

## CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

### REQUEST FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

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**ITEM DESCRIPTION:** A resolution adopting the City of Sheboygan Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

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**REPORT PREPARED BY:** Joe Kerlin, Superintendent of Parks and Forestry

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**REPORT DATE:** August 8, 2023

**MEETING DATE:** August 15, 2023

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#### FISCAL SUMMARY:

Budget Line Item: N/A  
Budget Summary: N/A  
Budget: N/A  
Expenditure:  
Budgeted Revenue: N/A

#### STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Wisconsin Statutes: N/A  
Municipal Code: N/A

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**BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:** The Department of Public Works hired GRAEF-USA Inc. in 2021 to work with the Department to facilitate and update the current five-year Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. The outcome of the project will be an adopted plan maximizing outdoor recreation opportunities serving both residents and visitors drawn to the unique Lake Michigan coastline and its related streams and river. The plan will balance the community's recreational needs and prioritize best management practices between recreational program, public access and responsible interface with coastal resources.

#### Project Tasks and Deliverables:

- Final updated five-year Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.
- Community Survey results and comments from in person and an online survey concerning park and recreational usage, future needs and maintenance for the City's parks.
- At least three public meetings, along with community survey and social media outreach.
- At least five facilitated information gathering meetings with steering committee.
- Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan draft document.
- Council approve document for the City of Sheboygan.

**STAFF COMMENTS:** The Department of Public Works staff is very happy with the plan and ask that it be recommended to the Common Council.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Motion to recommend the Common Council adopt Resolution No. 36-23-24 adopting the City of Sheboygan Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- I. Res. No. 36-23-24
- II. 2024 - 2028 Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan
- III. 2024 – 2028 Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Appendix