



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2023-932

Agenda Date: September 28, 2023

Department: Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs

Title: 2023-932 Presentation by Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs on the City Hall Plaza Ponds (B)

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Description: Staff presentation on a proposed demolition and rebuild of the City Hall Plaza Ponds to eliminate water features in favor of paved pedestrian areas and Florida-friendly landscaped greenspace.

Fiscal Note: There are capital, operations and maintenance costs associated with the City Hall Plaza Ponds. Staff is proposing to utilize in-house resources for the landscaping efforts (Park Operations/Tree Mitigation) and utilize Wild Spaces & Public Places funding for the new concrete work.

Explanation: Presentation by Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs staff on the City Hall Plaza Ponds. Staff will provide historical information and discuss current conditions, a proposed plan and next steps associated with the City Hall Plaza Ponds.

Strategic Connection:

- ☐ Goal 1: Equitable Community
- ☒ Goal 2: More Sustainable Community
- ☒ Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience
- ☐ Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy
- ☐ Goal 5: "Best in Class" Neighbor Services

Recommendation: The City Commission hear a staff presentation on a proposed demolition and rebuild of the City Hall Plaza Ponds and provide direction as necessary.