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MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Warren, Parks and Recreation Department's Mission is to provide Warren residents of all ages with positive, productive leisure time experiences and to make these activities convenient, affordable and numerous in order to enhance the physical and social well-being of all residents.

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BACKGROUND

In 2014-2015 Team 4 Community L3C was hired to develop the Parks and Recreation Master Plan for the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department.

Team 4 Community L3C (a subsidiary of DesignTeam Plus) was a socially responsible firm with the mission to give back in the community under the direction of Principals: Harold Remlinger & Shari Stein.

DesignTeam Plus is a full-service Architecture and Interior Design firm with a passion for engaging their staff in volunteer projects within the community. Principals Shari Stein & Harold Remlinger decided in 2017 absorb Team 4 Community into DesignTeam Plus.

DesignTeam Plus was hired in January 2020 to update the original City of Warren Recreation Master Plan. DesignTeam Plus updated the original survey, and the City of Warren sent out the survey link on Facebook on February 21, 2020. DesignTeam Plus planned to host focus group meetings in March of 2020, but due to COVID-19 the meetings were canceled.

In October 2020, DesignTeam Plus conducted two evening meetings on Zoom with break-out rooms for residents to answer questions and provide additional comments. That feedback has been made a part of this document. Additionally, this document contains the 2014 Focus Group meetings that were conducted in person.

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INTRODUCTION PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Warren Recreation Plan is intended to accomplish the following objectives:

1. Provide an overview of existing conditions within the City of Warren, which may influence the delivery of recreation services.
2. Undertake a survey of City residents to provide an increased awareness of the City's recreation needs.
3. Identify recreation deficiencies and needs which City-level services can address.
4. Develop policies and programs designed to address the recreation needs.
5. Identify park improvements; establish acquisition of park lands, where needed; And suggest facilities and programs to meet the recreation needs of all age groups.
6. Include a capital improvement program, identifying specific projects and intended funding sources to be implemented over a specified time frame.
7. Qualify the City to participate in recreation programs available through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The completed Recreation Plan will meet or exceed all State and Federal grant program requirements.
8. Prepare a Plan to serve as a functional and practical guide for the development of City recreation programs and facilities.

WARREN PARKS & RECREATION

MASTER PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

The principal reasons for preparing a comprehensive Recreation Plan include the following:

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COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

Recreation improvements need to consider the community's physical setting and the characteristics of the people being served. Based upon an examination of these factors, the following conclusions are drawn:

Following a period of rapid growth, the City experienced four decades of population decline. Still, Warren holds the third largest population of all cities in Michigan and projections through the year 2030 anticipate a leveling off of this decline.

Warren's population declines are largely the result of declines in younger age groups. Preschool and school-aged children declined in absolute numbers and as a percent of the City's total population. Older residents have increased significantly.

The City's population is concentrated in several identifiable residential neighborhoods. The largest concentration of residents is in the northeast section of the community. There are several major regional transportation routes, especially Mound Road, Van Dyke Avenue, and the I-696 Freeway which divide the City's residential neighborhoods and create barriers for the convenient movement of residential traffic.

The City's predominant developed land-use pattern, with little remaining undeveloped open space, places a greater importance on the community's existing parks to provide open space and recreation opportunities.

RECREATION INVENTORY

A wide range of recreation facilities, provided by several different organizations, are available to Warren residents. For example, 17 State parks or recreation areas, two Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority Parks, and one County park are reasonably accessible to City residents.

The City of Warren owns, operates, and maintains a total of 34 park sites. These include 5 community parks (City Square Park, Halmich Park, Shaw Park, Veterans Memorial Park, and Warren Community Center Park) and 25 neighborhood-level parks. These parks occupy approximately 358 acres of land. Individual park sites range in size from 2.6 acres (Altermatt Park), to a high of 74 acres (Halmich Park). The average park size is approximately 12 acres.

The parks are relatively evenly distributed throughout the City. The four (4) quadrants of the City contain approximately six parks each. The distribution of parks is important, especially in an urbanized community like Warren that is divided into identifiable neighborhoods by the numerous transportation corridors that cross the City.

The Warren Parks and Recreation Department operates the following four indoor recreation centers: Fitzgerald Recreation Center, Owen Jax Recreation Center, Stilwell Manor Recreation Center, and the Warren Community Center.

RECREATION GOALS

The following goal statements offer a policy framework for meeting the City's current and anticipated recreation needs. They are intended to be broad enough to provide the City with enough flexibility to address the needs of Warren residents over the next five years.

OVERALL PLAN GOAL

1. Enhance and increase the quality of life for Warren residents by providing a full range of recreation facilities and programs to meet their needs.

EXISTING FACILITIES

2. Maximize the use of all existing City park sites.
3. Expand and upgrade the range of recreation opportunities available at each park.
4. Adhere to high maintenance standards for all City parks.
5. Improve the visual quality of all parks by undertaking a continuous landscaping program.
6. Prepare a capital improvement program for each existing park site, identifying equipment that should be re-placed or added, including a yearly improvement schedule.

NEW FACILITIES

1. Improve one or more park sites serving the southern half of the City.
2. Expand existing park sites, where possible, by acquiring land from school districts when existing schools are closed and sold.
3. Develop a bicycle/pedestrian path linking the City's recreation facilities to regional recreational sites.
4. Bridge development to connect residential neighborhoods to parks and bike path over the Red Run Drain between: (a) Ryan and Mound Roads (b) Mound and Van Dyke Roads (c) Van Dyke and Hoover.

ADMINISTRATION

1. Monitor and adjust program offerings to reflect changing preferences and the demographic characteristics of Warren's population.
2. Offer passive and active recreational programs, instructional programs, sports leagues, special events and programs designed for residents with special needs.
3. Increase exposure to Recreation Department Programs and facilities by regularly publishing program offerings and special events available from the City.
4. Establish a regular mechanism to solicit citizen input on Recreation Department programs.
5. Encourage continued cooperation between the Parks and Recreation Department and the six school districts serving the City regarding the use of school facilities.
6. Maintain and update as necessary the current policy with the local school districts regarding the use of school facilities by the Warren Parks and Recreation Department, including wider use of school facilities by the City, as well as City control of all ball diamonds, soccer fields and play fields.
7. Partner with school districts to establish sites to be used for recreational purposes.
8. Establish a long-term financial plan, including a projection of needed capital expenditures to be made over time.
9. Pursue all possible funding sources for capital improvements, operations, and maintenance.
10. Charge reasonable and fair customer fees to support existing programs.

RECREATIONAL ACTION PLAN

The Action Program considers each element of the City's recreation program, including neighborhood and community parks, indoor facilities, administration, financing, and the relationship of the City with other recreation providers. Specific recommendations are documented for each topic. Moreover, the recommendations listed are aligned with the feedback received from the surveys and Zoom Focus Group Meetings.

- RECOMMENDATION 1:** Safety for the residents at the community centers and parks; providing exterior lighting, surveillance and safeguarding the parking lots while providing year-round maintenance.
- RECOMMENDATION 2:** Maintain, renovate, or replace all indoor and outdoor facilities on a routine schedule.
- RECOMMENDATION 3:** Increase the amount of money available for recreation programs and facilities, especially capital investments in park improvements.
- RECOMMENDATION 4:** Ensure ADA barrier-free accessibility in all parks. Update and modernize all comfort stations to ADA standards. Update play structures and equipment to be universal for all children to play.
- RECOMMENDATION 5:** Create new recreational activities, programs, and facilities within the park system such as Disc Golf Course, Bicycle Pump Park, Pickle Ball Courts, Skate Parks, Expand for new dog parks.
- RECOMMENDATION 6:** Work with local agencies for trail connections for Warren and throughout Southeast Michigan.
- RECOMMENDATION 7:** Expand the Parks and Recreation department staffing to better service the public.
- RECOMMENDATION 8:** Create a technology platform application were residents can query and communicate updates.
- RECOMMENDATION 9:** Develop community gardens, as well as nature paths for schools and community groups. Collaboration with the different Community Groups so they may work together on future projects.
- RECOMMENDATION 10:** Incorporate murals within the parks as well as other art forms and cultural projects to foster collaborative, and Placemaking projects for school and community groups.

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CITY OF WARREN

COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

JURISDICTION & DEMOGRAPHICS

COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

JURISDICTION

REGIONAL SETTING

The City of Warren is located within the southwest corner of Macomb County. Macomb County is bordered by Lapeer County on the northwestern corner and St. Clair County on the northeastern corner. The City shares a common boundary with Wayne County to the south, along 8 Mile Road, and with Oakland County, along Dequindre Road. The following individual communities shares common boundaries with Warren: The Cities of Detroit, Hazel Park, Madison Heights, Sterling Heights, Fraser, Roseville, and Eastpointe. The City of Center Line is located within Warren's perimeter boundaries.

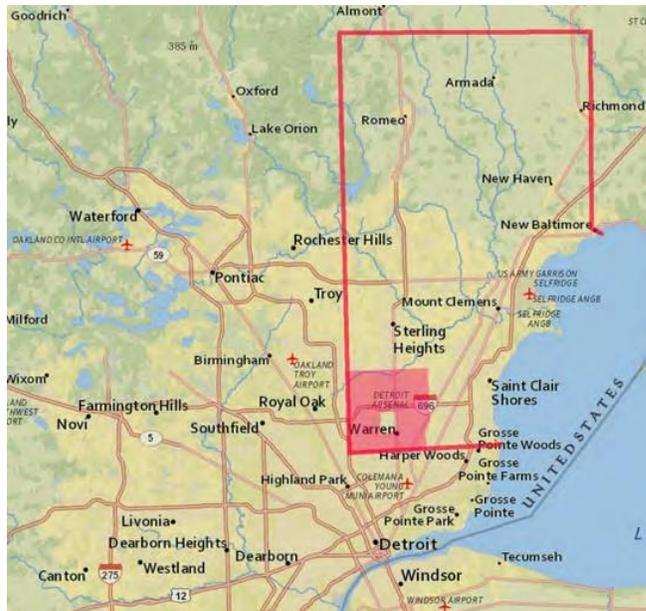


Figure 1: Regional map of Southeast Michigan

MAJOR ROADWAY CONNECTIONS

There are several regional transportation routes across the City. These include the I-696 Freeway, M-53 (Van Dyke Avenue), M-102 (Eight Mile Road) and M-97 (Groesbeck Highway). Mound Road is another important north-south route extending from Detroit and offering access to I-696.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

The physical setting of a community may influence the availability of recreation opportunities. The presence of varied topography, woodlands, and other natural water features, including lakes and rivers, often provide unique opportunities for diverse recreation activities. A community's land use characteristics also need to be considered in evaluating recreation needs and opportunities.

TOPOGRAPHY & WATER

Warren is in a portion of Macomb County that was once a glacial lakebed, which explains the City's predominant level surface features. No significant changes in topography are evident in the City except along the banks of the Red Run Drain which crosses the northern portion of the City. The drain is the City's only significant water feature.

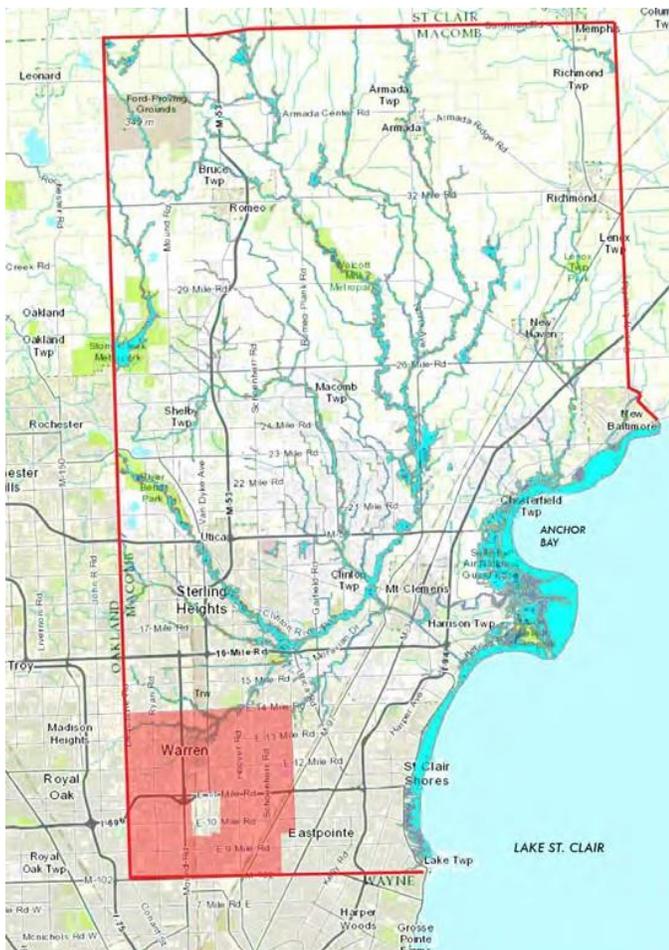


Figure 2: Local watershed map of Macomb County

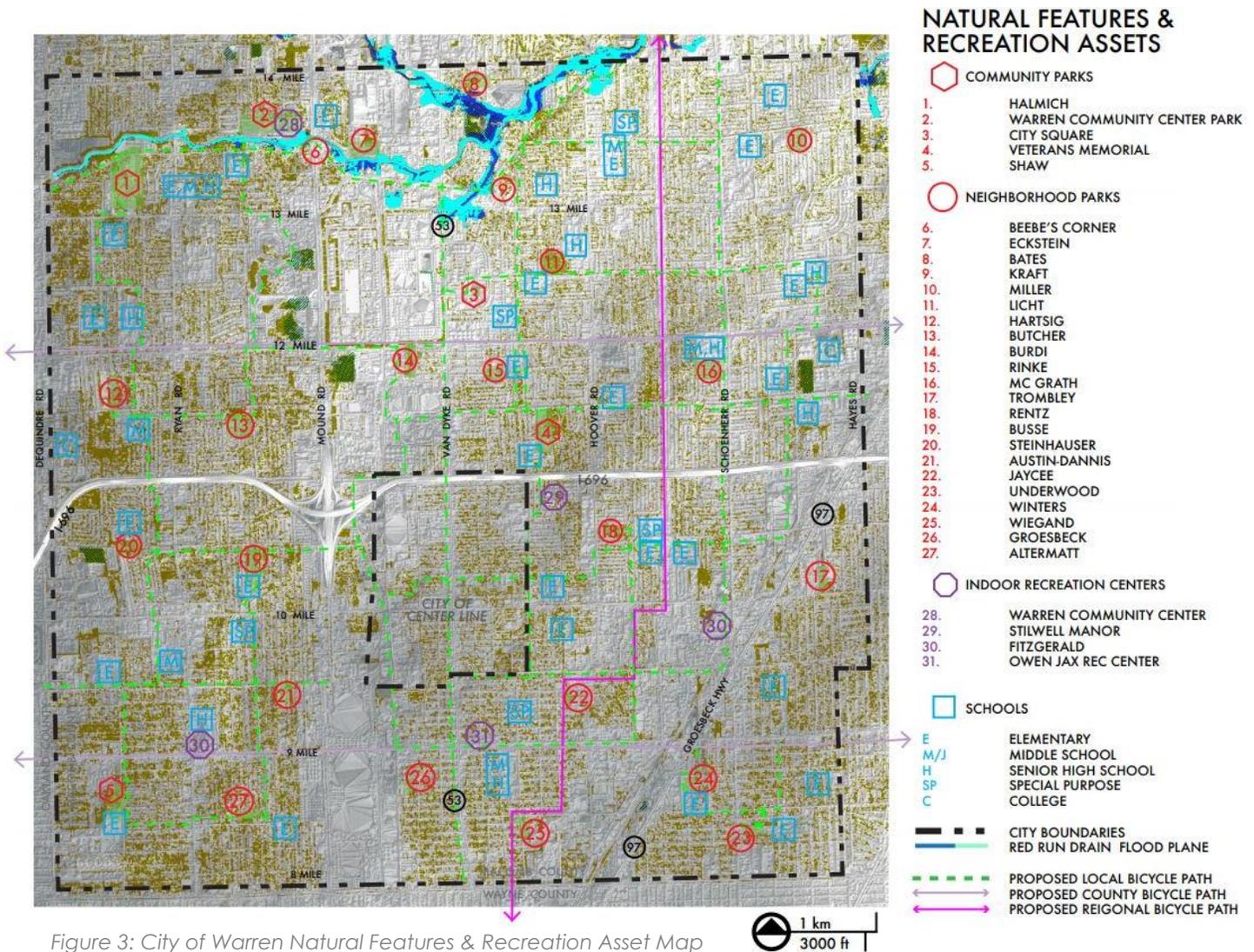


Figure 3: City of Warren Natural Features & Recreation Asset Map

EXISTING LAND USE

The City of Warren is characterized by a nearly completely developed land use pattern. Residential uses, specifically single-family homes, are the City's dominant use features. The City's residential neighborhoods are separated by two major industrial corridors. The principal industrial corridor is located between Van Dyke and Mound Roads, and the secondary corridor is located along Groesbeck Highway and the Grand Trunk and Western Railroad Tracks. Most of Warren's commercial development is located along the major transportation routes that pass through the City.

WOODLANDS & WETLANDS

Undisturbed woodlands and wetlands offer numerous benefits for recreational purposes. For example, these natural features enhance the setting of parks by providing opportunities for picnicking, hiking, and nature interpretation. Warren's urbanization has impacted the City's natural features and few significant woodlands and wetlands remain in Warren today. These natural features were altered to accommodate the land development activities that occurred in Warren since 1950.

COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

DEMOGRAPHICS

POPULATION GROWTH TRENDS

Warren's population has experienced significant increases and declines since 1970. These changes are the consequence of the City's regional location. Located along the City of Detroit's northern boundary, Warren is included among a ring of inner suburbs that have benefited from the first wave of suburban migration, which occurred beginning in the 1950s and continued through to the 1960s. Warren's convenient location along several regional transportation corridors helped to accelerate this process. During these two decades, Warren's population doubled two times, from 42,653 in 1950 to 89,246 in 1960, peaking at 179,260 in 1970. Since 1970, Warren's population base experienced three successive declines. In 1980, the population declined to 161,134, for a loss of 18,126 persons. In 1990, the population declined 16,270 persons to 144,869. In 2000, the population declined further to 138,247 for a loss of 6,617 persons. From 2000 to 2010, the population decreased by another 3%.

The latest population estimates prepared by the 2010 US Census estimates Warren's population to be 134,056. This gives Warren the third largest population among cities in Michigan. The previous demographic report estimated a greater population loss in 2010, however, current estimates show a small increase in population since the 2010 census. Instead of a decline of 2000 residents, the total number of residents has increased slightly, from 134,056 to 134,259. (US Census, 2010)

DISTRIBUTION

The distribution of Warren's population across the City's 34.3 square mile area has an influence on the delivery of recreation services to City residents. Population distribution patterns can be evaluated in relation to existing parks and school sites to determine if existing recreation opportunities are appropriately located in relation to the City's population. Those major transportation routes that cross Warren divide the City into four major geographic areas identified as northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest. The northeast corner of the City, extending from I-696 north and from Van Dyke Avenue east, is

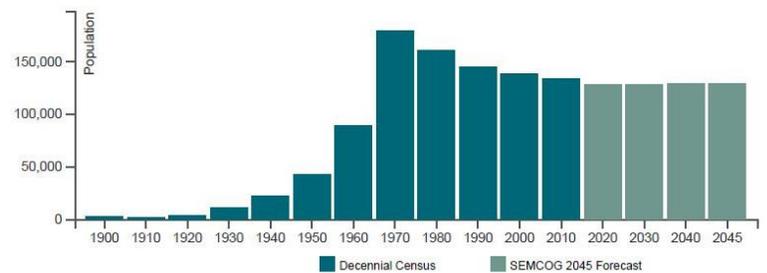


Figure 4: SEMCOG Community Profile ACS 2019

the most populous portion of the community.

POPULATION GROWTH TRENDS

In contrast to its fluctuating population, Warren has seen relatively little change in terms of household composition. Warren continues to be a city primarily composed of families (64%) where just under one-third have children under 18 years of age in the household. Family households with children under 18 years of age make up a higher proportion than any of the other communities except Eastpointe (32%) and almost identical to the national rate (29%). This is good news

for the school systems now, and if these future citizens can be kept within the City, it can help buffer Warren against the sharply rising median age in the state. The other third of households (35.6%) are called “nonfamily,” defined as cohabitation with those other than relatives. While this figure has stagnated since 2010, it represents a large cultural shift since the 1966 Master Plan was completed. As younger generations wait longer to form families, those gap years are spent living with roommates or with unmarried partners. (US Census, 2010)

POPULATION AGE AND LIFE CYCLE

Uncharacteristic of many cities, Warren’s median age has declined ever so slightly over time. Between 2010 and 2016, the median age dropped by 0.2 years from 39.4 to 39.2 years. (SEMCOG, 2019)

Currently the youth outnumber the City’s eldest residents, but this may not be the case for long. The younger end of the Baby Boomers and some of the GenX generation, spanning ages 45 to 59, is bigger still and outweighs the school-aged cohort. It has not registered yet, but Warren in the next decade will likely become an aging community contingent upon fertility rates and migration patterns. At 49 births per 1,000 women ages 15-50, Warren’s fertility rate tracks with the County, State, and national rates (49, 52, and 52 respectively) and has risen since 2009. Fertility varies considerably among the communities surveyed, ranging

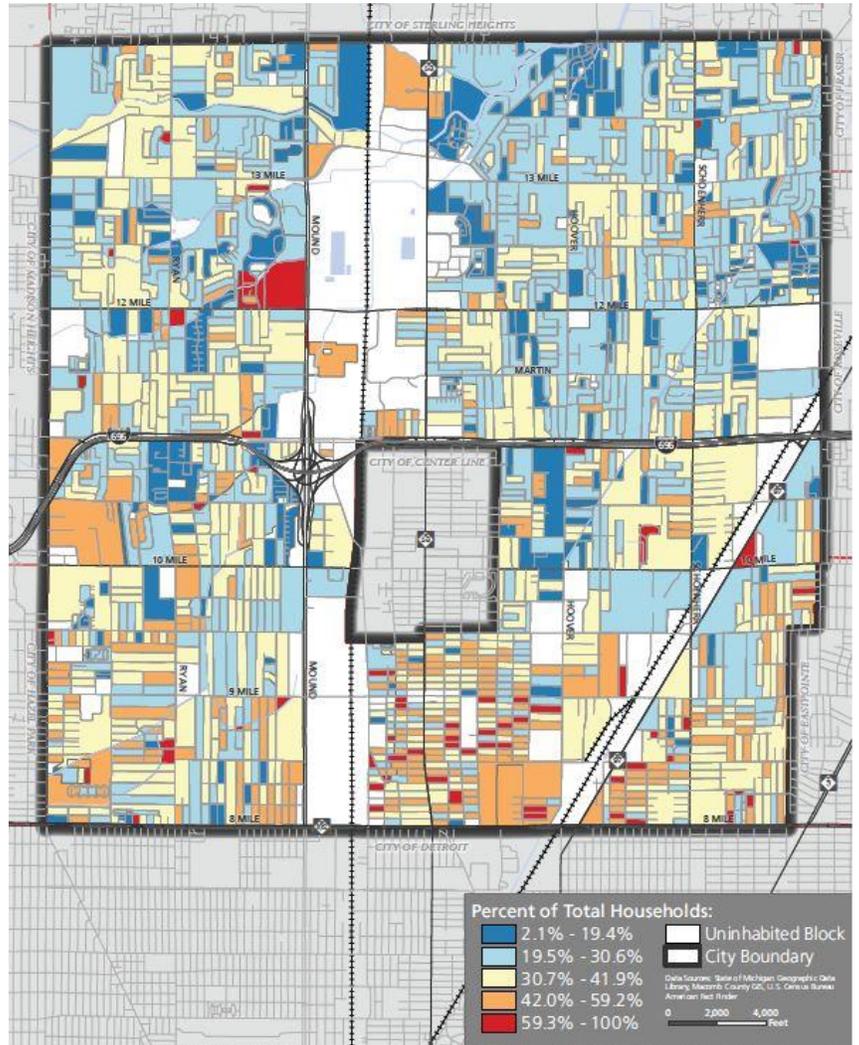


Figure 5: 2010 US Census Percent of households with Children

from 87 per 1,000 women in Madison Heights to 32 per 1,000 women in Eastpointe and Hazel Park. The highest birth rate in Warren is among women aged 20- 34 (96 births per 1,000 women); it is good news that there were only 6 births per 1,000 women aged 15-19. (US Census, 2010)

RACE AND ETHNIC CHARACTERISTICS

The City of Warren is becoming an increasingly diverse place to live. According to census data published in 2000, 91.3% of Warren’s population was white. This number decreased significantly in the 2010 census

(16.7%) and according to current estimates and projections, the number of residents identifying as white or Caucasian continues to decrease. The largest increases among ethnic groups between 2000 and 2010 are found in the African American (390%) and the Hispanic Communities (47.6%). Projections for 2018 indicate that in African American Community will make up 17% of the ethnic population, or approximately 22,300 residents, a significant increase from the 3,700 residents that identified themselves as African American in the 2000 census.

The United States is more racially diverse than ever. As hubs for immigration and innovation, cities usually reflect this trajectory towards dense multicultural centers. Warren is on this path but moving slowly. Most notably between 2010 and 2016, the African American population grew from 13.5% to 17.4% and similarly the Asian population grew from 4.6% to 7.0%. The Hispanic population has remained the same at 2.1%. There are a few pockets where the non-white population is clustered. Southern Warren, directly on the border of Detroit, is the largest area of minority population. Other areas host concentrated pockets where people of color live, including blocks in the northeast quadrant of the city; along the west border with Madison Heights; in a recently constructed housing development on Mound Road; and adjacent and west of

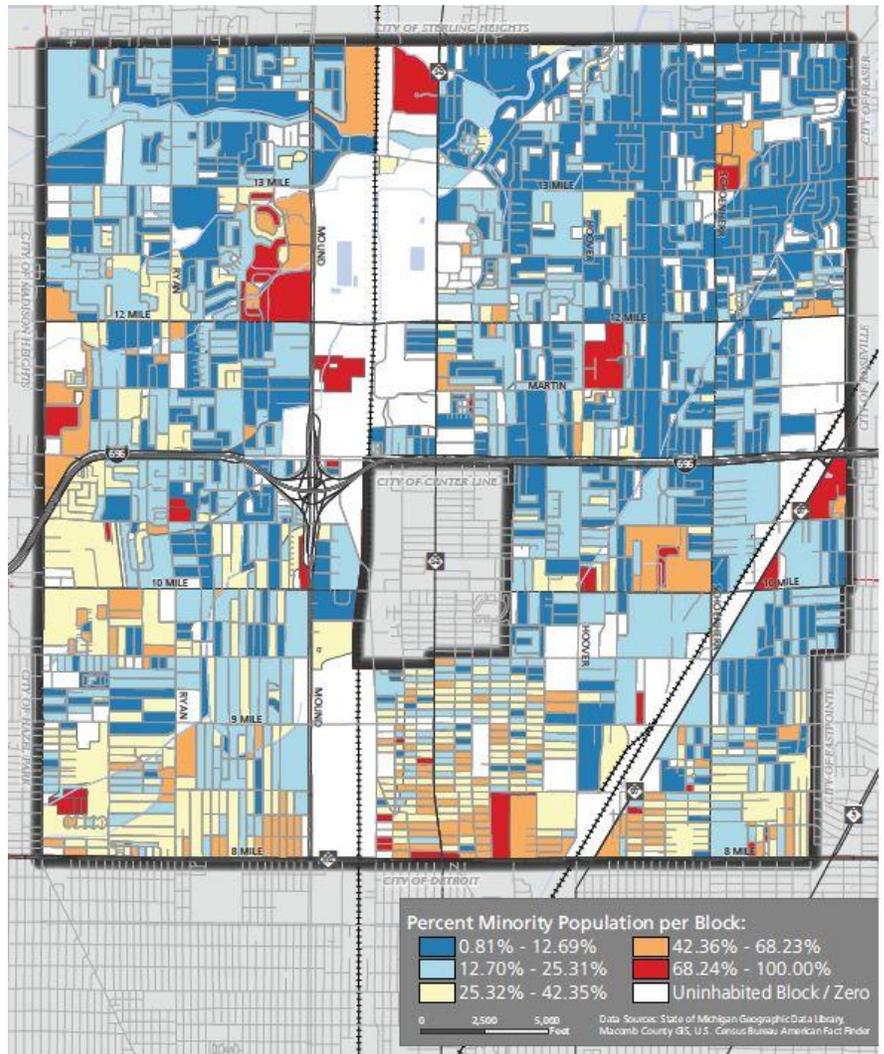


Figure 6: 2010 US Census Minority Population Map

M-53 in the northern part of City. The northeast side of the city is the least diverse. (US Census, 2010)

ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Warren's median household income of \$44,014 falls short of its larger geographies: it is only 79% of Macomb County's (\$55,951) and 86% of the state's (\$50,803). Lower median household incomes are clustered heavily in south Warren with only small pockets of lower incomes above I-696. Lower median household incomes also overlap with a higher

concentration of minority populations in south Warren. Wages are also falling over time. Until 2000, wages rose steadily, but as of 2016 the median household income is about \$600 less than it was in the year 2000. With 16 years of inflation, this degrades a household's purchasing power by more than \$600 per year.

Southeast Michigan's history as an industrial stronghold lingers despite massive job loss in manufacturing over the last half century. It is possible that students who graduate from the local school system or people attracted to the trades from further away may not need a college degree to find employment. In almost all the cities alike, manufacturing accounts for an influential part of the economy. In Warren, manufacturing holds equal rank with the growing education and healthcare services field; between the two industries, over 40% of residents are employed. Warren's economy has diversified over time from heavily manufacturing to nearly the same proportion of persons working in the educational services, health care, and social assistance industries. Overall, Michigan's manufacturing advantage is still in full force: in each of the surveyed

geographies and in the state as a whole, manufacturing represents approximately 20% of the workers, which is double the proportion of manufacturing workers nationwide (10%). This means that Warren has a lower proportion than the national rate of workers in other categories, and these differences are spread evenly across industries.

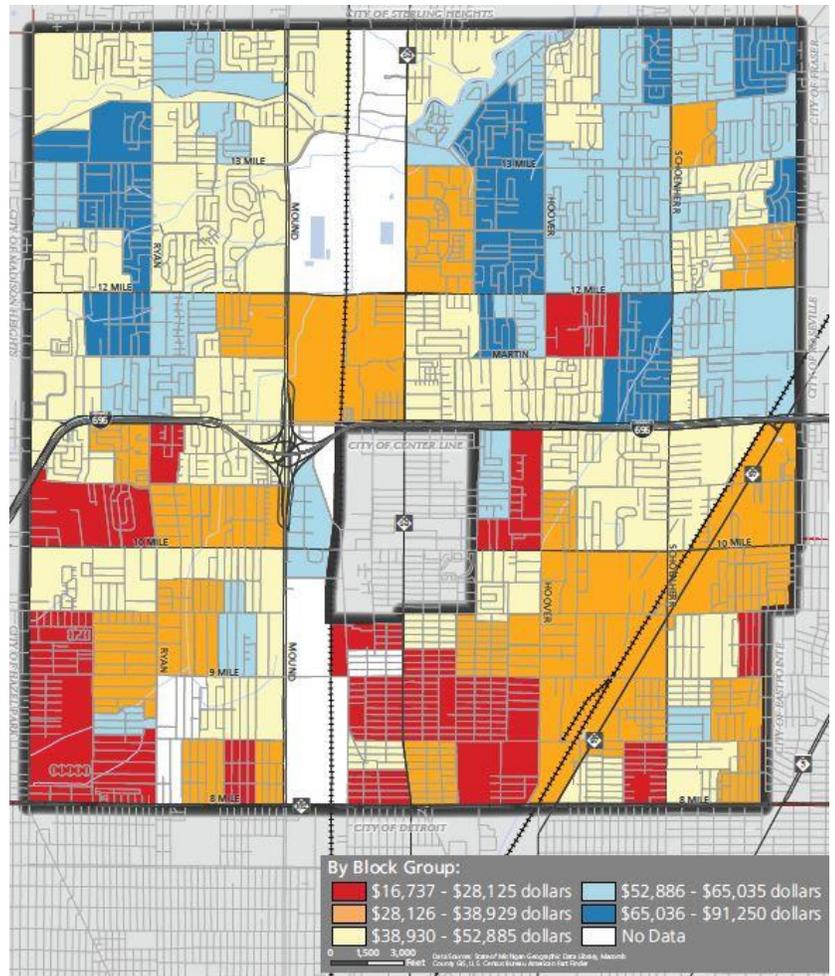


Figure 7: 2010US Census Median Household Income

2 CITY OF WARREN ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE ORGANIZATION & RECREATION AUTHORITIES BUDGETING

ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

ORGANIZATION IN 2015

The City of Warren operates under a strong Mayor-City Council form of government. The City Council is the legislative branch, and the Mayor is the administrative branch. The Mayor is elected to be the chief administrator or chief executive officer. All departments of the City are responsible to the Mayor, and the department heads are appointed by the Mayor.

Warren's Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was created by Ordinance 32 in 1961 to study and make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council. This was done regarding recreation policy, present and future requirements for park and recreational facilities, and to make estimates of the costs of acquisition and maintenance of said facilities. One (1) member of City Council is selected by the Council to sit as a non-voting member of the Commission. This nine-member Commission meets monthly. The Director of the Parks and Recreation Department serves as secretary to the Commission. A copy of the Ordinance creating the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Commission is included in the Appendix of this document.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meets quarterly or as needed. This nine-person board reviews policies and procedures; participates in the "appeals" process; and helps assess the wants and needs of the Warren community. This Commission meets with staff to discuss the current and future strategic plans of the Parks and Recreation Department.

The City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department has a staff of nineteen (19) full-time employees who are responsible for staffing the financial, clerical, maintenance, programming and activity functions of the City's Parks and Recreation Program. The Department hires up to 350 seasonal employees each year as playground instructors, park managers, craft instructors, umpires, referees, scorekeepers, and lifeguards, among others. Warren's forestry operation also falls under the responsibility of the Parks and Recreation Department. A full-time Supervisor is responsible for overseeing the operation of the City's parks, recreation, and forestry operations. The administrative structure of the Department is shown in Figure 8.

Volunteers are often used within the Parks and Recreation department. Their services are crucial for special events and other community activities. They perform duties such as parking, security, and giving general information to event participants. A core group of citizens, known as C.E.R.T. (Citizens Emergency Response Team) are often used, along with volunteers from senior citizens groups, high school students, churches, civic organization, and so on.

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The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meets quarterly or as needed. This nine-person board reviews policies and procedures; participates in the “appeals” process; and helps assess the wants and needs of the Warren community. This Commission meets with staff to discuss the current and future strategic plans of the Parks and Recreation Department.

The City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department has a staff of seven (7) full-time employees who are responsible for staffing the financial, clerical, maintenance, programming and activity functions of the City's Parks and Recreation Program. The Department hires up to 250 seasonal employees each year as there are no playground instructors, park managers, craft instructors, umpires, referees, scorekeepers, and lifeguards, among others. Warren's forestry operation also falls under the responsibility of the Parks and Recreation Department. A full-time Supervisor is responsible for overseeing the operation of the City's parks, recreation, and forestry operations. The administrative structure of the Department is shown in Figure 9.

Volunteers are often used within the Parks and Recreation department. Their services are crucial for special events and other community activities. They perform duties such as parking, security, and giving general information to event participants. A core group of citizens, known as C.E.R.T. (Citizens Emergency Response Team) are often used, along with volunteers from senior citizens groups, high school students, churches, civic organization, and so on.

2015 ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE ORGANIZATION

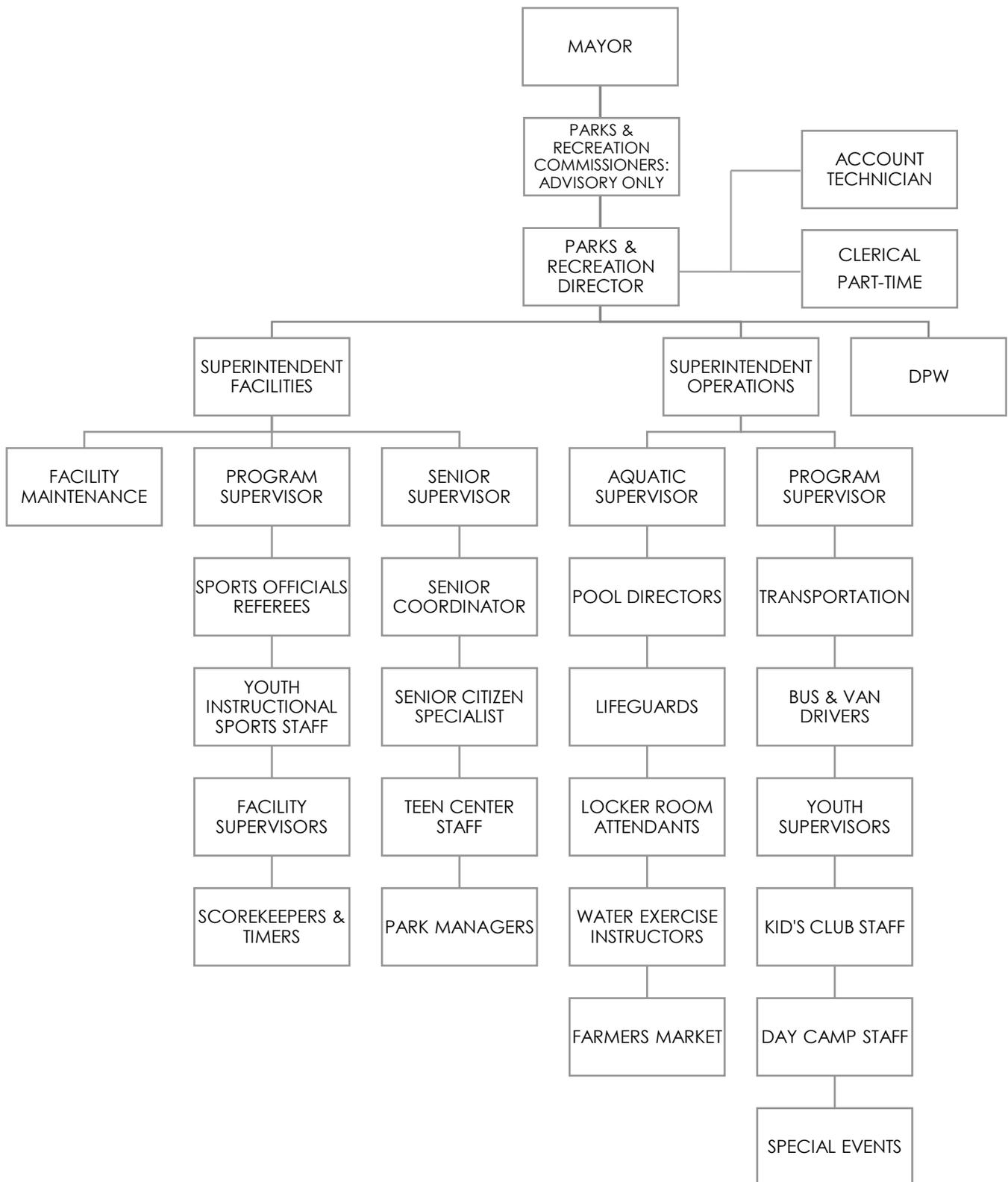


Figure 8: City of Warren Parks & Recreation Administrative Structure 2015 (Provided by City of Warren Parks & Recreation)

2020 ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE ORGANIZATION

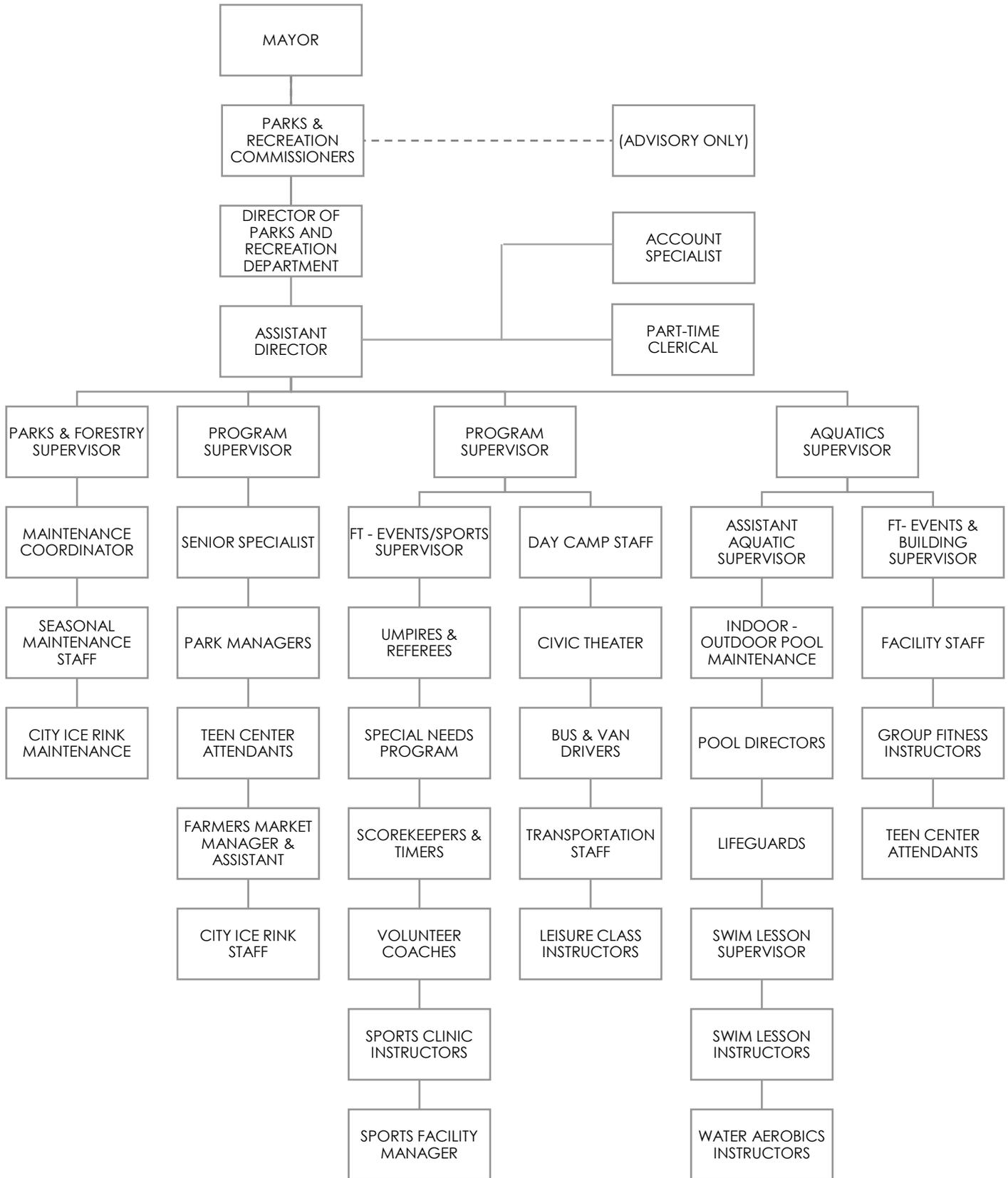


Figure 9: City of Warren Parks & Recreation Administrative Structure 2020 (Provided by City of Warren Parks & Recreation)

GAPS IN ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

The administrative structure from 2015 in comparison to the 2020 administrative structure depict staffing deficits that are very apparent. In 2015, the Parks and Recreation Department had nineteen (19) full-time employees who were responsible for handling the financial, clerical, maintenance, programming and activity functions of the City's Parks and Recreation Program. Currently, the Parks and Recreation Department has only seven (7) full-time employees who are responsible for staffing the financial, clerical, maintenance, programming and activity functions of the City's Parks and Recreation Program. Furthermore, the department previously hired up to 350 seasonal employees back in 2015 as well as playground instructors, park managers, craft instructors, umpires, referees, scorekeepers, and lifeguards, among others. Currently, The City Parks and Recreation Department is only hiring 250 seasonal employees and there are no playground instructors. This is a shortage of 100 people to maintain the parks, restrooms, and facilities, with an increased number of parks to manage.

RECREATION BUDGET

The Parks and Recreation Special Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2019 is \$5,736,682. The passage of the special millage by the citizens of Warren has provided a stable funding source to operate the department and provide some needed improvements throughout City Parks. The Recreation Special Revenue Fund accounts for specific property taxes, grants and user fees that are used to operate the Warren Community Center, activities, parks, playgrounds, and other facilities. The revenues received in this fund can only be used for recreational purposes.

Funding allocated for limited capital improvements have taken place because of responsible usage of the budget fund balance. Over the past several years the Department has been provided some state DNR funding through Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund and the Clear Michigan Initiative for park development.

The approval of one millage dedicated to the operation and improvement to the Parks and Recreation Department has proven to be a major accomplishment for the City of Warren. The intention of the department is to make continuing improvements in programs, staffing, facilities, and parks wherever necessary. The stability of dependable funding will provide flexibility and latitude to make appropriate changes.

Public transportation demands continue to grow with the older population in Warren. The Parks and Recreation Department has established and provides transportation for numerous older citizens. Funding is primarily secured through the Michigan Department of Transportation, Smart Grants and the Parks and Recreation Special Revenue Fund.

RECREATION BUDGET HISTORY

CITY OF WARREN RECREATION EXPENDITURES					
2015 - 2019					
	Budget	Actual Expenditures			
Budget Line Item	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Taxes	3,068,722	3,113,426	3,009,877	3,025,249	3,090,912
State Taxes	446,002	308,767	247,594	251,267	289,456
Recreation Fees	1,830,227	1,922,024	1,806,476	1,868,898	1,886,294
Miscellaneous	177,659	212,497	476,851	287,107	453,054
Interest or Investments Income	464	1,995	6,180	1,446	16,966
TOTAL REVENUE	5,523,074	5,558,709	5,546,978	5,433,967	5,736,682
Personnel Services	2,392,212	2,195,010	2,057,380	2,116,124	2,064,513
Employee Benefits	1,202,201	1,217,403	1,148,122	1,260,901	1,090,224
Supplies	173,635	148,655	185,952	181,689	149,350
Other Services & Charges	2,182,844	2,091,087	2,011,027	2,005,579	2,322,412
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	6,054,550	5,692,935	5,457,830	5,656,876	5,702,276
Excess (deficiency) of revenues	(531,476)	(134,226)	89,148	(222,909)	34,406
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	1,545,426	1,013,950	879,725	968,873	755,964
FUND BALANCE END OF THE YEAR	1,013,950	879,724	968,873	745,964	790,370

Table 1: City Recreation Expenditures, Provided by the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department 2020

CITY OF WARREN DNR GRANT HISTORY

YEAR	PROJECT NO.	PROJECT TITLE	GRANT TYPE	AMOUNT	PROJECT STATUS	DETAILS
2001	TF01-017	Rentz Park Development	Development	\$120,500.00	Closed	Develop Rentz Park, a small neighborhood park, with playground equipment, walking path, park benches & landscaping.
2000	CM00-019	Warren Community Center Development – Phase I	Development	N/A	Closed	Replaced fencing, new concrete walking paths, storm water drainage, lighting, landscaping, grills/picnic tables and shelters with restrooms.
1996	TF96-040	Trombley Park Expansion	Acquisition	\$375,000.00	Withdrawn	Purchase adjacent property, 9.8 acres, to enlarge park and provide additional recreation for the neighborhood and the City.
1995	TF95-269	Shaw Park Expansion	Acquisition	\$300,000.00	Withdrawn	Acquisition of approx. 20 acres to expand Shaw Park, an existing 21-acre park used for passive & active recreation.
1992	BF92-152	Urban Parks Development	Acquisition	N/A	Closed	Equipment upgrades and site developments to Licht Park, Rinke Park, Miller Park, Steinhauser Park and Council Park
1991	TF91-245	Park Property Acquisition	Acquisition	\$843,000.00	Withdrawn	Purchase 60 acres for park development
1990	BF90-071	Warren Park Improvements	Development	N/A	Closed	New play structures at 6 parks, new picnic equipment at 8 parks.
1989	BF89-441	Urban Parks Development	Development	N/A	Closed	Comfort stations with shelter (3) playground equipment (4) grills and picnic tables (3) picnic pavilions (4) landscaping (5) paved parking lots (2)

YEAR (Cont.)	PROJECT NO. (Continued)	PROJECT TITLE (Continued)	GRANT TYPE (Continued)	AMOUNT (Continued)	PROJECT STATUS (Continued)	DETAILS (Continued)
1989	BF89-442	Bear Creek (Jeanne O. Busse) Park	Development	N/A	Closed	Site work, paved parking lot, comfort station/shelter, playground equipment, picnic equipment, soccer field, fencing, signage, trees, and landscaping
1979	TF325	Warren Outdoor Education & Recreation Center	Acquisition	N/A	Withdrawn	Acquire approx. 17 of heavily wooded land
1978	26-01060 A3	Louis J. Burdi Park	Development	N/A	Closed	Tennis Courts (2), playground equipment, landscaping, drainage, park signage, picnic equipment, boundary fencing
1977	26-00862	Austin-Dannis Park	Development	N/A	Closed	Lighted Tennis Courts (4), Soccer posts, bleachers, playground equipment, landscaping, drainage, boundary fencing, plaque.
1977	26-00863	Orba-Underwood Park	Development	N/A	Closed	Lighted Tennis Courts (4), ballfield, bleachers, playground equipment, soccer posts, landscaping, drainage, boundary fencing, plaque.
1976	26-00734	Jaycee Park	Development	N/A	Closed	Lighted Tennis Courts (2), Playground equipment, football/soccer field, bleachers, landscaping, fencing, signage.
1975	26-00555	Austin-Dannis Park	Acquisition	N/A	Closed	Acquisition of 10 acres.

Table 2: City of Warren DNR Grant History, Provided by the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department

2019- 2020 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1. Acquired additional funding for Parks and Recreation Repairs and Upgrades
 - Renovate or replace restroom facilities
 - Renovate or replace play structures
2. New upgrades to WCC building
 - New filter system for lap pool area
 - New filtration system for leisure pool
 - New canopy fixtures in pool area
 - Canopy natatorium finish
 - New cedar boards and trim for sauna
3. Replaced play structure at Hartsig Park
4. Improved baseball diamonds
 - Butcher Park, 2 ball diamonds
 - Miller Park, 1 ball diamond including new backstop, fencing and benches- to be completed in 2020
 - Weigand Park, 3 ball diamonds
5. Demolition/removal of old asphalt structures (tennis/roller hockey courts) at 6 parks
 - Austin-Dannis, Bates, Jaycee, Miller, Steinhauser, and Shaw Parks
6. Increased attendance at all special events through new activities, advertising, and marketing

CITY OF WARREN PARKS AND RECREATION PARK IMPROVEMENT PRIORITY GRADING

In 2020, Warren Parks and Recreation Department staff members, Dino Turcato, Anthony Casasanta, and Dave Klein enlisted the help of Little Tikes Representative, James Kennedy of Great Lakes Recreation Company to review and grade the amenities within each park. This grading scale analysis was created to aid in the prioritization for improvements based on facility usage and the need for improvements. The scale ranges from (1) being very poor, to (5) being very good. The results of the inventory are found in the table below.

PARKS AND RECREATION PRIORITY GRADING ANALYSIS

CITY PARKS	RESTROOMS	PAVILION	PLAY STRUCTURE	PARK FURNISHINGS	PARKING LOTS	WALKWAYS	BALL FIELDS	USAGE	TOTAL AMOUNT
1. Nicholas W. Altermatt	N/A	N/A	3	2	N/A	2	N/A	3	10
2. Austin Dannis	2	2	3	3	4	N/A	3	3	20
3. Ted Bates	2	N/A	2	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	7
4. Louis J. Burdi	2	3	1	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	4	12
5. Jeanne O. Busse	2	2	1	3	4	2	N/A	3	17
6. Thomas L. Butcher	2	2	3	3	N/A	N/A	2	2	14
7. George P. Eckstein	2	N/A	2	2	1	N/A	1	1	9
8. Eugene B. Groesbeck	4	3	3	2	3	N/A	3	3	21
9. Norman J. Halmich	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	5	19
10. Oscar Hartsig	2	2	5	2	4	N/A	N/A	4	19
11. Jaycee	4	3	3	2	N/A	3	N/A	3	18
12. Frank J. Licht	2	3	2	2	4	3	N/A	5	21
13. Clarence M. McGrath	2	N/A	3	2	N/A	N/A	3	2	12
14. Arthur J. Miller	2	2	2	2	4	2	2	4	20
15. Grace Rentz	N/A	N/A	3	3	N/A	4	N/A	3	13
16. Leo G. Rinke	1	N/A	2	2	N/A	N/A	2	3	10
17. William A. Shaw	4	2	3	2	3	3	2	4	23
18. Clarence J. Steinhauser	1	N/A	1	3	4	4	N/A	3	16
19. Joseph W. Trombley	1	N/A	5	2	3	N/A	N/A	2	13
20. Orba A. Underwood	4	3	3	3	4	N/A	N/A	1	18
21. Veterans Memorial	1	3	2	3	1	2	N/A	3	15
22. Warren Community Center	4	4	4	3	3	3	N/A	5	26
23. Frank Weigand	4	3	3	3	3	N/A	2	4	22
24. Anthony F. Winters	4	4	2	3	3	N/A	2	2	20
25. City Square	4	4	N/A	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	5	17
Grading scale:	[1] Very Poor	[2] Poor	[3] Fair	[4] Good	[5] Very Good				

Table 3: Park Priority Grading Analysis, Provided by City of Warren Parks & Recreation Department 2020

CITY OF WARREN FIVE YEAR ACTION PLAN

- Renovate all parks and recreational facilities using Universal Design principles and adaptive equipment that enhance recreation opportunities for residents and visitors of various levels of physical, cognitive, lingual, auditory, and financial ability.
- Renovate and update all restroom buildings
- Replace old play structures with new universal design structures
- Refurbish all picnic shelters and replace old park furnishings and ball fields
- Create new recreational activities, programs, and facilities within our park system to accommodate the needs of citizens; Disc Golf course, Bicycle Pump Park, Pickle ball courts, expand dog parks
- Work with local agencies for trail connections for Warren and throughout Southeast Michigan
- Expand the Parks and Recreation department staffing to better service the public.

CITY OF WARREN PARKS AND RECREATION PARK IMPROVEMENT ESTIMATED COST

CITY PARKS	RESTROOMS	PAVILION	PLAY STRUCTURE	PARK FURNISHINGS	PARKING LOTS	WALKWAYS	BALL FIELDS	OTHER	TOTAL AMOUNT
1. Nicholas W. Altermatt			\$80,000	\$4,800		\$8,000		\$12,000	\$104,800
2. Austin-Dannis	\$100,000	\$5,000	\$100,000	\$15,000			\$10,200		\$230,200
3. Ted Bates	\$100,000		\$65,000	\$10,000					\$175,000
4. Louis J. Burdi	\$100,000	\$5,000	\$65,000	\$4,000				\$175,000	\$349,000
5. Jeanne O. Busse	\$100,000	\$5,000	\$90,000	\$3,200		\$68,000		\$25,000	\$291,200
6. Thomas L. Butcher	\$100,000	\$5,000	\$110,000	\$2,000			\$24,160		\$241,160
7. George P. Eckstein	\$100,000		\$80,000				\$20,400	\$150,000	\$350,400
8. Eugene B. Groesbeck	\$6,000	\$5,000	\$70,000	\$12,000					\$93,000
9. Norman J. Halmich	\$335,000	\$550,000	\$250,000	\$66,000	\$1,057,500		\$144,000	\$22,000	\$2,424,500
10. Oscar Hartsig	\$100,000	\$35,000		\$9,000					\$144,000
11. Jaycee	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$65,000	\$12,000		\$15,000			\$97,000
12. Frank J. Licht	\$100,000	\$35,000	\$120,000	\$10,000				\$15,000	\$280,000
13. Clarence M. McGrath	\$100,000		\$11,500	\$4,800			\$12,400		\$128,700
14. Arthur J. Miller	\$100,000	\$5,000	\$90,000	\$8,000			\$12,200	\$60,000	\$275,200
15. Grace Rentz			\$80,000	\$3,200					\$83,200
16. Leo G. Rinke	\$100,000		\$80,000	\$8,000			\$12,500		\$200,500
17. William A. Shaw	\$5,000	\$30,000	\$110,000	\$10,000	\$72,000		\$20,200	\$75,000	\$322,200
18. Clarence J. Steinhauer			\$65,000	\$3,600					\$68,600
19. Joseph W. Trombley	\$100,000						\$12,200		\$112,200
20. Orba A. Underwood	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$42,000	\$10,000					\$57,000
21. Veterans Memorial	\$80,000	\$5,000	\$110,000	\$7,000	\$235,800	\$62,000			\$499,800
22. Warren Community Center	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$55,000	\$6,400					\$71,400
23. Frank Weigand	\$5,000		\$100,000	\$10,000	\$25,000		\$150,000		\$290,000
24. Anthony F. Winters	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$90,000	\$3,600			\$10,200		\$118,800
25. City Square	\$5,000							\$110,000	\$115,000
Total Estimated Cost									\$7,122,860

Table 4: Parks and Recreation Improvement Estimated Cost, Provided by City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department 2020

PARK IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE

For 2020, all parks restrooms and pavilions will receive power washing and painting.

Major parks improvements including restroom renovations, and new play structures are scheduled in projected years:

2020

1. Jeanne O. Busse
2. Oscar Hartsig (Renovate comfort station)
 - Volleyball court refurbished 7/19
 - New play structure 11/19
3. Arthur J. Miller
4. Joseph W. Trombley (CDBG Funding, comfort station)
5. Ridgewood (start trail design)

2021

1. Austin Dannis (applying for DNR Passport Grant)
2. Leo G. Rinke (applying for DNR Passport Grant)
3. William Shaw (applying for DNR Passport Grant)
4. Frank J. Licht

2022

1. Thomas L. Butcher
2. Norman J. Halmich (Future DNR Grant Funding Application, with completion of 5 Year Master Plan)
3. Anthony F. Winters

2023

1. Louis J. Burdi (Future DNR Grant Funding Application, with completion of 5 Year Master Plan)
2. Eugene B. Groesbeck
3. Veterans Memorial (Future DNR Grant Funding Application, with completion of 5 Year Master Plan)
4. Clarence J. Steinhauser
5. Frank Wiegand

2024

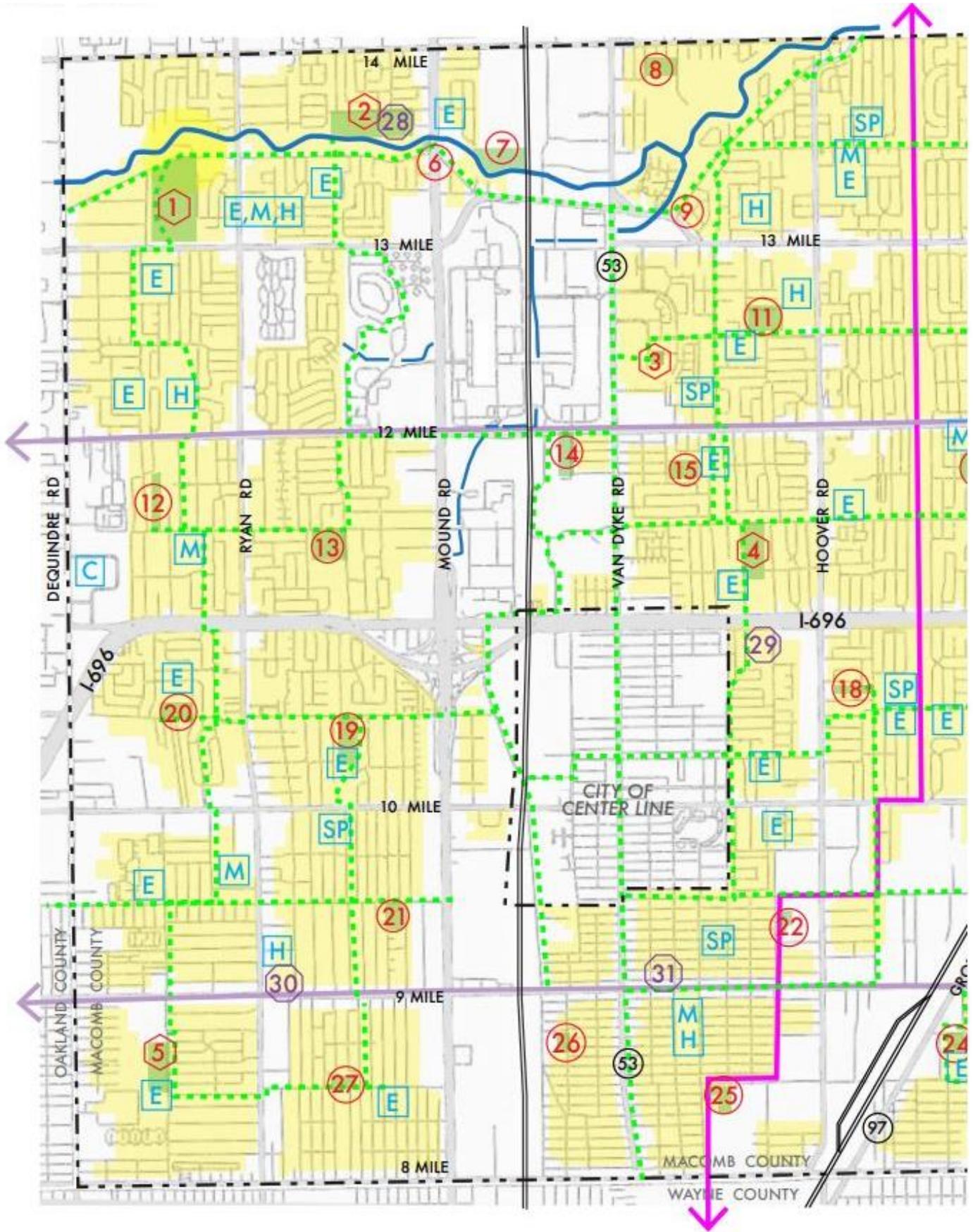
1. Nicholas W. Altermatt
2. Ted Bates
3. Jaycee
4. Warren Community Center

2025

1. George P. Eckstein
2. Clarence M. McGrath
3. Grace Rentz
4. Orba A. Underwood
5. City Square

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CITY OF WARREN RECREATION INVENTORY PROGRAMS, PARKS & FACILITIES



CITY OF WARREN PARKS & RECREATION PLAN



- COMMUNITY PARKS**
1. HALMICH
 2. WARREN COMMUNITY CENTER PARK
 3. CITY SQUARE
 4. VETERANS MEMORIAL
 5. SHAW

- NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS**
6. BEEBE'S CORNER
 7. ECKSTEIN
 8. BATES
 9. KRAFT
 10. MILLER
 11. LICHT
 12. HARTSIG
 13. BUTCHER
 14. BURDI
 15. RINKE
 16. MC GRATH
 17. TROMBLEY
 18. RENTZ
 19. BUSSE
 20. STEINHAUSER
 21. AUSTIN-DANNIS
 22. JAYCEE
 23. UNDERWOOD
 24. WINTERS
 25. WIEGAND
 26. GROESBECK
 27. ALTERMATT

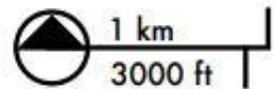
- INDOOR RECREATION CENTERS**
28. WARREN COMMUNITY CENTER
 29. STILWELL MANOR
 30. FITZGERALD
 31. OWEN JAX REC CENTER

- SCHOOLS**
- E ELEMENTARY
 - M/J MIDDLE SCHOOL
 - H SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
 - SP SPECIAL PURPOSE
 - C COLLEGE

- RESIDENTIAL ZONING
- PUBLIC PARK

- CITY BOUNDARIES
- RED RUN DRAIN
- RAILROAD TRACKS

- PROPOSED LOCAL BICYCLE PATH
- PROPOSED COUNTY BICYCLE PATH
- PROPOSED REGIONAL CORRIDOR



LOCAL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

CITY OF WARREN

The City of Warren offers comprehensive, community-wide parks and recreation programs. The characteristics of the facilities and services available to City residents are described as follows. Parks and Forestry staff conducted an inventory of existing local facilities and the physical inventory of existing local and regional facilities. The physical inventory of local facilities consisted of site analysis of all City of Warren parks and recreation sites. An inventory of playground equipment and park facilities was recorded regarding location, acreage, quantity, and accessibility. Additionally, a wide variety of recreation facilities provided by several different organizations are available to Warren residents. Recreational providers include Macomb County, City of Warren, the five school districts that serve the City, and various private businesses.

CITY PARKS

The City of Warren owns, operates, and maintains a total of 31 park sites. These include five community parks, twenty neighborhood parks and the development of two additional neighborhood parks. These parks occupy approximately 350 acres of land. Community Parks are considered major parks and typically contain a wide variety of recreation facilities to meet the diverse needs of residents from several neighborhoods in a 3-5-mile radius. Community Parks may include areas for intense recreational facilities, such as athletic complexes and swimming pools. These parks usually contain other facilities not commonly found in neighborhood parks such as nature areas, special features, and concession facilities. Neighborhood parks range in acreage from 2.6 acres (Altermatt Park) to 74 acres (Halmich Park). They typically serve neighborhoods in a 1/4 - 1/2-mile radius.

The parks are relatively evenly distributed throughout the City. The Four quadrants of the City contain approximately six parks each. The distribution of parks is important, especially in an urbanized community like Warren that is divided into identifiable neighborhoods by the numerous transportation corridors that cross the City.

INDOOR RECREATION CENTERS

The Warren Parks and Recreation Department operates four indoor recreation centers:

- Fitzgerald Recreation Center, a 50±-year-old structure, located at the intersection of Nine Mile Road and Ryan Road in the southwest quadrant of the City. The building includes a gym, stage, kitchen, and meeting room. It is used for a combination of senior citizen and youth activities. It was renovated in 2008.
- Owen Jax Recreation Center; is located to the east on Nine Mile Road, between Automobile and Federal Avenue on a 3± acre site. This facility was opened in 1991 and was formerly the site of a church. The two-story building offers 18,418 square feet of floor area. The main floor includes a large, multi-purpose meeting room, flanked on both sides by a series of smaller multi-purpose rooms. A kitchen is located at one end of the building. The second floor is occupied by a gymnasium, suitable for basketball, volleyball, and similar indoor athletic events. Activities offered at this site include arts and craft classes, athletic events for teenagers, a senior citizen drop-in center and teen center.
- Stilwell Manor is a Senior Citizen housing complex. This facility is located in the Hoover and 1-696 area. The Warren Parks and Recreation Department runs senior programs and activities from this site.
- The Warren Community Center is located to the west of Mound Road between Chicago Road and 14 Mile Road on a 38.6-acre site. The site was purchased in 1998 and was formerly a high school in the Warren Consolidated School District. This facility is the gem of the Department.



Parks and Facility Features

CITY PARKS	Picnic Area	Pavilion	Capacity	Electricity	Restrooms	Play Structure	Walking Path	Ball Fields	Soccer Fields	Volleyball	Basketball	Tennis Courts	Special Features
1. Nicholas W. Altermatt	•					•	•						
2. Austin Dannis	•	1	34	•	•	•		1	1		2		RH
3. Ted Bates	•					•	•	1					
4. Louis J. Burdi	•	1	34	•	•	•			2				D
5. Jeanne O. Busse	•	1	34	•	•	•	•		1				
6. Thomas L. Butcher	•	1	75	•	•	•		2					
7. George P. Eckstein	•				•	•		2	1				
8. Eugene B. Groesbeck	•	1	50	•	•	•	•	1			1		
9. Norman J. Halmich	•	2	100/500	•	•	•	•	6	6	1	1	6	
10. Oscar Hartsig	•	1	75	•	•	•			2	2			
11. Jaycee	•	1	34	•	•	•	•						
12. Frank J. Licht	•	1	75	•	•	•	•						
13. Clarence M. McGrath	•				•	•		1	1				
14. Arthur J. Miller	•	1	75	•	•	•		1	1		2		RH
15. Grace Rentz						•							
16. Leo G. Rinke	•				•	•		2	1				
17. William A. Shaw	•	1	75	•	•	•		2	1				
18. Clarence J. Steinhauer	•				•	•	•	1					RH
19. Joseph W. Trombley	•				•	•		1					
20. Orba A. Underwood	•	1	34	•	•	•	•						
21. Veterans Memorial	•	2	34/75	•	•	•	•			1			
22. Warren Community Center	•	2	34	•	•	•	•		6		2		RH, B&P
23. Frank Weigand	•	1	150	•	•	•	•	3					
24. Anthony F. Winters	•	1	48	•	•	•	•	1					
25. City Square	•	1	32		•	•							F&AI
26. Owen Jax	•	1	24	•		•	•						
27. Kraft													
28. Essex													
29. Ridgewood													
30. Beebe													
31. Burnett	•				•	•	•						HA

Special Features Key			
B= Boogie Courts	F= Fountains/Splash Pad	A= Artificial Ice Rink	HA= Handicap Accessible
P= Pool (Indoor Aquatic Center)	D= Dog Park	RH= Roller Hockey	

32. Owen Jax Recreation Center
8207 E. Nine Mile
586-757-7480 Fax 586-757-0608

34. Warren Community Center
Sports Department,
Aquatic & Fitness Center
5460 Arden
586-268-8400 Fax 586-268-8409

36. Fitzgerald
Recreation Center
4355 Nine Mile Road
586-759-0920

33. Stilwell Manor
26600 Burg
586-758-1300

35. Transportation Office
5440 Arden
586-268-0551 Fax 586-268-0606

Figure 10: City of Warren Recreation Inventory, Provided by the City of Warren Parks & Recreation Department 2020

WARREN SCHOOLS

WARREN SCHOOLS + PARKS AND RECREATION

Schools have traditionally played an important role in meeting local recreation needs, especially at the neighborhood level. This is especially true in Warren, where elementary schools were originally located near the center of a one-square mile neighborhood, often adjacent to a neighborhood park owned and operated by the City. In addition to expanding the total area available for recreation purposes, school buildings also provide valuable indoor recreation space that can be used for City programming purposes. Six school districts serve the City of Warren. Each district cooperates with the Parks and Recreation Department relative to the delivery of recreation services and facilities to Warren residents. The level of involvement varies among districts, depending, in large part, on the size of the district and the number of school sites located in the City.

The Parks and Recreation Department uses many school sites for a variety of programming purposes. For example, school gymnasiums and ball fields are regularly used for league sporting events, such as basketball and baseball. There are many other examples of similar cooperative arrangements between these two recreation providers. Because of this close relationship, there is a compelling need to involve the school districts in any long-range planning for future recreation improvements. Cooperation among all recreation providers offers an opportunity to expand the range of recreational services available to Warren residents. Failure to do so could result in overlapping responsibilities and an unnecessary duplication of effort. With these concerns in mind, we conducted focus groups and distributed surveys at two schools.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

All six school districts offer some form of adult community education or vocational education programs. While the scope of these services varies from district to district, examples of commonly offered programs include adult high school completion, pre-school, and senior citizen programs. In some instances, these programs are operated jointly by several school districts. For example, the Van Dyke, Warren Woods, and Center Line Districts form a consortium that provides vocational educational services.

Eastpointe cooperates with four other districts on the east side of Macomb County to provide similar services. Warren Consolidated is in consortium, which collaborates with other Macomb Counties Adult Education programs for job training. Continued involvement of these school districts in community education programs has resulted in a duplication of effort with respect to similar programs offered by the Warren Parks and Recreation Department. Any such duplication should be avoided whenever possible. Monitoring of programs offered by the school districts and continued cooperation between recreation providers is necessary to ensure that duplication is avoided.

BUILDING USAGE

Each school district permits the use of school buildings and sites by the Warren Recreation Department. The use of school buildings is an important component of the City's overall recreation program, especially in light of the fact that the City's indoor recreation centers are not large or numerous enough to accommodate the demand for gymnasiums or other indoor facilities. Generally, the Recreation Department has second priority after school needs are met. In 1998, the Warren City Council along with five school districts in Warren and one in Eastpointe approved a "Joint Agreement for Use of Facilities." This agreement was to provide a uniform procedure for the Warren Parks and Recreation Department's request for building usage from each school district. Even with this policy, coordinating the use of more than three dozen individual school sites is difficult. Frequently it is necessary to clear the use of buildings with individual principals. Because of the number of parties involved, coordination on this scale is a significant undertaking. Any efforts to streamline this process would result in a better use of school sites for recreation purposes.

A related problem involves the closing of school buildings due to demographic changes impacting Warren. Building closures and their subsequent sale diminishes the inventory of facilities that are potentially available for recreation purposes. All six districts indicated they have cooperative working arrangements with the Recreation Department. Further, they have indicated a desire to expand the range of cooperative activities. Both comments offer the opportunity to build on a strong foundation of cooperation that currently exists.

CITY OF WARREN PUBLIC SCHOOL RECREATION INVENTORY AS OF 2015

SCHOOL FACILITIES	Acreage	Playground Equipment	Baseball / Softball	Soccer	Basketball	Tennis	Swimming	Gym/Multi-purpose	Football / Track	Winter Community Center	Summer Playground	Basketball Leagues	Volleyball Leagues	Tennis Instruction	Open Recreation	Other Programs
WARREN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS																
Wilde Elementary	14	X	X	X	X			X		X	X					X
Siersma Elementary	9	X	X		X			X			X					X
Butcher Education Center	15				X						X	X				X
Carter Junior High	20		X	X				X	X			X	X		X	X
Wilkerson Elementary	9	X		X	X			X		X	X				X	
Green Acres Elementary	15	X	X	X				X		X	X				X	X
Pearl Lean Elementary	11	X	X	X				X		X						X
Mott Senior High	48		X			X	X	X	X					X		X
Cromie Elementary	15	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X	
Cousino Senior High	45	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X	
Beer Junior High	19	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X		X		X	
FITZGERALD SCHOOLS																
Westview Elementary	18		X	X	X	X					X	X			X	
Chatterton Middle School	29	X		X	X			X	X							
Schofield Elementary	17			X		X										
Mound Park Elementary	3	X						X			X	X				
Fitzgerald Senior High	18		X	X			X	X						X		X
CENTERLINE SCHOOLS																
Roose Elementary	3	X	X		X			X		X	X					
Crothers Elementary	5	X	X		X			X		X	X					X
Peck Elementary	7	X	X	X	X			X		X	X					X

VAN DYKE SCHOOLS																
Kennedy Elementary	3	X	X		X			X		X	X					
Washington Elementary	3	X			X			X		X	X					X
Lincoln Senior High	3	X	X					X		X						
Lincoln Junior High	16		X			X	X	X	X					X		X
McKinley Elementary	3	X	X		X			X		X	X				X	X
Carlson Elementary	7	X						X		X	X					
EAST DETROIT SCHOOLS																
Crescentwood Elementary	14	X	X		X			X		X	X					X
Roosevelt Elementary	10	X	X					X		X						X
WARREN WOODS SCHOOLS																
Warren Woods Tower High	44	X	X	X			X	X	X							X
Briarwood Elementary	5	X	X	X				X		X	X				X	
Enterprise Adult Education	25		X	X			X	X	X					X		
Westwood Elementary	6															X
Pinewood Elementary	5	X	X							X	X					X

Table 5: City of Warren Public School Recreation Inventory, 2015

PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS

The Warren Parks and Recreation Department offers year-round recreational programs, including baseball, ice skating, softball, basketball, volleyball, swimming, arts and crafts, music, theater, dancing, bowling, and special events. All the special events held in the past year have been a huge success with residents. There are programs geared toward all age groups: young children, teens, adults, and senior citizens. The parks and recreation department also offers a variety of programs to the special-needs community. Below are some of the activities and events offered through the Warren Parks and Recreation Department:

PROGRAMS OFFERED TO CHILDREN

- Owen Jax After: School Programs &
- Piano Lessons
- Suzuki Violin Lessons
- 1st - 3rd Grade
- Basketball Clinic
- Parent-Tot Class
- Knapp School of Dance
- Karate Lessons
- Gymnastics
- Warren Soccer Academy
- Tennis Lessons
- Youth Soccer League
- Baseball/Softball
- Theatre Camp
- Swimming Lessons

PROGRAMS OFFERED TO TEENS:

- Owen Jax After: School Programs &
- Karate Lessons
- Gymnastics
- Tennis Lessons
- Baseball/Softball
- Theatre Camp
- Swimming Lessons

PROGRAMS OFFERED TO ADULTS:

- Parent-Tot Class
- Tai Chi
- Adult Karate
- Volleyball
- Pickle Ball
- Adult Aerobic Classes
- Body/Core Strength Training
- Yoga with Jeanie
- Fencing Class
- Lap Swimming
- Water Exercise
- Swimming Lessons

PROGRAMS OFFERED TO THE SENIOR COMMUNITY:

- Yoga with Jeanie
- Lap Swimming
- Water Exercise
- Swimming Lessons
- Transportation Services
- Nutrition Program
- Bingo
- Pinochle Tournaments
- Gym Walking
- Country Cuzzins Beginner Line Dancing
- Senior Citizen Exercise Classes @WCC
- Ernie Clark' s POWERSIT
- Woodcarving

PROGRAMS OFFERED TO THE SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNITY:

- Basketball League
- Boccie League Social
- Holiday dances
- Inclusive Family Zumba (new this fall)
- Softball League
- Karate
- Karaoke
- Friday Night Movie Night
- Social Groups

SPECIAL EVENTS PROGRAMMING BY SEASON:**WINTER**

- Christmas Events: Christmas Tree Coloring Contest; Tree Lighting Ceremony; and Senior Christmas Parties
- Ice skating at City Square Ice Rink in the months of December through February
- Cold Rush: Ice Sculptures; Ice Dance teams; Live music; Petting zoo; and putt-putt golf
- Daddy-Daughter Dinner Dance; February at the City Square Atrium
- 50th Anniversary Sweetheart Dinner Dance honoring Warren residents who have been married for 50+ years

SPRING

- Family Spring Carnival: Petting farm; moonwalk; visit with the Easter Bunny; carnival games; special
- 80 and over luncheon honoring all Warren residents 80 years and older at the Ukrainian Cultural Center
- Farmers Market at City Square May through October. Sundays 9am to 2pm

SUMMER

- Dancing and Play in the City Square water fountain
- Warren Birthday Bash last week in August: Live music; racing pigs; petting zoo; frisbee dogs; food and
- Movies at the Square: Usually six (6) movies all summer-long

FALL

- Harvest Treat in October at City Square: Free pumpkins; hayrides; mechanical bull rides; cider & donuts & Farmer's market

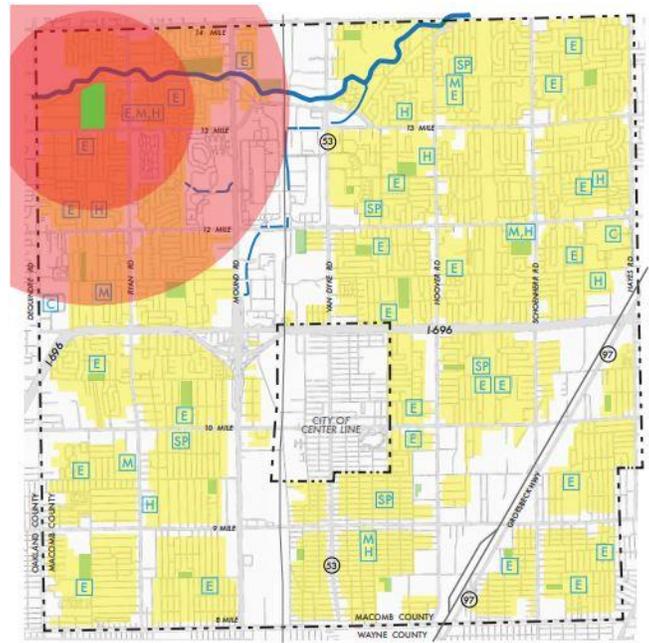


HALMICH PARK

Community Park 74 acres
3001 E. 13 Mile Road, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 12: Halmich Park Playground, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1$ mile $r = 2$ miles

Figure 11: Halmich Park Location Map

HALMICH PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This park occupies a 74-acre site, extending approximately one-half mile in depth between 13 Mile Road and Chicago Road. The park includes six baseball/softball diamonds with lights, scoreboards, and irrigation; ten soccer fields with irrigation; six tennis courts with lights; two picnic shelters; open play areas; and assorted playground equipment. A large, paved parking area is available along 13 Mile Road and north of the large pavilion. Halmich is the City's most heavily used and programmed facility, especially for organized league athletic events.

Changes completed at the Halmich site include a rearrangement of the soccer field occupying the north end of the park and enclosing the existing drain that crosses this portion of the park. This improvement allowed for the realignment of existing fields and the addition of a fifth and sixth soccer field to accommodate increased demands for league play. Additional parking was also added at the north end of the park, in proximity to the soccer fields added in 1994. Additional playground equipment was needed considering the heavy usage of the site. Two new playground structures were installed at this site in 1992, and a third was added in 1993. An ADA accessible "farm structure" was added in 2005.

Heavy usage of the park exceeds the designed capacity. Warren Community Center Park helps to alleviate this problem with its additional soccer fields. Landscaped screening is needed between the ball diamonds and the adjoining single-family homes located along the eastern boundary of the park. Additionally, based on feedback from surveys and focus groups, providing wi-fi to park users is an amenity that can increase park usability. Also, additional, and improved lighting is recommended.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 6
 LOCATED IN THE SW 1/4 SEC. 6
 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1306402002 & L1306451001
 COMM. AT S 1\4 POST SEC. 6; TH. N 600 FT.; TH. N 89°05'E 43 FT. TO P.O.B.; TH. N 1617.30 FT. TO CEN. LINE OF CHICAGO RD.; TH. N 62°46'E 831.77 FT. TO E & W 1/4 LINE SEC. 6; TH. N 89°25'E 487.97 FT. ALG. APPARENT CEN. LINE CHICAGO RD.; TH. S 01°10'E 2560.61 FT. ALG. W LINE S.P. RIVARDS ESTATES SUB; TH. S 88°05'W 948.40 FT. ALG. 13 MILE RD.; TH. N 600FT.; TH. S 88°05'W 332 FT. TO P.O.B. 66.391 ACRES
 ALSO COM. AT S 1/4 POST SEC. 6; TH. N 88°05'E 43 FT. TO P.O.B.; TH. N 600 FT. ALG. E SIDE LINE OF WARNER ST.; TH. N 88°05'E 332 FT.; TH. S 600 FT.; TH. N 88°05'W 332 FT. ALG. 13 MILE RD. TO P.O.B. 4.573 ACRES

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 13: Halmich Park Amenities Map

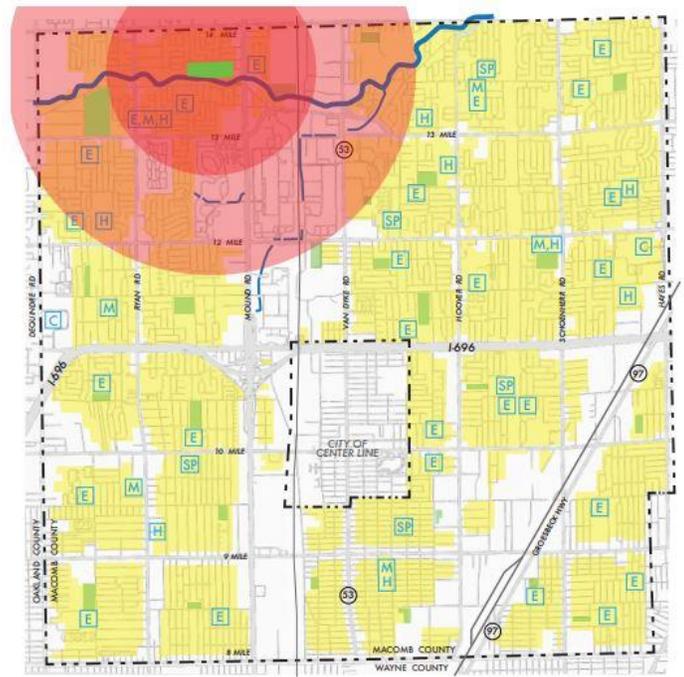


WARREN COMMUNITY CENTER PARK

Community Park 48.6 acres
5460 Arden Avenue, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 15: Community Center Park, Google Street view, 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1$ mile $r = 2$ miles

Figure 14: Warren Community Center Location Map

WARREN COMMUNITY CENTER PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Warren Community Center Park is a 48.6-acre site located in the northwest quadrant of the city west of Mound Road. Parking lots are available off Arden Road and off Murtha Avenue. The location also facilitates the new Warren Community Center that houses the Warren Parks and Recreation main office. The park amenities include: two comfort stations, a large playground structure, two basketball courts, roller hockey court, 8 soccer fields, a football stadium and a 1.25-mile walking/bike path that surrounds the entire park. This park helps alleviate the problem of overcrowding at Halmich Park.

This park currently has a large play structure, two picnic shelters with comfort stations, twelve irrigated soccer fields, one irrigated football stadium with lights and a track, large, paved parking areas, walking path, basketball courts and roller hockey courts. The new facility is rapidly outgrowing its parking lot and there is a need for additional parking. Extensive renovation needs to be done to the stadium with artificial turf to maximize its potential use. Repairs also need to be done with the Hockey Rink.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 8 PART OF LOT 12 & A PART OF NW 1/4 SEC 5, DESC AS FOLLOWS;
 COMM AT CEN POST SEC 5 ; TH N89°27'00"E 16.49 FT;
 TH N0°17'45"E 339.67 FT; TH S86°59'50"W 152.18 FT; TH N00°17'45"E 120.43 FT TO POB;
 TH N00°17'45"E 811.22 FT; TH S89°41'20"E 1133.01 FT;
 TH S00°15'55"W 928.99 FT; TH N79°34'05"W 101.60 FT; TH N77°15'30"W 102.42 FT; TH N79°51'49"W 474.06 FT;
 TH S82°56'00"W 466.41 FT TO POB;
 SUBJECT TO A PERPETUAL EASEMENT FOR RED RUN DRAIN OVER & ACROSS THE S END OF ABOVE DESC. ALSO ARDEN ARBOR SUB. LOT 19 TO 24 INCL, WHICH INCLUDES THAT PART OF VAC 11 TH STREET LYING BETWEEN LOTS 20 & 21 ALSO ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 8 PART OF LOT 11 BLOCK 8 OF ASSESSORS ADDITION DESC AS FOLLOWS;
 COMM AT NE COR SEC 5; TH S88°25'00"W 1263.08 FT; TH S00°38'00"E 1932.93 FT TO POB;
 TH S00°48'00"E 648.94 FT; TH S88°21'00"W 546.44 FT; TH N01°18'00"E 652.80 FT;
 TH N88°12'00"E 543.63 FT TO POB
 EXC SWLY .36 ACRES FOR RED RUN DRAIN EASEMENT ALSO ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 8 W 30 FT OF LOT 19 EXC N 345 FT ALSO E 60 FT OF W 655.5 FT OF LOT 19 EXC N 345 FT; ALSO S 60 FT OF N 651.8 FT OF LOT 19 EXC W 655.5 FT ALSO EXC SLY PARCEL
 OF SEVENTH STREET CONT 0.08 AC FOR RED RUN DRAIN EASEMENT ALSO ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 8 E 565.5 FT OF W 595.5 FT OF LOT 19 EXC N 345 FT ALSO EXC 0.16 ACRES FOR RED RUN DRAIN EASEMENT
 ALSO ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 8 E 239.00 FT OF W 894.50 FT OF LOT 19, EXC N 651.80 FT
 ALSO ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 8 PART OF LOT 10 DESC AS BEG AT NW COR LOT 10; TH N87°51'00"E 990.00 FT; TH S62°55'00"W 204.00 FT; TH S81°20'00"W 176.7 FT; TH S57°55'00"W 144.2 FT; TH S80°56'00"W 332.4 FT; TH N80°10'00"W 183.6 FT; TH N00°32'30"W 180.00 FT TO POB

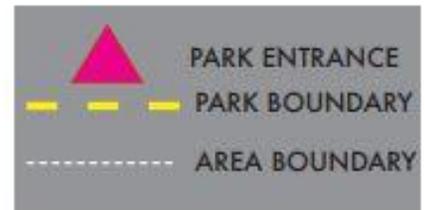


Figure 16: Warren Community Center Park Amenities Map

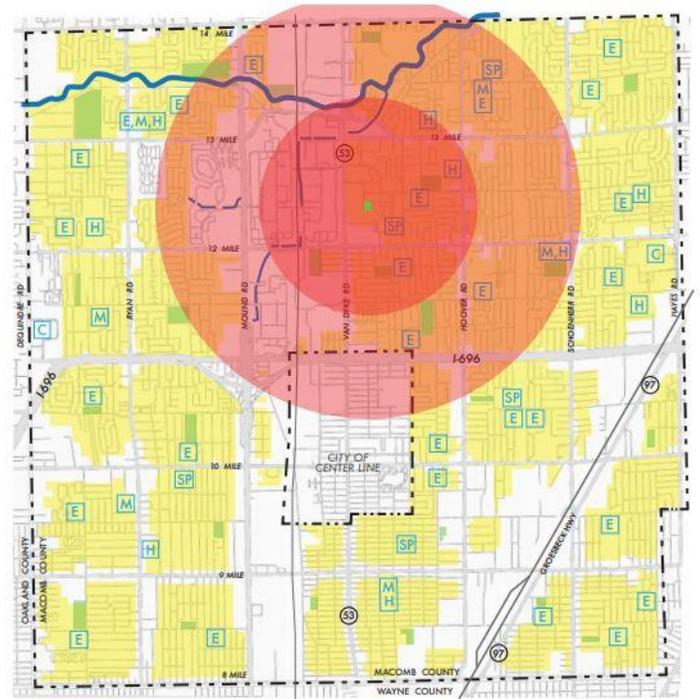


CITY SQUARE PARK

Community Park 2 acres
 One City Square, Warren, MI 48093



Figure 17: Fountain at City Square Park, miwarren.org



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1$ mile $r = 2$ miles

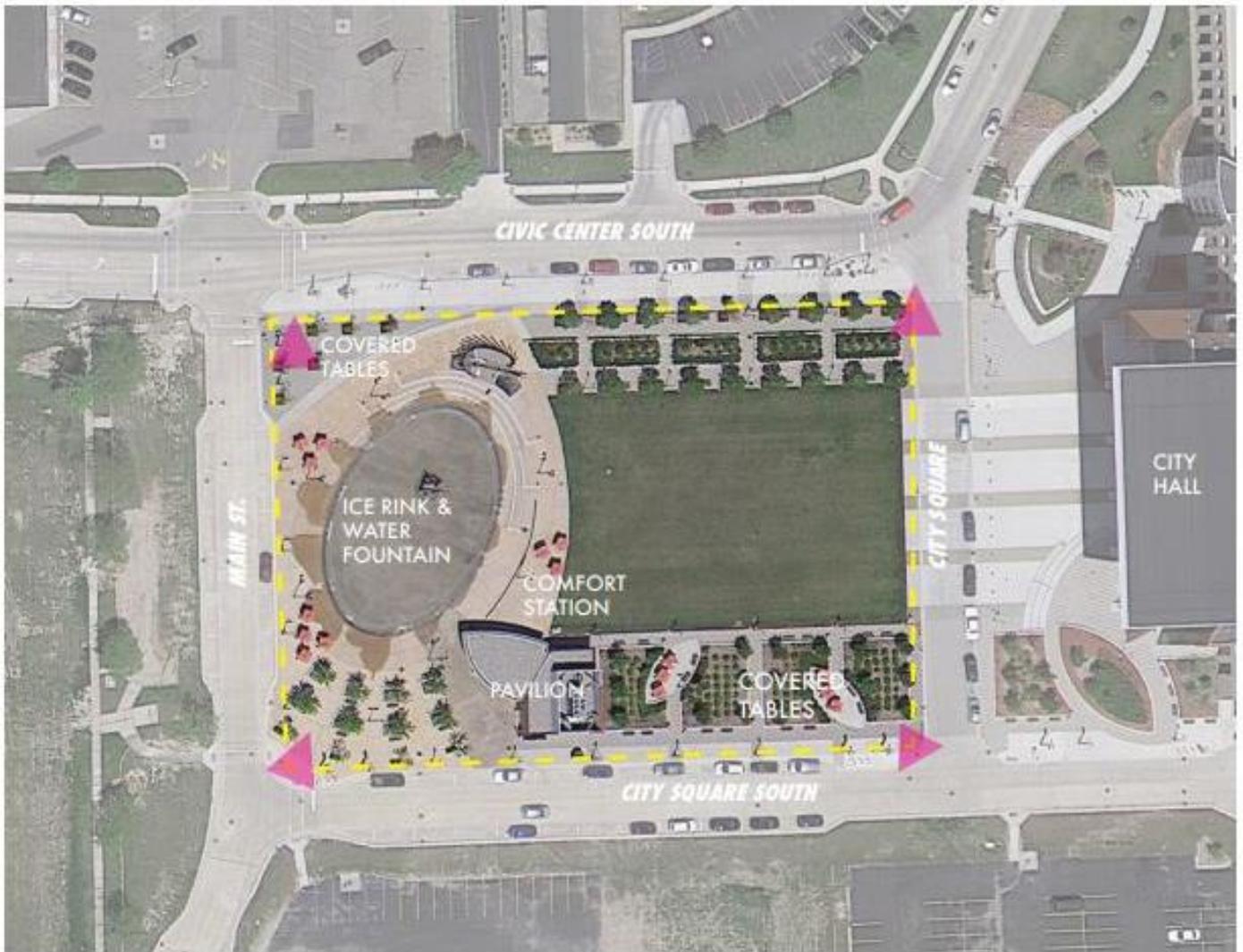
Figure 18: City Square Park Location Map

CITY SQUARE PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This park is the site of City Hall and the Main Library. It is on a 2-acre site, but it is the location of many major special events held in the City of Warren. The Farmers Market is an attraction that was added in 2007. Thousands of Warren residents and visitors from surrounding areas visit City Square to attend the events and enjoy the water fountain in the summer and ice skating in the winter. This park has an adjacent parking garage, water fountain/ice skating rink, walking paths, concessions and warming area, benches, landscaping, and is centrally located in the City of Warren. This facility was opened in the Spring of 2006.

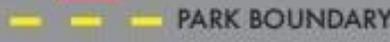
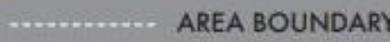
The park offers adequate amounts of barrier-free parking on the street and in the parking garage. It also offers barrier-free restrooms in the pavilion.

City Square Park has huge potential to expand to accommodate special events, such as the farmer's market as well as other festivities. An additional pavilion or shelter could expand the usage and programming of the farmer's market and the ice rink.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 10
 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 LOCATED IN THE S 1/2 OF NW 1.3 OF SW1/4, 2 ACRES .

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY

 130 ft




Figure 19: City Square Park Amenities Map

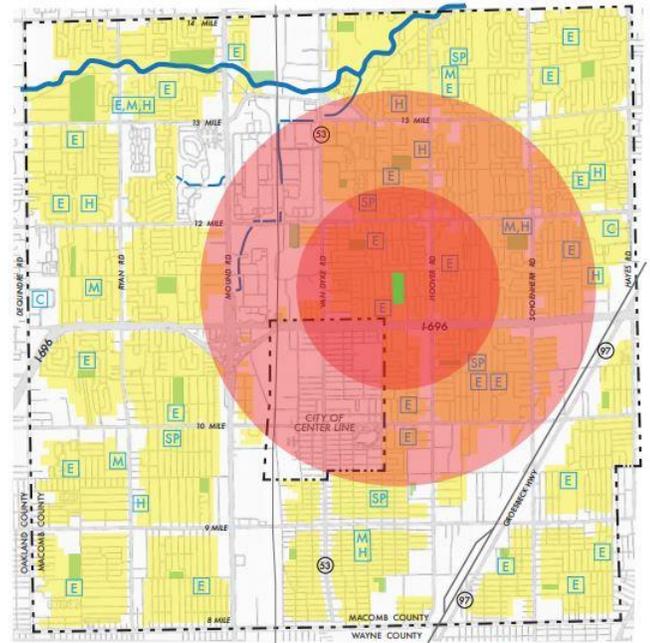


VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK

Community Park 22 acres
27400 Campbell Road, Warren, MI 48903



Figure 21: Veteran's Memorial Park Signage, DTP 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1$ mile $r = 2$ miles

Figure 20: Veteran's Memorial Park Location Map

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Veterans Memorial Park is a 22-acre park located near the center of the City, north of I-696, between Van Dyke and Hoover. Access to the park is available along Martin Road and Campbell Road, where the parking lot is located at the southern end of the park. Other facilities located at this park include shuffleboard courts, horseshoe pits, playground equipment, and wooded picnic area. A paved walkway extends from Martin Road south to the pool complex.

Additional parking is available on Martin Road. to accommodate park users interested in taking advantage of those facilities located near the north end of the park. Veterans Memorial Park is widely used for family picnics. A parking lot with a capacity of between 25 and 30 cars made this area more accessible and useful. A new pavilion was also added to the wooded area. In 2002, a large theme-oriented play structure was added.

Improvements made to the park expand the range of facilities available at this site, including two sand volleyball courts, additional grills, and picnic tables, one additional playground structure, and a pavilion and restroom structure. The central location of this park is ideal logistically to develop programming opportunities for disabled children. Some ideas generated through focus groups and surveys include a sensory garden and a "field of dreams" baseball field.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 15 LOCATED IN THE SE 1/4 SEC. 15 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 LOT 8 EXC. N 43 FT. FOR HWY. PURP. AND LOTS 9, 10, 11 AND THE NORTH 187.31 FT. OF LOT 12 OF THE LEWIS I. CARRIER CLOVERLY SUBD.

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY

500 ft



Figure 22: Veteran's Memorial Park Amenities Map

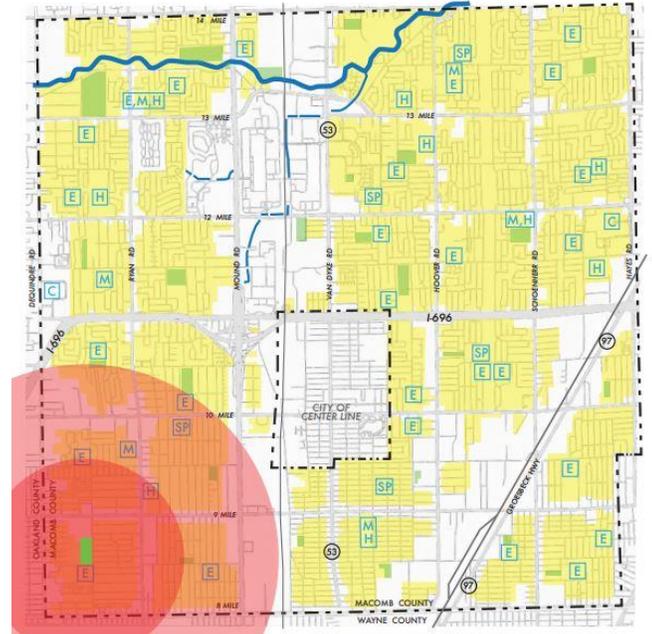


SHAW PARK

Community Park 20 acres
22101 Warner Avenue, Warren, MI 48091



Figure 24: Shaw Park play structure, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1$ mile $r = 2$ miles

Figure 23: Shaw Park Location Map

SHAW PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Shaw Park occupies a 20-acre site and is one of Warren's community parks in the southwestern part of Warren, between Dequindre and Ryan Roads, south of 9 Mile Road. Shaw is a well-planned park, containing a good variety of equipment and facilities. Schofield School adjoins the park to the south, thereby expanding the quantity of open space and recreation facilities available to the community. Shaw Park provides many mature trees, soccer fields, picnic areas, a pavilion, comfort station, and walking paths.

The City has attempted to acquire 20 acres of land that is adjacent to the West Side of the park through a donation or a gift. If the City is successful in accomplishing this goal it could potentially become the second largest park in the City and would have a major effect on the future development of this park. Expanding park sites in this manner follows the master plan and goals of the City.

A large new play structure was added in 1999. The site is large enough to accommodate a pedestrian path system, linking various park facilities together and connecting the park to the adjoining school site.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 31
 LOCATED IN THE NW 1/4 SEC. 31 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 COMM. AT N 1/4 POST SEC. 31; TH. S 1236.60 FT.
 TO P.O.B.; TH S 89°48' E659.26 FT.
 TO P.O.B. SUB. TO RELEASE FOR BEAR CREEK DRAIN R.O.W. OF
 3.015 ACRES
 GROSS ACREAGE 21.19 ACRES
 NET ACREAGE 18.175 ACRES

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 25: Shaw Park Amenities Map

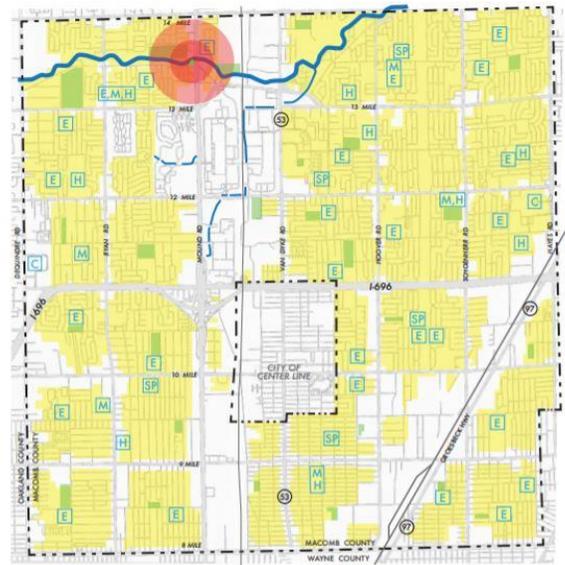


BEEBE'S CORNER

Neighborhood Park 0.35 acres
 31933 Mound Road, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 27: Rendering of Beebe's Corner Park, DTP 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 26: Adopted map of Beebe's Corner Park (City of Warren)

BEEBE'S CORNER AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

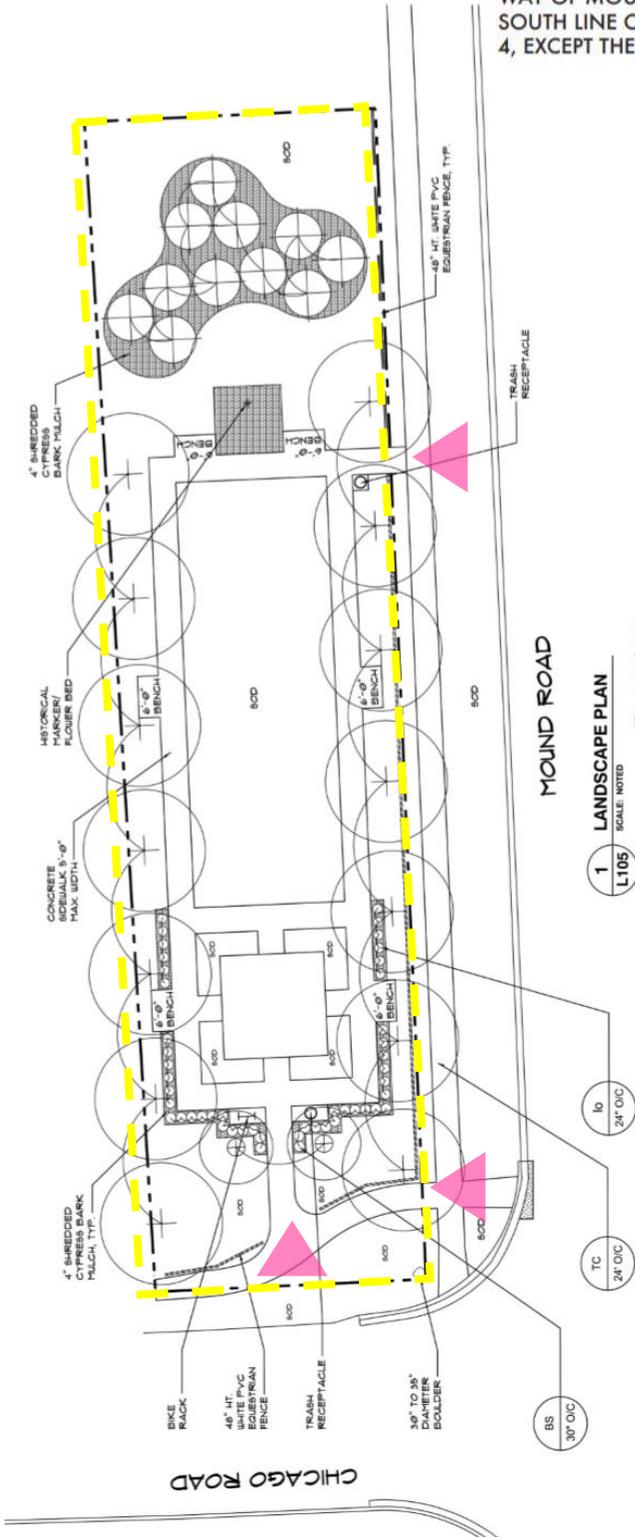
Beebe's Park is a small parcel of land that was recently acquired by the Warren Parks Department development. The creation of this park follows an existing recommendation from the Warren Parks and Recreation Master Plan, to acquire additional acreage of park space. It is located at the northwest corner of Chicago and Mound. Beebe's Corner is currently in development to serve as a neighborhood pocket park. Several Village of Warren neighborhood focus groups have met and discussed what they envision for the development of Beebe's Park.

Based on the results of the focus groups, Beebe's Corner is being developed as pedestrian oriented, neighborhood park. The proposed concept plan is centered around programming that incorporates an educational aspect of the history of the City of Warren. The Parks department is looking to partner with local businesses to raise funds for its development. A possible long-term goal for this park would be to expand a pedestrian bridge across Mound Rd. Above and to the right are some of the proposed concepts envisioned for the park.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 5

PART OF LOT 3, BLOCK 8, ASSESSOR'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF WARREN ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 4, PAGE 58 OF PLATS, MACOMB COUNTY RECORDS, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 3; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 3, 225.8 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 4; THENCE EAST AND BEING A CONTINUATION OF THE NORTH LINE LOT 4, 13.18 FEET OF NEW RIGHT OF WAY OF MOUND ROAD; THENCE SOUTH ALONG WEST LINE OF MOUND ROAD 22.57 FEET TO SOUTH LINE OF LOT 3; THENCE WEST 8.9 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALSO ALL OF LOT 4, EXCEPT THE NORTHERLY .08 ACRES RED RUN DRAIN EASEMENT.



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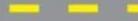
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Figure 28: Beebe's Corner Amenities Map



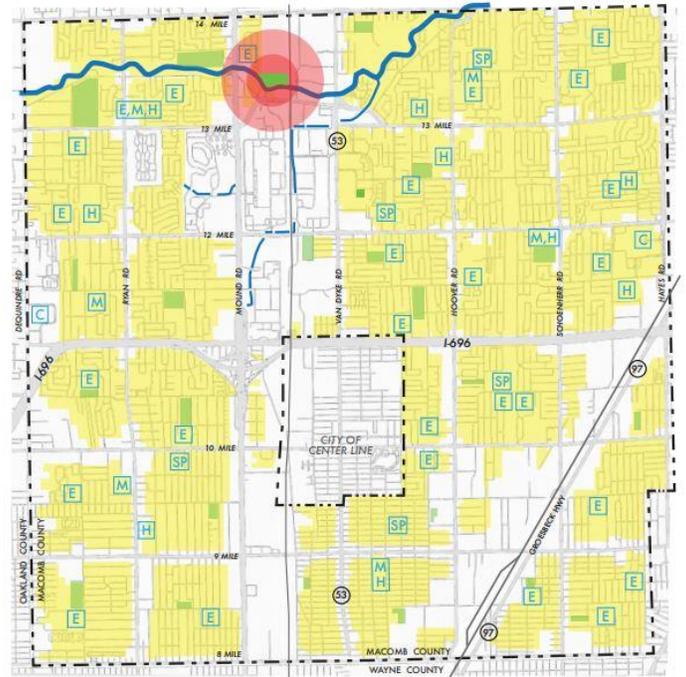


ECKSTEIN PARK

Neighborhood Park 16.6 acres
31810 Davy Road, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 30: Eckstein Park playground, DTP 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 29: Eckstein Park Location Map

ECKSTEIN PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Eckstein is a 16.6-acre park, located on the north side of the Red Run Drain, west of the Conrail Railroad tracks. This park has a very limited walk on service area because of its location within the Mound Road industrial corridor. The park is, however, heavily used by St. Anne's Catholic Church and School. Many of the students at St. Anne's School are City residents. St. Anne's has been an active partner in the improvement and maintenance of this park.

The park is heavily used daily by children at St. Anne's School, but has the potential to attract a wide variety of user, due to the location. Currently on site there is a comfort station, a small play area and open space for soccer. Eckstein Park is one of the few parks that is not surrounded by a neighborhood.

There is no signage at the park, although there is wayfinding signage directing visitors to the park. A total redevelopment that includes many improvements are planned for this park, pending available funds. Desired improvements include: walking path, redeveloped ballfield with lights, fencing, paved parking lot, trees, landscaping, concession stand with restrooms, roller and ice hockey, restroom and warming area, skateboard area, playscape, batting cage, fountain, maintenance building, and miscellaneous electrical lighting.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 4, SW 1/4
 ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 7 ALL THAT PART OF LOT 12 LYING N & E OF RED RUN DRAIN
 EXC. SWLY 4.7796 ACRES FOR RED RUN DRAIN EASEMENT 3.6453 ACRES

ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 7 ALL THAT PART OF LOT 14 LYING N OF RED RUN DRAIN
 EXC. SLY 0.6004 ACRES FOR RED RUN DRAIN EASEMENT 1.0757 ACRES

ASSESSORS ADDITION BLOCK 7 ALL THAT PART OF LOT 18 LYING N OF THE CEN. LINE OF THE
 RED RUN DRAIN; EXC. COMM. AT NE COR. LOT 18;
 TH. S 0°38'40" E 530.52 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. S 0°38'40" E 60 FT; TH. N 75°51'10" W 15.51 FT;
 TH. N 0°38'40" W 56.04 FT; TH. N 89°21'20" E 15 FT.
 TO P.O.B.; INCL. RED RUN EASEMENT ACREAGE
 6.85 ACRES

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY


 250 ft



Figure 31: Eckstein Park Amenities Map

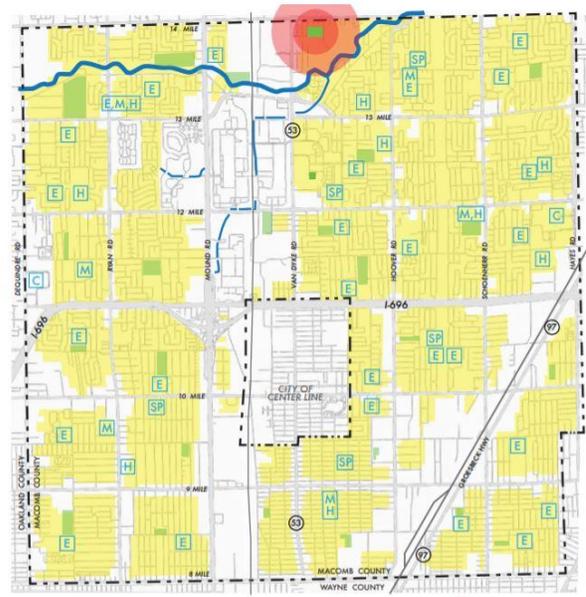


BATES PARK

Neighborhood Park 10 acres
 32601 Warkop, Warren MI 48093



Figure 33: Bates Park Play Structure, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 32: Bates Park Location Map

BATES PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Bates Park is located one block south of 14 Mile Road, Warren's northern boundary, and east of Van Dyke Road. This park has an inviting appearance due, in large part, to the large number of mature trees found on this site. Family picnics are a popular use for this park. One new playground structure was installed in 1992. Additional landscaping was also completed around the Recreation Department Maintenance Building, especially at the west end of the parking lot which serves as an entrance to the park.

The service area of Bates Park is limited by several factors, the most obvious of which is the presence of the Red Run Drain which divides the neighborhood and the Warren Wastewater Treatment Plant. Another limiting factor is the lack of continuity in the neighborhood street system, which is not continuous, further limiting access to the park for those neighborhood residents living south of Trembleton Street. This access is needed because of the number of families with young children that live in the neighborhood and the smaller lot sizes that characterize this neighborhood. Providing better access is the principal challenge for this park. Construction of a pedestrian bridge over Beaver Creek, along the alignment of Ruehle Street, offers one means of accomplishing this.

Some desirable improvements to Bates Park include: an educational “nature walk” component, expanding trails and adding fishing ponds. A long-term improvement to this park would be the construction of a pedestrian bridge across Beaver Creek to allow access to and from the south.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 3
 LOCATED IN THE NW 1/4 SEC. 3 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 TREMBLETON SUBDIVISION LOTS 565 TO 574,
 603 TO 614, 711 TO 722 AND 751 TO 762
 INCL. 1/2 VAC. ALLEYS ADJ.; LOT 867 EXC. N
 30.0 FT. OF E 39.0 FT. & LOTS 868 TO 870
 INCL. EXC. E 39.0 FT.; ALSO VACATED HAFF AVE. AND WINNIE AVE.



Figure 34: Bates Park Amenities Map

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KRAFT PARK

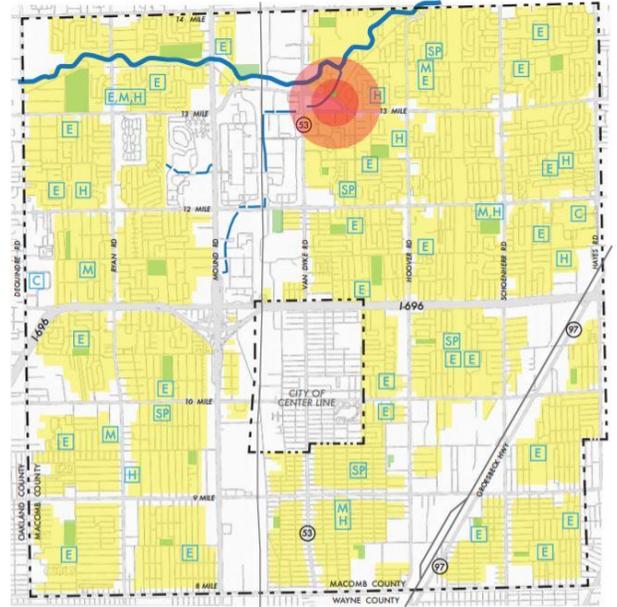
Neighborhood Park

1 acre

S. Chicago & Chicago Roads, Warren, MI 48093



Figure 35: Kraft Park, Google Street View 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 36: Kraft Park Location Map

KRAFT PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Kraft Park is a small parcel of land that was recently acquired by the Warren Parks Department for development. Kraft Park is located at the corner of Chicago Road and Chicago Road South, north of 13 Mile Road and east of Van Dyke Road. This park follows through with existing recommendations from the Warren Parks and Recreation Master Plan to acquire additional acreage of park space. Kraft Park is currently in development to serve as a neighborhood pocket park.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T1N,R12E,SEC 3; COMM AT CEN POST SEC 3; TH S0°21'30"E 296.56 FT;
 TH S33°47'W 1752.91 FT ALG CEN LINE CHICAGO RD TO POB; TH S33°47'W
 163.40 FT; TH N82°43'45"W ALG CEN LINE CHICAGO RD TO E LINE BEAR
 CREEK R/W; TH N50°42'E 62.12 FT; TH N36°19'50"E 159.63 FT; TH LEAVING
 DRAIN S72°45'E 246.62 FT TO POB; 1.03 AC.



Figure 37: Kraft Park Amenities Map



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 1
 LOCATED IN THE SE 1/4 OF SEC. 1 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1301401001 N 12.0 ACRES OF W 1/2
 OF NW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 SEC. 1
 12 ACRES

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY

 500 ft




Figure 40: Miller Park Amenities Map

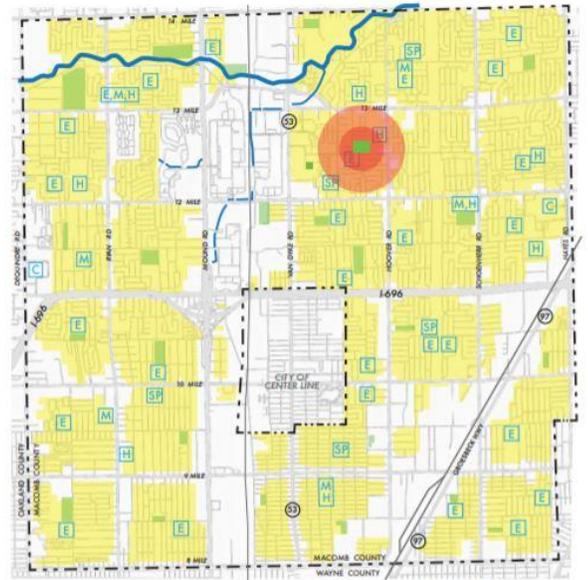


LICHT PARK

Neighborhood Park 7 acres
 30100 Campbell Street, Warren, MI 48093



Figure 42: Licht Park comfort station & playground, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 41: Licht Park Location Map

LICHT PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Licht Park is a seven-acre park, located on Campbell Street, approximately one-half mile to the west of the City of Warren Civic Center. The park shares a common boundary with Cousino High School to the east. Cromie Elementary School is located one block to the south. The park offers convenient access for cars, bicycles, and pedestrians. Parking is available in an off-street paved lot. The area surrounding the park is developed entirely for residential purposes.

Licht Park features a significant number of tall, mature trees, plenty of shade, and good turf. These features combine to create a good visual character and inviting atmosphere and explain the wide use of this park for picnics. Proximity of the park to Warren's Civic Center and to those large employers located near the Civic Center contribute to the park's heavy use during the lunch hour. The heavy park usage and its convenient location created the need to make several improvements to reinforce popularity of the site. A paved path was developed throughout the park, including exercise stations. The path extends to the abutting school complex to the east and to the surrounding neighborhood. A large multi-faceted play structure was installed in 1997.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 10
 LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 SEC. 10 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1310255010 & L1310255011
 SUPERVISOR'S PLAT OF TROMBLY ACRES
 LOTS 26 & 27

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY

250 ft 



Figure 43: Licht Park Amenities Map

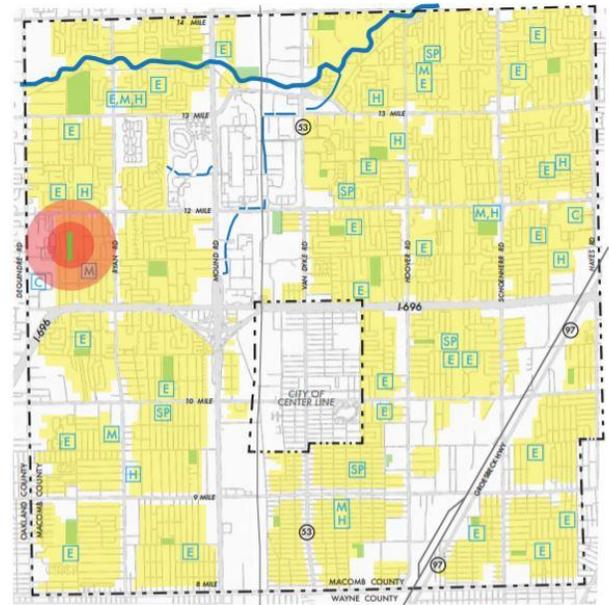
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HARTSIG PARK

Neighborhood Park 11 acres
2701 Martin Road, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 45: Hartsig Park play structure, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 44: Hartsig Park Location Map

HARTSIG PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Hartsig Park occupies an 11-acre site on the north side of Martin Road, approximately one-half mile north of I-696 and one-half mile west of Ryan Road. The park is centrally located within the one-square mile neighborhood that it serves. Beer Middle School, operated by Warren Consolidated Schools, is located on the opposite side of Martin Road. The two sand volleyball courts and the two soccer fields located at this site draw residents from a wider geographic area than the traditional one-half mile service radius. A new parking lot was constructed at this site in 1991. A playground structure and picnic shelter were also added.

There is no signage at the park. The soccer fields need redevelopment with the addition of proper drainage and irrigation to accommodate for its heavy usage. The park would also benefit from the construction of a paved walkway system, connecting the parking lot along Martin Road with the soccer fields located to the north.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 18
 LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 SEC. 18 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1318251001
 COMM AT N 1/4 POST SEC. 18;
 TH. S 03°04'25" E 1143.37 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. ALG. CEN. LINE DRAIN N 73°20'20" E 198.38 FT.;
 TH. S 87°08'50" E 77.16 FT.;
 TH. S 79°37'50" E 56.48 FT.;
 TH. LEAVING DRAIN S 02°49' E 1554.41 FT.;
 TH. N 89°51' W 318.04 FT.;
 TH. N 03°04'25" W 1511 FT. ALG. N & S 1/4 LINE SEC. 18 TO P.O.B.;
 SUBJECT TO RESERVATION OF N 30 FT. FOR DRAIN EASEMENT
 11.419 ACRES

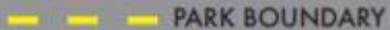
	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 46: Hartsig Park Amenities Map

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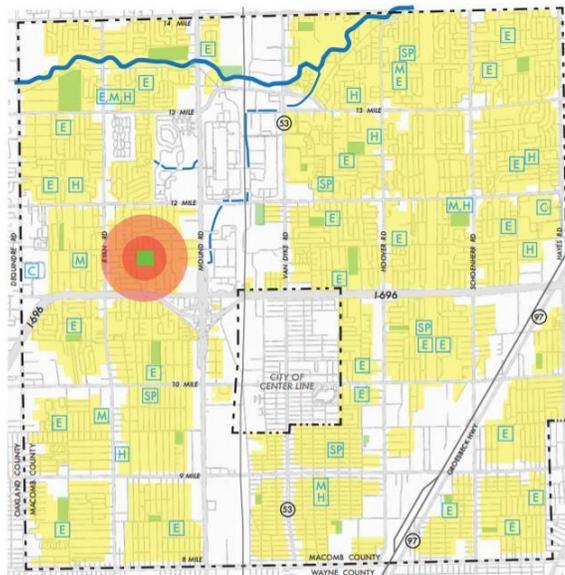
BUTCHER PARK

Neighborhood Park 12.5 acres

4700 Martin Road, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 48: Butcher Park Picnic & volleyball areas, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 47: Butcher Park Location Map

BUTCHER PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Butcher is a 12.5-acre park, located between Ryan Road and Mound Road on the south side of Martin Road. Butcher Community Education Building, in the Warren Consolidated School District, adjoins the park site to the south. The park is centrally located in a well-defined neighborhood. A new single-family subdivision has been developed near the park, which will increase population levels and provide more park uses. Completion of the development of Walker Woods property will further expand potential future for population growth. A new play structure was installed in 1998.

The heavily wooded characteristics of this park offer an ideal setting for picnics. This park is easily accessible to both pedestrians and bicyclists. No off-street parking is available, however, except at the school site. The status of the school site impacts the long-term plans for this park. For example, if Butcher School is sold, it may be necessary to construct a new parking lot with access to Martin Road.

Providing a paved pedestrian walkway would improve circulation in the park. It would also unify existing site features, such as the picnic shelter, comfort station and ball diamonds, which are dispersed across the site.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 17
 LOCATED IN THE SW 1/4 SEC. 17
 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1317327001 BEG. AT NW COR. OF S.P. OF PAUL HOSTE'S FIRST
 SUB; TH. S 02°10'30" E 767.13 FT. ALG. W LINE OF SD. PLAT;
 TH. S 89°23' W 719.99 FT;
 TH. N 0°37' W 770.5 FT;
 TH. N 89°34' E 462.17 FT. & N 89°54'30" E
 236.97 FT. ALG. E & W 1/4 LINE SEC. 17
 TO P.O.B.; EXC. W 30 FT. FOR STREET.
 12.531 ACRES

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 49: Butcher Park Amenities Map

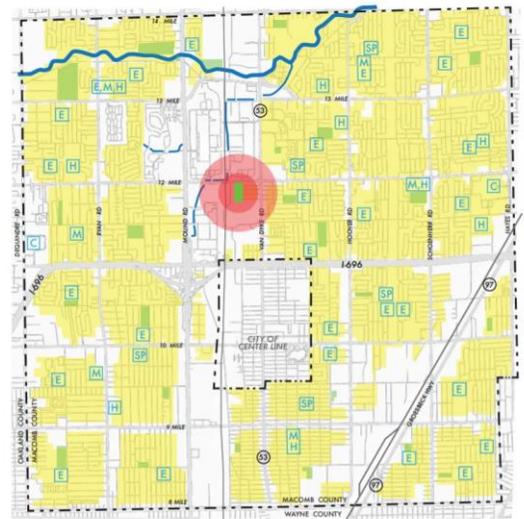
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BURDI PARK

Neighborhood Park 8 acres
12 Mile Road, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 51: Burdi Dog Run area, Google Street view 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 50: Burdi Park Location Map

BURDI PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This 8.0-acre park is located on the south side of 12 Mile Road in Warren's industrial corridor, between Van Dyke and Mound Roads. Because of the industrial character of the surrounding area, the service area of the park is limited to a portion of the neighborhood which live in proximity to the park. Burdi is more of a specialty park that is used for soccer, drawing users from across the City. The roller hockey courts, parking lot and playground area, located at the southern end of the park, serve these needs. It is also widely used by employees of the adjacent industrial establishments, especially during lunch breaks.

The soccer fields in the center of the park are well programmed and should continue to be on a long-term basis. There is also a 350' by 80' fenced in area that has been converted into a Dog Park. Permits for entry are available through the Parks and Recreation Department.

Future improvements to this site should recognize its dual function as both a neighborhood and specialty park. The southern end of the park should continue to serve the recreation needs of the nearby residential neighborhood. The roller hockey courts have recently been improved. To get maximum usage from the soccer fields; redevelopment with proper drainage and irrigation will provide long term usage.

An internal path along the perimeter of the park could help unify these somewhat diverse park functions. A path with exercise stations would be of some benefit to those persons who use the park, especially during lunch hours. Landscaping along the path and the industrial establishments along the west of the park should also be considered to soften the appearance and to make it more inviting. Those who jog around the GM Tech Center may also wish to use this path as part of an exercise trail.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 16
 LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 SEC. 16 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 E 10 ACRES OF NW 1/4 OF NE 1/ 4, EXC.
 N 60 FT. FOR HWY. PURP. ALSO EXC. E 40 FT FOR STREET
 8.92 ACRES



 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY





Figure 52: Burdi Park Amenities Map

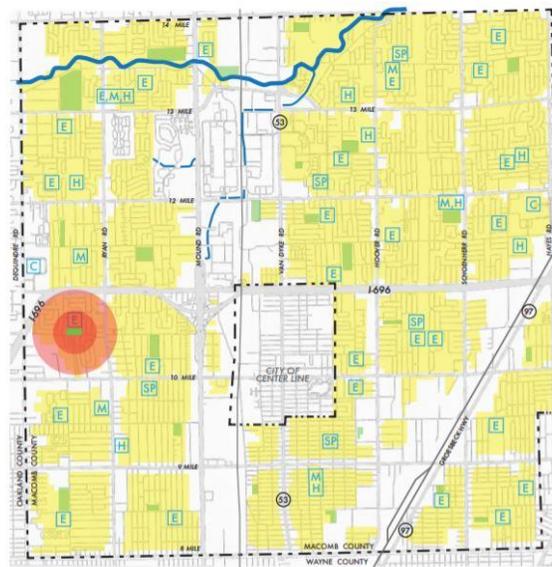
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RINKE PARK

Neighborhood Park 8 acres
28500 Arsenal Avenue, Warren, MI 48093



Figure 54: Rinke Park play area, DTP, 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 53: Rinke Park Location Map

RINKE PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This 8.0-acre park is in the central portion of the City with a well-defined service area. A private school (Macomb Christian Academy), located next to the park, expands the number of persons using this site. The ball diamonds also draw users from beyond neighborhood boundaries, especially for men/women coed softball. Parking is provided at the school site. The park has a pleasant visual character, with good turf and mature trees.

Additional landscaping is needed near the tennis courts and along the southern property line, adjacent to existing single-family homes which back up to the park. Expansion of the existing pedestrian path system is needed at this site. The existing sidewalk is deteriorated and there is no direct barrier free path from the street to the play structure. The tennis courts are in deteriorated condition and are slated for removal. In addition, the green belt to the west of the tennis courts needs to be re-graded to allow for proper drainage.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 15
 LOCATED IN THE NW 1/4 SEC. 15 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 COMM. AT N 1/4 POST SEC. 15;
 TH. S 02° 12' 20" E 736.05 FT.;
 TH. S 89° 45' 50" W 850.0 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. S 02° 21' 50" E 599.59 FT.;
 TH. S 89° 45' 50" W 591.07 FT.;
 TH. N 0° 59' 10" W 599.23 FT.;
 TH. N 89° 45' 50" E 576.77 FT. TO P.O.B.
 8.032 ACRES



Figure 55: Rinke Park Amenities Map

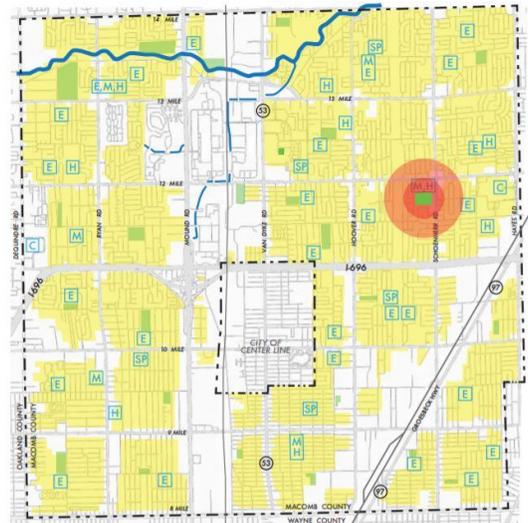
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McGRATH PARK

Neighborhood Park 8.6 acres
13300 Leisure Drive, Warren, MI 48088



Figure 57: McGrath Baseball Fields, Google Street view 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 56: McGrath Park Location Map

McGRATH PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Owing to its location near the intersection of 12 Mile and Schoenherr roads, McGrath Park has a service radius that extends into four identifiable neighborhoods. This exceeds the service area population of most City parks by significant margins. Warren Woods Middle School and Enterprise Adult Education are located on the adjoining site to the north. Existing single-family homes abut the park's southern boundary. Access to the park is provided from Leisure Street, which dead ends at the park's boundary and through a pedestrian easement to the south.

McGrath Park largely functions as an open play area for the adjoining neighborhood. The future of the park is related, to some extent, to the continued use of the two adjoining schools in the Warren Woods School District. The function of the park may change, depending on the school usage.

Desirable park improvements include a walking path throughout the park, a new playground area, and conversion of the existing comfort station to a picnic shelter/comfort station. The approach to the park from Suburban Dr. is not ADA barrier free compliant. There are no designated handicapped parking spots for this park. The comfort station at McGrath Park is typical to one found in many Warren Parks.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 14
 LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 SEC. 14 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1314276001 COMM. AT NE COR. SEC. 14;
 TH. S 1317.03 FT;
 TH. S 88x35' W 256.92 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. S 01x00' W 185.21 FT.;
 TH. S 29x01' 1" W 967.83 FT.;
 TH. N 0x37' 40" E 350.85 FT.;
 TH. N 88x35' E 1060.45 FT TO P.O.B.
 8.354 ACRES

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY

250 ft 



Figure 58: McGrath Park Amenities Map

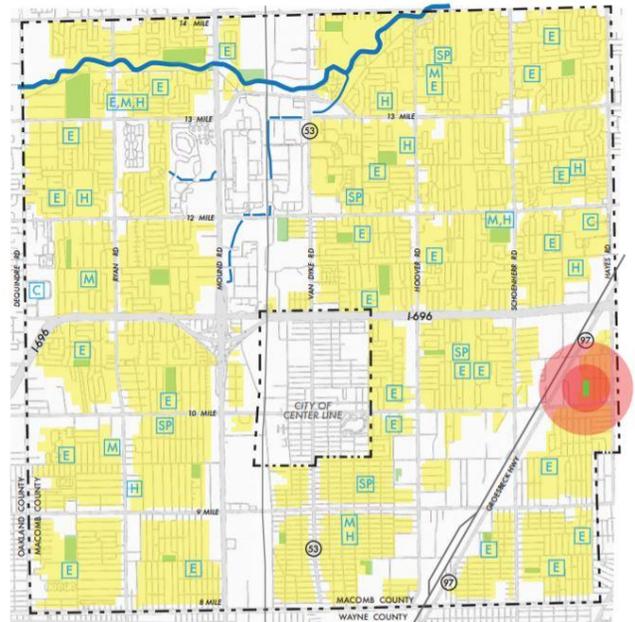
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TROMBLY PARK

Neighborhood Park 14.5 acres
14775 Alvin Avenue, Warren, MI 48089



Figure 60: Trombly Park Entrance



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 59: Trombly Park Location Map

TROMBLY PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Trombly Park is located four blocks from the City's eastern boundary. Access to the site within the park's service area is restricted by the Groesbeck Highway and by 10 Mile Road. Portions of the park's service area extend into the adjoining communities of East Detroit and Roseville.

The school site was sold to the City of Warren to increase the park by four acres. Since the park was expanded, future plans include expanding the south end of the park gaining access to 10 Mile Road and creating a more highly visible entrance to the park for the large neighborhood that is on the south side of 10 Mile Road. The comfort station at Trombly Park is typical to one found in many Warren Parks.

A plan has been developed to create a more attractive and useful park for the area, pending funding. Improvements include the walking path, nature center with deck, natural floral garden, bridge, pond, restroom/shelter, paved parking lot, landscaping/trees, picnic area, play equipment, and two soccer fields.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 24
 COMM. AT SE COR. SEC. 24;
 TH. S 86°48'30" W 1327.60 FT. ALONG S SEC. LINE;
 TH. N 0°00'30" E 889.33 FT. TO P.O.B. TH. CONT. N 0°00'30" E
 527.92 FT.;
 TH. N 89°59'30" W 100.00 FT.;
 TH. S 45°00'03" W 11.31 FT.;
 TH. N 89°59'30" W 304.58 FT.
 TH. S 0°04'30" W 101.12 FT.;
 TH. S 0°03'15" W 443.0 FT.;
 TH. N 86°39'40" E 413.75 FT. TO P.O.B.
 5.060 ACRES

ALSO

COMM. AT S 1/4 POST SEC. 24;
 TH. N 87°02'30" E 1334.31 FT.;
 TH. N 0°00'30" E 466.33 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. S 86°32'25" W 413.55 FT.;
 TH. N 0°08'10" E 423.06 FT.;
 TH. N 86°32'25" E 412.62 FT.;
 TH. S 0°00'30" W 423 FT. TO P.O.B.
 4.01 ACRES

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY

250 ft 



Figure 61: Trombly Park Amenities Map

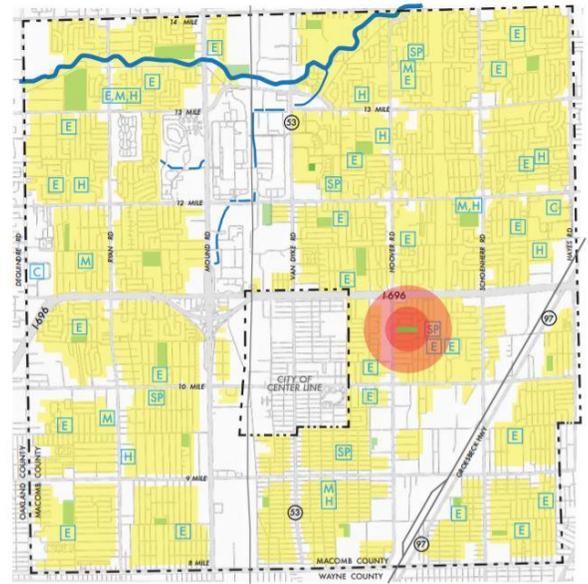
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RENTZ PARK

Neighborhood Park 4 acres
12000 Herbert Avenue, Warren, MI 48089



Figure 63: Rentz Park play and picnic areas, Google street view 2020



Neighborhood service radius $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 62: Rentz Park Location Map

RENTZ PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Rentz Park is a four (4) acre parcel of property was donated to the City in Section 23 in 1997. Located south of I-696, the park is just east of Hoover Road. A neighborhood park, Rentz can be accessed from Herbert Avenue. In 2002, site development and construction began for a walking path, underground drainage, play structure, landscaping with berms and trees and park benches. Funding for this project was provided in part from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund. The park could benefit from sidewalk improvements around the park as there is no barrier-free entry path to the park.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 23
 COMM AT W 1/4 COR. 23; TH N. 00°30' W. 499.05 FT.;
 TH S. 89°21'10" E. 240.01 FT. TO P.O.B.; TH N. 00°01'03" W.
 163.77 FT.; TH S. 88°56'25" E. 1005.84 FT.; TH S. 00°14'38" W.
 156.52 FT.; TH N. 89°21'10" W. 1005.05 FT. TO P.O.B. CONTAINING
 3.696 AC. M/L
 TH N



Figure 64: Rentz Park Amenities Map

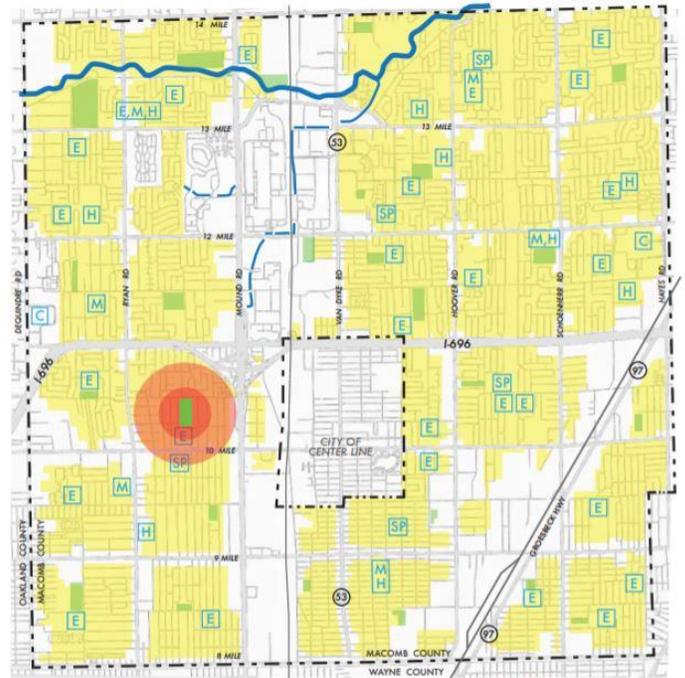
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BUSSE PARK

Neighborhood Park 10 acres
5002 Frazho Road Warren, MI 48091



Figure 66: Busse Park Entrance, DTP 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 65: Busse Park Location Map

BUSSE PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Busse Park occupies a narrow, ten-acre site on the south side of Frazho Road. Single-family homes back up along both sides of the park. Roose Elementary School is located near the south end of the park.

The park was developed in 1992. Park improvements included the following: a new parking lot with access to Frazho Road; soccer field next to the tennis courts; landscaping along the east and west property lines, which abut developed single-family lots; a comfort station; and a paved pedestrian path.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 20
 THE N 1373.00 FT. OF THE FOLLOWING DESC. PARCEL:
 BEG. AT CEN. POST SEC. 20;
 TH. S 0°36'41" W 1968.01 FT.
 TH. S 61°41'07" W 381.56 FT.;
 TH. N 0°34'53" E 2153.30 FT.
 TH. S 89°15'54" E 335.10 FT. TO P.O.B. EXC. THE N 43 FT.
 ROAD R.O.W.

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY

250 ft 



Figure 67: Busse Park Amenities Map

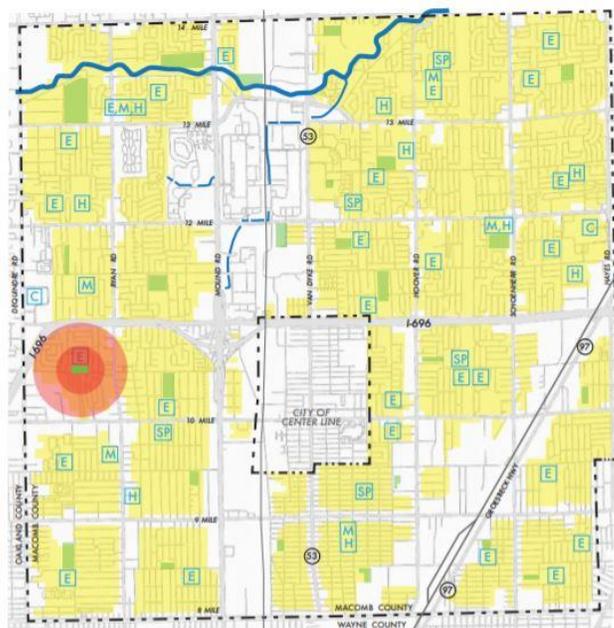
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STEINHAUSER PARK

Neighborhood Park 8 acres
3101 Frazho Road, Warren, MI 48091



Figure 69: Steinhauser Park play areas, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 68: Steinhauser Park Location Map

STEINHAUSER PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Steinhauser Park is located within a one-square mile neighborhood, near Warren's western boundary, between Dequindre and Ryan roads, south of 1-696. Siersma Elementary School adjoins the park to the north. The school playground abuts the park, thereby expanding the amount of land available for recreation purposes at this site. The extensive mature trees located at this site enhance the overall visual character of the park. They also contribute to the poor turf conditions evident at portions of the park. A new playground structure was installed in 1992, and a paved path system for walking and jogging was completed in 1994.

The park could benefit from the construction of a picnic shelter. The roller hockey courts are in deteriorated condition and need to be converted to roller hockey and basketball courts. The comfort station at Steinhauser Park is typical to one found in many Warren Parks.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 19
 COMM. AT CEN. POST SEC. 19; TH. N 89°50'04" E
 158.17 FT. TO PT. OF BEG.; TH. N 0°09'56" W
 43 FT.; TH. N 19°05'15" E 390.73 FT.;
 TH. N 89°50'04" E 776.45 FT.; TH. S 0°15'06" W 411.89 FT.;
 TH. S 89°50'04" W 902.29 FT. TO PT. OF BEG. 8.00 ACRES

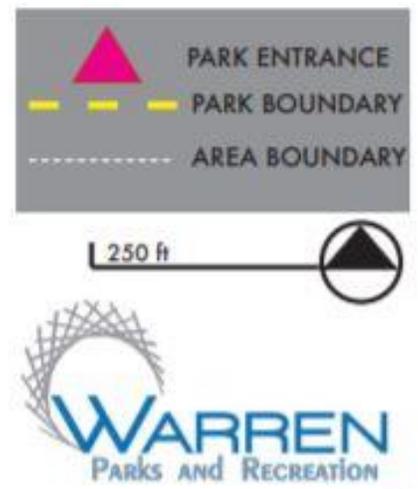


Figure 70: Steinhauser Park Amenities Map

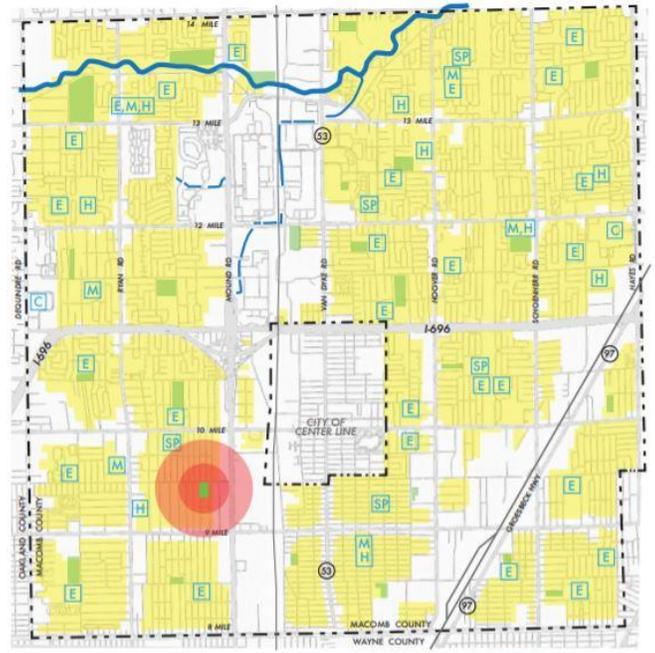
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AUSTIN-DANNIS PARK

Neighborhood Park 10 acres
5200 Stephens Road, Warren, MI 48091



Figure 72: Austin-Dannis play area, DTP 2020



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 71: Austin-Dannis Park Location Map

AUSTIN-DANNIS PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This park is located within a well-defined one-square mile neighborhood. Neighborhood residents at both ends of the age spectrum increased since 1990. The park is easily accessible given its location along Stephens Road. The park contains a comfort station, a play area, picnic area and open space for a soccer field.

Recent park improvements include the conversion of tennis courts into two (1/2 court) basketball courts and one enclosed roller hockey court. In the year 2001, a large new play structure was completed. Future park improvements include entrance landscaping, a pedestrian path offering access to the play fields, picnic area and new permanent picnic tables.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 29
 LOCATED IN THE SE 1/4 SEC. 29 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 N 10.0 ACRES OF E 30.0 ACRES OF W 1/2
 OF SE 1/4 SEC. 29

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 73: Austin-Dannis Park Amenities Map

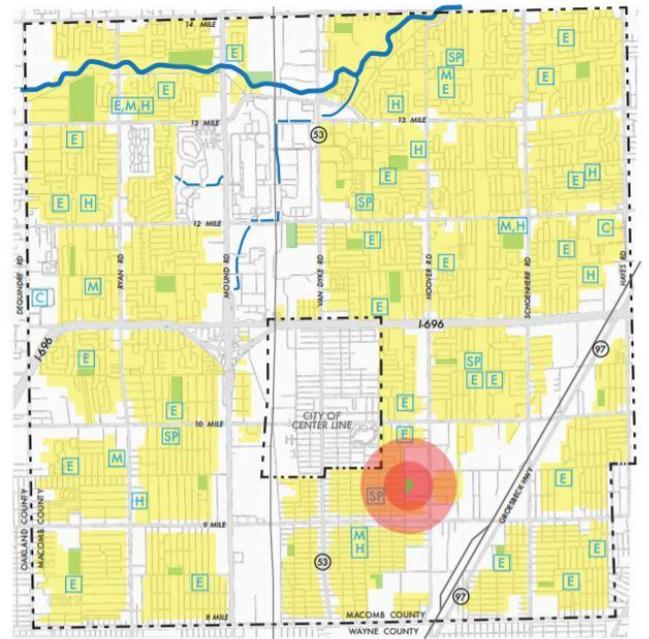
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JAYCEE PARK

Neighborhood Park 4.5 acres
11371 Timken Avenue, Warren, MI 48009



Figure 75: Jaycee Park play area, DTP 2020

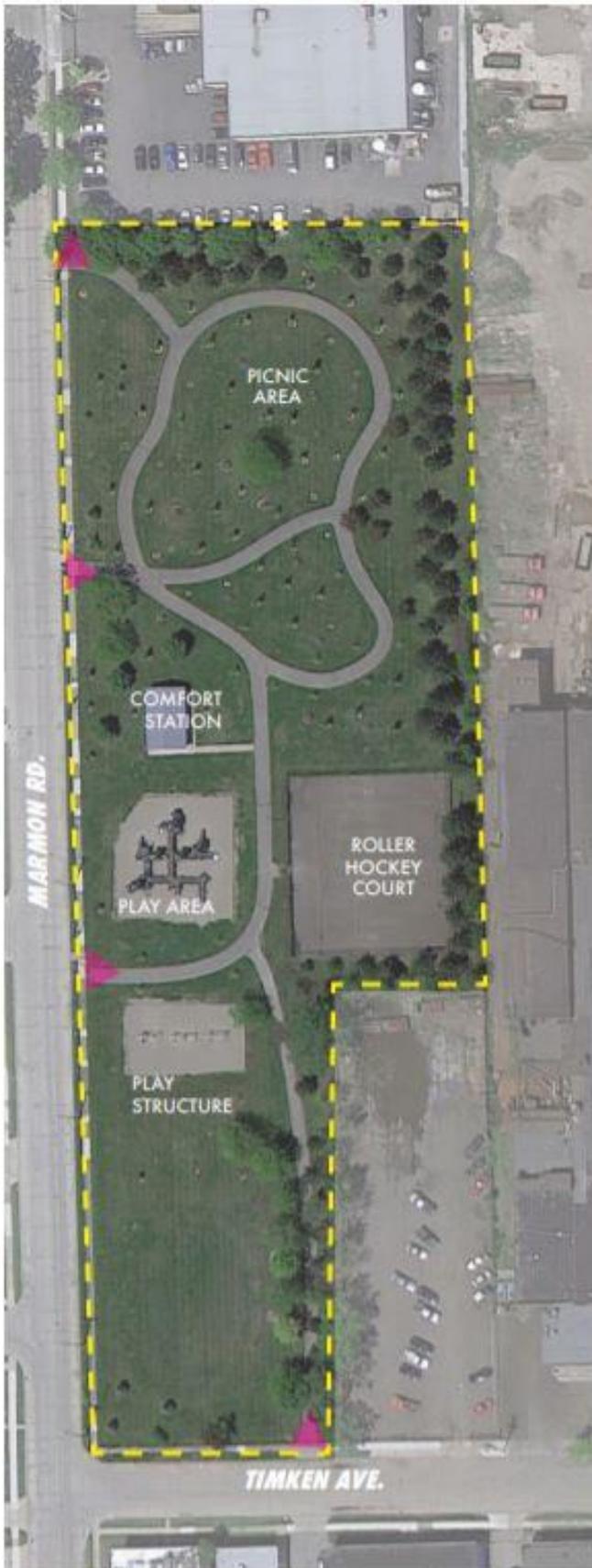


Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 74: Jaycee Park Location Map

JAYCEE PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This park occupies a 4.5-acre site in the southern half of the City, approximately one-quarter mile east of Hoover road. Several park improvements have been completed at Jaycee Park utilizing Community Development Block Grant funding. These include construction of a picnic shelter/comfort station, paved walkway throughout the park, new permanent picnic tables, large new play structure, and new landscaping. The comfort station at Jaycee Park is typical to one found in many Warren Parks. Currently, the tennis courts need to be removed, repaved or re-purposed as the surface is in disrepair.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 27
 COMM. AT E 1/4 POST SEC. 27;
 TH. N 89°30' W 1269.40 FT.;
 TH. S 0°58' W 475.0 FT. TO P.O.B.
 TH. S 89°30' E 264.0 FT.;
 TH. S 0°58' W 500.16 FT.;
 TH. N 89°30' W 264.0 FT.;
 TH. N 0°58' E 500.16 FT. TO P.O.B.
 3.03 ACRES

ALSO

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 27
 COMM. AT E 1/4 POST SEC. 27;
 TH. N 89°30' W 1269.40 FT.;
 TH. S 0°58' W 975.16 FT. TO P.O.B.
 TH. S 89°30' E 164.0 FT.;
 TH. S 0°58' W 298.73
 FT.; TH. N 89°40'45" W 164.0 FT.;
 TH. N 0°58' E 296.18 FT. TO P.O.B.
 1.12 ACRES PT

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY

 500 ft




Figure 76: Jaycee Park Amenities Map

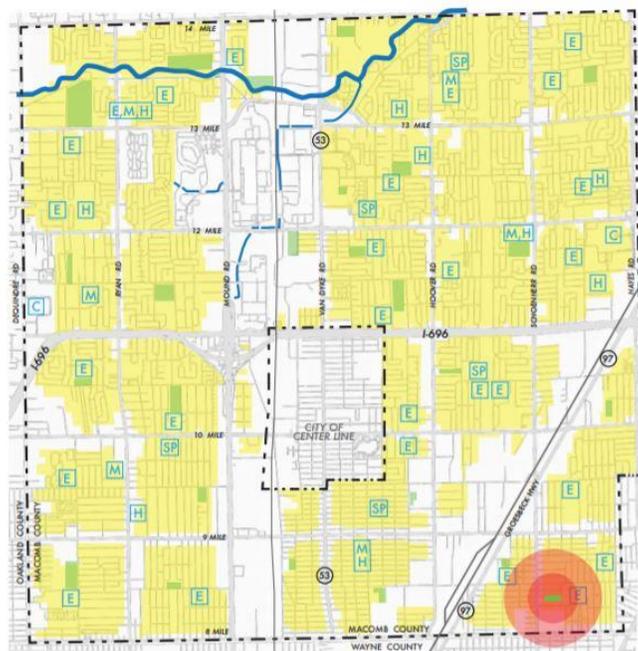
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UNDERWOOD PARK

Neighborhood Park 8 acres
 13700 Sidonie Drive, Warren, MI 48089



Figure 78: Underwood Park play area, DTP 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 77: Underwood Park Location Map

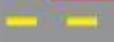
UNDERWOOD PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Underwood Park is in the southeast corner of the City, between Schoenherr and Hayes roads. Underwood Park is used for outreach events to assist residents in the area. The park has completed a landscape and tree-planting program and has upgraded the existing turf conditions. A walkway was constructed providing pedestrian access to other portions of the park. The tennis courts were eliminated, and the area was landscaped with trees and park benches were installed. The play equipment was recently replaced. The area was also illuminated for an overall positive effect on the park. The comfort station at Underwood Park is typical to one found in many Warren Parks.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 36
 LOCATED IN THE SW 1/4 SEC. 36 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 COMM. AT W 1/4 POST SEC. 36;
 S 0°51'15" W 977.47 FT. ALG. W SEC. LINE;
 TH. S 89°53'15" E 313.0 FT. ALG. N LINE EASTVIEW SUBDIVISION TO P.O.B.;
 TH. N 0°51'15" E 331.69 FT. PARA. TO & 313.0 FT. E OF W SEC. LINE;
 TH. S 89°56'30" E 1004.96 FT. ALG. S LINE NATIONAL GARDENS SUBDIVISION;
 TH. S 0°53'30" W 332.64 FT.;
 TH. N 89°53'15" W 1004.74 FT. ALG. N LINE EASTVIEW SUBDIVISION TO P.O.B.
 7.662 ACRES

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY



 250 ft


Figure 79: Underwood Park Amenities Map

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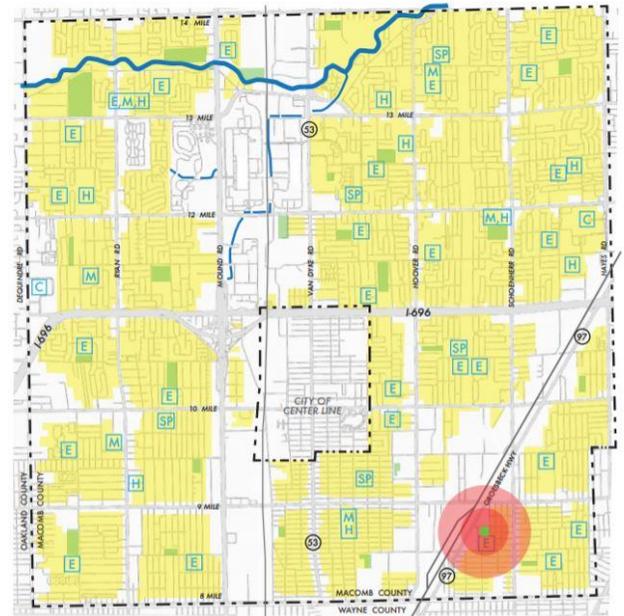
WINTERS PARK

Neighborhood Park 6.5 acres
13000 St. Andrews Avenue, Warren, MI



Figure 81: Winters Park picnic shelter, DTP 2014

48089



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 80: Winters Park Location Map

WINTERS PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Winters Park is located approximately one-half mile west of Underwood Park and essentially shares the same service area as the former park. The service area of this park to the west is limited by the intervening Groesbeck Highway industrial corridor, which adjoins the park to the west.

Winters Park shares a common site with McKinley Elementary School in the Van Dyke School District. The park was totally developed utilizing Community Development Block Grant Funding. The following improvements were made new play structure, comfort station/pavilion, ballfield, landscaping around the park, and a paved parking lot.

The parking lot at Winters Park does have two spaces with access lanes reserved for ADA parking but there is no posted signage. The comfort station at Winters Park is combined with the picnic shelter.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 35
 LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 SEC. 35 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 COMM. AT E 1/4 POST SEC. 35; TH. S 89° 18' W 1310.76 FT. ;
 TH. N 0° 32' 40" W 499 FT. TO P.O.B.
 TH. S 89° 18' W 165.95 FT. ;
 TH. N 0° 44' W 462 FT. ;
 TH. N 89° 18' E 167.49 FT. ;
 TH. S 0° 32' 40" E 462 FT. TO P.O.B. 1.889 ACRES

ALSO

COMM. AT E 1/4 POST SEC. 35; TH. S 89° 18' W 1475.02 FT. ;
 TH. N 0° 44' W 499 FT. TO P.O.B.
 TH. S 89° 18' W 165 FT. ;
 TH. N 0° 44' W 462 FT. ;
 TH. N 89° 18' E 165 FT. ;
 TH. S 0° 44' E 462 FT. TO P.O.B. 1.867 ACRES

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 82: Winters Park Amenities Map

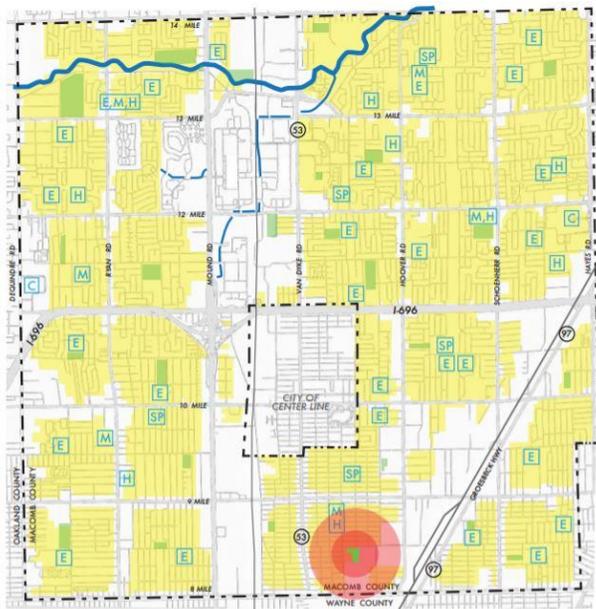
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WEIGAND PARK

Neighborhood Park 15 acres
8700 Toepfer Road, Warren, MI 48089



Figure 84: Weigand Park Comfort Station Mural



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

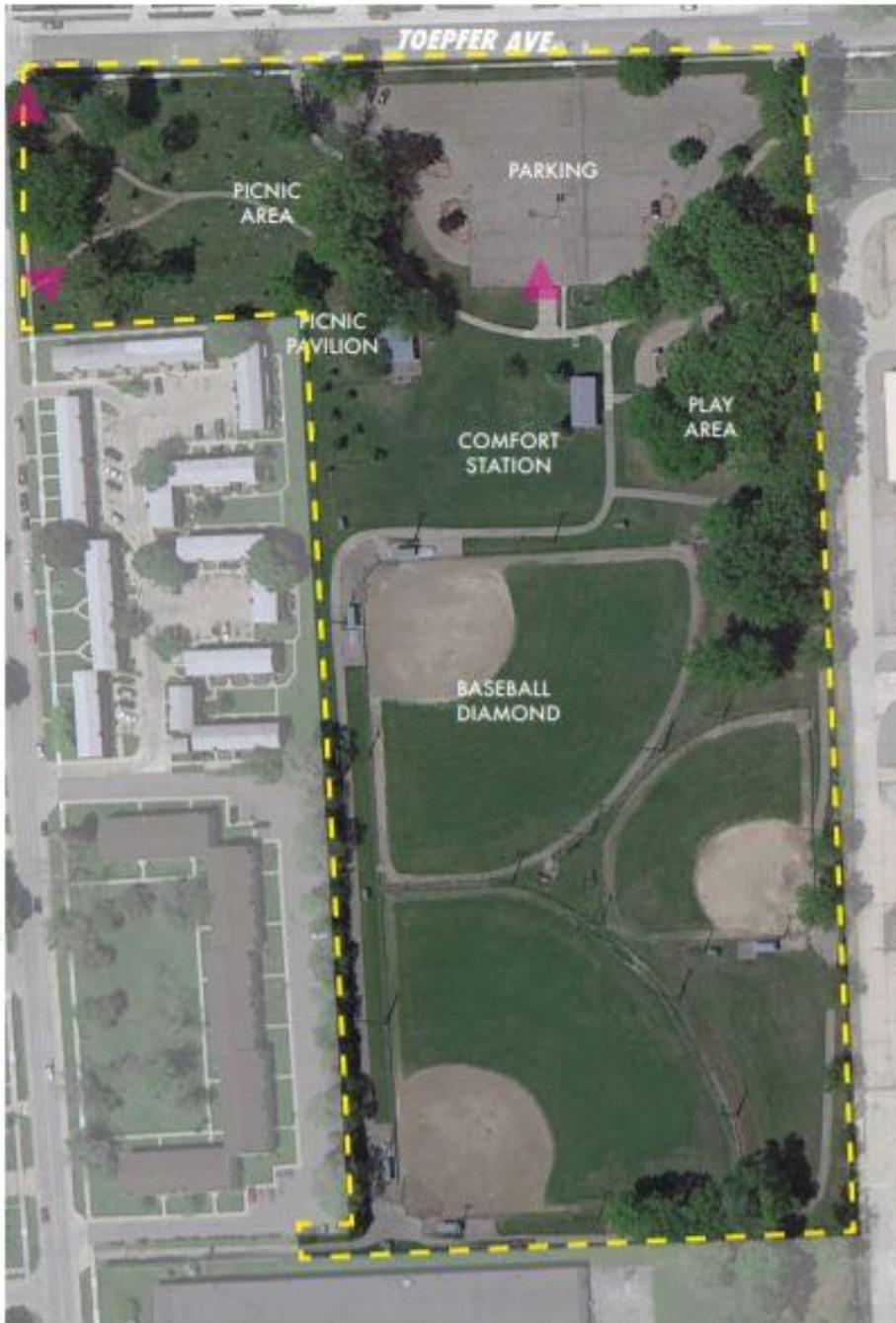
Figure 83: Weigand Park Location Map

WEIGAND PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Wiegand Park is centrally located within its designated neighborhood service area. This park serves one of the largest populations in the city and is the City’s largest for a neighborhood park. Four existing schools are also located within Wiegand Park’s service area, none of which share a common boundary with this park, however. Wiegand Park occupies a 15-acre site and is one of the City’s largest neighborhood parks. The park’s three ball diamonds are heavily programmed.

This park features a good combination of mature vegetation and open play areas. It has a large lighted parking lot and a good variety of equipment and facilities. In the year 2000, several park improvements were completed, these include: construction of a pedestrian walking pathway, replacement of existing perimeter fencing, installation of a large new play structure, and installation of new permanent picnic tables. Community Development Block Grant monies provided funding for these improvements. The parking lot is in good shape and has ADA parking for 7 cars and 4 vans. The comfort station at Wiegand Park is typical to one found in many Warren Parks.

If there was additional vacant land around the park, this may be a suitable site for expansion into a larger community park. The absence of such additional acreage precludes this possibility from occurring. The handicapped signs in the parking lot can use posted signage displaying the International Symbol of Accessibility and specifically labeled van parking.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 34
 LOCATED IN THE SW 1/4 SEC. 34 DESCRIBED
 AS FOLLOWS:
 1334331001 THE N 273.03 FT. OF FOLL. DESC;
 COMM. AT CEN. POST SEC. 34; TH. N 89° 10'
 W 490.70 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. S 01° 13' 20" E 1140.88 FT;
 TH. N 89° 54' 10" W 250 FT;
 TH. N 01° 13' W 1144.08 FT. ALG. E SIDE LINE
 MAC ARTHUR BLVD;
 TH. S 89° 10' E 250 FT. ALG. E & W 1/4 LINE
 SEC. 34 TO P.O.B.;
 EXC. N 43.04 FT; FOR TOEPPER RD.
 1.31 ACRES

ALSO

1334331004 THE S 20 FT. OF FOLL. DESC;
 COMM. AT CEN. POST SEC. 34; TH. N 89° 10'
 W 490.70 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. S 01° 13' 20" E 1140.88
 FT; TH. N 89° 54' 10" W 250 FT;
 TH. N 01° 13' W 1144.08 FT. ALG. E SIDE LINE
 MAC ARTHUR BLVD;
 TH. S 89° 10' E 250 FT. ALG. E & W 1/4 LINE
 SEC 34 TO P.O.B.;
 EXC. N 43.04 FT;
 FOR TOEPPER RD. 0.11 ACRES

ALSO

1334331005 BEG. AT CEN. POST SEC. 34; TH.
 S 0° 37' W 1134.32 FT; TH. N 89° 54' 10" W
 454.10 FT;
 TH. N 01° 13' 20" W 1140.88 FT; TH. S 89° 10'
 E 490.70 FT. ALG. E & W 1/4 LINE SEC. 34 TO
 P.O.B
 1144.08 FT. ALG. E SIDE LINE MAC ARTHUR
 BLVD;
 TH. S 89° 10' E 250 FT. ALG. E & W 1/4 LINE
 SEC. 34 TO P.O.B; EXC. N 43.03 FT;
 FOR TOEPPER RD. 12.33 ACRES

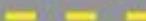
 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 85: Wiegand Park Amenities Map

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GROESBECK PARK

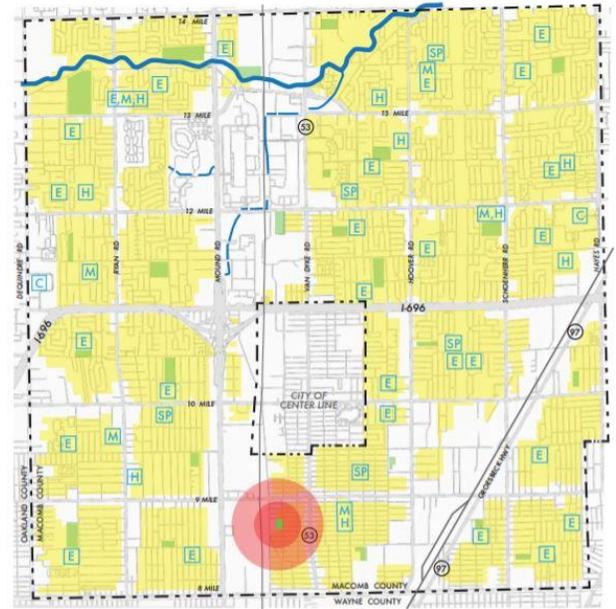
Neighborhood Park

6.9 acres

22221 Memphis Avenue, Warren, MI 48091



Figure 87: Groesbeck Park play area, DTP 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 86: Groesbeck Park Location Map

GROESBECK PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This park serves a confined neighborhood sandwiched between the Mound Road industrial corridor to the west and Van Dyke to the east. This park is programmed and used by P.A.L., the Police Athletic League for the community. Several park improvements were completed in 1998. These included a new comfort station, a new parking lot, a paved pedestrian walking pathway, and a large new play structure. Community Development Block Grant monies provided funding for these improvements. Currently, the basketball courts need to be improved due to age and wear. The comfort station at Groesbeck Park is typical to one found in many Warren Parks.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 33
 LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 SEC. 33 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1333251004 TO L1333251010 & L1333251013
 LIBERTY PARK SUBDIVISION LOTS 176 TO 183;
 LOT 184 EXC. W PART BEING 23.41 FT. ON
 N SIDE & 24.08 FT. ON S SIDE; ALSO COMM. AT
 N 1/4 POST SEC. 33; TH. S 0° 19' W 1233 FT.;
 TH. S 89° 23' E 395.05 FT.; TH. S 89° 23' E 300 FT.;
 TH. S 0° 03' E 579.12 FT.; TH. S 71° 33' 30" W 55.61 FT.;
 TH. N 89° 33' 30" W 211.8 FT.; TH. N 0° 19' E 400.65 FT.;
 TH. N 89° 23' W 38 FT.; TH. N 0° 19' E 197.30 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 ALSO INCL. 1/2 OF VACATED HUDSON AVE. TO THE S.
 4.50 ACRES

 PARK ENTRANCE
 PARK BOUNDARY
 AREA BOUNDARY



Figure 88: Groesbeck Park Amenities Map

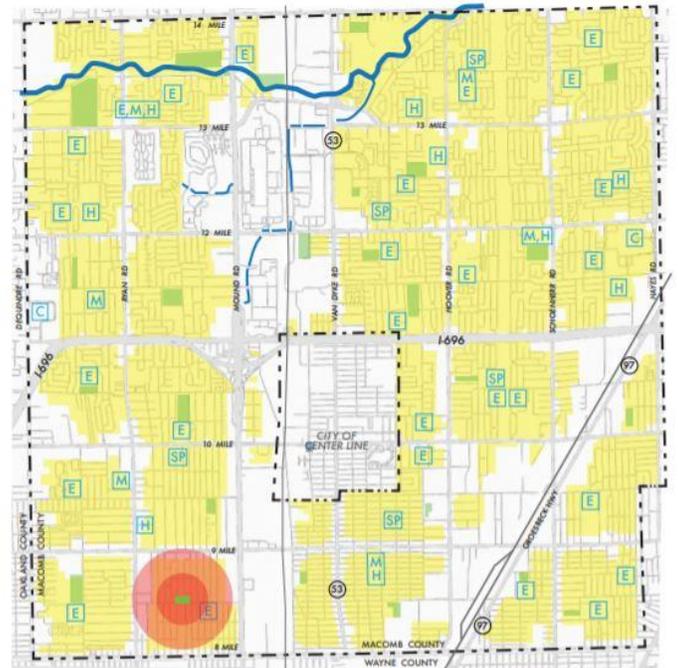
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ALTERMATT PARK

Neighborhood Park 2.6 acres
4811 Toepfer Road, Warren, MI 48091



Figure 90: Altermatt Park entrance, DTP 2014



Neighborhood service radius: $r = 1/4$ mi. $r = 1/2$ mi.

Figure 89: Altermatt Park Location Map

ALTERMATT PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Altermatt Park is located on the north side of Toepfer Road and is centrally located within its designated service area. It contains play equipment and areas for picnics. This park does not contain a comfort station. The park offers a pleasant visual setting, with green space and a significant number of mature trees.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N, R. 12E SEC. 32
 LOCATED IN THE NW 1/4 SEC. 32 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 L1332181041 COMM. AT W 1/4 POST SEC. 32;
 TH. E 1817.87 FT.; TH. N 43 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. N 200 FT.; TH. E 110 FT.; TH. S 200 FT.; TH. W 110 FT
 ALG. N SIDE TOEPFER AVE. TO P.O.B.
 0.51 ACRES

L1332181042 COMM. AT W 1/4 POST SEC. 32;
 TH. E 1927.87 FT.; TH. N 43 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. N 200 FT.; TH. E 110 FT.; TH. S 200 FT.;
 TH. W 110 FT. ALG. N SIDE TOEPFER AVE. TO P.O.B.
 0.51 ACRES

L1332181043 COMM. AT W 1/4 POST SEC. 32;
 TH. E 1647.87 FT. TO A PT. SD. PT. BEING SE COR.
 WM. MASCH FARM SUB.; TH. N 89°47' E 390 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. N 0°39' W 243 FT.; TH. N 89°47' E 60 FT.;
 TH. S 0°39' E 243 FT.; TH. S 89°47' W 60 FT. TO
 P.O.B., EXC. PART FOR HWY.
 0.332 ACRES

L1332181044 COMM. AT W 14/ POST SEC. 32;
 TH. E 2097.87 FT.; TH. N 43 FT. TO P.O.B.;
 TH. N 200 FT.; TH. E 265 FT.; TH. S 200 FT.;
 TH. W 265 FT. ALG. N SIDE TOEPFER AVE. TO P.O.B.
 1.22 ACRES

L1332181045 COMM. AT W 1/4 POST SEC. 32;
 TH. E 1647.87 FT. TO A PT. SD. PT. BEING SE COR. WM.
 MASCH FARM SUB.;
 TH. N 89°47' E 715 FT. TO P.O.B.; TH. N 0°39' W 243 FT.;
 TH. N 89°47' E 29.86 FT.; TH. S 0°39' E 243 FT.; TH. S 89°47'
 W 29.86 FT. TO P.O.B., EXC. PART FOR HWY, SUBJECT TO
 HARTSIG DRAIN EASEMENT OVER S 43 FT. OF W 29.86 FT.
 0.332 ACRES

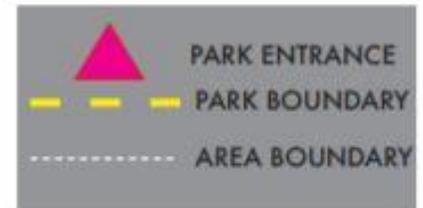


Figure 91: Altermatt Park Amenities Map

**RIDGEWOOD PARK**

Neighborhood Park 6.5 acres
13333 Racine Road, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 92: Ridgewood Park, 2020

RIDGEWOOD PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Ridgewood is a planned 6.5-acre park, located between Dover Avenue and Eiffel Avenue on the north side of Racine Road. The planned park site was the site of the now-demolished Ridgewood School. The park is centrally located in a well-defined neighborhood. Design features of the new park include an asphalt walking path circumnavigating the site, new trees and flower beds, a central butterfly garden, and a covered picnic area with pergola.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N., R. 12E. SEC. 11

LOCATED IN THE E. 1/2 OF THE S.E. 1/4 OF SECTION 11 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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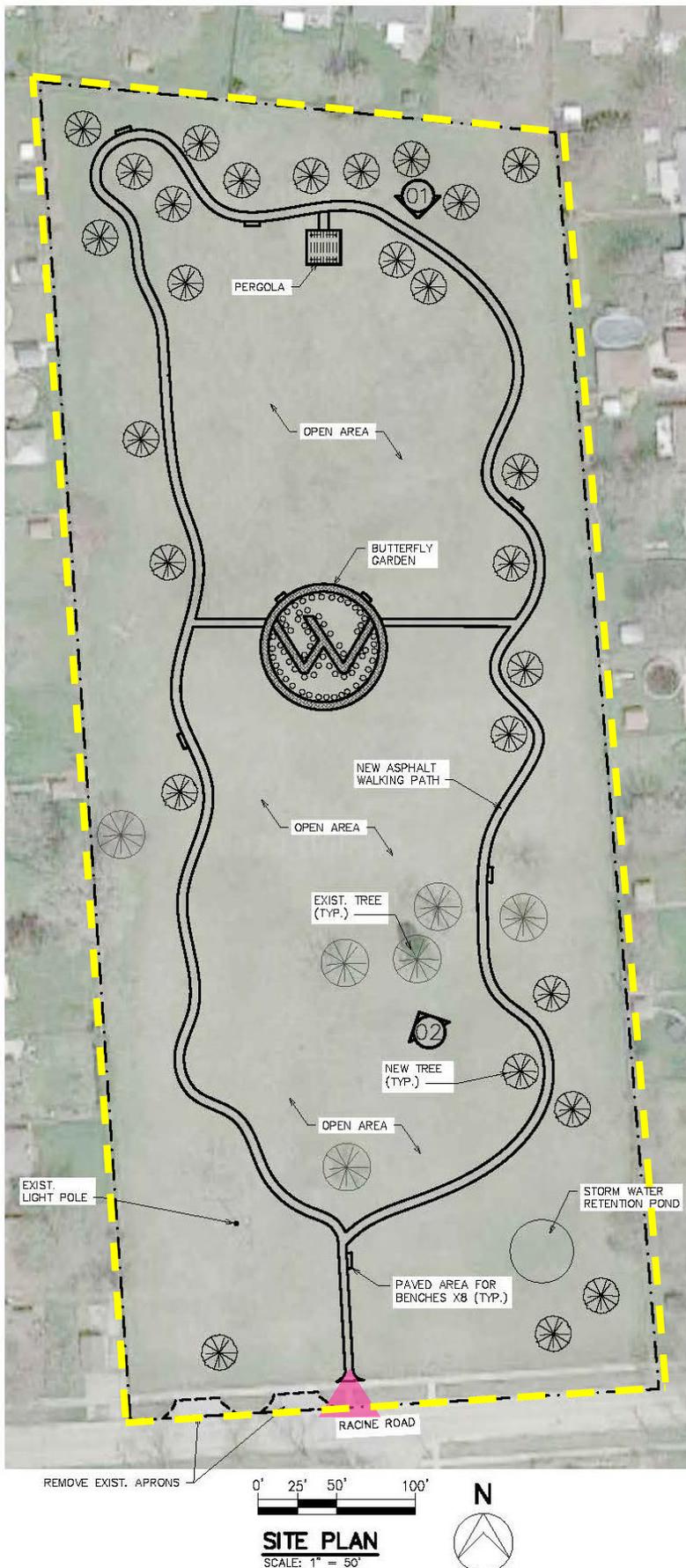


Figure 93: Proposed Ridgewood Park Amenities Map

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BURNETTE PARK

Neighborhood Park

0.55 acres

23345 Van Dyke Avenue, Warren, MI 48091



Figure 94: Burnette Park play area, DTP 2020

BURNETTE PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Burnette Park is part of the new Civic Center South, which is located on Van Dyke Road just north of 9 Mile Road. The site includes both the park and the new Maybelle Burnette Library. This is the first fully ADA accessible park in the City of Warren, with an array of playground equipment that can be used safely by all city residents. The park also includes a storybook trail along the west side, which features a gravel pathway and display boards displaying pages of Dr. Seuss books.

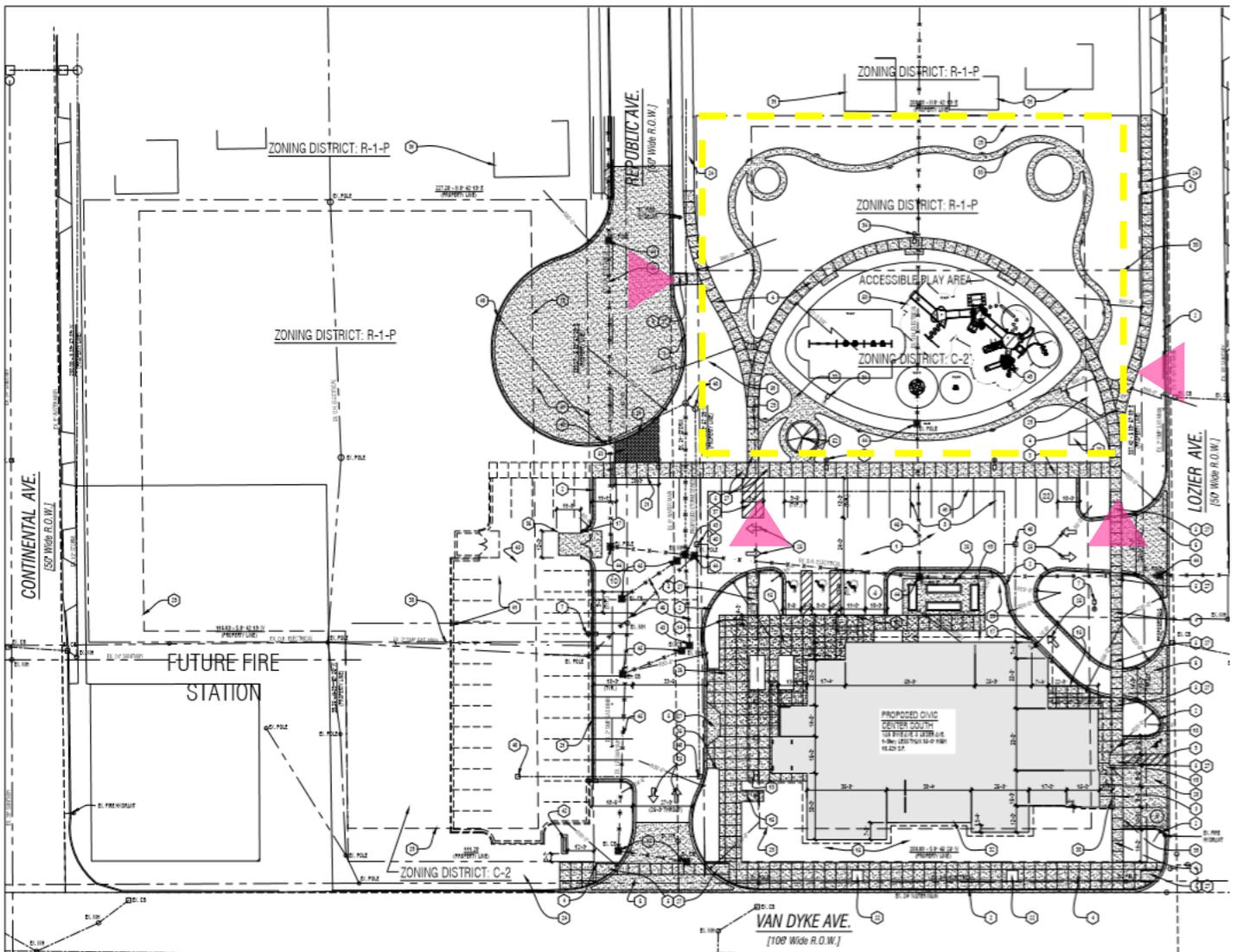


Figure 95: Burnette Park Site Plan (City of Warren)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N., R. 12E. SEC. 28

LOCATED IN THE E. 1/2 OF THE S.E. 1/4 OF SECTION 28 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOTS 21 THROUGH 42, INCLUDING THE VACATED ALLEY AT THE REAR THERETO, JACKSON PARK SUBDIVISION, RECORDED IN LIBER 9, PAGE 89, MACOMB COUNTY RECORDS.

	PARK ENTRANCE
	PARK BOUNDARY
	AREA BOUNDARY



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ESSEX PARK

Neighborhood Park 0.11 acres
23590 Van Dyke Avenue, Warren, MI 48089



Figure 96: Essex Park, Google Street view 2020

ESSEX PARK AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Essex Park is a singular lot acquisition of a vacant parcel of land along Van Dyke and Essex Avenues.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

T. 1N., R. 12E. SEC. 27

LOCATED IN THE SW ¼ OF SECTION 27
DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOTS 83 AND 84, INCLUDING ½ OF THE
VACATED ALLEY AT THE REAR THERETO,
LEO A. TEMROWSKI'S GREATER VAN DYKE
SUBDIVISION, RECORDED IN LIBER 8, PAGE
72, MACOMB COUNTY RECORDS.

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WARREN COMMUNITY CENTER

Recreation Center

5460 Arden Avenue, Warren, MI 48092



Figure 98: Warren Community Pool, miwarren.com



The Warren Community Center, located in the northwest quadrant, west of Mound Rd.

Figure 97: Warren Community Center Location Map

WARREN COMMUNITY CENTER AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

The Warren Community Center is the City's indoor-outdoor recreation facility. It is located west of Mound Road between Chicago Road and 14 Mile Road on a 48.6-acre site. This facility was opened in January 2003 and was formerly a high school in the Warren Consolidated School District. The Warren Community Center offers 140,000 square feet of floor area.

The main floor consists of two pools one family aquatic type with a large slide, lazy river, and a zero-entry depth pool with a playground structure for children. The second pool is a more conventional type with room for open swim and lap swimming. There is also a speed slide for children ages 12-16 in a section of the second pool. The pool area also has a 24-person therapeutic whirlpool, sauna, and steam room. Adjacent to the pool is a party room for children's birthday parties.

The first floor also includes one large gym, one small gym a multipurpose room which can be used as a gymnasium or banquet hall for catering weddings, showers, banquets, etc. A billiards room, craft room, and senior meeting rooms are also available. There is a fitness center, dance/exercise room and childcare center where people can leave their young children while utilizing the facility.

The City Library also has a branch within the Community Center. Next to the Library is a café that accommodates visitors with light snacks and refreshments. Adjacent to the café there are two courtyards totally enclosed, one with six bocce courts and the other is a passive area landscaped with park benches. The Parks and Recreation Administration Offices along with the city council offices are located on the second floor. The recreation department at this facility offers an extensive range of programs.



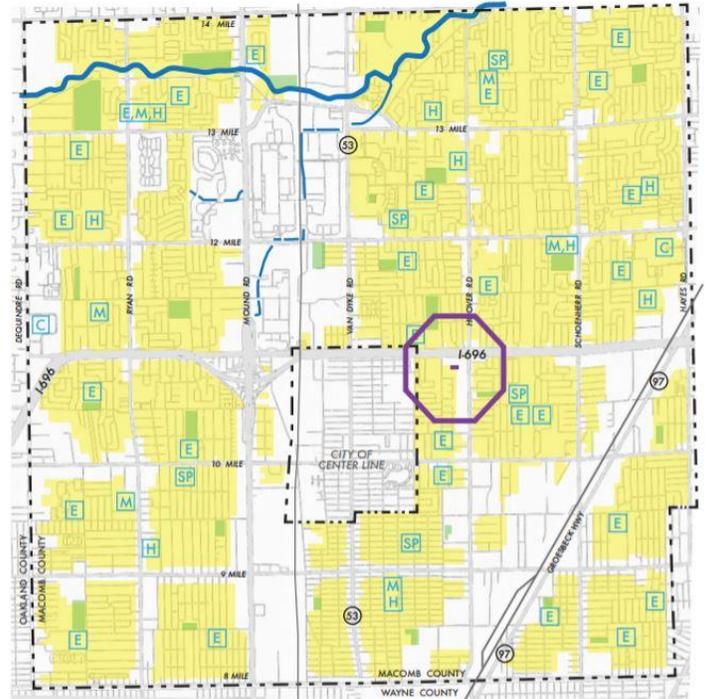
STILWELL MANOR

Recreation Center

26600 Burg Road, Warren, MI 48009



Figure 100: Stilwell Manor, cityofwarren.org



Stilwell Manor, located in the southeast quadrant, west of Hoover Rd.

Figure 99: Stilwell Manor Location Map

STILWELL MANOR AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

Stilwell Manor is a 120-unit low income apartment building owned and operated by the City of Warren for its Senior Citizen population. There are a range of apartments available to accommodate individual needs, with 90 one bed- room apartments, 24 efficiency apartments and 6 two-bedroom apartments. The one-bedroom apartment is approximately 480 square feet. The efficiency apartment is 435 square feet. The two-bedroom units are approximately 740 square feet.



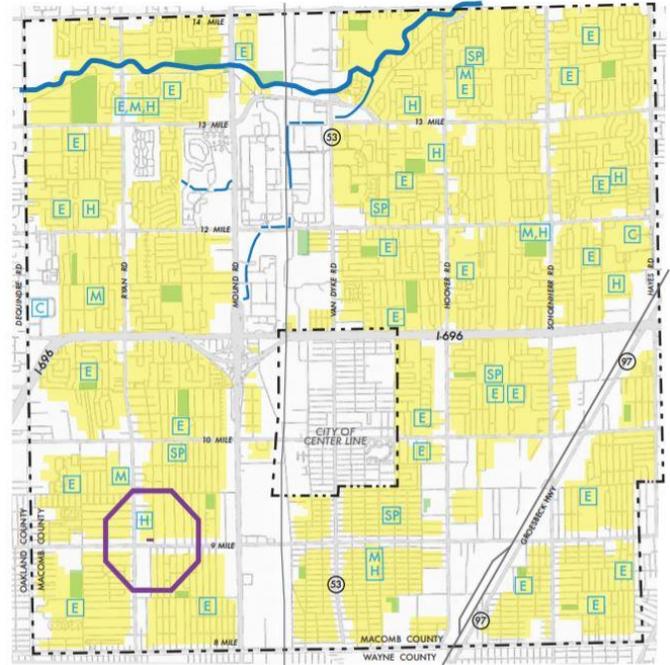
FITZGERALD RECREATION CENTER

Recreation Center

4355 E. Nine Mile Road, Warren, MI 48091



Figure 102: Fitzgerald Recreation Center, cityofwarren.org



Fitzgerald Recreation Center, located in the southwest quadrant, east of Ryan Rd.

Figure 101: Fitzgerald Recreation Center Location Map

FITZGERALD RECREATION CENTER AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

This building is owned by the Fitzgerald School District. The Recreation Department has a 25-year lease to use the property for recreation purposes. The Fitzgerald Recreation Center is a 50±-year-old structure, located at the intersection of Nine Mile Road and Ryan Road in the southwest quadrant of the City. It was renovated in 2008. Prior to this, extensive structural and mechanical improvements were made to the building including new windows, doors, plumbing and heating. The building includes a gym, stage, kitchen, and meeting room.

The Fitzgerald Recreation Center is used for a combination of senior citizen and youth activities. There are a variety of weekly events that take place here, during the afternoon, geared toward senior citizens. The facility accommodates

walking and other forms of exercise, cards, and games. It also has a kitchen so meals can be prepared and shared. Additionally, special events like dances are geared toward senior citizens. There are also events geared toward younger children, like Wacky Wednesdays.

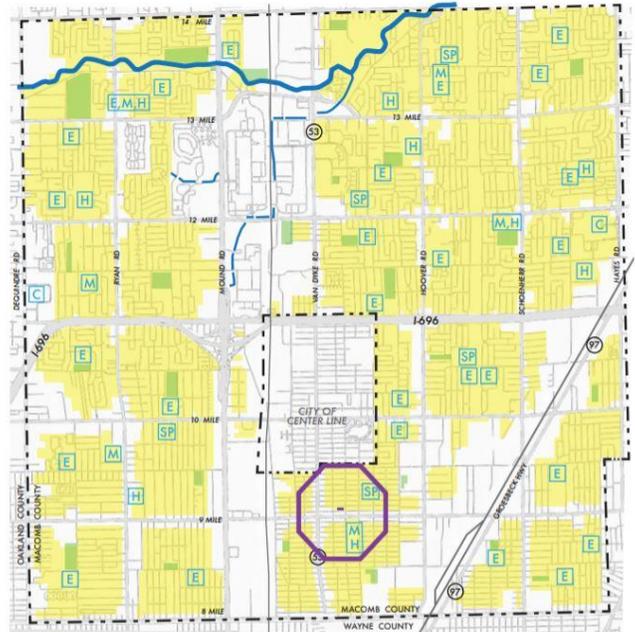
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OWEN JAX RECREATION CENTER

Recreation Center 18,418 sq. ft.
8207 E. Nine Mile Road, Warren, MI 48089



Figure 104: Owen Jax play area, cityofwarren.org



Owen Jax Recreation Center, located in the southeast quadrant, east of Van Dyke rd.

Figure 103: Owen Jax Recreation Center Location Map

OWEN JAX RECREATION CENTER AMENITIES, PROGRAMMING & RECOMMENDATIONS

The Owen Jax Recreation Center is located on East Nine Mile Road, between Automobile and Federal Avenue, on a 3+ acre site. This facility was opened in 1991 and was formerly the site of a church. The two-story building offers 18,481 square feet of floor space. The main floor includes a large, multi-purpose meeting room, flanked on both sides by a series of smaller multi-purpose rooms. A kitchen is located at one end of the building. The second floor is occupied by a gymnasium, suitable for basketball, volleyball, and similar indoor athletic events. Activities offered at this site include arts and craft classes, athletic events for teenagers, a senior citizen drop-in center and teen center.

Since its opening, this facility has been extensively programmed and used. These high activity levels demonstrate the need to expand the building to provide more space for recreation purposes. Phase two developments will enlarge the building to the east and provide for restrooms, showers, weight/fitness rooms and gymnastics.

ANALYSIS OF EXISTING FACILITIES

EXISTING CONDITIONS

From our observations, Warren Parks are well maintained despite aging facilities and park equipment. Many park amenities, like picnic tables, grills and benches were installed at the same time, and may lack some aspect of ADA accessibility that have since become standard. Many of the paved surfaces that serve as surfaced courts for basketball, tennis or roller hockey have significantly deteriorated and need to be removed, repaved or re-purposed.

ACCESSIBILITY

The American with Disabilities Act requires that all citizens have access to all facilities provided by the City, regardless of physical ability. Many of the parks meet the ADA accessibility requirements. DNR Guidelines and checklists provided by the Institute for Human Centered Design and the ADA National Network were used to identify problem areas and develop strategies for park improvements. Our objective was to visit each park site and evaluate all existing site and building features that were not in compliance. From our evaluation, we provided recommendations to be implemented for each park. The Warren Parks and Recreation Department is committed to ensure safe, recreational facilities and are committed to address any existing and any accessibility issues that may arise in the future.

The Warren Parks have some areas where accessibility may be an issue: the parking lot, the path from the parking lot into the park, the comfort stations, and the playground equipment. The comfort stations found in most Warren Parks are typically one of two designs. They do not display the International Symbol of Accessibility and were built prior to current ADA barrier free guidelines. However, comfort stations are normally not accessible to the public and remain locked to the public during park hours unless specifically opened by a park attendant for a rental or a special event. Typical play structures use mulch or pea stones to reduce impact from falls. To keep the pea stones confined to a certain area, raised wood barriers surround the play areas. These wooden boundaries need to be modified to allow ADA access. Many parks have tennis, basketball or roller hockey courts that are in deteriorated condition.

Many park amenities, like picnic tables, grills and benches were installed at the same time, and may lack some aspect of ADA accessibility. However, newer park facilities, such as City Square Park, the Warren Community Center and the renovated Fitzgerald Recreation Center are all compliant with ADA specifications.

REGIONAL RECREATION INVENTORY

A wide variety of regional recreation opportunities are available within a short drive from the City of Warren. Recreational Facilities are provided and maintained by Macomb County, the surrounding Oakland, Wayne, Saint Clair and Lapeer Counties, the State of Michigan, and the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority.

MACOMB COUNTY

Two parks are operated by the Macomb County Parks and Recreation Department: Freedom Hill and the Macomb Orchard Trail. Freedom Hill is located on the south side of Metropolitan Beach Parkway in Sterling Heights. This park is located on a 100+ acre site and is programmed for events like concerts and festivals. A 10,000-square foot indoor recreation center is located on site. This building is available for group picnics, receptions, and other public purposes. Other recreation opportunities are at this site, including picnicking, new playscape, cross-country skiing, basketball, and volleyball.

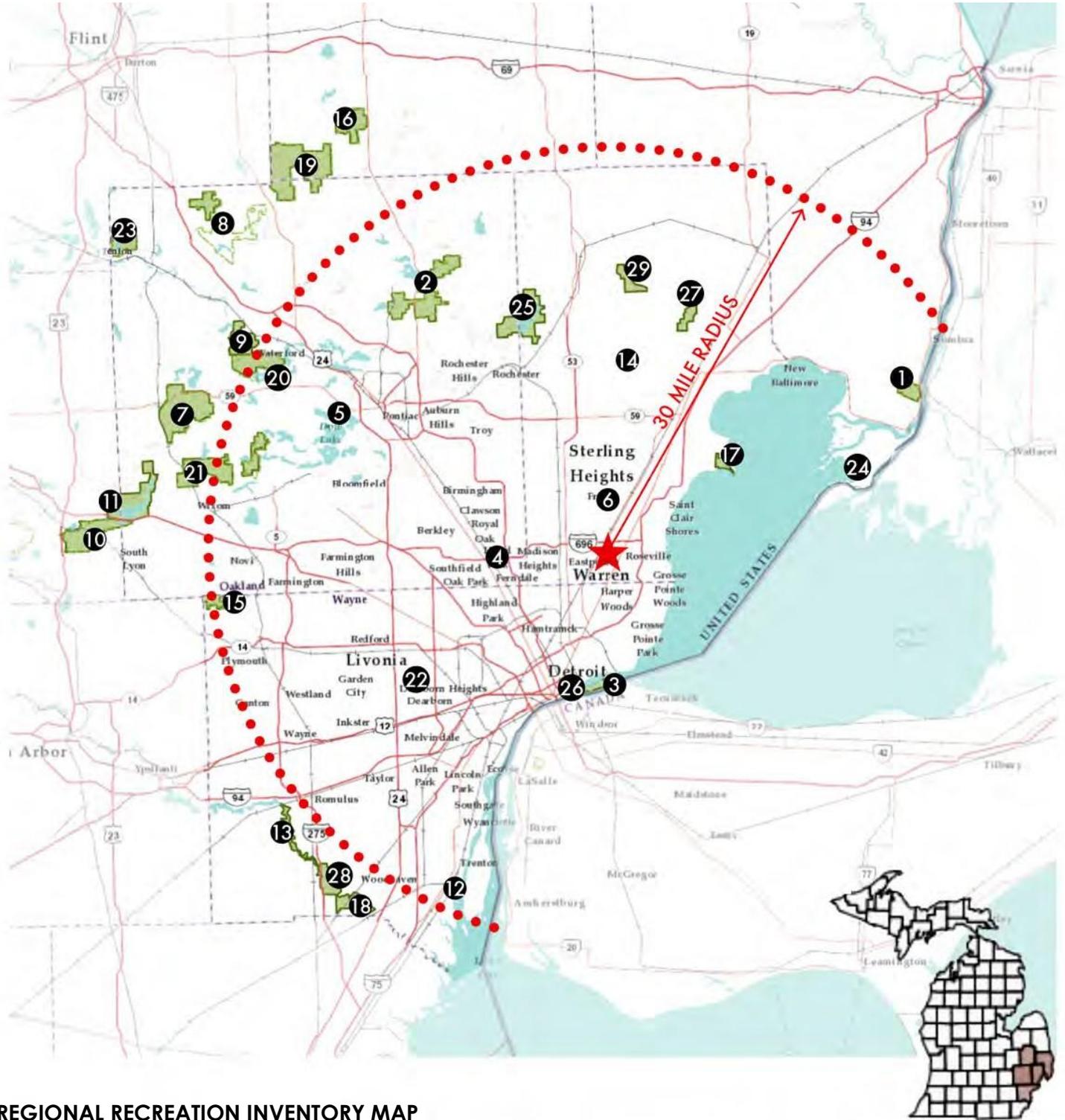
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HURON-CLINTON METROPARKS

The Huron-Clinton Metroparks are a regional park system in Metro Detroit in the U.S. State of Michigan. It is operated by the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA). The park system includes 13 parks totaling 24,000 acres (97 km²) arranged along the Huron River and Clinton River forming a partial ring around the metro area. Three HCMA parks are in Macomb County: Stony Creek Metropark in Washington Township; Metro Beach Metropark in Harrison Township; and Wolcott Mill and Farm in Ray Township. Plans are in development to finish the ring by building hike/bike trails to connect all the parks as a green belt. The parks draw about 9.5 million visitors a year. These parks provide facilities for a wide range of recreational opportunities, which include picnicking, playgrounds, hiking, swimming, boating, fishing, golf, court games, cross-country skiing, ice-skating, and sledding, among others.

STATE PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

Sixteen State parks and recreation areas are in Macomb and surrounding Wayne, Oakland, Lapeer, and St. Clair counties. W.C. Wetzel State Recreation Area is the only state park or recreation area located in Macomb County. The coastal edge of Macomb, Wayne and Saint Clair Counties contain three state harbors. Additionally, seven State Game and Wildlife areas are in these Southeast Michigan counties for additional recreational opportunities. These parks have a combined area of approximately provide a wide range of day use facilities. Common recreational opportunities available at these sites include hiking, swimming, fishing, boating, picnicking, camping, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling, among others.



REGIONAL RECREATION INVENTORY MAP

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|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 Algonac State Park | 11 Kensington Metropark | 21 Proud Lake State Recreation Area |
| 2 Bald Mountain State Recreation Area | 12 Lake Erie Metropark | 22 River Rouge County Park System |
| 3 Belle Isle | 13 Lower Huron Metropark | 23 Seven Lakes State Park |
| 4 Detroit Zoological Park | 14 Macomb Township Recreation Center | 24 St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area |
| 5 Dodge Brother State Park #4 | 15 Maybury State Park | 25 Stony Creek Metropark |
| 6 Freedom Hill County Park | 16 Metamora-Hadley State Recreation Area | 26 Tricentennial State Park (Milliken) |
| 7 Highland State Recreation Area | 17 Metro Beach Metropark | 27 Wetzel State Park |
| 8 Holly State Recreation Area | 18 Oakwoods Metropark | 28 Willow Metropark |
| 9 Indian Springs Metropark | 19 Ortonville State Recreation Area | 29 Wolcott Mill Metropark |
| 10 Island Lake State Recreation Area | 20 Pontiac Lake State Recreation Area | |

REGIONAL RECREATION INVENTORY

STATE FACILITIES	Acreage	Hiking	Swimming	Fishing	Boating	Picnic	Golf	Hunting	Camping	Bike Trail	Snowmobiling	X-Country Skiing	Horseback Riding	Ice Skating	Playground	Sledding	Interpretive Program
Algonac	1307	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	X			X		
Bald Mountain	4637		X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X			X		
Belle Isle		X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X			X		
Dodge No. 4	139		X	X	X	X					X				X		
Highland	5524	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X		
Holly	7670	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X				X		
Island Lake	3466	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X				X		
Maybury	944	X		X		X				X	X	X			X		
Metamora	723	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X			X		
Ortonville	4875	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X		
Pinckney	9994	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X		
Pontiac Lake	3700	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X		X		X		
Proud Lake	3614	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X		
Seven Lakes	1410		X	X	X	X					X	X			X		
St. Clair Flats	25463	X		X	X			X	X								
Tricentennial (Milliken)	1000			X		X											
Wetzel	900	X						X			X	X					
METROPARKS																	
Indian Springs	2224	X	X			X	X			X		X		X	X	X	X
Kensington	4337	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Lake Erie	1590	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Lower Huron	1237	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Metro Beach	770	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X		X	X		X
Oakwoods	179	X		X		X				X		X	X				X
Stony Creek	4461	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X		X	X	X	X
Willow	1531	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Wolcott Mill						X	X						X				X

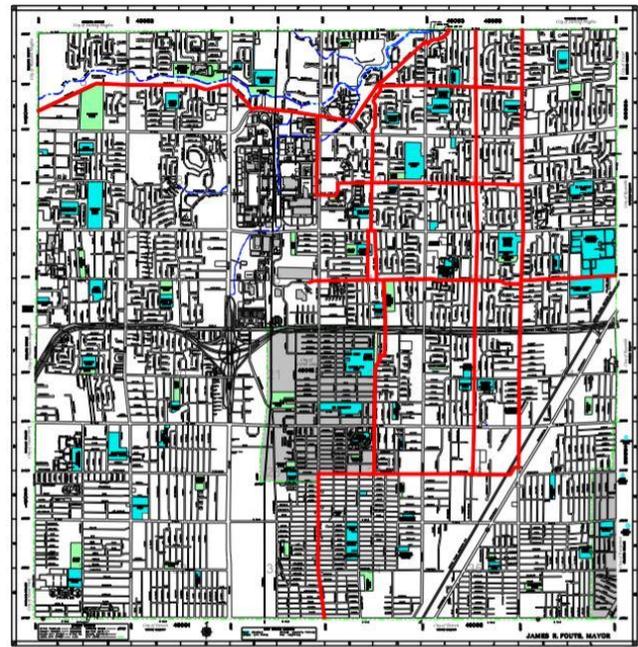
LOCAL AND REGIONAL TRAIL INVENTORY

NON-MOTORIZED TRAIL SYSTEM

The City of Warren and Macomb County have proposed a non-motorized trails system. Locally, bike lanes are integrated into the streetscape to create “complete streets” that safely link neighborhoods through neighborhood and community parks. Regionally, the trails will connect residents from their neighborhood in Warren to the Macomb Orchard Trail. The Macomb Orchard Trail is connected to the Oakland County Trail system for expanded connectivity.

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MAP OF PROPOSED REGIONAL TRAILS THROUGH WARREN



— POTENTIAL PATH

MACOMB COUNTY ORCHARD TRAIL MAP

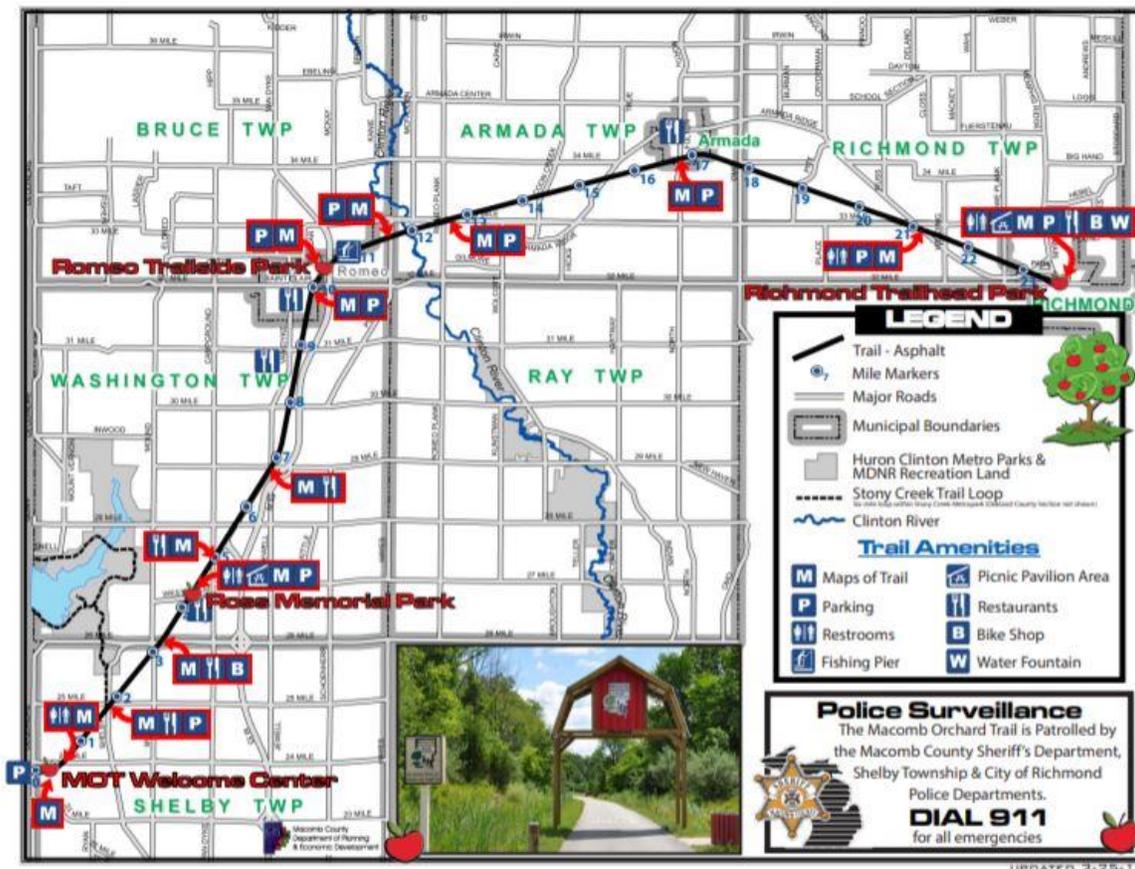


Figure 105: Macomb Orchard Trail Map (macomborchardtrail.macombgov.org)

MAP OF PROPOSED REGIONAL TRAILS THROUGH MICHIGAN TO WISCONSIN



Figure 106: Proposed Regional Trail Map (mlive.com)

The ultimate vision is to create a trail system that runs from Detroit's Belle Isle Park north through the upper peninsula to the state of Wisconsin. Currently, the proposed route through Warren is considered a critical piece in the connection of the trail-way through Metro Detroit.

The following page displays an excerpt from Michigan's Iron Belle Trail proposal that outlines the proposed trail path through the Cities of Warren and Centerline.

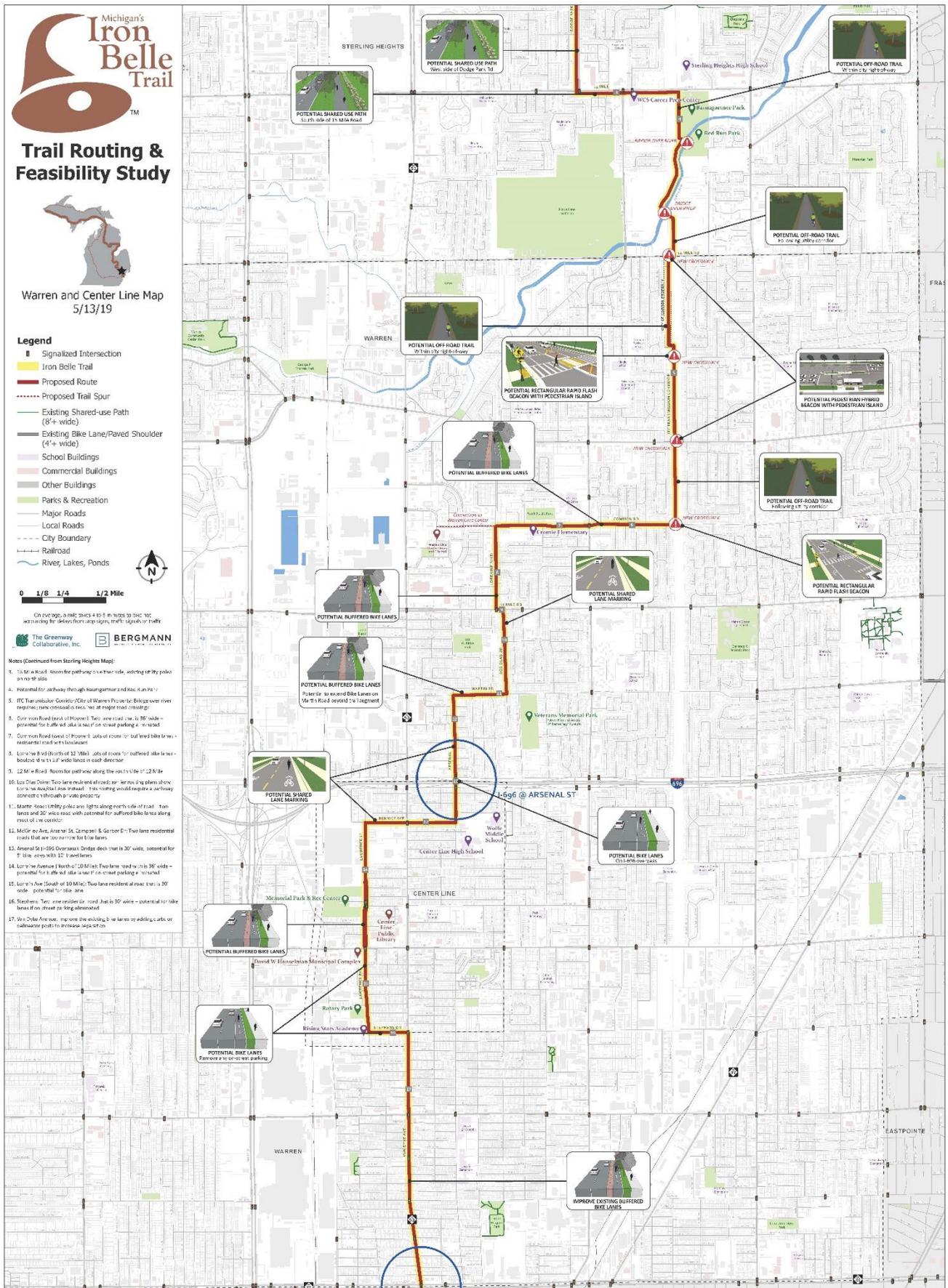


Figure 107: Section 3 of Michigan's Iron Belle Trail Proposal

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**CITY OF WARREN
PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS
PROGRAMS, PARKS & FACILITIES**

COMMUNITY INPUT

METHODS

Preparation of the Warren Parks and Recreation Master Plan was a cooperative effort involving several sectors of the City's population, including recreation participants and those responsible for providing recreation facilities and services to City residents. The above-mentioned process took place in 1991, 1997, 2003, 2007 and 2013. It is the Parks and Recreation Department's intention to update all vital information to stay current for the Department of Natural Resources to meet their criteria for applying for grants. It is also the Parks and Recreation Department's intention to conduct a survey to clearly establish needs based upon grant funding availability.

INPUT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION STAFF AND COMMUNITY OFFICIALS

The Director and Superintendent of the Warren Parks and Recreation Department coordinated the planning process.

PUBLIC INPUT

To gain insight of the opinions and desires of the citizens and stakeholders of Warren, several opportunities were presented to the public to contribute. To gauge public views accurately and comprehensively on recreation issues, DesignTeam Plus sought to get public input using a variety of methods. First, a survey was created and administered on-line, at focus groups and at City municipalities. Second, focus groups were organized and set up in different locations with different interest groups. During these focus groups, interviews were conducted with representatives to provide a clearer understanding of programs and activities that can improve the Warren Parks and Recreation Program.

FACILITIES ANALYSIS

Detailed field analysis was conducted for each City park site in 2014. The analysis included an inventory of all existing park equipment, including its condition and likely life span. Photographs of each park were also taken to visually record this information. In 2020, DesignTeam Plus conducted site visits to update the existing conditions inventory and photograph and document any changes. Due to COVID-19, DesignTeam Plus did not enter any indoor community centers or comfort stations.

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Recreation Plan was presented at two public meetings held by the Recreation Advisory Commission and by City Council.

COMMUNITY SURVEY

DesignTeam Plus developed comprehensive surveys that were administered by the City of Warren electronically on a Facebook link. The nature of the surveys was reviewed and approved by the Parks and Recreation Department before they were administered. Paper surveys were distributed at the local Community Centers for completion by residents. Refer to the Appendices for the surveys.

The survey asks participants the frequency of their visits to the City Parks and Recreation Centers as well as their satisfaction with the performance of the Warren Parks and Recreation services. It also seeks to find out what activities and programs are being used or not and the factors that affect experience in participation or what limiting factors prevent one from participating in parks and recreation activities. Additionally, the survey asks for demographic information as to who the park users are, including age and information about physical impairments. Finally, space is provided to list any improvements that can enhance the Warren Parks experience.

FOCUS GROUPS

FOCUS GROUPS 2014

The intention of the focus meeting was to get the input from as many community members as possible to help improve the experience in parks and recreation programs. The “Workshop in a Box” concept was designed to be easily implemented and replicated for future focus groups to ensure a smoothly running meeting that is consistent in process with other meetings. The documents used for the “Workshop in a Box” are provided in the appendix.

Warren Parks and Recreation Department and Team-4-Community members conducted the following focus group meetings at various locations throughout the city:

- 1/09/2014 - Parks and Recreation board members and workers at WCC.
- 1/16/2014 - Warren Kiwanis Club at DeCarlo's Banquet Hall.
- 1/24/2014 - Senior Groups at the WCC Party Room.
- 1/27/2014 - Friends of the Warren Farmer's Market at WCC.
- 1/28/2014 - Special Needs Groups at WCC Conference Room A.
- 1/31/2014 - Recreation Center Users at Owen Jax.
- 2/04/2014 - Warren's Religious Leaders at WCC.
- 2/05/2014 - Principal, Steve Bigelow, and student advisory group at Cousino High School.

At the first meeting, Team-4-Community presented and demonstrated the “Workshop in a Box” to the focus group participants who will help administer the “workshop” for future meetings. The “Workshop in the Box” included: signage for the meeting, a sign-in sheet to identify participants, instructions for future group leaders, a checklist for procedures and tools to conduct the meeting.

Before the meeting began, a large map was hung on the wall. After signing in, participants were asked to use Post-It notes to locate and identify their residence on the map. This helps with orientation to the parks and opens the discussion to improve the parks and address community concerns. During the round table discussions, each member of the focus group was given two minutes to share ideas and solutions to help benefit Warren Parks. Additional input was given by other participants. The top ideas of each meeting were compiled onto a master list. During the meetings, photographs were taken to document the process.



Figure 108: Focus Group at DeCarlo's Banquet Hall 1/16/2014



Figure 109: Focus Group 1/29/2014

SUMMARY OF FOCUS GROUPS 2014*1/9/2014 WARREN PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES, WARREN COMMUNITY CENTER*

1. Expand Farmer's Market at City Square Park: more vendors, crafts, and ethnic festivals
2. City Bike Paths: local connect to regional
3. Smart Parks: Wi-Fi in parks
4. Add a Skate Park
5. Expand Activities for seniors- popular currently: pickle ball, table tennis, bocce ball
6. Swimming lane expansion in the WCC pool

1/16/2014 WARREN KIWANIS CLUB, DE CARLO'S

1. WCC: Re-stripe parking spaces in library parking lot
2. Bicycle Paths: Interconnected through parks
3. Updated comfort stations
4. More concerts and festivals
5. Recycling in all parks and Double amount of trash receptacles
6. Upgrade the field turf at WCC
7. Wi-Fi throughout Parks (and entire city)
8. Farmer's Market: expand to increase traffic
9. Theatre in Park "Shakespeare @ the Square"
10. Expand Marketing to other communities

1/24/14 SENIOR CITIZEN GROUPS, WCC

1. Bike Path to tie city parks in with regional metro parks
2. Hand sanitizers in parks
3. Little League Baseball affiliations
4. Expand fitness center
5. More trash receptacles in parks
6. Kettle bells in fitness center
7. Outdoor Pickle Ball Courts
8. ADA Door at west entrance of WCC
9. Keep Warren Farmers Market open year-round, create a structure that allows this and can provide other amenities like a coffee or sandwich shop.
10. Ethnic Festivals at City Square Park
11. More parking at WCC, wider parking spaces
12. Update lighting in multi-purpose room at WCC
13. Sprinkler/Splash parks
14. More walking paths

1/27/14 FARMER'S MARKET, WCC

1. Improved ADA access to parks
2. Ethnic Festivals dedicated to minorities
3. Invite food trucks
4. Develop Kraft Park
5. More Winter Activities at City Square park, including fireplace or tent or warming hut
6. Gun Range and Firearms educational program
7. Fishing Ponds (Bates Park)
8. Landscaped walking and hiking paths
9. Improved wayfinding from park to park
10. Healthy living/cooking programs and commercials to promote Warren Farmers Market
11. Friends of Warren Farmers Market Memberships

1/28/14 SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNITY, WCC CONFERENCE ROOM

1. Improve Security in parks using lights or cameras or patrols of volunteers, specifically, Halmich Park, by the soccer fields in summer evenings
2. Fitness center for kids: new activities like a bounce house
3. Expand social activities for special needs kids: dances, sports, fitness, special Olympics, karaoke
4. Busse Park: Transform or remove Tennis Courts
5. More accessible parks for dogs: promote/advertise for Burdi Dog park, regulate non-dog parks
6. Remove old signage at Halmich Park
7. Re-open outdoor pool at Veterans Park
8. Update Comfort Stations
9. Field Trips: provide transportation and tickets to Tigers Baseball Games
10. Integrate awareness to special needs into recreation facilities
11. Create a nature center with educational components
11. Use volunteers to help govern parks
12. One outdoor park dedicated to ADA facilities: Field of Dreams

1/31/14 OWEN JAX FOCUS GROUP

1. Field Trips for Recreation Center users to places like the Detroit Institute of Arts or the Henry Ford Museum
2. Clear visibility from homes or roads into parks to increase security
3. Find ways to better spread information about activities
4. Reactivate the outdoor pool at Veteran's Park
5. Improve visibility of postings that promote programs and events at Owen Jax

2/4/14 RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUP

1. Underwood Park and Winters Park have a neighborhood watch group that would like to see more organized activities in these parks
2. Possibility to schedule church services in the parks
3. Churches can have picnics in parks to feed neighbors and to get acquainted
4. Get wi-fi in the parks
5. Add an amphitheater in one of the parks, possibly one that is more isolated from residential development
6. Open restrooms in parks more often
7. Upgrade or renovate restrooms in the parks
8. Possibly sell some of the park land that does not get a lot of use and use the revenue to upgrade other parks
9. Get more people involved in fixing up parks through schools
10. Get the churches to organize activities or develop programs to help improve parks
11. Expand the hours of the farmers' market
12. Have Parks and Recreation department go out to churches and promote programs
13. Send informational letter out to all homeowners asking them to keep an eye out for the parks
14. Look at more advertising to generate revenue from the parks (banners/signs)
15. Look into expanding the ice ring at city square
16. Look into the possibility of opening an indoor ice rink

2/5/14 COUSINO HIGH SCHOOL FOCUS GROUP

1. Work with school sports programs to offer fitness programs during the offseason, use parks to host training camps
2. Add open volleyball to the WCC schedule for girls VB teams to practice
3. Offer a "teen night" at facilities with different themes
4. Run a "Powder Puff" Football league through Parks and Recreation Department
5. Offer a teen swim night at the WCC
6. Use student organizations like NHS, leadership, or student council to distribute information about Parks and Recreation
7. Offer different types of teen parties: i.e. Black Light
8. Run a haunted house through the Parks and Rec Department
9. Run teen dances involving all schools in Warren at the WCC
10. Have the Warren Birthday Bash dedicate days to different age groups: kids, teens, and adults
11. Set up an advisory committee out of the high schools to meet periodically and discuss their interests with the Warren Parks and Recreation Department
12. Schedule staff in the parks in the evening to make a fun and safe environment for teens
13. Add a paint-ball facility run through the Parks and Recreation department
14. Sledding hills
15. Outdoor community pool
16. Indoor ice-skating rink

FOCUS GROUPS 2020

DesignTeam Plus organized several dates to meet in person for Focus Groups with the community, residents as well as the City Council members. However, due to COVID-19, all in-person Focus Groups had to be canceled the week of March 24, 2020.

On October 5, 2020 and October 6, 2020 from 7:00pm - 8:00pm, DesignTeam Plus conducted "Zoom" Focus Group meetings with breakout sessions for area residents to respond to ten questions that were facilitated by DesignTeam Plus.

SUMMARY OF FOCUS GROUPS 2020

10/5/20 DISTRICTS 1 – 3, ZOOM FOCUS GROUP A

1. How satisfied are you with overall park safety and security?
 - Security is terrible
 - Need more lighting at park located at Campbell and Common Road, bathrooms need to be opened and accessibility issues
 - Parks are okay on lighting since they close at 9pm, does not see an issue with security
 - Parking lots at parks need to be plowed during snow events
 - Parks are disgusting, trash and unnecessary items are found throughout, used contraceptives and drug paraphernalia, need more police patrols
2. How satisfied are you with the cleanliness & maintenance of the restrooms?
 - Not maintained – old – not taken care of – ADA requirements not met – city solution to lock the doors
 - Bathrooms old, filthy, hard for folks who are disabled
 - Halmich Park restrooms need to be renovated
3. How important is having play structures?
 - Very important in the south end
 - Need more designed for special needs such as autism and movement disabilities
 - Would like to see more like at Underwood Park, common slides, and swings. Need to be creative and something that the kids would like to play on.
 - More natural environment for children to experience nature– play in nature – use recycled plastic or more natural materials
 - Would like to see a fishing pond, more natural recreation
4. What amenities do you currently use at the parks?
 - walk for exercise
 - Cannot use the parks since they do not have functioning restrooms – need to make them senior citizen friendly
 - Uses the parks a couple of times per week for walking
 - Create a fishing pond and wetlands

5. Are the parks accessible for all your family members?
 - See above comments regarding ADA issues and non-accessible restrooms
 - Need benches for seniors
6. Would your family utilize a dog park?
 - One resident I work at a dog rescue and have several dogs and would like to have a place for them to go and use.
 - Current Warren dog park is too small
 - Recent Tour of the parks and noticed that the dog park was the most active out of all of them.
7. Would you use the park for pickle ball?
 - Yes, would like to see one
 - Need one along with other activities to get more families to come to Warren instead of traveling to Sterling Heights
8. Do you agree that the Warren Parks and facilities preserve nature and open space?
 - No place do they do this, would like to see a butterfly garden and meditation park, pond, Warren parks ignore nature
 - We must travel outside of the city to see nature in a park
 - Would like to see Warren purchase the Chrysler property since it is wooded, and he and his wife walk that property. Would like to have parks with trails.
9. Do you agree that the Warren Parks facilities preserve nature and open space?
 - Three Residents said: No
 - One Resident said yes...since they are better than just having concrete
10. Do you agree that Warren Parks & Recreation increase community pride?
 - No, need to expand on program
 - No, need more organized community activity to care for neighborhood parks to bring residents together, need at least two well designed skate parks that are not just ramps in a parking lot. Need community parks.

10/5/2020 DISTRICTS 1 – 3, ZOOM FOCUS GROUP B

1. How satisfied are you with overall park safety and security?
 - Parks are currently dangerously underlit & asphalt paving needs repair and resurfacing. There is a lot of broken equipment i.e.: Park benches at Veterans' memorial park have been broken for years
 - Busse park has many issues:
 - Metal coming out of ground
 - Cement foundations for play equipment coming out of ground 6-12"
 - Walking path uneven and cracked with many potholes
 - Resident sees the park utilized a lot for people biking
 - This park has been utilized more during COVID than ever:
 - Kids play soccer games
 - Tennis courts not usable at tennis courts – resident has seen them used as cricket courts; families utilize them for roller blading

2. How satisfied are you with the cleanliness & maintenance of the restrooms?
 - Never open – Butcher & Halmich
3. How important is having the play structures?
 - Very important – agreed on by all
 - Old playground equipment from 80s in most parks
 - Hartsig and Veterans park have been updated
 - Butcher or Licht has equipment over 40 years old with broken chains on swings
 - Rough spots on slides that are too uneven for kids to slide on
 - Miller Park has no playground equipment? Inventory recommended
4. What do you currently use at the parks?
 - Walking & exercise
5. Are the parks accessible for all your family members?
 - Veterans park parking lot is unusable – one resident stated, “you have to drive 20 mph to get up that driveway or you’ll fall in a pothole”
 - Toepfer & Shaw Park are not accessible specifically for visibility & lighting after dark
6. Would your family use a dog park?
 - Resident is concerned about the current use of Ridgewood Park
 - Many residents bring their dogs off their leashes to this park and let them run free
 - She has witnessed several vicious dog attacks and a couple neighborhood dogs have been injured or killed because of this (neighbor’s chihuahua died)
 - One Resident does not want to encourage bringing dogs into the neighborhood where homeowners live with their dogs
 - The current location of the dog park is not ideal. Look to surrounding cities for their dog park location – all are situated on a main road, easily accessible and not within an existing industrial complex. We need a dog park, the current one does not serve the City’s needs any longer
7. Would you use the park for pickle ball?
 - Nobody knows what pickleball is...
8. Do you agree that the Warren Parks and facilities preserve nature and open space?
 - Parks need to create a ‘happy balance’ and not be strictly a nature park or children’s park. Her kids love the nature aspect, but want to see play equipment as well
 - Has noticed several deceased trees in the parks that are not being removed, Ridgewood Park
 - Trees hit by lightning and not removed or replaced
 - Butcher park – a lot of trees that are dead and need to be removed
9. Do you agree that Warren Parks & Recreation increase livability?
 - No response
10. Do you agree that Warren Parks & Recreation increase community pride?
 - Yes
 - Absolutely

11. Any other recommendations for the Parks and Recreation:

- Suggests inventory be taken of the parks. There are major problems in each park in Warren that he has visited, the parks are fair to poor mostly, long term development plans are needed
- Warren has missed opportunities in the parks. Since Liberty Park of Sterling heights has closed, Warren could be hosting the softball tournaments, but Warren is not equipped to handle the softball leagues out of Sterling Heights that should logically be turning to Warren. Review would be done to determine what parks in the City of Warren are accessible to areas outside of the City
 - Halmich Park could host rec leagues
 - Utilization of each of these parks needs to be considered
 - Stated that the City Master Plan has already been completed and they looked at all this park inventory data. All of this should be compiled already
- Resident said she lives between 10 Mile & Frazho
 - The changing neighborhood dynamic: 35 homes in her neighborhood have sold since January
 - All have been sold to young families with 2-4 children in each
 - Few elderly residents remain
 - Parks need to cater to the changing dynamic of the neighborhood
- Resident has also witnessed a lot of the original owners leaving the neighborhood, being replaced with younger families
 - Households with multiple children have moved in and kids are looking for things to do
 - They currently have fields to play in, let us give them something more
- Ridgewood Park resident: The City's Environmental Committee has had conversations with Dino and this is supposed to be maintained as a *nature park*. Any play equipment needs to be different than the surrounding neighborhood park equipment.
 - Councilmember stated that his family would love a skate park – he frequents Sterling Heights for his daughter
 - Butcher Park: There were 16 swings when he was a kid; there is currently 2, and one is typically unreachable. Families with multiple kids should be able to swing at once
 - Bring back BBQ pits next to the picnic tables with a place for the disposal of hot coals
 - Accessibility to pavilions and bathrooms should be increased
 - City rents pavilions – there are not enough garbage cans for party rentals, causing trash to be left behind frequently

10/6/2020 DISTRICT 4, ZOOM FOCUS GROUP

1. How satisfied are you with overall park safety and security?
 - Needs more security
2. How satisfied are you with the cleanliness & maintenance of the restrooms?
 - Need more trash bins and spaced out across the park. Cannot comment on restroom since they keep them locked most of the time. Asked why the restrooms are painted green and why not have students paint them with a mural.
3. How importance is having play structures?
 - Very important since this is where they see most of the kids playing.
 - Resident Heads the environment diversity committee for Ridgewood Park and would like to see play structures integrated into the nature of the park
4. What amenities do you currently use at the parks?
 - Residents responded Constantly uses the park to walk and walk their dogs
 - Would like to see gardens in the park that are native to Michigan with name plates so that residents who see them and like them can plant the same at their home.
5. Are the parks accessible for all your family members?
 - Butcher Park has no ADA accommodations. Need more sloped curbs leading to the park, need pathways through the park and need access to play areas
6. Would your family utilize a dog park?
 - "HELL YES!!! "
 - Would like to see more since they have three dogs. They do not use the current one in Warren since it is too small.
 - No would not use a dog park since they do not own dogs.
7. Would you use the park for pickle ball?
 - They would not use it personally, but her daughter would use a Pickle Ball Court. Asked why the tennis courts were removed from Butcher park, Dino could not answer since this was done prior to his appointment the Warren Parks and Rec.
 - This is a popular sport and would like to see some in Warren to help attract outside visitors to the City and its parks. Possible have them in conjunction with a tennis Court.
8. Do you agree that the Warren Parks and facilities preserve nature and open space?
 - As a certified master Gardener, No, Warren does not preserve nature unless you consider sod as nature.
 - No, they do not unless you like looking at a park that looks like your neighbor's back yard, all grass and sod.
9. Do you agree that the Warren Parks and Recreation increase liability?
 - Yes, only since it is better than pavement and it is green
 - No since he has watched and videoed the City of Warren spraying Round Up on and around park equipment which residents and children
10. Do you agree that Warren Parks & Recreation increase community pride?
 - Only if the parks were better maintained and designed like those of Sterling Heights
 - Noted that Warren should have themes for their parks to create a destination place for outside visitors to come to and enjoy. Also mentioned beautifying the spaces with

art and paintings that could also be educational i.e. steps painted with numbers or math equations. They also noted utilizing the Red Run as a natural backdrop of trails, walkways, and attractions.

11. Open Discussion Topics

- Community Parks
 - Came up in discussion with the development of Ridgewood Park and there are concerns with liability and citizen commitment and follow thru.
 - Dino (From Warren Parks and Recreation Dept) noted that Warren has a “Adopt A Park,” program that was started through the DPW along with adopt a road. He is going to share the information on the Warren parks and Rec. page since the residents were not aware of it. He continued to note that the following parks are getting updated (Miller, Busse, Hartsig and Ridgewood) and that the budget for these updates were approved by the mayor. He anticipates working on 4-5 parks per year.
 - Skate park would be great residents commented
 - Possible Mural design on the existing exterior of the restrooms
 - Residents cited cracked and dangerous pavement in parking lots & walking paths, as well as lack of trash receptacle.
- Native Plants and features:
 - Discussed the addition of native plants and that introduction of them to a park would flourish with minimal upkeep. Since they grow dense, they would choke out weeds. She noted that to maintain the Master Garden Certification they must complete 10 hours of community service and attend CEU courses. This can be promoted through the parks department and Master Gardeners are always looking for opportunities. She will notify both Wayne County and Macomb County members that Warren is looking for assistance.
 - Noted that butterfly gardens can be a large component of the parks and reference gardens in Detroit.
- Exercise courses:
 - Noted that parks need activities to attract visitors and proposed an example of an exercise course circuit to promote Warren as a health city.

OCTOBER 2020 FACEBOOK SUGGESTIONS

The following comments were taken from the Warren City Council Facebook posts about the focus group meetings:

- “I like the skate park idea, it's good for BMX bikes too. So many kids skateboard and ride bikes in the streets. The skate park would keep them all safe. Halmich Park would be a good place since it's kinda central, but I'm sure there are plenty of open spaces like Altermatt Park or Racine, or any number of the elementary schools that have been torn down.”

- “With a skatepark you give a platform for almost every age a place to socialize and exercise. Nearly every city in Oakland County has a skatepark, it makes the community more desirable for young families and brings in outside businesses.”
- “Like we need more tennis courts? Every time I go to the parks, no matter which, the bathrooms are disgusting, or not even opened. Maybe a key pass for residents? Why do we need a key pass for the dog park if all the parks are open to dogs? My dogs don't get along with other dogs, so I only take them to parks occasionally.”
- “I know and realize that money and finances are very tight in our district and our city. I also know you realize the importance of physical fitness and safety in the middle of this global pandemic. With the continued threat of COVID-19 in our gyms and fitness centers, outdoor exercise has become much more popular. We have a park in District 3, Rents Park, I would like to see some amenities added to it. But the main thing I would like to humbly ask our council is if we can redo the concrete walking path along it. There are cracks all along the cement, and I would love for it to be repaved. Maybe put some nice lighting around the path.”
- A Mother who homeschools her two children and utilizes the parks for gym and health classes, suggests the following:
 - Bathrooms to be open more
 - WIFI so they could bring a laptop and sit outside at the park and work at the park
 - It is important that the play structures be cleaned and maintained
- Licht Park is a possible place to install a Tree Runner Adventure Park with the mature, tall trees
- “We wanted to join the meeting by Zoom tonight but the evening got away from us. One request we have is that Warren look into building a sledding hill on one of its parks. It would also be great to see a bandshell built at one of the parks for a future art fair or festival. Thanks for your time. I've read the 2015 plan and hope that walking trails are added to Austin Dannis which is the park near us.”

SURVEY RESULTS

The Warren Parks and Recreation Department and the Department of Natural Resources required a survey to collect input from as many Warren Residents as possible. The full extent of the data collected, and copies of the surveys are available in the appendix.

DISTRIBUTION

The survey was distributed both online and through physical copies available at the Warren Recreation Center and Municipal Offices. The online survey was hosted through *Surveys for Pages* and posted on the City Parks and Recreation Website, their Facebook page, and the link was shared by several residents to their own private Facebook pages for completion.

WARREN PARK USE

Question 1: Have you or others in your household visited any Warren Parks and Recreation facilities over the past year?

Based on the survey results, some parks are frequented more by Warren Residents. 98.9% of survey respondents stated that yes, members of their household have visited a Warren Parks and Recreation facility in the past year.

Question 2: If yes, please check how frequently you or other members of your household have visited the following parks over the past year.

The most visited park is the Warren Community Center, with 43.2% of the respondents having visited 12+ times over the past year, followed by City Square Park/Fountain, where 36.1% of respondents visited between 1 and 5 times in the past year.

Have you or others in your household visited any Warren Parks and Recreation facilities over the past year?

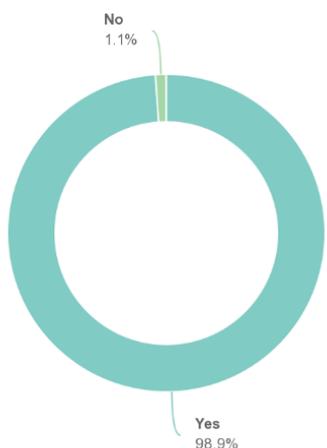


Figure 111: Question 1 Response, 11/2020

If yes, please check how frequently you or other members of your household have visited the following parks over the past year:

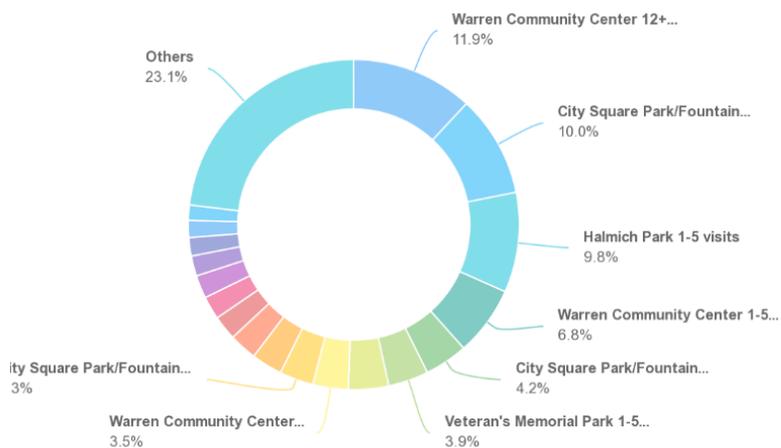


Figure 111: Question 2 Response, 11/2020

AVAILABILITY OF PARKS

Question 3: Do you live within 30 minutes walking distance of one of the parks listed above?

The survey concluded that 86.8% of survey respondents live within a 30-minute walk from a City of Warren park.

Do you live within 30 minutes walking distance of one of the parks listed above?

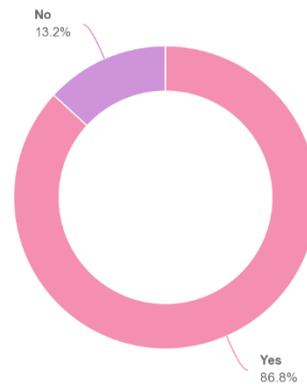


Figure 112: Question 3 Response, 11/2020

WHAT IMPROVEMENTS RESIDENTS WANT TO SEE IN THE PARKS

Question 4: What improvements would you like to see at the parks and/or recreation facilities that you have visited? List improvements by park.

- "Butcher Park: Replace playground equipment; replace gravel ground cover with something softer; add more benches surrounding the play structure for parents, clean up litter (bullet casings, garbage, broken glass) and add more garbage cans to encourage proper trash disposal General: More shade, trails, nature Wish List: Outdoor pool."
- "Jaycee- It would be nice if the bathrooms were available for use (post COVID, if there is a post COVID). Also, maybe some signs about using trash receptacles. I'm constantly finding broken glass on the tracks and/or around the playgrounds, as well as other trash. Black kids deserve clean parks, too. Maybe organize a community trash pickup day, I'm not sure what parks and rec does, if there are employees who clean the parks. I'm always picking it up when I'm there. Thank you. We really do love the parks."
- "Rinke Park bathroom open more often."
- "Stronger enforcement of fitness equipment sanitizing by patrons or attendant does more."
- "Better park signs. the sign at Hartsig is crooked and obstructs inward view of the park. My opinion is that the parks would benefit from more aesthetic signs as well. Perhaps something more nature-centric instead of the electric blue signage we now have."
- "Shaw Park: Needs more naturalized features like a wildflower meadow where the tennis courts were removed; native plants and trees. Some park benches around the wildflower meadow. Less turf grass. A solution to walkways flooding over. Water features that would support wildlife like ducks or herons. We saw a couple ducks in a puddle there last week feeding. A drinking fountain should be in every park. The only one I've seen is at Licht. I'd rather see these improvements than a frisbee golf course. Busse Park: The tennis courts are in pretty good shape with minor repair to the surface needed. 3 more posts are needed and 2 nets. The soccer goals look pretty good at a glance, except for the nets which could be replaced. Steinhauser Park: needs some new park benches. Warren CC Park: running track badly needs repair. Beebe Park: has potential for a duck pond and a wildflower meadow on the East side; Some walking paths and park benches would be nice. And of course, getting rid of the junk. Eckstein Park: extend the wild area along the Red Run out another 10-15' into the turf grass area and have a walking path go through it. The area around the playground is quite waterlogged after a rain. Refurbish that great slide trio and merry-go-round. Licht Park: There are lots of great trees here, but an extensive drainage problem. Maybe plant some native plants known for efficient water absorption. Rentz Park: really nice little park. Just needs the path elevated in some

spots that get overrun with water. Veteran's Park: this park looks pretty good. Maybe repaint the shuffleboard courts. Any help you could give to the community gardens would be great. That's all :)"

- "I was recently jumped by two loose dogs while walking on the park. I really would like to see the Steinhouser park turned back into a Dog Free Zone. I'm not saying that owners should not be allowed to walk your pets, but we should be able to go to a park and not feeling unsafe."
- "The dog park needs lots of work. Too much standing water, it's just sad for our dog to use. Better restroom facilities, all should be ADA compliant in all parks. How does the third largest city in Michigan not have an outdoor swimming pool?"
- "The lights in the main gym at the community center are a disgrace. Please upgrade! In addition, there is absolutely no reason why the main gym should not be used for pickleball on the weekend. This is what the seniors want the most!"
- "More dog parks, one within a neighborhood and not so industrial."
- "More chairs available for the Senior Aerobics classes. More benches in the entrance area of the community center."
- "Outside pool at Warren Community Center."
- "Remove traffic speed bumps from parking lot at WCC or just remove/grind down the height of them. It's rough on the car."
- "The park at Owen Jax is locked 50% of the time I go there with my grandchildren. There seems to be no specific time for it to be locked. It could be a Tuesday afternoon or a Sunday morning. We're always taking a chance when we go there and it's a great disappointment to the children when we walk there, and it's locked up. I don't understand why any public park should be locked up during the day. If it has to be locked at least post the times it is open & closed for those of us that use it."
- "Owen Jax, new mulch for ground play, toddler ages 2-4 play area that would be safe for them to play. The current play scape needs some repair. It also needs cleaning regularly. We often see used condoms, trash around the play area. Maybe add a few trash cans that can be emptied daily. Halmich Park would benefit from updated playscapes, new playground rubber mulch or rubber tiles. Butcher needs some updates as well. Some of the play area is broken. With all the land it would be nice to see a water splash pad placed there."
- "Halmich park restrooms are GROSS. I also think that when the park is open the restrooms should be open, even if there is no event."
- "Rinke park's play set. New additional developments and features."
- "Upkeep. I have submitted recommendations on how to improve and update or at least make safe Austin-Dannis park. The city needs to partner with other community stakeholders to fund the improvement and upkeep on the parks. There are foundations that specifically for funding green space improvements. We have several very large corporations in Warren that could easily fund some much needed projects. To build Warren the projects need to be focused south of 696 where the parks are neglected compared to those north of 696. Overall, simply creating a preventive maintenance program and funding upkeep will save money in the long run instead of having to replace items that are beyond repair."
- "Splash pad, ice rink, Warren community center. New tables, better landscape at Halmich. Playground equipment needs TLC."
- "Cleanliness, safety, working and open restrooms, etc."
- "I would love to see a few benches installed along the oval at Licht park."
- "Finish Miller park."
- "More nature spaces (more than trees)."
- "Open the restrooms at all parks."
- "Update and clean playground equipment."
- "Fix all the broken playground equipment get rid of the pile of wood chips in parking lot."
- "Please make the family bathroom at the parks and recs pool area for families only. The bathrooms are always being used and occupied by single, senior men and women. While parents with their young children (babies and toddlers) must wait or change by the door. It is so rude and make my

experience at the pool so horrible I almost don't want to take swim classes with my kids. Please make it families only."

- "Have the bathrooms open please."
- "I would love for the city to do something with Racine park which was not even listed! The fence is broken and ugly. A walkway around the perimeter would be great so it could be used and list the distance around it on a sign. Maybe hauling out the dead trees and logs so kids could run in it- you know, make it look like a park. Also, at Licht you need to lock the gate that stops cars from driving all back there to tables and pavilion where children are running round."
- "Sidewalks cleared of excessive wet leaves and mud."
- "Cleaned up."
- "Better trained lifeguards that know how to talk to people."
- "New park play set at Rinke park it is all rusted and unselfish for kids to play on."
- "More color, parks are quite bland. Gym facilities would use new weights and be cleaner."
- "Restrooms open with attendants to monitor them."
- "Finish the remodel on the dog park. Bring back the key fob lock on the dog park gate."
- "Warren Community Center Gym: 1. need new paint on the walls and ceiling, air duct pipes. This is overdue and easy fix. 2. new audio speakers in the gym, some are missing/not working well by the weight area."
- "All- Safe Clean Open toilets with resident only access All- Staffed with some kind of maintenance/ security persons All- Dedicated Police patrol roll/walk thru All- Organized nature, sciences, health events."
- "Haven't been to Halmich park in a few years as the playground equipment was bad and hate the pea gravel at the one. Also, the pea gravel at the playground at the community center."
- "More security get teen out hanging place for them smoking extra."
- "Pool at community center needs an upgrade."
- "Cleanliness of locker rooms at community center."
- "Improve parking lots."
- "Ridge wood property looks ghetto with that shabby fence. Take it down and give access!!! Please."
- "Butcher- overall very kept up. Would like to see the picnic tables in playground lowered though. They are SO high that it's very hard for me to sit on them, and I'm an adult. I'd never put my kids up there because it's way too high! There are other tables though, so we sit on those. Community center park- playground needs some work. Some missing pieces to things. Overall, though, a nice playground and we enjoy going there. Community center- This is my real advice... I'd LOVE to see a workout class on Saturday morning!!!! Body pump is totally full mon/wed/fri and I'm sure that a Saturday morning class would be also. I know there's a swimming class but it's honestly not even close to the same as a real workout class in the gym. Could a Zumba, body pump, aerobics, kickboxing, Tabata, Pilates, or ANY class be added? I think it would boost attendance on Saturdays there as well. We are a huge city and don't offer classes on Saturday mornings when most people are off work. How is that even possible? I'm a member there and end up going to a different place for Saturday morning workout classes. Halmich- needs work in several areas. The tube slides are too fast for little kids and are very dangerous. My nephew went headfirst and ended up shooting out so hard that he landed several feet away on his face. I've seen several other kids do similar things and it's very unsafe. The "farm" playground could use some picnic tables near the playground area or some sort of seating. The rocking things in that area are all broken except 1 or 2 and it just looks very trashy."
- "More trash cans, security."
- "Newer playground equipment at Veterans and Halmich parks. Bathrooms available at Veterans."
- "Winters: Update bathroom and playground equipment. Provide Parks & Rec programs for this location. This park is used by local children and they don't take surveys."
- "Bathrooms maintained and accessible."
- "Grass cut more frequently at the parks."
- "It would be GREAT if Veterans park has an asphalt path around it for biking and rollerblading."

- “Bathrooms open during day and in good condition at Licht park. Playground equipment replaced at Licht park to be safe and modernized. Family locker room expansion at Warren Community Center, there is nowhere near enough rooms, more needed in addition to people with handicap needs sharing that locker room. Halmich park has the space and could be an awesome venue if modernized to hold more community events, modeled after Dodge Park in Sterling Heights, to have a stage for live music, and could be a nicer venue for Warren’s farmers market, movies in the park, festivals, etc.”
- “Halmich, skate park. Rinke, upgrade everything, anywhere, really good disc golf, open the bathrooms everywhere and update bathrooms!”
- “Better parking.”
- “Bathrooms should be open later, especially during spring/summer months.”
- “All of them need to be better maintained in terms of garbage on property, graffiti on buildings, inaccessible toilets, dilapidated play structures literally rusting. I am a part of a local clean up group and my small children accompany us. At every park I have had to check all structures and make areas off limits due to the poor conditions.”
- “Rinke Park: repairs to the equipment (i.e. broken swings, etc.)”
- “Update playground equipment please! More/Better swings.”
- “Licht -Bathroom facilities improved -Park repairs/renovation.”
- “Add better seating. Also add a better toddler play area.”
- “Update the restrooms.”
- “Community center fitness facilities need to be updated. People want classes. Kickboxing, cycling, more things cardio. All the gyms in the area offer classes. For the membership price for the Comm. Center you get a membership elsewhere with better gyms and classes.
- Far too many to list... Other than squirrels, the parks and recreation program is little more than maintaining the appearance of the Parks... P and R used to have GREAT programs for kids... Now NOTHING for kids... Parks and Recreation used to have yr. around programs afterschool and evening and the BEST 8-week summer program for kids anywhere in Michigan... Now we have Parks-- empty albeit well maintained--... But no recreation unless bingo is considered recreation... P and R in our city is a joke.”
- “I would like to have the ice rinks back for hockey. The City Hall rink is nice, but no hockey. Can a hill be manufactured for sledding in the winter? There is a lot of room at Veteran Memorial Park. Trying to find more winter outdoor activities. Also, better lighting at the parks.”
- “Our tax dollars paid for a very expensive Zamboni ... USE IT!!! The ice at City Square Rink was chewed tonight. I talked with other skaters there and they said it had not been touched since Wednesday. It needs to be Zamboni’d at least when they open for the day. Kids were off school all this week and had to Skate what felt like a gravel road.”
- “Better park signs. The ones we have don’t look professional. Open bathrooms. Send they are always locked. Hartsig.”
- “New play equipment for children.”
- “Skate park and open restrooms security as well. Bringing back the ice rinks would be awesome.”
- “More security to rid the riff raff that sometimes loiters the parks.”
- “Rest rooms, baseball fields improved.”
- “Bathrooms at Halmich need a MAJOR overhaul! My kids play sports there, so we are at Halmich 4 times a week in the spring and fall. Bathrooms are scary and the soccer fields are ill maintained.”
- “Clean them! Broken equipment weeds and garbage everywhere.”
- “Bathrooms opened at Halmich Park. There was some broken playground equipment at Halmich Park when we were there last also (corn maze).”
- “Steinhauser is near my house, would love maybe a tennis court or basketball court. And maybe one or two more streetlights, at night it’s pretty dark. Maybe something for dogs?”
- “The city needs longer walking paths. The paths in the parks are too short.”

- “Burd Park Playground is in great need of attention for safety updates and playground options for the kids.”
- “Improved bathrooms at all of them.”
- “For more options on snacks/food since you can bring your own food.”
- “Fitness path.”
- “Trash seems to be a problem in all the parks I’ve visited. Bathroom facilities are lacking in supplies. Soap, toilet tissue, etc...”
- “Better/open bathrooms. More mulch under play area.”
- “New basketball courts, full court, open bathrooms.”
- “Warren Indoor water park-stop charging people who do NOT swim! I have stopped taking my daughter because I don't agree with having to pay for myself when I don't swim or use the other facilities.”
- “Repave & level walking trail at Licht Park. Trail is very uneven. Hard for elderly to walk without tripping.”
- “Bathroom access, maintenance of playground equipment, supervision so that they don't become overrun with young men and fast cars/drugs like Halmich on Sundays.”
- “Better lighting.”
- “I would like to see something done with McGrath Park. The old equipment was removed in July of 2008 and the base of a play structure (some fake boulders) was put in. The structure was never finished, despite multiple calls to the Mayor, who passed along the message to Parks & Rec director, who informed us that there wasn't any money available. I would love to see this park finally finished, whether it be with a play structure or some type of nature area.”
- “We have our family reunion at Halmich every July. The bathrooms are disgusting. The employees can only do so much. Hopefully, they are going to address this.”
- “New play escapes with the sponge ground, like Sterling Heights and Metro Park.”
- “Quicker snow/ice removal on the paths, having bathrooms unlocked all year.”
- “Repair or Replace the pavilion Black top which right now suck's big time Yellow tape should not be use try repairing or replacing it.”
- “Rentz - remove graffiti. Extra amenities, basketball, etc.”
- “Upgrade play structures, more accessible play facilities for children with disabilities. Open and clean bathrooms, clean of litter, park attendants. Expand natural space/green space/community gardens.”
- “Please get something done at Racine park. At least just a walking path and some benches.”
- “Put the basketball court back in.”
- “Miller- Walking trail Halmich- New tennis court lights Re-pavement of the hockey rink at the warren community center.”
- “Restroom accessibility at Halmich.”
- “Play structures and pavilion renovations at all parks.”
- “Bathroom of some kind added to Altermatt, updated playground at all parks. Recycled rubber for grounds of play areas. Better maintenance all around.”
- “Updated restrooms.”
- “The bathrooms need updating and should be open more.”
- “Clean parking lots.”
- “Would love to have a walking path!”
- “Bathrooms opened, Wi-Fi, security cameras, lighting, modern playgrounds, splash parks, skate parks, new picnic tables, GET RID OF THE EXCESSIVE AMOUNTS OF SPEED BUMPS. Replace old picnic pavilions. Run baseball tournaments. Landscaping improved.”
- “Update playground equipment, keep grass mowed, places to lock bikes, bathrooms that are open, butterfly or other gardens, and water retention areas.”
- “Bathrooms open and attendants in the parks like we had. We've been paying a parks millage and the parks have gone down since paying the special millage. Plus, the city has done away with all park employees.”

- “Busse: playground equipment needs repair and update. Gravel not the best substrate. Large divots under slides make dismounting dangerous to small children. Bathrooms are always closed. Soccer field has no nets! City Park in front of the municipal building: soil and lawn reconditioning so the cigarette butts, goose poop, and sunflower/peanut shells aren't making it so uncomfortable to walk and play there. I love the outdoor movies, but more effort need to be made to encourage proper disposal of garbage at events. Also, the bathrooms in the outbuilding could use an upgrade. People come in there from the fountain and the floors are consequently always wet. Maybe separate changing areas from bathrooms or provide more bathrooms? Warren Recreation Center: no complaints. This facility is awesome, better than Troy. Like the pool better than anywhere I've lived. Maybe more staff and pay them higher wages because this is legitimately the best public space ever.”
- “Just general clean up.”
- “Halmich could really use a weed clean up and some more to do!”
- “Fix the restrooms.”
- “Upgrade the walk path at Licht.”
- “Fix bathrooms. Open bathrooms. Add gardens. Places to sit and enjoy the park.
- More trails, nourishment of baseball diamonds, addition of rain and butterfly gardens, more cultural activities/opportunities to celebrate diversity.”
- “Bathrooms open and improved, staffed parks, in summer and good weather days have supplies to check out (basketballs, tennis rackets, outdoor ping pong), etc. In the winter snowshoeing and winter walks. Licensed Food trucks, without necessarily having a formal event, but as a regular thing. Connect parks to each other with trails. Have bus stops at parks to allow better access for everyone (public parks via public transport - should be safe to get to parks whether one is 8 or 80 years old). Slower traffic on the streets in front of parks, crosswalks, ADA ramps. Parents don't let their kids play or go to the park alone these days, not because the park is unsafe, but because drivers are reckless, and drive too fast. The streets prioritize drivers and not walkers, bicyclists, or transit riders. So it doesn't matter if the park is only 10 or 15 minutes from one's home, if the walk is so dangerous due to only personal vehicle priority, then utilization will not be what they could be without changes to the how people feel getting to them. Make parks look better with legible entrances to the sidewalk- they need to look and feel like they are important. Prioritize sidewalks along parks that currently don't have them (Burdi Park - which is not just a dog park, as listed above). As part of recreation programming have tai chi, meditation walks, and/or yoga offered. As part of a goal create a "let's get moving" type program to encourage more utilization of the parks and promoting the benefits of getting outdoors for health.”
- “More convenient, clean, and open restrooms, especially in respect to soccer fields at Halmich and the Community Center. Bag stations for dog waste (all parks). Maintenance year-round with major cleanup done in very early spring, well-before regular usage starts back up (all parks) Updated playgrounds with attention paid to newer research on child development (all parks). Natural areas for visitors to enjoy and interact with (all parks). Ground leveling to eliminate standing water, especially at Halmich Park. Eckstein is completely neglected. We use it regularly with St. Anne Athletics and it is unclean, the playground is old and not safe, and the grounds are unkempt and uneven.”
- “The play areas and the bathrooms at butcher park. I'd like to see a walking path as well because the grass is not good to walk it it's always flooded or soaked.”
- “I'd like the city to keep the trees trimmed & cleared out. Also repair & maintain the fitness track next to the walking path.”
- “Austin-Dannis Park is walking distance from my house, but I usually will not take my kids. I feel the playground equipment is unsafe and the park could use some upgrades.”
- “Dog allowed in all parks. My dogs don't want to play in a dog park I just like to take them for walks on a trail through a park area. I have to drive to Sterling Heights parks to be able to do this. Also, More Adult Sports Leagues. like Women's over 30/40 Soccer, Sand Volleyball, Softball, Bocci Ball, Cornhole.”
- “New swings/ playground equipment.”

- “Cleaner play sets, bathrooms open during soccer”
- “I use the aerobic classes in the pool and love it.”
- “Clean showers.”
- “Rec Center is wonderful but in some of the rooms we use the floors are mostly dusty but also include some dirt spots that are there for quite some time.”
- “The west side parking lot at the Warren Community Center needs to be cleaned much better in the winter. Snow and especially ice are very dangerous when walking in.”
- “The floor in the yoga room is always filthy, it would be nice if it could be dusted. We try to use the dust mop that is in there but that is also filthy.”
- “Improved billiard activity.”
- “Clean up the area around the benches for the seniors to sit. :)”
- “Halmich Park roads are not good.”
- “Bathrooms open/unlocked around soccer season.”
- “Towels for pool.”
- “Bathrooms and picnic tables not to be so rusty and safe play structures.”
- “Recycling bins. The city and mayor are big on recycling, it is hypocritical not to make facilities available. Please add recycling bins.”
- “Warren Community Center—shades/blinds for windows in gym, glare is an issue. More lights should be on in second gym when in use. Currently only using partial lighting which makes for poor visibility.”
- “Update playground equipment to plastic. Bathrooms at all parks.”
- “Warren Community Center is very dirty—cold water to wash hands, most time no soap. Toilets have mold and urine stains. Most of the building is dirty but rest rooms are filthy.”
- “Bathrooms opened & cleaned. Parking lot lights. Sweeping of paths in fall.”
- “Cleanliness—floors in yoga room at rec center need to be cleaned and dusted.”
- “Clean and vacuum showers in women’s locker room at pool! Lots of loose hair, etc. on floor early in AM. Not sure if night cleaners do the floor.”
- “Hire more janitorial staff to sweep the floors in the meeting rooms and the yoga classroom. It would be nice to wash hands with hot water in the lavatories outside the locker rooms. Especially in lieu of the coronavirus and flu season.”
- “All parks—longer hours on restroom facilities, working drinking fountains.”
- “Mold in ladies showers. Please clean.”
- “Clean & open restrooms. Plow snow before open hours, it does no good to plow when lots are full. Clean locker and restroom areas more often. Include rules & enforcement. More lockers. Need larger workout rooms.”
- “All parks need security, bike trails. “
- “Satisfied!”

PROGRAMS & EVENTS IN THE PARKS

Question 5: How satisfied are you with Warren Parks and Recreation's programs and events?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that the current Warren Parks and Recreation programs and events are satisfactory with an average response selection of 3.5. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being poor, and 5 being excellent.

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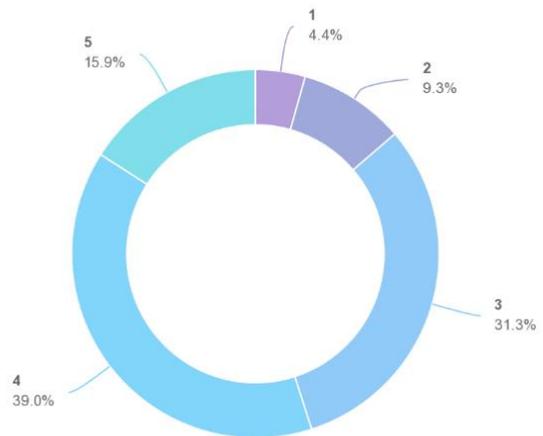


Figure 113: Question 5 Response, 11/2020

BEAUTIFICATION & WILDLIFE

Question 6: How satisfied are you with park beautification?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that the current Warren Parks and Recreation park beautification are satisfactory with an average response selection of 3.0. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being poor, and 5 being excellent.

Question 7: How satisfied are you with trees and wildlife?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that the current Warren Parks and Recreation trees and wildlife are satisfactory with an average response selection of 3.3. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being poor, and 5 being excellent.

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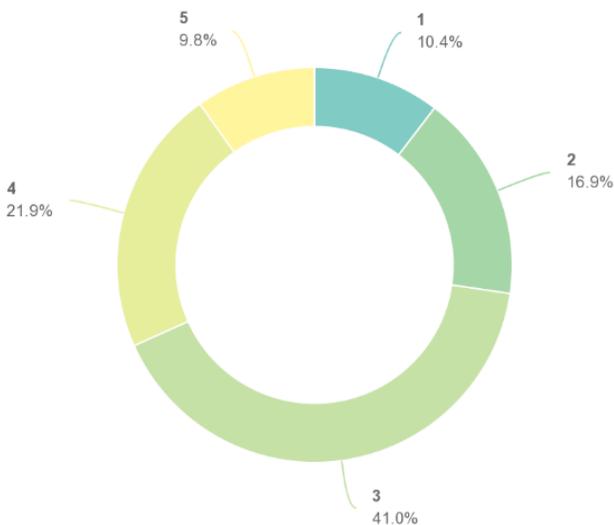


Figure 115: Question 6 Response, 11/2020

How satisfied are you with trees and wildlife?

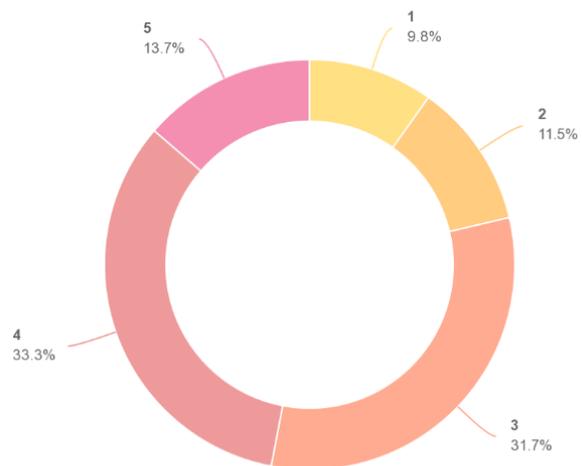


Figure 115: Question 7 Response, 11/2020

PARK FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

Question 8: How satisfied are you with park facilities and equipment?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that the current Warren Parks and Recreation park facilities and equipment are just below satisfactory with an average response selection of 2.9. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being poor, and 5 being excellent.

How satisfied are you with park facilities and equipment?

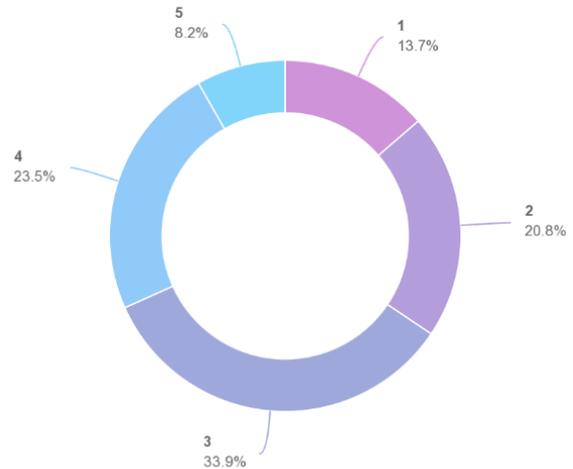


Figure 116: Question 8 Response, 11/2020

PARK SAFETY AND SECURITY

Question 9: How satisfied are you with park safety and security?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that the current Warren Parks and Recreation safety and security are just below satisfactory with an average response selection of 2.9. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being poor, and 5 being excellent.

How satisfied are you with park safety and security?

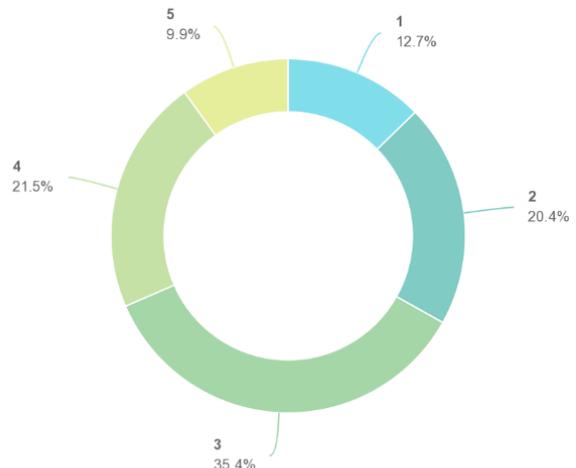


Figure 117: Question 9 Response, 11/2020

PROGRAM FEES AND PRICING

Question 10: How satisfied are you with program fees and prices?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that the current Warren Parks and Recreation program fees and prices are just above average with an average response selection of 3.4. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being poor, and 5 being excellent.

How satisfied are you with program fees and prices?

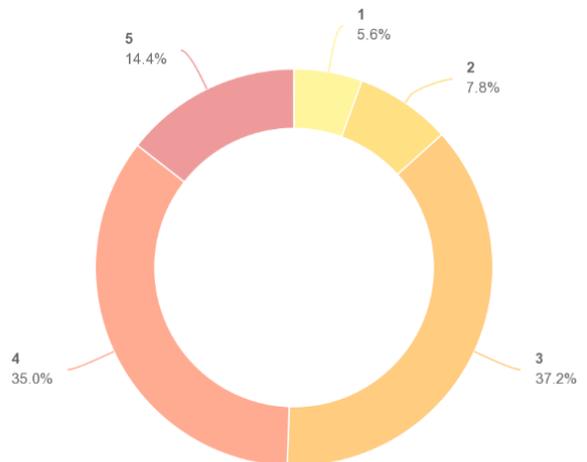


Figure 118: Question 10 Response, 11/2020

PARK CLEANLINESS AND MAINTENANCE

Question 11: How satisfied are you with park cleanliness and maintenance?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that the current Warren Parks and Recreation park cleanliness and maintenance are just below satisfactory with an average response selection of 2.9. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being poor, and 5 being excellent.

How satisfied are you with park cleanliness and maintenance?

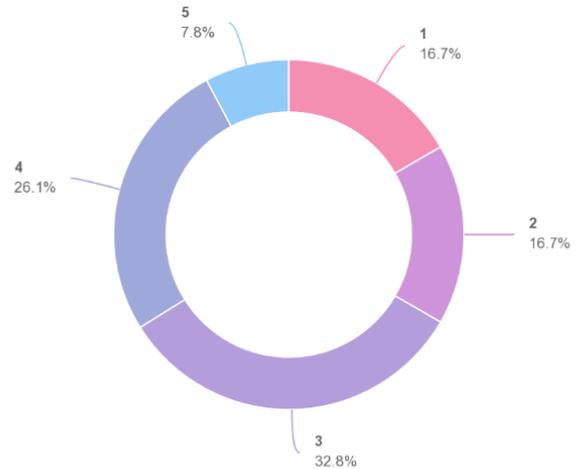


Figure 119: Question 11 Response, 11/2020

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY & PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Question 12: Please check all of the boxes of Warren Parks and Recreation activities that you or a member of your household use or participate in:

The top five Parks and Recreation activities utilized by residents of the survey are: (1) hiking/walking, (2) playground, (3) picnics, (4) dog walking, followed by (5) jogging/running.

Question 13: Please check all the boxes of Warren Parks and Recreation programs or facilities that you or a member of your household participate in:

The top five Parks and Recreation programs or facilities most frequently visited by residents who took this survey are: (1) Warren Community Center Water Park, (2) the Farmer's Market, (3) Warren Birthday Bash and (4) the Warren Community Center Fitness Center were tied for third and fourth most utilized, followed by (5) the Spring Carnival.

Please check all of the boxes of Warren Parks and Recreation activities that you or a member of your household use or participate in:

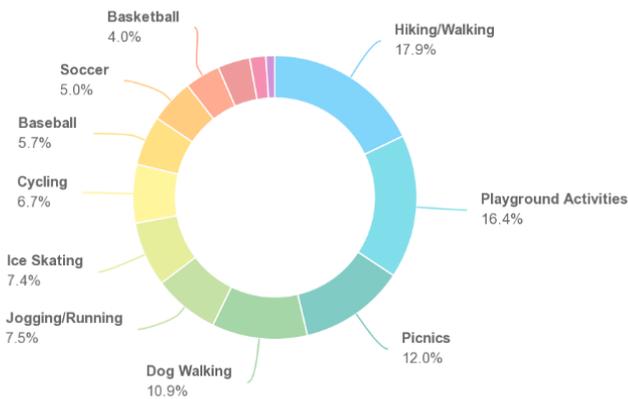


Figure 121: Question 12 Response, 11/2020

Please check all the boxes of Warren Parks and Recreation programs or facilities that you or a member of your household participate in:

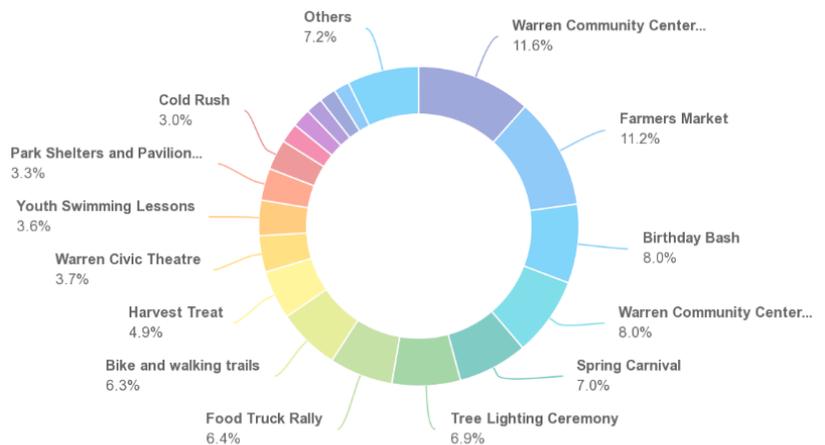


Figure 121: Question 13 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF BEAUTIFICATION

Question 14: How important is the overall beauty of city parks?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that park beautification is very important with an average response rate of 4.5. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important is the overall beauty of city parks?

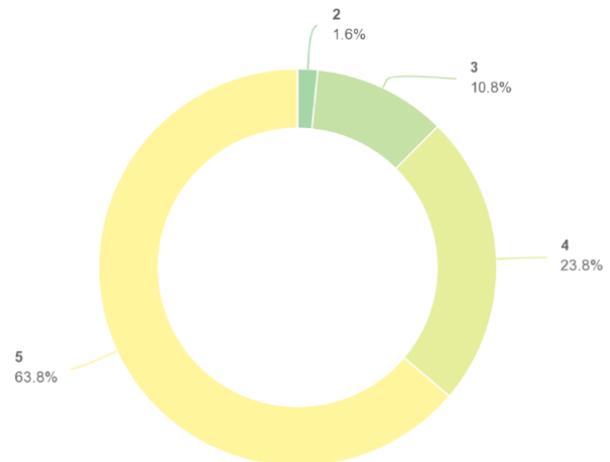


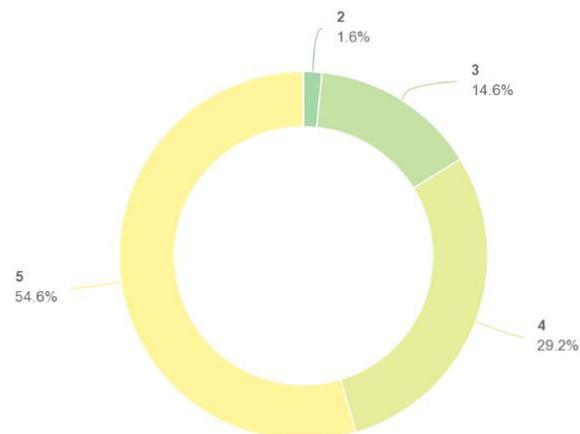
Figure 122: Question 14 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF DISTANCE & EASE OF ACCESS TO PARKS

Question 15: How important is distance and/or ease of access to your local city park?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents think that close range and ease of access is very important in City parks with an average response rate of 4.4. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important is distance and/or ease of access to your local city park?



How important is the wildlife, trees and nature at the city parks?

IMPORTANCE OF WILDLIFE, TREES & NATURE

Question 16: How important is the wildlife, trees and nature at the city parks?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents value the presence of wildlife, trees, and nature at City parks with an average response rate of 4.5. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

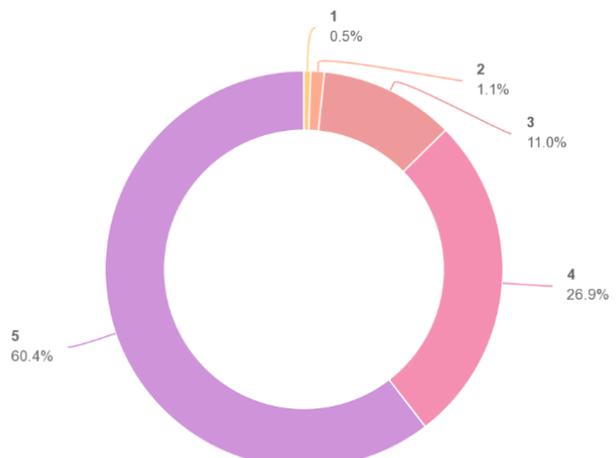


Figure 124: Question 16 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF RESTROOM FACILITIES

Question 17: How important are the restroom facilities and play structures?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents value the presence of restroom facilities and play structures at City parks with an average response rate of 4.7. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important are the restroom facilities and play structures?

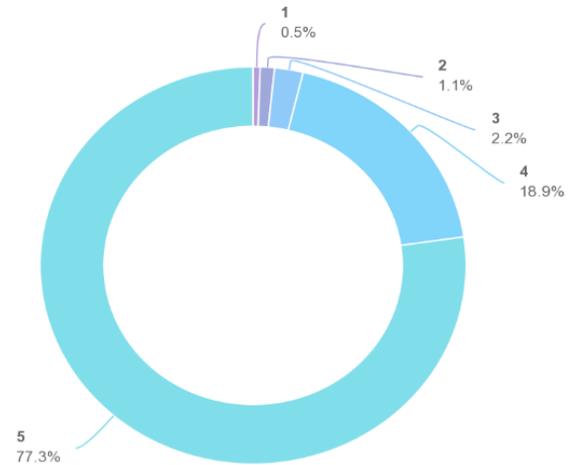


Figure 125: Question 17 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF OVERALL PARK MAINTENANCE

Question 18: How important is the overall park maintenance?

Results of the survey indicate residents find the overall park maintenance at City parks as very important with an average response rate of 4.7. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important is the overall park maintenance?

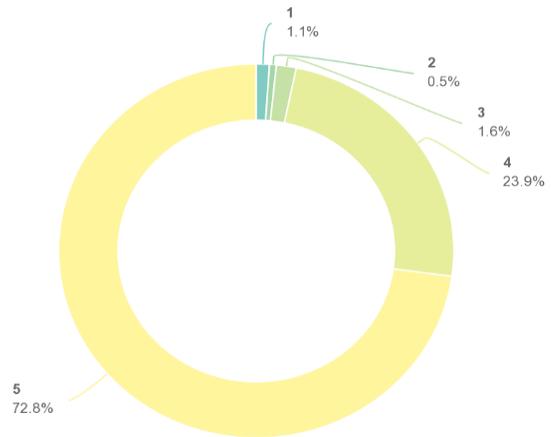


Figure 126: Question 18 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF SAFETY & SECURITY AT PARKS, FACILITIES & EVENTS

Question 19: How important is the safety and security at the parks, facilities, and events?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents find safety and security at City parks, facilities and events very important, with an average response rate of 4.8. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important is the safety and security at the parks, facilities and events?

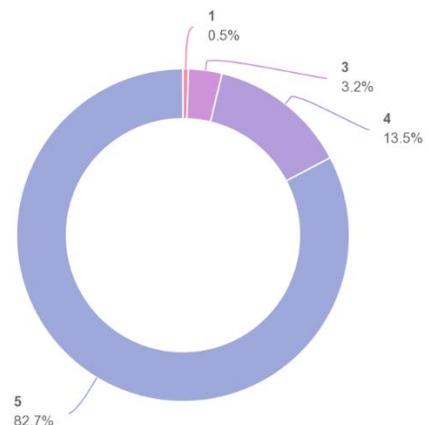


Figure 127: Question 19 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF CLEANLINESS AT PARKS, FACILITIES & EVENTS

Question 20: How important is cleanliness at parks, facilities, and events?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents find cleanliness at City parks, facilities, and events very important, with an average response rate of 4.8. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important is cleanliness at parks, facilities and events?

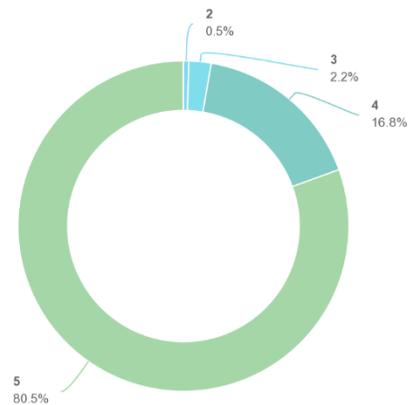


Figure 128: Question 20 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF PRICING FOR PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, AND FACILITIES

Question 21: How important is the pricing of our programs, activities, and facility fees?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents agree that the prices and fees for City of Warren programs, activities and facilities are very important, with an average response rate of 4.2. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important is the pricing of our programs, activities and facility fees?

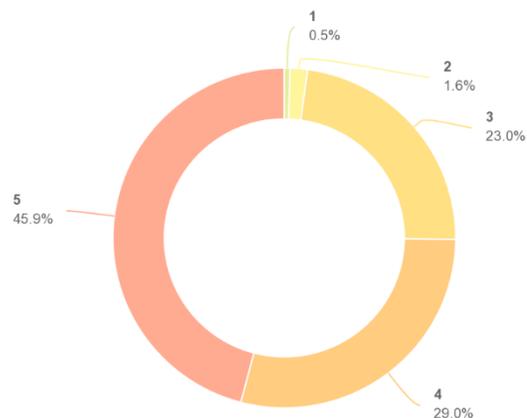


Figure 129: Question 21 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF CROWD SIZE AT EVENTS, PARKS & FACILITIES

Question 22: How important is crowd size at our events, parks, and facilities?

Results of the survey indicate that most residents agree that crowd sizes at City events, parks and facilities is very important, with an average response rate of 4.0. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important is crowd size at our events, parks and facilities?

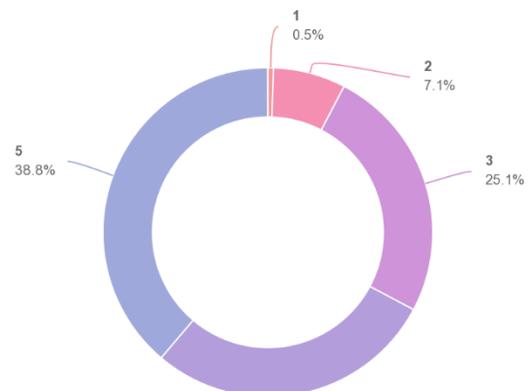


Figure 130: Question 22 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Question 23: How important are educational programs to you?

Results of this survey indicate that residents find educational program availability important in City parks, with an average response of 3.8. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important are educational programs to you?

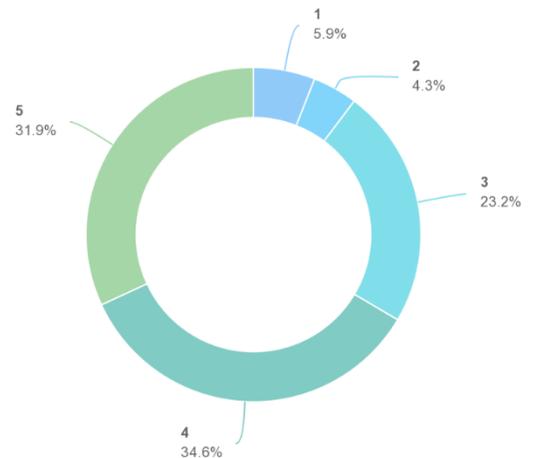


Figure 131: Question 23 Response, 11/2020

IMPORTANCE OF SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Question 24: How important are scheduled activities to you?

Results of this survey indicate that residents find scheduled activities important in City parks, with an average response of 3.8. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being not important, and 5 being very important.

How important are scheduled activities to you?

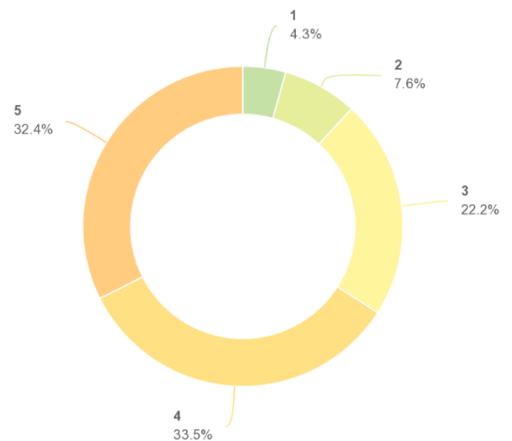


Figure 132: Question 24 Response, 11/2020

FACTORS THAT PREVENT RESIDENTS FROM PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES

Question 25: What are factors that prevent you or members of your household from participating in parks and recreation activities?

This survey indicated that the top five reasons that residents do not participate in scheduled activities within the City of Warren are (1) a scheduling inconvenience, (2) lack of information, (3) the event doesn't meet their needs, (4) a lack of interest, and finally (5) the costs and fees of the activities.

What are factors that prevent you or members of your household from participating in parks and recreation activities?

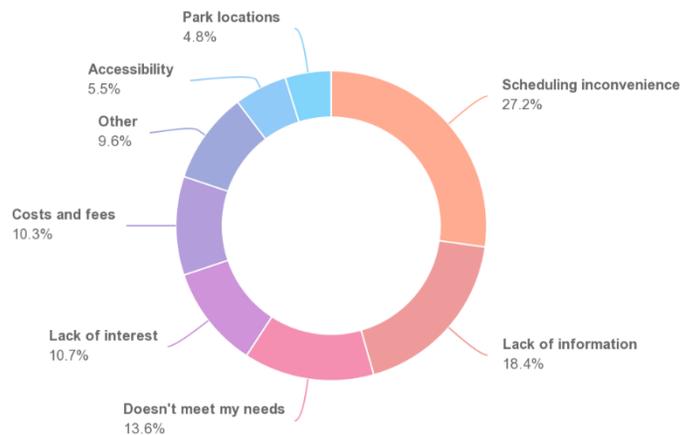


Figure 133: Question 25 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT PERCEPTION OF HEALTH BENEFITS

Question 26: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities improve health?

Results of this survey indicate that residents agree that the Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities improve resident health with an average response of 4.1. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree, and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities improve health?

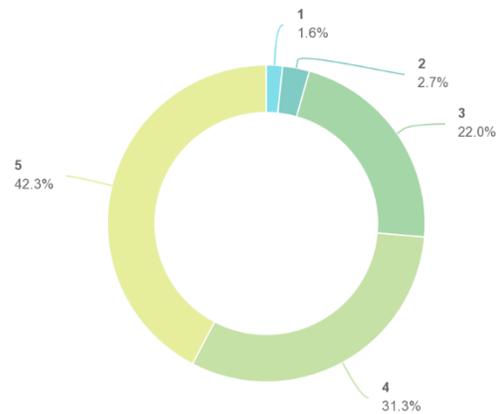


Figure 134: Question 26 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT PERCEPTION OF CRIME REDUCTION

Question 27: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities help reduce crime?

Results of this survey indicate that residents have a neutral belief that the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities help to reduce crime with an average response of 3.4. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities help reduce crime?

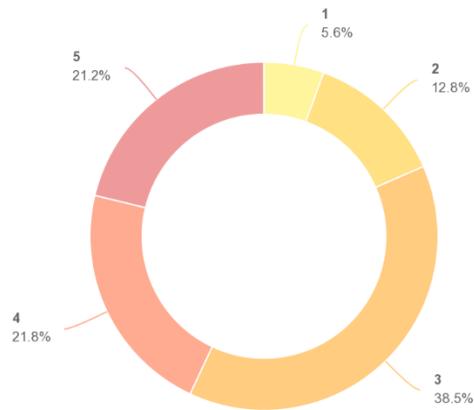


Figure 135: Question 27 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT PERCEPTION OF PROPERTY VALUES

Question 28: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase property values?

Results of this survey indicate that residents agree that the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities aid with increasing property values with an average response of 4.1. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase property values?

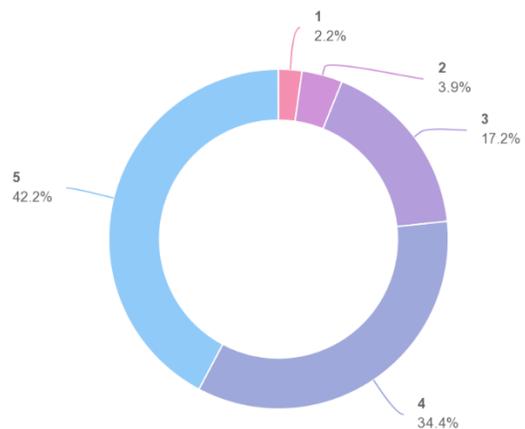


Figure 136: Question 28 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT PERCEPTION OF LIVABILITY

Question 29: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase livability?

Results of this survey indicate that residents agree that the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities aid with increasing livability with an average response of 4.2. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase livability?

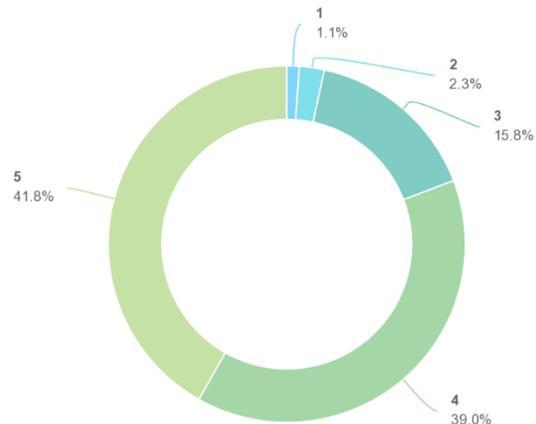


Figure 137: Question 29 Response, 11/2020

COMMUNITY PRIDE

Question 30: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase community pride?

Results of this survey indicate that residents agree that the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities aid with increasing community pride with an average response of 4.2. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase community pride?

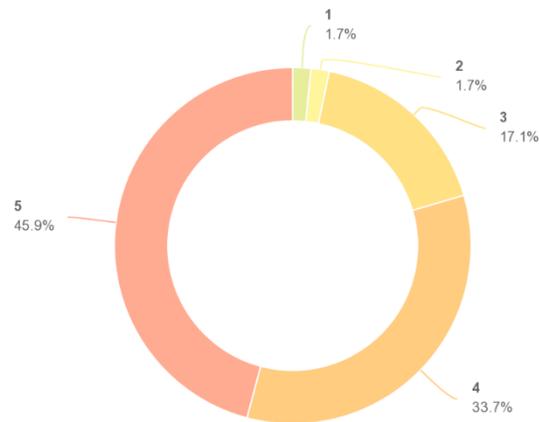


Figure 138: Question 30 Response, 11/2020

PRESERVATION OF NATURE & OPEN SPACE

Question 31: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities preserve nature and open space?

Results of this survey indicate that residents agree that the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities preserves nature and open space with an average response of 4.1. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities preserve nature and open space?

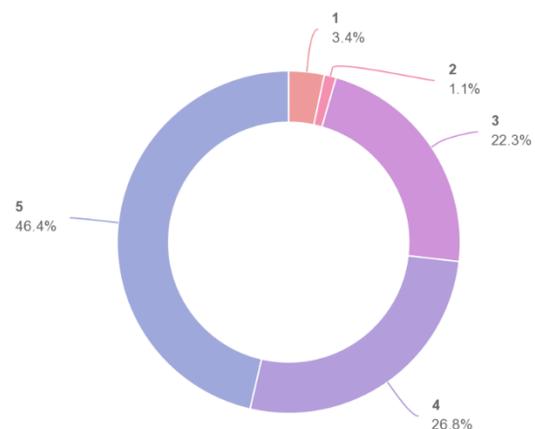


Figure 139: Question 31 Response, 11/2020

IMPACT ON FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Question 32: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities strengthen families?

Results of this survey indicate that residents agree that the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities works to strengthen families with an average response of 4.2. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities strengthen families?

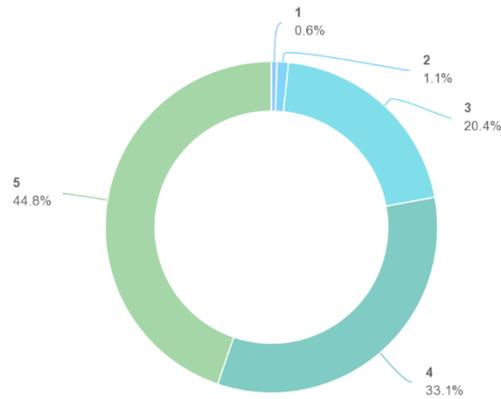


Figure 140: Question 32 Response, 11/2020

IMPACT ON CROSS-CULTURAL INTERACTIONS

Question 33: Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase cross-cultural interactions?

Results of this survey indicate that residents have a neutral response that the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department parks and facilities works to strengthen families with an average response of 3.7. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being disagree and 5 being strongly agree.

Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase cross-cultural interactions?

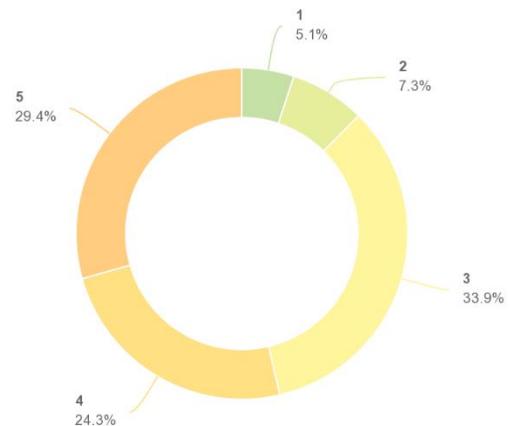


Figure 141: Question 33 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF HIKING AND BIKE TRAIL ADDITIONS

Question 34: How strongly would you support hiking and bike trail development?

Results of this survey indicate that residents would support hiking and bike trail development within the City of Warren Parks with an average survey response of 4.3. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support hiking and bike trail development?

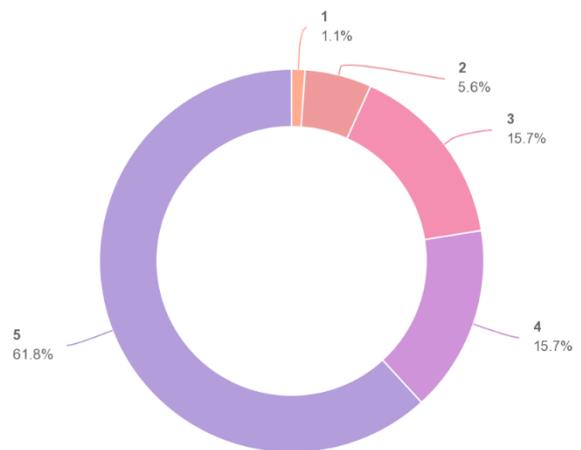


Figure 142: Question 34 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF NEW RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

Question 35: How strongly would you support new recreation opportunities?

Results of this survey indicate that residents would support new recreation activities within the City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department with an average survey response of 4.5. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support new recreation opportunities?

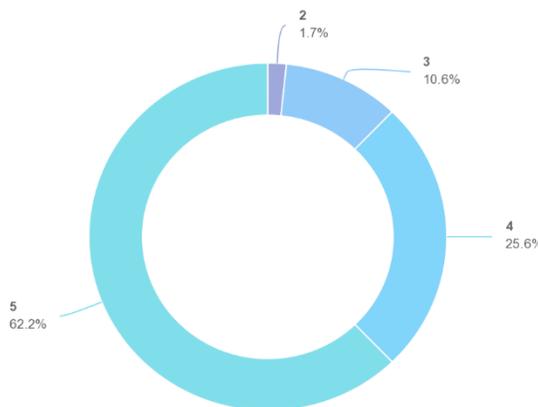


Figure 143: Question 35 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF NEW NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Question 36: How strongly would you support new neighborhood parks?

Results of this survey indicate that residents would support the addition of new neighborhood Parks within the City of Warren with an average survey response of 4.2. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support new neighborhood parks?

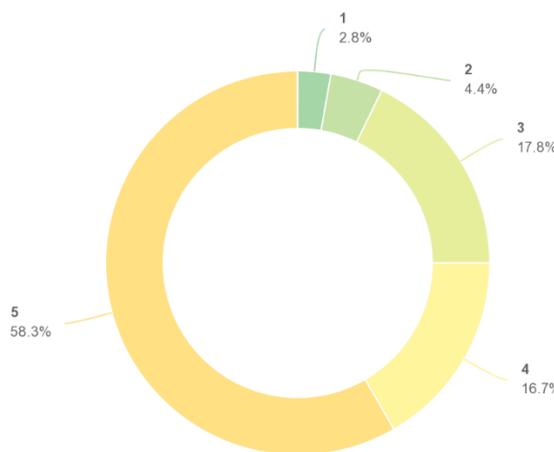


Figure 144: Question 36 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF PRESERVING MORE NATURAL AREAS

Question 37: How strongly would you support preserving more natural areas?

Results of this survey indicate that residents are in support of preservation of more natural areas within City of Warren with an average survey response of 4.6. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support preserving more natural areas?

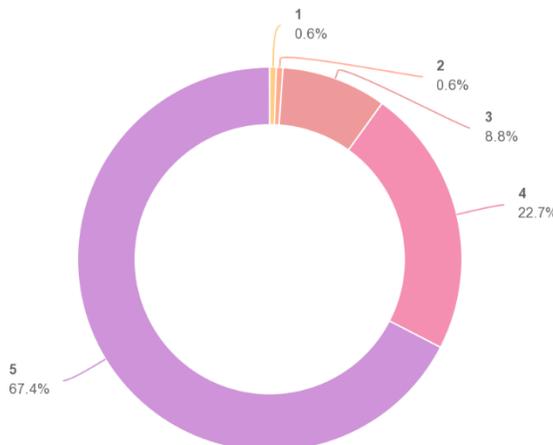


Figure 145: Question 37 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF OUTDOOR POOL

Question 38: How strongly would you support outdoor pool and swimming facilities?

Results of this survey indicate that residents moderately support outdoor pool and swimming facilities within the City of Warren with an average survey response of 3.9. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support outdoor pool and swimming facilities?

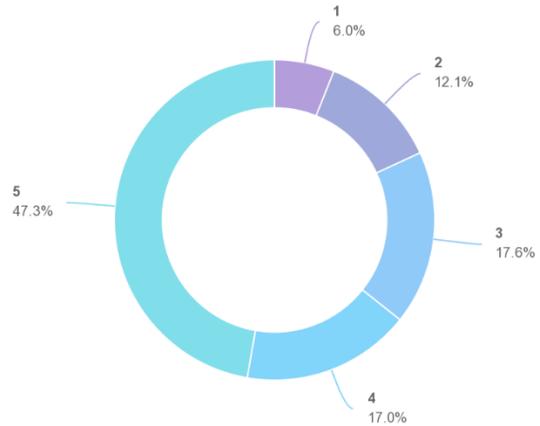


Figure 146: Question 38 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF A PUBLIC DISC GOLF COURSE

Question 39: How strongly would you support a public disc golf course?

Results of this survey indicate that residents are in moderate support of a public disc golf course within the City of Warren with an average survey response of 3.4. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support a public disc golf course?

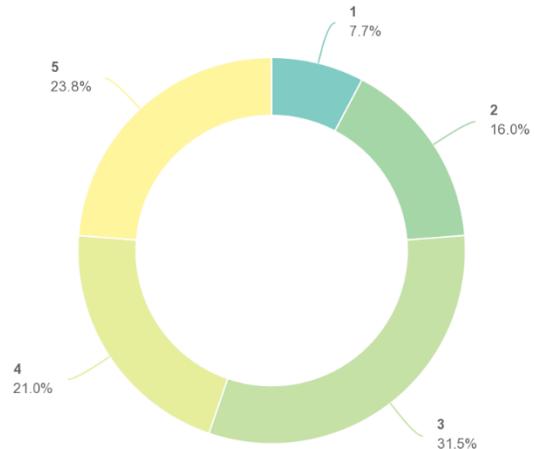


Figure 147: Question 39 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF A SKATEBOARD & BMX PARK

Question 40: How strongly would you support a skateboard and BMX park?

Results of this survey indicate that residents are in moderate support of a skateboard park or BMX park within the City of Warren with an average survey response of 3.3. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support a skateboard and BMX park?

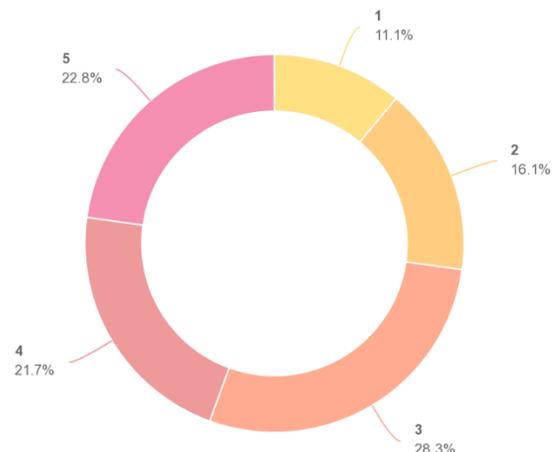


Figure 148: Question 40 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF A ROCK-CLIMBING WALL

Question 41: How strongly would you support a rock-climbing wall?

Results of this survey indicate that residents moderately support the addition of a rock-climbing wall within the City of Warren parks with an average survey response of 3.5. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support a rock climbing wall?

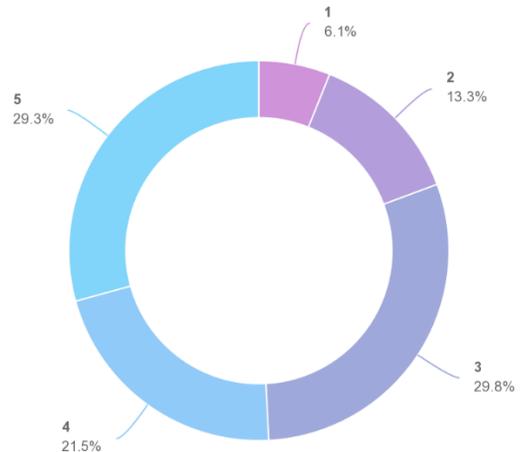


Figure 149: Question 41 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF FOOTBALL, SOCCER & LACROSSE FACILITIES

Question 42: How strongly would you support football/soccer/lacrosse facilities?

Results of this survey indicate that residents moderately support the inclusion of football, soccer, and/or lacrosse facilities in the City of Warren parks, with an average response of 3.6. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support football/soccer/lacrosse facilities?

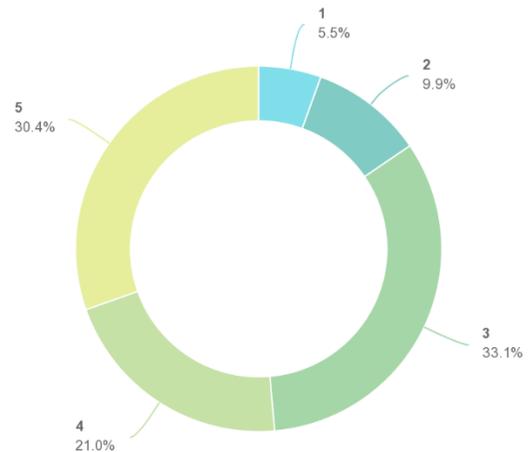


Figure 150: Question 42 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF WIFI ACCESS IN PARKS

Question 43: How strongly would you support WiFi access in the parks?

Results of this survey indicate that residents moderately support the addition of Wi-Fi access in the City of Warren parks, with an average response of 3.6. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support WiFi access in the parks?

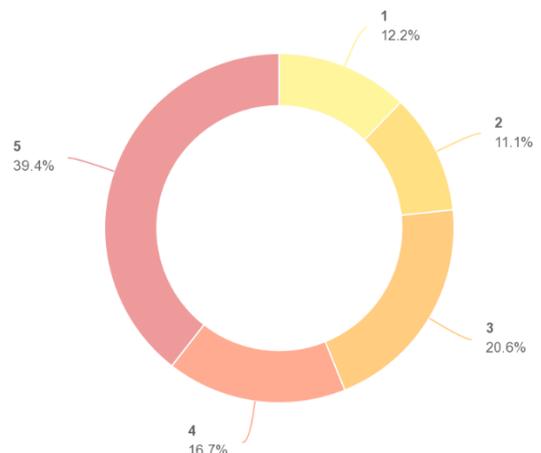


Figure 151: Question 43 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF CRICKET FACILITIES

Question 44: How strongly would you support Cricket facilities?

Results of this survey indicate that residents are not in support of the introduction of Cricket facilities in the City of Warren parks, with an average response of 2.8. The survey allowed for 5-levels of selection with 1 being oppose and 5 being strongly support.

How strongly would you support Cricket facilities?

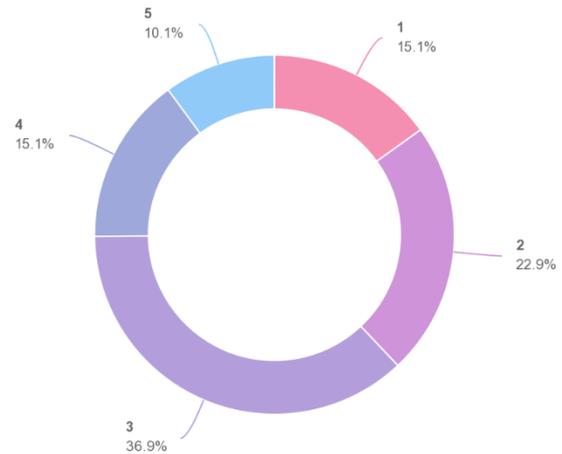


Figure 152: Question 44 Response, 11/2020

KEEPING INFORMED

Question 55: How do you stay updated about upcoming Warren Parks and Recreation programs, events, and activities?

The results of this survey indicate that the top five ways that residents keep up with City of Warren Parks and Recreation programs, events, and activities, are (1) Facebook, (2) The Warren Weekly, (3) the Newsbeat, (4) the City of Warren website, and (5) word of mouth.

How do you stay updated about upcoming Warren Parks and Recreation programs, events, and activities?

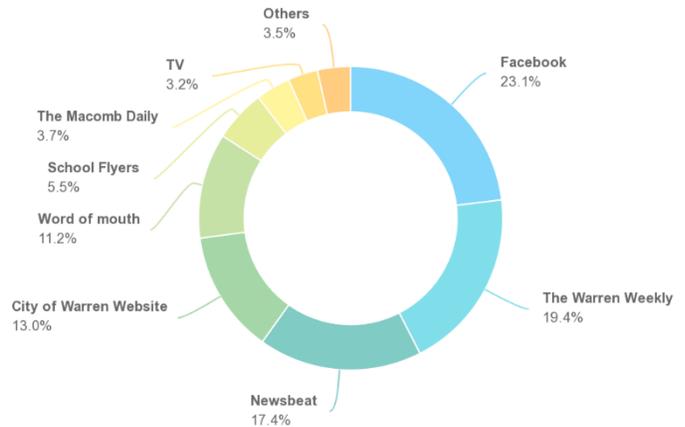


Figure 153: Question 55 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT SUPPORT OF LOCAL BUSINESSES IN SUPPORT OF WARREN PARKS AND RECREATION

Question 56: Would you be more likely to patronize a local business that supports Warren Parks and Recreation?

Results of this survey indicate that yes, residents are more likely to patronize a local business the supports the Warren Parks and Recreation.

Would you be more likely to patronize a local business that supports Warren Parks and Recreation?

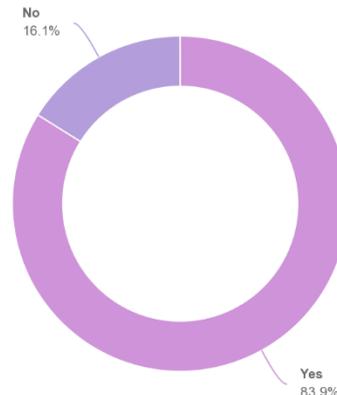


Figure 154: Question 56 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT LIMITS ON PARTICIPATION IN RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Question 57: Does any member of your household have a disability that limits their ability to participate in recreational activities? If yes, in the other section, please list impairment.

The results of this survey indicate that most respondents did not have any disability or limitation that prevents members of their household from participating in recreational activities. Of the respondents that answered yes, the most common impairments reported were past heart failure, dementia, autism, chronic back pain, blind/low vision, Chron's disease, and difficulty walking.

Does any member of your household have a disability that limits their ability to participate in recreational activities? If yes, in other section, please list impairment.

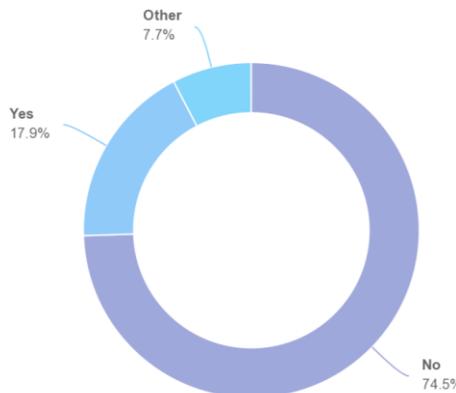


Figure 155: Question 57 Response, 11/2020

RESIDENT AGES

Question 58: Please indicate number of people in your household and ages.

The results of this survey were tallied and are displayed below. The average household size among respondents is 4 persons, with the greatest number of residents between the ages of 5 and 9 years of age, followed by the second largest age group of 40 to 44 years.

NUMBER OF PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS
1	20
2	55
3	28
4	38
5	18
6	6
7	1
8	1
9+	0

Table 6: Household size table based on survey results, DTP 11/2020

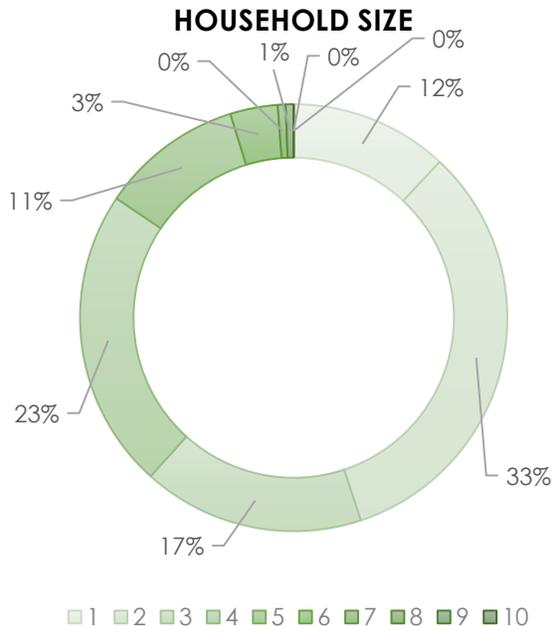


Figure 156: Household size graph based on survey results, DTP 11/2020

AGE OF RESIDENT (YEARS)	NUMBER OF PERSONS
1-4	39
5-9	48
10-14	30
15-19	30
20-24	11
25-29	13
30-34	34
35-39	34
40-44	44
45-49	21
50-54	31
55-59	39
60-64	31
65+	125

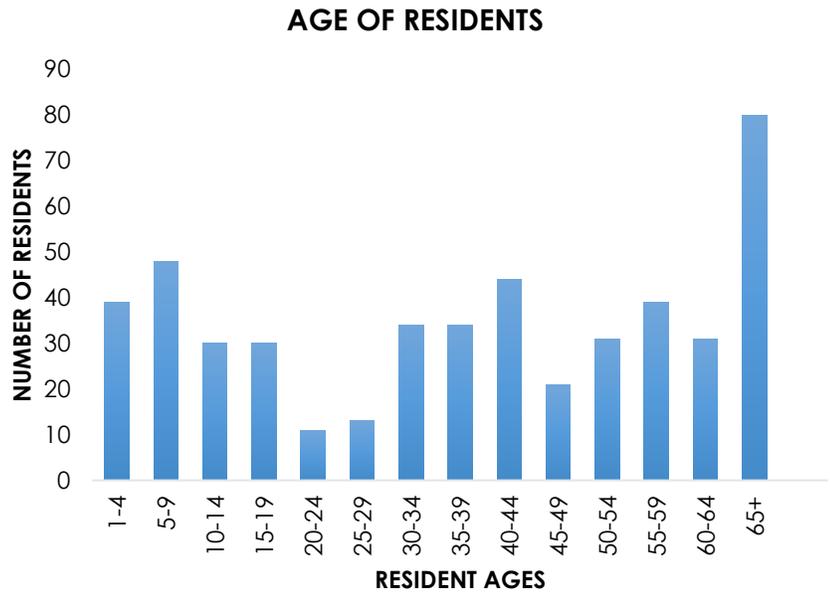


Figure 157: Resident age graph based on survey results, DTP 11/2020

Table 7: Resident age table based on survey results, DTP 11/2020

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS

Question 59: Feel free to provide additional comments or feedback in the space below regarding your experience with Warren Parks and Recreation.

- “Disability: Member of the household has Ulcerative Colitis, which requires easy access to clean, sanitary restroom facilities. I moved from Clawson to Warren and while I generally like Warren, the parks in surrounding communities are more attractive and nature friendly. I would really like more opportunities for outdoor recreation, such as nature trails w/nature programs, an outdoor pool, etc. Butcher Park is our nearest park. I would love for the kids in our neighborhood to have updated playground equipment instead of the hot metal slides and gravel. It’s outdated and not as safe as more modern structures. I was very upset to find broken glass and a bullet casing on the ground where children play the last time I visited. Improving park facilities would be a HUGE factor in my family deciding to stay in Warren instead of moving elsewhere.”
- “I love living in Warren. My real only complaint is that the parks in South Warren are not as taken care of as the parks north of 10 Mile. I appreciate the lawn service, but there’s trash and overflowing trash cans constantly seen in the parks in south warren. Thank you for providing this survey!”
- “Pool exercise programs becoming boring & repetitive. Would like to see water Zumba again. All we do is walk back & forth in pool at 9-10am MWF. Lazy river is for that.”

- "I just checked the Parks and Rec and the Community center FB pages and it neither have been sufficiently updated in about a month. We should be having Zoom; FB live etc. programs/ exercise/ outreach to promote health."
- "To the question Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities preserve nature and open space? I would say they certainly preserve open space, but much of the 'nature' is not native. Turf grass is an ecological desert, supporting no wildlife or pollinators. I would support local businesses that support the parks as long as I don't have to look at ugly ads for them in the park. Also, we need all of our parks to have decent self-respecting signs."
- "Please improve the quality of our parks and have summer staff for programs during the day. This will help with park maintenance and cleanliness."
- "Why is Warren the only community in the REGION, that does not have an outdoor Pickleball facility? Pickleball is of major importance to senior citizens!!!"
- "Need more senior activities from Community Center. My father has dementia would love more programs for the elderly and day trips would be nice."
- "I think that public parks, supported by tax dollars, should be accessible to the public 7 days a week during normal park hours!"
- "I would like to see more walking trails in the south Warren area. It would be a great asset or even as a resident gain access to the track at the high school that we pay taxes for so we can walk it."
- "I love the pool and would like to say that the lifeguards are the best. They are such sincere and hardworking young people who maintain the pool to the highest standards."
- "Warren community center facility updates suggested. Keep fitness center equipment updated and in good maintained operating condition."
- "I believe there are a lot of actions at the parks department needs to take in order to properly accommodate the people living within our community. I believe that the administration is out of touch with what families need especially considering that he doesn't have one. There are a lot of businesses and citizens within the community that would be willing to help improve the parks, but their help doesn't seem welcome. They also need to find a way to adequately compensate Park employees so that they can hire the people needed the support the services offered to citizens. At one point in time you could sign your children up for private lessons and there were a lot of options for swim classes now there are only offerings a couple of days a week mostly on weekends and no private classes for people who cannot attend weekend classes. If it's a shortage of swim instructors, then there needs to be a better way to compensate them and pay what's fair market value so you can get quality instructors. I could talk about possible improvements to city parks all day feel free to contact me if you would like to hear more ideas and how to improve the Parks Recreation Department. Anthony Lodovisi 586-596-0122"
- "Bike paths along red run creek"
- "Fix our parks, bathrooms, parking lots"
- "On fixed income can't afford cost of rec membership Nothing for seniors to do."
- "I find it really aggravating when I want to go to exercise I don't want to leave the park but I have to go to the bathroom so I'm forced to leave because the bathroom is locked and not open."
- "I would only say that for the receiving park, I would like to see a bike/running trail and possibly other activities similar to Licht Park."
- "The reason I chose no on new park is we need to bring the parks we have up to date and usable condition first."
- "Night becomes a haven and hangout in parks close to me. Graffiti and vandalism is a problem. Condoms, liquor/ beer, and drug material is casually discarded in our parks"
- "Please get Ridgewood property in shape for walking and relaxing."
- "I forgot to add that we love going to the parks but hate that the bathrooms are never open. Butcher I don't think in the 10 years we have been going has the bathroom ever been open when we have needed it. My kids have learned to potty in the bushes. I hate doing that but there isn't another option other than leaving or not going there."
- "I own a business in Warren and also 2 rental homes. I am a member of a Neighborhood Association at 9 and Schoenherr and until recently lived in Warren for over 40 years. I believe making Warren

more green can have such a positive effect, it is unfortunate citizens have turned to other cities like Sterling Hts. for years when we could have developed similar things here. Young people look for those amenities when buying houses, we want them in Warren."

- "We are family pass members the enjoy the Warren community center. The community center and specifically pool are in need or some renovations and updates. This is a great locations to "brag" about and enjoy. I hate to see it loose it's sense of appeal."
- "Lived here over 25 years and go elsewhere for recreation. Plan to move soon to location where outdoor and indoor recreation is better. Would consider staying if Warren placed more importance on recreational activities."
- "More social activities for the disabled young adults."
- "Please update the play structures and other park equipment so we can safely enjoy them. I pay an awful lot in taxes to have to go to parks in other cities for the safety of my children."
- "Outside bathrooms need to be open during the day all day. Promote play outside and keep bathrooms open 7 days a week 8-8. When my son plays soccer in May. The bathrooms are locked outside. When my family goes to any of the parks, doors are frequently locked. Hard to stay at park with kids who have to pee. Can soccer fields be as nice as baseball fields at Halmich park. They have open bathrooms too. Baseball fields are kept up while soccer fields are Unsafe with potholes in the fields with broken sprinklers. Went to the food truck event. Can we ask that the truck's spread out a little and more tables be put up? Thanks Warren we are improving every day."
- "We went from penthouse to outhouse... Parks and Recreation as is in Warren does little for children... Not pleased with its current philosophy Thanks for the opportunity... At least Jack Bellomo is gone."
- "Absolutely love the Warren Birthday Bash. Is it going to remain in the same place even after the large redevelopment takes place?"
- "Great community center. Enjoy the activities near the city hall and would like to see more of them. Parks themselves are boring. Wish we had something similar to Dodge Park."
- "I would like to see more benches and sitting areas in the parks. I would like to have a really nice walking hiking nature center type park where you could walk or ride your bike."
- "Bring back snowmobiles to Halmich Park."
- "I grew up in Warren. When I was a child the parks had volunteers that supervised the children, offered arts and crafts for a minimal fee. They had board games for the kids to play. They had a yearly field day where kids from each park participated in games like egg and spoon race, balloon toss. It was a wonderful experience. I'd like to see some of that come back."
- "We also use the school playgrounds a lot."
- "I LOVE that Warren has a pool and reasonable prices. Would strongly support having an outdoor pool again."
- "Parks could be updated with flowers or fresh paint. Just put some money into it and it will show."
- "I would continue to urge recreational events not feature petting zoos. They are inhumane, animals are here with us, not for us. Not for our entertainment, nor for our financial gain. Otherwise very happy overall. Would like to see Warrens Big Brew Beer festival again."
- "I appreciate the City getting feedback from the community to guide investing funds for Park and Recreation. I'm hoping our recreational options reflect the diversity of community. Warren needs to needs to uplift and celebrate our diversity as well as build awareness. I hope we have more young adult oriented programming."
- "I love our public parks and facilities. I would love to set more activities fostering awareness of the myriad cultures in our communities. I feel that European Christian traditions are well represented, but we have so many Asian and Middle Eastern peoples here, too, of all faith traditions. Maybe we could explore other regional holidays?"
- "The website is terrible. It is impossible to understand costs of the water park, fitness, and community center. Worst website ever. That's why we haven't joined yet."
- "Pay the staff more money!"
- "Would really like to see the realization of the promised Ridgewood nature park with a walk path and some benches as well as a bike/walk trail system in Warren such as Sterling Heights has at Dodge Park. I don't have kids so not interested in play equipment. Interested in a nice place to walk and

bike. Would like to see some benches too like at Lake St. CLAIR Metropark because several of my friends like to walk but have back issues so need to stop and rest at different times."

- "I am very concerned about alcohol & drug use at many parks in Warren. I often visit Halmich park and have come across many broken liquor bottles, tons of cigarette butts, broken lighters, and drug paraphernalia. There are also large groups of men 'hanging out' & blasting music on occasion there as well."
- "I would like to see Warren team with schools (public and private) within the city to bring community events to schools, senior centers, etc. More activities that allow for cultural awareness and mixing of age groups (like senior prom for kids and adults)."
- "Very limited swim schedule. Very disappointing. Would love some kid's art classes. Or kids cooking classes."
- "Recreation- spelled wrong above. Parks are essential, but they are not utilized like they could be in this city. Connect with neighbor groups, schools to sponsor gardens, raingardens, outdoor hikes, education, etc. Perhaps look to one of the parks to partner with EGLE (or any organization) to open a nature center or aviary. These places are magnets for school groups and could charge a modest entry fee, and also have programs to attract people from the region. Perhaps allow urban camping for a limited time, as an experiment, and charge people to do this. Look to new ideas, to keep parks relevant and essential. They could be the "3rd place " that people need to meet up with neighbors or others with similar interests. As people continue to stay indoors and watch more tv, getting the message across that it is easy to get healthy by taking a walk around his/her local park is key to selling the idea of more parks and greenspace."
- "I grew up in Warren and recently returned. We lived for six years in Ferndale, where we three parks in walking distance of our house. Now that we are in Warren, we have to drive to any park or playground facility and often go to other cities. If we have to drive anyway, we may as well go to Sterling Heights with its cleaner, more updated parks. Our playgrounds are under stimulating for my boys and poorly maintained, often standing in ankle-deep water for days after a rain. When we go for sporting events, the bathrooms are often locked or dirty. We can drive just two more miles past Halmich to Nelson Park, with nature trails, smooth bike paths, updated and challenging play areas, and clean unlocked restrooms. We have the parks, we have the space, we have the families. This should be a top priority."
- "I feel safe walking in Licht Park & that is very important to me."
- "You are doing great. Love to see the improvements. Keep it going."
- "Thank you, you have a great city."
- "For community center, parking lot needs to be repaired and kept clean of trash. In winter, parking lot snow removal needs to improve to allow for more parking space."
- "Love all Warren Parks & Recreation!"
- "Really enjoy Silver Sneakers exercise programs and plays."
- "On the whole I feel Warren is doing a good job."
- "Programs are valuable."
- "Although I, myself, father, and my children all graduated from the Warren High Schools, we live at 15 Mile & Mound area and are Sterling Heights residents. We are recently able to visit and use the facilities and are so happy to do so. I enjoy the yoga and cardio classes and I walk both indoors and outdoors. So we are very pleased to be welcomed and so happy with the staff. Everyone is so nice to us!"
- "Why don't you open up the fees for Fraser like what was done with Sterling Heights? PLEASE warm up and insulate windows better in hallway from women's & men's locker rooms to the pool area—VERY cold and drafty. Tile is missing on the floor deck of the lazy river."
- "Since Tuesday and Thursday yoga class has grown to be so large, it would be great to add more yoga classes on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. As an active senior I would like more classes than body pump & water aerobics. You used to offer a cardio stretching class and replaced it with body pump. I feel the yoga room should be unlocked when the center opens in the morning so yoga mats can be brought into rooms so I can walk or use the gym. All other rooms are unlocked. I do not understand why yoga rooms has to stay locked."

- “Need a non-recumbent stationary bike for speed & triathlon training! Bike and helmet safety for kids and adults. Most of the staff are welcoming and kind.”
- “It would be nice if gyms would open earlier so people with knee replacements could walk. Cement is very hard on the knees. Thank you.”
- “The city pushes cleanliness and recycling, yet there are no recycling bins at the fitness center. People discard plastics (bags, bottles) that are easily recyclable, and staff discard the cardboard toilet tissue rolls which are also recyclable. It is hypocritical and wasteful. We are encouraged to recycle but no bins are provided. Please initiate recycling at the community center.”
- “I have enjoyed the Mound Parks recreation facility. The staff, including Tracy, Sheldon, and John have been welcoming and professional. I participate in swimming, work out and pickleball activities almost daily, and as noted above enjoyed myself.”
- “A group of us are interested in evening pickle ball hours, and outdoor pickle ball would also be terrific.”
- “WCC is clean and professional, quiet. No complaints.”
- “I have lived in Warren (12 & Schoenherr) for 47 years. Loved the pool on Martin—kids grew up enjoying it. Grandchildren LOVE grandma's pool & park activities. My 3 kids were all involved with the soccer and basketball activities—now 47, 45, & 40. Grandchildren love the WCC pool, now ages 13-18, and like Kalahari better. 5 year old loves grandma's pool.”
- “I like that Warren Parks & Recreation has Silver Sneakers for all elderly people to come & use the facility.”
- “Water aerobics are great, but water could be a little warmer on these cold days.”
- “Enjoy all of the activities at the community center!!”
- “Please consider adding a night time pickleball program. Thank you.”
- “Warren Community Center needs some TLC. Bathrooms are usually lacking soap or towels. Could use a better cleaning crew. Need to fix stall doors. The bleachers in the smaller gym have a real mess underneath, sticky messes.”
- “I have been a member of the WCC since it first opened. As a former paying participant in the yoga class I now enjoy this part of the membership fee. Recently some members of the 11:00 class wanted to set up chairs before we had exited the room. Problems ensued and the solution was to keep the room locked. So now the yoga students who want to walk or use the gym have nowhere to leave their mats. I find this solution demeaning and demoralizing. I would love to do yoga additional days.”
- “Fees are high if you have a lot of kids. I would like to see some classes or crocheting, knitting, or sewing.”
- “I participate in several rec center classes. I appreciate that they are included in our fees. I do wish there were additional classes for active seniors without chairs other than body pump or water classes. I do all 3 yoga classes and since morning classes are so full now I hope additional ones may be added on different days. Essentrics classes would be welcomed. As a side note: the door locking situation for morning yoga is an insult and very inconvenient.”
- “Ladies locker room VERY DIRTY. Needs good cleaning. Hair in shower and on floor. Not clean whatsoever. Showers need cleaning BIG TIME.”
- “As a taxpayer/voter/resident I would like to see facilities maintained but no expanded! Please no more millage votes or taxes for recreation.”
- “I only recently moved to this area and I was so thrilled to find out that the community had a beautiful community center that is so affordable and aesthetically pleasing. The center staff is very helpful and welcoming. This was very important to me as an African-American resident of Warren, Michigan!”
- “Iron Belle Trail goes through Warren and has been relocating. It needs to be advertised, improved, and clearly marked. This is a great opportunity to bring people to Warren and support our community.”
- “Women's showers not clean. Much mold and after no soap. Please clean shower of mold.”

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CITY OF WARREN

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

RECREATION DEFICIENCIES AND NEEDS, ACTION PLAN & RECOMMENDATIONS

RECREATION DEFICIENCIES AND NEEDS

The main purpose of this chapter of the Warren Parks and Recreation Master Plan is to evaluate the City's existing and long-term recreation needs. Several techniques are commonly used for assessing recreation needs. Because of the scale of the City's recreation program and the large numbers of persons being served, there is a need to consider recreation needs from as many perspectives as possible.

Therefore, the following techniques are used:

- Community survey of recreation demand and existing use patterns
- Focus Groups with various members of the community including but not limited to sports organizations, elementary, middle, and high school students, seniors, community leaders, persons with disabilities, advocacy organizations and the community at large
- Comparisons to accepted national park and recreation planning standards
- Detailed field surveys of each of the City's recreation facilities, including evaluations of the conditions at each site
- Interviews with school district officials to assess the relationship between recreational activities offered by the City and the school districts
- Discussions between City departments and community leaders using the community information and setting an action plan to best serve the City of Warren in the years to come.

Collectively, this analysis provides a good understanding of both the short and long-term recreation needs facing the City. It also provides a practical basis for developing programs and strategies to comprehensively address these needs on a systematic basis. The City of Warren Parks and Recreation Department commissioned Team 4 Community L3C to gather information from Warren Residents to evaluate their short-term and long-term recreational needs and use this information to update the City's Recreation Master Plan.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Warren's recreation needs of today are far different than they were in the mid-1950s when the City was entering a period of explosive population and housing growth. The City's population peaked almost three decades ago. Today, according to the Michigan Department of Community Health Vital Statistics, between the years of 2011 to 2018, the population in the City of Warren has been on the rise with an average increase of 264 people. This growth is presented within the US Census Bureau Decennial Census & American Community Surveys data, which shows the total household growth in the City from the 2010 Census to the 2018 ACS as an 0.4% increase. There are now more individuals in the city, therefore more people potentially using the parks and community centers. The overall goal for the City of Warren is to:

Enhance and increase the quality of life for Warren residents by providing a full range of recreation facilities and programs to meet their needs. Create healthy communities with engaging activities that are accessible to everyone.

Warren's Recreational Department confirms and supports the Goal and the Objectives from the Michigan State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (2018-2022)

“Protect and manage Michigan's diverse and abundant natural and cultural assets to provide relevant, quality experiences that meet the fun, relaxation, and health needs of Michigan's residents and visitors and support economic prosperity.”

The goal is best achieved by meeting the following objectives:

- Foster stewardship and conservation: Natural and cultural resources are protected, and residents and visitors are effective stewards of those resources.
- Improve collaboration: Outdoor recreation stakeholders collaborate: Outdoor recreation stakeholders collaborate and cooperate to ensure that Michigan's recreation system meets the needs of residents and visitors.
- Raise awareness: Residents and visitors are aware of the variety of outdoor recreation opportunities in Michigan and have access to relevant information to connect with these opportunities.
- Improve recreational access: Recreation opportunities are connected and accessible to residents and visitors of all backgrounds, abilities, means, and geographic locations.
- Provide quality experiences: Michigan's outdoor recreation provides users with quality experiences in balance with resource management and conservation.
- Enhance health benefits: Outdoor recreation increases physical activity and the health of Michigan's residents and visitors.
- Enhance prosperity: Outdoor recreation advances economic prosperity and supports a high quality of life as well as talent retention in Michigan's communities.

RECREATION ACTION PLAN

The City of Warren operates a comprehensive and extensive parks and recreation program, which is one of the primary providers of recreation services to Warren residents. Warren's park sites were originally acquired and developed during the City's major growth periods which occurred in the 1950s and 1960's. During these two decades, Warren was one of Michigan's fastest growing communities.

Today, Warren faces significantly different challenges and needs than 40 or 50 years ago. Residential, commercial, and industrial development has left little remaining suitable land for recreation purposes. Further, declines in the City's overall population, the changing demographic characteristics for City residents, and the closing of many school sites all combine to influence the availability and delivery of recreation services.

The primary purposes of the Recreation Plan is to assess how these changes impact the Recreation Department. Preceding chapters documented the changing characteristics of the City's population, the availability of existing recreation facilities and programs and future needs based on the community survey, an examination of each park site, and interviews with school officials. Based on this analysis, the following Action Plan is offered to address these needs on both a short and long-term basis.

The Action Plan considers each element of the City's recreation program, including neighborhood and community parks, indoor facilities, administration, programming, financing, and relationship to other recreation providers. Specific recommendations are offered for each of these subjects. Each recommendation is followed by a detailed description of the proposed action. Each of the following recommended improvements is based upon needs or deficiencies cited in previous Chapters.

RECOMMENDATION 1: SAFETY FOR THE RESIDENTS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTERS AND PARKS, PROVIDING EXTERIOR LIGHTING, SURVEILLANCE AND SAFEGUARDING THE PARKING LOTS WHILE PROVIDING YEAR-ROUND MAINTENANCE.

Plow snow and salt paths before open hours at the community centers, parking lots need to be repaired and kept clean of trash. Snow removal needs to improve to allow for more parking spaces. Busse Park has uneven and cracked potholes. Residents are also concerned with the safety – "Security is terrible, need more lighting at Campbell and Common Road. Additional comments, parks are currently, dangerous, and under lit, asphalt needs repair and resurfacing. There are a lot of broken benches.

RECOMMENDATION 2: MAINTAIN, RENOVATE OR REPLACE ALL INDOOR AND OUTDOOR FACILITIES ON A ROUTINE SCHEDULE.

Restrooms are not maintained well, old, not taken care of, bathrooms are filthy, and restrooms should be renovated. The shower needs to be Cleaned we found mold, bathrooms are filthy, yoga floor in the recreation center needs to be cleaned. Hire more janitorial staff to sweep the floors in the meeting rooms, yoga rooms. Clean locker-room and restrooms more often. Old playground equipment should be replaced as this equipment is outdated, and rusty Add

recycling bins and trash receptacles. Park restrooms are in terrible condition or locked and we cannot use.

RECOMMENDATION 3: INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY AVAILABLE FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES, ESPECIALLY CAPITAL INVESTMENTS IN PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

RECOMMENDATION 4: ENSURE ADA BARRIER –FREE ACCESSIBILITY IN ALL PARKS. UPDATE AND MODERNIZE ALL COMFORT STATIONS TO ADA STANDARDS. UPDATE PLAY STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT TO BE UNIVERSAL FOR ALL CHILDREN TO PLAY.

Need more designed structures for special needs population such as autism and movement disabilities. Need more benches for seniors. More play structures integrated into the nature of the park. Butcher Park there are no ADA accommodations, need more walking paths and accessible paths and wheelchair accessible picnic tables.

RECOMMENDATION 5: CREATE NEW RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES WITHIN THE PARK SYSTEM SUCH AS DISC GOLF COURSE, BICYCLE PUMP PARK, PICKLE BALL COURTS, SKATE PARKS, EXPAND FOR NEW DOG PARKS.

Current Dog Park is too small, Current location of the dog park is not ideal. We need new dog parks the current one does not serve the needs of anyone any longer. Yes, we would use Pickle Ball Courts, Skate Park would be great for our kids and the community. Bring in outside vendors for example: Tree Runner: www.treerunnerrochester.com for possible revenue. A possible park that could accommodate the Tree Runner would be Licht Park.

RECOMMENDATION 6: WORK WITH LOCAL AGENCIES FOR TRAIL CONNECTIONS FOR WARREN AND THROUGHOUT SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN.

Work with the potential park and trail connectors like: <https://www.miwarren.org/iron-belle-trail-crowdsourcing-map/> for future park opportunities for connecting the trails. Look for other potential trail connectors as residents commented that they would use trails for walking and biking.

RECOMMENDATION 7: EXPAND THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT STAFFING TO BETTER SERVICE THE PUBLIC.

Expand the Parks and Recreation department staffing to better service the public. Hire more full-time employees to fill the gap of 12 employees for the Parks and Recreation Department. Additionally, hire more seasonal employees to fill the gap of 100 employees.

RECOMMENDATION 8: CREATE A TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM APPLICATION WERE RESIDENTS CAN QUERY AND COMMUNICATE UPDATES.

Create a technology platform application were residents can query and communicate updates. The updates for example could indicate what restrooms are currently open to the

public. The application could be used for school groups to note amenities, and park features. This could be very similar to the 311 application that the City of Warren currently uses.

RECOMMENDATION 9: DEVELOP COMMUNITY GARDENS, AS WELL AS NATURE PATHS FOR SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS. COLLABORATION WITH THE DIFFERENT COMMUNITY GROUPS SO THEY MAY WORK TOGETHER ON FUTURE PROJECTS.

“Social exclusion and social isolation refer to a lack of access to opportunities, connections, and resources available to the majority.”
(No Isolation, 2017)

“Regardless of its cause—geographical location, ability, marginalized identity, illness, stigma, or other factors—social isolation has far-reaching health impacts [...] In response to these serious impacts, public health has developed a range of health interventions and coalitions designed to address upstream causes of social exclusion (Aldridge et al., 2018). In these efforts, place-based arts and cultural strategies can play crucial roles by supporting the “drivers” of social cohesion—the ways in which people become closer to one another, more connected to the place in which they live, more likely to engage in civic life, and more likely to hold aspirations for improving the common good. Whether in busy urban settings or in quiet rural areas, through large-scale or grassroots initiatives, arts and culture interventions have been mitigating social exclusion and elevating the lived experiences of those who have previously failed to be heard, seen, or understood by neighbors or by society in general. Many of these interventions are being implemented by architects, designers, planners, artists, nonprofit housing developers, and community organizers in the community development sector.” (Creating Healthy Communities Through Cross-Sector Collaboration, Sonke, Jill, et., al)

RECOMMENDATION 10: INCORPORATE MURALS WITHIN THE PARKS AS WELL AS OTHER ART FORMS AND CULTURAL PROJECTS TO FOSTER COLLABORATIVE, AND PLACEMAKING PROJECTS FOR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY GROUPS.

“Like exercise and good nutrition, being creative is simply good for us. Epidemiological studies demonstrate that Engagement in arts and cultural activities enhances immune response, longevity, and well-being, among other outcomes [...] Arts and cultural activities can also improve community capacity and social cohesion, and they often influence areas of policy and practice such as health, community development, economic development, and education [...] Arts and culture have also been demonstrated to be highly effective for communicating within and across groups, [...] and for mobilizing social change [...]” (Creating Healthy Communities Through Cross-Sector Collaboration, Sonke, Jill, et., al)

Due to the global pandemic this is very important to the community of Warren to create opportunities to engage the community in a healthy safe environment.

SUMMARY

Creating vibrant communities that will attract new residents as well as retain younger residents to live and work in the community is essential. Preserving the natural resources is paramount to providing a healthy environment. Warren Parks and Recreation will work in tandem with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to promote stewardship, conservation, and promote collaboration to improve the outdoor recreational resources and programming for the community.

Research shows that spending time in natural environments can reduce stress, depression, anxiety, attention deficit and hyperactivity, and exhaustion (de Vries et al. 2003) MSCOR 2018-2022

The Warren Parks and Recreation Department will continue to support the Iron Belle Trail. This trail will have 793 miles of biking, and 1,223 hiking miles. This could have an impact to the City of Warren as a possible connector. When this is completed it will have routes to Belle Isle in Detroit to The Upper Peninsula in Ironwood.

Lastly, due to the current pandemic, park usage has increased for community groups, individuals, and school groups; so, it is imperative that the parks are well maintained and provide updated amenities.

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CITY OF WARREN

APPENDIX

RECREATION SURVEY, ADA ASSESSMENT, WORKSHOP-IN-A-BOX, BY-LAWS & SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

RECREATION PLANNING PROCESS

PROCESS PHASE I: 2014

Preparation of the Warren Recreation Plan was a cooperative effort involving several sectors of the City's population, including recreation participants and those responsible for providing recreation facilities and services to City residents. The Director and Superintendent of the Warren Parks and Recreation Department coordinated the planning process.

To gauge public views accurately and comprehensively on recreation issues, a survey was created. Two-Hundred and Sixty (260) surveys were returned. Links to surveys were distributed to all Warren residents through their water bill, however, only Fifty-One (51) surveys were completed through this link. Links to the survey were also available through Facebook, where seventy-two (72) surveys were completed. Hard copy surveys were also distributed at recreation centers, municipal buildings, and focus groups, this accounted for one-hundred and thirty-seven (137) surveys completed. It is the Parks and Recreation Department's intention to conduct a survey and gather information from the community to clearly establish needs based upon grant funding availability.

Nine (9) focus groups were conducted by Team-4-Community and members of the Warren Parks and Recreation Department to gather information for the Warren Parks and Recreation Master Plan. These meetings were held with the Park Board, Senior Citizens, students, local organizations, and the special needs community. These focus groups led to discussions of their current uses of parks and recreation facilities; whether or not the current inventory of facilities is adequate; what improvements could be made to existing facilities; and what new additions could be added to these parks and or facilities.

Field analysis of all City Park sites were conducted. This included an inventory of equipment and notes of its current condition. Photographs of all parks were taken to visually record this information. The recreation plan was presented at two public meetings by the Recreation Advisory Commission and by the City Council.

The above-mentioned process took place in 1991, 1997, 2003 and 2007. It is the Parks and Recreation Department's intention to primarily update all vital information to stay current for the Department of Natural Resources to meet their criteria for applying for grants.

PROCESS PHASE II: 2020

DesignTeam Plus was hired in January 2020 to update the original City of Warren Recreation Plan. DesignTeam Plus updated the original survey, and the City of Warren sent out the survey link on Facebook on February 21, 2020. DesignTeam Plus planned to host focus group meetings in March of 2020, but due to COVID-19 the meetings were canceled.

In October 2020, DesignTeam Plus conducted two evening meetings on Zoom with break-out rooms for residents to answer questions and provide additional comments. That feedback has been made a part of this document. Additionally, this document contains the 2014 Focus Group meetings that were conducted in person.

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WARREN PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION BY-LAWS

ORDINANCE NO. 32

THE CITY OF WARREN ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. There shall be created a Parks and Recreation Commission consisting of nine (9) electors of the City of Warren having the qualifications required of City officers. The members of the Parks and Recreation Commission Shall be appointed by the Mayor. The terms of the members of the Parks and Recreation Commission shall be for three (3) years, except for the first appointments, three (3) members shall be appointed for a term expiring July 1, 1963, three (3) members for a term expiring July 1, 1962 and three (3) members for a term expiring July 1, 1961. The Parks and Recreation Commission shall meet monthly with a minimum of ten (10) meetings a year.

SECTION 2. The members of the Parks and Recreation Commission shall not receive any compensation for their services on, or in connection with, the affairs of the Commission.

SECTION 3. One (1) member of the Council, to be selected by the Council annually in the month of April, shall serve as a non-voting member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term of one (1) year, beginning on the first day of May following his appointment.

SECTION 4. The Parks and Recreation Commission shall adopt at its first meeting, or as shortly thereafter as possible, such rules and regulations as necessary to carry out its purposes as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of the Parks and Recreation Commission to study and make recommendations to the Mayor and the City Council with regard to recreation policy, present and future requirements for park and recreation facilities and estimates as to the costs of acquisition and maintenance of said facilities.

SECTION 6. The Director of Parks and Recreation shall serve as Secretary of the Commission.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect on Monday, April 10, 1961.

SECTION II

TERMS OF OFFICE FOR OFFICERS

The terms of office for officers shall be for a period of one year or until the validation of a new board annually.

SECTION III

OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

The officers of the Commission shall be a Chairman and a Vice Chairman.

AMENDMENTS OF THE BY-LAWS

Amendments shall be made on 2/3 vote after publication and placing on the agenda with the acceptance Article 1 of the By-Laws which may not be amended by the Commission

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

Suspension of the rules shall be governed by the majority vote of the members of the Commission.

PETITIONS

No petition shall be acted upon until time for due consideration has been given.

DESIGNATION OF SPOKESMAN FOR COMMISSION

Any spokesman for the Commission shall be specifically designated by the Commission of any particular subject.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

All recommendations to the Mayor and Municipal Council shall show the voting of the entire Commission by roll call.

WARREN PARKS AND RECREATION QUESTIONNAIRE SURVEY

Please let us know your opinion on our parks, facilities, special events, activities, sports, and classes!

1. Have you or others in your household visited any Warren Parks and Recreation facilities over the past year?

Yes No

2. If yes, please check how frequently you or other members of your household have visited the following parks over the past year:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Halmich Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Halmich Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Halmich Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Community Center 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Community Center 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Community Center 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Square Park/Fountain 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> City Square Park/Fountain 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> City Square Park/Fountain 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Memorial Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Memorial Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Memorial Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shaw Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Shaw Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Shaw Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eckstein Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Eckstein Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Eckstein Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bates Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Bates Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Bates Park 12+ visits |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Steinhauser Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Steinhauser Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Steinhauser Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Austin-Dannis Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Austin-Dannis Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Austin-Dannis Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jaycee Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Jaycee Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Jaycee Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underwood Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Underwood Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Underwood Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Winters Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Winters Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Winters Park 12+ visits |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Groesbeck Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Groesbeck Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Groesbeck Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altermatt Park 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Altermatt Park 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Altermatt Park 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fitzgerald Recreation Center 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Fitzgerald Recreation Center 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Fitzgerald Recreation Center 12+ visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Owen Jax Recreation Center 1-5 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Owen Jax Recreation Center 6-11 visits | <input type="checkbox"/> Owen Jax Recreation Center 12+ visits |

3. Do you live within 30 minutes walking distance of one of the parks listed above?

Yes No

4. What improvements would you like to see at the parks and/or recreation facilities that you have visited? List improvements by park.

5. How satisfied are you with Warren Parks and Recreation's programs and events?

1 Poor 2 3 4 5 Excellent

6. How satisfied are you with park beautification?

1 Poor 2 3 4 5 Excellent

7. How satisfied are you with trees and wildlife?

1 Poor 2 3 4 5 Excellent

8. How satisfied are you with park facilities and equipment?

1 Poor 2 3 4 5 Excellent

9. How satisfied are you with park safety and security?

1 Poor 2 3 4 5 Excellent

10. How satisfied are you with program fees and prices?

1 Poor 2 3 4 5 Excellent

11. How satisfied are you with park cleanliness and maintenance?

1 Poor 2 3 4 5 Excellent

12. Please check all of the boxes of Warren Parks and Recreation activities that you or a member of your household use or participate in:

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking/ Walking | <input type="checkbox"/> Playground activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Picnics | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Walking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jogging/ Running | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Skating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cycling | <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer | <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis | <input type="checkbox"/> Disc Golf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Table Tennis | <input type="checkbox"/> Pickle Ball |

13. Please check all of the boxes of Warren Parks and Recreation Programs or facilities that you or a member of your household participate in:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Community Center Water Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Farmer's Market | <input type="checkbox"/> Birthday Bash |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Community Center Fitness Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Carnival | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Lighting Ceremony |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Truck Rally | <input type="checkbox"/> Bike and walking trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Harvest Treat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Civic Theatre | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Swimming Lessons | <input type="checkbox"/> Park Shelters and Pavilion Rental |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cold Rush | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Exercise Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Sports Leagues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daddy Daughter Dance | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Group Fitness Classes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizens Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Gymnastics | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking Classes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warren Community Center Open Basketball | <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Mom and Son Fun Night |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Karate | <input type="checkbox"/> Piano Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Sports Leagues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photography Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Teen Oriented Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Swimming Lessons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tai Chi | <input type="checkbox"/> Violin Classes | |

14. How important is the overall beauty of city parks?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

15. How important is distance and/or ease of access to your local city park?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

16. How important is the wildlife, trees, and nature at the city parks?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

17. How important are the restroom facilities and play structures?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

18. How important is the overall park maintenance?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

19. How important is the safety and security at the parks, facilities, and events?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

20. How important is cleanliness at parks, facilities, and events?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

21. How important is the pricing of our programs, activities, and facility fees?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

22. How important is crowd size at our events, parks, and facilities?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

23. How important are educational programs to you?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

24. How important are scheduled activities to you?

- 1 Not Important 2 3 4 5 Very Important

25. What are factors that prevent you or members of your household from participating in parks and recreation activities?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scheduling inconvenience | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of information |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Doesn't meet my needs | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of interest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Costs and fees | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility | <input type="checkbox"/> Park locations |

26. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities improve health?

- 1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

27. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities help reduce crime?

- 1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

28. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase property values?

- 1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

29. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase livability?

- 1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

30. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase community pride?

- 1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

31. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities preserve nature and open space?

- 1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

32. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities strengthen families?

- 1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

33. Do you agree or disagree that WPRD parks and facilities increase cross-cultural interactions?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

34. How strongly would you support hiking and bike trail development?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

35. How strongly would you support new recreation opportunities?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

36. How strongly would you support new neighborhood parks?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

37. How strongly would you support preserving more natural areas?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

38. How strongly would you support outdoor pool and swimming facilities?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

39. How strongly would you support a public disc golf course?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

40. How strongly would you support a skateboard and BMX park?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

41. How strongly would you support a rock-climbing wall?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

42. How strongly would you support football/soccer/lacrosse facilities?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

43. How strongly would you support Wi-Fi access in the parks?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

44. How strongly would you support Cricket facilities?

1 Disagree 2 3 4 5 Strongly Agree

45. How do you stay updated about upcoming Warren Parks and Recreation programs, events, and activities?

- | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook | <input type="checkbox"/> The Warren Weekly | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsbeat | <input type="checkbox"/> City of Warren Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth | <input type="checkbox"/> School Flyers | <input type="checkbox"/> The Macomb Daily | <input type="checkbox"/> TV |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> The Detroit Free Press | <input type="checkbox"/> The Detroit News | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

46. Would you be more likely to patronize a local business that supports Warren Parks and Recreation?

- Yes No

47. Does any member of your household have a disability that limits their ability to participate in recreational activities? If yes, in other section, please list impairment.

- Yes No Other

48. Are you a Warren resident?

- Yes No

49. Please indicate number of people in your household and ages.

50. Feel free to provide additional comments or feedback in the space below regarding your experience with Warren Parks and Recreation:

2020 FOCUS GROUP AGENDA



Focus Group Agenda

October 5, 2020 & October 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 pm

Welcome: Thank you for participating today!

Introduction: DesignTeam Plus wrote the Parks and Recreation Master Plan documents in 2015, most recently, DTP has been hired to update the Parks & Recreation Master Plan documents. We are required to obtain resident input for the guidelines. DTP has a resident of Warren, and a former resident and member of the Historic Commission.

Objective of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan: DesignTeam Plus is updating the Parks & Recreation Master plan document that was completed in 2015 for the Parks and Recreation this Parks & Recreation Master Plan document is important to obtain Federal Grant opportunities, as well as a guide for future parks and the recreation development. The plan must also be approved and accepted by the Department of Natural Resources.

Breakout Rooms by District

Questions for the Focus Group Residents:

- How satisfied are you with overall park safety and security?
- How satisfied are you with the cleanliness & maintenance of the restrooms?
- How important is having the play structures?
- What do you currently use at the parks?
- Are the parks accessible for all your family members?
- Would your family use a dog park?
- Would you use the park for pickle ball?
- Do you agree that the Warren Parks and facilities preserve nature and open space?
- Do you agree that Warren Parks & Recreation increase livability?
- Do you agree that Warren Parks & Recreation increase community pride?

Any other recommendations for the Parks and Recreation

Thank you for your participation

ADA CHECKLIST

Date _____

Park _____

Address _____

PRIORITY 1: APPROACH & ENTRANCE

1.1 Is there at least one route from site arrival points that does not require stairs? Yes No

1.2 If parking is provided, are an adequate number of accessible spaces provided?
 Yes No Total # _____ Accessible # _____

1.3 Are the spaces at least 8' wide with an access aisle at least 5' wide? Yes No

1.4 Is one space of every six ADA spaces van accessible? Yes No

1.5 Are the spaces at least 11' with a 5' wide isle or 8' with an 8' isle? Yes No

1.6 Is there 98" of vertical clearance provided for the van accessible space? Yes No

1.7 Are access aisles marked so to discourage parking in them? Yes No

1.8 Is the slope of the ADA parking spaces and access aisles no steeper than 1:48? Yes No

1.9 Do access aisles adjoin an accessible route? Yes No

1.10 Are ADA spaces identified with a sign that includes the international symbol of accessibility? Yes No
 Is it above 60" from the ground? Yes No

1.11 Are there signs reading "van accessible" at the van spaces? Yes No
 Of the total parking spaces, are the accessible spaces located on the closest accessible route to the accessible entrances? Yes No

EXTERIOR ACCESSIBLE ROUTE

1.13 Is the route stable, firm and slip-resistant? Yes No

1.14 Is the route at least 36" wide w/ no portions narrower than 32" for more than 24"? Yes No

1.15 If the route is greater than 200' in length, is there a passing space of 60"x60"? Yes No

1.16 If there are grates or openings on the route, are the openings no larger than 1/2" to the dominant direction of travel? Yes No

1.17 Is the running slope no steeper than 1:20? Yes No

1.18 Is the cross slope no steeper than 1:48? Yes No

CURB RAMPS

- 1.19 If the accessible route crosses a curb, is there a curb ramp? Yes No
- 1.20 Is the running slope of the curb no steeper than 1:12? Yes No
- 1.21 Is the cross slope of the curb ramp no steeper than 1:48? Yes No
- 1.22 Is the curb ramp at least 36" wide? Yes No
- 1.23 At the top of the curb ramp is there a level landing that is at least 36"x36"? Yes No
- 1.24 If the landing at the top is less than 36", are there curb ramp flares no greater than 1:12? Yes No

ENTRANCE

- 1.25 Is the main entrance accessible? Yes No
- 1.26 If not, is there an alternative entrance? Yes No
 Can the alternative accessible entrance be used independently and during the same hours as the main entrance? Yes No
- 1.27 Do all inaccessible entrances have signs indicating the location of the nearest accessible entrance?
 Yes No
- 1.28 If not, all entrances are accessible, is there a sign at the accessible entrance with the International Symbol of Accessibility? Yes No
- 1.29 Is the clear opening width of the accessible entrance door at least 32"? Yes No
- 1.30 If there is a front approach to the pull side of the door, is there 18" of maneuvering clearance beyond the latch side plus at least 60" of clear depth? Yes No
 On both sides of the door, is the ground or floor surface of the maneuvering clearance level no steeper than 1:48? Yes No
- 1.31 Is the door threshold edge no more than 1/4" high? Yes No **Measurement** _____
 Or No more than 3/4" high if slope is beveled no steeper than 1:2? Yes No N/A
- 1.32 Is the door equipped with hardware, including locks, that is operable with one hand and does not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist? Yes No N/A
- 1.33 Are the operable parts of the door hardware no less than 34" and no greater than 48" above the floor or ground surface? Yes No **Measurement** _____
- 1.34 If the door has a closer, does it take 5 seconds to close from an open position of 90deg. to 12 deg from the latch? Yes No N/A **Measurement** _____
- 1.35 If there are two doors in a series, is the distance between the doors at least 48" plus the width of the doors when swinging into the space? Yes No N/A **Measurement** _____
- 1.36 If provided at the building entrance, are carpets or mats no higher than 1/2" thick? Yes No N/A
Measurement _____
- 1.37 Are edges of carpets or mats securely attached to minimize tripping hazards? Yes No N/A

PRIORITY 3- TOILET ROOMS

3.1 If toilet rooms are available to the public, is at least one toilet room accessible? Yes No N/A

3.2 Are there signs at inaccessible toilet rooms that give directions to accessible toilet rooms? Yes No N/A

3.3 If not, all toilet rooms are accessible, is there a sign at the accessible toilet room with the International Symbol of Accessibility? Yes No N/A

ACCESSIBLE ROUTE TO TOILET ROOMS

3.4 Is there a route to the accessible toilet rooms that does not include the use of stairs? Yes No N/A

Is the route accessible? Yes No N/A

SIGNS AT TOILET ROOMS

3.5 Do text characters contrast with their backgrounds? Yes No

Are text Characters raised? Yes No

Is there Braille? Yes No

Is the sign mounted on the latch side of the door? Yes No

Is the baseline of the lowest character at least 48" and no more than 60"? Yes No

ENTRANCE TO TOILET ROOMS

3.6 Is the clear opening width of the accessible entrance door at least 32" when the door is open? Yes No

3.7 If there is a front approach to the pull side of the door is there at least 18" of maneuvering clearance beyond the latch side plus 60"? Yes No N/A **Measurement:**_____

3.8 Is the door threshold edge no more than 1/4" high? Yes No N/A **Measurement:**_____

OR No more than 3/4" high if slope is beveled no steeper than 1:2? Yes No N/A **Measurement:**_____

3.9 Is the door equipped with hardware that is operable with one hand and does not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist? Yes No N/A **Measurement:**_____

3.10 Are the operable parts of the door hardware mounted no less than 34" and no greater than 48" above the floor? Yes No N/A **Measurement:**_____

3.11 Can the door be opened easily (5lbs. max)? Yes No **Measurement:**_____

3.12 If the door has a closer, does it take at least 5 seconds to close from an open position of 90 degrees to a position of 12 degrees from the latch? Yes No N/A **Measurement**_____

3.13 If there are two doors in a series, on both sides of the door, is the distance between the doors at least 48" plus the width of the doors when swinging into the space? Yes No

3.14 If there is a privacy wall and the door swings out, is there at least 24" of maneuvering clearance beyond the door latch side and 42" to the privacy wall? Yes No N/A **Measurement**_____

3.15 If there is a privacy wall and the door swings in, is there at least 24" of maneuvering clearance beyond the door latch side and at least 48" to the privacy wall if there is no door closer or at least 54" if there is no door closer? Yes No N/A **Measurement:** _____

IN THE TOILET ROOM

3.16 Is there a clear path to at least one of each type of fixture, e.g. lavatory, hand dryer, etc., that is at least 36" wide? Yes No

3.17 Is there clear floor space available for a person in a wheelchair to turn around (60" dia.)? Yes No

3.18 In a single user toilet room, if a door swings in and over a clear floor space at an accessible fixture, is there a clear floor space at least 30"x48" beyond the swing of the door? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.19 If the mirror is over a lavatory or countertop, is the bottom edge of the reflecting surface no higher than 40" off the floor? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Or if the mirror is not over the lavatory or countertop, is the bottom edge at least 35" off the floor?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.20 If there is a coat hook, is it no less than 15" and no greater than 48" above the floor?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

LAVATORIES

3.21 Does at least one lavatory have a clear floor space for a forward approach at least 30" x48"?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.22 Do no less than 17" and no greater than 25" of the clear floor space extend under the lavatory so that a person using a wheelchair can get close enough to reach the faucet?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.23 Is the front of the lavatory or counter surface, whichever is higher, no more than 34" above the floor?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.24 Is there at least 27" clearance from the floor to the bottom of the lavatory that extends at least 8" under the lavatory for knee clearance? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.25 Is there toe clearance at least 9" high? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.26 Are pipes below the lavatory insulated or otherwise configured to protect against contact? Yes No

3.27 Can the faucet be operated without tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist? Yes No

Is the force required to activate the faucet no greater than 5 lbs.? Yes No

SOAP DISPENSERS AND HAIR DRYERS

3.28 Are the operable parts of the soap dispenser within one of the following ranges?

Above the lavatories or counters no less than 20" and no greater than 25" deep: no higher than 44" off the floor? Yes No

Above the lavatories less than 20" deep: no higher than 48" above the floor? Yes No

Not over an obstruction: no higher than 48" above the floor? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.29 Are the operable parts of the hand dryer or towel dispenser within one of the following ranges?

Above the lavatories or counters no less than 20" and no greater than 25" deep: no higher than 44" above the floor? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Above lavatories less than 20" deep: No higher than 48" above the floor?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Not over an obstruction: no higher than 48" above the floor?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Can the operable parts of the hand dryer or towel dispenser be operated without tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist? Yes No

Is the force required to activate the hand dryer or towel dispenser no greater than 5 lbs?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

WATER CLOSETS IN SINGLE-USER TOILET ROOMS AND STALLS

3.30 Is the centerline of the water closet no less than 16" and no greater than 18" from the side wall or partition?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.31 Is clearance provided around the water closet measuring at least 60" from the side wall and at least 56" from the rear wall? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.32 Is the height of the water closet no less than 17" and no greater than 19" above the floor measured to the top of the seat? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.33 Is there a grab bar at least 42" long on the side wall? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Is it located no more than 12" from the wall? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Does it extend at least 54" from the rear wall? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Is it mounted no less than 33" and no greater than 36" above the floor to the top of the gripping surface?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Are there at least 12" clearance between the grab bar and protruding objects above? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Is there at least 1-1/2" clearance between the grab bar and protruding objects above? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Is the space between the wall and the grab bar 1-1/2"? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.34 Is there a grab bar at least 36" long on the rear wall? Yes No **Measurement:**_____

Does it extend at least 12" from the centerline of the water closet on one side? Yes No

Measurement:_____

Does it extend at least 24" on the other open side? Yes No **Measurement:** Yes No

Measurement:_____

Is it mounted no less than 33" and no greater than 36" above the floor to the top of the gripping surface?

Yes No **Measurement:**_____

Are there at least 12" clearance between the grab bar and protruding objects above?

Yes No **Measurement:**_____

Are there at least 1-1/2 inches clearance between the grab bar and the projecting objects below?

Yes No **Measurement:**_____

Is the space between the wall and the grab bar 1-1/2"? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.35 If the flush control is hand operated, is the operable part located no higher than 48" above the floor?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.36 If the flush control is hand operated, can it be operated with one hand and without tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Is the force required to activate the flush control no greater than 5 lbs? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.37 Is the flush control on the open side of the water closet? Yes No

3.38 Is the toilet paper dispenser located no less than 7" and no greater than 9" from the front of the water closet to the centerline of the dispenser?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

3.39 Is the outlet of the dispenser: Located no less than 15" and no greater than 48" above the floor?

Yes No **Measurement:** _____

Not located behind grab bars? Yes No

3.40 Does the dispenser allow continuous paper flow? Yes No

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- 3.41** Is the door opening width at least 32" clear, between the face of the door and the stop, when the door is open 90 deg.? Yes No **Measurement:** _____
- 3.42** Is there is a front approach to the pull side of the door, is there at least 18" of maneuvering clearance beyond the latch side plus 60" clearance depth? Yes No **Measurement:** _____
- 3.43** Is the door self-closing? Yes No
- 3.44** Are there door pulls on both sides of the door that are operable with one hand and do not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist? Yes No
- 3.45** Is the lock operable with one hand and without tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist? Yes No
- 3.46** Are the operable parts of the door hardware mounted no less than 34" and no greater than 48" above the floor? Yes No **Measurement:** _____
- 3.47** Is the compartment at least 60" wide? Yes No **Measurement:** _____
- 3.48** If the water closet is wall hung, is the compartment at least 56" deep?
Yes No **Measurement:** _____
- 3.49** If the water closet is floor mounted, is the compartment at least 59" deep?
Yes No **Measurement:** _____
- 3.50** If the door swings in, is the minimum required compartment area provided beyond the swing of the door 60"x56" wall hung or 59" floor mounted? Yes No **Measurement:** _____

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