

The City of Berkley Parks & Recreation Master Plan

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INTRODUCTION

The City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan conveys a vision for parks and recreation in the City of Berkley. The purpose of this Plan is to guide recreation planning and development efforts of the City over the next five-year period, through 2020. Once adopted, the Plan is the official document to be used by the community to guide decisions regarding parks and recreation.

The revised and updated Plan is intended to meet state standards for community recreation planning and is necessary to gain eligibility for grant programs.

WHAT THIS PLAN CONTAINS

The City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan follows the format suggested by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) in the Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plans (2009). The Plan includes:

- o A brief overview of the plan as well as a Description of the Planning Process which was used to develop the Plan,
- o A Community Description, providing information on both the social and physical characteristics of the community,
- o The community Administrative Structure, including information on funding and budget,
- o A detailed Recreation Inventory describing the existing parks and recreational facilities of the community as well as those of the county and the region,
- o A description of the Public Participation portion of the Plan including input received from local officials, staff, and residents, which helped in formulating the plan's Goals and Objectives,
- o The Action Program which provides an action plan and strategies for implementation, and
- o Supporting Documents including the resolutions and notices documenting the Plan's adoption by the City Council.



PLANNING PROCESS

The process used to generate this Plan consisted of three phases: background studies, evaluation, and plan development.

1. **Background Studies.** This phase involved gathering and updating information from census data, existing documents, plans, and from field observations. The data is organized into two main categories: community description and recreation inventory.
2. **Evaluation.** The second phase in the planning process considered the City’s parks and recreation services deficiencies and needs. A detailed survey was conducted in 2009 to establish priorities for the future improvement of parks and recreation facilities, programs, and services within the community.
3. **Plan Development.** The last phase in the process involved plan development and adoption. Based on the deficiencies and needs identified in the evaluation phase, goals and objectives were formulated and a specific action plan developed to address the recreation needs of the community. Strategies to implement the Plan were also researched and included in the plan.

The following diagram illustrates the planning process and how it corresponds to the MDNR suggested format described above.



This Master Plan was developed with extensive input from local officials, staff, community stakeholders, and residents. In addition to a resident survey, a Public Input Workshop was conducted to encourage participation and generate ideas for improving the community parks and recreation system. A public hearing was conducted, and the Plan was recommended for adoption at the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting of January XX, 2016. The Plan was then adopted by the City Council on February 1, 2016. The Master Plan was also available for public review and comment at the City Hall, Berkley Public Library, and the Community Center for one month prior to the public hearing.

	Recreation Inventory, Resource Inventory & Community Description	Community Attitude and Interest Survey	Input Sessions	Goal Formulation	Action Program	Public Hearing	Plan Adoption
City Council			√	√	√	√	√
City of Berkley Planning Commission			√	√	√	√	
City of Berkley Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	√	√	√	√	√	√	
City of Berkley Staff	√	√	√	√	√	√	
City of Berkley Residents		√	√			√	



COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

The City of Berkley is located in southeastern Oakland County, and is one of the original Detroit “inner-ring” suburbs. Most of Berkley we see today was developed after World War II and into the 1960s. Its eastern boundary is the famous Woodward Avenue (M-1), home of the Dream Cruise and the world’s first concrete highway. Berkley’s southern boundary (Eleven Mile Road) is three miles from the limits of the City of Detroit. Greenfield Road borders Berkley to the west, and Webster Road to the north. The surrounding communities include Huntington Woods, Oak Park, Southfield, and Royal Oak.

The City of Berkley Master Plan (2007 Update) summarizes the City’s significant assets and opportunities. The community is located in the center of Southeast Michigan, allowing easy access to amenities available in the greater Detroit area including the arts, recreation, sports, and major transportation routes. The community has the benefits of a City, with a small-town feel. Residents enjoy affordable and safe neighborhoods; walkable, tree-lined streets; and a high-quality school system that supports growing families. The residents also have a strong sense of community and shared pride in the City’s culture, politics and social opportunities.

The purpose of the first few chapters of the Master Plan is to provide an overview of the human and recreational resources of the City of Berkley with the goal of understanding the unique features and opportunities the community has to offer.

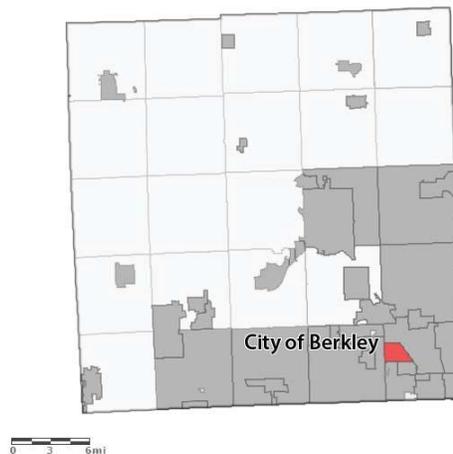


Figure 1: Oakland County



Figure 2: SEMCOG Region



POPULATION

The City of Berkley is located in an area of the state which, for several decades, has exhibited decreasing population. The population in the City peaked in 1960 at 23,275, and has declined over the years to 14,970 in 2010. For the first time since the 1960s, however, Berkley and the region as a whole is projected to demonstrate population growth. For most of southeast Michigan, the population is expected to bottom out around 2020 and begin to show gradual improvement as demonstrated in the chart below:

Table 1: Historical Population Data: Berkley & Environs

	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	% change 2000 - 2010
Berkley	23,275	22,618	18,637	16,960	15,531	14,970	-3.6%
Huntington Woods	8,746	8,536	6,937	6,419	6,151	6,238	1.4%
Oak Park	36,632	36,762	31,537	30,462	29,793	29,312	-1.6%
Royal Oak	80,612	85,499	70,983	65,410	60,062	57,236	-4.7%
Southfield	31,501	69,285	75,568	75,728	78,322	71,758	-8.4%
Oakland County	690,259	907,871	1,011,793	1,083,592	1,194,156	1,202,362	0.7%
Region	4,181,354	4,736,008	4,682,726	4,590,468	4,833,368	4,704,809	-2.7%

Source: 2010 U. S. Census Bureau /SEMCOG

Table 2: Population Projections: Berkley & Environs

	2010	2020	2040	% change 2010 - 2040	# people
Berkley	14,970	14,887	15,345	2.5%	375
Huntington Woods	6,238	6,273	6,439	3.2%	201
Oak Park	29,312	27,569	26,981	-8.0%	-2,331
Royal Oak	57,236	57,794	59,105	3.3%	1,869
Southfield	71,758	71,420	72,418	0.9%	660
Oakland County	1,202,362	1,218,449	1,246,863	3.7%	41,501
Region	4,704,809	4,646,938	4,742,083	0.8%	37,274*

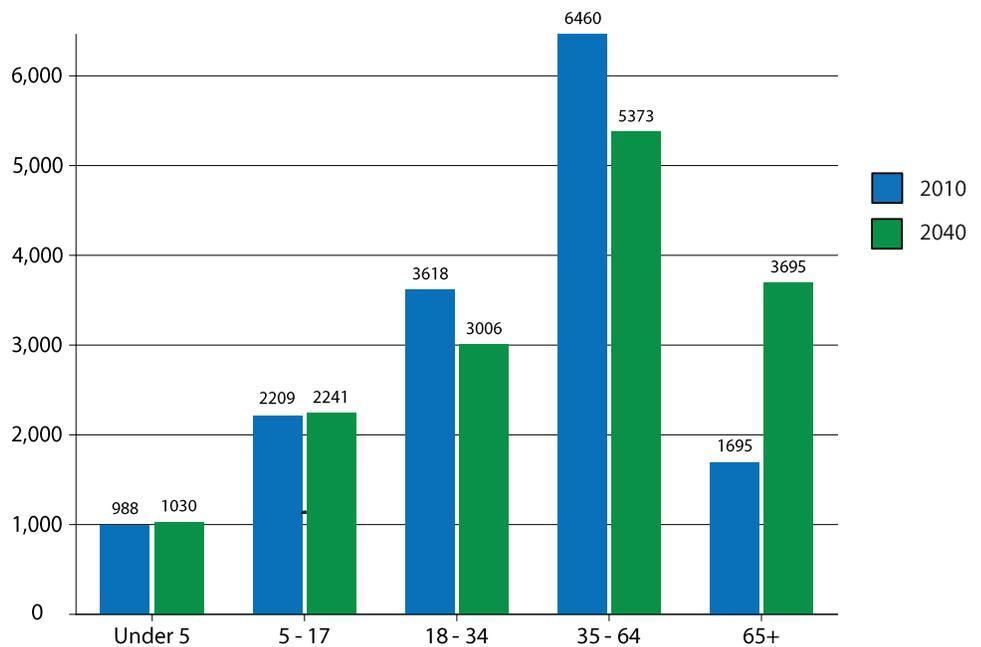
* = Note: Population decline for region is forecast to bottom out by 2020 and rebound to the number shown in 2040.

Source: 2010 U. S. Census Bureau /SEMCOG

Historical population trends in the inner-ring suburbs were the result of expansive office, commercial, industrial, and residential development in the outer-ring suburbs. The more recent trend of “Millennials” moving back into urban cores is helping to reverse recent downturns, however, especially on a regional level. Factors such as the reduction (overall) in the number of people living together in each household, and the general aging of the region’s population similarly will have an impact on the City’s population. Looking forward, changes in the economy, the housing market, regional and local policy, and zoning and land use regulations could also affect the future population of the City.

The following figure illustrates the age characteristics of Berkley. The City’s current demographic curve demonstrates a fairly well balanced range of ages, with approximately two-thirds between the ages of 18 and 64, and the remaining one-third either young (18 and younger – 21.4%), or seniors (65 and older – 11.3%). SEMCOG’s 2040 population forecast, however, calls for the number of seniors to increase significantly in the coming years, with the mid-age-range population decreasing proportionally. This forecast is in line with the SEMCOG 2035 population forecast, which predicted a similar trend. The number of children under age 18 will remain relatively stable.

Figure 3: Age Characteristics (2010 & 2040)



Source: 2010 U. S. Census Bureau / SEMCOG 2040 Regional Development Forecast

More detailed age data shows that the City’s current population is relatively young, reflecting families with children. Children make up about 21% percent of the total population in Berkley (14.8% ages 5 – 17, and 6.6% under age 5). Several residents provided anecdotal evidence of a large increase in families with young children, noting elementary schools packed to capacity. Census data shows that more than 61 percent of the City’s population is under the age of 45. Despite all of this, trends indicates an aging population. In 2010, the median age for the City was 35.5 years. In 2010, the median age increased to 37.9 years. This trend is not unique to Berkley; Oakland County (from 36.7 to 40.2 years), Michigan (from 35.3 to 38.9), and the United States as a whole (35.3 to 37.2) all experienced a similar increase in the median age.

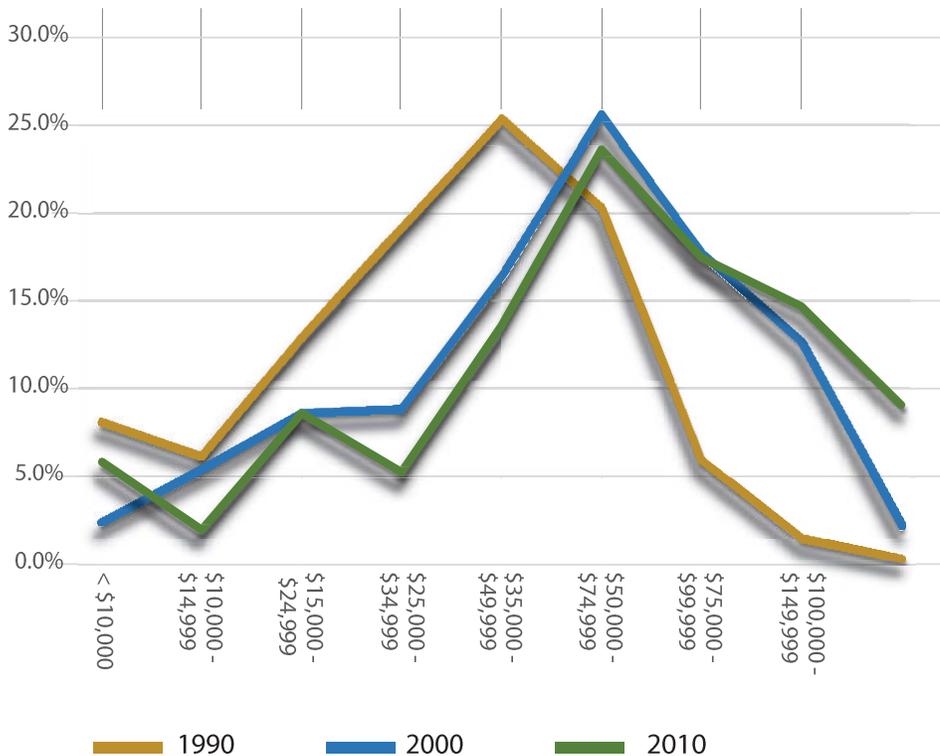


Housing availability may be a key driver for attracting younger families. Berkley's homes are largely post-WWII bungalows set on relatively small lots. The City has experienced a strong trend towards replacing the bungalows with larger homes in recent years. Even so, relatively small lot sizes limit the ultimate size of the house which in turn helps keep the average home price at a more reasonable level than those found in many nearby communities. Berkley's smaller houses tend to appeal more to young singles, couples without children, families with young children, and couples whose children are grown and have left home.

Racially, Berkley's population is largely homogeneous, although there has been an increase in diversity in recent years. In 1990, almost 99% of the population was white. By 2010, the white population dropped to 91.9%. African Americans have made significant gains, growing from 0.7% in 2000 to 2.3% in 2010. Other racial groups have shown small gains as well.

A clear trend of increased affluence is noted when comparing the various data collected over the last few decades. The median household income of Berkley residents was \$36,693 in 1990, rising to \$57,620 in 2000 and then to \$65,548 in 2010. The number of residents making \$100,000 or more rose dramatically during that time period, from 125 households in 1990 to 1,609 in 2010. Berkley's median income is just slightly below that of Oakland County as a whole (\$66,390), and well above that of the State of Michigan (\$48,273).

Figure 4: Income Distribution 1990 - 2010



Educational attainment of residents in the City is comparable to that of Oakland County, but significantly higher than the State of Michigan. These achievements have grown since 1990, when only 83.4% of City residents had a high school diploma, and 20.5% had college degrees.

Table 3: Educational Attainment

	Berkley	Oakland County	State of Michigan
Graduate / Professional Degree	16.0%	17.6%	8.1%
Bachelor’s Degree	27.6%	24.6%	13.7%
Associate Degree	7.9%	7.4%	7.0%
Some College, No Degree	21.7%	21.3%	23.3%
High School Graduate	21.6%	21.4%	31.3%
Did not graduate high school	5.3#	7.8%	16.6%

Source: 2010 U. S. Census Bureau /SEMCOG

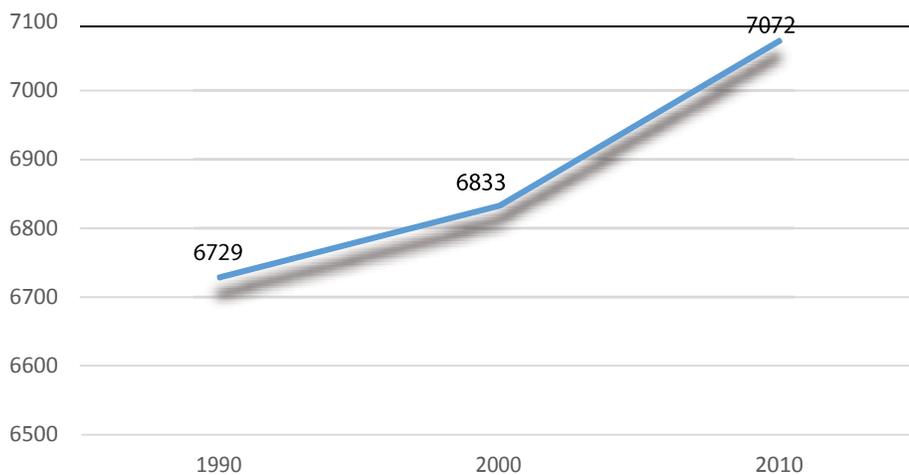




HOUSING

Housing trends, depicted in Figure 3, indicate that growth in the City's housing stock exceeds population growth. Berkley's population decreased by 8.4 percent from 1990 to 2000, while the number of housing units increased by 1.5 percent during this time. While the city's population appears to have rebounded slightly since 2010, the growth is slightly less than 1 percent, well below the forecast level of new building. All of the building permits issued since 2000 have been for single family homes. When accounting for demolitions, there have been a net of 132 new homes constructed since 2000.

Figure 5: Housing Stock 1990 - 2010



Source: 2010 U. S. Census Bureau / SEMCOG 2040 Regional Development Forecast

Although the predominant housing type in the City of Berkley is the traditional single-family unit, comprising 90.7 percent of the City's dwelling units, there are other housing types available as well. Multiple family dwelling units comprise about 6.9 percent of the housing stock; 1.9 percent are duplexes and townhouses.

While most of the City's housing stock was built before 1959 (81.8%), there has been an influx of new housing built in place of the old bungalows. 234 homes have been built since 2000 (source: SEMCOG). The median home value was \$142,200, well below the median for Oakland County (\$204,300), but above the median for Michigan (\$121,700). Like all communities within the state, the average home price has decreased over the past 10 years due to the severe economic downturn.

LAND USE

The City's most predominant land use is single-family residential development. Scattered throughout the residential areas are public uses (schools, community facilities), and recreation/conservation areas (parks). Office, commercial and industrial uses are located along the major corridors, including Eleven Mile, Coolidge Highway, Twelve Mile, and Woodward Avenue. See the Existing Land Use map on the following page.

Table 4: Land Use - 2010

	Acres	Percent
Single-family residential	942	56.9%
Multiple-family residential	10	0.6%
Commercial	82	5.0%
Industrial	10	0.6%
Governmental/Institutional	187	11.3%
Park, recreation, and open space	31	1.9%
Transportation, Communication, and Utility	393	23.8%

Source: 2010 U. S. Census Bureau /SEMCOG

TRANSPORTATION

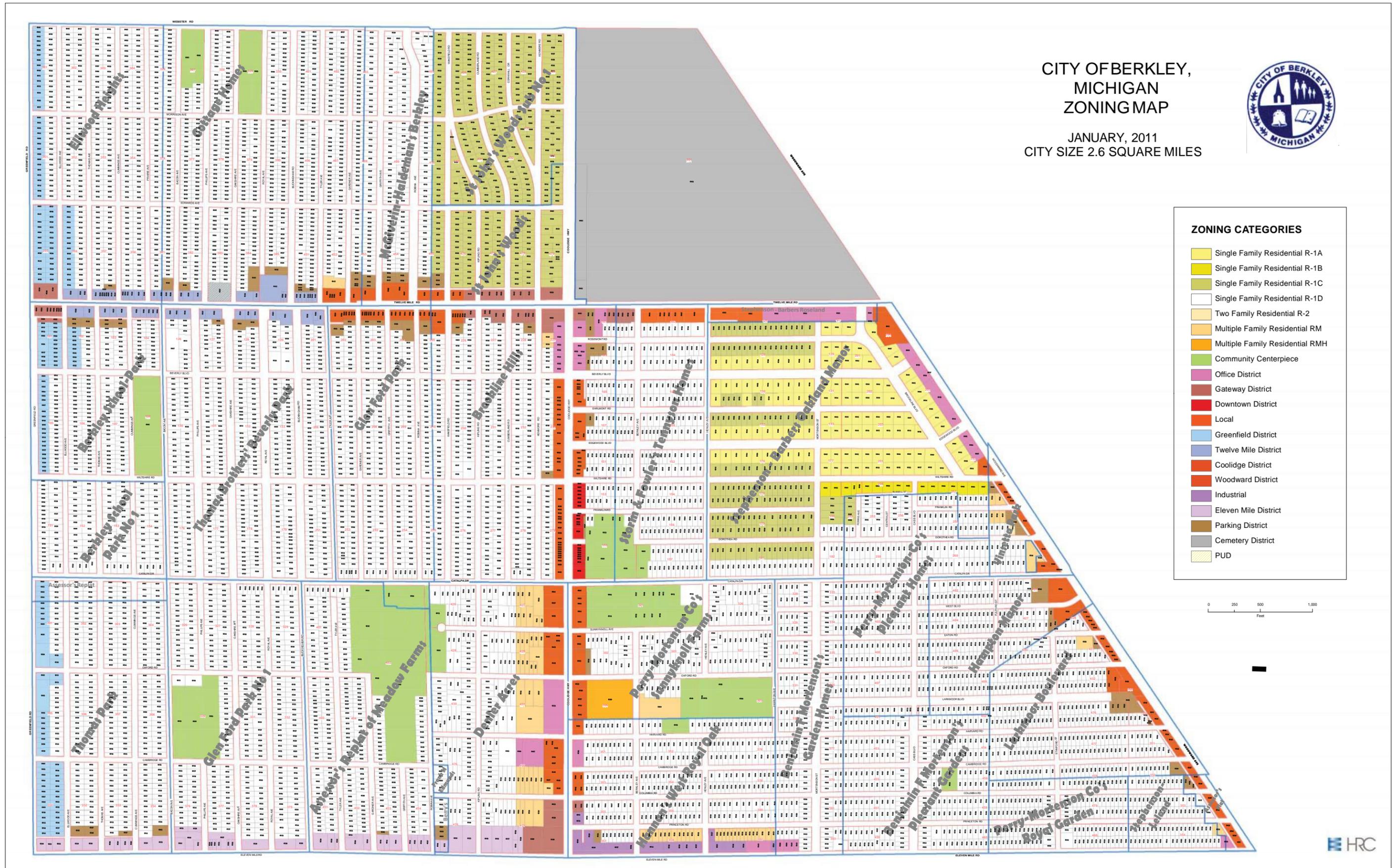
Bus service through Berkley is provided by Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART). A number of SMART bus lines travel Woodward Avenue (Berkley's eastern border), providing access between downtown Detroit, Pontiac, Birmingham, and the Chrysler Tech Center in Auburn Hills. The #415 bus line along Greenfield (Berkley's western border) services Greenfield, Fourteen Mile Road, and Southfield to the Oakland County Community College campus at Southfield. The #740 bus line services many shopping and employment centers between Roseville and Farmington Hills including Macomb, Tel-Twelve and Universal malls; Oakland County Community College campus at Farmington Hills; General Motors Technical Center and Macomb Community College south campus.

The City passed a resolution in support of "complete street" policies in 2010, and adopted a Multi-Modal Transportation Plan in May 2012. Berkley has made concerted efforts to make the city more pedestrian and biker friendly, and continues to pursue opportunities to improve the street level experience for non-motorized users.



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Figure 6: Berkley Zoning Map



Source: City of Berkley Master Plan 2011



Figure 7: Berkley Land Use Map
12 Mile Rd



Executive Office Building
2100 Pontiac Lake Road, Bldg. 41W
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248.858.0720
www.oakgov.com/luz



2015 Land Use City of Berkley

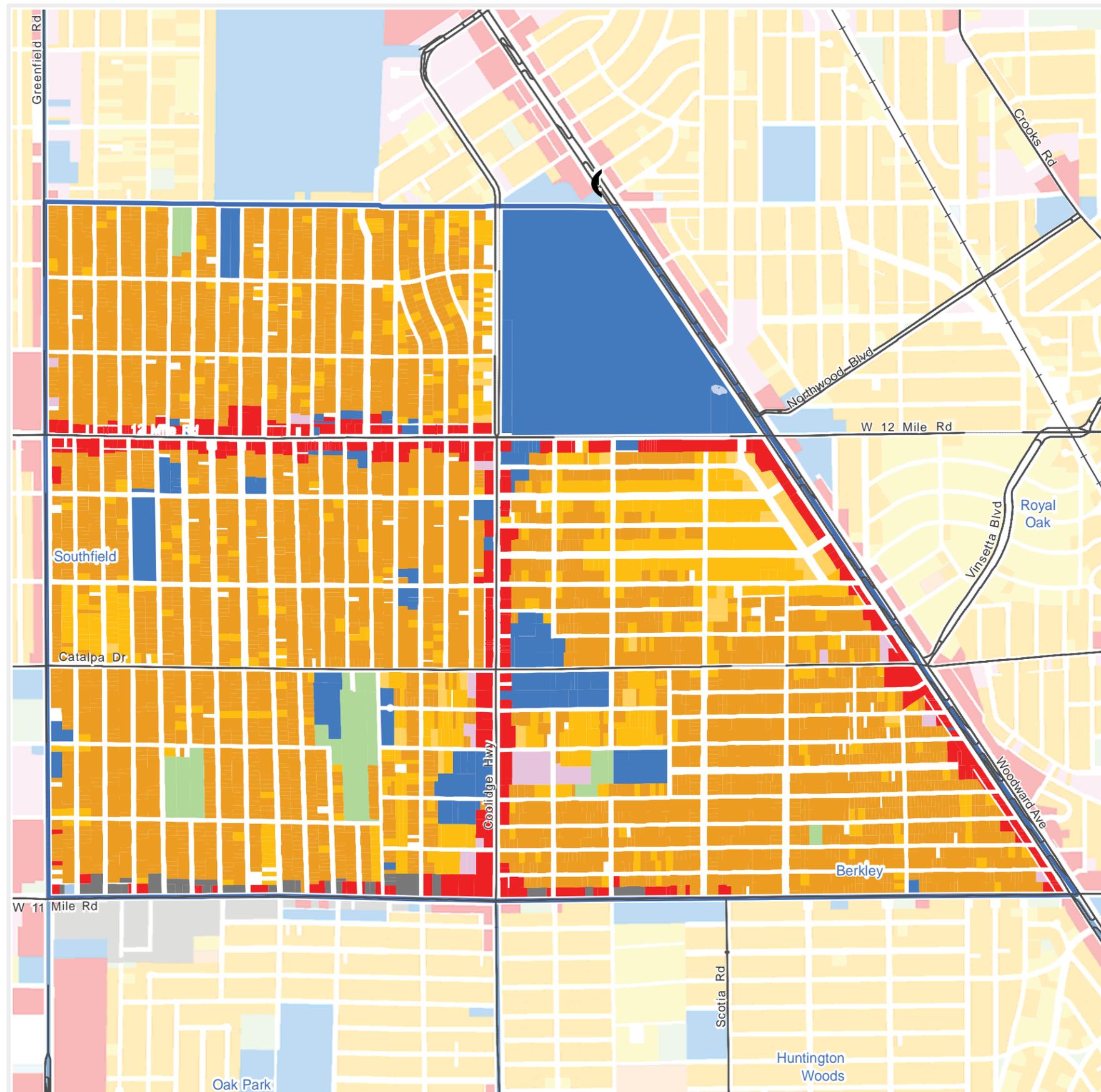
Legend

- Agricultural
- Single Family, 10 acres or greater
- Single Family, 5 to 9.9 acres
- Single Family, 2.5 to 4.9 acres
- Single Family, 1 to 2.4 acres
- Single Family, 14,000 to 43,559 sq. ft.
- Single Family, 8,000 to 13,999 sq. ft.
- Single Family, Less than 8,000 sq. ft.
- Single Family, More than one unit per parcel
- Multiple Family
- Mobile Home Park
- Commercial/Office
- Industrial
- Public/Institutional
- Recreation/Conservation
- Transportation/Utility/Communication
- Vacant
- Extractive



1 inch = 1,686 feet

Map created on December 14, 2015



The information provided herewith has been compiled from recorded deeds, plats, tax maps, surveys and other public records. It is not a legally recorded map or survey and is not intended to be used as one. Users should consult the information sources mentioned above when questions arise.

Source: Oakland County Economic Development & Community Affairs, 2015



NATURAL FEATURES

Before the City of Berkley was developed in the 1940s, the predominant vegetation of the area was hardwood swamp and bogs, being within the large, prehistoric lake plain of the Detroit area. The clay and poorly-drained soils underlying these wetland plant communities are still present today, which when combined with the large amount of impervious surfaces, present the City with flooding problems. The stormwater system in the City is a combined stormwater / sanitary system, most of which was installed during the 1940's. The City's parks and Roseland Park Cemetery, in the northeast corner of the City, provide necessary stormwater detention.

The City's topography is essentially flat. The land pitches gently from the northwest to the southeast, ranging in elevation from 710 to 660 feet.

Wildlife within Berkley is typical of urban areas with large, mature trees, and includes squirrels, chipmunks, raccoons, opossums, skunks, birds, and other small urban wildlife.

The City is within the Clinton River watershed, and within the Red Run sub-watershed. Stormwater runoff from Berkley makes its way into the Clinton River, and eventually to Lake St. Clair. Through watershed planning efforts, the Red Run sub-watershed communities have identified the following impacts from stormwater runoff on rivers and lakes: pesticides and fertilizers from lawns, oil and grease from roads and parking lots, and sediment from construction sites and other land disturbances.

PLANNING INITIATIVES

The City of Berkley updated its master plan in 2011. Several land use goals and objectives were identified that could affect its role in providing parks, open space, and recreation uses. Due in part to the recent economic downturn, the projects have not yet been implemented, but remain items of discussion in the community. The goals or objectives relevant to parks and recreation include:

- o Adding a Veteran's Park in the southwest corner of Roseland Park Cemetery. This park concept is undersigned and calls for the dedication of approximately 1.5 acres at the northeast corner of Coolidge / Twelve Mile intersection to honor the area's war veterans. Discussion with Cemetery representatives is needed to initiate this proposal.
- o Addition of a mini-park at the terminus of Edgewood at Woodward Avenue. This park will be located within the current right-of-way, thereby closing this access point to Woodward.
- o Closing of Robina immediately north and south of Twelve Mile Road. The closed intersections would form permanent pocket parks, while the intersection at Twelve Mile would be converted to a public plaza in the heart of downtown Berkley for special events.
- o Addition of a linear park along Coolidge north of Twelve Mile, intended to provide a recreation opportunity to residents and also create a connection from Beaumont Hospital to Downtown Berkley.



ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

CITY PARKS AND RECREATION

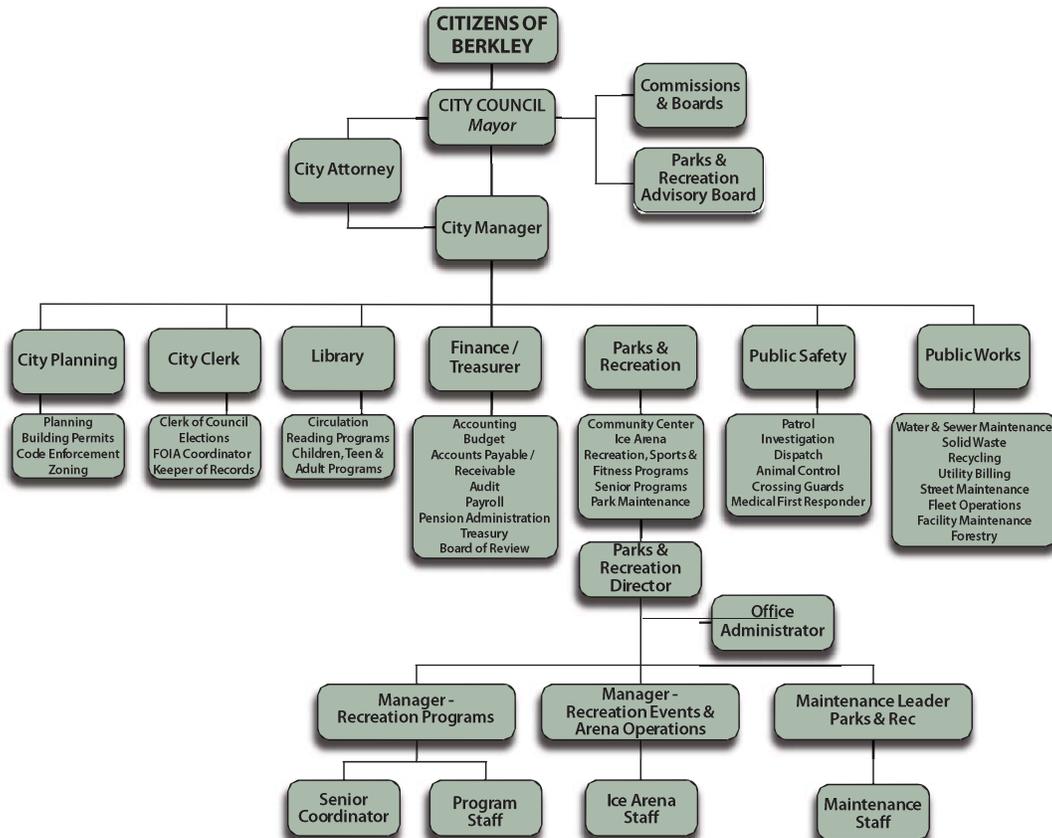
Berkley has a fully staffed Parks and Recreation Department committed to providing recreation services to the community. The Parks and Recreation Director is a full-time position and responsible for the administration of the Department. In this capacity, the Director and her staff plan, organize and implement programs and facilities designed to meet the recreation needs of the community. The Director is hired by and responsible to the City manager. The City Manager is responsible to the City Council, which makes the final decisions relative to site improvements, capital projects, and the budget. Department staff operates all recreation programs, and maintains all of the facilities it owns or leases.

Part-time and seasonal staff are used on an extensive basis. The Senior Coordinator is a part-time position working approximately 28 hours a week. Seasonal employees amount to 30-40 people annually.

The Parks and Recreation Department currently employs 5 full-time staff:

- o Parks and Recreation Director – Theresa McArleton
- o Manager, Recreation Programs – Scott Jennex
- o Manager, Recreation Events & Arena Operations - Dan McMinn
- o Maintenance Leader – Dan Simpson
- o Office Administrator – currently vacant
- o Part-time Senior Coordinator – Sue Thornton

Figure 8: Administrative Structure





PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

The City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is a volunteer board originally established in 1971 under P.A. 156, Recreation and Playgrounds, of 1917. The Board meets on the second Thursday of every month to discuss general park and recreation operations and to provide input and recommendations on both the short- and long-range planning of the recreation programs and facilities in the City. Sub-committees are formed for special projects on an as-needed basis.

FUNDING AND BUDGET

The Parks and Recreation Department is supported from the City General Fund, user fees, donations, and grants. The 2008-2009 general fund subsidy represents 38 percent of the total amount while user fees, rentals, and other charges are expected to generate the remainder. A three-year comparison of the Parks and Recreation budget is included in Table 5.

Table 5: Three Year Financial Comparison

	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
EXPENDITURES			
Recreation Revolving Fund	\$380,505.00	\$383,250.00	\$375,503.00
Ice Arena Fund	\$382,626.00	\$398,498.00	\$384,251.00
Senior Recreation Revolving Fund	\$80,027.00	\$81,834.00	\$41,825.00
General Fund:			
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	\$231,020.00	\$258,859.00	\$283,922.00
Materials & Supplies	\$18,303.00	\$18,384.00	\$20,969.00
Contractual Services	\$21,140.00	\$23,875.00	\$35,903.00
Insurance	\$3,430.00	\$3,414.00	\$3,376.00
Utilities	\$19,818.00	\$21,688.00	\$21,399.00
Other Charges	\$24,890.00	\$19,447.00	\$27,037.00
Capital Outlay	\$14,535.00	\$9,190.00	\$282,259.00
Debt Service	\$1,035.00	-\$695.00	
General Fund Total	\$334,171.00	\$354,153.00	
Total Expenditures	\$1,177,329.00	\$1,217,735.00	\$801,579
REVENUES			
Recreation Revolving Fund	\$379,172.00	\$407,830.00	\$449,556.00
Ice Arena Fund	\$417,037.00	\$453,459.00	\$420,200.00
Senior Recreation Revolving Fund	\$88,408.00	\$98,776.00	\$117,411.00
General Fund	\$334,171.00	\$354,153.00	\$674,865.00
Total Revenues	\$1,218,788.00	\$1,314,218.00	\$1,622,032.00

VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERSHIPS

The Parks and Recreation Department works very closely in cooperative relationships with many of the civic organizations, youth sports associations, and special interest groups that are active in the community. Members of these groups have spent countless hours volunteering their time managing and coordinating youth sports programs. Others have provided a wealth of knowledge and skills, as well as monetary donations and labor to assist the City in coordinating programs and completing a variety of park improvement projects. As an example, volunteers have participated in the City's Adopt-A-Park program which requires substantial commitments of time and financial resources for beautification projects. These groups include:

Youth sports associations:

- o SOCS – Soccer Club
- o Dad's Club – Baseball
- o Hoops – Basketball Club
- o Mom's Club – Girl's Softball
- o Steelers Football

Civic organizations:

- o American Legion
- o Knight's of Columbus
- o V F W
- o Lions Club
- o Rotary Club
- o Berkley Junior Women's Club
- o Optimist Club
- o Tri-Community Coalition
- o Berkley Days Association

Scouting Groups:

- o Boy Scouts
- o Girl Scouts

Other Organizations:

- o Chamber of Commerce
- o Friends of Berkley Parks & Recreation
- o Friendly Neighbors Club
- o Berkley/Huntington Woods Youth Assistance
- o Historical Society
- o Berkley Bear Boosters
- o Tree Advisory Council
- o Friends of the City of Berkley Library
- o Red Hat Society

The City's Parks and Recreation Department also works with individuals who regularly give of their time and talents to assist with special projects, office and clerical tasks, special events and numerous other activities. In appreciation of all these efforts, the City publicly recognizes these individuals and groups on a regular basis, and the Parks and Recreation Department routinely provides support services essential to the success of their endeavors.

The City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Department has also developed a working agreement with the Berkley School District. The City has lease agreements with Angell, Pattengill, and Rogers Elementary Schools. As part of this agreement, the Parks and Recreation Department maintains the grounds and equipment at Angell Playground. The School District continues to maintain the Rogers and Pattengill playgrounds. In turn, the Schools use the City's ballfields and tennis courts for high school athletic teams, and the City's play equipment for elementary children's recess activities.



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RECREATION INVENTORY

The residents of the City of Berkley are able to take advantage of a variety of recreational resources at the local level, as well as at the county and state levels. There are nine city parks and several schools within the city boundaries ;three of the facilities are jointly run by the school district and the parks department. Several private, county, and state-owned recreation facilities located in or near the City of Berkley.

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) categorizes parks by size and function and offers four general park types: Neighborhood, Community, Regional, and Special Use Areas. Communities would not typically have instances of each type of park; Berkley, for example, does not contain a regional park or any special use areas, and neither recreational facility would be appropriate in such a densely populated area. A description of the parkland classification is provided in Table 6 below.

This section describes the recreational opportunities available to Berkley residents. The information contained in the following pages was compiled from community recreation plans, websites, aerial photographs and a field survey.

Table 6: NRPA Parkland Classification and Standards

Type	Service Area	Desirable Size	Acres / 1000 Residents	Desirable Site Characteristics and Facilities	Berkley Parks
Neighborhood Park	1/4 to 1/2 mile	5-15 acres	1 to 2 acres	Serve the surrounding neighborhoods with open space and facilities such as basketball courts, children’s play equipment and picnic tables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Angell Park o Jaycee Park o Kiwanis Tot-Lot Park o Lazenby Field o Oxford Towers Park o Pattengill Playground & Ballfield o Rogers Park
Community Park	1-2 miles	25+ acres	5 to 8 acres	May include areas suited for intense recreation facilities such as athletic complexes and large swimming pools. Easily accessible to nearby neighborhoods and other neighborhoods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Community Park o Merchants Park
Regional Park	Several communities	200+ acres	5 to 10 acres	Contiguous with or encompassing natural resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Catalpa Oaks County Park o Red Oaks Nature Center o Lake St. Clair Metropark o Huron Meadows Metropark
Special Use Areas	No applicable standards	Variable depending on use	Variable		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Detroit Zoo o Rackham Golf Course o Red Run Golf Club



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Berkley Park Facilities

City of Berkley
Oakland County

0 500 1,000 Feet
Source: Livingston County Base Map Data
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Ann Arbor, Michigan





NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Angell Park: One of the jointly operated school district parks, Angell Park sits next to Angell Elementary School in the west-central portion of Berkley. The land is leased from the School District, and the City provides and maintains all recreation amenities. The park is used by school children during recess, and by the community at other times. The 5.68 acre school facility contains 3.82 acres of parkland; the park space includes one baseball field with bench dugouts, two tennis courts, three swings, basketball court, climbing and play structures and picnic facilities. The play equipment at this park is accessible from the parking area and school building, and the play structures are barrier free. The perimeter of the park is defined with a sidewalk, but the interior park elements are not connected with an accessible path system. The bleachers could also incorporate a concrete pad for standing wheelchairs.

During the preparation of this Master Plan, the City and school district announced an agreement to replace the aging climbing structure in the middle of Angell Park. The structure had been fenced off from use for several months and was becoming a point of contention for City residents. Drainage improvements are schedule for installation in conjunction with the new play facility.





Jaycee Park: This 2.71 acre park serves the northern part of the city, providing a large, partially wooded setting for picnics and large group gatherings. The park is unique in the city due to its wooded nature; it is the closest Berkley has to a nature area. The park includes a large pavilion, with picnic tables and in-ground grills. It also has two large play structures, a swing set, and other climbing and play equipment. The park facilities are accessible to wheelchair users, including accessible parking, sidewalks around the perimeter and through the park, accessible picnic tables, and accessible matting to barrier free play structures.





Kiwanis Tot Lot: Located in the southeast part of the City, this small (0.77 acres) park serves neighborhood children via a number of play structures, including swings, large play structure, spring teeter-totter, merry-go-round, and other pieces. Much of the out-dated equipment has been replaced in recent years, although some older pieces still remain in the park. The park also offers several picnic tables and a drinking fountain. The surface around the play structures and swings and through the center of the park is covered with wood chips, meaning that the playground is not considered barrier free. As the park is developed, the addition of matting and/or other forms of barrier free paths will be necessary.





Lazenby Field/Oxford Towers Park/Rogers Park: The park campus, totaling 8.91 acres, is connected by openings through shared fences. LazenbyField consists of one 2.62 acre baseball field with bleachers. It is located directly next to Rogers Elementary School. While general access to the field and parking are barrier free, the bleachers and drinking fountain need to be improved with concrete pads for standing and accessibility to the fountain.

Oxford Towers Park is a small (0.85 acres) neighborhood park that contains two lit tennis courts and benches. These amenities are served by an asphalt pathway that provides accessibility to each.

Rogers Park is the second school district facility operated by the Parks Department. The 5.44 acre school ground contains 2.55 acres of parkland, consisting of three climbing structures, five swing sets, two basketball half-courts, and multiple free standing structures. The fenced in playground is used by Rogers Elementary students during recess and by neighborhood children during off-hours.





Pattengill Park: Located on the north side of Berkley is the final school district owned and park district operated park. The 4.05 acre campus includes 2.31 acres of parkland, containing a number of amenities including a baseball field with backstop and bleachers, two basketball half-courts, a four square court, two climbing structures, two swing sets, benches and picnic tables, and several free-standing structures. Parking is provided both on-street and in the school parking lot. The park's proximity to the city border means that it is utilized by both Berkley residents and residents from the adjoining communities of Royal Oak and Beverly Hills during non-school hours. During school hours, the park is utilized by Pattengill Elementary students.

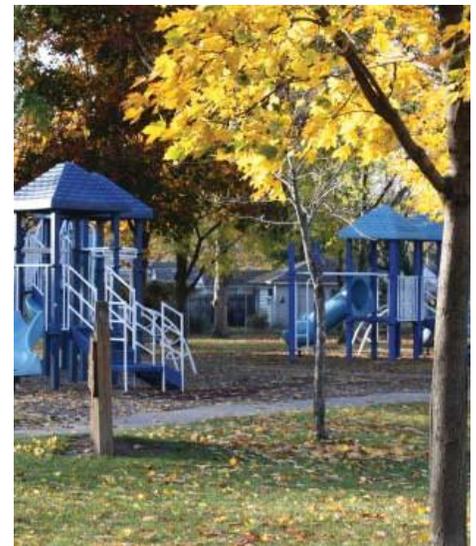
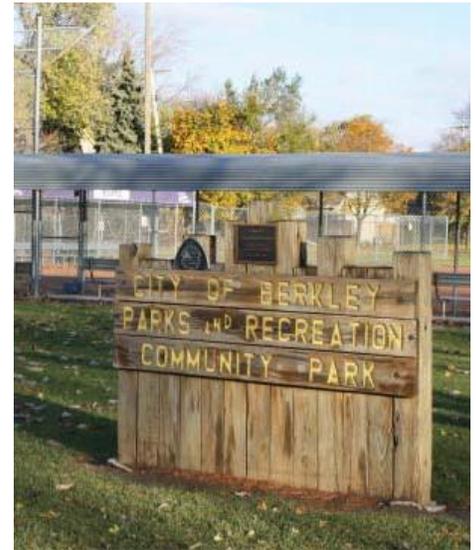




COMMUNITY PARKS

Community Park: Community Park is adjacent to Anderson Middle School, and is located in the south central part of Berkley. This 13.13-acre park contains the Community Center, Recreation Department offices, the Ice Arena, baseball fields, tennis courts, horseshoe pits, and play equipment. The school tennis teams use the tennis courts for practices and games.

These recreation amenities combine with the recreation facilities at the Middle School to create a central recreation hub for the community. The buildings on this property are accessible for wheelchair use. However, improvements to the restrooms need to be made. Almost all of the other amenities are accessible by wheelchair, as there is a concrete pathway system through the park, connecting the school, park, and sidewalks along all the adjacent roads. The tennis courts do not provide a barrier free entrance, and this needs to be added. The City is currently exploring options that will provide wheelchair access, but will also deter bicyclists from using the ramps.





Merchants Park / Oxford Property: This 7.5-acre park is located in the southwest corner of the City. This land was acquired from the Berkley Public Schools In the 2014-15 fiscal school year. Prior to acquisition, the school district sold approximately 1.7 acres of this park for residential development. The existing Oxford Center, which housed the Board of Education offices, was also demolished prior to the sale.

The majority of the park is made up of two baseball fields, a shared play area, and an open field that is used by the local football teams for practice. The open field is also used for soccer play during designated times throughout the year. Both baseball fields are adjacent to Bacon Avenue, which provides wheelchair access from the parking areas to sidewalks leading to the fields. The bleacher areas are not accessible and should incorporate concrete pads for wheelchair standing. Drinking fountains are also not accessible, and need adjacent concrete pads for wheelchairs.



The shared play area is not accessible, as the parking lot to the east (and therefore the accessible route) has been removed due to redevelopment of this area.





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Table 7: Berkley & Regional Park Facilities

		Neighborhood / Mini Park							Community Park		County Parks	
		Angell Park - 5.7 acres total area, 3.8 acres parkland	Jaycee Park - 2.7 acres	Kiwanis Tot Lot - 0.8 acres	Lazenby Field - 2.3 acres	Oxford Towers Park - 0.95 acres	Pattengill Playground - 4.1 ac total, 2.3 acres parkland	Rogers Park - 5.4 acres total, 2.55 acres parkland	Community Park - 17.69 incl. stadium, 13.1 acres parkland	Merchants Park - 7.6 acres	Catalpa Oaks Park - 24 acres	Red Oaks Park - 163 acres
Access	Parking Area	o	o	street	o	o	street	o	o	o	o	o
	Handicap Access	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Passive Use	Play Equipment	o	o	o			o	o	o	o	o	o
	Picnic Tables		o	o						o	o	o
	Pavilion		o					o	o		o	o
	Grills		o									
	Restrooms								P	P		o
Court / Turf Games	Baseball/Softball	o			o		o		o	o	o	
	Tennis Courts	o				o			o			
	Basketball Courts	o					o	o				
	Soccer Fields									o	o	o
	Football Field									o		
	Horseshoe Pits								o			
	Stadium /Track								o			
Misc	Community Center								o			
	Ice Arena								o			
	Splash Pad /Water Park											o
	Pool											o
	Dog Park											o
	Golf											o
	Nature Center											o

P = Portable toilets
street = On-street parking



SCHOOL FACILITIES

As previously discussed, the Berkley School District and the City of Berkley have joint operating agreements for several of the school properties. The playgrounds at Rogers, Pattengill, and Angell Elementary Schools operate as school playgrounds during school hours, and are used as park space the remainder of the time.

Additional athletic and cultural facilities are present at Anderson Middle School and Berkley High School. The football field and track at Anderson, and gymnasiums, classrooms, and auditoriums are available for rental to the public on a limited basis. The swimming pool at Berkley High School is not available for private use, although residents are encouraged to use the pool during open swim sessions monitored by the Community Education Department. All rentals are subject to custodial fees, and availability is prioritized based on school district policies.

ROSELAND MEMORIAL PARK CEMETERY

Roseland Park Cemetery, founded in 1906, is located in the northeast corner of the City, bounded by Webster St., Coolidge, Twelve Mile, and Woodward Avenue. It is 133 acres in size, and provides this part of Berkley with a large open space with a park-like setting. It is a sanctuary for a wide variety of birds and wildlife.

The cemetery has been mentioned as a location for a possible Veteran's Park. A proposed linear park would run along the western edge of the property, continuing to Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Residents have also expressed interest in providing new pedestrian access points along the western boundary.

PRIVATE RECREATION FACILITIES

A large number of private recreation facilities can also be found in Berkley and nearby communities. They include:

ARCHERY & SHOOTING RANGES

- o Rising Phoenix Archery (Troy)
- o Double Action Indoor Shooting Range (Madison Heights)

BOWLING

- o Hartfield Lanes Family Fun Center
- o Bowlero Lanes and Lounge (Royal Oak)

DANCE

- o Linda's Dance Works
- o Arthur Murray Dance Studio (Royal Oak)
- o Borgo Sisters School of Dance (Royal Oak)
- o La Shelle School of Dance (Oak Park)

FITNESS CENTER

- o Anytime Fitness
- o Bad Boy Boxing Gym, Inc.
- o RO Fitness
- o Fusion Fitness Studio
- o Fit Body Boot Camp
- o Curves
- o Get Some Fitness (Beverly Hills)
- o Planet Fitness(Southfield)

GOLF

- o Rackham Golf Course (Huntington Woods)
- o Evergreen Hills Golf Course (Southfield)
- o Royal Oak Golf Course (Royal Oak)

GYMNASTICS

- o Troy Gymnastics (Troy)

ICE SKATING / HOCKEY

- o John Lindell Ice Arena (Royal Oak)
- o Birmingham Ice Arena (Birmingham)

KARATE / MARTIAL ARTS

- o School of Martial Arts
- o Tactical Weapons Training Center (Southfield)
- o Shojin Judo (Southfield)
- o Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Club of Michigan (Southfield)
- o Southfield Martial Arts Institute (Southfield)
- o Detroit Kung Fu Academy of Southfield

SWIMMING

- o South Oakland Family YMCA (Royal Oak)
- o Bac Swim Club (Royal Oak)
- o SafeSplash Swim School (Royal Oak)
- o Villa Point Pool (Southfield)
- o Country Knoll Pool (Southfield)
- o Southfield Pool (Southfield)
- o Beverly Hills Athletic Club (Beverly Hills)

YOGA

- o House of Yoga
- o Shanti Yoga
- o Living Tradition Yoga (Royal Oak)
- o A Touch of Grace (Huntington Woods)
- o Detroit Yoga (Royal Oak)
- o Namaste Yoga (Royal Oak)
- o Citizen Yoga (Royal Oak)



RECREATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The City of Berkley offers outstanding youth and adult recreation programs, team and individual sports opportunities, and special events to City residents and non-residents. The following programs are offered by City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Department:

Youth Activities

- o Summer day camps
- o Summer horseback riding camp
- o Karate
- o Skateboard / roller blade camp
- o Vacation camps
- o Horse back riding lessons
- o Hunter safety
- o Snowmobile safety
- o Kindermusik
- o Parent-tot playgroup
- o Jump-A-Rama Gymnastics
- o NFL punt, pass, kick
- o Basketball camp
- o MLB Pitch, Hit, and Run
- o Junior golf lessons
- o Youth & teen dance (Preschool dance, introduction to dance, tap, ballet and hip hop jazz)
- o Babysitting / Home alone class
- o Kiddie soccer skills,
- o Indoor soccer
- o Sports starters
- o Tiny tumblers
- o Kiddie Tee Ball

Adult Activities

- o Golf
- o Pilates
- o Yoga
- o Zumba
- o Dog obedience – various levels
- o Adult/family karate
- o Hunter safety
- o Boater & ORV safety
- o Parent-tot playgroup
- o Oil painting
- o Food Coach classes
- o eBay

Senior Activities

- o Computer Classes (basic skills & internet)
- o Speaker socials
- o Senior outreach services
- o Home chore program
- o Loan closet (durable medical supplies)
- o Senior day at Detroit Zoo



Day Trips & Extended Travel

- o Dinner theatre
- o Detroit Tigers game
- o Shopping trips
- o Casino trips
- o "Do Lunch" trips
- o Shipshewana, Indiana
- o Frankenmuth, Michigan
- o Thunder Bay Resort, Michigan
- o Outer Banks, NC & New River Gorge, WV
- o New York Christmas Extravaganza
- o New England – Cape Cod, Boston & Upstate NY
- o Niagara Falls – Seneca Casino Resort

Ice Arena Programs

- o Berkley Bears High School Hockey Team
- o PK Warriors
- o Skating lessons
- o Hockey leagues
- o Open skating
- o Open hockey (adult)
- o Daddy/Daughter skate
- o Mother/Son skate

Special Community Events

- o Berkley Days
- o Art Bash
- o Berkley Craft Show
- o Berkley CruiseFest
- o Woodward Dream Cruise
- o Community garage sale
- o Great Berkley Campout
- o Bike Rodeo & Ride
- o Fire Open House
- o Spooky Skatacular
- o Holiday Lights Parade
- o Skating with Santa
- o Annual Ice Show
- o Halloween Spooktacular
- o Daddy/Daughter Dance
- o Berkley WinterFest
- o Summerfest
- o Outdoor Movies
- o Community Picnic
- o Mother/Son and Daddy/Daughter dances
- o Holiday Skating
- o Holiday Events





REGIONAL PARK FACILITIES

In addition to the local recreation facilities, there are over 180 acres of county recreational facilities within five miles of the City of Berkley. The state and county park systems, and the Huron Clinton Metropolitan Authority Metroparks also provide more than 41,000 acres of parks within 40 miles of the City. These facilities are considered regional recreational facilities. They are large facilities that provide opportunities such as golfing, water parks, camping, nature study & hiking, and other activities which are typically beyond the ability of a local municipality to provide. Figure 8 depicts the location of the nearby regional parks, and a detailed description of the nearby regional facilities located in adjacent Cities follows.

Figure 10: Oakland County Parks

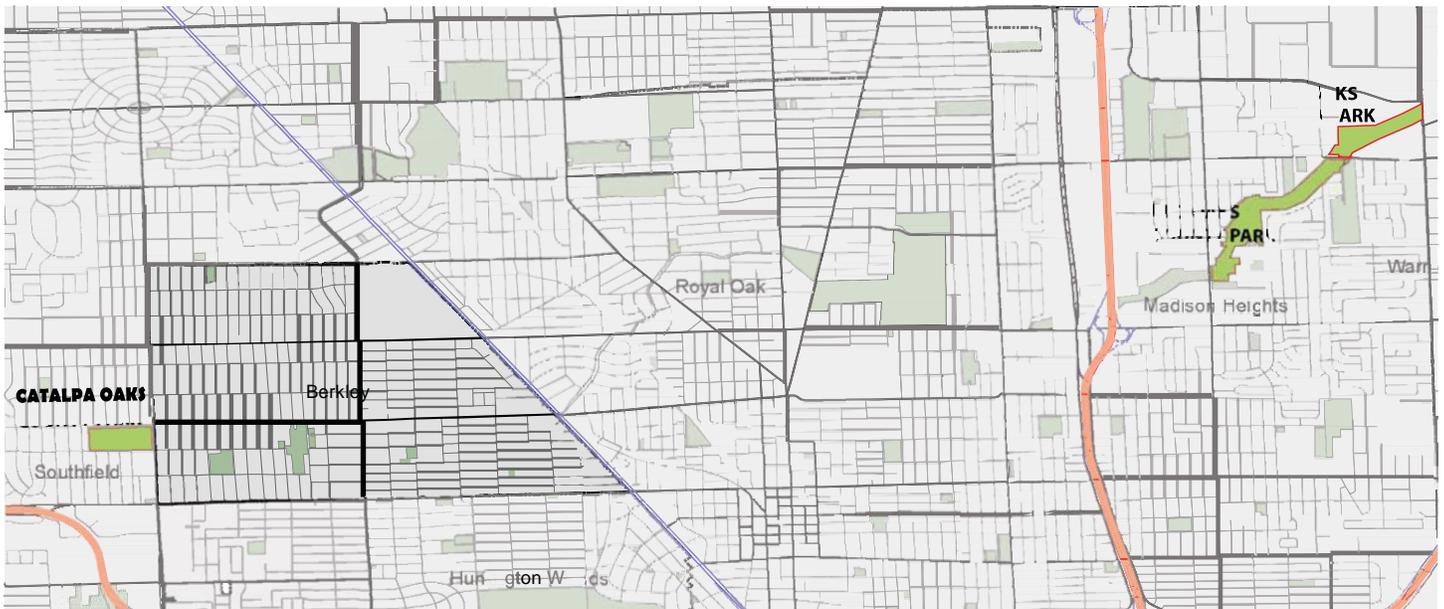
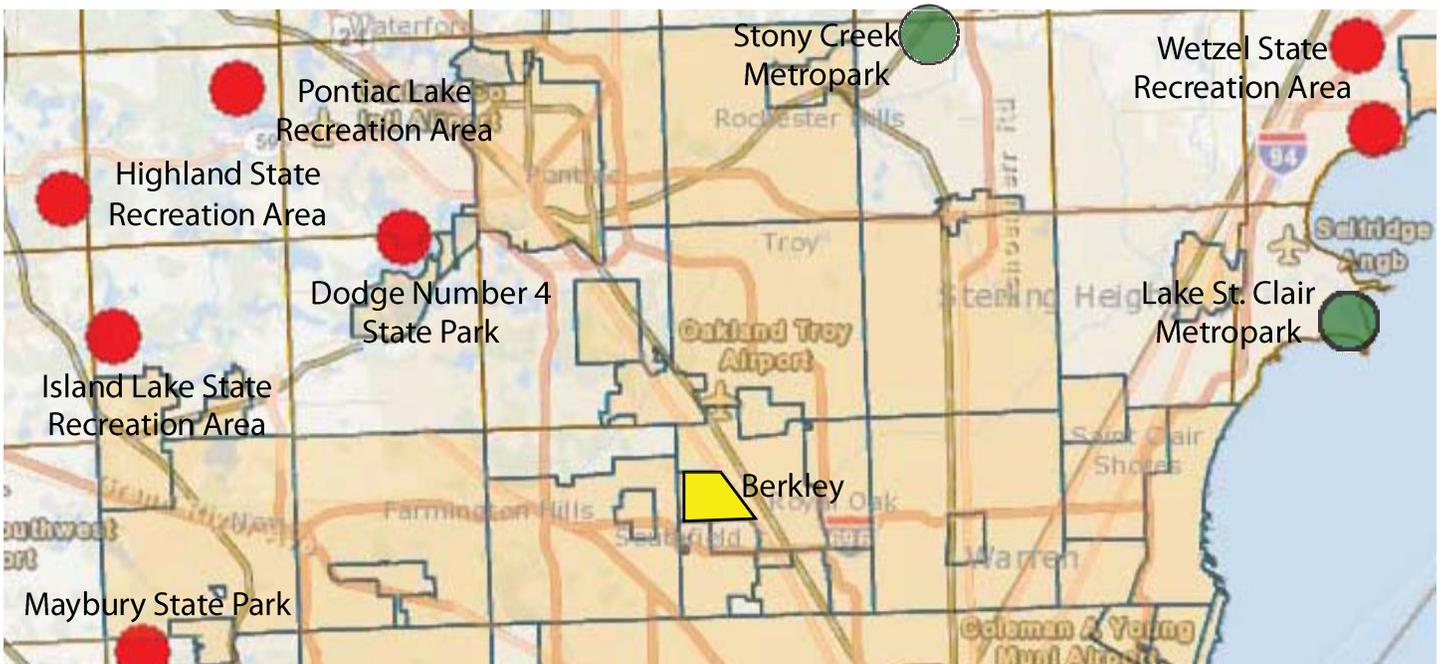


Figure 11: Regional Park Facilities





OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

CATALPA OAKS COUNTY PARK

Located just west of the City of Berkley in Southfield, Catalpa Oaks includes 25 acres of parkland. Activities and facilities include:

- o Six soccer fields
- o One fast pitch softball field, with backstop and bleachers
- o One high school baseball field, with backstop and bleachers
- o One picnic pavilion, available for rent
 - o Playground structures

RED OAKS COUNTY PARK

This County Park is programmed for active play. Located just five miles from Berkley in Madison Heights, the primary features of this 163-acre park include:

- o Water park, offering a wave-action pool, water slide, 990-foot long moving river ride, 68-feature children's water playground, and spray & play water play area for toddlers
- o Jerry Matthews-designed 9-hole executive golf course
- o Youth soccer complex, with soccer fields, concession building with restrooms, meeting space, and playground
- o 5.2-acre dog park, with three fenced enclosures and picnic shelter



HURON-CLINTON METROPARKS(HCMA)

The Huron-Clinton Metroparks system is a regional park system spanning Oakland, Wayne, Macomb, Washtenaw, and Livingston counties. The Metroparks include 13 parks covering 24,000 acres, with a wide variety of both active and passive uses and are especially noted for their extensive trail systems and golf courses. The Metroparks' extensive natural areas provide a respite from the highly urbanized character of southeast Michigan.

Berkley is positioned almost exactly in the center of the Metropark system. Berkley is within 20 to 25 miles of each of the parks, meaning residents can be at most of the Metroparks can be accessed with a short half hour drive.

MICHIGAN STATE PARKS

The State of Michigan maintains six state forests, four national parks and 97 state parks. Dodge Number 4 State Park, located roughly 12 miles northwest of the city, offers fishing, boating, and swimming activities. William G. Milliken State Park, located 14 miles southeast in Detroit, is Michigan's first urban state park. Larger naturalized areas are located within a short drive of the city; Highland State and Pontiac Lake Recreation Areas are 22 miles northwest of Berkley.





**Table 8:
Regional Park Facilities**

		State Recreation & Game Areas						HCMA		Oakland County Parks												
		Dodge No. 4 State Park - 139 acres	Highland State Rec. Area - 5903 ac	Island Lake State Rec Area - 4000 acres	Maybury State Park - 944 acres	Pontiac Lake Rec Area - 3745 acres	Wetzel State Recreation Area - 900 acres	Lake St. Clair Metropark - 770 acre	Stony Creek Metropark - 4461 acres	Addison Oaks - 1140 acres	Catalpa Oaks - 24 acres	Glen Oaks - 138 acres	Groveland Oaks - 362 acres	Highland Oaks - 302 acres	Independence Oaks - 1276 acres	Lyon Oaks - 1041 acres	Orion Oaks - 916 acres	Red Oaks - 163 acres	Rose Oaks- 640 acres	Springfield Oaks - 332 acres	Waterford Oaks - 185 acres	White Lake Oaks - 146 acres
Access	Parking Area	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Passive	Picnicking	o	o	o	o	o		o	o	o	o		o		o	o					o	
	Playground	o	o		o	o		o	o	o	o		o			o					o	
Trails	Paved/Stone Trail	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o			o		o	o		o				
	Nature/Hiking Trail		o	o	o	o	o		o	o			o	o	o	o	o	o			o	
	Mountain Bike Trail		o	o	o	o			o	o				o	o		o		o		o	
	Equestrian Trail		o		o					o				o					o			
	Fitness Trail																					
	X-country Skiing		o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					o	o	o		o			
	Snowmobiling		o	o			o															
Water Activities	Swimming Beach	o	o	o		o		o		o			o		o						o	
	Water/Splash Park							o					o					o			o	
	Boat Launch	o	o	o		o		o	o	o			o		o		o		o			
	Boat Rental							o	o	o			o		o							
	Canoeing	o	o	o				o	o	o			o	o	o		o		o			
	Fishing	o	o	o	o	o		o	o	o			o	o	o		o		o			
	Boardwalks/Decks							o	o	o			o				o					
Winter & Seasonal Activities	Ice Fishing							o	o	o					o							
	Ice Skating							o	o						o							
	Hunting		o	o		o				o												
Other Facilities	Historic Site										o									o	o	
	Nature Area		o	o		o				o					o							
Court & Turf Games	Ball/Play Fields							o		o					o							
	Soccer Fields							o		o								o				
	Court Games																				o	
	Disk Golf																					
	Golf Course							o	o			o				o		o		o		o
Misc.	Banquet Facility														o		o		o	o	o	
	Rec Center																					
	Dog Park														o	o	o					
Camping	Rustic Campsite		o	o	o	o			o						o							
	Modern Campsite		o	o	o	o			o				o		o							
	Cabin Rental		o	o	o	o			o				o									
	Group Camping		o	o	o	o			o				o		o							

COMPARISON TO RECREATION STANDARDS

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) has classified parks and recommended an appropriate amount of parkland for a given population size. Although these guidelines are useful in pointing out deficiencies, a community's recreation system should be tailored to meet the needs of the community and not be solely based on national guidelines.

According to the NRPA, parks and open spaces are categorized as mini-parks, neighborhood parks, community parks, regional parks, and preserves. The mini, neighborhood, and community parks are the close-to-home parks, designed to satisfy the recreational needs of local communities within a service radius of up to two miles. All of the City parks are considered close-to-home parks. According to NRPA standards, the amount of close-to-home parkland recommended is 6.25 to 10.5 acres for every 1,000 residents.

Regional parks are parks that serve a broader area (one hour drive or about a 40 mile radius) than community parks and focus on meeting the recreation needs of the region as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces. In City of Berkeley, they include the HCMA, state, and city-owned parks and recreation areas described in the preceding pages. The NRPA standard for regional parks is 15 to 20 acres of parkland per 1,000 people.

Other types of parks include the following:

- o Schoolyards: areas that can fulfill the space requirements for other classes of parks such as close-to-home parks, which include all public school facilities in the City;
- o Greenways: areas that link park system components together to form a continuous park environment, which include the City safety paths; and
- o Private Recreation Facilities: parks and recreation facilities that are privately owned yet contribute to the local parks and recreation system, which include the previously described private facilities.

Table 9: Suggested Parkland Acreage

Type of Park	NRPA Standard (Per 1000 pop.)	Required (Based on 14,970 pop)	Existing	Deficient
Close-to-home Parkland	6.25 - 10.5 acres	94-158 acres	48 acres	46 acres
Regional Parks	15 - 20 acres	225 - 300 ac.	27,527 ac.	-
Berkley Public Schools	-	-	39 acres	-
Open Space (Cemetery)	-	-	133 acres	-

According to these standards, Berkeley is deficient in terms of total close-to-home parkland. Given the built-out nature of the City, acquiring significant parkland will be challenging. While the City is encouraged to continue searching for new park opportunities, it is important to note that other recreation facilities, including private facilities and facilities in neighboring communities, help to meet the needs of residents. In addition, the City of Berkeley residents are well-served by regional park facilities.



PARK FACILITY COMPARISON

Table 9 is a comparison of the City's park facilities against NRPA's park facility standards. The City is only deficient in a few active recreational facilities, including court games such as badminton, volleyball, and multi-use courts. Regional trails, while being addressed by the County, is another area that could be improved upon.

Table 10: Comparison to Facility Development Standards

Type of Facility	NRPA Standard (unit/pop.)	Required (Based on 14,970 pop)	Existing			Deficient
			City	School	Private	
Badminton	1/5,000	3				Yes
Basketball	1/5,000	3	2	4		No
Handball	1/20,000	0				No
Ice Hockey	1/100,000	0	1 indoor			No
Tennis	1/2,000	8	10			No
Volleyball	1/5,000	3				Yes
Baseball/Softball	1/5,000	3	7	1		No
Field Hockey	1/20,000	0				No
Football	1/20,000	0		1		No
Soccer	1/10,000	2	2	2		No
Golf-driving range	1/50,000	0				No
1/4 mile track	1/20,000	0		1		No
Multi-use court	1/10,000	2				Yes
Trails	1/region	1				Yes
Archery Range	1/50,000	0				No
Skeet/Trapfield	1/50,000	0				No
Golf	1/50,000	0				No
Swimming pool	1/20,000	0		1		No

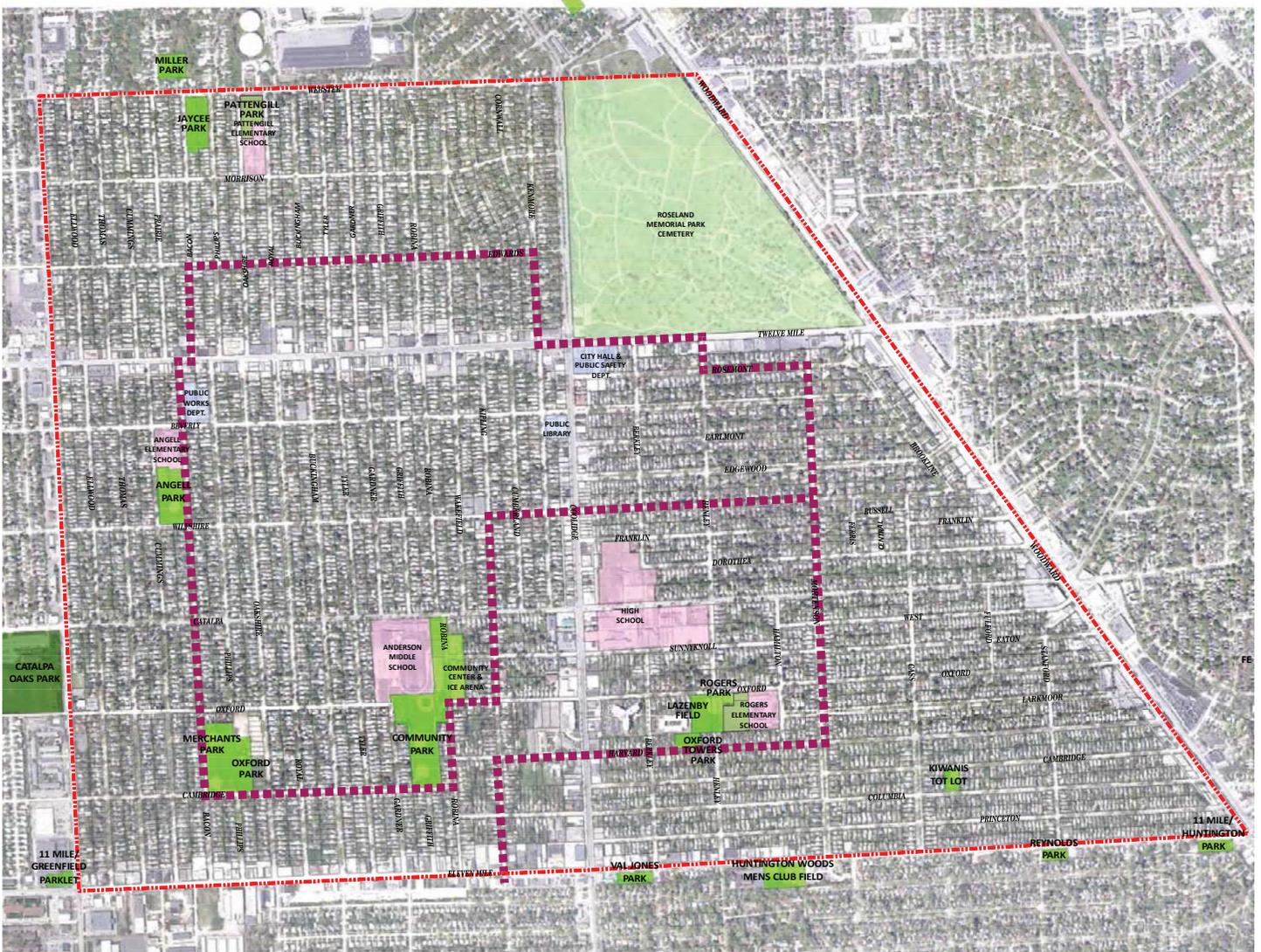
The City parks do not include any volleyball, badminton, or multi-use courts. Given the small area required for these court games, they may be easily added to existing parks. Multi-use courts in particular could be used to meet the demand for a variety of court sports and other activities.

NON-MOTORIZED TRAIL SYSTEM

Given the urban character of the City and the surrounding area, existing trails or pathways are in the form of sidewalks. The City has some roadways designated as bicycle routes, but does not have nature trails or dedicated bicycle lanes. The current suggested bicycle route configuration does not connect outside of the city limits, and is not marked with signage or any kind of road marking.

Improving the City's trails system is a priority of this plan, and the City's efforts should be coordinated with the County to help develop trails which connect with other communities and along the Woodward corridor. A proposal for a linear park along the western edge of Roseland Cemetery, and adding connection points to the cemetery for pedestrian users, are two opportunities which should be explored. Clearly marking the existing network should also be a priority. Lastly, considering the importance of the City's sidewalk system as part of the trail network, continued maintenance of existing sidewalks should be a priority.

Figure 12: Existing Bike Trail Network





ACCESSIBILITY ASSESSMENT

A critical component in planning for recreation facilities is providing barrier-free access in order to accommodate the needs of all people, including those with disabilities. The ranking system suggested by the MDNR Guidelines (2009) was used to evaluate the parks. The ranking system ranges from 1 to 5 and is described as follows:

1. None of the facilities meet accessibility guidelines;
2. Some of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines;
3. Most of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines;
4. The entire park meets accessibility guidelines; and
5. The entire park was developed/renovated using the principles of universal design.

Each of the parks was evaluated using this ranking system. The specific elements reviewed included parking, paths of travel from parking to activity areas, activity areas themselves, and surfacing. Table 10 provides the result of this assessment.

Table 11: Accessibility Assessment

Park	Rank	Description
Angell Park	2	Accessible parking and routes provided to playground facilities. Some playground facilities are also accessible. However, no accessible routes to ball field or basketball court.
Community Park	3	Accessible parking and pathways to activity areas. Buildings are accessible, and play structure is accessible.
Jaycee Park	3	Accessible parking and accessible route from parking area to picnic shelter. Accessible route to activity area, and most play structures are accessible.
Kiwanis Tot Lot	2	Wood chip surfaces around play equipment and picnic facilities. Lacks matting or other surface to make playground equipment accessible.
Lazenby / Oxford Towers / Rogers Park	2	Accessible parking at Lazenby Field; however, no accessible route to bleachers. Accessible route to activity areas at Oxford Park; however, no accessible parking. Accessible parking and accessible route to most play structures at Rogers Park.
Merchants Park	2	Accessible parking and pathways to ball fields. However, no accessible route to play area, bleachers or drinking fountains. Some play area features are accessible.
Pattengill Playgroun	3	Accessible parking and pathways to play structures. No accessible route to bleachers or ballfield.

The City has been diligent in bringing their recreation facilities into compliance. Current and future park projects are designed to meet or exceed accessibility guidelines and standards of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). Current deficiencies regarding accessibility are mainly the result of older equipment or facilities which pre-date ADA standards.

It is the intent of City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Department to retrofit these facilities during park upgrade and renovation projects.

MDNR GRANTS

The City of Berkley has received seven Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) grants for parkland development since 1973. Table 11 presents a description of the MDNR grants received including the current use and condition of the grant-assisted parks and facilities.

Table 12: MDNR Grant History

Grant Number	Application Year & Source	Description	Grant Amount	Current Use /Condition
26-00418	1973 LWCF	Merchants Park: Lighting for an existing ball diamond	\$14,500	The ball fields are in good condition. The lights were replaced in 2009.
26-00890	1977 LWCF	Community Park: Development of six tennis courts.	\$27,500	The tennis courts were reconstructed in 1999 and are in excellent condition.
26-01023 K	1977 LWCF	Lazenby Field: Lighting for existing ball field, and installation of two lit tennis courts.	\$18,500	The ball field is in good condition. The lighting for the ball field was renovated in 2009. The tennis courts are in excellent condition.
26-01324	1984 LWCF	Angell Park: Installation of two tennis courts.	\$20,500	The tennis courts were restored in 2011 and are in excellent condition.
BF90-174	1990 RBF	Community Park: Construction of an addition to the Senior Center Annex (including meeting area, office space and storage area)	\$70,000	The condition of the addition is in fair to poor condition. A crack in one wall is slated for repair in 2016.
26-01493	1992 LWCF	Jaycee Park: Playground equipment and pathway. Kiwanis Tot Lot: Playground equipment. Community Park: Playground equipment and pathway	\$60,000	The playground equipment was replaced in 1994, and the current equipment is in good condition. The pathways are in good condition.
CM99-069	1999 MNRTF	Community Park: Tennis court reconstruction and fence removal & replacement	\$99,000	Tennis courts and fence are in good condition.

LCWF: Land and Water Conservation Fund

MNRTF: Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund

RBF: Recreation Bond Fund



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & NEEDS ASSESSMENT

An essential task in the recreation planning process is to determine the needs of the community as a basis for an action plan to improve the parks and recreation system. Needs provide rationale for goals and objectives and identify areas for capital improvements. To assess needs, consideration was given to current recreation trends, a survey of residents, and an input session with community stakeholders including public officials, staff and residents. The suggestions received focused on identifying priorities for park development in the future.

NATIONAL RECREATION TRENDS

Recreation trends on a national level provide insight into activities that show the greatest growth in popularity and may affect the future direction of parks and recreation. According to the 2013 Sports and Fitness Industry Association Survey, overall participation in sports remained steady; Fitness and outdoor sports had the highest participation rates across age groups with median scores of 62.95 and 56.45 percent. Michigan is comparatively active with 33.4 - 35.4 percent of its population individuals shown to be active to a healthy level. According to the National Sporting Goods Association, Michigan residents are more than twice as likely as the average American to participate in water skiing, in-line roller skating, snowboarding, play softball, or hunt with a bow and arrow.

Table 13: National Sports Participation, 2013

Activity	Participation (in thousands)	5 year growth rate
Walking for fitness	114,029	1.0%
Running/jogging	51,450	4.7%
Treadmill	50,839	0.3%
Bowling	48,614	-4.1%
Free weights (hand weights)	46,564	1.2%
Bicycling (road)	39,790	0.1%
Fishing (freshwater)	39,002	-2.3%
Weight/resistance machines	38,999	-0.1%
Free weights (dumbbells)	36,604	2.5%
Stretching	35,873	-0.1%

Source: 2013 Sports, Fitness and Leisure Activities Topline Participation Report



These national trends are consistent with trends in Michigan. According to a survey of Michigan residents conducted in 2007 as part of the 2008-2012 Michigan Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, more than half the respondents participated in one or more of the following: walking outdoors, relaxing outdoors, driving for pleasure, swimming in a lake, river, or pond, sightseeing, picnicking, bicycling on a road or sidewalk, and fishing.

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) and the American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration have published a list of future trends compiled from different sources that will influence the direction of recreation planning and programming. These trends include:

- o An increase in environmentally sensitive lifestyles, natural areas management, and water quality protection.
- o An increase in concerns for personal and family security, in the importance for wellness activities, and a desire to preserve and maintain cultural heritage.
- o An increase in public costs, in the provision of leisure services through the public and private sectors and partnerships, a greater recognition of the economic value of parks, open space, and green infrastructure.
- o An increase of senior citizens, fewer traditional family households, greater number of smaller households, and an increase in cultural diversity and mobility of residents.

Monitoring parks and recreation trends is important in determining how parks and recreation services should evolve. The implication of the trends noted above along with the demographic and physical characteristics of the City of Berkley can be summarized as follows:

- o Recreation facilities and programs should respond to the expected increase of seniors.
- o There is a need for more linear parks along corridors to accommodate bicycle and pedestrian pathways for recreation and non-motorized transportation.
- o With the increased popularity of exercise walking and fitness related activities, there will continue to be an increased importance on recreation contributing to walkable and sustainable communities.
- o The continued collaboration and partnerships between public, private, and non-profit agencies will be necessary to maximize the delivery of parks and recreation services in the future.

RESIDENT SURVEY

A community attitude and interest survey was conducted in the fall of 2015 to gauge interest in the Berkley parks system and help establish priorities for the future improvement of parks and recreation facilities, programs and services within the community. The survey was developed in consultation with the staff of the Parks and Recreation Department and City officials, tailoring the survey to issues of strategic importance to effectively plan the future.

The survey was advertised on the City's website and social media platforms, in the Oakland Press, and via flyers posted at the recreation center, city hall, and library.

SURVEY RESULTS

Use of City Parks and Facilities: Most of the residents completing the survey used the playgrounds (76%) or used the parks for walking and hiking (71%). A significant portion of the respondents took advantage of the sports fields (44%). Nearly 53% of respondents indicated they utilized a splash pad in a neighboring community.

Frequency of Use: A significant percentage of respondents visited Berkley parks on a frequent basis. 47% of residents used park facilities one to three times per week. Angell Park and the Community Center had the highest level of usage with 47% of respondents indicating they used the park six times or more per year. While overall usage is healthy, 53% of respondents indicated that they utilize Berkley parks less than five times per year. 90% of respondents stated that they utilized Oxford Towers Park less than five times per year.

Meeting the Needs of the Community: 59% of respondents indicated that the existing park facilities adequately met the needs of their family. Respondents generally agreed that the parks department provided a welcoming environment, with helpful, knowledgeable staff, and offered adequate hours of operation. Respondents felt the department fell short in providing recreation opportunities for low income families, special needs individuals, and teenagers.

Overall Satisfaction: Residents are generally satisfied with the performance of the Parks and Recreation department, although they clearly see room for improvement. Overall, park facilities scored 2.2 (with 1 being completely satisfied and 4 completely dissatisfied). Pattengill Playground and the Kiwanis Tot Lot had the highest ratings (1.96 and 1.99), while Angell Park and Merchants Park had the lowest (2.71 and 2.34).

Future Facility Development: The state of the playground structure at Angell Park influenced the results of a number of questions. The top need for Berkley parks according to respondents is new playground structures; written comments overwhelmingly mentioned Angell Park when discussing this topic. Walking and biking paths were next on the list. Swimming facilities and splash pads, both indoor and outdoor, were also highly desired. Lastly, dog parks were frequently mentioned both on the survey and in the public participation meeting.



Programming Needs: Respondents indicated a strong desire for youth and adult fitness and wellness programming. Senior activities and programs also scored well with respondents. Trip programs for seniors and families, on the other hand, were not viewed favorably. Overall, 68% of respondents felt that programming fees were appropriate; 27% stated that they did not know if the fees were appropriate, which may indicate a lack of general knowledge regarding programs offered through the city.

Hot topic issues: Two issues dominated the survey results. The first issue, the play structure at Angell Park, was resolved on November 12, 2015, when City and School District officials announced plans to replace the structure in the spring of 2016. No comments regarding play structures were received after that announcement.

The second issue revolves around the perceived application of fertilizer and pesticides on school and park grounds. City officials have noted that the program is under review, but as of the writing of this Master Plan, no decision has made to discontinue or continue the program.

STAFF, PUBLIC OFFICIAL, AND COMMUNITY INPUT

A community input meeting was held on November 12, 2015 in the Berkley Community Center multipurpose room. The meeting, which was advertised in the Oakland Press, on the City website and social media platforms, and via flyers at the library, City Hall, and Community Center, provided an opportunity for residents to express their opinions on the state of the parks system and offer suggestions for improvement.

The multipurpose room was arranged into five stations, each addressing a separate issue. Stations covered specific parks, new facility opportunities, non-motorized trail facilities, and recreation programming. Facilitators at each station were instructed to ask general, leading questions to get the conversation started, but otherwise did not influence the direction of the discussion in any way.

Responses were open ended; while participants were asked to focus on the topic of the station, they were also encouraged to freely discuss any item they felt was relevant. Facilitators were asked to write down every topic that came up during the discussions on a large note pad. At the end of the night, the facilitators gave their general impressions of the discussions held at their stations. The comment notes from earlier in the evening were posted on the walls of the community center; participants were given dots which they used to “vote” for their favorite discussion points. While the comments were sometimes cryptic, the vast majority covered a finite set of issues that are detailed on the following pages. A complete listing of comments are included in the appendix.

Programming: While no single program dominated the discussion, programming overall was the most discussed issue of the evening. After-school programming and programs for teens and tweens were highly desired. The timing and variety of programs was an issue discussed by multiple participants. Special events were popular with participants; from Summer and Winterfests to a “Food Truck Rally” proposed for the Community Center, participants had a variety of ideas for new continuing and one time events.

Community Center Upgrade: While the participants clearly valued the Community Center and the purpose it serves in the city, they were equally as clear that the center had served its useful life and needed to be upgraded or replaced. Comments such as “outdated” and “crowded” were frequently mentioned. Amenities such as fitness equipment and a swimming pool were the most desired features for a new center.

Bathrooms: The highest voted single issue was the introduction of bathrooms in the parks. Participants expressed a clear desire to see permanent bathroom facilities at a number of parks, particularly at Jaycee Park and the Kiwanis Tot Lot. A combined bathroom/concession stand was suggested for Merchants Park and Lazenby Field.

Pool / Splash Pad: Splash pads were especially popular with younger families, both at the input meeting and on the community survey. A number of individuals indicated that they travel to nearby communities to utilize their splash parks in the summer. As for pools, while Berkley High School does have an indoor pool, participants found the hours restrictive and indicated a strong desire for an outdoor facility that could be developed in conjunction with a splash pad.

Benches: Benches were proposed for nearly every park, especially for the parks frequented by families with young children.

ADA Accessibility: Several participants indicated a desire to see more focus on facilities for special needs individuals. While the commenters were primarily interested in seeing universally accessible swings and playground equipment, it will be important that the city consider all aspects of accessibility, including such varied items as accessible pathways, drinking fountains, picnic facilities, and bleachers.

Trash/Recycling Bins and General Maintenance: Participants noted a need for trash and recycling bins at all of the park facilities on a year round basis. Maintenance needs were more varied, and ranged from fixing the ice arena roof to providing dog litter bags at key locations. A number of specific projects were mentioned and, taken together, may indicate the need to expand maintenance staffing levels.

Picnic Pavilions: The picnic pavilion and Jaycee Park are clearly loved, although participants indicated that a bathroom facility with potable water would make the pavilion even more attractive. Pavilions were proposed for a number of other parks, including Merchants and Community parks and the Kiwanis Tot Lot, and a second pavilion for Jaycee Park.



Dog Park: One facilitator summarized the discussion at his table as, “Dog park, dog park, dog park!” While the topic was popular, it was ranked relatively low in terms of mentions and votes at the meeting, and had only one mention on the survey.

Bike Paths and Amenities: The need for clearly marked bike paths and additional bike racks in city parks was mentioned fairly frequently. Connection to regional trails and adjacent communities was also discussed.

Landscaping/Shade Trees: Additional shade trees, especially in conjunction with new seating, was requested for several parks including Merchants, Pattengill, Rogers, and Community Parks.

Lighting: Although not highly ranked by participants, several members of the Parks staff and city commissioners and planners noted the need for improved lighting at park facilities. One participant noted that the Berkley field hockey team was only able to “play until dark”, which meant that games were often ended early in the fall. In addition to usability, concerns about park safety were of prime importance to city officials, elevating this issue to near the top of their wish list.

Other Priorities: Several other discussion points received votes or were mentioned numerous times, including:

- o Additional soccer fields
- o Skate park
- o Basketball court upgrades, maintenance, or additions
- o Drinking fountains
- o Improved drainage (especially Merchants Park)
- o Increased winter activities at parks (outdoor skating rinks, sled hills)

New Park Opportunities: Four new park opportunities were discussed as part of the input meeting.

- o **Robina and 12 Mile Road:** This recommendation closes Robina Avenue at 12 Mile Road to create a new park and gathering space. The proposal notes that Robina could be closed at either one or both sides of 12 Mile. If both sides were closed, it would present an opportunity to create an event space or plaza in that zone which could be used for special events. Participants expressed enthusiasm over the idea of this park concept, although feelings were mixed as to whether to close one or both sides of Robina. Participants were concerned about safety issues unless significant steps were taken to calm the heavily trafficked 12 Mile Road.
- o **Veterans Park at Roseland Cemetery:** This proposal would take a small portion of the southwest corner of Roseland Cemetery and turn it into a Veterans park. Participants called the proposal, “an interesting idea” and, while it was not as widely discussed as the Robina park, it proved generally popular.

- o ***Linear Park at Roseland Cemetery:*** A proposed linear park would run along the western edge of Roseland Cemetery, ultimately connecting with Beaumont Hospital in nearby Royal Oak. The proposal would require interaction and cooperation with the city of Royal Oak and the Oakland County Road Commission. The concept was universally applauded by participants at the input meeting.
- o ***Edgewood Park at Woodward Avenue:*** Similar to the Robina proposal, this park would close Edgewood Boulevard at Woodward Avenue. While participants did not seem to have any negative comments about the proposal, there were no clearly positive remarks, either.

PUBLIC REVIEW & PUBLIC HEARING

After the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board considered the input received through the survey and reviewed the recreation trends, deficiencies, and other background information, they established the master plan goals and an action program for implementation. This was done at their regular public meeting on December 10, 2015. The meeting was advertised on the City website, social media platforms, in the Oakland Press, and via flyers at the Community Center, City Hall, and library.

A draft plan was then prepared which was made available for public review beginning on December 14, 2015. Copies were placed at the City Hall and at the Community Center, and made available electronically on the City's website. The plan's availability for public review was posted December 14, 2015 (Appendix C). The public input into the plan culminated in an advertised public hearing held on January 13, 2016 (Appendix E). The City Council adopted the plan on January 24, 2016.



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GOALS & OBJECTIVES

The City of Berkeley Recreation Master Plan has formulated goals for the next five years. They are broad enough to encompass the needs expressed from the public, from City officials, staff, Advisory Board, and the observed deficiencies in the recreation resources of the area. They also consider demographics, current and anticipated growth and development, the area's physical resources, and recreation trends.

GOALS FOR EXISTING PARKS (EP)

GOALS

Provide the highest quality recreation experience for Berkeley residents at the City's nine existing park and recreation facilities through continued maintenance and by responding to changing park conditions.

OBJECTIVES

- o EP1. Reconfigure recreation facilities at Merchant's Park to respond to changes in the park boundary. Possible changes include making play equipment more accessible, and adding new facilities, such as a dog park.
- o EP2. Improve the Community Center facility using outside funding sources and grants to the greatest extent possible. Improvements will create a central gathering and activity space for the community and better serve the Berkeley residents. Safety improvements, such as a new fire suppression system and improved lighting, will also better protect the safety of building users.
- o EP3. Make improvements to the City Ice Arena, such as adding a fire suppression system, fixing roof structural problems, and renovating the building into an all-season building.
- o EP4. Continue to maintain parks and facilities in good working order to ensure the safety and enjoyment of users.
- o EP5. Develop a plan to update equipment at existing parks as equipment reaches the end of useful life.
- o EP6. Develop a plan to incorporate new capital intensive amenities such as splash pads, permanent bathroom facilities, dog parks, and the like into existing park facilities.



GOALS FOR FUTURE PARKS (FP)

GOALS

Seek and identify new recreation facilities which will provide recreation opportunities, will preserve or provide new open public gathering spaces, and will enhance the physical, mental, and spiritual well being of Berkley residents and the community as a whole.

OBJECTIVES

- o FP1. Add a mini-park within the current right-of-way at the terminus of Edgewood, where it meets Woodward Avenue.
- o FP2. Add walking/bicycling paths along Coolidge, north of Twelve Mile, to provide a recreation opportunity to residents and create a connection from Beaumont Hospital to Downtown Berkley.
- o PF3. Develop a comprehensive non-motorized trail plan with connections to regional systems and neighboring communities.
- o FP4. Add a mini park within the current right-of-way at the terminus of Robina and Twelve Mile Road; investigate options for parks on the north side, south side, or both sides of Twelve Mile, and development opportunities for a community special events plaza at the juncture.
- o FP5. Work with cemetery representatives to add a 1.5-acre Veteran's Park in the southwest corner of Roseland Park Cemetery (or the northeast corner of Coolidge / Twelve Mile intersection) to honor the area's war veterans.

GOALS FOR PROGRAMS (P)

GOALS

Seek and identify new recreation programming which will provide the highest quality recreation experiences and will enhance the physical, mental, and emotional well being of Berkley residents.

OBJECTIVES

- o P1. Improve partnerships with other recreation providers to give residents access to cost effective programs
- o P2. Continue to be flexible in program offerings to respond to the changing needs of residents.
- o P3. Increase program offerings to attract new residents to the Community Center.
- o P4. Investigate opportunities to utilize outdoor spaces for more program offerings.

GOALS FOR ADMINISTRATION (A)

GOALS

Identify and enact policies which will enable the construction of a highly competent, professional, and responsive staff who will best be able to meet and respond to the needs of Berkley residents.

OBJECTIVES

- A1. Review current staffing organization for the Ice Arena, Community Center, and parks system as a whole to determine the staffing levels required for operation of the facilities.
- A2. Where necessary, increase the number of staff to support the recreation facilities and programs of the City.
- A3. Increase training and education to improve staff qualifications and ensure the highest level of competency for all employees

GOALS FOR FUNDING (F)

GOALS

Seek, identify, and manage financial resources to allow continued operation of the parks system and enable expansion of existing facilities and programs while continuing to operate in a fiscally responsible manner.

OBJECTIVES

- F1. Pursue grants and other sources of funding to sustain the City's parks and recreation facilities and programs.
- F2. Pursue a dedicated Parks millage to allow continued operation of Parks facilities and programs independently of general fund resources.
- F3. Pursue bonds and other sources of funding to allow construction of new community center complex.
- F4. Recruit volunteers to attend grant writing workshops and assist in grant writing and obtaining grants.
- F5. Continue to run the Parks and Recreation Department in a fiscally responsible manner.
- F6. Strive to obtain outside funding, and establish and/or increase partnerships with other recreation providers.



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ACTION PROGRAM

The action program details the manner in which the goals and objectives will be met. It includes a list of specific projects, as well as a schedule with suggested capital improvement projects along with a sequence and strategies for implementation.

ACTION PLAN

The following outline lists specific actions and projects which are recommended to be accomplished during the planning period. Plans showing the parks improvements are also included to illustrate the proposed projects.

1. MAINTAIN AND UPGRADE EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

This action includes replacing aging equipment which is in a state of disrepair, outdated, or dangerous as well as improving the appearance of the parks, properties, and buildings through appropriate landscaping and maintenance. All upgrades must be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and efforts should be taken to remove all existing barriers to universal access. Proposed projects include:

- **COMMUNITY CENTER:**
 - Continue resurfacing of parking lot
 - Redesign/renovate bathrooms for accessibility and ADA compliance
 - Address roofing and HVAC maintenance needs
 - Complete analysis to determine feasibility of replacing existing Community Center with new facility versus cost to upgrade existing structure. New facility may include fitness center, outdoor swimming/leisure pool, and indoor running/walking track.
 - Add fire suppression system to Community Center building
- **ICE ARENA**
 - Replace/upgrade ice cooling system.
 - Add fire suppression system to Arena building
 - Address concrete heaving issues at Zamboni doors and main ice rink
 - Remove and sell small refrigeration unit on mezzanine
 - Clean and paint beams over main ice rink
 - Seal vents on east side of building
 - Redesign/renovate bathrooms and locker rooms for accessibility and ADA compliance
 - Address roofing and HVAC maintenance needs (fix roofleaks, holes in wall and roofline, repair gutters & downspouts)



o **PARKS**

- o Address grading, turf condition, drainage and accessibility at all City parks
- o Replace lights at Community Park baseball fields #2 and #3
- o Add lighting to Merchants Park field #1
- o Upgrade playground equipment at all city parks
- o Install restrooms and shelter/pavilion buildings, with associated amenities (picnic tables, drinking fountains, etc.)
- o Plant shade trees
- o Re-configure Merchant's Park to incorporate new multi-use (football/soccer) fields, walking paths, storage facility, picnic facilities and associated amenities, and expanded parking

JUSTIFICATION: These actions respond to park maintenance and facility needs, residents' opinions, and planning fair input. They also respond to future parks and recreation trends, in particular environmental, social, economic, and demographic trends.

2. **DEVELOP FUTURE PARKLAND**

Work with the Berkeley City Council and Planning Commission to develop existing properties into parklands which allow a variety of active and passive recreation opportunities. Specific opportunities include:

- o Develop a park at the terminus of Edgewood Boulevard and Woodward Avenue.
- o In cooperation with the city of Royal Oak, develop a linear park along the Coolidge corridor starting at Roseland Memorial Park Cemetery and continuing to Beaumont Hospital.
- o In cooperation with the Oakland County Road Commission, investigate opportunities to develop pocket parks at the intersection of Robina Avenue and Twelve Mile Road.
- o Develop a Veteran's memorial park in Roseland Memorial Park Cemetery. This proposal is envisioned for 1.5 acres of land in the southwest corner of the cemetery.
- o Work with the City Council and the Planning Commission to ensure parkland needs are considered in the review of new developments and to encourage or develop regulations for developers to set aside land for park facilities.

JUSTIFICATION: These actions were identified in the Berkeley Comprehensive Master Plan, through the comparison with NRPA national standards, in the community survey (neighborhood parks) and in the public input workshop.

3. DEVELOP A CONTINUOUS PATHWAY/TRAIL SYSTEM

There is a strong need for more trails and walking paths in the City. Priority should be placed on the development of trails connecting the parks to form a continuous park system tying community facilities, schools, neighborhoods, downtown Berkeley, and regional recreation facilities together. This includes:

- Development of a community-wide pathway plan, using existing sidewalks and roadways;
- Work with regional trail planners and the County to connect the City's trails/pathways to a regional system along Woodward Avenue;
- Install site amenities including bike racks, benches, trash receptacle, mile markers, and signs along the trails and at destination points; and
- Establish a marketing strategy for the trail system to attract support and sponsors including the development of a trail brochure and a walking club.

JUSTIFICATION: These actions respond to park maintenance and facility needs, residents' opinions, and planning fair input. They also respond to future parks and recreation trends, in particular environmental, social, economic, and demographic trends.

4. MAINTAIN AND DEVELOP NEW PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- Facilitate and promote the shared-use of the area's parks and recreation facilities including the school district, Oakland County, and private recreation providers as well as city facilities by community groups.
- Work with Oakland County to investigate new recreation opportunities for Catalpa Oaks Park, including possible new dog park facility.

JUSTIFICATION: These actions respond to park maintenance and facility needs, residents' opinions, and planning fair input. They also respond to future parks and recreation trends, in particular environmental, social, economic, and demographic trends.



5. ADMINISTRATION AND FUNDING

- The Department must seek and consider a variety of income sources to allow development of a new community center or renovation of the existing facility, including grants, bonds, millages, donations, and public/private partnerships.
- A means of generating operational costs and increasing revenues where possible must become a priority to support the capital improvement projects mentioned above and to maintain the existing and future park facilities to a high quality standard.
 - Investigate feasibility of seeking dedicated Parks millage to ensure continued financial stability for the Department
 - Pursuit of grants and sponsorships must be done consistently and aggressively
 - Consider grant writing workshops and training to improve awareness of funding opportunities
- Be open to opportunities presented by joint public / private funding efforts
- The Parks and Recreation Department and Advisory Board must advocate and promote the social, economic, and environmental value and benefits of parks and recreation by reaching out to the community and the region.

JUSTIFICATION: These actions respond to park maintenance and facility needs, residents' opinions, and planning fair input. They also respond to future parks and recreation trends, in particular environmental, social, economic, and demographic trends.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Table 12 lists individual projects along with the specific task to be accomplished, the project objective reference, a cost estimate, and potential funding sources. In addition, the projects are listed in a sequential order and a time frame for completion has been assigned. Short-term projects are recommended for completion within one to two years, mid-term within three to four years, and long-term projects within five to six years.

Table 14: Capital Improvement Schedule

PROJECT	OBJECTIVE	COST ESTIMATE	FUNDING SOURCE	TIME FRAME
Existing park maintenance / upgrades	<p>Reconfigure recreation facilities at Merchant’s Park to respond to changes in the park boundary. Possible changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o multi-use sports fields (football/soccer), o new walking trails, o new storage facility o universally accessible play equipment, o picnic pavilion o permanent restroom / concession stand o adding new splash pad o additional/reconfigured parking o benches, drinking fountains, and similar amenities o lighting for field #1 	\$800 - \$1,050,000	grants, donations, CDBG funds, general fund, rec revolving fund	MT
	<p>Perform the following maintenance / upgrades at the Community Center:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o improve lighting o resurface parking lots o renovate bathrooms for ADA compliance o add new storage facility 	\$100,000	grants, donations, general fund, rec revolving fund	ST - MT
	<p>Perform the following maintenance / upgrades at the Community Center and Ice Arena:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o new fire suppression system; o improve lighting o resurface parking lots o renovate bathrooms for ADA compliance o address roofing and HVAC needs o replace / upgrade ice coolant system o renovate the building into an all-season building. 	\$500 - \$750,000	grants, donations, general fund, Arena Enterprise Fund	ST - MT
	Upgrade lighting at Community Park fields #2 and 3	TBD	grants, donations, general fund	LT
	<p>Perform the following maintenance / upgrades at the Kiwanis Tot Lot:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Upgrade playground equipment o Install permanent bathroom facilities 	\$150 - 200,000	grants, donations, general fund, rec revolving	LT



Table 14: Capital Improvement Schedule, cont.

PROJECT	OBJECTIVE	COST ESTIMATE	FUNDING SOURCE	TIME FRAME
	Perform the following maintenance / upgrades at Jaycee Park: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Restore existing picnic pavilion o Add lighting o Upgrade existing grilling facilities o Upgrade playground equipment o Install permanent bathroom facilities 	\$300 - 400,000	grants, donations, general fund, rec revolving	LT
	Install recycling and trash receptacles at all City parks	\$5 - 10,000	donations, general fund, rec revolving	ST
	Address grading, turf condition, drainage, and accessibility at all City parks	TBD	grants, general fund, rec revolving	ST
	Upgrade outdated playground equipment and replace with universally accessible facilities at all City parks	TBD	donations, general fund, rec revolving	ST - LT
	Plant shade trees at all City parks	TBD	grants, general fund, rec revolving	MT
	Install drinking fountains and benches as required at all City parks	TBD	donations, general fund	MT
	Continue to maintain parks and facilities in good working order to ensure the safety and enjoyment of users.	TBD	general fund	ST
Parkland development	Work with cemetery representatives to create 1.5 acre Veteran's Memorial Park at Roseland Park Cemetery	\$20 - 40,000	grants, donations, general fund, rec revolving fund	LT
	Add a mini-park within the current right-of-way at the terminus of Edgewood, where it meets Woodward Avenue.	\$50 - 100,000	grants, donations, general fund, rec revolving fund	LT
	Work with cemetery representatives and the City of Royal Oak to develop linear park along western edge of Roseland Park Cemetery and continuing to Beaumont Hospital	\$30 - 50,000	grants, donations, general fund, rec revolving fund	MT
	Add a mini park within the current right-of-way at the terminus of Robina and Twelve Mile Road; investigate options for parks on the north side, south side, or both sides of Twelve Mile, and development opportunities for a community special events plaza at the juncture.	TBD	grants, donations, general fund	LT

Table 14: Capital Improvement Schedule, cont.

PROJECT	OBJECTIVE	COST ESTIMATE	FUNDING SOURCE	TIME FRAME
	Work with the City Council and Planning Commission to review development proposals and to encourage / develop regulations for developers to set aside open space and parkland.	TBD	general fund	ST - LT
Continuous pathway / trail system	Develop a community-wide pathway plan, using existing sidewalks and roadways	TBD	donations, grants, general fund	ST
	Work with regional trail planners and the County to connect the City's trails/pathways to a regional system along Woodward Avenue	TBD	donations, grants, general fund	MT
	Install site amenities including bike racks, benches, trash receptacle, mile markers, and signs along the trails and at destination points	TBD	donations, grants, general fund	MT
	Establish a marketing strategy for the trail system to attract support and sponsors including the development of a trail brochure and a walking club.	TBD	donations, grants, general fund	MT



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IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

In order to accomplish the recommended actions during the next five years, it will be necessary to secure adequate funding. The current budget provides only a limited amount of funds for park development and improvements. The amount is well short of the projected expenses involved in the project schedule. Therefore, the following strategies are recommended to proceed as planned.

Apply for Federal Funding

At the federal level, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) funds Transportation Enhancements (TE) activities for community-based projects that expand travel choices and enhance the transportation experience by improving the cultural, historic, aesthetic, and environmental aspects of the transportation infrastructure. To be eligible, a project must fall into one of the TE activities. Activities which may apply to the City of Berkley include:

- Provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles such as walkways, curb ramps, bike parking, off-road trails, bike and pedestrian bridges and underpasses;
- Educational programs for pedestrians and bicyclists designed to encourage walking and bicycling by providing potential users with education and safety instruction through classes, pamphlets, and signage; and
- Preservation, conversion, and use of abandoned railway corridors for acquisition, development, planning, design, and construction of multi-use trails, as well as purchasing unused railroad property for reuse.

A minimum 20 percent local match is required for proposed projects and applications are accepted online on an on-going basis.

The *Safe Routes to School* program is a national movement to make it safe, convenient, and fun for children to bicycle and walk to school. When routes are safe, walking or biking to and from school is an easy way to get the regular physical activity children need for a healthy lifestyle. In Michigan, the program is sponsored by the Michigan Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and has gained momentum over the past few years. With the passage of the federal transportation legislation in 2005, Michigan's Safe Routes to School program will make schools eligible for transportation enhancement funds, providing for infrastructure improvements and education campaigns. The purpose of the program, as defined in the federal legislation, is to:

- Enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school;
- Make bicycling and walking to school a safer and more appealing transportation alternative, thereby encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle from an early age; and



- Facilitate the planning, development, and implementation of projects and activities that will improve safety and reduce traffic, fuel consumption, and air pollution in schools' areas.

The program authorizes \$612 million over the five fiscal years which began in 2005. The Michigan Department of Transportation estimates that Michigan's total apportionment over the five years will be roughly \$19 million. Schools must be registered, attend a day-long training session and develop a Walking Audit in order to be eligible to apply. SR2S funding is 100 percent federal; no match is required. Seventy percent of the funding must be used for infrastructure projects, 10 percent for non-infrastructure projects, and 20 percent for either.

Apply for State Funding

At the state level, the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) and the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) continue to be the primary funding sources for parkland acquisition and development.

The MNRTF provides funding for the purchase and development of parkland for natural resource based preservation and recreation. Goals of the program are to:

- Protect natural resources and provide for their access, public use and enjoyment;
- Provide public access to Michigan's water bodies, particularly the Great Lakes and facilitate their recreation use;
- Meet regional, county and community needs for outdoor recreation opportunities;
- Improve the opportunities for outdoor recreation in urban areas; and
- Stimulate Michigan's economy through recreation related tourism and community revitalization.

Grant proposals must include a local match of at least 25 percent of the total project cost. There is no minimum or maximum for acquisition projects. For development projects, the minimum funding request is \$15,000 and the maximum is \$500,000. Applications are due in April and August for acquisition projects and April (only) for development projects.

The LWCF is a federal appropriation to the National Park Service, who distributes funds to the MDNR for development of outdoor recreation facilities. The focus of the program has been on trailway systems and other community recreation needs such as playgrounds, picnic areas, skate parks, ball fields, soccer fields and walking paths. Minimum grant requests are \$30,000 and maximum grant requests are \$75,000. The match percentage must be 50 percent of the total project cost. Applications are due in April for 2010.

Other funding conducted in partnership with the MDNR is available through other state government divisions, such as the Fisheries Division (Inland Fisheries Grant Program) or the Forestry Division (Detroit Edison Tree Planting, Forest Stewardship Program).

The Detroit Edison Tree Planting program began as DTE joined the US Department of Energy's voluntary Climate Challenge Program to address greenhouse gas emissions. Cost-share funds are available to municipalities in the Detroit Edison's service area on a competitive basis for tree planting projects. A total of up to \$4,000 may be granted to eligible tree planting projects on public and school property with a 50 percent local match. Applications are typically due in February.

Apply for Other Grant Funding

There are also a variety of smaller grant programs available for the establishment of greenways/pathways or greenway-related facilities such as Bikes Belong Coalition. The Bikes Belong Coalition is sponsored by members of the American Bicycle Industry. Their mission is to put more people on bikes more often. The program funds projects in three categories: Facility, Education and Capacity Building. Requests for funding can be up to \$10,000 for projects such as bike paths, trails, lanes, parking, and safe routes to school. Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis.

Access to Recreation is a grant program available for universal access of people of all abilities to a wide variety of recreation opportunities, such as nature viewing and photography areas, hiking trails, scenic outlooks, waterfalls and water activities of all kinds, beaches, fishing and boating, playgrounds, picnic areas, campgrounds, and much more. There are two primary grant programs under this source of funding:

- Recreation Access Matching Grant provides up to 50 percent matching funds (up to \$10,000) for the purchase of universally accessible recreation equipment and materials such as all terrain hiking wheelchairs, pool lifts, accessible playground surface, transfer systems, beach access mats, trail surface enhancements, and accessible picnic tables that enhance recreation participation by people with disabilities; and
- Accessible by Design Awards is designed to stimulate the development of creative universally designed recreation experiences that invite, welcome, and support the inclusion of people of all abilities. Winning designs demonstrate how going above and beyond the minimum requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act can create greater access and usability for people of all abilities in the community. Winning designs are awarded cash prizes to build the projects up to \$250,000 with 25 percent minimum match.

Increase Support for Parks

Public support for parks and recreation will be crucial in determining the level of services the City will be able to provide in the future. A specific park or project millage over a limited period could be considered in the future for particular projects such as park or trail acquisition, development, or maintenance.



Seek Other Sources of Funding

The Berkley Parks and Recreation Department and the Parks Advisory Board should investigate additional sources of funding. Seeking donations, attracting sponsors, holding fund-raising events and seeking out other revenue sources are methods that should be pursued aggressively to raise funding for park acquisition and development.



Notice of Draft Plan Availability & Public Hearing

Community Input Meeting Notice, October 29, 2016

City of Berkley Website Announcement

Parks and Recreation Community Engagement Meeting

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Plan to spend two hours with us on:

Thursday, November 12, 2015, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Berkley Community Center Multipurpose Room

2400 Robina, Berkley, MI 48072

Learn about the city's Parks & Recreation Master Plan and help us begin the process of updating this very important document. Additionally, we are asking for your input regarding park facilities, programs, and trail systems in the community. The Parks and Recreation Community Engagement Meeting will be interactive and its success is dependent upon your participation.

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The City is updating their 2011 Parks and Recreation Plan. State law requires that they be updated every five years.



Press Release - Notice of Master Plan availability.

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Press Release

For Immediate Publication

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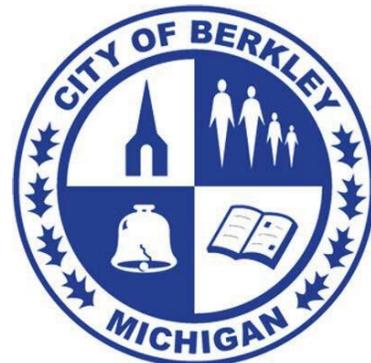
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Tell Us **Your** Ideas On.....

- Parks and Recreation
- Community Facilities and Services
- Non-motorized Pathway Development

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Notice of Draft Plan Availability for Review, December 14, 2015

City of Berkley Website - Notice of Master Plan availability.

Special Notices

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Please see attached.

Happy Monday!

Chelsey Humphrey
 Communications Coordinator
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Notice of Second Community Input Meeting, November 16, 2015



Parks & Recreation Department to Hold Second Community Engagement Meeting

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Published by Chelsey Humphrey [?] · November 16, 2015 at 11:16am

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Berkley, Michigan 48072

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Notice of Public Hearing, January 17, 2016

Public Hearing Notice, sent to Daily Tribune

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: Fri, Jan 15, 2016 at 3:30 PM
Subject: Re: Legal Notice Jan. 17
To: Annette Boucher [REDACTED]
Cc: Theresa McArleton [REDACTED]

I apologize, that has been updated;

**THE CITY OF BERKLEY
PARKS & RECREATION
2400 ROBINA, BERKLEY, MICHIGAN 48072
248-658-3470**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BERKLEY CITY COUNCIL**

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**THERESA MCARLETON
PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR**

Published :
DT - Sunday, January 17, 2016

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City of Berkley Website - Notice of PublicHearing.

The screenshot shows the City of Berkley Michigan website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Community, City Council, Departments, eConnect, How Do I?, and Calendar. A search bar is also present. The main content area features a large image of people ice skating, with the headline "Get Out and Play!" and a sub-headline "Check out the Berkley Buzz for fun activities this Winter!". Below this is a "More Info" button. To the right, there is a "Subscribe to eNews" section with a search box and a "Go" button, and a "Recent City Council Meetings" section listing dates from January 4 to November 16. Below the main content, there are tabs for "Local News", "Parks & Recreation", "City Finance", and "Branding Study". Under "Local News", there are links for "November 2015 Election Results (Updated)", "2015 Yard Waste/Leaf Pickup", and "Berkley Robina Project". Under "Parks & Recreation", there are links for "State of the City Presentation 2015", "E-mail Updates", and "Facebook Updates". A "Special Notices" section is also visible, containing a "Notice of Public Hearing Berkley City Council" with details about a public hearing on the updated Parks & Recreation Master Plan on Monday, February 1, 2016, at 7 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall at 3338 Coolidge Hwy. The right sidebar contains a list of links: "Berkley Buzz - Winter 2016", "Behind the Badge", "City Dashboard", "City Code Book", "Meetings On Line", "Parks & Recreation Register On Line", "Make Movies in Berkley!", "Bid Opportunities", "Access Berkley Mobile App", and "We Care".



Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Resolution Recommending Adoption of Master Plan



Resolution In Support of the Adoption of the City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan

WHEREAS, the City of Berkley has updated its five-year parks and recreation master plan which describes the community's physical and social characteristics, existing parks and recreation facilities, and the desired actions to be taken to improve the parks and recreation facilities during the period between 2016 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the *Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan's* goals and objectives were developed in response to, a public workshop held in November 12, 2015, and input from City officials, Parks and Recreation Committee members, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board reviewed the draft *Parks and Recreation Master Plan* at a public meeting held on December 10, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the plan was made available for public review from December 14, 2015 to January 14, 2016 to provide an opportunity for citizens to express opinions and comment on all aspects of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkley has developed the plan for the benefit of the entire community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board recommends the adoption of the *Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan* by the Berkley City Council.

Motion by:

Supported by:

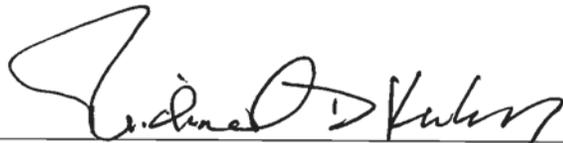
Votes in favor:

Votes opposed:

Abstained:

Absent:

I hereby attest that the above is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board at a public meeting held on the 14th day of January, 2016.



Mike Kerby, Chair

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
CITY OF BERKLEY, MICHIGAN



Minutes of Public Hearing

- **Agenda, City Council Meeting, 2/1/2016**
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**CITY OF BERKLEY PUBLIC NOTICE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday, February 1, 2016
7:00 P.M. – City Hall
248-658-3300**

**CALL 36th COUNCIL TO ORDER
APPROVAL OF AGENDA
INVOCATION – DEACON BRIAN CARROLL
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
CITIZEN COMMENTS
ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Consent Agenda

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Regular Agenda

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COMMUNICATIONS

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Note: Official minutes of City Council Meetings and supporting documents for Council packets are available for public review in the City Clerk's Office during normal working hours.



**SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
REGULAR BERKLEY CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

PRESENT: Steve Baker Dan Terbrack
Alan Kideckel Phil O'Dwyer
Eileen Steadman

ABSENT: Jack Blanchard Tina Edgar

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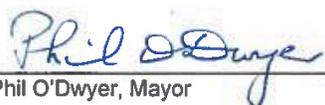
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Phommady A. Boucher, City Clerk


Phil O'Dwyer, Mayor

Berkley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
11/12/2016 Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Mike Kerby
Josephine Brewer
Gary Polk
Betty Smith
Gerald Aben
John Nicolai

Absent

Joshua Pollard

Special Guest

Theresa McArleton
Dan Terberak
Alan Kideckel
Dale Goodcourage
Scott Jennex
Dan McMinn

Meeting was called to order at 8:35pm by Mike Kerby

Approval of 10/8/2015 Minutes- Motion was made by Josephine Brewer to approve minutes and seconded by Betty Smith.

Board Business

1. Matter of 5 Year-Recreation Master Plan Public Engagement Meeting

The Board convened following the first Public Engagement Meeting. The consensus of the Board was that the public meeting was a success as it allowed the Board to meet and engage with new people and to gain a sense of the needs and wants of the citizens of Berkley. Each member of the Board expressed gratitude to Theresa as well as Chris Nordstrom for coordinating the Public Engagement Meeting and looked forward to the next steps in the planning process.

Miscellaneous

John stated that it was a cool experience that people took seriously, but everyone was smiling at the end. Overall a positive experience.

Josephine enjoyed mingling with fellow residents of Berkley new and old and hearing their ideas. While some of the ideas may seem impossible, the idea of the meeting was to get ideas from the community.

Gary expressed his belief that it was a constructive meeting with many positive ideas.

Scott – Scott stated that he had recently spoken with the County in regards to whether it was considering putting a splash pad in at Catalpa Oaks, to which the County indicated it did not have any current plans.

Alan - thought that the meeting was a very positive experience and that it was great to hear from a variety of individuals.



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Theresa - Thought that it was great to meet residents of the city and to hear from new people about why they were using facilities.

Dan – Dan thanked everyone who was at the meeting for their input as well as for Theresa and the department for putting the meeting on. He noted that, while the official demographic data shows Berkley has an aging population, recently many new young families with children have moved into the city. While he wished there were more people in attendance, those who were there provided great input with lots of great ideas. He provided a brief update on the City and Council, including that the city manager search was moving forward.

Mike – Mike thought that it was a good evening and, like Dan, while he wished there were more people, it was great to hear from the residents, including new ideas that we haven't heard before. Thought that the process was a good process and kept the people in attendance engaged.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm – Motion was made to adjourn by Gary and seconded by Betty.

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Members Present

Mike Kerby
Josephine Brewer
Gary Polk
Betty Smith
Gerald Aben
John Nicolai

Absent

Joshua Pollard

Special Guest

Theresa McArleton
Daniel Terbrak
Chris Nordstrom
Roland Alix
Phil O'Dwyer
Scott Jennex
Dan McMinn

Meeting was called to order at 5:04pm by Mike Kirby

Approval of 12/10/2015 agenda- Motion was made by Betty Smith approve the Agenda, which was seconded by Josephine Brewer.

Guest Comments -

Board Business

1. Matter of 5-Year Recreation Plan-

Mr. Nordstrom from Carlisle Wortman was invited to walk the board through the draft plan. He began by discussing the process used to that point in developing the plan, including the online resident survey as well as the first public meeting. He cautioned that, due to the number of responses, the survey was not statistically significant, but that it did provide some useful information. Mr. Nicolai made a suggestion about a language change so that nearly substantially 50% of the respondents indicated use of the parks rather than 47%. The board indicated some consensus about that suggestion. Mr. Nordstrom then discussed highlights of the survey, including a desire for a splash pad and hiking/biking paths. He further noted that, although the issue of dog parks was raised during the public information session, it was not at issue in the survey and asked for the Board's input. The consensus of the Board was that a dog park was not a significant issue at this time.

Other topics mentioned in the survey included the need for additional "teen" programming, clarification about the costs and sources of assistance. The use of weed killers in the parks was again raised in the survey and at the public input session. Mr. Terbrak asked the board its opinion of the use of weed



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killers. After a brief discussion, the Board's consensus was that it was not a priority and could be discontinued.

Mr. Nordstrom then discussed the public input session. In addition to the public generally liking the programming offered by the Department, he noted certain themes that arose from the public input session included that would be "reaches" due to cost and other considerations. These include:

- x Upgrades to the Community Center/New Community Center;
- x Bathrooms, concession stands, and additional pavilions at the various parks were each a priority;
- x A pool or splash pad.

The Board discussed each of these items, including the potential cost and barriers to such projects as well as potential opportunities, such as partnering with the school district for additional public use of the high school pool.

Mr. Nordstrom then discussed other items that could be accomplished more easily. These include:

- x Benches;
- x ADA accessibility/ADA accessible play equipment;
- x Trash/General Maintenance of grounds and equipment (additional staff);
- x Bike Paths and related amenities (e.g., signage, bike maintenance stations, etc.)
- x Lighting.

The Board discussed each of these items.

During the public input session, there was the opportunity to consider new parks with various responses. The Board briefly discussed each potential park.

Mr. Nordstrom next walked the Board through the Plan's proposed Goals and Objectives. The Board discussed the various goals highlighted in the Plan, with specific attention paid to issues related to the need for funding. The Board also talked about re-ordering some of the goals to ensure that city priorities were highlighted.

Mr. Nordstrom and the Board then discussed the Action Plan for the next five years, with the Board providing input on the order and priorities of the various action items. The Board discussed a number of the action items, including

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maintenance and upgrades to the facilities, issues surrounding the ice arena, and funding for the department.

Finally, Mr. Nordstrom walked the board through the Schedule of Capital Expenditures. Once again the Board discussed the priorities of the various expenditure. The Board noted that Maintenance should be one of the top expenditure priorities to ensure that existing facilities remain viable. Additionally, upgrades to sports fields, parking, and storage space were also noted as priorities. The ice arena was also noted as a significant priority due to the challenges it faces due to availability of coolant. Community priorities highlighted in the public session were also discussed, such as a splash pad, bathroom facilities, and new pavilion space.

Mr. Kerby wanted to ensure that the Plan addressed a possible millage as a potential funding source.

Mr. Nordstrom and Ms. McArleton encouraged the Board to provide any comments, edits, or feedback so that when the draft plan was published, it was as near to complete as possible.

Ms. McArleton walked through the schedule, noting that they planned to publish the Plan for public review on Monday, December 14, 2015 so that the Board could vote at its January 14, 2016 meeting to recommend the plan to the Council in time for the Council to consider the plan at its February 1, 2016 meeting.

2. Miscellaneous

Miscellaneous Comments & Notes

Mayor O'Dwyer– Mr. O'Dwyer encouraged the Board by noting that everyone the Council speaks with values the Department of Parks and Recreation. He noted the changing population of the city, including many new young families. He also noted the importance of the Plan for funding the department. In closing he wished the Board a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mike Kerby – Before closing the meeting, Mr. Kerby reiterated the needed teen programming and activities.

Meeting adjourned 7:00pm – Motion was made to adjourn by Jerry Aben and seconded by John Nicolai.



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Members Present

Mike Kerby
Josephine Brewer
Gary Polk
Betty Smith
Gerald Aben
John Nicolai
Joshua Pollard

Absent

Special Guest

Theresa McArleton

Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by Mike Kirby

Approval of 12/10/2015 Minutes- Motion was made by Josephine Brewer to approve minutes and seconded by Betty Smith.

Approval of 01/14/2016 agenda – Motion was made by Gary Polk and seconded by Jerry Aben

Guest Comments –

Board Business

1. Matter of Public Comments Regarding 5 Year Recreation Master Plan

No guests were present to provide any public comments.

2. Matter of 5 Year Recreation Master Plan Resolution

Mike Kerby asked whether the members of the Board had the opportunity to review the proposed Resolution and if there were any comments. The Board discussed the process to develop the plan and commended Theresa McArleton as well as the Chris Nordstrom from Carlisle Wortman for the end product. It was the feeling of the Board that interest was higher for this 5 year plan, which has contributed to a better product. This may be attributable to new Berkley citizens, including many younger families.

Theresa McArleton noted that the public notice had been submitted for publishing to inform the public about the Council Meeting on February 1, 2016. During the meeting, there will be an opportunity for public comment. The Council will then vote on the plan. Once it has been approved, it will be submitted to the State for review.

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Gary Polk made a motion to approve the **Resolution in Support of the Adoption of the City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan** and Betty Smith supported that motion. The Board members present voted unanimously to approve the resolution.

3. Matter of Program/Arena Updates

Theresa McArleton informed the Board that the Friends of Berkley Parks and Recreation had donated a bouncer and that the Department had already used it for a new tot gym time.

She noted that there were several new programs that they were very excited about. These included a new Boot Camp program, as well as a drop in gym time for children 9months old to 4years old. Both programs have are already proving popular and good additions to the Department with a number of individuals coming from out of town. Theresa stated that it had been the best January for the Department during the time she has worked there. Mike Kerby asked how people from out of town were hearing about the programs and Theresa noted that it was likely from social media and word of mouth.

Theresa then provided a brief update on the Arena. She had recently spoken with Tom Jones, who had originally designed the Arena's cooling system. He was optimistic that there was a new technology that may be a more affordable option to allow the Department to retain the existing infrastructure. He was going to be in touch with her again in the next few weeks.

4. Matter of Angell Park Equipment Bid

Theresa informed the Board that the request for bids for the Angell Park equipment was out and that any responses were due January 22, 2016. She was hopeful that there would be a number of bidders and that they would be within the requested price range. Josh Pollard expressed regret that Theresa had to deal with the tone that many people took in response to the playground situation on social media and calling in to the Department.

5. Matter of Studio Space in Arena

Theresa informed the Board that the Berkley Dad's Club had renovated the space as a training and conditioning room, that it looked fantastic, and that it was fully booked. She noted that, because of the people in the studio space and the Arena ice being heavily booked, the Arena feels alive, which is good for



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the staff as well as the Arena users. Mike Kerby noted that, on a recent night, it was hard to walk around because it was so busy. The Board discussed how the studio was being used and future plans of the Dad's Club.

6. Matter of the Michigan Warrior Hockey Game

Theresa informed the Board about the Michigan Warrior Hockey Game, which was being arranged as a senior project by one of the players on the West Bloomfield Girl's Hockey Team. The team will be playing the Michigan Warrior Hockey Program's team, which has a mission to assist disabled veterans adjust to home life after returning from active duty.

7. Matter of 2016 Winterfest

Theresa updated the Board on the planning for Winterfest 2016. In addition to using the new Bouncer, they will continue the elements added last year, including the characters, but they will also be adding open skating. Open skating will be free, although they will still be charging for skates.

8. Matter of Department Reorganization

Theresa informed the Board that the reorganization had become effective January 4th. The Reorganization was the result of the drastic changes the Department has had over the last several months to a year. The reorganization was done by Theresa, in consultation with the Chief, as interim City Manager, and Darchelle Strickland Love, Assisted City Manager and reflects the current needs of the Department. It will allow Theresa, as Director, to focus on other tasks, such as applying for grants and strategic planning. They are currently working on hiring a new office administrator and are hopeful they will be able to find a good fit, whether internally or externally.

Miscellaneous Comments & Notes

Josephine Brewer– Josephine wanted to reiterate her appreciation for the hard work that Theresa, the staff, and the consultants have put in to prepare the 5 year plan. She was encouraged and believes the Department is on solid ground.

Gary Polk – Gary thanked Josephine for the cookies. He was impressed with the latest Berkley Buzz and also wanted to expand upon what Josephine said about his appreciation for the hard work of everyone on the plan. He feels that

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in the last few months the Department has been more proactive and is pleased the Theresa is the permanent Director.

John Nicolai – Likewise wanted to thank Josephine for the cookies. He noted that he was behind, but that he needed to meet with Theresa to discuss plans for the Mayor’s Cup. This year it is likely to be middle school teams. He also wanted to tell all involved that good job on the 5 year plan.

Jerry Aben – He wished the Board a happy new year and noted that he was looking forward to the coming year. Between the 5 year plan and the recent developments with the Department, he believed that the Department was headed in the right direction.

Josh Pollard – Josh Pollard mentioned that the hotel room he and his wife had donated to the Berkley Friend would be raffled off at the upcoming Euchre Tournament fundraiser. He has noticed a marked change in the staff and that, while they have always been professional and done a great job, they seem happier.

Mike Kerby – Mike was happy to hear about the involvement of Tom Jones. He also expressed congratulations to Theresa for everything she has accomplished in the last few months, including the 5 year plan and the Department reorganization. He appreciated everyone’s hard work on the 5 year plan.

Theresa McArleton – Theresa mentioned that the City was beginning to work on the next Budget. She is hoping to use the 5 year plan to begin pushing a new park. She discussed that the staff was phenomenal and was planning to advocate for all of the staff in the upcoming Budget year. She is hoping to be able to have at least one more additional full time staff member. She also expressed that she has been excited to have been working with the Chief and Darchelle as they are both great to work with.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm – Motion was made to adjourn by Jerry Aben and seconded by John Nicolai.



City Council Resolution



A RESOLUTION

of the Council of the City of Berkley, Michigan
adopting a Five Year Recreation Plan

WHEREAS, the City of Berkley has undertaken a five year Parks and Recreation Plan which describes the physical features, existing recreation facilities and the desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain recreation facilities during the period between 2016 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Monday, February 1, 2016 to provide an opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions and discuss all aspects of the Recreation Plan; and

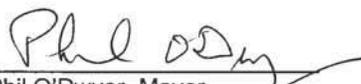
WHEREAS, the City of Berkley has developed the plan for the benefit of the entire community and to adopt the plan as a document to assist in meeting the recreation needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board voted to recommend adoption by the City Council of the said Recreation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BERKLEY RESOLVES:

SECTION 1: That the City Council does hereby adopt a Five Year Recreation Plan as a guideline for improving recreation for the residents of the City of Berkley.

Introduced and passed at a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, February 1, 2016.


Phil O'Dwyer, Mayor

Attest.

Phronzady A. Boucher, City Clerk



Letters of Transmittal





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February 22, 2016

William Parkus
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Southeast Michigan Council of Governments
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Dear Mr. Parkus:

The attached City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan was adopted by the City Council at a meeting held on February 1, 2016. The plan will be sent to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment for their review and approval. The plan will be subject to future review and updates as deemed necessary by City of Berkley Council and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Please feel free to contact the City of Berkley or myself if you have any comments regarding this plan.

Thank you for your consideration,

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Landscape Architect

cc. Theresa McArleton, City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Director

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February 22, 2016

Amy Matisoff
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Dear Ms. Matisoff:

This letter is notification to you that the City of Berkley Parks and Recreation Master Plan was adopted by the City of Berkley Council at a meeting held on February 1, 2016. The Plan and Certification Checklist have been uploaded to the MDNR website.

Please feel free to contact the City of Berkley or myself if you have any comments regarding this plan.

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Public Input Summary



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December 17, 2015

City of Berkley

Recreation Department

Re: Parks and Recreation 5 year plan rough draft

I am concerned about the current state of our existing sidewalk system in the City of Berkley. I believe no city wide maintenance program has been initiated in over a decade. Many of the sidewalks are in poor condition from cracks, heaving and improper attempts at repair by residents. Walking is one of our most basic exercise activities and for many senior citizens it is their only activity. A safe public sidewalk system should be a high priority in any recreation plan, especially in a community such as Berkley with an aging population and no trails connecting the parks, other than the public sidewalks.

I have reviewed the proposed Parks and Recreation Master Plan draft dated 12-14-15 and have found references to our community's sidewalks/pathways and their impact on public recreation. I would like to see our public sidewalk system take a higher priority in the Plan as a recreational opportunity for residents and I would like to see a greater emphasis on maintaining these sidewalks as a goal for our Parks and Recreation department.

On page 11 it says "Berkley has made concerted efforts to make the city more pedestrian and biker friendly, and continues to pursue opportunities to improve the street level experience for non-motorized users." However on page 21 our extensive sidewalk system, though on public property is not listed in our RECREATION INVENTORY. I believe it should be.

On page 36 there is no mention of "walking" under "Senior Activities." I believe it is one of the most common forms of exercise used by our senior citizens and should be recognized as such in the Plan.

On page 40 in Table 8, Regional Park Facilities there are no fitness trails listed for any of our regional parks. The City of Berkley could easily provide a fitness trail within or between the parks using the existing walks within the parks in combination with the public sidewalk system. This could fill a need for our community which is lacking in our regional park facilities.

This plan does not seem to recognize our existing sidewalk system as a greenway or trail system. On page 41 it appears that our sidewalk system may qualify as a park. It states "Other types of parks include. . . Greenways: areas that link park system components together to form a continuous park environment, which include the City safety paths." Since in our COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION on page 5 we state "Residents enjoy affordable and safe neighborhoods; walkable, tree-lined streets" it seems we should be thinking of our public sidewalk system as a greenway and we should be promoting such in this Plan as well as in other promotions of our city's public image. On page 42 in "Table 10: Comparison to Facility Development Standards" trails are listed as deficient though I estimate our city to have over 150 miles of public sidewalk. If the public sidewalks are not to be considered trails we should at least include a category of "walking paths" or "pathways" and list our city as not being deficient in that category.

On page 43 the plan states "Improving the City's trails system is a priority of this plan." I believe that the only trail system we have is the public sidewalks and I don't believe we have been improving those in the past few years and a concerted effort needs to be made to maintain our sidewalks.

In the section entitled ACCESSIBILITY ASSESSMENT it states "A critical component in planning for recreation facilities is providing barrier free access in order to accommodate the needs of all people, including those with disabilities." While the City has been investing in removing curbs at intersections our sidewalk system accessibility is deteriorating as nature heaves sidewalks and creates dangerous steps and trip hazards in the sidewalks between intersections. The maintenance of our existing walks should be of equal or higher priority to improvement of our intersections.

On page 45 the Plan states "Recreation trends on a national level provide insight into activities that show the greatest growth in popularity and may affect the future direction of parks and recreation." The two top activities listed are "Walking for fitness" and "Running/jogging." It also says the Michigan Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan states that "more than half the respondents participated in one or more of the following: . . . walking outdoors" is the first item listed. On page 48 the Plan says "Recreation facilities and programs should respond to the expected increase of seniors." "With the increased popularity of exercise walking and fitness related activities, there will continue to be an increased importance on recreation contributing to walkable and sustainable communities." A community attitude and interest survey was conducted in the fall of 2015. This is discussed on page 49. In the SURVEY RESULTS it states "The top need for Berkley parks according to respondents is new playground structures Walking and biking paths were next on the list."

On page 55 under "GOALS FOR EXISTING PARKS (EP)" it states "EP4. Continue to maintain parks and facilities in good working order to ensure the safety and enjoyment of users." On pages 59 and 61 the ACTION PLAN includes "MAINTAIN AND UPGRADE EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, This action includes replacing aging equipment which is in a state of disrepair, outdated, or dangerous." Our public street sidewalk system should be included in this Plan as an adjunct part of the parks facilities and should be on a regular maintenance schedule.

On page 65, Table 14: Capital Improvement Schedule says "Develop a community-wide pathway plan, using existing sidewalks and roadways" and it goes on the set this as a short term goal. If in the short term we are going to develop a pathway plan using the existing sidewalks we should also in the short term fix the problems with the existing sidewalks.

In summary I suggest that the Plan should specifically reference the public sidewalk system as a part of our recreation facilities. It should highlight the value of our sidewalks for recreational purposes and as trails connecting our parks. It should include a statement of the importance of maintaining safe sidewalks for recreational purposes for seniors and others and should it should include this maintenance as a goal for Parks and Recreation.

Sincerely,

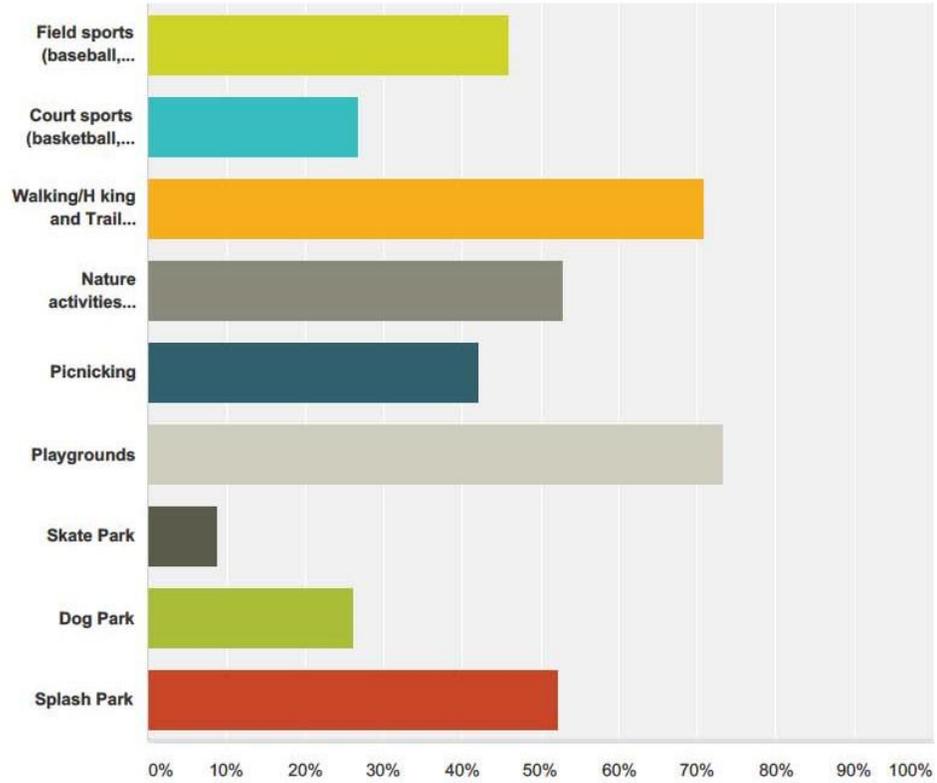
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Q1 What types of recreation activities do you or your family members regularly participate in? Choose all that apply.

Answered: 161 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Field sports (baseball softball football soccer Lacrosse etc)	45.96% 74
Court sports (basketball tennis volleyball bocci etc)	26.71% 43
Walking/Hiking and Trail sports (walking/running bicycling rollerblading etc)	70.81% 114
Nature activities (nature walks bird watching etc)	52.80% 85
Picnicking	42.24% 68
Playgrounds	73.29% 118
Skate Park	8.70% 14
Dog Park	26.09% 42
Splash Park	52.17% 84
Total Respondents: 161	

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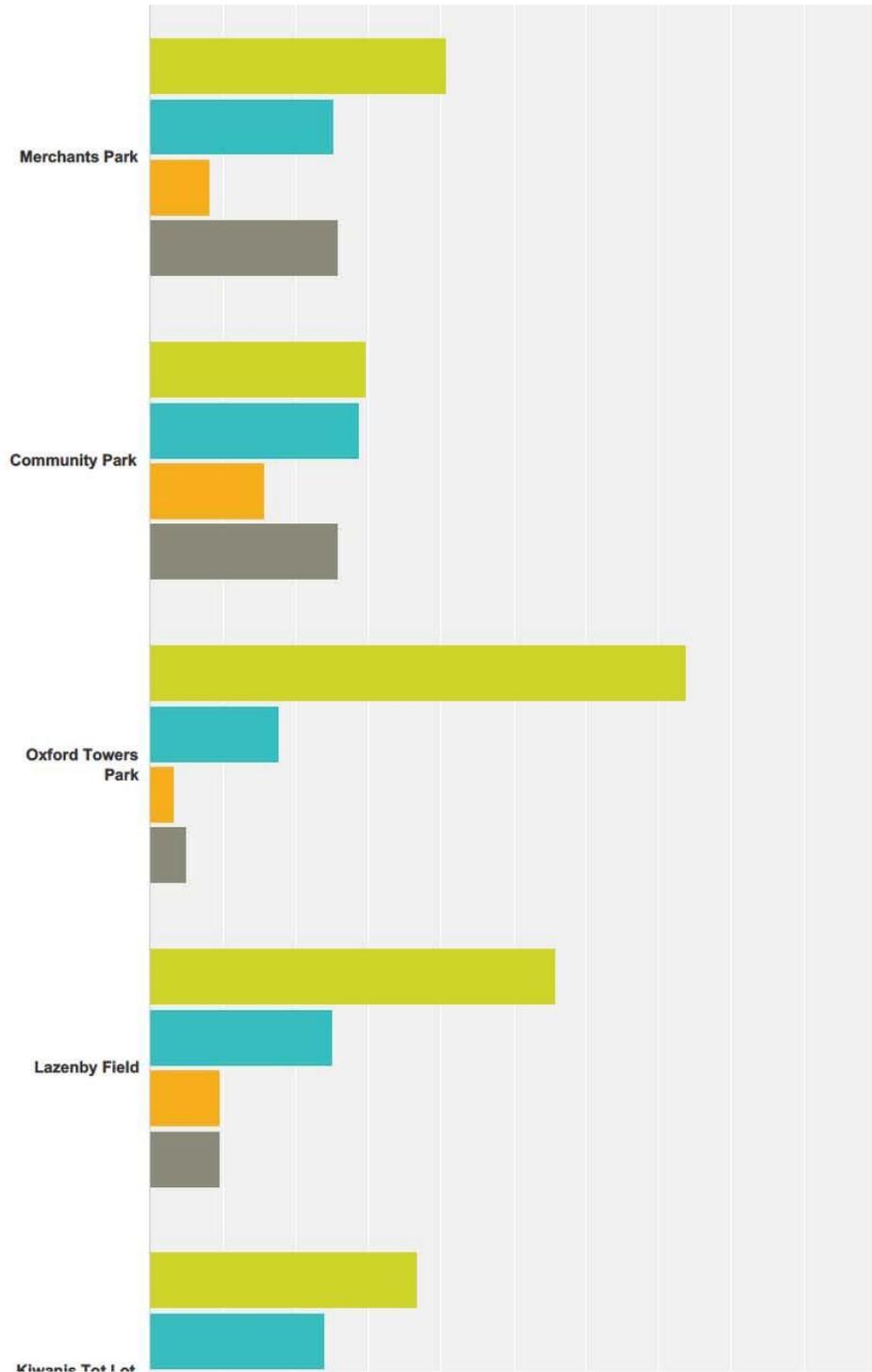
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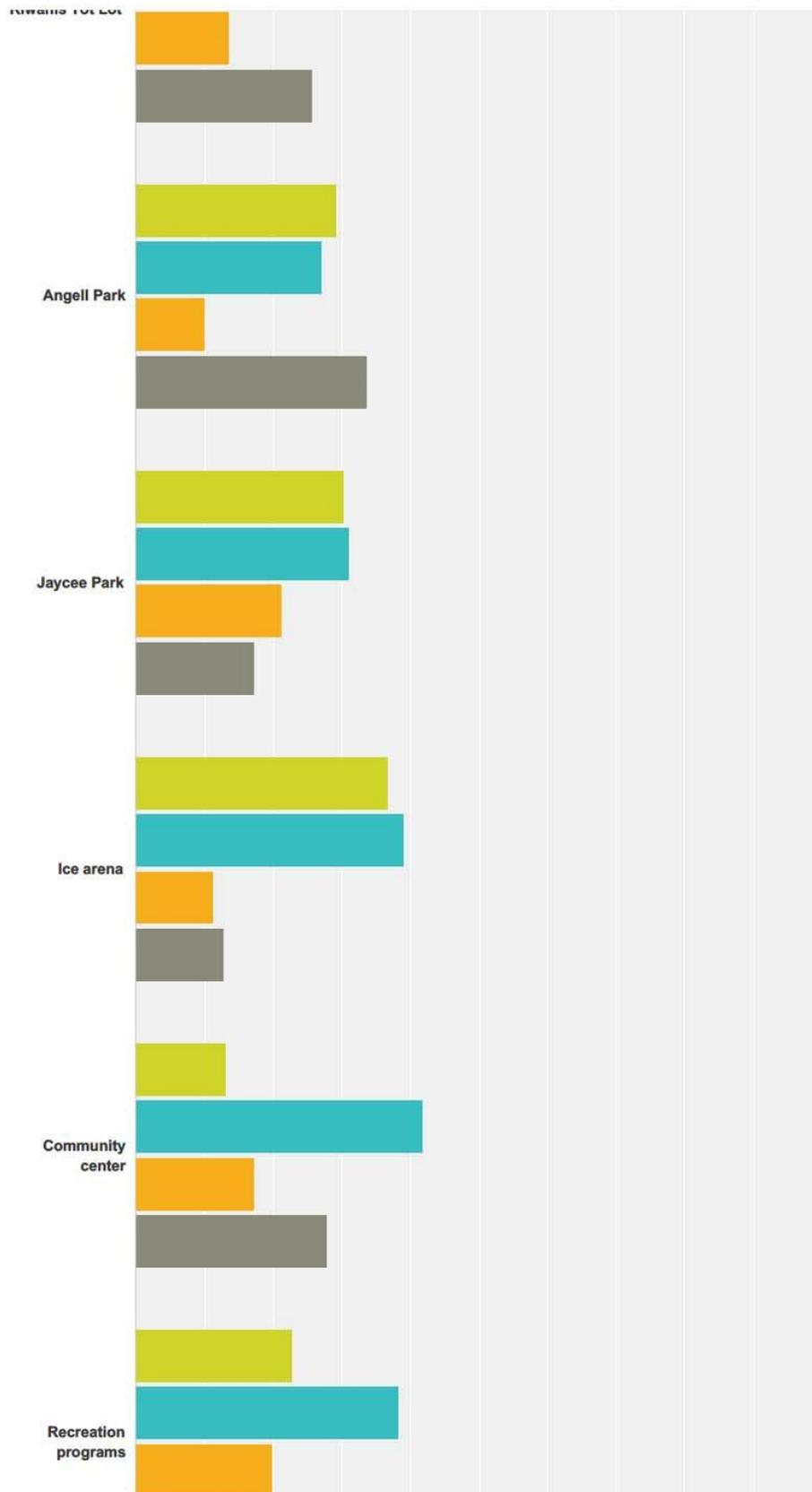
Q2 How many times have you or a member of your household visited our city parks and community facilities in the past year?

Answered: 157 Skipped: 7



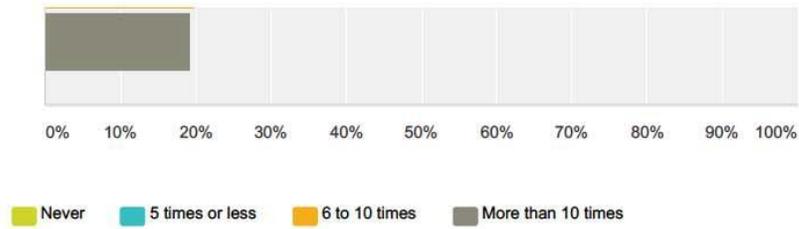
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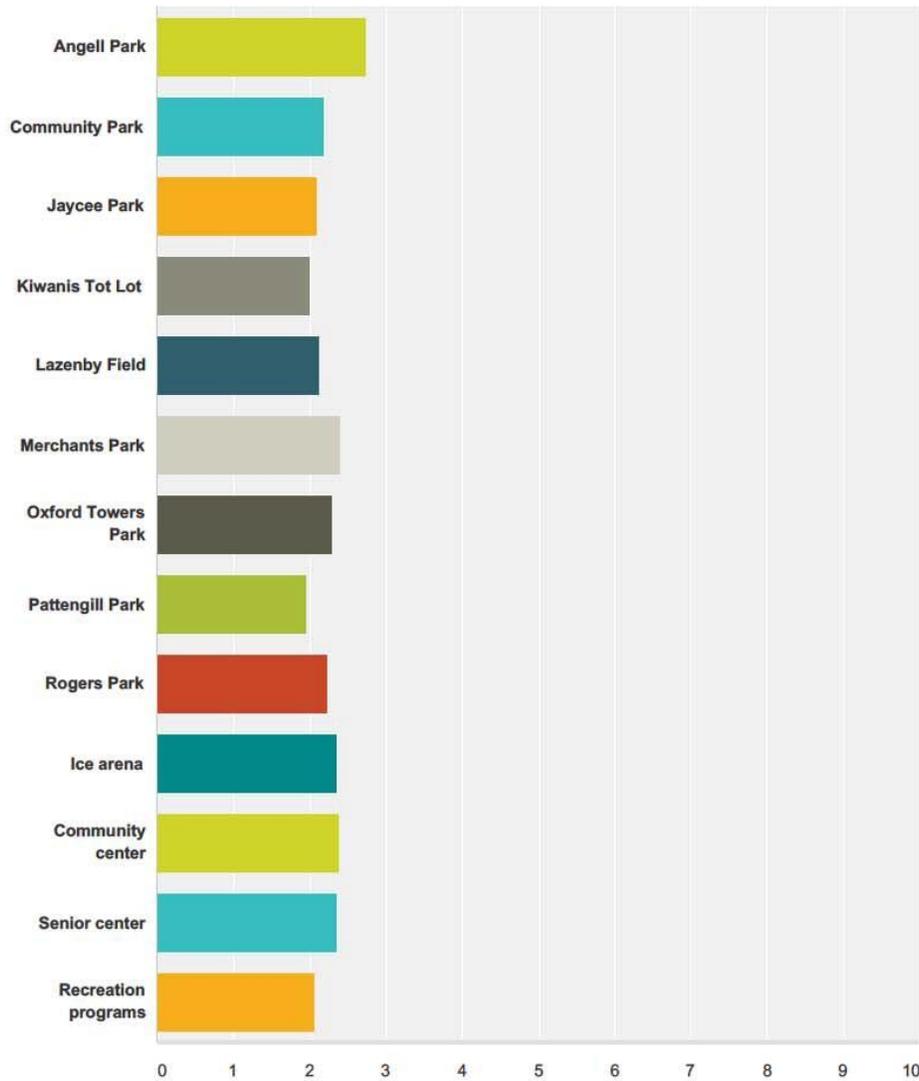


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Merchants Park	40.74% 55	25.19% 34	8.15% 11	25.93% 35	135
Community Park	29.63% 40	28.89% 39	15.56% 21	25.93% 35	135
Oxford Towers Park	73.73% 87	17.80% 21	3.39% 4	5.08% 6	118
Lazenby Field	55.65% 69	25.00% 31	9.68% 12	9.68% 12	124
Kiwanis Tot Lot	36.80% 46	24.00% 30	13.60% 17	25.60% 32	125
Angell Park	29.29% 41	27.14% 38	10.00% 14	33.57% 47	140
Jaycee Park	30.30% 40	31.06% 41	21.21% 28	17.42% 23	132
ce arena	36.84% 49	39.10% 52	11.28% 15	12.78% 17	133
Community center	13.19% 19	41.67% 60	17.36% 25	27.78% 40	144
Recreation programs	22.79% 31	38.24% 52	19.85% 27	19.12% 26	136

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Q3 How satisfied are you with our city parks and community facilities in the past year? Please mark each of the following where 1 is very satisfied and 4 is very dissatisfied.

Answered: 146 Skipped: 18



	1 - Very Satisfied	2 - Satisfied	3 - Dissatisfied	4 - Very Dissatisfied	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
Angell Park	6.82% 9	31.82% 42	16.67% 22	24.24% 32	20.45% 27	132	2.73
Community Park	8.20% 10	50.82% 62	14.75% 18	4.10% 5	22.13% 27	122	2.19



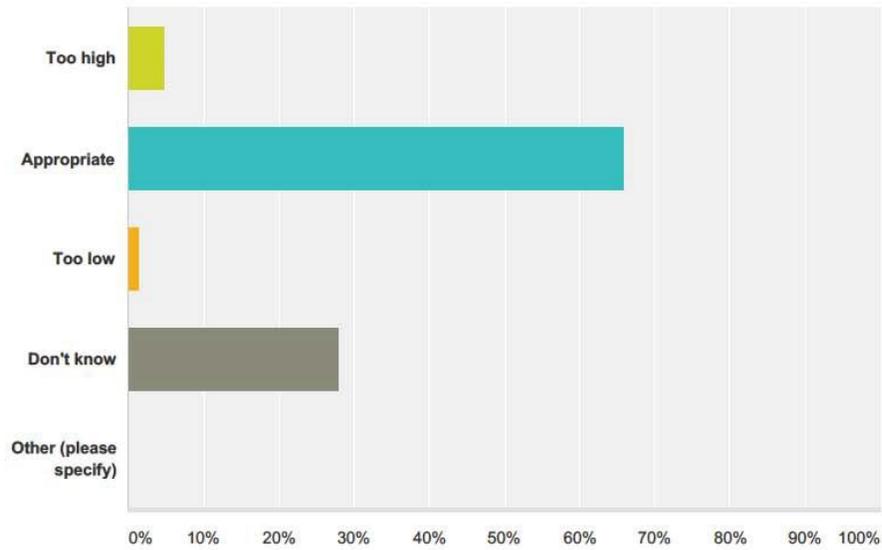
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Q4 How do you feel about the fees charged for park programs?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 17



Answer Choices	Responses	
Too high	4.76%	7
Appropriate	65.99%	97
Too low	1.36%	2
Don't know	27.89%	41
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
Total		147

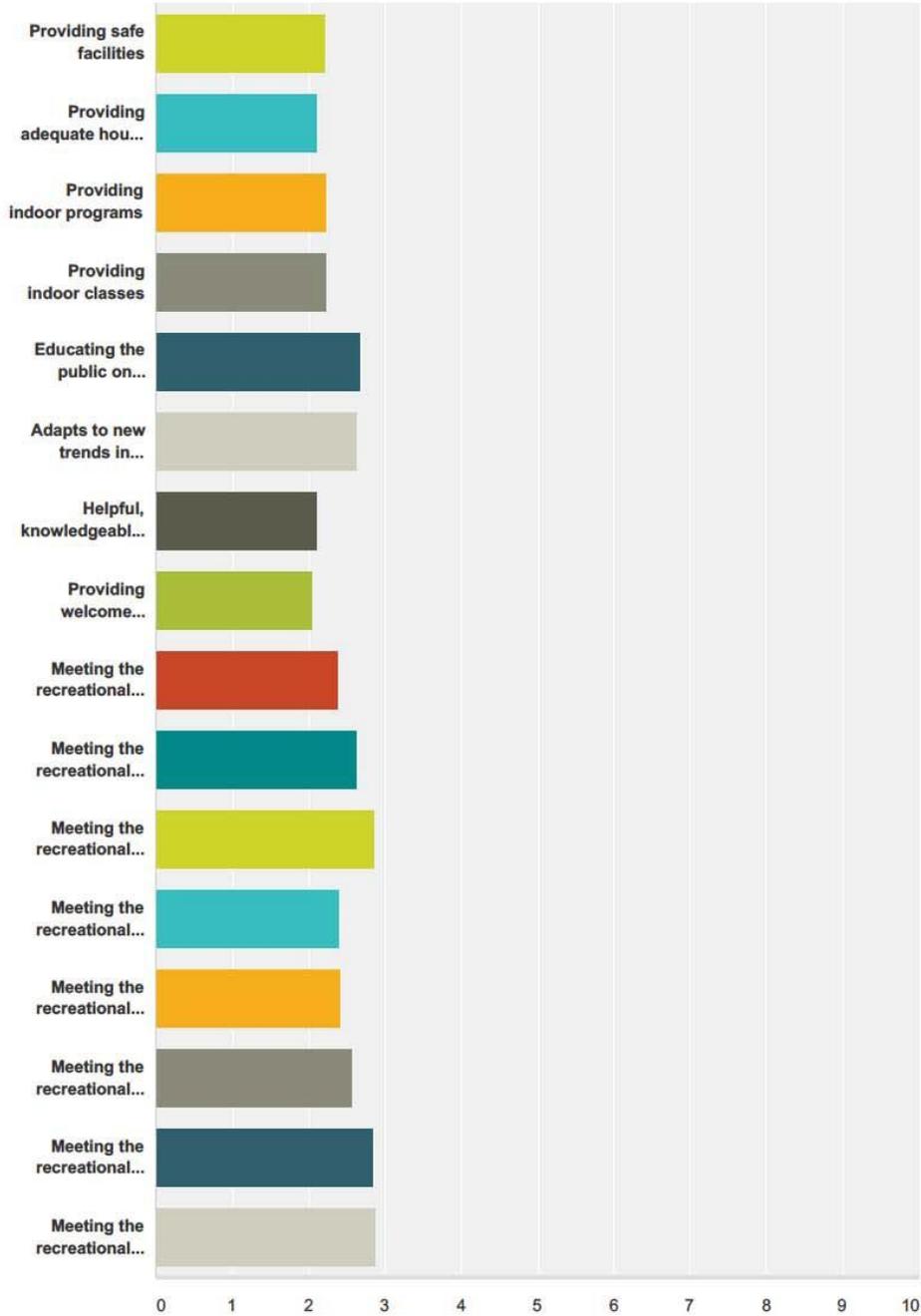
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Q5 How well does the Recreation Department perform in the following areas:

Answered: 133 Skipped: 31



1 - Great	2 - Good	3 - Fair	4 - Poor	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
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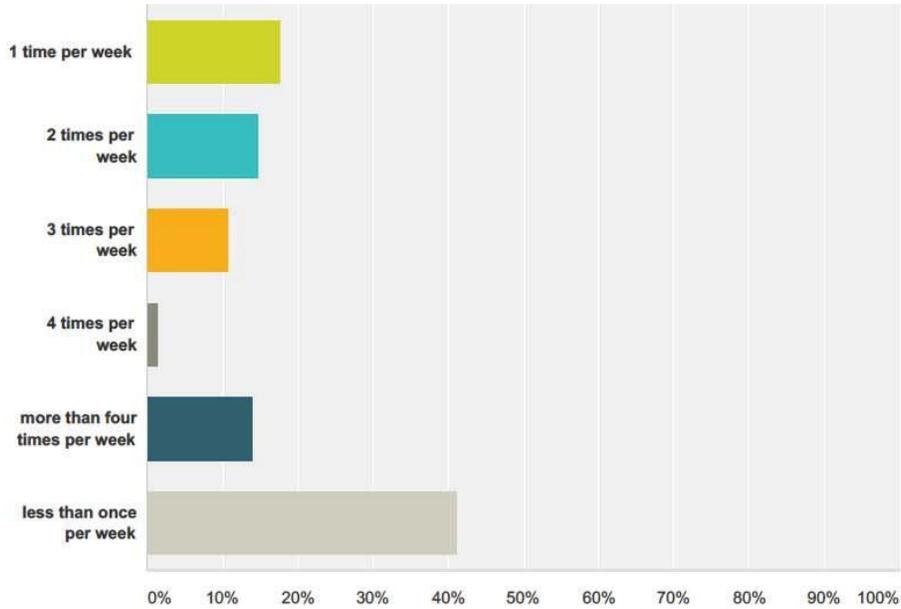
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Q6 How often do you use the programs or facilities provided by the Recreation Department?

Answered: 129 Skipped: 35

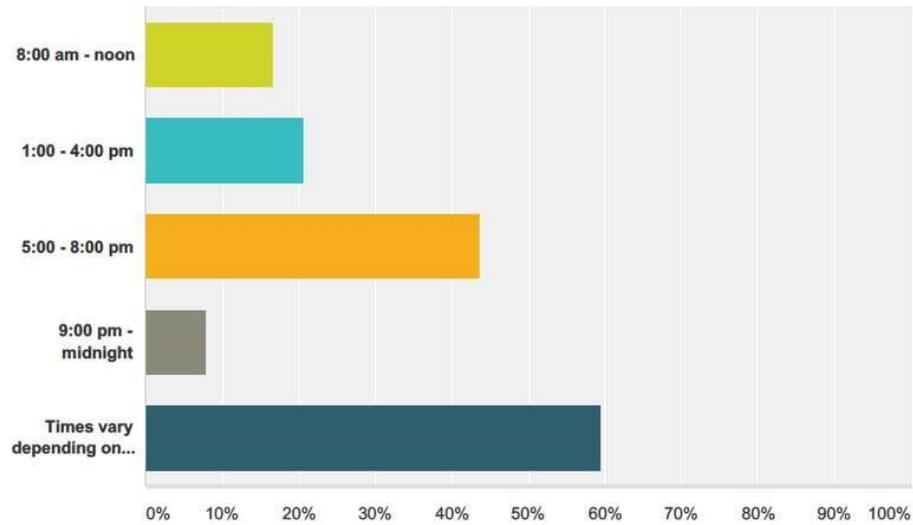


Answer Choices	Responses	Count
1 time per week	17.83%	23
2 times per week	14.73%	19
3 times per week	10.85%	14
4 times per week	1.55%	2
more than four times per week	13.95%	18
less than once per week	41.09%	53
Total		129

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Q7 What time of the day do you typically use programs or facilities provided by the Recreation Department? Choose all that apply.

Answered: 126 Skipped: 38



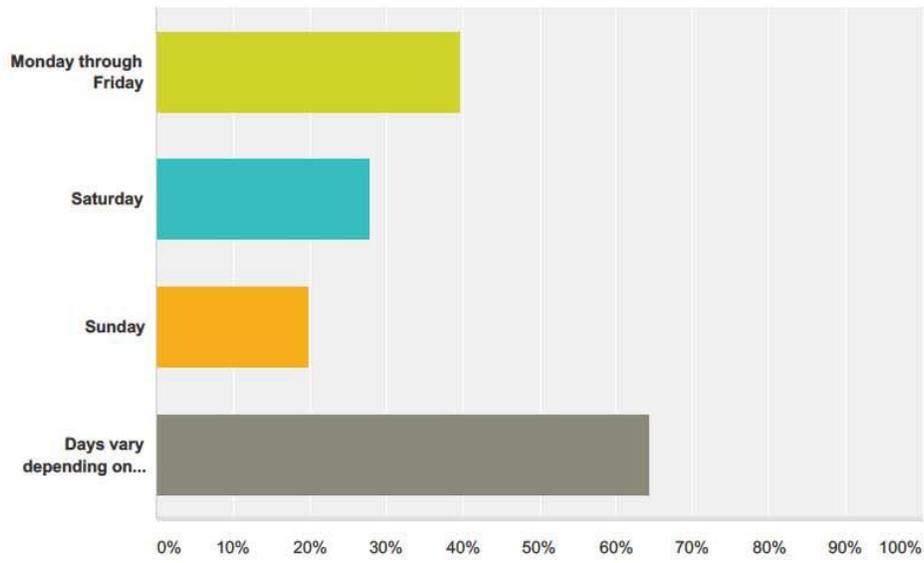
Answer Choices	Responses	
8 00 am noon	16.67%	21
1 00 4 00 pm	20.63%	26
5 00 8 00 pm	43.65%	55
9 00 pm midnight	7.94%	10
Times vary depending on circumstances	59.52%	75
Total Respondents: 126		



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Q8 What days of the week do you typically use programs or facilities provided by the Recreation Department? Choose all that apply.

Answered: 126 Skipped: 38

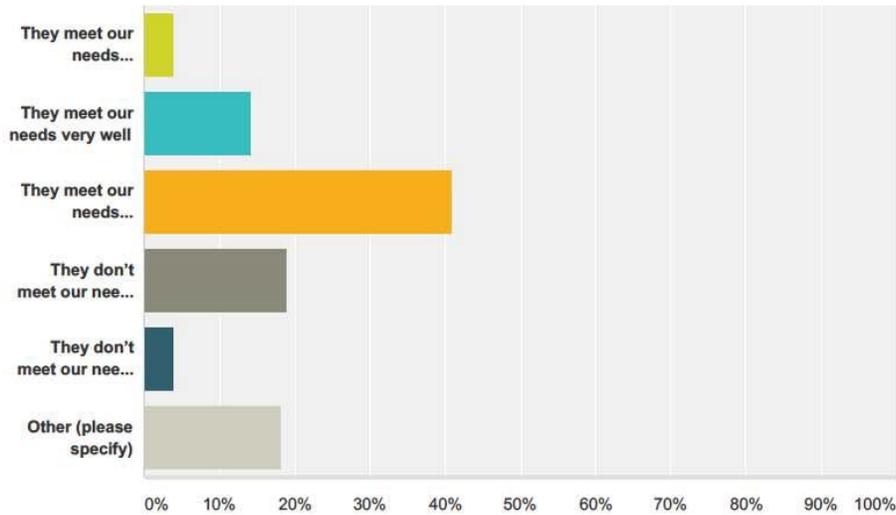


Answer Choices	Responses
Monday through Friday	39.68% 50
Saturday	27.78% 35
Sunday	19.84% 25
Days vary depending on circumstances	64.29% 81
Total Respondents: 126	

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Q9 Do nearby parks and recreation facilities meet you and/or your family's recreation needs?

Answered: 127 Skipped: 37



Answer Choices	Responses
They meet our needs completely	3.94% 5
They meet our needs very well	14.17% 18
They meet our needs adequately	40.94% 52
They don't meet our needs very well	18.90% 24
They don't meet our needs at all	3.94% 5
Other (please specify)	18.11% 23
Total	127

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Messing er park could use updating Some of the equipment looks 30 years old dangerous and practically in the backyards of the new homes there Angell park is under construction and now unavailable Also it seems there are a ton of dogs in Berkley but no dog park	12/9/2015 8 41 PM
2	tot lot needs more shade rogers playground needs updated like all of the other schools (it is over 25 years old)	11/16/2015 3 29 PM
3	They are great except Angel park bigger kids play baseball on the field hitting balls over the fence damaging houses and putting other's safety in jeopardy	11/12/2015 9 54 AM
4	Special Needs swings	11/10/2015 10 29 PM
5	am new to the area so am unsure	11/10/2015 4 54 PM
6	Angell park play structure needs to be fixed	11/10/2015 4 05 PM
7	There is no descent park in the 11 mile to Catalpa area Oxford Park is to far for residents living near Kipling	11/10/2015 9 55 AM
8	limited experience as we have no kids but the community center is adequate for us	11/9/2015 12 02 PM



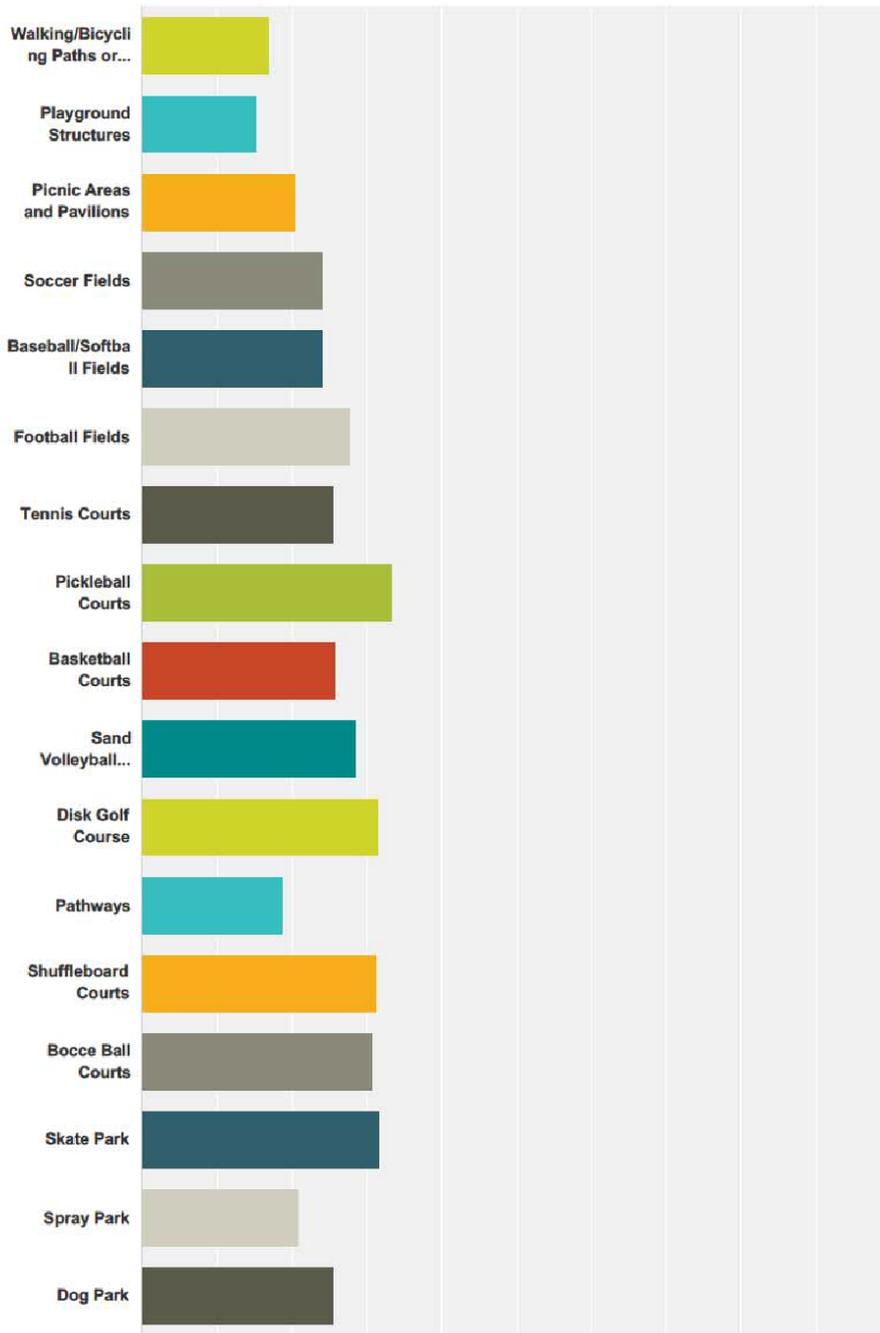
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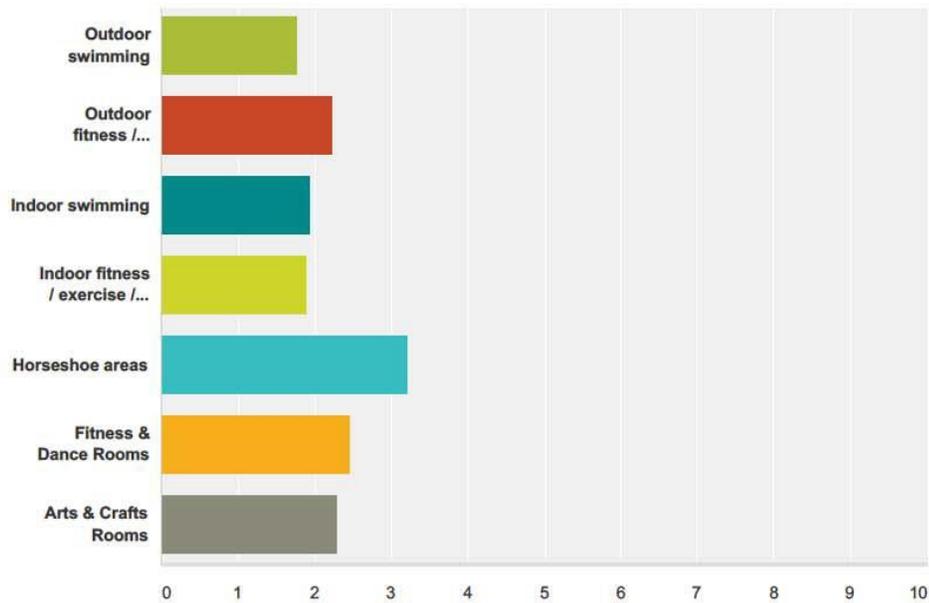
Q10 What types of recreation facilities should be considered for future park development? Please mark on a scale of 1 to 4 where 1 is very important and 4 is not important.

Answered: 126 Skipped: 38





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	1 - Very important	2 - Important	3 - Neutral	4 - Not important	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
Walking/Bicycling Paths or Trails	56.67% 68	24.17% 29	12.50% 15	6.67% 8	0.00% 0	120	1.69
Playground Structures	62.18% 74	24.37% 29	9.24% 11	3.36% 4	0.84% 1	119	1.53
Picnic Areas and Pavilions	33.04% 38	34.78% 40	24.35% 28	6.96% 8	0.87% 1	115	2.05
Soccer Fields	14.68% 16	36.70% 40	36.70% 40	10.09% 11	1.83% 2	109	2.43
Baseball/Softball Fields	16.67% 18	31.48% 34	40.74% 44	9.26% 10	1.85% 2	108	2.43
Football Fields	7.69% 8	27.88% 29	43.27% 45	20.19% 21	0.96% 1	104	2.77
Tennis Courts	11.32% 12	32.08% 34	45.28% 48	10.38% 11	0.94% 1	106	2.55
Pickleball Courts	0.98% 1	8.82% 9	42.16% 43	41.18% 42	6.86% 7	102	3.33
Basketball Courts	10.38% 11	32.08% 34	43.40% 46	12.26% 13	1.89% 2	106	2.59
Sand Volleyball Courts	10.91% 12	20.00% 22	39.09% 43	27.27% 30	2.73% 3	110	2.85
Disk Golf Course	4.67% 5	15.89% 17	36.45% 39	39.25% 42	3.74% 4	107	3.15
Pathways	39.29% 44	39.29% 44	13.39% 15	7.14% 8	0.89% 1	112	1.88
Shuffleboard Courts	5.61% 6	13.08% 14	40.19% 43	36.45% 39	4.67% 5	107	3.13

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Bocce Ball courts	7.55% 8	14.15% 15	39.62% 42	34.91% 37	3.77% 4	106	3 06
Water park	2.86% 3	16.19% 17	40.00% 42	38.10% 40	2.86% 3	105	3 17
Playground	39.64% 44	21.62% 24	21.62% 24	12.61% 14	4.50% 5	111	2 08
Open areas	28.18% 31	17.27% 19	24.55% 27	28.18% 31	1.82% 2	110	2 54
Indoor sports	51.67% 62	23.33% 28	13.33% 16	8.33% 10	3.33% 4	120	1 78
Indoor fitness (exercise) sports facilities	29.46% 33	32.14% 36	22.32% 25	15.18% 17	0.89% 1	112	2 23
Indoor sports	42.86% 51	29.41% 35	14.29% 17	11.76% 14	1.68% 2	119	1 95
Indoor fitness (exercise) sports facilities	38.60% 44	40.35% 46	11.40% 13	8.77% 10	0.88% 1	114	1 90
Open areas	2.83% 3	12.26% 13	40.57% 43	37.74% 40	6.60% 7	106	3 21
Fitness @ Open Space	17.27% 19	33.64% 37	28.18% 31	16.36% 18	4.55% 5	110	2 46
Courts @ Open Space	19.81% 21	39.62% 42	28.30% 30	10.38% 11	1.89% 2	106	2 30

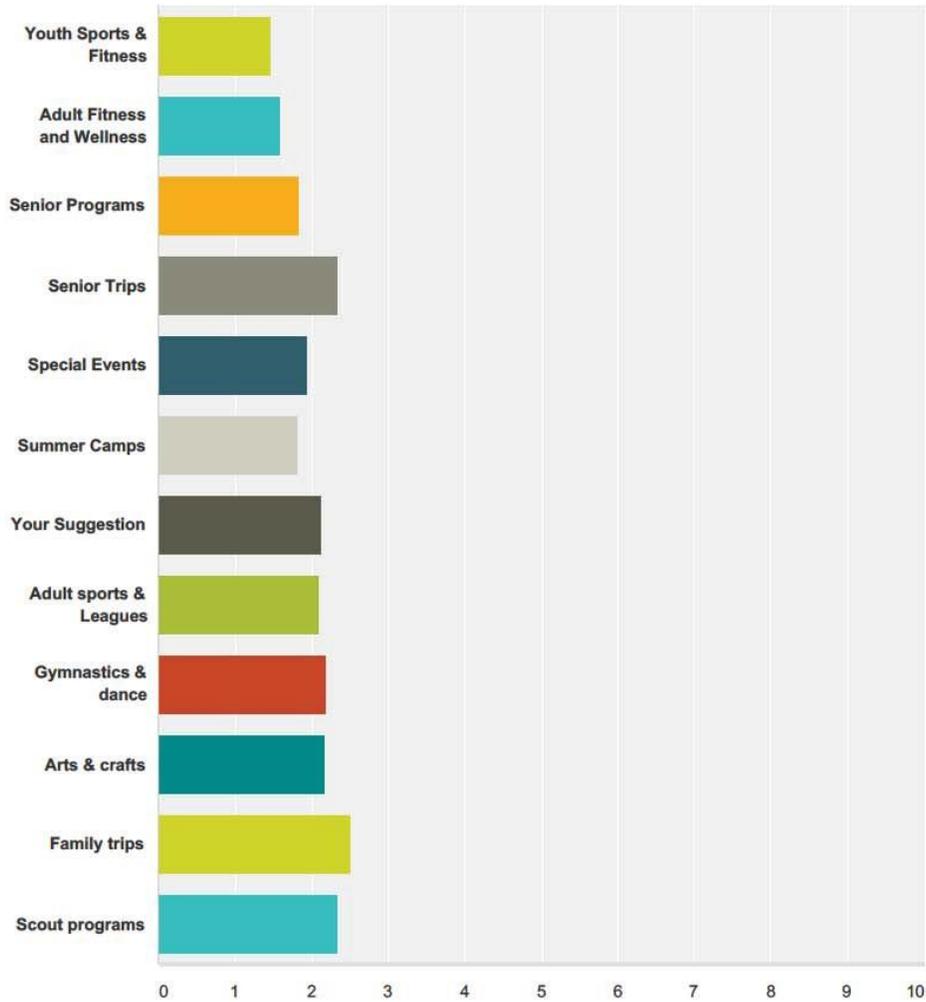
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8	Water park	10/31/2015 8:21.63
9	Water park	10/31/2015 1:35.63
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13	Water park	10/30/2015 4:52.3



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Q11 What types of recreation programs should be considered? Please mark on a scale of 1 to 4 where 1 is very important and 4 is not important.

Answered: 118 Skipped: 46



	1 - Very important	2 - Important	3 - Neutral	4 - Not important	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
Youth Sports & Fitness	66.37% 75	23.01% 26	6.19% 7	3.54% 4	0.88% 1	113	1.46
Adult Fitness and Wellness	50.89% 57	41.96% 47	4.46% 5	2.68% 3	0.00% 0	112	1.59
Senior Programs	39.64% 44	35.14% 39	18.92% 21	2.70% 3	3.60% 4	111	1.84
Senior Trips	18.10% 19	33.33% 35	35.24% 37	7.62% 8	5.71% 6	105	2.34



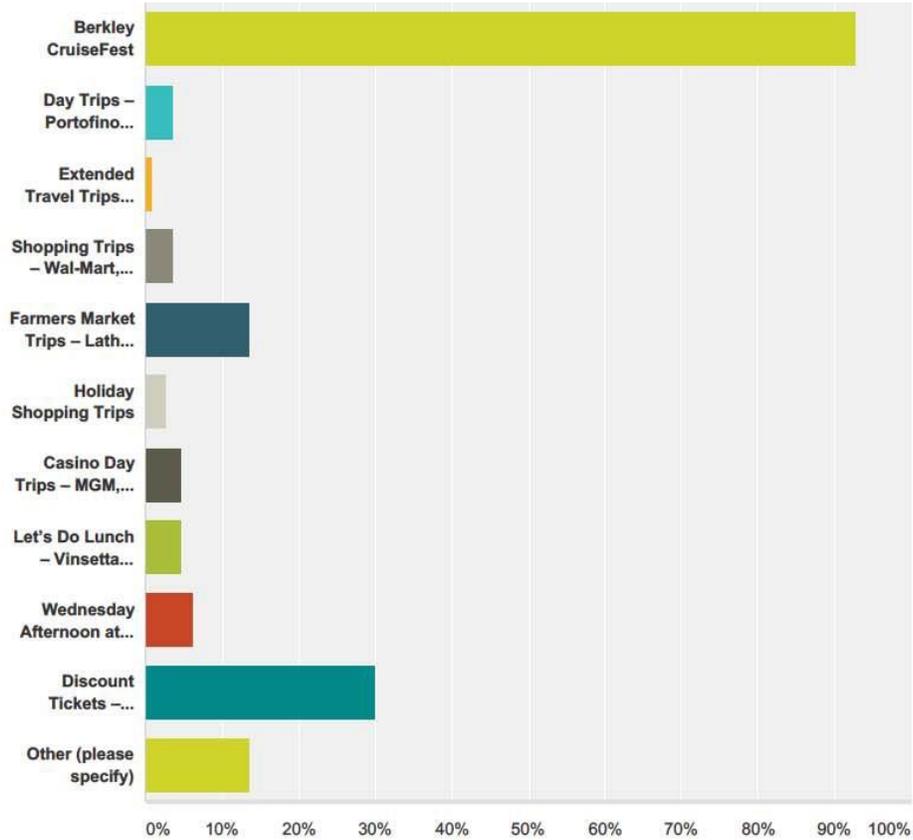
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**Q12 Which of the following City sponsored events do you attend / participate in?
Choose all that apply.**

Answered: 110 Skipped: 54



Answer Choices	Responses
Berkley CruiseFest	92.73% 102
Day Trips Portofino Friendship Cruise Huron Lady Saugatuck Deutsch Detroit Fall Color Tour	3.64% 4
Extended Travel Trips Shades of reland Country Rhythm & Blues Reflections of italy	0.91% 1
Shopping Trips Wal Mart Great Lakes Crossing Oakland Mall Target	3.64% 4
Farmers Market Trips Lathrup Village Royal Oak Beaumont	13.64% 15
Holiday Shopping Trips	2.73% 3
Casino Day Trips MGM Soaring Eagle GreekTown MotorCity	4.55% 5
Let's Do Lunch Vinsetta Garage Carrabba's Loui's Pizza	4.55% 5
Wednesday Afternoon at the Movies	6.36% 7
Discount Tickets Detroit Zoo Detroit Red Wings	30.00% 33



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Q13 Do you have any other comments or concerns regarding city sponsored special events?

Number of Responses: 36 / Total Comments: 128

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17	,o	11/5/2015 9:51:3
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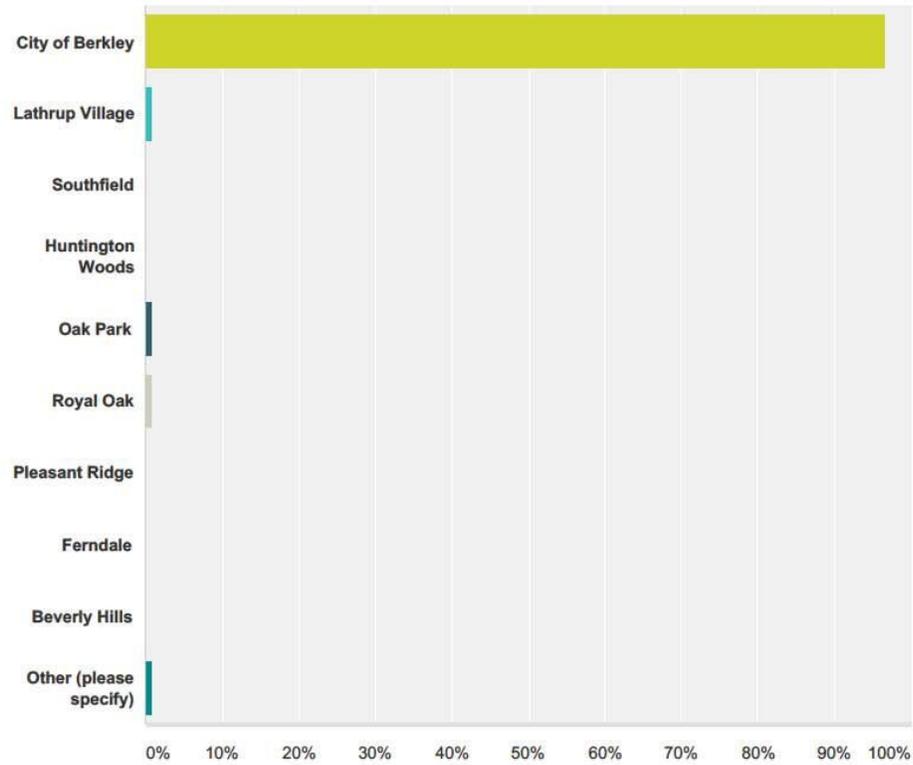
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Q14 Where do you live?

Answered: 122 Skipped: 42



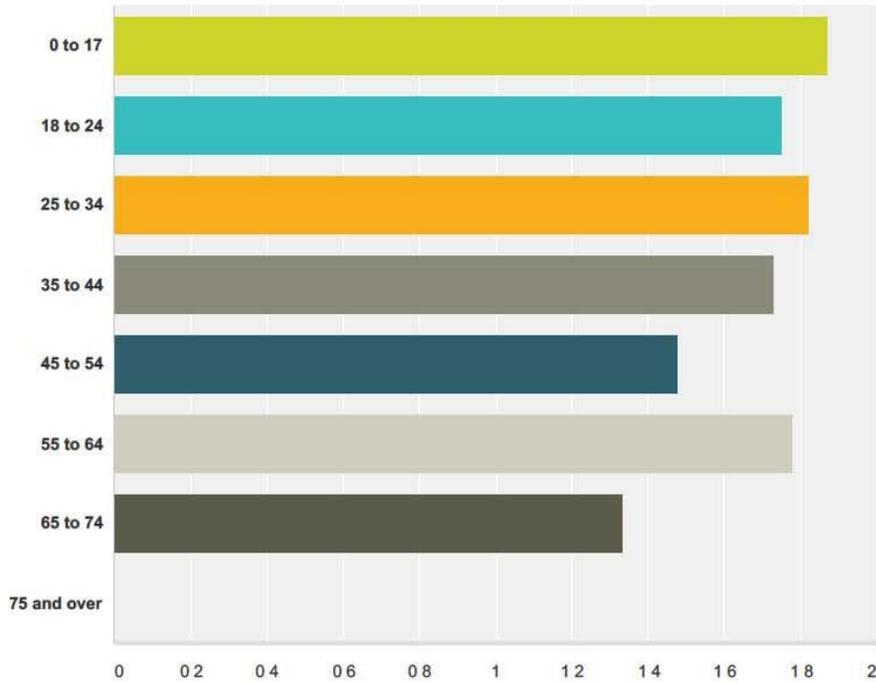
Answer Choices	Responses
City of Berkley	96.72% 118
Lathrup Village	0.82% 1
Southfield	0.00% 0
Huntington Woods	0.00% 0
Oak Park	0.82% 1
Royal Oak	0.82% 1
Pleasant Ridge	0.00% 0
Ferndale	0.00% 0
Beverly Hills	0.00% 0
Other (please specify)	0.82% 1
Total	122

#	Other (please specify)	Date
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Q15 What are the ages of people living in your household?

Answered: 121 Skipped: 43

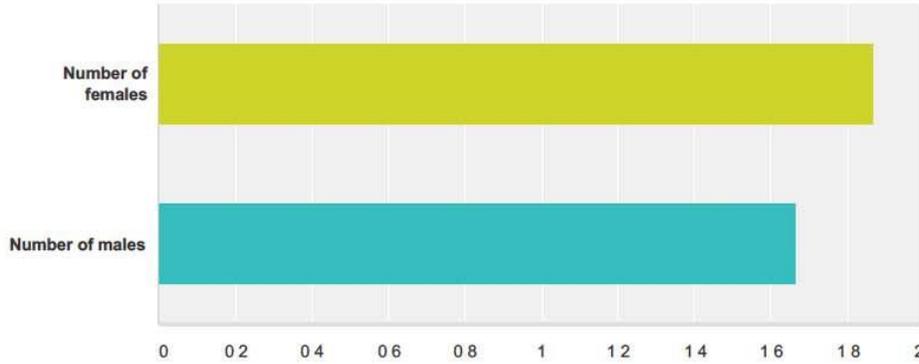


	1 member	2 members	3 members	4 members	More than 4 members	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
0 to 17	31.25% 30	46.88% 45	15.63% 15	0.00% 0	1.04% 1	5.21% 5	96	1.87
18 to 24	29.41% 5	5.88% 1	5.88% 1	5.88% 1	0.00% 0	52.94% 9	17	1.75
25 to 34	18.37% 9	69.39% 34	2.04% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	10.20% 5	49	1.82
35 to 44	26.23% 16	62.30% 38	1.64% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	9.84% 6	61	1.73
45 to 54	41.94% 13	38.71% 12	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	19.35% 6	31	1.48
55 to 64	12.50% 2	43.75% 7	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	43.75% 7	16	1.78
65 to 74	28.57% 4	14.29% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	57.14% 8	14	1.33
75 and over	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	100.00% 8	8	0.00

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Q16 What is the gender breakdown in your household?

Answered: 118 Skipped: 46



Answer Choices	Average Number	Total Number	Responses
Number of females	2	220	118
Number of males	2	185	111
Total Respondents: 118			

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3	2	12/10/2015 9 56 AM
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5	1	12/9/2015 8 45 PM
6	2	12/9/2015 3 51 PM
7	2	12/9/2015 11 58 AM
8	3	12/8/2015 10 02 PM
9	2	12/8/2015 5 42 PM
10	2	12/3/2015 12 17 PM
11	2	11/29/2015 10 43 AM
12	3	11/25/2015 2 33 PM
13	1	11/24/2015 11 44 AM
14	3	11/17/2015 8 04 AM
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Q17 Thank you for completing the survey! If you would like to be kept informed about the Berkley Parks and Recreation Department, please enter your contact information below and you will be added to our mailing list. Otherwise, click "Done" to exit the survey.

Answered: 42 Skipped: 122

Answer Choices	Responses	
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Address 2	2.38%	1
City/Town	95.24%	40
State/Province	92.86%	39
Z P/Postal Code	92.86%	39
Country	0.00%	0
Email Address	95.24%	40
Phone Number	52.38%	22

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2	Megan T [REDACTED]	12/10/2015 9 56 AM
3	Andrew	12/9/2015 3 52 PM
4	tom [REDACTED]	12/8/2015 10 02 PM
5	Robert [REDACTED]	11/29/2015 10 44 AM
6	Brian [REDACTED]	11/17/2015 8 04 AM
7	Brad [REDACTED]	11/16/2015 1 05 PM
8	Kathleen [REDACTED]	11/16/2015 9 29 AM
9	Mark and Kathy [REDACTED]	11/15/2015 10 11 AM
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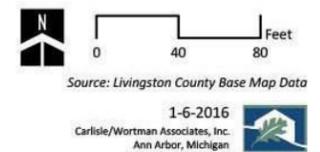


- Existing Amenities:
- A: Baseball field w bench dugouts
 - B: Tennis courts
 - C: Swings
 - D: Basketball court
 - E: Climbing & play structures*
 - F: Picnic facilities

* upgraded in spring 2016



Angell Park
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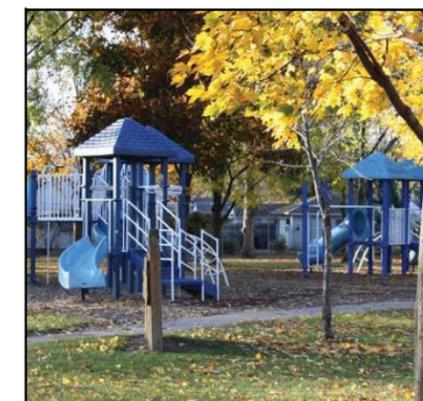
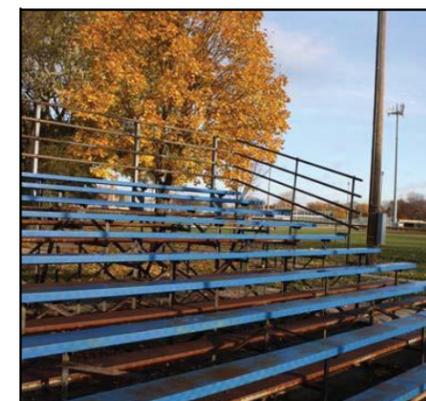
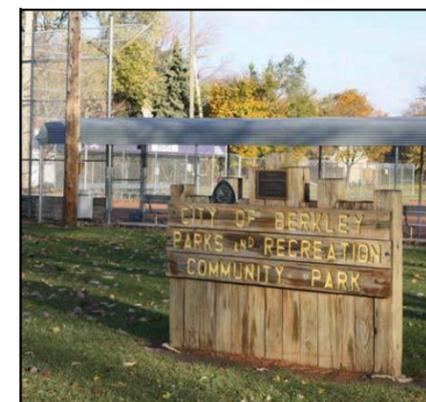


Existing Amenities:

- A: Community Center
- B: Senior Center
- C: Recreation Department
- D: Ice Arena
- E: Baseball fields w/dugouts & bleachers
- F: Tennis courts
- G: Horseshoe pits
- H: Play/climbing equipment
- I: Parking
- J: Concession stand

Proposed Amenities/Improvements:

- COMMUNITY CENTER & ICE ARENA
- K: Improve lighting
- L: Resurface parking lots
- M: Renovate bathrooms
- N: Add storage facility
- O: New fire suppression system
- P: Address roofing / HVAC needs
- Q: Replace ice coolant system
- R: Convert building to all-season facility
- S: Update lighting at fields #2 & 3



**Community Park
Community Center
Ice Arena**

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Source: Livingston County Base Map Data

1-6-2016
Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc.
Ann Arbor, Michigan





Existing Amenities:

- A: Picnic pavilion
- B: Picnic facilities/
grills
- C: Play
structure
- D: Swing set
- E: Parking

Proposed Amenities/Improvements:

- F: Restore pavilion
- G: Add lighting
- H: Update grill facilities
- I: Upgrade playground equipment
- J: Install permanent bathroom facilities



Jaycee Park

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Oakland County



Source: Livingston County Base Map Data

1-6-2016
Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc.
Ann Arbor, Michigan





Existing Amenities:

- A: Swings
- B: Play/climbing structures
- C: Picnitable
- D: Drinking fountain
- E: Little library

Proposed Amenities/Improvements:

- F: Permanent bathroom facilities
- G: Upgrade play equipment



Kiwanis Tot Lot

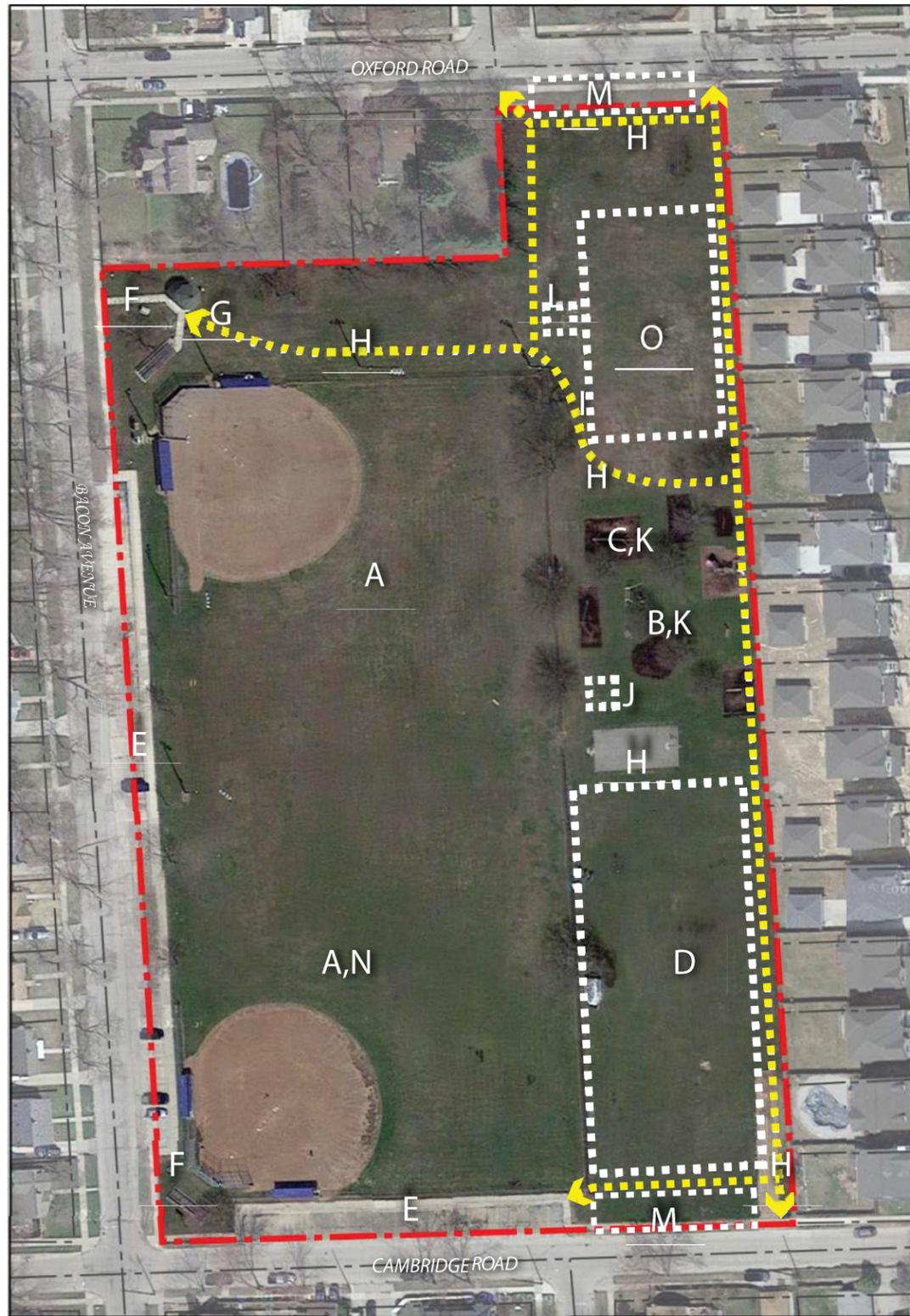
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Existing Amenities:

- A: Baseball field w/ bleachers & dugouts
- B: Playstructure
- C: Swing set
- D: Open area/soccer/practicefield
- E: Parking
- F: Drinkingfountains
- G: Concession area
- H: Basketballcourt

Proposed Amenities/Improvements:

- I: Walkingtrail
- J: Storagefacility
- K: Newplayequipment
- L: Permanent restroom
- M: Additional/reconfigured parking
- N: Lighting for field#1
- O: Splash pad

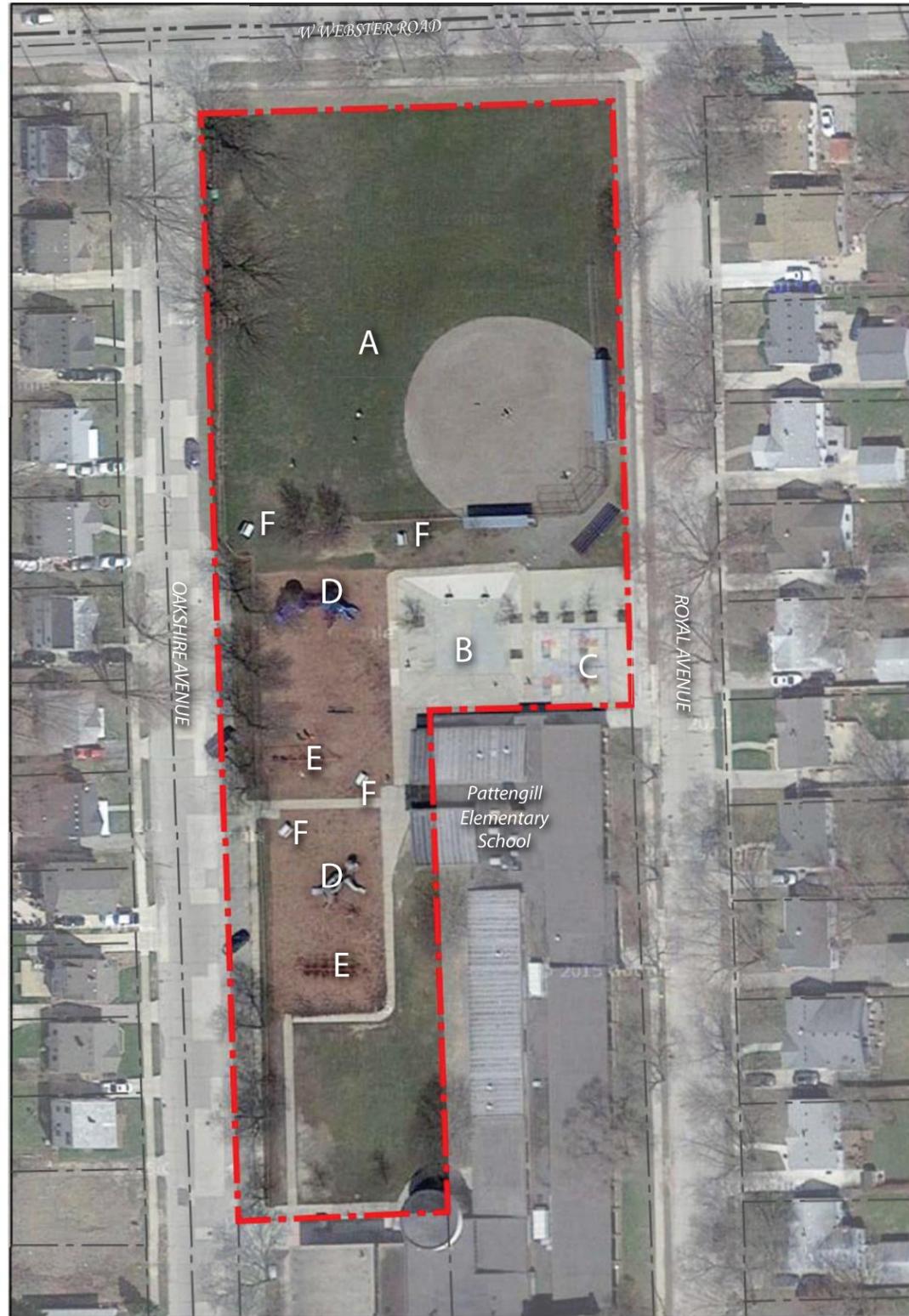


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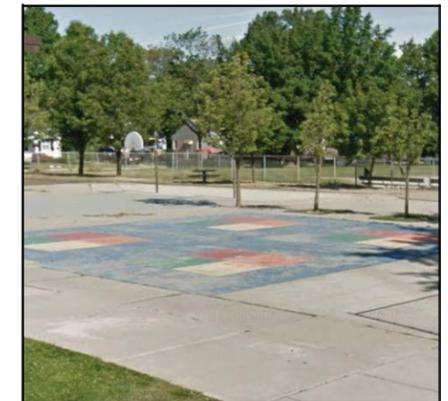
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- Existing Amenities:
- A: Baseball field w/dugout & bleachers
 - B: Basketball half-courts
 - C: Four-square court
 - D: Climbing structures
 - E: Swings
 - F: Picnictables



Pattengill Park

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Existing Amenities:

- A: Baseball field w/dugouts & bleachers
- B: Tennis courts
- C: Play structures
- D: Swing sets
- E: Basketball half-courts
- F: Parking*
- G: Drinking fountain
- H: Benches

*Rogers Park parking lot available during non-school hours only



Rogers Park
Lazenby Field
Oxford Towers Park

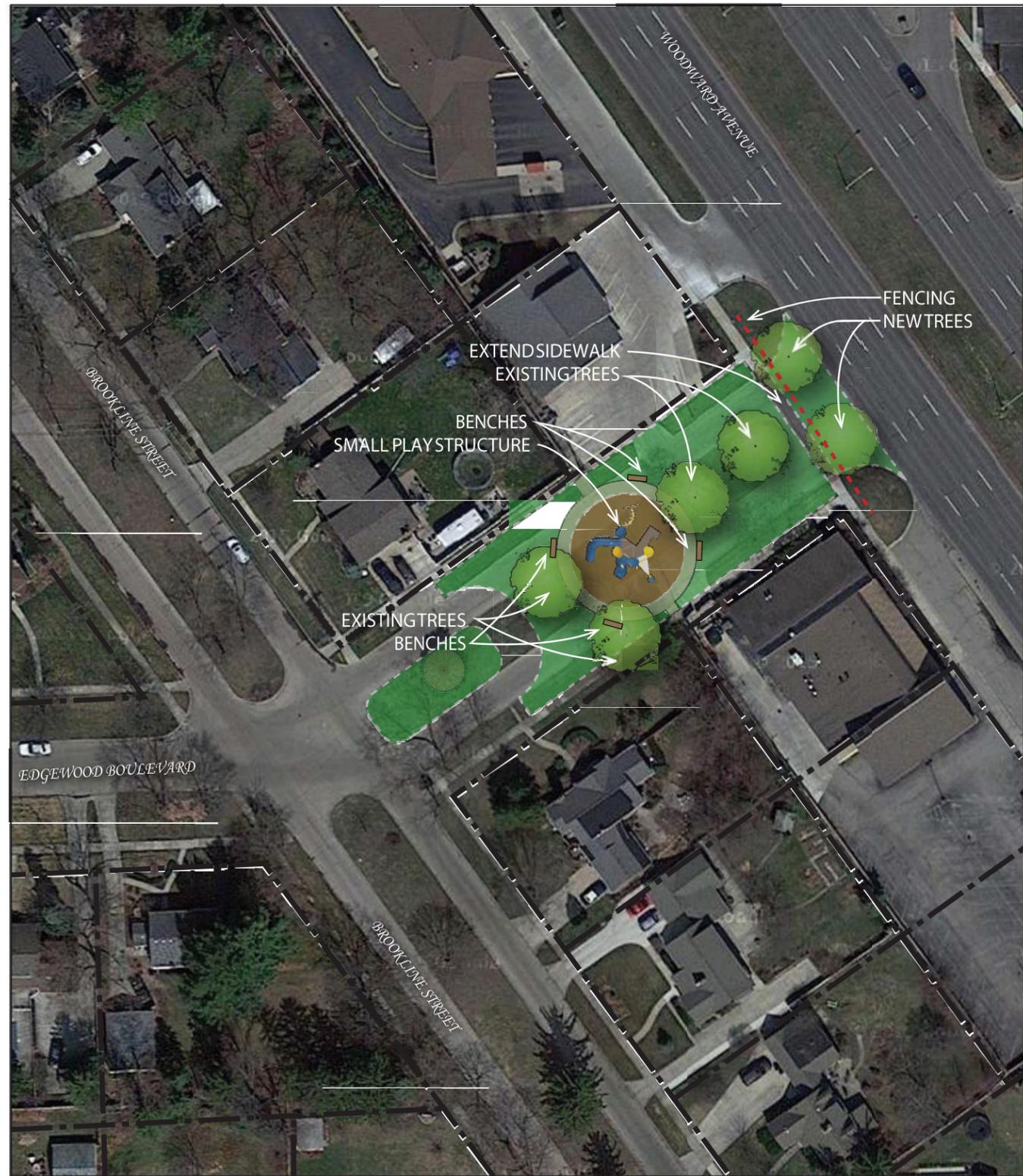
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Proposed Park Plans





PROPOSED PROJECT SCOPE:

For this proposed park, Edgewood Boulevard, located on Berkeley's northeast side, would be closed between Brookline Street and Woodward Avenue. The resulting open space would be used to create a "tot lot" style park space or other form of community park.

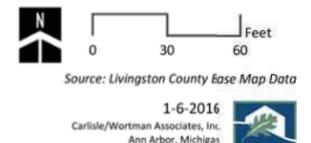
If the City chooses to pursue this project, it will need to work closely with adjacent neighbors, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), and other stakeholders to ensure all pertinent address all questions and concerns are addressed.

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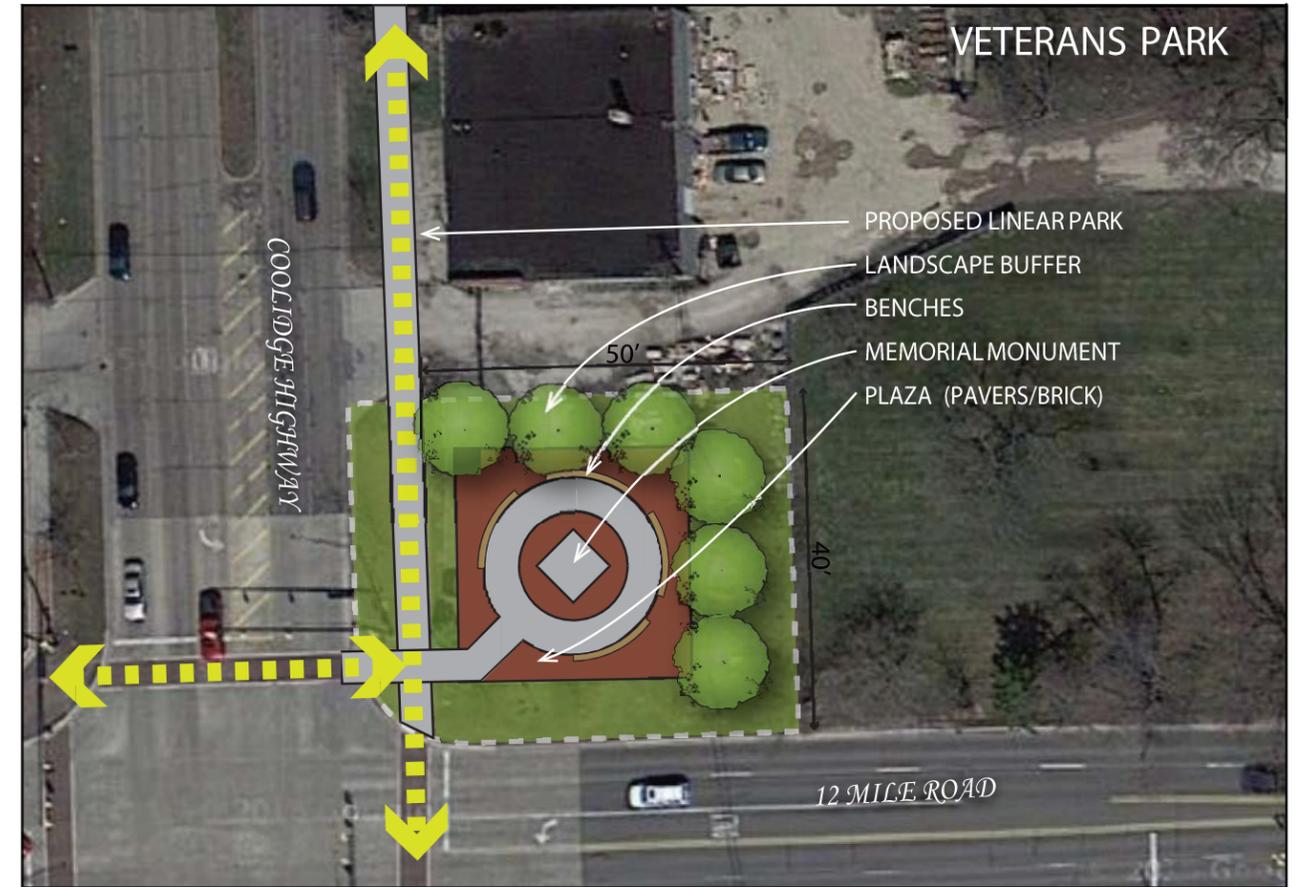
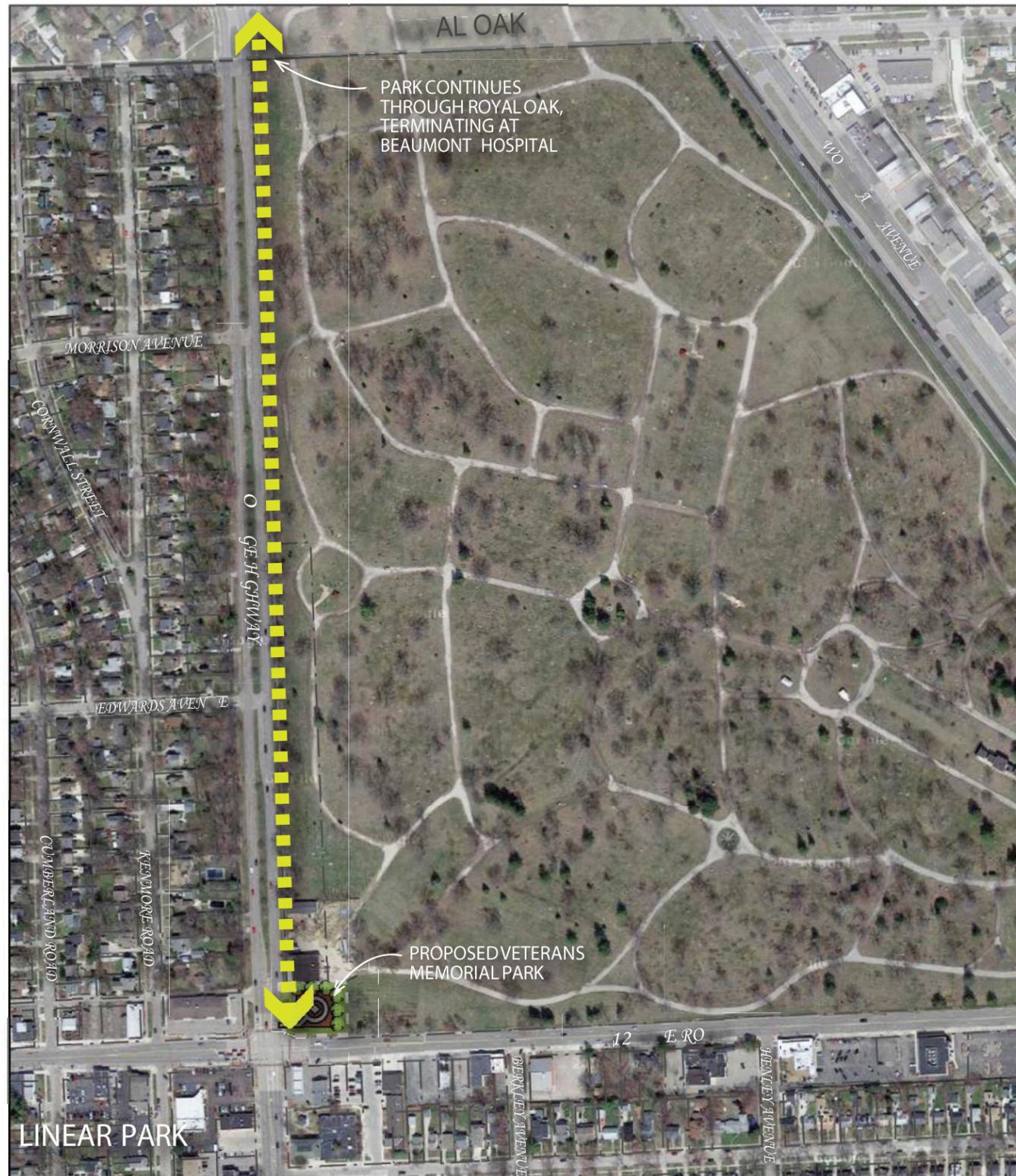
The project fills a need for park space on the City's east side. Participants at the Recreation Master Plan Community Input meeting and survey participants indicated a strong desire for the park.

Proposed Edgewood Park

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PROPOSED LINEAR PARK

A 10 foot wide paved shared-use path is proposed to run from the intersection of 12 Mile Road and Coolidge Highway. The trail may include amenities including benches, drinking fountains, bike maintenance stations, bike racks, and the like.

PROPOSED VETERANS PARK

A small (approximately 2,000 square feet) memorial park is proposed for the southwest corner of Roseland Park Cemetery. The park would consist of a memorial monument, seating, and a landscape buffer which would both help to screen the park from the adjacent cemetery and provide shade in summer months.

PARTNERSHIP & STAKEHOLDER OPPORTUNITIES

For both projects, it will be important that the City work closely with Roseland Park Cemetery representatives to ensure that the parks are consistent with the Cemetery's operational goals, and that they conform to the historical and cultural precedents established by the Cemetery.

For the linear park, Berkley should look to partner with the City of Royal Oak and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to develop the park. Grant opportunities may be available through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF), the Recreation Passport Grant Program, Oakland County, and MDOT.

**Roseland Park Cemetery
Proposed Veterans Park &
Proposed Linear Park**

City of Berkley
Oakland County

