

**CITY OF GAINESVILLE  
RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT**

**PARK FENCING GUIDELINES**

**MAJOR PARKS:** Westside, Northeast, TB McPherson, Fred Cone, Possum Creek, Greentree, Depot.

- Decorative Aluminum
- Placed along park frontage on major roadway
- Most expensive @ \$20 - \$25 per foot
- Most attractive
- Lifetime Warranty

**ATHLETIC FIELDS:** Backstops, Dugouts, Homerun & Sideline

- Green Vinyl Chain Link
- Minimum Height 6'
- Homerun Fencing covered with Tennis Screening
- Most reliable and practical for activity
- Cost \$10 - \$15 per foot
- Heavy duty & long life span w/ exception of tennis screens

**TENNIS FACILITIES:**

- Green Vinyl Chain Link
- Minimum 8' - 10'
- Covered with Green Tennis Screening
- Most reliable and practical for activity
- Cost \$15- \$18 per foot
- Heavy duty and long life span w/ exception of tennis screens

**POOL FACILITIES:**

- Blue Vinyl Chain Link
- Minimum 6' - 8'
- Covered with Blue Tennis Screening
- Most reliable and practical for activity. Very secure border.
- Cost \$10 - \$18 per foot
- Heavy duty and long life span w/ exception of tennis screens



### **TOT LOTS & MINI PARKS:**

- Black Vinyl Chain Link
- Minimum 4'
- Most reliable and practical for activity
- Cost \$8 per foot
- Heavy duty and long life span

### **WOOD BOLLARDS:**

- Utilize only in areas where high fencing vandalism has occurred
- Utilize a 6" x 6" standard size as traffic barriers within park boundaries if and where necessary
- Very effective with long life span
- Cost \$4 per foot
- Insure uniform height & vertical placement for aesthetics

### **NATURAL LANDSCAPING:**

- Non or Moderate Active Parks (Lynch, Springtree)
- Play area set back (Smokey Bear, Kiwanis Challenge)



Legislative History

4/8/2002	City Commission	Referred (5 - 0)	Community Development Committee
7/1/2002	Community Development Committee	Approved as Recommended (2 - 0)	
7/22/2002	City Commission	Approved, as shown above (5 - 0)	
8/6/2002	Community Development Committee	Approved as Recommended	
8/12/2002	City Commission	Approved as Recommended (5 - 0)	
9/3/2002	Community Development Committee	Approved as Recommended	
9/30/2002	City Commission	Approved, as shown above	

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**Award of Bid: Downtown Southwest Quadrant Parking Garage (B)**

*Explanation: The design work and bid process for the Downtown Southwest Quadrant Parking Garage has been completed. The first round of bids was opened on August 29, 2002. These bids all significantly exceeded the project budget and thus were rejected. Subsequently, several of the architectural design parameters and technical specifications for the parking garage were changed to reduce the cost of the project. For the second round of bids the project was bid with a base bid price and eight additive alternates.*

*The second round of bids was opened on September 26, 2002. The base bid plus additive alternates 1 and 4 through 8 yielded a low bid of \$9,355,500 submitted by the Tower Group. The base bid includes the building, streetscape work on the sidewalk adjacent to the garage, widening the sidewalk on the north side of SW 2nd Avenue between South Main Street and SW 1st Street, reconstruction of drainage facilities in streets adjacent to the garage, construction of a landscaped median with pedestrian crossing in SW 2nd Avenue between South Main Street and SW 2nd Street, reconstruction of curb and gutter on the four streets adjacent to the garage and milling and resurfacing of SW 2nd Avenue between South Main Street and SW 2nd Street.*

*Additive alternates 1 and 4 through 8 are essential components of the garage and need to be included in the project. These additives include:*

- 1 - shell work for the tenant space on the first floor*
- 4 - island on SW 2 Avenue*
- 5 - corrosion inhibitor*
- 6 - parking equipment*
- 7 - parking attendant booths*
- 8 - reinforced concrete pipe replacement*

*Additive alternates 2 and 3 are exterior architectural features that the City Commission needs to decide whether or not to include in the project. Additive alternate 2 is the exterior architectural metal grille that is installed on four*

sides of the building. It is part of the metal work that hides the view of the cars parked in the garage. Additive alternate 3 is the solar screen that is located at the top of the building on all four sides. It complements the architectural cap on the top of the building.

The schedule for construction is to break ground in November 2002 with completion in late fall of 2003. The new courthouse is scheduled to open to the public the first week of January 2004.

*Fiscal Note:* From all sources, the City currently has available for this project \$8,653,246. Anticipated costs based on the recommended bid award (\$9,355,500), architect and engineering fees (\$907,878), and public art (\$75,000) are \$10,338,378. The project thus has a deficit of \$1,685,132.

The current sources include \$619,810 of accumulated Urban Development Action Grant (UDAG) loan repayments. The City Commission has not committed future UDAG loan repayments for any project. The future payments will be \$156,751 for the next ten years and \$143,687 for the final year. This revenue stream will allow the City to borrow \$1,447,255 for the parking garage, reducing the deficit to \$237,877.

The \$237,877 deficit does not include any contingency. Staff recommends a construction contingency of five percent, which is \$467,775. The revised deficit is \$705,652.

Staff recommends transferring \$500,000 from the SW 2nd Avenue project, which is included in the 2002 Bond Issue. This would leave a deficit of \$205,652 that could be covered by a transfer from the anticipated FY 2002 General Fund balance, if needed, for the contingency.

A second alternative is to transfer the full \$705,652 from the Depot Avenue project in the 2002 Bond Issue. This project has been appropriated \$800,000 of bond funds.

**RECOMMENDATION** The City Commission: 1) receive a presentation from the consultant team on architectural options for the Downtown Southwest Quadrant Parking Garage; 2) award the construction contract for the Downtown Southwest Quadrant Parking Garage to the Tower Group at their low bid price of \$9,355,500, which includes Additive alternates 1,4,5,6,7,8; 3) authorize the City Manager to execute all appropriate contract documents; and 4) authorize the City Manager to negotiate a loan agreement with the First Florida Governmental Financing Commission.

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**Ad Hoc Committee on University Neighborhoods Implementing Recommendations (NB)**

*Explanation:* During fall 2000, the City Commission created the Ad Hoc Committee on University Neighborhoods, to assess what steps could be taken to better