

Parks Master Plan: 2020 Update

City of Warrenton

2010-2030



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Executive Summary

In 2010, the City of Warrenton created the City's first Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The plan outlined the state of the City and defined the necessary steps to facilitate and enable a collaborative vision.

Vision for Parks System:

- Enhance the livability of Warrenton
- Build community health, wellness, and quality of life
- Promote social, cultural, and historical activities
- Provide a natural environment for all residents and visitors

“The City of Warrenton recognizes the boost in human and social capital that parks improvements and maintenance projects will provide to its residents.”

Now, the year 2020, the Parks Master Plan has been well on its way for 10 years however, there have been numerous projects completed that were not outlined in the 2010 Parks Master Plan. These projects were completed as a high need, strong community interest, or funding for specific

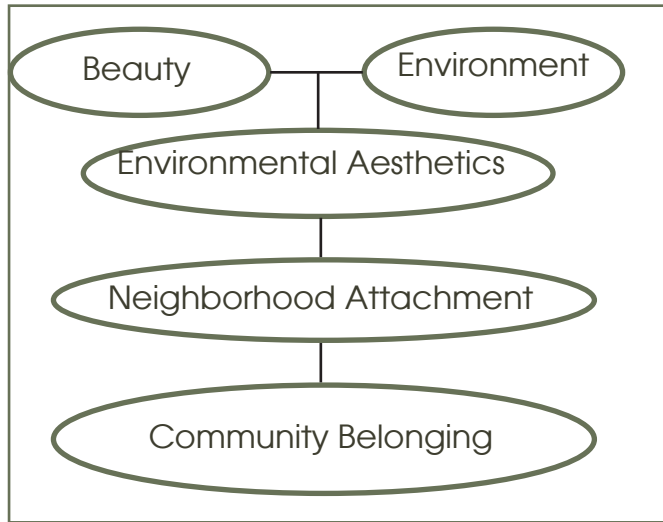
projects became available. This new iteration of the plan will seek to accurately capture the progress made within our parks system over the past 10 years, while also providing a comprehensive plan for moving forward.

The City of Warrenton has a wealth of natural areas, open spaces, and parkland within its Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). Additionally, the City is bordered on three sides by water—the Pacific Ocean to the West, Columbia River to the North, and the Skipanon River to the East—making Warrenton a unique place to recreate.

Parks and trail systems provide the community with enhanced environmental aesthetics, increased neighborhood attachment, and a greater sense of community belonging.

See Figure E for the relationship between environmental aesthetics and community belonging.

Figure E: Flow Chart to Community Belonging



After an intensive public involvement process including multiple user surveys, stakeholder interviews, public forums, and an outreach event, the following key findings highlight some of the strengths and areas of improvement for Warrenton’s park system.

Key Findings:

- Warrentonians rate the City’s trails system as extremely important to their quality of life and energetically support further trail connections.
- The community prioritizes maintenance and improvements in existing parks over parkland acquisition.
- Many recommendations outlined in the plan will not be possible to implement without additional staff and reliable funding sources.

- Currently, there are three major funding sources for the parks system—General Fund, Parks SDC Fund, and Quincy & Bessie Robinson Trust Fund. Only monies from the General Fund may be used for maintenance as the other sources are reserved for new development or parkland acquisition.
- To fully maintain Warrenton’s park system would require a Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) of 2.75. The City is currently operating with a FTE of 0.53. Maintenance needs not serviced by the City are contracted to a third party, completed by volunteers, or deferred.
- The top priorities for the next 10 years, as identified through public input, are:
 - Creating a reliable funding source for parks maintenance,
 - Increasing staff capacity to meet the level of service expectations,
 - Developing a system-wide maintenance plan,
 - Developing and connecting the trail-system,
 - Increasing park and trail awareness,
 - Providing communications and marketing materials in Spanish,
 - And improving the design and amenities within the existing parks.

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1.1 Summary

This is Warrenton’s first Parks Master Plan. It is designed to guide development of the City parks system over the next 20 years (from 2010 until 2030). This iteration of the Plan is the 2020 update to the original Parks Master Plan, adopted by City Commission in 2010.

A parks master plan is a long-term vision and plan of action for a community’s parks system. This plan identifies strategies and techniques for the operation and development of parks, land acquisition, and funding.

Through the implementation of this plan, the City of Warrenton will continue improving the service and quality of its parks to meet the needs of current and future residents.

See Figure 1.1 for a snapshot of the goals for Warrenton’s park and trail system.

Figure 1.1: Warrenton Parks & Recreation Goals

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- Goal 1: Park Awareness & Outreach
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 - Goal 5: Parkland Acquisition
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1.2 Purpose

The Parks Master Plan (PMP) establishes a vision for Warrenton's parks system and presents recommendations for the continued provision of quality park facilities.

The Plan is intended to facilitate the continued growth of Warrenton's unique park assets. The Parks Master Plan seeks to identify new opportunities for development and meet the growing needs of residents over the next 20 years.

The PMP is intended to be a living, working document to be used and updated on a regular basis.



A bicyclist enjoying the Warrenton Waterfront Trail map at Carruthers Park.

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1.3 Public Involvement

Parks Advisory Board

Provided feedback and historical context during bimonthly meetings and two work sessions.

Community Outreach

Fall 2019 Harvest Festival survey: 54 responses

Project Website: 113 visitors

Cross promoted with community partners: Warrenton-Hammond Healthy Kids, Inc.; Warrenton Kiwanis; Seniors Brunch; City of Warrenton Facebook page

Online Survey, Nov.—Dec. 2019: 82 responses

Storytime at the Warrenton Community Library, February 2020: 15 attended

City's Facebook Page | Park Specific Posts: 304 digital interactions

Two public meetings: 23 attended

Stakeholder interviews: 5 interviews

Internal Steering Committee

Reviewed marketing materials, public involvement plans, and other documents throughout the process.

Public Works Staff

Provided feedback and historical context throughout the process and assisted with the creation of the Maintenance & Operations Plan, the GIS maps of the parks system, and historical context.

City Commission

Provided feedback during a work session and a regular public meeting.

Northwest Coast Trails Coalition (NCTC)

Provided historical context during two NCTC board meetings.

596

Residents Participated

51%

Interacted through
Facebook

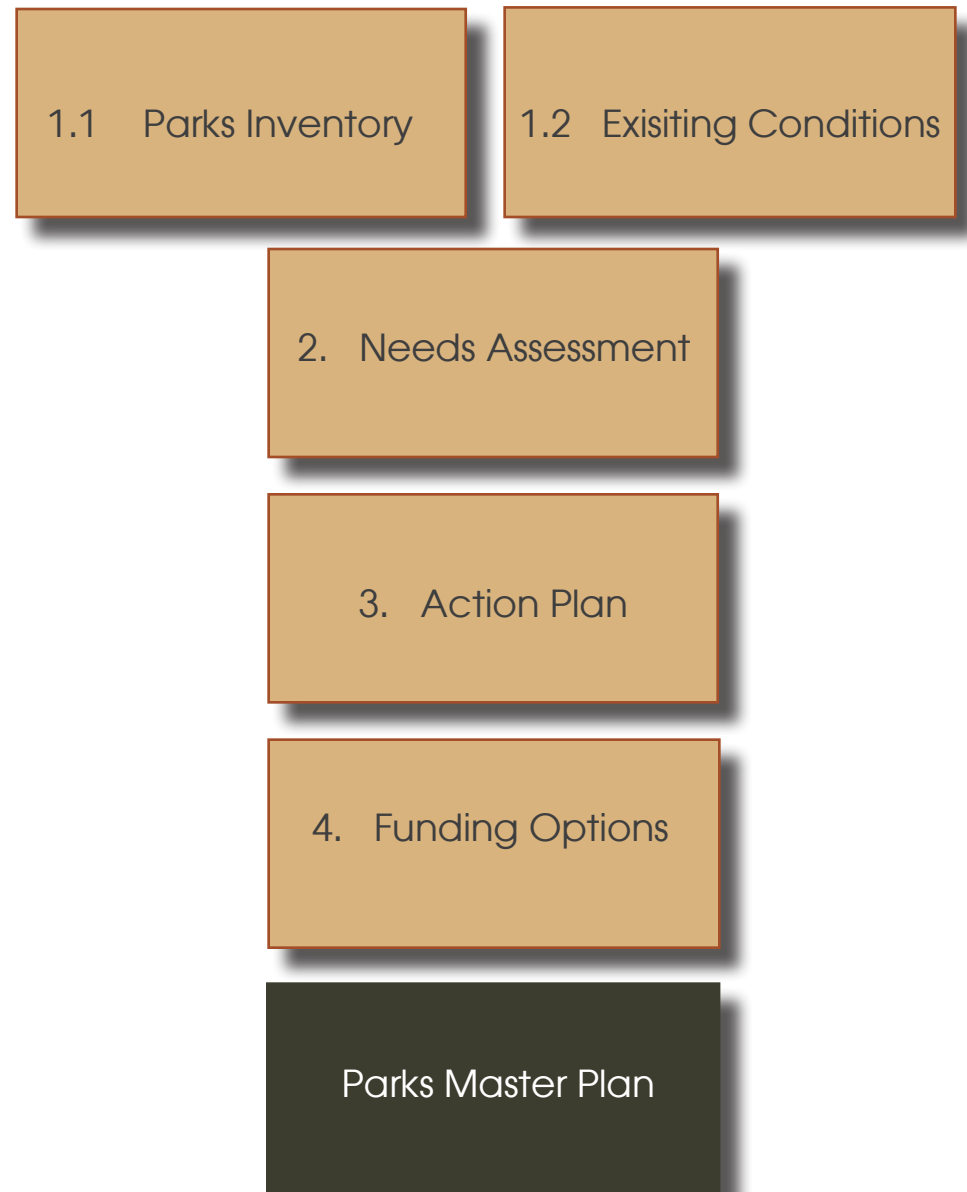
The amount of folks who participated in the planning process via social media shows us that **Facebook and other platforms can be used to increase park and trail awareness**, as well as engage residents in public processes.

1.4 Parks Planning Process

This Parks Master Plan utilizes a “systems” approach for the planning process, as recommended by the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA).

The systems approach places local values and needs first and provides a framework for creating a parks system that physically meets those values and needs. The planning process is outlined in four phases, as detailed in Figure 1.2

Figure 1.2: Systems approach to Park Planning



1.5 Related Plans

The following planning documents are useful to consider, as they relate directly to goals outlined in this Parks Master Plan. The recommendations of these related plans impact the shape and character of Warrenton, specifically through transportation and environmental improvements.

City of Warrenton Plans

Warrenton Comprehensive Plan

- Fort Stevens State Park and Camp Kiwanilong are recreational assets.
- Trail system serves as a multi-modal transportation system.

Warrenton Downtown-Marina Master Plan

- Never officially adopted.
- Plans to be connected and characterized by parks and open spaces.
- Natural elements in the downtown area and improvements to Skipanon River Park.

Warrenton Urban Renewal District Plan

- Improve economic health through multiple improvements including recreating.
- Develop downtown with bike and pedestrian trails, portals, trailheads.
- Focuses on connectivity.
- Amended in 2019 and continues to advocate for parks related projects.

Warrenton Transportation System Plan

- Addresses connectivity, mobility, and physical environment within our parks and trails system and surrounding areas.

Warrenton Trails Master Plan

- Provide trail connections for residents to recreate.
- Increase access to the trail system.
- Encourage trail use by schools for science education and athletic training.

Relationship to Other Plans

Fort Stevens State Park Master Plan

Identifies:

- Desired lands for acquisition
- Partnership agreements
- Budget and management priorities
- Detailed development and management guidelines

The plan relates to the Warrenton trail connections and land use partnerships through the following goals:

Goal 3: Enhance Park Visitation & Partnerships

Goal 4: Provide for Future Recreational Needs

Goal 5: Improve State Park Access and Orientation

Goal 7: Outside the Park



Relationship to Other Plans

Oregon Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP)

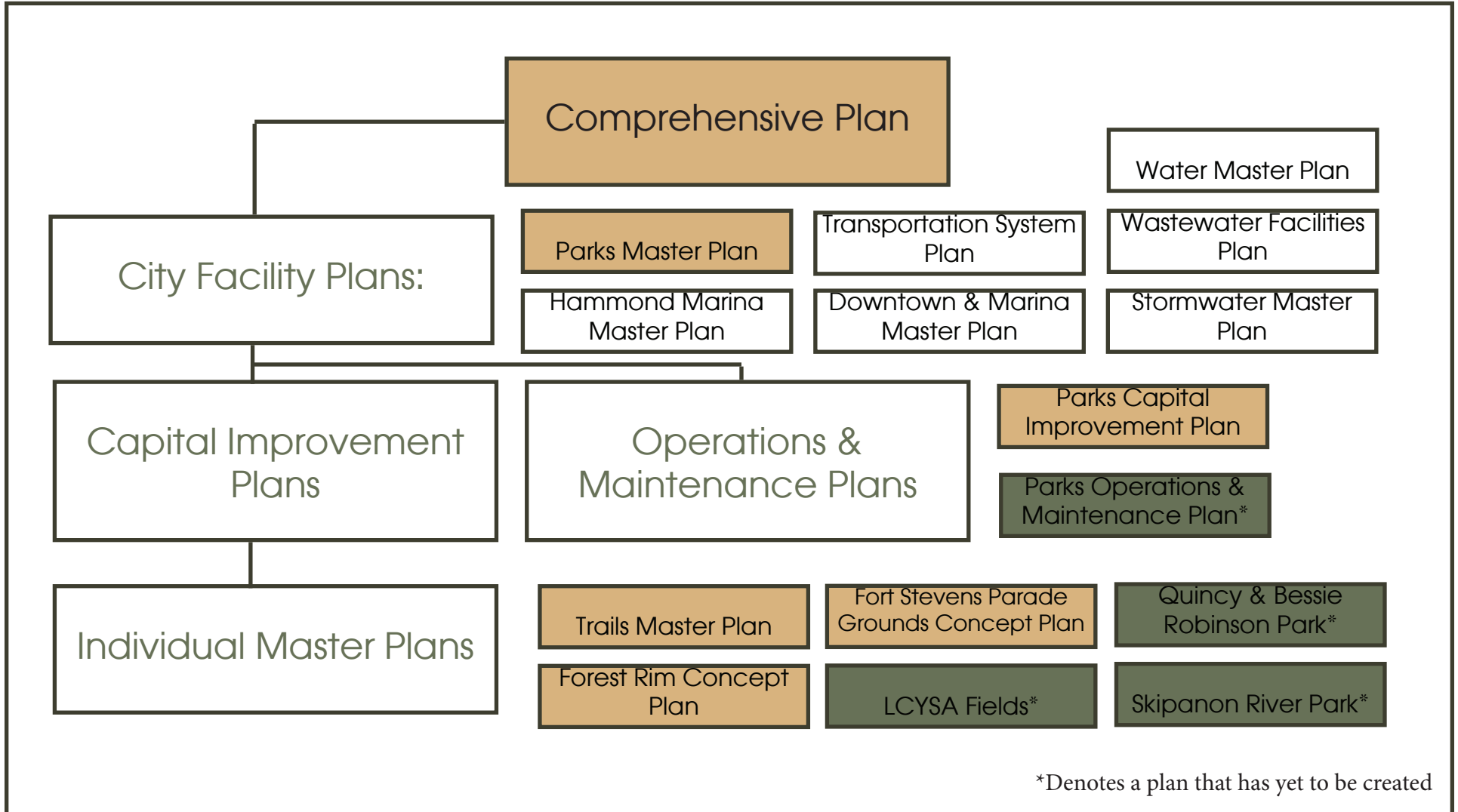
A five year plan that focuses on the changing demographics and recreational needs for the State of Oregon.

The Oregon SCORP recommendations include:

- Developing additional accessible recreational trails
- Funding innovative park designs that connect youth with nature
- Access to sports fields for under-represented and marginalized populations
- Identifying funding for recreation maintenance and facility development on school grounds



Table 1.1: Organization of City of Warrenton Plans



*Denotes a plan that has yet to be created

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- 2.1 Populations, Growth Rate, & Projections**
- 2.2 Economic Indicators**
- 2.3 Race, Origin, & Language**

2.1 Populations, Growth Rate, & Projections

Warrenton is one of Oregon's smaller incorporated communities with a population of 5,453, according to the 2018 United States Census Bureau. The adjacent cities, Astoria and Seaside, have populations of 9,976 and 6,795 residents respectively. Each of these coastal communities can expect their populations to triple or quadruple during the summer due to the influx of tourists on the north coast.

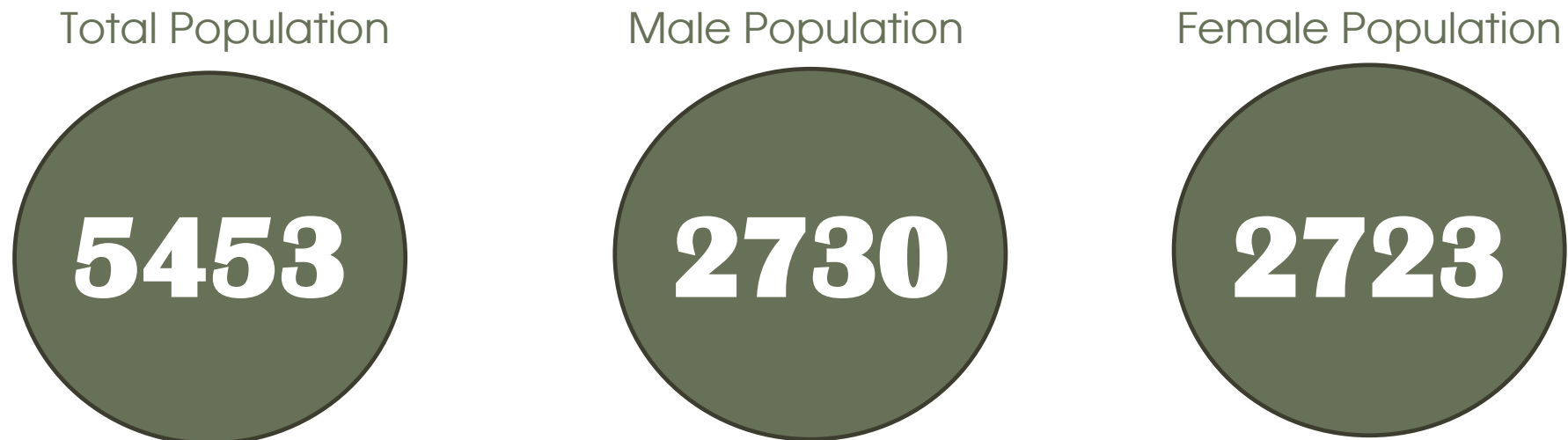
Warrenton's population can be segmented into a few general categories, as defined by ESRI's Tapestry:

Parks & Rec: Married couples with single family homes who like to take advantage of local parks and gyms.

The Great Outdoors: Married couples in modest single family homes.

Valley Growers: Young, Hispanic (often Mexican) families with children who frequently live intergenerationally. More homes are rented than owned.

Figure 2.1: Population Demographics | City of Warrenton, Clatsop County, OR



Age Profile

The median age of Warrenton residents is 36 years old. 65 and over crowd make up the largest age group followed closely by the 25-34 age group. This shows that Warrenton is an attractive place for young families and well-established retirees.

Similar to state and national trends, Warrenton’s retired and elderly population is growing. Services specific to the needs and interests of these groups should be considered.

Table 2.1: Age Profile | City of Warrenton, Clatsop County, OR

Age Profile City of Warrenton, Clatsop County, OR 2018		
	Number	Percent of Population
Under 5	399	7.3%
5-9	354	6.5%
10-14	368	6.7%
15-19	310	5.7%
20-24	324	5.9%
25-35	850	15.6%
45-54	697	12.8%
55-59	595	10.9%
60	313	5.7%
64	334	6.1%
65 and over	909	16.7%
Median age	36	(X)

Numbers and percentages based on 2018 US Census

Bureau Data

1.8%

Warrenton's population has increased at a steady rate of 1.8% for the past 15 years

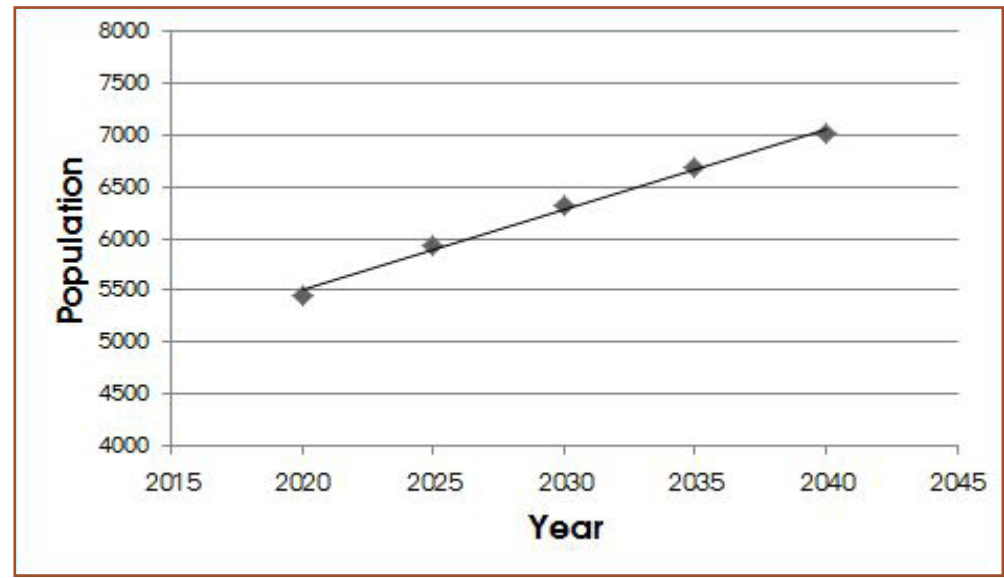
3%

Clatsop County's projected population growth: 2020-2030

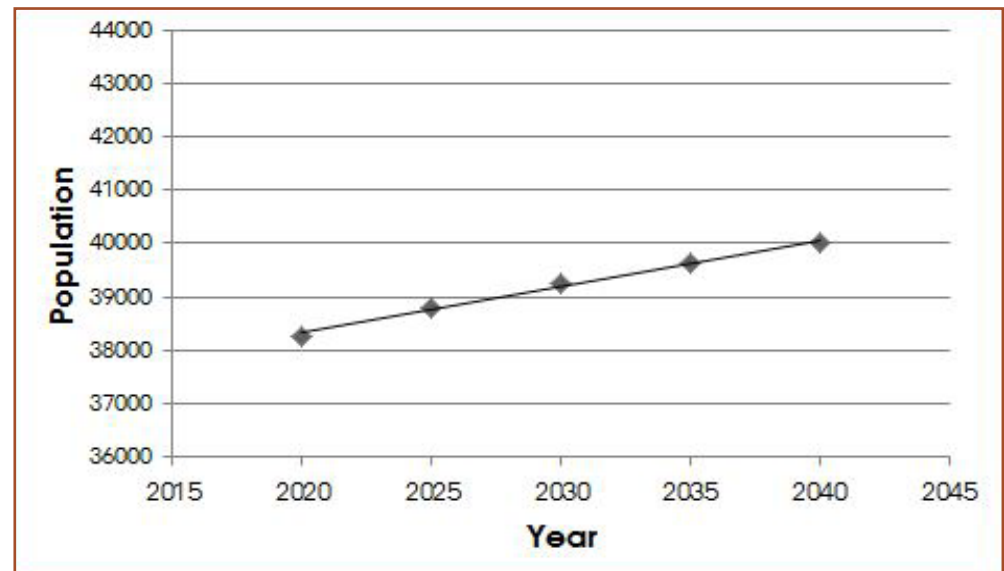
13%

Warrenton's projected population growth: 2020-2030

Projected Population Growth: Warrenton



Projected Population Growth: Clatsop County



2.2 Economic Indicators

Economic indicators are important to consider when establishing fees and developing cost-saving opportunities for the parks system. Warrenton is growing and attracting skilled laborers and professionals beginning their careers.

It is important to plan for providing recreation opportunities to young adults and their families. Playgrounds that encourage co-play, or parents playing alongside their children, is one example of such recreation opportunity. According to the National Parks and Recreation Association (NPRA), attachment to your community is directly related to environmental aesthetics and recreation opportunities. Parks and trails serve as a way to attract and retain residents.



Average Household Size: 2.62

On par with county, state, and national trends.



Median Household Income: \$54,554

On par with county trends. Slightly below state and national average (~\$60,000).

Residents Living Below the Poverty Line: 5.9%

Below average within the county (12.2%), state (13.8%), and nation (11.8%)



Financial Optimists: 39%

Highlights the percentage of residents who believe their financial situation will improve within the next 5 years. Not comparable to other geographic locations.

2.3 Race, Origin, & Language

We are able to provide better customer service and recreation opportunities when we know who we are serving and how our folks choose to engage in our parks system. Warrenton's residents are primarily white and speak English as their first language, however we have a growing Hispanic and Latinx population we must also consider when planning for our parks system.

Organized youth sports, picnic pavilions, and connectivity through trails systems are identified by the NPRA as desired amenities for both racial groups.

Warrenton should also consider providing communication and promotional materials in English and Spanish.

81.3%

White alone, not
Hispanic or Latinx

13.5%

Hispanic or Latinx

4.6%

Foreign Born
Residents

6.8%

Speak English as a
Second Language

Numbers and percentages based on 2018 US Census Bureau Data

Chapter 3: Park System

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3.1 Introduction

Organization & Staffing

The City of Warrenton owns and operates 13 parks and over 10 miles of trails. The Parks Advisory Board consists of seven board members who make recommendations concerning the parks and trails system to City Commission.

Funding

Funding for the parks and trails system comes from a variety of sources. Our parks are able to budget a percentage from the General Fund each year for maintenance and park improvements. Other City departments, such as Police, are also funded from the General Fund.

New residential developments must pay a Parks System Development Charge (SDC) based on a fee schedule. Parks SDC funds are allocated solely for parkland acquisition.

A large majority of parks projects are funded through the

Quincy & Bessie Robinson Trust Fund. These monies may be used for parkland acquisition and development, but may not be used for maintenance.

A small portion of park and trail projects have been funded through grants however, current staff capacity does not support writing for grants.

The City should strongly consider creating a dedicated park fund for maintenance of parks and trails.

Maintenance

Park maintenance is completed by Public Works, outside contractors, and community volunteers groups. The City does not have a Parks Maintenance & Operations Plan or a Parks Maintenance Schedule.

The City should strongly consider developing these plans.

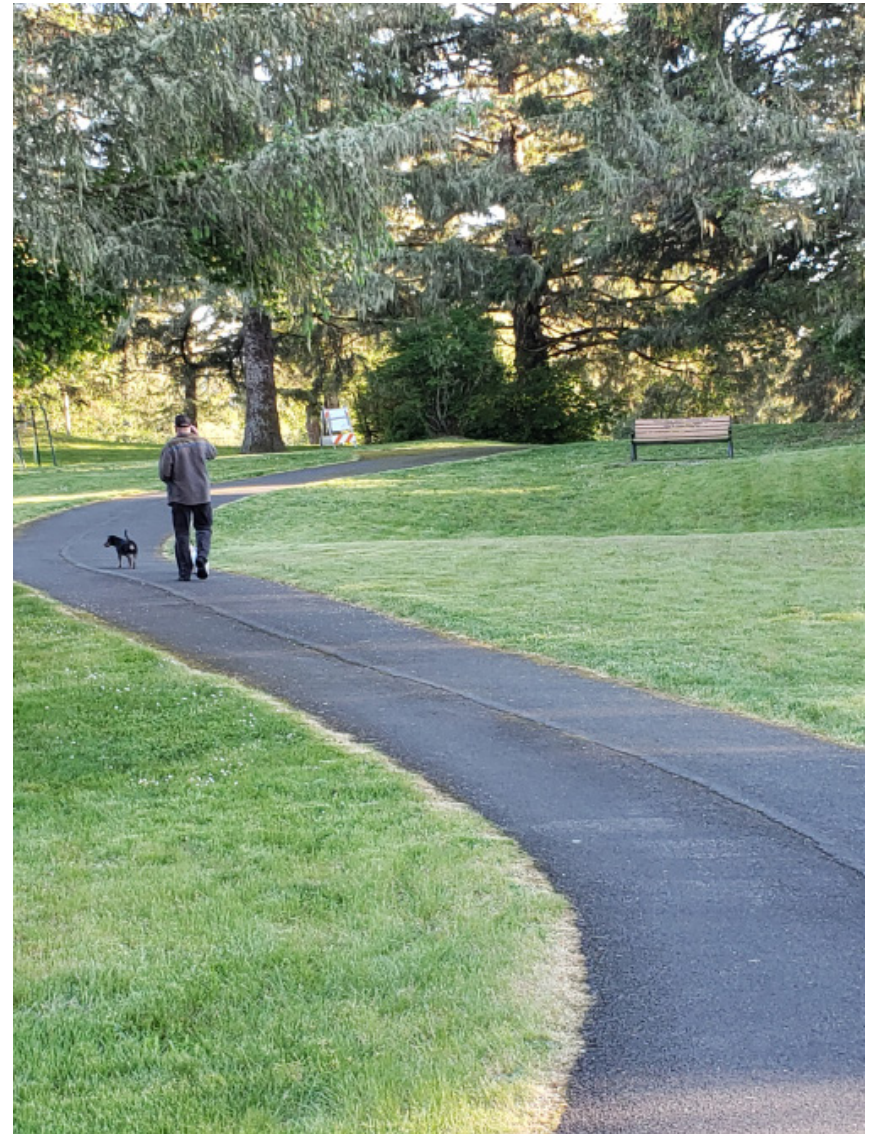
3.2 Parkland & Trails

The classification system outlined in the Oregon Statewide Comprehensive Recreation Plan (SCORP) provides park and recreation providers with guidelines for achieving a manageable and effective park system.

Each park is assigned a classification based on its size*, function, and amenities. The guidelines assist recreation providers in identifying the appropriate level of service and recognize underserved areas.

Park Classifications for Warrenton:

- Community Parks
- Neighborhood Parks
- Pocket Parks
- Special Use Parks
- Linear Parks
- Trails, Pathways, & Bikeways





Quincy & Bessie Robinson Park

Community Park

Location: 300 SW Alder Avenue

Acreage: 9.8 acres

Use: High

Condition: Good

Amenities: Parking, Irrigation system, Basketball courts (2 full), Baseball/Softball fields (3.5), Dugouts, Batting cage, Tennis court, Play structure (2), Community Center, Community Garden, Shelter, Restrooms, Concession stand, Picnic tables, Soil storage area, Dogipot



Eben H. Carruthers Memorial Park

Community Park

Location: 1560 NW Warrenton Drive

Acreage: 5.5 acres

Use: High

Condition: Fair to Good. The viewing dock, pavilion, and playground are in poor condition but the dog park and restrooms are good.

Amenities: Parking, Park Host Site, Irrigation, Waterfront Trail access, Restrooms, Memorial bench (2), Dog park, Lighting, Picnic tables, Dogipot



Seafarer's Park

Community Park

Location: Hammond Marina on Lake Drive

Acreage: 5.6 acres

Use: High

Condition: Fair; Pavilion, roadway, and lawn needs work

Amenities: Parking, Gazebo, Marina, Benches (3), Memorial, Waterfront Trail access, Dogipot



LCYSA Soccer Fields

Community Park

Location: 550 SW Ridge Road

Acreage: 12.8

Use: High

Condition: Good

Amenities: Parking (3 lots), Soccer fields (3), Play structure, Concession stand, Scoreboard, Moveable goals (8), Dugouts, Memorial, Lighting (Field 2), Maintenance shed (2), Irrigation, Maintenance equipment, Dogipot



Fort Stevens Parade Grounds

Neighborhood Park

Location: Russell Drive & Russell Place

Acreage: 2.3 acres

Use: High

Condition: Fair; Playstructure and volleyball court need improvements, sticky grass should be removed

Amenities: Parking, Playground, Dogipot



Skipanon River Park

Neighborhood Park

Location: 3rd Street & along the Skipanon River

Acreage: 1.4 acres

Use: Medium

Condition: Good

Amenities: Parking, Picnic table (2), Kayak dock, Pedestrian ramp, Bench, Dogipot, Waterfront Trailhead, Paved trail



Forest Rim

Neighborhood Park

Location: 1651 SE Honeysuckle Loop

Acreage: 3.0 acres

Use: NA

Condition: Planned but still undeveloped

Amenities: NA

Chelsea Gardens

Neighborhood Park

Location: Chelsea Gardens Neighborhood

Acreage: NA

Use: NA

Condition: Proposed

Amenities: NA

Library Park

Pocket Park

Location: 861 Sixth Avenue

Acreage: 0.7 acres

Use: Low

Condition: Good

Amenities: Parking, Playground, Shed, Bench, Planter pots (2)



Hammond Community Garden

Special Use Park

Location: Pacific Drive, 400 block

Acreage: 0.1 acres

Use: High

Condition: Good; Privately owned and leased to the City

Amenities: Raised beds, Storage shed, Water source

Warrenton Memorial Plaza

Special Use Park

Location: 99 S. Main Avenue

Acreage: 0.3 acres

Use: Medium

Condition: Good; Restored in 2019 through a partnership with Warrenton VFW and Warrenton Urban Renewal

Amenities: Memorials (3), Flags (6), Bench, Landscaping, Irrigation, Parking, Lighting



Tansy Point

Special Use Park

Location: NW 13th Street

Acreage: 1.0 acres

Use: Medium

Condition: Good

Amenities: Bench, Round-about, Waterfront Trail access, Dogipot

Triangle Park

Special Use Park

Location: Pacific Drive & 7th Avenue in Hammond

Acreage: 0.2 acres

Use: Low

Condition: Fair

Amenities: Statue



Pacific Drive Park

Linear Park

Location: Separates Pacific Drive & Sixth Avenue in Hammond

Acreage: 1.0 acres

Use: Medium

Condition: Fair

Amenities: Planters (2), Flowering trees, Historic bell



Warrenton Waterfront Trail

Trail

Trailhead Location: NE 1st Street to Tansy Point

Length: 5 miles

Use: High

Surface: Paved



Skipanon River Trails

Trail

Trailhead Location: SE 3rd Street

Length: 2.5 miles

Use: High

Surface: Paved



Airport Dike Trail

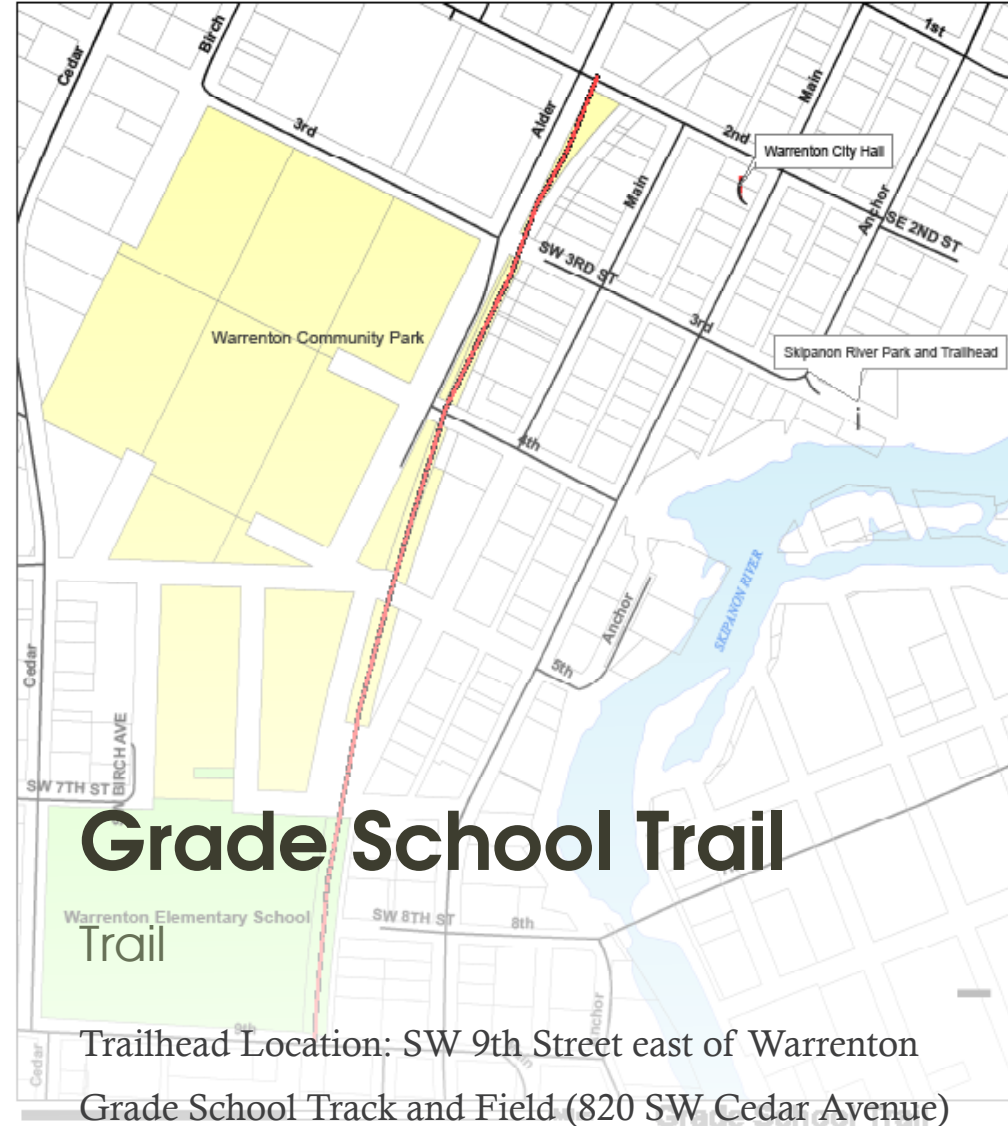
Trail

Trailhead Location: Hwy 101 Business at the Lewis and Clark River to Hwy 101 at the Youngs Bay Bridge

Length: 6 miles

Use: High

Surface: Unimproved, along the dike



Grade School Trail

Trailhead Location: SW 9th Street east of Warrenton Grade School Track and Field (820 SW Cedar Avenue)

Length: 0.25 miles

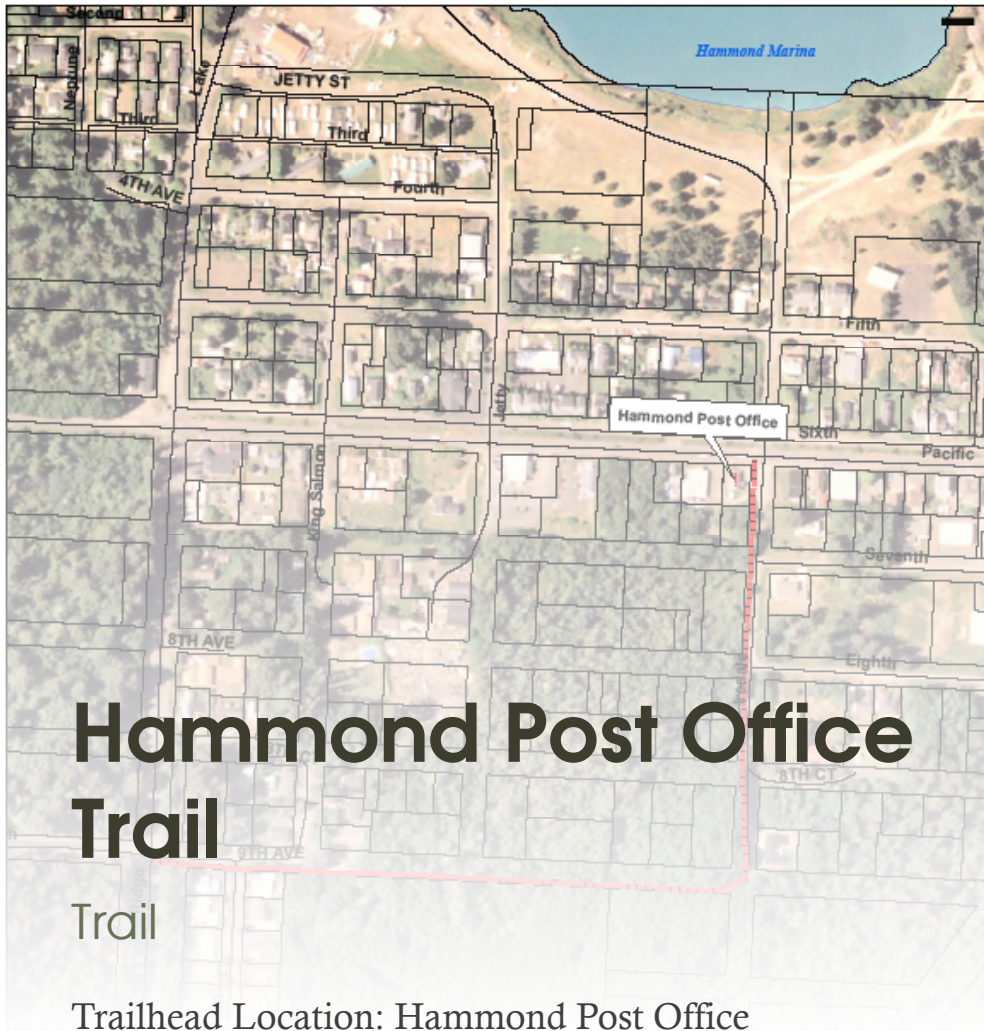
Use: Medium

Surface: Crushed gravel

Legend
 — Warrenton Grade School Trail
Adjacent Land Ownership
 Warrenton City Of
 Warrenton School District

Scale
 0 0.125 0.25

Map Info
 Warrenton, Oregon
 Feb. 2008



Hammond Post Office Trail

Trail

Trailhead Location: Hammond Post Office

Length: 0.2 miles

Use: Low

Surface: Unimproved, along the platted 9th Ave in Hammond



Delaura Beach Trail

Trail

Trailhead Location: Delaura Beach Road

Length: 2.3 miles

Use: Medium

Surface: Unimproved, portions along roadway

3.3 Level of Service Analysis

Level of Service (LOS) standards are measures of the amount of public recreation parkland and facilities being provided to meet a jurisdiction's basic needs and expectation. Those needs and expectations are up to each provider to establish, through planning, visioning, and community input.

LOS standards are determined by comparing the existing ratio of developed park acres per 1,000 residents to either the standards set by SCORP or the jurisdiction's desired level of parks relative to population. The results will show a deficit, surplus, or appropriate level of service per park category and amenity. See Table 3.1: Community Parklands LOS Analysis on page 37 and Table 3.2: Community Facility LOS Analysis on page 38.

Park and recreation facilities provided by outside agencies within the same jurisdiction are commonly factored in to

LOS calculation. LOS standards are also crucial for a jurisdiction to measure equitable access to park facilities (such as by walking, biking, or public transportation).

As a jurisdiction's population grows, park acreage and amenities should also be expanded to maintain the expected LOS set by the community.

An LOS map will show areas in need of additional recreation facilities. The City should consider acquiring parkland in these areas to meet the LOS standards and provide equitable access to residents.

Table 3.1: Community Parklands LOS Analysis

Parkland Classification	Total Acres in Community	Current Community LOS for Parkland (Acres/1,000 population)	Recommended Oregon LOS Standard	Results
Community Parks	33.7	6.18	2.0 to 6.0	Surplus
Neighborhood Parks	3.7	0.68	1.0 to 2.0	Deficit
Pocket Parks	0.7	0.13	0.25 to 0.50	Deficit
Special Use Parks	2.5	0.46	No guideline	NA
Linear Parks	1.0	0.18	0.5 to 1.5	Deficit
Trails, Pathways, and Bikeways	~17 (miles)	3.12 (miles)	0.5 to 1.5	Surplus
Total Acres	41.6	7.63	6.25 to 15.0	Appropriate

Consider increasing the number of Neighborhood, Pocket, and Linear Parks to meet the LOS standard.

Table 3.2: Community Facility LOS Analysis

Facility Type	Total Facilities in Community	Current Community LOS for Facility (Facility/1,000 population)	Recommended Oregon LOS Standard	Results
Baseball/Softball Fields	4	7.3	0.2	Surplus
Volleyball Courts	0	0	0.2	Deficit
Basketball/Multi-use	2	0.37	0.2	Surplus
Soccer Fields	3	0.55	0.2	Surplus
Playgrounds	4	0.73	0.4	Surplus
Picnic Shelters	2	0.37	0.3	Surplus
Off-Leash Dog Parks	1	0.18	0.04	Surplus

Consider increasing the number of volleyball courts to meet the LOS standard.

3.4 Additional Facilities

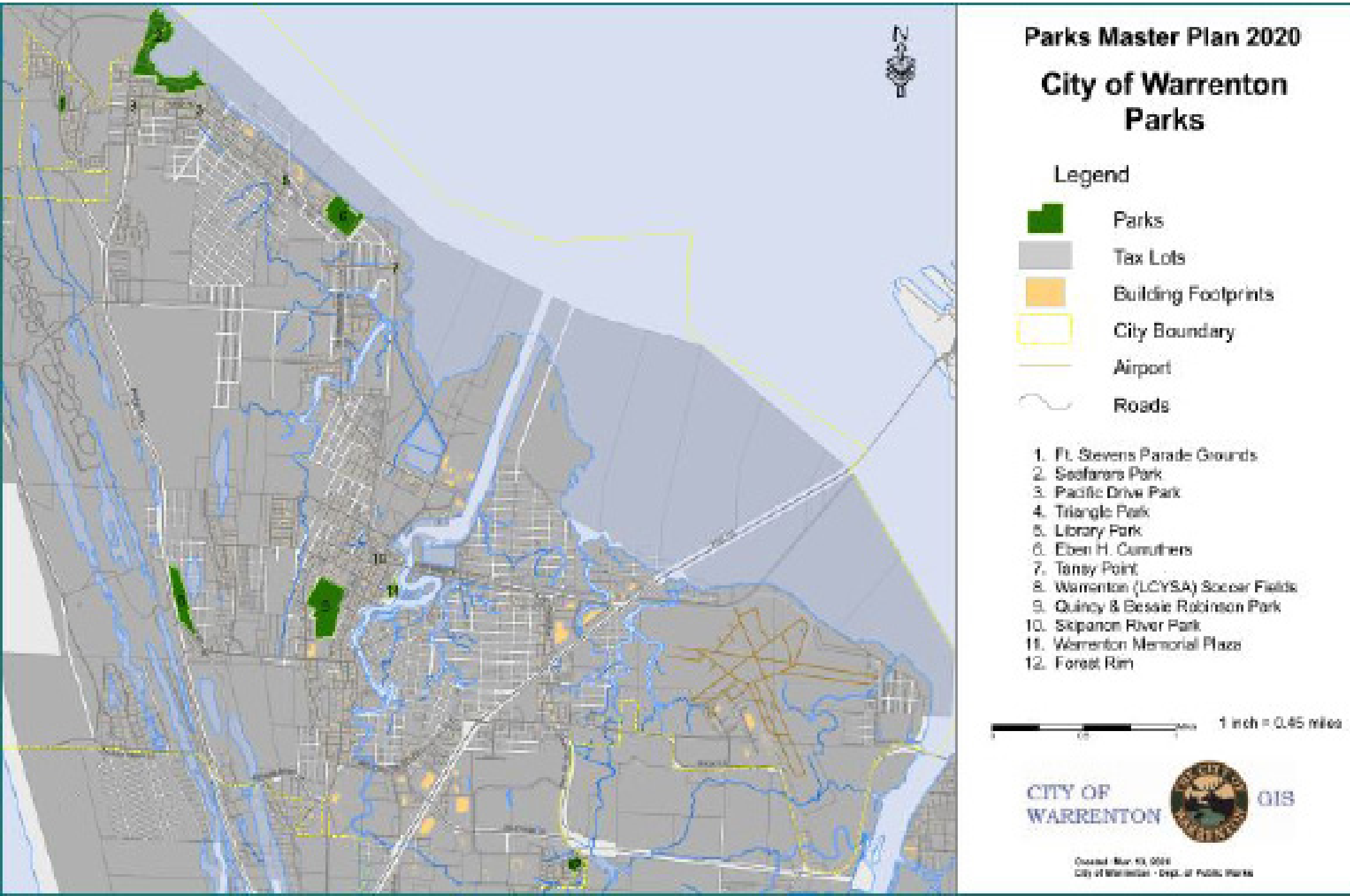
The following recreation facilities are located within Warrenton’s UGB or a five mile radius of the City’s UGB. These facilities have been used to calculate the LOS of Warrenton’s park system.

By calculating all the recreation opportunities within a five mile radius, recreation providers are able to more accurately represent the strengths and gaps in service within the community.

Table 3.3: Additional Facilities

Park Name	Manager	Amenities
Fort Stevens State Park	Oregon Parks and Recreation Department	Campsites, RV Facilities, Artifacts, Swimming, Trails, Historic facilities
Warrenton KOA	Kampgrounds of America	Indoor pool, Playground, Campsites, Volleyball court, Indoor recreation
Lewis and Clark National Historical Park	National Parks Service	Fort Clatsop Replica, Trails, Exhibit Hall
Lighthouse Park	Private Ownership	Memorial, Model lighthouse, Picnic Tables
Kamper’s West RV Park	Private Ownership	RV Facilities, Fish cleaning pavilion
Cullaby Lake & Carnahan Park	Clatsop County	Boat Launch, BBQ pits, Playground, Swimming, Nature observation
Astoria Aquatic Center	City of Astoria	Indoor pool, Fitness center
Tapiola Skate Park	City of Astoria	Concrete skate park, Restrooms

Map 3.1: City of Warrenton Parks System



Chapter 4: Needs Assessment

- 4.1 Community & Staff Needs
- 4.2 Local, State, & National Trends
- 4.3 Peer Community Analysis

4.1 Community & Staff Needs

A needs assessment is a tool that recreation providers can utilize in their future planning efforts. It is comprised of community and staff needs, as well as local, state, and national trends in recreation. The following is a list of the top ten highest rated community needs.

Community Needs

1. Maintenance on current parks
2. Trail connections
3. Improved amenities & design in parks
4. Community events
5. Park & trail awareness
6. More communication & marketing materials
7. Accessibility and safety improvements
8. Increase funding & partnerships
9. Covered/all-weather recreation spaces
10. Second dog park

Rating was done on a scale of 1-5 and an average score was calculated for each need. We received a total of 164 responses to the questionnaire through a survey, stakeholder interviews, and community forums.

In addition to the community needs, we must also address the needs of our staff who work to satisfy the needs of the community. Staff needs were developed from five staff interviews and multiple Park Advisory Board meetings.

It is important to note that without satisfying staff needs first, community needs may not be met.

Staff Needs

1. Dedicated parks funding
2. Dedicated parks staff and increased capacity
3. Individual Master Plans for parks

4.2 Local, State, & National Trends

A useful method for assessing parks and recreation need is research of local, state, and national trends in the industry. This provides a glimpse into what and how facilities and services are provided by other parks and recreation agencies. This information can be used when determining Warrenton's future parks and trails system needs.

Local Trends

The Oregon State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) identifies county-specific needs based on extensive survey data.

For Clatsop County, the following priorities were identified:

1. Urban bike paths (separate from street traffic)
2. Community trail system
3. Picnic areas and shelters for large visitor groups
4. Restrooms
5. Interpretive displays

State Trends

The Oregon SCORP addresses five important demographic and societal changes facing outdoor recreation providers in the coming years.

Statewide trends show:

1. An aging population
2. An increasingly diverse population
3. Lack of youth engagement in outdoor recreation
4. An underserved, low-income population
5. Recognition of the health benefits of physical activity

The City will increase their chances of receiving a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) or Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) grant if projects address these trends.

National Trends

The National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) Agency Performance Review compiles data from parks and recreation providers nation-wide. This report is a useful tool for benchmarking Warrenton's recreational offerings. The following is a comparison of Warrenton's park system with nationwide median values for agencies serving jurisdictions with populations under 20,000:

Number of park facilities:

Nation: 1,300 residents per park

Warrenton: 459 residents per park

Acres of parkland:

Nation: 12.0 acres per 1,000 residents

Warrenton: 8.0 acres per 1,000 residents

Full time equivalent (FTE):

Nation: 10.0 FTE

Warrenton: 0.53 FTE

These findings demonstrate that;

- (1) Warrenton has more park facilities available to residents;
- (2) The total acres of parkland in Warrenton is similar to the national median for jurisdiction under 20,000 residents;
- (3) Warrenton's FTE is dramatically below the national median.

The FTE finding underscores the City's need, outlined in 4.1, to have a dedicated parks staff and increase staffing.

4.3 Peer Community Analysis

A Peer Community Analysis is a tool used by recreation providers to compare the service they provide to other similar communities.

Four Oregon parks and recreation providers were identified. Lincoln City, Brookings, Talent, and Seaside were selected as peer communities because of the similarities in population, region, geography, jurisdiction type, and tourism.

Only developed parkland is included in the Peer Community Analysis. The analysis also excludes special use parks.

Shown by Table 4.1: Warrenton Peer Community Analysis, Warrenton has the smallest population but has more developed parkland than Talent and Seaside.

Table 4.1: Warrenton Peer Community Analysis

Warrenton Peer Community Analysis			
City	Developed Park Acreage	2018 Population*	Developed Parkland per 1,000 residents
Lincoln City	90.3	8905	10.1
Brookings	55.5	6440	8.6
Warrenton	38.1	5453	7.0
Talent	17.0	6492	2.6
Seaside	4.1	6707	2.1

*Populations based on 2018 US Census Bureau Data

Chapter 5: Vision, Goals, & Recommendations

- 5.1 Introduction & Vision
- 5.2 Goals & Objectives
- 5.3 Recommendations

5.1 Introduction & Vision

The nine goals and 28 objectives described below form the planning framework for Warrenton to address population growth, demographic changes, recreation trends, and the overall desires of Warrenton residents. These goals and objectives serve as the link between the park and recreation needs of the community and the recommendations for park system improvements.

Vision

The vision for Warrenton's parks and trails system was created by the community in 2010.

“We envision a parks system that enhances the livability of Warrenton while building out community's health, wellness, and quality of life. Our parks system will promote social, cultural, and historical activities while providing a natural environment for the enjoyment of all residents and visitors. The City of Warrenton recognizes the boost in human and social capital parks improvement and maintenance projects will provide its residents.”

Figure 1.1: Warrenton Park & Recreation Goals

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- Goal 1: Park Awareness & Outreach
 - Goal 2: Safety & Access
 - Goal 3: Funding & Partnerships
 - Goal 4: Park Maintenance & Operations
 - Goal 5: Parkland Acquisition
 - Goal 6: Parks Planning
 - Goal 7: Amenities & Design
 - Goal 8: Community Events
 - Goal 9: Recreation

5.2 Goals & Objectives

A goal is a broad statement that seeks to guide progress. An objective is a specific and measurable task that helps to further the progress towards a goal. The following are goals and the accompanying objectives.

Goal 1: Park Awareness and Outreach

Develop and implement park awareness and outreach strategies to inform residents and visitors about parks system.

Objective 1.1: Promote community awareness, education, and outreach of the parks system.

Objective 1.2: Create an outreach program that incorporates community groups and the school district to promote education of Warrenton's natural features showcased in parks.

Objective 1.3: Provide opportunities for community involvement in parks operations and maintenance.

Goal 2: Safety and Access

Operate park facilities that are safe and accessible for the entire community.

Objective 2.1: Design all new park facilities with user safety as a top priority.

Objective 2.2: Replace existing amenities that are outdated.

Objective 2.3: Improve park accessibility for all residents (e.g. paths and sidewalks).

Goal 3: Funding and Partnerships

Evaluate and establish new mechanisms for funding existing and future park and recreation facilities while strengthening relationships between the City of Warrenton and other partners.

Objective 3.1: Identify and secure appropriate funding sources for operations, parks maintenance, and parkland acquisition.

Objective 3.2: Review and adjust the Systems Development Charge rate on a regular basis to allow the City to expand and develop its parks system while meeting its park goals and objectives.

Objective 3.3: Develop partnerships with land trusts and private entities that have an interest providing recreation opportunities and/or natural resource protection and preservation.

Goal 4: Park Maintenance and Operations

Manage and operate all sites to maintain a safe and efficient parks system.

Objective 4.1: Upgrade and/or replace facilities or equipment that are in poor condition (i.e. restrooms, playground equipment, ball fields, picnic facilities, etc.)

Objective 4.2: Increase staffing for maintenance and operations.

Objective 4.3: Update and implement the Adopt-A-Park/Trail program.

Goal 5: Parkland Acquisition

Acquire additional parkland to ensure that all areas of the city are adequately served by park facilities.

Objective 5.1: Acquire parkland in areas within the UGB that are currently underserved by parks.

Objective 5.2: Ensure that land acquired through purchase or dedication meets the City's parkland acquisition standards.

Goal 6: Parks Planning

Establish a coordinated process for parks planning, park acquisition, and development that involves residents and community groups as well as the Parks Advisory Board and the City staff.

Objective 6.1: Engage stakeholder groups, community members, and other local regional recreation providers in the parks planning process.

Objective 6.2: Update the Parks Master Plan every five to ten years to ensure that it continues to reflect the needs and desires of the community.

Objective 6.3: Coordinate development of community bike paths and pathways with Transportation System Plan updates.

Objective 6.4: Complete trail connections in coordination with the Warrenton Trails Plan (2008).

Goal 7: Amenities and Design

Design and manage City parks to provide an attractive, pleasing, and enjoyable environment for residents.

Objective 7.1: Implement design standards when planning for parks.

Objective 7.2: Review identified community needs and current recreation trends prior to new park development and future park enhancement projects.

Objective 7.3: Update and replace aging amenities as needed with new amenities that are safe and aesthetically pleasing.

Objective 7.4: Enhance landscaping and natural resources within parks as additional funding for park maintenance is available.

Objective 7.5: Ensure that all parks, existing and future, are accessible to everyone and in compliance with ADA requirements.

Goal 8: Community Events

Develop community event areas within Quincy and Bessie Robinson Community Park and Seafarer's Park to provide opportunities for community cultural and recreational events that attract large gatherings.

Objective 8.1: Incorporate elements in the design of Quincy and Bessie Robinson Community Park that can be used for concerts, gatherings, and festivals, such as the 4th of July.

Objective 8.2: Incorporate elements in the design of Seafarer's Park that can be used for community gatherings and events.

Objective 8.3: Promote cultural activities and events that attract residents and visitors to the downtown area.

Goal 9: Recreation

Enhance the types of recreation opportunities to include people of differing age groups and backgrounds.

Objective 9.1: Provide appropriate recreation opportunities for specific ages in Warrenton (children, elderly, disabled, etc.).

Objective 9.2: Support the expanding needs of Warrenton's diverse population.

5.3 Recommendations

Recommendations are the result of a thorough analysis of Warrenton’s current and future parks and trails. Additionally, the recommendations take into account the current and future recreational needs established through broad community input as well as analysis of local, state, and national trends.

Recommendations are divided into six categories:

- (1) Parkland acquisition,
- (2) Parkland development,
- (3) Park specific,
- (4) 2020 recommendations,
- (5) Maintenance and operations,
- (6) Communications and marketing.

The resulting recommendations provide a path for strengthening the City’s park system. They are aimed at building community while accommodating for future growth and adapting to changing needs.

Parkland Acquisition

Parkland acquisition seeks to provide equitable access to parks and recreation services for our community.

Recommendation 1.1: Acquire land for future neighborhood park use in identified underserved areas

Recommendation 1.2: Conduct a feasibility study for a multi-sport complex

Recommendation 1.3: Assess feasibility of acquisition and development of school district-owned parcel in north Warrenton as a neighborhood park

Parkland Development

Parkland development strives to provide safe, usable, and beautiful spaces for folks to spend their leisure time or actively recreate. This can be accomplished through maintenance recommendations or new construction.

Recommendation 2.1: Support trail projects proposed in the Warrenton Trails Master Plan that increase connectivity to parks

Recommendation 2.2: Construct perimeter trails in appropriate parks

Recommendation 2.3: Install directional and identification signage

Recommendation 2.4: Replace outdated play equipment in all parks

Recommendation 2.5: Install dog-waste disposal stations (dog-i-pots) in appropriate parks

Recommendation 2.6: Install community gardens in appropriate parks

Recommendation 2.7: Establish a Parks Commission or Committee to allow for direct decision making on behalf of City parks

Recommendation 2.8: Establish a dedicated parks fund, separate from public works funds, with authority for expenditures granted to the Parks Commission

Recommendation 2.9: Provide dedicated, year-round parks maintenance staff

Recommendation 2.10: Consider additional revenue-generating facilities such as an RV park to create additional funds to support the parks system

Recommendation 2.11: Improve ADA accessibility at all parks including the installation of ADA accessible surface material at existing playgrounds

Recommendation 2.12: Explore feasibility of a sand volleyball court and install a facility if appropriate

Park Specific

Park specific recommendations provide actions steps for each park in Warrenton. These recommendations were developed through a visioning process with community stakeholders in 2010. The main goal of park specific recommendations is to provide a unified vision for each park that will guide development for years to come.

Quincy & Bessie Robinson

Recommendation 3.1: Develop a concept plan and accompanying feasibility study

Recommendation 3.2: Install security lighting

Seafarer's Park

Recommendation 3.3: Develop a concept plan and feasibility study, based upon the initial concept plan, that includes improvements to parking areas, utilities, access, and restrooms

LCYSA Soccer Fields

Recommendation 3.4: Explore partnership opportunities between the City of Warrenton, Clatsop County, and LCYSA to prepare a long-term Master Plan for the development of the facility

Fort Stevens Parade Grounds

Recommendation 3.5: Install a sand volleyball court

Recommendation 3.6: Develop a concept plan to guide future development

Eben H. Carruthers Park

Recommendation 3.7: Repair river viewing area

Recommendation 3.8: Install new playground equipment

Recommendation 3.9: Plant a visual barrier along the East boundary of the property to separate the park from the sight

of the adjacent neighboring mill

Recommendation 3.10: Install adult outdoor exercise stations

Recommendation 3.11: Construct additional walking paths within the interior of the park

Skipanon River Park

Recommendation 3.12: Restore the riparian corridor along the Skipanon River

Recommendation 3.13: Install interpretive signage and materials

Recommendation 3.14: Install restrooms for users

Recommendation 3.15: Install a play structure

Warrenton Memorial Plaza

Recommendation 3.16: Form a long-term partnership with the VFW for ongoing maintenance

Tansy Point

Recommendation 3.17: Build a trail connection between Tansy Point and Carruthers Park

Recommendation 3.18: Install a central art piece, statue, or fountain

Recommendation 3.19: Install interpretive and directional signage

Recommendation 3.20: Construct parking improvements

Triangle Park

Recommendation 3.21: Install aesthetically pleasing landscape plantings

Recommendation 3.22: Install a variable message board

Recommendation 3.23: Install directional and identification signage, including acknowledgement of Hammond

Pacific Drive Park

Recommendation 3.24: Coordinate with ODOT on the installation of bollards at appropriate locations

Recommendation 3.25: Construct a stormwater bioswale*

Trails

Recommendation 3.26: Construct a trail connection to Fort Stevens

Recommendation 3.27: Construct a trail connection between the LCYSA soccer fields and downtown

**Public Works has budgeted for drainage improvements along Pacific Drive. Review the recommendation after the PW project is complete for relevancy.*

2020 Recommendations

The Parks Advisory Board (PAB) met to discuss the progress we have made since 2010. Many of the projects outlined in the 2010 Parks Master Plan have been completed, as have a handful of reactionary projects (see Appendix A.2).

The following recommendations have been added based on PAB goals and interest from the community:

Recommendation 4.1: Develop the Forest Rim Neighborhood Park

Recommendation 4.2: Create a parks compost where all organic materials from park maintenance can be composted and then reused in the parks and community gardens

Recommendation 4.3: Construct a covered, all-season recreation area

Recommendation 4.4: Build a sand volleyball court, cornhole, and horseshoe pit at Eben H. Carruthers

Recommendation 4.5: Explore the possibility of building a second dog park at Skipanon River Park

Recommendation 4.6: Plot and advertise locations for memorial benches as a way to monetize parks



Spring time on the Waterfront Trail

Communications & Marketing

Survey results and stakeholder interviews showed a strong desire for increase park and trail awareness. Parks information has traditionally been shared on the City's website and the City's Facebook page. There are still many areas with room for improvement and there is an expressed need for more effective communication with the public.

Recommendation 5.1: Provide communications and marketing material in Spanish and coordinate with local community groups, such as the Lower Columbia Hispanic Council

Recommendation 5.2: Develop and improve the *Parks and Trails* page on the City's website

Recommendation 5.3: Include a parks and trails update in each Warrenton Wire

Recommendation 5.4: Provide printed parks and trail materials at the Community Library

Recommendation 5.5: Consider creating a “#Hashtag” for Warrenton's parks and trails system that recreation users can include in their social media posts, increasing visibility

Recommendation 5.6: Cross promote parks and trails on the Astoria-Warrenton Chamber of Commerce, and Northwest Coast Trails Coalition webpages

Maintenance & Operations

Community input gathered during the 2020 planning process demonstrated that parks and recreation facilities and services greatly contributed to folks' quality of life and attachment to place. The City of Warrenton is currently operating with no dedicated parks staff, yet there are community expectations to continue to maintain and improve the parks and trails system.

Recommendation 6.1: Balance staff capacity with community expectations and LOS Benchmarks

Recommendation 6.2: Develop a Maintenance and Operations Plan

Recommendation 6.3: Create a maintenance schedule including equipment replacement/updates

Recommendation 6.4: Identify and prioritize deferred maintenance tasks

Recommendation 6.5: Incorporate maintenance costs into new development such as the Forest Rim Park or Eben H. Carruthers improvements

Recommendation 6.6: Host an annual trail clean up event

These recommendations comprise the heart of the Warrenton Parks Master Plan. Every bit of input received, surveys returned, or interview held shaped this section. The intention is not to create an exhaustive list, but to create a pathway on which to make strides towards what is important and impactful for our community.

Chapter 6: Implementation & Funding

6.1 Guide for Plan Use

6.2 Implementation & Funding

6.1 Guide for Plan Use

Different stakeholders will use the Parks Master Plan differently. Please reference Table 6.1: How the Parks Master Plan will be Used below.

Table 6.1: How the Parks Master Plan will be Used

Externally	Internally
<p>By the Public</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn about parks and recreation facilities and services Give feedback and advise on decisions Learn about the parks planning process Understand the benefits of service 	<p>By City Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan workload and resources needed Plan for ways to fill service gaps Promote benefits of parks and recreation
<p>By City Partners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet identified gaps in facilities, programs, and workload Have a policy framework for partnerships with the City Compare service to avoid duplication 	<p>By City Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify funding gaps and direct meeting them Understand the public issues and desires Direct priorities for park and recreation service Guide planning for expected growth Develop policy guiding land use and public service
<p>By Developers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Definitions of park and recreation facilities Baseline development standards for facilities Understand park development process Guidance for project and community design 	<p>By the Parks Advisory Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan workload and resources needed Advocate for priorities from public surveys and community input Provide a metric for evaluation of success Policy framework for Parks Advisory Board business and priorities

6.2 Implementation & Funding

Below you will find cost estimates, funding source recommendations, and responsible staff group(s) to complete each goal developed as part of the Parks Master Plan. Top priority projects, as identified by the Parks Advisory Board, are included in the chart below. There are multiple recommendations not included in this chart, but found in Chapter 5 of the plan document. These recommendations should replace completed projects as time progresses.

Table 6.2: Implementation & Funding Strategy

\$ \$0-\$9,999

\$\$ \$10,000-\$49,999

\$\$\$ \$50,000-\$99,999

\$\$\$\$ >\$100,000

Goal	Objective	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Source of Funding	Responsible Staff Group
Park Awareness and Outreach	Provide communications and marketing material in Spanish and coordinate with local community groups, such as the Lower Columbia Hispanic Council	\$	General Fund	Parks Advisory Board (PAB)

Goal	Objective	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Source of Funding	Responsible Staff Group
Park Awareness and Outreach	Develop and improve the Parks and Trails page on the City's website	\$	Staff time	Deputy City Recorder
	Include a parks and trails update in each Warrenton Wire	\$	Staff time	PAB Staff
Safety & Access	Support trail projects proposed in the Warrenton Trails Master Plan that increase connectivity to parks	\$\$\$\$	General Fund, Street Tax Fund, Grants, Partnerships	Public Works, City Commission
	Install security lighting at Quincy & Bessie Robinson Park	\$\$\$	General Fund, QBR Trust, Grants, Partnerships	Public Works
	Repair river viewing area at Carruthers	\$\$\$	General Fund, QBR Trust, Grants, Partnerships	Public Works
Funding and Partnerships	Establish a dedicated parks fund, separate from general funds, with authority for expenditures granted to a recommended Parks Commission	\$	Staff time	PAB, City Staff, City Commission

Goal	Objective	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Source of Funding	Responsible Staff Group
Park Maintenance and Operations	Create a maintenance schedule including equipment replacement/updates	\$	Staff time	Public Works
	Develop a Maintenance and Operations Plan	\$-\$\$	Staff time, General Fund	Public Works
	Identify and prioritize deferred maintenance tasks	\$	Staff time	Public Works
Parkland Acquisition	Not a priority at this time. Maintenance of existing facilities as well as increasing staff and funds should be prioritized.			
Parks Planning	Develop a concept plan for Quincy & Bessie Robinson Park	\$	Staff time, General Fund	PAB with Public Works input
	Develop a concept plan for Forest Rim Neighborhood Park	\$-\$\$	General Fund, Grants, Partnerships	Community & Economic Development, with input from PAB and Public Works

Goal	Objective	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Source of Funding	Responsible Staff Group
Amenities & Design	Construct a community compost	\$	General Fund, QBR Trust, Grants, Partnerships	Public Works
	Explore feasibility of a sand volleyball court and install a facility if appropriate	\$	General Fund, QBR Trust, Grants,	Public Works
	Install a central art piece, statue, or fountain at Tansy Point	\$-\$\$	General Fund, Grants, Partnerships	Public Works
	Install interpretive signage along the Waterfront Trail	\$	General Fund, Grants, Partnerships	PAB, with input from Public Works and community partners
Community Events	Promote cultural activities and events that attract residents and visitors to the downtown area	\$	Staff time, General Fund	City Staff, City Commission
Recreation	Install adult outdoor exercise equipment	\$\$-\$\$\$	General Fund, QBR Trust, Grants	PAB with input from Public Works

Goal	Objective	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Source of Funding	Responsible Staff Group
Recreation	Construct covered picnic areas	\$\$	General Fund, QBR Trust, Grants, Partnerships	Public Works
	Meet LOS standards for amenities	\$	General Fund, QBR Trust, Grants, Partnerships	Public Works with input from PAB

As each objective is completed, the PAB should review the list of recommendations and select the next project based on community impact, community need, available funding and increases to maintenance. After a 10 year period, the list of recommendations should be reviewed along with the entire Parks Master Plan in order to continue to meet the needs of Warrenton's residents.

Thank you for reading the 2020 update to Warrenton's Parks Master Plan!

APPENDIX

- A.1 Inventory & Existing Conditions**
- A.2 Unplanned Completed Projects**
- A.3 Accessible Checklist**

Parks Master Plan 2020 Quincy & Bessie Robinson



Type: Community Park
Size: 9.8 acres

Park Amenities

- Play Structure (2)
- Hard & Softball Fields (3.5)
- Batting Cages
- Basketball Courts (2 full)
- Tennis Courts (2)
- Concession Stand
- Restrooms
- Parking
- Shelter
- Community Garden
- Community Center
- Picnic Tables (4)

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space: Institutional

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Parks Master Plan 2020

Eben H. Carruthers Park



Type: Community Park
Size: 5.5 acres

Park Amenities

- Dog Park- small & lg dog sections
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Lighting
- Waterfront Trail Access
- Swing Set
- Viewing Dock
- Shelter
- Picnic Tables (3)
- Memorial & other benches

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional



Parks Master Plan 2020

Seafarers Park



Type: Community Park
Size: 5.6 acres

Park Amenities

- Marina
- Gazebo
- Parking
- Waterfront Trail Access
- Memorial
- Memorial & other benches

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional



Parks Master Plan 2020
Warrenton (LCYSA) Soccer Fields



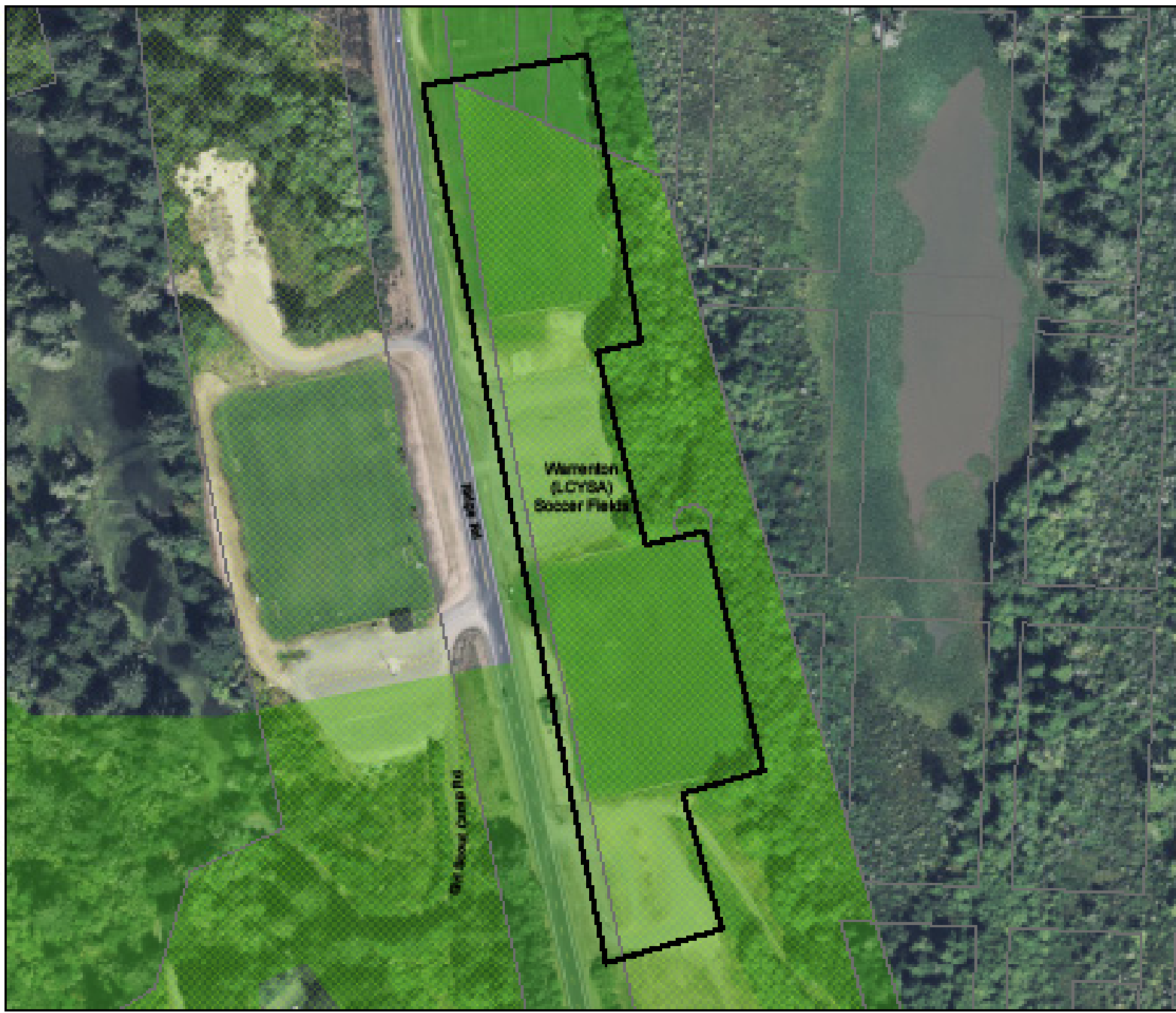
Type: Community Park
 Size: 12.8 acres

Park Amenities

- Soccer Fields (3)
- Moveable Goals (8)
- Scoreboard
- Concession Stand
- Lighting (4 lights field 2)
- Dugouts (6)
- Play Structure
- Parking Lots (3)
- Memorial
- Maintenance Shed (2)
- Trail Connection

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional



Parks Master Plan 2020 Fort Stevens Parade Grounds



Type: Neighborhood Park
Size: 2.3 acres

Park Amenities
Play Structure

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional

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Parks Master Plan 2020

Skipanon River Park



Type: Neighborhood Park
Size: 1.4 acres

Park Amenities

- Kayak Dock/launch
- Pedestrian Ramp
- Parking
- Paved Trail
- Waterfront Trail Access
- Picnic Tables (2)
- Bench

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional



Parks Master Plan 2020

Forest Rim



Type: Neighborhood Park
Size: 3 acres

Park Amenities

- Phase 1: Construct Small Park
- Phase 2: Develop Small Park
- Phase 3: Develop Large Park

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional



Parks Master Plan 2020

Library Park



Type: Mini Park
Size: 0.7 acres

Park Amenities

- Library
- Play Structure
- Shed
- Bench
- Planter Pots (2)
- Parking
- Near Waterfront Trail Access

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space: Institutional



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Parks Master Plan 2020 Warrenton Memorial Plaza



Type: Special Use Park
Size: 0.3 acres

Park Amenities

- Memorials (3)
- Flags (6)
- Bench
- Landscaping
- Parking

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional

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Parks Master Plan 2020

Tansy Point



Type: Special Use Park
Size: 1 acre

Park Amenities

- Bench
- Round-about
- Waterfront Trail Access

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional

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Parks Master Plan 2020

Triangle Park



Type: Special Use Park
Size: 0.2 acres

Park Amenities

Statue

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional

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Parks Master Plan 2020

Pacific Drive Park



Type: Linear Park
Size: 1 acre

Park Amenities

Bell
Planters (2)

Legend

- Park
- Tax Lots
- Land Use
Parks and Open Space
- Zoning
Open Space Institutional

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The following is a list of projects not originally identified in the 2010 Warrenton Parks Master Plan, but later completed. Listing the projects here is a way of capturing the progress of the parks system.

Future attempts should be made to update the Parks Master Plan to include projects outside of the original scope of the document.

Quincy & Bessie Robinson

Replaced playground

Constructed a storage shed for parks equipment

Improved drainage and field amenities on all ball fields

Replaced restroom and added a janitors closet

Installed and later removed park host site

Added 2 street lights

Built batting cages

Re-fenced tennis courts

Added accessible parking spaces

Added a community garden

LCYSA Soccer Fields

Added lighting

City funded water service

Improved play area

Fort Stevens Parade Grounds

Paved parking

Improved play area

Added water source

Created the Fort Stevens Parade Grounds Concept Plan

Eben H. Carruthers

Added additional parking

Improved dog parks

Added park host site

Trails

Paved trail from NE 1st to NW 13th

Improved Heceta Place trail with packed dirt

Installed directional signage

Installed dog waste disposals (dog-i-pots)

ADA Checklist for Existing Facilities

Priority 1 – Approach & Entrance

Based on the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design



Project _____

Building _____

Location _____

Date _____

Surveyors _____

Contact Information _____

An accessible route from site arrival points and an accessible entrance should be provided for everyone.



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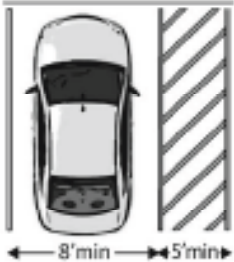
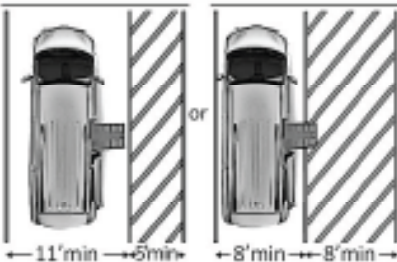

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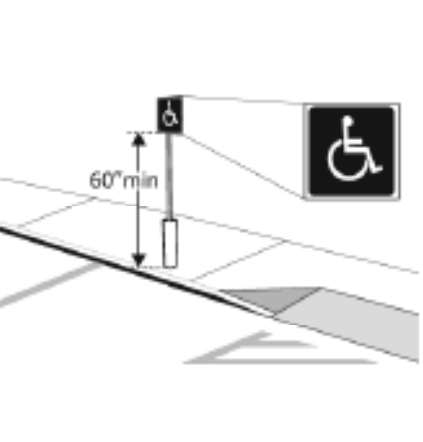
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For the full set of checklists, including the checklists for recreation facilities visit www.ADAchecklist.org.

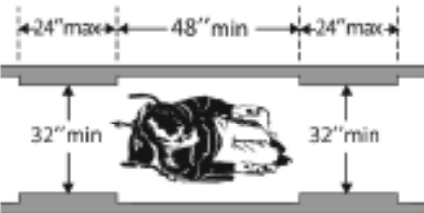
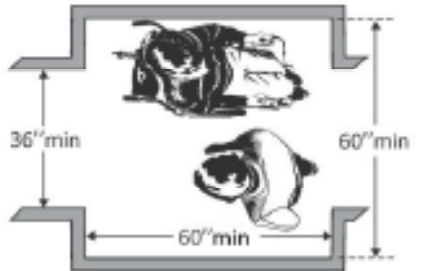
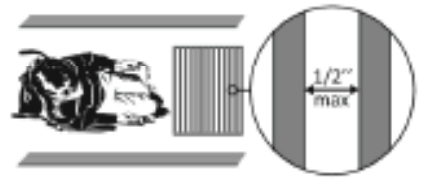
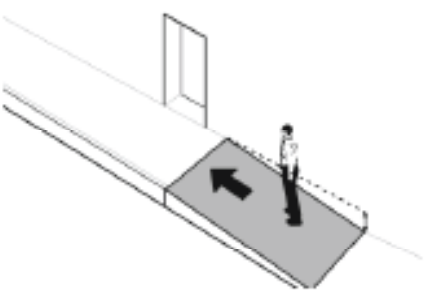
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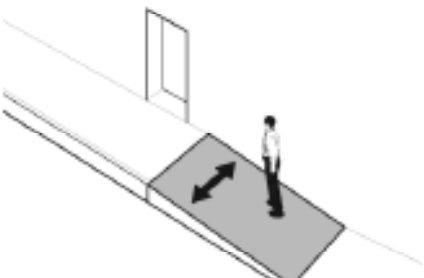
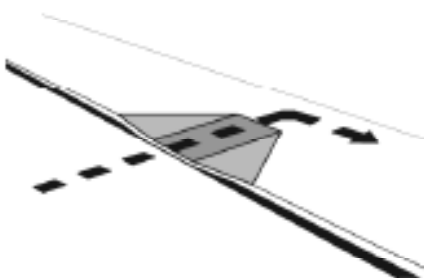
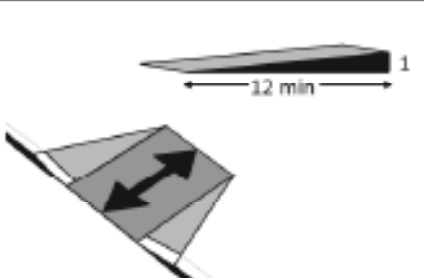
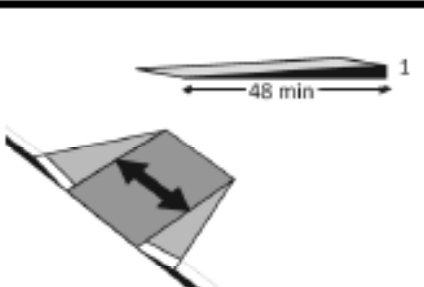
Priority 1 – Approach & Entrance			Comments	Possible Solutions												
<p>L1 Is there at least one route from site arrival points (parking, passenger loading zones, public sidewalks and public transportation stops) that does not require the use of stairs? [See 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design – 206.2.1]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If yes, location of route:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Add a ramp ▪ Regrade to 1:20 maximum slope ▪ Add a lift if site constraints prevent other solutions 												
<p>Parking Accessible parking spaces should be identified by size, access aisle and signage.</p>																
<p>L2 If parking is provided for the public, are an adequate number of accessible spaces provided? [208.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Total #:</p> <p>Accessible #:</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Total Spaces</th> <th>Accessible Spaces</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1 - 25</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>26 - 50</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>51 - 75</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>76 - 100</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">100+ see 2010 Standards 208.2</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Total Spaces	Accessible Spaces	1 - 25	1	26 - 50	2	51 - 75	3	76 - 100	4	100+ see 2010 Standards 208.2		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reconfigure by repainting lines ▪ ▪
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<p>L3 Of the accessible spaces, is at least one a van accessible space? [208.2.4]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>For every 6 or fraction of 6 parking spaces required by the table above, at least 1 should be a van accessible space.</p>	<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If constructed before 3/15/2012, parking is compliant if at least 1 in every 8 accessible spaces is van accessible ▪ Reconfigure by repainting lines 												

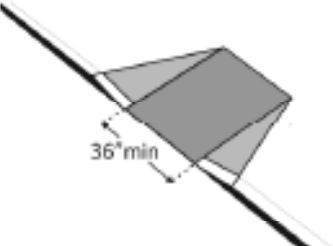
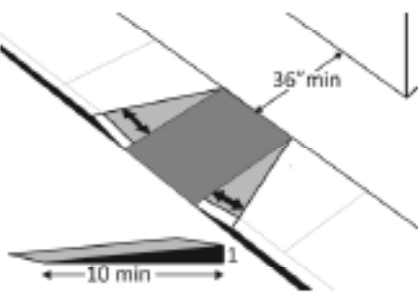
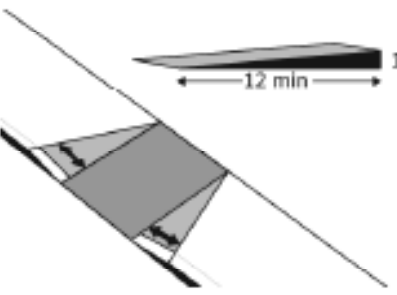
<p>1.4 Are accessible spaces at least 8 feet wide with an access aisle at least 5 feet wide? [502.2, 502.3]</p> <p><i>Note: Two spaces may share an access aisle. Check state/local requirements; some specify that each space have its own aisle.</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>	 <p>← 8' min → ← 5' min →</p>	<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reconfigure by repainting lines - -
<p>1.5 Is the van accessible space:</p> <p>At least 11 feet wide with an access aisle at least 5 feet wide? Or At least 8 feet wide with an access aisle at least 8 feet wide? [502.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>	 <p>← 11' min → ← 5' min → or ← 8' min → ← 8' min →</p>	<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reconfigure to provide van-accessible space(s) - -
<p>1.6 Is at least 98 inches of vertical clearance provided for the van accessible space? [502.5]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>	 <p>98" min</p>	<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reconfigure to provide van-accessible space(s) - -

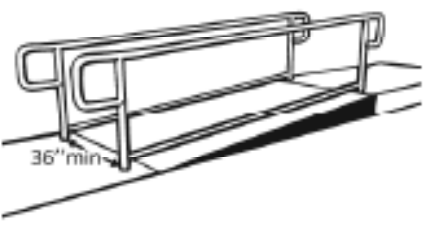

<p>1.7 Are the access aisles marked so as to discourage parking in them? [502.3.3]</p> <p>Note: The marking method and color may be addressed by state/local requirements.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mark access aisles - -
<p>1.8 Is the slope of the accessible parking spaces and access aisles no steeper than 1:48 in all directions? [502.4]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regrade surface - -
<p>1.9 Do the access aisles adjoin an accessible route? [502.3]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create accessible route - Relocate accessible space -
<p>1.10 Are accessible spaces identified with a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility? Is the bottom of the sign at least 60 inches above the ground? [502.6]</p> <p>Note: The International Symbol of Accessibility is not required on the ground.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Install signs - -

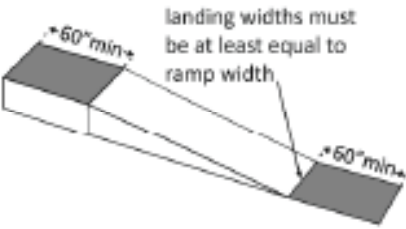
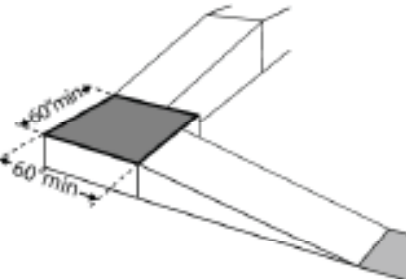

<p>1.11 Are there signs reading “van accessible” at van accessible spaces? [502.6]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Install signs - -
<p>1.12 Of the total parking spaces, are the accessible spaces located on the closest accessible route to the accessible entrance(s)? [208.3.1]</p> <p>Note: If parking serves multiple entrances, accessible parking should be dispersed.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reconfigure spaces - -
<p>Exterior Accessible Route</p>				
<p>1.13 Is the route stable, firm and slip-resistant? [302.1]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Repair uneven paving - Fill small bumps and breaks with patches - Replace gravel with asphalt or other surface
<p>1.14 Is the route at least 36 inches wide? [403.5.1]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Change or move landscaping, furnishings or other items - Widen route -

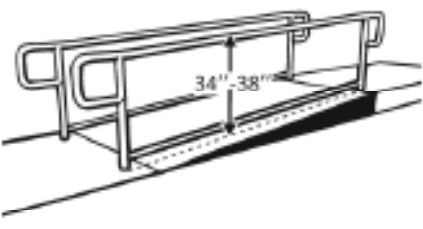
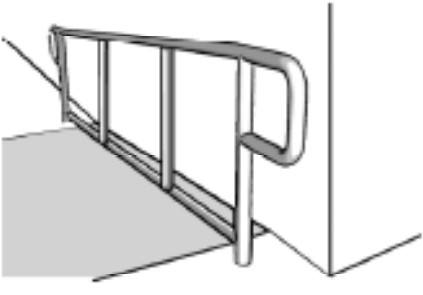
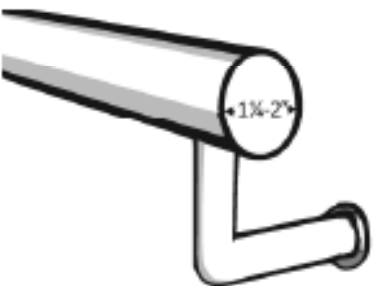
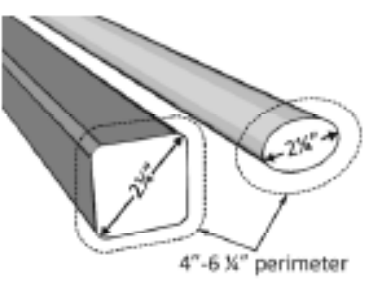
<p>Note: The accessible route can narrow to 32 inches min. for a max. of 24 inches. These narrower portions of the route must be at least 48 inches from each other.</p>			<p>Photo #:</p>	
<p>1.15 If the route is greater than 200 feet in length and less than 60 inches wide, is there a passing space no less than 60 x 60 inches? [403.5.3]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Widen route for passing space - -
<p>1.16 If there are grates or openings on the route, are the openings no larger than 1/2 inches? Is the long dimension perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel? [302.3]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Replace or move grate - -
<p>1.17 Is the running slope no steeper than 1:20, i.e. for every inch of height change there are at least 20 inches of route run? [403.3]</p> <p>Note: If the running slope is steeper than 1:20, treat as a ramp and add features such as edge protection and handrails.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regrade to 1:20 max. - -

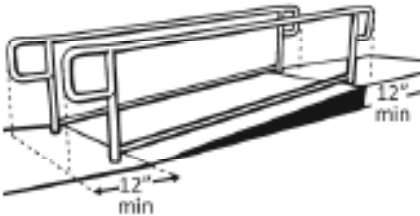
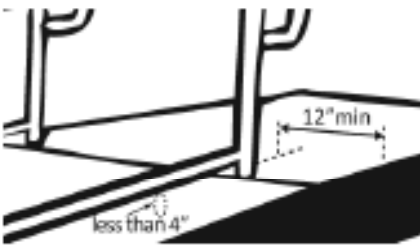
<p>1.18 Is the cross slope no steeper than 1:48? [403.3]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regrade to 1:48 max. ▪ ▪
<p>Curb Ramps</p>				
<p>1.19 If the accessible route crosses a curb, is there a curb ramp? [402.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Install curb ramp ▪ ▪
<p>1.20 Is the running slope of the curb ramp no steeper than 1:12, i.e. for every inch of height change there are at least 12 inches of curb ramp run? [406.1, 406.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regrade curb ramp ▪ ▪
<p>1.21 Is the cross slope of the curb ramp, excluding flares, no steeper than 1:48? [406.1, 406.3]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regrade curb ramp ▪ ▪




<p>1.22 Is the curb ramp, excluding flares, at least 36 inches wide? [406.1, 405.5]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Widen curb ramp • •
<p>1.23 At the top of the curb ramp is there a level landing (slope no steeper than 1:48 in all directions) that is at least 36 inches long and at least as wide as the curb ramp? [406.4]</p> <p>If there are curb ramp flares, are the slopes of the flares no steeper than 1:10, i.e. for every inch of height change there are at least 10 inches of flare run? [406.3]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconfigure • Add ramp flares •
<p>1.24 If the landing at the top is less than 36 inches long, are there curb ramp flares? [406.4]</p> <p>Are the slopes of the flares no greater than 1:12, i.e. for every inch of height change there are at least 12 inches of flare run?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add ramp flares • Regrade flares •



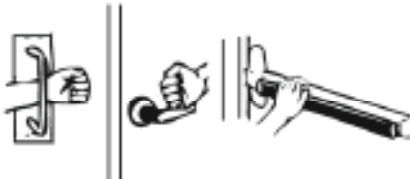
Ramps If any portion of the accessible route is steeper than 1:20, it should be treated as a ramp.				
<p>1.25 If there is a ramp is it at least 36 inches wide? [405.5]</p> <p>Note: If there are handrails, measure between the handrails.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alter ramp - -
<p>1.26 Is the surface stable, firm and slip resistant? [405.4]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resurface ramp - -
<p>1.27 For each section of the ramp, is the running slope no greater than 1:12, i.e. for every inch of height change there are at least 12 inches of ramp run? [405.2]</p> <p>Note: Rises no greater than 3 inches with a slope no steeper than 1:8 and rises no greater than 6 inches with a slope no steeper than 1:10 are permitted when such slopes are necessary due to space limitations.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relocate ramp - Lengthen ramp to decrease slope -

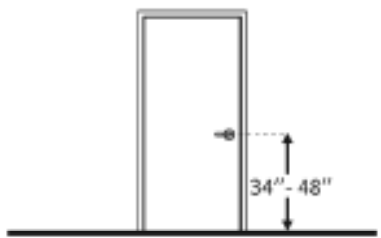
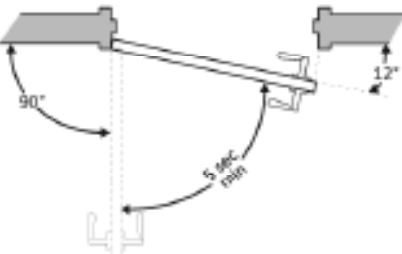
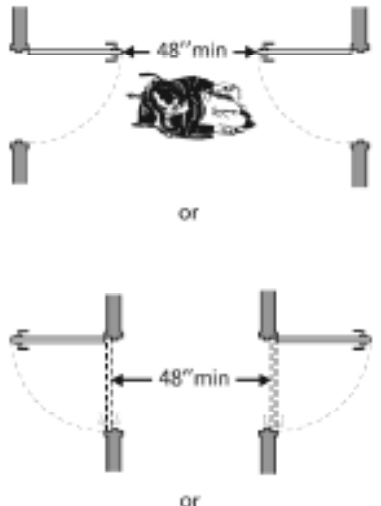
<p>1.28 Is there a level landing that is at least 60 inches long and at least as wide as the ramp:</p> <p>At the top of the ramp?</p> <p>At the bottom of the ramp? [405.7.2, 405.7.3]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> = Alter ramp = Relocate ramp =
<p>1.29 Is there a level landing where the ramp changes direction that is at least 60 x 60 inches? [405.7.4]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> = Alter ramp = Increase landing size =
<p>1.30 If the ramp has a rise higher than 6 inches, are there handrails on both sides? [405.8]</p> <p>Note: Curb ramps are not required to have handrails.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> = Add handrails = =

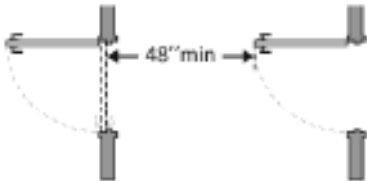

<p>1.31 Is the top of the handrail gripping surface no less than 34 inches and no greater than 38 inches above the ramp surface? [505.4]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reconfigure or replace handrails - Adjust handrail height -
<p>1.32 Is the handrail gripping surface continuous and not obstructed along the top or sides? [505.3]</p> <p>If there are obstructions, is the bottom of the gripping surface obstructed no greater than 20%? [505.6]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reconfigure or replace handrails - -
<p>1.33 If the handrail gripping surface is circular, is it no less than 1 3/4 inches and no greater than 2 inches in diameter? [505.7.1]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Replace handrails - -
<p>1.34 If the handrail gripping surface is non-circular:</p> <p>Is the perimeter no less than 4 inches and no greater than 6 3/4 inches?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Replace handrails - -

<p>Is the cross section no greater than 2 3/4 inches? [505.7.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	
<p>1.35 Does the handrail:</p> <p>Extend at least 12 inches horizontally beyond the top and bottom of the ramp?</p> <p>Return to a wall, guard, or landing surface? [505.10.1]</p> <p>Note: If a 12 inch extension would be a hazard (in circulation path) it is not required.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alter handrails ▪ ▪
<p>1.36 To prevent wheelchair casters and crutch tips from falling off:</p> <p>Does the surface of the ramp extend at least 12 inches beyond the inside face of the handrail? Or Is there a curb or barrier that prevents the passage of a 4-inch diameter sphere? [405.9.1, 405.9.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Measurement:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Add curb ▪ Add barrier ▪ Extend ramp width ▪

Entrance				
<p>1.37 Is the main entrance accessible?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Redesign to make it accessible ▪ ▪
<p>1.38 If the main entrance is not accessible, is there an alternative accessible entrance?</p> <p>Can the alternative accessible entrance be used independently and during the same hours as the main entrance?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Designate an entrance and make it accessible ▪ Ensure that accessible entrance can be used independently and during the same hours as the main entrance ▪
<p>1.39 Do all inaccessible entrances have signs indicating the location of the nearest accessible entrance? [216.6]</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Install signs ▪ Install signs on route before people get to inaccessible entrances so that people do not have to turn around and retrace route ▪
<p>1.40 If not all entrances are accessible, is there a sign at the accessible entrance with the International Symbol of Accessibility? [216.6]</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Install sign ▪ ▪

<p>after the 1991 ADA Standards went into effect (1/26/93)?</p> <p>Or</p> <p>No more than 3/4 inch high with the top 1/4 inch beveled no steeper than 1:2, if the threshold was installed before the 1991 ADA Standards went into effect (1/26/93)? [404.2.5, 303.2]</p> <p>Note: The first 1/4 inch of the 3/4 or 3/8 inch threshold may be vertical; the rest must be beveled.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>	 <p>1/2" max =</p>  <p>3/4" max =</p>	<p>Photo #:</p>	
<p>L44 Is the door equipped with hardware that is operable with one hand and does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist?</p> <p>Door handle?</p> <p>Lock (if provided)? [404.2.7]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Replace inaccessible knob with lever, loop or push hardware - Add automatic door opener -

<p>1.45 Are the operable parts of the door hardware no less than 34 inches and no greater than 48 inches above the floor or ground surface? [404.2.7]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> = Change hardware height = =
<p>1.46 If the door has a closer, does it take at least 5 seconds to close from an open position of 90 degrees to a position of 12 degrees from the latch? [404.2.8]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> = Adjust closer = =
<p>1.47 If there are two doors in a series, e.g. vestibule, is the distance between the doors at least 48 inches plus the width of the doors when swinging into the space? [404.2.6]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> = Remove inner door = Change door swing =

			<p>Photo #:</p>	
<p>L48 If provided at the building entrance, are carpets or mats no higher than 1/8 inch thick? [302.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Measurement:</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Replace or remove mats ▪ ▪
<p>L49 Are edges of carpets or mats securely attached to minimize tripping hazards? [302.2]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Secure carpeting or mats at edges ▪ ▪
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ▪ ▪
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		<p>Photo #:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ▪ ▪