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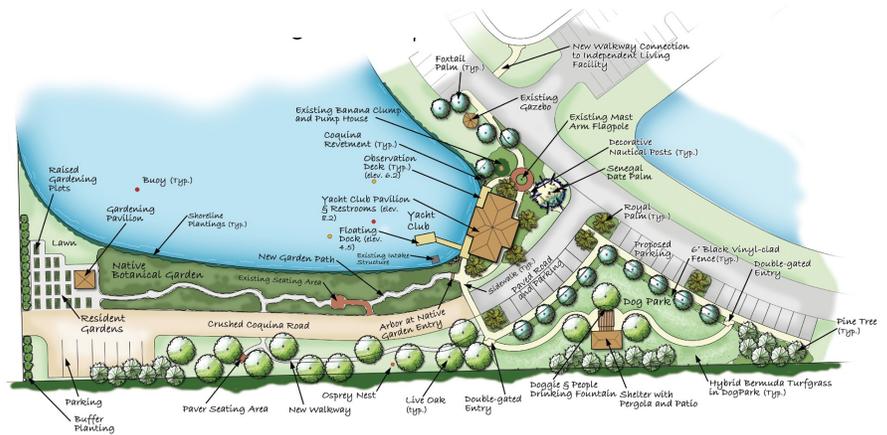
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Cypress Cove Resident Park

Resident Park is a unique portion of Cypress Cove, catering to four distinct user-groups. The design retains its original, relaxing “feel” yet incorporates new amenities and features such as:



The Yacht Club

... for operating remote-controlled boats and hosting social gatherings, particularly during Regattas.

The entry of Resident Park is defined by a roadway with 12 head-in parking spaces facing the Yacht Club Pavilion. Flanked by four stately Royal Palms and elevated slightly above road-level, this pavilion is an open-air wood structure with a green standing seam roof, nautical themed retractable blue canvas awnings and decorative posts with rope. The existing mast arm flagpole remained in its original location, providing a strong identifying feature already familiar to residents. A specimen Senegal Date Palm is situated between the mast arm and the pavilion at the entrance to the Resident Park. The Yacht Club connects to the Independent Living Facility, restrooms, and a gazebo via a pathway lined on both sides with Foxtail Palms. With such close proximity to the water, the pavilion provides an excellent venue for viewing regattas hosted on site. On the back side of the pavilion are spacious, open decks and a ramp down to a floating dock for launching yachts.

Native Botanical Gardens

...a specially curated collection of native plants with strolling pathways and a casual, natural feel.

To the north of the Yacht Club, an Arbor signifies the entryway into the Native Botanical Gardens. Shoreline plantings were added, not only along the Native Botanical gardens, but for the entire perimeter of the Resident Park water's edge. Materials for the Botanical Gardens incorporate a combination of shell/marl surfaces and asphalt, connecting to the existing shell-lined edge treatment in the area.



Resident Gardens

...a venue for residents to garden in raised plots.

The sunniest location, in the far NE corner of the site, was selected to house an arrangement of twenty raised 7 ft. by 3 ft. gardening plots.

Known as the Resident Gardens, it replaced 18 existing plots previously located near The Lodge. New areas were also included for unloading potting soil, plants, and other garden supplies as well as a new Garden Pavilion for use by both resident gardeners and native plant enthusiasts. Its appearance is similar to that of the Yacht Club Pavilion, but without the nautical details.



A substantial planting buffer was installed at the far north end of the Resident Park site, providing a visual separation between the Cypress Cove park and the adjacent residential community (Sail Harbour at Healthpark).

Dog Park

... providing both off-leash play for Cypress Cove dogs and a place for social interaction among their owners.

The remainder of the site was used for the new Dog Park. Existing Brazilian Pepper Trees and other non-native vegetation were cleared out, and a 6' high black vinyl-clad fence surrounds the perimeter. Multiple entrance points are included, each with double gates and a hose for washing the dogs off.



Two of the entrances adjoin parking areas, which are buffered by a planted border and lined by Foxtail Palms. Royal Palms are used at the corners of the parking areas, visually forming a strong park entry statement with the other Royal Palms across the street at the Yacht Pavilion. The third entrance to the Dog Park provides a connection to the Native Botanical Gardens. This serves two purposes:

- * The paved walkway from the Dog Park to the Native Garden entry point leads users down this narrower path, terminating just beyond this entry point at a seating area.
- * Residents can exit here, cross the roadway, and go back home taking a different route, passing by the Native Botanical Gardens. Doggie bag stations are situated conveniently along the new pathway, so that the plants do not become “over-fertilized”.

In the central portion of the Dog Park, a Shelter is nestled among three newly-planted Oaks, providing a gathering spot for dog owners to gather and socialize. The shelter has a pergola over an extended patio and a water fountain located at the far end, providing a drinkable water source for both canines and their owners alike.

At the south end of the Dog Park, a grove of existing Pine Trees was retained, with five of the specimens being transplanted to the southern end of the Resident Park, behind the Gardening Pavilion.

The Cypress Cove Resident Park was developed with a significant amount of input from Cypress Cove residents, stakeholders, and management. With so much community involvement, the Resident Park will be a place of great enjoyment for years to come.



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