



Patrick J. Cooney, Mayor

Story Road/Thomas Lane Greenspace Project - Final Proposed Design Planning & Design Commission Meeting June 17, 2020

- Ownership of the Thomas Lane Greenspace was accepted by the City on March 10, 2019.
- City Council passed Ordinance 19-61 on March 2, 2020 to dedicate the greenspace as a park.
- The Parks & Recreation Commission made a recommendation to approve the proposed greenspace project on May 27, 2020.
- An underground water retention basin is located on the property to alleviate stormwater runoff from the adjacent Thomas Lane development.
- The land is currently vacant.
- Located directly south of Story Road and directly north of the Thomas Lane cul-de-sac.
- Comprised of 0.285 acres.
- Property dimensions are 200' x 60'.
- The site is surrounded by single-family residential uses.



Site Overview



PPN 323-10-042



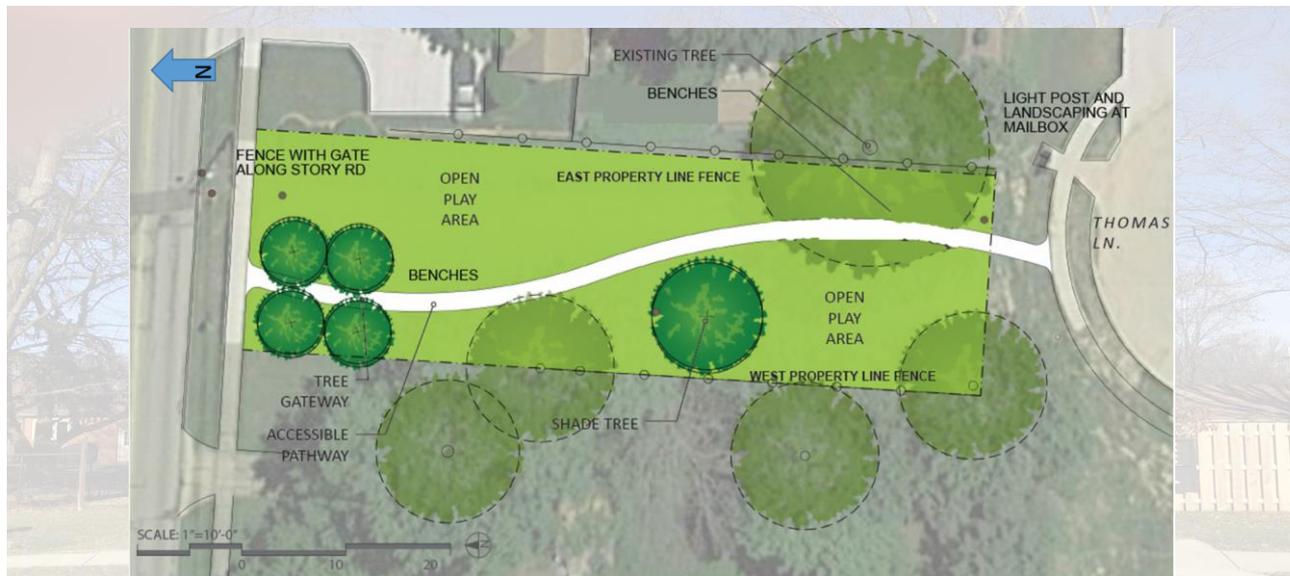
Thomas Lane cul-de-sac, facing north



Story Road, facing south



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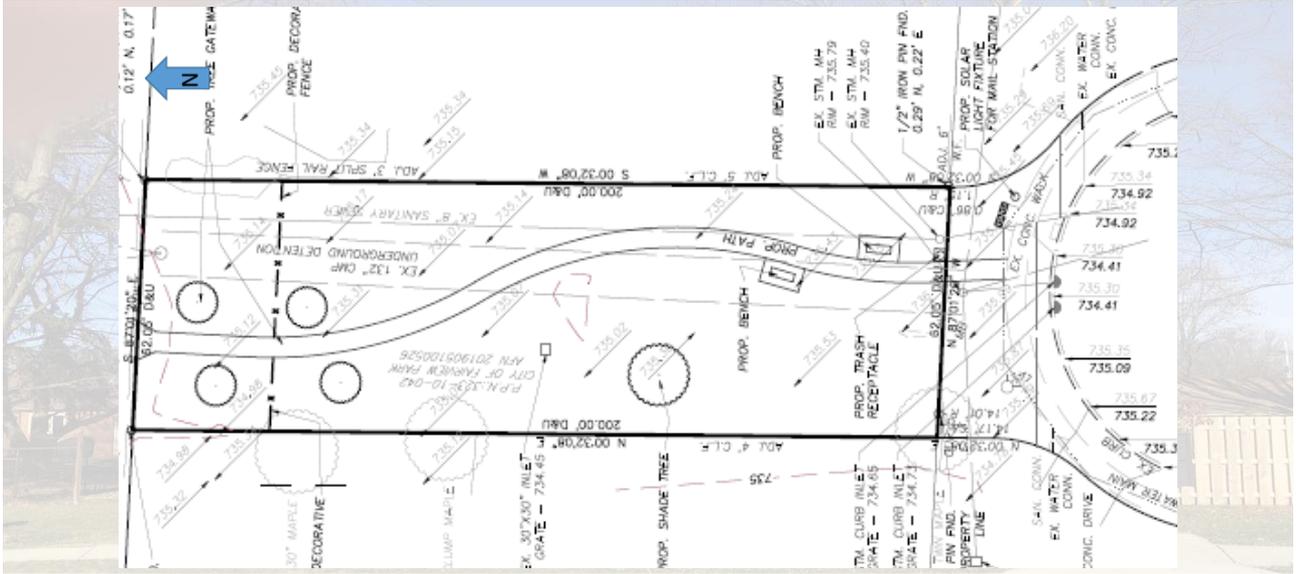


Preliminary Rendering

- Pathway connecting Story Road to the Thomas Lane cul-de-sac.
- Two (2) black-coated metal benches.
- One (1) black-coated metal trash receptacle.
- 4-foot black metal fence at Story Road.
- Tree plantings.
- Light post (located adjacent to the Thomas Lane mailboxes and not on the greenspace).



Proposed Project



Final Design (Proposed)



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Black metal benches



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Black metal trash receptacle



Benches & Trash Receptacle

Trees and other landscaping materials to be selected by Shade Tree Advisory Committee members:

- Dawn Wright
- Linda Kurz
- Dale VanZante
- Penn Berens
- Kate McCarthy
- Doreen Papajcik
- Mike Varga, City Arborist



4-foot black metal fence



Tree Plantings & Fencing



Asphalt Pathway

- 1.61 acres required for playing fields (Ohio Facilities Construction Commission).
- Safety concerns adjacent to Story Road.
- Public greenspace is serving a demographic with a large population of senior citizens (higher density of seniors than rest of the City).
- Proposed greenspace does not limit activities for multigenerational use and individuals with limited mobility.



Considerations

- Greenspace to be leveraged for future grant opportunities. By connecting Story Road and Thomas Lane, the proposed project increases walkability and connectivity in the City.
- Grant funding agencies include Cuyahoga County, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, the Ohio Department of Transportation, and the Environmental Protection Agency.



Considerations

- Further requests for grant funding can be made if it is determined that additional improvements are desired and warranted.
- Cuyahoga County's 2020 Community Development Supplemental Grant Program (\$50,000).



Funding

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