Kissimmee Lakefront



Client

City of Kissimmee Renaissance Planning Group, *Lead Planner*

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Program

Waterfront Design Mixed-Use Buildings Commercial Revitalization

Relevance

Town Planning New Urbanism

Services

Urban Design Town Planning Project Graphics

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Project Challenge

The intact and pedestrian friendly small town of Kissimmee located south of Orlando has generous access to Lake Tohopekaliga. Located between the lake and downtown is an older public park which is characterized by shaded lawn area, waterfront promenade, play grounds, a fishing pier, seating, shade, and lighting. However, the relocation of an adjacent power sub-station and the need for additional housing, office, and neighborhood-serving retail has led town leaders to look comprehensively at the waterfront and its connections to downtown.

Expanding the scope of the project to include downtown as part of the Town's waterfront proved beneficial in that the need for a smaller, more urban green was recognized.

Project Description

The approximate 20 acre waterfront park and surrounding streets were developed in the 1950s and 60s, and have not seen significant redevelopment. General upgrading of equipment and facilities was needed. The insertion of a narrow drive parallel to a new promenade as well as new mixed-use buildings on the old sub-station site proved to energize the park and strengthen the link the town to the lake.



Streets and Blocks Drawing

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Redevelopment of the waterfront shows the park formed by new buildings and streets that connect to town.