



## Memorandum

**Memorandum No: 22-065**

**Date:** May 25, 2022

**To:** Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

**From:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**Subject:** Laudertrail Update

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In January 2022, the City Commission passed a resolution accepting the Laudertrail Master Plan and included it as part of their 2022 Commission Priorities. The Laudertrail Master Plan was an eight-month process, led by The Path Foundation, which defined the proposed route, branding, cost estimates, conceptual design elements, best practices, and recommendations for funding and implementing a successful trail system. The proposed route is 42 total miles, connecting 35 neighborhoods, 45 parks and greenspaces, 12 schools, 270 business, and connections with multi-modal services.

To advance the project through design, the City is negotiating new agreements with the Path Foundation to provide general consulting services with Kittleson and Associates to deliver design services. The project has approximately \$4,700,000 of available park bond funding. Staff plans to expend approximately \$850,000 for the design and engineering portion of the trail segments identified here within. At this time, staff does not intend to advance the trail segments to construction as the remaining funding could be leveraged as matching contributions for federal and/or state funding opportunities.

After careful consideration and in consultation with the Path Foundation and the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), staff has selected trail segments 2D, 2E, and 2F as the model trail. These segments will connect the Downtown Mobility Hub to Carter Park, and in conjunction with the already funded Northwest 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue surtax project, the trail will connect northward to Mills Pond Park. Staff anticipates that the socio-economic impacts of these segments will provide a stronger likelihood of being awarded funding from federal infrastructure and transportation bills. The design of 2D, 2E, and 2F is anticipated to be completed in April 2023.

In addition to the model trail, City staff recommends advancing segments 1B and 1C to leverage partnership opportunities with nearby private development projects and planned Holiday Park park-bond improvements. These segments include improvements from the existing Flagler Greenway to Holiday Park and includes major crosswalk improvements across Federal Highway. The design of segment 1B and 1C is anticipated to be completed in December 2022.

For further information on the Lauderdale project, please contact Ben Rogers, Director of Transportation and Mobility, at [brogers@fortlauderdale.gov](mailto:brogers@fortlauderdale.gov).

Attachments:

Laudertrail Master Plan Segment 2D, 2E, and 2F  
Laudertrail Master Plan Segment 1B and 1C

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## Segment #2D | NW 4th Street Buffered Cycle Track

### Overview

The image below illustrates a proposed buffered cycle track along NW 4th Street. The continued cycle track will be raised to match the sidewalk height with a 2-6' wide landscape buffer.

### Proposed Trail Type

Buffered Cycle Track



Existing condition of NW 4th Street, FEC RR crossing, and NW Flagler Avenue, looking west.





## Segment #2E | NW 5th Street - NW 5th Court Green Alley

### Overview

The image below illustrates a proposed green alley between NW 4th Street and NW 14th Avenue connecting Walker Elementary School to Provident Park.

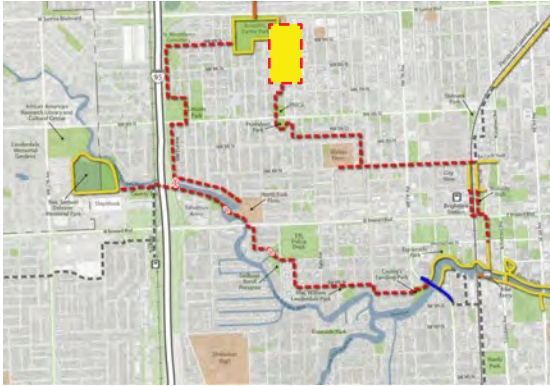
### Proposed Trail Type

Green Alley



Existing condition of alley between NW 5th Street and NW 5th Court, looking east.





## Segment #2F | Proposed Trail on NW 13th Terrace

### Overview

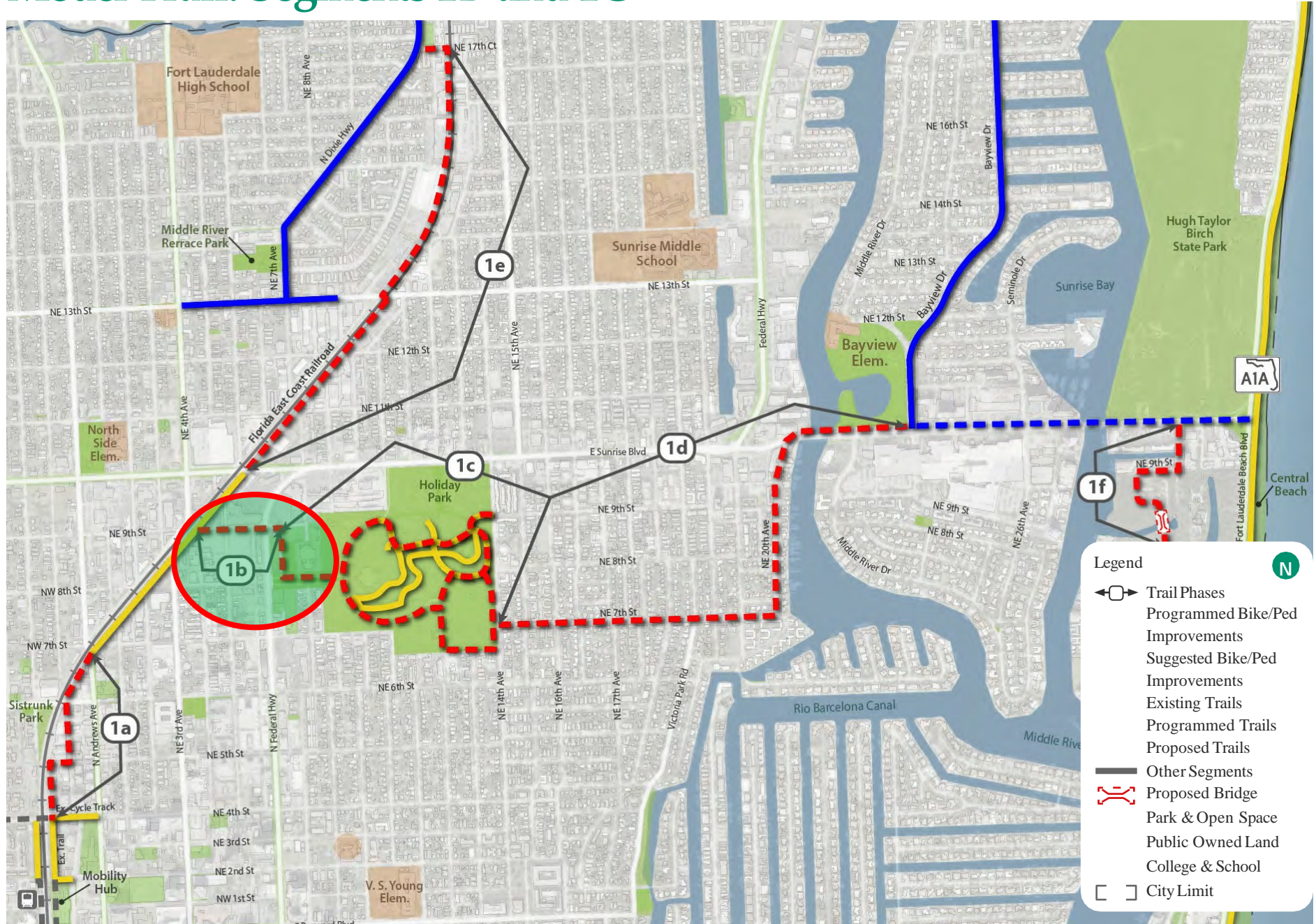
The plan below illustrates a typical buffered side path connecting Provident Park to Carter Park via NW 13th Terrace.

### Proposed Trail Type

Buffered Side Path



# Model Trail: Segments 1B and 1C



**Legend**

- Trail Phases
- Programmed Bike/Ped Improvements
- Suggested Bike/Ped Improvements
- Existing Trails
- Programmed Trails
- Proposed Trails
- Other Segments
- Proposed Bridge
- Park & Open Space
- Public Owned Land
- College & School
- City Limit

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## Segment #1B | Flagler Greenway to NE 9th Street

### *Overview*

The image below illustrates a development scenario with a proposed buffered side path along NE 9th Street to connect the Flagler Greenway to Holiday Park.

### *Proposed Trail Type*

Greenway, Buffered Side Path



Existing conditions looking east towards NE 9th Avenue and Holiday Park.





## Segment #1C | NE 9th Street to Holiday Park

### Overview

The image below illustrates the same development scenario at US 1 / Federal Highway with a proposed scramble crosswalk to get trail users safely into Holiday Park.

### Proposed Trail Type

Buffered Side Path



Existing conditions of intersection of NE 9th Avenue and US 1 looking east towards Holiday Park.

