



## Memorandum

**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Kay Okey, Parks & Recreation Director  
**Date:** 2-22-222  
**Subject:** **Consider Adoption of Park Master Plan**

Action Requested: Staff and the Park and Recreation Commission recommend adoption of the Park Master Plan.

Background: One of the Park and Recreation Department's Strategic Initiatives was to develop a comprehensive park concept plan for the community to guide future changes and improvements. This plan preparation began in late 2020 and continued into early 2022. Through a public engagement process, which included a resident survey, individual park assessments, and public meetings the concept plan was refined into the Park Master Plan.

The Council approved funding for a comprehensive study with the firm WSB in December 2020. The Parks and Recreation Department and the Parks and Recreation Commission presented a draft of the plan to the City Council on October 11, 2021. Final review by the Park and Recreation Commission was on January 11, 2022. Public Open House was on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at City Hall and January 20-23 at Able Park.

Discussion: At its October 11, 2021 meeting City Council was presented with a draft of the master plan and were able to provide feedback to the firm WSB. Park and Rec Commission, city staff were present to answer any questions.

City Councilmembers discussed various aspects of the proposed plan. The City Council discussed the importance of working with the Parks and Recreation Commission to prioritize various aspects of the plan to spread out cost impacts over a period of 10-20 years.

Financial Impact: Projects within the plan are to be funded, over time, using the Parks Improvement Fund, as well as any and all grant opportunities. Overall, the proposed park plans will require significant dollars to implement and maintain. These projects are intended to be implemented over time based on priorities determined by City staff, the Parks and Recreation Commission, and ultimately, the City Council.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Parks Master Plan

Respectfully submitted,

*Kay Okey*

Director of Parks and Recreation