



# Master Plan & Next Steps

Dallas Park & Recreation Board
May 2, 2019



# Agenda

## Master Plan Highlights

## Monorail and Parking Garage

Beyond the Monorail Strategies Parking Garage Concept Design

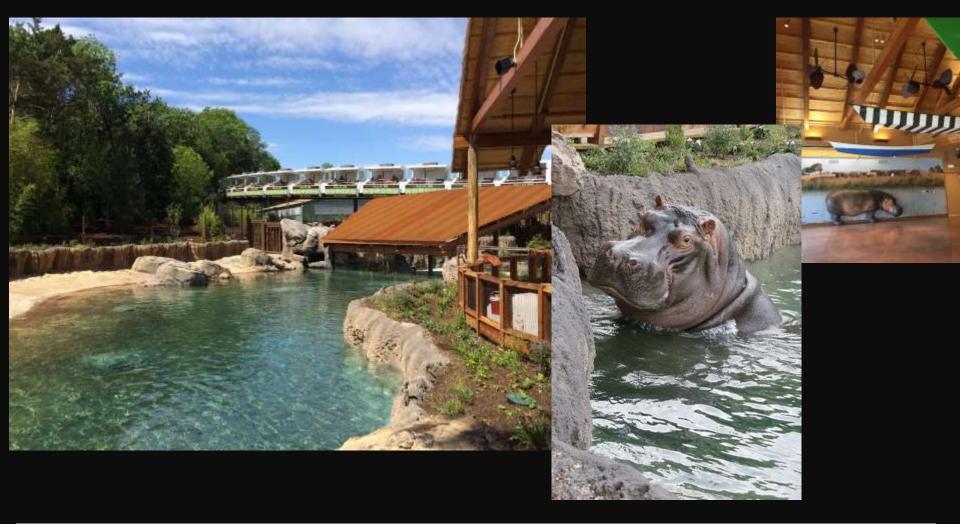
## Questions and Approval

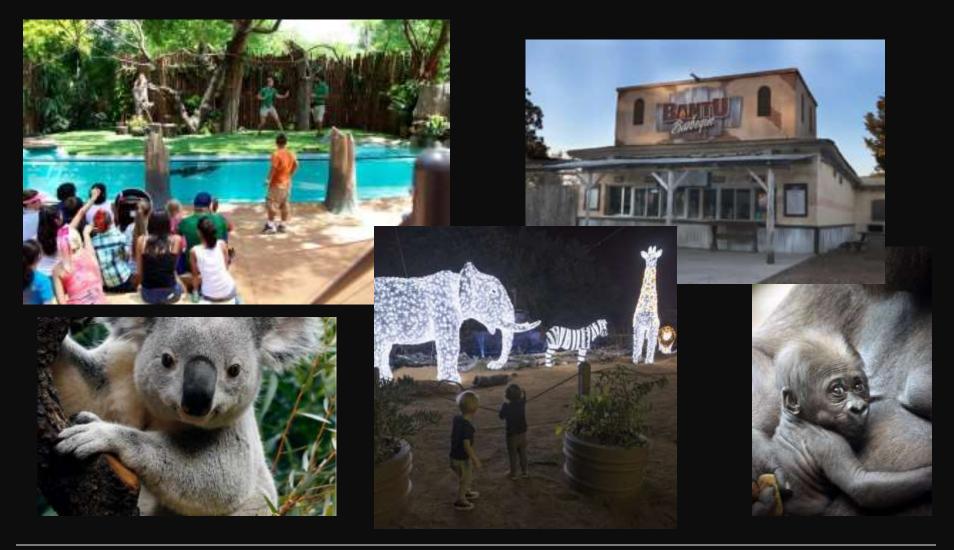
## **Next Steps**

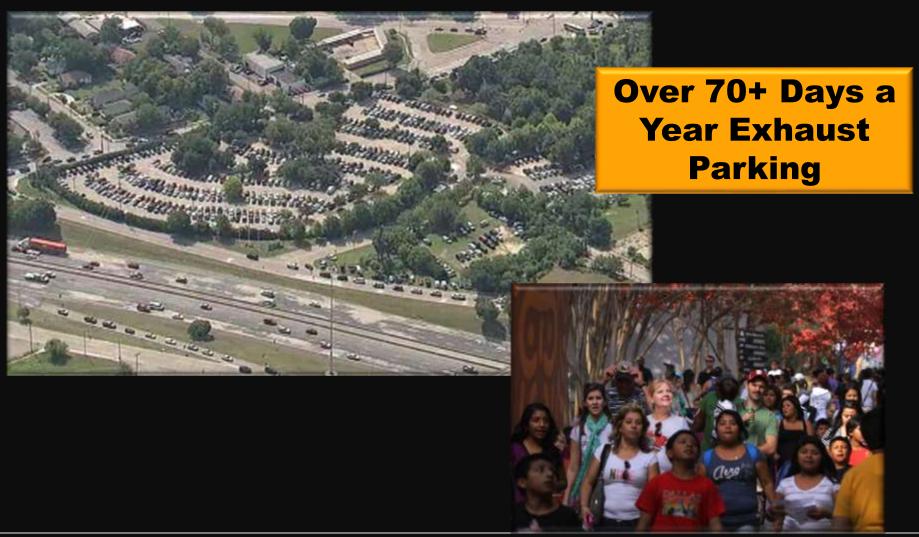
Park Board Adoption Project Packaging











# Aging Infrastructure







## Southern Gateway Impact



# Deck Park Integration



## Over 12 Months of Planning

#### **Journey began April of 2018**

- √ Steering Committee meetings
- √ Board Workshops
- **✓ Board Survey**
- **✓ Board Committee Briefings**
- ✓ Partner Briefings (Dart, Deck Park, Txdot)
- √ Staff Workshops
- √ Staff Survey
- ✓ Volunteer Survey
- ✓ Member Survey
- ✓ Member Focus Groups
- √ City Staff Briefings
- √ Council & PB Briefings
- √ Community Meetings

## Over 12 Months of Planning

#### **Key Questions Addressed**

- ✓ Increased Parking Capacity (2,500+ spaces)
- √ Better Car Traffic Flow to Zoo
- ✓ Better Foot Traffic Flow in Park
- √ Better Linkage to Neighbors(DART, Deck Park)
- √ Growth in Education Capacity & Profile
- ✓ Larger Platform for Conservation Partnerships (inside and outside zoo)
- √ Top Line Revenue Growth
- ✓ New Anchor Exhibits
- ✓ Re-Investment in Zoo North
- **✓ Enhancements to key Anchor Exhibits**
- √ Fully utilize Zoo Foot Print & Assets
- √ Plan for post- monorail
- ✓ Better Year-Round experience
- √ Transition from Zoo to Destination

## Over 12 Months of Planning

#### **Opportunities**

- ✓ Transcend "Just the Zoo" to an "Anchor Destination"
- ✓ Drive positive impact into South Dallas/Oak Cliff
- ✓ Continue this incredible success streak
  for the Dallas Zoo----Attendance, Mission, --Fabric of the City

## Overview

#### Four Focus Areas...Arrival & Entry, First Encounter, North, South (Wilds of Africa)

Distinct, Integrated, Complimentary
Dynamic, Experiential, Guest & Animal Focused
New Species and Animal Care
Drive Attendance and Revenue and Mission, Community Impact



## Arrival & Entry



#### **Parking**

Capacity - Initially adds 600+ spaces North garage adds another 670 spaces Staff adds 270+ spaces Drop Off Zones and Elevated Crossing

#### Entry Village

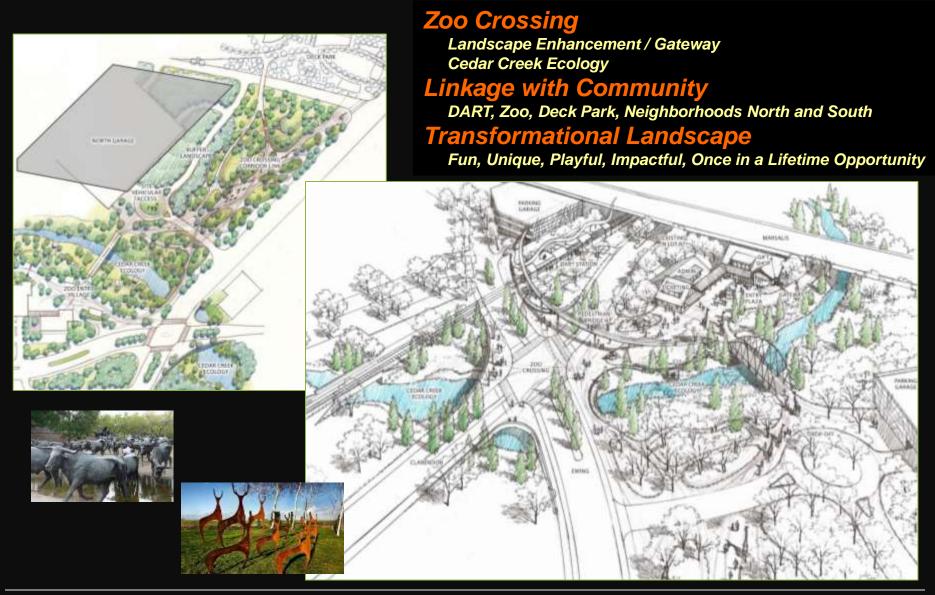
New Ticketing
Expanded Gift and Guest Services
Consolidated Admin Services
Cedar Creek Ecology
Guest Intro to Zoo Mission
Animal Encounters with Guests
70-80% Revenue at Front Door

#### Ewing Street Widening

Complete Street Accommodated Storm Culvert Remediation



# **Arrival & Entry**



# Arrival & Entry — Parking Garage Advancement



## First Encounter

#### First Animal Encounter

High Energy and Engaging First Encounter New Species Demos and Shows Baja California Habitat

#### Linkage + Amenities

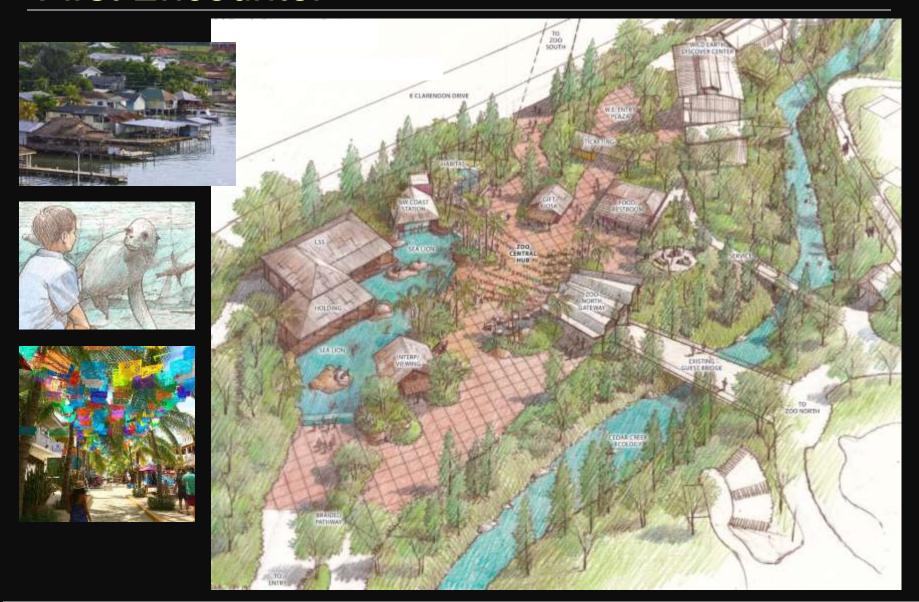
Key Intersection with Zoo North and South Links to Wild Earth Discovery Center Secondary Entry Plaza...Food, Gift, Restrooms Cedar Creek Ecology Guest Intro to Zoo Mission



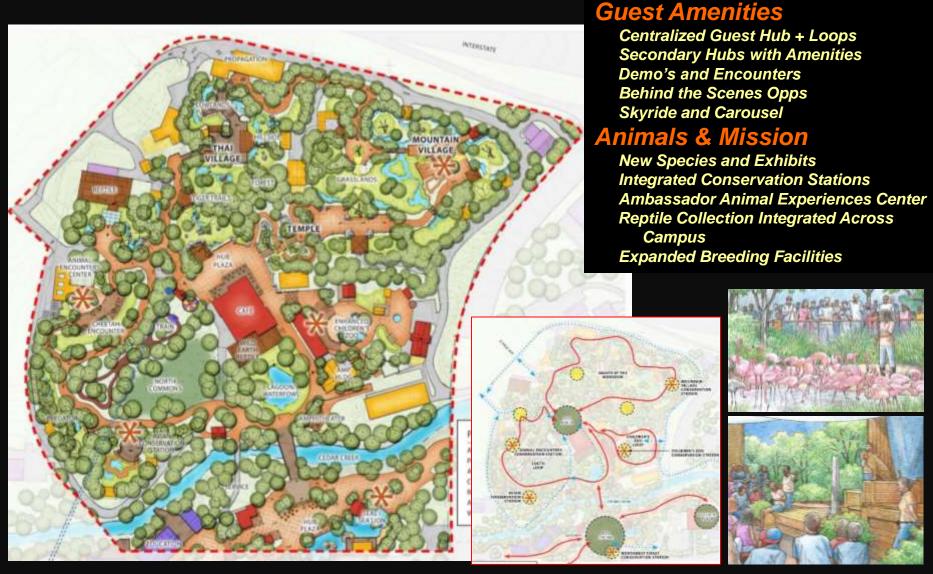




# First Encounter



## Zoo North

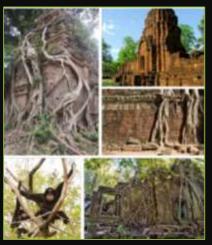


## Zoo North

#### Giants of the Forest

New Species...Orangutan, One-Horned Rhino, Sloth Bear Animals All Around...Encounters Optional Phased Implementation Themed Experiences and Trails









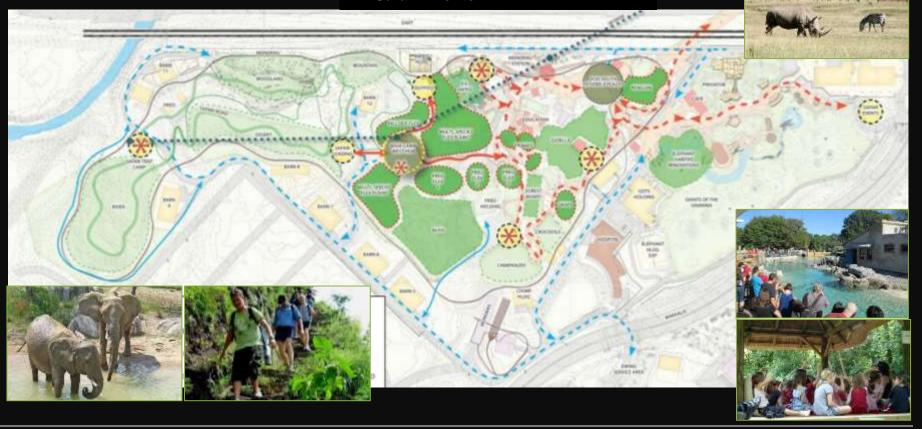
# Zoo South (Wilds of Africa)

#### **Animals and Mission**

New and Renovated Exhibits
New Expanded Penguin
Elephant Enhancements
Integrated Conservation Stations
Reptile Collection w Indoor Viewing
Panoramic Habitat Views

#### **Guest Amenities**

New Base Camp West and Trails Safari Truck Ride Eco-Hike Trail Demo's and Encounters Behind the Scenes Opps Skyride Link Safari Events



# Options Beyond the Monorail - Safari Truck Ride





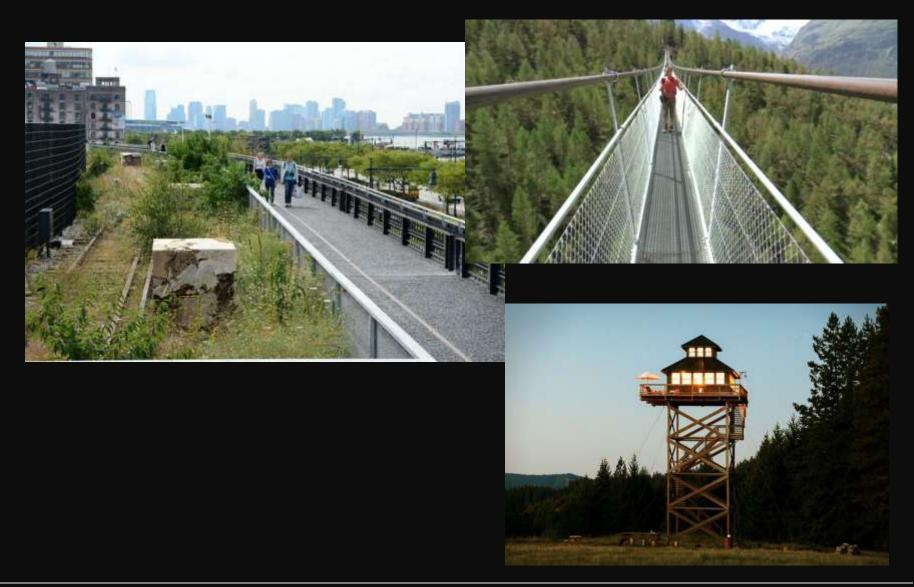




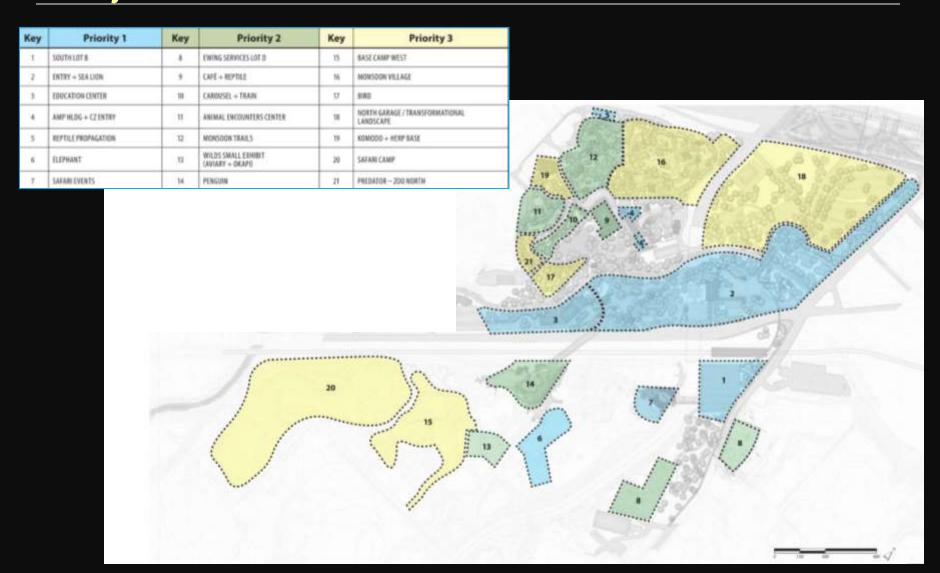
# Options Beyond Monorail - Ropes/Adventure Course



# Options Beyond the Monorail — Paths/Boardwalk



# **Project Priorities**



## Over 12 Months of Planning

#### **What's Next?**

- ✓ Park Board Approval
- √ Key Partner Briefings (donor, foundations, corp partners)
- √ Determine size and scope of 1<sup>st</sup> Campaign
- √ Branding Overlay
- ✓ Implement Community Advisory Group
- √ Work with City, Chamber on Jobs Program
- ✓ Develop Oak Cliff Impact Program for purchasing goods, services & contracts
- √ Strongly integrate new plan into over all Deck Plan development
- √ Manage sequencing to minimize impact of visitors





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