

STATE OF ALABAMA                    ) (
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COUNTY OF BALDWIN                ) (

The City Council met in a Work Session
at 4:00 p.m., Fairhope Municipal Complex Council Chamber,
161 North Section Street, Fairhope, Alabama 36532,
on Monday, 10 April 2023.

Present were Council President Jay Robinson, Councilmembers: Jack Burrell
(arrived at 4:22 p.m.), Corey Martin, Jimmy Conyers, and Kevin Boone (arrived at
4:06 p.m.), Mayor Sherry Sullivan, City Attorney Marcus E. McDowell, and City
Clerk Lisa A. Hanks.

Council President Jay Robinson called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- The first item on the agenda was the Presentation on the Conceptual/Preliminary
Update of Design for the Triangle Park (GOMESA) by the Thompson Design
Team: Christopher Grant, Anthony Garcia, and Ben Kahlmus. This grant is for
the Northern Parcel that will have trails for pedestrian and cyclists; an ADA loop;
and a tunnel under Veterans Drive. He said these are the grant minimum
specifications and requirements. (See attached handout)

Councilmember Burrell said he had concerns with parking on sidewalks, creek
bank being on edge of park; and location of bike repair station. Councilmember
Burrell stated he likes the elements and vision

Councilmember Martin said to keep those living for design; and gave an example
of the resiliency like Gulf Shores. He stated concerns with noise and trails
crossing. Councilmember Martin stated he was excited about the design.

Councilmember Conyers stated we need make a vision for Southern Parcel. He
questioned the long leaf pines and need to burn.

Councilmember Boone questioned the bike trail and the drop. Mr. Grant stated it
is relatively flat.

Mayor Sullivan commented we need a bus turn around; and suggested using
bollards to keep parking off sidewalk.

Council President Robinson also stated we need a vision for Southern Parcel.

Mr. Kahlmus, an arborist with Fulgham, explained the multiple species on
property. Councilmember Burrell stated erosion is a concern. Councilmember
Martin we to keep this property not busy and use other parcels.

Mr. Grant stated this parcel is bigger than it looks; and said the trail is not near
waters edge. He said this is part of the Eastern Shore Watershed Program; and
hopefully, restoration of Fly Creek. Mr. Grant stated we are keeping STEM and
STEAM in mind for the outdoor classroom or gathering space.

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He said trail signage is important; and could possibly use art from Fairhope Artists in the park. Mr. Grant showed the City Council the best spot for the tunnel on Veterans Drive and explained why. Council President Robinson commented this is a great start and it looks great.

- Council President Robinson gave an update on the Historic Preservation Committee; and commented on the Historic Preservation Ordinance. He wanted to know if they could form the Historic Preservation Commission without having by-laws or duties. The Committee wants the City to be a Certified Local Government and this is the first step. Council President Robinson said their next meeting would be April 12, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. Councilmember Burrell stated members should be at least seven.

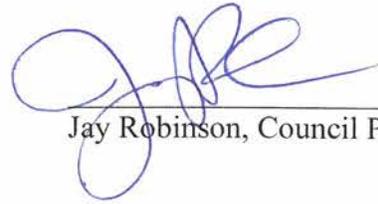
Council President Robinson briefly went through the Agenda Items and who would explain if needed.

- City Treasurer Kim Creech addressed the City Council and stated the audit was released last week; and highlights are in your box. She explained Agenda Item No. 17 along with IT Director Jeff Montgomery; and answered any questions if needed. Mr. Montgomery said he would eliminate Log Management System and use for General Billing.
- IT Director Jeff Montgomery addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 15, No. 16 and No. 17; and answered any questions if needed.
- Public Works Director Richard Johnson addressed the City Council and recognized the Triangle Design Team; and said the space is significant and trails are small. He stated the street scape will remain the same; and considered "iconic." Mr. Johnson explained Agenda Items No. 12, No. 13, and No. 8; and answered any questions if needed.
- Police Chief Stephanie Hollinghead addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 7, No. 18, and No. 19; and answered any questions if needed.
- Interim Gas Superintendent Wes Boyett addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Item No. 11; and answered any questions if needed.
- Human Resources Director Cory Pierce addressed the City Council regarding the Internship with the Gas Department.
- Water and Wastewater Superintendent Jason Langley addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Item No. 9; and answered any questions if needed.
- Community Development Director Paige Crawford addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Item No. 10; and answered any questions if needed.
- Planning Director Hunter Simmons addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 5 and No. 6; and answered any questions if needed.

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- Councilmember Burrell addressed the City Council regarding Agenda No. 14; and answered any questions if needed. He stated HATCH would eventually move into the K-1 Center.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:47 p.m.



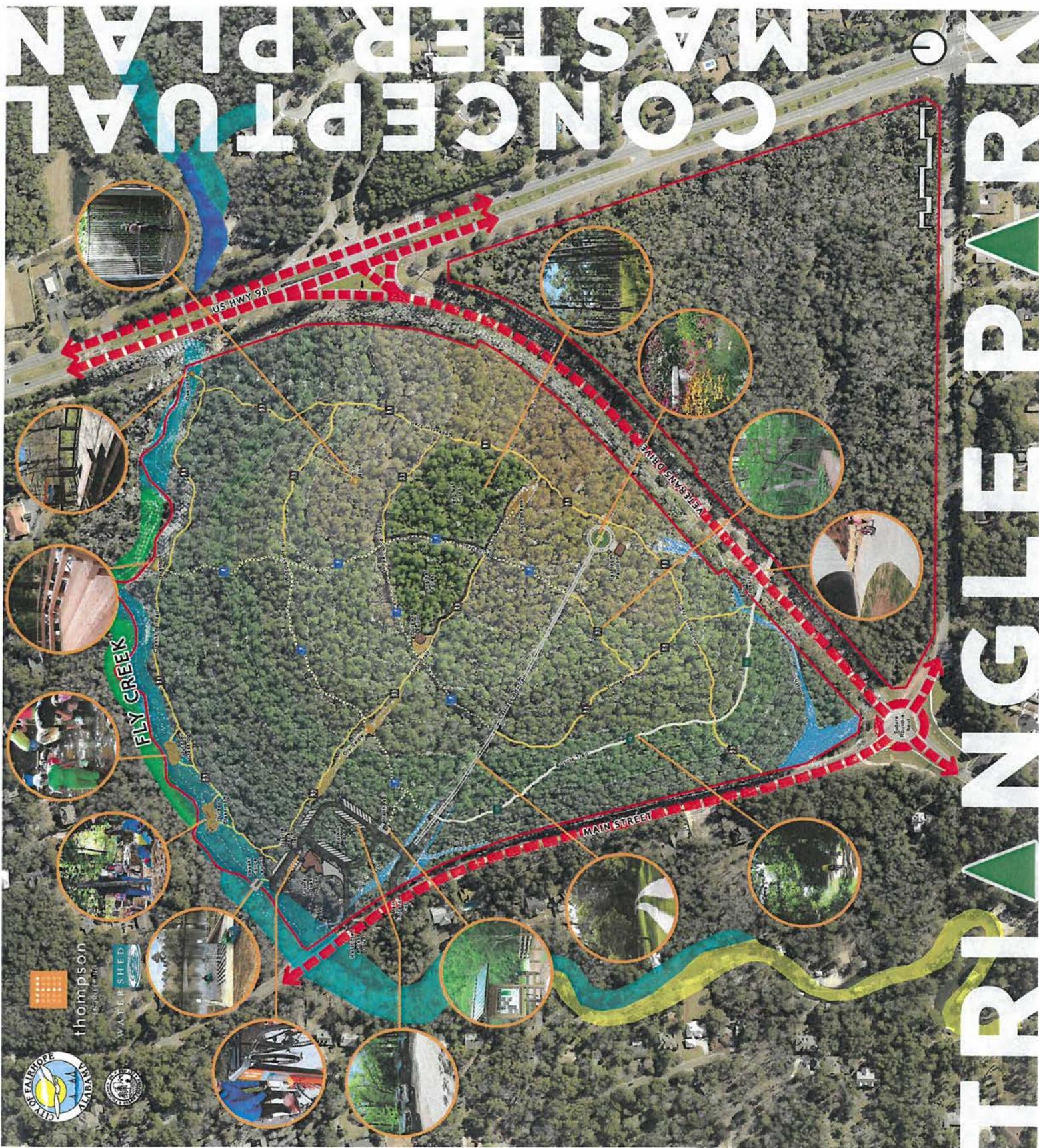
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Jay Robinson, Council President



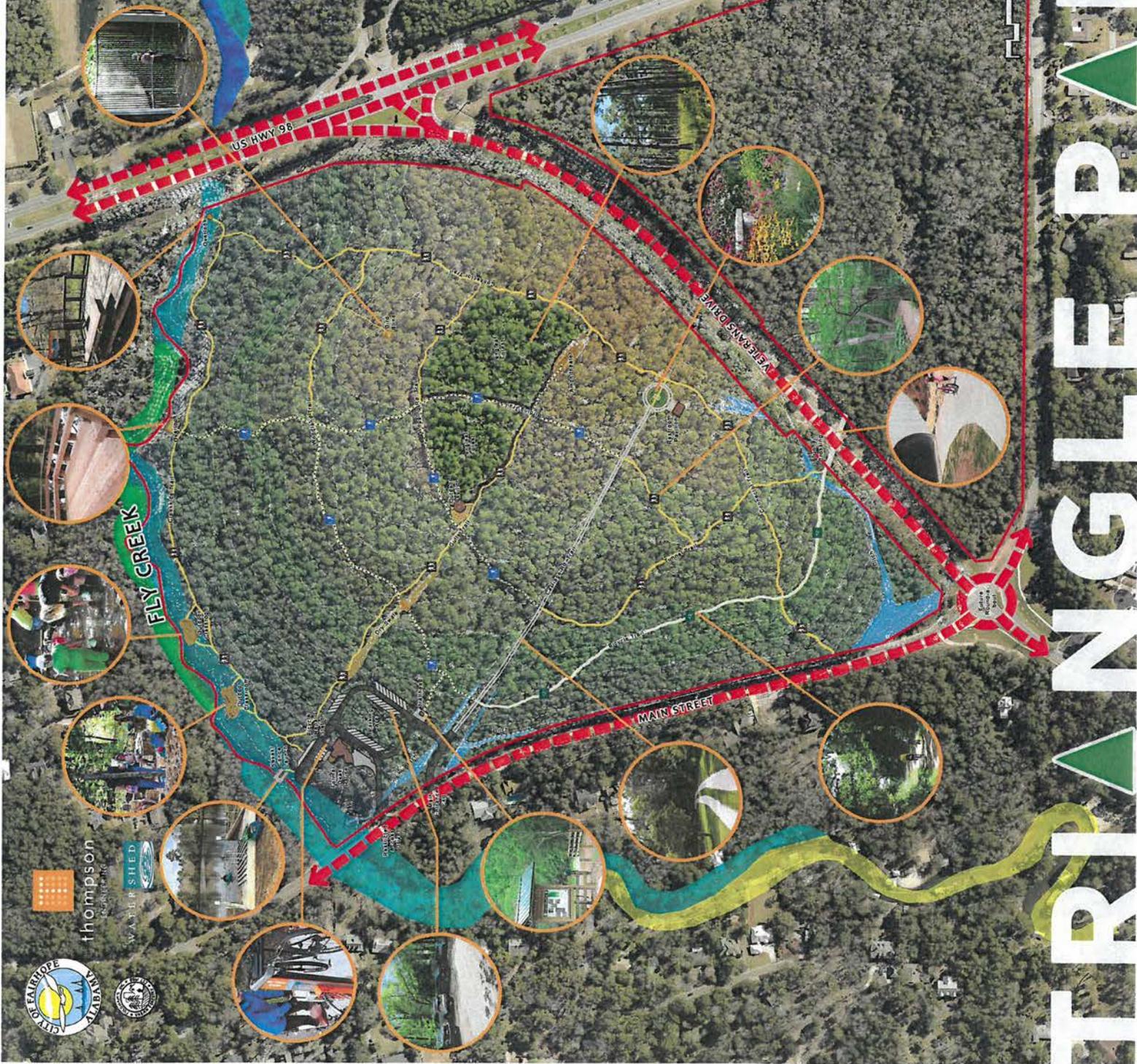
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Lisa A. Hanks, MMC  
City Clerk



# CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN

# TRIANGLE PARK



thompson  
landscape architecture

WATER SHED

