



Logan Gate Village Park 1 & 2

A Request for County Support

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Protecting Our Children: Placing More Eyes On Our Children

Logan Gate Village Special Dependent Tax District was established by County Ordinance 87-50. The development consists of 974 developed parcels. Logan Gate Village is blessed to have 2 County park areas. The first is Logan Gate Park 1&2 and the other is Logan Gate Park 3.

Hillsborough County Sheriff, Parks and Recreation Leaders, and other County Officials have made it known that Logan Gate Park 3 is the least desirable site to host a county park. The primary problem with the park is location. It is secluded which surfaces security issues, it is not centrally located for easy access of all local residents. Until last year there was no sidewalk to

use to go to the park and residents had to walk in the street.

The current President of the Logan Gate Village Special Dependent Tax District has put it this way: "I want more eyes on our children". I want my neighbors, their relatives, their friends, local delivery drivers, to be able to watch our children at play. Parents can not do it all. They need help. Logan Gate Park 1&2 affords every passerby a view of what is going on. It is a natural instinct to

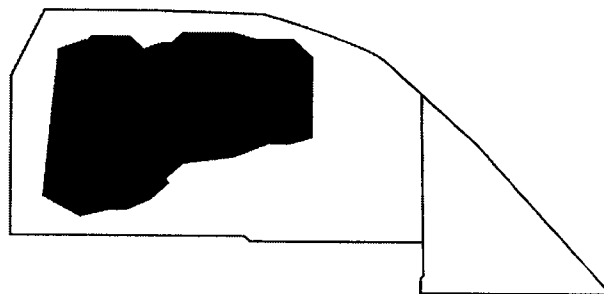
look across the park area .

To further enhance the development of Park 1 and 2 we would like the property on Crystal Brook Pont, FOLIO 6036810000 to be added to the park. Acreage of the parks are as follows:

Park 1 1.31 acre

Park 2 5.82 acre

Undeveloped parcel .81 acre



Why is Logan Gate Village Park 3 Have all the Infrastructure?

Past leaders of the boards really though they were doing the correct thing in building up the back park. Once the infrastructure was in place problems began to surface.

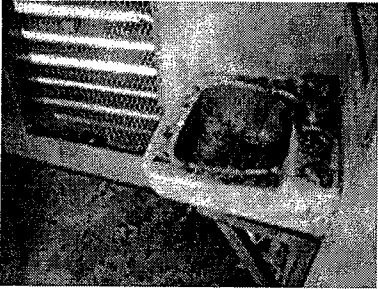
From time to time the parking lot is used for drug transactions. This type

of activity draws outsiders and several unsavory types to our secluded back park.

It is not uncommon to find spent condoms on the floor of the bathrooms. During firework periods like 4th of July and New Year's Eve the bathrooms become a fa-

vorite target.

Neighbors next to the park have complained and some have just sold their home and moved on. It only takes one trip to the park for a parent with a toddler to realize this is not the place to be.



Meeting with Stan Motley—July 2004

In July 2004 Don Hardy and Rick Petrowski, Communities of America met with Stan Motley. We explained to him some of our problems and ideas we had.

We were looking to close down Logan Gate Park 3 and vitalize Logan Gate Park 1&2.

Some of the things we proposed to Mr. Motley were to have a residence built on Park 3 and have it house a Sheriff or other law enforcement officer.

We told him we had considered having the county run a recreational vehicle storage area where county residents could park vehicles they owned but could not park at home due to space or deed restrictions.

Another consideration was to explore the use of the park lands to make a third entrance into Logan Gate Village.

Admittedly some of these concepts were far to extreme for a Parks and Recreation program to encourage or support.

We explained to him the conditions the park was in and the general state of neglect.

Stan immediately had park maintenance paint and clean up the facility and he advised us to seek out our County Commissioner for advice and support.

This brings us to today.

"I want more eyes on our children, parents can not be there every minute of, every day. Protect our children"
Don Hardy

On to Logan Gate Park 1&2

Logan Gate Park 1&2 is located just west of the intersection of Logan Gate Boulevard and Monterey Boulevard. It is comprised of 2 parcels, hence it's name.

The property is bordered by a row of telephone pole stumps installed by parks and recreation along with a gate. It features a pond, s stream, a meadow and a wooded area. The natural resources avail-

able on this property could be enhanced to create a focal point for out neighborhood. Our vision includes these possible elements:

- 1/4 mile walk way
- Play Structures
- Site amenities
 - Benches
 - Receptacles
 - Bike Racks

- Life-Trail Exercise Stations
- Handicap Zone
- Shade structure

Request For Support

Specifically we would like your support to have the Parks and Recreation help us design recreation features that would enhance the park. We would further want to work with you and Parks and Recreation to identify funding sources to support the build-out of recommended features.

