



Transferring Management of Boulware Springs from GRU to GG

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City Commission – April 21, 2022

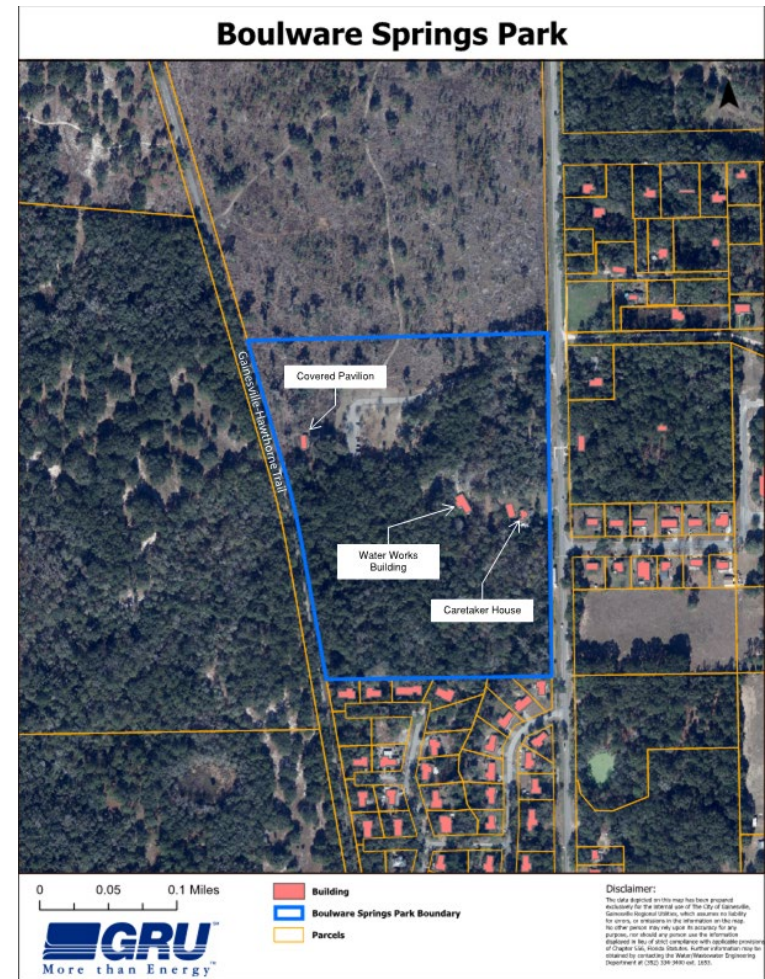
Boulware Springs Timeline

- 1898: Boulware pump house and spring supplies drinking water to city.
- 1905: Gainesville's water supply used to entice University of Florida to locate here.
- 1948: Boulware spring abandoned upon completion of a water treatment plant.
- 1985: Added to the National Register of Historic Places.
- 1990: Renovated to use as rental event space.
- 2020: Closed for public safety.



Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

- Best interest of City for GG to control Boulware and utilize to fullest potential.
- GRU will continue to operate and maintain per 2007 MOU through Sept. 30, 2022.
- GRU will oversee and fund demolition of caretaker house and coordinate removal of sediment from drainage area.
- GG assumes full responsibility and management on Oct. 1, 2022; revenues generated will offset operation and maintenance costs.



Rehabilitation of Water Works Facility

- On March 4, 2022, Wild Spaces & Public Places received direction from City Commission to begin renovation project encompassing both Boulware Springs Nature Park and the Boulware Springs Historic Water Works.
- Project update provided by WSPP at April 14th GPC



Fiscal Note

- No fee or asset transfer from GRU to GG.
- GG requesting an increment of \$30,000 in FY23 budget to operate and maintain facilities.
- Wild Spaces and Public Places program will fund site improvements.



Recommendation

- The City Commission approve the Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU), which transfers the operation and maintenance of Boulware Springs Historic Water Works facility structures and grounds in perpetuity from GRU to GG.

