



# LAUDERTRAC



## PARKS AND PUBLIC PLACES UPDATE

### Tracking Progress on Fort Lauderdale Commission Priorities for 2022

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## EXPANDING GREEN SPACE

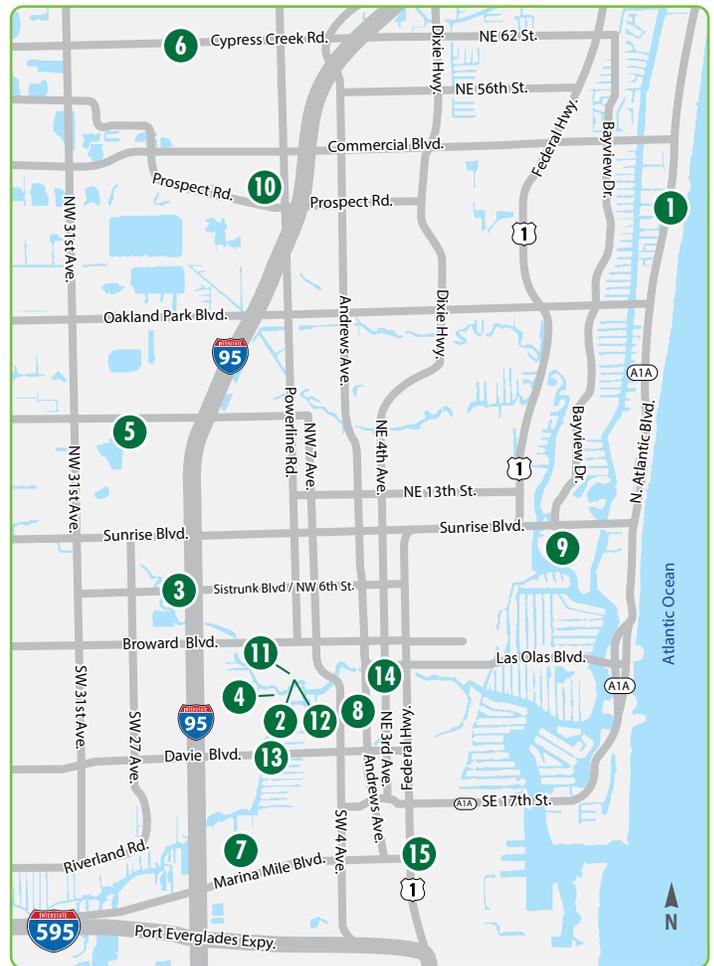
In 2019, the City committed to improving access to parks and open space through the adoption of the 2024 Strategic Plan. During the same year, Fort Lauderdale voters approved a \$200 million Parks Bond to expand and enhance park space and facilities; of that, approximately \$30 million is earmarked for park land acquisitions. As a result of this investment in the City's recreational amenities, several new parcels of land have been purchased increasing City park space by approximately 4.5 acres. These new parcels are strategically distributed throughout the City's four commission districts so that neighbors and visitors can enjoy the unique beauty of Fort Lauderdale. The properties acquired include:

- 1 District 1 – 4201 N. Ocean Boulevard
- 2 District 2 – 1016 Waverly Road
- 3 District 3 – NW 6th Street
- 4 District 4 – SW 5th Court and SW 12th Avenue

While green spaces contribute to a sense of place for neighbors and encourage healthy lifestyles, they also positively impact the sustainability of our community. Green spaces work to remove air toxins, provide for wildlife habitats, and reduce soil erosion and stormwater runoff.

Additionally, the City has rezoned six properties to a Parks, Recreation, and Open Space zoning district. Rezoning City properties that are used and maintained as public park space provides protection by creating a record of the land's intended use, limits the use of the property to those typically associated with public parks and open spaces, and limits the sale, transfer, or lease of the property for more than a year without a unanimous vote of the City Commission. The rezoned properties include:

- 5 Bass Park – 2750 NW 19th Street and 2770 NW 19th Street
- 6 Cypress Creek Sand Pine Preserve – 6200 NW 21st Avenue
- 7 Esterre Davis Wright Park – 1621 SW 24th Street
- 8 Florence Hardy Park – 25 SW 9th Street and 701 S. Andrews Avenue
- 9 Greenfield Park – 2401 NE 8th Street
- 10 Twin Lakes North Park – 4600 Twin Lakes Boulevard



Plans to rezone the following list of parks will be presented to the City Commission later this year and more will follow in spring of 2024.

- 11 Major William Lauderdale Park – 1022 W. Las Olas Boulevard
- 12 Waverly Park – 1016 Waverly Road
- 13 Mitchell Family Park – 1311 Citrus Isle
- 14 Riverwalk Linear Park – 20 N. New River Drive
- 15 Welcome Park – 2402 S. Federal Highway