


# GORDONSVILLE PARK NETWORK

*Orange County, Virginia*



TOWN TO  
TRAIL





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Town of Gordonsville  
Comprehensive Plan 2035



*At the Crossroads of History...Planning for the Future*

Adopted - June 19, 2017

## Vibrant Economy

*The Town seeks to be a vibrant economic destination for the area . . .*

## History + Culture

*Gordonsville seeks to remain a charming, historic town . . .*

## Live, Work + Play

*Recreational, cultural and shopping opportunities will be plentiful . . .*

Town of Gordonsville Comprehensive Plan 2035





Main Street Streetscape 2017





Transportation Enhancement Funding: \$2.2 million









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*Dr. Pepper*  
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# GORDONSVILLE VISIONS

GORDONSVILLE COMMUNITY HISTORY WORKSHOP: A COLLABORATION BETWEEN

THE TOWN OF GORDONSVILLE AND UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

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# A NETWORK OF PARKS

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expanding and invigorating town parks and paths



The proposed park network area is shaded in green.

This is a vision of a connected green network for Gordonsville. To achieve this, we present the ideas of expanding parkland with new places for recreation and programming, updating existing parks to better fit the town's needs, beautifying the paths between green areas, and creating a community garden. We hope that this vision will encourage residents to engage with Gordonsville's parks and inspire healthy living efforts.



REIMAGINED SIGN

Gordonsville's existing park would be made more inviting with a refurbished entrance. We propose that the current brick sign be kept, but with new lettering in a lighter color and larger size. New landscaping around the sign is also necessary. We hope that reimagining Verling Park's sign area would help reintroduce the park as an exciting community space.



COMMUNITY GARDEN

A community garden would encourage people to grow produce, learn about healthy living, and enjoy nature.



NEW PLAYGROUND

An updated playground with more equipment would allow children of all ages to get more use out of Verling Park.



SIDEWALK CONNECTION



PROPOSED STREET SECTION

These two images are a view and a section of the reimagined connections between park spaces. They represent our ideas for Allen, King, and Market Streets and involve improved sidewalks, fresh landscaping, and some benches to give people a place to rest and socialize within the park network.



## COMMUNITY FUNCTION

The plan for expanded and new recreation spaces is a key element. Expanding the park network would provide areas for recreation and provide space for sports groups, clubs, and outdoor education opportunities. For more information on the park network, visit [www.gordonsvilleva.gov](http://www.gordonsvilleva.gov).



OUTDOOR MOVIES

The vacant lot at King and Allen Streets would be a great spot for hosting outdoor movies.



## PARK NETWORK VISION

This map details the proposed park network. It begins at the existing grounds of the fire department, leaving the open area often used for festivals. South of this block is an empty lot, which would be a useful extension of Gordonsville's green space and provide room for more town programming. Another empty lot across the street is proposed as a community garden, benefiting the town.

The sidewalks and landscaping running between the fire station and Verling Park on Allen Street should be improved to create a strong connection between these recreation areas. In Verling Park, we propose expanding the pool and playground, as well as repurposing the tennis courts for basketball in order to take better advantage of their surface condition and provide a recreation space for older children.

Improved sidewalks and landscaping along King and Market Streets would also tie this green network into the downtown corridor and the pocket park proposed near the corner of King and Main Streets.

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# Park Network Concept

University of Virginia – School of Architecture



# Footprint: Park Network

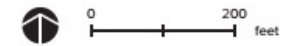
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GORDONSVILLE, VA || CONCEPT DIAGRAM

Main Street



## LEGEND

- 1 - Volunteer Fire Co. & Fairgrounds
- 2 - Tennis Courts & Picnic area
- 3 - Picnic Area & Parking
- 4 - Verling Park & Swimming Pool





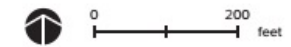
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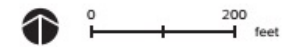
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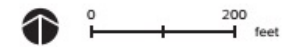


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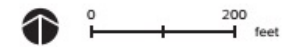


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# ACQUISITION FUNDING

- Private \$450,000
  - Town \$175,000
  - State \$100,000
- \$725,000





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## Town to Trail

Connecting communities with recreation

BY HILARY MULLIGAN  
Staff Writer

When Stennis Capelle looks at Veeing Park in Gordonsville, she sees all it has to offer and all it could become. As a member of Town to Trail, a working group organized by the Piedmont Environmental Council (PEC), she is committed to helping raise money to renovate the little park that area residents have enjoyed for many decades.

Capelle grew up in northern Virginia, where she made full use of recreational opportunities readily available to her. The former lifeguard and pool manager said, "I love outdoor recreation."

Over the past several years, Town to Trail has been working with the Town of Gordonsville to consider ways to expand and improve Veeing Park, home of Orange County's only public swimming pool. Joining the group's recent achievements is its contribution of \$35,000 toward the town's purchase of 112 Linsay Street at the corner of Piedmont and Linsay streets. After the house on the property was demolished, the park land claim to a whole block.

According to Peter Hajjak, a mem-



Families cool off in the 100-year-old Veeing Park pool in the county. A grassroots group is helping to renovate and enhance the neighborhood and community.

ber of Town to Trail who also works for PEC, "It's pretty transformative to be able to expand the park to an entire town block. From some of the impact we've received from the community it was really important to get that [parcel] and open it up. It just better connects some of the neighborhoods in that area."

For everyone with a stake in improving the park, located two blocks from Main Street, replacing the smallish, 1950s-era pool with one of regulation size is high on the list of priorities. Capelle said her two stepchildren learned to swim at the pool, which remains a popular draw throughout the summer.

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## TOWN TO TRAIL

### Gordonsville group acquires lot to support park plan

Town to Trail, a working group of the non-profit Piedmont Environmental Council (PEC), is excited to announce the acquisition of the vacant lot at 204 Allen Street, which PEC purchased with contributions from private donors over the last year.

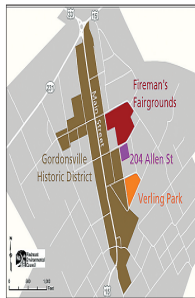
This is the second parcel of land that PEC's Town to Trail group has added into the Veeing Park redesign project. Last year, they helped the Town of Gordonsville purchase the first parcel at 112 Linsay Street,

where the town removed an abandoned house to open up and expand Veeing Park to a full town block.

This latest acquisition, across the street from the fire company fairgrounds, is a key piece of "Gordonsville Vision," a conceptual plan that includes specific park and trail projects that help advance the town's comprehensive plan.

"Gordonsville Vision" was developed by the University of Virginia's School of Architecture's Historic Preservation program in collaboration with the Gordonsville community.

Town to Trail's initial focus has been on developing the plan's network of parks, which if realized, will enhance outdoor recreation opportunities by connecting the two



The Town to Trail working group of the Piedmont Environmental Council recently purchased a vacant lot at 204 Allen Street in Gordonsville to support the "Gordonsville Vision" conceptual plan for parks and trails in town.

large open spaces in town—Veeing Park and Fireman's Fairgrounds. The acquisition of the Allen Street parcel strengthens the connection between these well-used open spaces. It also ensures that this vacant parcel will remain an open space available for both the town and Gordonsville Volunteer Fire Company for its continued use for overflow parking during large events at the fairgrounds.

PEC's Town to Trail working group is eager to enter the design phase of the park network project, in which it anticipates working closely with

the town, fire company, and citizens in the community to develop a plan that will enhance and connect existing public open spaces. PEC and members of the Town to Trail group are grateful to all of the people in the community who have made these acquisitions possible.

For more information or to share thoughts or ideas on its efforts, visit the Town to Trail group's table at the annual Gordonsville Fall Festival at the fairgrounds Saturday, Oct. 5. For information about Town to Trail, visit [www.pecva.org/towntotrail](http://www.pecva.org/towntotrail).

# High Local Profile

1 article in 2018

2 articles in 2019

8 articles in 2020

2 articles in 2021

2 articles in 2022



# Partners



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# Partners

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## Design + Fundraising

- Design initiated in winter 2022
- Estimated cost: \$3 million
- Federal proposal submitted spring 2022







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**Funded!**





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- Estimated cost: \$3 million
- Federal proposal submitted spring 2022
- Land + Water Conservation Fund: \$3.2 million

**Funded!**



# Scope of Work

## Phase I

- Pool
- Playground
- Main Pavilion
- Walking Paths
- Event Space

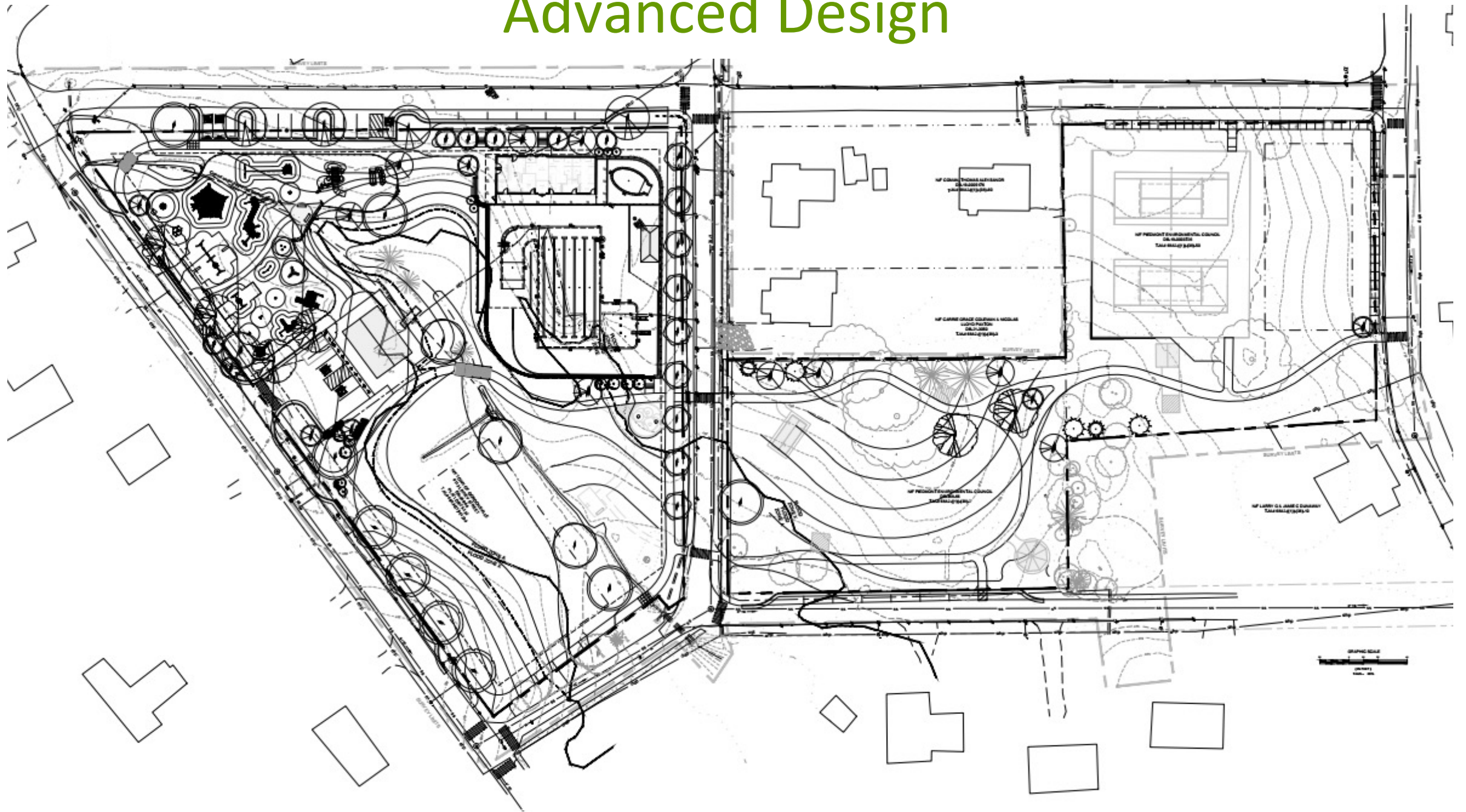
## Phase II

- Tennis Courts
- Picnic Shelters
- Native Pollinator Garden
- Interactive Fountain + Art Installations





# Advanced Design





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WEST (STREET SIDE) ELEVATION

1/4" = 1'-0"



NORTH ELEVATION

1/4" = 1'-0"



BATHHOUSE FOR VERLING PARK

TOWN OF GORDONSVILLE, VIRGINIA

REVISION	DATE	BY	CHKD

EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

Draw: 02-21-23  
Drawn: KCB Checked: KCB  
Project: 221149

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# Pool House





FLOOR PLAN  
1/4" = 1'-0"

AREA: 1,794 SF



VIEW FROM POOL SIDE



VIEW FROM STREET SIDE



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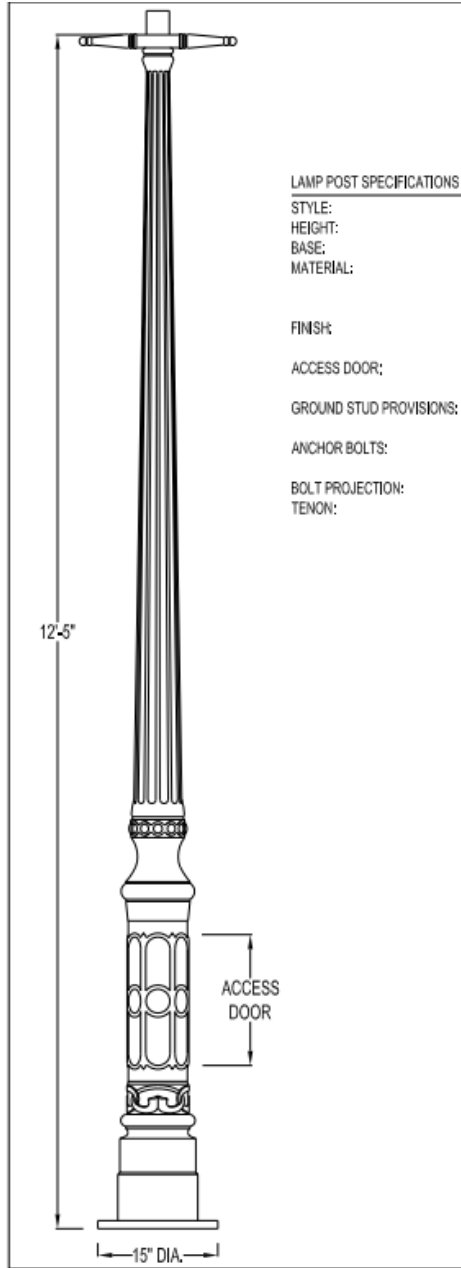
**BATHHOUSE FOR VERLING PARK**  
 PROJECT # 221140  
 TOWN OF GORDONSVILLE, VIRGINIA

REVISION	DATE	BY	REASON

FLOOR PLAN  
 CONCEPTUAL DESIGN  
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Date: 02-21-23  
 Drawn: KCB Checked: KCB  
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LAMP POST SPECIFICATIONS

STYLE:  
HEIGHT:  
BASE:  
MATERIAL:

FINISH

ACCESS DOOR:

GROUND STUD PROVISIONS:

ANCHOR BOLTS:

BOLT PROJECTION:  
TENON:

1) FINIAL: CAST ALUMINUM, 356 ALLOY, SECURED WITH (1) 1/4"-20 THREADED ROD

2) NON-FUNCTIONAL VENT HOOD: SPUN ALUMINUM, SECURED WITH (1) 1/4"-20 THREADED ROD

3) NON-FUNCTIONAL CHIMNEY: SPUN ALUMINUM, SECURED WITH (1) 1/4"-20 THREADED ROD

4) COOLCAST™ HEAT DISSIPATING ROOF: CAST ALUMINUM, 356 ALLOY, SECURED WITH (4) 10-24 ROUND HEAD MACHINE SCREWS

5) 4 WATT WIDE LED'S AND 1 WATT NFE LED'S

6) LUMINAIRE CASE: CAST ALUMINUM, ALLOY 356

7) POWER CABLE: BUNDLED POWER CABLE WIRE

8) PANELS: SEEDED ACRYLIC

9) KEYSLOTTED DRIVER HOUSING: SPUN ALUMINUM, SECURED WITH (3) 10-24 ROUND HEAD MACHINE SCREWS

10) LUMINAIRE CASING: CAST ALUMINUM, ALLOY 356

11) GASKET: SILICONE GASKET

12) LED DRIVERS: LOCATED IN SPUN HOUSING, DRIVERS TO BE DETERMINED (BASED ON REQUIRED WIRING)

13) QUICK DISCONNECTS: ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS SUPPLIED WITH QUICK DISCONNECTS

14) GASKET: SILICONE GASKET

15) THREADED ROD: 1/4"-20 STAINLESS STEEL ALL THREAD ROD X 8 1/2" LONG

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**LUMINAIRE SPECIFICATIONS**

STYLE: CLEARWATER

HEIGHT: 44 1/4"

WIDTH: 18" SQUARE

MATERIAL: CAST ALUMINUM ALLOY AN.SI. 356, PER A.S.T.M. B26-85

GLOBE: SEEDED ACRYLIC

FINISH: PRIME PAINT THEN FINISH PAINT, SHERWIN WILLIAMS ACRYLOW - CLASSIC BLACK

LAMPING: 105 WATT LED SYSTEM

VOLTAGE: 120 - 277 VOLT

COLOR TEMPERATURE: 2700K

DISTRIBUTION: TYPE II (ASYMMETRIC DISTRIBUTION)

CATALOG NO.: ALMCLB-LEWIS/EV1/X2-CW-12DF-FCB-CB

**PROJECTED AREAS AND WEIGHT**

SECTION	PROJ. AREA	Cd	E.P.A.
FIXTURE	2.85 Sq. Ft.	1.20	3.18 Sq. Ft.
<b>TOTAL ASSEMBLY HEIGHT</b>			<b>35 LBS.</b>

LUMINAIRE TO ACCEPT A 2 7/8" DIA. X 3" HIGH TENON

**Spring City Electrical Mfg. Co.**  
HALL AND BARR STREETS - P.O. BOX 19 - SPRING CITY, PA. 19476  
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DESCRIPTION: THE CLEARWATER LED LUMINAIRE WITH THE COOLCAST™ HEAT DISSIPATING ROOF (PATENT PENDING)

CUSTOMER: \_\_\_\_\_

JOB: \_\_\_\_\_

SCALE: N.T.S.	DRAWN BY: B.A.R.	DATE: 06-02-2011	DRAWING NO.: FIX-28119
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# Lamp Posts





## Elkay LK4420BF1UDB, Tri-Level Outdoor Pedestal Tubular W/Pet Fountain, Upper Water Refilling Station

Item #: T9FB729414

Not Yet Rated

**Ships same day.**

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### COLOR FINISH

Evergreen



# Water Stations



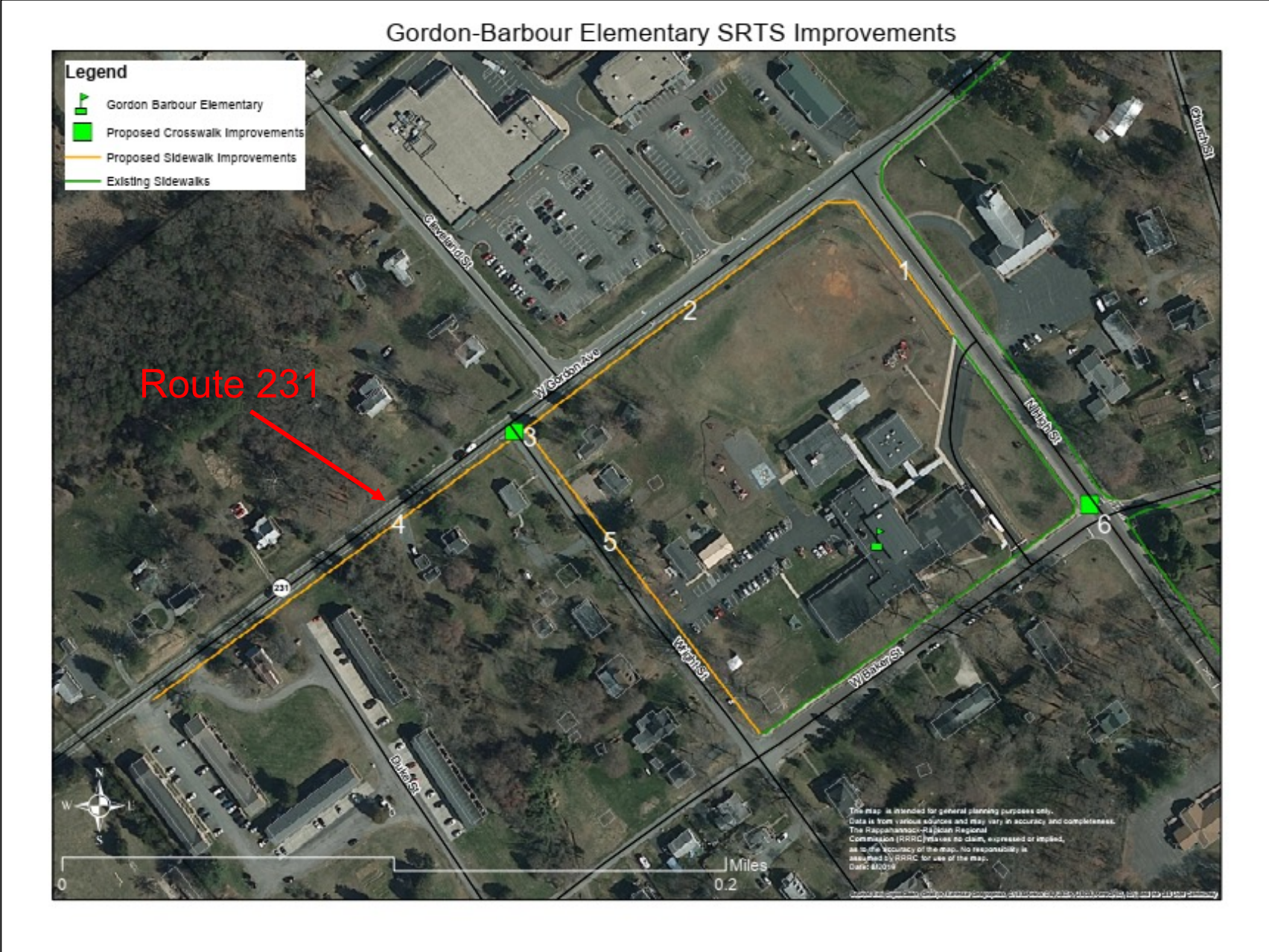


## Looking ahead . . .

- October 2023: Break Ground
- June 2024: Open Park



# Safe Walks to School ~ 2025





# Sources of Funding

- Streetscape Project: Transportation Enhancement (USDOT/VDOT)
- Park Project: Preservation Trust Fund (VOF)  
Land + Water Conservation Fund (NPS/VDCR)
- Sidewalks: Safe Walks to School (USDOT/VDOT)





## Questions?

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