



THE FUTURE OF SKATING

THE SKATERS SPEAK

Before
starting, let's
hear from the
kids.



Great, you know, got great friends.

ABOUT US

Friends of Fernandina Skate Park is a non-profit focused on promoting outdoor activity, fostering community bonds, and boosting youth self-esteem.



MEET THE FFSP BOARD



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VISION

Fernandina Beach to have a world class skatepark that meets the needs of the community and attracts wheeled sport enthusiasts from all over.



GOALS

- To construct a world-class skate facility featuring a state-of-the-art concrete design.
- A design that meets the needs of all riders and skill levels.
- Provide ability to host major skate competitions in the future.



SKATING BUILDS
CHARACTER

WHO'S IT FOR?

Skateboarding is just as much a family sport as baseball and soccer.

On any given day, you'll find people aged 6 to 60 rolling around the park.

Not just skateboards, it includes all wheeled sports such as scooters, rollerblades, skates, BMX and more

It truly is a sport that brings people together.



BENEFITS

- Safe place for kids to enjoy and a venue for whole family
- Improves physical & mental health
- Promotes self esteem
- Builds bonds
- Teaches important lessons and life skills
- Reduces skateboarding in unauthorized areas
- Attracts families from all over (skating is a destination sport)



**SKATING PROVIDES
CHALLENGES**

PROBLEM

- Current skatepark features are at end of life and metal construction is not durable to elements (See Note)
- Skatepark at or beyond capacity during prime hours
- Skatepark is not lighted which limits use
- Skatepark does not meet competition standards. Local kids who compete travel to Jacksonville to train.

NOTE: Parks is currently re-fabricating existing features. Metal construction has limited lifespan, and these features will need to be addressed again in the future.



PROPOSAL

Skatepark recommendation is a phased approach to achieve our overall vision for a world class skatepark right here in Fernandina Beach.

- Phase 1 - The addition of a concrete skatepark on the land parcel just north and adjacent to existing static skatepark.
- Phase 2 - Replace the existing metal skatepark features, like for like, with maintenance free concrete features.

NOTE: On June 20, 2023 City Commission approved a vacation of public right-of-way for portion of unimproved Pompano St between Trout St and Dolphin St; whereas, the vacation of right-of-way would support the future improvement and northward expansion of the Fernandina Beach Skate Park (ORDINANCE 2023-23)



City approved to
vacate right of way
for purpose of
skatepark expansion

DESIGN SCOPE

- Work with all stakeholders on design that will dovetail into existing skatepark area.
- Skatepark is an above ground design and construction.
- Shotcrete (concrete) construction to minimize ongoing maintenance cost.
- Uses appropriate fencing and/or walling to ensure safe containment skate area.
- Meets all standards for drainage, environment, and sustainability.
- Design incorporates ample greenspace, landscaping and compliments surrounding area.
- Incorporates shaded viewing areas
- Design meets worldskate.org competition certification for both street and park style skateboard contest.
- ADA Compliance and supports adaptive athletes.
- Fully Lighted (Turtle Safe Compliant) integrated into parks Lights Management System.



Skateparks can
compliment
surroundings

COST ESTIMATE

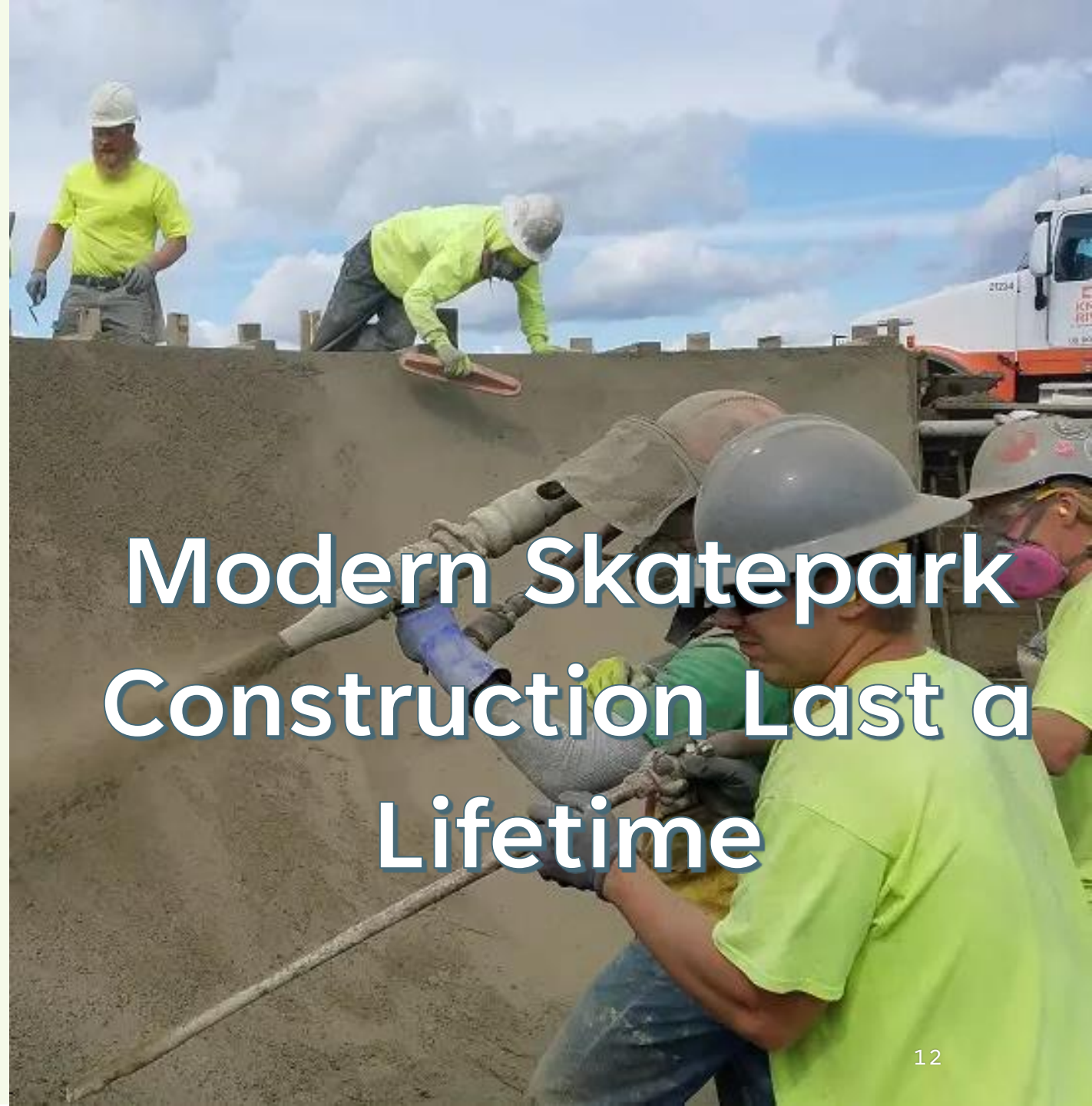
Phase 1: 15,000 sf above ground shotcrete skatepark is approximately \$1,125,000 (\$75 per sf) Includes:

- Site evaluation and concept design
- Engineering and construction docs
- Site preparation (i.e., grading, drain lines and landscaping)
- Specialty scope concrete park build

Phase 2: 2,900 sf above existing park features replacement is approximately \$135,500 (\$45 per sf) Includes:

- Site preparation (Uses existing concrete foundation)
- Specialty scope concrete feature builds

NOTE: All above pricing is rough order estimate. Actual pricing is the result of the skatepark concept design process.



**Modern Skatepark
Construction Last a
Lifetime**

NEXT STEPS

- Seek funding approval for concept and architecture design phase (90K)

Output:

- Site Evaluation Report
- Final design Concept
- Architectural Build Blueprints
- Refined Costing Estimate
- Create Architectural and Construction docs late 2024
- City Commission Agenda to seek approval and funding source with 25/26 capital.
- Break ground late 2025

NOTE: To expedite procurement process, leverage pre-negotiated Sourcwell agreements with American Ramp Corporation



SUMMARY

As Fernandina Beach continues to grow it has become evident that the current skatepark can no longer support the thriving wheeled sports community.

There is an opportunity to build and provide a skatepark that would be a destination facility for enthusiasts of all ages and skills.

The intent is to ensure the park design supports all the requirements inclusive of both usability and competitive elements as well as ADA compliance.

With its proximity to the ocean, the facility offers an experience unlike any other skatepark on the East Coast.

We would love to see a world class skate competition held right here in Fernandina Beach.



SKATING IS FAMILY

THANK YOU

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