

THE UNDERDECK

An architectural rendering of a modern urban underdeck. The scene is viewed from a low angle, looking down a wide, paved walkway. On the left, there is a raised planter bed filled with various green plants and trees. A man with a backpack is riding a red bicycle along this path. In the center, a man and a woman are walking together. On the right, a woman is walking away from the camera, holding the hand of a small child. In the background, more people are walking and cycling, and a set of stairs leads up to a higher level. The overall atmosphere is bright and active, suggesting a vibrant public space. The title 'THE UNDERDECK' is overlaid in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters, centered horizontally and framed by two white horizontal bars.



Figure 3: Black Baptists organized and built Mt. Zion Church in 1896.
Source: The Black Archives





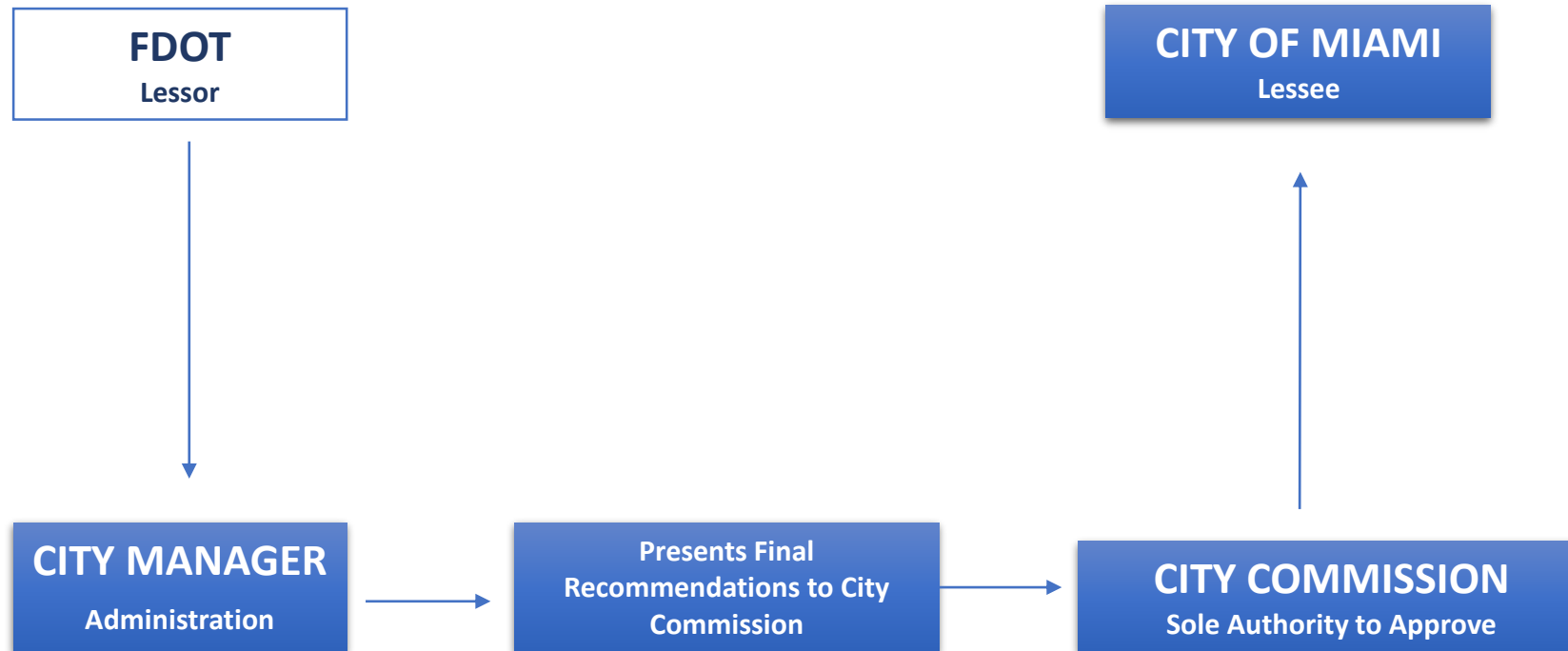


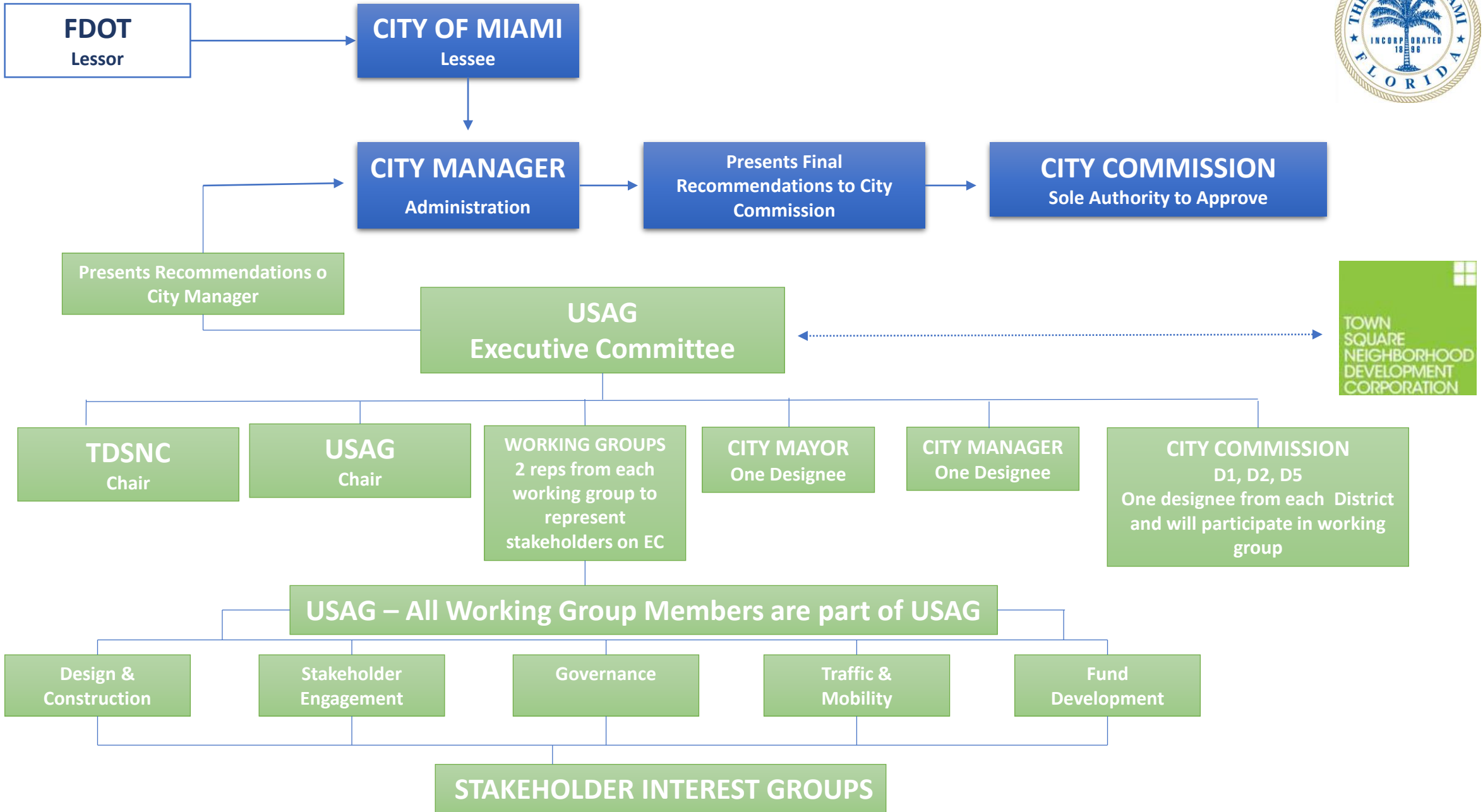


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THE UNDERDECK COMMITTEE -
WHAT IS OUR ROLE?

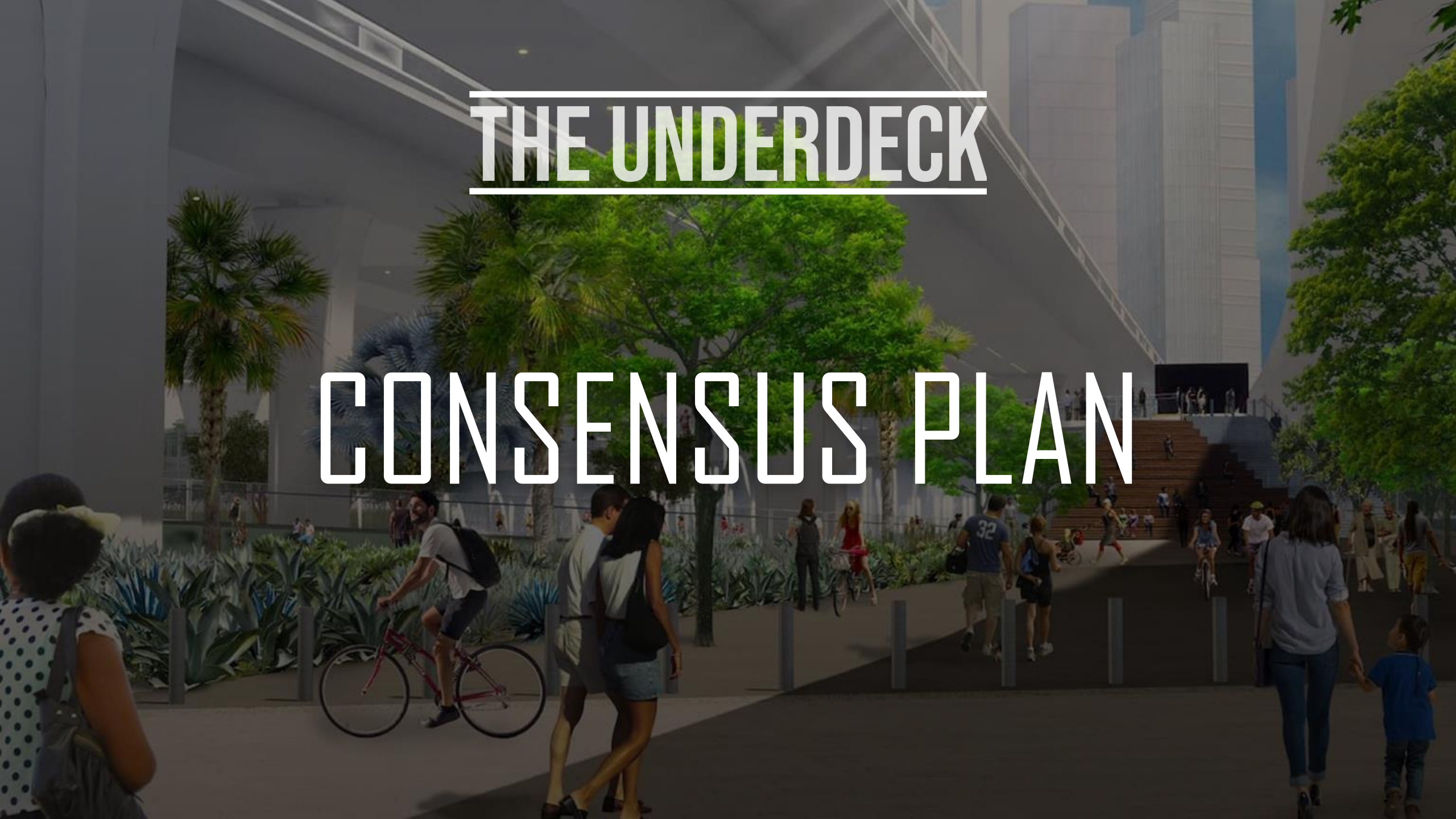






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CONSENSUS PLAN



THE UNDERDECK BY THE NUMBERS

33 ACRE
Public Open Space

3 ACRES
Lawn

15 ACRES
Urban Gardens

12 ACRES
Pathways + Plazas

1 MILE
Central Promenade

1,250
Trees



Lighting



Public Art



Site Furniture



Playgrounds



Splash Pad



Amphitheater



Signature
Pedestrian
Bridge



Multi-Use
Court



Dog Play Area



Parking Lots



Comfort
Stations



Food & Drink



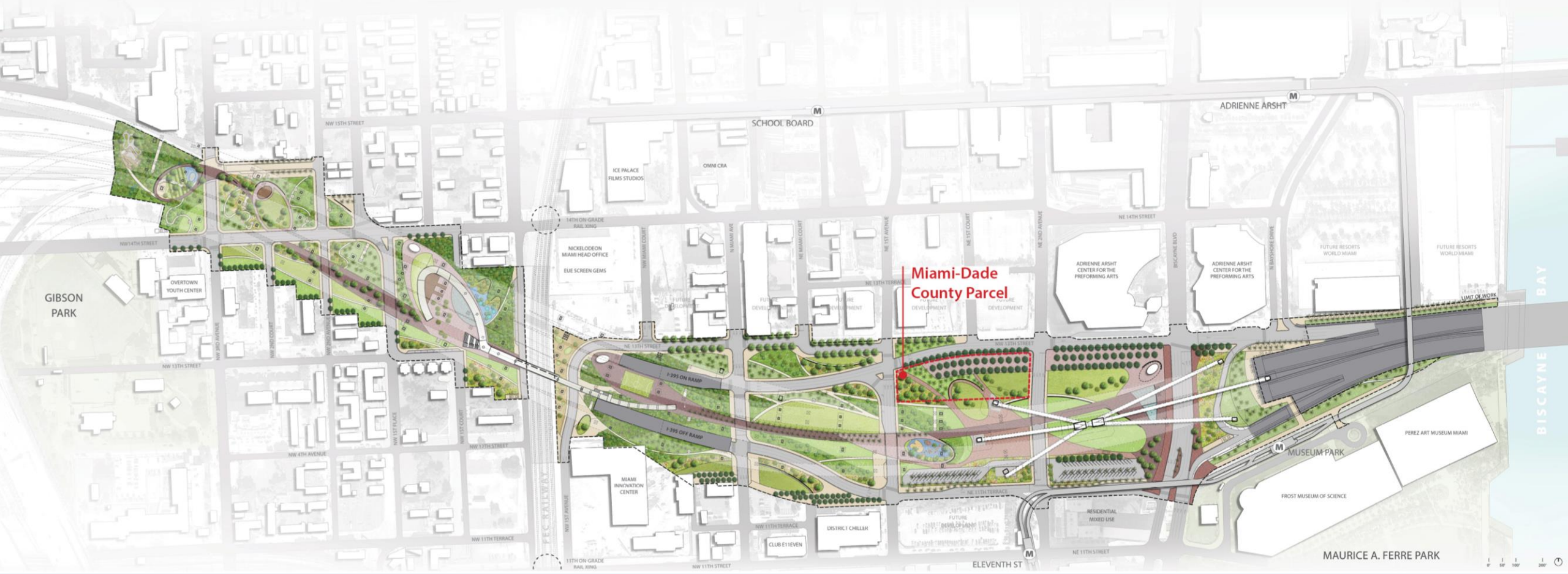
Interactive
Water Fountains

Consensus Plan (2022)

1 MILE

GIBSON PARK ← ----- → BISCAYNE BAY

FEC RAILWAY



Consensus Plan (West)



Multi-Use Stage &
Performance Lawn

Maximized Softscape

Improved
Streetscapes





Interactive Water Feature

Signature Pedestrian Bridge

Traffic Calming Measures



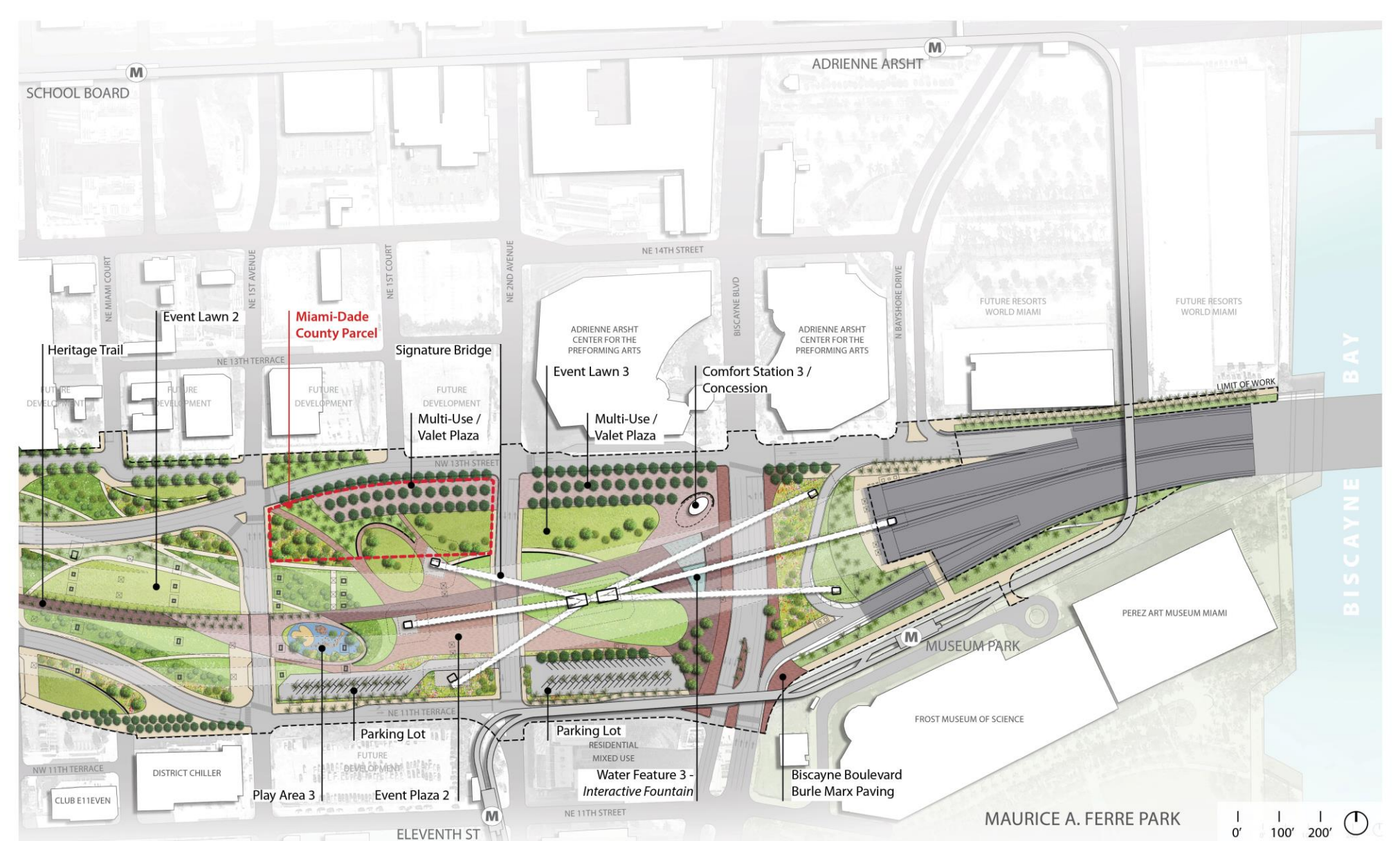


Canopy Trees & Understory Trees

Heritage Trail Multi-Use Plazas



Consensus Plan (East)



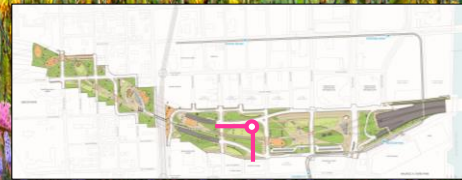


Multi-Use Lawns

Site Furniture

Multi-Use Sports Court & Dog Play

Native & Adapted Urban Gardens



Additional enhancement costs



Site Furniture

Play Areas

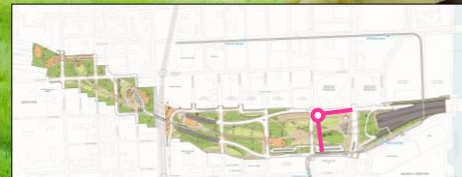
Native & Adapted Urban Gardens



Concession

Interactive Water Feature

Multi-Use Lawn



An architectural rendering of a modern urban plaza. The scene is viewed from a low angle, looking down a wide, paved walkway. On the left, there are lush green plants and palm trees. In the center, a man is riding a red bicycle. To the right, a woman is walking with a young child. In the background, a large, multi-story building with a glass facade and a prominent staircase is visible. The overall atmosphere is bright and active.

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RECOMMENDED GOVERNANCE

RECOMMENDED MEMBERSHIP

- (a) The Mayor of the City shall appoint one (1) Director.
- (b) The District 5 Commissioner of the City shall appoint one (1) Director
- (c) The District 2 Commissioner of the City shall appoint one (1) Director.
- (d) The Miami-Dade County Commission shall appoint one (1) Director.
- (e) The Mayor of Miami-Dade County shall appoint one (1) Director.
- (f) **TBD** [Appointment of one or two persons designated by appropriate State agency/legislator]
- (g) The Friends of the Underdeck shall appoint one (1) Director.
- (h) The Underdeck Executive Committee (“*UEC*”) shall appoint no fewer than twelve (12) and up to thirteen (13) Directors (persons appointed pursuant to clauses (a) through this clause [(f)] are referred to herein as “*Appointed Directors*”).
- (i) Those twenty-one (21) Directors shall select up to an additional five (5) Directors (each, a “*Community Representative Director*”) who represent the interests and diversity of the City at large.
- (j) The Executive Director of the Corporation shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting Director and may attend meetings of the Board and shall not be subject to Sections 4.6, 4.7 or 4.9.

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RECOMMENDED NAME



OVERTOWN MIAMI GREENWAY

The HEART of the City

THE UNDERDECK

HISTORICAL / INCLUSIVE

This is a name that smoothly encompasses the sense of the diverse neighborhoods and cultures of the adjacent communities, as prioritized in the survey results.

By using Greenway as a descriptor this name captures the strong desire from residents for a shaded, green space and not a concrete pathway, making it appealing and inviting.

This name is forward-leaning, fun, modern, and optimistic, descriptors that were popular with the survey respondents.

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Stakeholder Education & Engagement

To ensure that the Underdeck truly becomes an interactive public space that brings Miami together, the Underdeck Committee has been proactive and intentional in gathering community and stakeholder input, with a priority on facilitating meaningful engagement among Overtown residents.

Throughout the year, there has been a concerted effort to ensure the community is informed and has an opportunity to provide insights and feedback through the following:

- Community Meetings, held both in-person in various locations throughout Overtown and Downtown, and through meetings held virtually via Zoom
- Development of committees focused on engagement of small businesses and youth
- Community Liaison outreach throughout the community
- Digital surveys
- Underdeckmiami.com, an information portal that provides website visitors with information about the project and keeps stakeholders up to date on current activities and meetings
- The Underdeck Chronicle, a digital newsletter distributed to stakeholders on our mailing list
- Media relations to increase awareness

Underdeck Committee Engagement by the Numbers

Government, Project Management & Strategic Oversight

- 25 Committee members
- 13 Organizations
- 29 Working Group meetings

Stakeholder Awareness, Education & Engagement

- 17 Committee members
- 17 Organizations 40 Working Group meetings

Design, Construction, Operations & Maintenance

- 40 Committee members
- 14 Organizations
- 24 Working Group meetings

Funding Development

- 20 Committee members
- 8 Organizations
- 19 Working Group meetings

Traffic, Utilities, Mobility & Parking

- 22 Committee members
- 9 Organizations
- 17 Working Group meetings

Special Interest Groups Meeting attendees

34 Youth Engagement
24 Economic Development

Community Meetings

34 in-person/ 3 virtual
350+ attendees

Community Liaison Outreach 400+

Naming & Branding

2000+ Survey respondents
7 Focus groups
135+ Focus group members

Organizations represented	31
Executive Committee members	17
Working Groups	5
Working Groups meetings	129

**Q&A and session
evaluations are
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