

APPENDIX H

PARKS, OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN

City of College Place, Comprehensive Plan – Appendix H: Parks, Open Space & Recreation Plan



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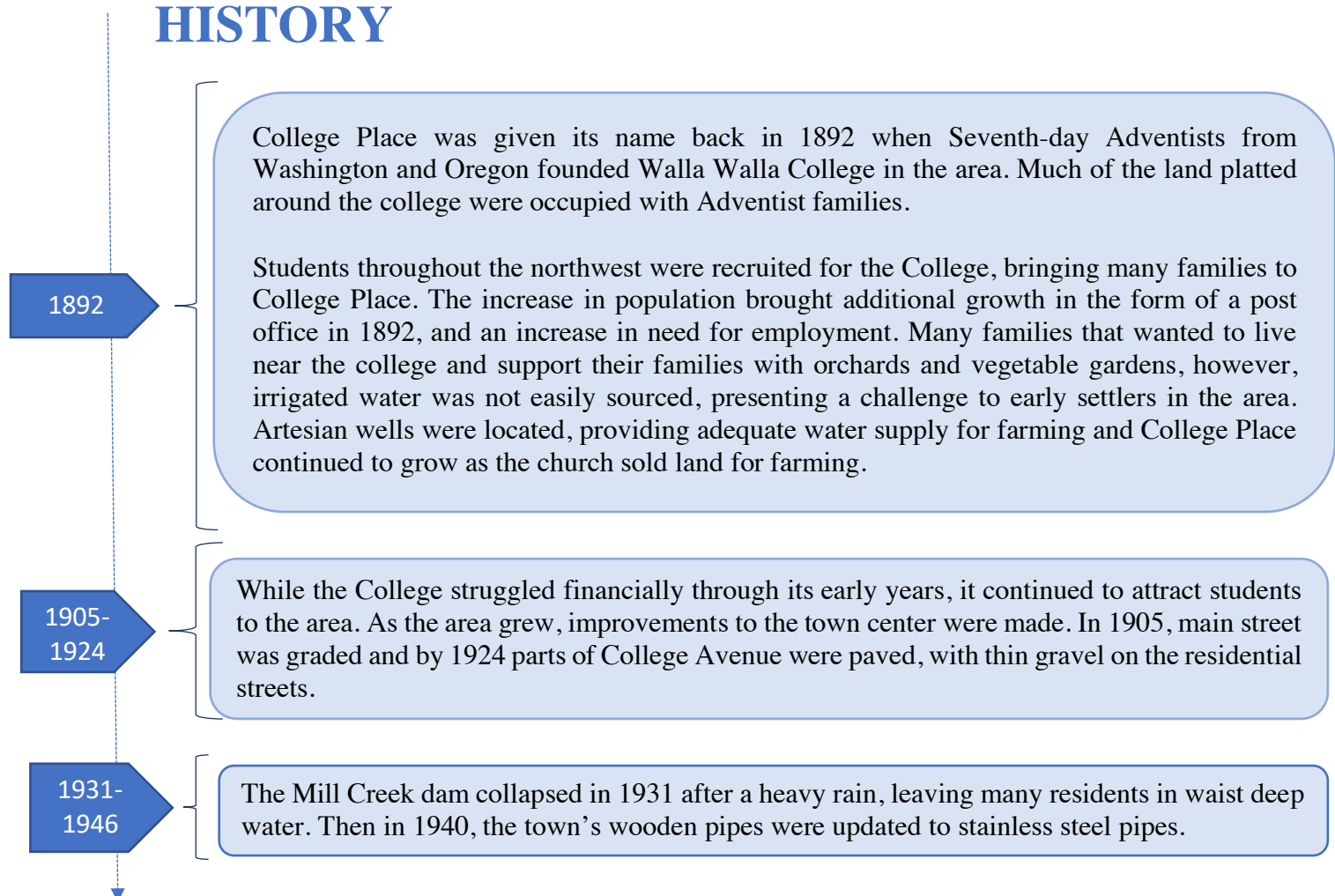
INTRODUCTION

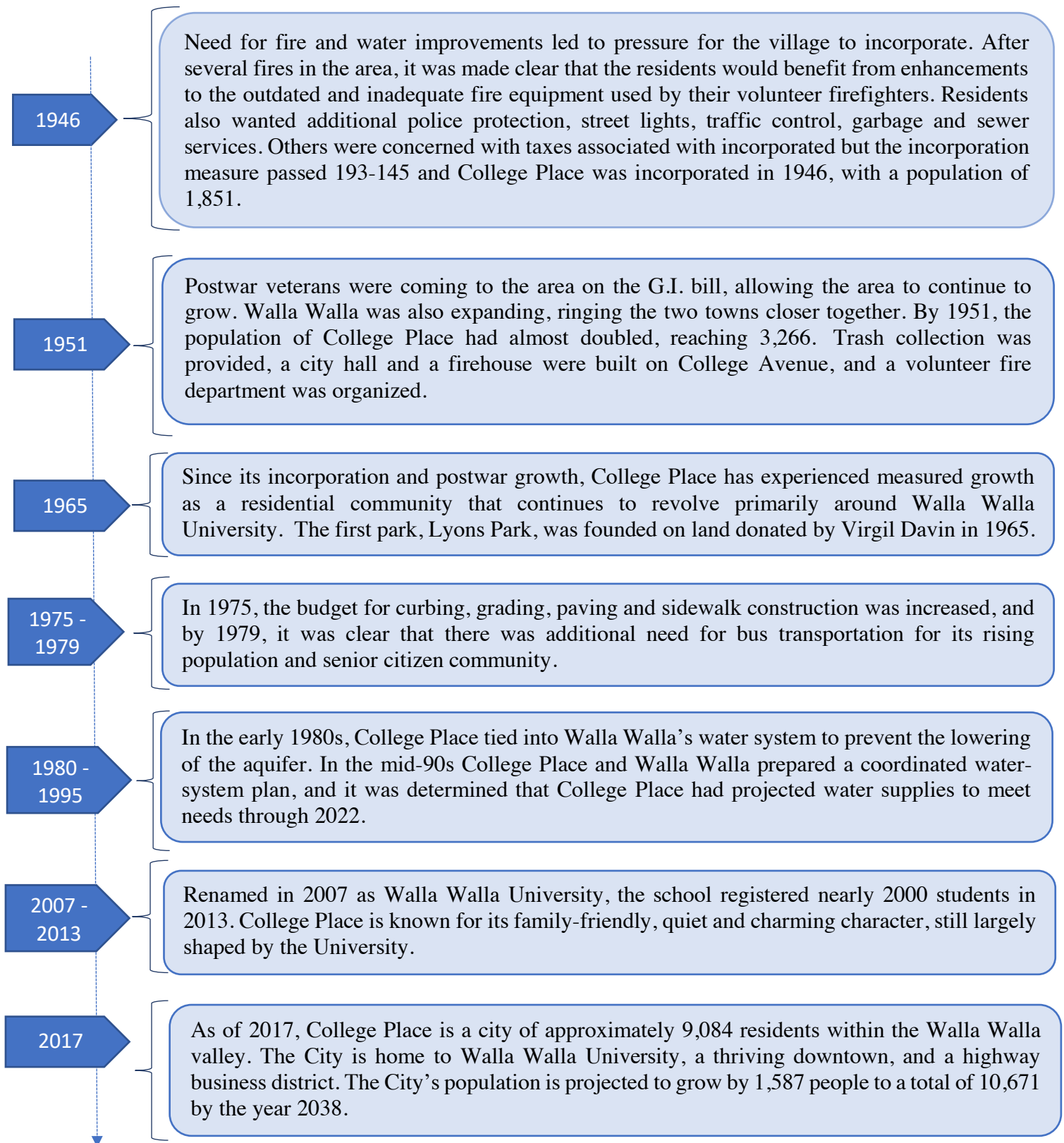
The City of College Place Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan has been developed in accordance with the provisions of the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA) and is consistent with the requirements of the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for funding eligibility. The content has been determined by the nature, location and size of existing park, recreation, open space and trail/bikeway facilities in the vicinity.

The City has a history of involving its citizens in park planning processes. Individuals and organizations in participation with the City have been responsible for acquisition and development of the community's park and recreation resources. This type of public/private involvement will continue to be an important source of park and open space development within the City.

This plan provides a thorough update of the previous 2014 College Place Park and Open Space Plan as part of the 2018 Comprehensive Plan update cycle.

HISTORY





COMMUNITY PROFILE

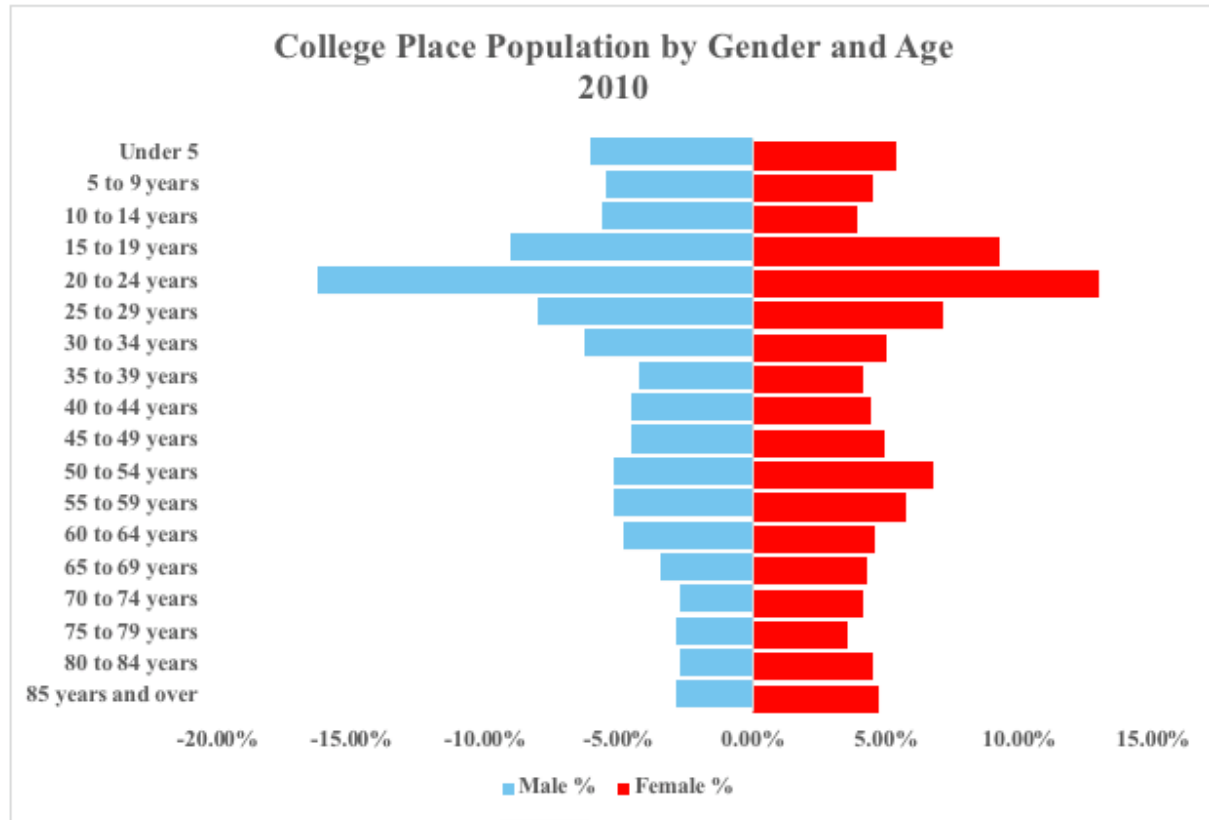
The community profile for the City of College Place includes data summaries from the US Census Bureau, including: household size, population, income, industry, race and ethnicity and educational attainment. The data is provided for the years 2000, 2010, 2017 and are projected for 2022.

Planning for the future is made easier when a city can analyze changes and make projections based on demographic information collected over more than a decade. US Census Bureau data is used to understand the needs of the community and to help plan for future park and recreation facility needs as the population changes and grows over time.

The source for all data included in the community profile is: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010 Summary File 1. Esri forecasts for 2017 and 2022 Esri converted Census 2000 data into 2010 geography.



2000 – 2022 POPULATION DATA	
Year	Total
2000 Population	7,855
2010 Population	8,770
2017 Population	9,084
2022 Projected Population	9,294



2010 - 2022 POPULATION BY RACE/ETHNICITY					
Year	Total	White Alone	Black Alone	Asian Alone	Hispanic Origin
2010	8,770	85.6%	1.6%	1.9%	18.5%
2017	9,082	83.5%	1.6%	2.1%	22.5%
2022	9,293	82.2%	1.7%	2.3%	25.2%

2017 POPULATION 25+ BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT	
Educational Attainment	% of 5,748
Less than 9 th grade	7.4%
9 th – 12 th grade, no diploma	3.3%
High school graduate	9.4%
GED/Alternative credential	7.2%
Some college, no degree	23.9%
Associate degree	16.4%
Bachelor's degree	17.5%
Graduate/Professional degree	14.9%

2017 EMPLOYED POPULATION 16+ BY INDUSTRY	
Industry	% of 4,459
Agriculture/Mining	5.5%
Construction	3.9%
Manufacturing	5.6%
Wholesale Trade	2.2%
Retail Trade	13.8%
Transportation/Utilities	1.1%
Information	2.4%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	3.5%
Services	59.4%
Public Administration	2.5%

2010 HOUSEHOLD BY SIZE (3,525 TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS)	
1 Person Household	32.1%
2 Person Household	38.1%
3 Person Household	12.9%
4 Person Household	9.6%
5 Person Household	4.7%
6 Person Household	1.7%
7+ Person Household	0.9%

2000 – 2022 HOUSEHOLD SUMMARY DATA			
2000 Total Households	2,926	2000 Avg. Household Size	2.34
2010 Total Households	3,525	2010 Avg. Household Size	2.26
2017 Total Households	3,601	2017 Avg. Household Size	2.28
2022 Projected Total Households	3,680	2022 Projected Avg. Household Size	2.29

2000 – 2022 HOUSING UNIT SUMMARY DATA				
Year	Total Housing Units	Owner Occupied	Renter Occupied	Vacant Housing Units
2000	3,141	54.9%	38.3%	6.8%
2010	3,766	51.4%	42.2%	6.4%
2017	3,833	51.1%	42.8%	6.1%
2022	3,907	51.5%	42.6%	5.8%

2017 – 2022 COMMUNITY PROFILE SUMMARY DATA				
Year	Median Household Income	Median Home Value	Per Capita Income	Median Age
2017	\$48,082	\$230,503	\$26,167	34.3
2022	\$52,280	\$290,346	\$29,573	35.6

PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN PURPOSE

This plan guides the maintenance and improvement of College Place natural areas, parks, trails and related facilities in order to better accommodate the needs of citizens and visitors. An updated Parks Plan, developed with public input, is essential in obtaining money to fund, maintain and prioritize park and natural resource projects.

Parks and open space provide many benefits to a community, coming in the form of both physical and mental health. Not only are they aesthetically pleasing, but they provide space for family gatherings, recreation and solace. Due to the high value of parks, it is important for communities to ensure that they are meeting the needs of its residents. An important way to achieve this in both the short and long term is to develop a parks, recreation and open space plan. The plan sets priorities based on community input, population demands for the future, and develops strategies for funding and implementation for key projects. The plan is a road map to accomplish what matters most to the community and makes the steps for developing new facilities and enhancing amenities possible.

This Park Plan is divided into sections:

- Goals and policies
- Public participation
- Needs assessment
- Inventory of current facilities
- An overview of local and regional parks and recreation facilities
- General recommendations

The goals, policies, and recommendations are intended to provide direction covering a 20-year horizon, covering both short and long-term objectives to meet the needs of the community.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT


Project Outreach Timeline And Events

- **Park, Arbor and Recreation Board Meetings:**
 - September 29, 2017
 - October 27, 2017
 - December 1, 2017
 - December 29, 2017
 - January 26, 2018
 - February 23, 2018
 - March 30, 2018
 - April 27, 2018
 - May 25, 2018
- **City of College Place Parks Planning Open House**
 - February 15, 2018



Parks and Recreation Public Survey

An online survey was developed to find out additional information from the public regarding their preferences and priorities for enhancements to park amenities and facilities. The survey results were used to develop park project priorities and to gauge interest in new park features, and to shape the goals and policies of this plan.



City of College Place, Parks and Recreation Survey

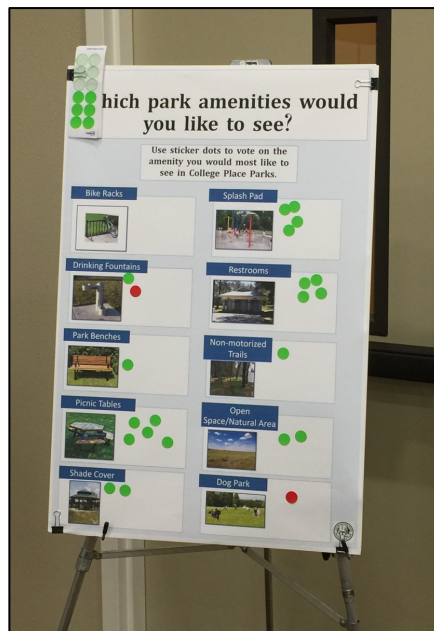
The City of College Place can use your help updating its 2018 Parks and Open Space Plan. The Plan is a guide used to promote the development and maintenance of the City's natural areas, parks and trails. An updated parks plan, developed with public input, is essential to help the City prioritize park projects and allocate resources.

Help us make the most of College Place parks! Please fill out this survey to provide your input in the City's 2018 Parks and Open Space Plan. Please complete the survey by January 31, 2018. Thank you!

OK

The survey was promoted via the City's website, City Hall reader board, social media outlets, and the City newsletter, which is distributed in utility billings. Promotional flyers, describing the

purpose and importance of the survey were distributed at community events. Additionally, the survey was distributed in paper form individuals without online access at the City's public open house, and at City Hall.



In total, between December 2017 and March, 2018, 109 completed surveys were collected and analyzed to inform the development of the park and recreation plan. The survey was designed to be concise and informative to the City's planning process. With 14 questions, the survey took respondents approximately 5 minutes to complete. With many Spanish speaking residents in College Place, the City made sure to have a translator onsite at the public open house to help communicate survey results, gather feedback, and communicate park planning document summaries.

Preliminary results of the survey were displayed at the public open house for review and comment. Surveys were made available online and in paper format for those interested.

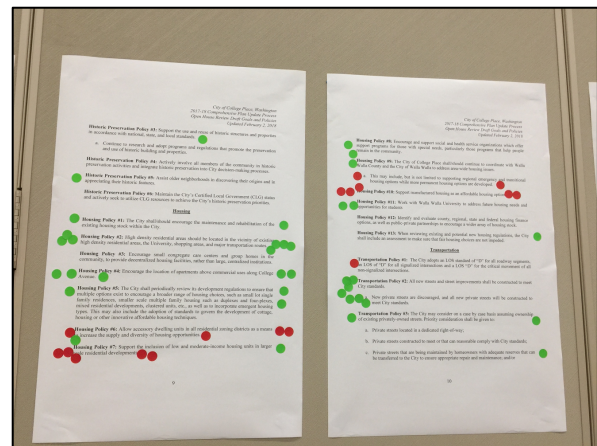
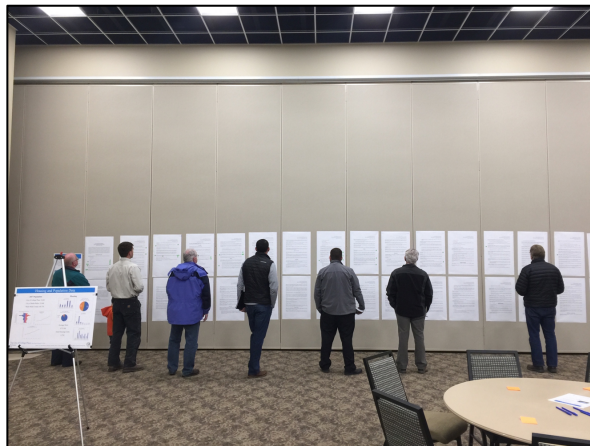
A complete summary of the park and recreation online survey results is located in the Appendix. The complete Public Participation Program Summary is located in the Appendix.

Open Public Meetings

In the early stages of the parks plan development, a public participation program was drafted to ensure that the public would have ample opportunity to engage in the park and recreation planning process. The program included a complete list of the number of open public meetings that would be promoted via the City's website, newsletter and social media outlets. Meetings of the City management team, the Planning Commission, City Council and the Parks, Arbor and Recreation Board comprised the list of meetings announced to residents of College Place for participation.

Outreach Materials and Events

Informational materials were made available for distribution to the public and to be used in conjunction with public displays at local community events. A flyer was developed to inform the public about the park planning process and to promote both the park and recreation survey and the public open house. The open house event was hosted at the SonBridge Community Center on the evening of February 15, 2017.



Participants of the open house were given the opportunity to review and vote on the draft goals and policies for the parks plan with sticker dots. Green dots were used to indicate support of the goals and policies and red dots indicated concern. Votes were tallied and comments summarized for review and discussion by the Parks, Arbor and Recreation Board after the open house. Additionally, participants were asked to vote on specific amenities and park and recreation features that were highlighted as priorities by the community from the park and recreation survey.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

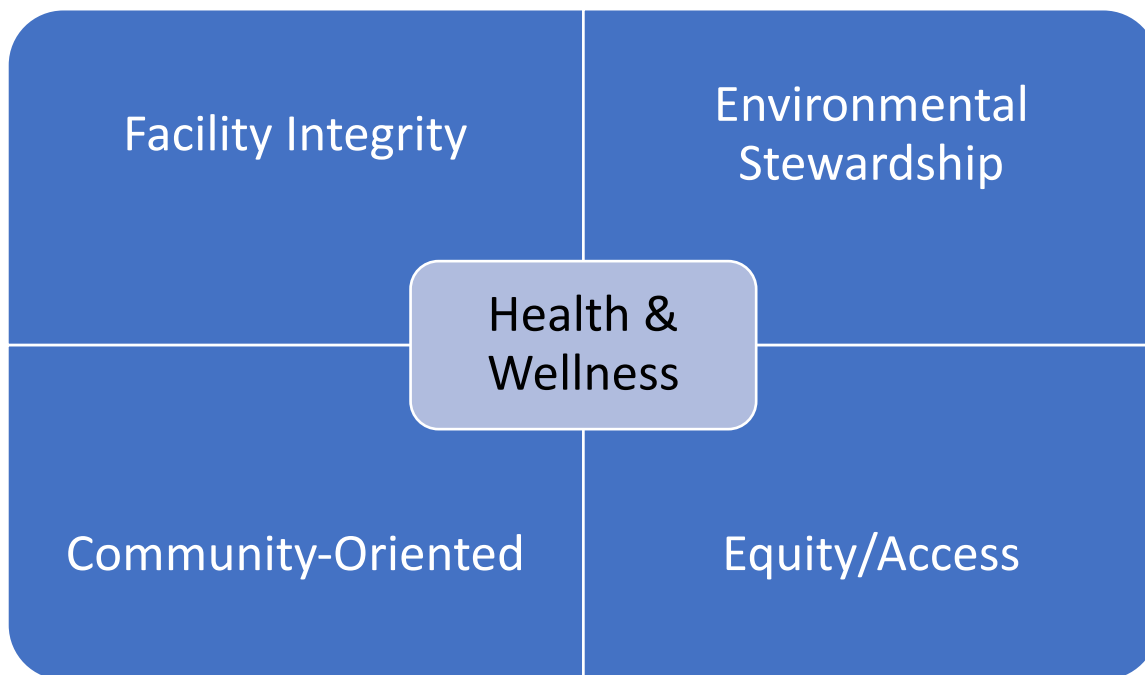
Goals, policies, and objectives form the heart of the parks plan.

For plans to be effective, they need to contain clear statements about what the community seeks to achieve for its future. They also must contain clear statements about how the community intends to move towards its desired future.

- **Goals** are statement about the community’s desired future. They are ideals that may be difficult to obtain, but they state the direction the community desires to head.
- **Objectives** are statements about realistic, achievable, and measureable steps toward reaching the goals.
- **Policies** are specific statements guiding actions and implying a clear commitment to these actions. They become the basis on which decisions will be made.

CORE VALUES

The goals and objectives are categorized into the following core values that represent the essential ingredients to support the community’s vision for a vibrant, family-oriented city that enhances the quality of life for all its residents.



General Policy: Maintain a comprehensive Park and Recreation Plan, meeting the standards of the Recreation and Conservation Office by updating and gaining certification of the Plan as needed in conjunction with the review of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Equity and Access Goals

Goal EA-1: Provide for a broad public and private park and recreation plan and system meeting the needs of all age and income groups within the community.	
Goal EA-2: Support a healthy community in which everyone has access to community resources and services.	
Goal EA-3: Provide barrier-free (ADA compliant) access, where readily available, by modifying existing facilities or when designing or constructing new facilities.	
Policies	Policy EA-1: Provide for voluntary payment of fees in lieu of dedication to provide adequate open space for specific neighborhoods throughout the City. Explore feasibility of an impact fee program.
	Policy EA-2: Pursue the standard that every City resident <i>should</i> be within one-half mile of a neighborhood park or within 1 mile of a community park facility. Stress the acquisition and development of 5 - 10-acre parks to meet the standards set in the City's Park's level of service standards. Trails are to be provided at a standard of .3 of a mile for every 1,000 people.
	Policy EA-3: Locate neighborhood parks in conjunction with new subdivisions and, as opportunities arise, in those areas of the City that may not be immediately accessible to community parks, ensuring that City level of service standards are met.
	Policy EA-4: Non-motorized trails should be developed as multi-use trails to accommodate a variety of users, including pedestrians and bicyclists.
	Policy EA-5: Explore opportunities for acquiring park land on the west side of town and north of Whitman Drive to provide additional recreational opportunities access and improving the City's parks level of service standard for all College Place residents.
	Policy EA-6: Actively explore funding opportunities for further park acquisition to diversify the recreational opportunities in College Place.

Community-Oriented Goals

Goal CO-1: Ensure the ongoing involvement of community residents in the park planning process.	
Goal CO-2: Establish and maintain a shared vision with local institutions of higher education, the Adventist school system, and the public school district for serving the College Place community.	
Goal CO-3: Promote a family-friendly, community-oriented city that provides residents and visitors with a sense of place and engagement.	
Policies	Policy CO-1: The City, Institutions of Higher Education, Adventist school system, and the Public School District should meet periodically to discuss matters of mutual interest and concerns and to coordinate joint parks planning and development activities.
	Policy CO-2: The City, Institutions of Higher Education, Adventist school system, and the Public School District should continue to explore mutually beneficial strategies for the shared of joint use of facilities.
	Policy CO-3: Encourage volunteer citizen groups, developers and other partners in the development and implementation of park and recreation programs.
	Policy CO-4: Promote unique community events and gatherings to bring people together and to foster a sense of place in the city.

Environmental Stewardship Goals

Goal ES-1: Preserve and protect the environmental integrity of College Place natural assets.	
Policies	Policy ES-1: The small streams passing through the city are an important visual and environmental asset which should be preserved and enhanced by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Using open space dedications when required for a development proposal on properties containing a creek to acquire creek frontage and access; b. Protect streams from unauthorized channelization, loss of bank vegetation and other actions that may adversely impact the stream corridor.
	Policy ES-2: As feasible, promote recycling at all College Place parks and recreation facilities.
	Policy ES-3: Remove invasive vegetation within parks, open spaces and sensitive areas by incorporating weed management protocols into maintenance plans and by working with native plants.
	Policy ES-4: Give priority consideration for use of environmentally friendly material in the design and development of existing and new parks.

	Policy ES-5: Engage with volunteer organizations and nonprofits to promote the stewardship of sensitive areas, parks, and trails.
	Policy ES-6: Maintain Tree City USA status.

Health and Wellness Goals

Goal HW-1: Promote health and well-being of College Place residents through the development and improvement of non-motorized transportation networks to promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles.	
Goal HW-2: Explore opportunities for recreational programming and/or potential for a shared use agreement with the City of Walla Walla Parks and Recreation, College Place schools, and the Adventist school system.	
Goal HW-3: Promote the use of City parks and recreation facilities.	
Policies	Policy HW-1: Support bicycle-oriented infrastructure within and adjacent to College Place parks and transportation systems.
	Policy HW-2: As funds become available continue the bike path through the City of College Place from Larch Avenue and 12 th Street to the City limits on Whitman Drive.
	Policy HW-3: The City should continue to explore opportunities to acquire easements along stream corridors to provide recreational trail access.
	Policy HW-4: Prioritize pedestrian and bicycle trail routes and plans identified in the Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan and seek funding to implement.
	Policy HW-5: Develop a trail connectivity plan to improve non-motorized trail access and connectivity throughout the local trail network.
	Policy HW-6: Ensure bicycle signage is consistent with the City's wayfinding signage standards.
	Policy HW-7: Explore the feasibility of establishing youth/adult recreation programs in College Place. Action: Explore the feasibility of establishing a fee structure for 18 and over adult recreational programming.
	Policy HW-8: The City shall continue to identify opportunities and execute agreements for the shared use of parks and recreation facilities.
	Policy HW-9: Explore the development and land acquisition opportunities for the development of a large sports complex to host regional and local recreational events.
	Policy HW-10: Stress advertising of park facilities and activities. Action: Develop promotional materials, including maps and brochures to highlight local park, trail, and recreational areas and facilities.

Facility Integrity Goals

Goal FI-1: Maintain vibrant park amenities and facility integrity while reducing operating maintenance costs and improving operating efficiencies.	
Goal FI-2: Explore grant opportunities to upgrade and improve College Place parks and recreational facilities.	
Goal FI-3: Develop and implement regularly scheduled routine and preventative maintenance programs to ensure effective use of maintenance resources.	
Goal FI-4: Create and leverage economic development opportunities for local park systems.	
Policies	Policy FI-1: Prioritize park improvements and identify a source of funds, both for large projects and small maintenance type works, by preparing and maintaining a current Capital Improvement Program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Renovations should be accomplished in a manner that allows a minimum opportunity for vandalism. b. When appropriate minimize maintenance and park requirements. c. Maintain adequate drainage and irrigation of park lands.
	Policy FI-2: Apply for funding through the Recreation and Conservation Office grant opportunities to update Lion's Park recreational amenities and facilities.
	Policy FI-3: Minimize the development of pocket parks (less than 2 acres) unless a neighborhood association, nonprofit organization, or a volunteer group is deemed responsible for the maintenance.
	Policy FI-4: Explore the development of establishing a pricing strategy and fee structure for rented facilities that aligns with comparable market rates and supports costs recovery of maintenance and operations costs.
	Policy FI-5: Develop a maintenance plan for every park and facility.
	Policy FI-6: The Parks, Recreation and Arbor Board should meet periodically with the City's Economic Development Commission to coordinate efforts and to ensure consistent goals and priorities.
	Policy FI-7: Develop design standards for park signage, using Kiwanis Park sign as the standard for design.

PARK CLASSIFICATION

To provide the community with a diverse array of parks, the City strives to offer multiple types of parks, open space and recreational facilities.

Neighborhood Park

Neighborhood parks are typically 5-10 acres in size and aim to serve the residents within the immediate neighborhood, within a ½ mile radius. Amenities often include children's playground equipment, open grassy space, walking paths, benches and gathering space, small facilities for active recreation and possibly restrooms and off-street parking.

Community Park

Community parks are typically between 10-20 acres. These parks are often the most visited, serving neighborhoods from 2-5 miles away. Most visitors to community parks drive to get there, requiring more extensive parking amenities. Community parks are often used for programed recreational activities, and offer athletic fields, trails, group picnic shelters, children's play areas, splash pads, skate parks, fishing piers, and natural areas. Due to the added amenities available in a community park, they require restroom and maintenance facilities as well.

Mini (Pocket) Park

Pocket or mini parks are small parks on public or private land that offer fewer amenities, sometimes a unique feature such as art. Due to their limited size, they are not able to offer a wide variety of recreational opportunities, but still require maintenance and operational costs, so the City is not actively pursuing the development of mini parks within its park system. They are often included in private subdivisions as a feature for that neighborhood and can be run by volunteer organizations within the community.

Special Use Park

A special use park is commonly developed for a specific use, such as a boat ramp, zoo, etc. There is not a size limitation for these parks, as each one is unique and depends on the circumstances.

Trails

Trails can be grade separated, offering scenic pathways to connect parks and other city destinations, they can include bike paths, sidewalks, pathways in parks and larger regional trail networks. This plan incorporates the priorities and projects recommended in the Blue Mountain Regional Trail Plan. The City aims to provide a fully connected, accessible trail system to the citizens of College Place.

Open Space/Natural Area

Natural areas are often protected open space with opportunities for birding, passive recreation and environmental education. These sites often feature sensitive environmental land such as wetlands, streams, steep slopes and wildlife habitat. These sites may include features such as walking paths, benches, viewing platforms, interpretative signage, parking lots and restrooms.

PARK OVERVIEW AND INVENTORY

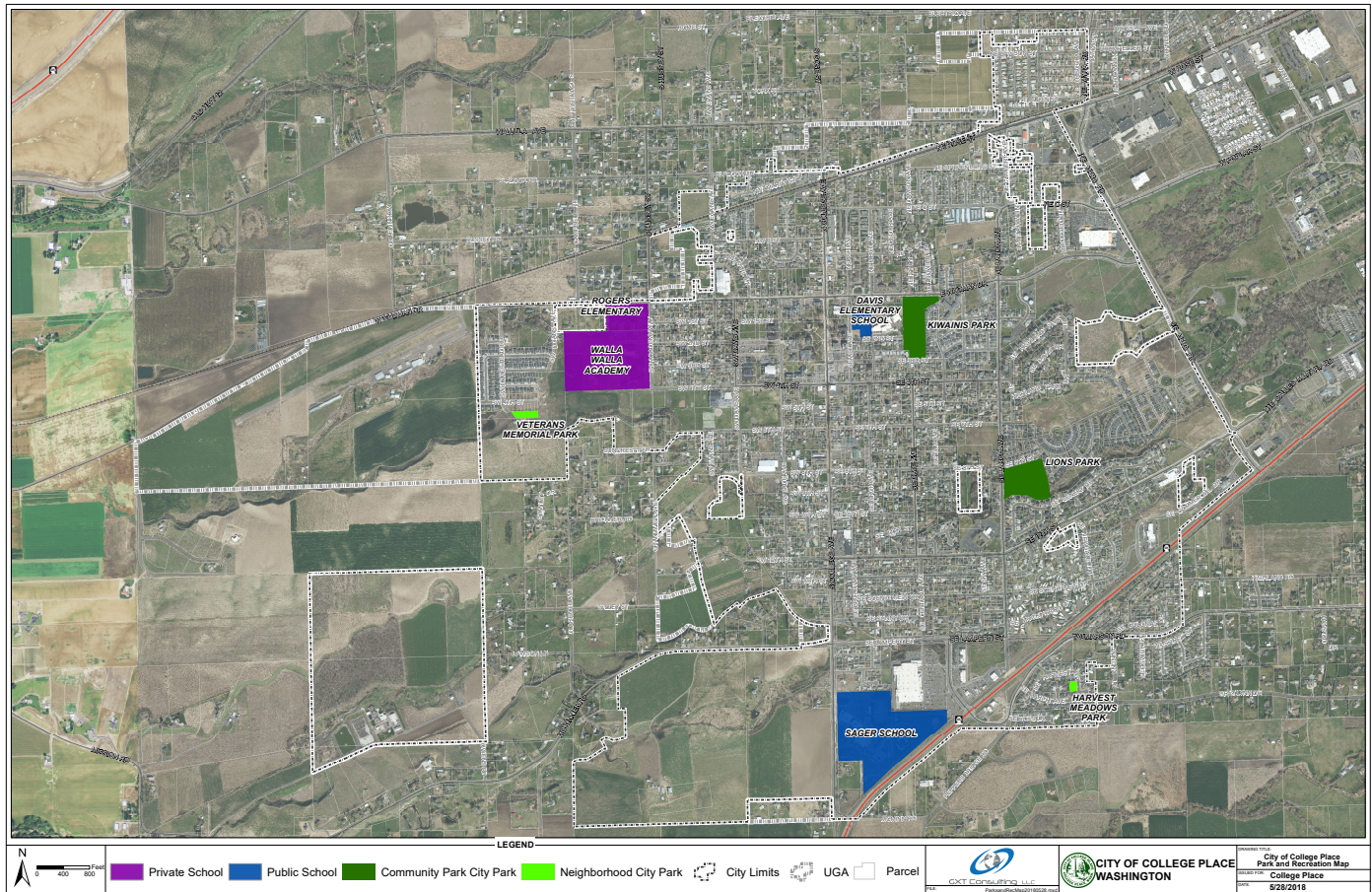
The City of College Place has two community parks and two neighborhood parks totaling just over 19 acres. The following inventory and assessment of the existing conditions, management priorities and recommendations are provided as a tool for planning and prioritizing park acquisition and development and to guide and facilitate the maintenance, improvement and management of the City's parks. Management priorities were identified based on an analysis of existing conditions conducted through site visits and interviews with stakeholders and City maintenance and management staff.

CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE PARKS	PARK CLASSIFICATION	ACRES
Lions Park	Community Park	9
Kiwanis Park	Community Park	8
Harvest Meadows	Neighborhood Park	.5
Veterans Park at Homestead	Neighborhood Park	1.67
Total		19.17

In addition to the City-owned parks, there are several pocket parks owned and maintained by homeowner associations, particularly in newer residential subdivisions.

City of College Place Park and Recreation Map

This map features City owned and maintained parks, as well as recreation and open space areas, owned and maintained by private and public schools in College Place.



PARK RANKING CRITERIA

As part of the inventory process, a ranking system for each of the park features, amenities and facilities is applied to determine the condition, quality and needs for maintenance at each of the parks within the City. These criteria help to prioritize and identify maintenance needs, larger park projects, and wish list items.

Each facility amenity color coded and rated within one of the following categories:

Park Amenity Ranking Criteria		
Poor	Good	Excellent

- **Poor** – in need of immediate maintenance or replacement due to broken, unsafe or inadequate condition.
- **Good** – applied to amenities that are deemed adequate, but may need maintenance soon, primarily cosmetic and not structural concerns, or have safety hazards due to wear foreseen in the near future.
- **Excellent** – applied to amenities that are new, ADA accessible, and are deemed safe for use over the next several years.

Kiwanis Park

Classification: Community Park

Location: 3rd & Date Street – 8 acres

Features and Description:

Kiwanis Park covers eight acres between Whitman Drive and 3rd Street, and shares use with Davis elementary school.

In 1950, the Kiwanis Club raised \$5,000 through donations for the purpose of purchasing and acquiring a public park. The City appropriated an additional \$5,000 and purchased approximately six acres lying north of 3rd Street. The Club also donated the tennis courts and the City improved the playground and picnic area. Three to four additional acres were purchased in 1963 and a baseball field was subsequently installed.



A grant from the Recreation and Conservation Office was awarded in 2016 to update the park with a new pickleball court, basketball court, and bathroom facility. Parking lot improvements were made in addition to the facility being updated to meet ADA requirements. The new sign installed at Kiwanis Park is setting the design standard for College Place park signage.



A shared-use agreement is in place between the City and the School District for joint-use and maintenance of the athletic fields.

Inventory and Quality of Park Amenities

KIWANIS PARK		
Amenity	Quantity	Condition
Pickleball Court	4	Excellent
Picnic Shelter	1	Good
Playground Equipment	1	Good
Restroom	1	Excellent
Parking Lot	1	Excellent
Basketball Court	1	Excellent
Benches	2	Excellent
Picnic Tables	2	Excellent

Management Priorities

- Consider security measures for reducing vandalism to park amenities, including restrooms and pickleball courts.
- Maintain priorities and projects as described in the joint management document between the City and the School District.
- Roof is showing signs of wear and tear.

Recommendations

- Design and build paved walking path around park perimeter to encourage active lifestyles and provide additional trails in the community.
- New roof to picnic shelter.



Lions Park

Classification: Community Park

Larch Avenue and 8th Street – 9 acres

Features and Description:

Lion's Park covers nine acres and provides a soccer field, softball field, community center, and areas for picnicking and fishing.

Garrison Creek flows through the park. The park is actively used by a girls' softball league and a soccer league.



In 1965, Virgil and Lucyreta Davin donated approximately nine acres to the City of College Place for park purposes.



Using the donated property as an in-kind match, the City received \$15,566 from the Recreation and Conservation Office to develop the park, install a ball field, construct a junior fishing and duck pond, install a sprinkler system and sanitary facilities. Much of the work performed was done with volunteer labor. The community building at the park was built by the Lions Club, donated to the City, and is leased back to the Lions Club. The playground equipment was acquired through donated fundraising efforts.

As the City's most frequented park, it regularly used for special events such as the Lions Club sponsored youth fishing events, family gatherings in the covered picnic area, and youth sports practice.

Youth Fishing Derby

14 & Under

4 PM til 6:30 PM

Friday, May 11, 2018

College Place

Lions Park Pond



Inventory and Quality of Park Amenities

The City is exploring opportunities to update the park's playground and athletic fields. Enhancements may include a splash pad, walking trail with exercise equipment, new restrooms and a fishing platform.

LIONS PARK		
Amenity	Quantity	Condition
Picnic Shelter	1	Poor
Playground Equipment	1	Poor
Parking Lot	1	Poor
Soccer Field	1	Good
Lions Clubhouse	1	Good
Restrooms	1	Poor
Softball/Baseball Field	1	Poor
Walking Path	1	Poor
Youth Fishing Pond	1	Poor
Grandstand	1	Poor

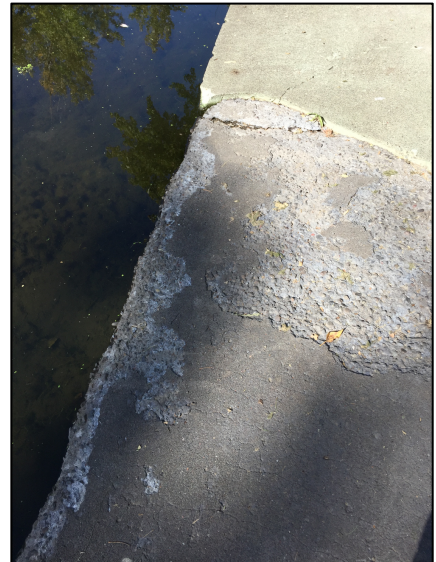
Management Priorities:

- Irrigation system is in need of repair and updates.
- Playground equipment is outdated and poses a safety hazard to users.
- South parking lot needs resurfacing.
- Picnic shelter is in need of repairs: fireplace and sink are nonfunctioning.
- Facility is not ADA compliant.
- Restrooms are outdated and not ADA compliant.
- Softball and soccer field are in need of updates to the field surface, diamonds, field striping, and amenities.
- Grandstands are in poor condition.
- Park shelter is hard to reserve, due to high demand in summer months.
- Pond has algae and needs dredging.
- Walking path around pond is cracked and dipping, posing a safety hazard to users.



Recommendations:

- Update park irrigation system.
- Install an ADA fishing platform for the annual fishing derby.
- Remove point source pollutants into pond from Garrison Creek Heights stormwater.
- Repair walking path around fishing pond. Provide ADA access to pond.
- Dredge pond. Separate pond from creek. Prevent future sedimentation of pond. Removal of weir in creek.
- Enhance Garrison Creek critical area buffer (naturalize stream bank).
- Invest in pond water circulation system.
- Apply for grant funding to update install a combined soccer/baseball field with goals and backstop.
- Install new park sign, consistent with design of Kiwanis park sign.
- Provide an ADA route from parking lot to restroom, to the walking path and playground.
- Improve parking lot with ADA elements, resurfacing and striping.
- Build an ADA accessible new restroom facility.
- Design and build a quarter mile walking path around the perimeter of the park with pedestrian scale lighting.
- Install new playground equipment with ADA elements.
- Install a splash pad.
- Explore reservation system with a minimal fee for community members to reserve picnic shelter for small gathering and events.
- Consider installing security measures to reduce vandalism.



Lions Park Renovation Plans

The City is in the process of selecting a new park design and applying for grant funding from the State Recreation and Conservation Office for the 2018/2019 grant cycle. Park enhancements include: parking lot upgrades, a new walking path, a new playground design and play equipment, a splash pad, restrooms, three U-8 soccer fields, a baseball field with backstop (no grandstands or dugouts) and picnic shelters. Design features are shown below.





LION'S PARK RENOVATIONS - FISH POND



LION'S PARK RENOVATIONS: PARK FEATURES



Splash Pad



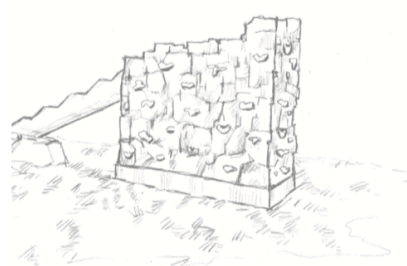
Picnic Shelters



Restroom Buildings

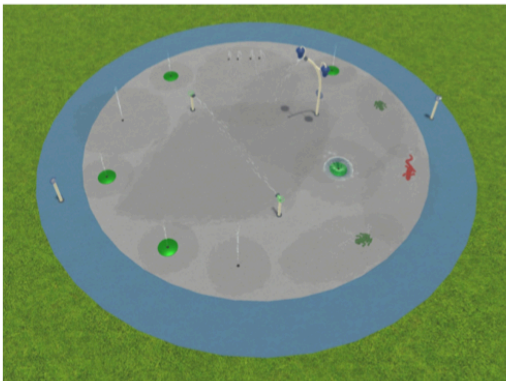
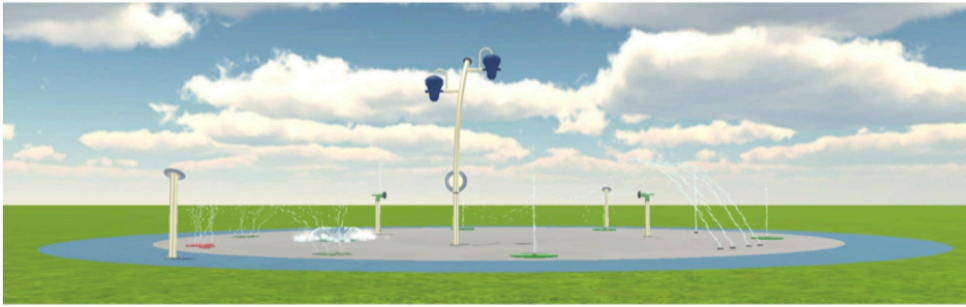


Nature-play Playground



Repurposed Chimney Climbing Wall





LION'S PARK RENOVATIONS - SPLASH PAD



LION'S PARK RENOVATIONS - PLAYGROUND



Harvest Meadows Park

Classification: Neighborhood Park

Location: Harvest Drive and Clover Court - .5 acres



Features and Description:

Harvest Meadows is a small neighborhood park, just under .5 of an acre, located in Harvest Meadows subdivision, adjacent to SR-125. In 2002, the City installed playground equipment, and replaced it in 2009 after it was destroyed by a fire. The park is frequented by neighborhood residents who use the benches for relaxation and the playground for their children. Many often bring their dogs to this park as well.



Inventory and Quality of Park Amenities

HARVEST MEADOWS PARK		
Amenity	Quantity	Condition
Playground Equipment	1	Good
Benches	2	Good
Picnic Tables	2	Excellent

Management Priorities:

- Park does not have a sign to identify the park and welcome visitors.
- There is limited shade offered by trees or a shelter.
- No bicycle racks available.
- No drinking fountain available.

Recommendations:

- Scaled to appropriate neighborhood parks size, install welcome sign to identify the park and welcome visitors, using design standards as set by the Kiwanis Park sign.
- Update City park and recreation materials to promote the use of this park.
- Add shade with trees and/or picnic shelter.
- Install drinking fountain.
- Consider installation of security measures to prevent vandalism.

Veterans Park

Classification: Neighborhood Park

Location: - Homestead Properties - 1.67 acres

Features and Description:

Named to honor the Veterans of this community, the City's newest neighborhood park is located within the Homestead Properties neighborhood and features new playground equipment and benches for rest and relaxation.

HARVEST MEADOWS PARK		
Amenity	Quantity	Condition
Playground equipment	TBA	Excellent
Benches	TBA	Excellent

Management Priorities:

- Consider installing security measures to reduce vandalism.

Recommendations:

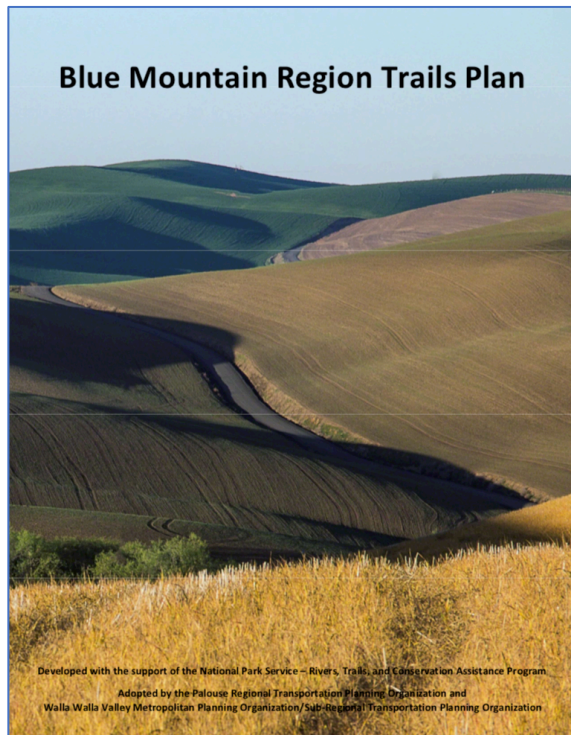
- Continue to evaluate the needs of the growing neighborhood to ensure their recreational needs are being met by the amenities within this facility.

Non-Motorized Trail System

The City of College Place places much emphasis and value on the promotion of healthy, active lifestyles and the connectivity of the City. In partnership with local and regional transportation planning, the City has officially adopted the Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan. The report identifies and prioritizes a number of trail and bikeway projects in the region and in College Place. The City will be working to ensure the development of these priorities as it develops transportation plans in the future.

Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan

The City of College Place worked collaboratively with the Blue Mountain Region Trails



Committee, which is comprised of entities across the region, including: cities, counties, health departments, ports, state and federal agencies in an effort to produce a regional trail plan. The Plan was adopted by the City of College Place in the spring of 2018, with the recommendation for local implementation and regional collaboration. The plan proposes a series of short-to-long-term projects throughout College Place, the City of Walla Walla and Walla Walla County. Several projects are identified for College Place, including an east-west bike route on Whitman Drive and a pathway from Homestead properties to the Whitman Monument.

[The Blue Mountain Regional Trail Plan](#) is a culmination of over a year's worth of work by several stakeholders across the Walla Walla Valley. It was put together by the Community Council and the Walla Walla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization. The document went

through a significant public process. The Palouse RTPO and Walla Walla Valley MPO have adopted this report. This document outlines public rights-of-ways where residents would like to see pedestrian/bicycle infrastructure installed and/or maintained to allow for a uniform experience throughout the Walla Walla Valley.

The Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan Trail Type Summary

CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE		
Trail Type	Miles	Improvement Miles
Sidewalk	39.5	2.5
Bike Lanes (Shared-use lanes)	34.6	4.4
Paved Multi-Use Paths	3.2	1.1

City Projects Identified in Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan

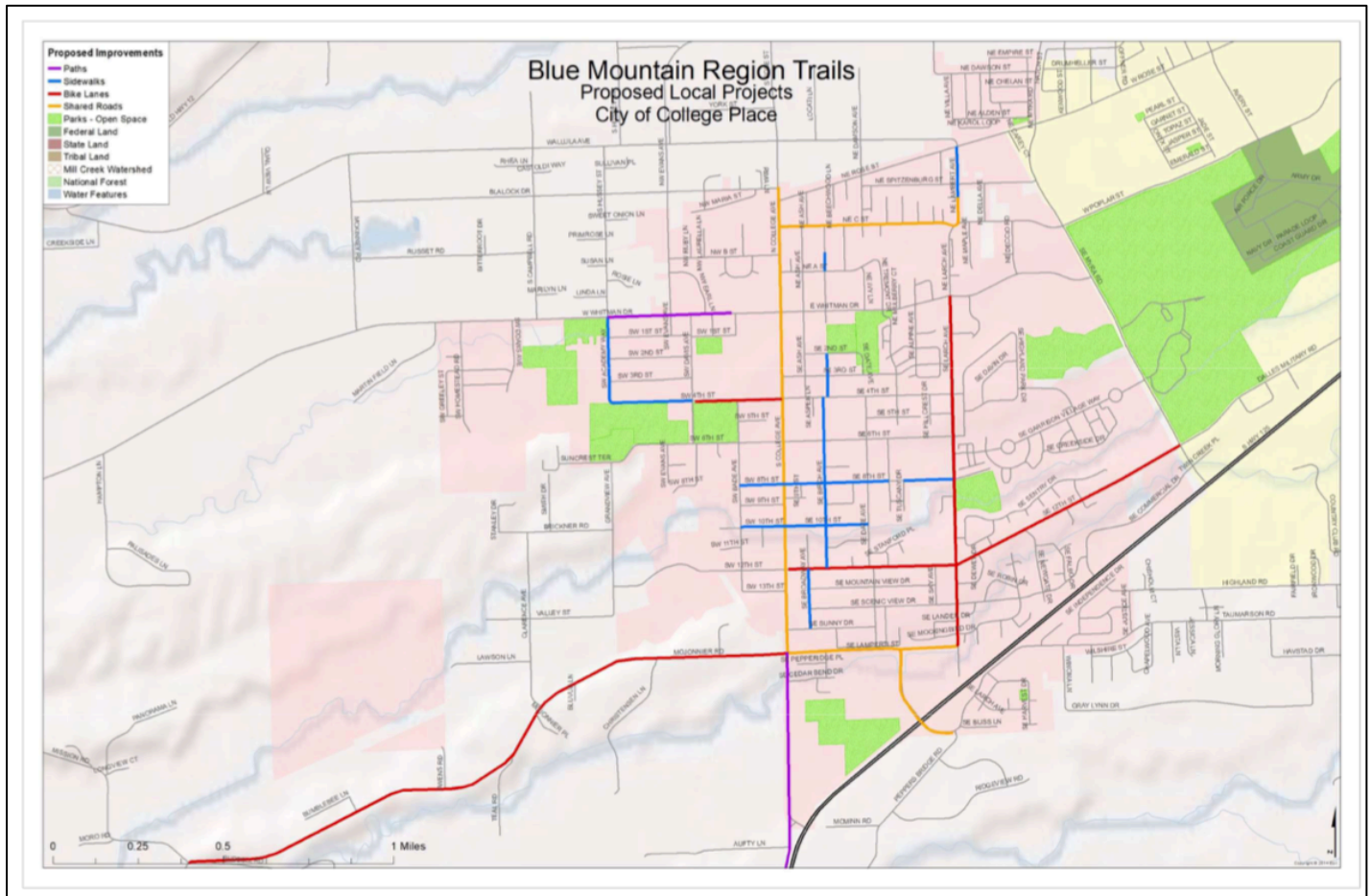
The following list of projects were identified in the Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan for implementation in the City of College Place. The City has adopted these projects as priorities for funding, implementation and future transportation and trail planning purposes.

Non-regional, city- and county-specific sidewalk and bicycle improvements have been grouped by entity and are shown in the tables and maps in this first section of the chapter. Unless specifically noted as “funded” or “committed”, local projects do not yet have funding identified and will be implemented either as grant-funded stand-alone, long-term projects or they may be implemented sooner when integrated with local roadway projects.

City of College Place

Segment Name	Improvement Type	Other Information	Length (miles)
SW 4TH ST	Sidewalk	<i>Funded</i>	0.24
SE 8TH ST	Sidewalk		0.45
SW 8TH ST	Sidewalk		0.13
SE 10TH ST	Sidewalk		0.24
SW 10TH ST	Sidewalk		0.13
SW ACADEMY WAY	Sidewalk	<i>Funded</i>	0.25
NE BIRCH AVE	Sidewalk		0.06
SE BIRCH AVE	Sidewalk		0.63
SE BROADWAY AVE	Sidewalk		0.18
NE LAMBERT AVE	Sidewalk		0.15
		Pedestrian Improvements	2.46
COLLEGE AVE	Paved Multi-Use Path	Separate path	0.76
WHITMAN DR	Paved Multi-Use Path	Next to curb	0.36
		Path Improvements	1.12
SW 4TH ST	Dedicated Bike Lane	Proposed 5-6' Bike Lane (S); 12' Bike and Parking Lane (N)	0.25
SE 12TH ST	Dedicated Bike Lane	Proposed 8-10' Bike Lane(s)	1.24
SE LARCH AVE	Dedicated Bike Lane	Proposed 5-6' Bike Lane(s)	1.03
MOJONNIER RD	Dedicated Bike Lane	<i>Long-Term Vision for Urban Growth Area - Proposed 5-6' Bike Lane(s)</i>	1.95
		Bike Lane Improvements	4.47
NE C ST	Shared Roadway	Proposed Sharrow	0.47
COLLEGE AVE / LAMPERTI ST / MEADOWBROOK BLVD	Shared Roadway	Proposed Sharrows	2.03
LAMBERT AVE / NE C ST	Shared Roadway	Proposed Sharrows	0.27
SE LAMPERTI ST	Shared Roadway	Proposed Sharrow	0.17
		Bike-Shared Road Improvements	2.94

Proposed City Projects Identified in Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan



Recommendations:

- Consider traffic calming measures to improve safety for bicyclists on College Avenue.
- In partnership with the public works and transportation planning staff, develop a prioritization and implementation schedule for BM RTP recommended projects.
- Develop public survey to gather input and recommendations for BM RTP project list prioritization.

Cycle Track

The City was awarded two Federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grants for bicycle and pedestrian improvements in 2014 and 2016 for a total of \$249,662. In 2016, the City was successful in obtaining a Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) grant to supplement the project. As a result of TIB's involvement, the 4th Street/Academy Way project will be designed with the Walla Walla valley's first "cycle track". A cycle track is comprised of two isolated and protected bicycle lanes situated alongside a main roadway. The cycle track will be constructed along the south side of 4th Street and the west side of Academy Way. In addition to extending the cycle track, the 4BIKES Project would construct new ADA sidewalks on both sides of 4th Street between the Davis Avenue intersection and College Avenue. This is expected to provide an enhanced level of safety for both bicyclists and pedestrians while preserving parallel parking along the opposing side of the road.

Staff is working with the Walla Walla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization to use the original TAP funding to extend the cycle track along 4th Street from the Davis intersection to College Avenue as a Phase 2 of the project.

Walla Walla University has also secured professional engineering services to explore resituating their 4th Street American Disability Act parking stalls currently partially impinging on 4th Street onto University property.

The project is expected to be constructed by the end of October 2018.

Management Priorities and Recommendations:

- City staff to meet with Walla Walla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization to discuss opportunities for retaining federal funding for phase 2.
- City staff to meet with Walla Walla University to brief them on the project and discuss parking impacts.
- Installation of street lamps.

LimeBike

In support of the City's goals to enhance bicycle infrastructure, to support healthy, active lifestyles they will piloting a bike rental program with Lime Bike in 2018.

LimeBike launched in 2017, and now serves over 50 cities across the United States. Their mission is to provide a sustainable transportation solution that will help people have access to an affordable and convenient way to move throughout cities while reducing their carbon footprint.

The LimeBike system uses a phone app to let people find and rent bikes, which are self-locking and do not need docking stations. LimeBike covers all maintenance costs, leaving no service fees for the City to cover. Users are charged a rental fee of \$1 per half-hour. Reduced rates are offered to students and for those who opt for a prepayment plan. LimeBike also offers GPS data to the cities they serve, to help jurisdictions with non-motorized transportation planning.

The City of College Place will initiate the program with approximately 200 bikes. Bikes will be available throughout the city, including bikes placed at Walmart and at multiple locations around Walla Walla University.

Management Priorities and Recommendations:

- Monitor user experience, and bike quantity and access points to ensure LimeBike program is successful.
- Consider expansion of bike rentals and coordinate with City of Walla Walla to promote regional program if found to be successful and supported by the community.
- Use GPS data provided by LimeBike to prioritize future bicycle improvement projects.



Regional Parks

College Place residents also use park resources outside of the City limits. The City of Walla Walla operates many neighborhood and community parks, including the nearby Fort Walla Walla Park, a 200-acre park with an amphitheater, museum, disc golf, camping area, and an area for picnicking. Additionally, the area is surrounded with rich geography offering a multitude of hiking, birding, and skiing opportunities.



- 4 Golf Courses
- McNary National Wildlife Refuge
- Umatilla National Forest
- Palouse Falls State Park
- Milton-Freewater Skate Park
- Walla Walla Veterans Memorial Pool
- Bluewood Ski Resort
- Spout Springs Ski Area
- Fort Walla Walla BMX and Skateboard Park
- Fort Walla Walla Disc Golf
- Fort Walla Walla Dog Park
- Walla Walla Sportsplex
- Fort Walla Walla Museum
- Whitman Monument
- Walla Walla River Delta
- City of Milton Freewater, Joe Humbert Family Aquatic Center

The City of Walla Walla

With over 600 acres of recreation land, the City of Walla Walla offers 17 public parks to the community in an around Walla Walla.

City of Walla Walla Parks & Recreation	Parking	Restrooms	Picnic Tables	Shelter	Reservations	power	Potable Water	Liquor Allowed	Playground	Walking Path	Swimming Pool	Water Features/Sides	Concessions	Basketball Courts	Baseball Courts	Soccer Fields	Pickleball Courts	Tennis Court	Volleyball Courts	Skate Park	Fishing	Horseshoes
Crawford Park 106 W. Main St	✓				✓				✓													
Eastgate Lions Park 2140 Tacoma St	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					✓	✓								
Fort Walla Walla Park 1199 Myra Rd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										✓	✓		✓
Heritage Square 116 E Main St	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓																	
Howard Tietan Park 616 E Tietan St	✓	✓	✓				✓							✓		✓						
Jefferson Park 750 Sprague St	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓						✓								✓	
Memorial Park 505 E Rees Ave	✓	✓	✓																			
Menlo Park 1242 Alvarado Ter	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓						✓	✓				✓				
Mill Creek Sportsplex 111 Tausick Way	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓			✓			✓	✓	✓				✓		
Pioneer Park 940 E Alder St	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Veterans Memorial Pool 505 E Rees Ave	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓										
Vista Terrace Park 925 Mountain Park Dr	✓						✓						✓	✓								
Washington Park 700 W Cherry St	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓		✓		✓			✓						
Wildwood Park 21 S Division St	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					✓	✓								

✓ ADA play equipment available

Public and Private Recreational Facilities

College Place is also served by many private and public educational institutions within the community. There are 3 public schools within the community, including the new College Place High School, John Sager Middle School, and Davis Elementary. Each of these facilities offer recreational equipment and open space, filling many of the same needs that parks do.

The maintenance and operation of the recreational facilities within College Place are conducted with the partnership of the College Place School District, and other local volunteer organizations like the Lions Club.

College Place High School and John Sager Middle School

This is a new facility, hosting both the high school and middle school, offering many recreational amenities to the community.

Recreational Amenities and Facilities:

- 2 Football fields
- 1 Baseball field
- Track and field
- 4 Tennis courts
- Stadium seating
- Concession stand
- 1 Softball field
- 2 Basketball courts

Davis Elementary

A public elementary school located adjacent to Kiwanis Park, this public facility offers recreational opportunities to the surrounding neighborhood and community residents with a little league field, a youth-oriented soccer field, a half court for basketball, playground equipment for ages 5-7 and playground equipment for 6-12 years. The School District and the City of College Place have a shared use agreement for access to the sports fields.

Recreational Amenities and Facilities:

- Little league baseball field
- Youth soccer field
- Half-court basketball
- 2 playgrounds with equipment for ages 3-7 and 6-12

Rogers Adventist School

This private educational facility is regularly used by the community in afterschool hours, providing park-like amenities to the community. includes a half court for basketball, swings, and playground equipment.

Recreational Amenities and Facilities:

- Half-court basketball
- Swings
- Playground equipment

Walla Walla University

Walla Walla University offers a variety of fitness and recreational amenities to its students,



faculty and staff, including golf, soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, gymnastics, climbing, racquet ball and ping pong. Many of their facilities and programs are also offered to the broader community. The University is in the process of installing a new walking path and expanding their soccer field. Additionally, the University inventory includes the site of the old Rogers School, which is used by the City for their annual fireworks show, and it offers open space and parking when not used for larger community events.

Recreational Amenities and Facilities:

- **Tausick Memorial Pool**
 - Swim classes, lifeguard training, water aerobics
- **Teri Kuhlman Fitness Center**
 - Free weights and cardio exercise equipment, fitness classes and training
- **Climbing Gym**
- **Alumni Gymnasium**
 - 3 basketball courts, 3 volleyball courts, 8 badminton courts
- **Gymnastics Gym**
 - Gymnastics classes
- **4 Tennis courts**
- **2 Softball fields**
- **Soccer field**
- **Football field**
- **Walking path**
- **Tournament soccer field to be installed**

Recommendations:

- Explore opportunity for shared-use agreement with Walla Walla University and the City of College Place to provide additional access to University recreational amenities for City residents.

Needs Assessment

The people who live, work and visit College Place drive the demand for access to parks and recreational areas in the community. Through public input, site visits, and reviewing regional and national level of service standards, the following list of amenities, standards and needs have been identified.

The National Recreation and Park Association standards were utilized to develop a baseline for the recommended recreational amenity standard. Based on local interest and need, the standard was increased for certain recreational facilities, such as soccer.

This table can be used to determine where need is the highest, and to prioritize the funding and implementation of future park and recreation projects. Because there are so many recreational amenities provided through private and public partners within the City, the inventory lists the institutions which offer each amenity to demonstrate just how many recreational amenities are provided to the public through the City's partners, such as the private educational institutions and the College Place School District.

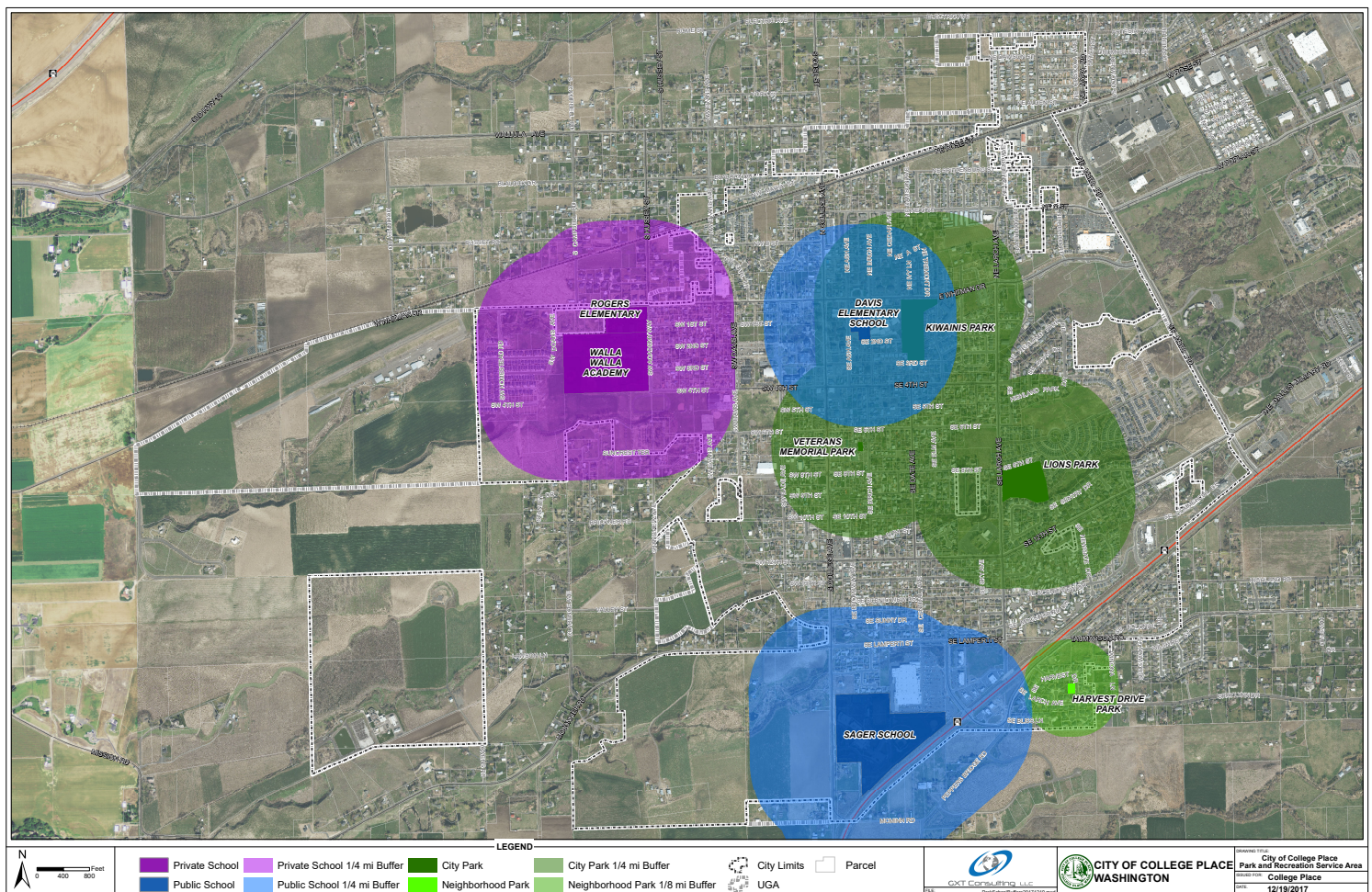
AMENITY	STANDARD	CURRENT SUPPLY	SURPLUS/DEFICIT
Softball Field	1/3,000 residents	4/9,000 residents 2 – Walla Walla University, 1 – CP High School & Middle School, 1 – Lion's Park	1
Baseball Field	1/5,000 residents	3 /9,000 residents 1 – Davis Elementary, 1 – CP High School & Middle School, 1 – Lion's Park	1
Tennis Court	1/2,000 residents	8/ 9,000 residents 4 – Walla Walla University 4 – CP High school & Middle School	3
Non-Motorized Trails	10/1,000 residents	77.3/ 9,000 residents 39.5 Sidewalk miles 34.6 Bike lane miles 3.2 paved, Multi-use path miles	2.5 sidewalk miles 4.4 bike lane miles 1.1 paved, multi-use path miles (per BM RTP)
Basketball Court	1/2,000 residents	8/9,000 residents 3 – Walla Walla University 1 – Rogers Adventist School 1 – Davis Elementary 2- CP High School & Middle School 1 – Kiwanis Park	3
Pump/Bicycle Track	1/7,500 residents	0	1
Splash Pad	1/7000 residents	0	1

AMENITY	STANDARD	CURRENT SUPPLY	SURPLUS/DEFICIT
Pickelball Court	1/ 2,000 residents	4/9,000 residents	0
Sport Tournament Facility	1/10,000 residents	0	1
Soccer Field	1/ 2,500 residents	3/9,000 residents 1- Walla Walla University 1- Davis Elementary 1- Lion's Park	1
Football Field	1/5,000 residents	2/9,000 residents 1 – Walla Walla University 2 – CP High School	0

Level of Service

Level of Service Standards (LOS) measure the minimum amount of a public facility which must be provided to meet a community's basic needs and expectations. Once a municipality adopts level-of-service standards, they are used to measure whether existing facilities and services are adequate to serve their community. The travel time to walk from a neighborhood to the facility is used to develop a reasonable service area.

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) have established standards to help communities develop their own targets. The NRPA standard is roughly 10 acres per 1,000 people.



The City of College Place has adopted a 10 acre per 1,000 residents level of service standard to match the recommendation and standard set by NRPA. In the 2014 College Place Parks and Recreation Plan, the City utilized a level of service standard of 2 acres per 1,000 people, due to the many additional acres of recreational land and open space provided by private and public schools in the community. In the past, the City has relied on its private and public partners to

make up for the gap in recreational facilities because City facilities have been inadequate to meet the needs of College Place residents. While the community is very fortunate to have access to such a wide array of public and private facilities, they are not always available, so the City is working to increase their supply of parks and open space to meet the needs of people who live here. Additionally, an increase from 2 acres/1,000 LOS to a 10 acre/1,000 LOS standard reflects the community value for parks and recreation as indicated by respondents in the City's 2017 park and recreation survey.

The parks plan level of service evaluation and inventory process are used to not only determine the adequacy of current supply, the plan is also used to project 20 years into the future, considering the needs of the City's growing population. It is projected that College Place will see an increase in population by 1,587 people over the next 20 years, bringing its population to 10,671. With an expanding base to serve, the City must consider what the park and recreation needs will be over both a short and long-term basis. With under 20 acres of park land currently available and a LOS of 10 acres/1,000 residents, the City has a deficit of 70 acres of park, recreation or open space land. Considering a population of over 10,000 in the next 20 years, the City would need to acquire 80 acres of land to serve the community's needs for parks, recreation and open space.

The City aims to provide residents a variety of both neighborhood and community parks, within reasonable distances, equitably dispersed throughout the City.

CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE PARK AND RECREATIONAL LAND INVENTORY AND LEVEL OF SERVICE SUMMARY	
City of College Place Park and Open Space Acreage	19.17 acres
Private School Acreage	33 acres
Public School Acreage	36 acres
City, Public and Private School Acreage	86.5 acres
2017 Population	9,084
Projected 20-Year Population	10,671
2018 CP Parks Plan LOS Goal	10 acres/1,000 population
City Park and Recreation Acreage Deficit	-80 acres

Community Parks

Community parks provide more amenities than neighborhood parks and are expected to meet the needs of a larger geographical area. The City has developed a guideline for community parks to be within ¼ - ½ mile of existing residential neighborhoods. Community parks may include features such as baseball and softball diamonds, soccer fields, splash pads and hiking trails.

College Place has a total of 17 acres of community park land, including Kiwanis and Lions Park. Property for a new community park is needed to accommodate the expanding community and to serve the southwest portion of the city, which is currently not meeting the level-of-service standard for park and recreation accessibility. A combination of grants, community matching funds, and development fees are being proposed to fund park development.

Neighborhood Parks

Neighborhood parks are intended to serve residential areas within a block or subdivision up to a 1/8 - 1/4 mile radius of the park site, with a standard of 10 acre/1000 residents. The intent is to locate neighborhood parks so that residents do not have to cross an arterial street to access them. Neighborhood parks current supply totals 2.17 acres, with Harvest Meadows Park and Veterans Park in Homestead Properties.

The City aims to locate neighborhood parks in conjunction with new subdivisions, and as opportunities arise, to offer access to parks where residents may otherwise not be within a reasonable service area for a community park or other recreational amenities.

The following table lists park, open space and recreation land dedication recommendations for new development in order for the City to meet their new level of service standard.

Dwelling Units	2017 Average Household Size	Total Residents	Required Park/Open Space Acreage
50	2.28 persons	114 residents	1.14 acres
100	2.28 persons	228 residents	2.28 acres
150	2.28 persons	342 residents	3.42 acres
200	2.28 persons	456 residents	4.56 acres
250	2.28 persons	570 residents	5.70 acres

Trails, Shared Use Paths, and Non-Motorized Transportation

Connectivity and non-motorized transportation planning is important to the community because pedestrian/bicycle trails provide connections between neighborhoods, parks, school and other activity areas. Trails promote healthy, active lifestyles and reduce the number of vehicle miles traveled. They can also provide public access through natural areas, open spaces and along creeks, enhancing quality of life.

With the implementation of the Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan (BM RTP), there will be further development of sidewalks, shared-use paved paths and bike lanes in the community, expanding the non-motorized trail network and further providing a more complete and integrated bike system for residents to enjoy. In total, the BM RTP promotes the addition of 2.5 miles of sidewalks, 4.4 miles of bike lanes, and 1.1 miles of paved, multi-use paths.

General Recommendations and Future Projects

This section outlines a list of projects that emerged through the public process and stakeholder outreach. The recommendations are in addition to the projects identified in each of the existing facilities within College Place and outlined in other sections of the plan. They are divided into three key categories: Park Development, Recreation and Community.

Park Development Need

- Work with developer of Homestead Properties in the development of a neighborhood park that includes new playground equipment, a multipurpose field, and restrooms. This park will become the future “Veterans Park” with a new park sign and plaque to honor Veterans, moving the park from the location adjacent to City Hall.
- Explore the potential of the old Veterans Park near City Hall converting to a community garden.
- Work with project sponsors of the proposed planned unit development of the McKeirnan/Christensen property to design a large recreational area to include new playground equipment, a multipurpose sports field with turf, capable of hosting tournament events to bring visitors to the area, restrooms, and a walking path.
- Explore potential of developing a small parcel of land along Highway 125 and Larch Avenue. It shows potential for a natural area, a stormwater pond, or a special use park.
- Assess community park needs and level of service needs for residents living north of Whitman Drive.
- Support a joint review by the City Planning Commission and the Parks, Arbor, and Recreation Board of the park standards, zoning updates, and impact fees for new subdivisions and planned unit developments to ensure they are in alignment with park and recreation level of service standards and community goals.
- Consider acquisition strategies to meet the LOS standard and development of 80 acres of park, recreation and open space land over the next 20 years.

Recreation Need

- Develop a park that is directed with active adult recreational needs in mind. Also consider adult recreational sports facilities such as a field to accommodate adult baseball and softball leagues.
- Explore the potential to develop a park with unique attractions such as a pump track to encourage regional tourism to the area.

Community Need

- Continue arbor activities to maintain Tree City designation.
- Review City policy for private park maintenance in areas where Home Owners Association may be struggling to manage private neighborhood parks.
- Promote new events in parks, such as: movies and music in the park.

Capital Improvements Plan

The Capital Improvements Plan is a list of the major projects identified within the parks and recreation plan for 2018-2024. Funding has not been approved for all of the projects. Potential funding sources have been identified where applicable.

Project	Estimated Project Costs	Year	Funding Source
Lions Park Renovation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walking Path with Exercise Equipment Splash Pad Picnic Shelter Restrooms Pond Dredge and reconstruct Garrison Creek Channel Eliminate Point Source Pollution Parking Lot Enhancements ADA Accessibility Playground Equipment 	\$400,000 – \$2 million	2018 - 2020	RCO, Lions Club, Grant Funding, other Local Partners.
Veterans Park at Homestead <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop Veterans Park on 1 acre of land in Homestead Development 	\$25,000	2020	Development Impact Fees, REET
New Park Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional/Community Park Facility 	\$3 million	2021-2022	REET, RCO, College Place School District, Development Impact Fees
Harvest Meadows Park Improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Sign Drinking Fountain Picnic Shelter 	\$25,000	2020	Grant Funding, City Funding
Implementation of BM RTP	Included in Street Improvement Projects	2019-2022	Street Improvement Fund, State and Federal Department of Transportation Grants

APPENDIX

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- B. Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan Map**
- C. City of College Place Resolution to adopt Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan**
- D. Public Participation Plan**
- E. Open House Park and Recreation Outreach Boards**
- F. Park and Recreation Open House Flyer**
- G. Park and Recreation Survey Outreach Flyer**
- H. Parks and Recreation Public Survey Results**

Appendix A

Blue Mountain Regional Trails Plan Summary

Blue Mountain Regional Trails Plan

In an unprecedented regional effort, cities, counties, health departments, ports, regional, state, and federal agencies joined forces to complete the development of a *Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan* that spans all involved jurisdictions in Columbia and Walla Walla counties in Washington State and northeastern Umatilla County in Oregon.

Plan Vision

Develop a community-driven and locally-supported regionwide network of bicycle and pedestrian routes and non-motorized trails to provide outdoor recreation opportunities, mobility options, and connectivity within the Blue Mountain Region that benefit –

*health,
mobility,
quality of life and livability, and
economic development and tourism.*

Benefits of Having an Interconnected Network

- Increase participation in outdoor recreation and active transportation
- Reduce physical inactivity and related health concerns
- Provide safe routes to schools, parks, community sites, and natural treasures
- Shift short trips from cars to walking and biking
- Stimulate economic development
- Enhance community connections and increase quality of life



Public Involvement

- 2 rounds of public workshops — 8 sessions total just under 1,000 comments collected
- Project website — 20,300 hits through 1/8/18
- Online outreach — 142 comments collected

354 Total Miles of Proposed New or Improved Non-Motorized Transportation and Trails

- 15 miles of new sidewalks
- 9 miles of new bike lanes
- 215 miles of designated bike routes on shared roads
- 21 miles of improved and new paved paths
- 94 miles of improved or new trails
- Total cost for regional connections is \$103 million, including \$4.6 million for short-term implementation

Potential Sources of Funding for Implementation

- Regional Trails Program
- Federal Lands Access Program
- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- National Forest System Trail Stewardship Grant
- Economic Development Administration Programs
- Safe Routes to School Grant
- WSDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Program
- U.S. DOT Surface Transportation Block Grant
- ... and private funding investments



What to Do Now

Adoption into local comprehensive plans

Continued collaboration for multijurisdictional projects

Preparation of grant applications

The public can support project implementation by —
Writing letters of support for grant applications

Advocating for implementation

Sharing their talents—
photography, graphics,
writing, editing
... the possibilities are
limitless

It is important to note that the proposed projects do not yet have secured construction funding.

Short-term Implementation - identified for early implementation in year one through four

Route ID	Name	Use	Length	Cost
C3	Community Connection 3 - Waitsburg and Dayton	Walk, Bike	9.7	\$3,500,000
B1	McNary National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) - Trail	Walk, Bike	1.40	\$200,000
F8	W.T. Wooten Wildlife Area - Restroom Upgrade	Bike, Hike, Ride	n/a	\$120,000
F6	Tiger Ridge Trail - Reconnect	Bike, Hike, Ride	1.3	\$100,000
F6a	National Forest - Focus Trails Group A	Bike, Hike, Ride	94.3	\$125,000
F6b	National Forest - Focus Trails Group B	Bike, Hike, Ride	7.4	\$5,000
F7	Bluewood - Summer Activities	Bike, Hike, Ride	12.8	\$160,000
B6	Hood Park Entrance - Path	Walk, Bike	0.05	\$100,000
B2	Hood Park - Trail along Snake River	Walk	0.40	\$30,200
W5d	Westside of Highway 125 - Multi-Use Path	Walk, Bike	0.3	\$100,000
W5a	Northside of Highway 12 - Multi-Use Path A	Walk, Bike	0.8	\$62,400
B4	Humorist Road - Sidewalk Extension	Walk	0.20	\$70,000
B3	Sunset Drive - Trail Loop along Snake River	Walk	1.20	\$90,500
			Total	\$4,663,100

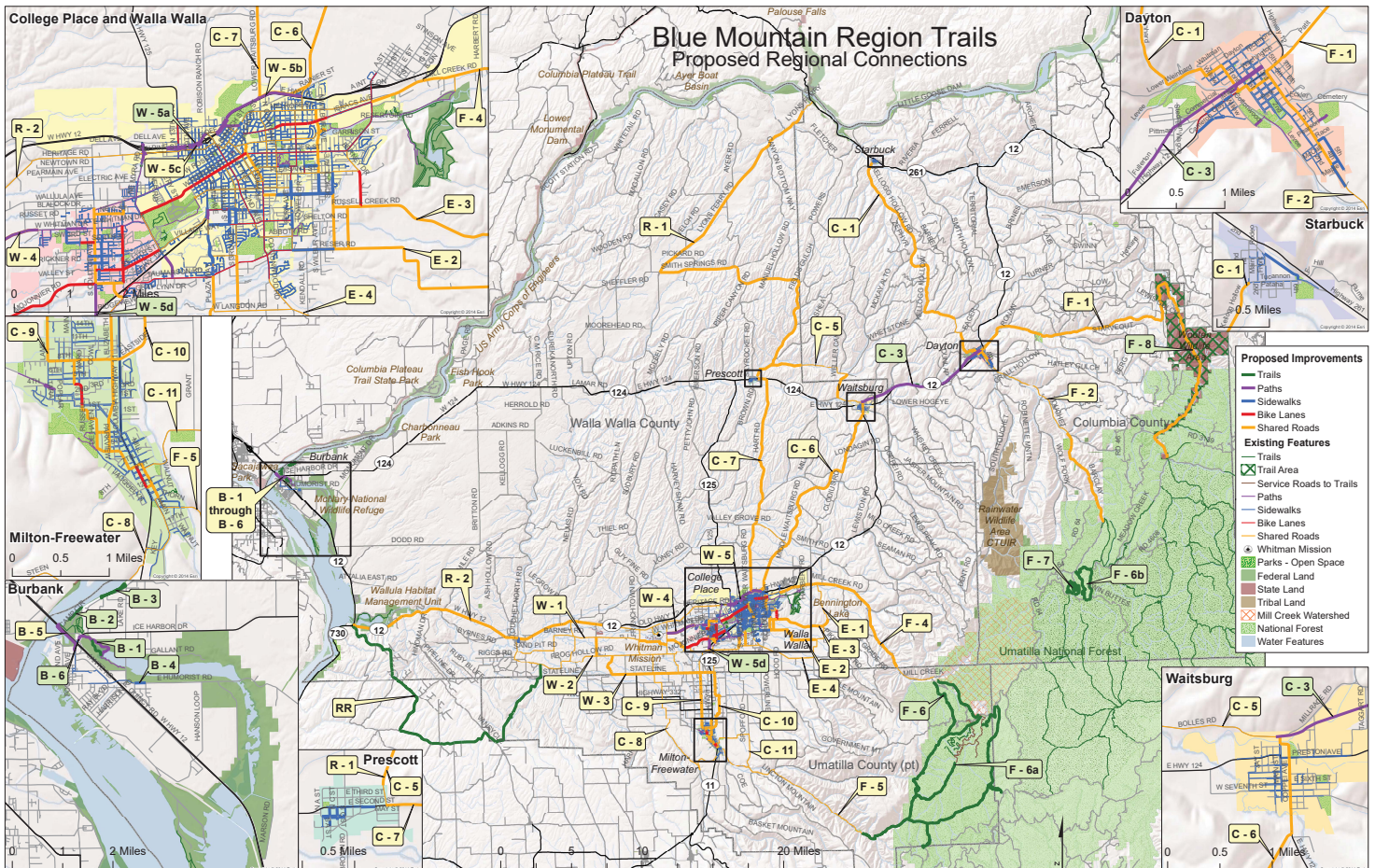
Long-Term Implementation - considered for implementation in year five and beyond

Route ID	Name	Use	Length	Cost
F5	Milton-Freewater to National Forest	Bike, Hike	16.7	\$175,000
RR	Ridge Route - Near Windmills	Bike, Hike	26.0	\$45,800
E3	East Bike Route 3 - Russell Creek	Bike	5.2	\$3,700,000
B5	Hood Park / Cargil Pond / Highway 12 - Path	Walk, Bike	1.00	\$1,000,000
F4	Walla Walla to National Forest	Bike	14.8	\$15,000,000
C6	Community Connection 6 - Walla Walla and Waitsburg	Bike	16.0	\$5,000,000
R1	Prescott to Lyons Ferry	Bike	33.6	\$2,400,000
C7	Community Connection 7 - Walla Walla and Prescott	Bike	16.0	\$5,300,000
C10	Community Connection 10 - Milton-Freewater and Walla Walla	Bike	6.3	\$17,600
E4	East Bike Route 4 - Cottonwood	Bike	8.5	\$2,000,000
W3	West Bike Route 3 - Stateline	Bike	8.7	\$1,500,000
E2	East Bike Route 2 - Reser	Bike	7.0	\$9,100,000
W5c	Southside of Highway 12 - Multi-Use Paths	Walk, Bike	1.6	\$2,000,000
F1	Dayton to Wooten Wildlife and National Forest	Bike	32.1	\$20,000,000
F2	Dayton to National Forest	Bike	15.0	\$10,000,000
C9	Community Connection 9 - Milton-Freewater and Walla Walla	Bike	8.8	\$1,814,000
C5	Community Connection 5 - Prescott and Waitsburg	Bike	9.5	\$2,200,000
C1	Community Connection 1 - Dayton and Starbuck	Bike	20.3	\$12,497,000
W2	West Bike Route 2 - Froghollow, Gardena	Bike (Walk)	16.2	\$700,000
W1	West Bike Route 1 - Mission, Stovall, Detour	Bike	15.4	\$2,100,000
			Total	\$96,549,400

Additional Priorities

Route ID	Name	Use	Length	Cost
W4	West Whitman Drive - Multi-Use Path	Walk, Bike	2.1	\$1,888,000
C11	Community Connection 11 - Milton-Freewater Cemetery Loop	Bike	5.4	\$0
W5b	Northside of Highway 12 - Multi-Use Path B	Walk, Bike	1.6	\$0
E1	East Bike Route 1 - 5-Mile	Bike	2.7	\$0
C8	Community Connection 8 - Milton-Freewater and Walla Walla	Bike	13.4	\$0
R2	Heritage Route - Long-Term Vision	Bike	27.8	\$0

Appendix B



Appendix C

City of College Place Resolution - Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan

City of College Place, Washington
RESOLUTION NO. 18-007

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE, WASHINGTON
REGARDING ADOPTION OF THE BLUE MOUNTAIN REGION TRAILS PLAN**

Whereas, the City of College Place is a non-charter code city governed by the rules and regulations of RCW 35A; and

Whereas, in an unprecedented regional effort, 18+ cities, counties, health departments, ports, regional, state, and federal agencies joined forces to complete the development of a Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan that spans all involved jurisdictions; and

Whereas, the plan vision was to develop a community-driven and locally-supported region wide network of bicycle and pedestrian routes and non-motorized trails to provide outdoor recreation opportunities, mobility options, and connectivity within the Blue Mountain Region that benefit – health, mobility, quality of life and livability, and economic development and tourism; and

Whereas, implementation of this plan will enhance the community and benefit the citizens of College Place;

Now therefore, the City Council of the City of College Place do hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: Adoption: The Blue Mountain Region Trails Plan is adopted for use in planning, and inclusion in the Parks Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan of the City of College Place.

Section 2: Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

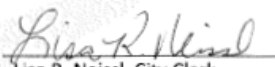
Section 3: Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage as provided by law.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of College Place, Washington, this 27th day of March 2018.

Approved:


Harvey R. Crowder, Mayor

Attest:


Lisa R. Neissl, City Clerk

Appendix D

Public Participation Plan

The City of College Place has adopted and is implementing a Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the provisions of the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA). In doing so, the City is required to periodically review and update the plan and the regulations that implement it. The next update must be completed by June 30, 2018. The Comprehensive Plan includes a Parks, Recreation and Open Space Element that communities use to guide the use and development of parks in their communities. This document serves as the Park and Open Space Plan Outreach Guide to highlight the opportunities for early and continuous involvement in this update process. To facilitate the update process the following tools, approaches, and methods may be applied to best receive valuable feedback from the community on the development of the Park and Open Space Plan.

Open Public Meetings

- Meetings with City Management Team
- Meetings with City Council, Planning Commission and PAR Board
- Series of discussions with targeted stakeholders throughout the area
 - Written summaries of the meetings will be available for public review
 - Meeting participants will be added to mailing list to receive periodic updates from the City
 - Materials are made available on the City's website

Outreach Materials and Events

- **Flyer/Brochure/Save the Date Postcard:** Informational materials will be made available for public distribution and to be used in conjunction with public displays at local events such as football or sporting event.
 - Materials to be made bilingual
 - QR codes made available on materials
 - Develop a list of events for outreach
- **Survey:** Will be prepared to further gather information from the community, available both online and in print form
- **Events:**
 - Sporting events, Farmers Market, Festivals, City Sponsored Events (Winterfest)

Announcements

- City Hall electronic reader board
- City's social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Nextdoor).
- City newsletter (distributed in utility billings)
- Local newspaper
- Press release
- Radio (KUJ 1420 Walla Walla radio station and University community program on radio station)

Which park amenities would you like to see?

Use sticker dots to vote on the amenity you would most like to see in College Place Parks.

Bike Racks



Splash Pad



Drinking Fountains



Restrooms



Park Benches



Non-motorized Trails



Picnic Tables



Open Space/Natural Area



Shade Cover



Dog Park



How would you like to improve College Place Parks?

Veterans Park



Describe the improvements you would like to see.

Harvest Meadows Park



Describe the improvements you would like to see.

Lions Park



Describe the improvements you would like to see.

Kiwanis Park



Describe the improvements you would like to see.



**CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
OPEN HOUSE**

**Share your input
to help guide the future
of College Place!**



The City of College Place is updating its Comprehensive Plan.

The Plan addresses Land Use, Public Facilities, Streets, Utilities, Housing, the Environment, and Parks and Recreation.

We want to hear how you would like to see College Place grow and develop over the next 20 years.



Join us for a collaborative **Open House** to share your thoughts on the future of your community!

Thursday, February 15, 2018

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

SonBridge Community Center

1200 SE 12th Avenue
College Place, WA 99324

For more information:
<http://www.cpwa.us> or
509-529-1200

Come participate!
*Light refreshments and
Translation Services will be
provided.*



Appendix G Parks and Recreation Survey Outreach Flyer



Park and Recreation Survey

Share your thoughts! Help shape the future of College Place Parks and Recreation.

The City's Parks, Arbor and Recreation Board is working to update its Park, Recreation and Open Space plan, and you can help! Your input, gathered through a park and recreation survey, will be used to assess what the recreational needs of the community are.

Survey results will be used to develop a Parks, Recreation and Open Space plan that will guide the City with a clear set of objectives for the development and enhancement of College Place's park and recreational facilities.

This is your opportunity to provide feedback about the parks, trails and recreational opportunities in College Place.

Surveys can be completed online, or paper copies are available at City Hall.



Fill out the survey online at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GSBTXTW>

**For more information, please
visit: <http://www.cpwa.us> or
call: 509-529-1200**



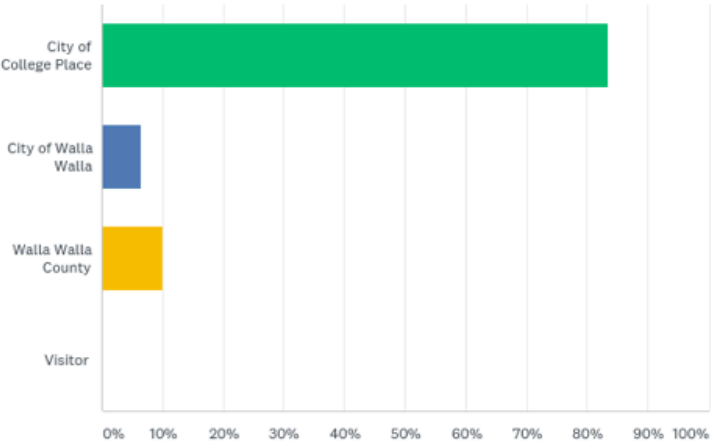
Q1: Where do you live?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of College Place	83.49%	91
City of Walla Walla	6.42%	7
Walla Walla County	10.09%	11
Visitor	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 109		

Q1: Where do you live?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



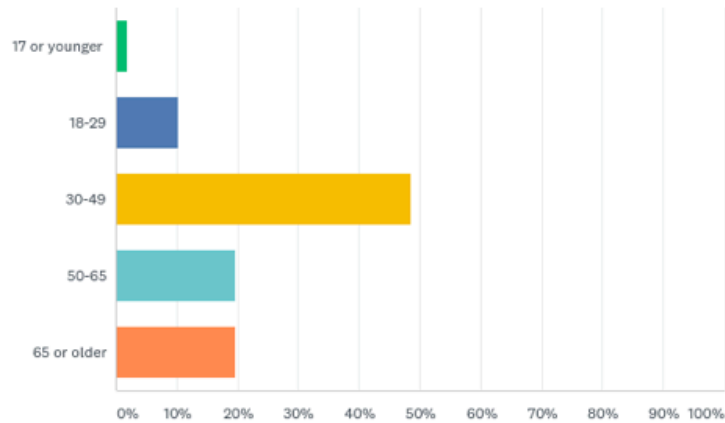
Q2: Which category includes your age?

Answered: 107 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
17 or younger	1.87%	2
18-29	10.28%	11
30-49	48.60%	52
50-65	19.63%	21
65 or older	19.63%	21
TOTAL		107

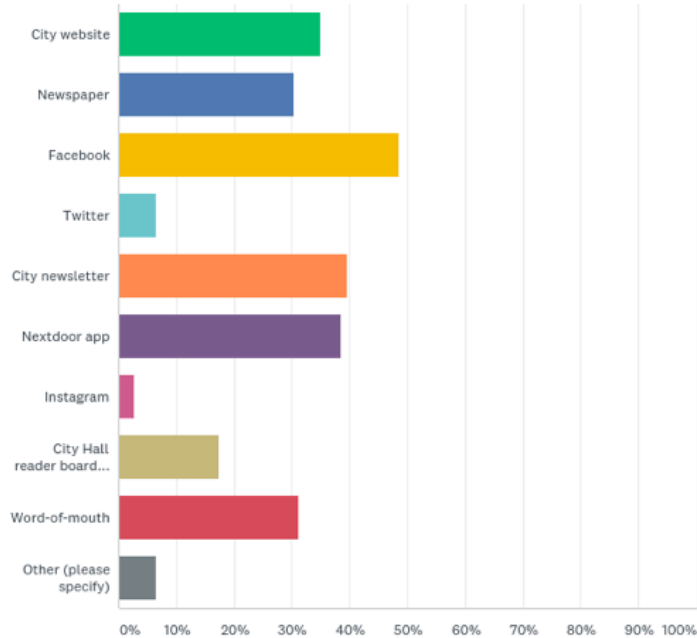
Q2: Which category includes your age?

Answered: 107 Skipped: 2



Q3: How do you receive your information about College Place park facilities?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



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Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City website	34.86%	38
Newspaper	30.28%	33
Facebook	48.62%	53
Twitter	6.42%	7
City newsletter	39.45%	43
Nextdoor app	38.53%	42
Instagram	2.75%	3
City Hall reader board sign	17.43%	19
Word-of-mouth	31.19%	34
Other (please specify)	6.42%	7
Total Respondents: 109		

Q4: How often do you visit College Place parks and facilities?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

	NEVER	LESS THAN 5 TIMES PER YEAR	5 TO 10 TIMES PER YEAR	ONCE PER MONTH	2 TO 5 TIMES PER MONTH	5 TO 10 TIMES PER MONTH	10+ TIMES PER MONTH	TOTAL
Lions Park	4.59% 5	26.61% 29	26.61% 29	9.17% 10	19.27% 21	5.50% 6	8.26% 9	109
Kiwanis Park	28.97% 31	33.64% 36	13.08% 14	5.61% 6	7.48% 8	3.74% 4	7.48% 8	107
Harvest Meadows Park	85.15% 86	11.88% 12	0.99% 1	0.99% 1	0.99% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	101
Veterans Park	77.00% 77	19.00% 19	1.00% 1	2.00% 2	1.00% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	100
Non-motorized trails (e.g. Whitman Drive multi-use path)	32.35% 33	17.65% 18	15.69% 16	5.88% 6	12.75% 13	6.86% 7	8.82% 9	102

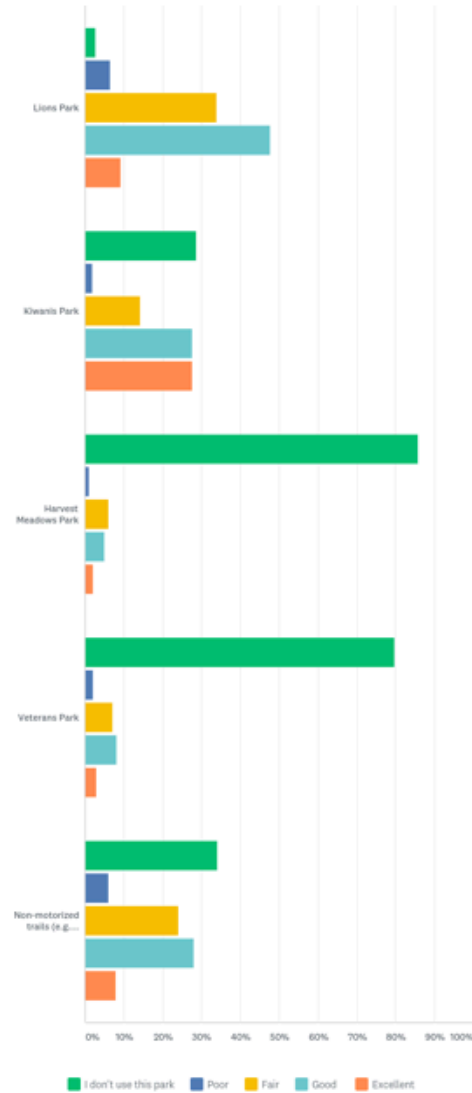
Q5: How do you rate the quality and conditions of College Place parks and facilities?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

	I DON'T USE THIS PARK	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT	TOTAL
Lions Park	2.75% 3	6.42% 7	33.94% 37	47.71% 52	9.17% 10	109
Kiwanis Park	28.57% 30	1.90% 2	14.29% 15	27.62% 29	27.62% 29	105
Harvest Meadows Park	85.86% 85	1.01% 1	6.06% 6	5.05% 5	2.02% 2	99
Veterans Park	79.80% 79	2.02% 2	7.07% 7	8.08% 8	3.03% 3	99
Non-motorized trails (e.g. Whitman Drive multi-use path)	34.00% 34	6.00% 6	24.00% 24	28.00% 28	8.00% 8	100

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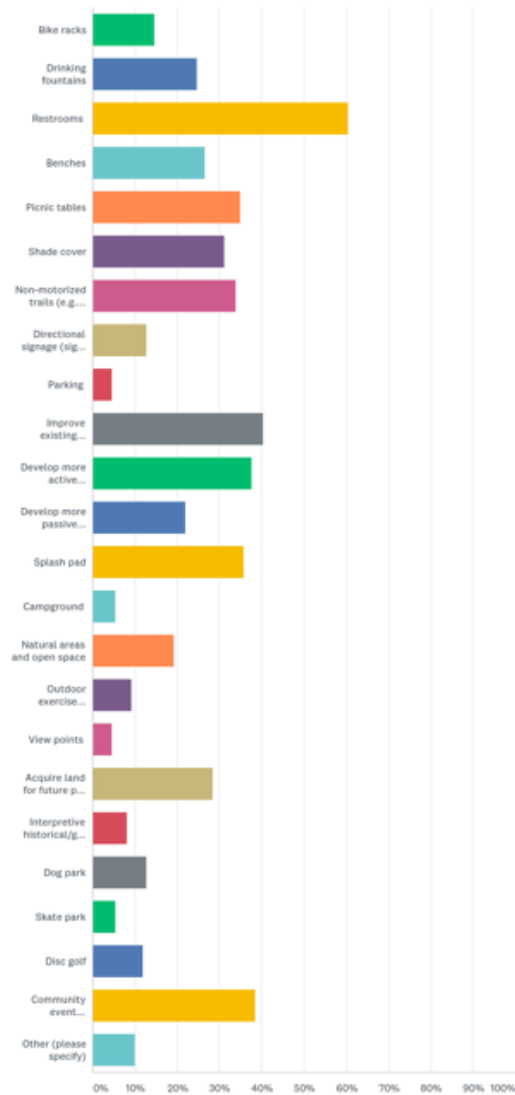
Q6: Which of the following should the City of College Place prioritize for their parks?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bike racks	14.68%	16
Drinking fountains	24.77%	27
Restrooms	60.55%	66
Benches	26.61%	29
Picnic tables	34.86%	38
Shade cover	31.19%	34
Non-motorized trails (e.g. Whitman Drive multi-use path)	33.94%	37
Directional signage (signs to trails, restrooms, parks, etc.)	12.84%	14
Parking	4.59%	5
Improve existing facilities	40.37%	44
Develop more active recreation (soccer, hiking, biking) opportunities	37.61%	41
Develop more passive recreation (picnicking, reading, bird watching, etc.) opportunities	22.02%	24
Splash pad	35.78%	39
Campground	5.50%	6
Natural areas and open space	19.27%	21
Outdoor exercise equipment	9.17%	10
View points	4.59%	5
Acquire land for future park development	28.44%	31
Interpretive historical/geological kiosks and signs	8.26%	9
Dog park	12.84%	14
Skate park	5.50%	6
Disc golf	11.93%	13
Community event center/amphitheater (music and movies in the park)	38.53%	42
Other (please specify)	10.09%	11
Total Respondents: 109		

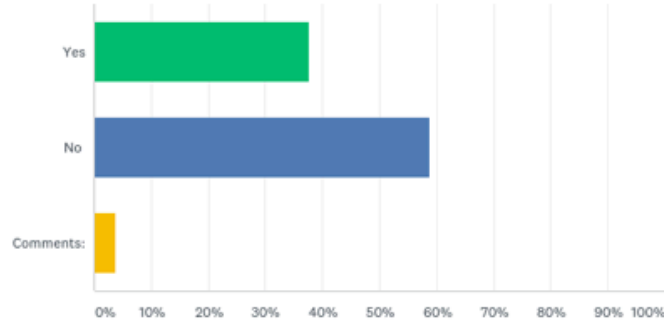
Q6: Which of the following should the City of College Place prioritize for their parks?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



Q7: Do you use College Place School District facilities for recreation?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



Q7: Do you use College Place School District facilities for recreation?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	37.61%	41
No	58.72%	64
Comments:	3.67%	4
TOTAL		109

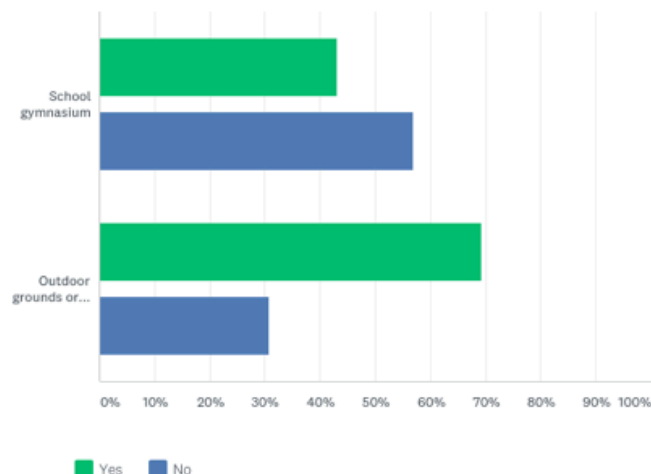
Q8: Would you use a school gymnasium or outdoor school sports facility or grounds on a regular basis if it were available after school operating hours?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

	YES	NO	TOTAL
School gymnasium	43.14% 44	56.86% 58	102
Outdoor grounds or sports facility	69.16% 74	30.84% 33	107

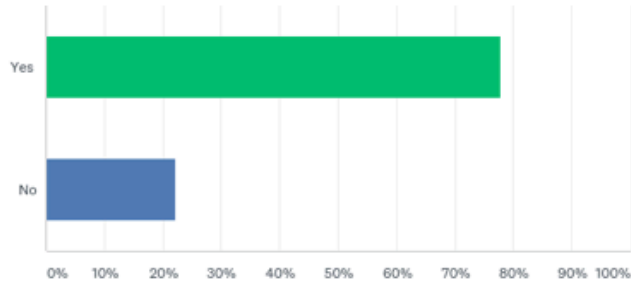
Q8: Would you use a school gymnasium or outdoor school sports facility or grounds on a regular basis if it were available after school operating hours?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



Q9: Do you think the City should offer recreational programming (leagues, fitness classes, organized activities)?

Answered: 104 Skipped: 5



Q9: Do you think the City should offer recreational programming (leagues, fitness classes, organized activities)?

Answered: 104 Skipped: 5

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	77.88%	81
No	22.12%	23
TOTAL		104

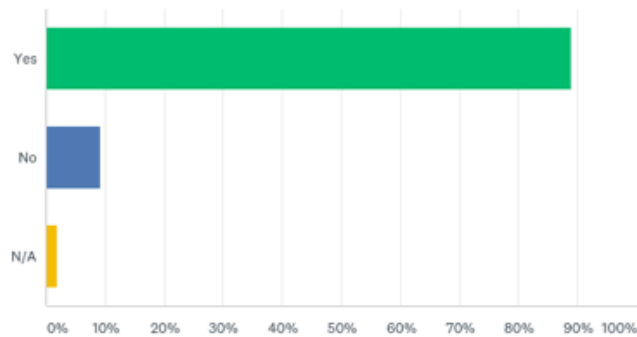
Q10: Do you feel safe in College Place parks?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	88.99%	97
No	9.17%	10
N/A	1.83%	2
TOTAL		109

Q10: Do you feel safe in College Place parks?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



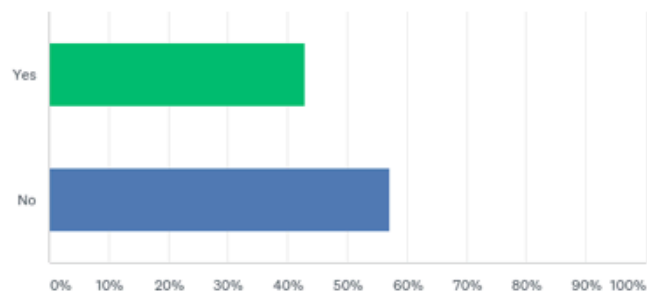
Q11: Do you think that College Place residents are currently underserved with Park Land?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 4

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	42.86%	45
No	57.14%	60
TOTAL		105

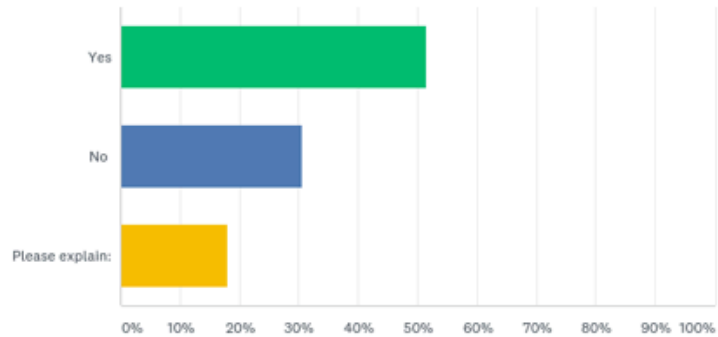
Q11: Do you think that College Place residents are currently underserved with Park Land?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 4



Q12: Are College Place's parks meeting your recreational needs?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 4



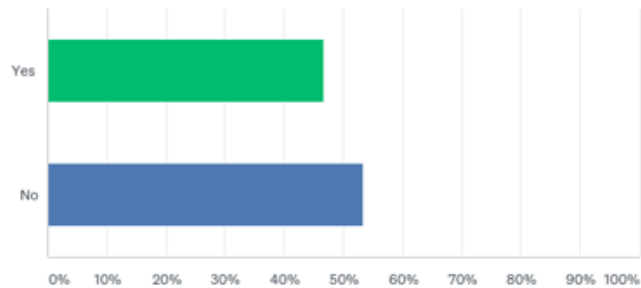
Q12: Are College Place's parks meeting your recreational needs?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 4

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	51.43%	54
No	30.48%	32
Please explain:	18.10%	19
TOTAL		105

Q13: Would you be willing to pay a reservation fee to use park facilities?

Answered: 107 Skipped: 2



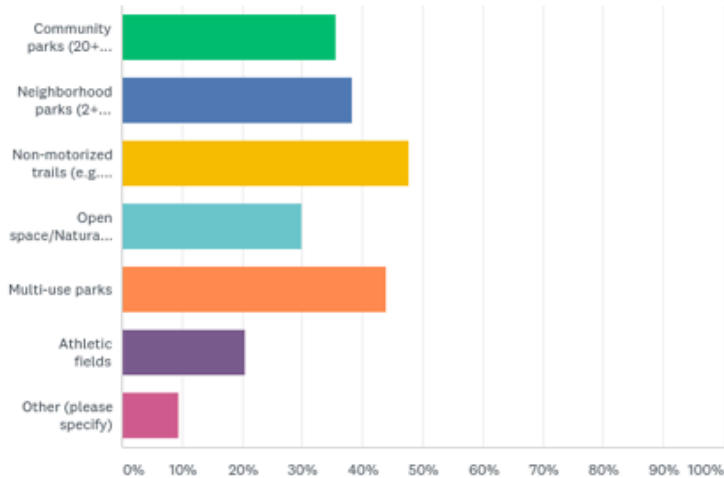
Q13: Would you be willing to pay a reservation fee to use park facilities?

Answered: 107 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	46.73%	50
No	53.27%	57
TOTAL		107

Q14: What kinds of new parks should College Place develop?

Answered: 107 Skipped: 2



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Answered: 107 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Community parks (20+ acres)	35.51%	38
Neighborhood parks (2+ acres)	38.32%	41
Non-motorized trails (e.g. Whitman Drive multi-use path)	47.66%	51
Open space/Natural areas preservation	29.91%	32
Multi-use parks	43.93%	47
Athletic fields	20.56%	22
Other (please specify)	9.35%	10
Total Respondents: 107		