



Virtual Community Meeting Q&A Dallas Greening Initiative: Gibbons Dr Greenspace Thursday, February 26, 2026 | 7:00pm – 8:00pm

How accessible will the creek be, and will it pose a safety concern? Can the clearing of brush be done in a way so that the animals that currently live behind the fire station aren't affected?

- The clearing around the creek will be focused on the removal of brush and invasive plants. Removing excess brush will improve sightlines and visibility, helping enhance safety at the site. The creek will be visible but not highly accessible to greenspace users. A natural vegetation buffer will remain in place to provide separation and added safety. Overgrown vegetation and invasive species can hinder the growth of native plants, disrupting the local ecosystem and wildlife. By removing invasive species, we can create space for native flora to thrive and improve the site's biodiversity.

What elements are being added to the greenspace?

- Greenspaces can feature a variety of elements or levels of programming, ranging from passive natural spaces to active recreational spaces. We aim to provide each neighborhood with the greenspace amenities that best fit their priorities and needs. The project is in the early stages of participatory design; no specific elements or design have been selected or finalized. We need your input to determine what elements neighbors want to prioritize in their greenspace.
- Amenities may include:
 - Cleanup and beautification
 - Nature improvements
 - Loop trail
 - Playground
 - Pavilion
 - Benches
 - Signage
 - Picnic tables
 - Trash cans
 - Community art
 - Native plant gardens
 - Lighting
 - Security cameras
 - Dog waste stations

Where will the entrance to the greenspace be? Can you describe planned barriers or fencing between the greenspace and Frankford Rd?

- The greenspace entrance will be accessible from the existing sidewalk along Frankford Rd. A barrier or fence will be added along the entrance of the greenspace to create a safety buffer between the greenspace and Frankford Rd. As participatory design is still in its early stages, a specific type of barrier has not yet been identified. A buffer can be created in various ways. The design team will present several options at the next meeting for residents to provide feedback to inform the final selection.

Will there be on-site parking?

- Dallas Greening Initiative sites are intended to be small, neighborhood-serving spaces that provide nearby residents with access to a public greenspace within walking distance. Due to the current conditions along Frankford Rd, safe vehicular access and on-site parking are not feasible and would require additional traffic studies and permitting beyond the project's scope.

Will the greenspace expand past the creek towards Gibbons and Parkway Lake Estates, or connect to the pond?

- Creating a connection point and expanding the greenspace across the creek would require a bridge. Adding a bridge will not be feasible given the project's budget and scope. The area circled in the image below represents the primary extent of the greenspace where activation and programming would occur.



- No final design has been adopted as participatory design is ongoing, and there are no current plans to create additional connections. The feedback received throughout the process will shape the design at various stages. Greenspace elements, including additional connections, will depend on feedback from residents about what they want to see in their future greenspace.

If you have additional questions, please reach out to sofia.hernandez@tpl.org. If you would like to learn more about the project, view meeting presentations, and share your thoughts, please head to <https://bit.ly/gibbonsdqj>.