



Austin Parks and Recreation Department

Onion Creek Metro Park

Parks and Recreation Board Presentation
February 22, 2022



Current Onion Creek Metro Park

Onion Creek Metro Park Timeline

- 1998 Acquisition of Onion Creek Metro Park
- 2013 Creation of the Onion Creek Metro Park District by SB 1872, 83rd Legislative Session
- 2014 Consent Agreement signed by COA, Onion Creek Park District and Austin Goodnight Ranch LP
- 2014 AGR funds a Vision Plan with the Austin Parks Foundation
- 2015 Council adopts Onion Creek Vision Plan
- 2019 Phase 1 Metro Park Improvements completed by COA
- 2020 Buyout Area/North Section Added to Metro Park
- 2020 First Amendment to the Consent Agreement

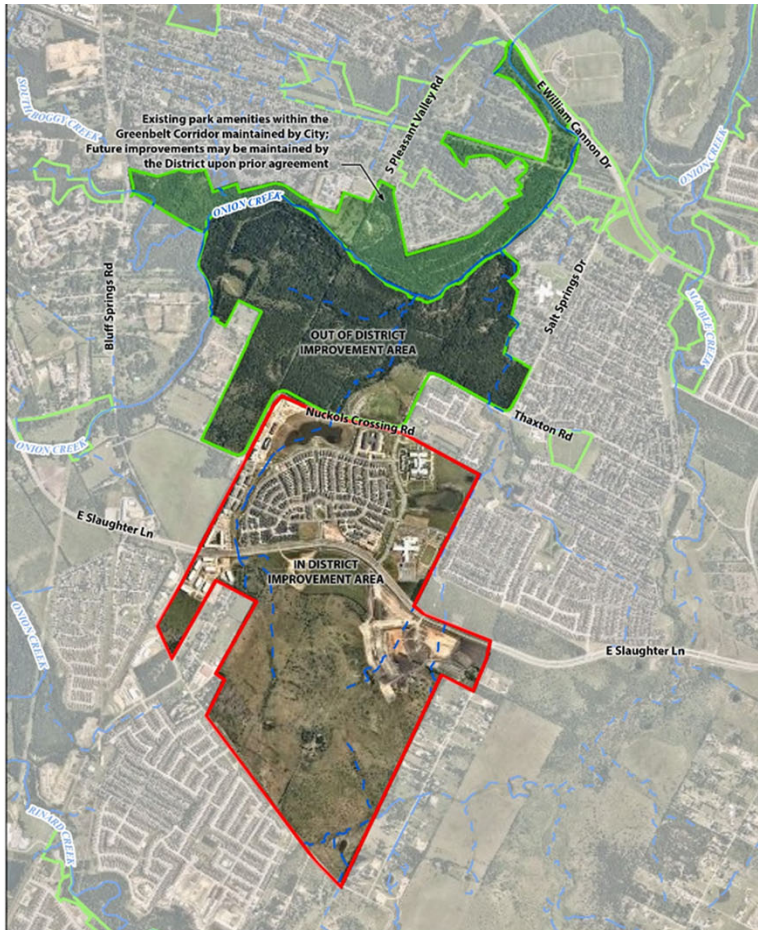


Consent Agreement Roles and Responsibilities

- **Onion Creek Metro Park District**
 - Collect a resident district tax in part for the operation and maintenance of park facilities (Ongoing)
 - Operation and maintenance of recreation improvements within the portion of Onion Creek Metro Park south of Onion Creek (Ongoing)
 - Nominate District Board of Directors for Places 4, 5, 6 and 7. (As Needed)
- **City of Austin, Parks and Recreation Department**
 - Nominate District Board of Directors for Places 1,2 and 3. (As Needed)
 - Complete Onion Creek Metro Park base park improvements. (Completed in 2019)
 - Fund agreed upon future improvements with parkland dedication fees collected within the District, other available parkland dedication fees, authorized bond funding or other authorized funds. (Ongoing)
- **Austin Goodnight Ranch, LP**
 - Advance funding to the Austin Parks Foundation for the Onion Creek Metro Park Vision Plan. (Completed in 2015)
 - Advance funding for In-District park and open space improvements including a 3-mile loop trail. (Partially Complete/In Progress)







In District and Out of District Improvement Areas



Out of District Base Park Improvements



In District Park Improvements

Onion Creek Metro Park Capital Investment

- COA CIP investment to date
 - Base Park Improvements (\$4 million): 30-acre irrigated great lawn area, 20-acre improved natural area, loop trail, 50-space parking lot, drinking fountain, reclaimed water line connection.
- Future CIP projects
 - Phase 1 Completion (Est. \$2-3 million): Additional park entry drive, 25-space parking lot, pavilions, additional trails.
- Park District commitments to future CIP investments
 - Operation and maintenance of new improvements.
- Partner Investments
 - All-Abilities Playground (Est. \$5 million): Austin Parks Foundation is in exploratory stages for funding and constructing an all-abilities playground and associated amenities including restroom at Onion Creek Metro Park.



Questions?

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