

### 8th & Waldo

**Project Status & Overview** 

**GCRA Advisory Board** 

May 18, 2021

- Project Lead: Office Capital Asset Planning & Economic Resilience (CAPER)
- Project Core Team: CAPER, GCRA, PRCA, GFR, Office of Equity & Inclusion, and, Office of Communications & Engagement.



#### **Site Overview**

- NW of the NE 8th Ave & Waldo Rd intersection
- ~36 acres City owned
- Variety of active uses on site, predominantly recreation, wellness, and safety
- Variety of stakeholders on and around the site

round the site

GCRA (~8 acres within project area)



#### **Process Overview**

Ongoing

Due Diligence & Feasibility Data

Anticipated: Fall 2021

**Community Engagement** 

Anticipated: Winter/Spring 2022

Data Integration & Presentations to GCRA Advisory Board and City Commission for Direction

Anticipated: Summer 2022 to 2024

**Planning** 

Anticipated: 2024-8

**Implementation** 

#### 1 Due Diligence & Feasibility Data

Ongoing

- Feasibility Data: Site Strengths? Constraints? What should Stay, What Can Be Redeveloped? Planned capital improvements on Site and in the area? Who are the Project Stakeholders? Other Considerations & Opportunities?
  - 1/2021: Survey to Staff Working Group, and outreach to partnering organizations (Alachua County, UF, UF Health, Santa Fe Community College, Colliers Int'l).
  - Feasibility Data findings reported in a 2/14/21 memo to the GCRA Advisory Board.
- Environmental Study. Phase 1 Environmental Assessment (ESA): 4/2021. ESA Phase 2 TBD.
- Market Analysis. TBD.
- Land Assembly. Ongoing effort:
  - **GFR Facility Relocation:** GFR needs, appropriate land identification, funding allocation, property acquisition, new facility funding, planning & construction
  - Land Acquisition: Purchase negotiations, funding allocation, and acquisition

#### 1 Due Diligence: Environmental Assessment

#### **Ongoing**

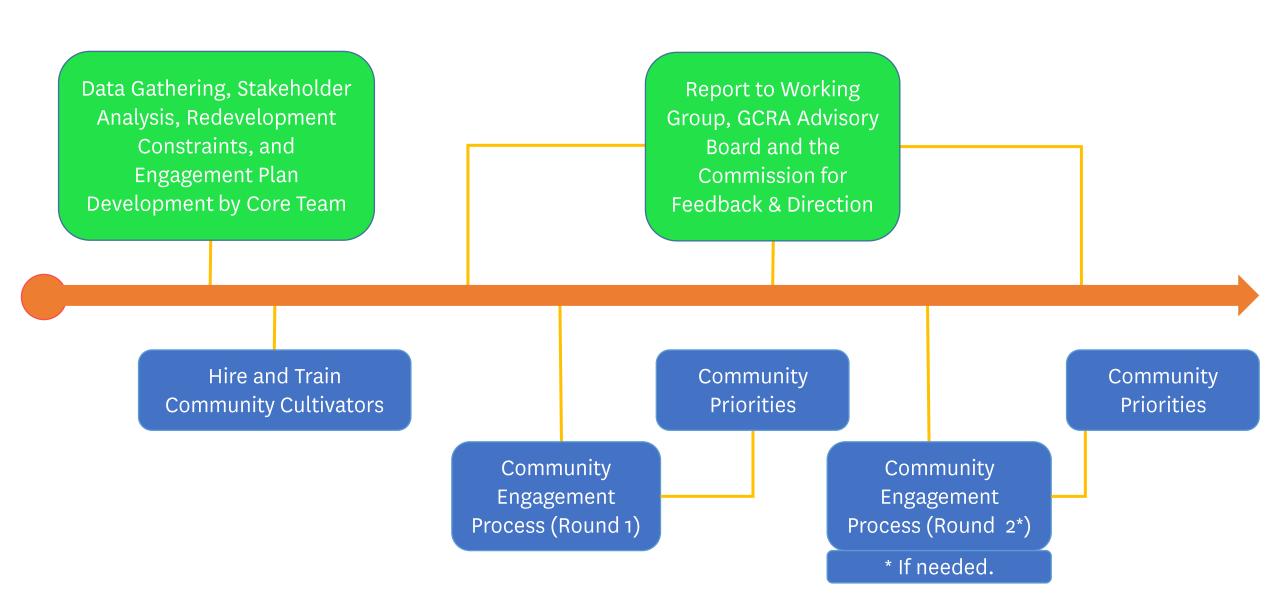
- 4/2021: Phase I Environmental Assessment (ESA) revealed evidence of recognized environmental conditions in connection with the property.
- A Phase II ESA is recommended to further investigate the Recognized Environmental Conditions (RECs) and potential RCESs documented during the Phase I ESA.
- The Phase II ESA will focus on the areas of concern west of NE 14th Street. No further environmental investigation is needed in Citizen Field Stadium or the GFR amenities.
- A Phase II ESA is anticipated to be delivered within 2-3 months of Task Assignment execution.
- Further TBD environmental investigation may be needed based on the future Phase II ESA findings.

#### 2 Community Engagement

- Community engagement to begin once feasibility data is clear.
- Community Engagement Strategy Brief by Staff.
- On-going engagement and outreach throughout the project duration.
- Engagement highlights:
  - Engagement Phase I: Preliminary Public Information-Gathering around Community Values and Priorities Methods & Process
  - Focus groups, one-on-one meetings, survey, open meetings/ listening sessions, draft report, final report
  - Community Cultivators
  - Engagement Phase II: Internal Engagement Reassessment and Next Steps. Regroup internally to assess how to proceed. Reassess goals, what's on the table to decide, and the future timeline.
  - Engagement Phase III: Return to community using methods TBD based on previous engagement feedback and priorities.

Anticipated: Fall 2021

#### 2 Community Engagement ~ Process Diagram



## 3 Data Integration + Presentations to governing boards for direction and funding

Anticipated: Winter/Spring 2022

- Integration of input received from the due diligence and the community engagement
- Presentation to the GCRA Advisory Board and City Commission for direction and funding.

#### 4 Planning

• Planning based on the input received from the community, and direction from GCRA Advisory Board and City Commission, develop site program, partnerships, funding, and layout.

Anticipated: Summer 2022 to 2024

- Community outreach continued.
- Work with GFR on facility relocation continued.

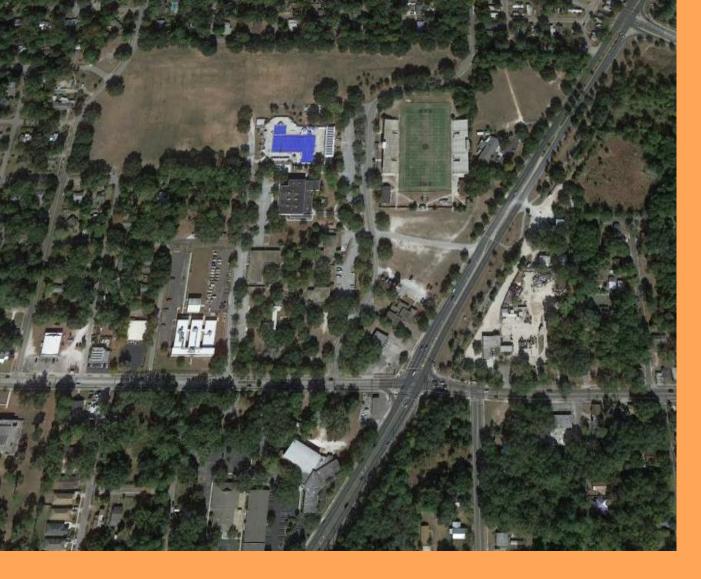
#### **5** Implementation

Anticipated: 2024-8

• Implementation of the various plan and program components TBD.

#### Recommendations

1. Hear staff update and provide feedback.



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### Thank you!

... Questions?

