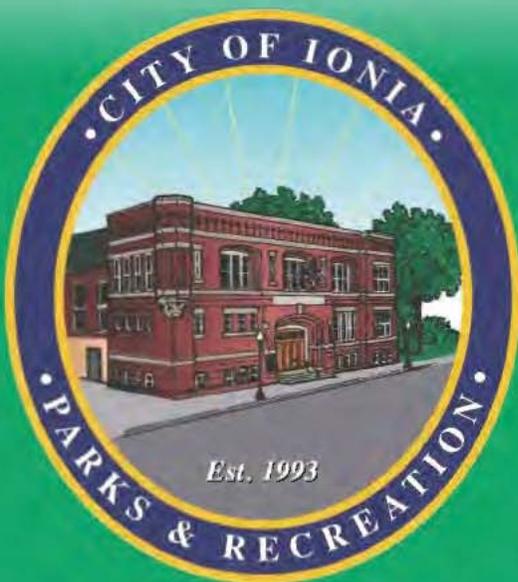




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INTRODUCTION

The Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024 has been prepared according to the requirements of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grants Management Division Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plans. Eligibility under this plan for grants administered by the State of Michigan will expire December 31, 2024. This plan replaces the previous plan entitled “Five-Year Community Recreation Plan 2012-2017, adopted August of 2012.



COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

The City of Ionia is located in central Ionia County, Michigan and serves as the County Seat. The City is surrounded primarily by Ionia Township, while Easton Township borders the City on the west. Spectrum Hospital is located within Orange Township to the south, as part of a PA 425 Agreement with the City. State of Michigan highway M-21 (Lincoln Avenue) runs east and west through the City, while State of Michigan highway M-66 (N. State Street and S. Dexter Street) runs north and south through the City. Interstate expressway I-96 is located approximately six and one-half miles south of the City corporate line. The Grand Rapids metropolitan area lies approximately 30 miles to the west, and the Lansing metropolitan area lies approximately 32 miles to the southeast. The Grand River flows along the southern boundary of the City, while Prairie Creek runs along much of the eastern boundary of the City.

According to the 2016 US Census American Community Survey Five-Year Estimates, the population of the City of Ionia is 11,384 persons which includes 4,913 residents of the Michigan Department of Corrections Facilities. Therefore, the actual population of the City outside the correctional facilities is approximately 6,471 persons.

The 2019-2024 Community Parks and Recreation Plan has been developed by the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Ionia, and will address all aspects of both programming and facilities development within the City's municipal boundaries. However, while the City of Ionia is the municipal jurisdiction for which the plan has been prepared, both the recreation programs and facilities provided by the City serve citizens in approximately thirteen townships within Ionia County.



ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

The administrative structure of the City of Ionia Parks and Recreation Department is shown on the organizational chart on page five. The Program Coordinator is accountable to the Director of Parks and Recreation; the Recreation Commission is advisory to the Director of Parks and Recreation, who is directly accountable to the City Manager. The City Manager is accountable to the Mayor and City Council who are elected by the citizens of the City of Ionia.

Role of Recreation Commission

In 2013, the City Council established a Parks and Recreation Commission. The Commission, consisting of five members including one member of the City Council, represent a broad range of recreational interests in the community. The role of the Commission is to serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council, The City Manager, and the Parks and Recreation Services in the City.

Current Year Budget and Sources of Funding

The five-year Parks and Recreation Department budget for capital improvements is found in Appendix A. The primary funding source for these expenditures is the City of Ionia General Fund. The City currently levies one mill for parks and recreation facilities and improvements. The complete Budget Report of the City of Ionia Recreation Department for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 is also found in Appendix A. The complete budget reflects all revenues received in addition to the appropriations from the General Fund such as fees for youth and adult activities, special events revenues, Armory leasing fees, donations, and other sources of revenue. The budget reflects all department expenditures including salaries, services, maintenance, special events, youth and adult activities, and all other expenses for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

Role of Volunteers/Partnerships with Private Organizations

The City of Ionia maintains strong relationships with a variety of private organizations. Many of the coaching positions are filled by community volunteers; the Knights of Columbus organize the popular Breakfast with Santa; Ionia County Community Mental Health provides leaders, directors, and clients who assist with facilitation, park clean-up and other projects; The Rotary organizes the annual Easter Egg Hunt; and many other community members volunteer time in a variety of recreation activities.

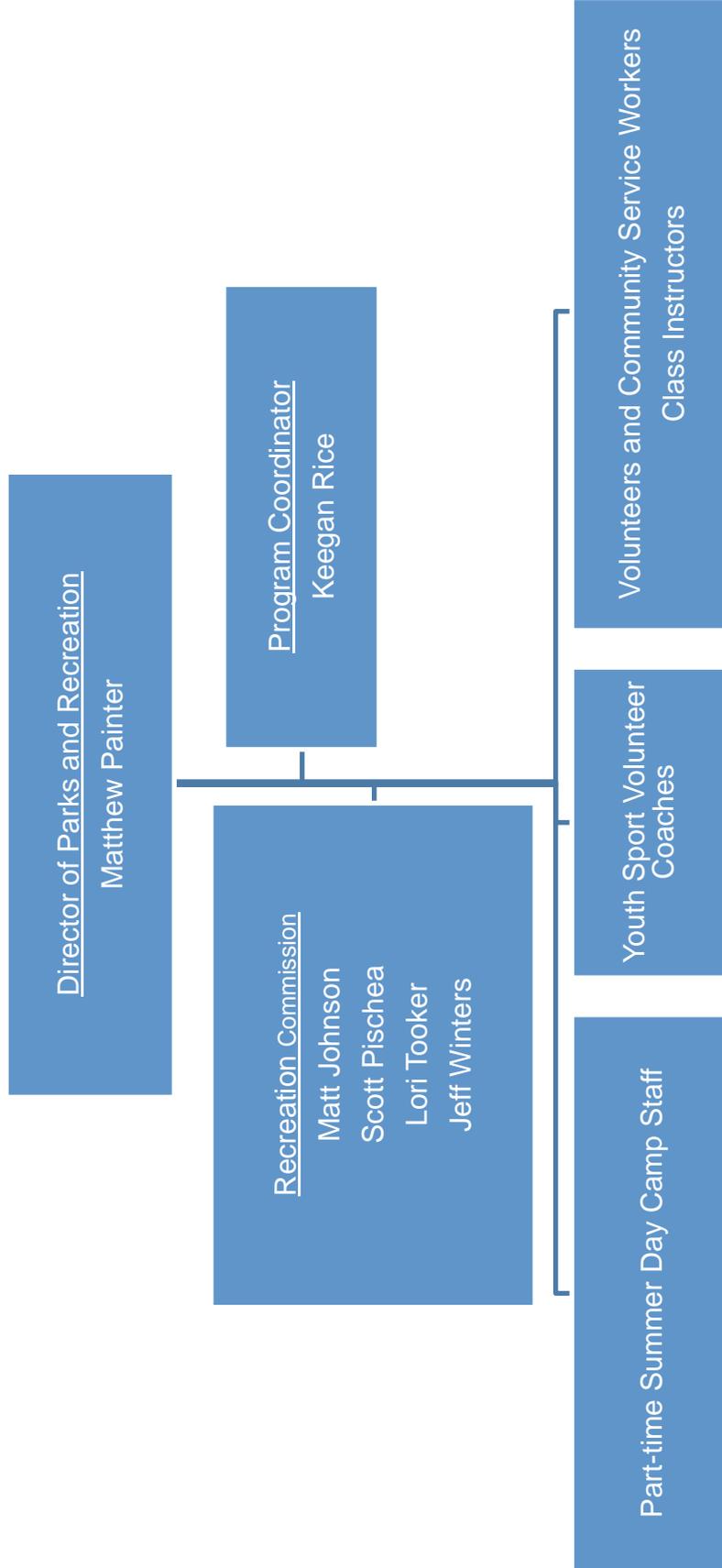
The City's Recreation Department also coordinates with the Greater Ionia Youth League which provides baseball and softball for 7-14 year-olds, while the City of Ionia Recreation Department offers T-ball for ages 3-6. Coordination also occurs with the Red Cedar Basketball League, which offers travel basketball to 4th-6th graders, while the Recreation Department offers basketball up to 4th grade.



Relationship with Ionia Public School System

The City’s Parks and Recreation Department maintains a strong relationship with Ionia Public Schools. The City may contract with the schools for use of facilities such as gyms, the track, or practice/playing fields, and the schools may utilize City facilities as needed. While the Recreation Department runs the Ionia Youth Football program, the school fields are used for practice and play. Men’s basketball run by the Recreation Department utilizes school gyms. The Recreation Department also has a relationship with the Ionia Football Boosters, and is permitted use of the concession stand for fundraising purposes during games.





Administrative Structure

RECREATION INVENTORY

The recreation inventory describes all of the parks, natural areas, and recreation facilities owned and/or operated by the City of Ionia. The locations of all parks and recreation facilities are shown on City of Ionia Parks and Recreation Location Map found at the end of the Recreation Inventory section.

City of Ionia Parks and Recreation Areas and Descriptions

Armory Community Center

The Armory Community Center is located within the downtown business district and was formerly the National Guard Armory. In 1998, the City acquired the Armory for use as a Community Center. The 20,000 square foot facility has undergone extensive renovations to make needed repairs, increase ADA accessibility, and renovate the interior spaces to provide better recreation services.

Facilities within the building include the Parks and Recreation Department offices, the Chamber of Commerce offices, three meeting/programming rooms, a kitchen area without cooking facilities, and a gymnasium with a stage available for programming as well as seating for 250 persons; the gymnasium is available for rental as an event venue.

The armory includes a studio for tumbling and dance classes, which is also available to rent for birthday parties.

Balice Park

Balice Park is a small .7-acre neighborhood/mini park located on East Adams Street. The park has an accessible play structure, swing set, picnic area, and open lawn space.

Governor Green Park

Governor Green Park consists of two acres of parkland located along Prairie Creek. The park once operated as a Girl Scout Camp, and is now used and maintained by the Girl Scouts for activities other than camping, although it is owned and operated by the City of Ionia. The park contains a pavilion and playground, and bank fishing is available.

Hale Park

Hale Park is a 3.8-acre neighborhood park located on the northeast corner of Lincoln Avenue and Division Street. Facilities at the park include three recreational basketball courts located on a lighted hard surface, play equipment, picnic area, and the Lions Club Community Building with restrooms which are available for use with a permit to utilize the Community Building. A small barrier free parking area is provided, but general public parking is along Division Street.



A concept plan for Hale Park has been developed and is included in the recreation inventory section; improvements would include the following: two paved parking areas; small splash pad; renovated restroom building; space for theatre in the park; improved landscaped buffers; new basketball courts; and walking paths throughout the park. Since development of the concept plan, Hale Park is recommended as the location for a larger splash pad than first envisioned, utilizing that space previously planned for the theatre in the park.

Harper Park

Harper Park is located on the west side of Cleveland Street and encompasses approximately 3.6 acres. This neighborhood park includes a baseball/softball field, a pavilion that may be reserved, play equipment, picnic area, and a gravel parking lot. This park is located directly adjacent to the Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail.

The proposed site development plan for Harper Park is included in this recreation inventory section. Proposed improvements include paving of the parking area with a van accessible ADA space; accessible connection from parking area to playground and picnic area; accessible picnic table, grill, and litter receptacle; pad and enclosure for ADA accessible portable restrooms; bike parking; improved plantings and landscaping; inclusive play equipment with ADA approved surfacing; removal of old play equipment; accessible connection to Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail; and improved outfield for the baseball/softball field.

A Michigan Recreation Passport Grant application for improvements to Harper Park was submitted in 2017; the grant was not approved. Alternative funding sources may be sought.

Harwood Softball Diamonds

The City operates and maintains two adult softball diamonds located at the Harwood Complex on land leased from the Ionia County Intermediate School District. The complex is located adjacent to the Intermediate School District facilities on Harwood Road. The complex also contains ten youth league ball diamonds operated and maintained by the Greater Ionia Youth League, parking, and a restroom facility. The City of Ionia will cease leasing of the ball diamonds at the end of 2019.

Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail

The Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail is located primarily along the Grand River and begins at Quarry Road (south of the Grand River) located in Ionia Township to the east of the City boundaries. The trail, which is 2.7 miles in length, crosses to the north side of the river and runs to a point at the western edge of the Ionia Free Fair Grounds. The Trail is a 10-foot wide paved pathway and includes a 200-foot long trestle over the Grand River, fishing docks, a boat launch, picnic area, benches, and a parking lot located at the Quarry Road trailhead. The Trail also provides connection to the commercial district, several neighborhoods, Riverside Park, the Ionia Free Fair Grounds, and a second non-motorized bridge over the Grand River located within the Fair Grounds. The trail may also be reserved for group use.



The River Trail is a facility that not only serves the residents of the City of Ionia, but also serves the surrounding townships, as well as visitors from the entire County and possibly outside Ionia County.

Ionia Theatre

Located in downtown Ionia, the historic Ionia Theatre is operated and managed by the City of Ionia Downtown Development Authority and the City of Ionia. Employees include a senior manager, a manager, and two part-time staff. Regularly scheduled volunteers contribute to the success of the Theater operation. The Theatre has been renovated and provides movies, live theater, and a variety of music and cultural performances. The Theatre is also available for rentals for a variety of events.

Perry Park (formerly Jackson Street Tennis Courts)

Perry park is located on the southwest corner of Lincoln Avenue and Jackson Street. The park, consisting of 2.5 acres, was substantially improved in 2013. Facilities include two tennis courts, two pickle ball courts, playground, restrooms, parking, and a storage building.

McCann Park

McCann Park is a small 0.5-acre neighborhood/mini park located on the southeast corner of Hackett and Rice Streets. The park includes play equipment and a picnic area.

Fun Forest/McConnell Park

McConnell Park is located between East Washington Street and East Main Street contiguous to Park Street. The park is a 4.3-acre neighborhood park with a large wooded hillside and an upper park area that is used for picnic and play. The park facilities include a picnic shelter with tables and grill that can be reserved, a large multi-station wood play structure, swings, and a gravel parking area.

Veterans Memorial Park

Memorial Park is a small parcel of land (mini-park) located on the west side of the Armory Community Center that serves as a downtown green space and location for the community's Veterans' Memorials. The park has memorials, plantings and benches.

Shattuck Park

Shattuck Park is located on the east side of Colby Street. The facilities in the two-acre neighborhood park include a picnic area, basketball court and play equipment. Improvements to the park occurred in 2017, and included improved plantings; benches; resurfaced basketball courts; new backboards and rims; picnic tables including accessible picnic tables; grill and litter receptacles; concrete walks; bicycle racks; climber; and four swings with safety surfacing below.



Robinson Park

Robinson Park is a 1.5-acre neighborhood park located on the west side of State Street (M-66) between Chapman and Forest Streets. Improvements to the park are planned for 2018 and will include a picnic pavilion with six picnic tables, restrooms; storage room; drinking fountain; bike rack; benches; new playground with safety surfacing; resurfaced basketball court with new backboards and rims; and an accessible concrete surface leading to the playground from both Chapman and Forest Streets. The site development plan for Robinson Park is included in this recreation inventory section.

Skate Park

The Skate Park is located within the Ionia Free Fair Grounds but is operated by the City. The skate park is not supervised, and users are responsible for safe conduct and behavior. The service area of the skate park is the City, but likely includes users from the surrounding townships as well.

Well Fields

The City's Well Fields property is located on 35 acres on the north side of East Fargo Street. The site is the location of the City's municipal water wells. Facilities located on the site for public use are open green space, and a trail with exercise stations.

Ionia Free Fair Grounds and Riverside Park

The Fair Grounds and Riverside Park properties are owned by the City of Ionia, but operated by the Ionia Free Fair Association, a non-profit organization. However, the Fair Grounds and Riverside Park are included in the inventory since the facility is a significant component of recreation activities available to the City of Ionia and to neighboring communities.

The grounds are located on 160 acres adjacent to the Grand River in the southwestern portion of the City. During Free Fair week, up to 500,000 visitors may be present at various events. The fair grounds are available for rental for other events which have included horse shows, concerts, weddings, and other special events. Facilities at the grounds include a large grand stand, dirt track, campsites, exhibition and livestock buildings, and a floral building, support buildings, and a privately-operated go-cart facility.

The grounds are available to the public for walking, river access, fishing, and use of the boat launch. The boat launch was constructed by the State of Michigan in 1972 on City property. The launch is owned by the State of Michigan but is operated and maintained by the City.

Riverside Park is located within the Fair Grounds adjacent to the Grand River and the Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail. The park includes green space along the river, play equipment, and gravel parking.



Trailhead Park for Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail

Construction is planned for 2018 of a Trailhead Park within the City limits at the southeast corner of Dexter Street (M-66) and Adams Street. The Trailhead consists of 1.5 acres, and will include paved parking, restrooms, picnic pavilion, splash pad, playground, vintage caboose, landscaping, benches, bike racks, and walkways with access to the Fred Meijer Grand River Rail Trail, with all amenities consisting of Universal ADA accessible design. The site development plan for the Trailhead Park is included in this recreation inventory section.

Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Gateway Plaza

The DDA has planned a Gateway Plaza for the northeast corner of Dexter Street (M-66) and Main Street. The site is currently a green, open space consisting of approximately .28 acres. Improvements will include a brick and concrete plaza, public art, lawn area, a walkway, and landscaping. The site development plan for the Gateway Plaza is included in this recreation inventory section.



Regional Recreational Facilities

Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail

A segment of the Fred Meijer Trail is located along that portion of the former Central Michigan Railroad that runs east to west through the southern portion of the City. The 17.5-mile trail is planned to consist of 125 miles between the City of Owosso and the City of Lowell.

The trail includes a pedestrian bridge constructed in 2015 that provides safe passage over M-66.

The City's Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail is proposed to tie into the Fred Meijer Trail with a trail link proposed within the former railroad right of way from Mill Street to just west of Jackson Street.

Ionia County YMCA

The Ionia County YMCA is a component of the Greater Grand Rapids YMCA. The YMCA is located within Ionia High School located at 250 East Tuttle Road, and utilizes the pool within the high school. Programs offered by the "Y" include a variety of adult leagues and sports, a wide variety of youth sports, enrichment classes, camps and clinics, health and well-being activities, swim lessons, and aquatics.

Ionia County Bertha Brock Park

Bertha Brock Park is a 186-acre Ionia County park located two miles west of the City of Ionia on M-21. Founded in 1931, it is a regional park that serves Ionia County and surrounding areas. Bertha Brock Park offers rustic campsites, historic Palmer Lodge and covered pavilions available to rent for events; gazebo; tennis courts; softball field; playgrounds; trout stream (Bellamy Creek); picnic areas; hiking and cross-country skiing trails; sledding hill; and various family oriented recreational activities.

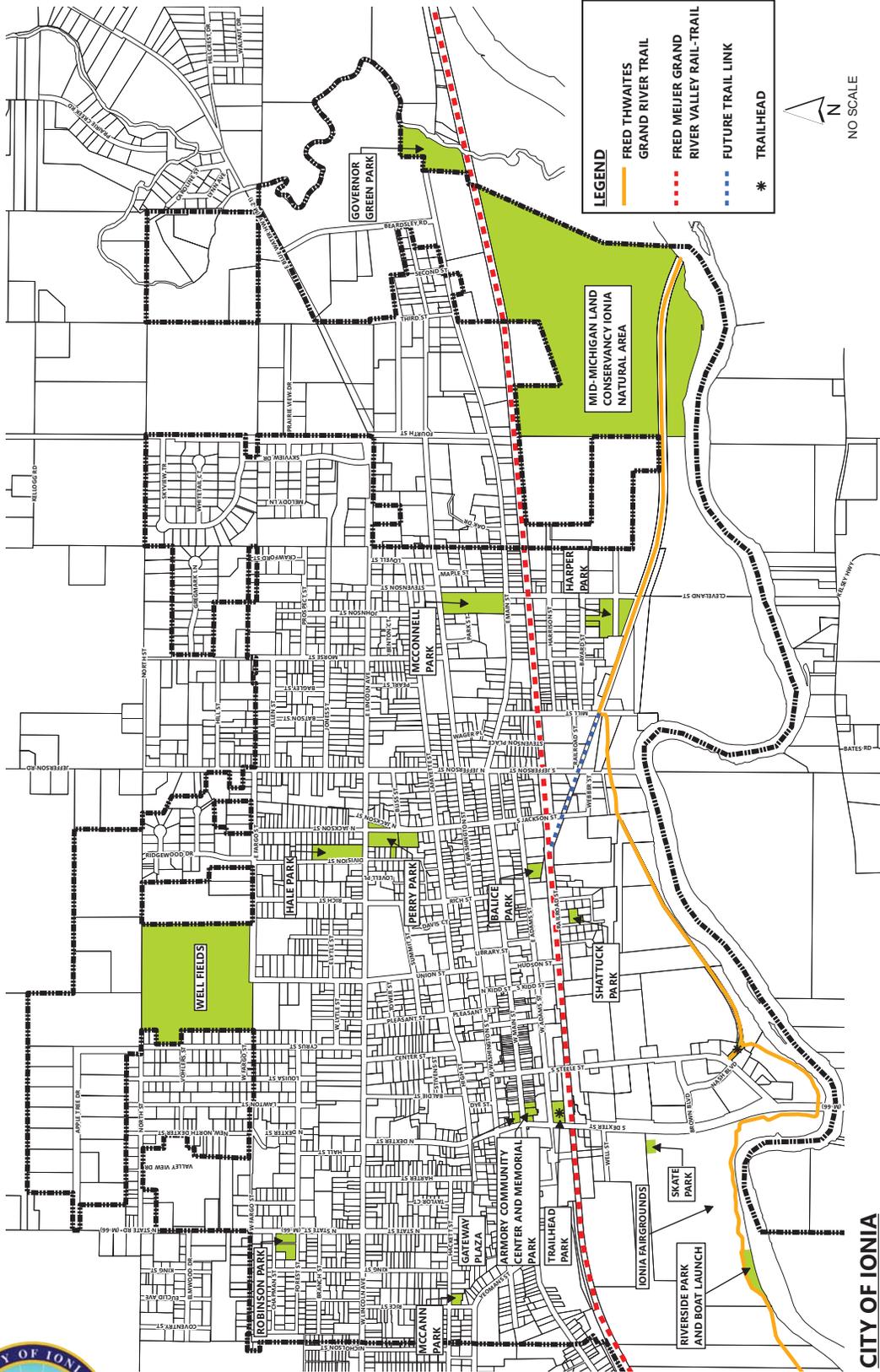
Ionia State Recreation Area

This recreation area is located at 2880 West David Highway, southeast of the City Ionia. The area consists of 4,500 acres and offers a large range of recreational activities including camping (149 sites); swimming beach and fishing on Sessions Lake; hunting; 3.5 miles of hiking trails; nine miles of designated mountain bike trails; 15 miles of equestrian trails; three trail loops for cross-country skiing (10.5 miles) and snowmobiling; dog trail; and metal detecting area. The recreation area is adjacent to the Grand River and the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail.

Mid-Michigan Land Conservancy: Ionia Natural Area

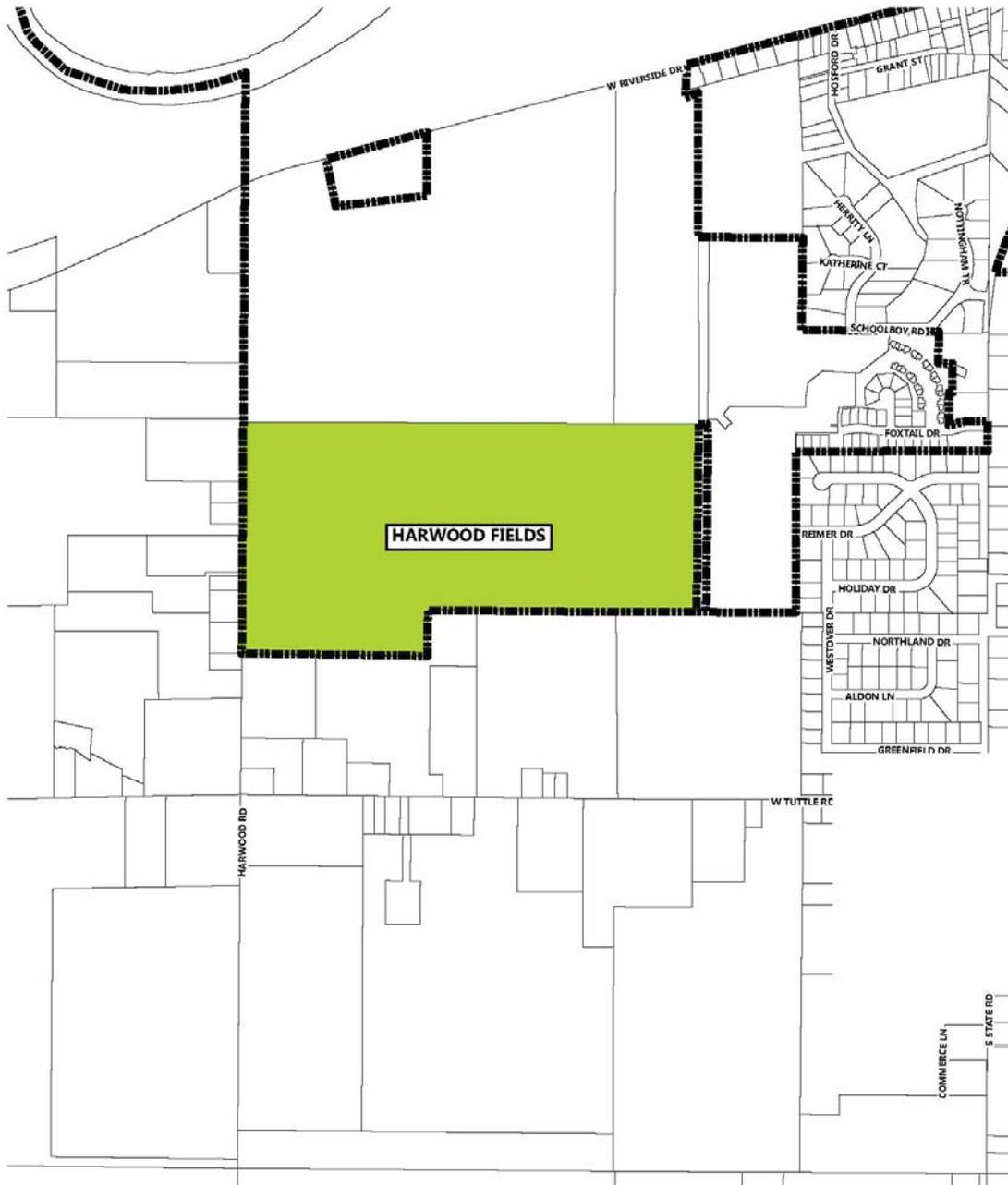
The Mid-Michigan Land Conservancy recently acquired a 130-acre parcel located in the southeast portion of the City, adjacent to the Grand River. The natural area consists of woodland and grasslands, locate primarily in the flood plain. The parcel includes one-half mile of frontage on the Grand River, and contains an island. The Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail runs along the northern boundary of the property, and the Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail runs through the southern portion of the property, affording scenic views of the Grand River.





**CITY OF IONIA
PARKS AND RECREATION LOCATION MAP**
IONIA COUNTY, MICHIGAN





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IONIA COUNTY, MICHIGAN



ACCESSIBILITY EVALUATION

An Accessibility Evaluation of each park and recreational facility is required by State of Michigan Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plans. Each park and recreational facility within or under the control of the City of Ionia was evaluated using the following ranking system provided by State of Michigan guidelines, which are based upon the ADA Standards for Accessible Design:

- 1 = none of the site elements meet standards for accessible design
- 2 = some of the site elements meet standards for accessible design
- 3 = most of the site elements meet standards for accessible design
- 4 = all of the site elements meet standards for accessible design
- 5 = the entire facility meets the principals of Universal Design

Rankings of each park or facility and an explanation of that ranking are as follows:

Balice Park = 2:

This park contains a hard-surfaced path at a grade that does not exceed 5% which leads to a transfer platform on the play structure.

The Action Program includes goals to redevelop Balice Park to achieve a greater degree of accessibility, including installation of ADA accessible walkways; and accessible access to the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail directly to the south.

Fun Forest/McConnell Park = 2:

A hard-surfaced sidewalk leads to a ramp on the wooden “Fun Forest” but the sidewalk can only be accessed from a dirt parking lot which is not considered accessible. No other access to the park is available from the sidewalk.

The Action Program includes goals to redevelop McConnell Park to achieve a greater degree of accessibility, including the following:

- Replace existing wooden play structure with new, updated play equipment designed to be safe and accessible for all users, as supported by the Citizen Survey of 2018.
- Pave parking area; construct ADA accessible pathways from parking area to play equipment; add ADA accessible surfacing around play areas; edging.
- Accessible grills, picnic tables, benches, drinking fountain.
- Remove older play equipment on lower McConnell Park due to infrequent use and lack of ADA accessibility.



Hale Park = 2 or 3:

This park contains accessible parking spaces, accessible restrooms, and a play structure accessible via a hard-surfaced path that does not exceed 5% which leads from the parking area to a transfer platform on the play structure. The remainder of the park is not accessible.

The Action Plan includes goals to redevelop Hale Park which will assist in creating greater accessibility, including new accessible play equipment; picnic shelter added with accessible grills and tables; accessible walkway around south and west sides of park; and accessible splash pad.

Harper Park = 2:

This park contains a hard-surfaced drive from the sidewalk at a grade that does not exceed 5% to an unpaved gravel parking area; a grassy area (that may be accessible depending upon the hardness of the area in various weather conditions) is adjacent to the drive/parking area. The grassy area leads to a pavilion; a hard-surfaced pathway with a grade that does not exceed 5% leads from the pavilion to a play structure with transfer platform.

The Action Program includes goals to redevelop Harper Park to achieve a greater degree of accessibility, including the following:

A van accessible ADA parking space; accessible connection from parking area to playground and picnic area; accessible picnic table, grill, and litter receptacle; pad and enclosure for ADA accessible portable restrooms; inclusive play equipment with ADA approved surfacing; and removal accessible connection to Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail.

Perry Park-formerly Jackson Street Tennis Courts = 4:

Perry Park was substantially improved in 2013; facilities include accessible access from Jackson Street; van accessible parking spaces; and inclusive play equipment with ADA approved surfacing.

McCann Park = 1 or 2:

A hard-surfaced pathway at a grade that does not exceed 5% leads from the sidewalk to pavers that surround a portion of the play equipment but no transfer platform is present.

The Action Program includes goals to redevelop McCann Park to achieve a greater degree of accessibility, including installation of ADA accessible play equipment with ADA accessible access; and an accessible drinking fountain.

Robinson Park = 4-5:

Improvements to Robinson Park planned for 2018 include installation of a barrier-free pathway from Forest Street; ADA accessible play equipment; ADA accessible rest rooms and drinking fountain; and ADA accessible picnic tables and grills.



Shattuck Park =2:

Significant improvements occurred to Shattuck Park in 2017. These included accessible picnic tables; accessible grill; and new play equipment with accessible surfacing.

Veterans' Memorial Park = 4:

This small veterans' memorial park is accessible via a hard-surfaced pathway at a grade of less than 5% that leads from City sidewalks which can be accessed by accessible parking spaces located at the nearby Armory Community Center.

Armory Community Center = 3:

Extensive renovations over the past several years have increased ADA accessibility significantly. The Armory includes accessible parking spaces, an accessible entrance and an elevator.

Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail = 3:

This trail and trail head were constructed in 2000 and were constructed primarily to ADA standards.

Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail - Trail Head on Steele Street = 2:

No barrier free parking exists; the trail connects to a section of sidewalk on the south side of Steele Street, however, the sidewalk is non-continuous along Steele Street.

Skate Park = 1-2:

No barrier free parking exists at the Skate Park and no hard surface approaches to the skate park are present; however, use of skate parks by wheelchair users in other communities is well documented, and the City of Ionia Skate Park could potentially be used by wheelchair users if the parking area and approach were accessible.

Riverside Park = 2:

No barrier free parking exists; no hard surface access to the play structure exists, but the grassy area may be accessible depending upon the hardness of the area in various weather conditions; a wooden ramp leads to a transfer platform on the play structure; no hard surface exists around the play structure.

The Action Program includes goals to redevelop Riverside Park to achieve a greater degree of accessibility, including installation of ADA accessible play equipment and surface around play equipment; and accessible pathway from parking area and trail.

Governor Green Park = 1:

No facilities at Governor Green Park are currently compliant with ADA standards.



Hardwood Softball Diamonds = 1:

No facilities at the Hardwood Softball Diamonds complex are currently compliant with ADA standards.

Well Fields = 1:

No facilities or trails at the Well Fields property are currently compliant with ADA standards.

Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Gateway Plaza

The Gateway Plaza is currently undeveloped, with plans to add a walkway and sculpture park. ADA accessibility will be of high priority when finalizing plans for the park.

Trailhead Park-Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail = 4-5

Construction of this facility was begun in 2018, and was designed using Universal Design principles for all amenities. The amenities include parking, restrooms, picnic pavilion, splash pad, playground equipment, and walkway connection to the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail.



DNR RECREATION GRANTS INVENTORY

In 2016, the City received the following parks related grants from the State of Michigan:

1. \$74,300 Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant (LW16-0038) for improving Robinson Park. Improvements funded include the construction of a restroom/park shelter building, landscaping and site amenities.
2. \$221,800 MDNR Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant (TF16-0104) for constructing Trailhead Park including a restroom/park shelter building, parking lot, landscaping, site amenities and a linkage from the park to the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail-Trail.

In 2015, the City received the following parks related grants from the State of Michigan:

1. \$85,000 MDNR RTP (Project RTP 2015-06-01) for “assistance for trailhead development in Ionia” to serve the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail-Trail that traverses the City.
2. \$43,000 MDNR Recreation Passport Grant Program (RP 15-0070) for improving Shattuck Park. Improvements funded include new play equipment, landscaping and site amenities.

In 2012 is the following grants related to the planned Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail-Trail were received:

1. \$200,000 MDNR RTP (project RTP10-47-03) for “assistance for construction of 10 miles of rail trail surface improvements including decking and railing of several railroad bridges.” This money will serve as a match for an Ionia County MDNR Trust Fund grant of \$300,000 and a grant to the City of \$950,000 from the MDOT Transportation Enhancement Activities Fund for the Ionia to Saranac Trail.

In 2010, the City of Ionia received several grants from the State of Michigan related to the planned Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail-Trail described as follows:

1. \$50,000 MDNR RTP (Recreation Trails Program) grant to assist in acquiring property for a trailhead planned at Dexter Street and Adams Street;
2. \$65,000 MDNR RIF (Recreation Improvement Fund) grant (project RIF09-36-06) to “survey, design and engineer the trail segment between Ionia and Saranac”;
3. \$8,500 MDNR RTP grant (project RTP10-47-01) to do an “engineering evaluation and cost estimate of the bridges on the Clinton-Ionia-Shiawassee Trail”;



Since 1976, the City of Ionia has received two Natural Resources Trust Fund grants:

1. 1993: \$37,500 to acquire the rail corridor and trestle to accommodate the construction of the Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail.
2. 1997: \$269,300 to assist with the construction of the Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANNING AND PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

The process of preparing the Parks and Recreation Plan began in late 2017. All aspects of preparation of the plan were coordinated with the City of Ionia Director of Parks and Recreation and the City of Ionia Planning Commission.

An on-line community survey was launched in April of 2018 to gather input regarding existing and proposed recreation programs and facilities. The survey was done jointly with the process of updating the City of Ionia Master Land Use Plan. A total of 223 persons completed the on-line survey. A copy of the complete survey along with results is included in Appendix B.

Public Comment Period and Public Hearing

Citizens of the City of Ionia were given 30 days to review and comment on the proposed Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan. Information describing the opportunities to review the plan was published in the City of Ionia Winter 2018 Quarterly Newsletter, sent with utility bills. The plan was available for review on the homepage of the City's website. Print copies of the plan were available at City Hall and at the Armory Community Center. Comments were directed to the City Manager.

A well-advertised public hearing on the Recreation Plan was held on January 8, 2019, during the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting. Following the public hearing, the City Council passed a Resolution adopting the Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan unanimously on January 8, 2019.

Results of the Survey

The Citizen Survey contained several questions regarding parks and recreation programs and services offered by the City. Results of the survey were used to create Goals and the Action Plan. The following is a summary of the priority results of these questions.



Of the following, which would you be willing to support with additional property tax millage?

Of five choices, the highest scoring answer was, “Parks and recreation programs and facilities.”

Which of the following are the reasons that you visit downtown Ionia?

Of ten possible choices, the choice that ranked fifth of ten choices was, “Recreation (trails; playgrounds; pickle-ball; programs at the Armory; activities on the Grand River such as canoeing, kayaking and fishing, etc.).”

Which facilities not currently available should be priorities of the Parks and Recreation Department?

Of five choices, responses in order of priority were:

1. Dog park
2. Auxiliary field house for indoor football, gymnastics, basketball, soccer, fitness, volleyball, and with an indoor track
3. Outdoor concert/band shell
4. Real or artificial ice for both competitive hockey and recreational skating
5. New/replaced playground equipment

Which programs not currently offered by the Parks and Recreation Department are you or your family most likely to use?

Of five choices, responses in order of priority were:

1. Cooking classes
2. Music classes
3. Adult volleyball
4. Youth tennis
5. Adult kickball

Respondents favored replacing the existing wooden play structure at McConnell Park with safe and accessible play equipment, designed for all users.



Which types of senior citizen programs are you most likely to use if offered by the Parks and Recreation Department?

Of nine choices, the top three choices were:

1. Exercise classes at a variety of challenge levels; yoga; and tai chi classes
2. Day trips to points of interest and special events
3. Support services and resources for seniors



GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The following Goals and Objectives have been developed using the information gathered through the Community Survey, through evaluation of programs and facilities in highest demand as evaluated by the Parks and Recreation Department staff and the Recreation Commission, through input gathered during the public comment period and at the public meeting held by the City Council.

1. GOAL: Continue to maintain and improve the Armory Community Center as an important venue for community recreation programs and activities.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Continue improvements to bring the Armory into ADA compliance and to enhance recreational activities for all users.
- b. Identify priority maintenance projects to insure that the Armory remains structurally sound.
- c. Evaluate improvements to the Armory that will increase its value as a recreational venue.

2. GOAL: Maintain and increase the number of cost-free or low-cost recreational activities available to users.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Continue free movie series at the Ionia Theater.
- b. Continue holiday-themed events for all ages.
- c. Determine funding sources for additional cost-free or low-cost recreational activities and programs; seek sponsors for events that will benefit from advertising/exposure.

3. GOAL: Continue and expand youth recreational programming for ages 4-12.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Evaluate facilities to determine needs for continuing and expanding successful youth recreational activities.



- b. Run pilot programs for those activities identified by the Community Survey as desired recreational activities not currently offered.

4. GOAL: Continue and expand adult and senior recreational programming.

- a. Evaluate facilities to determine needs for continuing and expanding successful adult and senior recreational activities.
- b. Run pilot programs for those activities identified by the Community Survey as desired recreational activities not currently offered.

5. GOAL: Expand access to nature trails, bike paths, and natural areas/open space within close proximity to City residents.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Evaluate existing/planned trails, bike paths, and natural areas in the City to determine current conditions and to determine whether improvements to existing trails are feasible.
- b. Identify additional areas within or near City boundaries for trail and bike path development.
- c. Identify areas within the City for natural areas/open space and determine feasibility of acquisition.
- d. Continue development and improvement of both existing and future trailheads.
- e. Provide identifying signs throughout the City that assist users in identifying locations of trails, trailheads, and links to other facilities such as neighborhood parks.

6. GOAL: Establish an outdoor concert/activity space.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Coordinate identification of a location for an outdoor concert/activity space with the current City of Ionia Master Plan and the Steele Street Corridor Plan.
- b. Determine feasibility and funding needs for implementation.



7. GOAL: Continue maintenance and improvements to existing neighborhood parks.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Provide accessible restrooms at neighborhood parks.
- b. Prioritize the replacement and maintenance of playground equipment for all users.
- c. Improve playground surfaces for safety and for access for all users.
- d. Add and improve site amenities at neighborhood parks such as picnic tables and grills.
- e. Continue to improve ADA approved accessibility and Universal Design at all neighborhood parks.
- f. Evaluate lighting and other security measures at neighborhood parks and along trails and bike paths.

8. GOAL: Continue and expand the interest in adult softball, youth t-ball, and youth soccer programs.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Evaluate the possible relocation or addition of flag football, adult softball, youth t-ball, youth soccer, and the Easter Egg hunt facilities to the Steele Street Corridor Area.

9. GOAL: Coordinate plans for recreational facilities and programs with the goals of the Steele Street Corridor Plan.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. Coordinate land use proposals and activities in the Steele Street Corridor area with goals and objectives of the Five-Year Parks and Recreation Plan.
- b. Maintain communication between the Parks and Recreation Department with the City of Ionia Planning Commission.
- c. Identify a location in the Steele Street Corridor area to include indoor recreational space in a multi-use building.



ACTION PROGRAM

The 2018 Citizen Survey, Director of Parks and Recreation, and the Planning Commission were largely responsible for shaping the Action Plan. The Steele Street Corridor Plan, developed in 2012 as a component of both the Master Plan and the Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan, remains as a part of the 2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan, but has been modified to reflect information resulting from updated flood plain maps, and to reflect the current goals of recreation planning in Ionia.

The following Action Program items are numbered for ease of reference and are not necessarily listed in order of priority.

1. Improvements to Armory Community Center.

- Continue to evaluate the installation of a modern security system, cameras, and fire detection systems to ensure the safety and security of all employees and visitors, and to ensure after-hours security and fire detection.
- Install new flooring or carpeting in the basement level; on the steps leading from the basement to the main floor; on the steps leading to the third floor; and in the Recreation Department Office.

Rationale

The Armory Community Center continues to be the central facility for indoor recreational opportunities offered by the City, and also houses the administrative offices of the Parks and Recreation Department. Use of the building continues to increase each year for a variety of activities including youth and adult basketball, youth and adult open gym, youth floor hockey, gymnastics, and other activities.

Maintenance and improvements to the building are essential to the continued success and growth of the Department of Recreation indoor programs and administration of all programs. Employees often work alone in the building or in remote areas of the building. Numerous door and window openings may invite theft and vandalism. Window replacement will improve energy efficiency when heating or cooling the building.

2. Acquisition of additional space in the Steele Street Corridor Plan Area to Include Additional Gyms and Indoor Recreational Space in a Multi-Use Recreation Building.

Rationale

Popular programs currently offered by the City of Ionia Parks and Recreation Department which



require indoor space include basketball for all ages, floor hockey, gymnastics, the fall craft show, Tae Kwon Do, Zumba exercise, youth open gym, adult open gym, and Young Marines. In addition, certain popular outdoor activities could be conducted indoors in a suitable facility; these include football, soccer, and a variety of fitness activities. Numbers of participants in each of these activities has continued to increase each year, and it is projected that participation in these programs would continue to increase with the construction of additional indoor recreational facilities. An indoor track for both running and walking is envisioned for an indoor recreational facility.

Currently, participation in some programs is limited due to lack of available space or appropriate space. For example, gymnastics is a program with strong interest, but appropriate space such as is required for advanced level gymnastics is not available in the current Community Center. Currently, some programs require the Parks and Recreation Department to seek additional space through arrangements with Ionia Public Schools or other venues.

The Citizen Survey administered as part of the update to the Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan included a question which asked which programs not currently offered by the Parks and Recreation Department families were most likely to use. The program ranking third highest of five programs was adult volleyball. Additional indoor recreation space would be required in order to offer this program.

An auxiliary field house ranked second highest as a desired priority recreational amenity on the Citizen Survey. The current Steele Street Corridor Plan shows the planned location of this facility.

3. Improve Neighborhood Playgrounds

The goal of the City of Ionia is to improve each neighborhood park with similar amenities, so as to provide each neighborhood with quality, accessible recreation opportunities for all users. Improvements to neighborhood parks will include accessible restrooms where feasible; replacement and maintenance of playground equipment, with accessible play equipment added where feasible; addition of safe and accessible playground surfaces; improved site amenities such as picnic tables and grills; evaluation of lighting and other security measures at each park and along trails, bike paths and near other improvements where needed.

Specific improvements in individual neighborhood parks are planned as follows:

Balice Park:

1. Additional play equipment, edging and surfacing, accessible walkways.
2. New gazebo.



3. New sign.
4. Bike racks.
5. Access to the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail located directly to the south, and add drinking fountains near the access point of the trail.
6. Accessible parking on west side of the playground site.
7. Pavilion for picnic use.
8. Rustic restroom facility and/or portable restrooms during seasonal use.

Hale Park (see concept plan):

1. New play equipment, new sign, install new landscaping.
2. New basketball poles, backboards, and rims; re-paint basketball court lines.
3. Picnic shelter added with accessible grills and tables.
4. Add accessible walkways around south and west side of park.
5. Add splash pad with a variety of water play activities.

Harper Park (see concept plan):

1. Improve parking area with gravel or paved surface; provide ADA accessibility to the park from the parking area.
2. Remove overhead bars; replace with new climber.
3. Strip, prime and paint the rocket climber.
4. Rustic restroom facility and portable restrooms during seasonal use.
5. Repair and paint pavilion.
6. Define west side of park perimeter with landscaping.
7. Grade and reseed old t-ball area and improve outfield area.



8. Add paved walkway to Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail from the park to provide ADA accessibility.
9. Eliminate unsafe parking conditions at Cleveland Street.
10. Additional play equipment with edging and surfacing.
11. Accessible grills and picnic tables.
12. Accessible drinking fountain; new sign; install new landscaping.

McCann Park:

1. Re-paint current play equipment.
2. New ADA accessible play equipment with ADA accessible access.
3. Edging and surfacing of play equipment area.
4. New sign; move sign to northwest corner.
5. Install new landscaping.
6. Accessible drinking fountain.

Fun Forest/McConnell Park:

1. Re-paint and repair pavilion.
2. Rustic restrooms and portable restrooms during seasonal use.
3. Replace existing wooden play structure with new, updated play equipment designed to be safe and accessible for all users, as supported by the Citizen Survey of 2018.
4. Pave parking area; construct ADA accessible pathways from parking area to play equipment; add ADA accessible surfacing around play areas; edging.
5. Accessible grills, picnic tables, benches, drinking fountain.
6. New park signs.
7. Remove older play equipment on lower McConnell Park due to infrequent use and lack of ADA accessibility.



Shattuck Park:

1. Provide, through signage or other means such as an on-street bike lane, a strong connection to the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail.

Riverside Park:

1. Install ADA accessible pathway from parking area and trail to play equipment.
2. Install ADA accessible surface around play equipment.
3. Install permeable safety surface suitable for the flood plain location

Rationale

The neighborhood park system in the City of Ionia is an asset valued highly by citizens. New and replaced playground equipment was identified as a desired priority for the Parks and Recreation Department by 36.9% of persons responding to the Community Survey. The City will continue to assess needed improvements in each park, and continue to provide residents in all areas of the City with quality, accessible neighborhood parks and play equipment.

4. Determine Funding Sources and Sponsorships for Popular Cost-Free Activities Offered by the Parks and Recreation Department such as:

Free movies at the Ionia Theatre, Santa's Mailbox, Visit with Santa, and the Easter Egg Hunt. Sponsors and other private funding sources would ensure the continuation of these activities. In addition, the Recreation Department allocation of funds may place more emphasis on programs that are cost-free to participants.

Rationale

For the foreseeable future, no-cost activities will be an important part of recreational programming in the City of Ionia service area, as the local economy continues to recover. The Recreation Department will continue to assess and evaluate those programs and activities that are most popular with participants, and prioritize funding accordingly.

5. Acquire Property as Identified by the Steele Street Corridor Plan for Natural Area Trails.

Within the City of Ionia, areas have been identified for off-road non-motorized trails through natural areas that remain in the City. The locations of these proposed trails are such that they tie into the Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail, the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail, and link remaining natural areas within the City. The goal of the Parks and Recreation Department is to provide a family-friendly loop with choices of distances that vary through the City, with access



to other planned recreational and commercial centers.

Rationale

The trails proposed are part of a larger plan to provide family-friendly recreational opportunities while connecting a variety of recreational amenities, both planned and existing.

6. Acquire and Develop Property as Identified by the Steele Street Corridor Plan for Multi-Use Plaza.

Two areas have been identified as possible locations for a multi-use plaza area for special events and possibly concerts. The plaza is recommended to include restrooms and possible concession area. One possible location is at the northern terminus of Steele Street at Washington Street; and the second location is south of Adams Street, east of Trailhead Park. Other locations could potentially be identified for the multi-use plaza.

Rationale

The Citizen Survey asked which facilities not currently available in Ionia should be a priority of the Parks and Recreation Department. Outdoor concert/band shell ranked third with 44.4% of respondents supporting this idea. When asked a question regarding what is needed most in the downtown, 70.7% of respondents chose the response that included “plazas for special events; gathering spaces.” The location for outdoor concerts and a multi-use plaza are part of a larger plan to revitalize the Steele Street Corridor area while providing a range of recreational activities that will include cultural activities.

7. Acquire Properties for Construction of a Linear Park and Silo Park that Parallels the Planned Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail.

Properties adjacent to the planned Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail are shown on the Steele Street Corridor Plan. These properties may or may not lie within the right-of-way of the trail. Upon identification of ownership, acquisition may be pursued and development plans for each segment developed at the time of acquisition.

Rationale

The Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail provides an opportunity to expand upon this regional facility through the addition of adjacent green space which will tie into planned recreational facilities in the Steele Street Corridor Area. The location of the linear park ties into the planned preservation of existing landmark silos and planned park space adjacent to the silos.

8. Acquire Property as Identified by the Steele Street Corridor Plan for Additional Children’s Play Areas.



Two areas are shown on the Steele Street Corridor Plan as recommended for children’s play areas. One area is planned to be within the Trail Head Park for the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail, and will be constructed as part of that park. Another is located near the proposed soccer/t-ball/softball/multi-purpose fields. The children’s play areas are intended to provide opportunities for younger children in locations where families are expected to utilize other planned recreation activities, and where children’s play areas are visible to nearby caregivers.

Rationale

When planning for new recreational facilities, the needs of families with young children will be met by providing play areas within viewing distance of other recreational amenities.

9. Acquire Property as Identified by the Steele Street Corridor Plan for Soccer Fields as well as Softball/T-ball Fields as Identified by the Steele Street Corridor Plan.

An area on the Steele Street Corridor Plan is shown as planned for Multi-Use Fields for lighted softball games, flag football under the lights, and t-ball. As part of the overall plan to provide additional recreation areas near downtown Ionia, this area has been designated as a possible site which may replace the opportunities previously available at the Harwood Fields Complex located several miles outside of the City.

Additionally, four soccer fields are planned in this area, as well as restrooms, concessions, and a storage building.

Rationale

The location of an area proposed for additional softball and t-ball fields, as well as soccer fields, is part of the greater plan to improve access to recreational programming in the downtown/Steele Street area of Ionia, in a location where a variety of recreation facilities are available, and where commercial uses are present or are planned to support increased numbers of both residents and visitors to the downtown area.

10. Acquire Property as Identified by the Steele Street Corridor Plan for sand volleyball courts, grills, and a picnic area.

Rationale

The location of an area proposed for sand volleyball courts, grills, and a picnic area is part of the greater plan to improve access to recreational programming that may appeal to the adult population in the downtown/Steele Street area of Ionia, in a location where a variety of recreation facilities are available, and where commercial uses are present or are planned to support increased numbers of both residents and visitors to the downtown area.



11. Identify Additional Locations for a Splash Pad; Construct Splash Pad as Funding Sources are Identified. Hale Park is a recommended location for a splash pad.

A splash pad has been planned as a component of the Trail Head Park; other less busy locations, such as neighborhood parks frequented by residents, may also be considered for a larger splash pad with a number of water play activities. Currently, Hale Park is the recommended location for a splash pad.

Rationale

Splash pads have become a popular community amenity as a way to provide water play on hot summer days, without the safety concerns of a pool or other body of water. While a splash pad has been planned for the Trail Head Park, the City anticipates that this location will experience a high volume of use; other locations for an additional splash pad to serve the needs of neighborhoods may be desired.

12. Identify a location suitable for a community Dog Park; identify costs associated with a municipal dog park such as maintenance, security, and hosting of special events.

Dog ownership has increased over the last several years; exercise areas for dogs are often difficult to locate in an urban community. Dog parks have increasingly become desired amenities where citizens can recreate with their dogs, and can socialize with other dog owners. The presence of a dog park in a community helps prevent persons from exercising their dogs in locations, such as public parks, where leashes are required, where dogs may conflict with family activities, and where clean up after a pet may be a problem.

When asked on the Citizen Survey which recreational facilities not currently available should be a priority of the Parks and Recreation Department, the top-ranking answer was “Dog park.” The Steele Street Corridor Plan shows a proposed location for a dog park.

13. Explore the potential for developing an area in the City for real or artificial ice, for both competitive hockey and recreational skating.

Rationale

When asked on the Citizen Survey which recreational facilities not currently available should be a priority of the Parks and Recreation Department, this item ranked fourth of five choices. The Parks and Recreation Department will continue to assess the desire for ice in the community, and to find a suitable location for either an indoor or outdoor facility.

14. Continue to develop new recreational programs based on current interests of the Ionia area community.

Rationale

The Citizen Survey asked respondents to identify the new programs they or their families were



most likely to use from a list of five programs. The selection “Cooking classes” was ranked significantly higher than the remaining four choices. The remaining choices were ranked as follows in order from second to fifth place: Music classes; Adult volleyball; Youth tennis; and Adult kickball. The Parks and Recreation Department will continue to assess the interest in new programs, and determine how best to offer those programs.

15. Expand the recreational and leisure time options offered to senior citizens in the Ionia area.

Rationale

The Citizen Survey asked respondents to identify recreation and leisure time activities for seniors that are most desired. The top three programs of interest were, in order of priority: Exercise classes at a variety of challenge levels; Day trips to points of interest; and Support services and resources for seniors. A variety of other activities were also ranked by respondents. The Parks and Recreation Department will continue to assess the interest in new activities for seniors, and determine the feasibility of offering these activities.

16. Support parks and recreation programs and facilities through a new tax millage directed specifically to parks and recreation.

Rationale

The Citizen Survey asked respondents what types of City services they would be willing to support with additional tax millage. The choice “Parks and recreation programs and facilities” was ranked highest among five choices. The citizens of the Ionia area highly value the parks and recreation opportunities provided currently, and are willing to fund further development of such opportunities. The City of Ionia currently levies one mill for parks and recreation facilities and improvements; the City may discuss an option to increase the recreational millage in the future.





Appendix A

FIVE-YEAR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET

DEPARTMENT: *Parks and Recreation*

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Proposed Purchase</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Rationale</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>
19-20	Harper Park Improvements	\$172,500	Routine Replacement	Recreation Fund/Grants
	<u>TOTAL 19-20</u>	<u>\$172,500</u>		
20-21	Hale Park Improvements	\$350,000	Park Re-Development	Recreation Fund/Grants
	<u>TOTAL 20-21</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>		
21-22	Balice Park Improvements	\$150,000	Routine Replacement	Recreation Fund/Grants
21-22	McConnell Park Improvements	\$250,000	Routine Replacement	Recreation Fund/Grants
	<u>TOTAL 21-22</u>	<u>\$400,000</u>		
22-23	McCann Park Improvements	\$75,000	Routine Replacement	Recreation Fund/Grants
22-23	Gateway Park Construction	\$300,000	Park Development	Recreation/DDA Fund
	<u>TOTAL 22-23</u>	<u>\$375,000</u>		
23-24	Steele Street Plaza Park – Phase I	\$350,000	Park Development	Recreation Fund/Grants
	<u>TOTAL 22-23</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>		
	GRAND TOTAL	\$1,647,500		





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GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2018-19 AMENDED BUDGET	YTD BALANCE 09/30/2018 NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 09/30/2018 INCREASE (DECREASE)	AVAILABLE BALANCE NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	% BDT USED
Fund 249 - RECREATION DEPARTMENT						
Revenues						
Dept 000.000						
249-000.000-647.000	ADULT ACTIVITIES	14,000.00	5,273.00	0.00	8,727.00	37.66
249-000.000-648.000	YOUTH ACTIVITIES	65,000.00	22,074.25	2,327.00	42,925.75	33.96
249-000.000-648.100	YOUTH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION	3,000.00	2,070.00	2,070.00	930.00	69.00
249-000.000-652.000	SPECIAL EVENTS	7,000.00	1,755.00	232.00	5,245.00	25.07
249-000.000-665.000	INTEREST	25.00	15.50	0.00	9.50	62.00
249-000.000-674.000	ARMORY-LEASES:ROOMS,FLOORS	10,000.00	725.00	150.00	9,275.00	7.25
249-000.000-675.000	GIFTS DONATIONS	75.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	0.00
249-000.000-688.000	OTHER REVENUE	2,000.00	378.00	32.00	1,622.00	18.90
249-000.000-699.101	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM GENERAL FUN	290,000.00	72,500.01	24,166.67	217,499.99	25.00
Total Dept 000.000		391,100.00	104,790.76	28,977.67	286,309.24	26.79
TOTAL REVENUES						
		391,100.00	104,790.76	28,977.67	286,309.24	26.79
Expenditures						
Dept 536.000 - ADMINISTRATION						
249-536.000-702.000	SALARY & WAGES	94,000.00	17,955.53	6,783.72	76,044.47	19.10
249-536.000-702.009	SALARY & WAGES - SEASONAL	6,000.00	1,895.63	0.00	4,104.37	31.59
249-536.000-710.000	PAYROLL TAXES & FRINGE BENEFIT	55,000.00	9,367.88	3,636.38	45,632.12	17.03
249-536.000-727.000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	400.00	39.38	0.00	360.62	9.85
249-536.000-727.100	COPY MACHINE LEASE	600.00	156.69	0.00	443.31	26.12
249-536.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	8,000.00	1,875.00	625.00	6,125.00	23.44
249-536.000-850.000	COMMUNICATIONS	2,250.00	514.47	0.00	1,735.53	22.87
249-536.000-860.000	TRANSPORTATION AND TRAINING	1,600.00	0.00	0.00	1,600.00	0.00
249-536.000-861.000	MEMBERSHIP AND DUES	800.00	425.00	0.00	375.00	53.13
249-536.000-900.000	PUBLISHING	400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	0.00
249-536.000-954.000	INSURANCE	5,200.00	0.00	0.00	5,200.00	0.00
249-536.000-956.001	SALES TAX	475.00	0.00	0.00	475.00	0.00
Total Dept 536.000 - ADMINISTRATION		174,725.00	32,229.58	11,045.10	142,495.42	18.45
Dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS						
249-560.000-751.000	SPECIAL EVENT ACTIVITIES	5,000.00	1,133.13	0.00	3,866.87	22.66
249-560.000-752.000	ADULT ACTIVITIES	7,500.00	1,631.90	0.00	5,868.10	21.76
249-560.000-753.000	YOUTH ACTIVITIES	35,000.00	15,007.11	23.05	19,992.89	42.88
249-560.000-762.313	YOUTH FOOTBALL ADVISORY BOARD	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00
Total Dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS		49,000.00	17,772.14	23.05	31,227.86	36.27
Dept 755.000 - ARMORY						
249-755.000-702.000	SALARY & WAGES	1,500.00	31.34	6.00	1,468.66	2.09
249-755.000-707.000	CENTRAL GARAGE ALLOCATION	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
249-755.000-710.000	PAYROLL TAXES & FRINGE BENEFIT	1,200.00	26.92	1.44	1,173.08	2.54
249-755.000-775.000	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	3,000.00	108.71	0.00	2,891.29	3.62
249-755.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	4,500.00	2,592.84	133.79	1,907.16	57.62
249-755.000-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES	13,000.00	1,629.42	0.00	11,370.58	12.53
249-755.000-931.000	BUILDING REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	10,000.00	109.98	0.00	9,890.02	1.10
Total Dept 755.000 - ARMORY		33,700.00	4,499.21	141.23	29,200.79	13.35



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Fund 249 - RECREATION DEPARTMENT							
Expenditures							
Dept 770.000 - PARK MAINTENANCE							
249-770.000-707.000	CENTRAL GARAGE ALLOCATION	48,000.00	14,909.14	7,399.03	33,090.86	31.06	
249-770.000-710.000	PAYROLL TAXES & FRINGE BENEFIT	29,000.00	10,592.97	5,414.13	18,407.03	36.53	
249-770.000-740.000	OPERATING SUPPLIES	5,500.00	56.47	0.00	5,443.53	1.03	
249-770.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	7,500.00	933.42	198.00	6,566.58	12.45	
249-770.000-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES	4,500.00	392.24	0.00	4,107.76	8.72	
249-770.000-940.000	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	19,000.00	5,663.40	0.00	13,336.60	29.81	
	Total Dept 770.000 - PARK MAINTENANCE	113,500.00	32,547.64	13,011.16	80,952.36	28.68	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	370,925.00	87,048.57	24,220.54	283,876.43	23.47	
Fund 249 - RECREATION DEPARTMENT:							
	TOTAL REVENUES	391,100.00	104,790.76	28,977.67	286,309.24	26.79	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	370,925.00	87,048.57	24,220.54	283,876.43	23.47	
	NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES	20,175.00	17,742.19	4,757.13	2,432.81	87.94	



Michigan Department of Natural Resources - Grants Management
LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF)
MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND (MNRTF)
RECREATION PASSPORT (RP)
FINAL COMPLIANCE ONSITE INSPECTION REPORT
Required by authority of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

NOTE:
For multi site grants,
complete one report per site

Grantee Jason Eppler	Grant Number RP15-0070
Site Name Shattuck Park	Grant Expiration Date

FINDINGS: When applicable, elaborate on responses and provide any additional comments deemed appropriate, including required actions (attach additional sheets if necessary):

1. Is the completed work in conformance with the grant agreement and applicable amendments? YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____
2. Is the workmanship satisfactory? YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____
3. Were precautions taken to assure protection of the natural features of the site? N/A (not applicable), YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____
4. Is the site in conformance with Accessibility Standards? (as indicated on the Checklist for Submission of Plans, Specifications and Bid Documents for Recreation Grant Development Project, PR1911) N/A (not applicable), YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____
5. Is the site in conformance with universal design principles, if applicable? N/A (not applicable,) YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____
6. Are there health and/or safety hazards on or near the site? YES NO, If "YES", explain: _____
7. Have approved boundaries remained intact, as agreed upon in the project agreement? YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____
8. Are there indications of vandalism or other deterioration? YES NO, If "YES", explain: _____
9. Is the required MNRTF signage in place in accordance with grant agreement conditions? YES NO
 Is the sign(s) situated in conspicuous locations? YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____
 Where are the sign(s) located? On park welcome sign.
10. Is the facility accessible to the people it was designed to serve? YES NO, If "NO", explain: _____



11. List scope items below and check if completed.

YES NO, If "NO", explain:

SPECIFIC COMPONENTS OF PROJECT AGREEMENT	SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED
1. <u>Access Pathway 5' -6' Wide</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. <u>Bench</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3. <u>Bike Rack</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4. <u>Grill</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5. <u>Landscaping</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6. <u>Picnic Table</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7. <u>Play Equipment</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
8. <u>Play Equipment Safety Surfacing</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9. <u>Signage</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
10. <u>Trash Bins</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. <u>Basketball Court Renovations</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Attach photographs of the completed scope items, installed picture of the sign, and the as-built site plan.

Matt Painter Director of Parks and Recreation
 Grantee Representative Name Title

 Grantee Representative Signature Date

Jim Morgan President
 Prime Professionals Name Title

 Prime Professional Signature Inspection Date

 Names of Other Person(s) Involved In This Inspection

Please return this completed Report to:
MNRTF Grant Payment Officer
Grants Management
Michigan Department of Natural Resources
PO Box 30425
Lansing, MI 48909-7925

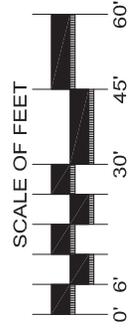
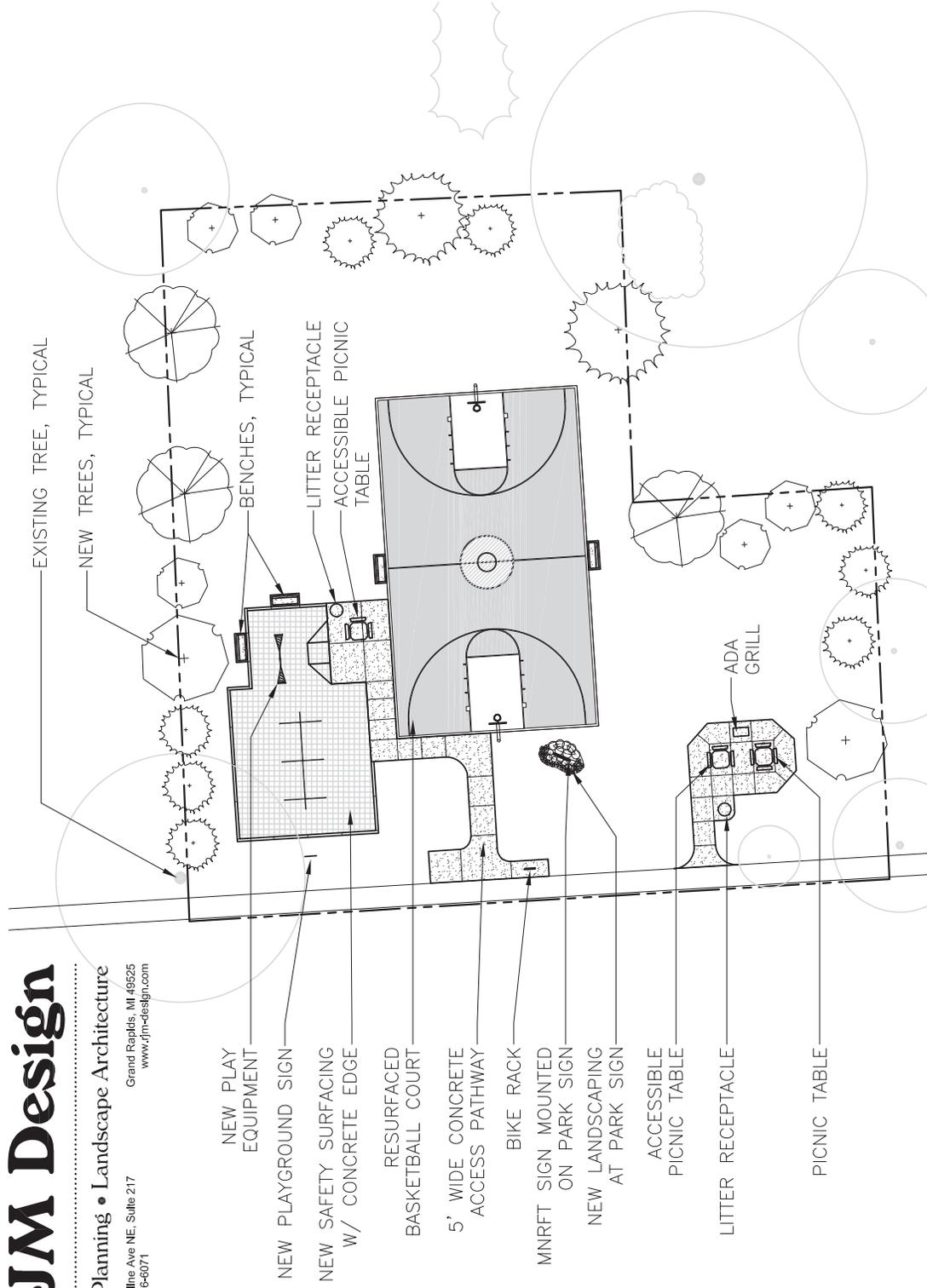




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SHATTUCK PARK AS-BUILT DRAWING

April 2018

ACCESS PATHWAY AND BASKETBALL COURT RESTORATION



BENCH (4 LOCATIONS)



BIKE RACK



ADA GRILL



**SITE PHOTOS (1 OF 3)
RP15 - 0070 SHATTUCK PARK**



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LANDSCAPING, SIGNAGE, AND MNRTF SIGN



PICNIC TABLES, LITTER RECEPTACLES, LANDSCAPING



PICNIC TABLE, LITTER RECEPTACLE, BENCH, & LANDSCAPING



SITE PHOTOS (2 OF 3)
RP15 - 0070 SHATTUCK PARK

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PLAY EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY SURFACING



PLAYGROUND SIGN AND SAFETY SURFACING



PLAY EQUIPMENT, PICNIC TABLE, AND BENCHES



**SITE PHOTOS (3 OF 3)
RP15 - 0070 SHATTUCK PARK**

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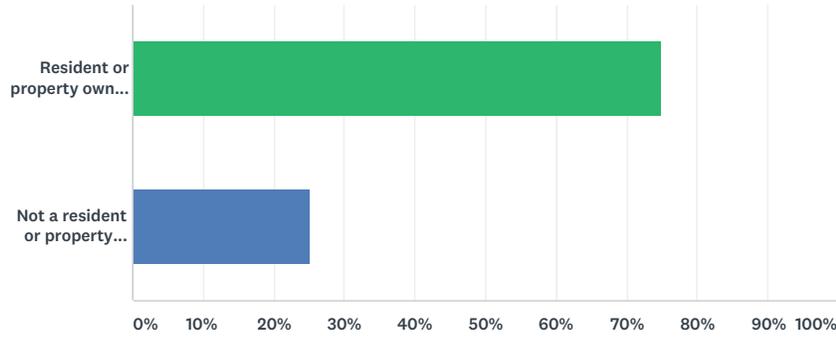




Appendix B

Q1 You are a:

Answered: 223 Skipped: 1

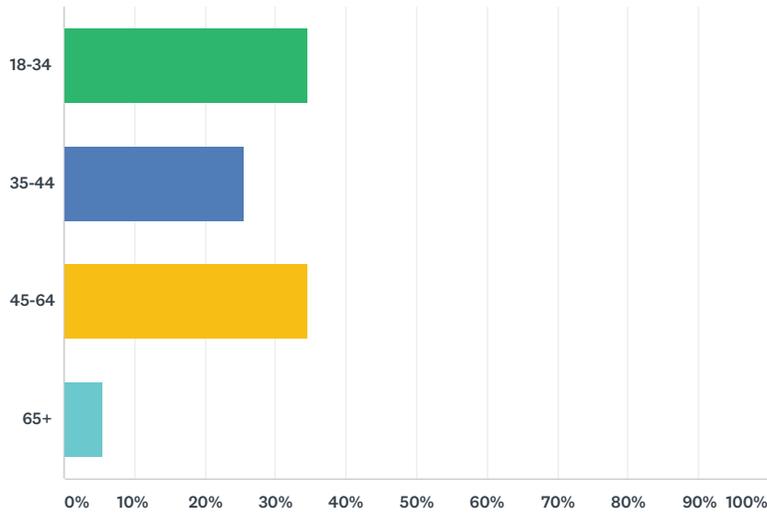


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Resident or property owner of the City of Ionia	74.89%	167
Not a resident or property owner of the City of Ionia	25.11%	56
TOTAL		223



Q2 Age of respondent:

Answered: 223 Skipped: 1

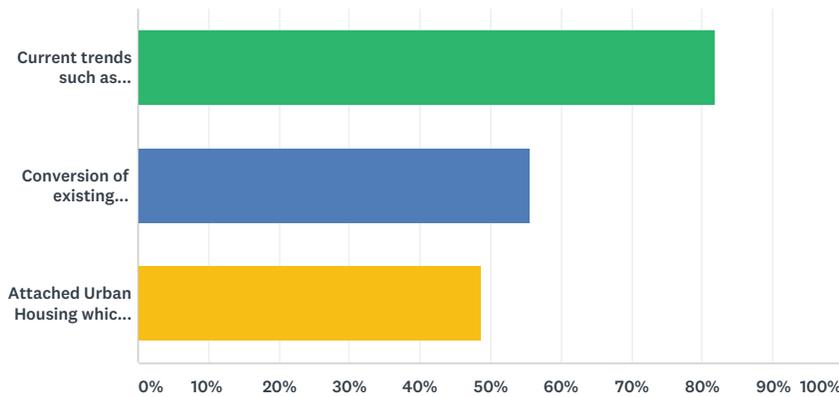


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
18-34	34.53%	77
35-44	25.56%	57
45-64	34.53%	77
65+	5.38%	12
TOTAL		223



Q3 Attached Urban Housing is a style of housing that may include duplexes, fourplexes, and multiplexes of a small scale, as well as bungalow courts, townhouses, and carriage houses. This type of housing may be developed at price points that appeal to those beginning a career, young families, and those of retirement age, and may be developed as ownership units as well as rental units. Attached Urban Housing is intended to bring vitality to downtown areas, and is also compatible with single family neighborhoods. In general, do you favor zoning regulations which allow a wider range of uses in the downtown area, such as:
(Choose all that you favor)

Answered: 203 Skipped: 21

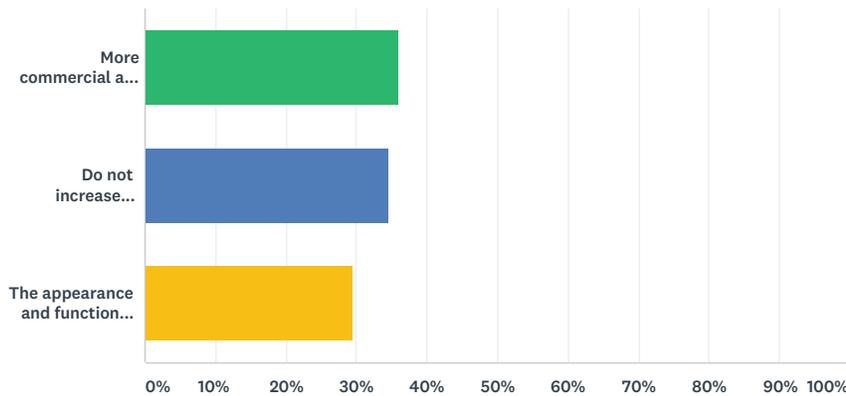


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Current trends such as breweries and distilleries, with options for food service and retail sales; conversion of existing buildings to high-tech industries such as software development; and similar trends which enhance the vitality of downtown areas	81.77% 166
Conversion of existing buildings to condominium (ownership) and rental dwelling units to increase the number of downtown residents	55.67% 113
Attached Urban Housing which may include a variety of dwelling unit designs on a smaller scale,as described above	48.77% 99
Total Respondents: 203	



Q4 The M-21 (Lincoln Avenue) corridor from Dexter Street eastward to the City limits is shown on the following map. The Master Plan will address land use along this corridor to a depth of approximately one block, as illustrated by the shaded area. Please check the answer that best fits your opinion of the future of land use along this corridor: (Choose one) *Please note this is required to answer at least one.

Answered: 200 Skipped: 24

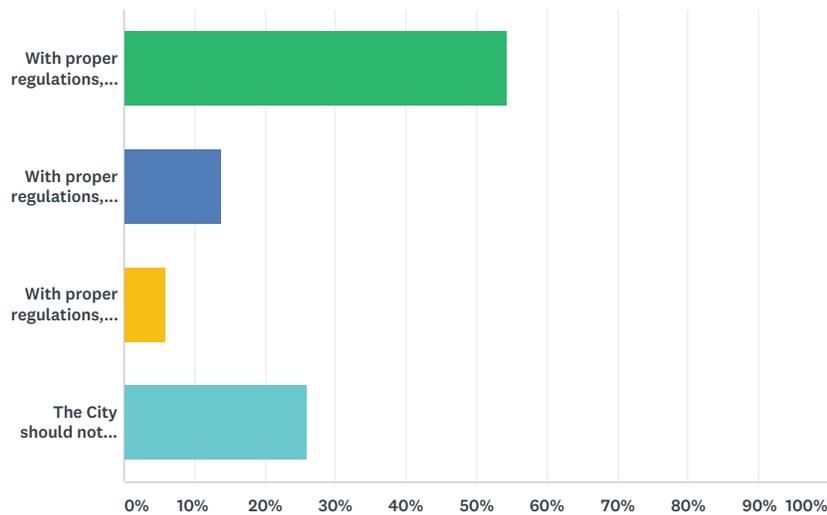


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
More commercial and office uses should be planned along Lincoln Avenue, with landscaping and sign regulations that enhance the appearance of the corridor, and with design standards that improve access to businesses.	36.00% 72
Do not increase commercial and office uses along Lincoln Avenue; plan instead for Attached Urban Housing of a style that is compatible with existing single-family neighborhoods, as described in Question 3.	34.50% 69
The appearance and function of the Lincoln Avenue corridor is primarily acceptable the way it is.	29.50% 59
TOTAL	200



Q5 The Michigan Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act of 2016 enables municipalities to permit medical marihuana provisioning centers. A “provisioning center” permits the distribution of medical marihuana or infused-marihuana products from a licensed grower for use by registered patients or caregivers. A provisioning center operates much as a retail store. Which course of action do you believe is best for the City regarding provisioning centers? (choose one)

Answered: 204 Skipped: 20

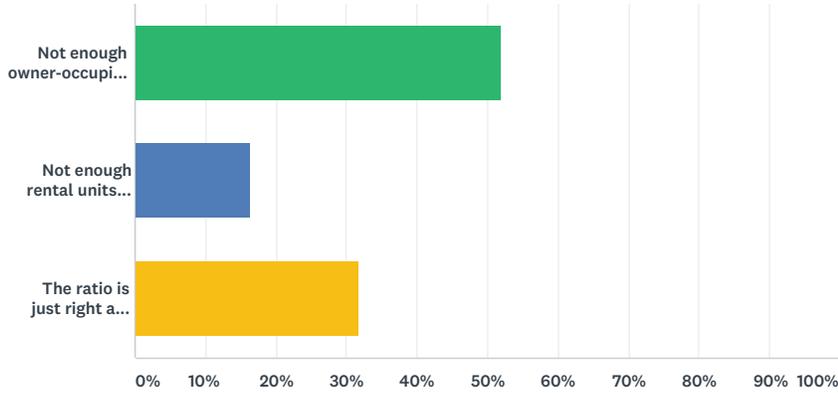


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
With proper regulations, provisioning centers should be allowed in any business zoning district in the City.	54.41% 111
With proper regulations, provisioning centers should be allowed in any business zoning district EXCEPT the central business district (Main Street).	13.73% 28
With proper regulations, provisioning centers should be allowed in any business zoning district EXCEPT the business districts located on State Highways (M-21/M-66) in the City.	5.88% 12
The City should not permit provisioning centers.	25.98% 53
TOTAL	204



Q6 The ratio of owner-occupied dwellings to non-owner-occupied dwellings (rental units) in the City of Ionia is currently 55% owner occupied to 45% renter occupied. In your opinion, this ratio is: (Choose one)

Answered: 195 Skipped: 29

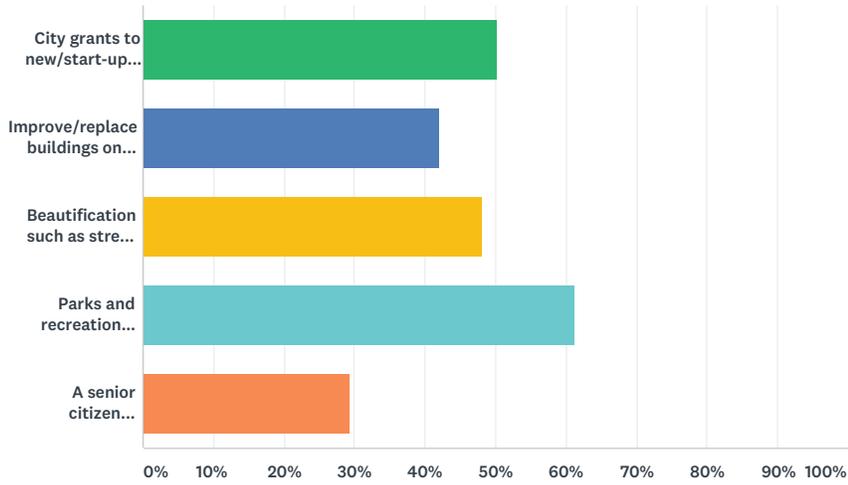


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not enough owner-occupied dwelling units as a percentage of all dwelling units	51.79%	101
Not enough rental units as a percentage of all dwelling units	16.41%	32
The ratio is just right as it is	31.79%	62
TOTAL		195



Q7 Of the following, which would you be willing to support with additional property tax millage? (Choose all that apply) *Please note this is required to answer at least one.

Answered: 181 Skipped: 43

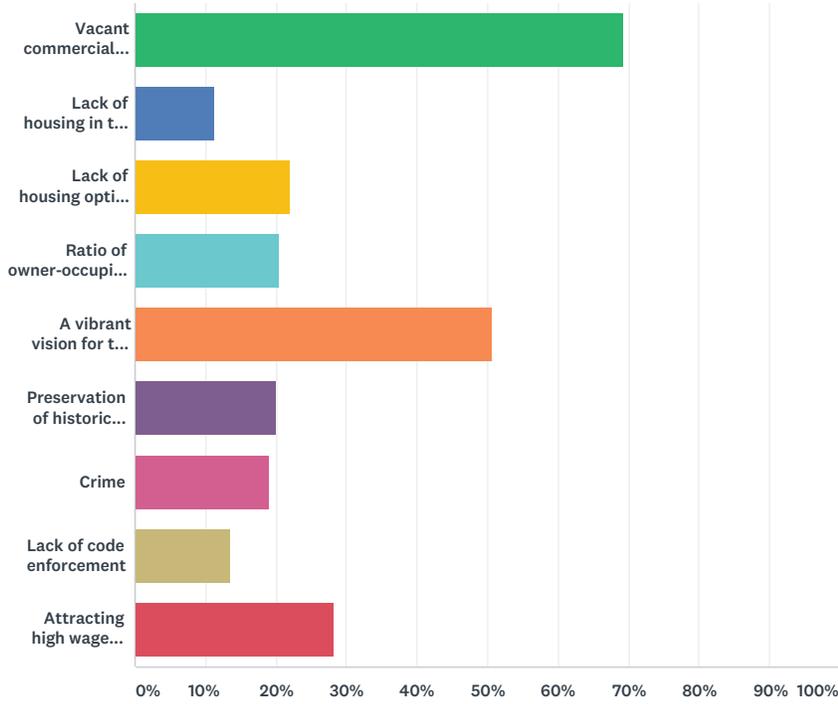


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City grants to new/start-up businesses downtown	50.28%	91
Improve/replace buildings on the grounds of the Ionia Free Fair	41.99%	76
Beautification such as street trees, landscaping, and public art	48.07%	87
Parks and recreation programs and facilities	61.33%	111
A senior citizen gathering venue with available technology such as wi-fi access	29.28%	53
Total Respondents: 181		



Q8 What are the most pressing issues facing the City today? (Choose no more than three). *Please note this is required to answer at least one.

Answered: 205 Skipped: 19

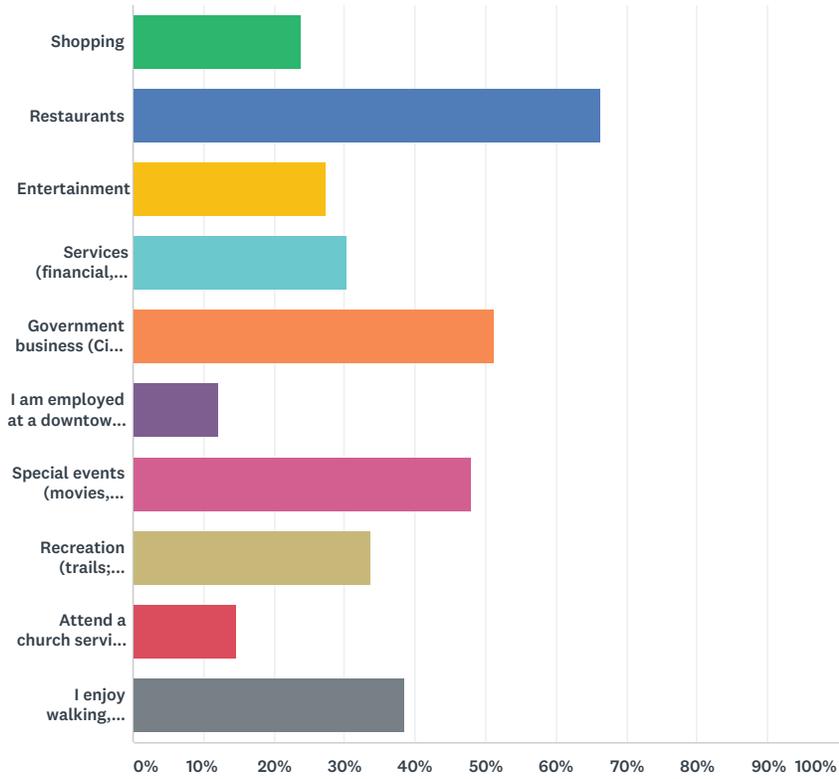


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Vacant commercial buildings	69.27% 142
Lack of housing in the Central Business District, such as Attached Urban Housing, and attached condominiums or rental dwelling units in converted buildings, that provide a range of price options, and bring vitality to the downtown area.	11.22% 23
Lack of housing options in all locations, such as Attached Urban Housing, attached condominiums or rental dwelling units, that provide a range of price options.	21.95% 45
Ratio of owner-occupied to renter occupied dwellings in the city, which is currently 55% owner occupied to 45% renter occupied.	20.49% 42
A vibrant vision for the city that will attract and retain the younger generation	50.73% 104
Preservation of historic houses	20.00% 41
Crime	19.02% 39
Lack of code enforcement	13.66% 28
Attracting high wage earners	28.29% 58
Total Respondents: 205	



Q9 Which of the following are the reasons that you visit downtown Ionia? (Choose the five reasons you most frequently visit the downtown area)

Answered: 205 Skipped: 19



City of Ionia

SurveyMonkey

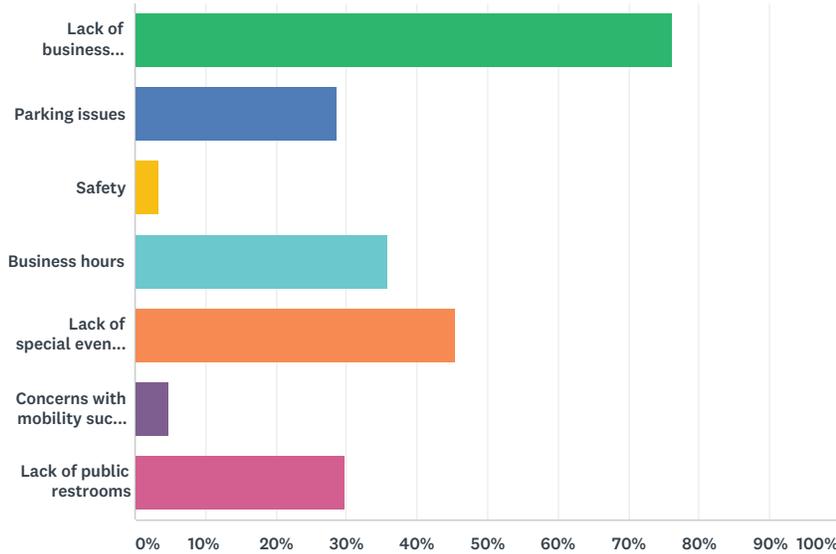
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Shopping	23.90% 49
Restaurants	66.34% 136
Entertainment	27.32% 56
Services (financial, insurance, fitness, salons, etc.)	30.24% 62
Government business (City Hall, Post Office, County business, dog license, etc.)	51.22% 105
I am employed at a downtown establishment	12.20% 25
Special events (movies, concerts, festivals, farmers market, etc.)	47.80% 98
Recreation (trails; playgrounds; pickle-ball; programs at the Armory; activities on the Grand River such as canoeing, kayaking, and fishing, etc.)	33.66% 69
Attend a church service or a religious activity	14.63% 30
I enjoy walking, biking, or driving through the downtown, to enjoy the aesthetics such as the historic buildings, and other inviting elements of a traditional small town.	38.54% 79

Total Respondents: 205



Q10 Which of the following are the primary reasons you do not visit downtown Ionia? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 185 Skipped: 39



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Lack of business choices (restaurants, shopping, services)	76.22% 141
Parking issues	28.65% 53
Safety	3.24% 6
Business hours	35.68% 66
Lack of special events or programs that interest me	45.41% 84
Concerns with mobility such as access for those with disabilities or mobility challenges	4.86% 9
Lack of public restrooms	29.73% 55
Total Respondents: 185	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	A Okay	4/11/2018 3:36 PM
2	Little reason to go to downtown; blighted, empty area; not welcoming; access roads into city do NOT draw people in; blight every where; windows of stores are dirty, cluttered, poor condition.....look up to boarded up windows!!!!, display "trash"; not welcoming for visitors; nothing offered to shop for; no regular business hours; if one has a choice to shop here, or Lowell.....where would YOU go to shop, eat, or spend your dollars; physical condition of downtown buildings seriously deteriorated.....no code enforcement; Registered Historic District.....have State resources been utilized; conditions have been the same for decades, and continue getting worse.....why would anything be different.....the City's reputation has been years in the making	4/10/2018 7:59 AM

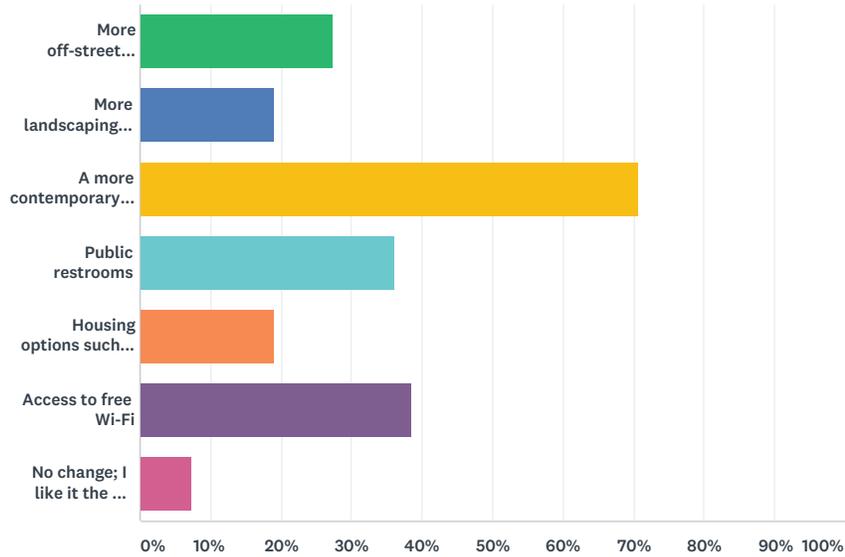


City of Ionia		SurveyMonkey
3	Would like to see more restaurants and entertainment options downtown. This would include indoor and outdoor options.	4/6/2018 6:30 PM
4	Dont go Downtown often	4/5/2018 10:53 PM
5	Dirty & shitty roads all over town.	4/5/2018 10:00 PM
6	Disrespectful Punks riding bikes and skateboards on sidewalks even though posted not to do so. It's the who's who of low-life wondering around town. Don't want to be associated with that.	4/5/2018 8:13 PM
7	A church is buying up most of a block. I don't believe this is the downtown development I want.	4/5/2018 7:56 PM
8	the very few small shops that are open downtown have horrible hours. I realize these stores will never fully be able to keep up with the large 24/7 stores but we are a society that now expects stores to be open Sundays and Mondays. These businesses really seem to be hurting themselves. Also, vacant after vacant buildings doesn't look very inviting to people as well as derelict looking buildings	4/5/2018 4:47 PM
9	The entire downtown area is run down buildings and houses. They look terrible. Also, we might have more businesses if the City lowers the rent on some of these vacant spaces	4/5/2018 1:47 PM
10	Nothing to do	4/3/2018 11:45 AM
11	we need a resturant that has buffet like the grand rapids area	4/2/2018 8:45 PM
12	Splash pad in the down town area would be wonderful for all ages ! New playgrounds too. Maybe all of that in the old Kmart lot.	4/2/2018 7:57 PM
13	No money to spend, poverty	4/2/2018 3:58 PM
14	Poor cell reception	4/2/2018 3:45 PM
15	Our family visits downtown Ionia regularly during the warmer months, as well as for special events during winter (Christmas Parade, etc)	4/2/2018 1:11 PM
16	The cult church that stole the west end of downtown Ionia.	4/2/2018 11:54 AM
17	Lack of wifi downtown	4/2/2018 11:46 AM
18	None of the above.	4/2/2018 11:06 AM
19	To much has been allowed to pass into religious control.	3/29/2018 4:41 PM
20	Look to Hastings as a fine example of what can be done in a small town. Art, sculpture, large selection of excellent restaurants, breweries, distilleries, a vibrant feeling.	3/29/2018 3:26 PM



Q11 What does the downtown need most? (Choose no more than three)

Answered: 205 Skipped: 19

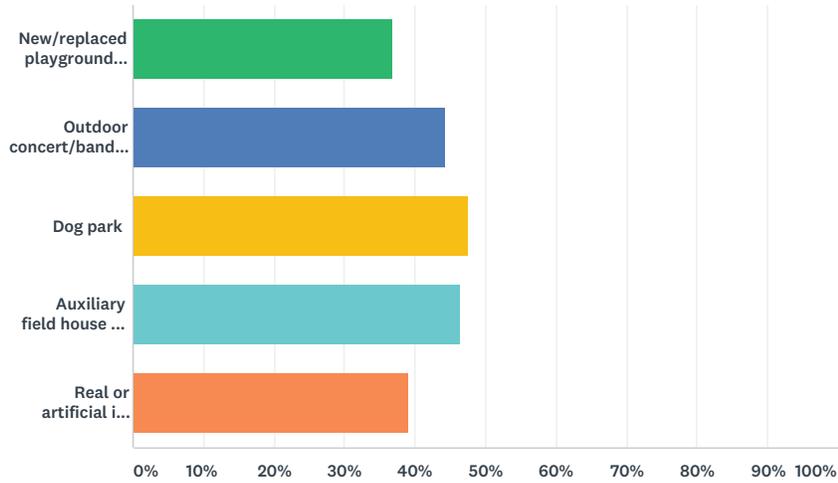


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
More off-street parking lots (attractive, well-lit)	27.32%	56
More landscaping (street trees, flowers)	19.02%	39
A more contemporary feel (outdoor cafes, coffee shops, plazas for special events, gathering spaces)	70.73%	145
Public restrooms	36.10%	74
Housing options such as Attached Urban Housing, that bring vitality to the downtown area	19.02%	39
Access to free Wi-Fi	38.54%	79
No change; I like it the way it is now	7.32%	15
Total Respondents: 205		



Q12 Which facilities NOT CURRENTLY available should be priorities of the Parks and Recreation Department? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 187 Skipped: 37

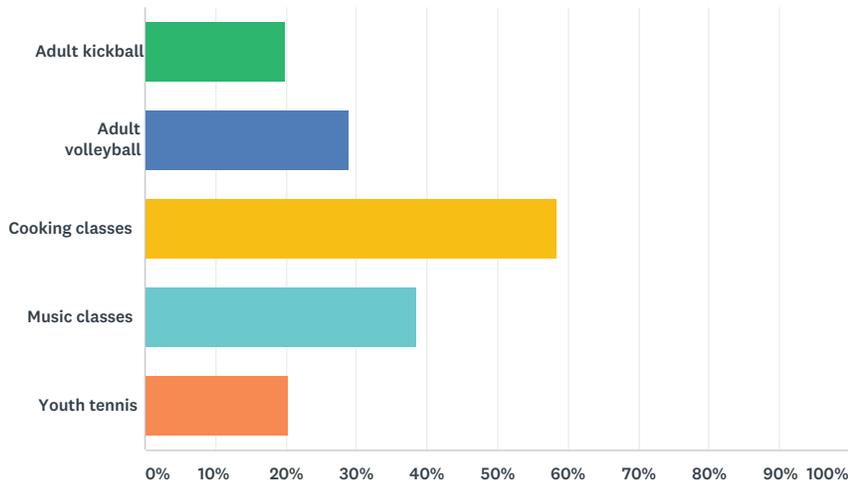


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
New/replaced playground equipment	36.90%	69
Outdoor concert/band shell	44.39%	83
Dog park	47.59%	89
Auxiliary field house for indoor football, gymnastics, basketball, soccer, fitness, volleyball, and with an indoor track	46.52%	87
Real or artificial ice for both competitive hockey and recreational skating	39.04%	73
Total Respondents: 187		



Q13 Which programs not currently offered by the Parks and Recreation Department are you or your family most likely to use? (Choose no more than three)

Answered: 197 Skipped: 27

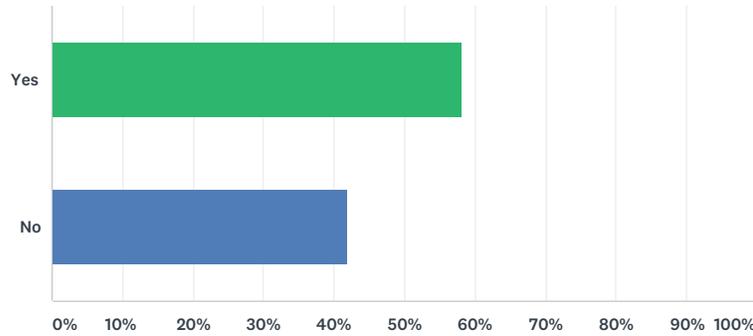


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Adult kickball	19.80%	39
Adult volleyball	28.93%	57
Cooking classes	58.38%	115
Music classes	38.58%	76
Youth tennis	20.30%	40
Total Respondents: 197		



Q14 Would you favor replacing the existing wooden play structure at McConnell Park/Fun Forest – (located between East Washington and East Main Streets) with new, updated play equipment, designed to be safe and accessible for all users?

Answered: 182 Skipped: 42

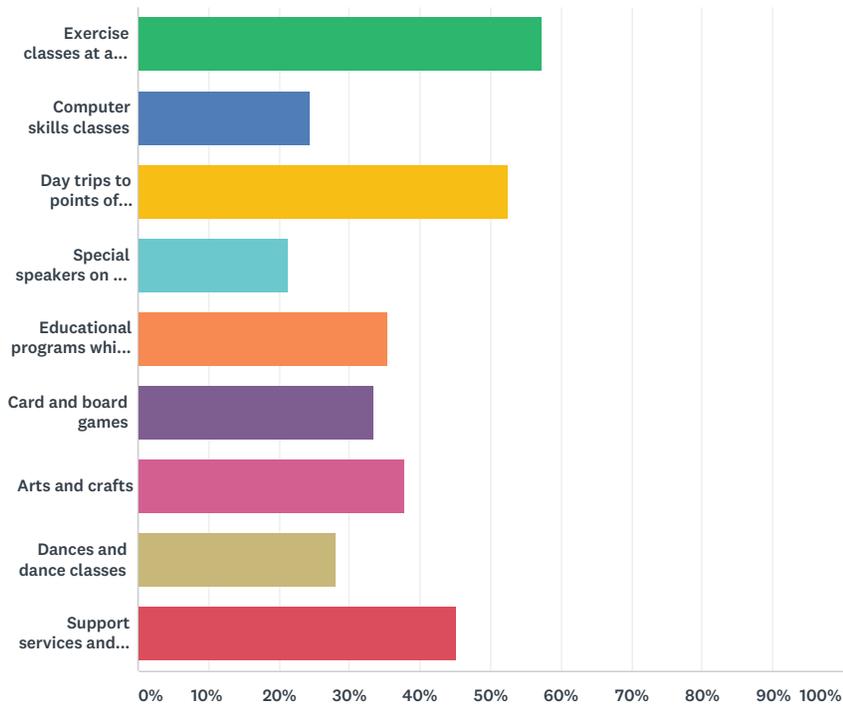


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	58.24%	106
No	41.76%	76
TOTAL		182



Q15 Which types of senior citizen programs are you most likely to use if offered by the Parks and Recreation Department? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 164 Skipped: 60



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Exercise classes at a variety of challenge levels; yoga, or tai chi classes	57.32%	94
Computer skills classes	24.39%	40
Day trips to points of interest and special events	52.44%	86
Special speakers on a variety of topics	21.34%	35
Educational programs which focus on topics in the arts, health, personal finance, travel, leisure pursuits, history, and more.	35.37%	58
Card and board games	33.54%	55
Arts and crafts	37.80%	62
Dances and dance classes	28.05%	46
Support services and resources for seniors	45.12%	74
Total Respondents: 164		





Appendix C

CITY OF IONIA

Opportunity to Comment – Draft 2019-2024 Recreation Plan

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Comments regarding the draft plan may also be offered at a Public Hearing which will be held as part of the Tuesday, January 8, 2019 City Council meeting. The meeting begins at 7:00 PM at City Hall. The City Council will be asked to adopt the draft plan following the Public Hearing.

Opportunity to Comment - Updated Recreation Plan

The City has prepared an updated Recreation Plan covering 2019-2024. Written comments regarding the plan will be accepted until January 7, 2019. Comments may also be made at the January 8, 2019 Council Meeting.

To review the draft plan, instructions, and notice; click on the download documents below the listed bullets.

- Review the draft plan
- Review instructions associated with offering comments regarding the plan
- Review the notice regarding the City Council Public Hearing about the plan

Download a File:

[City of Ionia Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Draft Plan 2019 - 2024](#)

[Opportunity to Comment Draft 2019-2024 Recreation Plan](#)

[Notice - City Council Public Hearing Recreation Plan](#)

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CITY OF IONIA

Winter 2018
Newsletter

City Recognizes Employee Milestone Anniversaries!

Congratulations to the following City employees celebrating employment anniversaries during 2018

<p>5 Years</p> <p>Daniel Bennett, Public Utilities Department Janice Gustafson, 4th Ward/City Council Charles Kinsman, Dial-A-Ride Keith Swanson, Public Safety Department Loren Weller, Dial-A-Ride</p>	<p>10 Years</p> <p>Linda Curtis, DDA Director Kevin Heinlein, Public Safety Department John Milewski, 3rd Ward/City Council Thomas Millard, 2nd Ward/City Council Keegan Rice, Parks & Recreation Department Heidi Wenzel, Dial-A-Ride Director</p>	<p>15 Years</p> <p>Scott Baker, Public Works Department Joseph Lafler, Public Utilities Department Lon MacLachlan, Dial-A-Ride Matt Painter, Parks & Recreation Department Karen Sprague, Public Safety Department</p>
<p>20 Years</p> <p>Michael Cronk, Public Safety Department</p>	<p>25 Years</p> <p>David Cunningham, Public Works Department John Odette, Public Safety Department Kim Patrick, 2nd Ward/City Council</p>	<p>30 Years</p> <p>Daniel Balice, Mayor/City Council Sue Simon, Dial-A-Ride</p>

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City Income Taxes – 2018 Filings: A reminder that city income taxes are due April 30 for everyone working or residing in the city. Individuals employed at any of the local correctional facilities are also required to file. City income tax forms are available at City Hall, the Ionia Community Library, or on the city’s website at www.cityofionia.org. Questions regarding the city income tax may be directed to incometax@ci.ionia.mi.us or 523-0142. A reminder that the city does not accept any e-filed returns, whether from Turbo Tax or your professional tax preparer, due to issues with how the electronic information interfaces with our software. Please be sure to print your city return and drop off at or mail to City Hall.

2019 Meeting Schedules: City Council and Planning Commission are as follow:

CITY COUNCIL

Meetings begin at 7:00 PM at City Hall:

January 8, 2019	July 2, 2019
February 5, 2019	August 6, 2019
March 5, 2019	September 3, 2019
April 9, 2019	October 1, 2019
May 7, 2019	November 5, 2019
June 4, 2019	December 3, 2019

PLANNING COMMISSION

Meetings begin at 4:30 PM at City Hall:

January 9, 2019	July 10, 2019
February 13, 2019	August 14, 2019
March 13, 2019	September 11, 2019
April 10, 2019	October 9, 2019
May 8, 2019	November 13, 2019
June 12, 2019	December 11, 2019



Granger Recycle Schedule ~ 2019

January	February	March
Monday, 7th	Monday, 4th	Monday, 4th
Monday, 21st	Monday, 18th	Monday, 18th

Trash and recycling containers must be streetside by 7:00 AM on the day of pickup. If placed later than 7:00 AM, it may not be picked up. Plastic bags are not allowed in recycling. Visit the City of Ionia website at www.cityofionia.org for more information. If you are billed for trash pickup and/or recycling by the city, call 523-0141 for any issues regarding pickup or trash/recycling carts. Please do not call Granger as the city is contracted with them for trash and recycling services.

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2019 Street/Utility Projects Planned: Although the asphalt has hardly cooled on this year’s projects, design work is underway and plans are developed for next summer’s street reconstruction projects. Improvements include replacing the underground municipal utilities (sanitary sewer main, storm sewer main, water main), curb, sidewalk, and street surface on the following streets during the 2019 construction season:

Street	From/To
Division Street	Lafayette Street to East Lincoln Avenue
Dye Street	Washington Street to Baldie Street
Lovell Place	Terrace Court to East Lincoln Avenue
Terrace Court	Division Street to Rich Street
Washington Street	Kidd Street to Dexter Street

Detailed project information will be provided to residents of these streets prior to the start of the projects.

City Code Enforcement

Odd/Even Parking - Residents are reminded of the “Odd/Even Parking Ordinance” which pertains to vehicles parked in the street overnight. The ordinance, in effect from **December 1 through March 31** each year, states that vehicles must be parked on the side of the street that coincides with the date of the month. For example, if the date after midnight is an even numbered date, vehicles must be parked on the side of the street that carries even house numbers. If the date after midnight is an odd number, vehicles must be parked on the side of the street that carries odd house numbers. Keep in mind what the date will be after midnight when parking a vehicle. The ordinance applies between **7:00 AM and 10:00 AM** to allow for proper snow removal on both sides of the street during winter months. The “Odd/Even Parking Ordinance” does not apply to areas with parking on only one side of the street. Contact the Public Safety at 527-4431 with questions regarding the ordinance.

Snow Removal - City code requires that every property owner or resident keep the sidewalk bordering their property free of snow and ice after every snowfall. City code does permit the city to have the snow and ice removed at the property owner’s expense with no advance notice. Contact Public Safety Officer Brian Vos at 523-0157 with questions regarding the ordinance. Also, when clearing snow from your sidewalk or driveway, please do not place the snow in the street or along the side (shoulder) of the street. It is against state statute to deposit snow, ice, or slush in the street or on the shoulder of the street. A citation can be issued to individuals who violate Statute MCL 257.677a.

Hydrant Snow Removal: If you have a fire hydrant located in front of or in close proximity to your home, please keep the snow removed from around it. In responding to an emergency, every second counts; and not having to remove snow from around the hydrant means quicker access.



Rental Registration: If you own residential rental property in the city, it **must** be registered with the city. The purpose of the rental inspection program is to ensure the safety of the tenants and maintain the quality of our neighborhoods. If you have a residential rental property that is not currently registered with the city or has not been inspected by the city, please contact Officer Brian Vos at the Public Safety Department via e-mail bvos@ci.ionia.mi.us or at 523-0157.

Parks & Recreation

Lil’ Hoopers March Madness: Registration is December 10, 2018, through February 8, 2019. Cost: \$40/Residents and \$50/Non-Residents. There are 60 players per 6 team division. Divisions are Coed. Boys and Girls ages 4, 5, and 6 are Division 1. Boys and Girls ages 7, 8, and 9 are Division 2. Games are played in the Armory Community Center Gymnasium on Monday and Wednesday (20 minute practice/30 minute game). Games begin March 4 and end March 25. *Late registration, if available, is \$60.00.

T-Ball: Registration is January 7 through April 5, 2019. Cost: \$40/Residents and \$50/Non-Residents. Teams are Coed. Boys and Girls ages 3 and 4 years old are Division 1. Boys and Girls ages 5 and 6 years old are Division 2. T-ball games and practices begin in May and are held at the Harwood Road Sports Complex softball fields behind the ISD school.

Spring Soccer: Registration is January 7 through March 15, 2019. Cost: \$40/Residents and \$50/Non-Residents. Teams are Coed. Games are played at the soccer fields in front of the Ionia High school.

Adult Summer Softball League: Registration is February 4 through April 12, 2019. Team entry fee: \$275 with no player fees. Men and Women eighteen years or older. Teams: Sunday Coed, Monday Coed, and Tuesday Nights. Umpire fees are \$12 per game per team and are paid at the field.

Christmas Tree Recycling Program: Residents may dispose of their Christmas trees by placing them streetside for collection on **Friday, January 4, 2019**. Trees placed by the street must be free of tree stands, ornaments, lights, and NOT to be placed in a plastic disposal bag.



Water Quality Report Available Online: The City’s 2017 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is available for review online at the City’s website www.cityofionia.org; select the *Departments* tab, then *Public Utilities*, and choose *Water Quality Report*.



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CITY OF IONIA
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
7:00 PM, TUESDAY – January 8, 2019
CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBER

A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Councilmembers Milewski, Winters, Kelley, Paton, Patrick, Millard, Waterman, Gustafson and Mayor Balice

D. Public Hearing: A Public Hearing to receive comments on the proposed City of Ionia – 2019 Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan.

E. Public Comments

F. Approval of Minutes December 4, 2018 Regular Meeting

G. Old Business

H. New Business

1. *Approve* – City of Ionia – 2019 Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan
2. *Approve* - FY18-19 Budget Amendments No. 2
3. *Approve* – Amendment to Standard Street Lighting Contract
4. *Approve* – 2020 Application for Financial Assistance – Dial-A-Ride

I. City Councilmember Comments

Accounts Payable – January 17, 2019 Councilmembers Milewski and/or Patrick
January 31, 2019 Councilmembers Millard and/or Gustafson

J. Adjournment

Public Participation

Section 3.02 of the City Council’s Rules of Order and Conduct for City Council Meetings dated December 30, 2008 provides an opportunity for the public to address Council during the Public Comment section identified on the agenda. Your opportunity to speak occurs after you have been recognized by the Mayor. When addressing the City Council please give your name and address. Comments are limited to 5 minutes unless additional time (up to 10 minutes) is granted by the Mayor.





CITY OF IONIA
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 8, 2019
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBER

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Daniel Balice called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 PM and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call revealed that Councilmembers John Milewski, Jeff Winters, Ted Paton, Kim Patrick, Tom Millard, Janice Gustafson, Troy Waterman and Mayor Balice present. Councilmember Gordon Kelley was excused.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Balice called the Public Hearing to order to receive comments on the proposed City of Ionia – 2019 Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan. He stated that if approved the proposed plan replaces the 2012 Parks and Recreation Plan previously approved by the City Council. He further stated that the purpose of the plan is to address all aspects of recreation programming and parks facilities development within the City during the next five years. Hearing no comments, Mayor Balice closed the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sam Hampshire expressed his concerns about the proposed ICA detention center.

Francis Kashot, speaking on behalf of AmericInn and Suites, spoke in favor of the proposed ICA detention center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councilmember Patrick, seconded by Councilmember Paton to approve the December 4, 2018 regular meeting minutes.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Milewski, Winters, Paton, Patrick, Millard, Gustafson, Waterman and Mayor Balice.
 Nays: None
 MOTION CARRIED



NEW BUSINESS**Approve – City of Ionia – 2019 Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan**

The City Manager reported that the current Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan expired December 31, 2017. With the assistance of Jan Johnson from MainStreet Planning Company, an updated plan covering the planning period of 2019 to 2024 was prepared. Both the format and content of the plan are consistent with the requirements established by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) and therefore makes the City eligible to submit grant requests for park development/acquisition projects. The MDNR requires that the public be provided an opportunity to offer comments regarding the plan for a minimum of 30 days. The public comment period began on November 30, 2018 when the plan and notice of the opportunity to comment on the plan were placed on the City’s website. Additionally, the MDNR requires that a Public Hearing on the proposed plan be held by the legislative body prior to adopting the plan. The notice regarding the Public Hearing was published in the December 4, 2018 edition of the *Sentinel-Standard*.

The proposed plan contains a listing of proposed improvements to the City’s existing park system and potential future park development projects.

It was moved by Councilmember Patrick, seconded by Councilmember Milewski to approve the following Resolution adopting the City of Ionia Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan covering the planning period of 2019 to 2024:

WHEREAS, the City of Ionia has undertaken the development of a Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan which describes the City physical features and existing parks and recreation facilities and open spaces, and the desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain these facilities during the period between 2019 and 2024; and,

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

WHEREAS, the public has had an opportunity to comment on the proposed plan, express opinions and ask questions through both a thirty day public comment period as well as during the Public Hearing held by the City Council at its January 8, 2019 regular meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ionia City Council hereby adopts the City of Ionia Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024 as a guideline for improving the parks system and recreation opportunities for the residents of the City of Ionia.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs the City Manager to submit the Plan to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Milewski, Winters, Paton, Patrick, Millard, Gustafson, Waterman and Mayor Balice
 Nays: None
 MOTION CARRIED

Approve – FY18-19 Budget Amendments #2

The City Manager stated that Staff recently completed a thorough review of the City’s revenue and expenditure reports through the end of December and is recommending the second round of adjustments to the FY18-19 budget. The first round of budget amendments were approved at the October 2018 Council Meeting. He provided highlights regarding the various amendments.

It was moved by Councilmember Millard, seconded by Councilmember Gustafson to approve Budget Amendments #2 to the FY18-19 budget and authorize the City Treasurer to make the necessary adjustment to the City’s financial reports.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Winters, Paton, Patrick, Millard, Gustafson, Waterman, Milewski and Mayor Balice
 Nays: None
 MOTION CARRIED

FY 18-19 Council Budget Adjustment #2

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2018-19 Amended Budget	Proposed Amendment #2	Proposed Budget After Amendment
Fund 101 - GENERAL FUND				
ESTIMATED REVENUES				
101-000.000-665.000	INTEREST	25,000	30,000	55,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		5,272,300	30,000	5,302,300
APPROPRIATIONS				
Dept 204.000 - FRONT OFFICE				
101-204.000-860.000	TRANSPORTATION AND TRAINING	500	1,500	2,000
Totals for dept 204.000 - FRONT OFFICE		209,700	1,500	211,200
Dept 208.000 - PLANNING & ZONING				
101-208.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	27,500	17,500	45,000
Totals for dept 208.000 - PLANNING & ZONING		30,075	17,500	47,575
Dept 265.000 - BUILDINGS - GROUNDS				



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101-265.000-954.000	INSURANCE	82,000	(10,000)	72,000
Totals for dept 265.000 - BUILDINGS - GROUNDS		268,200	(10,000)	258,200
Dept 965.000 - CONTRIBUTION				
101-965.000-999.239	CONTRIBUTION TO PARKS - FAC IMP FUND	140,000	85,000	225,000
Totals for dept 965.000 - CONTRIBUTION		790,000	85,000	875,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		5,643,300	94,000	5,737,300
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 101		(371,000)		(435,000)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		1,301,611		1,301,611
ENDING FUND BALANCE		930,611		866,611

Fund 203 - LOCAL STREETS

ESTIMATED REVENUES

203-000.000-569.000	STATE GRANT	0	56,000	56,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		951,050	56,000	1,007,050

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		991,000	0	991,000
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NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 203		(39,950)	56,000	16,050
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		223,686		223,686
ENDING FUND BALANCE		183,736		239,736

Fund 228 - SOLID WASTE FUND

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		481,600	0	481,600
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APPROPRIATIONS

Dept 463.700 - LEAF AND BRUSH PICKUP				
228-463.700-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	15,000	7,000	22,000
228-463.700-940.000	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	30,000	(7,000)	23,000
Totals for dept 463.700 - LEAF AND BRUSH PICKUP		94,500	0	94,500

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		480,100	0	480,100
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NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 228		1,500		1,500
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		108,314		108,314
ENDING FUND BALANCE		109,814		109,814

Fund 239 - PARKS - FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

ESTIMATED REVENUES

239-000.000-569.000	STATE GRANT	0	355,000	355,000
239-000.000-688.000	OTHER REVENUE	355,000	(355,000)	0
239-000.000-699.101	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM GENERAL FUN	140,000	85,000	225,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		585,100	85,000	670,100

APPROPRIATIONS

Dept 545.200 - ARMORY IMPROVEMENTS				
239-545.200-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	65,000	(20,000)	45,000
Totals for dept 545.200 - ARMORY IMPROVEMENTS		72,500	(20,000)	52,500



Dept 545.300 - TRAILHEAD PARK				
239-545.300-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	380,000	300,000	680,000
Totals for dept 545.300 - TRAILHEAD PARK		400,000	300,000	700,000
Dept 545.400 - SHATTUCK PARK				
239-545.400-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV			
239-545.400-805.400	ARCHITECTURAL-ENGINEERING	1,000	(750)	250
Totals for dept 545.400 - SHATTUCK PARK		1,000	(750)	250
Dept 545.500 - RIVERTRAIL/RAILTRAIL LINKAGE				
239-545.500-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	45,000	(45,000)	0
239-545.500-805.400	ARCHITECTURAL-ENGINEERING	10,000	(10,000)	0
Totals for dept 545.500 - RIVERTRAIL/RAILTRAIL LINKAGE		55,000	(55,000)	0
Dept 545.600 - ROBINSON PARK				
239-545.600-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	100,000	175,000	275,000
Totals for dept 545.600 - ROBINSON PARK		110,500	175,000	285,500
Dept 545.700 - HARPER PARK				
239-545.700-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	50,000	(25,000)	25,000
Totals for dept 545.700 - HARPER PARK		57,500	(25,000)	32,500
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		696,500	374,250	1,070,750
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 239		(111,400)		(400,650)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		440,472		440,472
ENDING FUND BALANCE		329,072		39,822

Fund 245 - INDUSTRIAL PARK LDFA

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
Dept 000.000				
245-000.000-430.000	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	20,000	2,500	22,500
245-000.000-573.000	LOCAL COMMUNITY STABILIZATION SHARE APPR	9,000	5,500	14,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		29,075	8,000	37,075
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		27,500	0	27,500
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 245		1,575		9,575
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		121,280		121,280
ENDING FUND BALANCE		122,855		130,855

Fund 248 - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT OPERATING

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
248-000.000-573.000	LOCAL COMMUNITY STABILIZATION SHARE APPR	190,000	4,500	194,500
248-000.000-649.000	VIRTUAL PRINT FEES	900	300	1,200
248-000.000-655.001	FARMERS MARKET FEES	900	300	1,200
248-000.000-688.000	OTHER REVENUE	200	300	500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		277,675	5,400	283,075
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		285,300	0	285,300



NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 248	(7,625)	(2,225)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	43,360	43,360
ENDING FUND BALANCE	35,735	41,135

Fund 249 - RECREATION DEPARTMENT

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	383,100	0	383,100
APPROPRIATIONS			
Dept 536.000 - ADMINISTRATION			
249-536.000-954.000 INSURANCE	5,200	(300)	4,900
Totals for dept 536.000 - ADMINISTRATION	174,725	(300)	174,425
Dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS			
249-560.000-762.313 YOUTH FOOTBALL ADVISORY BOARD	1,500	800	2,300
Totals for dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS	48,000	800	48,800
Dept 755.000 - ARMORY			
249-755.000-931.000 BUILDING REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	7,500	(500)	7,000
Totals for dept 755.000 - ARMORY	31,200	(500)	30,700
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	366,425	0	366,425
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 249	16,675		16,675
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	75,084		75,084
ENDING FUND BALANCE	91,759		91,759

Fund 250 - THEATRE FUND

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	268,475	0	268,475
APPROPRIATIONS			
Dept 442.000 - OPERATIONS			
250-442.000-801.000 CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	13,000	(2,000)	11,000
250-442.000-931.000 BUILDING REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	9,000	2,000	11,000
250-442.000-980.000 CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	4,700	4,700
Totals for dept 442.000 - OPERATIONS	269,000	4,700	273,700
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	269,000	4,700	273,700
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 250	(525)		(5,225)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	286,618		286,618
ENDING FUND BALANCE	286,093		281,393

Fund 420 - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

ESTIMATED REVENUES			
420-000.000-699.590 CONTRIBUTION FROM SEWER FUND	1,480,000	(2,500)	1,477,500
420-000.000-699.591 CONTRIBUTION FROM WATER FUND	1,480,000	(2,500)	1,477,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	2,960,000	(5,000)	2,955,000

APPROPRIATIONS

Dept 543.480 - 2017 BROOKS/HARTER/HACKETT



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420-543.480-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	7,500	(7,500)	0
420-543.480-805.400	ARCHITECTURAL-ENGINEERING	2,500	(2,500)	0
Totals for dept 543.480 - 2017 BROOKS/HARTER/HACKETT		10,000	(10,000)	0
Dept 543.490 - 2018 HACKETT/MARSHALL/STATE STREET IMP				
420-543.490-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	900,000	5,000	905,000
Totals for dept 543.490 - 2018 HACKETT/MARSHALL/STATE STREET IMP		1,030,000	5,000	1,035,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		2,960,000	(5,000)	2,955,000
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 420				0
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		1,000		1,000
ENDING FUND BALANCE		1,000		1,000

Fund 588 - DIAL-A-RIDE

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		1,267,663	0	1,267,663
APPROPRIATIONS				
Dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE				
588-558.000-968.000	DEPRECIATION	312	813	1,125
Totals for dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE		329,412	813	330,225
Dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS				
588-560.000-702.000	SALARY & WAGES	167,000	10,500	177,500
588-560.000-710.000	PAYROLL TAXES & FRINGE BENEFIT	62,000	1,500	63,500
588-560.000-954.000	INSURANCE	5,950	850	6,800
Totals for dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS		393,350	12,850	406,200
Dept 564.000 - MAINTENANCE				
588-564.000-930.000	VEHICLE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	10,000	3,000	13,000
Totals for dept 564.000 - MAINTENANCE		48,750	3,000	51,750
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		1,370,619	16,663	1,387,282
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 588				(102,956)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		791,510		791,510
ENDING FUND BALANCE		688,554		671,891

Fund 590 - SEWER DEPT.

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
590-000.000-643.000	UTILITY USAGE - CUSTOMERS	1,400,000	150,000	1,550,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		5,023,500	150,000	5,173,500
APPROPRIATIONS				
Dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE				
590-558.000-990.000	DEBT SERVICE - INTEREST PORTION	518,180	48,979	567,159
590-558.000-999.420	CONTRIB TO GRANT PROJECTS	1,430,000	47,500	1,477,500
Totals for dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE		2,740,380	96,479	2,836,859
Dept 563.000 - TREATMENT PLANT				
590-563.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	1,834,369	255,048	2,089,417
Totals for dept 563.000 - TREATMENT PLANT		1,834,369	255,048	2,089,417



TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	4,852,249	351,527	5,203,776
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 590	171,251		(30,276)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	9,940,849		9,940,849
ENDING FUND BALANCE	10,112,100		9,910,573

Fund 591 - WATER DEPT.

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
591-000.000-625.000	FIRE SUPPRESSION/CROSS CONNECTION FEES	110,000	5,000	115,000
591-000.000-642.000	UTILITY USAGE - STATE INSTITU	375,000	25,000	400,000
591-000.000-643.000	UTILITY USAGE - CUSTOMERS	1,125,000	75,000	1,200,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		3,606,000	105,000	3,711,000
APPROPRIATIONS				
Dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE				
591-558.000-990.000	DEBT SERVICE - INTEREST PORTION	560,000	(27,588)	532,412
591-558.000-999.420	CONTRIB TO GRANT PROJECTS	1,430,000	47,500	1,477,500
Totals for dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE		2,939,600	19,912	2,959,512
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		3,721,100	19,912	3,741,012
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 591		(115,100)		(30,012)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		8,072,193		8,072,193
ENDING FUND BALANCE		7,957,093		8,042,181

Fund 598 - IONIA REGIONAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
598-000.000-643.000	UTILITY USAGE - CUSTOMERS	1,834,369	255,048	2,089,417
598-000.000-646.000	SEWER USAGE-BERLIN TOWNSHIP	103,481	59,952	163,433
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		2,015,350	315,000	2,330,350
APPROPRIATIONS				
Dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE				
598-558.000-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES	185,000	(15,000)	170,000
598-558.000-965.000	REPLACEMENT FUND CONTRIBUTION	85,000	(85,000)	0
Totals for dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE		1,213,650	(100,000)	1,113,650
Dept 563.000 - TREATMENT PLANT				
598-563.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	120,000	430,000	550,000
598-563.000-931.000	BUILDING REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	20,000	(15,000)	5,000
Totals for dept 563.000 - TREATMENT PLANT		750,000	415,000	1,165,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		2,015,350	315,000	2,330,350
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 598				0
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		9,415,060		9,415,060
ENDING FUND BALANCE		9,415,060		9,415,060

Fund 661 - CENTRAL GARAGE

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
661-000.000-695.000	SALE OF PROPERTY	10,000	11,000	21,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		443,200	11,000	454,200



APPROPRIATIONS			
Dept 442.000 – OPERATIONS			
661-442.000-940.200	EQUIP RENTAL - BLDG & GROUNDS	1,000	1,000
Totals for dept 442.000 - OPERATIONS		283,500	284,500
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		439,300	440,300
NET OF REVENUES/APPROPRIATIONS - FUND 661		3,900	13,900
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		1,131,217	1,131,217
ENDING FUND BALANCE		1,135,117	1,145,117

Approve – Amendment to Standard Street Lighting Contract

The City Manager reported that Ionia Public Schools has requested that a street light be added by the driveway from Tuttle Road that leads to the bus garage/practice football field area of the High School complex. The Schools have agreed to pay the cost of installation with the on-going electrical expense being covered by the City as part of the City’s master street lighting contract/billing arrangement with Consumers Energy.

It was moved by Councilmember Patrick, seconded by Councilmember Winters to approve a prepared Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an amendment to the City’s Standard Lighting Contract for the installation of a 72 Watt LED cobra-head streetlight at approximately 380 East Tuttle Road in the City of Ionia.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Paton, Patrick, Millard, Gustafson, Waterman, Milewski, Winters and Mayor Balice
 Nays: None
 MOTION CARRIED

Approve – 2020 Application for Financial Assistance – Dial-A-Ride

The City Manager reported that a majority of the operating funds for Dial-A-Ride come from the State of Michigan through Public Act 51 of 1951. Public Act 51 authorizes the State to collect gas and weight taxes with a portion of the funds collected earmarked for public transportation. In exchange for the funds, recipients are required to annually develop a work plan for delivering transportation services which includes a budget which identifies funding sources for this service. For the State’s 2020 Fiscal Year budget (October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020), the City has identified that it will receive the following funds from the identified sources to support Dial-A-Ride operations:

Federal Funds	\$93,294 (Section 5311 Funds/18% of expenses + RTAP)
State Funds	\$207,056 (Based on 39.0667% of eligible expenses)
Local Funds	\$96,375 (millage and township/city contribution)
Local Funds – Fare	\$69,000 (ridership revenues)
Other Funds	<u>\$29,550</u> (MTC Host Agency, sale of equipment, etc)
TOTAL	\$495,275



The City Manager further stated that the City will also be requesting capital funding of \$329,500 from Federal Section 5309 Capital Discretionary Program Funds for three replacement buses, replacement of an administrative vehicle, maintenance equipment, facility improvements, and bus security and technology; \$21,507 for State Specialized Services funding for transporting elderly persons and persons with disabilities; and, \$168,500 in Federal Section 5316 Job Access Reverse Commute in continuation funding.

In order to be programmed for the funding, the City is required to express its intent to provide public transportation services during the referenced fiscal year and identify its expected expenses and other revenue sources.

It was moved by Councilmember Milewski, seconded by Councilmember Paton to adopt the following Resolution expressing the City’s intent to receive financial assistance for its Dial-A-Ride service through Public Act 51 of 1951, as amended, through the State of Michigan:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 51 of 1951, as amended (Act 51), it is necessary for the City of Ionia, a Home Rule City established pursuant to Public Act 279 of 1909, as amended, to provide a local transportation program for the state fiscal year of 2020 and, therefore, apply for state financial assistance under provisions of Act 51; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City of Ionia to name an official representative for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to certify that no changes in eligibility documentation have occurred during the past state fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, the performance indicators for this agency have been reviewed and approved by the City of Ionia; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ionia has reviewed and approved the proposed budget with sources of estimated federal funds of \$93,294; estimated state funds of \$207,056; estimated local funds of \$96,375; estimated fare box revenues of \$69,000; estimated other funds of \$29,550 with total estimated eligible expenses of \$493,300 for Fiscal Year 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ionia has also reviewed and approved the additional funding requests for capital funding of \$329,500 from Federal Section 5309 Capital Discretionary Program Funds for three replacement buses, replacement



administrative vehicle, maintenance equipment, facility improvements, bus security and technology; \$21,507 for State Specialized Services Funds for transporting elderly persons and persons with disabilities: and, \$168,500 Federal Section 5316 Job Access Reserve Commute in continuation funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ionia does hereby make its intentions known to provide public transportation services and to apply for state financial assistance with this annual plan, in accordance with Act 51.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager (Jason Eppler) is hereby appointed as the Transportation Coordinator for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51 for 2020.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Patrick, Millard, Gustafson, Waterman, Milewski, Winters, Paton and Mayor Balice
 Nays: None
 MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Waterman: Wished everyone a Happy New Year 2019.

Millard: Mentioned that the Annual Chamber Awards program will be on January 26th at Steele Street Hall.

Milewski: Encouraged everyone to attend the 80's retro-themed Senior Class Lock-In fundraiser at Steele Street Hall on January 12th.

ADJOURNMENT

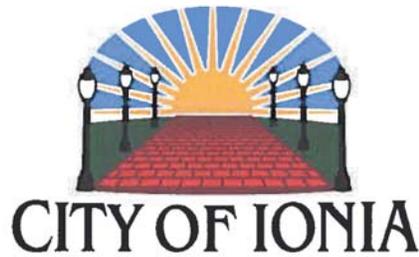
It was moved by Councilmember Winters, seconded by Councilmember Millard to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm.

By Voice Vote: MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted:

Ally H. Cook, Clerk





CITY OF IONIA

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IONIA ADOPTING THE CITY OF IONIA FIVE-YEAR COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN COVERING 2019-2024

At a Regular Meeting of the City of Ionia City Council held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, the following Resolution was offered by Councilmember Patrick and seconded by Councilmember Milewski:

WHEREAS, the City of Ionia has undertaken the development of a Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan which describes the City physical features and existing parks and recreation facilities and open spaces, and the desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain these facilities during the period between 2019 and 2024; and,

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

WHEREAS, the public has had an opportunity to comment on the proposed plan, express opinions and ask questions through both a thirty day public comment period as well as during the Public Hearing held by the City Council at its January 8, 2019 regular meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ionia City Council hereby adopts the City of Ionia Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024 as a guideline for improving the parks system and recreation opportunities for the residents of the City of Ionia.

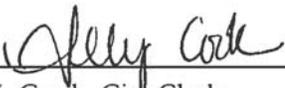
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs the City Manager to submit the Plan to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.



FOR: Councilmembers Gustafson, Milewski, Millard, Paton, Patrick, Waterman,
Winters and Mayor Balice
AGAINST: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Kelley
ABSTAINING: None

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution was unanimously resolved by the Ionia City Council at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019.





Ally H. Cook, City Clerk
Dated: January 9, 2019





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303 South Jackson Street
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February 1, 2019

Ms. Stephanie Fox, Administrator
Ionia County
100 West Main Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846

RE: City of Ionia Five-Year Community Recreation Plan

Dear Stephanie,

Enclosed please find one (1) copy of the City of Ionia Five-Year Community Recreation Plan (2019-2024) as recently adopted by the Ionia City Council.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely Yours,


Jason Eppler
City Manager

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February 1, 2019

Mr. Dave Bee, Director
West Michigan Regional Planning Commission
1345 Monroe Avenue, NW – Suite #265
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505

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City Manager

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Michigan Department of Natural Resources-Grants Management

COMMUNITY PARK AND RECREATION PLAN

CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

By Authority of Parts 19, 703 and 716 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, as amended, submission of this information is required for eligibility to apply for grants

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete, obtain certification signatures and submit this checklist with a locally adopted recreation plan.

All recreation plans are required to meet the content and local approval standards listed in this checklist and as outlined in the *Guidelines for the Development of Community Park and Recreation Plans* provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Plans must be submitted to the DNR through MiRecGrants **with** a completed checklist that has been signed by an authorized official(s) of the local unit of government(s) submitting the plan. Plans may be submitted at any time of the year, but no later than February 1 of the year the local unit of government is applying for grants.

PLAN INFORMATION		
Name of Plan: City of Ionia - Five Year Community Parks & Recreation Plan 2019-2024		
List the community names (including school districts) that are covered under the plan and have passed a resolution adopting the plan.	County	Month and year plan adopted by the community's governing body
City of Ionia	Ionia	January 2019
PLAN CONTENT		
INSTRUCTIONS: Please check <u>each</u> box to certify that the listed information is included in the <u>final</u> plan.		
X 1. COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION		
X 2. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roles of Commission(s) or Advisory Board(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department, Authority and/or Staff Description and Organizational Chart <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual and Projected Budgets for Operations, Maintenance, Capital Improvements and Recreation Programming <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current Funding Sources <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Role of Volunteers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Relationship(s) with School Districts, Other Public Agencies or Private Organizations 		
Recreation Authorities or Trailway Commissions Only:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Description of the Relationship between the Authority or Commission and the Recreation Departments of Participating Communities <input type="checkbox"/> Articles of Incorporation 		
X 3. RECREATION INVENTORY		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Description of Methods Used to Conduct the Inventory <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inventory of all Community Owned Parks and Recreation Facilities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Location Maps (site development plans recommended but not required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accessibility Assessment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities <input type="checkbox"/> Waterways Inventory (if applicable) 		
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. RESOURCE INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)		
X 5. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANNING PROCESS		



X 6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

X Description of the Method(s) Used to Solicit Public Input Before or During Preparation of the Plan, including a Copy of the Survey or Meeting Agenda and a Summary of the Responses Received

X Copy of the Notice of the Availability of the Draft Plan for Public Review and Comment

Date of the Notice November 30, 2018

Type of Notice City Website/Bulletin Board

Plan Location City Hall, Parks & Rec Office

Duration of Draft Plan Public Review Period (Must be at Least 30 Days) To January 8, 2019

X Copy of the Notice for the Public Meeting Held after the One Month Public Review Period and Before the Plan's Adoption by the Governing Body(ies)

Date of Notice December 4, 2018

Name of Newspaper Ionia Sentinel-Standard

Date of Meeting January 8, 2019

X Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting

X 7. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

X 8. ACTION PROGRAM

X 9. POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT(S)

PLAN ADOPTION DOCUMENTATION

APPROVAL DOCUMENTATION: For multi-jurisdictional plans, **each** local unit of government must pass a resolution adopting the plan. Prepare and attach a separate page for each unit of government included in the plan.

X 1. Official resolution of adoption by the governing body dated: January 9, 2019

2. Official resolution of the _____ Commission or Board, recommending adoption of the plan by the governing body, dated: _____

X 3. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to County Planning Agency dated: February 1, 2019

X 4. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to Regional Planning Agency dated: February 1, 2019

OVERALL CERTIFICATION

NOTE: For multi-jurisdictional plans, Overall Certification must include the signature of each local unit of government. Prepare and attach a separate signature page for each unit of government included in the plan.

I hereby certify that the recreation plan for

CITY OF IONIA _____ *includes the required content, as indicated*
(Local Unit of Government)

above and as set forth by the DNR.

 _____
 Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government February 2, 2019
 Date

This completed checklist must be uploaded in MiRecGrants.





Appendix D



CORRIDOR PLAN KEY

- 1 Grand River Bridge
- 2 Possible Roundabout at Enhanced City Gateway
- 3 Ionia Gateway Park
- 4 Steele Street Road-Diet Improvements including Dedicated Bike Lanes
- 5 Enhanced Intersection
- 6 Ionia Fairgrounds Enhanced Entrance
- 7 Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail Connection
- 8 Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail-Trail
- 9 Small and Large Dog Parks
- 10 Pond with Boardwalk & Preserved Natural Areas
- 11 Youth Soccer Fields
- 12 Multi-Use Fields
- 13 Lighted Softball Fields
- 14 Recreation Plaza with Restroom Building, Storage Space & Playground
- 15 Sand Volleyball & Picnic Area
- 16 Multi-Use Recreation Building
- 17 Commercial Buildings
- 18 Silo Residential
- 19 Multi-Family Residential
- 20 Pedestrian Bridge (Built 2015)
- 21 Trailhead Park (Built 2019)
- 22 Proposed City of Ionia Library
- 23 Flexible Small Event Public Space
- 24 Multi-Use Plaza & Lawn
- 25 Enhanced Pedestrian Corridor
- 26 Potential Future Development



Flexible Small Event Public Space



Trailhead Park Multi-Use Plaza Option



Silo Residential



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*The 100 Year Floodplain and the Floodway are based on data provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).



Monument Ionia Welcome Sign at City Gateway Park



Nature Boardwalk



Big and Small Dog Park



Dedicated Bicycle Lanes



City of Ionia, Michigan
Steele Street Corridor Plan
October 2018

Adopted as Part of the 2019-2024 City of Ionia Community Parks and Recreation Plan on January 8, 2019.



City of Ionia Harper Park Proposed Improvements

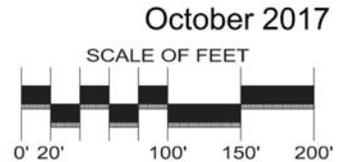


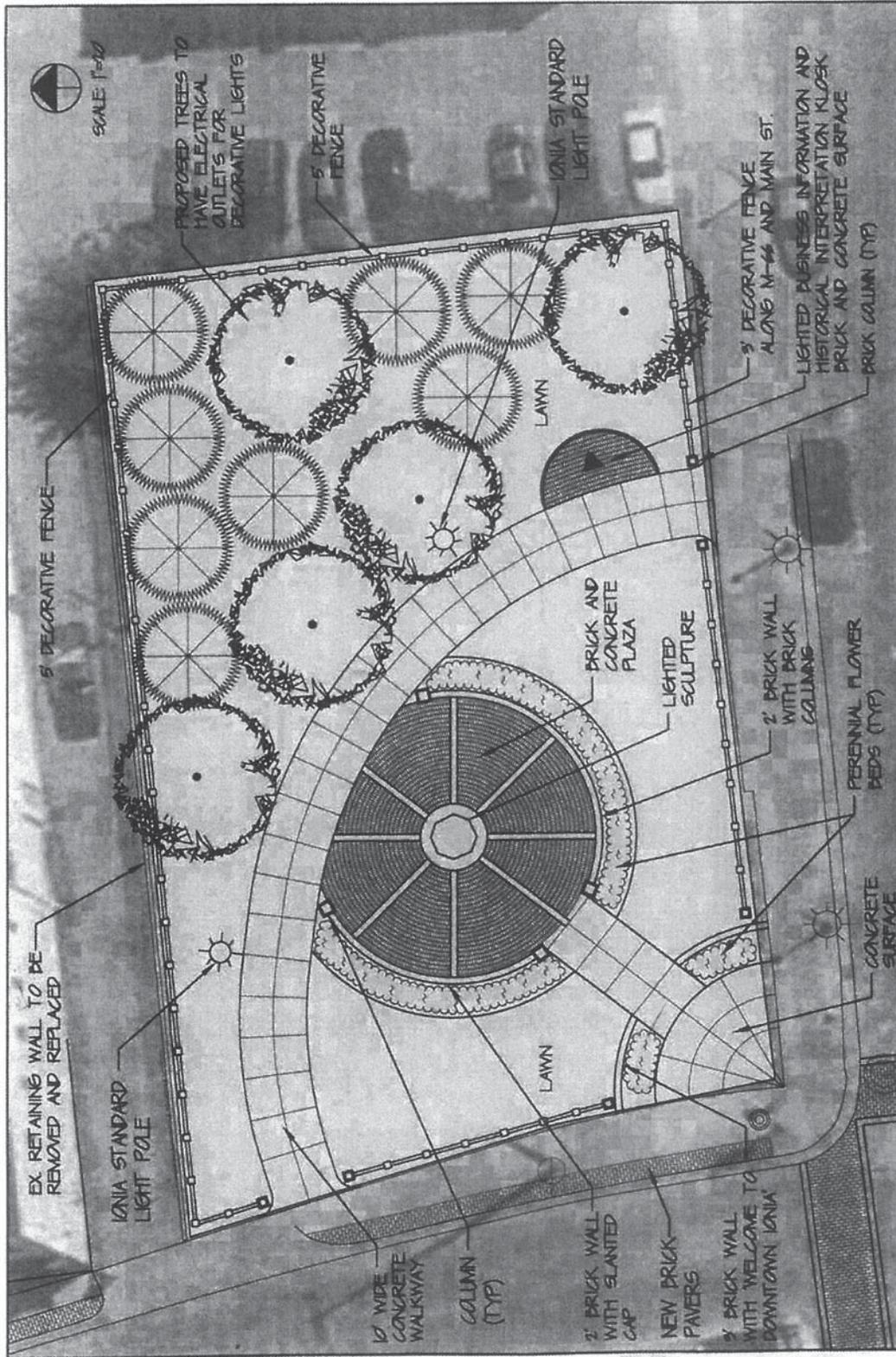
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