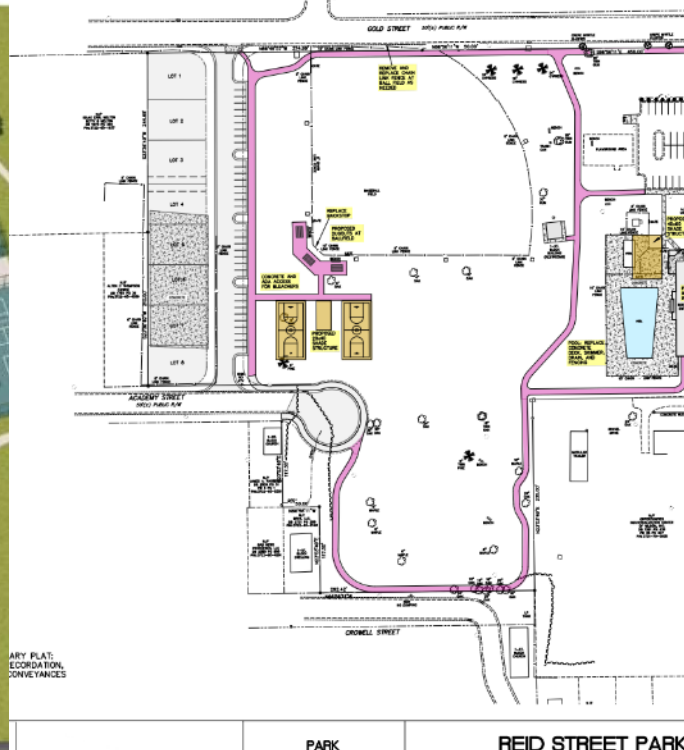


Parks Projects Update

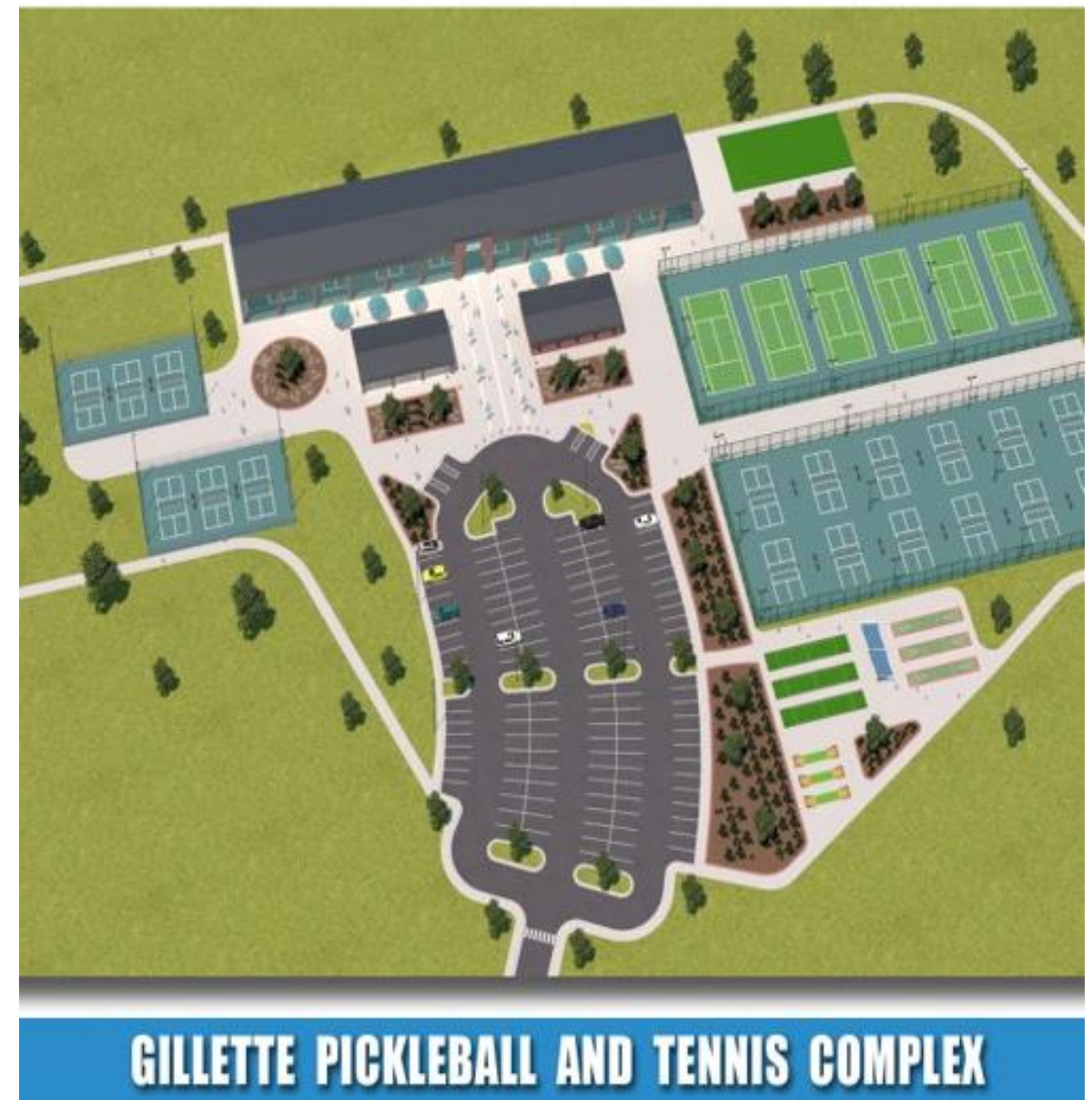
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Pickleball and Tennis Facility at Gillette

Funding provided by Wilson
County Tourism Development
Authority

Groundbreaking: Summer 2023
Ribbon Cutting: Spring 2024



Fleming Stadium Improvements

Grandstand repairs

Project Begins: March 2023

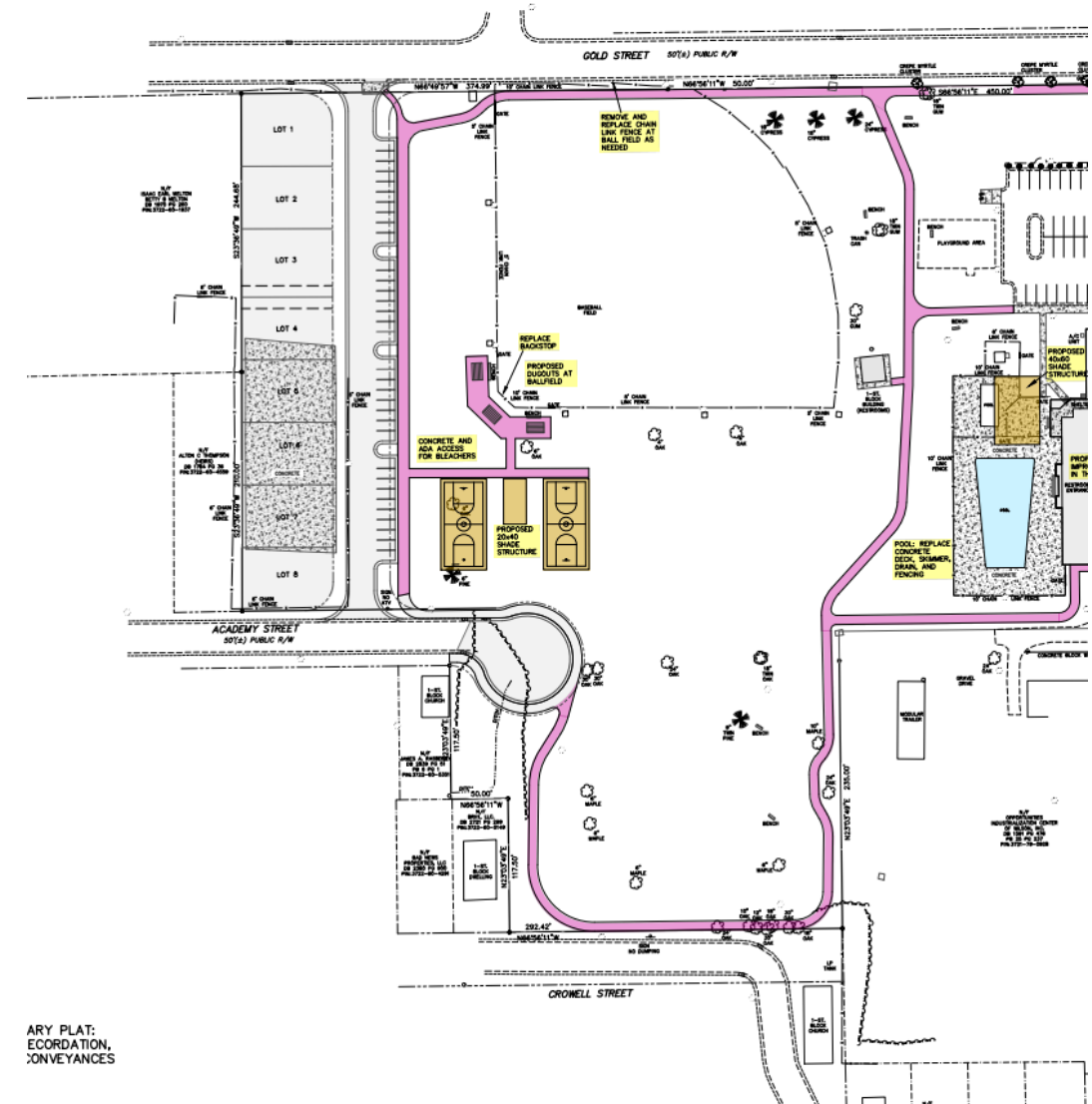
Project Ends: May 2023



Reid Street Community Center Improvements

- Renovate two basketball courts
- Youth/Softball field improvements
- Street paving for easier field access
- Add walking trail
- Add multipurpose grass area
- Pool deck renovation

Project begins: Fall 2023
Ribbon cutting: Fall 2024



Wiggins Mill Reservoir Park Renovation

Construction
Begins:
Summer 2023

Grand Opening:
Summer 2024



Congressional Parks Improvements

City receives nearly \$16.5 million from federal Community Projects Funding

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Funding for several City of Wilson projects was included in the United States Fiscal Year 2023 omnibus appropriations package, which was signed into law on December 29, 2022. Congressman G. K. Butterfield (NC-01) championed these projects as part of the Community Project Funding, which brought nearly \$16.5 million for Wilson projects, in addition to several others projects throughout his district.

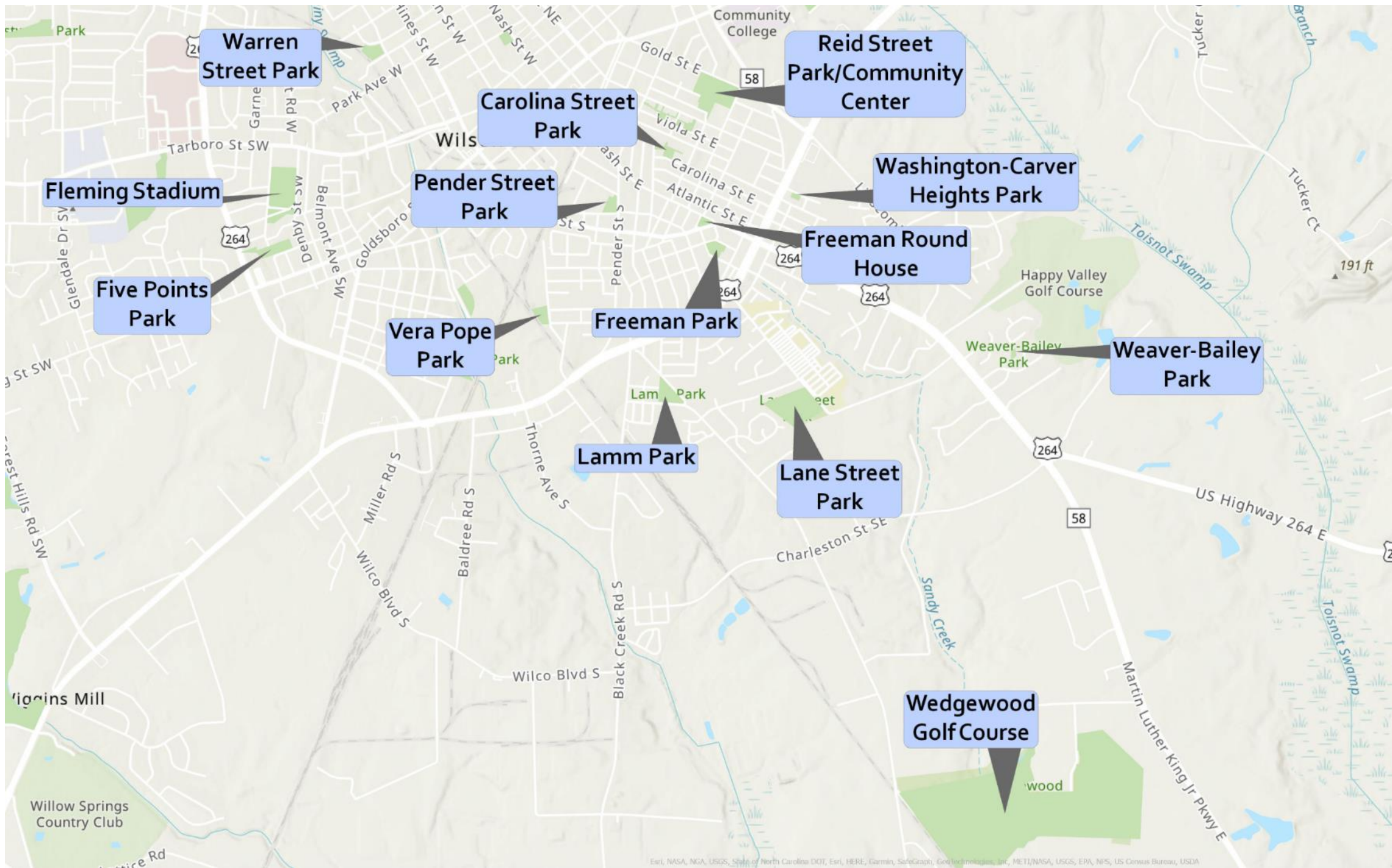
“It’s extremely special to me that my last vote as a Member of Congress will send nearly \$33 million to the First Congressional District of North Carolina,” said Congressman Butterfield. “Representing the First District has been a labor of love for me over the past 18 years and it feels good to know my last effort will positively impact so many hard-working families across the district long after my time in Congress comes to an end.”

The City of Wilson will receive funding for several projects already on the drawing board, including:

- \$7,043,775 for a water quality and greenway project in Wilson
- \$4,000,000 for neighborhood park improvements in Wilson
- \$3,452,972 for sewer collection system improvements in Wilson
- \$2,000,000 for expansion of Wilson RIDE

Congressional Parks Improvements

- Carolina Street Park
- Five Points Park
- Fleming Stadium playground
- Freeman Park
- Freeman Roundhouse Museum
- Lamm Park
- Lane Park
- Pender Street Community Center Park
- Reid Street Community Center
- Vera Pope Resource Center
- Warren Street Park
- Washington Carver Heights Park
- Weaver-Bailey Park
- Wedgewood Park Area



Parks Improvements

- Replacing older playground equipment
- Improving draining and irrigation
- Landscaping improvements
- Adding branded signage
- ADA accessibility
- Some sites will add shelters and picnic tables
- Bid process currently underway
- Timeline in development



Miracle Field at Gillette

- Specially-designed baseball field equipped for children with physical and/or intellectual disabilities to enjoy the game of baseball.
- Much of the cost was provided through community donations.
- Groundbreaking: December 2022
- Grand Opening: Fall 2023





WILSON CITY ALL CHILDREN'S MULTIPLEX

All Children's Splash Pad

- Accessibility for Parks (AFP) Grant from North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority
- \$18 million in requests with \$9 million funded
- Wilson requested and received \$400,000
- Awaiting grant agreement
- No timeline available yet

Governor Cooper Announces \$9.6 Million In Park Accessibility Grants

RALEIGH

The Parks and Recreation Authority has awarded \$9.6 million in park accessibility grants for 21 projects across the state, Governor Roy Cooper announced today. The 2021 state budget included \$10 million for the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund to provide matching grants to local governments for parks facilities for children and veterans living with disabilities. The awards were granted during a March 3 meeting of the authority.

The reach of the funded parks and recreation projects reflect Governor Cooper's ongoing efforts to strengthen communities.

"These projects touch communities from Watauga to Wake to Pamlico with lasting, accessible infrastructure for recreation that will bring improved health and quality of life for North Carolina families," Governor Cooper said. "The focus of accessibility reflects our need for—and commitment to—investing in projects that reflect the needs and abilities of all of our residents and visitors."