

WELCOME

To the Greenwood Park + Baton Rouge Zoo Master Plan Meeting

Today's meeting is all about alternative concepts for the future Greenwood Park. Explore each concept, and share your thoughts!

Tell us what you like or dislike about each concept and what's missing. We will use this feedback to combine the three concepts into one draft master plan for Greenwood Park.

This meeting is an "Open House" format. That means you can explore the stations at your own pace. Members of the master planning team will be stationed around the room to answer any questions.

Know someone who couldn't make it to this meeting? The same opportunity for feedback is available through the online survey:

tinyurl.com/Greenwood-Survey2

TODAY'S OPEN HOUSE HAS 5 STATIONS TO EXPLORE:



What We Heard

See what themes and guiding principles came out of the feedback you gave over the winter.



Visit 3 Possible Greenwood Parks

Explore three alternative concepts for the future Greenwood Park.



Compare Across Concepts

Learn about the key ways the three alternatives differ from each other, and vote on what approaches you like best.



Digging Deeper

Learn about the potential impact to golf, the economics of park development, and the connectivity opportunities surrounding the park.



Tell Us Anything

Have something you want to share? We're all ears: share whatever is on your mind at this open feedback station.



The Zoo!

Interested in what would the new zoo look like? Visit the Zoo Room next door!

Introduction

WHO IS INVOLVED IN THE MASTER PLAN?



Building on previous plans and community input, design consultants for Greenwood Park and the Baton Rouge Zoo will be working with BREC to create an imaginative and grounded vision for the park and zoo as well as economic development strategies for the immediate surrounding area.

You are an important part of our collaborative team. This inclusive master planning process will engage the community of East Baton Rouge Parish all along the way, including deep engagement with the city's leadership, key stakeholders, and the broader community.

WHAT IS THE MASTER PLAN PROCESS?





WHAT WE HEARD

KEY IDEAS THAT EMERGED FROM YOUR FEEDBACK AND SITE ANALYSIS

Thank you for your feedback!

Your feedback provided the foundation of the three design concepts you will see today. The common themes identified through community feedback and site analysis pointed to four guiding principles for the park. The guiding principles are the foundation for all of the design concepts.

"Bring the community back to nature."

Common Theme 2019 online survey comments Top preferred program pick: "CONSERVATION AREA / NATURE TRAILS"

2015 Greenwood Park survey

MANY CONTRIBUTING VOICES

685 SURVEY RESPONSES

202

MAP RESPONSES

MEETING SIGN-IN'S

609 Online Responses

76 Passports (Paper Survey)

171 Online Map Surveys (CoMap) Responses

> 31 Paper Map ...Surveys

40 Meeting 1

59 Meeting 2



TOP 5 DESIRED PROGRAMS

include both everyday and destination uses:

2019 online survey and open houses

- (1) Paths for Walking/Bicycling
- (2) Kid's Adventure Playground
- 3 Water Trails
- Aerial Sports
- **5** Wildlife Habitat

99% of respondents get to Greenwood Park by

2019 online survey and open houses

driving

"The park and zoo should be better connected."

Common Theme 2019 online survey comments

"Lets make this a place that Baton Rouge can be proud of.

Common Theme 2019 online survey and open houses

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK + SITE ANALYSIS THEMES

Top photos selected when asked **"WHAT KIND OF CHARACTER DO YOU WANT FOR GREENWOOD PARK?"** all embody a natural feel/style:



Greenwood Park can help with FLOOD STORAGE + WATER CLEANSING

for nearby communities and downstream Based on hydrological analysis

OVER 132 BIRD SPECIES

call Greenwood Park home Based on observations

logged on eBird

83%

of respondents visit the park a "few times a year" or "less frequently"

2019 online survey and open houses

47.3%

of sample households within a 3 mile radius of Greenwood Park say it is the park they visit the most

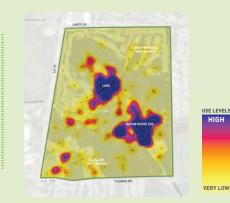
2015 Greenwood Park survey

"It should be a major attraction for locals and a must-visit site for tourists."

Common Theme 2019 online survey comments and open houses

"The park could be better served if it was easier to enter and better connected into local community."

> Common Theme 2019 online survey comments



Analysis of mapping survey results show concentrations of use are isolated from each other and from the surrounding neighborhood.

A MAJORITY OF THE PARK (~380 ACRES) HAS VERY LOW USE LEVELS.

2019 online map survey

The top reasons respondents across EBR and beyond have not visited Greenwood Park:

① "I'VE NEVER HEARD OF IT"

2 "I visit other parks instead"

(3) "I don't know what activities it has"

"This project should change the perception of North Baton Rouge."

2019 online survey and open houses

Common Theme 2019 online survey comments and open houses

The Park's Guiding Principles



Celebrate Louisiana's Nature

Embracing the ecology of Greenwood Park and creating sustainable opportunities for people to experience the landscape.



A Park for the Everyday and the Big Day

Providing a balance of everyday neighborhood amenities and destination activities that are a regional draw.



Open Up and Reach Out Providing physical connectivity for walkers, bikers, and drivers alike to make the park a connected heart of the parish.



Welcome and Grow

Putting community at the heart of the park's design and implementation.





- Cultural Core /Destination
 Adventure Play
- 2 Existing Waterfront Building
- 3 Cultural Institutions
- Picnic Area
- Eventing / Fairground / Soccer
 Fields / Overflow Parking
- Outdoor Music Venue
- Urban Farm

description description of

- 8 Neighborhood Uses
- Sculpted Landform
- Cross Country Loop
- 9-Hole Golf Course
- 2 Level Driving Range

- Disc Golf / Neighborhood Playground
- Waterfront Restaurants
- Welcome Lawn
- Kayak Rental
- Nature Observation Center
- 18 Zoo



Celebrating water, food, culture, and music, EBR's heart is packed with new activities and waterfront destinationsradiating new energy into the park and beyond.



Expanding the Greenwood Lake doubles the active waterfront. The land to the south embraced by the lake becomes a place for the main cultural and social activities. The higher water capacity also provides flood protection.





Concentrated in the center of the park new cultural destinations like an outdoor music venue and an adventure playground create a destination for everyone. Along the edges of the park, more neighborhood focus program like basketball courts and a dog park provide everyday uses for the current neighborhood residences.



Flexible Lakefront Open Space



Waterfront Trails

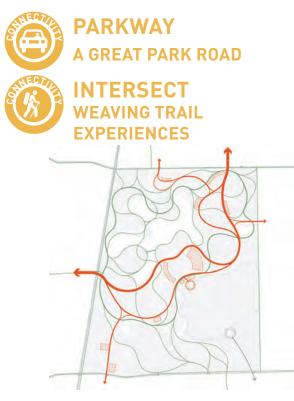


Destination Playground



Music or Movies Along Waterfront

1. http://ww



- The parkway connects the park and the neighborhood to the larger network, and provides scenic road experiences which are friendly to pedestrians and cyclists.
- •The nature trails are interconnected by a cross country loop and can be easily accessed from the neighborhood.



Parkway with parallel Parking



Pedestrian + Biker Friendly Parkway

Source: 1. http://www.chron.com/life/style/home-design/article/City-to-Broadacres-Photography-must-be-allowed-12425169.php 2. http://www.chron.com/life/style/home-design/article/City-to-Broadacres-Photography-must-be-allowed-12425169.php





The park is well buffered by the preserved forest while the highly programmed area is embraced in the center.

Within the buffer, the interactive landscape serves as a tool to learn about Louisiana's nature.



Learn about Louisiana Agriculture



Play with landform

Source: 1.http://www.garlieldfarm.com/urban-permaculture-design-cours 2. http://myk-d.com/projects/chicago-botanic-garden/



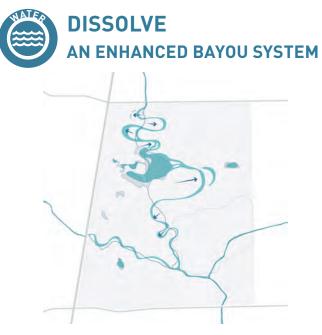
- Social Front Lawn
- 2 Existing Waterfront Building
- Improved Waterfront Playground D Bike Pump Track
- Greenwood Hill / Event Space
- **5** Sports Complex
- Indoor/Outdoor Recreation Uses
 Driving Range
- **7** Fishing Pier

- Multi-use Recreation Trail
- Disc Golf
- 9-Hole Golf Course
- Mini-Golf
- Rock Climbing

- **15** Community Garden
- Local History Institution
- Aerial Adventure (Zip-line)
- **1** Neighborhood Recreation Band
- Louisiana Nature Educating Trail
- Equestrian Trails
- 21 Zoo
- Children's Wild Water Splash Park



Enjoy a balanced park of ecology, active sports, and cultural amenities--all anchored along a central braided ribbon of a cultural trail and natural bayou landscapes.



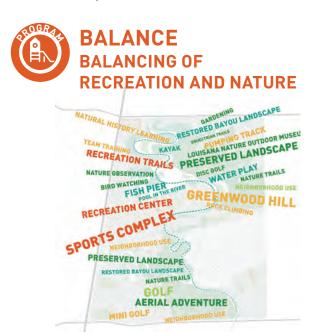
The existing bayous in Greenwood Park are channelized and artificial. Restoring the bayous to their natural form can revitalize biodiversity within the bayou habitats and benefit the regional ecosystem. The fully healed bayous are also living natural museums revealing a side of Louisiana's intricate hydrology.



Restore the Natural Bayou Habitat



Fishing



The west side of Greenwood has more active and recreational uses, while the east side has more nature related programs.

The east and west uses are permeating Along the natural form of the bayous, which create unique experiences with both ecological and recreational features.



Active Sports



Water Play

1.https://www.nymetroparents.com/event/Brooklyn-Bridge-ParkPier-2-2018-06-05-2018-0 2.https://www.archileworr.com/project/2/2110/asleru/249766



- •A loop road entering from LA-19 allows visitors to easily experience the whole park. Several small entrances make the park open to the neighborhood as well.
- The trails simulate the natural form of the bayous and create diverse spaces in between. The trails have different uses through the different zones.



Festival Walks



Multi-use Recreational Trails





The soft bayou edges provide a floodable landscape that allow the park and adjacent neighborhoods to be resilient during future storm events.



Adventurous Exploration



Passive Nature Exploration

1.http://www.sasaki.com/project/83/Cincinnati%20John%20G.%20and%20Phyllis%20W.%20Smale%20Riverfront%20Par 2. http://cnw.state.co.us/placestono/parks/StateEnrest



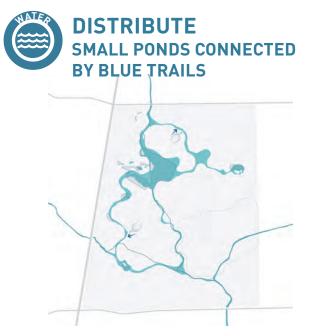
- Adventure Play
- 2 Existing Waterfront Building
- 3 Picnic Core
- Forest Adventure Center
 (Biking, X-Country Hub)
- Lake Adventure Center (Water Recreation Hub)
- O Prairie Landscape
- Aerial Adventure Center (Zipline, Tree-top Adventure Hub)
- Eco-Lodge/Overnight Camping
- Disc Golf
- 9-Hole Golf Course
- Driving Range

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- 12 Eco Education
- 13 Birding/ Observation Tower
- Community Garden
- Neighborhood Uses
- Animal Sculpture Garden
- Canopy Walk
- 18 Zoo



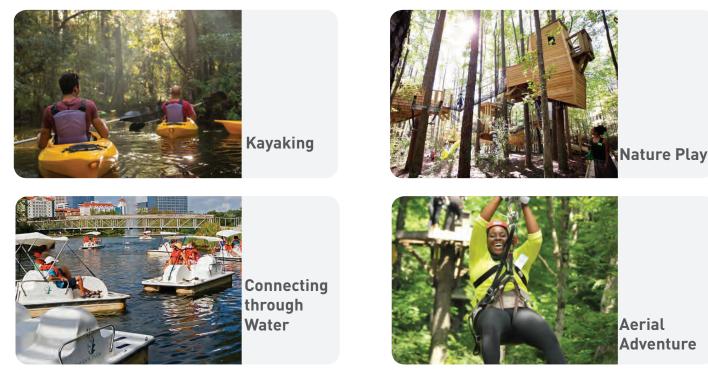
Amid a natural tapestry of water, woods, and meadows, explore a "constellation" of outdoor activities. Discover forest and aerial adventures, immersive trails, wild play, and wildlife - each nestled within a true Louisiana landscape.



Rooted by an existing water system and land topography, several new water channels are created. The waterways provide great connectivity across the park and creates new islands and landforms for visitors to explore.



Featuring "adventures in nature", the activities and programs are widely distributed in the park enclosed by the preserved forest and connected through the blue trails.



https://www.tripadvisor.ca/LocationPhotoDirectLink-g49092-i260487278-Durham_North_Carolina.ht



- Multiple access points in the park direct visitors to various programs. These access roads are connected by smaller winding roads inside.
- The trails are the main connectors between different programs. Off of the main connectors are several smaller trails that provide immersive experiences in the forest.



Nature Immersive Roadway



Exploring Trails





Serving as the "sky" for the constellations, the preserved forest, meadow and wetlands are the palette for the park. The new waterways create diverse types of

The new waterways create diverse types of habitats, enrich biodiversity and provide various ways for people to observe the wildlife and enjoy nature.



Discovery + Adventure



Health + Meditation

1.https://www.raftingcolorado.com/colorado-aerial-park/aerial-park-photo-video-galle 2. http://www.landezine.com/index.pho/2015/10/ika-meditation-spot/

Compare the Three Design Concepts

	EXISTING CONDITION	OBR'S HEART	BRAIDED BAYOU	ECO CONSTELLATION
PRESERVATION AREA* / PROGRAMMED AREA*	Preservation- 352 Ac Programmed - 218 Ac	Preservation- 430 Ac Programmed - 140 Ac	Preservation- 455 Ac Programmed - 115 Ac	Preservation- 450 Ac Programmed - 120 Ac
PROGRAMS	Golf Rec Nature Culture	Rec Golf Culture Nature	Golf Rec Nature Culture	Golf Culture Nature
MILES OF ROADWAY	1.3 Miles	4 Miles	3.6 Miles	3.7 Miles
LAKE SIZE / WATER TRAILS		· * ·	en en	and the second
TRAIL LENGTH	16 Acres / 0 Miles	48 Acres / 1.6 Miles	28 Acres / 2.4 Miles	29 Acres / 2.7 Miles
SIGNIFICANT CAPITAL INVESTMENTS	 Existing Waterfront Building Existing Waterfront Playground Existing Dam 	 Expanded Lake Adventure Play Outdoor Music Venue Waterfront Restaurant Fairgrounds Nature Observation Center 	 Bayou Restoration Sports Complex Mini Golf Cultural History Institution Adventure Play Aerial Adventure 	 Blue Trails Expansion Adventure Play Lake Adventure Center Eco- Lodge Aerial Adventure Canopy Walk

*Preservation Area: Preserving and nurturing nature's wonders including forest, meadow, wetland etc. *Programmed Area: Highly used areas hold various activities including but not limited to indoor and outdoor sports and events.

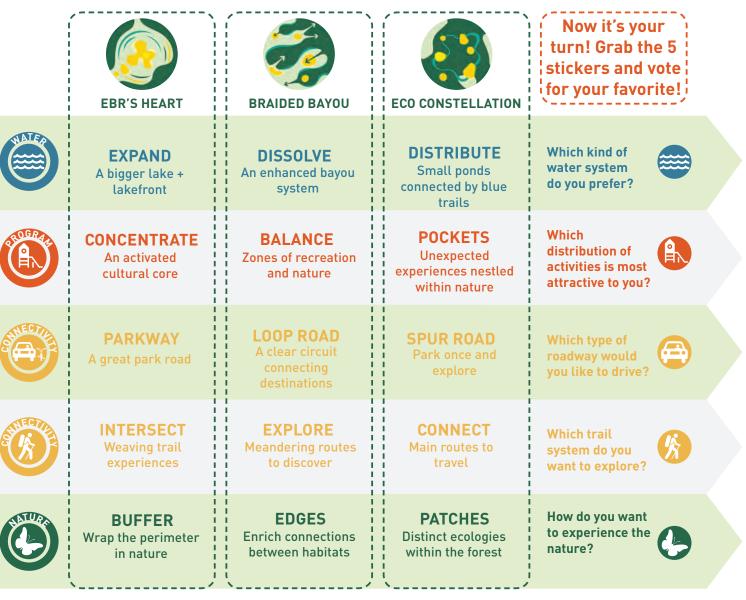


YOUR TURN! SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK ON

EACH OPTION

Take your turn!

Now you've visited 3 Greenwood Parks. All three parks provide great experiences, but each of them has their unique story to share. What experiences do you want the future Greenwood Park to have?



Remember, not everything is different in the 3 parks. Here is what they have in common:

- 🚯 Playground / Water Splash Pad
- Community Recreation Use
- Food & Beverage Amenities
- 🚯 Open Lawn
- 🚯 Disc Golf
- 🚯 Tennis
- 🚯 Dog Park

- 🚯 9-hole Golf Course
- Picnic Area
- Adventure Play
- Community Garden
- Nature Restoration &
- Preservation
- Wildlife & Bird Habitat
- Kayak / Water sports
- 🛞 Trails and Paths



A BIGGER



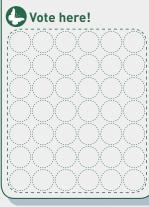
Imagine hanging out with friends and family on the waterfront boardwalk. There are lots of new areas to explore by kayak or to quietly fish.







Imagine a park center surrounded by nature where you can learn about natural systems in a fun and interactive way. Helping out at the community farm or playing on the sculpted landforms are just two ways to jump in.







Imagine driving or biking along a parkway lined with live oaks. There are plenty of shady places to park and a great trail system adjacent to the road.







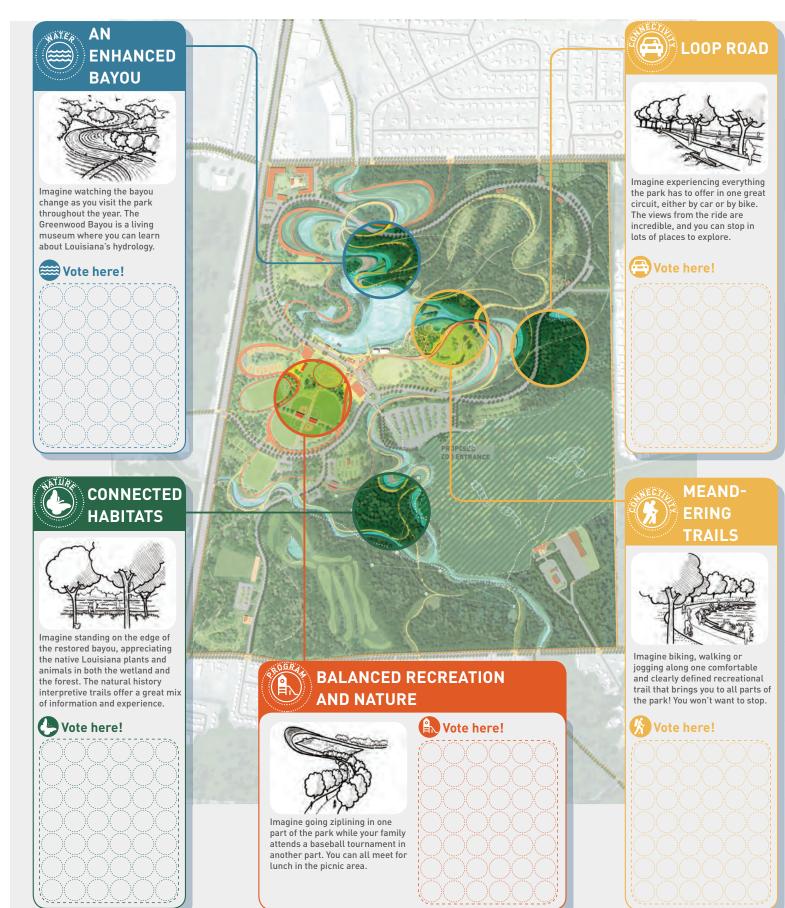


Imagine coming for a walk in the park every day - there are so many different routes to take and each junction brings a new adventure!

👔 Vote here!













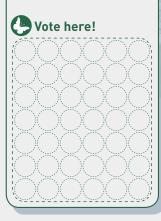
Imagine coming to the park to spend the whole day kayaking. Using the bayous as trails lets you experience the landscape in a whole new way, and there are so many ponds to discover.

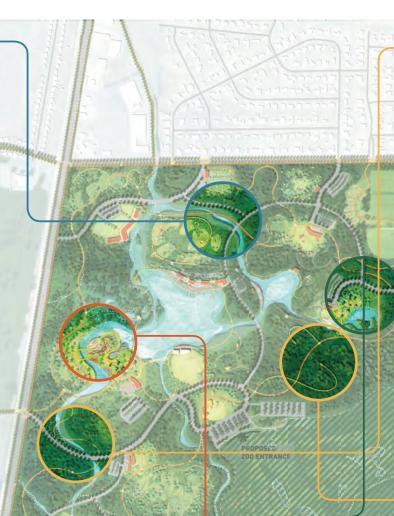
Bote here!





Imagine escaping to an authentic Louisiana landscape. You'll feel so far away from the city, and can discover so many plants and animals native to our different habitats.









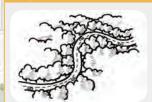
Imagine a school or work retreat at the BREC camp or having adventures with your family on the high ropes. Greenwood Park is the place to create treasured memories of experiences in nature.

🔒 Vote here!

IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES



SPUR ROADS



Imagine arriving at a different entrance every time you come to the park. It's quick to find a place to park and explore by bike or on foot!









Imagine you can leave your car behind and use the trails as your main method to get around the park. Since most people park on the edges, you can enjoy the park without worrying about the next street crossing.

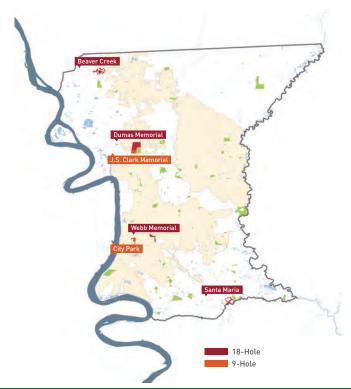
Vote here!





DIGGING DEEPER

Golf Courses



J.S. Clark

• 9-holes

• Driving range

• Hosts the First Tee program

Foot golf courseReceived recent improvements

• Received recent improvements TOTAL BREC SUBSIDIES FOR...

Each Round Played (2018)

-\$25.93

One Average Year (2013-2018)

-\$130,267

The Past 6 Years (2013-2018)

-\$781,604

Each Round Played (2018)

• 18-holes

-\$42.11

Dumas

• Lacks formal irrigation system

One Average Year (2013-2018)

-\$481,002

-\$2,886,009

The Past 6 Years (2013-2018)

GOLF PROGRAM SUMMARY + POTENTIAL IMPACT

GOLF-RELATED Program

EBR's Heart

Braided Bayou

Eco-Constellation

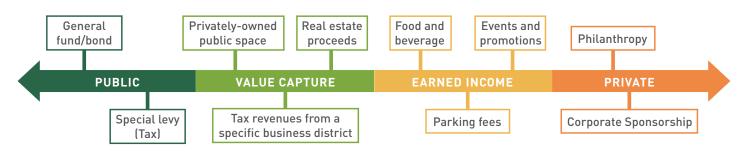
IMPACT OF ADDING MORE GOLF FACILITIES

PROGRAM	Physical Impact: Additional 9 Holes	Program Impact: + Added — Removed
 A 9-hole golf facility with improvements 2-level driving range 9-hole disc golf Associated parking 		 9-holes of golf (Total: 18 holes) The First Tee Outdoor music venue West portion of lake expansion Social/event lawn Restored forest land
 A 9-hole golf facility with improvements Driving range 9-hole disc golf 18-hole mini golf Associated parking 		 9-holes of golf (Total: 18 holes) The First Tee Sports complex Recreation center Social front lawn Cultural institute / training center Restored forest land
 A 9-hole golf facility with improvements Driving range 18-hole disc golf Associated parking 		 9-holes of golf (Total: 18 holes) The First Tee Adventure play area Eco-education center Natural play area Restored forest land

Park Operations

A SPECTRUM OF PARK FUNDING OPTIONS

There is a spectrum of ways that parks can be funded. We are working to find the right mix of funding sources and approaches, great parks successfully and sustainably operate:



LEARNING FROM OTHER SUCCESSFUL PARKS

SHELBY FARMS

Memphis, TN - 4,500 acres

How does it operate?

- Capital funding came primarily from philanthropy and grants
- Shelby Farms Park Conservancy is in charge of operations & maintenance, fundraising, & programming
- Unique tiered membership program supports operations

What is its funding source?

- 18% Public Sector
- 34% Earned Income
- 48% Philanthropy





FOREST PARK

St. Louis, MO - 1,293 acres

How does it operate?

- Conservancy is in charge of fundraising, managing capital projects, and an increasing portion of operations & maintenance
- Operations & maintenance is funded by philanthropy
- Capital funding came from a city bond

What is its funding source?

- 30% Fundraising and Contributions
- 67% Endowment and Return on Investments
- 3% Other Income





BUFFALO BAYOU PARK

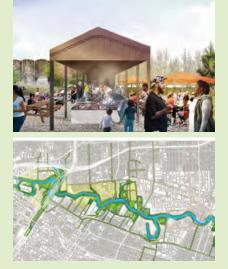
Houston, TX - 160 acres

How does it operate?

- Early-stage capital funding will come in large part from philanthropy
- Buffalo Bayou Partnership will be responsible for operations & maintenance, fundraising, capital improvements
- Operations & maintenance funding will come from public sources, earned income, and value capture

What is its funding source?

- 89% Value Capture
- 5% Public Sector
- 4% Earned Income
- 2% Contributed Income



Connectivity

NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS

Part of making Greenwood Park a vibrant and exciting park destination is to consider how people get there: by car, on bicycles, and on foot. Through analysis of existing conditions, the surrounding context, and relevant city-wide plans, the Master Plan has identified Park Connectors, which are key street segments for streetscape improvements to allow more people to have a delightful and convenient way to arrive at Greenwood Park. These improvements would be implemented through partnerships among multiple agencies in the City and Parish.

Priority Park Connector

Improvements for Priority Park Connectors will create a more walkable and bikeable condition for pedestrians, and create a gateway experience that leads people towards Greenwood Park.

Secondary Park Connector

Improvements for Secondary Park Connectors will focus on completing sidewalk connections and creating walkable offstreet paths to allow more people to have convenient access to the park.

Trail Connections

Building off existing trail planning this master plan will identify priorities to position Greenwood as part of a larger green network.

→ Existing Park Entrance

- 🔶 Proposed Additional Entrance
- Priority Park Connector
- Secondary Park Connector



Park



ENVISION A NEW GATEWAY TO THE PARK AND ZOO!

GREENWOOD GATEWAY

Sidewalks and a bike lane connect down to Southern University. Street trees lighting and signage mark that you are entering the Greenwood Parkway. At the I-110 and Highway 19 Intersection a Gateway Marker points you to the Zoo!

THE PARKWAY

Reforested edges visually buffer the adjacent industrial lands while an off-street trail allows for bikers and pedestrians to connect with Greenwood Park. As you get closer to the Park and Zoo signage and lighting guide your way!

PARK PROMENADE

Reforested edges visually buffer the adjacent industrial lands while shaded sidewalks and a bike lane meander through the park. Signage, lighting, and street trees create a visual motif that you are at Greenwood Park.

THE BAKER GATEWAY

Sidewalks and a bike lane connect up into Baker. Street trees lighting and signage mark that you are entering the Greenwood Parkway. At the Groom Rd and Highway 19 Intersection a Gateway Marker points you to the Zoo!

NORTHERN PARKWAY

Strategic street tree planting and an offstreet trail connect cyclist north towards Zachary and create a more pleasant drive along Highway 19.



Connectivity

ESTABLISHING GREAT EDGES

EXISTING



The existing park edges along Greenwood Park do not support active modes of transportation or healthy living options. There are limited sidewalks, trees, and other amenities that you have said that you wanted! We are currently working with BREC and other partners to understand the opportunities and constraints for the three main edges.

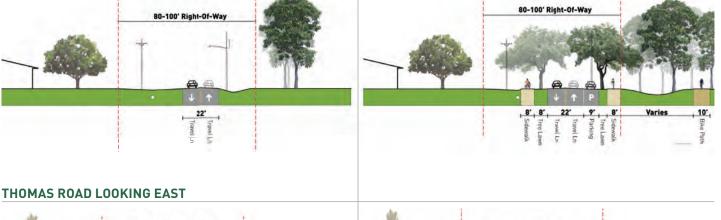
LAVEY LANE LOOKING EAST

PROPOSED



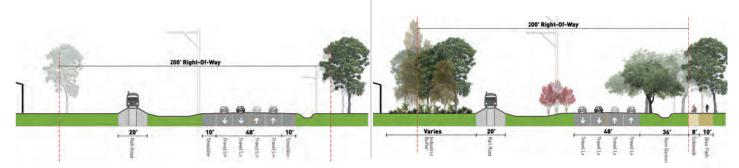


The future vision for the edges of the park is born out of conversations with you and our initial analysis that was presented at the last public meeting. The main goal is to provide a visual identity for the park, while creating safe and comfortable places for pedestrians and bikers utilizing vegetation, pathways, signage and other means to create a great place.





HIGHWAY 19 LOOKING NORTH



TELL US ANYTHING

Want to answer these questions later? Or know someone who couldn't make it to this meeting?

TAKE THE SURVEY ONLINE: tinyurl.com/Greenwood-Survey2

Have a question? Let us know by filling out a card at the check-in table.