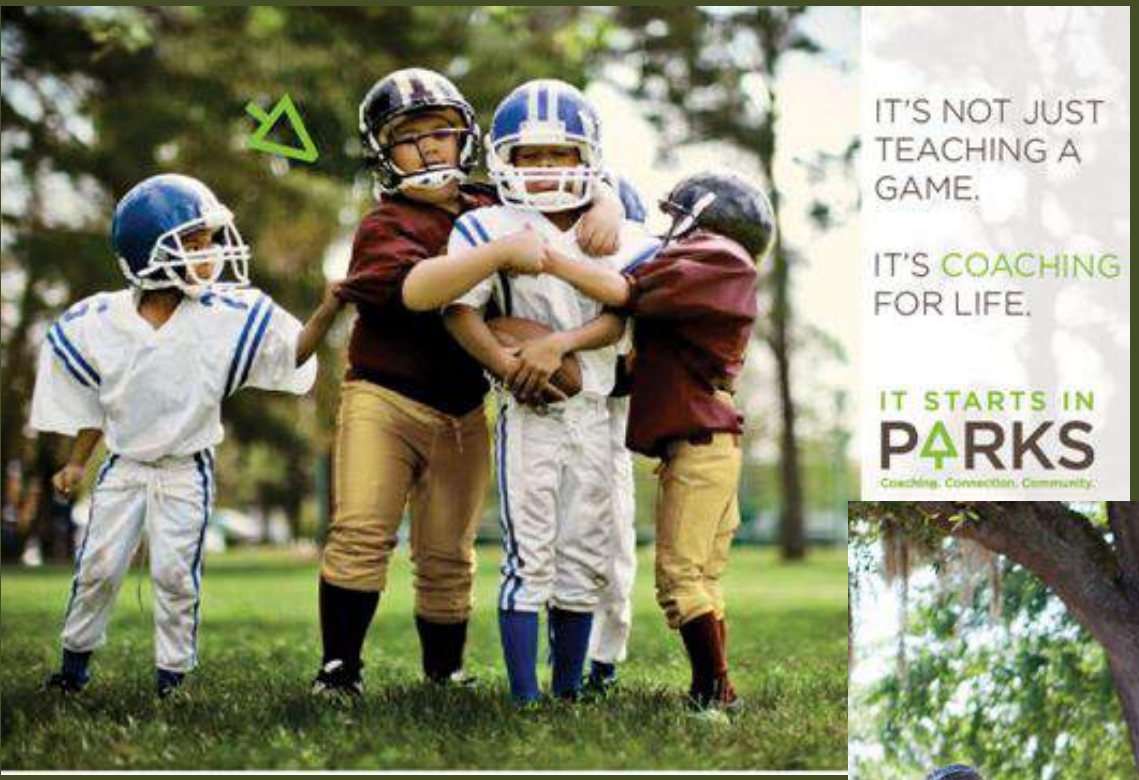
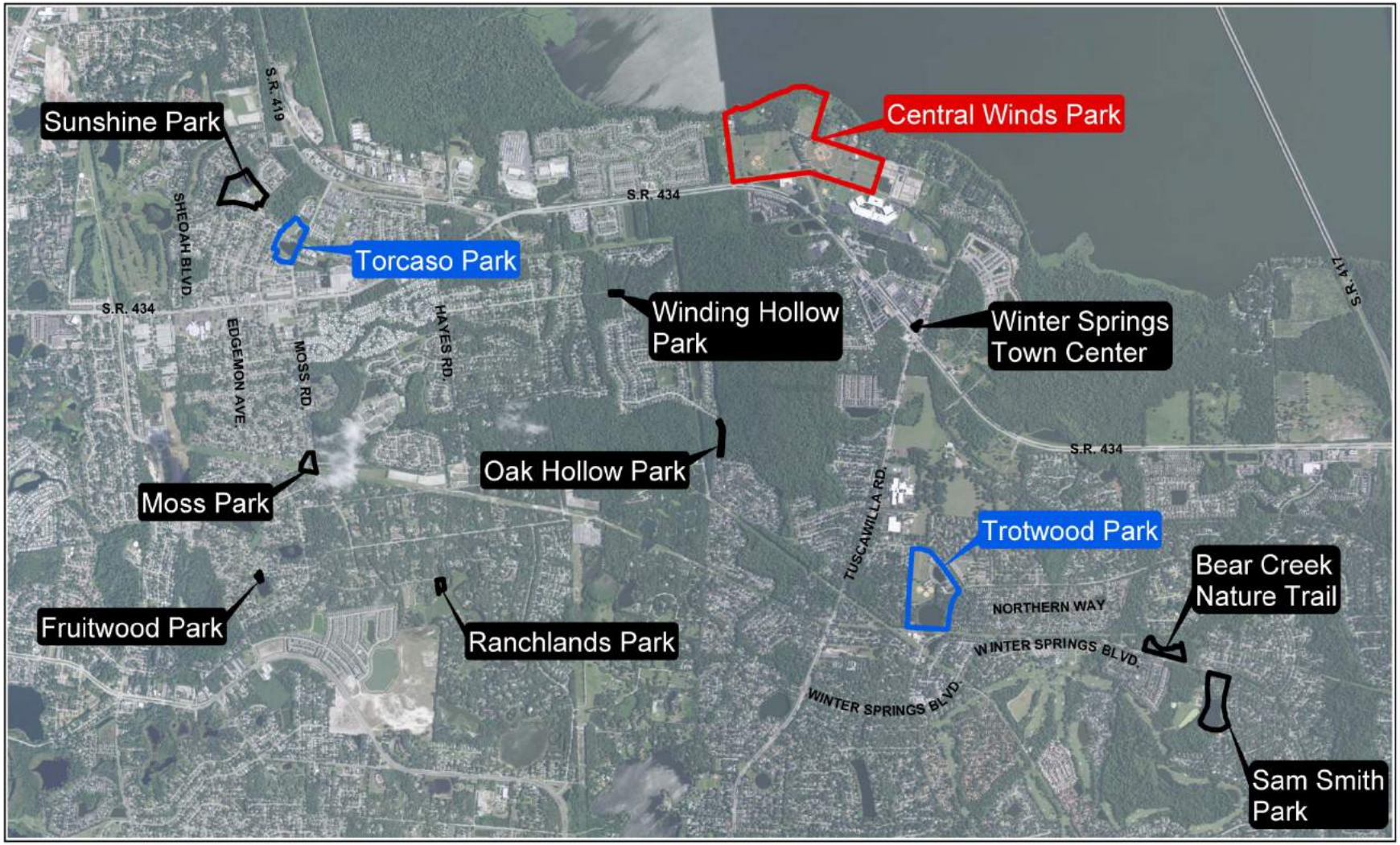
PARKS WORKSHOP

It Starts in Parks





City Parks

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	Bear Creek Nature Trail	Central Winds Park	Central Winds Park Expansion	Fruitwood Park	Moss Park	Oak Hollow Park	Ranchlands Park	Sam Smith Park	Sunshine Park	Tarcaso Park	Trotwood Park	Winding Hollow Park	Winter Springs Town Center
Baseball/Softball Fields		◆	◆						◆	◆	◆		
Basketball Courts		◆			◆				◆	◆	◆		
Civic Center									◆				
Dog Park			◆										
Fishing Areas		◆	◆					◆	◆	◆	◆		
Lacrosse Fields			◆										
Nature Trail	◆	◆											
Park Ranger Office		◆											
Park & Rec Main Office		◆											
Picnic Pavilions		◆			◆		◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	
Restrooms		◆			◆				◆	◆	◆		
Senior Center									◆				
Senior Therapy Pool									◆				
Soccer/Football Fields		◆	◆							◆			
Community Events		◆	◆						◆				◆
Splash Playground										◆	◆		
Tennis Courts											◆		
Tot Playgrounds		◆						◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	
Volleyball Courts		◆					◆		◆				
Youth Playgrounds		◆		◆	◆	◆		◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	

Fun Facts

How many Baseball fields do we have?

a. 2
b. 14
c. 16
d. 21

Fun Facts

How many people visit Central Winds Park Annually?

a. Over 100,000
b. 20,000
c. 10,000
d. 1,000

It Starts in Parks…
…in Winter Springs

- 34,000+ Residents
- 11 Parks
- Award winning Senior Therapy Pool
- Senior Center & Therapy Pool

  (over 1100 Senior Center and Therapy Pool Memberships)

It Starts in Parks…
…in Winter Springs

Youth Sports – over 3,000 kids

Traditional Summer Camp with 100 kids enrolled for 10 weeks (letter)

4 Seasonal Community Events

Dog Park (from 15 to 200 daily)

The 5th Annual

Spring Family Festival

Saturday, March 5th from 5pm-9pm
Winter Springs Town Center

The Barley Wine Band

Cruisin Orlando

Enjoy Family Activities:

Live Entertainment . Kids Play Area

Face Painting. Kid's Crafts. Food & Beverage Vendors

Car Show by Cruisin Orlando

City of Winter Springs
Incorporated 1959
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RE/MAX
TOWN & COUNTRY
REALTY

City of Winter Springs
Parks and Recreation
Excellence
Service
Accountability
Safety
Teamwork

DOG PARK

Yelp rates the Winter Springs Dog Park #1 Dog Park in the Area. Lake Baldwin ranks #2

DOG PARK

A DOG'S LIFE in Seminole

Take a tour of the area's outstanding dog parks and get a "first-paw" take on what makes our community great for dogs and dog-lovers alike

by George Colombo

For almost 100 years, the most popular trend in U.S. city parks was playground development. In a fast-growing country that cherished its kids, that tendency made perfect sense. In 2016, however, more American households own dogs (43 million) than have young children at home (32 million). As a result, cities across the country have adjusted their park priorities accordingly. Today, off-leash dog parks have become the fastest-growing segment of park development, according to the nonprofit Trust for Public Land. *USA Today* recently described the role of contemporary dog parks as "the equivalent of playgrounds and community centers."

Here in Seminole County, the trend is evident in five of the county's seven cities. Casselberry, Longwood, Oviedo, Sanford, and Winter Springs have all opened dog parks since 2000, and dog owners – along with their canine companions – have been flocking to them ever since. On the human side of the equation, Seminole's dog parks have provided a backdrop for developing friendships, doing business, and even pursuing courtships. One couple who met at Hound Ground in Winter Springs shortly after it opened recently announced that they're expecting their second child! Among the dogs, the only thing we know for sure is that they always seem to be enjoying themselves when they're at the park and are invariably eager to come back for more.

Every dog park in Seminole County has its own unique attributes and charms. If you're a dog owner, you'll probably want to visit them all. Here's a brief guide to help you find each one and know what you can expect when you get there.

Realtor Carolyn Mollitt and Jester

HOUND GROUND WINTER SPRINGS

900 Hicks Avenue (western end of Central Winds Park)
Dawn to dusk, Thursday through Tuesday
Closed Wednesday

Hound Ground in Winter Springs is the tidiest and best maintained of the county's naturally surfaced dog parks. It features plenty of amenities for both humans and dogs, including manicured grass, a canine drinking fountain, sidewalks, shaded pavilions, picnic tables, and a smattering of agility equipment. If your objective is to get your dog to the park and then back home without needing to give him a bath, it's your best bet. Of course, dogs being dogs, that's never a sure thing, but the park also offers a newly installed bathing station that makes cleanup relatively painless.

ARBOR PARK LONGWOOD

1405 North Grant Street (north end of Candyland Park)
Dawn to dusk

The largest of all the dog parks in Seminole County, Arbor Park provides more than ample space for dogs to explore. Owners will find benches and picnic tables scattered throughout the park so they can relax while their companions exercise and play. The park's most-appreciated attribute, though, is a dense canopy of treetops that keep the entire area shaded during even the sunniest days of summer. Arbor Park is picturesque and relaxed, a great place for both you and your dog to unwind at the end of the workday. And, at the risk of being indelicate, it's worth mentioning that Arbor Park provides visitors with the biggest, thickest doggie cleanup bags in the county!

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Parks Development

1992 – Central Winds Park	$4.5M
1993 – Soccer Fields CWP	$600K
1999 – Parks Improvements	$2.5M
2003 – CWP Expansion	$3.8M
2007 – Wincey Property	$1.0M
2009 – Dog Park	$200K
2009 – Senior Therapy Pool	$855K
Total	$12M

Grants

FRDAP#1 – 2000 – $150K – Trotwood Park add major items
FRDAP#2 – 2001 - $200K – Sunshine Park
FRDAP#3 – 2001 - $200K – Torcaso Park
FRDAP#4 – 2002 - $200K – Torcaso Park(Splash Pad)
CDBG #1 – 2002 - $115K – Sunshine Park
FRDAP#5 – 2003 - $200K – Central Winds
FRDAP#6 – 2004 - $200K – Central Winds(Practice Fields)
CDBG #2 – 2007 - $855K – Sunshine Park(Therapy Pool)
FRDAP#7 – 2008 - $200K – Trotwood Park(Splash Pad)
FRDAP#8 – 2009 - $ 75K – Dog Park
EECBG – 2013 - $250K – CWP Lights F1/F2
LWCF #1 – 2015 - $200K – Torcaso Park (Matching)
FRDAP#9 – 2016 - $200K – Central Winds Park
CULTURAL - 2016 – $500K – Magnolia

TOTAL GRANTS $3.5M

Park Improvements

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In 2010…

Dog Park (In original master plan)

Completed

Temporary Dog Park - 2007
Permanent location - 2009
Ditch project - 2012
Road paving - 2013
Park Improvements - 2015
Bark in the Park – 2015

In Progress

Resodding of Bahia grass

Future Plans

New Walkways

Neighborhood Parks

Winding Hollow Park

Playground replacement – FY16

Oak Hollow Park

Two Oodle swings – 2015

Playground renovations – FY 17

Ranchlands Park

Pavilion repairs – FY17

Bear Creek Nature Trail

Trail repairs – FY16

Fruitwood Park

New playground – FY15

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Winding Hollow Park Before

Winding Hollow Park After

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Incorporated
1959
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Trotwood Park

Trotwood Park

Completed

Resurfacing of tennis courts
Removal of racquetball courts
Resurfacing of B-ball courts
Dock renovation
New backstops for baseball fields

In Progress

Free Little Library
Parking lot paving, sidewalks, curbs, landscaping

Future Plans

Reseeding of bermuda grass
New soccer goals
Family Pavilion

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ULTRA

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Incorporated
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IN GOD WE TRUST
Torcaso Park

TORCASO PARK

Completed

Restore entrance
Playground borders
Replace shade covers

In Progress

Playground replacement
Dock renovations

Future Plans

Large Family pavilion
Educational Playground replacement
Restroom renovations
New outdoor basketball court
Multi purpose Trails and Sidewalks

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Torcaso Park Before

Torcaso Park After

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Sunshine Park

Sunshine Park

Completed

New PVC handrails in Therapy Pool Phase 1 and 2
New PVC handrails in Therapy Pool Phase 3 and 4
Resurfacing of B-ball court
A/C replacement phase 1
Ball field fencing

In Progress

Renovation of Civic Center Floors, Windows, Ceiling, Fans, Kitchen & Entry Door, ice machine

Future Plans

Playground replacement
Civic Center media upgrade
Senior Center restrooms

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Civic Center

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Incorporated
1959
IN GOD WE TRUST
Sam Smith Park

Sam Smith Park Before

Sam Smith Park After

Sam Smith Park

Completed

Invasive plant removal phase 1
Invasive plant removal phase 2
Invasive plant removal phase 3
New Oodle Swing

In progress

Playground replacement
Removal of invasive plants

Future plans

Playground replacement

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Moss Park

Moss Park

Completed

Security camera installed 2012

Restroom renovation 2013

New four square game court 2014

New basketball goals 2015

Basketball resurfacing 2015

In Progress

Playground replacement FY16

Future Plans

Park borders replacement FY17

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Welcome to
Central Winds Park
CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS
Incorporated
1959
FLORIDA
Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department

Highland Games

Central Winds Park

Completed

Dog Park
Water treatment facility and fishing pier
Highland Games 10 yr agreement
Shade covers and bleachers
Ball field fencing
Ball field sidewalks
Soccer goals and benches
Overhead safety netting

In Progress

Renovation of Scoreboards
Sidewalk connectivity & ADA accessibility
Orange Ave Ph 2 and 3 project
Renovation of baseball fields #5/6
Event open space sidewalk and electric upgrade

Central Winds Park

Future Plans

Playground renovations
Phase 3 Sidewalk
Security cameras and WiFi
Restroom renovations
Kiosk
Thorguard upgrade at practice fields

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Master Plans History

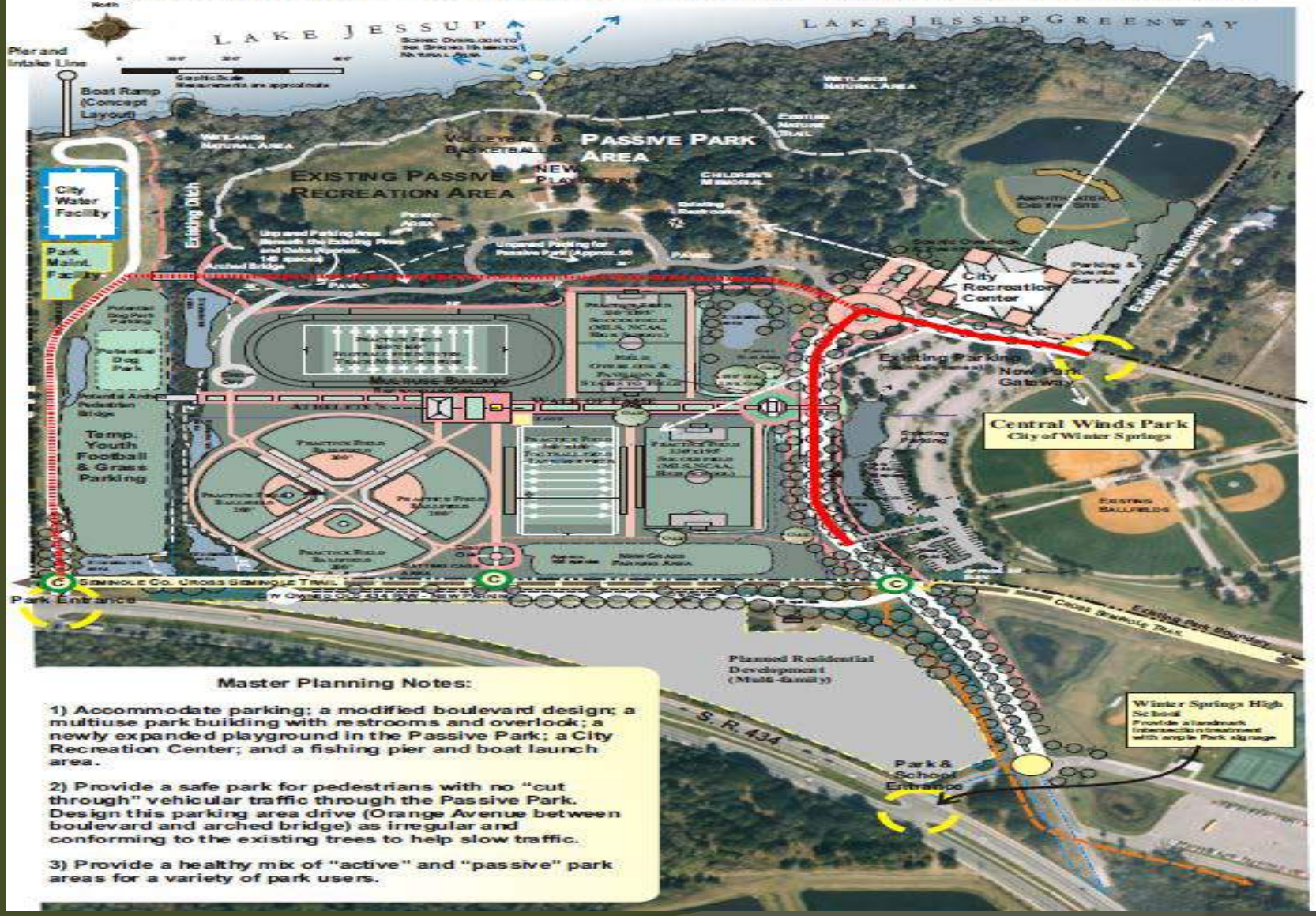
Central Winds Park

- Master Plan approved by City Commission in 2004

Torcaso Park

- Master Plan approved by City Commission in 2009

CENTRAL WINDS PARK MASTER PLAN



Master Planning Notes:

1) Accommodate parking; a modified boulevard design; a multiuse park building with restrooms and overlook; a newly expanded playground in the Passive Park; a City Recreation Center; and a fishing pier and boat launch area.

2) Provide a safe park for pedestrians with no "cut through" vehicular traffic through the Passive Park. Design this parking area drive (Orange Avenue between boulevard and arched bridge) as irregular and conforming to the existing trees to help slow traffic.

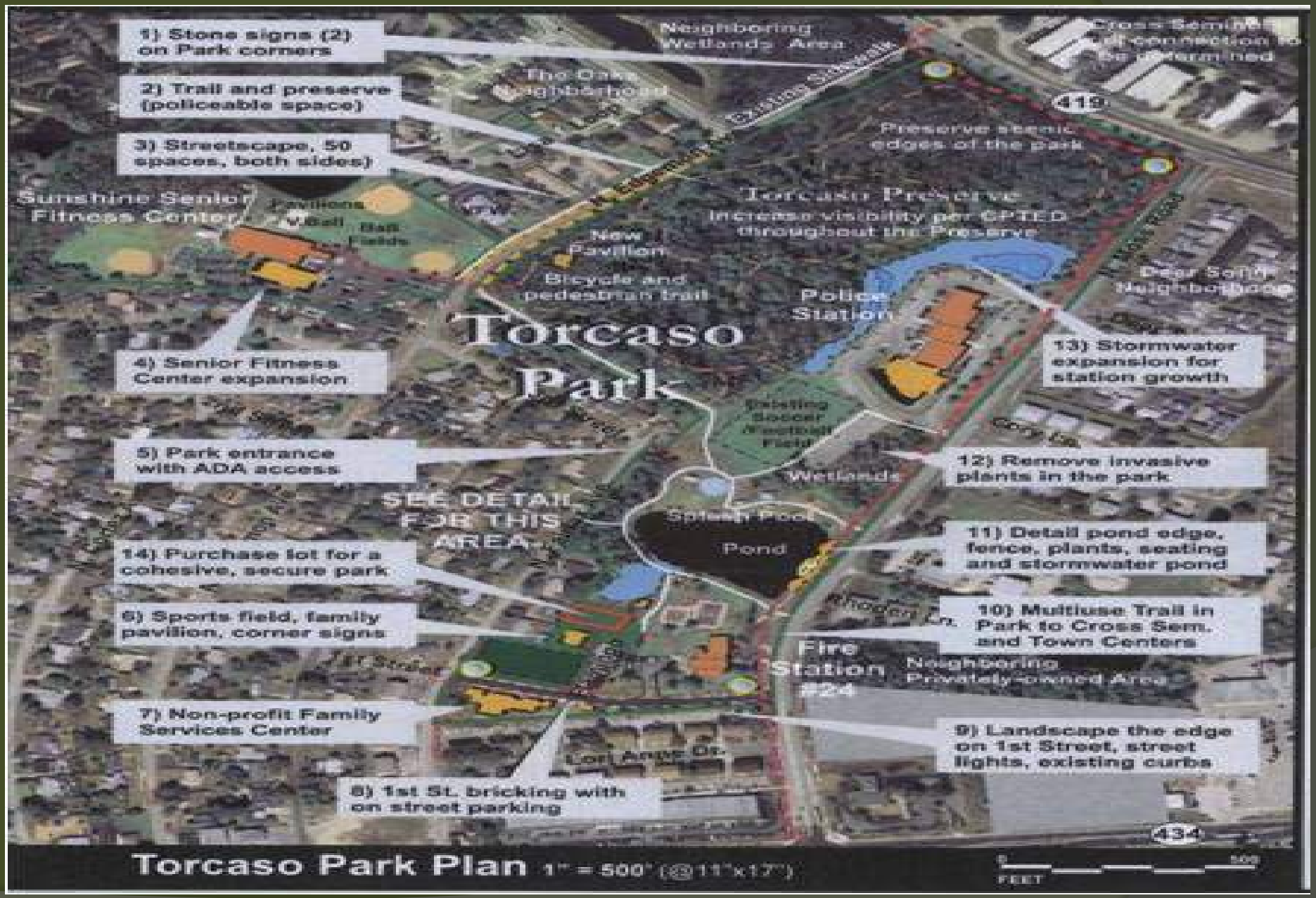
3) Provide a healthy mix of "active" and "passive" park areas for a variety of park users.

Completed (2004-2016)

- Dog Park
- Practice Fields and grass parking lot
- Passive area Paved Road
- Central Winds Parkway Phase 1
- Water Augmentation Facility

Future Plans

- Orange Ave Phase 2 and 3
- Recreation Center
- Park Pavilion
- Children’s Playground
- Parks Maintenance Facility
- Amphitheater
- Athletes Walk of Fame


1) Stone signs (2) on Park corners
2) Trail and preserve (policeable space)
3) Streetscape, 50 spaces, both sides)
4) Senior Fitness Center expansion
5) Park entrance with ADA access
6) Sports field, family pavilion, corner signs
7) Non-profit Family Services Center
8) 1st St. bricking with on street parking
9) Landscape the edge on 1st Street, street lights, existing curbs
10) Multiuse Trail in Park to Cross Sem. and Town Centers
11) Detail pond edge, fence, plants, seating and stormwater pond
12) Remove invasive plants in the park
13) Stormwater expansion for station growth
14) Purchase lot for a cohesive, secure park
Neighboring Wetlands Area
The Oak Neighborhood
Existing Sidewalk
Preserve scenic edges of the park
Sunshine Senior Fitness Center
Pavilions
Ball Fields
Torcaso Preserve
Increase visibility per CPTED throughout the Preserve
New Pavilion
Bicycle and pedestrian trail
Police Station
Near South Neighborhood
Torcaso Park
Existing Soccer Football Field
Wetlands
SEE DETAIL FOR THIS AREA
Splash Pad
Pond
Fire Station #24
Neighboring Privately-owned Area
Lori Anne Dr.
419
434
Torcaso Park Plan 1" = 500' (@11"x17")
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TORCASO PARK MASTER PLAN

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AND THE CITY POLICE STATION; AND FIRE STATION #24

1) Park ID - FL Fieldstone columns with signs.
2) Preserve - Rare habitat diversity in City with interpretation for visitors; policeable space; add Pavilion at location sited for tortoise protection.
3) Streetscape - Add approx. 50 on-street parallel parking spaces for fields, Preserve, VFW and Senior Fitness Center parking on N. Edgemon Avenue.
4) Senior Fitness Center Expansion - Convert the Civic Center to meet Senior population needs.
5) Park Entrance - Fairfax & 3rd St. - repair for pedestrian safety as a entrance per ADA.
6) Sports Field - For casual play with new family pavilions; corner Park signs; and modified parking.
7) Nonprofit Family Services Center - Add street trees, attractive sidewalks and street lighting.
8) 1st Street Parking - Brick with on-street parking per traditional Town Center detailing.
9) 1st Street Edge - Add new trees and fence per CPTED. Carry street trees around entire park.
10) Multiuse Trail - Connect the old Town Center with new bicycle and pedestrian trail looping the Park and connecting to the Cross Seminole Trail - FNST. All intersections to have safe ADA crosswalks.
11) Pond Edge Details - Add simple traditional waterfront detailing with safety fence, seating, plants, combined with Multiuse Trail for top notch affect. Add more stormwater attenuation for area.
12) Exotic Removal - Remove invasive exotic plants and lightly thin to enhance fire resistance.
13) Stormwater Pond - Modify small pond into attractive pond for greater capacity to allow the expansion of the Police Department in the future.
14) Lot Purchase - Solidify park boundary, security, usable greenspace; remove most of Flamingo.

New facilities
Existing bridge
New turf
New trail

Concept: supplement quality park elements, provide for the future expansion of community facilities; emphasize the economic stability with a new Family Services Center, safety and security; retain ecological area for the park; expand stormwater for treatment latest regulations.

Detail 1" = 200' (@11"x17")

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Location Map
Not to scale

Michael Planning Team

MAY 2009

Completed (2009-2016)

#4-Civic Center remodel
#5-Park entrance at Fairfax/3rd Street
#6-Sports Field
Moss Road Project

Future Plans

#1-Stone signs on two park corners
#2-Trail & Preserve w new pavilion
#3-Civic Center expansion
#6-Family pavilion & corner signs
#7-Non-profit family assistance center

Future Plans (Cont.)

#8-1st Street bricking
with on street parking
#9-Landscaping, lights
on 1st street
#10-Multi-use trail & connection to CST
#11-Pond improvements
#12-Remove invasive plants
#13-Stormwater expansion

THE END