

An aerial rendering of a city park or plaza. The scene shows a paved pedestrian walkway with several people walking. To the left, there are parked cars. The park area is filled with trees, shrubs, and benches. In the background, there are modern buildings. The overall atmosphere is bright and sunny.

# GAHANNA CREEKSIDE REIMAGINED

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# Strategic Plan Priorities

**Creekside** – Business vitality, connectivity & accessibility, more community events, more housing and mixed-use development, parking infrastructure and maintenance.

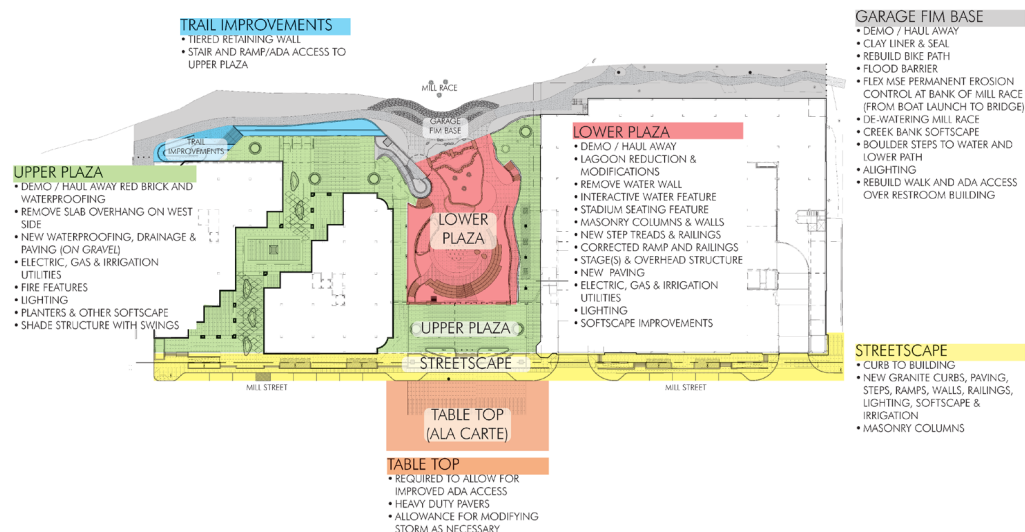
- Creek Activation
- Park Amenities
- Public Plaza
- Mixed-use Development
- Restaurants



# Facilities

## Creekside Garage & Plaza

**Description:** The city owns and operates the Creekside parking structure and plaza that sits immediately above this structure. Flood improvements are needed to protect this structure from flood waters from the adjacent Big Walnut Creek. This is required to satisfy FEMA. This project entails mitigation efforts along the creek and within the garage structure. Other opportunity to improve the upper and lower plaza along with the streetscape are being considered because of the importance Creekside plays to the vitality and quality of life of the City.



**CIP Phase:** Actionable  
**Priority I:** Imperative\*  
**Rank:** 1

### Project Estimates:

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**Trail Improv. - \$1.15M - \$1.35M**

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**Upper Plaza - \$5.1M - \$6.9M**

**Streetscape - \$2.9M - \$3.7M\***

**Table-Top - Included Above**

**Total Project: \$18.9M - \$22.85M**

### TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS

- Improved ADA Access to Upper Plaza
- Reconstructed Retaining Wall
- Improved Views of Mill Race

### UPPER PLAZA

- Waterproof Garage Structure
- Upgraded Plaza Utilities
- Replace Existing Red Brick
- Landscaping & Softscapes
- Lighting & Integrated Furniture
- Shade Structures

### LOWER PLAZA

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- Lagoon Redesign
- Removal of Water Wall
- Improved Performance Areas
- Amphitheater Seating
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### STREETSCAPE

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### TABLE-TOP

- Mill Street Traffic Calming
- Assists with ADA Access
- Unifying Design Feature

  
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An aerial rendering of a park development. The scene features a central circular plaza with a fountain, surrounded by tiered seating. To the left is a pond with a stone-lined edge and a small bridge. The area is landscaped with trees, shrubs, and paved walkways. Numerous small figures of people are scattered throughout the park, suggesting a lively community space. The background shows modern residential buildings.

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*Creekside Reimagined*



An aerial architectural rendering of a park plaza. The scene shows a paved pedestrian area with various seating areas, including benches and picnic tables. There are numerous trees and landscaped green spaces with low walls and planters. People are depicted walking, sitting, and playing in the area. A modern building is visible in the background on the left, and a road with parked cars is on the left side of the frame.

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