

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK CONCEPT PLAN

GULFPORT, FLORIDA

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #2 – SEPTEMBER 12, 2016



VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

OVERVIEW OF PRIMARY THEMES

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK – PRIMARY THEMES

- Walking / Jogging / Field Play
- Community Events / Performances
- Excess Parking for Downtown

FUNCTION

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK LIKES – PRIMARY THEMES

- Green Space / Water Views
- Covered Areas
- Location Relative to Downtown
- Neighborhood Oriented
- Potential for Events

LIKES

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK DISLIKES – PRIMARY THEMES

- Lack of Trash Collection / Disposal Options
- Dog Waste
- Obstructed Water Views

DISLIKES

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK IMPROVEMENT DESIRES – PRIMARY THEMES

- Develop more parking capacity with multiple purposes
- Enhance the Veteran's aspect, especially concerning the sundial monument
- Create wayfinding and signage that links with technology
- Improve the overall function of sidewalks
- Explore opportunity for another gazebo
- Keep the feel of the park open and remove dead trees
- Protect water views

IMPROVEMENT DESIRES

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CONCEPT ALTERNATIVES

Tangerine Greenway

Clymer Park

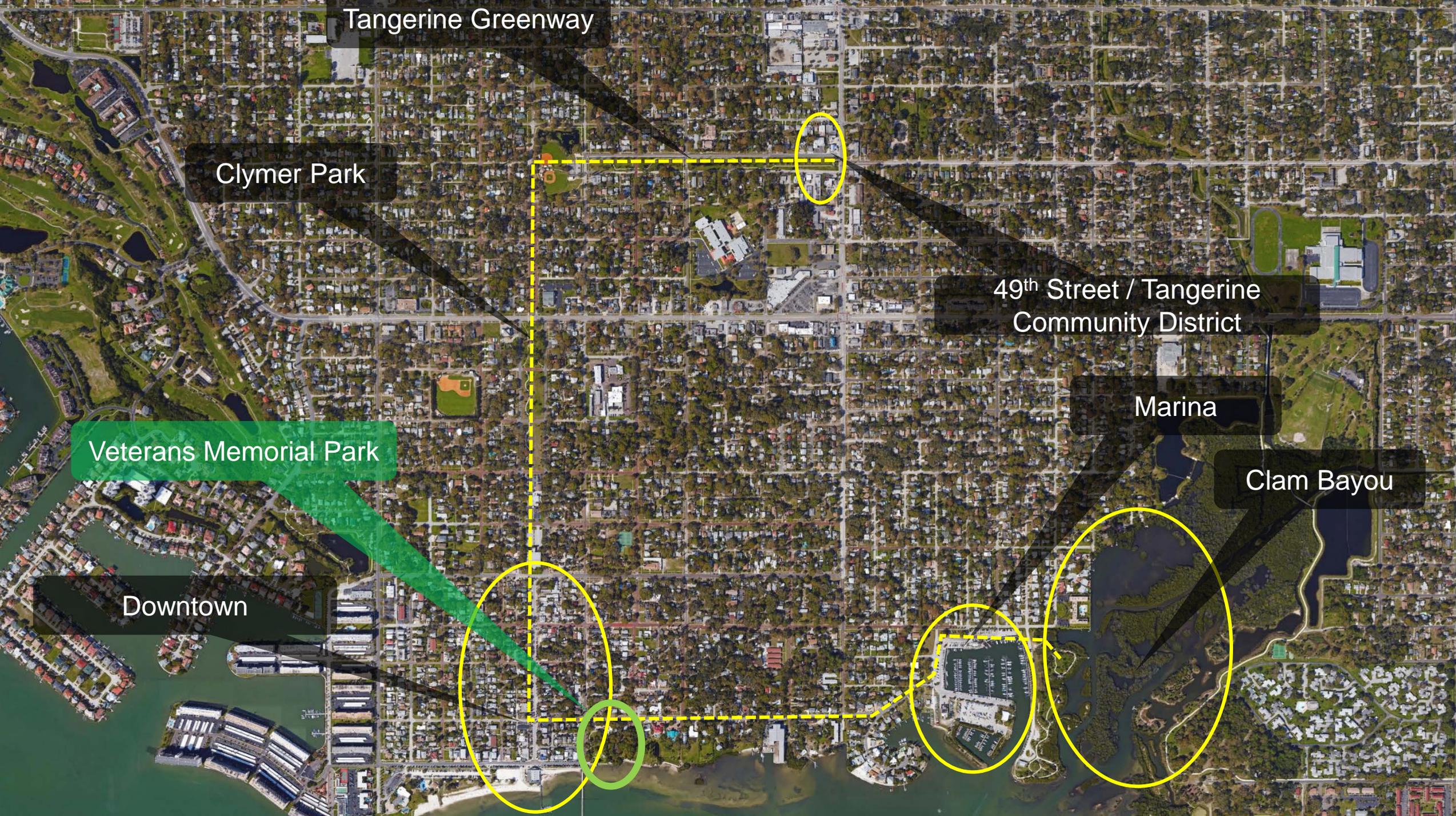
49th Street / Tangerine
Community District

Marina

Clam Bayou

Veterans Memorial Park

Downtown





CONCEPT A



Parking (13 spaces)

Park Signage

Trash Receptacle / Pet Waste Station

Stormwater Basin

Informational Kiosk

Sundial

Trash Receptacle / Pet Waste Station

New Pavilion / Gazebo

Interpretive Signage

Boardwalk



CONCEPT A



RAIN GARDENS

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What is a Rain Garden?
 A rain garden is a shallow basin planted with deep-rooted native wildflowers, grasses and shrubs that filter and absorb stormwater runoff and the pollutants it carries. Their extensive root systems filter stormwater runoff by removing nutrients, sediments and pollutants before it enters our groundwater and waterways.

Why Plant Natives?
 In addition to helping to prevent erosion and improving water quality, native plants provide essential food and habitat for local wildlife. Their seeds and nectar provide a valuable food source for birds, butterflies and other insects. Natives plants are those that were here prior to European settlement. They are well adapted to local conditions and require very little care once established.




Can you spot these plants?

			
Purple Coneflower	Joe-pye Weed	Black-eyed Susan	Blazing Star
			
Blue Lobelia	New England Aster	Goldenrod	Bergamot

Only Rain Down the Drain!



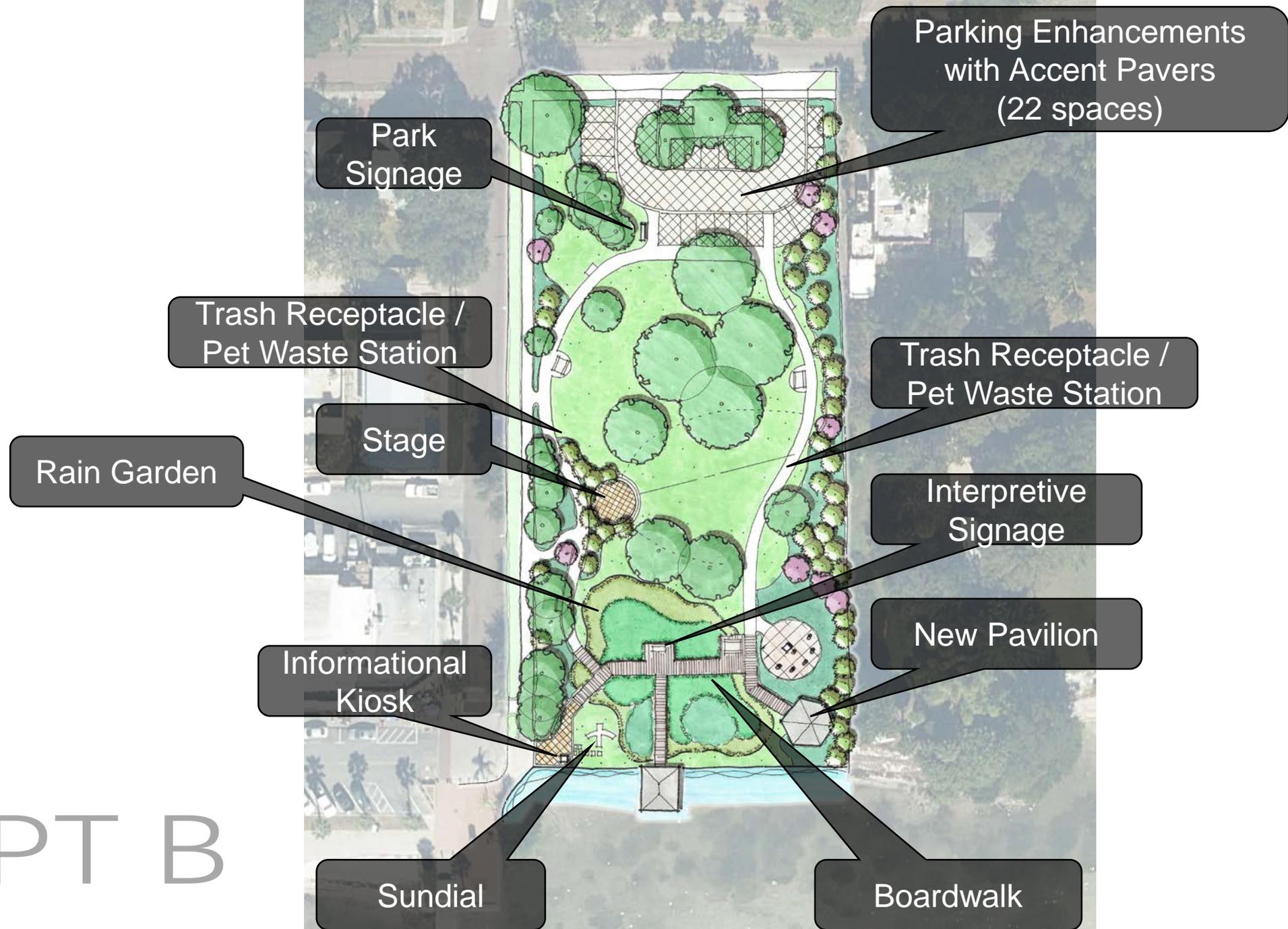
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CONCEPT B



CONCEPT B









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CONCEPT
ALTERNATIVES
DISCUSSION



CONCEPT A



CONCEPT B

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NEXT STEPS

- Plan Refinement
- Final Concept Plan
- Summary Document
- Seek Funding
- Implementation