



City of Coopersville 2026 - 2030 Community Parks and Recreation Master Plan





COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN

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SECTION 1
INTRODUCTION



COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

Parks, Recreation and Open Space are important elements of all communities and reflect positively on the quality of life for residents. In recent years, a more holistic approach to recreational planning has been encouraged, stretching beyond the boundaries of traditional parks to include sidewalks, linear trails, greenways, town squares, plazas and other publicly and privately owned lands. In addition to the human benefits of recreation and open space, there are also important environmental benefits such as water resource protection, reduced vehicular traffic and plant and wildlife protection. The youth of the community are given places to go and activities to participate in that provide positive and constructive ways for them to use their leisure time. Families can find fun and inexpensive means of getting together with their friends and neighbors in a manner that builds a positive image of the community. The elderly also benefit from such programs in ways that provide for healthy and happy retirement.

PLAN PURPOSE

This 2026 City of Coopersville Community Parks and Recreation Master Plan is a guide for the future development of recreation opportunities for the residents and visitors of the City. The plan addresses current recreation issues and identifies future needs of the community and the means for meeting those needs over the upcoming five-year period. It addresses both short and long-range goals and objectives and identifies an action program by which these goals and objectives can be accomplished. In addition, the plan serves as an educational tool to acquaint local officials and residents of the need for a sound and balanced recreation program.

This Plan has been developed both to reflect the needs and goals of the community and to meet the Michigan Department of Natural Resources requirements for qualifying for Federal and State funding assistance. These funds are available for land acquisition, facility development, and improvements to new and existing parklands.

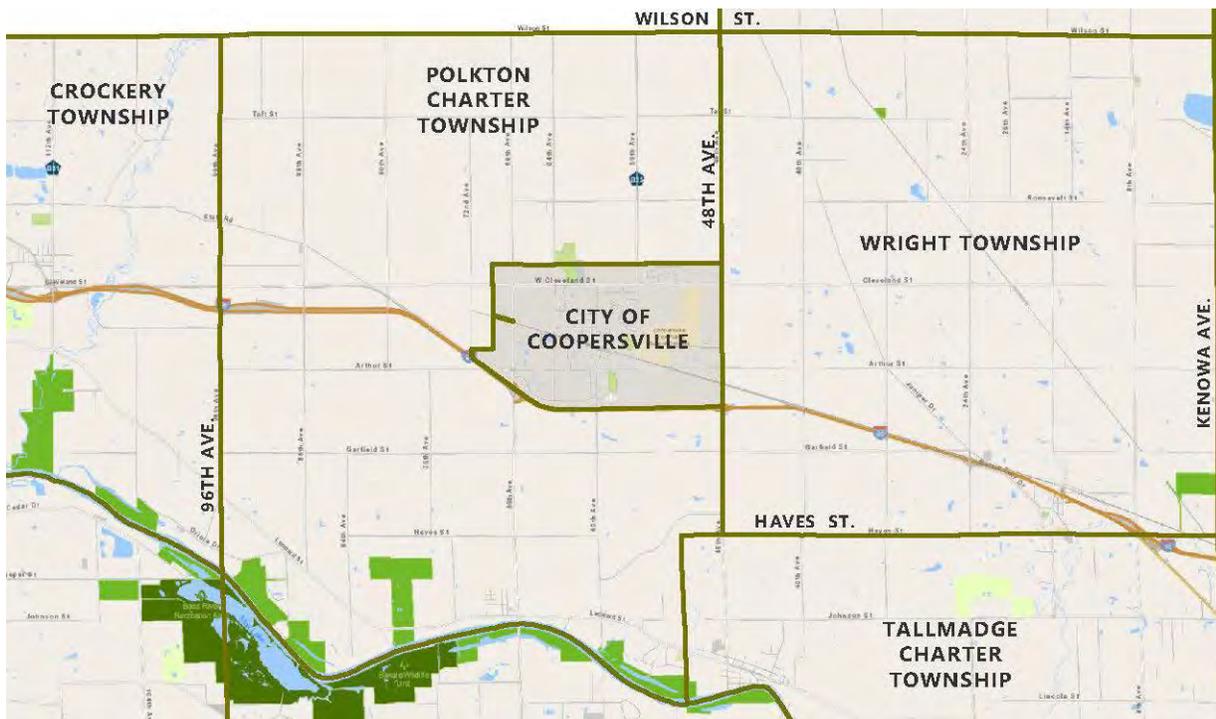


PLAN SCOPE

The scope of this plan includes the City’s active and passive recreation facilities, undeveloped open space and linear “green” corridors. Recreational programming is also an important consideration; the City offers a variety of athletic, recreation and enrichment programs for persons of all ages. The area of the plan is essentially limited to the City boundaries; however, consideration is also made of neighboring municipal and regional facilities and importantly the Coopersville Public School Campus that influences use patterns. The City of Coopersville is continuing to grow, and this plan takes into account the changes that can be expected in the future and their impact on the recreation facilities the Township provides.

In terms of time, the Capital Improvement Schedule of this document covers development over the next five years. The Goals and Objectives developed to guide recreation planning may continue to be relevant for many more years to come.

LOCATION MAP



SECTION 2
COMMUNITY
DESCRIPTION



COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 2

COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

INTRODUCTION

The City of Coopersville is a rural-suburban community located roughly halfway between Grand Rapids and Muskegon and is part of the greater Grand Rapids-Muskegon metro area. Coopersville provides a relaxed and safe quality of life, has fine local public schools and is close to many collegiate institutions. Prior to the 1970s, Coopersville was predominately a bedroom community, and residents commuted to Grand Rapids and Muskegon for work. During the 1970s and 1980s, the commercial and industrial base gradually developed. Today, Coopersville is highlighted by several large industrial employers and a mix of commercial uses in different corridors, including small businesses downtown and highway-oriented businesses along Randall Street and 68th Avenue next to the interchange with Interstate 96.

HISTORY

In 1845 Benjamin Cooper from Utica, New York purchased 640 acres in northwest Ottawa County to harvest timber. The area was heavily forested and had close proximity to the Grand River where timber could be transported to Grand Haven, a major shipping port on the Great Lakes. With the help of his two sons, Cooper built a sawmill. In 1859 the prospering lumber settlement was named Coopersville. In 1871 it became a village with a population of 500. Gradually, however, the forests became fields and farming replaced lumbering as the main economic activity. The primary business district on Main Street was destroyed by the fire in 1893 and again in 1898. On January 1, 1967, Coopersville became an incorporated city with a population of 1,800. The 2020 US Census counted 4,828 residents. The City operates under a Home Rule Charter with a Council-Manager form of government, with six council members and a mayor elected at-large for four-year terms.



DEMOGRAPHICS

This data draws on the 2020 U.S. Census, American Community Survey (ACS) estimates, and recent demographic estimates providing a current baseline and context for planning.

Wikipedia & Census Reporter Data

1. Population Overview

Total Population 2020 Census: 4,828 residents.

2023/2024 estimate: approximately 4,84–4,86K indicating mild growth.

Slight annual growth projected into 2025 (population ~4,856).

Increased from 4,275 in 2010 to 4,828 in 2020 (~13% growth over decade).

2. Age Distribution

ACS & Census data show Coopersville's relatively young population relative to state averages:

Median Age

~32.8 years (2023 ACS estimate).

Age Groups (2020 Census)

Children (0–17): ~30%

Adults 18–64: ~57%

Older Adults (65+): ~12%

(Detailed age group breakdown from 2024 data:)

0–9: ~740

10–19: ~819

20–29: ~588

30–39: ~692

40–49: ~568

50–59: ~547

60–69: ~453

70–79: ~244

80+: ~177

Summary:

A high proportion of youth indicates strong demand for family-oriented parks,

athletic fields, and youth programs.



A growing adult and senior population suggests needs for walking trails, gathering spaces, and accessibility-focused amenities.

3. Race & Ethnicity

Racial Composition (2020 Census)

White: ~89%

African American: ~1.3–3.3%

Asian: ~0.5%

Native American/Other: ~0.8%

Two or More Races: ~4–8%

Hispanic/Latino (any race): ~3–5.5%

Summary:

Coopersville is predominantly White, but with increasing diversity compared with earlier decades.

Small but meaningful representation of Hispanic/Latino and multiracial households can influence inclusive recreational programming and community cultural events.

4. Households & Family Structure

Households (2020)

1,755 households total.

Families: ~1,568.

Average family size: ~3.38.

Significant share (~30%) of households have children under 18.

Household Types

Married couples, single-parent families, and non-family households all present indicating diverse housing needs and recreational interests.

5. Education & Workforce

Educational Attainment (ACS 5-Year Data)

High school diploma or equivalent: ~30.5% of adults 25+

Some college/Associate degree: ~39%

Less than high school: ~6.6%

(Other data indicate similar distributions with some variation in estimates.)



Employment & Industries

Predominant sectors include manufacturing, healthcare, education, retail, and construction.

Workforce and educational profiles suggest opportunities for skills-based and outdoor education programs that connect recreation with community employment trends.

6. Income & Economic Context

Median Household Income

ACS estimate (2023): ~\$62,575.

(Other sources vary slightly but generally align with low-to-mid five-figure range.)

Per Capita Income

~\$25,979.

Poverty

~8% of residents below poverty level.

Housing

Median property value rising (~\$216,900).

Homeownership rates remain high (~72%).

7. Contextual & Planning Notes

Location & Regional Setting

Coopersville sits between Grand Rapids and Muskegon metro areas growing as a rural-suburban community with stable development.

Projected Growth

Population growth of ~1.5–2% annually is projected over the next decade due to development and regional trends.

Recreation Planning Insights

Younger population and families with children suggest prioritizing youth sports fields, playgrounds, and splash pads.

Significant working adult population indicates demand for multi-use trails, fitness areas, and community gardens.



Increasing median age and older adult presence support senior-friendly walkways, gathering areas, and low-impact recreation.

Household and income diversity suggests the value of accessible and low-cost recreational programming.

Summary Table: Key Demographic Indicators (Coopersville, MI)

Population (2020 Census) 4,828

Population Estimate (2024/2025) ~4,85x

Median Age

~32.8 years

Households

~1,755

Median Household Income

~\$62,575

Poverty Rate

~8%

White (race)

~89%

Hispanic/Latino

~3–5%

Census Dots

Adults 25+ with Some College ~39%



SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS POPULATION

Coopersville has grown steadily since 1940. The middle of the 20th century saw large growth spikes in the community, with Coopersville having a population growth rate of 26.5% from 1940 to 1950, 36.1% from 1970 to 1980, and 35.7% from 1970 to 1980. In the 21st century, Coopersville is still growing but only at a slower pace.

The city has experienced a period of moderate growth, with its population increasing from 3,421 in 1990 to 4,828 in 2020, representing a cumulative growth of approximately 41% over three decades. The growth rate for 2010-2020 decade was 12.9%. Projections indicate a continued annual increase of 1.5% to 2% for the next decade.

Future growth projections allow the city to understand what resources will be needed in the future and how the city compares to other nearby communities and the region as a whole.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS/RESOURCE INVENTORY

Understanding the physical features and natural resources of the City helps to explain its historical development and guide future development to ensure important natural resources are preserved and protected for future generations.

TOPOGRAPHY

The landform of Coopersville and surrounding areas is characterized as generally level to gently rolling. This topography is typical of glacial lake plains with drainage ways. The terrain is fairly uniform with the higher elevations located to the northeast of the city. Most of the variations occur in association with watershed systems in the region. The most noteworthy water feature is Deer Creek, which flows south through the center of Coopersville to the Grand River.

WATER RESOURCE

The major water resource in the area is the Grand River and its associated watershed areas, 3.5 miles south of Coopersville.

SOIL

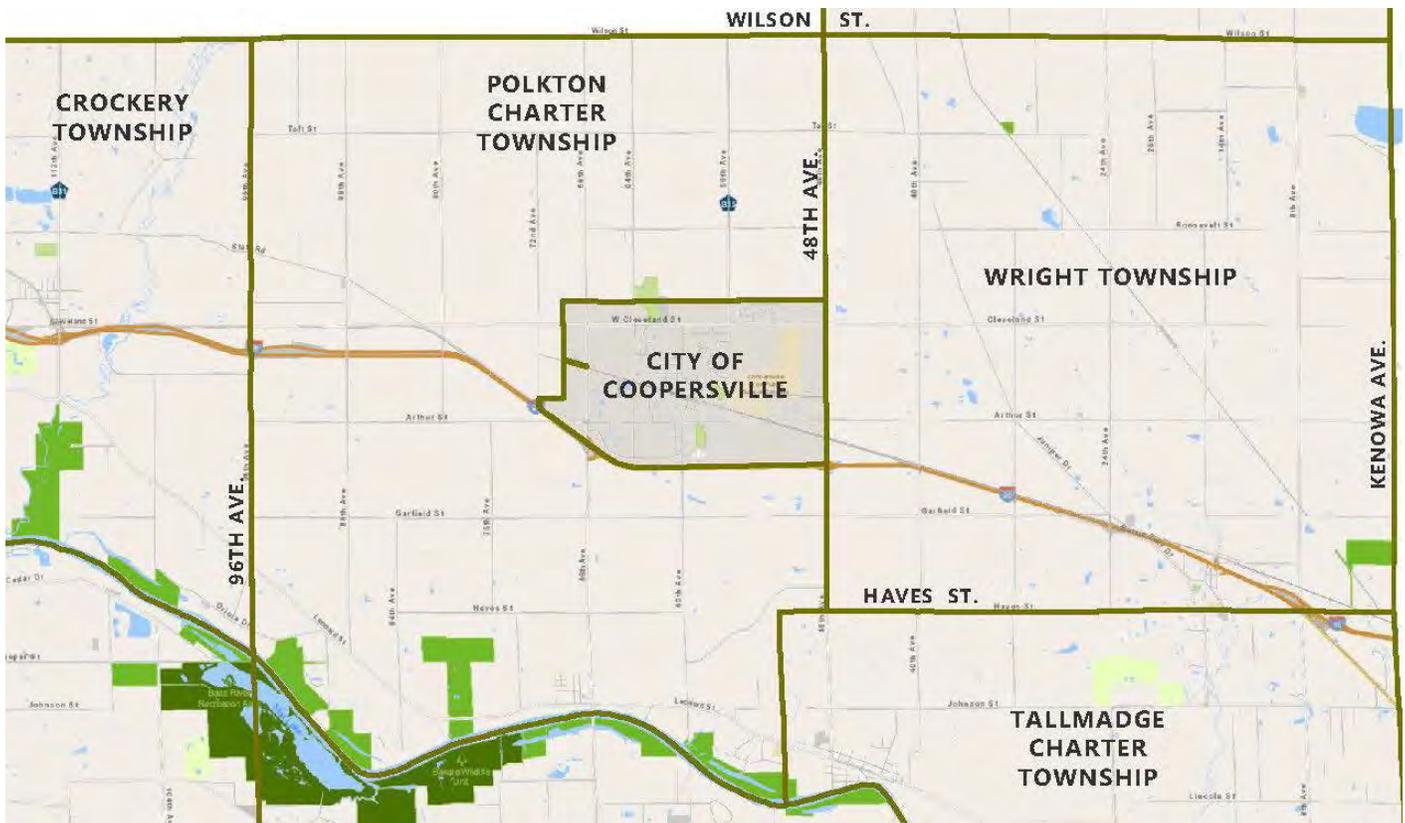
Soils found in the area are predominantly sandy to loamy (a rich, fertile soil of clay, sand, oxide of iron, and carbonate of lime) soils of glacial lake plains and drainage ways.



TRANSPORTATION

The transportation system provides a backbone for accessibility and guides how people travel. Road conditions affect the amount and type of traffic on any particular road. The conditions of a road will affect the amount and type of traffic on any particular road. Furthermore, the transportation system encompasses more than the roadway system to include all the means by which residents move around within the city and regionally, whether by public transportation, bicycling and walking, air, rail, or other means.

REGIONAL LOCATION MAP



SECTION 3
ADMINISTRATIVE
STRUCTURE

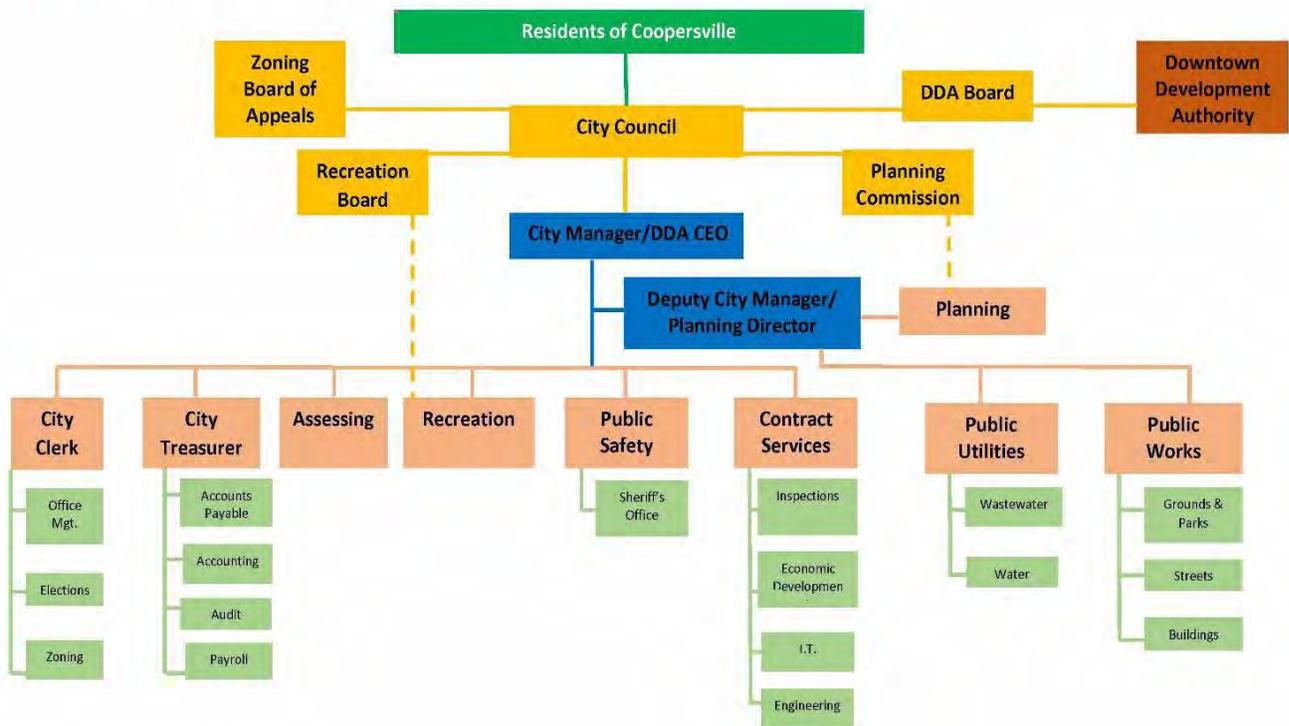


COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 3

ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE



City of Coopersville Organization Chart



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CITY OF COOPERSVILLE 2025-2026 CITY COUNCIL

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Expires</u>
Brian Mooney – Mayor	4 years	2025	2029
Renee Gavin – Mayor Pro Tem	4 years	2023	2027
Tim Degeus	4 years	2023	2027
Daniel Bowman	4 years	2023	2027
Shane Gerard	4 years	2025	2029
Peter Weise	4 years	2025	2029
Jillian Poelma	4 years	2025	2029

PARKS DEPARTMENT

The City of Coopersville has the following parks: Main Street Park, DDA Pavilion, Walk Through Park, Pocket Park Pavilion, Veterans Park, Community Park, Grove Street Park, Library Park and Perennial Park.

These parks offer amenities including archery, batting cages (seasonal), basketball courts, playgrounds, splash pad and other green spaces for activity.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

In 1995, the City of Coopersville envisioned a variety of programs for youth and adults residing in the Coopersville Area Public School district. The yearly addition of programs has helped the Coopersville Recreation Department reach that goal to meet future recreational and leisure needs.

Volunteers last year helped confirm the belief that teaching our youth a passion for sports helps keep them from spending time on destructive behavior. Participants gain increased cognitive and psychomotor skills. Families benefit from the involvement, some as cheerleaders, coaches, concession volunteers and game officials.

RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING

Youth athletic programs including Baseball, Softball, Soccer, Lacrosse, Flag Football, Rocket Football, Rocket Cheer, Volleyball, and Basketball. Adult programs include summer softball. Annual events include Adult Summerfest Softball Tournament, Youth Summer Sports Camps and 55+ Senior Programs.





RECREATION DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

The department is responsible to day-to-day operations including 50+ teams each season, sponsorships/grants, program promotion, field preparation/maintenance, sports equipment, sports registration, website maintenance, social media presence, administration (meetings, departmental budget, development of goals, policies, etc.), officials and coaches, development/implementation/evaluation of summer sports programs, and the development/implementation/evaluation of Senior Programs.

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

The Coopersville Recreation Advisory Board shall consist of not more than 9 members. Board Members’ term shall be one-year. The board consists of the Athletic Director Matt McKinnon Todd Adams, John Barrett, Josh Eisen, Shane Gerard (*City Council Representative*), Kelly Hecksel, Joe Meerman, (*one vacant City Council Member seat*)

RECREATION AND PARKS 2024-2025 BUDGET

Parks and Recreation Budget Revenues (fees): \$171,500.
 Parks and Recreation Expenditures: Parks Department \$209,113.98; Recreation & Culture Department \$458,951.36.

CITY OF COOPERSVILLE 2025-2026 BUDGET SUMMARY

The City of Coopersville adopted the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year budget on May 12, 2025. The FY 2025-26 budget sets the City’s General Operating Tax Fund levy at 13.0000 mills.

Revenues:
 General Fund: \$4,469,200
 Major & Local Roads: \$1,470,000
 Sewer Fund: \$3,355,500
 Water Fund: \$2,883,000

Expenditures:
 General Fund: \$4,883,097.39
 Major & Local Roads: \$1,715,471.95
 Sewer Fund: \$4,874,098
 Water Fund: \$3,081,798

Total Budget Revenue: \$13,018,480

Total Budget Expenditures: \$15,400,199.35



2013-2025 Youth Programs Coopersville Recreation

City/Township	Participants 2013-14	Participants 2014-15	Participants 2015-16	Participants 2016-2017	Participants 2017-2018	Participants 2018-2019	Participants 2019-2021*	Participants 2021-2022	Participants 2022-2023	Participants 2023-2024	Participants 2024-2025	%	Change (+,-)	Change %	Number of Participations
Allendale	12	15	5	11	15	26	0	32	37	46	68	2.95%	22	0.00%	2244
Casnovia	1	2	3	5	7	5	0	4	4	2	4	0.17%	2	0.93%	132
Conklin	88	106	144	151	167	184	0	133	141	156	177	7.67%	21	9.77%	5841
Comstock Park	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	7	5	5	3	0.13%	-2	-0.93%	99
Coopersville	658	881	1034	1138	1161	1201	0	1254	1288	1315	1444	62.56%	129	60.00%	47652
Fruitport	0	0	0	2	8	7	0	4	6	6	8	0.35%	2	0.93%	264
Grand Rapids	36	76	88	84	116	129	0	140	148	136	164	7.11%	28	13.02%	5412
Grandville	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0
Grant	1	4	6	4	2	0	0	1	4	4	4	0.17%	0	0.00%	132
Jension	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	4	6	5	0.22%	-1	-0.47%	165
Kenowa	0	1	0	0	3	3	0	4	3	3	5	0.22%	2	0.93%	165
Lamont	4	4	6	6	18	24	0	15	16	19	18	0.78%	-1	-0.47%	594
Marne	117	119	151	162	180	199	0	210	201	218	222	9.62%	4	1.86%	7326
Muskegon	4	1	3	4	6	10	0	8	8	12	13	0.56%	1	0.47%	429
Norton Shores	2	1	4	6	3	2	0	4	4	7	5	0.22%	-2	-0.93%	165
Nunica	20	26	32	28	25	30	0	30	28	33	27	1.17%	-6	-2.79%	891
Ravenna	61	55	26	56	81	90	0	99	103	111	107	4.64%	-4	-1.86%	3531
Rockford	0	0	1	2	5	0	0	1	3	2	1	0.04%	-1	-0.47%	33
Spring Lake	1	3	7	4	10	13	0	14	15	18	16	0.69%	-2	-0.93%	528
Sparta	7	3	6	6	2	2	0	4	4	4	2	0.09%	-2	-0.93%	66
Tallmadge	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	4	3	3	7	0.30%	4	1.86%	231
Walker	4	6	3	2	8	12	0	5	8	12	8	0.35%	-4	-1.86%	264
Wyoming	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0
Total	1016	1306	1521	1674	1819	1940	0	1978	2035	2118	2308	100%	190	100%	76164
Change		290	215	153	247	121	0	38	57	83	190				
Change since 2013/14		290	505	658	905	1026	0	1064	1121	1204	1394				
2019-2021 = COVID															

SECTION 4
RECREATION
INVENTORY



COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 4 EXISTING RECREATION INVENTORY

In order to determine the recreational needs for the City of Coopersville, an analysis of the existing facilities was undertaken. The intent of the analysis is to provide a clear evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of the existing recreational opportunities the City has to offer its citizens.

CITY PARK AND OPEN SPACE FACILITIES

The City of Coopersville provides a range of passive and active recreation opportunities for residents within its City Parks. There are eight (8) City parks and one school site (Coopersville Area Public School Campus) that have existing recreational facilities on approximately 218 acres of public or quasi-public land in the City of Coopersville. This includes approximately 94.73 acres of currently undeveloped land for future recreational space. The City properties can



be classified as follows: six neighborhood open spaces, two community parks, two natural areas. This classification is adapted from “Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines,” J. D. Mertes and J. R. Hall, 1995, as recommended by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. A more detailed description and photographic inventory of each site follows. An Existing Recreation Facilities map at the end of this section illustrates the location of public park/recreation areas within the City, and an Existing Recreation Facilities matrix provides a summary of the facilities provided at each Location.





An Accessibility Assessment of each facility was undertaken using the following ranking system for the site elements based upon the 2010 Standards for Accessible Design:

1 - NONE

2 - SOME

3 - MOST

4 - ALL

5 - THE FACILITY MEETS THE PRINCIPALS OF UNIVERSAL DESIGN

Equitable Design, Flexibility in Use, Simple and Intuitive Use, Perceptible Information and Tolerance for Error, Low Physical Effort and Size and Space for Approach and Use

NEIGHBORHOOD OPEN SPACE

Neighborhood park remains the basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. This park typically serves a ¼- to ½-mile distance and



is uninterrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers. A size of 5-10 acres is considered optimal for this type of park. The focus is on informal active and passive recreational activities, such as walking, field games, court games, playground equipment, and picnicking. The City has two neighborhood open spaces that are joined with a footbridge. The City of Coopersville also has several pocket parks ranging from .08 to .2 acres and they will be included in this category as well.





COMMUNITY PARKS

Community-wide parks serve a broader purpose than neighborhood parks and provide a range of facilities and areas capable of supporting structured and unstructured community participation. These areas are typically between 30 and 50 acres in size and serve two or more neighborhoods and ½ to 3-mile distance. Facilities may include wooded or natural areas, picnic shelters and grills, bike or hiking trails and other semi-active and passive uses for large groups of people.

They may also contain specialized recreational facilities such as swimming pools, community centers and lighted ball diamonds. Community Parks should be easily accessible throughout their service area. Currently there are two city parks classified within this category.





DDA Pavilion

Location: 301 Main Street

Size: 0.2 Acres

Amenities: Paved parking, pavilion, restrooms nearby

Activities: Farmer’s market, resting/reading, events, social district



This pavilion is located on the north side of the Main Street businesses in downtown Coopersville. The pavilion is located within the city’s social district. The pavilion has 12 picnic tables, trash cans and electric. Across the parking lot are the downtown restrooms.

Accessibility Rating: 3

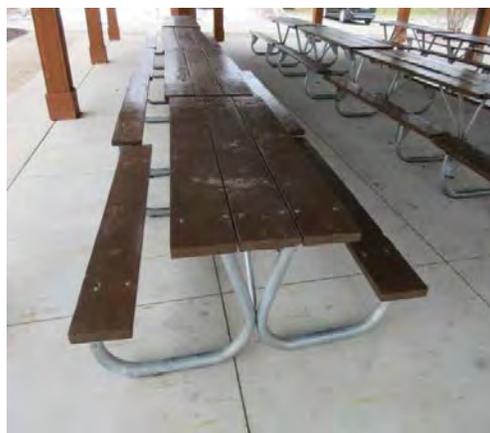
All surfacing meets ADA. Picnic tables are not barrier free.

Accessibility Improvements:

Barrier Free picnic tables should be added, and closer barrier free parking spaces should be added when the parking area is restriped.

Condition:

Pavilion is in good shape.





Perennial Park

Location: 294 Ottawa Street

Size: 0.19 Acres

Amenities: Roadside parking, water fountain & benches

Activities: Resting/reading, photography

This is a pocket park across from the public library and Depot Senior Center that is made up of perennial and annual plantings. Paving surrounding and within the park is brick. It is a passive park with no off-street parking. There is a crosswalk from the Senior Center. Decorative details include an arch, fountain and Victorian themed shed.

Accessibility Rating: 3

This park has brick walkways throughout. The bricks are historic and provide an uneven surface.

Accessibility Improvements:

Consider paving one of the brick walkways with concrete and provide an off-street barrier free parking space.



Condition:

The park is immaculate maintained and a true jewel of the community.





Pocket Park

Location: 320 Main Street

Size: 0.1 Acres

Amenities: Paved parking, pavilion, picnic tables, benches

Activities: Splash pad, resting/reading, events, social district

Located in the heart of the downtown, this recently completed park contains a shelter, water feature, picnic tables, benches, a clock tower and decorative paving.



Accessibility Rating: 5

This park was designed to be universally accessible

Accessibility Improvements:

N/A

Condition:

The park is in great condition.





Library Park

Location: 353 Ottawa Street

Size: 0.08 Acres

Amenities: Paved parking, benches, picnic table, next to the public library

Activities: Playground



This park is a playground next to the public library. Playground elements include Component Structure, Two Bay Swing (Adaptive and Belt), Caterpillar Climber, Adaptive Merry Go Round, Picnic Table and Bench. Surfacing is engineered wood fiber.

Accessibility Rating: 3

The playground structures have barrier free elements, but there is no accessible ramp into the engineered wood fiber surfacing

Accessibility Improvements:

Add accessible ramp

Condition:

The park playground is in good shape but should be inspected regularly for wear. Engineered wood fiber surfacing is gone and there is standing water in the wear zones (swings, merry go round, end of slides). Wear mats should be considered in these areas.





Main Street Park

Location: 95 Main Street

Size: 8.8 Acres (combined w/ Grove Street Park)

Amenities: Paved parking, grills, picnic tables

Activities: Disc golf, sledding hill

The park is mostly undeveloped with only a parking lot and a few picnic tables. There is a large hill that is used in the winter for sledding. The two parks are connected by a footbridge. All of this park is in the Floodplain. There is a utility easement south of the Deer Creek.



Accessibility Rating: 1

There are no accessible parking spaces, routes to picnic tables or access to the river.

Accessibility Improvements:

Add barrier free parking spaces, access to picnic tables as well as accessible route to the Deer Creek.

Condition: The park could use additional amenities to allow for more use.





Grove Street Park

Location: 94 Grove Street

Acres: 8.8 Acres (combined w/ Main Street Park)

Amenities: Paved parking, concessions, restrooms

Activities: Baseball diamond

This is the largest Neighborhood Park. This park is made up of a softball field and associated bleachers and player bench, flag football field, restroom building, storage building and lighting.

Accessibility Rating: 2

Although there are two barrier free parking spaces, there is no access for the players/coaches to the bleachers from the spaces. The restroom building does not have adjacent barrier free parking spaces.



Accessibility Improvements:

Consider locating the existing barrier free spaces closer to the bleachers/ players benches. Add barrier free spaces adjacent to the restroom building.

Condition:

The park has had a new backstop and retaining wall installed recently. The spectator and layers areas should be improved to allow for access.





**Coopersville Area Public Schools
Community Park**

Location: 198 East Street

Size: 9 Acres

Amenities: Picnic Tables, benches, learning center, overlook decks

Activities: Trails, resting, reading, learning center

This park is located on the Southeast side of the Coopersville Area Public School Site. It is mostly undeveloped with the exception of trails and fishing/overlook decks.

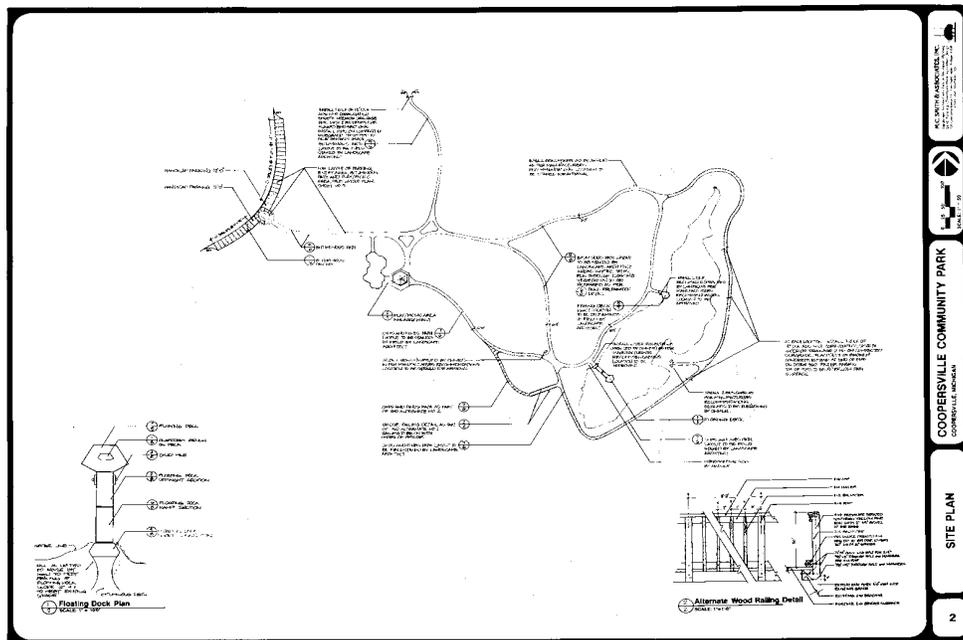
Accessibility Rating: 3

There is no barrier free parking, trails are no longer barrier free.

Accessibility Improvements:

Provide barrier free parking, improve trails to be barrier free and lower railings on fishing docks.

Condition: This park was completed in 1990 and is showing signs of age.





Veterans Park/ Coopersville Sports Complex

Location: 254 W. Randall Street

Size: 12.2 Acres

Amenities: Paved Parking, restroom, pavilion, picnic tables, benches, concessions

Activities: Basketball courts, soccer fields, baseball fields, batting cage, cornhole, archery

This is the largest City park, located on the southside of Randall Street in the southwest side of the City. The park has a shelter has 15 picnic tables, restrooms, trash cans, electric and water. The park is also home of three Little League baseball fields, a soccer field, a softball field, basketball hoops for pick-up games, horseshoe pits, an archery range. The south baseball field and the soccer field both have lights for evening play.



Accessibility Rating: 2

This park does not have paved walkway connections to most of the facilities. Playground is not accessible.

Accessibility Improvements:

- Provide accessible routes to all facilities
- Provide barrier free access to playground

Condition: The entire facility has been receiving annual updates to improve the overall accessibility.





Walkthrough Park

Location: 198 East Street

Size: 0.15 Acres

Amenities: Paved parking, restrooms, storage room, fireplace, tables & chairs

Activities: Resting/reading, seating for outdoor dining, social district

The walkthrough park is located on the north side of the Main Street between the businesses in downtown Coopersville. This area offers an inviting place to travel from Main Street to the North DDA parking lot. There are tables and chairs next to an outdoor fireplace to relax or dine outside and the area offers public restrooms.



Accessibility Rating: 5

This park was designed to be universally accessible

Accessibility Improvements:

N/A

Condition:

The park is in great condition.



North Bank Trail (under construction)

Location: From the westerly city limits (68th Ave) to the easterly city limits (48th Ave)

Size: 3+ Miles

Amenities: None, at this time

Activities: Nonmotorized trail used for outdoor activities

The City continues to advance efforts to develop and connect the North Bank Trail, a non-motorized pathway that will ultimately link Grand Haven to Grand Rapids. The regional trail has been identified within the DDA’s TIF Plan as a project that can significantly enhance community connectivity, recreation, and economic opportunity.

Much of the proposed trail alignment follows the abandoned railroad bed, making it both cost-effective and historically meaningful. The City’s portion of the project will establish a critical connection to the existing Musketawa Trail in Wright Township.

Developing this trail through Coopersville presents numerous opportunities. Increased pedestrian and bicycle traffic will support downtown storefronts, create new business prospects, and encourage innovation while enhancing the overall quality of life for residents and visitors. As a regional draw, the trail will also strengthen Coopersville’s role as a hub for recreation and economic activity.





NATURAL RESOURCE AREAS

Natural resource areas are lands set aside for preservation of significant natural resources, landscapes and open space. These sites are typically unsuitable for development but offer natural resource potential and can support recreational activities at a level that preserves the integrity of the natural resource. The location and size of these parks are largely governed by availability.





Coopersville Area Public Schools
198 East Street
82 Acres

There northern part of the Coopersville Area Public Schools Site is currently undeveloped.



Accessibility Rating: 1

This site is undeveloped with no accessible facilities.

Accessibility Improvements:

- Any future development should comply with barrier-free requirements

Condition: This natural area is currently unmaintained.



***Deer Creek Corridor
South of Mainstreet
12.73 Acres***

The City owns large sections of land along the Deer Creek that connects to Main Street/ Grove Street Park.



Accessibility Rating: 1

This site is undeveloped with no accessible facilities.

Accessibility Improvements:

- Any future development should comply with barrier-free requirements

Condition: This natural area is currently unmaintained.



PRIVATE PROPERTIES/FACILITIES

The Seaville Swim Club is a members only swim club in Coopersville, located at 465 Pine Street, offering amenities like a heated pool, toddler pool, waterslide, and concessions in a park-like setting. Although the private recreational facilities within the City are somewhat limited, the surrounding Metropolitan Area has numerous opportunities for indoor and outdoor recreation, including golf courses, bowling alleys, go-carting and health and fitness clubs.

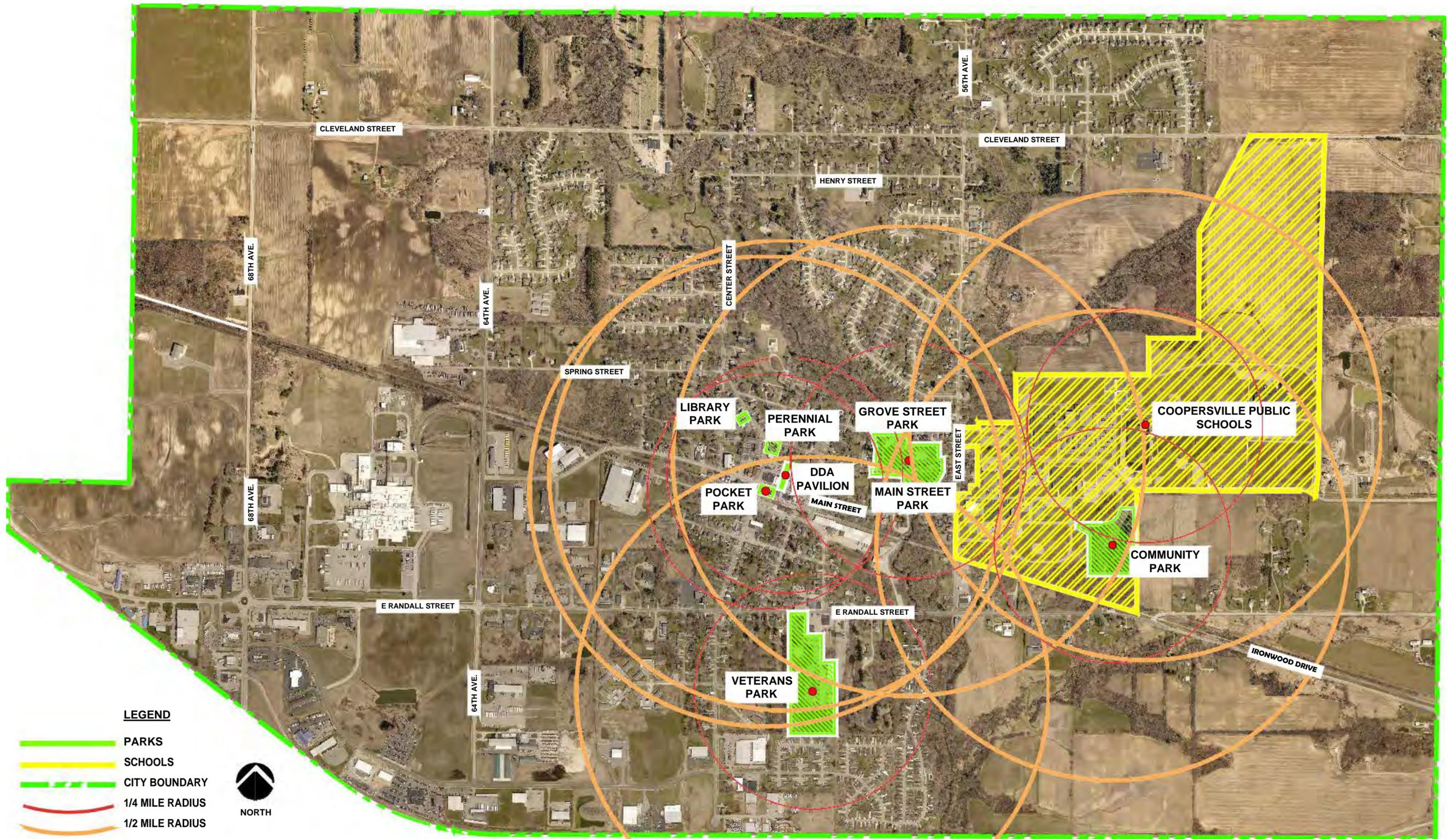
REGIONAL FACILITIES

The location of Coopersville means that its population has easy access to recreational facilities offered by the City of Grand Rapids, neighboring Townships and Kent County. Notable facilities of a regional nature include the Kent Trail System, White Pine Trail and Millennium Park, a 1,500 acre multi-purpose County Park.

There are also a number of State Parks within easy reach of Coopersville residents, with those along the shore of Lake Michigan at Holland, Saugatuck and Grand Haven being the most popular.

RECREATION GRANT INVENTORY

The City of Coopersville has not received any Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant to date.



EXISTING RECREATION FACILITIES
CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN



CITY OF COOPERSVILLE 2025 RECREATION FACILITIES

	Active Recreation											Amenities						Trails/ Natural			Other		
	ACRES	Playground	Baseball Fields	Softball Fields	Soccer	Football	Volleyball	Basketball	Disc Golf	Lacross Field	Mixed Use Field	Open Play Field	Parking	Restroom	Concession Building	Picnic Shelter	Picnic Tables	Benches / Bleachers	Grills	Natural Area		Natural Trail	Paved Walking/ Multi-Purpose Trail
CITY PARKS																							Along Deer Creek
Main Street Park – 95 Main Street	8.8							1			1	16				4		2	X				Undeveloped Open Space
DDA Pavilion - 301 Main Street	0.2												2		1	12							Shared Restrooms with the Walk Through
Pocket Park Pavilion - 320 Main Street	0.1											Y			1	1	5						Splash Pad Water Feature
Veterans Park - 254 W. Randall Street	12.2	1	2L	1	1		1				1	163	2	1	1	17	2		X				Undeveloped Open Space
Community Park - 198 East Street	9.0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		X	X			Coopersville Area Public Schools
Grove Street Park - 94 Grove Street	8.8			1								58	2	1		1	2						Along Deer Creek
Library Park - 353 Ottawa Street	0.08	1										Y				2	1						Library Parking
Perennial Park - 294 Ottawa Street	0.19																2						Roadside Parking
PUBLIC SCHOOLS																							
West Early Childhood Center	46.6	1									1	2			1	1	9					X	Sidewalks connecting to schools
East Elementary	46.6	1									1	3			1	1	9		X			X	Sidewalks connecting to schools
South Elementary	46.6	1		1			2	1			1	2			1	1	7					X	Sidewalks connecting to schools
Middle School	46.6		2	2	5		1			4		3				6	5					X	Sidewalks connecting to schools
High School	46.6		2	2	5	1	1	1	4		1	3	2	2			2					X	Sidewalks connecting to schools
Total	272.2	4	4	7	11	1	1	5	19	0	5	6	17	4	4	6	43	39	2	3			5

SECTION 5

PLANNING AND PUBLIC
INPUT PROCESS



COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 5

PLANNING AND PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

RECREATION PLANNING

Recreation planning plays an important role in maintaining the quality of life in a community. If a community is to provide effective recreational opportunities, it needs a way of identifying and solving current problems and anticipating future needs. Recreation planning is one means of obtaining a perspective on these problems; developing realistic alternatives; formulating goals, policies, and recommendations for public and private decisions; developing criteria to measure change; and involving people in the planning, design and decision processes.

This Parks and Recreation Plan utilizes a significant amount of public input that was gathered during the 2020 Parks and Recreation Plan through public work sessions, public hearings, and a public survey. This comprehensive plan presented a full evaluation of the City's recreational needs and opportunities. It considered the existing amenities in the City and anticipated demand for additional or improved facilities, and the means for providing those facilities. This plan was updated to reflect all improvements through 2025.

This plan is to continue serving as a guideline for directing the City in the operation and maintenance of existing and future facilities and programs to meet the recreational needs of its citizen's. The plan summarizes long-term recommendations intended to guide the development of recreation opportunities and describes an action and capital improvement program for implementation over the next five years.



PLAN PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT

This updated 2025 Community Park and Recreation Plan utilized the 2020 survey results that were collected by MCSA Group, Inc, a park and recreation planning consultant. Also, a new community survey was conducted. Both survey results were used as a basis to meet the future goals. Many of these goals continue to be refined and expanded as new opportunities arise, while keeping the City’s original vision at the center.

Criteria considered and evaluated for plan development evolved from the examination of goals and recreation standards determined through a wide variety of input sources. This information was collected from the inventory and review of existing facilities; the identification of recreation needs and deficiencies; public opinion; current statewide recreation issues and priorities; and future expectations.

Input was sought throughout the process by means of a public survey, a series of open Public City Council Meetings and the Recreation Advisory Board to solicit public desires and concerns regarding parks and recreation. The meetings were held in conjunction with the regularly scheduled meetings. They were advertised via Email, on the City’s website, social media and in the local media. The meeting schedule was as follows. A summary of the comments and discussion items can be found in the appendices of this report.

In 2020 and 2025/2026, the City undertook a survey of City residents. The survey was available on the internet, as well as printed copies at the Recreation Department, Library and City Hall. A total of 202 surveys were completed in 2020 and 62 surveys were completed in 2025/26. A copy of both surveys and a summary of the results are included at the end of this section. These results continue to be used to improve the City’s Parks and Recreation.

The surveys were well received and indicated a high level of satisfaction with the City’s Park and Recreation system. The most popular activities identified were walking, playgrounds, and picnic facilities. It is also noteworthy that Veteran’s and Community Park are well used.

The 2025 updated Community Park and Recreation Plan also consisted of a series of open regularly scheduled Public Meetings.





PLAN PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT CONTINUED

The final plan was presented during a public hearing to the City Council on December 8, 2025. A second public hearing period was held on March 9, 2026, presenting an updated plan with new survey results. The Resolution to formally adopt this plan can be found in Section 9.

2025 Planning and Public Input Process

PARKS AND RECREATION REVIEW:	October
PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL	October 13, 2025
PUBLIC REVIEW AVAILABLE:	October 13, 2025
<i>Draft of Final Plan was available for 30-day Public Review as required by the DNR</i>	
UPDATED PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL:	November 10, 2025
PUBLIC HEARING: Public Hearing & Adoption of Plan by City Council	December 8, 2025
PLAN COMPLETION AND DNR SUBMITTAL:	December 8, 2025

Additional Actions:

UPDATED PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL:	FEBRUARY 9, 2026
PUBLIC HEARING: Public Hearing & Adoption of Plan by City Council	MARCH 9, 2026
PLAN COMPLETION AND DNR RE-SUBMITTAL:	MARCH 9, 2026





PLANNING AND PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION SUMMARY AND SURVEY RESULTS

The City of Coopersville recently conducted a Community Parks and Recreation Survey that was open to the public for 31 days and received 62 total responses, including 52 from City residents. Results confirm that parks and recreation are an essential part of community life, supporting healthy lifestyles, outdoor activity, and opportunities for social connection for residents of all ages. Many respondents indicated that parks play a key role in physical health, mental well-being, family time, and overall quality of life.

Survey responses show that the Pocket Park, Community Park, Veteran’s Park, and Walk Through Park are the most frequently visited parks within the last 12 months, and overall satisfaction with the City’s parks is high. Park maintenance received an average rating of 4 out of 5 stars, reflecting positive perceptions of upkeep.

Residents expressed strong interest in expanding walking trails, natural areas, and green spaces. Participation in community special events, senior programs, and youth sports remains high, though many respondents noted they are not always aware of available programs and activities, indicating a need for improved communication.

Overall, survey results suggest the City should prioritize maintaining and improving existing parks and facilities while continuing to pursue grant funding and private donations. Additionally, respondents indicated that consideration of a dedicated Parks and Recreation millage could be a viable option to help support long-term funding for parks and recreation services.

City of Coopersville Parks and Recreation Survey 2025

The City of Coopersville is working to update the 5 year Parks and Recreation Plan. This plan is used to apply for grants with the Michigan DNR as well as gives the City background on what the residents of the community would like to see here.

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Not shared

* Indicates required question

Do you live in the City of Coopersville, if not where are you located? *

- Yes
- Other:

How many people are currently living in your household?

- 1
- 2-3
- 4-5
- 6-7
- 8 or more



What are the ages of people in your household?

- Less than 6
- 6-17
- 18-24
- 25-44
- 45-59
- 60 and older

Which of the City's Parks has you or someone in your household visited in the last 12 months?

- Community Park - (Pond on School Property)
- DDA North Pavilion
- Grove Street Park
- Library Park
- Main Street Park
- Perennial Park
- Pocket Park & Splash Pad
- Veteran's Park
- Walk Through Park Downtown
- Other:



Check any of the parks or facilities you or members of your family have utilized in the last 12 months:

- Kent County Parks and Trails
- Muskegon County Parks
- Ottawa County Parks
- Snap Fitenss
- State Parks
- YMCA
- North Bank Trail
- Spoonville Trail
- Other:



Please rank the facilities you would like to see improved or expanded: 1 being high
- 5 being low

	1	2	3	4	5
Community Park and Trail	<input type="checkbox"/>				
DDA North Pavilion	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Grove Street Park	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Veteran's Park	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Main Street Park	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Perennial Park	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Library Park	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Pocket Park and Splash Pad	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Walk Through Park Downtown	<input type="checkbox"/>				



What additional types of new parks and facilities would you most like to see in the city?

- Dog Park
- Inclusive Facility
- More Walking Trails
- Natural Areas
- Neighborhood Parks
- Sports Complexes
- None - we have enough
- Other:



Which of the following activities would you most like to see expanded or added in the City of Coopersville?

- Baseball and Softball
- Basketball Courts
- Benches and Seating areas
- Cross Country skiing
- Disc Golf Course
- Football Fields
- Ice Skating (Outdoors)
- Natural Areas / Open Green Space
- Nature/ Butterfly Garden
- Non-Motorized Trails
- Pickleball Courts
- Picnic Facilities
- Playgrounds
- Shade Shelter in Parks
- Skateboard Area
- Soccer Fields
- Tennis Courts
- Walking Trails
- Water Features
- Workout Stations
- Other:



In what recreation programming offered by the City of Coopersville have you or your family participated in the last year?

- Adult
- Senior Center
- Special Events
- Youth
- None
- Other:

If you answered none to the question above, please indicate your reason for not participating:

- Fees
- Lack of Child Care
- Location
- Not Aware of Programs
- Not enough time
- Not interested
- Prefer Competitive
- Registration is Difficult
- Time
- Transportation
- Used Other Rec Programs
- Other:



How would you rate maintenance of City parks?

1	2	3	4	5
☆	☆	☆	☆	☆

What green initiatives do you think would be most effective?

- Energy Saving Techniques
- Increase Native Trees
- Increase Wildflowers
- Promote Non-Motorized
- Rain Garden
- Reduce Mowing / Irrigation
- Use recycled products
- Other:



Please rate, in order of priority, how you feel park and recreation funding should be spent? 1=highest 5 = lowest

	1	2	3	4	5
Develop Currently Owned Property	<input type="radio"/>				
Expand Trails	<input type="radio"/>				
Maintain Existing Parks	<input type="radio"/>				
Purchase Land for new parks	<input type="radio"/>				
Upgrade and/or improve existing facilities	<input type="radio"/>				

The City will continue to solicit state and federal grand funding and private donations/fundraising for recreation facility development and improvements. What other funding options should be considered?

- Dedicated Park and Rec Mileage
- Increase Park User Fees
- Increase Programming Fees
- Other:



Check all organization you or members of your household have used for indoor or outdoor activities during the last 12 months.

- Churches
- Coopersville Parks
- County Parks
- State Parks
- National Parks
- Neighboring City Parks
- Private Clubs
- Private Youth Teams
- Public Schools
- YMCA
- Other:



Please indicate activities you and your household enjoy:

- Active Sports
- Attending Special Events
- Birding
- Dog Walking
- Fishing
- Mountain Biking
- Nature Trails
- Pickleball
- Picinicking
- Road Cycling
- Running/Jogging
- Senior Programming
- Tennis
- Visiting Parks
- Visiting Playgrounds
- Walking
- Other:



How important is it the City of Coopersville have the following? 1 = high 7=low

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Community Parks	<input type="radio"/>						
Indoor Recreation	<input type="radio"/>						
Sports Parks	<input type="radio"/>						
Green Space	<input type="radio"/>						
Gardens	<input type="radio"/>						
Undeveloped Land	<input type="radio"/>						
Trails	<input type="radio"/>						

Do you see a need for more programming for the following age groups? Check all that apply.

- Youth 2 to 8 years old
- Youth 9 - 12 years old
- Teens
- Young Adult
- Adults
- Seniors 60 and Older
- Other:



Please tell us anything else we may have missed in a question about Parks and Recreation within the City of Coopersville.

Your answer

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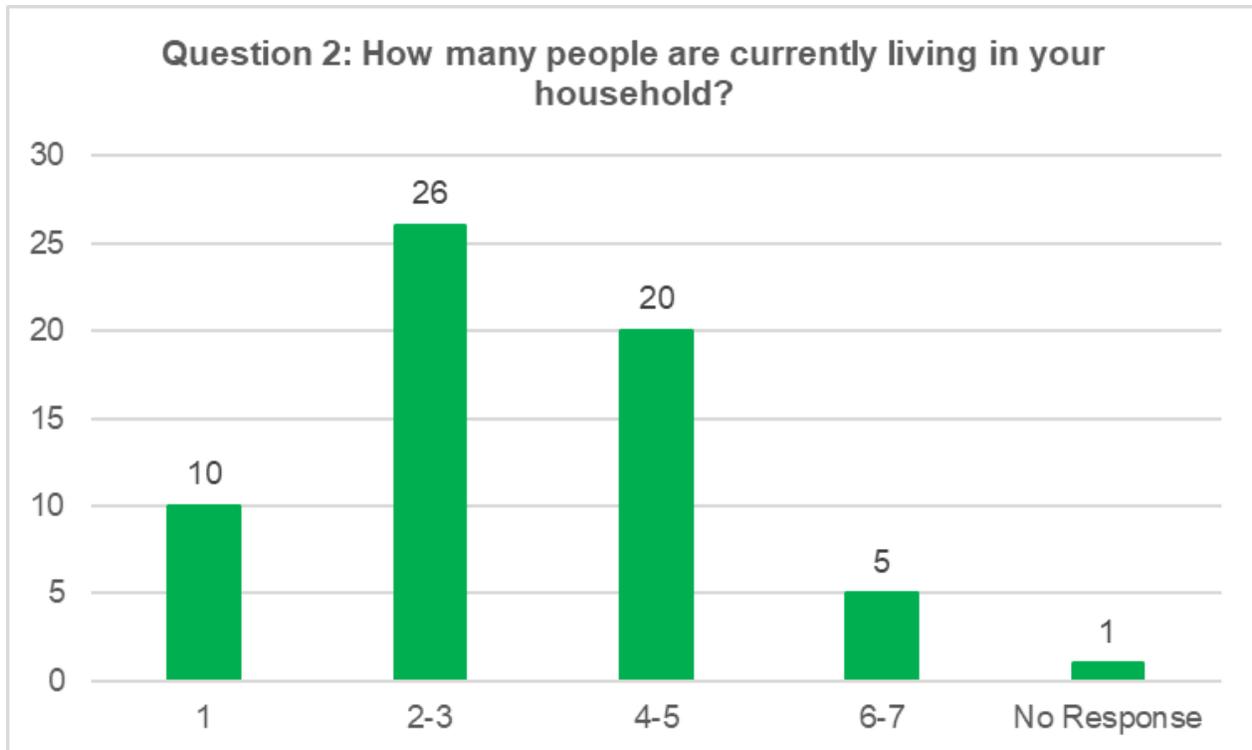
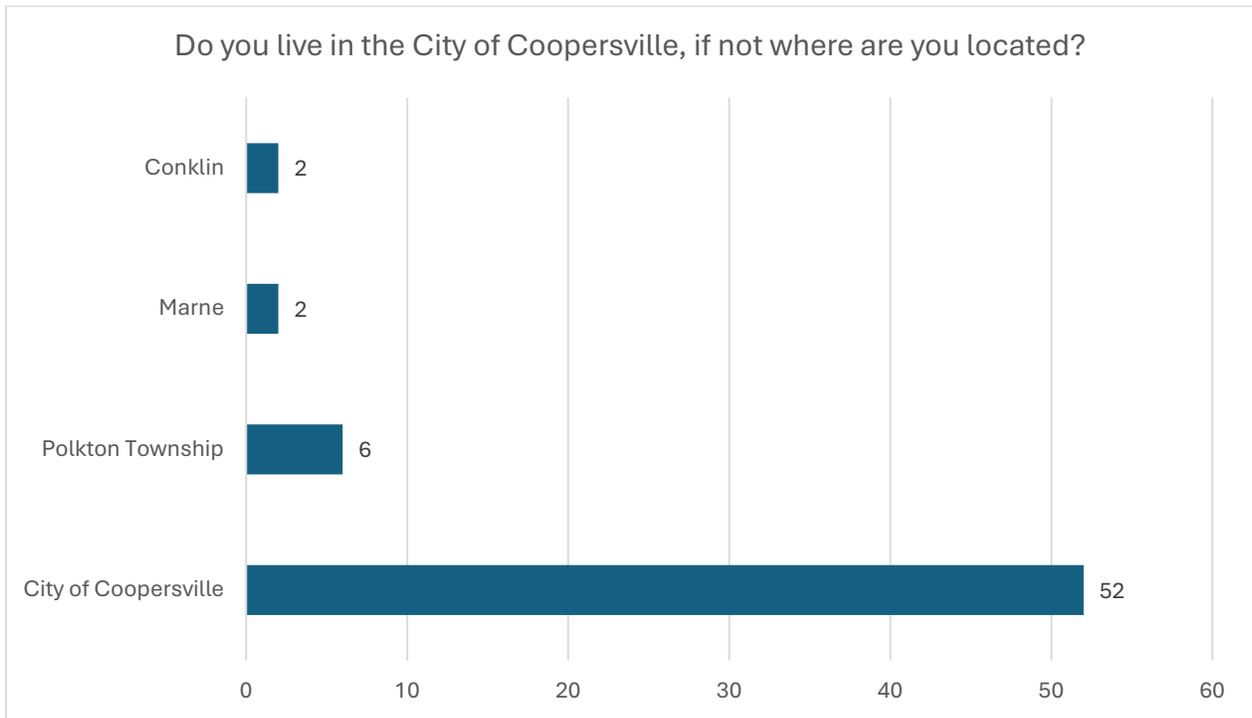
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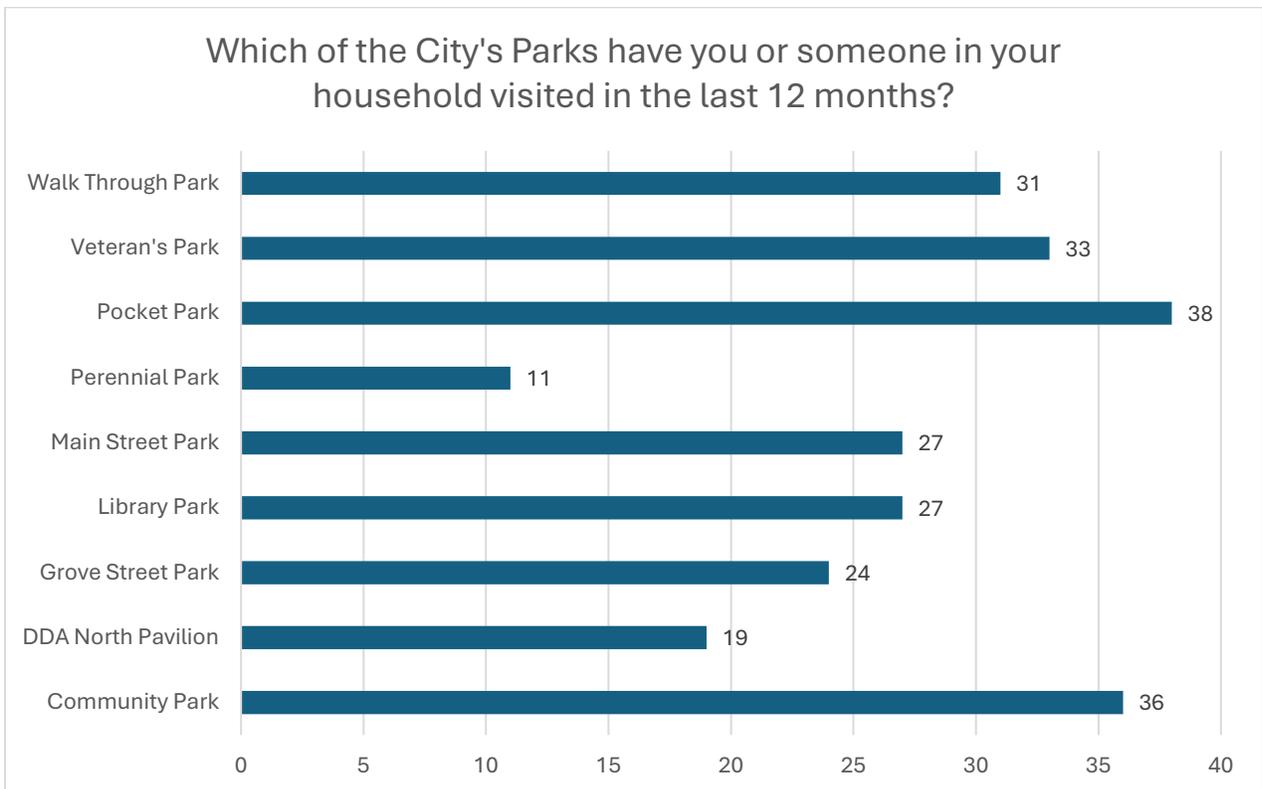
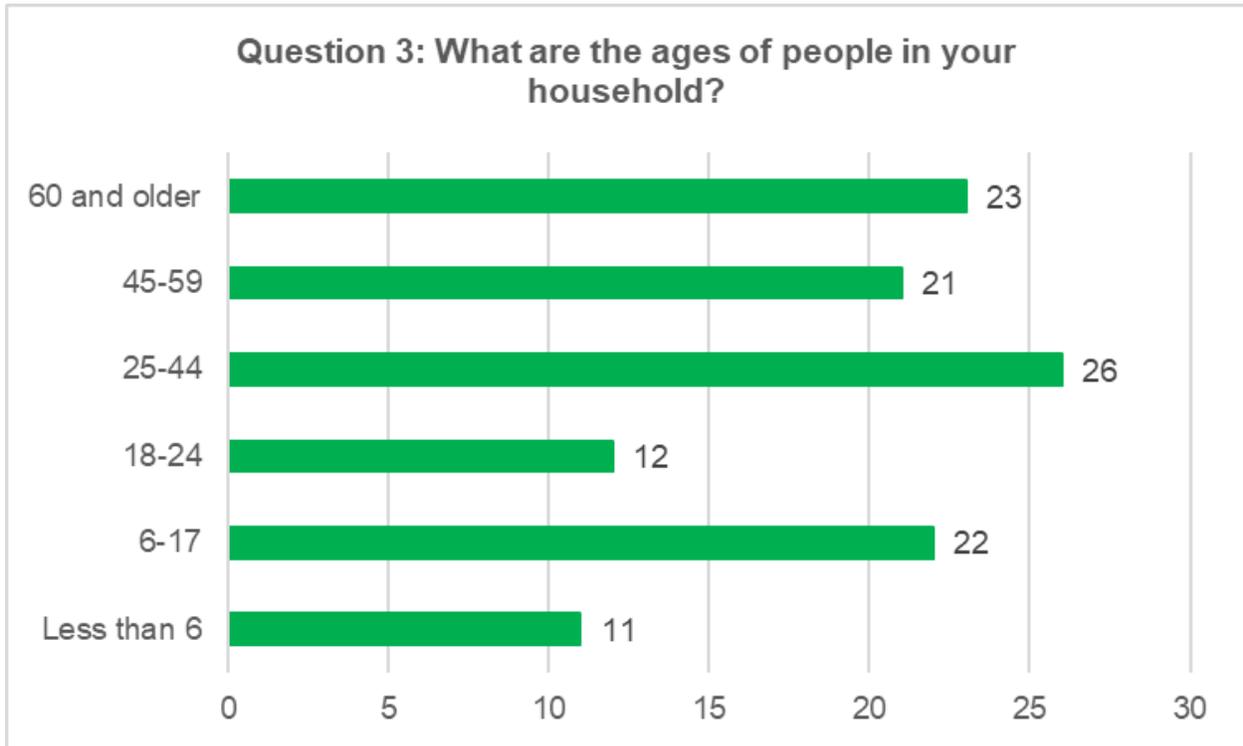




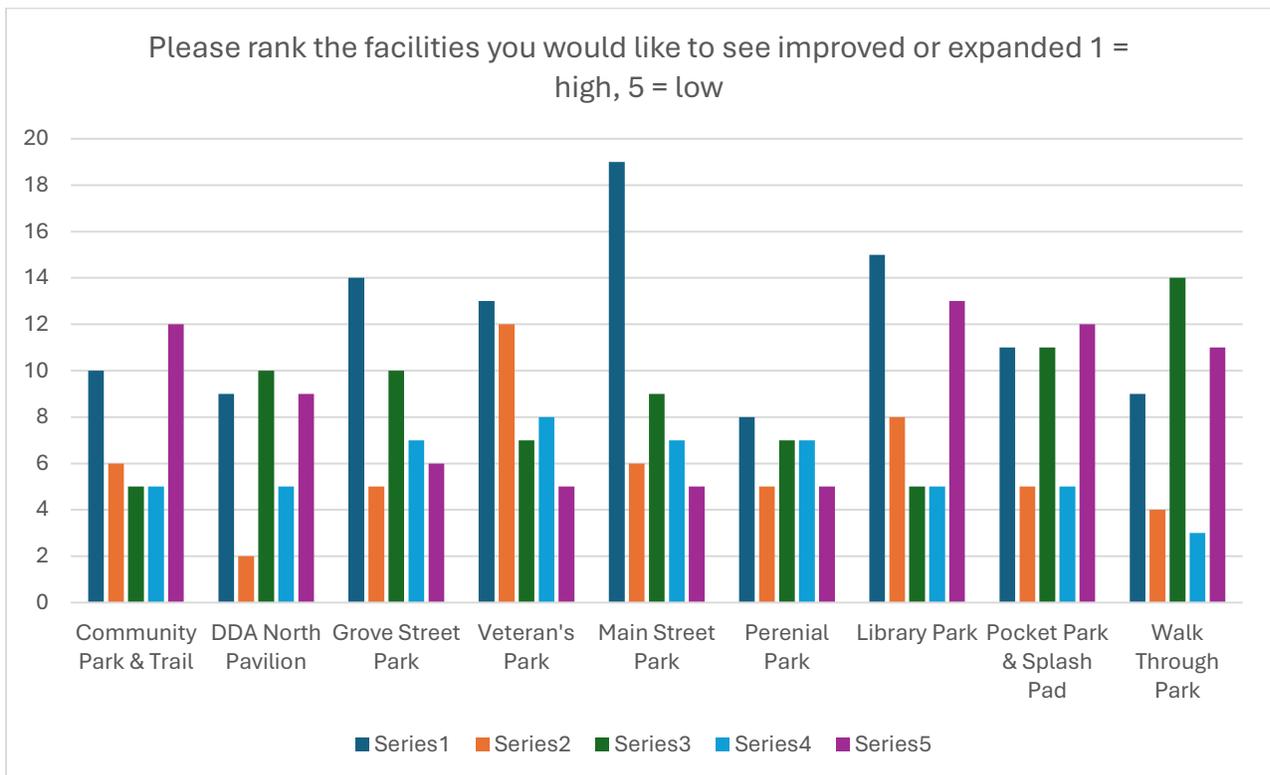
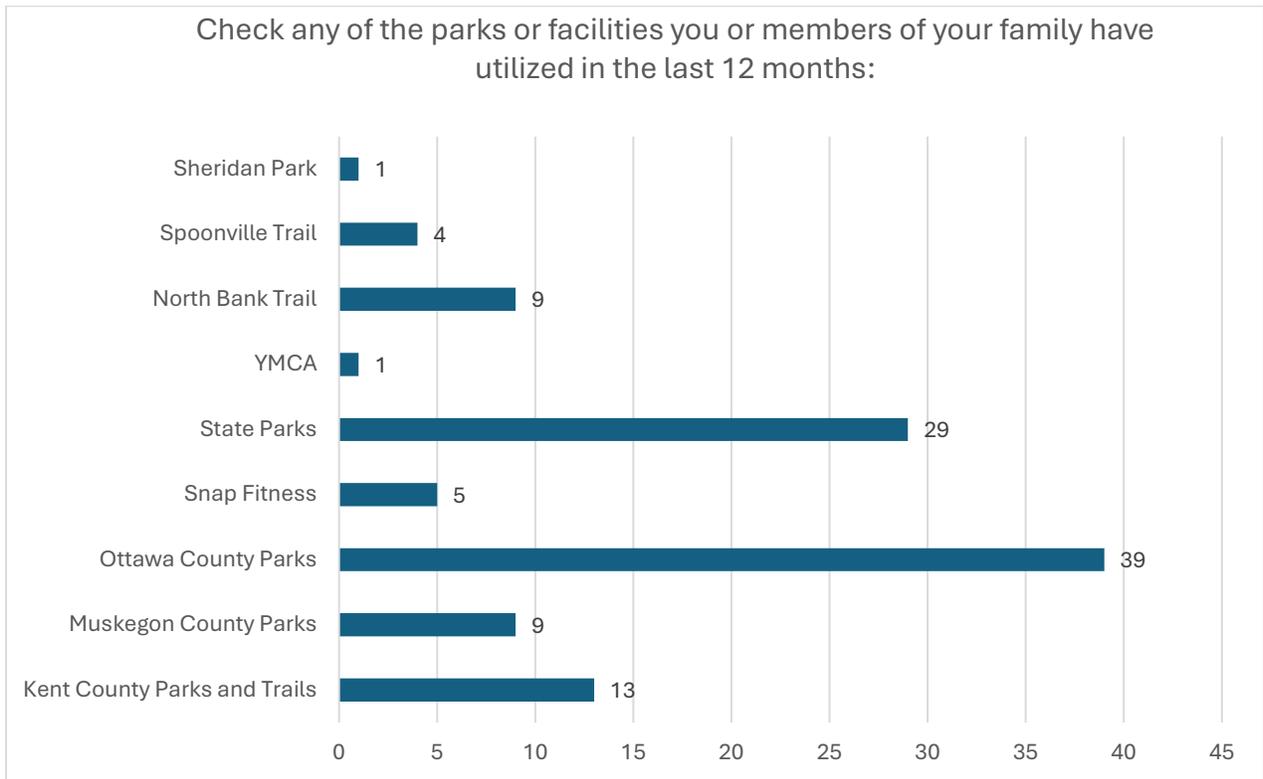
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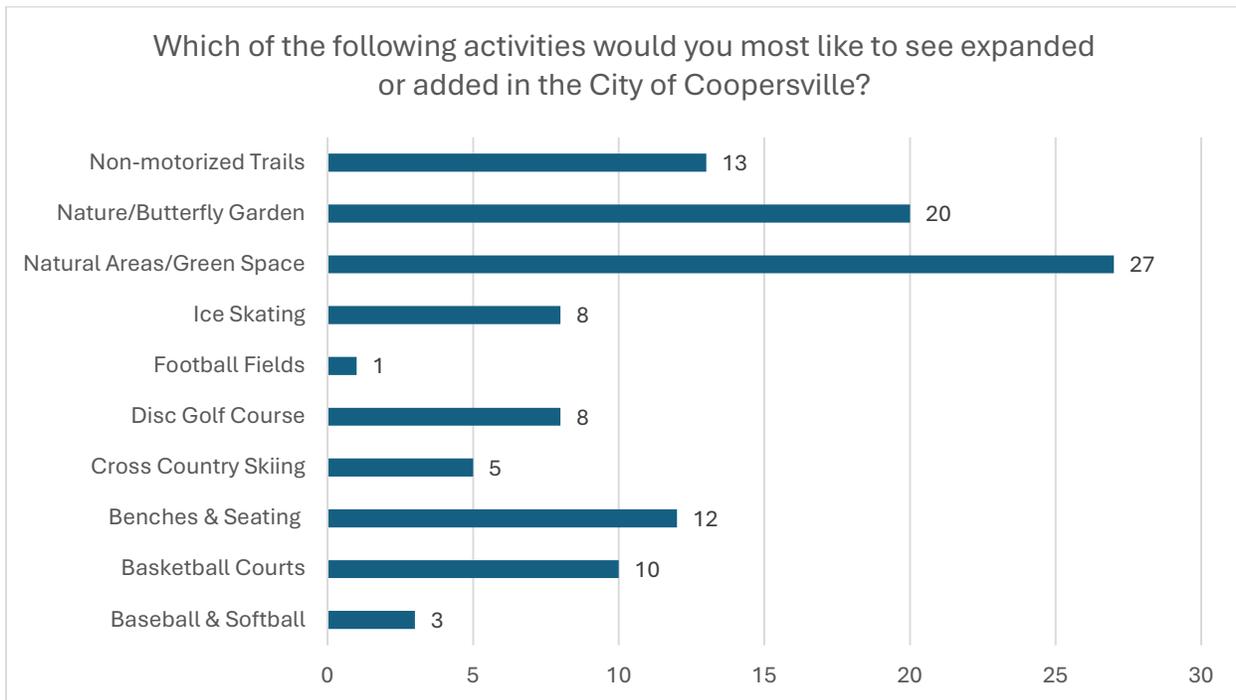
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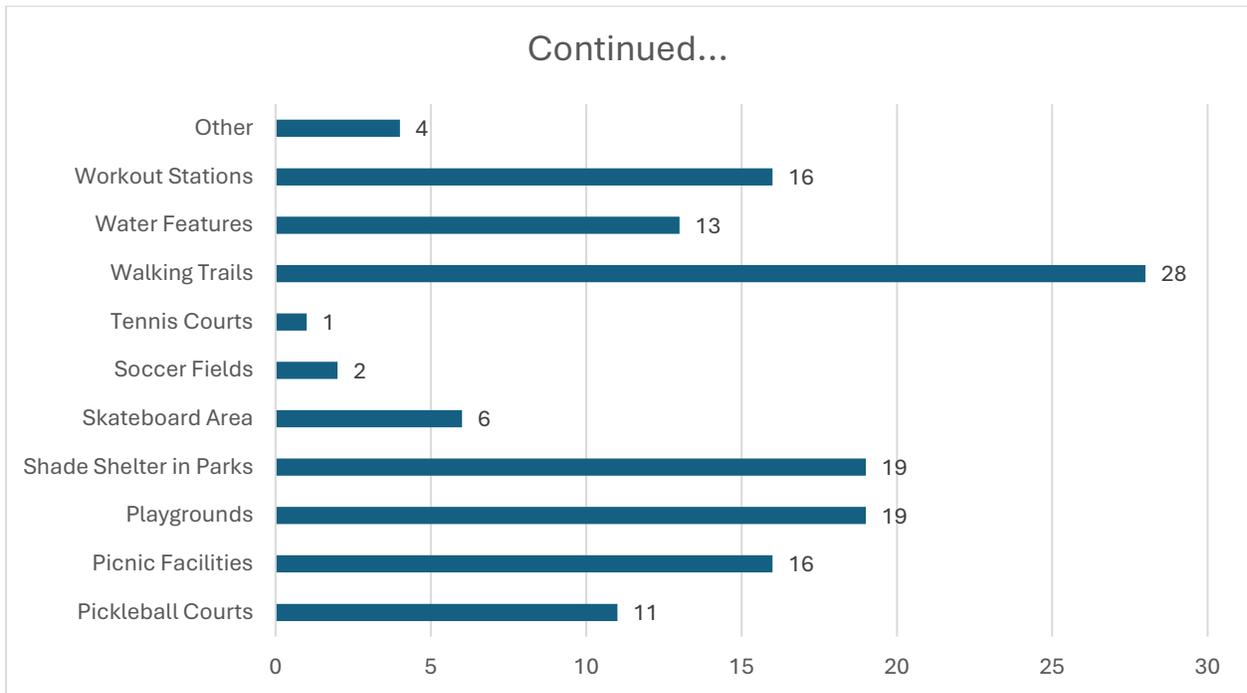
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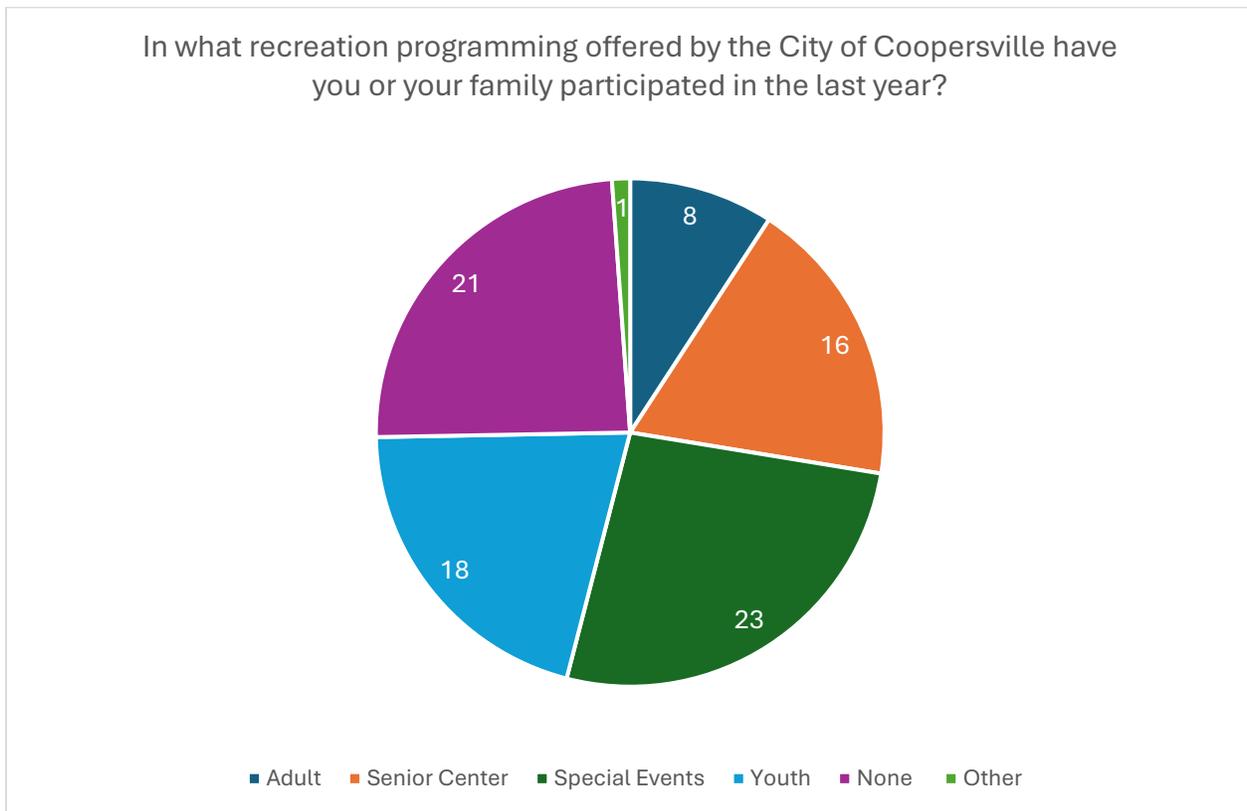
Other Includes: North Bank Trail and a new park off from John Street



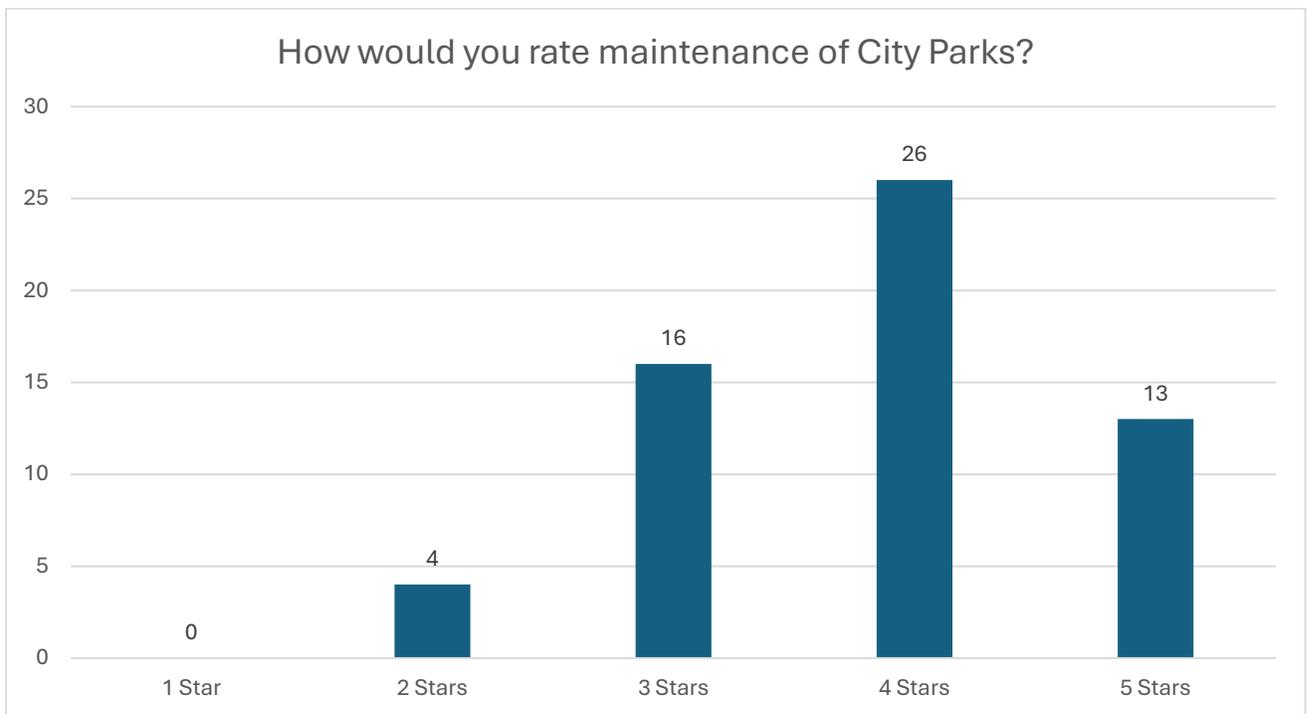
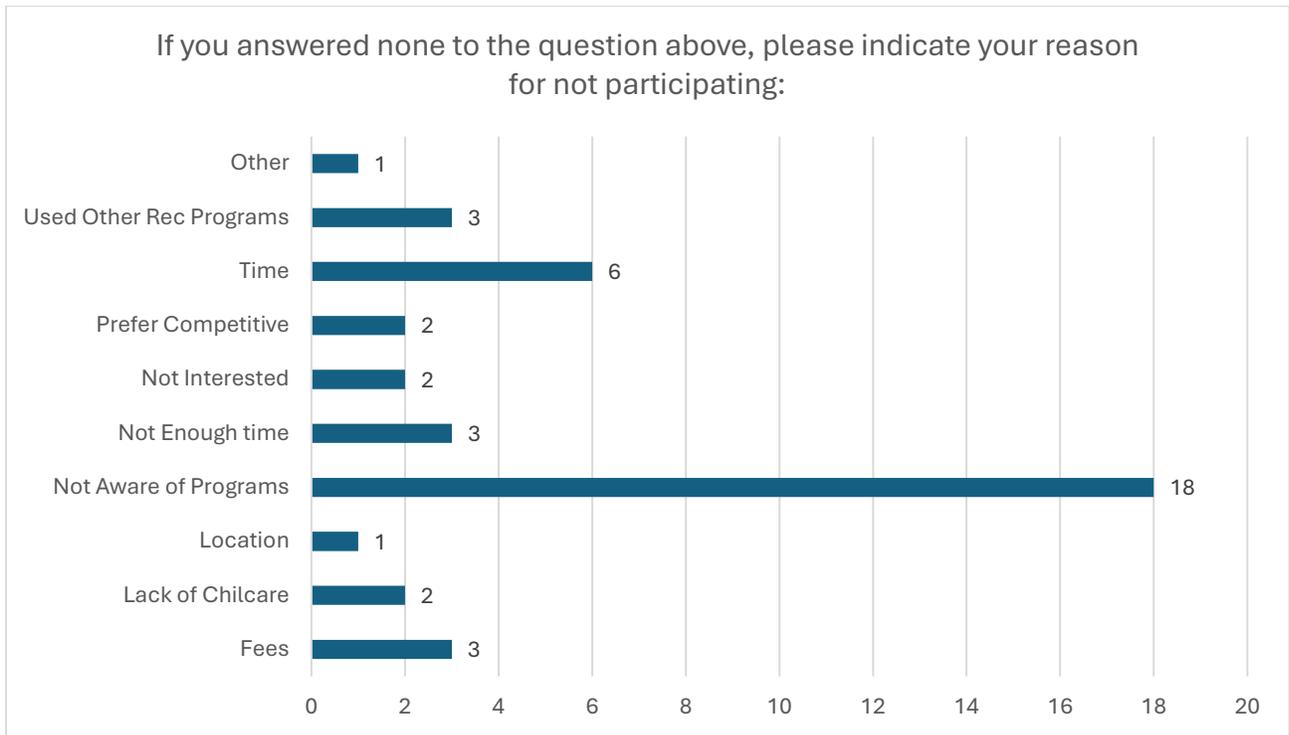
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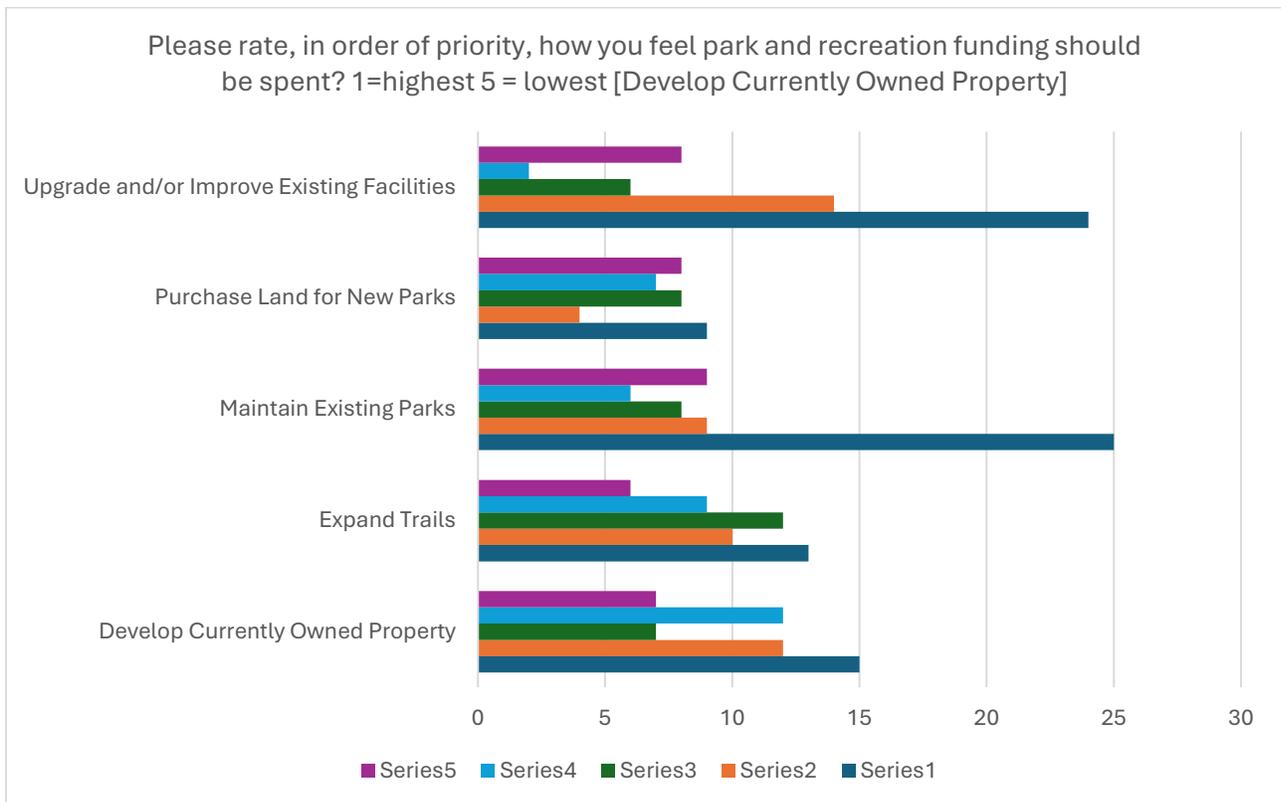
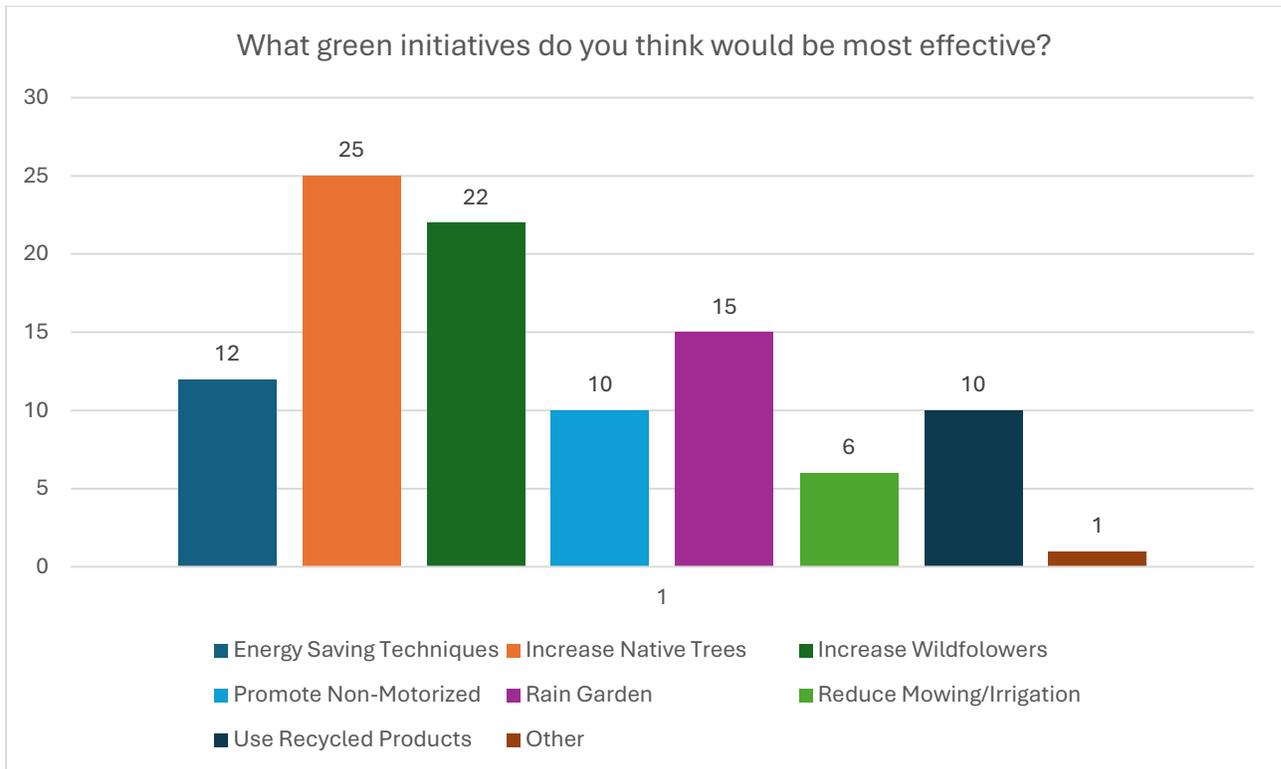
Other Includes: (1) Biking Trails, (1) Senior Recreation, (1) Public Restrooms, (1) Volleyball Courts



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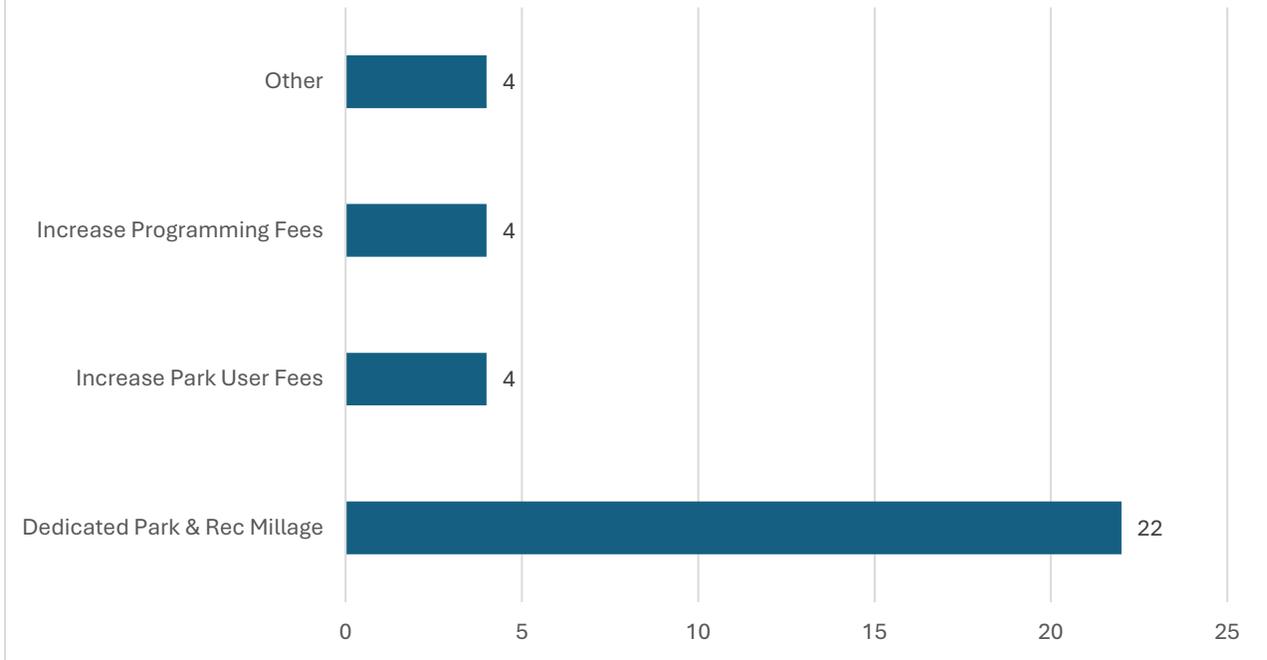


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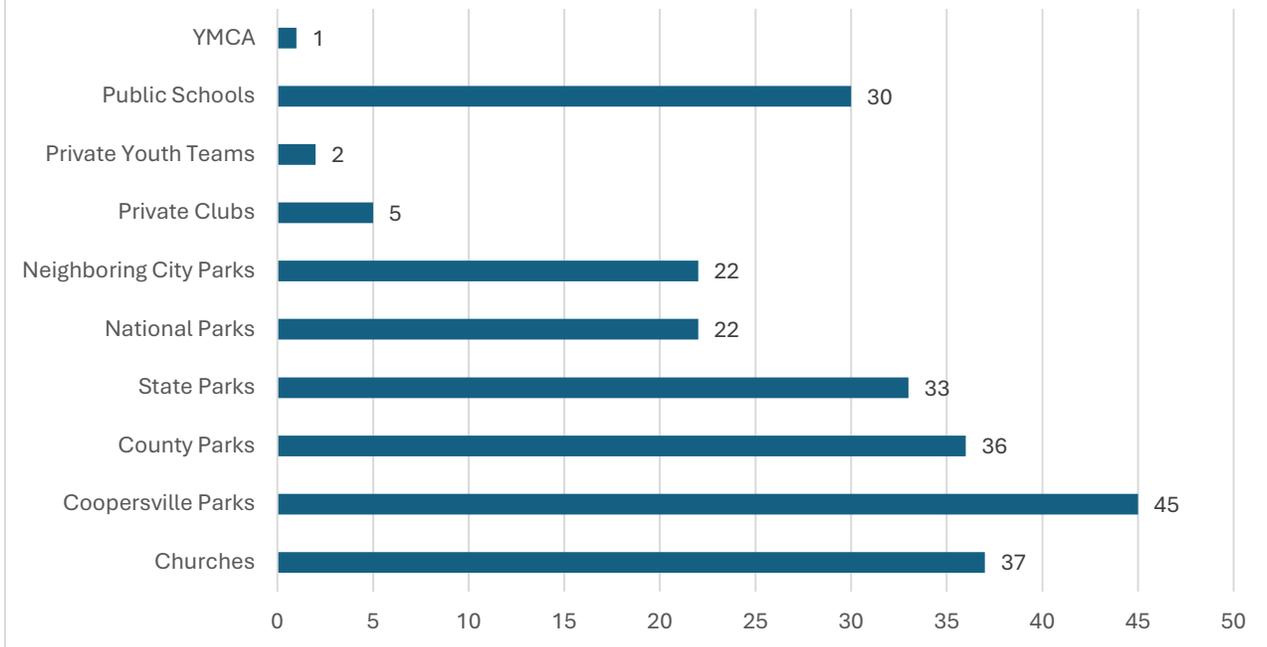


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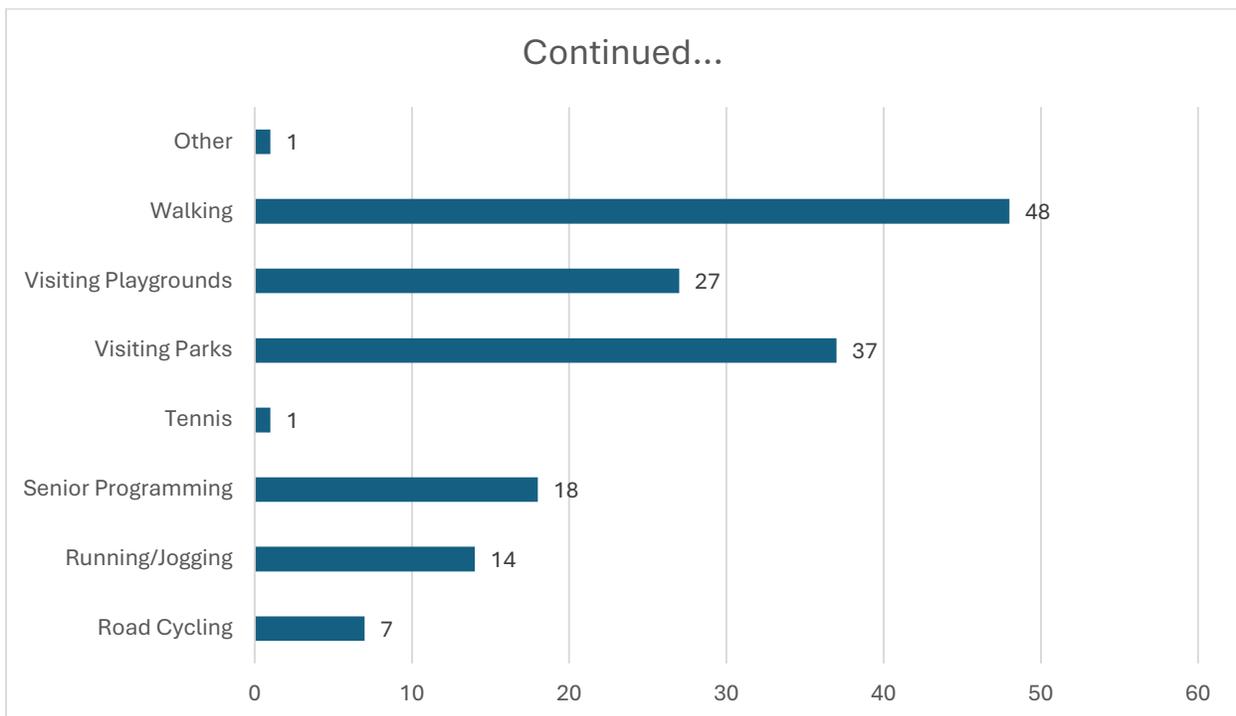
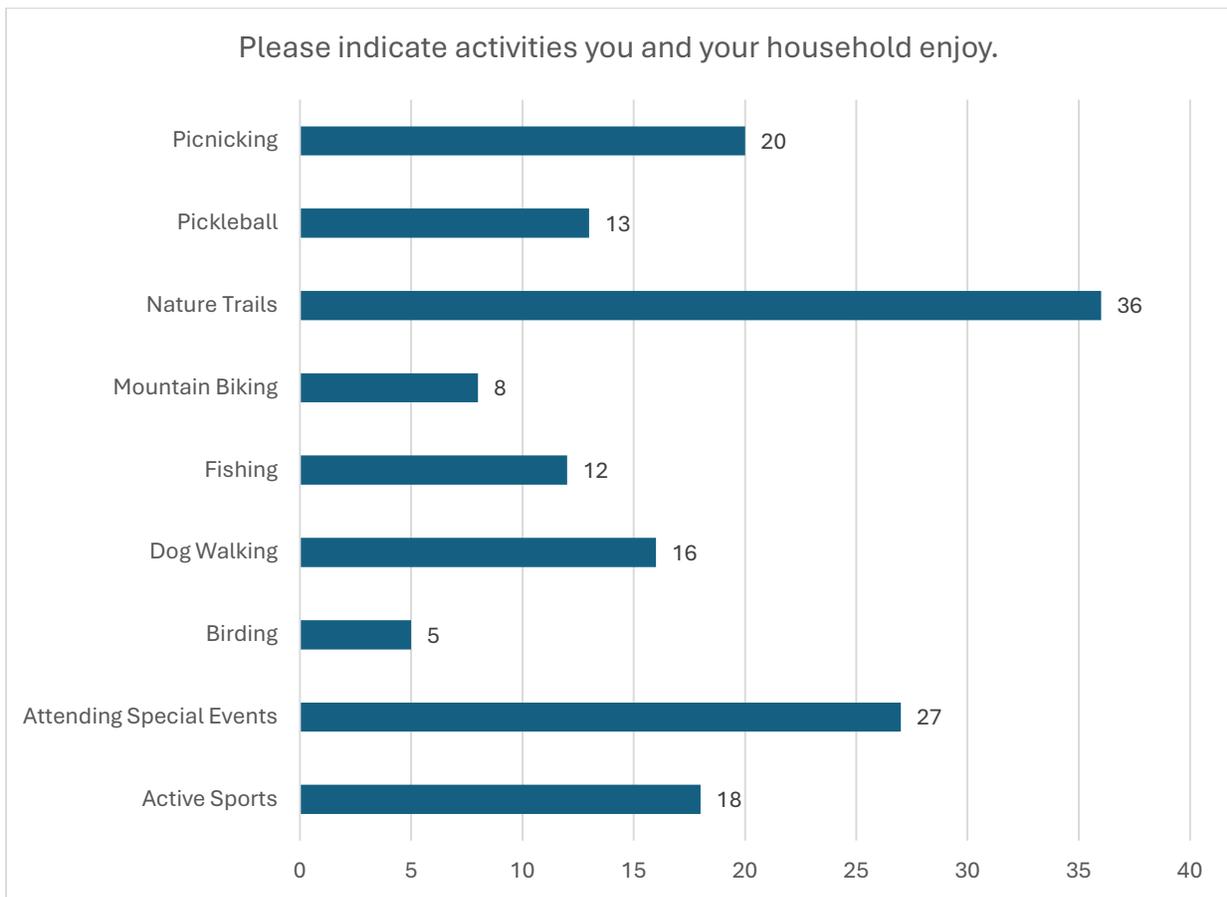
The City will continue to solicit state and federal grant funding and private donations/fundraising for recreation facility development and improvements. What other funding options should be considered?



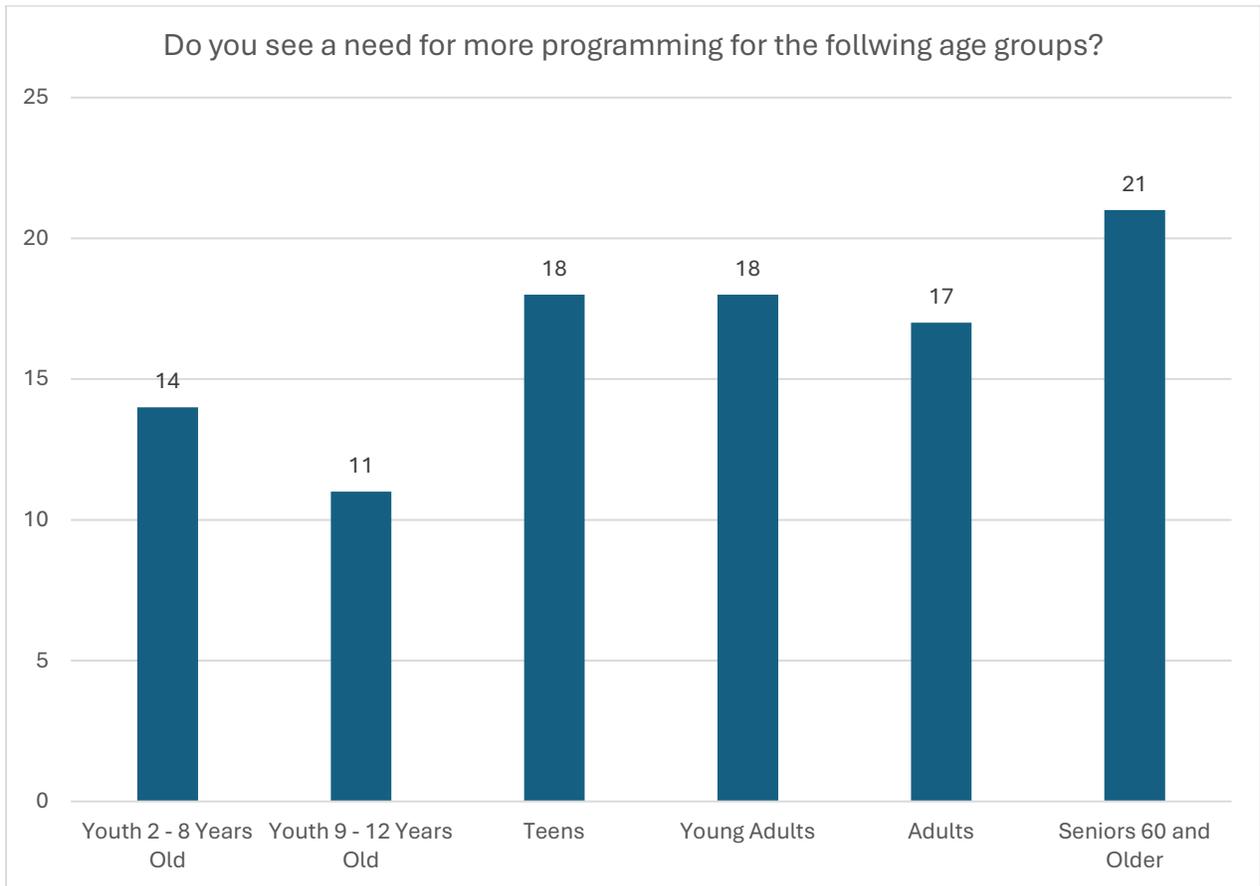
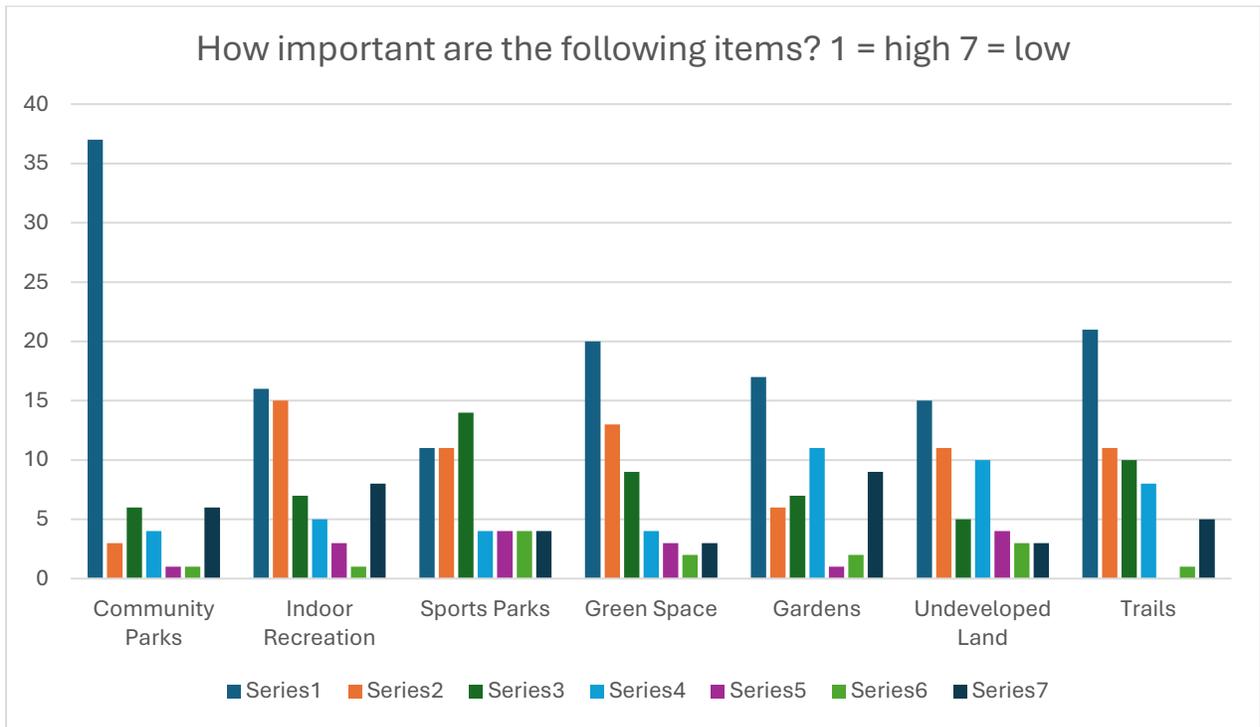
Check all organizations you or members of your household have used for indoor or outdoor activities during the last 12 months.



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Community Parks & Recreation Survey

Question 37: Please tell us anything else we may have missed in a question about Parks and Recreation within the City of Coopersville.

- Volunteerism opportunity for recreational events.
- Need a dedicated senior recreation budget to monitor planning and account for money spent. Promise to fund from general city budget is not a responsible way to manage funds. 561 John Street city property has plans to develop improved pathways to schools, designate the property as city park.
- Outdoor maintenance at the parks is typically good, but bathrooms usually are not very clean. And it'd be great to have clean, accessible bathrooms at all the parks.
- I would love more transparency. Council members showing up to public outings
- Have used and enjoyed them on foot since 2019. If I owned a vehicle I'd utilize many more. Love natural habitats and wildlife. Love Coopsville. ♡♡♡
- Enlarged water park
- More playground equipment at library park
- It would be nice if the city would invest more in those who take care of the current parks. We are a small town that has a wonderful ambiance, which is built by expertise that should be valued and remunerated.
- As residential developments are added, new public, city-owned neighborhood parks in those areas should be added too. They should include amenities like playgrounds, fields, picnic areas & shelters, etc.
- I would like more teen geared activities, an indoor space with air hockey, ping pong, fuseball. All of that would be nice, and an area with couches or something to talk. The library is often used, but it'd be nice to have an area for a bit more active things inside.
- It's hard to know what programs are offered, I would love to see more advertising for them!



Memorandum

TO: City of Coopersville

FROM: Brad Misner, AICP, Senior Principal Planner
Paige Brodeur, Assistant Planner

SUBJECT: Master Plan Survey Results Summary

DATE: June 30, 2025

Public input was sought throughout the process through a survey to solicit public desires and concerns regarding the Master Plan update. The survey was available on the internet via Survey Monkey starting in mid-March. A total of 451 surveys were completed. Comments from the survey are described below:

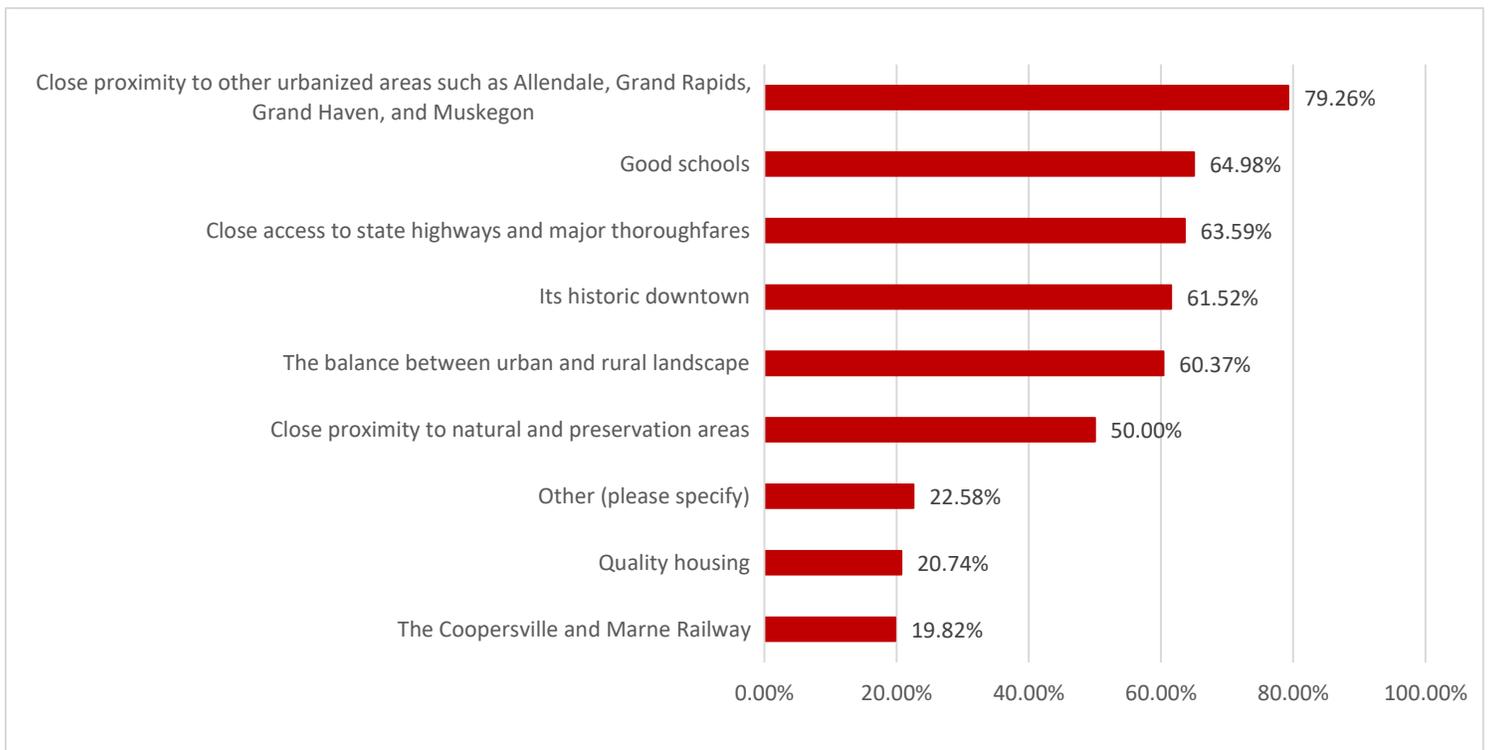
GENERAL

The survey found that 81% of respondents are residents of the City. 74% shop or dine in the City, 62% are property owners, and 45% attend an institution in the City. A majority of respondents have lived in the City for over 21 years. A large portion of participants are between the ages of 35 and 64.

LIKES, CHANGES, AND IMPROVEMENTS

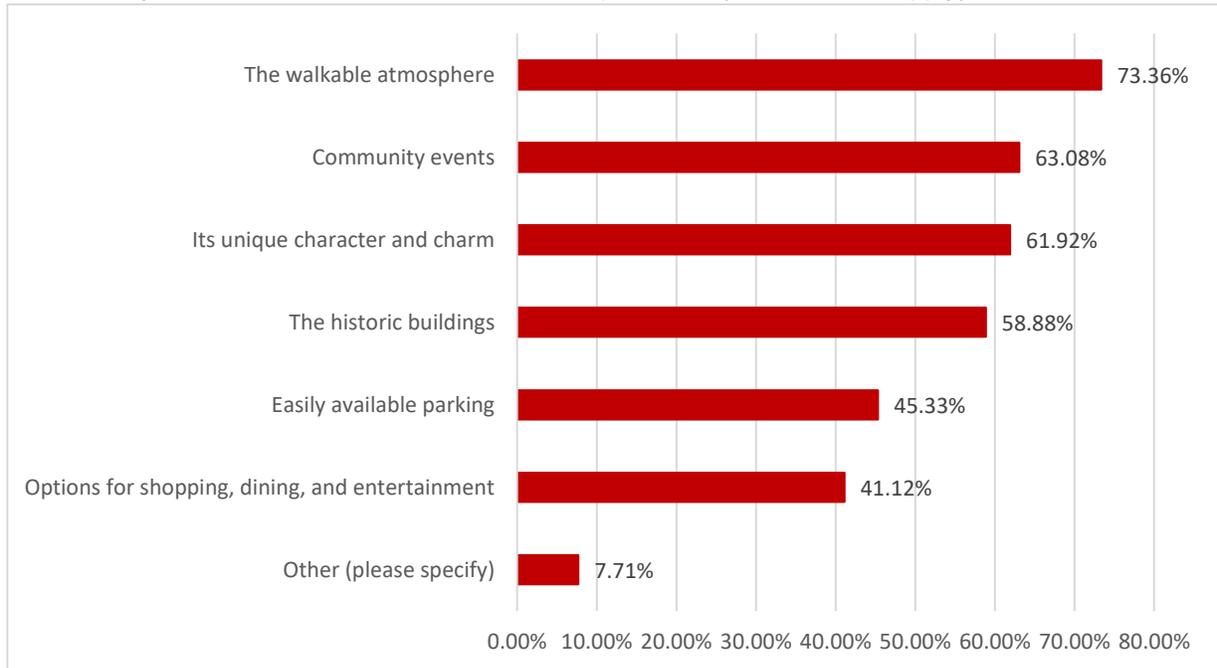
The first set of questions were in regards to what residents like about the City as well as what they would like to see change or improve.

- In general, what do you like about Coopersville? (Select all that apply)

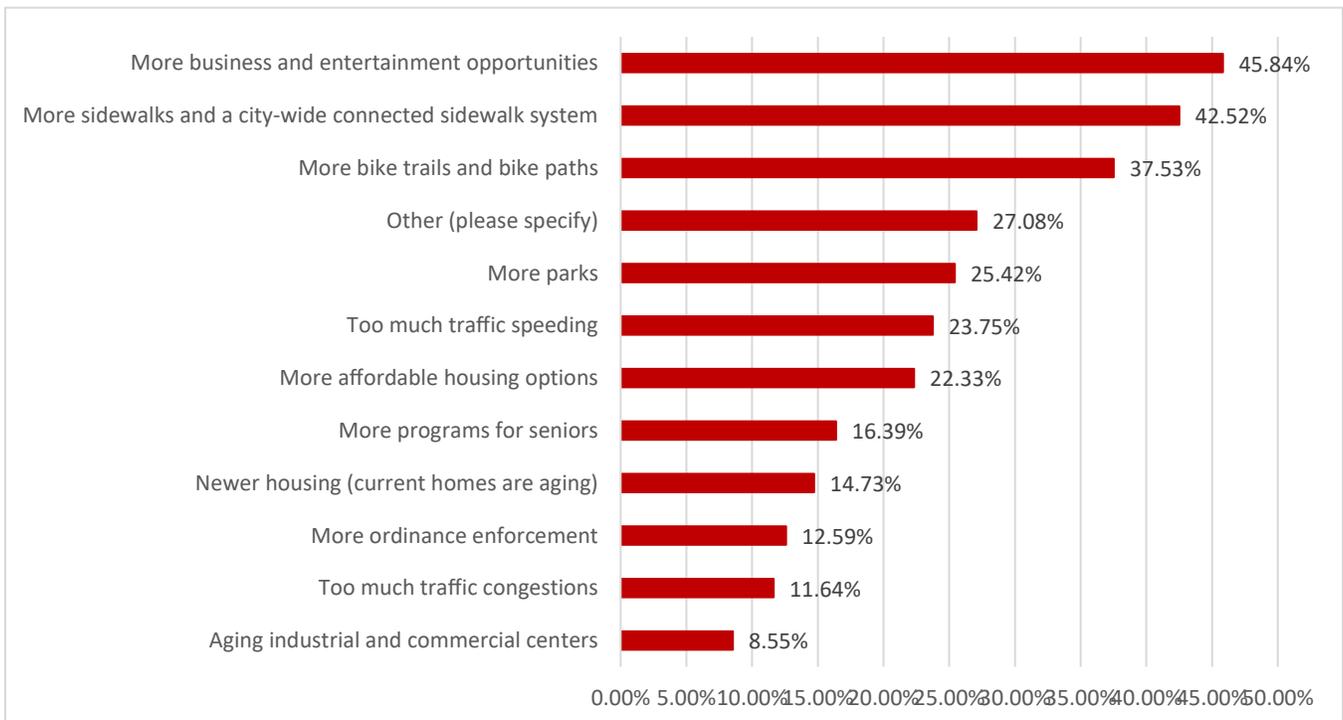




- What do you like the most about Downtown Coopersville? (Select all that apply)

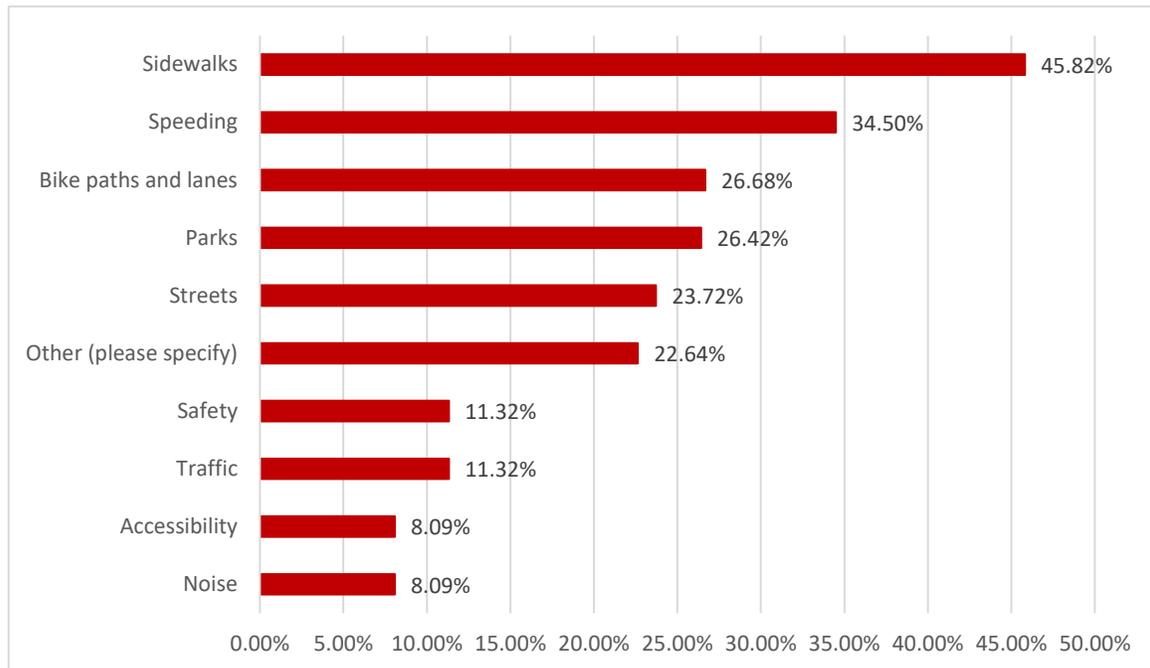


- In general, what do you think needs to change from its current condition in Coopersville? (Select all that apply)

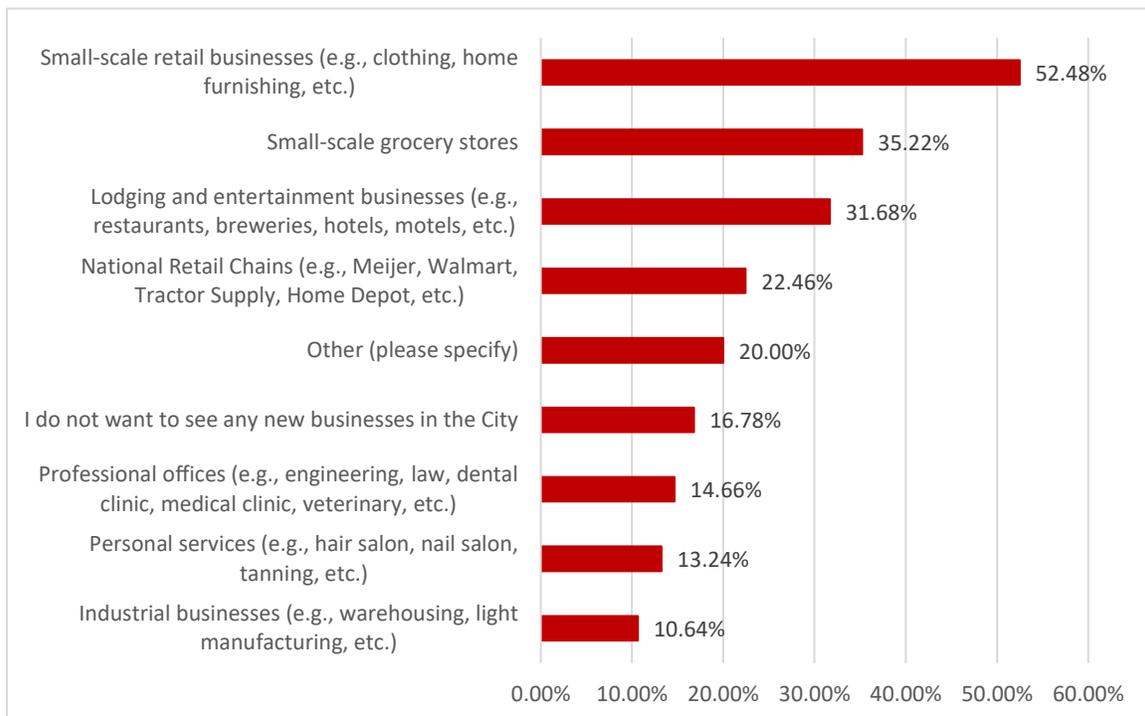




- What needs upgrading or improvement in your neighborhood? (Select all that apply)

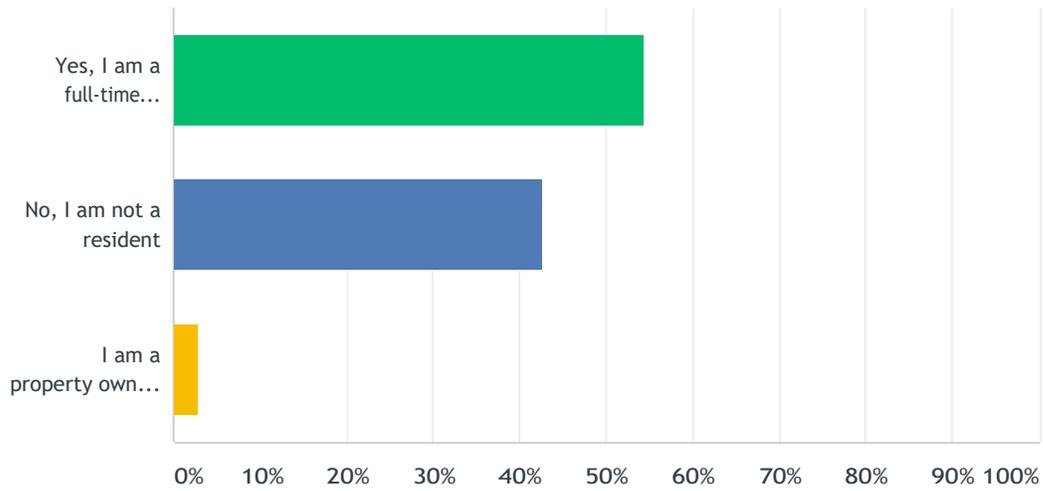


- What type(s) of new businesses would you like to see in the area?



Q1 Do you live in the City of Coopersville?

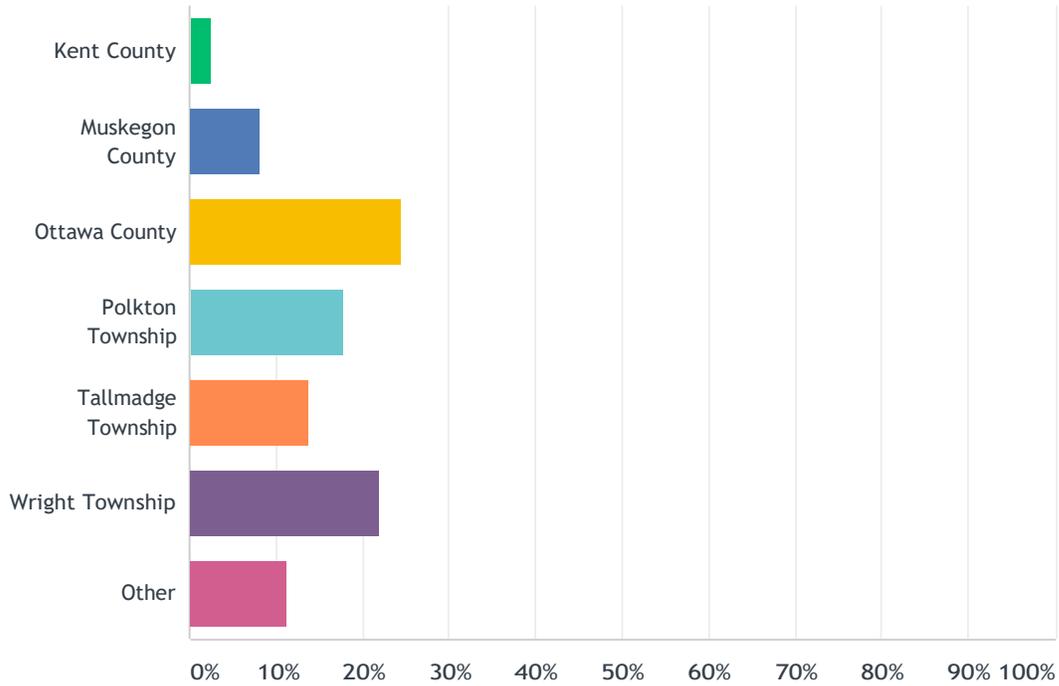
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, I am a full-time resident	54.46%	110
No, I am not a resident	42.57%	86
I am a property owner but do not reside here	2.97%	6
TOTAL		202

Q2 If you do not live in the City of Coopersville, where do you live?

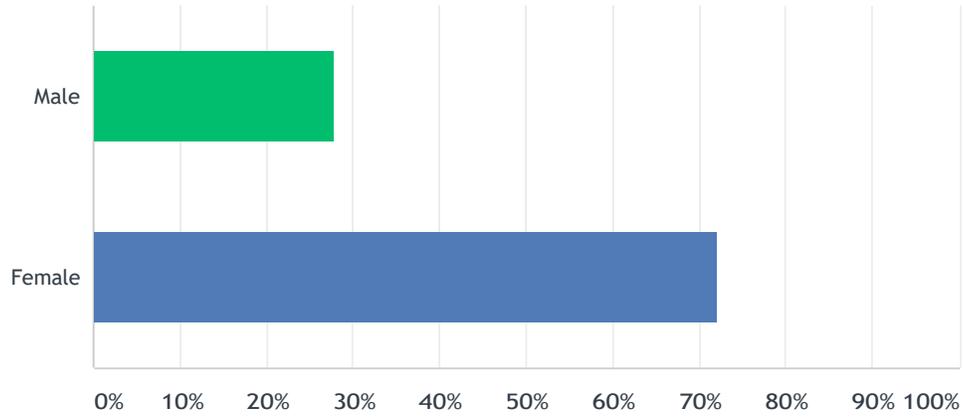
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Kent County	2.44%	3
Muskegon County	8.13%	10
Ottawa County	24.39%	30
Polkton Township	17.89%	22
Tallmadge Township	13.82%	17
Wright Township	21.95%	27
Other	11.38%	14
TOTAL		123

Q3 Are You:

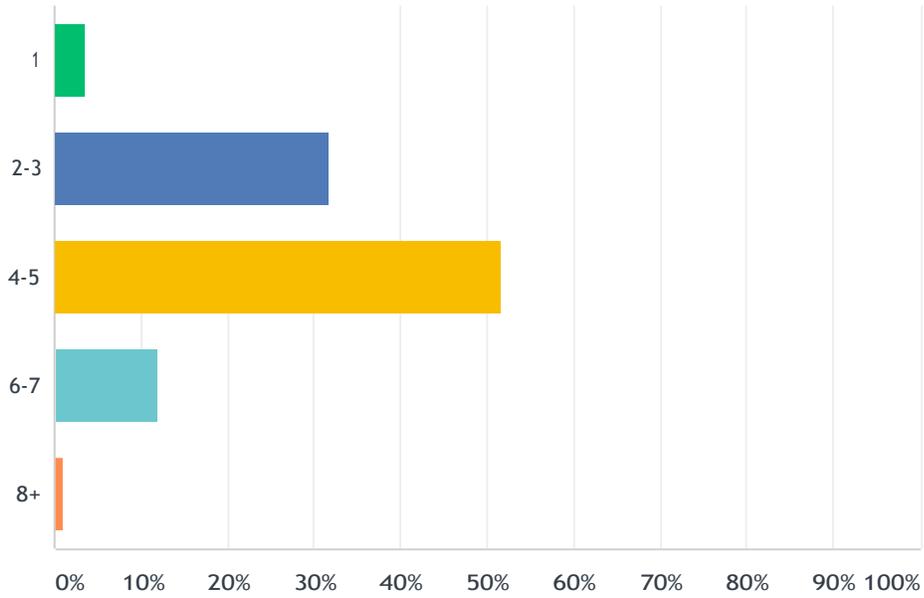
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Male	27.86% 56
Female	72.14% 145
Total Respondents: 201	

Q4 How many people currently live in your household?

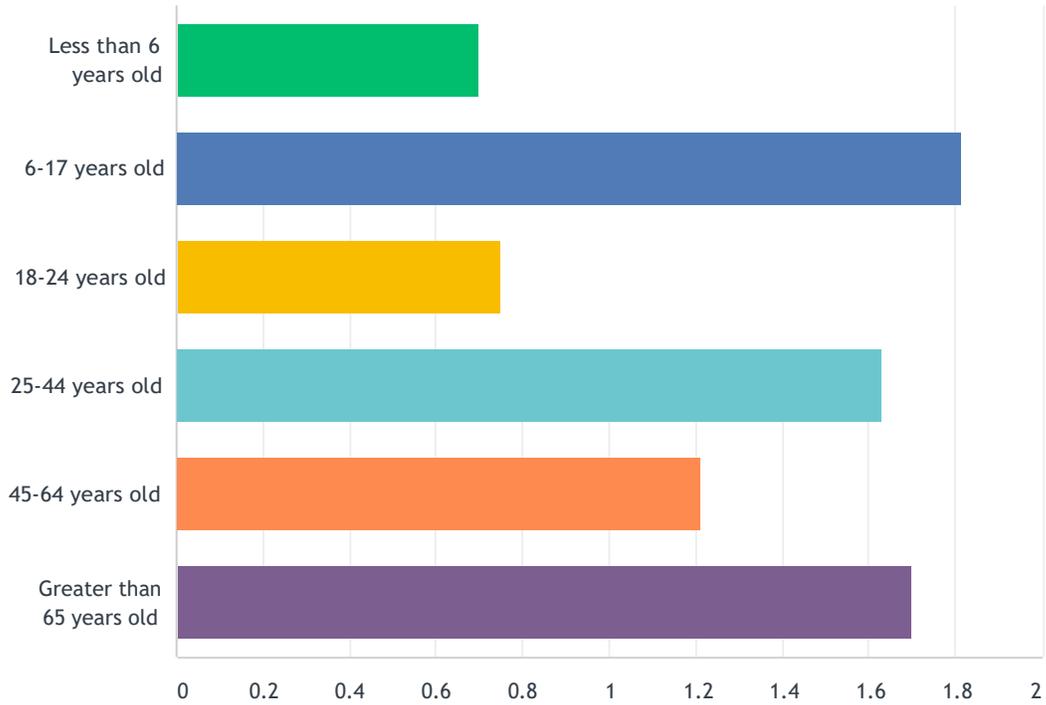
Answered: 201 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	3.48%	7
2-3	31.84%	64
4-5	51.74%	104
6-7	11.94%	24
8+	1.00%	2
TOTAL		201

Q5 How many people in your household are:

Answered: 201 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
Less than 6 years old	1	63	90
6-17 years old	2	274	151
18-24 years old	1	54	72
25-44 years old	2	240	147
45-64 years old	1	126	104
Greater than 65 years old	2	102	60
Total Respondents: 201			

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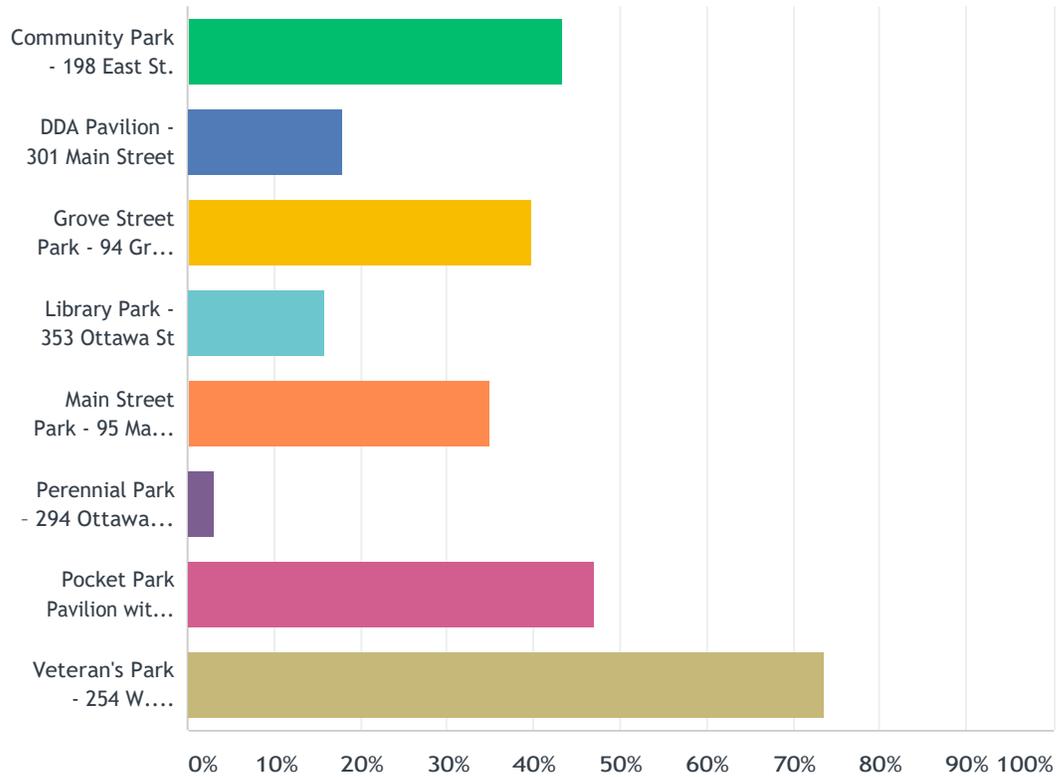
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Q6 Which of the City's parks and facilities have you or members of your household utilized in the last 12 months?

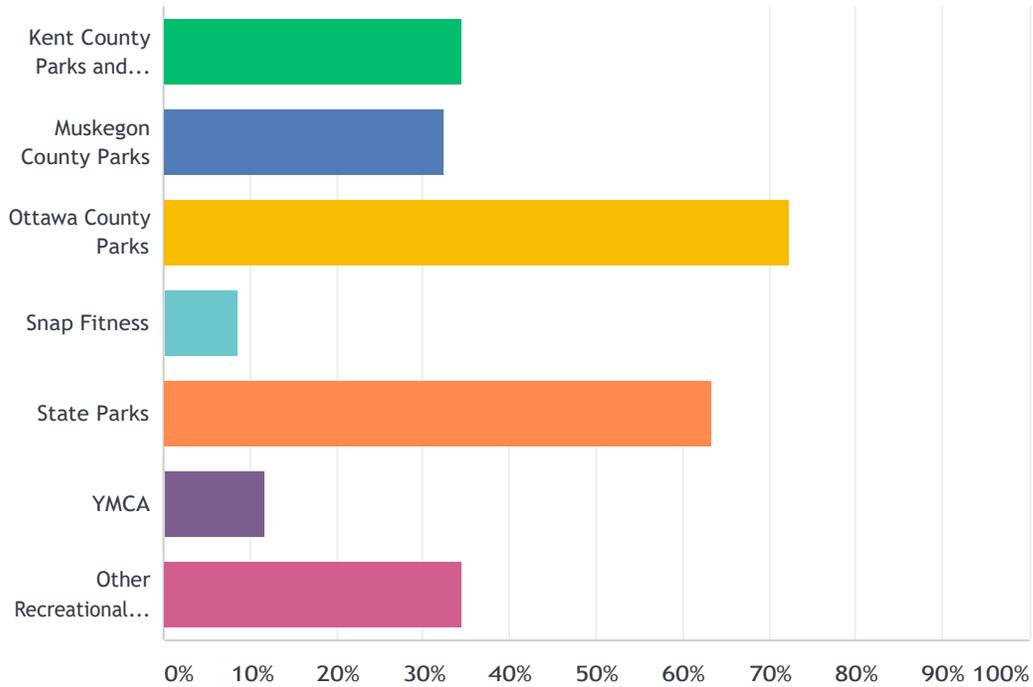
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Community Park - 198 East St.	43.39%	82
DDA Pavilion - 301 Main Street	17.99%	34
Grove Street Park - 94 Grove Street	39.68%	75
Library Park - 353 Ottawa St	15.87%	30
Main Street Park - 95 Main Street	34.92%	66
Perennial Park - 294 Ottawa St.	3.17%	6
Pocket Park Pavilion with Water Feature - 320 Main St.	47.09%	89
Veteran's Park - 254 W. Randall Street	73.54%	139
Total Respondents: 189		

Q7 Check any of these Parks and Recreation Facilities you or members of your household have utilized in the last 12 months.

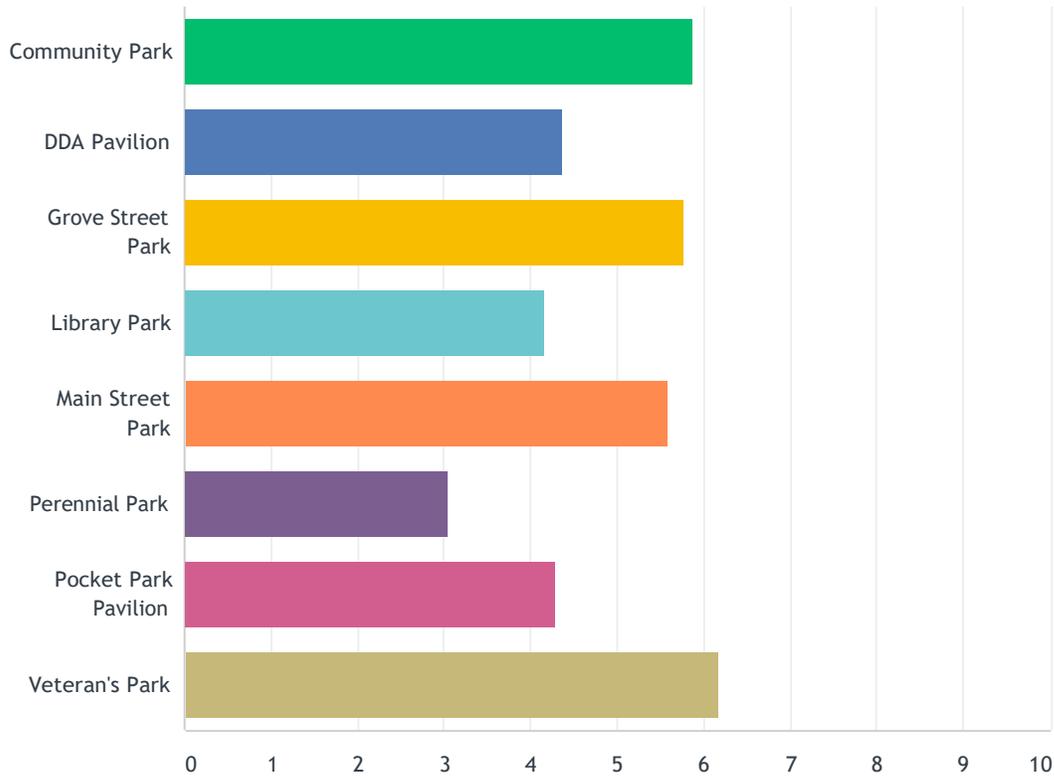
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Kent County Parks and Trails	34.57%	65
Muskegon County Parks	32.45%	61
Ottawa County Parks	72.34%	136
Snap Fitness	8.51%	16
State Parks	63.30%	119
YMCA	11.70%	22
Other Recreational Facility	34.57%	65
Total Respondents: 188		

Q8 Please rank the City's facilities you would like to see improved or expanded. 1=High Priority, 8=Low Priority

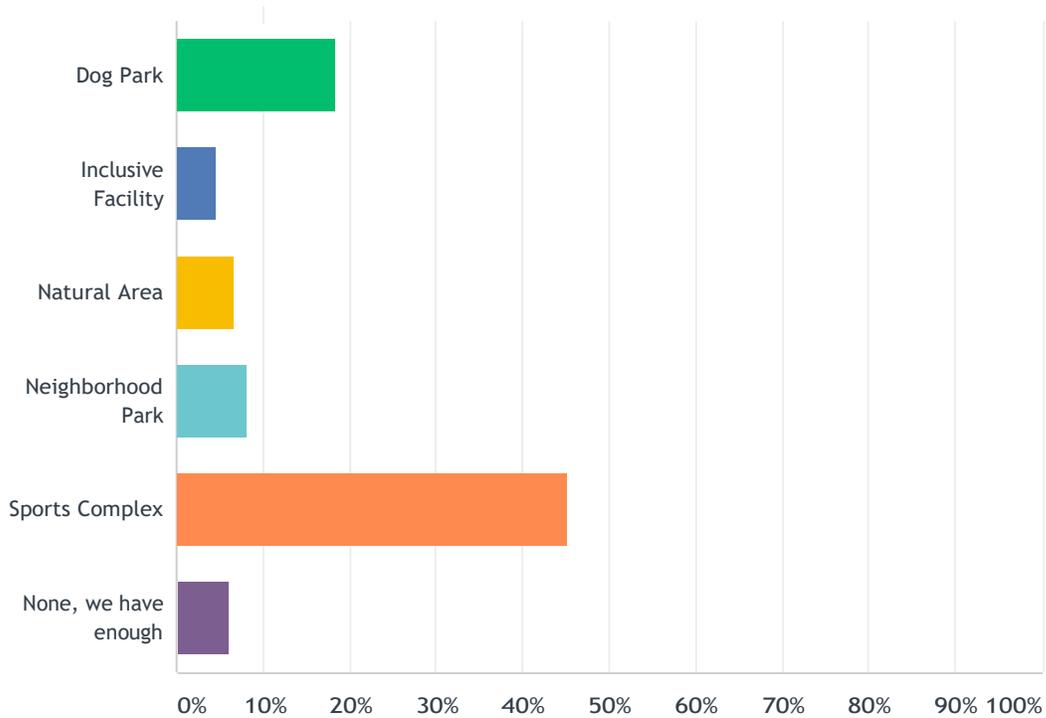
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL	SCORE
Community Park	26.24% 37	17.73% 25	15.60% 22	13.48% 19	14.89% 21	9.93% 14	1.42% 2	0.71% 1	141	5.88
DDA Pavilion	3.47% 5	10.42% 15	13.89% 20	15.28% 22	20.83% 30	27.08% 39	3.47% 5	5.56% 8	144	4.38
Grove Street Park	12.99% 20	23.38% 36	26.62% 41	17.53% 27	10.39% 16	4.55% 7	2.60% 4	1.95% 3	154	5.77
Library Park	5.56% 2	8.33% 3	8.33% 3	19.44% 7	19.44% 7	19.44% 7	11.11% 4	8.33% 3	36	4.17
Main Street Park	12.34% 19	22.08% 34	13.64% 21	25.97% 40	18.83% 29	5.19% 8	1.30% 2	0.65% 1	154	5.59
Perennial Park	0.00% 0	5.71% 2	8.57% 3	8.57% 3	8.57% 3	20.00% 7	28.57% 10	20.00% 7	35	3.06
Pocket Park Pavilion	8.22% 12	8.90% 13	12.33% 18	7.53% 11	17.81% 26	33.56% 49	6.16% 9	5.48% 8	146	4.29
Veteran's Park	40.85% 67	14.02% 23	13.41% 22	9.76% 16	7.93% 13	8.54% 14	0.61% 1	4.88% 8	164	6.18

Q9 What additional types of new parks/facilities would you most like to see in the City?

Answered: 195 Skipped: 7



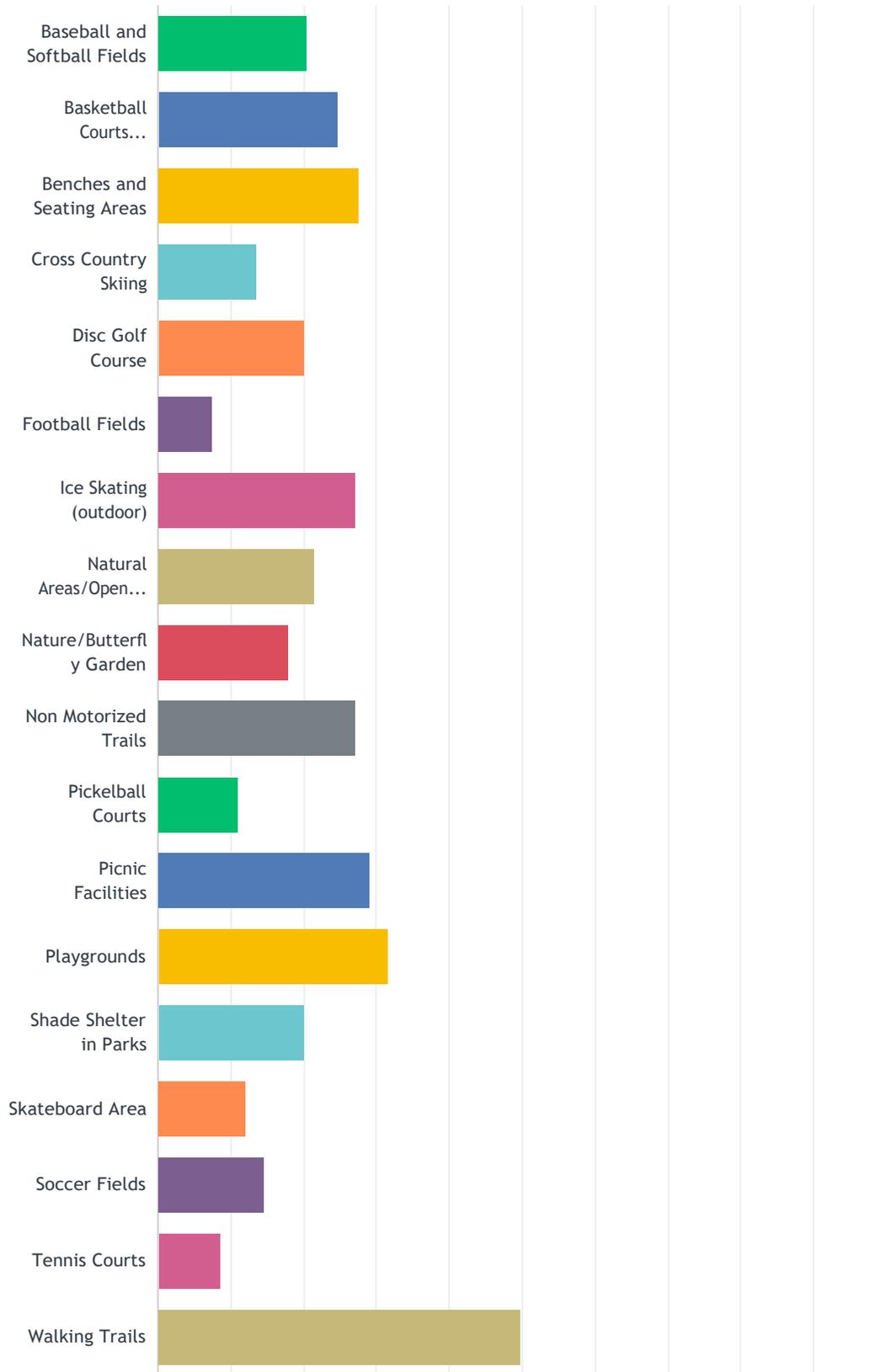
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Dog Park	18.46%	36
Inclusive Facility	4.62%	9
Natural Area	6.67%	13
Neighborhood Park	8.21%	16
Sports Complex	45.13%	88
None, we have enough	6.15%	12
TOTAL		195

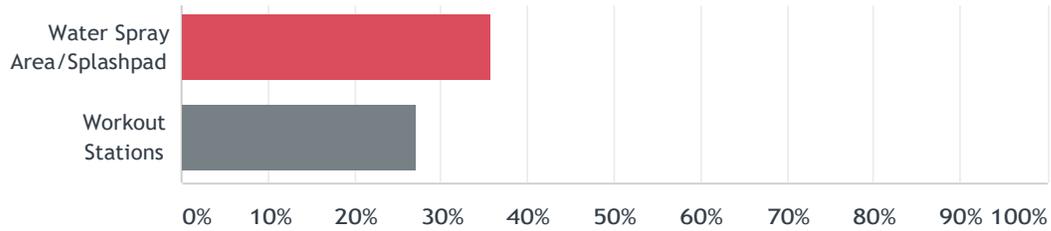
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1	Pool , aquatic center. visited one in both salida and gunnison colorado last year.	3/3/2020 4:53 PM
2	Public swimming pool	3/1/2020 5:26 PM
3	Big Splashpad/fountain/water places	2/29/2020 11:07 PM
4	Disc Golf course	2/28/2020 5:40 PM
5	A FACILITY AND CLASSES FOR PICKELBALL AND VOLLEYBALL	2/28/2020 4:42 PM
6	A larger multi-purpose park with tables, play structures, open spaces, walking/jogging paths, pavilion, trails, community gardens, etc. It would also be nice to someday have a community pool that has a price per swim visit instead of a membership.	2/28/2020 3:08 PM
7	Keep up the ice rink. Could also use it for rollerskating rink	2/28/2020 11:20 AM
8	Indoor basketball and batting cages would be awesome to be able to rent for a hr but at a reasonable price.	2/27/2020 3:24 PM
9	Splashpad	2/20/2020 7:50 PM
10	Indoor sports complex with pool	2/20/2020 7:06 AM
11	Accessible aquatic pool (ideally 2). One pool that would be a lap pool and another pool that would be warmer (not therapy) but great for Seniors, mild aquatic exercise that those who use benefit from a warmer pool and this with physical impairments that benefit from a pool.	2/19/2020 1:42 PM
12	better bathrooms/port a jon	2/19/2020 11:43 AM
13	Laser tag arena	2/19/2020 9:13 AM
14	Aquatic center	2/19/2020 8:38 AM
15	Aquatic	2/18/2020 11:27 PM
16	Aquatic center or splash pad	2/18/2020 11:20 PM
17	Aquatic centers	2/18/2020 10:55 PM
18	Aquatic Center	2/18/2020 10:00 PM
19	exercise equipment stations	2/18/2020 9:55 PM
20	Outdoor exercise equipment, running trails	2/18/2020 9:34 PM
21	Walking trails..maybe linking them, use the school and musketawa trail, but always looking for new close places to walk	2/18/2020 9:30 PM
22	aquatic and fitness center	2/18/2020 9:22 PM
23	Pool	2/18/2020 9:05 PM
24	hiking/biking trails	2/18/2020 8:51 PM
25	Signed walking/running routes throughout the city; additional sidewalks	2/18/2020 6:38 PM
26	Dog park badly	2/18/2020 12:59 PM
27	Playgrounds	2/18/2020 12:05 PM
28	More playground type equipment; more water features	2/18/2020 11:40 AM
29	somewhere with walking trails	2/18/2020 10:41 AM
30	Playgrounds	2/18/2020 10:23 AM
31	More play equipment for kids needed at all parks	2/18/2020 3:25 AM
32	Large splash pad and pool, indoor complex	2/17/2020 11:17 PM
33	Disc Golf Park	2/17/2020 11:04 PM
34	Year round pool close to the school. Year round ice rink with an indoor walking track.	2/17/2020 10:28 PM

35	Indoor pool	2/17/2020 10:19 PM
36	Shaded area to vets park & the park in the trailer park	2/17/2020 10:09 PM
37	Disc golf course	2/17/2020 10:03 PM
38	Somthing for everyone year round and fair priced.	2/17/2020 9:51 PM
39	Full splash pad (not a fountain like on Main Street)	2/17/2020 9:33 PM

Q10 Which of the following activities would you most like to see expanded or added in the City?

Answered: 199 Skipped: 3

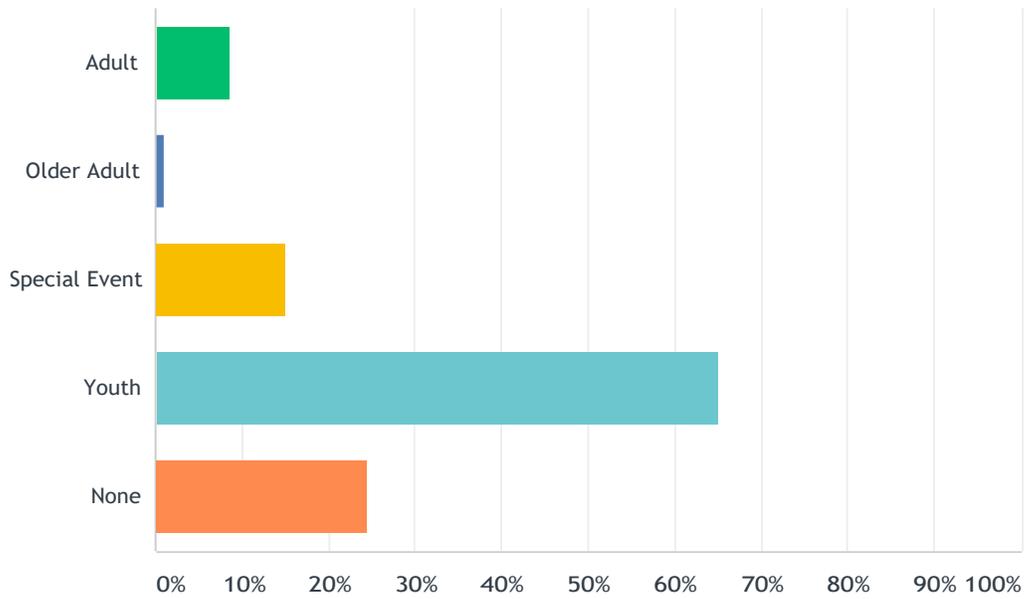




ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Baseball and Softball Fields	20.60%	41
Basketball Courts (outdoor)	24.62%	49
Benches and Seating Areas	27.64%	55
Cross Country Skiing	13.57%	27
Disc Golf Course	20.10%	40
Football Fields	7.54%	15
Ice Skating (outdoor)	27.14%	54
Natural Areas/Open Space	21.61%	43
Nature/Butterfly Garden	18.09%	36
Non Motorized Trails	27.14%	54
Pickelball Courts	11.06%	22
Picnic Facilities	29.15%	58
Playgrounds	31.66%	63
Shade Shelter in Parks	20.10%	40
Skateboard Area	12.06%	24
Soccer Fields	14.57%	29
Tennis Courts	8.54%	17
Walking Trails	49.75%	99
Water Spray Area/Splashpad	35.68%	71
Workout Stations	27.14%	54
Total Respondents: 199		

Q11 In what recreation programming offered by The City of Coopersville have you or your family participated in the last year?

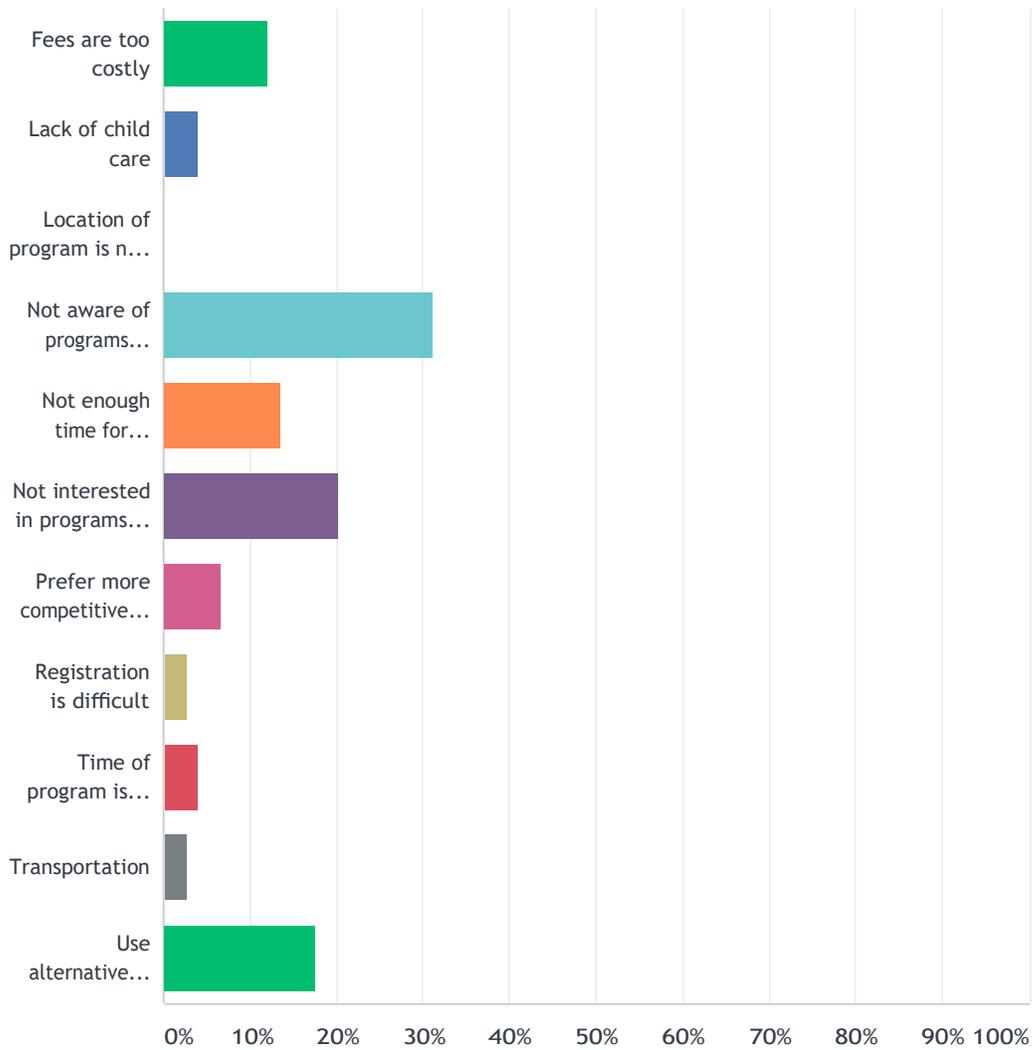
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Adult	8.50%	17
Older Adult	1.00%	2
Special Event	15.00%	30
Youth	65.00%	130
None	24.50%	49
Total Respondents: 200		

Q12 If you answered "none" to Question 11 above, please indicate your reason for non-participation.

Answered: 74 Skipped: 128

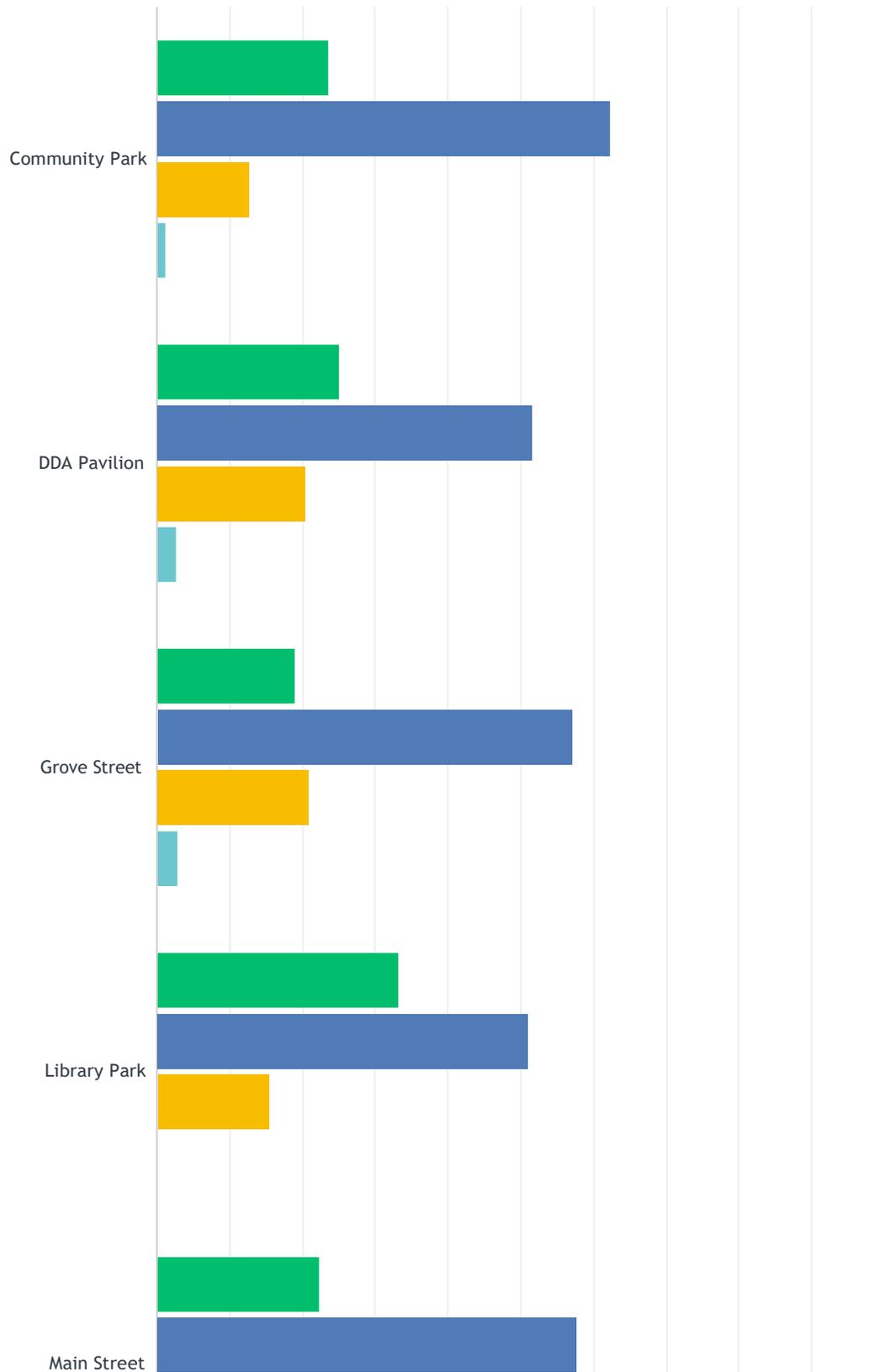


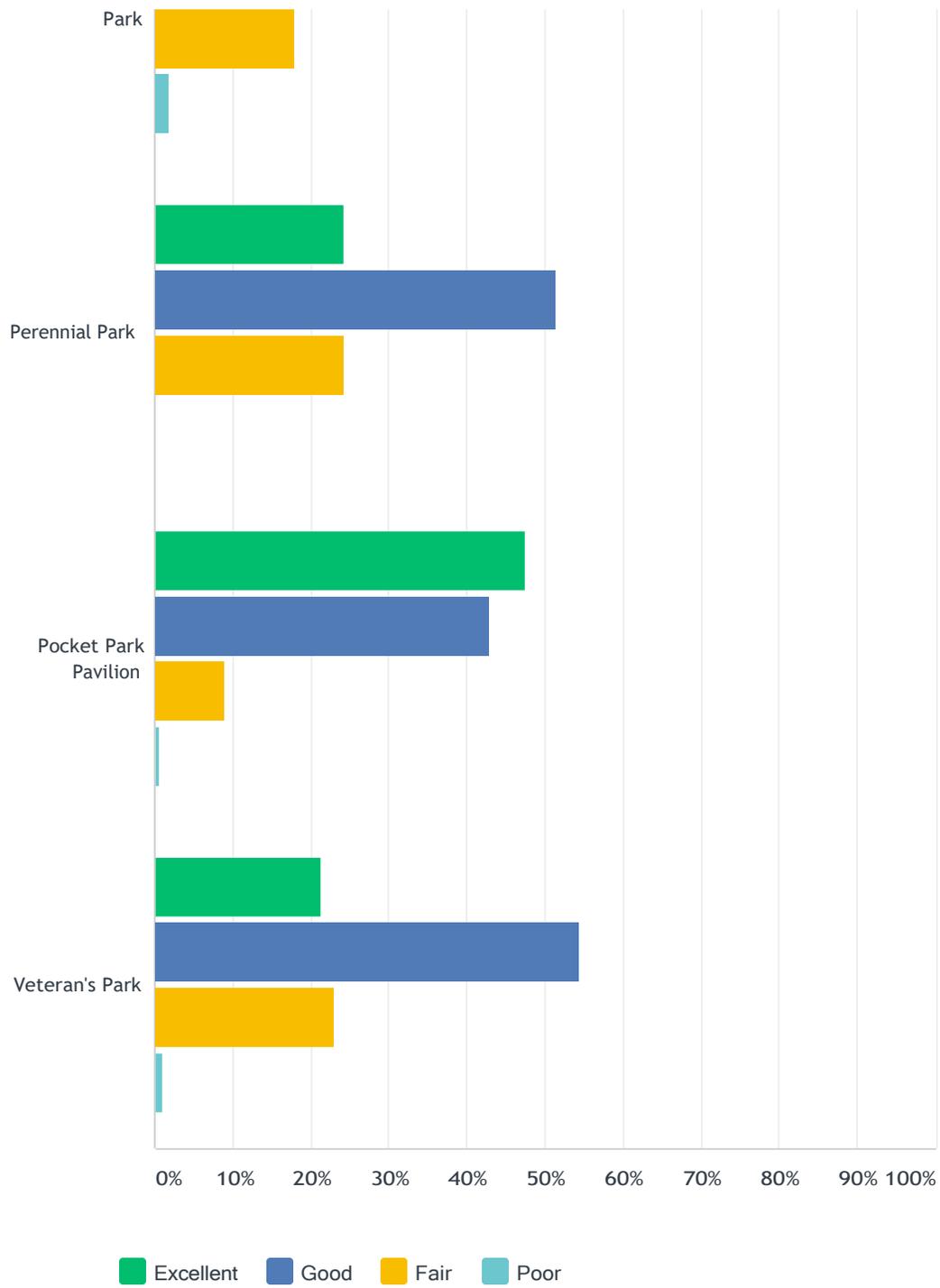
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Fees are too costly	12.16% 9
Lack of child care	4.05% 3
Location of program is not convenient	0.00% 0
Not aware of programs offered	31.08% 23
Not enough time for participation	13.51% 10
Not interested in programs offered	20.27% 15
Prefer more competitive sport leagues for my child	6.76% 5
Registration is difficult	2.70% 2
Time of program is inconvenient	4.05% 3
Transportation	2.70% 2
Use alternative recreational programming	17.57% 13
Total Respondents: 74	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	WOULD LIKE TO SEE ADULT PICKELBALL OFFERED	2/28/2020 4:42 PM
2	Kids are to old or not interested	2/19/2020 9:51 PM
3	I have grown children that no longer live with us.	2/19/2020 1:16 PM
4	na	2/19/2020 11:43 AM
5	Anything offered for senior citizens?	2/18/2020 11:14 PM
6	I participated while I was a child and now I'm in college.	2/18/2020 10:57 PM
7	I do think the basketball fees are to high based on amount of games played, especially basketball	2/18/2020 9:30 PM
8	Have participated	2/18/2020 8:59 PM
9	too old but NOT disinterested in recreation for the City.	2/18/2020 10:55 AM
10	NA	2/17/2020 11:17 PM
11	Would love to see a fitness trail	2/17/2020 11:16 PM
12	Lacking special needs activities.	2/17/2020 10:28 PM
13	Child not ready for organized sports	2/17/2020 10:09 PM
14	N/a	2/17/2020 10:06 PM

Q13 How would you rate the maintenance of Coopersville Parks you have visited?

Answered: 193 Skipped: 9

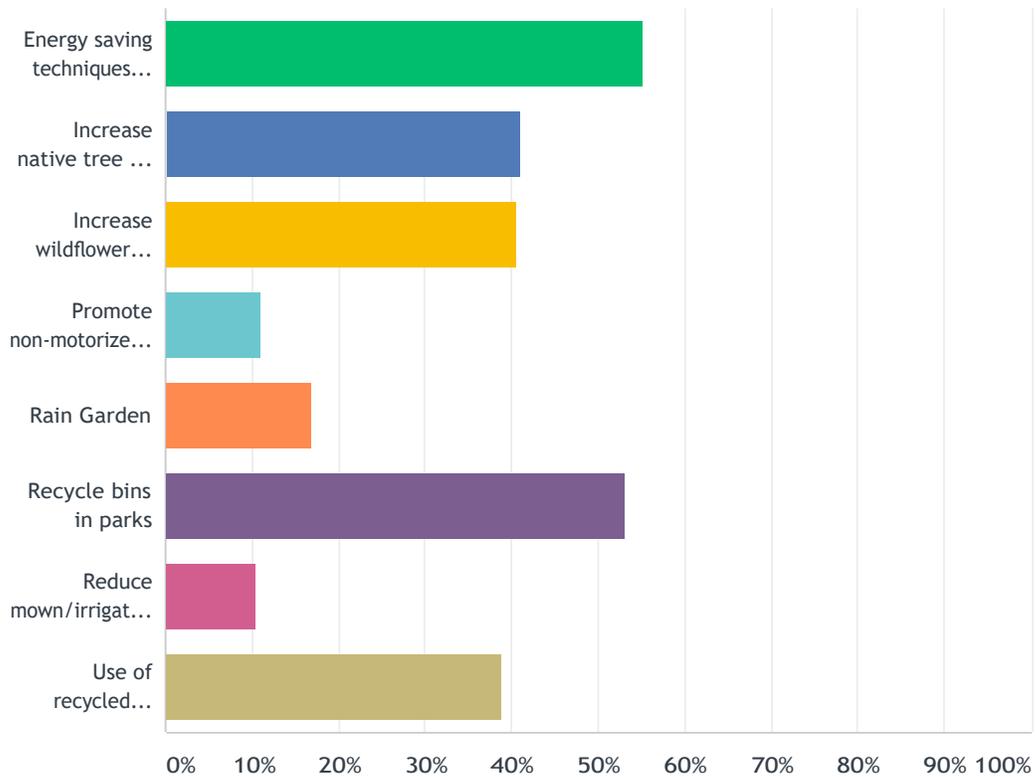




	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Community Park	23.64% 39	62.42% 103	12.73% 21	1.21% 2	165	1.92
DDA Pavilion	25.17% 37	51.70% 76	20.41% 30	2.72% 4	147	2.01
Grove Street	19.05% 32	57.14% 96	20.83% 35	2.98% 5	168	2.08
Library Park	33.33% 15	51.11% 23	15.56% 7	0.00% 0	45	1.82
Main Street Park	22.44% 35	57.69% 90	17.95% 28	1.92% 3	156	1.99
Perennial Park	24.24% 8	51.52% 17	24.24% 8	0.00% 0	33	2.00
Pocket Park Pavilion	47.40% 73	42.86% 66	9.09% 14	0.65% 1	154	1.63
Veteran's Park	21.43% 39	54.40% 99	23.08% 42	1.10% 2	182	2.04

Q14 Please indicate which green initiatives you think would be most effective.

Answered: 190 Skipped: 12

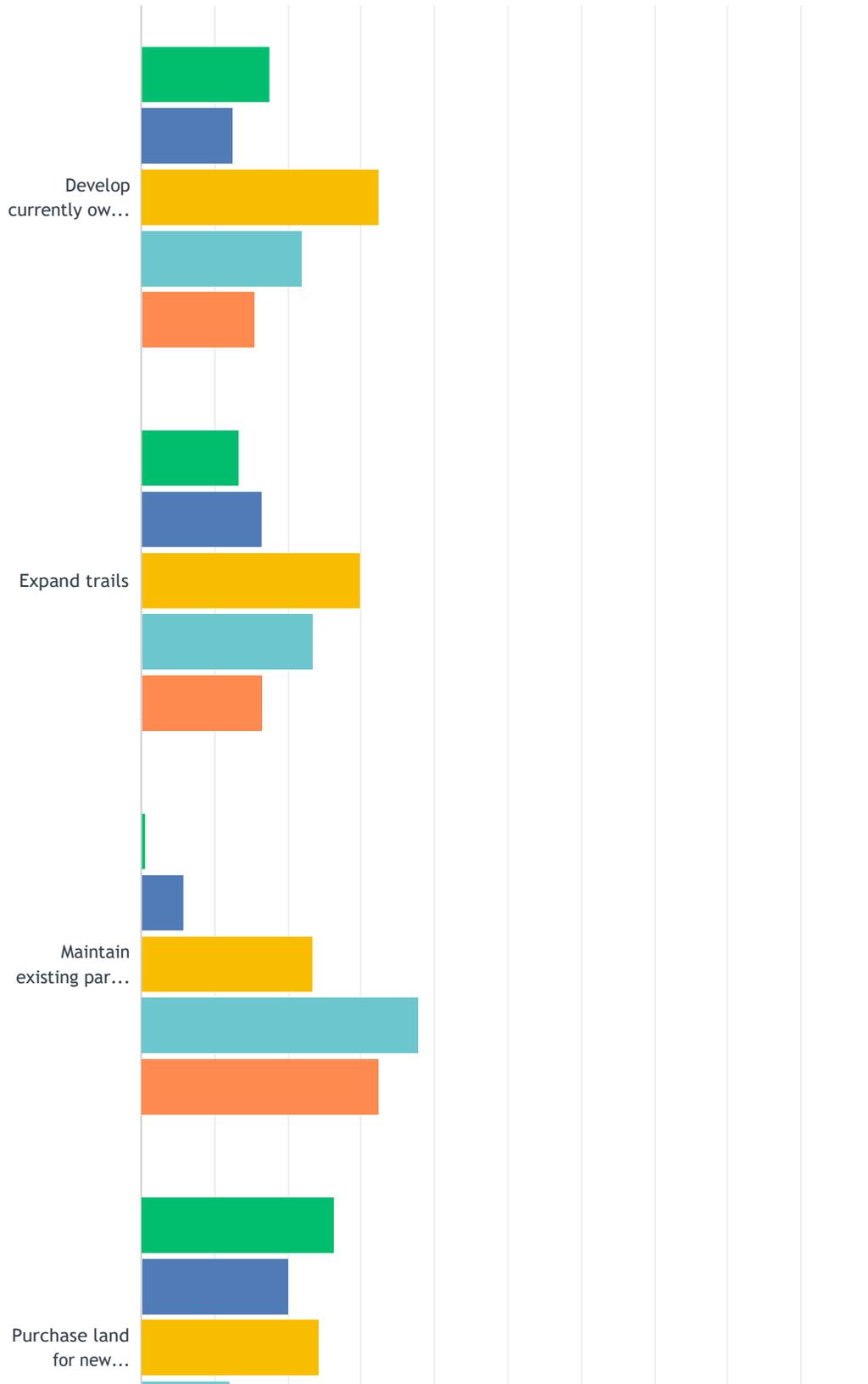


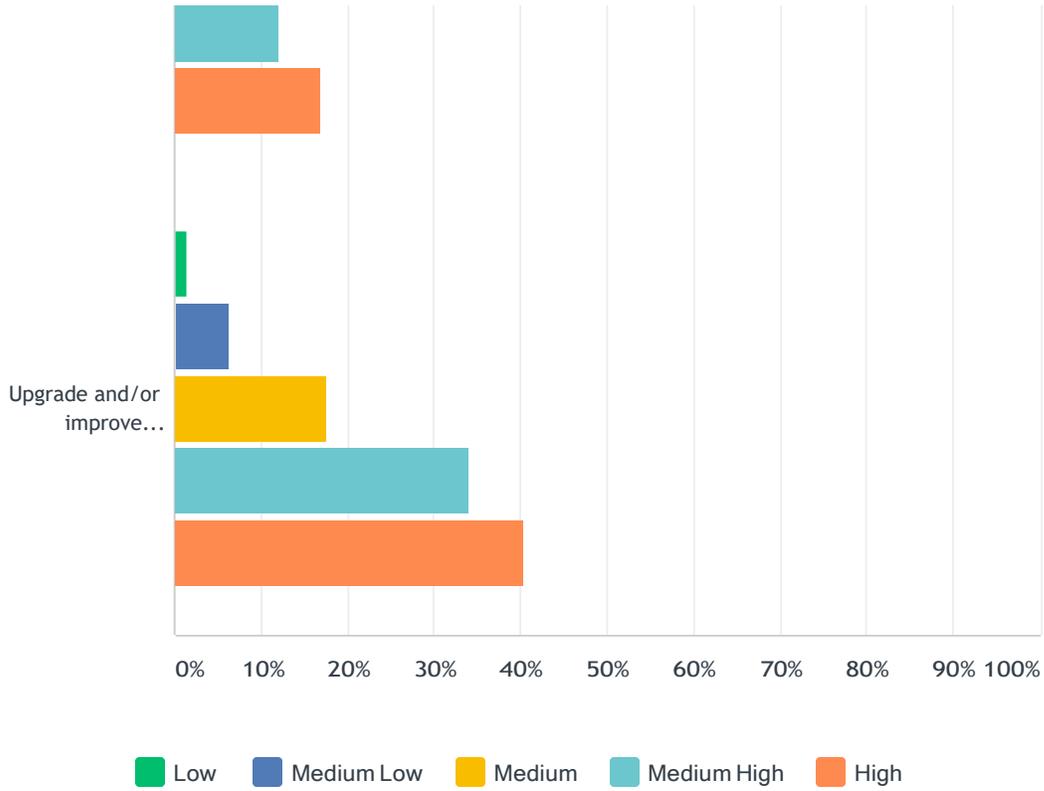
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Energy saving techniques (solar power, LED lights, timers, etc)	55.26%	105
Increase native tree and shrub planting	41.05%	78
Increase wildflower areas	40.53%	77
Promote non-motorized transportation to parks	11.05%	21
Rain Garden	16.84%	32
Recycle bins in parks	53.16%	101
Reduce mown/irrigated lawn areas	10.53%	20
Use of recycled products and materials	38.95%	74
Total Respondents: 190		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Stop the herbicides and pesticides.	2/28/2020 3:08 PM
2	Wind Energy (Wind Turbines)	2/19/2020 8:12 AM

Q15 Please rate, in order of priority, how you feel park and recreation funding should be spent.

Answered: 197 Skipped: 5

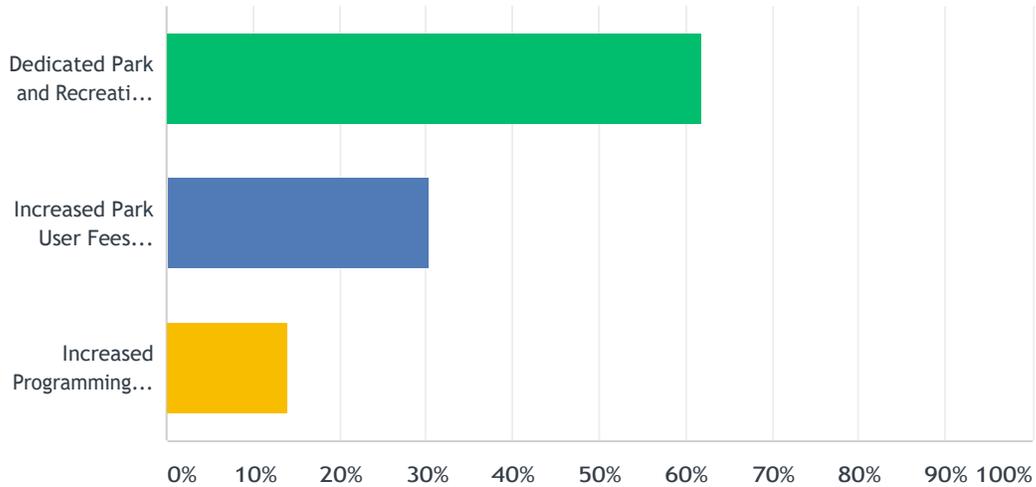




	LOW	MEDIUM LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM HIGH	HIGH	TOTAL
Develop currently owned non-developed land	17.58% 32	12.64% 23	32.42% 59	21.98% 40	15.38% 28	182
Expand trails	13.37% 25	16.58% 31	29.95% 56	23.53% 44	16.58% 31	187
Maintain existing park facilities	0.53% 1	5.85% 11	23.40% 44	37.77% 71	32.45% 61	188
Purchase land for new parks/open space when available	26.46% 50	20.11% 38	24.34% 46	12.17% 23	16.93% 32	189
Upgrade and/or improve existing park facilities	1.55% 3	6.22% 12	17.62% 34	34.20% 66	40.41% 78	193

Q16 The City will continue to solicit state and federal grant funding and private donations/fund raising for recreation facility development and improvements. What other funding options should be considered?

Answered: 158 Skipped: 44

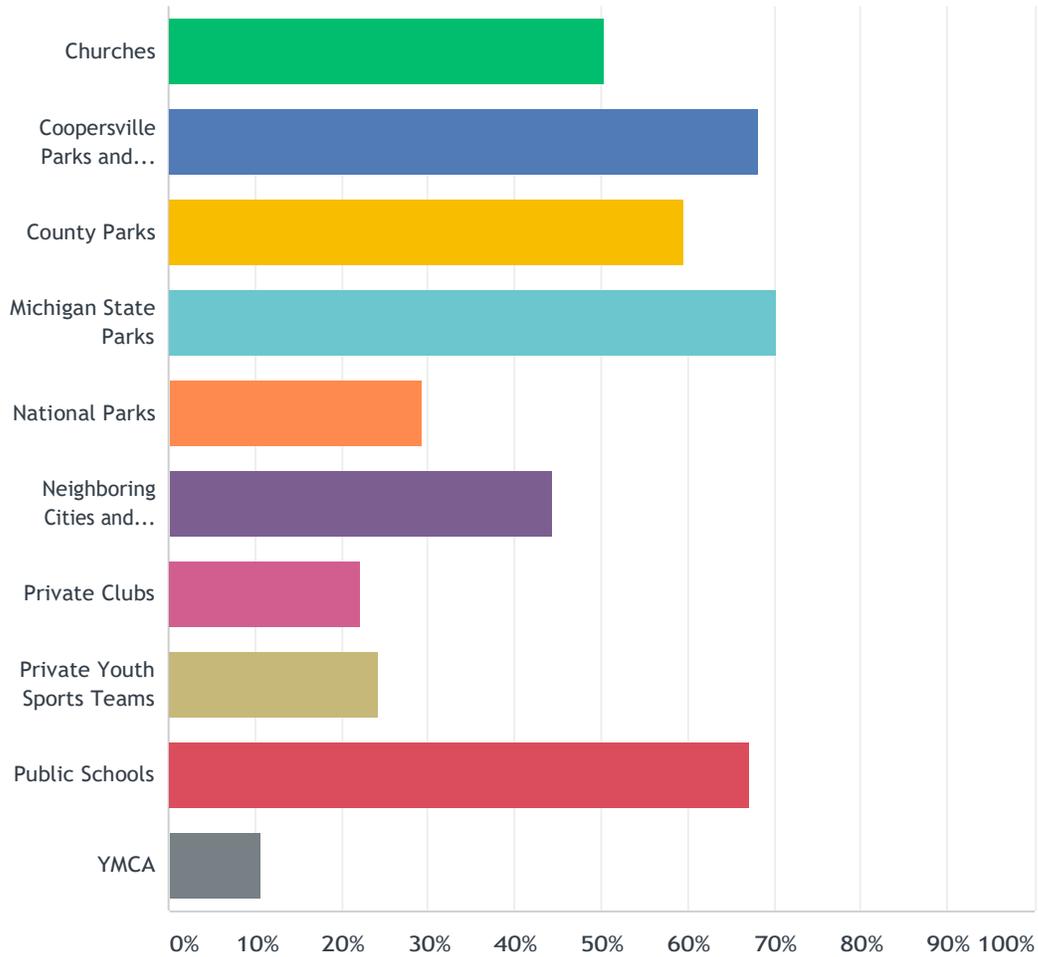


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Dedicated Park and Recreation mileage	62.03% 98
Increased Park User Fees (rental facilities, etc.)	30.38% 48
Increased Programming Fees	13.92% 22
Total Respondents: 158	

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1	with an aquatic center your charge for admission, towels, laundry etc.	3/3/2020 4:53 PM
2	Our local contribution (tases) is already high in this town	3/1/2020 5:26 PM
3	Fundraising community activities	2/29/2020 6:59 PM
4	Have groups adopt a park	2/28/2020 11:20 AM
5	When I was a kid we sold candy bars and eventually variety of candy from a box to raise money for baseball and Ithink it was a good way to learn responsibility and help the rec programs.	2/27/2020 3:24 PM
6	Water park	2/20/2020 7:50 PM
7	Use the money you have responsibility	2/19/2020 6:51 PM
8	Tournaments	2/19/2020 4:35 PM
9	None	2/19/2020 1:07 PM
10	na	2/19/2020 11:43 AM
11	None, we currently pay enough. Should be better at utilizing that fund balance.	2/19/2020 7:45 AM
12	none taxes are high enough	2/19/2020 4:13 AM
13	paid events	2/18/2020 9:55 PM
14	Mileage is already keep new people from coming in because taxes are so high on new homes in the city limits.	2/18/2020 9:22 PM
15	Decrease fees to help more families participate	2/18/2020 9:21 PM
16	Do not increase taxes or fees. Do better with what exists.	2/18/2020 4:02 PM
17	None	2/18/2020 11:17 AM
18	No increase in fees. It hurts the poor the most. Solicit the major business owners in West Michigan for donations.	2/17/2020 10:28 PM

Q17 Check all of the organizations that you or members of your household have used for indoor and outdoor recreation activities during the last 12 months.

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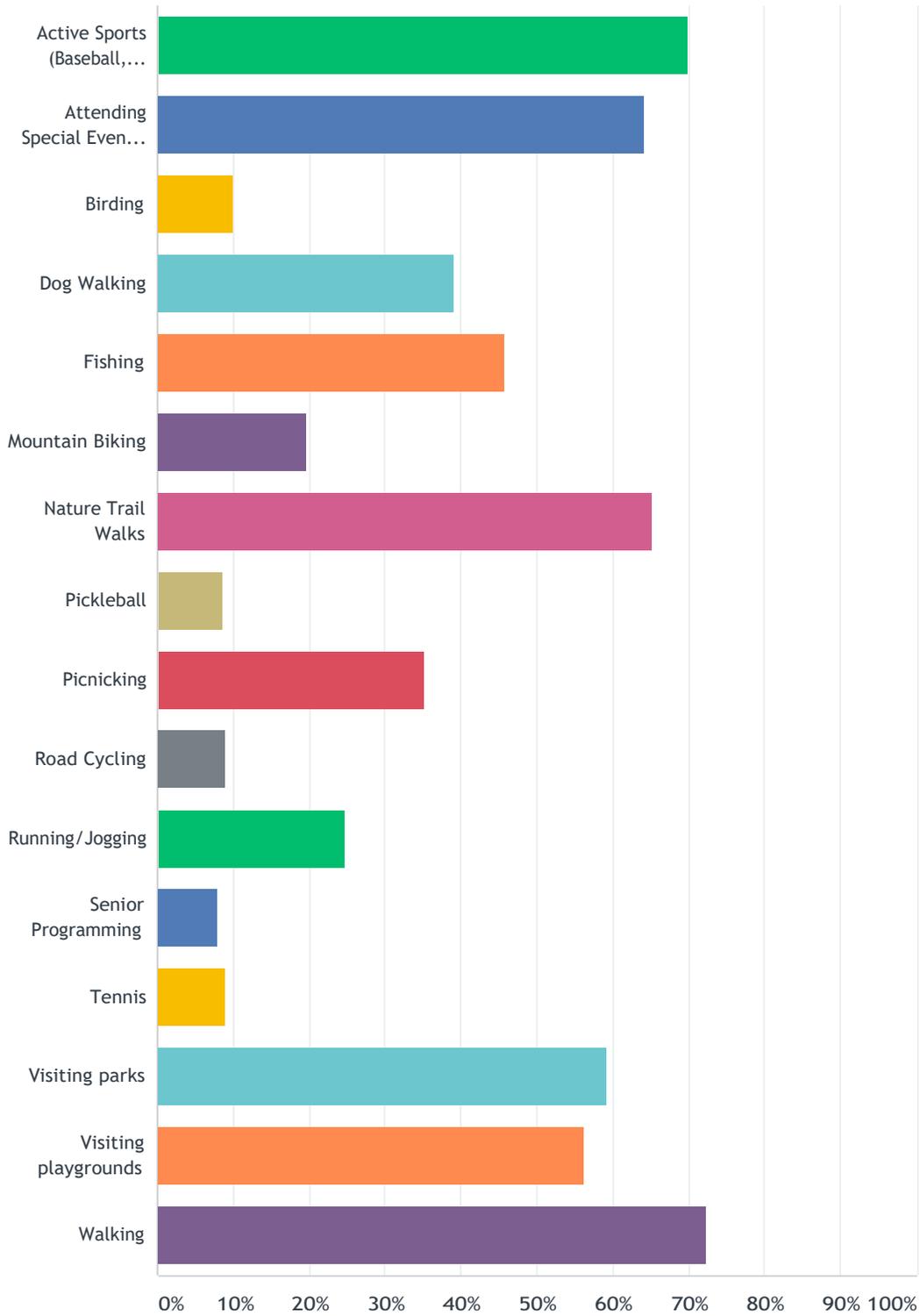


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Churches	50.51%	100
Coopersville Parks and Recreation	68.18%	135
County Parks	59.60%	118
Michigan State Parks	70.20%	139
National Parks	29.29%	58
Neighboring Cities and Townships	44.44%	88
Private Clubs	22.22%	44
Private Youth Sports Teams	24.24%	48
Public Schools	67.17%	133
YMCA	10.61%	21
Total Respondents: 198		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Other Community center while on vacation and hunting out of state, we rented showers at the community center.	3/3/2020 4:53 PM
2	WILL BE GOING TO THE GRAND HAVEN YMCA, BECAUSE THEY HAVE PROGRAMS OR WILL HAVE PROGRAMS I'M INTERESTED IN. LOVE TO HAVE SOMETHING CLOSER.	2/28/2020 4:42 PM
3	lake in Manistee co.	2/22/2020 11:54 AM
4	Library	2/19/2020 1:16 PM
5	Spring Lake Aquatic Center	2/19/2020 2:34 AM
6	just in usage of public areas	2/18/2020 4:02 PM

Q18 Please indicate activities you and/or members of your household enjoy:

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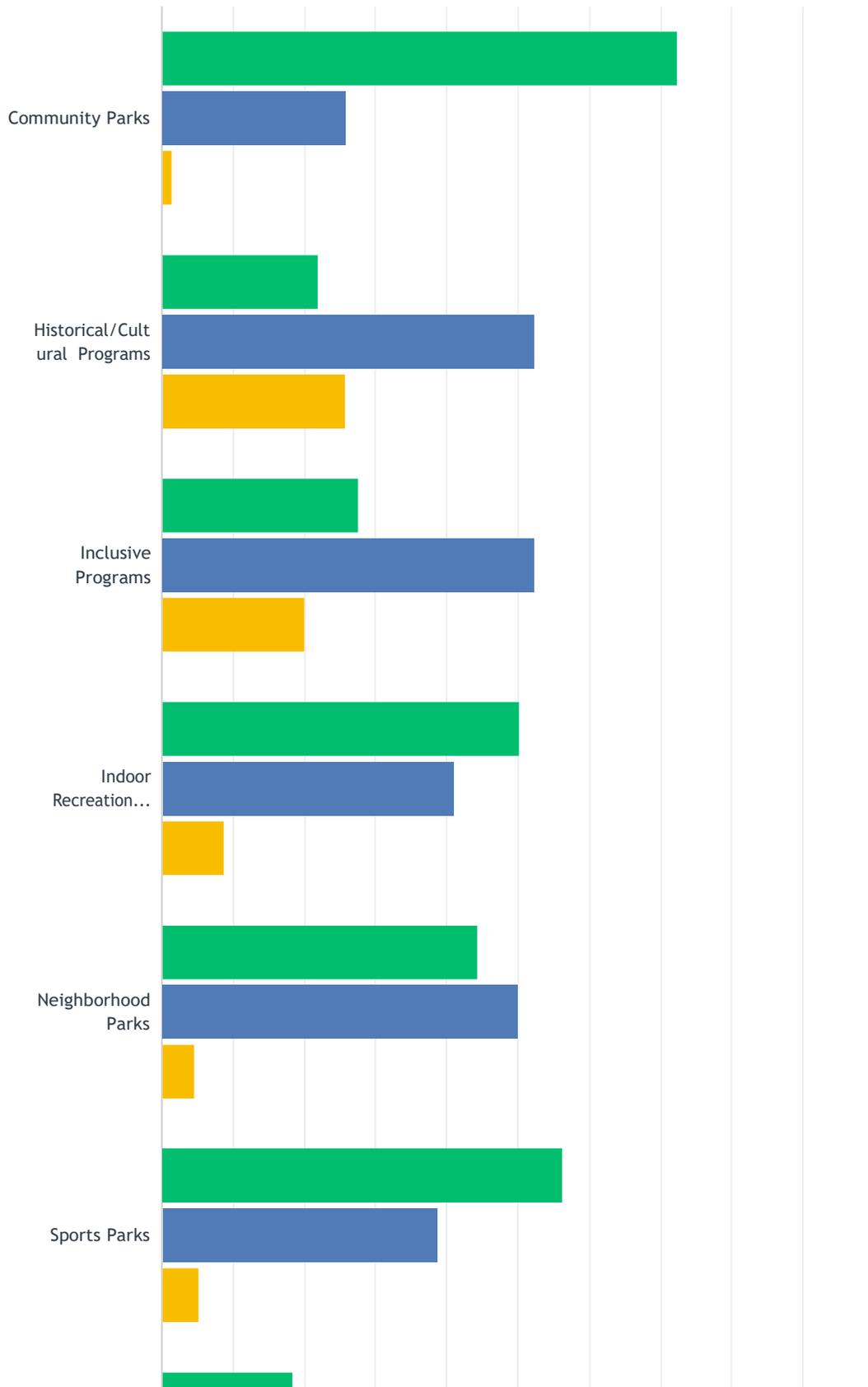


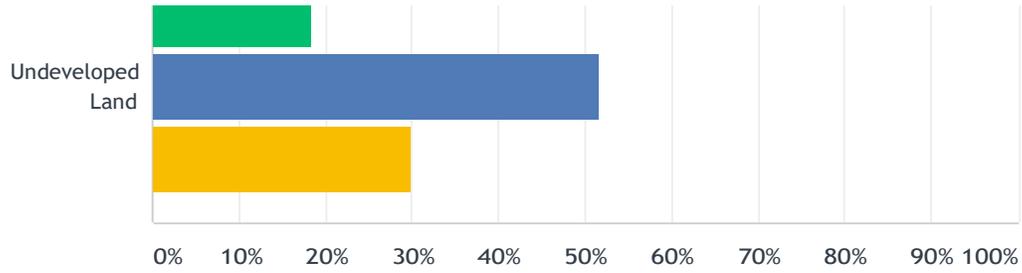
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Active Sports (Baseball, Softball, Basketball, Soccer, Football, etc.)	69.85%	139
Attending Special Events (concerts and movies, etc.)	64.32%	128
Birding	10.05%	20
Dog Walking	39.20%	78
Fishing	45.73%	91
Mountain Biking	19.60%	39
Nature Trail Walks	65.33%	130
Pickleball	8.54%	17
Picnicking	35.18%	70
Road Cycling	9.05%	18
Running/Jogging	24.62%	49
Senior Programming	8.04%	16
Tennis	9.05%	18
Visiting parks	59.30%	118
Visiting playgrounds	56.28%	112
Walking	72.36%	144
Total Respondents: 199		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	swimming	3/1/2020 5:26 PM
2	SQUARE DANCING	2/28/2020 4:42 PM
3	ice skating/rollerblading	2/28/2020 11:20 AM
4	Aquatic fun	2/20/2020 7:50 PM
5	Swimming	2/20/2020 7:06 AM
6	Disc golfing	2/19/2020 9:43 PM
7	Swimming	2/19/2020 1:09 PM
8	Bike Trails	2/19/2020 9:13 AM
9	horse trails	2/19/2020 4:13 AM
10	Swimming	2/19/2020 2:34 AM
11	An aquatic center	2/18/2020 11:27 PM
12	Swimming	2/18/2020 11:20 PM
13	Swimming, water play	2/18/2020 10:00 PM
14	Swimming and Fitness	2/18/2020 9:22 PM
15	Horseback riding	2/18/2020 9:06 PM
16	Cheerleading	2/18/2020 8:59 PM
17	shooting sports	2/18/2020 11:47 AM
18	Off leash dog areas	2/18/2020 10:37 AM
19	Hiking	2/18/2020 10:05 AM
20	Disc Golf Park	2/17/2020 11:04 PM
21	Figure skating. Hockey is very, very dominant in West MI. It is very difficult for figure skaters to find a rink to skate at. I travel to 5 different ice rinks so my daughter can get her practice in.	2/17/2020 10:28 PM
22	Swimming and wading	2/17/2020 10:19 PM
23	Disc golf	2/17/2020 10:03 PM
24	Splash Pads, biking on bike paths	2/17/2020 9:33 PM

Q19 How important is it to have the following in The City of Coopersville:

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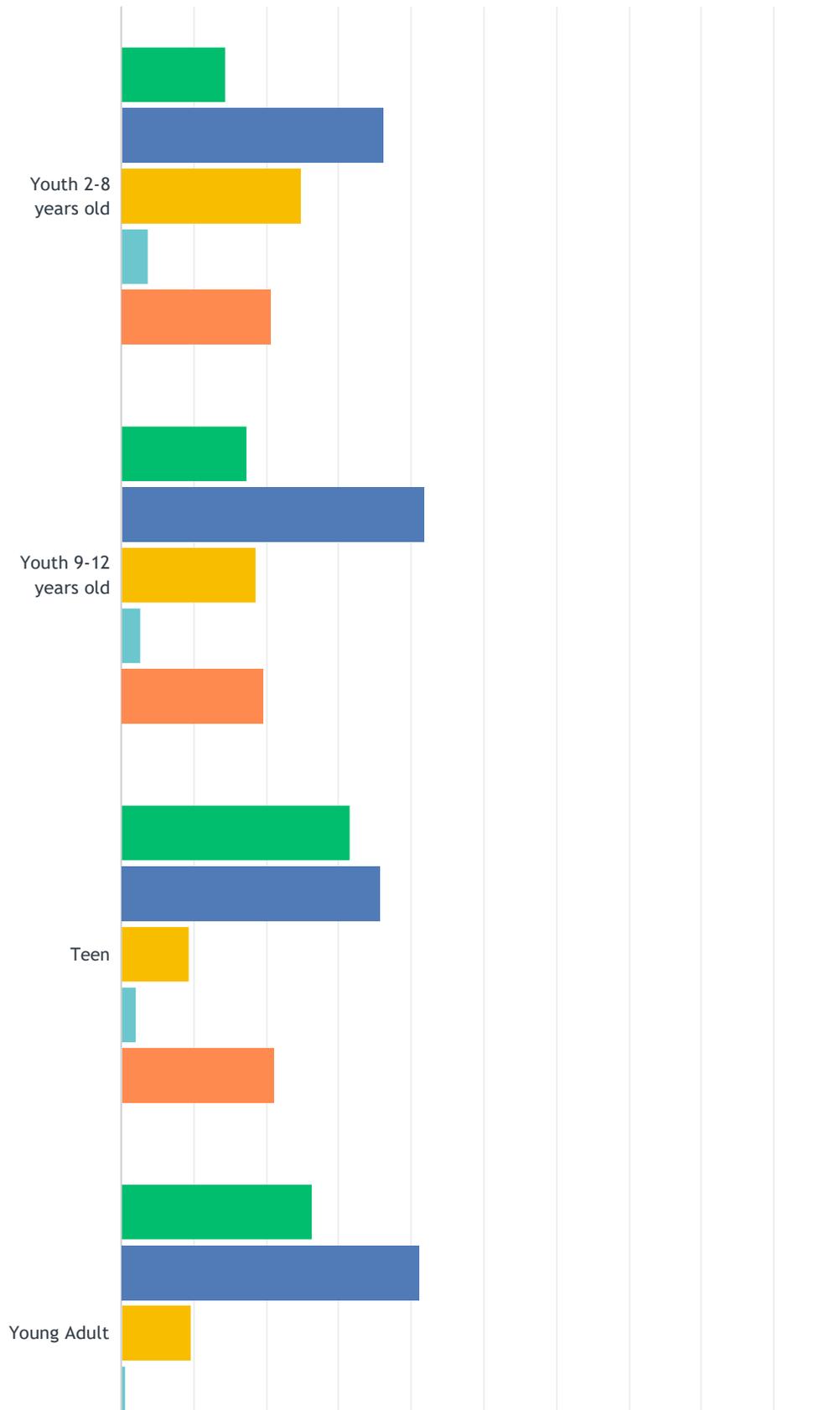
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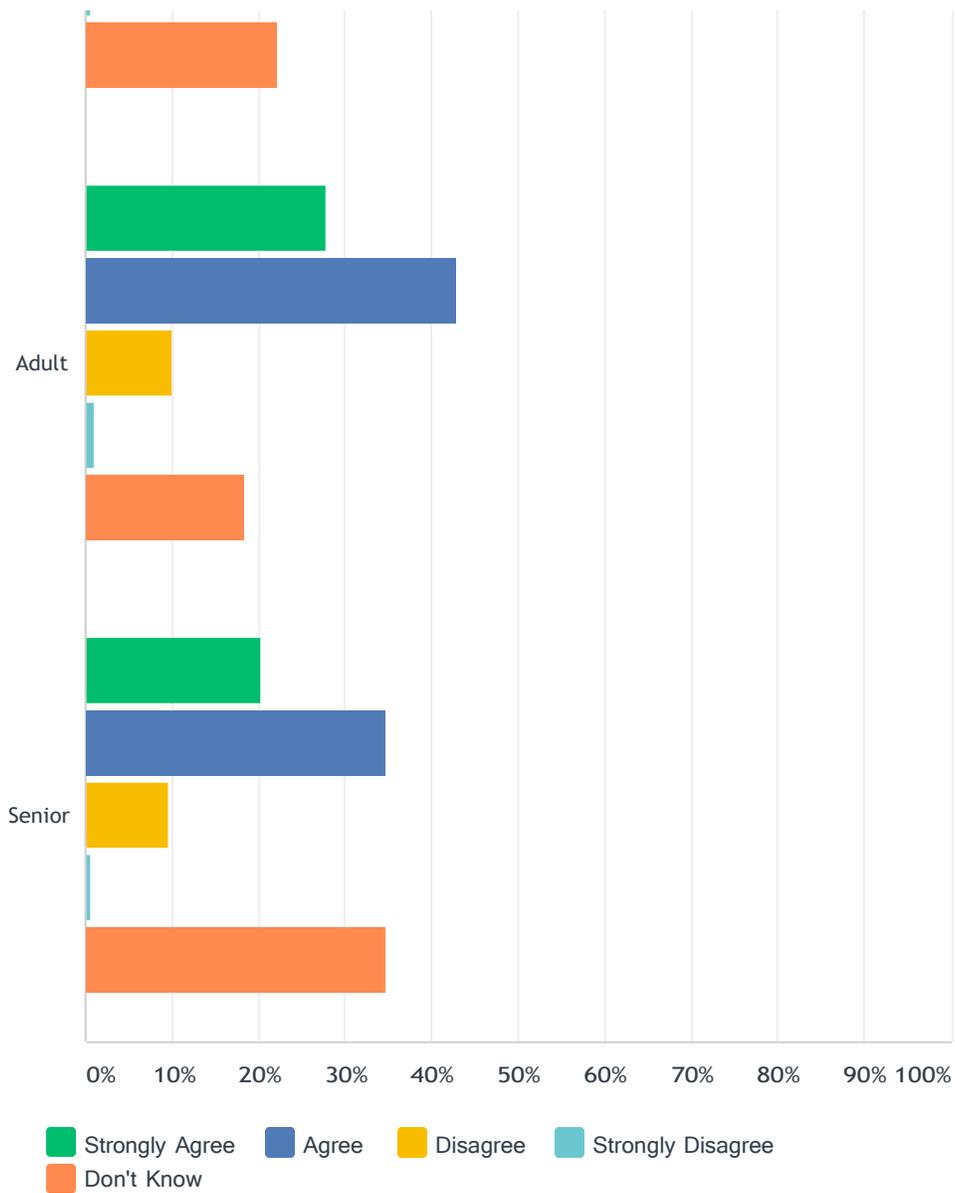
	VERY IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Community Parks	72.45% 142	26.02% 51	1.53% 3	196	1.29
Historical/Cultural Programs	22.05% 43	52.31% 102	25.64% 50	195	2.04
Inclusive Programs	27.51% 52	52.38% 99	20.11% 38	189	1.93
Indoor Recreation Facility	50.26% 98	41.03% 80	8.72% 17	195	1.58
Neighborhood Parks	44.33% 86	51.03% 99	4.64% 9	194	1.60
Sports Parks	56.19% 109	38.66% 75	5.15% 10	194	1.49
Undeveloped Land	18.42% 35	51.58% 98	30.00% 57	190	2.12

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Would be wonderful to have indoor walking for winter, but I don't want to increase my taxes for it.	2/28/2020 11:20 AM
2	I would like to have a fishing place for kids...	2/18/2020 1:14 PM
3	Fitness stations	2/17/2020 11:16 PM
4	What does inclusive programs mean?	2/17/2020 10:28 PM

Q20 There is a need for more programs for the following ages:

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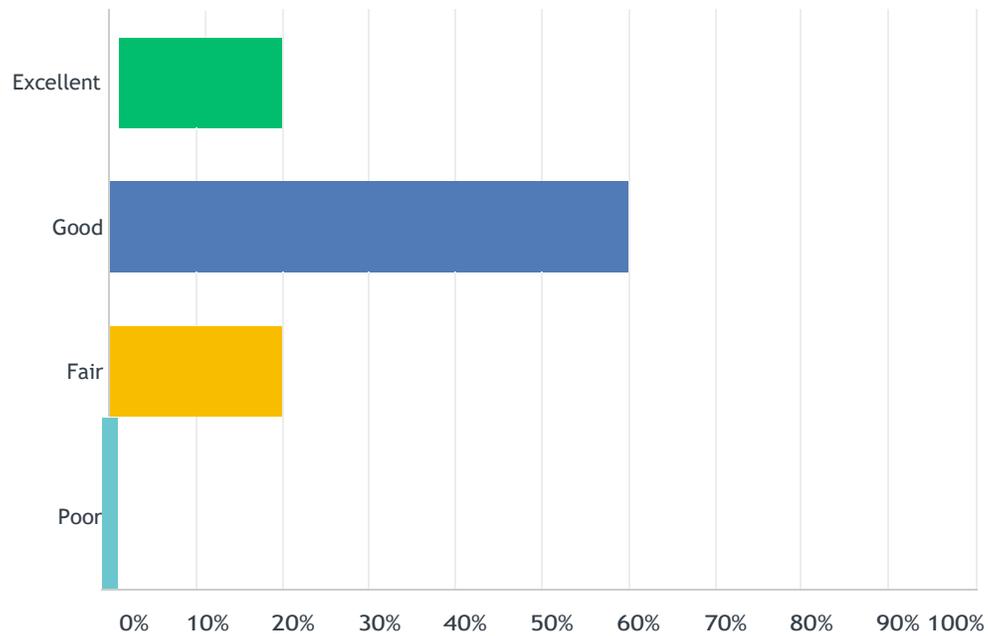




	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Youth 2-8 years old	14.36% 27	36.17% 68	25.00% 47	3.72% 7	20.74% 39	188	2.80
Youth 9-12 years old	17.46% 33	41.80% 79	18.52% 35	2.65% 5	19.58% 37	189	2.65
Teen	31.58% 60	35.79% 68	9.47% 18	2.11% 4	21.05% 40	190	2.45
Young Adult	26.46% 50	41.27% 78	9.52% 18	0.53% 1	22.22% 42	189	2.51
Adult	27.75% 53	42.93% 82	9.95% 19	1.05% 2	18.32% 35	191	2.39
Senior	20.32% 38	34.76% 65	9.63% 18	0.53% 1	34.76% 65	187	2.95

Q21 How would you rate the overall Parks and Recreation Facilities provided by The City of Coopersville?

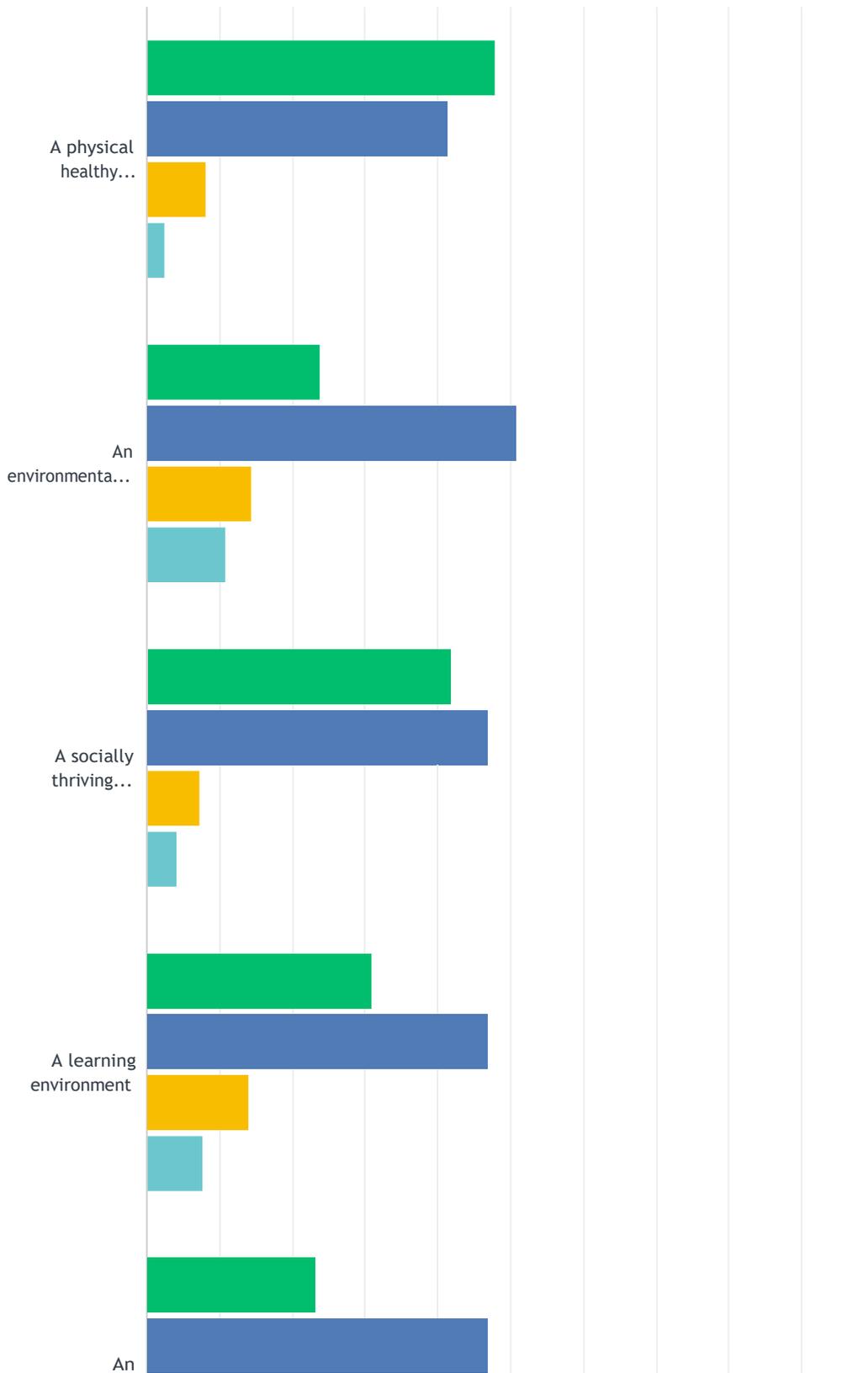
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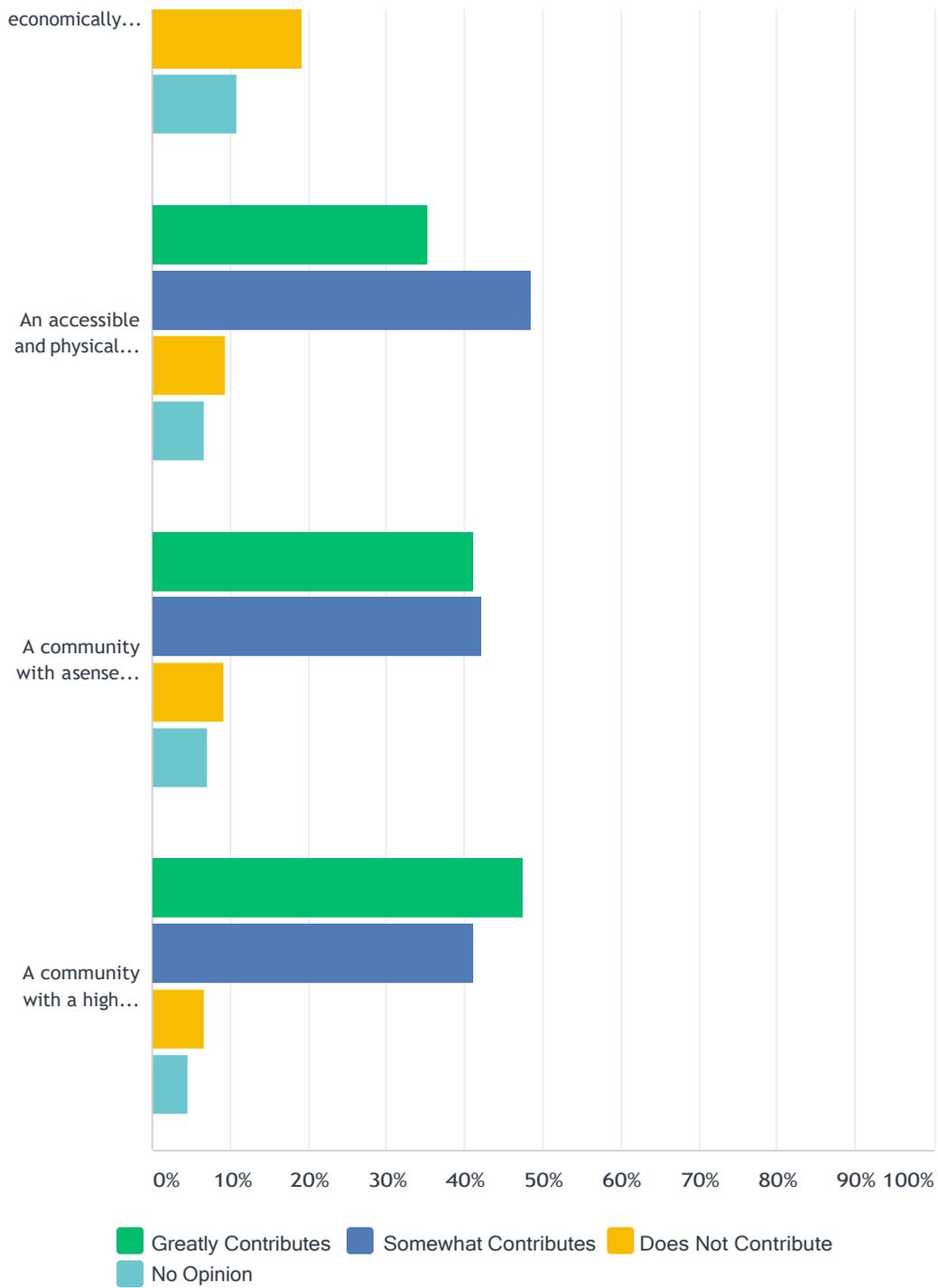


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	19.19%	38
Good	60.10%	119
Fair	19.70%	39
Poor	2.02%	4
Total Respondents: 198		

Q22 To what degree do you think Parks and Recreation contribute to Coopersville being....

Answered: 197 Skipped: 5





	GREATLY CONTRIBUTES	SOMEWHAT CONTRIBUTES	DOES NOT CONTRIBUTE	NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
A physical healthy community	47.96% 94	41.33% 81	8.16% 16	2.55% 5	196	1.65
An environmentally sustainable community	23.83% 46	50.78% 98	14.51% 28	10.88% 21	193	2.12
A socially thriving community	41.88% 80	46.60% 89	7.33% 14	4.19% 8	191	1.74
A learning environment	30.93% 60	47.42% 92	13.92% 27	7.73% 15	194	1.98
An economically thriving community	23.32% 45	46.63% 90	19.17% 37	10.88% 21	193	2.18
An accessible and physically connected community	35.42% 68	48.44% 93	9.38% 18	6.77% 13	192	1.88
A community with a sense of place	41.24% 80	42.27% 82	9.28% 18	7.22% 14	194	1.82
A community with a high quality of life	47.42% 92	41.24% 80	6.70% 13	4.64% 9	194	1.69

Q23 Thank you for your participation. If you have additional comments or suggestions please feel free to use the space below .

Answered: 43 Skipped: 159

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Indoor recreational facility would be fantastic for the community!	3/9/2020 12:32 AM
2	While we should support and encourage sports/recreation/parks, I'm a little cautious about spending too much money in this area as well. Every summer we advertise each week on Coopersville Informed and the library for kids to come out and play kickball but there is never more than a handful of kids--and mostly from only 1-2 families! ?	2/28/2020 11:20 AM
3	Seems like the cost for rec sports is high considering nothing is provided, coach volunteer their time.	2/27/2020 10:13 PM
4	As a volunteer coach through the years, I have thought it would benefit our players to have an indoor facility for basketball and baseball, even if it's just to be able to work on dribbling and shooting or batting cages. I've also had parents ask if there's anywhere they can take their child for basketball or open gym opportunities. It sorta stinks when the y is kind of the only option in fall and winter time and their membership fees aren't worth using their facility for just basketball and there are indoor batting cages in Muskegon but the hourly rate is ridiculous. Even Craig's cruisers cages you get ten balls for two bucks...well with younger kids, it can add up quickly. It could be a good opportunity to have an indoor facility as far as bringing jobs in and potentially making money for the department and just athletic growth for our players and being more competitive and competent players which means, hate to say this because my kids are younger, but it can help for when they play at high school level.	2/27/2020 3:24 PM
5	BMX track	2/19/2020 4:35 PM
6	There is a need for wheelchair accessible restroom facilities at the soccer fields by the middle school.	2/19/2020 2:27 PM
7	More programs offered would be great, at this point youth programs are very limited in options. Also, sign up for Parks and Recreation website is not very user friendly. Personal note, I also don't believe the recreation programs should have snacks offered at the end. When thinking of developing healthy habits in kids, we are 'rewarding' kids with a treat after one hour of activity. Most often is right after a dinner time or before lunch (on weekends). Most of the time, snacks that have been given are cookies or fruit snacks or chips along with a juice. I think it defeats the purpose of having a snack provided when kids are given the food as they are leaving to go home (and can get a snack there). Also, why is a snack necessary after kids have one hour of activity. Sorry, I just really feel this sends the wrong message to always associate activity with treats.	2/19/2020 1:42 PM
8	A community indoor swimming pool that the whole community can afford	2/19/2020 1:09 PM
9	.	2/19/2020 8:42 AM
10	Ever since we moved to Coopersville 13 years ago, our kids have flourished in sports because of Coops Rec. The volunteer coaches have been incredible! Matt has grown the program and it really is a well rounded and beneficial program to our community! We are very pleased with the program. The one thing that we feel would be a great and competitive addition to our city would be a sports complex of some sort. We realize the space at Coopersville Schools and availability of space to use is becoming more limited - maybe it is time that Coops Rec fundraises and reaches out to the community to help financially support our very own SportsPlex. Thank you to the city and program for providing a great program for our youth.	2/19/2020 7:48 AM
11	The Coopersville Parks and Recreation needs to have a few more staff members employed. Right now it seems to be a one man show and with the community growing as it is there needs to be better staffed. I work for a local City Government and we employee 7-8 employees to run the rec department. I always wonder where all the funds go that are being charged to participate in the rec activities. A break down would be nice to see.	2/19/2020 7:45 AM
12	We think Coopersville Rec is awesome.	2/19/2020 7:38 AM
13	Rock climbing walls, indoor sports plex area	2/19/2020 5:42 AM
14	while having "parks" are nice , there needs to be a use for said "park" like group gatherings , a place to practice sports or play as a group or family such as shooting sports or rollerblading or skate boarding areas, mountain bike course, equestrian trails, hiking trails that have loops or go around the city. A dog park would be great. so is so many choices that can be done, that would be used by all. the playgrounds need to be upgraded. Coopersville is so far behind other cities in the parks dept its sad, that most go to other towns to use their parks.	2/19/2020 4:13 AM

15	Love to have indoor pool or aquatic center for swimming. The community pool costs are too high for the short time you can use it	2/19/2020 2:25 AM
16	I have had my kids in sports in the past but it's really difficult not knowing what days/times practices will be until after we sign up as we both work and we're not available every evening of the week. I don't think we can take the chance this spring of signing them up and then the games/practices being on a night we are not available.	2/18/2020 10:59 PM
17	I think facilities are well maintained. It would be nice to have bathroom facilities, other than Porta potties, and at least another Porta potty at the soccer fields. Also it would be extremely helpful if the soccer fields were numbered/labeled	2/18/2020 10:06 PM
18	I personally would love to see Coopersville actually build a recreation community. Growing up we had a community recreation facility. A place for our youth to have somewhere to be active, thrive, socialize, learn, grow, learn teamwork and leadership. I see a great need for that in our community. I see and hear about our youth traveling to other communities for sports programs, swimming or water activities, weight rooms as well as other social gatherings. It would be nice and convenient to have these at local reach for our youth.	2/18/2020 9:46 PM
19	Thank you for asking for input. Thank you to all employees and volunteers who put in countless hours for the community!	2/18/2020 9:30 PM
20	I would like to see a facility that is for recreational use only, a facility that has basketball courts, gym, walking/running track, indoor pitching and hitting area for baseball, indoor soccer field all purpose field. I would also support an aquatic center. I would vote yes on a millage for both of these or a combination.	2/18/2020 9:27 PM
21	We often have to go outside of the community for winter activities. Lights on sledding hill would be nice. Rec sports in winter for young kids would be nice. Little ninja courses, tumbling, other physical activities like once a week would be great. We often have to go to neighboring districts to enjoy swimming or fitness. Spring Lake has a great aquatic center.	2/18/2020 9:22 PM
22	Indoor sports complex.	2/18/2020 9:11 PM
23	Just look at similar communities	2/18/2020 9:10 PM
24	We need a fitness building with a pool and take memberships from adults to attend. Don't charge students during school year.	2/18/2020 9:06 PM
25	We live in the City of Coopersville, but routinely travel to Allendale Community Park. It has walking trails, lots of play equipment, two splash pads, open space to fly kites and run around, pavillions, shaded benches and picnic tables, a small stage for concerts, bathrooms, and sports areas. We need something like that in Coopersville. Also, it would be WONDERFUL if we had an indoor walking space for the community to use in the winter months.	2/18/2020 6:39 PM
26	I think that the most impactful thing the Parks & Rec Dept can do for the City is help create a network of sidewalks and trails that connects ALL the residential areas to the activity areas. This will give residents of all ages and abilities a viable alternative to driving.	2/18/2020 6:38 PM
27	We need to keep our parks easier to use. This means lessening the restrictions on liability insurance.	2/18/2020 4:28 PM
28	More weather and temperature friendly playground equipment as well as modern technology-based education and activities.	2/18/2020 4:02 PM
29	Please let the local people who have been here for years know they are difficult to get to know. Many are not welcoming to new-comers.	2/18/2020 3:52 PM
30	Would like to see a long term vision of creating city rec indoor and outdoor facilities which the city owns to plan for future programming.	2/18/2020 3:26 PM
31	It would be nice to have a community pool of some sort. Seville is super pricey and doesn't have great hours for open swim. Also a stocked pond for kids to fish in for catch and release would be awesome. And a skate park similar to GH	2/18/2020 1:14 PM
32	Coopersville Rec Department is the finest department that I've ever experienced. Keep up the great work!	2/18/2020 12:59 PM
33	This town does not need more parks or factories. This town needs to improve upon the parks	2/18/2020 11:17 AM

we already have, i.e. vet's park looks unkempt and has space for better options and expansion/upgrades. This town could really use a Meijer! It would bring a ton of jobs and contribute greatly to our economy.

34	Na	2/18/2020 10:53 AM
35	There is only one city park with a playground and that is not centrally located. Main street park could use a playground and a splash pad that isn't down town main street. The splash pad on main street is a poor location for the, to close to traffic and not fully gated in. Besides that who wants kids on a splash pad down town, move it to a actual park.	2/18/2020 10:23 AM
36	Having a robust Parks and Rec program increases the overall quality and health of our community. I'm proud of how much has been accomplished and I'm looking forward to more improvements in the future. The department needs the City to provide the financial resources to Grow!!	2/18/2020 7:57 AM
37	Parks need more play equipment especially at veterans park it will encourage people to go to the parks more I drive over to Allendale community park cause it has a nice splash pad and play equipment and sand play area and nice bathroom to change cloths n drinking fountain n parking is good	2/18/2020 3:25 AM
38	Greatly concerned about the football injuries and children starting too young. I would like to see more activities like dance and gymnastics offered at a lower price. A nice multi use community center that has an open floor plan and a kitchen for many uses. Activities for children should be kept low costs so the poor can have their kids involved more. Kids who go to CAPS schools should be seen as residents in pricing even if they live out of district. Out of district families bring more money into the area by buying gas, food and shopping.	2/17/2020 10:28 PM
39	Disc golf course!!	2/17/2020 10:03 PM
40	Bring in events that make a financial impact on the community. These support local business and competition to the community.	2/17/2020 9:41 PM
41	We love Coopersville Rec programs and appreciate all the hard work put into them!	2/17/2020 9:33 PM
42	Work on finding a way for COOPERSVILLE to connect with other bike trails in our area	2/17/2020 9:33 PM
43	I admittedly do not use our parks and sports complexes as much as most, but my experiences with them and the upgrades I have seen over the years have been very pleasant. I think there is a strong sense of community associated with the programs and facilities and this survey is proof of that. I do know I greatly appreciate the effort that you all put in to making our community wonderful - and quaint. We can want it all and want big and the best, but that brings a lot of things with it. Thank you!	2/17/2020 9:23 PM

SECTION 6

RECREATION NEEDS
AND DEFICIENCIES



COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 6

NEEDS AND DEFICIENCIES

This section of the Plan identifies recreation deficiencies determined through a variety of means. Study methods include comparison to recreational standards for acreage and facilities, geographic distribution of existing facilities, direct input from City staff and representatives, and public input and participation. While each of these methods has its limitations, using a combination of methods will yield a more accurate assessment of recreational needs and deficiencies. The following is a brief description of each of the methods used.

RECREATION STANDARDS

While only a guide, recreation standards provide a benchmark for evaluating the relative adequacy or inadequacy of the City's recreation system. This Plan has used as a guide the 1983 Recreation, Park, and Open Space, Standards and Guidelines and 1995 Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines published by the National Recreation and Park Association.

Typical recreation standards establish a certain number of activity-specific recreational facilities per 1,000 of population (e.g. 1 tennis court per 2,000 persons). Other standards establish a certain number of acres per 1,000 of population for different types of park facilities, such as neighborhood, community and regional parks. These standards are adapted to reflect the City's character and compared with the City's existing and projected population. This Plan will combine both approaches to ascertain deficiencies in recreational facilities and acreage. The 2020 U.S. Census Bureau population estimate was used for the purposes of this study.

There are two basic types of recreational experiences: "active" and "passive." "Active" recreation requires space and facilities capable of accommodating exertive activities. Such facilities include: sports fields, play apparatus areas, open areas, special facilities, such as pools and court areas, and areas for organized activities. On the other hand, "passive" recreation requires little more than space and furniture for quiet, non-exertive activities for limited numbers of users. Recreation areas must provide for both types of use and preferably include a





variety of opportunities for each to respond adequately to a wide range of interests and age groups.

Parks are generally classified by purpose and area per population served. They range in type from mini-playlots and green areas to large regional and national parks.

The categories used for this plan will be as follows:

1. Neighborhood Parks and Schools*
2. Community Parks
3. Natural Resource Areas
4. Trails

RECREATION STANDARDS FOR ACREAGE

1. Neighborhood Parks and Schools

Description - Neighborhood parks serve individual neighborhood populations as determined by the distance that can easily be traveled by local users for relatively short periods of recreation. Facilities provided in these parks are generally active in nature and include multipurpose open play areas for pick-up games, play apparatus, court areas, landscaping, site furnishings and possibly a shelter. Special areas for bike riding or specific court games may also be provided. Activities for all seasons should also be included.

Service Areas - The area served by neighborhood parks is generally considered to be a one quarter (1/4) mile to one half (1/2) mile radius in size and should be uninterrupted by non- residential roads or other physical barriers.

Neighborhood Park Acreage Standards - Nationally accepted standards for neighborhood parks recommend one of two (1-2) acres per 1,000 of population with five (5) acres as a minimum size and five to ten (5-10) acres optimal. It is recommended that the minimum of two (2) acres per 1,000 population be used as a guide for site selection.





It is also recommended that neighborhood facilities be combined with elementary schools. In such cases, the minimum site size should be five to seven (5-7) acres.

**Note that the City of Coopersville also has several pocket parks ranging from .08 to .2 acres and they will be included in this category as well*

Existing Recreation Acreage

The City of Coopersville currently has (6) parks that would fit into the neighborhood park definition.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Existing Site Acreage</u>
DDA Pavilion / Walk Through Park	0.20
Perennial Park	0.19
Pocket Park	0.10
Library Park	0.08
Grove Street Park / Main Street Park	8.80
Total	9.37

Needs and Deficiencies: The table below compares the 2020 City population to the recreation standard of two (2) acres per 1,000 persons.

<u>2020 Population</u>	<u>Neighborhood Rec. Acreage Required</u>	<u>Neighborhood Rec. Acreage Available</u>	<u>Deficiency/ Surplus</u>
4,828	8.74	9.37	0.63 +

For the 2020 population, there is an excess of .63 acres for neighborhood recreation in accordance with the recreational standards.

The use of the acreage standard must be coupled with a review of the location and accessibility of the existing recreation areas. Additionally, the recreational acreage should be accessible on foot without having to cross busy streets or negotiate physical barriers.





Most of the City is adequately served by neighborhood parks. If the population increases, additional parks should be developed near the residential areas. The west side of the City on both sides of main street, there would appear to be a deficiency in neighborhood parks.

2. Community Parks

Description - Community-wide parks provide a range of facilities and areas capable of supporting organized community participation programs that would not be appropriate in neighborhood parks because of their average size or traffic volume generated. Facilities should be centrally located, diverse enough to accommodate all age groups for both active and passive experiences and organized so that compatible uses relate to one another. Adequate parking and vehicular circulation are also important, since park users will generally arrive at these parks by vehicle. Lighted use areas significantly increase the recreational value of parks of this type. Typical facilities recommended for community parks include ball fields, open use areas, tennis courts, picnic areas, play apparatus areas, restrooms and shelters. Additional special facilities could include band shells, amphitheaters, swimming and wading pools, community-meeting buildings, skating facilities, bicycle courses and nature study areas.

As with neighborhood parks, it is often beneficial to develop community parks in conjunction with junior or senior high schools where practical because of the athletic fields and courts potentially available for public use. This arrangement assures the maximum level of use as well as the most practical expenditure of development funds.

Service Area - The area served by community-wide parks varies significantly from one municipality to another because of the distribution of population and related factors. However, a community park usually serves two or more neighborhoods and ½ to 3 mile distance.

Community Park Acreage Standards – The size of a community park varies according to the desired uses but is usually between 30 and 50 acres. It is recommended that a range of 6.25 to 10 acres per 1,000 population be used as a standard basis for development.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Existing Site Acreage</u>
Community Park	9.0
Veterans Park	12.2
Total	21.2 acres





Existing Community Recreation Acreage – The City of Coopersville has two (2) facilities which would fall within the City-Wide Community Park classification. Community Park, although only 9 acres, is considered a City-Wide Community Park because of its location within the Coopersville Area Public Schools Site. Veterans Park City’s largest Community Park, providing a range of activities.

Importantly, the City has the elementary schools, middle school and high school on one site which provides neighborhood recreational areas and opportunities.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Recreation*</u>
Coopersville Area Public Schools	232.78	93 Acres

*based on visual analysis and measurement of open space and site facilities on each school property that can be considered usable for community recreational purposes. Community Park is included in the Community Park Section. The land located to the northern section of the site is included as Natural Resources/ Open Space.

Needs and Deficiencies: The following table compares the 2020 City population to the recreation standard of eight (8) acres per 1,000 persons.

<u>2020 Population</u>	<u>Neighborhood Rec. Acreage Required</u>	<u>Neighborhood Rec. Acreage Available</u>	<u>Deficiency/ Surplus</u>
4,828	48.2	114.2	66 Surplus

The City-Wide Community Park developed acreage of 114.2 acres is a surplus of 66 acres from the considered national standard for a typical community of this size based upon 2020 population. This surplus is based upon the recreational opportunities at the Coopersville Area Public Schools Site.

When considering the range of facilities offered, only Veterans provides the true range of activities typical of a community park. However, this park has many components that require upgrades and the accessibility of the park is negligible.





3. Natural Resource Areas/Open Space

Description - Natural Resource Areas are lands set aside for preservation of significant natural resources, remnant landscapes, open space and visual/aesthetic buffering. These sites are typically unsuitable for development but offer natural resource potential and can support recreational activities at a level that preserves the integrity of the natural resource. The location and size of these parks are largely governed by availability.

Existing Natural Resource Area Acreage – There northern part of the Coopersville Area Public Schools Site is currently undeveloped. It is a total of 82 Acres. The City also owns portions of land along the Deer Creek South of Main Street that total 12.73 Acres.

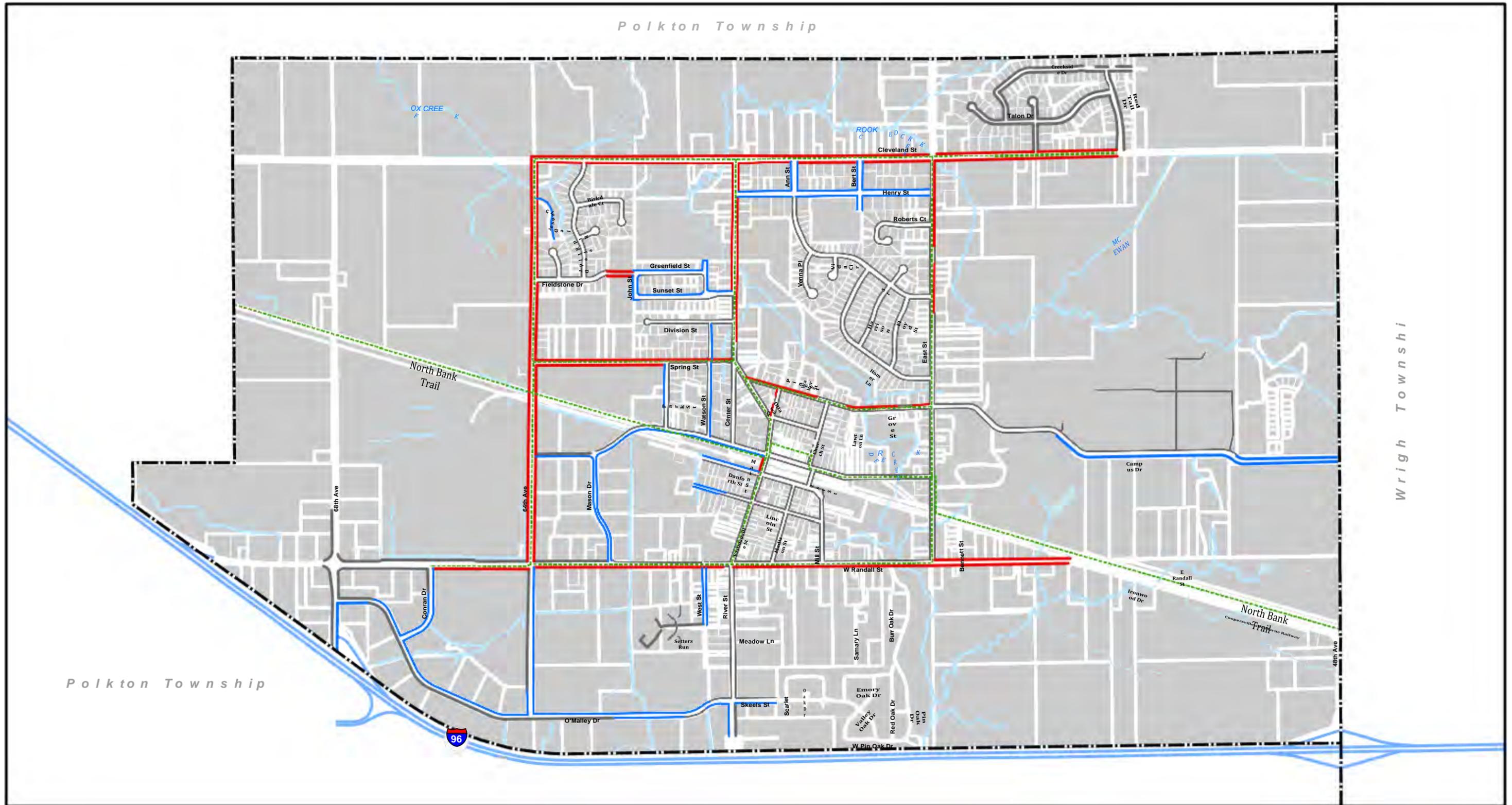
Needs and Deficiencies - There are no recognized acreage standards for natural resource areas and the City is fortunate to have a significant amount of natural resource acreage within the city limits.

4. Trails

Description – There are a number of different types of trails that can provide both transportation and recreation opportunities. Trails may be located within parks, on an independent right-of-way, or within the road right-of-way. Connector Trails are defined as “multi-purpose trails that emphasize safe travel for pedestrians to and from parks and around the Community” (J.D. Mertes and J.R. Hall, Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines, 1995). These trails are generally located within the road right-of-way and can be divided into two types. Type I has separate paths for different user types, such as pedestrians and bicyclists. Type II has mixed uses and is suited to lighter use patterns.

Needs and Deficiencies - There have been no deficiencies determined for this category and needs vary depending on the community.





Map 3 Future Non-Motorized Transportation

City of Coopersville, MI

April 6, 2017

Legend

- - - Priority Bike Routes
- 1st Priority Sidewalks or Multi Use Paths
- 2nd Priority Sidewalks
- Existing Sidewalk

- Water Bodies
- Surrounding Municipalities

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Base Map Source: Ottawa County, 2016
Michigan Center for Geographic Information, Version 16a.



RECREATION STANDARDS FOR ACTIVITIES/FACILITIES

A comparison of activity-specific recreational facilities within the City of Coopersville to recreation standards indicates that the City contains many of the recreational facilities desirable for the current population. The only deficiency identified is for picnic shelters.

The following table compares the recommended number of facilities per population for the City of Coopersville with the existing facilities available and illustrates any current or projected deficiencies.

Picnic shelters show the biggest need, with only three (3) of the recommended five (5) provided in the City, two (2) of which are at school sites. Additional picnic shelters should be provided at both school parks and City recreation properties to accommodate a range of community uses.

While standards for comparison address the quantity of facilities desirable for a particular number of persons, they do not address quality or location concerns. Consequently, any community that has the appropriate numbers of facilities may not have facilities of a useful or desirable quality or may not have facilities located where they would be most accessible to residents.

RECREATION FACILITIES SUMMARY

The City of Coopersville takes pride in its park and recreation facilities and demonstrates good stewardship of its natural resources. While substantial improvements have been achieved over the last 10 years, a variety of improvements are recommended to fully utilize the City's recreational land and improve accessibility for all users.



**2025 RECREATION STANDARDS AND DEFICIENCIES
CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
Estimated 2020 Population: 4,828**

FACILITY	STANDARD	RECOMMENDED FACILITIES	EXISTING* FACILITIES	FACILITY DEFICIENCIES
Softball	1:5,000	2	5	OK
Baseball	1:5,000	2	4	OK
Soccer	1:10,000	1	6	OK
Basketball (outdoor)	1:5,000	2	3 (Full) 7 (Half)	OK
Football	1:20,000	1	1	OK
Tennis/Pickleball	1:2,000	5	12 Courts (All Tennis)	OK
Playground Equipment	1:3,000	4	4 (Areas)	OK
Volleyball	1:5,000	2	3	OK
Running Track	1:20,000	1	1	OK
Swimming Pool (Indoor)	1:20,000	1	0	-1
Picnic Shelters	1:2,000	5	3	-2
Mixed Use Field	As available	--	5	OK
Sledding Area	Provide as Available	--	1	OK
Trails	1 system per region	--	--	NA

*as of 2025 total existing facilities at City and School properties within the City.

SECTION 7

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES



COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 7

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

In order to stay on a logical, programmed course of action during the next five years, The City of Coopersville has developed the following goals and objectives. These goals and objectives are based upon the recreation inventory and needs assessment, and direct input from citizens, City officials and staff. The goals are long-range in nature and intended to be broad in scope and flexible enough to accommodate future change. The objectives are short-range in nature and intended to direct specific program and development decisions to be made in the next five years. Goals and objectives are meant to guide the intent of the actions to be taken but be flexible enough to reflect changing attitudes and opportunities that may present themselves for the City of Coopersville to be responsive to its citizens.

Goal No. 1

Strive towards providing universal accessibility to recreational facilities and institute a transition plan to update existing amenities to meet or exceed barrier-free accessibility standards.

Objectives

- Bring all developed park properties in line with ADA guidelines by implementing improvements as identified in the accessibility assessment for each facility
- Design park improvements using the principals of universal accessibility
- Renovate or replace existing parks and playgrounds to keep them in line with current safety and accessibility standards

Goal No. 2

Strive to connect recreational facilities to schools, residential areas and to one another with non-motorized trails.

Objectives

- Maintain and continue to expand existing bike path and sidewalk system
- Construct additional non-motorized trail segments from current system to all existing facilities and future acquisitions



Objectives Cont'd

- Work with Kent and Ottawa County and neighboring townships to link walkways and trails together

Goal No. 3

Acquire property as it becomes available to ensure recreational opportunities keep pace with the needs of the community.

Objectives

- Target location specific acquisition of land to ensure a good geographical distribution of recreation facilities
- Acquire land adjacent to existing park property to further increase the recreational facilities offered
- Acquire land adjacent to Deer Creek
- Acquire land to provide North Bank Trail connects

Goal No. 4

Provide a variety of year-round recreational facilities that will meet the present and future needs of all age groups and abilities.

Objectives

- Add area to Community or Grove/Main Street Park to expand summer water-based recreation opportunities

Goal No. 5

Promote and maintain strong working relationships based on coordination and support with the schools, surrounding communities and bodies of government, and public and private organizations

Objectives

- Work with, encourage and support all community, school system and municipal groups, organizations and agencies to promote and expand recreational opportunities and programs for all age groups in all areas of the City of Coopersville in an efficient and coordinated manner





Objectives Cont'd

- Mutually utilize recreation facilities and resources to minimize deficiencies
- Encourage the expansion of private recreational development to supplement public development programs

SECTION 8

**ACTION PROGRAM
AND CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE**



COOPERSVILLE COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 8

ACTION PROGRAM

The Action Program and Capital Improvement Schedule for the City of Coopersville Community Park and Recreation Plan states the proposed course of development or improvement that will be taken over the next five years. The Goals and Objectives, from the previous section, serve as guidelines for the development of the Action Program. The Capital Improvement Schedule which follows will focus on the needs identified in the Action Program and will project potential expenditures for the five-year action period on a year-by-year basis. The five-year period will begin in 2026 and extend through 2030. This time period will not be sufficient to accomplish all of the goals and objectives but begins to prioritize those projects that may be achievable within the initial five years.

The Action Program focuses on reduction of deficiencies and expansion and improvements of facilities in a manner that not only meets current needs, but also diversifies the type and quality of recreational opportunities within the City. The Community Park and Recreation Plan identifies these needs in general terms in the Recreation Needs and Deficiencies section; the Action Plan describes specific actions to be taken to address these needs; and the Capital Improvement Schedule specifically itemizes those projects which will be most feasible during the next five years. The proposed schedule will allow for flexibility as funds become available and as opportunities are presented.

The following actions are comprehensive and will require more than five years to complete.

Community Park:

The schools maintain this park. Improvements were made recently, but there is a strong desire to provide a connection to the North Bank Trail.



DDA Pavilion:

The park needs a Master Plan to aide in future development improvements. The pavilion itself needs some improvements, but circulation to and from the pavilion from the adjacent park and barrier free parking spaces should be improvement. There is a desire to make a connection from the pavilion to the North Bank Trail.

Grove Street Park:

The park needs a Master Plan to aide in future development improvements. Future improvements may include a playground, shelter, repair the parking lot, add pickle ball courts, accessible trails, and a concrete sidewalk to existing amenities.

Library Park:

Replace the existing aging playground. Wear Mats under the swing, merry go all and slides and a barrier free access mat will ensure complete ADA Accessibility.

Main Street Park:

The park needs a Master Plan to aide in future development improvements. Future improvements may include a shelter, accessible trails, and a concrete sidewalk to existing amenities.

Perennial Park:

This park is in good condition, but the bricks should be leveled, and a barrier free parking space should be striped in the street

Pocket Park:

This park was recently completed and needs no improvements at this time.

Veterans Park:

A master plan to work on the overall circulation and barrier free access is needed. The City will consider acquiring the properties adjacent to the park. Improvements may include a splash pad, new playground, and new restroom/concession building. There is also a need for more sports field space. Purchase neighboring property to expand the park.





ACTION PROGRAM AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE

The following projects have been identified for improvements and will occur as funds and millage allow.

Project	City	Other Funds*	Total Project Costs	Suggested Year
<u>Grove Street</u> Master Plan/Grant Application Parking Lot	X			Continuous
<u>Main Street Park</u> Master Plan/Grant Application	X			Continuous
<u>Grove Street</u> Phase I Improvements will include a New Playground, Accessible Trails, Shelter, and Accessibility to Existing Park Amenities	X	Grants	\$250,000 to \$300,000	2030
<u>Library Park</u> Add wear Mats and Accessibility Ramp, Replace Playground Equip	X	Grants	\$25,000	2027
<u>DDA Pavilion</u> Improvements to Include Renovation of the Pavilion, Additional Amenities, a Pedestrian Island, a Connection to Walk Through Park, and a Connection to North Park Trail	X	DDA Grants	\$150,000 to \$250,000	2028





Project	City	Other Funds*	Total Project Costs	Suggested Year
<u>Veterans Park</u> Master Plan/Grant Applications	X	DDA		Continuous
<u>Veterans Park</u> Improvements to include Drainage Improvements, Playgrounds, Sports Fields, Concession/Restroom Building, Shade Shelter, Purchase Neighboring Property	X	DDA Grants	\$500,000 to \$750,000	Continuous
<u>Main Street Park</u> Phase I Improvements will include a Shelter, Boardwalks and River Access, and a Concrete Sidewalk to Existing Amenities	X	Grants	\$200,000 to \$350,000	Continuous
<u>Community Park</u> Connection to the North Bank Trail	X	CAPS Grants	TBD	2027/2028
<u>Dog Park</u> Master Plan	X	DDA Grants	TBD	2029
<u>Dog Park</u> Improvements at 368 East Street property to include Fencing, Water, Lighting, Shade and Pathway	X	Grants	TBD	2029
<u>Property Acquisition</u> Acquisition of Additional Park Property as it Becomes Available	X	DDA Grants	TBD	Continuous

*Other funds include Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF), Passport to Recreation; Michigan Land and Water Conservation Fund; other State or Federal funding sources; Foundation Grants; Private Contributions; WMMBA; School District; and others. Maximum available funds from MNRTF currently \$300,000 per project.



Coopersville High School



Coopersville Public Schools Fields



Coopersville Middle School



COOPERSVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM



Coopersville Athletic Fields



Coopersville East Elementary School



Coopersville South Elementary School



Coopersville South Elementary Fields



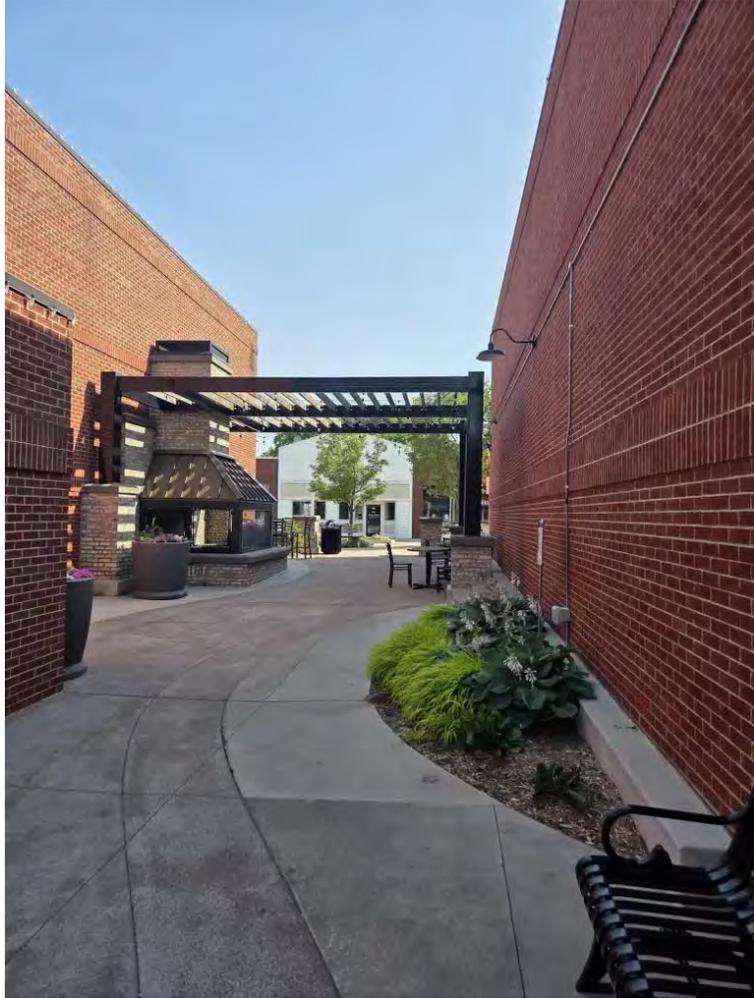
COOPERSVILLE SOUTH ELEMENTARY GYM



Coopersville Community Park



Walk Through Park & Pavilion



Grove Street Park



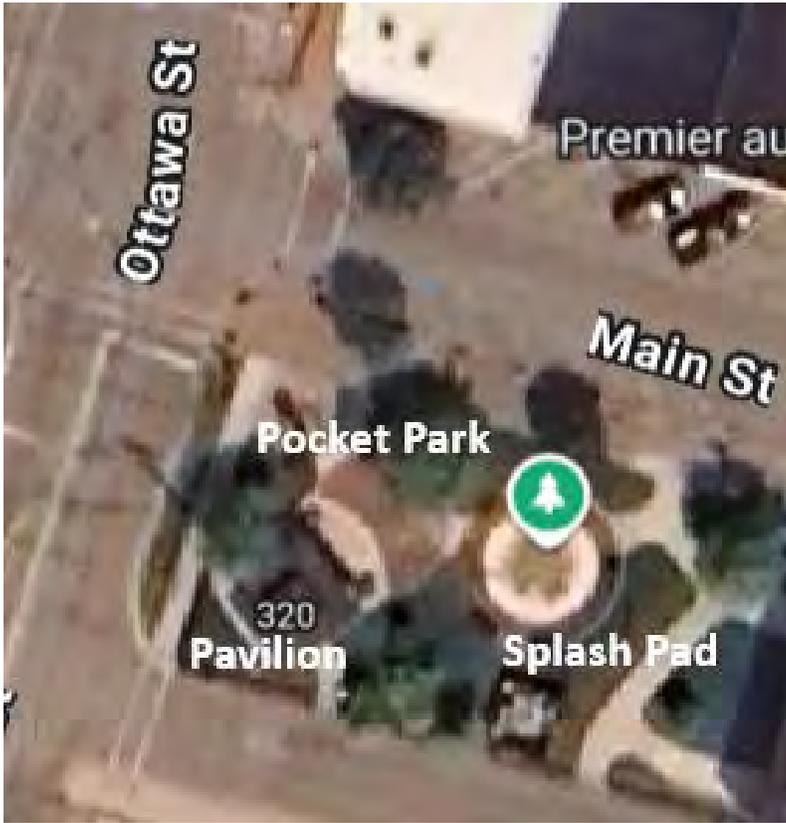
Main Street Park



Perennial Park



Pocket Park



Veteran's Park





SECTION 9

LOCAL ADOPTION AND
CERTIFICATION PLAN



COOPERSVILLE
COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN
SECTION 9
LOCAL ADOPTION AND CERTIFICATION PLAN



**COMMUNITY PARK, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND GREENWAY PLAN
CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST**



COMMUNITY PARK, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND GREENWAY PLAN CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

By Authority of Parts 19, 703 and 716 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, as amended, submission of this information is required for eligibility to apply for grants

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete, obtain certification signatures and submit this checklist with a locally adopted recreation plan.

All recreation plans are required to meet the content and local approval standards listed in this checklist and as outlined in the *Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plans* provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). To be eligible for grant consideration, plans must be submitted to the DNR prior to the grant application deadline **with** a completed checklist that has been signed by an authorized official(s) of the local unit of government(s) submitting the plan.

PLAN INFORMATION

Name of Plan: <i>City of Coopersville 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan</i>		
List the community names (including school districts) covered by the plan	County	Month and year plan adopted by the community's governing body
<i>Coopersville</i>	<i>Ottawa</i>	<i>December 2025</i>

PLAN CONTENT

INSTRUCTIONS: Please check each box to certify that the listed information is included in the final plan.

1. COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

2. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

Roles of Commission(s) or Advisory Board(s)

Department, Authority and/or Staff Description and Organizational Chart

Annual and Projected Budgets for Operations, Maintenance, Capital Improvements and Recreation

Programming

Current Funding Sources

Role of Volunteers

Relationship(s) with School Districts, Other Public Agencies or Private Organizations

Regional Authorities or Trailway Commissions Only

Description of the Relationship between the Authority or Commission and the Recreation Departments of

Participating Communities

Articles of Incorporation

3. RECREATION INVENTORY

Description of Methods Used to Conduct the Inventory

Inventory of all Community Owned Parks and Recreation Facilities

Location Maps (site development plans recommended but not required)

Accessibility Assessment

Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities

4. RESOURCE INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)

5. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANNING PROCESS

6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

Description of the Method(s) Used to Solicit Public Input Before or During Preparation of the Plan, Including a Copy of the Survey or Meeting Agenda and a Summary of the Responses Received

Copy of the Notice of the Availability of the Draft Plan for Public Review and Comment

Date of the Notice 10/09/25

Type of Notice Facebook & Website

Plan Location Website

Duration of Draft Plan Public Review Period (Must be at Least 30 Days) 60 days

Copy of the Notice for the Public Meeting Held after the One Month Public Review Period and Before the Plan's Adoption by the Governing Body(ies)

Date of Notice 11/11/25

Name of Newspaper The Coopersville Observer

Date of Meeting 12/8/25

Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting

7. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

8. ACTION PROGRAM

PLAN ADOPTION DOCUMENTATION

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Items 1, 3 and 4 below are **required** and must be included in the plan.

APPROVAL DOCUMENTATION: For multi-jurisdictional plans, **each** local unit of government must pass a resolution adopting the plan. Prepare and attach a separate page for each unit of government included in the plan.

1. Official resolution of adoption by the governing body dated: December 8, 2025

2. Official resolution of the City of Coopersville Commission or Board, recommending adoption of the plan by the governing body, dated: 12/8/25

3. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to County Planning Agency dated: 01/28/25 Not Approved by DNR

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OVERALL CERTIFICATION

NOTE: For multi-jurisdictional plans, Overall Certification must include the signature of each local unit of government. Prepare and attach a separate signature page for each unit of government included in the plan.

I hereby certify that the recreation plan for

City of Coopersville (Local Unit of Government) includes the required content, as indicated above and as set forth by the DNR.

Cherise Luce Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government Date 12/8/25

This completed checklist must be signed and submitted with a locally adopted recreation plan to:

**GRANTS MANAGEMENT
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
RESOURCES
PO BOX 30425
LANSING, MI 48909-7925**

DNR USE ONLY - APPROVAL

The recreation plan is approved by the DNR and the community (ies) covered by the plan, as listed on page 1 of this checklist is/are eligible to apply for recreation grants through

By: _____ Date _____
Grants Management _____ Date _____



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Date of Notice 01/26/2026

Name of Newspaper The Coopersville Observer

Date of Meeting 3/9/2026

Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting

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City of Coopersville
(Local Unit of Government)
above and as set forth by the DNR.

includes the required content, as indicated

[Signature]
Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government Date 3/09/2026

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POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT



PUBLIC OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT
POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT

This information required under authority of Part 19, PA 451 of 1994, as amended;
the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, 78 Stat. 897 (1964); and Part 715, of PA 451 of 1994, as amended.

GRANT TYPE: (Please select one) [] Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund [] Clean Michigan Initiative
[X] Land and Water Conservation Fund [] Recreation Passport [] Bond Fund

GRANTEE:
City of Coopersville

PROJECT NUMBER: 26-001574 PROJECT TYPE: Development

PROJECT TITLE:
Multi-Use Skating Court Development

PROJECT SCOPE:
Multi-Use Skating Park

TO BE COMPLETED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY (GRANTEE)

Table with 3 columns: Name of Agency (Grantee), Contact Person, Title, Address, Telephone, City, State, ZIP, Email. Row 1: City of Coopersville, Dennis Luce, City Manager, 289 Danforth Street, (616) 997 - 9731, Coopersville, MI 49404, dluce@cityofcoopersville.com

SITE DEVELOPMENT

Any change(s) in the facility type, site layout, or recreation activities provided? [X] Yes [] No
If yes, please describe change(s).
The multi-use skating park was removed after receiving permission from the DNR. The site was converted into a parking lot for other recreational activities.

Has any portion of the project site been converted to a use other than outdoor recreation? If yes, please describe what portion and describe use. (This would include cell towers and any non-recreation buildings.) [] Yes [X] No

Are any of the facilities obsolete? If yes, please explain. [] Yes [X] No
Shelter is no longer on the site, tennis has been converted to parking

SITE QUALITY

Is there a park entry sign which identifies the property or facility as a public recreation area? [X] Yes [] No
If yes, please provide a photograph of the sign. If no, please explain.

Are the facilities and the site being properly maintained? If no, please explain. [X] Yes [] No

Is vandalism a problem at this site? If yes, explain the measures being taken to prevent or minimize vandalism. [] Yes [X] No

POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONT'D

Is maintenance scheduled on a regular basis? If yes, give schedule. If no, please explain. Yes No
regular maintenance if provided by the city

GENERAL

Is a Program Recognition plaque permanently displayed at the site? If yes, please provide a photograph. (Not required for Bond Fund Grants) Yes No N/A

Is any segment of the general public restricted from using the site or facilities? (i.e. resident only, league only, boaters only, etc.) If yes, please explain. Yes No

Is a fee charged for use of the site or facilities? If yes, please provide fee structure. Yes No

What are the hours and seasons for availability of the site?

Dawn to dusk year round

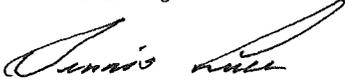
COMMENTS (ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)



POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONTINUED

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that I am duly elected, appointed and/or authorized by the Grantee named above and that the information and answers provided herein are true and accurate to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief.

Please print Dennis Luce	Grantee Authorized Signature 	Date 12/09/2025
Please print Kimberly Borgman	Witness Signature 	Date 12/09/2025

Send completed report to: **POST COMPLETION GRANT INSPECTION REPORTS
GRANTS MANAGEMENT
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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GRANTEE:
City of Coopersville - Ottawa County

PROJECT NUMBER: 26-00351 PROJECT TYPE: Development

PROJECT TITLE:
Deer Creek Park

PROJECT SCOPE:
Develop 17 acres to include 2 tennis courts, 1 ball diamond, picnic area, parking lot

TO BE COMPLETED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY (GRANTEE)

Name of Agency (Grantee) City of Coopersville Contact Person Dennis Luce Title City Manager

Address 289 Danforth Street Telephone (616) 997 - 9731

City, State, ZIP Coopersville, MI 49404 Email dluce@cityofcoopersville.com

SITE DEVELOPMENT

Any change(s) in the facility type, site layout, or recreation activities provided? [X]Yes [X]No
If yes, please describe change(s). See attached plan

Has any portion of the project site been converted to a use other than outdoor recreation? If yes, please describe what portion and describe use. (This would include cell towers and any non-recreation buildings.) []Yes [X]No

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POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONT'D

Is maintenance scheduled on a regular basis? If yes, give schedule. If no, please explain. Yes No
City of Coopersville has a regular maintenance staff

GENERAL

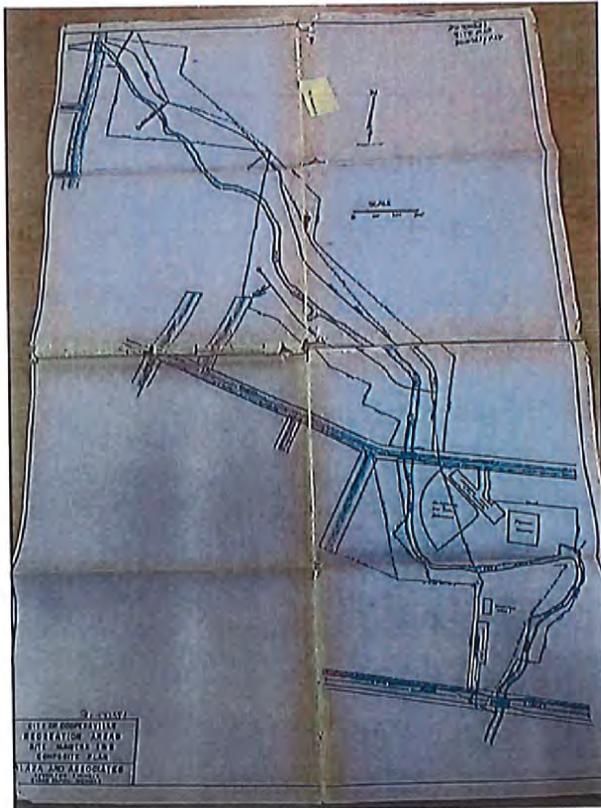
Is a Program Recognition plaque permanently displayed at the site? If yes, please provide a photograph. (Not required for Bond Fund Grants) Yes No N/A

Is any segment of the general public restricted from using the site or facilities? (i.e. resident only, league only, boaters only, etc.) If yes, please explain. Yes No

Is a fee charged for use of the site or facilities? If yes, please provide fee structure. Yes No

What are the hours and seasons for availability of the site?
Dawn to dusk. Some parking is plowed.

COMMENTS (ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)

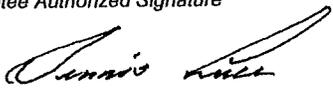




POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONTINUED

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that I am duly elected, appointed and/or authorized by the Grantee named above and that the information and answers provided herein are true and accurate to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief.

Please print Dennis Luce	Grantee Authorized Signature 	Date 12/09/2025 <i>DL updated 2/4/2026</i>
Please print Kimberly Borgman	Witness Signature 	Date 12/09/2025 <i>KB Updated 2/4/26</i>

Send completed report to:

**POST COMPLETION GRANT INSPECTION REPORTS
GRANTS MANAGEMENT
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
PO BOX 30425
LANSING MI 48909-7925**

Added picture of LWCF project + Thanks!



COUNCIL MINUTES AND PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Petitions and Communications

Discussion/Action-Request to Rezone 151 N 68th Avenue from I-1 Light Industrial to I-2 Heavy Industrial

(PPN: 70-05-22-300-040)

Planning Director Victor Vuong stated that MacAllister Machinery is requesting to rezone the property from I-1 Light Industrial to I-2 Heavy Industrial. The Planning Commission is recommending approval by City Council after the Public Hearing was held on September 15, 2025, and the Planning Commission Members voted unanimously to approve the rezone and recommend approval by the City Council.

Council Member Gerard asked if the adjacent homeowner was satisfied with the site plan and the conditions set forth for MacAllister Machinery? Planning Director Victor Vuong stated that “yes” the property owner was satisfied with the conditions.

Motion by Council Member Bowman with second by Council Member Degeus to approve the Rezoning of 151 N. 68th Avenue, PPN: 70-05-22-300-040 from I-1 Light Industrial to I-2 Heavy Industrial. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 094)

Discussion/Action – SERFM Emergency Storage Pond Maintenance and Operations Agreement

City Manager Dennis Luce stated that the city will maintain the lawn, weeds, etc., and Muskegon County will handle all the capital projects. Mr. Luce stated that they are currently looking at options for storm water.

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Bowman to approve the SERFM Emergency Storage Pond Maintenance and Operations Agreement. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 095)

Discussion/Action – Muskegon County and City of Coopersville Lease Agreement for Emergency Storage Ponds

City Manager Dennis Luce stated that Muskegon County will be performing some upgrades to the banks and areas surrounding the ponds.

Motion by Council Member Bowman with second by Council Member Poelma to approve the Muskegon County and City of Coopersville Lease Agreement for Emergency Storage Ponds. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 096)

Discussion/Action – Repairs to City Hall Dormers, Totaling \$28,918.00

City Manager Dennis Luce informed the Council that the dormers on the front of City Hall are deteriorating and need to be repaired before the roof gets redone. The cost to frame it in and install siding was not much less than repairing the block work and they did not feel it would look right.

Motion by Council Member Degeus with second by Council Member Weise to approve the quote from River Valley Stone Works totaling \$28,918.00. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 097)

Discussion/Action – Consideration for Sewer Bond Payoff, Totaling \$2,201,000

Motion by Council Member Gerard with second by Council Member Bowman to pay-off the Sewer Bond totaling \$2,201,000. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 098)

Discussion – Water Meter Replacement Project

The city currently provides 1,439 water services. For more than ten years, staff has been transitioning from older Sensus touchpad meters to new Metron-Farnier radio-read meters. These new meters improve efficiency and accuracy, and provide enhanced data for both billing and system protection.

At present, approximately 16 old Sensus meters remain in service, and they are still reliant on obsolete reading technology. After January 1st, the City’s existing Sensus meter reading system will no longer function without purchasing new equipment. Replacement equipment and an annual maintenance fee would cost \$5,889. The annual maintenance fee will cost \$3,700 per year.

Petitions and Communications continued
Discussion – Water Meter Replacement Project

Meter Reading Comparison

Old Sensus Meters:

- Require two DPW staff 3–5 days per cycle to manually read.
- More susceptible to errors and require billing clerk adjustments.
- Limited diagnostic ability to detect leaks and requires physical inspection.
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In the past, it would take two staff members from the Department of Public Works (DPU) 3-5 days to read the old touchpad Sensus Water Meters. This process requires the DPU staff to walk (rain, snow, or shine) from one home/building to the next and make physical contact between the meter reader and the touchpad. Once the data was gathered, the billing clerk had to manually enter or adjust a significant amount of billing information into the system.

Metron-Farnier Meters:

Radio-read technology allows efficient data collection via drive-by routes.

- Provides 90-day data logs for leak detection and unusual usage patterns.
- Includes automated alerts such as High Consumption and Backflow warnings which are important factors for protecting the City's water system.
- Complies fully with FCC standards for radio frequency (RF) exposure. RF emissions are lower than common household devices such as Wi-Fi routers, microwaves, and baby monitors.

Another useful feature of the Metron meters is that during the reading cycle, staff can set up alarms that flag meters for possible concerning issues detected from the read. Some of these flags are "High Consumption" and "Backflow."

Some residents have expressed concern regarding RF emissions from smart meters. Research shows RF levels from smart meters are safe, and many municipalities have successfully deployed these systems. To address concerns, some Michigan communities have created opt-out programs allowing residents to retain a non-radio meter at an additional cost.

The Metron-Farnier metering technology fully complies with the FCC standards and guidelines for environmental exposure to RF, which have been in place since 1985. In 1996, the FCC implemented recommendations from two expert organizations, the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), in respect to the permissible RF exposure limits for field strength and power density for transmitters. The FCC also adopted the specific absorption rate (SAR) limits for human exposure to RF emissions from devices operating within close proximity to the body as specified within the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). The attached chart (figure 1) identifies the Types of Radiation in the Electromagnetic Spectrum.

(Source: Richard Tell Associates, Inc)

Radio waves are used extensively for communications and transmitting information wirelessly. Radio waves surround us and are used in everyday life. Generally speaking, there are a number of existing everyday environmental sources that produce much stronger RF fields than those of a smart metering system. RF energy produced by smart meters is not harmful and is comparable to cellular phone devices, wireless baby monitors, television broadcasts, garage door openers, microwave ovens, cordless home phones, and Wi-Fi networks.

Very few communities offer an Opt-Out Program. The fees vary, with initial setup costs and ongoing monthly surcharges for manual readings.

Petitions and Communications continued

Discussion – Water Meter Replacement Project continued

Council Member Weise presented information on the research he performed on the radio wave out put on the Metron-Farnier meters, through the Vermont Health Study.

Council Member Wesie stated that the Metron-Farnier meters function once per day through Verizon waves and the output is fifty (50) to ninety (90) microwatts per day if touching the meter. Cell phones put out five-hundred micro-watts if held to your ear. Cell phones, laptops, and Wi-Fi are putting out way more radiation than a meter, and everyone, should be required to change to the Metron-Farnier meters.

Council Member Poelma asked if the residents with the old Sensus meters are aware of the costs that will be incurred by them, should they be allowed to opt out of the Metron-Farnier meters?

Council Member Bowman asked if this would or could be a two-part (2) process?

City Manager Dennis Luce stated that Staff is seeking direction from Council on an ordinance amendment to either allow the residents with the Sensus meters, to opt out of the meter replacement, or require everyone to upgrade to the Metron-Farnier meters.

Treasurer Keri Rogers stated that if the city opts out of the software upgrades on the Sensus meters and the residents with those meters, are not required to upgrade to the Metron-Farnier meters, the city would not be able to read those meters.

Council Member Poelma stated that she would want to see more than three (3) people that absolutely do not want to change their meters.

Council Member Bowman inquired about getting more testing done on the radio wave out put of the meters on his own?

Council Member's Degeus, Weise, and Poelma stated that they were in favor of an ordinance amendment that would require everyone to upgrade to the Metron-Farnier meters.

Council Member Bowman stated that maybe they could line their floor in their home with something that would block the radio waves from their daughter's bedroom.

City Manager Dennis Luce will present a proposed amended ordinance at the November 2025 Council meeting for the Council to review.

Discussion/Action – Prein and Newhof Water System Preliminary Engineering, Totaling \$27,500

City Manager Dennis Luce stated that Fairlife has expressed plans to expand its operations in Coopersville by adding two additional high-speed production lines, ultimately doubling their production capacity. This expansion will require significant increases in water capacity and system redundancy. Currently, the City has one 16" water main feeding the City's water supply and we are operating at approximately 80% of our firm supply capacity during peak day water demands (3 MGD). Average day demands are typically around 2 MGD.

To support Fairlife's proposed expansion and the City's long-term water needs, additional water infrastructure is being evaluated. The preliminary concept includes approximately seven miles of 20" inch water main from Fillmore Street in Allendale Township north along 68th Avenue to the City, a new booster station, and a new water tower. This project may be implemented, in phases depending on funding and demand.

Petitions and Communications continued

Discussion/Action – Prein and Newhof Water System Preliminary Engineering, Totaling \$27,500

Prein & Newhof has submitted a proposal for preliminary engineering services to evaluate the impacts of Fairlife’s proposed Project Ocho on the City’s water system. The scope of services includes:

- *Reviewing current system demands.*
- *Projecting future demand, including an additional one million gallons of average day flow for Fairlife by 2028.*
- *Updating water system modeling to incorporate improvements identified in the 2021 Reliability Study.*
- *Providing budgetary cost estimates of the proposed improvements.*
- *Developing preliminary design and construction schedules.*
- *Conducting meetings with Fairlife to coordinate phasing and improvements.*

Work is anticipated to be completed by the end of October 2025.

The cost of this preliminary engineering study is not to exceed \$27,500 on a time-and-materials basis. Importantly, Fairlife has offered to fully reimburse the city for this engineering cost.

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to approve the quote from Prein and Newhof, totaling \$27,500. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 099)

Discussion – 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan Update

City Manager Dennis Luce presented an updated draft of the 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan. This plan is a required component for municipalities seeking to qualify for Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) grant funding, which supports land acquisition, facility development, and improvements to existing parklands.

The City’s most recent plan was completed in 2021 by MCSA Group, which provided an in-depth, comprehensive analysis of the City’s parks, recreation, and open space needs. Many of the findings and recommendations remain valid today and continue to guide the City’s goals. This 2026 update builds upon that foundation and reflects improvements made through 2025, ensuring the plan remains current and aligned with DNR requirements. The updated plan serves as a five-year guide (2026–2030) for the development and maintenance of recreation opportunities in Coopersville. It includes:

- *An assessment of current recreation issues.*
- *Identification of future needs and strategies to address them.*
- *Both short- and long-range goals and objectives.*
- *An action and capital improvement program to achieve implementation.*
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A very, in depth public input integration, using survey results and engagement activities conducted in 2020 by MCSA Group, with updates to reflect progress made through 2025.

The plan will be updated with existing conditions, community input, and anticipated community needs. The following schedule outlines the remaining steps leading to final adoption:

- *Parks and Recreation Review – October 2025*
- *Presentation to City Council – October 13, 2025*
- *Draft Available for 30-Day Public Review – Beginning October 13, 2025*
- *Updated Presentation to City Council – November 10, 2025*
- *Public Hearing & Adoption of Plan by City Council – December 8, 2025*
- *Plan Completion and DNR Submittal – December 2025*

Discussion – 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan Update continued

The updated draft of the plan has been provided to the City Council for review. The entire plan is not attached to the packet due to the size of the file, but it will be sent in a separate email. There will be a copy of the proposed 2026 Community Parks and recreation Plan available for review at City Hall. Following the council meeting there will be a public review period, and a public hearing and final draft will be presented and adopted by resolution at the December 8, 2025, City Council meeting.

Council Member Weise stated that it would be nice to have walking accessibility through Deer Creek Subdivision.

Discussion – Consideration to Form a Historic Museum Advisory Board

City Manager Dennis Luce stated that the Coopersville Historical Museum continues to be a valuable asset for our community, preserving and showcasing our history. The current curators have done an outstanding job with passion and dedication, but there is a growing need for volunteer support. With the Merlin Enclosure addition nearing completion, new demands for setup, display design, and ongoing operations will arise.

To address these needs, I would like the Council's input on whether a Historical Museum Advisory Board should be established. This board could help recruit and coordinate volunteers, assist with planning, and provide guidance on exhibit presentations, and some of the more physically demanding aspects involving the museum.

Discussion and recommendations will continue at the November 2025 Council meeting.

Discussion/Action – Receive and File the City Audit as of June 30, 2025

Motion by Council Member Degeus with second by Council Member Gerard to Receive and File the City Audit as of June 30, 2025. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 100)

Discussion/Action – Randall Street and 64th Avenue Four-Way Stop Signing

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to approve the quote from Give Em' a Brake totaling \$12,390 to proceed with the proposed signage and markings required to convert the intersection of Randall Street and 64th Avenue into a four-way stop. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 101)

Discussion/Action – Resolution Authorizing Consumers Energy to Install or Replace Streetlights

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Poelma to approve the resolution authorizing Consumers Energy to install new streetlights within the Reserve of Coopersville residential development. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 102)

Citizens Input/Suggestions NONE

City Manager's Report

City Manager Dennis Luce reported on the following:

- *Applied for an MDOT Grant for the Railroad Crossing on Eastmanville Street*
- *Working with Lakeshore Advantage on the Second Water Crossing Project*
- *Presenting the Main Street Bridge Proposal to the MDOT Bridge Authority on October 23, 2025. This project has scored as the second highest.*
- *October 17, 2025, is the Family Fare Ribbon Cutting Ceremony*
- *State Revenue Sharing has been cut by 6%.*
- *Great job to Keri Rogers on the Audit*
- *Kate Terpstra is working with the library on activities and programs for the Senior Citizens as part of the Senior Recreation Program*

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman reported that the Nov 4th Election is twenty-two (22) days away.

City Treasurer Keri Rogers

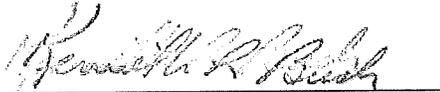
The Audit Report will be available on the website, or a copy can be obtained at City Hall.

Mayor Bush's report on the following:

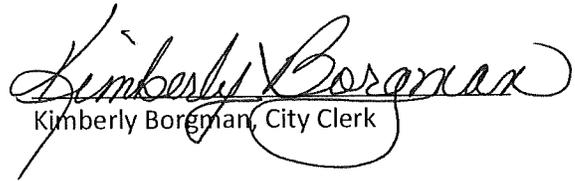
- *The city is in good shape*
- *Things have been quiet on the internet*
- *Will always encourage people to be involved*

Adjournment

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Poelma to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 P.M.
Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 103)



Kenneth Bush, Mayor



Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk

CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF COOPERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL, 289 DANFORTH ST.; COOPERSVILLE, MICHIGAN

November 10, 2025

Present: Council Member Bowman Council Member Poelma
Council Member Degeus Council Member Weise
Council Member Gavin Mayor Bush
Council Member Gerard

Absent: NONE

Additions/Corrections to Agenda NONE

Scheduled Guests & Public Hearings

Ottawa County District 11 County Commissioner Allison Miedema with County Updates

Allison Miedema, Ottawa County District 11 Commissioner reported on the following:

- Pancake Breakfast for the Veterans at the Community Services building this morning was nice and she hopes that this will be an annual event.
- Budget-County has a “AAA” standing. They are currently working with County Staff on what services in the County are required/not required.
- TIF Grants, (EPA Assessment Grants)- County received \$500,000.
- Ottawa County received a National Award for the “Ottawa Stands” film.
- Community Mental Health update.
- County Administrator Search – Patrick Waterman will be the new County Administrator
- Public Act 233 stripped the local municipalities of control and caused much confusion. Ms. Miedema invited communication on this from the Council.
- Many volunteer opportunities are available in the County. Go to miottawa.org to find these opportunities.
- Verse from “Charlie Kirk” was shared.

Citizens Input and Suggestions

Resident Jamie Adams congratulated the Council Members that were re-elected on November 4, 2025.

Jamie stated that she will continue to stay involved, and she is not going away.

Jamie also stated that Council Member Weise is open to communication, and she hopes that it continues.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Gavin to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the following: Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 104)

- ***Minutes of the City Council Meeting of October 13, 2025***
- ***Fund Balance Report End of FY 2024-2025***
- ***First Quarter of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Financials***
- ***Checks through November 10, 2025, Totaling \$3,085,813.39***
- ***Council Information Packet***

Petitions and Communications

Discussion - Proposed Amendment to add Subsection (h) to Section 1040.10 Meters

Eight residents have not responded to any of the calls from City Staff for the upgrading of their meters.

City Manager, Dennis Luce stated that if someone does not like the location of where the new meter will be placed on their home, the meter location can be changed.

No further discussion or action was taken.

A "public hearing" will be held in December for the proposed amended ordinance.

Discussion – 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan Review

City Manager Dennis Luce presented the 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan for review.

There were no discussion or comments.

City Manager, Dennis Luce stated that a "public hearing" will be held on the Parks and Recreation Plan at the December 2025 meeting.

Discussion/Action – Approval of the Master Contract to Join the Muskegon County Wastewater System

Motion by Council Member Bowman with second by Council Member Poelma to approve the Master Contract to join the Muskegon County Wastewater System. Motion carried with Council Member Gavin abstaining.

(2025 – 105)

Discussion/Action – Civic Plus Archiving and Monitoring Services

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to approve the Option #2 quote from Civic Plus Archiving and Monitoring Services for a One (1) Year contract for Social Media Archiving/Monitoring Services and Website Archiving/Snapshots with a One-Time Activation Fee of \$1,000 and Annual Subscription Cost of \$4,672.20, which includes a 35% discount, and a 5% increase in year two. Motion carried unanimously.

(2025 – 106)

Discussion/Action – Social Media Management and Engagement

Much discussion was held by Council, on whether, to turn on the comments on all City Social Media sites.

City Manager Dennis Luce stated that we have a small office staff, and we cannot monitor the Social Media sites all the time.

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to leave the "commenting" off on the city hall's Facebook page, turn "commenting" back on, on the Recreation and Discover Coopersville Facebook pages, and approval to grant the City Manager the authority to turn the "commenting" off on the Recreation and Discover Coopersville Facebook pages if needed. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 107)

Discussion/Action – Installation of Blinking Red Traffic Lights at Randall Street/64th Avenue

Motion by Council Member Gerard with second by Council Member Gavin to approve the quote from Strain Electric totaling \$28,900 for the installation of blinking red traffic lights at Randall Street and 64th Avenue. Motion carried Unanimously. (2025 – 108)

Recognition and Comments of Outgoing Mayor Bush

Mayor Pro-Tem/Council Member Gavin read and presented Mayor Bush with a Proclamation for his forty (40) years of service to the City of Coopersville.

Citizens Input/Suggestions

Resident, Jamie Adams stated that the meeting agendas are supposed to be sent to her. Jamie stated that Kate Terpstra told her there was an issue. Jamie also asked if the city could take comments on their Facebook page through “messenger” as email is not working.

City Manager’s Report

City Manager Dennis Luce reported on the following:

- Local Bridge Advisory Board presentation on October 23rd in Lansing to request funding for the Main Street Bridge – Conditional Award of \$3M for a replacement in 2028.
- SOS Mobile Office 2026 dates: January 5th, April 6th, July 7th, October 5th
- Elections- Thank you to Mayor Ken Bush it has been a pleasure. Congratulations to Mayor Brian Mooney, we are excited to work with you.
- Republic Services shared concerns regarding Fall Cleanup Day- outside trash dropped off within the city. Collected 42.3 Tons – far more tonnage than much larger cities.
- Senior Recreation Services- A lot of discussion regarding transportation services- services avail. Transportation is an issue in all rural communities,
 - Ready Ride Transportation Services – Fee Associated
 - Four-Pointes are still required to provide transportation services, but they need drivers. If there are residents, they can volunteer w/ 4-Pointes and get millage and service only the Coopersville area.
 - Local Churches offer assistance to their members. (Faith Community & Church of the Savior help people find rides).
 - Family, Friends, or Neighbors, Kate is a resource to find help for people when needed.
 - Insurance Companies collaborate with doctor’s offices for medical appointments, too.

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman reported on the November 2025 Election.

City Treasurer Keri Rogers

Thanked Mayor Bush for his service, stating further that it is going to be strange to come to the meetings without him being here.

Mayor Bush’s report on the following:

Mayor Bush stated that he has served the city for a long time and the city is “my heart.” Mayor Bush also stated that people need to stay involved and he appreciates everyone.

Adjournment

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 P.M. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 109)



Kenneth Bush, Mayor



Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

*I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the approved **October 13, 2025** City Council Meeting Minutes approved by the City Council of the City of Coopersville, County of Ottawa, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on **November 10, 2025**, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and have been made available as required by said Act.*


City Clerk
City of Coopersville, Michigan

CERTIFICATION

*I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the approved **November 10, 2025** City Council Meeting Minutes approved by the City Council of the City of Coopersville, County of Ottawa, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on **December 8, 2025**, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and have been made available as required by said Act.*


City Clerk
City of Coopersville, Michigan

Scheduled Guests & Public Hearings continued

Public Hearing-2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan continued

Motion by Council Member Gerard with second by Council Member Gavin to close the public hearing at 7:17 P.M.
Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 122)

Citizens Input and Suggestions

Bob LaCross, City Resident requested that the city perform a cost analysis' on picking up residents leaves with a vacuum/sweeper truck and perform snow removal from all City sidewalks. Mr. LaCross stated that the city is growing and so are the trees and with the new sidewalks that will be added with the "Safe Routes to School" grant the city should keep the sidewalks clear and safe for the children. Mr. LaCross suggested that the City could possibly sub-contract these duties out.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Council Member Gavin with second by Council Member Bowman to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the following: Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 123)

- ***Minutes of the City Council Meeting of November 10, 2025***
- ***Georgetown Construction, Skeels Street Repair Project: Final Pay Application No.1, Totaling \$87,326.90***
- ***Georgetown Construction, 68th Avenue Water Main Project: Change Order No. 2, Increase of \$33,895.33***
- ***Georgetown Construction, 68th Avenue Water Main Project: Pay Application No.2, Totaling \$53,344.18***
- ***Checks through December 8, 2025, Totaling \$1,185,918.47***
- ***Council Information Packet which consists of the following: Monthly Permits Issued for November Planning Commission Meeting Minutes from November 2025, Ottawa County Sheriff's Office Monthly Report from October 2025, Coopersville/Polkton Fire Department Meeting Minutes from November 2025, Senior Recreation Newsletter and Calendar, December 2025, Consumers Energy Integrated Resource Plan, Community Feedback Session***

Petitions and Communications

Discussion/Action- Proposed Amendment to add Subsection (h) to Section 1040.10, Meters

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Poelma to approve the proposed amendment to the ordinance to add Subsection (h) to Section 1040.10, Meters. Motion carried with Council Member Bowman opposing. (2025 – 124)

Discussion/Action – 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan Review

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Bowman to approve the 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan as presented. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 125)

Discussion/Action – Asset Test/Poverty Exemption Policy for 2026

Motion by Council Member Gavin with second by Council Member Weise to approve the Asset Test/Poverty Exemption Policy for 2026. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 126)

Discussion/Action – Appointments and Reappointments to Board Positions

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Poelma to approve the recommendations for appointments and/or reappointments of the following people, to the following board positions: Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 127)

- ***Tammy Huff-Board of Review Alternate – Three (3) year term, expiring 12/28***
- ***Mayor Brian Mooney-Fire Authority Board Alternate –Two (2) year term, expiring 12/30***
- ***Jillian Poelma-Senior Recreation Advisory Board – Two (2) year term, expiring 12/30***

Scheduled Guests & Public Hearings continued

Discussion/Action – Phase #1 Water System Improvements: 68th Avenue 20” Transmission Main, Totaling \$66,000

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Gerard to approve the Phase #1 Water System Improvements, 68th Avenue 20” Transmission Main, totaling \$66,000 for the preliminary design services which includes detailed topographic surveying, utility verification, and geotechnical services. City Manager, Dennis Luce, stated that Fairlife will reimburse the city for this service. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 128)

Discussion/Action – Water Rate Study by Bendzinski & Company, Totaling \$24,850

Motion by Council Member Bowman with second by Council Member Weise to approve the Water Rate Study by Bendzinski & Company, totaling \$24,850. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 129)

Citizens Input/Suggestions NONE

City Manager’s Report

City Manager Dennis Luce reported on the following:

- Thank you to Jeff DuPilka and his company West Shore Services for helping Isaac Emery complete this Eagle Scout project by helping raise the flagpoles at Veterans Park. Also, for helping set the Christmas Tree in the Pocket Park.
 - We have a lot of projects which we are working on.
 - Working on Phase One of a second Water Main Project to add capacity and redundancy to our city water supply (expected to be a \$15.5M project)
 - Working with Fairlife on a potential \$500M expansion
 - Still working on the SERFM project, specifically the W. Randall Station and planning for the Wastewater Treatment Facility (a \$72M project)
 - Upgrades to the East Street Lift Station- Ran into challenges on location, but we may have a potential and viable less costly option.
 - Grove Street Bridge Project –Guaranteed Funding \$3.2M state bridge bundle grant
 - \$3M Main Street Bridge grant scheduled for 2028
 - Upgrades to the 60th Booster Station happening now
 - Upgrades to the Main Lift Station as the SERM project continues.

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman congratulated Isaac Emery on his Eagle Scout Project Achievements and wished everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season.

City Treasurer Keri Rogers

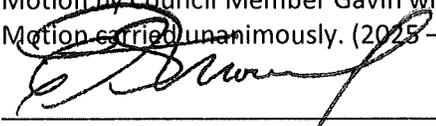
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Mayor Brian Mooney’s report on the following:

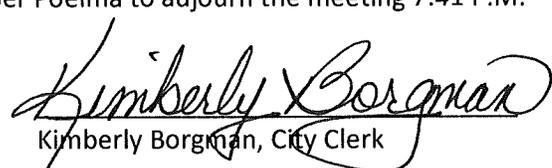
- *Thanked Isaac Emery for his recent Eagle Scout Project at Veterans Park*
- *Made a recommendation to the Fairlife Community Engagement Team to let the community know what they are doing for the Coopersville Community, either through the local paper or other sources of news.*
- *Wished everyone a “Safe and Happy Holiday Season.”*

Adjournment

Motion by Council Member Gavin with second by Council Member Poelma to adjourn the meeting 7:41 P.M. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 130)



Brian Mooney, Mayor



Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

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CITY COMMISSION RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION

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RESOLUTION 2025 – 125
Coopersville Parks and Recreation Master Plan

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Weise and supported by Member Bowman.

WHEREAS, the City of Coopersville has undertaken a planning process to determine the recreation and natural resource conservation needs and desires of its residents during a five-year period covering the years 2026 through 2030; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council is made up of representatives from the City of Coopersville; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coopersville began the process of developing a community Parks and Recreation Master Plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities; and

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WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the final draft plan/plan amendment for a period of at least 30 days for the plan; and

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WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the City Council voted to adopt said Parks and Recreation Master Plan; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

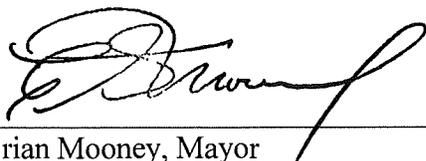
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Yes: Council Members Weise, Bowman, Gavin, Gerard, Poelma, Mayor Mooney

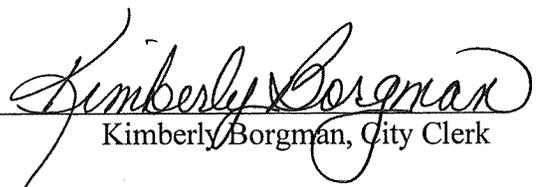
No: NONE

Absent: Council Member Degeus

Resolution Declared Adopted this 8th day of December 2025.



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Final Water Meter Replacements

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"For more than ten years, staff has been transitioning from older Sensus touchpad meters to new Metron-Farmer radio-read meters," explained City Manager Dennis Luce. "These new meters improve efficiency, accuracy, and provide enhanced data both for billing and system protection."

Beginning January 1, 2026, the

just 16 meters remaining and a January deadline to convert, council members were asked to provide direction on whether or not they supported the city offering an opt out option. Proposed opt-out costs would be divided among the number of residents who take advantage of the option. For example, to cover the cost of new equipment, the city would charge a total initial opt-out fee of \$2,189. There would also be a total annual maintenance fee and serv-

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"We can't give them an option," shared Council Member Tim DeGeus. "You don't let people choose whether or not they stop at a stop sign. If they want water, they need to upgrade their meter."

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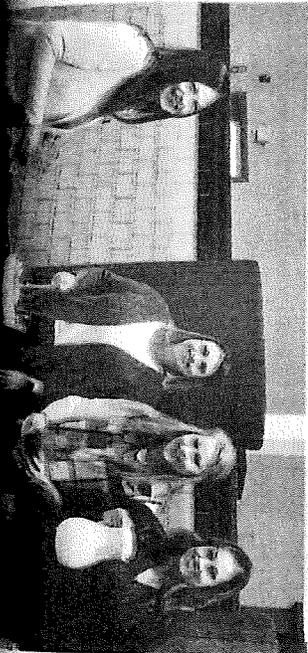
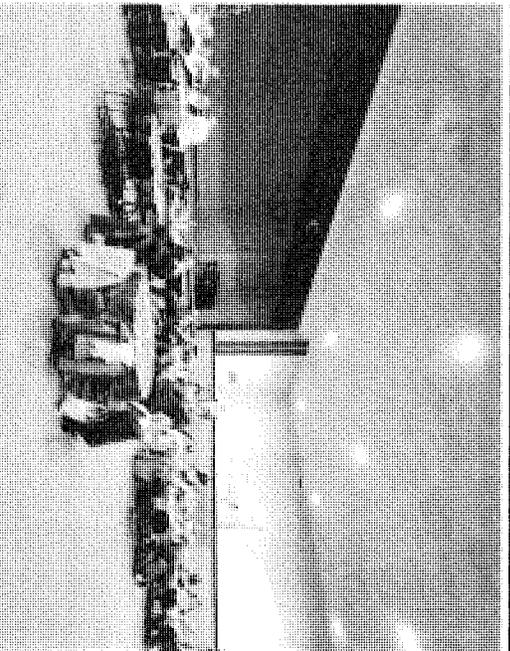
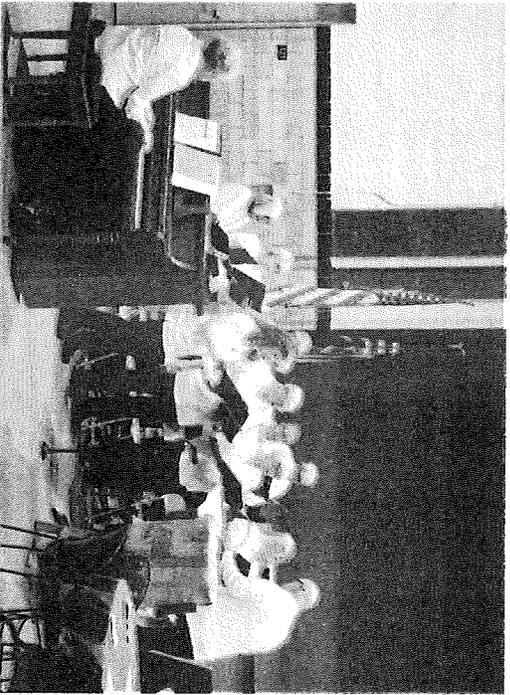
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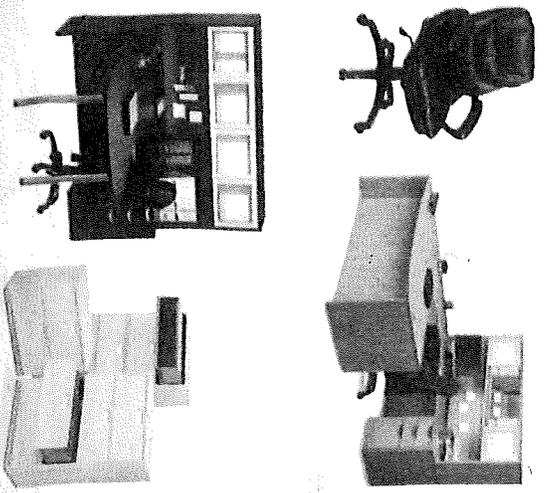
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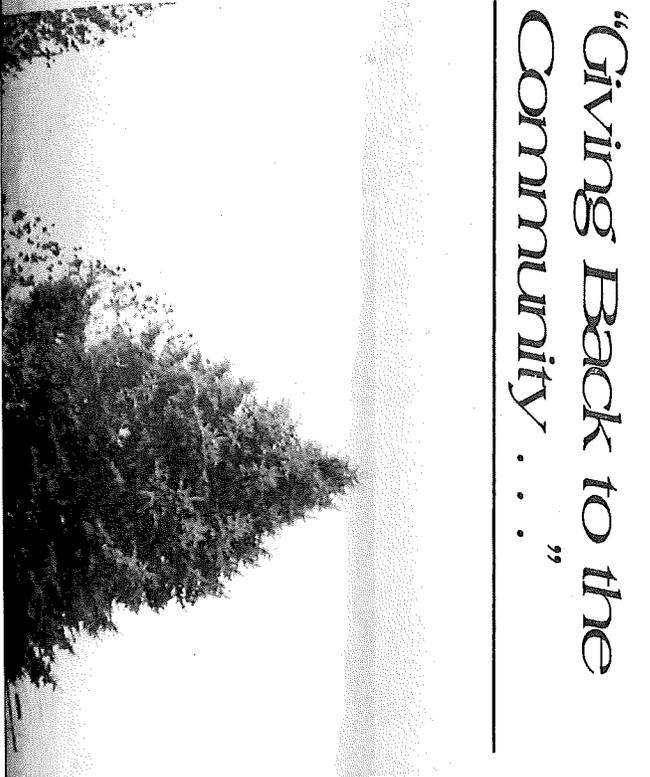
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Parks and Rec Plan Adopted

The City of Coopersville adopted the 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan at the December City Council meeting. The final draft of the plan will now be sent to the DNR, a requirement to apply for grants that can support land acquisition, facility development, and improvements to existing parks. Drafted and first presented to council members at the October meeting, the plan was also available for public review. There was a second presentation to council at the November meeting, followed by a public hearing at the December meeting. These were

all required steps before final approval could be granted.

The updated five-year guide includes an assessment of current recreation issues, identification of future needs and strategies to address them, short- and long-range goals and objectives, and an action and capital improvement program to achieve implementation.

More information on the goals and highlights of the plan was included in both the October 20 and December 1 issues of The Observer. The entire plan will continue to be available for review at City Hall.

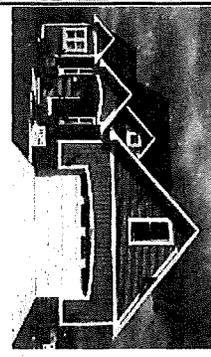
Upcoming Events at Your Library

Adult Craft Night - Adult
 Craft Night meets at 6:00 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of every month. The project for December 18 is yarn letter ornaments! This program is for ages 18 and over. All materials are provided free of charge. Space is limited, so registration is required and is available online.

Adult Winter Reading - It's
 that time of year again! Keep track of your reading from now through January 31, 2026, for the chance to win prizes from local businesses! Anyone ages 18+ can register for the program.

Preschool Story Time -
 Preschool Story Time, geared towards kids 2.5-5 years old, meets at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday mornings. Registration is not required. No meetings on December 23 or 30, due to the holiday.

Premiere Movie Night -
 Premiere Movie Nights showcase a newly released film on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the show starts at 6:30 p.m. The next movie is December 23. Please call the library or visit its website


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Parks and Rec Survey Now Open

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

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DATE: 01-26-2026 PAGE: 5 CONTENT: Article - Parks + Rec Survey

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Publisher

Subscribed and sworn before me

This 28th day of January 2026.

Lydia Jean Brown

Notary Public

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Council Meets in Closed Session

Following a roll call vote, council members entered a closed session during the January meeting.

The closed session is permitted under section 8(1)(d) of Michigan's Open Meetings Act to consider the purchase or lease of a real property interest. No official action was taken by council; this was a time for discussion only.

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**CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
"PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE"**

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The Purpose of this meeting is to obtain public comments on:

The City of Coopersville

2026-2030 "Proposed" Community Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Citizens are welcome to attend this meeting or provide written comment.

If you provide written comment, all comments must be received at

Coopersville City Hall, 289 Danforth Street,
by 5:00 PM, the day of the hearing.

If you have any questions or should you need special assistance to attend this hearing, please contact the City Clerk @ 997-9731.

Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk

Published: 1/26/26

Posted: 1/26/26



ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

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Ottawa County Parks & Recreation Department
12220 Fillmore
West Olive, MI. 49460

To Whom it May Concern:

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Dennis Luce
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March 23, 2026

Dave Bee
West Michigan Regional Planning Commission
820 Monroe Suite 214
Grand Rapids, MI. 49503

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March 23, 2026

Subject: City of Coopersville 2026 - 2030 Community Parks and Recreation Master Plan

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to confirm that the City of Coopersville had a public hearing on Monday, December 8th, 2025, for our 2026-2030 Community Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

The Public Hearing was noticed and held in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Development of Community Parks and Recreation Plan. The attached public notice was put on the City's website more than 18 hours ahead of the public meeting on December 8th, 2025. The Public Hearing notice was on the website, posted on our public notice board outside of City Hall 30 days prior to the meeting, and was published in the local newspaper, The Coopersville Observer.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at City Hall (616) 997-2119 or by email at dluce@cityofcoopersville.com

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SECTION 10
APPENDICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Protecting Michigan's Future
Recreation Bond Program
Development Project Extension

Project Title Coopersville Community Park
Project No. 89-034
Amendment No. 1

THIS AMENDMENT, made and entered into this 16th day of June, 1991, by and between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT" and the of Coopersville School, MI a GRANT RECIPIENT" in an Amendment to an AGREEMENT entered into by these same parties on the 14th of May, 1990.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the AGREEMENT includes an effective facility development deadline of December 31, 1991 pursuant to Paragraph 12; and

WHEREAS, the GRANT RECIPIENT has requested an extension of the development deadline

TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the GRANT RECIPIENT has shown significant and continuing progress toward completion of this project;

NOW THEREFORE, the DEPARTMENT and GRANT RECIPIENT mutually agree that Paragraph 12 shall be amended to read as follows:

To complete development of said facilities before December 31, 1992 and to provide the DEPARTMENT the documents and information required to comply with Paragraph 4b of the Agreement within 60 days after the development of said facilities. Failure to develop the property and submit the required documents and information for review before March 31, 1993 shall render this Agreement null and void and of no effect whatsoever.

ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONTINUED IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and date first above written.

Approved by resolution (true copy attached) of the
December 16, 1991 regular meeting of
(special or regular)
the Board of Education
(approved body)

LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT

SIGNED:

By: Robert R. Ford
Title: Superintendent

WITNESSED BY:

(1) Donald Engle
(2) Salvador Gomez

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SIGNED:

By: Rodney A. Stokes
Title: Chief, Grants Management Branch
Recreation Division

WITNESSED BY:

Michael McDonald
John A. Johnston

Date: 1/6/92

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by J. Hilton supported by D. Engle to accept and approve consent agenda items as follows:

Approval of regular (11/18) meeting minutes.

Acceptance of Education Advisory (12/2), School Improvement (12/9), Finance (12/9), Policy Review (11/25)

Authorization to seek grant (\$25,000) to study extended school year (200 days).

Action to extend Coopersville Community Park Project under DNR funding for one (1) year or until completed, whichever comes first.

Approval to apply for Article III grant in the amount of \$37,853 to be used to hire up to five instructional aides to provide reading assistance at grades K-8.

Approval to enter into agreement with Forester to thin school forest in Ravenna Township (expected revenue \$1,429).

Authorization to collect summer taxes for 1992. (See resolution attached hereto)

Approval of bills & Payroll as reviewed by the Finance Committee:

1. General Fund #18530-18776, \$866,252.45
2. Building & Site #718-720, \$34,404.32
3. Food Service #581-588, \$42,875.28
4. Athletics #989-1003, \$7,736.10
5. Common Debt -0-
6. Senior High Activity #11335-11448, \$19,314.12
7. Junior High Activity #1739-1800, \$26,056.29
8. Elementary West #136-137, \$53.00
9. Elementary East #178-185, \$1,217.99
10. Sr. Citizens #1148-1163, \$3,658.01
11. Community Services #1812-1833, \$1,213.81
12. Summary and Expense Reports for all funds

Motion unanimously carried.

I, the undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Coopersville Area Public Schools, Ottawa and Muskegon Counties, Michigan, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of Education at a regular meeting held on December 16, 1991.

Donald Engle

Donald Engle, Secretary

Project Number : 89-036

Project Title : Cooperaville
Community Park

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Protecting Michigan's Future
Recreation Bond Program
Development Project Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 14th day of May, 19 90, by and between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, for and on behalf of the State of Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT" and the Coopersville Area Public Schools, a _____, hereinafter referred to as the "GRANT RECIPIENT".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, 1988 P.A. 329, provides for the establishment of Protecting Michigan's Future, Recreation Bond Program; and

WHEREAS, 1988 P.A. 329, provides moneys deposited in said fund shall be used exclusively for the development of land for public recreational purposes including but not limited to redevelopment of recreation infrastructure, waterfront revitalization, community recreation, tourist attractions, intermediate school district's environmental education facilities, recreation development of an industrial site; and

WHEREAS, 1990 P.A. 55, appropriates funds from the Protecting Michigan's Future, Recreation Bond Program to the DEPARTMENT for a grant-in-aid to the GRANT RECIPIENT for development of recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT and the GRANT RECIPIENT, in fulfillment of the purposes of 1988 P.A. 329 and 1990 P.A. 55, have negotiated the within Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, the DEPARTMENT and the GRANT RECIPIENT, in consideration of the terms, promises, conditions, and assurances hereinafter set forth, mutually agree as follows:

1. This Agreement shall be administered on behalf of the DEPARTMENT through its Recreation Division. All reports, documents, or actions required of the GRANT RECIPIENT shall be submitted to the Protecting Michigan Future Recreation Bond Program, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Recreation Division, P.O. Box 30028, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

2. The use herein of the words "project area" shall mean the area described below (Legal Description) and shown on the attached boundary map. See attachment #1 and #2.

3. The use herein of the word "facilities" shall mean the following individual components of the above-described overall project for which the GRANT RECIPIENT requested assistance:

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| 1. Site Preparation | 6. Floating Deck |
| 2. Trails | 7. Decks |
| 3. Parking | 8. Picnic Equipment |
| 4. Picnic Shelter | 9. Signage |
| 5. Play Area | 10. Landscaping |

4. The DEPARTMENT agrees as follows:

a. To grant to the said GRANT RECIPIENT a sum of money equal to Fifty (50%) percent of the total cost of construction of the facilities called for by this Agreement, including engineering costs therefor, but which shall not in any event exceed Sixty-Five Thousand (\$65,000) dollars. This sum shall be used only for the construction of the facilities called for in Section 3 and engineering costs therefor.

b. To pay the money appropriated by the preceding section to the GRANT RECIPIENT as follows:

Payments will be made on a reimbursement basis; Fifty (50%) percent of eligible expenses, up to 90% of the Maximum Grant Allowable, will be disbursed upon receipt of an expenditure list supported by copies of invoices and descriptions, copies of cancelled checks, and/or lists of force account time and attendance records. The final payment will be withheld pending satisfactory project completion and audit.

The GRANT RECIPIENT agrees as follows:

- a. To immediately appropriate the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand (\$65,000) dollars. This sum represents Fifty (50%) percent of the approved total cost of construction including engineering costs. Any cost overruns incurred to complete the facilities called for by this Agreement shall be the responsibility of the GRANT RECIPIENT.
 - b. To operate said facilities, for a minimum of their useful life, and to regulate the use thereof to the satisfaction of the DEPARTMENT, and to appropriate such monies and/or provide such services as shall be necessary to provide such adequate maintenance.
 - c. To provide to the DEPARTMENT for approval, a complete tariff schedule containing all charges to be assessed against the public utilizing the property and/or facilities constructed thereon, and to provide to the DEPARTMENT for approval, all amendments thereto prior to the effective date of such amendments.
 - d. To erect and maintain for at least three years after signing of this Agreement a sign designating this project as one having been constructed with assistance from the DEPARTMENT. The size, color, and design of this sign shall be in accordance with DEPARTMENT specifications.
 - e. To adopt such ordinances and/or resolutions as shall be required to effectuate the provisions of this Agreement; certified copies of all such ordinances and/or resolutions adopted for such purposes shall be forwarded to the DEPARTMENT prior to the effective date thereof.
 - f. To separately account for any revenues received from the project area which exceed the demonstrated operating costs and to reserve such surplus revenues for the future maintenance and/or expansion of the GRANT RECIPIENT'S park and recreation program.
 - g. To furnish the DEPARTMENT, upon request, detailed statements covering the annual operation of said property and/or facilities, including income and expenses and such other information the DEPARTMENT might reasonably require.
 - h. To maintain the premises in such condition as to comply with all federal, state, and local laws which may be applicable and to make any and all payments required for all taxes, fees, or assessments legally imposed against said property.
6. This Agreement shall not be construed to require the Department to operate or maintain or to contribute to the operation or maintenance of the recreational facilities that are the subject of this Agreement.

7. The facilities and the recreation programs in those facilities constructed under this Agreement and the land and water access ways to the said facilities shall be open to the public at all times on equal and reasonable terms and that no individual shall be denied ingress or egress thereto or the use thereof on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, residence, age, or handicap.

8. a. It is expressly understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that the GRANT RECIPIENT possesses fee simple title, free of all liens and encumbrances, to the lands described in paragraph 2. The fee simple title acquired shall not be subject (1) to any possibility of reverter or right of entry for condition broken or any other executory limitation which may result in defeasance of title or (2) to any reservations or prior conveyance of coal, oil, gas, sand, gravel or any other mineral interests.

b. The GRANT RECIPIENT hereby represents that it will defend any suit brought against either party which involves title, ownership, or specific rights, including appurtenant riparian rights, of any lands connected with or affected by this project.

9. The GRANT RECIPIENT acknowledges that it has examined the property and that it has found the property to be safe for public use or that action can and will be taken by the GRANT RECIPIENT to assure safe use of the property by the public; that the GRANT RECIPIENT is solely responsible for development, operation, and maintenance of the property, and that responsibility for actions taken to develop, operate, or maintain the property is solely that of the GRANT RECIPIENT; that the responsibility for deciding whether or not to carry public liability insurance, the amounts, coverage, and all other particulars with respect thereto is solely that of the GRANT RECIPIENT; and that the DEPARTMENT'S involvement in the premises is limited solely to the making of a grant to assist the GRANT RECIPIENT in developing same.

After careful and thorough review of the application, proposed narrative (need statement), and the supporting material contained in the application the Coopersville Area Pub. Works assures the DEPARTMENT that the proposed State-assisted action will not have a negative effect on the environment and, therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. Furthermore the Coopersville Area PS assures the DEPARTMENT that the project area to be assisted is not a site of environmental contamination, as defined in Act 307 of 1982, the Michigan Environmental Response Act.

10. None of the project area nor any of the facilities constructed under this Agreement as defined in Sections 2 and 3 shall be wholly or partially conveyed, either in fee or otherwise or leased for a term of years or for any other period, nor shall there be any whole or partial transfer of the lease title, ownership, or right of maintenance or control by the GRANT RECIPIENT except with the prior written approval and consent of the DEPARTMENT. The assistance provided to the GRANT RECIPIENT as a result of this Agreement is intended to have a lasting effect on the supply of

recreation, and recreational facilities beyond the financial contribution alone and permanently commits the project area to Michigan's recreation estate

11. A failure by the grant recipient to comply with this agreement shall constitute a material breach of this agreement and the Department, in addition to any other remedy provided by law, may:
- (i) withhold future payments to the grant recipient on any or all current recreation grant projects until the compliance issue is resolved to the satisfaction of the Department;
 - (ii) withhold action on all pending and future grant applications submitted by the grant recipient under the Recreation Bond, Natural Resources Trust Fund, and the Land and Water Conservation Fund programs;
 - (iii) require the grant recipient to perform other action as directed by the Natural Resources Commission; and/or
 - (iv) require specific performance of the Agreement.

12. Costs incurred from the date noted on page 1 until December 31, 1991 shall be considered for reimbursement under the terms of this Agreement. Any costs incurred after that date to complete facilities under construction shall be totally the responsibility of the GRANT RECIPIENT. A final payment request must be submitted by March 31, 1992 or the DEPARTMENT may audit the project costs and make final payment based on documentation on file as of that date.

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The DEPARTMENT may cancel this Agreement if the GRANT RECIPIENT or any subcontractor, manufacturer, or supplier of the GRANT RECIPIENT appears in the register compiled by the Michigan Department of Labor pursuant to Public Act No. 278 of 1980.

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Title: Chief, Grants Management Branch
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WITNESSED BY:

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Approved by resolution (true copy attached) of the May 1st (date)

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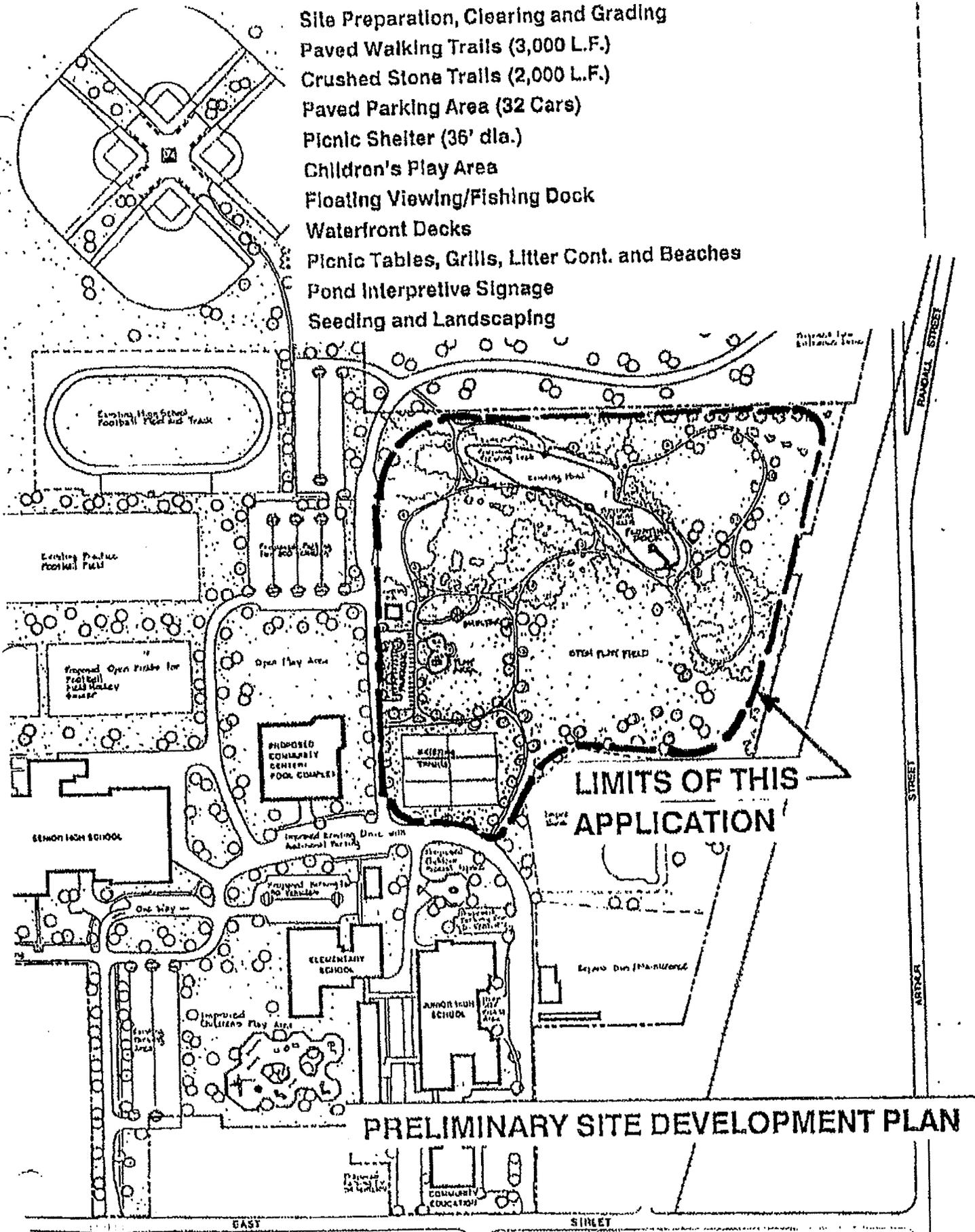
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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Protecting Michigan's Future
Recreation Bond Program
Development Project Extension

Project Title Coopersville Community Park
Project No. 89-034
Amendment No. 1

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WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the AGREEMENT includes an effective facility development deadline of December 31, 1991 pursuant to Paragraph 12; and

WHEREAS, the GRANT RECIPIENT has requested an extension of the development deadline

TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT

; and

WHEREAS, the GRANT RECIPIENT has shown significant and continuing progress toward completion of this project;

NOW THEREFORE, the DEPARTMENT and GRANT RECIPIENT mutually agree that Paragraph 12 shall be amended to read as follows:

To complete development of said facilities before December 31, 1992 and to provide the DEPARTMENT the documents and information required to comply with Paragraph 4b of the Agreement within 60 days after the development of said facilities. Failure to develop the property and submit the required documents and information for review before March 31, 1993 shall render this Agreement null and void and of no effect whatsoever.

ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONTINUED IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and
seals, the day and date first above written.

Approved by resolution (true copy attached) of the
December 16, 1991 regular meeting of
(special or regular)
the Board of Education
(approved body)

LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT

SIGNED:

By: Robert T. [Signature]
Title: Superintendent

WITNESSED BY:

(1) Donald Engle
(2) Walter Gordon

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SIGNED:

By: [Signature]
Rodney A. Stokes
Title: Chief, Grants Management Branch
Recreation Division

WITNESSED BY:

Michael McDonald
[Signature]

Date: 1/6/92

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by J. Hilton supported by D. Engle to accept and approve consent agenda items as follows:

Approval of regular (11/18) meeting minutes.

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2. Building & Site #718-720, \$34,404.32
3. Food Service #581-588, \$42,875.28
4. Athletics #989-1003, \$7,736.10
5. Common Debt -0-
6. Senior High Activity #11335-11448, \$19,314.12
7. Junior High Activity #1739-1800, \$26,056.29
8. Elementary West #136-137, \$53.00
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10. Sr. Citizens #1148-1163, \$3,658.01
11. Community Services #1812-1833, \$1,213.81
12. Summary and Expense Reports for all funds

Motion unanimously carried.

I, the undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Coopersville Area Public Schools, Ottawa and Muskegon Counties, Michigan, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of Education at a regular meeting held on December 16, 1991.

Donald Engle

Donald Engle, Secretary

Project Number : 49-034

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Community Park

STATE OF MICHIGAN
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WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, 1988 P.A. 329, provides for the establishment of Protecting Michigan's Future, Recreation Bond Program; and

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WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT and the GRANT RECIPIENT, in fulfillment of the purposes of 1988 P.A. 329 and 1990 P.A. 55, have negotiated the within Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, the DEPARTMENT and the GRANT RECIPIENT, in consideration of the terms, promises, conditions, and assurances hereinafter set forth, mutually agree as follows:

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3. The use herein of the word "facilities" shall mean the following individual components of the above-described overall project for which the GRANT RECIPIENT requested assistance:

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| 1. Site Preparation | 6. Floating Deck |
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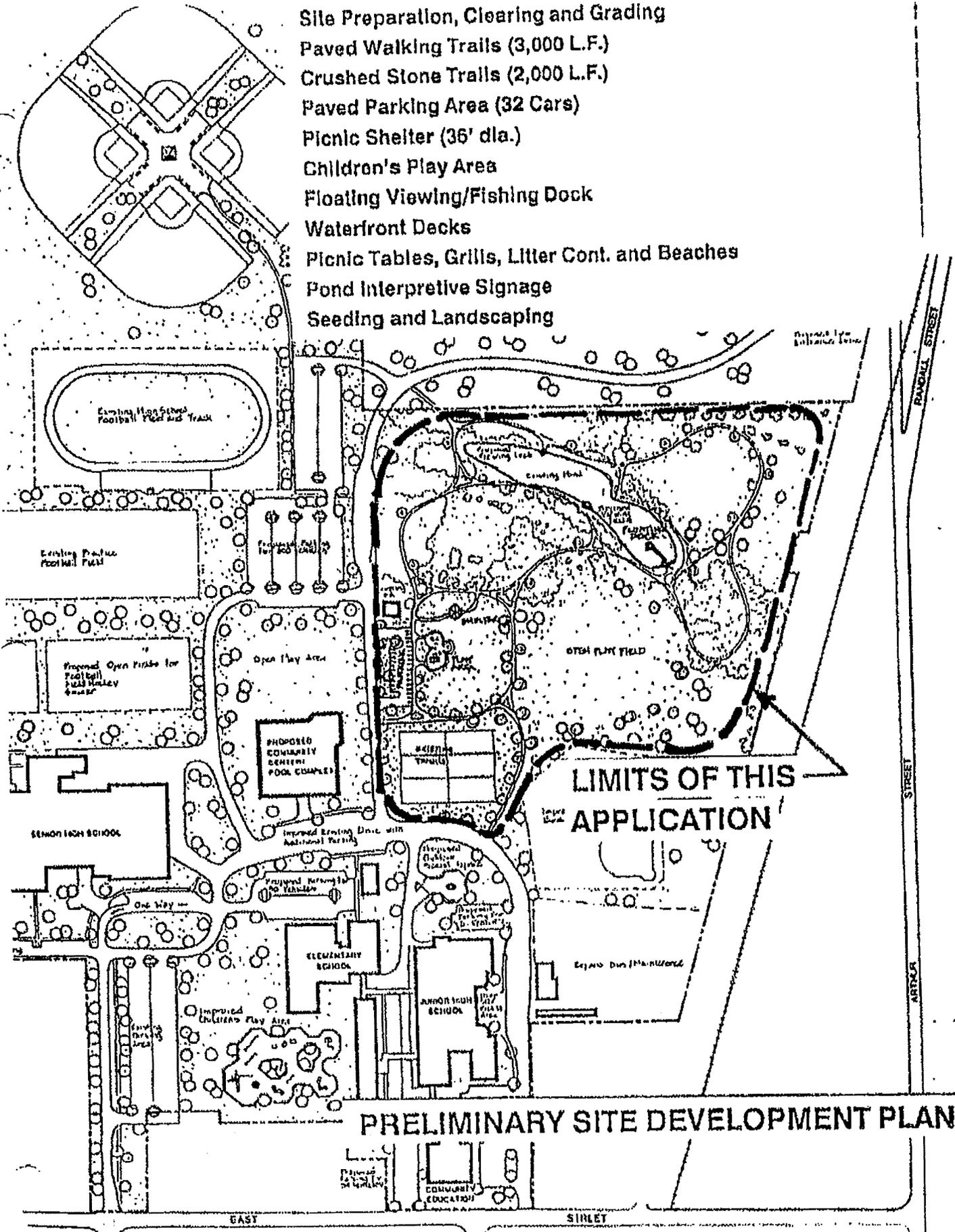
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