Virginia Highlands Park Framework Plan (VHPFP)

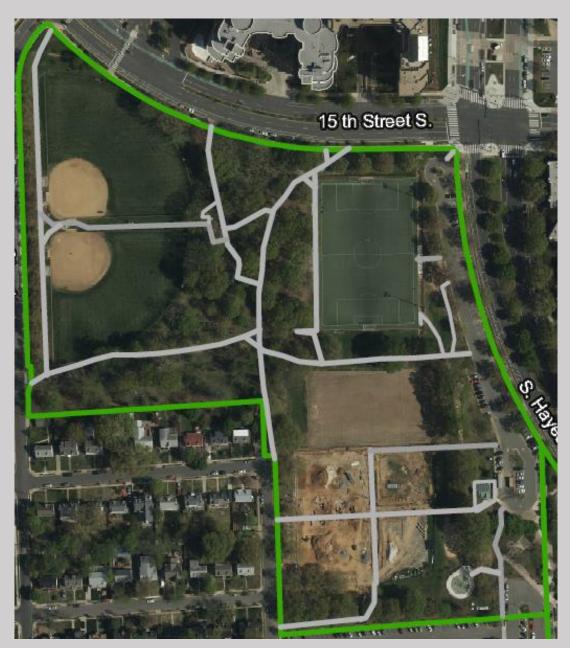
Process Overview

Aurora Highlands Civic Association (AHCA) Meeting April 12, 2017

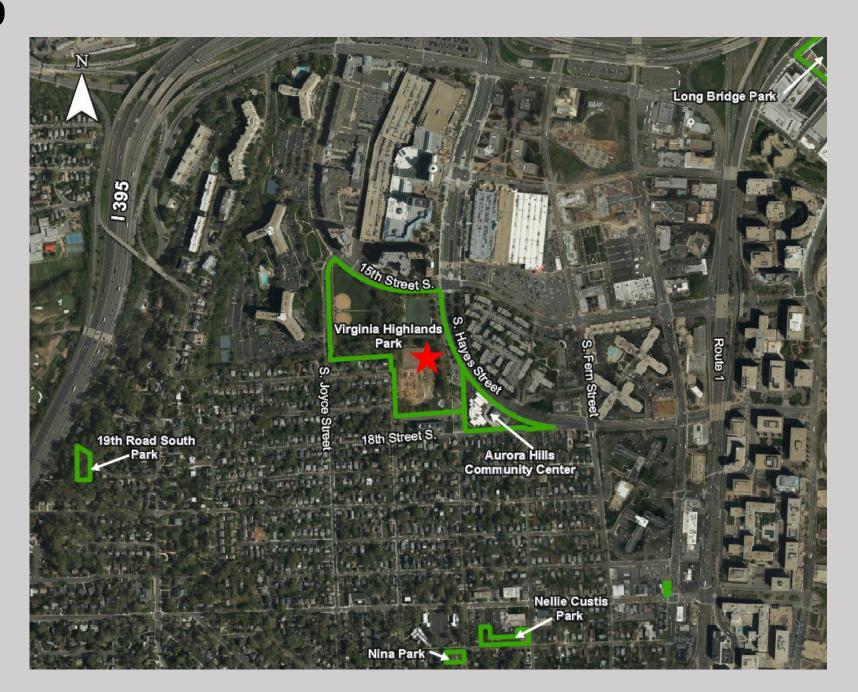


Virginia Highlands Park — Recent Aerial and Circulation Maps





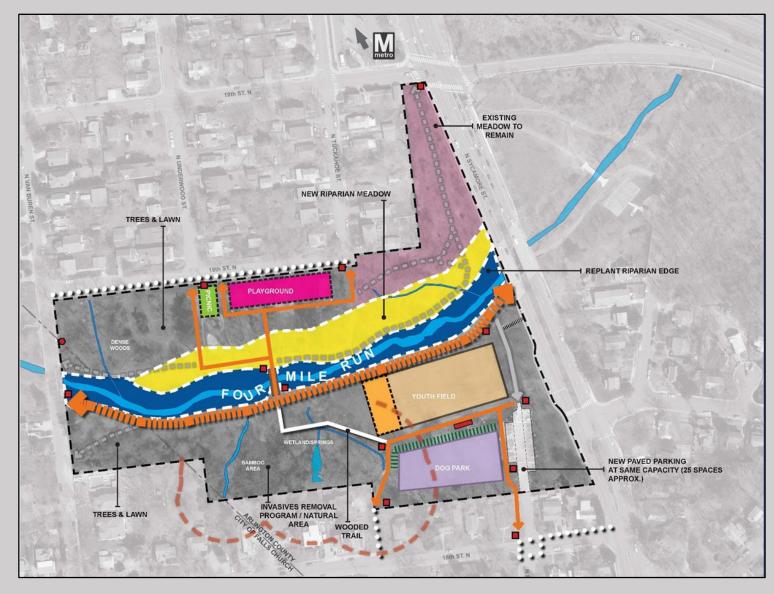
Locus Map



Background

- VHP Northwestern Side
 - Multiple Aging Park Facilities are Beyond their Useful Life
 - Effort to Address Need for Renovation
- VHP Eastern Side
 - Many New and Renovated Amenities
 - Also includes Aging Playground, Picnic Area and Volleyball Court
- Park-Wide Community Aspirations
- Community-Wide Conversation to Develop a Park-Wide Framework Plan

What is a Framework Plan?



- Vision for improvements to the park over time
- Ensures that improvements are done in a coordinated manner
- Outlines Priorities

Process Scope - Develop a Framework Plan with the Community

- Comprehensive look at the park
 - Existing park facilities, additional community needs, accessibility, circulation, safety and storm water improvements.
- Process will not address recently added or renovated amenities
 - Tennis and basketball courts, rectangular synthetic field, grass community field or spray ground
- Project will not address the Aurora Hills Library, Recreation Center and Senior Adult Center or Arlington County Fire Storage Facility

Community Process

IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation



Increasing Level of Public Impact

Public participation goal

Inform

To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives. opportunities and/or solutions.

Consult

To obtain public

and/or decisions.

feedback on

alternatives

analysis,

To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered

Involve

Collaborate Empower

To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.

To place final decision-making in the hands of the public.

 Facilitate Transparent and **Effective Engagement**

 Communicate the International Association for Public Participation 2 (IAP2) Level of **Engagement for each Discussion**

Community Process

Virginia Highlands Park Framework Plan – Public Engagement Timeline

TASK	LEVEL OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT	TIMEFRAME
April AHCA Meeting	Inform	2 nd Q 2017
Urban Forestry Commission Meeting	Inform	
Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting	Inform	
Sports Commission Meeting	Inform	
Community Kickoff Meeting	Inform/Consult	3 rd Q 2017
Walking Tour	Inform/Consult	
Community Visioning Charrette	Involve/Collaborate	
Online Engagement	Involve/Collaborate	
On – site Engagement One Weekend Day and One Evening	Involve/Collaborate	
Community Open House – 3 Alternatives	Involve/Collaborate	4 th Q 2017
Optional Online Engagement	Involve/Collaborate	
Community Open House – Final Framework Plan	Inform/Involve	1 st Q 2018
Manager Shares with County Board		

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Next Steps

 Research Existing Conditions/Develop Briefing Book and Post Online

Select Consultant Team

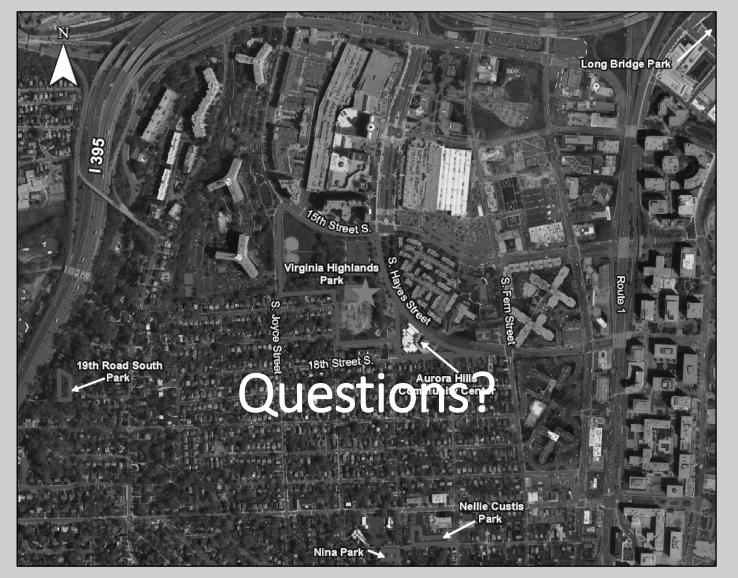
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Pre-Planning Community Engagement Questions

Who else should be involved?

How can we best reach your community?

How can we keep you informed throughout the process?





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