



# BAYOU METAIRIE PARK

COMING SPRING 2021

This long-overlooked portion of Metairie Road will be transformed into a vibrant community park!

With a newly-defined sense of place and an innovative design that invites passive recreation and neighborhood special events, the park will be a model for how to better live with water, educating residents as it addresses localized flooding on this historic thoroughfare.

Named after Bayou Metairie, which once flowed from here to Bayou St. John, the park will be a local gathering hub, complete with picnic tables, permeable walking paths, small boardwalks across bio-retention areas, seat walls, a covered pavilion for small performances, a children's play area, bike racks, drinking fountains, and increased parking, trees, and landscaping.

Additional green infrastructure elements include permeable pavers to allow water to seep into the ground, a bioswale (a vegetated, shallow reservoir for rainwater) with lots of water-loving native plants, and educational signage.

"Bayou Metairie Park will be a true resource for our community, enhancing the many way our residents enjoy the greenspace and serving as a precedent for proper stormwater management to build a sustainable Old Metairie. I look forward to welcoming you to the new Bayou Metairie Park!"

- Councilwoman Jennifer Van Vrancken

