



City of Pullman Parks & Recreation 2008 Five Year Plan





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Introduction

The City of Pullman boasts more than 100 acres of parkland and 8 miles of city trails and paths that link to the 7 mile Bill Chipman Palouse Trail which runs between the cities of Pullman, Washington and Moscow, Idaho.

The \$1,050,000 Downtown Riverwalk project was completed in 2006 and is the newest link to beckon walkers to Pullman Trails and Pathways. This project was funded by donations from present and former members of the Pullman community, businesses, and a \$340,000 WA Wildlife and Recreation Coalition grant. This completed the trail connection from the locally funded 1999 Proposition 1 Koppel Farm Trail, which was an inner city expansion of the Bill Chipman Palouse Trail. In 2007 the citizens of Pullman passed a new \$2,250,000 Proposition No. 1 initiative for improvements to parks and paths. The additional trail expansion adds a Maple Street Extension linking campus to the downtown, a Palouse Highway addition linking the Military Hill area to the existing system and a Johnson Road connection adding pedestrian ways to housing developments to the southeast.

Recent developments to parkland include Terre View Park on Military Hill in 2003, Petry Park along the City Trail and Pathways in 2005 and the development of Itani Park on Sunnyside Hill which began in 2006 and will continue through 2009. The Pullman Aquatic and Fitness Center construction was fully funded by a private donation from Mary and Ed Schweitzer; it opened to the public in 2000. The facility was donated to the Pullman School District and built at Military Hill Park on grounds dedicated for park use; a joint City of Pullman and Pullman School District IAC funded project in the early 1970's. The pool is operated by the City of Pullman through an inter-local agreement. A Metropolitan Park District was established by voter approval in 2002 creating a continuous funding source for Parks and Recreation programs and development. 2007 Proposition No. 1 provided for improvements to restrooms at Kruegel Park, Sunnyside Park and City Playfields, and funding for a complete lighting renovation of the ball field complex at the City Playfields.

The Pullman School District is a significant partner in community access to recreational facilities. School playgrounds, gymnasiums and athletic fields are used for sponsored recreation division programs throughout the city. In 1990, the City of Pullman provided partial funding to enlarge the gymnasium at Sunnyside Elementary School in exchange for community access during non-school use. After constructing a new elementary school on Pioneer Hill in 1998, the School District offered half of the old Franklin Elementary School to the City for use as a community center. The City remodeled the 1957 portion of the building into the 8,000-square-foot Pioneer Community Center, which opened to the public in 2000; this has enabled the Recreation Division to increase the number of recreational activities offered to the Pullman community.

Washington State University (WSU) has also been a partner in community access to recreation facilities having participated in the Washington State Games, Cougar Plaza mini-park and the extension of the Bill Chipman Palouse Trail. In 2002 WSU completed construction of a \$54,000,000 state-of-the-art Student Recreation Center. At 150,000 square feet; the center offers cardio and weight equipment, seven courts for basketball, volleyball and badminton, roller hockey, indoor soccer, floor hockey, and inline skating, four racquetball courts, 5-lane lap pool, leisure pool, 53-person spa, activity rooms, elevated 4-lane running/walking track, and more. Community access is restricted to students, faculty and alumni for a fee.

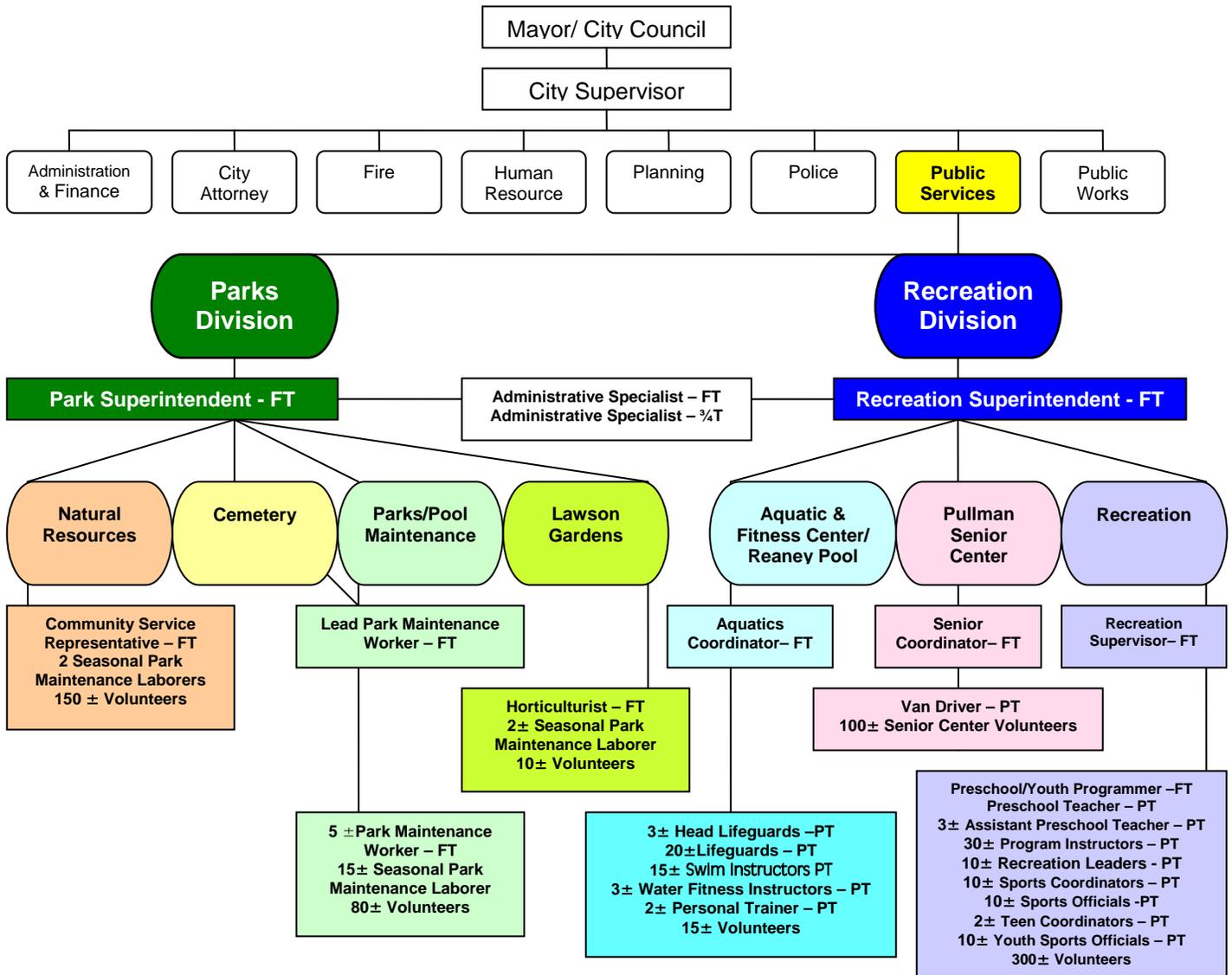
Operations Section I



Existing Operations

The organizational structure of the City of Pullman government directs the management of the parks and recreation services. The city has eight separate departments that provide services to Pullman residents. Each of the departments reports to the City Supervisor, who in turn reports to the Mayor and City Council.

Parks and Recreation services are grouped under the Public Services Department. In 2002 the City Council decided to leave the department head position vacant as a cost-saving measure. As a result the Park Superintendent and the Recreation Superintendent were directed to manage their respective divisions. Below is the present organizational chart for Public Services.



Responsibilities of Parks & Recreation

The Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for implementing the City Council's goals and objectives by providing the citizens of Pullman with parks, green spaces, and recreational services.

- **Parks:** The division is under the guidance of the Park Superintendent, and is responsible for the day-to-day activities of the parks division. The parks division is to maintain and monitor general upkeep of 14 parks, numerous green spaces (Well 7, Cougar Plaza, Pine Street Mall, etc.), 3 city cemeteries, city trees, rv park, weed control, and the City trail and pathways system. This division also works with the Community on compliance of city ordinances regarding solid waste, nuisance, weed control, and diseased trees.

The parks division is responsible for:

- Maintaining baseball and softball fields
 - Installation of new playground equipment, cutting, trimming, and weeding public shrubs and flower beds
 - Planting and maintaining downtown flower baskets
 - Trash and litter pickup in parks and public rights-a-way
 - Installing, repairing and maintaining picnic tables, benches, signs, playgrounds and other equipment
 - Aeration, fertilization, irrigation of turf, spraying lawn areas for weed control, spraying and fertilizing trees and evergreens for insect control, disease and proper feeding
 - Assisting with burials at city cemeteries
 - Repairing and maintaining park facilities
 - Working with city and civic groups on city celebrations such as 4th of July and Lentil Festival
 - Pool maintenance for Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center and Reaney Pool
 - Working with civic groups such as the Pullman Civic Trust, Grand Avenue Greenway Committee, etc.
 - Community improvement (code enforcement)
 - The Park Superintendent is also extensively involved in design and construction of park improvement projects.
- **Recreation:** The division is under the guidance of the Recreation Superintendent, who is responsible for all matters pertaining to the administrative and professional duties involved in planning, developing and directing recreation programs and facilities for the Pullman community.

The recreation division is responsible for:

- Adult programs, e.g. art, dance, fitness, karate, outdoor recreation
- Adult sports, e.g. basketball, softball, golf, tennis, volleyball
- Aquatics, e.g. lifeguard training, swim lessons, special programs, water fitness

- Fitness facilities, operation of the fitness room at the Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center
- Pools, staffing for the cities seasonal outdoor pool
- Preschool activities, e.g. Pullman Park & Recreation Preschool, summer camps, special holiday programs, etc.
- Teen activities, e.g. rafting, drama, trips, and other activities of interest to teens
- Senior and active adult activities e.g. computer classes, art, day trips, overnight trips, along with the day-to-day running of the Pullman Senior Center
- Youth Activities, e.g. art, dance, theater, personal safety, and other general youth programs
- Youth Sports Activities, e.g. basketball, flag football, golf, rookie league, soccer, wrestling, mini-hoops, pee wee soccer, summer sports camps, t-ball, tennis, volleyball
- Working with city and civic groups on city celebrations such as the Summer Concerts in the Park, Egg Hunt, Halloween Carnival, 4th of July and Lentil Festival.

2002 Plan Review

Section II



2002 Five Year Plan Review

PARKS: Goals & Objectives Review

Short Term Goal: Improve existing park facilities.

Objectives: Continue to expand Lawson Gardens.

Staff has completed the first installment of the stream bed improvements. A contract will be awarded in the summer of 2008 to complete the stream bed through the park to handle natural spring, well and runoff waters. The entrance paths and Terrace Garden graveled paths (Alvin Chandler Memorial Walk) will be improved with the installation of brick pavers under City Contract No. 08-07.



Upgrade or replace playground equipment at Harrison Tot Lot, Kruegel Park and Military Hill Park.

Scouts refurbished by painting and repairing all the existing play equipment at Kruegel Park. Staff installed a new climbing structure at Kruegel Park, a new Tug boat play apparatus in Harrison Tot Lot, and revamped the Military Hill playground including a “max-mixer” play structure, a rock climbing element, swing set, and jump pads. Staff also installed a new swing set at Terre View Park.

Construct an outdoor spray pool at Reaney Park.

Several plans were developed, but funding has been unavailable. Once funded, a Reaney Park and Pool Master Plan will address the future pool and park needs.

Replace or recondition the picnic shelter at Kruegel Park.

Scouts took on the project of painting and reconditioning the existing structure several years ago. In May 2007, the City of Pullman’s Capital Improvement Committee, with an endorsement of the Parks & Recreation Commission, agreed to set-aside Metro Park dollars on an annual basis to be applied to the construction of a new facility.

Upgrade restroom facilities at Kruegel Park, Reaney Park, Sunnyside Park and City Playfield.

2007 Proposition 1 included the construction of new restrooms at City Playfield, Kruegel and Sunnyside Park. Reaney Park restrooms were put on hold pending the development of a Reaney Park and Pool Master Plan.

Expand the City's existing recreational vehicle park and build a facility to provide showers and restrooms for recreational vehicle park users.

The city has met with local owners to express an interest in the adjacent land required for expansion. Public Works awarded a contract to improve the current sewer system and the Parks Division has worked with Washington State University civil engineering students to develop plans for a shower/restroom facility.

Short Term Goal: Cooperate with local organizations to enhance transportation corridors in the community.

Staff continues to serve on the Palouse Chipman Trail Committee, having served as Secretary, Vice-President and most recently President. The city has made accommodations for storage of trail equipment and continues to work on efforts to plow sections of a trail that has become a year-round alternative commuter corridor.

Coordinate with the Pullman Civic Trust and other local organizations to improve the community's pedestrian paths and to establish connections within pathway corridors.

City staff worked with Pullman Civic Trust to promote the passage of the 2007 Proposition 1, funding improvements for parks and paths. The vast support of the community made possible the construction of new paths, restrooms, and ballfield lighting at City Playfield. City staff has also met with Washington State Department of Transportation representatives, expressing our interest in the possible abandonment of the Union Pacific line as an additional path possibility.

Coordinate with the Grand Avenue Greenway Committee, local merchants, and other groups to beautify Grand Avenue and other major thoroughfares in the community through landscaping and other means.

The Grand Avenue Committee to date has raised \$67,108 and had a carryover of \$32,929 into 2008 dedicated to improvements along the north-south corridor. A number of projects have been completed to date; new raised planter beds, hanging baskets, the addition of the Mayors' grove, Kiwanis Park, Neill Public Library improvements, the WSU Presidents' Grove, and the Well 7 greenspace. The WSU Landscape and Architecture Design Studio created and presented plans to local organizations for future development north of Stadium Way.

Long term Goal: Establish and implement level of service standards for Parks & Recreation facilities in the community.

Objectives: Adopt formal levels of service standards, in keeping with the expressed needs of the community, to guide the development and maintenance of parks and recreation facilities.

Through the city's "budget by objective" format service standards are set and reviewed. Staff monitors actual costs and man-hours of maintenance activities for parks and facilities and adjusts during the yearly budget process to address changes due to public input, city-wide goal setting and direction

from the Parks & Recreation Commission. Capital planning projects are reviewed and prioritized on a city-wide basis yearly.

As community growth occurs, work with real estate developers to provide facilities in accordance with adopted level of service standards.

Recent examples include the donations of Itani Park, Terre View Park, Petry Park and the Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center. Staff continues to work with the Planning Department by providing comment on each new development and how that addition will blend with and link to the existing park system.

RECREATION: Goals & Objectives Review

Short Term Goal: Implement diverse recreation programs.

Objectives: Program development in new areas for the City of Pullman community.

The Recreation department has been very active in pursuing new partnerships with other agencies in the City of Pullman and in the surrounding communities to offer new programs. The implementation of new programs included:

- **WSU Athletics:** Athletes' assistance with Punt, Pass & Kick competition, Parks & Recreation youth teams scrimmage at halftime of men's & women's basketball games.
- **Washington Recreation & Park Association:** Offer the following skills competitions – Basketball HotSpot; Baseball Pitch, Hit & Run; Soccer Challenge; and Football Punt, Pass & Kick.
- **WSU Human Development Department:** Class projects include additions to the Pioneer Center playground, Kruegel Park Art Studio renovation, and Spring Street Skate Park revitalization.
- **YMCA @WSU:** Offer cooperative teen programs and summer day camps.
- **Pullman Soccer Club:** Cooperate to offer Futsal and British Soccer Camp.
- **Skyhawks Sports Academy:** Expanded sport camp offerings.
- **Pullman High School:** Work with high school coaches to offer camps for boys and girls basketball; volleyball; Jr. High football; and soccer.
- **National Alliance for Youth Sports:** Provide guidance and materials to train youth sport coaches, officials, parents.
- **Delta Gamma Sorority:** Co-Sponsor annual Halloween Carnival for over 200+ youth.
- **Moscow Parks & Recreation:** Offer combined youth softball; adult softball and basketball programs to expand league offerings.

Short Term Goal: Provide a more diverse program for youth.

Objectives: Develop and implement programs for teens in cooperation with the Public Schools, Police Department and community businesses.

Teen activity coordinators continue to work with Lincoln Middle School staff that supports Parks & Recreation through advertising programs in the monthly parent newsletter, e-mail weekly calendar of activities to parents, and in hosting teen activities in cooperation with the department. In 2006 and 2007 staff worked with the Lincoln Middle School leadership class to send several students to attend the National Youth Congress Retreat at Brooks Memorial State Park in Goldendale, WA.

In 2004-2006, received grant monies from Pullman Police Department to purchase prizes for the annual Boards & Blades Lentil Festival Skate Competition.

Local businesses in the Pullman community such as Zeppoz, restaurants, movie theatres, and the ice skating rink in Moscow are utilized to entertain teens.

Short Term Goal: Continue to provide Washington State University Sport Management & Department of Education students with hands on-experience and supplement full-time city staff.

Objectives: Develop and implement internship and practicum opportunities within appropriate departments at WSU.

Since 2002, 102 Washington State University Sport Management students have assisted Pullman Parks & Recreation youth sports programs by coaching, officiating or being a coordinator/on-site supervisor.

The Recreation Department has also worked with the Washington State University Center of Civic Engagement to provide community placement opportunities for WSU students. Students have been placed as volunteers in the parks division, preschool program, youth sports, teen program, special events, dance classes, summer camps, aquatics, and senior center. In addition to individual placements, Parks and Recreation has provided as a community placement for WSU groups such as sororities, Human Development 205 and Communication 235 classes for long-term volunteering/service learning projects.

Short Term Goal: Provide vocational aquatic classes for Pullman High School students.

Objectives: Develop and implement a curriculum with Pullman High School staff that meets the standards and educational needs of their students.

The Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center and Pullman High School continue to have a strong working relationship to offer several programs to high school students. PAFC provides instructors and PHS provides a certified teacher for one Physical Education class called hydro-fit; two days of lap swim curriculum and two days of water exercise curriculum.

Short Term Goal: Create a Metropolitan Park District.

Objectives: The creation of Metropolitan Park District would help support the operation of the Aquatic Center, Reaney Pool and Parks Maintenance.

On September 17, 2002 voters of Pullman approved Proposition 1, which called for the creation of a metropolitan park district. Voters agreed to a levy of 50 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Money generated by the creation of the district supports aquatics, recreation programs and parks maintenance. The ongoing levy is expected to generate over \$476,000 in 2008. As part of this levy, the Parks & Recreation department is able to utilize 10% of the funds for capital improvements such as new playground equipment, bleachers at ball fields, and fitness equipment and pool covers at for the Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center.

Long Term Goal: Continued support of financially disadvantaged population.

Objectives: Coordinating financial assistance through social service agencies.

The Care-to-Share fund, which was established over 20 years ago, continues to provide funds for children whose families are financially challenged. The fund, established through private donations, provides a 50% match in registration fees for children through age 17 who reside within the Pullman School District and whose family meets one of the following criteria: receive state income or energy assistance, receives food stamps, or the child receives free or reduced school lunches. Since 2006, the Care-to-Share Program has awarded 354 scholarships to individuals in need.

The Parks & Recreation department has gratefully received donations from the Pullman Child Welfare Association over the past couple of years, including \$1,500 in 2007, which allowed the department to provide 32 Reaney pool memberships to deserving youth in the community.

Long Term Goal: Develop a Community Center.

Objectives: Establish a Community Center to better meet the recreational needs of the community that are not currently being met due to increasing demand for indoor programs and resultant facility conflicts.

The development of a Community Center to serve the Pullman residents is still a need and high priority for the Parks & Recreation Department to pursue. Funding for a project of this magnitude will be a challenge, but the end result would be of enormous benefit to the community.

Executive Summary

Section III



Executive Summary

Pullman is different from other communities in a variety of ways, beginning with its foundation at the base of four large hills. Pullman has grown to encompass these hills, making the topography mostly sloped with very little flat land. Washington State University dominates the northeastern hill and is by far the largest employer in Pullman. The population of the city as estimated in 2006 by the State Office of Financial Management was 27,030, an increase of 8.3% over the 2000 Census, which estimated the population at 24,948. Population figures are expected to continue to increase at 1.8% per year, based on projections by the City of Pullman, Planning Department and the State Office of Financial Management. The economy of Pullman is most notably driven by government entities, (primarily Washington State University), trade center activities, a growing manufacturing and high-tech research sector and agriculture.

Recreation is clearly a priority to the WSU students who passed a student initiative to build one of the nation's largest Student Recreation Centers (SRC). The SRC includes seven gymnasiums, a large leisure pool and spa, an elevated quarter mile running track, several aerobic and conditioning rooms with state-of-the-art equipment and encompasses a total of 150,000 square feet. The student initiative levied \$54,000,000 in capital to be paid over the life of the bond and over \$1,000,000 in operating costs annually.

Development of recreation facilities is a priority for the general population of Pullman. In 1997, the passage of Proposition No. 1 and considerable private donations provided an additional 8 miles of paved trails, complete with furnishings. (appendix #2, pg 75) In 2006 with funds from private donations and a grant from IAC (now RCO, Recreation Conservation Office) the Downtown Riverwalk project was completed, which helped link the downtown area to the existing Pullman Trails and Pathways. In 2007 the citizens of Pullman passed an additional Proposition No. 1 totaling 2.24 million dollars for the purpose of constructing new restrooms at Kruegel Park, Sunnyside Park, and the City Playfields; new field lighting at the City Playfield complex; and additions to the trail system with expansion and completion of the Maple Street Extension, Palouse Highway, and Johnson Road trails.

The City's partnership with the Pullman School District has contributed significantly to the development of community access to recreational facilities. The City and the District have developed an inter-agency agreement for joint use of facilities. Examples of joint ventures between the two agencies include: the expansion of Sunnyside Elementary gymnasium (1995) to accommodate recreation use after school hours; development of Military Hill Park (1976) to serve the growing recreational needs of residents near the Pullman High School; and remodeling of the old Franklin Elementary School (2000) for use as a community center by the City of Pullman and the administrative offices of the Pullman School District.

Pullman's park system is largely comprised of land privately donated to the City over many years to provide parks and open space. While this method has resulted in an evenly distributed and varied system of parks, it cannot be expected that large, desirable land donations will occur in the future. The purpose of this plan is to identify desirable levels of service for Pullman, anticipate the probable growth areas, and proactively plan for park, recreation, and open space development.

The City of Pullman may consider park and recreation impact fees to newly proposed development to fund the future recreation needs within the City. This method would require developers to dedicate funds, property or in-kind value toward new facilities. Dedicated funds would be targeted to benefit the general area of the proposed development. The City of Moscow is the closest example of a city where recreation impact fees are mandatory for new development.

Recommendations Summary

Section IV



Recommendations Summary

The Parks & Recreation Department will be challenged over the next five years to meet increasing demands in growth for existing programs and to meet requests for new services. Continued growth in the park system will require additional resources to maintain park maintenance standards at approved service levels. Attention to aging infrastructure and systems must continue.

Improvements in the use of technology and new marketing tools will be needed to improve services for the department customers. Also, additional facilities, staff and resources will be needed in the future to meet the increasing service level demands from a growing population.



Park Recommendations

Park recommendations have been formulated from city goals, staff input, and responses from the public input meetings and the needs assessment survey. 93.1% were supportive of continued development of walking and biking trails with connections to existing trails. The parks division plans to work with Pullman Civic Trust and other local groups for a fully connected trail system within Pullman. The trail system provides opportunities for Pullman citizens to safely walk or ride their bikes to school or work, or for their health, away from city traffic.

The continued development or acquisition of park property is deemed a high priority, based on the results of the needs assessment survey. Pullman citizens support land purchases to preserve open spaces/green spaces in the city. Remodel/repair of existing structures and youth/adult athletic fields, was also highly supported. This was further demonstrated by the passage of the 2007 Proposition 1 initiative, which is funding new restrooms at a number of the parks, along with new ball field lighting at the City Playfields.

Pullman city ordinance allows leashed dogs in the parks, with exception of Lawson Gardens, Harrison Tot Lot, and all city cemeteries. From public input an off leash Dog Park is needed in Pullman. The parks division plans to work with the Whitman County Humane Society in the planning of their new facility and WSU Veterinary School of Medicine in the possible development of a dog park connected with or to their facility.



Recreation Recommendations

The Recreation Division recommends offering recreation programs at the current level or higher. It is the constant goal of the division to be largely self-sustaining. The cost to implement program recommendations will vary depending on the extent of new programs offered, staffing levels, and community interest. Based on the community response to the 2008 Needs Assessment Survey, youth and aquatic programming are a main concern to community members. In addition, adult fitness programs are a high priority in order to improve the

fitness and quality of life for Pullman residents. Those taking the survey are “very satisfied” or “satisfied” with current program offerings and with how the department is meeting the community’s park and recreational needs. Community members expressed their favoritism for the continued

support of special programs, such as the Egg Hunt, Halloween Carnival and Concerts in the Park. The Recreation Division needs to continue balancing the multi-generational needs of Pullman residents, taking into account the various interests and needs of the different age populations.

Recreation programming is dependent on facility availability; a softball quad-plex would greatly enhance the department's ability to meet programming needs, including groups such as PYBA.

From the survey and public input meetings, 67.3% of the Pullman residents support the development of a new recreation/community center. At this time the recreation division has staff in three main locations, Pioneer Center, Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center, and the Pullman Senior Center. By consolidating the recreation division into one central location, the department would be able to streamline administrative responsibilities and increase programming for the Pullman community. The City's capital improvement planning (pg 33) supports the construction of a community recreation center in 2020 or before, depending on the community support and funding opportunities.

2008 FACILITY NEEDS ASSESSED BY CONDITION AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>	<u>Year</u>
Ballfield Light: Install new ballfield lights at the City Playfields. Funded by 2007 Proposition 1.	\$525,000	2008
City Playfield Restroom: The restroom facility is in poor condition and does not meet full access requirements; two new facilities are funded and will be constructed in 2008. Funded by 2007 Proposition 1.	\$65,000	2008
Kruegel Park Restroom: The restroom facility is in poor condition and does not meet full access requirements; construction of two new facilities is underway. Funded by 2007 Proposition 1.	\$65,000	2008
Maple Street Extension & Palouse Highway path: Funded by 2007 Proposition 1.	\$180,000	2008
Sunnyside Restrooms: The restroom facility is in poor condition and does not meet full access requirements. Funded by 2007 Proposition 1.	\$65,000	2008
Path Connections: Connection through Koppel Farms to Bishop Blvd on to Johnson Road with connecting bridge to Bishop Boulevard. Funding by 2007 Proposition 1, fund raising and RCO Grant.	\$900,000	2009
Military Hill Landscape: Landscape mitigation banking. Funded by 2007 Proposition 1.	\$20,000	2009
Itani Pavilions: Small pavilions/shelters located in the park for shade, and reflection. Metro Park improvement fund	\$33,000	2009-10
Military Hill Park: Continue upgrade of play equipment and fields at the Park. Funded by Metro Park District Capital Improvement Funds.	\$60,000	2010
Reaney Park Restroom: The restroom facility is in poor condition and does not meet full access requirements. Funding unknown.	\$65,000	2010
Trail System: Continue upgrading signage along the city trail system and install bicycle racks. Possible funding through fund raising. The Pullman Civic Trust is currently working on this project.	\$30,000	2010
RV Park: Expand the city's existing recreational vehicle park and build a facility to provide showers and restrooms for recreational vehicle park users. Funding is unknown, possible lodging tax dollars.	\$300,000	2011
Sunnyside Park Ball Field: Move and construct the PYBA ballfield. Possible revenue sources are fund raising and grants.	\$125,000	2011
Sunnyside Arts Pavilion: Construct an Arts Pavilion at Sunnyside (this would first require moving of the PYBA ball field). Possible funding by fund raising, grants and lodging tax dollars.	\$2,500,000	2012
Softball Quad Plex: In cooperation with WSU, a joint softball complex. Funding is unknown, possible lodging tax dollars.	\$2,500,000	2012
Itani Linear Park: Connection greenway between Itani Park and Sunnyside Park. Funding through Metro Park District Capital Improvement Funds, private donation, and grants.	\$100,000	2014
Reaney Park Spray Pool: Construct an outdoor spray pool or other aquatic feature at Reaney Park. Possible funding by grants and lodging tax dollars.	\$500,000	2012
Kruegel Park Picnic Shelter: The picnic shelter at Kruegel Park had dry rot and will need to be replaced or reconditioned. Metro park dollars are currently being secured. Metro Park District Capital Improvement Funds.	\$250,000	2017
Lawson Gardens Expansion: Completion of Lawson Gardens in accordance with master plan. Possible funding by gifts, grants and lodging tax dollars.	\$3,500,000	Ongoing (Completion: 2018)
Community Recreation Center: Consolidate recreation programs to one location, housing, weight rooms, indoor walking track, kitchen, meeting/ program rooms, and administrative offices with equipment storage. Possible funding by bond issue.	\$8,000,000	2020

Inventory and Analysis Report

Section V



Inventory and Analysis Report

Comprehensive Strategic Planning

Comprehensive Strategic Planning for parks and recreation is a process in which a community thoroughly assesses its current and future needs for parks, recreation, and open spaces. The process involves:

- Review of condition and adequacy of facilities and programs
- Citizen participation in a variety of public involvement opportunities
- Assessment of future park and recreation needs in the community
- Develop level of service standards for the community
- Develop goals that address the needs
- Develop a strategic plan for attaining the goals

The plan is strategic in nature because it is driven by the citizen needs and is limited by the community's available finances and resources. It is comprehensive because it addresses the entire community and the uniqueness of Pullman.

Comprehensive Plan Consistency

The Parks and Recreation Plan is designed to be a supporting element of the City of Pullman Comprehensive Plan. The Parks and Recreation Plan focuses on parks, recreation and open space planning over a ten-year period beginning in the year 2008, which will be formally reviewed in 2013. It is essential to link planning for parks and open space to the Pullman Comprehensive Plan, to ensure that provisions for parks and open spaces are incorporated into the planned expansion of Pullman.

The Comprehensive Plan identifies goals and policies adopted by the City of Pullman that relate directly to parks, recreation, and open spaces. This plan recognizes the importance of parks and recreation opportunities as being critical elements when considering Pullman's quality of life.

Chapter Nine of the Comprehensive Plan (See appendix 5, pg 85) is dedicated to parks and open spaces in Pullman and includes the following statement that illustrates the importance of parks and recreation: *“Existing park and recreation facilities in the community have a strong, positive impact upon residents’ quality of life. Maintaining these facilities for the continued enjoyment of citizens should continue to be a priority.”*

The four goals included in the Comprehensive Plan for parks, recreation, and open spaces are as follows:

GOAL P1: *Maximize the quality of life in Pullman by providing open space, trails, parks, and recreational opportunities and facilities throughout the community.*

GOAL P2: *Assure the preservation and conservation of unique, fragile, scenic, and non-renewable natural resources.*

GOAL P3: *Maintain city parks and recreational facilities in good condition.*

GOAL P4: *Complete and protect a system of green belts, centered on streams and wildlife corridors, to protect natural resources and provide passive recreation.*

The Comprehensive Plan addresses the Pullman's recreation programs by stating, *"Recreational programs operated by the Public Services Department have proven to be popular among city residents. These programs should continue, but the department should evaluate them on an ongoing basis, in order to assure that they continue to reflect the interests of the community. The city's teen center, located in the Gladish Building, reaches a special segment of the population in need of positive activities. These and other programs for youth should continue to be a priority."*

Storm Water Management Program

The Parks and Recreation Department is currently working toward compliance with the City's Easter Washington Phase II municipal stormwater permit. Water runoff assessment:

- Trucks and equipment washed at the wash rack at South and Riverview and around the Parks Shop.
- Pesticides are applied by state licensed personnel (Parks division pays for staff training to stay current on CEU's, record keeping, PPG, IPM, rates, labels, etc.).
- Fertilizer application is not held to the same standards as pesticides, but we do not exceed recommended rates and have implemented soil testing to help us best manage our turf.
- New irrigation systems have been installed at McGee, Pioneer Center and City Cemetery with moisture sensing probes and state-of-the-art monitoring capability utilizing technology from Decagon.
- Xeriscape landscaping is implemented wherever possible to reduce water consumption.
- Walkways, paths, etc. are blown clean of debris using backpack blowers or ground driven units when possible to reduce water usage.
- Yard waste is dumped in a Pullman Disposal drop-box and grass clippings are not collected but mulched back into the turf to reduce composting associated problems and to reduce fertilizer needs.
- Pesticide storage is located in a separated and locked area of the main shop with a containment drain (no outlet) that can be pumped and the material removed as hazardous waste when required.
- The Sunnyside ponds are a closed system that must be supplemented with city water to maintain depth. There is a culvert that runs the length of the ponds which handles water from the Itani drainage. A pond overflow can be found in the manhole east of the small pond that drains into the culvert daylighting at the north end of the park.
- Reaney pools when required are drained into the adjacent sanitary system. The filter house can flood during storm events primarily from river water backing up through the storm drains mixing with water generated from the Maiden Lane area.
- Lawson Gardens contends with storm water from Meadowvale and Alderwood which exits the park through a culvert at Meadowvale and Derby.
- The city purchased 50 eco-blocks for flood control that will be stored along Riverview at City Playfield and stacked to form bins to house red fir mulch, EKO mix and top soil when not needed for flood control.
- We plow the path system throughout town, the sidewalks along park property and major traffic corridors (Crestview, Grand Ave., Stadium Way, portions of East & West Main, Fairmont, Terre View, Palouse St., High St., Paradise, Derby and Bishop) and plow and de-ice the City's parking lots, Riverwalk, sidewalks around the Town Centre and the pedestrian islands downtown.
- Most City parking lots drain fairly well; exceptions would be the Sunnyside Park back lot access drives and the Terre View Park parking lot.

Community Profile



Regional Setting

Pullman is a community of 27,030 according to the 2006 estimate by State Office of Financial Management. Pullman is the largest city in Whitman County consisting of 9.6 square miles, and is located in the heart of the Palouse region of southeast Washington State. The largest metropolitan area near Pullman is Spokane, Washington located 90 miles to the north. The most recognizable elements of the Palouse region are the expansive fields of agriculture and Washington State University located in Pullman.

Local Setting

The City of Pullman is almost synonymous with Washington State University. Approximately 65 percent of the population is comprised of WSU students making Pullman unique from most other communities.

Pullman's neighboring city is Moscow, Idaho located eight miles east. Interestingly, Moscow is the home of the University of Idaho adding to the student population of the region. A four-lane highway and a paved trail, which borders Paradise Creek, connect the two cities. The trail is named the Bill Chipman Palouse Trail and was constructed on an abandoned railroad line. The trail is very popular for recreation users and a large number of regular commuters between the two cities. Additional trails are under construction to expand the trail system in both Pullman and Moscow with links into Whitman and Latah Counties. To date the area system encompasses approximately 25 continuous miles of paved trails.

The climate in Pullman is typical of eastern Washington ranging from cold winters and frequent snow, to hot summers. Annual precipitation is 38.6 inches of snowfall per year and 21.32 inches of rainfall, which requires irrigation for most landscapes and has resulted in the need to place an emphasis on xeriscape options. All four seasons are experienced in Pullman, with warm summer months, crisp autumn afternoons, mild winters with blankets of snow, and sunny spring days and each is reflected beautifully in the rolling landscapes that paint the Palouse. The rich topsoil is generally shallow with a clay or basalt rock sub-base. This sub-base does not retain water very well creating frequent flood conditions with heavy precipitation or sudden thawing.

Population and Demographics

The city's 2000 census population was estimated at 24,948. This number represents an increase of 5.1 percent over the 1990 U.S. census count of 23,478. The population of the city as estimated in 2006 by the State Office of Financial Management was 27,030, an increase of 8.3% since the 2000 Census estimate. Population figures within the area are expected to continue to increase based on projections by the city.

The city estimates that, in 2007, the number of WSU students living in Pullman in the fall of 2007 was 17,583 (comprising 65 percent of the total population). Of course, during semester breaks and throughout the summer months, the student population in town decreases dramatically.

Due to the large contingent of university students in the community, Pullman's population is quite young when compared to other cities. Median age is 22.5 years old, with approximately five percent of the population 65 years of age or older. Through the 1990's, efforts have been made to retain more retirees in Pullman through the provision of appropriate housing and services.

The per capita income in Whitman County according to U.S. Department of Commerce, Regional Economic Information Center, and Bureau of Economic Analysis for 2005 was \$21,219. For the state of Washington as a whole, per capita income was \$14,923.

The racial composition of the city's population reflects a largely Caucasian population, comprising approximately 88 percent of the total. The largest non-white racial group is Asian/Pacific Islander, at 8.5 percent of total population. African Americans represent 1.9 percent of the population, while less than one percent are listed as Native American. Persons of Hispanic origin, regardless of race, comprise 2.3 percent of the population.

Projected Growth

Table 1 Historic and Projected Population and Enrollment			
Year	WSU Student Enrollment ¹	Pullman ²	Whitman County ³
1890	N/A	868	N/A
1900	389	1,308	25,360
1910	1,016	2,602	33,280
1920	1,911	2,440	31,323
1930	3,270	3,322	28,014
1940	4,035	4,417	27,221
1950	5,446	12,022 ^a	32,469
1960	6,837	12,957	31,263
1970	14,520	20,509	37,900
1980	16,786	23,579	40,103
1990	15,970	23,478	38,775
2000	17,050	25,773	40,740
2010	23,550	29,070	43,151
2020	23,500	33,650	45,581

Source:

¹ 1890-2010: WSU Institutional Research Office; 2020: City of Pullman based on WSU Institutional Research Office data (all figures represent fall enrollment for the Pullman campus).

² 1890-1990: U.S. Census; 2000-2020: City of Pullman based on Washington Office of Financial Management forecasts for Whitman County.

³ 1890-1990: U.S. Census; 2000-2020: Washington Office of Financial Management.

^a The sizeable increase in Pullman's population between 1940 and 1950 is due to the inclusion of university students in the overall total, a policy of the U.S. Census Bureau which has continued since that time.

In the past, growth in Pullman has been very closely tied to growth at WSU. While WSU is expected to continue to be a major driver of change in the city, the trend in recent years has been to a diversification of the economic base. The WSU Research and Technology Park and Port of Whitman County Industrial Park are home to a variety of businesses building off the research and training of the academic community.

The Washington Office of Financial Management (OFM) prepares population and employment forecasts for each county and the state as a whole. State law mandates use of these forecasts as the basis for long range planning by local jurisdictions. Distribution of the forecast growth within the county is left up to the jurisdictions in the county. Table 1 shows the historic and forecast growth for the county, city, and WSU.

As shown in Table 1, the projected population for Pullman in the year 2020 is 33,650. This figure is derived from the OFM forecasts mentioned above. It is important to note that accurate population projections are difficult to attain, particularly when the target date is 20 years or more

into the future. There is now, and probably always will be, much debate about the likely extent of future growth in student enrollment at WSU and how that will affect the overall population in the community. Certainly, it is acknowledged that both student enrollment and city population in 2020 could be much lower than that forecasted in this plan. However, apart from state mandates related to the use of OFM's figures, it is considered prudent to use the projections shown in Table 1 pg 40, for this Parks and Recreation Plan because anticipating the maximum growth scenario places the city in the best possible position to proactively prepare for its future as documented in the current city Comprehensive Plan.

Public Involvement

For the purpose of developing the Parks and Recreation Plan, the primary tools for collecting public input were the Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Survey conducted in April 2008, with three open house meetings. Notices inserts were sent, by mail, in the March City of Pullman water bills informing citizens of the survey opportunity and making them aware of the open houses. (See appendix 6, pg 89) Paper copies of the survey were made available to the public at the Pioneer Center, City Hall, Neill Public Library, and Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center. Pullman citizens were also able to respond to the survey online using "Survey Monkey" (See appendix 9, pg 93). Input was also gathered during three public open houses with Parks and Recreation staff, which were held, April 10, 3:00-5:00 p.m., Pioneer Center, April 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m., City Hall, and April 30, 3:00-5:00 p.m., Pioneer Center (See appendix 10, pg 99) for a summary from those open houses). The departments also issued a press release on March 24, 2008, (appendix 8, pg 91) as another means of informing the public of the "Needs Assessment Survey" and the open houses that were to be held. The Parks and Recreation Department solicited as much public input as possible during the plan's development, as well as working closely with the Park and Recreation Commission and City Council for the final adoption of this document.

The Parks and Recreation Commission serves as a volunteer advisory board to the Pullman City Council and staff. The commission routinely provides public input as to the effective operations and planning of recreation programs and facilities. The seven-member commission meets once a month. Public notices announce the time and location of each commission meeting which are always open for public input.

The City of Pullman receives a great deal of public involvement coordinated through "Volunteers in Parks" program. There are many opportunities available, from park or green space adoption to donations for park assets such as trees and benches. The City of Pullman has a rich history of public volunteerism and involvement in parks as is demonstrated in the historical perspective of the parks system.

Historical Perspective

The Founding of Pullman

In the spring of 1876, Bolin Farr took up a homestead in Whitman County. Two more homesteaders, Daniel McKenzie and William Ellsworth soon joined him in the fall of 1877. These three homesteads made up the main portion of what is now Pullman. The first post office was named "Three Forks" since the Dry Fork and Missouri Flat join the South Palouse River at the site. Orville Stewart established the first general store in the spring of 1881 at the time that Bolin Farr dedicated 10 acres of his land for a town site.

Farr named the town Pullman after George Pullman of the Pullman Car Company gave \$50 toward the first celebration of July 4th held here. Charles Moore of Moscow purchased the Farr site in 1882. Moore and Daniel McKenzie re-platted the town site and this new plat became the original plat of Pullman. The Spokane & Palouse Railroad from Spokane to Genesee, Idaho was built to Pullman in the fall of 1887, and on April 11, 1888 the town was legally organized as a village with a population of 250.

Parks and Recreation

The roots of the Public Services Department can be traced back to the development of the first parks in Pullman. The parks system was formed in 1903 when the first city park was established on Pioneer Hill on property donated from William Daw. The park was later named Kruegel Park. In 1904, land for Pullman's second park was purchased from Albert Reaney. The first Parks Commission was established in 1906. The Parks Commission developed a policy to "have a playground on each hill in Pullman." That goal was realized through the acquisition of Sunnyside Park in 1953, which complemented the existing Harrison Tot Lot on Military Hill and McGee Park on College Hill. Military Hill Park and Sunnyside Park were fully developed in 1974 with the aid of federal and state grants.

Other significant park developments include the additions of the City Playfields in 1941, the Pullman RV Park, (a Recreational Vehicle Park in 1983,) and Lawson Gardens in 1987. The City has received three recent land dedications with Terre View Park completed in 2002, dedication of Petry Natural Area in 2004 and the 7 acre Itani Park presently under development. The current park system includes 13 parks totaling 100 acres.

The City's role in public swimming began in 1917 with the construction of the original pool at Reaney Park. It was replaced in 1960 on the current site. A complete renovation occurred in 1979, resulting in the Reaney pool design as it exists today. Access to year round swimming in Pullman took a dramatic leap forward with the completion of Pullman Aquatic and Fitness Center in 2000. Mary and Ed Schweitzer furnished the vision and the funding for the indoor facility. The center is owned by the Pullman School District and managed by the City of Pullman.

Prior to the mid 1960s, the parks and cemetery maintenance functions were assigned to the Maintenance and Operations Division. The "Old Park Shop" was constructed in 1968 to serve as an operations base for the parks personal. Subsequently, the Parks and Recreation Department was established and located at a converted house near Reaney Park. In 1972 the Parks and Recreation Department moved into the new City Hall, at that time the library and building maintenance functions were included as divisions of the department.

The Public Services Department was formed in 1980 when the library was separated into its own department. The Public Services Department currently consists of two primary divisions involving Parks Maintenance and Recreation. The Recreation Division appointed its first Superintendent in

1964 at the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission. In 2000 the Department moved to the Pioneer Center, formerly the Franklin Elementary School. The building is shared with the Pullman School District administrative offices. The move to the Pioneer Center has allowed for an increase in programming opportunities. The current full-time staff includes the Recreation Superintendent, Recreation Supervisor, Senior Citizen Coordinator, Aquatic Coordinator, Preschool Teacher, two Administrative Specialists, in addition to numerous casual and volunteer coaches, instructors and recreational leader positions. The Parks Department currently has nine full time staff which includes Park Superintendent, Lead Maintenance Worker, Horticulturist, Community Service Representative and five Park Maintenance Worker II, plus seventeen seasonal employees.

Historical Highlights of Pullman Parks & Recreation

The following is a list of the important dates in the history of the parks and recreation movement in Pullman, Washington from 1900 to the present.

- 1903 First city park was acquired from William Daw, later became Kruegel Park
- 1904 Land purchased from Albert Reaney for Reaney Park
- 1906 First park commission was formed
- 1917 First outdoor pool completed at Reaney Park
- 1925 Council policy established to "secure a playground on each hill in Pullman"
- 1931 The Pullman Athletic Association was formed
- 1938 New Reaney Pool completed (\$25,000)
- 1941 City Playfield property dedicated by Henry Cole
- 1944 A youth center was established in the Pullman Hotel
- 1946 Woodcraft Park property was donated to the city
- 1950 Three lots were purchased on Harrison Street to provide a neighborhood playground for Military Hill
- 1952 Lighting added to City Playfields
- 1953 Acquired title to land on Sunnyside Hill
- 1954 Acquired title to land on Military Hill (Conservation Park)
- 1958 Kruegel Park named after William C. Kruegel
- 1959 Mayor's Recreation Committee called for the establishment of a permanent city recreation and parks commission
- 1960 New municipal swimming pool constructed at a cost of \$108,000 at Reaney Park
- 1964 Acquired additional land on Lybecker Road and named it McGee Park
- 1964 Citizen's Committee on Park Development and Recreation recommended that a recreation and park commission be instituted and a full-time superintendent be hired
- 1966 A \$700,000 bond issue was passed for the construction of a city hall/community center building
- 1969 Recreation Division offered its first eight-week summer program
- 1970 Pullman City Hall/Community Center building officially opened
- 1972 Recreation and Park Commission was changed to "Parks and Recreation Commission"
- 1972 The parks and recreation department moved into the new City Hall
- 1974 Military Hill Park and Sunnyside Park completed
- 1975 Completed remodeling of Reaney Park and City Playfield
- 1975 Pioneer Day camp developed with Whitman County and the school district
- 1975 Youth soccer and basketball programs developed
- 1976 Adult basketball and softball leagues developed
- 1979 Constructed a lighted softball diamond at Pullman Playfields and a lighted baseball diamond at Military Hill Park.
- 1979 Completed renovation of the swimming pools at Reaney Park
- 1980 Sunnyside Park picnic shelter completed by Lions Club
- 1983 Recreation Vehicle Park (Pullman RV Park) constructed near City Playfields
- 1983 Purchased 10 acres of land for cemetery expansion
- 1985 Constructed a second lighted softball diamond at City Playfields
- 1985 Reaney Park Pool filter house rebuilt
- 1985 Lawson Gardens property donated by Gerald Lawson
- 1987 Jogging path constructed around City Playfields
- 1987 Lawson Gardens dedicated
- 1988 Centennial Fountain and lighted path constructed
- 1989 Farr Cemetery renovated
- 1989 Wahl property purchased for park shop development
- 1991 Rose Garden built at Lawson Gardens
- 1991 City Cemetery expanded (1 acre)
- 1991 Perennial Garden built at Lawson Gardens
- 1992 Golf course feasibility study completed
- 1993 Teen Center opened at Gladish Community Center
- 1993 Hosted Washington State Games

- 1993 Sunnyside Park Tennis Courts renovated
- 1994 Cougar Plaza constructed
- 1994 Xeriscape Garden planted at Lawson Gardens
- 1995 Sunnyside Elementary School Gymnasium
- 1996 Hosted Washington State Games
- 1997 Flood Repairs at Pullman Playfields (3 softball fields and path)
- 1997 Installed pool liner at Reaney Pool
- 1997 Rafik and Mary Sue Itani donated property for the future Itani Park
- 1998 New Park shop built
- 1998 Bill Chipman Trail completed (7 miles)
- 1999 Spring Street Park completed (skate board facility)
- 1999 New play equipment at Reaney Park installed
- 1999 New park entrance sign standard developed
- 1999 Prop 1 approved by voters to construct trails, sidewalk improvements and downtown beautification
- 2000 Pioneer Community Center opened to public (old Franklin Elementary)
- 2000 Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center completed (gifted by Mary & Ed Schweitzer)
- 2000 Floyd Larson picnic shelter completed at Sunnyside Park
- 2000 Construction began on Itani Park
- 2000 Bill Chipman Trail extension completed (3 miles)
- 2001 Ring Road and Airport Road Trail completed (5 miles)
- 2002 Terre View Park completed (property gifted by Mary & Ed Schweitzer)
- 2004 Glenn and Melodie Petry donated property to the City for the creation of a natural area along the trail system
- 2004 Itani Linear Park was donated
- 2005 The upper portion of Petry Park was gifted and will provide linkage between the city path and Maple Street Extension
- 2006 Opening of the Riverwalk extension and Pine Street Mall
- 2006 Development of the Conservation Park at the site of the old city nursery
- 2006 Installation of new play equipment at Harrison Tot Lot and Kruegel Park
- 2007 New Proposition One passed for construction of restrooms at Sunnyside, Kruegel, and City Playfields, path extensions, and new ballfield lights
- 2007 Sale of Lawson Farm for 1.25 million for the continuing upkeep and development of Lawson Gardens
- 2007 Installation of new play equipment at Military Hill, and Terreview
- 2008 Dedication of the Liberty Elm Tree at Itani Park
- 2008 Dedication of the fish sculpture at Pine Street Mall
- 2008 Sewer improvements to the City RV Park
- 2008 Installation of pavers on all current paths at Lawson Gardens
- 2008 Creek development at Lawson Gardens
- 2008 New ballfield lights at the City Playfields
- 2008 Opening of new restrooms at City Playfields, Kruegel Park, and Sunnyside Park
- 2008 Path extensions of Maple Street, Palouse Highway, and Johnson Road

Inventory of Existing Facilities and Programs

Parks, Recreation Facilities, and Open Spaces

Name	Location	Size	Facilities	Activities
CEMETERY'S				
City Cemetery	500 SE Fairmount Road	20 acres	Cemetery plots	
Farr Cemetery	Fountain Street	1 acre	Historic site	
I.O.O.F. Cemetery	800 W. Main Street	3 acres	Cemetery plots	
PARKS				
City Playfield	Riverview Road	9 acres	3 softball fields, jogging track, volleyball, batting cage, picnic area, and public restroom.	City and High School softball leagues, youth soccer and football
Conservation Park	Darrow Street	15.48 acres	Scenic overlooks of the Palouse River	
Harrison Tot Lot	337 NW Harrison Street	0.3 acre	Playground, family picnic area	
Itani Park	SW Crestview Street	7.45 acres	Development continuing, Path, pavilion, and naturescape	
Kruegel Park	705 Dilke Street	8 acres	2 tennis courts, volleyball, playground, baseball diamond, football field, soccer field, barbecue area with picnic shelter, and public restrooms	Easter Egg Hunt
Lawson Gardens	705 Derby Street	13 acres	Formal gardens, gazebo, reflecting pool	Rented for weddings
McGee Park	1220 NE Lybecker Street	3 acres	Playfields, basketball court, baseball diamond, playground, barbecue area with picnic shelter and public restrooms	Space utilized as childcare facility play area
Military Hill Park	500 NW Larry Street	23 acres	Playfields, 6 tennis courts, 2 baseball diamonds, playground, aquatic & fitness center, jogging path, barbecue area with picnic shelter	High school baseball and tennis
Petry Natural Park	To access the natural area, enter the city path on Stadium Way between the railroad track and 415 NE Stadium Way approx. one-quarter mile up the path on your left.	1.3 acres	Two benches, two picnic tables, and trash receptacles and a tire swing	
Reaney Park	690 Reaney Way	1.6 acres	Outdoor pools, playground, gazebo, picnic tables, barbecue	National Lentil Festival, summer concert series
Spring Street Park	325 NE Spring Street	2.75 acres	Completed in 2000. Includes a skateboard park and a public restroom.	National Lentil Festival Competition
Sunnyside Park	147 SW Cedar Street	25 acres	2 ponds, waterfall, baseball diamond, 2 tennis courts, volleyball, walking trails, garden plots, barbecue area with picnic shelter, disc golf course and public restrooms	Independence Day celebration
Terre View Park	335NW Terre View Drive	3.25 acres	Picnic shelter, public restroom, paths, and wetland area.	
Woodcraft Park	675 SE South Street	0.8 acre	Shaded picnic area	
OPEN SPACES				
Gannon Park	Jackson Street	0.3 acre	Open space	
Cougar Plaza	Grand at Olsen	0.1 acre	Donor monuments, cougar statue	
High Street Mall	E. Main Street	0.3 acre	Benches and landscaping.	
Pine Street Mall	Main Street	0.3 acre	Benches and landscaping	
RV PARKS				
Pullman RV Park	Riverview Street	1 acre	20 RV spaces, utility hook-ups; park open April-November	

Budget and Revenue Summary

BUDGET				
	1997 Budget	2000 Budget	2005 Budget	2007 Budget
Cemeteries	\$ 59,466.00	\$ 85,811.00	\$ 82,164.00	\$ 84,667.00
Lawson Gardens	\$ 62,140.00	\$ 102,289.00	\$ 100,391.00	\$ 103,193.00
Natural Resources	\$ 39,200.00	\$ 85,811.00	\$ 89,347.00	\$ 95,461.00
Parks	\$ 1,045,046.00	\$ 997,371.00	\$ 815,286.00	\$ 861,150.00
Park Budget Total	\$ 1,205,852.00	\$ 1,271,282.00	\$ 1,087,188.00	\$ 1,144,471.00
Aquatic Center	Opened Sept 2000	\$ 198,750.00	\$ 363,799.00	\$ 435,746.00
Recreation	\$ 563,534.00	\$ 754,384.00	\$ 741,010.00	\$ 828,761.00
Recreation Budget Total	\$ 563,534.00	\$ 953,134.00	\$ 1,104,809.00	\$ 1,264,507.00
Total Parks & Recreation Budget	\$ 1,769,386.00	\$ 2,224,416.00	\$ 2,191,997.00	\$ 2,408,978.00

REVENUE				
	1997 Revenue	2000 Revenue	2005 Revenue	2007 Revenue
Cemeteries	\$ 23,109.00	\$ 38,494.00	\$ 24,693.16	\$ 37,814.85
Lawson Gardens	\$ 62,336.00	\$ 27,602.00	\$ 61,656.49	\$ 57,392.87
Natureal Resources	-	-	\$ -	\$ -
Parks	\$ 24,544.00	\$ 25,282.00	\$ 30,948.75	\$ 28,727.96
Park Revenue	\$ 109,989.00	\$ 27,602.00	\$ 117,298.40	\$ 123,935.68
Aquatic Center	Opened Sept 2000	\$ 86,727.00	\$ 169,785.26	\$ 243,679.24
Recreation	\$ 209,445.00	\$ 238,230.00	\$ 272,843.23	\$ 346,593.94
Recreation Revenue	\$ 209,445.00	\$ 324,957.00	\$ 442,628.49	\$ 590,273.18
Metro Park District Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 516,036.87	\$ 439,764.70
Total Parks & Recreation Revenue	\$ 319,434.00	\$ 352,559.00	\$ 1,075,963.76	\$ 1,153,973.56

The total Public Service Department budget has increased by \$639,592.00 in the last 10 years, which constitutes a 27% increase. The recreation division increases are due to the addition of the Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center and relocation of the recreation offices and programming to the Pioneer Center. The parks division increase is mainly due to the additions of the Conservation Park, Itani Park, Petry Natural Park, Spring Street Park, and downtown hanging baskets to the park system. Along with efforts of the Grand Avenue Greenway Committee, the department has also created many green spaces along North Grand Avenue, with plantings of flowers, shrubs and trees. The parks division has accomplished these additions with no additional full time park staff and a decrease in the number of seasonal staff. The division has work each year to qualify as a Tree City USA, and has also been awarded the Growth Award a number of times.

Since 1997 the department has increased program and fee revenues by 45%. In 2007 the department recovered 48% of the budget from program/rental fees, donations, and Metro Park dollars, which is an increase from 1997 when the department only recovered 18% of the budget.

Recreation Activities, Participants, and Revenue Generated (2007)

Activity	Revenue	Enrollment	Attendance
Adult Art	2,711.00	42	431
Adult Dance	1,968.00	78	331
Adult Fitness	30,506.00	733	13583
Adult Sports	29,789.00	72	11684
Active Adults	29,193.60	829	829
Aquatic Program	74,296.03	2214	22546
Aquatic Special Program	2,670.00	445	445
Youth Camps	17,292.00	279	1395
Youth Discovery Zone	15,536.25	495	2959
Adult Gen Rec	22,143.70	523	2408
Youth Gymnastics	13,211.00	231	1957
Adult/Youth Karate	6,024.00	120	2178
Kasai (Sister City Exchange)	895.00	9	9
Adult Outdoor	4,736.00	58	115
Preschool	69,316.00	721	7082
Seniors	1,016.00	1313	7318
Special Event	1,162.00	789	1019
Teen	1,757.50	109	109
Youth Dance	3,673.00	64	803
Youth Sports	52,781.16	1600	21256
Youth Sports Camps	13,924.15	269	1173
Aquatic Point of Sale	21,768.00	6462	6462
	\$ 416,369.39	1,7455	106,092
Aquatic Pool Rentals	11,855.90	653	1,583
Facility Rentals	2,627.00	87	87
Lawson Gardens	3,400.00	17	17
RV Park	24,467.96	1223	1223
Park Shelters	4,260.00	145	145
Reaney Pool Rental	3,032.00	300	1800
Sports Kits	46.40	5	5
Garden Plots 2007	60.00	2	2
	\$ 466,118.65	19,887	110,954

*Totals reflected above are from receipts processed in the recreation offices. The Department receives monies from other sources (e.g. Metro Park District tax, Lawson Gardens, Cemeteries, Pullman School District, dedicated fund donations). The additional revenues are not reflected in the totals above, due to receipting done in the finance department.

Master Plan Report

Section VI



Master Plan Report



Level of Service Standards

Recreation facilities are the constructed components that make up the parks and open space improvements. Standards for some of the more common types of recreation facilities follow.

Trail, Path, and Bikeway Systems

Pedestrian and bicycle trails continue to grow in popularity and support in the Pullman community. This was reflected in the passage of 2007 Proposition No. 1 which in part funded

new trails in the city system, mainly due to the popularity of the Bill Chipman Palouse Trail that links Pullman and Moscow. Walking is America's favorite form of outdoor recreation. Bicycling is also a very popular activity nationwide.

Since the completion of the Bill Chipman Trail in 1997, there has been considerable progress in extending the trail system into Pullman. Pullman successfully passed Proposition No. 1, a local tax levy, in 1997 to provide funding for three miles of paved recreational trails. Pullman also constructed five miles of paved trails on Airport Road and Terre View Drive in conjunction with the "Ring Road Project."

The City with ICA funds and citizen donations constructed one mile of trail near the downtown business district. The completion of the Downtown Riverwalk fills the gap in an eight-mile circular trail system. This completed portion provides needed recreation opportunities as well as an alternative transportation route for non-motorized vehicles. This route is identified as Pullman Trails & Pathways. (appendix 2, pg 75). Additional trail extensions will be constructed in 2008 with funds from 2007 Proposition No. 1; the Maple Street extension, trail along Johnson Road with bridge connection to Bishop Boulevard and a Palouse Highway trail connection.

There may be some confusion between trails and bikeways. Trails are transportation systems that are separate from roads, and aside from off-road vehicle trails, are for non-motorized use. Some, but not all bikeways can be trails, i.e., a Class I Bikeway is a trail because it is separated from the roadway. Trails can also be developed to accommodate multiple uses such as pedestrians, in-line skaters, bicyclists, and equestrians.

Some definitions of types of trails follow:

Primary Trail - is intended for multiple use, is accessible wherever possible, and located conveniently so as to connect several community facilities. Typically, a primary trail is paved and has a minimum improved surface width of 10 feet (12 feet desirable). Ideally, primary trails should have limited road crossings, which disrupt the flow and continuity of the trail. For this reason primary trails are often built in greenways, along stream or river corridors or along utility easements or abandoned roads or railroads.

Secondary Trail - can provide access for bicyclists, pedestrians, and equestrians, and is located so as to connect community facilities or neighborhoods or to provide access to primary trails. A secondary trail has a minimum width of 8 feet, can be paved or soft surface, and may not be accessible along its entire length (accessibility is

desirable, even if limited to trail segments). Secondary trails may include segments located on low volume residential streets or sidewalks when separate trail construction is not feasible or necessary.

Path - is an informal connection through or between neighborhoods, and is appropriate for pedestrian, equestrian, or off-road bicycle use. A path is typically soft surface, with a minimum width of 4 feet. Depending on use, location, and underlying conditions, the surface material may be native soil, forest duff, wood chips or crushed rock.

Unimproved Path - is a pedestrian route of variable width dictated by use. Unimproved path surfaces usually consist of forest duff or native soil.

Equestrian Trail - is typically a soft surface trail consisting of native soil material. Crushed rock surfacing is used in areas of soft or erodible soils. Minimum desired trail width is 4 feet with 6 feet being desirable. In addition, trail shoulders should be cleared a minimum 3 feet on both sides and vertical clearance should be 10 feet within the trail and shoulder zone. Equestrian trails should be separated from other trails whenever possible to reduce potential conflicts with other user groups. Equestrian trails and other types of trails may parallel each other but should be physically and visually separated by vegetation, a fence, or a combination of the two. There are currently no equestrian trails identified in Pullman.

Bikeways - are different than park or greenway trails in that their principal focus is on safe and efficient transportation. Trails emphasize a strong relationship with the natural environment and may not provide the most direct route from a practical transportation viewpoint. Bikeways serve distinctly different user groups than trail users. Typical bikeway user groups would include bicycle commuters, fitness enthusiasts, and competitive athletes. Their emphasis is on speed, which can be a serious conflict with recreation-type trails and their user groups. For this reason, it is important in planning that an attempt be made to separate trails and bikeways. If such dual uses cannot be avoided, it is important that the trail or bikeway be designed with more flexibility, such as for higher speeds, including passing zones and greater widths. Bikeway route systems and standards follow these classifications:

Class I Bikeway (Bike Path) – is a paved trail, separated from the public rights-of-way, principally for the use of bicycles but typically also shared with other trail users so they are actually **Primary Trails** when serving a multi-use function. The minimum width is 8 feet, with two foot cleared shoulders on both sides, but the recommended minimum paved width is 10 feet (12 feet if the path is to be used by maintenance vehicles or has high traffic volumes). Generally, a Class I Bikeway has two-way traffic separated by a centerline.

Class II Bikeway (Bike Lane) – is a paved portion of a roadway that is designated by signage and/or pavement markings for preferential bicycle use; 12 feet is the minimum width where parallel roadway parking is also permitted. Where parking volume is high, the combined bike lane/parking width should have an additional 1 to 2 feet. Without parking along the rights-of-way, the minimum bicycle lane width is 5 feet including a normal gutter width of 2 feet. Class II Bikeways are typically one-way lanes located on each shoulder of a public street improvement.

Class III Bikeway (Bike Route) – is a signed bicycle route, along public rights-of-way, not served by bike paths or bike lanes. Bike routes are shared facilities, normally with motor vehicles, where bicycle usage is secondary. The development and maintenance of 4-foot paved roadway shoulders with a standard edge stripe is recommended to

significantly improve the safety and convenience for bicyclists and motorists along such routes.

Class I Bikeways and Primary (multi-purpose) Trails are the most desirable bicycle facilities because they allow users to be safely separated from cars. However, they are also the most difficult to plan and develop because they require large linear tracts of land separated from roadways. Class I Bikeways and Primary (multi-purpose) Trails are often built on unencumbered utility corridors, river levees, and abandoned railroad rights-of-ways. The Interurban Trail from Tukwila to Pacific is one example of a Class I Bikeway and Primary (multi-purpose) Trail built on former rail line rights-of-way.

Class II Bikeways are preferable over Class III Bikeways because they provide a separate travel lane for the bicycles and theoretically are not sharing the same piece of pavement with motor vehicles. On minor streets and roads, a Class III Bikeway may be sufficient because traffic volumes and speeds are usually lower.

Class II and Class III Bikeways are actually part of the Comprehensive Plan's Transportation Element because their development is dependent on construction of the road system. Their capital improvement costs will therefore be included under the Transportation Element. However, in the recommended standards below, there is no distinction made between bicycling on a paved trail or bikeway. The overall goal of the recommended standard is to provide a coordinated community facility for bicycling. Similarly, there is no distinction made as to what types of pedestrian trails make up the recommended standard.

NRPA Standard:	Not an NRPA Category	
Recommended Standard:	Pedestrian:	0.5 miles per 1,000 populations
	Bicycling:	0.5 miles per 1,000 populations
	Equestrian:	.1 miles per 1,000 population

Athletic Facilities

Facilities for structured sports, organized teams or leagues.

Recommended Standard:	Baseball fields:	1 field per 5,000 population
	Youth Baseball:	1 field per 3,000 population
	Softball fields:	1 field per 3,000 population
	Football:	1 field per 20,000 population
	Soccer fields:	1 field per 3,000 population
	Gymnasiums:	1 gym per 5,000 population
	Basketball:	1 court per 5,000 population
	Tennis courts:	1 court per 2,000 population
	Volleyball:	1 court per 5,000 population
	Swimming: (indoor)	1 pool per 10,000 population
	Swimming: (outdoor)	1 pool per 15,000 population



Baseball Fields

Pullman High School currently has two baseball fields available for recreational use when not utilized by the high school’s programs. WSU has one baseball field that is not generally available for community recreational use.

The current number of full-size baseball fields seems sufficient for local demand. Generally, recreational teams in senior sponsored volunteer leagues report a sufficient number of adult-sized baseball fields.

NRPA Standard:	1 field per 5,000 population
Recommended Standard:	1 field per 5,000 population

Youth Baseball Fields

The term “youth baseball fields” is used herein to distinguish ballfields whose outfields are 225 feet or less. Youth baseball facilities are provided at Sunnyside Park, Kruegel Park, McGee Park and Pullman City Playfields. The primary users of youth baseball fields are the Pullman Youth Baseball Association and the Pullman Parks and Recreation Department.

NRPA Standard:	Not an NRPA category
Recommended Standard:	1 field per 1,500 population (Youth)

Softball Fields

The Pullman School District currently has two softball fields suitable for junior and senior high school aged youth. The City of Pullman has two softball fields available for community use. The Parks and Recreation user groups have suggested that additional softball fields in Pullman are needed at the current time.

NRPA Standard:	Not an NRPA category
Recommended Standard	1 field per 3,000 population

Football Fields

Pullman Senior and Junior High Schools each have one regulation football facility and track. Considering the increased interest in tackle football, there is currently a demand for more regulation fields. Recreational flag football leagues are growing in popularity among youths and college participants. However, recreational leagues do not require a regulation field and can be played on any large, flat turf area.

NRPA Standard:	1 field per 20,000 population
Recommended Standard	1 field per 15,000 population

Soccer Fields

Soccer is a very popular sport for local elementary and junior high school girls and boys. The very youngest soccer players (age 5-10) do not require full-size fields for play or practice. As many as three games can be played simultaneously on one full-size soccer field (sideline to sideline). Large, flat turf areas can also be used by the younger players. The field-size requirements increase with the players’ age. By the time children are 11 years old, they are usually playing on full-size soccer fields. The amount of soccer fields available for community

use is currently insufficient for the demand. The growth in popularity has created the need for additional utilization.

The City has two small practice/game soccer fields at Kruegel Park, Thatuna, and the City Playfields. The Rolland complex at the Pullman High School has four total fields; two regulation soccer fields and two for recreational use. The Lincoln Middle School and the Pullman High School are the primary locations for the Pullman Soccer Club.

Micro-soccer programs use smaller fields with fewer players on each team. This allows each player to make more contact with the ball, reduce idle time and increases distances of running. The growing interest in micro-soccer has greatly impacted the current lack of availability of soccer fields.

NRPA Standard:	1 field per 10,000 population
Recommended Standard:	1 field per 3,000 population

Basketball Court, Indoor and Outdoors

Due to the long winter months in Pullman, indoor basketball courts and gymnasiums are at a premium. The most desired gym time is taken by interscholastic basketball, volleyball, wrestling and other sports. The City of Pullman has partnered with the Pullman School District at Sunnyside Elementary. The City agreed to provide funding to enlarge the gymnasium to accommodate community recreation programs after the hours of 3:00 pm. This agreement has provided benefit to both parties.

The City does not have full control of any full-sized gymnasium, instead relying on the availability of public school district gyms on an as available basis. There exists a demand for gym time for a variety of community recreation programs including basketball, volleyball, aerobics, karate, etc.

There are currently five outdoor basketball courts in Pullman located at each of the public school facilities. They vary greatly in size and condition, but they are distributed well throughout each of the Pullman neighborhoods and receive considerable use by the community. Additional baskets are located at Kruegel Park, McGee Park and the Pioneer Community Center.

NRPA Standard:	1 court per 5,000 population
Recommended Standard:	1 court per 3,000 population

Tennis Courts

Tennis received “low need” scores in the Parks and Recreation Survey. This is in part due to the popularity of tennis nationally being in a downward cycle, having peaked in the 1970’s. There is an abundant supply of outdoor tennis courts available in Pullman for community use. WSU has over twelve courts available to the public. The City of Pullman and the Public School District have six courts on Military Hill Park. The City also has four additional courts two at Kruegel Park and two at Sunnyside Park.

NRPA Standard:	1 court per 2,000 population
Recommended Standard:	1 court per 2,000 population

Swimming Pools



The Pullman Parks and Recreation user groups have indicated a need for additional outdoor water facilities (spray/water park). The Reaney Park outdoor swimming facility has two pools available for public use. The summer population in Pullman decreases dramatically when WSU students are gone for the summer. The recommended level of services standard of 1 per every

15,000 is easily met with the outdoor facility. Additionally, Pullman manages the Pullman Aquatic Center, which is owned by the Pullman School District. This center has one competition pool and a smaller therapy pool. The center is open year-round for public use and swimming lessons.

The Pullman Community has traditional and competitive swimming facilities, but not all are available for use by the general public as they are on the WSU Campus and restricted to students and faculty. There is a growing demand to provide other aquatic needs such as a wading pool, spray area or other aquatic attractions. The outdoor Reaney Pool does not have a wading pool, which greatly restricts the use of the pools by non-swimmers. The Parks and Recreation Commission has been concerned with the lack of a wading pool and has explored funding options through the City's Capital Improvement Program and private funding.

The Parks and Recreation Commission is also considering a "spray grounds" as an alternative to a wading pool, or a wading pool with spray features. Spray grounds have programmed water features that are very popular with children with no standing water, which eliminates the possibility of drowning, reducing supervision and operation costs.

NRPA Standard:	1 pool per 20,000 population (indoor) Outdoor pool not an NRPA Standard
Recommended Standard:	1 pool per 15,000 population (indoor) 1 pool per 15,000 population (outdoor)

Play Equipment

The Pullman School District elementary schools provide three playgrounds with equipment. The City provides an additional seven play structures within the neighborhood parks. All play structures installed within the last ten years meet the accessibility standards for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Play equipment is an important socialization tool for young children. Where play equipment is installed, it is important that the entire playground be designed to be ADA accessible. It is desirable that play equipment be evenly distributed throughout the Pullman park system and neighborhoods. As new developments occur, it is also desirable to consider easy access to playgrounds as part of the planned development.

NRPA Standard:	Not an NRPA Standard
Recommended Standard:	1 play equipment per 2,000 population

Open Space

Nature areas received the highest score on the Park and Recreation Survey. Pullman is surrounded by vast rolling hills of wheat and agriculture. The majority of wooded areas are found within the city limits. These natural areas are very valuable to wildlife and should be protected from development where possible. The City's Environmental Quality Commission has identified numerous areas within Pullman as being critical areas for wildlife. Where critical areas are identified on public property, these areas are intended to remain in their natural state to support wildlife and remain accessible to the public for passive recreational use.



The NRPA strongly advocates that an open space system be developed in concert with the parks and recreation guidelines developed by a community. However, as cited below, NRPA notes that it is not appropriate to apply the idea of a LOS (Level of Service) guideline to open space:

The open space system cannot and should not be equated with a numerical standard of any kind. This approach is both impractical and counterproductive. There is no number of acres of floodplain or wetlands that every community should have in order to meet a national standard. Rather a community should, through the strategic planning process, develop open space policies which reflect the unique resources of the community and could be the basis for the open space system.

Natural or open space lands with environmental significance cannot be included in a land based standard because these lands have limited capability for recreational use beyond desirable and limited passive recreation and interpretation and environmental education. (Parkway, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines, NRPA, 1996).

While there is no established level of service for the amount of open space in a community, the perceived need for additional "Nature areas" was apparent in the Parks and Recreation Survey. The City should continue to acquire critical areas where possible to provide natural habitat for wildlife and provide open space buffers to development.

Greenways

Greenways are linear forms of open space that are maintained to conserve natural and cultural resources, and to provide recreational opportunities, aesthetic and design benefits, and transportation linkages between natural resource open spaces and recreation facilities. The primary difference between greenways and natural area open spaces is that greenways emphasize use to a greater extent through such means as trails. They allow for pedestrian movement between parks throughout the community. Some natural resource open space areas are too fragile to even allow trails within their boundaries.

Greenways may be classified as either "natural" or "human-made". "Natural" greenways are linear natural resource open space areas that protect streams, rivers, ravines, drainage ways, wetlands, lowlands, shorelines along lakes and ponds, vegetated steep slopes, and the like.

The South Fork of the Palouse River is an example of a natural greenway where development is restricted in the natural floodway.

Park systems and the community generally favor creation of "natural" greenways because they are protecting the natural resource areas and have an unspoiled character. "Human-made" greenways, however, can be designed to be very appealing by using plantings, cultural and historic references, and human-made elements. Examples include the Koppel Farm Community Garden, Itani Linear Park which will connect Sunnyside Hill to Sunnyside Park, and the improvements made to Grand Avenue in Pullman through the efforts of the Grand Avenue Greenway Committee.

Pullman Parks & Recreation

2008 Needs Assessment Survey

Part 1 – Demographics

1. Sex of Respondent **Total Responses 194 Skipped question 4** 55 Male 139 Female
2. Age of Respondent: **Total Responses 194 Skipped Question 4**
 10-17 0 18-24 11 (5.7%) 25-34 47 (24.2%) 35-44 41 (21.1%) 45-54 43 (22.2%) 55-64 25 (12.9%) 65+ 27 (13.9%)
3. Counting yourself, how many people currently live in your household, including children?
Total Responses 184 Skipped Question 14
 1 – 29 (15.8%) 2- 47 (25.5%) 3 – 30 (16.3%) 4 – 57 (31%) 5 – 15 (8.2%) 6 – 4 (2.2%) 7 – 2 (1.1%) 8+ - 0
4. If you have children at home, what are their ages? _____
5. How long have you lived in Pullman? **Total Responses 192 Skipped Question 6**
 0-5 years - 53 (27.6%) 6-10 years - 34 (17.7%) 11-15 years - 69 (35.9%) 15+ years – 69 (35.9%)
 Do not live within the City of Pullman, but use or participate in Parks & Recreation offerings - 19 (9.9%)
6. Your occupation: **Total Responses 191 Skipped Question 7**
 Government - 10 (5.2%) Homemaker - 25 (13.1%) Private employer – 13 (6.8%) Professional - 26 (13.6%)
 Retired – 32 (16.8%) Student – 14 (7.3%) WSU Staff/Faculty – 56 (29.3%) Other – 15 (7.9%)
7. Choose the area in Pullman in which your residence is located. **Total Responses 193 Skipped Question 5**
9 (4.7%) College Hill
64 (33.2%) Military Hill
43 (22.3%) Pioneer Hill
43 (22.3%) Sunnyside Hill
10 (5.2%) Other areas of Pullman
24 (12.4%) Do not live within the City of Pullman

Part 2 – Use of Existing Park & Recreation Facilities

8. For the facilities listed below, please indicate how many times you or others in your household used the facility over the past 12 months. If visited, please rate your level of satisfaction with the facility.

Site/Facility	following facilities over the past 12 months. Mark column with an X.					Total Responses	Indicate your level of satisfaction with each of the facilities used. Mark column with an X.		
	0 visits	1-5 visits	6-10 visits	11-16 visits	16+ visits		Very satisfied	Satisfied	Not satisfied
Chipman Trail (Pullman to Moscow)	31 (20.5%)	62 (41.1%)	17 (11.3%)	6 (4.0%)	35 (23.2%)	151	71 (60.7%)	43 (36.8%)	3 (2.6%)
City Playfields	39 (27.5%)	48 (33.8%)	13 (9.2%)	11 (7.7%)	31 (21.8%)	142	32 (32.3%)	58 (58.6%)	9 (9.1%)
City Trail System	35 (21.6%)	41 (30.6%)	13 (9.7%)	5 (3.7%)	40 (29.9%)	134	47 (51.1%)	34 (37.0%)	11 (12.0%)
Harrison Tot Lot	97 (72.4%)	18 (13.4%)	10 (7.5%)	3 (2.2%)	6 (4.5%)	134	8 (20.5%)	24 (65.5%)	7 (17.9%)
Kruegel Park	33 (21.6%)	70 (45.8%)	14 (9.2%)	10 (6.5%)	26 (17.0%)	153	35 (31.5%)	73 (65.8%)	3 (2.7%)
Lawson Gardens	50 (33.3%)	72 (48.0%)	16 (10.7%)	6 (4.0%)	6 (4.0%)	150	58 (63.4%)	33 (35.5%)	2 (2.2%)
McGee Park	93 (69.9%)	31 (23.3%)	6 (4.5%)	0	3 (2.3%)	133	7 (17.9%)	25 (64.1%)	7 (17.9%)
Military Hill Park	70 (53.8%)	36 (27.7%)	10 (7.7%)	4 (3.1%)	10 (7.7%)	130	10 (17.2%)	41 (70.7%)	7 (12.1%)
Pullman Cemeteries	79 (59.8%)	39 (29.5%)	6 (4.5%)	3 (2.3%)	5 (3.8%)	132	16 (32.0%)	30 (60.0%)	4 (8.0%)
Reaney Park	18 (11.8%)	69 (45.4%)	27 (17.8%)	10 (6.6%)	28 (18.4%)	152	44 (35.1%)	69 (56.6%)	9 (7.4%)
Spring Street Park	104 (82.5%)	16 (12.7%)	3 (2.4%)	1 (0.8%)	2 (1.6%)	126	7 (30.4%)	12 (52.2%)	4 (17.4%)
Sunnyside Park	20 (12.9%)	64 (41.3%)	29 (18.7%)	16 (18.7%)	26 (16.8%)	155	60 (49.6%)	53 (43.8%)	8 (6.6%)
Terreview Park	93 (71.5%)	16 (12.3%)	8 (6.2%)	5 (3.8%)	8 (6.2%)	130	8 (23.5%)	21 (61.8%)	5 (14.7%)
Woodcraft Park	99 (77.3%)	22 (17.2%)	3 (2.3%)	0	4 (3.1%)	128	6 (23.1%)	18 (69.2%)	2 (7.7%)

9. Additional comments on park facilities. **See page 99 Appendix 10**
10. Please list additional local facilities visited in the past 12 months not listed above.
 1. **Kamiak Butte, Klemgard Park, Jefferson Elem, Discovery Science Center, Hamilton Lowe Aquatic Center, Spalding Rd Trail, were the most common sites**
 2. _____
 3. _____

11. How frequently do you or others in your household use the following facilities or activity areas in the Pullman Parks & Recreation System? If used, please rate your level of satisfaction with the facility or activity area.

Site/Facility	Number of times you or a family member has used one of the following facilities over the past 12 months. Mark column with an X.						Indicate your level of satisfaction with each of the facilities used. Mark column with an X		
	0 visits	1-5 visits	6-10 visits	11-16 visits	16+ visits	Total Responses	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Not satisfied
Aquatic Center Fitness Room	97 (71.9%)	15 (11.1%)	6 (4.4%)	1 (0.7%)	16 (11.9%)	135	12 (30.8%)	22 (56.4%)	5 (12.8%)
Aquatic Center Pools	48 (33.6%)	25 (17.5%)	10 (7.0%)	8 (5.6%)	52 (36.4%)	143	47 (52.2%)	36 (40.0%)	7 (7.8%)
Baseball Fields	88 (73.9%)	13 (10.9%)	3 (2.5%)	0	15 (12.6%)	119	5 (15.6%)	23 (71.9%)	4 (12.5%)
Basketball Courts	97 (82.2%)	10 (8.5%)	4 (3.4%)	1 (0.8%)	6 (5.1%)	118	4 (23.5%)	10 (58.8%)	3 (17.6%)
Disc Golf	104 (85.2%)	12 (9.8%)	3 (2.5%)	1 (0.8%)	2 (1.6%)	122	6 (33.3%)	11 (61.1%)	1 (5.6%)
Jogging/Exercise Trails	41 (31.8%)	24 (18.6%)	12 (9.3%)	5 (9.3%)	47 (36.4%)	129	38 (48.1%)	33 (41.8%)	8 (10.1%)
Natural Areas	51 (41.5%)	28 (22.8%)	16 (13.9%)	7 (5.7%)	21 (17.1%)	123	21 (35.0%)	34 (56.7%)	5 (8.3%)
Open Fields/Practice Areas	72 (58.5%)	15 (12.2%)	12 (9.8%)	6 (4.9%)	18 (14.6%)	123	13 (29.5%)	29 (65.9%)	2 (4.5%)
Picnic Shelter	49 (36.8%)	63 (46.6%)	14 (10.5%)	5 (3.8%)	3 (2.3%)	134	23 (32.9%)	43 (61.4%)	4 (5.7%)
Pioneer Center	58 (43.9%)	22 (16.7%)	12 (9.1%)	10 (7.6%)	30 (22.7%)	132	28 (43.8%)	34 (53.1%)	2 (3.1%)
Playgrounds	43 (33.6%)	34 (26.6%)	11 (8.6%)	8 (8.6%)	32 (25.0%)	128	27 (37.5%)	41 (56.9%)	4 (5.6%)
Reaney Pool	64 (49.6%)	30 (23.3%)	16 (12.4%)	5 (3.9%)	14 (10.9%)	129	14 (22.6%)	36 (58.1%)	12 (19.4%)
Senior Center	101 (78.3%)	12 (9.3%)	2 (1.6%)	2 (1.6%)	12 (9.3%)	129	13 (54.2%)	11 (45.8%)	0
Skate Park	101 (84.2%)	15 (8.4%)	2 (1.7%)	0	2 (1.7%)	120	2 (12.5%)	12 (75.0%)	2 (12.5%)
Softball Fields	92 (77.3%)	10 (8.4%)	4 (3.4%)	2 (1.7%)	11 (9.2%)	119	7 (29.2%)	14 (58.3%)	3 (12.5%)
Tennis Courts	91 (77.1%)	18 (15.3%)	6 (5.1%)	1 (0.8%)	2 (1.7%)	118	4 (18.2%)	12 (54.5%)	6 (27.3%)

12. Additional comments regarding facilities or activity areas. [See page 99, appendix 10](#)

13. Based on your experience, do you feel additional parks or park facilities are needed in the City at the present time?
Total Responses 164 **Skipped Question 34** Yes **80 (48.8%)** No **84 (51.2%)**

14. If you answered yes to question #13, what types of facilities are needed?

- A. [See page 105, appendix 10](#)
- B. _____
- C. _____

15. Where should these facilities be located?

- A. [See page 107, appendix 10](#)
- B. _____
- C. _____

Part 3 – Program Participation

16. Please indicate if you or any member of your household participated in one of the recreation and/or sports programs listed below. If you answered yes, please rate your satisfaction with the program.

		Yes participate	No do not participate	Will participate in the future	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not satisfied
A.	Active adult (50+) programs	10 (9.2%)	84 (77.1%)	15 (13.8%)	8 (80.0%)	2 (20.0%)	0
B.	Active adults (50+) travel programs	10 (9.0%)	86 (77.5%)	15 (13.5%)	8 (72.7%)	2 (18.2%)	1 (9.1%)
C.	Adult art programs	4 (3.8%)	86 (81.1%)	16 (15.1%)	2 (50.0%)	1 (25.0%)	1 (25.0%)
D.	Adult dance programs	3 (2.8%)	85 (79.4%)	19 (17.8%)	0	3 (100.0%)	0
E.	Adult fitness programs	27 (23.3%)	65 (56.0%)	24 (20.7%)	12 (52.2%)	11 (47.8%)	0
F.	Adult general recreation programs	11 (10.2%)	74 (68.5%)	23 (21.3%)	3 (33.3%)	6 (66.7%)	0
G.	Adult outdoor recreation programs	3 (2.8%)	79 (74.5%)	24 (22.6%)	3 (100.0%)	0	0
H.	Adult sports programs	17 (15.7%)	81 (75.0%)	10 (9.3%)	6 (42.9%)	7 (50.0%)	1 (7.1%)
I.	Adult/teen swim lessons	10 (9.6%)	87 (83.7%)	7 (6.7%)	4 (50.0%)	4 (50.0%)	0
J.	Aquatic Center special programs (events)	21 (19.8%)	78 (73.6%)	7 (6.6%)	11 (55.0%)	9 (45.0%)	0
K.	Lap swimming	37 (33.6%)	65 (59.1%)	8 (7.3%)	12 (37.5%)	18 (56.3%)	2 (6.3%)
L.	Personal training	6 (5.9%)	88 (87.1%)	7 (6.9%)	0	3 (75.0%)	1 (25.0%)
M.	Preschool programs	20 (18.5%)	79 (73.1%)	9 (8.3%)	13 (68.4%)	6 (31.6%)	0
N.	Senior Center programs	15 (13.6%)	85 (77.3%)	10 (9.1%)	8 (61.5%)	4 (30.8%)	1 (7.7%)
O.	Special events (Egg Hunt, Halloween Carnival, Concerts in the Park)	80 (65.0%)	33 (26.8%)	10 (9.1%)	40 (57.1%)	29 (41.4%)	1 (1.4%)
P.	Water exercise programs	14 (13.3%)	81 (77.1%)	10 (9.5%)	8 (66.7%)	4 (33.3%)	0
Q.	Youth art/music programs	20 (19.4%)	71 (68.9%)	12 (11.7%)	7 (43.8%)	9 (56.3%)	0
R.	Youth dance/theater programs	11 (10.6%)	80 (76.9%)	13 (12.5%)	4 (40.0%)	6 (60.0%)	0
S.	Youth sports camps	24 (21.8%)	73 (66.4%)	13 (11.8%)	15 (68.2%)	7 (31.8%)	0
T.	Youth sports programs	44 (38.3%)	59 (51.3%)	12 (10.4%)	21 (52.5%)	17 (42.5%)	2 (5.0%)
U.	Youth summer camp programs	17 (15.7%)	74 (68.5%)	17 (15.7%)	10 (66.7%)	4 (26.7%)	1 (6.7%)
V.	Youth swim lessons	56 (46.7%)	58 (48.3%)	6 (5.0%)	26 (49.1%)	22 (41.5%)	5 (9.4%)

17. Which four of the programs listed above are most important to your household? Using the letters listed to the left of each activity, please write in the letter below for your 1st – 4th choice.

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd choice _____ 4th choice _____

		1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice	Response Count
A.	Active adult (50+) programs	0	7	6	3	16
B.	Active adults (50+) travel programs	8	2	4	1	15
C.	Adult art programs	1	2	3	3	9
D.	Adult dance programs	1	4	1	3	9
E.	Adult fitness programs	11	8	3	7	29
F.	Adult general recreation programs	1	5	2	2	10
G.	Adult outdoor recreation programs	4	6	3	6	19
H.	Adult sports programs	3	6	4	1	14
I.	Adult/teen swim lessons	1	1	2	1	5
J.	Aquatic Center special programs (events)	2	2	1	3	8
K.	Lap swimming	12	4	3	1	20
L.	Personal training	1	3	0	1	5
M.	Preschool programs	9	8	2	3	22
N.	Senior Center programs	7	3	4	2	16
O.	Special events (Egg Hunt, Halloween Carnival, Concerts in the Park)	11	10	16	13	50
P.	Water exercise programs	8	1	2	1	12
Q.	Youth art/music programs	3	5	6	6	20
R.	Youth dance/theater programs	3	2	5	6	16
S.	Youth sports camps	6	8	2	4	20
T.	Youth sports programs	19	9	8	2	38
U.	Youth summer camp programs	2	7	8	1	18
V.	Youth swim lessons	14	16	10	5	45
	Response Count	127	119	95	75	

18. Additional comments on recreation and/or sports programs. [See page 108, appendix 10](#)

19. Please rate your overall satisfaction with Pullman Parks & Recreation. **Total Responses 162 Skipped question 36**

Very satisfied **69 (42.6%)** Satisfied **76 (46.9%)** Neutral **12 (7.4%)** Dissatisfied **4 (2.5%)** Very dissatisfied **1 (0.6%)**

Part 4 - Care-To-Share

The Pullman Parks & Recreation Care-To-Share program has been established through private donations from individuals and businesses. This program provides financial assistance to low income individuals to help cover registration fees for youth through 17 years of age who reside in the Pullman School District and Senior Adults 60 years of age and older who reside in the City of Pullman.

20. Are you familiar with our Care-to-Share program for low income children and Sr. Adults?

Total Responses 163 Skipped question 35 Yes **47 (28.8%)** No **116 (71.2%)**

21. Have you used the youth Care-to-Share program?

Total Responses 159 Skipped question 39 Yes **2 (1.3%)** No **157 (98.7%)**

22. Have you used the Sr. Adult Care-to-Share program?

Total Responses 161 Skipped question 37 Yes **2 (1.2%)** No **159 (98.8%)**

23. Have you ever donated to the Care-to-Share program?

Total Responses 160 Skipped question 37 Yes **12 (7.5%)** No **148 (92.5%)**

Part 4 – Future Planning

24. If the City of Pullman Parks & Recreation Department were to develop a new community center, how frequently would you or others in your household use the following activities/facilities?

Facility Type		Number of times you or a member of your household would use a facility in a 12 months period.				
		Often	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	Response Count
A.	Aerobics/Dance	27 (19.4%)	46 (33.1%)	31 (22.3%)	35 (25.2%)	139
B.	Arts/Crafts	19 (13.9%)	51 (37.2%)	37 (27.0%)	30 (21.9%)	137
C.	Climbing Wall	22 (15.8%)	46 (33.1%)	23 (16.5%)	48 (34.5%)	139
D.	Fitness Room	41 (28.7%)	34 (23.8%)	34 (23.8%)	34 (23.8%)	143
E.	Leisure/Lap Pool	46 (31.7%)	53 (36.6%)	19 (23.8%)	27 (18.6%)	145
F.	Meeting/Conference/Banquet Space	14 (10.1%)	40 (28.8%)	48 (34.5%)	37 (26.6%)	139
G.	Multi-Court Gymnasium	33 (24.3%)	32 (23.5%)	27 (19.9%)	44 (32.4%)	136
H.	Performing Arts/Theater	23 (16.1%)	53 (37.1%)	37 (25.9%)	30 (21.0%)	143
I.	Pool with Spray Features/Water Slides	50 (35.5%)	37 (26.2%)	26 (18.4%)	28 (19.9%)	141
J.	Racquetball Courts	18 (13.2%)	24 (17.6%)	30 (22.1%)	64 (47.1%)	136
K.	Senior Center	11 (7.9%)	19 (13.6%)	27 (19.3%)	83 (59.3%)	140
L.	Teen Center	11 (8.3%)	14 (10.6%)	21 (15.9%)	86 (65.2%)	132
M.	Walking/Jogging Track	56 (37.6%)	45 (30.2%)	25 (16.8%)	23 (15.4%)	149

25. Which four of the amenities listed above are most important to your household? Using the letters listed to the left of each activity, please write in the letter below for your 1st – 4th choice.

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd choice _____ 4th choice _____

		1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice
A.	Aerobics/Dance	9	10	7	5
B.	Arts/Crafts	4	5	9	8
C.	Climbing Wall	5	10	13	8
D.	Fitness Room	8	16	11	5
E.	Leisure/Lap Pool	18	9	16	7
F.	Meeting/Conference/Banquet Space	7	6	7	7
G.	Multi-Court Gymnasium	12	14	7	6
H.	Performing Arts/Theater	6	12	8	8
I.	Pool with Spray Features/Water Slides	36	15	12	3
J.	Racquetball Courts	5	6	4	4
K.	Senior Center	12	2	4	4
L.	Teen Center	2	3	4	5
M.	Walking/Jogging Track	19	5	16	20

26. Following are actions that the City of Pullman could take to improve the Parks and Recreation system. Please indicate whether you would be very supportive, somewhat supportive, or not supportive of each options.

How supportive are you of having the City of Pullman	Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Sure	Not Supportive	Response Count
Develop a dog park	69 (44.2%)	40 (25.6%)	26 (16.7%)	21 (13.5%)	156
Develop new recreation/community center	65 (42.5%)	38 (24.8%)	36 (23.4%)	14 (9.2%)	153
Develop new walking/biking trails/connect existing trails	107 (67.3%)	33 (20.8%)	11 (6.9%)	8 (4.0%)	159
Develop new youth/adult athletic fields	31 (20.7%)	58 (38.7%)	45 (30.0%)	16 (10.7%)	150
Fix-up/repair historic cemeteries	39 (25.7%)	55 (36.2%)	46 (30.3%)	12 (7.9%)	152
Purchase land to develop athletic fields	31 (20.7%)	42 (28.0%)	53 (33.3%)	24 (16.0%)	150
Purchase land to preserve open space/green space	76 (50.3%)	45 (29.8%)	19 (11.9%)	12 (7.9%)	151
Remodel/repair old park buildings/facilities	81 (52.9%)	54 (35.3%)	15 (9.8%)	3 (2.0%)	153
Upgrade existing neighborhood/community parks	87 (56.5%)	52 (33.8%)	12 (7.8%)	3 (1.9%)	154
Upgrade existing youth/adult athletic fields	64 (42.7%)	54 (36.0%)	25 (16.7%)	7 (4.7%)	150

27. Additional comments? [See page 107, appendix 10](#)

28. **OPTIONAL:** To be entered into a drawing for a free annual individual membership to the Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center and receive results of this survey please complete the following information. *(Pullman Park & Recreation Commission members and employees are not eligible for this drawing)*

Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

RETURN TO: Pullman Parks & Recreation, 240 SE Dexter, Pullman, WA 99163

Thank you for participating in the Pullman Parks & Recreation needs assessment survey. If you have given us your email address we will send you the survey results at the end of the survey period. You are also now entered into the drawing for an annual membership to Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center.

Goals and Objectives 2008-2013

Section VII



Goals and Objectives 2008-2013

Within this plan, a short-term goal is designed to be achievable within five years, 2008-2013. A long-term goal is achievable after 2013.

A. PARKS

Short Term Goal: Improve existing park facilities.

Objectives: Continue to expand Lawson Gardens, creation of ponds and perimeter landscaping.

Continue to develop Itani Park; landscape, paths and pavilion installation.

Construct an outdoor spray pool at Reaney Park in conjunction with Master Plan.

Construct Sunnyside Arts Pavilion.

Expand the city's existing recreational vehicle park and build a facility to provide showers and restrooms for recreational vehicle park users.

Short Term Goal: Cooperate with local organizations to enhance transportation corridors in the community.

Objectives: Coordinate with the Pullman Civic Trust and other local organizations to improve the community's pedestrian paths and to establish appropriate connections within pathway corridors.

Coordinate with the Grand Avenue Greenway Committee, local merchants, and other groups to beautify Grand Avenue and other major thoroughfares in the community through landscaping and other means.

Short Term Goal: Compliance with Phase II of the State mandated Storm Water Retention consistency.

Objectives: Work with the City of Pullman Stormwater Services Program Manager to comply with the Eastern Washington Phase II Storm Water Permit as it relates to parks and public green spaces.

Long Term Goal: Establish and implement level of service standards for parks and recreation facilities in the community.

Objectives: Adopt formal level of service standards, in keeping with the expressed needs of the community, to guide the development and maintenance of parks and recreation facilities.

As community growth occurs, work with real estate developers to provide facilities in accordance with the adopted level of service standards.

Long Term Goal: Improve existing park facilities.

Objectives: Replace the picnic shelter at Kruegel Park.

Develop Itani Linear Park and northern parking lot.

Lawson Gardens completion in accordance with the Master Plan, with construction of the wedding/conference building.

B. RECREATION GOALS

Short Term Goal: Provide a comprehensive recreation program.

Objectives: Develop new programs for the youth, adult, and senior population of the City of Pullman that meet their needs and interests.

Develop and implement programs for youth/young adults in cooperation with the Pullman School District, Pullman Police Department and businesses in the Pullman community.

Short Term Goal: Continue to provide Washington State University students with hands on experience.

Objectives: Develop and implement internship opportunities within appropriate WSU departments.

Recruit students to be volunteers for Pullman Parks & Recreation youth and adult sports programs.

Continue to coordinate with Washington State University Center of Civic Engagement serving as a community placement for individual WSU students and group learning projects.

Short Term Goal: Provide aquatic classes for Pullman School District students.

Objectives: Through use of the Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center develop and implement a curriculum with the Pullman School District that meets the standards and educational needs of their students.

Short Term Goal: Continued support of financially disadvantaged population.

Objectives: Provide financial assistance to low income families in the Pullman community through the "Care to Share" program that allows youth and seniors to participate in recreation programs.

Develop and program a yearly fundraiser that will help sustain "Care to Share" funds to further provide assistance to financially disadvantaged youth and seniors in the Pullman community.

Long Term Goal: Develop a Multi-Sport complex.

Objectives: In cooperation with Washington State University, Pullman Youth Baseball, Pullman Soccer Club and other interested parties, consider the development of a multi-sport complex that would meet the needs of many organizations and different types of athletic programs.

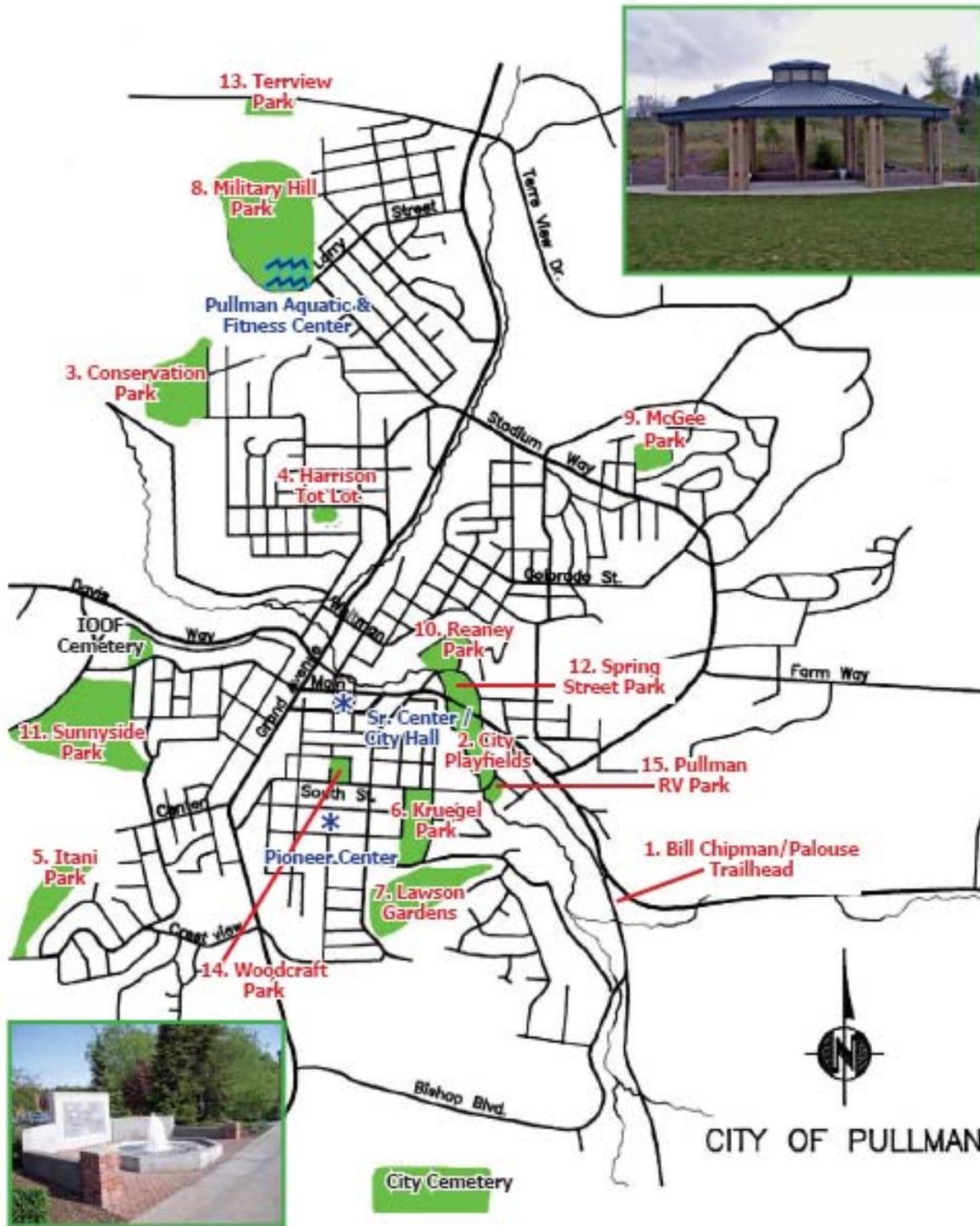
Long Term Goal: Develop a Recreation Center.

Objectives: Construct a Recreation Center to better meet the needs of the Pullman community.

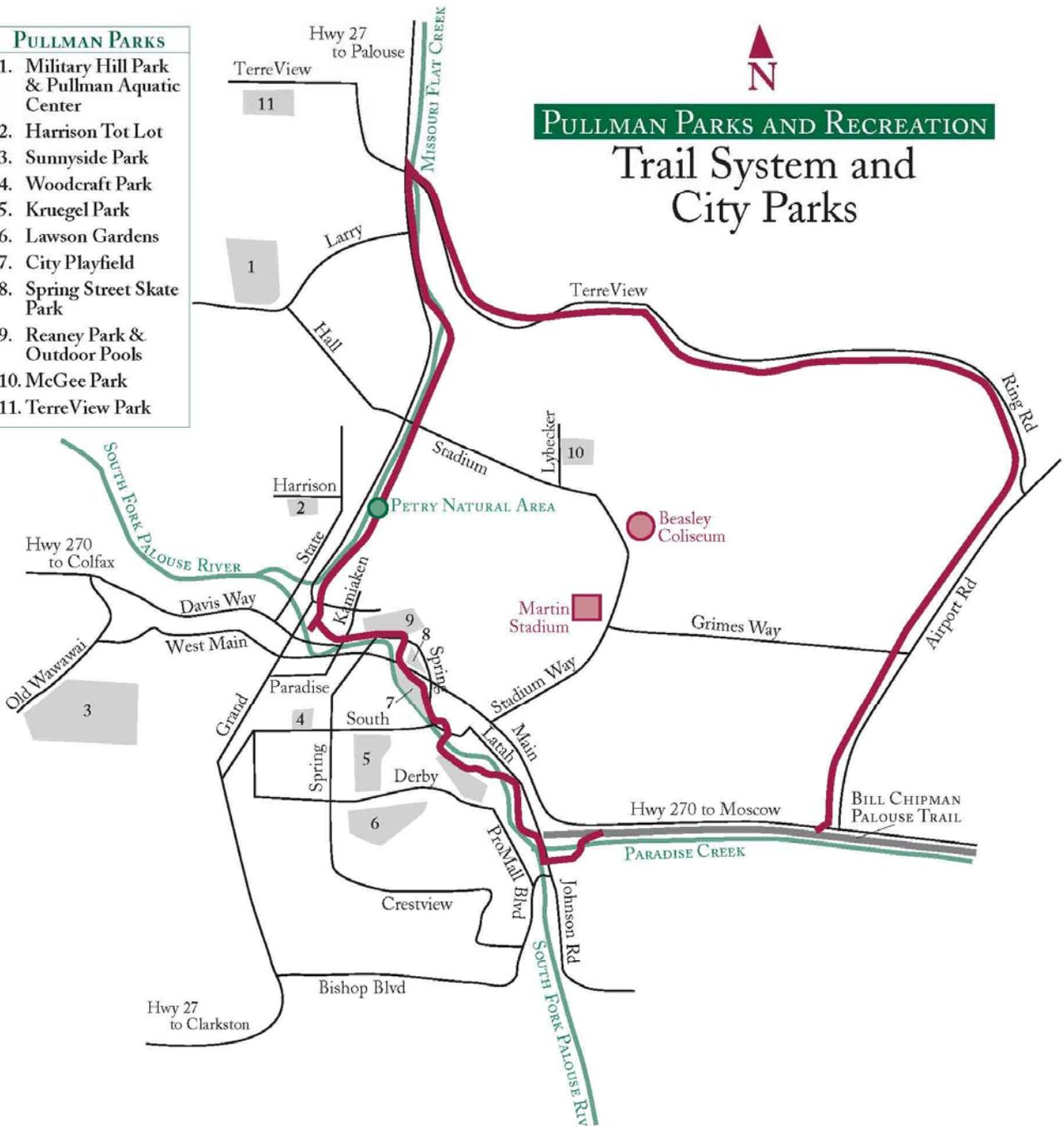
Appendix Section VIII



PULLMAN PARKS



- | PULLMAN PARKS | |
|---------------|---|
| 1. | Military Hill Park & Pullman Aquatic Center |
| 2. | Harrison Tot Lot |
| 3. | Sunnyside Park |
| 4. | Woodcraft Park |
| 5. | Kruegel Park |
| 6. | Lawson Gardens |
| 7. | City Playfield |
| 8. | Spring Street Skate Park |
| 9. | Reaney Park & Outdoor Pools |
| 10. | McGee Park |
| 11. | TerreView Park |



Kruegel Park Arial View



Lawson Gardens Arial View



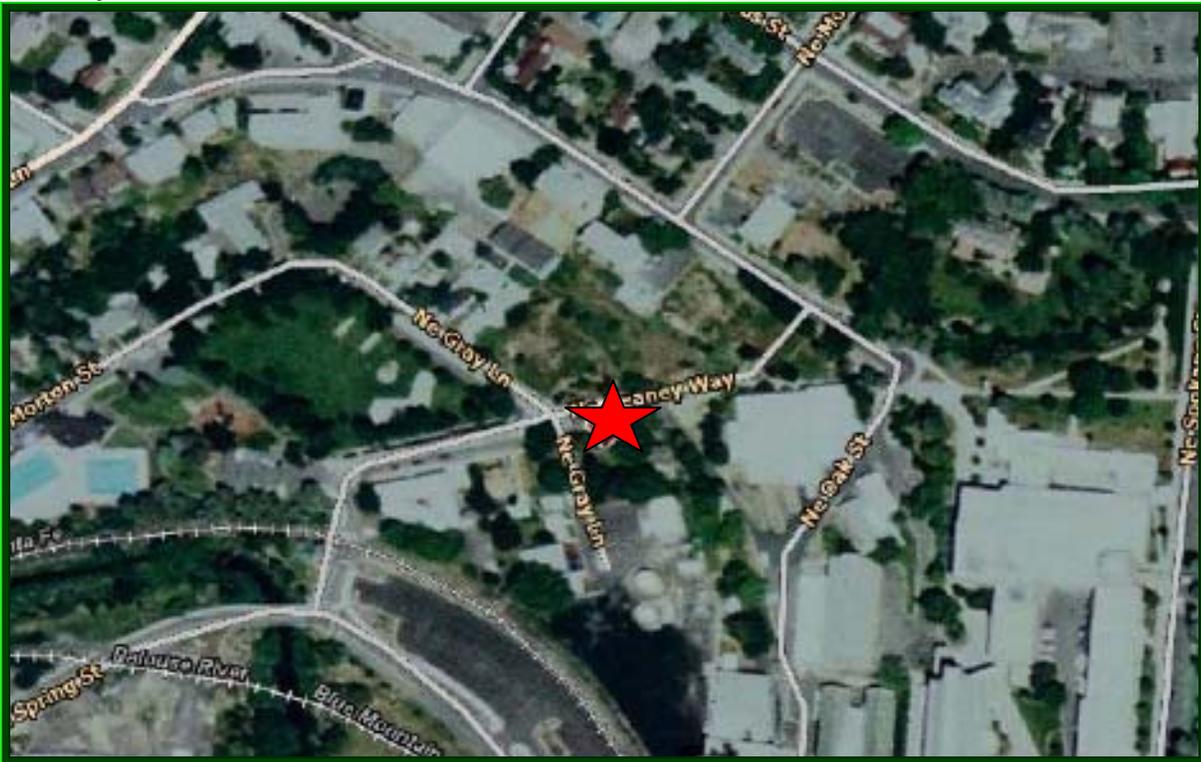
McGee Park Arial View



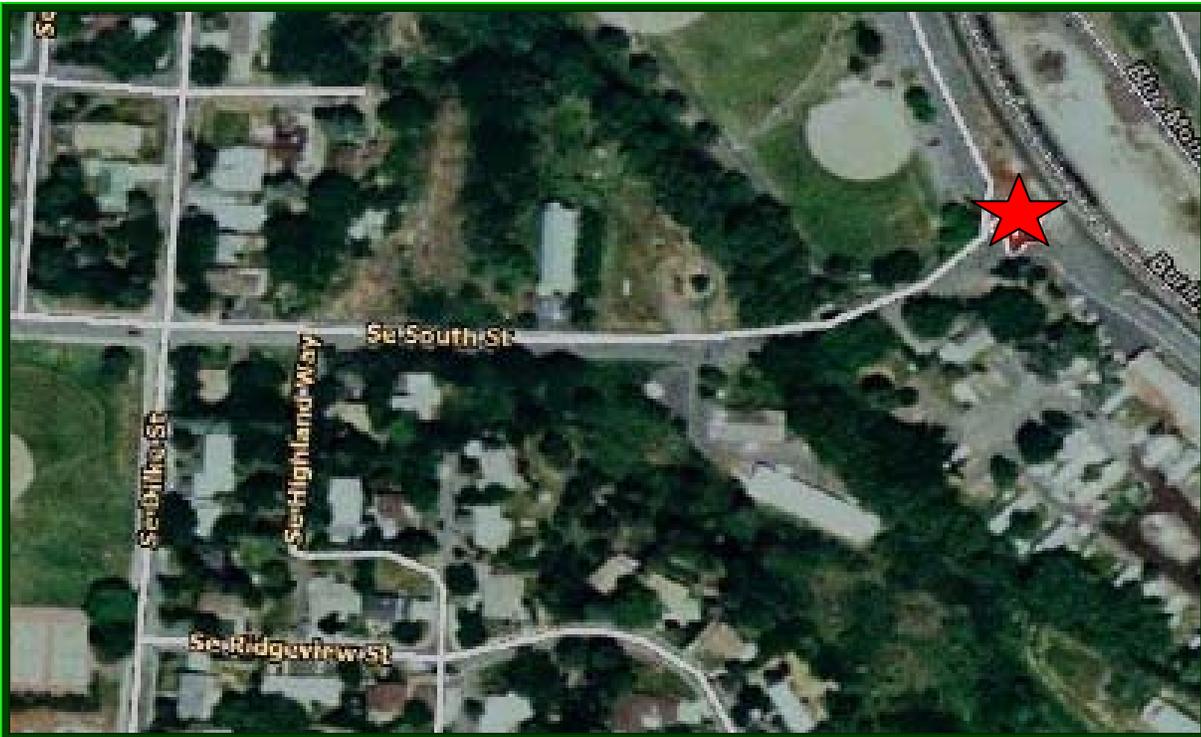
Military Hill Park Arial View



Reaney Park Arial View



RV Park Arial View



Spring Street Park Arial View



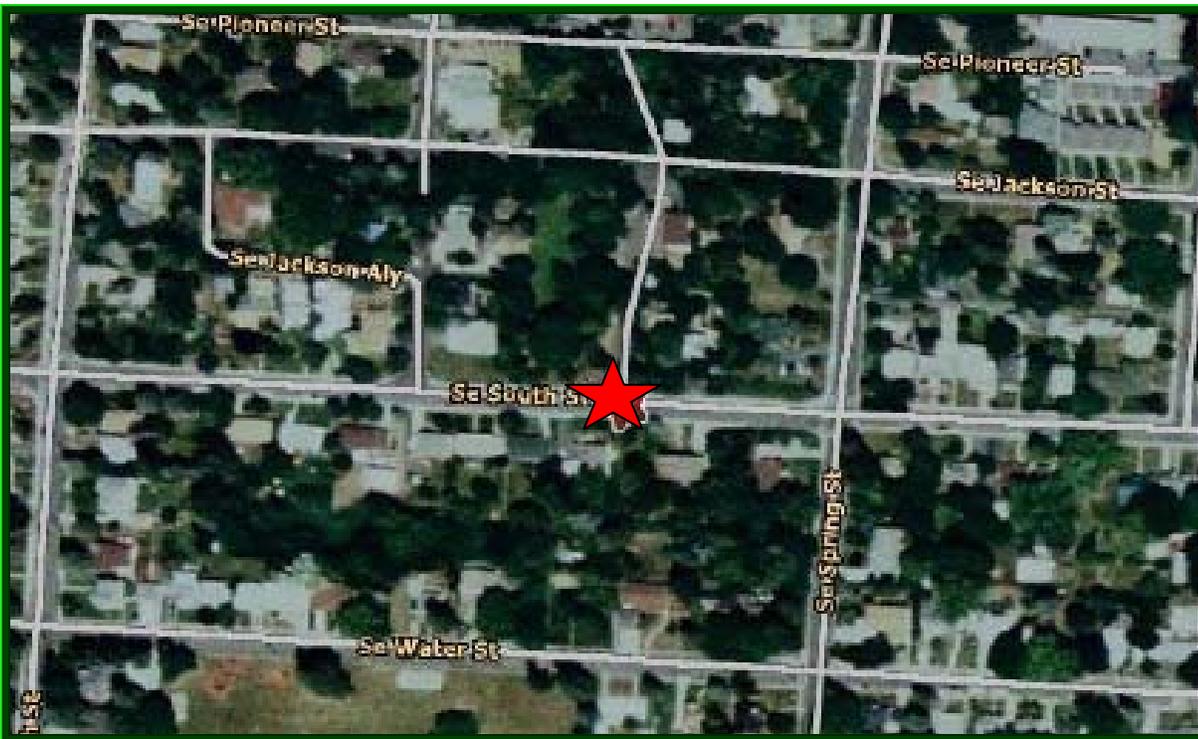
Sunnyside Park Arial View



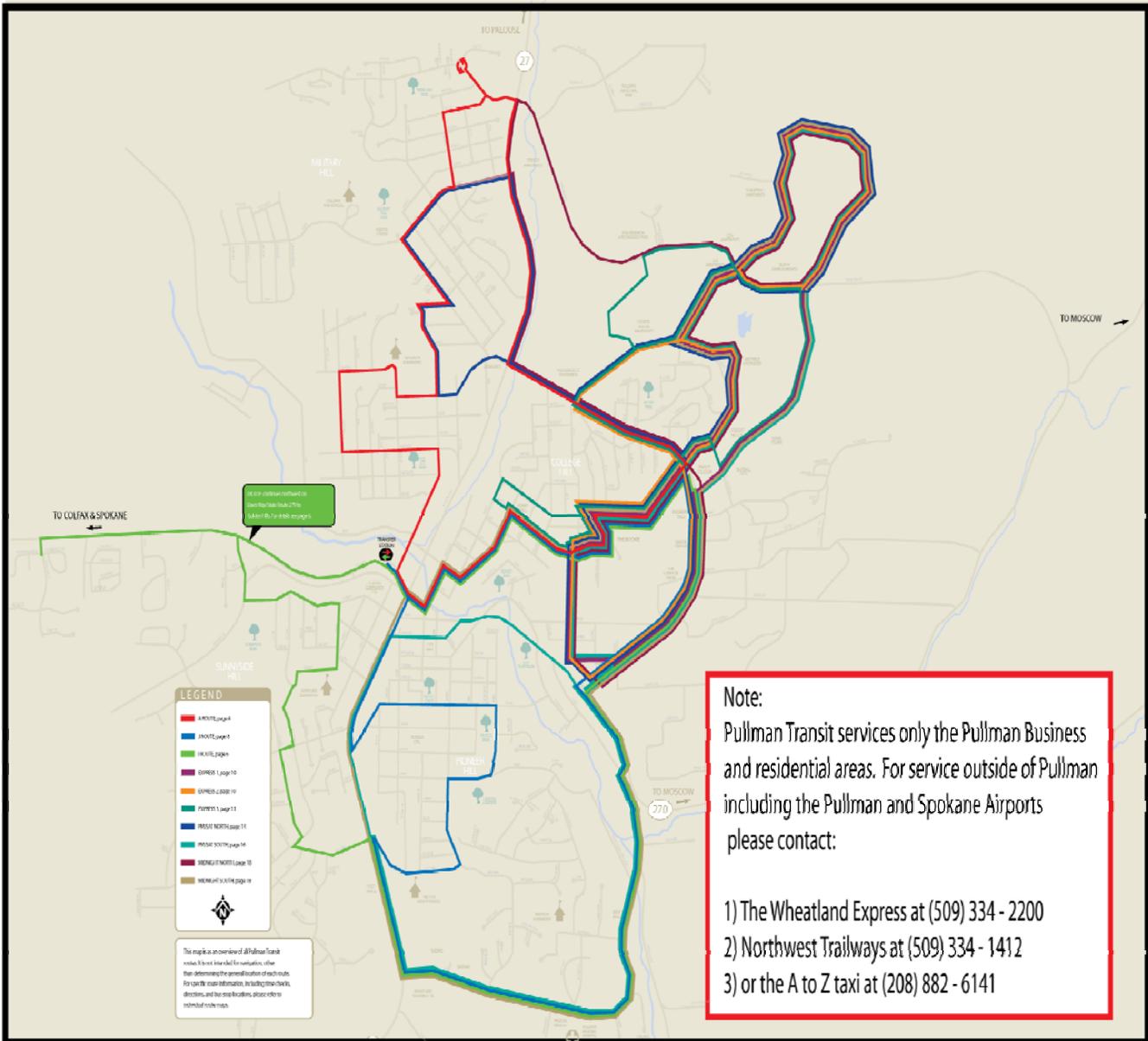
Terre View Park Arial View



Woodcraft Park Arial View



Pullman Transit System



City of Pullman Comprehensive Plan

Chapter Nine

Parks and Open Space Element

BACKGROUND

Pullman's public parks and recreational facilities provide a variety of recreational opportunities to residents (see Table 3-7). These amenities are supplemented by facilities at WSU, school district properties, and the Community Center located at City Hall.

Existing park and recreation facilities in the community have a strong, positive impact upon residents' quality of life. Maintaining these facilities for the continued enjoyment of citizens should continue to be a priority.

Access to public recreation facilities is also important. In order to maximize access, the city should consider park locations when planning pedestrian and bicycle trails, and transit lines.

User fees for programs can also work to restrict access. While it is important for programs to offset their costs to the greatest extent possible, user fees should be realistically structured to ensure access by lower income residents.

Recreational programs operated by the Public Services Department have proven to be popular among city residents. These programs should continue, but the department should evaluate them on an ongoing basis, in order to assure that they continue to reflect the interests of the community.

The city's teen center, located in the Gladish Building, reaches a special segment of the population in need of positive activities. These and other programs for youth should continue to be a priority.

The development of new recreational facilities will be needed to accommodate a growing population. The city will need to explore options to ensure the financial feasibility of new recreational facilities. Some of these options may include:

- private sector sponsorship of some recreational activities
- pursuit of state, federal and foundation grants for park development or expansion
- current city revenues or bond financing
- requirements for developer contributions, such as provision of park land or payment of fees to a fund for subsequent acquisition of park facilities

Riparian corridors and other open space areas represent unique recreational opportunities. Some of these areas could be used to connect current and future parks with pedestrian and bicycle trails, for the quiet enjoyment of residents. The shoreline of the South Fork of the Palouse River holds special significance to the community, and the city should place a priority upon acquiring parcels of land along the shoreline, as they become available.

Agreements to protect sensitive areas may be possible. The city should explore the possibility of providing regulatory and financial incentives to property owners and developers, in exchange for the protection of these areas.

Although there are parks in each of the residential neighborhoods (College, Pioneer, Sunnyside, and Military Hills) and downtown, they vary in size and development. Some neighborhoods have access to fewer recreation facilities than others. In order to accommodate expected growth without reducing the level of service to existing residents, it will be important to identify new park sites and develop them in a timely fashion. Towards this end, the city has acquired separate parcels of land on Military and Sunnyside Hills to eventually establish parks at these sites.

The Public Services Department is working to maintain existing parks and continue to offer recreation programs at current levels as demand increases due to growth. However, inflation and limited city funds make this increasingly challenging. Recreation participants are increasing approximately seven percent per year, depending upon the activity. The following goals and policies are aimed to meet the rise in demand, maintain and enhance local parks and recreational opportunities, and preserve natural resources.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE GOALS AND POLICIES

GOAL P1: Maximize the quality of life in Pullman by providing open space, trails, parks, and recreational opportunities and facilities throughout the community.

Policy P1.1: Establish level of service criteria for park land needs in the city.

Policy P1.2: Maintain flexibility about park size and facilities in order to take advantage of opportunities as they arise.

Policy P1.3: Disperse parks throughout the city to make parks available to the greatest number of people. Cooperate with public schools and other agencies to develop joint facilities where appropriate.

Policy P1.4: Attempt to acquire land for parks or recreational facilities that is accessible by public transit or pedestrian and bicycle trails.

Policy P1.5: Maintain recreation program user fees as low as possible in order to permit lower income households equal access as more affluent households.

Policy P1.6: Develop a network of recreational trails and bikeways throughout the community that will be accessible to all residents of Pullman, and offer a range of recreational challenge and scenic experience.

Policy P1.7: Cooperate with developers to provide parks and recreation facilities, including trails, at the time that development occurs in low- and high-density residential areas.

Policy P1.8: Extend city trails to connect to regional trails.

Policy P1.9: Retain neighborhood facilities at various locations in the city to help serve the cultural, recreational, and social needs of community residents.

GOAL P2: Assure the preservation and conservation of unique, fragile, scenic, and non-renewable natural resources.

Policy P2.1: Pursue funding sources for the acquisition and improvement of shoreline parcels within the city.

Policy P2.2: Develop the river park area from City Playfield to Grand Avenue to preserve the shoreline and provide recreational opportunities.

Policy P2.3: Explore the acquisition of significant habitat areas within the city on a case-by-case basis.

Policy P2.4: Work cooperatively with property owners and land developers to protect privately owned land with significant environmental features through the use of easements, zoning conditions, land trust agreements, or other appropriate means.

Policy P2.5: Require buildings to be set back from stream channels to provide open space for riparian areas.

GOAL P3: Maintain city parks and recreational facilities in good condition.

Policy P3.1: Consider operation and maintenance costs in the design of all park improvements and recreation facilities. These costs should be considered prior to acquiring new facilities.

Policy P3.2: Maintain a nursery for annual, perennial, and shrub production to reduce the cost of park maintenance.

Policy P3.3: Consider creative solutions to the ongoing costs of maintaining parks and recreation facilities, including sponsorship by business and civic groups and WSU internships and practicum.

Policy P3.4: Maintain and expand city cemetery facilities as necessary.

Policy P3.5: Periodically review the design of existing parks and renovate park facilities to reflect changing needs and desires of residents.

GOAL P4: Complete and protect a system of green belts, centered on streams and wildlife corridors, to protect natural resources and provide passive recreation.

Policy P4.1: Attempt to restore the South Fork of the Palouse River to a more natural appearance and function.

Policy P4.2: Protect riparian corridors along perennial streams from the adverse effects of development. Maintain a buffer of vegetation (preferably native vegetation) along all streams.

Policy P4.3: Whenever possible, establish greenways to link open space areas located in close proximity to one another.

This notice was placed in all March City of Pullman water bills.

City of Pullman Parks & Recreation Needs Assessment Survey

Pullman Parks & Recreation is seeking community input towards the development of the departments' 5 year plan. The Parks & Recreation Department is conducting a needs assessment survey that will help guide future planning and developments of park facilities and recreational activities.

To help formulate this plan, please go on line at <http://www.pullman-wa.gov/DrawOnePage.aspx?PageID=21> and follow the link to the survey or pick up a copy at the Pioneer Center, Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center, Neill Public Library or City Hall. The survey takes approximately 15 minutes and will be open until April 30th.

Parks & Recreation staff will host several open houses that will give citizens the opportunity to provide their ideas and suggestions to be integrated into the 5 year plan for the department.

Open Houses will be held at

**Pioneer Center, Barley Room on
April 10, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

**City Hall, Large Conference Room on
April 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Pioneer Center, Barley Room on
April 30, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Appendix 7

Posting on the City of Pullman Web Site:

Parks & Recreation 2008 Needs Assessment Survey

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To help formulate this plan, please click [2008 Needs Assessment Survey](#)

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CITY OF PULLMAN

Parks and Recreation
240 SE Dexter, Pullman, WA 99163
509-338-3227 Fax: 509-338-3313
Email: recreation@pullman-wa.gov
www.pullman-wa.gov

NEWS RELEASE: For Immediate Release:

Date: March 24, 2008

FROM: Kurt Dahmen, Recreation Superintendent, 338-3225

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Appendix 9

2008 Needs assessment on the city Of Pullman, Parks & Recreation web site, using Survey Monkey. This was used along with hard copies of the survey which was available for those who did not have internet access. Survey Monkey was used so that tabulation of data was easier to compile.

2008 Pullman Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Survey

1. Demographics

1. Sex of Respondent

Female
 Male

2. Age of Respondent

10-17 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65+

3. Counting yourself, how many people currently live in your household, including children?

4. If you have children at home, what are their ages?

Children ages	1st child	2nd child	3rd child	4th child	5th child
	<input type="text"/>				

5. How long have you lived in Pullman?

0-5 years
 6-10 years
 11-15 years
 15+ years
 Do not live within the City of Pullman, but use or participate in Parks & Recreation offerings.

6. Your occupation

<input type="radio"/> Government	<input type="radio"/> Retired
<input type="radio"/> Homemaker	<input type="radio"/> Student
<input type="radio"/> Private employer	<input type="radio"/> WSU Staff/Faculty
<input type="radio"/> Professional	<input type="radio"/> Other

7. Choose the area in Pullman in which your residence is located.

College Hill
 Military Hill
 Pioneer Hill
 Sunnyside Hill
 Other areas of Pullman
 Do not live within the City of Pullman

2008 Pullman Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Survey

2. Use of Existing Park & Recreation Facilities

8. For the facilities listed below, please indicate how many times you or others in your household have used the facility over the past 12 months. If visited, please rate your level of satisfaction with the facility.

	Number of Visits	Level of Satisfaction
Chipman Trail (Pullman to Moscow)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
City Playfields	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
City Trail System	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Harrison Tot Lot	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Kruegel Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Lawson Gardens	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
McGee Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Military Hill Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Pullman Cemeteries	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Reaney Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Spring Street Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Sunnyside Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Terreview Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Woodcraft Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

9. Additional comments on park facilities.

10. Please list additional local facilities visited in the past 12 months not listed above.

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

2008 Pullman Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Survey

11. How frequently do you or others in your household use the following facilities or activity areas in the Pullman Parks & Recreation System. If used, please rate your level of satisfaction with the facility or activity area.

	Number of Uses	Level of Satisfaction
Aquatic Center Fitness Room	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Aquatic Center Pools	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Basketball Courts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Baseball Fields	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Disc Golf	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Jogging/Exercise Trails	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Natural Areas	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Open Fields/Practice Areas	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Picnic Shelters	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Pioneer Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Playgrounds	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Reaney Pools	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Senior Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Skate Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Softball Fields	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Tennis Courts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

12. Additional comments regarding facilities or activity areas.

13. Based on your experience, do you feel additional parks or park facilities are needed within the City of Pullman at the present time?

- Yes
 No

14. If you answered yes to question #13, what types of facilities are needed?

- A.
 B.
 C.

15. Where should these facilities be located?

- A.
 B.
 C.

2008 Pullman Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Survey

3. Program Participation

16. Please indicate if you or others in your household participated in one of the recreation and/or sports programs listed below. If you answered yes, please rate your level of satisfaction.

	Participation	Level of Satisfaction
A. Active adult (50+) programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
B. Active adult (50+) travel programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
C. Adult art programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
D. Adult dance programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
E. Adult fitness programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
F. Adult general recreation programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
G. Adult outdoor recreation programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
H. Adult sports programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
I. Adult/teen swim lessons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
J. Aquatic Center special programs (events)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
K. Lap swimming	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
L. Personal training	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
M. Preschool programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
N. Senior Center programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
O. Special events (Egg Hunt, Halloween Carnival, Concerts in the Park)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
P. Water exercise programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Q. Youth art/music programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
R. Youth dance/theater programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
S. Youth sports camps	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
T. Youth sports programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
U. Youth summer camp programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
V. Youth swim lessons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

17. Which four of the programs listed above are most important to your household?

	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice
Importance.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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2008 Pullman Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Survey

18. Additional comments on recreation and/or sports programs.

19. Please rate you overall satisfaction with Pullman Parks & Recreation.

- Very Satisfied
 Satisfied
 Neutral
 Dissatisfied
 Very Dissatisfied

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4. Care-To-Share

The Pullman Parks & Recreation Care-To-Share program has been established through private donations from individuals and businesses. This program provides financial assistance to low income individuals to help cover registration fees for youth through 17 years of age who reside in the Pullman School District and for Senior Adults 60 years of age and older who reside in the City of Pullman.

20. Are you familiar with this program for low income children and senior adults?

- Yes
 No

21. Have you used the youth Care-to-Share program?

- Yes
 No

22. Have you used the senior adult Care-to-Share program?

- Yes
 No

23. Have you ever donated to the Care-to-Share program?

- Yes
 No

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5. Future Planning

24. If the City of Pullman Parks & Recreation Department were to develop a new community center, how frequently would you or others in your household use the following activities/facilities?

	Often	Sometimes	Seldom	Never
A. Aerobics/Dance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
B. Arts/Crafts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
C. Climbing Wall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
D. Fitness Room	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
E. Leisure/Lap Pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
F. Meeting/Conference/Banquet Space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
G. Multi-Court Gymnasium	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
H. Performing Arts/Theater	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I. Pool with Spray Features/Water Slides	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
J. Racquetball Courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
K. Senior Center	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
L. Teen Center	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
M. Walking/Jogging Track	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

25. Which four of the amenities listed above are most important to you and your household?

	1st choice	2nd choice	3rd choice	4th choice
Your top choices	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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26. The list below are possible actions that the City of Pullman could take to improve the Parks & Recreation system. Please indicate your level of support for each of the options listed below.

	Very supportive	Somewhat supportive	Not sure	Do not support
Develop a dog park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Develop new recreation/community center	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Develop new walking/biking trails/connect existing trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Develop new youth/adult athletic fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fix-up/repair historic cemeteries	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Purchase land to develop athletic fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Purchase land to preserve open space/green space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Remodel/repair old park buildings/facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Upgrade existing neighborhood/community parks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Upgrade existing youth/adult athletic fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

27. Additional comments.

28. OPTIONAL: To be entered into a drawing for an annual membership to the Pullman Aquatic & Fitness Center and to receive results of this survey, please complete the information below.

Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Comments from open houses

Improvement at City RV Park – Handicap site – Restroom with showers
Outdoor pool Reaney – wading pool or shallow entry for very young children
Working shades for windows at Pioneer Center
Fully fenced area t Pioneer Center for preschool and very young children – Keep and post as non-dog area of use.
Water Kruegel Park less, it is spongy and update irrigation system to monitor wind, and existing conditions.
Use more drought tolerant grasses.
Use permeable pavers at Lawson Gardens and on all new paved areas
Bike Park
Indoor Play Center. Good stuff at www.kompan.com
Indoor soccer for kids up at WSU rec center
Ultimate Frisbee for adults
Dog Park, down and across bridge from Koppel Farm Plots.
Pedestrian Pathways (to include crossing on busy streets, e.g. Grand and Center)
Dog Park
Shad Options
More parks, especially in the new areas.
Plant with drought tolerant and native plants, with plans to water/irrigate less.
More soccer fields
Water play at Reaney, but leave Reaney pool safe and simple (Keep Reaney Pool)
Keep lap lanes functioning at Reaney Pool.

Comments from Survey

9. Additional comments on park facilities.

The tennis courts at Sunnyside are located in a sort of depressed area and have a mosquito problem in the summer. Maybe some bat houses or plantings nearby that could attract birds and other mosquito eating wildlife would help this problem. I seem to remember that you spray for mosquitoes but that never seems to do a lot of good.

Fine

Need recycle bins

To many bees at Tot Lot, need slides at Military Hill & Places for small kids to climb

Need 1-2 soccer fields

Need to be better maintained before we talk about building anything more!!! Oddfellows Cemetery needs better car, quit trying to mow the whole thing with a riding mower, use a push mower around head stones to avoid damaging them and to save time and fuel, use rider only for the remaining straight always--no need to water for 10 hours a day in the same spots.

Terraview park pond needs to be cleared of cattails and cleaned of algae

cost, maintenance poor, pathway roots growing through asphalt, grass too long on little league fields.

Terreview Park pond has become cat tail and algae infested over the past 4 years. A mosquito problem has developed last year.

only complaint was that the sprinklers came on at McGee Park during our time of use

There needs to be water fountains on the Chipman Trail. The one for the dogs/people doesn't work

Dog play area would be nice. Unmonitored outdoor bouldering structure would be great.

Portapots need cleaning & pumping with greater regularity. Heated year round restrooms

Not happy with bathroom (new location) at Kruegel Park. Previous location better. Dogs and Children should be more welcome at Lawson

Keep working on the trail system - it is shaping up nicely!

The restrooms are dismal & disgusting

Dog Waste is a turn off

Military Park improvements have been good but there is still concrete around the play structures that is dangerous for children

More trees should be planted in Military Hill Park

Parking is an issue when there are large gatherings

better restroom facilities would be great at parks, Chipman trail near destroyed grain silo smells like sewage lately- please see to this!

I think that a dog park should be built in Pullman.

If the bathrooms at woodcraft aren't going to be maintained, it might be better to close them

Sunnyside is a great park!

Dissatisfaction due to unclean/non-existent bathrooms; Sunnyside park pond is being over-run by goldfish and in general is very filthy

bath rooms could be kept up or monitored somehow

I have a dog and I pick up after my dog. I am not satisfied with the parks because sometimes there is not a garbage can to be found, or the garbage cans are constantly being moved, and this winter there was only one garbage can at the playfields-- rain, snow or shine there needs to be garbage's. Pet owners do not want to carry dog feces in a bag... 2 miles-- a lot of dog owners opt to leave it. Also, the Chipman trail needs more garbage's-- every spring the entry to the trail behind the Quality Inn is disgusting because there is so much dog feces on the trail when the snow melts.

Take grandchildren to parks. They are very nice.

Please replace broken wooden platform at Sunnyside park with monkey bars

Please do NOT build a concert stage in the play field at Sunnyside park

Really wish there was a place in Pullman that dogs could socialize off leash, all of us dog owners really miss Roundtop Park!

We have had some trouble with reservations not being posted at Sunnyside Park.

restrooms need improvement

I walked through McGee Park when I lived on Hillside... it was dark and the brush near the path was quite intimidating late at night. There were times I would walk up to Valley to Wheatland to avoid the park.

I would like to see more pedestrian/bike access (trails) between parks and around town.

It would be fun to have a native botanical gardens for the city of Pullman.

Shade is the biggest improvement.

Well tended. kids used to play in them. good things to have.

I would like to take my leashed dog to the undeveloped part of Lawson Gardens

I'm happy to see so many nice parks in Pullman

Very fortunate to have so many fine parks in this size town.

too much trash, Lawson used for dogs, picnics, playing, picking flowers, not peaceful enjoyment. Also, the chain across the garden driveway must be put up at sunset to reduce the frequent misuse of the garden at night. Activities observed by myself and other neighbors at night include vandalism, alcohol and drug use and mischief. Mr. Lawson did not intend for this garden to be a picnic/playground/wedding catering establishment. Please reconsider large multipurpose reception building. This is a violation of his purpose and the public trust.

the new restrooms in Kruegel Park are in the middle of a lovely slope, why not consolidate the buildings into a "core" and allow the open space to remain open? This response goes for all city park facilities, allow the open space to remain un-impeded.

It would be nice if the trail going to N along hwy27 was finished and distance markers on all trails were better and more frequent. Also it would be nice if those who allow their dogs to litter the trails could be caught.

Parks staff at Sunnyside Park- seasonal cleanup-needs PR training; rude to this parks visitors.

we do have grandchildren who visit often and love the parks and the swimming pools

leave sledding areas at Kruegel alone

Bathrooms are what bring down the ratings. That and so may of the parks in in full sun and are unusable in summer.

Need to complete trails system

I'd like more plants (trees, flowers), more isolation from traffic and it's noise

Could you measure the trail at Sunnyside park so we know how far we walk.

I am happy there are restroom upgrades going on. They were badly needed. Water fountains would be nice, too.

We have wonderful parks which are well used. As Pullman grows more large parks are clearly needed.

need more garbage cans around parks, there are non up at Mill hill park, broken toys, icky bathrooms

Nice park system for a small town.

Restrooms in Kruegel are dated. Need more bike paths to new development. Get people off streets. Overall Good Job. A sledding hill is need in Pullman with no obstructions

Please repair and improve the Military Hill Park/PHS trail. Thank you!

It would be nice to have the trail system extend out to the south side of town

we need a Hamilton Low Rec center for indoor basket ball for boys ages 9-15 badly

Would appreciate having bathrooms available through the year as summer is not the ONLY time children need to use them!!!

A dog run area is really needed. Too many pet owners have their dogs off their leashes in the parks.

Could you place signs for distance walked on trail, as at playfield?

Mostly Satisfactory - sometimes litter has been an issue in Sunnyside park and on the City Trails. Better lighting would benefit the city trails in the Winter.

would like to see a fence/rope fence/etc. along pathway of playfield walk on side of street (kid's jut out on bikes;cars drive fast); fence along play area of Dilke at Kruegel

Harrison Tot Lot is very hot in the afternoons (no shade) and there were a LOT of bees/wasps. Also, their sprinklers sprayed my car on the street.

Restroom facilities are generally deficient or not available.

The Pullman Parks are great. Keep up the good work and more of it.

The city playfields could benefit from some upgrades to the softball field area - bleachers, dugouts, scoring boxes

Overall, considering Pullman's resources, EXCELLENT

It sure would be nice to get a permanent bathroom facility down near the end baseball field...

The only reason that I was only satisfied with Reaney park is that there was a group of boys (ages 4-7 or so) that we hitting other kids with sticks while their mom's just watched/talked.

Plan on using Chipman Trail for bicycling this summer.

Rest rooms could be improved.

I am satisfied with the play "structures" at Harrison Tot Lot, but not the maintenance of equipment (esp. swings and water fountain)

They are OK.

would be nice to have hard surfaced walkways (especially Lawson Gardens) for wheelchairs

Bigger slides!

Please please please continue development on the park/trail system in the Itani Sunnyside Height development!!!!!! It will increase the use of Sunnyside park as well.

Problem with the bark at Sunnyside, causing slivers.

Improve and add bathrooms with easier access to the bathrooms, especially at the City Play Fields. Covers/shading needs to be installed over the dugouts at the City Play Fields. Seating is needed at the baseball field at Sunnyside Park.

need better lighting

12. Additional comments regarding facilities or activity areas.

Aquatic Center is not very clean

Roots pushing up trail payment at city playfields and some city trails.

cleaner bathroom facilities

Major wasp problems at the picnic shelter last year,

More maps or indicators for Disc Golf Course

I enjoy the water exercise very much both at the Aquatic Center and Reaney Pool (summer)

Nice upkeep in general. Appreciate the connectivity between parks

Work to keep Pioneer Center clean. Aim to keep fitness equipment & programming fresh and current.

The summer Aquacise at Reaney park is fabulous!!!

The city could upgrade this facility and slightly increase fees and be a nicer more desired and busy park.

There needs to be more trees, for shade.

Baseball fields need seating; softball field needs good water fountains

The trail that runs next to N. Grand, behind the old Railroad storage facilities-- needs attention-- the residents who live in the apartments above the trail, throw bottles, cigarette butts, garbage down onto the trail. Every time I walk by, I am afraid my dog will be injured by all the broken glass. The apartment company needs to be held responsible for their tenants. Also, there is foamy water running from a pipe that drains into paradise creek. If you kept going straight on Derby, (where it turns into Professional mall blvd) you can see the pipe going into the creek.

Reaney Pool should be open into the evening in summer. Aquatic Center pools not run well, often dirty, lap pool too warm. Where are natural areas?

Please do NOT build a concert stage in Sunnyside park

Kruegel Park need improved picnic facility and restrooms. Good children's facilities

I hate that all the jogging trails and paths are located next to the road, especially when there is so much loose gravel after winter and it gets kicked up... also given that Pullman is in a rural area I am suprised that there is no nature paths on some of the hills away from the roads... Pullman should take a cue from Camel's Back Park in Boise, Id to have an appropriate park for children and adults that want to enjoy hiking, biking, jogging away from car and truck exhaust and paths that are not asphalt and easy on the joints... the recreation in this city is VERY VERY DISAPPOINTING given the potential of being in a rural community

The senior center is great! i especially like the lunches, writing classes, playing bridge, chances to eat out in restaurants, and shopping trips.

need shower curtains that close all the way across the front; appropriate gender dressing room should be required at age 6, not only recommended

I would like to see more pedestrian access (trails) between parks and around town.

Shade over play area

i walk my dog on grounds of pioneer center

Greatly appreciate the upgrading and care to our existing parks and paths.

All public areas in Pullman should contain recycling facilities to encourage more responsible waste treatment and increase environmental awareness. Any trash should be picked up regularly.

The trash pick-up is intermittent; add recycling containers to park facilities.

would use aquatic facilities more if locker/change rooms were cleaner

Pioneer Center photography class not as described in brochure. Only for advanced phographers.

Please re-instate drop-in option and half-session option for fitness classes.

We are truly blessed to have such wonderful facilities

Aquatic center needs better temperature control on their showers. The door to the women's room is so heavy kids cannot open it on their own.

I would like more unpaved trails in natural areas, such as some of the Sunnyside Park trails. Perhaps that trail could be expanded. I have also used the cemetery trails for walking exercise.

Bathrooms/showers bad, won't let my daughter in them, rather drive all the way home then use them. Also Pullman needs a Aquatic Center similar to Moscow, we go there everyday in the summer, I know tons of other families that would use a water park daily.

McGee park baseball field too small due to basketball court

Need to improve city-wide trail system for better transport throughout city in lieu of autos or buses.

city fields for baseball is extremely dangerous for little ones with the parking lot

Reaney pool needs a shallow pool suitable for infants and toddlers to play in.

Would love to see Pioneer Center outdoor B-ball court resurfaced. Also resurface Kruegel tennis courts.

Reaney Pools could use lap swims in the mornings. Sunnyside Park Disc Golf could use upkeep - I have personally installed one basket. Disc Golf is an increasing sport for many college students, and the course could use upkeep and more support from the city. You can call Jason Larsen 509/339.5464 if you have any questions.

Would LOVE to see a Pullman-Moscow Indoor Playground for kids and families (long winters; low opportunity for gross motor activity) . . . I'll open this if the cities won't! :)

An elderly friend goes to the senior center regularly, and has said positive things about that and the senior van pick-up as well.

Need more camping spaces

Picnic shelter reservation system @ Kruegel Park seems unreliable; swings at Kruegel Park playground need some repair/attention

just again, maintenance of military hill tot lot

They are OK.

WSU Facilities are better

Please add more basketball court facilities to our parks. I would really like to get a playground of dreams going too.

I LOVE the lap pool at the aquatics center. This is the BEST exercise - I thank you for supporting it.

Reaney pools too deep for toddler age. Closes too early in summer to do lap swims after work.

Need shower in "family" bathroom for mothers with opposite sex children

Aquatic Center needs exercise equipment updated.

14a. If you answered yes to question #13, what types of facilities are needed?

Dog Park definitely needed

Water Park like Moscow

Soccer fields

play parks

A middle school soccer program through parks & rec

More attraction type parks (flower beds/wooded areas)

More bike trails

Soccer Fields

Dog exercise field

Just keep up current

Dog park

Dog Park

Additional adult space

Dog Park - Large enough to allow dogs to exercise freely

City park located in older part of Military Hill

Fully enclosed, large, shelters

RV parks

The skate park is OK for skaters, but what about bikers

A dog park is greatly needed in this town.

we would like the trail to Sunnyside park to be completed (from center st/litani st to the park)

dog park

indoor or under cover sports area for courts and practices and cages for baseball and golf

indoor sports area with courts, cages for golf and baseball as we could have year around sports practices and exercise areas

maintain the parks and trails we have

upgrade outdoor pool

upgrade existing area

Pullman should continue to expand green areas

Parks for green spaces and children's' areas

more paths and trails that are not next to roads

A "dog park"

I believe restrooms and indoor options are important for Lawson Gardens.

I would like to see more pedestrian access (trails) between parks and around town.

shade

But as city grows, facilities are needed

Trail system South Grand Avenue

More toddler equipment

additional open space for free-use

Expansion of city trail system; wonderful quality-of-life asset for the city!

more comfortable seating

More Little League & Pony League Baseball Fields

Dog Park

Dog Park

Dog park

indoor children's playground, mostly for preschoolers

nature reserves

large indoor practice/sport facilities for yoga, b-ball, soccer

More trails to complete the system

Parks

Improved indoor and outdoor pool

More unpaved trails in additional natural areas

More large parks

Aquatic center (like Moscow), slides

bike trails and pocket parks to/within new subdivisions

Dog park so dogs can run and play and not interfere w/human activities

As city grows, city parks will be needed within walking distance

More biking/hiking trails

indoor park for long winters/recreation center

indoor basketball court

Bathrooms at Tot lot

Additional basketball courts

Dog park

a dog park is needed

dog park so dogs can exercise and not conflict with people activities

bike trails connecting the facilities

Itani park and path to Sunnyside need to be completed

INDOOR PLAYGROUND FACILITY (year round gross motor)

camping spaces with hookups

Additional walking/jogging paths

More parks

What would be nice, although not sure if it's your dept., is an indoor playground area. It's essentially McDonalds or nothing.

It would be nice to have a park a little more within walking distance, with playground for both toddlers and older kids

n/a

Would like to see some improvement to the trail between Jack in the Box and Terre View along the creek.

Baseball Complex for Youth age 13-18; Pony & Babe Ruth Field Dimensions

complete trail Itani Park to Sunnyside Park

More tennis courts and basketball courts. Courts are always full, especially at Sunnyside. Basketball courts would be GREAT at Sunnyside park.

Itani Sunnyside Heights Trail system/park

playground

Additional facilities are not needed, but improvement to the existing facilities are needed.

More indoor basketball courts/gyms

More green Spaces

Gym space

14b. If you answered yes to question #13, what types of facilities are needed?

Wind mill park - lets show our kids how!

open green spaces

Green bike program

Heated restrooms in walking area

I guess more trails would be nice

continuing expansion of trails

Dog run (WHS might count here)

safety of the city... first

improve fields at city play fields

buy green spaces

No - concert stage in park

more parks so that kids don't overwhelm the few that do exist and create safety issues

I am pleased to hear the bathrooms are being upgraded.

more advance equipment

Nicer outdoor pool with lawn area.

additional soccer fields

No expansion of facilities at Lawson Gardens; maintain the serenity of a memorial garden! I am very worried about the idea of a monstrous reception facility in the Garden.

Softball Complex

park with playground geared between tot lot and the older playgrounds

offer more open gym time for kids during the summer in the hot afternoons

More green space visible from major roads

Indoor play center for kids (jungle gym, etc)

toddler area

New playground equipment at Sunnyside park

Nature park/picnic areas

Improve RV Park

running/walking/jogging paths connecting facilities

Bike/walking paths - Wawawai Road

Anything that provides families with young children to be active

Generally, better connectivity and aesthetic improvements between Stadium and the downtown area along the creek.

Large Scale Batting Cage (4-6 person)

More basketball hoops and courts!

dog park

More trails

14c. If you answered yes to question #13, what types of facilities are needed?

Retry recycle bins in parks

Bouldering structure

Adult obstacle course

Soccer Fields

kids have no place to go on hot afternoons to play

trails

bike trails all over

Anywhere in Pullman

Playfield

Centrally

Centrally located

Periphery - if it's adult use field space, driving is fine

Within walking distance of Pullman

Foot of Darrow Street/Bluff above Palouse River

Parks

expand Pioneer Center

I feel that it should be located near other parks that are along the Chipman trail, that way the dog park may be incorporated into a daily walk along the trail.

in fenced-in area of an existing park

in a vacant building-gut it and refurbish

anywhere vacant-maybe attached to the aquatic center, or snap or gut a vacant building

In expanded annexed areas of growth

within city limits

Anywhere that dogs could be off leash.

Something around Bishop Blvd. and down the south side of Grand, connecting to cemetery, etc.

where town is growing

School property and along east side of Dry Fork Creek

at paradise creek, along ProMall Drive

in all parks

LL Baseball Fields - at the current City Ball Fields

Anywhere in town
near WSU if possible, on College Hill
YMCA facility
Along the rivers
Military hill
Perhaps an extended Sunnyside Park area, and more trails in Lawson Gardens
Near or in the new neighborhoods.
anywhere in the Pullman City limits
Pioneer Center
Copper Basin Development (near High School)
anywhere
pioneer hill
Basketball courts at Pioneer Center or Kruegel park
scenic areas
not sure where it could go
extend sidewalks
Safe parking, restroom use, meal accessibility considerations (Sunnyside Hill area); maybe by ACE
Areas of town that do not have paths
In areas that are under development (Sunnyside, NE Pullman)
Sunnyside hill, near the top of SW Crestview Street
n/a
McGee Park
Sunnyside
See above.
Itani-Sunnyside Heights!!!!!!
Sunnyside
all over town

15b. Where should these facilities be located?

On city owned hill or 2 or 3
Out of Pullman (North of Pullman, South of Pullman)
green bike kiosk at each park and Chipman trail
Reaney, Sunnyside Parks
Everywhere!
create another RV park elsewhere in the city
Attach it to the aquatic center or snap or...
within 1 mile radius of city limits
Softball Complex - ?
privately operated facility
Perhaps a dedicated rural park with trails and picnic tables closer to town than the county parks
widen roads

Sunnyside Park

Just update and add more to our existing parks.

Kruegel

15c. Where should these facilities be located?

Bouldering structure at Sunnyside

Existing park

use the area behind the high school tennis courts-the field not in use

at opposite ends of town for equal access among residents and so that one place is not soooo busy equipment and trails cannot be enjoyed

Soccer Fields - ?

18. Additional comments on recreation and/or sports programs

Pool not clean enough: special events are great! Adult Softball needs better lighting

Getting too many, some are beginning to compete with private businesses.

Would like to see a middle school soccer program for 6-8th graders, also more and better prizes for Easter egg hunt

A community bike program would be a nice addition... free of charge bike rental and return area.

Lap swimming hours sometimes overlap with lessons, swim team practice/events

The variety of routines keeps water exercise interesting and appropriate for a variety of ages

Only have done the teen rafting trip it was great

Miss Liz & Miss Jean are incredible!!!

It is difficult to find toddler/preschool programs after work hours (8am-5pm)

youth baseball program is too competitive

swim lessons for the kids is too basic and they do a little too much playing

the aquatic center is a great facility that we really enjoy, but the lessons could be better- if the teacher is not in the water with the kids, forget it.

aquatic center is hard to breath in with poor ventilation

Reaney park and it's pool is a wonderful asset to summer enjoyment--Include. Concerts and picnic facil.

keep up the nice variety for adults!

I was frustrated last summer when my son had to be enrolled in a swim class that was under his ability due to lack of attendance, and then the whole session the instructor told us that he needed the class he was originally signed up for.

bike club for rides

Jennifer Anderson is such a caring friend to seniors. she is truly a gem and asset to the senior program. she's a gifted teacher, too.

I have enjoyed the computer programs and I would like to take the writing program next time

Our children participated in many of the youth programs. This is a very important part of programs offered.

Lawson Gardens should remain open and undetermined space

would like youth soccer in summer and adult soccer league

Fitness program need a Tone and Stretch-type class, plus continued yoga us a must-yoga flow plus meditative style

some of my grandchildren have participated in youth swim and summer camps when they are here

more older teen programs

they are wonderful

What about an adult soccer league????????? soccer clinic for adults

Dance classes would have been fun but time didn't work.

I would like to see an ongoing weekly art/craft program that would be available to adults with moderate dementia or other limitation who would enjoy such activities but need extra help and supervision

Staff at pool don't have "act" together. Not informed on cancellations/times of programs...confusing for attendees.

Need better trail system, a way of life rather than a special program.

I miss the quality aerobics teachers of about 6 years ago-would sign up for more fitness if there were better programs offered such as step aerobics.

I, or my grandsons, have used more of the programs, just not in the last year.

All above are important

FYI, now that daughter is grown up, youth activities don't matter

Water aerobics instructors were not always available.

Want to participate more (with kids and for self) . . . but very difficult due to childcare issues

I use the aquatic center's work-out room daily, M-F. this is a GREAT facility and very inexpensive, which is great because we exist on only my husband's income.

We have a 1 year old and anticipate participating in future parks and rec programs for him.

No Comment

Do we a summer soccer league?

My children loved all the programs they attended over the years.

Organization of all programs is great! Improvement needs to be made within the programs i.e. egg hunt needs to be a little more challenging for the older participants; need to have an intermediate baseball program from Rookie League to Pullman Youth Baseball; Aquatic Pool is too cold for lessons for younger kids.

Need more week-long sports camps (like Skyhawks), Need 1/2 day summer programs & Full day summer programs

27. Additional comments.

a water slide would be dangerous: Vacation @ Vegas had 4 ft pool & just fine for non swimmers like me: Make a crypt at Lawson Garden for urns & ashes to be scattered on premises - make more \$\$

Everything we have now should be in tip top shape before we even think of taking on more. This included public works things like streets.

We have great facilities, just need some updating!!

Thanks for giving people the opportunity to share!

I think a green bike program to connect downtown with the university would be beneficial to local businesses

When our kids were younger we used a lot of the facilities and programs. Scheduling soccer practices and games was also difficult because of the lack of fields.

Heated restrooms at playfield, skate park and other parks where people walk, run, sled, year round

Although our family may not always use these facilities, they are important to the community

Restrooms must be improved

Good luck getting the money!

Pullman really needs a dog park!

Pullman has very nice parks-lets keep them that way (good bathrooms, plenty of trash bins emptied often, etc)

Don't really feel we can afford a new community center. Should take care of what we have.

Please - better enforcement of Leash laws

Consider removing the exercise facility at the Aquatic center due to new competition.

in favor of new walking trails and facilities rather than upgrading existing facilities which seem to be okay

Why isn't create new neighborhood/community parks an option--only athletic fields? Yes parks, no fields.

Need to put in a BMX track for kids-biking is so good for them. bike park would be used!

need soccer facilities

Leave Lawson Gardens alone! No monstrous reception center! Keep the tranquility! (from a neighbor to the Garden)

Continued maintenance on what we have

I want to start an adult soccer league!!! What can I do to get this going? Indoor in winter and summer, outdoor in spring and fall.

plant more trees

Since the cemetery was mentioned earlier, I would like to include an impassioned plea to construct a 10-12 ft high berm or fence along the north boundary Pullman cemetery to protect the peaceful and quiet environment from any commercial development adjacent to it.

With the University and the aquatic center we have adequate facilities. We need to put our tax money into land for parks.

Expanding trails trumps all of the above.

We need a rec center like Moscow!

belong to several dog clubs, and we would like to have facilities to host dog shows, agility trials, and have meetings and classes. Currently hold events in Moscow and Colfax. Bringing events to Pullman during summer would bring business to restaurants, RV park, etc.

Sunnyside park: sledding runs need improvement-there are trees, bbqs, Frisbee in the way 2. id like to see wonderful prairie remnant around cemetery maintained

Help with childcare so more family members can participate in activities.

Please work with the Pullman School District on any bond issues. I think that a new high school is more important in any bond considerations...

The community should consider the facilities at Schweitzer, Gladish, and WSU before initiating any major construction projects. Many of the facilities could be rented out by Pullman Parks and Rec when they are not being use. Many of these facilities are open much of the time

A walk in anything approaching woods without having to drive a distance is most important amenity to my family

I believe we should upgrade, improve, maintain those areas and facilities we already have before building new!!

Don't let existing things run down. To do so is betraying existing community owners.

Provide staff and budget for current before adding new

We use the Moscow pool in the summer, because of the equipment for kids, i.e. play structure, water slides

The bathrooms at Sunnyside Park could definitely be improved or at least kept clean and stocked with TP