

VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA PARKS MASTER PLAN



Our Parks

Our Values

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Village of Tequesta initiated the preparation of its first Parks Master Plan in October 2021. The proposed Parks Master Plan, “Our Parks Our Values,” is founded on extensive community input, and it will serve as a long-term strategic road map to guide improvements to the Village’s parks.

There are many benefits to creating a Village-wide Parks Master Plan. Investing in parks enhances the quality of life for all residents from children to senior residents and strengthens the residents’ sense of community. Parks promote physical activity and improve mental wellbeing; they also increase real estate values and reduce air pollutants.

The Parks Master Plan is organized in the following five (5) chapters:

1. Introduction
2. Proactive Public Participation Program (4Ps)
3. Conceptual Designs
4. Final Remarks
5. Appendices

Chapter 1 – Introduction – Chapter 1 identifies the goals of the Parks Master Plan and evaluates the demographics and socio-economic indicators of the Village population. This chapter includes existing and projected data on population, household type, population age and race, education attainment and housing tenure. In summary, the data shows that Tequesta is a well-educated community with a growing number of families with young children; it has a high rate of homeownership which provides stability for residents and businesses. These demographic trends highlight the importance of parks for the Village’s existing and future residents.

Chapter 2 – Proactive Public Participation Program (4Ps) – The Parks Master Plan is based on information obtained by public outreach and community engagement. The goal was to listen to residents and prepare a Plan based on their vision, ideas and feedback. This chapter provides a summary of the community outreach efforts which included surveys, interviews, public meetings, information kiosks at Village events, and “open houses” held to explore design ideas. More than 200 participants responded to the Community Survey which elicited input in terms of preference for each park, priorities for park investment and other qualitative information.

Chapter 3 – Conceptual Designs – Based on the residents’ vision and ideas obtained from the survey, three (3) conceptual design options were prepared for each Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park. Then, multiple “open houses” were held to elicit the residents’ preferences regarding amenities and the design itself. The Project Team processed all the input received from the community and designed a proposed conceptual plan for Remembrance and Tequesta Parks. This chapter includes all the design option graphics and proposed conceptual designs.

Chapter 4 – Final Remarks – Our Parks Our Values Master Plan reflects the vision of the Village’s residents. The plan will serve as a roadmap for a long-term strategy and funding opportunities to improve and develop the Village parks. This chapter includes the proposed conceptual designs for Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park. It also summarizes recommendations for additional parks and open spaces. The Master Plan will facilitate applications for grants, since it is based on a village-wide community participation process. Most importantly, the Parks Master plan provides information that will allow to budget park initiatives into the Village’s capital improvement program.

Chapter 5 – Appendices – This chapter includes community surveys and notes that were taken at the public events. Additional photos and documents are also presented in this section.



CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Parks Master Plan Goals

Parks master planning is a comprehensive process that provides guidance and policy direction to local government decision makers. The planning process, which engages residents and stakeholders, provides a foundation for understanding and responding to the vision and needs of the community. The process involves strategically examining the community's existing facilities and assessing future needs. Studies indicate that planning for parks facilities attracts economic development, promotes active lifestyles, and builds healthy communities.

Our Parks Our Values Master Plan is based on extensive community feedback and will serve as a roadmap for the long-term development of the Village's parks program. In essence, the purpose of this parks master plan is to develop a comprehensive vision for a park system in the context of its location, natural resources, and vision of the community. This Plan will serve as a framework for the long-term use of the park facilities in a manner that is consistent with the Village's comprehensive plan and policy agenda.

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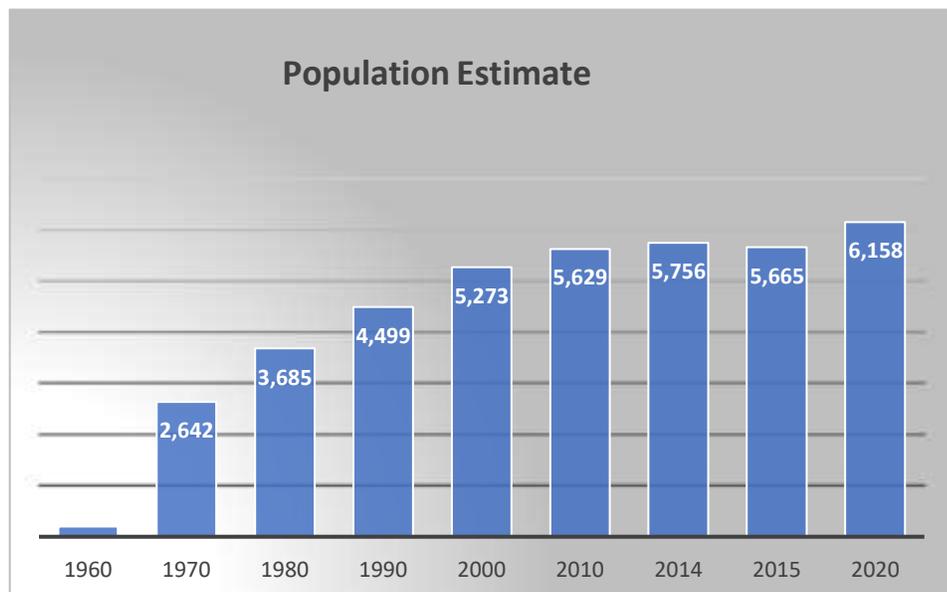
1.2. Demographics and Trends

This section analyzes demographics and socioeconomic indicators as part of the Parks Master Plan including population, household type, age, race, ethnicity, and educational attainment of the Village of Tequesta residents.

Population

Table 1 presents historic population trends for the Village of Tequesta. Incorporated in 1957, the Village experienced rapid growth during the sixties and seventies. Large industries arrived to this northern area of Palm Beach County during this time, which resulted in the development of multiple subdivisions to accommodate the growing workforce due to new job opportunities. Throughout the 1980, 1990s, and 2000s, the Village experienced a steady population increase. However, the growth rate was on a steady decline as the Village became almost fully developed. Besides potential development and redevelopment opportunities on the few remaining vacant lots, it is not expected to see much more significant increases to the population from new development. According to the Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) of the University of Florida, the population of the Village had increased to 6,158 people by 2020.

Table 1. Historic Population Trends



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau accessed February 2, 2022; 1980 & 1990 Decennial Census; Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR), University of Florida 2010 U.S. Census

Population Projections

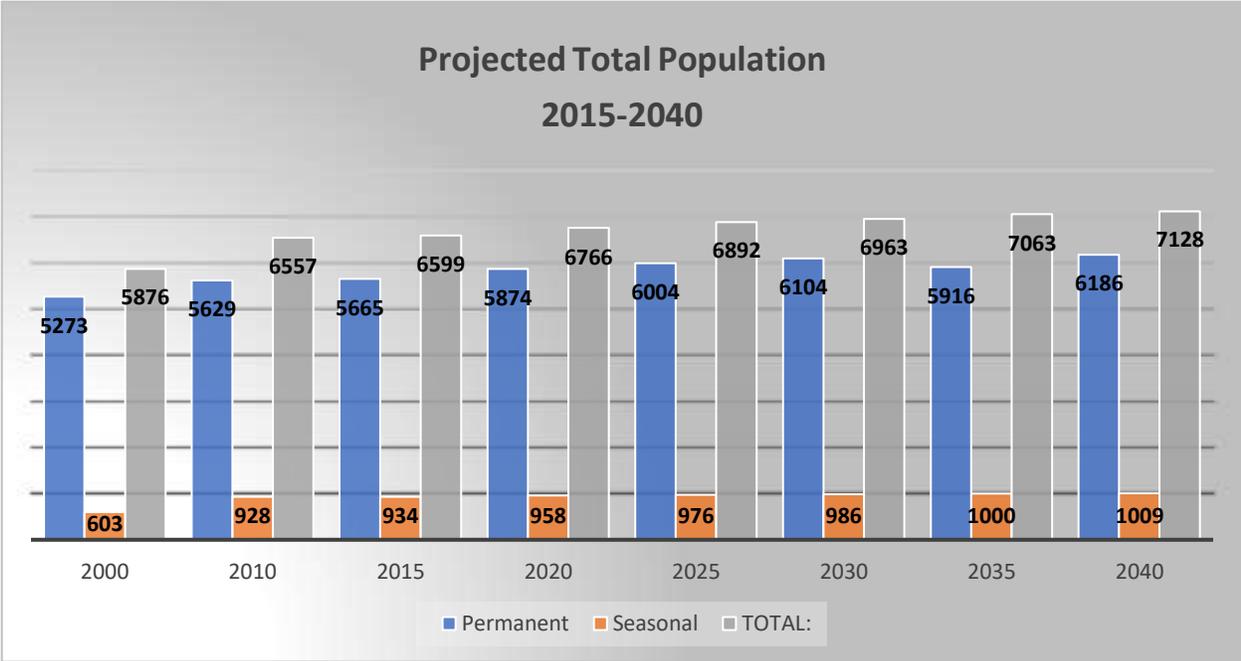
As indicated in Table 2, the most recent estimate of the permanent population for the Village is 6,186 residents for 2040, according to the Shimberg Center for Housing Studies Clearing, which are based on University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) and the center's housing data. Seasonal population presented an actual increase of 325 people between the last decennial censuses. That represented a 54% increase in seasonal residents. That growth coincided with a peak in Condo construction where the majority of seasonal residents own or rent property today.

Since then, the Village has essentially reached a built-out status. It has been assumed that seasonal population may continue to grow but at the same pace of the permanent population. Table 2 presents a total population, including seasonal, of 7,128 people for the year 2040.

Therefore, both permanent and seasonal populations are expected to remain stable over the next 20 years given the built-out status mentioned above, unless the Village chooses to pursue a new major annexation program, which has been rejected in the recent past by residents of those areas, or attract considerable higher density redevelopment in the future.

In conclusion, Table 2 presents actual population growth increase between the last two decennial censuses. Since then, the Village has experienced very little population growth, which is estimated to continue, as shown in the projected population 2015-2040. A factor that has certainly contributed to the Village’s slowing growth rate is the lack of available land for new development. Future estimated population growth could be accommodated in the remaining vacant land, potential annexation of unincorporated enclaves scattered throughout the Village, or potential redevelopment of existing areas.

Table 2. Projected Total Population, Village of Tequesta, 2015-2040



Sources: University of Florida Bureau of Economic and Business Research, Population Projections; U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 and 2010 Decennial Census; Palm Beach County Planning Zoning & Building Department: 2016 County Profile-2010 Seasonal figure for Tequesta; Shimberg 2010-40 projections, Accessed Nov 16,2021.

This section examines the socioeconomic characteristics of the population. The following analysis is based on the American Community Survey (ACS) of the U.S. Census Bureau, which includes estimates based on a sample of households over a 9-year period. The data provided by the ACS allows for an in-depth analysis of socioeconomic variables and trends. The following tables reflect the most recent data provided by the ACS and are organized in columns, representing a 9-year period from 2010 to 2019.

Table 3 presents the number of households and persons per household according to the American Community Survey (ACS) from the U.S. Census Bureau. A household is defined as the person or persons occupying a dwelling unit. As the average household size decreases, the number of households or required dwelling units increases relative to the population. Due to several factors, average household size is decreasing throughout the United States. These factors include families having fewer children and delaying the birth of children; young adults no longer living with parents but moving out on their own, and older persons living longer independently and not returning to their children in their later years. Combined, these factors have led to a decrease in the average household size. Conversely, the average household size in the Village of Tequesta shows a slight decrease from 2.27 to 2.26 between 2010 and 2019, as indicated in Table 3.

Table 3. Household by Type

Households by Type	Village of Tequesta			
	2010		2019	
	Estimate	Percent	Estimate	Percent
Total Households	2,490	(X)	2,684	(X)
Family households (families)	1,567	62.9%	(X)	(X)
With own children under 18 years	590	23.7%	(X)	(X)
Married-couple family	1,281	51.4%	1,397	52.0%
With own children under 18 years	438	17.6%	410	15.3%
Male householder, no wife present, family	90	3.6%	405	15.1%
With own children under 18 years	50	2.0%	30	1.1%
Female householder, no husband present, family	196	7.9%	793	29.5%
With own children under 18 years	102	4.1%	81	3.0%
Nonfamily households	923	37.1%	953	37.8%
Householder living alone	824	33.1%	621	23.1%
65 years and over	414	16.6%	392	4.6%
Households with one or more people under 18 years	653	26.2%	531	19.8%
Households with one or more people 60 years and over	1021	41.0%	1,180	44.0%
Average Household Size:	2.27	(X)	2.26	(X)%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2010 5-Year American Community Survey & 2019 5-Year American Community Survey.

Population Age

Table 4 shows the numerical and percentage breakdown of the Village’s population by age in 2010 and 2019 according to the American Community Survey (ACS) from the U.S. Census Bureau.

The 45-54-year-old age group is the largest in both years (16.7% and 15.2%). In both 2010 and 2019, the second largest age group was 65-74-year-olds. However, the population in this age group decreased between 2010 and 2019, from 15.5% to 14.5%. Overall, Tequesta's population 65 and over has decreased, and the most growth has been in the 45 to 59-year age groups. Table 4 also indicates that the number of children under 5 years old increased from 1.9% to 2.9%.

Table 4. Population Age

Population by Age	Village of Tequesta			
	2010		2019	
	Estimate	Percent	Estimate	Percent
Total Population	5,642	(X)	6,071	(X)
Male	2,669	47.3%	3,082	49.2%
Female	2,973	52.7%	2,989	50.8%
Under 5 years	106	1.9%	179	2.9%
5 to 9 years	366	6.5%	308	5.1%
10 to 14 years	381	6.8%	359	5.9%
15 to 19 years	310	5.5%	337	5.6%
20 to 24 years	230	4.1%	311	5.1%
25 to 34 years	393	7.0%	455	7.5%
35 to 44 years	642	11.4%	463	7.6%
45 to 54 years	941	16.7%	922	15.2%
55 to 59 years	465	8.2%	605	10.0%
60 to 64 years	301	5.3%	358	5.9%
65 to 74 years	872	15.5%	878	14.5%
75 to 84 years	512	9.1%	547	9.1%
85 years and over	123	2.2%	349	5.7%
Median age (years)	49.3	(X)	52.7	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2010 5-Year American Community Survey & 2019 5-Year American Community Survey.

Population Race

Tables 5 and 6 present the racial characteristics of the Village’s population according to the American Community Survey (ACS) from the U.S. Census Bureau. At 95.5%, the largest portion of the population in the Village of Tequesta is White. While the White population decreased between 2010 and 2019, the second largest race population, Hispanic or Latino (of any race), increased from 6.3% to 8.2%. The Village’s Asian population also increased from 1.8% to 2.1% between 2010 and 2019.

Table 5. Population Race

Population by Race	Village of Tequesta			
	2010		2019	
	Estimate	Percent	Estimate	Percent
	5,642	(X)	6,071	(X)
Total Population	5,412	95.9%	5,744	94.6%
White				
Black or African American	35	0.6%	20	0.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0	0.0%	11	0.2%
Asian	101	1.8%	130	2.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Some other race	43	0.8%	158	2.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2010 5-Year American Community Survey & 2019 5-Year American Community Survey.

Table 6. Population Origin and Race

Population by Origin & Race	Village of Tequesta			
	2010		2019	
	Estimate	Percent	Estimate	Percent
Total Population	5,642	-	6,071	-
White alone	5,463	96.8%	5,797	95.5%
Black or African American alone	35	0.6%	20	0.3%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	355	6.3%	500	8.2%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	27	0.5%	19	0.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Asian alone	101	1.8%	130	2.1%
Some other race alone	0	0.0%	158	2.6%

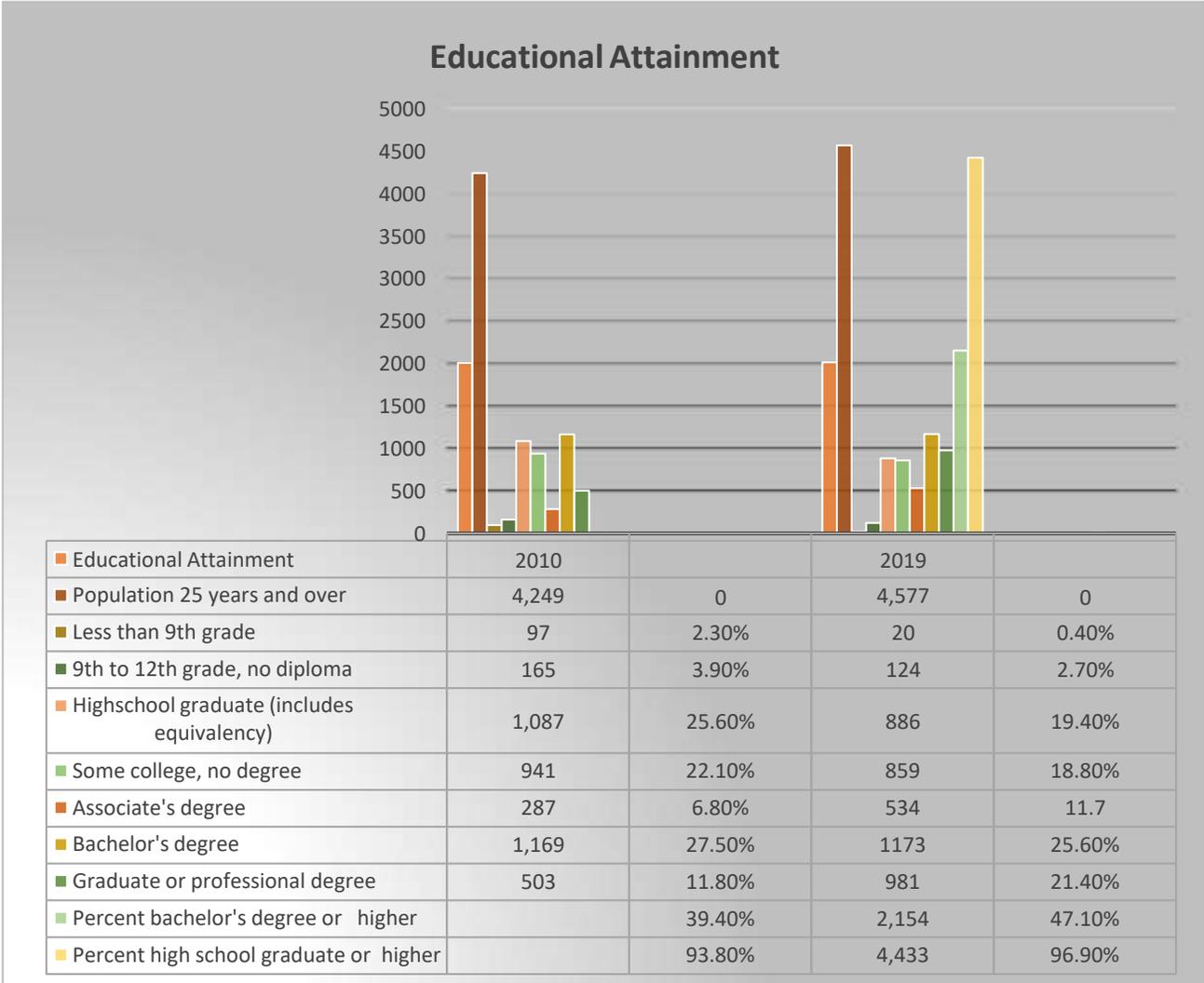
Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2010 5-Year American Community Survey & 2019 5-Year American Community Survey.

Education

Table 7 indicates the education attainment level of the Village’s population according to the American Community Survey (ACS) from the U.S. Census Bureau. Achievement levels are broken down into different categories. The college level groups are further broken down to show those that had some college (no degree), an associate’s degree, a bachelor’s degree, and a graduate or professional degree. Achievement levels recorded are the highest level (years completed) reached by an individual.

According to Table 7, 93.8% of the population had a high school diploma or higher educational level in the 2010 period. The Village of Tequesta experienced a small increase to 96.9% in the period 2019. Within the Village, the number of individuals with a graduate or professional degree increased from 11.8% in 2010 to 21.4% in 2019.

Table 7. Educational Attainment



Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2010 5-Year American Community Survey & 2019 5-Year American Community Survey .

Housing Tenure

Table 8 indicates that between 2010 and 2019, Tequesta saw a slight shift in the number of owner-occupied and renter-occupied units. Owner-occupied units increased by 3.9 percent, while renter-occupied units decreased by 3.9 percent during that time. By 2019, 86.3 percent of all occupied housing units in Tequesta were owner-occupied; in contrast, 13.7 percent were occupied by renters. The average number of persons per household, both owner- and renter-occupied, is slightly over two (2.29 and 2.09, respectively) in Tequesta. This is consistent with the larger concentration of retirees and “empty nesters” in Tequesta.

Table 8. Housing Tenure



Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2010 5-Year American Community Survey & 2019 5-Year American Community Survey.

1.3. Comprehensive Plan and Level of Services

The Village of Tequesta’s Comprehensive Plan was updated and adopted by the Village Council in 2018. The subject plan was reviewed by the State Land Planning Agency (Department of Economic Opportunity), and it is in compliance with Florida Statutes. The Comprehensive Plan includes the following elements or chapters:

- Future Land Use
- Transportation
- Housing
- Utilities
 - Sanitary Sewer
 - Solid Waste
 - Potable Water
 - Stormwater Management
 - Natural Groundwater Aquifer Recharge
- Conservation
- Recreation & Open Space
- Intergovernmental Coordination
- Coastal Management
- Capital Improvement

The Comprehensive Plan Recreation and Open Space Element includes the following:

VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT

Goal: 1.0.0	<i>The development of a sustainable recreation and open space system that adequately provides for the current and projected recreational needs of the Village and enhances its built and natural environment by providing active and passive recreation opportunities.</i>
Objective: 1.1.0	<i>Maintain community and neighborhood parks and facilities meeting the current and future needs of all age groups in Tequesta.</i>
Policy: 1.1.1	Provide recreation facilities which offer sufficient choice and variety for all age groups.
Policy: 1.1.2	Continue the implementation of recreation programs for Tequesta Park that complement and enhance the use of the Village’s recreational facility assets, with periodic evaluations of how these programs are meeting the recreation needs of the Village.
Objective: 1.2.0	<i>As part of the development approval process, require that recreation areas be provided as a part of the development, or accept a recreation fee in lieu of land, where and when appropriate, in order to maintain a sustainable recreation system for the community.</i>
Policy: 1.2.1	The Village shall continue to zone all properties utilized or targeted for recreation and open space purposes as R/OP, Recreation/Open Space.
Objective: 1.3.0	<i>Continue to coordinate development which allows safe and easy access to recreational facilities outside and within the Village’s corporate limits in a manner that is consistent with the Transportation Element of this Plan and the Village of Tequesta Capital Improvement Program.</i>

- Policy: 1.3.1 The Village should provide for safe access to recreation areas by making road improvements and pathway improvements compatible with surrounding development patterns and consistent with the Village Capital Improvement Program and Transportation Element.
- Policy: 1.3.2 Existing roads and thoroughfares should be considered as primary locations for the accommodation of bicycle traffic when they lead to the Village’s park and recreation facilities and encourage bicycle paths in the parks.
- Policy: 1.3.3 Obtain easements or use road rights-of-way for bicycle and pedestrian paths well in advance of development where they are desired consistent with Complete Street principles.
- Policy: 1.3.4 In providing pathways with safe access to recreational areas, the Village should coordinate this activity with surrounding involved governments by reviewing Comprehensive Plans and Capital Improvement Programs of adjacent governments as part of the annual budgetary process.
- Objective: 1.4.0 Continue to expand recreational facilities with the growth of the Village to meet the needs of the residents and Level of Service Standards.*
- Policy: 1.4.1 Preserve currently allocated recreational areas within the Village by zoning those parcels and properties R/OP, Recreation/Open Space district.
- Policy: 1.4.2 Strive to meet minimum standards for recreation open space, service areas, and facilities as established in the Policy 1.4.5 of this Element.
- Policy: 1.4.3 Encourage the use of private recreation facilities within the Village and work cooperatively with the private sector to provide public recreation areas in future developments as part of the site plan review process.
- Policy: 1.4.4 Through cooperative arrangements, encourage the use of existing school and publicly owned recreation facilities in the North County area to meet the recreation needs of Village residents.
- Policy: 1.4.5 The following Level of Service Standards, shall apply to recreation and open space facilities within the Village of Tequesta.

Classification Area/Activity	Standard (Unit/Population)
Neighborhood Parks	2 acres/1,000
Community Parks	2 acres/1,000

- Policy: 1.4.6 The Village shall continue maintaining and enforcing landscaping regulations which establish landscaping and open space definitions, standards and regulations consistent with Florida Friendly Landscaping requirements.
- Policy: 1.4.7 The Village should continue to work cooperatively with the Federal Government and Palm Beach County to direct the development of the Coast Guard property north of CR 707 for future recreation/open space, culture/civic and/or other appropriate public use. Since there is similar federally owned property south to CR 707 within the corporate limits of the Town of Jupiter, the Village should investigate coordination with their work toward similar development of the entire area.

- Objective: 1.5.0 Consider utilizing methods of obtaining additional land to increase the community and neighborhood recreational facilities within the corporate limits of Tequesta when necessary.*
- Policy: 1.5.1 Establish methods for the use of and/or purchase of privately owned lands suitable for recreation in order to increase the existing inventory of recreation areas and open space facilities.
- Policy: 1.5.2. The Village shall consider seeking land donations from property owners and financial contributions from the private sector for the development of recreational opportunities.
- Policy: 1.5.3 The Village shall coordinate ways and means for private developers to provide public recreation facilities within their developments.
- Policy: 1.5.4. The Village shall encourage co-sponsorship of recreational and cultural events, such as races, greenmarkets, festivals and athletic events, using Village facilities as a location for these events.
- Objective: 1.6.0 Continue to receive and consider citizen input in determining recreational needs of the community.*
- Policy: 1.6.1 Encourage citizen participation in determining recreation facility needs for the various existing and future neighborhood recreation developments by adhering to the public participation procedures established by this Plan.
- Policy: 1.6.2 Maintain citizen input in the planning of additional recreational facilities within the Village by adhering to the public participation procedures established by this Plan.
- Objective: 1.7.0 Encourage the protection and supplementation of the existing tree canopy, a vital community and environmental asset, in order to sustain the resource and maintain the environmental benefits provided by mature tree canopies.*
- Policy: 1.7.1 Consider acquiring and preserving open space lands for purposes of recreation, habitat protection and enhancement.
- Policy: 1.7.2 Consider the community’s street trees as infrastructure and strive to preserve and protect these trees as a community and private property asset.
- Policy: 1.7.3 The Village shall encourage Tree and Landscape Ordinances to support sustainable development principles of tree preservation as a key element in retention and provision of plant materials and minimize impact to the existing site resources.
- Policy: 1.7.4 The Village shall support Public/Private beautification efforts on public property and encourage private maintenance agreements.
- Objective: 1.8.0 Coordinate with the Southeast Florida Regional Greenways and Trails Plan, the Village’s greenway and trail initiatives throughout its geographical boundary and along its waterfront areas,*
- Policy: 1.8.1 Consider adopting Southeast Florida Regional Greenways and Trails Plan to coordinate the development of a future greenways and trails network within the Village that connects to County trails and facilities.
- Policy: 1.8.2 Seek funding opportunities for acquisition, development and maintenance of sites for greenway corridors.
- Policy: 1.8.3 Utilize future park and open space acquisition opportunities to connect the Village’s existing park and open space into a coordinated greenway and trail system.

Level of Service Analysis

Parks and open spaces managed by other entities were not included in the park LOS analysis. Specifically, the open space area known as Eco Site No. 61, that corresponds to the approximately 50-acre north portion of the federally owned and managed 120-acre Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area (ONA), is located within the Village boundaries. This federally-owned open space area provides a walking trail and beach frontage along the Intracoastal Waterway. Likewise, Coral Cove Park is a County-owned and operated community park located within the corporate limits of Tequesta. This park is a 6.21-acre beachfront park located on the barrier island portion of The Village. The park has 955.5 feet of beach, one mile of nature trail, a fishing site, a picnic table area, a playground, and is used by Village residents and non-residents.

Policy: 1.4.5 The following Level of Service Standards, shall apply to recreation and open space facilities within the Village of Tequesta.

Classification Area/Activity	Standard (Unit/Population)
Neighborhood Parks	2 acres/1,000
Community Parks	2 acres/1,000

The following tables analyze current demand and available capacity, comparing current level of service standards for existing and projected population. According to the Village Comprehensive Plan the Village adopted a Level-of-Service (LOS) standard of two (2) acres of park space for every 1,000 population for both community and neighborhood parks.

The demand and capacity for community and neighborhood parks and other activity areas is calculated in Table 9, which shows the Village’s current park area / activity demand and capacity according to a total population estimate of 6,158 (US Census Quickfacts dated July 1, 2021).

Table 9. Demand* and Capacity for Current Population

Park Classification	Existing Inventory* (acres)	LOS Standards (acres/population)	2021 Population	Demand (acres)	Surplus (acres)
Community Parks	45.00	2/1,000	6,158	12.31	32.69
Neighborhood Park	14.78	2/1,000	6,158	12.31	2.47

Table 10. Demand* and Capacity for Future Population

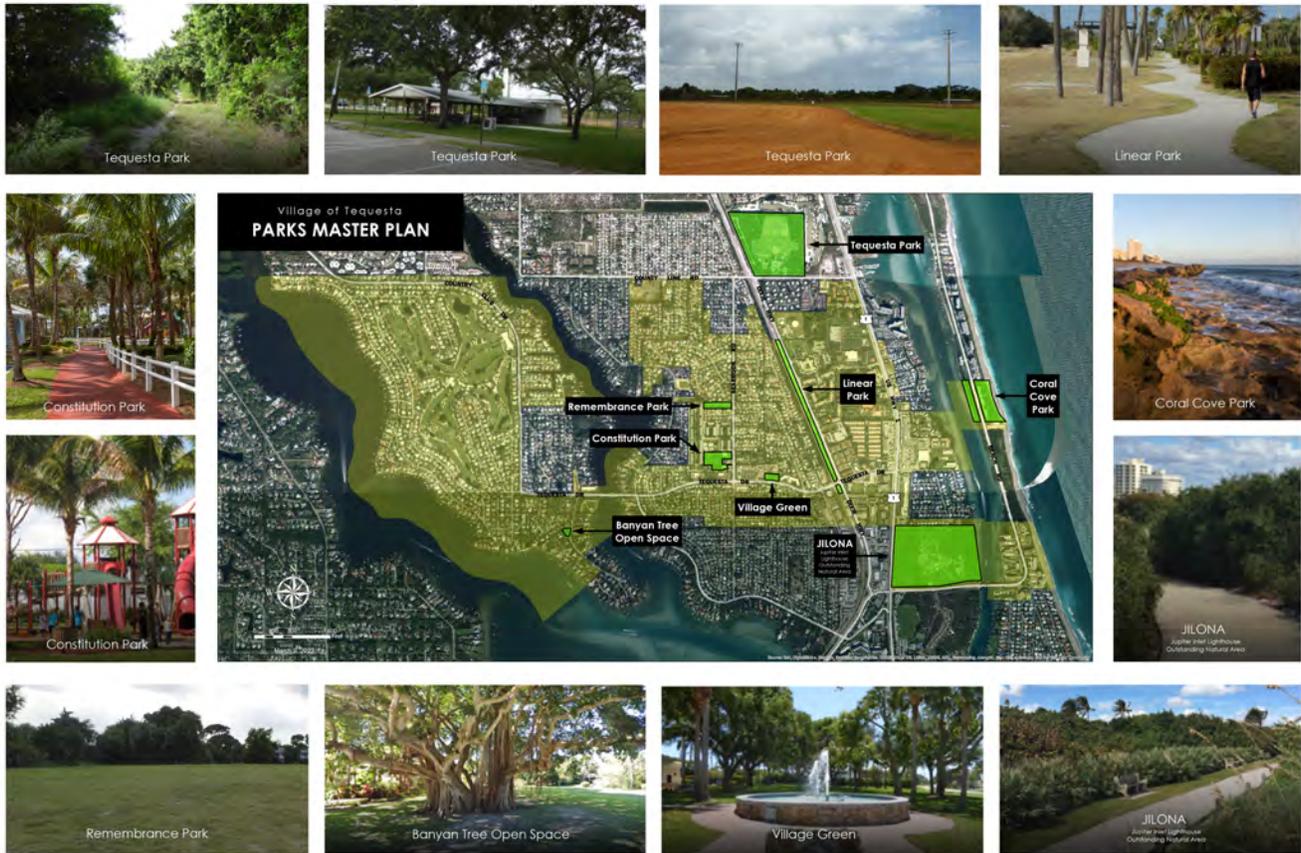
Park Classification	Existing Inventory* (acres)	LOS Standards (unit/population)	2040 Population	Demand (acres)	Surplus (acres)
Community Parks	45.00	2/1,000	7,128	14.3	30.7
Neighborhood Parks	14.78	2/1,000	7,128	14.3	0.48

* Inventory based on the Village’s direct ownership or management of parks.

1.4. Existing Park Facilities

This section includes an inventory of the Village’s existing recreation and open space sites and facilities. They are classified according to their type and function. Figure 1 below illustrates the location of the public parks that serve the Village population.

Figure 1. Parks and Open Spaces



The Parks and Recreation Department oversees and manages the recreation program and park facilities of the Village of Tequesta. Table 11 lists the existing Village parks and open spaces.

Table 11. Existing Inventory

INVENTORY	EXISTING (Acres)
NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS	
Constitution Park	3.94
Village Green Park	1.50
Remembrance Park (Currently a vacant site)	1.76
Linear Park	7.12
Point Drive Open Space/Recreation Area (Banyan Tree)	0.46
Total	14.78
COMMUNITY PARKS	
Tequesta Park	45.00
Total	45.00

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

A neighborhood park is a "walk to" park, generally located along streets where people can walk or bicycle without encountering heavy traffic, and generally, it serves the population of a neighborhood in a radius of up to one-half mile. A neighborhood park can be passive or active according to the facilities that are included in the park.

The Village owns or leases land from other agencies for neighborhood parks. The three Village-owned neighborhood parks include the Village Green, Constitution Park, and Remembrance Park. The Linear Park land is leased from the FEC Railroad.



Constitution Park: Gazebo and Scrub Pine Putting Green

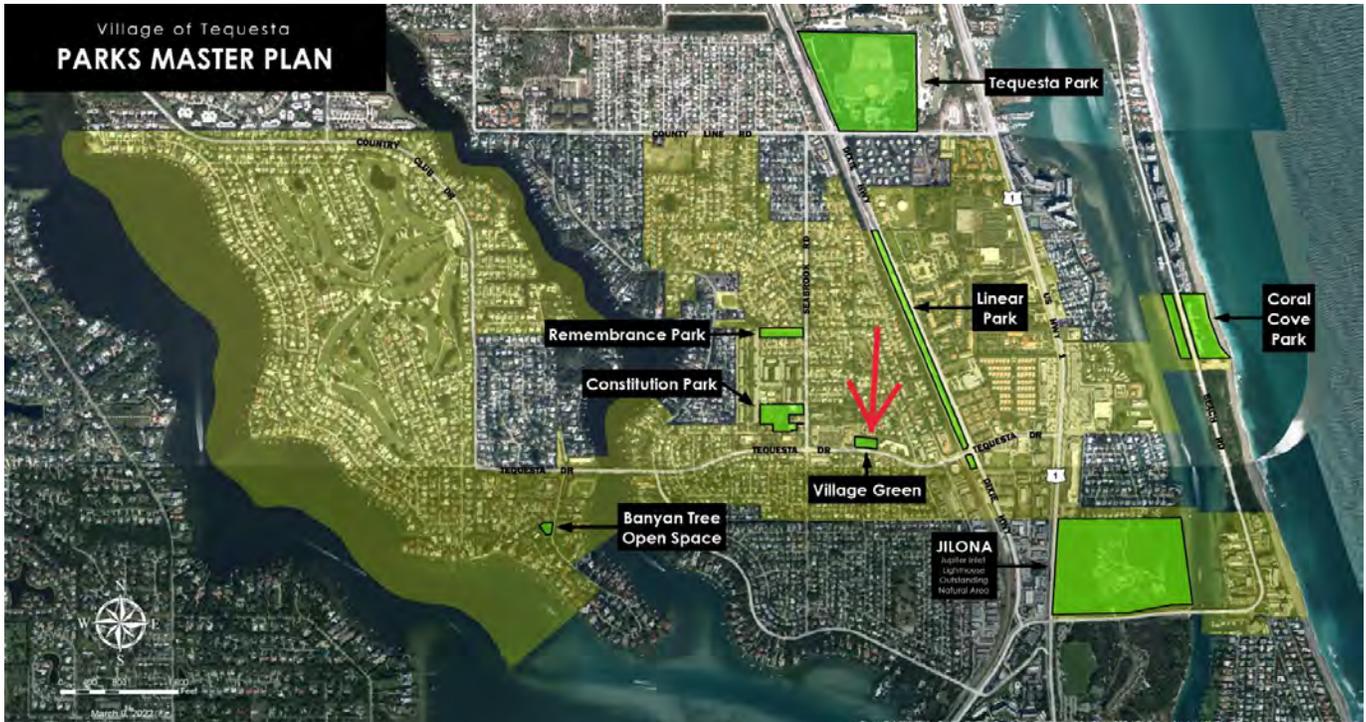


Constitution Park: Fountain and Playground Sign

Village Green Park

The Village Green is a passive park located adjacent to the Village Hall complex. The park features a monument honoring First Responders, walkways, benches and a fountain. In 1977, the Village of Tequesta contracted Jenkins Landscape to design the landscape and green area. In 1985, the Village Council approved the site plan review for the fountain, and it was built thanks to donations from contributors and sponsors, whose names are inscribed on the sign placed on the fountain.

VILLAGE GREEN PARK 345 Tequesta Drive (outside the Village of Tequesta Municipal Complex)		Type:	Passive
Amenities:	Water fountain, benches, sidewalks, landscaping	Acres:	1.50





Constitution Park

Constitution Park is a Village-owned active neighborhood park surrounded on all sides by a residential area. The park includes nature trails, basketball courts, a skate park, picnic pavilion, benches, shade trees, a putt-putt course, and playgrounds. The following are benchmark dates regarding Constitution Park history:

- On December 27, 1961, Mr. William E. Schlusemeyer, President of Vacation Homes, sold lots 34 & 35, Block 16 of Jupiter in the Pines to Plantreat, Inc.
- On August 1, 1962, Mr. Schlusemeyer sold the property now known as the Recreation Center to the Jupiter Tequesta Junior Citizens (JTJC) for \$10.00.
- In 1970, Plantreat, Inc. also acquires Lots 32 & 33, Block 16 of Jupiter in the Pines from Vacation Homes.
- In 1971, Plantreat was replaced by the Loxahatchee Environmental Control District, which in 1983 sold Lots 32, 33 and 34, Block 16 to the Village of Tequesta.
- In 1963, the building was constructed by the JTJC Board of Directors.
- In 1987, the Village of Tequesta purchased Lot 510 from Jupiter Properties, Inc.
- On June 9, 1987, a consensus was given by the Village Council to designate the “Dover Road Park” as Constitution Park to observe the bicentennial year of the signing of the United States Constitution.
- In 1991, after negotiations between the Village and the owner of Lot 512, the lot was purchased from Susan Dubois Kindt.
- On September 20, 1993, after various interactions with JTJC, Tequesta Gardens and the Church of Good Shepherd, the Village of Tequesta entered a 50-year Lease Agreement between JTJC and the Village.
- Finally, on June, 15, 1996, the Village held a Grand Opening Celebration for Constitution Park.



CONSTITUTION PARK

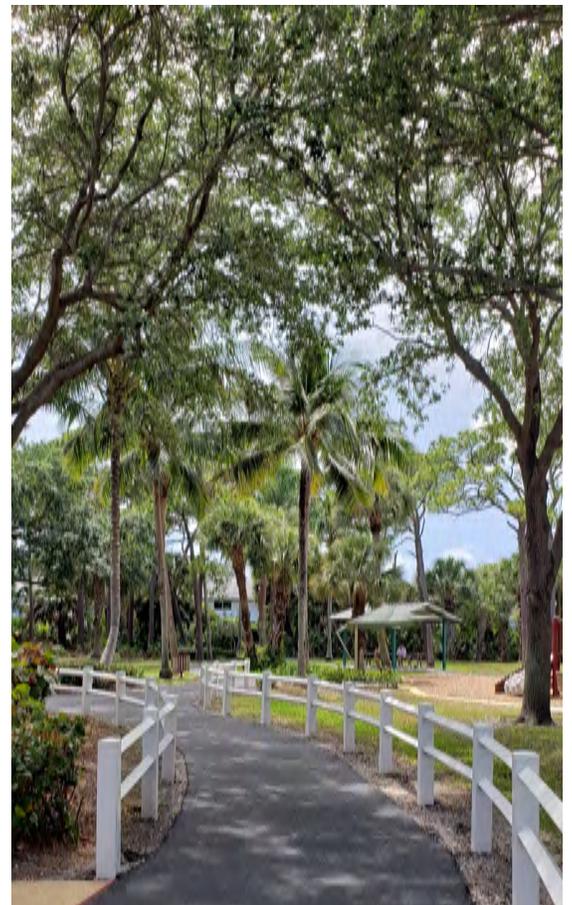
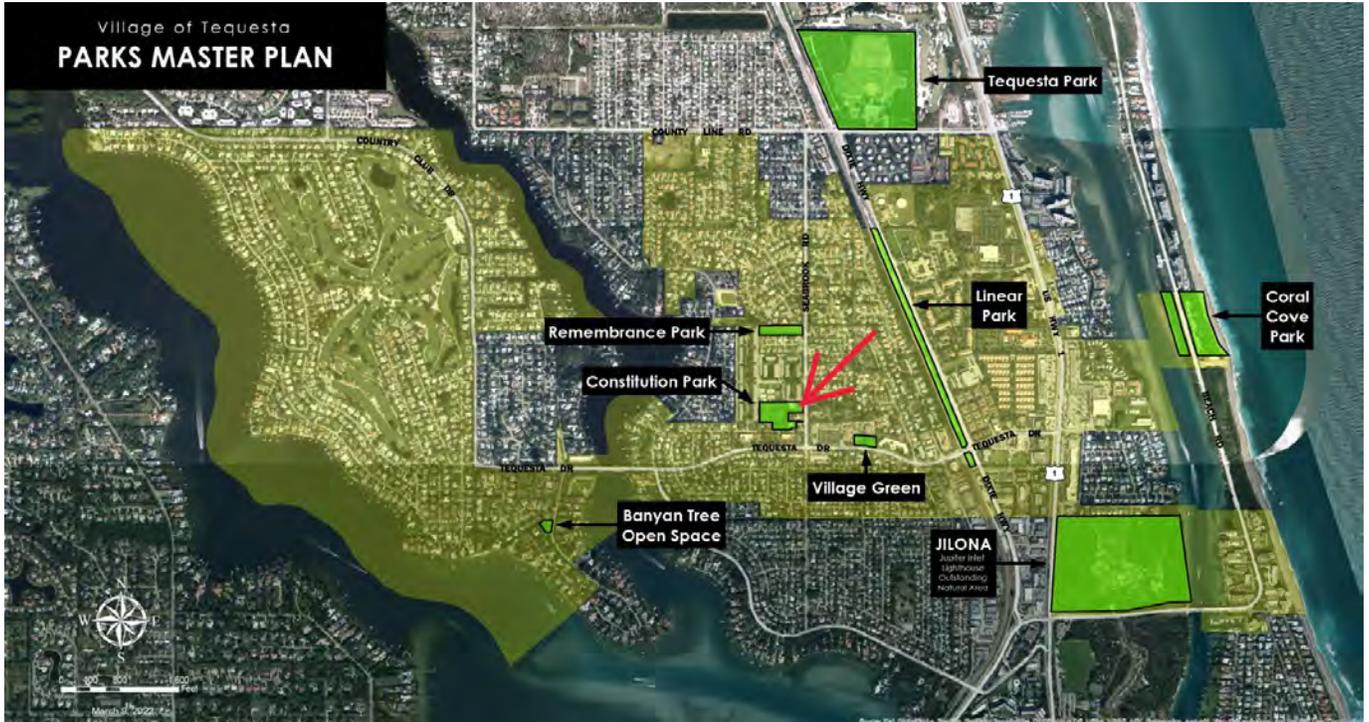
399 Seabrook Rd

Type: Active

Amenities:

Outdoor basketball court, rock climbing area, playground, fields, gazebo, pavilion, restrooms, mini golf

Acres: 3.94



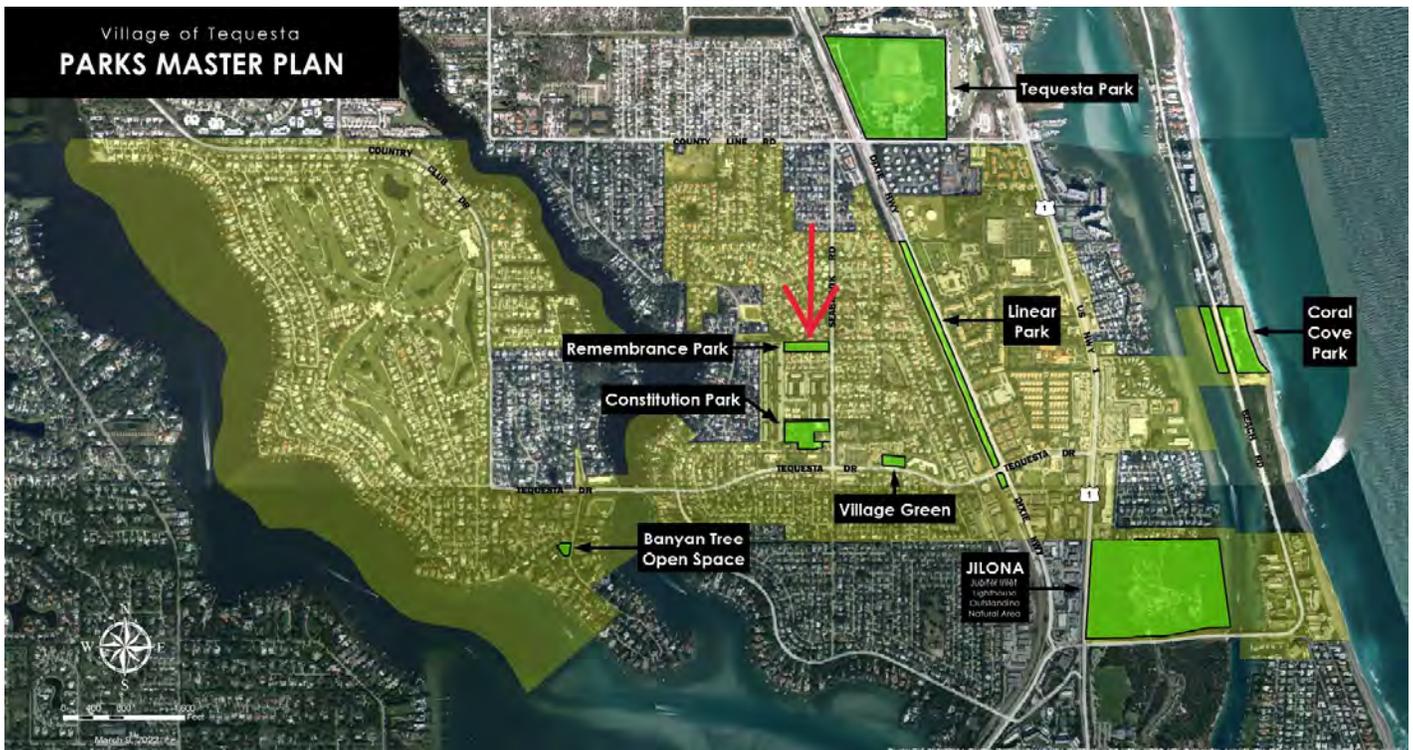
Remembrance Park

Currently, Remembrance Park is a vacant site. The subject site was once a stop for Henry Flagler’s railroad to Key West. In 1966, Betty Bush, of “The Beacon”, purchased the two-level dark red and white building (train depot) and moved it to her property off Seabrook Road. In 1997, Ms. Bush passed away, and her family occupied the home for a few years before having a caretaker live there. In 2005, Mayor Jim Humpage reported to the Village Council that the property located on Seabrook Road was going to be sold, and the uncertainty of the train station situated on the site.

During the April 2010 Village Council Meeting, Mr. Humpage informed the public of the price of the Seabrook Road property, and in December 2010, the Village of Tequesta purchased the property with the intention to demolish the structures and have a park. The Loxahatchee Guild then expressed interest in preserving the depot and relocating it to Jupiter. On April 15, 2012, the Loxahatchee Guild, Florida East Coast Railway Society, Town of Jupiter and Village of Tequesta representatives gathered in Sawfish Bay Park to welcome the depot to its new location, where the building will be preserved.

This subject Master Plan included a number of community outreach events to design and plan Remembrance Park.

REMEMBRANCE PARK 483 Seabrook Road		Type:	Passive
Amenities:	Vacant land	Acres:	1.76





Above: Remembrance Park Vacant Land; Below: Abutting Retention area NW of Remembrance Park.



Linear Park

The Village of Tequesta leases from the FEC Railroad a portion of its right-of-way for the Linear Park. This Passive Park is abutting Old Dixie Highway and includes a pergola, a sidewalk and landscaping.

At the April 14, 2005 Council Meeting, the Village Council reviewed a presentation for the Tequesta Linear Park and Tequesta Drive Beautification project. The initiative proposed to develop and improve the land adjacent to the FEC tracks on Old Dixie Highway from Tequesta Drive to County Line Road, and later on, it was approved by the Village Council on July 14, 2005 (Resolution No 81-04-05).

LINEAR PARK		Type:	Passive
Old Dixie		Acres:	7.12
Amenities:	Sidewalk facilities, landscaping, pergola		

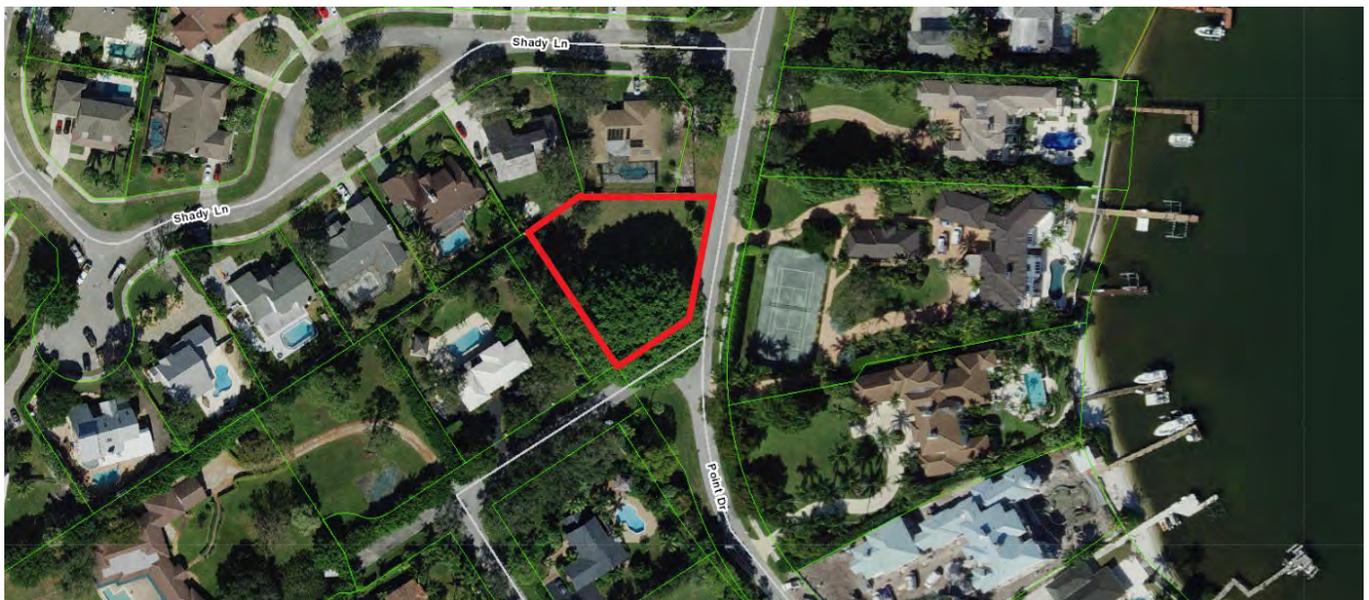




Point Drive Open Space (Banyan Tree)

This Banyan Tree site is surrounded by residential homes, and it has been embraced by the community because of its character and beauty.

POINT DRIVE OPEN SPACE (BANYAN TREE)		Type:	Passive
Amenities:	One (1) bench, one (1) Banyan Tree	Acres:	0.46





COMMUNITY PARKS

A community park is a "ride to" park located near major streets or arterials. It is designed to serve community residents within a radius of up to three miles. Multi-modal access to community parks is strongly encouraged and can be enhanced with bike paths and pedestrian walkways.

Typical facilities found in community parks are designed to serve the entire family and include both passive and active recreation opportunities such as playgrounds, recreation buildings, sports fields, multipurpose courts, picnic areas, open play areas, swimming pools, and natural trails. Adequate off-street parking is also required in a community park. Just as a neighborhood park fulfills the recreation needs of a neighborhood, a community park is designed to meet the recreation needs of an entire community.



Tequesta Park: Pavilion and Girl Scout Facility

Tequesta Park

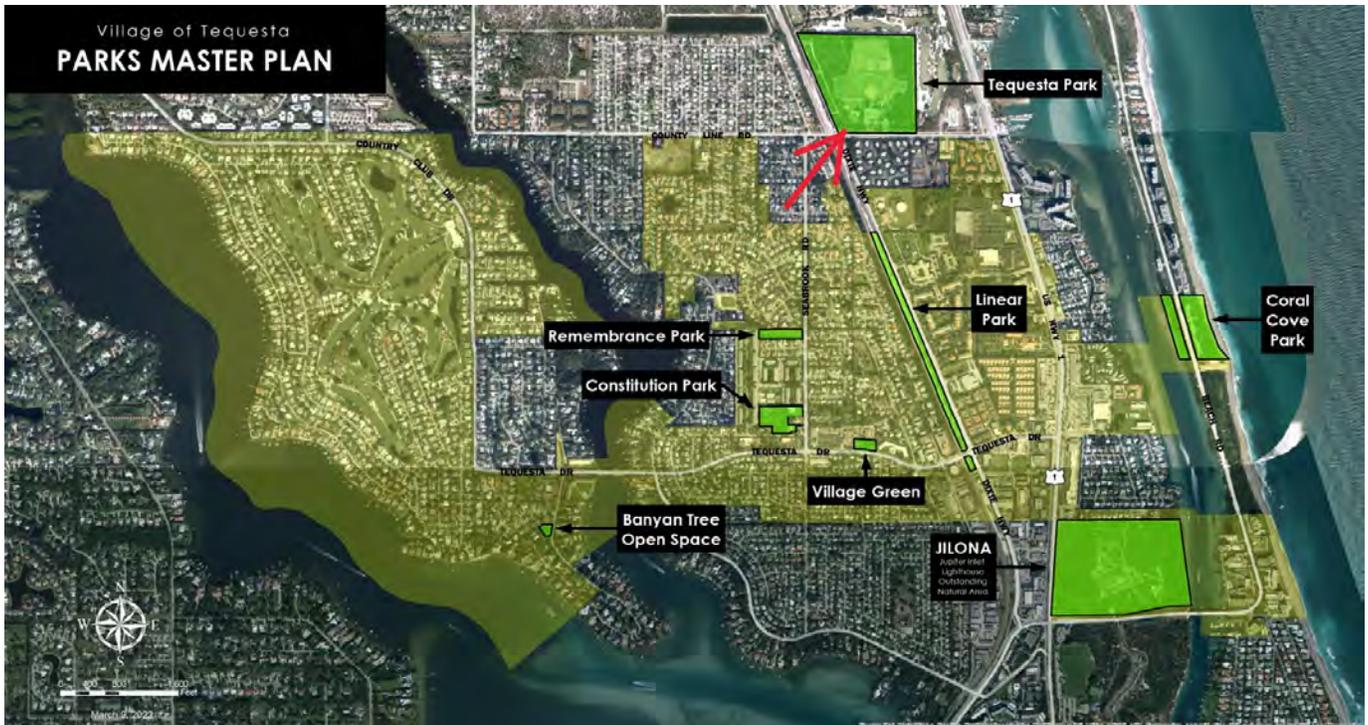
Tequesta Park is a 45-acre community park located on the north side of County Line Road in Martin County, and it is owned by the State of Florida. The following benchmark dates are part of the Tequesta Park history:

- In 1956, the Jupiter-Tequesta Kiwanis Club members began exploring the establishment of a youth center, and Roy Rood, owner of Rood Landscaping, was instrumental in establishing the park.
- In 1972, the Tequesta's Village Manager, Mr. Robert Harp, expressed interest in acquiring Kiwanis Park. The State of Florida's Division of Recreation and Parks, provided a letter to Mr.Harp explaining that a long-term lease (99 years) agreement would be considered rather than a deed and that Tequesta could possibly lease and police the property even though it was in another county.
- On December 6, 1972, the Village received a letter from the State of Florida, Division of Recreation and Parks, pertaining to the transfer of the lease from Kiwanis Club to the Village of Tequesta.
- On December 19, 1972, an assignment of revocable lease was provided from the Jupiter-Tequesta Kiwanis Club to the Village of Tequesta.
- On July 1973, the State of Florida's Department of Legal Affairs Office of the Attorney General issued a letter to the Village of Tequesta authorizing the lease for the recreational park located in another county.



This subject Master Plan included a number of community events to receive input from the residents for designing and planning Tequesta Park.

TEQUESTA PARK 2280 County Line Road		Type:	Active
Amenities:	4 Tennis Courts, 6 Pickleball Courts, 2 Basketball Courts, 1 Baseball Field, Multi-purpose field, picnic pavilion, restroom facility, walking trails	Acres:	45.0





Jupiter Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area (JLONA)

The Jupiter Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area (JLONA) open space, known as Eco Site No. 61, is a federally owned and managed 120-acre natural area. The area located within the Village boundaries is approximately fifty (50) acres and provides walking trails and frontage along the Intracoastal Waterway, which is enjoyed by Village residents and non-residents.

JLONA 1600 Beach Road		Type:	Passive
Amenities:	Natural Trails, Views of Intracoastal	Acres:	50.0





Coral Cove Park

The Coral Cove Park is owned and maintained by Palm Beach County. This park was annexed within the Village boundaries in 1985. The park has beach frontage along the Atlantic Ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway, and it is enjoyed by Tequesta’s residents and non-residents.

CORAL COVE PARK 1600 Beach Road		Type:	Active
Amenities:	Playground, restrooms, grills, picnic tables, beach and nature trails.	Acres:	6.21







TEQUESTA VILLAGE HALL



CHAPTER 2. PROACTIVE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROGRAM (4 Ps)

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2.1. Overview and Summary

The Parks Master Plan embraced Tequesta’s strong sense of community by facilitating a public outreach and participation program. The process was designed to be transparent, equitable and engage the widest range of residents to receive the community ideas and feedback. The proactive public participation program included a number of open, dynamic and inclusive community events that are described in this section.

The goal was to have a meaningful public discussion about the Village of Tequesta parks and to propose a feasible Parks Master Plan that is based on the community vision and provides a long-term road map. The following is a list of the different initiatives that comprised the community input process from October 2021 to April 2022:

- Community Survey (249 total responses; 232 online; 17 paper copies)
- 20 interviews with residents
- 4 Kiosks at Village Events
- 7 Design Open Houses
- 5 Public Meetings
- Conceptual Drawings Exhibit and Surveys at Village Hall Lobby

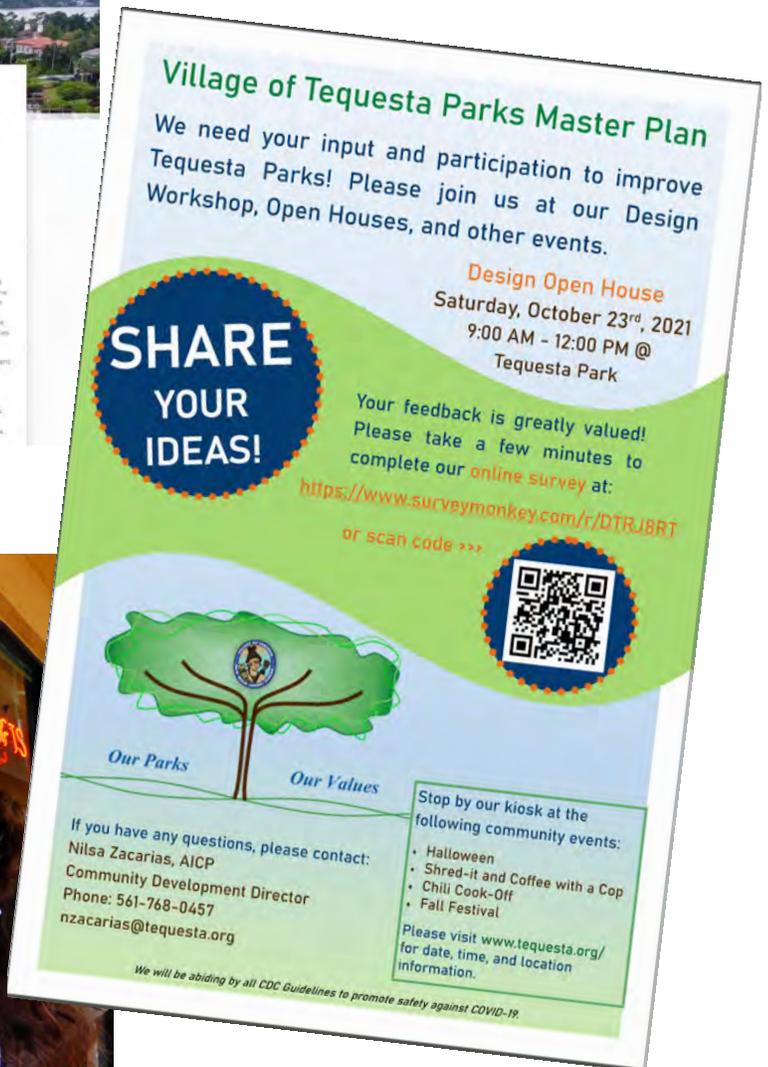
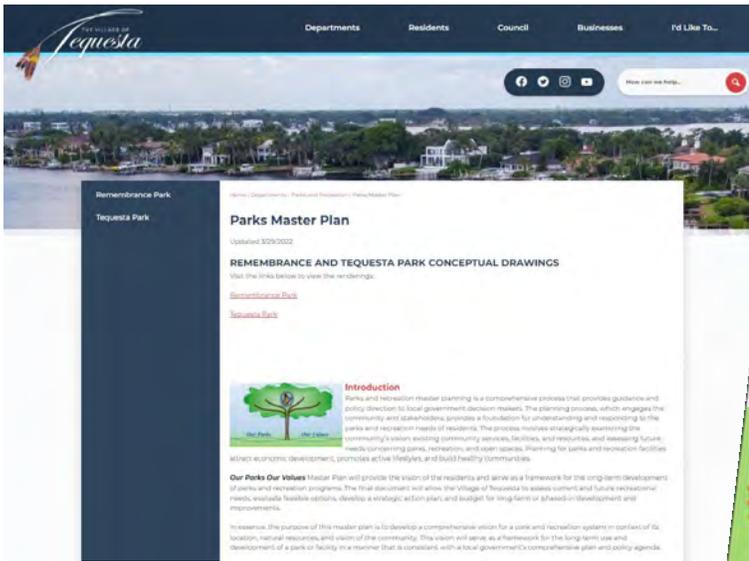


The following table presents a summary of all the community events part of the outreach initiative:

	EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
1.	Kick-Off Open Forum	Tuesday, October 12, 2021	Village Hall Chambers
2.	Kiosk at Halloween	Friday, October 15, 2021	Constitution Park
3.	Kiosk at Shred-it and Coffee with a Cop	Saturday, October 16, 2021	Village Hall Parking Lot and Chambers
4.	Design Open House	Saturday, October 23, 2021	Tequesta Park
5.	Design Open House	Monday, October 25, 2021	Village Hall Chambers
6.	Meeting with Tequesta Pines HOA	Wednesday, October 27, 2021	Mr. Allen attended a Zoom Meeting with HOA
7.	Design Open House	Saturday, November 6, 2021	Village Hall Chambers
8.	Presentation at Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting	Wednesday, November 10, 2021	Village Hall Chambers
9.	Kiosk at Chili Cook-Off	Saturday, November 13, 2021	Paradise Park
10.	Presentation at Planning & Zoning Board Meeting	Thursday, November 18, 2021	Village Hall Chambers
11.	Kiosk at Holiday in the Park	Saturday, December 4, 2021	Constitution Park
12.	Design Open House with Residents Adjacent to Remembrance Park	Saturday, December 18, 2021	Village Hall Chambers
13.	Open House for Concept Plans – Presentation and Feedback	March 8, 2022 (Village Wide) March 9, 2022 (Village Wide) March 15, 2022 (Remembrance Park Neighbors)	Village Hall Chambers
14.	Community Feedback on Conceptual Plans (Proposed drawings were exhibited along with surveys)	March 10, 2022, through March 28, 2022	Village Hall Lobby
15.	Environmental Advisory Committee Presentation	Wednesday, April 13, 2022	Village Fire Department
16.	Presentation at Planning & Zoning Board Meeting	Thursday, April 21, 2022	Village Hall Chambers
17.	Workshop with Village Council	Monday, May 2, 2022	Village Hall Chambers

The success of the public participation process relied on effective advertising and creative tools to communicate with the community. The following initiatives were conducted:

- *Village Website.* A section for the Parks Master Plan was created on the Village website that was regularly updated.
- *Announcement on the Water Bill*
- *Invitation through Social Media including Facebook and the VOT Friday News*
- *Village Newsletter*
- *Posters with a QR Code to access the survey.* The Project Team designed a poster that included a QR Code that residents could scan with their phones to respond to the community survey. The poster was provided to a number of stores in The Village.



2.2. Public Participation Events

This section presents a description of all the Community Outreach events including Public Meetings, Kiosks and Design Open Houses.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

The community outreach efforts included community public meetings held in the evenings to ensure the most attendance from residents. The main purpose was to provide information about the Parks Master Plan initiative as well as gather input from the community. The Project Team listened and took notes regarding the needs and desired improvements for the Parks.

Kick-off Open Forum at Village Hall – October 12, 2021

This was the first public meeting to present the goals and upcoming community events of the Parks Master Plan initiative. The Project Team presented a PowerPoint including information about each park and the upcoming public outreach process, and also answered questions from attendees. The Community Survey was also presented at this meeting.



Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) Presentation, Village Hall Chambers - November 10, 2021

The Project Team conducted a PowerPoint presentation, listened to the feedback from the EAC members and responded to questions regarding the Parks Master Plan initiative.



Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Board Presentation, Village Hall Chambers - November 18, 2021

The Project Team conducted a PowerPoint presentation, listened to the feedback from the P&Z Board members and responded to questions regarding the Parks Master Plan initiative.

DESIGN OPEN HOUSES

Designing and planning the parks based on the residents input is the keystone of the proposed Master Plan. Part of the community outreach process included four design open houses to gather feedback and ideas from the residents. These events allowed the community to communicate their vision and needs for the Parks. These open houses were conducted prior to the conceptual designs and after they were prepared, so residents could express their preferences.

Design Open House – Tequesta Park - October 23, 2021



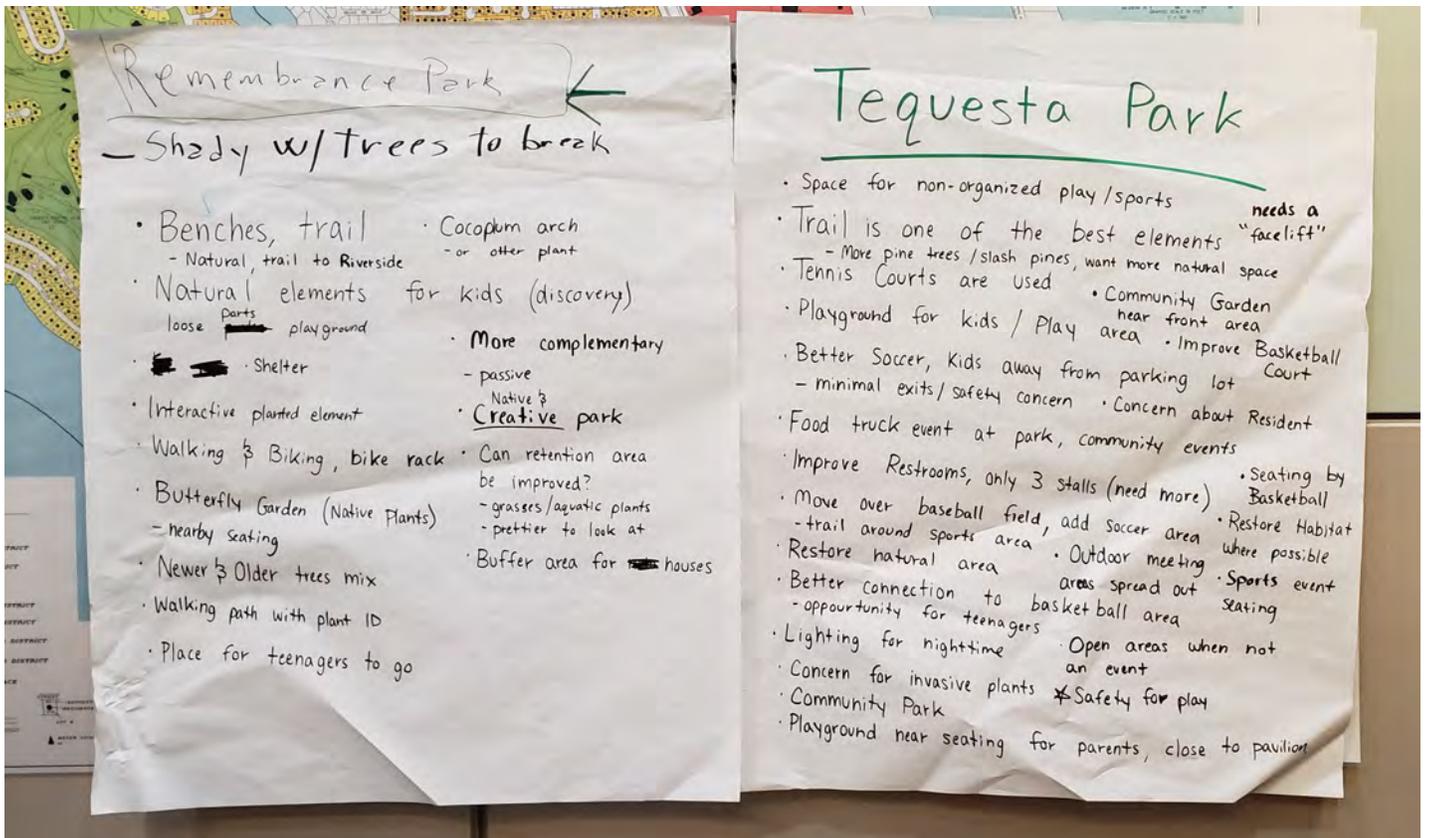


Tequesta Park

- Space for non-organized play/sports
- Trail is one of the best elements
 - Move pine trees / slash pines
- Tennis Courts are used
- Playground for kids / Play area
- Better Soccer, Kids away from parking lot
 - minimal exits/safety concern
- Food truck event at park
- Improve Restrooms, only 3 stalls (need more)
- Move over baseball field, add soccer area
 - trail around sports area
- Restore natural area
- Better connection to basketball area
 - opportunity for teenagers
- Lighting for nighttime



Design Open House – Village Hall Chambers - October 25, 2021 & November 6, 2021



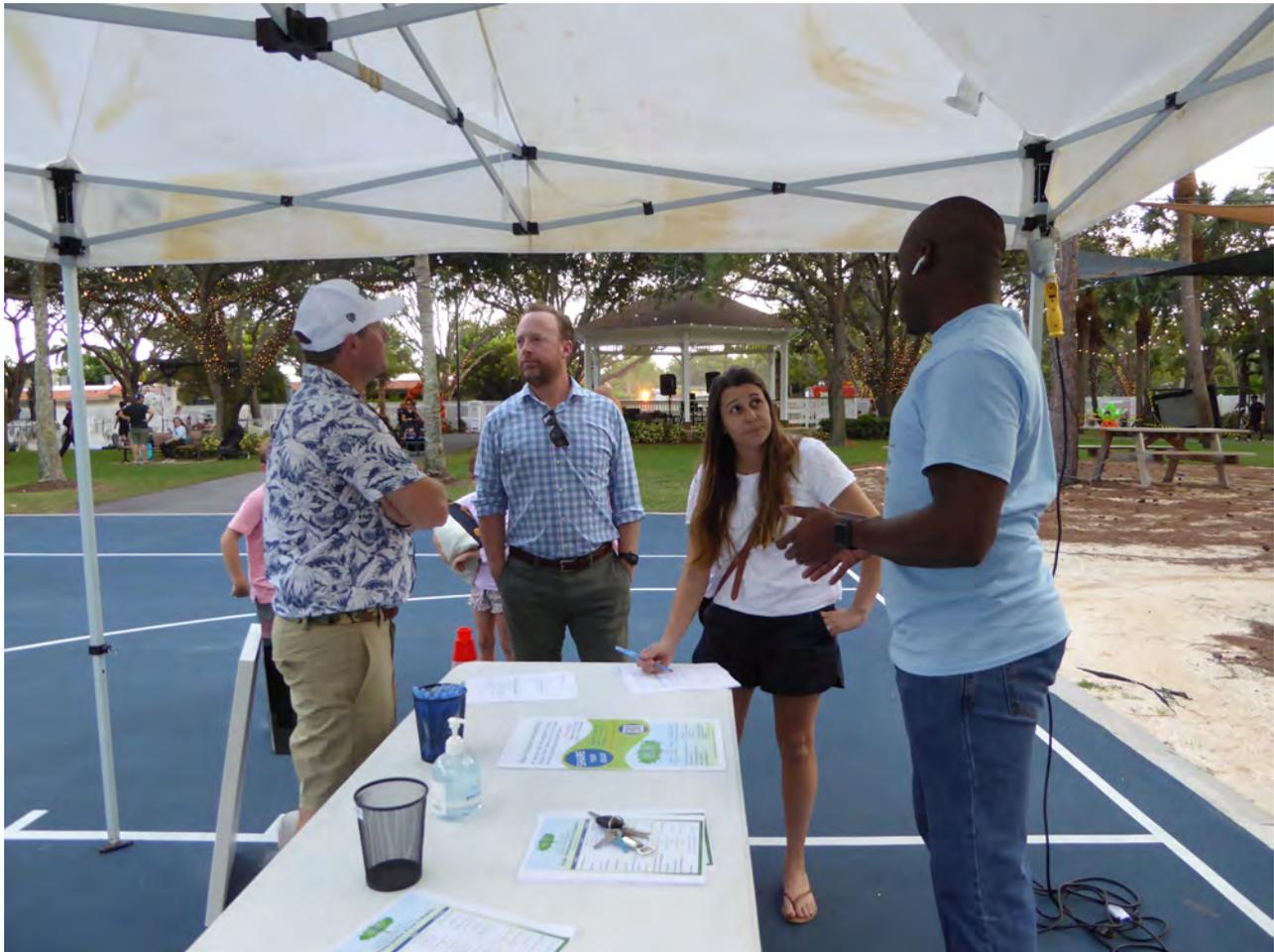
Design Open House for Remembrance Park adjacent Neighbors, Village Hall Chambers – December 18, 2021

Village residents adjacent to the future Remembrance Park were invited to attend a Design Open House on December 18, 2021. The Project Team had the opportunity to listen to the residents’ ideas and concerns regarding this Park. The proposed conceptual design was based on feedback received from the neighbors.

KIOSKS AT VILLAGE EVENTS

There were several pop-up kiosks set up at multiple Village events to supplement the public meetings, online survey, and design open houses. The Project Team engaged event-goers to inform about the Parks Master Plan, identify parks preferences and collect comments. These stations were intended to reach a broader audience at different types of settings and scheduling. These kiosks provided information about the Parks Master Plan initiative and process and allowed ample opportunities for the community to offer their feedback on the needs and vision for the Parks.

Halloween Event - Constitution Park - October 15, 2021



Shred Event & Coffee with a Cop – Village Hall - October 16, 2021



Chili Cook-Off - Paradise Park - November 13, 2021



Holiday in the Park, Constitution Park – December 4, 2021



2.3. Stakeholder Interviews

Village Residents were interviewed as part of this community outreach process. The purpose of the interviews was to gather further understanding of the community’s needs and vision with regard to the Village’s parks.

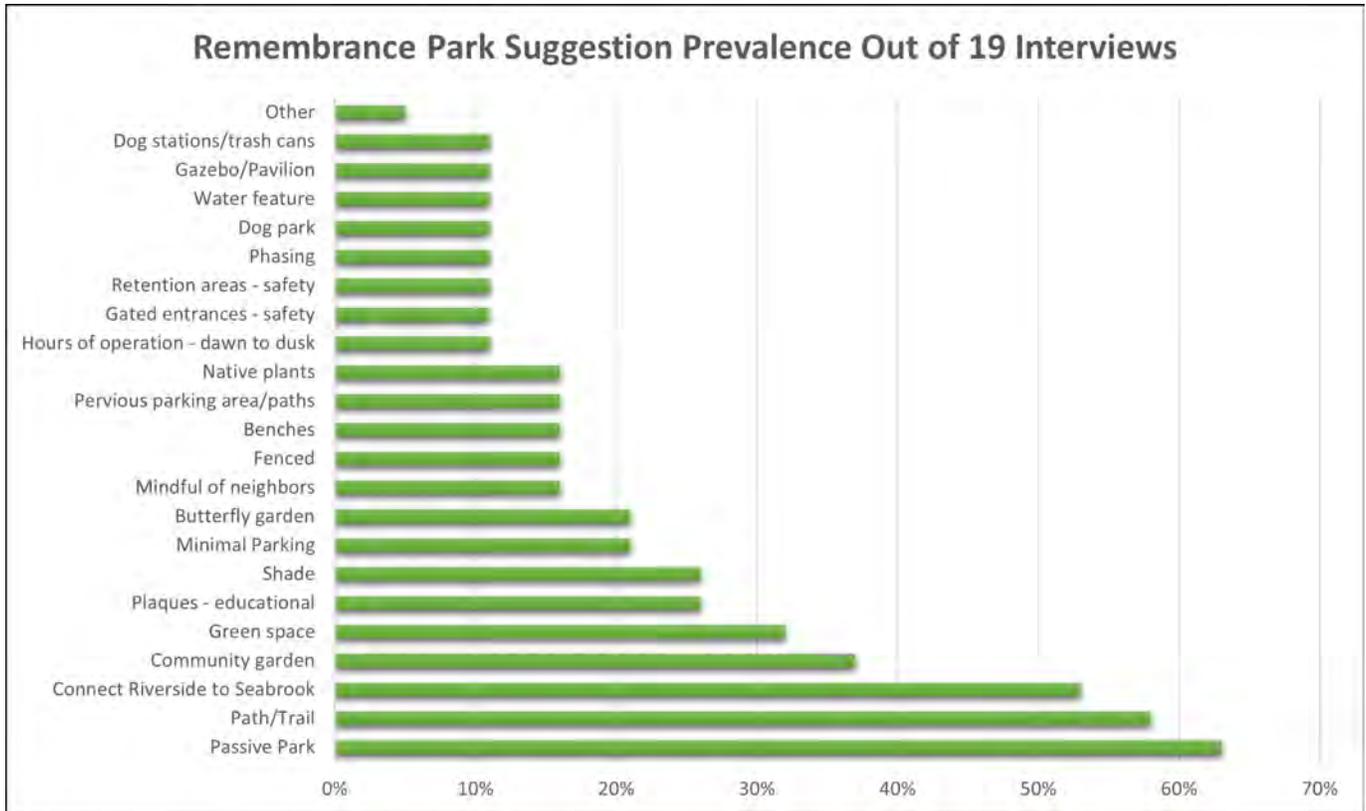
Mr. Jeremy Allen, Village Manager, and Ms. Nilsa Zacarias, Community Development Director, met one-on-one with each participant at the Village Hall. The following questions were asked to each interviewee:

1. What do you envision for the future Remembrance Park?
2. What do you envision for Tequesta Park?
3. What are your ideas to improve the other parks? (Linear Park, Coral Cove, JLONA, Banyan Tree and Village Green)



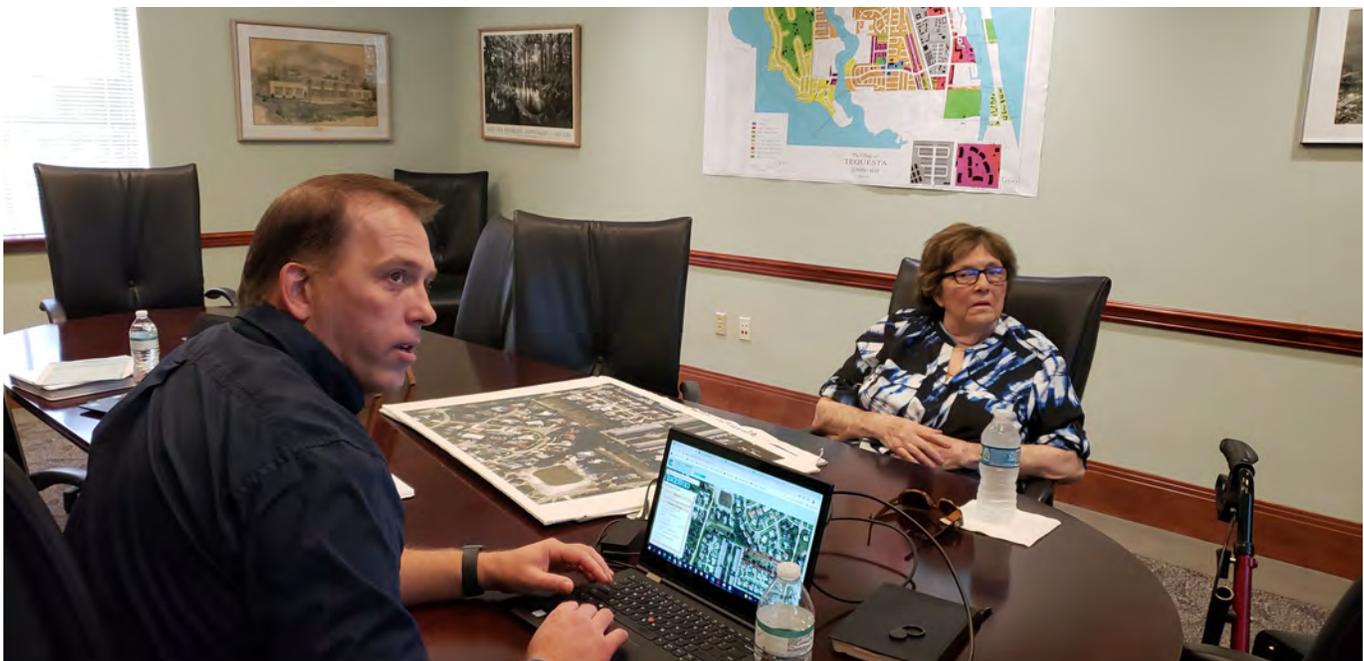
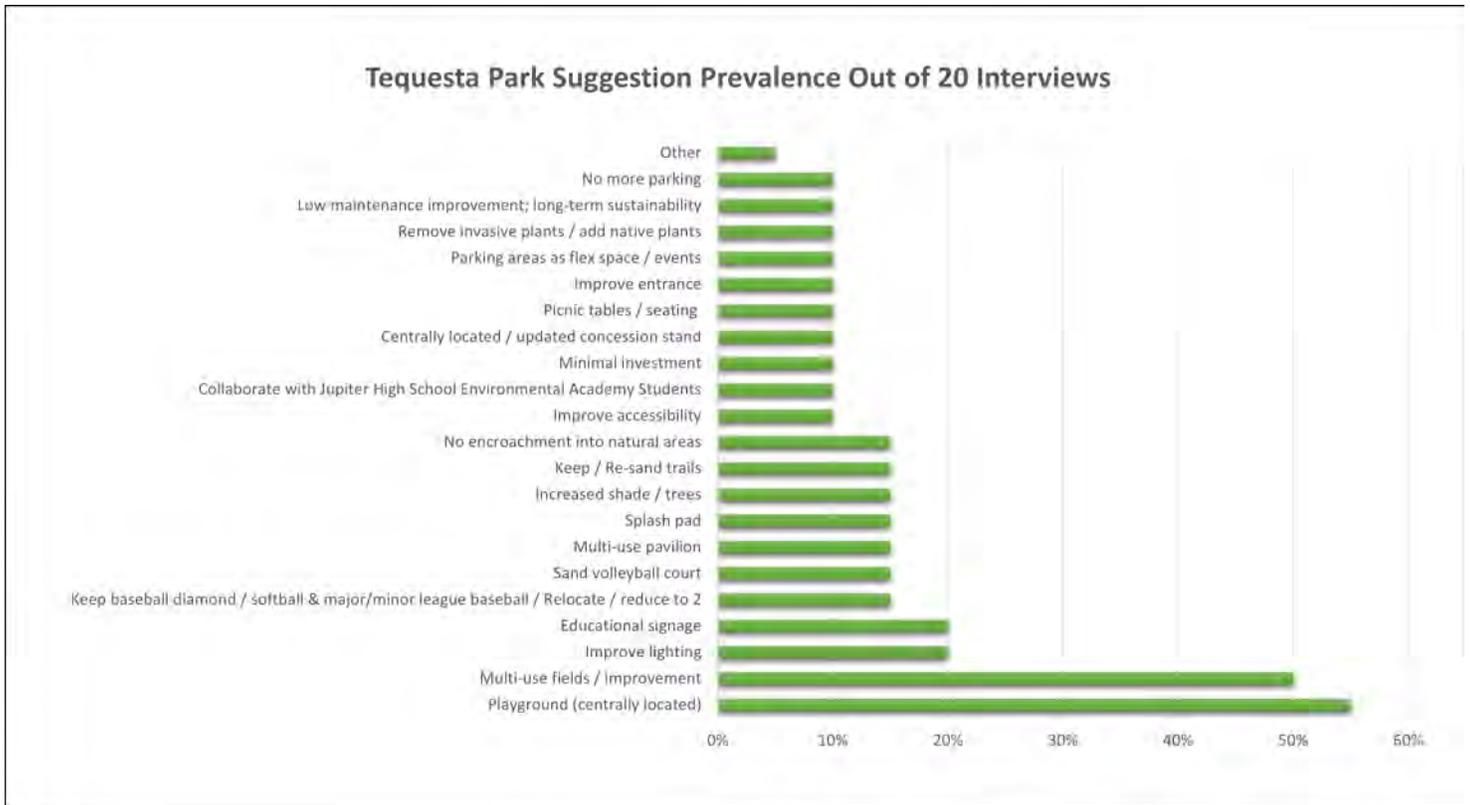
Nineteen (19) persons were interviewed for Remembrance Park. Sixty-three percent (63%) of interviewees mentioned a preference for a passive park at the RemembrancePark site. Fifty-eight percent (58%) prefer a path or trail around the park. Fifty-three percent (53%) mentioned the desire for connection between Riverside Drive and Seabrook Road (Figure 1).

Figure 1 – Remembrance Park



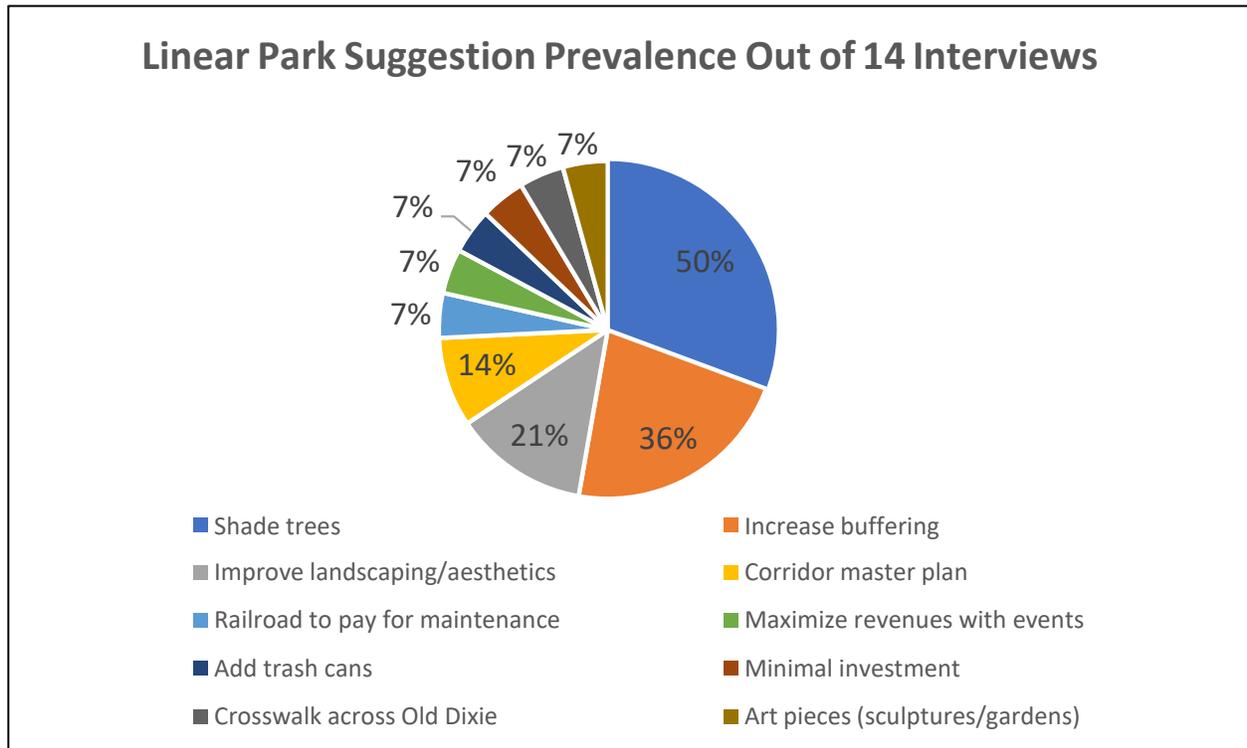
Twenty (20) persons were interviewed for Tequesta Park. With regard to Tequesta Park, Fifty-five percent (55%) of participants suggested a desire for a centrally located playground. Fifty percent (50%) preferred improved multi-use fields, and twenty percent (20%) recommended to improve lighting and install educational signage. (Figure 2).

Figure 2 – Tequesta Park



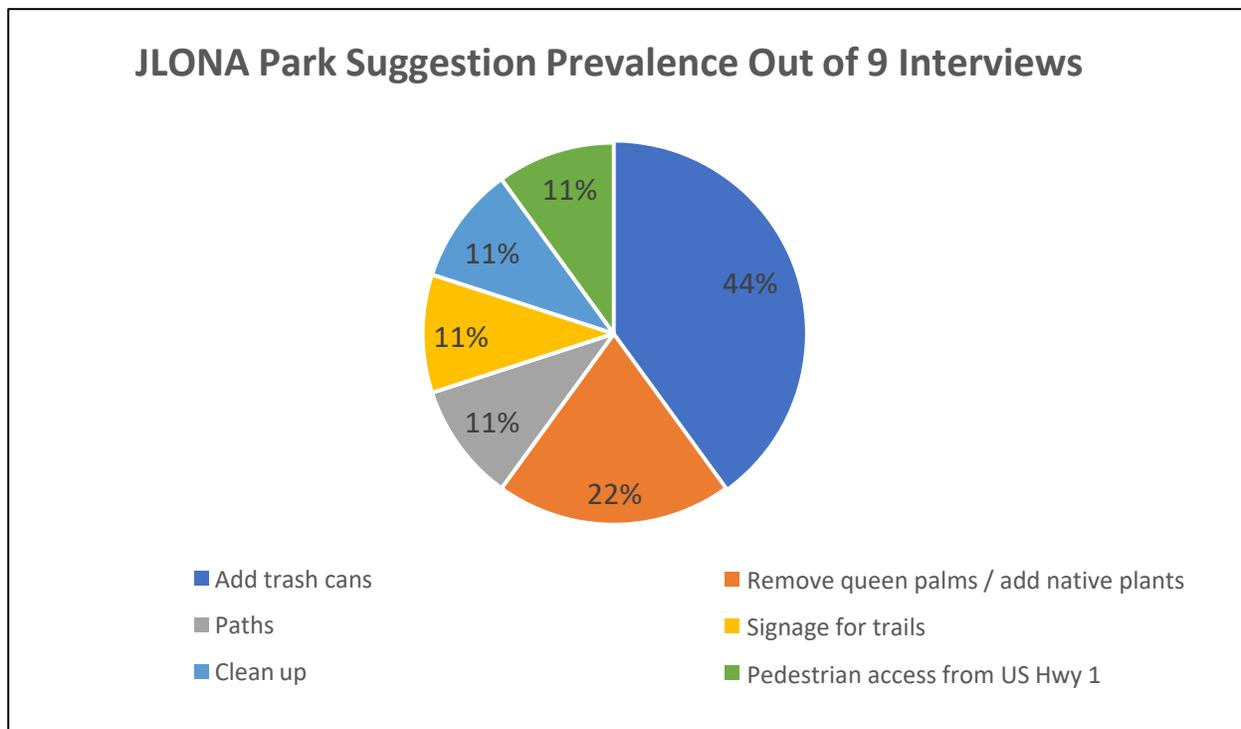
Fifty percent (50%) of respondents suggested shade trees for Linear Park. Thirty-six percent (36%) mentioned to increase the buffering landscape. Twenty-one percent (21%) stated the need for improved landscape and aesthetics, and fourteen percent (14%) suggested a corridor Master Plan (Figure 3).

Figure 3 – Linear Park



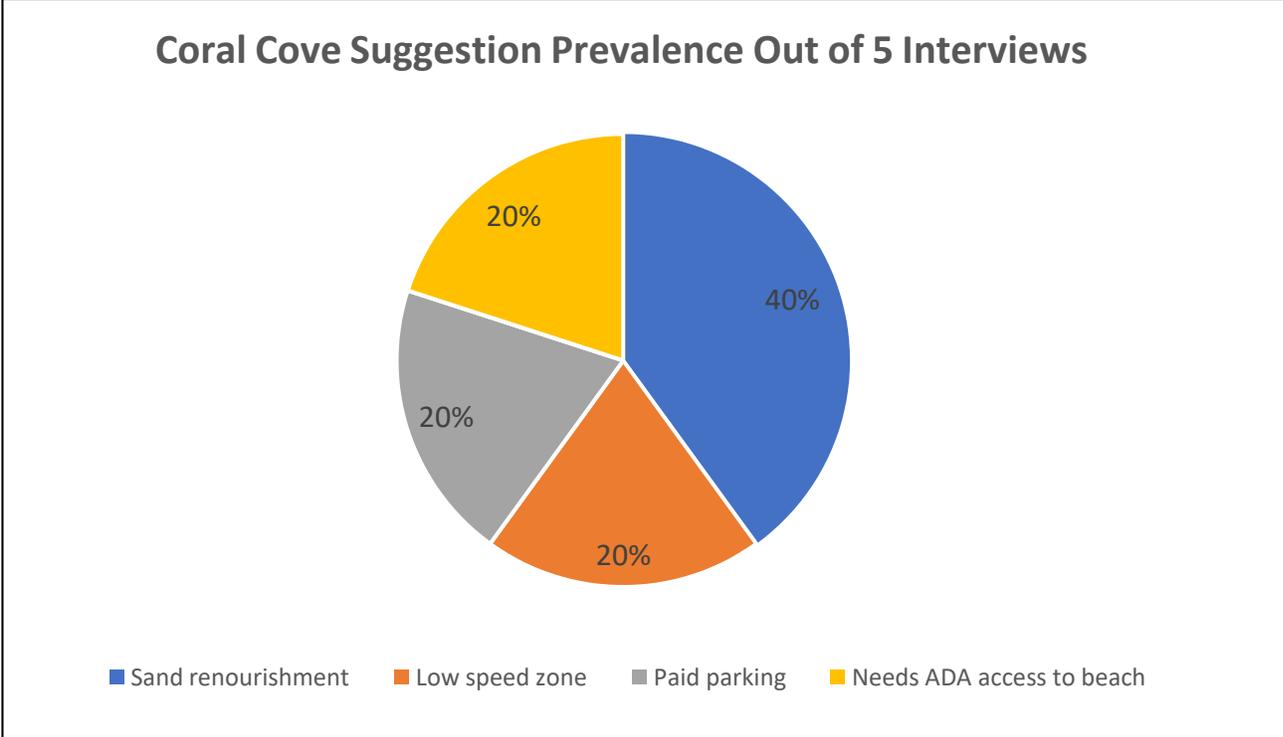
Forty-four percent (44%) of respondents suggest adding more trash cans in JLONA Park. Twenty-two percent (22%) want the removal of queen palms in order to add more native plants, and eleven percent (11%) stated the need for a pedestrian access from US Hwy 1 and trail signage (Figure 4).

Figure 4 – JLONA Park



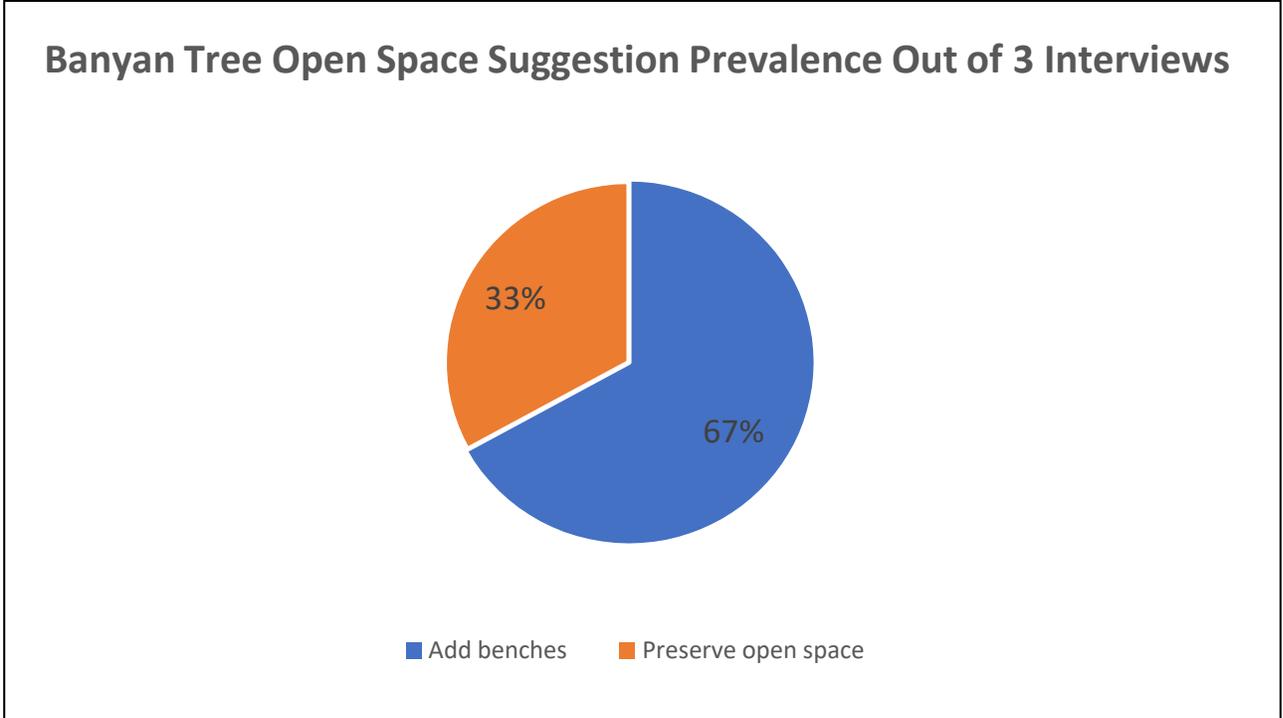
Forty percent (40%) of respondents suggested sand renourishment for the Coral Cove Park. Twenty percent (20%) suggested to establish a low speed zone and paid parking on Beach Road, and ADA accessibility to the beach (Figure 5).

Figure 5 – Coral Cove



Sixty-seven percent (67%) of respondents suggested more benches, and thirty-three (33%) would like to maintain the property as a preserved open space for the Banyan Tree site (Figure 6).

Figure 6 – Banyan Tree



2.4. Community Survey

The Project Team prepared a Community Survey with thirty-six (36) questions. The survey was available from October 12, 2021 to December 31, 2021, and it was advertised on the Village's website and all social media platforms. The kiosks at the different Village events were venues where the survey was provided to residents. The Project Team designed a poster with a QR Code that residents could scan with their phones to respond to the Community Survey questions.

Survey questions were intended to gather feedback from residents regarding Village parks. The survey initiative received 249 total responses (232 online and 17 paper copies). Highlights of the survey results and summaries of the park-specific public feedback are included in this section.

Summary of Results

Respondents were asked to identify if they reside within the Village of Tequesta to better understand from where the feedback was generating. The vast majority of the respondents were Village of Tequesta residents with a small percentage from outside the Village jurisdiction.

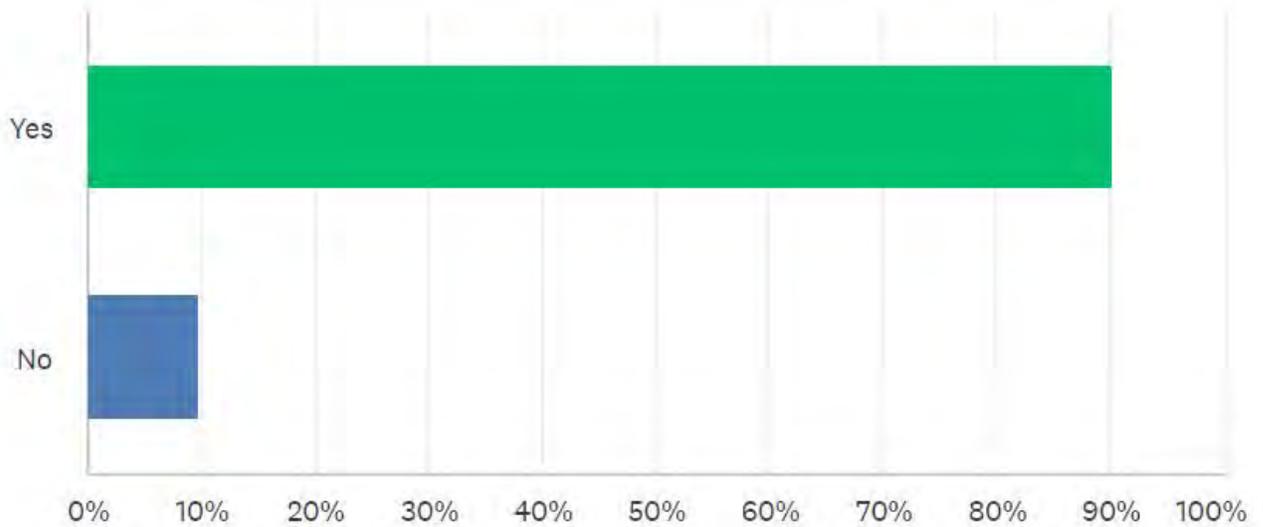
Generally, park use is influenced by age of the community. To characterize the age demographics of survey responses, residents were asked to identify their age group. Approximately half the respondents were in the 35-64 years old bracket, followed by the 65-74 age bracket. The majority of the survey participants have children in their household (more than 50%). When asked about the ages of the children in the household, more than 40 percent of the survey participants shared that they have children in the 6-10 years old bracket, closely followed by 2-5 years old bracket.

To better understand the residents' preferences and use of the Village's parks, respondents were asked to choose from a list their preferred Village parks. The Residents' most favored park in the Village is Constitution Park, followed by Coral Cove Park and Tequesta Park. A large number of survey participants feel that the Village parks are within walking/biking distance from their homes. Less than 20 percent do not feel there is adequate parks in their close vicinity. About 40 percent of survey participants prefer to walk to visit a park, while more than 30 percent prefer to drive, and more than 20 percent prefer to visit via bicycle.

The desire for park amenities was expressed in response to the question "What type of amenities are most important to you?" The residents chose from a list of options ranging from playgrounds to natural trails, walkways, and community gardens. Survey responses indicate a desire for park investment. When asked about the investment priorities, the responses revealed a similar importance placed on all options; however, the maintenance of the existing parks was emphasized.

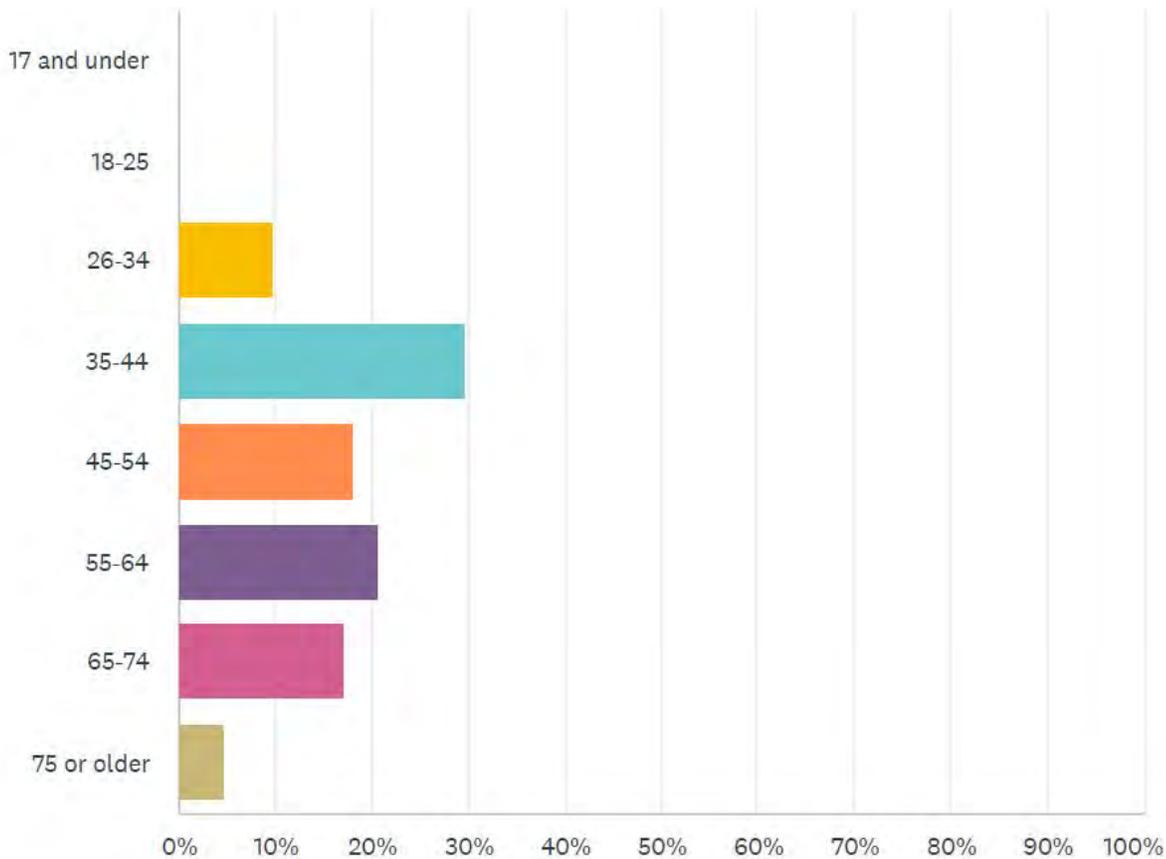
The following graphics present a summary of responses to the 36 questions included in the Community Survey:

1. **Are you a Village of Tequesta resident?** (A resident is defined as person who reside within the boundaries of the Village of Tequesta, who pays taxes to the Village and has the ability to vote in the municipal elections).

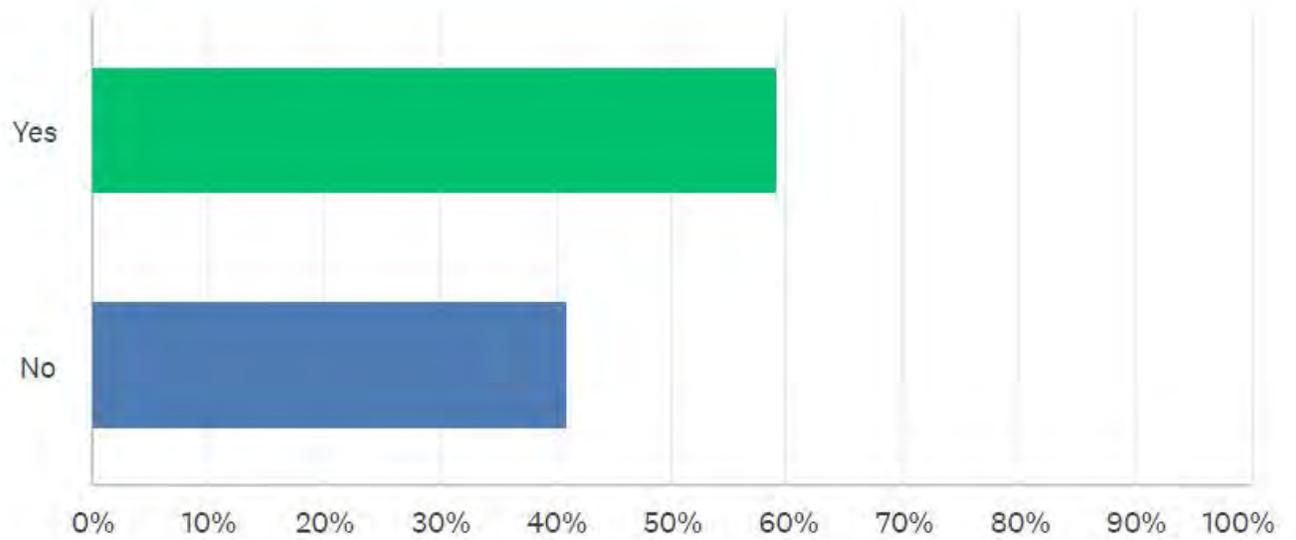


2. **Provide your home address (optional).** 88 open-ended responses.

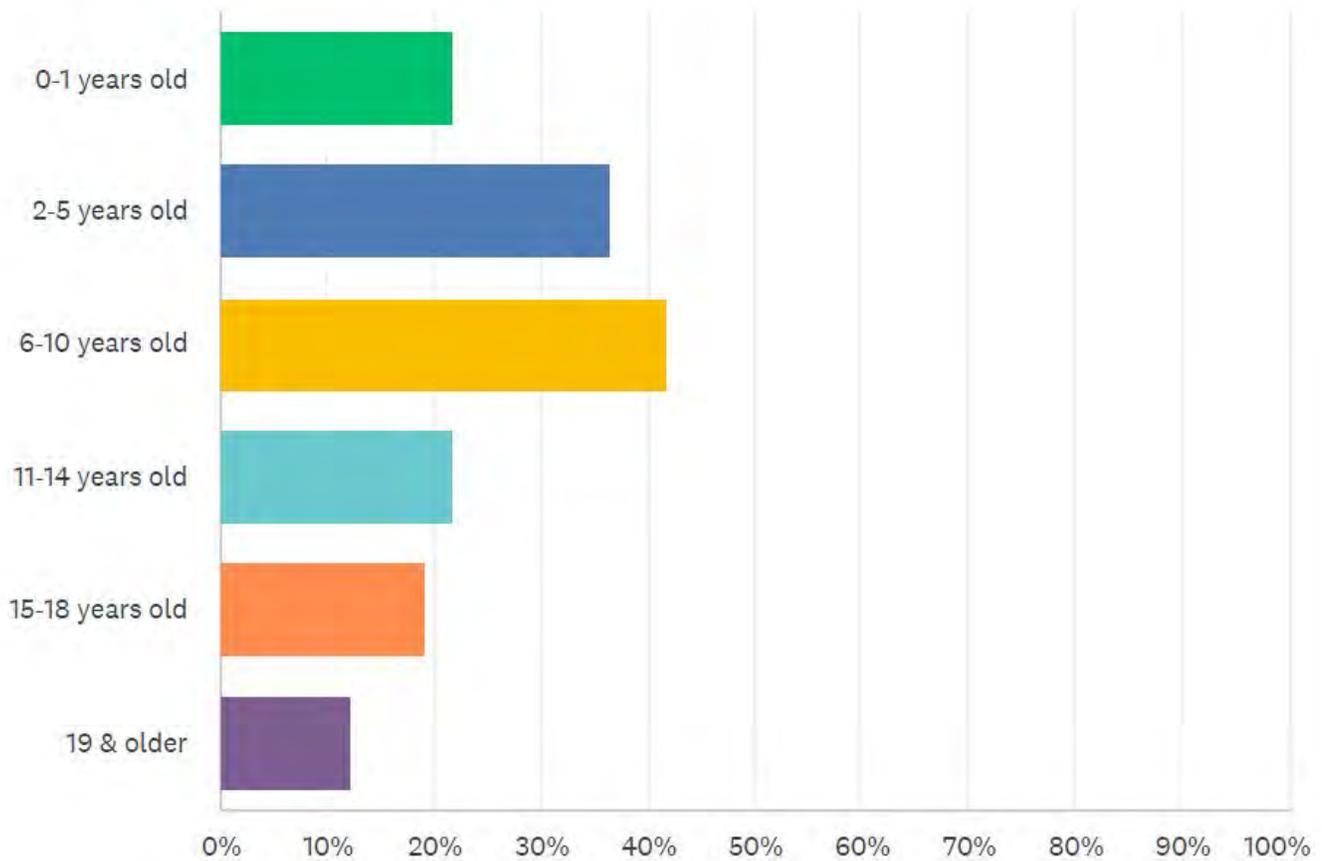
3. **What is your age?**



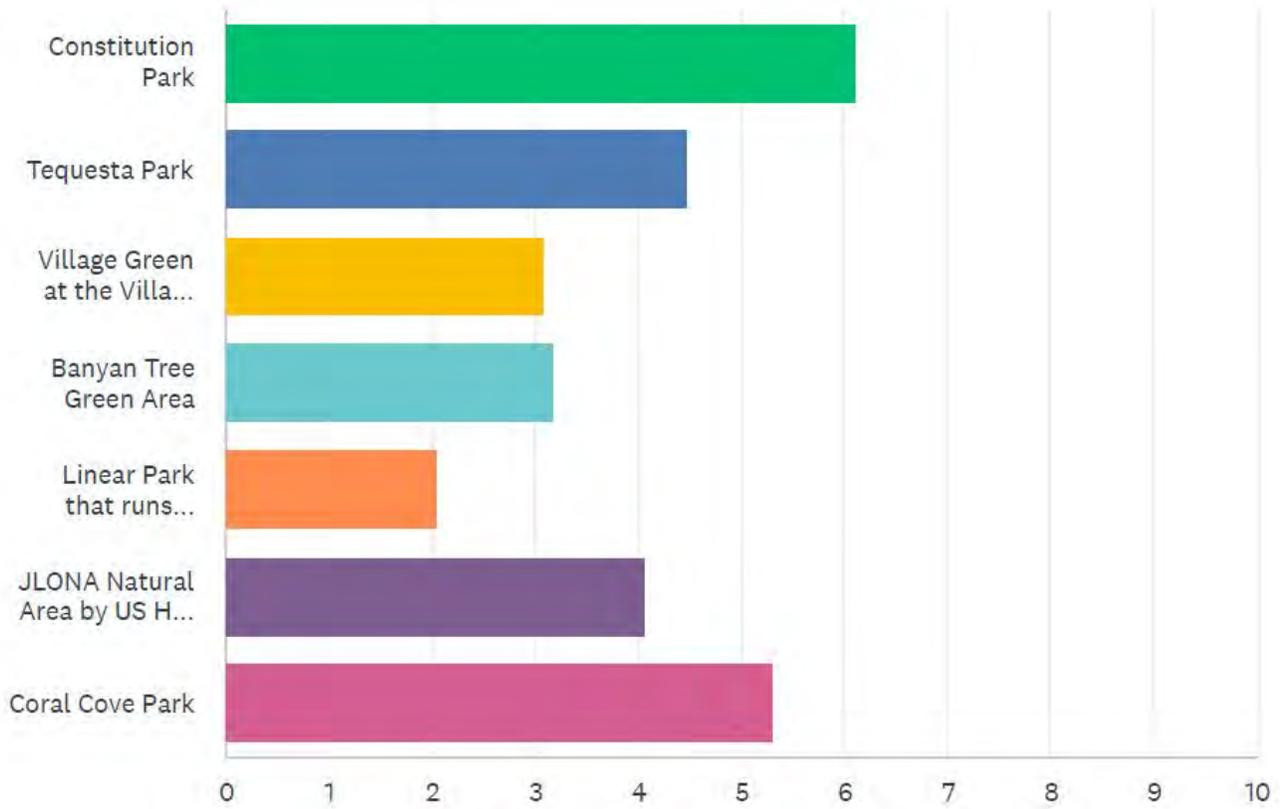
4. Does your household include children?



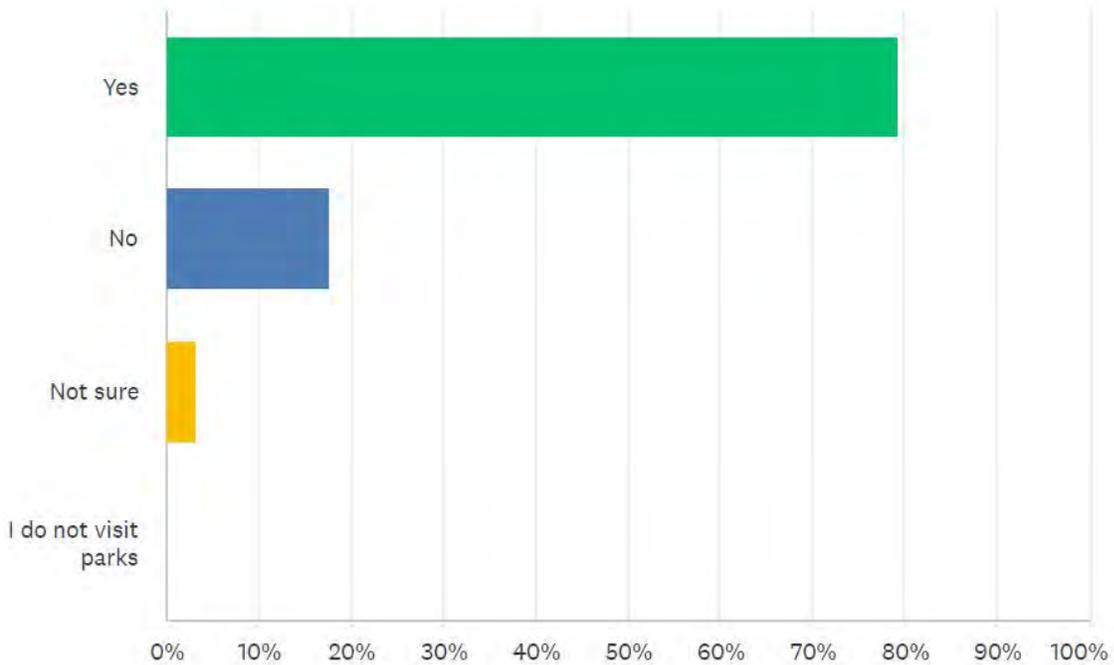
5. What are the ages of your children that live at home now? Please check all that apply.



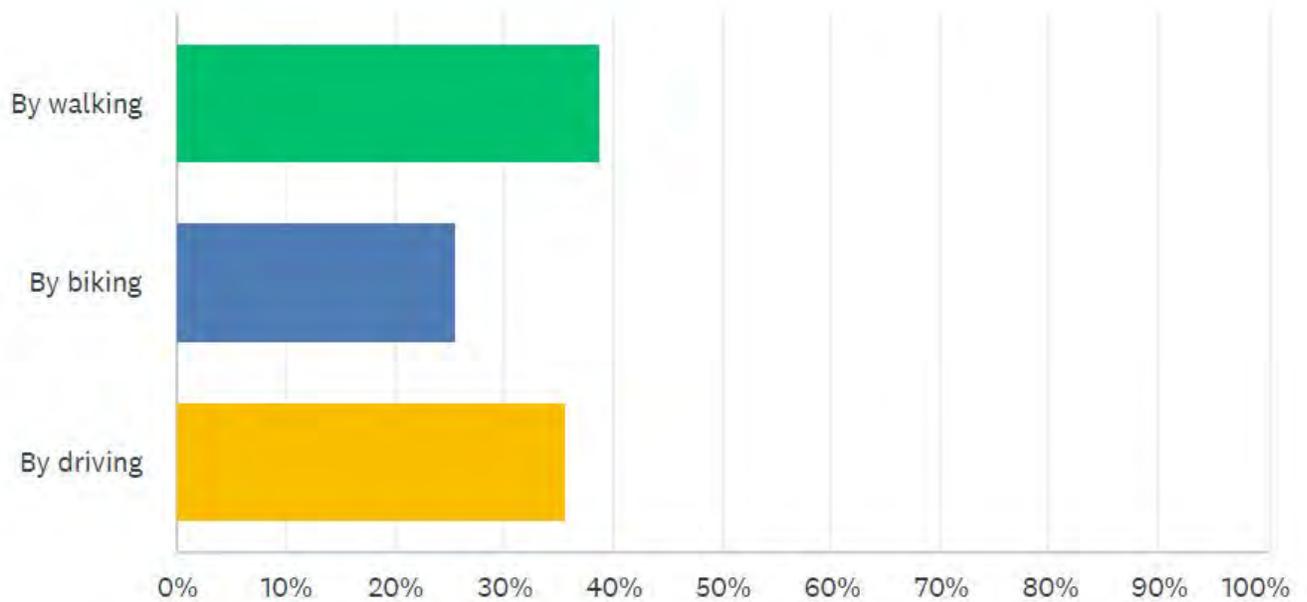
6. What are your favorite Parks and Open Spaces? Please rank each of the following parks in order of preference with #1 being your most favorite park to 7 being your least favorite park.



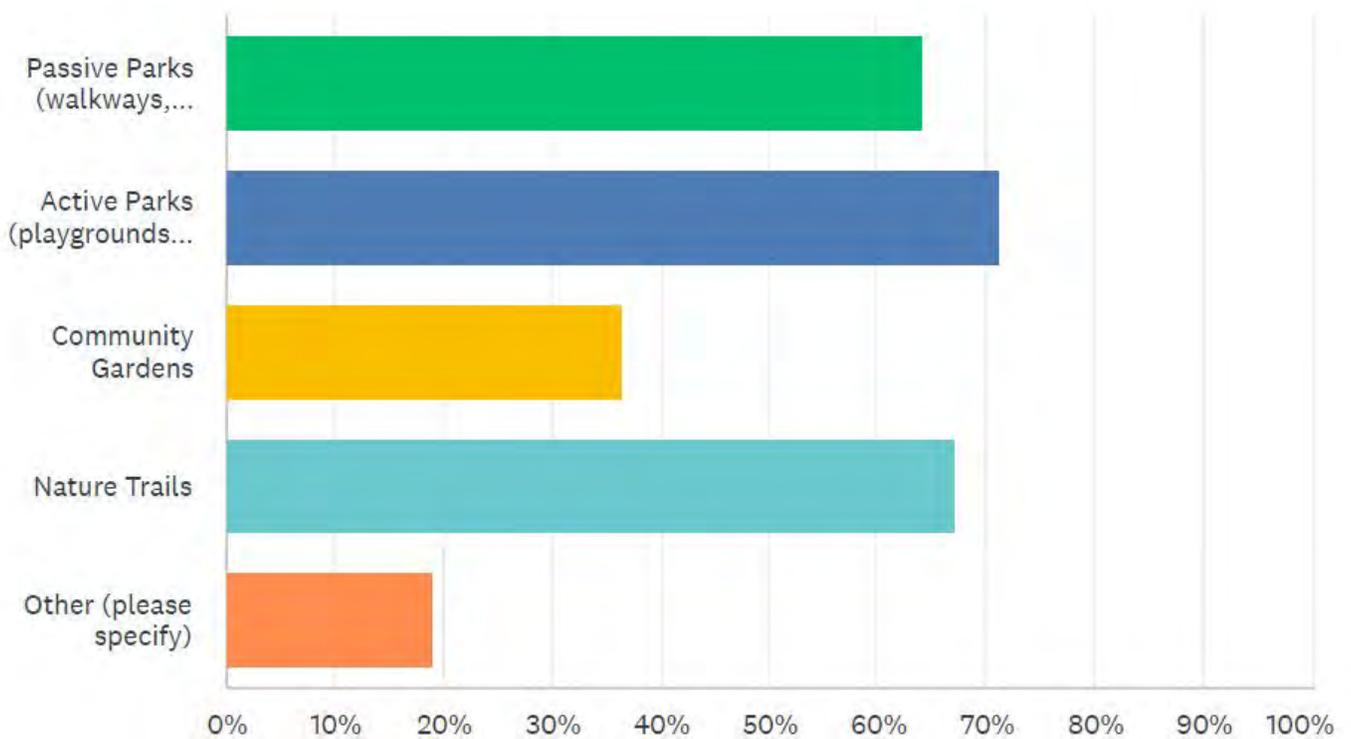
7. Do you feel there are adequate parks within walking biking distance from your home?



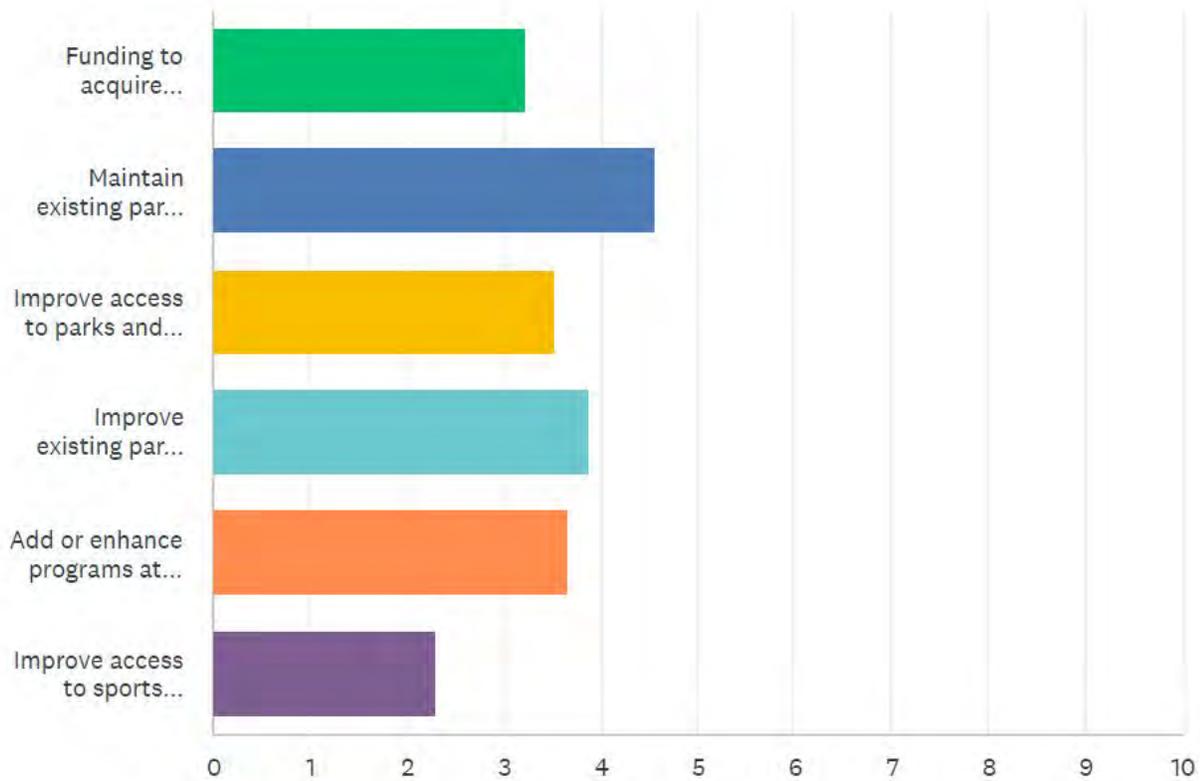
8. What is your preferred way to visit a park?



9. What type of amenities are most important to you? Please check all that apply.

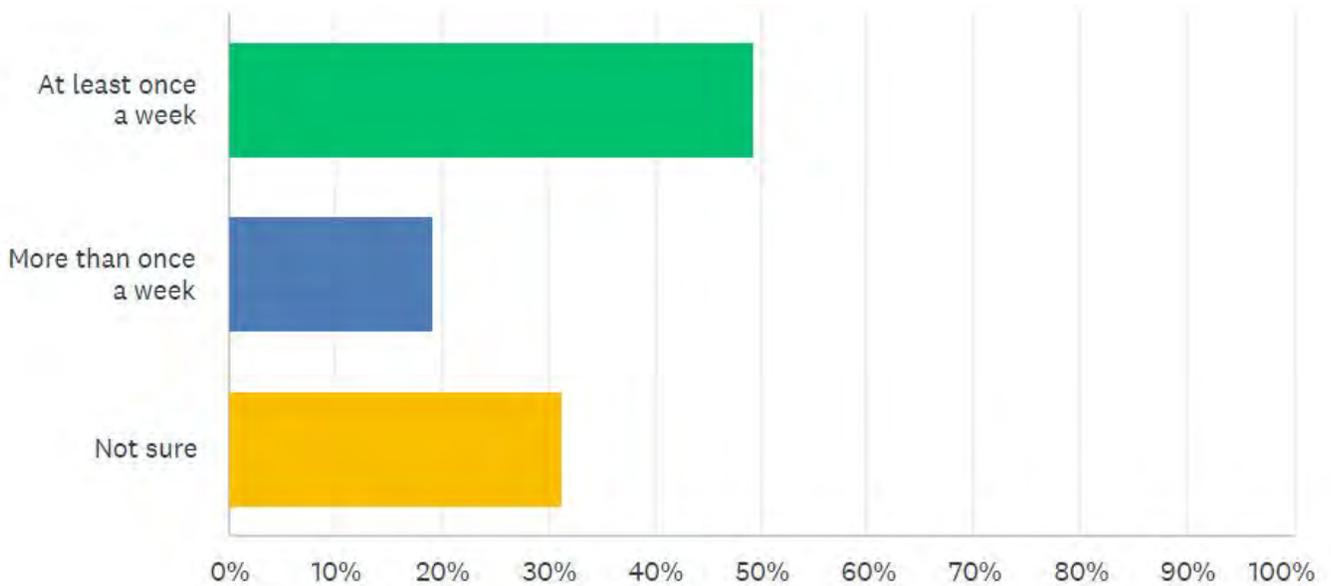


10. What are your priorities for park investment? (Please rank each of the following in order of importance with #1 being the most important to 6 being the least important).

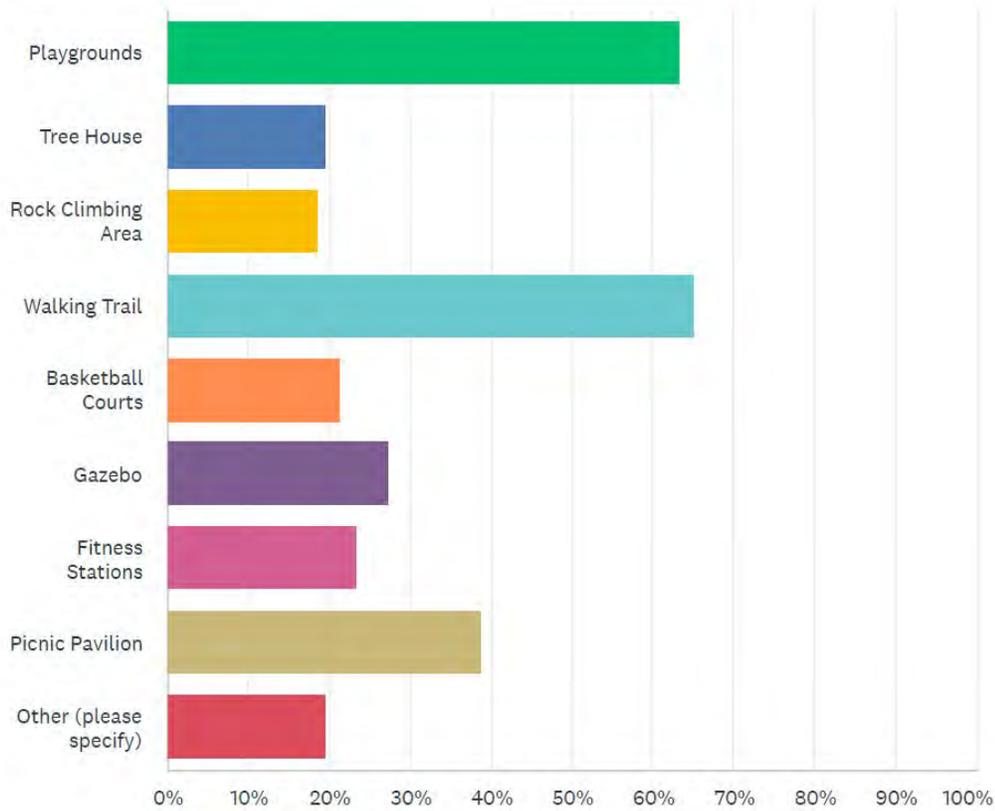


11. What other means of park investment do you suggest? 79 open-ended responses.

12. How often do you visit Constitution Park?

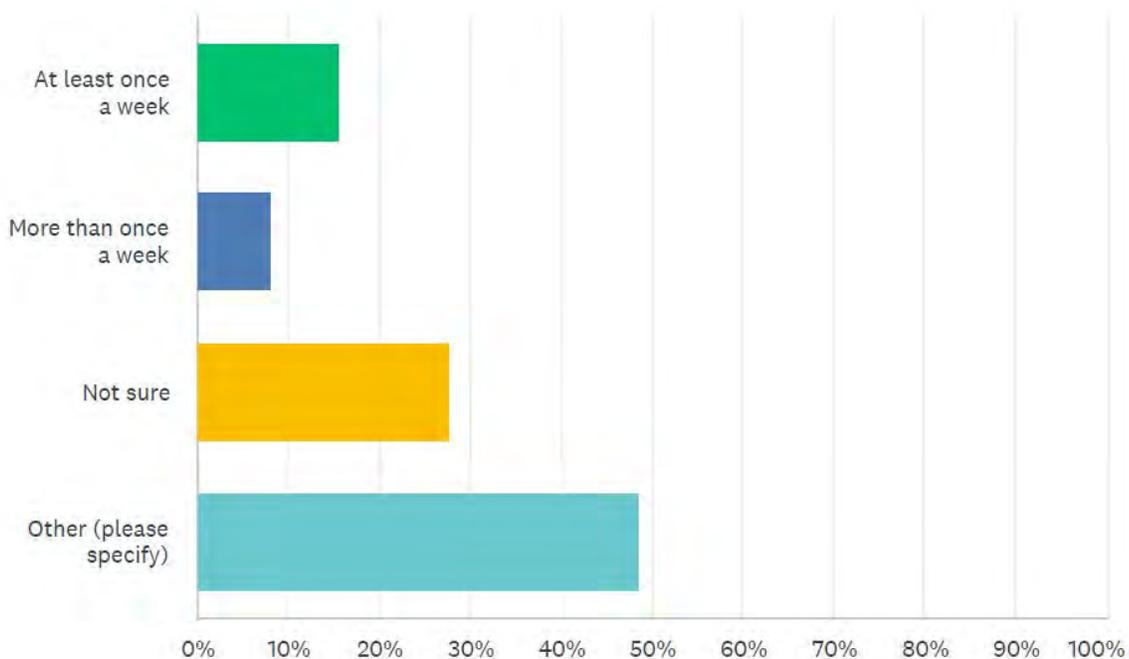


13. What are your favorite outdoor activities in Constitution Park? Please check all that apply.

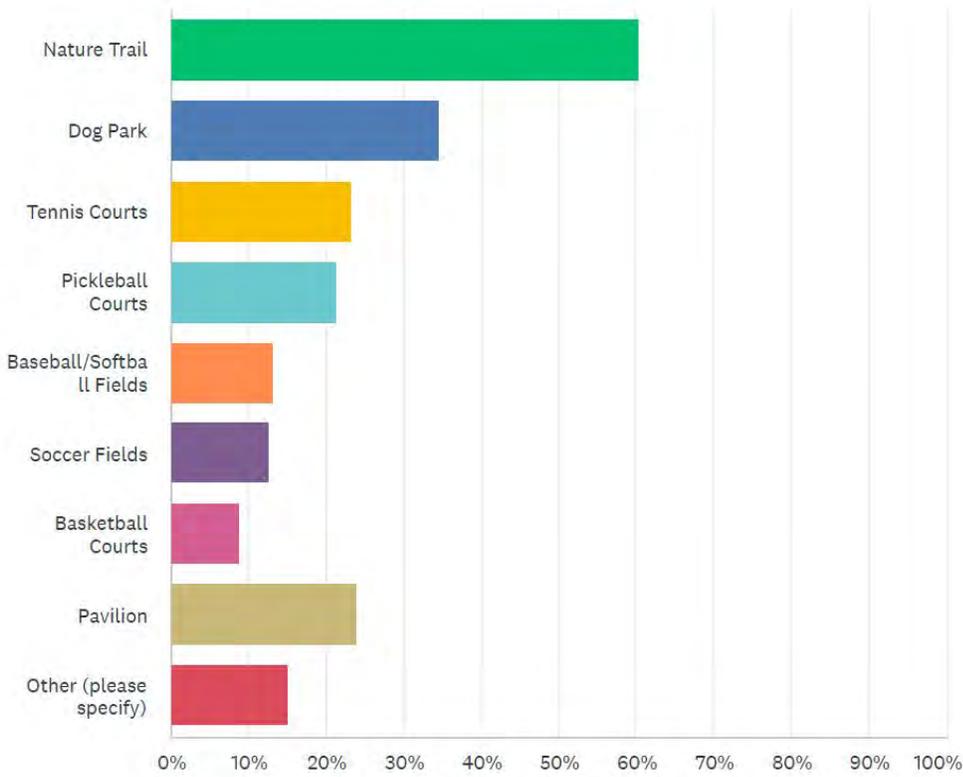


14. How would you improve Constitution Park? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you? 94 open-ended responses.

15. How often do you visit Tequesta Park? (42 acres park located on County Line Road in Martin County. The land is owned by the State and leased and operated by the Village of Tequesta to provide park and green space to residents and surrounding area).

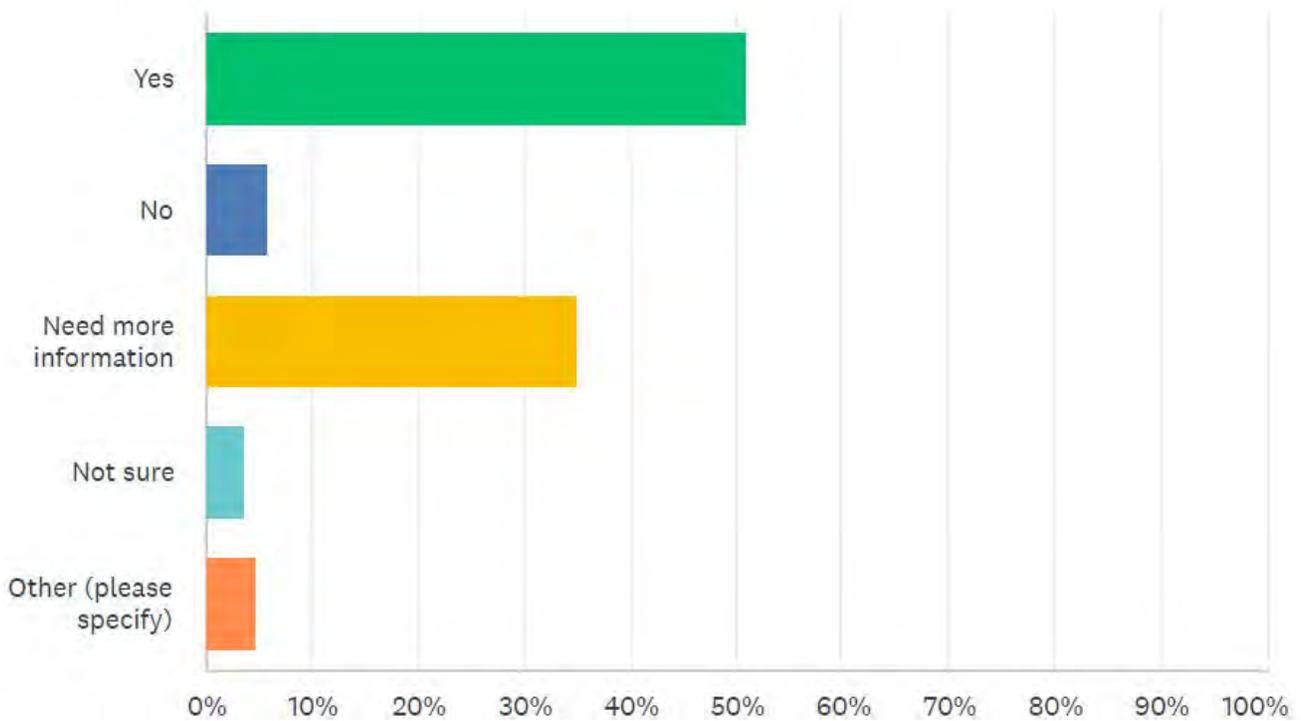


16. What are your favorite outdoor activities in Tequesta Park? Please check all that apply.

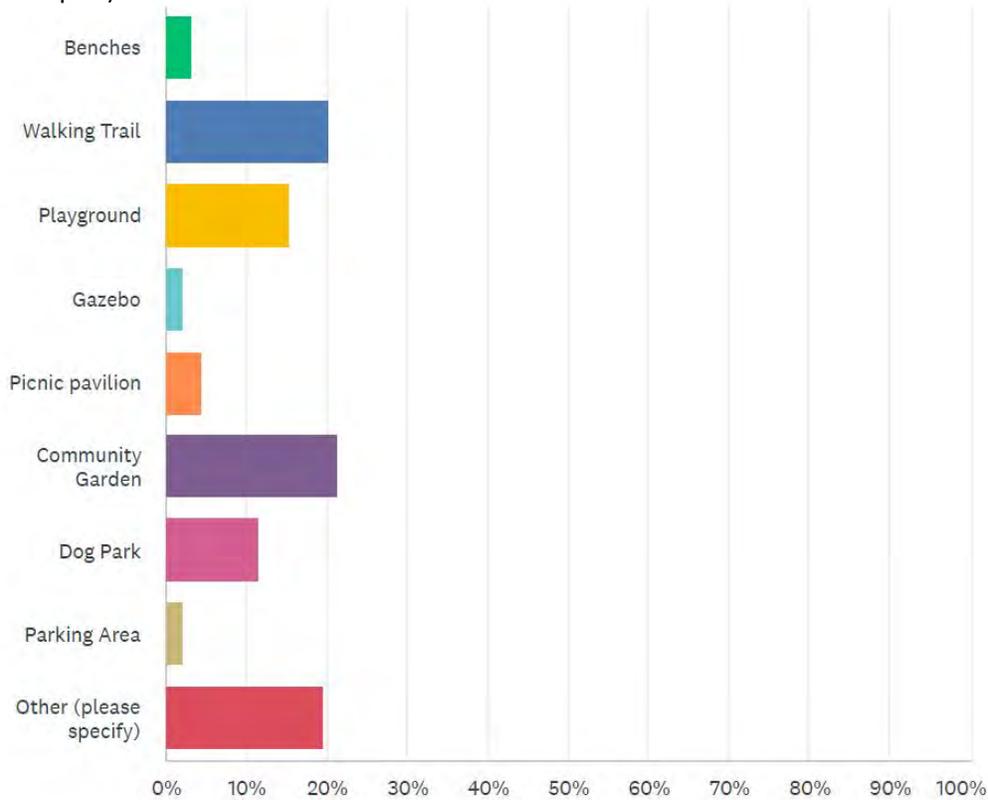


17. How would you improve Tequesta Park? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you? 105 open-ended responses.

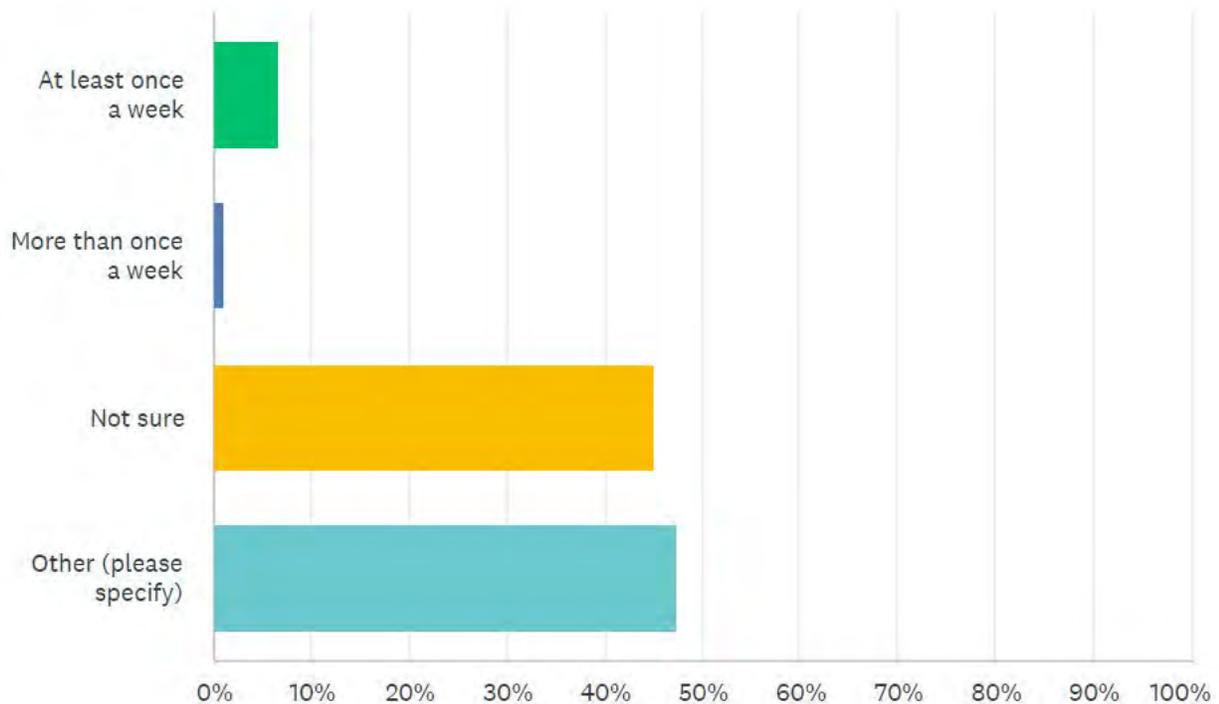
18. Do you support the State funding improvements to Tequesta Park?



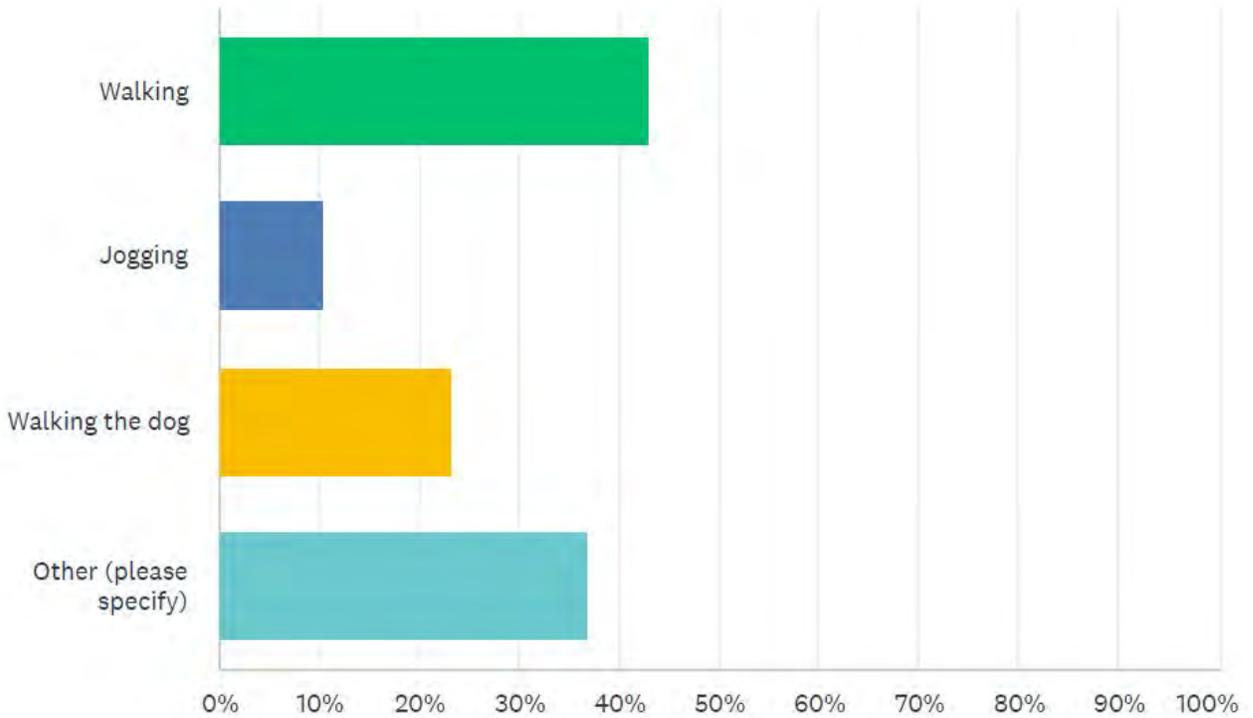
19. What type of amenity would you enjoy at the future Remembrance Park? (The Village owns a vacant parcel of land at 483 Seabrook Road that would like to develop a park, and would appreciate your input.)



20. How often do you visit the Linear Park that runs parallel to Old Dixie?

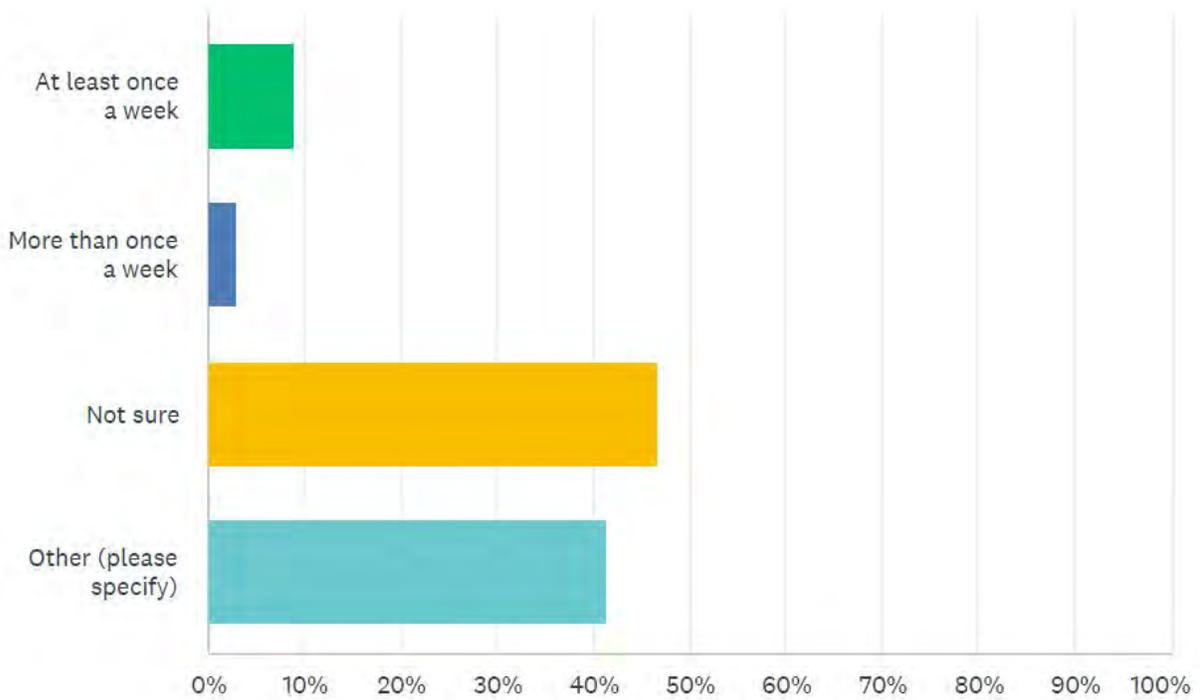


21. What are your favorite outdoor activities in the Linear Park? Please check all that apply.

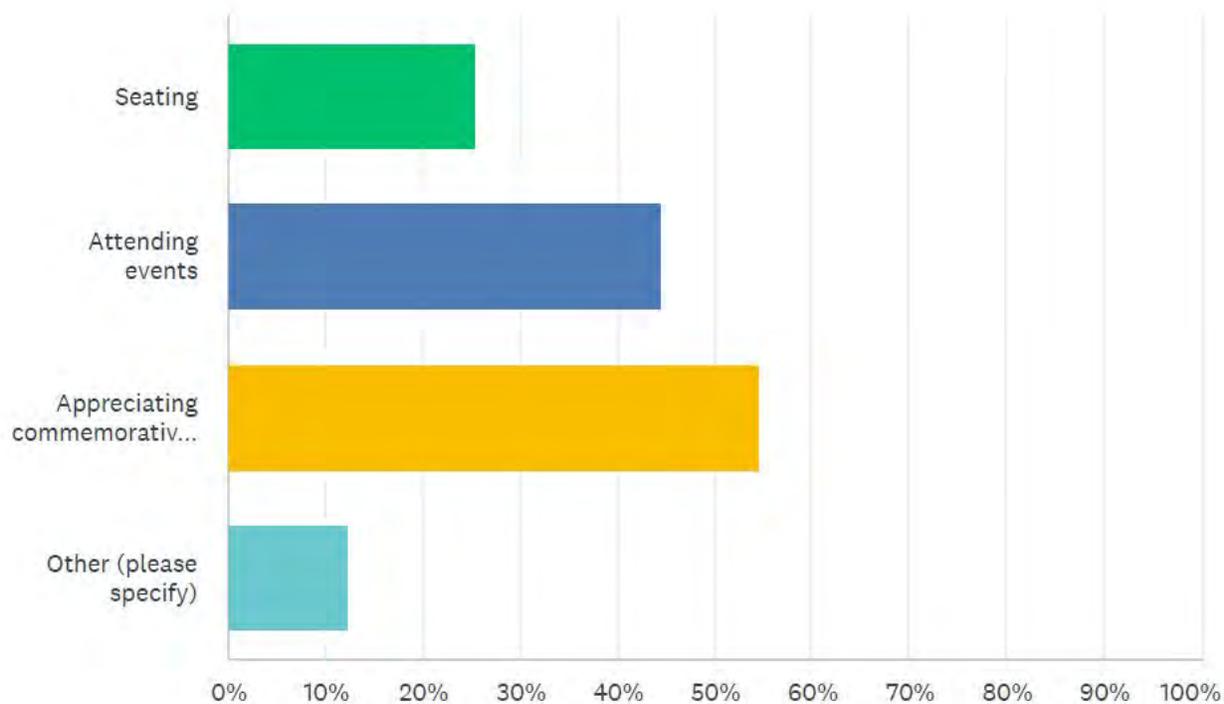


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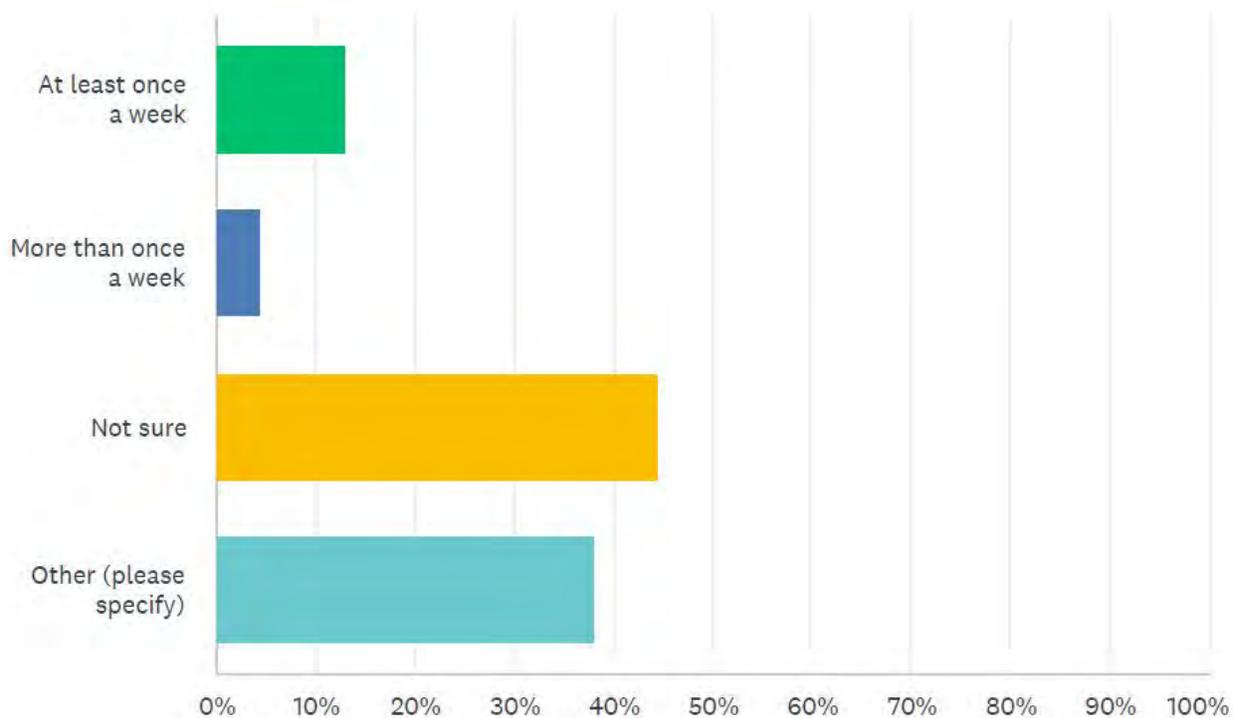


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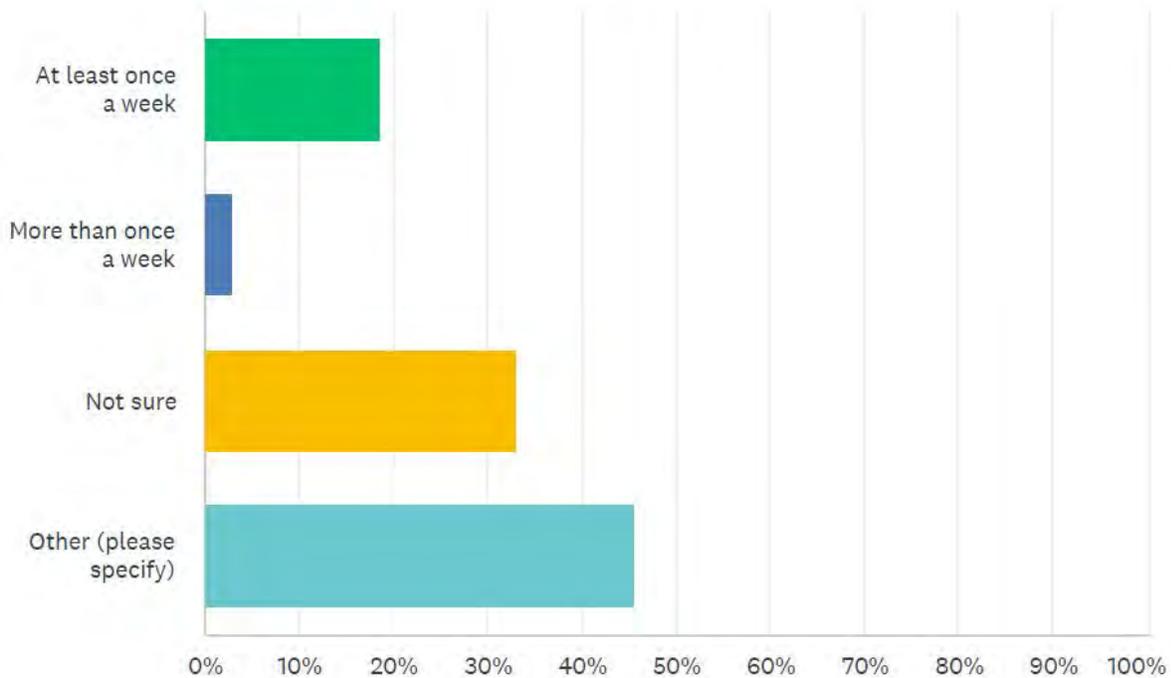
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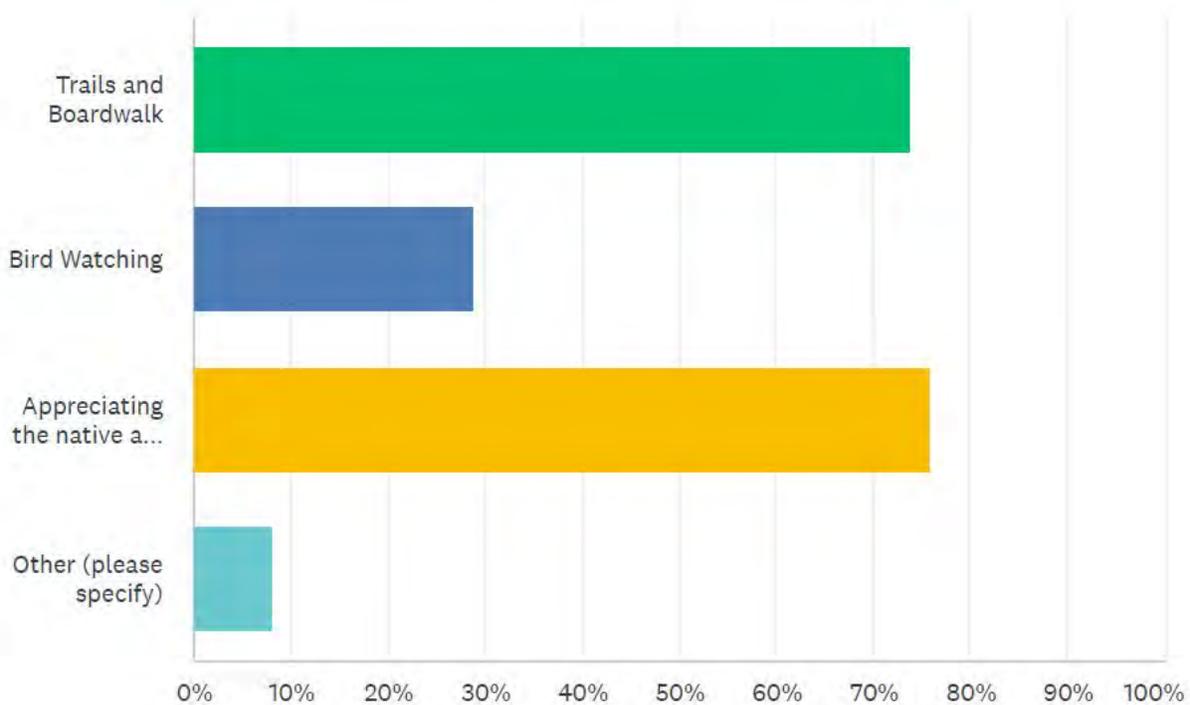


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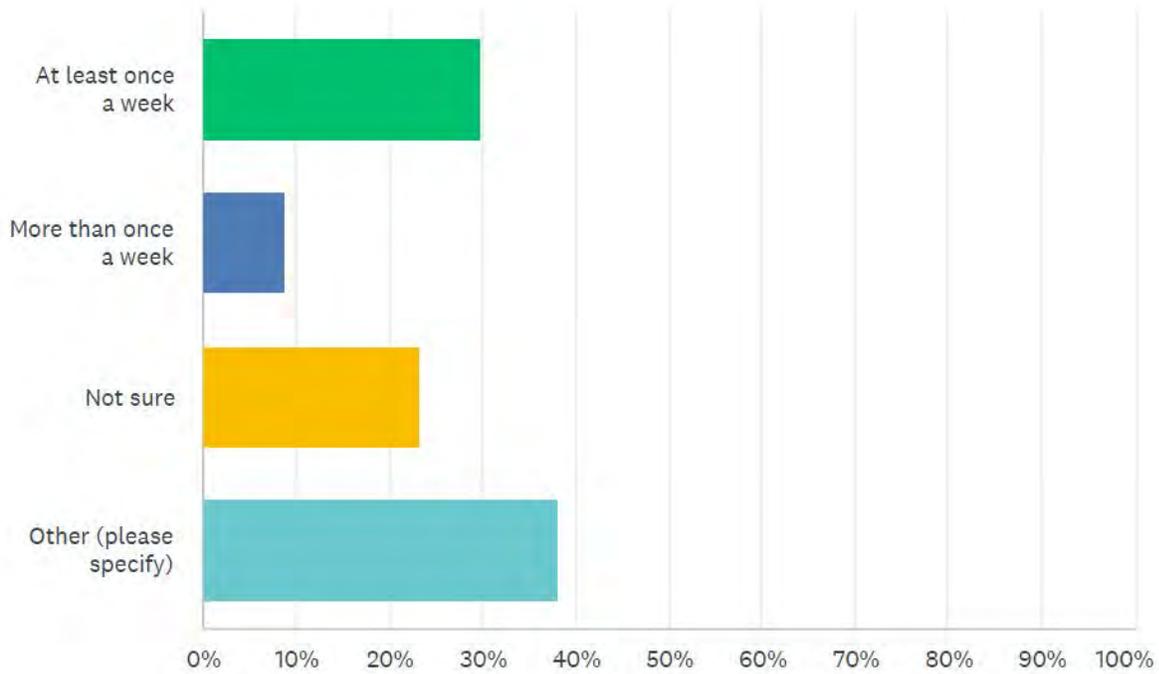


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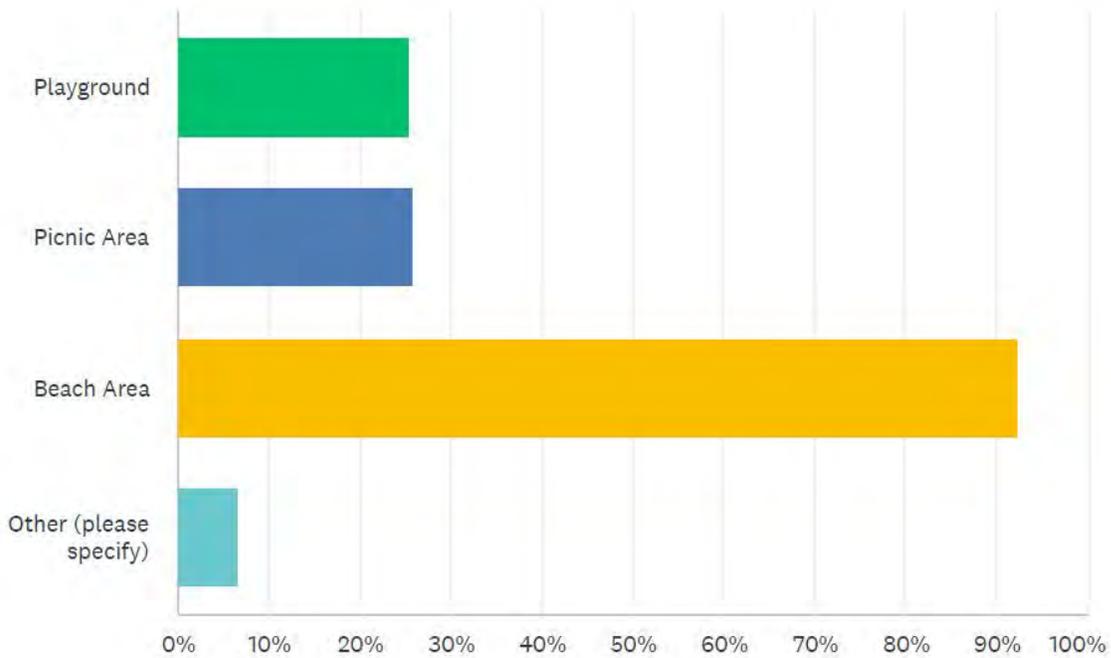


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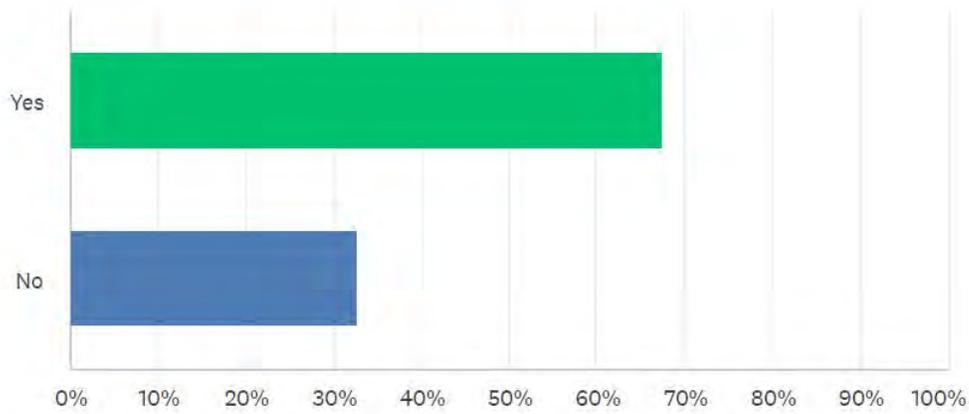


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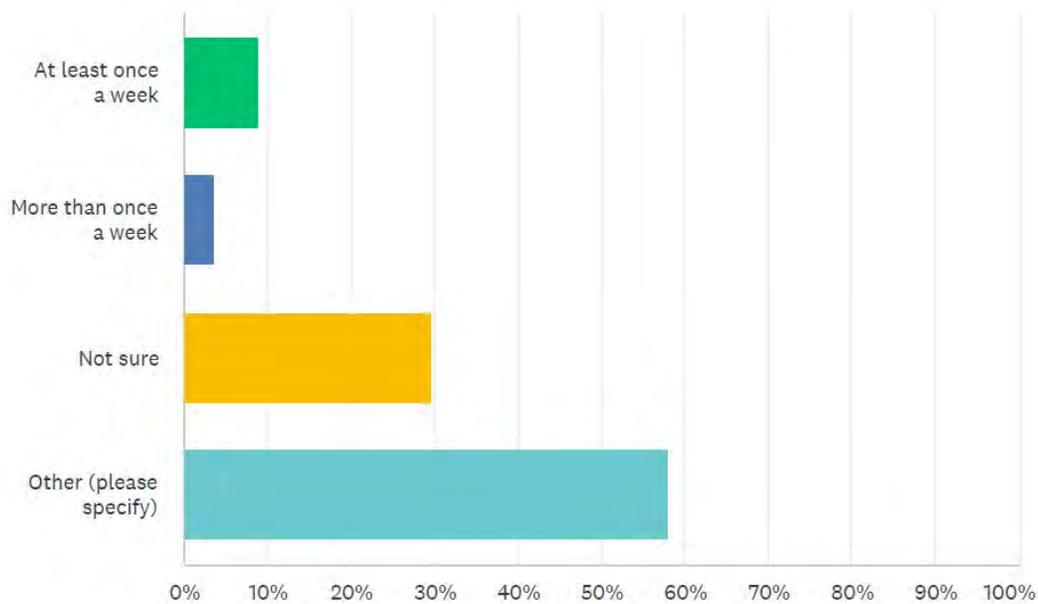


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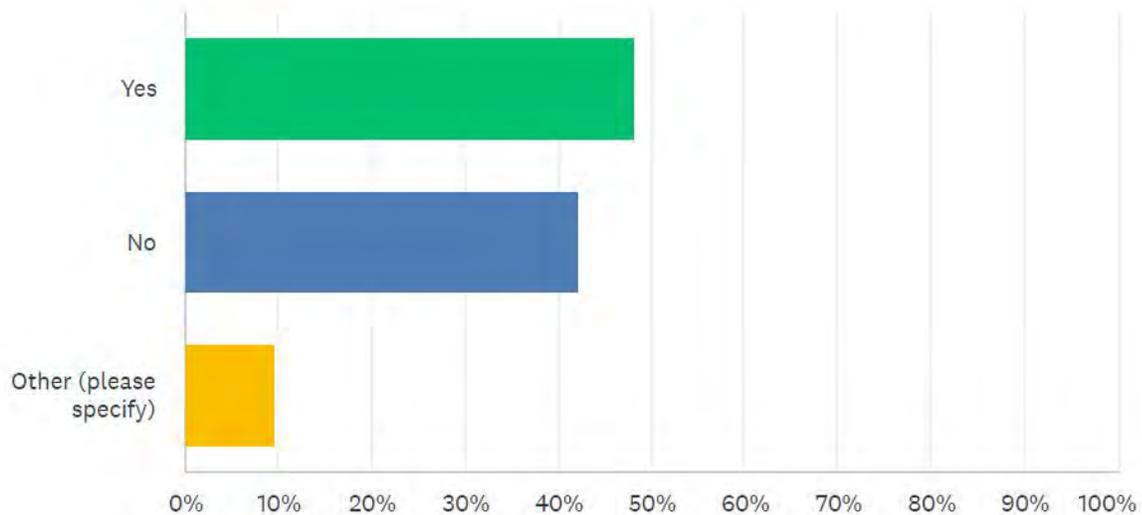
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35. How often do you visit the Dog Park at Tequesta Park?



36. Would you visit a dog park more often if you could walk to it?





CHAPTER 3. CONCEPTUAL DESIGNS

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The public outreach and community engagement processes were at the heart of this Parks Master Plan. The Project Team designed three conceptual plans for each Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park based on the community survey, interviews and input from residents received at multiple open houses and kiosk events.

Once the Project Team designed the conceptual plans, it was paramount to present them to the community and receive their comments and feedback. On the evenings of March 8 and 9, 2022, the Project Team conducted open houses to introduce the conceptual designs for both Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park at the Village Hall. The community was invited to contribute ideas and express their preferences regarding the different options and amenities. Also, at the Residents' Academy event on March 9, 2022, Mr. Jeremy Allen, Tequesta Village Manager, presented the design concepts to a group of residents.

At these open houses, the residents had the opportunity to place sticker dots on amenities they favored or opposed. Participants were provided three (3) colors of sticker dots: Green (In favor), Red (Not in favor), Yellow (Not sure). From March 10, 2022 to March 28, 2022 the proposed conceptual plans were exhibited in the Village Hall lobby along with surveys, so residents could provide their preferences. A drop box to collect the surveys was also placed in the lobby.





3.1 Remembrance Park

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTIONS

This section presents the three (3) Conceptual Plans designed for Remembrance Park based on the community participation and input. Please see the following Conceptual Design options A, B and C for Remembrance Park as presented to the community:



Remembrance Park

Conceptual Design

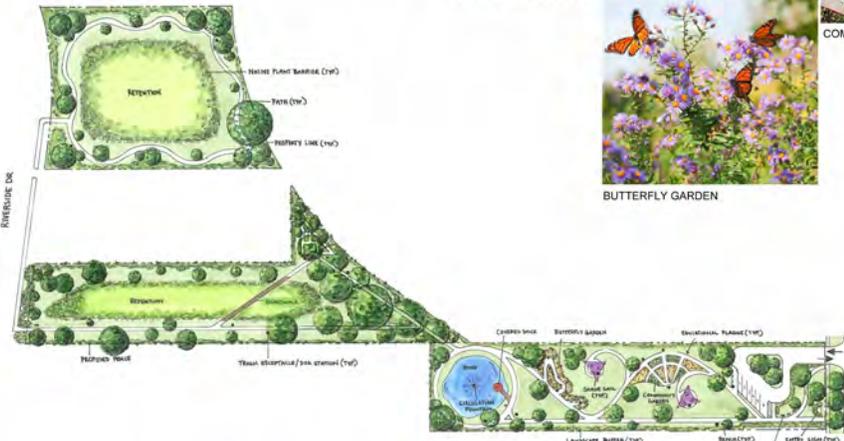
A

DOG STATION



BOARDWALK





EDUCATIONAL PLAQUES



COMMUNITY GARDEN



BUTTERFLY GARDEN



PAVER PARKING AREA



REMEMBRANCE PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN A
Scale: 1" = 40'-0"



POND



SHADE SAILS



BIKE RACK





Remembrance Park Conceptual Design

B

DOG STATION



BOARDWALK AND POND



BUTTERFLY GARDEN WITH EDUCATIONAL PLAQUES



SEATING PODS



GAZEBO



PAVER PARKING AREA



REMEMBRANCE PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN B

SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"



SMALL SHADED PLAYGROUND



BIKE RACK



Remembrance Park Conceptual Design

C

DOG STATION



BIKE RACK



FOUNTAIN



ENTRY ARCH



BIRD BATH



ART INSTALLATION



PAVER PARKING AREA



REMEMBRANCE PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN C

SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"

BUTTERFLY GARDEN AND EDUCATIONAL PLAQUES



SMALL SHADED PLAYGROUND

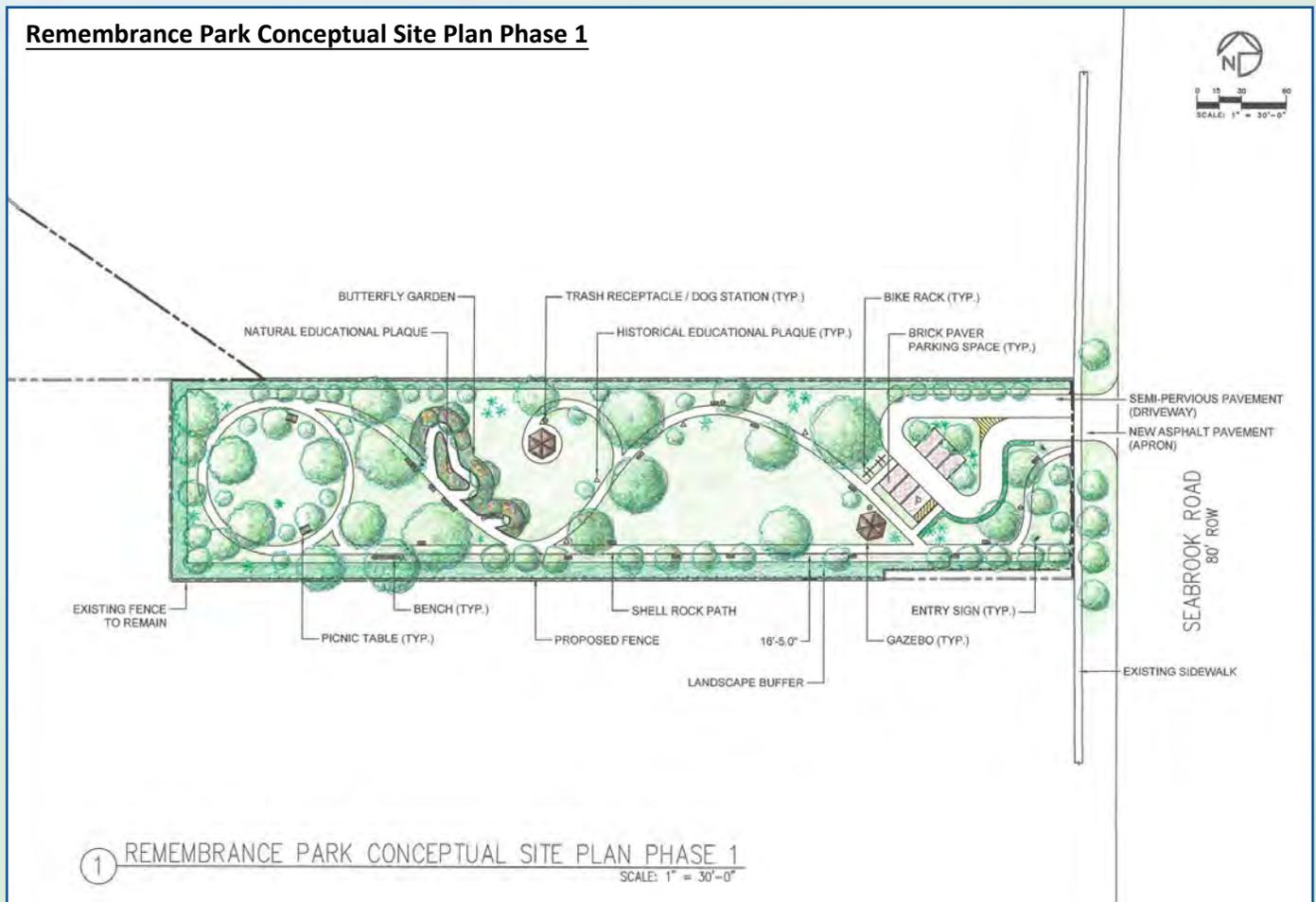


PROPOSED CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

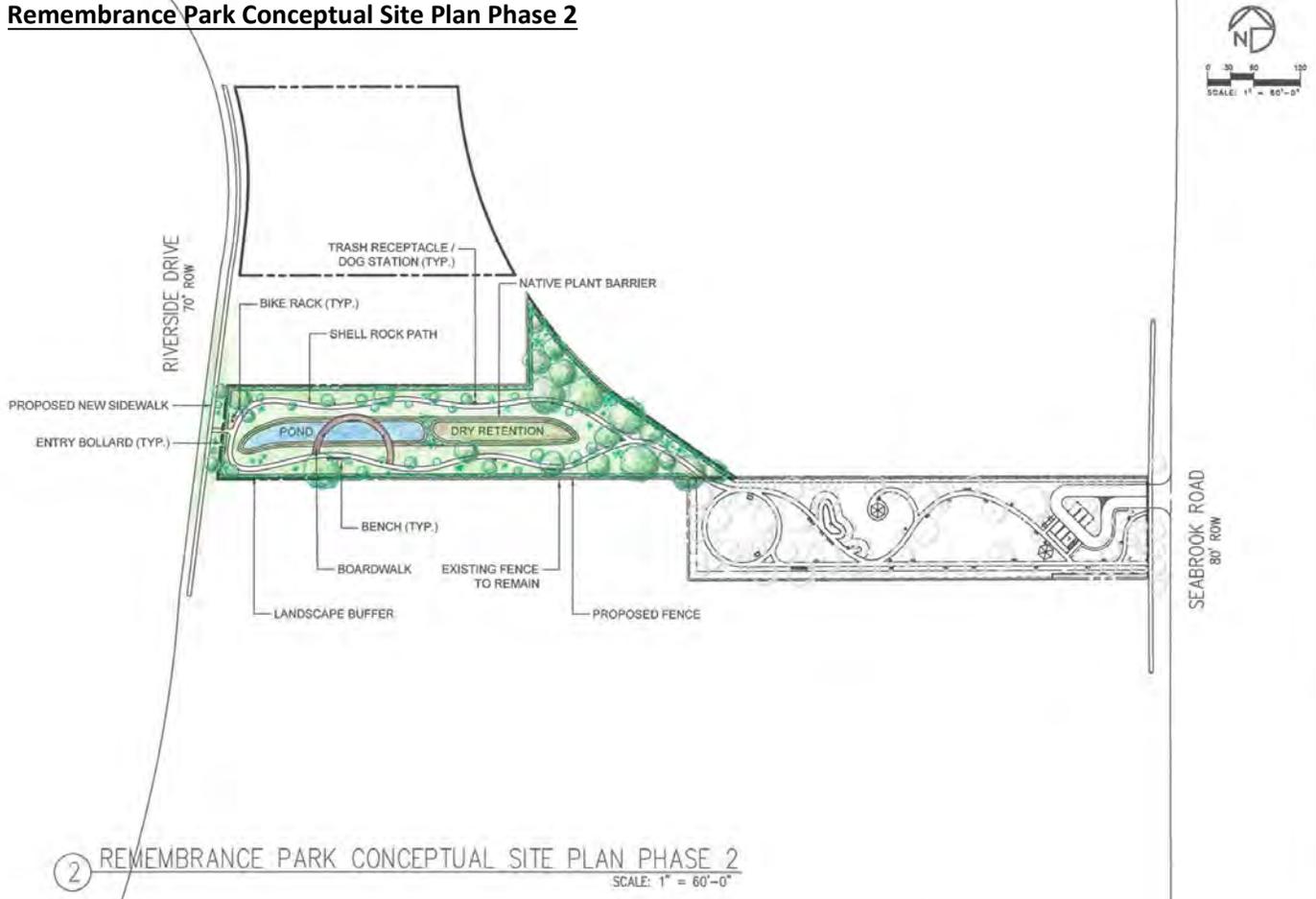
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The **proposed** passive Park Conceptual Design includes the following amenities:

- Seating benches, Trash Receptacles, Picnic tables
- Gazebos, Dog-stations
- Boardwalk and Pond in Retention Area
- Shell Rock Walkways
- Parking Area
- Butterfly Garden
- Open Space
- Entry Signs
- Perimeter Fence and Landscape Buffer
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- Shade Trees
- Educational and Historical Plaques
- Bike Racks
- Bollards along Right-of-Way of Retention Areas
- Parking Spaces with Permeable Driveways

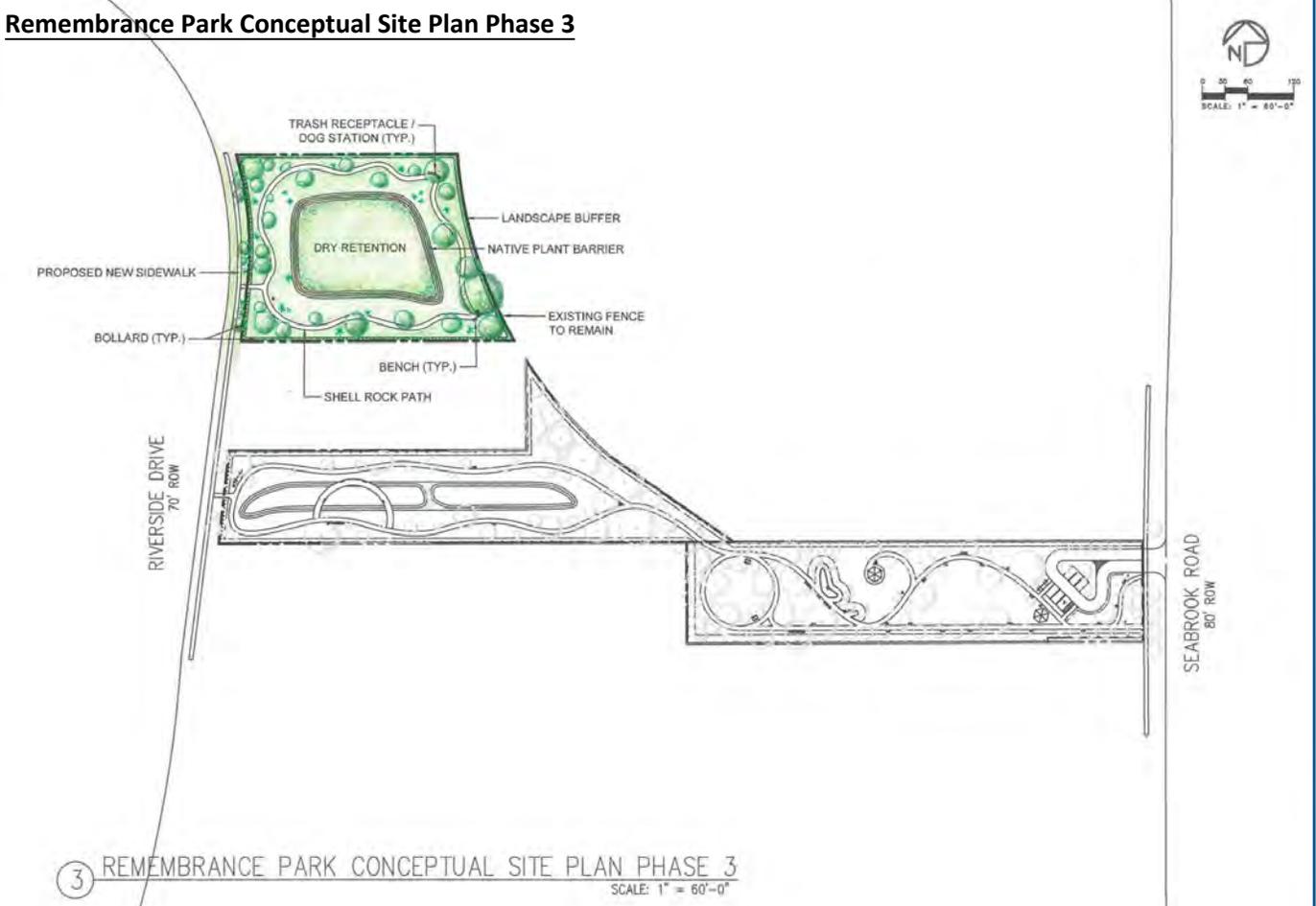


Remembrance Park Conceptual Site Plan Phase 2



② REMEMBRANCE PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN PHASE 2
SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"

Remembrance Park Conceptual Site Plan Phase 3



③ REMEMBRANCE PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN PHASE 3
SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"



3.2 Tequesta Park

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTIONS

This section presents the three (3) Conceptual Plan options designed for Tequesta Park based on the community participation and input. Please see the following Conceptual Design options A, B and C for Tequesta Park as presented to the community:



Tequesta Park Conceptual Design

A



BASEBALL FIELDS



PICNIC TABLES



WOOD DECKING





TEQUESTA PARK OPTION A

EDUCATIONAL PLAQUES




COMMUNITY GARDEN





PROPERTY LINE

COUNTY BOUNDARY

SE COUNTY LINE ROAD - 10' E.O.W.

EXERCISE STATIONS



SAND VOLLEYBALL



SHADED PLAYGROUND



SPLASH PAD





Tequesta Park Conceptual Design

B

EXERCISE STATIONS



BASEBALL FIELDS



EDUCATIONAL PLAQUES



TEQUESTA PARK OPTION B



SAND VOLLEYBALL



SPLASH PAD



SHADED PLAYGROUND



COMMUNITY GARDEN



PICNIC TABLES



WOOD DECKING



GAZEBO



Tequesta Park Conceptual Design

C

EDUCATIONAL PLAQUES



TEQUESTA PARK OPTION C



BASEBALL FIELDS



SAND VOLLEYBALL



SHADED PLAYGROUND



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WOOD DECKING

PROPOSED CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

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- One (1) Multi-use Field
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- Splash Pad
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- Exercise Stations
- Gazebos
- Improve Lighting
- Educational Plaques
- Directional Signage
- Shade Trees
- Native Landscaping
- Sand & Shell Rock Trails

In addition to the proposed amenities, the proposed design includes the existing features: Dog Park, Tennis Courts, Basketball Courts, and Pickleball Courts.



Tequesta Park Conceptual Site Plan





Our Parks

Our Values

CHAPTER 4. FINAL REMARKS

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4.1 Recommendations

Our Parks Our Values, Parks Master Plan initiative started in October 2021 with the purpose to prepare a long-term strategy for improving the Village of Tequesta's Parks. Public outreach and community engagement were at the heart of this Master Plan. The goal was to listen to residents and prepare a Plan based on their vision, ideas and feedback. Chapters 2 and 3 of this report present detailed information of the Proactive Public Participation Program (4Ps) and the multiple participation events.

The focus of the Parks Master Plan includes proposed conceptual designs for Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park. Also, this section includes a series of recommendations for the additional parks and open spaces included in the Master Plan.



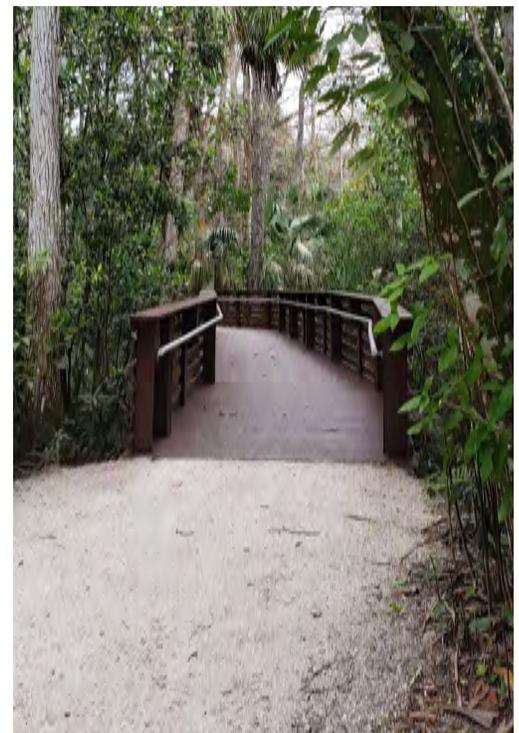
Remembrance Park

FINAL PROPOSED CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

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SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"



1 REMEMBRANCE PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN
SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"

Tequesta Park

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SCALE: 1" = 80'-0"



COUNTY BOUNDARY

SE COUNTY LINE ROAD - 90' ROW

OLD DIXIE HWY

PRIVATE ROAD - 30' ROW
FLORIDA EAST COAST RAILROAD

SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

LEGEND	
▽	NATURAL EDUCATIONAL PLAQUE (TYP.)
⊖	TRASH RECEPTACLE / DOG STATION (TYP.)
⊗	GAZEBO (TYP.)
⊕	EXERCISE STATION (TYP.)
⊙	PICNIC TABLE WITH UMBRELLA (TYP.)
△	DIRECTIONAL SIGN (TYP.)

1 TEQUESTA PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

SCALE: 1" = 80'-0"

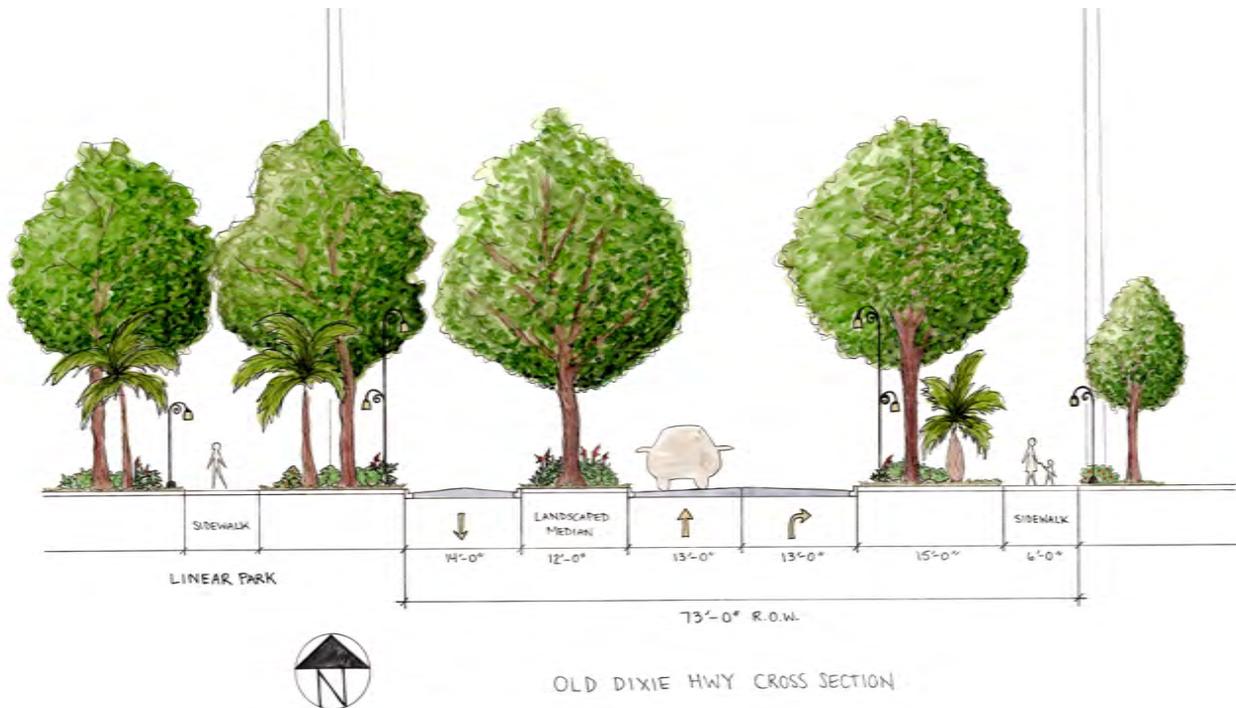
The following suggestions and recommendations were provided by the Village's residents:

Linear Park

Linear parks are elongated open space corridors which often follow the alignment of residential or commercial roads, and in some instances, they are built on land along a railroad right-of-way. The term "linear park" reflects the potential that it may also include other recreation or natural features and amenities desired by the community. The size and design of a linear park varies and depends on location and function but usually provides continued multi-use trails, seating, and recreation uses.

The goal of the Linear Park located along Old Dixie Highway is to address the community specific needs and offer safety and well-being by providing a comfortable and accessible path for people of all ages and abilities. This master plan was prepared to serve as a guideline for the community's desired improvements for the Village's Linear Park including the following recommendations:

- Add shade trees along the walkway
- Include hedges toward Old Dixie Hwy to provide a landscape buffer for safety reasons
- Improve landscaping to enhance the aesthetics of the corridor
- Provide trash receptacles and seating benches
- Install a cross walk on the corner of Village Boulevard to promote connectivity with Tequesta Park
- Reach out to Palm Beach County to recommend a median with trees on Old Dixie Hwy.



The above graphic was prepared for the Commercial Corridor Charrette conducted by the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC).

Point Drive Open Space (Banyan Tree)

This Banyan tree site is surrounded by residential homes, and it has been embraced by the community because of its character and beauty. The recommendations are as follows:

- Add a trash receptacle
- Include an additional seating bench (currently there is only one seating bench)
- Preserve this open space

Jupiter Lighthouse Outstanding Area (JLONA)

Even though this land is owned and maintained by the Federal Government; the Village's residents provided the following recommendations to improve this site:

- Add trash receptacles and additional trail signages
- Plant native trees toward US Hwy 1
- Provide a pedestrian and bicycle access from US Highway 1 to facilitate connectivity and access for residents

Coral Cove Park

This Park has been within the boundaries of the Village of Tequesta since 1985; however, it is owned and maintained by Palm Beach County. The recommendations are as follows:

- Improve beach area by a Restoration Program
- Add a low speed zone and paid parking on Beach Road
- Include ADA access to the beach

Additional Recommendations

1. Prepare a Multi-Use Trail System Plan.

This plan will offer an interconnected system of bike and pedestrian trails that will facilitate the access to parks and open spaces. The plan will seek to provide multi-use experiences for a wide range of users and healthy recreation opportunities along the way.

The Multi-Use Trail System will be a complement to the Parks Master Plan and play a key role in providing connections between the Village's parks and open spaces. The goal is to promote walking and biking, rather than driving, to the parks by utilizing sidewalks and bike and pedestrian trails. This initiative will focus on the connections between the neighborhoods and the natural destinations to promote physical and mental health benefits for the community.

2. Implement the Objectives and Policies included in the Recreation and Open Space Element of Comprehensive Plan presented in Chapter 1 of this Report.

4.2. Next Steps

Our Parks Our Values Master Plan provides the vision of the residents, and it will serve as a road map for a long-term strategy and funding to improve and develop the Village of Tequesta Parks.

The subject document will facilitate application for grants, since it is based on a village-wide community participation process and includes in-depth information. Most importantly, this Parks Master Plan will allow the Village to allocate specific amounts into each year's capital improvement budget. The Village Manager and the Village Council will be able to determine and break into phases the desired improvements for each park.

Once the Parks Master Plan is adopted by the Village Council, the next step for Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park is to proceed with final design drawings to be prepared by landscape architects and engineers based on technical surveys. The final design documents will provide specifications and an estimated cost of construction.

With regard to other parks and open spaces owned or maintained by the Village, the recommendation section includes improvements suggested by the community. The next step is to assess the priorities in terms of budgeting and design. With regard to JLONA and Coral Cove Park, the Village will provide the community recommendations to each agency.



CHAPTER 5. APPENDICES

5.1. Photo Gallery



5.2. Community Surveys



VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA PARKS MASTER PLAN

Our Parks Our Values – Community Survey

The purpose of this survey is to gather the community preferences to prepare a long-term strategy and a funding plan for the Parks Master Plan. **We encourage all Village of Tequesta and surrounding area residents to participate.** *Thank you for your participation.*

1. Are you a Village of Tequesta resident? *(A resident is defined as person who reside within the boundaries of the Village of Tequesta, who pays taxes to the Village and has the ability to vote in the municipal elections)*

- Yes
- No

2. Provide your zip code

- 33469
- Other (please provide your zip code)

3. What is your age?

- 17 and under
- 18-25
- 26-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65-74
- 75 older

4. Does your household include children?

- Yes
- No

5. What are the ages of your children that live at home now? Please check all that apply

- 0-1 years old
- 2-5 years old
- 6-10 years old
- 11-14 years old
- 15-18 years old
- 19 & older

6. What are your favorite Parks and Open Spaces? Please rank each of the following parks in order of preference with #1 being your most favorite park to 7 being your least favorite park.

___ Constitution Park

___ Tequesta Park

___ Village Green at the Village Municipal Complex

___ Banyan Tree Green Area

___ Linear Park that runs parallel to Old Dixie Hwy.

___ JLONA Natural Area by US Hwy One (JLONA Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area)

___ Coral Cove Park

7. Do you feel there are adequate parks within walking/biking distance from your home?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure
- Don't visit parks
- Others (Please provide comment) _____

8. What is your preferred way to visit a park?

- By walking
- By biking
- By driving
- Others (Please provide comment) _____

9. What type of amenities are most important to you? *Please check all that apply*

- Passive Parks (walkways, benches, gazebos, etc.)
- Active Parks (playgrounds, sports, picnic shelters, etc.)
- Community Gardens
- Nature Trails
- Others (Please provide comment) _____

10. What are your priorities for park investment? *Please rank each of the following in order of importance with #1 being the most important and #6 being the least important.*

- ___ Funding to acquire property to expand our parks and facilities
- ___ Maintain existing parks and facilities
- ___ Improve access to parks and facilities through trails, sidewalks, and safer crossings
- ___ Improve existing parks and facilities through adding trees, playgrounds, sidewalks, et.
- ___ Add or enhance programs at parks and facilities (green markets, concerts at the parks, others)
- ___ Improve access to sports facilities (Baseball field, soccer field, basketball courts, Lacrosse, etc.)

11. What other means of park investment do you suggest?

12. How often do you visit Constitution Park?

- At least once a week
- More than once a week
- Not sure
- Other (Please provide comment)

13. What are your favorite outdoor activities in Constitution Park? Please check all that apply

- Playgrounds
- Tree House
- Rock Climbing Area
- Walking Trail
- Basketball Courts
- Gazebo
- Fitness Stations
- Picnic Pavilion
- Other (Please provide comment)

14. How would you improve Constitution Park? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you?

15. How often do you visit Tequesta Park? (42 acres park located on County Line Road in Martin County. The land is owned by the State and leased and operated by the Village of Tequesta to provide park and green space to residents and surrounding area)

At least once a week

More than once a week

Not sure

Other (Please provide comment) _____

16. What are your favorite outdoor activity in Tequesta Park? Please check all that apply

Nature Trail

Dog Pak

Tennis Courts

Pickleball Courts

Baseball/Softball Fields

Soccer Fields

Basketball Courts

Pavilion

Other (Please provide comment) _____

17. How would you improve Tequesta Park? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you?

18. Do you support the State funding improvements to Tequesta Park?

- Yes
- No
- Need more information
- Not sure
- Other (please provide comment)

19. What type of amenity would you enjoy at the future Remembrance Park? *The Village owns a vacant parcel of land at 483 Seabrook Road that would like to develop a park, and would appreciate your input.*

- Benches
- Walking Trail
- Playground
- Gazebo
- Picnic pavilion
- Community Garden
- Dog Park
- Parking Area
- Other (Please provide comment)

20. How often do you visit the Linear Park that runs parallel to Old Dixie?

- At least once a week
- More than once a week
- Not sure
- Other (Please provide comment)

21. What are your favorite outdoor activities in the Linear Park? Please check all that apply

- Walking
- Jogging
- Walking Dog
- Other (Please provide comment) _____

22. How would you improve the Linear Park? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you?

23. How often do you visit the Village Green at the Municipal Complex?

- At least once a week
- More than once a week
- Not sure
- Other (Please provide comment) _____

24. What are your favorite outdoor activity in the Village Green? Please check all that apply

- Seating
- Attending Events
- Appreciating commemorative features (flags, 9-11 sculpture, etc.)
- Other (Please provide comment) _____

25. How would you improve the Village Green? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you?

26. How often do you visit the Banyan Tree Open Space?

- At least once a week
- More than once a week
- Not sure
- Other (Please provide comment)

27. How would you improve the Banyan Tree open space? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you?

28. How often do you visit JLONA? (Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area - A 50-acre natural area with trails owned by the US Department of Interior located east of US Hwy One and within the Village's boundaries)

- At least once a week
- More than once a week
- Not sure
- Other (Please provide comment)

29. What are your favorite activity in JLONA? Please check all that apply

- Trails and Boardwalk
- Bird Watching
- Appreciating the native and restored Florida coastal habitats
- Other (Please provide comment)

30. What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you?

31. How often do you visit Coral Cove Park? (A 6.21-acre beachfront park owned and operated by Palm Beach County located within the Village's boundaries)

- At least once a week
- More than once a week
- Not sure
- Other (Please provide comment)_____

32. What are your favorite outdoor activity in Coral Cove Park? Please check all that apply

- Playground
- Picnic Area
- Beach Area
- Other (Please provide comment)_____

33. How would you improve Coral Cove Park? What would you add that will make a more enjoyable experience for you?

34. Do you own a dog (s)?

- Yes
- No

35. How often do you visit the Dog Park at Tequesta Park?

- At least once a week
- More than once a week
- Not sure
- Other (Please provide comment)

36. Would you visit a dog park more often if you could walk to it?

- Yes
- No
- Other (Please provide comment)

The Village of Tequesta thank you for completing this
Important survey!



Remembrance Park

Conceptual Design Feedback

1. Please select the conceptual design that you most prefer.

A B C

2. Please select the park amenities and features that you would like to see on the final Remembrance Park design. If applicable, clarify which one of the three conceptual designs exhibit your preference.

Park Amenities and Features	Conceptual Design Preference		
<input type="checkbox"/> Art installation/sculptures			
<input type="checkbox"/> Bike rack			
<input type="checkbox"/> Bird bath			
<input type="checkbox"/> Boardwalk	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Brick paver parking area (semi-pervious)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Butterfly garden	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
<input type="checkbox"/> Community garden			
<input type="checkbox"/> Connection from Seabrook Rd to Riverside Dr	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dog stations			
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational plaques (historical or natural)	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
<input type="checkbox"/> Gazebos			
<input type="checkbox"/> Native plant barrier on retention areas	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Open green space	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
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<input type="checkbox"/> Park entry water feature			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Shade sails	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
<input type="checkbox"/> Shell rock pathway	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
<input type="checkbox"/> Small playground		<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C

3. Please provide any further clarifications of your preferences and/or comments regarding Remembrance Park amenities and features.

Please see other side for Tequesta Park. →



Tequesta Park

Conceptual Design Feedback

4. Please select the conceptual design that you most prefer.

A B C

5. Please select the park amenities and features that you would like to see on the final Tequesta Park design. If applicable, clarify which one of the three conceptual designs exhibit your preference.

Park Amenities and Features	Conceptual Design Preference		
Baseball fields	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Community garden	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	
Concession stand	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Dog park	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Educational plaques (natural)			
Exercise stations	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Existing basketball courts			
Existing parking area			
Existing pickleball/tennis courts			
Gazebos			
Multi-use fields (soccer and lacrosse)	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Open green space	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Pavilion	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Picnic area	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Restroom	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Sand natural trail	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Sand volleyball courts	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Shaded playground	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Sidewalks	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C
Splash pad	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	

6. Please provide any further clarifications of your preferences and/or comments regarding Tequesta Park amenities/features.

Please see other side for Remembrance Park. →

5.3. Community Event Notes

Remembrance Park

10/23

- Shady w/ trees to break

- Benches, trail
 - Natural, trail to Riverside
- Natural elements for kids (discovery)
 - loose ~~parts~~ playground
- ~~Shelter~~ Shelter
- Interactive planted element
- Walking & Biking, bike rack
- Butterfly Garden (Native Plants)
 - nearby seating
- Newer & Older trees mix
- Walking path with plant ID
- Place for teenagers to go
- Cocoplum arch
 - or other plant
- More complementary
 - passive
- Creative park
 - Native &
- Can retention area be improved?
 - grasses/aquatic plants
 - prettier to look at
- Buffer area for ~~houses~~ houses

10/23

Tequesta Park

- Space for non-organized play / sports
- Trail is one of the best elements needs a "facelift"
 - More pine trees / slash pines, want more natural space
- Tennis Courts are used
 - Community Garden near front area
- Playground for kids / Play area
 - Improve Basketball Court
- Better Soccer, Kids away from parking lot
 - minimal exits / safety concern
 - Concern about Resident
- Food truck event at park, community events
- Improve Restrooms, only 3 stalls (need more)
 - Seating by Basketball
- Move over baseball field, add soccer area
 - trail around sports area
 - Restore Habitat where possible
- Restore natural area
 - Outdoor meeting areas spread out
 - Sports event seating
- Better connection to basketball area
 - opportunity for teenagers
- Lighting for nighttime
 - Open areas when not an event
- Concern for invasive plants
- Community Park
- Playground near seating for parents, close to pavilion
- Safety for play

11/5/21 OPEN HOUSE

- Passive Park → Respectful of Neighbors
- Shade
- Benches
- Trellis
- Noise

- Sunshades



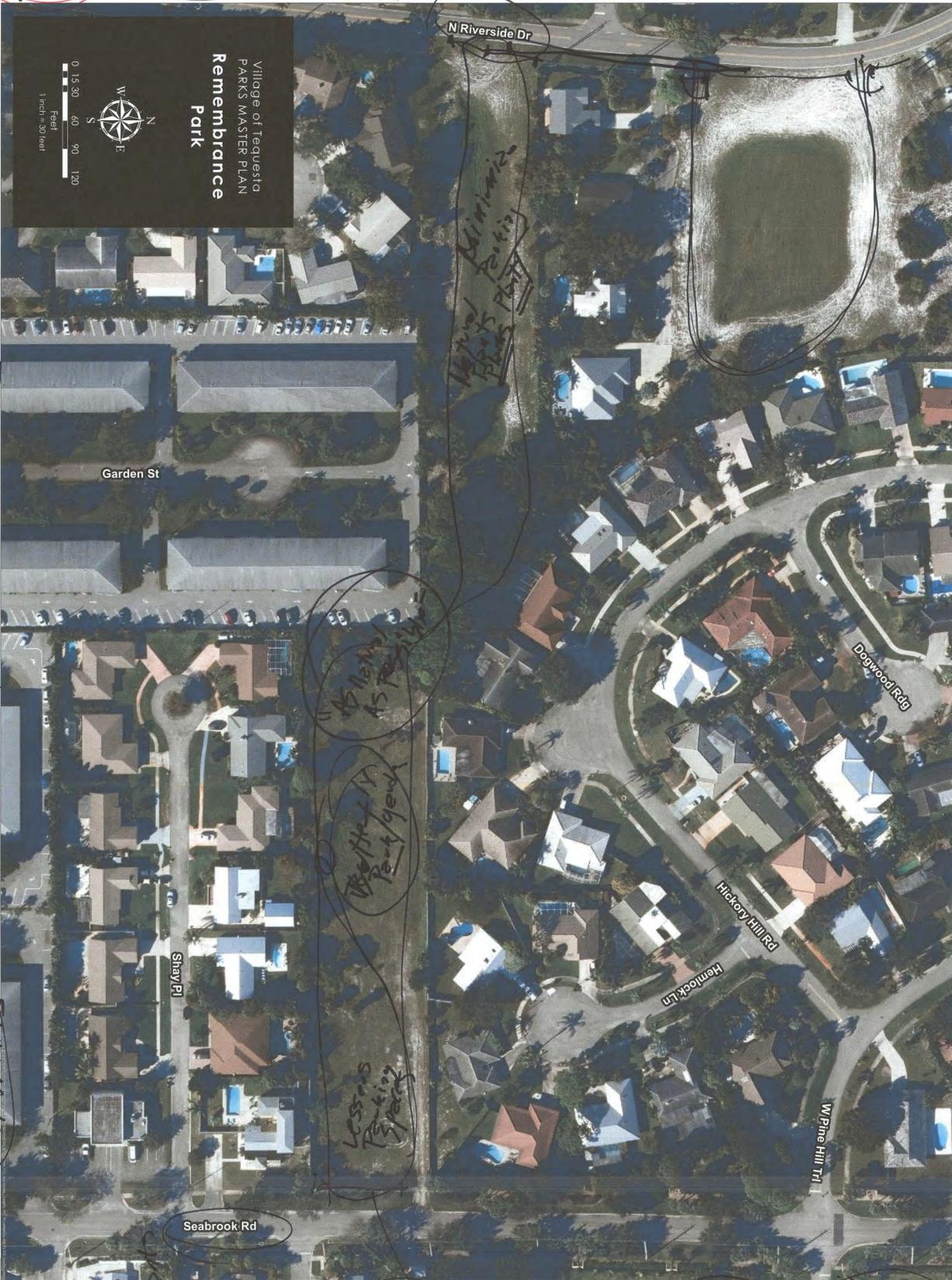
11/10/2021 - EAC

Remembrance Park

- Include North retention pond
- Safety of the Park (after hours) - homeless population concerns
- Gate/Fence?
- Passive Park - shade trees, butterfly garden, etc.
- Natural/Native ~~Park~~ Plants (wood chips, etc.)
- ~~Water~~ Educational (learn about gardens, etc.)
- Kids explore natural species, plants, etc
- Signage of plants/species
- Inclusive (minimal parking) - Accessibility
- Utilizing Old Fire Station for parking
- Get in touch w/ surrounding neighbors

- Police Checks?
- Walled off from existing properties
- Budget? - 50K grant?
- Prioritizing of parks
- Fence include access for native species/animals

11/10/21
Savannah
Educational components
Benches
Reer
Who's \$\$\$ is Budget?



Handwritten questions
Budget
NDR?

Getty
Tours
Fees

Village
to pay
\$30000
Deadline
& Use of
Old Fire Station
For Parking
Ask Police
Involvement

Do they have fences?

Native Plant

Popping Park Wood chips

Safety Concern

To prevent Homers population

Natural Area

Native species be able

to have access

11/10/2021 - EAC
Tequesta Park

Non-native removal?

Nature trail

Accommodate soccer/baseball etc. enhancement (Multi Use Field)

Playground far from the road (center)

Signs for amenities (trails, activities, etc.) and animals

Maintenance for existing before new amenities

Educational signage

Work out/Exercise stations

Safety/Closing of Park

Prioritizing Parks (Short Term, medium and long term)

Expand Trails (remove baseball diamonds)

~~Survey~~ Wildlife Sensitivity

Funding? - Cost of maintenance

Redundancy - items in Const. Park may not be needed in Teq. Park

Caretaker of Park

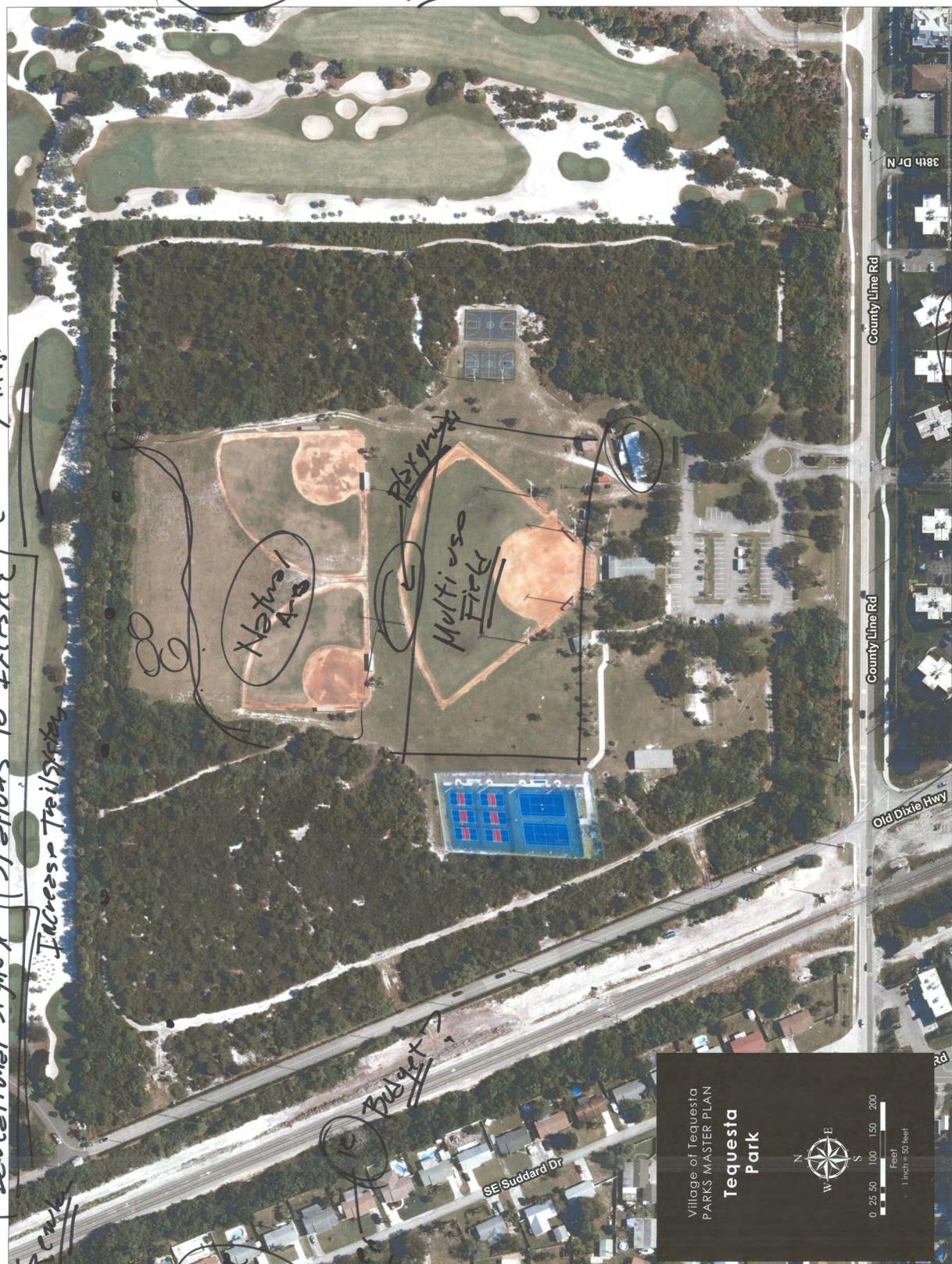
Keep Invasive species out on existing or future budget

Survey Results

Priority
 Upgrade
 Program
 Maintenance
 EAC
 11/10/1
 Redundant
 Remove
 Non-Natives
 K9s
 -Noisy
 -Trail
 -Impoverish
 Access
 Expert
 Accommodate
 Soccer
 -Lacross

Educational Signage Stations to Exercise
 Increase Trail Safety

Close Park?



Kids to Explore

Funding from State

Cost of Maintenance?

Signs - to show walking trails

Add playground PAR from Parking

NOT adding Parking

5.4. Remembrance Park Invitation Letter



VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA

345 Tequesta Drive
Tequesta, FL 33469

March 3, 2022

Re: Remembrance Park Open House

Dear Resident,

The Village of Tequesta is pleased to invite you to attend an Open House regarding the conceptual designs proposed for Remembrance Park. Since your home is adjacent to this future park we value your input and would like to hear from you.

The Open House will be held in the Village Council Chambers located at the Village Hall at 345 Tequesta Drive, on March 15, 2022 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. At this Open House, you will have the opportunity to learn about the proposed designs for Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park; and to vote for your selected conceptual designs.

In October 2021, the Village initiated a Parks Master Plan based on a proactive community outreach process. We held numerous community events to listen to our resident's vision and ideas, and you were invited to attend the Open House held on December 18, 2021.

Please note, the conceptual designs will be exhibit at the Village Hall Lobby from March 10th to March 25th to facilitate public participation and receive input from our residents.

Please reach out to Ms. Nilsa Zacarias, Community Development Director at 561-768-0457 or email her at nzacarias@tequesta.org if you have questions.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Open House!

Sincerely,

Jeremy Allen
Village Manager
Village of Tequesta

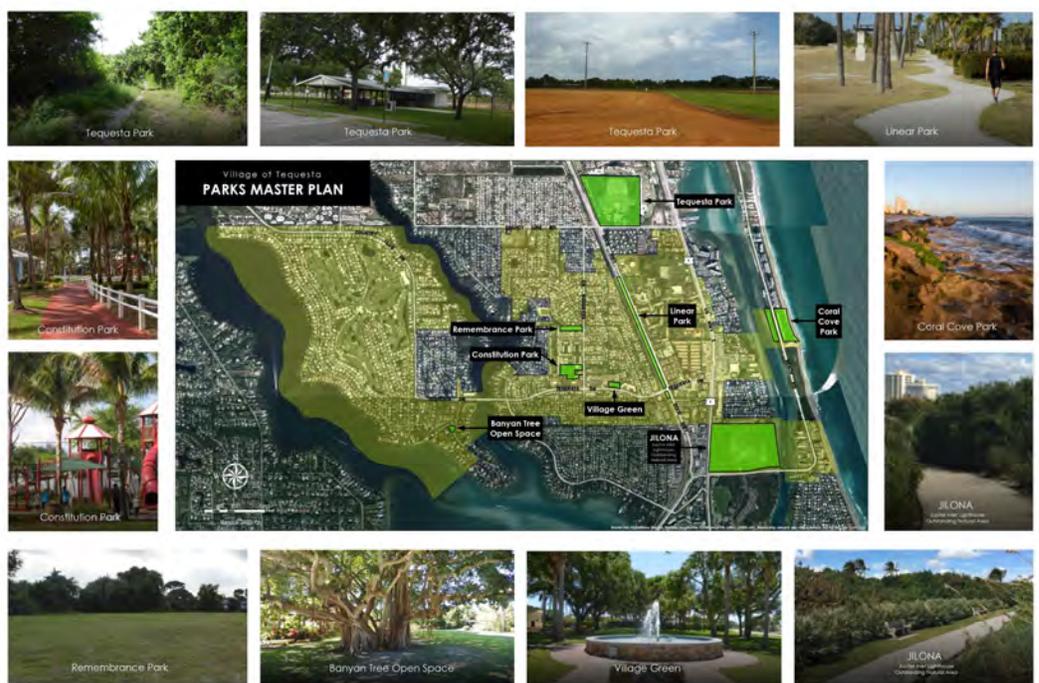
5.5. Village Council Workshop Presentation



Our Parks *Our Values*

Village of Tequesta Parks Master Plan
The Community Vision

Village Council Workshop Presentation
May 2, 2022



Public Participation started in October 2021

6 Months Process



Listen to the Community and Understand the Residents Needs and Vision

To Prepare a Long-Term Strategy and Funding Plan
for our Parks



Proactive Public Participation Program (4Ps) Initiatives

- Kick-Off Open Forum at Village Hall (October 12th)
- **Kiosks** at Public Events (Halloween, Shred-it & Coffee with the Cup, Chili Cook-Off, Holiday in the Park etc.)
- Design **Open Houses**, Attendance to HOA Meeting
- Online and In-Person **Surveys**
- Social Media Communication
VOT Fridays News, Facebook
- Updates on Village Website





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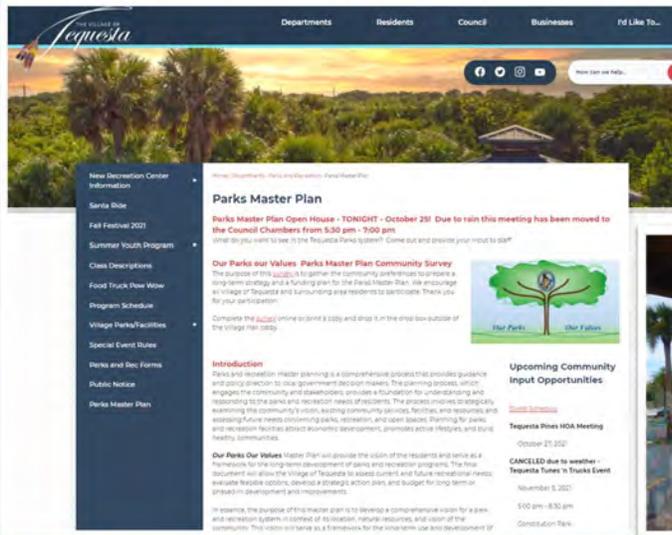
Events and Survey Advertisement

- Master Plan Poster w/Qr Code
- Smoke Signals November Issue
- Updates on Village website
- Water Bill – QR Code
- Social media (Facebook, VOT Friday News)



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Events and Survey Advertisement





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Public Participation Events

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
Kick-Off Open Forum <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday, October 12 th (5:30-7:30 pm)	Village Hall Chambers
Halloween <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Friday, October 15 th (5:30-8:30 pm)	Constitution Park
Shred-it and Coffee with a Cop <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, October 16 th (9-11 am)	Village Hall Parking Lot and Chambers
Design Open House <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, October 23 rd (9-noon)	Tequesta Park
Design Open House <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Monday, October 25 th (5:30-7:00 pm)	Village Hall Chambers
Meeting with Tequesta Pines HOA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, October 27 th	Mr. Allen attended a Zoom meeting with HOA



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EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
Design Open House <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, November 6 th (10:00-11:30 am)	Village Hall Chambers
Environmental Advisory Committee Presentation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, November 10 th (2 pm)	Village Hall Chambers
Chili Cook-Off <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, November 13 th (2-6 pm)	Paradise Park
Planning & Zoning Board Presentation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, November 18 th (5:30 pm)	Village Hall Chambers
Kiosk at Holiday in the Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, December 4 th , (5-8pm)	Constitution Park
Design Open House with Residents adjacent to Remembrance Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, December 18 th (9:30-11 am)	Village Hall Chambers
Open House for Concept Plans - Presentation and Feedback <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	March 8 th , 2022 (Village Wide) March 9 th , 2022 (Village Wide) March 15 th , 2022 (Remembrance Park Neighbors)	Village Hall Chambers
Presentations - Environmental Advisory Committee – April 13, 2022 Planning and Zoning Board – April 21, 2022		



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Kick-Off Open Forum - Oct. 12



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Halloween - Oct. 15





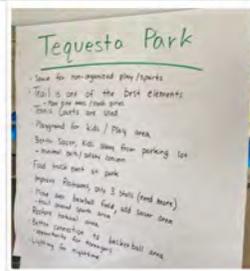
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Shred-It and Coffee with a Cop – Oct. 16



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Design Open House – Oct. 23





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Two (2) Design Open Houses – Oct. 25 & Nov. 6



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Listening to the community is paramount

- **Surveys, Kiosks at Events**
- **Interviews** – one-on-one listening to residents, elected officials, Village Staff, etc.
- **Village Boards** – EAC and P&Z Board





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Surveys

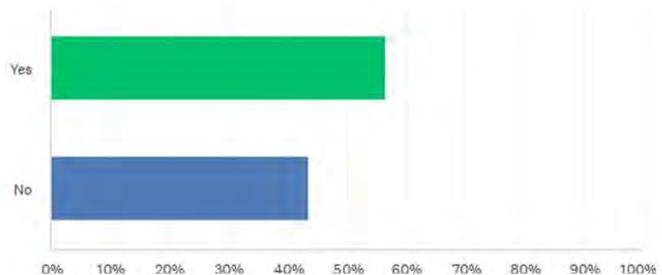
- **Online Format** – QR Code & Link provided - open ended comments
- **Paper Copies** – Provided at Kiosks Event - Survey Drop Box at Village Hall
- **Total: 249 Responses** (232 online & 17 paper copies)



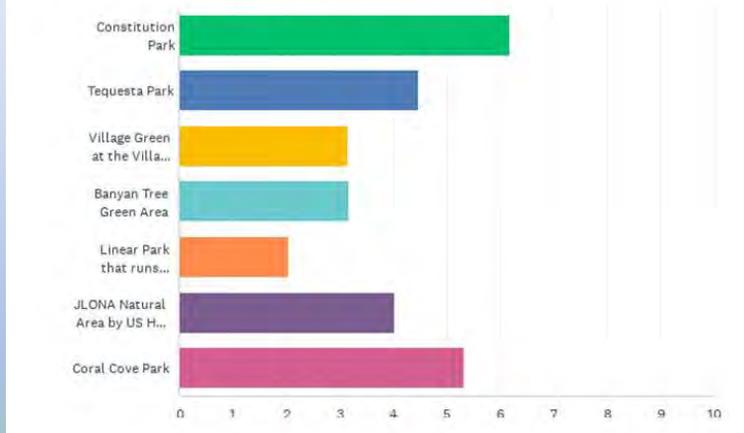
2. What is your age?



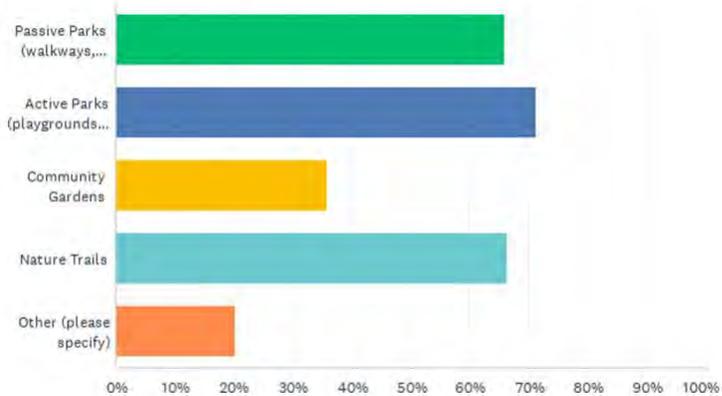
3. Does your household include children?



5. What are your favorite Parks and Open Spaces?



8. What type of amenities are most important to you? Please check all that apply



Survey included total 27 Questions
Report presents Survey Result of each Question



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Personal Interviews

20 One-on-One Interviews were Conducted at Village Hall

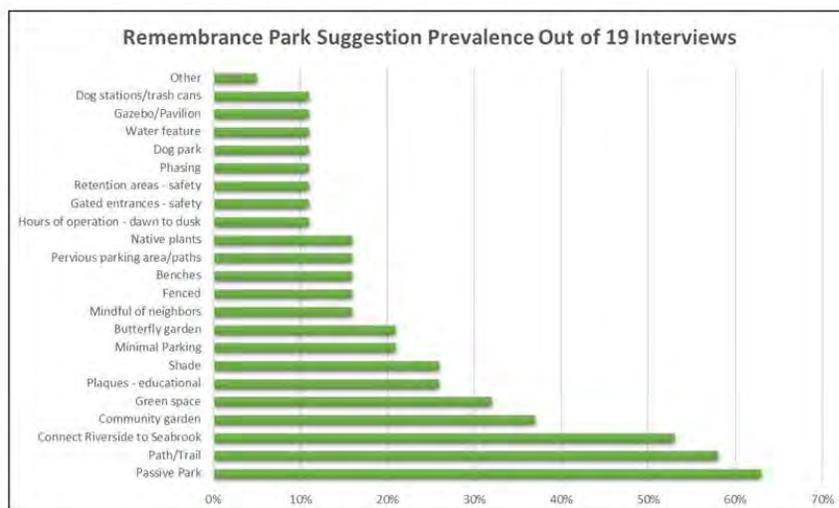
Mr. Allen & Ms. Zacarias were present at all interviews

Questions Were:

1. What do you envision for Remembrance Park?
2. What do you envision for Tequesta Park?
3. Please provide your input for all the other parks and open space (Linear Park, Banyan Tree, JLONA, and Coral Cove)



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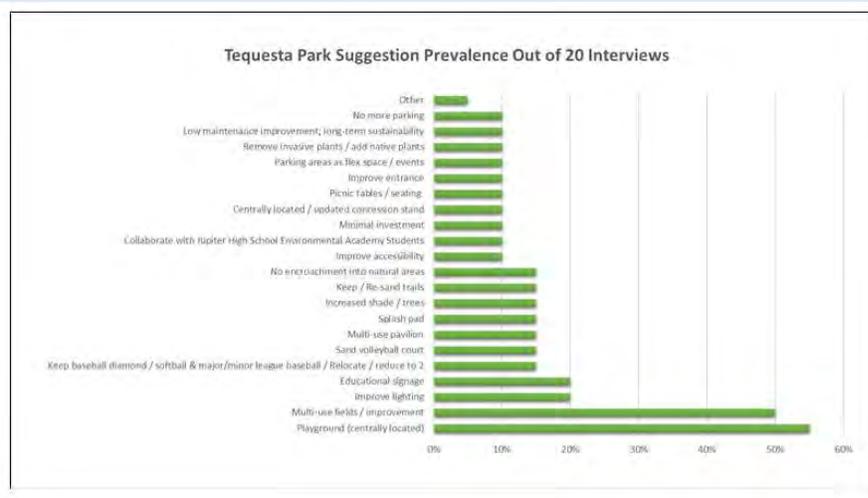
63% preference for a passive park

58% prefer a path or trail around the park

53% desire for connection between Riverside Road and Remembrance Park



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55% suggested centrally located playground

50% prefer improved multi-use fields

20% recommended improved lighting and educational signage



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Surveys were closed on December 31, 2021

January and February 2022:

- Team processed all gather feedback
- from Surveys and Interviews
- Team Prepared draft Conceptual Plans for Remembrance Park and Tequesta Park with **three (3) Options Each**



March 2022:

- Open Houses and Surveys to Gather Feedback and Preference from Residents about Conceptual Plan Options



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Open House for Concept Plans (Tequesta Park & Remembrance Park) March 8, 2022



Red, Green and Yellow Dots Provided to Residents to Express their Preferences



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Residents Academy Presentation (Tequesta Park & Remembrance Park) March 9, 2022



Mr. Jeremy Allen presented Plans to Resident Academy Attendees



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Open House for Concept Plans (Tequesta Park & Remembrance Park) March 9, 2022



Red, Green and Yellow Dots Provided to Residents to Express their Preferences



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Open House for Concept Plans (Tequesta Park & Remembrance Park) Neighbors Adjacent to Remembrance Park, March 15, 2022



Residents who Live Adjacent to Remembrance Park were mailed an Invitation Letter to Attend this Event





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Open House for Concept Plans (Tequesta Park & Remembrance Park)

Conceptual Plans were exhibit from March 10th to March 28th at the Village Hall Lobby along with Survey Forms



- **Total: 57 Surveys**

Survey Forms and a Box to Drop them Were Provided at the Lobby to Facilitate Feedback from Residents



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Remembrance Park Summary



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Remembrance Park – Concept Plan A



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Remembrance Park – Concept Plan B





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Remembrance Park – Concept Plan C



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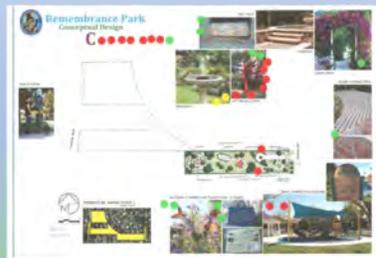
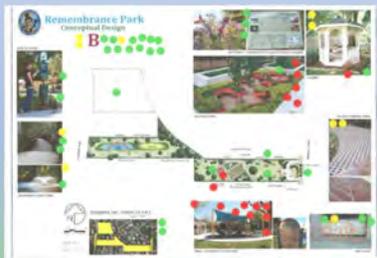
Remembrance Park – Summary

Most Favored Elements

- Designs A and B were the preferred plans
- Connection from Riverside Drive to Remembrance Park
- Butterfly garden and educational plaques
- Bounding Fence
- Perimeter fencing

Least Favored Elements

- Playground
- Art installation





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Tequesta Park Summary



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Tequesta Park – Concept Plan A





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Tequesta Park – Summary

Most Favored Elements

- Preserve the natural environment
- Design B was the most favored design
- More native species to expand preserve area
- Playground centrally located

Least Favored Elements

- Splash pad, exercise stations
- Playground location close to Road



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PROPOSED FINAL CONCEPTUAL DESIGNS

REMEMBRANCE PARK



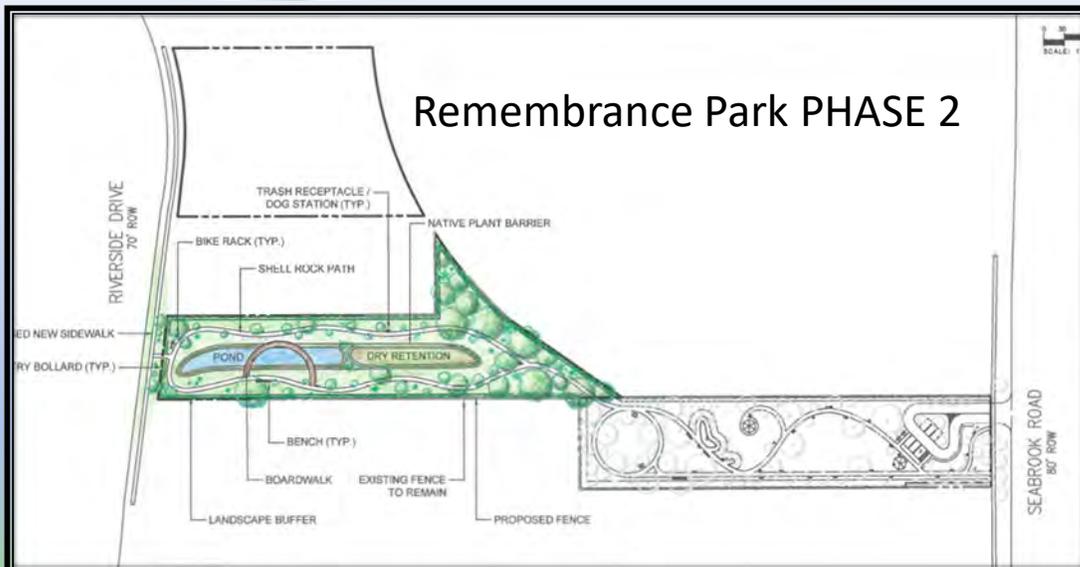
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Remembrance Park PHASE 1



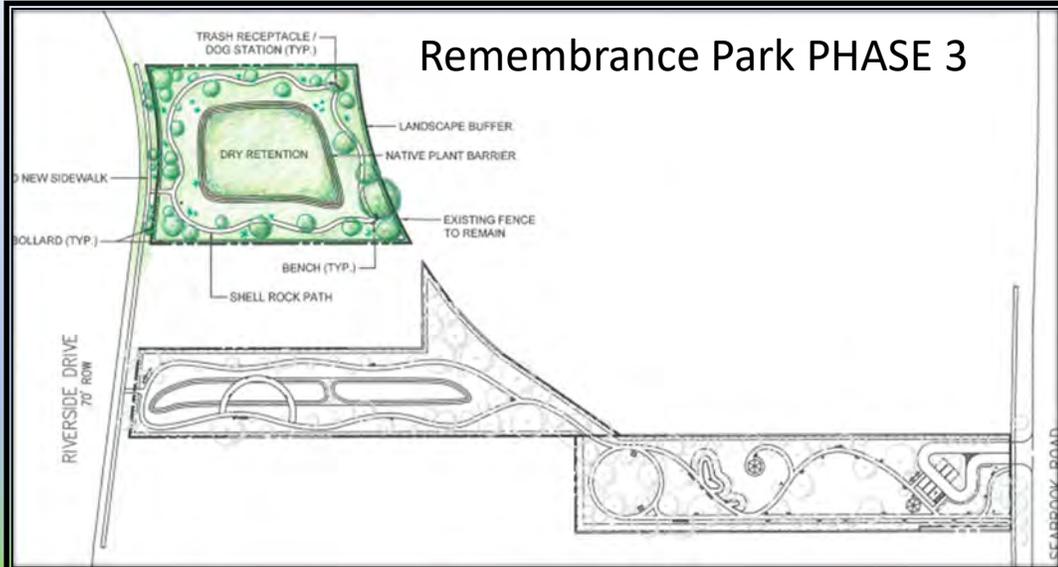
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Remembrance Park PHASE 2





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PROPOSED FINAL CONCEPTUAL DESIGNS

TEQUESTA PARK



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- One (1) Multi-use Field
- Two (2) Baseball Fields
- Community Garden
- Playground with Shade Sail
- Picnic Tables with Umbrellas
- Wood Decking Area
- Pavilion
- Concession Stand
- Splash Pad
- Sand Volleyball Courts
- Exercise Stations
- Gazebos
- Improve Lighting
- Educational Plaques
- Directional Signage
- Shade Trees
- Native Landscaping

LEGEND	
Ⓢ	NATURAL EDUCATIONAL PLAQUE (TYP.)
Ⓣ	TRASH RECEPTACLE / DOG STATION (TYP.)
Ⓞ	GAZEBO (TYP.)
Ⓜ	EXERCISE STATION (TYP.)
Ⓢ	PICNIC TABLE WITH UMBRELLA (TYP.)
Ⓛ	DIRECTIONAL SIGN (TYP.)



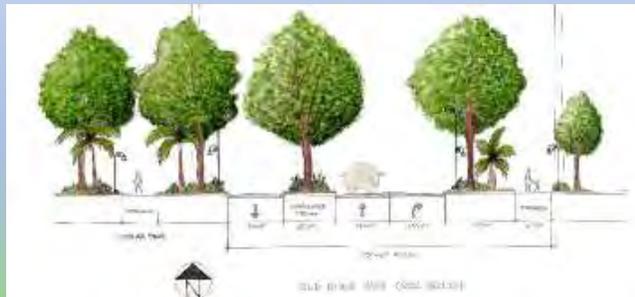


ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS



LINEAR PARK

- Add Shade Trees along the Walkway
- Include hedges toward Old Dixie Hwy to provide a landscape buffer for safety reasons
- Improve landscaping to enhance aesthetics of the corridor
- Install a cross walk on the corner of Village Blvd. to connect to Tequesta Park
- Reach out to Palm Beach County to recommend a median with trees on Old Dixie Hwy.





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Point Drive Open Space (Banyan Tree)

This Banyan tree site is surrounded by residential homes, and it has been embraced by the community because of its character and beauty. The recommendations are as follows:

- Add a trash receptacle
- Include an additional seating bench (currently there is only one seating bench)
- Preserve this open space

Jupiter Lighthouse Outstanding Area (JLONA)

Even though this land is owned and maintained by the Federal Government, the Village's residents provided the following recommendations to improve this site:

- Add trash receptacles and additional trail signages
- Plant native trees toward US Hwy 1
- Provide a pedestrian and bicycle access from US Hwy 1 to facilitate connectivity and access for residents

Coral Cove Park

This Park is within the boundaries of the Village of Tequesta since 1985, however, it is owned and maintained by Palm Beach County. The recommendations are as follows:

- Improve beach area by a Restoration Program
- Add a low speed zone and paid parking on Beach Road
- Include ADA access to the beach



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Additional Recommendations

1. Prepare a Multi-Use Trail System Plan

- Interconnected system of bike and pedestrian trails to facilitate access to parks and open spaces
- Promoting walking and biking instead of driving

2. Implement Objectives and Policies included on the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Comprehensive Plan



Village of Tequesta Parks Master Plan

NEXT STEPS

Our Parks Our Values Master Plan provides the vision of the residents and it will serve as road map for a **long term strategy to improve and develop the Village's Parks**

- Final Design Drawings to be prepared by engineers and based on technical surveys: Remembrance and Tequesta Parks
- Facilitate to apply for grants
- Allow to budget specific amounts for yearly capital improvement plan



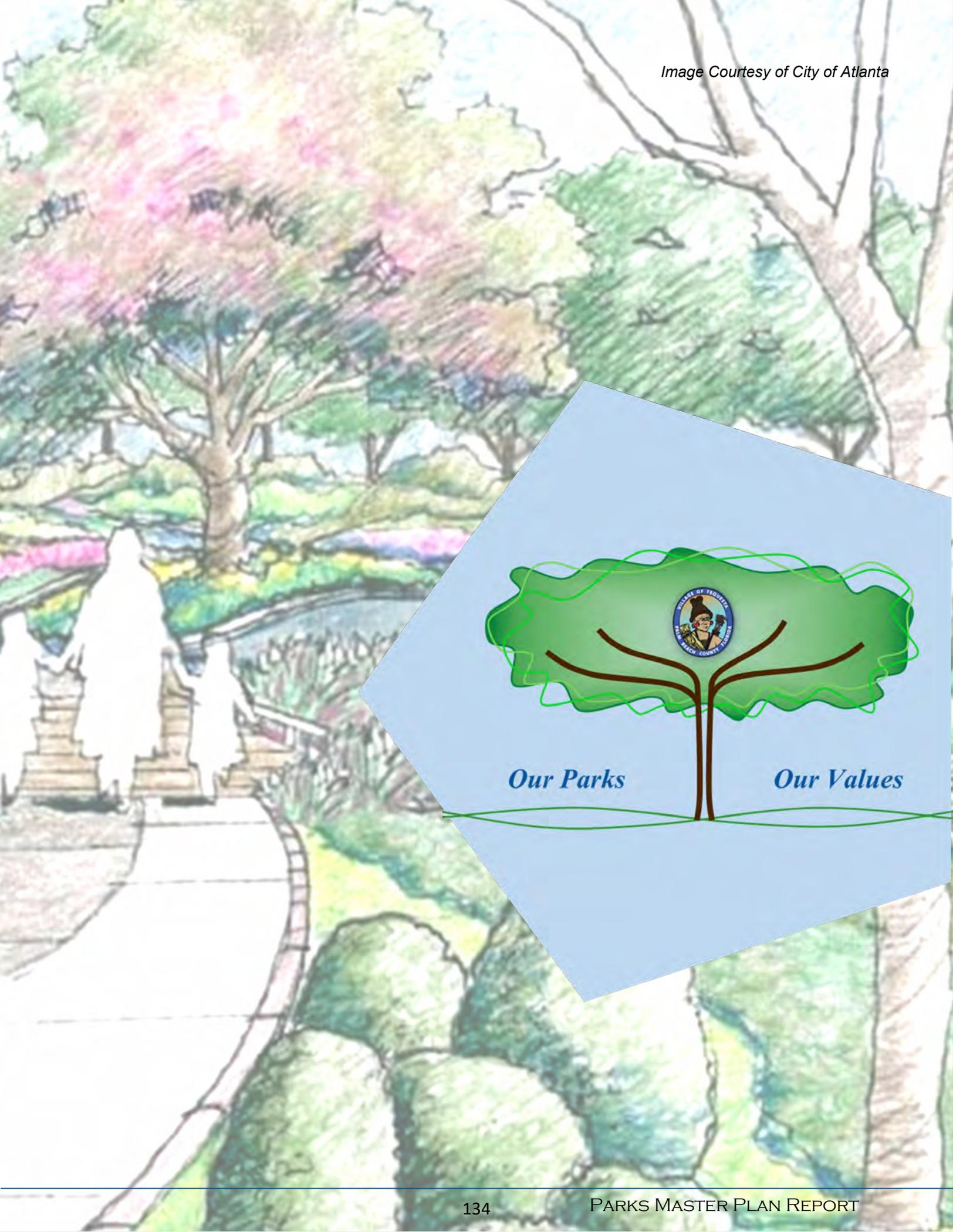
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Parks Master Plan:
6 Months Community Participation Process

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

5.6. Final Conceptual Designs





Our Parks

Our Values

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PARKS MASTER PLAN
 CONCEPTUAL DESIGNS
 MAY 13, 2022

REVISIONS:

NO.	DATE	REMARKS
0	04/25/2022	ORIGINAL
1	05/18/2022	LANDSCAPE BUFFER

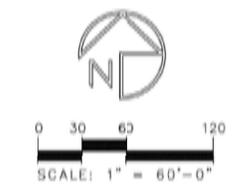
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 TEQUESTA, FL 33469

CLIENT APPROVAL:
 SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

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REMEMBRANCE PARK
 CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN
PHASES 1, 2 & 3
 SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"

SHEET NUMBER:
 SP-1

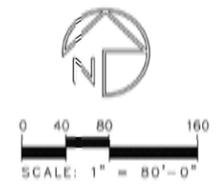


1 REMEMBRANCE PARK CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN
 SCALE: 1" = 60'-0"

JUPITER HILLS CLUB GOLF COURSE



LEGEND	
◇	NATURAL EDUCATIONAL PLAQUE (TYP.)
⊕	TRASH RECEPTACLE / DOG STATION (TYP.)
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PARKS MASTER PLAN
 CONCEPTUAL DESIGNS
 MAY 12, 2022

REVISIONS:		
NO.	DATE	REMARKS
0	04/25/22	ORIGINAL
1	05/12/22	PLAYGROUND LOCATION

LOCATION:
 TEQUESTA PARK
 19851 SE COUNTY LINE RD,
 JUPITER, FL 33469

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TEQUESTA PARK
 CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN
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PARKS MASTER PLAN

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