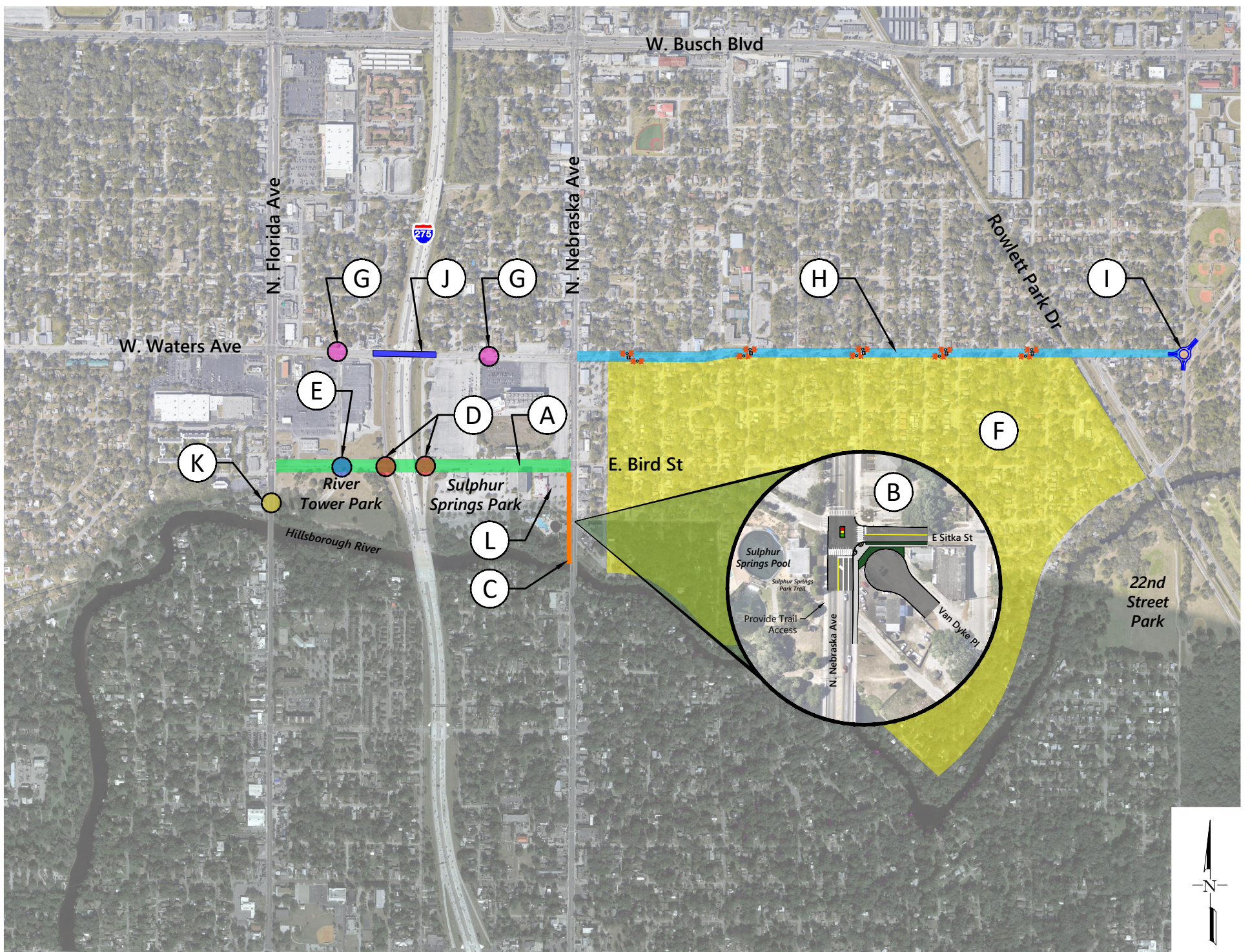
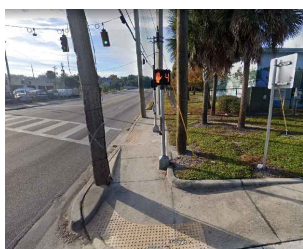


SAFE ACCESS TO PARKS




Preliminary Fix Ideas for Consideration:

- (A) Provide walking path from E. Bird Street to Sulphur Springs Park. Add curb, gutter and sidewalk along E. Bird Street between N. Florida Avenue and N. Nebraska Avenue, and either provide on-street buffered bike lanes or a 12-foot side path to better connect to future Bus Rapid Transit (optimized bus routes) on N. Florida Avenue.
- (B) Convert Van Dyke Place to a cul-de-sac to provide safer pedestrian access across N. Nebraska Avenue. Provide access to Sulphur Springs Park Trail. (See inset map).
- (C) Provide curb and gutter (for better vehicle-pedestrian separation), and relocate utilities outside of the walking path to improve access and improve the comfort for people walking.



- (D) Work with the Florida Dept. of Transportation to improve circulation through interchange area for pedestrians and cyclists (see Fix Idea 'A').
- (E) Provide a walkway route from E. Bird Street to River Tower Park that does not require walking in roadway.
- (F) Construct sidewalks on at least one side of most streets, providing marked crosswalks at regular intervals with street lighting.
- (G) Relocate bus stops to so they are positioned conveniently near marked crosswalks, or install a pedestrian crossing.

- (H) Install raised crosswalks (like a speed hump across the roadway) with rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFB) at regular intervals that also consider the location of bus stops. 
- (I) Evaluate the potential for a roundabout at Waters Avenue and 22nd Street / East Riverhills Drive.
- (J) Install high visibility crosswalks across the "high-speed" turn lanes that run parallel to I-275, and evaluate potential to slow traffic.
- (K) Provide a walking connection to River Tower Park from N. Florida Avenue.
- (L) Redesign on-site circulation and parking areas to prioritize walking and biking to the pool and park, as well as address existing drainage issues that result in standing water in the parking area.

Area Wide Fix Ideas to Consider:

- Lower speed limit on all residential streets to 25 mph.
- Develop and implement neighborhood traffic calming program to strategically place speed humps, curb extensions, traffic circles, and other physical devices to slow down drivers.
- Provide advisory bike lanes on low volume neighborhood streets to prioritize bicycle travel where the community wants it. (Picture bike lanes on both sides of the road with vehicles sharing the middle at low speeds.)
- Work with HART to increase bus service frequency to area to improve mobility options for neighborhood residents.
- Work with HART to provide additional transit amenities in the area, including bus shelters and stops co-located with marked and potentially protected pedestrian crossings.
- Upgrade all transportation facilities for accessibility.
- Lower speed limits on N. Florida Avenue and N. Nebraska Avenue to 35 mph in conjunction with signal timing strategies and other countermeasures, such as narrowing lane widths and reducing curb radii, to reduce pedestrian crossing distance.
- Prioritize connections to the future Green ARtery trail sections in the area.
- Increase lighting levels in the area to provide a consistent level of lighting along streets, with a focus on intersections and roadway crossing locations.

NOTE: ALL PROPOSED CONSIDERATIONS WILL REQUIRE EXTENSIVE DATA COLLECTION, EVALUATION AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Figure 2
Sulphur Springs