Parks & Recreation Commission

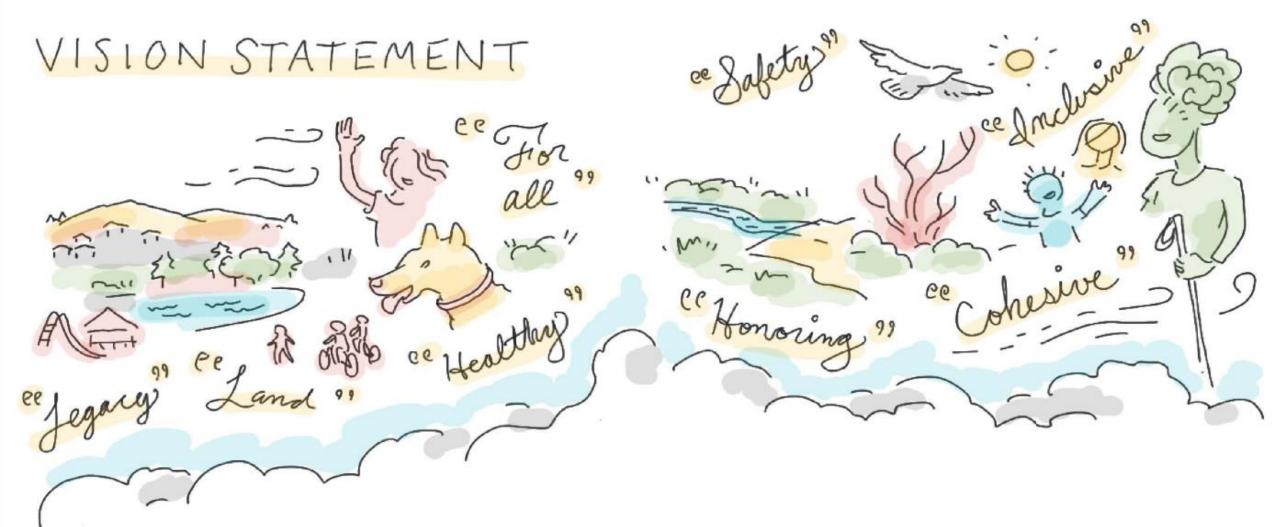
2022 Annual Report

2.06.23 Council workshop

Presented by: Ellen Burton, Chair Steve Lorenz, Past Chair Jason Irving, Vice Chair



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People, Plans & Partnerships

- Congratulations to Steve Lorenz on his Florence B. Wager – The V-Formation Flyer award
- Welcome Jenny Wu to the Commission
- Council adoption of the 2022 PROS Plan and Capital Facilities Plan
- Thank you, Camas Parks Foundation for your partnership from fundraising to programs and events
- Ivy League celebrated 5-yr anniversary
- No Smoking Signs Artwork from Camas elementary and middle school students



Recreation Programs

- **THANK YOU, Volunteers** 517 individuals contributed 2360 volunteer hours
- **Special Events back in full force** 21 live events with 11,379 participants all made possible by staff + 1,303 volunteer hours and partners/sponsors donations (\$11,597 Cash and \$11,436 In-kind)
- Recreation class offerings back to pre-COVID numbers 263 classes with 2,376 participants
- Program and Scholarship donations Thank you to Camas Parks Foundation and Parks Foundation of Clark County for supporting programming and scholarships; and instructors for providing free summer pop-up classes in the parks.
- Pilot Programs Summer Experiences & Enrichment for Kids (SEEK) Fund through the Association of Washington Cities awarded the City funds to pilot two summer camps with EatWell Camas and Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group.



Partnerships for Capital Projects

- **\$38,840 Fundraised for Skatepark Improvements** Thank you to dedicated community members, local businesses and non-profit partners (Camas Parks Foundation, Norman C Danielson Foundation and Parks Foundation of Clark County)
- Parks Foundation of Clark County awarded \$8,000 to Camas for future sand volleyball court
- Green Mountain Thank you Clark County for awarding \$1.25 million from Conservation Futures program towards the acquisition of the Green Mountain property

Parks, Recreation & Open Space (PROS) Plan



2022 work plan outcomes

PROS Plan includes:

- 4 Goal Themes
- 23 Goals
- 62 Actions

The 2022 Work Plan focused on 19 goals with 40 actions from the PROS Plan. *Of the 40 actions, the Commission and staff prioritized six (6) Strategic Initiatives – all are implemented or underway and on-track.*

PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE PLAN

City of Camas

March 2022



What next?

Implementing the adopted 2023-24 budget:

- <u>Complete existing projects</u> Skatepark, Crown Park, Louise Block bleachers, S. Lacamas Creek TH, T-3 Trails...
- <u>Continue improving programs</u> Improve access to programs for all ages, grow water safety campaign, standardize signage...
- Initiate new projects Sports Field Assessment, Bike Park, Open Space Management Plan, Community pool & Community Center planning, Legacy Lands Master Plan
- <u>Recruit new staff positions</u> Parks Project
 Manager & Recreation Specialist

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