Welcome

to the

Drew Park

Community Redevelopment Area

Streetscape and Beautification Master Plan Workshop #2

Hillsborough County Community College Student Services Building – Rooms 108-112 June 28, 2011





Meeting Objective...

- Inform you of our progress
- Present the proposed design concept
 - Ask for your feedback



Related Projects Update

- Lois Avenue resurfacing
- Construction projects currently IN PROGRESS
 - MLK Boulevard lane widening Dale Mabry to Lois Ave.
 - MLK and Lois Intersection Improvements
 - CRA Stormwater Improvements Plan
 - Grady Avenue Improvements
 - Lois Avenue Improvements



Goals of the Streetscape Master Plan

 Improve the character and quality of the public areas throughout Drew Park

Tell the unique story of Drew Park's history and diversity

Begin to establish a new positive image of the Drew Park
 Community Redevelopment Area



No Identity – Where is Drew Park?





Streets encourage overuse of Right of Way





Sidewalks unprotected, damaged, narrow







- New Storm Piping on Lois and Grady
- Open ditches and swales to remain







Overhead Utilities throughout

- Limit Tree Planting Opportunities
- Increase Tree Maintenance and Storm Damage







Future Growth Expectations

- Hillsborough Community College
 - HCC Master Plan proposes growth along Tampa Bay Bvd. and Lois Ave.
- Airport

2025 Master Plan indicates additional cargo support along Cargo Road

Commercial & Light Industrial Business

- Expect growth in the future
- **Residential Development**



Looking to the Future





Project Objectives

- 1. Layout a Long Range Plan Master Plan
- 2. Identify Improvements that can be accomplished quickly and inexpensively.
- 3. Make improvements part of planned projects
 - 1. N. Lois Ave
 - 2. N. Grady Ave
- 4. Set standards for continued implementation as funds become available



Master Plan - Elements

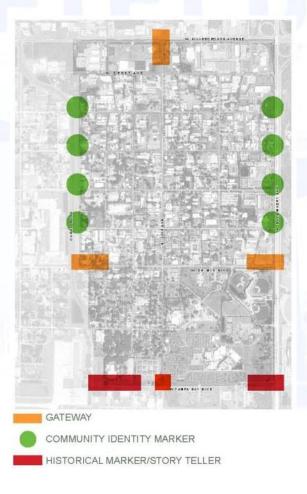
- 1. Establish and communicate a identity for Drew Park through Gateways and perimeter signage
- 2. Create Historical Markers to tell of Drew Park's past
- 3. Create a connected system of walks and trails
- 4. Develop a design solution for the drainage swales that converts existing ditches into maintainable bio-swales
- 5. Develop passive park areas along the Linear Park and an active Play Park within the residential neighborhood
- 6. Introduce Artwork throughout the community
- 7. Add coordinated Lighting and Site Furnishings as part of project improvements





1. Establish and Communicate a new identity for Drew Park through Gateways and Perimeter Signage

- Gateway Feature Locations
 - Lois & Hillsborough Avenue
 - MLK and Dale Mabry
- Perimeter Signage Locations
 - Non Signalized Intersections along Dale Mabry and Cargo Road
- Work with Local Businesses
- Incorporate Art in Public Places
 Program





Reflect Local Community

- Business
- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Services
- Industry





















Reflect Local Community

- Residential Neighborhoods
- Families
- Children
- Churches













Community Character

- Economically successful
- Creative
- Safe
- Environmentally responsible
- **Attractive**
- Industrial









Material Images

- Concrete
- Steel
- Glass
- Industrial Materials
- Automotive Industry









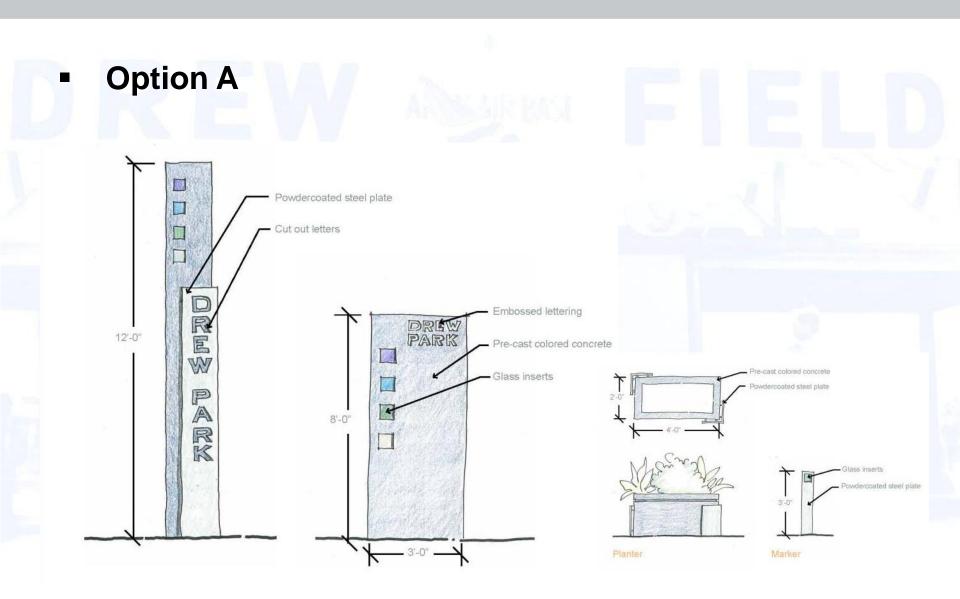




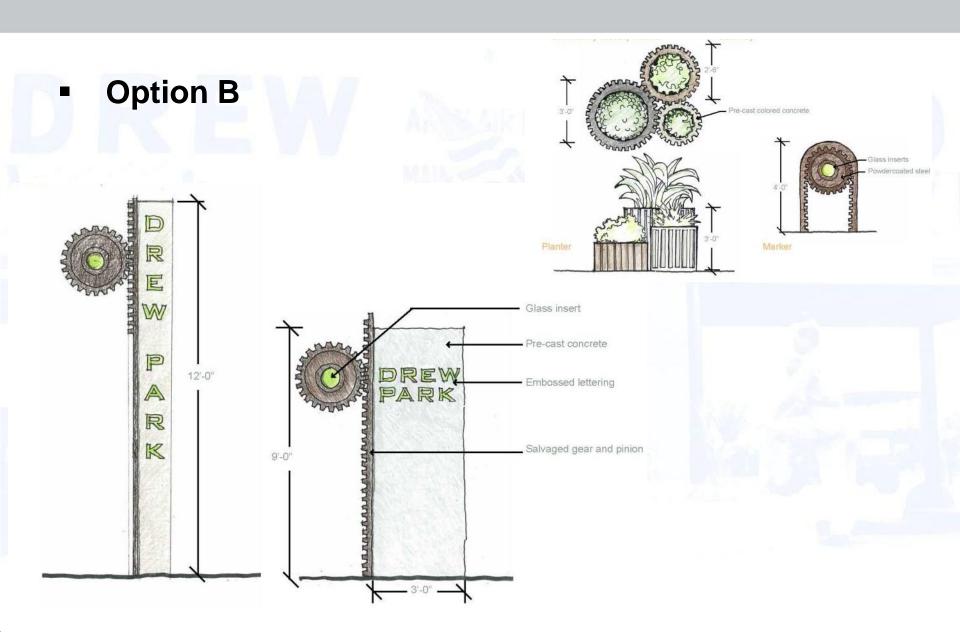








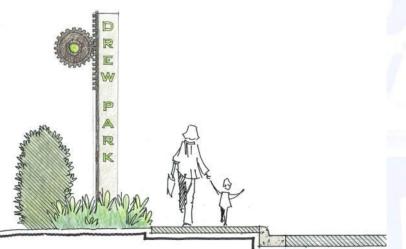


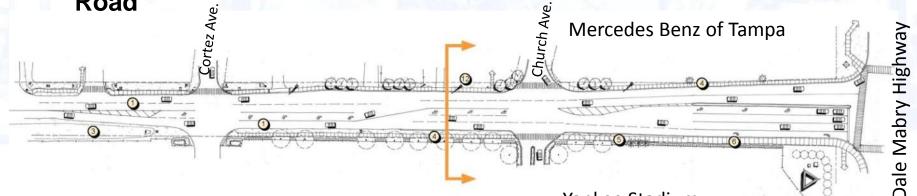




MLK at Dale Mabry Gateway

- Very restricted RW for a feature
- Gateway begins at Church and extends to Cortez
 - Only located on North Side of Road ين



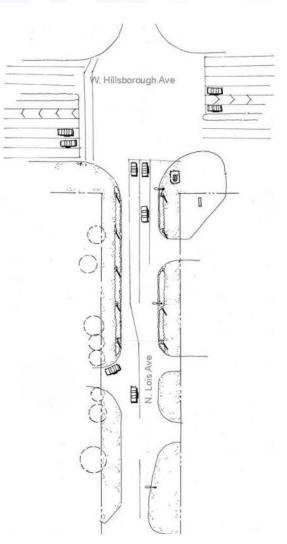


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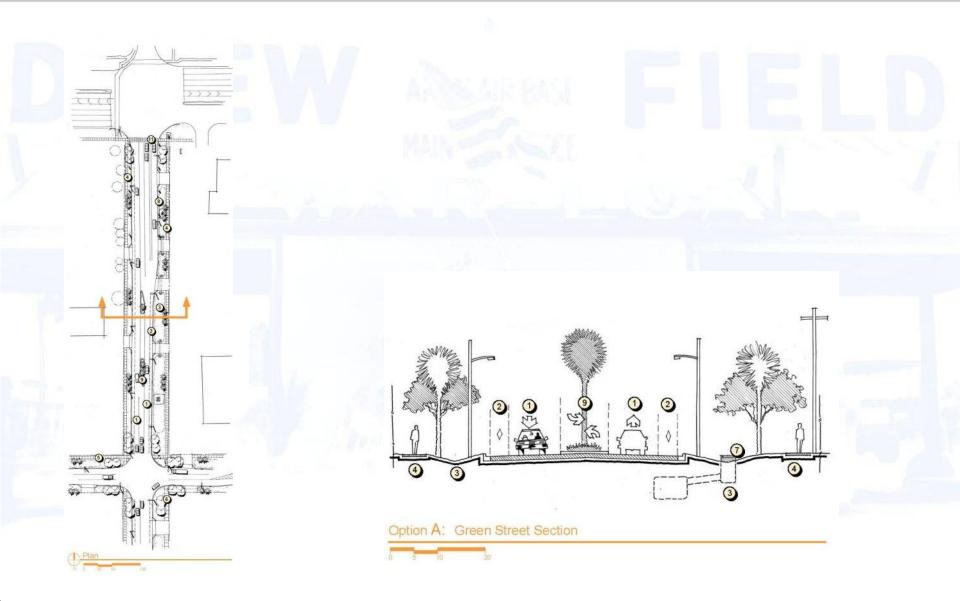


Lois & Hillsborough Gateway

- Gateway Elements on both sides of the road frame the view into
 Drew Park
 - Low simple plantings at the base of the Elements provide continuity and an attractive edge to the street









Community Identifiers

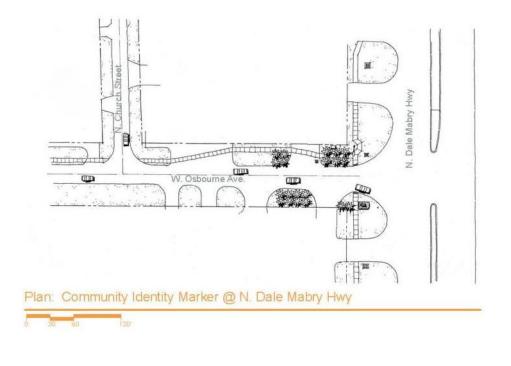
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- Incorporate Simple Graphic with Palm Tree Planting to increase







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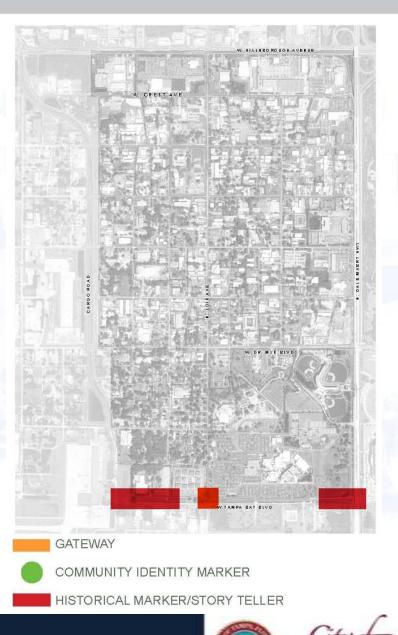


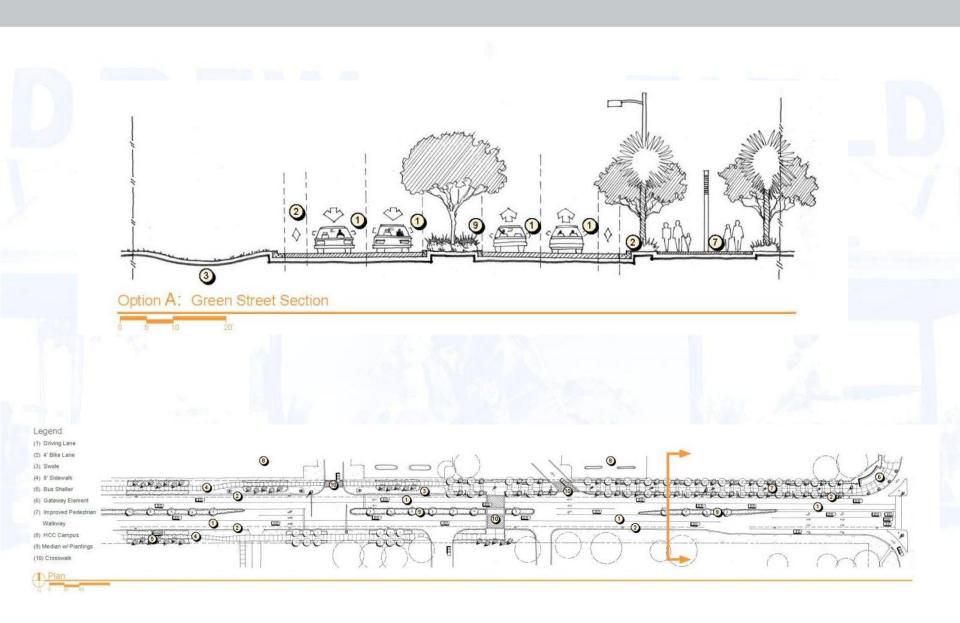


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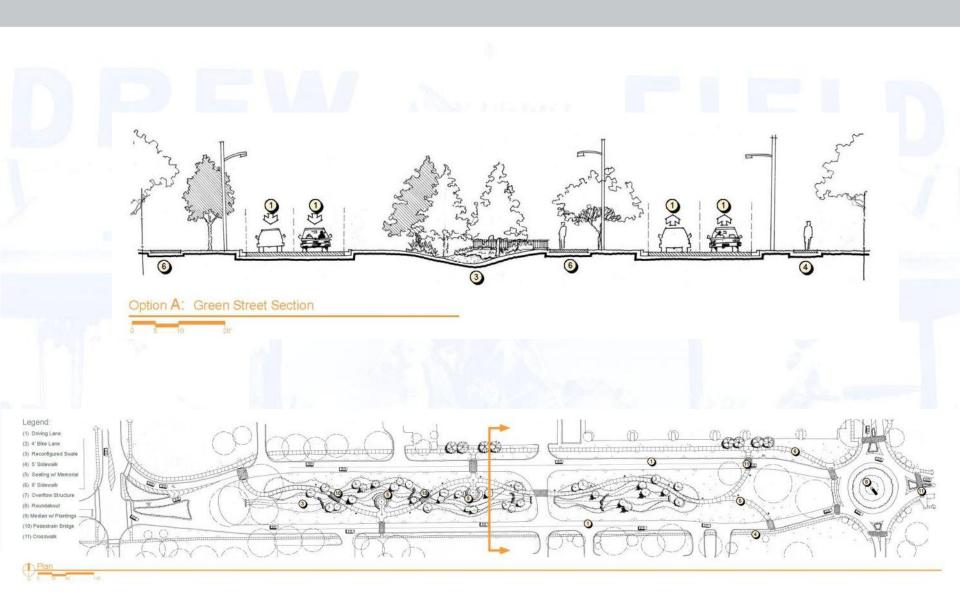
- Locate in High Pedestrian area
- Memorialize Drew Field History
- Create Shelter at Dale Mabry Crossing
- Incorporate as Part of Public Art Program













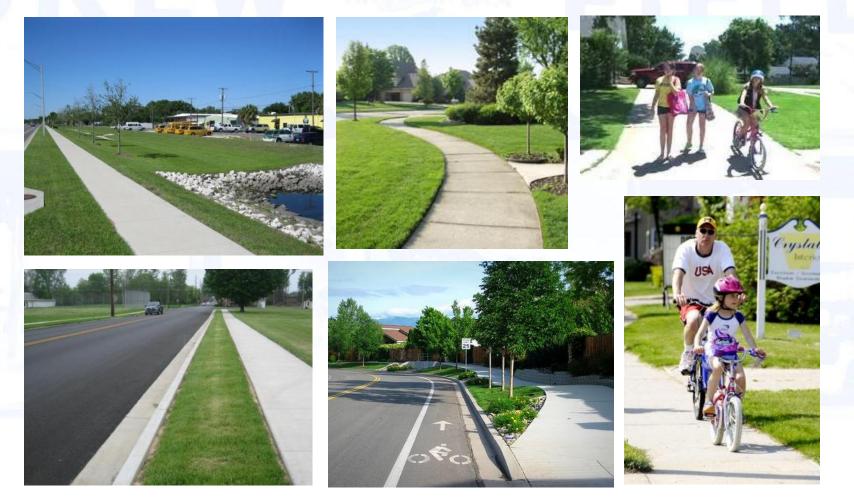
3. Create a connected system of walks and trails to increase pedestrian access throughout the community

- Develop a linear park connecting Cargo
 Road with Tampa Bay Boulevard and Lois
 Avenue
- Provide connections from Neighborhood
 walks to Linear Park
- Improve walk access to Dale Mabry along
 East west streets

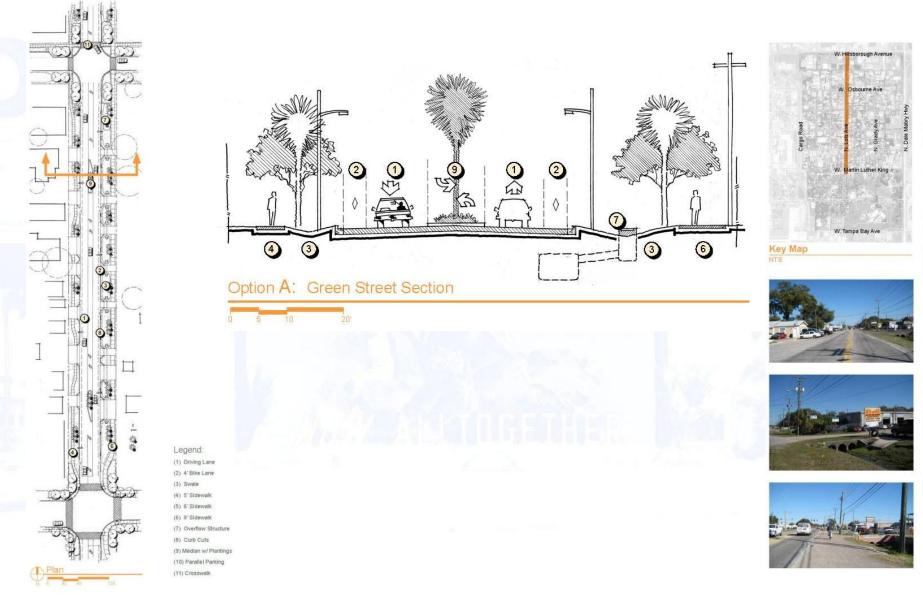




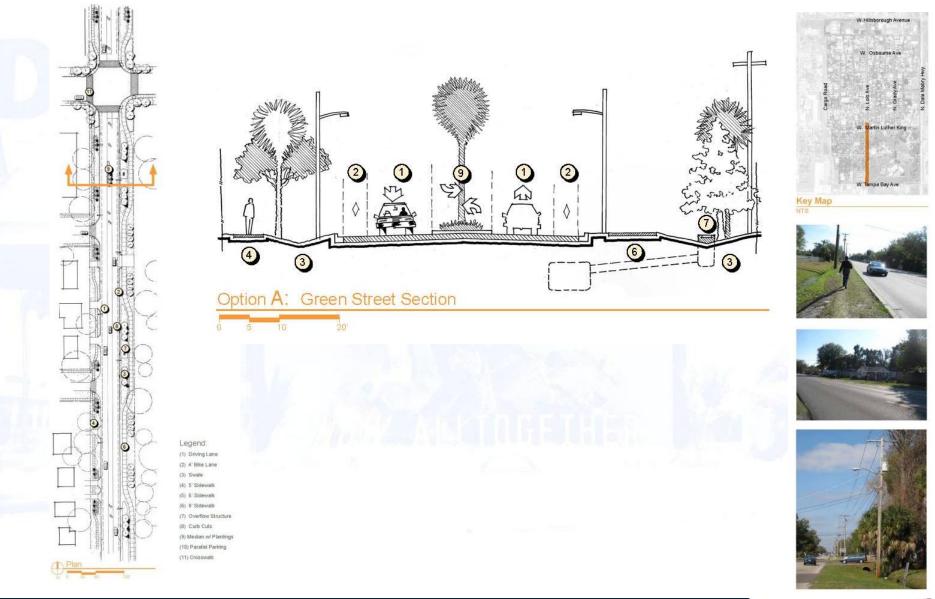
Create an Interconnected Linear Park







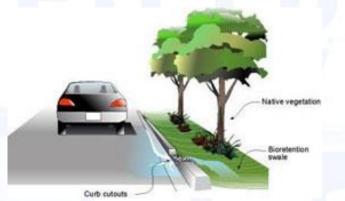






4. Develop a design solution for the drainage swales that converts existing ditches into maintainable bio-swales

- Improves water quality
- Increases water uptake and evaporation
- Improves appearance of streets and neighborhoods
- Reduced lawn mowing and maintenance
- Requires periodic cleaning and maintenance of storm structures
- Becoming widely accepted by SWFWMD and governmental agencies











5. Develop passive park areas along the Linear Park and an active Play Park within the residential neighborhood

- Passive park features include seating areas, shade structures, artwork, community information stations
- Active Play area may include a small playground and multi-purpose court for basketball



6. Incorporate Artwork throughout the community

- Creative community and business environment
- Invite artists to create works
 symbolizing the history, culture and
 industry of Drew Park
- Incorporate Artwork in Gateways, Identifiers and Historical features

































7. Coordinated Lighting and Site furnishings

- Work with Tampa Electric to begin changing the Lighting to new Low Energy Light Fixtures
- Limit site furnishings to high pedestrian and transit stop corridors – Lois, Tampa Bay and MLK.
 - Furnishings consistent with new community character



Option A – Metal Tech

- Emphasize use of Metal benches and light poles.
- High Tech Light Fixtures
- Incorporate Industrial Imagery as part of furnishings











Option B – Concrete Durability

- Emphasize use of Concrete benches and light poles.
- High Tech Light Fixtures
- Durable Steel Litter
 Receptacles
 - Simple durable bike racks













Plant Palette

- Low Maintenance
- Florida Native Materials















Next Steps

- Present this Plan to the Community Redevelopment Agency
- Prepare Final Design Report & Master Plan
- Present Final Design Report to CRA for Approval



Questions and Comments





Landscape Architecture | Urban | Environmental Design



