



RECREATION COMMISSION WORK SESSION JULY 24, 2024

ALPHARETTA CITY HALL
COMMUNITY ROOM
2 PARK PLAZA
5:30 PM

1. WORK SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. *This meeting agenda is for work session purposes only. Items will be discussed by the members of the Board or Commission, but no formal action will be taken on today's agenda items.*

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. ROLL CALL

4. WORK SESSION ITEMS

- a. Union Hill Park Design
b. Greenway Trail User Update

5. ADJOURNMENT



STAFF REPORT

Department: Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services

Submitted By: Morgan Rodgers

Meeting Date: July 24, 2024

AGENDA ITEM:

Union Hill Park Design

Discussion and consideration of the Union Hill Park design.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for work session and discussion purposes only. No formal vote is requested during the work session.

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Union Hill Park Design was built in 1995 as a special use facility for roller hockey. The popularity of roller hockey faded, and the park usage was almost nonexistent. With the development of the Alpharetta Greenway from Marconi Road Park to Union Hill Park, the purpose of the park was re-imagined. The new design included the renovation of the covered roller hockey rink into a special event/music venue, a Greenway Trail head and connection to the Forsyth County Greenway, redesign of the parking, and a new skate park and play/gathering area. The conceptual design was shown to citizens at public input meetings and was approved by the Recreation Commission and the City Council. Funds were allocated in the 2021 Bond Referendum for the construction of the park.

In 2023, the renovation of the covered arena into a special event/music venue was completed utilizing bond funds. Home By Dark's Union Hill Summer Concert Series, Shamrockin' for a Cure, Atlanta Magazine's Grill Fest, I Can Bike Camp, and Camp Momentum are all events scheduled to be held at the park in 2024.

One newly introduced factor with the repurposed arena is limited parking. Today, there are 107 parking spaces in Union Hill Park. The current design would improve the flow and add another 11 parking spaces. Through the City's recently executed Memorandum of Understanding with ZKTeco (the company next door to Union Hill Park), 72 additional parking spaces have been made available to accommodate events on Friday evenings, Saturday, and Sundays.

With the growing popularity of the use of Union Hill Park as a trail head for the Alpharetta Greenway and the expanded number of events held and anticipated at the covered special event/music venue, the current design for the addition of only 11 parking spaces was reworked to see if the plan could include even more parking. The new design resulted in an additional 49 parking spaces as opposed to only 11.

After denial from the Recreation Commission to add 49 parking spaces to the Union Hill Park plan and multiple deferrals from City Council, the current plan was sent back to value engineer adding a playground to Union Hill Park. The new plan includes a small playground area, the skate park, and existing parking lot.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Union Hill Park - Original Design January 2023
2. Union Hill Park - Parking Design May 2024
3. Union Hill Park - Playground Concept July 2024
4. Union Hill Park - Updated Aerial View of Playground July 2024
5. Union Hill Park - Updated side view of playground July 2024

DESIGN PROGRAM

"EVERY ACT OF CREATION IS FIRST OF ALL AN
ACT OF DESTRUCTION" - PABLO PICASSO

- 1 PAVILION
- 2 REIMAGINED PARKING LOT
- 3 PAVING ORGANIZATION FOR CYCLISTS
- 4 CYCLIST TRAIL ACCESS
- 5 PARK ENTRY
- 6 SHADE STRUCTURE
- 7 BATHROOM
- 8 PLAY EQUIPMENT - SWINGS
- 9 ART INSTALLATION
- 10 PLAY SPACE WITH SLIDES
- 11 DETENTION AREA WITH RECLAIMED CONCRETE
- 12 SKATEPARK
- 13 EXPANDED TRAIL CORNER



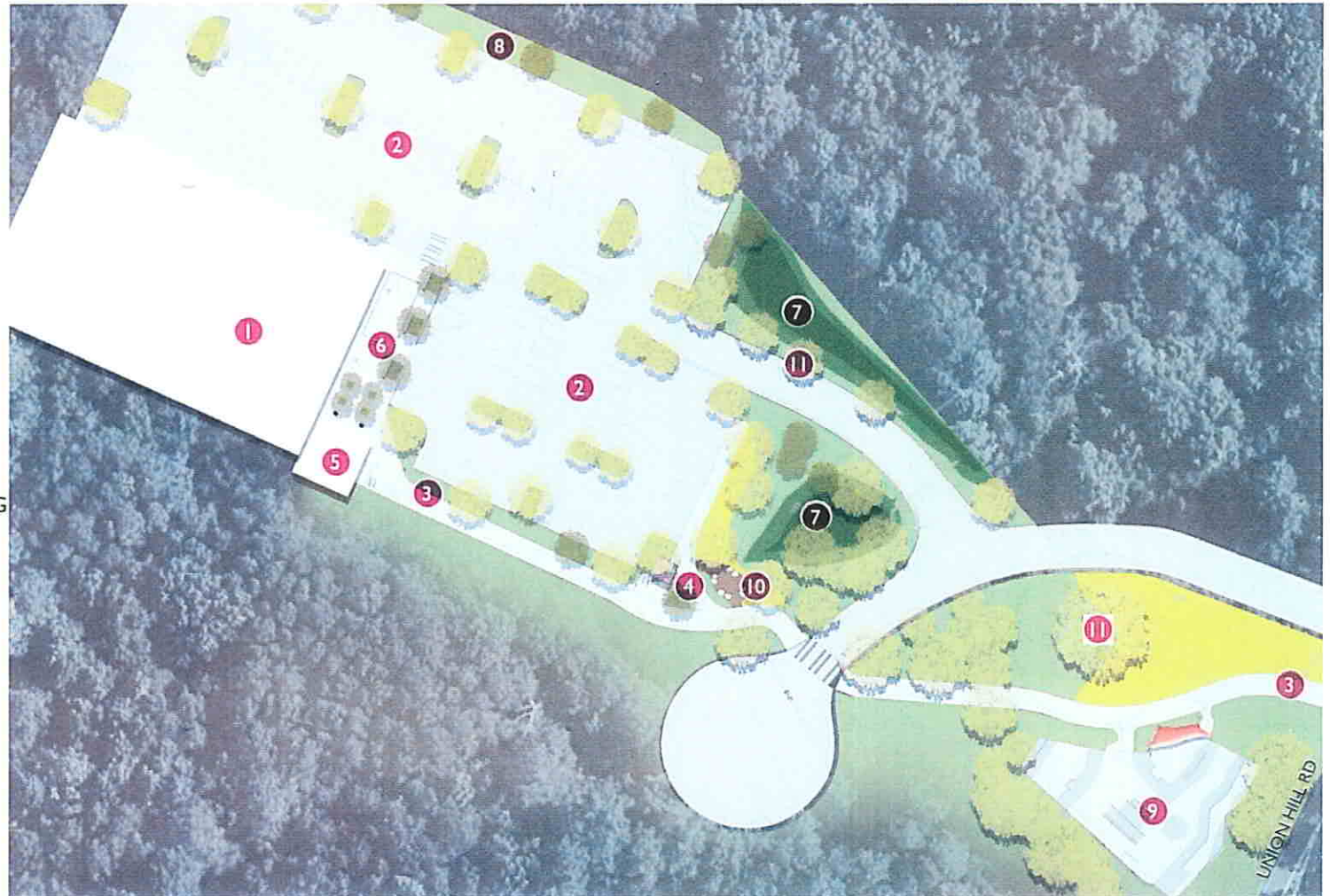
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UNION HILL PARK | DISCOVERY

DESIGN PROGRAM

- 1 PAVILION
- 2 RE-IMAGINED PARKING LOT
- 3 BIKE TRAIL
- 4 TRAILHEAD
- 5 RESTROOM BUILDING
- 6 PAVILION PLAZA
- 7 DETENTION AREA
- 8 GRASS SWALE
- 9 SKATE PARK
- 10 TRAILHEAD / NATURAL SEATING
- 11 CHAMPION PINE

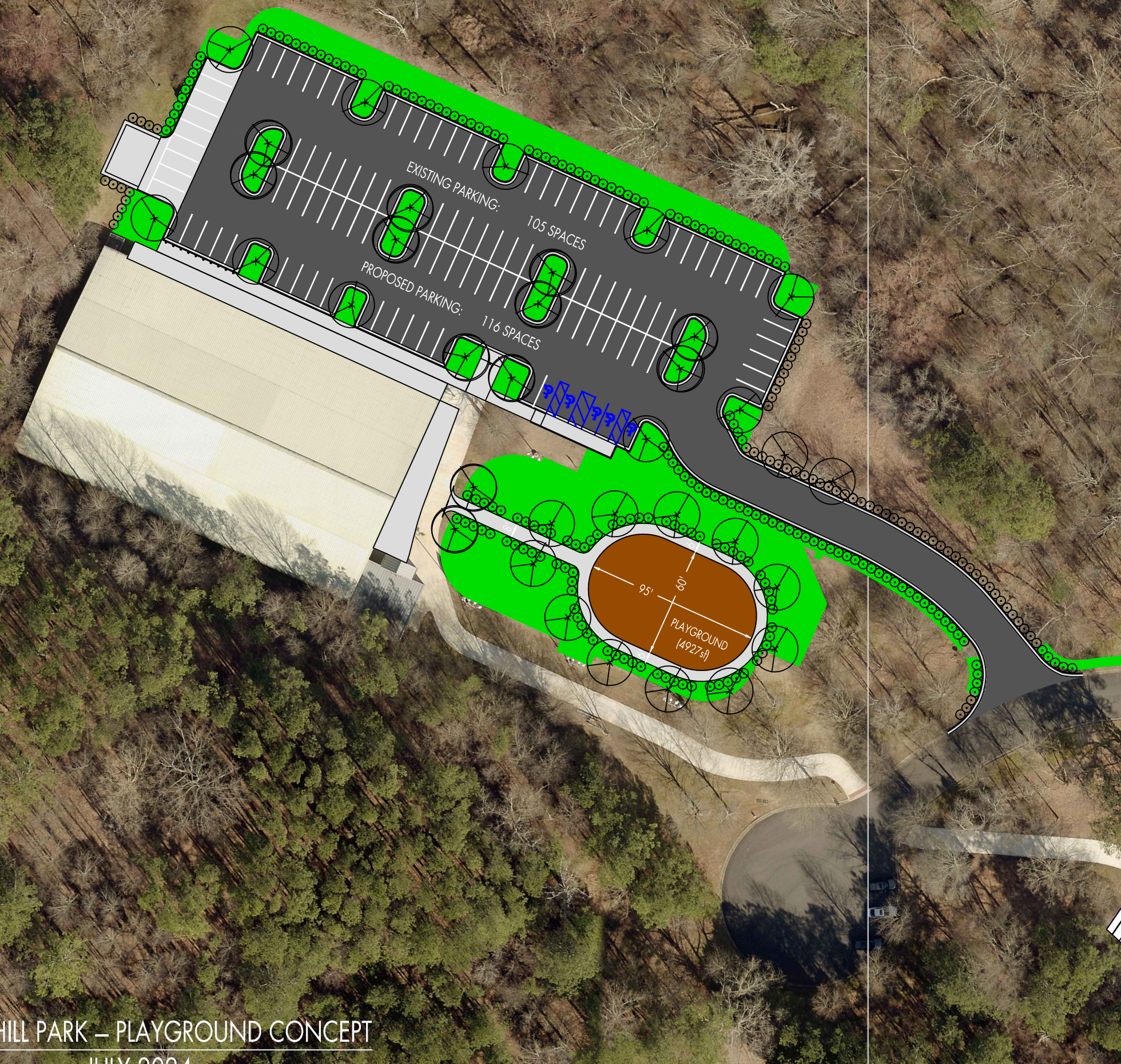


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UNION HILL PARK | DESIGN





UNION HILL PARK – PLAYGROUND CONCEPT
JULY 2024







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AGENDA ITEM:

Greenway Trail User Update

Review the use of the Greenway in different areas.

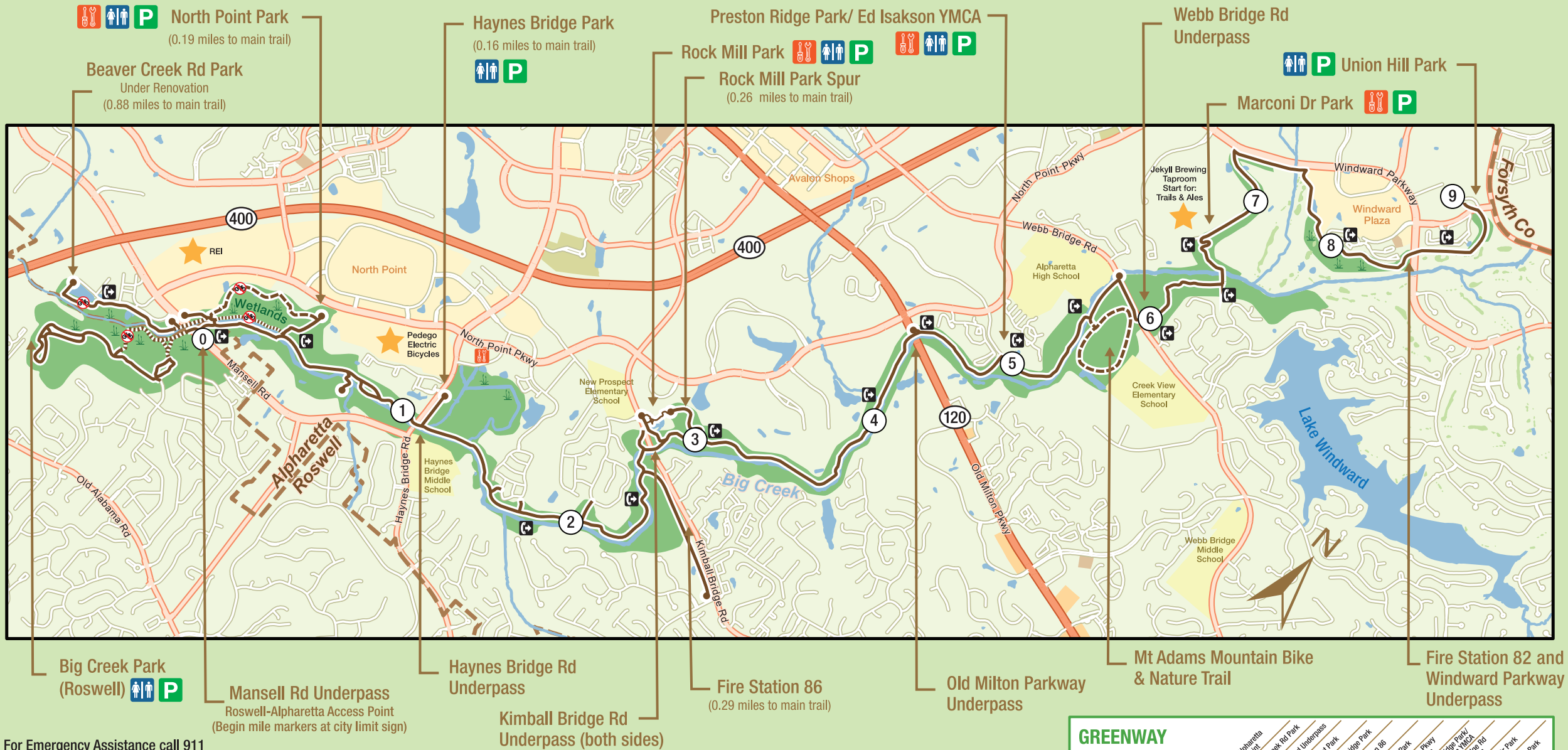
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Greenway Trail User Update-The Greenway is a great pathway through Alpharetta. Lots of people use it for exercise and the City has managed to track the usage along the Greenway in certain areas with trail camera technology.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Greenway Map
2. Greenway Usage - Days of the Week
3. Greenway Usage - Months of the Year
4. Greenway Usage - Monthly Totals



For Emergency Assistance call 911

Map Legend

- Bicycle Aid Station
- Bike Alpharetta Partner
- Bikes Not Allowed
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Emergency Call Box
- Mile Markers
- Concrete Greenway
- Nature Trail
- Boardwalk

Approximate Scale:
1 inch = 0.5 miles

The Big Creek Greenway



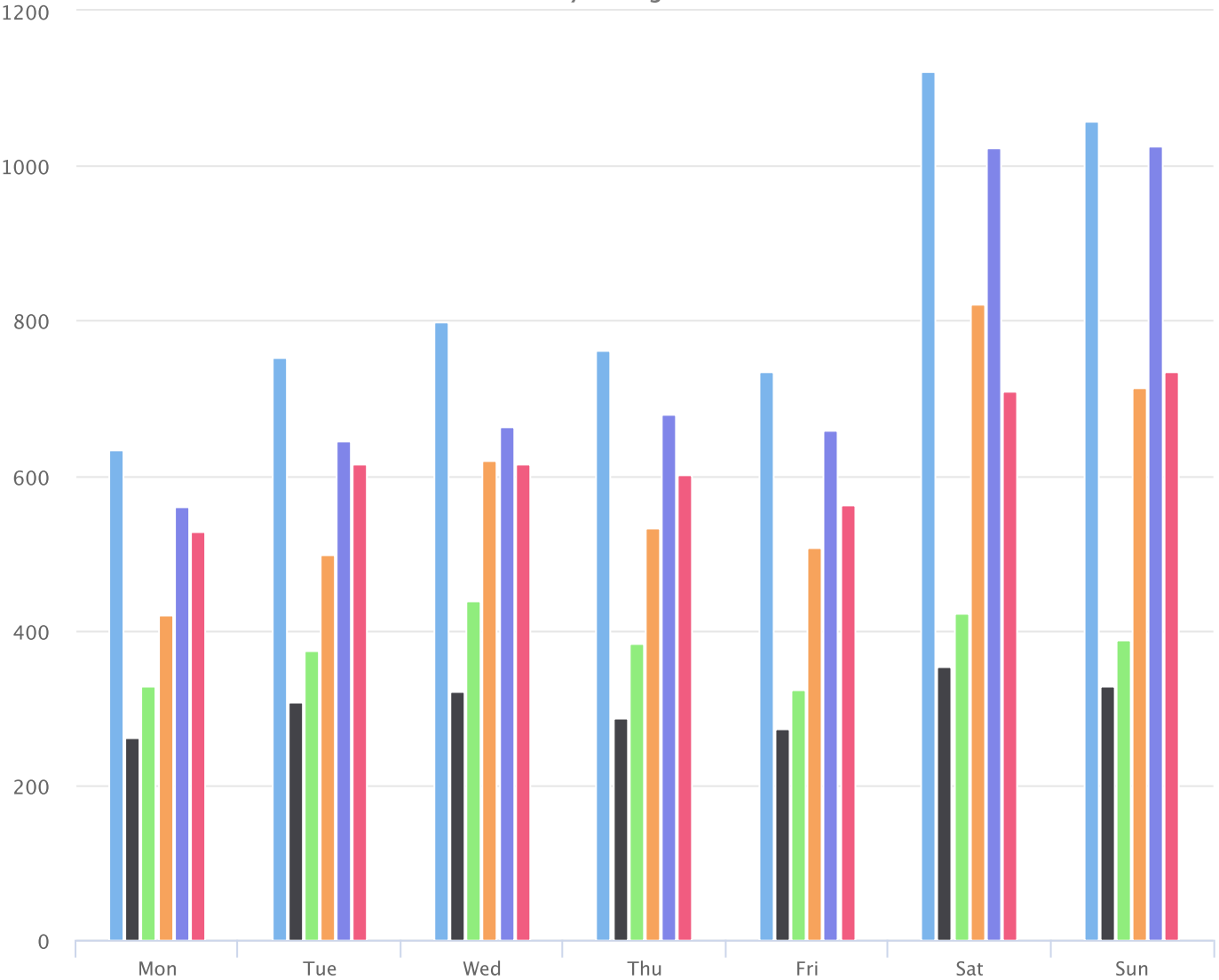
GREENWAY MILEAGE CHART

	Roswell-Alpharetta Access Point	Beaver Creek Rd Park	Mansell Rd Underpass	North Point Park	Haynes Bridge Rd Park	Fire Station 86	Rock Mill Park	Old Milton Pkwy Underpass	Preston Ridge Park/Ed Isakson YMCA	Webb Bridge Rd Underpass	Marconi Dr Park	Union Hill Park
Roswell-Alpharetta Access Point	—	0.88	0.18	0.53	1.28	2.91	3.01	4.47	4.95	5.74	6.72	8.90
Beaver Creek Rd Park	0.88	—	0.62	1.30	2.04	3.68	3.70	5.25	5.71	6.58	7.49	9.67
Mansell Rd Underpass	0.18	0.62	—	0.68	1.42	3.06	3.08	4.63	5.09	5.96	6.87	9.05
North Point Park	0.53	1.30	0.68	—	1.15	2.79	2.77	4.36	4.82	5.70	6.60	8.78
Haynes Bridge Rd Park	1.28	2.04	1.42	1.15	—	1.98	2.00	3.55	4.00	4.89	5.79	7.97
Fire Station 86	2.91	3.68	3.06	2.79	1.98	—	0.64	2.16	2.61	3.50	4.40	6.58
Rock Mill Park	3.01	3.70	3.08	2.77	2.00	0.64	—	1.79	2.26	3.14	4.05	6.23
Old Milton Pkwy Underpass	4.47	5.25	4.63	4.36	3.55	2.16	1.79	—	0.50	1.39	2.29	4.47
Preston Ridge Park/Ed Isakson YMCA	4.95	5.71	5.09	4.82	4.00	2.61	2.26	0.50	—	0.88	1.78	3.96
Webb Bridge Rd Underpass	5.74	6.58	5.96	5.70	4.89	3.50	3.14	1.39	0.88	—	0.90	3.08
Marconi Dr Park	6.72	7.49	6.87	6.60	5.79	4.40	4.05	2.29	1.78	0.90	—	2.18
Union Hill Park	8.90	9.67	9.05	8.78	7.97	6.58	6.23	4.47	3.96	3.08	2.18	—

Days of the week

2024-05-26 to 2024-07-14

Daily averages

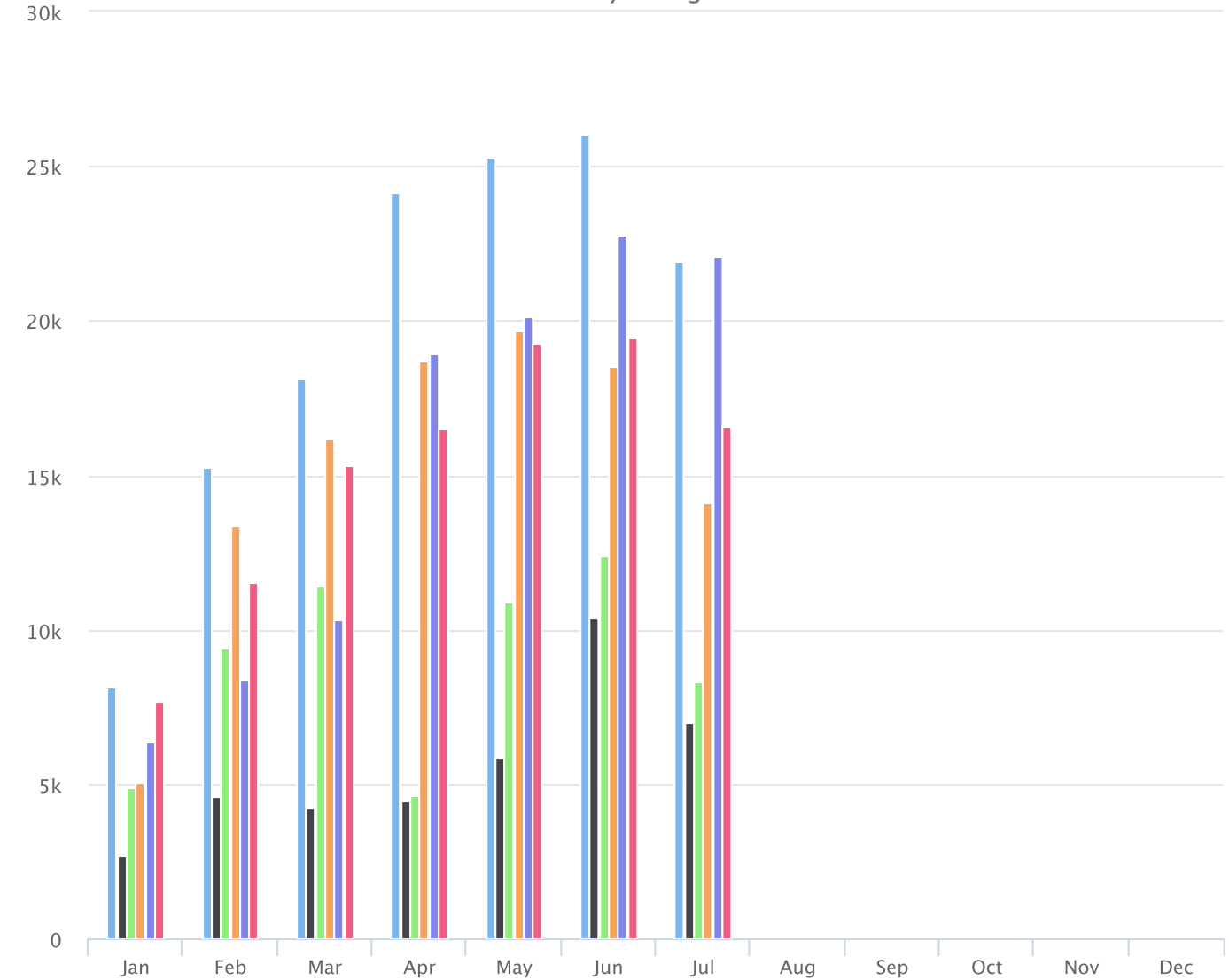


Site Name		Average	Median	STDV	Min	Max
Haynes Bridge Park		837.1	762.0	167.2	634.3	1,121.1
Marconni Park		305.0	307.9	30.2	262.6	354.3
Preston Ridge		379.8	382.3	40.1	322.9	438.7
Rock Mill Park		587.7	531.4	129.4	420.9	822.4
Roswell City Limits		750.8	663.4	176.7	560.7	1,026.6
Union Hill		623.6	614.7	68.5	528.3	733.7

Months of the year

2024-01-01 to 2024-07-14

Monthly averages



Site Name		Average	Median	STDV	Min	Max
Haynes Bridge Park		19,855.7	21,907.5	5,990.0	8,173.0	26,036.0
Marconni Park		5,600.6	4,567.9	2,324.6	2,668.0	10,388.0
Preston Ridge		8,853.1	9,391.6	2,852.0	4,672.0	12,383.0
Rock Mill Park		15,094.9	16,204.0	4,654.2	5,071.0	19,691.0
Roswell City Limits		15,571.8	18,951.0	6,446.8	6,366.0	22,771.0
Union Hill		15,189.0	16,533.0	3,933.2	7,669.0	19,137.0

Monthly* totals

2024-05-01 to 2024-07-31 (3 months)

