BRADENTON RIVERWALK EXPANSION MASTER PLAN
INTRODUCTION & AGENDA

- Process Update
- Community Engagement Summary
- Center for Active Design (CfAD) Recommendations
- Context and Existing Conditions
- Master Plan Alternatives
- Questions
PROCESS

Public/Stakeholder Input → Online Survey and Research → Master Plan Concept Development → Master Plan Feedback → Finalize Master Plan

We are Here!
COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Farmer’s Market
- January 20, 2018

Community Conversations
- January 25, 2018, Manatee UMC
- January 30, 2018, Manatee UMC
- February 1, 2018, Manatee UMC
- Feb. 6, 2018, Preserve at Riverwalk
- Feb. 8, 2018, Spanish Engagement Workshop, Manatee UMC

CfAD Research and Survey Results
- March 22, 2018, Manatee UMC

CfAD Online Survey
- 6 weeks, Early 2018
- Over 880 Responses

‘Park for a Day’ Community Gathering at Mineral Springs Park and Powers Property
- April 14, 2018
PARK FOR A DAY HIGHLIGHTS
Center for Active Design Survey & Research

5 Key Recommendations:

- Enjoyment, Pride & Community Identity
- Diversity & Social Interaction
- Maintenance & Volunteerism
- Access to Nature
- Navigation
RIVERSIDE DRIVE E. (from RIVERFRONT BLVD TO 6th St. E.)

OPPORTUNITIES
1. Adjacency to water
2. Nearby parking and proximity to current Riverwalk
3. Connectivity between existing Riverwalk and Caddy’s, marina

CONSTRAINTS
1. Right-of-way constraints
2. Maintaining vehicular access
3. Existing vegetation
4. Existing infrastructure (drainage, utilities)
6th STREET & MANATEE AVENUE

OPPORTUNITIES
1. 50’ right-of-way
2. Connection to retail along Manatee avenue
3. Access to existing public transit
4. Views from 9th St E to water
5. Existing sidewalk along north side of Manatee avenue

CONSTRAINTS
1. Existing overhead powerlines
2. One-way traffic flow and speed along Manatee avenue
3. Driveway connections
4. Municipal services (trash pick-up, mail)
MANATEE AVENUE & 9TH STREET

Looking East - Intersection of Manatee Avenue and 9th St E

Existing Shops on Manatee Avenue

Corner of Manatee Avenue and 9th St E – Looking North

The Preserve at Riverwalk, East of 9th St E

Existing Sidewalk on 9th St E

Looking North to Manatee River on 9th St E
RIVERSIDE DRIVE E. (from 9th ST. E. TO 14th ST. E.)

OPPORTUNITIES
1. Adjacency to water
2. Available green space between current street and seawall
3. Overlook opportunity
4. Connection to adjacent park space on east end
5. Expansion of Mineral Springs Park to waterfront – creates approx. 3.5 acres of park

CONSTRAINTS
1. Seawall
2. No existing pedestrian connection
3. Mangroves
4. Public utility storage area at 12th and Riverside drive
5. 2nd avenue bifurcating park two park sites
MINERAL SPRINGS PARK & POWERS PROPERTY

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6. Waterfront easement between 11th and 12th St

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PROPOSED MASTER PLAN

- Riverside Dr.
- 6th St.
- 9th St.
- Manatee Ave.
- Mineral Springs Park / Powers Property
RIVERSIDE DRIVE

- Shift curbs south to meet existing southern sidewalk edge
- Street narrowed to 20' width
- Creates room for 10' sidewalk and planting along River’s edge, 15’ overall width
- Maintain existing private docks. Gates added for controlled access
- Seawall at western side modified to provide shaded game area
- Improved crosswalks
- Boardwalks to bring pedestrians out over water
RIVERSIDE DRIVE

OPTION B
- Maintain existing roadway dimensions
- 5’ - 6’ Sidewalk along River’s edge
- Add chicanes (Curb Extensions)
  - Slow down traffic
  - Create landscape area

OPTION C
- 8’ - 10’ Sidewalk along River’s edge
- Roadway width minimized to 20’
- Trees planted in grates to create more pedestrian area
RIVERSIDE DRIVE

GATEWAY PLAZA

OPTION A
RIVERSIDE DRIVE

OPTION B

OPTION C
DESIGN IMAGERY – RIVERSIDE DR.
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
6TH STREET

OPTION A

- 5’ sidewalk, both sides
- 9’ parallel parking
- Decorative street light with banners
- Seating area

OPTION B

- 8’ sidewalk on west side
- 5’ sidewalk on east side
- Decorative street light with banners
- Seating area
DESIGN IMAGERY – 6th & 9th STREETS
MANATEE AVENUE

OPTION A
- Maintain existing brick pavers
- Create continuous planting bed
- Create seating nodes
- Proposed palms in landscape beds on north & tree wells on south side
- Relocate FPL lights to edge of sidewalk to minimize obstructions in the pedestrian path

OPTION B
- Maintain existing brick pavers
- Create periodic planting beds
- Seating nodes with enhanced hardscape
- Proposed palms in existing tree wells on north & south side
- Relocate FPL lights to edge of sidewalk to minimize obstructions in the pedestrian path
MANATEE AVENUE

OPTION A

Existing Manatee Avenue - Looking East

OPTION B

Proposed Manatee Avenue - Looking West
DESIGN IMAGERY – MANATEE AVE.
9TH STREET

- Accent trees proposed under existing overhead power
- Reducing width of road to 20’ to allow for construction of continuous sidewalk and landscape verge
- 36” high ornamental fence with gate & landscape enhancements on private property through City grant

Looking North to Manatee River on 9th St E

OPTION A

OPTION B
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
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
RIVERSIDE DRIVE

Shaded Overlook at 9th St and Riverside Dr

Lookout Peninsula
DESIGN IMAGERY – RIVERSIDE DR. & PENINSULA
MINERAL SPRINGS PARK & POWERS PROPERTY

OPTION A

- Public art / signage 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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OPTION B
MINERAL SPRINGS PARK & POWERS PROPERTY

OPTION A

OPTION B

NORTH FACING AERIAL
PUBLIC ART / INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE

Content Options
- Branch Fort
- Grist / Saw Mill
- Angola
- Spring
- Nature
- Settlement Patterns
ACTIVITY NODES
QUESTIONS ?
Opportunities
- Enhance streetscape interaction 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

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