

FY 2023-2025 Council Goals / Parks and Recreation Achievements

Council Goal: Invest in our park system for current and future residents of Sandy and continue expansion of recreational opportunities for the community.

GOAL	NOTES
Design and construct the Community Campus Park improvements.	Completed
Complete design and construct park improvements at Deer Point Park.	In-Progress
Research and act on the purchase of park land for future park facilities and/or natural area and open space preservation.	In research phase
Work with the Oregon Trail School District for developing a new facility use agreement.	Currently Strategizing with Administration and Council
Explore ways to connect Sandy residents with aquatic opportunities, including swim lessons and water safety programs.	Completed
Reestablish a volunteer program and expand volunteer opportunities.	Completed

Draft Parks and Recreation Department Goals for 2025-2027

Mission: The City of Sandy's Parks and Recreation team will help engage and strengthen community belonging by developing and maintaining safe, clean, and accessible parks as well as providing inclusive and diverse programs and services.

Vision: We aim to advance Sandy's parks, programs, services, and policies while striving to be a leader in the field of Parks and Recreation and a pillar to the community of Sandy.

The following proposed goals for 2025-2027 reflect our commitment to our department's mission and vision.

1. **Deer Pointe Park Construction - In Progress and rollover from 2023-2025**
 - Complete the ongoing construction efforts to bring Deer Pointe Park to fruition, enhancing recreational space and community accessibility for this long awaited neighborhood park.
 - **Alignment:** This project directly supports our mission by developing safe, clean, and accessible parks that foster a sense of community belonging.
2. **Meinig Park Renovation - In Progress and rollover from 2023-2025**
 - Continue the design and public engagement phase for the Meinig Park renovation.
 - Secure construction funding for the 2025-2027 budget to begin implementing renovations based on community feedback and design plans.
 - Apply for the LGGP grant through OPRD.
 - **Alignment:** Engaging the community in Meinig Park's redesign aligns with our mission to maintain safe and accessible parks, and our vision to strengthen community belonging and advance our role as a pillar in Sandy through responsive park planning.
3. **Staffing to Support Parks Growth**
 - Hire an additional parks maintenance staff member to support increased developed park acreage and event demands, including WinterFest installation.
 - **Alignment:** Additional staffing ensures the quality and safety of our parks, enabling us to fulfill our mission of providing well-maintained spaces and responsive services.
4. **Facility Maintenance Plan Development**
 - Develop a comprehensive facility maintenance plan to ensure sustainable upkeep of city facilities.
 - Advocate for funding to support this plan, including a facilities support person dedicated to ongoing facility care.
 - **Alignment:** A structured maintenance approach promotes safe, clean parks and city facilities that support community belonging, fulfilling our mission of sustained and quality facility management.
5. **School District IGA for Shared Use - In Progress and rollover from 2023-2025**
 - Continue efforts to establish an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the local school district to maximize shared use of facilities.
 - **Alignment:** This partnership will expand diverse and inclusive recreational opportunities, helping us become a stronger community pillar and advancing our vision of leadership in Parks and Recreation.

6. Aquatic Opportunities - Ongoing Goal

- Maintain and expand aquatic programs, exploring partnerships and funding to serve the community.
- **Alignment:** By providing diverse recreational options, we support our mission of offering inclusive programs that encourage belonging and enrich community life.

7. Tickle Creek Restoration and Planning

- Pursue grant funding for the Tickle Creek restoration project; explore alternative funding if grants are unavailable.
- **Alignment:** Restoration efforts uphold our commitment to safe, clean natural spaces, demonstrating leadership in environmental stewardship and supporting community engagement in outdoor activities.

8. Future Park and Natural Space Acquisitions - roll over from 2023-2025

- Continue to research potential properties for future parks and natural spaces to meet recreational needs.
- **Alignment:** Expanding park and natural spaces helps fulfill our mission of inclusivity and accessibility, ensuring the community's growth and evolving needs are met.

9. WinterFest Expansion

- As WinterFest continues to grow, assess staffing and resource needs for efficient installation while maintaining other park services.
- **Alignment:** WinterFest brings the community together, fostering belonging and advancing our role as a community pillar by creating safe, festive, and inclusive seasonal spaces.

10. Trail Construction and Enhancements

- Prioritize trail construction and improvements, including those at Sandy River Park, in partnership with the non-profit like Northwest Trail Alliance (NWTa), and explore renovating the Sandy Ridge Marcy Trailhead.
- **Alignment:** Trails encourage community engagement with nature, advancing our mission of accessible, diverse services and aligning with our vision to lead in recreational offerings.