

City of  
**Gainesville**



# **Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs**

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# Agenda



**History & Current Conditions**



**Proposed Plan**



**Next Steps**







**City Hall Plaza Ponds – Rocks circa early 2000s**





**City Hall Plaza Ponds – 2019**





**City Hall Plaza Ponds - Basement Pump**





Facing North



Facing East





Facing South - Receptacle to be  
reinstalled



Facing South



# Operations & Maintenance Concerns

- 🌿 Plumbing leak repair quoted at \$20,000 in 2023 (funding not available from General Government)
- 🌿 Ongoing pump service costs
- 🌿 Ongoing pond cleaning; to include chemical treatment for the water and routine maintenance such as leaf and debris removal
- 🌿 City Liability – There is some inherent risk from park patrons swimming in the ponds
- 🌿 Sustainability concerns



# Proposed Plan

Existing receptacle. To be reinstalled, surface mounted to new concrete sidewalk.

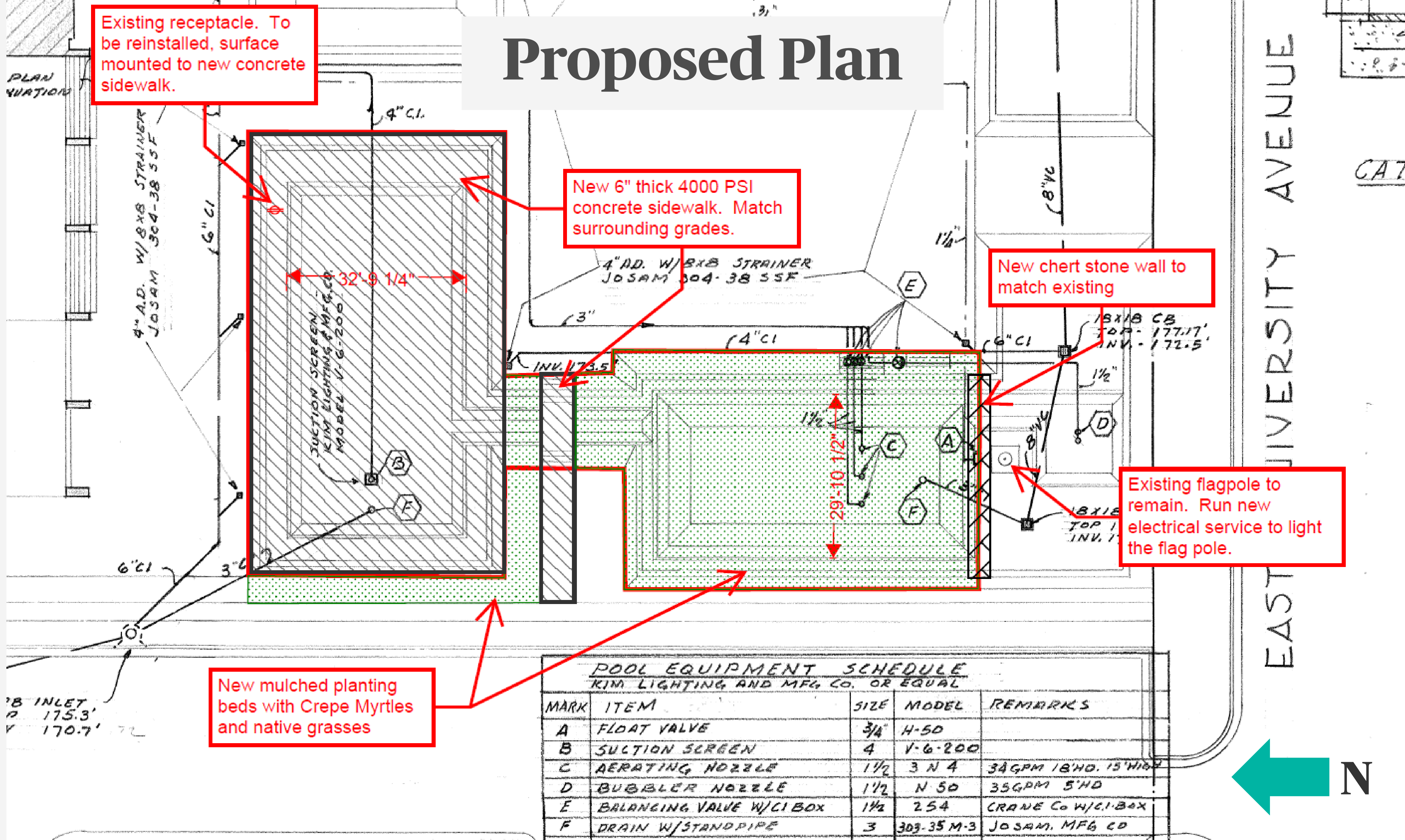
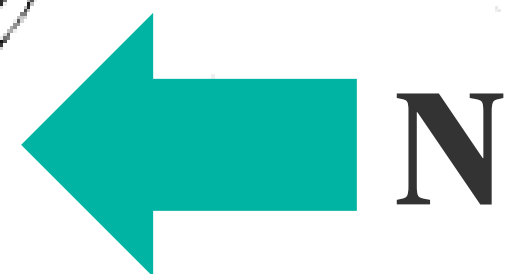
New 6" thick 4000 PSI concrete sidewalk. Match surrounding grades.

New chert stone wall to match existing

Existing flagpole to remain. Run new electrical service to light the flag pole.

New mulched planting beds with Crepe Myrtles and native grasses

POOL EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE				
KIM LIGHTING AND MFG CO. OR EQUAL				
MARK	ITEM	SIZE	MODEL	REMARKS
A	FLOAT VALVE	3/4"	H-50	
B	SUCTION SCREEN	4"	V-6-200	
C	AERATING NOZZLE	1 1/2"	3 N 4	34GPM 18"HD. 15"WD
D	BUBBLER NOZZLE	1 1/2"	N 50	35GPM 5'HD
E	BALANCING VALVE W/CI BOX	1 1/2"	254	CRANE Co W/CI BOX
F	DRAIN W/STANDPIPE	3"	303-35 M-3	JOSAM, MFG CO









# Timeline

2020-2023 –  
Plumbing failures  
identified

*Event 1*

*Event 2*

September 28, 2023  
GPC Discussion

Fall, 2023 –  
Procurement

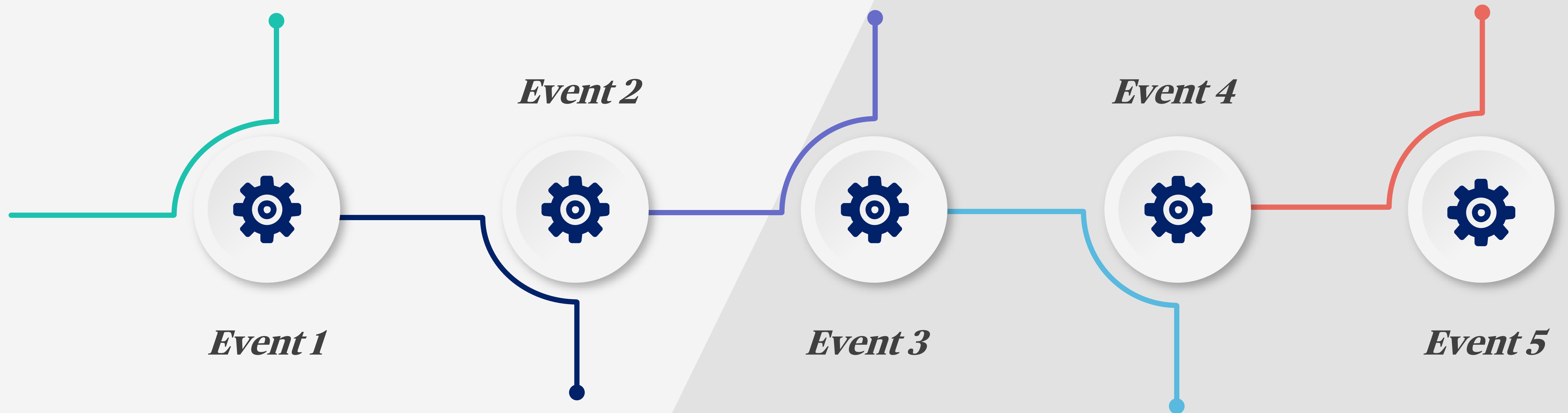
*Event 3*

*Event 4*

Winter, 2023 –  
Construction begins

Spring, 2024 –  
Project completion  
celebration

*Event 5*





# Staff Recommendation

The General Policy Committee hear a presentation from staff on the City Hall Plaza Ponds and provide feedback.





# Questions?

