



# GARLAND

## **AGENDA**

### **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

**City of Garland**

**Work Session Room, City Hall**

**William E. Dollar Municipal Building**

**200 North Fifth Street**

**Garland, Texas**

**July 5, 2017**

**5:30 p.m.**

### **DEFINITIONS:**

**Written Briefing:** Items that generally do not require a presentation or discussion by the staff or Council. On these items the staff is seeking direction from the Council or providing information in a written format.

**Verbal Briefing:** These items do not require written background information or are an update on items previously discussed by the Council.

**Regular Item:** These items generally require discussion between the Council and staff, boards, commissions, or consultants. These items are often accompanied by a formal presentation followed by discussion.

**[Public comment will not be accepted during Work Session  
unless Council determines otherwise.]**

**NOTICE:** The City Council may recess from the open session and convene in a closed executive session if the discussion of any of the listed agenda items concerns one or more of the following matters:

(1) Pending/contemplated litigation, settlement offer(s), and matters concerning privileged and unprivileged client information deemed confidential by Rule 1.05 of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Sec. 551.071, Tex. Gov't Code.

(2) The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.072, Tex. Gov't Code.

(3) A contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.073, Tex. Gov't Code.

(4) Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. Sec. 551.074, Tex. Gov't Code.

(5) The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Sec. 551.076, Tex. Gov't Code.

(6) Discussions or deliberations regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect of the sort described in this provision. Sec. 551.087, Tex. Gov't Code.

(7) Discussions, deliberations, votes, or other final action on matters related to the City's competitive activity, including information that would, if disclosed, give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors and is reasonably related to one or more of the following categories of information:

- generation unit specific and portfolio fixed and variable costs, including forecasts of those costs, capital improvement plans for generation units, and generation unit operating characteristics and outage scheduling;
- bidding and pricing information for purchased power, generation and fuel, and Electric Reliability Council of Texas bids, prices, offers, and related services and strategies;
- effective fuel and purchased power agreements and fuel transportation arrangements and contracts;
- risk management information, contracts, and strategies, including fuel hedging and storage;
- plans, studies, proposals, and analyses for system improvements, additions, or sales, other than transmission and distribution system improvements inside the service area for which the public power utility is the sole certificated retail provider; and
- customer billing, contract, and usage information, electric power pricing information, system load characteristics, and electric power marketing analyses and strategies. Sec. 551.086; Tex. Gov't Code; Sec. 552.133, Tex. Gov't Code]

**1. Consider the Consent Agenda**

*A member of the City Council may ask for discussion or further information on an item posted as a consent agenda item on the next Regular Meeting of the City Council. The Council Member may also ask that an item on the posted consent agenda be pulled from the consent agenda and considered for a vote separate from consent agenda items on the regular agenda. All discussions or deliberations on this portion of the work session agenda are limited to posted agenda items and may not include a new or unposted subject matter.*

**2. Written Briefing:**

**a. 2017 Capital Improvement Program Budget Amendment No. 1**

*Council is requested to amend the 2017 Capital Improvement Program to appropriate \$958,614 for the construction of sixteen bridges included in the Bridge Remediation capital project. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the July 18, 2017 Regular Meeting.*

**3. Verbal Briefings:**

**a. Process of Selecting Tuckerville Park for Proposed Dog Park**

*At the May 1, 2017 Work Session, Council requested a presentation be made by the consultant, RVi Inc., on the process for selecting sites for the dog park. In addition, RVi was asked to provide visual examples of other dog parks in surrounding cities in order to provide context regarding the size of the proposed dog park in Garland. The consultant, RVi Inc., will make the presentation similar to that made in previous public meetings in October and November of 2016.*

**b. Report of NLC Summer Board & Leadership Meeting**

*Per Council policy, Council Member B.J. Williams will provide a brief report of highlights from the NLC Summer Board and Leadership (Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee) meeting.*

**c. Garland Development Code (GDC) Amendments**

*Staff will provide a briefing to the City Council on proposed Garland Development Code (GDC) amendments.*

**4. Regular Item:**

**a. Garland Fire Department Civil Service Employee Retirement Stability Benefit**

*At the request of Mayor Pro Tem Scott LeMay and Council Member Robert Vera, Garland Fire Fighters Association President David Riggs will provide a presentation to Council.*

**b. Update on Special Session of the Texas Legislature**

*At the request of Council Member B.J. Williams and Council Member David Gibbons, the Office of the City Attorney will provide a briefing on the upcoming special session of the Texas Legislature.*

**c. Consider a resolution opposing unworkable revenue caps**

*At the request of Council Member B.J. Williams and Council Member David Gibbons, the City Council is asked to consider a resolution opposing changes in existing revenue cap laws that would adversely impact City operations and the people of Garland.*

**d. Consider a resolution opposing legislation preempting tree mitigation ordinances**

*At the request of Council Member B.J. Williams and Council Member David Gibbons, the City Council is asked to consider a resolution opposing legislation that would preempt local ordinances that require developers to submit and abide by tree mitigation plans before undertaking a development.*

**e. Consider a resolution opposing legislation banning cities from enforcing building codes and charging permit fees**

*At the request of Council Member B.J. Williams and Council Member David Gibbons, the City Council is asked to consider a resolution opposing changes in Texas law that would ban the inspection of buildings during construction and the imposition of permit fees that cover the cost of providing such inspections.*

**5. Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

**Council Member Robert Vera**

- Lori Barnett Dodson - Plan Commission

**Council Member David Gibbons**

- Frank Garcia - Community Multicultural Commission



**6. Announce Future Agenda Items**

*A member of the City Council, with a second by another member, or the Mayor alone, may ask that an item be placed on a future agenda of the City Council or a committee of the City Council. No substantive discussion of that item will take place at this time.*

**7. Adjourn**



## **City Council Work Session Agenda**

**2.a.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** 2017 Capital Improvement Program Budget Amendment No. 1

**Submitted By:** Ron Young, Budget Director

**Council Goal:** Financially Stable Government with Tax Base that Supports Community Needs

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### **ISSUE**

Amend the 2017 Capital Improvement Program to appropriate \$958,614 for the construction of sixteen (16) bridges included in the Bridge Remediation capital project.

### **OPTIONS**

- (A) Approve Capital Improvement Program Budget Amendment No. 1 as proposed.
- (B) Do not approve Capital Improvement Program Budget Amendment No. 1.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Option A - Approve Capital Improvement Program Budget Amendment No. 1 as proposed. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the July 18, 2017 Regular Meeting.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City allocates funding in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for reconstruction and bridge improvements. Through periodic reports supplied by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), staff establishes project priorities and develops construction plans and contracts.

Over the last two years, a construction contract has been developed that includes funding for repairs on sixteen (16) bridges, which are spread throughout the city. Dallas County has previously agreed to contribute up to \$474,120 to the project, which is approximately 50% of the previously estimated cost to repair a portion of the bridges as selected by the County. This amount is \$13,000 more than identified in the 2017 CIP and is due to final negotiations with the county last year.

Construction bids were recently opened and a bid of \$2,808,627 was submitted by Gibson and Associates, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder. The bid amount exceeds the originally projected cost and available funding in the approved 2017 CIP. Staff has had conversations with Dallas County about additional funding and will continue to pursue that option. However, it is uncertain if any additional participation will materialize and Council should not make its

decision based on more funding coming from the County. It is likely to be six months before a final answer from the County is known. Proceeding with the bridge repairs will not preclude County participation.

Due to the nature of the bid, the scope of the project cannot be reduced without re-bidding the project. Staff believes the work should be given a high priority and does not recommend deferring any of the work. Council is requested to authorize an additional \$958,614 for the Bridge Remediation capital project.

### **CONSIDERATION**

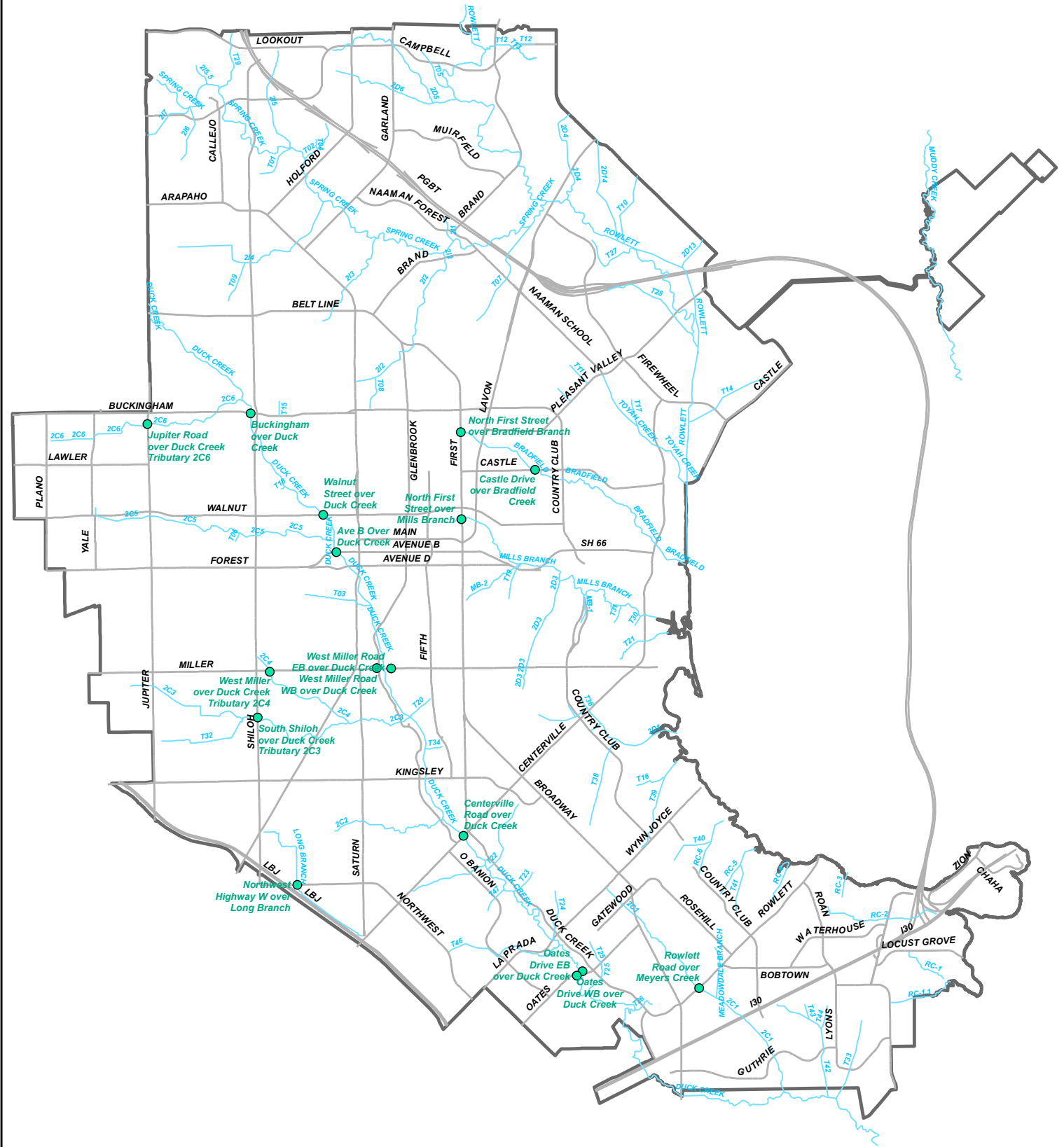
Staff seeks the Council's concurrence for appropriating an additional \$958,614 for the Bridge Remediation capital project. If approved, funding for the entire bid amount of \$2,808,627 will be included on a future agenda. Staff will continue to pursue 50% funding from the County for the additional amount. The City's cash reserves will be used to fund this capital request. A reimbursement certificate will be issued allowing the reserve to be replenished in May 2018 when Certificates of Obligation (COs) are issued to fund this request and the remainder of the 2018 Capital Improvement Program.

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### **Attachments**

Bridge Location Map

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COUNTY DISTRICT 1  
BRIDGE REMEDIATION

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**GARLAND  
CITY COUNCIL ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

**City Council Work Session Agenda**

**3.a.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Process of Selecting Tuckerville Park for Proposed Dog Park

**Submitted By:** Jermel Stevenson, Managing Director

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

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**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

Provide direction to staff in determining next steps for the project.

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**Attachments**

Dog Park Process

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# **GARLAND DOG PARK COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

**CITY OF GARLAND  
07.05.17**



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BACKGROUND ON PROJECT

NEXT STEPS

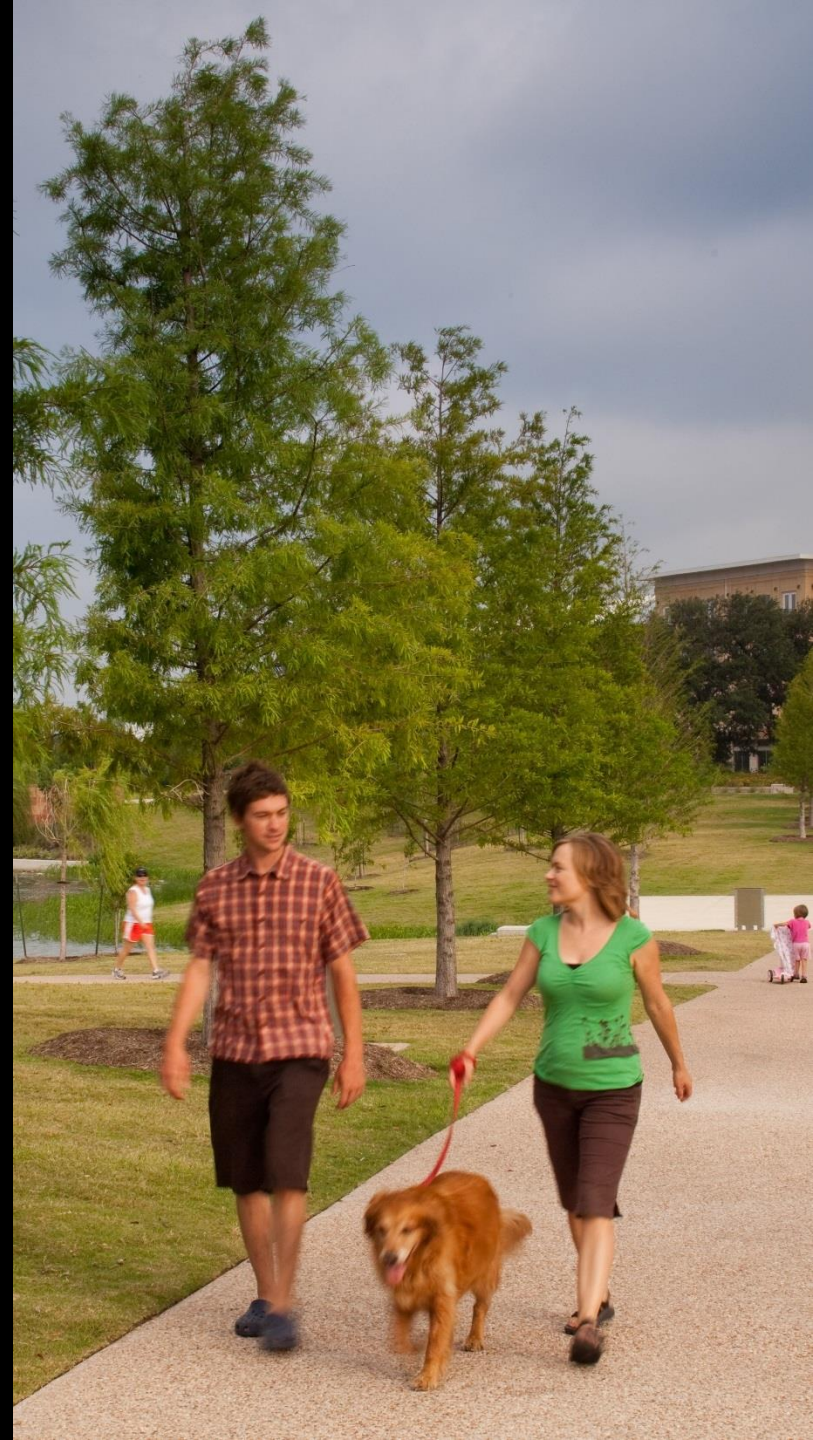


DESIGN TEAM

INTRODUCTIONS

PREVIOUS PARK  
EXPERIENCE

COLLABORATION





OVERVIEW

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMMING

CHARACTERISTICS & FEATURES

OUTCOMES

LOCATION

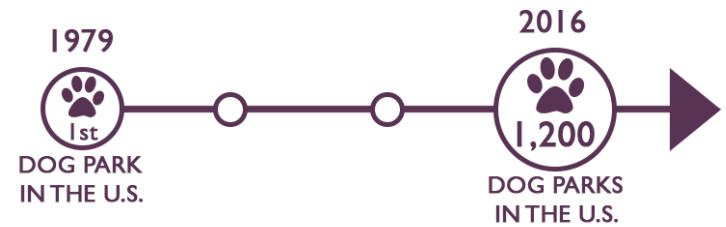
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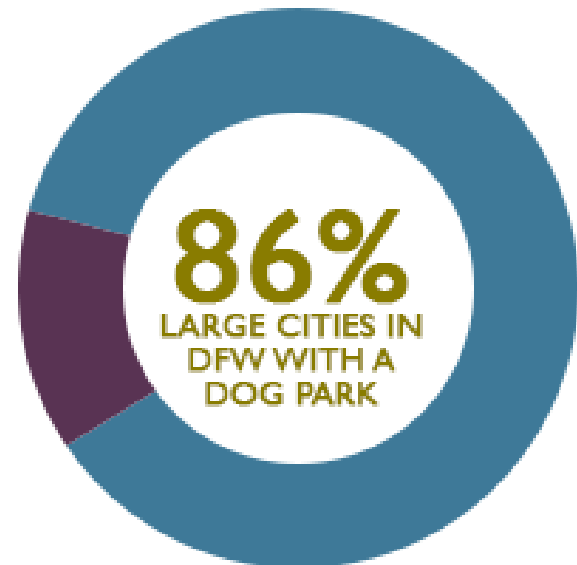
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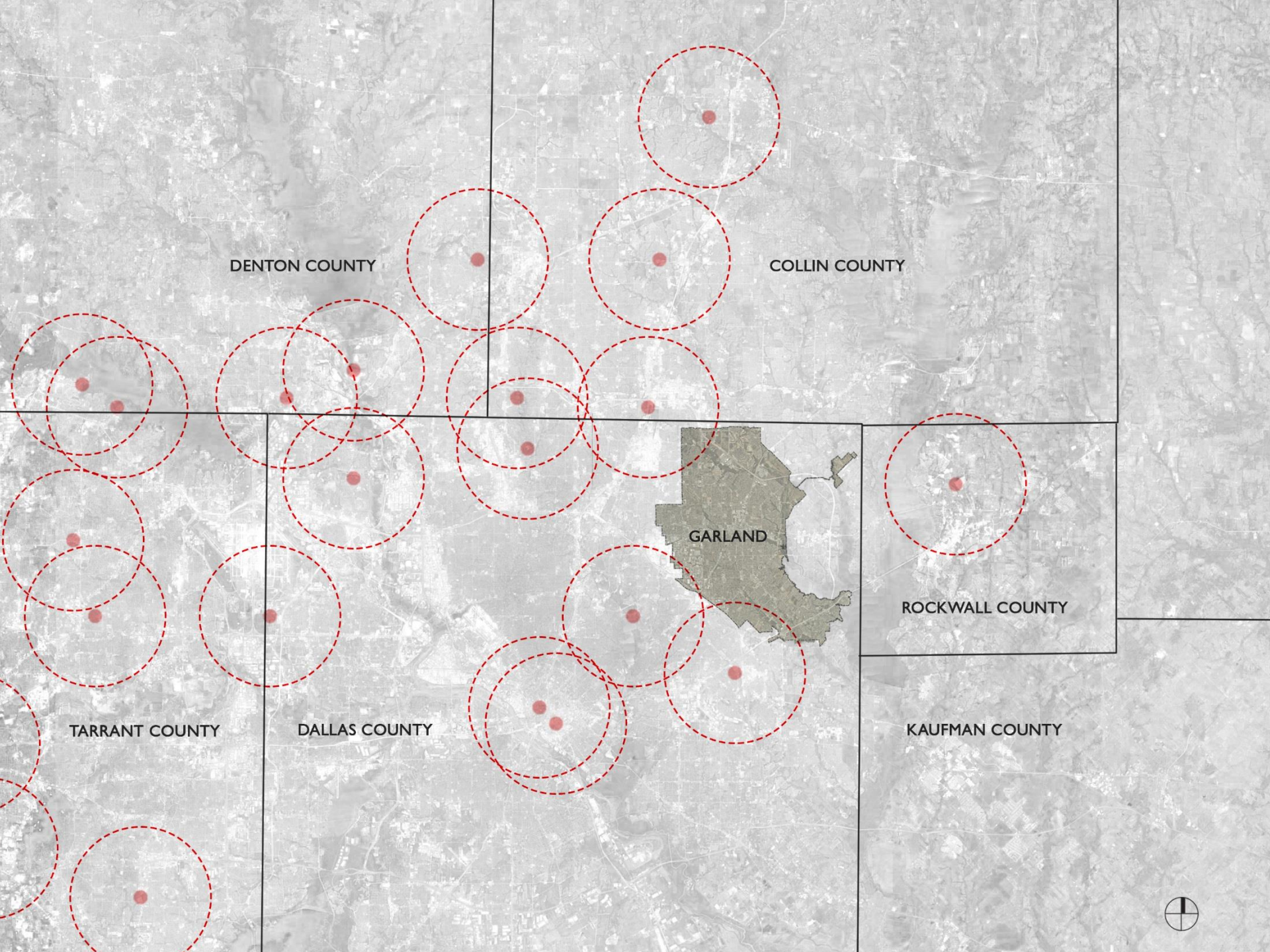


# Dog Facts



## 30+DFW DOG PARKS





DENTON COUNTY

COLLIN COUNTY

GARLAND

ROCKWALL COUNTY

TARRANT COUNTY

DALLAS COUNTY

KAUFMAN COUNTY

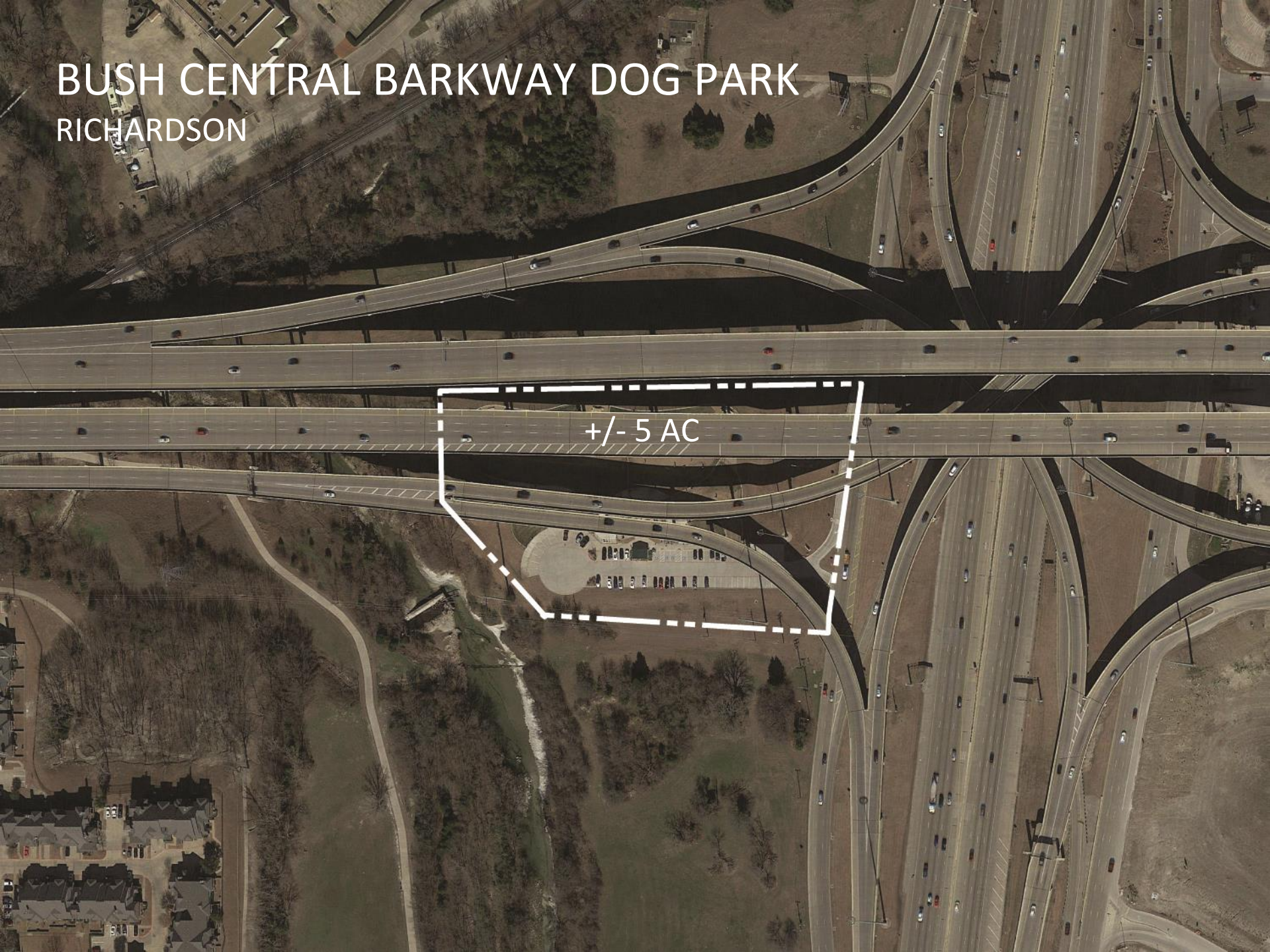




# BUSH CENTRAL BARKWAY DOG PARK

RICHARDSON

+/- 5 AC

An aerial photograph of a complex highway interchange with multiple overpasses and ramps. A white dashed line outlines a rectangular area on one of the highway lanes, with the text '+/- 5 AC' centered within it. The surrounding landscape includes patches of grass, trees, and some residential buildings in the bottom left corner.



# FREEDOM DOG PARK

## TROPHY CLUB

+/- 9 AC





# HOUND MOUND DOG PARK

## FLOWER MOUND

+/- 7 AC

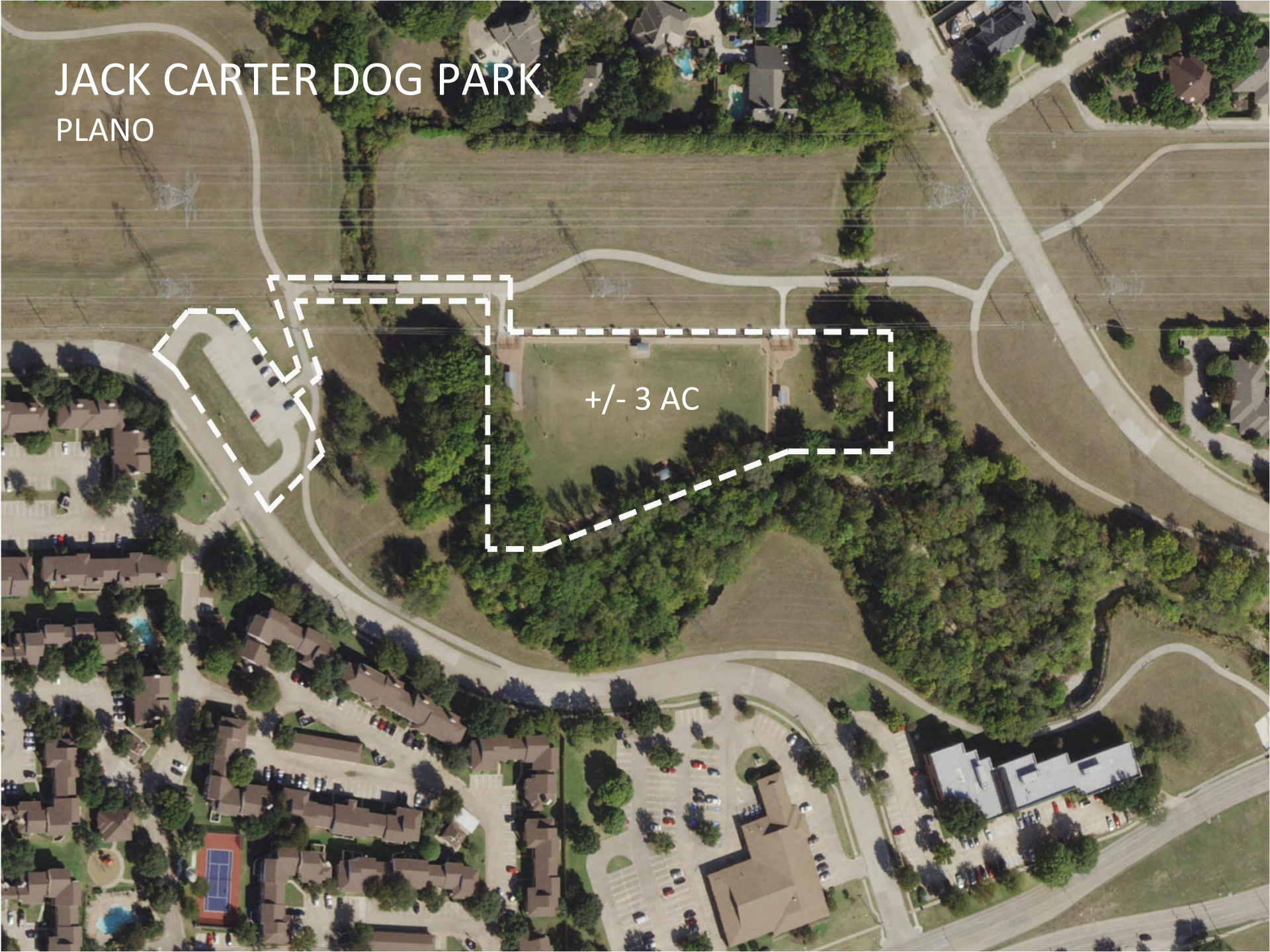




# JACK CARTER DOG PARK

PLANO

+/- 3 AC





# NORTHBARK DOG PARK

## DALLAS

+/- 18 AC





# RAILROAD DOG PARK

LEWISVILLE

+/- 8 AC





# RUFF RANGE DOG PARK

FRISCO

+/- 6 AC





# WAGGING TAIL DOG PARK

DALLAS

+/- 7 AC





WHAT DOES A DOG NEED?





PHYSICAL





COGNITIVE





EMOTIONAL/SOCIAL







OVERVIEW

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMMING

CHARACTERISTICS & FEATURES

OUTCOMES

LOCATION

SURVEY



RUN OFF LEASH





PLAY WITH OTHER DOGS





PLAY



IMAGE SOURCE: FLICKR/VITOR ESTEVES



TRAIN





SOCIAL





RELAX





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ENTRY





OPEN SPACE







AGILITY





KING OF THE HILL



# STANDARD AMENITIES





OVERVIEW

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A SUCCESSFUL VISIT

IMAGE SOURCE: FLICKR/PARKER KNIGHT



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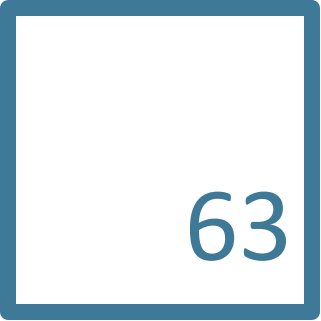
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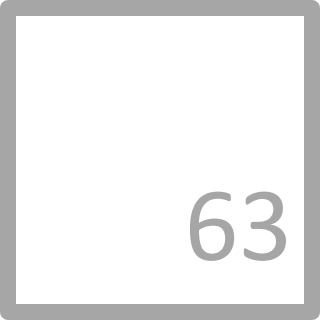




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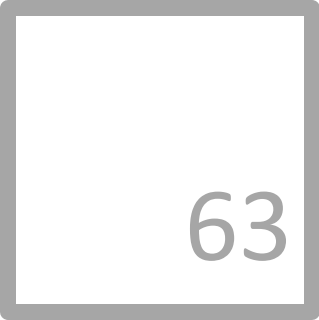


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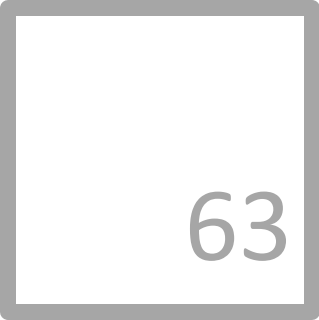


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ADJACENCIES

- SCHOOLS
- DOG PARKS
- NEIGHBORHOODS
- ARTERIAL ROADS





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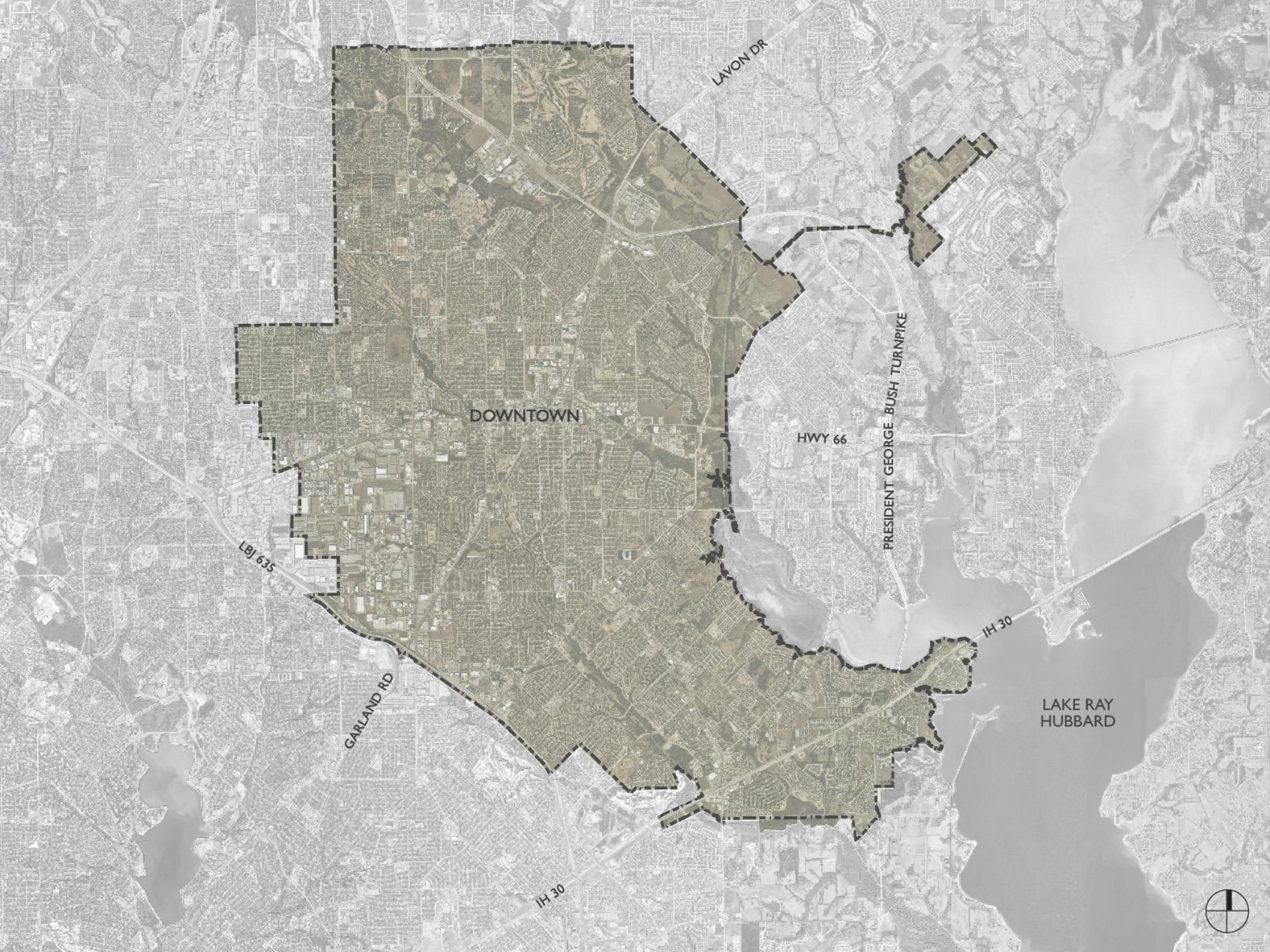
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- CREATE COMMUNITY
- UTILITIES
- ENHANCE PARK SYSTEM



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PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH TURNPIKE

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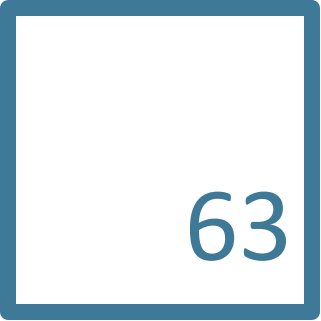
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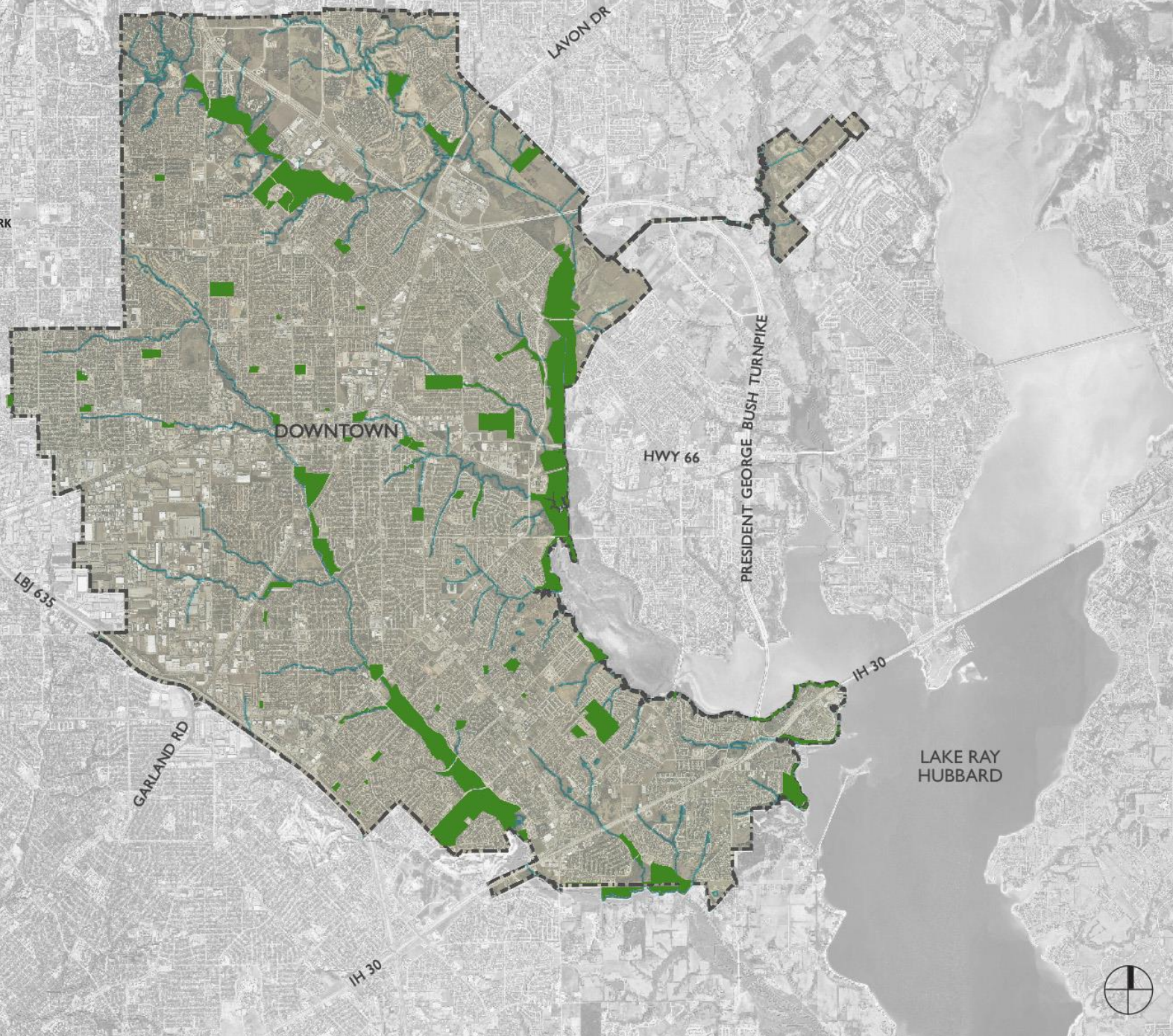




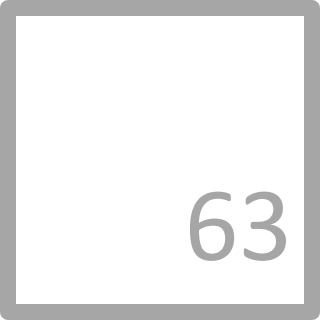
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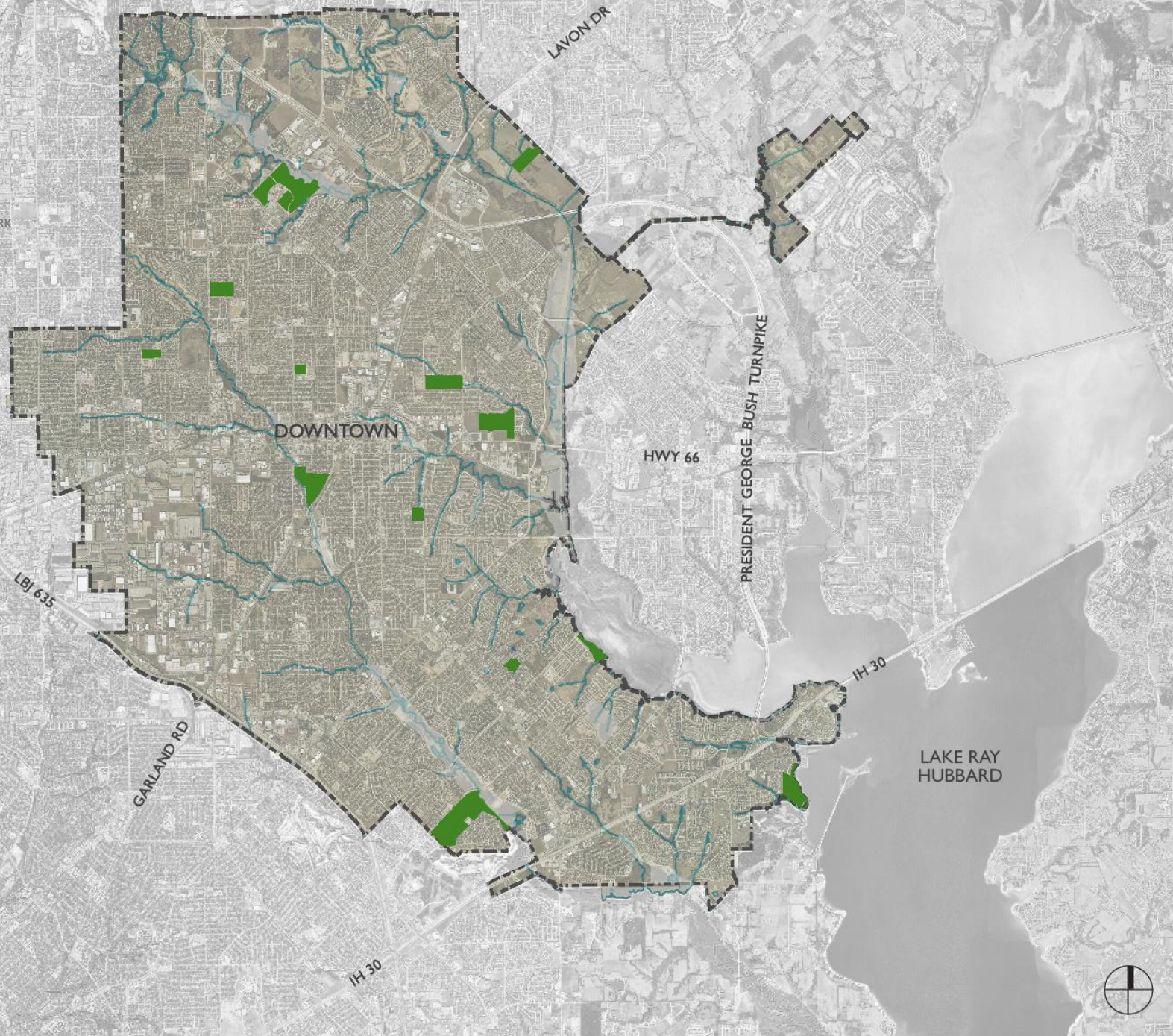


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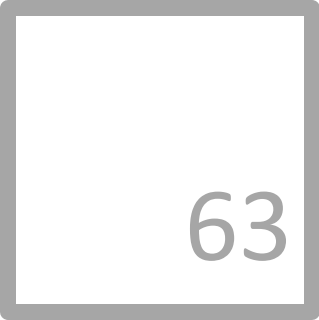
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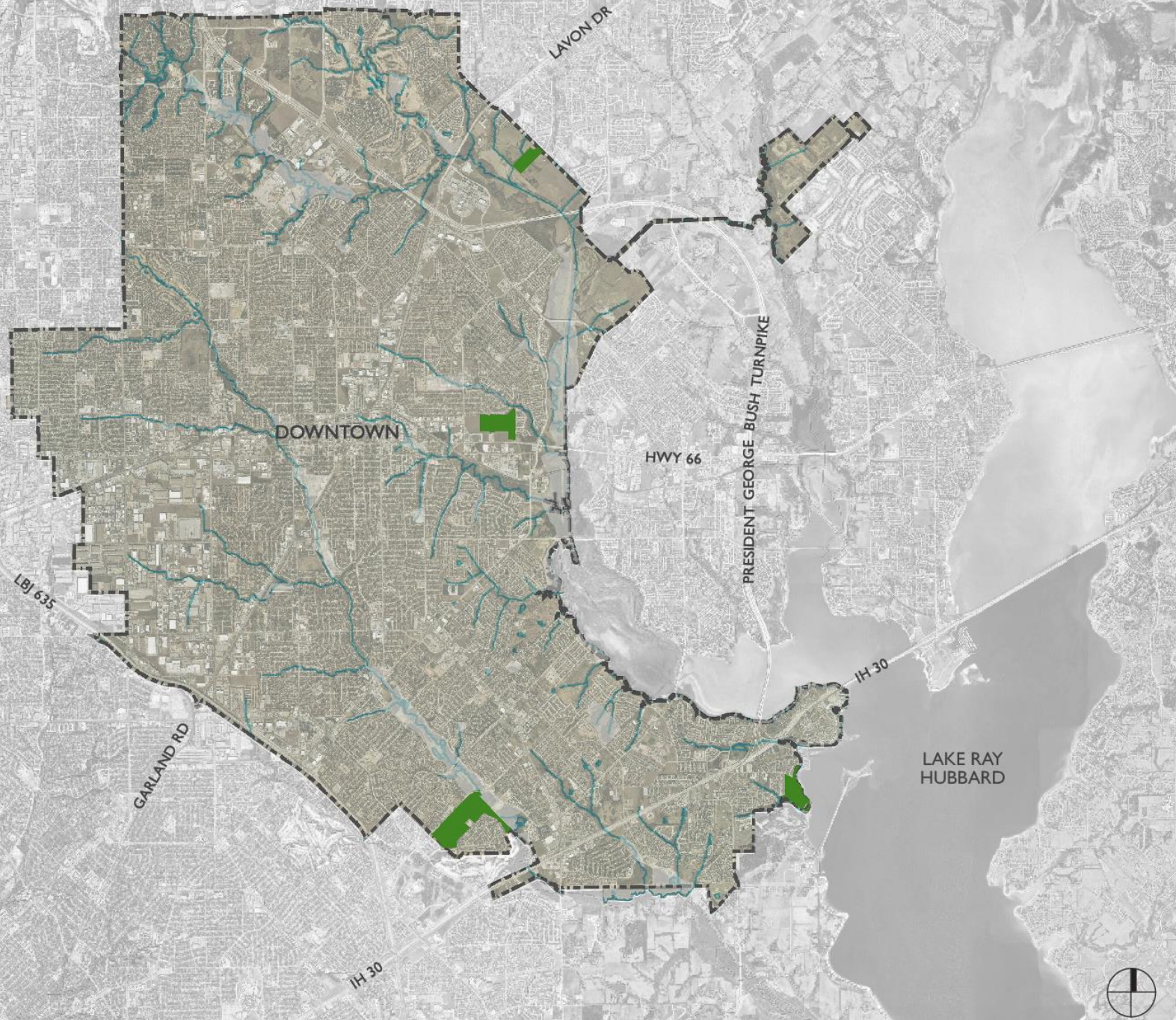


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# PARK SUITABILITY



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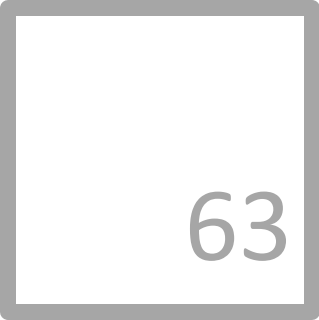


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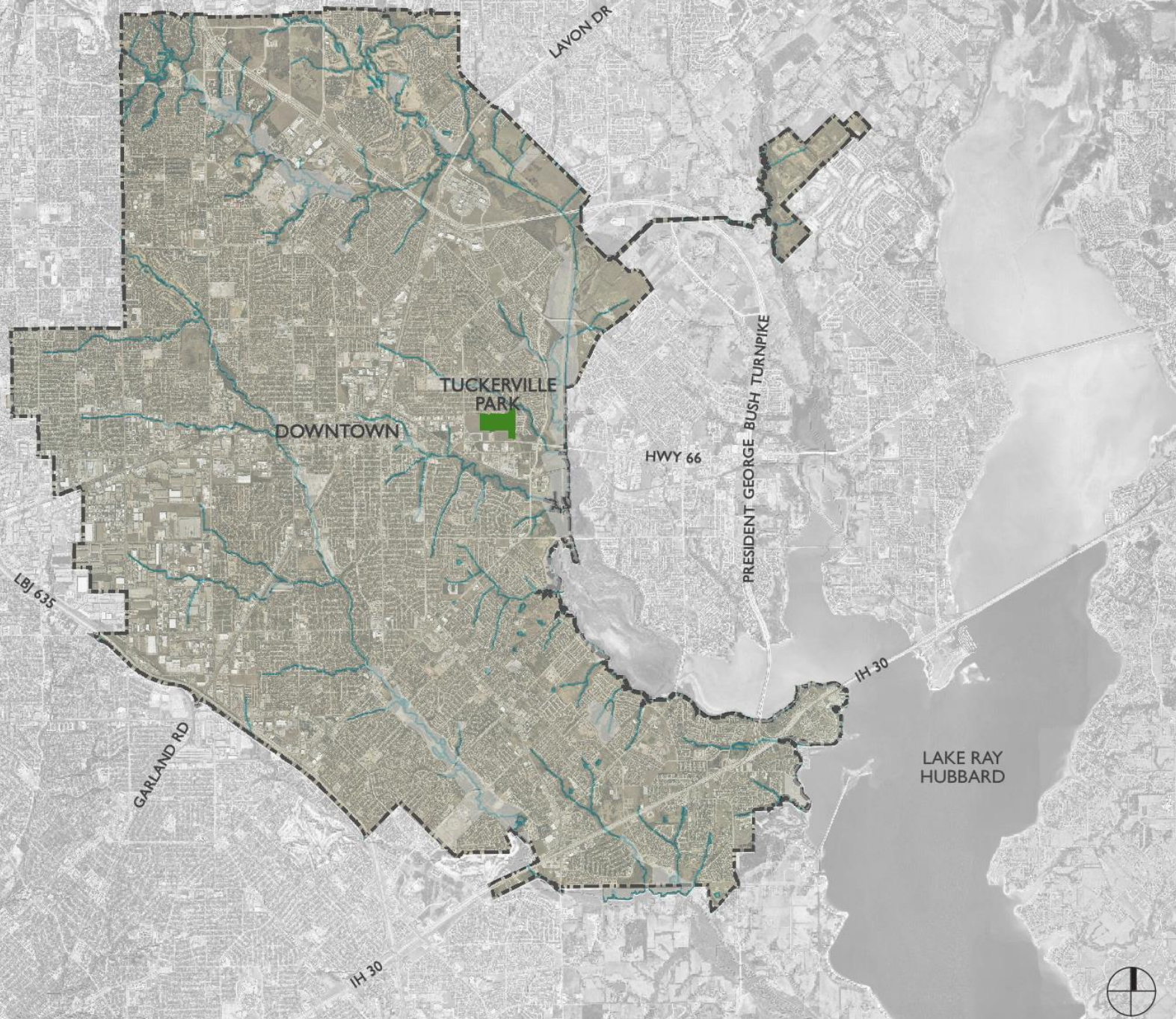


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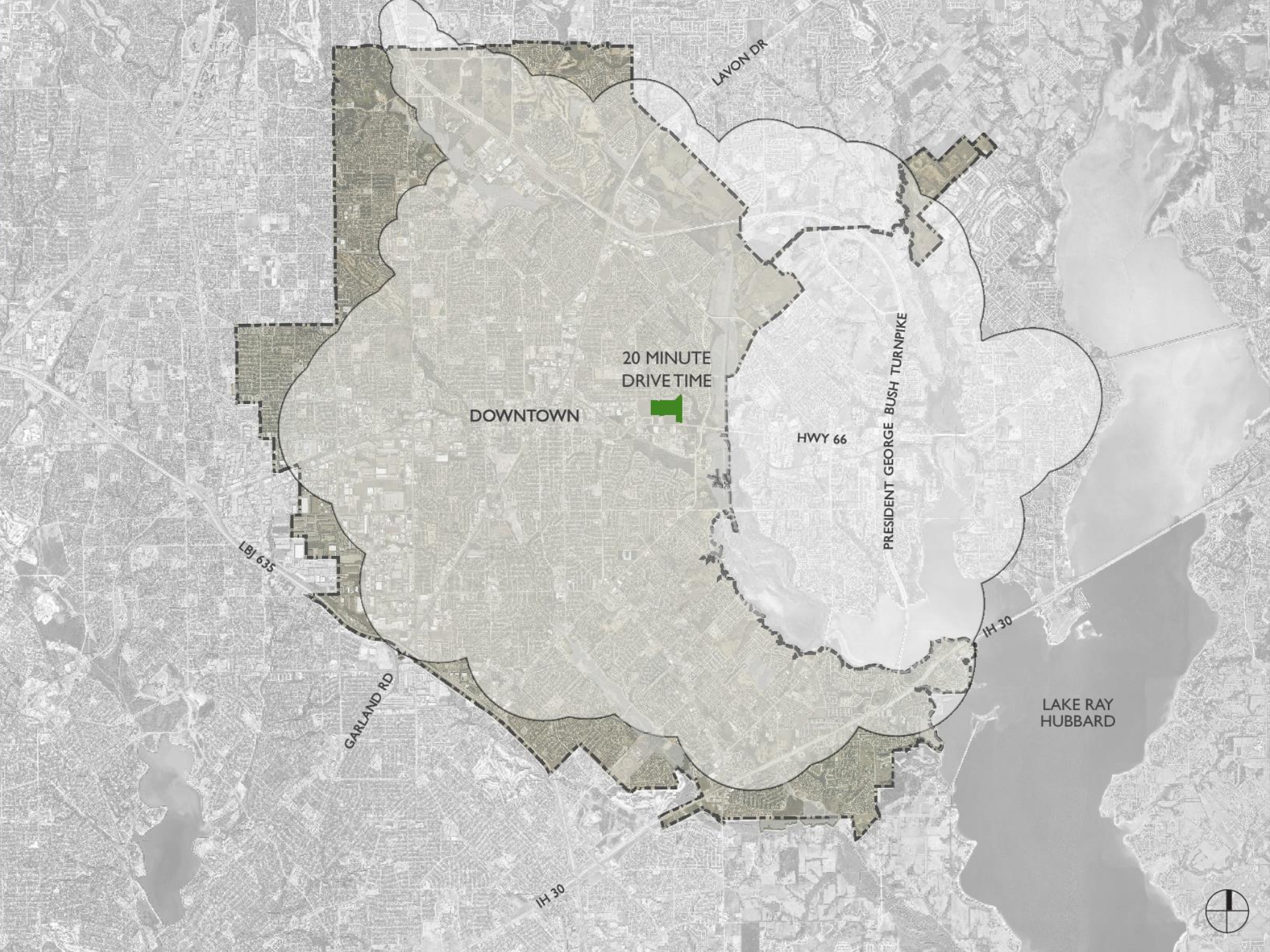
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GRISSOM PARK  
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HALFF PARK  
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HOLFORD PARK  
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HUFF PARK  
INDEPENDENCE PARK  
JAMES PARK  
JOHN PAUL JONES PARK  
KINGSLEY PARK  
LAKE RAY HUBBARD GREEN BELT  
LAKEWOOD SECTION  
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RIVERCREST BRANCH PARK  
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ROSEHILL PARK  
ROWLETT CREEK GREENBELT  
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SPRING CREEK PARK PRESERVE  
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**TUCKERVILLE PARK**  
WATSON PARK  
WHITE PARK  
WINDSURF BAY PARK  
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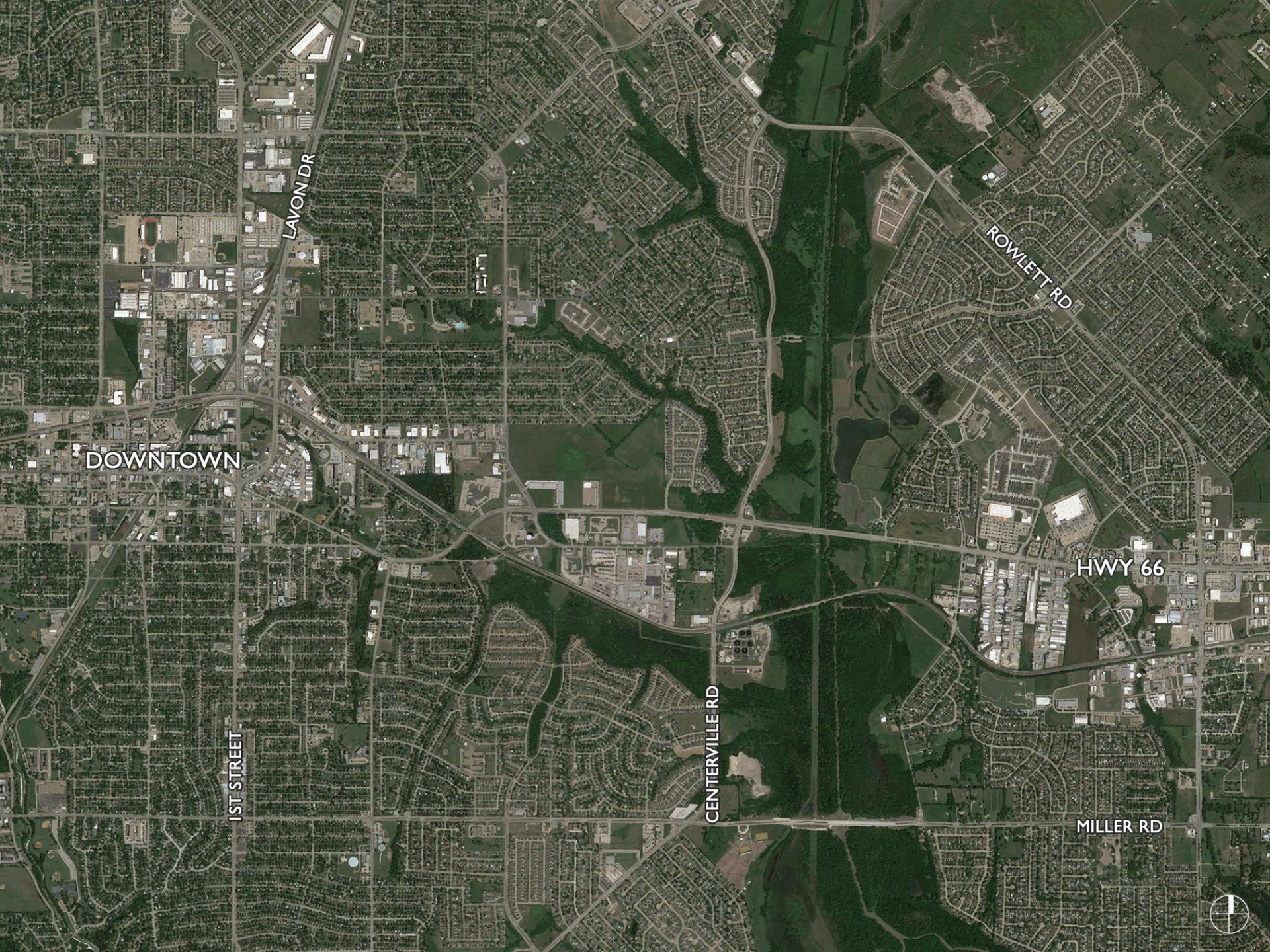
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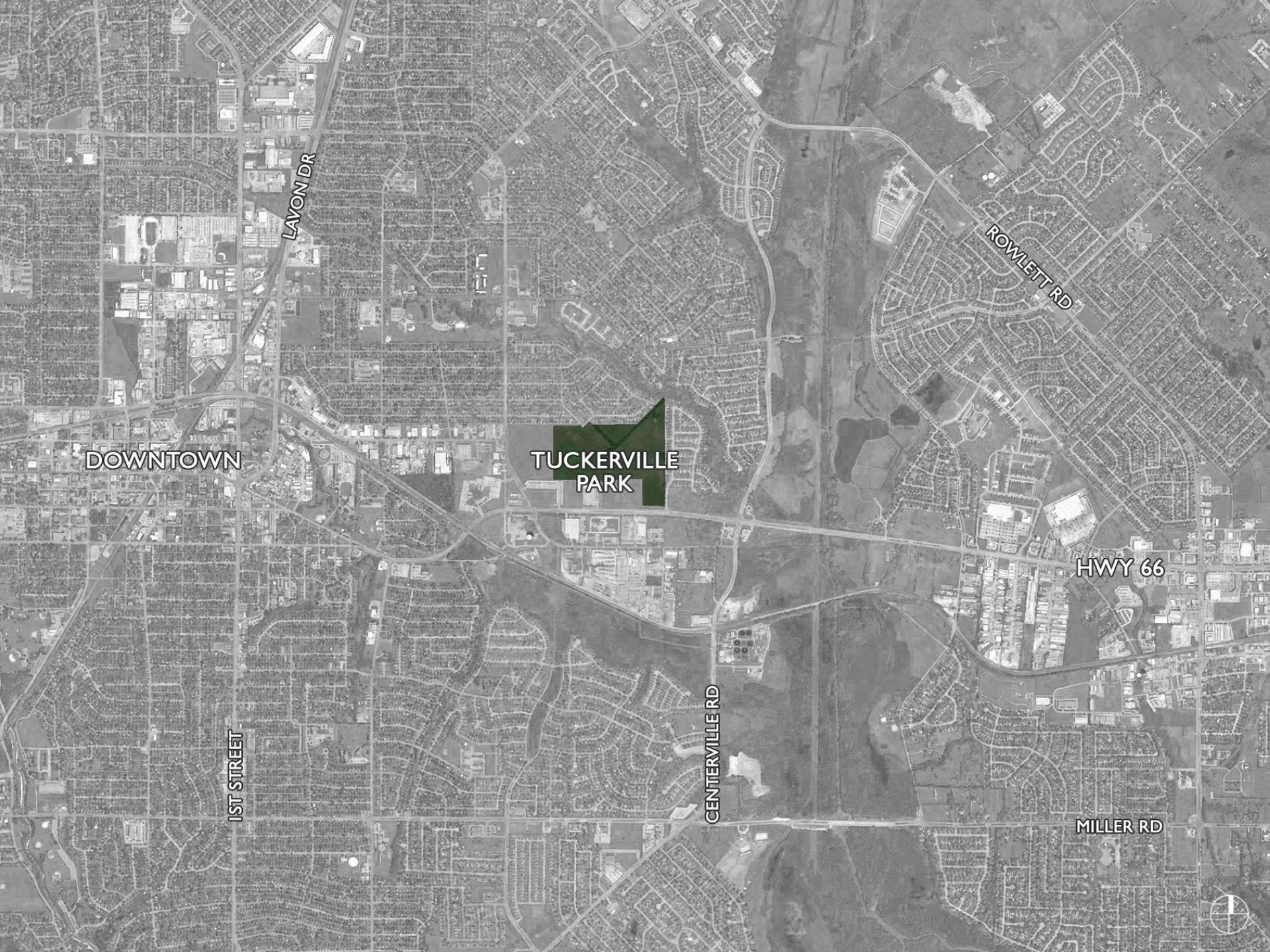
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20 MINUTE WALK

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**DOWNTOWN**

**SHOREHAVEN  
ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL**

**SELLERS  
MIDDLE  
SCHOOL**

**WEAVER  
ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL**

**MT. HEBRON MISSIONARY  
BAPTIST CHURCH**

COUNTRY CLUB RD

**MILANO HAT COMPANY**

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**TUCKERVILLE PARK**

BASSWOOD TRAIL

**HIDDEN FOREST**





OVERVIEW

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMMING

CHARACTERISTICS & FEATURES

OUTCOMES

LOCATION

SURVEY



# SURVEY

13. What are important outcomes for a successful visit? (Select three.)

☐ Please use three to maximize the total value with other items

10. Which dog park do you visit the most frequently?

☐ I do not currently visit dog parks

6. How often do you visit a dog park?

☐ Every day

Thank you for taking the time to complete the dog park programming survey for the City of Garland. We want to know more about interests and preferences for both you and your dog to inform the programming and design process of the first dog park in the city. The survey will take 5 - 10 minutes. Response will be part of the public input process and will be reviewed by city staff and the design team. We appreciate your input!

1. Do you own a dog(s)?

☐ Yes

☐ No

2. If yes, how many do you own?

☐ 1

☐ 2

☐ 3+

3. What breed or mix is your dog(s)?

☐ Hound (i.e. Bassett Hound, Dachshund, Greyhound)

☐ Sporting (i.e. Cocker Spaniel, Golden Retriever, Labrador Retriever)

☐ Terrier (i.e. Bull Terrier, Scottish Terrier)

☐ Working (i.e. Border Collie, Mastiff, Boxer, Husky)

☐ Toy (i.e. Chihuahua, Pekingese, Shih Tzu)

☐ Non-Sporting (i.e. Boston Terrier, Chow Chow, Dalmatian)

☐ Hunting (i.e. Australian Shepherd, Collie, Sheepdog)

☐ Not sure

4. Would you describe your dog(s) as? Select all that apply.

☐ Small dog (<30 pounds)

☐ Large dog (>30 pounds)

5. Would you like to see a dog park in Garland?

☐ Yes

☐ No





**THANK YOU!**



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DOGS

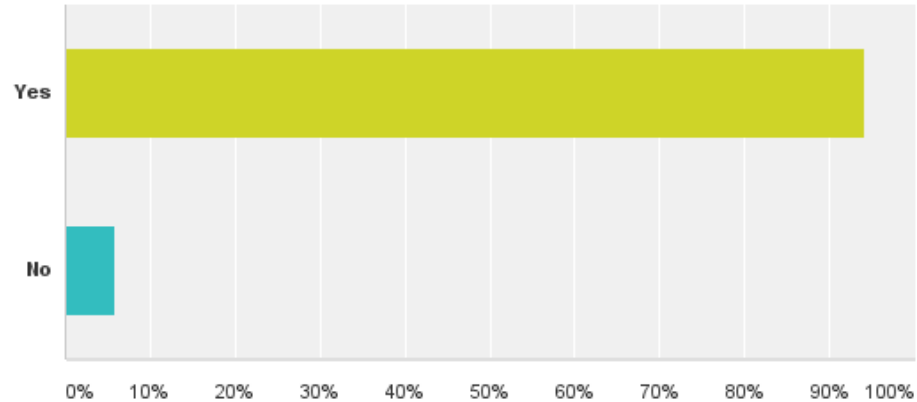
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## Q2 Do you own a dog(s)?

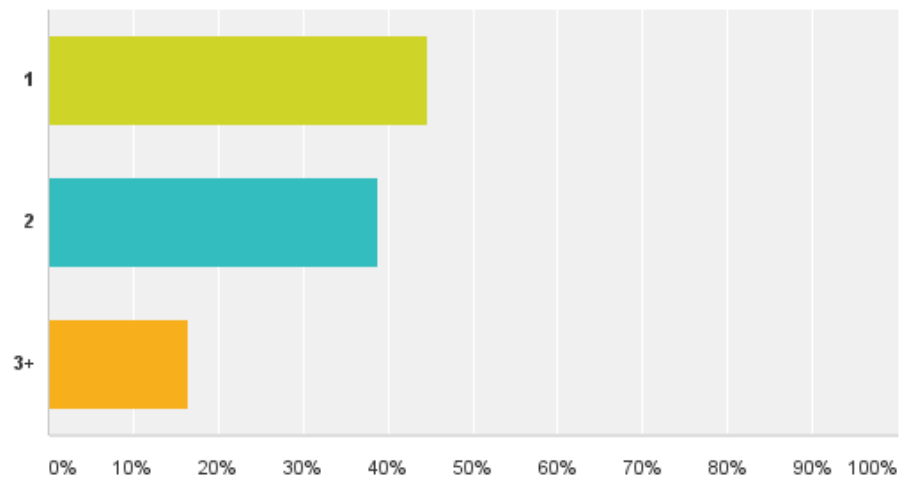
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### Q3 If yes, how many do you own?

Answered: 977 Skipped: 60



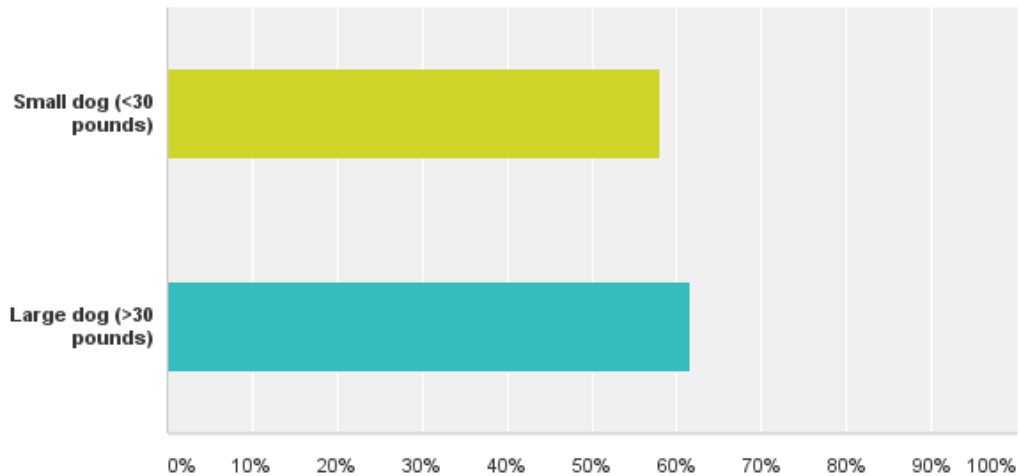
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OWN 2 OR MORE DOGS



**Q4 Would you describe your dog(s) as?  
Select all that apply.**

Answered: 977 Skipped: 60



ABOUT SAME % OF  
SMALL AND LARGE DOGS

DOGS

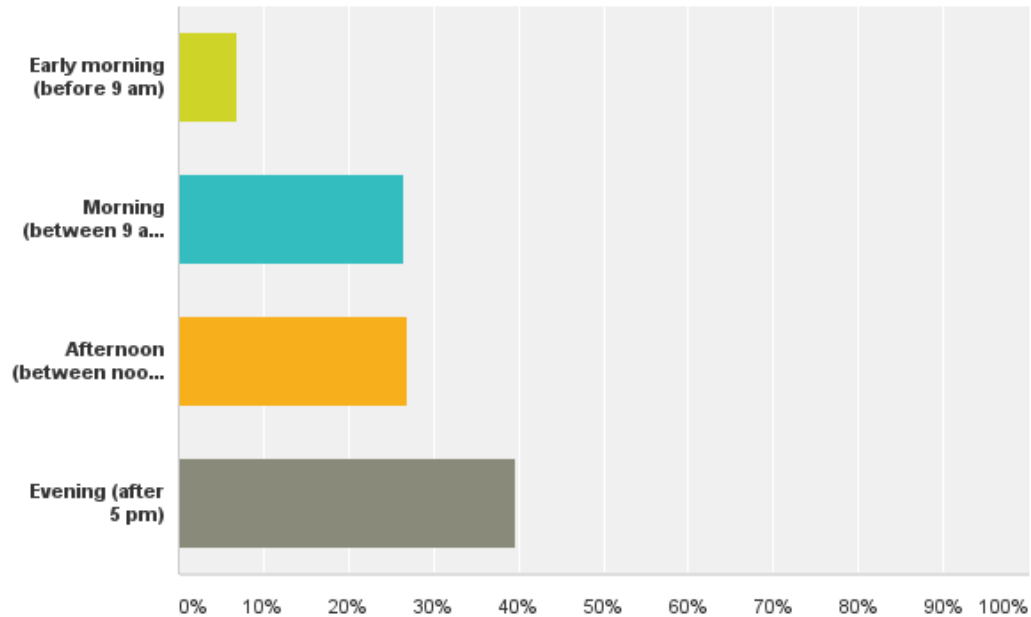
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### Q10 What time of day would you typically visit a dog park?

Answered: 987 Skipped: 50

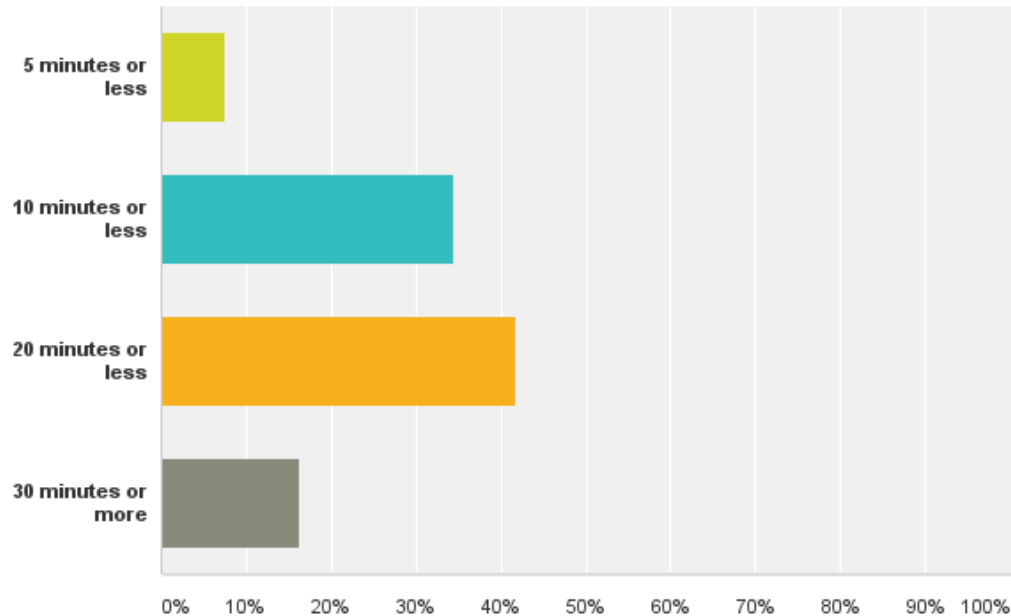


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AFTER 5 PM

### Q9 How long would you typically travel to visit a dog park?

Answered: 987 Skipped: 50



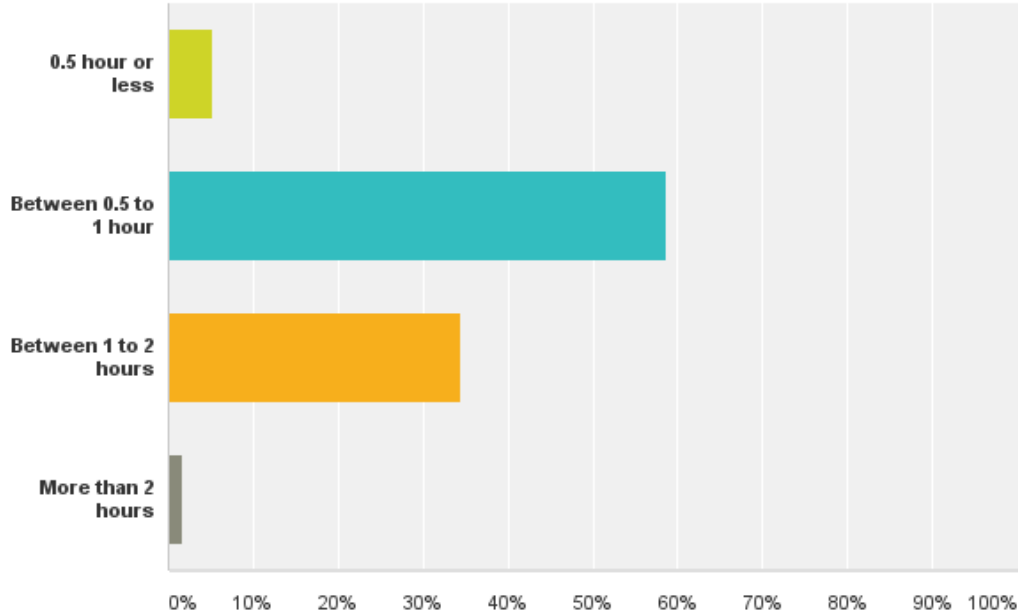
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TRAVEL AT LEAST 20 MINUTES



# Q11 How long do you normally stay at a dog park?

Answered: 942 Skipped: 95



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FOR ½ TO 2 HOURS

DOGS

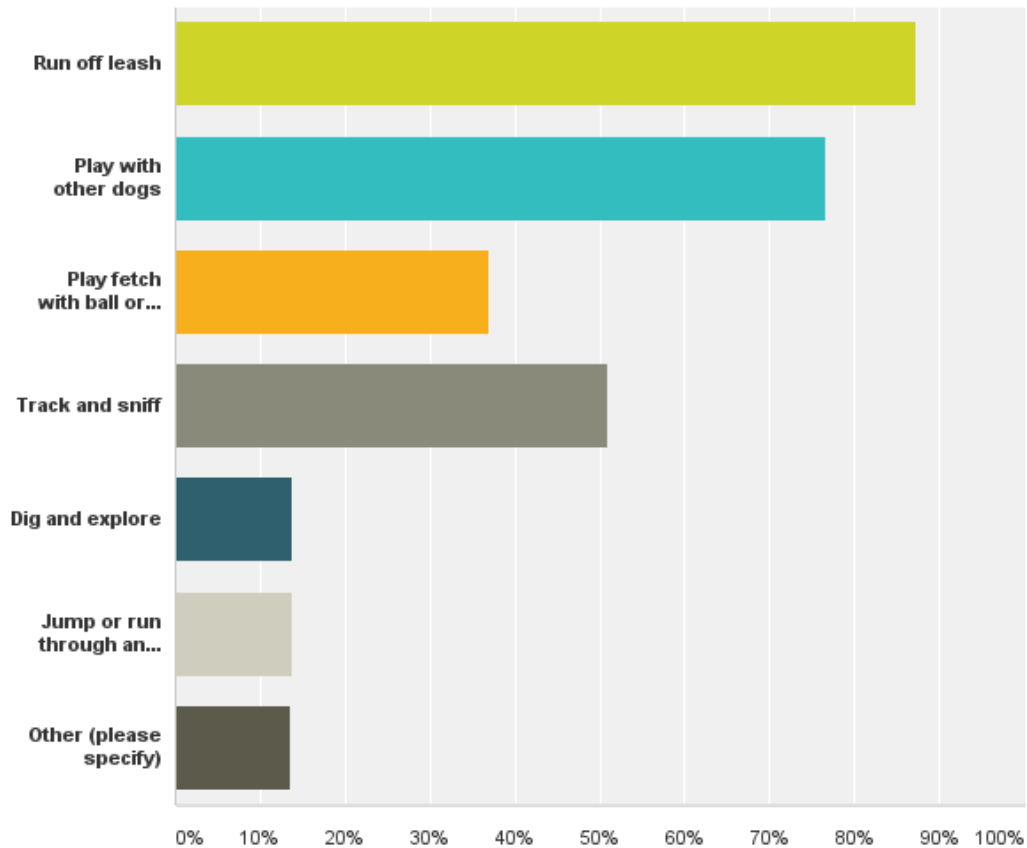
VISIT

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**Q14 What kind of activities does your dog typically do in a dog park? (Select all that apply.)**

Answered: 867 Skipped: 170

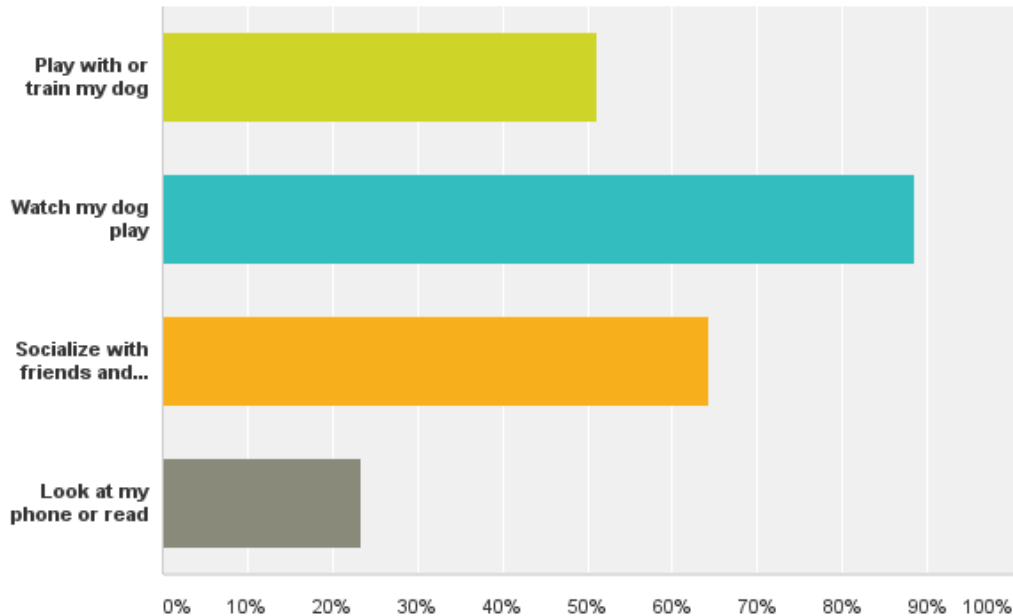


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RUN OFF LEASH

**Q15 What kind of activities do you typically do in a dog park? (Select all that apply.)**

Answered: 882 Skipped: 155



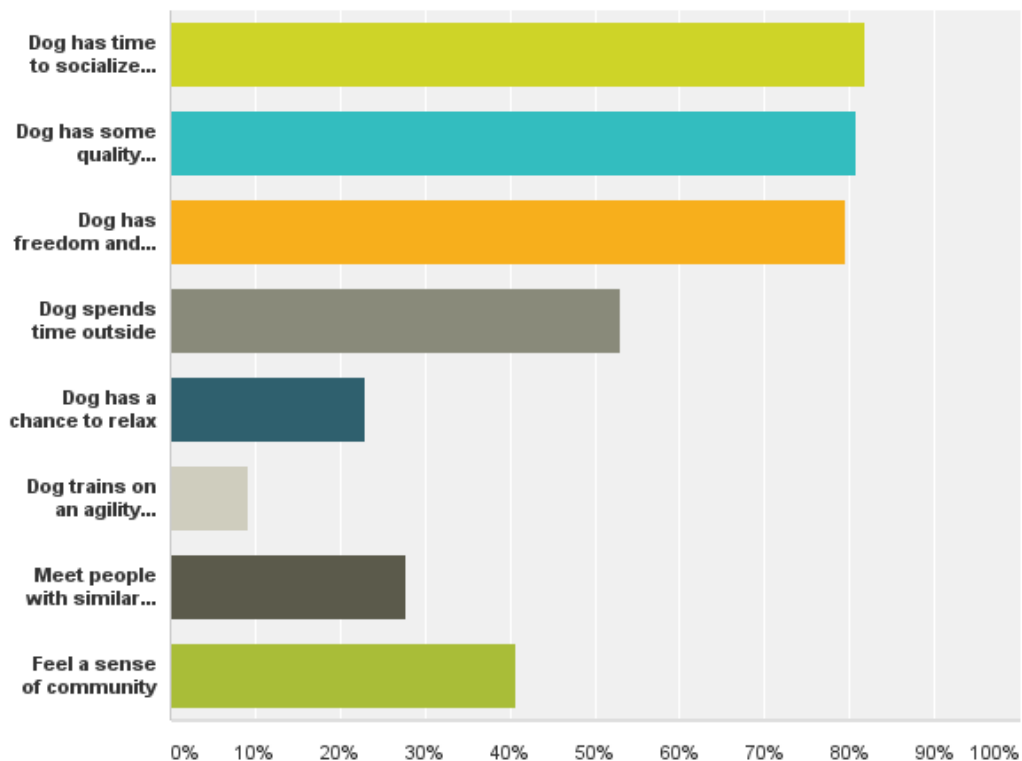
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WATCH MY DOG PLAY



**Q16 What are important outcomes for a successful visit? (Select top three.)**

Answered: 980 Skipped: 57



82%

DOG HAS TIME TO  
SOCIALIZE



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**3.b.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Report of NLC Summer Board & Leadership Meeting

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

Per Council policy, Council Member B.J. Williams will provide a brief report of highlights from the NLC Summer Board and Leadership (Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee) meeting.

**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

Council discussion.

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**3.c.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Garland Development Code (GDC) amendments

**Submitted By:** Will Guerin, Planning Director

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

Staff will provide a briefing to the City Council on proposed Garland Development Code (GDC) amendments including:

1. Special standards for self-storage facilities to eliminate requirement for on-premise permanent manager's residence.
2. Amendment to Downtown Land Use Matrix, In-Town Residential subdistrict to allow office, personal services, antique shops, studios, arts/crafts studio, fitness or performing arts, and retail sales.

**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

The proposed GDC amendments are included on the City Council's July 5 Regular Agenda for formal consideration and action. Should the amendments need further discussion or changes, the Council has the option to postpone to a later date.

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**4.a.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Garland Fire Department Civil Service Employee Retirement Stability Benefit

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

At the request of Mayor Pro Tem Scott LeMay and Council Member Robert Vera, Garland Fire Fighters Association President David Riggs will provide a presentation to Council.

**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

Council discussion and direction to staff.

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**Attachments**

Civil Service Retirement Stabilization Fund

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# Garland Fire Fighters Association

Wage and Benefits Committee

GFD Civil Service Employee Retirement  
Stability Benefit

GFD Civil Service  
Retirement Stability Benefit

- Purpose -

To minimize the inequity that exists between the GFD Civil Service Employees and General Schedule Employees, as well as, peer city fire departments.

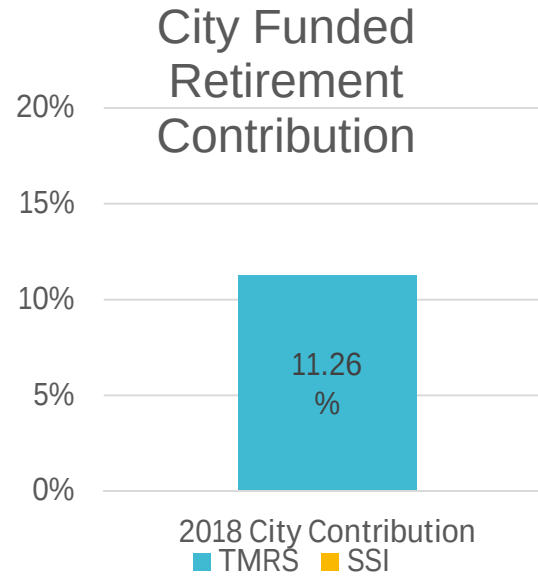


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Retirement Stability Benefit

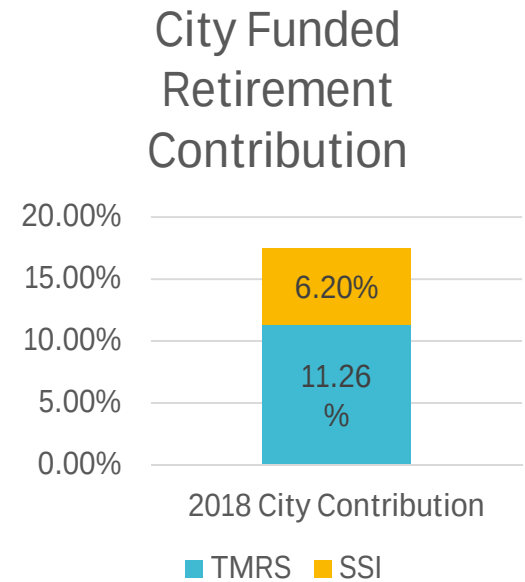
- **Employee Categories:**
  - Fire Civil Service Employees
  - General Schedule

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Retirement Stability Benefit

Fire Civil Service  
Employee



General Schedule  
Employee





GFD Civil Service  
Retirement Stability Benefit

## External Comparison

- Garland evaluates the wages and benefits packages of 12 cities, populations greater than 100,000, to make sure Garland is offering a competitive wage and benefit package.
- The goal is to attract and retain quality personnel.

- Peer City List

- Dallas
  - Ft. Worth
  - Arlington
  - Plano
  - Irving
  - Mesquite

- Carrollton
  - Grand Prairie
  - Richardson
  - McKinney
  - Frisco
  - Lewisville

## Peer City Supplemental Plans

**ALL** peer cities participating in TMRS, and not in Social Security, **HAVE** a **CITY CONTRIBUTED SUPPLEMENTAL** retirement plan.



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## City of Garland Budgetary Savings

- Social Security Savings per Fire Civil Service Employee (Firefighter Rank)
  - $SSI = (\$73,710 \times 6.2\%) \times 30 \text{ years of service}$
  - $SSI = \$137,100.60 \text{ in savings over a 30 year career}$

GFD Civil Service  
Retirement Stability Benefit

## City of Garland Budgetary Savings

- Social Security Savings for the GFD for 1 year
  - SSI = \$22,203,232 (2017 Fire Civil Service Salaries) x 6.2%
  - SSI = \$1,376,600.38 in savings, for 1 year, by Fire Civil Service not partaking in Social Security



# Proposed Solution

- ✓ GFD Civil Service Retirement Stability Benefit
  - A 457(b) match program

GFD Civil Service  
Retirement Stability Benefit

## 457 (b) - Benefits

- The 457 (b) program already exists in Garland (employee only contributions)
- This 457 (b) match plan is less expensive (48.39% of the cost) than the Social Security benefit being received by General Schedule Employees



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Retirement Stability Benefit

## Plan Details

- Employee Options
  - This would be a voluntary retirement benefit plan for Fire Civil Service Employees
  - Each employee could decide either to, or not to, participate in the GFD Civil Service Retirement Stability Benefit

GFD Civil Service  
Retirement Stability Benefit

## Plan Requirements

- Employee Requirements
  - GFD Civil Service Employees **MUST** contribute at least 4% of their gross salary into the city sponsored 457(b) plan to be eligible for the match
- City Match Requirements
  - The City will match at a rate of 3%
- TOTAL Plan Contribution (Gross Salary)
  - Employee Contribution (minimum)  
4%
  - City Match  
3%
  - Total Contribution  
7%



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Retirement Stability Benefit

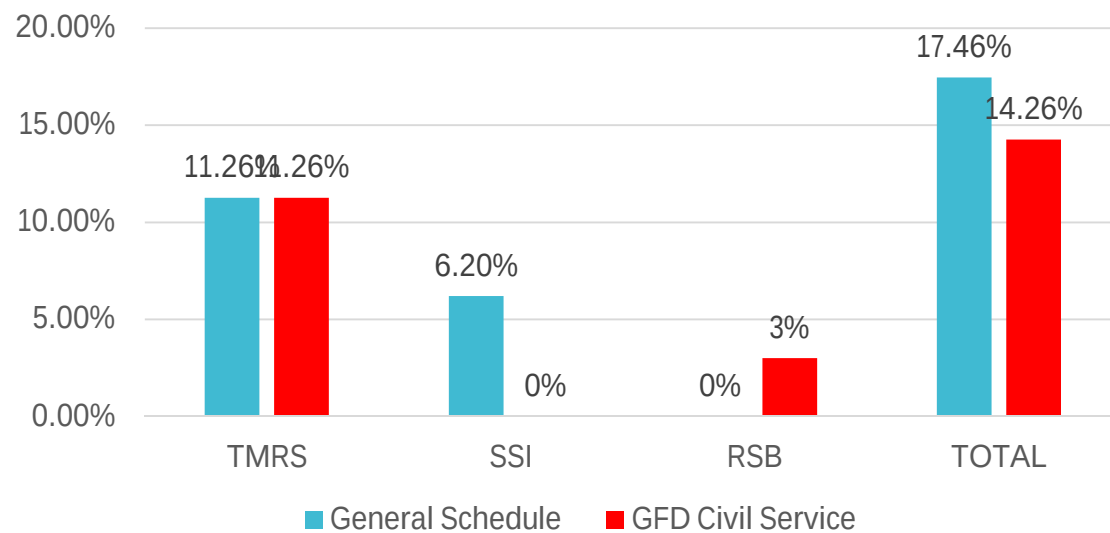
## Plan Recommendations

- Employee Eligibility
  - GFD Civil Service employees who have completed their probationary period
- Vesting
  - Employees that participate in this program will be immediately vested

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Retirement Stability Benefit

## Retirement Benefit Comparison (Internal) w/ GFD Civil Service Retirement Stability Benefit (RSB)

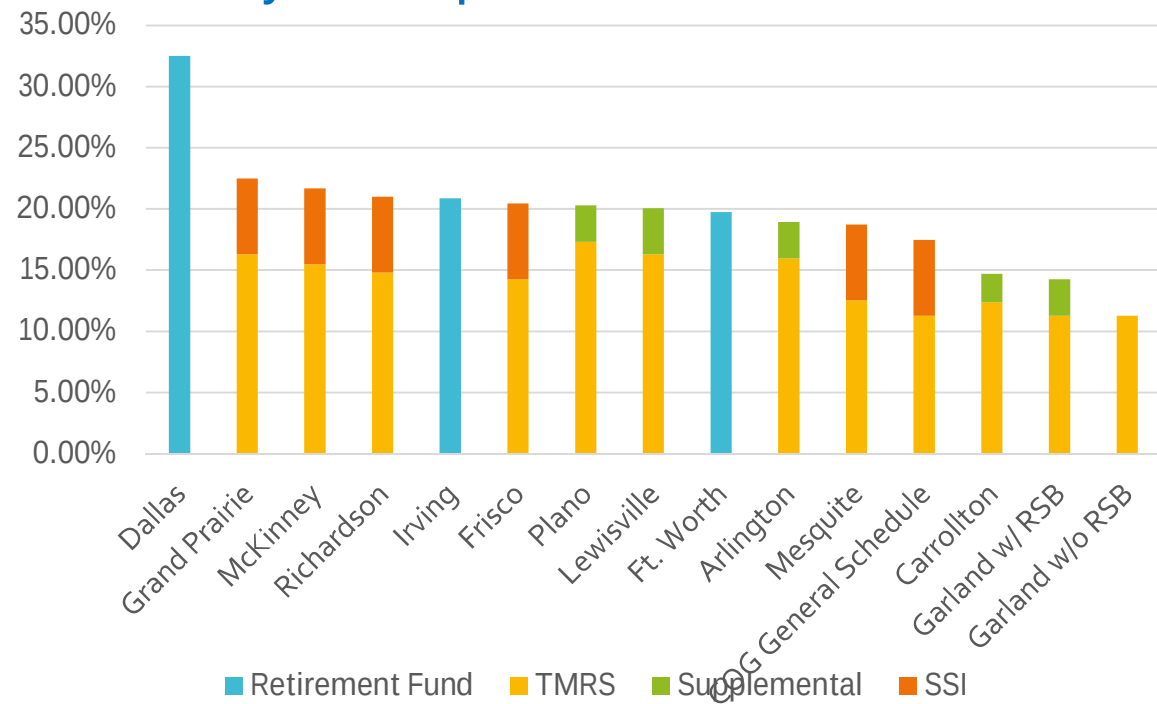
### City Contributions





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Retirement Stability Benefit

Peer City Fire Department Contributions - 2018



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Retirement Stability Benefit

## Peer City Fire Department Contributions - 2018

| City              | Self Retirement | TMRS   | SSI  | Supplemental |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------|------|--------------|
| Dallas            | 32.5%           |        |      |              |
| Grand Prairie     |                 | 16.3%  | 6.2% |              |
| McKinney          |                 | 15.49% | 6.2% |              |
| Richardson        |                 | 15%    | 6.2% |              |
| Irving            | 20.88%          |        |      |              |
| Frisco            |                 | 14.26% | 6.2% |              |
| Plano             |                 | 17.3%  |      | 3%           |
| Lewisville        |                 | 16.29% |      | 3.76%        |
| Ft. Worth         | 19.74%          |        |      |              |
| Arlington         |                 | 15.94% |      | 3%           |
| Mesquite          |                 | 12.53% | 6.2% |              |
| COG Gen. Schedule |                 | 11.26% | 6.2% |              |
| Carrollton        |                 | 12.38% |      | 2.32%        |
| COG Fire w/RSB    |                 | 11.26% |      | 3%           |
| COG Fire          |                 | 11.26% |      |              |



GFD Civil Service  
Retirement Stability Benefit

## Projected Program Cost

- \*Based on 100% participation

|                         | FIRE                |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 2017 Payroll            | \$22,203,232        |
| 457 Contributions (3%)  | \$666,096.96        |
| 30 Day Fund Requirement | \$54,747.70         |
| <b>PLAN COST</b>        | <b>\$720,844.66</b> |

\* Currently only 78.4% of Fire Civil Service personnel participate in the 457(b) program

## History of RSB

- 2011 - RSB presented to city staff with no action taken
- 2012 - RSB presented to City Council, referred to administrative services committee
- 2013 - Staff stated City Council direction would be needed for RSB to be implemented in COG budget
- 2014 - GFFA asked Garland City Council to provide direction to city staff that RSB would be added to FY2015 budget
- 2015 - No pursuit for RSB due to increase in Education & Certification pay
- 2016 - No pursuit by GFFA to allow for room in budget for PPE equipment for first responders
- 2017 - GFFA is asking for City Council to provide direction to staff to add the RSB to the FY2018 Budget



GFD Civil Service  
Retirement Stability Benefit

- Per COG Directive 4 - *“Establish compensation levels for positions on the basis of their relative internal worth and external competitiveness within relevant markets.”*

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Retirement Stability Benefit

## In Closing

- The Garland Fire Fighters Association stands ready to work with City Council and Staff to implement the Fire Civil Service Retirement Stability Benefit.





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**4.b.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Update on Special Session of the Texas Legislature

**Submitted By:** Brad Neighbor, City Attorney

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

At the request of Councilmembers Williams and Gibbons, the Office of the City Attorney will provide a briefing on the upcoming special session of the Texas Legislature.

**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

Governor Abbott has called a special session of the Texas Legislature that will begin on July 18, 2017. Under Texas law, a governor may specify items that must be considered during the special session. Governor Abbott has announced that twenty-four categories of items that will be taken up during the special session. Among those are matters that will or may directly affect City operations including revenue cap proposals, "property tax reform", preemption of anti-clear cutting ordinances, building code and municipal permitting process preemption, and some sort of state-wide texting while driving ban to replace what is already in place.

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**4.c.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Consider a resolution opposing unworkable revenue caps

**Submitted By:** Brad Neighbor, City Attorney

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

At the request of Councilmembers Williams and Gibbons, the City Council is asked to consider a resolution opposing changes in existing revenue cap laws that would adversely impact City operations and the people of Garland.

**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

Governor Abbott has called a special session of the Texas Legislature to consider, among other matters, revenue caps and "property tax reform" legislation. Current Texas law already regulates the method through which cities may impose taxes or increase revenues. What is known as the "rollback rate" curtails tax increases that exceed certain rates. By lowering those rates artificially, cities could be forced into holding mandatory rollback elections (at a cost of upwards to \$200,000) even if the citizens do not object to the tax rate.

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**4.d.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Consider a resolution opposing legislation preempting tree mitigation ordinances

**Submitted By:** Brad Neighbor, City Attorney

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

At the request of Councilmembers Williams and Gibbons, the City Council is asked to consider a resolution opposing legislation that would preempt local ordinances that require developers to submit and abide by tree mitigation plans before undertaking a development.

**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

Governor Abbott has called a special session of the Texas Legislature to consider, among other matters, legislation that would preempt local tree mitigation ordinances. Many cities, Garland included, have some form of anti-clear cutting ordinances that require developers to mitigate the adverse impact of tree removal rather than simply clear-cutting tracts of land during the development process.

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**4.e.**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Consider a resolution opposing legislation banning cities from enforcing building codes and charging permit fees

**Submitted By:** Brad Neighbor, City Attorney

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**Summary of Request/Problem**

At the request of Councilmembers Williams and Gibbons, the City Council is asked to consider a resolution opposing changes in Texas law that would ban the inspection of buildings during construction and the imposition of permit fees that cover the cost of providing such inspections.

**Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification**

Governor Abbott has called a special session of the Texas Legislature to consider, among other matters, two items that may impact the ability of Texas cities to regulate building construction. One of those items relates to legislation that would "prevent [cities] from changing rules midway through construction projects". The other relates to "speeding up the local government permitting process". No specifics of any proposed legislation is yet available. Existing law already provides for project "vesting" (meaning the rules in place at the beginning of a project stay in place). The Garland permitting process is already quick.

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**GARLAND**

## **City Council Work Session Agenda**

**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Boards & Commission Appointment

**Submitted By:** Elisa Morales, Management Services Coordinator , Administration

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### **Summary:**

#### **Council Member Robert Vera**

- Lori Barnett Dodson - Plan Commission
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### **Attachments**

Lori Barnett Dodson - Plan Commission

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## Application for City of Garland Boards/Commissions/Committees

Return completed application to: City Secretary's Office, 200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas 75040

Please Type or Print Clearly:

Date: June 1, 2017

Name: Lori Barnett Dodson

Phone: ON FILE

(Home)

Address: 2501 Lakeside Drive

Phone: ON FILE

(Other)

City, State, Zip: Garland, Texas 75042

Email: ON FILE

Resident of Garland for 53 years Resident of Texas for 53 years

Dallas County Voter Registration Number ON FILE Garland City Council District Number 6 ✓

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you ever been convicted of a Class A misdemeanor? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Please list any experience that qualifies you to serve in the areas you have indicated.

Over 30 years in the real estate development and real estate investment field

If you have previously served on a City Board or Commission, please specify and list dates of service.

2006-2011 Plan Commission; 2011-2017 City Council

List civic or community endeavors with which you have been involved.

Senior Source 2004-present

What is your educational background?

BBA-Accounting

What is your occupational experience?

VP Investment Management

I hereby affirm that all statements herein are true and correct.

Board or Commission of first, second, and third choice:

|                                                                                     |                                                           |                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Adjustment                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Garland Cultural Arts Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks and Recreation Board          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building and Fire Codes Board                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Garland Youth Council **         | <input type="checkbox"/> Plan Commission *                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Citizens Environmental and Neighborhood Advisory Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Property Standards Board         | <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing and Mechanical Codes Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Multicultural Commission                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Library Board                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizens Advisory Committee  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical Board                                           |                                                           |                                                              |

\* Plan Commission members must live in district \*\* Garland Youth Council has a separate application

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Current

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CSO Suit/Claim Filed  
Clerk Signature & Date

Yes

No

Date Notified

Disclosure Form Filed

Revised 03/2017

*Lori Barnett Dodson*  
6/20/17



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**Meeting Date:** July 5, 2017

**Item Title:** Boards & Commission Appointment

**Submitted By:** Elisa Morales, Management Services Coordinator , Administration

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### **Summary:**

#### **Council Member David Gibbons**

- Frank Garcia - Community Multicultural Commission
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### **Attachments**

Frank Garcia - Community Multicultural Commission

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CITY SECRETARY

## Application for City of Garland Boards/Commissions/Committees

Please Type or Print Clearly:

Date: 5/22/2017

Name: Frank Garcia

Phone: ON FILE

Address: 310 Fairway Meadows Dr

Phone: ON FILE

City, State, Zip: Garland, TX 75044

Email: ON FILE

Resident of Garland for 20 years Resident of Texas for 30 years

Dallas County Voter Registration Number ON FILE Garland City Council District Number 1

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you ever been convicted of a Class A misdemeanor? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Please list any experience that qualifies you to serve in the areas you have indicated.

**See attached resume**

If you have previously served on a City Board or Commission, please specify and list dates of service.

**No**

List civic or community endeavors with which you have been involved.

**See attached resume**

What is your educational background?

**BBA, MA Business**

What is your occupational experience?

**Director, Sales, Sales Operations, Product Marketing, AT&T, Nortel**

I hereby affirm that all statements herein are true and correct.

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| I hereby affirm that all statements herein are true and correct.                                  |                          |
| Signature of Applicant<br><u>Frank Garcia</u>                                                     | Date<br><u>5/22/2017</u> |
| *Plan Commission members must live in district **Garland Youth Council has a separate application |                          |

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