



Bruin Park

Master Plan Amendment
Public Comment Meeting
Fairfax County Park Authority
December 1, 2014



Meeting Purpose:

Present draft master plan amendment and listen to public comments about the proposed amendment

Agenda:

- Introductions
- Background Information
- Presentation of Bruin Park Draft Master Plan Amendment
- Public Input



Welcome



- TWELVE-MEMBER BOARD
- APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- INCLUDES A REPRESENTATIVE FOR EACH OF THE NINE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS PLUS THREE AT-LARGE MEMBERS

Park Authority Board

Enhance Citizen's Quality of Life Through

- Natural & Cultural Resource Stewardship
- Quality Facilities & Services
- Recreational Opportunities



Park Authority Mission

425 Parks • 23,310 Acres

374 structures with more than
1,383,992 million square feet of building space



80% of County residents use parks;
16.7 million Park visitors each year
Typical County households participate in an average of 5 park activities
Nearly **90%** of all residents live within ½ mile of a park

Growing evidence of links between good health and active lifestyle



FCPA Fast Facts





Parks

better parks

better living

Count!

Needs Assessment

- Questions or Suggestions
- Email
- Mail
- Phone
- Public Input Meeting



Community Input

- Site-specific long range vision
- General guide for appropriate park uses
- General location of facilities
- Identifies resource protection areas
- Captures site conditions or community concerns



Master Plan Purpose

Conceptual Development Plan (CDP)

- Graphically shows general location of recommended facilities & use areas
- Conceptual, not engineered site plan



Master Plan Components

**Research
and Site
Analysis;**

**Develop
Draft
Plan**

**Public
Review
of Draft
Plan**

•Fall 2014

**Public
Comment
Period**

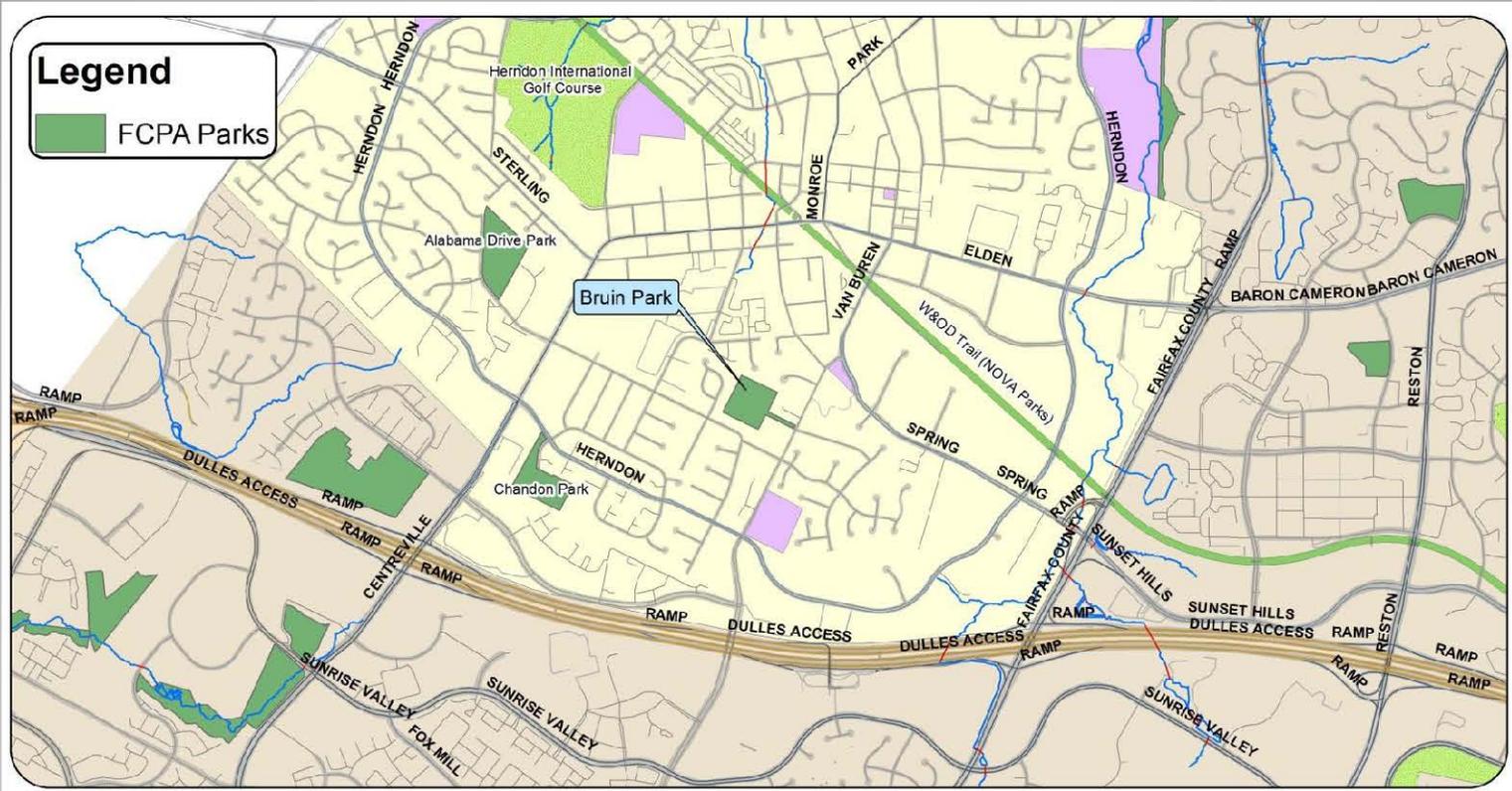
• until Jan. 5

**Revisions
as
needed**

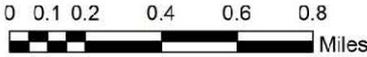
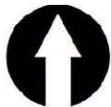
**Board
Action**

•Winter
2015

Master Plan Process



Legend
 FCPA Parks

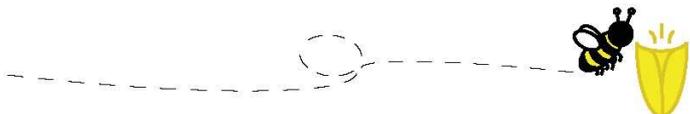


**Bruin Park
 Vicinity Map**

October 2014



Vicinity Map



Proposal: Revise the Bruin Park Master Plan to Incorporate a Community Garden

A Herndon Environmental Network pilot project for healthy homegrown food in cooperation
with the Town of Herndon and the Fairfax County Park Authority

July, 2014



Photo courtesy of Blue Heron Farm at www.blueherontexas.com

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- Herndon Environmental Network (HEN)
- HEN to create, operate and manage garden under a Memorandum of Understanding
- The MOU will cover the installation/construction, management and operation of the garden plots

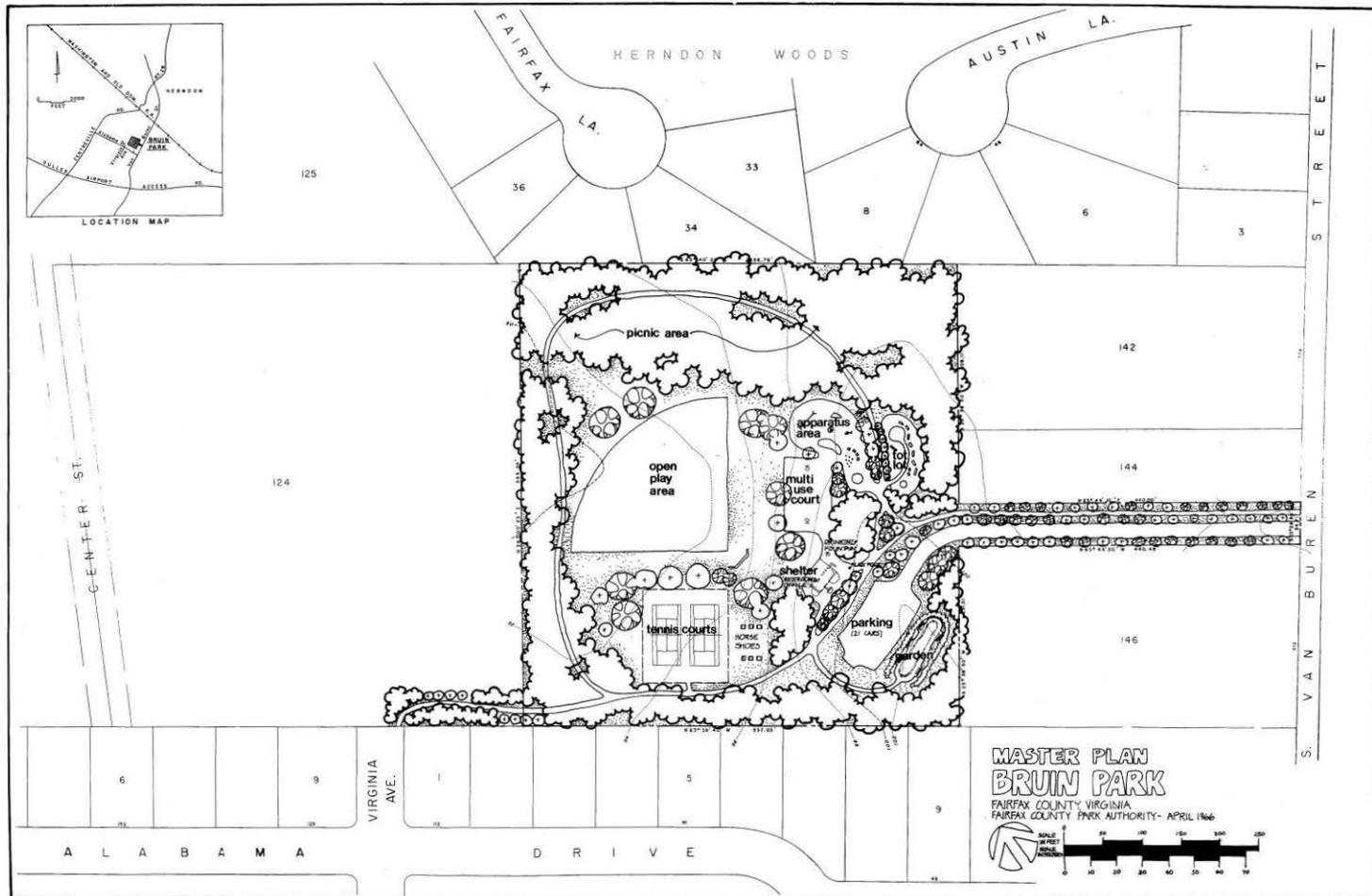
Community Garden Proposal



Proposed
Community
Garden
Location

Entrance

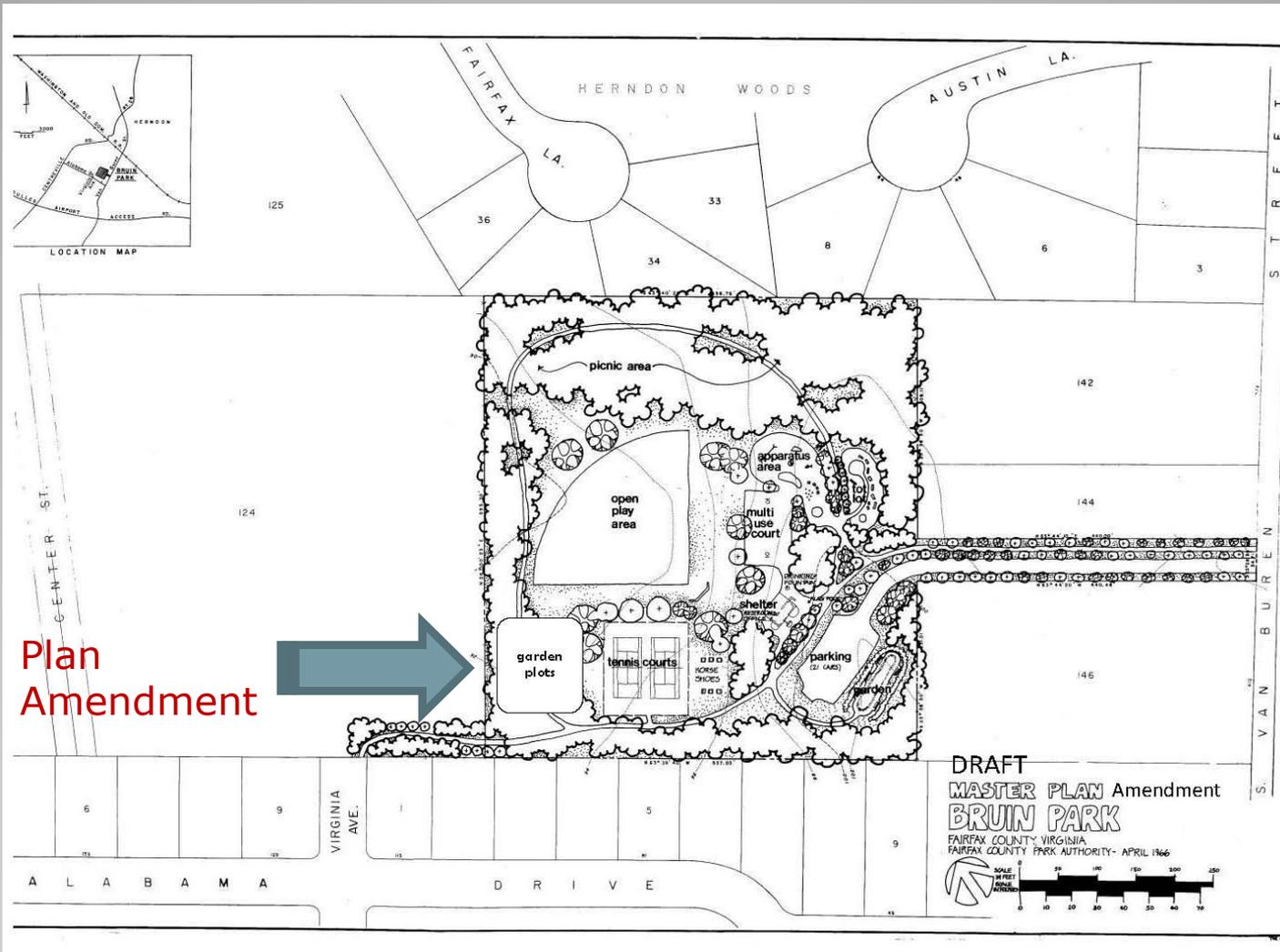
Aerial



Existing Master Plan



Existing Site Elements



Proposed Master Plan Amendment



Proposed garden plot location



- Fenced area
- Estimated 30-35 plots
- Approximately 15' x 20'

Garden Plot Details

- Public comment period until Jan. 5
- Revise plan based on public comments
- Park Authority Board Review and Action on Final Master Plan Revision – Winter 2015



Next steps

Master Plan Project Website:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/bruin-park.htm>

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Or leave comment slip with us tonight!

Comments and Feedback