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PARKS AND PUBLIC PLACES UPDATE

Tracking Progress on Fort Lauderdale Commission Priorities for 2021

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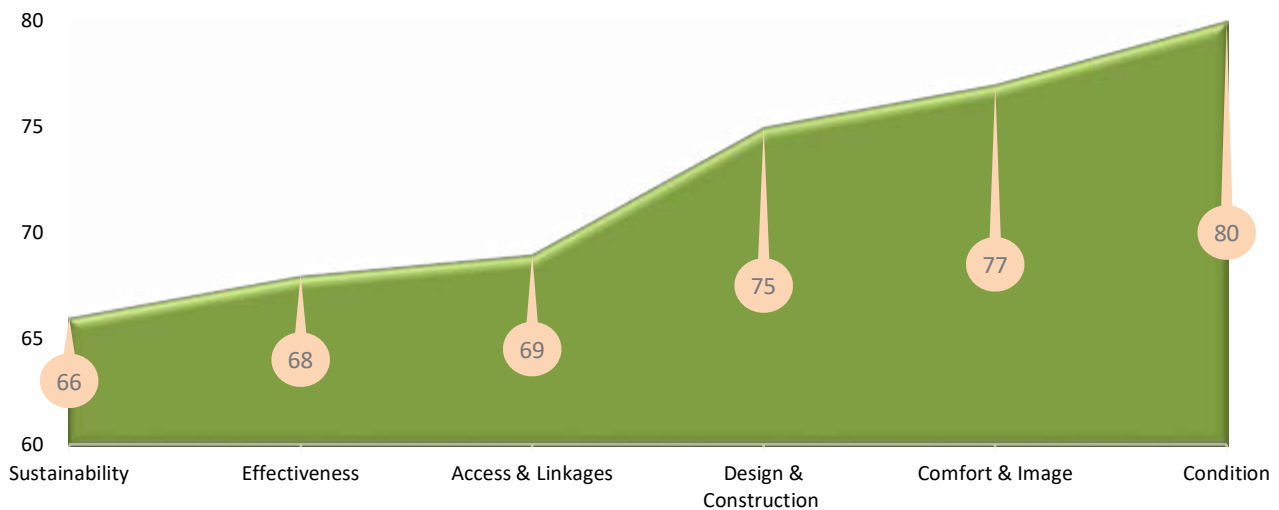
PARKS & RECREATION GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND UPDATE

Phase 1

Significant progress has been made toward the City of Fort Lauderdale’s Parks Bond 5-year Implementation Program since initial approval. Following the outreach efforts and subsequent feedback received from the virtual open house platform, the Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board recommended 39 parks for improvement projects within Phase 1. The recommendations were adopted by City Commission early this month during the May 4 Commission Meeting after public hearing. The planned improvements will consist of both general park enhancements and accessibility improvements to ensure community safety and inclusivity.

An assessment of the parks system during the development of the Parks and Recreation System Master Plan rated the City on six dimensions and while the City continues meeting expectations, there was room for improvement identified within multiple areas (scores provided in illustration below).

Parks System - Master Plan Dimension Rating



The current implementation plan of Phase 1 focuses enhancements on the identified areas of access and linkage, effectiveness, and sustainability with over 115 improvements related to those elements. Lighting improvements, wayfinding, park signage additions, as well as playground and site furnishing updates are planned across over 50 percent of the site locations. Additional plans for solar panels and drainage improvements are planned for nine of the projects within Phase 1 to reinforce the City’s sustainability efforts while sidewalk connections in addition to crosswalk and parking enhancements will also be addressed. Further renovations are planned for community centers, concession stands, and facilities with additions and/or upgrades to walking trails, splash pads, and boat ramps. Finally, improvements related to accessibility will be made across all Phase 1 parks, which will range from upgrading ramps and access to routes, pathways, buildings, and courts to adding tactile ground surface indicators and relocating or increasing access-friendly site furnishings such as benches, tables, and fountains among other items. Overall, completion of Phase 1 enhancements for all 39 parks are estimated to cost \$26.8 million.

A listing of the 39 parks as well as a visualization of the number of parks benefiting from the improvement type are provided below. Improvement diagrams and other Phase 1 project details can be found within the commission meeting memo and exhibits for file number [21-0404](#).

City of Fort Lauderdale Park Bond - Number of Phase 1 Park Improvements Per Category



City of Fort Lauderdale: Phase 1 Park Improvement Listing

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|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Annie Beck Park | Greenfield Park | Mills Pond Park | Stranahan Landing |
| Bass Park | Harbordale Park | North Fork Riverfront Park | Sweeting Park |
| Bayview Park | Hortt Park | Palm Aire Village Park | Tarpon Cove Park |
| Chateau Park | Imperial Point | Peter Feldman Park | Tarpon River park |
| Colee Hammock Park | Jack & Harriet Kaye | Provident Park | Townsend Park |
| Cortez Triangle Park | Lake Estates Linear | Riverside Park | Twin Lakes North Park |
| Dottie Mancini Park | Lauderdale Manors | Sailboat Bend Preserve | Victoria Park |
| Earl Lifshey Ocean Park | Lewis Landing Park | Sara Horn Greenway | Warfield Park |
| Florence C. Hardy Park | Lincoln Park | Sistrunk Park | Westwood Heights Triangle Park |
| Francis L. Abreu Place | Lu Deaner Park | South Middle River Park | |

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