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Executive Summary

A growing body of research provides evidence of the importance of parks, open space, and leisure programming to the environmental, social, and economic health of communities. Sufficient parks and open spaces provide habitat for plants and animals, contribute to effective stormwater management, and offer additional environmental benefits. Parks and open spaces enhance the value of nearby property, and special facilities such as downtown plazas or event spaces can be significant contributors to commercial vitality. Park facilities and programming enhance quality of life while facilitating the social interaction of community residents, thereby making the city a more desirable place to live.

A Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) is a formal document designed to assist communities in the development of park and open space amenities that will satisfy the needs of their citizens. Good planning is essential in making sure these services are provided in an efficient, effective manner.

This report begins by establishing City goals and objectives. It also provides information about the social and physical characteristics of the City of Appleton. These characteristics, when applied according to the guidelines set by National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), provide a basis for understanding open space and recreation needs in the City of Appleton. However, the NRPA guidelines represent suggested general goals and cannot be used as definitive evidence that the unique needs for open space and recreation in a particular city are being met. Due to this variability, a current needs assessment has been conducted based on input from City of Appleton staff and officials, citizen comments from public input meetings and online surveys, and meetings with specific park user groups. This information was used to help compile a list of recommendations for various park facilities throughout the City of Appleton. The recommendations have been integrated into a Capital Improvements Action Plan, in which each project is described and given a date for completion. A list of funding programs, both existing and potential, has also been identified for implementation purposes.

The approval of this plan by the Common Council and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) will enable the City of Appleton to pursue various sources of Federal and State funding such as the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Program (LAWCON), the State Acquisition and Development of Local Parks Program (ADLP), the Urban Greenspace Program, as well as other state grant-in-aid programs for the next five years.

Introduction & Purpose

Public open space and recreation facilities are an important part of a community's effort to meet the needs and promote the well-being of its citizens.

- **Aesthetics and Financial**
Parks, along with overall city landscaping, powerfully influence the image and perception of a community. Parks also improve local tax base, increase property values, and often play a part in business and real estate decisions. According to the NRPA's latest nation-wide study entitled *The Economic Impact of Local Parks*, local park and recreation agencies generated more than \$154 billion in economic activity and more than 1.1 million jobs in 2015. The State of Wisconsin Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) notes that outdoor recreation in Wisconsin generates "almost \$18 billion in consumer spending, 168,000 jobs, \$5.1 billion in wages and salaries, and \$1.1 billion in state and local tax revenue" and that "outdoor recreation is a financial engine in Wisconsin."
- **Health and Wellness**
Parks provide places for neighborhood residents to interact and amenities such as amphitheaters, splash pads, and sports fields create social focal points. Parks also encourage physical activity, especially for those who might not be able to afford expensive gym memberships. This is especially important at a time when America faces rising rates of chronic disease, often connected to increased sedentary lifestyles. Additionally, time in natural settings, provides mental health benefits and stress reduction not found indoors.
- **Historical**
Many parks are named after prominent individuals or historical events and are a good way to connect and educate the next generation in local community history.
- **Infrastructure**
Parks and green spaces also play a less visible, but just as practical part in benefiting the community. Vegetated surfaces absorb and filter runoff water and can be a more efficient and less expensive method of managing stormwater than concrete storm sewer infrastructure. Trees and shrubs also increase air quality and reduce the "urban heat island" effect created by hard surfaces in the summer.



- Educational and Environmental

Large parks and green spaces also provide habitat for plants and animals, preserve carbon-reducing landscapes, and promote a connection to nature. These places are also good places to teach children about the environment and the importance of natural ecosystems.

According to the 2019-2023 Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, Wisconsin's urban population has more than tripled in the last 100 years and over 95% of Wisconsinites enjoy some sort of outdoor recreation. Parks and open space are now viewed as essential to the public good in much the same way that roads, sewers, and other public infrastructure are. As the desire for recreation and open space continues to grow, local communities across the world are finding it necessary to supply more park, open space, and recreational opportunities for their citizens.

Good planning is essential to making sure these services are provided in an efficient and effective manner and makes all the difference between sound investments and crisis management. Several important components of planning are:

- keeping up with changing regulations.
- creating a schedule for improving existing facilities.
- deciding when and where to implement additional facilities.
- identifying and adapting to meet evolving community needs.

This planning process is typically outlined and explained in a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP).

A CORP also provides an inventory of existing facilities and City demographic information, lists goals and objectives, identifies future needs, lists and prioritizes actions to pursue including deciding when and where to site new facilities, taking public need assessments and NRPA guidelines into consideration.

This plan is a cooperative effort based on resources from City of Appleton Comprehensive Plan, other local plans, and input from City staff and citizens. Approval of this plan will maintain City eligibility to apply for and receive federal and state grants. It is also intended to guide the City in continuing to meet the open space and recreation needs of its citizens over the next five years.

City of Appleton Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Management Mission Statement

"Building communities and enriching lives where we live, work and play."



The Appleton Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan is designed to guide the Parks and Recreation Department, city officials, advisory committees, and other partners and stakeholders as they strive to provide the best possible facilities and leisure activities for the citizens of Appleton. To do this, the Appleton Parks and Recreation Department operates with the following vision statement:

"A progressive leader in providing superior parks, recreation and facilities management services to enrich the quality of life for our community."



Key Strategies

1. Provide clean, safe, sustainable and accessible parks, public facilities, public golf course, trails and recreational facilities.
2. Preserve and extend the useful life of real estate, hardscape, playground and other assets.
3. Provide lifelong experiences, healthy living and enrichment
4. Collaborate with partners to provide a wide-range of sustainable, accessible, and diverse recreation/leisure opportunities.
5. Maintain a two-way communication strategy that supports the parks, facilities, programs, and services to solicit input, measure performance and provide timely feedback.
6. Foster a quality workforce and positive work environment.
7. Protect open space, connect the community to nature, and engage the community in conservation practices.
8. Proactively pursue alternative funding sources earmarked directly toward program/facility development and delivery.
9. Embrace innovative technology to improve efficiency and effectiveness.
10. Engage with the City's diverse community and proactively respond to changing demographics, needs and trends.

Accomplishments

- Multiple Joint Use Agreements with the Appleton Area School District, including but not limited to Einstein Middle School, Highlands Elementary School and mowing, parking, and pool agreements.
- The City was awarded Green Tier Legacy Community Status.
- The City achieved silver level bicycle friendly community status through the League of American Bicyclists.
- A new amphitheater and stage were constructed at Pierce Park.
- The Learning Pathway for Youth was installed in Erb and Memorial Parks.
- The City developed master plans for Appleton Memorial Park and the Scheig Center.
- The City's Parks and Recreation Department became the sole operator of all golf course operations at Reid Golf Course.
- The City developed an ADA Transition Plan for public parks and city facilities.
- Pioneer Park was established.
- The City installed synthetic turf in the playground area at City Park.
- A new website for the Parks and Recreation Department was launched.
- The City developed a Trails Master Plan.
- Ellen Kort Peace Park was named and a Master Plan completed.
- City acquired three river railroad trestles from CN Railroad
- Lutz Park trail, lights, and shoreline redevelopment completed long the Appleton Yacht Club
- Lower Telulah Park trailhead parking, ADA canoe/kayak launch and fishing deck
- Phase 2 skateboard park at Telulah Park
- Highview Park tennis and basketball courts
- Linwood Park tennis and basketball courts
- Colony Oaks Park tennis court
- New playgrounds installed at Lions Park, Kiwanis Park, and Green Meadows
- Redevelopment of Jones Park with new playground, pavilion, and amphitheater

- Redevelopment of Erb Park and Aquatic Facility
- Digital message park sign at Memorial Park
- Redevelopment of Scheig Center gardens and hardscape
- Reconstructed parking lot in Memorial Park by Miracle League Field
- Alicia Park trail and lights
- Lutz Park parking lot light and pole replacement
- City Park light and pole replacement
- Hockey rink and family rink at Pierce Park
- Redevelopment frisbee golf course at Telulah Park
- ADA bleacher and dugout pads at Linwood Park
- Schaefer Park trail and basketball court
- ADA grilling areas at Schaefer Park, Kiwanis Park, Hoover Park, Woodland Park, Highview Park, and Lions Park
- Repaving of North Island Trail and CE Trail
- Repaving of Alicia Park parking lot and Pierce Park roadways



Goals and Objectives

Goals represent desired situations toward which planning efforts should be directed. They are broad and long-range. They represent an end to be sought, which may never be fully realized.

Objectives describe more specific purposes which should be sought to advance toward achievement of the goals. They are targets along the path to satisfying the goals.

The following goals and objectives are meant to guide City officials and staff as they work to improve the City's park and open space system. Together, the goals and objectives indicate the type of outdoor recreation and open space system the City would like to provide for its residents and visitors, and a means to work toward providing it. The goals address three aspects of a recreation system, the first dealing with the provision of outdoor recreation sites and facilities, the second dealing with the provision of open space, and the third dealing with the intent and purpose of this plan.

PARK AND OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION

Goal: Identify land for acquisition, or opportunities to share facilities, to provide adequate access to parks in developed parts of Appleton where there are no existing parks.

Objectives:

- As noted above, there are areas within the developed part of Appleton and parts of adjoining towns that may someday come into Appleton, that are not adequately served by existing parks. The City should seek to provide desired facilities within these areas in partnership with other stakeholders. Priorities may include partnering with the Appleton Area School District to provide public access and recreational facilities for residents in the surrounding neighborhoods.
- Acquire and develop additional park areas in neighborhoods where residential density is expected to increase through redevelopment activities. These may include remnant parcels along the railroad track north of downtown, sites along the Fox River, and publicly or privately-owned pocket parks and plazas on individual redevelopment sites.

Goal: Continue to work with land developers and municipalities to acquire new park land through dedication or other means, as new development occurs.

Objectives:

- Continue park land and trail dedication, or fee-in-lieu-of land dedication requirements for all new residential development. Additional land should be required for new development in the north, far southeast, and southwest parts of Appleton and its future growth area.
- Where development may occur in adjacent municipalities, the City should work with the municipality to identify suitable locations, require dedication, and develop park facilities to meet the needs of current and potential future Appleton residents.

Goal: Develop the City's park system as an interconnected network of sites linked by greenways and trails.

Objectives:

- Create linkages between parks with long-term goal to have the City's parks arranged as nodes connected by recreational or environmental corridors. Stormwater drainageways, floodplains and wetland areas, utility corridors, railroad corridors, and other greenways may serve this purpose.
- Implement the recommendations contained within the 2016 Appleton Trails Master Plan.

PARK AND RECREATION FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT

Goal: Continue to make parks and recreation facilities and programs as efficient and effective as possible.

Objectives:

- Where it makes sense, adopt practices to cluster or consolidate dedicated athletic fields in order to reduce maintenance costs and to provide greater flexibility for the use of neighborhood parks. Neighborhood parks are typically small facilities. Installation of large athletic fields intended for a single, or small number of uses, can eliminate the potential for other activities to occur. Additionally, having these dedicated athletic fields scattered throughout the city can increase maintenance and operational costs.
- Preserve the maximum flexibility for use of neighborhood parks while simultaneously reducing costs by concentrating similar dedicated-purpose fields in a limited number of central locations.
- Investigate and implement technologies that reduce maintenance costs or allow more intensive use of park facilities.
- Continue to consider alternative approaches that may help to mitigate the impacts of park use, or reduce maintenance costs. For example, artificial turf can bear more intensive use than a conventional grass playing field with less maintenance, but has a higher installation and replacement cost, and may contribute to stormwater runoff. The use of naturalized plantings can reduce mowing requirements and have

environmental benefits, but may not be an aesthetic accepted by all members of the community. The benefits and drawbacks to practices such as these should be weighed when contemplating alternatives.

- Monitor and assess the demand for new facilities related to specific emerging or growing recreational pursuits.
- Complete a needs assessment and market analysis to explore how the City should provide indoor recreation and cultural services and facilities necessary to serve the growing needs of the community.
- Complete a needs assessment for outdoor athletic fields as they relate to the growth of youth and adult programs and future needs.

Goal: Expand and develop additional park and recreational facilities along the Fox River.

Objectives:

- Plan, design, and construct additional facilities to facilitate greater access and enjoyment of the river including but not limited to boat launch and parking, canoe/kayak launch, additional trail facilities, trail heads, trail parking, and wayfinding signage.
- Explore and foster partnerships with other agencies and programs with compatible missions, including but not limited to the Fox River Navigation System Authority, Outagamie County, Fox Cities Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region.

Goal: Plan, design, and develop additional parks and recreational facilities that meet current and emerging needs of the community.

Objectives:

- Plan, design, and construct additional facilities to meet the needs of the community, including but not limited to a recreation center to address the growing demand on programs and rented space, which the Department currently contracts for.
- Plan, design and construct new facilities to better serve those areas of the community where service coverage gaps exist as discussed earlier in this chapter.
- Evaluate potential policies, park improvements, or new facilities to accommodate the needs of dog owners, including but not limited to downtown area neighborhoods.

Goal: Continue to implement the Capital Improvement Plan for development of specific parks and facilities.

RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

Goal: Engage, leverage and develop community and corporate partners to optimize and broaden programs and services.

Objectives:

- Plan with the numerous recreation service providers throughout our community. It is important we stay on top of trends and strengthen partnerships to become more responsive to community needs. Community partnerships play a vital role in our future success and ability to broaden our program offerings.

Goal: Expand public outreach and participation in community groups, organizations and events to advocate our programs, facilities, and services.

Goal: Enhance health and wellness within our community and provide opportunities for learning and socialization to promote personal growth and well-being for adults in our community.

Objectives:

- With the surge of baby boomers coming into the older adult population, it will be critical for us to continually evaluate our program offerings and services to this demographic.

Goal: Working together with community partners, increase programming directed to minority and cultural interests, and for persons who are physically or cognitively challenged.

Objectives:

- Appleton will continue to program activities of cultural interest, as well as provide facilities and activities that are universally accessible.

Goal: Develop and deliver meaningful outdoor adventure and educational experiences for members of our community to help connect them to the outdoors. Work to promote the trail system and increase use of our outdoor amenities.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS

Goal: Continue to enhance Departmental management and operations to better serve the community.

Objectives:

- Conduct a periodic review of Appleton's park land dedication ordinance as well as impact fees for development of park facilities.
- Evaluate impact fees as a means of funding park capital costs.
- Continue the Park and Recreation Department's practice of evaluating the carrying capacity of park facilities and establishing standards or use limits that protect them from damage caused by over-use. This policy mitigates damage to facilities that would incur costs to repair and deprive residents of the use of the facility while repairs were made.
- Continue the Park and Recreation Departments commitment to, and implementation of "best practices" for sustainable park development and operations including but not limited to:
 - acquisition of land for parks as well as the preservation of natural features.
 - development of paths and trails that facilitate non-motorized transportation modes.
 - specification of local, recycled content, or other products that minimize processing impacts to the environment.
 - improvements in energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources.
 - adoption of design elements that enhance the environment and reduce maintenance costs.
 - utilization of low-maintenance and native planting materials.
- Identify and evaluate barriers to providing in-person customer service at current facilities.
- Continue self-operation of Reid Golf Course to ensure the needs of the community are met.

Community Description

Appleton is a community of an estimated 74,598 residents situated in the Fox River Valley of northeastern Wisconsin. Located at the crossroads of US Interstate 41 and US Highway 10, Appleton is part of one of the fastest growing urban areas in the State of Wisconsin.

A. History

Appleton was first settled in 1848, incorporated as a village in 1853, and became a city in 1857. The earliest white settlers in the area were fur traders following the Fox and Wisconsin Rivers. A series of rapids, the "Grand Chutes," required travelers to portage at the present site of Appleton.

Industry soon followed to harness the power of the falling water. The first paper mill, constructed in 1853, was soon followed by others in Appleton as well as elsewhere in the Fox Valley. Papermaking provided the industrial base on which the region grew.

Readily available hydropower opportunities led to the City's pioneering use of electricity. The Vulcan Street Hydroelectric Central Station was constructed and began operation on November 25, 1882 in order to provide electricity to paper mills. The Vulcan Street Plant represents one of the earliest examples of a hydroelectric plant operation that sold electricity commercially and provided incandescent lighting service to the public. On August 16, 1886, the Appleton Electric Street Railway Company began operation of five Pullman cars on the newly installed track, becoming the United States' first commercial electric street railway. Electric lights replaced gas lamps on College Avenue in 1912.

Education has also played an important role in the City. Appleton has grown along with Lawrence University. Chartered in 1847, the school covers 84 acres of ground on the east side of the downtown, north of the Fox River. Appleton was named for an early benefactor of the college. The school attracts students from all over the United States and several countries, and brings many cultural programs to the community.

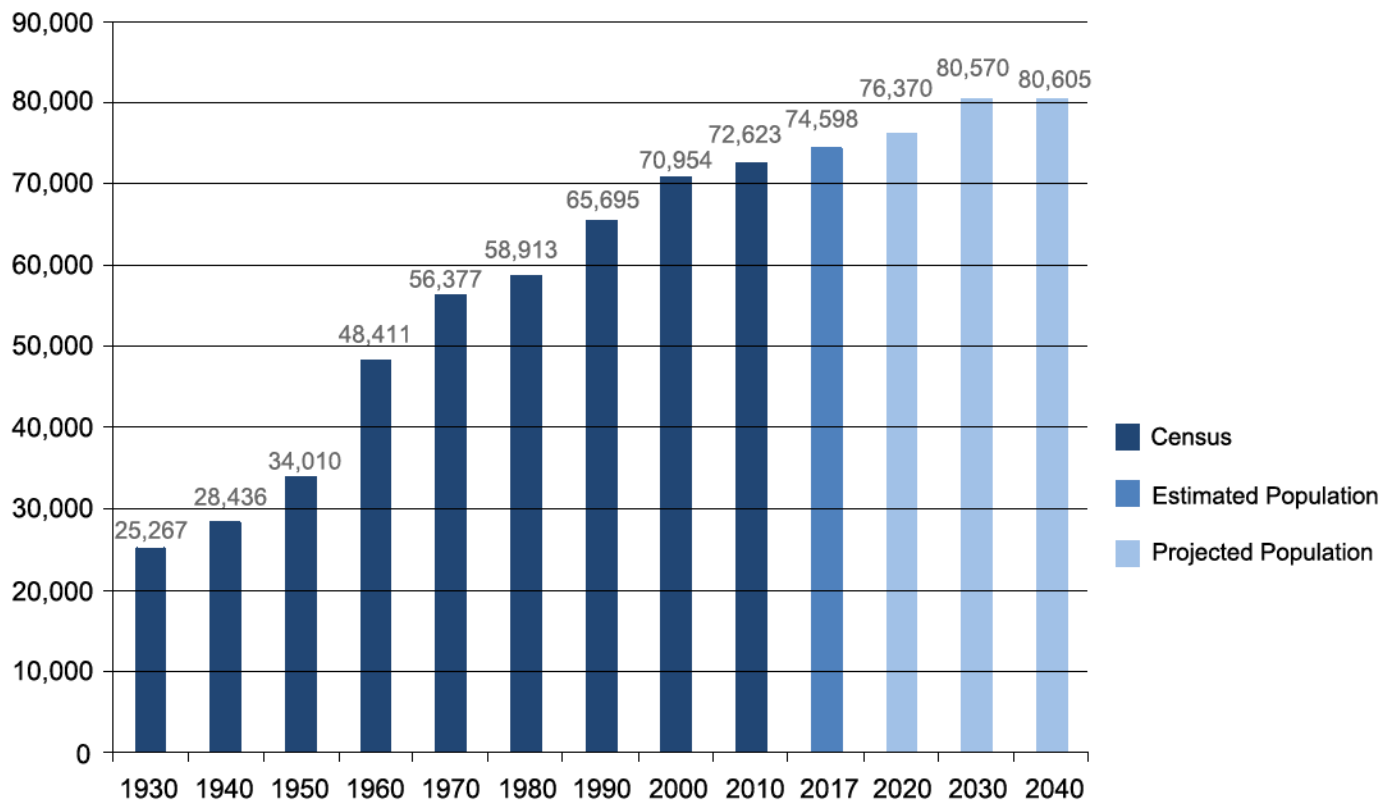
Appleton also lays claim to being the site of the first enclosed shopping Mall in the United States. Valley Fair Shopping Center was constructed in 1954, although much of it was subsequently torn down and a portion was reused for commercial space. Today, the City's downtown retailers have specialized in order to successfully compete with the Fox River Mall and other commercial development along US Interstate 41 in the neighboring Town of Grand Chute.

B. Social Demographics

Size and Population Trends

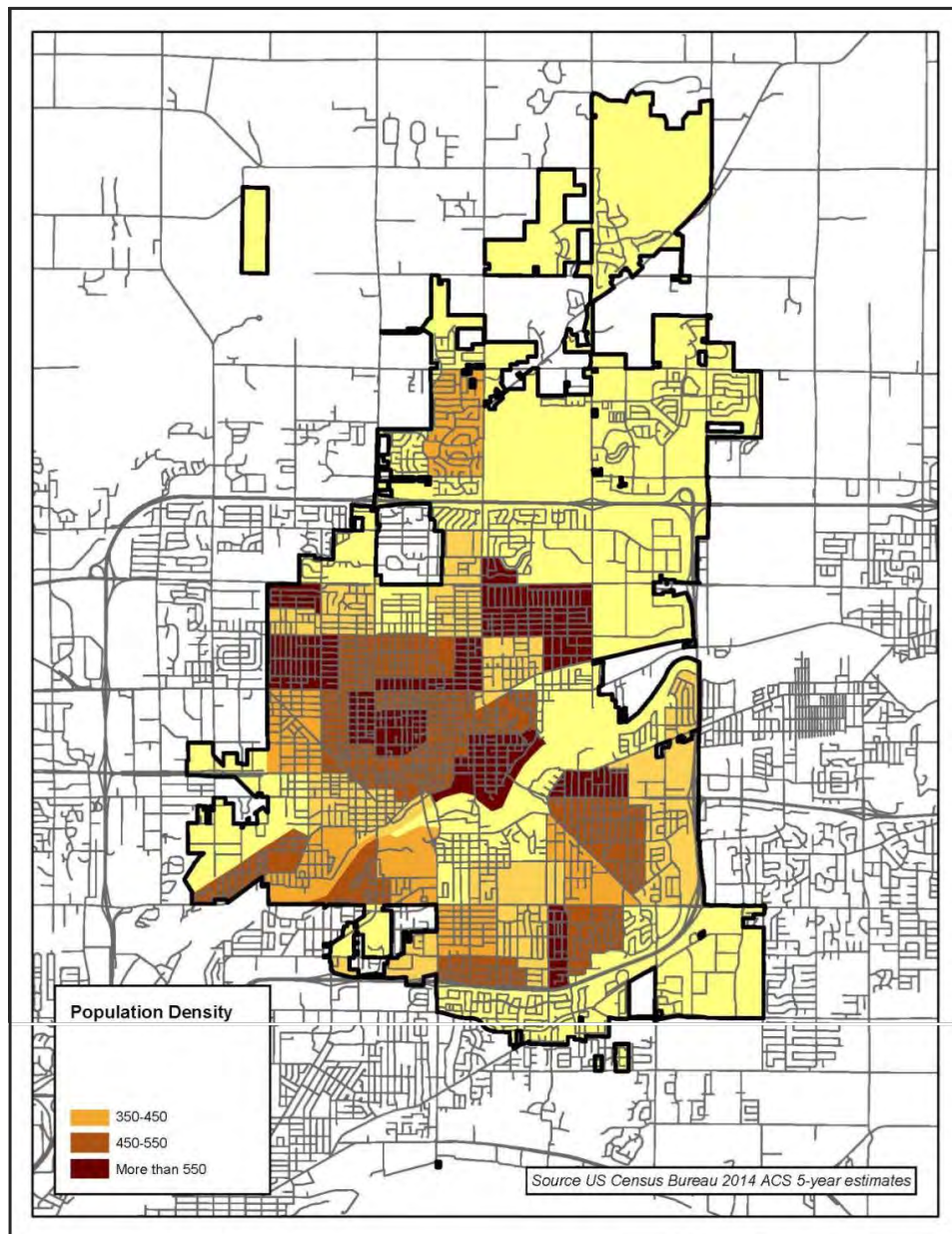
The City of Appleton has continued to grow steadily over the years, with the most significant increases in the 1950's and 1960's. After a comparative slowdown between 2000 and 2010, the Appleton population continues to rise gradually. According to the 2020 to 2040 population estimates produced by the Wisconsin Department of Administration, the population of the City is predicted to increase by about 3% every decade.

**HISTORIC AND PROJECTED POPULATION
CITY OF APPLETON, 1930 - 2040**



Numbers taken from the Wisconsin Department of Administration
<http://doa.wi.gov/Divisions/Intergovernmental-Relations/Demographic-Services-Center/Wisconsin-Population-Projections/>
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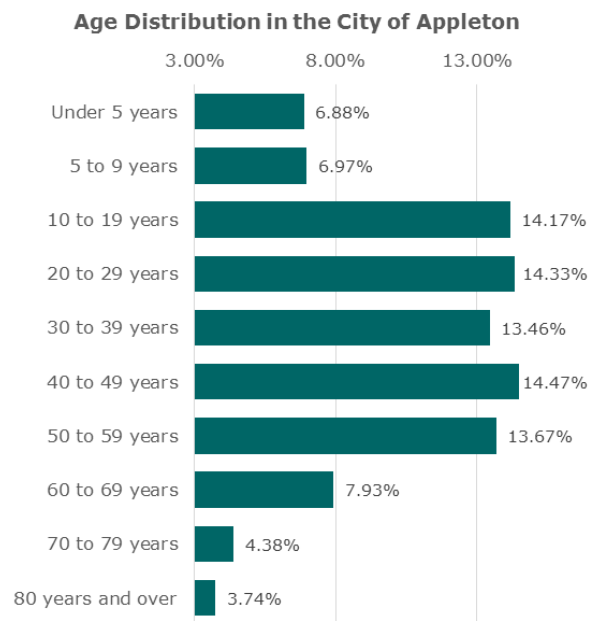
Appleton's population is concentrated in central portions of the City. These areas tend to have housing units that were constructed prior to 1950 and higher proportions of multi-family housing.



Age, Gender, and Diversity

According to the 2010 U.S. Census, approximately 18% of Appleton's population consists of K-12 school aged children (5 to 17) and 6.88% of the City's population was under the age of 5. Over half (52.78%) of the City's 2010 population was within the working age cohort (18 to 54 years old) with approximately 10.88% within retirement age (55 to 64 years old). Persons aged 65 years and older comprised 11.33% of the population with 3.74% 80 years and over.

The median age within Appleton in 2010 was 35.3 years old. This is a slight increase from the 2000 median age of 33.8.

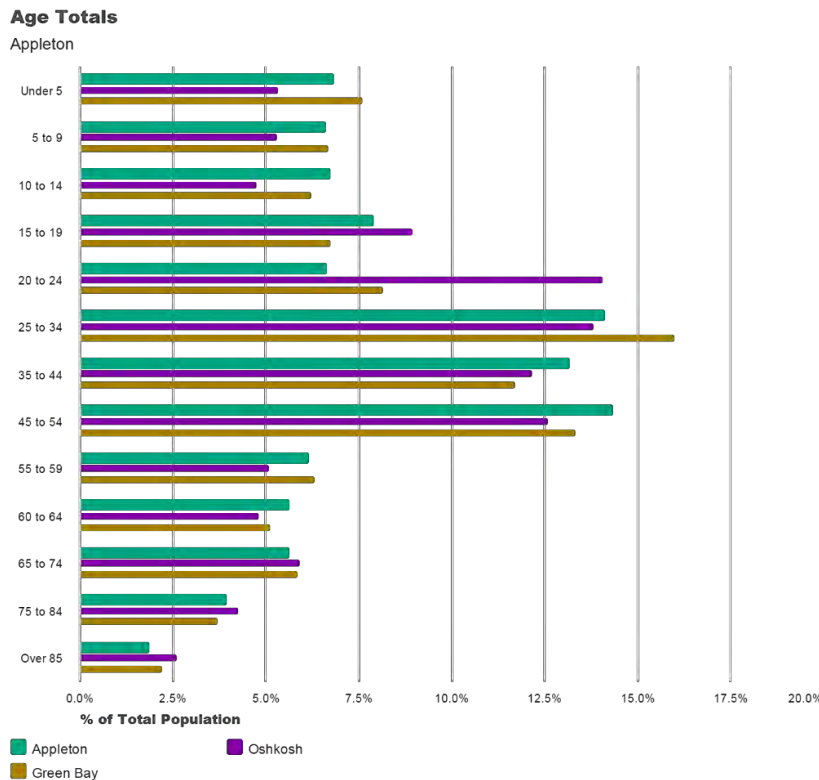


Compared to other similarly sized cities in the region, Appleton has a higher percentage of children age 14 and under. Appleton also has a higher percentage of working adults in the 35 to 44 and 45-54 age cohorts than both Oshkosh and Green Bay.

Looking ahead, the City of Appleton can expect to experience the same demographic trends that are occurring at the national and state level in terms of aging. For example, according to a report¹ by the Wisconsin Department of Administration over the period 2010-2040:

- The elderly population (age 65 and over) will increase rapidly in every five-year interval, from 777,500 in 2010 to 1,535,500 in 2040, nearly doubling in 30 years.
- The very elderly population (age 85 and over) will increase 140%- a trend across the country, indicating that the City contains an increasing ratio of older residents who will require special services as they age.
- The shares of three broad age groups will change across the 30-year time span in this manner:
 - Ages 0-17: from 23% in 2010 to 21% in 2040

- Ages 18-64: from 63% in 2010 to 55% in 2040
- Ages 65 & over: from 14% in 2010 to 24% in 2040.
- The state's median age is projected to rise from 38.4 years in 2010 to 42.4 in 2040. In comparison, the Census Bureau projects the national median age will rise from 37.7 to 40.4 years across the same period.



Women made up 50.5% (and men 49.5%) of Appleton's 2010 population- very similar to the 50.4% average in the state of Wisconsin.

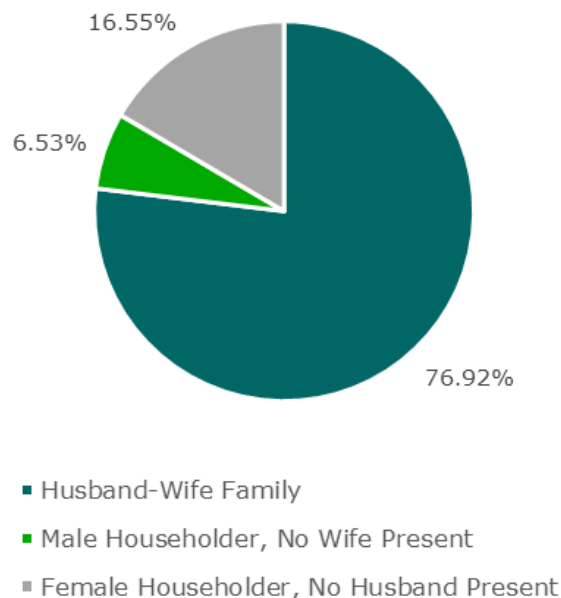
Appleton has seen tremendous growth in diversity over the past few decades. In the 1980's, 1.75 percent of individuals in the City identified as a race other than white. By the year 2000, that number had grown to 8.7 percent. Representation of minority communities almost doubled between 2000 and 2010, bringing the total to 15 percent. The City projects that this growth trend will bring the total closer to 23 percent minority population by the 2020 Census. In the 2010 Census, the largest minority population in the City of Appleton was Asian at 5.9 percent, followed by Hispanic/Latino at 5.0 percent. The Hispanic/Latino population currently makes up the largest minority group in Wisconsin. The City of Appleton anticipates a similar trend by the 2020 Census. The 2010 Census indicated that the African American population made up 1.7 percent of the total population, and that is also expected to increase. In addition, the City of Appleton has seen a number of incoming refugees in the past two years, with people coming from Iraq, Afghanistan, The Congo and Cuba. Although not represented in Census data, the City is home to a diversity of religions, people with disabilities and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender individuals, all of whom contribute to the rich diversity of the community.

The City of Appleton prides itself on inclusion. Inclusion refers to how diversity is leveraged to create a fair, equitable, healthy, and welcoming community where all individuals are respected, feel engaged and motivated, and their contributions toward meeting societal goals are valued. Appleton established a position for a Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator in its city budget in 1997, and that position currently remains. This position works with City leaders to make a more welcoming community for all.

Housing, Education, and Income

As of the 2010 Census, there were 30,348 housing units available in the City of Appleton. 28,874 of the available housing units were occupied (95.1 percent) with 67.3 percent of occupied housing units being owner-occupied and 32.7 percent being renter-occupied. Of the 1,474 vacant housing units (4.9 percent), only 83 were due to seasonal, recreational, or occasional purposes.

**Family Household Composition
in the City of Appleton**

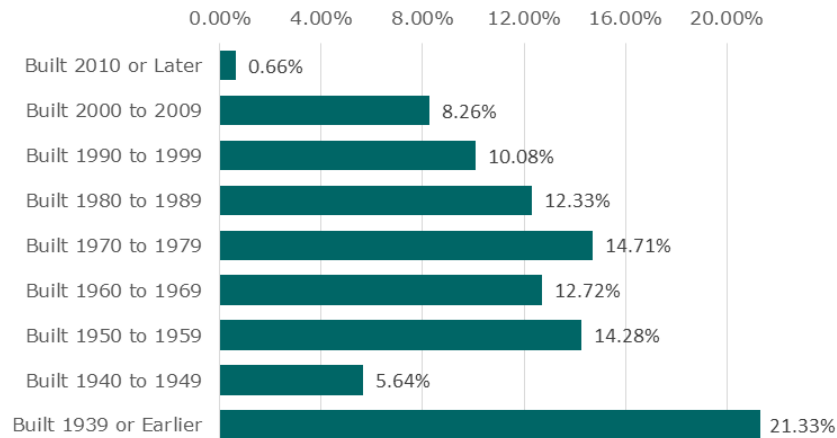


The majority of the occupied housing units (63.3 percent) consisted of family households. As depicted by the adjacent chart, a majority of family households are occupied by a husband-wife family (76.92 percent). 44.57 percent of these families had children under the age of 18 years living in the same household unit.

According to the American Community Survey completed in 2014, out of the 30,460 total housing units they estimated, a housing unit in the City of Appleton most likely consists of 3 bedrooms (40.38 percent) with 5 rooms in total (20.08 percent). Of the 19,519 owner-occupied units, 70.01 percent currently have an outstanding mortgage and 43.54 percent have a value between \$100,000 and \$149,999.

The average educational level of Appleton residents surpasses that of the State of Wisconsin. According to the 2010 Census, 91.8 percent of Appleton's population aged 25

Percentage of Housing Units by Date Constructed in the City of Appleton



years and over graduated high school, compared to the 90.8 percent statewide. In addition, 31.9 percent of Appleton's population 25 and older held a bachelor's degree or higher while only 27.4 percent of Wisconsin's population achieved this level of education.

The concentration of colleges and universities within an hour of Appleton contribute to its positive educational attainment statistics. Fox Valley Technical College, Lawrence University, St. Norbert College, and three University of Wisconsin campuses (Fox Valley, Oshkosh, and Green Bay) provide higher educational opportunities to residents of Appleton and the region.

Appleton's median household income was \$53,439 based on the 2010 US Census. This exceeds the median household income of the state at \$52,738. However, the per capita income for Appleton is \$27,548, which is slightly lower than Wisconsin's per capita income of \$27,907.

The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development reports annual per capita income for Wisconsin counties and metropolitan areas. In 1969, per capita income in Appleton was less than both the state average and the average for the Fox Valley Workforce Development Area. By 1979, Appleton incomes had overtaken the region, and by 1999 Appleton residents were earning more than the state average. Income in the Appleton CSA continued to grow faster than that of the state as a whole through the mid-2000's, but since then has been lagging behind statewide growth.

The poverty status was determined for the City of Appleton in the 2014 American Community Survey and it concluded that 11.7 percent (8,218 persons) fell below the poverty level. From this portion of the population for whom poverty status was determined, 33.9 percent (2,789 persons) were under the age of 18.

Employment and Economic Characteristics

The US Census Bureau prepares economic data and forecast reports for various municipalities and for the state as a whole. Information in this section is based on *Selected Economic Characteristics: 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates*.

Between 2010 and 2015, Appleton experienced a 2.5% increase in the total number of people in the labor force as well as a 5.2% increase in the number of people employed. During this time, the average household income rose 5.7%, while the median household income rose by 4.5%.

The Census also reported that the majority of those in the workforce are employed in the Educational, Healthcare & Social Service sector (21.3%), closely followed by Manufacturing (21.2%). The next largest industries are the Retail Trade (11.5%), Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation (10.6%), and Professional, Scientific, Management, and Administrative (9.0%).

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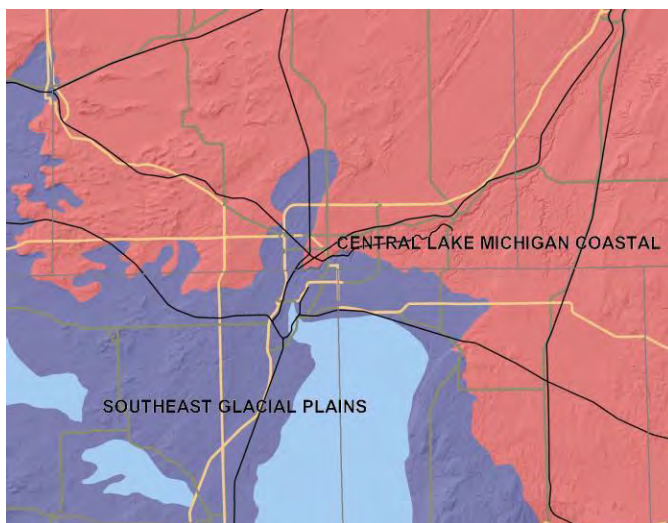
Location

Appleton, approximately 24.8 square miles in size, is located near the center of the southern border of Outagamie County straddling the Fox River. Major roadways within the City include: Interstate 41 which curves west and north of the City and State Wisconsin 441 which curves south and north of the city. Both roads cross the Fox River, which bisects the city. Other major roadways include: WIS 10, WIS 47, WIS 96, and WIS 125. Nearby cities include De Pere, Ashwaubenon, and Green Bay to the north, Neenah, Menasha, and Oshkosh to the south, Stevens Point to the west, and Manitowoc to the east.

Soil Types and Topography

Although many soil types can be found in the Appleton area (including lime-rich tills, clays, loams, and sandy deposits) the dominant soil types consist of silty loam, silty clay, and silty clay loams. Typical examples include Brigssville and Kewaunee silt loams and Winneconne silty clay. These soils tend to be relatively deep. Dolomite is the predominant bedrock type, although the Fox River Valley is underlain by shale.

The area has been further classified into several land type associations. Four of these cover the majority of Appleton and its extraterritorial jurisdiction. The Fox River Valley (212Zb01) is a nearly level lake plain dissected by narrow v-shaped valleys, with moderately well-drained silty clay loams. The Freedom Plains (212Zb02) is a nearly level lake plain complex with well-drained silty loam. The Holland Plain (212Zb04) is an undulating plain cut by V-shaped valleys. Its predominant soil is a well-drained silt loam. The Greenville Moraines are a characteristic undulating moraine with well drained silt loam.



Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

The dominant hydrological feature in Appleton is the Lower Fox River, which runs through the center of the City from west to east. The river has been central to the City's formation, first as a transportation route for Native Americans and fur trappers, later as a source of power for industry, and now as an environmental feature that draws residents and visitors.

Grading and filling have altered the original drainage patterns over much of the urbanized area of Appleton, replacing open streams with storm sewers and channels. The narrow ravines leading down to the Fox River are a remnant of this former landscape.

The well-drained plains and ravines ensure that Appleton is notably free of wetlands and wetland indicator soils.

Climate, Flora, and Fauna

Wisconsin in general is classified as a humid continental climate, consisting of four distinct seasons. Summers are hot and humid while winters are long, cold, and snowy.

Appleton lies at the border of the Central Lake Michigan Coastal and Southeast Great Plains Ecological Regions of Wisconsin. The Central Lake Michigan Coastal Ecological Region is dominated by Lake Michigan, which moderates summer and winter temperatures and produces greater rainfall than further inland. Its primary geological feature is the Niagara Escarpment, which lies to the east of Appleton. The Southeast Great Plains Ecological Region is made up of glacial deposits dating to the Wisconsin Ice Age.

Prior to settlement, the Appleton area was covered by several different types of plant communities. The most dominant of these were hardwood forests made up of sugar maple, beech, basswood, and oaks. Swamps (wetlands) and oak openings (savannas) could also be found in the area. Very little of this native landscape remains. In place of its original forests, Appleton now has a well-developed "urban forest" made up of trees on both public and private property within the city, such as those in city parks, street trees, trees on commercial property, and those on individual homeowner's lots.

The City of Appleton has been recognized as a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation for the last 33 years because of its commitment to the community's urban forest. Cities that have earned 10 Growth Awards are recognized as Tree City USA – Sterling Communities and regarded as leaders and innovators in community forestry. Appleton received this prestigious designation in 2002.

Land Use

The vast majority of the City of Appleton is zoned some variety of Residential or Commercial. Public Institutional, which includes the park system, follows in size.

Agriculture remains an important element of the regional economy, although its role within the City of Appleton is somewhat limited. Active farmland within or adjacent to the City is located predominantly to the north, where continued growth (by Appleton and its neighbors) is resulting in conversion of agricultural land to urban uses.

Of the existing farmland, corn, forage, and soybeans are the primary crops. Cattle and calves make up a vast majority of the livestock farmed. Other livestock raised in the area includes poultry, hogs, and lambs.

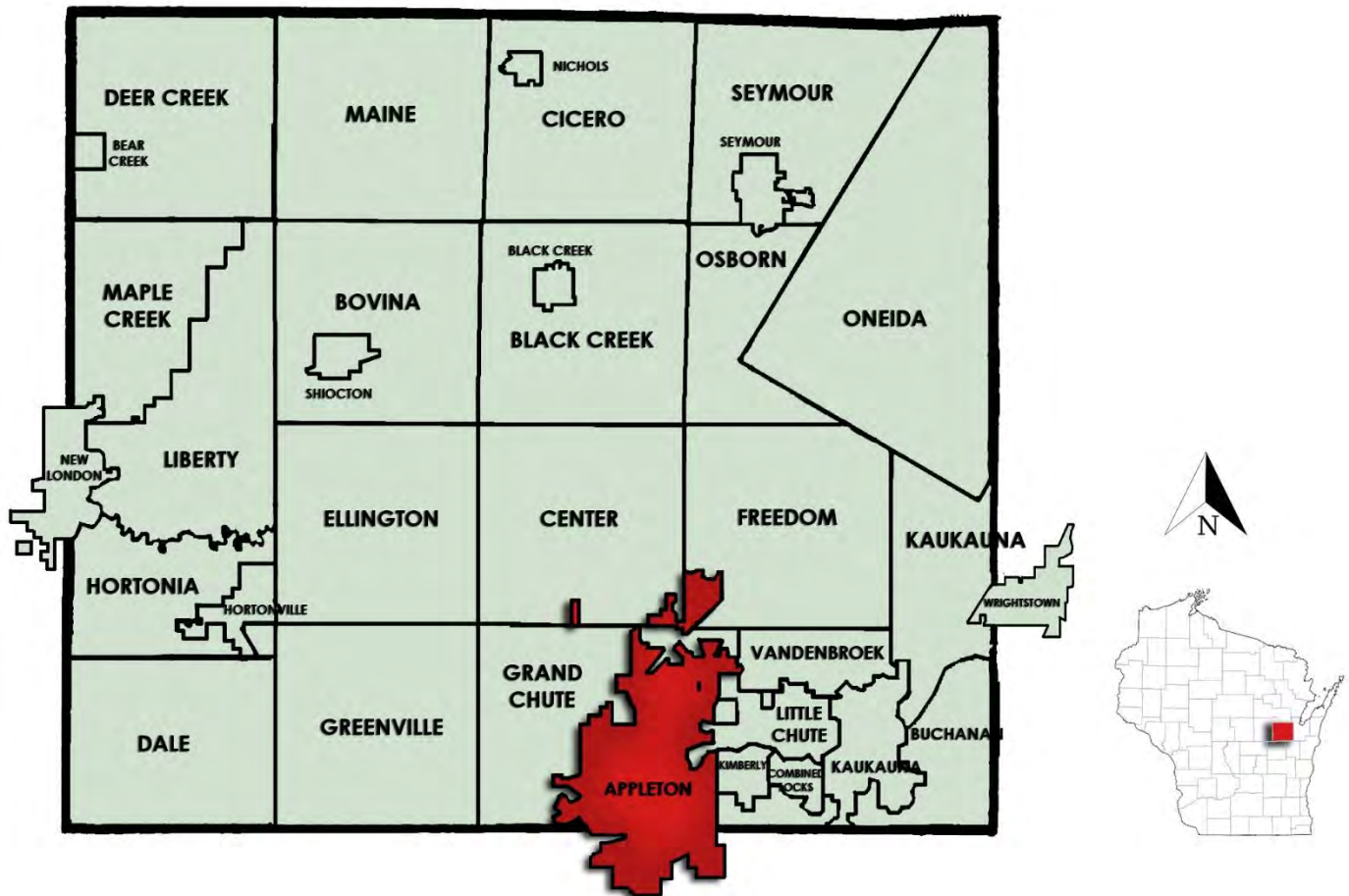
In 2012 there were 8 food manufacturing businesses in the City of Appleton, employing 292 people and having a payroll in excess of \$11 million/

Community supported agriculture (CSA) is a growing strategy for providing fresh farm products to urban households. Several community supported agricultural programs currently provide service to Appleton.

Please see *Appendix E: Appleton Maps and Documents* to view the current Zoning map and Future Land Use map for the City of Appleton.

D. Spatial

OUTAGAMIE COUNTY MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES



Park System Standards and Terminology

Classifying a community's parks by type helps planners better evaluate those parks. The chart below, based on the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), is intended to define key terms and identify the existing system resources. The City's park and recreation inventory is discussed in the context of the following standards adopted by the Parks and Recreation Department.

Outdoor Recreation Facilities Terminology				
Classification	General Description	Service Area	Size Criteria	Examples
Pocket or Mini Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used to address limited, isolated, or unique recreational needs. • Contains greenery, a place to sit outdoors, children's playground, or historical marker or art project. • Often created on a single urban lot or remnant parcel. 	Less than a 1/4 mile distance.	Typically between 2,500 sq. ft. and 1 acre	
Neighborhood Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The basic unit of the park system. • Serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. • Used for informal active and passive recreation. • Passive areas are wooded, scenic, and well landscaped. Passive area facilities are limited but should include picnic areas (with tables and grills), drinking fountains, and pathways. 	1/4 to 1/2 mile radius.	5-10 acres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alicia Park • Arbutus Park • City Park • Colony Oaks Park • Derks Park • Einstein Park • Ellen Kort Peace Park • Green Meadows Park • Highview Park • Hoover Park • Jaycee Park • Jones Park • Kiwanis Park • Linwood Park • Lions Park • Lutz Park • Mead Park • Northside park • Peabody Park • Pioneer Park • Providence Park • Schaefer Park • Summit Park • Veterans Park • Vosters Park • Vulcan Heritage Park • Woodland Park

Community Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broader purpose than Neighborhood Park. • Focus is on meeting community-based recreation needs and/or preserving unique landscapes and open spaces. • Provides a combination of intensive and non-intensive development ranging from play apparatus to trail systems. In addition to the facilities provided at neighborhood parks, community parks may provide swimming pools, picnic areas, elaborate playfields, game courts, ice skating, shelters, or sanitary facilities and ample off-street parking. 	<p>1 to 2 mile radius. Determined by the quality and suitability of the site. Usually serves two or more neighborhoods.</p>	<p>As needed to accommodate desired uses. Usually between 20-35 acres.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appleton Memorial Park • Erb Park • Pierce Park • Telulah Park
Open Green Space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to providing recreational experiences, these types of parks provide environmental quality and act as land use buffers. • Most urban greenspace or open space parks contain natural areas such as woodlands, floodplains, wetlands, rock outcroppings and scenic views. • Common recreational developments include biking, hiking, jogging, bridle paths and cross-country ski trail systems. 	No set standard.		
Special Use Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers a broad range of parks and recreation facilities oriented toward a single-purpose use. 	Variable		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Houdini Plaza • Reid Golf Course • Union Springs Park • USA Youth Sports Complex

Outdoor Recreation Facilities Inventory

Neighborhood Parks:

Alicia Park (12.00 acres) is located in the southwest corner of Appleton at 1301 W. Cedar St. This site contains:

- Pavilion (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Area
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Parking Lot
- Grills
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails



Arbutus Park (3.44 acres) is located in the middle of Appleton at 501 W. Atlantic St. This site contains:

- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Sledding Hill
- Portable Toilets



City Park (8.00 acres) is located in the central part of Appleton at 500 East Franklin St. Recreation facilities include:

- Pavilion (24 person capacity)(ADA accessible)
- Restrooms (ADA accessible)
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails



Colony Oaks Park (7.88 acres) is located in the east central part of Appleton at 801 North Briarcliff Drive. This site contains:

- Pavilion (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Tennis Court
- Basketball Court
- Volleyball Court (sand)
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Multipurpose Athletic field
- Sports Backstop
- Ice Skating Area



Derks Park (9.07 acres) is located on the southeast corner of Appleton at 3220 East Guyette St. This park contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails



Einstein Park (6.60 acres) is located in the north central part of Appleton at 3200 North Durkee St. Recreational facilities include:

- Restrooms (ADA accessible)
- Drinking Water
- Parking Lot
- Playground Equipment
- Tennis Courts (with pickleball striping)
- Baseball/Softball Field



Green Meadows Park (5.60 acres) is located in the south most part of Appleton at 65 Pheasant Court. This park contains:

- Pavilion (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Tennis Courts (with pickleball striping)
- Baseball/Softball field
- Multipurpose Athletic Field



Highview Park (12.59 acres) is located in the northern part of Appleton at 100 West Wayfarer Lane. This park contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Tennis Court
- Pickleball Lines
- Basketball Court
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Ice Skating
- Soccer Field



Hoover Park (11.60 acres) is located in the south-central portion of Appleton on 600 East Roeland Avenue. This site contains:

- Pavilion (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms (ADA accessible)
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- (2) Softball/Baseball fields
- Soccer Fields



Jaycee Park (4.00 acres) is located in the central part of Appleton just south of the Fox River on 1200 South Jefferson Street. This park contains:

- Pavilion (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Softball Field
- Basketball Court
- Volleyball Court (sand)
- Biking/Walking Trails



Jones Park (5.75 acres) is located in the central portion of Appleton just north of the Fox River on 301 West Lawrence Street. This site contains:

- Pavilion (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Parking Lot
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Hockey
- Ice Skating



Kiwanis Park (6.50 acres) is located in the northwestern part of Appleton on 2315 North Nicholas Street. This park contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms (ADA accessible)
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Baseball/Softball Field
- Basketball Court
- Biking/Walking
- Multipurpose Athletic Field
- Soccer Field



Linwood Park (9.50 acres) is located in the western part of Appleton at 401 North Douglas Street. This site contains:

- Pavilion (48-person capacity)
- Restrooms (ADA accessible)
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grill
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Tennis Court
- Baseball/Softball field
- Basketball Court



Lions Park (4.40 acres) is located in the southeastern part of Appleton at 1920 South Matthias Street. This park contains:

- Pavilion (48-person capacity)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Water
- Grill
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Baseball/Softball Field
- GaGa Pit



Lutz Park (2.7 acres) is located in the central portion of Appleton along the Fox River next to Pierce Park at 1320 Lutz Drive. This site contains:

- Gazebo
- Restrooms (ADA accessible)
- Picnic tables
- Drinking Water
- Parking Lot
- Grill
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Boat Ramp
- Fishing
- Canoe/Kayak Launch (ADA accessible)



Mead Park (8.50 acres) is located in the south-central area of Appleton at 1430 East John Street. This park contains:

- Picnic Tables
- Parking Lot
- Grill
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Volleyball Court (sand)(pool area)
- Swimming Pool



Northside Park (7.02 acres) is located in the far northern central portion of Appleton next to North High School at 4900 Lightning Drive. This site is not currently developed.



Peabody Park (16.20 acres) is located in the central portion of Appleton just north of the Fox River at 601 North Green Bay Road. This site contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Grill
- Basketball Court
- Fishing
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails



Pioneer Park (0.52 acres) is located in the south-central part of Appleton just north of the Fox River and Ellen Kort Peace Park at 420 W. Prospect Ave. This park contains:

- Biking/Walking Trails
- Picnic Area



Providence Park (3.33 acres) is located in the northeastern part of Appleton at 10 North Providence Avenue. This park contains:

- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails



Schaefer Park (6.40 acres) is located in the east-central part of Appleton on 610 South Buchanan Street. This site contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- ADA Grilling Area
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- Grills
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Basketball Court
- Biking/Walking Trails



Summit Park (5.49 acres) is located in the northwestern part of Appleton at 2425 North Summit Street. This site contains:

- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- (2) Tennis Courts (with Pickleball Striping)
- Basketball Court
- Porta Toilets
- Multiuse Athletic Field



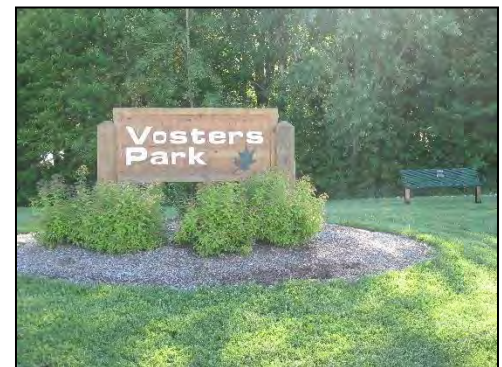
Veterans Park (2.00 acres) is located in the southwestern part of Appleton between S. Memorial Drive and the Fox River at 1201 S. Memorial Dr. This park contains only passive recreational opportunities.

- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment
- Porta Toilets



Vosters Park (5.10 acres) is located in far northeast corner of Appleton at 4200 E. Ashbury Dr. This site contains:

- Biking/Walking Trails
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Porta Toilets



Vulcan Heritage Park (2.05 acres) is located in the south-central Appleton along the Fox River at 535 W. Water St. This site contains:

- Biking/Walking Trails
- Picnic Area
- Fishing
- Parking Lot
- Grills



Woodland Park (8.70 acres) is located the southeast part of Appleton at 1815 Schaefer Circle. This site contains:

- Biking/Walking Trails
- Picnic Area
- Playground Equipment (ADA accessible)
- Baseball/Softball Field
- Gazebo
- ADA Accessible Grilling Area
- Grills



Community Parks:

Appleton Memorial Park (140.10 acres) is the largest park in the Appleton park system. It is located in the north central part of the city at 1620 E. Witzke Blvd. This park contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (48-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Picnic Tables
- (3) Playgrounds (1 universal playground)
- (7) Baseball/Softball Fields
- Miracle League Field
- Restrooms
- Grills
- Soccer/Football Field
- Archery Range
- Fishing (urban fishing pond)
- Concession Building with Restrooms
- (5) Parking Lots
- Nature/Cross Country Ski Trails
- Ice Skating
- Sledding Hill
- Scheig Center
- Amphitheater
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Picnic Areas
- GaGa Pit



Erb Park (27.75 acres) is located in the central part of Appleton at 1800 N. Morrison St. This site contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (84-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Picnic Area
- Playground (ADA accessible)
- Multipurpose Sports Field
- Basketball Court
- (4) Tennis Courts (lighted) (youth striped)
- Ice Skating (in winter)
- Sledding Hill
- Swimming Pool
- Picnic Tables
- Restrooms (ADA accessible)
- Grilling Area (ADA accessible)
- Biking/Walking Trails
- (3) Parking Lots
- Horseshoes
- GaGa Pit
- Ping Pong Table
- (3) Bean Bag Toss



Pierce Park (34.91 acres) is located on the southeast side of Appleton at 1035 W. Prospect Ave. This site contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (150-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Restrooms
- Playground (ADA accessible)
- Baseball/Softball Field
- Multipurpose Athletic Field
- (3) Tennis Courts (youth striped)
- Basketball Court
- Disc Golf (9-hole)
- Hockey
- Ice Skating (in winter)
- Gazebo
- Grilling Area (ADA accessible)
- Picnic Tables
- (2) Parking Lots
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Picnic Area



Telulah Park (39.31 acres) is located in the east-central part of Appleton at 1300 E. Newberry St. This site contains:

- Pavilion with Food Prep Area (150-person capacity) (ADA accessible)
- Pavilion/Restroom Building
- Picnic Tables
- Restrooms
- Grills
- (3) Parking Lots
- Biking/Walking Trails
- Picnic Area
- Playground (ADA accessible)
- Baseball/Softball Field
- Horseshoes
- (2) Soccer Fields
- Disc Golf (9-hole)
- Fishing
- Skateboard Area
- Canoe/Kayak Launch (ADA accessible)



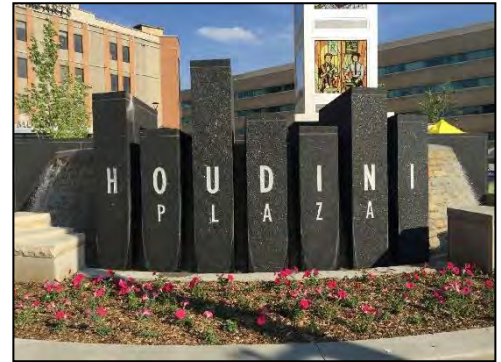
Special Use Areas:

Houdini Plaza is located at 100 W. Lawrence Street. Developed in the 1980's as an open green space in the center of downtown Appleton. Throughout the years Houdini Plaza has become the host for several events and activities such as the Appleton Farmers Market, Summer Concert Series, Octoberfest, etc.

One of the most noticeable new features of Houdini Plaza is the illuminated fountain and column, that provides stylish seat walls and paving patterns welcome visitors and residents into the site to sit, relax, or enjoy an event.

Throughout the plaza you will find illuminated benches, lawn areas, and a raised terrace with tables and chairs that is also utilized as a stage for performances.

Houdini Tower is one of the focal points of Houdini Plaza. The 12-panel design holds images that detail the history of Appleton, highlight works by local artists and photographers that tie in with events, activities, history and the rich culture of the Fox Valley.



Reid Golf Course (107.60 acres) Reid Golf Course is an award winning 18-hole municipal golf course located in the heart of Appleton at 1100 E. Fremont St. Reid Golf Course features excellent course design, full service pro shop, and relaxing clubhouse with food and beverage service, practice range, and club and cart rental. During winter months the facility is also used as a winter recreation center and is advertised in the City Guide for sledding.



Union Springs Park (0.10 acres) is located in central Appleton on 313 N. Kalata Place. This artesian well on this site was originally constructed in 1920. The Lutz Ice Co. drew water from the 500-foot well. Valley Bank acquired the 650 square foot parcel in the early 1970's. May 13, 1997 was the official dedication on Union Springs Park.



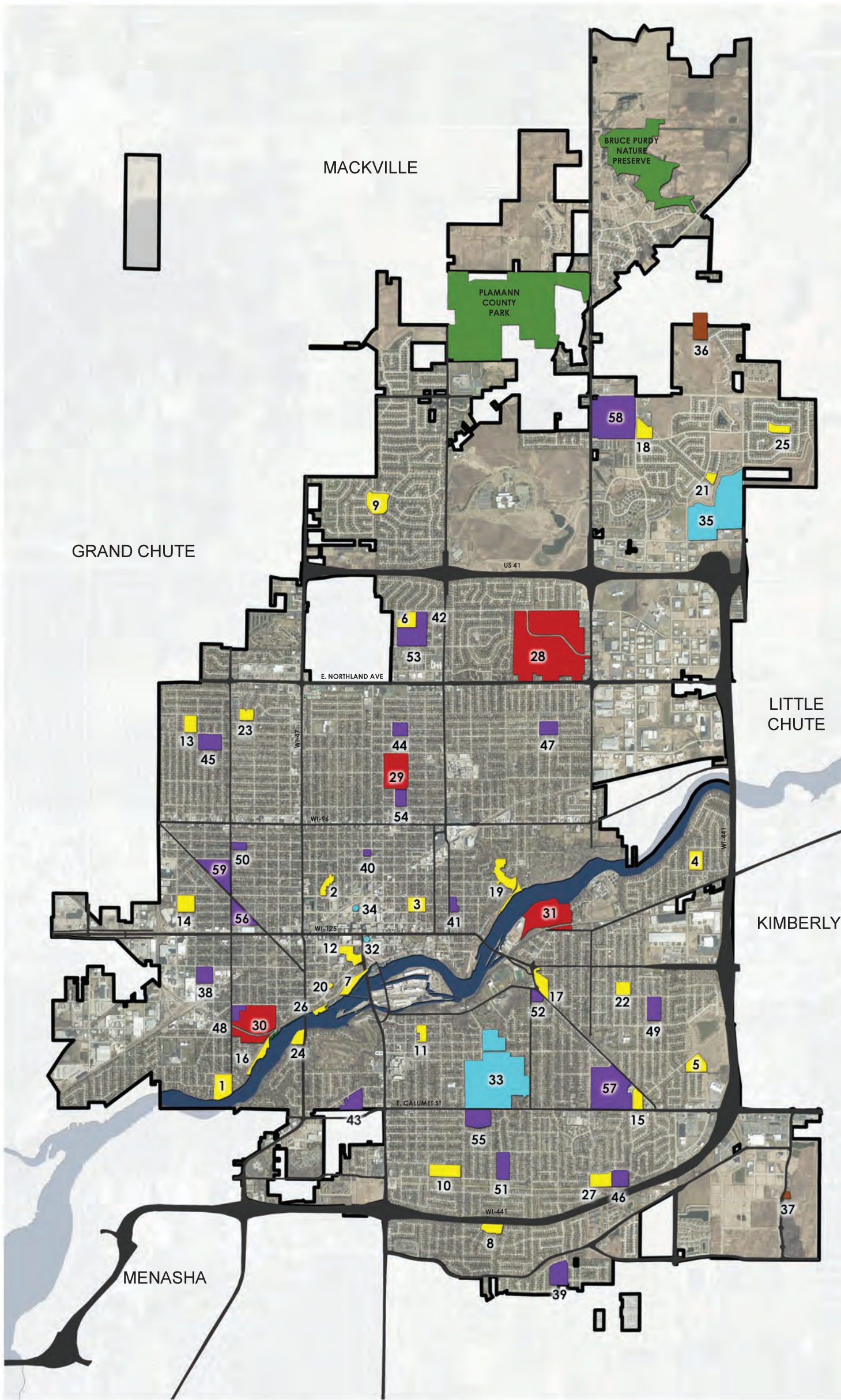
USA Youth Sports Complex (80.00 acres) is located at 3300 E. Evergreen and is managed by the United Sports Association for Youth (USA Youth), a non-profit organization run by a 12-member Board of Directors, including representatives from the Appleton Soccer Club and Appleton Little League. USA Youth leases 80 acres of parkland from the City of Appleton for the sports complex that includes 15 soccer fields, two (2) Little League diamonds and two (2) Baseball diamonds. USA Youth is responsible for the management and operations of the entire complex.

Schools and School Areas (within city limits):

- **Neinhouse Field**
- **Berry Elementary**
- **Columbus Elementary**
- **Edison Elementary**
- **Ferber Elementary**
- **Foster Elementary**
- **Franklin Elementary**
- **Highlands Elementary**
- **Horizons Elementary**
- **Huntley Elementary**
- **Jefferson Elementary**
- **Johnston Elementary**
- **Lincoln Elementary**
- **McKinley Elementary**
- **Richmond Elementary**
- **Einstein Middle School**
- **Kaleidoscope Middle School**
- **Madison Middle School**
- **East Middle School**
- **North High School**
- **West High School**

For a detailed study of trails and multiuse routes, both existing and proposed, as well as associated topics, please refer to the *City of Appleton Trails Master Plan*, adopted in 2017. Please refer to *Appendix E: Appleton Maps and Documents* to see the *Existing Network* and *Proposed Network* maps from that plan.

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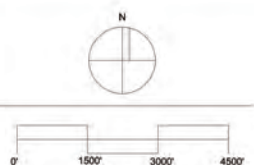


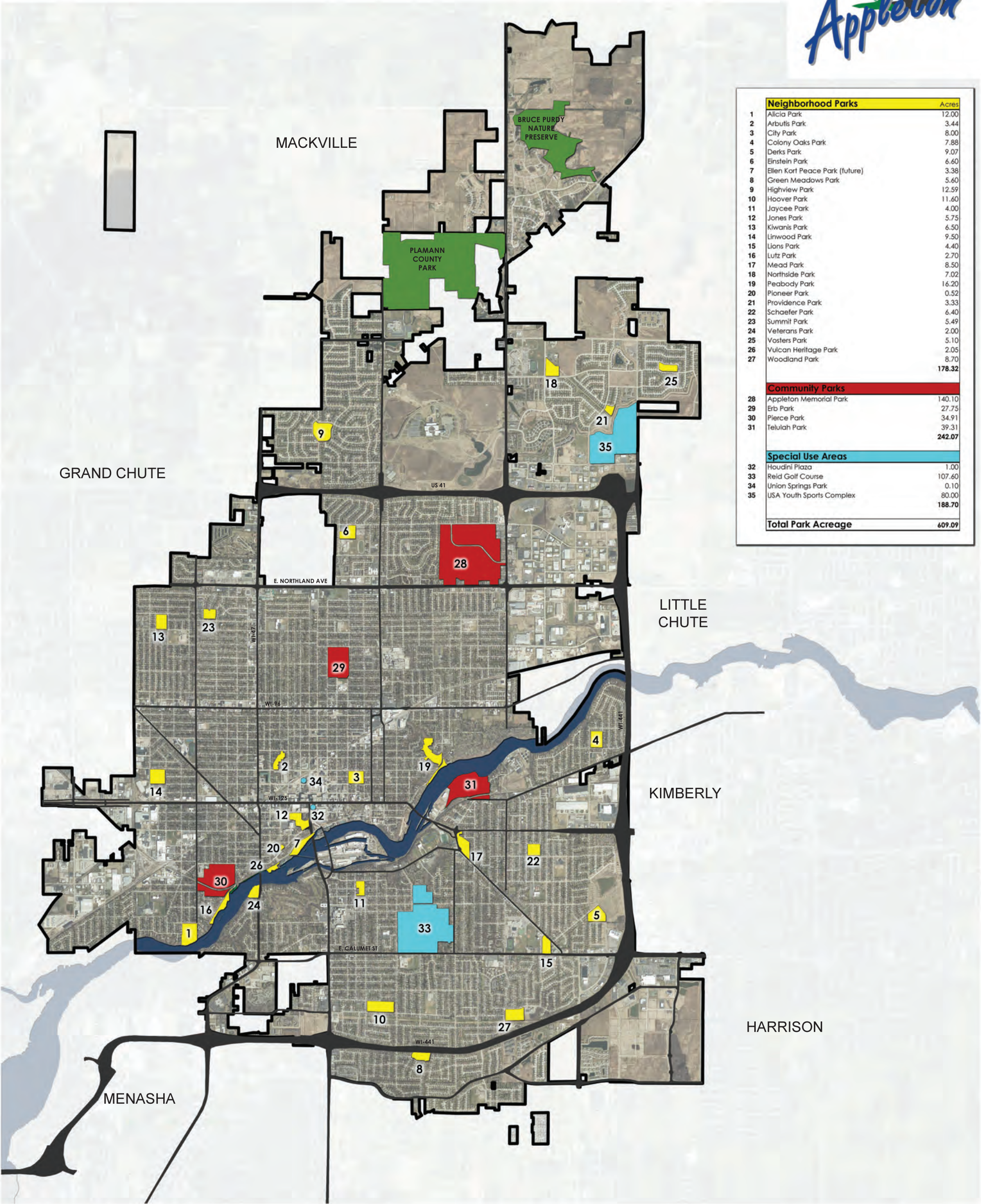
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3	City Park	8.00
4	Colony Oaks Park	7.88
5	Derks Park	9.07
6	Einstein Park	6.60
7	Ellen Kort Peace Park (future)	3.38
8	Green Meadows Park	5.60
9	Highview Park	12.59
10	Hoover Park	11.60
11	Jaycee Park	4.00
12	Jones Park	5.75
13	Kiwanis Park	6.50
14	Linwood Park	9.50
15	Lions Park	4.40
16	Lutz Park	2.70
17	Mead Park	8.50
18	Northside Park	7.02
19	Peabody Park	16.20
20	Pioneer Park	0.52
21	Providence Park	3.33
22	Schaefer Park	6.40
23	Summit Park	5.49
24	Veterans Park	2.00
25	Vosters Park	5.10
26	Vulcan Heritage Park	2.05
27	Woodland Park	8.70
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Community Parks		
28	Appleton Memorial Park	140.10
29	Erb Park	27.75
30	Pierce Park	34.91
31	Telulah Park	39.31
		242.07
Special Use Areas		
32	Houdini Plaza	1.00
33	Reid Golf Course	107.60
34	Union Springs Park	0.10
35	USA Youth Sports Complex	80.00
		188.70
Total Park Acreage		609.09
Future Park Areas		
36	Future North Park	1.30
37	Future Trailhead	0.00
School Recreation Areas		
38	Neinhaus Field	
39	Berry Elementary	
40	Columbus Elementary	
41	Edison Elementary	
42	Ferber Elementary	
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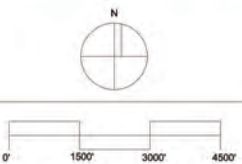
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CITY OF APPLETON CITY & NON CITY-OWNED OUTDOOR RECREATION SPACE MAP





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Current Conditions

There are 31 Neighborhood and Community park sites in Appleton as well as four Special Use parks. The parks are distributed throughout the community based on land use and development changes, although due to topography, population, and historical growth patterns, there is a somewhat higher concentration of neighborhood parks along the Fox River than the rest of the city.

Determining if community open space needs are being met can be a challenging task. The process depends heavily on input from community residents, officials, and staff. The best guides available for use in this Plan update are standards from the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA). These standards represent minimum goals and are not applicable to all locations universally, so it is also important to understand each community has unique social, cultural, economic, and geographic factors that may limit the validity or extent of the standards being applied.

Recreation Standards

Per the Guidelines for the Development of Local Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans published by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Bureau of Community Assistance, it is recommended that local communities provide at least 6.25 to 10.5 acres per 1,000 persons. The NRPA, while historically recommending 7-10 acres per 1,000 residents, also recommends that each community evaluate citizen input and adapt the recommendations to develop their own customized standards.

- Using population numbers provided by the City Clerk's office, the City of Appleton currently provides 8.15 acres of park, recreation, and open space lands per 1,000 residents.

Appleton Comparison to NRPA Recommendations

Park Type	Recommended Acres per 1,000 residents	Appleton Park Acreage per 1,000 residents
Neighborhood Parks	1 - 2 acres	2.39 acres
Community Parks	5 - 8 acres	3.24 acres
Special Use Parks	-	2.52 acres
TOTAL	6.25 – 10.5 acres	8.15 acres

Regional Green Space Comparison

Neighboring communities were researched and/or contacted for actual populations and green spaces.

Community	Population (US Census 2016 pop. Estimate, website, or city clerk)	Total Park Acreage (based on calls and/or posted city website info or CORP plans)	Acres per 1,000 Population (NRPA Standard: 7- 10 acres per 1,000)
Appleton	74,734	609.09	8.15
Allouez	13,896	196.60	14.15
Ashwaubenon	17,274	300.00	17.37
Bellevue	15,524	325.00	20.94
Combined Locks	3,577	93.36	26.10
De Pere	24,893	443.00	17.80
Grand Chute	22,154	134.94	6.09
Green Bay	105,139	1488.00	14.15
Kaukauna	15,900	459.00	28.87
Kimberly	6,739	235.10	34.89
Little Chute	11,250	86.11	7.65
Manitowoc	32,936	680.00	20.65
Neenah	25,914	367.00	14.16
New London	7,170	281.60	39.27
Oshkosh	66,579	345.71	5.19
Shawano	9,054	300.00	33.13
Stevens Point	26,423	441.70	16.72
Waupaca	5,946	234.00	39.35
Regional Average		acres per 1,000 residents	20.26

Service Area Evaluation

While demographics, the population density, and specific park uses may dictate the actual service and use of a specific park, service areas can also be roughly determined by park classification. The following service area map provides service area radii for each existing park type. Park service radii have been utilized per the NRPA standards.

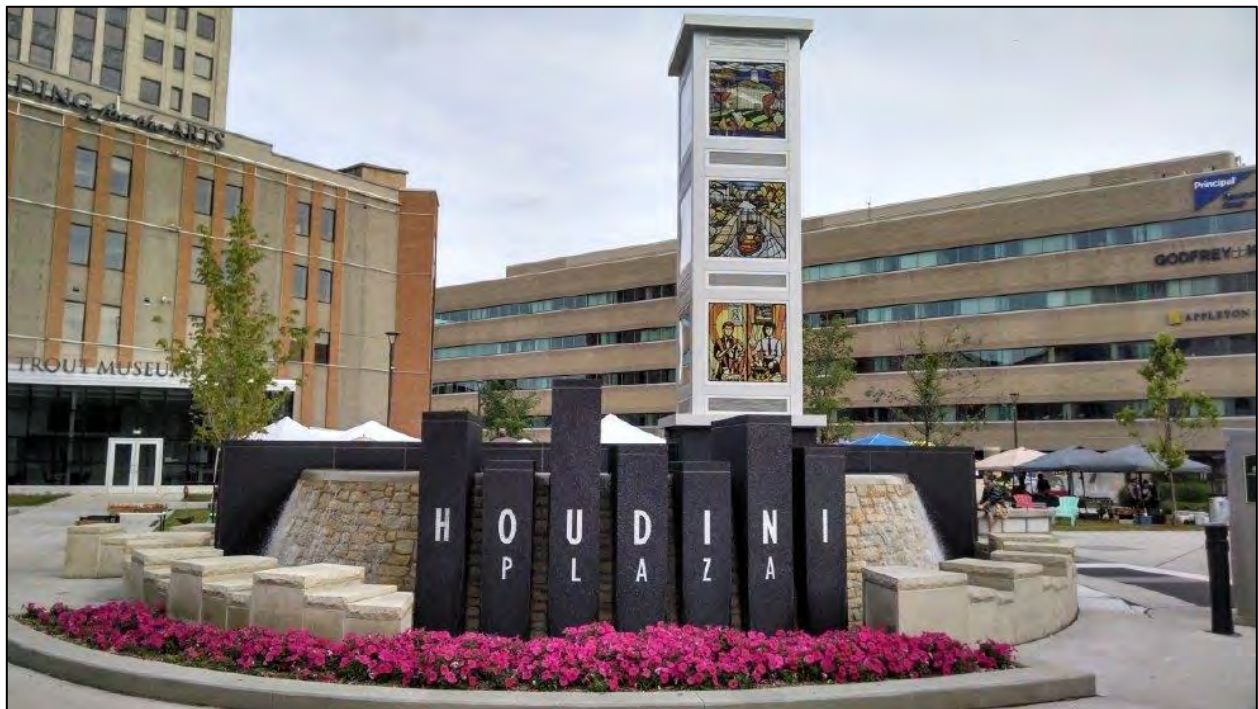
The following Park Service Map depicts the service radii of all Appleton city-owned parks. Community Parks are generally situated around the central parts of the City and most of the city has adequate Community Park coverage with the exception of the far northern and southern parts of the city. It should be noted that the county-owned regional Plamann Park contains many of the amenities typical of a Community Park and is likely filling that role in the area.

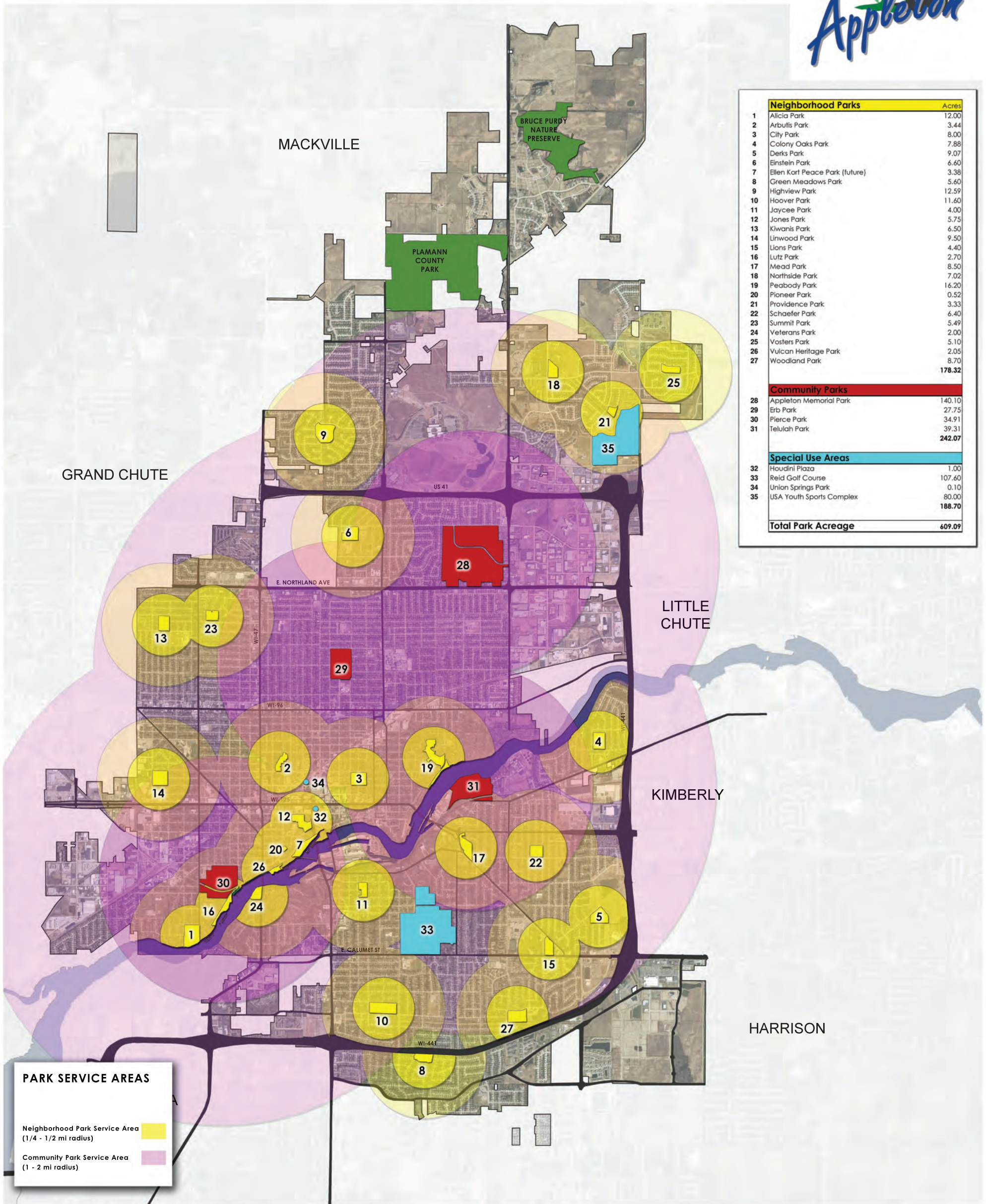
Service area coverage for neighborhood parks is not as consistent. Several parts of the community are not served by neighborhood parks within the desired $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile radius. While the lack of coverage is not a concern over parts of the community that are dedicated to business or industrial parks, there are several areas within the residential or future residential parts of the community which may be considered for neighborhood park development. Starting from the north and working down, these areas are as follows:

- The area immediately northeast of Bruce A. Purdy Nature Preserve and west of the Greiner Road and County E intersection is currently undeveloped, but zoned future one and two-family residential.
- The residential area around East Edgewood Drive between North Meade Street and WI-47/North Richmond Street.
- The area just north of East Northland Avenue and WI-47/North Richmond Street intersection.
- The residential area just below Appleton Memorial Park south of East Northland Avenue and north of East Wisconsin Avenue between North Ballard Road and North Meade Street. These bounding streets have heavy traffic that can deter residents from traveling to parks outside of the neighborhood. Opportunities to provide park facilities in the area may include collaboration with other entities such as the Appleton Area School District and registered neighborhoods in the City.
- The area around the intersection of WI-96/West Wisconsin Avenue and North Mason Street.
- The area south of East Calumet Street, north of Valley Road, and west of South Oneida Street. Portions of this area lie within Appleton and the Town of Menasha. It is planned for predominantly commercial and multi-family residential uses. As this area develops, the City of Appleton should pursue park dedication.

Opportunities to provide park facilities in the area may include collaboration with other entities.

- The area south of East Plank Road, east of Lake Park Road, and north of East Midway Road/ WI-AP is currently semi-developed but the Future Land Use Map depicts the area as zoned for one and two-family residential.





Neighborhood Parks		Acres
1	Alicia Park	12.00
2	Arbutis Park	3.44
3	City Park	8.00
4	Colony Oaks Park	7.88
5	Derks Park	9.07
6	Einstein Park	6.60
7	Ellen Karl Peace Park (future)	3.38
8	Green Meadows Park	5.60
9	Highview Park	12.59
10	Hoover Park	11.60
11	Jaycee Park	4.00
12	Jones Park	5.75
13	Kiwanis Park	6.50
14	Linwood Park	9.50
15	Lions Park	4.40
16	Lutz Park	2.70
17	Mead Park	8.50
18	Northside Park	7.02
19	Peabody Park	16.20
20	Pioneer Park	0.52
21	Providence Park	3.33
22	Schaefer Park	6.40
23	Summit Park	5.49
24	Veterans Park	2.00
25	Vosters Park	5.10
26	Vulcan Heritage Park	2.05
27	Woodland Park	8.70
		178.32
Community Parks		
28	Appleton Memorial Park	140.10
29	Erb Park	27.75
30	Pierce Park	34.91
31	Telulah Park	39.31
		242.07
Special Use Areas		
32	Houdini Plaza	1.00
33	Reid Golf Course	107.60
34	Union Springs Park	0.10
35	USA Youth Sports Complex	80.00
		188.70
Total Park Acreage		609.09

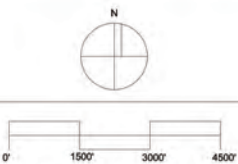
PARK SERVICE AREAS

Neighborhood Park Service Area
(1/4 - 1/2 mi radius)

Community Park Service Area
(1 - 2 mi radius)

CITY OF APPLETON

PARK SERVICE AREA MAP



Future Park Lands

As documented earlier, the City of Appleton's population is increasing, and as the community grows, parklands should be acquired to complement this growth. A review of the city's existing and future Land Use plans and the Park Service Area map presents evidence that new parklands will be required to meet the needs of the additional population. To assist in determining what type of parks may be warranted, NRPA guidelines should be reviewed and considered. It should be noted again however, that while these guidelines offer some direction for future needs, user group requirements, city needs, population density, and other factors usually determine the actual park type and specific facilities developed.

Population Projection and Parkland Projection Analysis

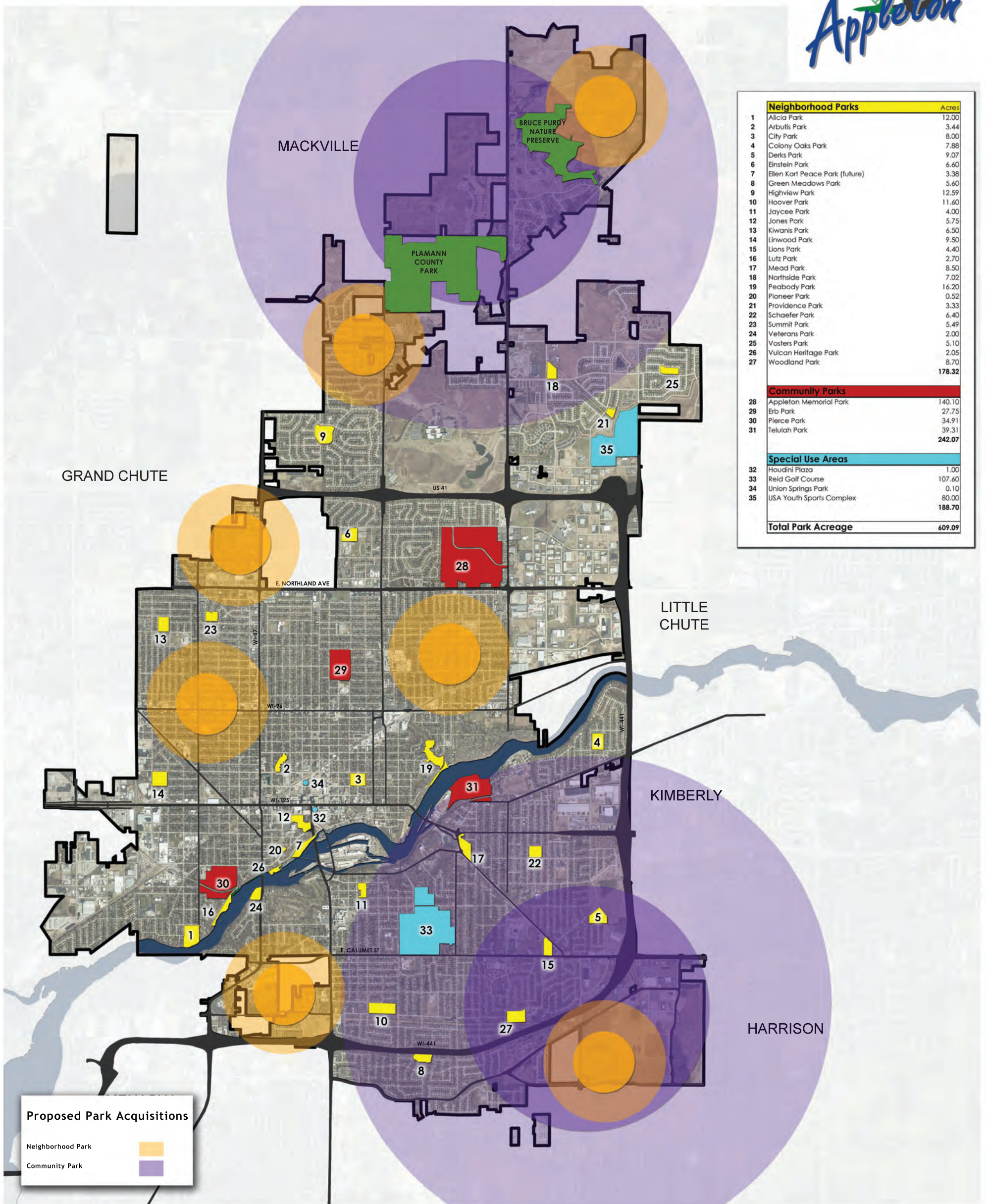
Neighborhood Parks											
Year	Population Projection	÷	1,000	=	NRPA Standard Benchmark/1,000	=	Acreage Recommended	-	Existing Acreage	=	Acreage Over
2010	72,623	÷	1,000	=	72.62 x 1.5	=	108.93	-	178.32	=	69.39
2020	76,370	÷	1,000	=	76.37 x 1.5	=	114.56	-	178.32	=	63.77
2030	80,570	÷	1,000	=	80.57 x 1.5	=	120.86	-	178.32	=	57.47
2040	80,605	÷	1,000	=	80.61 X 1.5	=	120.91	-	178.32	=	57.41

Community Parks											
Year	Population Projection	÷	1,000	=	NRPA Standard Benchmark/1,000	=	Acreage Recommended	-	Existing Acreage	=	Acreage Under
2010	72,623	÷	1,000	=	72.62 x 6.5	=	472.05	-	242.07	=	229.98
2020	76,370	÷	1,000	=	76.37 x 6.5	=	496.41	-	242.07	=	254.34
2030	80,570	÷	1,000	=	80.57 x 6.5	=	523.71	-	242.07	=	281.64
2040	80,605	÷	1,000	=	80.61 x 6.5	=	523.93	-	242.07	=	281.86

As the table and the previous pages show, the City of Appleton exceeds adopted standards for the provision of Neighborhood Parks, but comes in under the recommended Community Park acreage by an average of 230-280 acres over the next twenty years. This deficit is lessened to an extent by the presence of Plamann Park, which is not owned or programmed by the City. Located near the City's north side, the 257-acre park is owned and maintained by Outagamie County and features many of the amenities expected within a community park, such as ball diamonds, pavilions, a swimming beach, trails, frisbee golf, sledding hills, etc. Additional green spaces include the privately-owned Bruce Purdy Nature Preserve.

Parks categories such as Special Use have no recommended areas and are not included in the Neighborhood or Community park equations, however they do figure in the overall recommended park acreage equations, putting Appleton securely in the middle of the recommended park acreage range.





Proposed Park Types

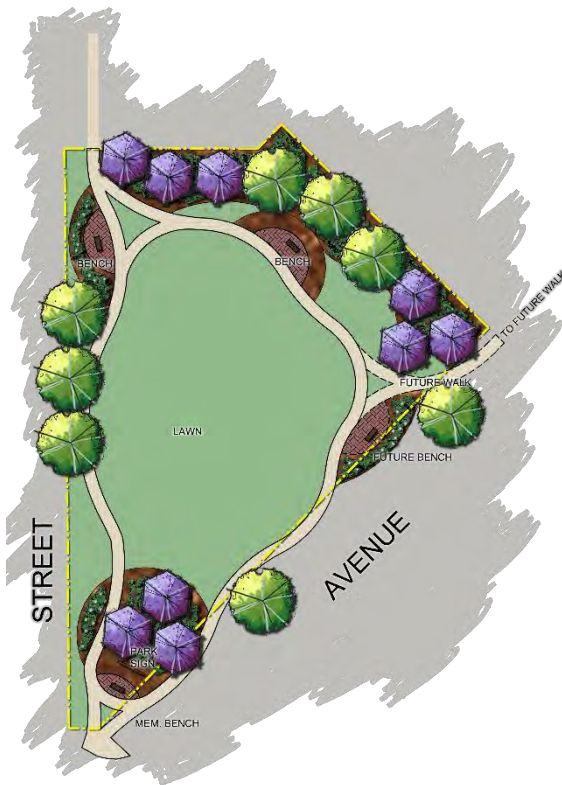
Exact acreage and location of undetermined proposed facilities should be on a specific case by case basis. However, as lands become available and residential and/or commercial growth continues to move into these areas, park and open space should be secured by the City.

Planning future facilities is very important because of satisfying projected community needs, parcel acquisition costs, and park development costs. Developing a Park Master Plan should include a comprehensive approach and the City should use the assistance of a Landscape Architect for park planning. The Master Plan process will include a review of the existing conditions for a specific project site and the evaluation and identification of proposed needs. Plan layout options and accurate cost estimating will provide the City a tool for future development.

Park Examples

The following park classification types are proposed for future development. These conceptual site plans are to be utilized for planning purposes. Site specific design and site plans will be required for each park project.

Mini-Parks



- Used to address limited or isolated recreational needs.
- Is the smallest park classification.
- Provides unique recreational opportunities.

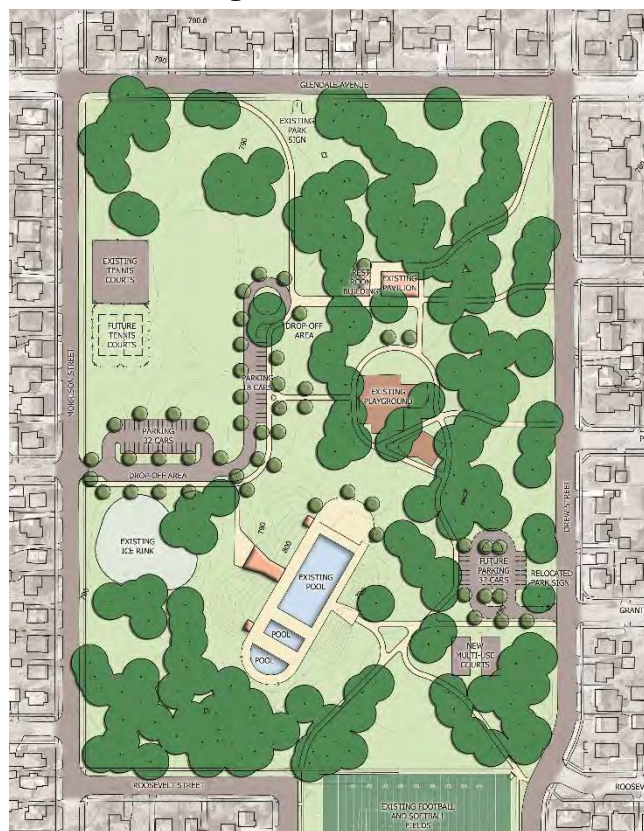
Location:

Demographics and population play a role in location, but the Mini-Park often services a specific recreational need or takes advantage of unique opportunities. In a residential setting, the service area is usually 1/4 mile or less in radius. Accessibility is by way of interconnecting trails, sidewalks, or low volume residential streets.

Size:

Usually between 2,500 sq. ft. and 2 acres

Neighborhood Parks



Remains the basic unit of the park system, which serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood.

Location:

Service area is between 1/4 and 1/2 mile in distance and should not be interrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers.

Size:

Usually 2 - 10 acres.

Community Parks



**Sample Plan
Not to Scale**

Community parks should provide multiple neighborhoods pedestrian and vehicular access, and can contain active/passive recreation opportunities and areas for larger activities.

- Broader service than Neighborhood Park. Focus is on meeting the community-based recreation needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.

Location:

Usually serves two or more neighborhoods at about a 1-mile distance.

Size:

As needed to accommodate desired uses. Usually between 10 and 50 acres.

Needs Assessment

“The typical (American) park and recreation agency offers one park for every 2,114 residents served, with 10.1 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents. But park and recreation agencies are as diverse as the communities that they serve, and what works well for one agency may not be best for your agency.” (NRPA Park Metrics)

Needs Assessments play an integral role in identifying a community’s recreational needs and opportunities as well as providing insight on how existing recreation facilities and services are being utilized and/or which facilities or programs should be expanded or discontinued.

A needs assessment can be prepared using two basic methods: public input or recreation standards. This plan has been developed using both approaches.

The Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan incorporates a wide array of input, including User Group and Public input via online surveys, comments, and public meetings. An email address for comments throughout the process was presented at both meetings. Parks and Recreation Department heads and staff also provided important hands-on information regarding existing and proposed recreational needs.

Community Input Survey

The Appleton Parks and Recreation Department conducted an online community survey October 5 through October 31, 2018. The survey contained 20 questions regarding preferred information sources, park usage, satisfaction with parks & amenities, facility rental experiences, athletic field usage, interest and usage of various facility types, future park needs, user fees, park distance and travel times, park maintenance priorities, demographics, and a space for general comments.

Efforts to promote the online survey included newspaper articles, social media posts, survey links and advertising on the Appleton Parks and Recreation website. A total of 380 completed surveys along with 139 general comments were received. The following is a summary of the information shared. Please see the appendix for a complete list of questions and responses.

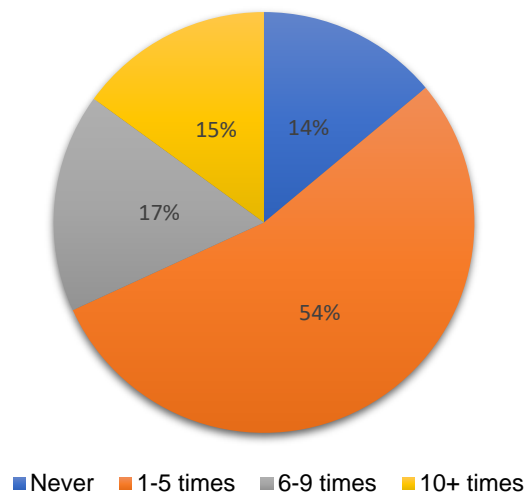
Information

By far the most popular sources of information were the City Guide and the Parks and Recreation website. Of all the people taking the survey, 61% indicated that they used the City Guide and 59% accessed the Parks and Recreation website. (Respondents were allowed to choose more than one option, so the percentages do not total 100.) Other significant but less popular information sources included Social Media (49%) and Word of Mouth (39%).

More than half of those surveyed (54%) indicated that they have accessed the parks area of the city website 1-5 times over the last twelve months while 14% said they have

not visited it at all. 85% of respondents indicated that there isn't any park-related information they would like to see on the website that isn't already there, however, of the 15% who would like to see more, top choices are: pickleball information, park rules and policies, more and updated park pictures, park and trail maps, schedules of events, and restroom information, in that order.

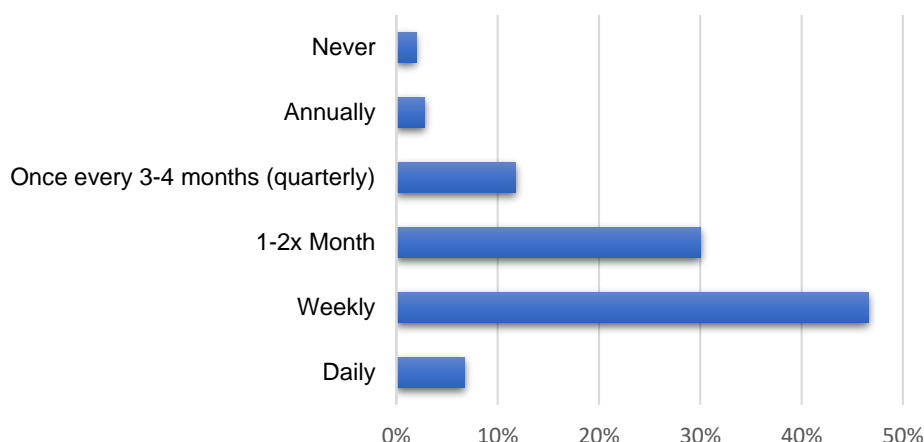
Park & Rec Website Usage (times visited over the past 12 months)



Usage

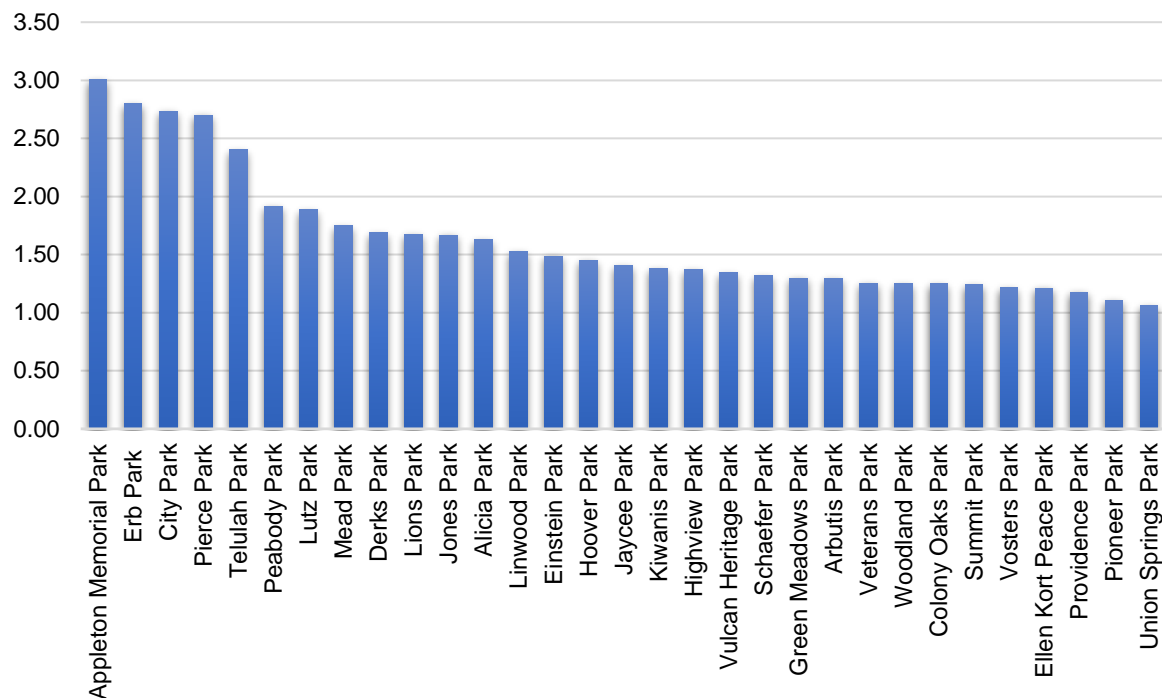
Almost half of the surveyed individuals use Appleton park facilities weekly, another third access them at least once or twice a month, and about 7% visit daily.

Appleton Park Facility Usage



When questioned about specific parks visited, and whether they visited them “Never,” “Rarely,” “Occasionally,” or “Often,” Appleton Memorial Park was the clear favorite based on weighted averages. Erb, City, and Pierce parks followed closely.

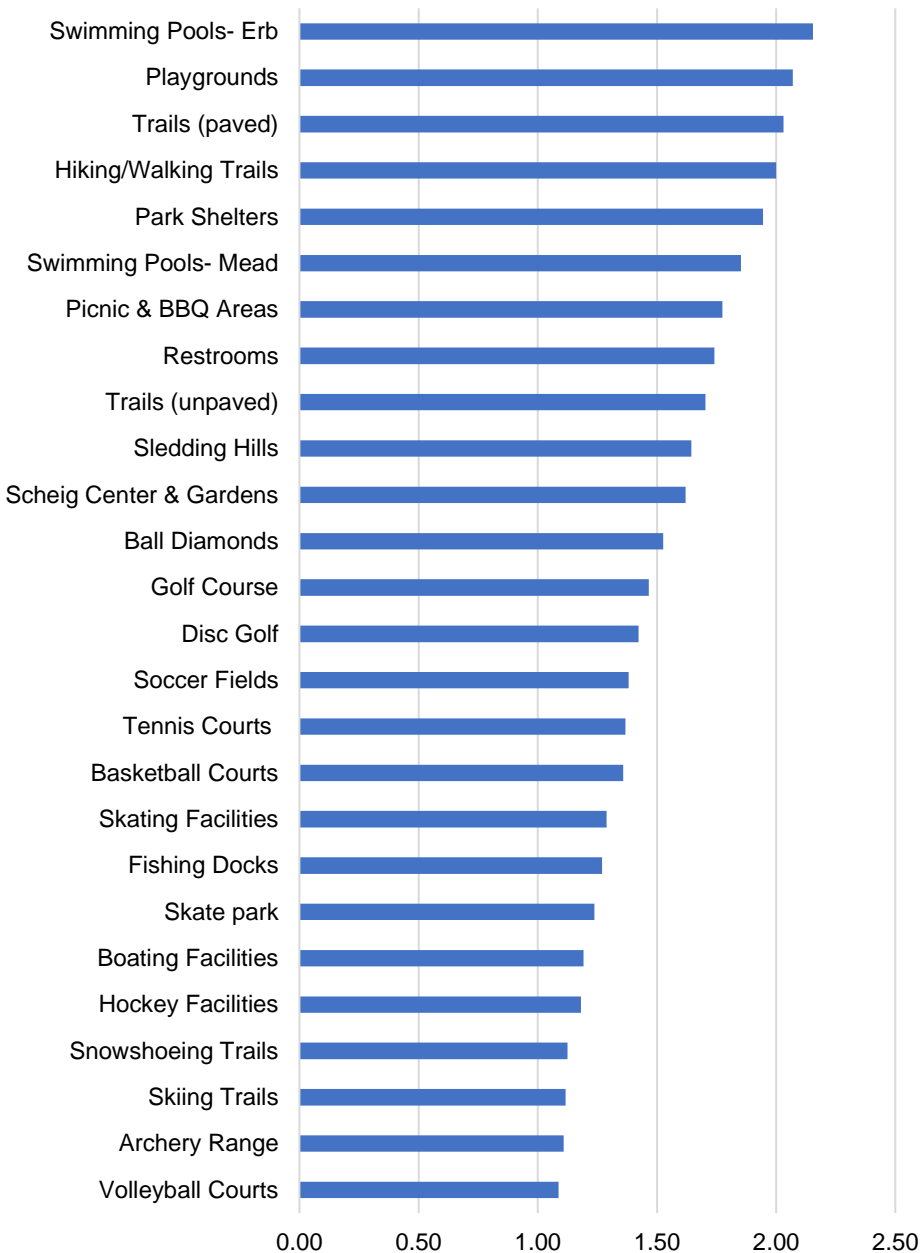
Parks Visited in the Past 12 Months (by weighted average)



Park satisfaction levels are generally high with 68% “satisfied,” and 31% “very satisfied.” While only 1% were actually “dissatisfied,” the most common requests were to update various parks and amenities, such as playgrounds.

Next, respondents were asked to rank a list of facilities as “Great,” “Satisfactory,” “Needs Improvement,” or “Never Used.” The top ten favorite facilities, by weighted average are as follows: Swimming Pool (Erb), Playgrounds, Trails (paved), Hiking/Walking Trails, Park Shelters, Swimming Pool (Mead), Picnic & BBQ areas, Restrooms, Trails (unpaved), and Sledding Hills.

Selected Facilities Rated

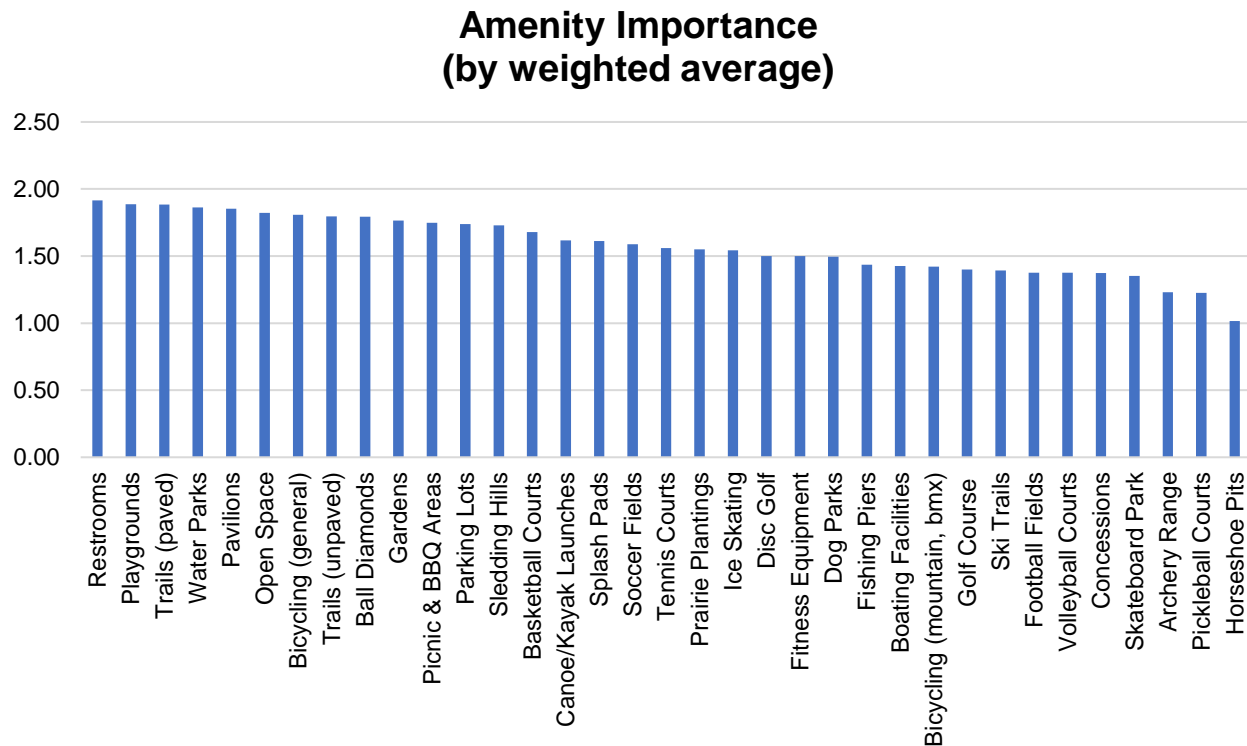


When questioned as to whether Appleton possesses enough athletic fields for youth in one question and for adults in the next, the answers were generally similar. 78% of those surveyed indicated “yes”, Appleton does have enough fields, a little less than a quarter indicated “no.” The most requested item in the comments was soccer fields, followed by pickleball courts.

Nearly 90% of those surveyed have not rented an Appleton Park facility or amenity such as a field or pavilion in the past twelve months. Of those who did, well over half (68%) of

rentals were for a family event and almost a quarter (19%) were for a work function. Sports games or practices accounted for only 8% and weddings for only 6% of rentals. Most of those who rented categorized their experience as “average” or “above average.”

Perhaps the most interesting and revealing survey question asked respondents how important they felt each of a following list of amenities was. Answer choices ranged from “Important (need more),” and “Important (have enough),” to “Indifferent,” and “Not Important.” By overall weighted average, the Top 10 rated most important amenities are: Restrooms, Playgrounds, Trails (paved), Water Parks, Pavilions, Open Space, Bicycling (general), Trails (unpaved), Ball Diamonds, and Gardens.



However, not every amenity at the top of the list needs to be increased in numbers. Some important amenities rated more important, merely need to be maintained. Inversely, amenities that are rated a little farther down often have strong and dedicated fan bases that may need more facilities to meet their needs.

A closer look at the ratios in the numbers reveals that there is a strong and clear interest in more Trails (paved and unpaved), Splash Pads, and a Dog Park. There is also interest in more Restrooms, Gardens, Prairie Plantings, Fitness Equipment, and Pickleball Courts.

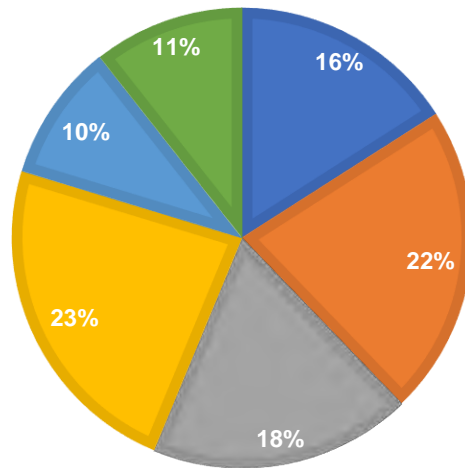
Most Appleton residents (67%) live less than a half-mile from a park, another 17% live ½-1 mile from a park, and the remaining 16% live a mile or more from a park.

Top maintenance priorities were: Facilities (i.e. shelters, restrooms, pavilions), Amenities (i.e. tables, play equipment), Aesthetics (i.e. landscaping), and Trash Pickup and Removal, in that order.

The topic of financial support was divided about evenly.

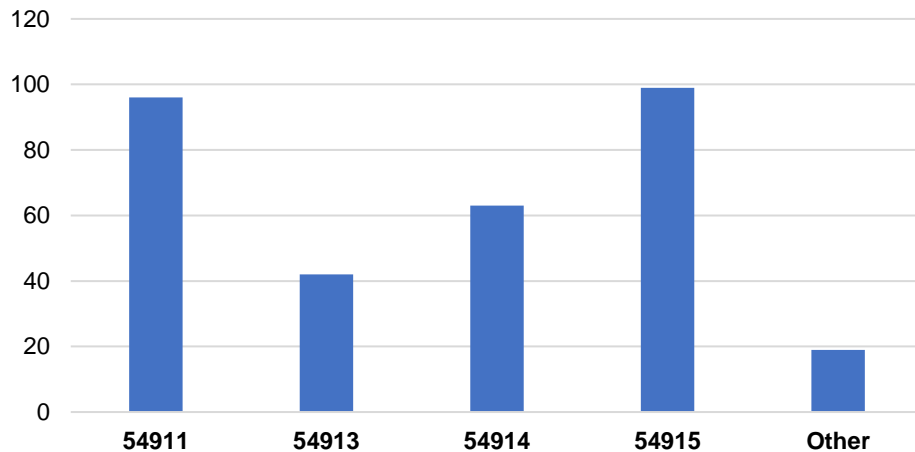
FINANCIAL SUPPORT
(HOW MUCH WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO PAY (IN USER FEES OR PROPERTY TAXES) TO SUPPORT PARK FACILITIES/PROGRAMS?)

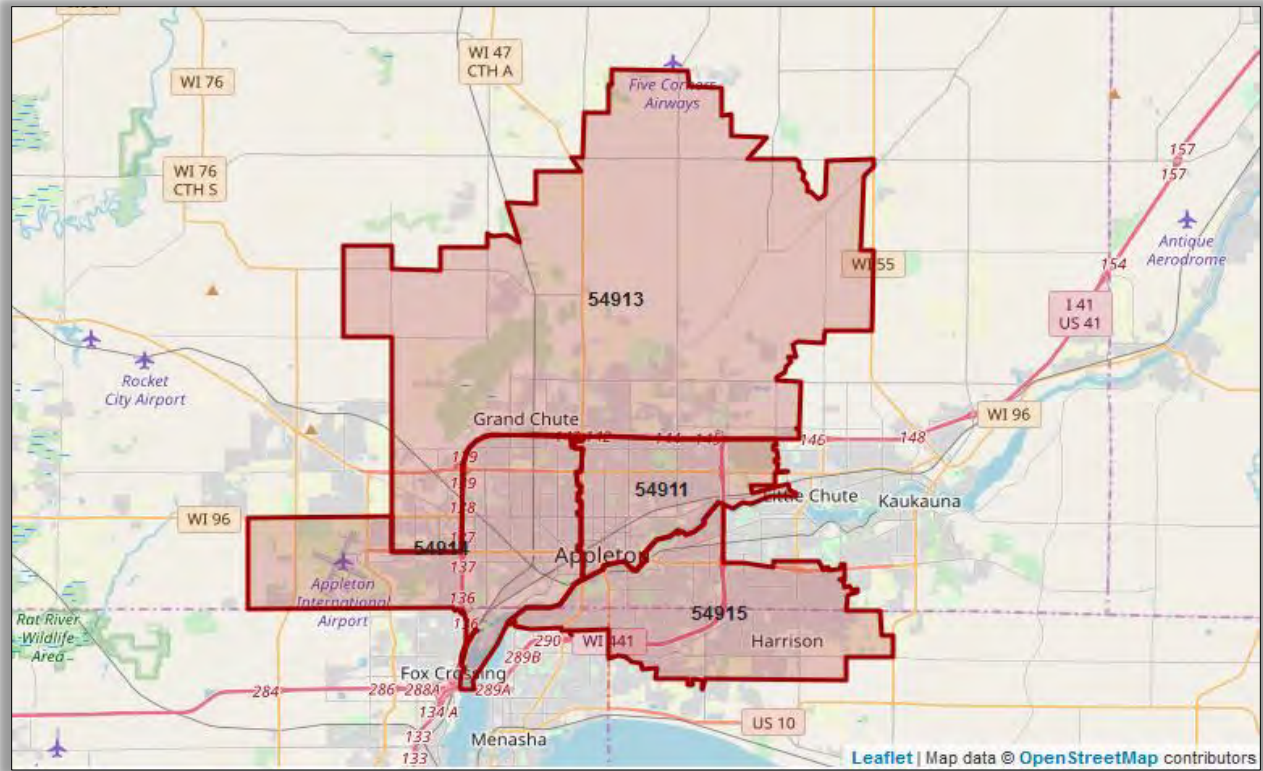
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The following zip code data reveals what parts of the city most of the data is coming from.

RESPONDENT ZIP CODE





Demographics

Most of those taking the survey were 35-44 years old.

139 general comments were also received. Popular topics were: requests for more trails, praise and thanks to the Park and Recreation department and staff, requests for more restrooms and longer hours/season, requests for dedicated Pickleball courts, requests for more splash pads, requests for more and updated playgrounds, safety/security concerns, requests for a dog park, natural play area, more maintenance, more soccer fields, and for more accessible walks.

User Group Surveys

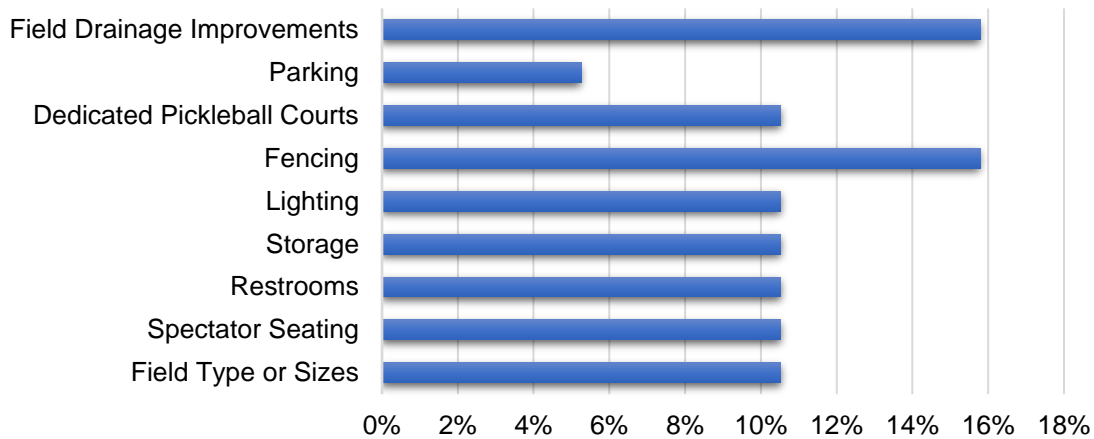
The Appleton Parks and Recreation Department conducted an online User Group survey concurrently with the Community survey between the dates of October 5 and October 31, 2018. Like the Community Input survey, the User Group survey attempts to identify which park facilities are used, ignored, or overused and which need improvements and maintenance. The survey contained 16 questions regarding group or organization names, representatives, and contact information, park and facility usage (number of events and participants per season), current satisfaction, shortages, and most desired improvements, rental experiences, fees and funding, and a space for general comments.

Efforts to promote the online survey included social media posts, emails to user groups, survey links, advertising on the Appleton City website, direct email to contacts, and newspaper articles.

A total of twenty-two responses were received. Of those responses, only seven identified a user group or organization being represented. The following is a summary of the information collected from responses that listed an organization. Please see the Appendix for a complete list of questions and responses.

- 22 surveys were received; 7 included an organization represented.
- Sports represented in the responses include: Lacrosse, Pickleball, Soccer, Baseball, Frisbee, and Football.
- The number of events varied from 20-60 for the smaller groups up to 500-2,000+ for major tournaments and league games at USA Youth Sports Complex.
- Appleton parks and facilities used included: Green Meadows Park, Linwood Park, USA Youth Sports Complex, the Hoover Park Baseball Field, Erb Park, and City Park.
- Most of these sports and events attract people from outside the Appleton area.
- Of those who shared their current level of satisfaction with the parks they use, about 60% indicated they were “satisfied” or “very satisfied,” while 40% thought the facilities “need improvement.”
- Two User Groups indicated that they rented facilities. Both rated the rental experience as “above average.”
- Main shortages and issues fall into the following categories:

Shortages/Issues by Category



- The most immediate improvements requested consist of: updated dugouts with roofs on all city baseball fields, dedicated pickleball courts, two dedicated lacrosse fields, and improvements to USA Youth (plaza upgrades, field lighting, and synthetic turf).
- About 30% of the User Groups are willing to contribute toward capital improvements of athletic facilities, about 40% are not sure at this time. Funding ideas and suggestions included holding additional tournaments, looking for grants, partnerships with large companies, and conducting fundraisers.

Note: Please see the Appendix for the specific online survey responses and the user group survey.

Public Input Meetings

The Parks Department hosted a User Group meeting followed by a Public Input meeting on October 23, 2018 to obtain public comments for the future needs of the park system.

Additional Feedback

Meetings were conducted internally with the Park Maintenance Staff in the Spring of 2018. Three additional meetings were held with Rettler Corporation and Appleton Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management in November and December 2018 and April 2019 to get their perspective and hands-on knowledge of park use and needs.

All of the above tools were used to compile a complete record of public feedback that was used to identify citizen concerns and capital improvements.

Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) Data

While not directly derived from the City of Appleton community, this data is useful for an overall State of Wisconsin perspective.

Overall, Wisconsin residents' top five nature-based outdoor activities were as follows:

- Walking/Hiking
- Fishing
- Hunting
- Bicycling
- Camping

Items rated as “most needed” in their community were:

- Hiking, walking, or running trails
- Bicycling trails
- Public shore access to lakes, rivers, and streams
- Public campsites
- Public shooting ranges

Identified gaps and needs in existing recreation opportunities were listed as:

- Outdoor recreation facilities near population centers
- Trails
- Water access- shoreline and boat launches
- Camping opportunities
- Dog parks and exercise areas
- Target shooting ranges

Overall across the State of Wisconsin, the following activities are seeing increasing demand:

- Adventure Racing
- Driving for pleasure
- RV camping
- Kayaking
- Dog Parks
- Soccer
- BMX biking
- Climbing
- Stand up paddling/paddle boarding
- Triathlons
- Off-highway vehicle driving
- Gardening or landscaping for pleasure (grow local)

Previous SCORPs divided the state of Wisconsin into eight regions based on similarities in their recreation attributes, visitation patterns, natural resources, and general features. Recreation needs specific to the “Lake Winnebago Waters Region” which Outagamie county is a part of were:

- Bicycling –bicycling touring/road riding and mountain biking/off-road biking
- Bird or wildlife watching
- Camping –developed and primitive

- Canoeing or kayaking
- Cross country skiing
- Dog walking
- Fishing
- Hiking, walking, jogging, backpacking
- Hunting –big game
- Motor boating (including waterski/tubing, personal watercraft)
- Nature photography
- Participating in nature-based education programs
- Picnicking
- Swimming in lakes and rivers
- Visiting a beach, beach walking



Recreation Standards

Recreation standards are another method to determine a community's recreation needs. The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) has developed standards for both public open space and actual facilities.

Suggested Outdoor Recreation Facility Development standards are provided in the appendix section of this manual. These standards were reviewed during the development of the need assessment. The standards are based on a park service area approach. A concern with this method is that it does not take into account user preferences and physical barriers between actual park locations. Therefore, these standards should be used to review specific identified needs along with public input to assist in prioritizing and justifying real needs for the community.



General Recommendations

The fundamental purpose of this Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan is to guide the City in the development of lands and facilities- both existing and future- and to satisfy the outdoor recreation and open space needs of the residents and visitors of Appleton. The recommendations listed below are based on information gathered from the outdoor recreation Needs Assessment, public input from informal meetings, citizen committees, public meetings and discussions with Parks and Recreation staff.

General Recommendations

The following are general recommendations aimed at satisfying needs for acquisition, development, and general program improvements.

Accessibility Guidelines and Provision for Persons with Disabilities: The term “accessible” describes a site, building, facility, or portion thereof that complies with the *Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines* (ADAAG) as interpreted by the Department of Commerce in the Wisconsin Administrative Code and Register for Barrier-Free Design.

The City should continue to upgrade existing facilities and parklands in accordance with the Accessibility Audit performed by ACT. Newly designed, constructed, and/or altered recreation facilities in Appleton need to comply with the applicable requirements under the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design.

Acquisition and Development of Park Land: The city has been shown to generally have adequate lands to meet the immediate needs of the



community. Based upon the current and future needs of the community, there will be a need to acquire and develop lands for community parks with the recommended amount of acreage within the appropriate service perimeters in the far northern and southern areas of the city. The city should continue to explore future acquisition and development of recreational opportunities in the aforementioned parts of the city as they are developed or redeveloped.

Community Beautification and Urban Forestry: The appearance of the community is an important component in the provision of programs and services. A clean, safe environment builds an image that positively affects the confidence of residents and renews a sense of pride in their community.

Beautification projects, such as planting trees, shrubbery, and flowers, along with other general landscaping for parks and other public areas should be encouraged. Reestablishment of trees along boulevards and right-of-ways that have succumbed to age and disease should be included with the projects. The city should also evaluate the current use of annuals versus perennials in shrub/flower beds due to the amount of maintenance required.

Community Gardens: The City should further explore the feasibility of providing community garden space or urban farming options for residents of the community. These options could be on public properties or private properties as a partnership, and provide locations for individuals to grow fruits and vegetables.

Dogs in Parks: Dogs are prohibited in parks “unless the dog is on a sidewalk, trail or road and is restrained by a chain, rope or other type of leash no more than eight (8) feet in length and an individual competent to govern and physically control and restrain the dog is in physical control of the leash at all times. The dog shall display tags verifying it is currently licensed and vaccinated against rabies. Any waste left by the dog shall be immediately removed for sanitary disposal by the individual in control of the animal.” Municipal Code Section 13-5(n).

Based public input, it is recommended that the City explore the opportunity of developing an off-leash Dog Park.

Federal and State Aid Programs: The City should continue to take advantage of state and federal financial and technical assistance programs designed to assist the community in meeting recreation needs. To maintain eligibility for such programs, the City’s Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan must be updated every five (5) years.

Funding Considerations: An essential ingredient in the implementation of any recommendation is determining how the project will be financed. There are a number of methods that can be considered, such as general revenues (taxes), user fees, general obligation bonds, special taxes, state and federal funding programs, grants, donations and sponsorships. Each method should be carefully analyzed to determine the best method for making a project a reality, while considering the best interest of the community and the tax payer.

As the community requests additional and updated facilities, greater emphasis will need to be placed on the appropriation of funds for their redevelopment and long-term maintenance. Various alternatives for funding will need to be explored if the city intends to meet the existing level of service and projected demand for recreation utilizing a multi-year capital improvement plan.

Impact Fees: Many communities collect “impact fees” at the time the building permit is issued for a new home. These impact fees can fund a variety of things including sewer and water construction, firefighting equipment, library facilities and park development. Regardless of what particular facility or service, the fee must be reasonably related to or somehow serve the new neighborhood. When a municipality collects these fees, they go into a separate account to fund capital development of parks (or improvements to existing parks) to serve the new residents.

The estimated cost to develop a 10-acre park into a typical neighborhood park with standard facilities is \$2,680,000. The estimated cost to develop a typically furnished 50-acre Community Park is estimated to be around \$5,525,000. The City of Appleton may choose to fund all or part of the total park development cost through an impact fee.

Note: The estimated costs are based on bids and costs for 2017 and 2018. The costs are not specified to a site; actual costs to develop a neighborhood park may be higher or lower, depending on specific amenities chosen as well as site and economic conditions.

Invasive Species: The City should develop an invasive species management plan containing strategies and other methods of documenting and controlling invasive species, such as buckthorn, phragmites, emerald ash borer, etc. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has developed resources and policies for identifying invasive species and describing the various types of control mechanisms and procedures for preventing the spread of species.

Municipal/School District Cooperation: The City should promote the continued and increased cooperation between the municipality and school district in meeting the needs of the community. With good planning, cooperation may take the form of joint land acquisition and facility development cost sharing. The increased use of existing facilities by both city and school district during the hours not scheduled by the respective agency should be strongly encouraged. It may be desirable to establish a joint, written agreement with the school district to identify responsibilities and regulations to promote the appropriate use of school district and city facilities.

Park Land Dedication/Naming Rights: Many communities, including the City of Appleton, have developer exactions for parkland acquisition and recreational facilities development. These exactions are designed to help a growing community develop new park facilities to keep pace with new residential development. As residents move into a new subdivision, they place additional stress on existing park facilities. Developer exactions, agreed upon during the subdivision review and approval period, provide land or fees or a combination of both to the City to be used for the provision of park facilities for the new neighborhood.

The City of Appleton ordinance provides the flexibility to accept land or fees on a case-by-case basis. Municipal Code Sec. 17-29 Dedication of Public Sites and Open Spaces.

(b) Dedication of sites

- (1) Within the corporate limits of the City, the subdivider shall provide and dedicate to the public either a minimum of five (5) acres of land to provide for park and recreation needs of the community as required by the adopted comprehensive plan or as determined by the Plan Commission in conjunction with the subdivider and in an amount of land to be determined in accordance with the zoning classification intended for each lot in the subdivision as specified in the following table:

Types of Dwelling Units and Zones	Percent Allocation of Total Gross Residential Acreage
R-1A zone, one-family	5
R-1B and R-1C zone, one-family	6
R-2 zone, two-family	8
R-3 zone, apartment	12
PD (Planned Development Overlay – Residential)	12

- (2) Where such dedication is not feasible or is not compatible with the comprehensive plan, the subdivider shall in lieu thereof pay to the City a fee according to the zoning classification intended for each lot in the subdivision as specified in the following table:

Types of Dwelling Units and Zones	In Lieu of Payment (per unit)
R-1A zone, one-family	\$300.00
R-1B zone, one-family	\$300.00
R-1C zone, one-family	\$300.00
R-2 zone, two-family	\$200.00
R-3 zone, apartment	\$150.00
PD (Planned Development Overlay – Residential)	\$150.00

(c) Proportionate payment in lieu of dedication

Where such dedication is not feasible or compatible with the comprehensive plan, the subdivider shall, in lieu thereof, pay to the City a fee equivalent to the value of the required dedication. Such fee should be distributed and paid as follows:

- (1) No payment shall be required for a lot created by the subdivision of land under this ordinance on which a residential structure already exists, or

which is a residential parcel in excess of one hundred twenty (120) acres and not intended for immediate sale or other conveyance.

- (2) The required payment shall be made before the certification of approval may be affixed to the Final Plat.

Suggestions for Improving the Parkland Dedication Ordinance

An issue often discussed regarding these ordinances is what type of land is acceptable for park dedication. An improved ordinance would include the following land specifications:

- All land must be free from detention or retention facilities and be above the 100-year flood level.
- Land should be contiguous and in a configuration to serve the development with the proposed recreational components.
- Parkland shall have a minimum of 25% of the total perimeter directly fronting on a public roadway.
- Minimum secondary access shall be a minimum of 60 feet wide.

Other suggestions for the ordinance include more specifications about the condition of the land at the time of dedication, such as:

- All parkland shall be fully improved at time of dedication, including roads, sidewalks, utilities, street trees, and final grading and seeding.
- The grading and topography of the site shall meet the city's approval. No slope shall exceed 4:1 and the site will be graded to provide positive drainage with no ponding of water.
- Park dedication site shall not be used as borrow pits for clay or any other building material and shall be stable enough to support the proposed park improvements.

Park System Planning: The City should encourage park and recreation facilities to be planned on a neighborhood, community and city-wide basis, as integral parts of a unified system. The purpose of the classification system is to identify the park's primary function, which should influence the development and management of the park. A master plan and/or management plan should be established for each park to provide direction for the progressive and orderly planning, management, maintenance, operation, and programming of the park and recreation facilities.

Pedestrian/Bicycle Circulation and Access to Recreation: Bicycle usage of street and pedestrian walkways is becoming a major issue because of the growing number of users and the fact that bicycles share the streets with automobiles. The City recently updated the *City of Appleton Trails Master Plan (2017)* (see *Appendix E: Appleton Plans and Documents to view the Existing and Proposed Network maps from that plan*). Other older plans include the *City of Appleton On-Street Bike Lane Plan (2010)* and the *Fox Cities Transportation Management Area & Oshkosh Metropolitan Planning Organization Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan (2014)*.

These existing plans should be referenced and implemented as approved.

Playground Improvements: Most of the playground sites located throughout the City have been updated with new equipment that meets the recommended safety standards; however, some of those are nearing their intended life expectancy. The City has implemented a replacement plan for all of its playgrounds as they reach the age of 20 years (the typical benchmark for the industry).

There remains the need to expand existing equipment to enhance play opportunities and offer a more stimulating, creative play environment. Shade structures should be planned for equipment areas to provide relief from various weather conditions. In addition, all playgrounds should be inclusive and accessible to those with disabilities including surfacing and access routes. It is important that the city continues to stay current with changing safety standards.

Preservation/Conservation: In addition to providing space and facilities for leisure activities, park systems should include conservation and preservation measures. The preservation of natural resources and the prudent management of the environment are goals that every community should strive to achieve. Policies discouraging the development of wetlands, floodplains, areas of steep slopes and other environmentally sensitive areas should be established or where already enacted, should be strictly enforced.

Program Consideration: One of the fundamental objectives of the Park and Recreation Department is to provide a variety of recreational programs and activities for the community. The intent of providing recreational programs is to encourage public use and enjoyment of community facilities and to enhance leisure time through the development of individual skills and interaction of community residents. In order to accomplish this, a number of programming considerations should be addressed:

- In an effort to communicate programming opportunities, the city should continue to utilize multiple options including the city website, social media, print media, and community publications.
- A number of programming considerations should be addressed. The city should continue to offer leisure programs that are highly sought and phase out those that are not. The city should also look to provide additional programming for middle aged and older adults as well as all members of the family. They should explore more programming during typical non-working hours, including evenings and weekends. Maximizing the use of all city facilities should also be a priority.
- A greater emphasis should be placed on the provision of outdoor recreational activities (kayaking/canoeing, jogging, hiking, walking, camping skills, fishing, etc.) and on the development of areas and facilities needed to support these activities. In planning and designing recreation areas, the recreational needs of all members of the community should be taken into account.
- The City should continue to conduct periodic analysis surveys and evaluations of the community's recreational preferences, needs and trends to ensure that

programs offered are of the type and quality that residents desire and that the necessary space and facilities are acquired and developed.

Public-Private Partnerships: Public-private partnerships provide the opportunity to combine assets from both public and private sectors to offer greater amenities and increased programming to the community. As park popularity and citizen demand grows, the number of public-private partnerships across the country is increasing. When considering a public-private partnership, it is important to review assets and liabilities such as partners' financial resources, organizational capacity, public image, and constituency factors.

In addition to the city park system, Appleton has partnerships and/or arrangements with Lawrence University for use of the tennis courts, Appleton Area School District for use of the playgrounds, courts, and fields, and an Appleton/Neenah/Menasha reciprocity covering park pavilions, amenities, and recreation areas.

Additionally, the City should encourage the development of specialized facilities by the private sector as specialized facilities can be an important adjunct to the public recreational facilities. Quality and availability for public use should be emphasized.

The City should look to evaluate and pursue beneficial public-private partnerships as opportunities arise. Opportunities may be enhanced through public/private partnerships that could allow for the preservation of and access to resources that have not been previously available to residents and visitors.

Service Group/Volunteer Involvement: The City should continue to involve organized service groups in needed park and recreational developments, including development of competitive sports areas and neighborhood parks. Traditionally, service groups have played an active part in the development of competitive sports areas, neighborhood parks, trails, and playgrounds. Continued activity of this type should be encouraged. In addition, service groups help to meet the need for neighborhood facilities by supplementing municipal financial resources and providing organization and volunteer labor.

Staffing Considerations: The increased demand for recreational opportunities and maintenance operations is beginning to strain staffing capabilities within the department. As this demand increases, consideration will need to be given to the addition of staff for the Parks Department in maintenance and programs. Operational efficiencies, new equipment, and technologies should also be explored as ways to continue to provide the expected level of service to the community. Contracting of some services or projects are methods to explore in assisting current staff levels.

The City should continue to support the professional development of its employees by encouraging participation in clinics, seminars, workshops, conferences and memberships in professional associations that promote the concepts, practices and techniques of professional parks, recreation, and urban forestry management.

Waterfront Access and Recreation: One of Appleton's greatest natural resource assets is the Fox River that bisects the community. The city should explore greater recreational usages to provide residents and visitors the ability for outdoor recreational experiences including paddle sports, boating, sailing, and fishing to name a few.

The city should also continue to improve existing access points and boat/canoe launches as well as investigate additional access points along the waterways. Additionally, the City should seek out public/private partnerships for public and recreational spaces along the Fox River during re-development.



Specific Park Proposals

The following specific proposals have been developed based on input from the Needs Assessment as well as direction from City Staff and the Parks and Recreation Department. Parks not identified in the following list do not have immediate needs and/or recommendations at this time or have independent master plans. Refer to the approved master plans and implement improvements and developments per the plans.

The following proposals include estimated costs for each individual component. Typically, these costs include furnishing and installation as well as appropriate allowances for demolition, mobilization, and permitting. Prices are in 2017-2018 dollars and may change over time with inflation and other factors outside the scope of this document.

The following strategies are intended to provide guidance to the decision makers responsible for implementing the plan and are organized into a matrix of short-, mid- and long-term strategies based on time increments of 1-5 years, 6-10 years and 11-15+ years and beyond.

The schedule of improvements for each facility will be determined at a later date as presented and approved by the Common Council as part of the annual 5-year Capital Improvement Program.

Individual Park Recommendations and Concepts

Alicia Park

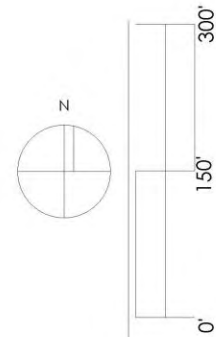
Neighborhood Park – 12.00 acres

See Map SM-1 in the References section.

- Play area improvements:
 - Replace existing play equipment and surfacing
 - Concrete perimeter walk around playground
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Access into the park
 - Waterfront access trail
 - Riverfront trail
 - ADA picnic area
- Construct stairs to riverfront
- Construct fishing pier
- Build ADA accessible pavilion/restrooms building
- Construct a scenic overlook above the Fox River to view the river, downtown Appleton, and the surrounding community
- Lighting allowance
- Riverbank stabilization allowance (design and construction)

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Alicia Park	Play Area Improvements: Equipment and Surfacing	\$125,000.00	Medium
	Play Area Improvements: Perimeter Walk	\$14,000.00	Medium
	Trails: Park Access	\$38,000.00	Short
	Trails: Waterfront Access	\$11,500.00	Long
	Trails: Riverfront Trail	\$35,000.00	Long
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Long
	Stairs to Riverfront	\$950,000.00	Medium
	Fishing Pier	\$25,000.00	Medium
	Restrooms Building Design and Construction	\$479,000.00	Long

	Scenic Overlook	\$950,000.00	Long
	Lighting Allowance	\$12,000.00	Long
	Riverbank Stabilization Allowance	\$150,000.00	Long
	Total	\$2,792,500.00	



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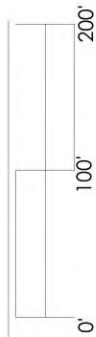
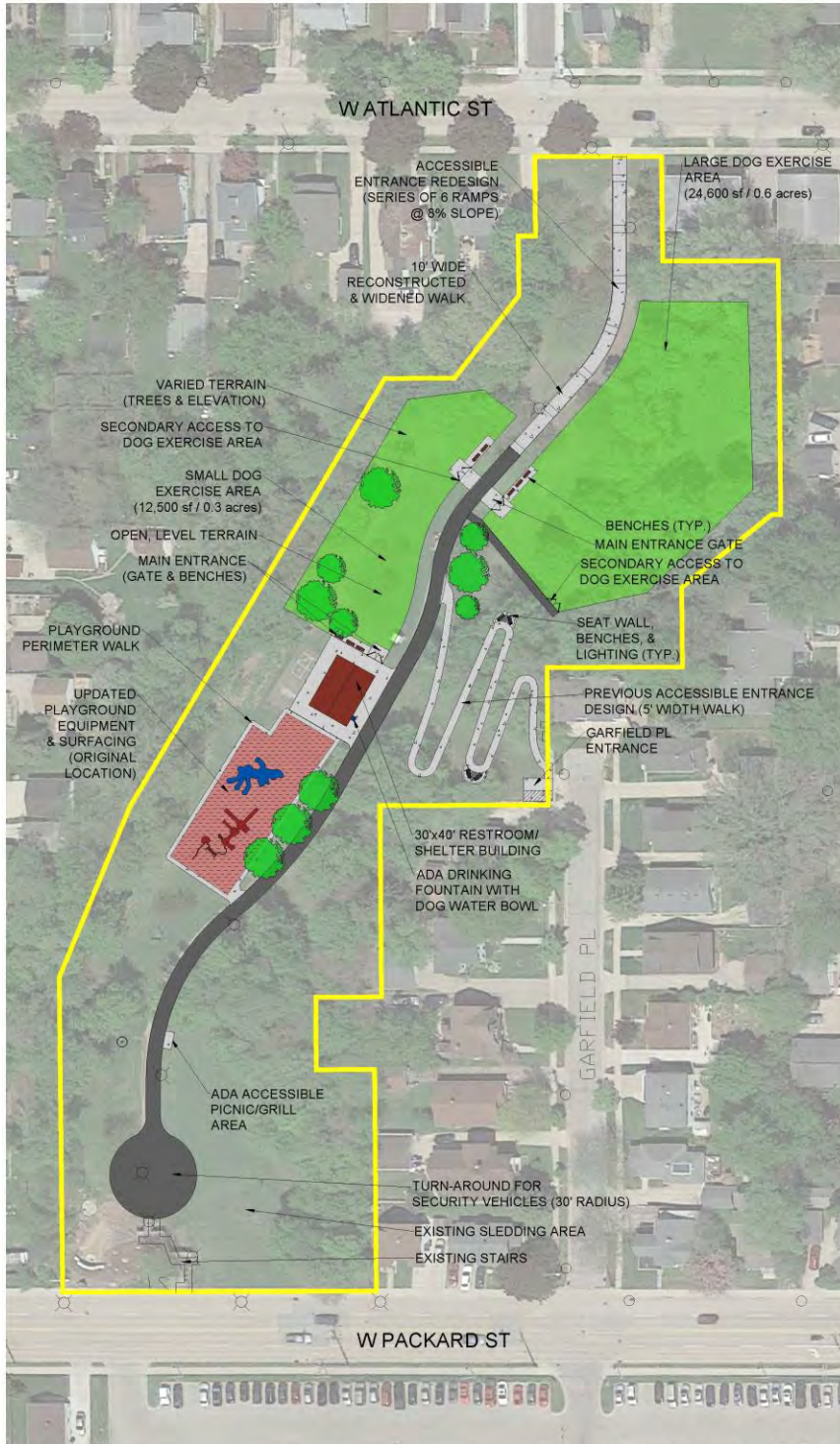
Arbutus Park

Neighborhood Park – 3.44 acres

See Map SM-2 in the References section.

- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Reconstruct the north entrance to meet ADA accessibility guidelines (ramps and railings)
 - Improve path at south end by widening and adding a turn-around for better security access
 - ADA picnic area
- Construct a dog exercise area/s (fence, gates, concrete connections)
- Construct a restroom building (and related concrete)
- Play area improvements:
 - Playground perimeter walk
 - Install new playground surfacing
- Construct mid-park entrance (ramp)

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Arbutus Park	Dog Exercise Area/s	\$141,500.00	Medium
	North Entrance Reconstruction	\$75,000.00	Medium
	South End Trail Improvements	\$40,500.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Restroom Building Design and Construction	\$461,000.00	Long
	Play Area Improvements: Perimeter Walk	\$15,000.00	Medium
	Play Area Improvements: Surfacing	\$143,700.00	Long
	Play Area Improvements: Playground Equipment	\$95,000.00	Long
	Mid-Park Entrance	\$155,000.00	Long
	Total	\$1,129,700.00	



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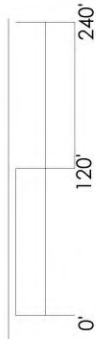
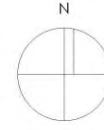
City Park

Neighborhood Park – 8.00 acres

See Map SM-3 in the References section.

- Install fitness circuit equipment
- Add drainage improvements
- Walkway improvement allowance
- Fountain pit improvements
- Construct ADA picnic area

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
City Park	Fitness Circuit Equipment	\$55,000.00	Medium
	Drainage Improvements	\$150,000.00	Medium
	Walkway Improvement Allowance	\$40,000.00	Medium
	Fountain Pit Improvements	\$35,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$283,000.00	



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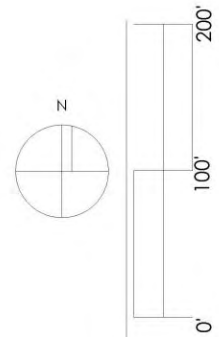
Colony Oaks Park

Neighborhood Park – 7.88 acres

See Map SM-4 in the References section.

- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Continue the walk to northeast side of the park
 - Construct connecting walks between major site features
 - ADA picnic area
- Multipurpose field improvements:
 - Increase field size
 - Install drainage and improvements
- Play area improvements:
 - Concrete perimeter walk around playground
- Lighting allowance
- Relocate the basketball court next to tennis court
- Relocate volleyball
- Landscaping allowance

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Colony Oaks Park	Walk (to north)	\$16,000.00	Long
	Connecting Walks	\$18,500.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Multipurpose Field Improvements	\$62,500.00	Medium
	Play Area Improvements: Perimeter Walk	\$15,000.00	Medium
	Lighting Allowance	\$12,000.00	Medium
	Basketball Court	\$58,000.00	Medium
	Volleyball	\$20,000.00	Long
	Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000.00	Medium
	Total	213,000.00	



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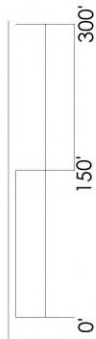
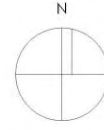
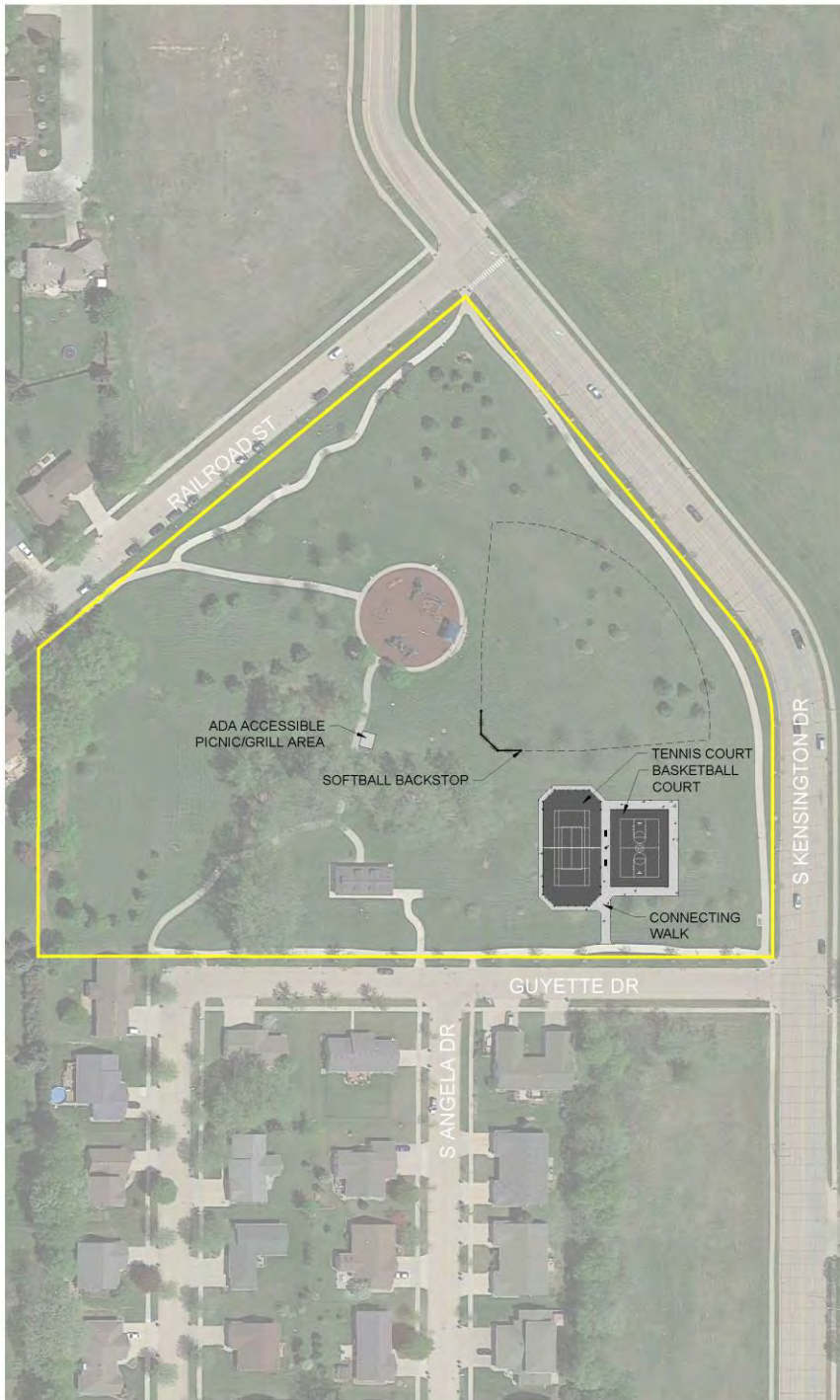
Derks Park

Neighborhood Park – 9.07 acres

See Map SM- 5 in the References section.

- Install new softball backstop
- Construct tennis and basketball courts
- ADA picnic area
- Install connecting walk to tennis/basketball courts
- Lighting Improvements

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Derks Park	Backstop	\$30,000.00	Medium
	Tennis/Basketball Courts	\$250,000.00	Long
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Connecting Walk	\$5,500.00	Medium
	Lighting Improvements	\$250,000.00	Short
	Total	\$538,500.00	



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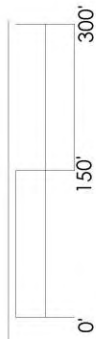
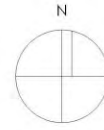
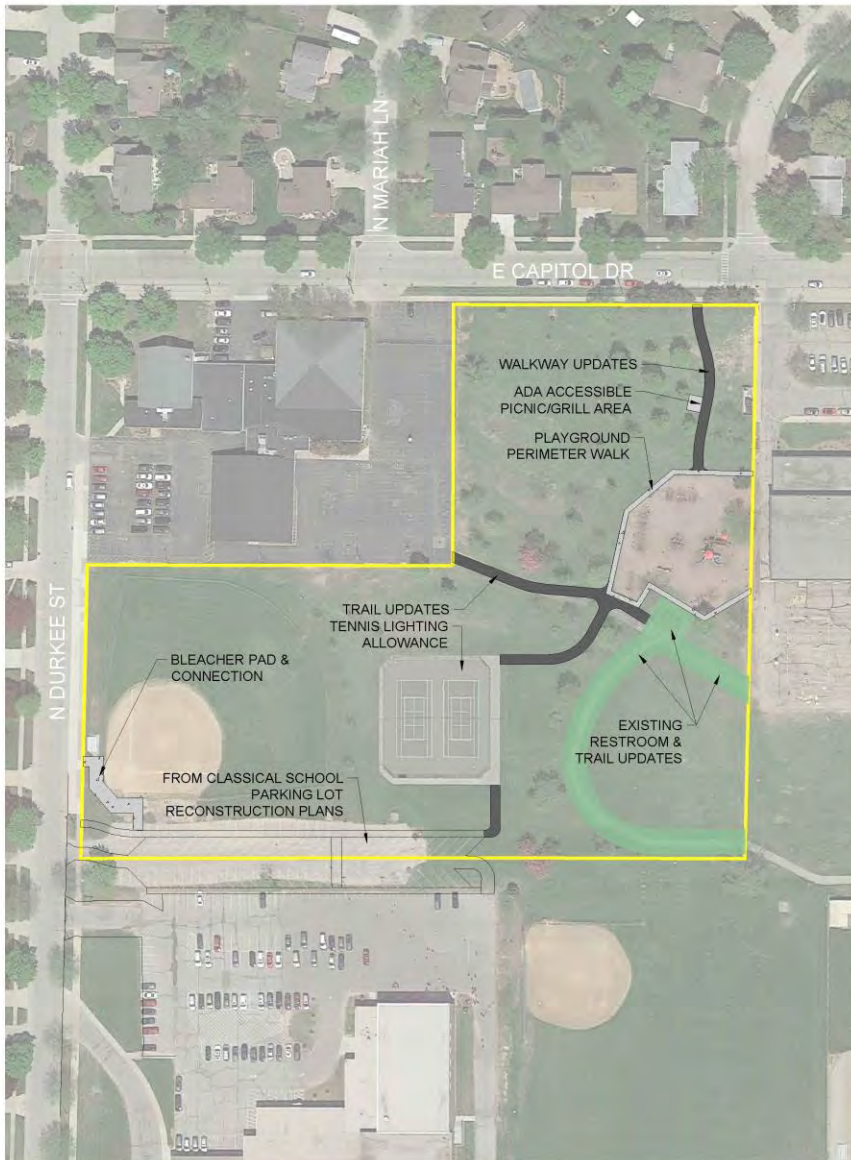
Einstein Park

Neighborhood Park – 6.60 acres

See Map SM-6 in the References section.

- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Changes and additions to improve accessibility to all amenities
 - ADA picnic area
- Restroom building demolition
- Ball diamond improvements:
 - Bleacher pad
- Play area improvements:
 - Concrete perimeter walk around playground
- Lighting allowance for tennis and pathway lighting

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Einstein Park	Restroom Removal	\$35,000.00	Long
	Walkway Updates	\$29,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Bleacher Pad	\$18,500.00	Medium
	Play Area Improvements	\$24,000.00	Medium
	Lighting Allowance	\$99,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$208,500.00	



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Ellen Kort Peace Park

Neighborhood Park – 3.38 acres

See Map SM-7 in the References section.

Neighborhood Park – 7.9 acres

- Park development Phase 1 and Phase 2

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Ellen Kort Peace Park	Park Development Phase 1	\$875,000.00	Short
	Park Development Phase 2	\$1,000,000.00	Short
	Total	\$1,875,000.00	

**Note: please refer to the Ellen Kort Peace Park Master Plan in Appendix D: Existing Master Plans.*

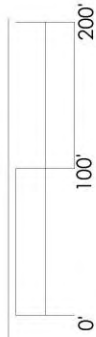
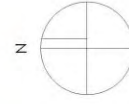
Green Meadows Park

Neighborhood Park – 5.60 acres

See Map SM-8 in the References section.

- Play area improvements:
 - Replace play equipment (5-12-year old only)
 - Concrete perimeter walk around playground
 - ADA picnic area
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Connectivity with surrounding walks and roads
- Backstop improvements
- Lighting allowance

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Green Meadows Park	Play Area Improvements: Equipment (5-12 yo)	\$90,000.00	Short
	Play Area Improvements: Perimeter Walk	\$34,500.00	Medium
	Trail/Walk Improvements	\$51,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Backstop Improvements	\$30,000.00	Medium
	Lighting Allowance	\$15,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$223,500.00	



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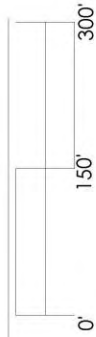
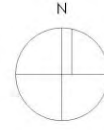
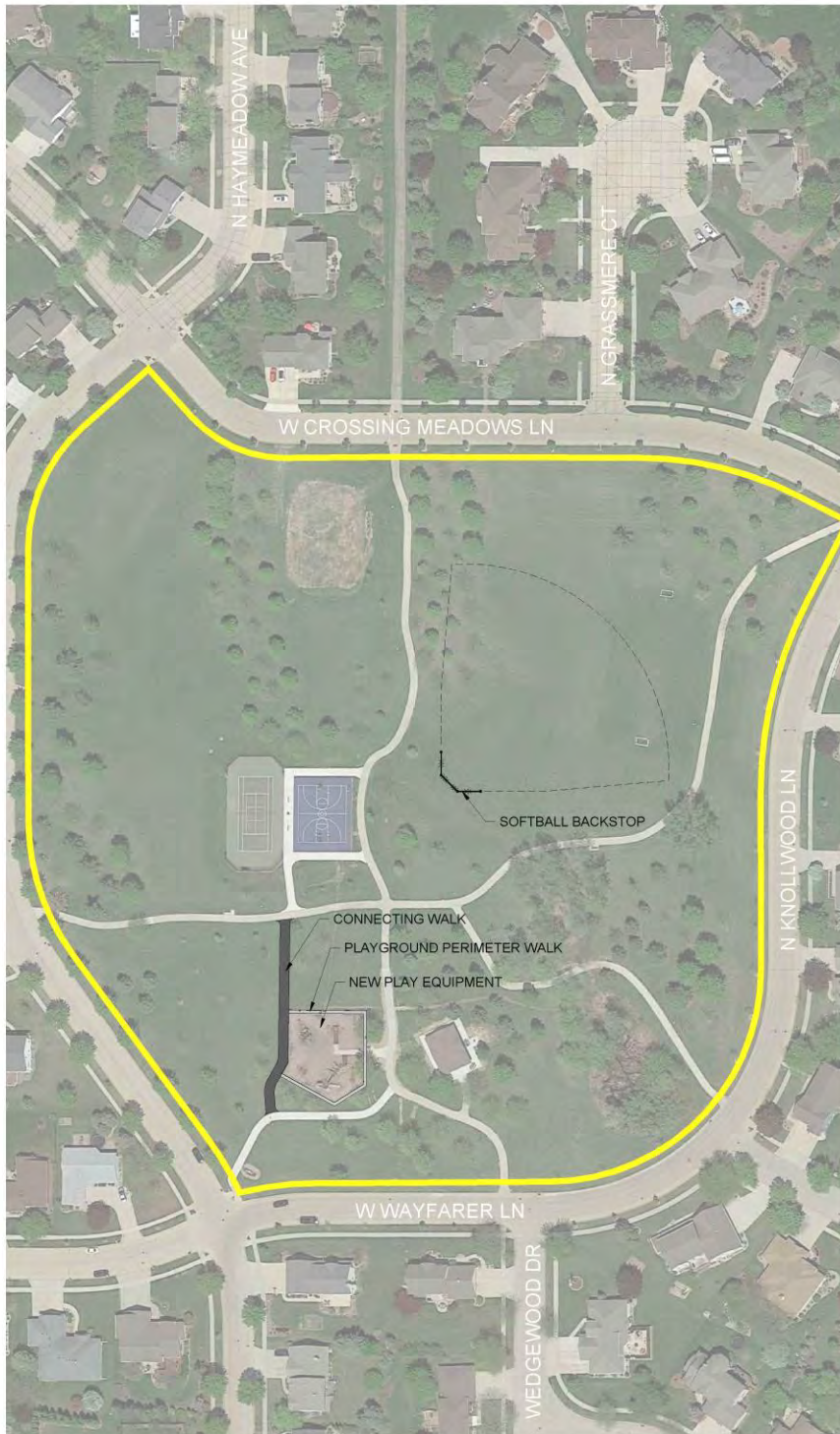
Highview Park

Neighborhood Park – 12.59 acres

See Map SM-9 in the References section.

- Play area improvements:
 - Replace play equipment (5-12-year-old)
 - Concrete perimeter walk
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Trail connection improvements
- Install a backstop east of the basketball courts

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Highview Park	Play Area Improvements: Equipment (5-12 yo)	\$90,000.00	Short
	Play Area Improvements: Perimeter Walk	\$10,000.00	Medium
	Trail Improvements	\$10,300.00	Medium
	Backstop	\$30,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$140,300.00	



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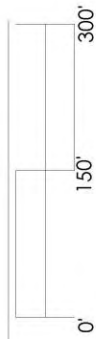
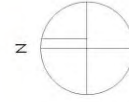
Hoover Park

Neighborhood Park – 11.60 acres

See Map SM-10 in the References section.

- New tennis and basketball courts
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Improve connections to site components
- Softball field improvements:
 - Concrete dugouts (on larger field)
 - Bleacher pad (on larger field)
- Soccer field improvements:
 - Irrigation
 - Underdrain
- Design and construct a new pavilion:
 - Pavilion plaza

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Hoover Park	Tennis and Basketball Courts	\$250,000.00	Short
	Trail Improvements	\$45,000.00	Medium
	Softball Improvements	\$89,500.00	Medium
	Soccer Field Improvements	\$65,500.00	Medium
	Pavilion Design	\$30,000.00	Long
	Pavilion Construction	\$450,000.00	Long
	Plaza	\$24,500.00	Long
	Total	\$954,500.00	



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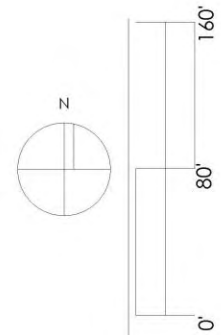
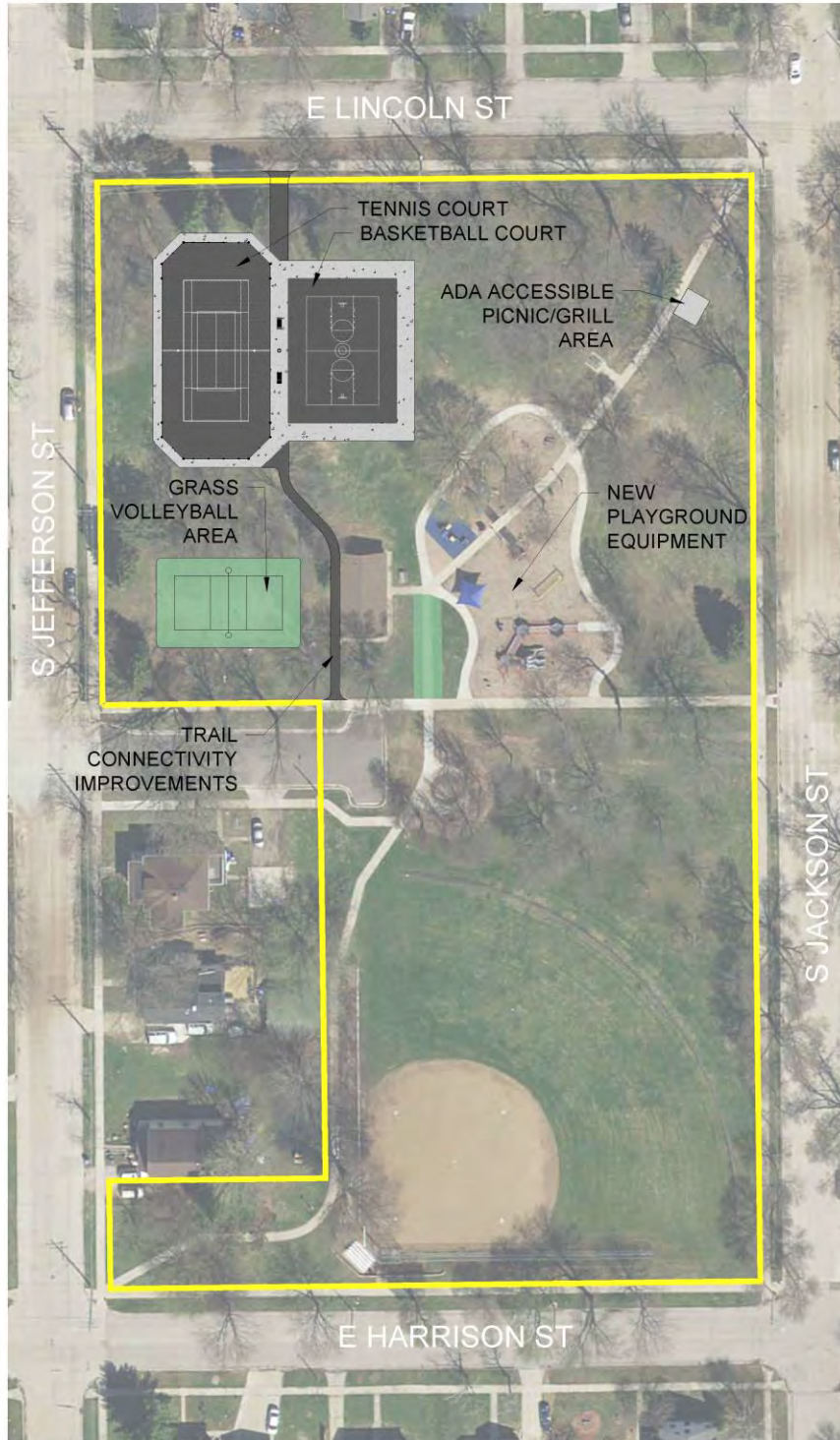
Jaycee Park

Neighborhood Park – 4.00 acres

See Map SM-11 in the References section.

- Construct tennis and basketball courts
- Play area improvements:
 - Install new playground equipment
- Remove one sand volleyball court and relocate as grass volleyball court
- Site lighting allowance
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Improved connections to site features
 - ADA picnic area

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Jaycee Park	Tennis and Basketball Courts	\$250,000.00	Medium
	Play Area Equipment	\$90,000.00	Medium
	Volleyball Court Removal and Relocation	\$10,000.00	Long
	Site Lighting Allowance	\$15,000.00	Medium
	Trail Improvements	\$7,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$375,000.00	



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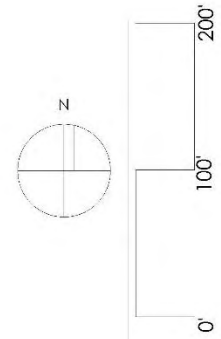
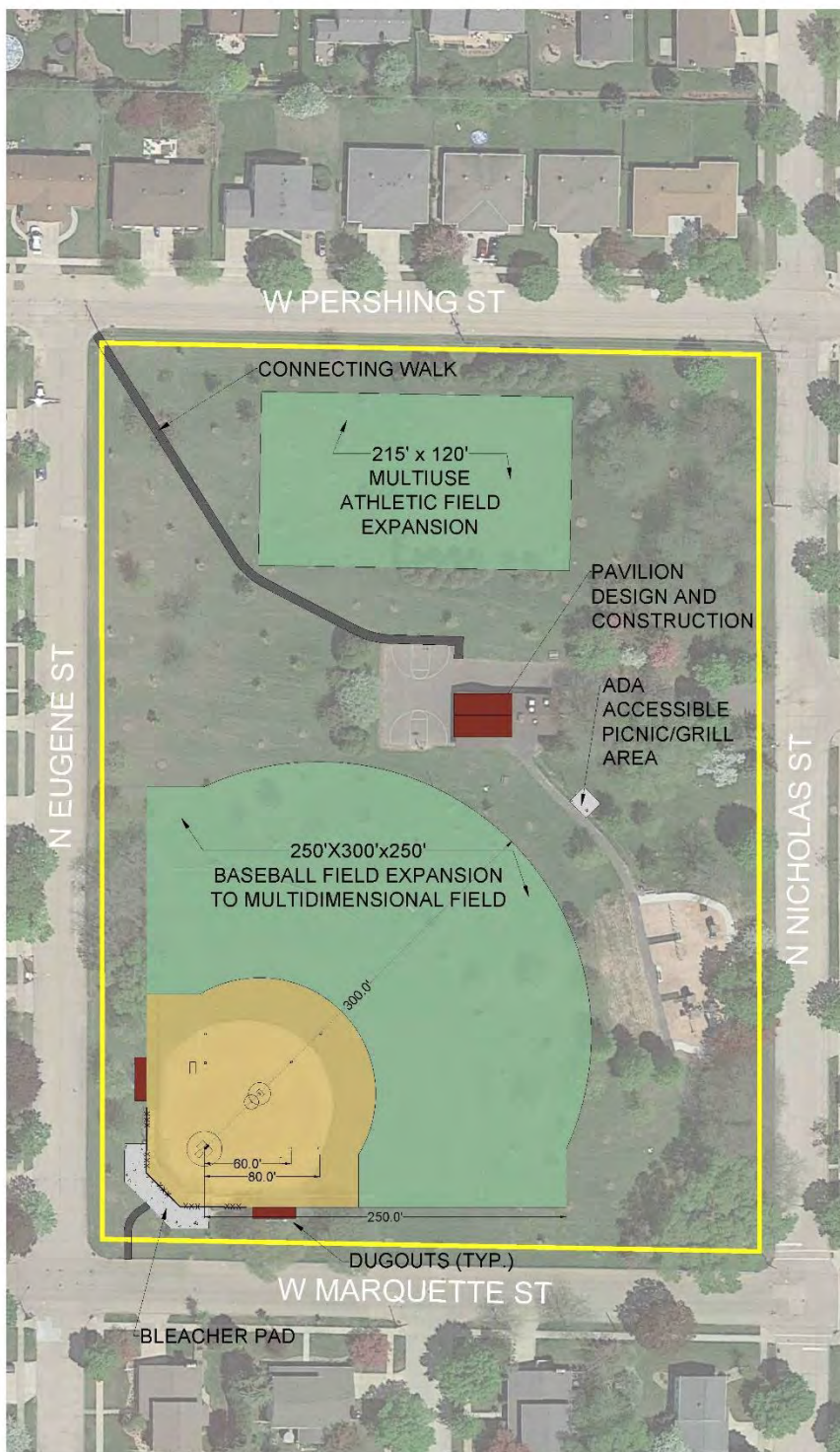
Kiwanis Park

Neighborhood Park – 6.50 acres

See Map SM-13 in the References section.

- Sports field improvements:
 - Increase the size of the existing ball field to create a multidimensional field,
 - Add a bleacher pad and dugouts
 - Create a new 150'x300' multiuse field
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Add connections to major site features and amenities
 - ADA picnic area
- Design and construct a new pavilion (detached from the lift station)
- Install site lighting

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Kiwanis Park	Ball Field Improvements	\$391,000.00	Medium
	Soccer Field Improvements	\$30,000.00	Long
	Walkway Improvements	\$13,500.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Pavilion Design	\$30,000.00	Long
	Pavilion Construction	\$450,000.00	Long
	Site Lighting Allowance	\$16,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$933,500.00	



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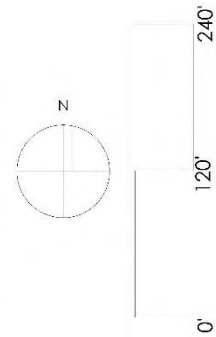
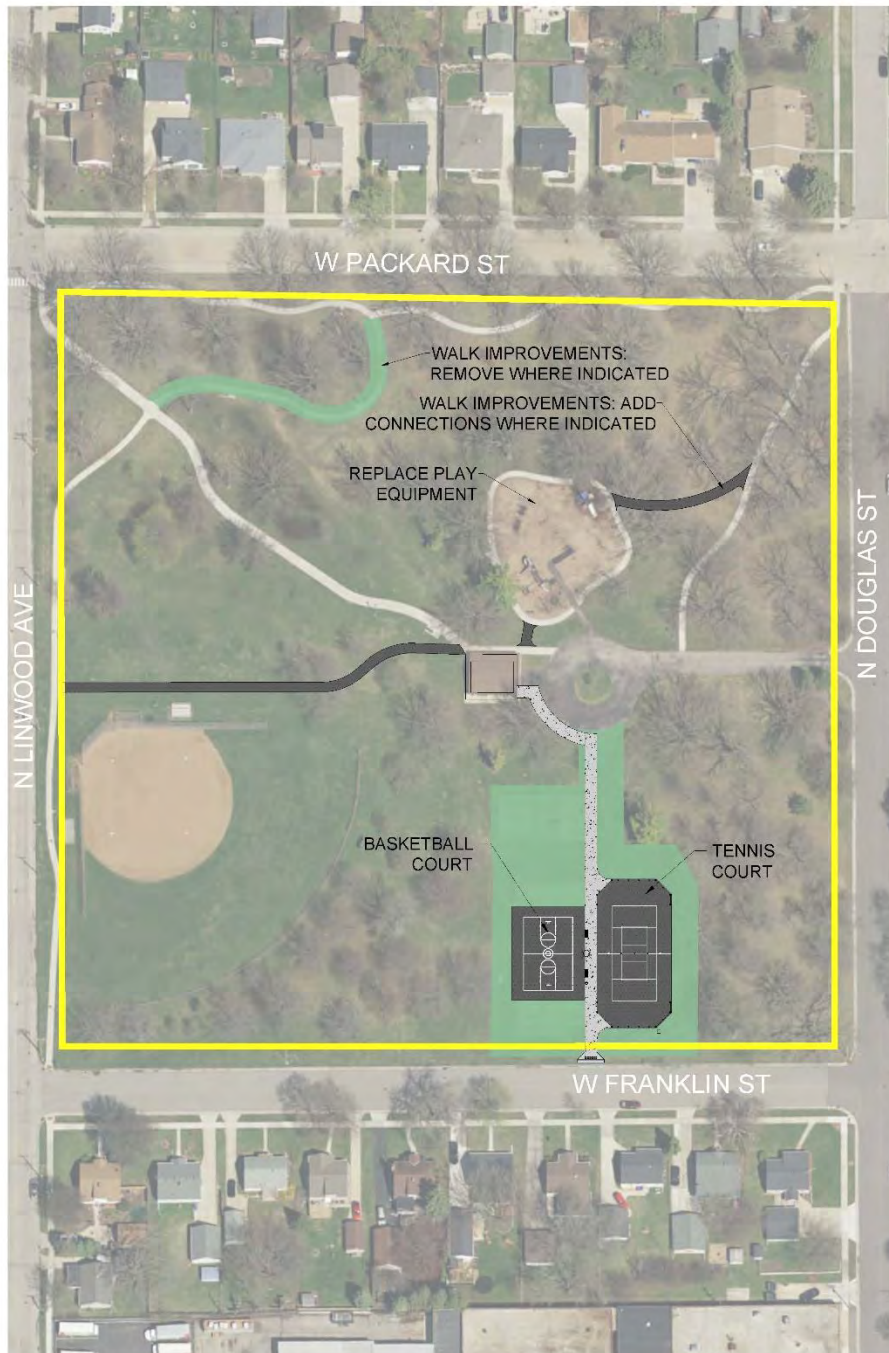
Linwood Park

Neighborhood Park – 9.50 acres

See Map SM-14 in the References section.

- Play area improvements:
 - Replace play equipment (5-12-year-old)
- Construct tennis and basketball courts
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Improve connections between site components
 - ADA picnic area
- Lighting allowance

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Linwood Park	Play Area Improvements: Equipment (5-12 yo)	\$85,000.00	Short
	Tennis and Basketball Courts	\$275,000.00	Short
	Walk Improvements	\$29,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Lighting Allowance	\$16,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$408,000.00	



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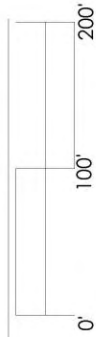
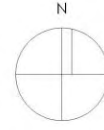
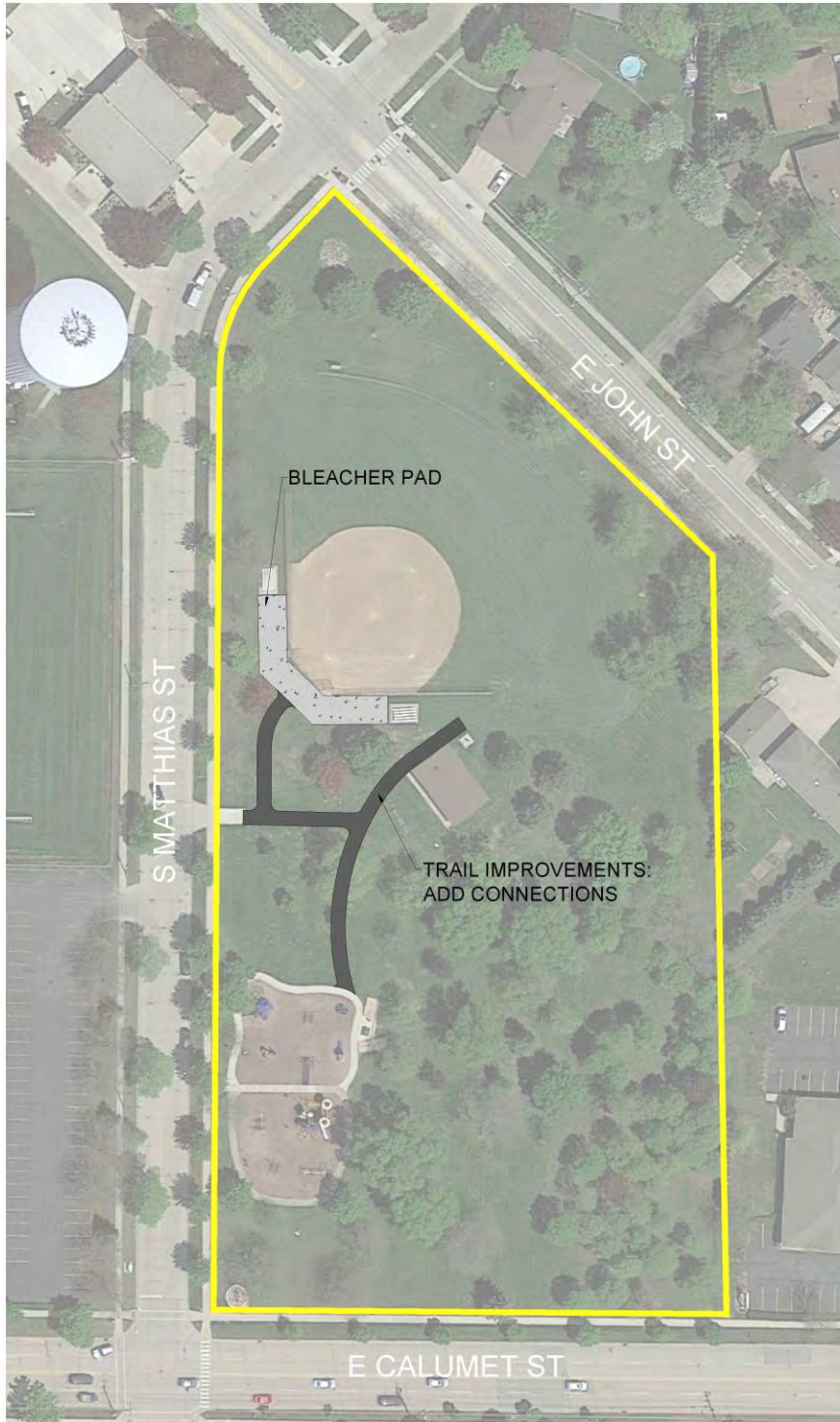
Lions Park

Neighborhood Park – 4.40 acres

See Map SM-15 in the References section.

- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Increase connectivity between site components
- Construct a bleacher pad behind the softball field

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Lions Park	Trail Improvements	\$19,000.00	Medium
	Bleacher Pad	\$33,700.00	Medium
	Total	\$52,700.00	



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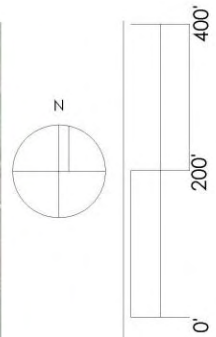
Lutz Park

Neighborhood Park – 2.70 acres

See Map SM-16 in the References section.

- Shoreline stabilization and trail design and construction
- Install site lighting
- ADA picnic area
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Connecting walk

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Lutz Park	Shoreline Stabilization and Trail Design	\$25,000.00	Short
	Shoreline Stabilization and Trail Construction	\$350,000.00	Short
	Walk Connection	\$7,500.00	Medium
	Site Lighting Allowance	\$150,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$535,500.00	



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Mead Park

Neighborhood Park – 8.50 acres

See Map SM-17 in the References section.

- Park expansion (acquire house on north side of parking lot to make parking lot larger)
- Upgrade sand play area
- Commission a conditional analysis and master plan
- Aquatics/pool renovation design (including pool, bathhouse, concession, and equipment building)
- Aquatics renovation construction

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Mead Park	Park Expansion	TBD	
	Sand Play Area upgrade	\$40,000.00	Short
	Condition Analysis and Master Plan	\$50,000.00	Short
	Pool Renovation Design	\$200,000.00	Short
	Aquatics Renovation	\$2,000,000.00	Short
	Total	\$2,290,000.00	

Northside Park

Neighborhood Park – 7.02 acres

See Map SM-18 in the References section.

- Park master planning
- Park design and construction

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Northside Park	Park Master Planning	\$30,000.00	Short
	Park Design	\$30,000.00	Short
	Park Construction	\$400,000.00	Short
	Total	\$460,000.00	

Peabody Park

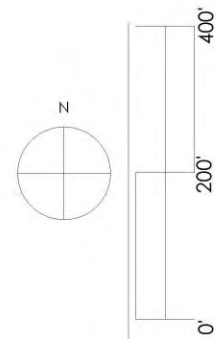
Neighborhood Park – 16.20 acres

See Map SM-19 in the References section.

- Seawall design and construction
- Construct a fishing jetty/wharf
- Install a canoe/kayak launch
- Construct basketball and tennis courts combination (with lighting)
- Build a covered scenic overlook with a view out across the river
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Lighted shoreline trail
 - Pave trail to Appvion property (1/3 mile)
 - Update step connection to existing trail by bridge
 - ADA picnic area
- Pavilion design and construction
- Boat landing improvements
- Shoreline landscaping allowance
- Site furnishings allowance (i.e. benches, etc.)
- Site lighting allowance (replace lighting on existing trails)

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Peabody Park	Seawall Design	\$25,000.00	Short
	Seawall Construction	\$350,000.00	Short
	Fishing Jetty/Wharf	\$20,000.00	Medium
	Canoe/Kayak Launch	\$30,000.00	Long
	Basketball and Tennis Courts Combination w/ Lighting	\$250,000.00	Long
	Scenic Overlook	\$950,000.00	Long
	Shoreline Trail	\$48,500.00	Medium
	Trail Connection to Appvion	\$88,000.00	Medium
	Stairs Update Allowance	\$50,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Pavilion Design	\$30,000.00	Short
	Pavilion Construction	\$450,000.00	Short
	Boat Landing Improvements	\$50,000.00	Medium

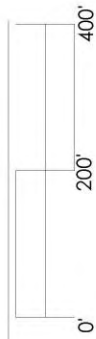
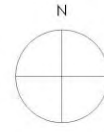
	Shoreline Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000.00	Long
	Site Furnishings Allowance	\$10,000.00	Long
	Site Lighting Allowance	\$16,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$2,378,500.00	



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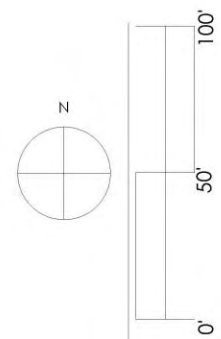
Pioneer Park

Neighborhood Park – 0.52 acres

See Map SM-20 in the References section.

- ADA picnic area
- Play area improvements:
 - Add a small play area with perimeter walk and poured in place surfacing
- Walkway improvements:
 - Connection to Ellen Kort Park staircase

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Pioneer Park	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Play Area Improvements	\$81,500.00	Medium
	Ellen Kort Connection	\$20,000.00	Long
	Total	\$104,500.00	



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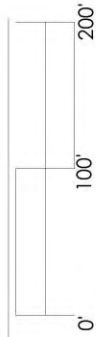
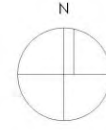
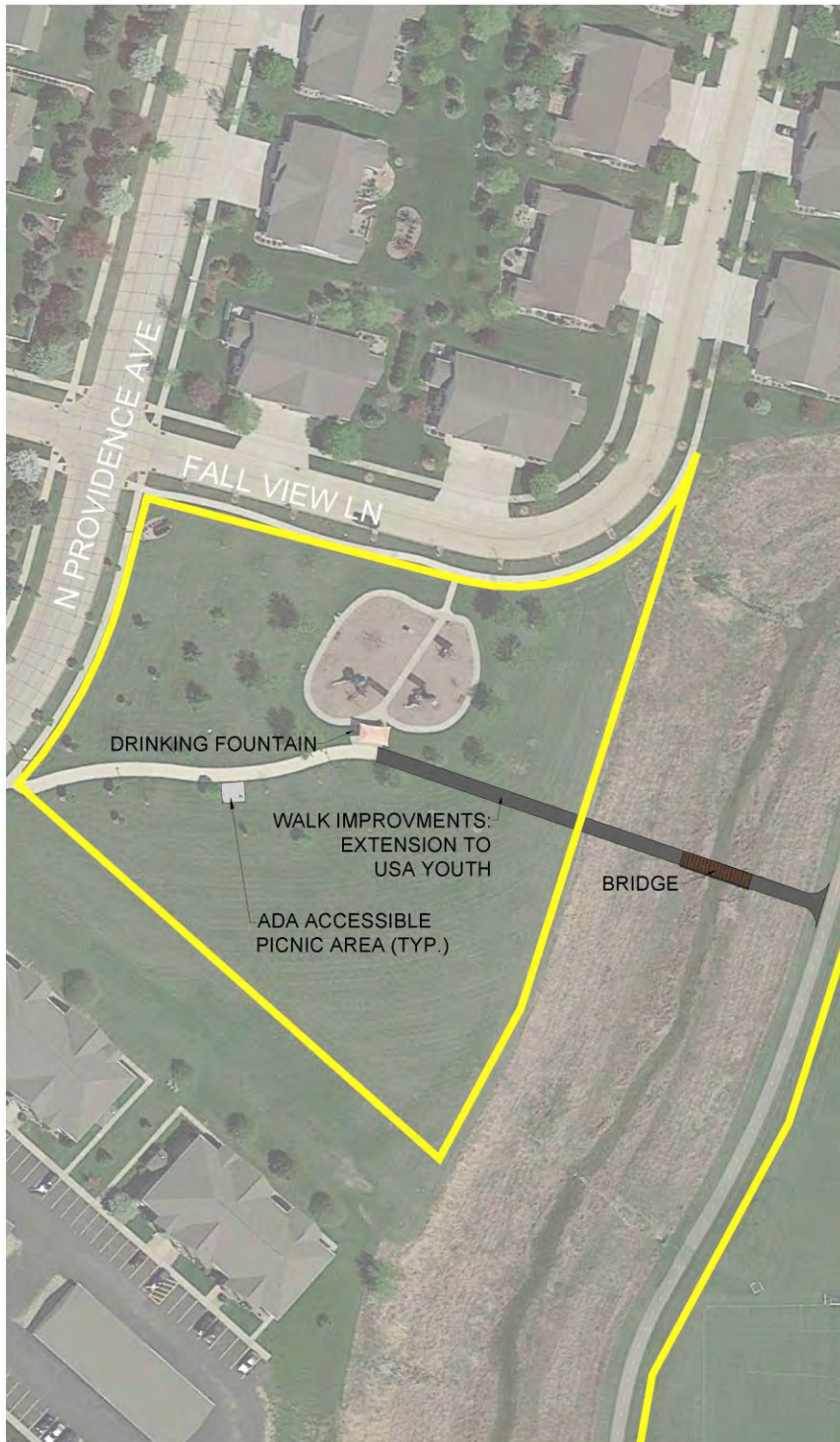
Providence Park

Neighborhood Park – 3.33 acres

See Map SM-21 in the References section.

- Bridge design and construction
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Trail extension to future bridge
 - ADA picnic area
- Site amenities:
 - Drinking fountain with bottle fill feature

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Providence Park	Bridge Design and Construction	\$500,000.00	Short
	Trail Extension	\$14,500.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Drinking Fountain	\$4,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$521,500.00	



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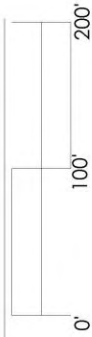
Schaefer Park

Neighborhood Park – 6.40 acres

See Map SM-22 in the References section.

- Design and construction of a new pavilion
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Mid-block trail connection
- Play area improvements:
 - Concrete perimeter walkway around playground
- Construct ADA picnic areas
- Site lighting allowance

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Schaefer Park	Pavilion Design	\$30,000.00	Short
	Pavilion Construction	\$500,000.00	Short
	Walk Improvements	\$14,000.00	Medium
	Play Area Improvements	\$15,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Areas	\$6,000.00	Medium
	Site Lighting Allowance	\$15,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$580,000.00	



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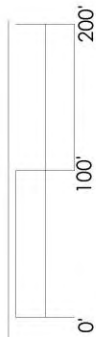
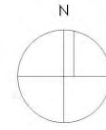
Summit Park

Neighborhood Park – 5.49 acres

See Map SM-23 in the References section.

- Add backstop to southwest corner of park
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Connect all park amenities
 - ADA picnic area
 - Plaza around pavilion
- Design and construction of a new pavilion
- Basketball improvements (mill and overlay existing asphalt, resurface and restripe)
- Site lighting allowance
- Landscaping allowance

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Summit Park	Backstop	\$30,000.00	Medium
	Walk Improvements	\$18,500.00	Short
	Pavilion Design	\$30,000.00	Short
	Pavilion Construction	\$450,000.00	Short
	Pavilion Plaza	\$25,000.00	Medium
	Basketball Improvements	\$41,000.00	Short
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Site Lighting Allowance	\$16,000.00	Medium
	Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000.00	Long
	Total	\$621,500.00	



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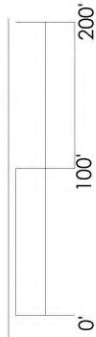
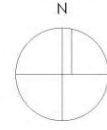
Veterans Park

Neighborhood Park – 2.00 acres

See Map SM-24 in the References section.

- Construct a scenic overlook
- Parking lot improvements
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Connections to all park features
- ADA picnic and grill area

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Veterans Park	Scenic Overlook	\$950,000.00	Short
	Parking Lot Improvements	\$34,000.00	Long
	Walk Improvements	\$11,000.00	Medium
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$998,000.00	



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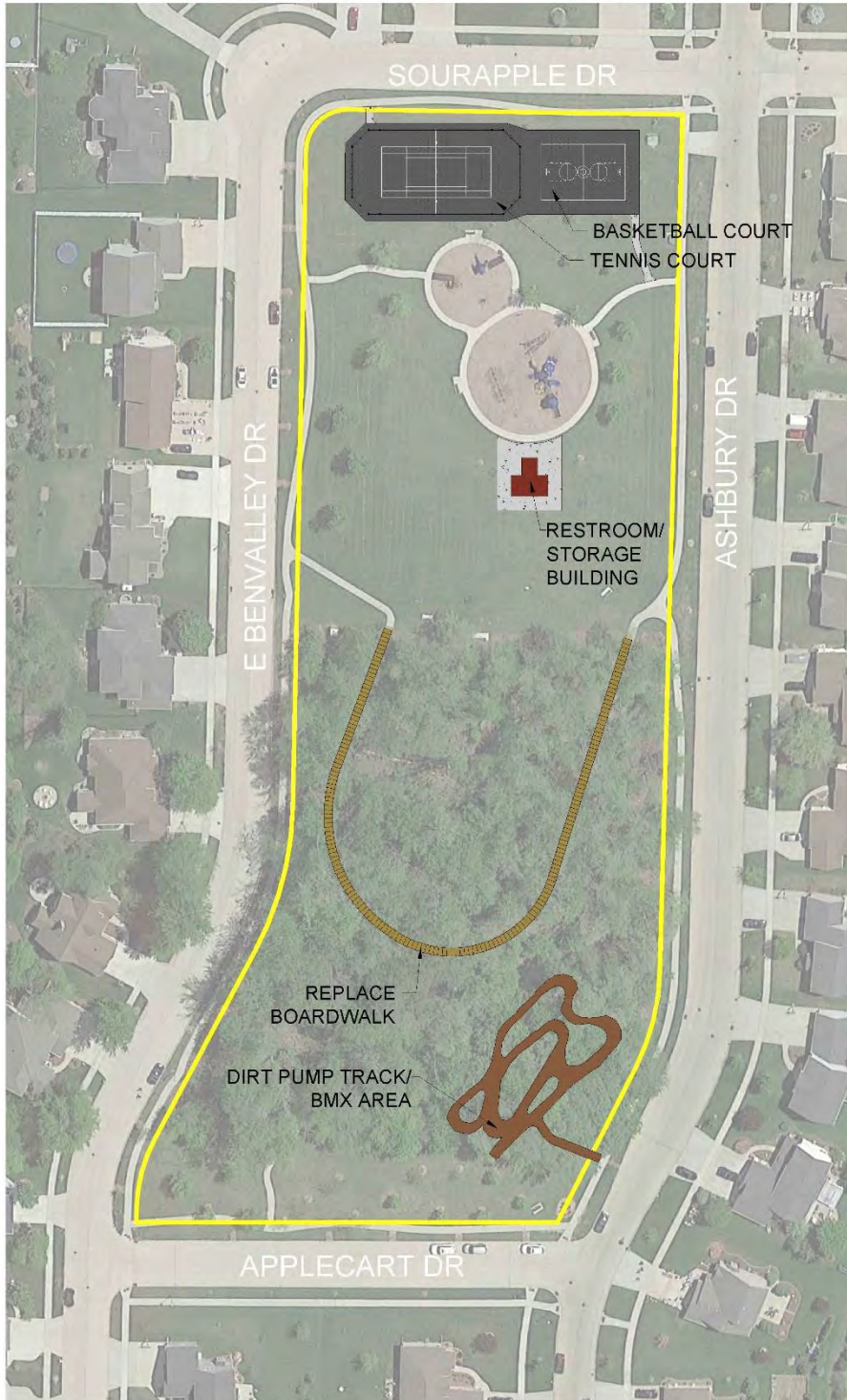
Vosters Park

Neighborhood Park – 5.10 acres

See Map SM-25 in the References section.

- Construct tennis and basketball courts
- Design and construct a restroom building with storage area
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Connecting walks
- Build a pump track
- ADA picnic area
- Replace the existing boardwalk
- Landscaping allowance (for hazardous tree removal and site restoration)

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Vosters Park	Tennis and Basketball Courts	\$250,000.00	Medium
	Restroom Building	\$273,000.00	Long
	Walk Improvements	\$4,500.00	Medium
	Pump Track	\$100,000.00	Long
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium
	Replace Boardwalk	\$150,000.00	Medium
	Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$788,500.00	



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Vulcan Heritage Park

Neighborhood Park – 2.05 acres

See Map SM-26 in the References section.

- Design services and development for the west end of the park

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Vulcan Heritage Park	Design - West End	\$30,000.00	Short
	Development – West End	\$400,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$430,000.00	

**Note: please refer to the Vulcan Heritage Master Plan in Appendix D: Existing Master Plans.*

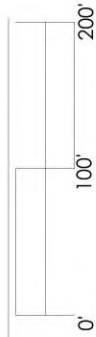
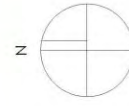
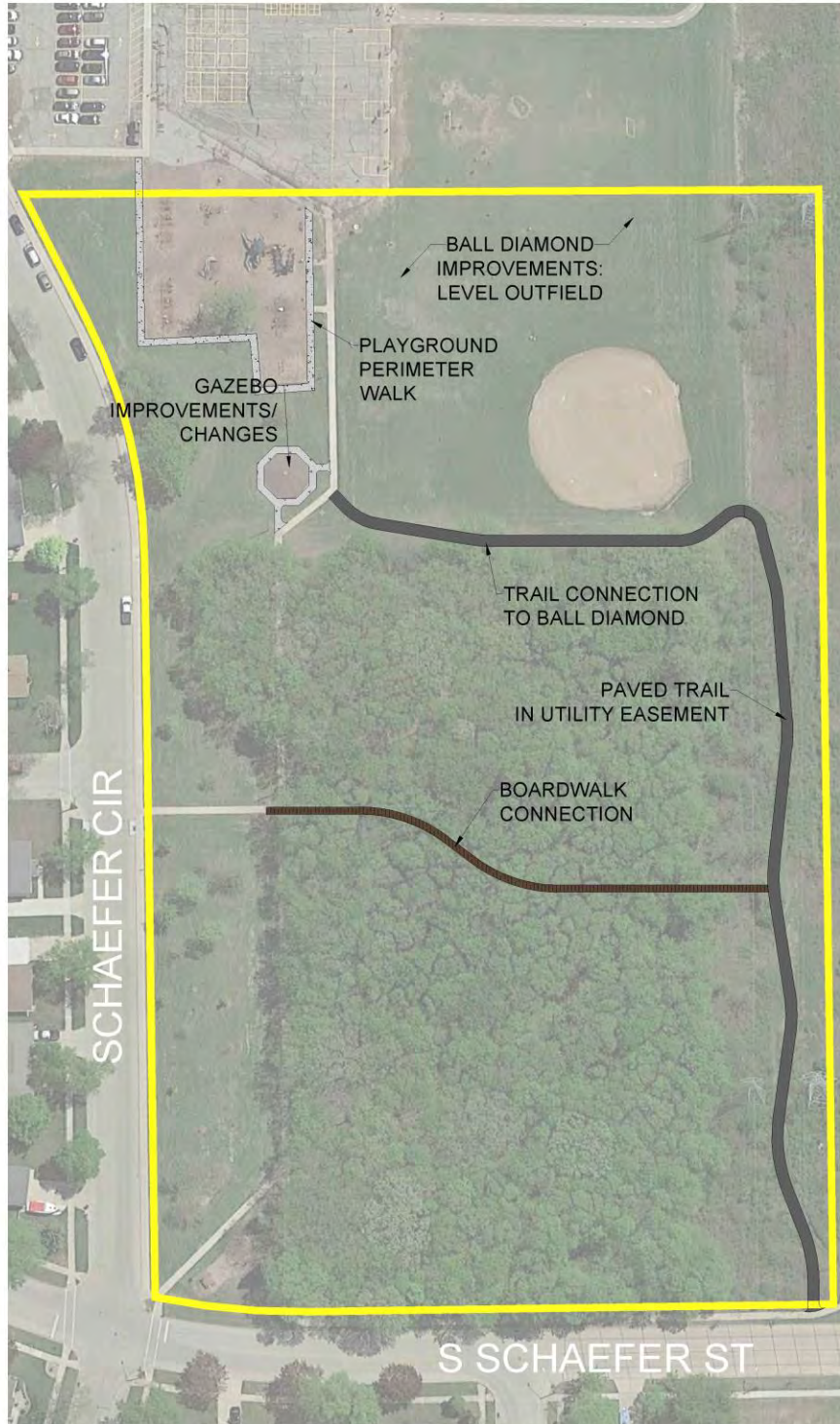
Woodland Park

Neighborhood Park – 8.70 acres

See Map SM-27 in the References section.

- Baseball diamond improvements:
 - Level outfield
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Install a paved trail along the utility easement
 - Add trail connections to all features
 - Construct a boardwalk through the woods
- Play area improvements:
 - Concrete perimeter walk around playground
- Gazebo Improvements (demolish and replace with a shade arbor)
 - Concrete perimeter walk
- Lighting improvements (also for trail)

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Woodland Park	Baseball Improvements: Level Outfield	\$26,500.00	Medium
	Trail Improvements: Boardwalk	\$63,000.00	Medium
	Trail Improvements: Trail Along Utility Easement	\$23,400.00	Medium
	Trail Improvements: Connections	\$12,200.00	Medium
	Play Area Improvements: Perimeter Walk	\$25,300.00	Short
	Gazebo Demolition and Reconstruction	\$161,000.00	Long
	Lighting Allowance	\$18,000.00	Short
	Total	\$329,400.00	



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Appleton Memorial Park

Community Park – 140.10 acres

See Map SM-28 in the References section.

- Replace play equipment and rubber surfacing
- Construct splash pad
- Reconstruct parking lot #3 (Ice Center)
- Reconstruct parking lot #4 (Scheig Center)
- Fitness/Agility equipment
- Install synthetic turf infields on the four main ball diamonds 1-4 (to extend playing season and usage)
- Archery range redevelopment with ADA access
- Construct tennis/basketball combination courts (with pickleball striping) by the new planned pavilion
- Baseball/Softball complex upgrades:
 - Install new scoreboards
 - Replace fencing and upgrade lights on field 7
 - Demolish and replace Jones building and walkways
 - Install irrigation on fields 1,5, and 7 (3 was done this fall)
- Upgrade lighting
- Design and construction for Phase 1 (parking lot, pavilion, splash pad, new playground, and Scheig connection)
- Design for Phases 2 and 3 (trail system and parking lot)
- Construction for Phase 2 (section of the trail)
- Construction for Phase 3 (complete the rest of the trail system)
- Add trail connecting Witzke Blvd. to McDonald St.
- Repurpose existing pavilion to kayak/canoe rental facility

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Appleton Memorial Park	Playground Equipment & Rubber Surfacing	\$650,000.00	Short
	Splash Pad	\$360,000.00	Short
	Parking Lot #3	\$300,000.00	Short
	Parking Lot #4	\$550,000.00	Short
	Fitness/Agility Equipment	\$95,000.00	Medium
	Synthetic Turf on Main Diamonds (infields only)	\$506,000.00	Long
	Archery Range Upgrades	\$50,000.00	Medium

	Tennis/Basketball Courts	\$250,000.00	Medium
	Scoreboards	\$150,000.00	Short
	Field 7 Upgrades (fencing and lighting)	\$100,000.00	Short
	Jones Building and Walkways (demo and replace)	\$2,900,000.00	Short
	Ball Field Irrigation (fields 1,3,5, and 7)	\$150,000.00	Short
	Lighting Upgrade	\$235,000.00	Short
	Phase 1 Design	\$125,000.00	Short
	Phase 1 Construction	\$1,100,000.00	Short
	Phase 2 and 3 Design	\$40,000.00	Short
	Phase 2 Construction	\$350,000.00	Short
	Phase 3 Construction	\$350,000.00	Short
	Trail Connection (Witzke Blvd.- McDonald St.)	\$100,000.00	Short
	Total	\$8,361,000.00	

**Note: please refer to the Appleton Memorial Park Master Plan in Appendix D: Existing Master Plans.*

Erb Park

Community Park – 27.75 acres

See Map SM-29 in the References section.

- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Reconstruct entry trail into park
 - Trail loop
- Lighting allowance (trail lighting and tennis court lighting upgrades)

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Erb Park	Lighting Allowance	\$250,000.00	Short
	Entry Walk	\$22,000.00	Medium
	Trail Loop	\$29,500.00	Medium
	Total	\$301,500.00	

**Note: please refer to the Erb Park Master Plan in Appendix D: Existing Master Plans.*

Pierce Park

Community Park – 34.91 acres

See Map SM-30 in the References section.

- Play area improvements:
 - Install new playground equipment (5-12 and 2-5) and rubber surface
 - Provide perimeter walk with drainage at play area
 - Install shade structure
- Construct walkway/trail improvements:
 - Create accessible route to/between site amenities (concrete walks)
 - ADA picnic area
 - Ravine trail improvements (pave trail, lighting, stair improvements)
 - Bridge connection over the railroad tracks
 - West access trail
 - Exercise Stations
- Install shade structures around amenities
- Design and construction for new splash pad
- Main Parking lot improvements:
 - Resurface and striping
- Remove/demo existing log building
- Basketball court improvements:
 - Resurfacing, hard surface addition, and striping
- Pickleball courts (lighted)
- Ballfield to soccer conversion
 - Remove existing ballfield
 - Relocate backstop
 - Install 330'x195' soccer field
- Install disc golf tee boxes
- Relocate Memorial area
- Trailhead Parking (demolish some of the existing parking area, sealcoat, crack fill, and restripe lot)
- Site lighting allowance

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Pierce Park	Playground Upgrades (equipment & surface)	\$325,000.00	Short
	Play Area Perimeter Walk	\$17,500.00	Short
	Accessible Routes	\$68,000.00	Short
	ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000.00	Medium

	Ravine Trail Improvements	\$70,000.00	Medium
	Stair Improvements	\$30,000.00	Long
	Bridge Over Tracks	\$200,000.00	Long
	West Access Trail	\$34,000.00	Long
	Exercise Stations	\$36,000.00	Medium
	Shade Structure	\$20,000.00	Medium
	Splash Pad Design	\$30,000.00	Short
	Splash Pad Construction	\$360,000.00	Short
	Main Parking Lot Improvements	\$100,000.00	Medium
	Log Building Demolition	\$10,000.00	Medium
	Basketball Court Improvements	\$40,000.00	Long
	Pickleball Courts	\$215,000.00	Long
	Remove Existing Ballfield	\$14,000.00	Medium
	Soccer Field	\$70,000.00	Long
	Disc Golf Tee Boxes	\$25,000.00	Medium
	Relocated Memorial Area	TBD	Medium
	Trailhead Parking	\$20,00.00	Long
	Relocate Backstop	\$15,000.00	Long
	Site Lighting Allowance	\$50,000.00	Short
	Total	\$1,752,500.00	



Telulah Park

Community Park – 39.31 acres

See Map SM-31 in the References section.

- Construct tennis/basketball combination courts
- Install new playground equipment and rubber surfacing
- Install a shade structure by the skate park
- Trail additions
- Pavilion design and construction
- Soccer field improvements (irrigation and crowning)
- Riverfront development (Phase 2 construction)
- Design and construction of new splash pad

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Telulah Park	Tennis & Basketball Combination Courts	\$275,000.00	Medium
	Playground Equipment and Surfacing	\$350,000.00	Medium
	Shade Structures	\$20,000.00	Medium
	Trail Additions	\$100,000.00	
	Pavilion Design	\$30,000.00	Medium
	Pavilion Construction	\$450,000.00	Medium
	Soccer Field Improvements	\$42,000.00	Medium
	Riverfront Development (PH2)	\$600,000.00	Short
	Splash Pad Design	\$30,000.00	Short
	Splash Pad Construction	\$360,000.00	Medium
	Total	\$2,257,000.00	

**Note: please refer to the Telulah Park Master Plan in Appendix D: Existing Master Plans.*

Houdini Plaza

Special Use Park – 1.00 acre

See Map SM-32 in the References section.

- Install irrigation for Plaza
- Electrical improvements

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Houdini Plaza	Irrigation	\$75,000.00	Short
	Electrical Improvements	\$35,000.00	Short
	Total	\$110,000.00	

Reid Golf Course

Special Use Park – 107.60 acres

See Map SM-33 in the References section.

- New parking lot design and construction
- Bathroom updates (women's)
- Park master planning
- Bathroom updates (men's)
- Construct paved paths
- Concession equipment replacement (Phase 1)
- Course renovations
- Construct paved paths (Phase 2)
- Sand storage
- Exterior sign (message center)
- Concession equipment replacement (Phase 2)
- Card access system
- Construct paved paths (Phase 3)

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Reid Golf Course	Parking Lot Design	\$25,000.00	Short
	Parking Lot Construction	\$100,000.00	Short
	Bathroom Updates (women's)	\$30,000.00	Short
	Master Planning	\$15,000.00	Short
	Bathroom Updates (men's)	\$30,000.00	Short
	Paved Paths (PH1)	\$25,000.00	Short
	Concession Equipment (PH1)	\$15,000.00	Short
	Course Renovations	\$15,000.00	Short
	Paved Paths (PH2)	\$35,000.00	Short
	Sand Storage	\$20,000.00	Short
	Exterior Sign	\$25,000.00	Short
	Concession Equipment (PH 2)	\$15,000.00	Short
	Card Access System	\$10,000.00	Short
	Paved Paths (PH3)	\$25,000.00	Short
	Total	\$385,000.00	

USA Youth Sports Complex

Special Use Park – 80.00 acres

See Map SM-35 in the References section.

Note: Property is owned by the City of Appleton, but leased to USA Youth and not open to the public.

Southeast Community Park

Future Park – 00.00 acres

See Map SM-XX in the References section.

- Acquisition of Southeast Community Park
- Master Plan
- Park Design
- Site Development
- Park Construction

Site Name	Proposed Development	Development Cost	Priority
Southeast Community Park	Park Acquisition	\$500,000.00	Short
	Master Plan	\$75,000.00	Short
	Park Design	\$250,000.00	Short
	Site Development	\$750,000.00	Short
	Park Construction	\$2,500,000.00	Short
	Total	\$4,075,000.00	

Capital Improvements Program

Information collected through community input, user group input, Appleton Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Management Department, and the City of Appleton Parks and Recreation Committee, in addition to professional assessment was used to develop a set of recommendations. The following section provides a plan for implementing those recommendations over the next five to ten+ year period.

Cost estimates are provided to assist the City in preparing for funding. Estimates are based on 2017-2019 costs and do not reflect potential future price increases. Additionally, the estimates provided are for the total cost of the project and do not take into account any potential funding assistance, even though many projects will be eligible for funding programs.

In order to provide a concise action plan for the recommended projects, the information is organized into a park and trail improvement matrix of short-, mid- and long-term strategies that are based on time increments of 1-5 years, 6-10 years and 10+ years and beyond.

While the strategies are shown in terms of short-, mid- and long-term planning increments, the successful completion of the strategies will depend upon the fiscal and political climate in any given year. It is important, therefore, that the City monitor, review and prioritize the strategies on an annual basis prior to the budgeting process.



Capital Improvement Schedule

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Alicia Park				
Play Area: Equipment & Surfacing	\$125,000		X	
Play Area: Perimeter Walk	\$14,000		X	
Trails: Park Access	\$38,000	X		
Trails: Waterfront Access	\$11,500			X
Trails: Riverfront Trail	\$35,000			X
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000			X
Stairs to Riverfront	\$950,000		X	
Fishing Pier	\$25,000		X	
Restrooms Building Design & Construction	\$479,000			X
Scenic Overlook	\$950,000			X
Lighting Allowance	\$12,000			X
Riverbank Stabilization Allowance	\$150,000			X
SUBTOTAL	\$2,792,500			

Arbutus Park				
Dog Exercise Area/s	\$141,500		X	
North Entrance Reconstruction	\$75,000		X	
South End Trail Improvements	\$40,500		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Restroom Building Design & Construction	\$461,000			X
Play Area: Perimeter Walk	\$15,000		X	
Play Area: Surfacing	\$143,700			X
Play Area: Equipment	\$95,000			X
Mid-Park Entrance	\$155,000			X
SUBTOTAL	\$1,129,700			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
City Park				
Fitness Circuit Equipment	\$55,000		X	
Drainage Improvements	\$150,000		X	
Walkway Improvement Allowance	\$40,000		X	
Fountain Pit Improvements	\$35,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$283,000			

Colony Oaks Park				
Walk (to north)	\$16,000			X
Connecting Walks	\$18,500		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Multipurpose Field Improvements	\$62,500		X	
Play Area: Perimeter Walk	\$15,000		X	
Lighting Allowance	\$12,000		X	
Basketball Court	\$58,000		X	
Volleyball	\$20,000			X
Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$213,000			

Derks Park				
Backstop	\$30,000		X	
Tennis/Basketball Courts	\$250,000			X
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Connecting Walk	\$5,500		X	
Lighting Improvements	\$250,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$538,500			

Einstein Park				
Restroom Removal	\$35,000			X
Walkway Updates	\$29,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Bleacher Pad	\$18,500		X	
Play Area Improvements	\$24,000		X	
Lighting Allowance	\$99,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$208,500			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Ellen Kort Peace Park				
Park Development Phase 1	\$875,000	X		
Park Development Phase 2	\$1,000,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$1,875,000			

Green Meadows Park				
Play Area: Equipment	\$90,000	X		
Play Area: Perimeter Walks	\$34,500	X		
Trail/Walk Improvements	\$51,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Backstop Improvements	\$30,000		X	
Lighting Allowance	\$15,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$223,500			

Highview Park				
Play Area: Equipment	\$90,000	X		
Play Area: Perimeter Walks	\$10,000		X	
Trail Improvements	\$10,300		X	
Backstop	\$30,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$140,300			

Hoover Park				
Tennis & Basketball Courts	\$250,000	X		
Trail Improvements	\$45,000		X	
Softball Improvements	\$89,500		X	
Soccer Field Improvements	\$65,500		X	
Pavilion Design	\$30,000			X
Pavilion Construction	\$450,000			X
Plaza	\$24,500			X
SUBTOTAL	\$954,500			

Jaycee Park				
Tennis & Basketball Courts	\$250,000		X	
Play Area: Equipment	\$90,000		X	
Volleyball Court (removal & relocation)	\$10,000			X
Site Lighting Allowance	\$15,000		X	
Trail Improvements	\$7,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$375,000			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Kiwanis Park				
Ball Field Improvements	\$391,000		X	
Soccer Field Improvements	\$30,000			X
Walkway Improvements	\$13,500		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Pavilion Design	\$30,000			X
Pavilion Construction	\$450,000			X
Site Lighting Allowance	\$16,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$933,500			

Linwood Park				
Play Area: Equipment	\$85,000	X		
Tennis & Basketball Courts	\$275,000	X		
Walk Improvements	\$29,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Lighting Allowance	\$16,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$408,000			

Lions Park				
Trail Improvements	\$19,000		X	
Bleacher Pad	\$33,700		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$52,700			

Lutz Park				
Shoreline Stabilization & Trail Design	\$25,000	X		
Shoreline Stabilization & Trail Construction	\$350,000	X		
Walk Connection	\$7,500		X	
Site Lighting Allowance	\$150,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$535,500			

Mead Park				
Park Expansion	TBD			
Sand Play Area Upgrade	\$40,000	X		
Condition Analysis & Master Plan	\$50,000	X		
Pool Renovation Design	\$200,000	X		
Aquatics Renovation	\$2,000,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$2,290,000			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Northside Park				
Park Master Planning	\$30,000	X		
Park Design	\$30,000	X		
Park Construction	\$400,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$460,000			

Peabody Park				
Seawall Design	\$25,000	X		
Seawall Construction	\$350,000	X		
Fishing Jetty/Wharf	\$20,000		X	
Canoe/Kayak Launch	\$30,000			X
Basketball/Tennis Combination Courts w/ Lighting	\$250,000			X
Scenic Overlook	\$950,000			X
Shoreline Trail	\$48,500		X	
Trail Connection to Appvion	\$88,000		X	
Stairs Update Allowance	\$50,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Pavilion Design	\$30,000	X		
Pavilion Construction	\$450,000	X		
Boat Landing Improvements	\$50,000		X	
Shoreline Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000			X
Site Furnishings Allowance	\$10,000			X
Site Lighting Allowance	\$16,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$2,378,500			

Pioneer Park				
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Play Area Improvements	\$81,500		X	
Ellen Kort Connection	\$20,000			X
SUBTOTAL	\$104,500			

Providence Park				
Bridge Design & Construction	\$500,000	X		
Trail Extension	\$14,500		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Drinking Fountain	\$4,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$521,500			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Schaefer Park				
Pavilion Design	\$30,000	X		
Pavilion Construction	\$500,000	X		
Walk Improvements	\$14,000		X	
Play Area Improvements	\$15,000		X	
ADA Picnic Areas	\$6,000		X	
Site Lighting Allowance	\$15,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$580,000			

Summit Park				
Backstop	\$30,000		X	
Walk Improvements	\$18,500	X		
Pavilion Design	\$30,000	X		
Pavilion Construction	\$450,000	X		
Pavilion Plaza	\$25,000		X	
Basketball Improvements	\$41,000	X		
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Site Lighting Allowance	\$16,000		X	
Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000			X
SUBTOTAL	\$621,500			

Veterans Park				
Scenic Overlook	\$950,000	X		
Parking Lot Improvement	\$34,000			X
Walk Improvements	\$11,000		X	
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$998,000			

Vosters Park				
Tennis & Basketball Courts	\$250,000		X	
Restroom Building	\$273,000			X
Walk Improvements	\$4,500		X	
Pump Track	\$100,000			X
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Replace Boardwalk	\$150,000		X	
Landscaping Allowance	\$8,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$788,500			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Vulcan Heritage Park				
Design - West End	\$30,000	X		
Development - West End	\$400,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$430,000			

Woodland Park				
Baseball: Level Outfield	\$26,500		X	
Trail: Boardwalk	\$63,000		X	
Trail: Utility Easement Trail	\$23,400		X	
Trails: Connections	\$12,200		X	
Play Area: Perimeter Walk	\$25,300	X		
Gazebo Demo & Reconstruction	\$161,000			X
Lighting Allowance	\$18,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$329,400			

Appleton Memorial Park				
Play Area Equipment & Surfacing	\$650,000	X		
Splash Pad	\$360,000	X		
Parking Lot #3	\$300,000	X		
Parking Lot #4	\$550,000	X		
Fitness/Agility Equipment	\$95,000		X	
Synthetic Turf on Main Diamonds	\$506,000			X
Archery Range Upgrades	\$50,000		X	
Tennis/Basketball Courts	\$250,000		X	
Scoreboards	\$150,000	X		
Field 7 Upgrades	\$100,000	X		
Jones Building & Walkways	\$2,900,000	X		
Ballfield Irrigation	\$150,000	X		
Lighting Upgrade	\$235,000	X		
Phase 1 Design	\$125,000	X		
Phase 1 Construction	\$1,100,000	X		
Phase 2 & 3 Design	\$40,000	X		
Phase 2 Construction	\$350,000	X		
Phase 3 Construction	\$350,000	X		
Trail Connection (Witzke-McDonald)	\$100,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$8,361,000			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Erb Park				
Lighting Allowance	\$250,000	X		
Entry Walk	\$22,000		X	
Trail Loop	\$29,500		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$301,500			

Pierce Park				
Play Area: Equipment & Surfacing	\$325,000	X		
Play Area: Perimeter Walk	\$17,500	X		
Accessible Routes	\$68,000	X		
ADA Picnic Area	\$3,000		X	
Ravine Trail Improvements	\$70,000		X	
Stair Improvements	\$30,000			X
Bridge Over Tracks	\$200,000			X
West Access Trail	\$34,000			X
Exercise Stations	\$36,000		X	
Shade Structure	\$20,000		X	
Splash Pad Desing	\$30,000	X		
Splash Pad Construction	\$360,000	X		
Main Parking Lot Improvements	\$100,000		X	
Log Building Demolition	\$10,000		X	
Basketball Court Improvements	\$40,000			X
Pickleball Courts	\$215,000			X
Remove Existing Ballfield	\$14,000		X	
Soccer Field	\$70,000			X
Disc Golf Tee Boxes	\$25,000		X	
Relocated Memorial Area	TBD		X	
Trailhead Parking	\$20,000			X
Relocate Backstop	\$15,000			X
Site Lighting Allowance	\$50,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$1,752,500			

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
ESTIMATED PARK NAME COST				
Telulah Park				
Tennis & Basketball Combination Courts	\$275,000		X	
Play Area: Equipment & Surfacing	\$350,000		X	
Shade Structures	\$20,000		X	
Trail Additions	\$100,000		X	
Pavilion Design	\$30,000		X	
Pavilion Construction	\$450,000		X	
Soccer Field Improvements	\$42,000		X	
Riverfront Development (PH2)	\$600,000	X		
Splash Pad Design	\$30,000	X		
Splash Pad Construction	\$360,000		X	
SUBTOTAL	\$2,257,000			

Houdini Plaza				
Irrigation	\$75,000	X		
Electrical Improvements	\$35,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$110,000			

Reid Golf Course				
Parking Lot Design	\$25,000	X		
Parking Lot Construction	\$100,000	X		
Bathroom Updates (women's)	\$30,000	X		
Master Planning	\$15,000	X		
Bathroom Updates (men's)	\$30,000	X		
Paved Paths (PH1)	\$25,000	X		
Concession Equipment (PH1)	\$15,000	X		
Course Renovations	\$15,000	X		
Paved Paths (PH2)	\$35,000	X		
Sand Storage	\$20,000	X		
Exterior Sign	\$25,000	X		
Concession Equipment (PH2)	\$15,000	X		
Card Access System	\$10,000	X		
Paved Paths (PH3)	\$25,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$385,000			

Southeast Community Park				
Park Acquisition	\$500,000	X		
Master Plan	\$75,000	X		
Park Design	\$250,000	X		
Site Development	\$750,000	X		
Park Construction	\$2,500,000	X		
SUBTOTAL	\$4,075,000			

City of Appleton

		Short-term (1-5 Years)	Mid-term (6-10 Years)	Long-term (10+ Years)
PARK NAME	ESTIMATED COST			

Summary

Total Cost for All Short Term Items \$23,320,800

Total Cost for All Mid-Term Items \$7,271,600

Total Cost for All Long Term Items \$6,814,700

Grand Total - All Items **\$37,407,100**

Maintenance Plan

Careful planning and design are essential to building a great community park system, but it is the level of long-term care that determines how attractive facilities remain, how long equipment lasts, how safe the parks are, and displays a city's commitment to its resident's quality of life. Additionally, sustainable maintenance improves the quality of the natural environment.

The amount of necessary maintenance will vary from park to park. Active parks, for example, tend to need a higher level of attention while open spaces often only require some type of annual maintenance.

The following is a list of goals and recommendations for the City of Appleton parks system. While the overall list of recommendations is extensive, it is meant to be long-term and the recommendations should be implemented over a period of years.

Parks, Facilities & Trail Maintenance Goals and Recommendations

Goal: Efficiency

Recommendations

- Provide adequate and well-trained park personnel.
- Promote an understanding of the significant scope of work related to parks, facilities and trail operations and maintenance.
- Plan for realistic time frames when scheduling maintenance work.
- Acquire appropriate equipment to perform maintenance effectively and efficiently.
- Create and maintain a log for tracking park system and individual park maintenance activities.
- Perform systematic routine maintenance of park facilities and equipment.
 - Play equipment
 - Courts and fields
 - Benches and picnic tables
 - Trail systems
 - Restrooms and shelters
 - Boat launches and piers

Goal: Accessibility

Recommendations

- Retrofit all parks and park facilities to be accessible, including shelters and restrooms. As park restroom buildings are built or upgraded, they should be designed to be barrier-free and accessible to all park users.
- Cover surfaces directly under play equipment and a safe zone around the play equipment with an ADA compliant resilient safety surface. In addition, provide an accessible route to all play structures and facilities.
- Continue with the current playground equipment replacement program.

Goal: Sustainable maintenance and care practices

Recommendations

- Periodically survey the condition of each park and facilities within the park in order to effectively and efficiently schedule routine maintenance projects.
- Monitor the condition of City trails during the winter to facilitate regular snow removal.
- Design a sustainable maintenance program that will evaluate annual labor, supply and equipment needs, and develop an effective and efficient method for keeping park landscapes and facilities maintained and working properly.
- Include in the maintenance program the following guidelines:
 - Retain existing soil during construction and planting projects. Stockpile and reuse this soil on-site to minimize disturbance that could encourage growth of invasive plant species.
 - If fill needs to be imported, request weed-free fill.
 - When using fertilizer, use organic or “slow-release” and use no more than recommended for proper growth.
 - The soil should be tested once every three years to determine the need for fertilizer.
 - If soil pH needs to be adjusted, the use of lime or soil acidifying materials can be added.
 - Use compost as an annual dressing.
 - Create a compost area within the park system to supply needed compost.
 - Mulching retains moisture in the soil, moderates soil temperature, prevents erosion and the washing away of nutrients, and keeps weed growth under control. Mulch should be applied no deeper than 4” on trees, 2-3” on shrubs, and about an inch on perennials.
 - Use shredded hardwood mulch rather than wood chips because of its slower decomposition rate and lower nitrogen depletion properties.
 - In turf areas and newly planted areas, water deeply, about one inch of water per week to keep plants healthy and to prevent soil erosion. Water in the early morning to prevent evaporation.
 - Consider using two types of grass within the parks, a cool season athletic mix turf grass for active play areas, such as ball fields and picnic areas,

- and a native cool season grass such as Canada rye in place of Kentucky bluegrass and fescue in other areas of the park.
- Mow high (about 3" or no more than one-third of the blade of grass) in earlier morning hours, leaving grass clippings on the turf. Longer blades of grass tend to grow deeper roots helping to avoid erosion and obtaining more moisture and nutrients from the soil.
- Include large drifts of native grasses and flower areas in parks, especially around water bodies to protect water quality, provide seasonal color and texture, enhance wildlife habitat and deter geese populations.
- Include a controlled burn approach to maintaining native landscapes within parks. Controlled burns should be performed only by trained personnel.
- Incorporate natural storm water-control measures within the parks such as rain gardens, grass swales and additional planting of trees around parking and other hard surface areas to reduce site run-off.
- Reduce the use of pesticides, herbicides or other chemically treated products such as wood products, whenever possible due to their impacts on water quality and wildlife habitat. When needed, especially in the case of invasive plant species control, they should be applied only by trained personnel and care should be taken to ensure proper use and storage.
- Turf grass on ball fields and soccer fields will be mowed 2x/week during the seasons when needed. All other turf grass areas will be mowed 1x/week as time and weather permit.

Goal: Community Partnership and Cooperation

Recommendations

- Solicit public evaluation of parks, facilities, and trail maintenance from the public using periodic surveys and online feedback via a Park and Trail web page or comment/suggestion boxes placed in the parks system.
- Use community volunteer resources to assist in park beautification projects, e.g., rain gardens, restoration projects, invasive species control and installation of signage, new playground structures, etc. These types of activities bring community members together, especially in neighborhood park settings and can create a sense of ownership that will last.
- Create volunteer recognition programs to acknowledge groups or community members for their service.
- Educate the public on the aesthetics and benefits of sustainable park landscapes using brochures, fact sheets, the City website, and/or City newsletters and signage.
- Cooperate with various transportation agencies and departments to implement the Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Plan.

Goal: Capital Improvements

Recommendations

- Routine maintenance generally consists of the repair and upkeep of existing park facilities (such as painting a shelter building), does not appreciably increase the value of the park, and is traditionally funded through the Park Department's operations budget.
- Capital improvements, on the other hand, are the addition of labor and materials that improve the overall value and usefulness of a park (such as upgrading a restroom facility to be barrier-free), often designated and funded individually through segregated municipal funds.
- Generally, capital improvements are ranked in the following manner:
 - Improvements to Existing Facilities:
 - Correct health and safety hazards
 - Upgrade deficient facilities, including accessibility-related deficiencies
 - Modernize adequate but outdated facilities
 - Development of new facilities as deemed appropriate and necessary through public demand (public meetings, Park and Recreation Committee input, expected population growth).

Goal: Expansion with City Growth

Recommendations

- Acquire additional parklands as appropriate to meet current and future recreational needs per the recommendations of the City's Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.
- Actively generate funds for park and recreation programs and park development. Revenue generating options:
 - Impact fees
 - Payment in lieu of dedication of parkland
 - Grants and donations
- Establish a "Friends of Appleton Parks" group in order to raise funds for park development.

Maintenance Guidelines

Landscape

Planting Type		Annual Maintenance Schedule						
		Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	At 2 Years	At 5 Years	At 10+ Years
Trees and Shrubs						Only prune lower branches that will create a hazard. Trees should not be staked unless absolutely necessary.	Selectively replace shrubs that have overgrown.	Replace shrubs that have become overgrown.
Planting New/Replacement			X	X	X			
Fertilizer	Only when needed							
Mulch		X	X	X				
Pest Control (only as needed)		X	X					
Plant Repair	X	X	X	X		Renewal prune woody shrubs to improve shape.	DO NOT SHEAR SHRUBS.	
Pruning	X	X	X	X	DO NOT SHEAR SHRUBS.			
						Pruning should be done only by trained personnel.		
Perennials/Ornamental Grasses							Divide existing plants to keep them healthy and maintain shape.	Divide existing plants to keep them healthy and maintain shape.
Planting New/Replacement			X	X	X	In areas where establishment is unsuccessful, amend soil and replant.	Replace dead plant material. Change plant species in cases of major die-outs.	Replace dead plant material. Change plant species in cases of major die-outs.

Planting Type		Annual Maintenance Schedule					
	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	At 2 Years	At 5 Years	At 10+ Years
Aeration		April		Sept.	Re-grade sections that may have become “bumpy”. Remove lawn from area around tree trunks.		Complete major renovation of turf areas designated for active sports such as ball fields, soccer fields, etc.
Mowing		X	X	X			
Re-sodding		X	X	X			
Re-seeding (over-seeding)				X			
Weed control (only as needed)		X		X			
Fertilization		X		X			
Naturalized Areas							
Planting		X		X	Weeding/burns and general management is critical during the first three years of establishment. The goal is to have minimal contact in subsequent years to reduce impact to wildlife habitat. ONLY BURN IN NATIVE GRASS & FLOWER AREAS. Most trees and shrubs cannot typically survive this method of weed control.	Plant species selection should be modified based on success rates.	Long-term management should consider wildlife habitat quality. Plant species selection should be modified based on success rates and aesthetic quality. Replace plants or re-seed as needed.

Funding Programs

The identification of existing and potential funding programs is included to help City officials in the implementation phase of the plan. Funding sources are available in a variety of forms such as bonds, donations, federal and state grants, and loans. Further information can be obtained from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Community Services Specialist for the appropriate state district. It should be noted that although it is desirable to acquire funding sources from grants and other non-local sources, the City should also consider its ability to:

- submit the necessary grant application materials
- administer the grant
- maintain the necessary documentation as required by the grant
- fund any required match
- maintain the improvement or program
- accept any long-term obligations or restrictions on the city property where the funding is used.

Potential Funding Sources

STATE OF WISCONSIN GRANTS:
WI Department of Natural Resources (DNR)
Acquisition & Development of Local Parks (Stewardship)
Acquisition of Development Rights (Stewardship)
All-Terrain Vehicle Trails
Aquatic Invasive Species Control Grants (now Surface Waters Grant)
Boat Patrol Grants
Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) Program
Clean Water Fund Program
County Snowmobile Enforcement Patrols
Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration
Friends of State Parks (Stewardship)
Gypsy Moth Suppression Program
Habitat Area (Stewardship)
Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program Grants (Multiple)
Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)*
Surface Water Grants
Municipal Flood Control
Municipal Water Safety Patrols State Assistance
Natural Areas (Stewardship)
Targeted Runoff Management Grant Program
Recreational Boating Facilities Grant Program
Recreational Trails Program
River Protection and Planning Grant Programs
Sport Fish Restoration (SFR)

Snowmobile Trail Aids
State Trails (Stewardship)
Streambank Protection (Stewardship)
Urban Forestry Assistance Grants
Urban Green Space Program (Stewardship)
Urban Non-Point Source and Storm Water Grant Program
Urban Rivers Grant Program (Stewardship)
WI Economic Development Corporation (WEDC)
Brownfields Grant Program
Brownfield Site Assessment Grant
Community Development Investment Grant
Community Based Economic Development Program (Multiple)
Community Development Block Grants (Multiple)
WI Department of Administration (DOA)
Coastal Management Grants
WI Department of Transportation (DOT)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Program
Harbor Assistance Program
Local Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program
Safe Routes to School Grant Program (SRTS)
Surface Transportation Program – Urban
Transportation Economic Assistance (TEA)
Wisconsin State Infrastructure Bank (Loan Program)
FEDERAL GRANTS:
US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
US Department of the Interior
National Park Service Land & Water Conservation Fund
US Environmental Protection Agency
Brownfield Clean Up Grant
Clean Water State Revolving Fund
EPA Environmental Education Grant Program
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative
US Fish and Wildlife Service
State Wildlife Grants Program
North American Wetlands Conservation Fund
PRIVATE/NON-PROFIT GRANTS:
American Academy of Dermatology
AAD Shade Structure Grant Program
Bikes Belong Coalition
Bikes Belong Grant Program
Eastman Kodak, etc.
Kodak American Greenways Program
Dr Pepper Snapple & KaBOOM!
Let's Play Imagination Playground Grant

Major League Baseball
MLB Baseball Tomorrow Fund
Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin
C.D. Besadny Conservation Grant (small grants only)
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program
Bring Back the Natives
Sustain our Great Lakes Program
US Soccer Foundation
US Soccer Foundation Grant

Eligibility

“Eligible local governments are only those towns, cities, counties, and tribal governments that have a Department approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan or Master Plan which has been approved by resolution by the local governing unit or a plan of a higher unit of government. Local governments with qualifying plans receive eligibility to apply for grants for five years.”

Source: (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>)

*Of interest, according to the Wisconsin SCORP, Outagamie County was awarded a total of \$954,018 in Land and Water Conservation Fund monies for 39 projects between 1965 and 2017.

Eligible Projects

In general eligible project include land acquisition, development, and renovation projects for “nature-based outdoor recreation” purposes. Decisions by the department (DNR) as to whether a particular project activity is “nature-based outdoor recreation” are made on a case by case basis.

1. Acquisition of a conservation easement (including the acquisition of development rights) that enhances or provides nature-based outdoor recreation. Because of the complexity of easements, the department has developed separate guidelines, including a model easement to explain the requirements for eligibility for Stewardship funding. Contact your DNR region Community Service Specialist for additional information.
2. Land purchases
 - To preserve scenic or natural areas, including areas of physical or biological importance and wildlife areas. These areas shall be open to the general public for outdoor recreation use to the extent that the natural attributes of the areas will not be seriously impaired or lost.
 - Within urban areas for such uses as open natural space, undeveloped play areas, bicycling trails, walking and horseback riding trails, and day-use picnic areas.
 - That preserve or restore urban rivers or riverfronts for the purposes of economic revitalization and nature based outdoor recreation activities.
3. Development and renovation projects for the purpose of nature-based outdoor recreation – e.g., trails, camping areas, picnic areas, water recreation areas, and

educational facilities where there is a permanent professional naturalist staff and the facilities are for nature interpretation, etc.

4. Development and renovation of support facilities for the above – e.g., access roads, parking areas, restroom facilities, utility and sanitation systems, permanent landscaping, park signs, fences and lighting for the protection of park users, etc.
5. Shoreline habitat restoration projects that serve public recreation or resource conservation purposes and is dependent on being on a shoreline.
6. Riparian buffer rehabilitation including establishment of native vegetation, which may include slope and site preparation, and control of exotic plant species.
7. Shoreline stabilization, which may employ bioengineering practices, and other environmentally beneficial stabilization techniques.

Source: (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>)

Ineligible Projects

1. Land acquired through condemnation by the applicant; development of facilities on lands that were acquired through condemnation by the applicant.
2. Purchasing land for and development of recreation areas that are not related to nature-based outdoor recreation – e.g., sports that require extensively developed open space such as dedicated sports fields, swimming pools, tennis courts, playgrounds, skateboard parks, hockey rinks, indoor horse arenas, golf courses, and motorized recreation.
3. Lands dedicated through a local park land dedication ordinance.
4. Restoration or preservation of historic structures.
5. Buildings primarily devoted to operation and maintenance.
6. Indoor recreation facilities.
7. Construction or repair of seawalls, dams and lagoons.
8. Construction of lodges, motels, luxury cabins or similar facilities.
9. Environmental remediation or clean-up of site contamination.

Source: (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>)

Please see *Appendix F: WI DNR 2019 Grant Program Guidance* for more information on Stewardship Local Assistance Grants, Federal Land & Water Conservation Program, and Federal Recreational Trails program assistance.

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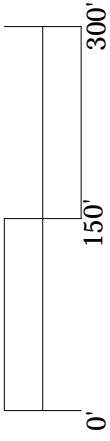
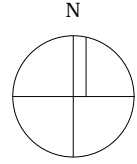
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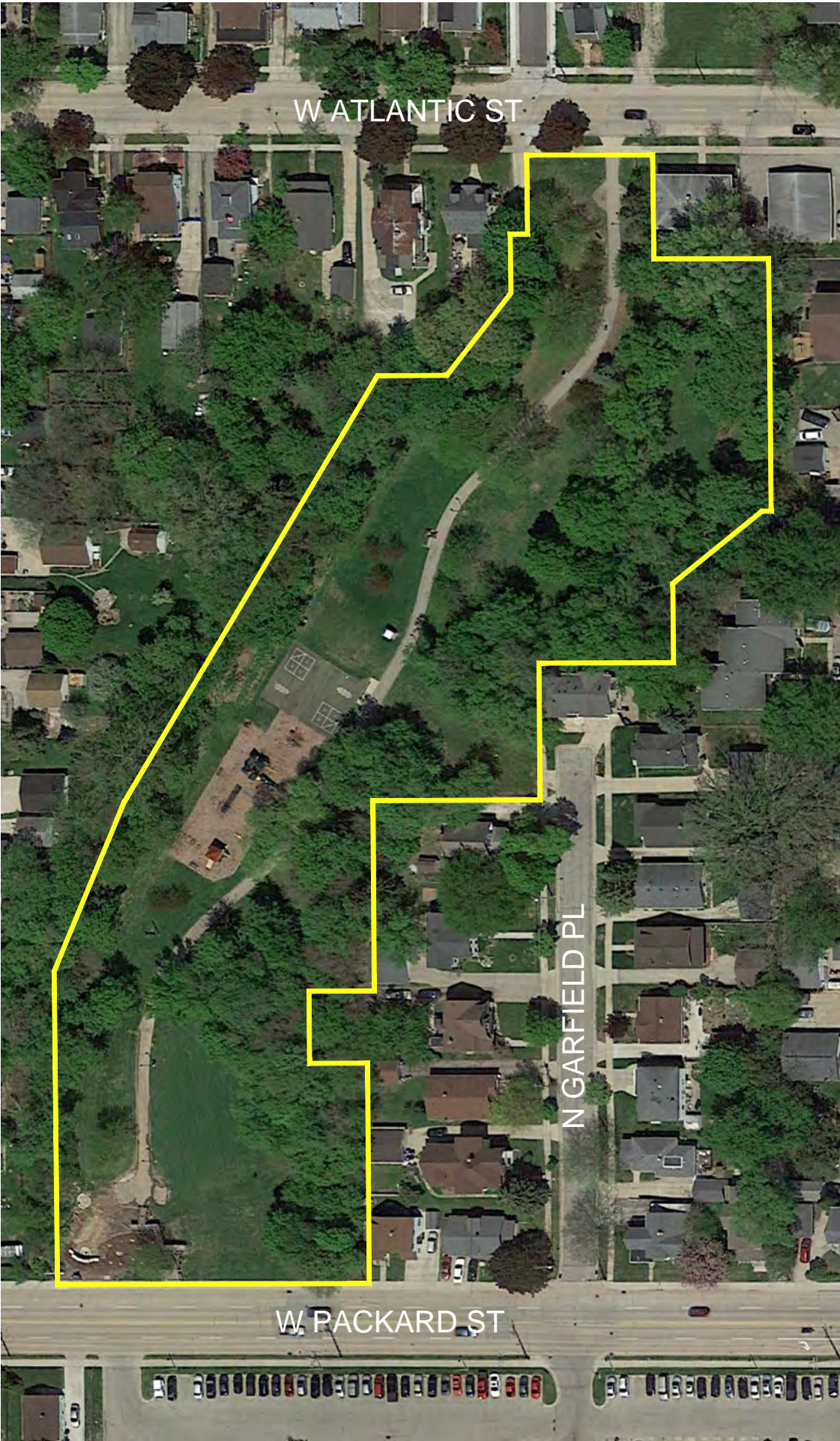


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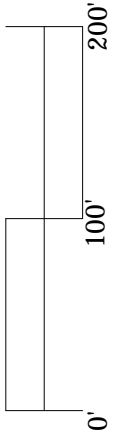
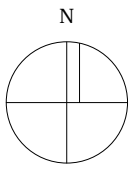
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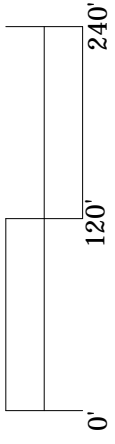
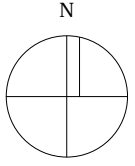
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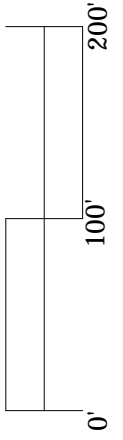
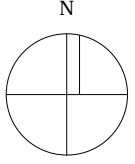


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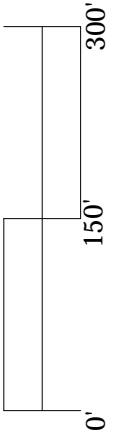
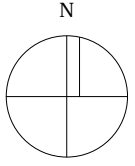
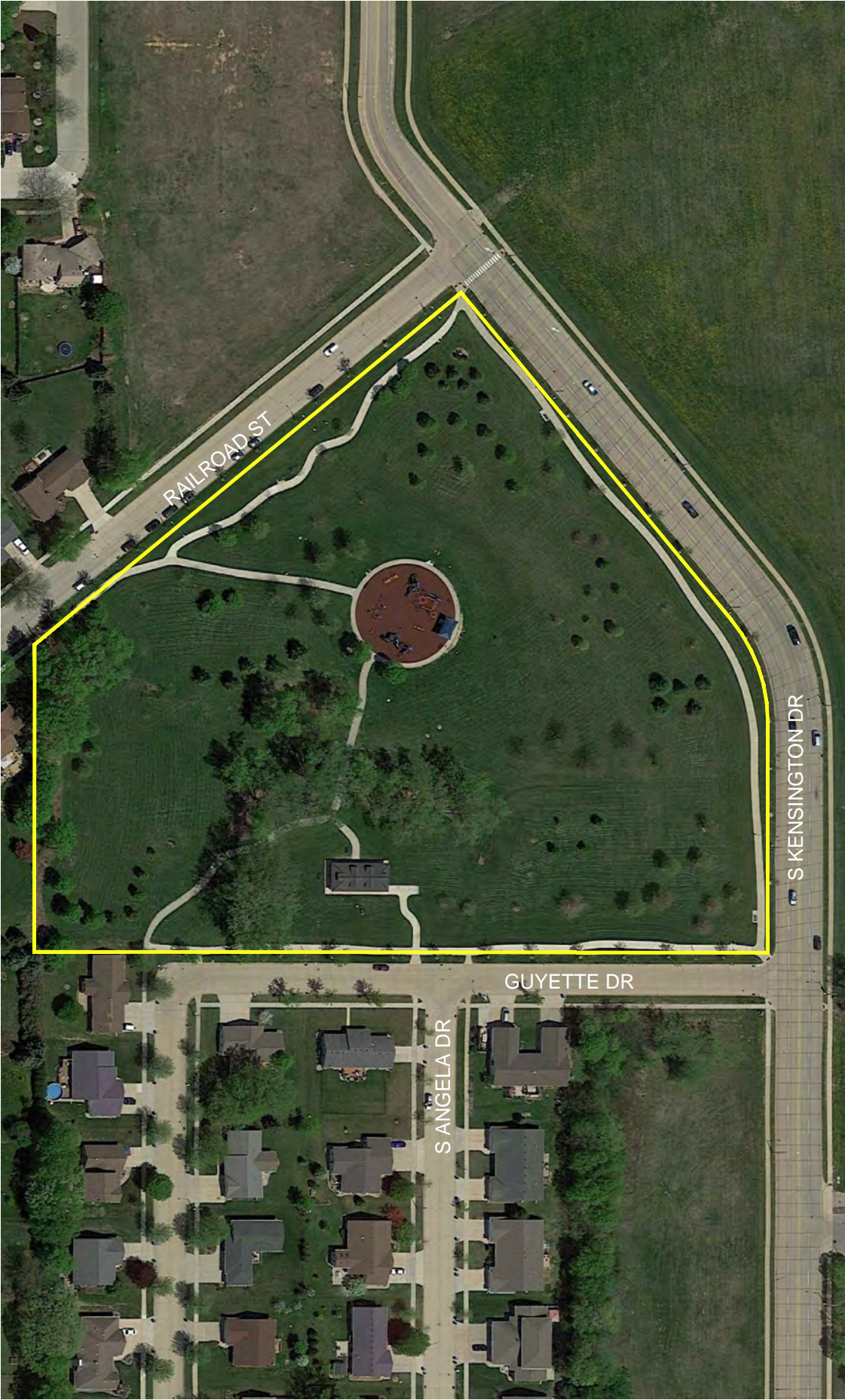


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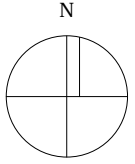
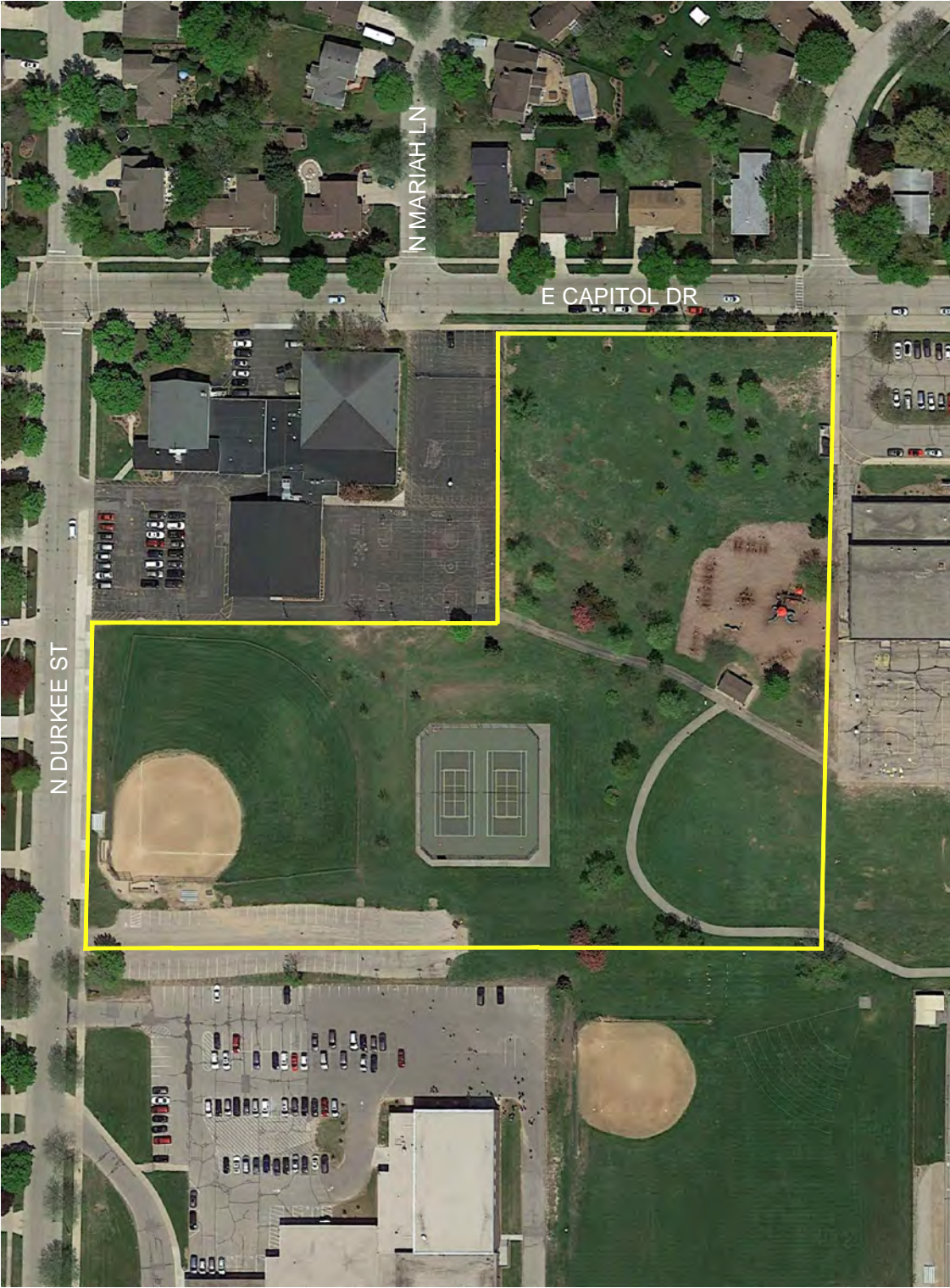


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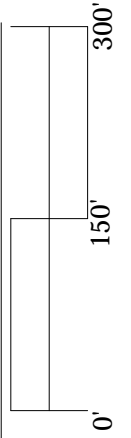
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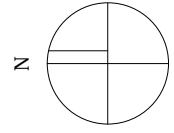
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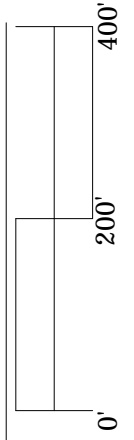
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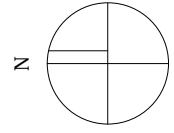
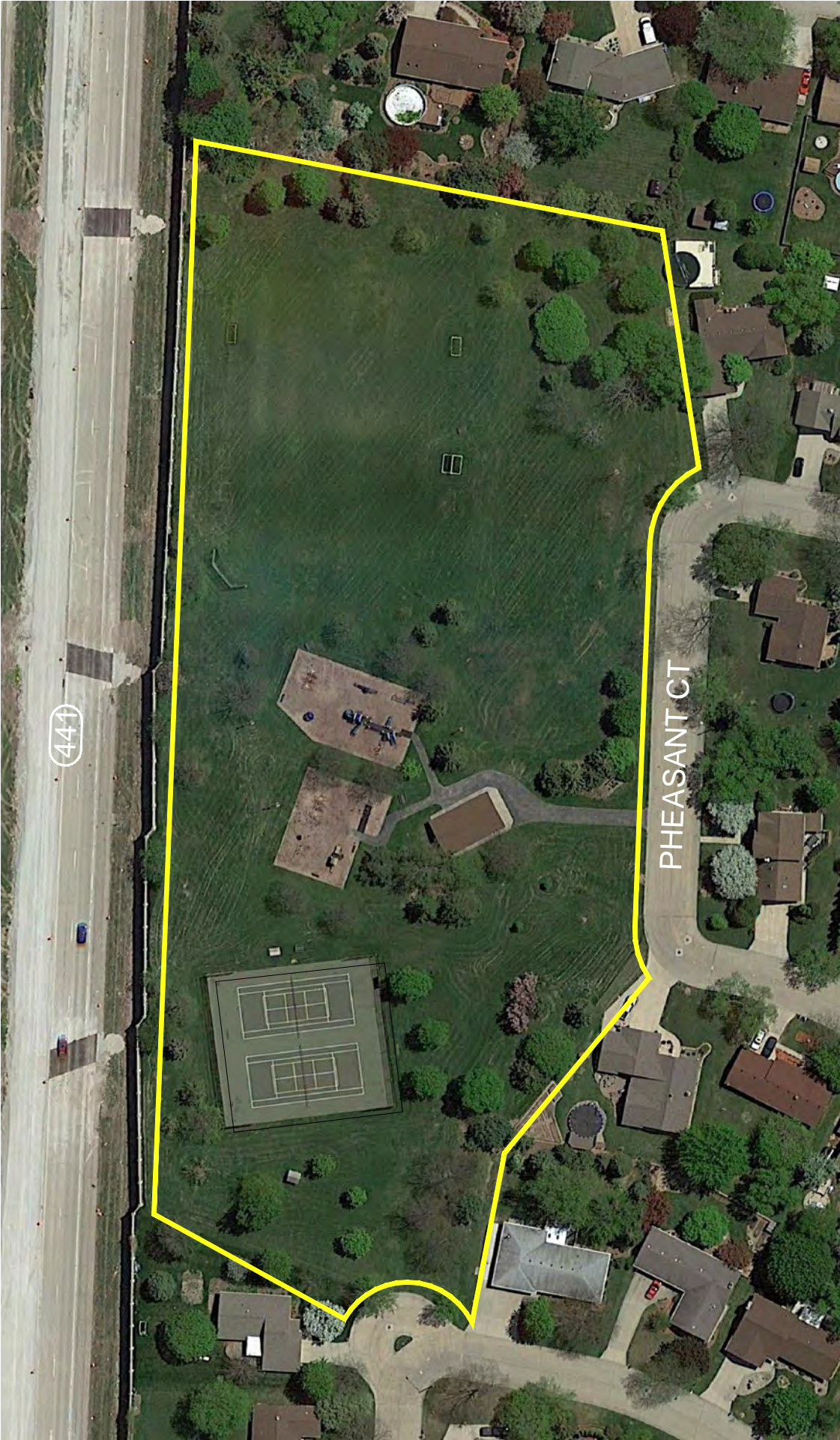




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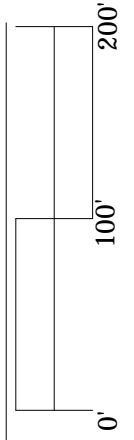
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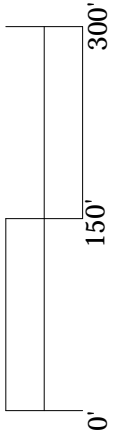
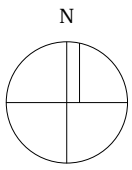




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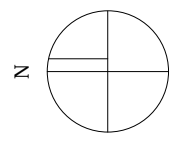
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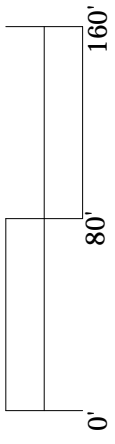
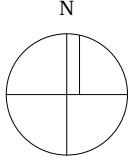
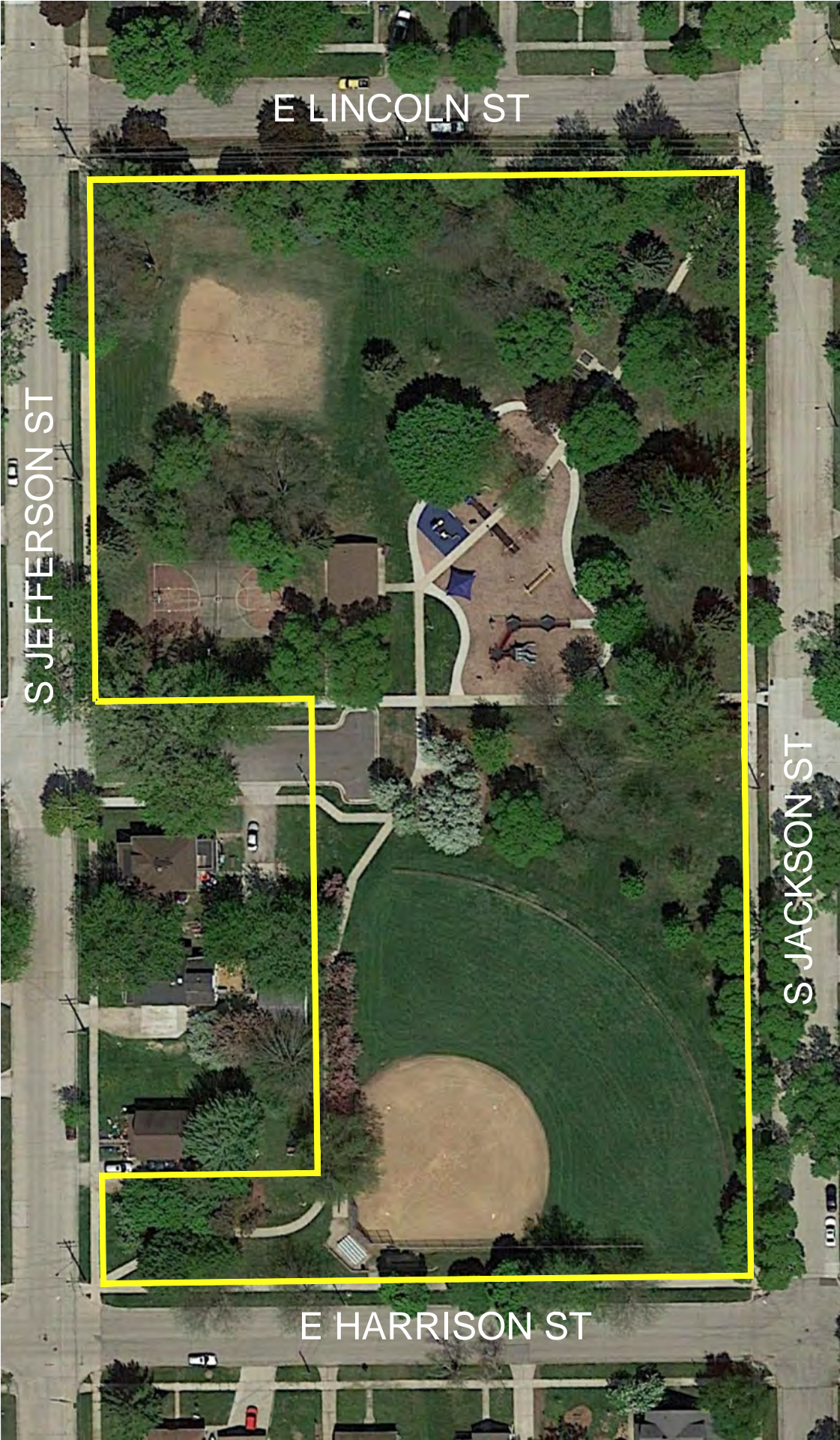
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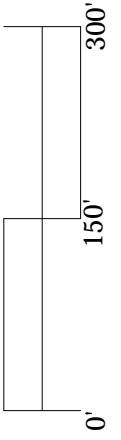
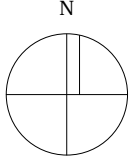
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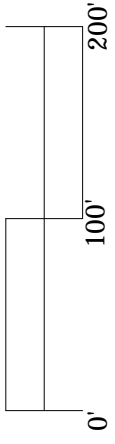
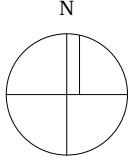


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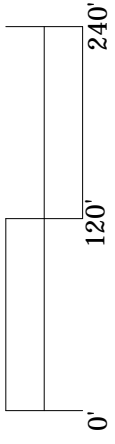
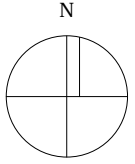
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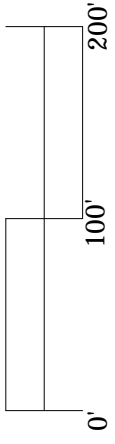
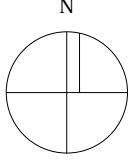
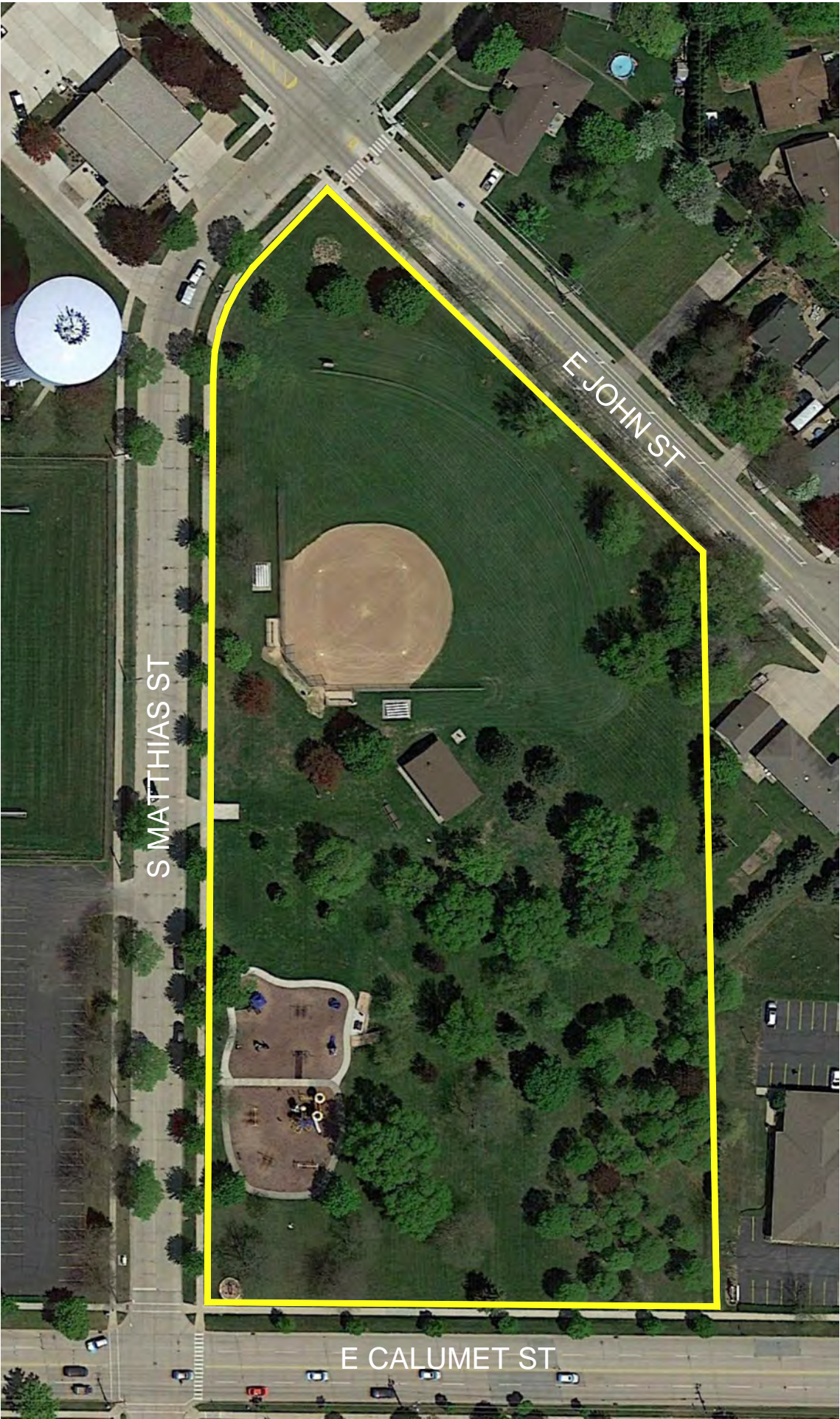
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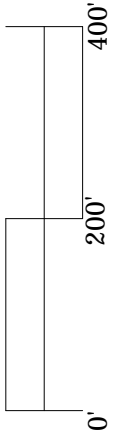
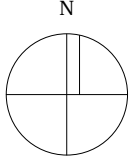
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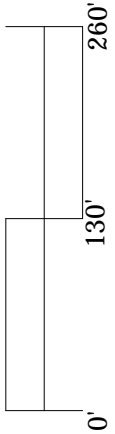
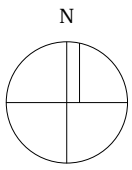


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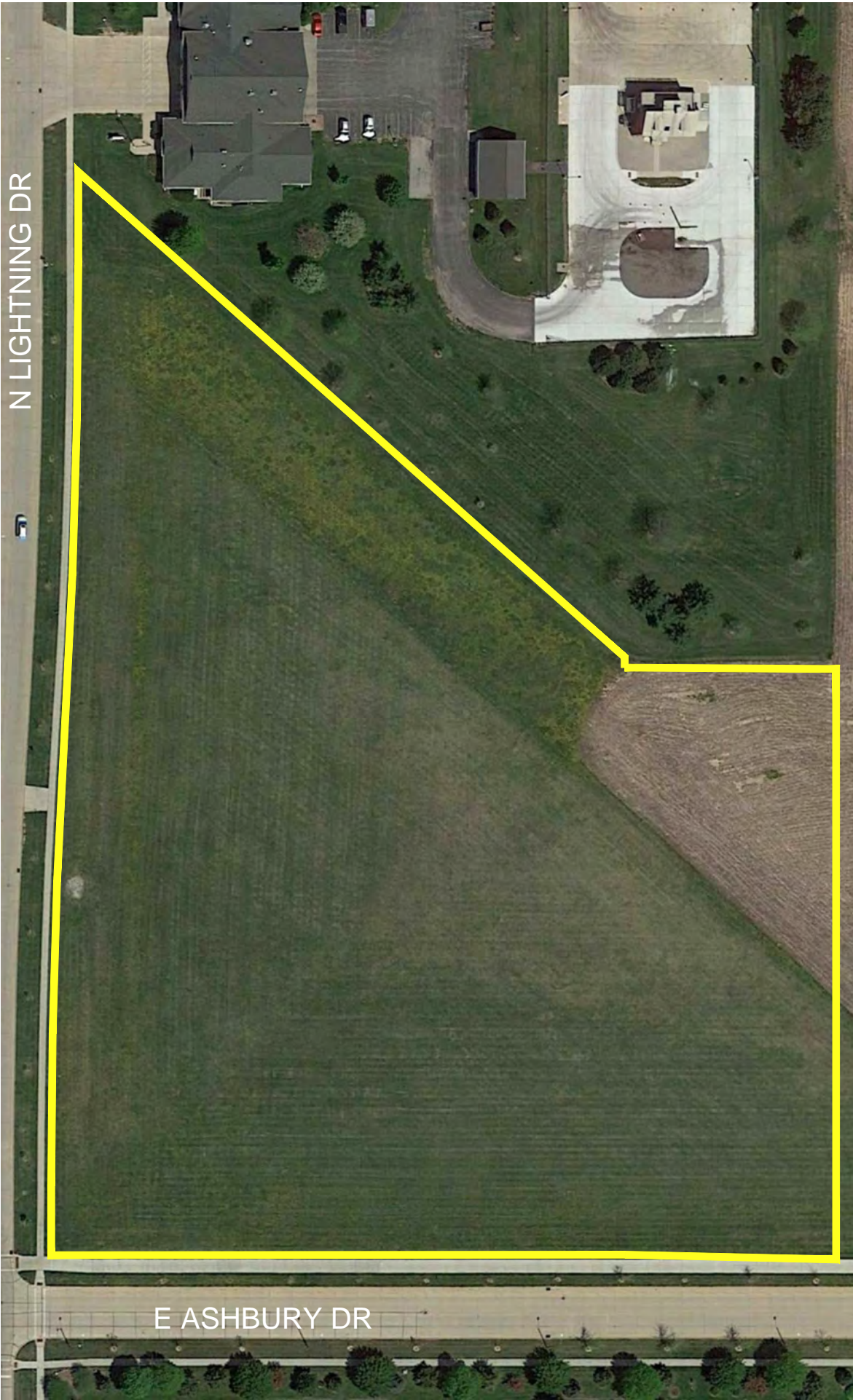
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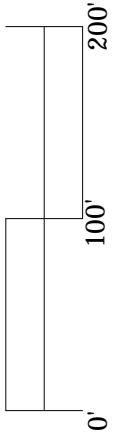
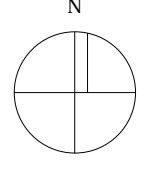
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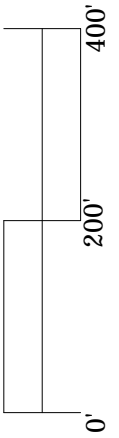
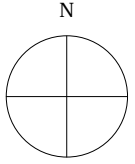
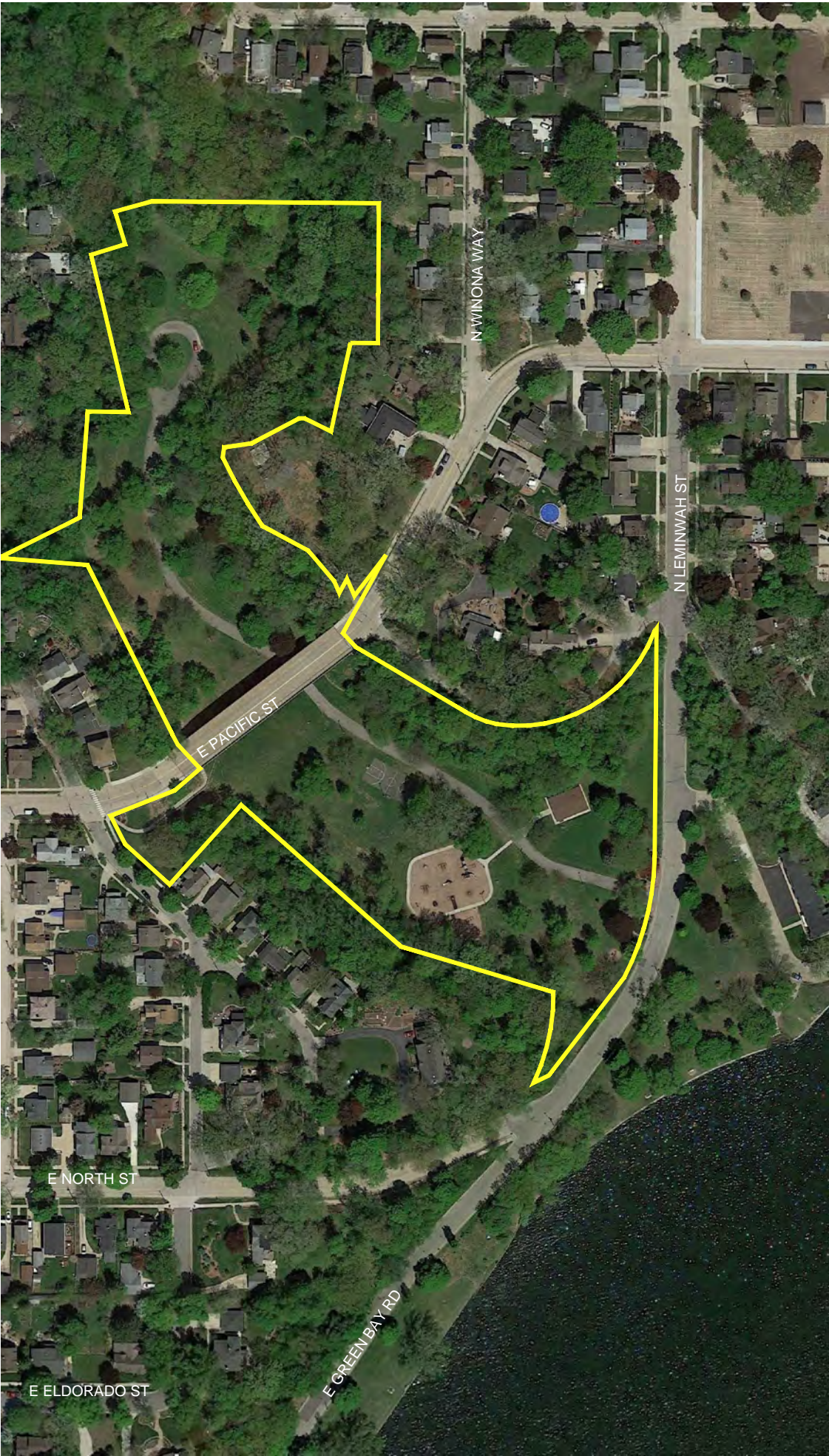
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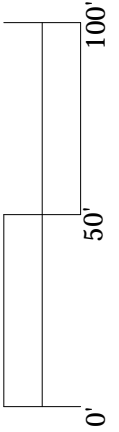
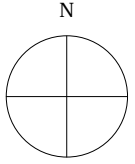
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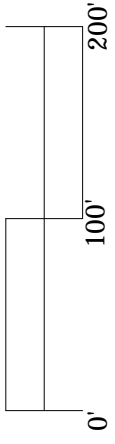
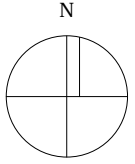


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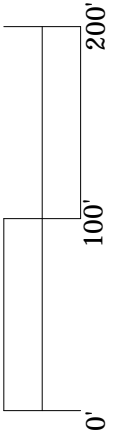
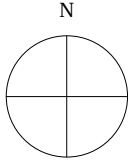
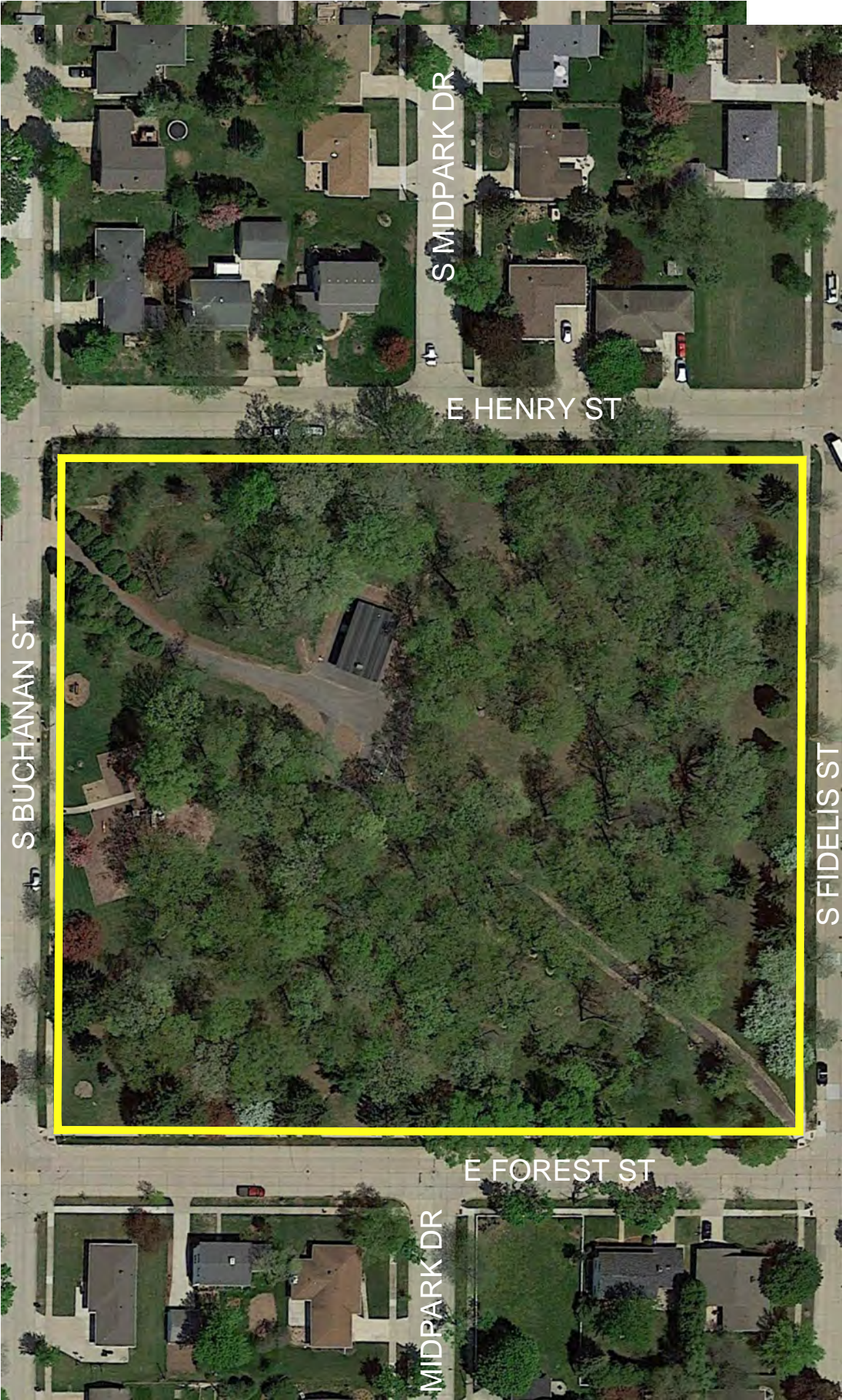
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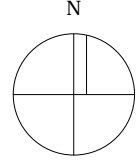
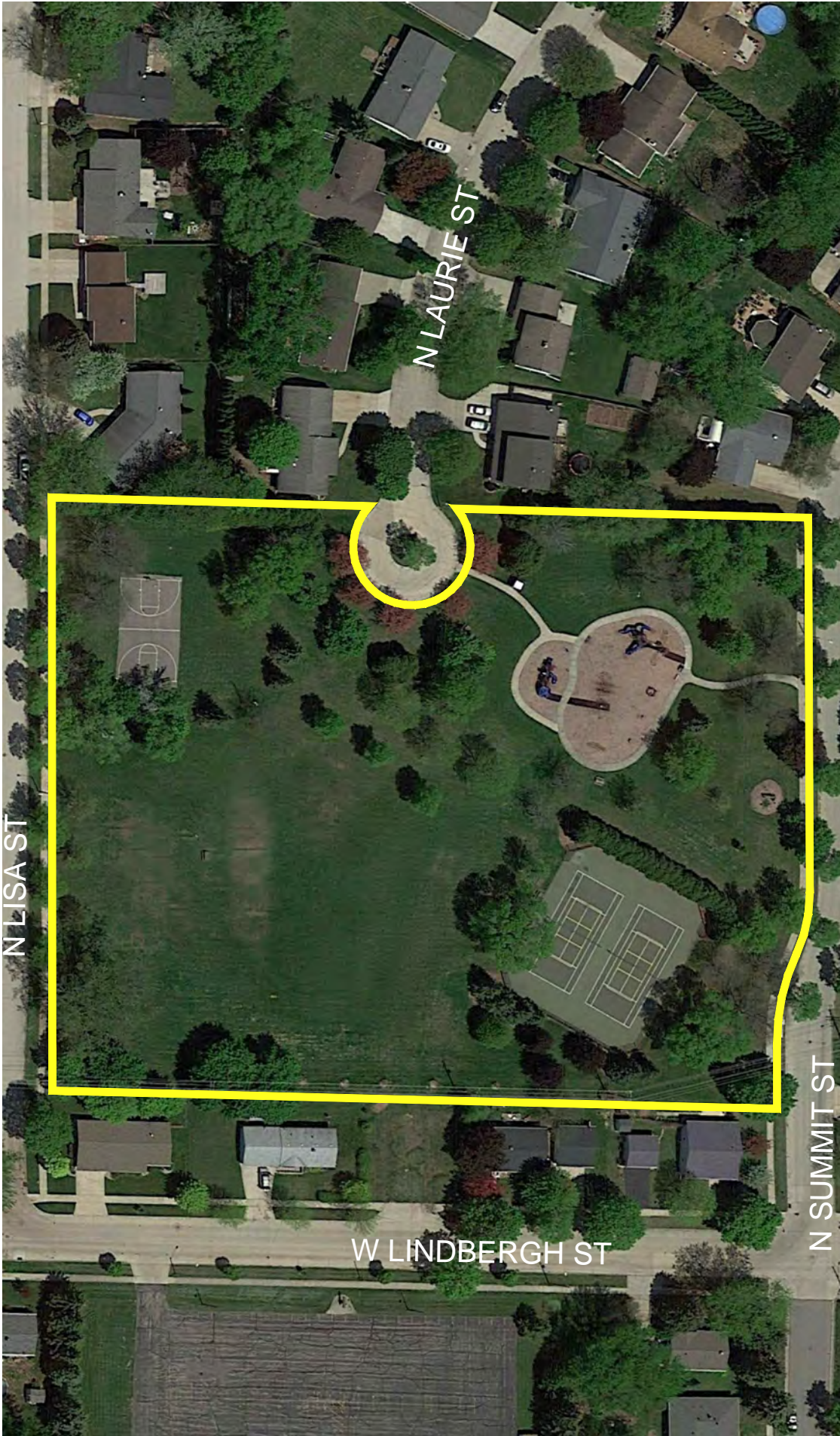
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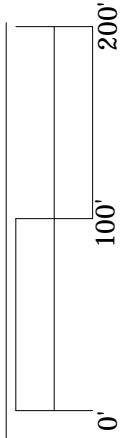
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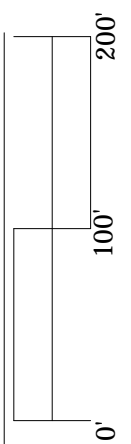
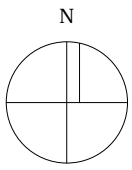
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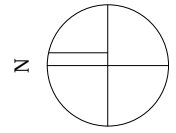
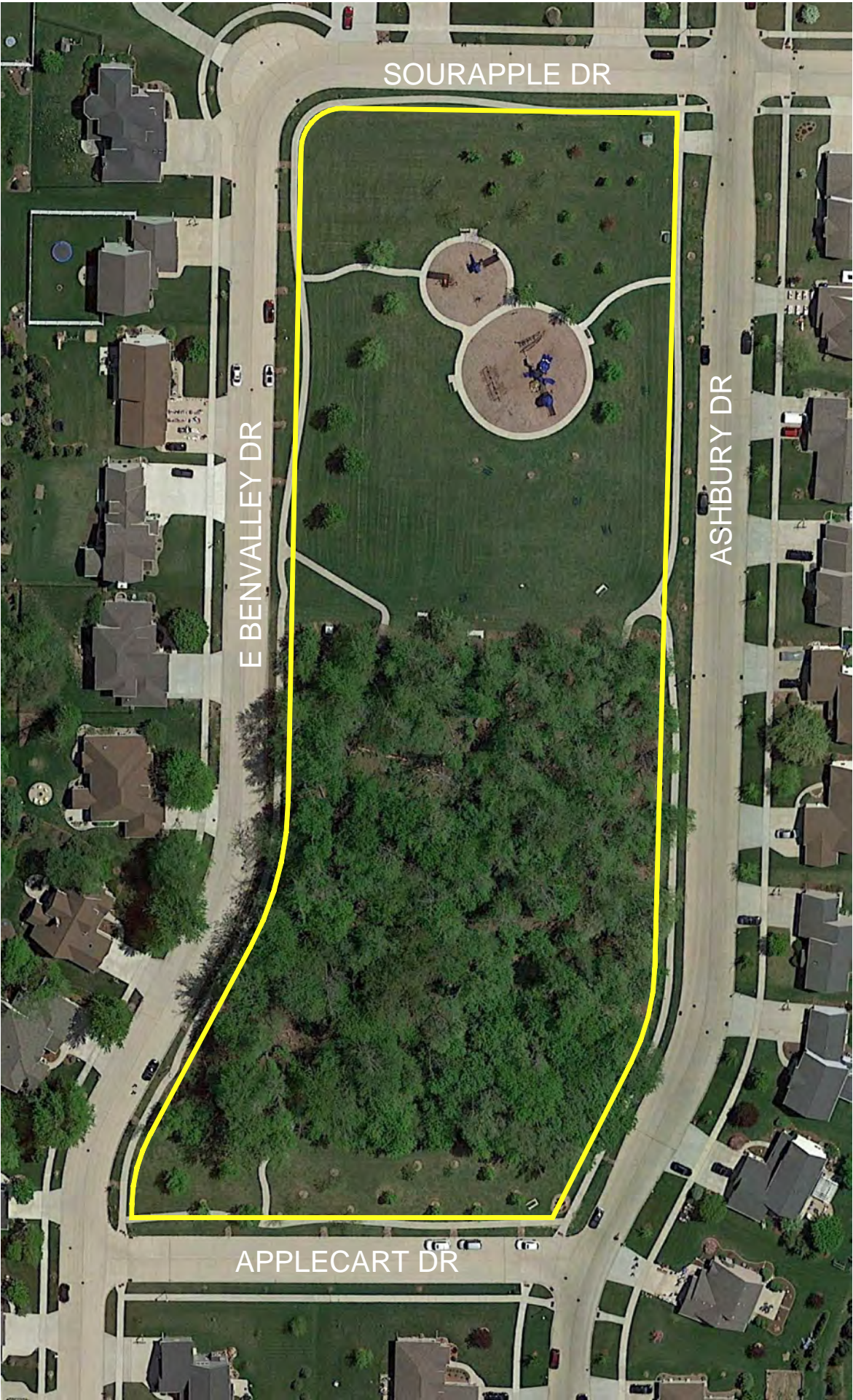


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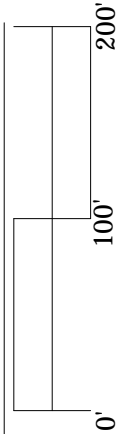


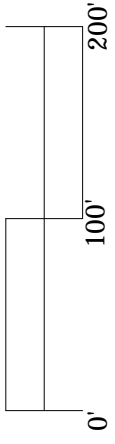
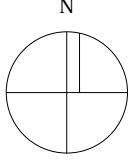
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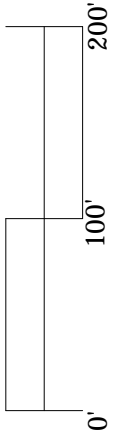
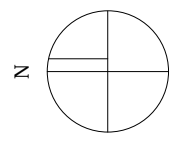
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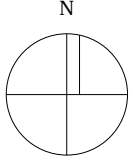
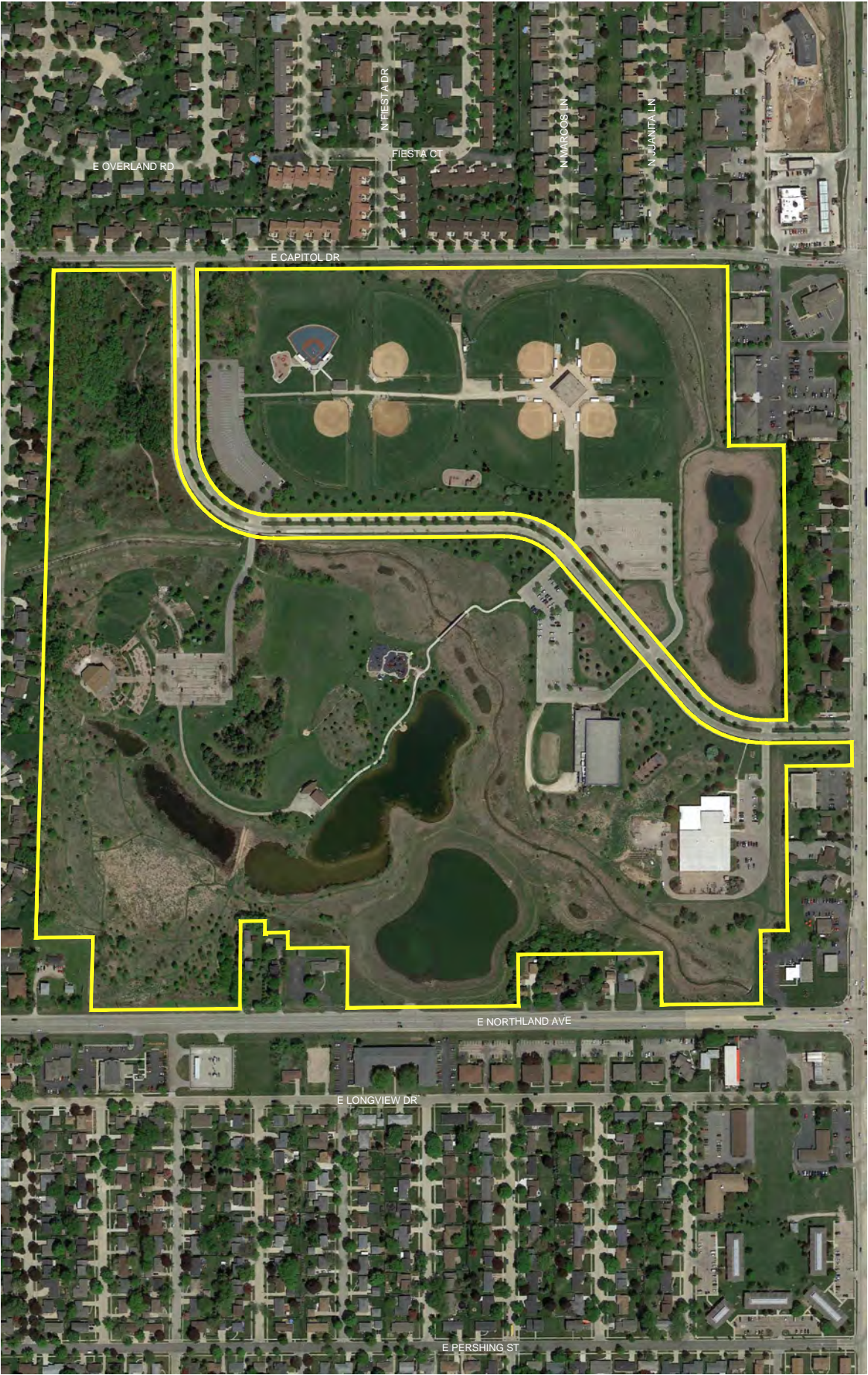
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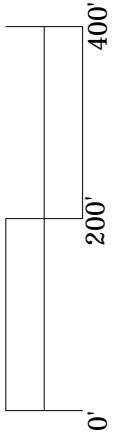
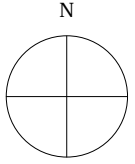
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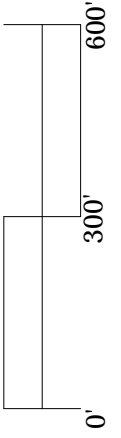
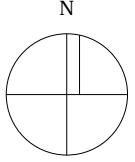
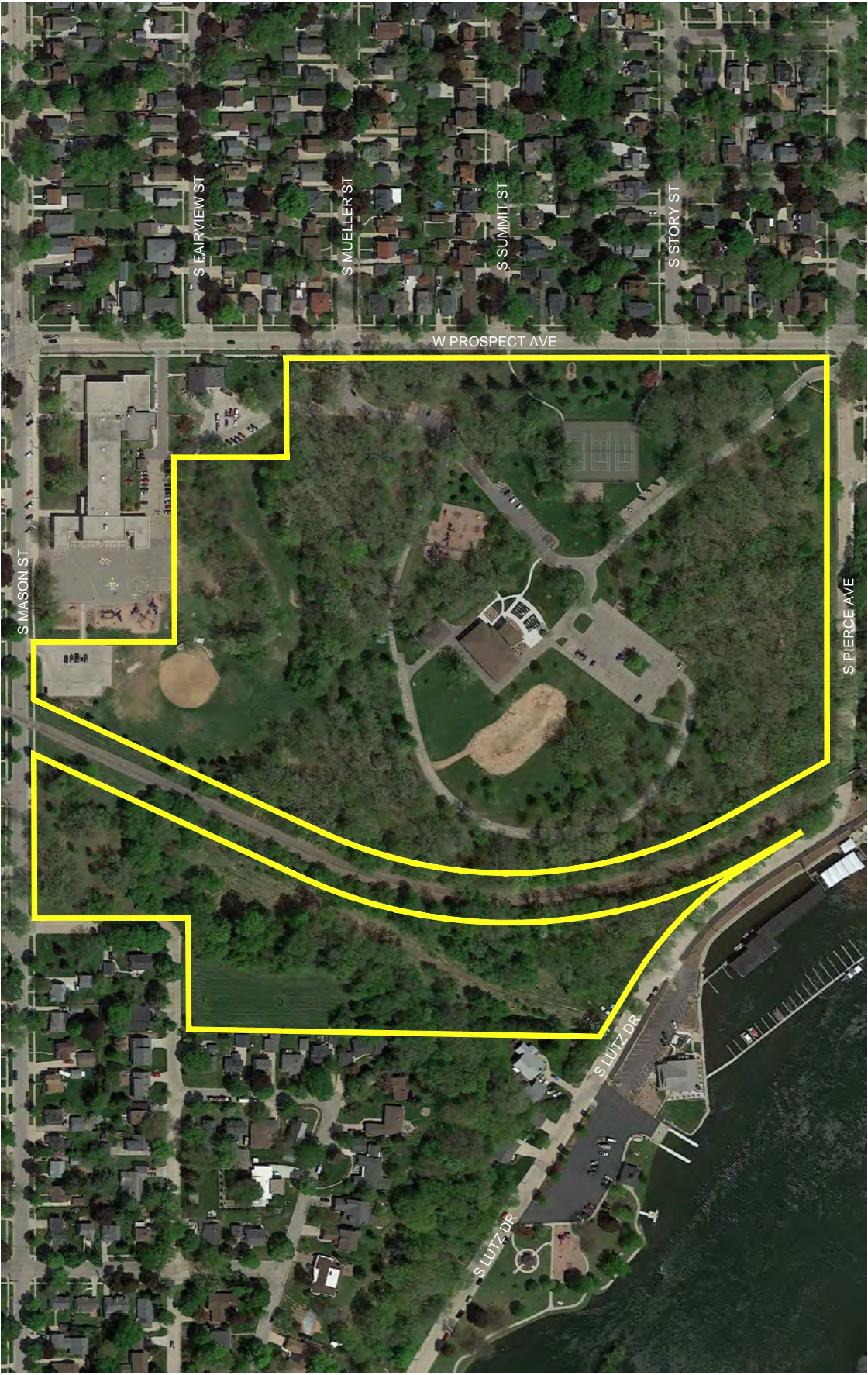


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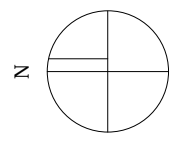


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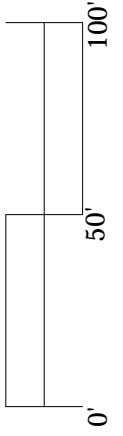
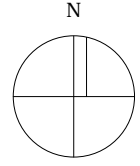
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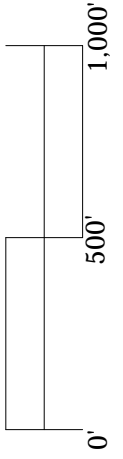
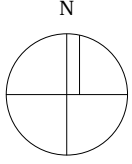


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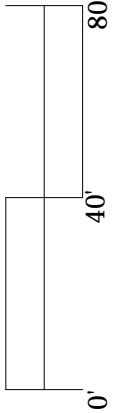
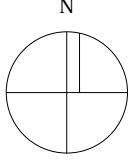
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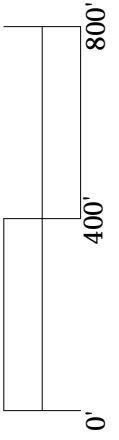
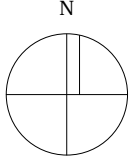
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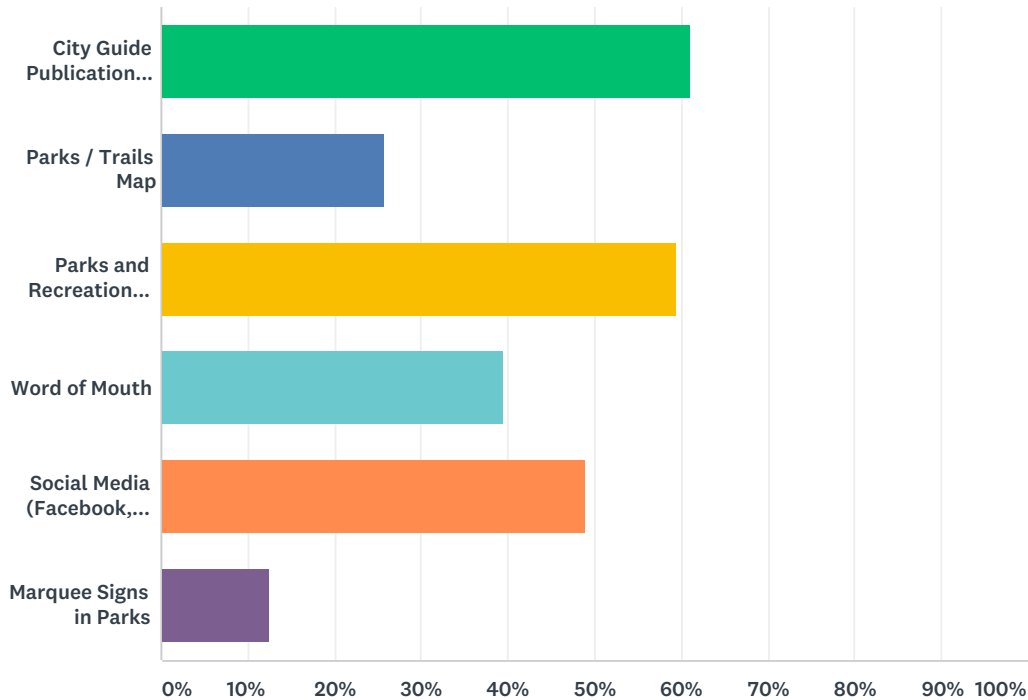
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Appendix A: Community Survey and Responses



Q1 How do you obtain information about Appleton park facilities? (choose all that apply)

Answered: 380 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City Guide Publication (mailed twice a year)	61.05%	232
Parks / Trails Map	25.79%	98
Parks and Recreation Website	59.47%	226
Word of Mouth	39.47%	150
Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)	48.95%	186
Marquee Signs in Parks	12.63%	48
Total Respondents: 380		

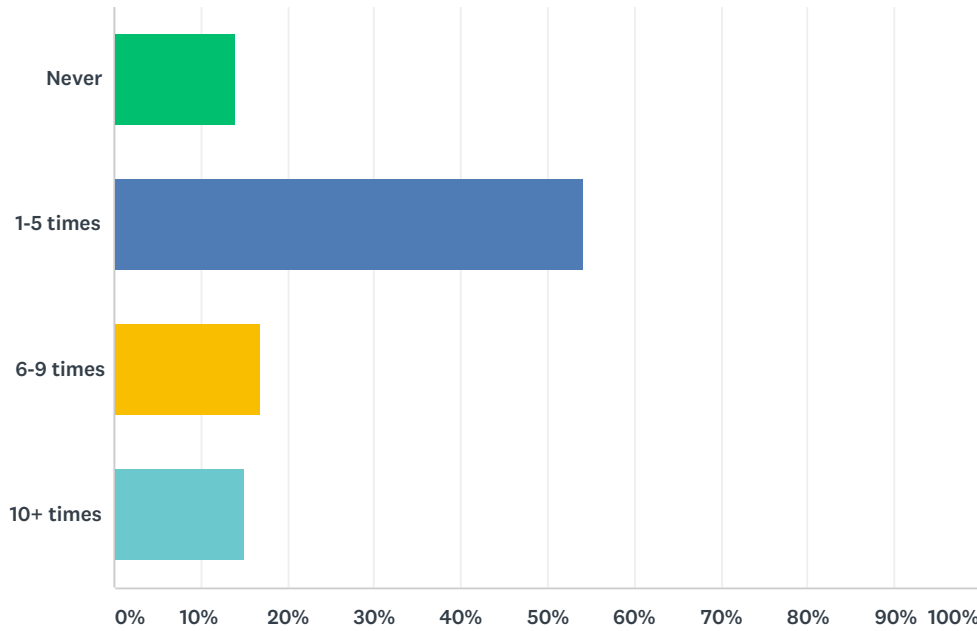
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	govalleykids.com	10/17/2018 9:37 AM
2	Gwen at the apeton bikeshop	10/16/2018 10:15 PM
3	Google	10/16/2018 4:52 PM
4	Email list of players	10/15/2018 9:15 PM
5	flyers	10/13/2018 5:05 PM
6	Website	10/10/2018 8:59 PM
7	Events held at parks	10/9/2018 9:08 AM
8	visiting parks in PERSON!	10/8/2018 8:23 PM

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9	WHBY radio	10/8/2018 7:32 PM
10	APRD emails	10/8/2018 1:32 PM
11	Email	10/8/2018 1:16 PM
12	Google courts available for Pickleball	10/8/2018 1:11 PM

Q2 How many times in the past 12 months have you accessed the Parks and Recreation website to gain information on parks or park services?

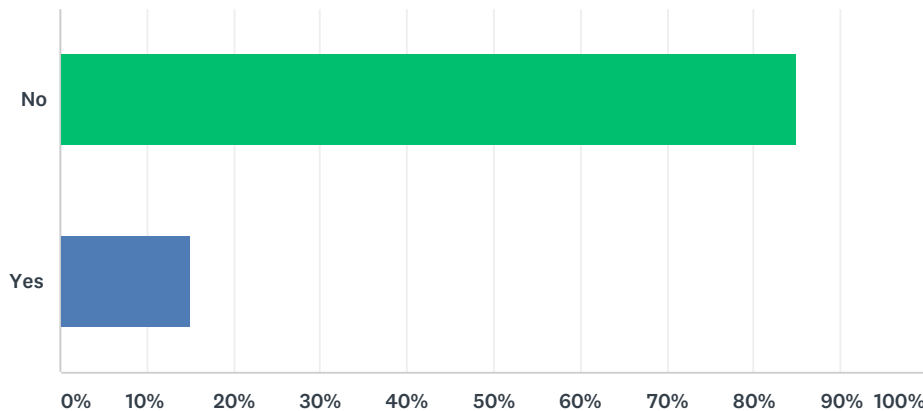
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Never	13.95%	53
1-5 times	54.21%	206
6-9 times	16.84%	64
10+ times	15.00%	57
TOTAL		380

Q3 Is there any park related information that you would like to see on the website that is not currently there?

Answered: 380 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
No	85.00% 323
Yes	15.00% 57
TOTAL	380

#	(IF YES, PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Fee information	10/29/2018 11:29 PM
2	Dog policy Smoking policy	10/29/2018 9:28 PM
3	More history	10/27/2018 8:16 AM
4	Updated pictures of the parks, specifically the playgrounds/pavilion areas	10/25/2018 1:41 PM
5	More pictures of neighborhood parks	10/24/2018 7:21 PM
6	More information on USA Sports Complex	10/22/2018 8:23 PM
7	Schedule of events per park, list of park rules	10/18/2018 2:45 PM
8	Online Pool Reservation Process	10/18/2018 9:26 AM
9	Maps of trails	10/17/2018 6:44 AM
10	Map	10/16/2018 10:21 PM
11	Yes open play times/contact info for Pickleball play	10/16/2018 6:15 PM
12	Pickle ball availability	10/16/2018 5:48 PM
13	Recreation and Programs for Special Needs	10/16/2018 5:34 PM
14	Pickleball courts information	10/16/2018 4:04 PM
15	Pool opening and closing dates. Along with hours of operation.	10/16/2018 11:37 AM
16	anything about pickleball	10/16/2018 10:26 AM
17	New information on updates or up coming ideas. Would also like to see guide on free classes on playing tennis disk golf and baskets ball and other sports thatd get the community coming out more.	10/16/2018 9:30 AM
18	make the hours of use more clear	10/16/2018 9:27 AM

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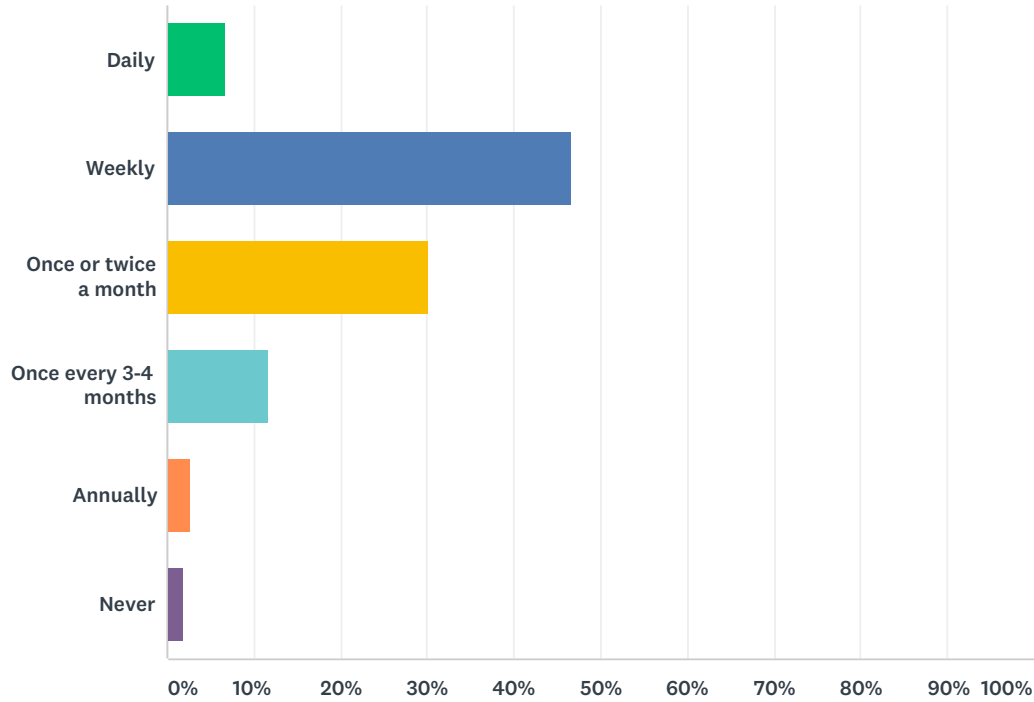
19	Community bicycle rides	10/16/2018 9:24 AM
20	Don't know	10/15/2018 9:15 PM
21	Pickleball free activities	10/15/2018 8:09 PM
22	Pickleball courts	10/15/2018 7:52 PM
23	I just find it hard to navigate. I feel like I spend a lot of time trying to find information	10/15/2018 5:36 PM
24	Which parks have porta potties and when/dates. (When the regular bathrooms close for the winter.)	10/15/2018 2:37 PM
25	Which ones have snow clearing and which ones are lighted.	10/15/2018 2:35 PM
26	Bathroom information. Especially is some are closed during the winter. When will water be shut off, etc.	10/15/2018 2:18 PM
27	If there are trails, I would like a map of the park online.	10/15/2018 1:19 PM
28	More pictures of the playground equipment at each park.	10/15/2018 10:22 AM
29	Not sure, never used it	10/14/2018 6:04 AM
30	More description of the park features/amenities, instead of a simple list. Maybe a linked list to allow you to drill down for more information, e.g. walking or biking could be a link that shows trail maps, type of trail, photos, etc.	10/13/2018 4:13 PM
31	In the park descriptions, list which parks are hosting things through the summer (playground activities, fairs, etc). This is currently listed in the park and rec brochure, which is good, but it would be nice to have in both places	10/12/2018 1:30 PM
32	N/A	10/12/2018 1:23 PM
33	Probably.....	10/11/2018 10:05 PM
34	Price for rental, description	10/11/2018 7:41 PM
35	Specific tab or scroll down menu for tennis court information - which parks have tennis courts, which are lighted, how many courts in each park, what are the rules for use of the courts, type of court surface, who specifically to contact at the city with questions or concerns about the tennis courts.	10/10/2018 7:15 PM
36	When the parks committee meets	10/9/2018 11:58 AM
37	More photos of park itself (playground, boat launch, kayak launch, picnic areas, bathroom)	10/9/2018 9:08 AM
38	name of instructors for classes	10/9/2018 7:02 AM
39	Ability to post reviews or thumbs up / down of parks.	10/9/2018 5:22 AM
40	It could be easier to navigate.	10/8/2018 9:23 PM
41	Events	10/8/2018 8:30 PM
42	Please explain rules enforced, changed and WHY!	10/8/2018 8:23 PM
43	Picture of pavilion rooms that can be rented	10/8/2018 8:21 PM
44	easy access to current events	10/8/2018 7:32 PM
45	Cancellations to sports	10/8/2018 5:14 PM
46	Better way to find and register for kids programs.	10/8/2018 4:53 PM
47	Guide to walking and biking trails	10/8/2018 4:31 PM
48	tennis courts available, hours and which ones have lights.	10/8/2018 4:29 PM
49	Do you have daily updated trail conditions for CC skiing or snowshoeing? Info on dates and times that park bathrooms are open? Good maps and photos?	10/8/2018 3:34 PM
50	Better photos and videos of the parks and the amenities they have.	10/8/2018 2:33 PM
51	Directions sometimes cant find.	10/8/2018 2:18 PM
52	Who's who. A picture of who is running the programs or a little detailed bio of who they are.	10/8/2018 1:20 PM

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53	Pickleball courts	10/8/2018 1:11 PM
54	Bathroom availability at all parks.	10/8/2018 12:32 PM
55	What to do if you see someone with a dog on the playground area, letting the dog roam free.	10/8/2018 12:24 PM
56	Clearer info about pool opening dates and hours	10/8/2018 12:19 PM
57	Is geocaching allowed, if so, which parks. Are there designated locations for slack-lining?	10/8/2018 7:35 AM

Q4 How often do you use Appleton park facilities?

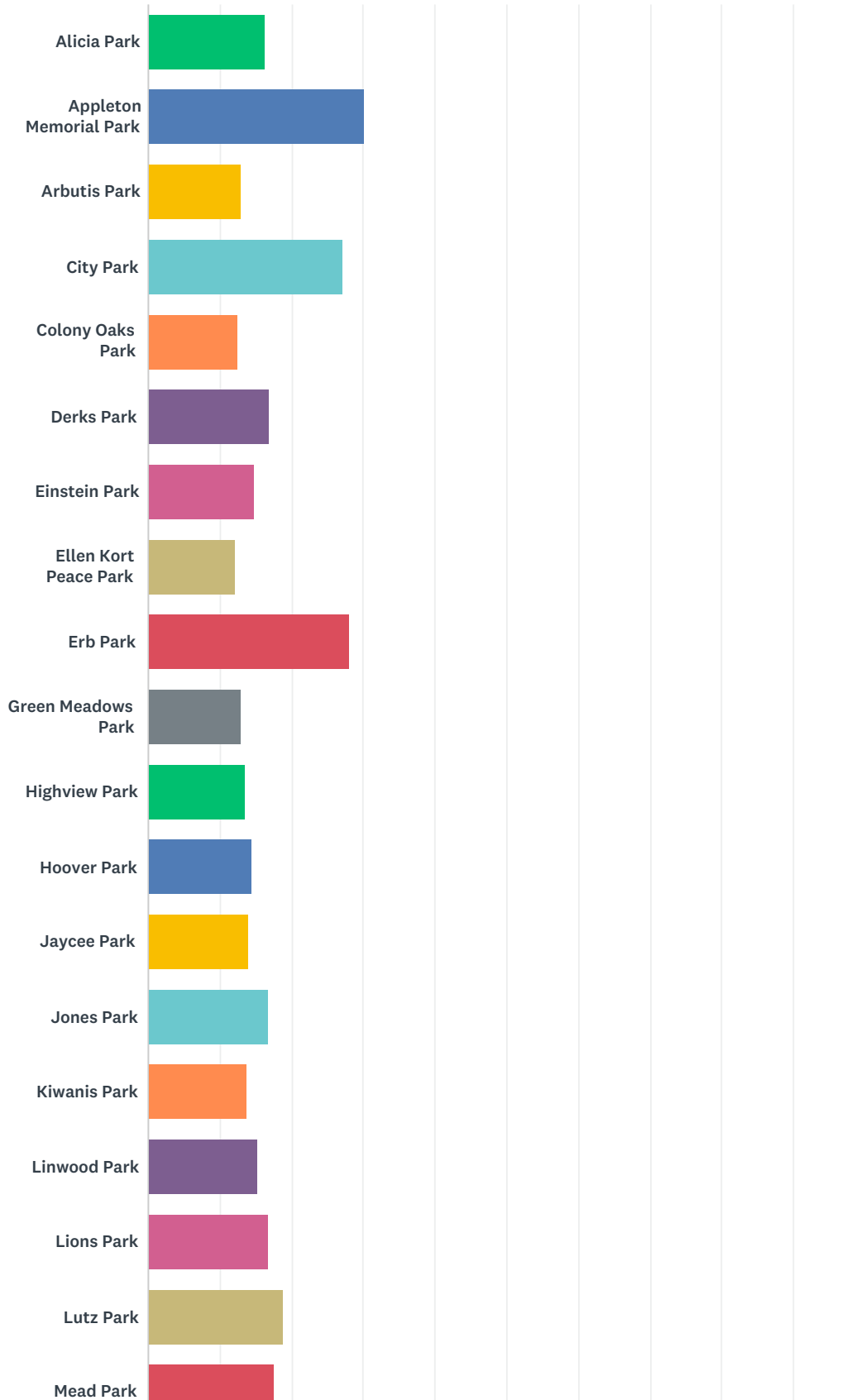
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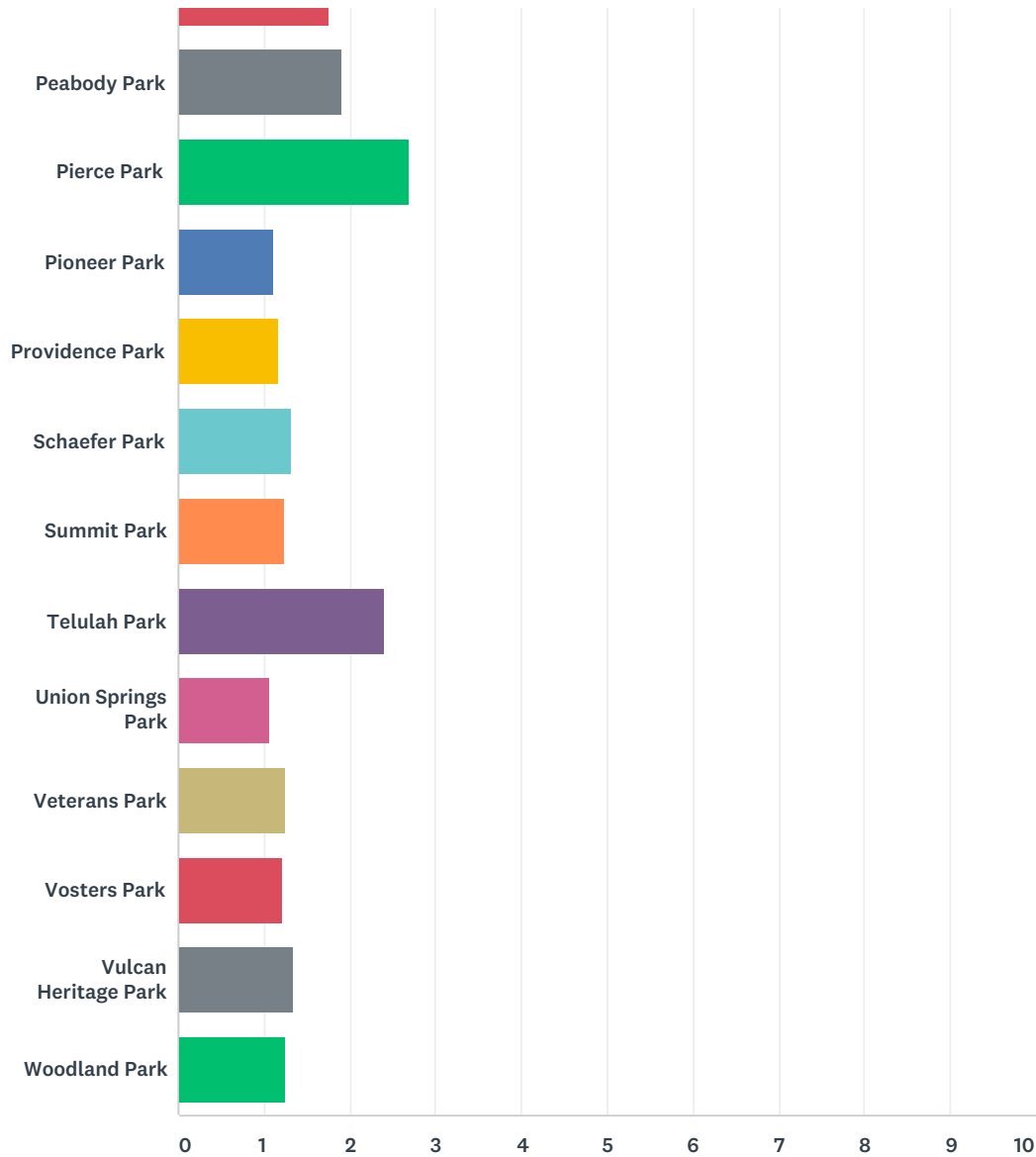
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	6.74%	24
Weekly	46.63%	166
Once or twice a month	30.06%	107
Once every 3-4 months	11.80%	42
Annually	2.81%	10
Never	1.97%	7
TOTAL		356

Q5 What parks have you visited in the past 12 months?

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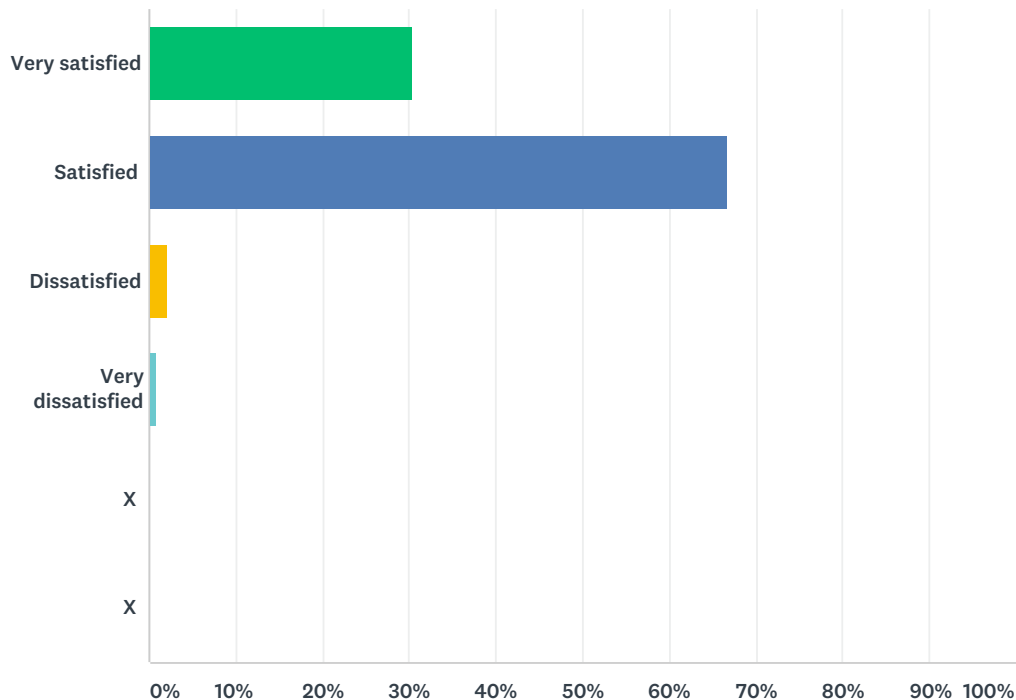
	NEVER	RARELY	OCCASIONALLY	OFTEN	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Alicia Park	62.16% 184	18.58% 55	13.51% 40	5.74% 17	296	1.63
Appleton Memorial Park	5.76% 19	20.00% 66	42.12% 139	32.12% 106	330	3.01
Arbutis Park	79.45% 232	13.70% 40	4.79% 14	2.05% 6	292	1.29
City Park	9.57% 31	25.62% 83	46.60% 151	18.21% 59	324	2.73
Colony Oaks Park	83.68% 241	9.38% 27	5.56% 16	1.39% 4	288	1.25
Derks Park	58.86% 176	19.06% 57	16.39% 49	5.69% 17	299	1.69
Einstein Park	71.43% 210	13.27% 39	10.54% 31	4.76% 14	294	1.49
Ellen Kort Peace Park	87.59% 254	6.21% 18	3.79% 11	2.41% 7	290	1.21

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Erb Park	12.00% 39	22.46% 73	39.08% 127	26.46% 86	325	2.80
Green Meadows Park	84.35% 248	6.12% 18	5.10% 15	4.42% 13	294	1.30
Highview Park	79.24% 229	8.30% 24	8.65% 25	3.81% 11	289	1.37
Hoover Park	75.34% 220	9.93% 29	9.25% 27	5.48% 16	292	1.45
Jaycee Park	73.26% 211	15.63% 45	8.33% 24	2.78% 8	288	1.41
Jones Park	56.61% 167	24.41% 72	14.58% 43	4.41% 13	295	1.67
Kiwanis Park	77.24% 224	11.38% 33	7.93% 23	3.45% 10	290	1.38
Linwood Park	67.89% 203	16.39% 49	11.04% 33	4.68% 14	299	1.53
Lions Park	58.72% 175	20.81% 62	14.77% 44	5.70% 17	298	1.67
Lutz Park	50.50% 152	20.93% 63	17.94% 54	10.63% 32	301	1.89
Mead Park	56.01% 163	18.90% 55	19.24% 56	5.84% 17	291	1.75
Peabody Park	49.17% 149	22.44% 68	16.17% 49	12.21% 37	303	1.91
Pierce Park	12.93% 41	23.66% 75	43.85% 139	19.56% 62	317	2.70
Pioneer Park	93.24% 262	4.27% 12	1.07% 3	1.42% 4	281	1.11
Providence Park	89.58% 258	5.21% 15	3.13% 9	2.08% 6	288	1.18
Schaefer Park	78.97% 229	13.10% 38	5.17% 15	2.76% 8	290	1.32
Summit Park	87.97% 256	4.12% 12	3.78% 11	4.12% 12	291	1.24
Telulah Park	25.32% 80	25.95% 82	31.96% 101	16.77% 53	316	2.40
Union Springs Park	96.53% 278	1.74% 5	1.04% 3	0.69% 2	288	1.06
Veterans Park	84.64% 248	7.51% 22	5.80% 17	2.05% 6	293	1.25
Vosters Park	89.69% 261	3.09% 9	3.09% 9	4.12% 12	291	1.22
Vulcan Heritage Park	77.78% 224	12.15% 35	7.99% 23	2.08% 6	288	1.34
Woodland Park	86.90% 252	5.17% 15	4.14% 12	3.79% 11	290	1.25

Q6 What is your level of satisfaction with the condition of the parks that you visit?

Answered: 343 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very satisfied	30.32%	104
Satisfied	66.76%	229
Dissatisfied	2.04%	7
Very dissatisfied	0.87%	3
X	0.00%	0
X	0.00%	0
TOTAL		343

#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	At Pierce Park, there is usually a hole dug under some of the swings, making the swing too high off the ground for children to reach.	10/28/2018 6:09 PM
2	I would be more satisfied if firearms were prohibited in all parks	10/27/2018 8:28 AM
3	Occasionally they need a bit of cleanup...litter left behind by irresponsible users!	10/26/2018 11:41 AM
4	Some need updating. We visit Linwood a lot and enjoy the park. But updates are needed	10/24/2018 7:25 PM
5	There are a lot of indigent people sleeping in the parks, as well as people smoking.	10/24/2018 4:29 PM
6	Linwood needs a better play ground, my three year old gets bored so fast there. Its the closest park but lacking. Arbutus is close to my neighborhood and looks to have a decent play ground but too many sketchy people and drug rumors.	10/24/2018 12:53 PM
7	Lack of Pickleball facilities	10/16/2018 5:52 PM

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8	Too many geese	10/16/2018 9:02 AM
9	Clearing snow would make trails safer and more usable in winter. Lighting would also be helpful, especially in the winter.	10/15/2018 2:41 PM
10	I've been meaning to fix the bells that don't ring and the squeaky swings for years (at multiple playgrounds), but I never did.	10/13/2018 3:02 PM
11	Wuld like to see many of the pavilions remodeled or replaced	10/12/2018 12:31 PM
12	Highview Park has poor drainage. It is unusable after rainfall due to puddles. This would be the perfect park for a rubber surface.	10/12/2018 11:44 AM
13	I think all playgrounds should convert to foam or soft base flooring. Wood chip is not ideal and sometimes, my children wear sandals to the park. It also bothers them to have wood chip inside their tennis shoes.	10/12/2018 11:44 AM
14	Erb park and arbus ruff play in pravilions and park vandalism on sign at arbus	10/12/2018 11:23 AM
15	Other then Erb. They remodel this however it is not at all friendly or appropriate for children under 5!	10/12/2018 11:19 AM
16	Would love more accessible parks for kids with disabilities	10/11/2018 8:08 PM
17	Overall, we have very nice parks in Appleton, thoughtfully designed to minimize maintenance. Sometimes I wish the parks had more individual personality - the play areas are largely the molded plastic playscapes with rounded corners. We live in an area with rich natural history on the Niagara Escarpment - why not some more natural playscapes?	10/11/2018 7:58 AM
18	I love that Appleton has so many parks for us! We just don't visit them often because our children are older.	10/10/2018 9:01 PM
19	My family and I are thankful for the addition of two more tennis courts at Erb Park. It would be wonderful if lights could be added to those as well.	10/10/2018 7:17 PM
20	Although the amount of goose poop at parks near the river keep us away from those facilities more often	10/10/2018 3:49 PM
21	Would like to see more parks like Menomonee Park in Oshkosh or Morissey Park in Chilton.	10/9/2018 4:26 PM
22	Bathroom facilities could be upgraded	10/9/2018 2:29 PM
23	We visit Jaycee park most often. Having visited other parks this one could stand to be updated	10/9/2018 9:09 AM
24	Only thing I really noticed this year was that there was a lot of ant colonies in Kiwanis park. But in fairness I never called in to report it.	10/9/2018 8:57 AM
25	The parks are well upkept. The facilities for rental (parties) could be updated.	10/8/2018 9:28 PM
26	Very pleased by the improvements they city has been making in the parks. They needed it. Keep it up!!	10/8/2018 9:02 PM
27	The woodchips will need help in spring all this rain has washed them into grass Highview is bad	10/8/2018 8:00 PM
28	Altho tennis courts at Einstein park are on a slant. Would be better if were flat.	10/8/2018 7:35 PM
29	Court in great shape. Even on rainy days, dries quickly.	10/8/2018 4:29 PM
30	Woodland could use some new, or more, equipment- since it's a playground as well. It is used multiple times all week days.	10/8/2018 3:08 PM
31	Usually have nice equipment.	10/8/2018 2:28 PM
32	Arbutus park seems a little sketchy so I do not frequent this park often.	10/8/2018 1:46 PM
33	It would be better if they had more interesting play equipment for kids. Like wooden climbing equipment i have seen in bigger city parks	10/8/2018 1:02 PM
34	Schaefer Park is sketchy with lots of strange cars randomly pulling up for a few minutes and then driving off. It's very unsettling when you have young children playing. It's a shame because it's very nice. Do to this experience we have not been back.	10/8/2018 12:33 PM
35	I would love to see the playground at Pierce Park updated. A setup like fritsch park in menasha with workout equipment!	10/8/2018 12:31 PM

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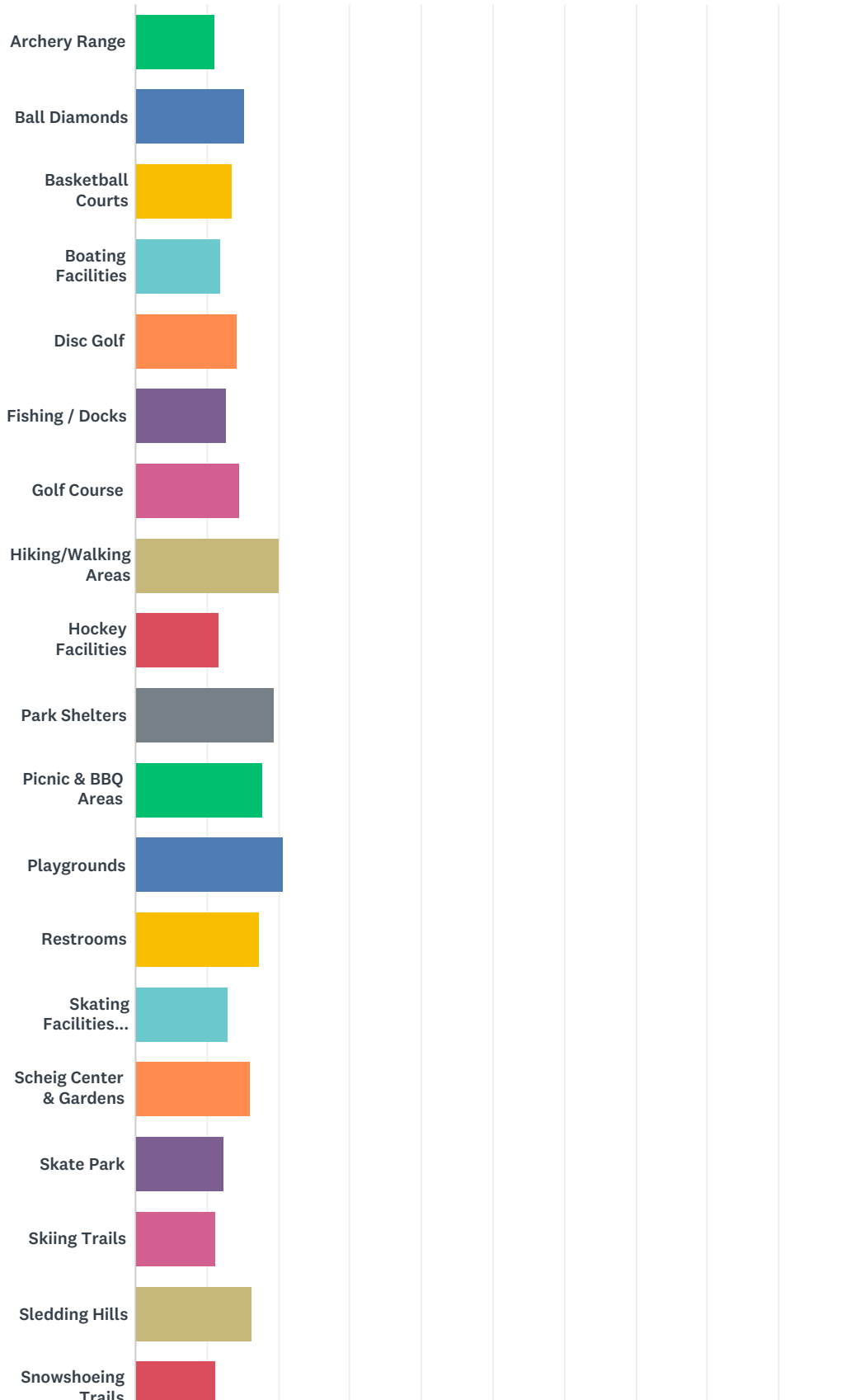
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Thank you for keeping up the play grounds. Our family uses them all the time.

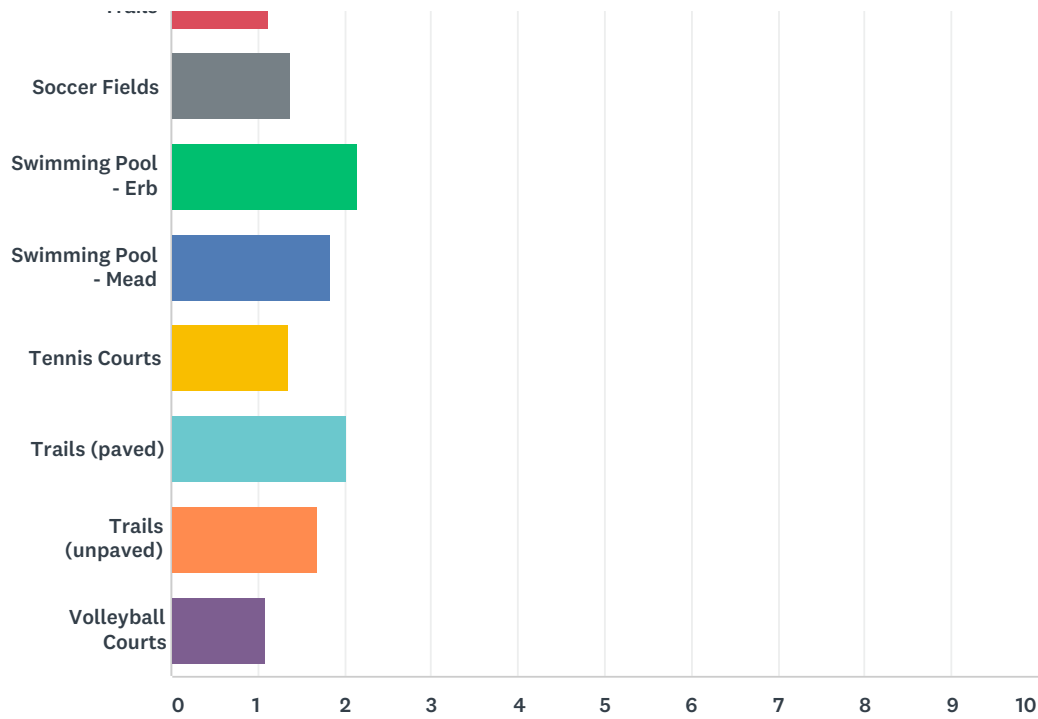
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Q7 Please rate the following City facilities:

Answered: 343 Skipped: 37



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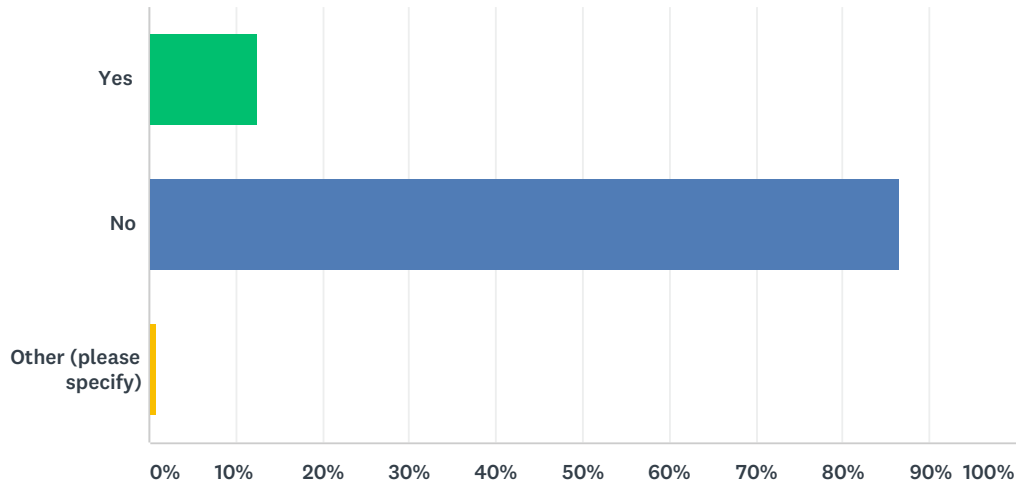
	GREAT	SATISFACTORY	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	INADEQUATE	NEVER USED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Archery Range	1.82% 6	8.18% 27	3.94% 13	0.91% 3	85.15% 281	330	1.11
Ball Diamonds	12.84% 42	27.83% 91	6.73% 22	0.92% 3	51.68% 169	327	1.53
Basketball Courts	6.79% 22	24.38% 79	3.09% 10	2.16% 7	63.58% 206	324	1.36
Boating Facilities	4.63% 15	10.19% 33	3.70% 12	0.31% 1	81.17% 263	324	1.19
Disc Golf	9.42% 31	24.01% 79	6.99% 23	0.61% 2	58.97% 194	329	1.42
Fishing / Docks	5.90% 19	17.08% 55	5.28% 17	1.86% 6	69.88% 225	322	1.27
Golf Course	13.58% 44	19.75% 64	0.62% 2	0.31% 1	65.74% 213	324	1.47
Hiking/Walking Areas	23.01% 75	54.60% 178	14.42% 47	0.61% 2	7.36% 24	326	2.00
Hockey Facilities	3.69% 12	11.38% 37	3.38% 11	0.62% 2	80.92% 263	325	1.18
Park Shelters	17.59% 57	59.57% 193	10.80% 35	0.31% 1	11.73% 38	324	1.94
Picnic & BBQ Areas	13.62% 44	50.46% 163	13.00% 42	0.31% 1	22.60% 73	323	1.77
Playgrounds	28.53% 93	50.31% 164	7.36% 24	0.31% 1	13.50% 44	326	2.07
Restrooms	10.03% 33	56.23% 185	22.49% 74	2.13% 7	9.12% 30	329	1.74

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Skating Facilities (ice)	5.26% 17	19.20% 62	4.95% 16	0.93% 3	69.66% 225	323	1.29
Scheig Center & Gardens	18.87% 60	25.47% 81	3.77% 12	1.26% 4	50.63% 161	318	1.62
Skate Park	6.88% 22	10.00% 32	0.94% 3	0.00% 0	82.19% 263	320	1.24
Skiing Trails	1.90% 6	9.49% 30	5.38% 17	1.58% 5	81.65% 258	316	1.12
Sledding Hills	14.06% 45	37.50% 120	9.06% 29	1.25% 4	38.13% 122	320	1.64
Snowshoeing Trails	3.74% 12	8.10% 26	6.54% 21	3.12% 10	78.50% 252	321	1.12
Soccer Fields	7.12% 23	25.70% 83	5.88% 19	1.86% 6	59.44% 192	323	1.38
Swimming Pool - Erb	49.85% 162	16.00% 52	0.31% 1	0.31% 1	33.54% 109	325	2.15
Swimming Pool - Mead	26.85% 87	32.10% 104	5.86% 19	0.62% 2	34.57% 112	324	1.85
Tennis Courts	7.36% 24	24.85% 81	6.75% 22	2.76% 9	58.28% 190	326	1.37
Trails (paved)	26.48% 85	51.40% 165	7.17% 23	1.25% 4	13.71% 44	321	2.03
Trails (unpaved)	14.64% 47	42.99% 138	14.95% 48	1.87% 6	25.55% 82	321	1.70
Volleyball Courts	1.88% 6	5.64% 18	5.02% 16	0.63% 2	86.83% 277	319	1.09

Q8 Have you rented one of the park pavilions, sports fields, or the Scheig Center in the past 12 months?

Answered: 342 Skipped: 38

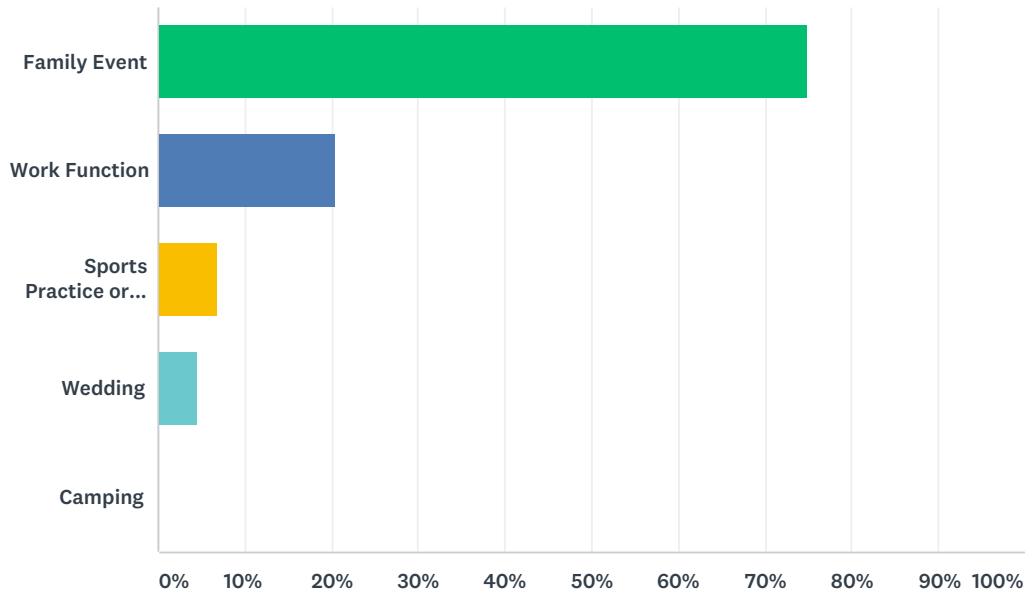


ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES
Yes		12.57% 43
No		86.55% 296
Other (please specify)		0.88% 3
TOTAL		342

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Attended parties at pavilions	10/24/2018 4:29 PM
2	years ago and it was great! I actually was walking the dog on an early sunday and was impressed that someone was there cleaning and picking up garbage:)	10/12/2018 11:20 AM
3	Attended a talk at Scheig.	10/8/2018 3:39 PM

Q9 What was the rental for? (Please choose all that apply)

Answered: 44 Skipped: 336

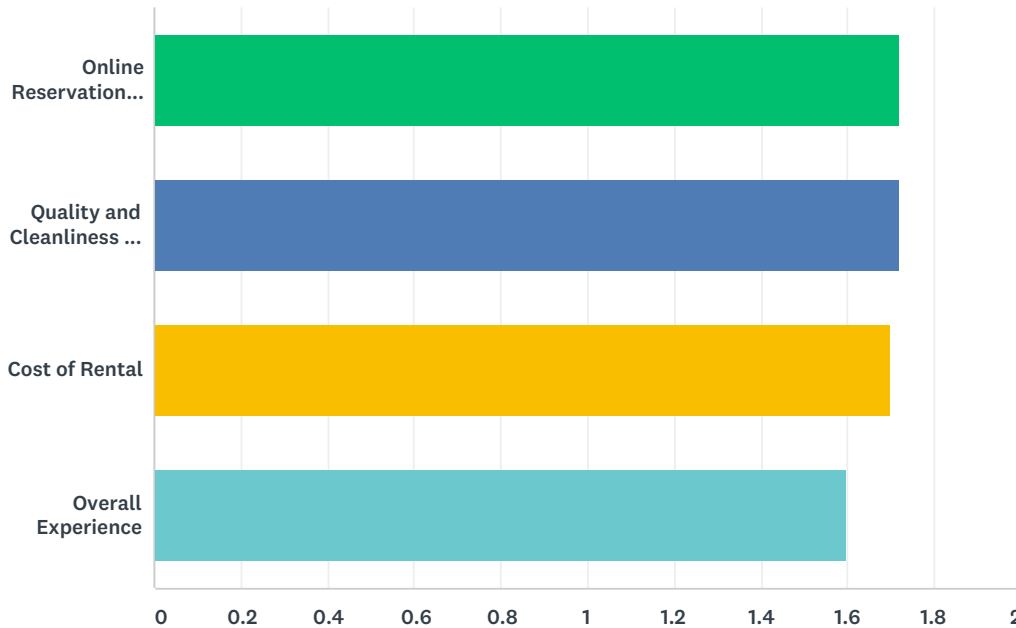


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Family Event	75.00%	33
Work Function	20.45%	9
Sports Practice or Game	6.82%	3
Wedding	4.55%	2
Camping	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 44		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Picnic parties for work and birthday party for kids	10/24/2018 4:30 PM
2	Grad party	10/15/2018 2:43 PM
3	Birthday Party	10/12/2018 11:45 AM
4	scout outing	10/11/2018 4:27 PM
5	birthday party	10/8/2018 9:30 PM
6	A talk, not a rental.	10/8/2018 3:39 PM
7	Wedding rehearsal dinner party	10/8/2018 1:47 PM

Q10 How would you rate your rental experience?

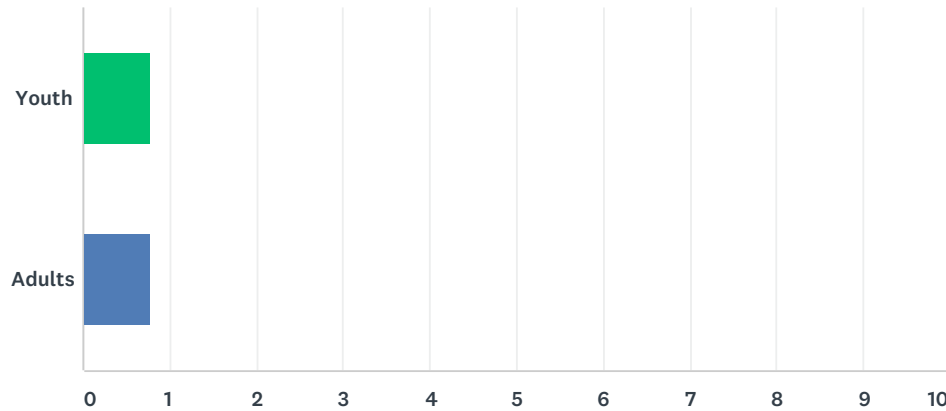
Answered: 44 Skipped: 336



	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Online Reservation Experience	39.53% 17	51.16% 22	6.98% 3	2.33% 1	43	1.72
Quality and Cleanliness of Facility	41.86% 18	44.19% 19	13.95% 6	0.00% 0	43	1.72
Cost of Rental	37.21% 16	55.81% 24	6.98% 3	0.00% 0	43	1.70
Overall Experience	44.19% 19	51.16% 22	4.65% 2	0.00% 0	43	1.60

Q11 Do you feel there are enough athletic fields in the City?

Answered: 322 Skipped: 58



	YES	NO	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Youth	77.50% 248	22.50% 72	320	0.78
Adults	78.14% 243	21.86% 68	311	0.78

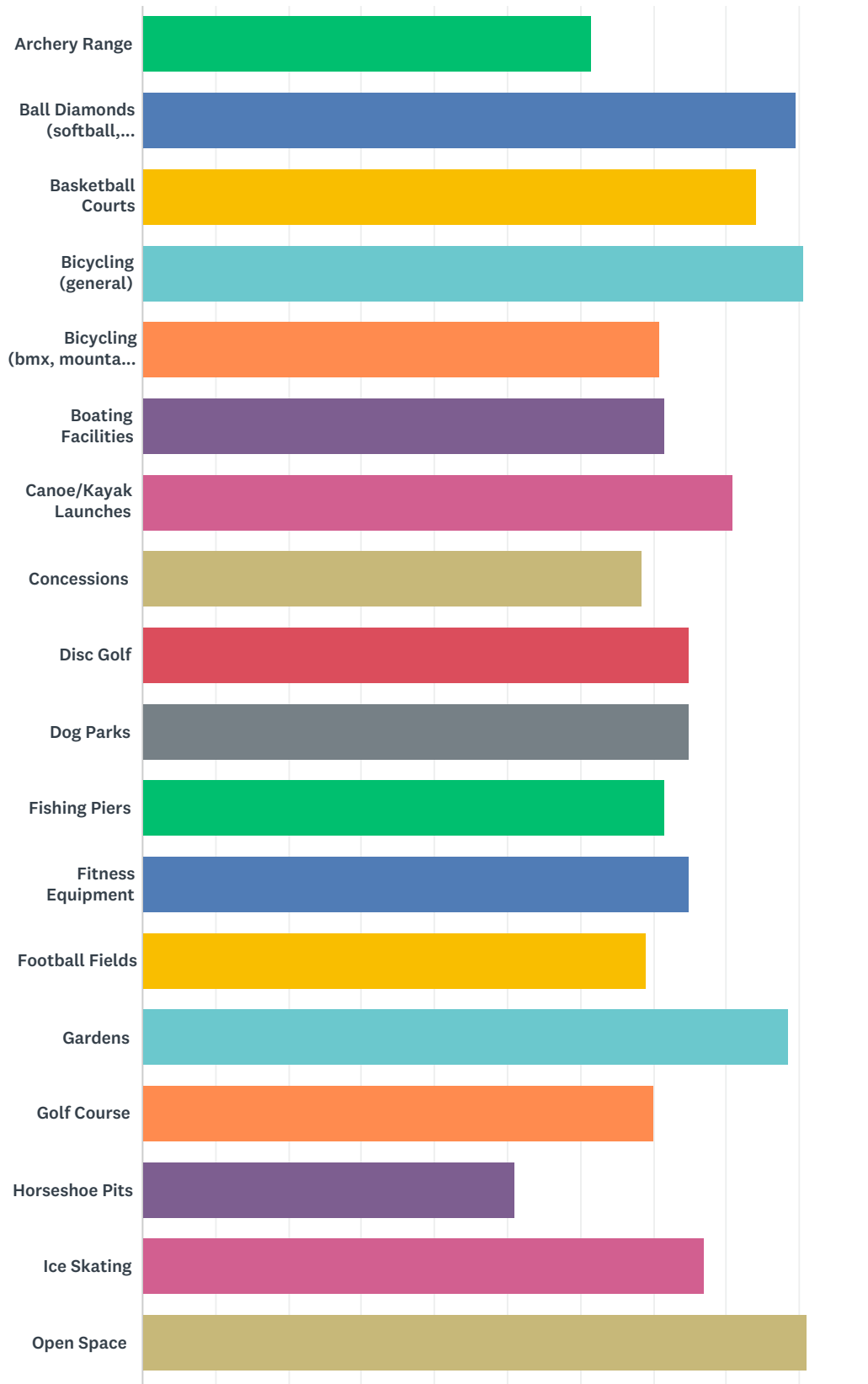
#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	Practice fields are needed & batting cages	10/30/2018 5:39 PM
2	Local neighborhood parks needs at least 1 of each: basketball court, volleyball court, and tennis court.	10/28/2018 10:01 PM
3	South side needs Pony baseball and Little League updates at current fields. Lights would be the biggest thing. So much youth involvement, not enough field time. Lights would greatly help that. I know a new facility has been discussed on this side of town. South side. Appleton has long history of putting the cheapest quality of pretty much everything into ball fields so I would suggest not a new facility, just greatly improve what is currently there. Dugouts are as bad as they get with safety, and lights. The playing surface is nothing but dust when it's dry and continually erodes away into neighboring homes, then have to top dress repeatedly. Go to neighboring communities and it's a night and day difference quite often.	10/28/2018 5:27 PM
4	dont use	10/27/2018 8:23 AM
5	No opinion	10/26/2018 7:33 PM
6	Need to have room for unstructured play.	10/23/2018 7:22 PM
7	Proper soccer fields are needed	10/20/2018 8:16 AM
8	Too many	10/17/2018 8:29 AM
9	We need more high ground soccer fields that don't get puddles or mud during rainy weather.	10/17/2018 7:13 AM
10	There can always be more	10/16/2018 10:29 PM
11	Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 7:49 PM
12	Could use more parks with Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 6:23 PM
13	There are no pickleball facilities	10/16/2018 4:23 PM
14	need more soccer fields	10/16/2018 9:29 AM

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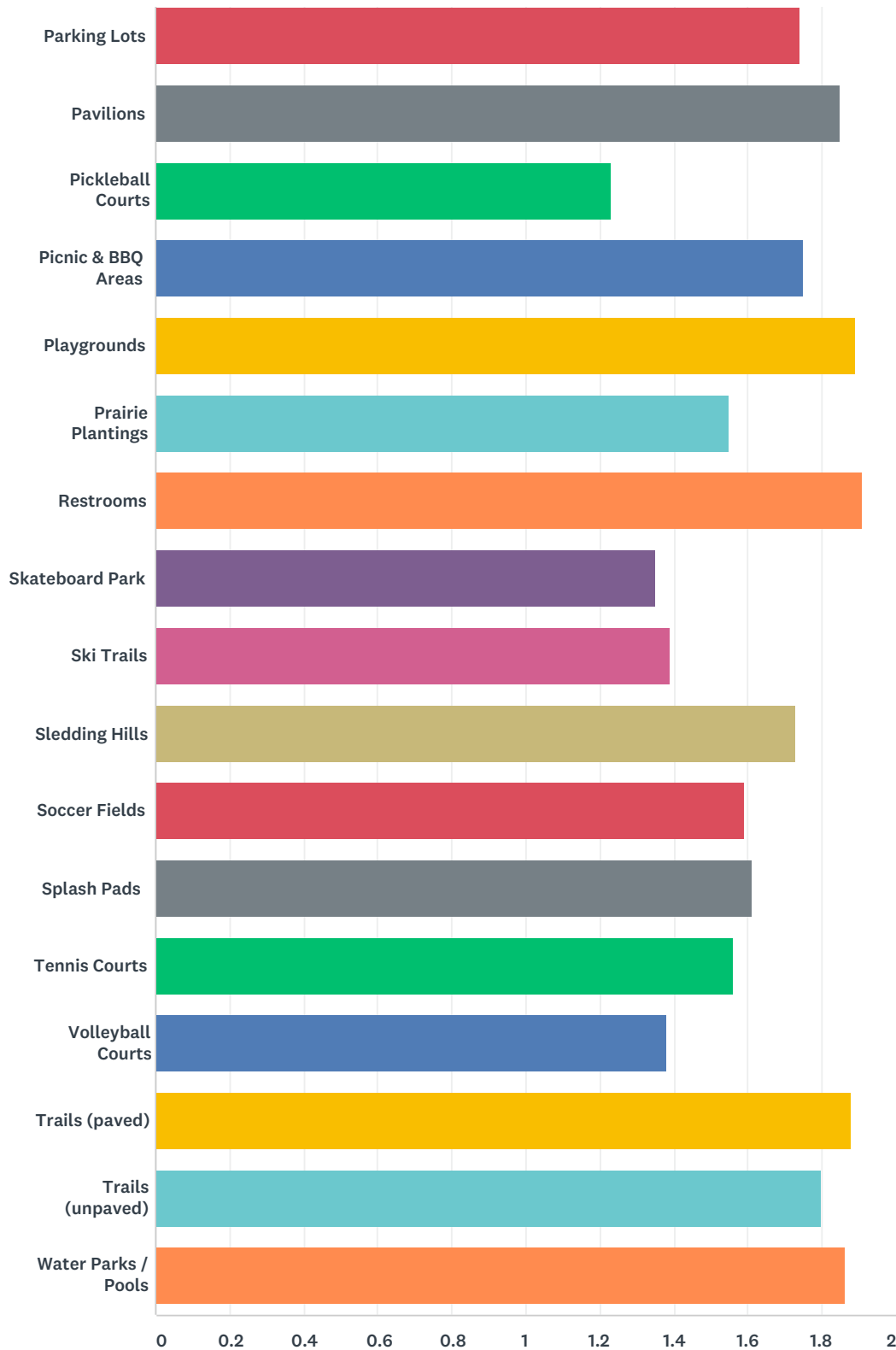
15	The Fall 2018 Soccer season was a TOTAL FAIL!! TONS of cancelled games & practices because Parks & Rec Dept screwed our city's youth by giving up our use of the Sheel's soccer fields & sticking them in a corner of unlevel, unmounded grass for their soccer season. What a disappointment yo our kids!!! VERY VERY angry about this!!!!	10/16/2018 9:18 AM
16	need more dedicated pickleball courts	10/16/2018 5:14 AM
17	More pickleball courts - demand is ever increasing.	10/15/2018 9:22 PM
18	Don't use, not sure	10/15/2018 8:13 PM
19	It has improved since I coached soccer.	10/15/2018 2:46 PM
20	My family nor I have never participated in extra curricular with the city.	10/15/2018 2:45 PM
21	Seems like we need more wide open spaces for practices - soccer, peewee & LaCrosse specifically from what I know	10/15/2018 2:10 PM
22	Soccer	10/14/2018 4:55 PM
23	Need Dedicated Pickle Ball Courts	10/12/2018 10:06 PM
24	Need pickleball courts on the southeast side of Appleton.	10/12/2018 11:38 AM
25	We have an archery range??? Where's that?	10/10/2018 10:47 PM
26	unorganized play for adults (esp. soccer)	10/10/2018 10:02 PM
27	Our children have been in summer soccer for many years and their teams were always struggling to find practice space.	10/10/2018 9:03 PM
28	What do you mean by 'athletic fields' - for what sports? This question is vague. Not able to answer, and, I was forced to provide an answer in order to continue the survey, so I chose 'yes'	10/10/2018 7:21 PM
29	A family accessible track would be great. A park(s) with adult fitness equipment would be awesome too.	10/10/2018 2:32 PM
30	More dedicated soccer field space for all ages would be great	10/9/2018 7:57 PM
31	Based on this year's fallout with the USA Soccer fields we could maybe use some more.	10/9/2018 9:00 AM
32	I don't know and can't answer this question	10/9/2018 7:13 AM
33	I don't think I would be the best judge of this	10/9/2018 6:12 AM
34	Not enough soccer space in one place (memorial).. it's great that we can use alliance ..but it's very inconvenient this year for families with kids in different levels.	10/9/2018 5:28 AM
35	Soccer fields - need more goals	10/8/2018 10:30 PM
36	Not sure	10/8/2018 8:14 PM
37	I don't use or frequent so don't know.	10/8/2018 7:40 PM
38	Need soccer fields	10/8/2018 5:17 PM
39	Not sure	10/8/2018 4:37 PM
40	I'm not involved in activities that use the fields so I can't really say	10/8/2018 2:34 PM
41	Would love to see winter fat tire biking trails	10/8/2018 2:24 PM
42	I don't feel there is enough middle age field 13-16 yr olds	10/8/2018 1:27 PM
43	Change soccer to where it used to be on the north side. Memorial park is not adequate.	10/8/2018 12:49 PM
44	I think the City needs to add more basketball courts - full range!	10/8/2018 12:35 PM
45	I think based on the soccer field situation alone, it shows that we do not have enough athletic fields.	10/8/2018 11:43 AM

Q12 Do you feel the following park amenities are important or not important in our community?

Answered: 322 Skipped: 58



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	IMPORTANT (NEED/NEED MORE)	IMPORTANT (BUT SATISFIED/HAVE ENOUGH)	INDIFFERENT	NOT IMPORTANT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Archery Range	10.82% 33	27.54% 84	46.23% 141	15.41% 47	305	1.23
Ball Diamonds (softball, baseball)	19.08% 58	61.84% 188	17.43% 53	1.64% 5	304	1.79

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Basketball Courts	17.88% 54	51.99% 157	28.15% 85	1.99% 6	302	1.68
Bicycling (general)	55.05% 169	28.99% 89	12.70% 39	3.26% 10	307	1.81
Bicycling (bmx, mountain, etc)	26.49% 80	24.50% 74	40.07% 121	8.94% 27	302	1.42
Boating Facilities	10.96% 33	37.21% 112	46.18% 139	5.65% 17	301	1.43
Canoe/Kayak Launches	32.67% 98	32.00% 96	32.33% 97	3.00% 9	300	1.62
Concessions	12.71% 38	34.45% 103	43.14% 129	9.70% 29	299	1.37
Disc Golf	14.33% 43	41.33% 124	38.67% 116	5.67% 17	300	1.50
Dog Parks	41.37% 127	20.20% 62	26.38% 81	12.05% 37	307	1.50
Fishing Piers	16.05% 48	33.44% 100	44.48% 133	6.02% 18	299	1.43
Fitness Equipment	40.79% 124	16.12% 49	36.18% 110	6.91% 21	304	1.50
Football Fields	10.10% 30	35.35% 105	46.80% 139	7.74% 23	297	1.38
Gardens	41.81% 125	37.12% 111	18.73% 56	2.34% 7	299	1.77
Golf Course	5.70% 17	45.97% 137	36.58% 109	11.74% 35	298	1.40
Horseshoe Pits	5.35% 16	15.72% 47	59.53% 178	19.40% 58	299	1.02
Ice Skating	15.67% 47	42.33% 127	38.33% 115	3.67% 11	300	1.54
Open Space	30.00% 90	54.67% 164	13.00% 39	2.33% 7	300	1.82
Parking Lots	19.06% 57	59.87% 179	16.05% 48	5.02% 15	299	1.74
Pavilions	15.33% 46	71.33% 214	12.00% 36	1.33% 4	300	1.85
Pickleball Courts	22.52% 68	12.25% 37	52.98% 160	12.25% 37	302	1.23
Picnic & BBQ Areas	16.94% 51	61.46% 185	17.94% 54	3.65% 11	301	1.75
Playgrounds	24.67% 74	66.00% 198	7.33% 22	2.00% 6	300	1.89
Prairie Plantings	31.54% 94	28.86% 86	34.23% 102	5.37% 16	298	1.55
Restrooms	38.69% 118	52.79% 161	8.52% 26	0.00% 0	305	1.91
Skateboard Park	7.46% 22	34.92% 103	50.51% 149	7.12% 21	295	1.35
Ski Trails	19.93% 60	26.25% 79	46.84% 141	6.98% 21	301	1.39

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Sledding Hills	24.75% 74	52.17% 156	19.06% 57	4.01% 12	299	1.73
Soccer Fields	16.16% 48	47.81% 142	30.98% 92	5.05% 15	297	1.59
Splash Pads	38.54% 116	30.23% 91	23.59% 71	7.64% 23	301	1.61
Tennis Courts	12.00% 36	48.33% 145	35.33% 106	4.33% 13	300	1.56
Volleyball Courts	11.11% 33	31.99% 95	51.52% 153	5.39% 16	297	1.38
Trails (paved)	56.17% 173	34.09% 105	7.79% 24	1.95% 6	308	1.88
Trails (unpaved)	48.36% 147	34.87% 106	13.16% 40	3.62% 11	304	1.80
Water Parks / Pools	26.64% 81	62.17% 189	8.55% 26	2.63% 8	304	1.86

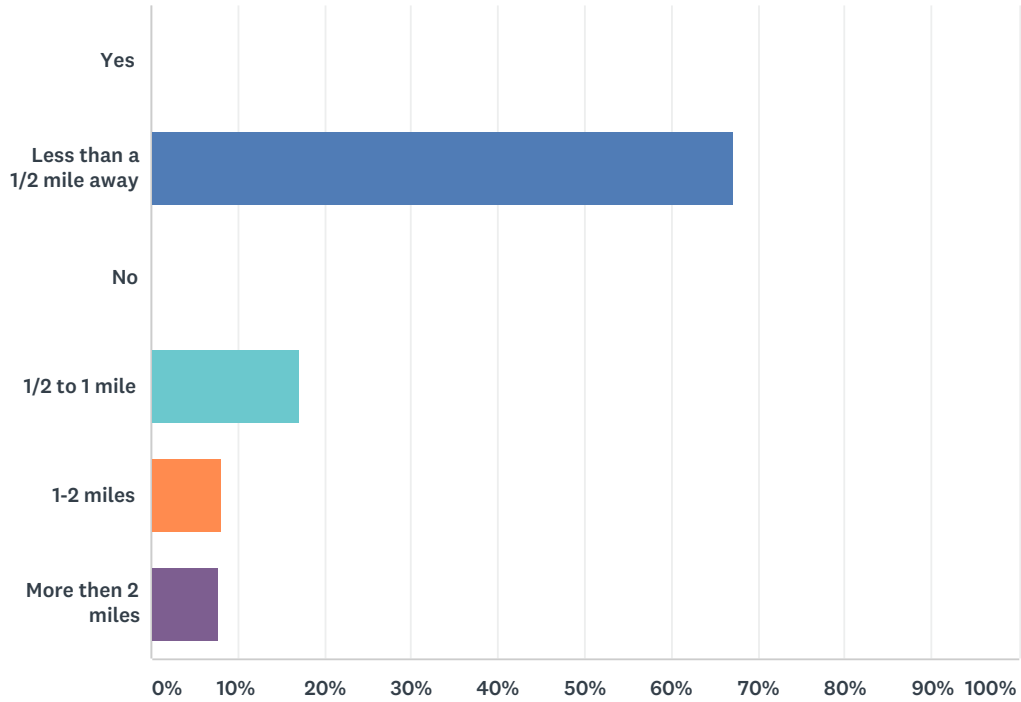
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1	We need an INDOOR water park.	10/28/2018 6:13 PM
2	Mountain bike trails at Telulah would be a great use of that space.	10/27/2018 9:09 AM
3	More places to walk dogs and more flowers.	10/27/2018 8:23 AM
4	I wish more of the parks had drinking fountains.	10/24/2018 12:11 PM
5	Need to keep wooded areas/hills/paths/open space for unstructured play. Places to climb and explore that are natural elements.	10/23/2018 7:22 PM
6	Need a pickleball complex badly	10/18/2018 9:33 AM
7	Features for keeping Seniors active	10/17/2018 7:43 AM
8	Places to snowshoe!	10/16/2018 6:23 PM
9	Grand Chute opened new Pickleball courts late last fall. The courts were designed to accommodate 24 players at any given time. Weather permitting in the AM there will be 30 to 40 players enjoying the courts while willing to wait for a court to open. Hats off to them for building courts to accommodate the fast growing sport in the nation. Appleton has no dedicated courts.	10/16/2018 6:00 PM
10	Affordable indoor tennis courts would be a huge asset to Appleton. Additionally secure bike parking needs to be increased.	10/16/2018 12:51 PM
11	Beer Gardens. See Milwaukee county park system	10/16/2018 10:53 AM
12	Need better parking at Lutz Park. Ever since the re-do, the stalls meant for boat trailers are often filled with non-boating vehicles. Now with no street parking along the Yacht Club side, there is not enough parking without having to cross the street, which can be dangerous.	10/16/2018 9:35 AM
13	You need to start turning the unused tennis courts into Pickle Ball courts. Take a look at what Grand Chute did to their tennis courts at Grant Woods Park. They have the nicest Pickle Ball facility in the Fox Cities. Appleton needs to do the same. This is an extremely popular sport that is growing.	10/15/2018 9:43 PM
14	I would love to see a Labyrinth at the new park by the river (Ellen Kort) or at one of the inner city parks (Linwood by the assisted living facility, or City Park, etc.).	10/15/2018 2:10 PM
15	It would be great to get a better park near einestine school. I don't feel comfortable taking my kids to the park during school hours. It's the only park less than a mile from my home.	10/15/2018 12:55 PM
16	Need more upgradesvat meade, more chairs, shade areas	10/15/2018 10:29 AM
17	We'd LOVE to see an indoor facility (playground and place to run and play) of some sort that could be used in the cold winter months. Yes, I know there are businesses for this need, but they are not affordable for large families that are low income. :(10/15/2018 10:27 AM

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18	Can we get more bike lanes? Especially with the lack of sidewalks, bike lanes are crucial.	10/14/2018 7:46 AM
19	Restrooms closer to park at Memorial playground! No way can a little one make it to the one now:(10/12/2018 11:22 AM
20	Many of our parks seem underutilized - particularly the smaller, newer parks. I understand the objective of building adequate park facilities within reasonable distance of all dwellings, but I wonder how the City thinks about new park development. In some places, it also seems like we have a high concentration of parks (or planned parks), for example, Jones Park, Pioneer, Ellen Kort, & Vulcan Park are close together. "Flagship" parks like Memorial, Pierce, Erb, Peabody, & City Park seem better loved and have more/different amenities.	10/11/2018 8:07 AM
21	The City of Appleton is seriously lacking unpacked/rustic trails. I paved trails by Peabody Park would be a wonderful asset to the city.	10/10/2018 4:35 PM
22	Need more public fishing areas.	10/10/2018 8:31 AM
23	Wish there were more public bathrooms (especially near playground at Memorial Park), also wish the restrooms were open longer into Fall season (for potty training toddlers and small children to use); wish that homeless weren't allowed to sleep on benches and near fountain at City Park and other parks where small children are present	10/9/2018 9:20 AM
24	It's hard to answer this question without knowing what we already have ..this question could have benefited from a map. It's now more of a perception question .. do I even know about these facilities.	10/9/2018 5:28 AM
25	provide better drainage at Memorial Park fields. Softball/ Soccer games always seem to be cancelled at the slightest rainfall.	10/8/2018 8:36 PM
26	More baby/toddler safe swings in parks. Most parks that we visit only have one, and with two small children it would be very convenient to have side by side swings so both kids can swing at the same time. It's also really important because at that age/size, there aren't too many other things for them to do at most parks, and parks are such an important part of family time and socialization.	10/8/2018 7:39 PM
27	why not more pond access for fishing for the kids...Kensington pond. perfect for a trail and fishing. public and the neighborhood not allowed to utilize this area. I would like to see a longer Archery range that accommodates long distance shooters.	10/8/2018 5:44 PM
28	LOVE erb pool. another pool or splash pas would be helpful as the pools are so busy. meade needs better restrooms.	10/8/2018 5:17 PM
29	Splash pad, please!!!	10/8/2018 5:12 PM
30	I live near city park. Daily we have froups of people sitting in the Pavilion drinking or drunk. It makes them not very family friendly. And to be quite honest intimidating and unsafe feeling.	10/8/2018 5:02 PM
31	I just enjoy the tress and being outdoors in a beautiful setting which the parks provide	10/8/2018 4:19 PM
32	If you have concessions, PLEASE offer healthful food, including low-carb food, some raw food, low- or no-salt nuts. PLEASE not just junk.	10/8/2018 3:43 PM
33	Would love to the trails around the river develop more (I believe this is already a plan but let speed this up)	10/8/2018 1:50 PM
34	More volleyball programs for indoors and outdoors.	10/8/2018 1:27 PM
35	Wish bathrooms we're open longer into the fall/winter season for runners and walkers to use.	10/8/2018 12:55 PM
36	More hockey and skating ice!	10/8/2018 12:47 PM
37	It would be great if there were more indoor pavilions on the South/East Side of Appleton	10/8/2018 12:35 PM

Q13 How far is the nearest park from your home?

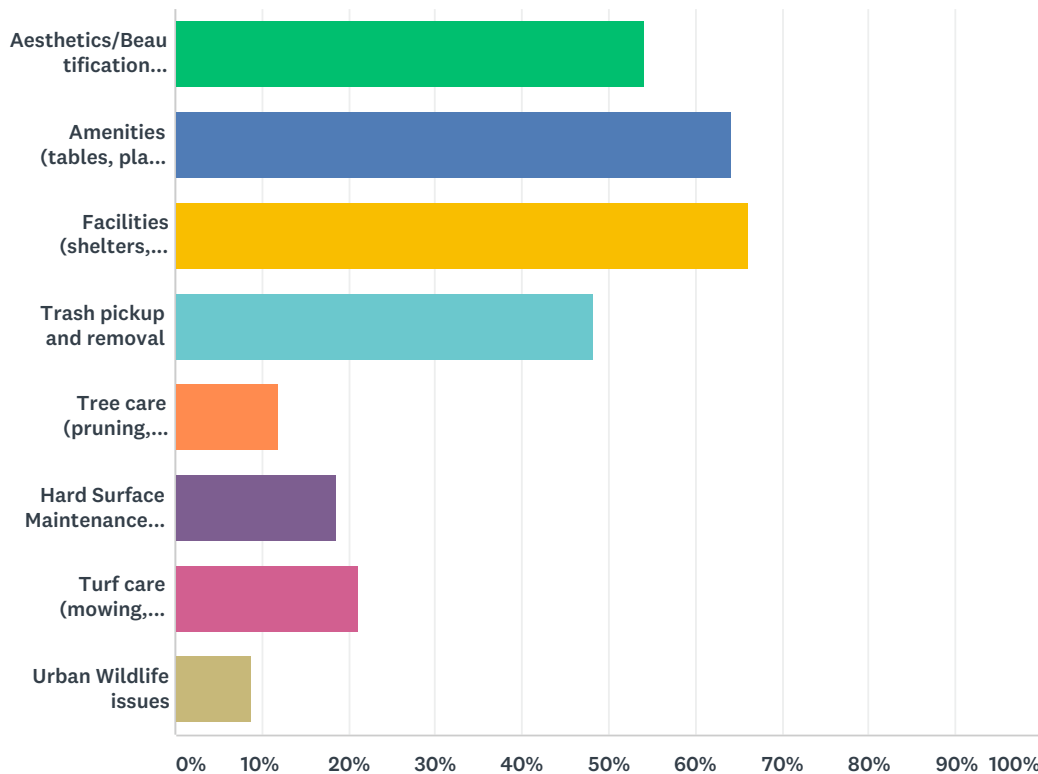
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	0.00%	0
Less than a 1/2 mile away	67.08%	216
No	0.00%	0
1/2 to 1 mile	17.08%	55
1-2 miles	8.07%	26
More then 2 miles	7.76%	25
TOTAL		322

Q14 What TOP THREE maintenance areas contribute most to park appeal?

Answered: 321 Skipped: 59



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Aesthetics/Beautification (landscaping)	54.21%	174
Amenities (tables, play equipment, etc.)	64.17%	206
Facilities (shelters, restrooms, etc.)	66.04%	212
Trash pickup and removal	48.29%	155
Tree care (pruning, replacing, etc.)	11.84%	38
Hard Surface Maintenance (paved trails, parking lots, etc.)	18.69%	60
Turf care (mowing, fertilizing, watering, etc.)	21.18%	68
Urban Wildlife issues	8.72%	28
Total Respondents: 321		

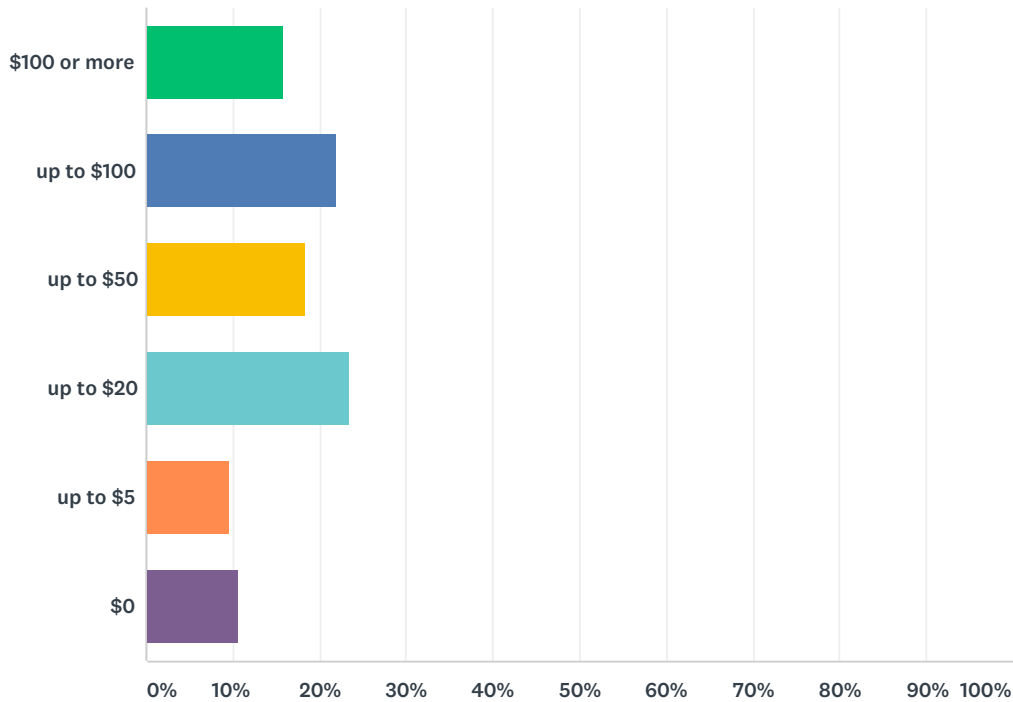
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1	Accessibility -- sidewalks and bike lanes leading to and from more park areas	10/27/2018 8:29 AM
2	Pedestrian safety to access parks! Lutz is getting better with addition of trail. Pierce Park has NO safe pedestrian access. It is designed for vehicles only. We need a bike/pedestrian path to access the park from prospect!	10/22/2018 9:10 PM
3	Splash pads!	10/16/2018 8:54 PM

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4	Security	10/16/2018 11:43 AM
5	Safety	10/16/2018 11:07 AM
6	Goose poop has rendered Lutz Park a no-go for our family.	10/16/2018 9:36 AM
7	All	10/15/2018 8:14 PM
8	All of the above are important - can't pick 3	10/15/2018 2:11 PM
9	I've been waiting for the shade trees to provide some shade on the playground at Highview Park since 2007.	10/13/2018 3:09 PM
10	Playground turf (wood chips, rubber, etc.)	10/12/2018 12:58 PM
11	Plus minimally trash removal and turf care....it has to be the combination. One without the other is useless. It also goes against what I've marked if there are too many geese messing up the area/ What happened? Lutz had several good years there and now the geese are starting to ruin the park again.	10/11/2018 10:25 PM
12	I care more about the natural beauty of a park and high-quality landscape design (even if it's simple to minimize maintenance) so much more important than perfect hardscape or big, brightly colored plastic playgrounds.	10/11/2018 8:09 AM
13	Lots of green space, trees, plants, etc.	10/10/2018 9:05 PM
14	Sense of safety	10/10/2018 2:32 PM
15	We need more green space kept in our City.	10/8/2018 5:51 PM
16	Mosquito and Insects	10/8/2018 4:46 PM
17	Keeping debris such as sticks, limbs, and other things clear of open areas and trails	10/8/2018 4:27 PM
18	Shade for summer months	10/8/2018 1:28 PM

Q15 How much more would you be willing to pay (in property taxes or user fees) annually to support parks and recreation facilities and/or programs?

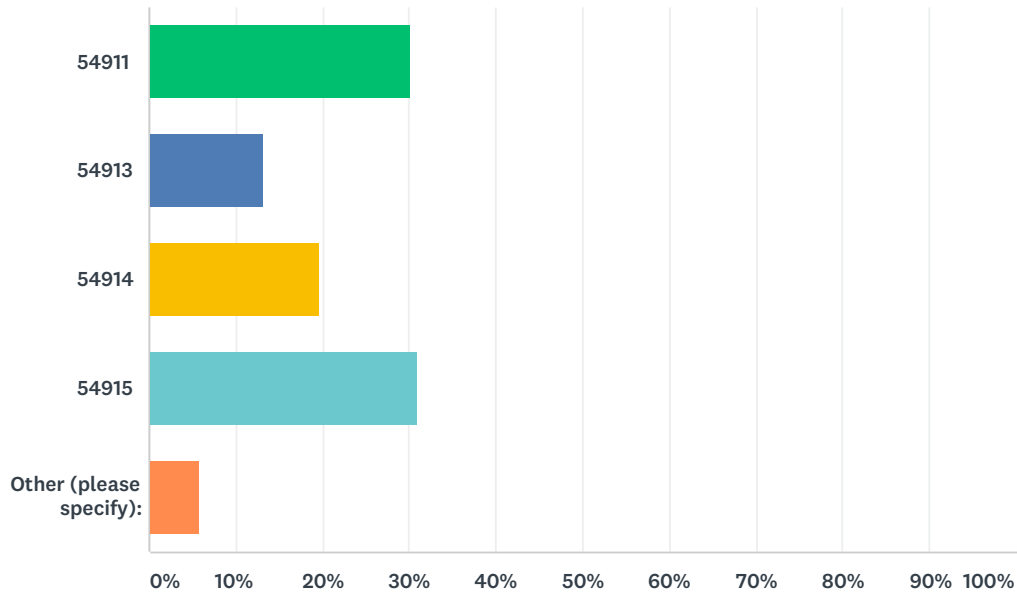
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
\$100 or more	15.94%	51
up to \$100	21.88%	70
up to \$50	18.44%	59
up to \$20	23.44%	75
up to \$5	9.69%	31
\$0	10.63%	34
TOTAL		320

Q16 What is your home zip code?

Answered: 319 Skipped: 61



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
54911	30.09%	96
54913	13.17%	42
54914	19.75%	63
54915	31.03%	99
Other (please specify):	5.96%	19
TOTAL		319

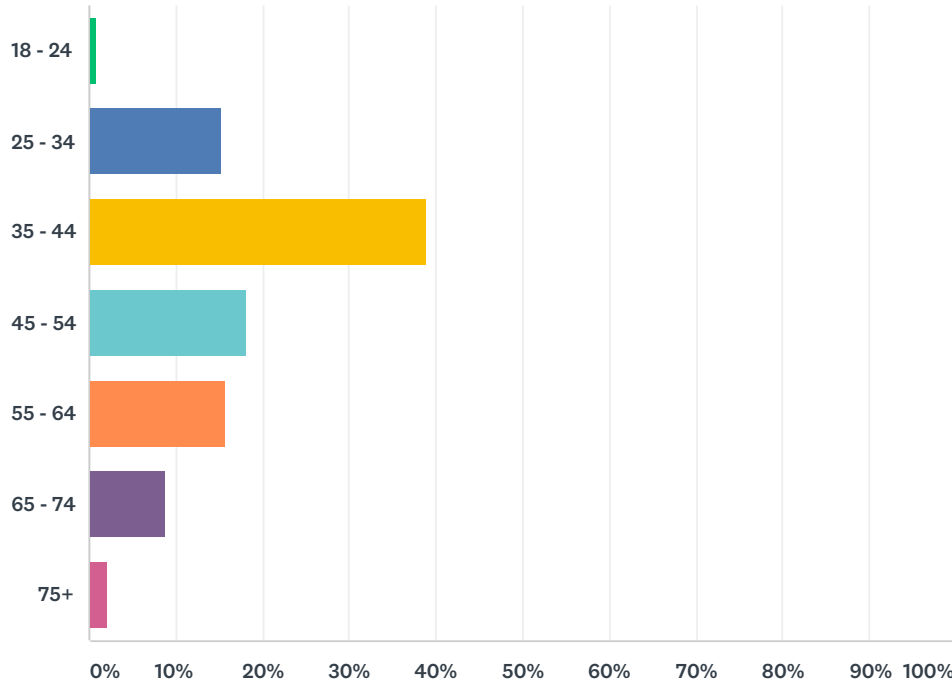
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2	54956	10/16/2018 7:51 PM
3	54956	10/16/2018 7:01 PM
4	54911	10/16/2018 6:25 PM
5	54169	10/16/2018 6:02 PM
6	54952	10/16/2018 11:44 AM
7	54944	10/16/2018 8:58 AM
8	54113	10/16/2018 6:39 AM
9	54952	10/16/2018 2:54 AM
10	54952	10/15/2018 9:24 PM
11	54952	10/15/2018 7:17 PM
12	54961	10/15/2018 2:23 PM
13	.	10/15/2018 1:48 PM

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14	54140	10/15/2018 12:08 PM
15	54130	10/15/2018 7:06 AM
16	about to move to 54915	10/11/2018 10:27 PM
17	54140	10/8/2018 8:38 PM
18	54952	10/8/2018 6:31 PM
19	54956	10/8/2018 1:42 PM

Q17 What is your age group?

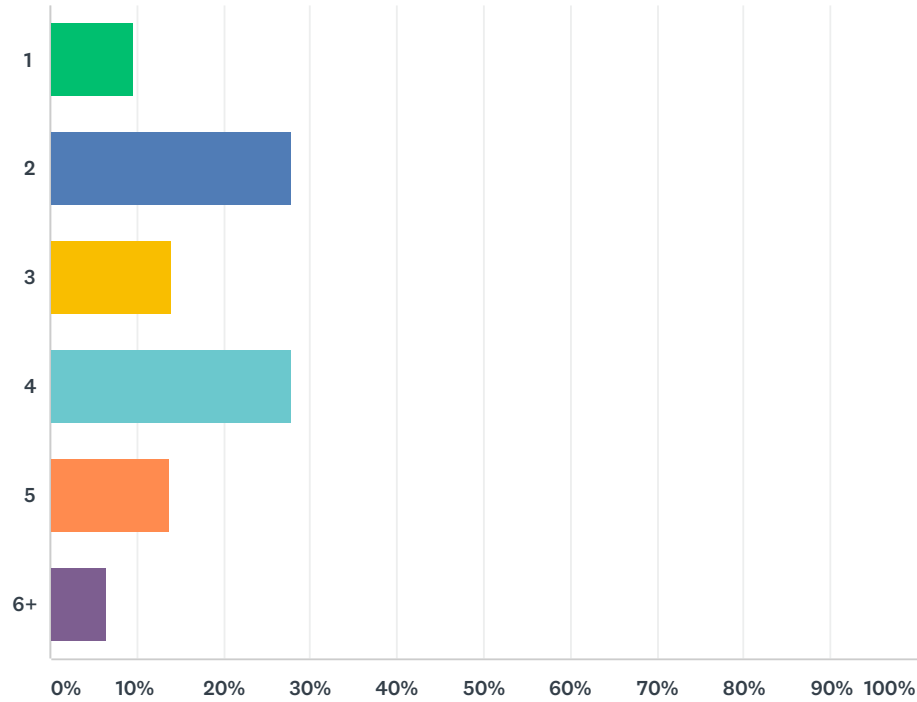
Answered: 319 Skipped: 61



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
18 - 24	0.94%	3
25 - 34	15.36%	49
35 - 44	38.87%	124
45 - 54	18.18%	58
55 - 64	15.67%	50
65 - 74	8.78%	28
75+	2.19%	7
TOTAL		319

Q18 Counting yourself, how many people live in your household?

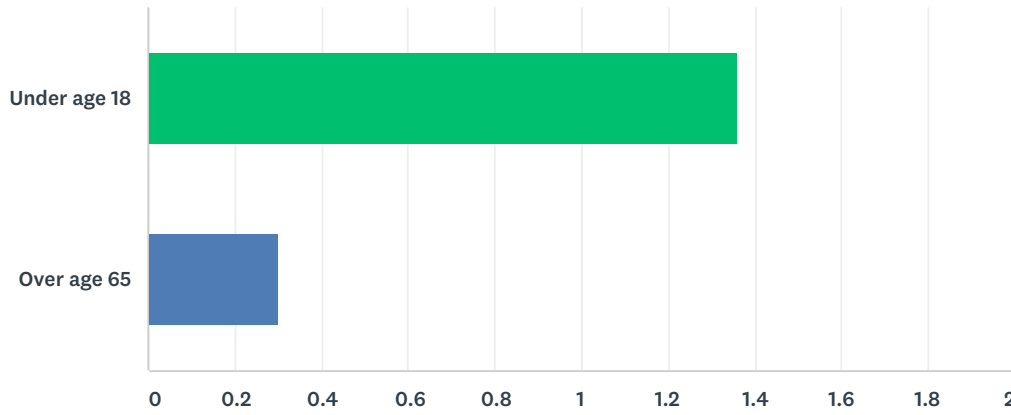
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	9.72%	31
2	27.90%	89
3	14.11%	45
4	27.90%	89
5	13.79%	44
6+	6.58%	21
TOTAL		319

Q19 Are any individuals in your household...

Answered: 319 Skipped: 61



	NONE	1	2	3+	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Under age 18	40.84% 127	16.08% 50	25.40% 79	17.68% 55	311	1.36
Over age 65	85.52% 254	6.06% 18	7.74% 23	0.67% 2	297	0.30

Q20 Please share any other comments or suggestions you have for the City of Appleton parks system.

Answered: 139 Skipped: 241

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	See Cincinnati riverside park.	10/28/2018 10:05 PM
2	1) We need a wooden castle-style playground such as Menominee Park in Oshkosh. 2) We need an INDOOR water park in Appleton.	10/28/2018 6:17 PM
3	Look for corporate sponsorship to offset costs and allow advertising at ball fields. I can only begin to tell you how years ago many business's were willing to give money to improve facilities and the city Park Dept wanted nothing to do with it. The excuses given would make you shake your head, but we moved on and just worried about our youth games realizing that this is big city now and the little guys don't have a say.	10/28/2018 5:32 PM
4	More trails in parks, more play options for kids	10/28/2018 5:41 AM
5	Peabody Park is lacking w lighting, access to all areas, maps, sidewalks along river/road.	10/27/2018 12:53 PM
6	Outdoor splash pad would be a great addition!	10/27/2018 11:47 AM
7	Softball diamonds at memorial park are in need of drainage improvement in the outfield, especially diamond 1. Becomes quite unsafe after rainfall, caused three injuries in games I played on that field this year.	10/27/2018 10:58 AM
8	And mowing earlier in the spring this last year or parked it and get mowed till the grass was almost a foot tall	10/27/2018 10:24 AM
9	Peabody Park needs sidewalks. It's so dangerous walking down thru the park with cars parked on both sides. It also needs a fishing pier. Work keeps getting done at Lutz and Telulah but it seems like Peabody is a forgotten park. Is it just because it doesn't connect to downtown? It needs a new pavilion too. Please consider mountain bike trails in Telulah. Most mountain bikers are older and have a good income. It would be an asset to have.	10/27/2018 9:13 AM
10	More paved trails and benches along the riverfront would be great. We are the Fox Cities, so let's bring tourism here by allowing public access to our riverfront.	10/27/2018 8:33 AM
11	Overall the parks are great. Would love more trails to connect parks -Vulcan to Lutz and Lutz to Pierce and Alisa. Some of the parks have ok restrooms. Improvements needed on some. Open area for a better view of the river at Pierce and Alisa would be great. Thank you for listening to our suggestions. We are very proud to live in Appleton and have a city that asks these questions... we also are very happy to pay taxes when we see the city using some of it to improve the cities appeal. :)	10/27/2018 8:33 AM
12	A Southside park equivalent to Memorial park is needed. A pool/splash pad, diamonds, basketball, trails, and open space would be nice. Southside deserves the love that North side ALWAYS sees.	10/27/2018 8:27 AM
13	Like to see more handicap disability playground equipment. They make swings and different things for people with special needs. And swings for a parent and baby to swing face to face.	10/27/2018 8:25 AM
14	Thanks for trying to improve!	10/27/2018 8:22 AM
15	I attend parc and Rec programs in the parks and think they are a great value for the fees being charged	10/26/2018 7:36 PM
16	Please bring the summer Playground program back to Woodland park!!! For the many kiddos near Horizons school, crossing Calumet to get to Derks or Schaefer for that wonderful program is not safe...too much traffic and too few traffic lights at the intersections.	10/26/2018 11:50 AM
17	improve safety of parks and cleanliness, install cameras and surveillance, do not allow alcohol in parks, keep green space maintained, don't allow loitering in parks	10/25/2018 9:26 PM

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18	We need a community center indoor room rental with a kitchen (not just the one) that is more reasonably priced. Use Menasha as a model.	10/24/2018 4:40 PM
19	Geese poop. Oh my! The geese poop is everywhere in the parks. You can't walk many places in a park without stepping on some.	10/24/2018 12:13 PM
20	-Need lighted activities/amenities after dark. Lights that can be manually turned on and run on timer. -ice rinks/sledding hills within walking distance -Parkour equipment -Misters/splash areas - Off road bike paths to community parks -Gaga ball pits -Natural elements for climbing/exploring - Winter events (large piles/tubes of snow for carving at parks, ski trails, snow golf, hills of snow from plows for climbing/making sled paths, etc.)	10/23/2018 7:30 PM
21	Keep up the good work. Please continue to strive to make parks accessible to pedestrians and cyclists and not just motor traffic! Healthier, vibrant cities have high walkability scores!!! Lets do this for Appleton!	10/22/2018 9:11 PM
22	Could you keep the restrooms open longer into the season?	10/22/2018 5:46 PM
23	I like to use the Appleton parks system because it offers better options for my child and is more inviting than where I live. I am outside of Appleton, and for me to have to pay more than the extra I am already paying would be difficult.	10/20/2018 8:20 AM
24	More dedicated pickleball courts would be nice!!	10/19/2018 3:21 PM
25	Do a great job. Progressive. For a City this size, the need for more dedicated athletic fields can't be understated.	10/18/2018 9:35 AM
26	More unpacked trails please. Negotiate a deal with the cemetery by Peabody. Great trail that should be retained.	10/18/2018 6:34 AM
27	We have wonderful parks and am so grateful for all the work that is done so that the community can enjoy them year round.	10/17/2018 9:44 AM
28	I would like more access to the water for kayaking. I would like more trails for walking and hiking.	10/17/2018 6:55 AM
29	There is so much Green open space, we need splash pads. Going to the only 2 pools gets overcrowded and not safe for toddlers! Please!	10/16/2018 8:56 PM
30	More trees need to be planted at Erb park. Many more were removed during construction than were replaced.	10/16/2018 8:28 PM
31	Would love more pickleball courts	10/16/2018 7:51 PM
32	Would really like to see some dedicated pickleball courts.	10/16/2018 6:26 PM
33	I would invite members of the parks committee to travel to Carter Woods Park any morning with acceptable weather conditions and you will see the need for dedicated PB courts	10/16/2018 6:04 PM
34	I've been reading and hearing a lot about natural/adventure parks for kids and the idea sounds awesome. They're basically more natural and raw spaces for kids to explore and create. I understand liability may be an issue but if other cities have navigated it I don't see why Appleton couldn't. With the family friendly environment we already have I think there would be a lot of community support for something like this.	10/16/2018 6:02 PM
35	Pickleball facilities would be appreciated. Grand Chute has done a great job, but Carter Woods Park is very overcrowded.	10/16/2018 4:25 PM
36	I think banning smoking and vaping in public parks/spaces is a great idea. I also feel there should be a lot more natural (not landscaped) self-sustaining foliage in the parks due to the positive effects on air quality and visual appeal.	10/16/2018 1:00 PM
37	Put an actual bathroom and basketball court in at Veteran's Park.	10/16/2018 12:29 PM
38	I expect to be disappointed by this. Mayor Hanna does little to make anything but downtown a priority.	10/16/2018 11:09 AM
39	Estabrook Park in Milwaukee, copy it. At the new park area by the river near Fratellos	10/16/2018 10:54 AM
40	we need more pickleball courts inside and out	10/16/2018 10:31 AM
41	Splash. Pad.	10/16/2018 9:53 AM

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42	Overall, I'm very happy with the Appleton parks. I hope a natural playground, like the one originally proposed for Jones Park, can be incorporated somewhere in the city soon. That would be a huge draw and make whatever park it's in a true destination for families looking for something different than the typical plastic playground. In general, the parks we have really add to our enjoyment of the city, and our neighborhood park was a huge part of why we chose the neighborhood we did. Thank you!	10/16/2018 9:39 AM
43	Free 'how to' days by a professional on tips and tricks in sports like tennis, foot ball, baseball ect.	10/16/2018 9:39 AM
44	We need (more) dedicated soccer fields & football fields for our city's youth!! The City's Park and Rec Dept really shafted Appleton families this Fall (2018) for Soccer as they gave up our children's rights to use the Scheel's Fields for our kids' Soccer games. Instead, our kids got stuck playing in a corner of Memorial Park that is not level OR mounded for any type of sports use, much less as a soccer field, and as a result, they've cancelled multiple games, and a ton of practices because the "soccer area" was flooded and soggy. HELLO!!! We live in Wisconsin - it gets rain!! What did they expect was going to happen this Fall?!? This has been such an abysmal Soccer season and we are sooooo ANGRY at the City of Appleton for bowing down to the whims of the private soccer club who demanded sole use of the Scheel's Fields, which resulted in the taxpayer's kids getting screwed this season. We obviously need a lot more dedicated soccer (& football) fields in our city so that the residents and taxpayer's children can use the fields WE pay for, instead of getting stuffed in some corner of a park somewhere. Maybe a new Athletic Director for the Park & Rec Dept. would help too!!	10/16/2018 9:31 AM
45	Stop the car clubs from using the parking lots at Memorial Park. They litter, make noise, do burnouts, stereos too loud and are just a nuisance.	10/16/2018 9:31 AM
46	The maintenance that is given, cleaning of parks in Appleton is amazing. Would love community bike rides. Would love more bicycle related items!	10/16/2018 9:30 AM
47	My grandchildren have really enjoyed splashpads in other communities. I think they are a wonderful investment (in addition to, not in place of, the public pools). They are a place younger children can play in the water when their parents aren't interested in getting wet. Also they are free (in the communities I have visited) which is great for families.	10/16/2018 9:28 AM
48	The pickleball facility at Carter Woods Park in Grand Chute is great but inadequate in number of courts. There have been times when there were a many as 24 people waiting. More needed in the area. A court specifically for pickleball is far superior to a tennis court with pickle lines painted on it.	10/16/2018 9:01 AM
49	More senior adult support is needed--programs for tennis, pickleball, VB, badminton, table tennis, horseshoes, or whatever there is interest for. Seniors want to be physically active and socially engaged--not just sedentary (like playing cards).	10/16/2018 2:57 AM
50	Read my comments on making Pickle Ball courts a priority.	10/15/2018 9:45 PM
51	I go to the exercise class Monday nights at pierce park. Love the class. But I don't like the homeless people hanging out in the pavilion harassing us as we work out. It's very scary and distracting!	10/15/2018 7:20 PM
52	We would really like a nice outdoor archery range on the south side. Memorial park in combined locks is the one we always go to. Memorial park in Appleton is lacking. I know we have the Reel shot but I prefer shooting outdoors.	10/15/2018 5:56 PM
53	I wuld really like to see more paved trails that connect together. Apple creek great, college ave great, downtown awesome. Would like more!	10/15/2018 5:44 PM
54	More paved trails	10/15/2018 5:18 PM
55	Create more trails around our waterways--Fox River has such potential.	10/15/2018 3:57 PM
56	It would be great to have the restrooms open all year round and for trails to have the snow cleared. Lighting the trails would also be very beneficial.	10/15/2018 2:49 PM
57	Consider keeping a bathroom (or two) maintained in the winter. Having a toddler, bathrooms are a game changer on where we can play. *I do understand why. Just adding a suggestion.	10/15/2018 2:48 PM
58	While the new lighting in Linwood park is helpful, I wonder if you have consulted with FVTC's Public Safety or Horticulture program (or a City's police department) to integrate "safety" with lighting? Sometimes new lighting "looks nice" but creates unintended shadow spots & more. The FVTC Horticulture Facebook page had something related to this on March 8 & it was very informative. Crime Prevention through Environmental Design https://www.facebook.com/HorticultureFVTC/	10/15/2018 2:16 PM

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59	Would like free splash pads	10/15/2018 1:48 PM
60	It would be great if we could have better security at parks.	10/15/2018 12:57 PM
61	Green Bay has 7 splash pads. Appleton has none. As a mom of 2 young boys, with a husband who works it is hard for me to take them to a pool by myself as the 5 year old is more capable in the water than the 2 year old but I still need to be by him and I can't be two places at once. A splash pad did offer safer summer fun for younger children	10/15/2018 12:10 PM
62	Kids are our future—plan for them, but include quiet areas for seniors to sit and enjoy nature, too.	10/15/2018 10:46 AM
63	More playground equipment at neighborhood parks, better soccer fields tjat arent a swamp when it rains.	10/15/2018 10:32 AM
64	Wisconsin weather can be tough! Having somewhere to take the kids to play in the cool weather would be great in building a healthy community. Unfortunately the business options in the area cost \$50 or more EACH visit for the size of our family. Even the YMCA membership is too costly for a 1 income family. We'd love a place that we could buy a punch card for (like the pools!) to go and run around and play on some equipment.	10/15/2018 10:31 AM
65	FYI: I didn't check that I used Jones Park in the last 12 months because it is under construction. If it were not under construction I would use it 6 days a week. Thanks for all you do for our park system!	10/15/2018 8:12 AM
66	We have to continue on the maintenance of our parks and trails to keep them looking good	10/15/2018 7:07 AM
67	I like the parks they r kept up on everything the parks r very clean no trash everywhere keep up the good work	10/14/2018 11:43 PM
68	I roller blade on the paved trails. Most could use resurfacing. I wish we had a huge trail system like Minneapolis does. □	10/14/2018 4:57 PM
69	General direction of parks and rec is good. More bike lanes, and bike parking racks needed though.	10/14/2018 3:33 PM
70	Slower speed limits around Parks, like school zones. Camera enforcement of traffic violations and pavilion/park areas.	10/13/2018 10:25 PM
71	Erb pool should have a lazy river added to it. I was very disappointed to see the city spent that much money on the park and that wasn't included.	10/13/2018 4:21 PM
72	More year-round restroom facilities (for year-round runners and walkers) and expanding the network of unlaced trails for running and mountain biking	10/13/2018 3:44 PM
73	The Highview Park neighborhood would like the teeter totter / see-saw to come back. The 2-5 year-old addition at Highview would be usable more often if it had been installed on a small berm instead of in a depression that fills with water every time it rains hard. Will the trees just west of the Highview playground ever provide shade? They look thin.	10/13/2018 3:15 PM
74	Please add dedicated Pickle Ball courts	10/12/2018 10:08 PM
75	The south side of Erb tennis courts need background & wind protection. Example - north side of Summit tennis courts.	10/12/2018 3:26 PM
76	Advertise more. Like update Park of the week. On email or ask Post Crescent to do a story on "your Appleton Parks".... Make it a summer adventure. Try to visit all Appleton Parks sometime during a one year time frame!	10/12/2018 3:08 PM
77	It bothers me that the restrooms at Derks park are always locked. The portal potty scares my children; I don't blame them. It is our favorite park and the closest to us.	10/12/2018 1:00 PM
78	I have only been here since May. Looking forward to cross country skiing!!	10/12/2018 11:49 AM
79	Only thing that comes to mind...Erb Park- during the lifeguard pool break, the kids all get out of the water while the staff use the diving boards and swim. I don't understand that type of break and think it's in extremely poor taste. The kids look on in complete confusion. Nonsensical and rude. Otherwise, I'm quite pleased.	10/12/2018 11:48 AM
80	Need more parks and pickleball courts on south east side of Appleton. Green Meadows courts are developing some pretty big cracks. Would be nice to have another bench by Green Meadows courts.	10/12/2018 11:44 AM
81	We need a dog park.	10/12/2018 11:23 AM

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82	We use the parks all year - would like restroom access later into the fall/winter as well as spring. Can we keep the restrooms at some parks open all year?	10/11/2018 8:58 PM
83	more hockey rinks would be great; newer playground equipment like at Fritsch or Fritse parks that have been redone in the past few years	10/11/2018 4:33 PM
84	Keep up the good work!	10/11/2018 3:43 PM
85	The City does a great job with its parks. We should be proud of what we have. I hope the future holds more imaginative landscape design and creating more draw to under-utilized parks through interesting and/or experimental and creative projects. Keep going!	10/11/2018 8:11 AM
86	I would love to visit a city park with my leashed dog. We are not able to enjoy them at all!	10/11/2018 5:55 AM
87	I live equidistant from City park, Peabody and Lawrence - easy walking distance to green spaces in every direction. I'm concerned about the condition of music/theatre performance spaces. E.g. the cable pass through at Houdini was messed up and had to be re-done. I'm hoping Jones Park won't have errors like that. Would be great to have another performance space somewhere like Leach Ampitheatre - perhaps under the bridge in Peabody park. We used to do shows under the old bridge there. Or maybe in Memorial park where there is more parking.	10/10/2018 10:49 PM
88	in China, it is common to have simple no-maintenance exercise machines in public parks -- I wish we could have some in Appleton too.	10/10/2018 10:05 PM
89	Public parks are one of the few remaining places where everyone is welcome, regardless of age, race, religion, educational level, etc. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy and be safe. Parks are essential to an open democracy. My hope is that the City officials place a priority on maintaining our parks for our people, and maintaining a balance between nature and development, with more focus on nature and habitat. We need fewer developed surfaces and more natural surfaces. Regarding Erb Park, I've lived near Erb Park for nearly 30 years and my family has enjoyed using it. That retaining pond that is new, resulting from the new development of the pool, is very worrisome to me. I am very concerned that someone is going to drown in that retaining pond someday - a small child that gets away from their adult, or someone who crashes through the ice. I'm rather surprised to see that was part of the plan for renovating the pool area and while I sincerely hope no one is ever harmed, I am afraid that will be just an accident waiting to happen.	10/10/2018 7:26 PM
90	I just LOVE everything about Memorial Park! Well done	10/10/2018 7:15 PM
91	So much of the river front is being developed and although I'm sure it's important for the city's economy, I would love to see some of the riverfront kept wooded & wild with trails so that folks can experience nature even in the city.	10/10/2018 4:37 PM
92	I am very eager to see Jones Park and the Peace Park and connector trails as well as the trestles.	10/10/2018 3:46 PM
93	more biking trails and public fishing areas would be great.	10/10/2018 8:33 AM
94	I hope the City will consider creating permeable surface parking lots for any new lots that need to be built, or to replace old lots that must be rebuilt.	10/9/2018 7:59 PM
95	Woodland Park has A LOT of drug use going on in the woods. You can find cans and needles on the ground in the woods. I understand the importance of woods, however, to keep that park and Horizons Elementary safe, perhaps that area could be used for a dedicated play area, ball fields, splash pad (considering Horizons is a low income school). At the very least, the wooded area should be cleaned up and maybe trimmed up so you can see into the woods to be able to report drug and other illegal activities.	10/9/2018 4:35 PM
96	Keep improving the parks we have.	10/9/2018 2:58 PM
97	The baseball diamonds at AMP are in desperate need of regular maintenance.	10/9/2018 2:37 PM
98	The city of Appleton has an inadequate number of acres dedicated to parklands and trails. A park is needed in the neighborhood west of CTH JJ and Meade Street. This area needs a neighborhood park and trail connections. Please continue the trail on CTH JJ, west of its current location near North High School. Please connect Plamann Park, Lecker Park and Bubolz with a trail as has been discussed for over 20 years. Our area could be awesome for attracting new residence if it could just up its game in parks and trails. Appleton definitely has a deficit in the number of parks and the mileage of asphalt trails. Please please continue the Apple Creek Trail. There are nearly traffic jams on it, it is so popular. Thank you.	10/9/2018 12:13 PM

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99	Anything you can think of to make parks more welcoming to older folks for socializing would be great! Also, promote the parks more. Remind people they are there. Targeting mailings about events in a certain neighborhood park. Get people wanting to use the parks, to meet there, to walk there, etc.	10/9/2018 10:21 AM
100	Our parks are great - just wish: restrooms were open longer into Fall season and opened earlier in Spring; restrooms added near playground in Memorial Park; not letting homeless sleep on benches near playgrounds	10/9/2018 9:25 AM
101	I'm a little bias'd because I work for the city, but I feel like overall everyone works very hard to keep the parks and facilities in the best condition possible!	10/9/2018 9:14 AM
102	It would be nice to have easier/better access to trail maps with areas of easy access marked	10/9/2018 6:15 AM
103	I like the new Erb pool I only wish it was deeper.	10/9/2018 5:49 AM
104	Please expand the summer camp program. It's such a great program and adds so much value to families.	10/9/2018 5:30 AM
105	Need more space for soccer and real size goals	10/8/2018 10:31 PM
106	Thanks for getting input from the community.	10/8/2018 9:32 PM
107	Please work to expand and connect local bike trails. It would also be great to see our paved trails cleared in the winter months, so they could be fully used year round.	10/8/2018 9:17 PM
108	Scheig is great but is an overpriced option for business gatherings. They compete with large meeting spaces and no one knows about it...They didn't even have Wi-Fi until recently and no one knows who to call or how to handle problems.	10/8/2018 8:35 PM
109	Thanks for doing this, are you asking students in our public and private schools to complete this?	10/8/2018 8:32 PM
110	I would like to see a dog park in the city that is better maintained than the county park. Its difficult when there are muddy areas to take a Lab. They just want to play in the mud! We have no kids.	10/8/2018 8:18 PM
111	I would LOVE to see something like this in Appleton: https://www.cbsnews.com/news/playgroundnyc-kids-making-their-own-adventures/ We have plenty of pre-fab play equipment. This would be something totally different.	10/8/2018 8:08 PM
112	Windscreen landscaping around tennis courts that don't have any would be wonderful.	10/8/2018 7:59 PM
113	You do great work and I'm proud to live here and raise my son here!	10/8/2018 6:38 PM
114	not that anything can be done about it, but don't like having dogs in parks. I am a dog owner, but they don't belong there. Not enough owners are good at keeping it clean!	10/8/2018 6:37 PM
115	Need areas where dogs can run unleashed. I feel we are very lucky and have a great park system.	10/8/2018 5:48 PM
116	Fence around Memorial Park's pond. My husband can't go there since he has PTSD from witnessing a toddler girl's near drowning. All retention ponds should be fenced that are near playgrounds and places children play.	10/8/2018 5:16 PM
117	Good work. Keep it up.	10/8/2018 4:47 PM
118	I would rather pay increase in taxes rather than fees	10/8/2018 4:29 PM
119	Excited to see what's coming. Desperately need safe bike trails within easy access to home--all over the city and surrounding towns.	10/8/2018 3:46 PM
120	Most are very nice. Would like to see more regular lawn chairs at the pools. Ecspecially at erb. The short ones that are not so low to the ground would be nice.	10/8/2018 2:44 PM
121	Thanks to all the hard-working staff there at Park & Rec. You do a great job with the resouces you have!	10/8/2018 2:41 PM
122	The park system is great! Love the activities that are available.	10/8/2018 2:35 PM
123	Winter biking is a great new sport, would love some trails. Also the paved biking system is way to short	10/8/2018 2:26 PM
124	Restrooms should be available year round in all parks, these are vital to outdoor activity and in many cases a stopping point during walks with younger children that can't make it home for the bathroom.	10/8/2018 2:23 PM

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125	Areas for dogs to run would be great!	10/8/2018 1:52 PM
126	Volleyball programs for 13-17 yr olds and adults including indoor and outdoor. More shade at the current parks other than trees. It gets hot and the kids have no where to rest other than tree shade. Most parks have trees far away from actual equipment.	10/8/2018 1:30 PM
127	Soccer has been a blowout this year. Big thumbs down. Hope I got see something resolved for next year play time!!	10/8/2018 1:26 PM
128	Increase sales tax to pay for park systems. Everyone uses them, do not keep taxing the property owner to death.	10/8/2018 1:15 PM
129	I do have concerns over the safety in parks... There are times I don't feel comfortable grabbing a drink on a run and do not let my kids go to the park alone (11, 14). Let people bring their dogs and have them stay on trails or pavement - the more people in the park, more eyes...	10/8/2018 12:55 PM
130	I think it would be nice to have a shelter and bathroom pavilion at Vosters park especially with the growing younger neighborhood especially for the summer park and rec program also more playground equipment	10/8/2018 12:54 PM
131	Memorial Park needs better maintenance of the geese problem. It's absolutely disgusting to walk on the paved trail covered in goose droppings, not to mention a health hazard. Schaefer Park safety needs to be addressed. I'm not comfortable letting my kids play at that park do to all of the random vehicles that pull up in front of the play area and sit there for a few minutes and then drive off. It's very creepy. The Gardens at Memorial Park are so beautiful. I with more parks offered that enjoyment. My children love walking through there and seeing all of the flowers.	10/8/2018 12:40 PM
132	We love Appleton parks and use them on a daily basis. We would love to see a smoking ban around park areas so our kids can enjoy them without negative health impacts.	10/8/2018 12:39 PM
133	More police presence.	10/8/2018 12:38 PM
134	I think the parks system does a great job of accommodating a broad range of outdoor activities to appeal to all age groups. I would love to see more water parks and splash pads and continued updating of the playgrounds. I'm excited to see what's next!	10/8/2018 12:37 PM
135	Better bathrooms are a Must! Open during winter would be nice.	10/8/2018 12:32 PM
136	I started using the Kayak launches last year and think they're great. It would be great to see more.	10/8/2018 12:30 PM
137	We need a splash pad. It's too far to go to Sherwood to use one. I'm glad you made Erb a pool, but you should put a splash pad in another park. Dogs in parks was a mistake. The trash cans closed over the winter at Erb and people would just leave bags of dog poo next to the trash. There's also people who let their dogs wander around on the playground area. Rather than just sticking to paths.	10/8/2018 12:30 PM
138	Would like more bathrooms/port a potties at the smaller parks. Bathrooms open year round(just during the day) and port a potties available year round where they currently are during summer (ie, summit park)	10/8/2018 12:29 PM
139	Would love to see a pump track built. Need to expand and make improvements to the archery range. Build pickle ball courts with correct net heights. More dedicated green space for league play with lights	10/8/2018 7:46 AM

Appendix B: User Group Survey and Responses



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Oshkosh, WI
Stakeholder/User Group Survey Response Summary



		Current Usage					Satisfaction	Rentals			Needs and Future Planning		Financial		Comments
#	Organization/User Group	Q2. How many events per season does your group host in the City of Appleton?	Q3. What is the approximate number of participants per event?	Q4. Do your events and activities attract people from Appleton area?	Q5. Which Appleton parks and recreation facilities does your group currently use?	Q6. If you do not currently use any parks or recreation department facilities, are there any that your organization is considering using or would like to use?	Q7. What is your current level of satisfaction with the overall condition of the Appleton park facilities?	Q8. Have you rented any of the Appleton park facilities?	Q9. Appleton facilities rented?	Q10. Rental and/or user experience?	Q11. What, if any, outdoor recreation facility shortages does your organization experience?	Q12. What, if any, immediate improvements would address your groups most urgent needs?	Q13. Willing and able to financially contribute?	Q14. Funding ideas?	Q15. Comments and suggestions?
1	Appleton Lacrosse Club	6	500	yes	none, currently.	Yes - Looking for a home for Appleton Youth Lacrosse	Very satisfied	yes	Shelter at Houdini Elem School	above average	Field Type or Sizes, Spectator Seating, Restrooms, Storage, Lighting, Fencing	We would love to partner with city to create 2 dedicated lacrosse fields for practice and games for our girls and boys youth programs	yes	Running additional tournaments and coaches clinics for increase hotel stays and fundraising.	skipped
2	Pickleball Fox Valley	We play 3-6 times per week	Up to 24	yes	Green Meadows, Linwood	We would love to use more, but there are no dedicated Pickleball courts and not enough tennis courts lined for Pickleball	Needs Improvement	no	skipped	skipped	Would really like to have dedicated Pickleball courts for the fastest growing sport in the Valley and the Country.	We need dedicated Pickleball courts on the North and the South side of Appleton.	not sure	not sure	Grand Chute has (6) dedicated Pickleball courts at Carter Woods. It is a nice facility, but we need something on the South/Southeast side of Appleton. Lighted would be nice, with 3 foot fencing around each court.
3	USA Youth Sports, Inc. (USA Sports Complex)	Soccer 6 major tournaments, 100's of league games Little League Baseball, 4-6 major tournaments, 75+ week night games U11-U18 Baseball 8-10 Weekend Tournaments Lacrosse 1 Tournament Wisconsin Gridiron Tournament and Festival 6 Neighborhood Beer Gardens (2nd Friday of each Month, May-September) National Frisbee Events	Major Soccer Tournaments 3000+ State Tournaments 2000+ League Games 50+ per game Little League Tournaments 250-500 Weekly League Games 200+ U11-U18 Baseball 350+ Wisconsin Gridiron 1000+ Frisbee 350+ Beer Gardens 300-600	yes	USA Sports Complex	skipped	Overall the complex is very satisfying, however it is in need of improvement and upgrades, especially the main pavilion	no	skipped	skipped	Field Type or Sizes, Spectator Seating, Restrooms, Storage, Lighting, Fencing	Plaza Upgrades, turf playing fields and field lights	yes	Besides the above mentioned, many sports facilities have access to city, county or state budgeted money.	We have a great outdoor sports facility in USA Sports Complex, however it is in need of upgrades to remain viable and competitive in the world of sports complexes. As it stands now millions of dollars come into the city because of the complex, we can't take that for granted. A similar argument can be made about the sports complex that was made for the Expo Center and PAC in regards to its value and need in the city and Fox Valley.
4	Jr. Patriot Baseball	14	50	yes	Hoover Park pony baseball field	skipped	Needs several updated features at both ball fields	yes	Hoover Park ball field	above average	Parking, Fencing, Field Underdrain, Comments:: Water issues remain in entire outfield and dugout areas	All Appleton ball fields need updated dugouts for safety with proper fencing and safety. A roof over the dugouts is really needed at all facilities. No place for players to go in event of lightning delays or even just light rain.	We have tried to offer some limited funds and have repeatedly been told that all fields need to look the same and no thank you.	Work with local big companies and actually offer possibilities of field sponsorship and advertising. We've offered this up in past also and told no thank you.	Just that there are a lot of folks who are committed to youth events that have great input on ways to improve facilities. I've been around about 15 years and have had kids grow up here. It's well known throughout the community (maybe a past thing) that if it wasn't the Park/Rec idea it won't happen. Years ago numerous youth groups tried to work with Appleton Park and it was impossible. Things seem a little better, hoping it continues. The small town feel is gone here, things are too bureaucratic which is why any suggestions or ideas are never considered. Many of us came from smaller towns where things just got done without so much red tape.
5	Alternatives Holistic Health & Wellness Center, LLC	3 per week	6	no	Erb Park and City Park I also use Carter Woods personally*	Erb Park if it had Pickleball courts	Need more public Pickleball courts	no	skipped	skipped	Need convenient restroom facilities at Carter Woods*	Bathroom facilities at Carter Woods	Perhaps. But I'm a small business so it wouldn't be much	Use existing property taxes and find these ideas	skipped
6	Fox Valley Pickleball league	Twice a week	30 plus	no	Carter woods*	skipped	Very satisfied	no	skipped	skipped	More pickleball courts	skipped	Not sure at this time	skipped	skipped
7	Pickleball Fox Valley	4	30	yes	Carter Woods*	skipped	Needs Improvement	no	skipped	skipped	skipped	More Outdoor Pickle ball courts	no	Fund Raisers	skipped
8	skipped	12	15	yes	Green Meadows Park	skipped	Satisfied	yes	Schaefer Park Pavilion	average	Would like dedicated pickleball courts	Tennis courts need maintenance. Cracks on courts should be repacked or tarred. Fences don't reach ground so balls escape court area	not at this time	district since pickleball is	Thanks for having well-drained courts. Our pickleball group typically plays at Lakepark swim and fitness, but enjoy these Green Meadiws tennis/ pickleball courts as well especially after it rains.
9	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped
10	skipped	200 or so	15 -40	yes	Carter Woods, YMCA, Thompson Center, Appleton Alliance Church, Menasha school, Lake Park Fitness, Oshkosh Tennis Club, Kroc* center in Green Bay	Other Parks would be great	Satisfied	no	skipped	skipped	Pickleball courts	More Pickleball courts	yes	Covert unused tennis courts over to Pickleball courts	Pickleball I growing exponentially and other communities have fund their support to be beneficial financially and culturally
11	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped
12	skipped	summer	12 to 30	yes	Carter Woods*	Fox Valley Pickleball	satisfied	no	skipped	skipped	skipped	More pickle ball courts	no	skipped	skipped
13	"myself"	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped
14	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	satisfied	no	skipped	skipped	Parking, Restrooms, Lighting	skipped	no	Rich donations	skipped
15	"YMCA members"	Every day	20-30	yes	Carter Woods and the downtown Y*	It would be great to have some pickleball courts especially since the tennis courts were removed from Einstein and Memorial parks. Indoor courts would be great too.	Needs Improvement	no	skipped	skipped	Pickleball courts	Dedicated pickleball courts	skipped	skipped	skipped
16	skipped	2-3/week	15-25	yes	Carter woods*, green meadow	Lake park	Satisfied	no	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	yes	skipped	skipped
17	skipped	52	29	yes	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	yes	skipped	skipped
18	"Pickleball player group at Carter Woods"	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped
19	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped
20	"self"	daily play at Carter Woods*	28-35	yes	Carter Woods*	skipped	have 8 or more waiting to play	No	skipped	skipped	but we could use 3 more.	more courts	others at present.	skipped	We appreciate all that you have done to date to enable us to enjoy pickleball. Thank you
21	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped
22	skipped	I play pickleball 5 days a week	Some days 30-40	yes	None. Appleton doesn't have true pickleball courts	Carter Woods*	haven't used many of the parks. I have ice skated at Pierce	skipped	skipped	skipped	skipped	Dedicated pickleball courts	group so I don't know	skipped	people I play with are retired. Help keep this group up people active and

Q1 Name and Contact Information

Answered: 21 Skipped: 1

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name	95.24%	20
Organization You are Representing	52.38%	11
Address	85.71%	18
Address 2	0.00%	0
City/Town	85.71%	18
State/Province	90.48%	19
ZIP/Postal Code	90.48%	19
Country	80.95%	17
Email Address	85.71%	18
Phone Number	90.48%	19

#	NAME	DATE
1	Jason Feucht	10/28/2018 4:56 PM
2	Louise Hennes	10/25/2018 1:15 AM
3	Amber Thomsen	10/24/2018 1:15 PM
4	Joe Ornstein	10/22/2018 7:59 PM
5	Beverly Payne	10/17/2018 11:39 AM
6	Debbie Golden	10/17/2018 5:50 AM
7	Karen Jakubek	10/16/2018 8:26 PM
8	JoAnn Stamm	10/16/2018 8:10 PM
9	Maria Beisenstein	10/16/2018 7:34 PM
10	Brian Tungate	10/16/2018 6:12 PM
11	Kate Trnka	10/16/2018 6:07 PM
12	Michelle Thomsen	10/16/2018 5:36 PM
13	Beverly Payne	10/16/2018 5:21 PM
14	Dave Stamm	10/16/2018 5:07 PM
15	Thomas Tralongo	10/16/2018 4:30 PM
16	Maureen johnson	10/16/2018 4:03 PM
17	Paul Espinosa	10/16/2018 1:17 PM
18	Ann Buenzli	10/16/2018 6:34 AM
19	Bruce Moriarty	10/16/2018 1:18 AM
20	Mary Lenhard	10/15/2018 9:07 PM
#	ORGANIZATION YOU ARE REPRESENTING	DATE
1	Jr. Patriot Baseball	10/28/2018 4:56 PM

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2	Pickelball player group at Carter Woods	10/25/2018 1:15 AM
3	Pickleball Fox Valley	10/24/2018 1:15 PM
4	USA Youth Sports, Inc. (USA Sports Complex)	10/22/2018 7:59 PM
5	Pickleball Fox Valley	10/17/2018 11:39 AM
6	YMCA members	10/16/2018 8:10 PM
7	Fox Valley Pickleball league	10/16/2018 7:34 PM
8	Myself	10/16/2018 6:12 PM
9	Alternatives Holistic Health & Wellness Center, LLC	10/16/2018 6:07 PM
10	Appleton Lacrosse Club	10/16/2018 1:17 PM
11	Self	10/15/2018 9:07 PM

Q2 How many events per season does your group host in the City of Appleton?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 7

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	14	10/28/2018 4:57 PM
2	4	10/24/2018 1:16 PM
3	Soccer 6 major tournaments, 100's of league games Little League Baseball, 4-6 major tournaments, 75+ week night games U11-U18 Baseball 8-10 Weekend Tournaments Lacrosse 1 Tournament Wisconsin Gridiron Tournament and Festival 6 Neighborhood Beer Gardens (2nd Friday of each Month, May-September) National Frisbee Events	10/22/2018 8:10 PM
4	We play 3-6 times per week	10/17/2018 1:20 PM
5	52	10/17/2018 5:50 AM
6	2-3/week	10/16/2018 8:28 PM
7	Every day	10/16/2018 8:14 PM
8	Twice a week	10/16/2018 7:36 PM
9	3 per week	10/16/2018 6:10 PM
10	Summer	10/16/2018 5:38 PM
11	200 or so	10/16/2018 5:10 PM
12	12	10/16/2018 4:05 PM
13	6	10/16/2018 1:17 PM
14	I play pickleball 5 days a week	10/16/2018 6:39 AM
15	Daily play at Carter Woods	10/15/2018 9:08 PM

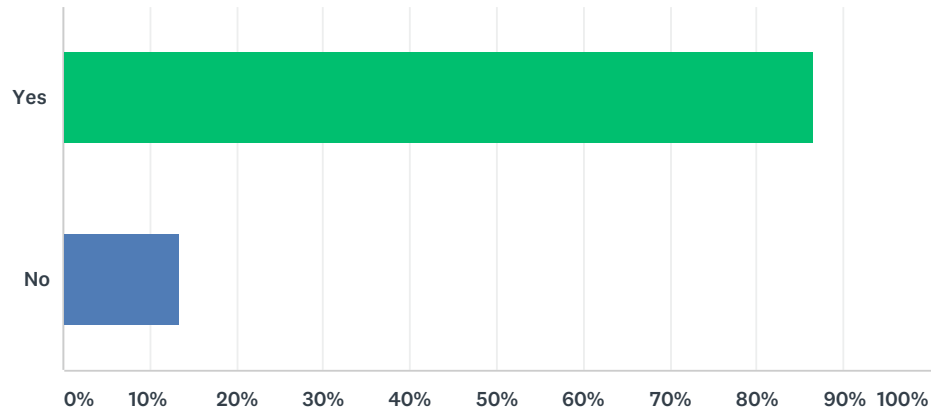
Q3 What is the approximate number of participants per event?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 7

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	50	10/28/2018 4:57 PM
2	30	10/24/2018 1:16 PM
3	Major Soccer Tournaments 3000+ State Tournments 2000+ League Games 50+ per game Little League Tournaments 250-500 Weekly League Games 200+ U11-U18 Baseball 350+ Wisconsin Gridiron 1000+ Frisbee 350+ Beer Gardens 300-600	10/22/2018 8:10 PM
4	Up to 24	10/17/2018 1:20 PM
5	29	10/17/2018 5:50 AM
6	15-25	10/16/2018 8:28 PM
7	20-30	10/16/2018 8:14 PM
8	30 plus	10/16/2018 7:36 PM
9	6	10/16/2018 6:10 PM
10	12-30	10/16/2018 5:38 PM
11	15 -40	10/16/2018 5:10 PM
12	15	10/16/2018 4:05 PM
13	500	10/16/2018 1:17 PM
14	Some days 30-40	10/16/2018 6:39 AM
15	28 to 35 individuals	10/15/2018 9:08 PM

Q4 Do your events and activities attract people from outside the Appleton area?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	86.67%	13
No	13.33%	2
TOTAL		15

Q5 Which Appleton parks and recreation facilities does your group / organization currently use?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 8

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Hoover Park pony baseball field	10/28/2018 4:57 PM
2	Carter Woods	10/24/2018 1:16 PM
3	USA Sports Complex	10/22/2018 8:10 PM
4	Green Meadows, Linwood	10/17/2018 1:20 PM
5	Carter woods, green meadow	10/16/2018 8:28 PM
6	Carter Woods and the downtown Y	10/16/2018 8:14 PM
7	Carter woods	10/16/2018 7:36 PM
8	Erb Park and City Park I also use Carter Woods personally	10/16/2018 6:10 PM
9	Carter Woods	10/16/2018 5:38 PM
10	Carter Woods, YMCA, Thompson Center, Appleton Alliance Church, Menasha school, Lake Park Fitness, Oshkosh Tennis Club, Kroc center in Green Bay	10/16/2018 5:10 PM
11	Green meadows	10/16/2018 4:05 PM
12	None Currently	10/16/2018 1:17 PM
13	None. Appleton doesn't have true pickleball courts	10/16/2018 6:39 AM
14	Carter Woods	10/15/2018 9:08 PM

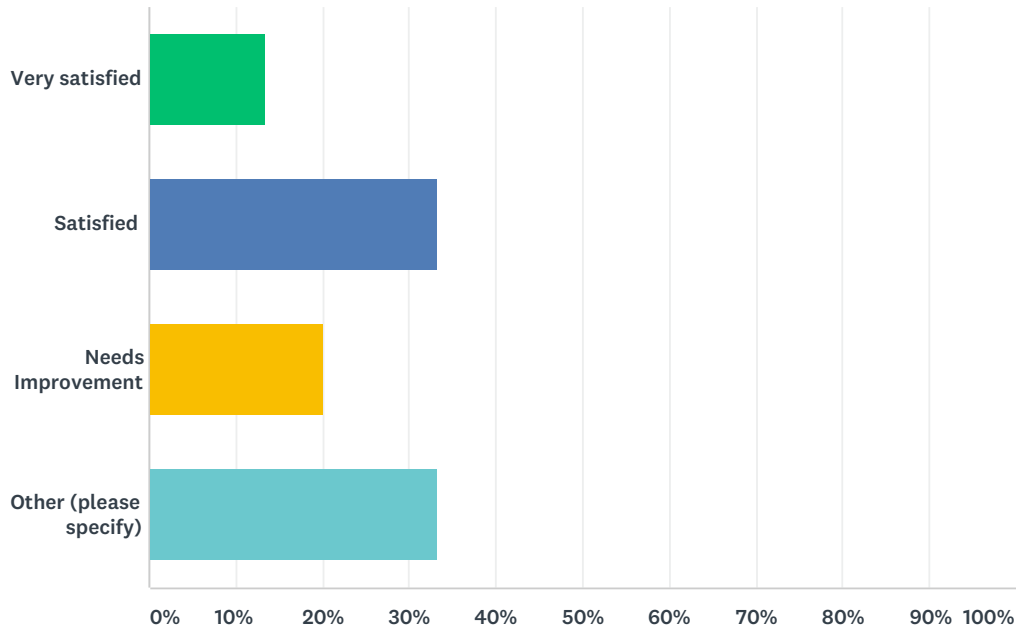
Q6 If you do not currently use any parks or recreation department facilities, are there any that your organization is considering using or would like to use?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 13

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	N/A	10/28/2018 4:57 PM
2	We would love to use more, but there are no dedicated Pickleball courts and not enough tennis courts lined for Pickleball.	10/17/2018 1:20 PM
3	Lake park	10/16/2018 8:28 PM
4	It would be great to have some pickleball courts especially since the tennis courts were removed from Einstein and Memorial parks. Indoor courts would be great too.	10/16/2018 8:14 PM
5	Erb Park if it had Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 6:10 PM
6	Fox Valley Pickleball	10/16/2018 5:38 PM
7	Other Parks would be great	10/16/2018 5:10 PM
8	Yes - Looking for a home for Appleton Youth Lacrosse	10/16/2018 1:17 PM
9	Carter Woods	10/16/2018 6:39 AM

Q7 What is your current level of satisfaction with the overall condition of the Appleton park facilities?

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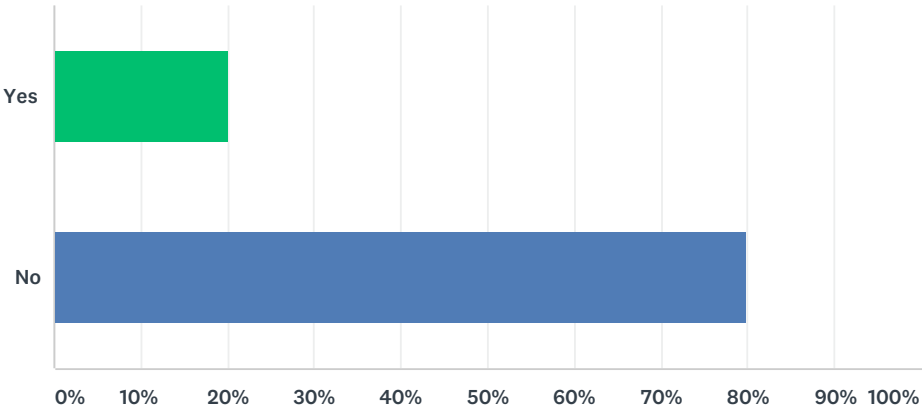


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Very satisfied	13.33% 2
Satisfied	33.33% 5
Needs Improvement	20.00% 3
Other (please specify)	33.33% 5
TOTAL	15

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Needs several updated features at both ball fields	10/28/2018 4:58 PM
2	Overall the complex is very satisfying, however it is in need of improvement and upgrades, especially the main pavilion	10/22/2018 8:11 PM
3	Need more public Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 6:11 PM
4	We have just moved here so haven't used many of the parks. I have ice skates at Pierce Park and that was great	10/16/2018 6:42 AM
5	We use all 6 courts and, at times, have 8 or more waiting to play	10/15/2018 9:09 PM

Q8 Have you rented any of the Appleton park facilities?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		20.00%	3
No		80.00%	12
TOTAL			15

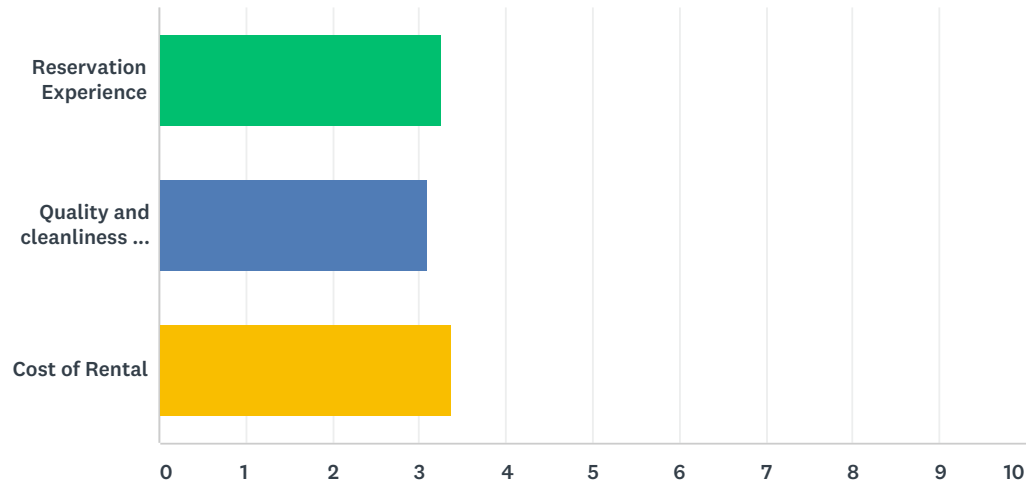
Q9 What Appleton park facilities have you rented?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 16

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Hoover Park ball field	10/28/2018 4:59 PM
2	none	10/17/2018 1:21 PM
3	None	10/16/2018 7:37 PM
4	Schaefer park pavilion	10/16/2018 4:06 PM
5	Shelter at Houdini Elem School	10/16/2018 1:18 PM
6	N/A	10/15/2018 9:10 PM

Q10 How was your rental and/or user experience?

Answered: 11 Skipped: 11

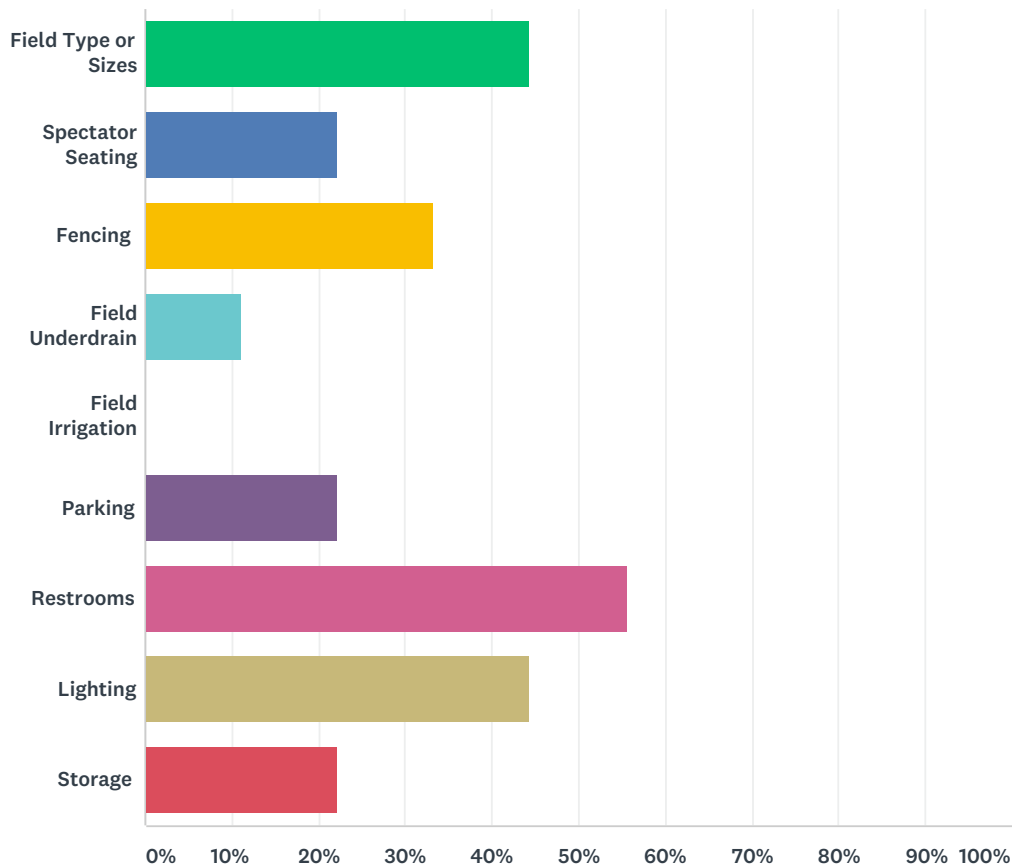


	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	N/A	(NO LABEL)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Reservation Experience	18.18% 2	9.09% 1	0.00% 0	72.73% 8	0.00% 0	11	3.27
Quality and cleanliness of facility	30.00% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	70.00% 7	0.00% 0	10	3.10
Cost of Rental	9.09% 1	18.18% 2	0.00% 0	72.73% 8	0.00% 0	11	3.36

#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	Would love more parks to have pickleball courts	10/16/2018 7:37 PM

Q11 What, if any, outdoor recreation facility shortages does your organization experience?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Field Type or Sizes	44.44%	4
Spectator Seating	22.22%	2
Fencing	33.33%	3
Field Underdrain	11.11%	1
Field Irrigation	0.00%	0
Parking	22.22%	2
Restrooms	55.56%	5
Lighting	44.44%	4
Storage	22.22%	2
Total Respondents: 9		

#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	Water issues remain in entire outfield and dugout areas	10/28/2018 5:02 PM

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2	Would really like to have dedicated Pickleball courts for the fastest growing sport in the Valley and the Country.	10/17/2018 1:23 PM
3	Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 8:16 PM
4	More pickleball courts	10/16/2018 7:37 PM
5	Need convenient restroom facilities at Carter Woods	10/16/2018 6:12 PM
6	Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 5:12 PM
7	Would like dedicated pickleball courts	10/16/2018 4:09 PM
8	The courts are fine but we could use 3 more.	10/15/2018 9:11 PM

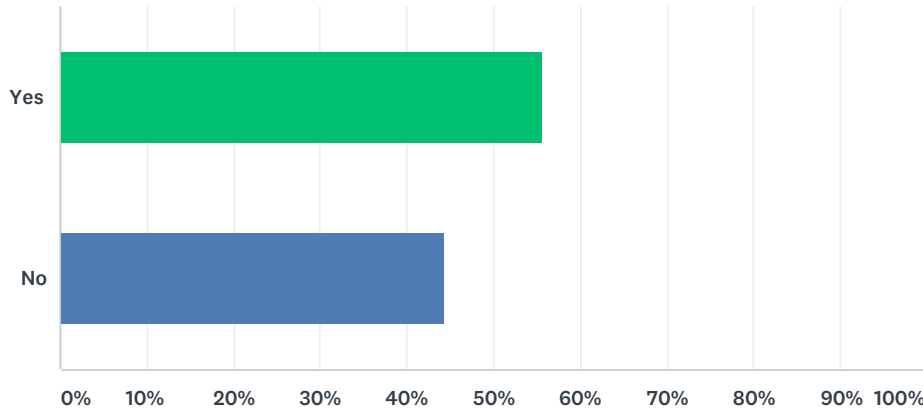
Q12 What, if any, immediate improvements would address your groups most urgent needs?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 9

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	All Appleton ball fields need updated dugouts for safety with proper fencing and safety A roof over the dugouts is really needed at all facilities. No place for players to go in event of lightning delays or even just light rain.	10/28/2018 5:02 PM
2	More Outdoor Pickle ball courts	10/24/2018 1:17 PM
3	Plaza Upgrades, turf playing fields and field lights	10/22/2018 8:13 PM
4	We need dedicated Pickleball courts on the North and the South side of Appleton.	10/17/2018 1:23 PM
5	N/a	10/16/2018 8:29 PM
6	Dedicated pickleball courts	10/16/2018 8:16 PM
7	Bathroom facilities at Carter Woods	10/16/2018 6:12 PM
8	More pickle ball courts	10/16/2018 5:39 PM
9	More Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 5:12 PM
10	Tennis courts need maintenance. Cracks on courts should be repacked or tarred. Fences don't reach ground so balls escape court area	10/16/2018 4:09 PM
11	We would love to partner with city to create 2 dedicated lacrosse fields for practice and games for our girls and boys youth programs	10/16/2018 1:19 PM
12	Dedicated pickleball courts	10/16/2018 6:43 AM
13	More courts	10/15/2018 9:11 PM

Q13 Over the years, the City of Appleton has partnered with a number of organizations, acquired grants, and received donations from individuals to construct or renovate many outdoor facilities. Would your group be willing and able to financially contribute to facility improvement projects?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	55.56% 5
No	44.44% 4
TOTAL	9

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	We have tried to offer some limited funds and have repeatedly been told that all fields need to look the same and no thank you.	10/28/2018 5:06 PM
2	not sure	10/17/2018 1:23 PM
3	Not sure at this time	10/16/2018 7:38 PM
4	Perhaps. But I'm a small business so it wouldn't be much	10/16/2018 6:13 PM
5	Not at this time	10/16/2018 4:11 PM
6	We are a loose knit group so I don't know	10/16/2018 6:45 AM
7	I cannot speak for others at present.	10/15/2018 9:13 PM

Q14 What other ideas do you have regarding funding for these types of community facilities?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 13

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Work with local big companies and actually offer possibilities of field sponsorship and advertising. We've offered this up in past also and told no thank you.	10/28/2018 5:06 PM
2	Fund Raisers	10/24/2018 1:18 PM
3	Besides the above mentioned, many sports facilities have access to city, county or state budgeted money.	10/22/2018 8:16 PM
4	not sure	10/17/2018 1:23 PM
5	Rich donations	10/16/2018 7:05 PM
6	Use existing property taxes and find these ideas	10/16/2018 6:13 PM
7	Covert unused tennis courts over to Pickleball courts	10/16/2018 5:12 PM
8	Working with the school district since pickleball is in the racquet curriculum	10/16/2018 4:11 PM
9	Running additional tournaments and coaches clinics for increase hotel stays and fundraising.	10/16/2018 1:20 PM

Q15 Please provide any additional comments and suggestions.

Answered: 7 Skipped: 15

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Just that there are a lot of folks who are committed to youth events that have great input on ways to improve facilities. I've been around about 15 years and have had kids grow up here. It's well known throughout the community (maybe a past thing) that if it wasn't the Park/Rec idea it won't happen. Years ago numerous youth groups tried to work with Appleton Park and it was impossible. Things seem a little better, hoping it continues. The small town feel is gone here, things are too bureaucratic which is why any suggestions or ideas are never considered. Many of us came from smaller towns where things just got done without so much red tape.	10/28/2018 5:11 PM
2	We have a great outdoor sports facility in USA Sports Complex, however it is in need of upgrades to remain viable and competitive in the world of sports complexes. As it stands now millions of dollars come into the city because of the complex, we can't take that for granted. A similar argument can be made about the sports complex that was made for the Expo Center and PAC in regards to its value and need in the city and Fox Valley.	10/22/2018 8:22 PM
3	Grand Chute has (6) dedicated Pickleball courts at Carter Woods. It is a nice facility, but we need something on the South/Southeast side of Appleton. Lighted would be nice, with 3 foot fencing around each court.	10/17/2018 1:25 PM
4	Pickleball I growing exponentially and other communities have fund their support to be beneficial financially and culturally	10/16/2018 5:14 PM
5	Thanks for having well-drained courts. Our pickleball group typically plays at Lakepark swim and fitness, but enjoy these Green Meadiws tennis/ pickleball courts as well especially after it rains.	10/16/2018 4:14 PM
6	Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the US. Most of the people I play with are retired. Help keep this group up people active and healthy	10/16/2018 6:48 AM
7	We appreciate all that you have done to date to enable us to enjoy pickleball. Thank you	10/15/2018 9:14 PM

Appendix C:

Suggested Outdoor Recreation Facility Development Standards



SUGGESTED OUTDOOR FACILITY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS				
Activity Format	Recommended Size and Dimensions	Recommended Space Requirements	Recommended Orientation	Service Radius and Location Notes
Badminton	Singles--17' x 44' Doubles-20' x 44' with 5' unobstructed area on both sides	1622 sq. ft.	Long axis north - south	¼ - ½ mile. Usually in school recreation center or church facility. Safe walking or biking or biking access.
Basketball 1. Youth 2. High School 3. Collegiate	46' - 50' x 84' 50' x 84' 50' x 94' with 5' unobstructed space all sides.	2400-3036 sq. ft. 5040-7280 sq. ft. 5600-7980 sq. ft.	Long axis north - south	¼ - ½ mile. Same as badminton. Outdoor courts in neighborhood/community parks, plus active recreation areas in other park settings.
Handball (3-4 wall)	20' x 40' with a minimum of 10' to rear of 3-wall court. Minimum 20' overhead clearance.	800 sq. ft. for 4-wall, 1000 sq. ft. for 3-wall.	Long axis is north - south. Front wall at north end.	15 - 30 min. travel time, 4-wall usually indoor as part of multi-purpose building. 3-2 all usually in park or school setting.
Ice Hockey	Rink 85' x 200' (Min. 85' x 185') Additional 5000 22,000 sq. ft. including support area.	22,000 sq. ft. including support area.	Long axis is north - south if outdoors.	½ - 1 hour travel time. Climate important consideration affecting no. of units. Best as part of multipurpose facility.
Tennis	36' x 78'. 12 ft. clearance on both ends.	Min. of 7,200 sq. ft. single court area (2 acres per complex)	Long axis north - south	¼ - ½ mile. Best in batteries of 2 - 4. Located in neighborhood/community park or near school site.
Volleyball	30' x 60'. Minimum of 6' clearance on all sides.	Minimum 4,000 sq. ft.	Long axis north - south	½ - 1 mile.
Baseball 1. Official 2. Little League	Baselines - 90' Pitching distance-60.5' Foul lines - min. 320' Center field - 400'+ Baselines - 60' Pitching distance - 46' Foul lines - 200' Center field - 200' - 250'	3.0 - 3.85 A min. 1.2 A min.	Locate home plate so pitcher is not throwing across sun, and batter not facing it. Line from home plate through pitchers mound to run east-northeast.	¼ - ½ mile. Part of neighborhood complex. Lighted fields part of community complex.
Field Hockey	180' x 300' with a minimum of 10' clearance on all sides.	Minimum 1.5 A	Fall season - Long axis northwest or southeast. For longer periods, north/south	15 - 30 minute travel time. Usually part of baseball, football, soccer complex in community park or adjacent to high school.
Football	160' x 360' with a minimum of 6' clearance on all sides.	Minimum 1.5 A	Same as field hockey.	15 - 30 min. travel time. Same as field hockey.
Soccer	195' to 225' x 330' to 360' with 10' minimum clearance on all sides.	1.7 - 2.1 A	Same as field hockey.	1 - 2 miles. Number of units depends on popularity. Youth popularity. Youth soccer on smaller fields adjacent to fields or neighborhood parks.
Golf - Driving Range	900' x 690' wide. Add 12' width each additional tee.	13.5 A for min. of 25 tees.	Long axis is southwest - northeast with golfer driving northeast.	30 minute travel time. Park of golf course complex. As separate unit may be privately operated.

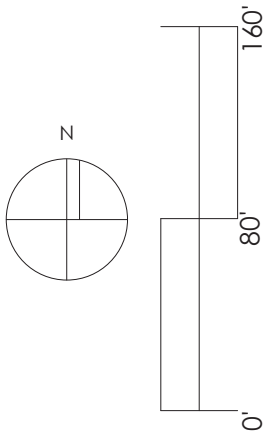
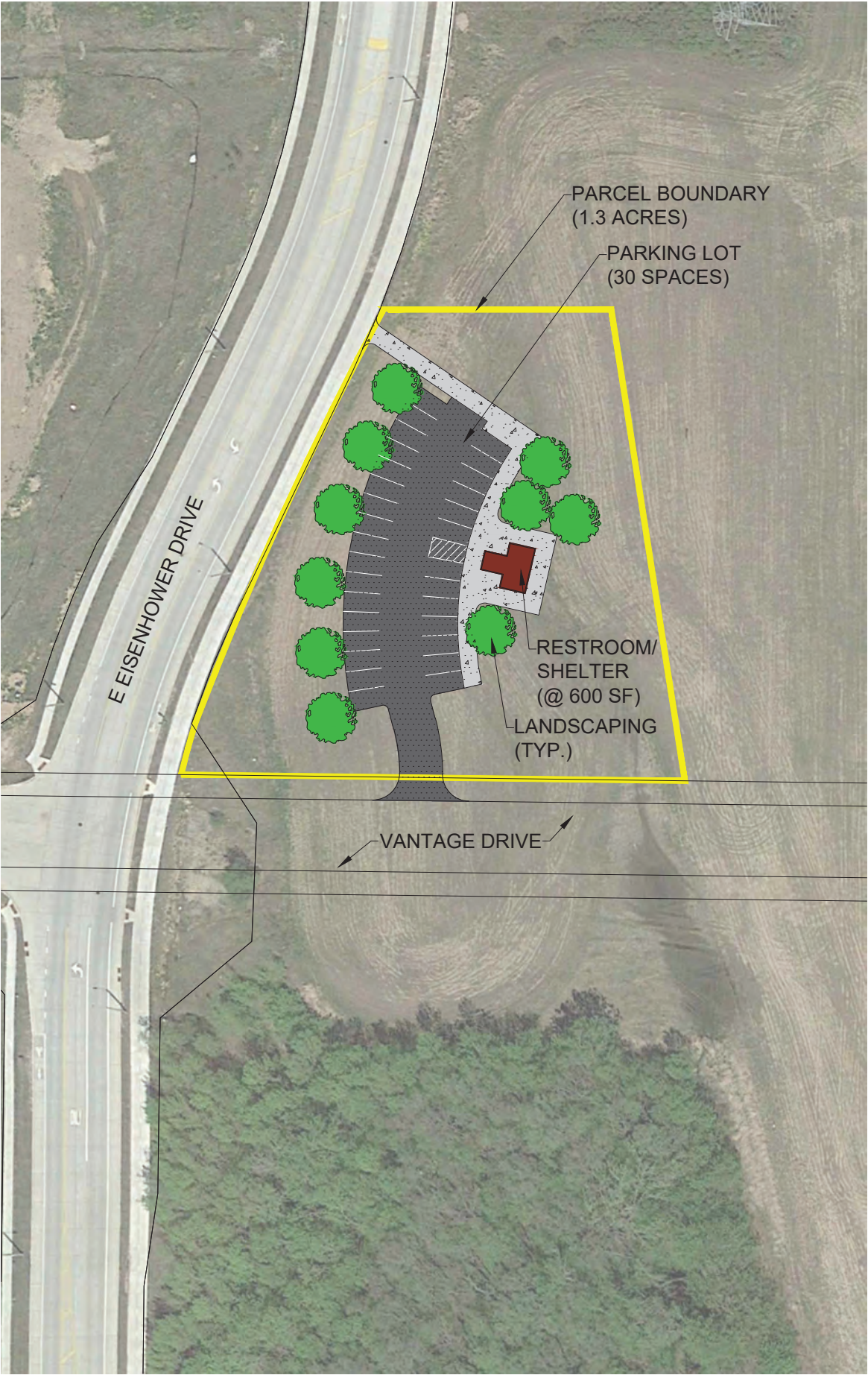
SUGGESTED OUTDOOR FACILITY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (continued)				
Activity Format	Recommended Size and Dimensions	Recommended Space Requirements	Recommended Orientation	Service Radius and Location Notes
¼ mile running track	Over-all width - 276' length - 600'. Track width for 8 - 4 lanes is 32'.	4.3 A	Long axis in sector from north to south to northwest - southeast, with finish line at north end.	15 - 30 minute travel time. Usually part of a high school or community park complex in combination with football, soccer, etc.
Softball	Baselines - 60' pitching distance - 45' men. 40' women Fast pitch field radius from plate - 225' Slow pitch - 275' (men) 250' (women)	1.5 - 2.0 A	Same as baseball. indimensions for 16".	¼ - ½ mile. Slight difference. May also be used for youth baseball.
Multiple use court (basketball, tennis, etc.)	120' x 80'	9,840 sq. ft.	Long axis of court with primary use north and south.	1 - 2 miles, in neighborhood or community parks.
Archery range	300' length x minimum 10' between targets. Roped, clear area on side of range minimum 30', clear space behind targets minimum of 90' x 45' with bunker.	Minimum 0.65 A	Archer facing north + or - 45 degrees.	30 minutes travel time. Part of a regional/metro complex.
Golf 1. Par 3 (18 hole) 2. 9-hole standard 3. 18-hole standard	Average length varies -600 - 2700 yards. Average length 2250 yards Average length 6500 yards.	50 - 60 A Minimum of 50 A Minimum 110 yards	Majority of holes on north/south axis	½ - 1 hour travel time 9-hole course can accommodate 350 people/day 500 - 550 people/day. Course may be located in community, district or regional/metro park.
Swimming pools	Teaching - min. 25 yards x 45' even depth of 3-4 ft. Competitive - min. 25 m x 16 m. Min. of 25 sq. ft. water surface per swimmer. Ration of 2 to 1 deck to water.	Varies on size of pool and amenities. Usually 1 - 2 A sites.	None, but care must be taken in siting life stations in relation to afternoon sun.	15 to 30 minutes travel time. Pools for general community use should be planned for teaching competitive and recreational purposes with enough to accommodate 1m and 3m diving boards. Located in community park or school site.
Beach areas	Beach area should have 50 sq. ft. of land and 50 sa. ft. of water per user. Turnover rate is 3. There should be a 3-4 A supporting area per A of beach.	N/A	N/A	½ to 1 hour travel time. Should have a sand bottom with a maximum slope of 5%. Boating areas completely segregated from swimming areas. In regional/metro parks.

Appendix D: Existing Park Master Plans

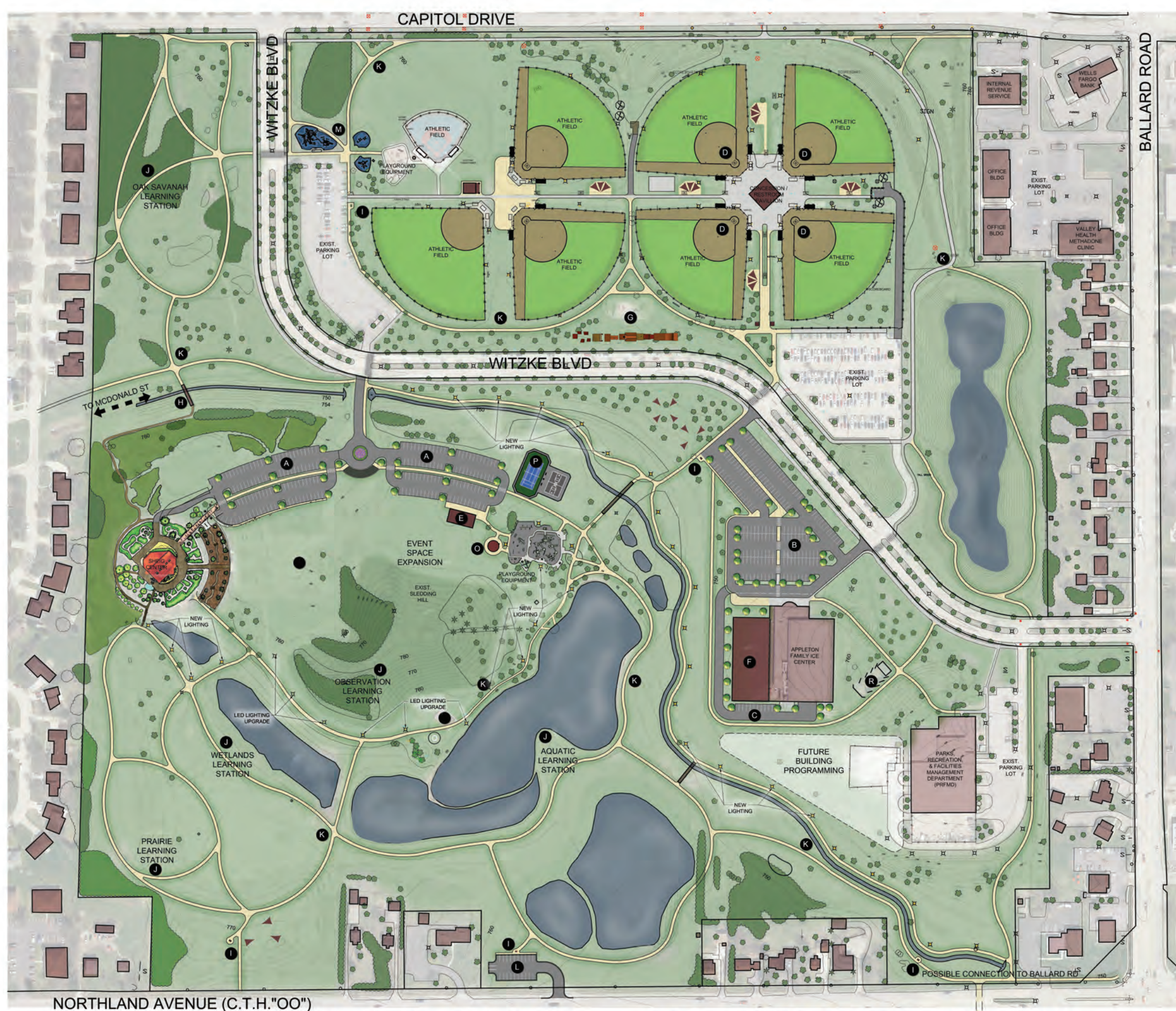


Southpoint Commerce Park Appleton, Wisconsin





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CITY OF APPLETON - MEMORIAL PARK

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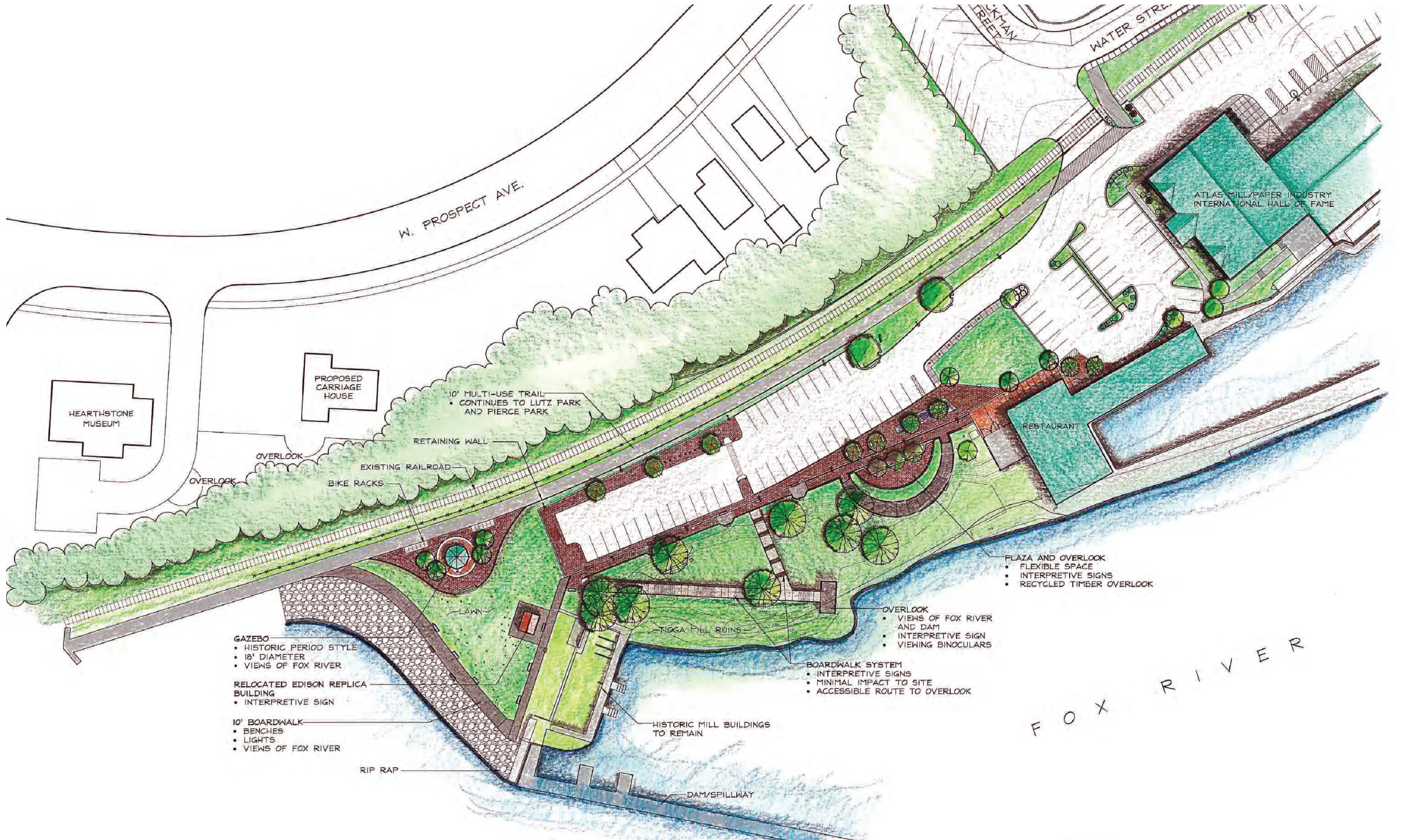


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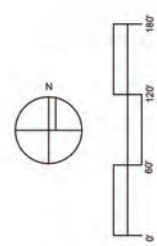


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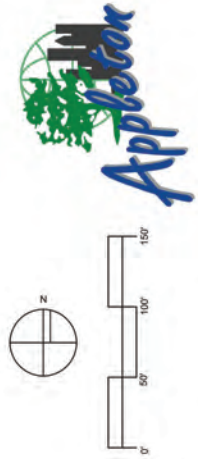


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APPLETON, WISCONSIN
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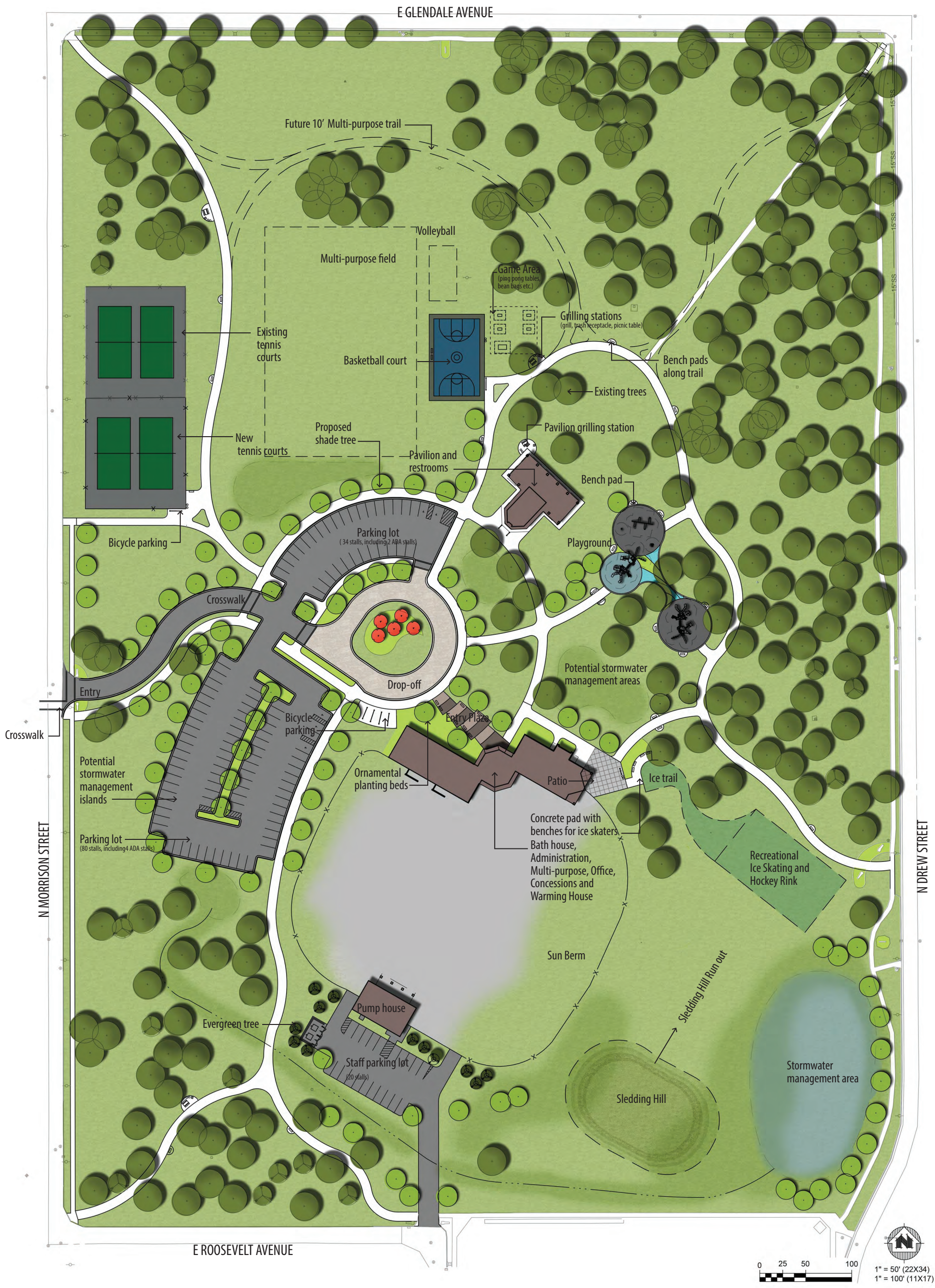


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FOX RIVER



LOWER TELULAH PARK MASTER PLAN - OVERALL
APPLETON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
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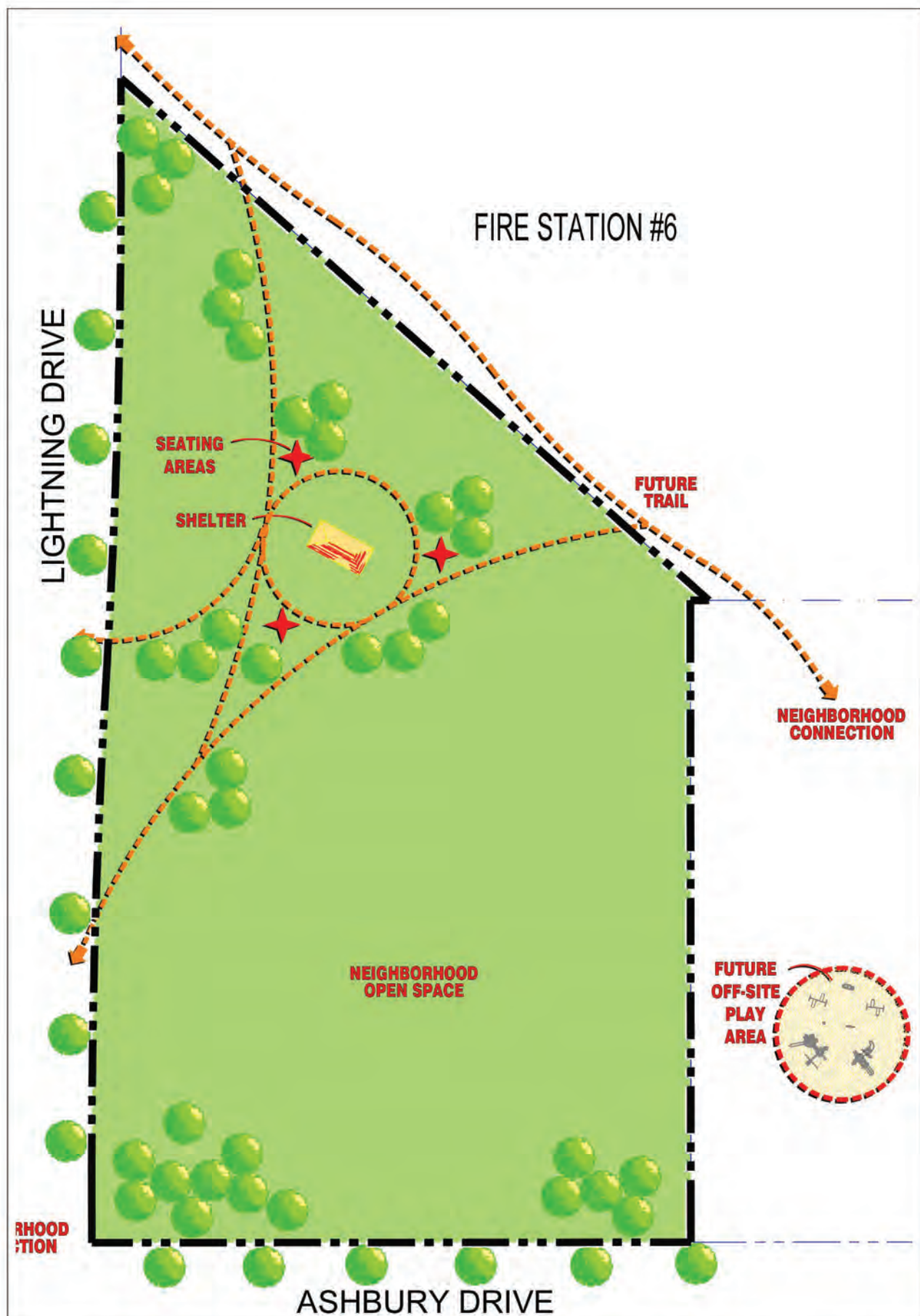
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City of Appleton, Wisconsin

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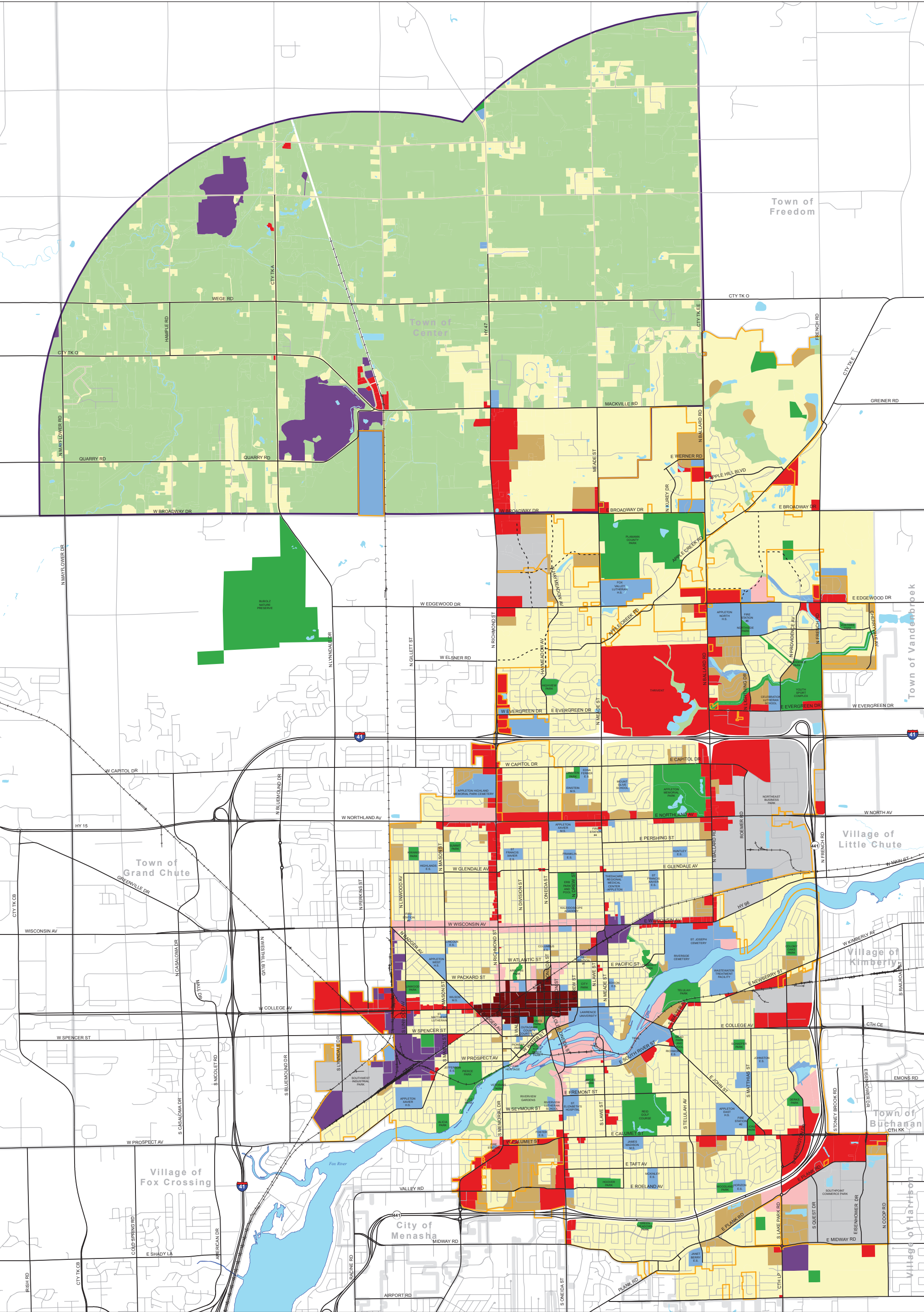






Appendix E: Appleton Maps and Documents





Future Land Use

- One and Two-Family Residential
- Multifamily Residential
- Commercial
- Mixed-Use
- Central Business District
- Business / Industrial
- Industrial
- Public / Institutional
- Public Parks and Open Space
- Agricultural and Private Open Space
- Ponds/Water
- Extraterritorial Jurisdiction
- Appleton City Limits
- Major Roads
- Roads
- Railroads
- Officially Mapped Roads

For additional detail on the Wisconsin Avenue Corridor, Richmond Street Corridor, South Oneida Street Corridor, Fox River Corridor, and Downtown, refer to the respective chapters in the Comprehensive Plan.

Future Land Use Map current as of October 2017. Latest version available at www.appleton.org



City of Appleton Zoning Map

Certification
In accordance with Section 23-38 of the Appleton Municipal Code, I,
Karen Harkness, Community and Economic Development Director,
hereby certify this Zoning Map is the Official Zoning Map adopted as part
of the Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance Number 74-04, at the June 2, 2004,
Common Council meeting and effective on June, 8, 2004, and as amended
is current as of October 23, 2015.

Karen Harkness
Community and Economic Development Director
Date: October 23, 2015

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of October, 2015

Notary Public, _____ County
My Commission Expires ____/____/____

- Zoning Districts**
- AG Agricultural
 - R-1A Single-Family
 - R-1B Single-Family
 - R-1C Central City Residential
 - R-2 Two-Family
 - R-3 Multifamily
 - P-1 Public Institutional
 - NC Nature Conservancy
 - C-O Commercial Office
 - C-1 Neighborhood Commercial
 - C-2 General Commercial
 - CBD Central Business District
 - P Parking
 - M-1 Industrial Park
 - M-2 General Industrial
 - PD Planned Development Overlay
 - City Limits

THIS MAP DOES NOT INCLUDE PARCEL LINES AND SHOULD NOT
BE USED TO IDENTIFY ZONING OF A SPECIFIC PARCEL.
Please use "My Neighborhood" on www.appleton.org for parcel specific
zoning or call the Community and Economic Development Department
(920-832-6468) to verify the zoning classification of a parcel.
The City of Appleton makes every effort to produce and publish the most
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Community & Economic
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October 2015



Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management Departmental Strategic Plan

Mission:

"Building communities and enriching lives where we live, work and play."

Community Values:

- Diverse park experiences and recreational opportunities
- Economical and accessible services
- Safe, healthy and sustainable environment
- Well maintained facilities and grounds
- Improved health and wellness

Vision:

A progressive leader in parks, recreation and facilities management.

Planning Assumptions

- Staffing levels will change
- Demographics of City will change
- Demands for services will increase
- Demand for local community based sports programs will increase.
- Community has numerous other leisure service-providers
- Unfunded mandates will increase
- Parks and recreation services are not generally considered as important as essential services or protective services and infrastructure
- Lack of indoor programming space limits our ability to provide efficient services
- Recreation partnerships continue to increase
- Increased need for senior programming

Key Strategies:

1. Provide clean, safe, sustainable and accessible parks, public facilities, public golf course, trails and recreational facilities.
2. Preserve and extend the useful life of real estate, hardscape, playground and other assets.
3. Provide lifelong experiences, healthy living and enrichment
4. Collaborate with partners to provide a wide-range of sustainable, accessible, and diverse recreation/leisure opportunities.
5. Maintain a two-way communication strategy that supports the parks, facilities, programs, and services to solicit input, measure performance and provide timely feedback.
6. Foster a quality workforce and positive work environment.
7. Protect open space, connect the community to nature, and engage the community in conservation practices.
8. Proactively pursue alternative funding sources earmarked directly toward program/facility development and delivery.
9. Embrace innovative technology to improve efficiency and effectiveness.
10. Engage with the City's diverse community and proactively respond to changing demographics, needs and trends.

Key Performance Measures:

Refer to individual Business Unit performance measures in annual budget.

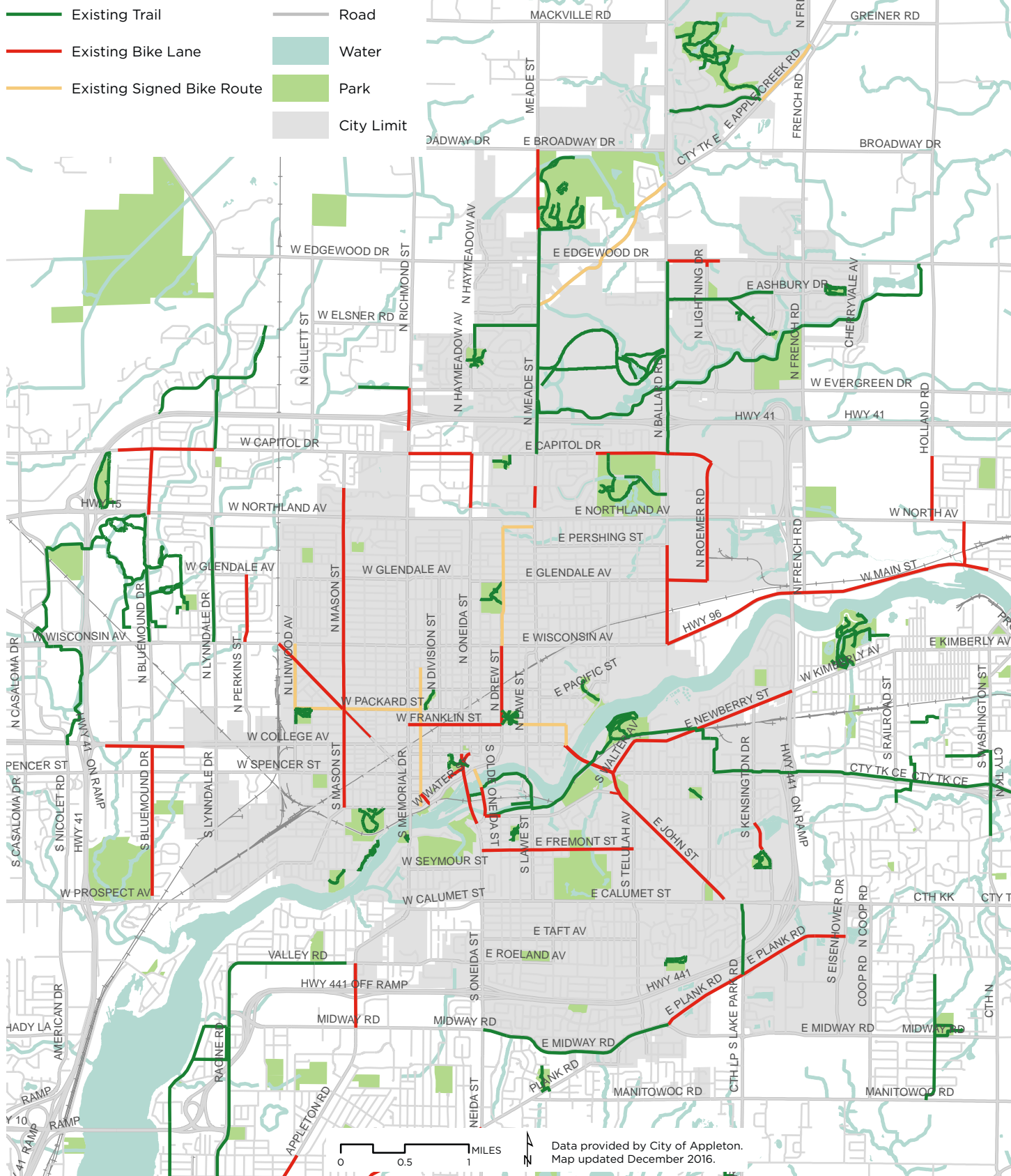
Operational Plans:

- Prepare and implement Master Plans and Capital Improvement Program for Parks, Golf Course and Facilities.
- Ensure our parks and facilities are code compliant, barrier free, safe, clean and accessible.
- Expand the trail system and provide connections to existing trails including converting riverfront trestle crossings to trails.
- Create and implement a playground replacement program.
- Preserve and extend the useful life of hardscape surfaces.
- Develop a life-cycle assessments program for fields, courts, and golf course amenities.
- Provide structured and unstructured recreational opportunities.
- Provide opportunities for improved health and wellness.
- Optimize social media, e-mail marketing and website engagement.
- Educate and encourage environmental stewardship.
- Maximize energy efficiency and the preservation of resources.
- Maintain low cost for capita and square footage for services provided.
- Coordinate the physical workplace with the people and processes within their environments.
- Implement a GIS work order mobile application for staff.
- Maintain a positive culture that attracts and retains the highest level of talent.
- Perform a Recreation Center Needs Analysis.
- Facilitate an inclusive work environment.

CITY OF APPLETON

TRAILS MASTER PLAN

EXISTING NETWORK



PROPOSED NETWORK

Trail

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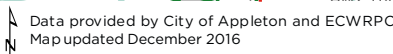
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— — — WIDOT Study

— Road

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 City Limit



CITY OF APPLETON 2020 BUDGET CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM PROJECT REQUEST

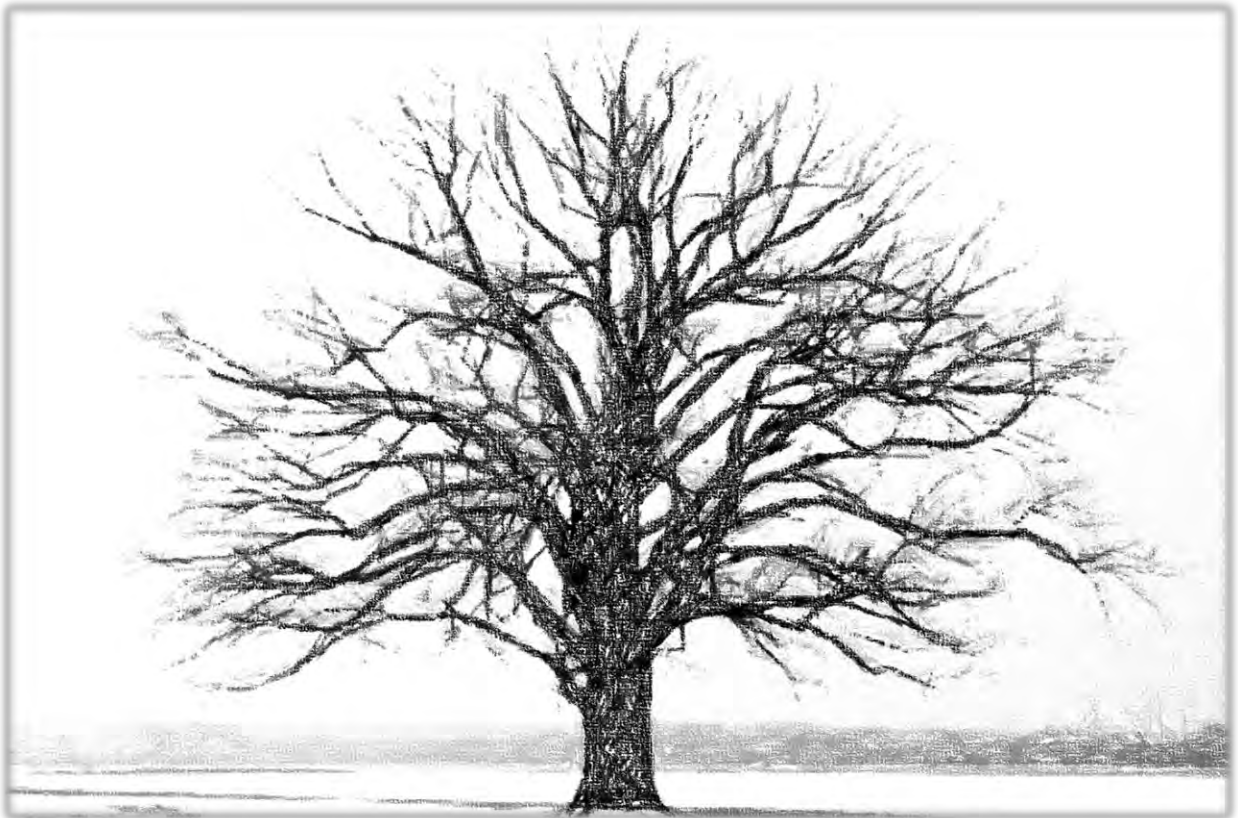
IDENTIFICATION	
Project Title:	Trails and Trail Connections

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<p>Justification:</p> <p>The Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management Department has worked closely with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee to identify trails and trail connections in the City of Appleton that meet the growing interest and demand for trails. This funding request will address the trails and/or trail connections listed below:</p> <p>City Trails: <u>City Trails Wayfinding Signage Project</u> - The CIP is a collaboration between DPW and PRFMD. This project will develop a wayfinding signage plan for on-street bike lanes, sidepaths, and trails with Best Practices and National Standard guidance used. The project will inventory local sign ordinances and existing signage, develop a city-wide wayfinding sign plan and guidelines, develop a brand for the city-wide system, and cost estimates for implementing and prioritizing. (2021) Design and consulting services for city wayfinding signage project. (2022 & 2023) Implementation of city wayfinding signage project.</p> <p><u>McDonald Street Trail</u> - (2020) Create connection from Witzke Blvd. to McDonald St.</p> <p>Edison Trestle Trail: This trail will be a river crossing that connects Ellen Kort Park to Old Oneida St. <u>Development of the Edison Trestle Trail</u> - (2019-2021) Design and construction of Edison Trestle Trail.</p> <p>Lawe Street Trestle Trail: The Lawe Street Trestle Trail will be a river crossing connecting Lawe St. to the Eagle Point Development. <u>Development of the Lawe Street Trestle Trail</u> - (2019-2020) Design and construction of the Lawe Street Trestle Trail.</p> <p>Lutz/Vulcan Trail: The Lutz/Vulcan trail will run along the river connecting the Lutz/Appleton Yacht Club trail to Vulcan Heritage Park. <u>Development of Lutz/Vulcan Trail</u> - (2022) Design services for the Lutz/Vulcan Trail will include: design, permitting approvals, and grant applications. (2023) Construction of the Lutz/Vulcan Trail.</p> <p>Riverview Gardens Trail: This trail will connect Veterans Park to the Newberry Trail while traveling along the riverfront. <u>Development of Riverview Gardens Trail</u> - (2023) Design services for the Riverview Gardens Trail will include: design, permitting approvals, and grant applications. (2024) Construction of the Riverview Gardens Trail.</p> <p>WE Energies Trail: The WE Energies Trail will connect South Oneida St. to Hoover Park and Woodland Park. <u>Development of WE Energies Trail</u> - (2021) Design services for the WE Energies Trail will include: design, permitting approvals, and grant applications. (2022) Construction of WE Energies Trail.</p> <p>Discussion of operating cost impact:</p> <p>Additional operating costs would be required to address the new trails and trail connections.</p>

DEPARTMENT COST SUMMARY						
DEPARTMENT PHASE	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
PRFM City Trails	65,000	90,000	100,000	100,000	-	\$ 355,000
Trestles	1,325,000	3,000,000	-	-	-	\$ 4,325,000
Lutz/Vulcan Trail	-	-	200,000	2,000,000	-	\$ 2,200,000
Riverview Gardens	-	-	-	125,000	2,000,000	\$ 2,125,000
WE Energies Trail	-	150,000	1,500,000	-	-	\$ 1,650,000
Total - Facilities Capital Projects	\$ 1,390,000	\$ 3,240,000	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 2,225,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 10,655,000
Fund						

COST ANALYSIS						
Estimated Cash Flows						
Components	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
Planning	75,000	300,000	100,000	135,000	-	\$ 610,000
Land Acquisition	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
Construction	1,315,000	2,940,000	1,700,000	2,090,000	2,000,000	\$ 10,045,000
Other	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
Total	\$ 1,390,000	\$ 3,240,000	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 2,225,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 10,655,000
Operating Cost Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Appendix F:
WI DNR 2019 Grant Program Guidance



2019 Grant Program Guidance

Stewardship Local Assistance Grants
Federal Land & Water Conservation Program
Federal Recreational Trails Program



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Introduction

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is committed to providing the public with high-quality, accessible outdoor recreation opportunities throughout the state. The DNR partners with communities and organizations to expand outdoor recreation via the following grant programs:

KNOWLES-NELSON STEWARDSHIP LOCAL ASSISTANCE GRANT SUBPROGRAMS

- Acquisition and Development of Local Parks (ADLP)
- Acquisition of Development Rights (ADR)
- Urban Green Space (UGS)
- Urban Rivers (UR)

FEDERAL RECREATION GRANT PROGRAMS

- Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)
- Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

This booklet contains information about each of these grant programs, application details, and criteria the DNR uses to rank applications and select projects. Up to 50% grant assistance is available to acquire and develop land for outdoor recreation. The Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, and RTP grant programs are very competitive. Typically, grant requests exceeded available funds by 3:1.

Stewardship Local Assistance grants provide opportunities for nature-based outdoor recreation activities where the primary focus or purpose is the appreciation or enjoyment of nature. Such activities include, but are not limited to, hiking, bicycling, wildlife or nature observation, camping, nature study, fishing, hunting, picnicking, cross-country skiing, canoeing and multi-use trail activities. Nature-based outdoor recreation is defined in NR 51.002(19), Wis. Admin. Code.

The Federal LWCF and RTP Grant Programs have unique eligibility criteria and funding priorities. For example, a broader range of outdoor recreation projects are eligible for LWCF and RTP grants relative to the nature-based outdoor recreation emphasis within the state Stewardship program. The DNR implements the LWCF and RTP grant programs in partnership with the National Park Service and Federal Highway Administration, respectively. Annual appropriations for the LWCF and RTP programs depend on the federal budget process. Availability of grants under these programs depends on the amount and timing of grant funds made available from the federal government.

Public access is fundamental to all grant programs. Reasonable public access is required for any property purchased or developed with grant funds. The DNR can help determine what constitutes appropriate and reasonable public access for grant-funded properties.

This booklet does not contain all of the materials and forms needed to apply for Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, or RTP grants. Applicants should visit the following DNR websites to download current application materials and forms:

- Stewardship Local Assistance - <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Stewardship/Grants/ApplyLUG.html>
- LWCF & RTP - <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Stewardship/Grants/FederalLUG.html>

Who to Call

There are many important details to understand when applying for a Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, or RTP grant. DNR Grant Specialists are located throughout the state and can help determine project eligibility and walk applicants through the grant process from project concept to final reimbursement. ***Applicants are encouraged to contact their regional Grant Specialist as early as possible in the planning stages of a project.*** A Grant Specialist can explain the various grant programs

in detail, determine eligibility, and provide assistance to make an application as competitive as possible. Contact information for each grant specialist is provided in this booklet and on the WDNR Stewardship website: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Stewardship/Grants/Contacts.html>. Regional Grant Specialists are also an excellent source of information about other DNR grant and loan programs.

Application Deadline & Grant Award Timeframe

The application deadline for this solicitation is **May 1, 2019**. Complete applications not received or postmarked by May 1 will not be considered for cost-sharing. Contact a regional Grant Specialist for information regarding required application components. Note that several application components such as a local adopted Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP), local resolutions, and appraisals can take time to complete.

The time between submitting a complete application and receiving a grant contract ranges from 6 to 12 months depending on the details of each project. While we strive to make grant awards as quickly as possible after applications are received, applicants should keep this timeframe in mind when applying for a Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, or RTP grant.

Additional reviews and approvals are required for projects with a grant award that exceeds \$250,000 or that propose to acquire a property on which hunting, trapping, fishing, hiking, or cross-country skiing activities would be restricted or prohibited. Contact a regional Grant Specialist for details.

Long-term Obligations for Grant Recipients

Terms and conditions for property acquired or developed with Stewardship, LWCF, or RTP grants are outlined in the grant contract and applicable state and federal statutes and codes. It is important for potential applicants to understand long-term obligations that are associated with these grant programs, as these obligations apply in perpetuity. Details about long-term obligations for grant recipients are available from regional Grant Specialists. The following are several key requirements.

- **Nature-Based Outdoor Activities:** Grant recipients must ensure that any property acquired with a Stewardship grant remains open to the public for nature based public outdoor activities (defined in ch. NR 52.02(7) Wis. Admin. Code as hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking and cross-country skiing), unless otherwise approved by the DNR Natural Resources Board (per the requirements of ch. NR 52, Wis. Admin. Code).
- **Ownership:** Grant recipients must retain legal control and oversight of the property (via ownership or lease) and maintain facilities on property acquired or developed with a Stewardship, LWCF, or RTP grant. Transfer of ownership of property acquired or developed with a Stewardship grant requires written approval from the DNR and/or applicable federal agency (for the LWCF and RTP programs).
- **Public Access:** Grant recipients must ensure that grant property remains open to the public for outdoor recreation, consistent with provisions of the original grant contract. Recipients can place reasonable access restrictions on grant properties (e.g. closing a park during nighttime hours).
- **Income:** Grant recipients may charge reasonable user fees to defray operation and maintenance costs. However, any income accruing to the property should be used for purposes that support the original grant contract.

Eligible Applicants

The following table summarizes entities and organizations that are eligible for Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, and RTP grant awards. Additional eligibility details for each program are provided in the “Program Description” sections below. Entities that are not directly eligible for these grant programs are encouraged to consider partnering with eligible entities.

A key consideration in eligibility for Stewardship Local Assistance and LWCF grants is whether or not an applicant has approved a local CORP or if the project is identified in the CORP approved by a unit of government other than the applicant. Applicants that do not have a current CORP should contact their Grant Specialist for information and assistance.

	Stewardship Local Assistance Subprograms				Land and Water Cons. Fund	Rec. Trails Program
	Acq. and Dev. of Local Parks	Acq. of Dev. Rights	Urban Green Space	Urban Rivers		
Local Governments (Towns, Villages, Cities, & Counties)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tribal Governments	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lake sanitary districts and public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts ¹	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Nonprofit conservation organizations (NCOs) whose primary purpose includes acquisition of property for conservation purposes ²	Y ³	N	Y ³	Y ³	N	N
Nonprofit organizations with a primary purpose of promoting, encouraging, or engaging in trail activities ⁴	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Incorporated trail organizations ⁴	N	N	N	N	N	Y
School districts	N	N	N	N	Y	Y

Notes:

- 1) Lake Sanitary Districts are further defined in s. 30.50 (4q), Wis. Stats.
- 2) NCOs are further defined in s. 23.0955(1) Wis. Stats., Ch. NR 51.002(21) Wis. Admin. Code, and Ch. NR 51.04 Wis. Admin. Code.
- 3) NCOs are eligible to receive Local Assistance Grants for land acquisition projects only.
- 4) Further defined in Ch. 181, Wis. Stats.

Reimbursement

Payment of grant funds is on a reimbursement basis. A 50% advance payment of the grant award may be available for development projects, depending on the grant subprogram. Accurate and comprehensive documentation of project costs is critical. As applicable to the project and grant program, applicants will be required to submit DNR Grant Payment Request (Form 8700-001) and detailed documentation (e.g. proof-of-purchase, proof-of-payment, force account details, etc.) prior to reimbursement. Land acquisition projects and projects funded under federal grant programs have unique documentation requirements.

Costs eligible for reimbursement vary by grant program and project type. For example, pre-engineering costs for development projects are typically eligible for reimbursement in the LWCF program but are not eligible under RTP grants. Administrative costs, construction expenses or materials purchased prior to issuance of the grant agreement, costs to prepare the grant application, and costs to prepare a local CORP are not eligible for reimbursement under Stewardship grants. Contact a regional Grant Specialist for more information about eligible and ineligible costs for each grant program and reimbursement documentation requirements.

Prior to final reimbursement, grant recipients also need to demonstrate that the affected property title does not contain any issues that impact the legal authority of the applicant to construct the proposed development project or acquire the grant-funded property. Applicants are encouraged to conduct a title search as early as possible in the project development process and discuss any issues with a Grant Specialist.

Applicant Share (i.e. Sponsor Match)

Project applicants are required to provide matching funds equal to or greater than the amount of the grant award (i.e. 50% match). Eligible sources of matching funds vary depending on the grant program. All sources of match must be identified in the grant application. Following are common sources of matching funds:

- Applicant funds.
- Financial donations from private organizations and individuals.
- In-kind labor, equipment, and materials provided by the applicant (i.e. “Force account” match)
- In-kind donations of labor, services, materials, and equipment from private organizations and individuals. Professional service donations (e.g. engineering services, landscape design, etc.) are valued at an hourly rate consistent with similar professionals in the same part of the state. Donations of unskilled labor are calculated at an hourly rate consistent with the state minimum wage.
- Grants from federal programs typically can be used to match Stewardship grants and vice versa. However, eligibility varies by program. Contact a regional Grant Specialist for more information about eligible grant-based match.
- Donation of land from a third party. Donating property is an excellent way for private organizations and individuals to support public outdoor recreation. Up to 50% of the fair market value of property donated by a third party may be used as applicant match. Following are several key considerations regarding donated property used as match:
 - To be considered as match, the sponsor must provide an appraisal deemed acceptable for grant purposes by a DNR review appraiser. This process does not apply to other sources of matching funds. Applicants are encouraged to potential impacts to the timing of their project when considering use of donated property as match.
 - Donated property must be eligible for the same grant program for which it is being proposed as match.

- Upon completion of the project, the donated property becomes subject to terms of the grant contract and program for which it was provided as match.
- Donated property must have been received by the applicant no more than three years prior to the date of application.
- Donated property is subject to the same appraisal requirements as property acquired with grant funds.
- Donated property must have been in private ownership and not previously dedicated to public outdoor recreation or conservation purposes.
- For some projects, the value of match property can affect the amount of the eligible grant award.

A note about wage requirements for grant-funded development projects. "Prevailing wage" is the rate paid for any trade or occupation engaged in a public works project, including the hourly basic rate of pay, plus the hourly contribution for benefits.

- Stewardship projects: Wisconsin Act 55 (2015) made significant changes to Wisconsin's prevailing wage laws. Projects supported by a Stewardship local assistance grant are considered local projects for purposes of prevailing wage requirements.
- LWCF projects: Grant recipients will need to comply with federal Davis-Bacon Act wage requirements when hiring contractors.
- RTP projects: For projects that receive an RTP grant, the prevailing rate of wage applies "...on highway projects on the Federal-Aid highways authorized under the highway laws providing for expenditure of Federal funds upon the Federal-aid systems..." [23 U.S.C. 113(a)]. Under title 23, all public roads are "Federal-aid highways", except those that are functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors. The Federal Highway Administration interprets the language of §113(a) as applying only when a Federal-aid project takes place within the right-of-way of a Federal-aid highway. Therefore, if an RTP project is within the right-of-way of a Federal-aid highway, Davis-Bacon Act wage rates must be followed. If an RTP project is not within the right-of-way of a Federal-aid highway, then 23 U.S.C. 113(a) does not apply.

Property Appraisals

Property appraisals are a key component of all acquisition projects. State law requires that Stewardship grants for land and conservation easement acquisition must be based on current fair market value of the land and further specifies how DNR must determine that value. Appraisal requirements also apply to any property proposed as match for acquisition or development projects.

For Stewardship grant projects where an appraisal is necessary, a current full narrative appraisal that meets current State guidelines is required. LWCF and RTP grant project appraisals also need to meet the most current Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (i.e. "Yellow Book") standards. All appraisals must reflect current market value and identify DNR as an intended user. A DNR review appraiser reviews all appraisals for proposed grant awards. Appraisals must be deemed acceptable for grant purposes before DNR can calculate a grant award and execute a contract. DNR strongly encourages pre-appraisal consultation between the applicant's appraiser and a DNR Review Appraiser.

Note that appraisals and DNR review can extend the timeframe between tentative grant award and contract execution. Call a regional Grant Specialist to discuss appraisal requirements and obtain a current copy of the DNR Appraisal Guidelines before initiating the appraisal process.

Notes Regarding Acquisition Projects

Acquisition of property that provides public outdoor park and recreation areas, open space near urban areas, or river access are typically eligible for Stewardship and LWCF land acquisition grants. Land acquisitions for Local Assistance, LWCF, and RTP grant programs must occur in accordance with state and federal guidelines for preparation of appraisals and eligible transaction costs. Following are several highlights regarding grant-funded land acquisition. Please also see the DNR Land Acquisition Guidelines for more details.

- *Condemnation/Eminent Domain:* Grant-funded land acquisitions must be on a willing-seller willing-buyer basis. State law prohibits the expenditure of Stewardship grant funds for acquisition or development of property acquired via condemnation.
- *Property Value:* Grant awards for land acquisition (and property used as match) are based on the appraised value or the purchase price, whichever is less. Special provisions apply in cases where the current landowner has owned the grant or match property for less than three years.
- *Eligible Costs:* Eligible acquisition costs include the fair market value of the property/actual purchase price and, depending on the grant program, a portion of real estate transaction costs (e.g. appraisal costs, land surveys, relocation payments). If the property value for a proposed grant-funded acquisition or match land exceeds \$350,000, State law requires that DNR consider two appraisals when calculating a grant award. The applicant must provide one appraisal, and the DNR will contract the other. Provided that both appraisals are deemed acceptable for grant purposes, grant calculation will be based on the lower of the two acceptable appraisals.
- *Pre-grant Acquisition:* No land can be acquired prior to the date of grant award unless the sponsor receives a letter of retroactivity. For Stewardship grants, this letter is provided by the Department. For LWCF grants, letters from both the Department and NPS are required. Any applicants who anticipate acquiring property prior to grant award should contact a Grant Specialist prior to submitting an application to request a state/federal letter of retroactivity.
- *Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) Review:* Per s. 32.035 Wis. Stats., the DATCP Bureau of Land and Water Resources reviews land acquisitions proposed by local governments, state agencies, and private companies building utilities to determine the magnitude of potential agricultural resource impacts that may result from the acquisition. As noted in the criteria below, applicants are responsible for requesting DATCP review and submitting documentation of the request with the grant application. If received prior to the application due date, applicants should also submit a copy of the DATCP agricultural impact determination. All applicants considering a grant application to help purchase agricultural land are encouraged to discuss the project with DNR grant staff before applying.

Prior to scoring prospective land acquisition projects from both nonprofit and local government applicants, the DNR will evaluate the following:

- *Agricultural Resources and Potential:* Agriculture contributes \$88.3 billion annually to the economy in Wisconsin, employing approximately 12% of the state's workforce. Reflecting the importance of agriculture in Wisconsin's economy, the DNR will evaluate a property's agricultural resources prior to rating and ranking any proposed acquisition project. The DNR asks that applicants submit information regarding any agricultural land and uses of property prior to or with grant application material.

DNR will closely consider acquisition of: 1) high quality agricultural lands; 2) property that is likely to remain in agricultural use; and 3) property that is isolated from other public access or conservation lands. Applicants considering a grant application to purchase agricultural land are encouraged to discuss the project with DNR grant staff before applying.

- *Ease of Public Access:* Pursuant to s. 23.0916 Wis. Stats., Stewardship funded land purchases must be open to the public. Knowles-Nelson Stewardship grants are one tool the DNR uses to expand and enhance public access to nature-based outdoor recreation – a priority for the DNR. The DNR will evaluate feasibility of public access on a case-by-case basis, considering the size, shape, topography, and/or remote location of a parcel. The DNR will consider the practicality of public access before scoring and ranking prospective land acquisition projects.

DNR will carefully consider projects that benefit a very limited population and/or are remote enough that members of the public are unlikely to visit. Applicants considering purchasing land that may have public access challenges are advised to discuss the project with DNR grant staff before applying.

Notes Regarding Development Projects

Grant awards for development projects are based on costs associated with the development activities outlined in the grant application. Note that construction costs incurred prior to the date of the grant award are not eligible for reimbursement. For development projects supported with Stewardship grants, applicants must own the property or have a lease that provides legal access for the purposes of the project. The lease must have a minimum 25-year duration as of the date of application.

For RTP grants, the applicant must own the grant property or possess a legally binding agreement that ensures public access to the trail. For LWCF grants, the applicant must possess legal control of the property in order to provide reasonable assurance that they have approval authority for any changes to public access and/or recreational opportunities on the subject property.

A wide variety of project types are eligible for development grants. Development projects supported with Stewardship grants must provide nature-based recreation opportunities. Development projects supported with LWCF grants can also support active outdoor recreation facilities such as athletic fields.

The following activities are common examples of projects supported by Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, and RTP grants:

- Trails, trailheads, and associated trail amenities (e.g. restrooms, benches, lighting)
- Canoe/kayak launches
- Fishing piers
- Day-use picnic areas
- Campgrounds

The following types of projects are typically not eligible for Stewardship grant funding but may be eligible for a LWCF grant:

- Disc golf facilities
- Splash pads
- Soccer/baseball fields

The following are examples of project expenses that are typically not eligible for reimbursement in the Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, or RTP grant programs:

- Purchase of equipment
- Income-generating facilities (e.g. concession buildings)
- Stand-alone maintenance facilities that do not specifically serve the grant property
- Outdoor amphitheaters
- Facilities developed on property that was acquired via condemnation
- Technology such as video surveillance or WiFi equipment.

Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans

Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans (CORPs) are developed by local communities. CORPs typically contain an inventory of existing outdoor recreation facilities, an analysis of outdoor recreation needs, and projects that may be implemented to address unmet recreation needs. Projects funded with Stewardship grants need to be consistent with a local adopted CORP. Further, the project may need to be specifically identified in the CORP, depending on the Stewardship grant subprogram. For projects supported with LWCF and RTP grants, the proposed project needs to be consistent with the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (adopted by WDNR). All applicants, even those with a current CORP, should contact a Grant Specialist early in the planning process to discuss grant program CORP requirements.

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Stewardship Local Assistance, Acquisition and Development of Local Parks (ADLP) Subprogram

Statute/Code: s. 23.09(20), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subch. XII, Wis. Admin. Code

Purpose: The ADLP program helps communities and organizations acquire land for public nature-based outdoor recreation and improve community recreation areas.

Allocation: Funds are allocated on a regional basis, proportional to population. Projects compete against other projects from their region.

Eligible Applicants: Towns, villages, cities, counties, tribal governments, and NCOs. NCOs may only apply for ADLP grants to support land acquisition projects.

Eligible Projects: Land acquisition and development projects that provide opportunities for nature-based recreation are eligible for ADLP grants.

Funding Priorities: ADLP funding priorities include projects that:

- Support a local CORP;
- Support multiple uses;
- Are of regional/statewide significance;
- Result in a first-of-a-kind facility for the applicant;
- Involve two or more governmental agencies;
- Provide accessible recreation opportunities; and
- Have other priority characteristics specified in statute/code.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Stewardship Local Assistance, Acquisition of Development Rights (ADR) Subprogram

Statute/Code: s. 30.277, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subch. XIV, Wis. Admin. Code

Purpose: The purpose of the ADR program is to protect natural, agricultural, and forest lands that provide nature-based outdoor recreation by purchasing development rights and compensating landowners for limited future development on their land.

Allocation: Projects compete statewide.

Eligible Applicants: Towns, villages, cities, counties, tribal governments, and NCOs.

Eligible Projects: ADR grants may only be used to support projects that acquire development rights to support nature-based outdoor recreation.

Funding Priorities: The following types of property are given priority consideration for ADR grant funding:

- Land with water frontage;
- Land that provides a buffer between developed and natural areas;
- Land that connects existing natural resource protection areas;
- Land located within Department project boundaries; and
- Land with other priority characteristics specified in statute/code.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Stewardship Local Assistance, Urban Green Space (UGS) Subprogram

Statute/Code: s. 23.09(19), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subch. XIII, Wis. Admin. Code

Purpose: The UGS program supports acquisition of land for open natural areas and community gardens within or in close proximity to urban areas.

Allocation: Projects compete statewide.

Eligible Applicants: Towns, villages, cities, counties, tribal governments, NCOs, sanitary districts, and public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts.

Eligible Projects: Projects that acquire land within or in proximity to urban areas that provides open space, protects unique natural features, and/or provides opportunities for community gardening are eligible to apply for UGS grants. Development projects are not eligible for UGS grants.

Funding Priorities: UGS funding priorities include acquisition of land that:

- Preserves land on the natural heritage inventory database;
- Implements elements of approved water quality plans or initiatives;
- Has unique natural features;
- Provides linear corridor connecting open natural areas;
- Has water frontage;
- Is of regional or statewide significance;
- Provides area for community gardens; and
- Has other priority characteristics specified in statute/code.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Stewardship Local Assistance, Urban Rivers (UR) Subprogram

Statute/Code: s. 30.277, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subch. XIV, Wis. Admin. Code

Purpose: The UR program helps restore and preserve the character of urban river corridors through the acquisition and development of land adjacent to rivers.

Allocation: Projects compete statewide. No applicant can receive more than 20% of the UR funds allocated in any fiscal year.

Eligible Applicants: Towns, villages, cities, counties, tribal governments, and NCOs.

Eligible Projects: Land acquisition and development projects that provide opportunities for nature-based outdoor recreation are eligible for UR grants.

Funding Priorities: UR program funding priorities include projects that:

- Restore river corridors following dam removal;
- Support redevelopment of brownfields;
- Acquire land with unique natural or aesthetic values;
- Acquire land that connects with previous land acquisitions;
- Provide outdoor recreation opportunities for diverse urban populations;
- Provide new or expanded access to urban waterways;

- Support local/regional plans; and
- Have other priority characteristics specified in statute/code.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Statute/Code: Land and Water Conservation Act (Public Law 88-578); ch. NR 50.06, Wis. Admin. Code

Purpose: The federal LWCF program supports development of high-quality outdoor recreation amenities in local communities.

Allocation: Projects compete statewide. LWCF funds are awarded in rank order first to projects that are eligible only for LWCF support (i.e. not eligible for Stewardship). Any remaining LWCF funds are then awarded in rank order to projects that are eligible for both Stewardship and LWCF and where the sponsor agrees to abide by LWCF program requirements. This two-step project selection method implements requirements of ch. NR 50.06(4)(b)5.

Eligible Applicants: Towns, villages, cities, counties, tribal governments, and school districts. NCOs are not eligible to receive LWCF grants.

Eligible Projects: Generally, all acquisition and development projects that are eligible under the ADLP, UGS, and UR Stewardship subprograms are also eligible for LWCF grants. In addition, projects that provide outdoor recreation facilities that are not exclusively nature-based, such as active sports facilities, are eligible for LWCF grants. Some exceptions apply, such as cases where the applicant intends to meet their match requirement with federal funds. Contact a regional Grant Specialist for details.

Funding Priorities: LWCF funding priorities include projects that:

- Meet the needs of urban areas;
- Provide recreation opportunities for diverse populations;
- Acquire land in areas with limited outdoor recreation facilities;
- Provide multi-use and multi-season facilities;
- Enhance or preserve natural beauty;
- Are proposed by applicants which have financial resources to adequately maintain and operate the project; and
- Have other priority characteristics specified in law/statute/code or the LWCF Federal Financial Assistance Manual, Volume 69.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

Federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

Statute/Code: Public Law 102-240; ch. NR 50.21, Wis. Admin. Code

Purpose: The RTP program provides funds to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both motorized and nonmotorized recreational trail uses. RTP grants are to be used on trail projects that further a specific goal or are included in the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) or a local plan referenced in the SCORP.

Allocation: RTP grant awards may not exceed \$45,000 for individual projects submitted in the 2019 application cycle. Projects compete statewide within three project categories:

Nonmotorized (30%): Projects designed to benefit nonmotorized recreational trail use where motorized use would not be allowed.

Motorized (30%): Projects designed to benefit motorized recreational use; projects may also benefit some nonmotorized uses as long as motorized use is the primary intent.

Diversified (40%): Projects designed to benefit multiple uses; includes projects where motorized use would be permitted, but where motorized use is not the predominant beneficiary. Diversified projects are not required to have motorized use.

Eligible Applicants: Towns, villages, cities, counties, tribal governing bodies, school districts, state agencies, federal agencies or incorporated organizations are eligible to apply for funds. Incorporated organizations are those that are incorporated under Ch. 181, Wis. Stats., whose primary purpose is promoting, encouraging or engaging in outdoor recreation trails activities.

Eligible Projects and Funding Priorities: RTP funds may only be used on trails which have been identified in or which further a specific goal of a local, county or state trail plan included or referenced in a statewide comprehensive outdoor recreation plan. These include traditional trails as well as water trails recognized by the DNR (see <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/parks/watertrails/> for more information about water trails). Eligible RTP projects, in order of priority, are:

- Maintenance and restoration of existing trails;
- Development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages;
- Construction of new trails (with certain restrictions on federal lands); and
- Acquisition of property for trails in areas with limited trail opportunities.

Pre-award expenses are not eligible for reimbursement under RTP grants.

Below are examples of projects that are considered maintenance, rehabilitation, development, and acquisition:

- Maintenance and restoration of existing trails;
- Development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages;
- Construction of new trails (with certain restrictions on federal lands); and
- Acquisition of property for trails in areas with limited trail opportunities.

Application Materials

The following documents are required as part of a complete grant application, as applicable for the type of project (acquisition or development). Please contact a regional Grant Specialist for information about any of these required documents, documentation examples, or to obtain hard copies of application materials.. Electronic application materials, forms, and example documents are available online:

- Stewardship Local Assistance - <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Stewardship/Grants/ApplyLUG.html>
- LWCF & RTP - <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Stewardship/Grants/FederalLUG.html>

Applicants should provide one hard copy and one electronic copy of all application documents. Please note that narrative responses to ranking criteria in Sections A, B, and C below should be provided on form 8700-338. All necessary forms are available to download from the website above.

ACQ. PROJECT	DEV. PROJECT	REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Grant Application (Form 8700-191) – Must be Signed by Project Applicant
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Response to Ranking Questions & Criteria (Form 8700-338)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Project Resolution from Grant Applicant
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Project Location Map
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Project Boundary Map
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	Topographical Map
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Legal Description and GPS Coordinates
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8	Environmental Hazards Assessment Form (Form 1800-001)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Cost Estimate Worksheet (Form 8700-014)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10	Estimated Construction/Acquisition Timeline
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Site Plan (<i>For Development projects -show facilities to be constructed with grant assistance; for Acquisition projects- identify planned trails or facilities.</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12	Remediation Plan and (if available) signed DNR Final Close-Out Letter – <i>Applicable only to projects with brownfields.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13	Copy of related grant application and/or grant agreement (<i>applicable only if applicant is proposing a grant as all or part of their local match</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	14	Public Access & Acceptable Uses Form (Form 8700-332)
<input type="checkbox"/>		15	Appraisal (<i>applicable to all acquisition projects and development projects that propose land donations as match</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/>		16	Offer to Purchase (if available)
<input type="checkbox"/>		17	Relocation Plan (<i>if applicable</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/>		18	Agricultural Impact Statement (<i>if applicable</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/>		19	Copy of Seller's Deed (<i>applicable only if seller has owned property for less than three years</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/>		20	Approval resolution from jurisdiction in which acquisition property is located (<i>if property to be acquired is located outside of the applicant's jurisdiction</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/>		21	Agricultural resource impact determination document from DATCP (<i>applicable only to acquisition projects with agricultural activity on the property</i>)
N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	22	Copy of Warranty Deed, Draft or Final Easement, Land Use Agreement, or Lease Document
	<input type="checkbox"/>	23	Required permits, if available
N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	24	Map showing the proposed project relative to the related larger trail system (<i>for RTP trail projects only; map should identify roads and bridges</i>).

Ranking Criteria

Below are the criteria WDNR uses to score, rank, and select projects for Stewardship Local Assistance, LWCF, and RTP grant awards and associated ranking criteria. Criteria reflect program eligibility and priorities outlined in public law, statute, code, and policy. Upon receipt of an application, DNR staff review information submitted and score an application relative to the criteria outlined below and program eligibility. Note that these criteria have been updated relative to previous years. Public comments on the revised criteria were solicited, including review by the Stewardship Advisory Committee.

Applicants should provide a response to each question below on form 8700-338. Form 8700-338 and any required supporting documents should be submitted with the application package. Responses without supporting documentation will not be awarded points.

The ranking questions are split into three sections, relative to program eligibility. Regional grant specialists can answer questions about program eligibility.

- **Section A:** All applicants should provide a response to questions in Section A.
- **Section B:** Applicants with a project that is eligible for a Local Assistance or LWCF grant should provide a response to questions in Section B. Applicants with a project that is only eligible for RTP grants should answer “N/A” to questions in this section.
- **Section C:** In addition to Section A, applicants with a project that is eligible for RTP grants should provide a response to questions in Section C. Applicants with a project that is not eligible for RTP grants should answer “N/A” to questions in this section.

SECTION A: All Applicants			
All applicants should provide responses to questions in this section.			
Eligibility Criteria		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
1	COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the project identified in a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan that was <i>approved by</i> or which is <i>being developed by</i> the applicant? If not, is the proposed project identified in a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan approved by or being developed another applicable local government? Does the project support a goal identified in a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan approved by the applicant or another unit of government? Does the project support a goal identified in the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan? 	N/A	Provide plan name, copy of cover page, and page number/chapter reference. For projects that support a goal of the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, please identify the specific goal(s) supported by the proposed project.
2	LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN (Acquisition Projects Only): The applicant has a plan for long-term management of the property that preserves and enhances its conservation and/or recreational value.		Submit copy of management plan. For local governments, this information may be included in the CORP, parks management plan, or other document. An Agricultural Impact Statement may also be required.
3	LEGAL RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT (Development Projects Only): The applicant has the legal right to construct the proposed project and meet post-grant compliance requirements.		Submit copy of deed, lease, easement, memorandum of understanding, or other documentation. Draft lease or easement documents are acceptable provided that negotiation of key components (e.g. legal description, compensation) have been deemed acceptable to all parties.
Tie-breaker Questions		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
4	GREEN TIER: The applicant is a designated Green Tier community.	0.1	See the Community and Population Information at the end of these guidelines for a list of designated Green Tier communities. All Legacy Communities are eligible for this tie-breaker point. Clear Waters Initiative Communities are eligible for this tie-breaker if the proposed project will benefit water resources.
5	RAILROAD CORRIDOR: The project will acquire or develop an abandoned rail corridor for outdoor recreation.	0.1	This tie-breaker is only awarded for the acquisition or initial development of a property.
6	ACCESS TO OTHER OUTDOOR RECREATION FACILITIES: The proposed projects provides access to other existing developed outdoor recreation facilities, such as campground, fishing pier, local park, etc.	0.5	Provide documentation that shows the relationship between the proposed project and the existing facility(ies).
7	SAFE ACCESS: Users have an existing opportunity for safe and legal parking and access to the project site or the proposed project will significantly improve safe and legal access to the site.	0.1	Projects that provide access only via roadside parking would not receive points for this question.

SECTION A, cont.			
Ranking Questions		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
8	COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The applicant has or is developing a comprehensive plan for their local jurisdiction (as defined in s. 66.1001 Wis. Stats.) with provisions that support intergovernmental cooperation. (1 pt.) The proposed project is supported by or included in the applicant's comprehensive plan. (1 pt.) 	2	<p>Provide copies of the cover page and page(s) that describe the subject project.</p> <p>"Comprehensive Plan" refers to plans developed and adopted per requirements of s.66.1001, Wis. Stats. See https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/LocalGovtsGrants/Comprehensive-Planning.aspx for details.</p>
9	PLANS OTHER THAN CORP OR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project is referenced in or supports other applicable plans, such as a local green space plan, integrated resource management plan, riverfront restoration plan, water quality plan, or other applicable plan approved by a governmental unit (including DNR Master Plans or State Trail Plans). (1 pt.) For land acquisition projects, the proposed acquisition would contribute significantly to the overall success of an urban river project or comprehensive riverway or lake management plan. (1 pt.) 	2	<p>Provide copies of the cover page and page(s) that describe the subject project.</p> <p>For acquisition projects, applicants should describe how the proposed acquisition contributes to the success of the plan.</p>
10	INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION: The project is being developed in close cooperation between two separate governmental entities.	2	<p>Provide plan name, copy of cover page, and page number/chapter reference, if applicable.</p> <p>The partner jurisdiction must have a substantial role in the project, such as contribution of matching funds or force account services. Letters of support are not sufficient to receive these points. Projects supported by a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district will receive full credit for this question. Regional projects that are being developed cooperatively by multiple governmental entities also will receive credit for this question.</p>
11	PROJECT COMPLETION AND PREVIOUS GRANTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has successfully completed all previous Local Assistance, RTP, or LWCF grants. (1 pt.) Applicant did not receive a Local Assistance, RTP, or LWCF grant in application year 2014-2018 (Fiscal Years 2015-2019). (1 pt.) 	2	<p>Applicants should provide a list of applicable grants. "Successfully completed" projects are those for which an applicant has submitted a final completed reimbursement package to WDNR.</p> <p>Local Assistance, RTP, and LWCF grants executed in application year 2018 (Fiscal Year 2019) and RTP <i>maintenance</i> grants (all years) are not considered when evaluating this question.</p>

SECTION B: Local Assistance & LWCF Eligible Projects

Applicants with a project that is eligible for Local Assistance or LWCF grants should provide a response to these questions. Applicants with a project that is eligible only for RTP grants should answer "N/A" to these questions.

Ranking Questions		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
12	ECONOMIC BENEFIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project will create opportunities to expand or generate local private-sector outdoor recreation support industries. (1 pt.) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project is being implemented via a public-private partnership established specifically for the intended project. (1 pt.) 	1	<p>Private-sector benefits must be local and directly related to the type of outdoor recreation opportunities created or enhanced by the proposed project. Letters from local business(es) or economic development organization are sufficient documentation to receive this point if they specifically identify how the proposed project will benefit their business.</p> <p>Public-private partnership agreements, memorandum of understanding, or similar documents must be provided to obtain the public-private partnership point.</p>
13	FINANCIAL SUPPORT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has identified outside funding sources of least 50% of the applicant's proposed matching funds. (1 pt.) Applicant can demonstrate that matching funds have been budgeted or will be available at the time grant is awarded. (1 pt.) 	2	<p>Applicants must provide letters of commitment from local contributors, proof of budget approval, or similar documentation of financial support.</p> <p>Note that Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district funds are considered applicant funds.</p>
14	PROJECT IMPACT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project is the first of its kind for the applicant. (1 pt.) The project is adjacent to and supports a recreational resource that draws visitors from statewide. (2 pts.) The project is located within an approved DNR property acquisition boundary or Stream Bank Protection Program acquisition area. (1 pt.) 	4	<p>To receive full points for this question, applicants must provide suitable documentation that supports the statewide nature of the recreational resource.</p> <p>If the proposed project is within a DNR defined acquisition area, applicants must provide a map that shows the subject property relative to the applicable DNR boundary.</p>
15	NATURAL HERITAGE INVENTORY (NHI): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For acquisition projects: Proposed acquisition includes property on the NHI or otherwise formally recognized. (1 pt.) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For development projects: Development plans highlight and protect NHI features on the property. (1 pt.) 	1	<p>Provide documentation that the property is included on the WDNR Natural Heritage Inventory and/or narrative description of the location of NHI resources relative to proposed site development plan.</p>

SECTION B, cont.			
Ranking Questions		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
16	UNIQUE NATURAL FEATURES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For acquisition projects: The proposed project includes acquisition of land with unique aesthetic/scenic value, natural value, ecological value, unique natural features. (1 pt.) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For development projects: The proposed project includes development of recreational opportunities that support unique natural features and/or scenic highways. (1 pt.) 	1	Applicant should submit documentation that describes the specific natural features being protected or enhanced by the subject project.
17	DAM REMOVAL: The project was identified in or supports goals of a DNR-approved dam abandonment plan. (2 pts.)	2	<p>Provide plan name, copy of cover page, and page number/chapter reference, if applicable.</p> <p>If the dam abandonment plan is more than five years old, the sponsor should provide documentation demonstrating that the plan is still viable and current.</p>
18	URBAN POPULATIONS: The project includes acquisition or development of property in a designated urban/urbanized area or property that is located outside of but which serves a designated urban/urbanized area. (1 pt.)	1	<p>See the Community and Population Information at the end of these guidelines for a list of qualifying urban/urbanized areas.</p> <p>If applicant is not on the list of qualifying urban/urbanized areas, but serves a transient population, the applicant should provide documentation regarding recreational needs of transient populations that would be met by the proposed project.</p>
19	DIVERSE/SPECIAL POPULATIONS: The project will serve the documented needs of diverse/special populations in urban areas. (1 pt.)	1	Identify the specific populations that would be served by the proposed project. Provide documentation regarding income, demographics, etc. of the applicable population. Note that serving nearby schools is not sufficient to qualify for this point.
20	WATER ACCESS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project will significantly improve or expand existing water access for water-based outdoor recreation. (1 pt.) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project will provide access to a waterbody that is currently not accessible to the public within the applicant's jurisdiction. (2 pts.) 	2	Water access includes frontage on rivers, streams, lakes, estuaries, and flowages.
21	BROWNFIELDS: The project involves brownfields redevelopment, as the term is defined in s. 23.09(19)(a)1, Stats. (2 pts.)	2	

SECTION B, cont.			
Ranking Questions		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
22	NATURE-BASED OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES: After acquisition, the public will be able to conduct all five designated nature-based outdoor activities on the project property. (2 pts.)	2	This question applies to acquisition projects only. Applicants submitting a development project application should answer "N/A" to this question. Nature-based outdoor activities include hunting, trapping, fishing, hiking, and cross-country skiing (as defined in NR 52, Wis. Admin. Code). For acquisition of properties with no water access, applicants should consider fishing as an available activity for purposes of this question.
23	COMMUNITY GARDENS: The project will provide land for non-commercial gardening activities within or serving residents of urban areas. (1 pt.)	1	This question applies to acquisition projects only. Applicants submitting a development project application should answer "N/A" to this question.
24	PROJECT CONTINUITY: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has acquired the land for the project without grant assistance. (1 pt.) Applicant has developed some eligible facilities for the project without grant assistance. (1 pt.) 	2	Provide narrative description of acquisition and/or facilities developed, including type of funding used.
25	PRODUCTS: Project will use products made in Wisconsin from recycled materials. (1 pt.)	1	Identify products and anticipated vendors.
26	SUSTAINABILITY: Project will use sustainable technology. (1 pt.)	1	Applicant should describe the manner in which materials, design, and other project elements promote energy efficiency, waste reduction, or similar sustainability principles. Applicants should provide documentation regarding the extent to which proposed technologies are above-and-beyond traditional construction.
27	TIMEFRAME: Land can be acquired within one year or development can be completed within two construction seasons. (1 pt.)	1	
28	APPRAISAL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The property appraisal is complete. (1 pt.) Applicant has a signed offer-to-purchase or option. (1 pt.) 	2	Applies to land acquisition projects only. Applicants with development projects should answer "N/A" for this question. Applicants are highly encouraged to contact DNR prior to executing an appraisal contract for grant purposes.
29	CONNECTIVITY: The applicant will acquire or develop a segment of a linear corridor that connects open natural areas, city parks, water trails, or similar outdoor recreation amenities or serves as a buffer between outdoor recreation property and land with potential for urban development.	2	Provide a narrative description of the relationship between the proposed project and the linear corridor. Applicants are encouraged to include a map that highlights the location of the proposed project relative to the corridor/trail.

SECTION C: RTP Eligible Projects

Applicants with a project that is eligible for RTP grants should provide a response to questions in Section C. All other applicants should answer "N/A" to questions in this Section.

Ranking Questions		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
30	RTP PROJECT TYPE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rehabilitation (8 pts.) • Maintenance (7 pts.) • Development (3 pts.) • Acquisition (1 pt.) 	8	Applicants with a project that consists solely of trail support facilities should answer "N/A" for this question. Projects that include more than one activity type will receive the highest type score, not a combination.
31	YEAR ROUND USE: Project includes facilities for year-round use. (1 pt.)	1	
32	NUMBER OF COMPATIBLE USES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motorized Activities = 1 pt if any of the following are allowed on the trail <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ATV/UTVs - Off-Highway Motorcycles - Snowmobiles • Pedestrian Activities = 1 pt if any of the following are allowed on the trail <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cross Country Skiing (ungroomed trails) - Hiking/walking/jogging/running - Inline skating - Photography - Snowshoeing - Wildlife Observation/Bird Watching • Other Activities = 1 pt if any of the following are allowed on the trail <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biking - Canoe/kayak access - Cross Country Skiing (groomed) - Horses 	3	<p>Trailhead-only projects are not eligible for these points.</p> <p>Compatible uses can include a mix of motorized and nonmotorized uses (e.g. hiking, bicycling, in-line skating, equestrian use, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, off-road motorcycling, all-terrain vehicle riding, four-wheel driving, or using other off-road motorized vehicles).</p>
33	RESOLVES CONFLICTS BETWEEN USERS: Proposed trail project will resolve conflict between historically conflicting trail uses. (2 pts.)	2	<p>Typically, user conflicts are resolved via development or acquisition projects, not rehabilitation or maintenance.</p> <p>Resolution may occur through trail design, timing of allowable uses, development of separate trails for different use types, etc. Applicants must provide documentation regarding historical user conflicts on the existing trail.</p>

SECTION C, cont.			
Ranking Questions		Max. Points	Question Details and Documentation Notes
37	TRAIL SAFETY: The sponsor has the ability to ensure enforcement and safety for trail users, either directly or through cooperative agreements with non-governmental organizations or other governmental units. (2 pts.)	2	Applicants may receive points for this question if the applicant patrols the trail or if the applicant has a written trail patrol agreement with another non-state entity.
35	SAFE TRAIL DESIGN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed project does not contain any at-grade roadway bridge crossings. (1 pt.) Proposed project does not contain at-grade roadway crossings. (1 pt.) Proposed project is located completely off road. (1 pt.) 	3	<p>Trailhead-only projects are not eligible for these points.</p> <p>Applicants should provide a map showing the proposed project relative to the overall trail system, roads, and bridges.</p> <p>For full credit on this question (3 pts.), the project needs to be located completely off road with no at-grade crossings.</p>
36	LOCAL DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEER SUPPORT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project will include donations of labor, materials, and/or equipment from non-governmental entities. (1 pt.) Donations comprise 25% or more of the total project cost. (1 pt.) 	2	Letters of support are not sufficient to receive points for this question. Applicants must provide letters of commitment from local contributors, proof of budget approval, or similar documentation of financial support.
37	DURATION: Trail project is located on public land or on private land where the sponsor holds a land use agreement with a minimum 25-year duration as of the date of application. (2 pts.)	2	Applicants should provide documentation of land ownership or provide a copy of the applicable agreement.

Community and Population Information

Green Tier Communities		Urban/Urbanized Areas - Counties
Legacy Communities	Clear Waters Initiative	
City of Appleton	City of Madison	Brown
City of Ashland	City of Sun Prairie	Calumet
City of Bayfield	Dane Co.	Chippewa
Village of Bayside		Columbia
City of Eau Claire		Dane
Village of Egg Harbor		Dodge
Village of Ephraim		Eau Claire
City of Fitchburg		Fond du Lac
City of La Crosse		Grant
City of Middleton		Jefferson
City of Monona		Kenosha
City of New Richmond		La Crosse
City of Oshkosh		Manitowoc
City of Port Washington		Marathon
City of Racine		Milwaukee
City of Sheboygan		Outagamie
City of Stevens Point		Ozaukee
City of Wauwatosa		Portage
City of Wisconsin Rapids		Racine
Village of Weston		Rock
Bayfield Co.		St. Croix
Eau Claire Co.		Sauk
La Crosse Co.		Sheboygan
St. Croix Co.		Walworth
		Washington
		Waukesha
		Waupaca
		Winnebago
		Wood

Counties with Above-Average Population Growth (2012-2017)		
Brown	Eau Claire	Ozaukee
Calumet	Fond du Lac	Pierce
Chippewa	La Crosse	St. Croix
Dane	Monroe	Trempealeau
Door	Outagamie	Washington
		Waukesha

Urban/Urbanized Areas – Cities, Towns, & Villages		
Abbotsford	Bloomer	Cross Plains
Adams	Boscobel	Cuba City
Algoma	Brillion	Cudahy
Allouez	Bristol	Cumberland
Alma	Brodhead	Darien
Altoona	Brokaw	Darlington
Amery	Brookfield	De Pere
Antigo	Brooklyn	DeForest
Appleton	Brown Deer	Delafield
Arcadia	Buffalo City	Delavan
Ashland	Burlington	Dodgeville
Ashwaubenon	Butler	Dousman
Augusta	Caledonia	Dresser
Baldwin	Cambridge	Durand
Baraboo	Cedarburg	Eagle
Barron	Cecil	Eagle River
Bayfield	Chenequa	East Troy
Bayside	Chetek	Eau Claire
Beaver Dam	Chilton	Eden Village
Bellevue	Chippewa Falls	Edgerton
Beloit	Clintonville	Elkhorn
Berlin	Colby	Ellsworth
Big Bend	Columbus	Elm Grove
Biron	Combined Locks	Elmwood Park
Black Earth	Cornell	Elroy
Black River Falls	Cottage Grove	Evansville
Blair	Crandon	Fall River

Urban/Urbanized Areas – Cities, Towns, & Villages, cont.		
Fennimore	Janesville	McFarland
Fitchburg	Jefferson	Medford
Fond du Lac	Johnson Creek	Mellen
Fort Atkinson	Juneau	Menasha
Fountain City	Kaukauna	Menominee
Fox Lake	Kenosha	Menomonee Falls
Fox Point	Kewaskum	Menomonie
Franklin	Kewaunee	Mequon
Galesville	Kiel	Merrill
Germantown	Kohler	Middleton
Gillett	Kronenwetter	Milton
Glendale	La Crosse	Milwaukee
Glenwood City	Lac La Belle	Mineral Point
Grafton	Ladysmith	Mondovi
Green Bay	Lake Delton	Monona
Green Lake	Lake Geneva	Monroe
Greendale	Lake Hallie	Montreal
Greenfield	Lake Mills	Mosinee
Greenwood	Lancaster	Mount Horeb
Hales Corners	Lannon	Mount Pleasant
Hammond	Little Chute	Mukwonago
Hartford	Lodi	Montello
Hartland	Loyal	Muskego
Hayward	Madison	Nashotah
Hewitt	Manawa	Neenah
Hillsboro	Manitowoc	Neillsville
Hobart	Maple Bluff	Nekoosa
Holmen	Marion	New Berlin
Horicon	Markesan	New Holstein
Howard	Marinette	New Lisbon
Howards Grove	Marshall	New London
Hudson	Marshfield	New Richmond
Hurley	Mauston	Niagara
Independence	Mayville	North Bay
Jackson	Mazomanie	North Fond du Lac

Urban/Urbanized Areas – Cities, Towns, & Villages, cont.		
North Hudson	Reedsburg	Sun Prairie
North Prairie	Rhineland	Superior
Oak Creek	Rice Lake	Sussex
Oconomowoc	Richfield	Thiensville
Oconomowoc Lake	Richland Center	Thorp
Oconto	Ripon	Tomah
Oconto Falls	River Falls	Tomahawk
Oliver	River Hills	Twin Lakes
Omro	Rochester	Two Rivers
Oostburg	Sauk City	Verona
Oregon	Saukville	Viroqua
Osceola	Schofield	Wales
Oshkosh	Seymour	Walworth
Osseo	Shawano	Washburn
Owen	Sheboygan	Waterford
Paddock Lake	Sheboygan Falls	Waterloo
Park Ridge	Shell Lake	Watertown
Park Falls	Sherwood	Waukesha
Peshtigo	Shorewood	Waunakee
Pewaukee	Shorewood Hills	Waupaca
Platteville	Shullsburg	Waupun
Phillips	Silver Lake	Wausau
Pittsville	Slinger	Wautoma
Pleasant Prairie	Somerset	Wauwatosa
Plover	South Milwaukee	West Allis
Plymouth	Sparta	West Baraboo
Port Edwards	Spooner	West Bend
Port Washington	St. Croix Falls	West Milwaukee
Portage	St. Francis	West Salem
Prairie du Chien	Stanley	Westby
Prairie du Sac	Stevens Point	Weston
Prescott	Stoughton	Weyauwega
Princeton	Sturtevant	Whitefish Bay
Pulaski	Sturgeon Bay	Whitehall
Racine	Suamico	Whitewater

Urban/Urbanized Areas – Cities, Towns, & Villages, cont.		
Whiting	Windsor	Wisconsin Rapids
Williams Bay	Winneconne	Wrightstown
Wind Point	Wisconsin Dells	

Definitions:

- “Counties with Above Average Population Growth” are defined as counties with a 2012-2017 growth rate that exceeded the state average for the same time period (1.7%), based on population data from the Wisconsin Dept. of Administration.
- “Urban/Urbanized Areas” include 2010 U.S. Census “Urban Clusters” (densely developed areas with at least 2,500 people but less than 50,000 people), U.S. Census Bureau “Urbanized Areas” (densely developed areas with 50,000 or more people), and all incorporated cities.

Data Sources:

- U.S. Census Bureau Reference Library:
<https://www.census.gov/geo/reference/ua/uafaq.html>.
- U.S. Census Bureau. 2012. Wisconsin: 2010 Population and Housing Unit Counts. pgs. 29, IV-1, IV-2, & IV-3.
- Wisconsin Dept. of Administration, Demographic Services Center. 2018. County Total Time Series Population Estimates (1970-2018):
https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/LocalGovtsGrants/Population_Estimates.aspx