



STATION 1: WELCOME DESK, SIGN-IN AND ORIENTATION PACKET

Welcome to the City of Gainesville's Duval Park Open House!

The purpose of the Open House is to get your feedback about proposed improvements for Duval Park. We've organized the Open House into the following four "Stations":

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| Station 1: | Welcome/Sign-in Sheet, Where do you live map, ages of children at home |
| Station 2: | Preliminary Concept Plan |
| Station 3: | Recreation Equipment Preferences |
| Station 4: | Open Comments |

Please feel free to visit the stations in any order that you wish. Write your ideas or comments on the Post-it notes provided at each station, and/or on the flip chart at Station 4.

Thank you very much for participating in the Open House, and helping to make Gainesville a great place to live, work and play!

STATION 2: PRELIMINARY CONCEPT PLAN

The Preliminary Concept Plan illustrates the proposed improvement layout.

If you have any comments or suggestions, please write them on the Post-it notes provided, and place where appropriate on the concept plan.

STATION 3: RECREATION EQUIPMENT PREFERENCES

The following are ideas for proposed improvements:

1. Option A – Modern Playground – Rope Climber, Supernova and Group Swing
2. Option B – Sound Garden – Casta Bells, Tongue Drum, Metallophone and Chimes
3. Option C – Outdoor Gym - Adult Fitness Equipment
4. Option D – Pickleball Court and Game Tables

Please place a dot (3 dots total) by your preferred equipment. You can also write in suggestions at Station #4.

PLANNING PROCESS

Next Steps - Following the Open House, we will review participants' comments regarding the Preliminary Concept Plan, after which we will refine the plan for review by, and ultimately approval of, the City Commission. The budget for this project is \$165,000.

After City Commission approval we estimate that the project will take 6 months to complete with construction being completed in late 2023. Please provide us with your email address on the sign-in sheet so we can keep you updated on the project's progress!

Duval Park Background Information:

Duval Park is a 26-acre nature park located three blocks south of NE 8th Avenue between NE 24th Street and NE 20th Street. The park provides nature-based recreation and contains a scenic 2-acre stormwater pond. Duval Park is home to many species of birds as well as other wildlife. It is not uncommon to see deer in the park.

The Duval Park concept was first identified in the Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency's 2001 East Gainesville Redevelopment Plan. The proposed purpose of the park was to help alleviate neighborhood flooding problems and to provide water quality treatment for the Booker T. Washington subdivision improvements. The pond, constructed in 2010, helps improve the water quality of Lake Forest Creek and Newnan's Lake, and provides a scenic amenity for the neighborhood.

In 2003, Florida Communities Trust, a State of Florida grant program, awarded the City of Gainesville a land acquisition grant to purchase the Duval Neighborhood Regional Stormwater Park (Duval Park). Neighborhood support contributed to the successful acquisition of the property. The grant requires the City to provide certain recreational resources, and maintain most of the park in a forested condition. Therefore, the placement and construction of any recreational improvements must be consistent with the preservation of the park's forest habitat.

Map of Duval Park:



Thank you again for participating in the Duval Park Open House! For additional information contact Peter McNiece at 352-393-8544 or email mcniecepr@gainesvillefl.gov

Option A



Option B



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Option C



Option D



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Where do you live?

