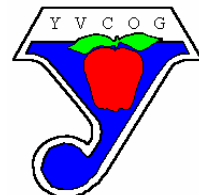


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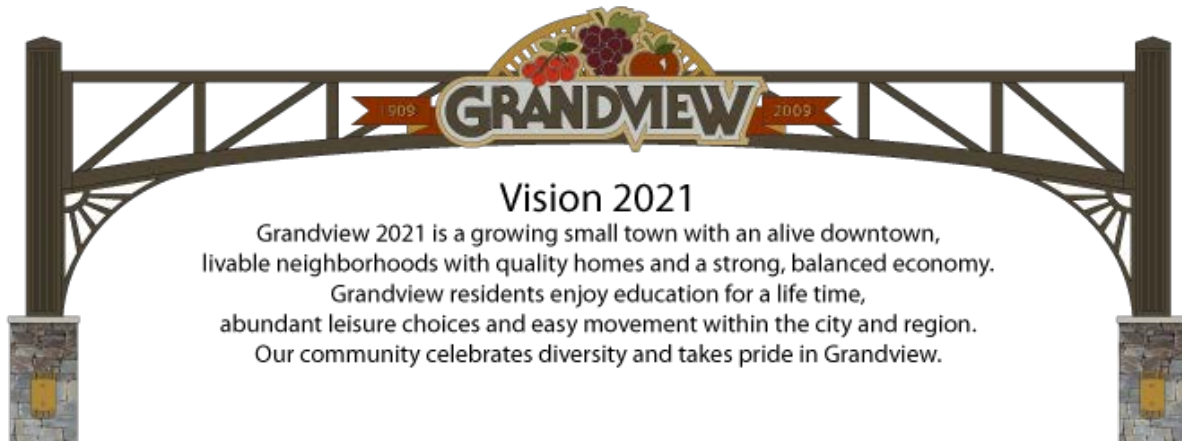
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Introduction

The City of Grandview is proud of its public parks, recreation programs, scenic vistas and open green spaces. City leaders want to ensure that planning for parks and recreation continues to be a central focus of Grandview’s municipal government. Grandview continues to operate under its “Vision 2021” which states:



Parks and Recreation facilities and programs are paramount to providing livable neighborhoods, abundant leisure choices, and easy movement within the city and region, in line with Vision 2021. In addition, Parks and Recreation fits in with three of Grandview’s five key goals – a United Community, More Leisure Opportunities, and a Great Place to Live.

The previous comprehensive parks plan has guided several successful park and recreation development programs. Grandview has been recognized by the National Arbor Day Foundation as a Tree City USA Community for the 17th straight year and the Home of the Month Program is now in its 18th consecutive year. The city hosts many successful recreational events throughout the community and at the Grandview Community Center. New park facilities have also been constructed under the direction of the current comprehensive parks plan. The Palacios Pathway connecting Prosser, Grandview and Sunnyside has been completed and new playground structures have been installed at Dykstra, Eastside, Westside, Country Park Events Center, and Water Tower Parks.

Goals

- Responsive city government
 - Cost effective services
- Strong economy
 - More businesses, more jobs
- United community
 - Inclusive and proud
- More leisure opportunities
 - Quality parks, recreation choices
- Great place to live
 - Safe, attractive, livable & growing small town

Mission

The mission of the city of Grandview is to create a financially sustainable city and to provide cost effective municipal services. The city engages our citizens, partners with the community and works with other governments for the betterment of the Grandview community.

The previous Comprehensive Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan took past events into account and address

them in order to move forward with renewed priorities and strategies. Previous planning efforts were undertaken to update the current plan as a response to the requirements of growth management and to facilitate the Mayor's and City Council's *Vision 2021*. Additionally, the residents of Grandview have a strong interest in park facilities and recreation programs.

Much has changed since the adoption of the 2007-2012 Comprehensive Parks, Recreation, & Open Space plan. The key project was completion of the Grandview Community Center at 812 Wallace Way in 2012. The community center includes an indoor gym, gathering spaces, commercial-scale kitchen, game rooms, meeting areas, and office space. Other notable improvements include a new sign and memorial for the American Legion at the east entrance which was completed by Eagle Scouts, relocation of the rose garden from the Westside Park to the East Entrance, along with the addition of a new gazebo and archway. Also up for consideration is a project for the design and construction of a new museum facility behind the community center at the Country Park Events Center.

This Comprehensive Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan update responds to the community's desires for recreation and open space facilities and provides meaningful direction for managing these facilities. This plan is consistent with the Goals and Mission of the City of Grandview, Washington's Growth Management Act requirements, and requirements outlined under the Recreation and Conservation Office Planning guidelines.



Section 1 - Description of Planning Area

History

Grandview, like many other communities located in the Yakima Valley can attribute its origins to expansion of railroad lines, specifically the Northern Pacific Railway. The site for Grandview was selected in 1905 to serve as a terminus for the Sunnyside Branch of the Northern Pacific Railway. The City site was designed and platted at that time, and named 'Grandview' due to its outstanding view of Mt. Adams and Mt. Rainier.

In the late 1880's, the Yakima Valley was recognized by railroad officials and land speculators to be an area with an enormous amount of agricultural potential. Railroad officials acted quickly, and in 1889, devised a plan to purchase land in the valley and formed a company to irrigate these lands. During this period, a total of three irrigation companies were organized and pumping plants were installed leading to the first intensive cultivation of land in 1903.

Growth in Grandview for the most part, has been incremental in all directions from the original city site, with commercial growth generally following Wine Country Road (east-west), and with industrial growth occurring along the rail corridor (northwest - southeast). Residential growth has occurred mostly south of the commercial areas and east of the industrial areas. Since 1960, most of the residential growth has been in the southwest portion of the City.

In late 1950's, the city annexed a noncontiguous area of city property across the Yakima River, 2½ miles south of Grandview. A lagoon type sewage disposal treatment system and a sanitary landfill occupy roughly 970 acres of this 1,136 acre property. A reservoir site occupies another noncontiguous parcel of city property located northeast of the city.

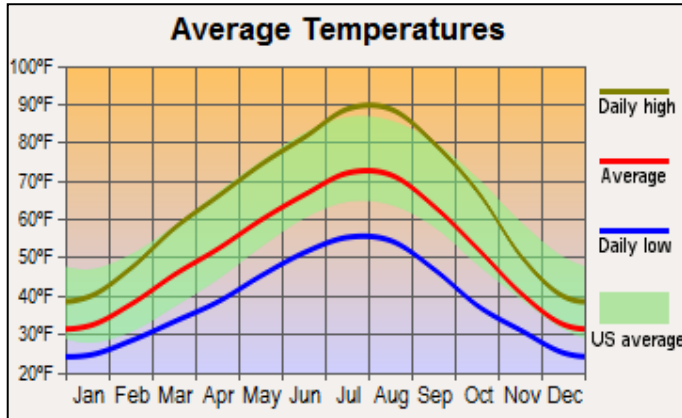
Physical Setting

Grandview is located in the south-central section of Washington State, along the eastern boundary of Yakima County. The city lies along Interstate 82 approximately 40 miles from the Yakima metropolitan area and 40 miles from the Tri-Cities metropolitan area. The city of Sunnyside is 6 miles to the northwest, and the city of Prosser is 8-miles to the east. The majority of the City of Grandview lies north of the Yakima River in a fertile irrigated valley that is in the middle of the Lower Yakima Valley between the Rattlesnake Hills to the north and the Horse Heaven Hills to the south. The Cascade Mountains, about 70 miles to the west, rise to elevations of 5,000 to 7,000 feet with peaks in excess of 10,000 feet. The elevation of Grandview and its immediate vicinity is approximately 800 feet.

Climate

The climate for the Yakima Valley is generally characterized as being mild and dry, influenced by both the maritime and continental climates and modified by the Cascades and Rocky Mountains.

Summers are sunny with daily temperatures ranging from 65 to 90 degrees. The dry air



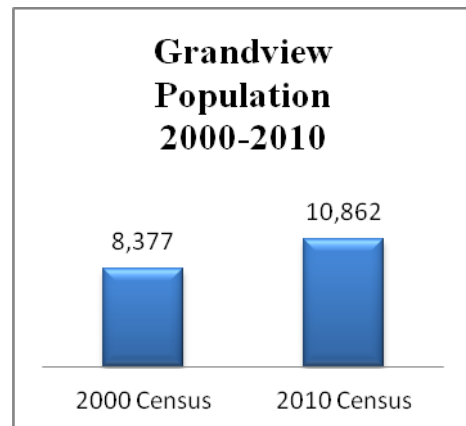
results in rapid temperature declines after sunset providing cool evening temperatures, usually into the 50's. Temperatures of 100 degrees or more occur from time to time during the months of July and August. With an average 300 days of sunshine each year, there are plenty of opportunities for citizens to get outside and enjoy our parks.

Source: <http://www.city-data.com/city/Grandview-Washington.html>

Precipitation in the area follows the west coast marine climate, exhibiting the typical late fall and early winter maximum rainfall. Over half of the area's 6.5 inches of precipitation is received in the four months of November through February. Snowfall is generally light, with an average cumulative seasonal snowfall ranging from 20 to 25 inches.

Demographics

The City of Grandview has grown steadily since its incorporation in 1909 with a 2010 population of 10,862 (2010 Census) and an estimated 2013 population of 11,010 (OFM, 2013). Table 1.1 shows the Census population by decade and the associated rate of increase. The average rate of growth over the past 50 years within the city has ranged from a low of 0.71% per year between 1960 and 1970, to a high of 7.2% per year between 1940 and 1950. The high rate of growth that Grandview experienced since 2000 has slowed down slightly since the 2010 census, according to recent OFM estimates.



Year	Census Population	OFM Population Estimate	Total Change Per Decade	Average Change Per Year	Percent Change Per Decade	Average Percent Change Per Year
1910	320	-	-	-	-	-
1920	1,011	-	691	69.1	216%	21.59%
1930	1,085	-	74	7.4	7%	0.73%
1940	1,449	-	364	36.4	34%	3.35%
1950	2,503	-	1,054	105.4	73%	7.27%
1960	3,366	-	863	86.3	34%	3.45%
1970	3,605	-	239	23.9	7%	0.71%
1980	5,615	-	2,010	201.0	56%	5.58%
1990	7,169	-	1,554	155.4	28%	2.77%
2000	8,377	-	1,208	120.8	17%	1.69%
2010	10,862	-	2,485	248.5	30%	2.97%
2011	-	10,920	-	58.0	-	0.53%
2012	-	11,000	-	80.0	-	0.73%
2013	-	11,010	-	10.0	-	0.09%
2014	-	11,170	-	160.0	-	1.45%

Table 1.1 - City of Grandview Population Trends
Source - 2010 Census/OFM Estimates

The age group which imposes the greatest demand on public park and recreation facilities is school age children. As Table 1.2 below shows, the school age population of 5-19 year olds accounts for approximately 28% of the city’s total population. In addition to the large number of school aged persons, the second largest increase from 2000-2010 was in children under 5 years old, which will require facilities far into the future. A growing population of 20-44 years olds since the 2000 census goes hand-in-hand with the increase in younger children. The Median age in Grandview is 26.3 years.

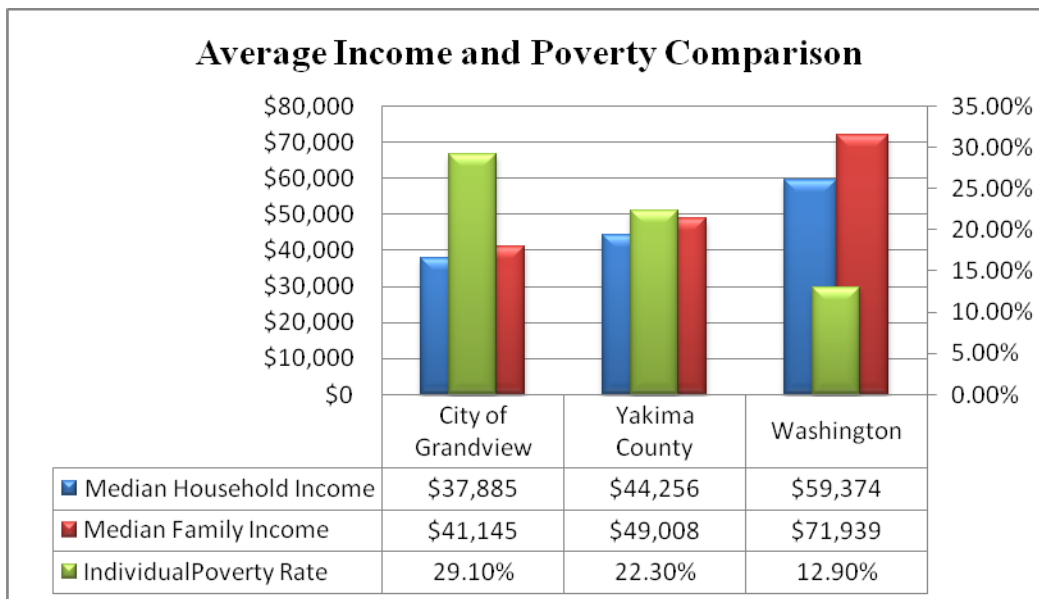
The City of Grandview Parks and Recreation Department also has a significant number of recreation programs designed to involve older residents. Those persons within the city limits in 2010 age 65 and older numbered 855 or 7.9% of the population. This segment of the population has been in the decline of late. However, with a significant increase in ages 35-64 in the last decade, it is evident that programs for seniors will continue to be important to the community.

Age Group	Number of Persons in 2000	Percentage of Persons in 2000	Number of Persons in 2010	Percentage of Persons in 2010	Change from 2000 to 2010	Percentage change from 2000 to 2010
65 & Over	788	9.4%	855	7.9%	67	8.5%
55-64	520	6.2%	812	7.5%	292	56.2%
45-54	826	9.9%	1,043	9.6%	217	26.3%
35-44	996	11.9%	1,371	12.6%	375	37.7%
25-34	1,266	15.1%	1,540	14.2%	274	21.6%
20-24	639	7.6%	893	8.2%	254	39.7%
15-19	790	9.4%	903	8.3%	113	14.3%
10-14	779	9.3%	1,009	9.3%	230	29.5%
5-9	863	10.3%	1,152	10.6%	289	33.5%
Under 5	910	10.9%	1,284	11.8%	374	41.1%
TOTAL	8,377	100.0%	10,862	100.0%	2,485	29.7%

Table 1.2 - City of Grandview Population Age by Group

Source - 2010 Census

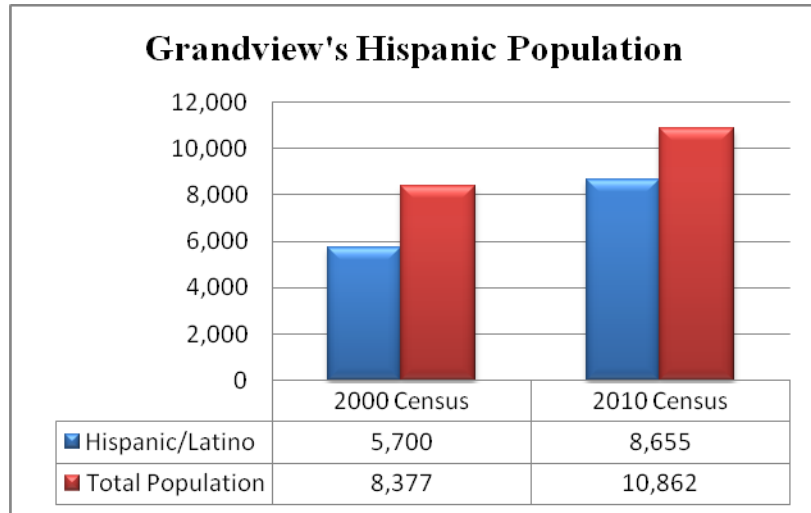
The following graph compares income statistics for the City of Grandview with Yakima County and the State of Washington. Grandview is below the Median Household and Family income levels for Yakima County, which is significantly below the average state levels. In addition, the percentage of persons living below the poverty level in Grandview grew from 20.3% in 2000 to 29.1% in 2012 (2000 Census, 2005-2012 ACS estimates).



Grandview’s lower average household/family income and higher poverty rate highlights the importance of having low-cost recreational options for all citizens.

In addition to population segments mentioned above, Grandview’s Hispanic/Latino population has also seen a large increase since the 2000 Census. The Census has a separate category for people who identify as Hispanic or Latino, as it is considered an ethnicity, not a race. The growing number of Hispanic persons in Grandview is important to the future of Parks and Recreation.

Our 2014 survey was made available in both English and Spanish to ensure that all people are able to provide their input. Providing park amenities and programs that cater to all ethnicities in Grandview is a top priority as we move forward. All demographic data can be found in Appendix A.



Section 2 – Existing Recreation Areas and Facilities

Regional Park Facilities

Residents of the City of Grandview have access to a variety of regional park facilities outside of the city. Mt. Rainier National Park which is operated by the National Park Service and Mt. Adams which is managed jointly by the United States Forest Service and the Yakama Nation are both approximately 3 hours by automobile. These areas provide citizens with activities such as hiking, camping, sight-seeing and nature observation and are geared more for adults and families who have more than one day to visit and explore the various features.

Regional facilities closer to the City of Grandview include the Toppenish Wildlife Refuge and the Sunnyside Wildlife Area, both of which are a few miles south of Grandview. Both of these areas offer trails and bird watching. There are also four State parks within a 60 mile radius of Grandview which offer a more traditional park experience. These State parks are: Fort Simcoe, Sacajawea, Brooks Memorial and Yakima Sportsman State Park.

The City of Sunnyside operates one nearby regional facility that is used frequently by residents of Grandview. Sunnyview Park is a 30 acre facility lying between Grandview and Sunnyside. This park consists of three baseball/softball fields and two soccer fields. It also features two picnic shelters, a basketball hard court, volleyball court and a skate park. Parking and restroom facilities are available at this handicap accessible park.

Open Space Corridors

The Growth Management Act (GMA) requires cities to identify open space corridors within and between urban growth areas. These corridors must include lands that are useful for recreation, wildlife habitat, trails and connection of critical areas. Both the Yakima River and the Lower Valley Pathway are major resources for providing open space corridors. The river itself is a potential corridor for recreational travel.

The Lower Valley Pathway is cooperatively maintained by Yakima County, Benton County and the cities of Grandview, Sunnyside and Prosser. Each respective jurisdiction maintains that portion of the pathway lying within its boundaries. Restroom facilities, picnic shelters, benches and limited handicap accesses are available at various points along the pathway. The trail is open to walking, jogging and bicycles.

As bicycle tours of Yakima Valley wineries grow in popularity, such a route could be an economic asset as well as a local recreational amenity. While the corridor has value as a local recreational resource, the city should continue promoting the integration of the trail as part of a linked bicycle touring system to attract visitors. One long-range idea is to eventually link the Lower Valley Pathway with the existing Greenway located in the upper valley around the City of Yakima. This would provide a paved non-motorized trail that connects the upper and lower valley and would come close to completely crossing Yakima County.

Areas in the flood plain of the Yakima River offer wildlife habitat and recreation corridor potential. Direct access to the Yakima River is currently not available as the river lies about 2 miles south of the City of Grandview. However, a separate disconnected portion of the City which houses the wastewater treatment plant lies just south of the Yakima River. This 1,136 acre area is off limits to the public and access to the natural habitat this area offers is currently not available.

While some of the flood plain area may have restricted access or not be readily accessible, other areas may be suitable for wildlife viewing, nature study, or similar activities. Where development has not occurred along the riverbank, the areas should be evaluated for such uses depending on accessibility. Lifting the restricted access on a portion of the land housing the wastewater treatment plant would greatly enhance the amount of natural corridor currently available to the citizens of Grandview.

Existing Local Facilities

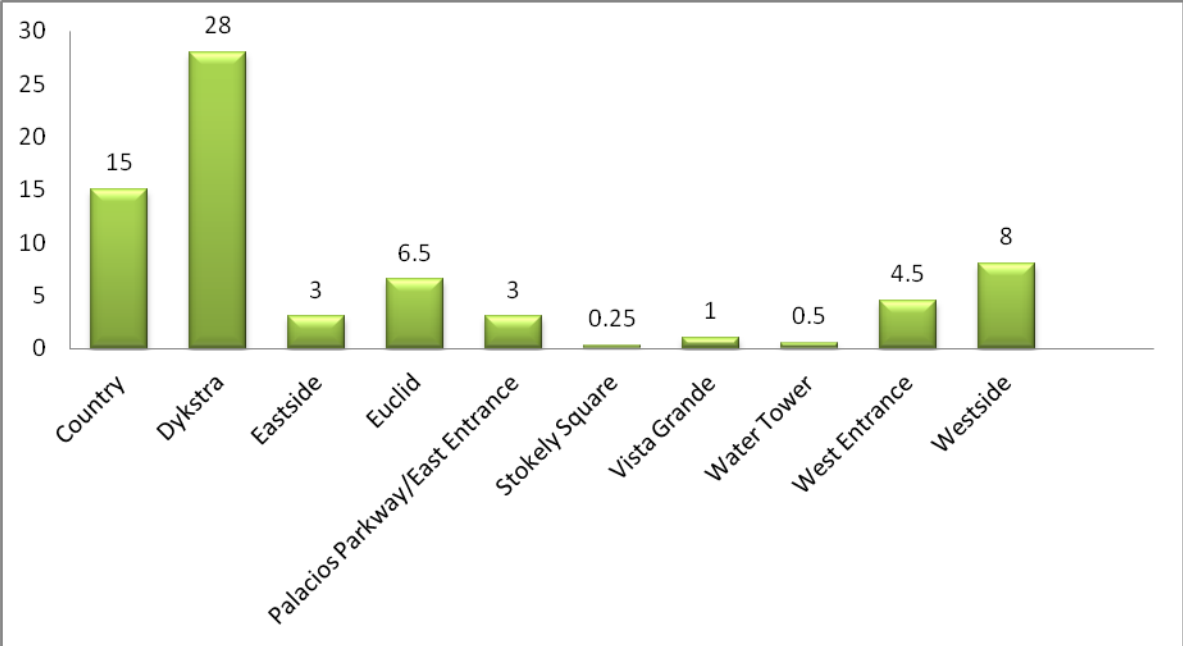
Based on a detailed Geographic Information Systems (GIS) analysis it was determined that the City of Grandview is currently providing 69.75 acres of city owned park recreation areas (see Table 6). The Grandview area has approximately 115 acres available for recreational purposes when land provided by the Grandview School District and private entities is added to the City's acreage.

Level of service standards are often used to assess the need for additional park and recreation facilities. Many communities have adopted standards based on the National Recreation and Park Association's (NRPA) guidelines. NRPA recommends a total of 6.25 to 10.5 acres of open space per 1000 people. Additionally, NRPA suggests a classification system for parks based on their service area. The different types of parks, such as neighborhood or community parks vary in size and service area, with community parks having a service area of a 1 to 2 mile radius.

Using both of these NRPA guidelines the City of Grandview has sufficient park and open space areas. Grandview's 2014 population of 11,170 (2014 OFM estimate) and 69.75

acres of parkland is at the lower end of the NRPA guidelines of supplying between 69 and 117 acres of recreation and open space land for that population. Grandview does the NRPA’s second service area suggestion of having a classification system for the different community, neighborhood, mini-parks, and pathways, as demonstrated below. The broad distribution of park facilities leaves no portion of the City outside of a parks service area and therefore no residents are underserved by not having a park within their vicinity.

Table 6. Existing Recreation Areas



Park Classification

As part of this Plan, the existing parks will be classified based upon their size and/or park type. There are three main types of parks: Community Parks, Neighborhood Parks, and Mini-Parks. Also included in the classification scheme are Greenways/Pathways.

Community Parks: These parks are usually 20 or more acres, or have amenities of regional significance. Community Parks generally see the most use from people who travel to them, rather than those who live near them, although used by all. These parks are where you will find the larger ball fields, the amphitheater, and the swimming pool. The Community Parks in Grandview include:

- Country Park (15 Acres)
- Dykstra Park (28 Acres)
- Westside Park (8 Acres)

Neighborhood Parks: At 3+ acres, these parks are small to medium sized and normally attract the immediate neighborhood. Unlike the larger community parks, neighborhood parks do not offer a very extensive list of amenities. The Grandview Neighborhood Parks include:

- Eastside Park (3 Acres)
- Euclid Park (6.5 Acres)

Mini Parks: The smaller Mini Parks, or Pocket Parks, at around 1 acre or less include the smallest parks in the city. These small areas of green space are located throughout Grandview in neighborhoods and the downtown alike. Grandview's Mini Parks include:

- Stokely Square (0.25 Acres)
- Vista Grande Park (1 Acre)
- Water Tower Park (0.5 Acres)

Walkways/Pathways: Grandview is the location for two key connections to the Lower Valley Pathway which connects the communities of Sunnyside, Grandview, and Prosser. The West Entrance and East Entrance/Palacios Parkway provide two point of access to the trail system. Each site contains ample areas for parking, along with additional amenities such as green space, picnic tables, and a gazebo.

Parks in Grandview:

The following pages provide a detailed inventory and history for each individual park in Grandview. The complex histories of each park are documented, which include upgrades and new construction completed as of the summer of 2014. Also included is a list of future needs for each park, which will be discussed in greater detail in [Section 4 – Demand and Needs Analysis](#).

Country Park – 15 Acres

The Country Park Events Center is a 15-acre complex on the very northwest corner of Grandview's city limits. The multi-use site has excellent access from I-82 and Wine Country Road. The Washington State National Guard Armory sits adjacent to the park on 10 acres. In 2012, the 10,000 square foot Grandview Community Center was constructed on site. The community center, which can be rented for private events, includes a small gym, dining area, commercial kitchen, game room, office area, small meeting room, billiards room and storage. The park portion of the Country Park Events Center Complex includes an outdoor amphitheater/stage, the Ralph Scott Memorial ball-fields (3 total fields/lighted), the Beavan Community Building with outdoor picnic area, the Volunteer Fire Department Building, RV dump station, and the Seattle Seahawks Play 60 Playground. The facility is also the potential site for the proposed R.E. Powell Museum building to be constructed directly behind the community center.

The Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo, leases approximately 3.62 acres from the City to house the horse arena, sales exhibit area, livestock office, and an array of livestock buildings. Besides the annual Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo event, the site



plays host to annual events such as the Easter Egg Hunt, Cub Scout Day Camp, Employee Picnics, Family Fall Festival, Library Event, Circus, Cal Ripken Baseball Leagues, Movies in the Park, Sports Camps, Motorcycle Rallies, RV Rallies, etc. A parking lot to serve the site is located at the east end of the facility.

Future Needs:

- New museum facility
- Outdoor courtyard on west end of existing dining area.
- Storage for Community Center
- Lighting along asphalt pathways
- Additional asphalt pathways to connect to amenities
- Bleachers for Ralph Scott Memorial Fields
- Additional Bleacher upgrades for horse arena
- Overlay of main parking area
- Lift to change out lights in gymnasium at community center
- Electrical upgrades at vendor area of Beavan Community Building

- Repairs to roof of the Volunteer Fire Department Building

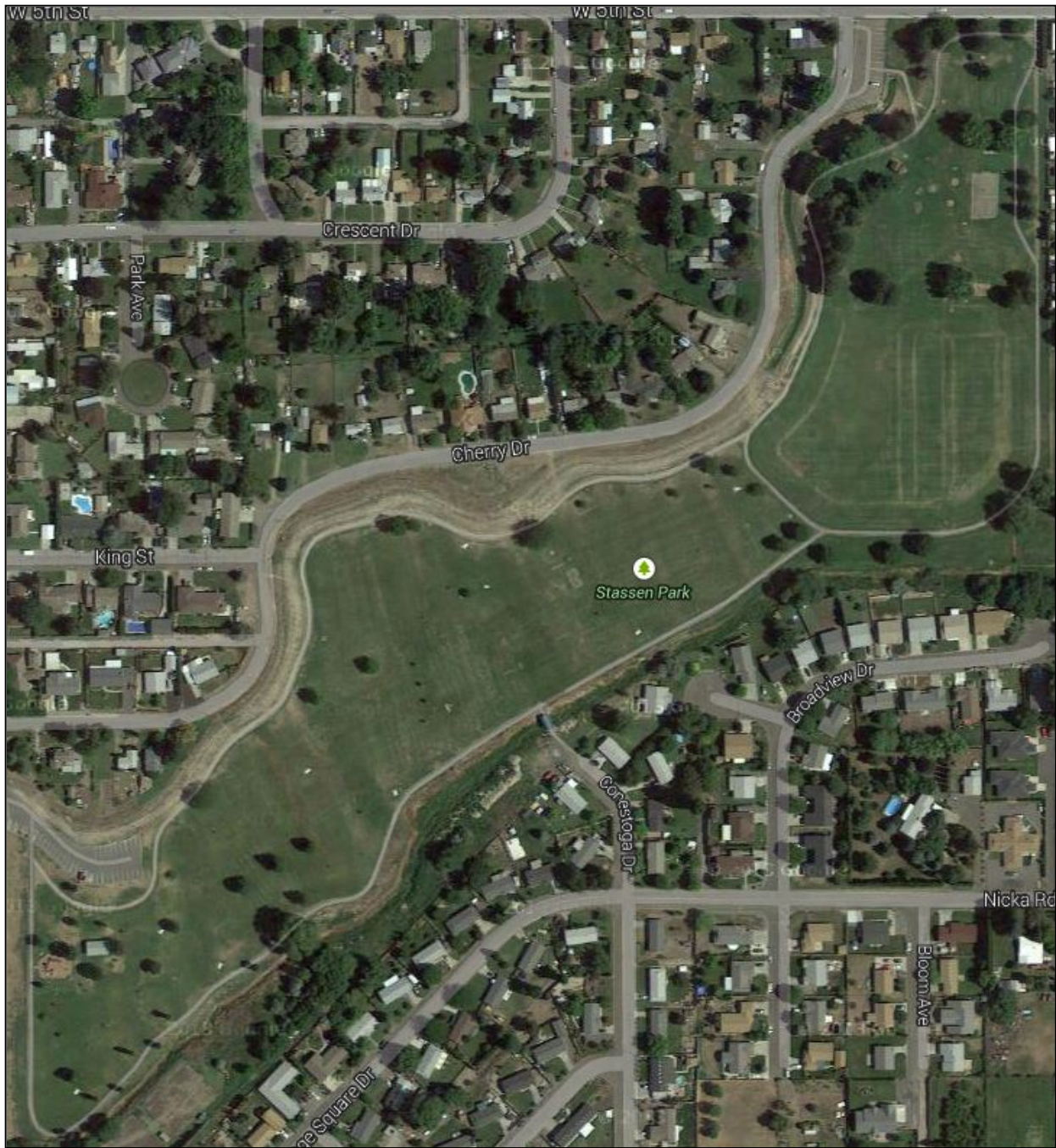


Dykstra Park – 28 Acres

Dykstra Park, formerly referred to as Stassen Park, is a 28 acre facility; making it the largest park within the City’s park system. The upper or most northern portion of the park is passive in orientation with horseshoe pits, park benches, flag pole, etc. The middle portion of the park features a basketball court, playground equipment, and open space for baseball and soccer. The southern portion of the park includes a 9-hole disc golf course, small soccer field, the Grandview Rotary Picnic Shelter, a playground unit, and fitness course structures. A 1.25-mile pathway circles the entire park, which is perhaps the most heavily used component within all Grandview parks. The park is dotted with an array of tree plantings that provide aesthetic value and shade for patrons. Two separate parking lots off both Stassen Way and Euclid Street serve this facility.

Future Needs:

- Picnic Shelter at north end of park
- Overlay of existing asphalt pathway
- Overlay of Stassen Way parking area
- Renovated or new restroom on north end of park
- Overlay of basketball court
- Upgrades or replacement of playground equipment
- Establishment of additional disc golf holes
- Development of additional youth soccer fields in center of park
- Additional installation of underground irrigation lines to replace hand-lines
- Additional park tree plantings
- Replacement of old fitness course

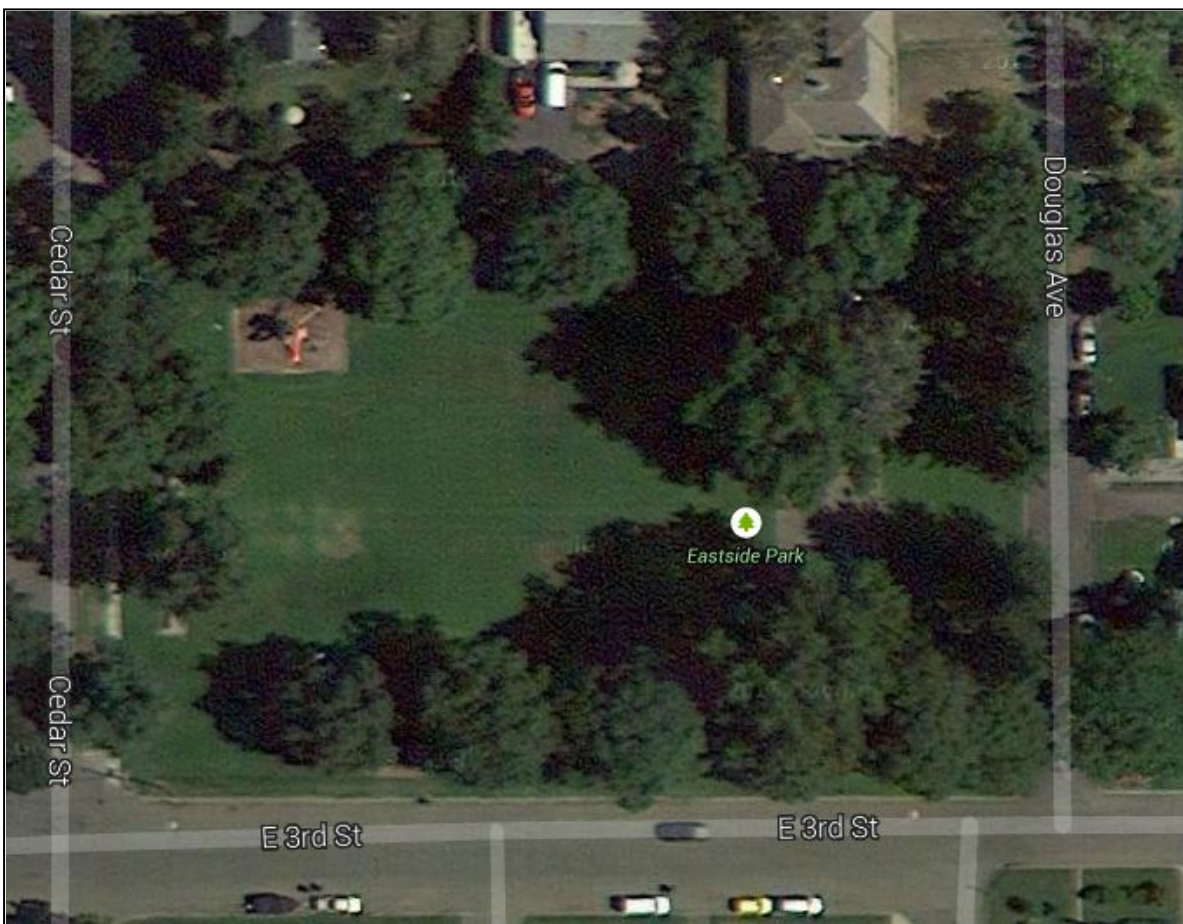


Eastside Park – 3 Acres

Eastside Park is a three-acre neighborhood park located between Cedar and Douglas Streets. The park offers amenities such as picnic tables, playground equipment, two half-court basketball courts, and a wealth of mature trees. The park also has a restroom facility that is in need of replacement or renovation.

Future Needs:

- New or renovated restroom facility
- Upgrades or replacement of some playground equipment
- Small picnic shelter area
- Replacement of older mature trees
- Overlay of basketball courts



Euclid Park – 6.5 Acres

Euclid Park is 6.5 acres in size and is located at Euclid and West 2nd Street adjacent to three of Grandview’s schools. As a result, these respective institutions make extensive use of the park, as well as an adult soccer league. This specific park is geared for organized athletics, including baseball, soccer and tennis. Park components include a large and small baseball diamond, a full sized soccer field, and four lighted tennis courts (which are in need of resurfacing) and a restroom facility. Currently, the school district has been mowing the facility through an inter-local agreement. There has been discussion between the school district and City about the sell of this specific property to the district. The school district is equipped and committed to the continual support of outdoor recreational programming for this particular site.

Future Needs:

- Renovation of bleachers to meet code
- New or renovated restroom facility
- Resurfacing of the tennis courts
- Light upgrades/repairs at the tennis courts
- Additional tree plantings on north and east sides of park



Palacios Parkway East Entrance – 3 Acres

Over the past 10 years, the east entrance to Grandview has seen a flurry of development. Amenities include: a pedestrian pathway, two decorative archways, a community rose garden with gazebo, restroom unit, and grass area with an array of trees. Two Eagles Scouts spent quality hours in re-establishing the presence of Legion Park which is located within the confines of the east entrance. The project included a flag pole, a beautiful sign, and a Mother’s Star monument. A parking area is available for patrons just east of the rose garden.

Future Needs:

- Additional tree plantings
- Fencing buffer between parkway and canal
- Cover for existing bridge
- Signalization to get patrons across I-82/WCR intersection
- Archway on west side of rose garden
- Additional park benches
- Paving of parking area closest to rose garden



Stokely Square – 0.25 Acres

Stokely Square is a 0.25-acre park that hosts downtown functions and events. This site is located off West 2nd Street within the downtown corridor. The park includes a fountain, gazebo, memorial tile, benches, trees and a grassy area. Annual events such as Cocoa and Carols and the 4th of July ceremony are held at this park annually.

Future Needs:

- Repairs to memorial tile

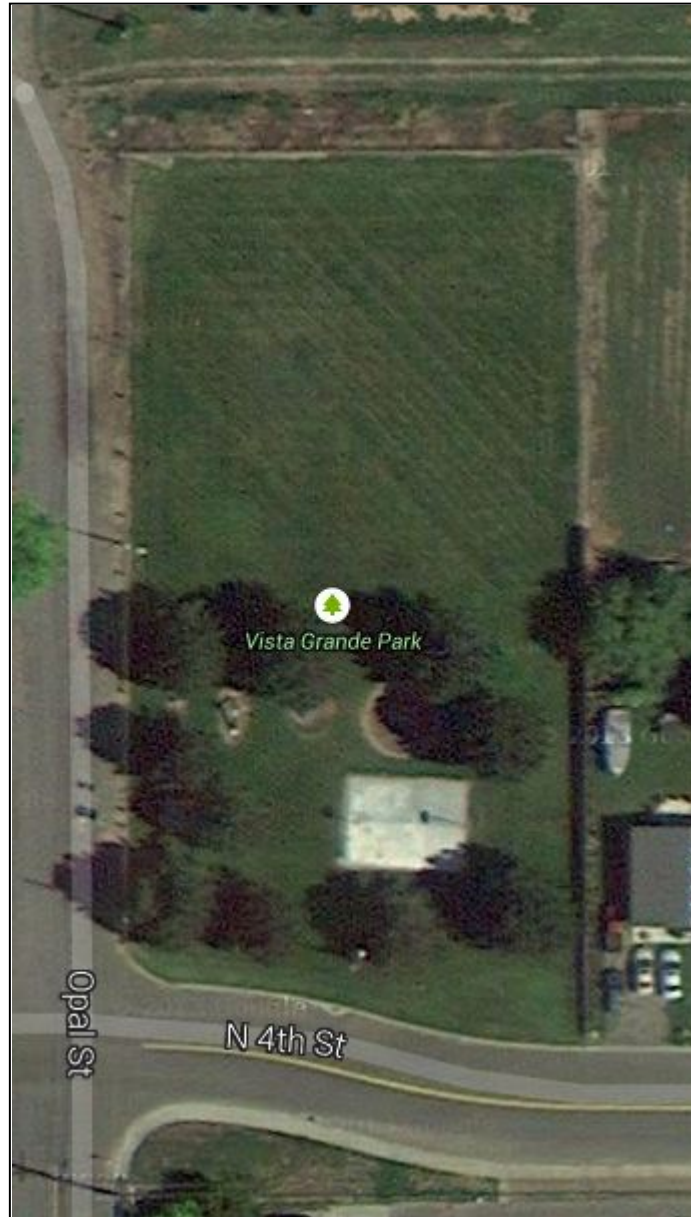


Vista Grande Park – 1 Acre

Vista Grande Park is one acre in size and serves the north neighborhood of town. The location of this neighborhood park is at Opal and North Fourth Street. This facility is the only park north of Wine Country Road within the City of Grandview Parks system. Park facilities include a hard court basketball area, small baseball field, an array of playground equipment, a picnic area and benches. A dozen Austrian pine trees grace the front end of this site.

Future Needs:

- Playground equipment updates
- Small soccer goal
- Paved parking along Opal St.
- Restroom



Water Tower Park – 0.5 Acres

Tower Park is a small ½ acre facility located on Velma Street within the south central neighborhood of Grandview. The ½ court basketball court is a popular amenity for young people. The park hosts a small playground structure, swing set, merry-go-round and picnic table. One of the City’s water tower structures is located at this park, hence the name Tower Park.

Future Needs:

- Playground equipment updates
- Basketball court asphalt overaly



West Entrance – 4.5 Acres

The west entrance to Grandview is another popular venue for pedestrians who enjoy walking and jogging on the extended asphalt pathway. Several mature trees line the pathway out to the I-82 overpass. A Park-and-Ride area is available to residents at the most southern end of the parkway.

Future Needs:

- Additional park benches
- Water fountain
- Installation of restroom

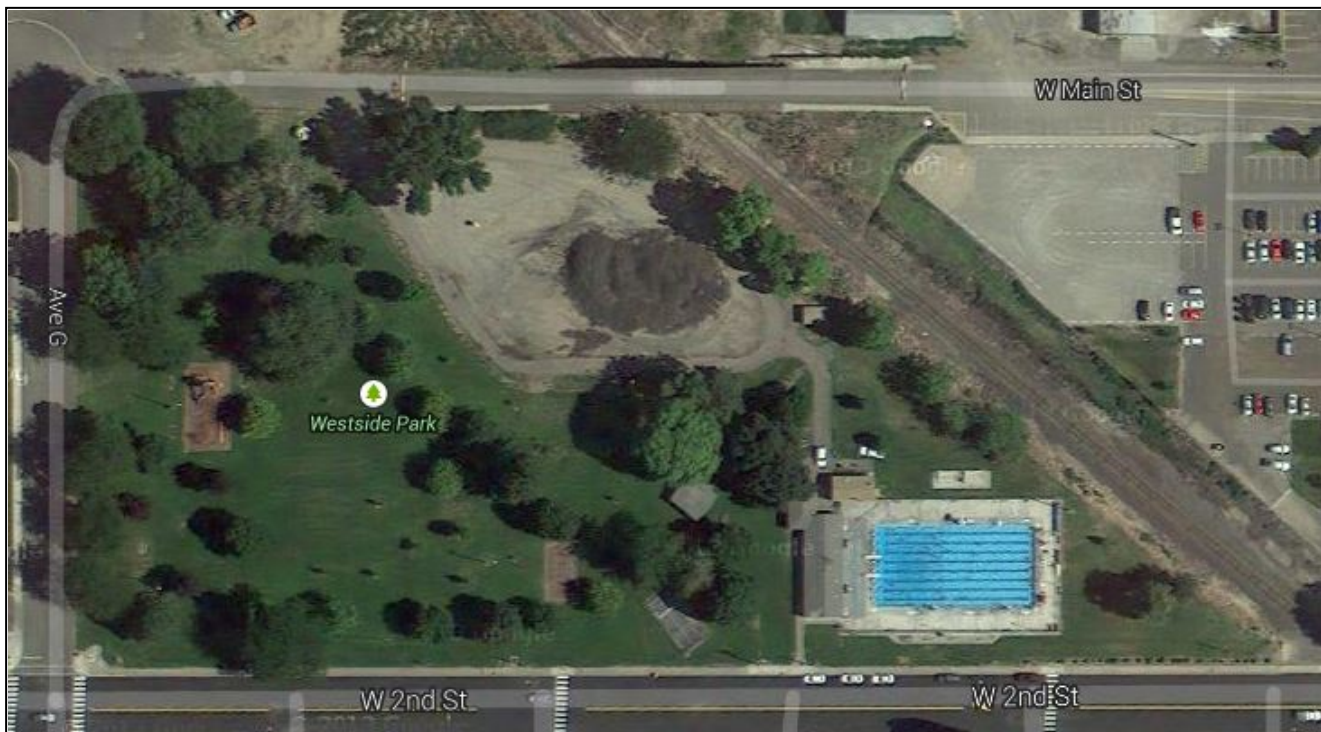


Westside Park – 8 Acres

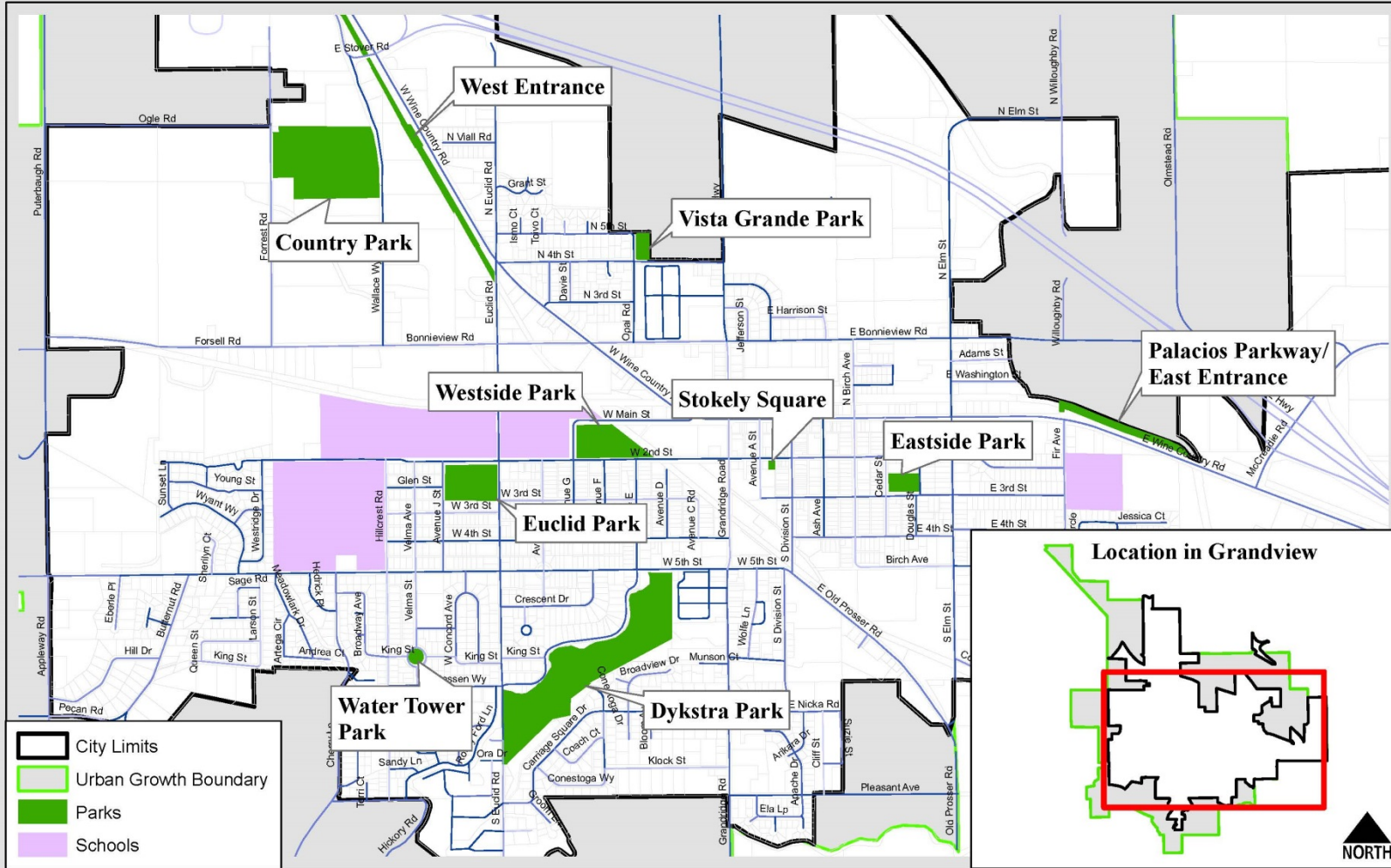
Westside Park is an 8-acre park offering a wide variety of leisure opportunities, including the 8 lane 40 yard seasonal Grandview Municipal Pool, which was established in 1955. The swimming pool is outdated and is in dire need of replacement or extensive renovation. Other park amenities include swing sets, picnic shelter, playground structure, horseshoe pits, open area and a variety of mature trees. A restroom facility was recently established at the north portion of this site. Patrons enjoy picnicking at this facility, which hosts an abundance of family gatherings. Directly east of the railroad track lies the Grandview Campus of Yakima Valley Community College. This park could be incorporated into the program and facility expansion of Yakima Valley Community College.

Future Needs:

- Replacement or renovation of municipal swimming pool facility
- New picnic shelter
- Paving of old rose garden area for parking
- Renovations to store unit and restroom at old parks office
- Bench replacement around swimming pool
- Bleacher renovations to meet code
- Landscaping at new retaining wall at north side of park
- Upgrades/Replacement of Playground Equipment



City of Grandview Parks



Public School Sites and Facilities

The Grandview Parks and Recreation Department and the Grandview School District have a formal agreement to share use of each other's facilities. The city is dependent upon the School District's facilities to run its recreation programs. In turn, the School District depends on city tennis courts, baseball fields, and soccer fields at Euclid Park to provide recreational opportunities for its students.

As population growth continues to occur in Grandview, demand for these facilities will increase and, most likely, exacerbate scheduling difficulties. These changes will make it increasingly important for the City and School District to continue to work cooperatively to utilize the existing facilities for the benefit of the Grandview community. The following list shows gym facilities in Grandview:

- Grandview Community Center
- Grandview High School
- Compass High School
- Grandview Middle School
- A.H. Smith Elementary School
- Harriet Thompson Elementary
- Annual Easter Egg Hunt
- Annual Fall Festival Carnival
- Annual Arbor Day Celebration
- Annual Diaper Derby
- Youth Swim Lessons
- Holiday Hoop Camp
- Soccer Skills Camp
- Grandparents Day/Tree Planting

School

- Clarence McClure Elementary School
- National Guard Armory
- Nazarene Church
- Seventh Day Adventist Church

Recreation Programs

The City of Grandview's Parks and Recreation Department has developed an extensive year-round program involving all the various age groups within the community. The loss of the Deputy Director of Recreation in 2013 has made the vast amount of programs available to residents difficult to manage. A renewed emphasis on establishment of partnerships, recruiting of additional volunteers, and the utilization of a college intern, have enabled a majority of Grandview's recreation programs to exist until the Deputy Director of Recreation position can be reinstated. These specific programs can be found on the next two pages.

Youth Programs:

- Tumbling Camp
- Youth Drop-In Program
- Frenzy Friday After School Program
- Swim Parties
- Open Swim
- Family Swim
- Parent/Tot Swim
- Movies in the Park

- Family Fun Nights @ Community Center
- Annual Go Green Olympics
- Annual Frees and Threes Basketball Shooting Competition
- Annual Mother-Son Dance
- Indoor Walking Program
- Disc Golf
- Playgrounds

Adult Programs:

- Zumba Toning Class
- Zumba Exercise Class
- Zumba Light Class
- Beginning/Low-Impact Zumba Class
- Ballroom Dance Class
- Parent/Tot Swim
- Art Classes
- Movies in the Park
- Family Fun Nights @ Community Center
- Disc Golf
- Adult Swim Lessons
- Indoor Walking Program
- Family Swim
- Open Swim
- Annual Mother-Son Dance
- Beautification Home-of-the-Month Program
- Arbor Day Celebration
- Annual Go Green Olympics
- Annual Diaper Derby (Parents)



Senior Citizen Programs:

- Noon Meal Program/Collaboration
- Monday Madness Pinochle Night
- Foot Clinic
- Hub of Luck Program
- Thursday Bingo
- Movies in the Park
- Family Fun Nights @ Community Center
- Grandparents Day/Tree Planting
- Annual Parade of Hearts Dance
- Annual Valentine Party
- Annual St. Patrick's Day Party
- Annual Go Green Olympics
- Annual Easter Hat Parade Party
- Annual Fiddler's Event
- Annual Mother's Day Party
- Annual Father's Day Party
- Annual 4th of July Party
- Floats and Floats Extravaganza
- Annual Halloween Party
- Annual Christmas Luncheon/Party
- Dancing
- Social Network Quarterly Events
- Billiards
- Indoor Walking
- Zumba Light Class

Adaptive Programs (Disabled)

- Gym Sessions
- Aquatics
- Annual Halloween Breakfast



Section 3 – Goals, Objectives and Policies

The Goals, Objectives and Policies set forth in this section are a blend of goals and objectives carried forward from preceding plans with review, comment, additions and deletions recommended by staff. They are the underpinnings of the Comprehensive Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan and will allow measurable progress in the development and implementation of the plan.

This plan views goals as both the starting and the finishing point – the future vision of parks and recreation in Grandview that needs to be planned for and built today. To be effective, goals must be realistically achievable. Typically, goals are long-range and remain unchanged throughout the active life of the comprehensive plan. They may, however, evolve and change over time in response to altered circumstances.

Objectives and are the tools for implementing the broader goals. They comprise specific measurable tasks to be completed, and represent points at which operations are directed. Typically a goal is broken down into a number of objectives that are sequential in nature. Policies are the underlying building blocks – or the directions that specify how an objective is to be met. Policies provide the details and guidance for administrators and ensure consistent action throughout the department and the community.



Goal 1: To continue to be responsive to direction received from the Mayor and City Council concerning parks, open space and recreation programs.

Objective 1.1: To follow the *Strategic Plan 2006→2011→2021* established by the Mayor and City Council as it relates to swimming pool / aquatics facility direction, community center utilization, and parks restroom replacement.

Policy 1.1.1: Because of the popularity of swimming across all age-groups in Grandview, actively pursue funding for the renovation or development of a new swimming pool..

Policy 1.1.2: Continue to assess community support for a new or renovated swimming pool.

Policy 1.1.3: Replace outdated restrooms, and/or establish new restrooms within the park and trail system to meet demand.

Policy 1.1.4: Continue to meet the leisure time needs of all age groups and populations of the community with a diverse spectrum of recreational program offerings.

Goal 2: To maintain and expand existing parks and recreation facilities at a level of service that meets the public's desire for safe, clean, and enjoyable parks and facilities.

Objective 2.1: Adequately fund the annual maintenance and operation requirements of park services.

Policy 2.1.1: Provide appropriate resources to maintain past and future investments in park infrastructure at an appropriate level of service.

Policy 2.1.2: Explore opportunities for leveraging local money for park maintenance and renovation through both public and private grant funding.

Objective 2.2: Utilize and expand existing parks and recreation facilities to a level of service that maximizes their benefit to the Grandview Community.

Policy 2.2.1: Promote and develop greater usage of the Country Park Amphitheater as it relates to offering a diversified spectrum of wholesome entertainment and public events for area citizens.

Policy 2.2.2: Seek opportunities to relocate the R.E. Powell Museum, including additional storage and display space.

Policy 2.2.3: Continue to pursue the expansion and upgrade of playground equipment within the park system.

Policy 2.2.4: Create a *Gift Catalog* outlining gifting opportunities than can enhance park amenities and the overall community ownership of city parks.

Goal 3: To promote further coordination, cooperation, and unity between agencies, organizations and entities who provide recreational facilities and programs for public participation and enjoyment.

Objective 3.1: Work closely with the Grandview School District to maintain current cooperation and continue to seek increased opportunities for community utilization of Grandview School District facilities.

Policy 3.1.1: To continue to increase the availability of gymnasium space for the community; with an emphasis on providing gym space to those individuals, organizations, and agencies that provide service to Grandview area youth.

Policy 3.1.2: Work closely with the Grandview School District to offer programs that will deter students from gang involvement and other destructive activities.

Objective 3.2: Work closely with community youth organizations to strengthen the quality of life for young people in the community.

Policy 3.2.1: To develop and maintain a bilingual youth program resource guide to help inform parents of positive leisure opportunities for their families.

Policy 3.2.2: Lend support in terms of facility usage, public relations, and other resources to strengthen youth programs.

Objective 3.3: Encourage the development of additional privately owned parks, recreation and open space amenities in the City of Grandview.

Policy 3.3.1: Promote the development of a privately owned golf course within the City of Grandview.

Objective 3.4: Continue to pursue partnerships with the Yakima Valley Community College Grandview campus for the benefit of the Grandview community.

Policy 3.4.1: Pursue a joint usage agreement between the Yakima Valley Community College Grandview campus and the City of Grandview for shared and expanded use of facilities.

Goal 4: To develop trails and open space areas that meet the current and future demands and needs of both individual city neighborhoods and the community at large.

Objective 4.1: Pursue the conversion of existing irrigation easements into new walking, running and biking trails for recreational purposes and for use as transportation links to and from public facilities.

Policy 4.1.1: Develop and implement a plan that identifies which easements would be most beneficial to the Grandview community and the transportation network.

Policy 4.1.2: Work closely with the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District to diversify the uses of their irrigation easements for the benefit of the Grandview community.

Policy 4.1.3: Work with the City of Grandview Public Works Department, the Mayor and City Council to get the irrigation easement trails project on the city's six-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Policy 4.1.4: Explore opportunities for public and private grant funding, including Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds, in the development of a city-wide irrigation easement trails network.

Objective 4.2: Explore cost effective methods to develop nature trails and access to the Yakima River while maintaining the biological integrity of sensitive shoreline areas.

Goal 5: Continue to promote the beauty and attractiveness of the Grandview community through the efforts of volunteers and volunteer programs.

Objective 5.1: Continue volunteer beautification programs and work towards city-wide implementation of other beautification programs.

Policy 5.1.1: Maintain emphasis on programs such as the Tree City USA program, the Adopt-A-Park program and the Neighborhood Home of the Month program.

Goal 6: Continue to offer, promote, and expand a comprehensive program of leisure opportunities to reflect the needs and diversity of our ever-changing community.

Objective 6.1: Engage our citizens in volunteer opportunities to enhance recreational programming.

Policy 6.1.1: Develop a catalog that outlines volunteer opportunities that are available within the Parks and Recreation Department.

Policy 6.1.2: Continue to find meaningful and creative ways to acknowledge the value and worth of program volunteers.

Objective 6.2: Ensure that current and future recreational programming is reflective and sensitive to the rich diversity of the Grandview community.

Policy 6.2.1: Include adequate staffing levels as part of the yearly budgeting process to reinstate the Deputy Recreation Director position.

Policy 6.2.2: Continue ongoing program evaluation and seek community feedback to determine leisure needs.

Policy 6.2.3: Based on recent feedback from community surveys, continue to place emphasis on swimming, soccer, basketball, and trails .

Objective 6.3: Provide community outreach and program awareness for senior citizens to engage in wholesome, healthy and creative activities at the Community Center.

Policy 6.3.1: Develop and implement a plan to help increase participation levels at the Community Center.

Growth Management Act

Included below are the 13 Growth Management Act (GMA) Planning Goals, as found in RCW 36.70A.020. The only GMA goal specific to Parks and Recreation is Goal 9. However, the establishment and continuation of existing park land is complementary to several goals.

- (1) Urban growth. Encourage development in urban areas where adequate public facilities and services exist or can be provided in an efficient manner.
- (2) Reduce sprawl. Reduce the inappropriate conversion of undeveloped land into sprawling, low-density development.
- (3) Transportation. Encourage efficient multimodal transportation systems that are based on regional priorities and coordinated with county and city comprehensive plans.
- (4) Housing. Encourage the availability of affordable housing to all economic segments

of the population of this state, promote a variety of residential densities and housing types, and encourage preservation of existing housing stock.

- (5) Economic development. Encourage economic development throughout the state that is consistent with adopted comprehensive plans, promote economic opportunity for all citizens of this state, especially for unemployed and for disadvantaged persons, promote the retention and expansion of existing businesses and recruitment of new businesses, recognize regional differences impacting economic development opportunities, and encourage growth in areas experiencing insufficient economic growth, all within the capacities of the state's natural resources, public services, and public facilities.
- (6) Property rights. Private property shall not be taken for public use without just compensation having been made. The property rights of landowners shall be protected from arbitrary and discriminatory actions.
- (7) Permits. Applications for both state and local government permits should be processed in a timely and fair manner to ensure predictability.
- (8) Natural resource industries. Maintain and enhance natural resource-based industries, including productive timber, agricultural, and fisheries industries. Encourage the conservation of productive forest lands and productive agricultural lands, and discourage incompatible uses.
- (9) Open space and recreation. Retain open space, enhance recreational opportunities, conserve fish and wildlife habitat, increase access to natural resource lands and water, and develop parks and recreation facilities.
- (10) Environment. Protect the environment and enhance the state's high quality of life, including air and water quality, and the availability of water.
- (11) Citizen participation and coordination. Encourage the involvement of citizens in the planning process and ensure coordination between communities and jurisdictions to reconcile conflicts.
- (12) Public facilities and services. Ensure that those public facilities and services necessary to support development shall be adequate to serve the development at the time the development is available for occupancy and use without decreasing current service levels below locally established minimum standards.
- (13) Historic preservation. Identify and encourage the preservation of lands, sites, and structures, that have historical or archaeological significance.

Section 4 – Demand and Need Analysis

Assessing the demand for park and recreational facilities in Grandview is based on the results from the community survey, priorities set by the Parks and Recreation Department, and comments received from the Mayor, and City Council. While the type of park facilities the community demands vary greatly depending on the demographic group surveyed, there are some common needs among the groups. The Parks and Recreation Department was invaluable to the planning process by successfully setting priorities that take every groups needs into account.

Community Survey Results

The Community Survey, the complete details of which can be found in [Section 7](#), is instrumental to the future success of this comprehensive plan update. Some key results from the 303 participants who took the survey are listed below and are the baseline for determining the Demand and Need Analysis as we plan for the future of parks in Grandview.

Most used facilities:

The top facilities indicated in the survey include Playgrounds, Swimming Pools, Basketball Courts and Pathways. Figure 4.1 shows all responses of what facilities are most used.

What park and recreation Facilities do you and your family use the most?

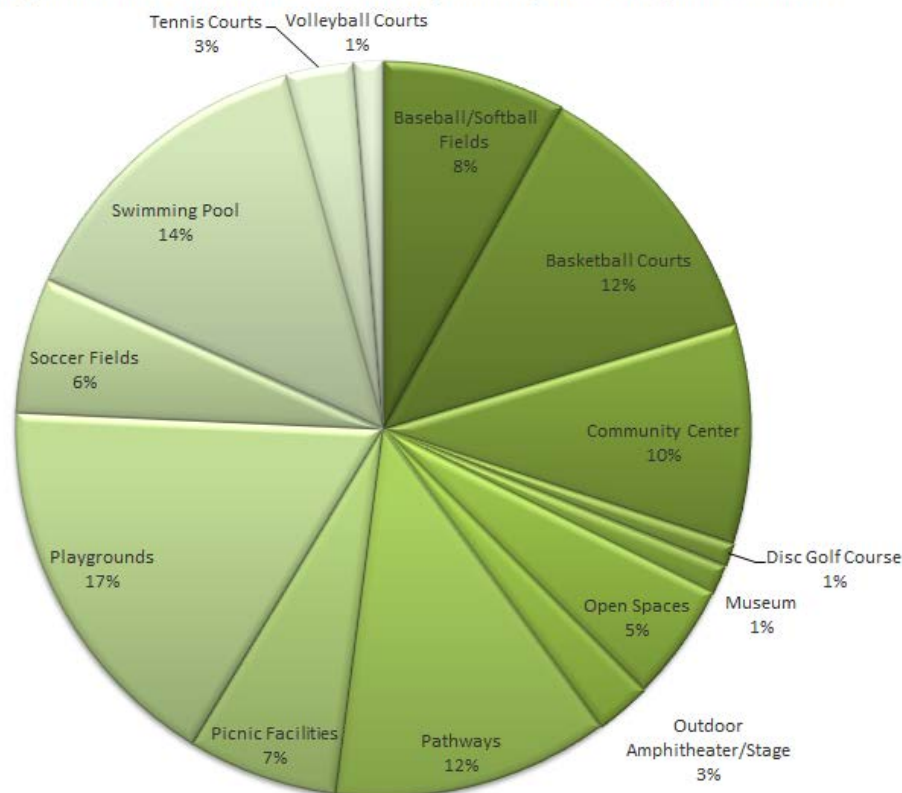


Figure 4.1
City of Grandview Comprehensive Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan

In examining the most popular park amenities along with the most used parks, it is easy to see the correlation in park popularity with park amenities:

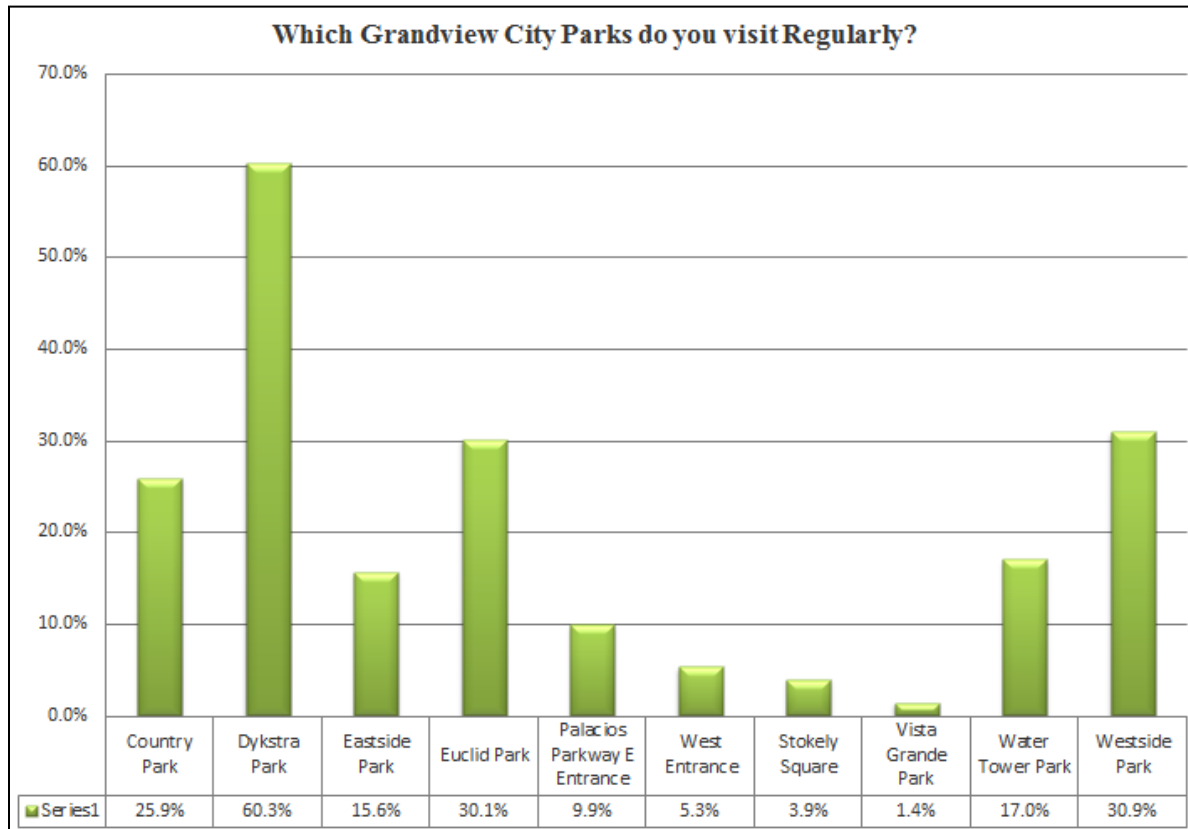


Figure 4.2

When comparing Figures 4.1 and 4.2, the parks with the most amenities are the most used. This relationship between amenities and park-usage is important for deciding where and what new facilities will be built in the future, as well as ensuring that appropriate maintenance protocols are in place for existing facilities.

Most wanted facilities:

In addition to asking what facilities are most-used by Grandview residents, we also asked what facilities are most-wanted in the community. All facilities and amenities from the “most uses” question were included, along with a variety of other park amenities such as restrooms, trees, parking, benches, etc. Below, Figure 4.3 shows all responses showing what amenities citizens want to see more of in their parks.

What Parks and Recreation amenities would you like to see more of?

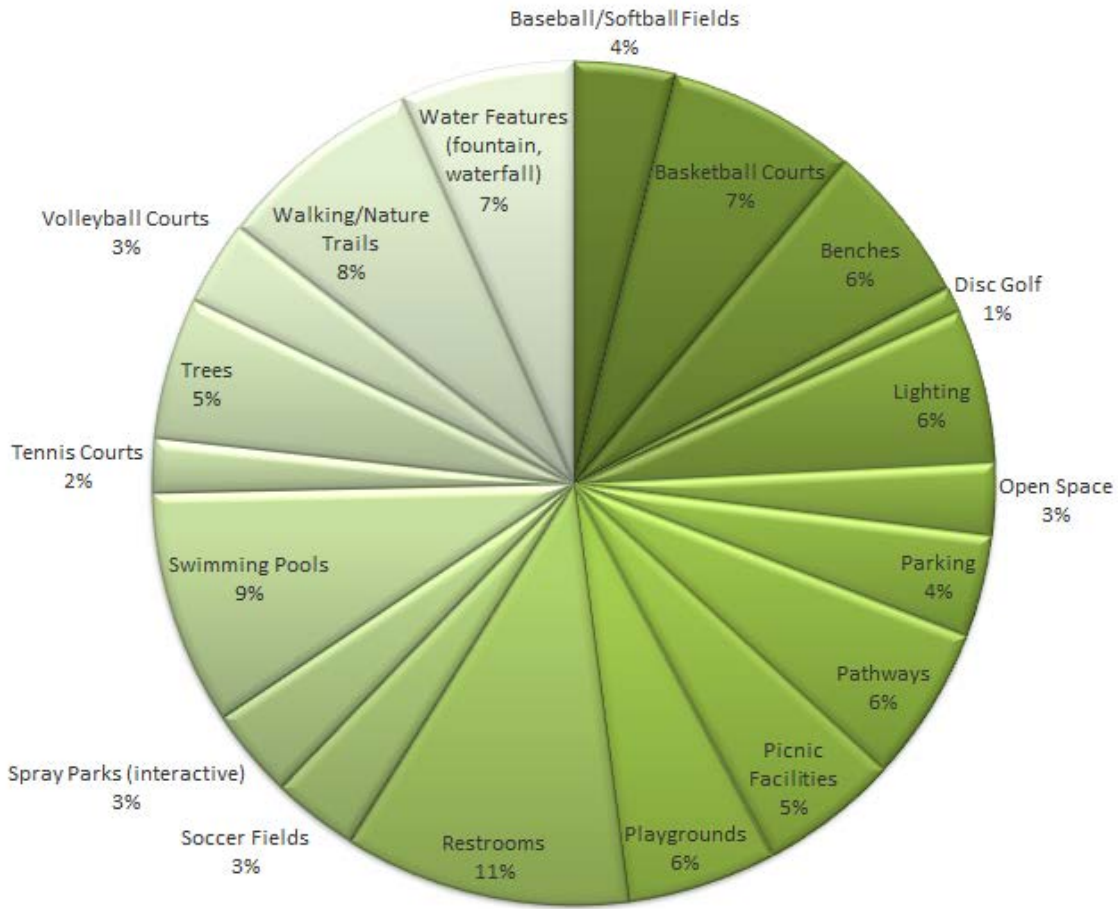


Figure 4.3

Similar to the results shown in Figure 4.1, park users want to see more of the facilities they use the most – swimming pools, basketball courts, playgrounds, and pathways. Restrooms, however, were the number one most-wanted amenity that citizens want to see more of.

Park Type:

To further complement the above findings, when asked what kind of new parks should be developed (see Figure 4.4), the number one response was Community Parks (37%) and followed by Neighborhood Parks (25%). Clearly, the larger Community (20+ acres) and medium-size Neighborhood (3+ acres) are the favorites, most likely because a larger number of desired park amenities can be placed there. Coming in 3rd place at 18% are new areas for Greenways and Pathways, which coincides with the popularity of walking/biking trails in the area.

What kind of new parks should be developed?

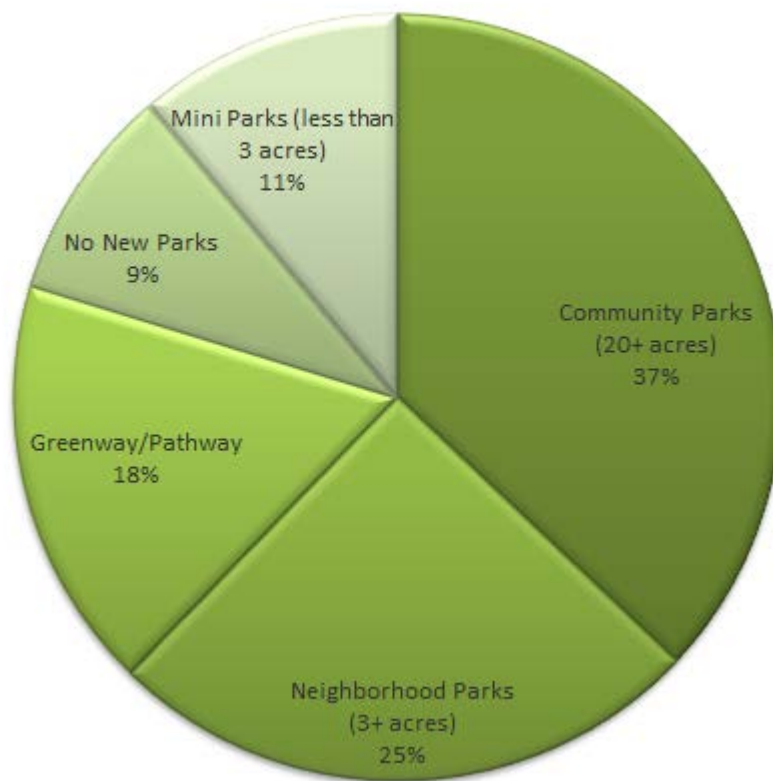


Figure 4.4

Section 5 – Capital Improvement Program

Table 5.1. City of Grandview Capital Improvement Program 2015-2020

Project Name	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Potential Funding Source(s)
	Estimated cost per year of project implementation						
Swim Pool Development or Renovation	\$25k	\$25k	\$2-5m				City, RCO, Bond
New Restrooms or Replacement	\$34k	\$36k					City
Playground Equipment Upgrades			\$10k	\$15k	\$20k	\$25k	City, Private, Service Orgs.
Museum Facility	\$25k	\$750k					City, Private, State Heritage
Soccer Field Goal Posts		\$3k	\$3k				City, Private, Service Orgs.
Bike/Pedestrian Path Development				150k	150k	150k	RCO, TAP, City
Country Park Chip Seal /Parking Lot	\$23k						City
Benches for Pool at Westside Park	\$6k						City
Under Water Light Replacement @ Westside Pool	\$3k						City
Courtyard	\$3k	\$7k					City, American Legion, Home Depot

CDBG – Community Development Block Grant
RCO – Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office
TAP – Transportation Alternatives Program

The Capital Improvement Program presented above was prepared in response to the community survey and comments received from the Parks and Recreation Department, the Mayor, and City Council. The highest priorities were given to those existing facilities which are not adequate or which have not yet been fully developed, which is in-line with Goal 2: “To maintain and expand existing parks and recreation facilities at a level of service that meets the public’s desire for safe, clean, and enjoyable parks and facilities.” The objectives of the Capital Improvement Program have been to identify and substantiate the City’s recreational service needs and to establish a program to meet those needs.

There are multiple funding options available to the City of Grandview for improvements or expansions to existing park facilities. These various options include federal, state, and local funding sources.

Federal Funding

Grandview has access to two primary federal funding sources for park system enhancements. The first is the competitive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Washington State CDBG Program is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The purpose of the state CDBG Program is to improve and maintain the economic and physical environment of eligible, non-entitlement cities and counties in order to enhance the quality of life for low and moderate income (LMI) residents. LMI is defined as 80% of county median income. The renovation and new construction at the Grandview Community Center was funded through a successful CDBG grant.

The second federal funding source available to Grandview can be used only for park and recreation facilities that have surface transportation as their primary objective. The Federal Transportation Acts have provided a 10 percent set-aside from the Surface Transportation Program (STP), known as the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). The TAP program was created to invest in a more balanced, multi-modal approach to mobility and accessibility. The purpose of the TAP is to fund projects that allow communities to strengthen the local economy, improve the quality of life, and enhance the travel experience for people traveling by all modes. Projects receiving enhancement funds must directly relate to surface transportation and there is no local match required for receiving enhancement funds. In 2013, Grandview received \$275,000 in TAP funding which will be used to extend sidewalk on Forsell Road.

State Funding

The primary state funding source for Grandview is the State of Washington’s Recreation

and Conservation Office (RCO). RCO administers several grant programs for recreation and habitat conservation purposes. To be considered for funding assistance, most grant programs require that the proposed project will be operated and maintained in perpetuity for the purposes for which funding is sought. Most grant programs also require that sponsors complete a systematic planning process prior to seeking RCO funding (this plan).

Grants are awarded by the Committee based on a public, competitive process which weighs the merits of proposed projects against established program criteria. RCO grants are an important funding source for Grandview and have helped finance projects in the past: Development of Dykstra Park in the 1970's, the 1983 Renovation of Grandview Swimming Pool at Westside Park, and the 1990's installation of lighting, restrooms and amphitheater stage at Country Park.

Local Funding

The 2014 Parks and Recreation Department budget was approximately \$739,772. This amount includes funds for maintaining and operating park facilities (parks and greenways, swimming pool, museum, community center), administering recreation programs, and staff salaries and benefits.

The Grandview Parks and Recreation Service Area was established in 1999 with hopes of constructing and maintaining a family aquatics center. Two separate bond issues were brought before the voters within the service area for the aquatics center. Both bond issues were soundly defeated, giving the clear direction that the community will not support a destination aquatics center. The service area includes all of the Grandview School District within Yakima County. The Grandview Parks and Recreation Service Area Board has not been active since late 2005.

The service area created in the Grandview community is different from Metropolitan Park Districts (MPD) created in other communities. The MPD property tax levy is less subject to prorationing and MPDs have a higher maximum levy rate than service areas. However, Parks and Recreation Service Areas have slightly more generous debt limits than MPDs, having the ability to levy debt in an amount equal to 3/8 percent of assessed valuation compared to 1/4 percent for MPDs.

One advantage of MPDs is that the MPD levy is voted on by the local legislative body and is permanent. Parks and Recreation Service Area levies are subject to a vote of the people at least every six years and setting the levy requires a 60 percent majority with a 40 percent voter turnout. Needing a supermajority for bond measures to pass has been difficult for Grandview to attain. Grandview failed to receive a supermajority when the two pool facility bonds were proposed in 2000 and 2005.

Despite difficulty in passing park improvement bonds, the creation of a parks and

recreation service area greatly enhances Grandview’s ability to finance major capital improvement projects for the park system. Grandview now has the bonding capacity of the entire community rather than just the residents who live within the city limits.

Other sources of funding will be explored, depending upon eligibility. The City of Grandview has a strong tradition of local support which has enabled the City to provide matching funds for grants. Matching funds in the past have included the use of local funds, bonds, and private donations of labor and materials.

Action Strategy

The following action strategies have been developed to accomplish the priorities identified in the capital improvement program. These strategies are described below.

Restroom Renovation and Replacement:

There is a continuous need for improving and upgrading various components of all park facilities within the system. In many cases, park restroom facilities are very old, in need of continuous repair, and do not meet ADA guidelines. All of the restrooms within the Grandview park system have been degraded due to vandalism. The restrooms at Eastside and Euclid Park were constructed over 40 years ago and renovations are also needed at Westside and Dykstra Parks. Vista Grande Park currently has no restroom facilities to meet the needs of park patrons.

The survey asked “What Parks and Recreation amenities would you like to see more of?” Of the 19 choices which ranged from baseball/softball fields to water features, restrooms ranked number one by capturing 11% of all responses.

As funds become available, the City fully intends to replace outdated restroom facilities with permanent, durable, units similar to what has been recently installed at Dykstra and Westside Parks. These units meet ADA requirements. Cost per unit, including installation, is under \$20,000 each. The decision of whether to replace or renovate specific restrooms will be made on a case by case basis and will factor in cost as well as ensuring the restrooms are compliant with the ADA.

Pool and Aquatic Center Development:

After the failure of both bond issues to construct a destination family aquatics center, it became evident that the community needed to pursue a scaled back and/or renovated swimming facility. When asked if constructing a new pool facility was a priority for Grandview, 61% indicated that as a high priority.

The current outdoor, seasonal municipal swimming pool facility at Westside Park was constructed in the mid 1950’s and was last renovated in 1983. Usage of the pool by children age six and under is extremely limited because the shallow end of the pool is

four feet four inches deep, considerably deeper than the shallow end of most pools. This depth affects both pre-school and beginner swim lessons and also eliminates smaller children from other aquatic programs such as open swims. A separate training pool, adjacent to the main pool tank, would greatly enhance pool facility usage by these age groups. The fact that the deep end faces the pool bath-house creates added safety concerns as youngsters enter the deck area surrounding the deepest water. In 2012, both a new ADA lift and easy stairs unit were obtained through a Yakama Legends Grant to help meet the access needs for people with disabilities.

Other areas of the pool facility such as the bath-house, office/supervision area, and parking area are in dire need of upgrades. Storage space and dressing room areas are currently too small to meet program demands. Maintenance staff is faced with making annual repairs to plumbing and restroom fixtures at the bath-house. Current facility design does not allow for optimum supervision of programs and events from the office area.

Public parking for the pool facility is extremely limited. Parking is limited to the parallel parking off West 2nd Street and within the underdeveloped gravel area which was once the community rose garden. Parked cars often overflow into the surrounding residential and business areas. This situation continues to pose safety concerns for the participants who need to cross the busy arterial to gain access to the pool facility.

The community survey demonstrated that a new or renovated pool facility would benefit the entire community. Swimming is an immensely popular activity for all demographic groups in the Grandview community and a new facility would enhance its popularity. A new ADA accessible facility would also be much safer and more accommodating to persons with disabilities. Swimming pool ranked second in the survey question “What Parks and Recreation amenities would you like to see more of?” with 9% of responses.

The estimated cost for a new or renovated pool facility depends on the options selected. A new pool or renovated facility is estimated to cost between \$2 to \$5 million. These figures do not include costs for maintenance and operation, which cost the City of Grandview \$76,000 in 2013. With 2013 pool revenue amounting to \$18,000; the operating deficit was \$58,000.

Despite the old and outdated pool facility, the City of Grandview continues to receive excellent annual health inspection marks from the Yakima Health District.

Parks and Recreation staff members will soon be meeting with a group of enthusiastic community members to rekindle the grassroots efforts and charge for an updated swimming pool facility.

Continued Development of Bike and Pedestrian Trails:

Existing trails in the Grandview community are heavily utilized. The walking path that was completed around Dykstra Park in 1983 and the newly completed Lower Valley Pathway that links the cities of Grandview, Sunnyside and Prosser are both heavily used by families within the surrounding communities. Several survey responses indicated the importance of a viable trail and pathway system.

The cost of building and maintaining trails can vary greatly. While gravel or natural trails can be much less expensive to construct, they require more maintenance expenditures over the lifetime of the trail. Because of the interest in both walking and biking across all demographic groups in Grandview, it is recommended that future trails have a paved or concrete surface rather than gravel. This will ensure that the trail is comfortable for walking and biking and will have increased use as compared to gravel trails. Gravel trails could be appropriate in nature areas.

The cost of constructing a 10-foot wide multi-use asphalt pathway varies due to a variety of factors, but is generally about \$50 - \$56 per foot – a one-mile trail would cost approximately \$264,000 - \$300,000. This number is what is currently being utilized by the Yakima Greenway in their “Fund-a-Foot” campaign which will connect the upper valley communities of Yakima and Naches. This cost estimate includes clearing, grubbing, grading, a granular sub-base, asphalt, seeding, mulching, other costs, including a contingency fund. This estimate does not include potential costs of right of way acquisition, bridges, or maintenance and operation

Action Strategy Integration

The Parks and Recreation Department strongly supports integration of all three of these capital improvements included in the action strategy (swimming pool, restrooms and trails). The City views these facilities as mutually complementing each other and having a greater benefit to the community when planned together rather than separately.

The benefits of a new or renovated swimming pool would be even greater if there was an integrated trail network in the city that made it easier for children and adults to gain access. Paved trails may be used by all members of the community for transportation purposes and getting to and from city parks, including the swimming pool. New restrooms could then be integrated by placing them along these new city trails that lead to the new swimming facility. Locating restrooms on trail routes in prominent locations may help reduce vandalism and also encourage greater use of the trails.

Section 6 – Public Involvement

Community Survey

The community survey (Appendix B) was the primary tool used to gather information from the citizens of Grandview. The two page survey was available during the month of April, 2014. Copies of the survey were provided at City Hall, the Community Center, during parent-teacher conferences at the high school and middle school, during community events, and to the local swim team and youth baseball program during registration. A total of 303 surveys were returned and scored. The survey results were tabulated in a powerpoint presentation which was given to the City Council (Appendices C and D).

The survey was provided in English and Spanish, and included questions related to Park Usage, Park and Equipment Condition, Future Planning, Demographics, and an additional space people could use to write in long-form responses. The scored survey results were largely positive; however, it also showed where Grandview Parks and Recreation can improve. The results of each survey were tallied and analyzed. Information gathered from these surveys was used to help prioritize facility needs, identify problem areas, and review current recreation programs.

Survey Results

Do you live in the Grandview city limits?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	73.5%	216
No	26.5%	78
<i>answered question</i>		294
<i>skipped question</i>		9
How long have you lived in Grandview?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Less than one year	2.5%	7
1-3 years	3.2%	9
4-8 years	11.9%	33
9-13 years	22.0%	61
14-18 years	15.9%	44
More than 18 years	44.4%	123
<i>answered question</i>		277
<i>skipped question</i>		26

Which Grandview City Parks do you visit regularly? Please check all that apply.		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Country Park	25.9%	73
Dykstra Park	60.3%	170
Eastside Park	15.6%	44
Euclid Park	30.1%	85
Palacios Parkway E Entrance	9.9%	28
Palacios Parkway W Entrance	5.3%	15
Stokely Square	3.9%	11
Vista Grande Park	1.4%	4
Water Tower Park	17.0%	48
Westside Park	30.9%	87
<i>answered question</i>		282
<i>skipped question</i>		21
What park and recreation facilities do you and your family use the most? Please check all that apply.		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Baseball/Softball Fields	21.3%	62
Basketball Courts	32.6%	95
Community Center	25.4%	74
Disc Golf Course	2.7%	8
Museum	3.4%	10
Open Spaces	13.7%	40
Outdoor Amphitheater/Stage	6.5%	19
Pathways	32.0%	93
Picnic Facilities	17.5%	51
Playgrounds	45.0%	131
Soccer Fields	15.8%	46
Swimming Pool	37.1%	108
Tennis Courts	7.9%	23
Volleyball Courts	3.4%	10
Other (please specify)		1
<i>answered question</i>		291
<i>skipped question</i>		12
On average, how often do you visit parks?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
10+ times per month	18.8%	55
5-10 times per month	13.7%	40
2-5 times per month	25.3%	74
Once per month	7.5%	22
5-10 times per year	16.1%	47
Less than 5 times per year	8.2%	24
Very rarely	8.6%	25
Never	1.7%	5

Other (please specify)		3
answered question		292
skipped question		11
How important are City Parks and Recreation facilities to you and your family?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Extremely Important	35.9%	106
Very Important	38.0%	112
Somewhat Important	22.4%	66
Not Important	1.0%	3
No Opinion	2.7%	8
Other (please specify)		0
answered question		295
skipped question		8
How do you rate park structures and features? (such as playgrounds, picnic tables, restrooms, etc.)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Excellent	20.2%	59
Good	49.7%	145
Average	24.7%	72
Poor	3.8%	11
No Opinion	1.7%	5
Other (please specify)		6
answered question		292
skipped question		11
When you visit City Parks, do you feel safe?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	76.4%	217
No	5.3%	15
Don't Know	10.2%	29
Undecided	8.1%	23
If No, please tell us why:		23
answered question		284
skipped question		19
What Parks and Recreation amenities would you like to see more of? Please check all that apply.		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Baseball/Softball Fields	16.6%	47
Basketball Courts	30.7%	87
Benches	26.1%	74
Disc Golf	4.2%	12
Lighting	25.1%	71
Open Space	11.7%	33
Parking	16.6%	47

Pathways	25.4%	72
Picnic Facilities	22.6%	64
Playgrounds	24.4%	69
Restrooms	46.3%	131
Soccer Fields	14.1%	40
Spray Parks (interactive)	14.8%	42
Swimming Pools	38.2%	108
Tennis Courts	8.8%	25
Trees	23.0%	65
Volleyball Courts	13.8%	39
Walking/Nature Trails	33.6%	95
Water Features (fountain, waterfall)	28.3%	80
Other (please specify)		15
<i>answered question</i>		283
<i>skipped question</i>		20
Would you be willing to pay a small tax increase that could only be used for Parks and Recreation?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	53.5%	153
No	14.3%	41
Undecided	32.2%	92
<i>answered question</i>		286
<i>skipped question</i>		17
Do you think that land should be purchased for the future development of more parks?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	53.0%	151
No	16.1%	46
Undecided	30.9%	88
<i>answered question</i>		285
<i>skipped question</i>		18
What kind of new parks should be developed?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Community Parks (20+ acres)	42.4%	106
Neighborhood Parks (3+ acres)	28.8%	72
Greenway/Pathway	20.0%	50
No New Parks	10.4%	26
Mini Parks (less than 3 acres)	12.8%	32
Other (please specify)		8
<i>answered question</i>		250
<i>skipped question</i>		53
If you identified the need for new parks, how should they be developed?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count

Open Space	17.4%	41
Athletic Fields	33.9%	80
Playground	32.6%	77
Multi-use	39.8%	94
Trails/Nature Areas	23.3%	55
Other (please specify)		4
<i>answered question</i>		236
<i>skipped question</i>		67
Would you like to see Grandview pursue the construction of a new swimming pool facility?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
High Priority	62.1%	162
Low Priority	10.7%	28
Not Interested	3.8%	10
Undecided	13.0%	34
Renovate existing pool facilities	10.3%	27
<i>answered question</i>		261
<i>skipped question</i>		42
(Optional) What is your age?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
14 or younger	17.3%	48
15-19	16.6%	46
20-29	7.9%	22
30-39	14.8%	41
40-49	16.6%	46
50-59	10.5%	29
60-69	9.7%	27
70-79	2.5%	7
80+	4.0%	11
<i>answered question</i>		277
<i>skipped question</i>		26
(Optional) What is your gender?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Male	38.3%	103
Female	60.6%	163
I choose not to answer	1.1%	3
<i>answered question</i>		269
<i>skipped question</i>		34
(Optional) How many people live in your house or apartment?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
1	6.2%	17
2	18.8%	52

3	12.7%	35
4	29.7%	82
5	15.6%	43
6	9.1%	25
7	4.3%	12
8	1.8%	5
9	0.7%	2
10	0.0%	0
11+	1.1%	3
answered question		276
skipped question		27
(Optional) What is your ethnic origin? Please check all boxes that apply for those living in your home.		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
African American	0.4%	1
American Indian	1.1%	3
Asian	0.8%	2
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0
Hispanic or Latino	54.5%	145
White/Caucasian	47.0%	125
I choose not to answer	3.0%	8
Other (please specify)		2
answered question		266
skipped question		37
(Optional)What is your family income?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Under \$20,000	17.8%	39
\$20,001-35,000	20.1%	44
\$35,001-50,000	16.9%	37
\$50,001-65,000	12.8%	28
\$65,001-85,000	10.0%	22
\$85,001-\$100,000	9.1%	20
\$100,001-115,000	5.5%	12
Above \$115,001	7.8%	17
answered question		219
skipped question		84
Please feel free to add any additional thoughts or ideas you have to enhance Grandview Parks and Recreation.		
Answer Options	Response Count	
	61	
answered question		61
skipped question		242

The complete additional responses can be found in Appendix D



City of Grandview Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan Public Outreach Meeting

**Come help us review and
comment on the Parks &
Recreation Plan draft!**



Thursday, September 25th

7:00 – 8:00 PM

**@ The Grandview Community Center
(812 Wallace Way)**

Additional pages reserved to provide feedback from public meetings

Appendices

Appendix A – Demographic Data

Data is in .pdf format and will be added later

Appendix B – Parks and Recreation Survey

City of Grandview 2014 Parks and Recreation Survey

The purpose of this survey is to determine the needs and wishes of those who use City of Grandview Parks and Recreation programs and facilities. This information will help us develop a Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan that reflects your needs and wishes.

Section 1 – Background Questions

1. Do you live within the Grandview City limits? Yes No
2. How long have you lived in Grandview?
 Less than one year 4 – 8 years 14 – 18 years
 1 – 3 years 9 – 13 years More than 18 years

Section 2 – General Park and Recreation Questions – Tell us about your park usage

1. Which Grandview City Parks do you visit regularly? Please check all that apply.
 Country Park Palacios Parkway E Entrance Vista Grande Park
 Dykstra Park Palacios Parkway W Entrance Water Tower Park
 Eastside Park Stokely Square Westside Park
 Euclid Park
2. What park and recreation facilities do you and your family use the most? Please check all that apply.
 Baseball/Softball Fields Open Spaces Soccer Fields
 Basketball Courts Outdoor Amphitheater/Stage Swimming Pool
 Community Center Pathways Tennis Courts
 Disc Golf Course Picnic Facilities Volleyball Courts
 Museum Playgrounds _____
3. On average, how often do you visit parks?
 10+ times per month Once per month Very rarely
 5 – 10 times per month 5 – 10 times per year Never
 2 – 5 times per month Less than 5 times per year _____

Section 3 – Parks Facility Opinion Questions

1. How important are City Parks and Recreation facilities to you and your family?
 Extremely Important Somewhat Important No Opinion
 Very Important Not Important _____
2. How do you rate park structures and features? (such as playgrounds, picnic tables, restrooms, etc.)
 Excellent Average No Opinion
 Good Poor _____
3. When you visit City Parks, do you feel safe? Yes No Don't Know Undecided
If No, please tell us why: _____
4. What Parks and Recreation amenities would you like to see more of? Please check all that apply
 Baseball/Softball Fields Pathways Tennis Courts
 Basketball Courts Picnic Facilities Trees
 Benches Playgrounds Volleyball Courts
 Disc Golf Restrooms Walking/Nature Trails
 Lighting Soccer Fields Water Features
 Open Space Spray Parks (Interactive) _____
 Parking Swimming Pools _____

Section 4 – Future Planning Questions – What direction should the Parks and Recreation Division Go?

1. Would you be willing to pay a small tax increase that could only be used for Parks and Recreation?
 Yes No Undecided
2. Do you think that land should be purchased for the future development of more parks?

Yes No Undecided

3. What kind of new parks should be developed?

- Community Parks (20+ acres) Greenway/Pathway Mini Parks (less than 3 acres)
 Neighborhood Parks (3+ acres) No new Parks _____

4. If you identified the need for new parks, how should they be developed?

- Open Space Playground Trails/Nature Areas
 Athletic Fields Multi-use _____

5. Would you like to see Grandview pursue the construction of a new swimming pool facility?

- High Priority Low Priority Not Interested Undecided Renovate existing pool facilities

OPTIONAL Section 5 – Demographic Information – Tell us about yourself (all answers are optional)

1. What is your age?

- 14 or younger 30 – 39 60 – 69
 15 – 19 40 – 49 70 – 79
 20 – 29 50 – 59 80+

2. What is your Gender?

- Male Female I choose not to answer

3. How many people live in your house or apartment?

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

4. What is your ethnic origin? Please check all boxes that apply for those living in your home.

- African American Hawaiian of Pacific Islander Other _____
 American Indian Hispanic or Latino I choose not to answer
 Asian White/Caucasian

5. What is your yearly family income?

- Under \$20,000 \$50,001 – 65,000 \$100,001 – 115,000
 \$20,001 – 35,000 \$65,001 – 85,000 Above \$115,001
 \$35,001 – 50,000 \$85,001 – \$100,000

Section 6 – Additional Information

Please feel free to add any additional thought or ideas you have to enhance Grandview Parks and Recreation.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the 2014 Grandview Parks and Recreation Survey!

Ciudad de Grandview 2014 Encuesta Parques y Recreación

El propósito de esta encuesta es determinar las necesidades y los deseos de las personas que utilizan los parques y programas de recreación e instalaciones de la Ciudad de Grandview. Esta información nos ayudará a desarrollar un amplio Plan de Recreación y Parques que refleje sus necesidades y deseos.

Sección 1 – Preguntas Antecedentes

3. ¿Vive usted dentro de los límites de la ciudad de Grandview? Sí No
4. ¿Cuánto tiempo ha vivido en Grandview?
- | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Menos de un año | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 – 8 años | <input type="checkbox"/> 14 – 18 años |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 – 3 años | <input type="checkbox"/> 9 – 13 años | <input type="checkbox"/> Más de 18 años |

Sección 2 – Preguntas Generales de Parques y Recreación – Díganos sobre su uso de parques

4. ¿Qué parques de la Ciudad de Grandview visita regularmente? Por favor marque todas las que aplican.
- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Country Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Palacios Parkway E Entrance | <input type="checkbox"/> Vista Grande Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dykstra Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Palacios Parkway W Entrance | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Tower Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastside Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Stokely Square | <input type="checkbox"/> Westside Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Euclid Park | | |
5. ¿Qué servicios de parques y recreación usan más usted y su familia? Por favor marque todas las que aplican.
- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campos de béisbol/softbol | <input type="checkbox"/> Espacios abiertos | <input type="checkbox"/> Campos de Fútbol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canchas de baloncesto | <input type="checkbox"/> Anfiteatro al Aire Libre/Escenario | <input type="checkbox"/> Piscina |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centro Comunitario | <input type="checkbox"/> Caminos | <input type="checkbox"/> Canchas para tenis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf de disco | <input type="checkbox"/> Áreas de Picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Canchas de Voleibol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Museo | <input type="checkbox"/> Patio de recreo | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
6. En promedio, ¿con qué frecuencia visita parques?
- | | | |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Más de 10 veces por mes | <input type="checkbox"/> Una vez por mes | <input type="checkbox"/> Muy rara vez |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 – 10 veces por mes | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 – 10 veces por año | <input type="checkbox"/> Nunca |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 – 5 veces por mes | <input type="checkbox"/> Menos de 5 veces por año | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Sección 3 – Preguntas de Opinión sobre servicios de Parques

5. ¿Qué tan importantes son parques de la ciudad y las instalaciones de recreo para usted y su familia?
- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extremadamente importante | <input type="checkbox"/> Algo importante | <input type="checkbox"/> Ninguna opinión |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Muy importante | <input type="checkbox"/> No es importante | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
6. ¿Cómo califica usted las estructuras y características de los parques? (Por ejemplo, patio de recreo, mesas de picnic, baños, etc.)
- | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excelente | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | <input type="checkbox"/> Ninguna opinión |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bueno | <input type="checkbox"/> Inferior | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
7. Cuando usted visita parques de la ciudad, ¿se siente seguro?
- Sí No No sé Indeciso Si no, por favor, díganos por qué:
- _____
8. ¿Qué instalaciones de Parques y Recreación desea ver más? Por favor marque todas las que aplican.
- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campos de béisbol/softbol | <input type="checkbox"/> Caminos | <input type="checkbox"/> Canchas para tenis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canchas de baloncesto | <input type="checkbox"/> Áreas de Picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Árboles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bancos | <input type="checkbox"/> Patio de recreo | <input type="checkbox"/> Canchas de Voleibol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf de disco | <input type="checkbox"/> Baños | <input type="checkbox"/> Caminos/Senderos naturales |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Iluminación | <input type="checkbox"/> Campos de Fútbol | <input type="checkbox"/> Características de Agua (fuente, cascada) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Espacio abierto | <input type="checkbox"/> Parque de rocío (interactivo) | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estacionamiento | <input type="checkbox"/> Piscinas | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Sección 4 – Preguntas de Planificación Futura – ¿Qué dirección debe tomar el departamento de Parques y Recreación?

- 6. ¿Estaría usted dispuesto a pagar un pequeño aumento en los impuestos que sólo podían utilizarse para los parques y la recreación??
 Sí No Indeciso
- 7. ¿Cree usted que se deberá comprar terreno para el desarrollo futuro de más parques?
 Sí No Indeciso
- 8. ¿Qué tipo de parques nuevos se deben desarrollar?
 Parques Comunitarios (20+ acres) Caminos Parques Pequeños (menos de 3 acres)
 Parques Vecinales (3+ acres) Ningún parque nuevo _____
- 9. Si usted ha identificado la necesidad de parques nuevos, ¿cómo habría que desarrollar?
 Espacio abierto Patio de recreo Senderos/Áreas Naturales
 Campos Atlético Multi-uso _____
- 10. ¿Le gustaría ver que Grandview construya una nueva piscina?
 Alta Prioridad Prioridad Baja No me interesa Indeciso Renovar las instalaciones de la piscina

OPCIONAL Sección 5 – Información demográfica – Háblenos de usted (todas las respuestas son opcionales)

- 6. ¿Cuál es su edad?
 14 años o menos 30 – 39 60 – 69
 15 – 19 40 – 49 70 – 79
 20 – 29 50 – 59 80+
- 7. ¿Cuál es su sexo?
 Hombre Mujer Prefiero no responder
- 8. ¿Cuántas personas viven en su casa o apartamento?
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+
- 9. ¿Cuál es su origen étnico? Anote todas las casillas que correspondan a las personas que viven en su hogar.
 Afroamericano Hawaiian of Pacific Islander Otro _____
 Amerindio Hispano o Latino Prefiero no responder
 Asiático Blanco/Caucásico
- 10. ¿Cuál es su ingreso familiar anual?
 Menos de \$20,000 \$50,001 – 65,000 \$100,001 – 115,000
 \$20,001 – 35,000 \$65,001 – 85,000 Arriba de \$115,001
 \$35,001 – 50,000 \$85,001 – \$100,000

Sección 6 – Información Adicional

Por favor siéntase libre de añadir cualquier otro pensamiento o ideas que tenga para mejorar Grandview Parques y Recreación.

¡Gracias por tomar el tiempo de completar la encuesta 2014 Grandview Parques y Recreación!

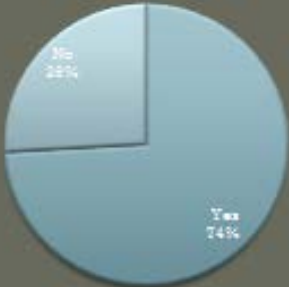
Appendix C -Survey Results Powerpoint

City of Grandview Parks and Recreation

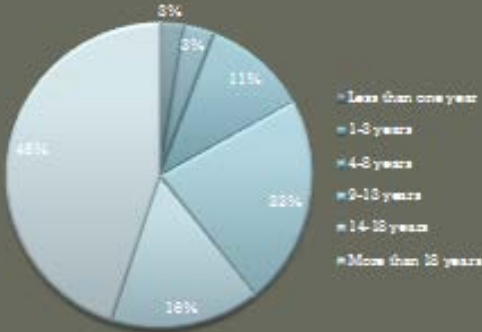
2014 Survey Results

Background Questions

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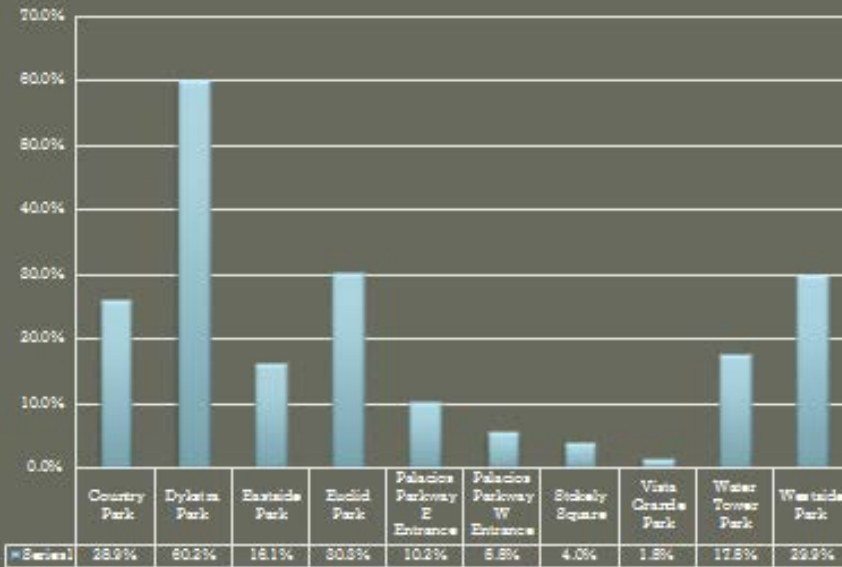


How Long Have You Lived in Grandview?



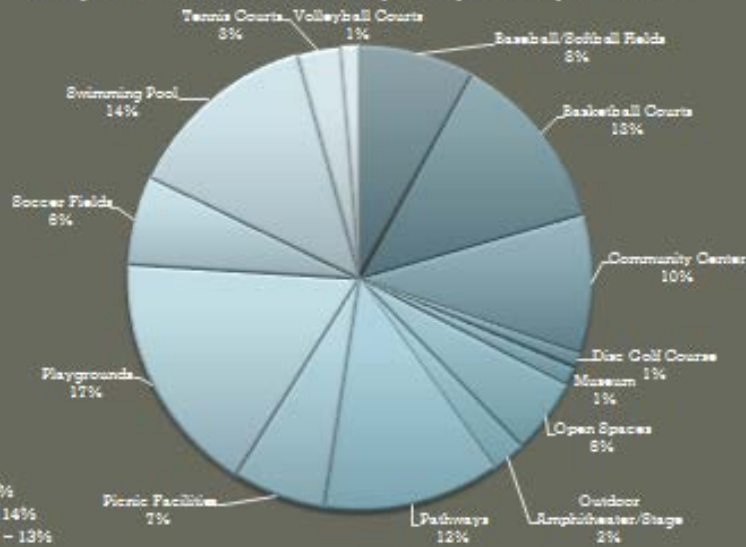
General Park and Recreation Questions

Which Grandview City Parks do you visit Regularly?



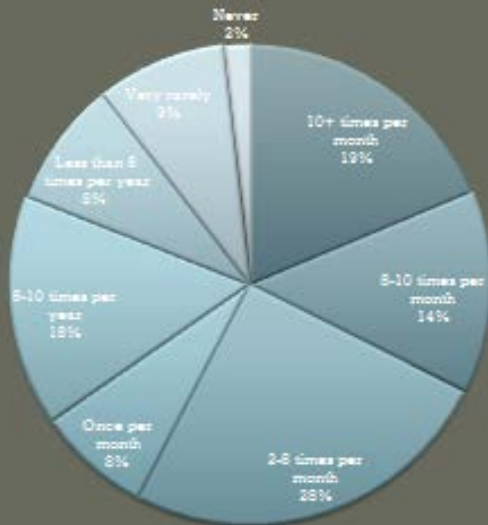
General Park and Recreation Questions

What park and recreation Facilities do you and your family use the most?

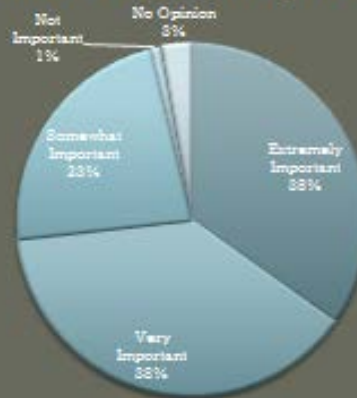


General Park and Recreation Questions

On average, how often do you visit parks?

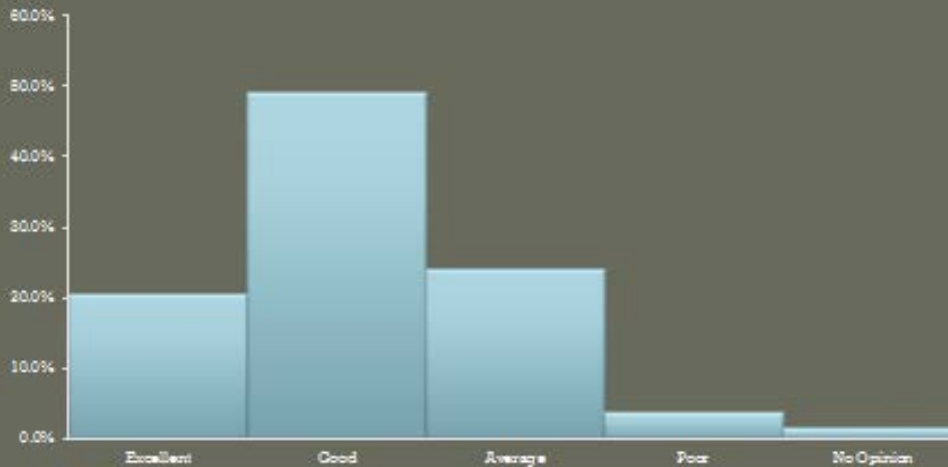


How important are City Parks and Recreation facilities to you and your family?



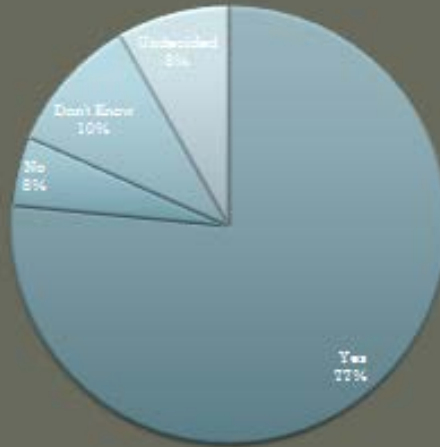
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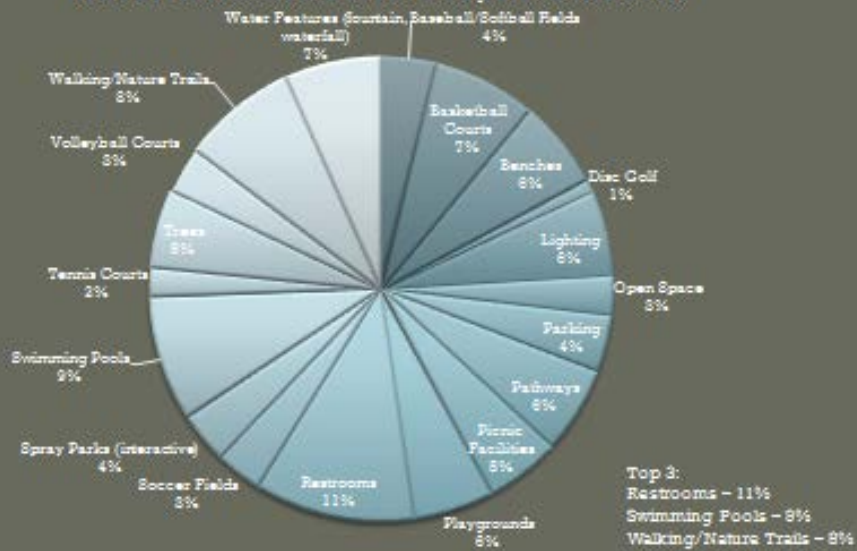
Parks Facility Questions

When you visit City Parks, do you feel safe?



Parks Facility Questions

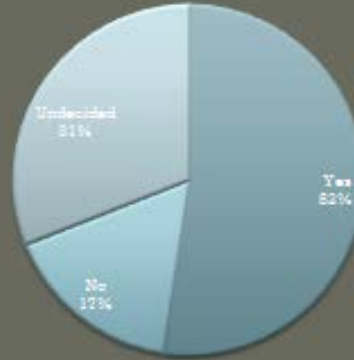
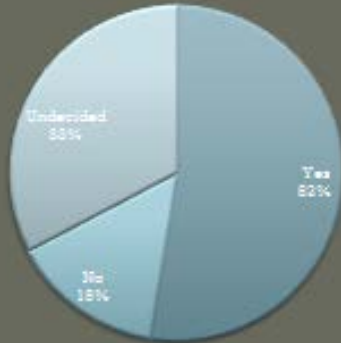
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Future Planning Questions

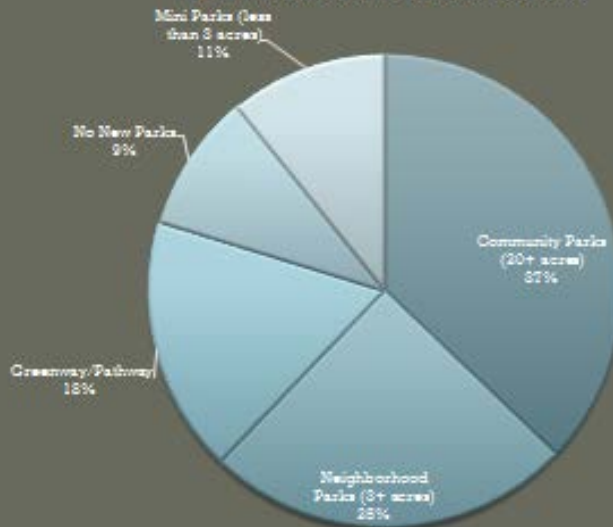
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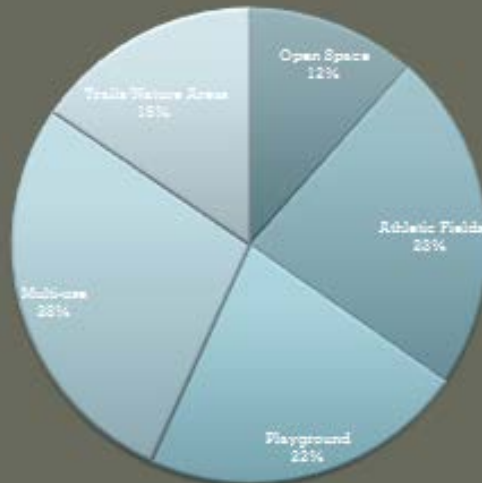
Future Planning Questions

What kind of new parks should be developed?



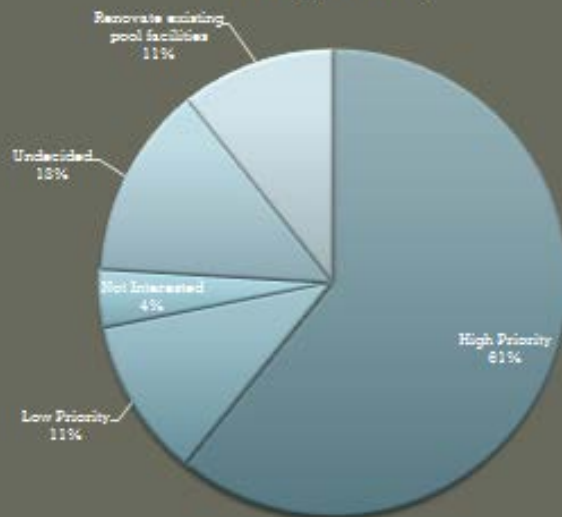
Future Planning Questions

If you identified the need for new parks, how should they be developed?

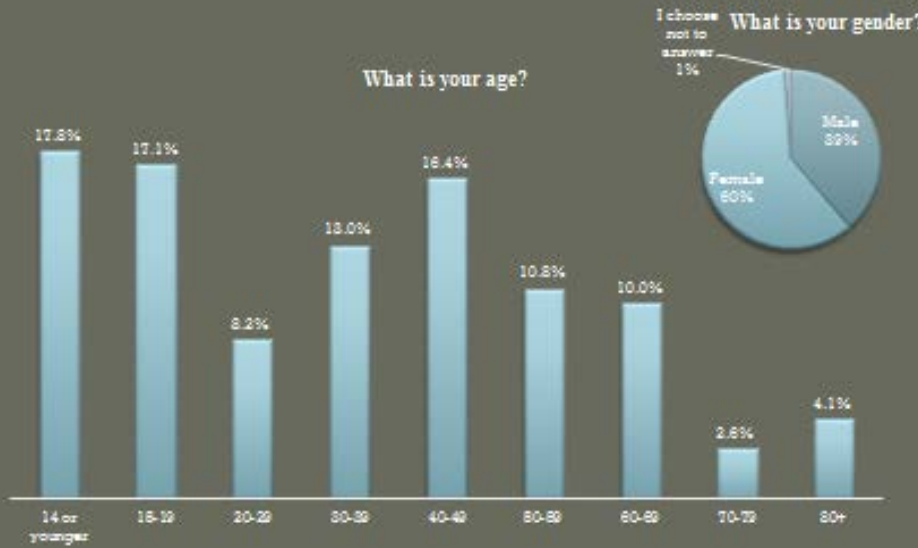


Future Planning Questions

Would you like to see Grandview pursue the construction of a new swimming pool facility?



Optional Demographic Information

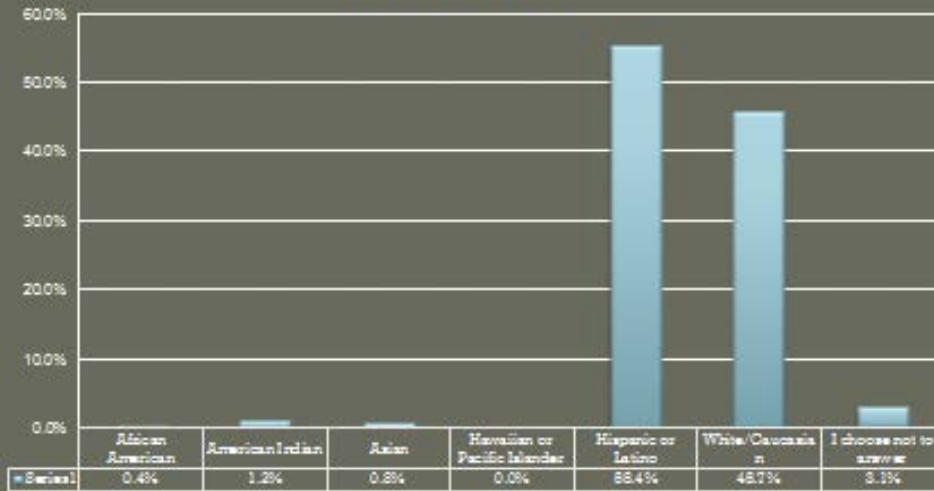


Optional Demographic Information



Optional Demographic Information

What is your ethnic origin?



Optional Demographic Information

What is your family income?



Appendix D –Survey Results:

Additional responses

Please feel free to add any additional thoughts or ideas you have to enhance Grandview Parks and Recreation.

Open-Ended Response

I understand city funds are limited and I also understand voters were unwilling to fund a new aquatic center. I believe a simplified plan of a new pool equal to the size of the current pool with the addition of a smaller pool for toddlers is sufficient for our community. Obviously, if the pool is constructed in a new location, a new pool house would be necessary as well. We are a community that does not ask for extravagance. We only want what is necessary to keep our children safe and active. The swim team needs to have the facilities necessary for hosting large meets like championships and meets against large teams such as Sunnyside, Selah, and Toppenish (or meets will last beyond the midnight hour).

I would like the parks we have to be updated with newer playground and more picnic table which family could use. Parks should be welcoming and family friendly.

Some restrooms at the parks are very dirty and I will not use them.

Make a skatepark!

The parks and rec department is amazing! Mr. Carpenter and his staff are a wonderful contribution to our community.

We need Gretchen Chronis back at the parks and rec dept. when budget allows

I would like the upkeep of facilities to be better.

Bring Gretchen back to Park and Rec Dept!!!

Really would like to see a pool facilities. The community needs it so bad.

Make a skate park please!!!

Bring Gretchen back to parks and recreation.

Its an amazing place to live and proud to be a grehound

There should be a football field made out of turf.

I would really like to see the swimming pool improved or even a brand new one built.

Senior Center needs: 1) Automatic door openers; 2) Outside lighting; 3) Bathroom closer to multi-purpose/dining room; 4) Water fountains in area; 5) Covered entryway; 6) Exercise program geared for seniors; 7) Senior picnic; 8) Bring back live music and dances for seniors; 9) Senior entryway to narrow - not handicap friendly; 10) Seniors need to be able to control thermostat for area.

Great senior center and the staff

The parks are an asset to Grandview. The citizens take advantage of them playing ball games when weather permits. The community center is an asset in many ways. I personally enjoy being able to play bridge at times. There is nothing locally to compare to it. I would support construction of a new swimming pool in Grandview. It would be an asset to the community.

I would be in favor of an aquatics center that featured an enclosed, year round swimming pool. Grandview parks are really nice and offer residents a variety of activities.

Landscape closed irrigation canal along Dykstra Park. Need more shade trees in Dykstra Park.

Please send Gretchen back to us please!!

I think we need more lights out front in the parking lot at the Sr. Center. It is way too dark when we leave at night. Thank you!

I would like to see the restrooms at the ball field cleaner and nicer.

Bring back Gretchen

I think dogs that are not dangerous be taken off leashes

Build more parks

That yes I will have a park and a swimming

Have a super fun swimming pool.

Aquatic center please

I think we should build pools and fix the dugouts for baseball and put grass in the infields.

Put a net on the hoop if it doesn't have one.

Children are gone - we don't use the facilities

The taxpayers in Grandview are not the ones who use the park facilities the most. Somehow I think the families who use the facilities need to be invested in caring for them.

I think you guys do an awesome job! Keep up the good work!

Get more full time staff at community center

I really want an aquatic center. The # of people from Grandview that drive to Prosser all summer is amazing. Their city makes \$ off of us. Would be interesting to see their data on that.

Under current budgetary circumstances. We should not be adding to Parks & Rec. facilities. Our staff has a "full plate" We endorse the upkeep of current parks & facilities, because they are being used. But, the council must commit to appropriate staffing levels in order to meet the needs.

Bring back the sales of firework and make a latino pride day your populatio of latino in grandview is 70% so I would take advantig of that.

Adding more youth sports for ages 5+ would be nice. I have a 5 year old and would love to see him involved in more community sports.

They need to get bathrooms cleaned more regularly.

Si no se puede constrair otros parques nuevos, solamente constivier cosas nuevos en el parque como juegos para ninos y conchas de basketball.

They should be having more activities and sports for the kids.

Some fenced areas for kids - Tower Park

Parks are very nice. It would good to add more pathways, playground activities for kids to use.

Love Grandview and want the best facilities available for the kids.

Make them safe

Thanks Mike for all your hard work.

Due to budget cuts I believe renovating existing parks would be the best way to go about enhancing the experiance in our local parks and pathways. I believe the purchasing of new land would be costly and time consuming when we have parks in good locales now that could use some work to be enhanced for future use.

More water activities also I would like mini golf Renovating the pool would be a good addition.

I really feel that we need more people working at the parks and recreation office and community center, they always are short staffed.

I think that the need of soccer fields would be tremendously awesome! There are numerous players that will benefit from these parks.

I see many people walking (and often with dogs) along walkways from Sunnyside to GV, also from GV to Prosser. That meet in GV town. Feel that connecting current walkways through GV would encourage more people to walk - also safer.

Get better basketballs

Take care of current bathroom facilities.

I think people support a new pool - but we know what we can afford. Let's build something that works but within reason. A water park would be nice but out of reach. I don't know what Prosser spent but they wound up with less actual "pool" than they had previously. Babies can run through a sprinkler and be happy - give the kids a pool.

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I really feel the need for a new swimming facility, the children in our community need a place to go during the summer to swim.

We have enough space at Euclid Park to get a grant to rebuild the Grandview Swimming Pool and have a 50 meter pool, not a 25 meter pool. This would draw more Grandview residents to our pool. Most kids go to the Prosser pool because our pool is considered "boring."

We just need the pool we have replaced. Some spray features would be awesome for the little ones and families