

History of Pensacola Parks

A Project of the Pensacola Parks & Recreation Department

Overview

The City of Pensacola maintains 93 parks and open spaces designed to enhance the quality of life of all citizens and visitors of Pensacola. To preserve the heritage of our parks, the Pensacola Parks and Recreation Department launched a project in 2016 to document the history of Pensacola parks. Since then, City staff and volunteers have visited every park, researched the history of those parks, and documented the monuments and other amenities in the parks. The following chart summarizes the history of Pensacola's parks and the monuments located there.

This document remains a work in progress and will be updated periodically. If you have additions or corrections, please send them to our Marketing Division at prmarketing@cityofpensacola.com. Thank you for supporting your Parks and Recreation Department, and we hope you enjoy Pensacola's wonderful parks.

Park Name	Location	Acres	Date Established/Historical/Cultural significance	Monuments in Park and Significance
1.ADMIRAL MASON PARK	200 South 9 th Ave.	5.8	c. 1940s From the 1950s to the early 1980s, this was the site of a baseball stadium called Admiral Mason Park, named in honor of Admiral Charles P. Mason, a Vice Admiral in the United States Navy and two-time mayor of Pensacola. The 2000-seat stadium was the home for minor league baseball in Pensacola. The league folded in 1962, and the park languished for two decades before being demolished. In 1991, the City of Pensacola appropriated the site of the former stadium for the planned Wall South, a replica of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial in Washington, D.C. The site has since become known as Veteran's Memorial Park and is the home to several other monuments.	*See Veteran's Park listing for monuments.
2.ALABAMA SQUARE	401 West Gonzalez St.	1.3	1884 Alabama Square is one of the city's oldest squares, appearing on a map from 1884.	
3.ALLEN PARK	141 Calloway Ave.	1.9	c. 1955 This park was dedicated and named for the late Mr. James A. Allen.	
4.ANDALUSIA SQUARE	1501 E. Cervantes St.	2.4	1884 Andalusia Square is one of the city's oldest squares, appearing on a map from 1884.	*Concrete marker noting a tree that was planted in honor of Miss Nell Burrow. Miss Burrow was president of the Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs from 1931 – 1933.
5.ARAGON PARK	540 Aragon St.	0.25	c. 1945 Aragon Park was completed in October 1972 when over 100 men, women, and children got together and did the work themselves. The park is adjacent to what was a public housing community and is now a development of luxury homes. When dedicated in 1972, the park was under the authority of the Aragon Park Recreation Association.	

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6.ARMSTRONG PARK	300 West Lakeview Ave.	2.1	c. 1950's Armstrong Park was established by the Rotary Club, which also furnished all of the playground equipment.	
7.AVIATION DISCOVERY PARK	4200 Jerry Maygarden Rd.	0.82	October 7, 2006 The General Daniel "Chappie" James, Jr. Aviation Discovery Park project in Pensacola was undertaken by Pensacola Area Flight Watch, an organization dedicated to the interests of general aviation, and the promotion of aviation among our youth. It has also been used as a way to garner support for the airport among citizens of the area by making the airport and its operations easily visible to them. It also is a way to generate an interest in aviation on the part of younger citizens.	*Signage describing how the park came to be and the many hours, volunteers and money that went into making the park a reality. *Donor Wall of Honor showing donor names etched in stone tiles. *Located on the LEAP Trail near Aviation Discovery Park is a granite marker under a tree dedicated to the memory of Daniel Eric Doelker.
8.BAARS PARK	4340 N. 12 th Ave.	14.0	The Baars family has included prominent landowners in Pensacola since the early 1900s. Henry Gerhard Baars came to Pensacola after the Civil War to enter the pitch pine trade. He married Mary Ellison Dunwody and they had 8 children, of whom only 4 lived to adulthood. It was Henry's son Theo Baars who started acquiring massive acres of land and helped shape real estate in Pensacola. Although it is not known when the land for Baars Park was given to the city, a newspaper clipping from January 1955 makes mention of Theo Baars giving the land to the city for the park.	

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9.BARTRAM PARK	211 Bayfront Pkwy.	2.3	1977 Bartram Park is named for naturalist William Bartram who wrote about his travels in Alabama, Florida, Georgia and South Carolina. An overnight stay in Pensacola on September 5, 1775, offered William Bartram a chance to write down his impressions of the sleepy little shipping village of Pensacola. He related in his book <i>Travels</i> , published in 1791, how pleased he was to have visited Pensacola.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Identifying signage. *Informational signage titled “Supremacy, Siege, and the Sea.” *Informational signage titled “Defending a Coastal Colony.” *Informational signage relating to the DeSoto Trail. *Bronze memorial plaque to Timmothy David Showalter. *Wooden bench in memoriam of Timmothy David Showalter. *Sculpture entitled <i>Muscle Beach</i>. *Plaque for sculpture entitled <i>Muscle Beach</i>. *Homemade memorial to Cecil Warren Davis. *Fiesta of Five Flags monument depicting past De Lunas. *Memorial pavers around the monument.
10.BAY BLUFFS PRESERVE	3400 Scenic Hwy.	26.0	1984 Dating back to the 1750s, abundant clay deposits in these highly eroded bluffs provided the raw material for brickyards of the day. Rising from 50 to 75 feet above Escambia Bay, the bluffs are a landmark and unique geological feature in Florida.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Dedication Monument dated September 14, 1984. *City signage.
11.BAYCLIFF ESTATES	4150 Montaigne Dr.	8.5	c. 1970 The Baycliff Estates subdivision began in the early to mid 1970s. This park is named for the subdivision.	
12.BAYOU TEXAR BOAT RAMP	2700 East Cervantes St.	2.6	1984 In 1984, Bayou Blvd. was closed from Strong Street to Cervantes Street to allow for the construction of the boat ramp.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Dedication monument August 24, 1984.

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13.BAYVIEW PARK	2001 E. Lloyd St.	29	1905 Bayview Park was the site of City's first Independence Day celebration. The park has gone through many changes over the years. At one time, it was a popular swimming spot in Pensacola, boasting a large diving tower in Bayou Texar. For decades it has been the site of the annual Easter Egg Hunt that attracts hundreds of children every year. Marriages are performed there, and concerts and charity events have long been staple activities conducted in Bayview Park.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Blue wooden cat. *Granite monument dedicated to the memory of Tim Bonifay, an avid skier who passed away in 1979. *Plaque dedicated to C. Frasier Phelps, sponsored and donated by the Junior Chamber of Commerce on April 17, 1949. Mr. Phelps was President of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1942 and the Chairman of the Junior Chamber of Commerce's Easter Sunrise committee in 1941. *Amphitheater. *Bayview Tennis Courts monument c. 1920, by the Friends of Tennis. *Plaque in memory of Larry Caton who passed away in 2009. *Signage on Dog Beach dedicated to Byron and "Charley" Campbell. Mr. Campbell was an avid dog person and was instrumental in the development of the dog parks at Bayview Park. Charley was his beloved four legged friend. *Bayview Cross, erected in 1941 by the Pensacola Junior Chamber of Commerce.
14.BAYWOODS PARK	4597 Baywoods Dr.	12.0	Named for the subdivision in which it was developed.	
15.BELVEDERE PARK	4001 San Gabriel Dr.	6.6	Named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
16.BILL GREGORY PARK	150 N. "W" St.	5.9	The park is named after Bill Gregory. At the present time, the park is closed due to the construction of a retention pond. After completion, all park signage will be returned and the little league field will be reconstructed and once again named for Edward O'Brien Pursell, who was instrumental in bringing little league baseball to the area.	

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17.BRYAN PARK	1200 Langley Ave.	6.2	2011 For many years this park was a passive field, with soccer being the only purpose. In 2008, the Tryon Branch Library was relocated to the site and opened the door for the development of the park as it is today. Completed in 2011, the park developed through public and private funds now boasts some unique features, including the Born Learning Trail, a sensory garden, as well as a pirate ship play structure.	*Bronze plaque alongside a bench, in memory of Joel Norman, friend and neighbor.
18.CAMELOT PARK	7705 Gallahad Rd.	3.3	Named for the subdivision in which it was developed.	
19.CATALONIA SQUARE	2300 N. 12 th Ave.	2.4	1884 Catalonia Square is one of the city's oldest squares, appearing on a map from 1884.	
20.CECIL T. HUNTER POOL			Cecil T. Hunter served on the City Council for 12 years and during that time served on a variety of boards and committees. He was the driving force behind the construction of the pool.	*Dedication monument.

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21.CHAPPIE JAMES MEM. PK.	1608 Dr. MLK, Jr. Blvd.	0.27	<p>1920 General Daniel “Chappie” James was born in the house in 1920 that has now become the Daniel “Chappie” James Memorial Park. General James rose quickly through the ranks in the Air Force, becoming the first African American 4 Star General in 1975.</p> <p>General James became a Tuskegee Airman in 1943. He flew 101 combat missions in the Korean Conflict. In 1966 he was named vice commander of the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing in Thailand, flying 78 combat missions over North Vietnam. As commander of an Air Force base in Libya, General James faced down a threatening Libyan Colonel named Mohamar Khadafi over his attempted entry into the General’s base. Throughout his career he was always proud of his Pensacola roots.</p>	*The Daniel “Chappie” James birthplace has been placed on the National Register of Historic Sites and is so signified by an informational marker at the site.
22.CHIMNEY PARK	5500 Scenic Hwy.	2.2	<p>1980s The park is centered around the remnants of a brick chimney, once part of the steam power plant for the Hyer-Knowles Planing Mill. When Confederate General Braxton Bragg evacuated his forces from Pensacola in March 1862, he was given a “scorched earth” command by Secretary of War Judah P. Benjamin to “destroy all machinery private and public, which could be useful to the enemy: especially disable the sawmills in and around the bay.”</p>	<p>*Hyer-Knowles Planing Mill informational marker. *Glass case containing the history of the chimney. *Bronze Plaque in a brick monument signifying that the property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places by the United States Department of the Interior on May 24, 2012. *Memorial plaque to Christopher Wallace 1953-2012. *Remains of the chimney.</p>

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23.COBB COMM. CENTER	602 E. Mallory St.	1.5	1967 Cobb Center is named for Dr. Eli Sanford Cobb. He graduated from Washington High School and Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. He began his practice in 1916 in Pensacola. He entered the army during World War I in 1918. Upon his discharge in 1919, he resumed his practice in Pensacola. A lover of sports, Dr. Cobb organized two semi-pro teams – the Pensacola Seagulls Baseball Team and the Pensacola Giants Football Team.	*Bronze informational marker.
24.COMM. MARITIME PK.	300 W. Main St.	16.0	2012 The Vince Whibbs, Sr. Community Maritime Park opened in 2012. It is the home to Fetterman Field, the home of the Blue Wahoos Double A baseball team and the Randal K. and Martha A. Hunter Amphitheater. Vince Whibbs served as Mayor of Pensacola from 1978-1991, and was a superb ambassador for all things City of Pensacola.	*Life-size statue of Vince Whibbs. *Bronze plaque thanking the Downtown Pensacola Rotary Club for their leadership role in the design, fund raising, construction, and opening of the Centennial Rotary Playground. *Maritime Park Dedication plaque. *Fetterman Field Dedication plaque. *Blue Wahoos Mission Statement plaque. *Randal K. and Martha A. Hunter Amphitheater signage. *Paver noting 100 years of Rotary by Bob and Cindy Hart. *Paver memorial to Stacy Swartz. *Paver honoring grandchildren of Frank and Sylvia Bell. *Numerous pavers.
25.CORDOVA SQUARE	1101 N. 12 th Ave.	2.4	1884 Cordova Square is one of the city’s oldest squares, appearing on a map from 1884.	*Signage on gazebo signifying that the gazebo was built by the East Hill Neighborhood Association and depicting their mission. The gazebo was built in honor of Colleen McDonough, founding member of the EHNA.

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26.CORINNE JONES PARK	620 W. Government St.	4.6	<p>Corinne Harvey Jackson Jones was born September 1, 1897 in Pensacola, FL. She was named for, given to and raised by her Godmother Mrs. Corinne Harvey, who had no children of her own. Mrs. Jones began her significant civic contributions in the 1930s by using her home to house the Works Progress Administration’s Pensacola headquarters, where she helped train hundreds of men and women for jobs.</p> <p>When WWII broke out, Mrs. Jones went to work as an aircraft mechanic at Pensacola’s Naval Air Station. During that time, she founded the first black Girl Scout troop in Pensacola.</p> <p>After the war, she was offered the job as Director of Fricker Community Center, where she worked from 1945 until 1962, when she retired.</p> <p>Throughout her life, Mrs. Jones was active in youth and adult organizations including the YWCA, Fiesta of Five Flags, the Green Thumbs Garden Club and the American Cancer Society. In 1965, the Recreation Board voted to name the community center known as the West Side Building after Mrs. Jones.</p> <p>In 2004, Hurricane Ivan destroyed that facility, along with Sanders Beach Community Center. The funds from insurance and other sources were combined to rebuild the facility at Sanders Beach. It was determined that that facility would share the name of Mrs. Jones.</p>	
27.D’EVEREUX PARK	4437 D’Evereux Dr.	2.4	Named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
28.DURANT PARK	Barcia and 9 th Ave.	0.69	This park was formerly known as Barcia Park. The name was changed to honor Dr. Alvin L. Durant, who has been the pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church for over 60 years.	
29.DUNMIRE WOODS PARK	1135 Northbrook Ave.	2.8	Named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	

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30.DUNWODY PARK	3600 McClellan Dr.	5.7	This park is named for the family of Mary Ellison Dunwody Baars. Her father was John Franklin Dunwody of Dairen, Ga. She was the wife of Henry Gerhard Baars.	
31.EASTGATE PARK	3500 Forest Glen Dr.	6.6	Named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
32.EASTGATE-ELIZABETH FERNIANY PEADEN PARK	6385 Audubon Dr.	2.1	This park was formerly known as Audubon-Eastgate Park. Improvements to this park were the results of the efforts of Elizabeth Ferniany Peaden. Mrs. Peaden was instrumental in securing a gazebo and other amenities. In 2009, the City changed the name to honor Mrs. Peaden.	*Plaque dedicating the gazebo to Elizabeth Ferniany Peaden, January 22, 2009.
33.EPH CENTER	3208 E. Gonzalez St.	0.35	Named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
34.EPH LIONS CLUB PARK	2900 E. Gonzalez St.	2.6	Named for the support of the Lions Club and the neighborhood in which it sits.	
35.ESTRAMADURA SQUARE	1500 E. Lakeview Ave.	2.4	Estramadura Square is named for a Spanish region bordering Portugal.	
36.MIKE DESORBO EXCHANGE PARK	3100 E. Lakeview Ave.	14.0	Exchange Park is named for the Exchange Club of Pensacola, who pledged their support for the field as it was being developed in 1970. Since then, they have devoted countless dollars and time to the success of the park. Recently, the name of Michael J. DeSorbo has been added to Exchange Park to honor Mr. DeSorbo, who was a long time City Councilman and all time sports supporter. He currently serves as park manager there.	
37.FAIRCHILD PARK	2029 Fairchild Dr.	5.1	Named for the street on which it is located.	
38.FIRESTONE PARK	1900 E. Baars St.	0.09	This park is named for Mary Firestone Baars, wife of Theo Baars, who was a very prominent land holder in Pensacola.	

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39.FIVE FLAGS PARK	1401 E. Gregory St.	0.43	This park is significant in that it showcases the flags of the five countries that have ruled Pensacola. Those countries are: Spain, France, Britain, the Confederacy, and the United States.	
40.FLORIDA SQUARE	602 N. Palafox St.	1.8	<p>June 17, 1891</p> <p>Florida Square is a Civil War memorial park in downtown Pensacola. Situated atop Gage Hill on the former site of Fort George and Fort McClellan, it was known as Florida Square until renamed for Confederate General Robert E. Lee in 1889. In 1891, after years of fundraising and planning, a 30-foot monument to “our Confederate dead” was erected in the park, featuring a large granite sculpture of a Confederate soldier, modeled after a painting by John Adams Elder. The monument is dedicated to Jefferson Davis, Stephen R. Mallory, Edward Aylesworth Perry and “the Uncrowned Heroes of the Southern Confederacy. In 2020, Pensacola City Council voted 6-1 to remove the monument and 7-0 to change Lee Square back to its original name of Florida Square.</p>	<p>*Monument to “Uncrowned Heroes of the Southern Confederacy.”</p> <p>*Cross in memory of Robert F. Meade.</p> <p>*Personal tributes to Robert F. Meade.</p>

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41.FORT GEORGE PARK	501 N. Palafox St.	0.43	<p>c. 1778</p> <p>Fort George was a British fort at Pensacola, likely built in 1778. It was the largest of three forts constructed by the British. It surrendered to Spanish forces led by General Bernardo de Gálvez following the Battle of Pensacola in 1781. The Spanish government never occupied the fort and it was allowed to deteriorate. The site was added to the National Register of Historic Places on July 8, 1974.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Dedication plaque commemorating the American Revolution. *Plaque dedicated to the Sons of the American Revolution Florida Society. *Informational plaque – Native Americans. *Informational plaque – the Soldiers of 1781. *Informational plaque – Fuerte San Miguel. *Informational plaque – Jackson’s Invasion. *Plaque explaining Archaeology at Fort George. *Wall of informational plaques. *Cannons used in American Revolution. *Plaque signifying Colonial Archaeological Trail. *Informational plaque – British Pensacola. *Informational plaque – Fort George. *Informational plaque – Gálvez. *Informational plaque – Battle of Pensacola. *Stone monument and bust of Bernardo de Gálvez, donated by Spain on the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Pensacola. *Battle of Pensacola roadside marker. *Cannons atop hill.
42.FRICKER COMM. CENTER	900 N. “F” St.	2.1	<p>Fricker Community Center is named for Frank Fricker who was an original member of the Recreation Board. His service began in 1943 and continued until 1958.</p>	

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43.GEORGIA SQUARE	1000 N. Palafox St.	0.74	<p>c. 1800s</p> <p>Georgia Square is one of the city's oldest parks. In 1908, the board of public works had to devise a plan to build a hard road on Palafox Street to divert a road that had been cut through the park for convenience. At the time, there was nothing in the park but overgrown wilderness, so travel took a short cut through the square.</p> <p>In 1969, half of Georgia Square was named Miranda Square. It seemed that the city had a bust of General Miranda, but no place to put it, so the park was divided to allow for the placement.</p>	
44.GRANADA SQUARE	1001 E. Cervantes St.	2.3	<p>1884</p> <p>Granada Square is one of the city's oldest squares, appearing on a map from 1884.</p>	
45.GRANADA SUBDIVISION PK.	103-105 Pineda Ave.		Named for the subdivision in which it is located.	
46.GREENWOOD PARK(GARDEN CENTER)	1850 N. 9 th Ave.	1.7	This is a passive park located directly behind the Garden Center on 9 th Avenue.	*Stone plaque placed at the base of a tree planted in honor of Edna Golay Briggs, who was president of the Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs from 1933-1936.
47.GULL POINT COMM. CENTER	7140 Spanish Trail	5.1	Gull Point is named for the area in which it is located. The area sits on the bay at the foot of Creighton Road and has also been called Devil's Point. It dates back to the 1700s.	

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48.H.K. MATTHEWS PARK	3100 N. 12 th Ave.	2.5	<p>2006</p> <p>This park was formerly known as Esperanza Park. Reverend Hawthorne Konrad (H.K.) Matthews is an African-American minister who was active during the Civil Rights Movement in the Pensacola area. Matthews became involved with the local NAACP and Southern Christian Leadership Conference chapters during the Civil Rights Movement. As president of the Pensacola Council of Ministers, Matthews led sit-in protests that successfully integrated Palafox Street lunch counters. He also helped the successful efforts to get blacks hired at such businesses as Sacred Heart Hospital, Southern Bell Telephone Company and West Pensacola Bank.</p>	
49.HIGHLAND TERR. PARK	111 Berkley Ave.	2.7	Highland Terrace Park is located adjacent to the Woodland Heights Community Center.	
50.HITZMAN-OPTIMIST PARK	3221 Langley Ave.	17.0	<p>June 8, 1971</p> <p>On June 8, 1971, the Pensacola City Council passed Resolution No. 26-71 changing the name of the Northeast Recreation Area to James W. Hitzman Park. Mr. Hitzman served for 25 years in the Recreation Department, devoting his life to “not only to improving the recreational opportunities of our citizens, but [also] unselfishly to removing clouds of adversity and yokes of despondency from the minds and hearts of all who knew him.”</p> <p>In 1976, the Northeast Pensacola Optimist Club adopted the park and has contributed countless dollars and time to making it a fun and safe place for children of all ages.</p>	

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51.HOLLICE T. WILLIAMS PARK	1601 N. Hayne St.	25.0	2006 This park was formerly known as Central Park, and was renamed to honor Reverend Hollice T. Williams, who enjoyed a nearly 50-year career with the YMCA, and also was a 6 time City Councilman.	
52.KIWANIS PARK	1801 W. Romana St.	2.3	c. 1944 The Kiwanis Club of Pensacola funded the development of this park.	
53.LAMANCHA SQUARE	1400 E. Cross St.	2.4	Lamanca Square is one of the city's oldest squares, having been laid out and appearing on maps from the 1800s.	
54.LAVALLET PARK	3910 Montalvo Dr.	3.8	Lavallet Park is named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
55.LEGION FIELD	1301 W. Gregory St.	7.6	May 17, 1928 Legion Field opened to great accolades in May 1928. The park was praised as one of the finest in the South and was at the time home to the Pensacola Fliers.	*Monument to Charles Jefferson Marvray, I. He was an African American baseball player with considerable skills who played in the Negro League and was one of Pensacola's first professional ballplayers. His hopes of playing in the Major Leagues were dashed when World War II broke out and he went into the Army. After returning to Pensacola, he paved the way for the integration of teams and ballparks.
56.LIONS PARK	1201 E. LaRua St.	2.5	c. 1940 This park was developed and supported by the Lions Club.	
57.LONG HOLLOW PARK	1001 N. Guillemard St.	0.81	2003 This park is located in the Long Hollow neighborhood. It was developed by the collaborative efforts of the City, the neighborhood association and the Governor's Front Porch Revitalization Council of Pensacola.	

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58.MAGEE FIELD	2400 Dr. MLK, Jr. Blvd.	4.2	1951 Magee Field is located in the Eastside neighborhood. It contains facilities for football, baseball, and basketball, as well as playground equipment and a covered shelter. Dedicated in 1951, it is named after Dr. A. S. Magee. The property underwent an extensive renovation in 2006-2007.	
59.MALAGA SQUARE	1000 E. Blount St.	2.4	One of the oldest squares in Pensacola, Malaga Square dates back to the 1800s.	
60.MALCOLM YONGE GYM	917 E. Jackson St.	1.4	Malcolm Yonge Gym was named for Malcolm Yonge, who was an original member of the Recreation Board and served from 1943 until his death in 1951.The center was dedicated on July 27, 1961.	
61.MALLORY HEIGHTS PK #1	3000 Rothchild Dr.	3.4	Mallory Heights Park is named for the neighborhood in which it sits.	
62.MALLORY HEIGHTS PK#2	3600 Goya Dr.	6.0	Mallory Heights Park is named for the neighborhood in which it sits.	
63.MALLORY HEIGHTS PK#3	2600 Scenic Hwy.	15.0	Mallory Heights Park is named for the neighborhood in which it sits.	

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64.MARITIME PARK		27.5	<p>The Vince Whibbs Community Maritime Park, often referred to as Maritime Park, is a public-private development that occupies city owned property once known as the Trillium Property. The concept for the park originated in 2000, when the City Council approved the purchase of the land and designs for the park began.</p> <p>While designs and purposes for the park changed over the coming years, the park as we know it today was dedicated in June 2012.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Bronze statue of Mayor Vince Whibbs, who served as Mayor of Pensacola from 1978-1991. *Appreciation plaque to the Pensacola Downtown Rotary Club for their leadership role in the design, fund raising, construction and opening of the Centennial Rotary Playground. *Dedication plaque – June 9, 2012. *Field dedication plaque to Vice Admiral Jack Fetterman. The Blue Wahoos baseball team named their field for the decorated Navy leader and community activist. *Plaque depicting the Blue Wahoos mission and vision statements. *Signage on Randal K. and Martha A. Hunter Amphitheater. *Concrete paver celebrating 100 years of Rotary by Bob and Cindy Hart. *Concrete paver in memory of Stacy Swartz – Jan. 10, 1961. *Concrete paver in honor of their grandchildren by Frank and Sylvia Beall. *Various other pavers. *Soon to be installed are plaques recognizing the members of the Maritime Park Board for their efforts in the construction and management of Maritime Park.
65.MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PLAZA	50 N. Palafox St.	1.3	<p>1992</p> <p>Dedicated to the revolutionary Civil Rights activist, this plaza serves as a reminder of the plight of one of the world’s most enduring faces of freedom and equality.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Signage. *Monument and bust of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. *Bronze sponsor plaques.
66.MCNEALY PARK	520 Woodlands Dr.	2.7	<p>This park was formerly named Woodland Heights Park and on April 12, 2012, the Pensacola City Council voted to change the name to the Rev. William E. McNealy, Sr. Park. Rev. McNealy has long been the pastor at Bethel AME Church and very active in the Woodland Heights neighborhood.</p>	

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67.MIRAFLORES PARK	1601 E. LaRua St.	2.5	Ricardo Palma was an author and academic who resided in Miraflores, Spain. The bust was a gift to the city in 1965 from Mario Carrejos Quinnies, the Mayor of Miraflores.	*Monument to Ricardo Palma. *Concrete plaque by Boy Scouts of America in memoriam of Eagle Scouts Jack Tilford and Jimmy Jerauld.
68.MIRALLA PARK	650 Connell Dr.	4.3	1961 Miralla Park was opened in 1961. It fell into disrepair over the years and eventually was closed. In 1991, members of the Miralla Park Improvement Board rallied interested residents, attended council meetings, and were successful in raising funds and sponsorships to make the much needed improvements to the park.	
69.MIRANDA SQUARE	1005 N. Palafox St.	0.74	General Francisco De Miranda was a Venezuelan who was a passionate advocate of freedom. He participated in the French, Latin and North American Revolutions and fought alongside Gálvez in the Spanish victory at Pensacola in 1781.	*Monument and bust of General Francisco De Miranda. *Granite plaque to General Francisco De Miranda.
70.MORRIS COURT PARK	1401 W. Lloyd St.	2.4	Morris Court Park is located at the Morris Court Housing Project.	
71.OPERTO SQUARE	1600 E. Blount St.	2.4	1884 Operto Square is one of the city's oldest squares, appearing on a map from 1884.	
72.OSCEOLA GOLF COURSE	300 Tonawanda Dr.	131.0	1926 Osceola Golf Course has a long and storied history in Pensacola. It was the first golf course locally to allow African Americans to play golf. The clubhouse is named in honor of William Noonan, who served on the Recreation Board for over 50 years.	*Wooden sign in memory of Jerry Miller 1937 – 2010. *Bronze marker in memory of Doretha Hunter 1939 – 2015 for her hole-in-one on Jan. 17, 2012.
73.PARKER CIRCLE PARK	601 Parker Circle	6.2	Parker Circle Park is named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	

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74.PINEGLADES PARK	301 Euclid St.	1.5	Pineglades Park is named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	*Bronze plaque to Margie Connor, a friend to all in the Pineglades neighborhood. *Bench plaque dedicated to Marvin K. Bastion.
75.PINTADO PARK	1830 Hallmark Dr.	3.7	Likely named for DeVincent Sebastian Pintado (or his descendants), who was in 1822 the Surveyor General for West Florida, although this information is not verified.	
76.PLAZA de LUNA	900 S. Palafox St.	2.4	2007 Plaza de Luna is a waterfront park overlooking Pensacola Bay. It is located at the southern terminus of Palafox Street by the Palafox Pier development on the site of the former Bayfront Auditorium, which was demolished in July 2005 following damage from Hurricane Ivan. In June 2006, the City of Pensacola voted to name the new park for Tristan de Luna y Arellano, whose 1559 expedition near Pensacola was America's first European settlement.	*Bronze statue of Don Tristan De Luna. *Pavers listing all who have been honored as Don Tristan De Luna during the annual Fiesta of Five Flags celebrations. *Plaque signifying the Spanish reign over Pensacola *Plaque signifying the French reign over Pensacola. *Plaque signifying Great Britain's reign over Pensacola. *Plaque signifying the Confederate States's reign over Pensacola. *Plaque signifying the United States's reign over Pensacola. *Concrete "Celebrate Pensacola" paver. *City of Pensacola paver. *Paver depicting that on that spot in 1942, Dick asked Patsy to marry him and she said "yes" *Plaque signifying that the first Presbyterian Church in Pensacola Florida was established in 1845. *Numerous other pavers. *Bronze Plaza De Luna dedication plaque – 2007. *Bronze dedication plaque from the Municipal Auditorium that previously sat on the site of Plaza De Luna. The auditorium was built in 1955 and destroyed by Hurricane Ivan in 2004. *Historic marker honoring the United States Coast Guard Cutter Sebago.

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77.PLAZA FERDINAND VII	300 S. Palafox St.	1.6	<p>1815</p> <p>Plaza Ferdinand VII is an outdoor garden and park in the Pensacola historic district. It is located on Palafox Street between Government and Zaragossa Streets. It is named after King Ferdinand VII of Spain. The park is dominated by three main features: a fountain, an obelisk dedicated to William Dudley Chipley and a bust of Andrew Jackson. The cession of Florida to the United States from Spain occurred at the Plaza on July 17, 1821. General Andrew Jackson made a public speech to townspeople, informing them that the land was now the Florida Territory, and that Pensacola would be its capital. General Jackson was later sworn in as the first Territorial Governor in the plaza. The first time the Star Spangled Banner was played on Florida soil, it was played at Plaza Ferdinand VII.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Bust of Andrew Jackson, who raised the United States flag for the first time in Florida in Plaza Ferdinand. *Bronze plaque depicting the transfer of West Florida from Spain to the United States on July 17, 1821. *Dedication plaque – General Andrew Jackson – dedicated May 19, 1984 by the Pensacola Historic Preservation Society. *Plaza Ferdinand Renovation monument. *Fountain. *City signage. *Obelisk with bust of William Dudley Chipley, who in addition to being a decorated officer in the Confederate Army, was the creator and builder of the Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad, President of the Board of Trustees of the Confederate Memorial Institute, Vice-President of the Board of Trustees of the Florida State Agricultural College, a member of the board of Trustees of Stetson University and Tallahassee Seminary, Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee of Florida, Mayor of Pensacola, and State Senator from Escambia County. *Historic cannons.
78.ROGER SCOTT ATHLETIC COMPLEX	2130 Summit Blvd.	47.0	<p>Roger Scott Athletic Complex is named for Roger Scott, who was on the Recreation Board for more than 20 years, serving as chairman during that time. He served the Pensacola community on many boards and organizations and was devoted to the promotion of tennis. In the spring of 1964, the tennis center was named for Mr. Scott. Unfortunately, he unexpectedly passed away in October of that year.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Dedication plaque. *Pell-i-can – dedicated in honor of Margo Pell. *Bronze plaque dedicated in honor of Margo Pell. *Fence banner dedicated to Terry Kellen, co-founder and first president of the Greater Pensacola Ladies’ Tennis League. *Tennis Center signage. *Bronze plaque in memory of Deborah Larsen. *Bench and bench plaque in honor of Vicki Fuller. *Bench plaque in memory of Johnie and Carroll Crane. *Trail medallion sponsor pavers.

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79.SANDERS BEACH PARK	913 S. "I" St.	7.4	<p>1908</p> <p>In 1908, Pensacola Mayor Calvin C. Goodman requested and received a donation of two blocks of waterfront from the Maxent Land Company. The parcel was developed as a public park and was eventually named for Frank Dent Sanders, a former Pensacola fireman, police chief, commissioner and mayor.</p> <p>According to minutes from a Recreation Board Meeting, Sanders Beach opened to the public and began being operated by the city in 1947. Prior to that, it had been leased to individuals to maintain and run. The formal opening was 2-27-48.</p>	
80.SCENIC HEIGHTS PARK	3800 Langley Ave.	3.7	Scenic Heights Park is named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
81.SEMMES PARK	1380 E. Texar Dr.	1.9	This park is named for Oliver J. Semmes, Jr., who with an impressive background of training and experience in the field of civil engineering, was in 1947 appointed as city manager for the City of Pensacola.	

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82.SEVERILE SQUARE	311 E. Government St.	1.7	<p>1763</p> <p>The first attempt to settle Pensacola in 1559 was made somewhere in the vicinity of Ft. Barrancas. In 1721, a second Spanish settlement was begun on Santa Rosa Island and by 1754, it had begun to thrive. On the mainland, in the area which is now Seville Square, there stood only a wooden stockade called Ft. San Miguel. That same year a hurricane virtually destroyed the island settlement and most of the survivors fled to San Miguel, thus beginning the third and finally successful settlement of the city on its present site. The British came in 1763 and built a stockade, and Seville Square was a cleared area outside its east walls. As the area within the old stockade developed, the cleared area on the east became known as Seville Square.</p>	<p>*Gazebo.</p> <p>*Carved tree support.</p> <p>*Memorial marker to Firefighter Vista S. Lowe, who lost his life in the line of duty in 1962.</p> <p>*1973 – Freedom tree and plaque dedicated to American prisoners of war and to those missing in action in Foreign Wars and to the sons and daughters of Pensacola who have fought in the cause of freedom.</p> <p>*May 9, 1981 – Bronze plaque dedicated to the memory of Mary Turner Rule Reed – Pioneer and inspiration for Pensacola’s historical preservation movement.</p> <p>*1990 - Granite monument to the Seville Square Childhood Reunion Group – dedicated to all those who spent their youth in and around Seville Square. Founded by Leo M. Flynn and Tony Manning in 1979.</p> <p>*City signage.</p> <p>*Granite plaque in memory of Timothy Paul Chapman.</p> <p>*The Fleming Fountain and plaque. Presented to the city by James Monroe Fleming and Ernestine Smith Fleming.</p>
83.SPRINGDALE PARK	600 E. Brent Lane	5.0	Springdale Park is named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
84.TERRY WAYNE EAST PARK	1620 W. Jackson St.	2.1	Originally known as the Exchange Little League Baseball Field, the name was officially changed on May 10, 1973 by resolution of the City Council to Terry Wayne East Park. Terry Wayne East was a young man who was dedicated to the game of baseball, becoming a member of the All-Star Team and voted unanimously as the most valuable player of the Little League. Sadly, he passed away from leukemia at the age of 13.	

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85.TIERRA VERDE PARK	5850 Reynosa Dr.	1.2	Tierra Verde Park is named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
86.TIPPIN PARK	6600 Tippin Ave.	3.0	Tippin Park is named for the street on which it is located.	*Marker signifying tree planted in memory of Sean Thomas Cannon – April 8, 1992 – July 11, 1996.
87.TOLEDO SQUARE	1700 E. Gonzalez St.	2.4	1884 Toledo Square is one of the city’s oldest squares, appearing on a map from 1884.	

<p>88.VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK</p>	<p>211 E. Main St.</p>	<p>2.2</p>	<p>1992</p> <p>Veterans Park is the home of Wall South, the first permanent replica of the National Vietnam War Memorial. Since its founding, the park has grown to include a WWI Memorial; WWII Memorial; a Korean War Memorial; a Revolutionary War Memorial; a Purple Heart Memorial; a monument to the submarine lifeguards who rescued so many Navy pilots in WWII, including President George H.W. Bush; a Marine Corps Aviation Bell Tower; and a Memorial to those who lost their lives in the fighting the Global War on Terror. There are also numerous plaques to honor local heroes as well.</p> <p>This park is dedicated to the memories of those who sacrificed their lives in the defense of this nation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Monument to the Korean War. *Bronze statues of American servicemen fighting in Korean War. *Plaques signifying service in the Korean War. *Pensacola’s Korean War Memorial dedication plaque – May 26, 2007. *Bronze sponsor plaque. *Statue of Revolutionary War serviceman. *Revolutionary War Veteran’s Minuteman Memorial – 1775 – 1783. *Donor pavers. *Bronze plaque in memory of fallen heroes who died during the Global War on Terrorism. *Bronze plaques depicting the names of fallen heroes who died in the Global War on Terrorism. *Flowers and flags that have been left in remembrance of fallen servicemen and women. *”Children’s Homecoming” Memorial. *Bronze plaque presented by the Children of America’s Twentieth Century Heroes, 2000. *Bronze plaque signifying the importance of the AH-1 Cobra Helicopter during the Vietnam War. *AH-1 Cobra Helicopter. *Marine Aviation Memorial Tower. *Memorial pavers. *Bronze plaque explaining the United States Marine Corps Aviation Centennial history – the first 100 years. *Bronze plaque dedicated to Anthony J. “Ted” Ciano, veteran, patriot, and community leader. The plaque also recognizes major donors for the project. *Bronze plaque explaining the meaning of the tower. *Monument to recipients of the Purple Heart, erected by Chapter #566 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Granite bench with plaque in remembrance of George Lockwood, USN, Feb 8, 1924 – Aug. 9, 1942. *Blue Star Memorial – a tribute to the Armed Forces that have defended the United States of America. Marker was erected by the Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs. *Monument to Pensacola Bay Area Impact 100 for donations made to arts and culture, education, environment, family, health and wellness. *Numerous Vietnam War pavers and memorials. *<i>The Sanctuary</i> statue located at Hawkshaw Lagoon. This is a memorial to missing children. *Tribute to the Men of Escambia County Who Served the United State of America and the Allies in the World War 1914-1918. *Bronze donor plaque recognizing the people and organizations that made the WWII Memorial possible. *Statues of WWII Servicemen. *Inspirational signage. *Bench dedicated to POW-MIA. *Commemorative bench – United States Navy. *Commemorative bench – United States Civilians *Commemorative bench – United States Air Force. *Replica of Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall. *Monument to Submarine Lifeguard League which was tasked with saving the lives of Airmen from 1943 – 1945. *Bronze Veterans Memorial Park Information plaque.
89.VICTORY PARK # 1	1801 N. Reus St.	0.15		
90.VICTORY PARK # 2	1301 N. Devilliers St.	0.43		

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91.WAYSIDE PARK EAST	1401 E. Gregory St.	18.0	1943 This park is dedicated to Mrs. Dora Bayless; it was sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, Rotary Club, Angler’s Club and was erected by the State Road Department and the City of Pensacola.	*Bronze plaque dedicated to Mrs. Dora C. Bayless erected in 1943. *Bronze plaque signifying Military Appreciation Rose Garden – 2004. *Marker signifying Emanuel Point Shipwrecks which occurred shortly after colonists arrived in Pensacola with Don Tristan De Luna in 1559. He brought 11 ships and 1000 colonists to establish the colony, but a month later a powerful hurricane struck and most of the ships were lost.
92.WOODCLIFF PARK	4701 Balmoral Dr.	4.6	Woodcliff Park is named for the neighborhood in which it is located.	
93.WYER PARK (Henry T.)	320 W. Belmont St.	0.67	c. 1993 Henry T. Wyer was a longtime advocate for the Belmont-Devilliers area. On August 2, 1991, the City Manager, Rod Kendig appointed him to the recently reestablished Belmont Devilliers Redevelopment Board. Prior to this appointment, Wyer had served on the Neighborhood Council. He took his Oath of Office on October 30, 1991, and became an official member of the Board and served on the Belmont-Devilliers Cultural Committee. On December 15, 1992 the main item on the Belmont-Devilliers Redevelopment Board’s agenda was the discussion of a proposed layout for the neighborhood park that the Board had been planning. The park had yet to be named. It was later stated that the park was named after Henry T. Wyer because of his constant support of the neighborhood.	
94.ZAMORA SQUARE	1800 E. Bobe St.	2.4	Zamora Square is one of the city’s oldest squares, having been laid out and appearing on maps from the 1800’s.	