

BRADENTON RIVERWALK EXPANSION MASTER PLAN



Center for Active Design Survey & Research



North-facing view of eastern end of Riverwalk Expansion

Bradenton Riverwalk East Expansion: Final Report

Final Report – March 2018
Prepared by the Center for Active Design (CFAD)



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5 Key Recommendations:



Enjoyment, Pride &
Community Identity



Diversity & Social
Interaction



Maintenance &
Volunteerism



Access to Nature

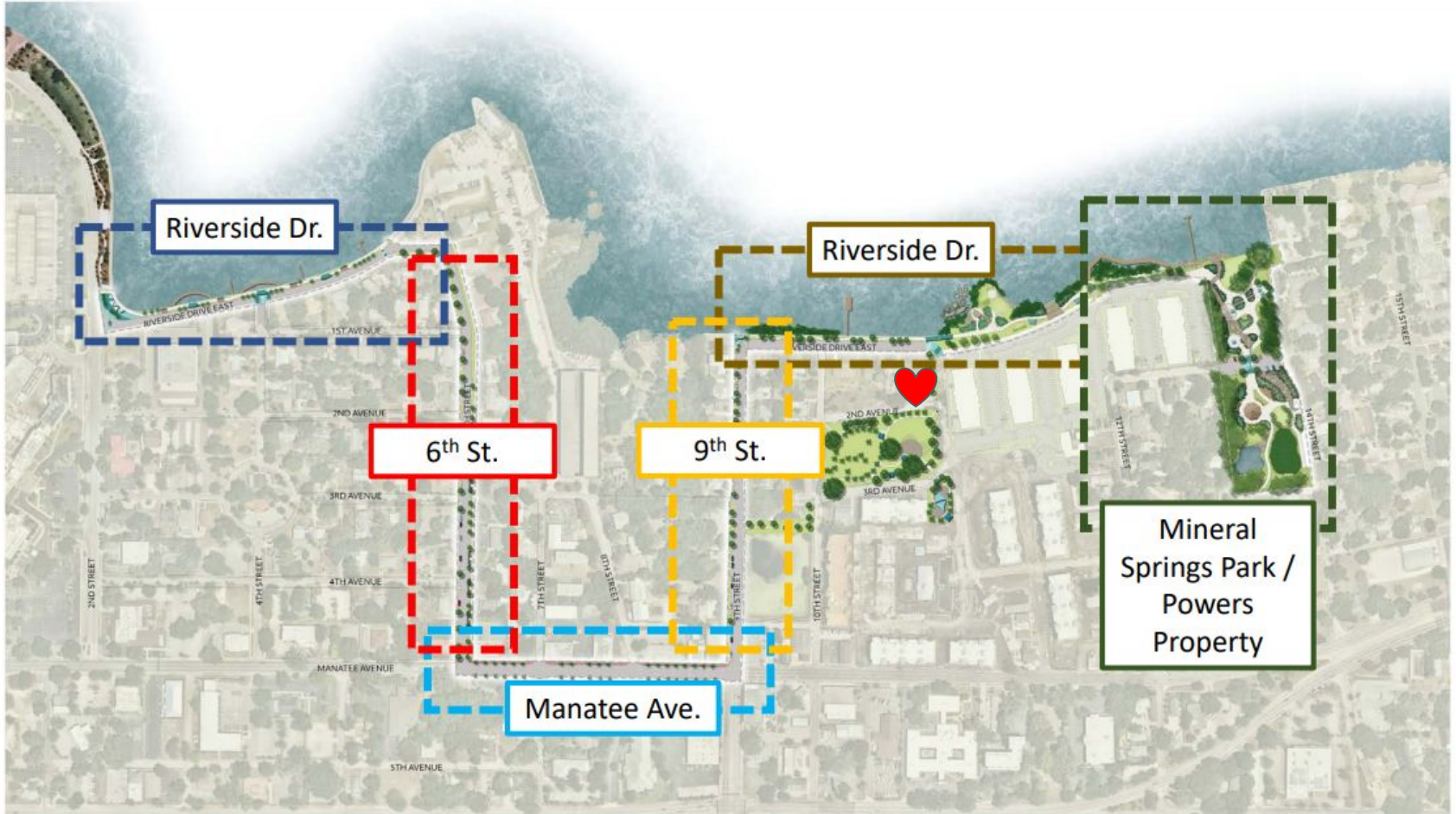


Navigation

CONTEXT



PROPOSED MASTER PLAN



RIVERSIDE DRIVE



OPTION A

- Maintain existing roadway width
- Maintain existing private docks. Gates added for controlled access
- Minimum 5' walking path
- Creation of natural shoreline for oyster restoration area
- Passive park with flex lawn, lookout tower, and inclusive play opportunities



OPTION B

- Reduce road width to 20'
- Add parallel parking and planting islands



6TH STREET

- Accent trees proposed under existing overhead power
- Sidewalk enhancements
- 36" high ornamental fence with gate & landscape enhancements on private property through City grant



Looking South - 6th St E at Riverside Dr E



OPTION A



OPTION B



MANATEE AVENUE



OPTION A



Existing Manatee Avenue - Looking East

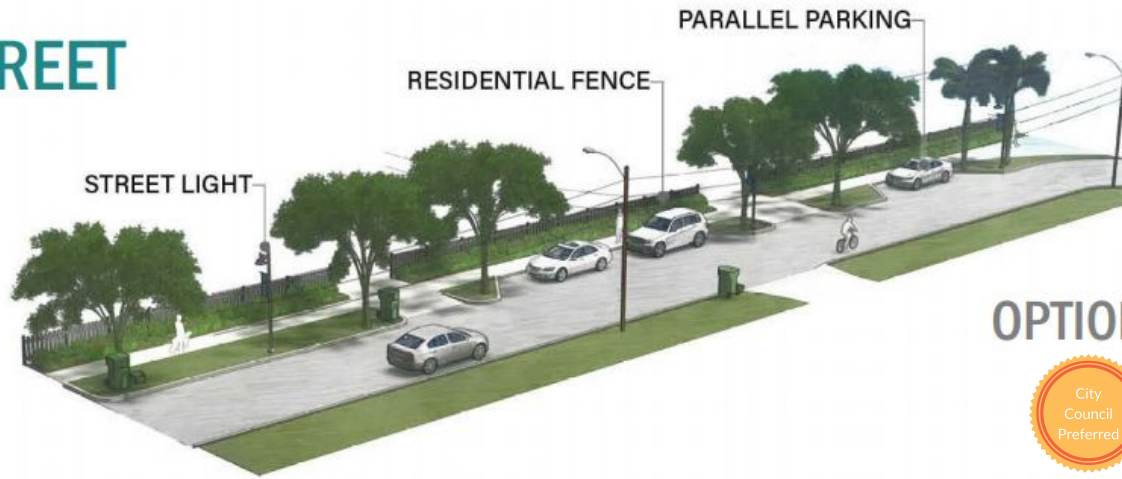


Proposed Manatee Avenue - Looking West

OPTION B



9TH STREET



OPTION A



- 5' Sidewalk, west sides
- 9' parallel parking
- Decorative street light with banners
- Seating area



OPTION B

- 8' Sidewalk on west side
- Decorative street light with banners
- Seating area



MINERAL SPRINGS PARK & POWERS PROPERTY



OPTION A



OPTION B

SOUTH FACING AERIAL



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OPTION A



OPTION B



NORTH FACING AERIAL

MINERAL SPRINGS PARK & POWERS PROPERTY



OPTION B

- Public art focusing on history & environment
- Passive park with shelters and small gathering spaces
- Open flex lawn along riverfront
- Boardwalk with sitting nodes connect to riverside drive
- Creation of natural shoreline
- Existing pier to be renovated for public use
- Existing trees to be saved
- Added parking
- Creation of “creek bed” to symbolize path of historic spring / creek, or for daylighting of spring

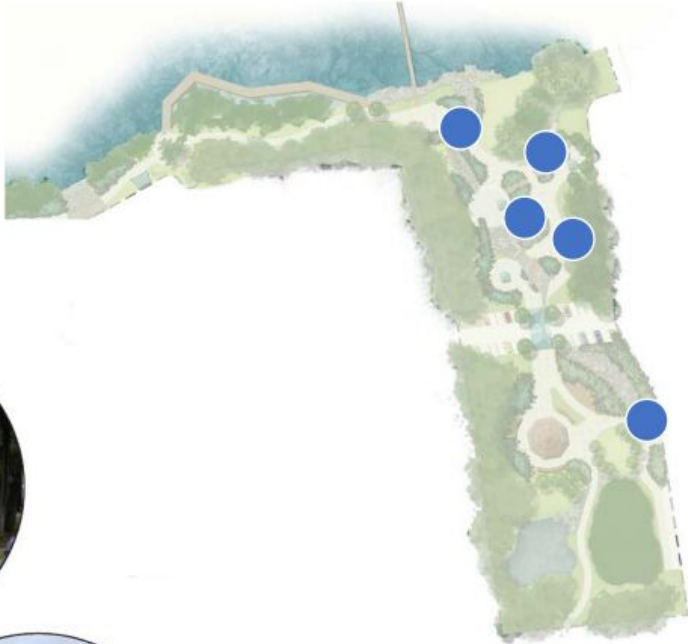
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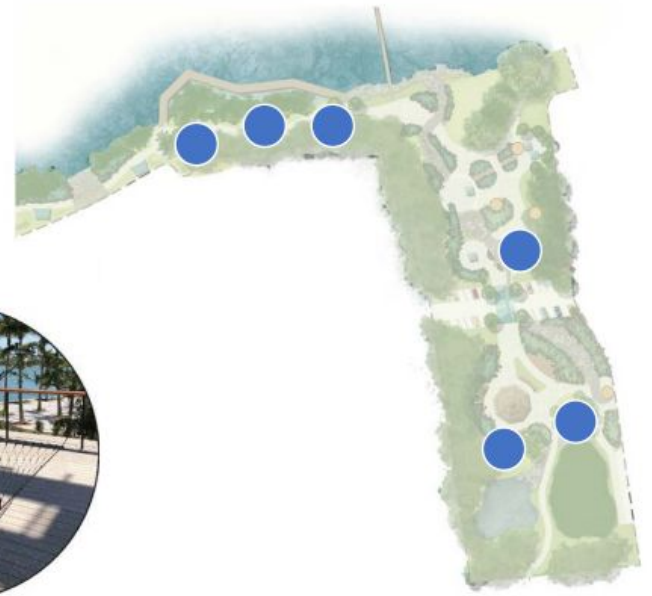
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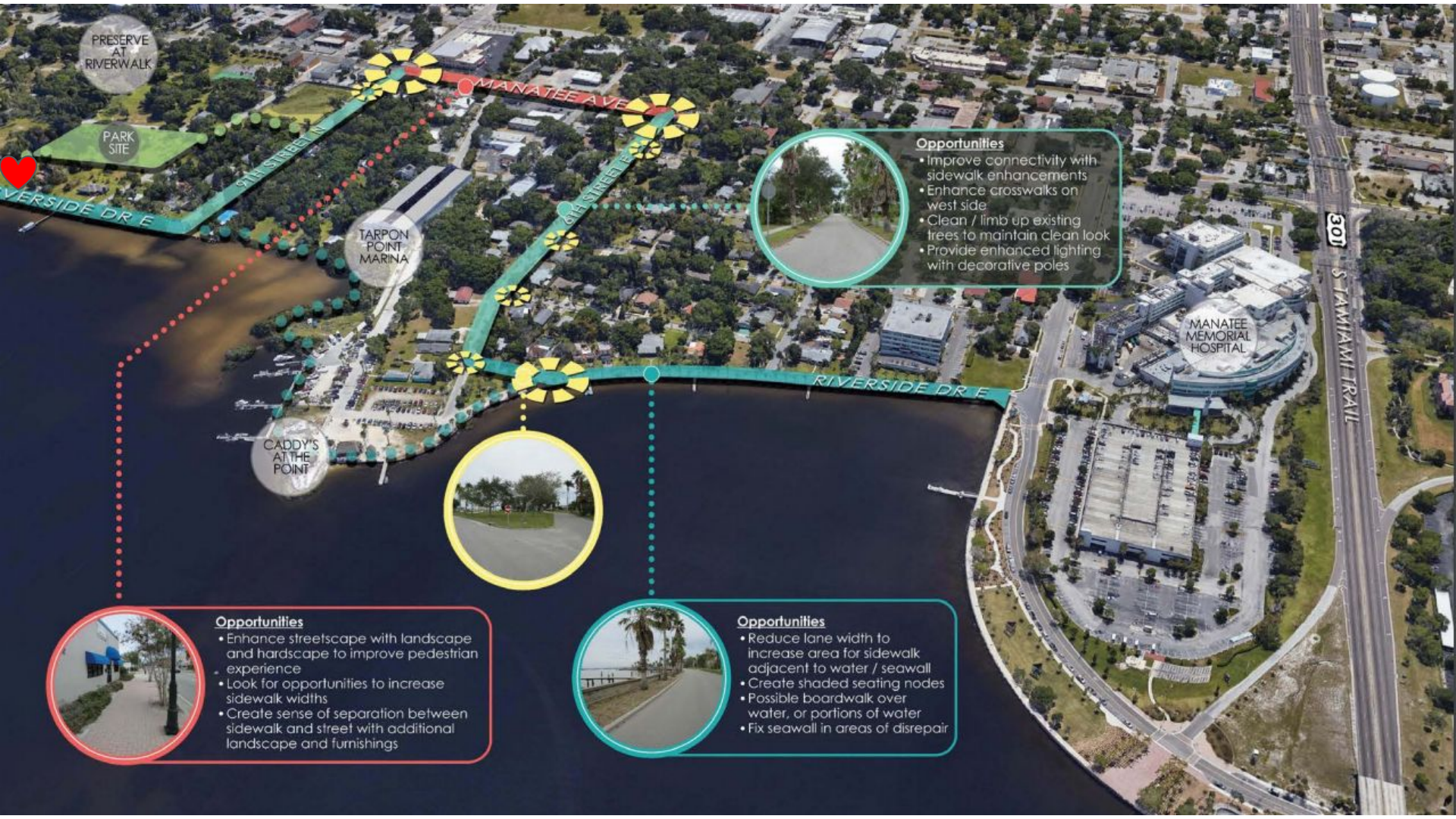
Content Options

- Branch Fort
- Grist / Saw Mill
- Angola
- Spring
- Nature
- Settlement Patterns



ACTIVITY NODES





PRESERVE AT RIVERWALK

PARK SITE

5TH STREET N

MANATEE AVE

6TH STREET E

TARPON POINT MARINA

CADDY'S AT THE POINT

RIVERSIDE DR E

MANATEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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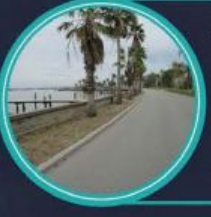
Opportunities

- Enhance streetscape with landscape and hardscape to improve pedestrian experience
- Look for opportunities to increase sidewalk widths
- Create sense of separation between sidewalk and street with additional landscape and furnishings



Opportunities

- Improve connectivity with sidewalk enhancements
- Enhance crosswalks on west side
- Clean / limb up existing trees to maintain clean look
- Provide enhanced lighting with decorative poles



Opportunities

- Reduce lane width to increase area for sidewalk adjacent to water / seawall
- Create shaded seating nodes
- Possible boardwalk over water, or portions of water
- Fix seawall in areas of disrepair

Opportunities

- Enhance streetscape intersection to create gateway to Riverwalk
- Enhance views from Manatee Avenue to Riverwalk



Opportunities

- Create natural themed playground
- Incorporate existing trees and shade into design
- Provide open / flex lawn areas for play and recreation



Opportunities

- Create history and educational themed amenities
- Daylight existing spring
- Celebrate history of Manatee settlement



MINERAL SPRINGS PARK

PARK SITE

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RIVERSIDE DR E

9TH STREET E

MANATEE AVE

7TH STREET E

TARPON POINT MARINA

CADDY'S AT THE POINT

Opportunities

- Shaded overlook
- Educational / interpretive signage
- Passive activity node



Opportunities

- Lane width reduction to increase waterfront space for sidewalk
- Shaded seating nodes
- Additional landscape and hardscape improvements



Opportunities

- Waterfront park site
- Create passive recreation opportunities
- Capitalize on existing tree canopy



Opportunities

- Create waterfront amenity
- Capitalize on panoramic views of riverfront
- Remove existing structural remains

