

The Waupun Board of Public Works and Facilities Committee will meet in-person, virtual, and teleconference. Instructions to join the meeting are provided below:

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Meeting ID: 850 4123 2418 Passcode: 178653 By Phone: (312) 626 6799 US (Chicago) CALL TO ORDER

# **ROLL CALL**

**PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**--State name, address, and subject of comments. (2 Minutes)

No Public Participation after this point.

#### FUTURE MEETINGS AND GATHERING INVOLVING THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

#### **CONSIDERATION - ACTION**

- 1. Approve minutes of the April 11, 2023 meeting.
- 2. Recognition of Mayoral Appointment of Board Members

ALDERMAN	Mayoral Appointment		Peter Kaczmarski
	Chairman		
ALDERMAN			Michael Matoushek
ALDERMAN			William Langford
CITIZEN		4/30/2024	Dale Heeringa
CITIZEN		4/30/2024	Andrew Sullivan
CITIZEN		4/30/2024	Gregg Zonnefeld
CITIZEN		4/30/2024	Dave Rens
MAYOR	Ex-Officio – Non Voting		
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS	Ex-Officio – Non Voting		
RECREATION PROGRAM DIRECTOR	Ex-Officio – Non-Voting		
UTILITY GENERAL MANAGER/DESIGNEE	Ex-Officio – Non-Voting		
CITY CLERK	Ex-Officio – Non-Voting		
POLICE CHIEF / DESIGNEE	Ex-Officio – Non-Voting		

- 3. Nomination of Appointment of Board Clerk
- 4. Establish Day of Month and Time of Board Meeting
- 5. 2024 11' wide area mower replacement
- <u>6.</u> City of Waupun Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2023-2028
- 7. Flooding concerns 736 Fern St.

8. Community Garden location

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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# Tuesday, April 11, 2023 – City Council Chambers

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Peter Kaczmarki called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

# ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken:

Alderpersons—Peter Kaczmarski, William Langford

Citizens—Dale Heeringa, Dave Rens, Andrew Sullivan

Members Excused – Gregg Zonnefeld and Mike Matoushek

Ex-officio—DPW Director Jeff Daane, Mayor Rohn Bishop, City Administrator Kathy Schlieve, Recreation Director Rachel Kaminski Citizenz – Lucas Dawson and Tyler Loomans

#### **PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES COMMITTEE** No citizens were present.

# FUTURE MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 11th at 4:30PM.

### **CONSIDERATION - ACTION**

- Approve minutes of the March 14, 2023 Board of Public Works & Facilities Meeting. Minutes of the March 14, 2023 meeting were presented. Motion (Rens/Langford) to approve minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED (5-0)
- 2. Waupun Hockey Contract with Rink-Tech to install new concrete floor at the Waupun Community Center. Lucas Dawson and Tyler Loomans spoke on fundraising efforts. Current funds directly for the floor project are about \$55,000. This was raised the last few months. Other donations and volunteer labor that could be done is about \$188,200. They said by signing the contract now a price can be locked in.

Motion (Langford/Heeringa) to approve passing this on to the Council with a January 2, 2025 date to revisit the fund raising efforts before giving Rink-Tec final approval to move forward with the project. **MOTION CARRIED (5-0).** 

- Shooting Range Bid Motion (Heeringa/Sullivan) to recommend Northeast Asphalt bid of \$10,260 to the Common Council. MOTION CARRIED (5-0).
- 4. City of Waupun CORP Plan Update. Discussion was held to push the survey to have residents go online to fill it out.

### ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Langford/Rens) to adjourn the meeting of the BPW & Facilities at 5:00PM. MOTION CARRIED (5-0).

Minutes prepared by Jeff Daane.



# AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

MEETING DATE: May 9, 2023

TITLE: 2024 11' wide area mower replacement

AGENDA SECTION: Consideration/Action

PRESENTER: Jeff Daane

<b>DEPARMTENT GOAL(S) SUPPORTED</b> (if applicable)	FISCAL IMPACT	
	\$65,388.00	

#### **ISSUE SUMMARY**

We are looking at replacing our 2015 wide area mower. The mower currently has about 4,000 hours and is used daily all summer long. The past few years we have seen some significant repairs to the unit and it is scheduled for replacement next year. After talking with the dealers that sell units of this size we would need to get this ordered now in hopes to see the unit before next mowing season.

3 companies make models of this size John Deere, Toro and Jacobson. I did receive 3 quotes and the John Deere quote is from Ballwegs that is considered local per the cities updated purchasing policy.

This will need to go to council if this is approved as it would need to be factored into the 2024 budget.

### STAFF RECCOMENDATION:

Go with the local company Ballweg Implement as this was the lowest quote

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Ballweg Implement quote Reinders quote Horst Distributing Inc. quote

#### **RECOMENDED MOTION:**

- 1. Recommend to council to order a 2024 John Deere 1600 Turbo wide area mower for \$65,388
- 2. Recommend to council to order a 2024 Toro Groundsmaster 4000-D wide area mower for \$87,783.04
- 3. <u>Recommend to council to order a 2024 Jacobson HR600 rotary wide area mower for \$84,879</u>



Acct #: 122040 City of Waupun 901 N. Madison St. Waupun, WI 53963

Attn: Jeff

Prepared By: Derek Kastenschmidt Territory Manager 13402 Watertown Plank Rd. Elm Grove, WI 53122-2229 Cell (414) 313-5260 Fax (262) 786-6111 dkastenschmidt@reinders.com

<u>Quote ID</u> GM041023	Price Subject to Change
Quote Date 4/10/23	Contract Quote

#### Sourcewell #031121-TTC / Omnia #2017025

Qty	Code	Description	Suggested List	Selling Price
1	30609	Groundsmaster 4000-D (T4) Battery Disconnect Switch	\$110,558.00	\$86,235.24
		"0" Inch uncut circle "SmartCool" Auto Reversing Fan Manufactured in Tomah WI		



Equipment Total:	\$87,783.04
Trade Totals:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Freight/Set-up/Delivery:	\$1,547.80
Equipment Subtotal:	\$86,235.24







## **Order Acceptance Agreement**

#### **City of Waupun**

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- Any changes requested by me in regard to the quantities, specifications, schedule, financing, or other aspects of the services described in this quotation are not binding unless accepted by Reinders in writing. Any requested changes may lead to additional charges, which the client agrees to pay when requesting and approving them.
- ✔ By signing below, confirms that you are giving Reinders permission to order the products on the quote I.D. listed below. I have also read the terms of the order acceptance.

	Sourcewell #:		#N/A		
	Omnia #:		#N/A		
	Quote I.D # : _		GM041023		
	Print Name:				
	Signature:				
	Date:				
ORO.	VENTRAC	FOLEY	HARPER	Golf-Lift	THUE-SUBFACE*





# QUOTE

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TO: City of Waupun Attn: Jeff Waupun, WI Date: 4/5/23

Attention: Jeff

Your Inquiry: Verbal

QTY	DESC	RIPTION		UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
ONE(1)	2024/2025 Jacobsen HR600 "all hy Kubota diesel engine, 11 foot cutt folding ROPS system, suretrac 4 w flashers and battery disconnect sy	ing width, deluxe suspen heel drive system, comp	nsion seat,		
		R	egular Price	\$129,500.00	
	Special Municipal Price (curr	ent availability looks lik	e late 2024)		<u>\$84,879.00</u>
	FOB	DELIVERY	PAYME	NT TERMS	SALESMEN
Waupun	-Assembled & Ready for operation	Our Truck	Ne	et 30	Dennis Dary

We are pleased to submit this quotation on our interpretation of your requirements. All quoted prices are subject to change after 30 days from date of this quotation. Sales and use tax, where applicable, payable by the buyer.

We appreciate the privilege of quoting on your requirements and hope for your favorable consideration.

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By:

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Canopy/sunshade

Lightweight durable deck pan design made from

high strength steel

Climate controlled cab

kit, Rear wiper kit



Quote ld: 28407214

Prepared For:

# Jeff Daane

# **CITY OF WAUPUN**



# Prepared By: Tery Scharschmidt

Ballweg Implement Co., Inc. W7246 Highway 68 Waupun, WI 53963

Tel: 920-324-3537 Fax: 920-324-2378 Email: tscharschmidt@ballweg.biz



#### **Quote Summary**

#### Prepared By:

Prepared For: Jeff Daane CITY OF WAUPUN Jeff Daane 16 E MAIN ST WAUPUN, WI 53963 Business: 920-324-7911 Mobile: 920-210-8200 JEFF@CITYOFWAUPUN.ORG

Tery Scharschmidt Ballweg Implement Co., Inc. W7246 Highway 68 Waupun, WI 53963 Phone: 920-324-3537 tscharschmidt@ballweg.biz

		Last Mo	Quote Id: eated On: dified On: tion Date:	28407214 16 March 2023 04 April 2023 31 May 2023
Equipment Summary	Suggested List	Selling Price	Qty	Extended
JOHN DEERE 1600 Turbo TerrainCut Commercial Wide-Area Mower with 2-Post Folding ROPS	\$ 89,927.02	\$ 65,388.00 X	1 =	\$ 65,388.00

#### **Equipment Total**

#### \$ 65,388.00

Quote Summary	
Equipment Total	\$ 65,388.00
SubTotal	\$ 65,388.00
Total	\$ 65,388.00
Down Payment	(0.00)
Rental Applied	(0.00)
Balance Due	\$ 65,388.00



# **Selling Equipment**

Quote Id: 28407214 Customer: CITY OF WAUPUN

JOHN DEE	ERE 1600 Turbo TerrainCut Co Post Folding		Wide-Area Mov	wer with 2-
Hours: Stock Number		g		Suggested List \$ 89,927.02 Selling Price
Code	Description	Qty	Unit	\$ 65,388.00 Extended
0735TC	1600 Turbo TerrainCut Commercial Wide-Area Mower with 2-Post Folding ROPS	1	\$ 88,129.00	\$ 88,129.00
	Standard Option	s - Per Unit		
001A	United States and Canada	1	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
0443	US English w/ Spanish (Bi-Lingual) Operator's Manual	1	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	Standard Options Total			\$ 0.00
	Dealer Attack	hments		
TCA13825	Slow Moving Vehicle Sign Kit	1	\$ 64.18	\$ 64.18
NW785121	12 VOLT BATTERY DISCONNECT	1	\$ 48.84	\$ 48.84
	Dealer Attachments Total			\$ 113.02
	Value Added Services Total			\$ 0.00
	Other Cha	raes		÷ 0100
	Freight	1	\$ 1,285.00	\$ 1,285.00
	Setup	1	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
	Other Charges Total			\$ 1,685.00
	Suggested Price			\$ 89,927.02
	Customer Dis	scounts	-	
	Customer Discounts Total		\$ -24,539.02	\$ -24,539.02
Total Selling P	rice			\$ 65,388.00



# AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

MEETING DATE: May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**AGENDA SECTION:** Consideration/Action

PRESENTER: Jeff Daane

TITLE: City of Waupun Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2023-2028

<b>DEPARMTENT GOAL(S) SUPPORTED</b> (if applicable)	FISCAL IMPACT	
Quality of Life		

#### **ISSUE SUMMARY**

Over the past few months this board has been working to update the cities current CORP plan. We have taken the information recommended by this board, new surveys and staff recommendation to use for the 2023-2028 plan. The plan that is before you tonight is the final version and if this board approves, it will go onto the council for final approval.

### STAFF RECCOMENDATION:

Approve plan as presented

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Comprehensive outdoor recreation plan 2023-2038 Full Appendix

#### **RECCOMENDED MOTION:**

Recommend the adoption of the City of Waupun Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2023-2028 to Council

# CITYOF WAUPUN City of Sculpture





# COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN

# 2023 - 2028

DRAFT FOR CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION ON MAY 9, 2023



# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

# MAYOR

Rohn W. Bishop

# **CITY STAFF**

Kathy Schlieve, City Administrator & Economic Development Director Jeff Daane, Director of Public Works Rachel Kaminski, Parks & Recreation Program Director

# **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES**

Michael Matoushek, Council Member Peter Kaczmarski, Council Member-Chariman William Langford, Council Member Dale Heeringa, Citizen Member Andrew Sullivan, Citizen Member Dave Rens, Citizen Member Gregg Zonnefeld, Citizen Member

# **PREPARED BY:**

This document was prepared by MSA Professional Services, Inc. with assistance from City staff and the Board of Public Works & Facilities

Project No.: 0212134







ADOPTION RESOLUTION To be inserted upon plan adoption

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# INTRODUCTION

1.1 Planning Purpose1.2 Planning Process1.3 The Role of City Parks

# **1.1 PLANNING PURPOSE**

Parks, recreation and open space are important elements in the quality of life for all communities. Not only do parks and open space provide a safe and healthy place to recreate, they also serve to beautify, protect the natural environment and influence the patterns of development in and around the City.

The City of Waupun realizes the importance and benefits its parks and open space system has on the City's character and quality of life and is committed to providing for the recreational needs of its current and future residents. This plan intends to guide the continual improvement of the City's park and open space system and to maintain the City's eligibility for State and Federal park and recreation grants. This plan envisions a connected system of parks, open spaces, and trails throughout the community, related to the city's natural resources, geography and neighborhoods. The plan is also intended to be a support document to the City of Waupun Comprehensive Land Use Plan. This plan along with the City's other long-range plans and developmentrelated ordinances, will be used to implement the City's parks and recreation program.

Specifically the plan provides:

- Information regarding demographic trends,
- An inventory of existing park and recreational facilities,
- An analysis of parkland and recreational needs and demands,
- General policy direction regarding park and open space planning and maintenance,
- Recommendations for improving existing park facilities,
- Recommendations for park and open space acquisition and (re)development projects, and
- Implementation strategies.

This plan identifies conceptual locations and recommendations for different types of parks, trails, natural areas, and recreational facilities. In nearly every case, more detailed planning, engineering, study, budgeting, and discussions will be necessary before decisions are made to actually acquire land or construct recreational facilities.

# **1.2 PLANNING PROCESS**

Recreation planning is an essential component of longrange community planning in Waupun. The City's original Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) was prepared by the Dodge County Planning and Development Department in 1994. The plan was updated in 2000, 2011, and 2017. This CORP functions as an update to the 2017 plan and proposes recreation improvements for the next five years, thorugh 2028.

In 2023, the City contracted with MSA Professional Services, Inc. to assist with an update to the 2017 CORP. Preparation and adoption of this plan occurred over a three month period. Assistance was provided by City staff and the Board of Public Works and Facilities.

Early in the planning process the City conducted an online community survey to gather citizen feedback on desired public park and recreational facilities (Refer to Appendix A).

It's the City's intention to update this plan every five years, inpart to remain eligible for park and recreation grants (see side bar), and as best practice to ensure that the plan remains relevant to the community's needs.

# CORP and Grant Funding

The Wisconsin Legislature created the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program (Stewardship) in 1989. Named for two of Wisconsin's most revered conservation leaders, Warren Knowles (Governor 1965-1971) and Gaylord Nelson (Governor 1959-1963, U.S. Senator 1964-1981), the purpose of the program is to preserve valuable natural areas and wildlife habitat, protect water quality and fisheries, and expand opportunities for outdoor recreation. The conservation and recreation goals of the Stewardship Program are achieved through the acquisition of land and easements, development of recreational facilities, and restoration of wildlife habitat.

The Stewardship grant program is the most widely used recreational grant program in the state. Eligibility for the program requires that a community maintain a local comprehensive outdoor recreation plan (CORP), updated every five years, and that the project for which grant funding is sought is described in the CORP. Many other similar state and federal recreational grant programs have similar requirements or have shown a tendency to favor those grant applications which are supported through previous community planning efforts.

This plan was developed following the Guidelines for the Development of Local Recreation Plans of the 2019-2023 Wisconsin State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) created by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). The plan content and format have been tailored to fit the needs of the community.

# **1.3 THE ROLE OF CITY PARKS**

Proper planning is essential for the City's park and open space system to continue to meet the recreation needs of the community, as well as to continue to preserve valuable natural areas. Whether the City is experiencing a bear or bull period of economic growth, it is important to remember the many benefits that park and recreational facilities provide the community.

# **COMMUNITY IMAGE**

Local parks provide opportunities for formal and informal social gatherings. Community festivals, organized recreational events, or chance meetings between City residents at local parks, all provide opportunities for residents to socialize with people they might not otherwise meet. In addition, having excellent park and recreation facilities can be a source of pride for a community. These factors contribute to the image of the City as a great place to live, work, stay and play.

# **COMMUNITY HEALTH**

With the raising national trend in obesity, especially among children, the City's park and recreational facilities play a vital role in maintaining and improving the health of residents in the community and aiding in the physical development of children. Parks also provide sanctuaries and places for residents to mentally recharge.

# **ECOLOGICAL HEALTH**

While park and open spaces provide opportunities for improvements to the health of residents, they also contribute to the greater ecological health of the City. Local parks are often tied together with environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands, floodplains, surface waters, or significant woodlands. These areas provide food and shelter for local wildlife and natural stormwater retention. Individual parks can provide important "rooms" of natural resource activity; however, they become even more functional when they can be linked together by environmental corridors, or "hallways." Wildlife, plants, and water all depend on the ability to move freely within the environment from room to room.



# **PROJECT MILESTONES**

March 2023: Board of Public Works & Facilities (BPWF) Meeting #1 - Project Kickoff

April 2023: Public Survey Live

May 2023: BPWF Meeting #2 - Review Draft Recommendation

May 2023: Common Council Meeting - Plan Adoption

# **ECONOMIC PROSPERITY**

Leisure time is an important component of everyone's lifestyle and increasingly people are choosing locations to live based on quality-oflife amenities such as the amount and type of recreational facilities a community can offer. The ability to retain or attract new residents has direct economic benefits to the City. Studies have also concluded that property values generally increase the closer residential lots are to a park facility. In addition, if a local parks system is designed with regional amenities, or connections to regional destinations, it can serve to bring additional visitors to the City. The additional tourism can be a significant benefit to local businesses.



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# ABOUT: WAUPUN

- 2.1 Local & Regional Context
- **2.2 Transportation & Circulation** 
  - 2.3 Demographics
- 2.4 Physical Character & Environmental Resources
- 2.5 Existing Land Use
- 2.6 Future Land Use

# 2.1 LOCAL & REGIONAL CONTEXT

The City of Waupun is located on the county line in northern Dodge and southwestern Fond du Lac Counties. Waupun is approximately fifteen miles southwest of the City of Fond du Lac, 13 miles north of the City of Beaver Dam, 52 miles northeast of the City of Madison, 70 miles northwest of the City of Milwaukee, and 44 miles south of the Fox Valley area. Waupun is surrounded by gently rolling hills of agriculture land and is two miles west of the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge. The City of Waupun's centralized location in a growing region and its proximity to other population centers will likely lead to a demand for recreation and park resources in excess of what the local population itself would demand.

Waupun offers many excellent public facilities including an impressive library, a popular senior center, numerous park shelters,

and an aquatic center. Waupun is also known as the "City of Sculpture" for having a rich collection of public statuary, including eight bronze statues commissioned or sculpted by Waupun native Clarence Shaler. These sculptures can be seen throughout the City. Today Waupun has one of the highest concentrations of public art per capita in the United States, including "The End of the Trail" (pictured below) located in Shaler Park on Madison Street.



# 2.2 TRANSPORTATION & CIRCULATION

The US 151 corridor, which runs north and south, is on the eastern boundary of Waupun. US 151 connects directly to Fond du Lac (I-41) and Madison (I-90/94). State Highway 49 is the other main highway which runs east and west through the City.

Pedestrian travel through the City is accommodated on sidewalks in most locations. Waupun has a sidewalk policy that requires new residential and commercial developments to install sidewalks within one year of construction. Bicycles are restricted to roadways in most locations and are subject to automobile signage and facilities.

In addition to sidewalks located along City streets, the 320-mile multi-use Rock River Trail also runs through the City from Waupun County Park to Tanner Park. The Wild Goose State Trail, a 32-mile county-operated trail located just west of Waupun,

skirts the western edge of the vast Horicon Marsh from the City of Fond du Lac to Clyman Junction. Refer to Section 3.5 of this plan for additional information on these facilities.

Snowmobile trails expand the range of seasonal recreational opportunities available in Fond Du Lac and Dodge Counties, providing attractions during winter which promotes year-round tourism. Snowmobile trails roughly form a loop around the City of Waupun. A portion of these trails are Stateowned and the remainder are club-owned trails.

Waupun has a demand service for transit. Sharedride taxi services are provided through Waupun Taxi Service. Users call in advance for taxi rides that may be shared with other riders. Fond Du Lac County also offers transportation options in Waupun for older adults and those with disabilities.

# **2.3 DEMOGRAPHICS**

This section describes some of the historic demographic trends for the City of Waupun as it pertains to population, age composition, housing, and school enrollment. This includes data from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) which is reported as a rolling average over a 5-year period, and the Bureau's Decennial Census survey (1980-2020).

Waupun is in a unique situation where a large portion of its population is institutionalized. There are three state prisons in Waupun: Burke Center, Dodge Correctional and Waupun Correctional. The numbers in tables 2.1 - 2.2 are inclusive of the institutionalized population which was estimated to be 2,867 according to the 2020 census. Housing data (table 2.3) does not include the institutionalized population.

# **POPULATION**

The most recent population estimate for the City is 11,344 (2020 census); this figure includes the City's prison population. From 2000 to 2020, the population of Waupun grew by 5.8%, out-pacing the percentage growth of Dodge County but slower than Fond du Lac County (7.0%) and Wisconsin overall (9.9%). According to WDOA population projections adjusted to reflect the results of the 2020 census, the City is expected to increase by 590 residents between 2020 and 2040. This represents a 4.2% increase over the 20-year period, or 0.21% annual growth. These projections are similar to the growth projected for Dodge and Fond du Lac Counties (3.8% and 4.2%, respectively), but lower than the growth projected for the State (8.1%). New park lands and facilities will be necessary to continue meeting the demands of new neighborhoods.

# AGE COMPOSITION

Age composition is an important consideration in park and recreational planning as needs and desires of individuals will vary based on their interests and physical abilities. The table on the right summarizes the age composition of the City's population from 2021 ACS 5-year estimates. Approximately 22% of the population is considered youth (<20 years old) which is slightly higher than the rate in 2010 (21.1%). Approximately 15.4% of the population is considered at retirement age (>60 years old), which is higher than the 2010 rate of 13.4%. This number is projected to grow as Baby Boomers continue to age, with similar trends are being seen across the nation. The median age of the City rose from 36.5 in 2010 to 38.5 in 2021, according to ACS estimates, which is below the State median (39.6).

# HOUSEHOLDS

Based on 2017-2021 ACS 5-year estimates, there were 4,165 households in the City, 33% of which include at least one child under 18 years old. The total number of households increased by 814 since the year 2000 and 514 since 2010. The average household size in 2021 was 2.48 individuals, higher than the rate in 2000 and 2010. National trends (and other communities across the State) are showing decreases in average household size which can be attributed to smaller family sizes, increases in life expectancy, and an increase in single parent households. Thus, it is likely that Waupun's average household size will fall in the coming years.

In total there are approximately 4,415 total housing units in the City according to the 2021 ACS 5-year estimates; 4,165 occupied units plus an additional 250 vacant units. Of the occupied units, 2,662 (63.9%) are owner-occupied with the remaining 1,503 (36.1%) being renter-occupied.

**Table 2.1 Population History & Projections**Source: U.S. Census and WI Department of AdministrationPopulation Projections, adjusted for 2020 Census Results

Population History & Projections						
	City of	Dodge	Fond du Lac			
	Waupun	County	County	Wisconsin		
1980	8,132	75,064	88,964	4,705,642		
1990	8,207	76,559	90,083	4,891,769		
2000	10,718	85,897	97,296	5,363,715		
2010	11,340	88,759	101,633	5,686,986		
2020	11,344	89,396	104,154	5,893,718		
	Proje	ections				
2025	10,730	92,021	106,817	6,086,628		
2030	10,961	94,156	108,890	6,255,437		
2035	10,948	94,321	109,333	6,353,901		
2040	10,750	92,826	108,555	6,368,975		
	Ch	ange				
1980-2020	3,212	14,332	15,190	1,188,076		
2020-2040	(594)	3,430	4,401	475,257		
	Percen	t Growth				
1980-2020	39.5%	19.1%	17.1%	25.2%		
2020-2040	-5.2%	3.8%	4.2%	8.1%		

#### Table 2.2 Age Composition

Source: 2021 ACS 5-Year Estimates

Age by Range				
Age	Total	Percentage		
0-9	1,175	10%		
10-19	1,350	12%		
20-29	1,506	13%		
30-39	2,013	18%		
40-49	1,466	13%		
50-59	1,393	12%		
60-69	1,423	12%		
70-79	488	4%		
80+	680	6%		
Median	38.5			

#### Table 2.3 Housing Statistics

Source: 2000 U.S. Census and ACS 5-Year Estimates

Households			
2000	3,351		
2010 ACS	3,651		
2021 ACS	4,165		
Average Household Size			
2000	2.38		
2010 ACS	2.25		
2021 ACS	2.48		
% of Households with individuals under 18			
2000	32%		
2010 ACS	16%		
2021 ACS	33%		

Placement of future park and recreational facilities should consider where multi-family buildings are located or planned as these types of housing units generally lack access to green space and play equipment as compared to single-family lots.

# SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

The City is part of the Waupun Area School District, which covers 242 square miles, including the City of Waupun and Fox Lake, and seven townships. Enrollment for the entire district for the 2021-2022 school year was 1,930 students. The public and private schools located in Waupun are listed in Chapter 3.

# 2.4 PHYSICAL CHARACTER ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

# LAKES AND PONDS

There is one man-made lake in Waupun, located in McCune Park (the former McCune Beach). McCune Beach is no longer used due to development of the Aquatic Center, but was a swimming area that provided opportunities for deep water swimming. The City developed a plan to re-purpose the entire park, including the beach area, during the previous CORP planning process. That master plan is included in Appendix D.

The City is located within close proximity of the Horicon Marsh. This marsh consists of both the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge, which is primarily administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Horicon Marsh Wildlife Area which is administered by the Wisconsin DNR. The total size of the marsh is approximately 31,904 acres which makes it one of the largest freshwater wetlands in the United States. The Horicon Marsh has been designated as a "Wetland of International Importance".

# **RIVERS AND STREAMS**

The South Branch of the Rock River is the primary surface water-body within the City. This river flows east for 17 miles through Fond du Lac County and joins with the West Branch of the Rock River just east of Waupun where it enters Horicon Marsh. Stream corridors to this resource include the Alto Tributary, a shallow, narrow stream with average depth less than three feet, and Willow Creek in the Town of Waupun.

The South Branch of the Rock River is listed on WDNR's Impaired Waters list due to Total Phosphorus and Sediment/Total Suspended Solids. Because of these pollutants, the river suffers from degraded habitat and low levels of dissolved oxygen. The source of pollutants in the South Branch of the Rock River is a blend of point and non-point sources. The South Branch of the Rock River is part of the Rock River basin which is in the process of implementing a total maximum daily load (TMDL). TMDLs are the amount of pollutant that a water-body can assimilate and not exceed water quality standards. To facilitate implementation, the WDNR has established an internal implementation team. The primary areas of focus for TMDL implementation are education/ outreach, monitoring & assessment, agriculture community, urban stormwater - MS4s, and Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permit holders.

# NATURAL VEGETATION

Waupun County Park contains State Natural Area (No. 51). This area, also called Waupun Park Maple Forest, features an outstanding old-growth remnant of southern mesic forest - a deciduous community type that originally covered an estimated 3.4 million acres in southern Wisconsin. The nearly level site is underlain by rich silt loam soils over calcareous till that supports many mature trees well over two feet



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in diameter. Sugar maple is the dominant canopy species, but there is a diversity of other large trees including red oak, white oak, basswood, white ash, and black walnut. Smaller mid-canopy trees are also present including slippery elm, eastern hophornbeam, black cherry, and butternut hickory. There is abundant reproduction of sugar maple and a striking absence of shrubs in the understory. The northwestern portion of the site is drier and contains a higher amount of oaks including black oak. There is a diversity of herbaceous plants with a rich mixture of spring flower including white and red baneberry, bloodroot, bluc cohosh, sharplobed hepatica, jack-in-the-pulpit, may-apple, phlox, spring-beauty, toothwort, large-flowered trillium, white trout-lily violets, Virginia waterleaf, and wood anemone. Waupun Park Maple Forest is owned by Fond du Lac County and was designated a State Natural Area in 1967.

As mentioned earlier, the Horicon Marsh is the one major remaining natural area 11 miles east of the City of Waupun. Horicon Marsh is the largest freshwater cattail marsh in the United States. Located in southeast Wisconsin, Horicon Marsh has been formally recognized as a Wetland of International Importance by the Ramsar Convention of the United Nations. This renowned marsh is now home to the Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center. The Wildlife Education Program has been conducted at the marsh since the mid-1980s. This program focuses on the abundant wildlife resources of the marsh, their ecology and applied management

# WILDLIFE

There is a wide variety of wildlife in both Fond du Lac and Dodge Counties, particularly due to the presence of Horicon Marsh. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources maintains a Natural Heritage Inventory which locates and documents rare species and natural communities, including federal threatened and endangered species. A comprehensive list can be found through the WDNR's Natural Heritage Inventory (http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/nhi/).

The natural resources of the City are many and varied and provide an attractive character to the City and also the potential for varied recreation opportunities. Perhaps the greatest recreation potential for these environmental corridors will be as linear parks and trail corridors linking the City's

recreation, employment, commercial and school sites.

# 2.5 EXISTING LAND USE AND ZONING

According to the United States Census Bureau, the City has a total area of 4.68 square miles of land and 0.06 square miles is water. Using 2017-2021 ACS estimates, the population density of Waupun is 2,424 inhabitants per square mile.

Residential development is most dense north of Lincoln Street; however, there is a neighborhood west of Waupun High School and one south of Claggett Avenue, west of US 151.

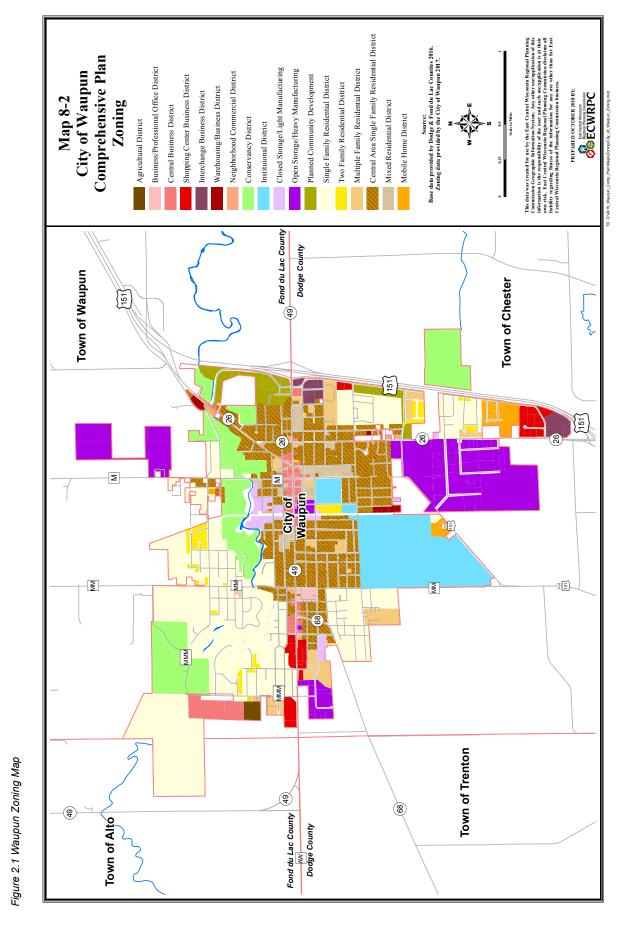
Commercial land uses are located primarily along Main Street (WIS 49). There are several additional commercial sites scattered throughout the community.

Manufacturing development has occurred along the railway line, and in the business park, located in the southeast corner of the City. There is also an industrial area on the west side of Waupun on Brown Street.

The cumulative effect of the existing land use patterns and roadway system divides the community into geographic neighborhoods and can limit access to recreation facilities. The primary barriers in Waupun include the South Branch of the Rock River, the railroad, WIS 49 and CTH M. Refer to the City's Zoning Map on the next page.

# 2.6 FUTURE LAND USE PLANS

The future growth of the City is guided by the City's 2018 Comprehensive Plan. The current plan sets forth the desired development pattern for the City over the comprehensive planning period, which is through 2040. The plan also gives guidance to accommodate projected population, household, and employment growth; the infrastructure and institutions required to serve residential, commercial, and industrial uses in the City; and the City's agricultural and natural resource base. Refer to Figure 2.2 for the City's Future Land Use map.



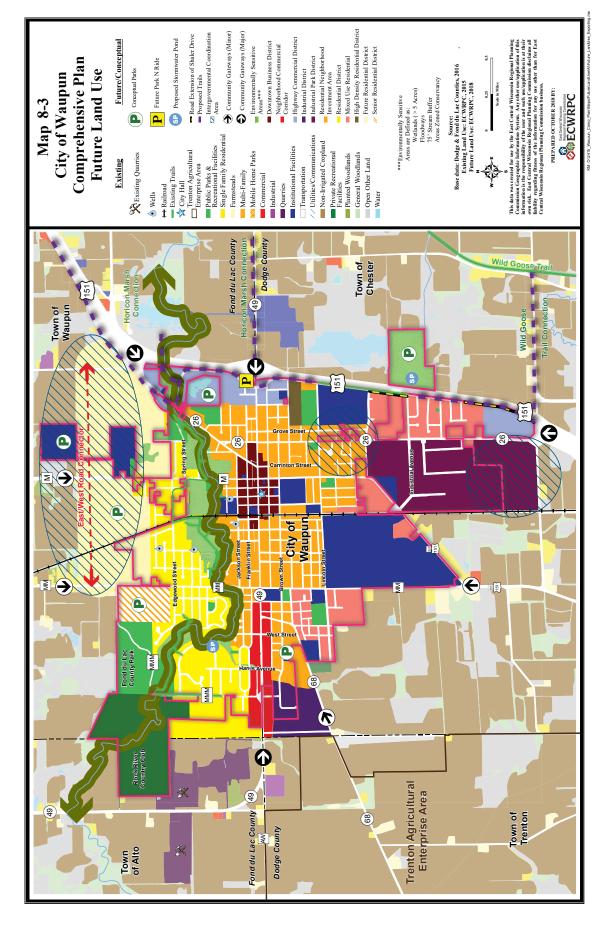


Figure 2.2 Waupun Future Land Use

As stated in the Waupun's 2018 Comprehensive Plan, few changes in the City's overall development pattern are expected. In the planning area outside the City, planned uses are likely to follow existing patterns of land use, which are predominately residential. Given the City's built out nature, there are more opportunities for redevelopment of existing parcels rather than greenfield expansion.

Chapter 8 of the Comprehensive Plan lays out the City's vision for residential development through 2040, divided into six different districts. These include: Residential Neighborhood Investment Area, Residential District, Mixed Use Residential District, High Density Residential District, Future Residential District, and Senior Residential District. Many of these districts have little to no opportunities for new development, with the following exceptions.

69 acres of vacant, developable land (circa 2015) are noted within the Mixed Use Residential District, as well the potential need for additional public recreational land/parks to accommodate additional residential growth.

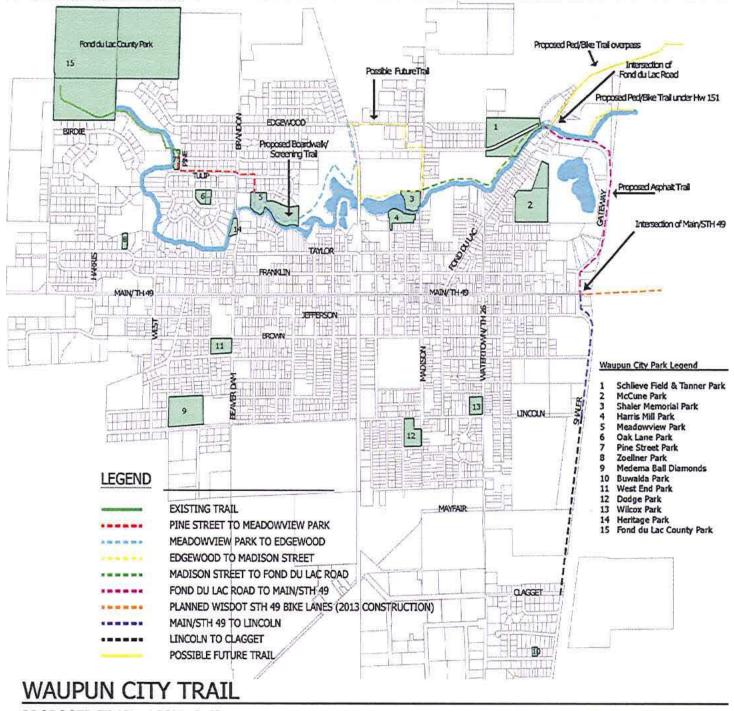
Additionally, the Future Residential District north of the City's 2015 boundary is predominately undeveloped, with single family homes on large lots are most likely to be developed. The plan notes that new public recreation lands, trails, and/ or parks will likely be needed here to accommodate future residents.

New recreational land, parks, and trails will likely be needed as these planned residential districts areas develop, including linkages to existing City neighborhoods, parks, and businesses via bicycle and recreational trails.

Figure 2.3 provides an overview of existing and planned on and off-road bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Additional recommendations regarding planned bicycle and pedestrian facilities are described in Section 6.3 of this plan.



#### Figure 2.3 Proposed Pedestrian/Bicycle Paths



PROPOSED TRAIL ALIGNMENT JULY 2010

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# Chapter 3:

# PARK, OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

- **3.1 City-Owned Facilities & Existing Recreation Programs**
- **3.2 Privately-Owned Facilities**
- 3.3 School Facilities
- **3.4 County Parks**
- 3.5 Regional Parks & Recreation Facilities

# 3.1 CITY-OWNED FACILITIES & EXISTING RECREATION PROGRAMS

The Recreation Board oversees the City's 20 park facilities totaling 84 acres. The system is represented by eight types of parks: miniparks, neighborhood playgrounds, neighborhood parks, community ballfields, community parks, nature preserves, special purpose parks, and undeveloped lands. Refer to Appendix B for a description of the characteristics of each of these park classifications.

Table 3.2 (page 27) lists each City park, acreage, and amenities. The location of each park is shown on the Existing Parks and Trails map in Appendix C.

# **CITY-OWNED FACILITIES**

#### **Buwalda Park**

A 0.4-acre neighborhood playground located on Buwalda Drive. The park contains a small picnic shelter with storage, playground equipment, drinking water, and a single hoop basketball court.

## **Dodge Park**

A 3.4-acre neighborhood park located on South Madison Street. The park has two lighted tennis courts, playground equipment, a backstop, basketball court, shelter, grills, drinking water, restroom and picnic tables. During the summer Waupun Fine Arts hosts several concerts in the park at this location. The park provides ample open space areas and mature trees which provide shade.

### **Dog Park**

A 4.0-acre special purpose park located on North Madison Street. The park is completely fenced in with a special entry for dog leashing and unleashing. Park amenities include off-street parking and a bag and waste receptacle.

## **Harris Mill Park**

A 2.6-acre neighborhood park located on North Mill Street. The park was the former site of the old mill factory, but was purchased by the City in 2001. Park amenities include a gazebo, ADA accessible observation pier, shore fishing, a pavilion, restrooms, drinking water, picnic tables, bike racks, off-street parking and a lighted biking/ walking trail that connects this park to Shaler Memorial Park. Maintenance and upkeep of the flower beds continues through a partnership with the Waupun Garden Club and inmates from John C. Burke Correctional.

### **Heritage Park**

A 0.9-acre mini park located on Brandon Street. The park contains a picnic table and benches. A decorative windmill structure, donated by Klompenfest, is located in the park.

### Johnson's West End Park

A 2.7-acre neighborhood park located on Beaver Dam Street. The park is located adjacent to the community hospital, thus use by the hospital and city visitors can be expected. Park facilities include playground equipment, a backstop, basketball court, lighted tennis courts, horseshoe pits, offstreet parking, shelter, restroom, grills, drinking Table 3.1 Waupun Park Acreage

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Mini Parks	2.7
Heritage Park	0.9
Richard Holmes Park	1.8
Neighborhood Playgrounds	6.9
Buwalda Park	0.4
Pine Street Park	1.3
Tanner Park	4.5
Zoellner Park	0.7
Neighborhood Parks	10.6
Dodge Park	3.4
Harris Mill Park	2.6
Johnson's West End Park	2.7
Wilcox Park	1.9
Community Ballfield	32.7
Medema Ball Diamonds	9.7
Schlieve Field	5.0
Spring Street Diamond C	1.5
Waupun Baseball Complex	16.5
Community Parks	11.6
McCune Park	11.6
Nature Preserve	7.4
Meadow View Heights Park	7.4
Special Purpose Parks	9.6
Shaler Memorial Park	2.7
Waupun Family Aquatic Center	2.9
Dog Park	4.0
Undeveloped Parks	2.1
Oak Lane Park	2.1
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Buwalda Park



Dodge Park

water, bike racks and picnic tables. The park is the most frequently used and rented park due to its central location and mixture of amenities.

# **McCune Park**

An 11.6-acre community park located on Chapman Place and North Grove Street. Park amenities include playground equipment, a backstop, lighted baseball/softball diamond, basketball court, lighted volleyball courts, off-street parking, a shelter, restroom, concession stand, drinking water, bike racks, bleachers, and picnic tables.

# **Meadow View Heights Park**

A 7.4-acre nature preserve located on Meadow View Circle. Park amenities include a bike/walking trail and off-street parking. A wetland wildlife area covers much of the site and is surrounded by open grassy areas with a scattering of trees.

# Medema Ball Diamonds

A 9.7-acre community ballfield located on West Lincoln Street. The park hosts youth, high school and women's softball leagues along with several tournaments. There are three (two lighted) diamonds located on this parcel which is leased for 99 years from the Waupun School district. Other park amenities include playground equipment, backstop, batting cage, soccer field, off-street parking, shelter, restroom, concession stand, drinking water, bleachers and picnic tables.

# **Oak Lane Park**

A 2.1-acre undeveloped park located on Oak Lane and Fern Street.

# **Pine Street Park**

A 1.3-acre neighborhood playground located on Pine Street. The park is mostly open grassy land along the Rock River. The Rock River Trail, also known as the TeBeest Trail, is a 10' wide paved trail that skirts the northern edge of the park, crosses the Rock River and leads to the Fond du Lac County Park. Additional park amenities include shore fishing, playground equipment, a portable restroom and picnic tables.

# **Richard Holmes Park**

A 1.8-acre mini park located on North Madison Street along the Rock River, between Shaler Memorial Park and Rock River Intermediate School. The park contains no facilities other than picnic tables/benches.





Dog Park

McCune Park





Harris Mill Park

Meadow View Heights Park





Heritage Park



Johnson's West End Park

Medema Ball Diamonds



Oak Lane Park

#### Schlieve Field

A 5.0-acre community ballfield located on West Spring Street. Park facilities include a backstop, batting cage, lighted baseball/softball diamond, off-street parking, shelter, restroom, concession stand, drinking water, bleachers and picnic tables.

#### Shaler Memorial park

A 2.7-acre special purpose park located on North Madison Street. The park contains James Earl Fraser's "End of the Trail" statue and historical marker explaining the Shaler name in the history of Waupun and a plaque installed on a rock indicating that the park was the site of the first homestead in Waupun. The park is home to a Veterans memorial and walls were added stating the names of Waupun area veterans who served in the armed forces. Park facilities include shore fishing, off-street parking and picnic tables.

#### **Spring Street Diamond C**

A 1.5-acre community ballfield located on West Spring Street. The park contains a backstop, baseball/softball diamond, off-street parking, bleachers and picnic tables.

#### Tanner Park

A 4.5-acre neighborhood playground located on West Spring Street. Park facilities include playground equipment, picnic tables and off-street parking. The park also has a lighted sledding hill, climbing equipment and disc golf.

#### Waupun Baseball Complex

A 16.5-acre community ballfield located on East Lincoln Street across from the Waupun Junior/ Senior High School. The park is home field of the Waupun Warriors High School baseball team and several other youth teams. Park amenities include playground equipment, a lighted baseball/softball diamond, off-street parking and restroom.

#### Waupun Family Aquatic Center

A 2.9-acre special purpose park located on County Park Road. The facility features zero depth entry, two water slides, a kiddie slide, water spouts and fountains, a lap pool area and two diving boards. Other facilities include a bike/walking trail, off-street parking, restroom, concession stand, drinking water and picnic tables. The aquatic center offers swim lessons, water aerobics, lap swim, swim team and open swim, among others.



Pine Street Park



Richard Holmes Park



Schlieve Field



Shaler Memorial Park



Spring Street Diamond C

#### Wilcox Park

A 1.9-acre neighborhood park located on South Watertown Street. "The Pioneers" statue is located at this park. The park also has the Auto Race Historical Marker which details the Auto Race from Green Bay to Madison. Park amenities include playground equipment, backstop, basketball court, horseshoe pits, shelter, restroom, drinking water and picnic tables.

#### **Zoellner Park**

A 0.7-acre neighborhood playground located on Newton Avenue. The park contains a small picnic shelter with bathrooms, playground equipment, storage building, picnic tables and drinking fountain.

#### INDOOR CITY-OWNED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

#### **Community & Senior Center**

The City's current Community Center, located adjacent to Schlieve Field and Spring Street Diamond C, is a 24,500 square foot facility that can accommodate large events or be sectioned off for smaller events. The facility also hosts an ice arena and ice hockey. The Senior Center is located in Downtown Waupun, and is open to all seniors, age 50+, whether they live in Waupun or surrounding communities. The center offers a variety of services and programs.

Due to deteriorating conditions, the exisiting senior center is slated to be replaced with a new facility in 2024 located at at 520 McKinley St in downtown Waupun. See Section 6.3 and the Proposed Parks & Trails map in Appendix C for more information.

#### Historic City Hall Auditorium

The City Hall Auditorium has wonderful acoustics and incredible charm. The auditorium is the perfect setting for events of elegance including wedding receptions. Small to medium events, plays, concerts or other performances are ideal for this facility. The balcony and main floor will accommodate groups up to 668 people.



Tanner Park



Waupun Baseball Complex



Waupun Family Aquatic Center



Wilcox Park



Zoellner Park

#### **BICYCLE ROUTES AND TRAILS**

Figure 2.3 (Refer to Chapter 2) provides an overview of existing on and off-road bicycle routes in the City. Additional recommendations regarding these facilities are described under Section 6.3 of this plan.

#### PROGRAMMING

The City's Recreation Department offers a wide variety of programming throughout the year for youth, adult and family. Programming varies by season. Examples of programming for youth include softball, baseball, wrestling, hockey and martial arts. Examples of programming for adults include horseshoes, dancing, and softball. For current offerings visit the City's Parks and Recreation home page: <u>https://www.cityofwaupun.org/parksrec/page/parks-and-recreation-home.</u>

#### 3.2 PRIVATELY-OWNED FACILITIES & RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS

Privately-owned facilities provide valuable recreational facilities for communities. Furthermore, these lands serve as buffers to development, trail corridors and open space for wildlife. Continued cooperation between Waupun and these valued neighbors will help to maintain the quality of life now enjoyed by the residents of Waupun.

#### **PRIVATE FACILITIES**

#### **Rock River Country Club**

The Rock River Country Club (128 acres), located on County Park Road is a semi-private facility which provides an 18 hole golf course and driving range. The Country Club is on land located adjacent to the west of Waupun County Park. The Rock River flows through the golf course and a snowmobile trail crosses over the property.

#### **PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS**

#### Waupun Area Recreation Project (WARP)

WARP is a non-profit organization founded by Waupun-area businesses, individuals and the Waupun Area Chamber of Commerce. The goal of the project is to promote and maintain the recreational, environmental, historic, economic and quality-of-life assets offered by the Rock River, Horicon Marsh, City of Waupun and surrounding townships. Over the past two years WARP has focused on the Aquatic Center and Disc Golf Course. WARP's 2016 goals included:

- Repurpose the McCune beach area. Based on a recent ADA study of the City's parks, this may include the addition of an all-inclusive playground for all ages and abilities.
- Continue to maintain and expand disc golf course to include a beginner's course. Plan more tournaments and offer free instruction to youth groups.
- Enhance the bike trails in the area with the goal of linking them with the Wild Goose State Trail.



Rock River Country Club Source: MSA

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Ice hockey and skating also available in the Community Center.

#### **3.3 SCHOOL FACILITIES**

Schools can provide many of the same facilities found in a recreational park, such as playground equipment and athletic fields. However, school properties are not completely interchangeable with park facilities because of student use when school is in session. Coordination of community recreation and school needs can lead to greater cost efficiencies. The Waupun Recreation Department recognizes the importance of providing safe routes to school, and is actively pursuing a bicycle and pedestrian system that permits safe travel to school. The Recreation Department looks forward to continued cooperation and mutual support with the Waupun Area School District.

**Waupun Area Jr./Sr. High School** (43 acres) is located on East Lincoln Avenue, on the east side of the City. The school site contains a baseball field, soccer field/football field, storage shed, outdoor high/low ropes challenge course and an open playfield.

**Rock River Intermediate School** (23.5 acres) is located on East Spring Street, along the Rock River in the northeastern portion of the City. The school is on the north side of the River and a bridge connects the school to a recreation area south of the River. The site contains Veterans Memorial Field (11.8-acres) which features a running track, four tennis courts, a football field, concession stand and picnic shelter. The football field serves as the home field for the high school. Richard Holmes Park provides a paved walkway through the school area. A soccer field is located on the north side of the river, just east of the school. This site is also home to a portion of a disc golf course.



**Meadow View Elementary School** (15.3 acres) is located at 601 Grandview Avenue on the property shared with the City's Medema Ball Diamonds. In addition to the ball diamonds, the property has amble general field space which supports multiple soccer fields of various sizes. The school also has playground equipment and paved areas for blacktop games.

**Central Wisconsin Christian 3/4K - 12 School** (5.5 acres) is located on Fox Lake Road, along the southwest edge of the City. The school has playground equipment, a hard surface for basketball and a soccer practice field. Mudler Field, a soccer field with lights and a concession stand, is also located on the school property. Moveable soccer nets and additional play ares are located on the site. Off-street parking is available.



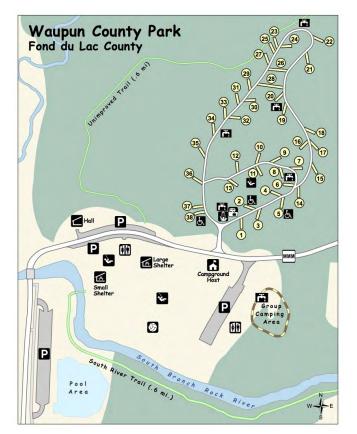
Mulder Field Source: Google Maps

Rock River Intermediate School Source: gannett-cdn.com

#### **3.4 COUNTY FACILITIES**

#### **Waupun County Park**

A 103-acre campground and park located on County Park Road. The park is owned and operated by Fond du Lac County. The northeastern 40 acres of the park is a State Natural Area, with hiking and skiing trails. The Rock River flows through the middle of the park southeast toward the City of Waupun. The park consists of 42 public campsites along with plenty of open space with recreational areas. The nature trails serve as cross-country ski trails in the winter and a snowmobile trail is also accessible from the southern portion of the park. The open space recreation area consists of a variety of playground equipment, picnic areas, shelter buildings, updated restrooms, an open playfield, and a campground bathhouse. The campground and playground area cover the western 63 acres of the park. Off-street parking is available. The park is also home to the 9-hole WARP Disc Golf Course.



Waupun County Park Source: fdlcountyparks.com



Waupun Disc Golf Course Source: waupunfestivals.com

## 3.5 REGIONAL PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Waupun is in the northern portion of the WDNR's South Central Region and the southern part of the Northeast Region and is well-served by regional parks and open spaces. There are several other park and recreational facilities within close proximity to the City of Waupun in public ownership. The following list provides the most significant facilities within the Waupun region that residents most likely would use. It is not an exhaustive list, but provides a variety of recreational activities. For more information, contact the representative websites.



Wild Goose State Trail Source: service-life.com

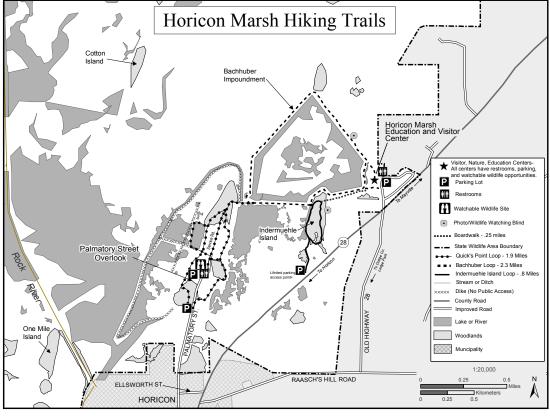
#### Wild Goose State Trail

A 34-mile long multi-use recreation trail located on the former Chicago-Northwestern Railroad right-ofway two miles east of the City of Waupun. The trail runs from the City of Fond du Lac south to WIS 60, just south of the City of Juneau in Dodge County. The trail serves hiking, bicycling, cross-country skiing, horseback riding, snowmobiling, and winter all-terrain vehicle use. The trail is owned by the WDNR and is operated by Dodge and Fond du Lac counties. Though located outside of the City, one of the City's goals is to connect a city-wide walk/bike trail to the Wild Goose State Trail.

#### **Horicon State Wildlife Area**

The Horicon State Wildlife Area makes up the southern one-third of the Horicon Marsh, totaling approximately 11,009 acres. This State-owned and WDNR-operated wildlife area provides a variety of recreational opportunities while still protecting nesting habitats and critical resource areas. Canoeing, fishing, hunting, wildlife watching, and hiking are the primary recreational activities available in this area. There are four WDNR managed boat landings that provide access to the marsh. The "Conservation Hill" area near the old Department of the Natural Resources field station contains hiking/cross country ski trails and scenic overlooks of the marsh. Hiking trails are also available nearby, on Indermuehle Island and One Mile Island.

The Marsh Haven Nature Center is located approximately three miles north of the Horicon Marsh (three miles east of Waupun). The Nature Center is a non-profit, volunteer supported center that features displays and exhibits that depict the history and wildlife of Horicon Marsh. The site also features a classroom/meeting room with full kitchen access for teaching and meeting needs, an outdoor amphitheater and indoor theater, bunkhouse/lodge for overnight adventures, and the only observation tower, campfire and group camping accommodations on the Horicon Marsh. Wildlife feeding stations are located on the side of the gift shop so visitors can see a variety of birds up close.

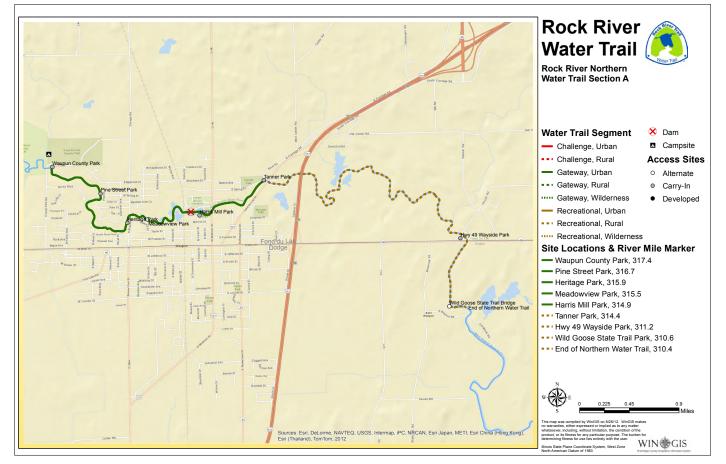


Horicon Marsh Hiking Trails Source: horiconmarsh.org

#### **Rock River Trail Initiative**

A 320-mile multi-use river trail established in 2010 that runs through Wisconsin and Illinois and 11 counties. The trail runs from the headwaters in Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, to the Mississippi River at Rock Island, Illinois and is recognized as a National Water Trail by the National Park Service. Visitors can hike, bike, paddle or drive the trail. There is a separate Rock River Route on roads and trails within the river corridor that provide access for all to the natural resources, recreational opportunities, scenic beauty and historic and cultural assets of the Rock River Valley.

The Rock River Trail Initiative is led by a Council which implements and sustains the vision for a trail system within the Rock River corridor and the achievement of trail goals through public and private partnerships. More information abou the trail can be found at <u>https://rockrivertrail.com/.</u>



Rock River Water Trail Source: WinGIS

## Chapter 4: ANALYSIS OF NEEDS & DEMANDS

4.1 Quantitative Analysis4.2 Geographic Analysis4.3 Qualitative Analysis4.4 Regional & State Trends

This chapter presents an analysis of how well the City's existing park and recreational facilities satisfy current needs in the community. The adequacy of the City's existing park and recreation system are evaluated using the following methods:

» Quantitative Analysis – a comparison of existing parkland acreage and population projections.

»Geographic Analysis – an analysis of the geographic distribution of park facilities in the City.

»Qualitative Analysis – a summary of public input regarding City parks and recreational facilities gathered through the community survey.

»Regional & State Trends – a summary of the demand or trends in recreational amenities at the county and state level.

#### 4.1 QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS

An analysis of existing recreational land area is provided to determine if the recreational needs of residents are being met. This analysis is limited to an evaluation of the space, or land, devoted to recreational use.

It should be noted that the calculations below **exclude** Waupun's prison population. Waupun is in a unique situation where a large portion of its population is institutionalized. There are three state prisons in Waupun: Burke Center, Dodge Correctional and Waupun Correctional. The estimated prison population in 2020 was 2,867 (2020 Census estimate for the adult institutionalized population living in group quarters correctional facilities).

Currently the City is providing approximately 83.5 acres of parkland, not counting school facilities, county facilities, or private facilities. This translates to .0098 acres of parkland per person, or 9.8 acres per 1,000 residents.

Table 4.1 City Park Acreage Existing and Projected Surplus/Deficit

Total Park A	creage Su	rplus/Defi	cit (in acre	s)	
Year	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
Population	8,477	8,793	9,067	9,100	8,956
Total Supply (acres)	83.5	83.5	83.5	83.5	83.5
Demand (10.5 acres/1,000)	89.0	92.3	95.2	95.6	94.0
Surplus (10.5 acres/1,000)	-5.5	-8.9	-11.7	-12.1	-10.6

Table 4.1 summarizes the current and projected supply and demand for total parkland acreage based on the City's population. For the purpose of calculating anticipated parkland demand, a level of service of 10.5 per 1,000 residents was assumed. A standard provided by National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is 10.5 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents (0.5 acres for Mini-Parks, 2.0 acres for Neighborhood Parks, and 8.0 acres for Community Parks). Since 2010 it has been the City's policy to strive for 10.5 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents.

Using a level of service standard of 10.5 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents and the most recent census population figure, the City currently has a deficit of 5.5 acres. Assuming the population projections are correct, and the City does not add additional parkland, the total deficit will grow to 10.6 acres by the year 2040.

Figure 4.1 NRPA Park Acreage National Comparison

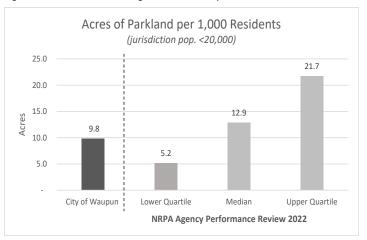


Figure 4.1 shows the existing park acreage per 1,000 residents for Waupun in comparison to other jurisdictions of similar size across the United States. The graph shows that the City is above the lower quartile, but below the median and upper quartile for parkland availability nationally among jurisdictions with less than 20,000 people.

#### 4.2 GEOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS

Although the total acreage of park and recreation lands is an easy indicator of the presence of parks and recreation space, it is not the only indicator of whether a community is able to meet the park and recreation needs of its residents. The NRPA advocates that the location of parkland, and the types of recreational facilities offered on that land, are just as important as the total acres of parkland. A community with a lot of parkland, but few recreational facilities, is less likely to meet the needs of its residents than a community which has a lesser amount of parkland, but has a larger variety of recreational opportunities.

The NRPA, in partnership with the Trust for Public Land and the Urban Land Institute, promotes the 10-Minute Walk Campaign (<u>https://10minutewalk.org</u>) which advocates for "a great park within a 10-minute walk of every person, in every neighborhood, in every city across America."

The area in green on the Park Service Area Map in Appendix C shows where in Waupun residents live within a roughly 10-minute walk of a city-owned park. The majority of the Waupun is covered by this area, indicating that this City's parks are generally well distributed geographically throughout the community.

The two large gaps in the southern portion of the City are occupied by the Dodge Correctional Institute and an area zoned primarily for open storage and heavy manufacturing with no adjacent residential districts, making them inappropriate locations for future parks.

Where the Park Service Map indicates a likely need for additional parkland to ensure residents have convenient access to parks are:

» The southern tip of the City, south of Country View Dr. A park in this area is needed to serve the residential land zoned for mobile homes.

» The south eastern section of land zoned as a Conservancy District.

»Northern portions of the City where there are existing residential neighborhoods and open areas for future development, such as north of Edgewood Dr.

Please refer to the Proposed Parks and Trails in Appendix C and section 6.3 for a list of new of new park facilities intended to help fill the gaps identified in the geographic analysis.

#### 4.3 QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

As part of the update to this plan, the Parks and Recreation Department administered an on-line community survey to gather residents' opinions regarding City park facilities and recreational programs. The survey was available online and hosted on Survey Monkey. A total of 77 people started; not every question was completed by each respondent. The following is a summary of responses to key questions. Refer to Appendix A for the complete results and number of respondents per question.

#### **PARK ACTIVITIES**

»60% or more of survey respondents or members of their household commonly bike/walk or use playground equipment in the City's parks.

» 95% of respondents indicated they do not have any safety concerns with City parks; this rate was 89% for the 2017 CORP update. Of those that had



concerns, primary topics accessibility concerns for folks with mobility issues and a lack of lighting within the parks.

»The top five amenities respondents would like to see added, improved or expanded in Waupun include an *indoor pool, splash pad, ice skating/ hockey rink, off-road walking/biking trails, and an indoor athletic complex.* An indoor pool was also the most popular new facility respondents would like to see added in the 2017 CORP. Other common open-ended responses included more better lighting in park shelters, electric car charging, and shuffleboard.

#### GENERAL USE - PARKS & OPEN SPACE

»The most common responses when asked what respondents' <u>favorite park</u> was included Waupun County Park, Johnson's West End Park, and Dodge Park.

» The most common responses when asked which park respondents <u>frequent most often</u> included Johnson's West End Park (25%), Waupun county Park (23%), and Pine Street Park (13%).

»36% of respondents' household participated in City-sponsored recreation programming in the last year. In 2017, that rate was 53%.

»61% of respondents' household visited/used the Community Center in the past year, one percentage point less than the rate of respondents in 2017.

»22% of respondents' household visited/used the Senior Center in the past year.

»60% of respondents' households visited/used the Aquatic Center in the past year. The rate was 73% in 2017.

»23% of respondents' household visit City parks three or more times per week, with an additional 29% visiting City parks 1-2 times per week.

»55% of respondents' households do not commonly travel (at least once per month) to other communities to use specific park and recreation facilities. Respondents that do travel out of Waupun listed Beaver Dam, Ripon, and several nearby lakes.

#### **GENERAL USE - BIKE & PEDESTRIAN**

»78% of respondents walk for exercise at least once per week and 22% bike for exercise at least once per week.

»58% of respondents feel safe using a paved offroad trail. 31% feel safe used a dedicated bike lane with no barrier from cars.



#### 4.4 REGIONAL & STATE TRENDS

#### INSIGHTS FROM THE WISCON-SIN STATEWIDE OUTDOOR COM-PREHENSIVE RECREATION PLAN (SCORP), 2019-2023.

According to the 2019-2023 Wisconsin Statewide Outdoor Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), 95% of Wisconsin residents participate in some form of outdoor recreation. The goals listed below are recommended to help provide Wisconsinites better access to outdoor recreation opportunities and to help improve public health and wellness:

#### 1. Boost participation in outdoor recreation

Increase Wisconsin residents' participation and frequency of participation in outdoor recreation.

#### 2. Grow partnerships

Continue to strengthen connections and partnerships across the spectrum of agencies, organizations, and businesses with vested interest in outdoor recreation.

#### 3. Provide high-quality experiences

Provide opportunities and settings - across the full range of public and private recreation lands - that, collectively, meet the state's recreational needs.

### 4. Improve data to enhance visitor experiences and benefits

On an ongoing basis, gather, analyze, and distribute data on recreation participation in Wisconsin and associated economic, health, and social benefits.

Broaden and strengthen the funding sources for developing and managing outdoor recreation facilities and lands.

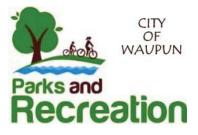
The SCORP also features a Recreation Opportunities Analysis (ROA) for each region within the state. The ROA examines existing outdoor-recreation opportunities compared to future opportunities in eight regions throughout Wisconsin. Dodge County is located in the Southern Gateways region. The Southern Gateways region contains a variety of environments - rolling hills in the south, the centrally-located Wisconsin River, and large marshes in the east - the combination of which provides a wide array of recreational opportunities.

The region also has a number of important geologic features, including Devil's Lake - one of Wisconsin's most popular recreation destinations. The rapid development around Madison has also increased demand for urban-based recreation opportunities such as dog parks, bicycle trails and developed sports facilities.

The ROA found that residents of the Southern Gateways region participate in the following activities at higher rates than the State average:

- ATV/UTV riding
- Bicycling on surfaced trails, mountain biking and single track
- Tent camping
- Canoeing/kayaking
- Cross-country skiing/snowshoeing
- Fishing from shore, boat, canoe and kayak
- Hiking, walking and running on trails
- Big game hunting (deer, bear)

#### 5. Enhance funding and financial stability



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# GOALS, OBJECTIVES & POLICIES

#### 5.1 Goals, Objectives, Policies & Programs

This chapter describes the goals, objectives, policies and programs intended to provide context when making decisions regarding the development and maintenance of parks, recreation and open space.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

It is the mission of the City of Waupun Parks and Recreation Department to create recreational opportunities for growth and enhancement by developing diverse services and programs that promote citizen involvement and a strong sense of community while striving to increase the social, cultural, and physical well-being of its residents and visitors.

#### 5.1 GOALS, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES & PROGRAMS

Goal 1: A city-wide systems of parks, recreation and open space that provides safe and accessible recreational opportunities to meet the needs and demands of the citizens of the City of Waupun and its visitors.

<u>Objective 1</u>: Acquire park and recreation sites and develop facilities to meet or exceed the recommended standards and community and surrounding area needs.

<u>Objective 2</u>: Provide recreational lands and facilities for all City residents within a readily accessible location and distance.

<u>Objective 3</u>: Acquire open space recreation corridors, where possible, to link developed areas with recreation facilities.

<u>Objective 4</u>: Provide a diversity of recreational opportunities so that residents of all age, race, creed, sex and economic status have an equal opportunity to enjoy the park and open space system.

<u>Objective 5</u>: Provide residential areas of the City with good pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular access to all Recreation Department facilities.

<u>Objective 6</u>: Provide opportunities for multiseasonal recreation activities.

<u>Objective 7</u>: Continually monitor and maintain existing park equipment and vegetation to ensure its longevity and safety.

#### **Policies & Programs**

- 1. Maintain a minimum service level of 10.5 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents.
- 2. Seek to ensure that all residential homes are within a 1/3-mile or less distance from some type of public park and open space facility.
- 3. The park and recreation system should provide opportunities for all persons regardless of race, creed, age, sex or economic status.

- 4. Seek to grow the diversity of recreational facilities and amenities available in the City through parkland acquisition and development.
- 5. Facility development must be reviewed with safety in mind, adhering to accepted standards prior to installation including applicable Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) standards, American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) standards, and Americans with Disabilities (ADA) standards.
- 6. Make every effort to repair, replace, or remove park facilities that become broken or otherwise become a safety hazard. Upon learning of any defective park facility the City may post notice of a park closure or park facility closure until such time as corrective measures can be taken.

#### Goal 2: A system of recreation and open space areas that preserve significant natural, cultural or historical resources of the City.

<u>Objective 1</u>: Acquire or encourage other governmental acquisition of environmentally sensitive and unique lands for open space recreation to preserve them from damaging development.

<u>Objective 2</u>: Design park and recreational facilities with the natural environment in mind by considering project impacts to the environment.

#### **Policies & Programs**

- 1. Preserve natural features and conserve natural resources associated with the Rock River for the benefit of the community.
- 2. Preserve the role of wetlands as essential components of the hydrologic system and valuable wildlife habitat. Protect floodplain areas to emphasize their value to the City as potential focal points of natural beauty and recreation.
- 3. Encourage public awareness of environmental and cultural resources by installing interpretative signage or historical markers within City parks.

4. Continue to strengthen the City's brand as *the City of Sculpture* by commissioning additional installations of art within City parks.

### Goal 3: Parks and open space areas used as a means to guide urban development and growth.

<u>Objective 1</u>: Proactively acquire lands for recreation and open space use in areas where development is likely to occur, seeking lands not well suited for development such as steep slopes, floodplains, wetlands and wooded areas.

#### **Policies & Programs**

- 1. Park and open space land should be located where it will most likely provide the greatest benefit to the population served. All parks should have multiple access points from surrounding neighborhoods.
- 2. Neighborhood parks should be sited and designed to enhance neighborhood cohesion and provide a common neighborhood gathering place.
- 3. All new residential development in the City shall meet the park and open space standards and recommendations as outlined in this plan and implemented by the City of Waupun Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance, Official Map and Parkland Dedication Ordinance. This shall include sufficient land dedication for use as parkland or fees in lieu of.
- 4. Guide the location and design of development to minimize potential adverse impacts on the quality of ground and surface waters.
- 5. Park development should be planned to avoid creating nuisance situation between neighbors and park users. Private development near parks should do the same.

#### Goal 4: A City Park System utilizing input and resources from the public, organizations, and other agencies in the planning, development and operation.

<u>Objective 1</u>: Coordinate park activities/facilities with civic, private, City, County and State agencies and organizations to complement offerings without unnecessary duplication.

#### COMPLYING WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The ADA, enacted in 1990, clearly states the right of equal access for persons to local government services, including parks. On September 15, 2010 the Department of Justice published revised final regulations implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act. The 2010 Standards included new provisions for accessible design for recreational facilities such as playgrounds, swimming pools, fishing and golf facilities. Similar to when the original 1991 ADA Standards were adopted for public buildings, a community is required to complete a selfevaluation of their recreational facilities for ADA compliance by March 15, 2012. Those communities with 50 or more full or parttime employees are also required to develop a Transition Plan, which identifies what corrective work will be completed, when it will be completed, and the individual responsible for the corrective work. Any new recreational facilities designed, constructed, or shaped after March 15, 2012 are subject to the 2010 Standards. Any alteration (not simple maintenance, but something that changes the way the site is used) must make the element altered accessible and must create an accessible path of travel through the site or facility to that element.

There are some fundamental differences in how accessibility in the outdoors is accommodated compared to indoors or the built environment. While restrooms. shelters, interpretive centers, and parking lots, for example, need to follow detailed ADA guidelines, other improvements such as trails or swimming beach areas, for example, do not necessarily need to follow indoor or built environment ramp grades or surfacing requirements. A good rule of thumb for the City to follow is that anything constructed must not make the outdoor experience anymore difficult than what occurs naturally. Mother Nature does not have to comply with ADA, but the City does.

<u>Objective 2</u>: Continue to work together with and assist municipalities and other organizations in recreation planning and development.

<u>Objective 3</u>: Update the City Park and Open Space Plan at least once every five years and solicit input from City residents.

<u>Objective 4</u>: Encourage the establishment and activities of "Friends" and local user groups as a means to obtain valuable comments, recommendations and resources.

<u>Objective 5</u>: Accommodate the special needs of the elderly and disabled to provide facilities with a variety of available activities

#### **Policies & Programs**

1. Park facilities and school facilities should be shared by both entities to be mutually beneficial to both when appropriate and feasible. This is most likely to occur through a cooperative relationship and through good communication between the Recreation Department and School District.

### Goal 5: A City Park System developed, improved and operated in a cost effective manner.

<u>Objective 1</u>: Make use of this plan following the recommendations established for facility planning.

<u>Objective 2</u>: Make use of, to the extent possible, state and federal resources and grant programs to offset local expenditures to develop and maintain needed and quality facilities.

<u>Objective 3</u>: Make use of, where practical, a multi-jurisdictional approach to acquiring and developing park and open space areas.

<u>Objective 4</u>: Make use of, to the extent possible, local private resources such as friends groups, organizations and individuals willing to donate time, labor, money, land and other resources to develop and maintain needed and quality facilities.

<u>Objective 5</u>: Coordinate and utilize the resources and expertise of County officials, particularly where projects meet mutual goals and objectives. <u>Objective 6</u>: Maintain a park and open space system that is sustainable with respect to annual maintenance and operations costs and servicing capacities of the community.

<u>Objectives 7</u>: Invest funds for the development of facilities that will maximize existing park and recreation areas and provide recreational programs, with the intention of increasing park use.

#### **Policies & Programs**

1. Maintain a capital improvements plan to replace worn or damaged recreational equipment and facilities. Use this plan as a guide to establishing future capital improvement plans and annual budgets.

## Chapter 6:

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 Existing Park Facilities 6.2 ADA Recommendations
- **6.3 New Park Facilities**
- **6.4 Recreational Trails**
- **6.5 Other Recommendations**

The quantitative, qualitative, and geographic analysis discussed in Chapter 4 reveals the need for improvements to existing facilities, as well as, the acquisition and development of new sites for future recreational use. It should be noted that some of the recommendations in this chapter may require considerable cooperation with others, including the citizens of Waupun, local civic and business associations, neighboring municipalities, Dodge and Fond du Lac Counties, and State agencies. In nearly every case, more detailed planning, engineering, study, budgeting, and/or discussion will be necessary before decisions are made to actually acquire land or construct recreational facilities. Where identified, acquisition projects will be implemented through donation, dedication, purchase, or a combination thereof.

The recommendations of this plan are divided into five major sections: (1) recommendations for existing park facilities; (2) ADA recommendations; (3) recommendations for new park facilities; (4) recommendations for recreational trails; and (5) other miscellaneous recommendations.

The timeline for completion of the following recommendations is within the next five years, or the life of this plan. Due to budgetary constraints it is unlikely that all of the recommendations within this chapter will be implemented in the next five years. Maintenance and improvement projects to existing parks will be prioritized on an annual basis by the Public Works & Facilities Board in conjunction with the City Council as part of the City's annual budget. Many of the recommendations regarding locating new park facilities will be coordinated with the annexation or approval of development proposals; therefore, the timing is much more variable.

While adding new park facilities is important to enhancing the City's park system, the City is committed to maintaining existing parks in satisfactory condition and providing sufficient funding for operations. Such maintenance and operations include providing sufficient budget for the following:

» Maintaining and replacing existing facilities and equipment, as needed,

» Maintaining the landscape at existing parks in good condition,

» Providing sufficient resources in support of recreational programs, and

» Maintaining a safe and accessible environment at all City parks.

As new lands are added to the park system, the City will need to budget additional funds for maintenance and operations to maintain the same level of service and quality facilities.

#### 6.1 EXISTING PARK FACILITIES

The following is a bullet list of recommendations for improvements to existing parks. Some of the recommendations identified within this section are remnants from the 2017 CORP. These recommendations have been highlighted (\*) where they occur.

#### **MINI PARKS**

Heritage Park

- Add a couple of picnic tables\*
- Make repairs to windmill
- Add more trees
- Repair or replace flag pole

#### **Richard Holmes Park**

- Weed control across the river\*
- · Add additional benches/tables\*
- Possible canoe/kayak entry point (alternative to a facility at Shaler Memorial Park)\*

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD PLAYGROUNDS**

#### **Buwalda Park**

- Add restrooms (or at least a portable restroom)\*
- Replace playground equipment\*
- Add more tables/benches\*
- Reduce shelter light intensity, or fix orientation, to reduce light trespass to adjacent residential properties and to direct lighting to the playground area\*

#### **Pine Street Park**

- Add permanent restrooms\*
- Move shed closer to shelter\*
- Possible canoe/kayak entry point (alternative to a facility at Shaler Memorial Park)\*
- Add more trees
- Replace old bridge with new wider bridge to stop flooding washouts of path
- Area across river: add nature trails/paths, wild flowers, and clean up old trees

#### **Tanner Park**

- Add shade trees (~4 trees)\*
- Any improvements to enhance the sledding hill\*
- Add band shelter (work with Festival Committee)
- Resurface parking lot

#### **Zoellner Park**

- Replace missing step on playground\*
- Repaint bathroom door\*
- Add flower/butterfly garden\*
- Replace playground equipment\*

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS**

#### **Dodge Park**

- Add additional playground equipment\*
- Add flowers to front sign\*
- Replace swing set
- Add concrete gaming tables
- Remove old tennis court
- Add gaga ball pits
- Add outdoor gaming area (bag toss or other games)

#### **Harris Mill Park**

- Work with cemetery association to install additional fishing pier on other side of park, or at Shaler Memorial Park, or on west end of park\*
- Add a canoe/kayak launch\*
- Add bark/weed barrier in flower beds\*
- Add canoe/kayak portage around dam with signage/map for the Rock River Water Trail (alternative to portage at Shaler Memorial Park)\*
- Upgrade flower garden
- Replace roof on gazebo

#### Johnson's West End Park

- Remove backstop and fencing (when/if it becomes dilapidated or a hazard)\*
- Add more trees
- Work with WFA to see if improvements are needed to hold concerts in park; consider building a band shell
- Add other gaming features
- · Repair horse shoe pits

#### Wilcox Park

• Update shelter - replace (materials

only)\*

- Replace older playground equipment\*
- Decide whether to improve or remove baseball backstop/diamond\*
- Add angled off-street parking stalls\*
- Fix planter box or remove and have cement slab with signage\*
- Add two benches by play area and one by swing area\*
- Clean the memorial stone\*
- Replace sand in horseshoe pits (or remove if new horseshoe pits are installed in McCune Park)\*
- Add more trees

#### **COMMUNITY PLAYFIELDS**

#### **Medema Ball Diamonds**

- Parking Area on Rens Way\*
- Add lights to Diamond #3\*
- Replace concession stand\*
- More bleachers at Diamond #3\*
- · Add fenced in bull pens to all 3 fields
- · Explore new field lighting options
- Look into changing old chain-link back stop to a new net system
- Add a taller fence to Diamond #2 along 3rd base side to replace old net that protects playground area
- Add another permanent bathroom near batting cage area
- Add infield mix to Diamond #3

#### Schlieve Field

- Replace/install matting in batting cage\*
- Per FDL County Inspection there appears to be some needs in the concession stand\*
- · Resurface & paint parking lot

#### E. Spring Street Diamond C

Add shade trees (~5 trees)\*

 Consider removal of diamond as part of potential improvements to the Community Center\*

#### Waupun Baseball Complex

- Add shade area or roof-type shelter
- Replace turf as needed

#### **COMMUNITY PARKS**

#### **McCune Park**

- As part of the update of this plan the City developed a park master plan for this park, refer to Appendix D. The park master plan illustrates numerous potential improvement projects. The overall theme behind these improvements is to:
  - Diversity the types of recreational facilities offered at the park to enhance use of the park by all ages\*
  - New recreational facilities include a unique

natural based playground ("dream park"), pickleball courts, fitness stations, and other unique facilities to Waupun (e.g. shuffle board courts, horseshoe pits, etc.)\*

- Maintain the existing softball diamond, basketball court, volleyball courts, and shelter\*
- Rehabilitate the former beach area as a naturalized pond with boardwalk and sculptural feature\*
- Install low growing prairie and butterfly gardens with habitat housing for birds, butterflies, bees and bats\*
- Add walking trails throughout the park and to adjacent residential neighborhoods\*
- Replace the existing bathhouse with a new open air shelter equipped with restrooms\*

These improvements offer facilities generally not found in other City parks and can



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reinvigorate McCune Park as a family oriented park desired for everyday use and weekend family reunions.

#### NATURE PRESERVE

#### **Meadow View Heights Park**

- Add restrooms (or at least a portable restroom at the parking lot)\*
- Possible canoe/kayak entry point (alternative to a facility at Waupun County Park)\*
- Consider purchase of Spergers Bona Vista Farms property to expand park\*
- Expand parking lot\*
- Add more trees
- Add bench near walk path
- Replace bad boards on boardwalk
- Trim trees along boardwalk for better visibility

#### **SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKS**

#### **Shaler Memorial Park**

- Install fishing pier for better access to water's edge for fishing\*
- Possible canoe/kayak entry point (alternative to a facility at Richard Holmes/Rock River Intermediate School)\*
- · Add a kayak rental cabinet

#### **Waupun Family Aquatic Center**

- Add picnic areas\*
- Add climbing wall\*
- Paint pool
- Add snow guard
- Add more trees
- Seal & paint parking lot
- Replace old shade with new 3-umbrella system

#### UNDEVELOPED PARKS

#### **Oak Lane Park**

- Create a master plan for the park with consideration to floodplain issues. Potential improvements:
  - ADA accessible walk path\*

- Shrubs, flowers, trees\*
- Benches and tables\*
- Fountain\*
- Add open air shelter\*
- Add backstop\*
- Add soccer goals\*
- Add playground equipment\*
- Add basketball court\*
- Install park sign\*
- Benches near retention pond

#### 6.2 ADA RECOMMENDATIONS

The City has completed an ADA Facilities Assessment and Transition Plan. In 2012 new ADA standards became effective which required municipalities with over 50 employees to identify physical obstacles that limit accessibility of facilities to those with disabilities, provide a schedule for making these modifications, and appoint officials responsible to implement the Transition Plan. The following accessibility improvements are planned for the parks:

#### **MINI PARKS**

#### **Heritage Park**

• none

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD PLAYGROUNDS**

#### **Buwalda Park**

 Consider priority needs for playground accessibility\*

#### **Pine Street Park**

 Consider priority needs for playground accessibility\*

#### **Tanner Park**

 Consider priority and needs for playground accessibility\*

#### **Zoellner Park**

 Consider priority needs for playground accessibility\*

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS**

#### **Dodge Park**

none

#### **Harris Mill Park**

none

#### Johnson's West End Park

none

#### Wilcox Park

none

#### COMMUNITY PLAYFIELDS

#### **Medema Ball Diamonds**

• none

#### **Schlieve Field**

- Add further accessible routes to park amenities\*
- Provide accessible picnic table at main shelter\*
- Provide at least one accessible counter at the concession stand\*
- Remodel restroom to eliminate barriers\*
- Replace drinking fountain with high-low units\*
- Add assistive listening systems and signage if there is an audio system used\*

#### Waupun Baseball Complex

- Remove barrier at entrance door of easterly building single occupant men's and women's restroom or add signage to direct users to other accessible stalls in the park\*
- Add high unit to easterly building drinking fountain\*
- Add high unit to westerly building drinking fountain\*
- Add assistive listening systems and signage if there is an audio system used\*
- Consider priority needs for playground accessibility\*

Add Miracle Field for accessibility

#### **COMMUNITY PARKS**

#### **McCune Park**

- Add further accessible routes to park amenities\*
- Provide at least one exterior and one at the interior concession service counter\*
- Remodel restrooms for accessibility\*
- Replace drinking fountain with high-low units\*
- Add assistive listening systems and signage if there is an audio system used\*

#### NATURE PRESERVE

#### **Meadow View Heights Park**

none

#### SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKS

#### **Shaler Memorial Park**

- Add accessible route to memorial\*
- Provide accessible route through memorial\*

#### Waupun Family Aquatic Center

• none

#### UNDEVELOPED PARKS

#### **Oak Lane Park**

- Add stall and signage for accessible on-street parking\*
- Add accessible curb ramp\*

#### TRAILS

#### **Rock River Trail**

none

#### 6.3 NEW PARK FACILITIES

The City should develop new park and recreational facilities in areas that are under served by existing

facilities, where future City expansion is expected to occur, or where the acquisition of park and open space will advance the goals and policies of this plan or the City's Comprehensive Plan.

The Proposed Parks and Trails Map in Appendix C identifies the general location for potential new or expanded park facilities, based in-part on Waupun's future land use plan (see Section 2.6). These are generalized locations used for planning purposes only. Some of the recommendations identified within this section are remnants from the 2017 CORP. These recommendations have been highlighted (\*) where they occur.

- Site A is in the area south of W. Brown and north of WIS 68 and west of West Street. This area is approximately 3.4 acres and is presently owned by the City of Waupun/Utilities. This land should be developed as a neighborhood park which contains a playground, benches, backstop, and landscaping.\*
- **Site B** is located at 903 North Madison Street, north of the City Garage. The site is approximately 42.9 acres. The City should research the possibilities of developing recreation facilities on the former landfill site (e.g. disc golf) and use the old landfill for sledding/tobogganing to enhance winter activities.\*
- Site C is approximately 70.4 acres and is located on City-owned land between WIS 151 and County I, south of the DOC. The City should develop a stormwater detention pond here, as this land was put into the North American Wetland Conservation Act (NAWCA).\* The purpose of NAWCA is to protect, restore and enhance wetland habitats for birds. Areas should also be developed to be used for hiking, observation, cross country skiing and walking.\* The City should also consider connecting this site via a recreation trail to the Wild Goose Trail along Libby Creek and to the Shaler Drive via an under pass of US 151 at Buwalda Drive.
- Site D refers to two vacant lots located near 417 E. Main Street. A site plan was developed to transform these lots into downtown plazas/ mini parks; this site plan is included in Appendix E. Proposed site amenities include: a small stage/amphitheater, site furnishings (tables,

benches), lighting, a restroom, food truck parking for community events, restrooms, decorative water features, and ornamental planting.

- Site E is an approximately 321.7-acre area of undeveloped lands, north of City limits, east of the railroad, west of CTH M and south of Whooley Road. This area is identified as future Low-Density Residential development in the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Map 8-3). As annexations and development occur in this area it will be important to build additional parks to serve future residential developments in this area and to connect via new trails future neighborhoods to existing parks and trails. Chapter 17.07(8) of the City's Municipal Code requires a minimum of 5% of any proposed plat be dedicated to the City for recreational purposes. Therefore, at least 16 acres of this planned residential area should be set aside for future park space. This may take the form of one large community park or several neighborhood parks. Priority should be given to preserve some of the woodland areas for passive recreational trails as well as dedication of other lands for traditional park facilities (e.g. playgrounds, shelters, tennis courts, ball diamonds, basketball courts, and general purpose field space). Parks and homes in this area should be connected to the existing Rock River Trail network via the dedication and construction of a new recreational trail along the east side of the railroad from Edgewood Drive/Atlas Drive.
- **Site F** is 84.1 acres, comprised of undeveloped lands north of City limits, east of Savage Road and west of the railroad. This area is identified as future Mixed-Use (PUD) development in the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Map 8-3). As annexations and development occur in this area it will be important to build additional parks to serve future residential developments in this area and to connect via new trails future neighborhoods to existing parks and trails. Chapter 17.07(8) of the City's Municipal Code requires a minimum of 5% of any proposed plat be dedicated to the City for recreational purposes. Therefore, at least 4.2 acres of this planned residential area should be set aside for future park space. This will likely take the form of one neighborhood park. Priority should be given to centrally locating

this park within the planned neighborhood. Traditional park facilities should be constructed (e.g. playgrounds, shelters, tennis courts, and basketball courts, and general purpose field space). Given the size of the park space needed, a ball diamond may not be feasible at this location but a backstop could be constructed for informal play. Parks and homes in this area should be connected to the existing Rock River Trail network via the dedication and construction of a new recreational trail along the west side of the railroad from Edgewood Drive/Winter Ave.

- **Site G** is an approximately 56.8-acre area of undeveloped lands within existing City limits, west of Savage Road, east of Waupun County Park and south of CTH MMM. This area is identified as future Low-Density Residential development in the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Map 8-3). As development occurs in this area it will be important to build additional parks to serve future residential developments in this area and to connect via new trails future neighborhoods to existing parks and trails. Chapter 17.07(8) of the City's Municipal Code requires a minimum of 5% of any proposed plat be dedicated to the City for recreational purposes. Therefore, at least 2.8 acres of this planned residential area should be set aside for future park space. This will likely take the form of one neighborhood park. Priority should be given to centrally locating this park within the planned neighborhood, or alternatively adjacent to Waupun County Park. Traditional park facilities should be constructed (e.g. playgrounds, shelters, tennis courts, and basketball courts, and general purpose field space). Given the size of the park space needed, a ball diamond may not be feasible at this location but a backstop could be constructed for informal play. Parks and homes in this area should be connected to the existing Rock River Trail network via the dedication and construction of a new north-south recreational trail connecting to Pine Street via Beske Street.
- Site H is an approximately 480.1-acre area of undeveloped lands located north of City limits, east of Town Alto/Waupun line, west of Savage Road and south of Whooley Road. This area is identified as future Low-Density Residential development in the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Map 8-3). As annexations

and development occur in this area it will be important to build additional parks to serve future residential developments in this area and to connect via new trails future neighborhoods to existing parks and trails. Chapter 17.07(8) of the City's Municipal Code requires a minimum of 5% of any proposed plat be dedicated to the City for recreational purposes. Therefore, at least 24 acres of this planned residential area should be set aside for future park space. This may take the form of one large community park or several neighborhood parks. Priority should be given to preserve some of the woodland areas for passive recreational trails as well as dedication of other lands for traditional park facilities (e.g. playgrounds, shelters, tennis courts, ball diamonds, basketball courts, and general purpose field space). Parks and homes in this area should be connected to the existing Rock River Trail network via the dedication and construction of a new recreational trail along the north-south stream corridor running through this area into Waupun County Park and their existing trail network.

Site I is an approximately 37-acre area of undeveloped lands east of N. Madison Street, south of the Dog Park and north of Neevel Ave. This area is identified as future Low-Density Residential development in the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Map 8-3). As development occurs in this area it will be important to build additional parks to serve future residential developments in this area and to connect via new trails future neighborhoods to existing parks and trails. Chapter 17.07(8) of the City's Municipal Code requires a minimum of 5% of any proposed plat be dedicated to the City for recreational purposes. Therefore, at least 1.9 acres of this planned residential area should be set aside for future park space. This will likely take the form of one neighborhood park. Priority should be given to preserving the wooded areas of this site for passive recreational trails that would connect Schlieve Park to the Dog Park. A small playground could be constructed as part of the park. Parks and homes in this area should be connected to the existing Rock River Trail network via the dedication and construction of a new north-south recreational trail connecting to E. Spring Street via Home Ave. As an alternative, the City could also look to purchase the 15.2 acres of woodland in this area for construction

of a mountain biking course through the woodlands as a way to add diversity to the types of recreational facilities available in the community and as a way to attract mountain bike enthusiasts to the City.

- Site J is an approximately 29.3-acre that is an existing quarry south and west of Gateway Drive. This area is identified as future Mixed-Use (PUD) in the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Map 8-3). Future reclamation of the quarry could provide opportunities for unique park and recreational facilities which take advantage of the terrain of the site. The site could also serve as an addition to McCune Park.
- Site K is the proposed location for the City's new Community and Senior Center. A facility audit of the existing building recommended construction of a new structure as opposed to renovation. As of 2023, the City is likely to receive nearly \$5 million in state grant money to help develop the new center, which is anticipated to be fully operational by the end of 2024.
- Site L is a general location for a new neighborhood park to serve city residents in the southeastern portion of the City. Further investigation of a viable parcel of land is need before site design can begin.

As new park lands are dedicated to the City individual park master plans should be developed in order to guide the installation of park facilities. All individual park master plans of the City should be adopted as appendices to this plan in order to maintain eligibility for state and federal park and recreational grants.

#### **6.4 RECREATIONAL TRAILS**

The City should develop a long-term bicycle and pedestrian transportation plan to help identify routes and facilities for multi-modal transportation options. This plan should consider extensions of the proposed system to future park locales within the planning area. Specific recommendations for the plan include:

- Extend trail along County Park Road from Oriole Street to West Main Street.
- Add directional signage to and from the Wild Goose and Rock River Trails with direction markings and mileage at the following intersections: WIS 49/WGT; CTH I/Peachy Road; CTH I/Milligan Road; WIS 26/Milligan Road; WIS 26/Buwalda Drive; and Buwalda Drive/Shaler Drive.
- Develop bicycle paths on street with a focus on linking schools and parks as part of a loop through existing and planned residential neighborhoods (refer to Proposed Parks and Trails Map). Mark the route with appropriate



signage and trail markers.

- Stripe on-road bike lanes on Gateway Drive and Shaler Drive from WIS 26 to E. Lincoln Street.
- Develop a bike/walk trail either over or under US 151 to connect to the Wild Goose State Trail south of the City of Waupun. Acquire rightof-ways or easements where necessary or appropriate.\*
- Develop a bike/walk path from Waupun to Beaver Dam on the US 151 corridor. Acquire right-of-ways or easements where necessary or appropriate.\*

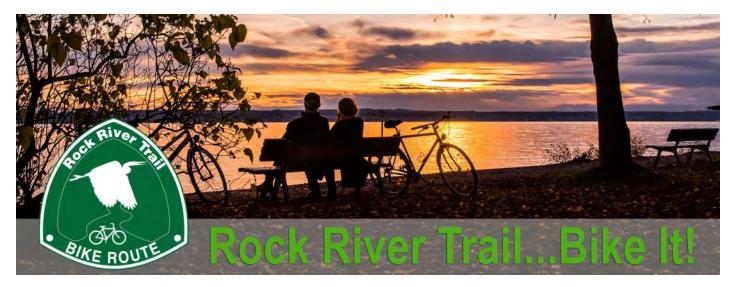
Other trail improvements include:

- Develop a series of canoe/kayak launches and dam portage sites to facilitate canoeing in the City.\* This plan recommends a western entry point at Waupun County Park and an eastern entry point at Richard Holmes Park/Rock River Intermediate School with a portage at Shaler Memorial Park. Alternative sites are discussed in the plan. Entry points should include ADA launches and signage/map of the Rock River Water Trail.
- Provide information regarding bicycle and water routes and trails via kiosks at strategic locations within the City, pamphlets and on the City website.\*
- Cooperate with new businesses in the Business Park to enhance or develop pedestrian bike/ walk trails.\*

#### 6.5 OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Other non-specific locational recommendations include:

- Revise the City's parkland dedication and fees in lieu of land dedication requirements for consistency with the policies of this plan (refer to Chapter 7).
- Develop a Safe Routes to School Plan.\*
- Develop an online Waupun Parks and Trails Story Map to market area park and recreation amenities.
- Consider commissioning additional sculptures for existing or future park sites to reinforce the City's brand "City of Sculpture".
- The City of Waupun and the Waupun Area Chamber of Commerce/Waupun Area Recreation Project are working with the Rock River Country Club to develop cross country ski trails. These two groups are also looking into developing a community building to hold concessions, rentals (canoe/kayak/bike/cc skis) and meeting rooms.
- Work with Fond du Lac County to develop a formal ADA canoe/kayak launch at Waupun County Park with signage/map for the Rock River Water Trail.
- Other facilities to add include (sites undetermined at this time):
  - Sledding Hills\* (possible site at old



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landfill)

- Bike, hike and ski paths\*
- Natural areas and preserves\*
- Shore fishing sites\*
- Snowmobile trails\*
- Picnic areas\*
- Geocaching sites\*
- Work with the School District to lease Veterans Memorial Field for use as a new soccer facility/ complex. Develop a concept plan for the layout of soccer fields, seating areas, concessions areas, parking areas, sidewalks/paths, vehicular parking, landscaping, removal of any existing facilities, etc. If a lease cannot be worked out then complete a site selection study to identify alternative locations for the soccer complex including land acquisition and construction cost estimates. Develop concept plans for preferred site(s). In either case concept plans should include feedback from stakeholder users groups and guided by the Recreation Board.
- Complete a feasibility study for a new indoor recreation/community center. Study should include analysis of space needs, site selection (possibly replace existing community center), cost estimates, etc. Possible features to include:
  - Gym
  - Indoor Pool
  - Fitness rooms
  - General purpose rooms
  - Relocate senior center facilities
- Consider applying to become a Bird City. A Bird City is a community whose government educates its citizens about birds while implementing sound conservation practices. Bird City Wisconsin provides highly-visible public recognition to these communities, and guidance on future actions, to make Bird Cities better habitat for birds and people:



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## Chapter 7: IMPLEMENTATION

7.1 Tools and Mechanisms to Fund Implementation 7.2 Plan Adoption and Amendments

This chapter summaries tools and mechanisms that the City can use to fund implementation of the park and open space recommendations discussed in Chapter 6 as well as plan adoption and amendment procedures.

## 7.1 TOOLS AND MECHANISMS TO FUND IMPLEMENTATION

Maintenance and operational expenses of the City's Parks and Recreation Department are generally funded through property taxes and user fees. As the park system grows the need to increase funding to meet the basic maintenance and operational costs also grows. Often there are insufficient funds to undertake major capital improvement projects. There are a wide variety of potential funding sources to assist with up-front capital costs, including acquisition of land and the development of new recreational facilities.

#### Table 7.1 Park and Recreation Grant Funding Programs

			Granting
Funding Programs By Category	Maximum Award	Application Due Date	Agency
Land and Water Conservation Fund (LAWCON)			
• This fund is used to implement projects that are identified by both the local and the	50% local match required	1-May	DNR
state Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.			
<ul> <li>In general, land acquisition, development, and renovation projects for public outdoor recreation purposes are eligible LWCF projects. LWCF does not include the</li> </ul>			
"nature-based outdoor recreation" restriction that the Stewardship Local Assistance			
Programs do.			
Recreational Trails Program Grant			
Eligible projects include: maintenance and restoration of existing trails,			
development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages,			DND
construction of new trails, and acquisition of easement or property for trails.	Up to 80% of the total project costs of a recreational trail project (20% match	1-May	DNR
	required). Payments are		
• 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 reference in a statewide	reimbursements on costs incurred after		
comprehensive outdoor recreation plan required by the federal LAWCON.	project approval.		
Urban Forestry			
Provides technical service and financial assistance to communities for developing urban forestry programs. Priorities include:	50% local match required.	1-Oct	DNR
<ol> <li>Communities needing to develop an urban forestry plan;</li> </ol>			
	Grants range from \$1,000 to \$25,000.		
2) Communities needing worker training; and			
3) Communities needing to conduct a street tree inventory.			
Eligible projects include 1) Undertaking street tree inventories; 2) Training for Village			
tree workers; 3) Developing urban open space programs; 4) Developing urban forestry plans; 5) Developing a tree ordinance; 6) Developing a public awareness			
program; and, 7) Tree planting and maintenance			
Lake Protection and Classification Grants			
Designed to assist lake users, lake communities and local governments as they			
undertake projects to protect and restore lakes and their ecosystems. Eligible	25% local match required.	1-May	DNR
projects include:			
<ul> <li>Purchase of property or a conservation easement</li> </ul>	\$200,000 maximum per project.		
Restoration of wetlands			
<ul> <li>Development of local regulations or ordinances</li> </ul>			
• Lake classification projects that allow counties to design and implement local land			
and water management programs that are tailored to specific classes of lakes in			
response to various development and recreational use pressures (these grants are			
limited to \$50,000).			
Lake protection projects recommended in a DNR-approved plan including			
watershed management, lake restoration, diagnostic feasibility studies, or any other projects that will protect or improve lakes.			
Recreational Boating Facilities Grant			
Construction of capital improvements to provide safe recreational boating facilities			
and for feasibility studies related to the development of safe recreational facilities.	50% local match required	Established quarterly	DNR
		quarter,	
• Also includes purchase of navigation aids, dredging of channels of waterways, and			
chemically treating Eurasian water milfoil.			
Sport Fish Restoration Funding			
• Sport Fish Restoration - Fishing Pier (SFR-FP) grants may be used to construct			
fishing piers that are primarily designed to provide public access for shore fishing.	25%-50% local match required	1-Oct	DNR
Short Eich Restoration - Roat Access (SEP DA) grants may be used to construct			
<ul> <li>Sport Fish Restoration - Boat Access (SFR-BA) grants may be used to construct motorboat access projects. Eligible components include boat ramp construction and</li> </ul>			
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renovation, along with related amenities such as parking lots, accessible paths.			
renovation, along with related amenities such as parking lots, accessible paths, lighting, and restroom facilities.			

Table 7.1 Park and Recreation Grant Funding Programs

Funding Programs By Category	Maximum Award	Application Due Date	Granting Agency
Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program			
The Stewardship Program was established in 1989 to preserve Wisconsin's most significant land and water resources for future generations and to provide the land base and recreational facilities needed for quality outdoor experiences. These goals are achieved by acquiring land and easements for conservation and recreation purposes, developing and improving recreational facilities, and restoring wildlife habitat. This is an umbrella program that funds the following grants:	50% local match required	1-May	DNR
Aids for the Acquisition and Development of Local Parks (ADLP)			
<ul> <li>Helps to buy land or easements and develop or renovate local park and recreati access, and park support facilities).</li> </ul>	ion area facilities for nature-based out	door recreation purposed (e.g., tra	ails, fishing
Urban Green Space (UGS)			
<ul> <li>Helps to buy land or easements in urban or urbanizing area to preserve the scen including non-commercial gardening.</li> </ul>	nic and ecological values of natural op	en spaces for nature-based outdoo	r recreation,
Urban Rivers (UR)			
<ul> <li>Helps to buy land on or adjacent to river flowing through urban or urbanizing an nature-based outdoor recreation.</li> </ul>	reas to preserve or restore the scenic	and environmental values of riverw	vays for
Acquisition of Development Rights Grants (ADR)			
Helps to buy development rights (easements) for the protection of natural, agric	cultural, or forestry values, that would	enhance nature-based outdoor re	creation.

#### **GRANT PROGRAMS**

An important source of funding is grant programs offered by state and federal agencies, especially the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Table 7.1 provides a summary of common state and federal park and recreation grant programs. The table is not an exhaustive list of grant programs, rather those that are typically used by municipalities. Other grant programs may exist and information regarding funding details shown in Table 7.1 should be verified with grant providers prior to seeking grant funding.

## COMMUNITY FUND-RAISING & VOLUNTEER GROUPS

Community groups and civic organizations are sometimes willing to organize fundraising efforts to assist with these costs, and they may also be able to marshal volunteer labor to assist with small development projects such as trail creation or playground installations. Local business and corporate support should also be sought. Both non-profit and for-profit organizations can be rewarded for their support with acknowledgement on a plaque or sign at the site.

#### 501(C)3 FOUNDATION

The City can set up an endowment fund as an additional means of providing continual financial support for park acquisition and development. An

endowment fund works like a permanent savings account. The amount individuals give, which is the principal, is never spent. Only the interest income is spent, thereby providing a continual source of monies. A park endowment fund can provide a means for residents to either bequeath money or provide ongoing donations to the City's park system, with the certainty that the money donated will only be used for the advancement of recreation in the community. Gifts to an endowment fund are typically tax deductible under federal and state law.

#### TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF)

As part of a broader plan to redevelop an area, the City can use tax increment financing to assist with parkland or trail acquisition and development. There are some limitations to what revenues from a TIF district can be used to pay for, generally the costs of constructing public buildings can not be funded with TIF.

The City currently has five active TIF Districts, TID #1, 3, 4, 5, and 6. The TIDs were created for the purpose of stimulating redevelopment and new public and private investments.

Tax increment could be used for land acquisition, trail and site development, but could not be used for construction of park shelters or play equipment. Under state statute 66.1105 a municipality can use tax increment to complete public improvements within a 0.5-mile radius of the TID, so long as the use of the funds supports and benefits the TID. This is generally useful for assisting in the costs to construct recreational trails.

### PARKLAND DEDICATION, FEES IN LIEU, AND IMPACT FEES

The City's Municipal Code includes regulations regarding parkland dedication requirements. Within the corporate limits of the City subdividers are required to dedicate sufficient land to provide park, recreation, and general open space to meet the anticipated neighborhood needs of residential and development areas, as such park development is determined necessary or desirable by this plan.

#### **Parkland Dedication Requirement**

The City currently requires 5% of the total land area to be subdivided to be dedicated for parkland. A sample area (pictured below) was used to verify whether this requirement meets the City's stated policy to maintain a minimum of 10.5 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents (refer to Chapter 5). The area pictured below is a traditional singlefamily block of approximately 7.9 acres and containing 30 homes. Under the existing parkland dedication requirement a 0.4 acre park would be required to serve this block. Using the average household size of 2.38 persons, this block would have 71.4 persons. This therefore equates to 0.0056 acres of parkland per person which is 5.6 acres per 1,000 people, well below the City's stated policy.

Using another hypothetical example, a 40 acre single-family subdivision would require 2 acres of parkland. A typical single-family subdivision may have approximately 30% of the site acreage dedicated for roadways and stormwater management. This leaves 26 acres for development. Assuming an average lot size of



<sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> acre would yield 104 single family lots. Using the average persons per household of 2.38 would result in 248 people. This translates to one acre of parkland per 127 people, or a ratio of 0.0079 acres per resident (7.9 acres per 1,000 people). This is below the minimum City policy.

#### **Fees in Lieu**

If parkland dedication is not possible, at the sole discretion of the Plan Commission a subdivider may satisfy the requirement for provisions of such park, recreation and general open space by payment of a fee in lieu of land. These fees are collected and used for purchase, development, improvement and maintenance of parks, playgrounds, open spaces and other recreational sites and facilities. Payments are required at the time the plat is submitted for final approval. The schedule for fees in lieu of dedication is as follows:

» \$200 per single-family residential lot

»\$200 per multi-family unit

#### **Impact Fees**

Waupun does not currently charge park impact fees. Impact fees are a one-time fee that is assessed and paid as a special charge for park development.

#### **COMPARABLE COMMUNITIES**

The land dedication requirement in Waupun is the same as in Beaver Dam and Portage, though Portage could instead require 1 acre for 25 proposed dwelling units if that requires a larger dedication than 5% of the land proposed to be subdivided. Fond du Lac requires 1 acre per 35 dwelling units.

Using 2020 census figures and total park acreages for each community, Beaver Dam, Fond du Lac, and Portage all have higher acreage per 1,000 rates than Waupun. Beaver Dam has the highest rate, with 17.2 acreage of parkland per 1,000 residents.

The cities of Beaver Dam, Fond du Lac, and Portage also require higher fees in lieu of land dedication then Waupun. Based on this analysis the City may want to consider revising it's parkland dedication and fees in lieu of land dedication requirements.

Table 7.2 Parkland Dedication and Impact Fee Comparison

	City of Waupun	City of Beaver Dam	City of Fond du Lac	City of Portage
Park Impact Fees	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Land Dedication Requirements	5% of the total land area to be subdivided	5% of the total land area to be subdivided	1 acre per 35 dwelling units	1 acre for each 25 proposed dwelling units or 5% of the land area being subdivided, whichever is greater
Fees in Lieu of Land Dedication	lot • \$200 per multi-family unit	<ul> <li>R-1 single family lot: \$250 per lot</li> <li>R-2 two-family lot: \$250 per dwelling unit</li> <li>Multifamily - 3 or more bedrooms: \$250 per dwelling unit</li> <li>Multifamily - 2 bedrooms: \$200 per dwelling unit</li> <li>Multifamily - 1 bedroom or efficiency: \$100 per dwelling unit</li> </ul>		Based on the parkland dedication and park improvement value that would have been completed.
Total Number of Parks	20	22	26	22
Total Park Acreage	84	288	722	110
Acres per 1,000 Residents	9.8	17.2	16.2	10.4
2020 Census Populaton	11,344	16,708	44,678	10,581

## 7.2 PLAN ADOPTION & AMENDMENTS

This plan will be adopted as a compliment to the Waupun Comprehensive Plan. The procedures for adopting this plan, and future amendments, should follow the procedures highlighted below:

#### **Board of Public Works & Facilities (BPWF)**

Waupun's Board of Public Works & Facilities should meet to review the plan and pass a motion to recommend approval of the plan or plan amendment by the City Council.

#### **Plan Commission Recommendation**

Waupun's Plan Commission can meet to review the plan and pass a motion to recommend approval of the plan or plan amendment; this is optional.

#### **Public Hearing**

Prior to adopting this plan, or plan amendment, Waupun can hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed plan or plan amendment, but it is not required to by the DNR. If a public hearing is held, at least 30 days prior to the hearing a Class 1 notice must be published.

The notice should also provide a method for submitting written comments, and those comments should be read or summarized at the public hearing. The public hearing may be held by either the Plan Commission or City Council.

#### Plan Adoption

The plan and any future amendments become official City policy when City Council pass, by a majority vote of all elected members, an adoption ordinance. The City Council may choose to revise the plan after it has been recommended by the BPWF and Plan Commission, and after any optional public hearing.

#### Plan Amendment vs. Plan Update

Amendments can be made at any time, but the City should not amend the plan more than once per year. A common recommended approach is to establish a consistent annual schedule for consideration of minor plan amendments as needed.

This plan should be updated every five years in order to maintain eligibility for Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Stewardship Funding. Unlike an amendment, a plan update should revisit the entirety of the plan content and include more robust opportunities for public participation.

#### 7.3 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING

The recommendations for each existing park, as seen in Chapter 6, are organized in the following table to help with capital improvement planning over the next five years. A cost estimate range and priority level (ideal time frame to be completed) has been assigned to each recommendation. The priority Levels are as follows:

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- High-Priority: 1-2 years (2023-2025) Medium-Priority: 3-5 years (2026-2028) •
- Low-priority: 6+ years (beyond 2029) •

The cost estimate ranges are as follows:

- \$= <\$5,000 •
- \$\$= \$5,000 - \$10,000
- \$\$\$= \$10,000 \$50,000 •
- \$\$\$= >\$50,0000 •
- Maint..= General Maintenance (assumed • to be <\$2,000)

Mini Parks	Priority	Cost Estimate
Heritage Park		
Add a couple of aluminum picnic tables (2-3)	Medium	\$
Make repairs to windmill	High	\$
Add more trees	Medium	Maint.
Repair or replace flag pole	Medium	\$\$
Richard Holmes Park		
Weed control across the river	Low	Maint.
Add additional benches/tables	Low	\$
Possible canoe/kayak entry point (alternative to a facility at Shaler Memorial		
Park)	Low	\$\$\$
Neighborhood Playgrounds		
Buwalda Park		
Add restrooms (or at least a portable restroom)	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Replace playground equipment	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Add more aluminum tables/benches (2-3)	High	\$
Reduce shelter light intensity, or fix orientation, to reduce light trespass to		
adjacent residential properties and to direct lighting to the playground area	High	Maint.
Consider priority needs for playground accessibility	Medium	TBD
Pine Street Park		
Add permanent restrooms	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Move shed closer to shelter	High	Maint.
Possible canoe/kayak entry point (alternative to a facility at Shaler Memorial		
Park)	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Add more trees	High	\$
Work with the DNR to replace old bridge with new wider bridge to stop flooding		
washouts of path	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Area across river: add nature trails/paths, wild flowers, and clean up old trees	High	Maint.
Consider priority needs for playground accessibility	Low	TBD
Tanner Park		
Add shade trees (~4 trees)	Low	\$
Any improvements to enhance the sledding hill	Low	\$

Add band shelter (work with Festival Committee)	Low	\$\$\$\$
Resurface parking lot	High	\$\$\$\$
Zoellner Park		
Replace missing step on playground	High	Maint.
Repaint bathroom door	High	Maint.
Add flower/butterfly garden	Low	\$
Replace playground equipment	High	\$\$\$\$
Consider priority needs for playground accessibility	Low	TBD
Neighborhood Parks		
Dodge Park		
Add additional playground equipment	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Add flowers to front sign	Medium	Maint.
Replace swing set	High	\$\$
Add concrete gaming tables	High	\$\$
Remove old tennis court	High	\$\$\$\$
Add gaga ball pits	High	\$
Add outdoor gaming area (bag toss or other games)	High	\$
Harris Mill Park		
Work with cemetery association to install additional fishing pier on other side of		
park, or at Shaler Memorial Park, or on west end of park	Low	\$\$\$\$
Add bark/weed barrier in flower beds	High	Maint.
Add canoe/kayak portage around dam with signage/map for the Rock River		
Water Trail (alternative to portage at Shaler Memorial Park)	Medium	\$\$
Upgrade flower garden	Low	Maint.
Replace roof on gazebo	High	\$\$\$\$
Repair rip rap along Mill Pond	High	\$\$\$
Johnson's West End Park		
Remove backstop and fencing (when/if it becomes dilapidated or a hazard)	Medium	Maint.
Add more trees	High	\$
Work with WFA to see if improvements are needed to hold concerts in park;		
consider building a band shell	Low	\$\$\$\$
Add other gaming features	Medium	\$
Repair horse shoe pits	Medium	S
Wilcox Park		
Update shelter - replace (materials only)	low	\$\$\$
Replace older playground equipment	High	\$\$\$\$
Decide whether to improve or remove baseball backstop/diamond	Low	\$\$\$
Add angled off-street parking stalls (3-5 stalls)	Medium	\$\$
Fix planter box or remove and have cement slab with signage	Medium	\$
Add two benches by play area and one by swing area	Medium	\$\$
Clean the memorial stone	High	Maint.

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Replace sand in horseshoe pits (or remove if new horseshoe pits are installed in		
McCune Park)	Low	Maint.
Add more trees	High	\$
Community Ballfield		
Medema Ball Diamonds		
Parking Area on Rens Way	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Add lights to Diamond #3	Low	\$\$\$S
Replace concession stand	Low	\$\$\$\$
More bleachers at Diamond #3	Medium	\$\$\$
Add fenced in bull pens to all 3 fields	Medium	\$\$\$
Explore new field lighting options	Low	\$\$\$\$
Look into changing old chain-link back stop to a new net system	Low	\$\$\$
Add a taller fence to Diamond #2 along 3rd base side to replace old net that		
protects playground area	Medium	\$\$\$
Add another permanent bathroom near batting cage area	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Add infield mix to Diamond #3	High	\$\$\$
Provide accessible picnic table at main shelter	High	\$
Provide at least one accessible counter at the concession stand		\$
Remodel restroom to eliminate barriers		\$\$\$
Replace drinking fountain with high-low units	Medium	\$\$
Add assistive listening systems and signage if there is an audio system used	Medium	\$
Schlieve Field		
Replace/install matting in batting cage	High	\$
Per FDL County Inspection there appears to be some needs in the concession		
stand	Medium	\$\$\$
Resurface & paint parking lot	High	\$\$\$\$
Spring Street Diamond C		
Add shade trees (~5 trees)	Low	\$
Consider removal of diamond as part of potential improvements to the		
Community Center	Low	TBD
Waupun Baseball Complex		
Add shade area or roof-type shelter	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Replace turf as needed; work with association.	Medium	Maint.
Add Miracle Field for accessibility	Low	\$\$\$\$
Add signage to direct users to other accessible stalls in the park	Medium	\$
Add high unit to easterly building drinking fountain	Low	\$
Add high unit to westerly building drinking fountain	Low	\$
Add assistive listening systems and signage if there is an audio system used	Low	\$
Consider priority needs for playground accessibility	Low	TBD
Community Parks		
McCune Park		
Diversity the types of recreational facilities offered at the park to enhance use		
of the park by all ages	Medium	TBD

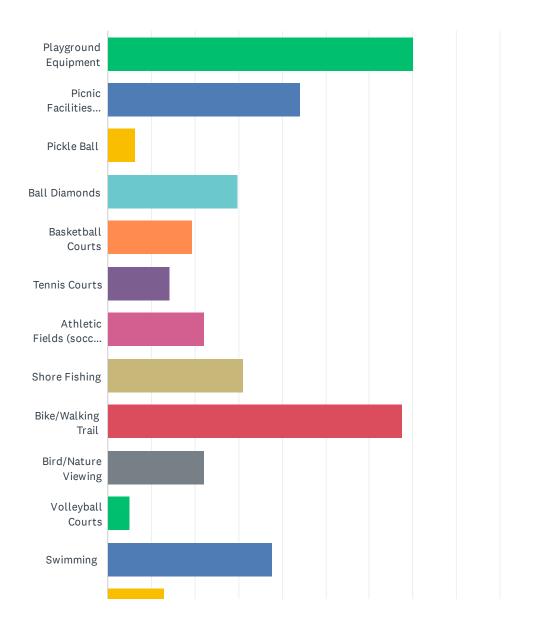
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New recreational facilities include a unique natural based playground ("dream		
park"), pickleball courts, fitness stations, and other unique facilities to Waupun		
(e.g. shuffle board courts, horseshoe pits,etc.)	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Maintain the existing consider adjust field size to accommodate high school		
baseball, basketball court, volleyball courts, and shelter	Medium	\$\$\$
Rehabilitate the former beach area as a naturalized pond with boardwalk and		
sculptural feature	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Install low growing prairie and butterfly gardens with habitat housing for birds,		
butterflies, bees and bats	Medium	\$
Add walking trails throughout the park and to adjacent residential		
neighborhoods	Medium	\$\$\$
Replace the existing bathhouse with a new open air shelter equipped with		
restrooms	Medium	\$\$\$
Add further accessible routes to park amenities	Medium	\$\$
Provide at least one exterior and one at the interior concession service counter	Medium	\$\$\$
Remodel restrooms for accessibility	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Replace drinking fountain with high-low units	Medium	\$\$
Add assistive listening systems and signage if there is an audio system used	Low	\$
Nature Preserve		
Meadow View Heights Park		
Add restrooms (or at least a portable restroom at the parking lot)	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Possible canoe/kayak entry point (alternative to a facility at Waupun County		
Park)	low	\$\$\$\$
Consider purchase of Spergers Bona Vista Farms property to expand park	Low	\$\$\$\$
Expand parking lot	Low	\$\$\$\$
Add more trees	High	\$
Add bench near walk path	Medium	\$
Replace bad boards on boardwalk	High	Maint.
Trim trees along boardwalk for better visibility	High	Maint.
Special Purpose Parks	5	
Shaler Memorial Park		
Install fishing pier for better access to water's edge for fishing	Low	\$\$\$\$
Possible canoe/kayak entry point below dam(alternative to a facility at Richard		-
Holmes/Rock River Intermediate School)	Low	\$\$\$\$
Add a kayak rental cabinet	Medium	\$\$
Add accessible route to and through memorial	High	\$\$\$
Waupun Family Aquatic Center	5	
	Low	\$\$
Add picnic areas		• •
Add picnic areas Add climbing wall	Medium	\$\$\$

Add snow guard	High	\$
Add more trees	medium	\$
Seal & paint parking lot	Medium	\$\$\$
Relace old shade with new 3-umbrella system	High	\$\$\$
Dog Park		
None		-
Undeveloped Parks		
Oak Lane Park		
Create a master plan for the park with consideration to floodplain issues.		
Potential improvements could include:	Medium	\$\$\$
ADA accessible walk path	Medium	\$\$
Shrubs, flowers, trees	Medium	\$
Benches near retention pond and tables	Medium	\$\$
Fountain	Low	\$\$\$
Open air shelter	Medium	\$\$\$
Backstop	Low	\$\$
Soccer goals	Low	\$
Playground equipment	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Basketball court	Medium	\$\$\$\$
Install park sign	High	\$
Stall and signage for accessible on-street parking	Medium	\$\$
Accessible curb ramp	Medium	\$\$

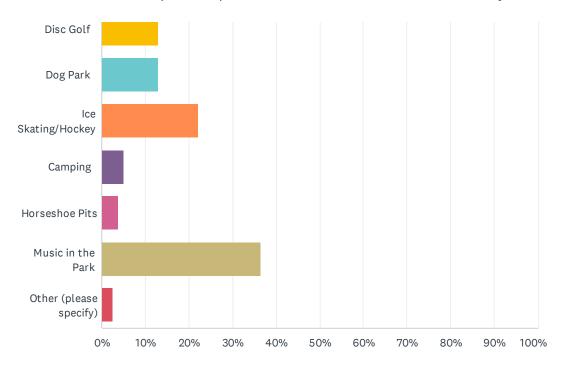
# Appendix A:

# SURVEY RESULTS

# Q1 When visiting City parks which activities or facilities do you or members of your household most commonly participate in or use? Check all that apply.



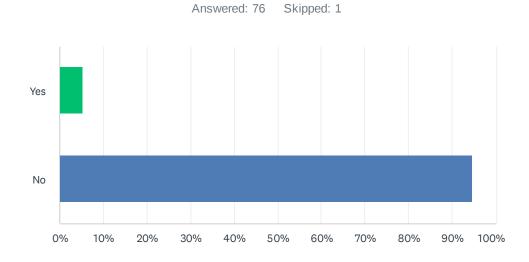
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Playground Equipment	70.13%	54
Picnic Facilities (grills, shelters, etc.)	44.16%	34
Pickle Ball	6.49%	5
Ball Diamonds	29.87%	23
Basketball Courts	19.48%	15
Tennis Courts	14.29%	11
Athletic Fields (soccer, football, etc.)	22.08%	17
Shore Fishing	31.17%	24
Bike/Walking Trail	67.53%	52
Bird/Nature Viewing	22.08%	17
Volleyball Courts	5.19%	4
Swimming	37.66%	29
Disc Golf	12.99%	10
Dog Park	12.99%	10
Ice Skating/Hockey	22.08%	17
Camping	5.19%	4
Horseshoe Pits	3.90%	3
Music in the Park	36.36%	28
Other (please specify)	2.60%	2
Total Respondents: 77		

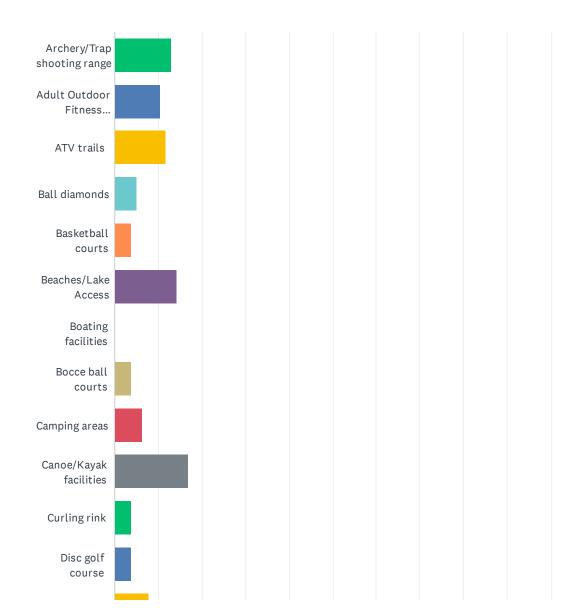
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Kayaking	4/15/2023 8:39 PM
2	Restrooms	3/19/2023 10:31 AM

### Q2 Do you have any concerns about safety or accessibility in any of our parks?

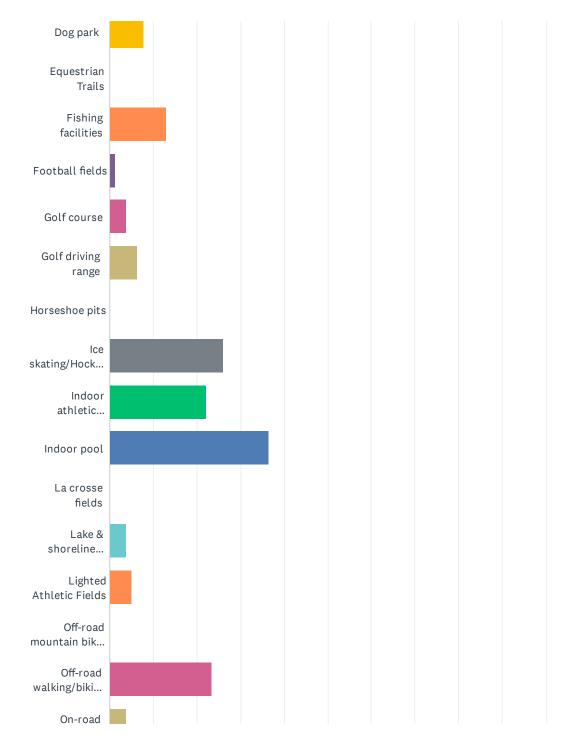


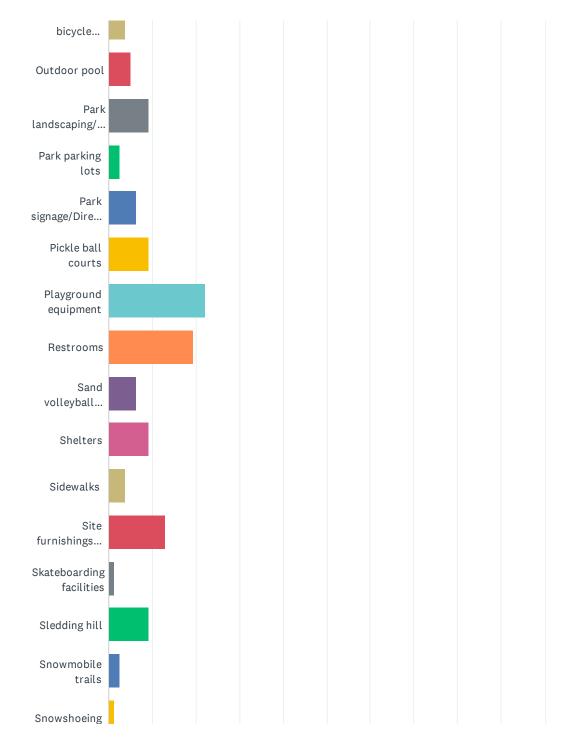
#	IF YES, PLEASE DESCRIBE THE NAME OF THE PARK AND THE CONCERN.	DATE
1	Some of the parks make it hard to get around when you have mobility issues.	4/17/2023 7:44 PM
2	Not sure if these are considered parks nut the NEW baseball fields across from the middle/high school are absolutely TERRIBLE for access for people with disabilities. The few handicapped parking spaces are so far away and so few it's a joke. Also, soccer fields by RR school are bad. It is absolutely heartbreaking watching some people trying to walk to see these sporting activities and I have talked to people who just don't go because it's too difficult to get there.	4/17/2023 9:30 AM
3	·	4/15/2023 10:07 AM
4	I don't have any concerns	4/14/2023 7:14 AM
5	The fence at the dog park does not go low enough allowing small dogs to escape.	4/12/2023 7:28 AM
6	The lighting is not the best at a lot of the parks.	3/20/2023 7:38 PM

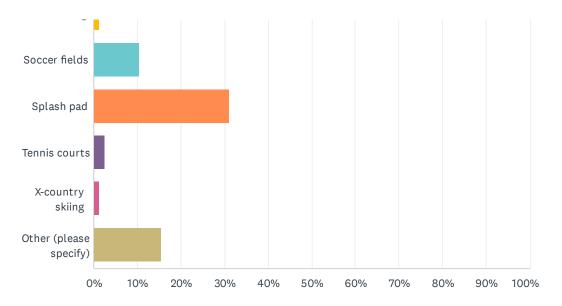
Q3 Which of the following amenities would you like to be added, improved or expanded in Waupun either by public or private entities? Mark up to 6 preferences.



Answered: 77 Skipped: 0







ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Archery/Trap shooting range	12.99%	10
Adult Outdoor Fitness Equipment	10.39%	8
ATV trails	11.69%	9
Ball diamonds	5.19%	4
Basketball courts	3.90%	3
Beaches/Lake Access	14.29%	11
Boating facilities	0.00%	0
Bocce ball courts	3.90%	3
Camping areas	6.49%	5
Canoe/Kayak facilities	16.88%	13
Curling rink	3.90%	3
Disc golf course	3.90%	3
Dog park	7.79%	6
Equestrian Trails	0.00%	0
Fishing facilities	12.99%	10
Football fields	1.30%	1
Golf course	3.90%	3
Golf driving range	6.49%	5
Horseshoe pits	0.00%	0
Ice skating/Hockey rink	25.97%	20
Indoor athletic complex (for multiple programs/sports)	22.08%	17
Indoor pool	36.36%	28
La crosse fields	0.00%	0

Lake & shoreline restoration	3.90%	3
Lighted Athletic Fields	5.19%	4
Off-road mountain biking trails	0.00%	0
Off-road walking/biking trails	23.38%	18
On-road bicycle facilities	3.90%	3
Outdoor pool	5.19%	4
Park landscaping/Trees	9.09%	7
Park parking lots	2.60%	2
Park signage/Directional signage	6.49%	5
Pickle ball courts	9.09%	7
Playground equipment	22.08%	17
Restrooms	19.48%	15
Sand volleyball courts	6.49%	5
Shelters	9.09%	7
Sidewalks	3.90%	3
Site furnishings (benches, tables, grills,etc.)	12.99%	10
Skateboarding facilities	1.30%	1
Sledding hill	9.09%	7
Snowmobile trails	2.60%	2
Snowshoeing	1.30%	1
Soccer fields	10.39%	8
Splash pad	31.17%	24
Tennis courts	2.60%	2
X-country skiing	1.30%	1

Other (please specify)	15.58%	12
Total Respondents: 77		

1 2 3	Better lighting under the park shelters	4/17/2023 7:44 PM
2		
3	Electric car charging	4/15/2023 8:39 PM
5	Shuffleboard, Outdoor	4/15/2023 5:51 PM
4	Extend bike path to southwest end of town	4/15/2023 10:28 AM
5	Somewhere to ride dirt bikes, they are not allowed on atv trails	4/15/2023 8:15 AM
6	Either a shoot slide or climbing wall at the pool	4/15/2023 8:11 AM
7	Off road walking biking trails	4/13/2023 10:00 AM
8	Dredge out mill pond and rock river through town. This way people can utilize it and it will help with flooding issues	4/12/2023 5:56 PM
9	Mini golf	4/12/2023 3:57 PM
10	Gaming area with concrete tables	4/4/2023 8:54 AM
11	Indoor trampoline park; Indoor sports complex	3/20/2023 7:38 PM
12	Gaga ball pit	3/19/2023 9:05 AM

Q4 Referring back to question 3, please indicate your number one desired park amenity to be added, improved or expanded in Waupun either by public or private entities. Why is this your top choice?

Answered: 64 Skipped: 13

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Bocce ball courts	4/17/2023 7:44 PM
2	Bike trails	4/17/2023 9:30 AM
3	Electric car charging. It needs to be in public spaces. People will choose a park with electric car charging over a park without it. Life is busy.	4/15/2023 8:39 PM
4	Ice rink	4/15/2023 5:51 PM

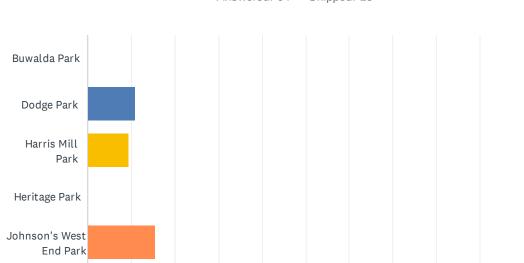
5	Bike trail	4/15/2023 10:28 AM
6	sand volleyball courts	4/15/2023 10:07 AM
7	Walking trails. The most accessible important exercise that anyone can do at anytime with least added cost	4/15/2023 9:07 AM
8	I would love to see free kayaks available by a kayak launch in waupun. I have used this in mayville and Horicon and absolutely love it. This is my top choice because there is plenty of water access and I love kayaking but don't have the space to store or transport one	4/15/2023 8:27 AM
9	Signage for dogs requirements and motor vehicles on walking trails. Also, in-forced.	4/15/2023 8:26 AM
10	Indoor pool would be amazing as I think all families and children need to keep up on fitness year round and it's hard in the winter months to get out of the house to get in some kind of physical activity and this would greatly help!	4/15/2023 8:15 AM
11	Either a shoot slide or climbing wall at the pool	4/15/2023 8:11 AM
12	Because I have little kids	4/15/2023 6:56 AM
13	Bathrooms and benches. When walking, need a bathroom, and a place to sit and rest.	4/14/2023 7:58 PM
14	Restrooms. Shelters and picnic tables	4/14/2023 1:13 PM
15	Hockey Rink. My son plays hockey and loves it. It's been so good for him and for everyone he plays with. Would also love to see outdoor ice skating/ hockey rink in winter.	4/14/2023 7:18 AM
16	Splash pad	4/14/2023 7:14 AM
17	Hockey rink	4/14/2023 6:24 AM
18	Ice skating/hockey rink	4/13/2023 10:02 PM
19	Restrooms. They are just really bad.	4/13/2023 3:24 PM
20	Indoor pool - year round access. Great for families. Helps with the winter blues.	4/13/2023 12:40 PM
21	Shelters. This is especially essential for family time together.	4/13/2023 10:44 AM
22	Great advancements have been made in play technology by companies like BCI Burke. I would love to see advanced play equipment, interactive, musical, etc.	4/13/2023 10:07 AM
23	Usage	4/13/2023 10:00 AM
24	Need to replace the turf to keep them state of the art and the reason so many tournaments are held in waupun. You get rid of the turf and they are just another field.	4/13/2023 8:44 AM
25	Archery Range	4/13/2023 8:24 AM
26	So many people ride bikes in the middle of the road.	4/12/2023 9:05 PM
27	Hockey rink updated	4/12/2023 8:36 PM
28	Splash pad	4/12/2023 7:57 PM

29	Splash pad fun for kiddos	4/12/2023 5:40 PM
30	More playground equipment at the higher used parks	4/12/2023 3:57 PM
31	Splash pad	4/12/2023 2:42 PM
32	Splash Pad. Great and safe fun for parents of very small children that are too young for pools or want to play early in the morning and/or outside pool hours.	4/12/2023 12:50 PM
33	At minimum straighten the rims at mccune park on the basketball courts. Also, if building new courts use single rims and not double.	4/12/2023 11:51 AM
34	Hockey Rink/Community Center. It has been part of our community for ever. Built by past generations.	4/12/2023 8:48 AM
35	sledding hill	4/12/2023 8:21 AM
36	Would love to see the ice rink repaired to preserve the rich tradition waupun has built for hockey and skating.	4/12/2023 8:07 AM
37	Signage. There should be kiosks around showing maps of where things are, where you can go next, and what there is to do	4/12/2023 8:03 AM
38	Indoor pool	4/12/2023 8:01 AM
39	Indoor athletic complex- there is such a need for more space for so many of the youth athletic programs in the community. Waupun has awesome youth opportunities and I think continuing to help these programs do their best will only continue to help improve our community and bring others to it.	4/12/2023 7:55 AM
40	Splash pad	4/12/2023 7:13 AM
41	pickleball	4/11/2023 10:24 PM
42	Hockey Rink	4/11/2023 8:18 PM
43	Splash pad	4/11/2023 7:13 PM
44	Splash Pad	4/11/2023 1:10 PM
45	Indoor athletic complex for adults. A pitching machine setup for hitting baseballs and softballs. Other than bars and the bowling alley adults don't have any athletic choices in waupun	4/10/2023 8:08 AM
46	Atv trail	4/9/2023 7:53 PM
47	ATV trails	4/8/2023 2:28 AM
48	Updated swings and playground equipment at the smaller parks which are used just as much as the "big" parks	4/7/2023 8:15 PM
49	hockey rink	4/7/2023 10:54 AM
50	It would be sooo nice to have a beach area like back when mccune wad open- one that you could go to earlier than 1 o clock when its nap time for the kids- the county park really could use some tlc- it has sooo much potential to be a beautiful place as there is so much space there but it always looks so sad and empty	4/4/2023 9:59 AM
51	Gaming area	4/4/2023 8:54 AM
52	Splash pad at like dodge park or Wilcox. Somewhere in the middle or east side of town. Many, many families can't afford a	4/4/2023 8:54 AM

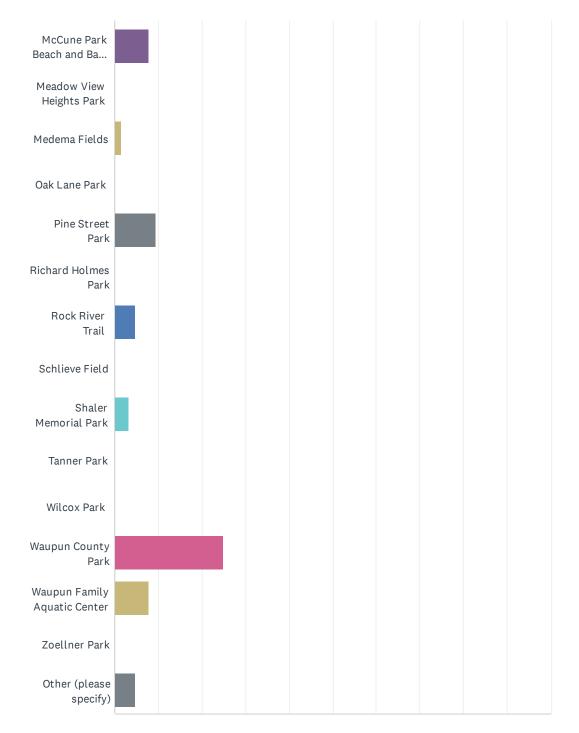
pool pass & a splash pad would allow those families to enjoy a place too cool off in the summer & many don't have ac and many young kids are left on their own during the day.

53	Some of our park restrooms are really out of date and in need of some work.	3/27/2023 10:39 AM
54	Restrooms, choice used by all who visit park.	3/26/2023 3:25 AM
55	Splash pad	3/25/2023 7:03 AM
56	Archery range.	3/21/2023 1:39 PM
57	Indoor athletic complex	3/21/2023 9:02 AM
58	Indoor trampoline park	3/20/2023 7:38 PM
59	Off road walking	3/20/2023 9:06 AM
60	Playground equipment, because while most of the parks are newer, I feel they don't accommodate for all ages and all types of mobility.	3/19/2023 10:31 AM
61	Gagaball pit	3/19/2023 9:05 AM
62	Indoor pool I would enjoy year round swim access and believe many others would too	3/18/2023 6:46 PM
63	Soccer Fields !!	3/18/2023 8:04 AM
64	Indoor facilities-winter is just so so long and it would be nice to have an option locally to take the kids to or for elderly to utilize without concern of falling outside for walks etc	3/17/2023 12:46 PM

### Q5 What is your favorite park to visit in Waupun?



Answered: 64 Skipped: 13



0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Buwalda Park	0.00%	0
Dodge Park	10.94%	7
Harris Mill Park	9.38%	6
Heritage Park	0.00%	0
Johnson's West End Park	15.63%	10
McCune Park Beach and Ball Diamond Complex	7.81%	5
Meadow View Heights Park	0.00%	0
Medema Fields	1.56%	1
Oak Lane Park	0.00%	0
Pine Street Park	9.38%	6
Richard Holmes Park	0.00%	0
Rock River Trail	4.69%	3
Schlieve Field	0.00%	0
Shaler Memorial Park	3.13%	2
Tanner Park	0.00%	0
Wilcox Park	0.00%	0
Waupun County Park	25.00%	16
Waupun Family Aquatic Center	7.81%	5
Zoellner Park	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	4.69%	3
TOTAL		64

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	FDL County Park	4/13/2023 8:27 AM
2	West end park	4/12/2023 7:27 PM
3	Community Center	4/11/2023 8:21 PM

## Q6 Why is this park your favorite park to visit in Waupun?

Answered: 61 Skipped: 16

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It is close to my house and I enjoy the Summer Concerts in the Park. I can walk there as parking is better than the other park, but easier to get to. It also, is better for a wheelchair.	4/17/2023 7:47 PM
2	It's beauty	4/17/2023 9:33 AM
3	On the river and connected to county park	4/15/2023 8:50 PM
4	Open spaces plentiful, restrooms are newer, playground, plenty of street parking, multiple activities available	4/15/2023 5:59 PM
5	Love to bike through it	4/15/2023 10:31 AM
6	has water and a walking trail	4/15/2023 10:09 AM
7	Pool and walking trail	4/15/2023 9:12 AM
8	I love feeling like I'm outside of town without actually leaving town	4/15/2023 8:31 AM
9	I like the trails and walking area and all the things it offers.	4/15/2023 8:30 AM
10	Our family loves riding bikes out here.	4/15/2023 8:18 AM
11	My kids go daily	4/15/2023 8:12 AM
12	Many memories, and I love the waterfalls and statues.	4/14/2023 8:04 PM
13	Live close by	4/14/2023 10:44 AM
14	My kids love the playground	4/14/2023 8:09 AM
15	It's a great pool	4/14/2023 7:18 AM
16	Closest to home	4/14/2023 6:26 AM
17	Wooded trails, wildlife	4/13/2023 10:07 PM
18	I play Waupun Women's softball there during the summer months. It's so fun!	4/13/2023 3:26 PM

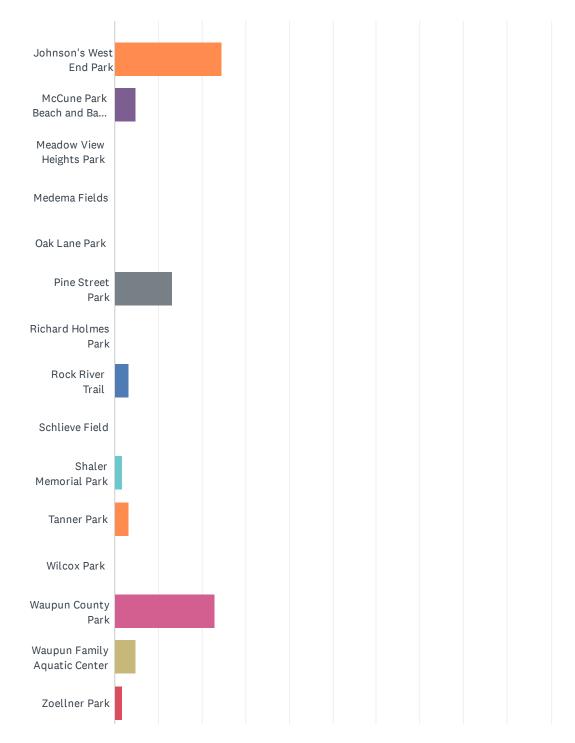
19	Near walking trail, scenery	4/13/2023 12:41 PM
20	It usually means I'm either playing volleyball or softball, which is great.	4/13/2023 10:11 AM
21	Trails	4/13/2023 10:02 AM
22	Nice setting	4/13/2023 8:49 AM
23	Love the outdoors and wooded trails	4/13/2023 8:27 AM
24	Walking Swimming Biking	4/12/2023 10:48 PM
25	Beautiful park!	4/12/2023 9:09 PM
26	Close to family	4/12/2023 8:38 PM
27	Swimming	4/12/2023 8:00 PM
28	Location	4/12/2023 7:27 PM
29	Many years of running mens softball league there	4/12/2023 5:59 PM
30	Lots to do	4/12/2023 5:43 PM
31	Shade, room to play in the grass or equipment, picnic area, nice neighborhood	4/12/2023 4:00 PM
32	Closest to my house	4/12/2023 1:26 PM
33	Only decent single rim basketball court	4/12/2023 12:02 PM
34	Good location	4/12/2023 8:50 AM
35	large and many amenities and enough for future expansion	4/12/2023 8:23 AM
36	River view, access to aquatic center, abundance of trees, access to hiking trail	4/12/2023 8:15 AM
37	It's always been our families go to park.	4/12/2023 8:06 AM
38	Always been close to home. Large shade trees	4/12/2023 8:04 AM
39	Location	4/12/2023 8:01 AM
40	The landscape and riverfront is beautiful. The shelter is very nice too.	4/12/2023 7:30 AM
41	Most beautiful!	4/11/2023 10:26 PM
42	So many different uses	4/11/2023 8:21 PM
43	Close to home	4/11/2023 7:16 PM
44	Proximity to my home	4/11/2023 1:12 PM
45	Adult softball	4/10/2023 8:10 AM
46	It has the most to do, and concerts in the park	4/9/2023 7:55 PM

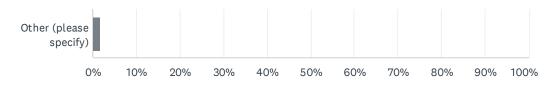
47	Pool	4/8/2023 2:33 AM
48	Nice equipment and close th the grankids	4/7/2023 8:18 PM
49	Very nicely kept	4/4/2023 10:01 AM
50	Shade, nice seating areas, fishing access, love to watch the water & dam, but I don't have young kids anymore. If I did it's dodge park. I really don't have a favorite. We have all great parks!	4/4/2023 8:59 AM
51	Views of the water	4/4/2023 8:56 AM
52	Beautiful	3/26/2023 3:28 AM
53	Good walking trail	3/25/2023 7:04 AM
54	It has woods, trails, and river access. It's a beautiful park. We walk there multiple times a week and drive through often to look for wildlife.	3/21/2023 1:40 PM
55	Location	3/21/2023 9:03 AM
56	Tennis and pickle ball and horseshoes	3/20/2023 7:42 PM
57	The walking in woods	3/20/2023 9:08 AM
58	We enjoy swimming, and that we are able to stop at the play ground equipment right near by before and after we're done swimming.	3/19/2023 10:37 AM
59	Location	3/19/2023 9:07 AM
60	Close to our house. Grew up playing there and now take grandchildren there	3/18/2023 8:08 AM
61	Playground is well kept. Nice shade. River walk	3/17/2023 12:48 PM

# Q7 What park to you frequent the most in Waupun?



Answered: 61 Skipped: 16





ANSWER CHO	CES	RESPO	NSES	
Buwalda Park		0.00%		0
Dodge Park		8.20%		5
Harris Mill Park		9.84%		6
Heritage Park		0.00%		0
Johnson's West	End Park	24.59%		15
McCune Park B	each and Ball Diamond Complex	4.92%		3
Meadow View H	eights Park	0.00%		0
Medema Fields		0.00%		0
Oak Lane Park		0.00%		0
Pine Street Par		13.11%		8
Richard Holmes	Park	0.00%		0
Rock River Trai		3.28%		2
Schlieve Field		0.00%		0
Shaler Memoria	Park	1.64%		1
Tanner Park		3.28%		2
Wilcox Park		0.00%		0
Waupun County	Park	22.95%		14
Waupun Family	Aquatic Center	4.92%		3
Zoellner Park		1.64%		1
Other (please s	pecify)	1.64%		1
TOTAL				61
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)		DATE	
1	Community Center		4/11/2023 8:21 PM	

### Q8 Why do you frequent this park the most in Waupun?

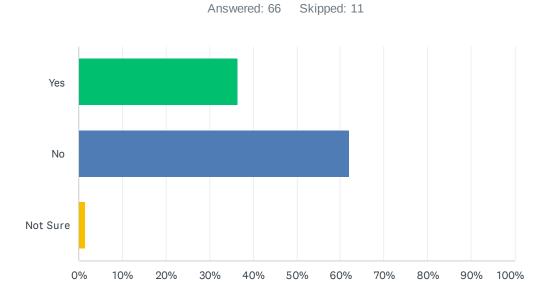
Answered: 53 Skipped: 24

	DECDONCEC.	DATE
#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Concerts in the park and it is close to my house.	4/17/2023 7:47 PM
2	It's beauty	4/17/2023 9:33 AM
3	I launch my kayak their. It is nice to walk/bike in between county park.	4/15/2023 8:50 PM
4	Same reason as #6	4/15/2023 5:59 PM
5	Biking	4/15/2023 10:31 AM
6	live near	4/15/2023 10:09 AM
7	Walk everyday on river walk due to beauty and nature	4/15/2023 9:12 AM
8	Taking frequent walks and often go through this park.	4/15/2023 8:31 AM
9	Waupun county park/Pine Park	4/15/2023 8:30 AM
10	We go often in the summer	4/15/2023 8:18 AM
11	I visit my dads grave and my relatives graves, and my grandparents grave. I'm also a veteran, and I like to view the memorial wall.	4/14/2023 8:04 PM
12	By house	4/14/2023 10:44 AM
13	Because it's the closest to me	4/14/2023 8:09 AM
14	Closet to our house	4/14/2023 7:18 AM
15	Walking trails	4/13/2023 10:07 PM
16	A lot of community events are held here.	4/13/2023 3:26 PM
17	Festivals, close to home	4/13/2023 12:41 PM
18	Central location, proximity to hospital and churches	4/13/2023 10:11 AM
19	Grandchildren use the playground equipment	4/13/2023 10:02 AM
20	Nice settings and activities	4/13/2023 8:49 AM
21	Closest to our house	4/13/2023 8:27 AM
22	Close to family	4/12/2023 8:38 PM

23	Closest to home	4/12/2023 8:00 PM
24	Fishing	4/12/2023 5:59 PM
25	Lots to do	4/12/2023 5:43 PM
26	Location, shade, equipment plus the grass area to play soccer, baseball, fly kites	4/12/2023 4:00 PM
27	Closest to my home	4/12/2023 1:26 PM
28	Kids like it	4/12/2023 8:50 AM
29	closest	4/12/2023 8:23 AM
30	Playground and location	4/12/2023 8:15 AM
31	It seems to be the easiest to find for our out of town visitors	4/12/2023 8:06 AM
32	Same reason as above	4/12/2023 8:04 AM
33	Location	4/12/2023 8:01 AM
34	It's beautiful and convenient	4/12/2023 7:30 AM
35	Closest and great for grandkids	4/11/2023 10:26 PM
36	Hockey	4/11/2023 8:21 PM
37	Close to home	4/11/2023 7:16 PM
38	Proximity to my home	4/11/2023 1:12 PM
39	We can play softball there	4/10/2023 8:10 AM
40	Most activities	4/9/2023 7:55 PM
41	Pool	4/8/2023 2:33 AM
42	Close to my home	4/7/2023 8:18 PM
43	Within walking distance of our house	4/4/2023 10:01 AM
44	Pool, camping, play area, trails, water front to sit by.	4/4/2023 8:59 AM
45	Nice area	4/4/2023 8:56 AM
46	Easy route to drive/walk	3/26/2023 3:28 AM
47	Dogs allowed	3/25/2023 7:04 AM
48	For all the walking trails.	3/21/2023 1:40 PM
49	Tennis and pickle ball courts and playground	3/20/2023 7:42 PM
50	Walks	3/20/2023 9:08 AM

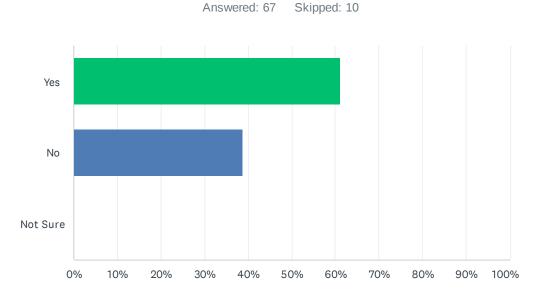
51	Close to home, and our daughter can ride her scooter there as we walk.	3/19/2023 10:37 AM
52	Location	3/19/2023 9:07 AM
53	As above	3/17/2023 12:48 PM

# Q9 Did anyone in your household participate in City sponsored recreation program in the past year (e.g. youth sports, adult sports, dance, etc.)?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	36.36%	24
No	62.12%	41
Not Sure	1.52%	1
TOTAL		66

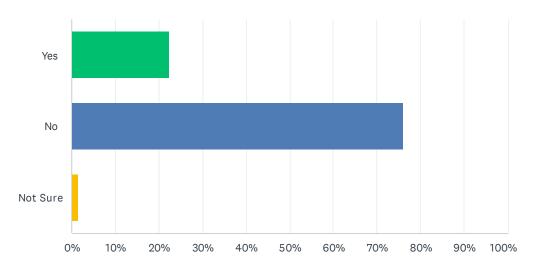
# Q10 Did anyone in your household visit/use the Community Center (510 W. Spring St.) in the past year?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	61.19%	41
No	38.81%	26
Not Sure	0.00%	0
TOTAL		67

### Q11 Did anyone in your household visit/use the Senior Center (301 E. Main St.) in the past year?

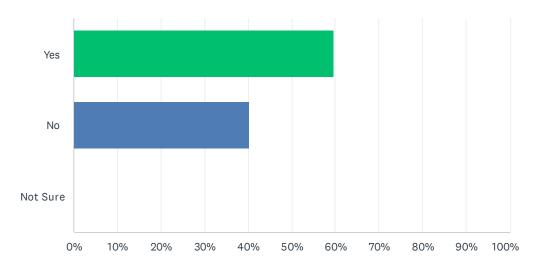
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	22.39%	15
No	76.12%	51
Not Sure	1.49%	1
TOTAL		67

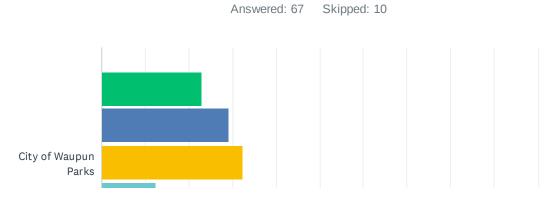
# Q12 Did anyone in your household visit/use the Aquatic Center (701 County Park Rd.) in the past year?

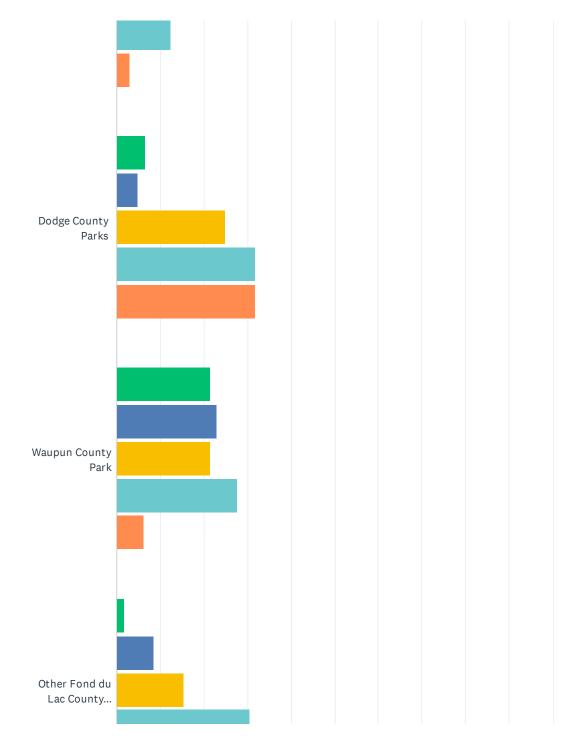
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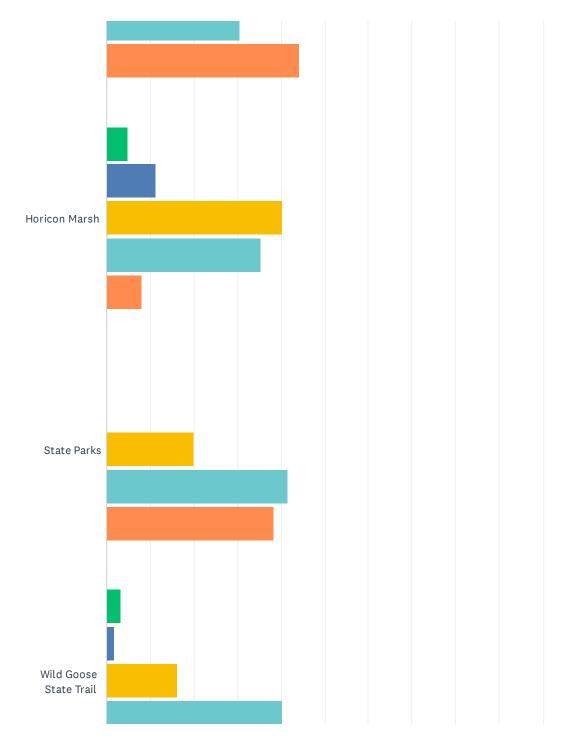


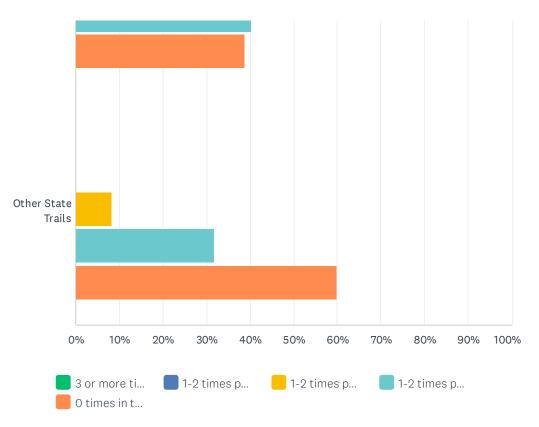
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	59.70%	40
No	40.30%	27
Not Sure	0.00%	0
TOTAL		67

Q13 Excluding winter months, on average how often do you or members of your household visit or use...?





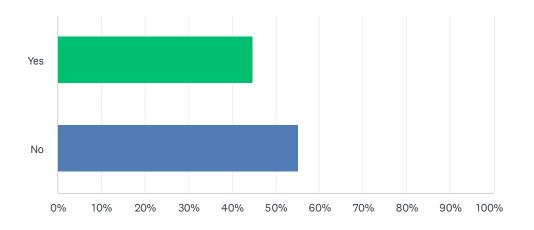




	3 OR MORE TIMES PER WEEK	1-2 TIMES PER WEEK	1-2 TIMES PER MONTH	1-2 TIMES PER YEAR	0 TIMES IN THE PAST YEAR	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
City of Waupun Parks	23.08% 15	29.23% 19	32.31% 21	12.31% 8	3.08% 2	65	1.95
Dodge County Parks	6.67% 4	5.00% 3	25.00% 15	31.67% 19	31.67% 19	60	2.88
Waupun County Park	21.54% 14	23.08% 15	21.54% 14	27.69% 18	6.15% 4	65	2.18
Other Fond du Lac County Parks besides Waupun County Park	1.69% 1	8.47% 5	15.25% 9	30.51% 18	44.07% 26	59	3.17
Horicon Marsh	4.84% 3	11.29% 7	40.32% 25	35.48% 22	8.06% 5	62	2.47
State Parks	0.00% 0	0.00%	20.00% 12	41.67% 25	38.33% 23	60	3.18
Wild Goose State Trail	3.23% 2	1.61% 1	16.13% 10	40.32% 25	38.71% 24	62	3.15
Other State Trails	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	8.33% 5	31.67% 19	60.00% 36	60	3.52

Q14 Do you or members of your household commonly (an average of at least once per month) drive somewhere outside of Waupun to use specific recreational facilities?

Answered: 67 Skipped: 10



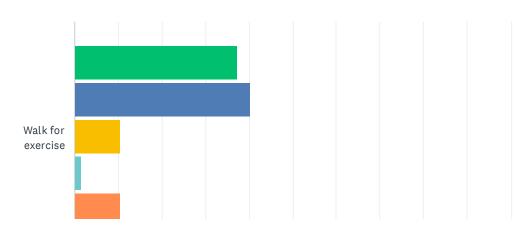
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	44.78%	30
No	55.22%	37
TOTAL		67

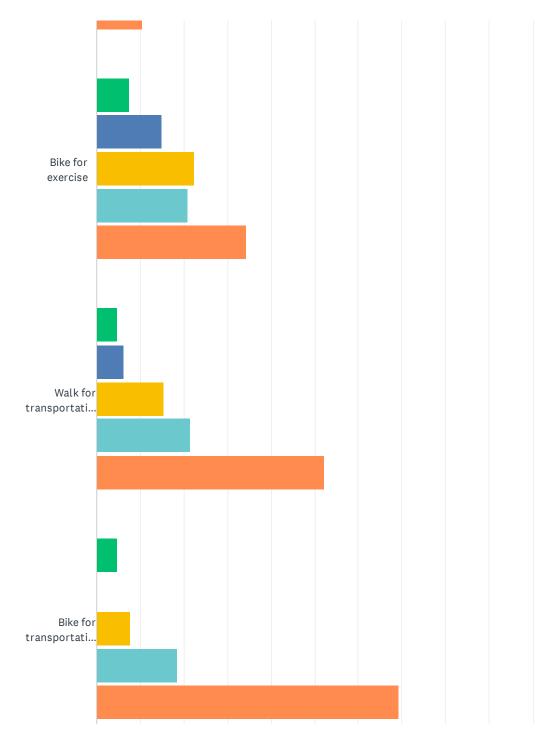
#	IF YES, PLEASE SPECIFY WHERE YOU GO AND FOR WHAT ACTIVITIES/FACILITIES.	DATE
1	Horicon marsh on 49 for bicking/walking. Lakeside park in Fond du Lac Kayaking/fishing also has car chargers.	4/15/2023 8:50 PM
2	Kayak rivers in Neshkoro & Princeton areas; Green Lake for sailing and swimming; Beaver Dam Tahoe Park music Jam by the Dam once/month Friday night in summer; Ripon to Berlin off-road bike trail	4/15/2023 5:59 PM
3	Hiking along Lake Michigan shoreline throughout the state	4/15/2023 9:12 AM
4	Hiking trails at state parks or other parks	4/15/2023 8:31 AM
5	In winter months go to tag center in mayville for swimming	4/15/2023 8:18 AM
6	Splash pads	4/14/2023 7:58 PM
7	Disc golf courses	4/14/2023 10:44 AM
8	Beaches/lakes	4/14/2023 7:18 AM
9	Disc golf	4/14/2023 6:26 AM
10	Hockey in Beaver Dam, Fond du Lac, Appleton when there is no ice in Waupun	4/13/2023 10:07 PM
11	Mayville for their indoor water facility	4/13/2023 12:41 PM

12	I live in Fond du Lac	4/13/2023 10:11 AM
13	Green lake-Dodge memorial park. Boating	4/13/2023 8:27 AM
14	Kohler Andre	4/12/2023 8:38 PM
15	Other areas for kids to fish	4/12/2023 5:59 PM
16	Beaver Dam waterworks park	4/12/2023 4:00 PM
17	Barlow courts in ripon	4/12/2023 12:02 PM
18	FDL and beaver dam ice arena's	4/12/2023 8:50 AM
19	Horicon marsh	4/12/2023 8:06 AM
20	Dyracuse offroad park to ride atv and dirtbike	4/10/2023 8:10 AM
21	Parks along Lake Michigan for hiking trails and beach access to the lake.	4/8/2023 2:33 AM
22	We love checking out new parks all around	4/4/2023 10:01 AM
23	Places that are easy to navigate with stroller/playground equipment for young children.	3/26/2023 3:28 AM
24	Unless you count the Wild Goose State Trail as out of town, then yes we do.	3/21/2023 1:40 PM
25	YMCA - Beaver Dam - basketball and swimming	3/21/2023 9:03 AM
26	Beaver Dam Waterworks Park, Ripon SplashPad.	3/19/2023 10:37 AM
27	Beaver dam-ymca-swimming lessons	3/17/2023 12:48 PM

### Q15 How often do you....

Answered: 67 Skipped: 10





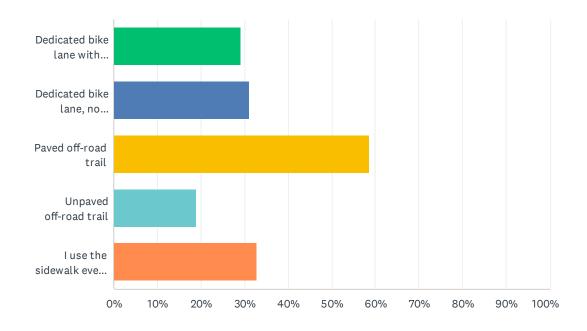


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	3 OR MORE TIMES PER WEEK	1-2 TIMES PER WEEK	1-2 TIMES PER MONTH	1-2 TIMES PER YEAR	0 TIMES IN THE PAST YEAR	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Walk for exercise	37.31% 25	40.30% 27	10.45% 7	1.49% 1	10.45% 7	67	1.85
Bike for exercise	7.46% 5	14.93% 10	22.39% 15	20.90% 14	34.33% 23	67	2.82
Walk for transportation from home to school, work, stores, restaurants, etc.	4.62% 3	6.15% 4	15.38% 10	21.54% 14	52.31% 34	65	3.22
Bike for transportation from home to school, work, stores, restaurants, etc.	4.62% 3	0.00%	7.69% 5	18.46% 12	69.23% 45	65	3.52

### Q16 What type of bike facility do you feel safe using? Check all that apply.

Answered: 58 Skipped: 19



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Dedicated bike lane with physical barrier from cars	29.31%	17
Dedicated bike lane, no barrier from cars	31.03%	18
Paved off-road trail	58.62%	34
Unpaved off-road trail	18.97%	11
I use the sidewalk even if there is a bike lane	32.76%	19
Total Respondents: 58		

# Q17 Are there any parks in Waupun that you can't safely reach by bike or foot? (please identify name of park and concern)

Answered: 21 Skipped: 56

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	No	4/15/2023 8:54 PM
2	Live in the country so not practical to bike highways into town	4/15/2023 6:05 PM
3	No	4/15/2023 10:32 AM
4	no	4/15/2023 10:10 AM
5	Walking on road from Main Street to County park. No sidewalk for about two blocks. Have seen children biking to pool fall in road and nearly get hit by cars. Need to complete the sidewalk	4/15/2023 9:17 AM
6	The beach at McCune	4/15/2023 8:33 AM
7	From main st to aquatic center / golf course	4/14/2023 7:21 AM
8	I live in Fond du Lac	4/13/2023 10:19 AM
9	Pine Park Waupun County Park	4/13/2023 10:04 AM
10	County park, Access off the end of edgewood	4/13/2023 8:30 AM
11	N/a	4/12/2023 8:01 PM
12	None	4/12/2023 8:51 AM
13	Dodge and Wilcox	4/12/2023 8:26 AM
14	No	4/12/2023 8:19 AM
15	Dodge, Wilcox and West End - no bike paths/lanes to access	4/11/2023 1:14 PM
16	No	4/10/2023 8:13 AM
17	No	4/4/2023 8:58 AM
18	Not that I'm aware of.	3/21/2023 1:41 PM
19	N/A I live in the countryside.	3/20/2023 7:45 PM
20	Don't bike to parks	3/19/2023 10:39 AM
21	NA	3/17/2023 12:48 PM

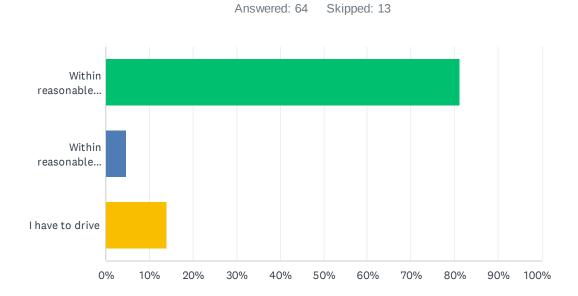
# Q18 Name a specific location in Waupun that needs to be improved for bicycle or pedestrian safety.

Answered: 28 Skipped: 49

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Main street it suck for bikes.	4/15/2023 8:54 PM
2	Gateway Drive; Brown St. by Hospital is scary by car and bike due to angle parking	4/15/2023 6:05 PM
3	Southwest	4/15/2023 10:32 AM
4	•	4/15/2023 10:10 AM
5	Sidewalk from Hwy 49 Main Street to County Park and pool must be completed. Walking or riding small bike in road for the first few blocks before sidewalk starts is very dangerous.	4/15/2023 9:17 AM
6	Rock river trial often floods when the river levels are high	4/15/2023 8:33 AM
7	Gateway Dr. A paved bike trail would be nice.	4/14/2023 8:09 PM
8	Around schools	4/13/2023 10:10 PM
9	Main and Fond du Lac Streets	4/13/2023 10:19 AM
10	Main street make the bike lane more distinguishable like color it to set apart from traffic lane.	4/13/2023 8:53 AM
11	The trail at the end of Edgewood Drive. Please add a trail along county park road to keep bikes and pedestrians off the driving lanes.	4/13/2023 8:30 AM
12	County park	4/12/2023 9:11 PM
13	N/a	4/12/2023 8:01 PM
14	County park road	4/12/2023 6:01 PM
15	None	4/12/2023 8:51 AM
16	the road is narrow and sidewalk is not all the way into the County Park	4/12/2023 8:26 AM
17	Spring Street	4/12/2023 8:19 AM
18	West side near CWC and Hwy 68. Look to partner with them and others for south side trail.	4/11/2023 10:28 PM
19	Downtown - no safe bike lanes/paths	4/11/2023 1:14 PM
20	I rarely even see people on bicycles. I see more idiots walking or running on the street than I do bicycles.	4/10/2023 8:13 AM
21	Trying to cross beaver dam st- not very many people stop for pedestrians	4/4/2023 10:03 AM
22	East and West sides of the city	4/4/2023 8:58 AM
23	Watertown St/Hwy 26 from Libby St. out to Claggett St. and Buwalda Dr.	3/21/2023 1:41 PM
24	Road over by Brittian House. Very hard to see pedestrians in the early morning walking.	3/20/2023 7:45 PM
25	Brown st and beaver dam st by hospital	3/20/2023 9:09 AM
26	NA	3/19/2023 10:39 AM

27	County park	3/18/2023 8:10 AM
28	NA	3/17/2023 12:48 PM

### Q19 How close is the nearest park or trail to your home?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Within reasonable walking and biking distance	81.25%	52
Within reasonable biking distance, but not walking distance	4.69%	3
I have to drive	14.06%	9
TOTAL		64

### Q20 Where would you prioritize the location of new bike facilities, routes, or trails?

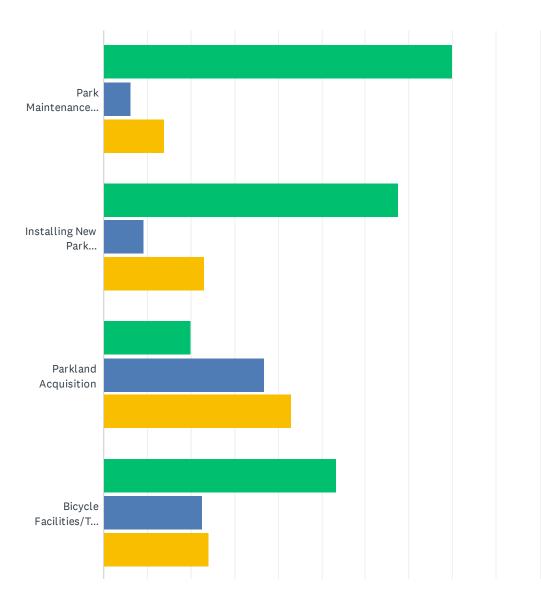
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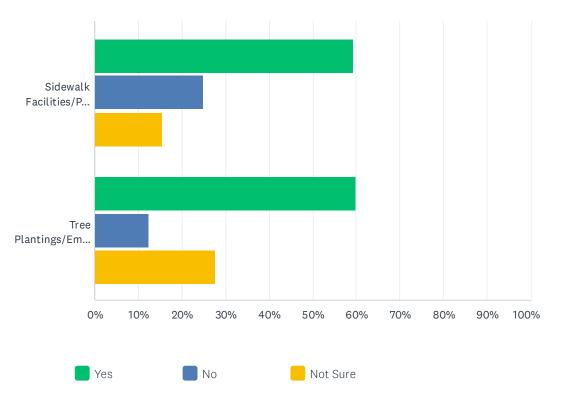
#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It would be great to connect to the wild goose trail from Waupun	4/17/2023 9:35 AM
2	A trail to the wild goose state trail	4/15/2023 8:54 PM
3	To and from the aquatic center/Fond du Lac County Park	4/15/2023 6:05 PM
4	Southwest	4/15/2023 10:32 AM
5		4/15/2023 10:10 AM
6	Along the River where possible.	4/15/2023 9:17 AM
7	Somehow connecting the city to the wild goose trail	4/15/2023 8:33 AM
8	McCune Beach Park definitely needs attention	4/15/2023 8:32 AM
9	By the community center	4/14/2023 8:09 PM
10	County park	4/14/2023 6:27 AM
11	County park, around schools	4/13/2023 10:10 PM
12	McCune area. This park needs drastic improvement	4/13/2023 12:41 PM
13	Gateway and shaler drive, watertown and madison streets	4/13/2023 8:53 AM
14	County park	4/13/2023 8:30 AM
15	County park	4/12/2023 9:11 PM
16	N/a	4/12/2023 8:01 PM
17	County park	4/12/2023 6:01 PM
18	on the South side along or near South Watertown St as many residential areas to be added in the future	4/12/2023 8:26 AM
19	County Park	4/12/2023 8:19 AM
20	Southwest and South side	4/11/2023 10:28 PM
21	I'd like to see a loop around the City	4/11/2023 1:14 PM
22	I don't even know anyone who rides a bicycle anymore. Money invested into bicycle stuff is a waste.	4/10/2023 8:13 AM
23	around waupun or off road route to wild goose trail	4/7/2023 10:59 AM
24	East side and connect to wild goose trail	4/4/2023 8:58 AM
25	On the Dodge County side of town.	3/21/2023 1:41 PM
26	South and North end of town. (Oak Center Road)	3/20/2023 7:45 PM
27	Not sure	3/19/2023 10:39 AM

28	Sculpture tour route	3/19/2023 9:08 AM
29	NA	3/17/2023 12:48 PM

### Q21 Should your community allocate additional funds to be spent on?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 12





	YES	NO	NOT SURE	TOTAL
Park Maintenance (maintain existing grounds/facilities)	80.00% 52	6.15% 4	13.85% 9	65
Installing New Park Facilities/Equipment	67.69% 44	9.23% 6	23.08% 15	65
Parkland Acquisition	20.00% 13	36.92% 24	43.08% 28	65
Bicycle Facilities/Trails	53.23% 33	22.58% 14	24.19% 15	62
Sidewalk Facilities/Pedestrian Enhancements	59.38% 38	25.00% 16	15.63% 10	64
Tree Plantings/Emerald Ash Borer Management	60.00% 39	12.31% 8	27.69% 18	65

# Q22 Please use the space provided below to identify a type of new recreation program or service that the City should consider offering.

Answered: 23 Skipped: 54

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Let dogs in all parks.	4/15/2023 9:00 PM
2	Shuffleboard	4/15/2023 6:10 PM
3	Kayaks or canoes to rent in pond and river. Possibly little boats too.	4/15/2023 9:21 AM
4	Create a couple sections in the dog park. One for small dogs and another for medium/large dogs	4/15/2023 8:39 AM
5	Indoor swimming Dirt bike trails	4/15/2023 8:21 AM
6	Renting bikes or scooters, like Madison, Wi does. In which the rental fee has to be paid, before the bike or scooter can be unlocked.	4/14/2023 8:18 PM
7	Indoor pool, the aquatic center should be changed to an indoor and provide year round recreation.	4/13/2023 12:41 PM
8	Interactive playground equipment	4/13/2023 10:20 AM
9	Connect the boardwalk and bike trails to loop around the city to different parks and amenities like our sculptures. Colorize the bike lanes and add bike lanes currently they are too intermittent now.	4/13/2023 9:00 AM
10	N/a	4/12/2023 8:02 PM
11	Utilize county park make it attractive for campers	4/12/2023 6:02 PM
12	Stuff to get people outside in the winter	4/12/2023 4:03 PM
13	maintain what we have first	4/12/2023 8:27 AM
14	Photography Club	4/12/2023 8:21 AM
15	I love the parks with the park leader for arts and crafts.	4/12/2023 8:16 AM
16	Indoor pool	4/12/2023 8:06 AM
17	Connected bike trail that loops the city; Splash pad in a city park.	4/11/2023 1:16 PM
18	Fix the damn roads first.	4/10/2023 8:16 AM
18 19	Fix the damn roads first. Mini golf course	4/10/2023 8:16 AM 4/4/2023 9:00 AM

	town.	
21	Indoor trampoline park; curling facility	3/20/2023 7:48 PM
22	A parks & rec catalog with various class offerings for children in the summer. There doesn't seem to be a lot of offerings for children.	3/19/2023 10:41 AM
23	Indoor facility—pool or no pool is beneficial.	3/17/2023 12:49 PM

# Q23 Please use this space to provide any other comments relating to pedestrian, bicycle, park and recreation services or facilities in Waupun.

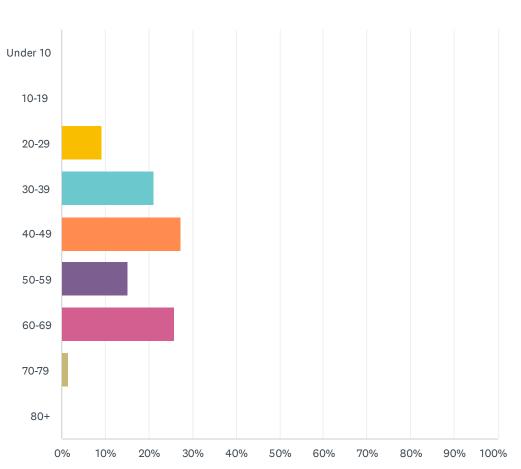
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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More trash cans other than on main St.	4/15/2023 9:00 PM
2	May need additional on-demand flashing lights pedestrian crossings besides just in the downtown	4/15/2023 6:10 PM
3	The rock river has seen a great increase in use since Covid. I have counted 20 kayaks or canoes go by in a matter of 2 hours in the summer. More development along the river for people to stop and visit would be great.	4/15/2023 9:21 AM
4	Add pedestrian crossing lights by Wilcox park crossing Watertown street	4/15/2023 8:39 AM
5	I enjoy walking in trails in the Waupun area. But people need to take care of their dogs properly. Nothing worse than someone's dog all over you or having to watch constantly for dog poop.	4/15/2023 8:35 AM
6	Biggest concern is safety of bicycler and pedestrians. Either a paved bike trail off the road, so only pedestrians use sidewalks and bicycles use their own path. Clean up Fond Du Lac County Park and the potholes in the roads.	4/14/2023 8:18 PM
7	Please increase aquatic center hours. Night hours would make it easier for working parents to utilize the facility.	4/13/2023 10:13 PM
8	I would like to see more walking/biking trails around the city like the boardwalk.	4/13/2023 12:41 PM
9	Build bike and walking lane around mccune beach install benches. Rehab mccune park.	4/13/2023 9:00 AM
10	N/a	4/12/2023 8:02 PM
11	Waupun pool does not need a rock wall, it is already a crowded pool at times and adding that just seems like a lot for lifeguards to watch or people to get hurt on	4/12/2023 4:03 PM
12	Fix the hockey rink	4/12/2023 8:52 AM
13	Bicycle safety near schools	4/12/2023 8:21 AM
14	Focus should be placed on connecting bike trails and providing a paved trail that loops city	4/11/2023 1:16 PM

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16We have a few nice paths. Adding more connectivity would be great4/4/2023 9:00 AM	
17Need to focus on the outer edges of town to build up additional areas for people to walk3/20/2023 7:48 PM	
18We love the city of waupun. Thank you everyone!3/17/2023 12:49 PM	

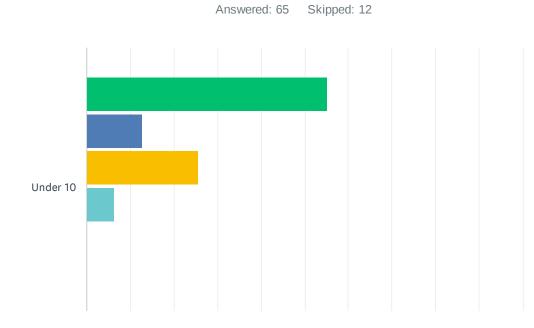
### Q24 What is your age?



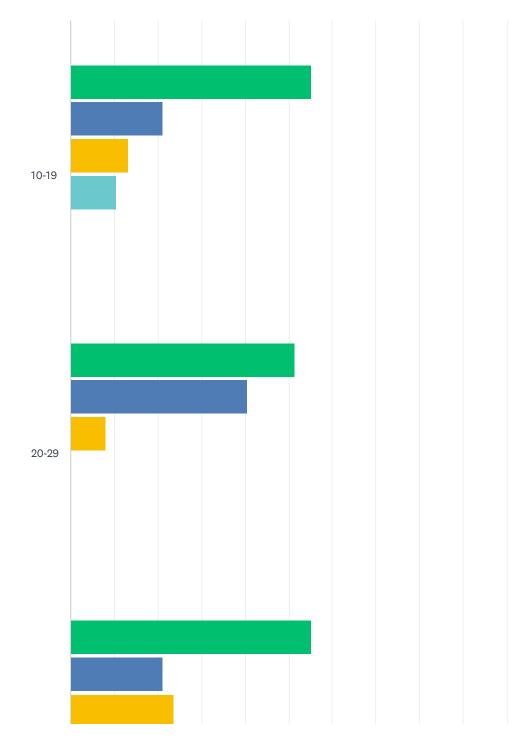
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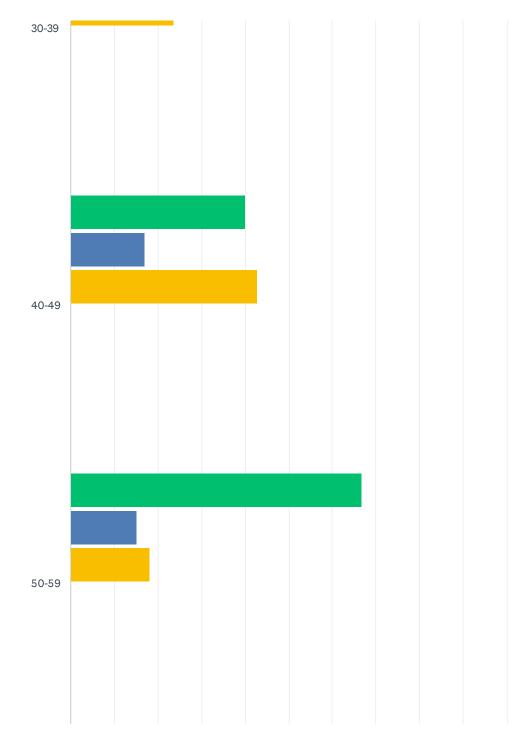
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 10	0.00%	0
10-19	0.00%	0
20-29	9.09%	6
30-39	21.21%	14
40-49	27.27%	18
50-59	15.15%	10
60-69	25.76%	17
70-79	1.52%	1
80+	0.00%	0
TOTAL		66

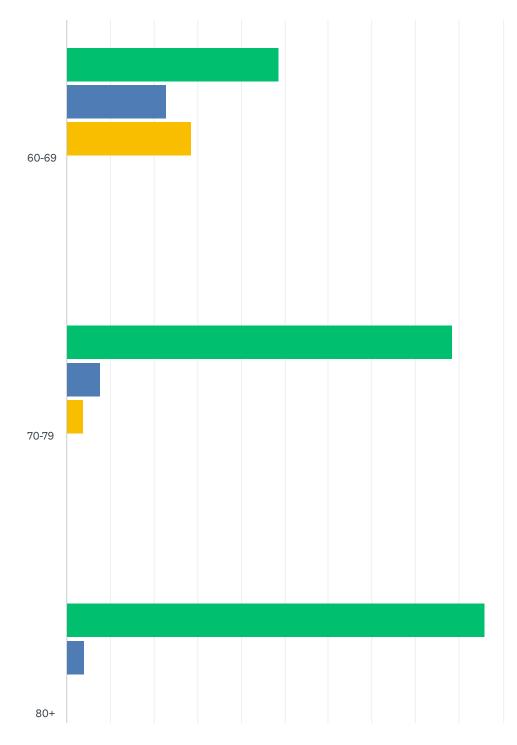
# Q25 Please indicated the number of people in your household, including yourself, who fall within the following age ranges:

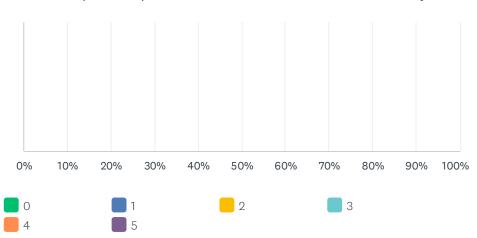


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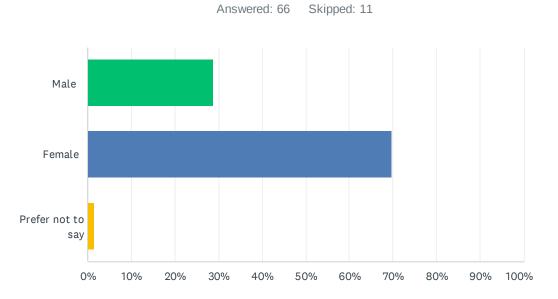






	0	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
Under 10	55.32%	12.77%	25.53%	6.38%	0.00%	0.00%	
	26	6	12	3	0	0	47
10-19	55.26%	21.05%	13.16%	10.53%	0.00%	0.00%	
	21	8	5	4	0	0	38
20-29	51.35%	40.54%	8.11%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	19	15	3	0	0	0	37
30-39	55.26%	21.05%	23.68%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	21	8	9	0	0	0	38
40-49	40.00%	17.14%	42.86%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	14	6	15	0	0	0	35
50-59	66.67%	15.15%	18.18%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	22	5	6	0	0	0	33
60-69	48.57%	22.86%	28.57%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	17	8	10	0	0	0	35
70-79	88.46%	7.69%	3.85%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	23	2	1	0	0	0	26
80+	96.00%	4.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	24	1	0	0	0	0	25

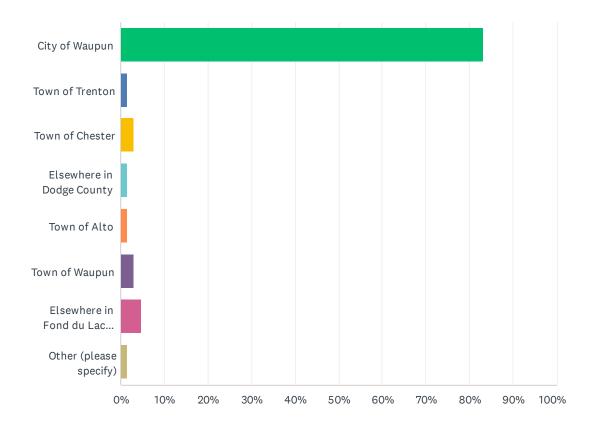
### Q26 What is your gender?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	28.79%	19
Female	69.70%	46
Prefer not to say	1.52%	1
TOTAL		66

### Q27 Where do you live?

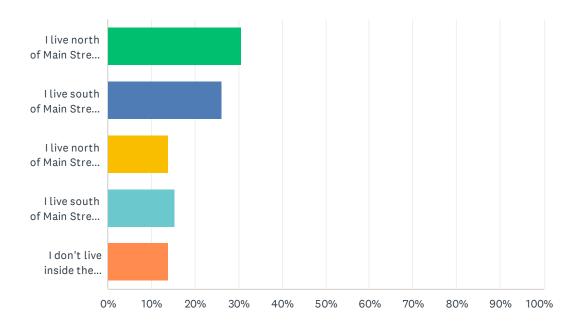
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ANSWER CHO	CES	RESPONSES		
City of Waupun		83.08%		54
Town of Trento		1.54%		1
Town of Cheste	r	3.08%		2
Elsewhere in D	odge County	1.54%		1
Town of Alto		1.54%		1
Town of Waupu	1	3.08%		2
Elsewhere in Fo	nd du Lac County	4.62%		3
Other (please s	pecify)	1.54%		1
TOTAL				65
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)		DATE	
1	Town of Oakfield but city of Waupun		3/20/2023 7:49 PM	

Q28 Indicate the general location of your primary residence in Waupun (see image below)

Answered: 65 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I live north of Main Street and west of the railroad tracks (Area 1)	30.77%	20
I live south of Main Street and west of the railroad tracks (Area 2)	26.15%	17
I live north of Main Street and east of the railroad tracks (Area 3)	13.85%	9
I live south of Main Street and east of the railroad tracks (Area 4)	15.38%	10
I don't live inside the Waupun City Limits	13.85%	9
TOTAL		65

Appendix B:

# PARK & OPEN SPACE CLASSIFICATIONS/ GUIDELINES

**B.1 Park & Open Space Classifications B.2 Park Facility Guidelines** 

Definitions used in this plan are modifications of definitions found in the Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, 2011-2016, Appendix E. They are used to classify the existing parks and recreation system and to guide plans for its future development.

#### **B.1 PARK & OPEN SPACE CLASSIFICATIONS**

#### **MINI-PARK**

Also sometimes referred to as a "Tot Lot" or "Pocket Park" typically located on a small lot, generally a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> acre or less, within a residential neighborhood or commercial business district. Often these sites were originally intended for residential use, but due to various factors (e.g. poor lot design, environmental concerns, etc.), have been converted to a park. Mini-parks generally lack any active recreational facilities and may be limited to gardens, benches, gazebos, fountains, or other small social gathering facilities. Mini-parks typically do not have off-street parking or restroom facilities. Over time they may develop into neighborhood playgrounds. Desirable size: 1.5 acres or less Acres / 1,000 population: 0.25 to 0.5 acres Service Area: 1/8 to 1/4 mile radius

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD PLAYGROUNDS**

A neighborhood playground mainly serves the active recreational needs of children from 5 to 15 years of age, and it may offer passive recreation opportunities to adults. Neighborhood playgrounds typically consist of one or more playground apparatus, small green space/general purpose fields, and associated benches. Some neighborhood playgrounds may develop over time to include additional amenities to become neighborhood parks. Neighborhood playgrounds typically do not have off-street parking, shelters, or restroom facilities.

Desirable size: 1 to 3 acres Acres / 1,000 population: 0.5 to 1.5 acres Service Area: 1/4 to 1/2 mile radius

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS**

In addition to neighborhood playground facilities, neighborhood parks often include shelter facilities, grills, basketball courts, ball diamonds, lighting, and toilet facilities. In general, neighborhood parks offer a more complete range of recreational facilities, for a wider range of age groups, in a larger setting than neighborhood playgrounds. Off-street parking and permanent restroom facilities are not as commonly found as within community parks.

Desirable size: 3 to 10 acres Acres / 1,000 population: 1.0 to 2.0 acres Service Area: 1/2 to 1 mile radius

#### **COMMUNITY PLAYFIELDS**

The community playfield provides for the active recreational needs of several neighborhoods. It provides more unique facilities than a neighborhood park but less facilities as compared to a community park. Examples include parks designed specifically for court games (tennis, basketball, pickleball, etc.), field games (soccer, football, ultimate frisbee) or ball games (softball, baseball). A community playfield might adjoin a public junior or senior high school. Community playfields usually include off-street parking for vehicles and bicycles, concessions and restroom facilities.

Desirable size: 5 or more acres with 10 to 40 acres being most common, but will vary depending on function

Acres / 1,000 population: 5.0 to 8.0 acres Service Area: 1 to 2 mile radius

#### **COMMUNITY PARKS**

The community park is intended to serve the active and passive recreational needs of a number of neighborhoods or a medium-sized municipality. Community parks can be thought of as a combination of a neighborhood park and community playfield. However, community parks usually also offer areas for passive recreation use such as wood areas and walking trails, scenic lookouts, botanical gardens, multiple shelters, grills, and picnic areas. Unique active use facilities may include band shells and aquatic facilities. Off-street parking areas for vehicles and bicycles, permanent restroom facilities, shower facilities, and lighting are common.

Desirable size: 25 or more acres Acres / 1,000 population: 5.0 to 8.0 acres Service Area: 2 to 5 mile radius

#### **SPECIAL USE PARKS**

A special use park is often designed as a revenuegenerating enterprise created to satisfy demand for a particular sport, recreational activity, or special event. A special use park may also be a sports park combined with enterprise activities and administered as a community recreation resource. Certain recreational facilities such as disc golf courses, golf courses, race tracks, municipal pools and waterparks, fishing areas and marinas might be considered special purpose parks. Less active uses may include community gardens or veteran memorials. Special use parks may be combined with community parks. Supporting facilities (offstreet parking, restrooms, etc.) will vary based on the user needs.

Desirable size: Varies - depends on function Acres / 1,000 population: Varies - depends on function

Service Area: Varies - depends on function

#### **NATURE PRESERVES**

Nature preserves may be established to conserve forest lands, marshlands, floodplains, prairies, wildlife habitats, and other areas having cultural, scenic, or natural values. Such areas are usually provided by county, state, or federal governments and have the primary function of wildlife and resource protection. Nature preserves usually include large tracts of land that are undeveloped or have limited development, although some improvements may be provided which are incidental to the enjoyment of the property. Improvements are usually located in one section on the property so that the area remains largely undeveloped. Improvements may include parking areas, interpretive centers, and restrooms. Hunting may be a primary recreational activity in such areas. Other recreational uses might include backpacking, camping, trail use, picnicking, and bird watching.

Desirable size: Varies - depends on function Acres / 1,000 population: Varies - depends on function

Service Area: Varies - depends on function

#### GREENBELTS

The greenbelt has basically the same characteristics and functions as the reservation or preserve; however, a greenbelt may be used to shape urban development. It may be a buffer between an urban area and surrounding rural areas and may connect parks within an urban area.

Desirable size: Varies - depends on function Acres / 1,000 population: Varies - depends on function

Service Area: Varies - depends on function

#### WAYSIDES, WELCOME CENTERS, AND HISTORIC MARKERS

These are special purpose parks designed to serve motorists. They are important to a tourist industry as a means of providing rest and information. They may include restrooms, picnic areas, shelters, or other facilities needed by motorists. The size and location of special purpose parks depends upon natural features and the functions they are intended to serve. If oriented to motorists, traffic volumes must be considered.

Desirable size: Varies - depends on function Acres / 1,000 population: Varies - depends on function

Service Area: Varies - depends on function

#### B.2 PARK FACILITY GUIDELINES

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) recognizes the importance of establishing and using park and recreation guidelines The guidelines on the following pages are from Lancaster, R.A. (Ed.). (1990). Recreation, Park, and Open Space Standards and Guidelines. The data from Lancaster should be used as a rule of thumb to guide future park facility development rather then City policy. For example, while the guideline identifies a community should have one tennis court per 2,000 residents logic would dictate that facility supply be based on demand or locational needs. For example, placing eight tennis courts in one park to meet the one per 2,000 standard may not be as effective as dispersing 4 tennis courts in parks across the City. In addition, local demand may dictate higher or lower service standards depending on the popularity of tennis in the community.

In addition, the Lancaster publication does not include guidelines for all types of park facilities. For example, the guidelines for soccer facilities listed in the table are for regulation sized fields for high school or adult play and do not address youth soccer needs.

The information in the table may be more useful as guidelines for facility sizes and desired orientations than those sections addressing units per population or service radius.

ACTIVITY/ FACILITY	SPACE NEEDED	SIZE AND DIMENSIONS	RECOMMENDED ORIENTATION	UNITS PER POP.	SERVICE RADIUS	LOCATION NOTES
Basketball						
1. Youth	2400-3036 sq. ft.	46-50'x84'	Long axis north-south	1 per 1,000	¼ - ½ mile	Outdoor courts in neighborhood and community parks, plus active
2. High School	5040-7280 sq. ft.	50'x84'				recreation areas in other park settings.
Ice Hockey	22,000 sq. ft. including support area	Rink 85'x200' (minimum 85'x185') Additional 5000 sq. ft. support area	Long axis north-south if outdoor	Indoor – 1 per 100,000 Outdoor – depends on climate	½ - 1 hour travel time	Climate important consideration affecting no. of units. Best as part of multi-purpose facility.
Tennis	Min. of 7,200 sq. ft. single court (2 acres for complex)	36'x78'. 12' clearance on both sides; 21' clearance on both ends.	Long axis north –south	1 court per 2,000	¼ - ½ mile	Best in batteries of 2-4. Located in neighborhood/community park or adjacent to school.
Badminton	1,620 sq. ft.	Singles - 17'x44' Doubles - 20'x44'	Long axis north-south	1 per 5,000	¼ - ½ mile	Usually in school, recreation center or church facility. Safe walking or bike access.
Handball (3-4 wall)	800 sq. ft. for 4-wall. 1,000 sq. ft. for 3-wall.	20'x40' - maximum of 10' to rear of 3-wall court. Minimum 20' overhead clearance.	Long axis north-south. Front wall at north end.	1 per 20,000	15-30 minute travel time	4-wall usually indoor as part of multi- purpose facility. 3-wall usually outdoor in park or school setting.
Archery Range	Minimum of 0.65 A	300' length x minimum 10' wide between targets. Roped clear space on sides of range minimum 30', clear space behind targets minimum of 90'x45' with bunker.	Archer facing north= or - 45 degrees.	1 per 50,000	30 minutes travel time	Part of regional or metro park complex.
Combination Skeet and Trap Field (8 Stations)	Minimum 30 A	All walks and structures occur within an area approximately 130' wide by 115' deep. Minimum cleared area is contained within 2 superimposed segments with 100-yeard radii (4 acres). Shot fall danger zone is contained within 2 superimposed segments with 300-yard radii (36 acres).	Center line of length runs northeast-southwest with shooter facing northeast.	1 per 50,000	30 minutes travel time	Part of regional or metro park complex.
Volleyball	Minimum of 4,000 sq. ft.	30'X60'. Minimum 6' clearance on all sides	Long axis north-south	1 per 5,000	¼ - ½ mile	Same as other court activities (e.g. badminton)
Baseball						
1. Official	3.0-3.85 A minimum	Baselines – 90' Pitching distance 60 ½' foul lines – min. 320' Center field – 400'+	Locate home plate to pitcher throwing across sun and batter not facing	1 per 5,000		Part of neighborhood complex.
2. Little League	1.2 A minimum	Baselines – 60' Pitching distance – 46' Foul lines – 200' Center field – 200' – 250'	it. Line from home plate through pitchers mound run east-north-east.	Lighted 1 per 30,000	¼ - ½ mile	Lighted fields part of community complex.
Softball	1.5 to 2.0 A	Baselines – 60' Pitching distance- 46' (min. 40') Women -Fast pitch Radius from Plate – 225' between foul lines Slow Pitch – 275' (men) 250'	Same as baseball	1 per 5,000 (if also used for youth baseball)	¼ - ½ mile	Slight differences in dimensions for 16" slow pitch. May also be used for youth baseball.
Field Hockey	Minimum 1.5 A	180' x 300' with a minimum of 6' clearance on all sides.	Fall season – long axis northwest to southwest. For longer periods north- south.	1 per 20,000	15-30 minutes travel time	Usually part of baseball, football, soccer complex in community park or adjacent to high school.

ACTIVITY/ FACILITY	SPACE NEEDED	SIZE AND DIMENSIONS	RECOMMENDED ORIENTATION	UNITS PER POP.	SERVICE RADIUS	LOCATION NOTES		
Football	Minimum 1.5 A	160' x 360' with a minimum of 6' clearance on all sides.	Same as field hockey.	1 per 20,000	15-30 minutes travel time	Same as field hockey.		
Soccer	1.7 – 2.1 A	195' to 225'x330' to 360' with a minimum 10' clearance all sides.	Same as field hockey.	1 per 10,000	1-2 miles	Number of units depends on popularity. Youth soccer on smaller fields adjacent to schools or neighborhood parks.		
Swimming Pools		<i>Teaching</i> - minimum of 25 yards x 45' even depth of 3-4 ft.	None-although care must	1 per 20,000	15 to 30 minutes travel time			Pools for general community use should be planned for teaching,
	Varies on size of pool and amenities. Usually ½ to 2 A site.	Competitive – minimum of 25 m x 16 m. Minimum of 27 square feet of water surface per swimmer. Ratios of 2:1 deck vs. water.	U	(Pools should accommodate 3 to 5% of total population at a time.)		competitive and recreational purposes with enough depth (3.4m) to accommodate 1m and 3m diving boards. Located in community park or school site.		
Beach Areas	N/A	Beach area should have 50 sq. ft. of land and 50 sq. ft. of water per user. Turnover rate is 3. There should be 3-4 A supporting land per A of beach.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Should have sand bottom with slope maximum of 5% (flat preferable). Boating areas completely segregated from swimming areas.		
¼ Mile Running Track	4.3 A	Overall width – 276' Length – 600.02' Track width for 8 to 4 lanes is 32'.	Long axis in sector from north to south to north- west-south-east with finish line at northerly end.	1 per 20,000	15-30 minutes travel time	Usually part of high school, or in community park complex in combination with football, soccer, etc.		
Trails	N/A	Well defined trailhead maximum 10' width, maximum average grade is 5% not to exceed 15%. Capacity rural trails - 40 hikers/day/mile. Urban trails - 90 hikers/day/mile.	N/A	1 system per region	N/A			
Golf								
1. Par 3 (18 hole)	50-60 A	Average length vary 600- 2,700 yd.				18 hole course can accommodate 500- 550 people/day.		
2. 9-hole standard	Minimum 50 A	Average length –2,250 yards	Majority of holes on north- south axis	1 per 25,000	½ to 1 hour travel time	9 hole course can accommodate 350 people/day.		
3. 18-hole standard	Minimum 110 A	Average length 6,500 yards		1 per 50,000		Course may be located in community or district park, but should not be over 20 miles from population center.		
Golf-driving Range	13.5 A for minimum of 25 tees	900'x690' wide. Add 12' width for each additional tee.	Long axis south-west- northeast with golfer driving toward northeast.	1 per 50,000	30 minutes travel time.	Part of a golf course complex. As separate unit may be privately owned.		
Disc Golf*	One acre per 2-3 holes. Champtionship courses can require more than one acre per hole depending on foliage density.	Vary hole configurations for multiple skill levels. Fairways in the woods typically range from 15 ft wide pinch points up to 40 ft wide. Most holes contain at least two sets of tees.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Fairways should not cross or be too close to public streets, sidewalks or too near private property or other busy areas where non-players congregate.		
Skate Park**								
1. Concrete	1,500 square feet per							
2. Steel Frame	1,500 square feet per 10 skateboarders. Average size in region is	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
3. Portable & Wood	approx. 11,000 sq. ft.							

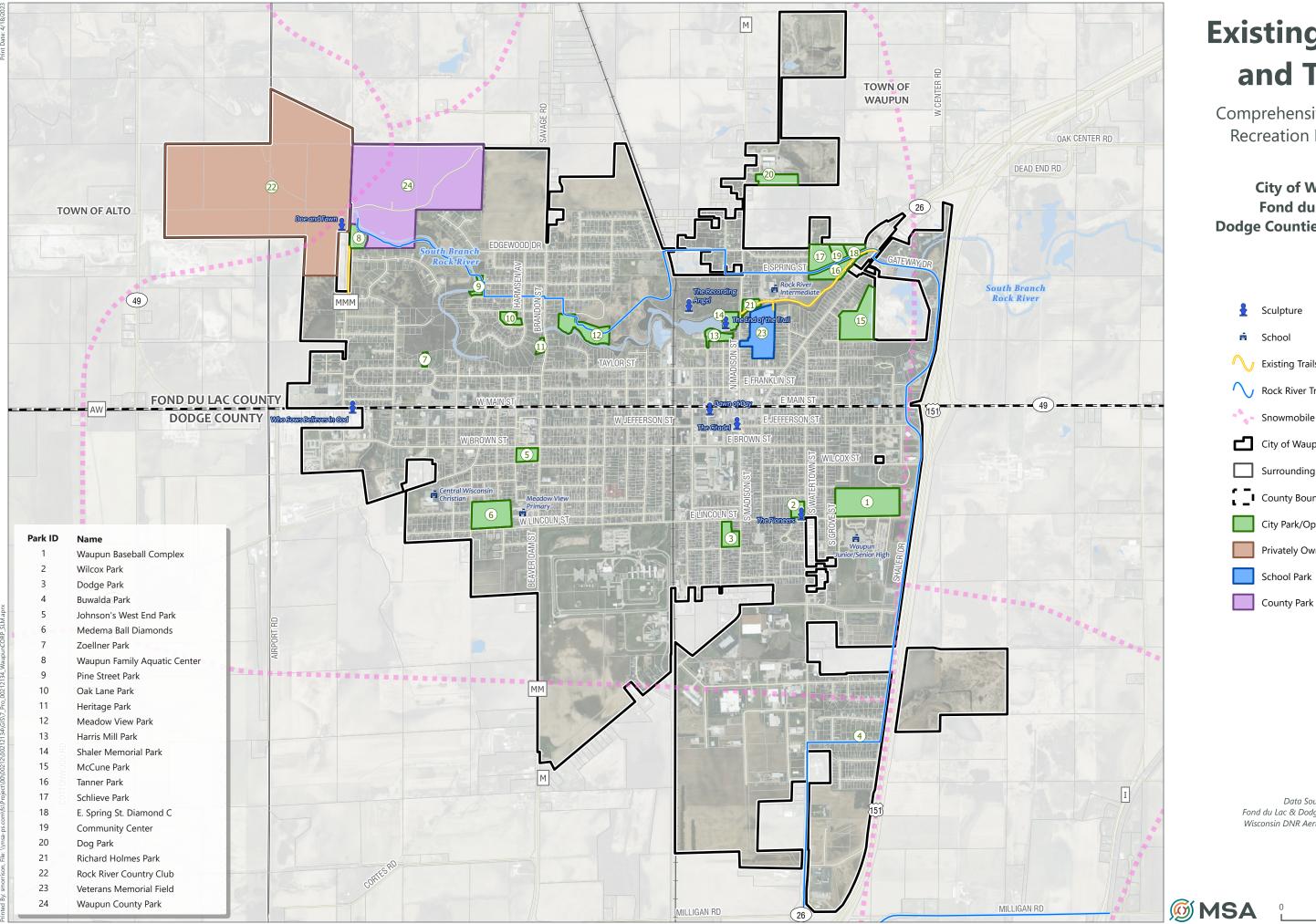
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# PARKS & RECREATION MAPS

C.1 Existing Parks and Trails C.2 Park Facilities Distribution C.3 Park Service Areas C.4 Proposed Parks and Trails

APPENDIX C // PARKS & RECREATION MAPS C-1



## **Existing Parks** and Trails

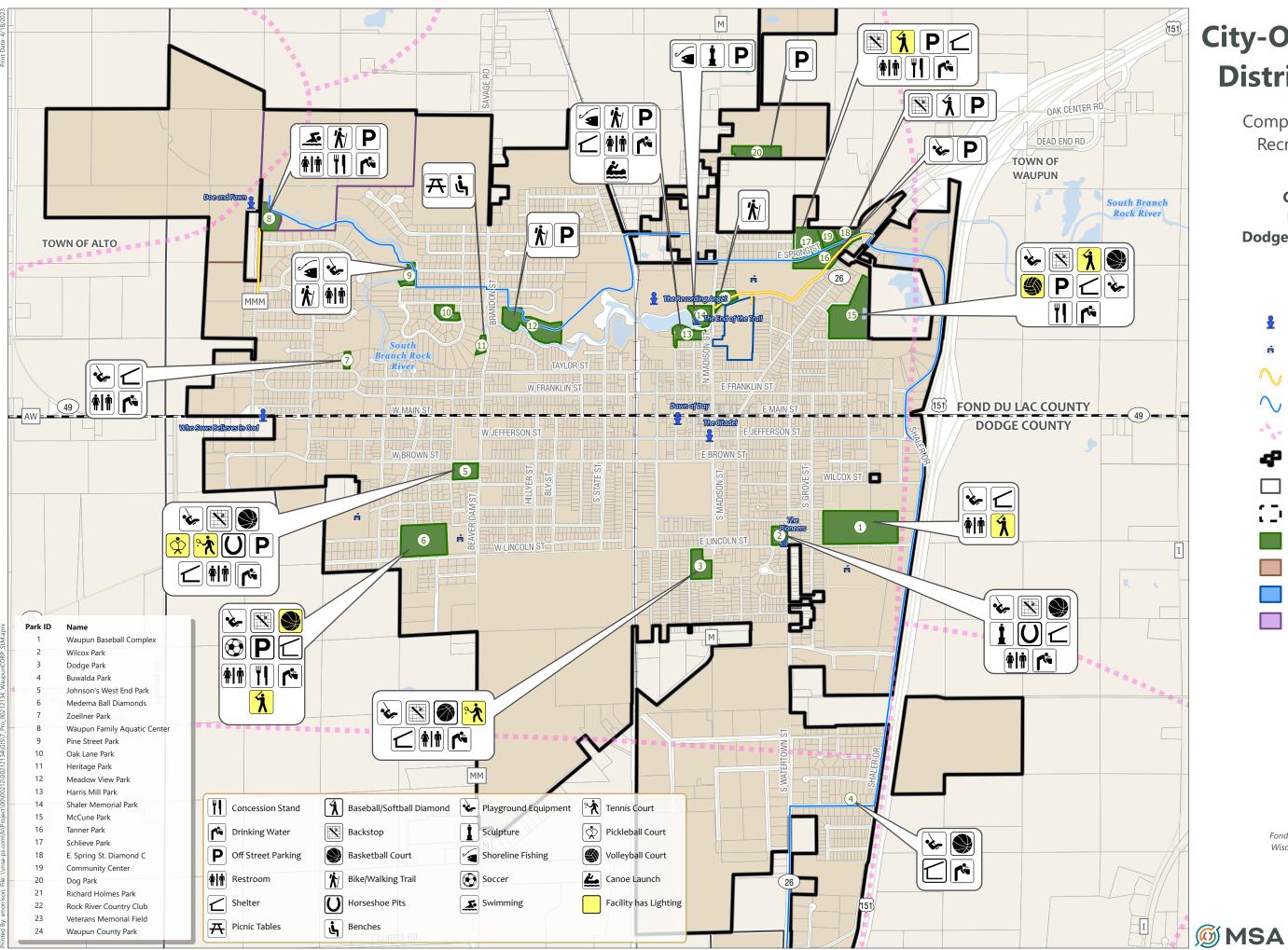
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**City of Waupun** Fond du Lac & Dodge Counties, Wisconsin

\$	Sculpture
é	School
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$\sim$	Rock River Trail
-	Snowmobile Trails (Approximate)
Ъ	City of Waupun
	Surrounding Municipal Boundary
0	County Boundary
	City Park/Open Space
	Privately Owned
	School Park

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### City-Owned Facility Distribution Map

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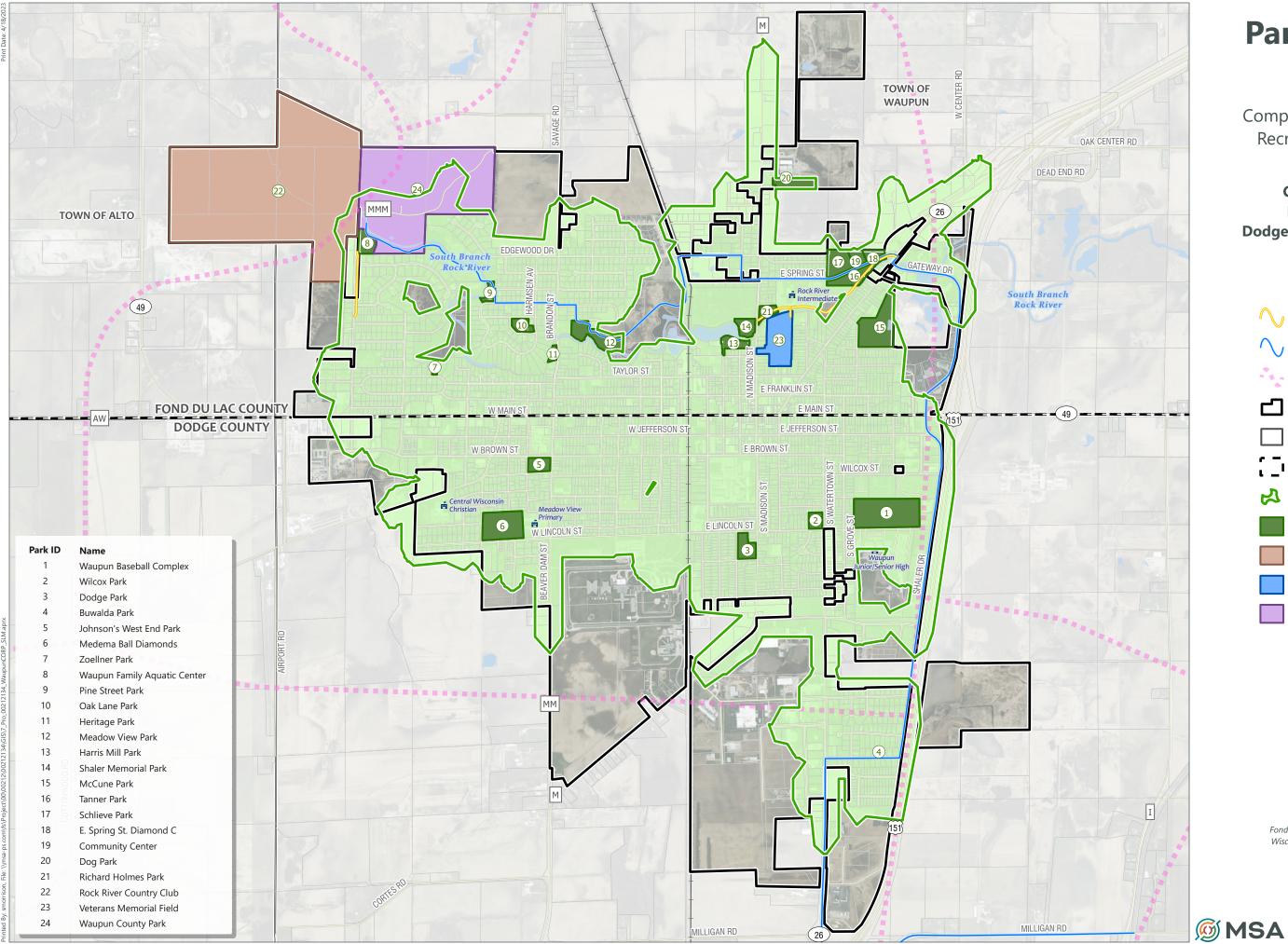
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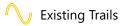




## Park Service Areas

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City of Waupun Fond du Lac & Dodge Counties, Wisconsin



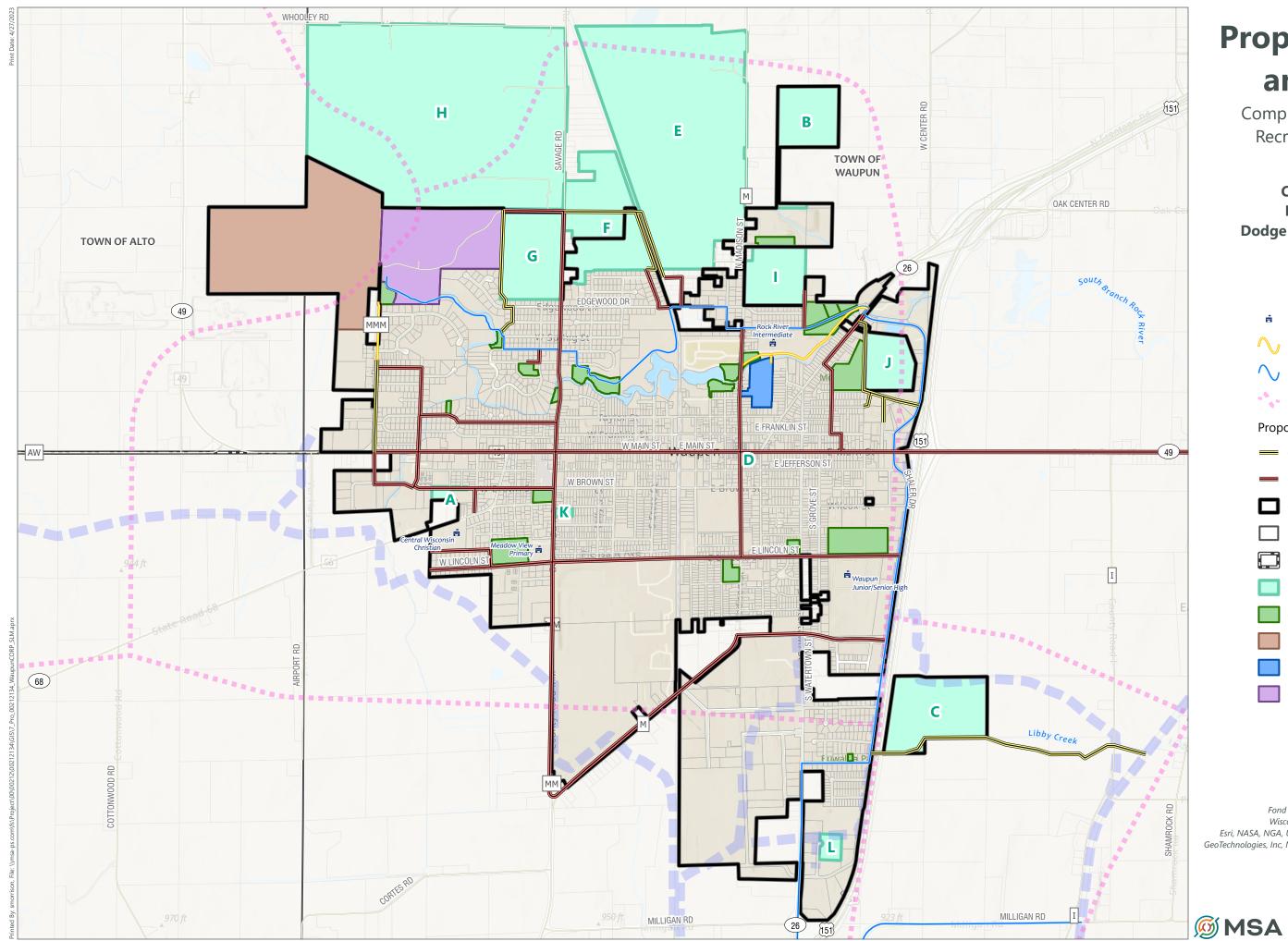
- ∧ Rock River Trail
  - Snowmobile Trails (Approximate)
- City of Waupun
- Surrounding Municipal Boundary
- County Boundary
- 10-Minute Walk Time to City Park
  - City Park/Open Space
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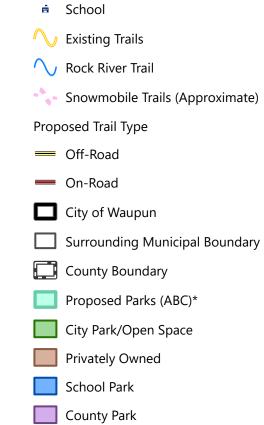




## Proposed Parks and Trails

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City of Waupun Fond du Lac & Dodge Counties, Wisconsin



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Appendix D:

# MCCUNE PARK MASTER PLAN

D.1 Master Plan D.2 Character Images D.3 Regional Trail Connectivity Plan D.4 Cost Estimates

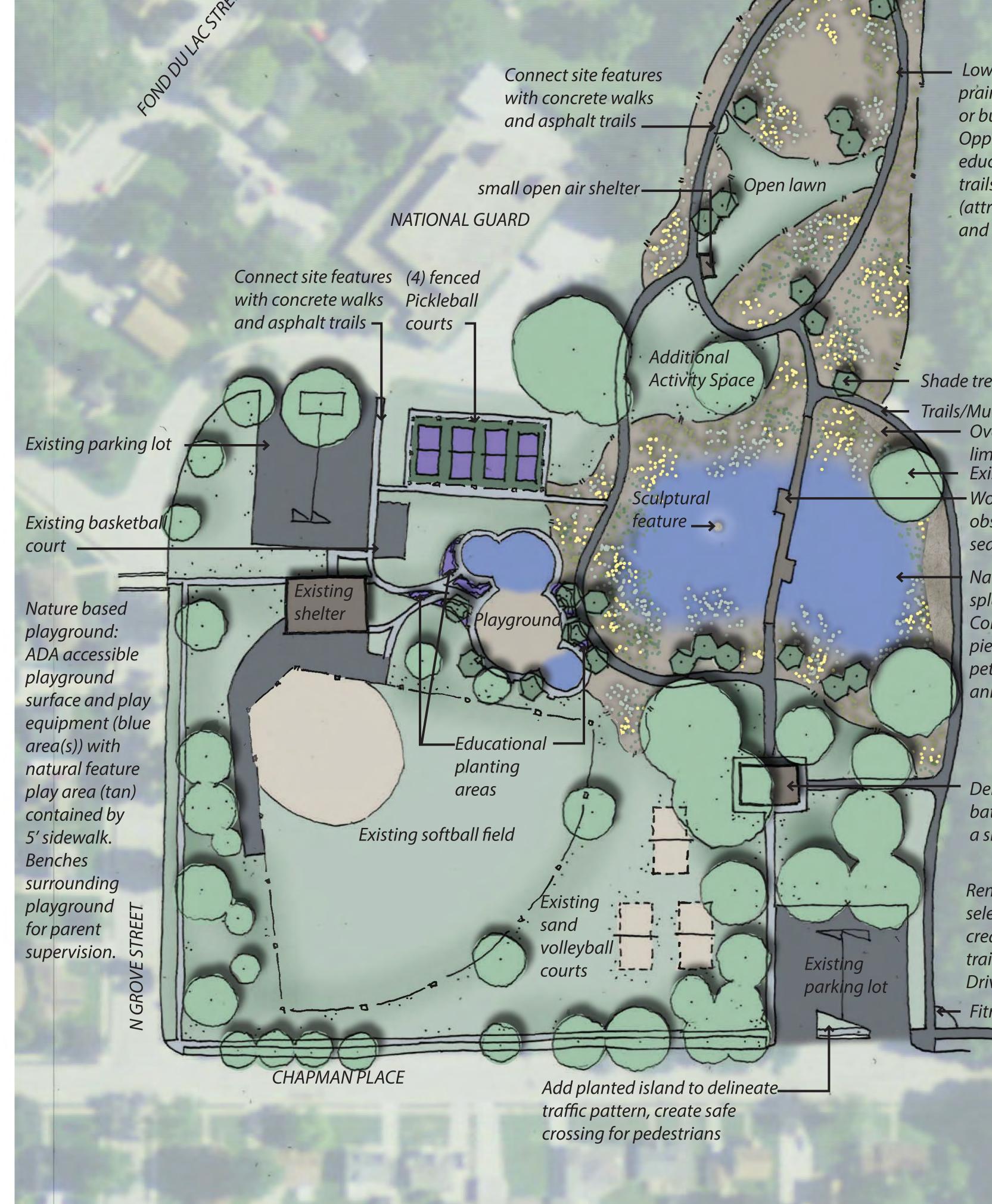
APPENDIX D // McCUNE PARK MASTER PLAN D-1

# **McCune Park**

## Master Plan

Waupun, Wisconsin January 10, 2017





Low growing prairie restoration and/ or butterfly garden. Opportunity: educational signage along trails. Wildlife habitat: (attract pollinators, birds and bat houses etc.)

### Shade trees, typical

Trails/Multi-use paths Overlook with railing at limestone edge Existing trees to remain Wood boardwalk with observation decks with benches/ seating opportunities

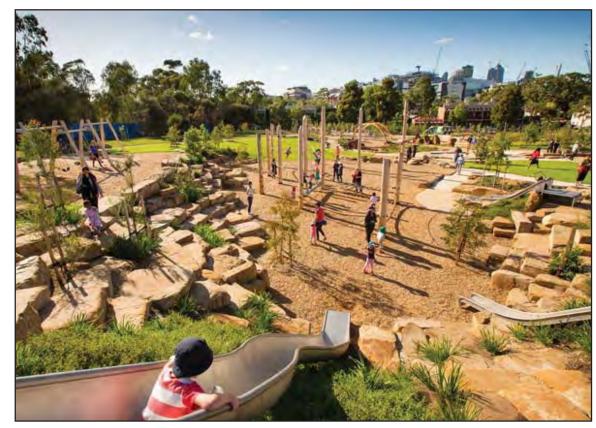
> Naturalized pond, maintain splash feature as a sculpture. Consider adding a sculptural piece with nature theme: flower petal, cattail, amphibian, bird, animal etc.

Demolish existing bathhouse, replace with a shelter and restrooms

Remove invasive species and selectively clean up woods to create a 6-8' wide looped mulch trails with connections to Gateway Drive, Pluim Drive and Park Street

# **McCune Park**

## Character Images



NATURE BASED PLAY USING TOPOGRAPHY



PICKLE BALL





SCULPTURAL FEATURE



SMALL OPEN AIR SHELTER



BOARDWALK



SCULPTURAL FEATURE

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (For future consideration)

THEMED NATURE BASED PLAY



FITNESS STATIONS



SHUFFLE BOARD COURT



EMBANKMENT SLIDES





PRAIRIE RESTORATION





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THEMED, NATURE BASED PLAY



ADA ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND FEATURES

ANIMAL HABITATS



OPEN AIR SHELTER WITH RESTROOMS

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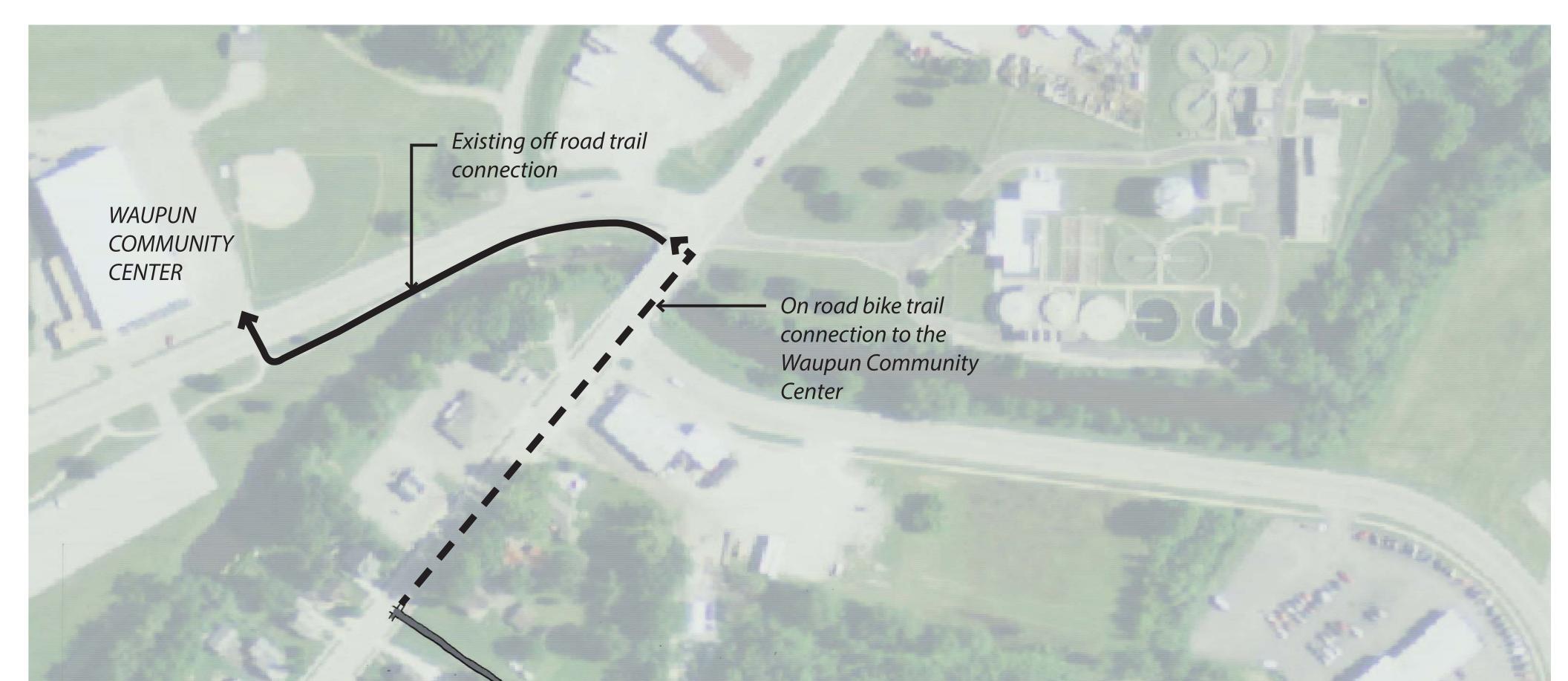


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# **McCune Park**

# Regional Trail Connectivity Plan

Waupun, Wisconsin January 10, 2017





Remove invasive species and selectively clean up woods to create a 6-8' wide looped mulch trails. Trail location is conceptual, a detailed inventory of existing trees and conditions will be necessary to site the final trail location.

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Fitness stations

Paved trail connections . to wooded mulch trail.

Future connection to Goose Lake State Trail

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ROOSEVELT STREET

PARK STREET

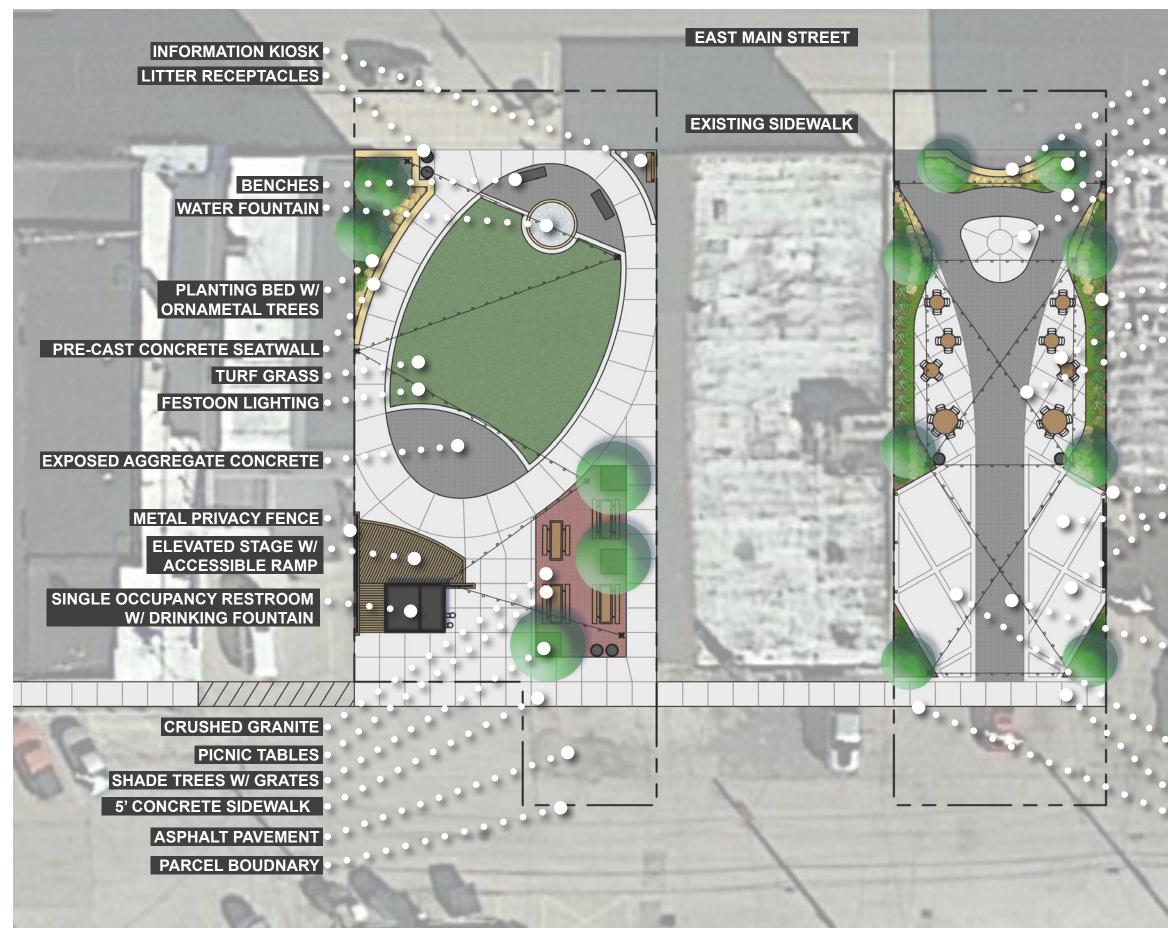
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Gener				_			
)	Mobilization, Bonds, and Insurance	1	LS	\$	150,000.00	\$	150,000.00
	Clearing and Grubbing	1	LS	\$	20,000.00	\$	20,000.00
	Traffic Control	1	LS	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00
	Erosion Control	1	LS	\$	20,000.00	\$	20,000.00
	Erosion Mat	2,850	SY	\$	3.50	\$	9,975.00
	Concrete Quality Control	1	LS	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00
)	Unclassified Excavation	1	LS	\$	60,000.00	\$	60,000.00
7	Temporary Fencing - Snow Fence	1	LS	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000.00
3	Remove Existing Bathhouse	1	LS	\$	10,000.00 <b>Subtotal</b>	\$ \$	10,000.00 <b>279,975.00</b>
arki	ng Lots				Subtotal	Ψ	219,915.00
)	Excavation Below Subgrade with Breaker Run and						
	Geogrid	75	CY	\$	35.00	\$	2,625.00
0	24-inch Concrete Curb and Gutter	135	LF	\$	15.00	\$	2,025.00
1	3.5-inch Asphaltic Concrete Pavement	10	TON	\$	120.00	\$	1,200.00
Dault	A moniting				Subtotal	\$	5,850.00
2 2	Amenities Standard Playground	1	LS	\$	120,000.00	\$	120,000.00
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6	Park Art	1	LS	\$	15,000.00	\$	15,000.00
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rails	and Park Area						,
7	4-inch Concrete Sidewalk with Granular Base	20,000	SF	\$	6.00	\$	120,000.00
8	Detectable Warning Fields	50	SF	\$	52.00	\$	2,600.00
9	2-inch Asphalt Path	600	TON	\$	100.00	\$	58,154.67
0	8-inch Crushed Aggregate Base - Asphalt Path	2,200	TON	\$	12.00	\$	12,923.20
1	6-inch Limestone Pathway	725	CY	\$	16.00	\$	11,600.00
2	Invasive removals/clean up	1	LS	\$	25,000.00	\$	25,000.00
3	Wood Boardwalk with Benches	1	LS	\$	325,000.00	\$	325,000.00
24	Railing	100	LF	\$	180.00	\$	18,000.00
25	Pedestrian Bridge	1	LS	\$	250,000.00	\$	250,000.00
Buildi	ησ				Subtotal	\$	823,277.93
26	Restrooms (2 unisex restrooms) with park shelter	1	LS	\$	240,000.00	\$	240,000.00
27	Park Shelter (Small)	1	LS	\$	60,000.00	\$	60,000.00
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Sport	Courts						
28	Pickle Ball (4 courts)	1	LS	\$	225,000.00	\$	225,000.00
29	Shuffle Board (2)	1	LS	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,000.00
anda					Subtotal	\$	235,000.00
Janus 30	caping Trees	24	EA	\$	500.00	\$	12,000.00
31	Landscape Beds	3,000	SF	\$	10.00	\$	30,000.00
2	Native Seed Mix	10,500	SY	\$	5.00	\$	52,500.00
3	Turf and Site Restoration	1	LS	\$	25,000.00	\$	25,000.00
C		-	2-2	Ŷ	Subtotal	\$	119,500.00
	urnishings						
34	Bench	8	EA	\$	1,500.00	\$	12,000.00
5	Park Picnic Table	3	EA	\$	2,200.00	\$	6,600.00
6	Pavilion Grill	2	EA	\$	1,200.00	\$	2,400.00
7	Trash Receptacle	8	EA	\$	1,500.00	\$	12,000.00
88	Recycling Receptacle	8	EA	\$	1,500.00	\$	12,000.00
s9	Bike Rack - Large	4	EA	\$	2,000.00	\$	8,000.00
10	Bike Rack - Small	1	EA	\$	700.00	\$	700.00
1	Additional: signage etc	1	LS	\$	13,700.00	\$	13,700.00
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## Appendix E:

# DOWNTOWN PLAZAS CONCEPT PLAN



### **Downtown Plazas**

**Concept Plan** 

Waupun, WI 12.22.2021 PRE-CAST CONCRETE SEATWALL ORNAMENTAL TREES EXPOSED AGGREGATE CONCRETE

ROTATING ART EXHIBITION SPACE

PLANTING BED PATIO SEATING SPACE FESTOON LIGHTING

BOLLARDS (5) FOOD TRUCK SPACE

11.5' DRIVE LANE

Scale

STANDARD CONCRETE W/ DECORATIVE JOINTING 5' CONCRETE SIDEWALK CONCRETE CURB





### AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

MEETING DATE: May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**TITLE:** Flooding concerns 736 Fern St.

AGENDA SECTION: Consideration/Action

PRESENTER: Jeff Daane

<b>DEPARMTENT GOAL(S) SUPPORTED</b> (if applicable)	FISCAL IMPACT		

#### **ISSUE SUMMARY**

Back In September 2022 Mr. Wojahn presented to the board about flooding issues his property has had the past few years. He was instructed to come back with an estimate to do the work. He has asked if the city could do the excavation portion of the project.

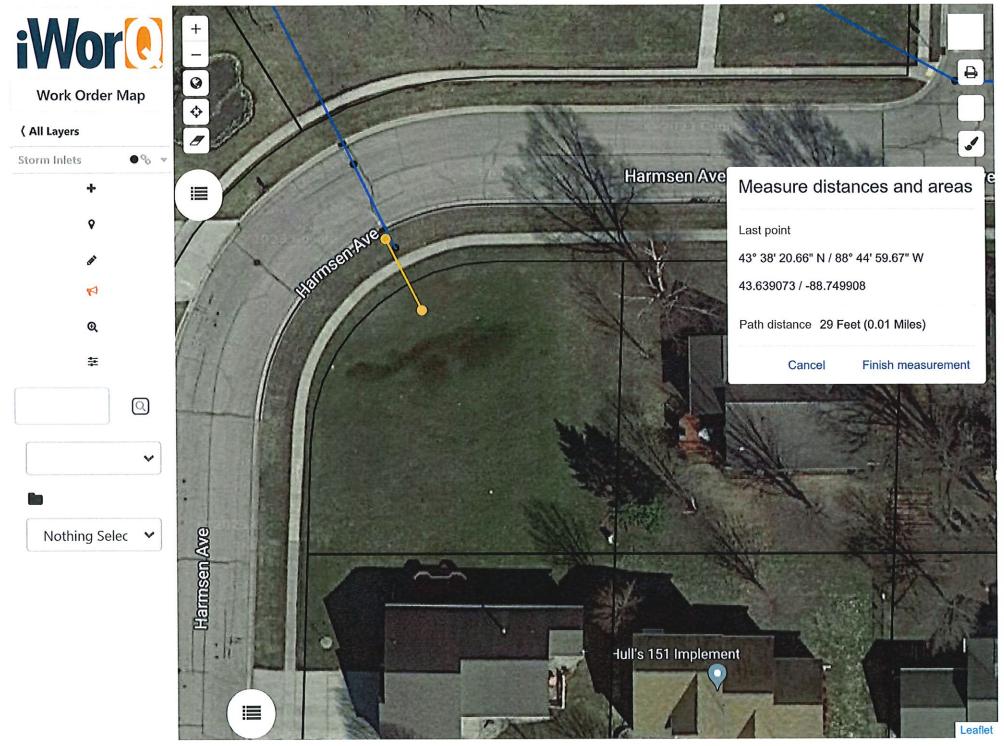
#### STAFF RECCOMENDATION:

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Proposal to install a yard drain

**RECOMENDED MOTION:** 

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### AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

MEETING DATE: May 9, 2023

TITLE: Community Garden location

AGENDA SECTION: Consideration/Action

PRESENTER: Jeff Daane

<b>DEPARMTENT GOAL(S) SUPPORTED</b> (if applicable)	FISCAL IMPACT		

#### **ISSUE SUMMARY**

The last few years the community garden was located on Shaler Dr. across from Heritage Ridge Travel Plaza. This needed to be relocated with new developments and the completion of Bayberry Ln.

Last year we moved this over to Moorman Dr. by the communication tower. Concerns that came from last year at the site bad soils, affects of growing under a communication tower and safety. We could bring in some compost and dirt to help with soil conditions. However after the community garden put a message it was clear that the other concerns were still going to keep residents from gardening at this location.

At the March Board of Public works and Facilities meeting 3 sites were brought forward. A site near Municipal Well and Pump, C- Baseball field on the East side of the Community Center and the Welch St. site. The board approved the Welch St. site unanimously.

At the April 18<sup>th</sup> Council meeting residents from the Welch St. neighborhood spoke to council about their concerns and provided council with a list of other possible location. Some of those concerns are Pesticides or other chemicals used, parking, not knowing who would be using the garden in the residential neighborhood, no water and no restrooms.

#### Vision Triangle at Maple and County Park

Odd shaped lot not as many plots would fit due to leaving an area open because of that vision triangle Residential neighborhood Not much parking No water No bathrooms

#### Westend Park

We already lack park space for residents Vandalism is real at the parks giving them more options with tomatoes and other garden produce to damage park bathrooms and shelters Residential neighborhood Hospital Has water-Not sure how this would be regulated as there are no available outside water spicket. If we run a hose out it be constant flow of water. Kids or anyone could turn it on and leave it on. Kids use this area for playing Park rentals use this area for kickball and wiffle ball Has parking

#### Dog Park

We already get complaints of not enough parking

Soils are bad, when we planted those trees we had to use a backhoe to dig the holes. They dug up concrete, blacktop and gravel

No bathrooms

Has possible water, we could run a hose, but again how would this be regulated, it could be left on for hours It is more of an open area that wouldn't affect as many people

#### Area between Taco Bell and Hotel

Owned by Summit Credit Union

#### Area off Shaler and Bayberry Ln

Bayberry Ln. is getting installed this year and the sites would be ready to build on later this summer Decent soil The area is getting busier and parking will start to be a bigger challenge No water No bathrooms

#### 1357 S. Watertown St. (Where the house was removed)

The driveway will need to come out soon as this site will only be able to be accessed from Bayberry Ln. Will be some work happening there in the near future demo of the barn and shed Probably good soil No water No bathrooms This would be a short term spot again as hopes are to have this site ready for development

#### Land in the Business park

Land is rented No water No bathrooms Good soils Not residential

#### **McCune Park**

City Park space is used for baseball and softball warm ups between games Vandalism with giving them more options to use in park bathrooms Would have to work with National Guard as I'm sure gardeners would park in their lot We have given the National Guard use of this spot in the past for helicopter landing and training Possible water from the old well that was used for the beach, not sure again how this would be regulated and not just left running Has bathrooms Doesn't affect as many residents

#### Oak Lane

This city park does not have equipment and is probably used the least It is in a residential neighborhood No bathrooms No water Good soils Has some street parking **STAFF RECCOMENDATION:** 

ATTACHMENTS:

**RECCOMENDED MOTION:**