

THIS IS IT!

De Soto Acres
P.O. BOX 1544
SARASOTA, FLORIDA

a Home in Florida



A home in Florida is something you have dreamed about. Here living is good. If planning to retire your future years will be spent amid pleasant surroundings. The winters are mild, the summers – tempered

by the Gulf breezes – are comfortable, and the sun shines more than 350 days annually. One begins to live again, and lives longer because of the healthful climate. Life is full of fun, too. There are beaches, excellent fishing and hunting nearby, and one can play golf the year around. Living costs are moderate and the pension or other income will go to remarkable lengths. Then, too, the first \$5,000 of assessed valuation of your home will be exempt from property tax. Truly it is the place to live.

Sarasota



Sarasota is Florida's newest city. Little more than a fishing village when Sarasota County was created in 1919, the community, as it began to develop, sought only the best. Some of the country's foremost engineers and architects were employed to lay out its waterfront areas and to design its public buildings and many of its larger homes.

While Sarasota is a show place, occupying the most beautiful setting on the Florida coast, it is a delightful home community – modest cottages far outnumber its mansions. Its people are cosmopolitan. Among them are industrialists and business men, Army and Navy personnel and pensioned federal employes. Retired railroad executives and employes are numerous, as are farmers and business and professional men from small towns throughout the country.



One of the country's most popular winter resorts, Sarasota has expended large sums to provide entertainment for its thousands of seasonal visitors. The largest tourist recreation plant in Florida is available to the home folk the year around. Fishing is at its best – in the average Sarasota home fishing tackle is as commonplace as the doorbell. Facilities for boating are superb and the beaches are the most attractive on the Gulf of Mexico – and De Soto Acres is less than ten minutes from two of the finest golf courses in Florida.



MOST OF DE SOTO ACRES IS HIGH PINE LAND.

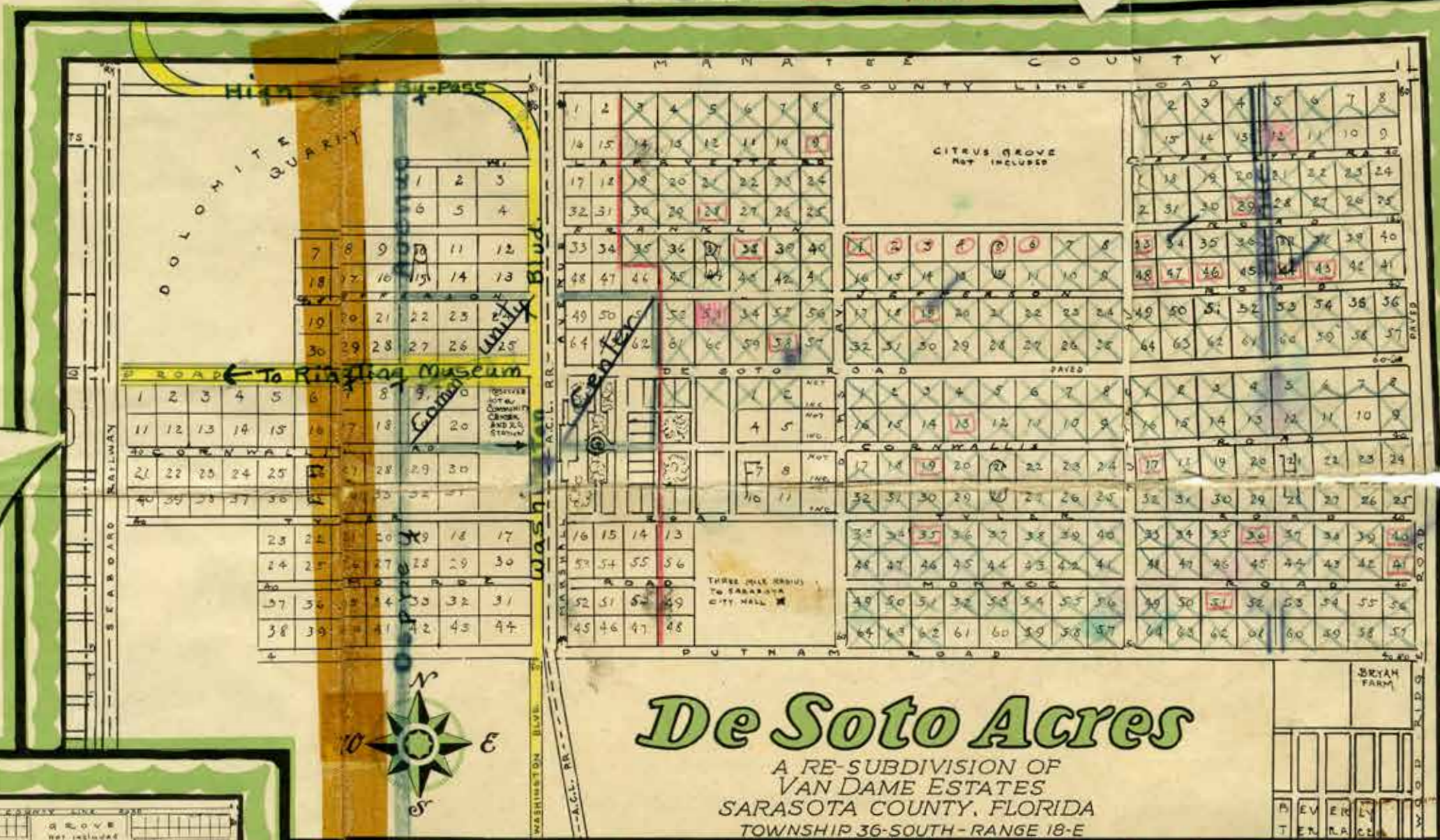
AN OCCASIONAL PALM APPEARS AMONG THE PINES.

A TYPICAL VISTA ALONG DE SOTO ROAD.

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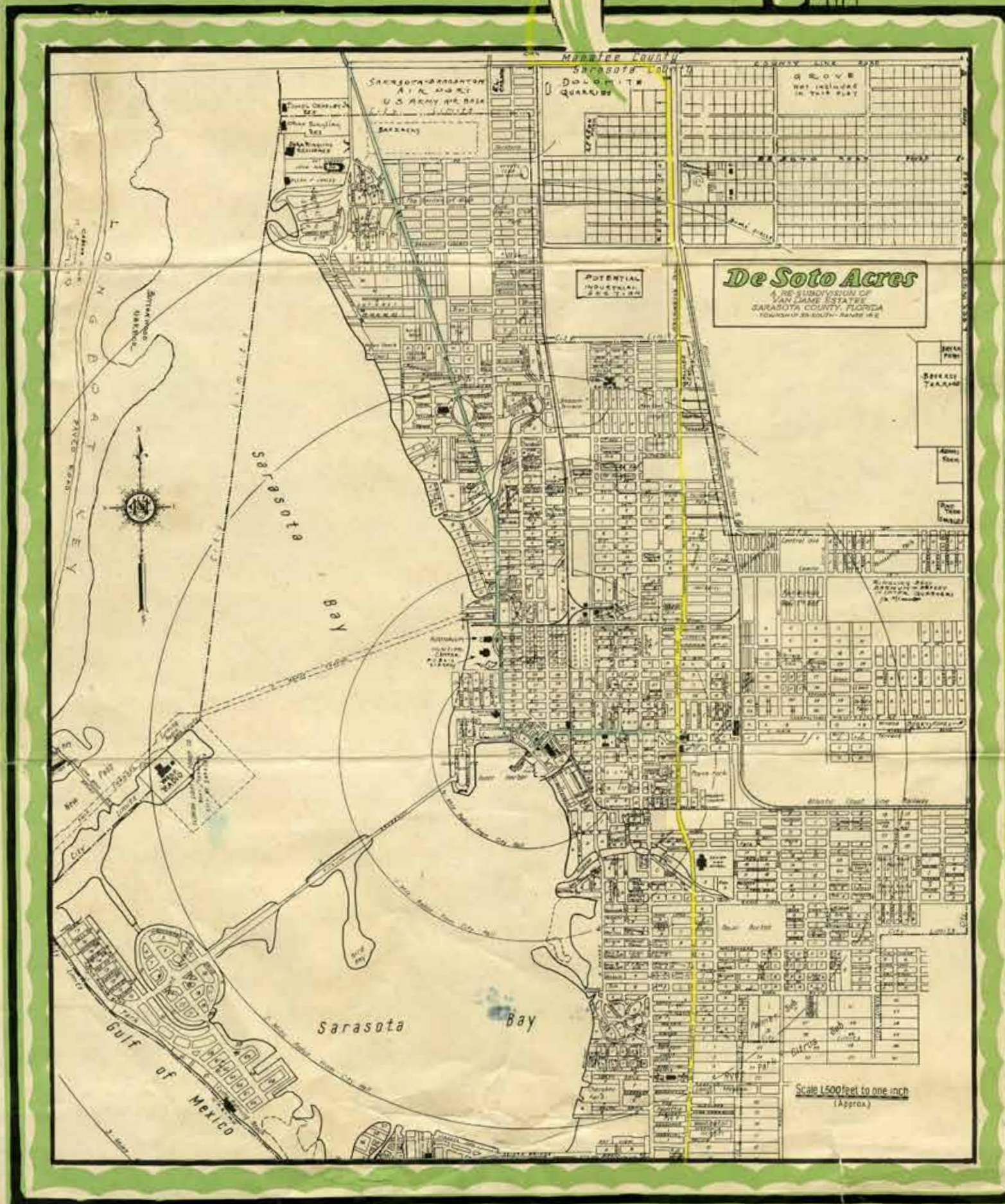
This very unusual suburban development is designed to meet the demand for Florida homesites that go beyond the average city lot. A large proportion of those interested in living in Florida – as evidenced by their inquiries – desire enough ground for a flower and vegetable garden, fruit trees and, perhaps, some hens. They also wish to be near a city because of its conveniences. This large tract of exceptional land adjoins the city limits of Sarasota and is less than ten minutes from its central business district. To provide more than the ordinary town lot we have created De Soto Acres by subdividing a portion of the Van Dame Estate into 1 and 2-acre tracts upon a flexible plan that will permit one to purchase adjoining units, if a larger place is desired. With respect to location, terrain, roads and other advantages we know of nothing like it elsewhere in Florida.

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De Soto Acres

A RE-SUBDIVISION OF
VAN DAME ESTATES
SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA
TOWNSHIP 36-SOUTH - RANGE 18-E



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Outside, but adjoining the city limits of Sarasota and less than 3 1/2 miles from downtown, residents of De Soto Acres, although living in the country, enjoy quick and easy access to the advantages and conveniences of city life. They are nearer Sarasota's central business district than are several areas within the city itself.

As far as we know, this is the only large, desirable tract of land adjoining any city in South Florida not cut up into building lots during the Florida boom of 1925. It enables us to provide the sizeable homesites now demanded for the new and better mode of living. There will be no crowding here—plenty of space between homes.

An area has been reserved at the intersection of De Soto Road, Washington Boulevard and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad for a community center. No business structures will be permitted elsewhere. We expect De Soto Acres to become a town, with its own postoffice, railroad station and other conveniences—De Soto Acres, Florida.

Transportation facilities are complete. Within less than ten minutes are the Sarasota terminals of the Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard Air Line railroads and Tamiami Trailways, the latter offering bus connections everywhere. One of the finest airports in Florida, less than five minutes from the center of De Soto Acres, is a scheduled stop for National Airlines.

Homesites in De Soto Acres are so large a family can be almost self sustaining. All the vegetables, fruits and poultry needed can be produced on the place virtually the year around. Money cannot procure better quality vegetables than can be had fresh from your own garden.

To preserve the high character of De Soto Acres certain restrictions are imposed. The right is reserved to deny purchase of homesites by anyone who might not fit into the life of the community—this is your protection. Plans for homes must be approved by the Corporation and they may cost as little as \$4,000.

Taxes are low in Sarasota County. The first \$5,000 of assessed valuation of your home will be exempt from State and County property taxes. Levies upon unimproved property are so moderate your site will not eat off its head in tax costs even though you delay building several years. You can afford to own a homesite in De Soto Acres.

Initial prices range from \$1,295 to \$4,535—less than the cost of the average 50-foot town lot. Adjoining units are available should one desire space for a small orange grove. Purchase on convenient terms may be arranged.

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