



Conservation Management Plan

This management plan form is intended for Board of Trustees leases and subleases of conservation properties that are 160 acres or less. It is intended to address the requirements of Chapter 253.034, 259.032, 259.105, and rule 18-2.021. Attachments to, or expansion of this form are welcome, if the space provided below is not sufficient. Please answer all of the items below and number all attachments and reference them in the appropriate location below. You are under no obligation to use this form. Any plan format is acceptable, provided it includes all of the appropriate items from the above mentioned statutes and rule. This form is available in electronic format upon request. For additional information pertaining to management plans, please visit the Division of State Lands Stewardship page on the web at <https://floridadep.gov/lands/environmental-services/content/land-stewardship>.

A. General Information

1. Common Name of the Property: Plantation Park East Trailhead / Kingsley Smith Park
2. Lease Number: 4757
3. Acres: 0.52
4. Managing Agency: City of Plantation - Parks and Recreation Department

5. Provide an executive summary/description of this property that includes a brief description of the resources, uses and proposed uses, outstanding features etc.

Plantation Park East Trailhead, now designated as Kingsley Smith Park, is a 0.52-acre urban trailhead and neighborhood park in Plantation, Broward County. The property provides public access to the C-12 Canal Multi Use Recreational Trail and includes a small shelter, covered playground, covered adult exercise equipment, benches, bicycle racks, interpretive signage, drinking fountain, neighborhood sign, public art, open play area, walking access and adjacent on-street parking.

Primary uses are public outdoor recreation, trail access, fitness, community gathering and environmental interpretation.

6. Attach a map showing the location and boundaries of the property including:
- a) The location and type of structures or improvements currently on the property.
 - b) The location and type of proposed improvements. Appendix A
7. Attach a map showing the proximity of this managed area to other conservation areas within 10 miles. Appendix B
8. Please attach a legal description of the property. Appendix C
9. Provide a physical description of the land including a quantitative data description of the land which includes an inventory of forest and other natural resource, exotic and invasive plants, hydrologic features, infrastructure including recreational facilities, and other significant land, cultural or historical features.

The developed 0.52-acre parcel contains maintained turf, landscaping, paved and accessible surfaces, a shelter, covered playground, covered adult exercise equipment, benches, bicycle racks, signage, drinking fountain, public art/mural, open play area, four adjacent on-street parking spaces, and trail access.

Current Appendix A documentation identifies the adjacent recreational trail, parking, playground, exercise station, and art wall. Historical records reported approximately 584 feet, or 0.11 mile, of paved trail associated with the site. Archived flora included black olive, hibiscus, and sabal palm; invasive/nuisance species historically included umbrella tree, lead tree, and Brazilian pepper.

10. A brief description of soil types, attaching USDA maps when available.

Archived and current soil documentation identifies the site area as Map Unit 17, Immokalee-Urban land complex, Broward County, Florida, East Part. The USDA-NRCS Web Soil Survey map prepared on July 29, 2026, identifies the Area of Interest as 100% Immokalee-Urban land complex. The soil-map Area of Interest is shown as 0.8 acre; however, the lease/property acreage remains 0.52 acre. The site is highly urbanized, and portions of the natural soil profile may be obscured by pavement, playground surfacing, walkways, structures, or other improvements. See Appendix D.

11. Is the property adjacent to an aquatic preserve or designated area of critical state concern? YES _____ NO ^x _____

If YES, please identify:

12. Was the property acquired by a conservation land acquisition program? If YES, please identify.

Yes. The property was acquired by the State of Florida through the Florida Forever / Office of Greenways and Trails program for public greenway, trailhead, conservation-compatible recreation, and resource-based outdoor recreation purposes.

13. Do any agency-specific statute requirements or legislative/executive directives constrain the use of the property? (These restrictions can frequently be found in the lease) YES^x _____ NO _____

If YES, please identify

Yes. The lease/sublease and applicable State land requirements constrain the use of the property to approved greenway, conservation-compatible public recreation, trailhead, and management-plan purposes. Improvements or physical alterations must conform to the approved management plan and required approvals.

14. Are there any reservations or encumbrances on the property?

YES^x _____ NO _____

If YES, please identify:

Yes. The property is subject to easements, restrictions, limitations, and conditions of record, including a 15-foot utility easement shown on available property exhibits. The warranty deed states that the conveyance is subject to easements, restrictions, limitations, and conditions of record, if any. The lease/sublease and State land management requirements also limit the property to approved conservation-compatible public recreation and trailhead uses. See Appendix C. The City will verify current easement status before undertaking improvements affecting the easement area.

B. Natural and Cultural Resources

15. Are there any archeological or historical sites on this property? YES _____ NO ^x _____

If YES,

A) How do you plan to locate, protect and preserve these resources?

No archaeological or historical sites are currently confirmed within the 0.52-acre parcel based on the documentation reviewed. Resource **BD04253** is in the vicinity of the NW 47th Avenue / W Sunrise Boulevard / C-12 Canal corridor. Because this resource appears to be in the surrounding corridor rather than clearly within the leased parcel, the City will verify its relationship to the property before any ground-disturbing activity. If cultural material or a recorded resource is identified, work will stop in the immediate area and the City will coordinate with the Florida Division of Historical Resources before work resumes.

B) Please describe the actions the agency plans to take to locate and identify unknown Resources such as surveys of unknown archeological or historical sites.

Before ground disturbance, the City will review available Florida Master Site File and Division of Historical Resources information, document the review, and require staff and contractors to report possible discoveries. Any identified resource will be avoided, protected and managed in consultation with the Division of Historical Resources.

16. Are there any buildings on the property that are fifty or more years old?

YES _____ NO ^x _____ If YES,

A) Please Identify:

Not applicable.

B) Have these buildings been evaluated by a historian or historic architect to determine their historical and/or architectural significance. If YES, please identify both the building(s) and the evaluators(s):

Not applicable.

C) Please state whether any such buildings are listed in the Florida Master Site File, National Register of Historic Places or a local register of historic places and identify such buildings.

Not applicable.

By law, the managing agency must consult with the Division of Historical Resources with regard to any proposed land clearing or ground disturbing activities or with regard to any proposed rehabilitation, restoration or demolition of structures 50 or more years old. Please contact the Division of Historic Resources if you would like to obtain information on archeological/historical sites.

Division of Historical Resources
Florida Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, MS-8
Tallahassee, Florida 32399
(850) 245-6312

17. Please identify natural resources on the property that are listed in the Florida Natural Areas Inventory.

The FNAI Biodiversity Matrix Query Results for Matrix Unit 68049, created on July 29, 2026, found **0 documented elements**, **0 documented-historic elements**, and **0 likely elements** for this matrix unit.

The report also identified **15 potential elements** within the matrix unit. Since this report serves as an unofficial screening tool rather than a site-specific field survey, the City will use these results for planning purposes and will coordinate further if site conditions or future work require additional review.

Please refer to Appendix E for more details.

18. Are any imperiled natural communities, unique natural features, or any State and federally listed endangered or threatened plant or animal species, on site?

YES _____ NO x _____

If YES, please provide a specific description of how you plan to identify, locate, protect and preserve these species.

Currently, there are no documented imperiled natural communities, unique natural features, or state- or federally listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species on the site, according to the FNAI Biodiversity Matrix screening. The FNAI report for Matrix Unit 68049 recorded zero documented, zero documented-historic, and zero likely elements, but identified 15 potential elements within the broader matrix unit.

If you would like further information regarding natural resources or endangered species please contact the Florida Natural Areas Inventory (FNAI).

Florida Natural Areas Inventory
1018 Thomasville Road, Suite 200-C
Tallahassee, Florida 32303
(850) 224-8207

19. Please identify the water resources including swamps, marshes or other wetlands, on the property including the water quality classification for each water body and if the water body has been designated "Outstanding Florida Waters".

There are no documented on-site wetlands, swamps, or marshes on the 0.52-acre parcel. The nearby C-12/Plantation Canal corridor serves as a drainage and flood control canal and is located adjacent to the trail corridor but outside the leased parcel. Management activities will continue to safeguard the conditions next to the canal through measures such as litter control, erosion prevention, stormwater best management practices, and water quality protection.

20. Are any known mineral resources, such as oil, gas and phosphates, or any unique natural features, such as coral reefs, beaches, dunes, natural springs, caverns, large sinkholes, virgin timber stands, scenic vistas, and natural rivers and streams, and outstanding native landscapes containing relatively unaltered flora, fauna, and geological features on site? YES _____ NO x _____

If YES, Please identify and provide locations of these resources on a map.

Appendix

21. Are there fish or wildlife resources (both game and non-game) on the property?

YES _____ NO ☒ _____ If YES, please describe:

There are no fish or wildlife resources on the property.

C. Use of the Property

22. Please provide a statement of the purpose for which the lands were acquired, the projected use or uses as defined in Chapter 253.034, Florida Statutes, and the statutory authority you have for such uses.

The parcel, designated as a public greenway and trailhead, offers access for trails, walking, and bicycling. It also supports various activities such as playground use, exercise, passive recreation, shelters, open spaces, signage, public art, and resource stewardship. This is in accordance with Chapter 253.034 of the Florida Statutes, Lease No. 4757, and regulations set by the municipal park authority.

23. Please state the desired outcome for this property, and key management activities necessary to achieve the desired outcome, including public access.

The desired outcome is to ensure a safe, accessible, and attractive trailhead and neighborhood park that protects soil, trees, and urban habitats while accommodating compatible public recreation.

The key management activities include inspections, litter removal, equipment repair, maintenance of accessibility features, landscape and tree care, control of invasive plants, monitoring of erosion and drainage, installation of signage, and coordination with other agencies.

24. Please state the single or multiple uses currently made of the property and if the property is single use, please provide an analysis of its potential for multiple-use.

Single _____ Multiple ☒ _____ use/s is/are:

Currently, the property offers a variety of compatible uses, including trail access for walking and biking, playground and fitness areas, open space for shelter and passive recreation, public art and signage displays, venues for small gatherings, and functions for urban habitat and storm-water buffering.

25. Were multiple uses considered but not adopted? YES _____ NO ☒ _____

If YES, please describe why:

Not applicable.

26. Please provide an analysis of the potential use of private land managers to facilitate the restoration or management of these lands.

Private contractors may assist with arboriculture, invasive plant treatment, irrigation or drainage repair, and minor construction following City procurement guidelines. The City will retain core stewardship, compliance, public access, and management oversight.

27. Please provide an analysis of the potential of the property to generate revenues to enhance the management of the property.

Revenue potential is limited because of the property's small size and public conservation-recreation purpose. Routine user fees are not recommended. Grants, approved sponsorships, donations, or partnerships may support maintenance, signage, or compatible improvements.

28. Describe the projected, current and recent past uses of the property, and any unauthorized uses, if known.

The former Texaco gas station closed in 1992, and the property was subsequently remediated and redeveloped for public trailhead and recreational use. The C-12 Canal trail was completed in 2011, and the property currently supports trail access, walking, bicycling, exercise, passive recreation, public art, and small community gatherings.

Projected uses include continued public access, recreational use, site maintenance, interpretation, and compatible improvements consistent with the approved management plan.

No unauthorized uses are currently known; however, the City will continue to monitor the property for potential concerns, including dumping, vandalism, encroachment, unauthorized motorized activity, and inappropriate use of park facilities.

29. Do the planned uses impact renewable and non-renewable resources on the property?

YES _____ NO ☒ _____

If YES, please describe what specific activities will be taken to protect or enhance and conserve those resources and to compensate/mitigate the damage that is caused by the impacting use.

Not Applicable

30. Should any parcels of land within or adjacent to the property be purchased because they are essential to management of the property? YES _____ NO ☒ _____

If YES, please attach a map of this area. Appendix _____

31. Are there any portions of this property no longer needed for your use?

YES _____ NO ☒ _____

If YES, please attach a map of this area.

32. Please describe what public uses and public access that would be consistent with the purpose for which this property was acquired.

Public activities in the area are permitted from dawn to dusk and include walking, biking, and access to the C-12 Canal trail. These activities align with the purpose for which the area was acquired.

Compatible recreational uses in the area include playgrounds, outdoor exercise spaces, shelters, open play areas, passive recreation, public art displays, signage, and small community gatherings.

All public activities must comply with City park rules, accessibility requirements, safety regulations, and the terms outlined in Lease No. 4757.

33. Assess the feasibility of managing the lands >40 contiguous acres as a recipient site for gopher tortoises consistent with rules of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, as prepared by the agency or cooperatively with a Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission wildlife biologist.

Not applicable. At 0.52 acres, the developed urban trail-head is below the greater-than-40-acre criterion and is not suitable as a gopher tortoise recipient site.

34. Economic feasibility of establishing a gopher tortoise recipient site, including the initial cost, recurring management costs and the revenue projections.

Not applicable. The site does not meet recipient-site acreage or habitat criteria, so establishment costs, recurring recipient-site costs, and revenue projections are not warranted.

D. Management Activities

35. If more than one agency manages this property, describe the management responsibilities of each agency and how such responsibilities will be coordinated.

The City Parks and Recreation Department is the primary manager. It coordinates with City departments, SFWMD, Broward County, and FDOT/Florida's Turnpike Enterprise as needed for adjacent drainage, trail, roadway, and right-of-way matters.

36. Please discuss management needs and problems on the property including conservation of soil and water resources and control and prevention of soil erosion and water and soil contamination.

The property is a low, flat urban trail-head located near the C-12 Canal and adjacent to high-traffic transportation corridors, including the Turnpike area. Management needs include drainage and potential flooding monitoring, erosion prevention, litter removal, vandalism control, facility maintenance, invasive-plant treatment, and protection of soil and canal water quality. Because of the site's proximity to the canal, the city monitors stormwater runoff, standing water, exposed soil, and debris that could affect water quality. Management practices include routine inspections, vegetative stabilization, storm water best management practices, proper chemical handling, spill prevention, integrated pest management, and coordination with appropriate agencies as needed.

37. Identify adjacent land uses that will conflict with the planned use of this property, if any.

No irreconcilable conflict is known. Nearby residences, commercial uses, roads, the Turnpike corridor, and canal operations may create traffic, noise, parking, litter, drainage, or encroachment concerns, managed through defined access, buffers, signage, inspections, coordination, and park-rule enforcement.

38. Please describe measures used to prevent/control invasive, non-native plants.

The City will inspect the property weekly and after major storm events to identify and document invasive or non-native plant species. Priority will be given to FLEPPC Category I and II species, including historical targets such as umbrella tree, lead tree, and Brazilian pepper.

Control measures may include manual removal, targeted treatment by qualified personnel or licensed applicators, proper disposal, and follow-up monitoring. Disturbed areas will be replanted with native or Florida-Friendly species where appropriate to stabilize soil, support habitat, and protect the adjacent C-12 Canal.

39. As required by Chapter 253.034, please describe the public or local government involvement/participation in the development of this plan. Please provide the location and date of this public hearing. Please provide a meeting summary/minutes as an appendix.

Tuesday, August 18th, 2026, 6:30 PM at Central Park Multi-Purpose Building Conference Room.

40. If an arthropod control plan has been established for this property, please include it as an attachment. (Attachment N/A) If one does not exist, provide a statement as to what arrangement exists between the local mosquito control district and the managing agency. See Chapter 388.4111 regarding mosquito control on public lands.

No specific arthropod control plan has been established for this 0.52-acre property. Concerns related to mosquitoes and other arthropods are managed in collaboration with Broward County Mosquito Control, the local agency responsible for arthropod control, and relevant city departments. If mosquito or arthropod populations pose a public health threat or nuisance, the City will coordinate inspections, monitoring, and any necessary treatments in accordance with Chapter 388 of the Florida Statutes, including Section 388.4111, as well as with the relevant plans of the local arthropod control agency.

The City will implement integrated pest management practices, maintain proper drainage, eliminate standing water whenever possible, and take measures to protect soil, vegetation, public access, and adjacent water resources during any control activities.

41. Management Goals – **The following 8 goals may not all be applicable to your site. Write N/A where appropriate. Also, please add as many goals, objectives, and measures as you wish.**

Core Objectives		Measure	Timeframe 2 yrs = Short Term 10 yrs = Long Term	Expenses and Manpower Budget
1.	<u>Habitat restoration and improvement (Description):</u>			
	N/A			
	Prescribe burn <u>N/A</u> acres per year	<u>N/A</u> acres burned per year	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Maintain <u>N/A</u> acres per year within target fire return interval.	<u>N/A</u> acres within fire return interval target N/A	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Conduct habitat/natural community improvement on <u>N/A</u> acres	<u>N/A</u> acres with restoration underway	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Conduct habitat/natural community restoration activities on <u>N/A</u> acres.	<u>N/A</u> acres restored	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Conduct timber harvest for the purposes of habitat restoration on <u>N/A</u> acres	<u>N/A</u> acres harvested	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>

2	Public access and recreational opportunities (Description):			
	Ensure safe and accessible use of the trailhead, shelter, playground, exercise area, open space, public art, and C-12 trail connection from dawn to dusk. Conduct regular safety and accessibility inspections, maintain signage and provide educational materials as funding allows.			
	Maintain public access and recreational opportunities to allow for a recreational carrying capacity of <u>138</u> visitors per day	<u>138</u> visitor opportunities/day	Within 2 yrs <u>x</u> Within 10 yrs <u> </u>	Expense \$ <u>208,223.41</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Develop additional public access and recreational opportunities to allow for a carrying capacity of <u>N/A</u> visitors/day	<u>N/A</u> visitor opportunities/day	Within 2 yrs <u> </u> Within 10 yrs <u> </u>	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Continue to provide Public Art interpretive/education programs	<u>1</u> interpretive/education programs	Within 2 yrs <u> </u> Within 10 yrs <u>x</u>	Expense \$ <u>35,000</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Develop <u>N/A</u> new interpretive/education programs	<u>N/A</u> interpretive/education programs	Within 2 yrs <u> </u> Within 10 yrs <u> </u>	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
3	Hydrological preservation and restoration (Description):			
	N/A			
	Conduct or obtain a site assessment/study to identify potential hydrology restoration needs	Assessment conducted? Y <u> </u> N <u>x</u> <u> </u>	Within 2 yrs <u> </u> Within 10 yrs <u> </u>	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Restore natural hydrologic condition and functions to <u>N/A</u> acres on site	<u> </u> acres for which hydrologic restoration is underway (planning, grant writing, earth moving, etc.)	Within 2 yrs <u> </u> Within 10 yrs <u> </u>	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>

		N/A acres for which natural hydrologic conditions and function are restored	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ N/A Personnel \$ N/A
4	<u>Sustainable forest management (Description):</u> N/A.			
	Prepare& implement a silviculture management plan including reforestation, harvesting, prescribed burning, restoration, and timber stand improvement activities and goals.	Silviculture management plan complete? Y__N ^x N/A acres treated	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ N/A Personnel \$ N/A
	Develop and implement a process for conducting stand descriptions and forest inventory including a GIS database containing forest stands, roads & other attributes (including but not limited to: threatened & endangered species, archeological resources, exotic species locations, historical areas)	Complete GIS database and re-inventory all attributes every 3-5 years or as needed.	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ N/A Personnel \$ N/A
	N/A	N/A acres of forest inventoried annually	Within 2 yrs ____ Within 10 yrs ____	Expense \$ N/A Personnel \$ N/A
5	<u>Exotic and invasive species maintenance and control (Description):</u> The City will manage invasive and non-native species on the 0.52-acre property through annual inspections, post-storm monitoring, targeted treatment, and follow-up review. Priority will be given to FLEPPC Category I and II invasive plant species, including historical target species such as umbrella tree, lead tree, and Brazilian pepper. Control methods may include manual removal, targeted treatment by qualified personnel or licensed applicators, proper disposal of removed plant material, and replacement with native or Florida-Friendly non-invasive vegetation where appropriate. Management activities will also protect soil stability and the adjacent C-12 Canal corridor.			

	Annually treat <u>0.52</u> acres of EPPC Category I and Category II invasive exotic plant species.	<u>0.52</u> acres treated	Within 2 yrs <u>x</u> Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>500</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>	As needed
	Implement control measures on exotic and nuisance animal species	as neenuisance and exotic species for which control measures are implemented	Within 2 yrs <u>x</u> Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>500</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>	
6	Capital facilities and infrastructure (Description: N/A				
	To maintain <u>N/A</u> facilities, _____ miles of roads, and _____ miles of trails existing on site (as applicable)	_____ facilities, _____ miles roads, _____ miles trails maintained	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>	
	To construct <u>N/A</u> facilities. _____ miles of roads, and _____ miles of trails (as applicable)	_____ facilities, _____ miles roads, _____ miles trails constructed	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>	
	To improve or repair <u>N/A</u> facilities. _____ miles of roads, and _____ miles of trails existing on site (as applicable)	_____ facilities, _____ miles roads, _____ miles trails improved or repaired	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>	
7	Cultural and Historical resources (Description: No archaeological or historic sites are currently confirmed within the 0.52-acre leased parcel based on the documentation reviewed. Appendix G includes a Florida Master Site File map showing resource BD04253 in the vicinity of the NW 47th Avenue / W Sunrise Boulevard / C-12 Canal corridor.				
	Ensure all known sites are recorded in the FL Division of Historical Resources Master Site file	<u>0</u> of recorded sites	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>	
	Monitor <u>N/A</u> recorded sites and send updates to DHR Master Site file as needed	<u>0</u> of sites monitored	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>	

	Bring <u>N/A</u> of _____ recorded sites/cultural resources into good condition	<u>N/A</u> of sites in good condition	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
8	<u>Imperiled species habitat maintenance, enhancement, restoration, or population restoration</u> <u>(Description:</u>			
	N/A. No imperiled-species occurrence is currently documented onsite. Appendix E provides the current FNAI Biodiversity Matrix screening for Matrix Unit 68049, which identified 0 documented, 0 documented-historic, and 0 likely elements, with 15 potential elements in the broader matrix unit. Because the property is a small, developed urban trailhead, no species-specific habitat restoration or population restoration activity is proposed at this time. If an imperiled species is observed or later documented, the City will coordinate with FNAI, FWC, or the appropriate regulatory agency and establish protection, monitoring, or management protocols as needed.			
	Develop baseline imperiled species occurrence inventory list	Baseline imperiled species occurrence inventory list complete Y _____ N ^x _____	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Develop monitoring protocols for <u>N/A</u> selected imperiled species	<u>N/A</u> imperiled species for which monitoring protocols are developed	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	Implement monitoring protocols for <u>N/A</u> imperiled species	<u>N/A</u> species for which monitoring is ongoing	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>
	[If applicable, provide additional measurable objective(s) for new or ongoing species-specific management activities for each of the priority species such as population augmentation, translocations, nest box projects, etc.]	Examples: Project-specific quantity, <u>N/A</u> of nest boxes, # of individuals introduced or trans-located, etc.	Within 2 yrs _____ Within 10 yrs _____	Expense \$ <u>N/A</u> Personnel \$ <u>N/A</u>

42. Costs

Activity	Yearly Estimated Cost		
	Priority Cost	Other Management Cost	Cost Effective Methods
<u>Resource Management</u>	<\$10,000	Operating budget/as needed	Staff inspections, targeted invasive removal, BMPs
<u>Administration</u>	Staff time	Operating budget/as needed	Use existing City staff and records
<u>Support</u>	Staff time/as needed	Operating budget/as needed	Interdepartmental coordination

<u>Capital Improvements</u>	As funded	Grants/CIP/as approved	Grant funding, lifecycle r
<u>Recreation Visitor Services</u>	Operating budget/as needed	Staff time	Routine maintenance an
<u>Law Enforcement Activities</u>	As needed	Existing City services	Park rules, patrols, code

43. A finding regarding whether each planned use conforms to the appropriate policies and guidelines of the State Lands Management Plan is required. The Plan can be found at <https://floridadep.gov/lands/environmental-services/content/land-stewardship>, by writing to the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of State Lands, Office of Environmental Services, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 140, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or by calling (850) 245-2784. Does this plan conform to the State Lands Management Plan?

YES X NO _____

44. Please provide the following contact information below:

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Managing Agency:	City of Plantation
Address:	Plantation Central Park 9151 NW 2nd Street, Plantation, FL 33324
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Email Address:	MAmbrosio@plantation.org

Date Management Plan Prepared: 08/18/26

Please send this completed form
and attachments to:

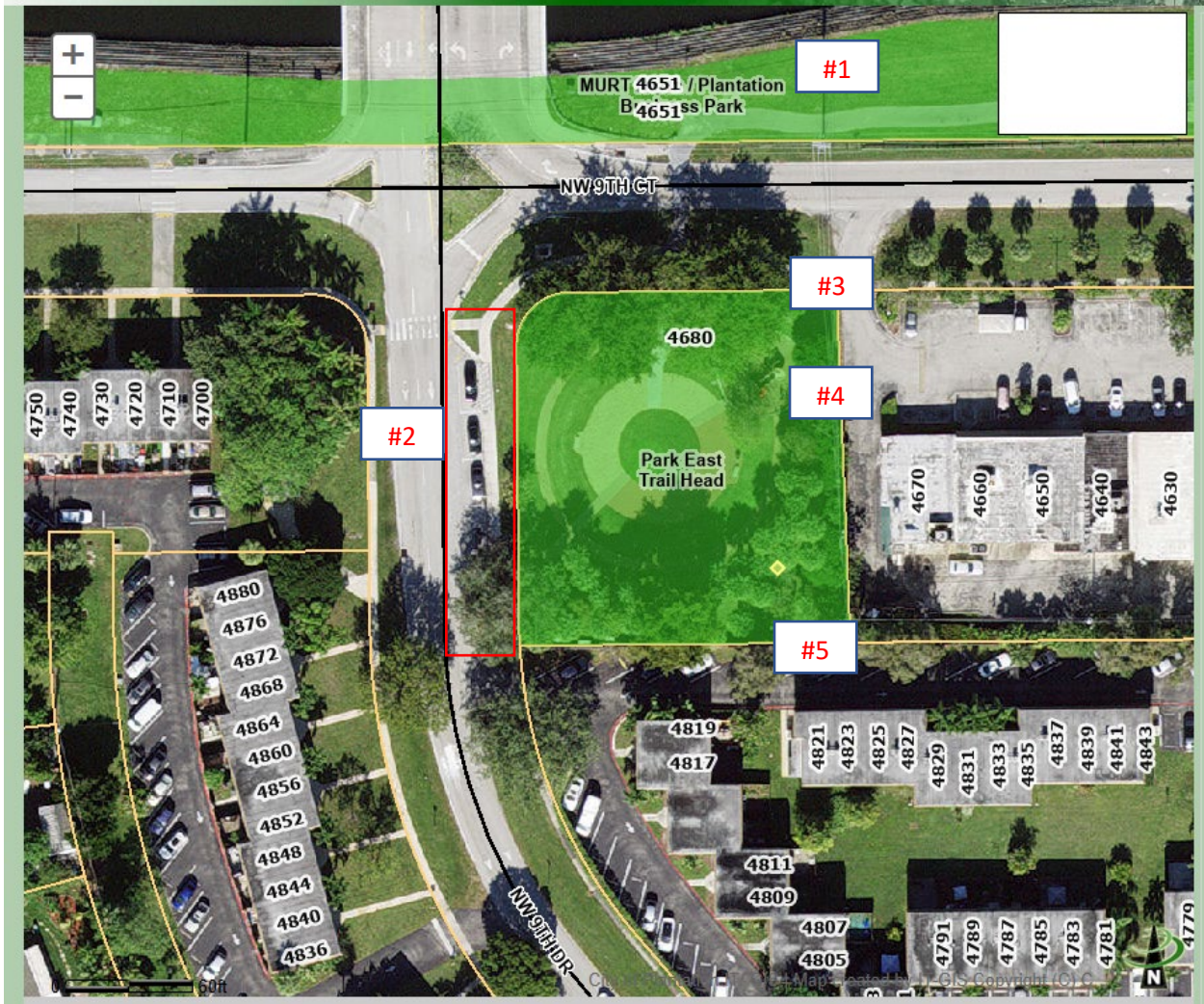
james.parker@dep.state.fl.us, Or
to: Division of State Lands
D.E.P. M.S. 140
3900 Commonwealth Blvd.
Tallahassee Fl. 32399-3000
850-245-3045

APPENDIX A

Location and type improvements.

APPENDIX A

Plantation Geographic Information Systems (PGIS)



#1 Adjacent Recreational Trail

#2 Parking

#3 Playground

#4 Exercise Station

#5 Art Wall

#1 Adjacent Recreational Trail



#2 Parking



#3 Playground



#4 Exercise Station



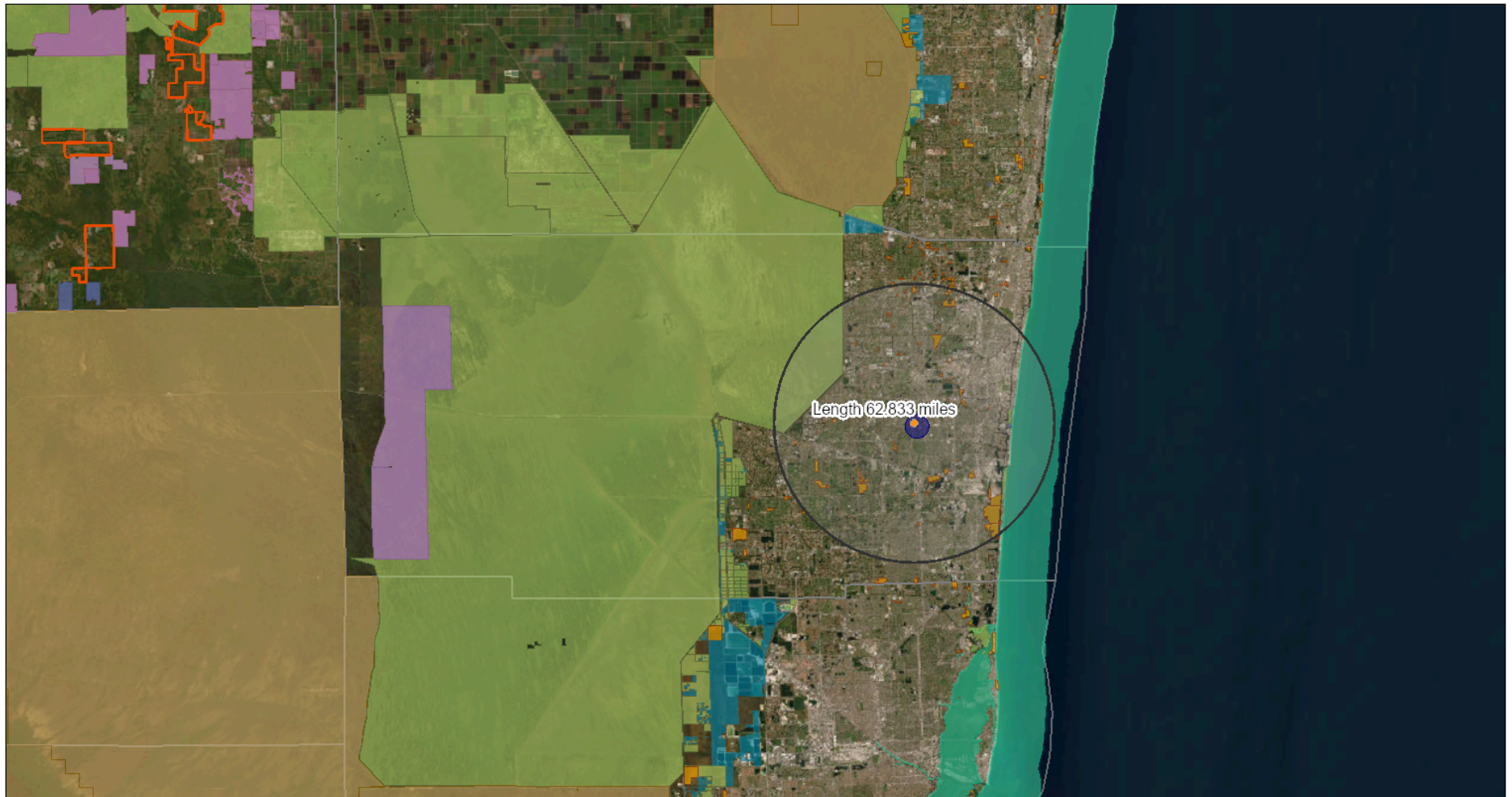
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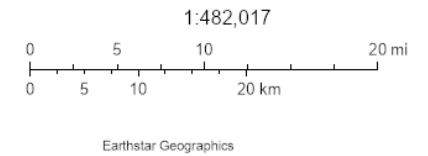
APPENDIX B

Conservation areas within 10 miles

Florida Conservation Lands



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APPENDIX C

Legal description of the property

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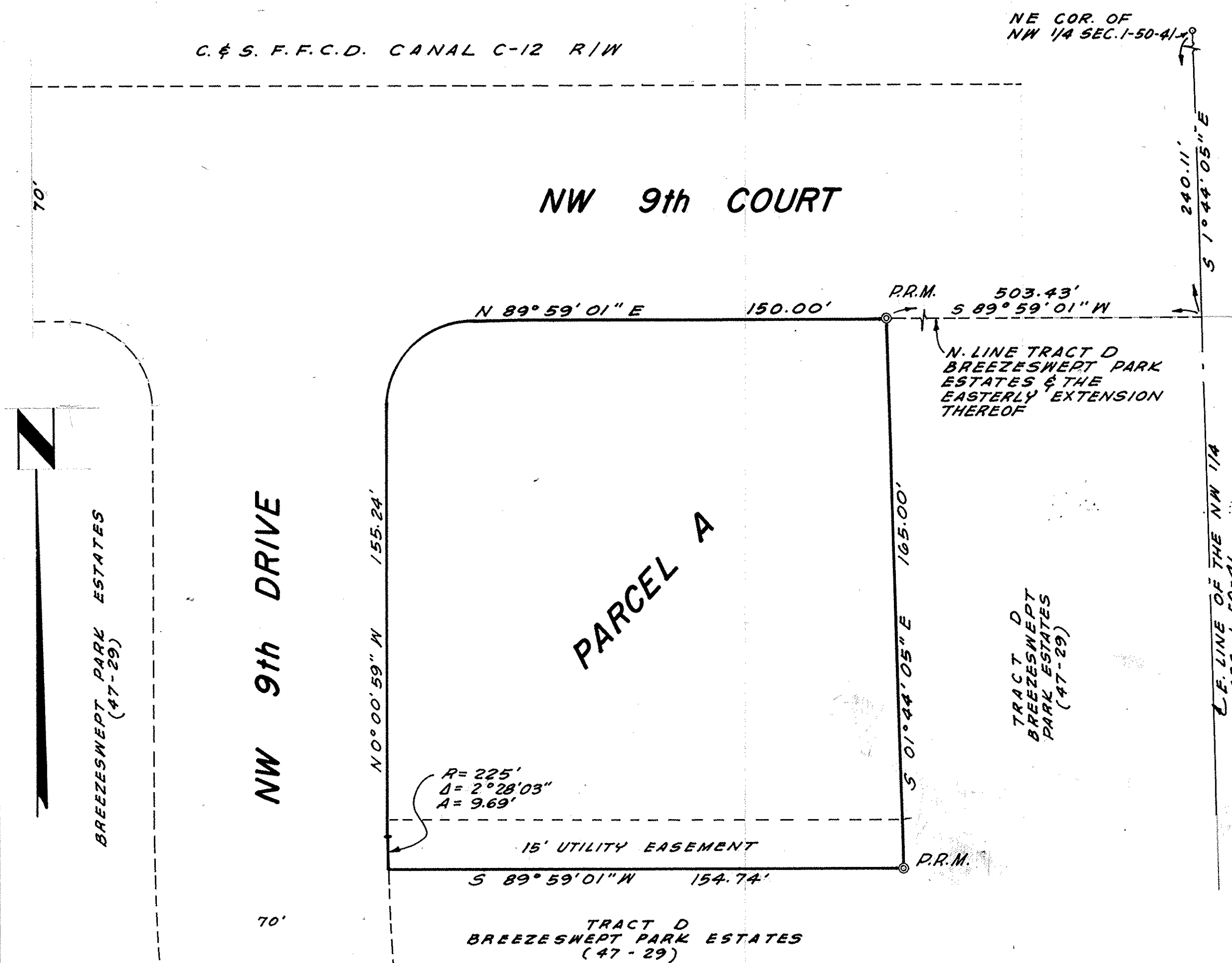
BEING A SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF SECTION 1, TWP. 50S, RGE. 41E.
CITY OF PLANTATION, BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

SCALE: 1" = 30'

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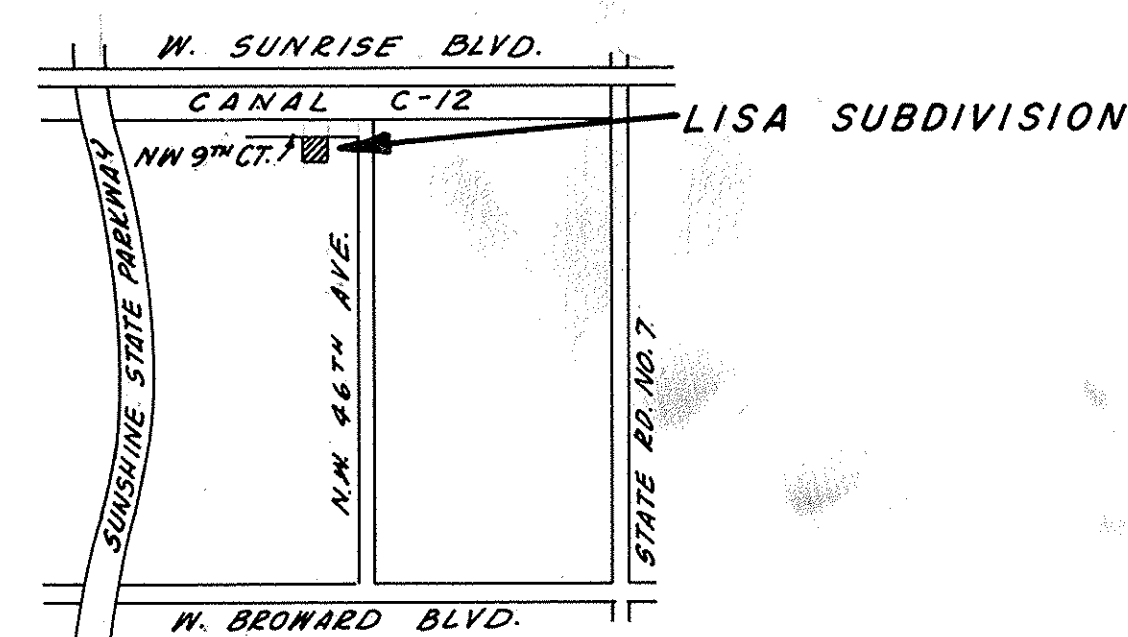
JULY, 1970

PREPARED BY
NORMAN NIEMEYER, INC.
CIVIL ENGINEERS
PLANTATION, FLORIDA



NOTES

1. ALL BEARINGS ARE ASSUMED.
2. @P.R.M. INDICATES PERMANENT REFERENCE MONUMENT.
3. DISTANCES ON BLOCK CORNERS ARE TO THE INTERSECTION OF BLOCK LINES EXTENDED UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.
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BROWARD COUNTY AREA PLANNING BOARD

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE BROWARD COUNTY AREA PLANNING BOARD APPROVED THIS PLAT WITH REGARD TO DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR TRAFFIC WAYS BY RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED THIS 20TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1970

E. Kennedy
VICE CHAIRMAN

CITY PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF THE CITY OF PLANTATION HAS APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS PLAT FOR RECORDING THIS 22ND DAY OF JULY, 1970.

Carl V. Giza
CHAIRMAN

CITY AND COUNTY ENGINEERS

THIS PLAT IS ACCEPTED AND APPROVED FOR RECORD.

William H. 9/1/70
CITY ENGINEER

John M. Gennaro 9/18/70
COUNTY ENGINEER
JOHN M. GENNARO, P.E.
REG. NO. 6895

DESCRIPTION

THAT PORTION OF THE NORTH 165 FEET OF TRACT D, BREEZESWEPT PARK ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47 AT PAGE 29 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT LIES WEST OF A LINE PARALLEL TO THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 50 SOUTH, RANGE 41 EAST AND IS 503.43 FEET WEST OF THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER (NW 1/4) AS MEASURED ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF TRACT D, AND THE EASTERLY EXTENSION THEREOF, SAID NORTH 165 FEET IS AS MEASURED ALONG A LINE PARALLEL TO THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF SAID SECTION 1.

COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAT COMPLIES WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10275 (NO. 253) LAWS OF FLORIDA AND WAS ACCEPTED FOR RECORD BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1970.

ATTEST: JACK WHEELER, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

Edward A. Stuck
DEPUTY CLERK

THIS INSTRUMENT FILED FOR RECORD THIS 21ST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1970, AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 71 AT PAGE 43 RECORD VERIFIED.

JACK WHEELER
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

Paul H. Hayes
DEPUTY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAT HAS BEEN APPROVED AND ACCEPTED FOR RECORDING BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PLANTATION, FLORIDA BY RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY SAID CITY COUNCIL THIS 1ST DAY OF SEPT, 1970.

ATTEST: *Beatrice H. Browning*
CITY CLERK - PLANTATION, FLORIDA

THIS PLAT HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR RECORD.

Dan J. Ward
MAYOR - PLANTATION, FLORIDA

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF A SURVEY MADE UNDER MY DIRECTION AND THAT PERMANENT REFERENCE MONUMENTS (P.R.M.) HAVE BEEN SET AS INDICATED. DATED AT PLANTATION, FLORIDA, THIS 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1970.

Norman Niemeyer
NORMAN NIEMEYER, P.E.
255 LAND SURVEYOR NO. 1431
STATE OF FLORIDA

DEDICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA } ss.
COUNTY OF BROWARD } ss.
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: THAT IRWIN E. KOTT AND JACQUELINE KOTT, HIS WIFE, OWNERS OF THE LANDS DESCRIBED AND SHOWN ON THIS PLAT HAVE CAUSED SAID LANDS TO BE SUBDIVIDED IN THE MANNER SHOWN. ALL EASEMENTS ARE DEDICATED TO THE PERPETUAL USE OF THE PUBLIC FOR PURPOSES INDICATED.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND SEALS THIS 3RD DAY OF September, 1970.

Helmar J. Mirigliano
WITNESS
Faye R. Riser
WITNESS

Irwin E. Kott
IRWIN E. KOTT
Jacqueline Kott
JACQUELINE KOTT

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF FLORIDA } ss.
COUNTY OF BROWARD } ss.
BEFORE ME THIS DAY PERSONALLY APPEARED IRWIN E. KOTT AND JACQUELINE KOTT, HIS WIFE, TO ME WELL KNOWN TO BE THE PERSONS DESCRIBED IN AND WHO EXECUTED THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT AND WHO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THEY EXECUTED THE SAME FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY AND THAT IT IS THE FREE ACT AND DEED OF SAID INDIVIDUALS. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 3RD DAY OF September, 1970.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: Jan. 3, 1974

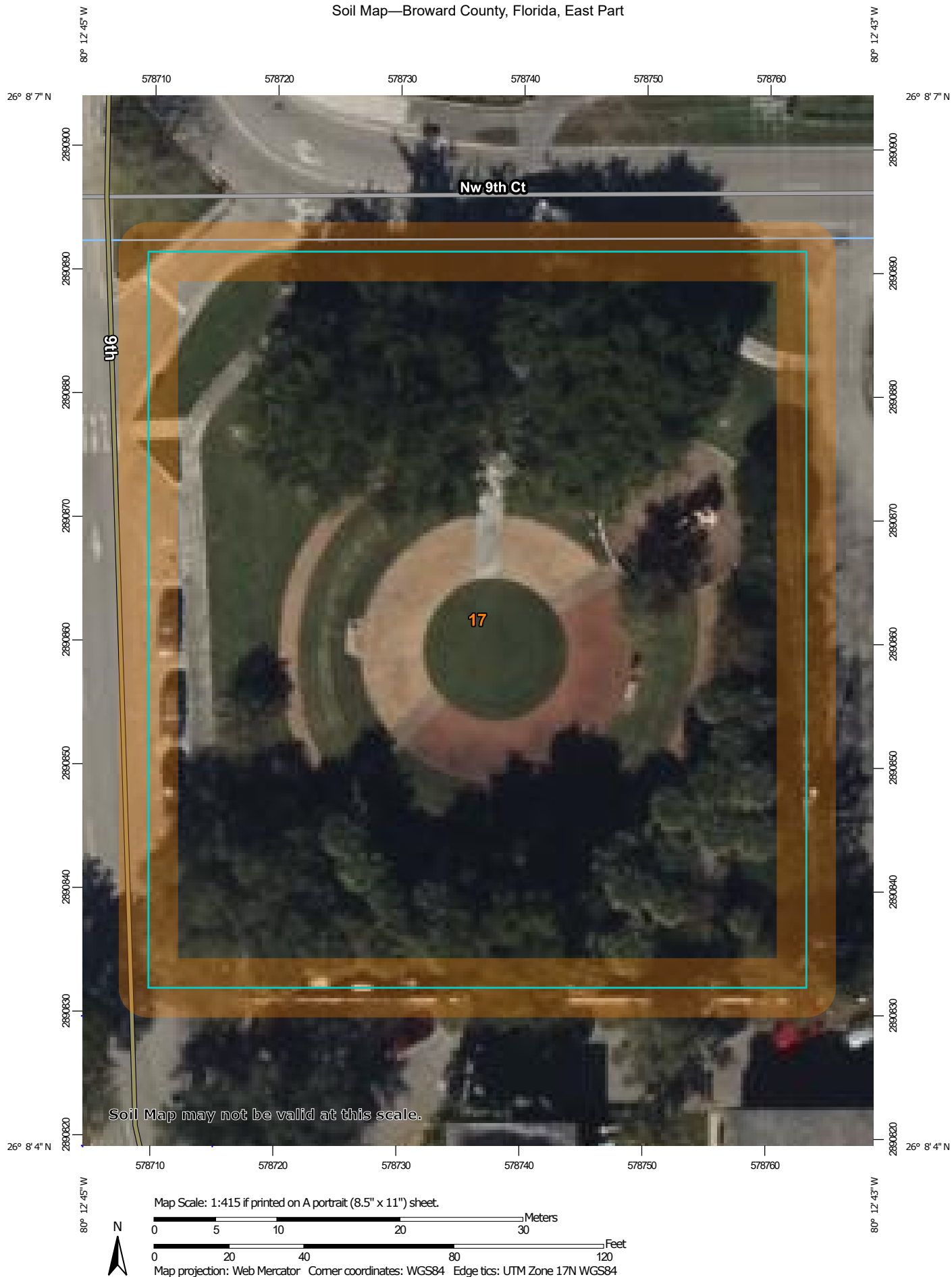
Helmar J. Mirigliano
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

APPENDIX D

USDA-NRCS soil map.

APPENDIX D

Soil Map—Broward County, Florida, East Part



MAP LEGEND

Area of Interest (AOI)

 Area of Interest (AOI)

Soils

 Soil Map Unit Polygons

 Soil Map Unit Lines

 Soil Map Unit Points

Special Point Features



Blowout



Borrow Pit



Clay Spot



Closed Depression



Gravel Pit



Gravelly Spot



Landfill



Lava Flow



Marsh or swamp



Mine or Quarry



Miscellaneous Water



Perennial Water



Rock Outcrop



Saline Spot



Sandy Spot



Severely Eroded Spot



Sinkhole



Slide or Slip



Sodic Spot



Spoil Area



Stony Spot



Very Stony Spot



Wet Spot



Other



Special Line Features

Water Features



Streams and Canals

Transportation



Rails



Interstate Highways



US Routes



Major Roads



Local Roads

Background



Aerial Photography

MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:20,000.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale.

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service

Web Soil Survey URL:

Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Broward County, Florida, East Part

Survey Area Data: Version 21, Aug 29, 2025

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50,000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Jan 14, 2022—Jan 24, 2022

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

Map Unit Legend

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
17	Immokalee-Urban land complex	0.8	100.0%
Totals for Area of Interest		0.8	100.0%

APPENDIX E

Florida Natural Areas Inventory

APPENDIX F



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Biodiversity Matrix Query Results

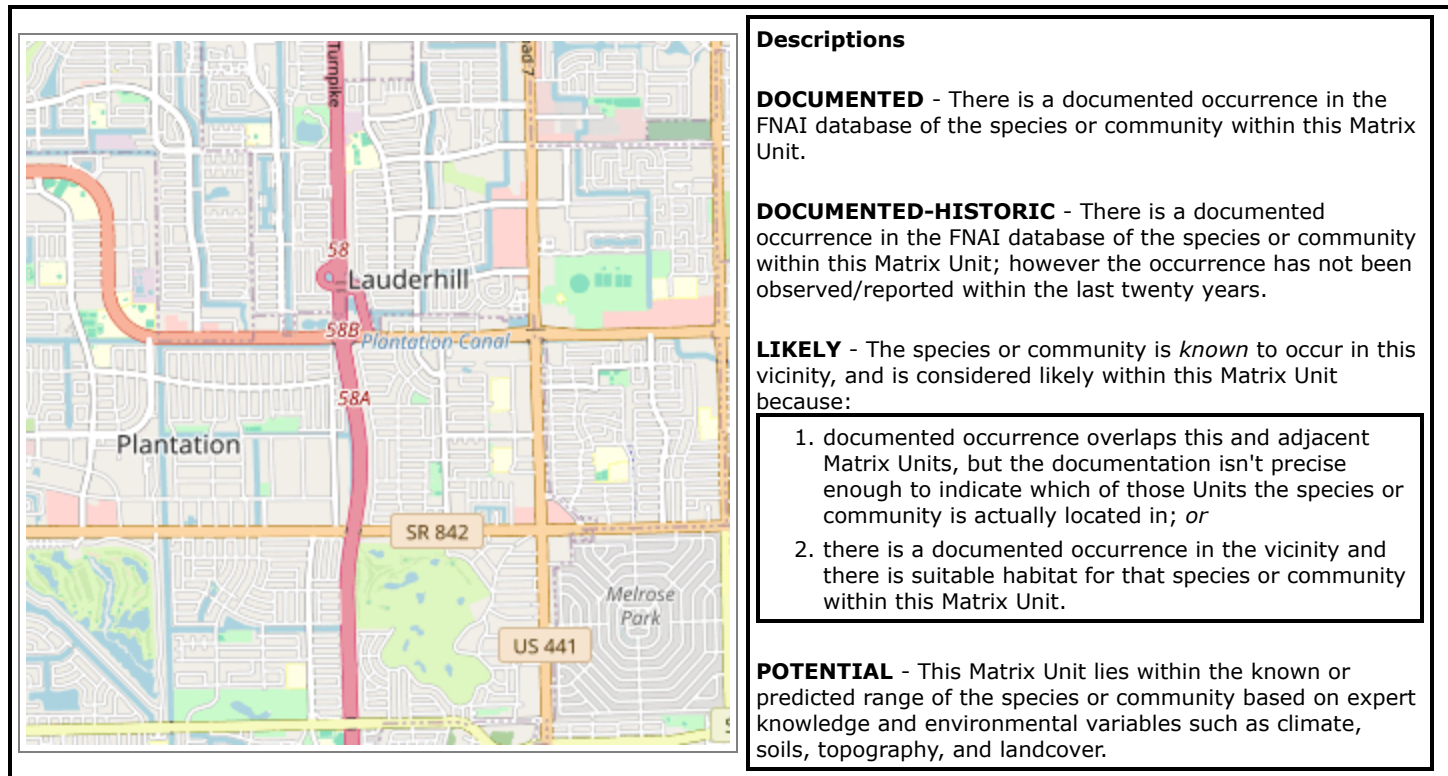
UNOFFICIAL REPORT

Created 7/29/2026

(Contact the FNAI Data Services Coordinator at 850.224.8207 or
kbrinegar@fnai.fsu.edu for information on an official Standard Data Report)

NOTE: The Biodiversity Matrix includes only rare species and natural communities tracked by FNAI.

Report for 1 Matrix Unit: 68049



Matrix Unit ID: 68049

0 **Documented** Elements Found

0 **Documented-Historic** Elements Found

0 **Likely** Elements Found

Matrix Unit ID: 68049

15 **Potential** Elements for Matrix Unit 68049

Scientific and Common Names	Global Rank	State Rank	Federal Status	State Listing
Athene cunicularia floridana Florida Burrowing Owl	G4T3	S3	N	ST
Conradina grandiflora large-flowered rosemary	G3	S3	N	T
Drymarchon couperi Eastern Indigo Snake	G3	S2?	T	FT

<i>Elytraria caroliniensis</i> var. <i>angustifolia</i> narrow-leaved Carolina scalystem	G4T2	S2	N	N
<i>Eumops floridanus</i> Florida bonneted bat	G1	S1	E	FE
<i>Glandularia maritima</i> coastal vervain	G3	S3	N	E
<i>Gopherus polyphemus</i> Gopher Tortoise	G3	S3	C	ST
<i>Jacquemontia curtissii</i> pineland jacquemontia	G2	S2	N	T
<i>Lechea cernua</i> nodding pinweed	G3	S3	N	T
<i>Phyllophaga elongata</i> Elongate June Beetle	G3	S3	N	N
<i>Roystonea regia</i> Florida royal palm	G2G3	S2	N	E
<i>Sachsia polycephala</i> Bahama sachsia	G2	S2	N	T
<i>Sceloporus woodi</i> Florida Scrub Lizard	G2G3	S2S3	N	N
<i>Swietenia mahagoni</i> West Indies mahogany	G3G4	S3	N	T
<i>Trichomanes punctatum</i> ssp. <i>floridanum</i> Florida filmy fern	G4G5T1	S1	E	E

Disclaimer

The data maintained by the Florida Natural Areas Inventory represent the single most comprehensive source of information available on the locations of rare species and other significant ecological resources statewide. However, the data are not always based on comprehensive or site-specific field surveys. Therefore, this information should not be regarded as a final statement on the biological resources of the site being considered, nor should it be substituted for on-site surveys. FNAI shall not be held liable for the accuracy and completeness of these data, or opinions or conclusions drawn from these data. FNAI is not inviting reliance on these data. Inventory data are designed for the purposes of conservation planning and scientific research and are not intended for use as the primary criteria for regulatory decisions.

Unofficial Report

These results are considered unofficial. FNAI offers a [Standard Data Request](#) option for those needing certifiable data.

APPENDIX F

Public Hearing / Public Input – Land Management Plan Update for Lease No.
4757, Plantation Park East Trailhead / Kingsley Park

<https://www.plantation.org/government/city-council/watch-meetings-live-online>



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the City Council prior to the start of the meeting.

- Citizens wishing to provide virtual comments must register by 5 p.m. on the day before the meeting to provide City staff sufficient time to provide instructions to citizens for comment during the meeting. Register at [Registration for Zoom](#). Virtual comment is offered as a courtesy and is not a substitute for in-person comments. **You must provide detail on what agenda item you are requesting to speak on.** Failure to register will result in a citizen not being able to provide virtual comments during the meeting.

[Agenda & Meeting Minute Archives](#)

[2026 City Council Meeting Dates](#) as adopted by RESO 2025-029 on August 27, 2025

2026

2025

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+ Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

+ City Council/CRA

+ Educational Advisory Board

+ Library Board

- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

		Agenda	Minutes	Video	Agenda Packet
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	Aug 18, 2026 - 6:30 PM	Agenda			Agenda Packet
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	May 12, 2026 - 6:30 PM	Agenda	Minutes		Agenda Packet
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	Feb 17, 2026 - 6:30 PM	Agenda	Minutes		Agenda Packet

+ Planning & Zoning Board

+ Plantation Gateway Advisory Board

+ Plantation Midtown Advisory Board

+ Retirement Boards

+ Review Committee

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Notice of Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Central Park
9151 N.W. 2nd Street
Plantation, FL 33324

August 18, 2026 – 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

[May 12th, 2026 Meeting Minutes](#)

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. [Public Hearing: Conservation Management Plan Update for Plantation Park East Trailhead / Kingsley Smith Park Lease No. 4757](#)

b. [FRPA Awards](#)

c. [Proposed Fee Changes](#)

5. OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSIONS

a. [Pickle Court Usage](#)

b. [Project Updates](#)

Summary

- a. Liberty Tree Park
- b. North Acres & Marciano Estates Park
- c. Country Club Estates Playground
- d. Melaleuca Isles Park
- e. Plantation Preserve Golf Course & Club
- f. Volunteer Park Bridges

c. [2027 Meeting Dates](#)

6. ADJOURNMENT

7. **Notice:** *The City of Plantation will provide reasonable accommodations for disabled individuals requesting special assistance in order to attend or participate in this meeting; provided however, that a request for such assistance must be made to the Parks and Recreation Department (954) 452-2514 at least five (5) calendar days prior to the meeting. Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that if any person should decide to appeal any decision made at the forthcoming meeting for which this agenda constitutes notice, such person will need a record of the proceedings*

conducted at such meeting, and for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. More than 1 elected official may be in attendance.



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City of Plantation
City Council Chambers

Subject:

Public Hearing: Conservation Management Plan Update for Plantation Park East Trailhead /
Kingsley Smith Park
▪ Lease No. 4757

Summary:

Background:

Funding:

Amount:

Finance Director/Budget Manager Recommendation:

Prepared By:

Nerissa Manic

ATTACHMENTS:

[Conservation LMP - Kingsley Smith Park 2026 \(DRAFT\).pdf](#)



**PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
PLANTATION, FLORIDA**

August 18, 2026

1) CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Present: Phyllis Lind
Sandra Gracey-Sibble
Darin Lees
Frank Carreras
Lizet Hampton
Gregg Goldstein
Amy Miller
Absent: Reuben Soto
Maria Barth
Marcia Elliott
Joellen Floyd
Peter Steszewski

Amy Miller arrived at 6:54 p.m. after roll was called.

Parks and Recreation Director Patricia O'Toole called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m. and self-introductions were made. Assistant Director of Operations Mike Ambrosio, Superintendent of Aquatics & Racquet Sports Chris Cooksey, and Project Manager Dibb Machuca were also in attendance.

2) APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

May 12th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Gregg Goldstein, seconded by Darin Lees, to approve the May 12th, 2026 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Phyllis Lind, Sandra Gracey-Sibble, Darin Lees, Frank Carreras, Lizet Hampton, Gregg Goldstein

Nays: None

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Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes 05-12-26.pdf 

3) **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Richard Cormier, a Plantation resident, asked about the condition of the basketball nets at Jim Ward Park, noting that they were in disrepair and that some nets were metal while others were fabric. Parks and Recreation staff acknowledged his concerns and briefly discussed the matter as a maintenance issue. Mr. Ambrosio stated new nets had been delivered and they would be replaced.

4) **NEW BUSINESS**

a.)

Public Hearing: Conservation Management Plan Update for Plantation Park East Trailhead / Kingsley Smith Park

Lease No. 4757

Ms. O'Toole explained that the park property known as Plantation Park East Trailhead/ Kingsley Smith Park had been acquired through the State of Florida's Florida Forever Office of Greenways and Trails for public greenway, trailhead, and outdoor recreation purposes. She stated that, as a condition of maintaining the land, the City was required to present the Conservation Management Plan to the public and review it every ten years pursuant to state requirements.

Ms. O'Toole advised that the updated plan had been prepared for submission to the State and that the hearing was being held to receive public input prior to finalizing the plan. Ms. Lizet Hampton requested clarification regarding the property's ownership history, and Ms. O'Toole explained that the City had previously acquired the site from the State. She further noted that the management plan had initially been reviewed more frequently before transitioning to a ten-year review cycle. There were no comments or suggestions on modifications to the plan by board members.

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Conservation LMP - Kingsley Smith Park 2026 (DRAFT).pdf 

b.) **FRPA Awards**

Ms. O'Toole reported that the department had received all three awards for which it had been nominated through the Florida Recreation and Park Association. She stated that the Bring Back the Buzz campaign won for best public relations campaign, and the Nature Corner magazine won in the electronic media/public relations category.

She also announced that Mike Ambrosio, Assistant Director of Operations, had received the

Golden Shovel Award, a statewide recognition honoring professionals who are prominent in their communities, demonstrate professionalism in parks and recreation, and actively participate in community service. Ms. O'Toole added that staff would attend the annual conference to maintain their certifications, fulfill continuing education requirements, and participate in the awards recognition ceremony.

Board members congratulated Mr. Ambrosio on receiving the award. Mr. Ambrosio also briefly acknowledged the contributions of the Sustainability and Resiliency Advisory Board members who named "Buzzy," as well as the staff member Nerissa Manic, for her help in developing the "Bring Back the Buzz" campaign name.

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c.) Proposed Fee Changes

Ms. O'Toole advised the Board that staff had been preparing annual and biennial fee adjustments for presentation to the City Council in the coming weeks. She stated that the proposed changes would affect memberships, events, programs, and athletic field fees and were based on comparisons with surrounding municipalities. She emphasized that the increases under consideration were modest, generally ranging from approximately 2 to 8 percent, depending on the fee.

A substantial portion of the discussion centered on the potential impact of statewide property tax reform. Ms. O'Toole explained that staff were reviewing fees with the understanding that the City could lose significant property tax revenue if state proposals moved forward. Board members and attendees expressed concern that any reduction in ad valorem tax revenue could ultimately affect quality of life, staffing levels, amenities, maintenance of parks and recreation facilities, and other City services.

Mr. Dibb Machuca clarified that the concern was not based on a City decision to reduce parks funding but rather on state-level proposals that could substantially affect municipal revenues. Mr. Ambrosio noted that, under the framework being discussed, no ad valorem tax revenue could be used to support the department, making Parks and Recreation especially vulnerable. Board Member Sibble-Gracey stated that while lower taxes may seem appealing, residents often do not realize the service reductions or fee increases that may result.

Ms. O'Toole further noted that department heads had been asked to prepare budget reduction scenarios of up to 10 percent for the City's January strategic planning session as part of contingency planning efforts. Board members and attendees expressed skepticism that Parks and Recreation budgets could sustain such reductions without visible impacts on programming, maintenance, and capital improvements. Mr. Ambrosio also discussed the effects of inflation on recreation construction costs, noting that playground expenses had increased significantly since the COVID-19 pandemic.

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5) **OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSIONS**

a.) Pickle Court Usage

Before addressing pickleball, Chris Cooksey provided a brief aquatics update. He reported that the City's learn-to-swim program had surpassed its long-term goal, reaching 1,008 registrations

as of August across group lessons, private lessons, and Swim Central programming, with the year projected to end closer to 1,100 registrations. He stated that the next goal would focus less on growth and more on maintaining participation while expanding water safety education and public awareness. He discussed access to county and state swim vouchers and the department's intent to coordinate broader messaging around drowning prevention, child safety, home pool safety, and related issues.

The Board discussed the need for parent education and broader public outreach in light of recent child drowning incidents. Suggestions included stronger communications, partnerships with public safety agencies and elected officials, and use of open pool access to encourage parent-led water familiarization and safety instruction.

Mr. Cooksey then introduced the pickleball discussion. He reported that the City had hired a new tennis supervisor, Gregory "Moose" DeMoustes, who had already expressed interest in programming pickleball activities and events. He mentioned that staff were studying ways to manage growing demand for the pickleball courts while preserving the open-play and social nature of the sport.

He outlined several concepts under consideration: a beginner social league on slower weeknights, a more competitive intermediate/advanced format on busier nights, and quarterly demo days with outside partners such as vendors or health providers to add value without significant City cost. Mr. Cooksey said the intent was not to eliminate free play, but to introduce structured options for users seeking dedicated programming.

Board members raised continued concerns about non-residents using Plantation courts and limiting access for Plantation residents, especially at Central Park and Volunteer Park. Mr. Cooksey acknowledged the concern but explained that unlike the tennis center, the pickleball site lacks controlled access, dedicated staffing, buildings, and other infrastructure needed for reservations or formal check-in systems. He said organized leagues could provide residents with discounted rates and priority registration but could not fully solve the issue of open daily access at an unmanned public facility.

The board discussed possible app-based or reservation-based approaches, but staff cautioned that any such system would still require enforcement, staffing, and funding, and could create additional challenges such as no-shows and inequitable time blocking. Mr. Cooksey stated that pickleball culture is generally self-regulated through paddle rotation and open play but acknowledged the difficulty of ensuring equitable access at a high-demand public site. The discussion concluded with staff indicating that limited programming options would likely be piloted first to evaluate public interest and operational impacts.

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b.) Project Updates

a. Liberty Tree Park

Mr. Machuca reported that the all-inclusive playground was approximately 95 percent complete and that final inspections were expected imminently. He stated that the next phase would address ADA accessibility improvements, including parking, drainage, and walkway connections, and that this phase was being led by the engineering department. Mr. Ambrosio noted that some fencing improvements would also be addressed as the next phase progressed. Discussion included the deteriorated wood fencing at the site, and Mr. Ambrosio stated the plan was to replace sections with wood rather than more expensive composite materials.

b. North Acres & Marcano Estates Park

Mr. Machuca reported that the contractor had been awarded and had submitted engineering plans, which were under review. He had returned comments and were awaiting revised drawings and permit resubmittals. He also stated that once permits were approved, materials would be procured and installation schedules coordinated for both parks. Completion was tentatively expected around late December or early January.

Board discussion reflected resident frustration about delays, particularly at North Acres, where signage had announced that a playground was coming soon. Mr. Machuca explained that the project included integrated shade at North Acres and a more cost-effective combination of natural and integrated shade at Marcano Estates Park.

c. Country Club Estates Playground

Mr. Machuca stated that the formal solicitation package for the Country Club Estates playground was being assembled by the procurement department and had not yet been released. He explained the next steps in the process, including solicitation, bid receipt, evaluation, council award, and then project implementation.

The Board comments focused not only on the future playground but also on concerns about policing, maintenance, and reported inappropriate activity in the park. Mr. Machuca clarified that his role was limited to capital projects and that public safety concerns would need to be handled operationally through the appropriate departments.

d. Melaleuca Isles Park

Mr. Ambrosio reported that this small neighborhood park had been used as a staging area during nearby drainage, utility, roadway, and sidewalk work. With that work now substantially complete, the park was being restored. He stated that the older swing set was being replaced with a new two-bay swing set with shade and upgraded seats, and that fencing and sidewalk-related improvements were in permitting. He described the park as a very small neighborhood site primarily serving the immediately adjacent residential area.

e. Plantation Preserve Golf Course & Club

Mr. Machuca summarized the recent City Council workshop regarding the Plantation Preserve Golf Course improvement project. He stated that the consultant had presented findings on turf conditions, irrigation and pump infrastructure, bulkheads, conceptual plans, and project scheduling. He anticipated returning to Council in October 2026 for the next phase, including turf procurement and authorization for the final design work.

Mr. Machuca stated that construction on the golf course itself was anticipated to begin around February or March 2028. He emphasized that the project would improve the course while maintaining the overall existing footprint and general design character. Planned work would address aging infrastructure, maintenance deficiencies, and playability.

Mr. Machuca also reported that a separate consultant was evaluating the clubhouse, including roof, mechanical systems, accessibility, circulation, and remaining useful life of major components, to help determine the scope and cost of future renovations. He said the intent was to coordinate clubhouse improvements with the broader golf course improvements. Discussion also clarified that golf-related funding comes from enterprise-type sources rather than the general fund, though inflationary pressures remain a concern.

f. Volunteer Park Bridges

Ms. O'Toole reported, based on an update from the engineering department, that permits had been approved by both the County and the City and that the project was now in the bidding phase through procurement. She confirmed that funding had been budgeted over multiple years, with some additional contingency included while the City awaited potential grant reimbursement decisions. Mr. Ambrosio stated that all of the bridges at issue would be addressed and that the work would involve wood replacement rather than more expensive composite alternatives, as wood was determined to be the more practical and cost-effective option.

During the broader project discussion, Plantation resident Richard Cormier asked about police presence in parks and raised concerns regarding loitering, the use of electrical outlets, and smoking near family areas, particularly around park restroom buildings. Ms. O'Toole stated that the department has a strong working relationship with the Police Department and that she would contact the department regarding additional patrols and enforcement attention at the identified park.

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c.) 2027 Meeting Dates

Ms. O'Toole distributed the proposed 2027 meeting dates and stated that meetings were planned for February, May, August, and November. She noted that the schedule had been adjusted from prior years in order to align with grant and reporting deadlines, including the management plan review timeline discussed earlier in the meeting. She stated that the next advisory board meeting would be held on November 18 at Volunteer Park.

Additional discussion occurred regarding Deicke Park Hall/Auditorium restoration. Mr. Machuca reported that the project was focused on structural roof repairs and related interior repairs, with current contract completion set for February of the following year and hopes for earlier completion if possible. He noted that flooring work was not fully included in the current contract, though staff were working to identify funding and next steps. Board members and attendees then discussed whether the Parks and Recreation Foundation could be reactivated or strengthened to support projects through fundraising, donations, sponsorships, and community engagement. Ms. O'Toole agreed to reach out to foundation representatives for an update.

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2027 Meeting Dates 

6) **ADJOURNMENT: 8:17 p.m.**