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### G.O. Bond #10: Maurice Gibb Park

Project Fact Sheet - March 2023

#### What's Happening

During the week of March 27, 2023 the city is commencing the long awaited Maurice Gibb Memorial Park construction project.

Starting next week, the contractor will install temporary construction fencing around the park's perimeter. Work will begin with tree relocations and removals, followed by soil remediation and upgrades to the park layout and recreational features. The boat ramp and docks will remain open during construction, but will



be subject to periodic closures during construction. The parking lot (P46) will remain open to residents, visitors and area business patrons.

# Save the date to celebrate! The groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 4 p.m.

#### **Project Scope and Benefits**

Maurice Gibb Memorial Park was designed for everyone to enjoy for years to come. The design includes something for everyone of all ages, abilities and different activities in mind. It includes:

- Replacing the current playground with a custom-made music-themed play structure
- A living shoreline with Mangrove trees
- Increasing the park's resiliency by raising the seawall elevation, remediation of contaminated soil, increasing drainage capacity and providing native trees and shrubs
- New dog park, fishing piers, a large bay overlook, shade structures and outdoor furniture
- New pavilion with seating for small social gatherings
- New walking paths
- Open greenspace where people can gather for a picnic, watch the sunset, play catch or kick around a ball
- Adding canopy trees and seating along the new walkways
- A future project (separate budget and timeline, but located within the park) will address the Marine Patrol building and provide new restrooms at the ground level for public use.

This is a rendering of the new playground, "You should be dancing..."



#### **Timeline**

Construction begins next week and is expected to last less than two years. We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation while park renovations and construction are underway.

Work hours are weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Extended time is subject to city approval and community notification. Work may include Saturdays and certain holidays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please note, schedules can change due to inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances.

#### **Funding Sources**

The Miami Beach 2018 General Obligation Bonds provided \$6.6 million toward this project. Thank you to community voters for supporting the success of this project.

The project also received grant funding from the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) in the amount of \$1,203,750.

Total budget for the Maurice Gibb Park project: \$12.1 million

#### What to Expect

- Maurice Gibb Memorial Park will be closed during construction. Please use alternate nearby playgrounds such as Pocket Park on Sunset Drive and 20 Street or Belle Isle Park.
- A construction fence with wind screen will extend around the park for everyone's safety.
- The restrooms will also be closed during construction.
- Moderate levels of construction noise is expected during the day.
- Construction materials, machinery, vehicles, and personnel will be on site.
- Most vehicles and material deliveries will access the construction zone from Purdy Avenue.
- Some temporary, intermittent lane closures may be required in the vicinity during construction. Please pay attention to posted signage and flagmen on site.
- Access to the parking lot will be subject to periodic closures.
- Parking restrictions may be posted near the construction zone entrances. Please adhere to posted signage to avoid enforcement measures.
- The project team will provide construction updates to the public as new information and/or new construction tasks and milestones are expected to occur.

#### **Who to Contact**

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For more information on the G.O. Bond Program, visit <a href="www.GOMBInfo.com">www.GOMBInfo.com</a>. For more information on the city's project web page, <a href="click here">click here</a>.

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