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Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation Parks and Recreation Master Plan



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LSPR MISSION STATEMENT

To provide our community with outstanding recreational services, facilities, and parks.

VISION STATEMENT

Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation will continually provide Lee's Summit with a comprehensive range of Parks and Green Space, Facilities and Centers, and Programs and Activities that appeal to the diverse interests of our residents, thus enhancing their ability to enjoy the high quality of life that our city is recognized for.

AFFIRMATION

Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation is an extraordinary team of employees and volunteers dedicated to providing quality, innovative, and comprehensive recreational services, facilities and parks.

We are committed to engaging and serving all our citizens through benefit based activities and parks that are representative of the best practices of our profession.

We excel in patron service, responsible use of our fiscal and natural resources, and building our volunteer and community partnerships.

Our success is measured by the quality of life enjoyed by our citizens.

COMMUNITY PROFILE

The community profile examines factors in the City of Lee's Summit and the surrounding area that are relevant to parks and recreation planning. This section examines demographic patterns, land development patterns and the policies of the City of Lee's Summit Comprehensive Plan.

Demographics

The type and character of the parks, recreational facilities and open space appropriate for Lee's Summit follow the needs of the people of the community. Demographic characteristics and trends can be indicators of what facilities, activities and programs are most appropriate for a park and recreational system.

The demographic characteristics most applicable to park and recreation development are overall population trends which is an indicator of the amount of park land and recreational facilities necessary; population distribution which indicates the location of needed facilities; and age of population which is a principal indicator of the type of facilities and activity mix appropriate for Lee's Summit. Race or cultural background can also be important if distinct preferences are known for these sub-populations from



survey information. Examining demographic patterns is particularly important in determining how a community's needs differ from state and/or national facility targets.

Growth Patterns and Trends in Lee's Summit

For several decades, Lee's Summit has been one of the fastest growing cities in the Kansas City region. Population growth has increased in absolute number every decade since 1960. Average increase

per year was 9.6% in the 1960's, 7.7% in the 1970's, 6.1% in the 1980's, and 5.2% 1990's. The population almost doubled in the City between 1990 and 2010. The population numbers jumped from 46,418 to 91,364. The population continued to grow but in moderate numbers between 2010 and 2017 due to housing market slow down and gradual recovery afterwards. The population was estimated at almost 96,000 by the end of 2017.

Since 1990, the number of housing units in the City has grown from 18,755 to over 38,500. The following are principal reasons for the population boom in Lee's Summit: (The residential expansion of the metro reached Lee's Summit as land closer to downtown Kansas City was absorbed.)

- Good highways with the presence of I-470 and U.S. 50.
- Good school districts and improving school facilities
- Good emergency services and low crime rate
- Improved shopping and retail opportunities

Future Population Projections

Future populations may be projected for defined geographic areas in many different ways. No matter which way is used, certain assumptions are normally made about certain future conditions in order to avoid arbitration. However, this also means that chances exist that the reality will not agree with these



assumptions, in which case the projections will be off. Since the future is always unknown until it becomes reality, reasonable assumptions are necessary for supporting the projections while giving them room for future adjustments.

The population projection presented below was derived under the following assumptions:

- The residential vacancy rate will remain stable;
- The average household size will remain at current level;
- The undeveloped land within the existing city limits designated for residential development will be developed as shown in the current land use plan;
- The average density for low-density residential use will remain at 3 housing units per acre; and.
- The average density for multi-family residential use will remain at 8 housing units per acre.

The projection utilizes the historical population statistics, the city's land use survey, future land use projection and a statistical regression model. The primary goal of this projection is to derive a build out population that will be reasonably accommodated by the available land designated for residential growth within the existing city boundary and generate interim population forecasts by using a regression model. Thus, these projections are both controlled by historical growth trends and the actual and projected land use statistics.

The projected trend suggests that the growth rate will gradually level off or the population will grow at a decreasing rate. The table and the chart below demonstrate the projection and the projected trend.

Year	Population
1960	8,267
1970	16,230
1980	28,742
1990	46,486
2000	70,700
2010	91,364
2017 (current est)	95,784
2020 est	101,900
2030 est	109,700
2040 est	114,000

Table 1: Population projections from City of Lee's Summit Planning and Development Department (2017)

It should be pointed out that many factors may potentially make the projected results invalid as time goes by. Constant adjustments to these projections are needed, as the impact of these factors on the future growth is known. Some of these influencing factors include changes in corporate boundaries, local economic development strategies, local growth policies, and national or regional economy.

Land Use Patterns and Land Development Trends

The City of Lee's Summit Comprehensive Plan 2005, as amended, sets the policy and direction for future land use for Lee's Summit. The following are excerpts from the Comprehensive Plan (revised here slightly to eliminate information no longer valid today) that are most pertinent to Parks and Recreation planning.

Current Land Use

The existing land uses define the community's current physical being and will help shape its future. In order to fully understand this physical being, citywide existing land use information has been compiled



statistically and geographically using state-of-the-art Geographic Information System (GIS) and this information is updated every year as the Planning & Development Department prepares its annual Development Report .

Lee's Summit used to be perceived generally as one of the Kansas City suburban "bedroom" communities. A high percentage of land development in the City was for residential housing. Commercial and industrial uses counted for a very small percentage of the developed areas. The land use percentage distribution created a significant imbalance between residences and services. The result was shortage of services and employment opportunities for local residents, and for the City, a lack of revenue from non-residential property tax and sales tax. This imbalance prompted City officials to find solutions to change the trend. More than a decade ago, the City adopted new strategies to promote commercial and

industrial development to achieve a vision of a better balance. The percentage of commercial and industrial development has been increasing as a result.

Low Rural Residential	Medium Density Residential	Commercial/ Office	Industrial	Public/Semi-public/Parkland/Lake	Vacant	Total
28.3%	2.3%	3.4%	2.3%	33.7%	30.0%	100.0%

Table 2: Distribution of land uses for Lee’s Summit, Missouri (2016)

A higher degree of mix of land uses occurs in the downtown and its adjacent areas;

1. Commercial, service and office uses are clustered along major transportation corridors;
2. Industrial uses are concentrated around the airport and adjacent to the two railroad lines;



3. Lakes, county parks and regional outdoor recreational areas are scattered all around the City either on or adjacent to the City's corporate limit

4. Single-family residential development shows three major clusters- the largest cluster along the east-west band across the center of town between Colbern Road and Scherer Road, the cluster at the north end of the City that includes Lakewood communities and neighboring

subdivisions, and the cluster around Raintree Lake area at the south end of the City;

5. Multi-family residential has higher concentration around the City's central core and relatively evenly distributed in other areas;
6. The land owned by Property Reserve, Inc. (PRI) totaling over 4,000 acres is located between the three land use clusters mentioned above; and
7. Rural residential and limited farming is concentrated in the south area

Our Community's Parks, Recreation & Cultural Challenge Today

Before our vision of the future could be shaped, a clear understanding of the present was necessary. Parks and Recreation staff, Board members and community leaders developed a foundation of current information and challenges upon which the Visionary Task Force members could build their vision. Some of the significant factors found include:



- Rapid residential growth
- Diminishing open space preservation opportunities
- Land cost escalation
- Diminishing per capita park land and facilities such as athletic fields, walking and cycling trails, playgrounds, tennis courts and swimming pools
- Increasing recreational needs for seniors and teenagers
- Increasing awareness of the needs of people with disabilities
- Increasing interest in cultural activities
- Management of information disseminated via social media
- Technology affecting outdoor play
- Meeting obligations of standards for community open space
- Duplication of services in the community (ex: outdoor concerts, races, fitness events)
- Lack of staff and retention of good employees
- Obesity leading to inactivity and less participation
- Maintaining parks at a high standard with continued growth
- Security of patrons, employees, and property

Current Land Use Map - January 2017

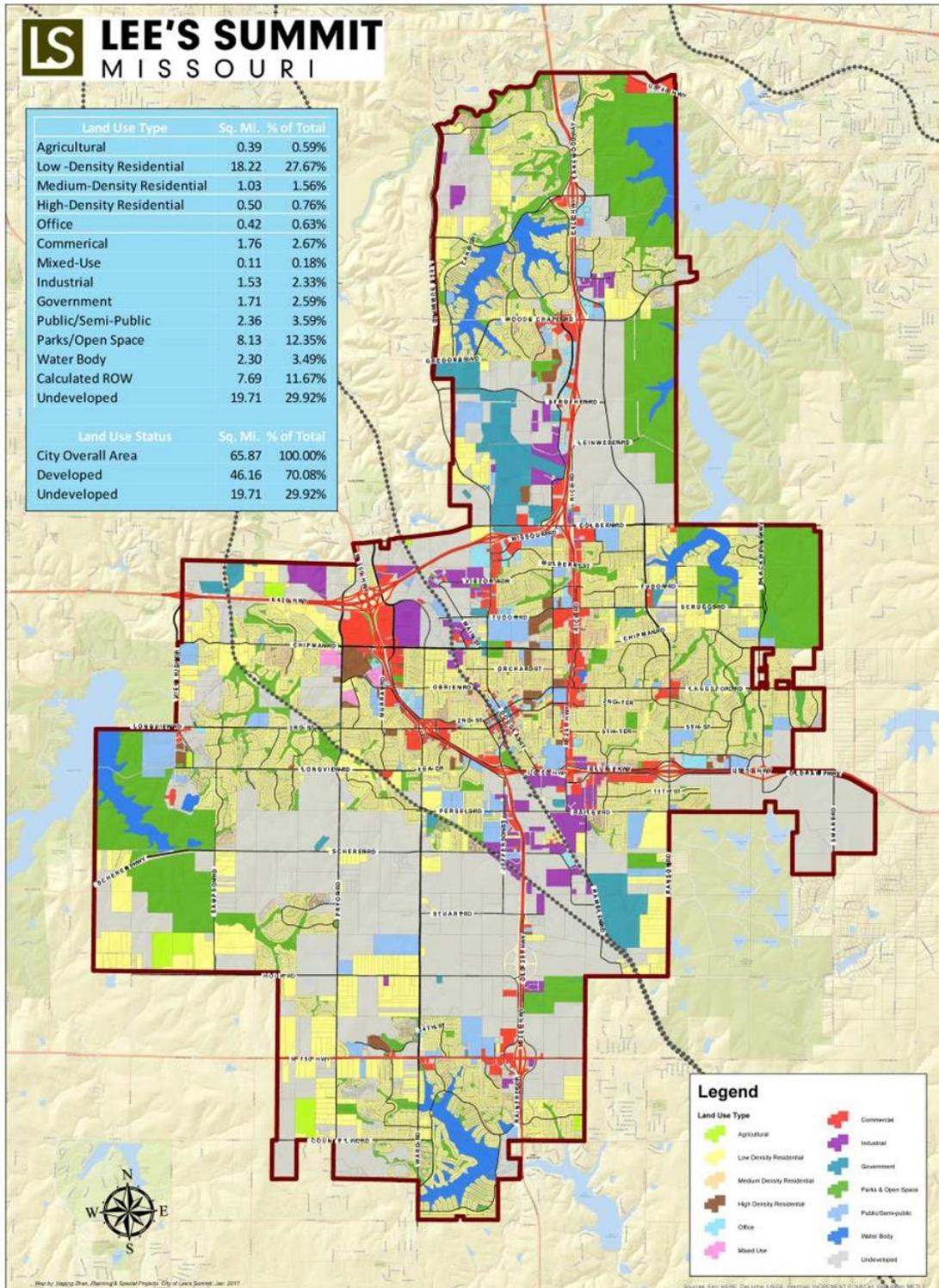


Table 3: Land Use Map 1

Land Use Plan Recommendations for Lee's Summit

In the current Comprehensive Plan, recommended land use types are grouped under 7 major categories: Agricultural (Rural Residential), Low Density Residential, Medium/High Density Residential, Park/Golf Course/Green/Open Space, Public/Semi-public, Commercial/Service/Office, Industrial and Planned Mixed Use.

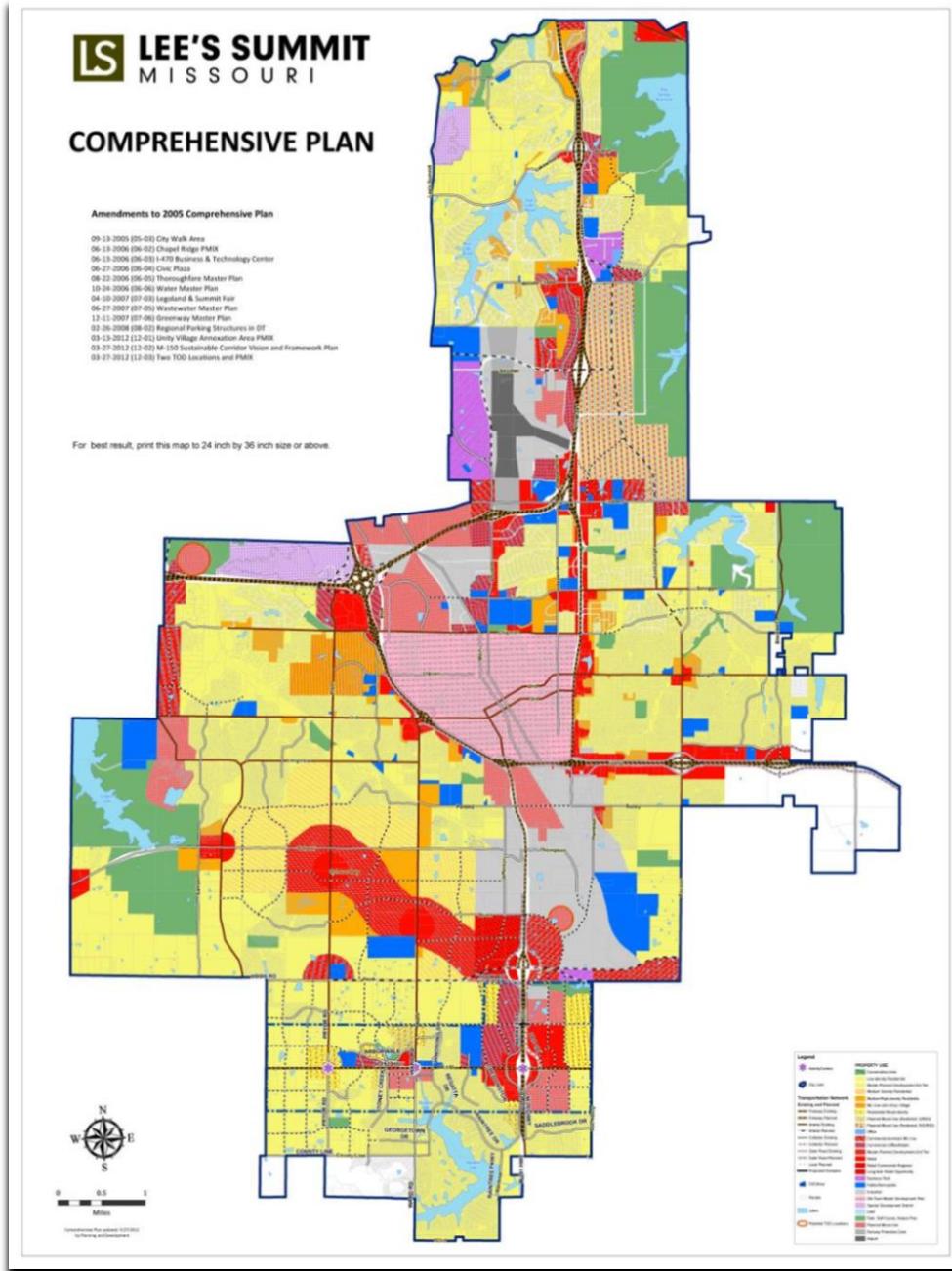


Table 4: Comprehensive Land Use Map 1

**PARK
AND TRAILS
INVENTORY
AS OF
DECEMBER, 2017**

Facility/Park	Arborwalk	Bailey Farm Park	Banner	Canterbury	Deer Valley	Dogwood	Eagle Creek	Gamber Center	Happy Tails	Harris	Hartman
Football Field											
Soccer Field											
Baseball Diamond			2								
Softball Diamond											3
Tennis Court			4								
Pickleball Court			4								
Multi-Use Court											
Basketball Court											
Skate Features											
Skate Park											
Volleyball Court											
Shuffleboard Court											
Horseshoe Area											
Campsite											
Nature or Interpretive Trail											
Multi-Use Trails (LF)	4260	0	2175	3817	4200	1550	3350	1680	1640	1880	3340
Picnic Shelter			1							1	
Total Shelter SF			600							900	
Picnic Table										8	
Horse Arena											
Outdoor Swimming Pool										1	
Amphitheatre											
Golf Course (9 or 18 hole)											
Disc Golf Course											
Ice Skating Rink											
Boat Ramp											
Playground	1		2		1				1	2	1
Play Area Square Footage	4735	0	4193	0	5086	0	0	0	4480	13514	4390
Splashpad											
Total Park Acreage	17.2	49.3	20.7	4.4	26.4	6	26.5	4.35	4.89	19	20.1
Developed Areas											
Mow	6.18	1.6	9.41	2.75	8.75	4.69	8.84	1.55	3.12	10.57	9.67
Grooming-Infields	0	0	0.44	0	0		0	0	0	0	1.14
Hard Surface courts	0	0	0.74	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
Parking/Drives/Walks/Roof	1	0	0.26	0	0.33	1.3	0	2.36	1.5	7.8	3.11
Mulched or Sand Areas	0.11	0	0.96	0	0.12		0	0.44	0.27	0.65	0.29
Maintained/Active Areas	7.29	1.6	11.81	2.75	9.2	5.99	8.84	4.35	4.89	19.02	14.21
Total Parking Spaces	0	0	20	0	5	35	0	125	28	453	245
Undeveloped/Low or No maint.	9.91	47.7	8.89	1.65	17.2	0	17.66	0	0	0	5.89
Active stream corridor (lf)			1356		2630		5960	0			2430

Facility/Park	Howard	Howard Station	Kensington Farms (Undeveloped)	Langsford Plaza and Ruiz Property	South Lea McKeighan	North Lea McKeighan	Legacy	Lowenstein	LS Hist Cemetery	McKee	Miller J. Fields
Football Field							3				
Soccer Field							12				
Baseball Diamond						2	16				
Softball Diamond							8				3
Tennis Court											
Pickleball Court											
Multi-Use Court											
Basketball Court								0.5			
Skate Features	2										
Skate Park						1					
Volleyball Court						4					
Shuffleboard Court											
Horseshoe Area											
Campsite											
Nature or Interpretive Trail											
Multi-Use Trails (LF)	3040	0		1600	4000	0	26601	5200		3600	2900
Picnic Shelter					1		4	3			2
Total Shelter SF				1000			5440	2120			1400
Picnic Table				8	4	4	24	15			12
Horse Arena											
Outdoor Swimming Pool											
Amphitheatre							1				
Golf Course (9 or 18 hole)											
Disc Golf Course							1				
Ice Skating Rink											
Boat Ramp							1				
Playground	1			1	1	1	3	1			1
Play Area Square Footage	2930	0		0	12000	700	23958	4250		0	5230
Splashpad											1
Total Park Acreage	20	0.49	20	7	11	10.8	692	17.7	18.3	18.9	18.7
Developed Areas											
Mow	5.23	0.35	0	5.67	7.7	3.5	73.56	12.57	17.59	5.09	13.03
Grooming-Infields	0	0			0	0	8.76	0	0	0	0.96
Hard Surface courts	0.6	0			0	3	0	0.05	0.7	0	0
Parking/Drives/Walks/Roof	1.17	0.14		0.03	2.5	3	71.1	1.95	0	0	1.71
Mulched or Sand Areas	0.05	0			0.8	1	0.17	0.1	0	0	0.11
Maintained/Active Areas	7.05	0.49	0	5.7	11	10.5	153.59	14.67	18.29	5.09	15.81
Total Parking Spaces	40	0		0	100	150	2332	68	0	0	147
Undeveloped/Low or No maint.	12.95	0	20	1.3	0	0.3	538.41	3	0	13.81	2.89
Active stream corridor (lf)	510			870	0		1230			3800	
Lake Ac							23.6				

Facility/Park	Park West (Undeveloped)	Pleasant Lea	Pottberg	Osage Trails	Ruiz Property (undeveloped)	South Lea	Summit	Velie	Wadsworth	Williams-Grant	Winterset	Woods	Totals
Football Field													0
Soccer Field													0
Baseball Diamond							1						1
Softball Diamond		1											1
Tennis Court		2					3						5
Pickleball Court													4
Multi-Use Court		2											2
Basketball Court						0.5			0.5				1
Skate Features													0
Skate Park													1
Volleyball Court													0
Shuffleboard Court													0
Horseshoe Area							3						3
Campsite													0
Nature or Interpretive Trail								2000			5000		7000
Multi-Use Trails (LF)		4200	1045	3540		536	0	5000	0	1440	0	0	15761
Picnic Shelter			1	1			1		1				4
Total Shelter SF			700	700			2000		700				4100
Picnic Table			4	2			15		3				24
Horse Arena													0
Outdoor Swimming Pool													1
Amphitheatre													1
Golf Course (9 or 18 hole)													0
Disc Golf Course													1
Ice Skating Rink													0
Boat Ramp													0
Playground		1	1	1		2	1	1	1	1		1	10
Play Area Square Footage		4450	4800	5500		3243	4600	4210	1600	3740	0	875	
Splashpad													
Total Park Acreage	50	16.4	25.5	19.5	3	1	6.5	31.7	1.9	4	10.2	0.5	170.2
Developed Areas													
Mow	0	4.82	0.58	10.99	2	0.8	5.06	15.29	1.55	2.96	0	0.44	44.49
Grooming-Infields		0.14	0	0		0	0.35	0	0	0	0	0	0.49
Hard Surface courts		0.39	0	0		0.02	0.41	0	0.18	0	0	0.03	1.03
Parking/Drives/Walks/Roof		1.31	0.78	1.28		0.12	0.55	0.24	0.13	0.1	0	0	4.51
Mulched or Sand Areas		0.1	0.13	0.25		0.08	0.13	0.09	0.04	0.1	0	0.03	0.95
Maintained/Active Areas	0	6.76	1.49	12.52	2	1.02	6.5	15.62	1.9	3.16	0	0.5	51.47
Total Parking Spaces		16	0	36		0	68	5	8	5	0	0	
Undeveloped/Low or No maint.	50	9.64	24.01	6.98	1	0	0	16.08	0	1	10.2	0	118.73
Active stream corridor (lf)		1541	800	1410		140		3675					7566
Lake Ac													

Updated Greenway Trail Calculations					
10.1.17					
Existing Segments					
Route	Segment	Type	Surface	Designation	Distance
All Parks Trails					
Arborwalk	1301 SW Arbor Park Drive	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.83
Banner (Upper)	520 NE Noeleen	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.37
Canterbury	501 SE Blackwell Rd	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.71
Dogwood	51 NW Victoria Drive	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.3
Deer Valley	1400 NE Neawanna Dr	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.79
Eagle Creek	2561 SW Golden Eagle Dr	Linear	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.64
Happy Tails	1251 SE Ranson Rd	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.29
Harris	601 SW Jefferson	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.35
Hartman	700 SW Old Pryor Rd	Linear	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.57
Howard	3498 NE Independence	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.58
Langsford Plaza	11709 SE Langsford Rd	Linear	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.35
Lea McKeighan (South)	120 NE Chipman Rd	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.66
Legacy	1801 NE Coneflower Dr	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	3.56
Lowenstein	1901 NW Lowenstein Dr	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.99
McKee	601 NE Todd George Rd	Linear	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.69
Miller J Fields	1301 SE 3rd Terr	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.57
Osage Trails	4201 SW Pryor Rd	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.67
Pleasant Lea	1100 SW Walnut St	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.75
Pottberg	5200 Campground Rd	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.26
South lea	819 SW Lea Dr	Linear	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.1
Velie	2 NW Anderson Dr	Linear	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.94
Williams Grant	401 SE Howard St	Loop	Asphalt	Park Trail	0.27
Winterset Nature Area	700 SW Pryor Rd	Loop	Wood Mulch	Park Trail	0.58
All Parks Trails					15.82
Shared Use Paths					
Colbern Rd.	291 to E. side of Legacy	Shared Use Path off Road	Asphalt	connector route	2.91
Todd George Rd.	Colbern Rd. to Bailey Rd.	Shared Use Path off Road	Asphalt	Primary and Connector	3.59
Blackwell Rd.	Colbern Rd. to Langsford Rd.	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	Primary Loop	2.02
Pryor Rd.	Chipman to Longview + park access	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	1.75
Ward Rd.	3rd St. to County Line Road	Shared Use Path off Road	Combination	connector route	4.75
Bailey Road	MO-291 to Hamblen (over RR to Co bev.)	Shared Use Path	TBD	connector	0.63
Scruggs Rd.	291 to Blackwell Pkwy.	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	2.00
Independence Ave.	Colbern to Tudor	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	1.00
Tudor Road	Douglas to Ward	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	0.68
Chipman Rd.	Independence to Commerce	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	1.00
Longview Rd.	Bridlewood to Ward	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	2.50
Lee's Summit Road	Colbern to Truman Med Center	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	2.23
3rd Street	View High Dr. to Peale	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	0.50
Woods Chapel Rd. (in progress)	I-470 to Liggett Road	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	2.00
Little Blue Trace Trail	I-470 to Lees Summit Road	Shared Use Path off Road	Crushed Lime	Primary Loop	2.58
Missouri 150	Ward to Horridge	Shared Use Path off Road	Concrete	connector route	2.05
Total Shared Use Paths					32.19

Longview Bike Loop		On road paved shoulder		Primary and connector	10	
Lakewood Bike Loop		On road bike lane markings		connector route	6.75	
Raintree Bike Loop		On road wide curb with signage		connector route	4.38	
Total Bike Loops					21.13	
Total Constructed Primary/Secondary Trails					53.32	
Trails Constructed Primary/Secondary+Park Trails					69.14	
On road wide curb lane with signage						
Blackwell/Shenandoah	Langsford to Todd George	on road	street surface	primary route	2.00	
Pryor Road	Longview Rd. to MO 150	Bike Ped Shoulders	asphalt street surf	connector route	3.50	
Chipman Road/McKee connector	McKee Park to Blackwell Pkwy.	on road	street surface	connector route	0.75	
Missouri 150 Share the Road	Market to Ward	on road	street surface	connector route	1.02	
					TOTAL (ALL TRAILS)	76.41
Proposed Segments						
Little Blue Trace						
Little Blue Trace	Longview Lake to Lee's Summit Road	Shared Use Path off Road	CL	primary route	12.3	
Jackson County Lake Route	US 40 to Legacy Park	on road	TBD	primary route	6.97	
Lee's Summit Road	TMC to Little Blue River	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	2.65	
Bailey/Shamrock segment	Ranson to MO-291	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt or CL	primary route	4.1	
School Route (Mouse Creek)	MO-291 to Sampson	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt or CL	primary route	4.03	
Colbern/Bannister	I-470 to Little Blue River	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	3.65	
Chipman	Commerce to View High	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	3.54	
Independence Ave/Chapel Ridge	Dick Howser Drive to Colbern	combination	TBD	connector route	3.27	
Langsford/2nd St.	Blackwell to Douglas	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	3.23	
Eagle Creek Spur	Eagle Creek to Jefferson	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	3.03	
Cedar Creek	Little Blue to Pryor Road	Shared Use Path off Road	Asphalt or CL	connector route	2.90	
Jefferson/Market/O'Brien	US 50 to Pryor Road	on road	TBD	connector route	2.88	
Todd George Extension	Colbern to Woods Chapel	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	2.71	
Scherer Road	Ward Road to Sampson	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	2.48	
Jefferson Street	US 50 to Hook Road	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	2.45	
Bowlin Rd./Pottberg/Campground	I-1470 to US40 Highway	Share the Road	TBD	connector route	2.33	
Cedar Creek Extension	Hartman to Pleasant Lea Park	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	2.16	
Eagle Creek North Spur	Eagle Creek to Sampson Rd. thru Scherer	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	2.13	
33rd Street trail	Summit Lakes sch to Pryor	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	1.88	
Maybrook Drive	Lakewood Blvd to Little Blue River	Share the Road	TBD	connector route	1.85	
Cedar Creek Spur	Longview Rd. to LSW HS	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	1.78	
Main Street	Chipman to Bannister	Shared Use Path off Road	Asphalt or CL	connector route	1.72	
Banner Park Trail	Langsford to Todd George/Scruggs ints	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	1.42	
Tudor Road	MO 291 to Douglas	Shared Use Path off Road	TBD	connector route	1.00	
Miller J. Trail	Langsford to Vista Drive	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	1.27	
MO-150 Spur	MO 150/Summit Lake sch To Hook	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	1.07	
Douglas/Orchard/Olive	2nd Street to Chipman	on road	TBD	connector route	1.06	
County Park Route	Sampson to Scherer	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt or CL	primary route	1.06	
Independence Ave	Tudor to 2nd St.	On Road - Share the Road?	TBD	connector route	1.00	
Wood Chapel Road	Channel Dr. to I-470	On road	TBD	connector route	0.87	
McKee Trail phase II	Hunter property	Shared Use Path off Road	asphalt	connector route	0.30	
Total Proposed Primary and Secondary Routes					83.09	
In development but not on Greenway Plan						
Tudor Road	Main to Ward (over RR)	Shared Use Path	TBD	connector	0.37	

BENCHMARKING FOR LEVEL OF SERVICE

The purpose of a level of service (LOS) standard is to best determine how well Lee’s Summit Parks and Recreation meets the needs of its residents. According to the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA), the basic definition of Level of Service is an allocation mechanism for the delivery of the appropriate parks and recreation facilities throughout a given community. By using these standards, Lee’s Summit is giving its residents equal opportunity to share in basic parks and recreation services regardless if the residents utilize the facilities or pay taxes in our community.

From 1971 to 1995, NRPA published the “National Park, Recreation and Open Space Standards” as a minimum set of benchmarks to guide agencies. Despite disclaimers that these guidelines were to be used only as a basis for a more thorough and specific analysis, these standards were often cited verbatim in master plans and level-of-service recommendations. Over time, NRPA came to realize that prescribing “one-size-fits-all” standards for communities as diverse as those served by members was not serving agencies or citizens well.

The typical park and recreation agency offers one park for every 2,266 residents served, with 9.6 acres



of parkland per 1,000 residents. The population of Lee’s Summit in 2017 is estimated at 95,784 with approximately 1,204 acres of parkland for an average of 12.4 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents thus slightly below the standard. But park and recreation agencies are as diverse as the communities that they serve, and what works well for one agency may not be best for the other.

NRPA Park Metrics are the most recent and comprehensive source of data standards and insights for park and recreation agencies. Launched in 2009 and previously known as *PRORAGIS*, these agency performance resources assist park and recreation professionals in the effective management and planning of their operating resources and capital facilities. This suite of tools allows park and recreation agencies to build customized reports that allow for comparisons with peer agencies. Park and recreation professionals can use this benchmark data to gain more funding support, improve operations and better serve their communities.

LSPR used as comparators the following Class A agencies based on population of between 75,000-150,000 that were also CAPRA accredited and fit the demographic makeup of Lee’s Summit across different geographical areas of the United States. A mean average of various types of park amenities and facilities were calculated from these comparator agencies and compared to LSPR.

	City of Allen, TX	City of Bellevue, WA	City of Bloomington, IN	City of Columbia, SC	City of Gainesville, FL	City of Largo, FL	City of Lee's Summit, MO	City of Plymouth, MN	City of Renton, WA	City of Roswell, GA	City of St. George, UT	City of Surprise, AZ	(Mean) Averages	LSPR Compared to Average
Accredited	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes		
Gold Medal	No	2005	2007	No	No	No	2010	No	No	2017	2015	No		
Population	97,807	134,400	84,067	133,803	128,460	83,065	96,076	75,057	101,300	92,364	87,500	132,677	103,881	-7,805
FT Employees	103	140	54	157	83	66	42	40	94	108	14	66	81	-39
Total Park Acres	1156	2721	2273	621	3303	391	1177	1514	1227	966	552	336	1,353	-176
Undeveloped Park Acres	N/A	570	29	226	2803	91	735	156	757	390	257	0	547	188
Trail Miles Managed or Maintained	N/A	97	18	31	39.5	10	76	159	10	30	N/A	0	47	29
# of Recreation Centers	1	5	3	14	11	4	3	1	2	6	2	4	5	-2
Ice Rink	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No		
Amphitheater	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No		
Nature Center	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No		
# of Playgrounds	37	44	26	53	49	11	30	43	20	13	21	13	30	0
# of Community Gardens	0	3	3	10	8	2	1	1	2	2	29	1	5	-4
# of Outdoor Basketball Courts	10	26	36	23	30	9	3	24	12	7	17	17	18	-15
# of Tennis Courts	N/A	38	21	57	23	12	9	24	17	28	13	27	24	-15
# of Youth Baseball Diamonds	0	16	4	17	8	4	20	21	11	14	0	3	10	10
# of Adult Baseball Diamonds	0	2	2	0	1	0	4	4	4	2	0	16	3	1
# of Youth Softball Diamonds	4	14	0	0	3	0	12	5	11	4	0	7	5	7
# of Adult Softball Diamonds	3	2	8	5	2	4	3	4	9	3	15	4	5	-2
# of Dog Parks	N/A	2	1	3	4	2	2	3	1	3	2	3	2	0
# of Outdoor Pools	2	2	2	2	3	2	1	0	1	1	1	2	2	-1
# of Multipurpose Fields	0	3	0	10	2	4	12	36	11	3	1	8	8	5
# of Football Fields	2	0	1	0	1	1	3	0	7	1	0	4	2	1
# of Adult Soccer Fields	0	3	0	0	2	0	3	0	2	5	0	2	1	2
# of Youth Soccer Fields	0	10	0	0	2	4	16	0	5	8	0	1	4	12
# of Gyms	1	4	1	5	1	3	2	0	1	7	1	2	2	0

Table 5: Peer Benchmarking by facility 1

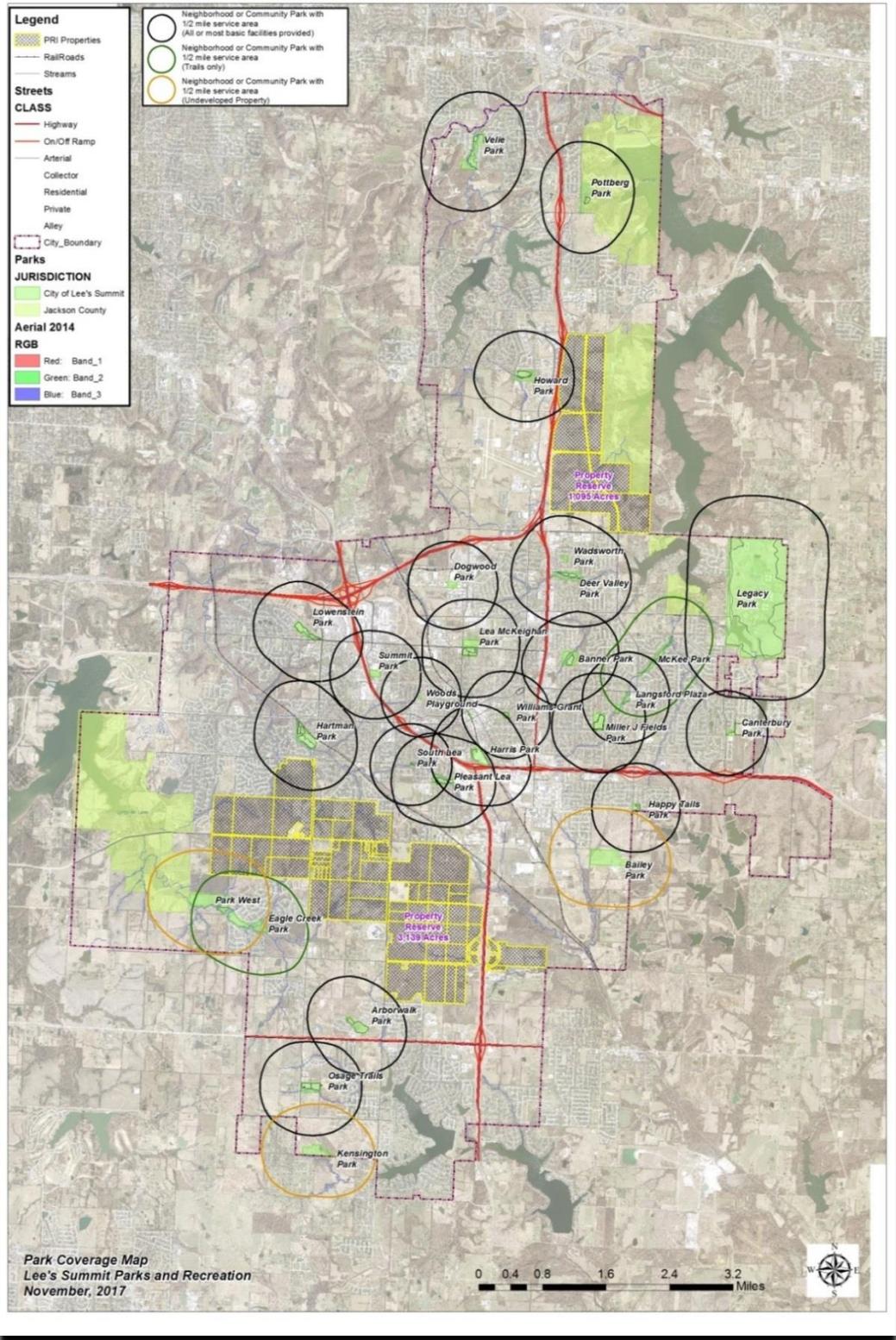


Table 6: Coverage area for LS Parks 1

Level of Service Assessment and Commentary

While a one size fits all approach is neither practical nor feasible for most agencies, a careful assessment of metric facility data compared to “peer” communities is a good measuring stick for Lees Summit Parks and Recreation and our community expectations regarding its park system. In an active and fiscally supportive community such as Lee’s Summit, comparisons to peer communities should be at or above the average in a majority of the facilities.

More careful analysis of the metric data for LSPR’s peer group, the agency is at or above the average in 12 of 20 park metrics with a high level of performance in the area of trail miles per capita and number of youth softball and soccer facilities. The areas showing significant deficiencies are in number of basketball courts and number of tennis courts per capital and modest deficiency in total park acres per capita. When combined with county parks facilities (Jackson County Fleming Park and Longview Lake Park) and school district facilities, the metric data shows a rise in significantly deficient areas and surplus in total park acres per capita.

With a projected population growth expected in the 15-20% range over the next 20-25 years demand for additional facilities will continue to expand. Agency staff will continue to review industry trends but pay close attention to community feedback with demands for new and renovated facilities to keep up with peer metrics and community needs.

Strategic Plan Process

The Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation Board (LSPR) engaged its citizens late in 2015 by collecting data over several months to assist in the development of a new strategic plan for the parks and recreation department and to determine community support to extend the current ¼ cent parks sales tax. The current parks sales tax was used in several capacities, including acquisition and development of land, funding for capital projects, renovations to existing parks, development of trails, and to support operations at the Gamber Community Center.

The following information is a summary of the data that was collected through several surveys and a citizens' task force. The information was used to identify goals which assisted in the development of an updated strategic plan.

Citizen Survey Summary

In November 2015, LSPR administered a citizens' survey to seek input on the importance of specific amenities, features, and services which may be considered for future development. In addition, LSPR also asked respondents to indicate the likelihood of supporting a ¼ cent sales tax to continue making



improvements to the park system past 2018 after the current parks sales tax ends. Finally, respondents were given an opportunity to provide additional comments and suggestions. A total of 1,113 valid surveys were returned with Lee's Summit Zip Codes between November 25, 2015 and December 3, 2015. The surveys were distributed via social media and e-blast. Duplicate IP addresses were removed from the data to minimize the potential of one person completing multiple surveys.

The first question asked respondents to rate the perceived importance of 25 different features using a scale from 1 to 5 with 1 being "Not Important" and 5 being "Very Important." A summary of the findings listed by priority and including the overall score are provided below.

Feature	Score
1. Restrooms in Parks	4.48
2. Greenways/Trails for Walking and Biking	4.28
3. Shade in Parks/Playgrounds	4.03
4. Renovations to Existing Parks/Facilities	3.94
5. Youth Sports Outdoor Practice Space	3.85
6. Having a Neighborhood Park within ½ mile of Residence	3.82
7. Adventure Park	3.81

8.	Development of Blueway	3.70
9.	Acquisition of Open Green Space for Parks	3.63
10.	Sled Hill	3.60
11.	Nature center	3.55
12.	Field House for Indoor Multi-Use Activity	3.51
13.	Off-road Dirt Trail for Bikes and Running	3.43
14.	Safety Town	3.41
15.	Additional Splashpad(s)	3.39
16.	Farm Park	3.35
17.	Wave Pool at Summit Waves	3.24
18.	Additional Community Centers	3.20
19.	Ice Rink	3.04
20.	Outdoor Fitness Equipment	2.92
21.	Synthetic Turf Fields (practice/games)	2.58
22.	Additional Tennis Court(s)	2.48
23.	Public Art in Parks	2.45
24.	Additional Disc Golf Course(s)	2.30
25.	Outdoor Pickleball Court(s)	2.12



Question two on the survey asked respondents to indicate how supportive they would be to continue a ¼ cent sales tax for park improvements. 88.6% of the respondents indicated they would definitely or most likely support a continuation of the sales tax. A summary of the results is provided below. Table A provides a summary of the information as a pie chart.

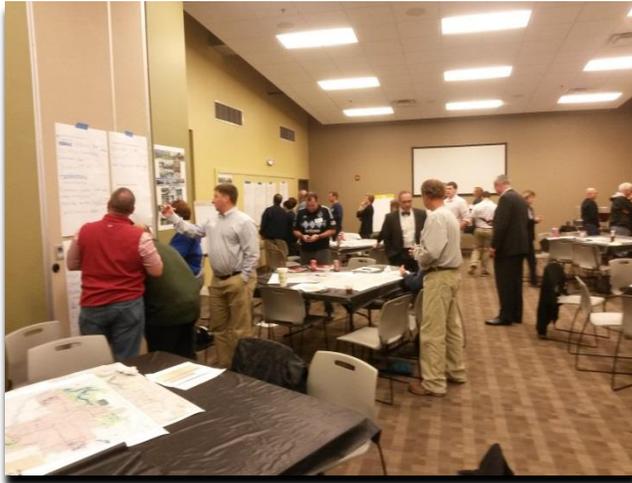
Level of Support	Responses
Yes – Definitely	62.6%
Yes – Most Likely	26.0%
I’m unsure at this time	8.5%
No – Not Likely	1.7%
No – Definitely Not	1.2%

Finally, respondents were provided an opportunity to share additional comments. Over 440 comments were received. A summary of the comments related to park improvements are outlined below:

61 comments were related to trails including requests for more trails, specific types of trails, and locations for trails.

54 comments were related to maintenance and renovation of parks including comments of a general nature and specific comments.

24 comments were related to a community center including possible locations and suggestions for renovations to our existing community centers.



17 comments were related to playgrounds with a focus on toddler and teen amenities.

16 comments were related to Summit Waves and the types of attractions respondents would like to see added to the facility.

16 comments were related to youth practice space.

11 comments requested “more” amenities (generic in nature).

117 comments requesting specific facilities/amenities/services were also received. The top three included basketball goals (8), racquetball courts (5), rock climbing (5).

Community Task Force Summary

On Wednesday, December 9th, 2015 LSPR hosted a citizens’ task force to seek additional input for possible park improvements and strategic planning. Over 180 citizens were invited and 53 were in attendance. Staff provided a 30 minute overview of the past and current park sales tax including park improvements that have been made since 1998. Staff also provided a visual summary of parks and recreation facilities from recent trips to Las Vegas, Dallas, and Denver. Finally, staff provided a summary of the citizen survey information outlined above. Following the presentation, participants were divided into six groups (6-8 per group) to address the following eight areas of priority:

1. Community Outdoor Facility Needs
2. Community Indoor Facility Needs
3. Neighborhood Park Acquisition & Development Needs
4. Neighborhood Park Renovation Needs
5. Trails/Greenway & Blueway Development Needs
6. Program & Event Needs
7. Operations & Maintenance Needs
8. Other Needs

Each group created a list of specific needs for each priority. Maps and visual aids were provided to assist the groups with their task.

To conclude the group process, each individual was asked to rank the items on their group’s list based on importance to them. Each individual provided four - #1 votes, four - #2 votes, four - #3 votes, and four #4 votes. To conclude the evening, a spokesperson from each group provided a summary of their findings for the entire group. A summary of the priorities is below. The summary is based on the collective results of all six groups and includes the total number of groups who listed the need, the total votes received and the “weight” of those votes. Please note that some groups may have listed a need multiple times in separate categories. For example, restrooms may have been listed under “Outdoor Facility Needs”,



“Other Needs” and “Neighborhood Park Renovation Needs”. For cases such as this, the votes were combined and are represented as such. Each #1 vote received 4 points, each #2 vote received 3 points, each #3 vote received 2 points and each #4 vote received 1 point.

Need	Number of Groups Listing Need	Total Votes	Weighted Votes
1. Restrooms	6	42	108
2. Parks/Facilities/Amenities South of Town	6	32	78
3. Greenway Completion/ Trails	5	30	74
4. Field House	5	22	73
5. Practice Space	6	21	71
6. Development (general)	6	21	54
7. Community Center (south/west)	4	17	46
8. Katy Trail Connection	3	15	45
9. Shade	4	15	44
10. Trails/Rock Island	4	16	42
11. Partnerships (public and private)	3	16	38
12. Cultural Arts	4	15	39
13. Promotion/Education	2	16	36
14. Organized Fitness/Group Fitness Events	4	16	32
15. Maintenance (general)	2	13	37
16. Ice Rink	4	12	37
17. Multi-purpose Facilities	2	11	32
18. Adopt-a-Spot for Parks	2	11	25

19.	Indoor Playground	3	10	27
20.	Turf/Plantings	2	10	27
21.	Adventure Park	3	10	26
22.	Art in Parks	2	10	24
23.	Teen Programming	2	10	24
24.	Meeting Space	4	9	21
25.	Bike Share/Rental Program	3	9	21
26.	Outdoor Fitness Equipment	2	9	18
27.	Development of Blueway	4	8	18
28.	Renovations to Pleasant Lea Park	2	7	15
29.	Add fields @ Legacy /better use of space	1	7	14
30.	Off Road Biking/Running Trails	3	6	13
31.	Lighting in Parks	1	5	14
32.	Drinking Fountains	2	4	12
33.	Safety Town	1	4	12
34.	Communications with schools (sports)	1	4	10
35.	Bailey Park	2	4	9
36.	Renovations to Howard Park	2	4	9
37.	Mile Markers	1	4	7
38.	Nature Park	1	6	6

Additional needs that were listed but received fewer than 4 votes included:

Items receiving 3 votes

Renovation of Lowenstein	Drinking Fountains clean/sanitary
Environmental education opportunities	Promote neighborhood associations
Coat hooks in bathrooms	Texting/emailing for Fitness class signup
Fitness equipment	Basketball Courts (west corridor)
Playgrounds for Multiple Ages & Year-Round	Liveable Streets –CompleteLS360Streets

Items receiving 2 votes

Water Aerobics	Shelters
App to Track Distance & Location of Parks	Directional Signage on roads
Miller J Fields Park	More water fountains @ dog parks
Sports equipment available for rental	Themed Parks
Bubble soccer	

Items receiving 1 vote

Promotion of all trails/connectors/greenway	Scoreboards
Pickleball Courts	Pond in dog parks
Ping Pong Tables	Dome Volleyball
Bocce Ball Courts	Wifi – sports activities
Renovation of Summit Park	Williams Grant type playground
Rock Climbing	Indoor Skate Park

Require Developers to set aside open space & trails
Better handling of storm water needs
Wedding venue or splashpad at Lea McKeighan South
Chalk Art Festival
Healthy cooking classes
More water aerobic classes/facilities
Buffer between trails & roads

More parks tied to population
Recycling options
Demonstration garden
Publish the trail master plan
Sunrise yoga at Amphitheater
Canoe

Items receiving 0 votes

Sled Hill
Drinking fountains on trails
Rubber running trails
Events center
Disc Golf
Youth Driving Program
Parking
Bowling
Turf Field
Snack Bar/coffee bar
Futsal Facility

Lacrosse Fields
Concrete trails
Steamboat/tubing
Bowling
Water Slide/Festival
Hartman Park
Horseshoe Pits
Shuffleboard
Commercial Kitchen (public use)
Dog Waste Bags
Limited Development Areas

LEGACY FOR TOMORROW CONTINUES: A VISION FOR OUR PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT-2015-2016

The following eight priorities and 32 goals were developed using research and data collected, analyzing trends, and implements the best practices of our profession. LSPR has significant support from the citizens of Lee's Summit with an approximately 88% approval for the continuation of the ¼ cent sales tax to support improvements to our parks system.



Priority #1: Neighborhood Park Acquisition and Development

Goals:

- Acquire and develop open green space to address the outdoor recreation needs of our community
- Develop additional youth practice space
- Develop a park within ½ mile of every residence where feasible (80-85% of residents currently fall within this standard)
- Develop 10 acres of neighborhood parks per 1,000 residents. Current acreage LSPR has for neighborhood parks, 500 acres or 53% developed to date and 430 acres currently needed to meet this standard
- Develop 10 acres of community parks per 1,000 residents. Current acreage LSPR has for neighborhood parks is 700 acres (75% to goal), 230 acres currently needed to meet this standard

Action Plan:

- Work with YSA's and R-7 to maximize open practice space for youth sports
- Look for opportunities to expand parks footprint to meet open space standards
- Present value of parks and open space to private developers as an amenity
- Reach 100% of residents within ½ mile of a neighborhood or community park



Progress Update 2017:

- Discussion with YSA's and R-7 about shared facilities for youth baseball, softball, and soccer
- Addition of practice softball and baseball facilities at Legacy Park
- Finalize planning of undeveloped park properties (Bailey Park)
- Working with private developers on open space reserves

Priority #2: Neighborhood Park Renovation

Goals:

- Improve existing parks to include, but not limited to, upgrades and/or installation of the following amenities: shelters, shade, restrooms, trails, outdoor fitness equipment, playgrounds, and climbing structures.
- Review parks annually to redevelop with citizen input as needed
- Add splashpads in areas of our community under served by water play opportunities

Action Plan:

- Continue to assess, update and renovate aging park infrastructure on annual basis
- Provide adequate financial resources to park renovations
- Assess need for renovations based on community demographic information



Progress Update 2017:

- Begin master planning for renovations of Howard Park
- Begin master planning for renovations of Summit Park
- Complete renovation of phase I of Hartman Park

Priority #3: Community Outdoor Facilities

Goal:

- Development of an outdoor adventure park with various elements to challenge participants of all ages
- Development of an outdoor ice rink

- Continued development of Silvia Bailey Park
- Continue to make improvements to Summit Waves including more open swim opportunities
- Development of a safety town facility

Action Plan:

- Look at feasibility of outdoor adventure park and determine location
- Feasibility and scheduling of improvements to Summit Waves
- Site analysis for safety town



Progress Update 2017:

- Begin construction and redevelopment of North Lea McKeighan Park to include splashpad, shade, shelters, and trails
- Finalized master plan for Silvia Bailey Park-look at long range funding
- Begin construction on North Lea McKeighan to include outdoor ice rink
- Review capital improvement plan to determine long range project schedules

Priority #4: Community Indoor Facilities

Goal:

- Development of an athletic field house to serve the diverse recreational needs of our community
- Development of a fourth and fifth community center in the south and north areas of our community
- Development of a nature center

Action Plan:

- Analyze viable site locations for field house development
- Analyze viable site locations for community center development
- Review capital improvement plan to determine possible funding scenarios



Progress Update 2017:

- Completed preliminary site analysis for field house
- Monitoring development in south and north for community center site opportunities
- Conduct preliminary feasibility and business plan for nature center development

Priority #5: Trails/Greenway and Blueway Development

Goal:

- Complete the greenway master plan and connect parks to neighborhoods
- Development of a blueway for recreational water usage along the Little Blue Trace
- Support acquisition and development of the Rock Island corridor and connection to the Katy Trail
- Development of off-road dirt trails for biking and running
- Advocacy for the continuation of the Livable or Complete Streets concept

Action Plan:

- Participate in regional trails planning
- Engage community in trails development on a local and regional scale
- Support and advocate for infrastructure improvements that have bicycle/ped components

Progress Update 2017:

- Working with local agencies to complete 'gap' study of Rock Island and Katy Trail
- Working with Public Works on local trail connectors that support greenway plan
- Install signage on new bicycle and multi use path segments totaling approx. 5 miles

Priority #6: Parks and Recreation Programs and Events

Goal:

- Development of programming specifically for teenagers
- Development and/or support individual and group community fitness opportunities such as 5k's, marathons, bike rides, and obstacle course races
- Support cultural arts through the addition of public arts in parks, programming, and amphitheater



events

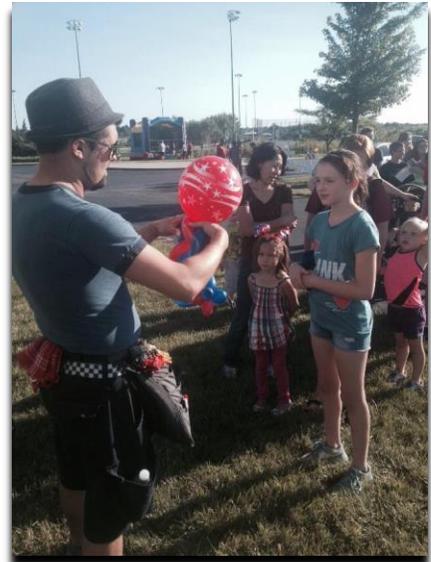
- Continued development and support for community wellness programs such as individual and group fitness and RevUP
- Develop programming to support outdoor education

Action Plan:

- Add events and programs that appeal to the teenage (ages 13-17) market
- Analyze the market to determine which type of group fitness opportunities like 5k's, marathons, bike rides, and obstacle course races are underserved
- Develop an operational plan for the Legacy Park Amphitheater that highlights all the facets of cultural arts (musical, dance, art, theatrical, and film)
- Pursue relationships with public and private organizations to adopt the RevUp program as their employee wellness program

Progress Update 2017:

- Recently added activities geared towards the teen market include Flash Light Friday's at Sylvia Bailey Farm Park, free canoes, paddleboards, and bicycles at Legacy Park. Future programming will include special events at Lea McKeighan North; ice rink, adventure playground, and expanded skate park.
- Two 5k run/walk courses were developed at Legacy Park and are now available for in-house and private organizations to rent for their events
- The 2017 Legacy Park Amphitheater schedule included national performers and a theatrical performance from the University of Central Missouri. Free monthly movies were also offered during the summer. The venue is host to the annual kid focused bicycle ride on a closed course.
- Outdoor group exercise classes have been added to the Legacy Park Amphitheater, and patrons are encouraged to reserve a bicycle, canoe, or stand up paddleboard for exercise on the trail or lake at Legacy Park.



Priority #7: Parks Operation and Maintenance

Goal:

- Continue to invest in the maintenance of the existing parks at a standard meeting or exceeding the expectations of our community
- Utilize the best practices for the maintenance and operations of parks and facilities including energy efficiencies, sustainable landscapes, and storm water management

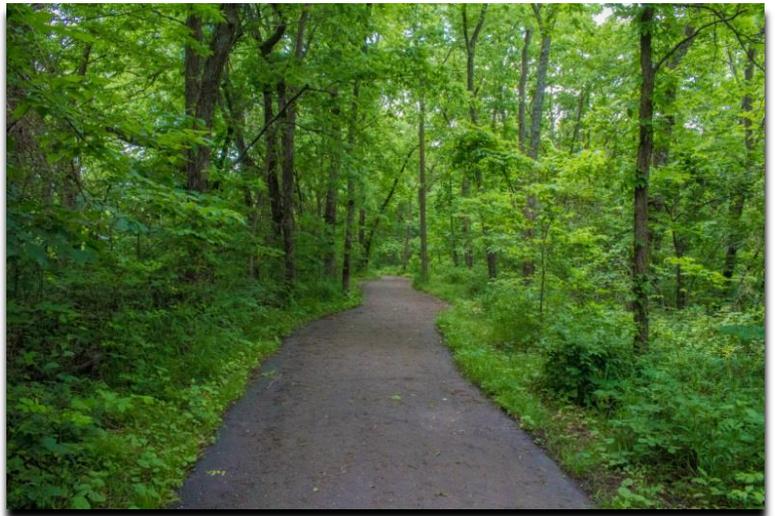
- Develop an asset management and needs assessment plan for all parks and facilities
- Continue to provide an annual operational subsidy for Gamber Community Center

Action Plan:

- Maintain parks to service levels that meet or exceed patron expectations as noted in satisfaction surveys
- Provide training opportunities to keep up to date on the latest advancements and trends of the industry and provide for professional development of skilled staff
- Conduct annual inventories of park amenities and assets to assist with creation of replacement and renovation schedules

Progress Update 2017:

- According to the 2012 Community Interest and Opinion Survey, of the 75% of households that indicated they had visited Lee’s Summit Parks and Recreation Department parks during the past year, 75% indicated they were very satisfied with the overall maintenance of the parks and 20% were somewhat satisfied.
- Staff is provided many training opportunities throughout the year; including time and funding for attending conferences, workshops and to obtain professional certifications.
- Inventories of park amenities and assets are completed on an annual basis to develop renovation and replacement plans.



Priority #8: Parks Administration

Goal:

- Seek partnership opportunities with other government and non-government organizations to support and enhance the outdoor, indoor, and programming needs of our community
- Seek grants and alternative funding to complement the existing financial resources
- Continue to engage the community and solicit input through facility membership and program listening sessions, program and event surveys, comment cards, focus groups, task forces, and community surveys
- Continue to provide an annual operational subsidy for Gamber Community Center

Action Plan:

- Continue partnership opportunities with the local youth sports associations (baseball, soccer, football and girls softball) in support of recreational opportunities for youth in the community
- Continue to search for available grant opportunities through agencies such as the Land and Water Conservation Fund through the State of Missouri Department of Natural Resources and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to maximize available funds for park and trail improvements
- Continue to support the Gamber Community Center with an annual subsidy

Progress Update 2017:

- Annual agreements with the 501c3 youth sports associations with periodic dinner meetings to discuss any issues or pending needs
- Examples of grants received: A grant for \$75,000 received for the splashpad at Miller J Fields Park, \$74,250 in CDBG funding received for the Harris Park Trail-Phase I, and \$250,000 received from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for the Lowenstein Park Trail Renovation
- The Gamber Community Center receives \$175,000 annually from the sales tax proceeds to assist with operational costs
- Continued discussions with private developer regarding partnerships for community field house
- Sent out community survey to evaluate Legacy Park Amphitheater programs and events



Monitoring Progress

Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation prepares semi-annual reports of progress on the Strategic Plan via the Legacy for Tomorrow newsletter. The newsletter is sent to Park Board members, public officials and all participants of Legacy for Tomorrow work sessions and visioning meetings. Copies of the Legacy for Tomorrow newsletters are included in the Comprehensive Parks Master Plan. Parks and Recreation will continue to prepare, update, and circulate the newsletter on a semi-annual basis.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP)

Pursuant to the City of Lee's Summit Charter, Article XI, Section 11.4, the CIP represents the multi-year scheduling of public infrastructure improvements and expansion, with much of it largely based on previously adopted master plans.

The benefits of adopting a Capital Improvements Plan are that it:

- Offers a vital link between the Comprehensive Plan and the actual construction of public improvements,
- Ensures that plans for community facilities are carried out,
- Improves coordination and scheduling of public improvements that require more than one year to complete,
- Provides an opportunity for long-range financial planning and management, and
- Offers an opportunity for residents and community interest groups to participate in decisions that impact their quality of life.



The CIP also acts as a public information document to advise residents and property owners of how the City plans to address significant capital needs over the next five years. With growing demands for project expenditures and a limited amount of revenues available, it has become increasingly difficult to predict the availability of future funding for capital projects. As the population in Lee's Summit continues to grow, so do the demands on City services. It is imperative that our organization plan the use of our limited dollars wisely to complete this plan and ultimately benefit all citizens of the City of Lee's Summit. As has been previously reported in various community surveys, infrastructure and growth management continue to be viewed as extremely important to residents.

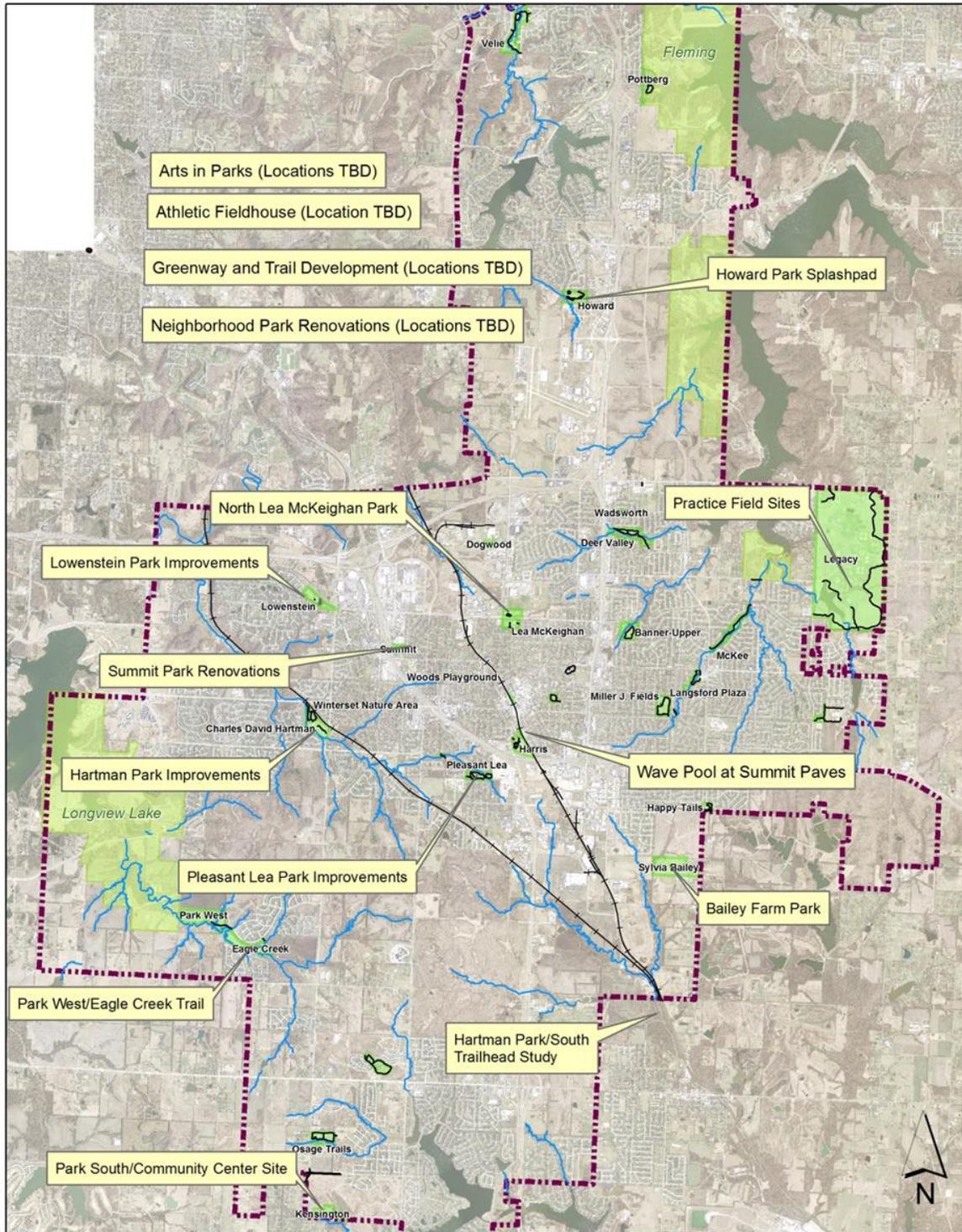
The majority of the capital funding citywide is allocated to the Bridges, Streets, and Signals section which includes 21 projects around the community. Programs, airport, water, sanitary sewer and stormwater continue to comprise significant portions of the plan. Because of recent elections, both Facilities and Parks & Recreation have significant expansion. Among the major revenue sources for the various capital projects included in the plan are:

- ½ cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax (roads)
- Bond Proceeds (roads, facilities, stormwater)
- ¼ cent Park Sales Tax (parks)
- Road & Bridge Sales Tax (roads)
- State & Federal Grants (airport, roads, parks, sanitary sewer)
- TIF/TDD (roads)
- Sewer & Water Tap Fees (water & sewer system expansion)
- Sewer & Water User Fees (water & sewer system improvements)

It is important to emphasize that the CIP is a flexible plan that can be altered as conditions, funding, priorities, and regulations change. Although capital projects are scheduled throughout the five year plan, only those projects with activity scheduled during the first year are financed and adopted as part of the City's Annual Operating Budget. Projects slated for subsequent years may be adjusted to reflect changes in priority or funding. Preparation of the CIP is a result of considerable effort from staff in all departments in the City. Each year, staff attempts to reassess overall goals for capital improvements, and the means for accomplishing them. Every project has been considered for its financial feasibility, environmental impact, conformance to previously adopted plans, priorities established from the citizen input process via committees and voter approval, and to meet the public need. Their commitment to providing accurate and understandable information is necessary to improving the quality of life in Lee's Summit.

PARKS									
(Costs in \$1,000s)									
Project	Prior Yrs.	Reallocated	Prior Yrs.	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Arts in Parks	-	-	-	-	10	-	20	-	30
Athletic Fieldhouse	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	6,000	6,025
Bailey Farm Park/Nature Center Development	750	(725)	25	-	-	-	1,500	2,500	4,025
Greenway and Trail Development	-	-	-	-	250	-	250	250	750
Hartman Park Improvements	185	-	185	-	-	-	-	-	185
Hartman Park/South Trailhead Planning	15	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	15
Howard Park Splashpad	200	-	200	-	-	-	-	-	200
Lowenstein Park Renovations	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	400
Neighborhood Park Renovation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	400
North Lea McKeighan Park Improvements	1,600	1,300	2,900	2,100	-	-	-	-	5,000
Park South and Community Center	350	(350)	-	-	-	4,275	4,275	-	8,550
Park West/Eagle Creek/Pryor Trail Connector	200	(200)	-	-	200	-	-	-	200
Pleasant Lea Park Renovation	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	-	400
Practice Field Improvements	300	(25)	275	-	-	-	100	100	475
Summit Park Renovation	-	-	-	-	600	-	-	-	600
Wave Pool at Summit Waves	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
Total	3,600	-	3,600	2,100	1,060	9,675	6,570	9,250	32,255

Figure 7 Parks CIP 2018-2023 1



Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation- C.I.P Project Map FY 2018-22

Figure 8 Parks CIP Project Map 1

Proposed Project	Anticipated Investment	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Athletic Fieldhouse ¹	\$12,000,000																	
Nature Center ²	\$3,000,000																	
Wave Pool ³	\$5,000,000																	
Safety Town ⁴	\$800,000																	
Sylvia Bailey Farm Park ⁵	\$2,500,000																	
Outdoor Adventure Park ⁶	\$2,000,000																	
Outdoor Ice Rink ⁷	\$1,000,000																	
Community Center (North) ⁸	\$5,000,000																	
Community Center (South) ⁹	\$5,000,000																	
Neighborhood Park Acquisition and Development (North) ¹⁰	\$2,500,000																	
Neighborhood Park Acquisition and Development (South)	\$2,500,000																	
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Neighborhood Park Acquisition and Development (East)	\$2,500,000																	
Neighborhood Park Acquisition and Development (West)	\$2,500,000																	
Neighborhood Park Renovation ¹¹	\$6,000,000																	
Greenway and Trail Development ¹²	\$3,750,000																	
Splashpad (North) ¹³	\$250,000																	

¹ Location/Site To be Determined

² Location at Bailey Farm Park or other TBD location. Pending info on private benefactors/contributors. (\$4 million in current CIP)

³ Location at Summit Waves (\$5 million in current CIP)

⁴ Location TBD. Review possible locations. Need utilities and good accessibility

⁵ Park Development costs. Refer to Park Master Plan from Dec. 2016

⁶ Location TBD. Consider types of programming

⁷ **IN PROGRESS** North Lea McKeighan Park. Advance funding to supplement current approved funding of \$1.6 million

⁸ Location TBD. Includes land acquisition and construction costs

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¹⁰ New Neighborhood Park Development project scope and locations TBD. Review coverage areas.

¹¹ Renovation of one existing neighborhood park each year \$400,000 for next 15 years. Potential Projects include: Howard Park (\$200k in current CIP), Summit Park (\$600k in current CIP), and Pleasant Lea Park (\$400k in current CIP)

¹² Locations to be determined. Refer to greenway master plan. Projects could include Park West/Eagle Creek Greenway (\$200k in current CIP), Greenway Master Plan update, Hartman Park Trailhead for Rock Island

¹³ Splashpad locations TBD. Howard Park (\$200k in current CIP)

Splashpad (South)	\$250,000																	
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Practice Space ¹⁴	\$1,500,000																	
Blueway Development	\$1,500,000																	
Arts in Parks ¹⁵	\$150,000																	
Gamber Center subsidy	\$2,625,000																	

¹⁴ Practice site locations TBD (\$200k in current CIP)

¹⁵ Sites TBD. \$10k annually for 15 years

TRENDS ANALYSIS

The Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation Department recognizes the importance of researching current local and national trends to proactively plan to meet the needs of the community both today and in the future. It is a challenge for the Department to understand and respond to the changing recreation interests of serviced populations. Staff is actively engaged with the National Recreation and Parks Association and the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association by regularly attending meetings and



conferences to understand emerging trends. Staff compares trends with community needs as part of the annual staff retreat, and shares this information with the Parks and Recreation board at their annual retreat. The results are used to develop one and five year goals and CIP, and are incorporated into the annual budget packet that is approved by the Parks and Recreation Board.

RecTrac provides the Department with enrollment statistics for programs and facility usage data that is analyzed by the appropriate supervisor and shared with the Parks and Recreation Board at their monthly meeting. Each program is evaluated annually to determine if it should be continued, changed, or discontinued. Program surveys are also used to gather input on program success and future offerings.

The Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation Department uses various resources to keep abreast of local, regional, state and national trends in the Parks and Recreation field. On the local level staff is involved in various organizations that serve various segments of the population. Through this involvement staff is able to ascertain various trends in the Kansas City metropolitan area as well as the specific needs of the citizens of Lee's Summit.

On the regional and state level, staff attends various workshops, seminars, webinars and conferences whereby presenters talk about the latest trends in the parks and recreation field. Staff is also active in leadership roles of various local, regional, state and national organizations that discuss and review trends in the industry.

On the national level, staff attends national conferences and numerous national training schools put on by NRPA and North Carolina State University.

In addition to all of the above, staff consistently surveys other Parks and Recreation departments in the local and regional areas to determine what trends they are observing, what programs are working and what services their patrons would like to see offered.

Staff also receives other department program guides from the local area as well as from across the country. This information is compiled and reviewed by staff to help determine what programs and services Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation will offer in the future.

In addition to active participation at the local, state and national level, staff also subscribe to various Parks and Recreation publications. Information is highlighted and distributed to various staff members for their review, discussion and implementation.

A Program and Trends Analysis was completed in 2016 and outlined in the Sales Tax Brochure. The intent of the Program and Trends Analysis was to assist the Parks and Recreation Department in assessing the growing needs of our community.





PARK FINDER

RESERVATIONS & RULES

- Shelter Reservations must be made in person at the Main Office in LS City Hall, M-F, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Reserving a shelter does not give exclusive use to playgrounds or other amenities, only the shelter.
- Garage sales are not permitted in the parks.
- Petting Zoos, Horses, Carnivals, Personal Water Slide, Pools, and Music Concerts are NOT allowed.
- Electrically amplified music is not allowed.
- Motorized vehicles are allowed in designated parking areas only.

The following are NOT allowed in parks:

- DAMAGE of park property.

Ord. 17-85

- USE of parks from 11pm until 5am.

Ord. 19 Art III

- COURT PLAY over one hour when others are waiting.

- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

Ord. 19 Art III

- Motorized VEHICLES on park grounds.

Ord. 19 Art III

- SKATES, BICYCLES or SKATEBOARDS interfering with intended use of sidewalks, parking lots, or court area.

Ord. 29-11

- LITTERING.

Ord. 17-89

Tobacco Policy

In an effort to reduce the negative impact of tobacco use on parks and recreation patrons, the use of all tobacco products is prohibited in parks and facilities maintained, owned, and/or operated by the Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation Department.

***Alcohol is allowed BY PERMIT ONLY at Legacy Park Shelter 1 & 2, and Lowenstein Park for \$25.** City ordinance prohibits the sale of alcohol on park property. Consumption of alcohol is also prohibited without a special permit from LSPR. Permit must be completed at least 5 business days before shelter rental date.

****Bounce Houses are allowed BY PERMIT ONLY at Lowenstein and Osage Trails for \$25.** Renter provides all necessary equipment.

Additional Information:

Your fee covers any number of hours required for your reservation for the day of your rental. Restrooms/Comfort Stations are seasonal, typically April 15 and October 15, but please call to verify dates.

Park Name	Address	Shelter Rental Fee	Capacity	Parking	Alcohol Permit*, \$25	Bounce House**, \$25	Community Gardens	Electricity	Mounted Grill	Picnic Tables	Restroom/Comfort Station	Ball Diamonds	Basketball Goals	Disc Golf	Horseshoe Courts	Multipurpose Fields	Off Leash Dog Area	Pickleball Courts	Sand Volleyball	Skate Features	Splashpad	Tennis Courts	Acreage	Trail (mile)
Arbor Walk 1	1301 SW Arbor Park Dr																							
Sylvia Bailey 2	1800 SE Ranson Rd																							
Banner (Lower) 3	601 NE Park																							
Banner (Upper) 4	520 NE Noeleen	\$40	20	20						3	C											4	26.7	5.6
Canterbury 5	501 SE Blackwell Rd																							
Deer Valley 6	1400 NE Neawanna Dr																							
Dogwood (Dog Park) 7	51 NW Victoria Dr										C													
Eagle Creek 8	2561 SW Golden Eagle Dr																							
Happy Tails (Dog Park) 9	1251 SE Ranson Rd										C													
Harris 10	601 SW Jefferson	\$60	40	20						6	R													
Hartman, Charles David 11	700 SW Old Pryor Rd			246							C	R												
Howard 12	3498 NE Independence		40	246							C	R												
Howard Station, William B. 13	228 SE Main St																							
Kensington Farms Tract 14	1801 SW Blackpool Dr																							
Langsford 15	1709 SE Langsford Rd																							
Lea-McKeighan North 16	120 NE Chipman Rd																							
Lea-McKeighan South 17	125 NE Chipman Rd		48	100																				
LS Historical Cemetery 18	806 SE 3rd																							
Legacy Shelter #1 19	Conelower Dr	\$150	100	100																				
Legacy Shelter #2 19	Conelower Dr	\$80	50	90																				
Legacy Shelter #3 19	Legacy Park Dr	\$30	32	24																				
Lowenstein 20	1901 NW Lowenstein Dr (3 Shelters)	\$50	\$80	\$80																				
McKee 21	601 NE Todd George		40	32						3														
Miller J. Fields 22	1301 SE 3rd Terr (2 Shelters)	\$300/180																						
Osage Trails 23	4201 SW Pryor Rd	\$40	24	35																				
Pleasant Lea 24	1100 SW Walnut St																							
Park West 25	2301 SW Sampson Dr																							
Pottberg 26	5200 Campground Rd	\$40	24	19																				
South Lea 27	819 SW Lea Dr																							
Summit 28	451 NW Blue Parkway																							
Velie 29	2 NW Anderson Dr																							
Wadsworth 30	1010 NE Chestnut	\$40	10	6																				
Williams-Grant 31	401 SE Howard St																							
Winterset Nature Area 32	700 SW Pryor Rd																							
Woods Playground 33	615 NW Little Ave																							

*Fees Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day
 Δ Under Construction

Figure 9: Park Finder Map 1

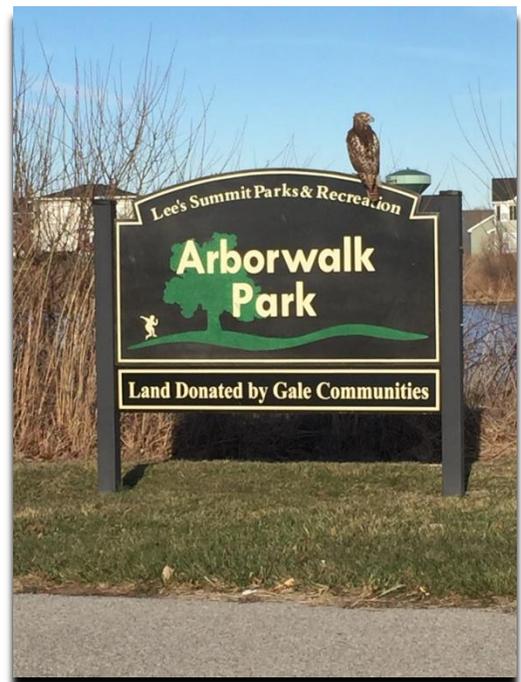
Arborwalk Park

1301 SW Arbor Park Dr.

The 17 acre property was donated by Gale Communities in 2004 in conjunction with a mixed use new urban development in southern Lee's Summit. The area primarily serves as a stormwater management area with a series of wetland detention areas that serve as an interpretive component. The park was



developed in 2006 with a grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) and includes walking trails, playground, wetland boardwalk, and open play field space.



Future Improvements

Future improvements include closing the loop on the walking trail/nature boardwalk to the north and west when future development occurs.

Implementation of wetland interpretive areas are also planned for the park in future years. Estimated cost of future park improvements is approximately \$200,000.

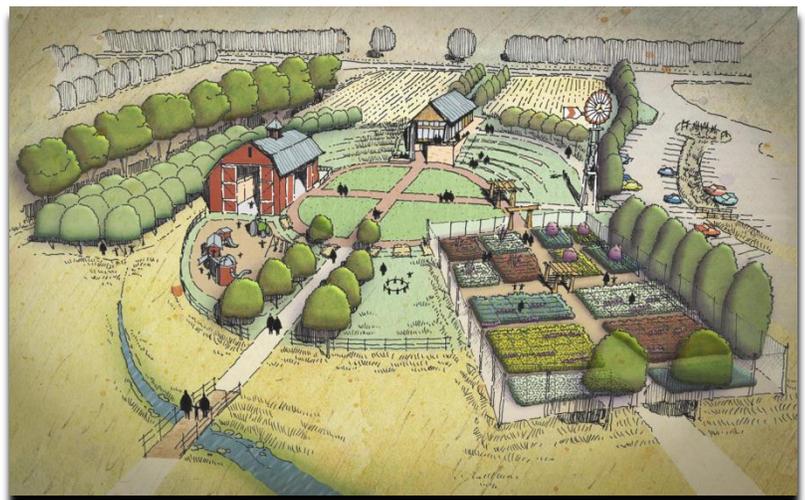
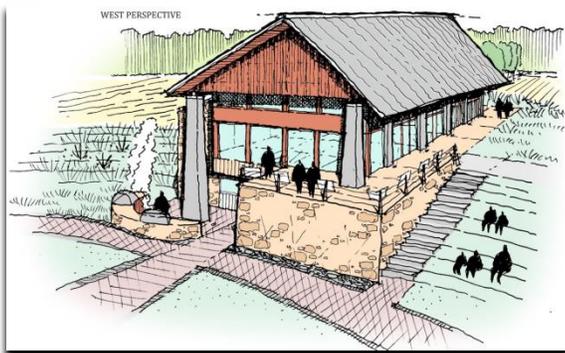
Sylvia Bailey Park

1800 SE Ranson Rd.

In 2000, Ms. Sylvia Mae Bailey bequeathed a 45 acre property on Ranson Road across from James A Reed Wildlife Area in eastern Lee's Summit. The property had been part of the Bailey Farm, one of the oldest in the area. The value of this gift is estimated to be over \$700,000. This is the largest gift ever made to our City and one of the largest in the history of our community. In 2014, 40 community garden plots were added on the east end of the park with shared parking facilities with Lee's Summit R-7 Schools Sunset Valley Elementary School. In 2016, LSPR completed a master plan of park improvements that includes a visitor center, interpretive gardens, walking trails, expanded festival space, and outdoor classroom areas.

Future Improvements

Future funding for nature center development (\$3m) and Sylvia Bailey funding (\$2.5m) are allocated in the Legacy for Tomorrow Continues sales tax funding model which will fund the proposed master plan improvements.



Banner Park

601 NE Park Dr. (Lower) 520 NE Noeleen (Upper)

Lee's Summit's designated Bicentennial Park is located at Columbus and Noeleen Lane (upper portion) and Chipman Road and Park Drive (lower portion). The 21-acre park was purchased in 1975 for \$45,000 and developed in 1976 at a cost of \$93,758. Both purchase and development were aided by grants through the U.S Department of Interior. It originally included a picnic shelter, picnic tables, two multi-use ball diamonds, four tennis courts, two multi purpose fields, two playgrounds, walking trail, and a 5-acre native habitat area. Renovations in 2013-14 to the upper portion of the park included the addition of four pickleball courts, four refurbished tennis courts with new fencing and surfacing, a new playground, a new shelter/gazebo, and a comfort station enclosure.



Future Improvements

Due to the recent renovations to the park, there are no immediate plans for additions to the upper portion of the park. Some minor field improvements could be made to the infields on the lower portion of the park considering these are used frequently as a practice site for youth softball. Improvements could include reconditioned turf, drainage, infield material, and backstops. Parking on street is permitted adjacent to the lower park so there are no immediate needs or

space available for construction of parking areas. Estimated cost of improvements to Lower Banner Park is approximately \$100,000.

Canterbury Park

501 SE Blackwell Dr.

In 2000, Parks and Recreation completed acquisition of a small neighborhood park and walking trail in the Canterbury area of Highland Park Elementary School in eastern Lee's Summit. The property and easements were received in partnership from multiple donors. The Canterbury Homeowners Association donated 1.05 acres of common area property to initiate the project. Utilicorp United donated 1.17 acres of property located



immediately north of its Lee's Summit Eastern Substation adjacent to the Canterbury Homeowners property. UtiliCorp United also donated over 1,000 linear feet of trail easement to provide a connection to Highland Park Elementary School. Additionally, Lee's Summit R-7 School District provided over 3,000 linear feet of easement for walking trail construction along the perimeter of Highland Park Elementary School. Development of the property will include construction of a $\frac{3}{4}$ mile walking trail connecting a perimeter loop around Highland Park Elementary School to Blackwell Road and Bingham Drive with accompanied landscaping and seating.

Future Improvements

No future improvements are proposed for the park at this time. Some drainage improvements and trail repair were performed in 2016. Staff will continue to monitor the maintenance and condition of the park to see if on-going investment is necessary.

Deer Valley Park

1400 NE Neawanna Dr.

This was Missouri's first neighborhood improvement district park that was the result of more than 900 homeowners working together with the developer of the subdivision, the city and Park Board. George Ward, the developer, donated the 20-acre property and the park was then built by the Park Board using a unique financing method. Located east of M-291 off Mulberry St, this neighborhood park includes a large playground, 10-acre native habitat area, open field area, a small parking area, and a one



mile asphalt trail. The park is very popular in the neighborhood with clean and well maintained turf areas and because of its ease of access among neighboring residents.

Future Improvements

Potential future improvements include addition of a small shelter/gazebo, bicycle racks, and improved bicycle/pedestrian access to the park from Missouri 291 Highway. Cost of improvements is estimated at between \$150,000-\$200,000.

Dogwood Park

1800 SE Ranson Rd.

Dogwood Park was developed in 2015 with a contribution of property from Polyainers, Inc who owns property adjacent to the park. The property served as a regional storm water detention area and was essentially undevelopable for commercial or industrial use. The 5.4 acre parcel is approximately ¼ mile west of Douglas Street on Victoria Drive. LSPR developed the property and acted as the general contractor on the

construction of the dog park.

A second dog park became necessary due to the popularity and high volume of traffic at Happy Tails Dog Park. The park was constructed at a cost of approximately \$270,000 and includes paved parking, perimeter fencing, an asphalt walking trail, open turf area for off leash dogs, water play area (splashpad) for dogs, and dog agility area.



Future Improvements

Considering the park was constructed in 2015 there are no immediate plans or needs for improvement however the drainage swale running diagonally on the southeast corner of the property continues to present maintenance issues in the park.

Future improvements may consider putting the drainage swale in a pipe from the inlet to the park to the outlet on the south end. The estimated cost of these improvements would be approximately \$50,000



The 26 acre property for Eagle Creek Park was donated by Hunt Midwest Companies in 2000. The linear property runs along Mouse Creek in the master planning community of Eagle Creek in southwestern Lee’s Summit. In 2006, LSPR acquired a \$150,000 grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund to develop the park which now includes a 2/3 mile asphalt trail, site furnishings, and open play field space.



The total cost of the project was approximately \$175,000. The trail connects into other multi use trails that the Homeowners association maintains that connect the neighborhoods. Future plans include additional trail connectivity to the east and west.

Future Improvements

Future plans involve providing trail connectivity from the existing park trail to the east and west as part of the

greenway trail system along Mouse Creek. Connectivity to the west of the park would link Eagle Creek with 50 acre undeveloped Park West property. Trail connection to the east would continue along the creek to Pryor Road through future undeveloped residentially zoned property. Estimated cost of trail construction in both directions of the park are estimated at between \$300,000-\$400,000.



Happy Tails Park

1251 SE Ranson Rd.

The four acre property in southeast Lee's Summit is at the base of the Ranson Road water tower and was donated to LSPR from Lee's Summit Water Utilities. The off leash dog park was constructed in 2005 with LSPR as the park designer and general contractor for a cost of approximately \$310,000. The park includes paved parking, perimeter fencing for off leash, dog agility area, and an asphalt walking trail.

Outside the off leash fenced area a small playground serves the nearby residents. Since its inception, the park has been extremely popular with pet owners in the community

Future Improvements

There are no significant improvements planned for the park in the near future. Park maintenance staff regularly reconditions turf areas and closes the park periodically to allow for turf and general park repairs.



Harris Park

601 SW Jefferson St.

Lee's Summit's oldest park is located at Blue Parkway and Jefferson Street. It is 23 acres in size and is home to Summit Waves Aquatic Center, two playgrounds, walking trails, and a park shelter. The park also is home to the Harris Park Community Center, a 20,000 square foot facility. This park was donated to the city by several citizens in 1918, but it has been a park for as long as LS has been a city. A municipal pool was built in 1971 at a cost of \$209,285 provided in part by the Interior Department. It also is home for Camp Summit. In 2005, the park



underwent a two phase \$8 million dollar renovation which included improvements to the community center building, parking expansion, multiple park improvements, and addition of an aquatics facility-Summit Waves.



Future Improvements

Future improvements to the park include the addition of a wave pool to Summit Waves (\$5m budgeted) and permanent restrooms to the playground on the north end of the park to better serve patrons and the summer camp program. Estimated cost of

restrooms improvements are approximately \$150,000



Hartman Park

700 SW Old Pryor Rd

This 20 acre park is located on Pryor Road between 3rd Street and Longview Road. Ten acres of the park were purchased in 1982 for \$47,500; the remaining 10 acres were donated by the Erichson and Gibson families of Kansas City, MO. The park is currently home to adult softball programs and features three lighted softball fields, playgrounds, walkways and a concession stand with restrooms. The park is named after a LS police officer that lost his life in a rescue attempt. In 2009, LSPR invested approximately \$840,000 in field restoration, field fencing, and modern high-efficiency field lighting. In 2017, LSPR staff acted as park designer and general contractor on an \$185,000 renovation to the playground.



Future plans include a splashpad and trailhead to connect to the adjacent Rock Island rail trail being constructed by Jackson County and the Rock Island Rail Authority.

Future Improvements

Future improvements include the addition of a splashpad in the next 2-3 years. Estimated cost of improvements is approximately \$250,000.



The 20 acre park, which was developed for multi-purpose uses and open park play, is located on Independence Ave, south of Woods Chapel Road. It is home to a roller hockey rink, a one mile asphalt trail, 10 acres of native habitat area, parking and a large playground area. In 2017, LSPR is working with consultants on a master plan for improvements to the park which will include a splashpad, nature playground, nature trails, a park shelter, open play field space, a disc golf course, and trail improvements.

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Future improvements

Over the next 2-5 years, LSPR hopes to implement all of the improvements proposed in the master plan update of 2017.

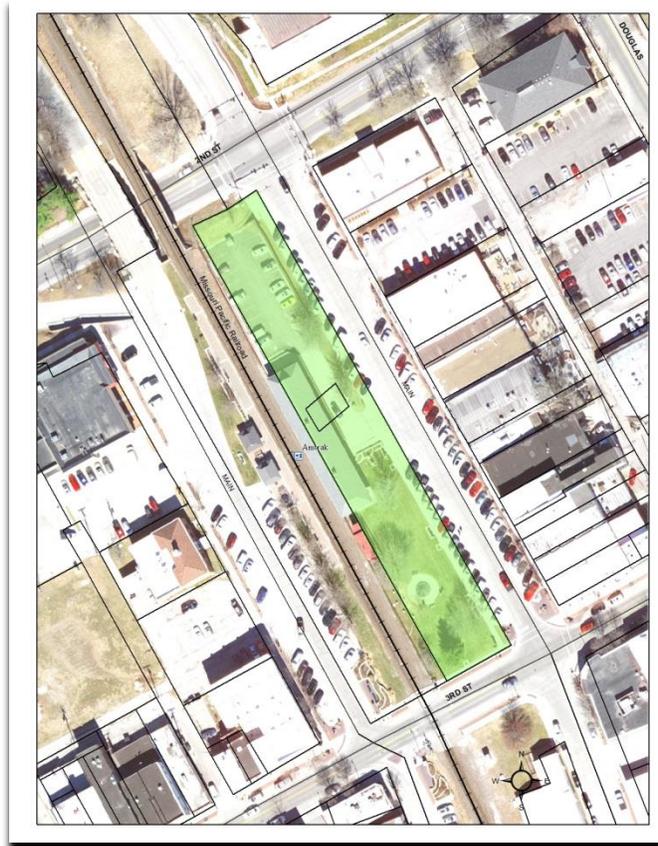
Estimated cost of all of these improvements is approximately \$800,000.



Howard Station Park

228 SE Main St

This .5 acre park located in downtown LS at 3rd and Main streets has passive seating areas and floral displays. It was named for the founder of LS. The old railroad depot at the park is the headquarters of the LS Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Council. A retired railroad caboose has been placed at the site due to the efforts of the railroad enthusiast John Graham. The park was renovated in 2003 to include turn-of-the-century lighting, seating, and a wrought iron fence. It is also the home of the Mayor's Christmas Tree and the Veteran's Memorial. In 2015, improvements were made to several of the landscape beds adjacent to the park and in front of the train depot/Chamber of Commerce offices. An expansion to the Veteran's memorial was completed in 2016 allowing for additional pavers to be placed around the fountain.



Future Improvements

There are no future improvements planned for the park



This 20 acre tract is currently undeveloped and was donated to LSPR from the original developers who annexed the 300 acre master planned community into Lee's Summit. The property sits on the extreme south side of Lee's Summit south of County Line Road between Pryor and Ward Road. The site currently does not have vehicular access and will require infrastructure improvements prior to development. The open space reserved here serves a need for additional neighborhood parks in this rapidly growing area of Lee's Summit. No timetable has been established for development.



Future Improvements

Future development of Kensington property will be driven by future development of single family homes adjacent to the park along with two out parcels that are proposed as a school site and public safety facility (fire station). The property resides in Cass County and is outside the Lee's Summit water service boundaries but is within the city limits of Lee's Summit after

annexation occurred in the mid 2000's. At this time, residential development is slow and there is no timetable for development of the park in its current location. Some consideration was given to negotiating with the current property owners to relocate the park parcel to the northwest corner of the 300 acre tract and pursue development of a community center to serve the residents of southern Lee's Summit. These conversations are presently on hold.

The 4.7 acre property for Langsford Park was donated by Terry Green and Temp Stop, Inc. who developed the SW corner of Langsford and Todd George in Lee’s Summit. In addition to the donation, the developer constructed approximately 1/3 of a mile of asphalt trail. In 2015, LSPR received a donation from the Langsford family for playground equipment to be added to the park. The tract which the park sits on was originally owned by the Langsford family and was a nursery for bedding plants going back to the late 1800’s. In 2016, LSPR accepted a donation from Richard Ruiz of three acres directly adjacent to the Langsford Park to the south. The value of donations of property and park amenities is estimated at over \$200,000. Future plans for the park include trail linkages that will allow for connectivity from Legacy Park to Miller J. Fields Park.

Future Improvements

While there is currently no funding in place the short term plans include expansion of the existing playground and connection of the trail from the existing park south to Miller J Fields Park. These plans are on a 2-3 year timetable. Estimated total cost of these projects is approximately \$200,000.



Purchased in 1966 from several individuals, Lea-McKeighan Park was developed with grant assistance from the Department of Interior. The park contained picnic tables, six lighted baseball diamonds, two lighted sand volleyball courts, one lighted basketball court, one playground area and two restroom/concession buildings. The North portion and South portion were originally home to the Lees Summit Baseball Association until the completion of Legacy Park. The North section of the park is approximately 10 acres and sits at the NE corner of Douglas and Chipman Road. An in-ground skate park was built on the west side of the park in 2009 for a cost of approximately \$350,000 and lights were added in 2017 at a cost of approximately \$35,000. Four lighted sand volleyball courts were installed in 2015 with assistance of a LWCF grant at a cost of \$230,000.



Future Improvements

The park is currently under a \$5 million dollar renovation which includes an outdoor ice rink, concession building, adventure playground, walking trails, park shelter, splashpad, pickleball courts, and open play field space. The project is scheduled for completion in the spring of 2018.



Purchased in 1966 from several individuals, Lea-McKeighan Park was the home to baseball and softball for several decades until those programs were moved to Legacy Park in the early 2000's. The south park site sits at the southeast corner of Chipman and Douglas Streets approximately 2 miles from the downtown business district of Lee's Summit making it a popular destination. In 2013-2014, the park underwent a \$1.8 million dollar renovation that included an adventure playground, walking trails, restrooms, park shelter, and open play field space. The park is extremely popular due to its one of kind play and climbing equipment and zip line that is integrated into a unique landscape design.



Future Improvements

Due to the popularity of the park and walking trails, future improvements to the park include the addition of outdoor fitness equipment. The estimated cost of these improvements is approximately \$50,000.



A 700 acre park was constructed in multiple phases between 2004 and 2016. The park is the crown jewel of the LSPR system with home to five miles of trail, an outdoor amphitheater, a 60,000 square foot community center, a 30 acre lake for recreation, three park shelters, two playgrounds with one being an all-inclusive playground, and 18 hole disc golf course. In addition, the park is home to a very active youth sports program in Lee's Summit and includes three football fields, 12 soccer fields, 16 baseball fields, and 8 girls softball



fields. With all of the active programming, the park maintains a strong environmental footprint by maintaining 70% of the site in native vegetation and habitat with little or no maintenance. Parking lots are constructed to convey storm water through bio retention areas thus reducing infrastructure cost and maintenance. The ball fields are also irrigated out of the 30 acre lake from stormwater runoff thus



reducing operating and maintenance expense.

Future Improvements

The addition of a trail along Legacy Park Drive has been given some consideration to provide improved bike and pedestrian connectivity to the sports venues and the other adjacent trails. The estimated cost of these improvements would be approximately \$200,000.



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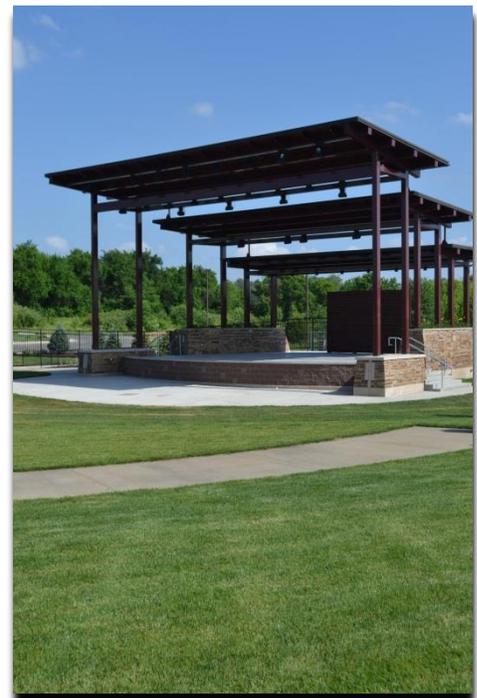


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Future Improvements

There are no immediate short term plans for improvements to the south end of Legacy Park. While there has been some consideration given to placement of a field house facility on the southwest corner of the park, no final determination has been made on these improvements.



Lowenstein Park

1901 NW Lowenstein Dr

Donated in 1968 by the Lowenstein brothers, the property has since been developed into a 26 acre park with three picnic shelters with picnic tables, one basketball goal, four open space areas, a playground area, a one mile asphalt trail, and parking for 40 cars. The park, located off Chipman Road and Pryor Road, was developed through federal Community Development Block Grants at a cost of \$25,060. In 2006, private



funding was raised to construct a children's memorial butterfly garden with native plants and a waterfall. In 2015, a major restoration was done to the trail replacing the aging asphalt in disrepair to a full width concrete trail. The park is extremely popular because of its central location within the community and a favorite among walkers, joggers, and families. Funding for the trail restoration was made possible through a grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the Recreational Trails Program. The cost of the trail renovation was approximately \$230,000.

Future Improvements

There have been ongoing discussions regarding development to the north which may have some impact to the park. Necessary infrastructure improvements for development to occur would allow for permanent restrooms to be installed in the park. Along with restrooms, playground upgrades are needed. Funding for this project will come from the ¼ cent park sales tax proceeds and contributions from any adjoining development through agreements. Estimated cost of these park improvements is approximately \$500,000.



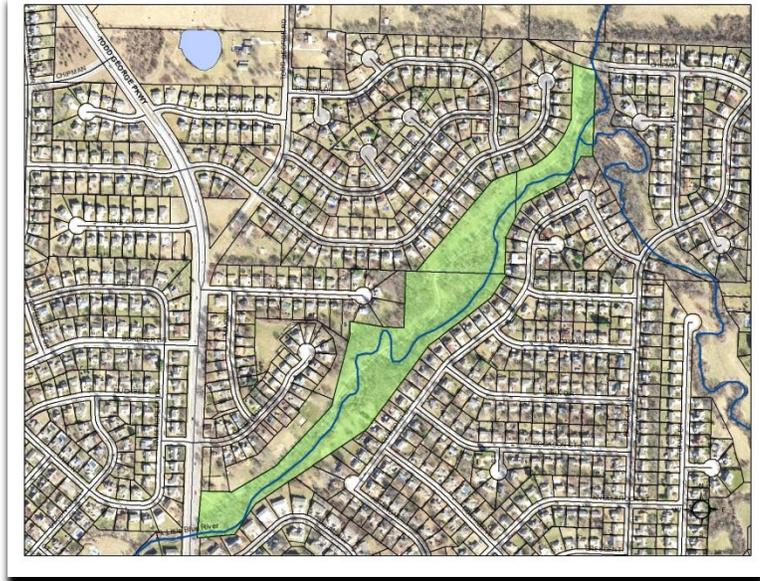
McKee Park

601 NE Todd George Rd

McKee Park was donated by past mayor (1972-78) and developer Bill McKee in 1973. The park is located on Todd George Road, north of Langsford Road. Surrounded by single family residential, this 12.75 acre site was developed in 2010 with grant assistance from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the Recreational Trails Grant Program. The 2/3 mile streamway trail has a pleasant setting amongst hardwood trees and wildlife. The park was constructed for a cost of approximately \$280,000.

Future Improvements

There are no future improvements scheduled for the park at this time. Long range plans include improving the connectivity to the north to link the trail to Scruggs Road through private property with acquisition of trail easements



Miller J Fields Park

1301 SE 3rd Terrace

Acquired in 1975, this 18 acre park was purchased for \$50,600 and developed for \$360,000 in 1981. One half of the purchase price and development cost was funded by the Department of Interior. The balance was provided by funds from a 1978 bond election. It is located at the intersection of Circleview and 3rd St Terr (Briarcroft Subdivision). The facility includes parking for 160 cars, three multipurpose fields, one concession/restroom facility, two large playground areas and one picnic shelter with tables. The park was named after Miller J Fields, a city employee who was instrumental in the planning and development of the community in the 1960's and 70's. In 2014, the park underwent a \$780,000 renovation that included the addition of a 1/3 mile walking trail, permanent restrooms, a new playground with musical instruments, two park shelters, and the department's first splashpad.



Future Improvements

With the most recent renovations, there are no future plans for improvements at this time for Miller J Fields Park

Osage Trails Park

4201 SW Pryor Rd.

The 20 acre neighborhood park is located on Pryor Road south of 150 Highway and serves a growing area of the south portion of Lee's Summit. The acquisition, completed in 2000, included purchase of 17 acres for \$255,000 and donation of an additional 3 acres by the Stoney Creek Development, L.L.C. The sales agreement includes the donation of an additional 22 acres of green space as surrounding property is developed in the future. The Park was developed in 2010 at a cost of approximately \$475,000 with LSPR preparing the designs and acting as the general contractor. The park includes a 2/3 mile walking trail, paved parking, a park shelter/gazebo, playground, and two open play field spaces to accommodate practices for youth sports. A trail spur links the park to the surrounding neighborhood on the east end.



Future Improvements

Future upgrades to the park include a nature trail to connect to the southern half of the park and potential playground additions and upgrades. Estimated cost of future improvements is approximately \$200,000.

Acquired in 1978, this 16.3 acre park was purchased for \$65,000 and developed for \$191,200 in 1982. Half the purchase price and development cost was funded by the Department of Interior and the balance was provided from a 1978 bond election. It is located in the Mission Woods and Hinsdale subdivisions and can be accessed from either Walnut or Allendale Blvd. Included in Pleasant Lea are two



tennis courts, two handball courts, a large playground area, and a multi-purpose field. Through a cooperative effort with the Lee' Summit Optimists, Pleasant Lea Middle School and LSPR, an environmental learning area has been developed around the Bob Storey Memorial Trail, a one mile asphalt walking trail. The area includes an arboretum and outdoor classroom.

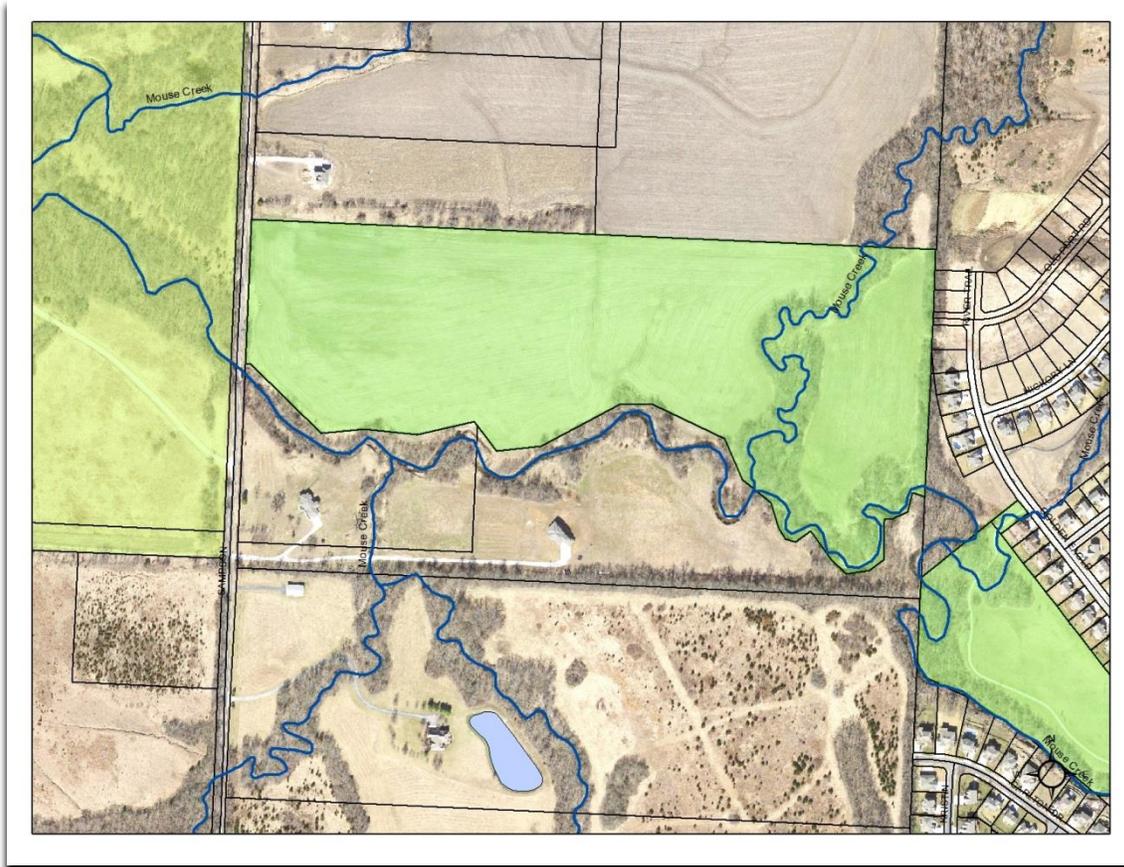
Future Improvements

With much of the park infrastructure and amenities aging, staff intends in the next

year to prepare a master plan of improvements. With funding for neighborhood park redevelopment from the ¼ cent sales tax proceeds, renovation to Pleasant Lea Park is tentatively scheduled within the next 3-4 years.



This currently undeveloped property on the Southwest side of Lee’s Summit is approximately 50 acres of farm land and is adjacent to Eagle Creek Park. The property was purchased from the Sharon Daugherty Family with a modest donation from the landowner for a cost of approximately \$225,000. The property is accessible from Sampson Road, a narrow low speed arterial on the city’s west side.



Future Improvements

Future park development plans are contingent on improving Sampson Road and providing trail connectivity along Mouse Creek which acts as the south border to the park. No timetable is set for these improvements. Additional park amenities under consideration would be additional soccer, baseball, softball, and football open field practice space or competition fields. Also under consideration would be a community center to serve the city’s rapidly growing west side.

This 25 acre park located off Bowlin Road in Jackson County’s, Blue Springs Park was developed for approximately \$310,000 in 2007. Significant contributions (over \$50,000 and in kind labor assistance with the construction of the park shelter) were made by the Lee’s Summit Firefighters Union in the development of the park. The park is named for Bryan C. Pottberg, a Lee’s Summit Firefighter who died in the line of duty during a training exercise. The acquisition of the park is a sublease between Lee’s

Summit Parks and Recreation and Jackson County



Parks and Recreation who lease the lake shore property for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Only a very small portion of the park is developed with a majority of the property remaining in wooded terrain. The Park includes a memorial plaza with a brick emblem of the firefighters seal, a firefighter

themed playground, a park shelter/gazebo, a short walking trail, and paved parking.

Future Improvements

Long range plans include development of nature trails through some of the undeveloped property to the north and south of the playground and memorial plaza. Estimated cost of these improvements is approximately \$100,000.



South Lea Park

819 SW Lea Dr

Located on South Lea Drive, this one acre park contains a playground area, foot bridge over the creek, a basketball goal and three horseshoe courts. This park was obtained in 1960 from the South Lea Development Company.

Future Improvements

There are no future plans for improvements to South Lea Park at this time.





Jackson County Parks and Recreation Department donated this 6.5 acre site in 1976 to the city of Lee's Summit. It is located on Blue Parkway and has one baseball diamond, three lighted tennis courts, one multi-purpose field, playground area and restrooms. Renovation of the tennis courts was completed in 1979 at a cost of \$83,000. Funds for this project were provided from the 1978 bond election. In the fall of 2016, the park shelter was removed due to structural damage making way for a new shelter.

Future Improvements

LSPR is currently working with a park planning consultant to prepare plans for renovating the park with construction tentatively scheduled to begin in 2018. Estimated cost of improvements is approximately \$1.5 million.





This 31 acre park was donated by the Diamond Development Company in 1999 and 2000. The park is located on Anderson Drive in the Oaks Ridge Meadows subdivision and is adjacent to Jackson County Parks and Recreation property along Little Blue Trace. Value of the property was appraised at \$111,000. The park facilities include 1.1 miles of walking trail, playground area, cul-de-sac parking, informal playing field, and natural area. Improvements for the park have been funded in part by a \$143,900 grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

Future Improvements

There are no future plans for improvements to Velie Park at this time.



Ferrol Gehrig donated this 2.2 acre site in the Mulberry East subdivision on Chestnut Street in 1978. Utilizing the land as a match in 1980, a \$55,000 grant from the Department of Interior was obtained to develop a picnic shelter with tables, one playground area and a volleyball/basketball court. The park is named after Gehrig's mother, who is related to Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. A public works storm water detention/rain garden was installed in 2013 as part of a regional stormwater improvement plan for the neighboring areas on the west end of the park



Future Improvements

There are no future improvement plans for the park at this time.



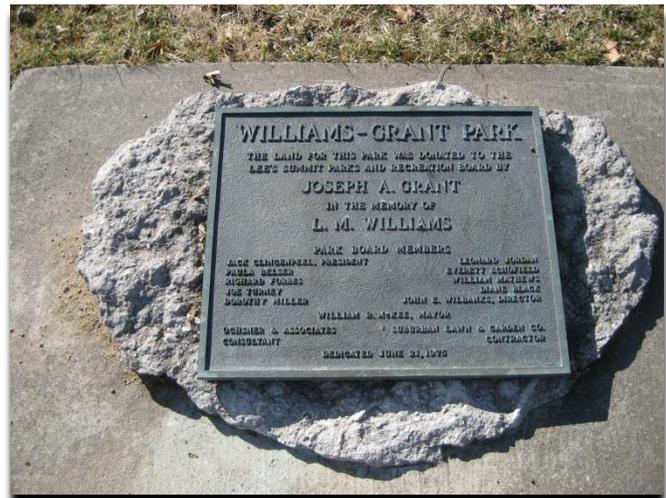
Williams-Grant Park

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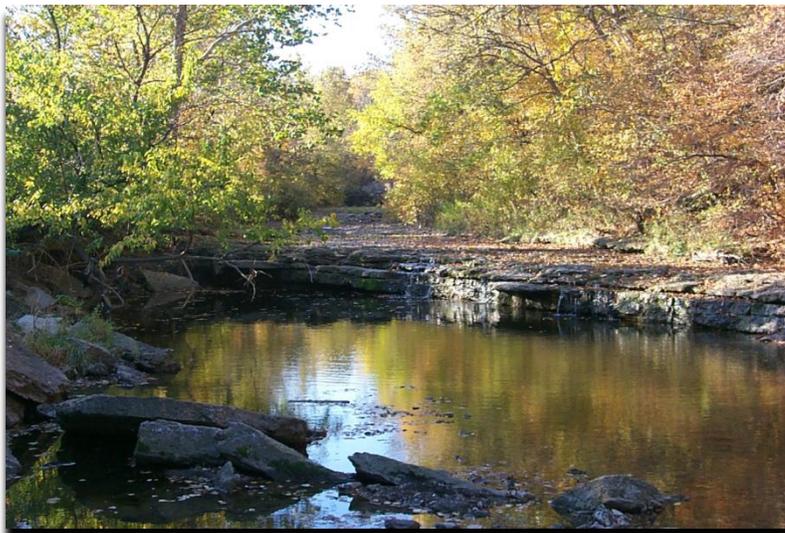
This 3.42 acre park at 4th and Howard streets was a gift from Joseph A Grant in 1973. The park serves the older neighborhoods near downtown Lee's Summit. There is a picnic area, a multi-purpose field, a walking trail, and one playground area. The park was built at a cost of \$15,500 and was paid for with funds from the Department of Interior. A public works storm water detention/rain garden was installed in 2013 as part of a regional stormwater improvement plan for the neighboring areas on the east end of the park.

Future Improvements

While the park in the downtown district is very popular among neighboring patrons, there is only limited room for park expansion and little or no available space to provide parking. Some playground improvements and additions could be made in the next several years to enhance the park. The estimated cost of playground and various park improvements is approximately \$100,000.



This 13 acre park, adjacent to Charles David Hartman Memorial Park, is a natural area with a .75 mile wood chip trail that meanders through different types of trees and wildflowers, wood bridges and waterfalls. This property was donated by David Gale of FEL lands in the 1990's. A Cedar Creek sewer expansion project realigned the trail in 2014 with a reforestation plan implemented.



Future Improvements

While some interpretive and nature trail signage could be installed at various stations along the trail, there are no plans for significant improvements at Winterset Nature Area at this time.



Woods Playground

615 NW Little Ave



This .25 acre site was donated in 1976 by Randy and Mary Beth Woods. Developed at a cost of \$10,417, the park is a neighborhood playground on Little Avenue.

Future Improvements

Limited accessibility and limited park area restrict opportunities for future improvements to the park.