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MEMO

TO: Councilman Gillis McCloskey
FROM: Eric Tolle, Recovery Planner - Department of Community Development
DATE: September 16, 2016
RE: **St. Bernard Parish Zone 2 Park Site Selection**

Overview

The St. Bernard Housing Redevelopment and Quality of Life Commission (HRQLC) have tasked St. Bernard Parish Government to seek potential locations for a new park in Recreational Zone 2. The St. Bernard Parish Council is currently exploring the possibility of restructuring the Recreation Department and of the designated zones, Zone 2 lacks a suitable park. Due to this inadequacy, Councilmember McCloskey has formally requested the Department of Community Development to research possible site locations.

Recreation Zone 2 encompasses all land fronting onto the eastern side of Paris Road to Jacob Drive in the Chalmette/Meraux area of St. Bernard Parish. Val Riess Park is an existing major recreational and all-purpose facility located in Zone 2 constructed post Hurricane Katrina. This park would be considered primarily a baseball facility with multiple diamonds along with a winding dual-intended outdoor track for joggers and bike riders. A large and versatile multi-purpose building is also located at the site.

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Site Selections

Two (2) potential sites have been chosen by the Department of Community Development. Both of the potential sites are located in what essentially would be considered park "deserts", having no other public recreational facilities in the immediate vicinity. As shown below in Figure #1, the first potential site is located on the riverside of E St. Bernard Highway and east of Chalmette Refining. This site comes with acquisition challenges as it is owned by multiple private individuals.



Figure #1: 1st Potential Zone 2 Park Site Location

Source: Google Maps

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The second proposed site in Zone 2 is located north of E Judge Perez Drive, near Lacoste Elementary and adjacent to Valero Refining as shown below in Figure #2.



Figure #2: 2nd Potential Zone 2 Park Site Location

Source: Google Maps

Unlike the first site location, this site is owned by a cooperative corporate entity making acquisition much easier.

According to the 2014 St. Bernard Parish Comprehensive Plan, this Zone 2 park site location is approximately within Lacoste Elementary's $\frac{1}{4}$ mile walkability halo as shown in Figure #3 on the right.

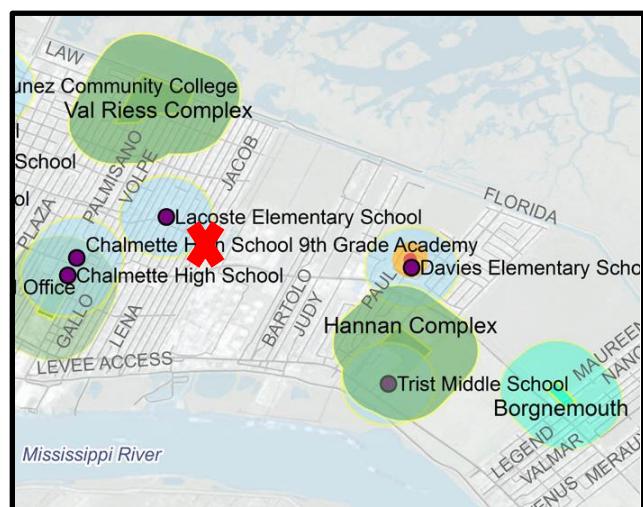


Figure #3: Lacoste Elementary School walkability halo

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Source: 2014 St. Bernard Parish Comprehensive Plan

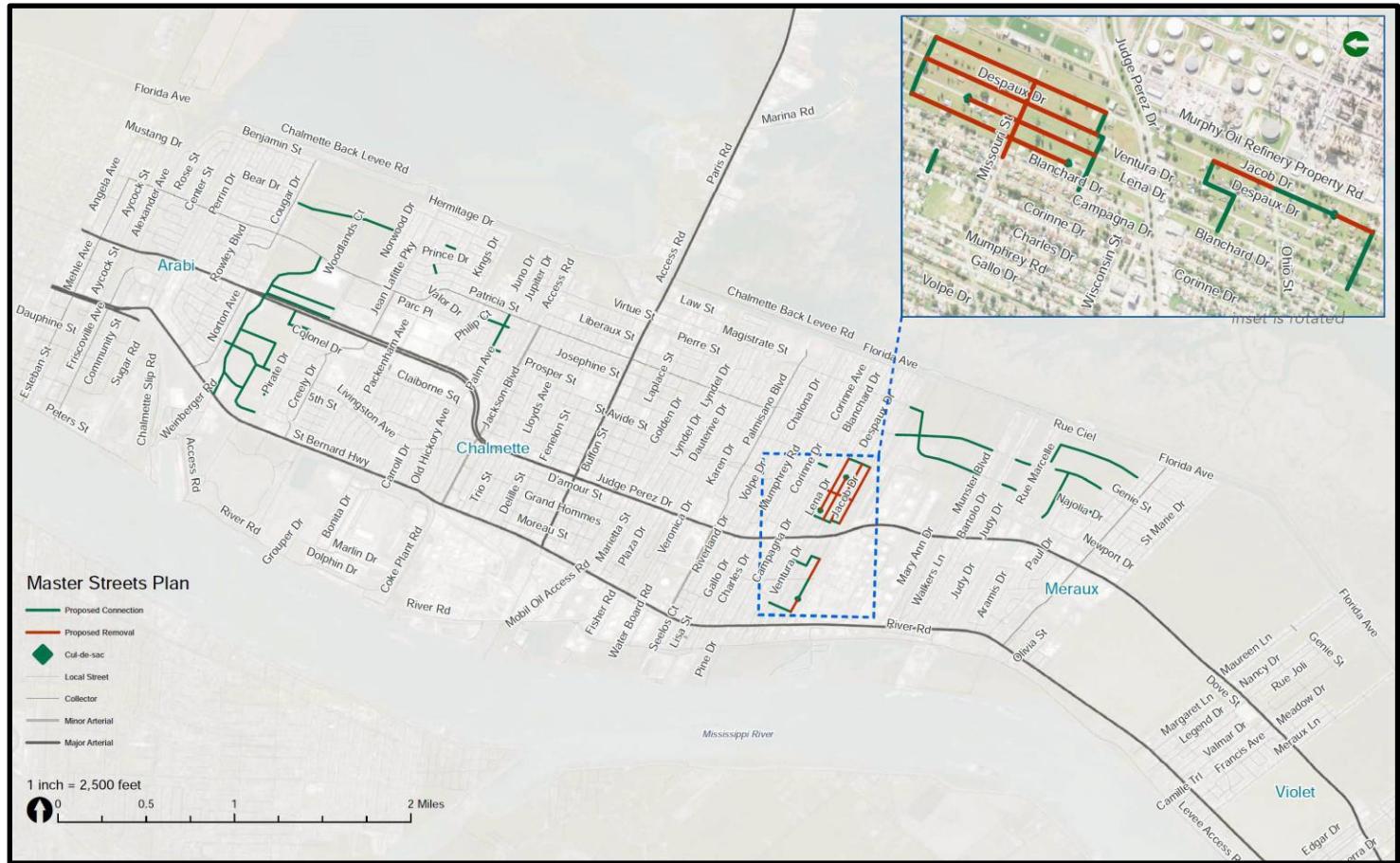


Figure #4: Master Streets Plan

Source: 2014 St. Bernard Parish Comprehensive Plan

In addition, The Comprehensive Plan specifically calls out this potential site location for proposed street removal; Figure #4 above illustrates that Comprehensive Plan element. Therefore, in addition to satisfying the request from HRQLC, an explicit element of the Comprehensive Plan would be met.

Jacob Park Layout Diagram

