

# **CITY OF TAKOMA PARK**

# CITY PARKS AMENITIES INVENTORY







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# **Takoma Park City Parks Amenities Inventory**

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#### **OVERVIEW**

This document was developed in March of 2016, when the City of Takoma Park's Housing and Community Development staff conducted a physical inventory of recreational and cultural amenities within City-owned parks, documenting quantities and noting exceptional fixtures and qualities.

This inventory includes all 14 parks owned and maintained by the City of Takoma Park. In total, these properties encompass 12.5 acres of land. A majority of the parks include amenities oriented towards families with children, such as playground equipment and play spaces. Many parks also contain monuments or memorials – Memorial Park is noted for its World War II memorial and plaques dedicated to several of the City's service members, and Upper Portal Park has a plaque erected on a boulder commemorating the founding of Takoma Park. Glengary Place Park and Wabash Park do not contain any public-serving amenities at this time.

The City also owns and maintains rights-of-way, which include small public open spaces such as the Crossroads Green Space, Metropolitan Branch Trail, and Grant Avenue Berm. These spaces, while serving the community with minor amenities (seating, signage, etc.), are not included in this inventory, but included in the Takoma Park Streetscape Manual. In addition, gardens, seating and other features are hosted at properties that are owned or maintained by the City. While not parks, the Circle Woods and recently acquired Washington-McLaughlin woods are also City-owned open spaces, without recreational or cultural amenities.

Additional parks maintained by Montgomery County (e.g. Takoma Piney Branch Park, Sligo Creek Park, etc.) are not maintained by the City and not included in this inventory.

#### **B.Y. MORRISON PARK**

Location: Carroll & Ethan Allen Avenues

Size: 0.144 Acres

Amenities: • 7 benches

• 2 picnic tables

• Art Deco-style pavilion

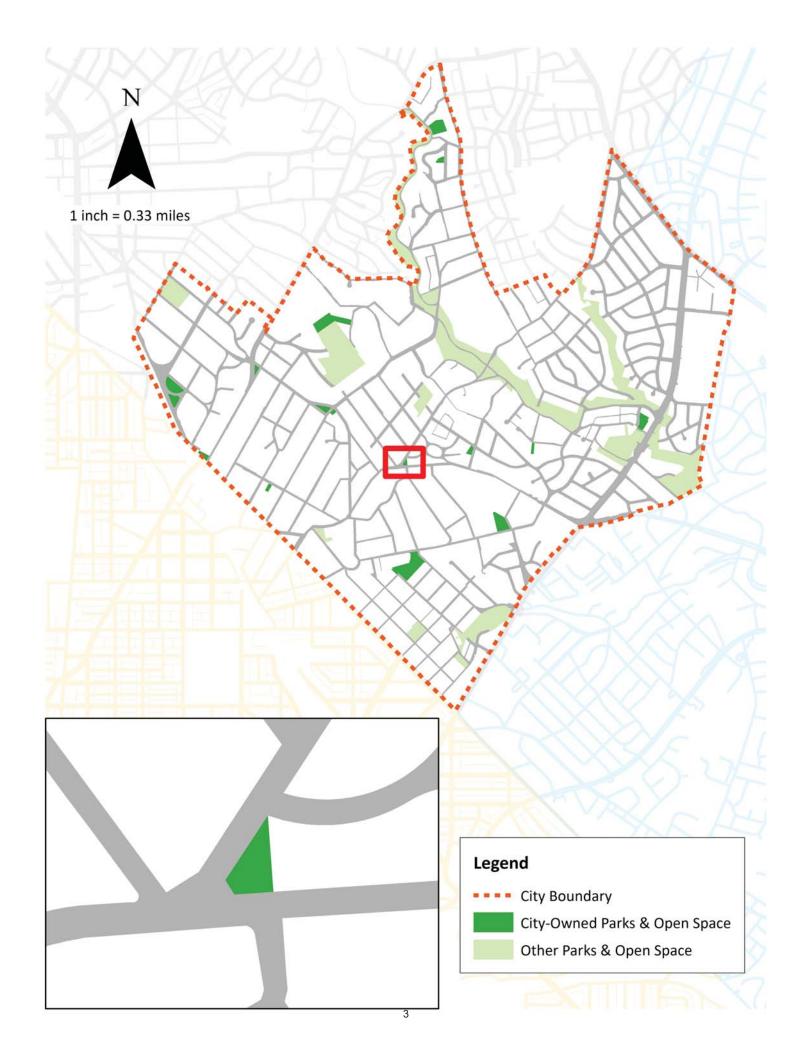
Mural



"Guardians of the Neighborhood" mural at B.Y. Morrison Park



"Boston Bench" picnic table at B.Y. Morrison Park



#### **BELLE ZIEGLER PARK**

Location: Takoma, Albany, & Buffalo Avenues

Size: 1.839 Acres

Amenities: • 7 benches

• 7 picnic tables

• Pavilion

• Multi-sport field

• Half basketball court

• 2 play systems

• 2 swing sets

• Jungle gym

• See-saw

• Spring toy

Water fountain

• Port-a-john

• Locational & educational signage

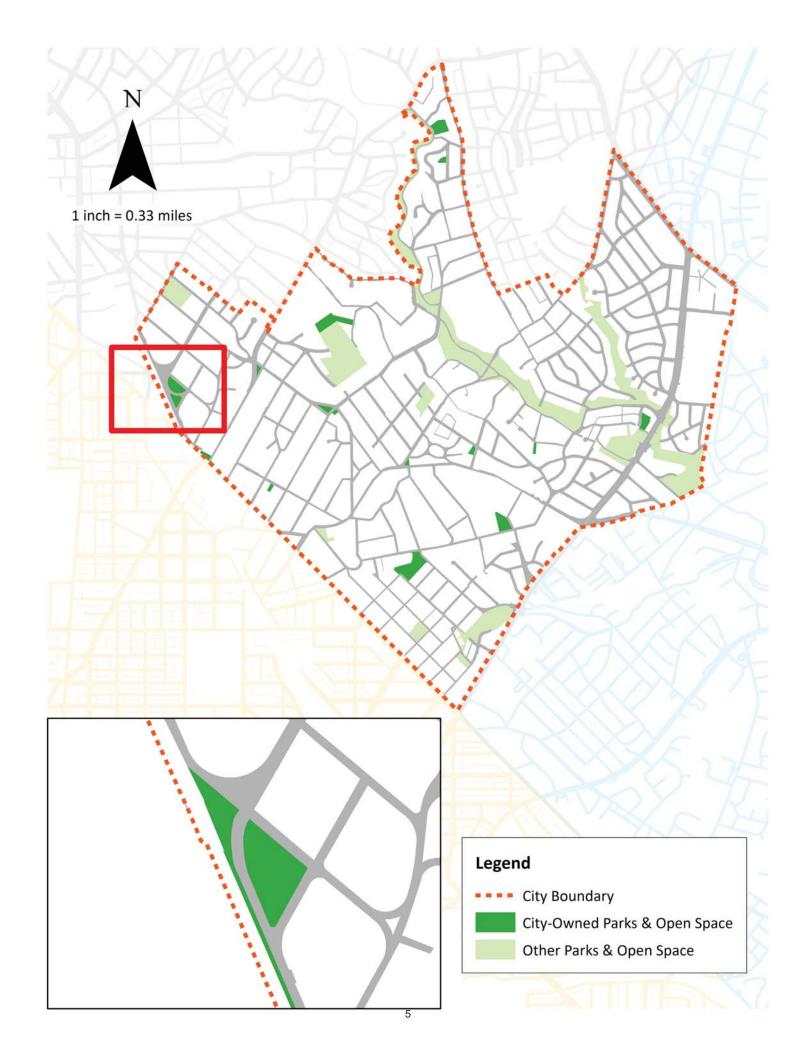
• Memorial plaque



Entrance Sign at Takoma & Buffalo Avenues



Pavilion with picnic tables



# **COLBY TOT LOT**

Location: Cherry & Colby Avenues

Size: 0.232 Acres

Amenities: • 1 bench

2 picnic tablesPlay system

Spring toySee-saw

• Swing set

• Water fountain

• 2 grills

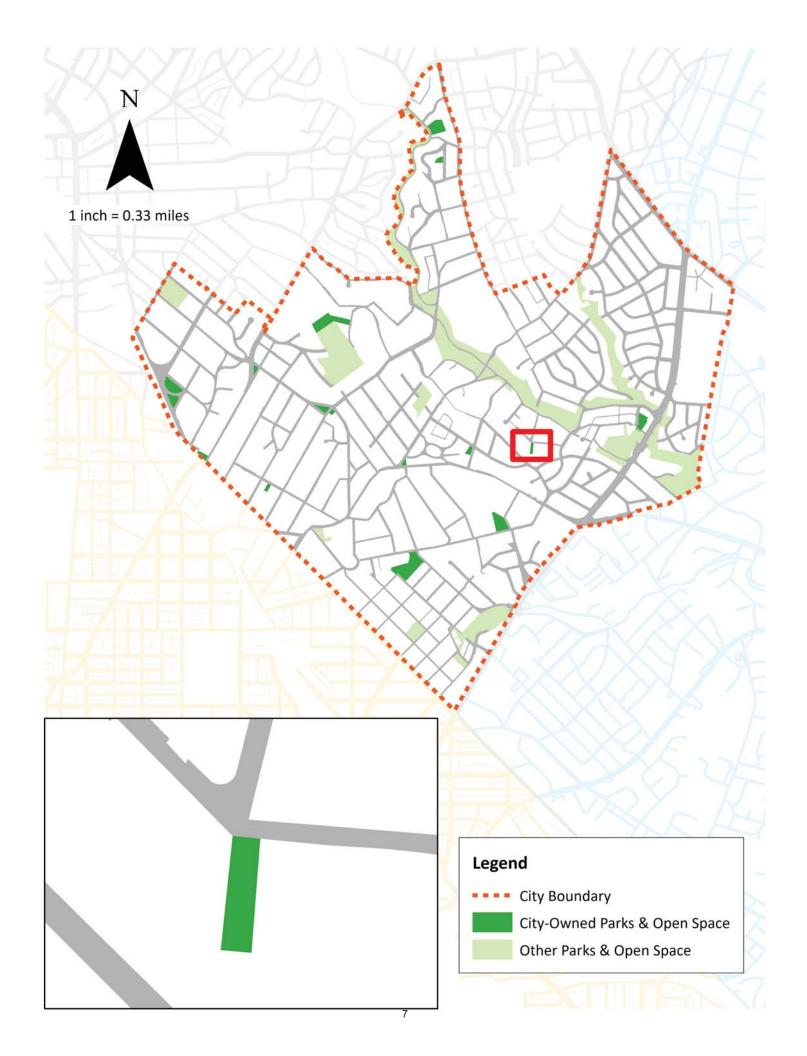
• Locational signage



Purple Dinosaur Spring Toy



Play System



#### **FOREST PARK**

Location: Prince George's & Elm Avenues

Size: 1.414 acres

Amenities: • 7 benches

• 7 picnic tables

Pavilion

• Play system

• Swing set

• Half basketball court

• Water fountain

• Multi-sport field

• Four square & hopscotch courts

• Little Free Library

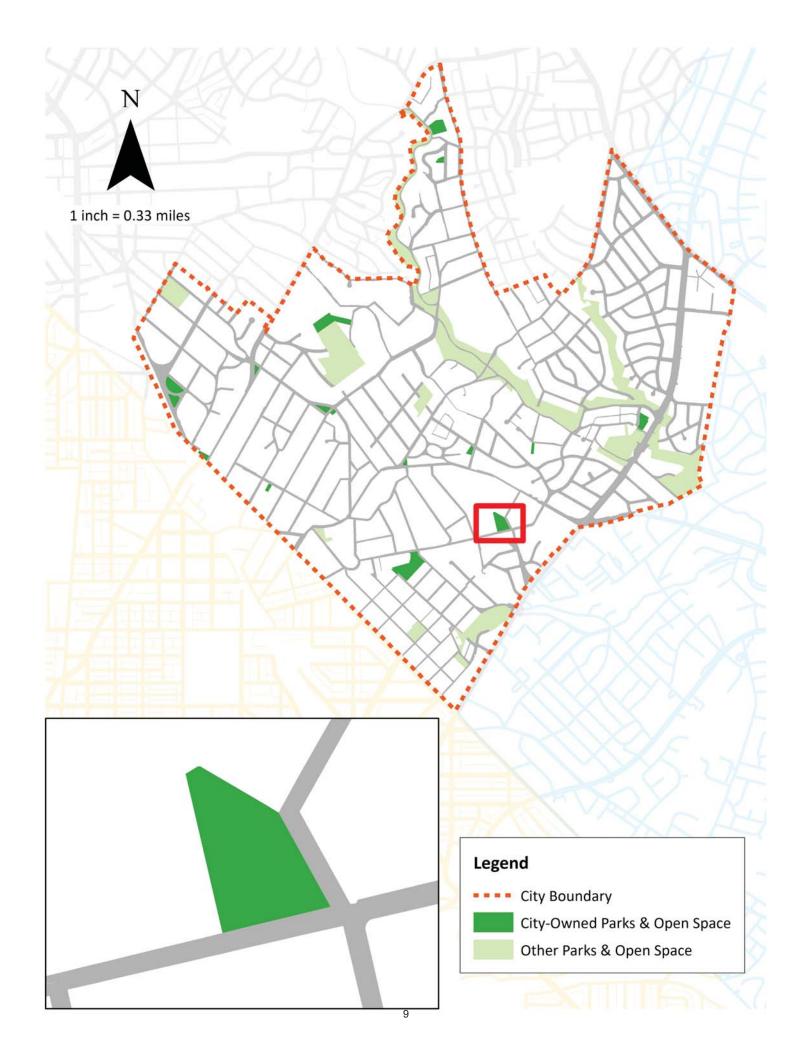
• Locational signage



**Hopscotch Court** 



Play System

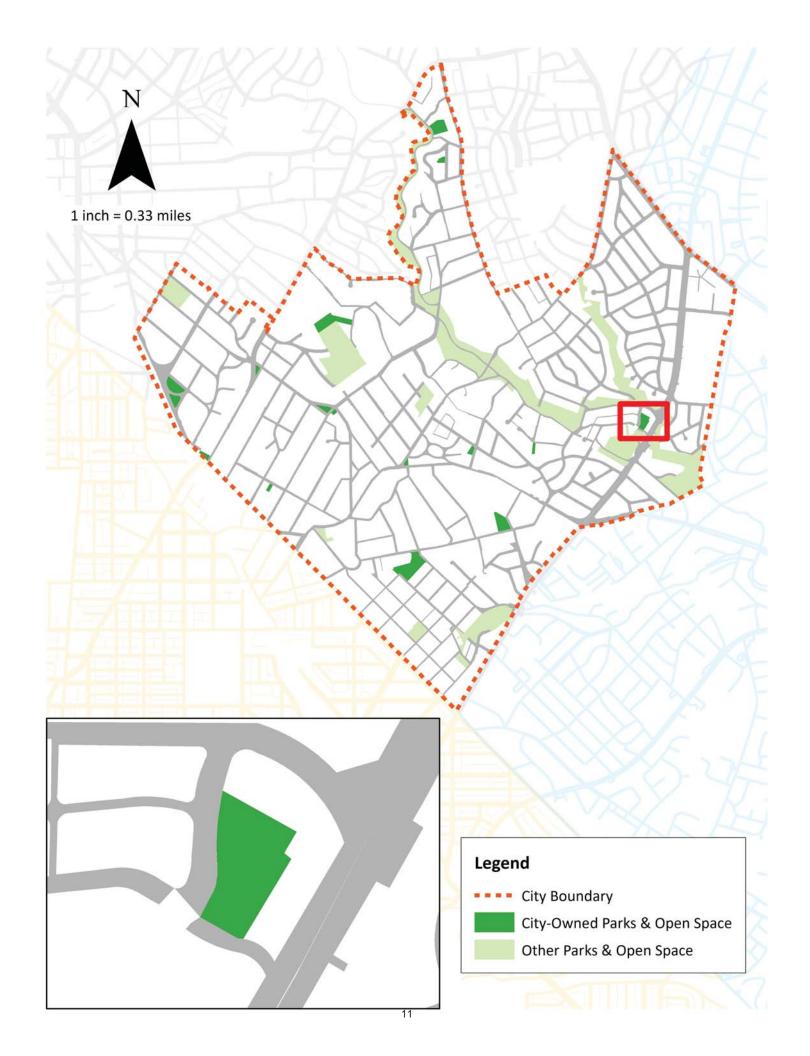


# **GLENGARY PLACE PARK**

Location: Glengary Place

Size: 0.852 Acres

Amenities: None – natural area



#### **HEFFNER PARK**

Location: 42 Oswego Avenue

Size: 2.290 Acres

Amenities: • 2 benches

• 3 picnic tables

Pavilion

• 2 play systems

• Swing set

• 2 spring toys

• Basketball hoop

Grill

• Water fountain

• Community center with kitchenette & seating

• Unmarked parking spaces (5-6)

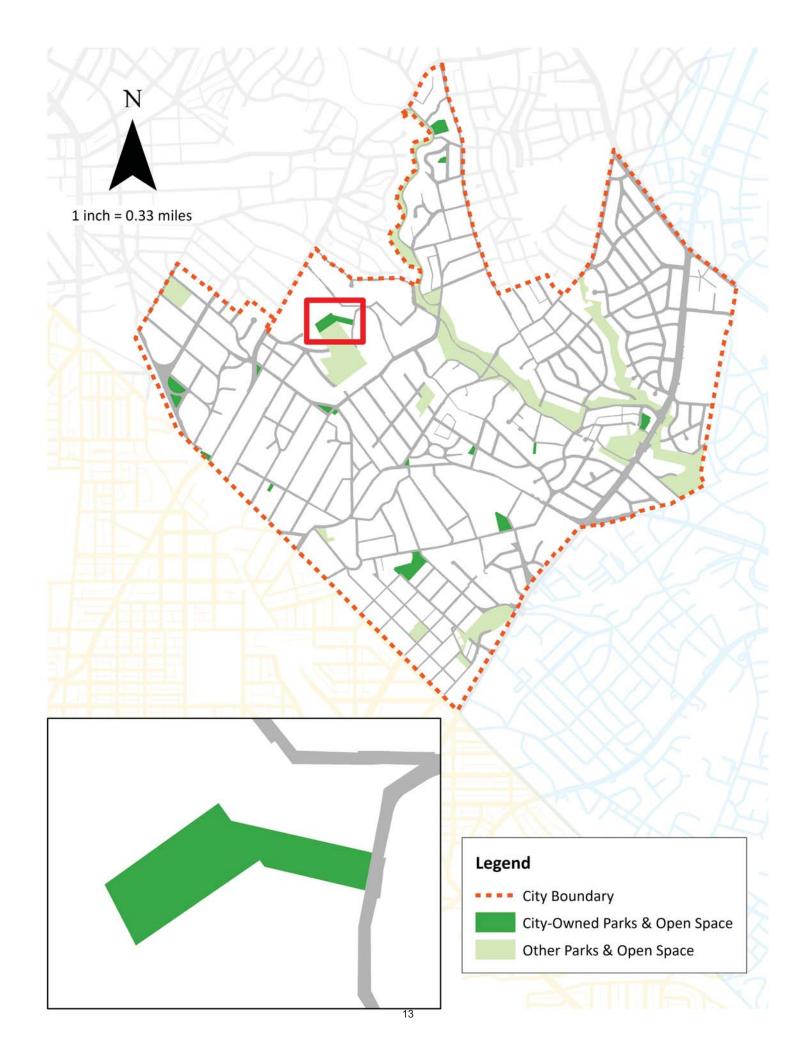
• Locational signage



Basketball hoop and bench



Swing set and play system



#### **JACKSON BOYD PARK**

Location: Jackson & Boyd Avenues

Size: 0.276 Acres

Amenities: • 3 benches

3 picnic tables 2 swing sets 2 spring toys

• Elastic jungle gym

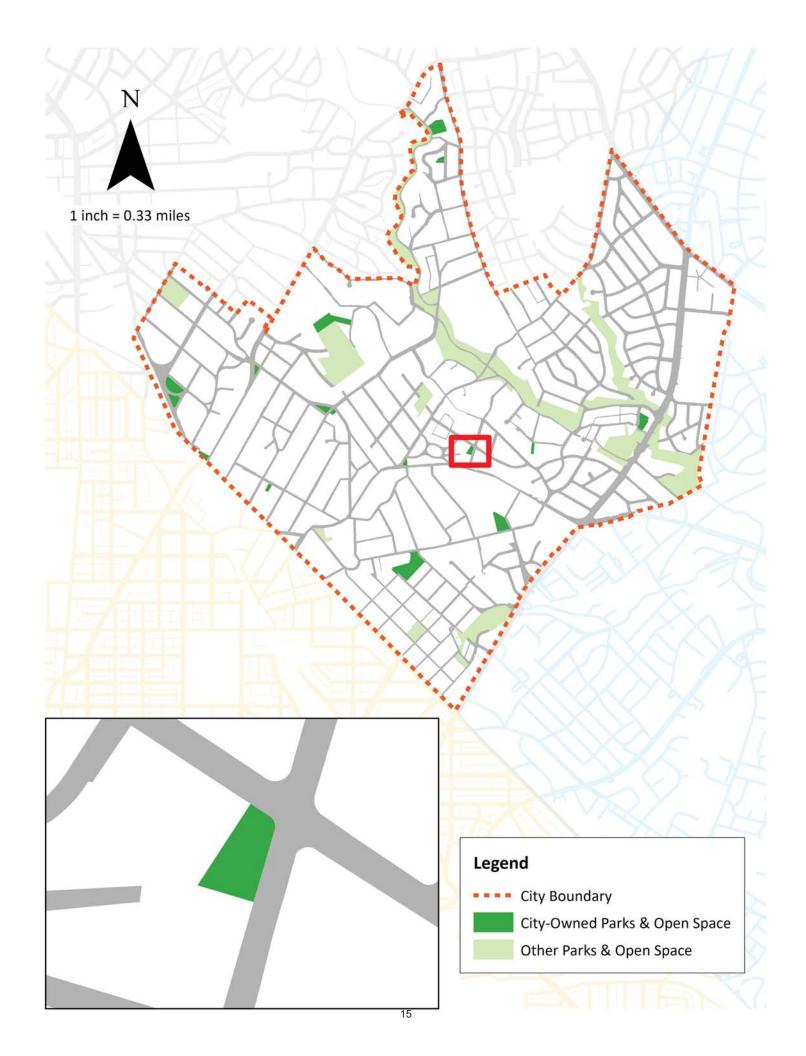
Play systemWater fountainLocational sign



Pavilion and elastic gym



Tire swing and picnic table



#### **LOWER PORTAL PARK**

Location: Chestnut & Philadelphia Avenues & Piney Branch Road

Size: 0.181 Acres

Amenities: • 1 bench

• Non-functional fountain with commemorative plaque

• Garden sign



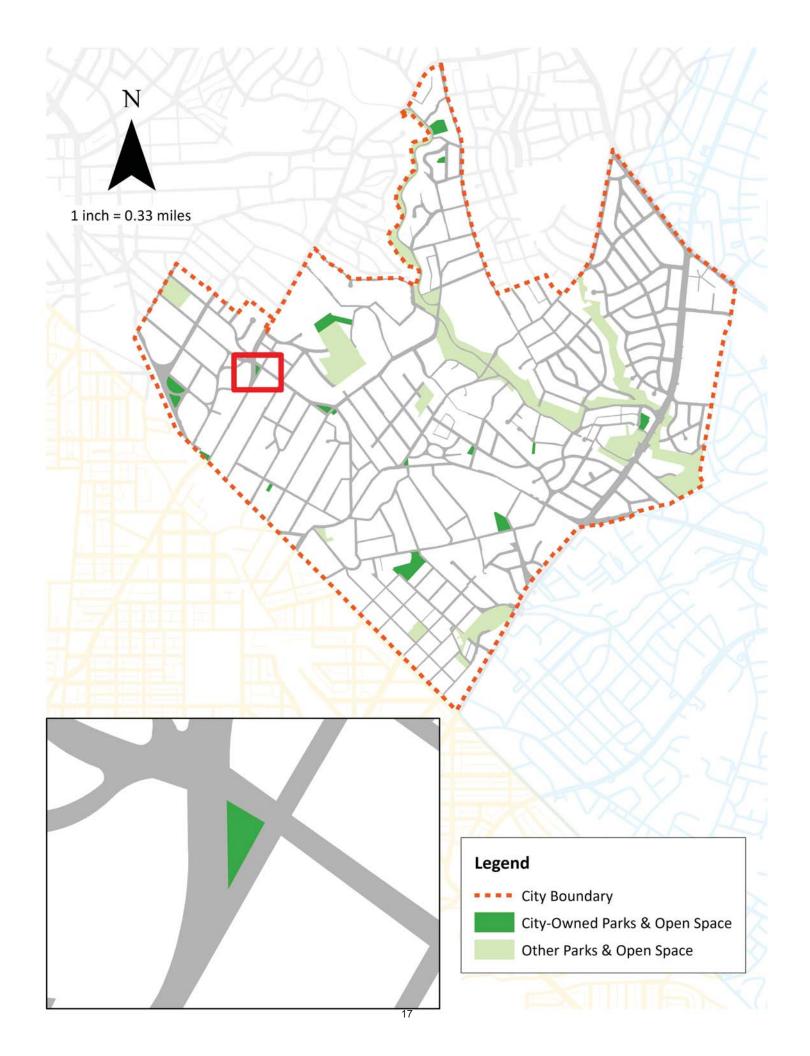
"Frank White Azalea Garden" Sign



Bench



Takoma Park Lions Club Memorial Fountain



#### **MEMORIAL PARK**

Location: Maple, Philadelphia, & Old Philadelphia Avenues

Size: 0.411 Acres

Amenities: • 2 benches

World War II monument2 memorial plaques

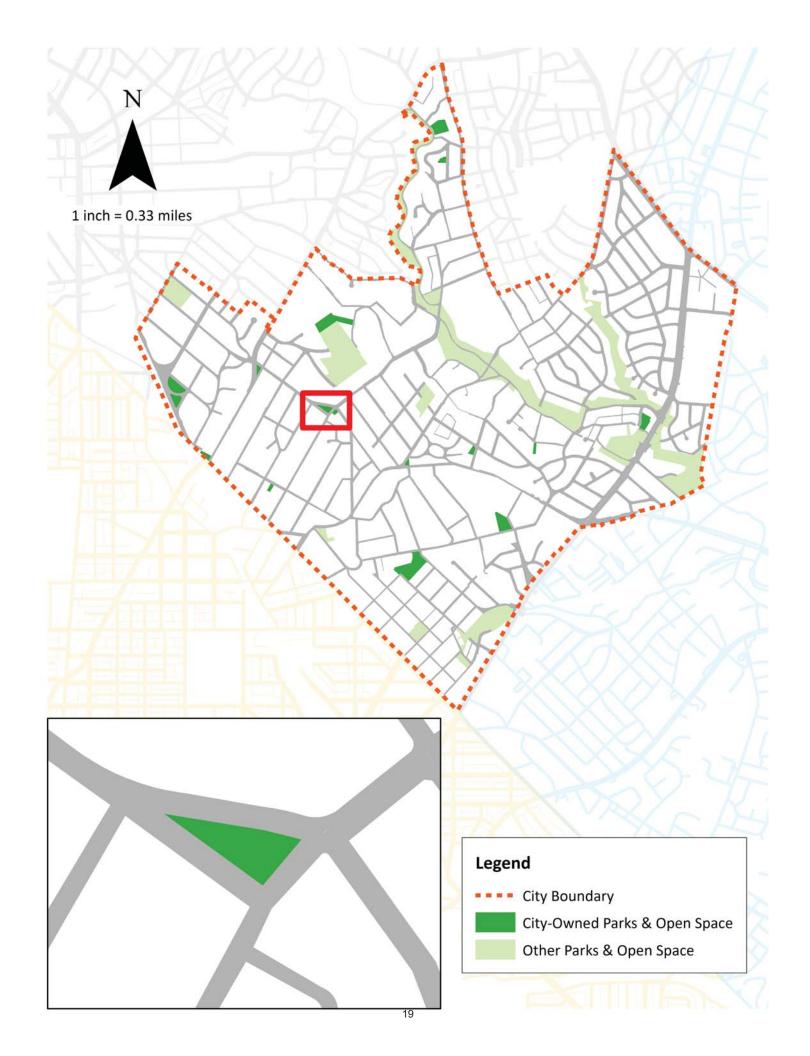
• Flagpole with nighttime illumination







Veteran's memorial



#### **SPRING PARK**

Location: Poplar, Elm, & Cockerille Avenues

Size: 3.078 Acres

Amenities: • 7 benches

• 4 picnic tables

Pavilion

• 2 play systems

• 2 swing sets

• 2 spring toys

• Jungle gym

• Half basketball court

Water fountain

• Multi-sport field

• Little Free Library

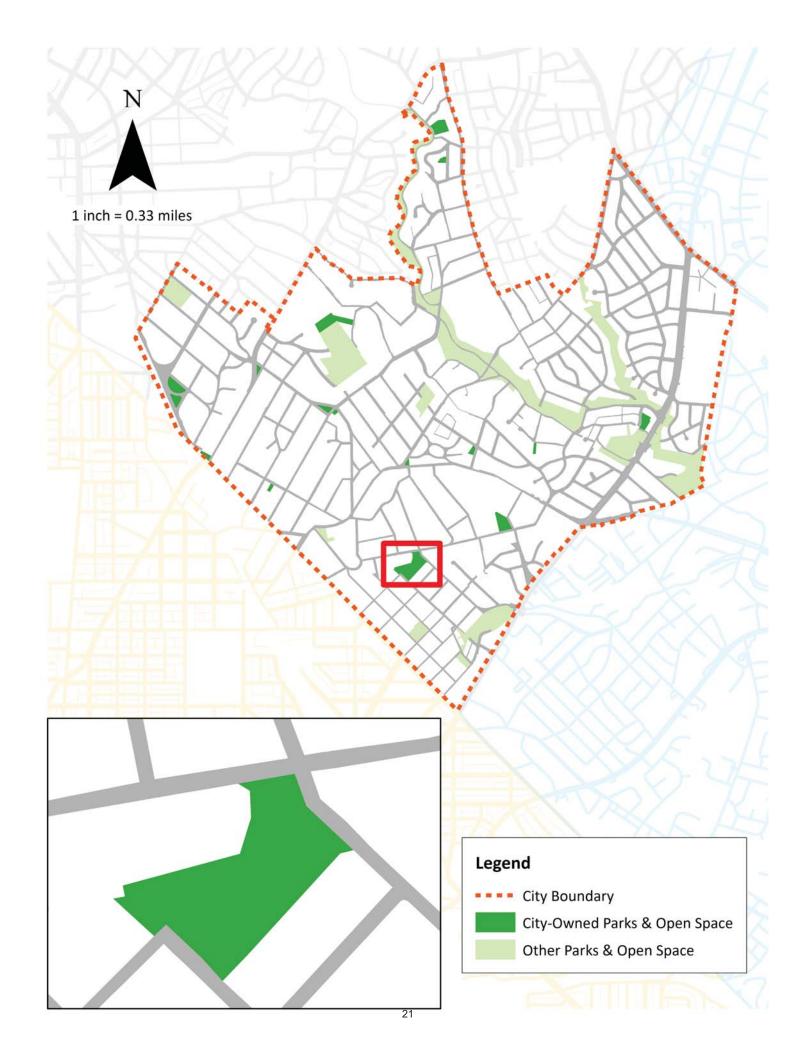
• Locational signage



Play system



Pavilion with picnic tables and play tube



#### **THOMAS-SIEGLER HISTORIC SITE**

Location: Tulip Avenue

Size: 0.201 Acres

Amenities: • 2 benches

Carriage HouseLocational signHistorical sign



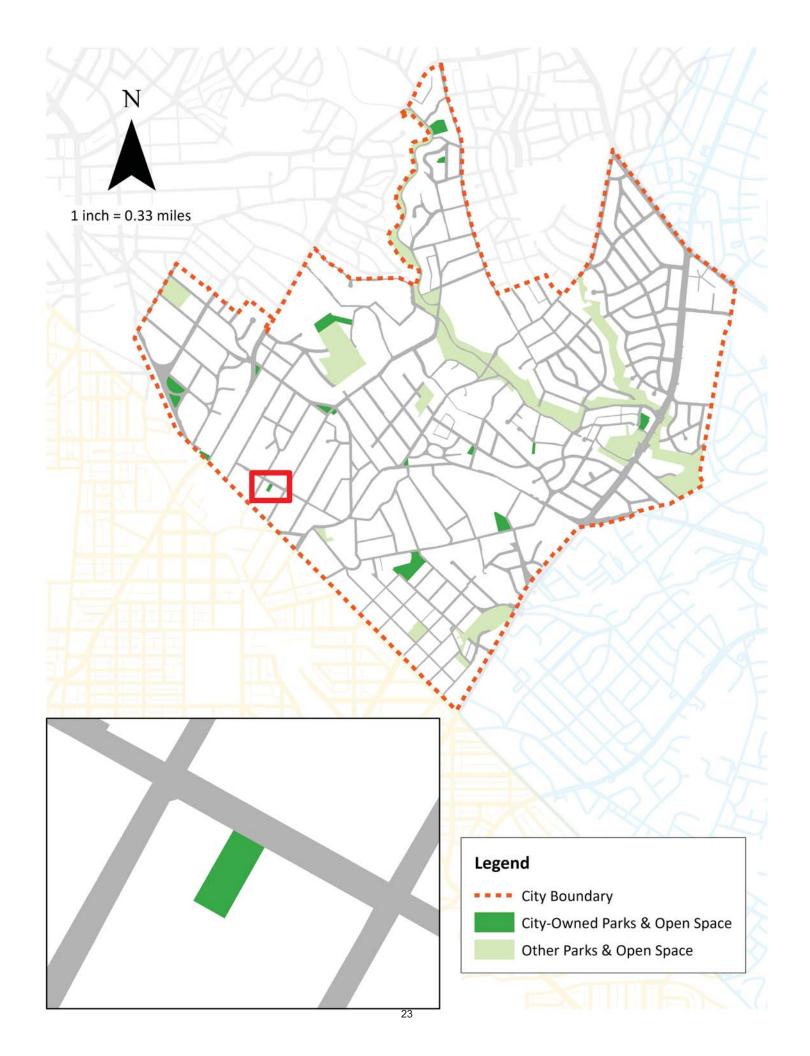
Historical Sign



Carriage House



Locational Sign



# **TOATLEY FRASER PARK**

Location: Eastridge Avenue

Size: 0.290 Acres

Amenities: • 7 benches

• 5 picnic tables

Pavilion

• 2 play systems

• Swing set

• Water fountain

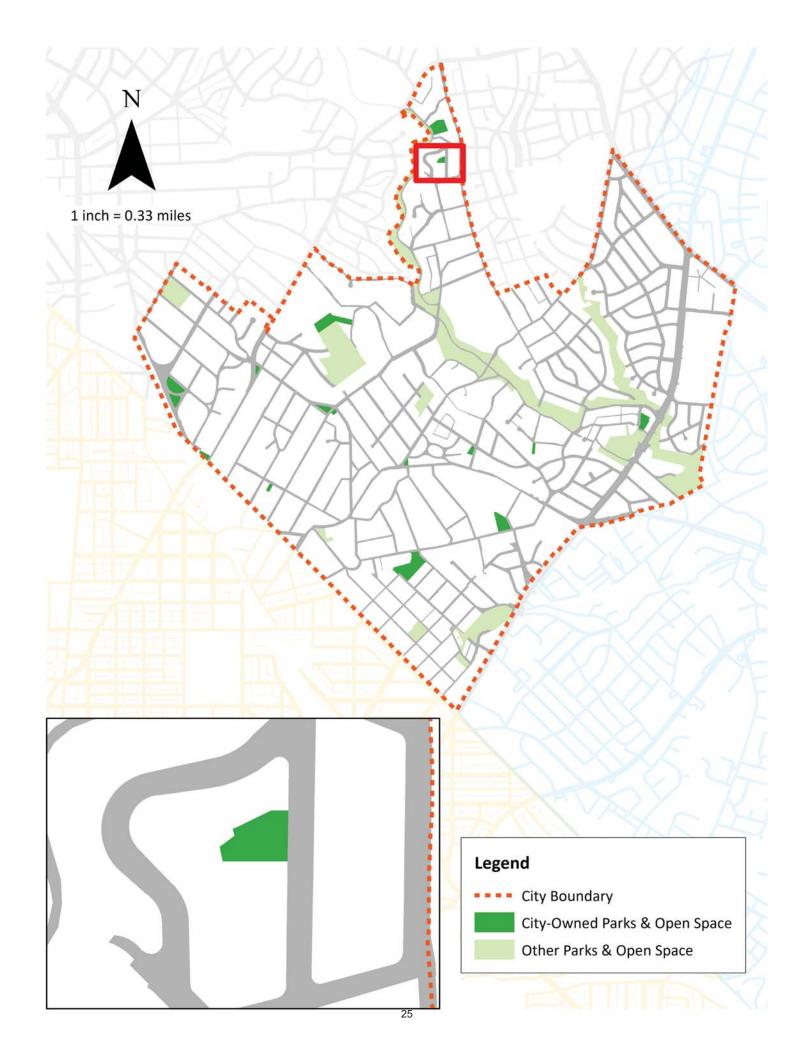
• Locational signage



Locational sign and play systems



Picnic tables under pavilion



#### **UPPER PORTAL PARK**

Location: Eastern & Takoma Avenues & Piney Branch Road

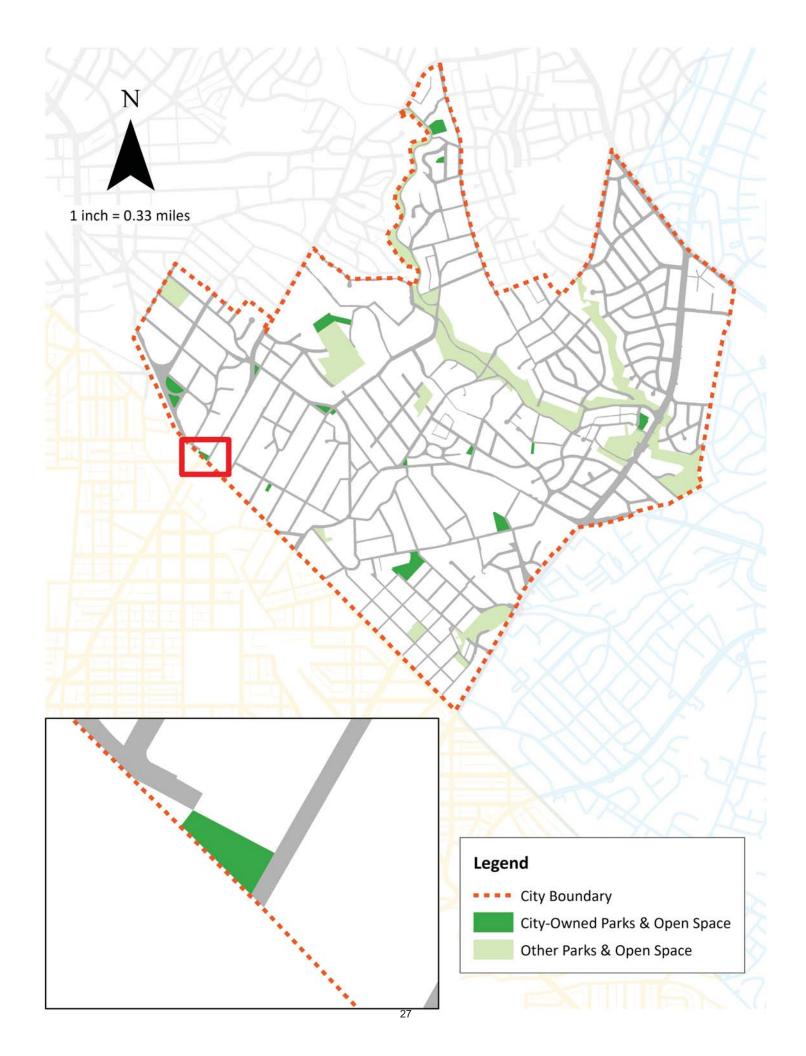
Size: 0.339 Acres

Amenities: • Locational sign

• 2 commemorative plaques



Plaque commemorating the founding of Takoma Park



# **WABASH PARK**

Location: Wabash Avenue & Sligo Creek Parkway

Size: 0.938 Acres

Amenities: None – natural area

