



SAN PEDRO SPRINGS PARK PUBLIC ART

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PUBLIC ART PROCESS



*Approval from Public Art Committee & San Antonio Arts Commission (Public Meetings)



WHAT IS COSA PUBLIC ART?

Mission: *We open the landscape to diverse voices and narratives to create engaging public art for San Antonio's residents and visitors.*

- Art in a public place that has been through a public engagement process to help inform important design features
- Developed by artists & unique (not mass produced)
- Approved by San Antonio Arts Commission (SAAC) & Public Art Committee (PAC)

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Location: San Pedro Springs Park,
2200 N Flores St, San Antonio, TX 78212

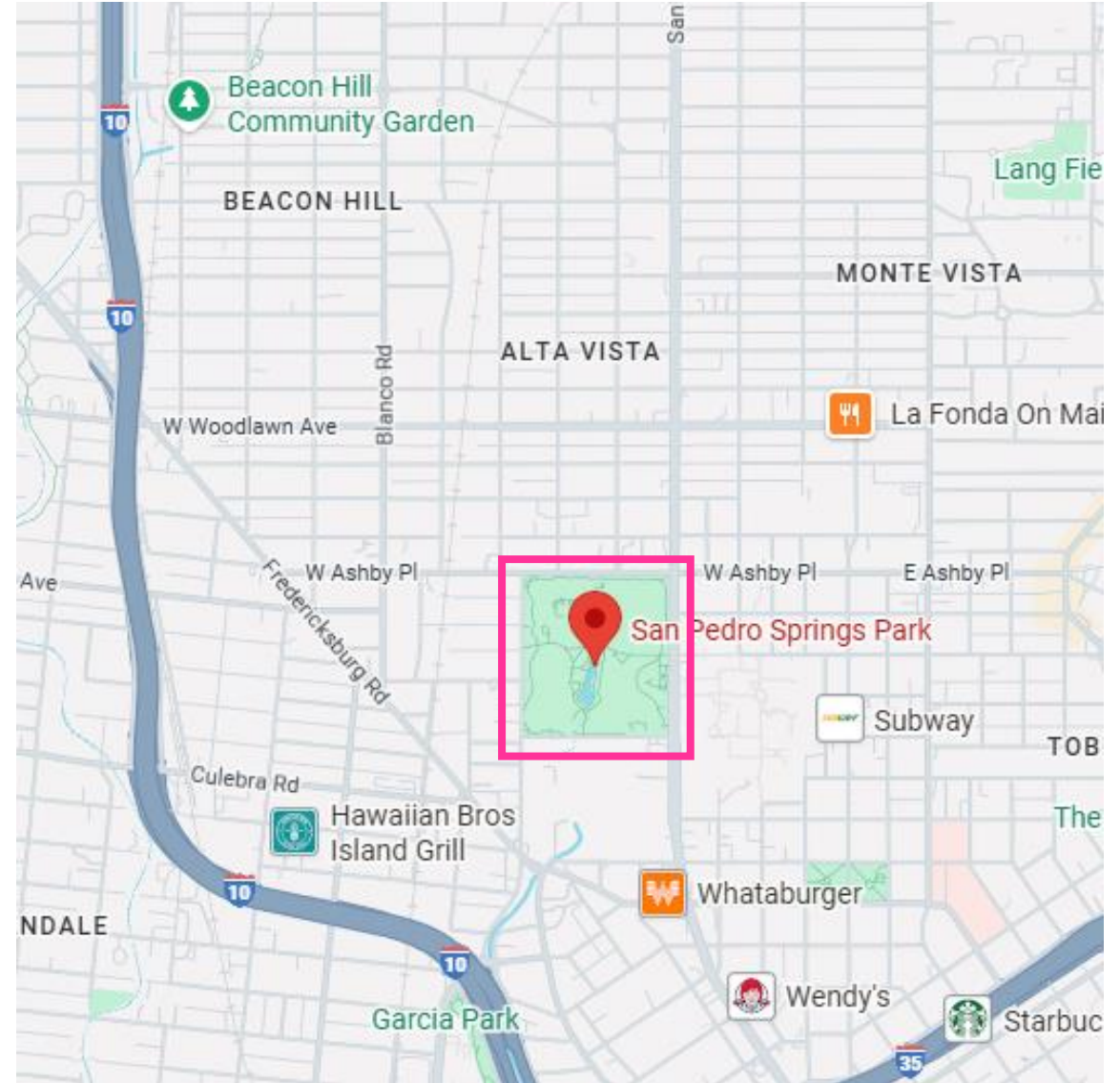
Funding: 2022-2027 Bond, Parks

Capital Delivery Department Scope:

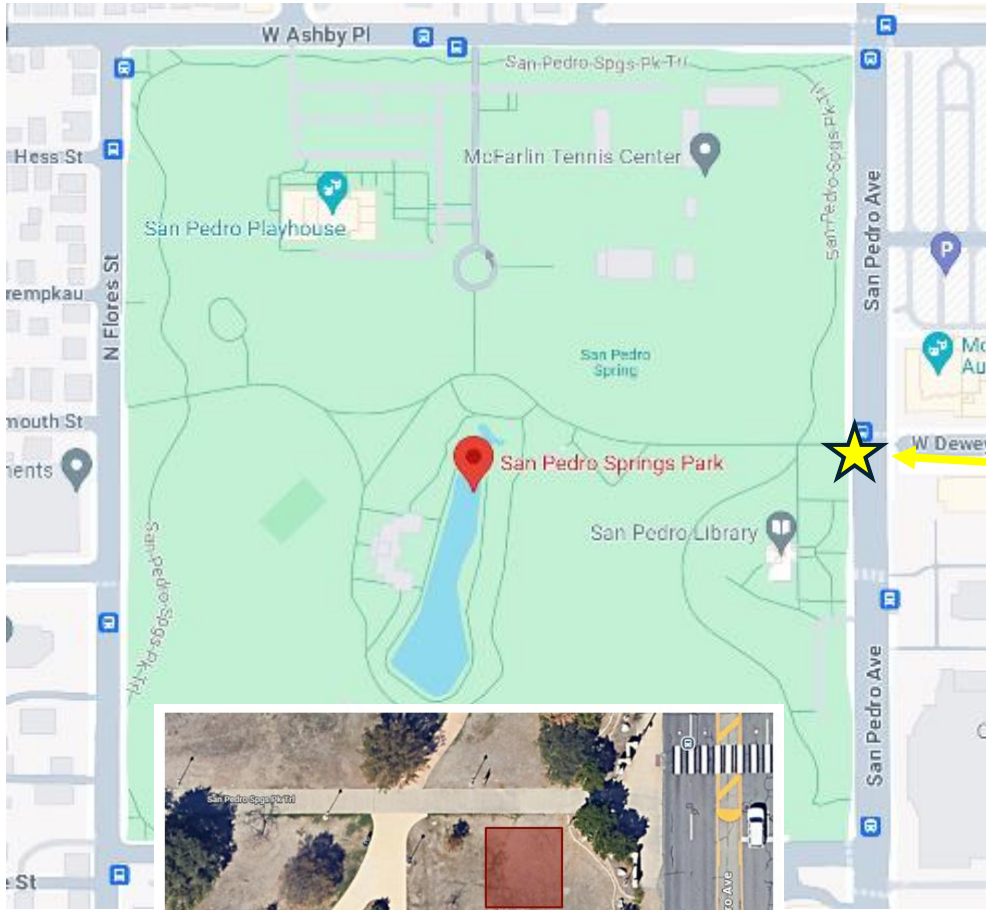
Park improvements, tree planting plan and park lighting plan

Stakeholders:

- Council District 1
- Capital Delivery Department
- Parks & Recreation
- Design team
- Park stakeholders (Friends of San Pedro Springs Park, San Pedro Springs Park Conservancy, San Pedro Playhouse)
- Visitors to the park
- Nearby neighbors and businesses
 - Alta Vista Neighborhood Association & neighboring associations



APPROXIMATE ART LOCATION



Street view of San Pedro Ave near San Pedro Branch Library (on the left)



LOCATION HISTORY

San Pedro Springs Park is the oldest park in San Antonio, and the 40-acre park offers the community opportunities for recreation, nature and connection to our city's history. The historic San Pedro Playhouse, McFarlin Tennis Center and San Pedro Branch Library are all located within the park.



Source: <https://www.sa.gov/Directory/Departments/Parks/Parks-Facilities/Parks/Directory/San-Pedro-Springs-Park>

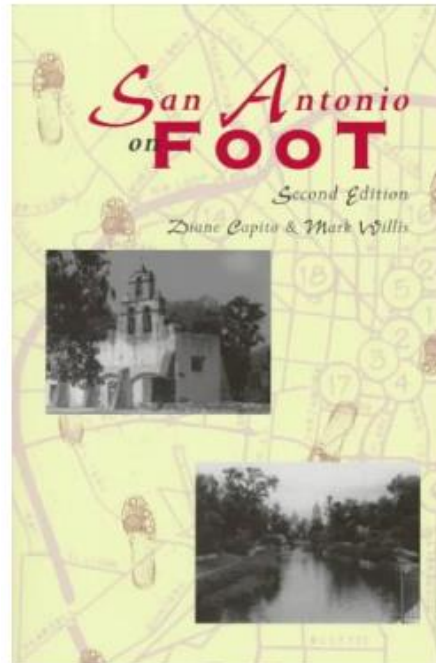
Archival research encouraged.

Suggested resources:

- Texas State Historical Association
- National Park Service
- COSA Parks & Recreation
- Edwards Aquifer

Key points for research:

- History of park and/or springs
- Environmental significance
- Recreational activities that take place



Source: <https://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/entries/san-pedro-springs-park>

ARTWORK THEME

Considerations:

- **Archaeological and historical** significance in the area
- **Walking paths** are the primary activity of park users
- **Maintenance & upkeep** are immediate priorities
- **VIA Metropolitan Rapid Greenline** infrastructure
- Natural environment of the park

Three key pillars:

- History
- Nature
- Recreation



Important reminders:

This is the inspiration/launch point for artwork design.

Artists are expected to research the location's history as part of their proposal.



2000. *Unique Tiles, Medallions, and Markers*, Jack Robbins. Tile, porcelain enamel.