

Infrastructure and Wild Spaces & Public Places Surtax

Project Update – Project Lists are under development

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Background

- 1% Surtax for Infrastructure and Wild Spaces & Public Places (WSPP)
- 0.5% for Infrastructure and 0.5% for WSPP
- Current referendum for WSPP is for 0.5% and expires 12/31/2024
- Countywide referendum
- Referendum held on November 8, 2022
- Staff working with neighbors and Commissioners to develop project lists for both Infrastructure and WSPP

NOTE: The project amounts listed in this presentation are only estimates.

Wild Spaces / Public Places – Current Surtax

Select Completed Projects	Select Projects Currently Underway	Select Future Improvements
Bo Diddley Plaza	Unity Park	NE 8 th Avenue & Waldo
Cedar Grove Park	Clarence R. Kelly Center	Cofrin Nature Center
Duval Park	Hoggetowne Creek Headwaters	Forest Park
Fred Cone Park	Ring Park	Tom Petty Park
Hippodrome Theatre	A. Quinn Jones Museum	Cora P. Roberson Park
Ironwood Golf Course	Boulware Springs	Smokey Bear Park
Reserve Park	Depot Park	Morningside Nature Center
Shade Structures	Oakview Park	Sweetwater Wetlands Park
SW 47 th Avenue Trail	Lincoln Yard Trail	Citywide Park ADA Upgrades
Thomas Center	Loblolly Woods	Albert “Ray” Massey Rec Center
Springtree Park	Northside Park	Woodland Park
Sharmie Pfar Park	Park Pavilion Replacements	Kiwanis Challenge Park
T.B. McPherson Park	Rosa B. Williams Center	San Felasco Park

<http://www.cityofgainesville.org/WildSpacesandPublicPlaces.aspx>

Community Input

- Tuesday, March 29th – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Center
- Tuesday, April 26th – Albert “Ray” Massey Community Center
- Monday, May 23rd – City Hall Auditorium
(Cancelled – to be rescheduled)

Road Project List

Repair & Maintain Existing Roads (Pavement Management Plan-PMP):

Major Projects include but not limited to:

- S.W. 39th Boulevard / 37th Boulevard Pavement Management
- N. Main Street north of 39th Avenue Pavement Management
- S.E. 4th Street / S.W. 22nd Avenue reconstruction
- N.W. 55th Street Pavement Management
- N.E. 8th Avenue Pavement Management

Total PMP Cost estimated at: \$ 54 million

Infrastructure Project List

- Public Infrastructure Projects (including but not limited too):
 - GFR Master Plan (\$113 million):
 - Fire Training Center
 - Fire Station 2
 - Fire Station 3
 - Fire Station 4
 - Fire Station 5
 - Fire Station 7
 - Fire Station 10
 - S.W. Public Safety Center (\$13 million):
 - Fire Station 9
 - GPD Substation
 - Public Works Department compound

Wild Spaces & Public Places Project List

- Wild Spaces:
 - Morningside Nature Center Improvements (\$2.6 million)
 - Sweetwater Wetlands Park Improvements (\$2.0 million)
 - Boulware Springs Nature Park Improvements (\$1.5 million)
 - Improve Bikeway and Trail Connections - Multiple Projects (\$4.0 million)
- Public Places:
 - Boulware Springs Historic Waterworks Improvements (\$1.5 million)
 - Albert “Ray” Massey Park Playground Improvements (\$500,000)
 - Thelma A. Boltin Center Improvements (\$1.0 million)
 - Waldo Road & 8th Avenue Project (\$6.0 million)
 - Cultural Arts Center (under review)
 - Sportsplex (under review)

Funding Allocations

Infrastructure & WS/PP 1% Surtax			
Funding Estimates:	Infrastructure		WS/PP
City of Gainesville (Total):	\$87,000,000		\$87,000,000
City of Gainesville (Annual):	\$8,700,000		\$8,700,000
One Time Allocations:			
County - City of Gainesville Shared:	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000
City Share of Countywide Allocation ¹ :	\$660,000		\$660,000

¹Based upon current WS/PP Agreement

Current Joint City-County Approved WS/PP Projects:

- Construction of the Prairie Tower at Sweetwater Wetlands Park;
- Improvements at Split Rock Preserve; and,
- Transformation of the Hartman House at Hoggetowne Creek Headwaters Nature Park into a Nature Center.

Infrastructure Surtax Oversight Board Changes

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners:

- Add 2 more members to the existing Oversight Board: an accountant / auditor and professional services rep (e.g. engineer).
- Meet and review expenditures quarterly.
- Staff liaison to report to the County Commission regarding the quarterly meetings with a financial report that summarizes all expenditures.
- Allow for pre-expenditure review and annual and specific audits for the Oversight Board.
- Review all surtax expenditures and that the changes be implemented immediately and not contingent upon the surtax referendum.
- Request municipalities certify that there was an audit and no findings.

Questions?