

## Response to Questions on the FY 2019 Budget

**Request By:** Supervisor Gross

**Question:** What is the status and timeline of the master plan for Green Spring Gardens?

**Response:**

The revised Green Springs Master Plan was approved by the Park Authority Board on April 27, 2016. Primary changes from the previous master plan include:

- Incorporation of newly acquired acreage along Green Spring Road (approx. 2.5 acres)
- Refinement of use zones – particularly important to protect the historic areas of the park
- Addition of Ecological Restoration Areas to support work of NRMP
- Adjustment to the entry sequence and parking to help orient visitors to the park.
- Increased emphasis along Braddock Road frontage to increase visibility of the park
- Noted opportunity for expansion of the Horticultural Center
- Refinement of back-of-house area for greater efficiency and to remove conflicts with children's area
- Noted opportunity to provide an outdoor classroom

Completed items to date total approximately \$930,000 and include:

- ADA improvements:
  - Parking and route to the Visitor's Center
  - Main loop
  - Historic House routes and parking
  - Trail to the pond
  - Stone dust route to the gazebo and up to the boardwalk at the woods trail
  - Exterior route alongside the main parking spaces
- Structural improvements-pedestrian bridge, facility systems
- Demonstration gardens upgrades

Currently, there is no identified funding included in the Park Bond program for other revisions included in the Master Plan. Funding for these improvements will require consideration in future Park Bonds.