AGENDA
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 7, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE

1. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Kurth

A. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Harris, Hughes and Murphy

2. CITIZENS FORUM

This is a portion of the Council meeting where individuals will be allowed to address the Council on subjects which are not a part of the meeting agenda. Persons wishing to speak may be required to complete a sign-up sheet and give it to a staff person at the meeting. The Council may take action or reply at the time of the statement or may give direction to staff for future action based on the concerns expressed.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

4. PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Annual Financial Report 2017 – Abdo, Eich & Meyers **under separate cover**

B. Management Letter - Abdo, Eich & Meyers **under separate cover**

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

A. Airport (Councilmember Harris)

B. Cable Commission (Councilmember Murphy)

C. City Administrator (Bill Petracek)

6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Anoka County – Acknowledgement of Recycling Efforts **pp. 1**

B. Anoka County Parks – Park System Plan 2018 **pp. 2-36**

C. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Report

- 5-17-2018 through 5-23-2018 **pp. 37-40**

D. Council Workshop meeting minutes – May 17, 2018 **pp. 41-42**

E. Public Notice – Planning & Zoning Public Hearing – June 12, 2018 **pp. 43**

F. Metropolitan Council – 2017 Annual Population Estimate **pp. 44-47**

G. Planning & Zoning meeting minutes – May 8, 2018 **pp. 48-49**

H. Public Notice – Closed Executive meeting – June 7, 2018 **pp. 50**

Consent Agenda:
The Consent Agenda covers routine administrative matters. These items are not discussed, and are approved in their entirety pursuant to the recommendations on the staff reports. A Council Member or citizen may ask that an item be moved from the Consent Agenda to the end of section 7 of the agenda in order to be discussed and receive separate action.

7. CONSENT ITEMS:

A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
Council Meeting – May 17, 2018 **pp. 51-54**

B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills: **pp. 55-65**

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Check #'s 43485 through 43549
Check #'s 11974 through 12003

Action Items:
These items are intended primarily for Council discussion and action. It is up to the discretion of the Mayor as to what, if any, public comment will be heard on these items. Persons wishing to speak on discussion items must complete a sign-up sheet and give it to a staff person at the meeting.

8. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Recommendation to approve the 2017 Annual Financial Report and Management Letter

B. Recommendation to approve Business License Renewals **pp. 66**

C. Recommendation to approve Entertainment License Application –
Cowboys Saloon – 1st Annual Motorcycle Round-up and Pig Roast
Saturday June16, 2018 from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM **pp. 67-76**

D. Discuss US Solar Energy Subscription Contract **pp. 77-78**

E. Recommendation to approve Resolution No. 18-14– A Resolution of the City Council of Lexington Affirming the City's assessment of $21,296.32 against 3872 Oak Lane. **pp.79**

9. MOVE TO CONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TO CLOSED SESSION

10. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. The purpose is to discuss the AFSMCE Union Contract negotiations.

11. MOVE TO RECONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

A. Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement 6/1/2018-5/31/2021

Under separate cover

B. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between City of Lexington and AFSME to amend the 2015-2018 Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). **Under separate cover**

12. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

13. ADJOURNMENT

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THE ANOKA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Acknowledges with great appreciation the commitment to recycling of

City of Lexington

In 2017, Anoka County residents and businesses recycled 233,737 tons of material.

Thank you for helping us achieve our recycling goals, serve the community and conserve natural resources.

Matt Look
District #1

Jim Kordiak
District 4

Julie Braastad
District #2

Mike Gamache
District #5

Robyn West
District #3

Rhonda Sivarajah
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Scott Schulte
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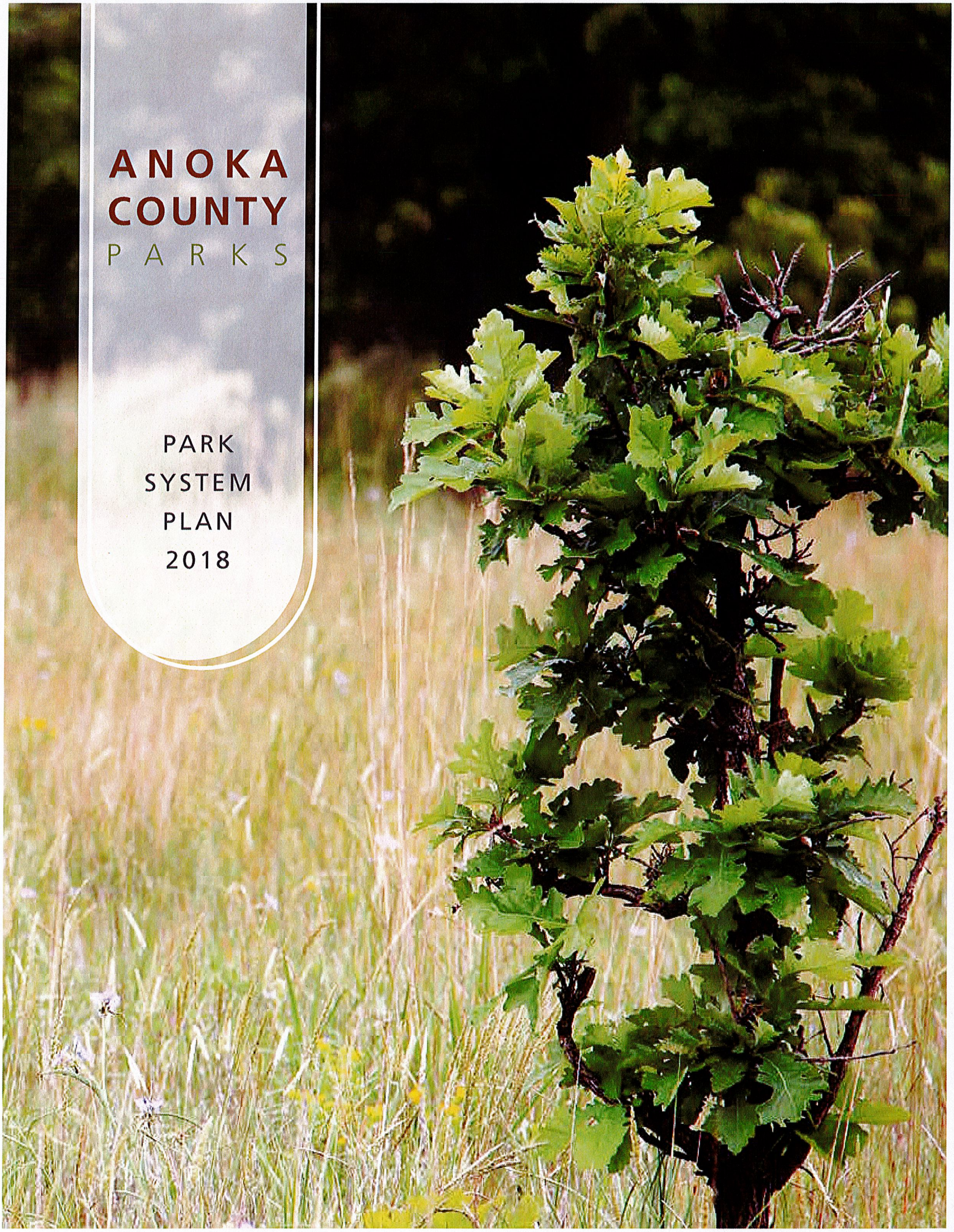
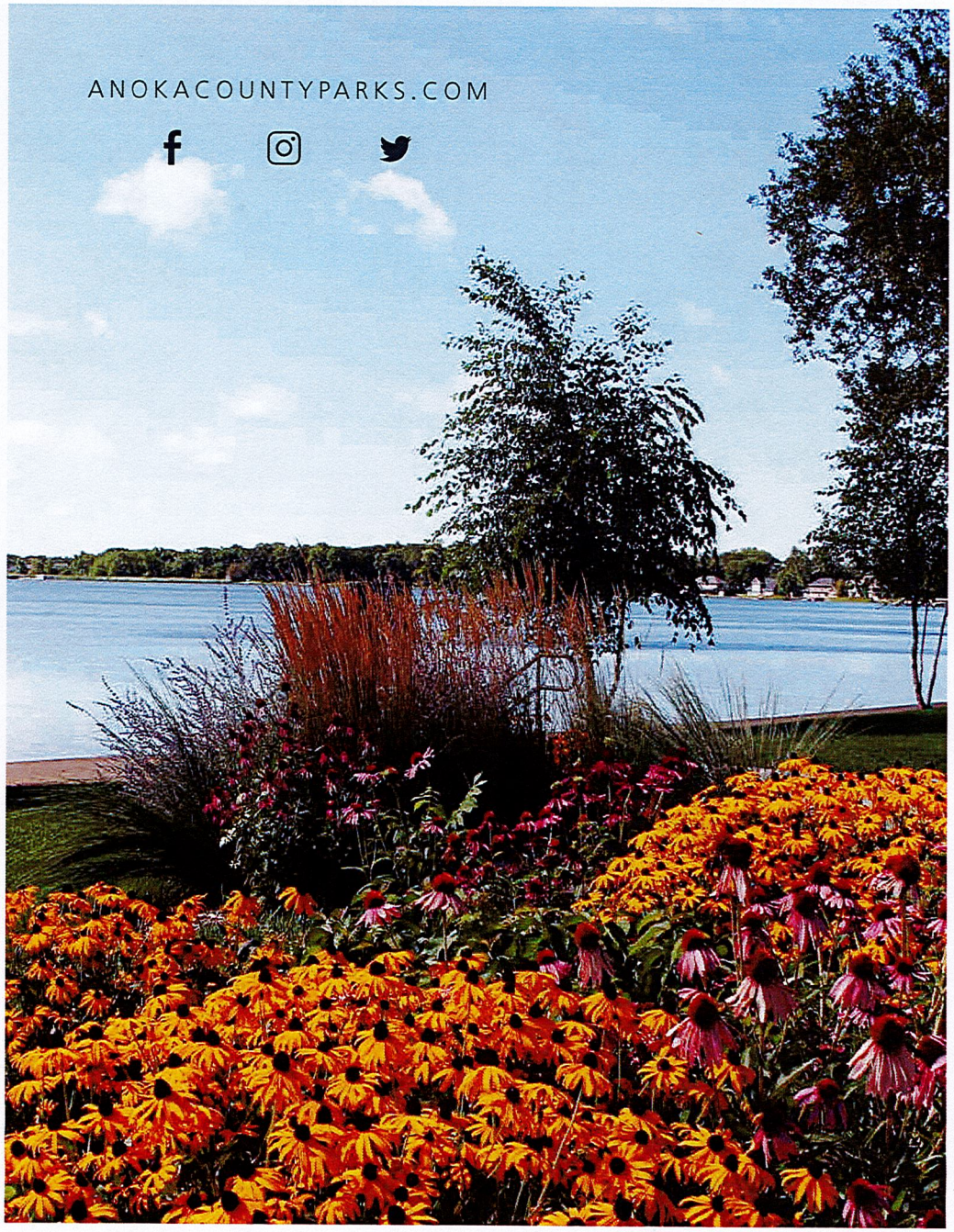
ANOKA COUNTY PARKS

PARK SYSTEM PLAN 2018





ANOKA COUNTY PARKS

The intent of the Anoka County Park System Plan is to establish and guide the strategic direction of the park system over the next decade in conformance with the Metropolitan Council's adopted Policy Plans and Minnesota Statue 473.864. This Plan is the result of an 18-month long planning process, involving County staff, citizens, outside agency representatives and elected officials.

The Metropolitan Council requires local governments to submit comprehensive plans every ten years. Previous county comprehensive park plans include the 20/20 Vision in 1998 and the 2006 Comprehensive Park System Plan, both which have guided the County in the development of a remarkable park system that now totals 11,500 acres and serves more than 4 million visitors annually. The new Park System Plan serves as a vision and planning document to guide future park development, operations and natural resource stewardship for the next 10 years, as the County responds to new opportunities and challenges related to parks and recreation. The Park System Plan will further the organization's goal to be a model park system that instills a sense of pride and enthusiasm among citizens, while furthering the standards of innovation and park excellence in Anoka County, the metropolitan region and throughout the State of Minnesota.

Anoka County's Park System Plan is consistent with the Metropolitan Council's Regional Parks Policy Plan which includes expanding, conserving and maintaining a regional parks system, promoting multimodal access, and strengthening equitable use.

PARK SYSTEM PLAN CONTENTS

MISSION, VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES
Reaffirms and expands the mission of the Anoka County Park System, general system vision and the principles that guide decision-making.

PARK SYSTEM HISTORY
Discusses the park system origin and how it expanded into the park system today.

ANOKA COUNTY PARK SYSTEM AT A GLANCE
Describes overall system framework, parks and trails, recreation facilities, visitor services, department organization, funding and resources.

TAKING AN ASSESSMENT
Assesses the current status of lands, natural resources, programming, facilities and infrastructure, visitor services, operations and maintenance.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
Outlines the various ways the County engages the public, municipalities, adjacent counties, Metropolitan Council and allied agencies during the planning process.

INFLUENCES SHAPING OUR FUTURE
Examines various trends affecting recreation and the future of the park system.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER CORRIDOR CRITICAL AREA
Outlines areas along the Mississippi River for conservation according to the State of Minnesota.

VISIONING TOMORROW'S PARK SYSTEM
Discusses plans for expanding, building and restoring the system, enhancing visitor experience and sustainability of the park system.

PROTECTING AND RESTORING NATURAL RESOURCES
Discusses strategies around forest restoration, wetland management, water quality, prairie restoration, wildlife management, cultural and historic resources.

REGIONAL TRAILS AND CONNECTIONS
Examines the importance of regional and local trails in creating safe connections between the communities and local and regional destinations.

ENHANCING THE PARK SYSTEM
Identifies enhancements to the park system to meet the expressed desires of the public, shifting recreational trends and demographic changes.

UNIQUE RECREATION FEATURES
Discusses improvements to Bunker Beach Water Park, Chomonix Golf Course, Wargo Nature Center, Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts, Bunker Stable and Archery Center.

BUILDING THE CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE
Offers direction on enhancing accessibility and equity, education and interpretation, recreation services, marketing and social media, and visitor services.

SUSTAINING THE PARK SYSTEM
Lays out a strategic approach to system-wide management standards, maintenance support facilities, equipment, and resource inputs.

PARK SYSTEM INVESTMENT AND FUNDING
Concludes with plans for a capital investment plan; a discussion of existing and potential funding sources and opportunities for partnerships and sponsorships.

APPENDIX

MISSION, VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

MISSION

Park staff reviewed the mission statement from the 20/20 Vision Plan and the 2006 Park System Plan in the process of creating this new park system plan. The mission statement remains largely unchanged:

The mission of the Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department is to positively impact the quality of life in Anoka County by providing parks, outdoor recreation and leisure services for the public. Our mission encompasses protection of the natural environment, improving the health of citizens and supporting a strong local economy.

In furtherance of this mission, the park system plan is guided by the County Board's principles of serving our citizens in a respectful, innovative and fiscally responsible manner.

VISION

The Vision reflects the desired future condition of the park system through the perception and experience of the park visitor. Expanding on the previous visions that were established, the new vision is as follows:

Provide stewardship of the land and water resources to continue to preserve, restore, and protect the natural resource-based park system. Park amenities will continue to be designed and managed with awareness of the natural resources, to provide sustainable recreation today and into the future.

Maintain the natural character of the park system to connect citizens to the outdoors by creating new and expanded opportunities for outdoor recreation and fulfillment. Recreational and interpretive programs will continue to focus on learning experiences which enhance an appreciation for unique natural, cultural and historical characteristics within the park system.

Expand recreation activities, facilities, and programs that allow for a more equitable use of the park system among all residents, across race, ethnicity, income and ability.

Continue development of a regional trail system that is interconnected to transit systems, businesses, schools, local trail networks and neighborhoods, that will allow ease of access to the county's regional parks.

Uphold the park system's unique architectural standards that are reflective of their surroundings. The Parks will continue to be designed to enhance and highlight those particular attributes, which provide attractive and well-maintained spaces.

Continue to engage the public as a key element of park development and programming processes to ensure parks and facilities are consistently developed, enhanced and redeveloped to reflect evolving needs in the county.

Continue to seek funding sources that eliminate barriers to increase use within the park system in which community members take ownership through volunteerism and donations. Continue cost-effective, innovative management processes throughout the system.

Over the next 10 years, the County will continue to monitor and refine the mission and vision statements to remain contemporaneous with social and organizational changes.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Visitor Focus
Actively pursue visitor needs through citizen engagement to provide effective services and facilities to the community with efficiency, accountability and a caring attitude.

Open Communication
Promote honest, open communication and easy access to information.

Fiscal Responsibility
Provide quality services, of the best value, to effectively meet the needs of park visitors.

Creativity
Strive to improve the quality and efficiency of park services through creative approaches with new, innovative and cost-effective technologies.

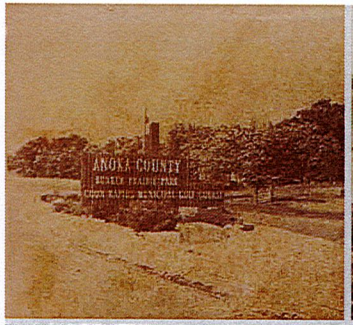
Cooperation
Promote a spirit of fairness, trust, respect and teamwork with elected officials, County employees, residential and business communities, neighboring jurisdictions, other organizations and agencies.

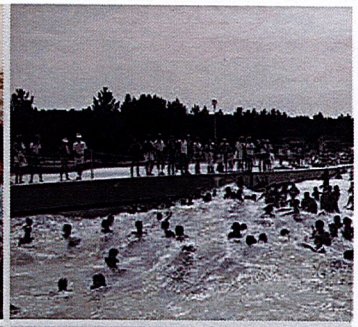
Commitment to Excellence
Strive to achieve excellence in everything we do.

Continuous Improvement
Advocate good citizenship and actively pursue suggestions, ideas and creative approaches, leading to continuous improvements in everything that we do.

Equity
Every visitor should be able to enjoy the same quality of public facilities and services regardless of income, age, race, ability or geographic location.

Sustainability
Every action and improvement of the park system, including facilities, programs, operations and management, should contribute to the economic, social and environmental prosperity of the system.





PARKS SYSTEM HISTORY

The Anoka County Board, under the leadership and vision of Commissioner Albert A. Kordiak, began a land acquisition program to form the Anoka County Parks System in 1963. As a preface to that initiative, the County obtained statutory authority from the State Legislature for county governments to acquire, develop and operate county park systems.

In 1967, the State Legislature created the Metropolitan Council to assist local governments in the Twin Cities area with planning and funding for regional infrastructure needs. In 1974, the Metropolitan Council was given authority to establish policy objectives and coordinate planning efforts for the regional park system. In addition, the Council assisted in funding regional parks and trails. The growth and development of Anoka County Parks System has been significantly enhanced by the planning and financial assistance from the State, Metropolitan Council, and the Anoka County Board of Commissioners.

ACQUISITION:

Most of the original acquisition for the park system was centered on lakes, rivers and streams, and the protection of natural resources. Since the first major comprehensive plan, which was completed in 1995, more than 3,000 acres of land have been added to the Anoka County Parks System. Acquisition has included: 250 acres from the Three Rivers Park District to expand Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park, 30 acres purchased with County funds on the east side of Bunker Hills Regional Park, acquisition of Foster and Cloquet Islands from the Department of Natural Resources at Mississippi West Regional Park, 525 acres acquired on the Rum River to establish the Cedar Creek Conservation Area, 257 acres at the Columbus Lake Conservation Area, and more than 1,500 acres purchased from the St. Paul Water Utility Commission and private owners to expand the Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve.

An initiative from previous Anoka County Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plans, which will be carried forward, is the potential acquisition and creation of a new regional park in the northwest corner of Anoka County preliminarily identified as "Sugar Hills" Regional Park and previously identified by the Metropolitan Council as a regional park search area.

DEVELOPMENT:

Since the 2006 Comprehensive System Plan, the Parks and Recreation Department has placed an emphasis on restoring and enhancing park properties and infrastructure. Approximately ninety percent of the projects were funded through regional, state and federal grants. Redevelopment and enhancements were made to virtually every park and trail unit, including: Bunker Hills, Coon Rapids Dam, Lake George, Martin Island Linwood Lakes, Mississippi West, and Riverfront Regional Parks, the Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve, and to the County Parks, such as Coon Lake, Rum River North, Rum River South and Albert A. Kordiak. Chomonix Golf Course was also enhanced with paved cart paths, greens redevelopment, and completely rebuilt sand traps.

The Department has also enhanced the park system with new facilities. Examples from the past ten years include a new disc golf course at Riverfront Park, dog parks at Bunker Hills and Locke Parks, the public access of Mississippi West Regional Park, establishment of a new day camp and nature play area at the Wargo Nature Center, expansion of Bunker Beach Water Park to include a lazy river, and a new visitor center at Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve. In addition, the department acquired and opened Cedar Creek and Columbus Lake Conservation Areas to hunting and nature enjoyment. There were also several hallmark trail developments resulting from partnerships with municipal, regional and federal agencies.

UNIQUE RECREATION FEATURES:

Throughout the evolution of the park system, a broad variety of recreation features have been incorporated throughout Anoka County. In the 1980's and 1990's unique recreation features were added which included Bunker Beach Water Park, Bunker Park Stable and the Archery Complex at Bunker Hills Regional Park, Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts at Manomin Park, which is part of the Rice Creek West Regional Trail, and Chomonix Golf Course and Wargo Nature Center at Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve.

As most parks were developed near or adjacent to water, Bunker Beach Water Park, originally known as the wave pool, was incorporated into Bunker Hills Regional Park to help provide water related recreation. The archery complex at Bunker Hills Regional Park, one of only two in the county, provides an opportunity for people of all ages to learn about and practice archery. The complex is heavily used by the public and local schools on a regular basis and more than 5,500 people participate in the activities offered through Rapids Archery Club annually. Bunker Park Stable provides a rare opportunity for trail rides and lessons in the region and adds a unique dimension to Bunker Hills Regional Park. At Manomin Park, the Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts developed out of a partnership with the North Suburban Arts Center. The Banfill Tavern, previously a historic interpretive center, became the permanent facility for the Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts. Chomonix Golf Course, originally a privately owned 9-hole course, was acquired by the County and expanded to the 18-hole course it is today. The Wargo Nature Center opened in 1993 and was funded in part by a generous land and monetary gift from Judge Joseph E. Wargo and Edith Wargo. The nature center provides valuable nature based educational and recreational programs for the community. The Anoka County Park System also includes hunting in two conservation areas that are open to the public. The hunting areas are located at the Cedar Creek and Columbus Lake Conservation areas.

SERVICE EVOLUTION:

High quality customer service is one of the top priorities of the Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department. Technological advances with the point of sale system, on-line reservation system, web site, and social media platforms have enhanced the customer experience and increased efficiency. The technology upgrades have created department-wide cost savings and has elevated the annual volume of business generated by the department.

MUNICIPAL ROLE:

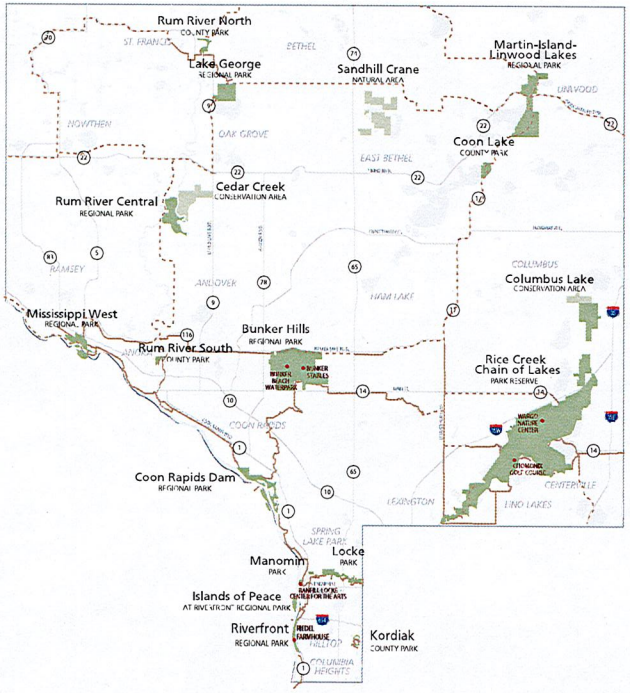
20 cities and one township make up the municipalities located within Anoka County. The County works with the local communities to preserve natural resources areas, develop local trail connections and partner on special events and recreation programming. The local municipalities play a pivotal role in working together to enhance the quality of life for the residents of Anoka County and the metropolitan region through additional parks, trails, conservation offerings and programs.

SUMMARY:

The evolution of the System over the past decade has yielded success in the areas of parkland acquisition, asset preservation, new development, natural resource restoration, program enhancements and marketing innovations. Many priorities identified in the 2006 Comprehensive System Plan were completed. The 11,500-acre park system now consists of seven regional parks, one park reserve, four county parks, ten regional trails, two conservation areas, and six unique recreation features. Moving forward, the County will continue to leverage all available funding sources through collaborative partnerships with federal, state, regional, and local agencies to implement the new Park System Plan.

ANOKA COUNTY PARK SYSTEM AT A GLANCE

11,500 ACRES OF OPEN SPACE



10 REGIONAL TRAILS

7 REGIONAL PARKS

5 COUNTY PARKS/ NATURAL AREAS

2 CONSERVATION AREAS

1 PARK RESERVE

14 MEETING SPACES

33 PICNIC PAVILIONS

150 CAMPSITES

90 MILES OF PAVED TRAIL

10 BOAT LAUNCHES

7 ACRES FOR OFF LEASH DOGS

4.2 MILLION VISITS ANNUALLY

6 UNIQUE RECREATION FACILITIES

11 FISHING PIERS

48 KM OF SKI TRAILS

14 PLAYGROUNDS

570 ACRES OF NATIVE PRAIRIE

1,400 FT OF SWIMMING BEACH

PROVIDING PARKS, OUTDOOR RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES FOR THE PUBLIC

Anoka County has consistently incorporated new philosophies and best management principals in establishing the park system as it is today. The vision of the park system has focused on sustaining natural resources, while providing opportunities for all to experience recreational opportunities. The Anoka County park system continues to evolve and is a mixture of 10 regional trails, 7 regional parks, 4 county parks, 2 conservation areas and 1 park reserve that house hundreds of recreational amenities and special recreation facilities. With more than 4.2 million visits annually, these facilities are heavily used and public demand for increased access, facilities, programs and education continues to grow.

"The Anoka County Parks system is large and very diverse, offering our users many opportunities to enhance their recreational enjoyment. Careful review and planning is critical to properly address the long-range needs of our system."

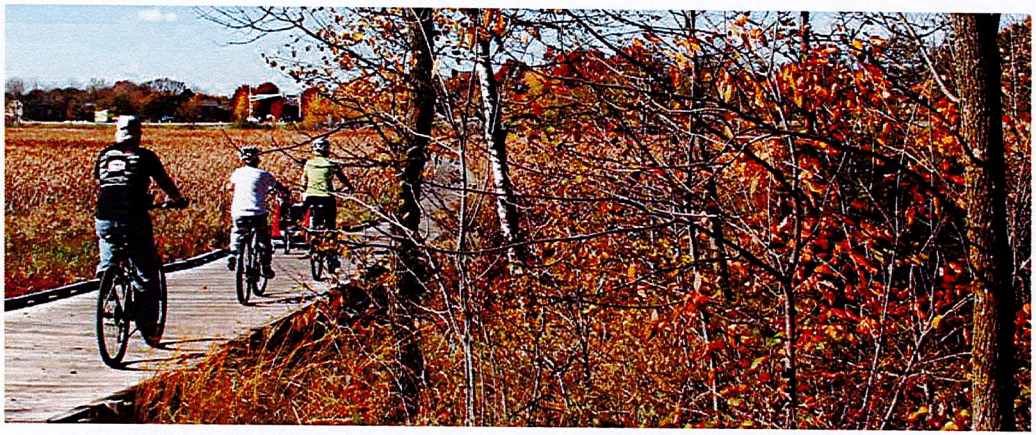
Jim Kordiak,
Anoka County Commissioner, Parks & Recreation Committee Chair

SERVING OUR GUESTS

To best serve the large number of visitors to the park system on an annual basis, the parks department has been structured to be efficient and customer service focused.

The parks department is made up of 9 work units; maintenance, natural resources, planning, recreation services, park services, Chomonix Golf Course, Bunker Beach Water Park, marketing/community engagement and administration. These work units focus on specific areas of park operations. Through utilizing the human and operational resources, the department collaborates to provide a wide array of services such as prairie management, educational opportunities, facility maintenance and enforcement.

In addition to the in-park experience, visitor services focus heavily on educating the public on the park system and making connections within the community. Partnerships and collaboration with agencies that have a similar objective supports the parks department focus of connecting people to the outdoors and introducing recreational opportunities to new populations.

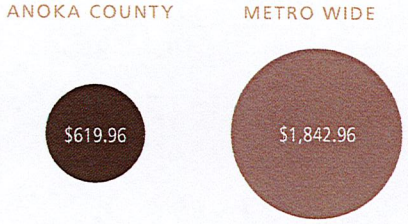


FUNDING AND RESOURCES

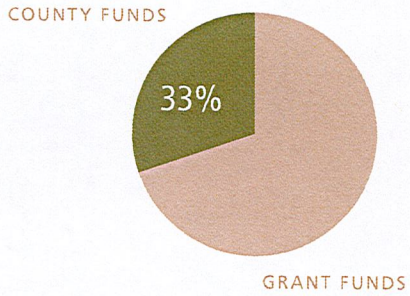
As the oldest county park system in the state with a desire to continue to attract and retain park users, investment in programs, infrastructure and equipment are needed on a continual basis. The park system operates extremely efficiently by leveraging a combination of county, state, and federal funds.

Fiscal responsibility is a core value for Anoka County. For every dollar that is invested in the County park system, a third comes from Anoka County and two thirds come from grants or state and federal allocations. The annual operational costs per acre of park land is only $620 in Anoka County compared to the metro region average of $1,843.

It is important to take an assessment of the resources that are currently within the park system to be able to plan for the future. Facility assessments and master plans are currently available or being developed for all parks, maintenance facilities and special recreation facilities to ensure that the Anoka County park system remains the high quality, community amenity for the public to enjoy.



OPERATIONAL COSTS PER ACRE
66% LOWER



TAKING AN ASSESSMENT

LANDS

Since the birth of the System in 1963, the land base has grown to a robust 11,500 acres of conservation properties that are geographically distributed across the landscape of Anoka County. The varying park properties are classified as Regional Parks, Park Reserves, Regional Trails, County Parks, Conservation Areas and Natural Areas. In addition to the County's park system, there are state and municipal lands that add to the outdoor recreational land base in the County. Refer to the appendix for further information. The current distribution and composition of the park properties function well, however, there are few remaining gaps identified for acquisition and property transfers that are worthy of further consideration to strengthen the overall parks system.

The areas identified for future acquisition include the Northwest Anoka County Search Area or "Sugar Hills", Rice Creek Headwaters in-holdings at Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve, and small in-holdings at Rum River Central Regional Park. Sugar Hills was identified as a search area for a new Regional Park in the original Metropolitan Regional Park System Plan in 1974 and continues to be identified as a high priority due to the geographical void of parks in the northwest corner of the county and the unique natural resources on more than 3,500 acres of the property. In addition, in-holdings located at Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve and Rum River Central Regional Park continue to be a priority for acquisition.

Another initiative that the county has been working on in the past has been transferring smaller county park properties that primarily serve local residents to municipalities. To date, the parks transferred are Golden Lake, Ham Lake, Twin Lakes County Parks, and Wickstrom County Forest. The last remaining property transfer priorities include Bass Pickerel County Forest in Nowthen, Goose Lake County Wetlands in East Bethel and Kordiak County Park in Columbia Heights. These last remaining transfers, if implemented, will incur savings to the Department's operating budget and avoidance of future capital expense.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Anoka County harbors the highest concentration of ecologically unique native plant and animal habitat in the seven-county metropolitan area. There are abundant occurrences of rare native plants and animals that have evolved and persist today. The Mississippi River and Rum River are two major river systems that flow through the County and are complemented with numerous fresh water lakes, streams and wetlands. The expansive 11,500-acre park system provides a diverse web of wildlife species and natural areas with intact forest systems, deciduous woodlands, oak savannas, prairies, and wetlands.

In accordance with the previous two system plans, Anoka County has been focused on establishing and growing the Natural Resources Management Unit. This has resulted in inventorying and mapping, rare species preservation, ecological restoration, corridor protection, forest health management, invasive species control, land protection opportunities, water quality enhancement, riverbank stabilization, wildlife management and inter-agency cooperation. Building further upon these efforts, an emphasis will be placed in the following areas over the next decade:

Water Quality

Anoka County will continue to maintain and improve water quality in lakes, rivers, streams and wetlands by implementing best management practices in storm water design, riparian bank stabilization, winter salt use, vegetation management, buffer management and non-point pollutants. This will include working closely with federal, state and local agencies to partner on projects that provide water quality benefits.

Invasive Species

Both terrestrial and aquatic invasive species threaten the biological diversity, function, and sustainability of plant and animal communities and aquatic ecosystems. Accordingly, Anoka County will continue to inventory, map, treat and monitor invasive species infestations in an effort to eliminate, reduce, minimize and slow the spread of invasive species.

Forest Management

The forested landscapes in the park system strongly influences the physical and biological environment by moderating micro climate; conserving energy and water, improving air quality, controlling storm water and flooding, buffering noise, providing wildlife habitat, providing fuel wood and timber, and enhancing the overall experience for all park visitors. The primary emphasis regarding forest management will include applying scientifically valid principles and practices relating to pruning, removals, plant selection, soils analysis and amendments, wildlife habitat, inventory, timber cruising, silvicultural prescriptions and forest health management.

Ecological Restoration

For the purposes of this plan, ecological restoration will be a science-based process to ensure ecological integrity in the management of the natural resources within the park system. A focus of ecological integrity will be placed on sustaining biological diversity, ecological processes, historical context and sustainable cultural practices. Some of the key ecological concepts that will be considered when planning and implementing restoration projects are succession, disturbance and historical range of variability. A priority emphasis will be placed on restoring and conserving the native prairie and oak savanna communities across the Anoka Sandplain.

Fisheries and Wildlife

Working with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, concerted efforts will focus on operating and maintaining winter lake aeration systems on Centerville Lake, Coon Lake, Martin Lake and Peltier Lake which are all subject to winter kills of game fish. Accelerated priority must be placed on riverbank stabilization efforts at severely eroding sites along the Mississippi River and Rum River which are contributing excessive soil and nutrient loading that degrade water quality and fisheries habitat. Monitoring and prescribed control measures will be implemented to sustain healthy local white-tailed deer and Canada Goose populations.

"We, collectively, have the privilege and duty to be entrusted stewards of the rich natural resources and park facilities that are merely under our ephemeral safe keeping for future generations."

Jeff Perry, Parks Director

PROGRAMMING

The Program Services Unit reaches more than 40,000 participants through a variety of environmental education, cultural, recreation, public programs and special events. Programing occurs throughout the entire county but is focused at the Wargo Nature Center, located in Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve. Current staffing levels include eight regular part-time and one full time position. Program participants and staff have identified through evaluations, comments and program requests that the following programming gaps exist:

Program Barriers

- As the population of Anoka County changes, there is a need and desire to expand programming to reach underserved populations.
- Wargo Nature Center is in the far eastern portion of Anoka County. A staffed programming facility on the western side of the county would help reach more people.
- Many parks lack facilities, equipment and/or program storage areas which makes it difficult to establish sustainable programming.

Shortage of Funding

- Reduced budgets have resulted in fewer programs delivered, programming supplies, recreational equipment and program mileage.
- A shortage of funds impacts the care for a variety of animals used in programming.

Shortage of Programming Staff

- A lack of programming staff significantly reduces the number and locations of programs the County can offer.
- The Recreation Coordinator teaches most of the recreation programs along with logistical coordination. This situation limits the amount of recreational program offerings, due to the availability of staff.
- Current non-benefited part-time positions result in constant staff turnover. This limits continuity of and long-term programming objectives and partnerships.

Partnerships

- Continue to explore partnerships with local schools, libraries, arts centers and other park and recreation agencies.
- A "Friends of Wargo" group would be helpful to support the nature center.
- An established volunteer program would provide much needed help and community support.

Infrastructure and Connectivity

- Wargo should be a destination where people from around the region visit and enjoy. However, improvements to the interactive interpretive displays, trail signage, nature play area and the canoe/kayak area are needed.
- A trail connection to the west of George Watch Lake is needed to allow community members easy access to Wargo Nature Center.
- A boardwalk and observation learning platform is needed to enable access to the lake and marsh for both school programming and visitors.

FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The Anoka County Parks and Recreation System offers a wide variety of facilities and supporting infrastructure to the public to meet evolving recreational demands. At various intervals over the past 20+ years, many of the original facilities and infrastructure have been replaced with new and more modern facilities. However, there are still older facilities and infrastructure that need replacement, undeveloped parks that need to undergo new improvements and the life cycles of many redeveloped facilities will need to be maintained or replaced over the next decade.

Most all park facility and infrastructure assets are inventoried and inspected on an annual basis. This information informs the various scheduled maintenance and replacement plans. The primary maintenance and replacement plans include buildings and pavilions, bituminous surfaces (roads, trails, and parking lots), well and septic systems, bridges and culverts, and playgrounds. These maintenance and replacement plans help to inform the 5-year capital improvements program and 10-year project forecast and on-going operations, maintenance planning and budgets. Over the next decade, the greatest facility and infrastructure needs include the following:

- Funding to support the County Parks (non-regional) such as Rum River North and South, Coon Lake, and Kordiak. The top priority needs include bituminous repairs and replacement, well and septic systems, playground replacements, pavilion repairs, boat launch repairs, bank stabilizations and natural resources management.
- Increased funding for maintaining and replacing park facilities, infrastructure and equipment throughout the Regional Park System.
- Well and septic system repairs and replacements will be needed system-wide due to the original infrastructure installation dating back to the 1960's and 70's. Many of these systems are failing and will need to be replaced over the next 10-years. Where city services are available, the County should look at connecting into those facilities.
- Extensive culvert and bituminous repairs and replacements will be needed system-wide in response to the aging infrastructure.
- Maintenance Facility development and enhancements are based on the Maintenance Facility Assessment that was conducted in 2016. The assessment examined the long-term system-wide needs for maintenance support buildings and infrastructure within the system to optimally support maintenance operations.
- Technology related infrastructure will need to be upgraded and implemented to accommodate the fast-changing technological trends in the parks system. This work would include making additional connections to the existing fiber optic lines connecting county facilities and adding technology services throughout the park system.

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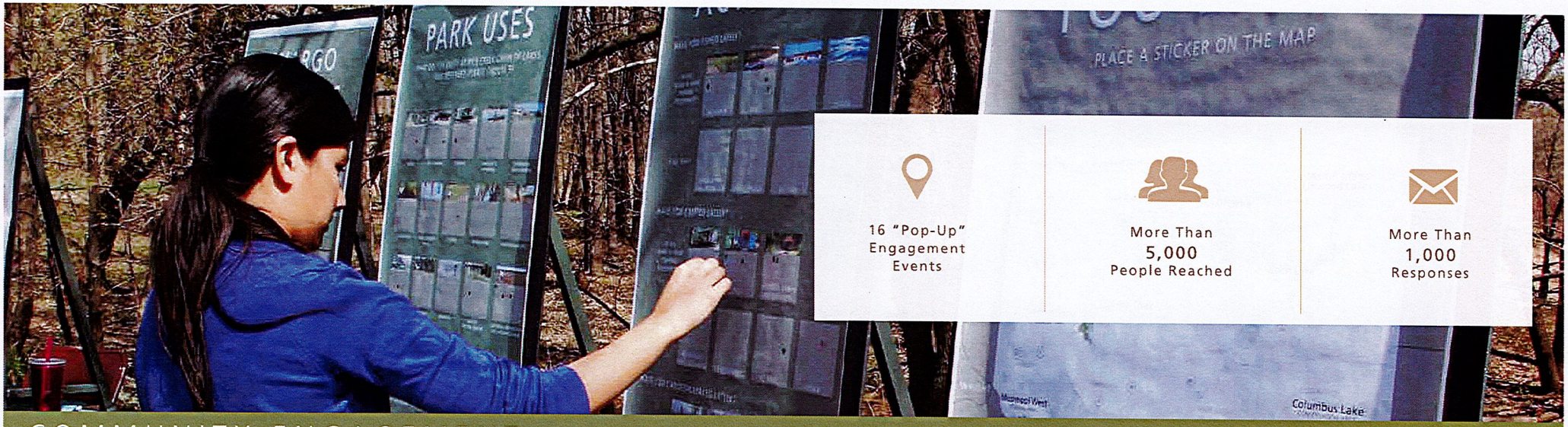
VISITOR SERVICES

Visitor services focus on the direct customer interactions that guests experience with the park system and parks staff. With approximately four million visits to the park system annually, these services are essential in providing guests with safe, convenient and educational opportunities. Current visitor services have been evaluated in the areas of reservations, public education, in-park assistance and ordinance enforcement. As the visits to the park system continue to increase, current staffing levels will need to be evaluated. Through customer surveys completed in 2017, two main areas of focus emerged. Those include, gaining a better understanding of expectation of park guests when they visit the park system and creating a system to provide efficient, highly responsive service delivery. Use of technology, public outreach, equity engagement and best practices assessments will continue to guide how visitor services will be provided in the next 10 years.



16 "Pop-Up" Engagement Events

More Than 5,000 People Reached

More Than 1,000 Responses

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement is a critical component in planning the future of the Anoka County Parks and Recreation System and any master planning process. An approach to public participation was developed to create an inclusive and accessible means for input that helps guide the park system planning efforts.

Key goals for public participation are:

1. Provide opportunities to connect with the public and gather feedback on multiple platforms including in-person and online and offer user preference surveys.
2. Seek feedback from non-park users or infrequent park users.
3. Engage with underrepresented or inequitably represented communities (including communities of color, seniors, teens, veterans and people with disabilities).
4. Build and strengthen positive relationships with the community.
5. Foster community ownership and understanding of the Anoka County parks and regional trails.
6. Ensure the public is aware of and has a solid understanding of the Anoka County Park System and the recreational amenities and opportunities available to the public for their enjoyment.

With these goals as a framework, the County recognizes that several of these objectives will be more difficult to measure. For instance, it will take time to see what relationships are strengthened or built from engaging with the public and often requires more time than allotted for the planning process. Despite this challenge, it is important to create opportunities for open and honest dialog to build trust with the public. Trust between the park system and the community will be built if the public recognizes their feedback is shaping the direction of the Park System Plan.

The community engagement process is conducted using several different approaches including 16 "pop-up" engagement, listening sessions and informal "static" user preference surveys placed in key locations. The County also created multi-lingual surveys available on several online platforms including the County's website, the Anoka County Parks website and was promoted on social media. These methods have resulted in participation from communities of all backgrounds and demographics within the County and beyond.

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Overall, the initial community engagement process reached more than 5,000 people and about 1,000 people were actively engaged in the process providing input. These engagement numbers are substantially higher than in the past and therefore, the County believes the community engagement process will be a valuable tool to use over the next ten years.

Some of the results from the engagement were anticipated, while others were not. Those results have been incorporated into the Park System Plan for the future planning processes. Some of the anticipated results include:

1. How information about the Anoka County Parks is accessed. As anticipated, most respondents use online searches and/or social media to access parks information, which relates to the continued increase in digital technologies and connectivity.
2. The top four park activities for survey respondents correlates to what has occurred in previous surveys for top activities in the parks:
   - Walking/biking
   - Rest/relaxation
   - Playgrounds
   - Swimming

A few of the notable results include:

1. Approximately half of respondents were unaware of Wargo Nature Center, which shows the need to do a better job of reaching and engaging diverse communities.
2. About 60% of respondents bring their dogs when they visit the parks and trails, which relates to the trend of dog parks and facility development for people and their dogs.
3. Trail development and improving existing facilities, followed closely by natural resource restoration and conservation were the top areas respondents felt the department should focus on in the next 10 years.

The results of the engagement process were used to help guide the County for the next ten years to meet the needs of the public. Many of the proposed facilities and amenities in the system plan are a direct result of the engagement process. For example, an overwhelming amount of support and desire for playgrounds with modern equipment was the impetus for the County proposing a destination playground for the system.

The County will further engage the public to ensure support for the plan prior to seeking plan approval. Additional information will be included based on comments and feedback received from the municipal agencies, regulatory agencies and other regional agencies.

INFLUENCES SHAPING OUR FUTURE

There are many factors that influence and shape the future of Anoka County. The biggest influences on the Parks and Recreation System are population growth, demographic and socio-economic trends, longevity, outdoor recreation trends, technology and social media, and partnerships with other agencies.

DEMOGRAPHIC & SOCIOECONOMIC EQUITY TRENDS

The Metropolitan Council's Thrive 2040 regional forecast estimates that the Twin Cities metropolitan area will become more racially and ethnically diverse over the next 30 years and that by 2040 the region's population of color will double to about 40% of the total population.

The Thrive forecast also estimates that by 2040, one in five people in the metropolitan region will be age 65 or older and there will be more people in that cohort than in the K-12 population for the first time in history. This trend shows that people are living healthier longer lives and that parks and trails play an important role in practicing a healthy lifestyle.

According to the American Fact Finder, approximately 20% of the population under age 65 has a disability. That percentage increases to 50% for those over the age of 65 and a majority of the disabilities are non-visible. After age 65, the number of people with more than one disability also increases. This trend influences how the County plans, develops and provides easily accessible services for parks, trails and amenities.

Income and poverty play a role in who uses parks on a regular basis. According to a study done for the Metropolitan Council by ISG in 2016, the majority of park users make $60,000 or more in household income. That means there is a significant amount of the population that do not participate in outdoor recreation. Poverty levels for minority populations in the State are anywhere from two to four times higher than the poverty levels for whites alone. In Anoka County, the rates for minorities are three to four times higher than those of the poverty levels for whites alone. As the County moves forward, it will need to focus increasingly on engaging the part of the population that is in the lower income and poverty level brackets.

In Anoka County, 7.2% of the population is foreign born and 10.4% speak a language other than English. With an influx of immigrants and a variety of languages spoken, the County must increase engagement efforts to reach that portion of the population that does not speak English.

These trends require changes to the way the County plans, operates and manages the park system and its amenities to ensure outdoor recreation participation from a complete cross-section of the population.

POPULATION GROWTH

According to the Metropolitan Council's 2040 Regional Forecasts, the population for the Twin Cities region exceeded three million in 2015 and is forecast to be 3.7 million by 2040. Anoka County is anticipated to grow by 33% between 2010 and 2040 to a population of 440,000. Following those trends and the past 10 years of park visitor use estimates conducted by Anoka County in partnership with the Metropolitan Council, it is anticipated that the number of park visitors to the Anoka County Park system will continue to increase to more than 5.0 million annually in the next ten years.

ANOKA COUNTY POPULATION ANTICIPATED TO GROW

33%

MAJORITY OF PARK USERS MAKE MORE THAN

60K

AVERAGE POPULATION OVER 65 WITH A DISABILITY

50%

OUTDOOR RECREATION

The biggest trend related to outdoor recreation is social equity and how that influences what the park system offers and how it is offered. The changing population demographics significantly transforms trends in outdoor recreation. For example, the Metropolitan Council's "Regional Park Use Among Select Communities of Color" study found that participants prefer larger group gatherings, so additional large group pavilions should be added to the park system as development and redevelopment occurs.

Other trends discovered through the community engagement process include:

- Increase and diversify programming; more family oriented programming; more event programs.
- More free programming.
- More variety in camping accommodations.
- Safe walkable destinations/parks, which relates back to the changing demographics and generational differences
- Mobile recreation or recreation on the go; mobile programs conducted at various locations through-out the County; programs brought to where the people are instead of people having to go to the program.
- Interactive Water Play
- Mountain biking/fat tire biking
- Dog Parks

PARTNERSHIPS

The County continues to partner with a variety of agencies on projects, amenities and funding. Project related partnerships include working with the Conservation Corps of Minnesota on natural resource restoration throughout the regional system. Facility related partnerships include the Rapids Archery Club, as well as Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts. Funding related partnerships will continue as agencies compete for dwindling funding sources. These partnerships have been with a variety of local, regional, state and federal partnerships, such as the following:

- Minnesota Department of Natural Resource
- Minnesota Department of Transportation
- State of Minnesota
- Metropolitan Council
- Watershed Districts and Watershed Management Organizations
- Conservation Districts
- Local Cities
- National Park Service
- Federal Highway Administration
- University of Minnesota
- Other County departments, such as Recycling and Resource Solutions and the County Highway and/or Community Health Department.

In competition for other needed public services such as education, human services and public safety, these partnerships will continue to become more important as outdoor recreation providers face continued budget challenges.

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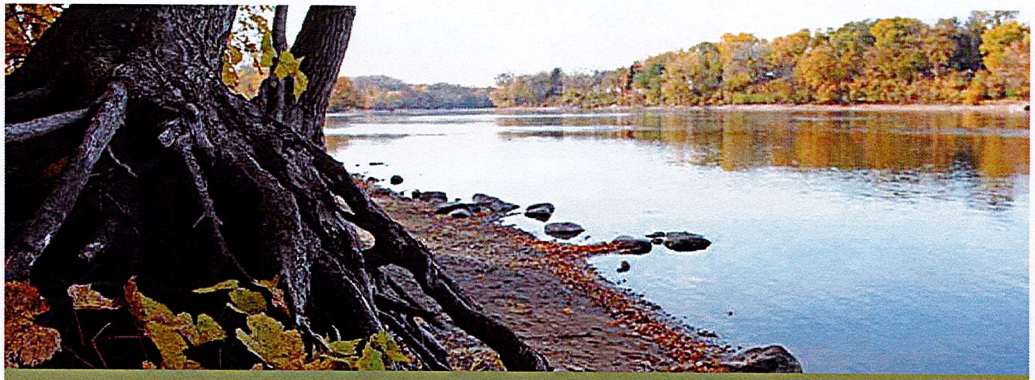


MISSISSIPPI RIVER CORRIDOR CRITICAL AREA

OVERVIEW

The Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area (MRCCA) is a land corridor along the Mississippi River in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area governed by special land development regulations that protect and preserve the unique natural, recreational, transportation, and cultural features of this section of the Mississippi River. It comprises 72 miles of river and 54,000 acres of surrounding land in 30 local jurisdictions.

The MRCCA was designated in 1976 by Executive Order following passage of the Minnesota Critical Areas Act of 1973. The Critical Areas Act (Minn. Stat., §116G) provides a general regulatory framework for protecting specific areas of the state that possess important historic, cultural, or aesthetic values or natural systems through a defined local-regional planning and regulation process. The MRCCA was the first and remains the only critical area in the state. The MRCCA protects these resources through local governments land use plans and zoning ordinances that regulate structure placement, height, vegetation clearing, land alteration and subdivision of land.

The MRCCA contains many significant natural and cultural resources, including: water, navigational capabilities, scenic views, geology and soils, vegetation, minerals, flora and fauna, cultural and historic resources and land and water-based recreational resources. The MRCCA is home to a full range of residential neighborhoods and parks, as well as river-related commerce, industry and transportation. Though the river corridor has been extensively developed, many intact and remnant natural areas remain, including bluffs, islands, floodplains, wetlands, riparian zones and native aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna. The MRCCA also shares the same border as the Mississippi National River & Recreation Area (MNRRA), a unit of the National Park Service.

The purpose of the rules, adopted by the State in January 2017, is to establish districts and minimum standards and criteria to guide land use and development within the MRCCA, consistent with the purpose of Minn. Stat. § 116G.15 (2015). The rules are the result of extensive collaboration with local governments, business and environmental groups, and property owners to hear concerns, gather ideas and balance interests for rules that:

- Improve protections for water quality, habitat and scenic views;
- Protect existing development and allow redevelopment while protecting key resources; and
- Provide clear standards for landowners and simplify local government administration.

The major items addressed in the new rules include:

- Responsibilities and duties of state, regional and local government
- Preparation, review, approval and adoption of local plans and ordinances
- How nonconformities, conditional/interim uses and variances are addressed
- Establishment of six districts, each with dimensional standards for water and bluff setbacks, and building height
- General development standards for roads and other transportation facilities, recreational facilities, stairways and signs
- Standards for protecting bluffs and steep slopes
- Standards for vegetation management and land alteration in sensitive areas
- Standards for protecting key resources as part of new development and redevelopment

MRCCA DISTRICTS

The rules identify parts of the MRCCA that have similar characteristics and group them into six common districts. The districts are based on the natural and built character of different areas of the river corridor, and reflect existing conditions, as well as current development trends and land uses. Each district has specific dimensional standards and structure setbacks from the OHWL and bluffs, building height limits, and the amount of open space required for subdivisions/redevelopment vary by district. These are the only standards in the MRCCA rules that vary by district. All other standards apply uniformly throughout the corridor. The six districts are:

- Rural & Open Space District (CA-ROS) Rural undeveloped and developed low density residential land that is riparian or visible from the river, often contains tracts of high quality ecological resources.
- River Neighborhood District (CA-RN) Developed residential lands and existing/planned parkland that are visible from the river, or that abut riparian parkland.
- River Towns & Crossings District (CA-RTC) - Historic downtown and river crossing commercial areas, as well as existing institutional campuses.
- Separated from River District (CA-SR) Land that is separated from and not visible from the river.
- Urban Mixed District (CA-UM) Commercial, institutional, and industrial mixed-use areas as well as existing/planned parklands.
- Urban Core District (CA-UC) - Urban cores of Minneapolis and St. Paul.

These districts are important in guiding land use along the river that allows for development and redevelopment while protecting and preserving the unique characteristics of the river and are administered through the cities of Anoka, Coon Rapids, Fridley and Ramsey's local zoning ordinances and/or regulations. There are five districts throughout the corridor in Anoka County. Four of the districts are located within Anoka County jurisdiction as part of the County's Park System. These parks have a variety of restrictions and covenants that prohibit the parks from changing uses and require the parks to remain as parks and open space for recreational purposes. Plans for these parks does include development and redevelopment, but the dimensional standards of the different MRCCA districts will impact how the County goes about planning, developing and redeveloping these parks. Maps depicting the MRCCA Districts within each Anoka County Park are shown in the appendix.

Moving north to south along the corridor, Mississippi West Regional Park located within the City of Ramsey, includes a portion of the "Rural and Open Space" Critical Area District. Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park located in the City of Coon Rapids, includes portions of two MRCCA districts. The islands within the river are within the "Rural and Open Space" district, while the main park area is within the "River Neighborhood" Critical Area District. Manomin Park, which is the western terminus for Rice Creek West Regional Trail, is situated at the confluence of the Mississippi River and Rice Creek in the City of Fridley. This park includes portions of the "River Neighborhood" and "Separated from the River" districts. Islands of Peace, which is part of Riverfront Regional Park located in the City of Fridley, contains portions of the "Rural and Open Space", "River Neighborhood" and "Urban Mix" districts, while Riverfront Regional Park located south of Interstate 694 in the City of Fridley is within the "Urban Mix" district.

Below is an example of the differing dimensional standards for each district.

Table 1: Dimensional Standards for Districts

DISTRICT	CA-ROS Rural and Open Space	CA-RN River Neighborhood	CA-RTC River Towns & Crossings	CA-SR Separated from River	CA-UM Urban Mixed	CA-UC Urban Core
Height	35'	35'	48'*	Underlying zoning	65'*	Underlying zoning
River Setback	200'	100'	75'	NA	50'	Underlying zoning
Bluff Setback	100'	40'	40'	40'	40'	40'

*Greater height may be allowed with a local conditional use permit.

Since the County does not have land use and zoning authority, the County will work with the local municipalities to help ensure any changes in land use and development within the district corridor are consistent with the management purpose of the corresponding MRCCA District. The County will follow the rules and dimensional standards of the MRCCA districts to guide development and redevelopment in these areas so that the existing character and aesthetic of the district is maintained in the future.

PRIMARY CONSERVATION AREAS

Primary Conservation Areas (PCAs) are defined as key resources and features that are to be protected through the MRCCA plans and ordinance requirements. These resources and features include shore impact zones (SIZ), bluff impact zones (BIZ), floodplains, wetlands, gorges, areas of confluence with tributaries, natural drainage routes, unstable soils and bedrock, native plant communities, cultural and historic properties, significant existing vegetative stands, tree canopies and "other resources" identified in local government MRCCA plans. PCAs are important to ensure that important resources and features in the MRCCA are given priority consideration for protection by every level or government. Maps for PCAs can be found in the Appendix.

Shore Impact Zones (SIZs)

The shore impact zone is defined as the land located between the ordinary high-water level of public waters and a line parallel to it at a setback of 50 percent of the required structure setback, i.e., it is a buffer area between the water's edge and the area where development is permitted, based on the structure setback for the MRCCA district. As illustrated in the Shore Impact Zone map in the appendix, the shore impact zone varies by park and MRCCA district, but can be up to 100 feet.

Wetland, Floodplains and Areas of Confluence with Tributaries

Most of the parks under Anoka County jurisdiction that are within the MRCCA corridor contain a variety of wetlands and floodplain areas. These areas include islands in the Mississippi River or lowland areas immediately adjacent to the river. Mississippi West Regional Parks contains two islands, Foster and Cloquet, which contain wetland habitat and fall within the floodplain as do some of the lower-lying areas at the bottom of the bluff. The southern half of Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park contains wetlands and is located within the floodplain, as are the river islands. Approximately a third of Manomin Park is within an identified wetland area and only a small portion of the park is within the floodplain. The islands that make up Islands of Peace, Chases, Durnum and Gil Hodges islands all contain wetland habitat and are located in the floodplain as is a small portion of the low-lying areas within the main use area. The majority of Riverfront Regional Park, which sits atop the river bluff does not contain wetlands and is not within the floodplain. Only the low-lying areas along the toe of the bluff are within the floodplain. These areas are important in that they provide storage for storm and flood waters as well as function as a filter to help improve water quality.

Natural Drainage Routes

Within the MRCCA corridor, there are four main drainage routes within the Anoka County Park System; the Mississippi River, which flows through the cities of Ramsey, Anoka, Coon Rapids and Fridley; Coon Creek and Pleasure Creek within Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park in the City of Coon Rapids and Rice Creek within Manomin Park in the City of Fridley.

Bluff Impact Zones (BIZs)

The bluff impact zones were established to protect bluffs within MRCCA to reduce erosion and prevent slope failure. Depending on the MRCCA district, the setback distance could be 40 to 100 feet. The Bluff Impact Zone map illustrates the bluff impact zones within Anoka County's jurisdiction. The bluffs located within Mississippi West Regional Park are a known risk area. Due to sandy soils and varying river flows, some areas have eroded and the bank/bluff continues to slough. Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park contains bluff impact zones immediately adjacent to the river north of the dam, while south of the dam the bluff is set back away from the river and provides the transition between parkland and residential homes within the Separated from the River District. Manomin and Islands of Peace both have small areas of bluff impact zones, while the majority of Riverfront Regional Park's bluff line is included within the Bluff Impact Zone, but is relatively stable.

Native Plant Communities and Significant Existing Vegetative Stands

Due to the large amount of residential homes along the river, land outside of Anoka County jurisdiction within the MRCCA corridor consists mostly of managed turf and woody vegetation. Within the county's jurisdiction of the corridor, there are many different vegetation stands within the parks, but only one identified significant native plant community, which is the "Silver Maple (Virginia Creeper) Floodplain Forest". This community is located on Foster Island within Mississippi West Regional Park and Durnam Island within Islands of Peace Park. Anoka County has restored a variety of native plant communities within the corridor including prairie and oak savannas.

Cultural and Historic Properties

The Mississippi River and the Coon Rapids Dam are both culturally and historically significant. The river, originally called "Father of Waters" by Native Americans, was used for trade by Native Americans, frontier explorers, fur traders, and loggers. With the development of the railroad and transportation network, the river was seen less and less as a means of transportation and as farm and crop lands along the river were converted to residential housing and urban development occurred, the river was seen more and more as an amenity. Today, the river provides a great source of enjoyment and MRCCA rules will help conserve the scenic, environmental, recreational, cultural and historic character and functions of the river corridor.

During 1913, the Coon Rapids hydro-electric dam was completed. Once completed, the dam raised the level of the river 15 feet behind the dam, creating a recreational pool. The dam produced electricity until the late 1960s and became a part of the regional park in 1969. A walkway was constructed atop of the dam for pedestrian and bicycle use which connected Anoka and Hennepin County's. Currently, Three River's Park District owns and operates the dam, but the MN Department of Natural Resources is responsible for management of the dam as a fish barrier and for setting the pool operation parameters.

The other culturally significant and historic property within Anoka County's jurisdiction of the MRCCA boundary is the Banfill Locke Center for the Arts Building. Historically known as the Banfill Tavern, this building is a two-story Greek Revival house built in 1847. The building served as a primary stopping point on the Red River Trails for fur traders and travelers. Since then, the house has functioned as a post office, general store, summer home, dairy farm, day camp for children, museum, and today as a community art center referred to as Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts (BLCA). Property of Anoka County, the house serves the community with a mission to inspire, enrich, and educate through the lenses of both writing and visual arts. The house is located within Manomin Park in the City of Fridley.

1. McGaffey, W. (1937, June) Historic Sites Survey. Minnesota Historical Society.

Gorges

There are no identified gorges within the Anoka County jurisdiction of the MRCCA corridor.

Unstable Soils & Bedrock

The majority of soils within Anoka County's jurisdiction of the MRCCA boundary are relatively stable. Areas where there is high soil erosion susceptibility are along the steeper bluff lines of the river and its tributaries, as well as man-made embankments, such as along Highway 610 at Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park.

Primary Conservation Areas should be protected and the County will follow the local municipality ordinances to ensure their protection. Native vegetation within the MRCCA corridor will be managed to ensure health and vitality and encourage native wildlife habitat.

PUBLIC RIVER CORRIDOR VIEWS (PRCVS)

Public River Corridor Views are those view-sheds determined to be of high value within the MRCCA boundary. Identifying and documenting these views will guide future development in a way so that the scenic resources along the river are protected. Since most of the river corridor through Anoka County is privately owned with single family homes backing up to the river, these views and public access through the parks is an important way to keep people connected to the river.

Views Toward River from Public Places

Scenic views toward the river within Anoka County's Parks jurisdiction in the MRCCA boundary include:

Mississippi West Regional Park
The view looking south from the Mississippi West Regional Park observation point just south of the boat launch. This area provides a view of the river, Foster Island and the eastern oxbow of the river.

The view looking north from the Mississippi River Trail's observation point in the southern portion of the park. This provides a view of the river, Cloquet Island and the confluence of the two channels that go around the island. Cloquet Island also has an active eagle's nest, which provides great bird watching.

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park
From the observation deck to the river.

Manomin Park
From the "island" bluff looking south at the Rice Creek and Mississippi River confluence.

Islands of Peace
At the informal canoe launch area on Chases Island, views include the river and Durnam Island.

Riverfront
From the Mississippi River Trail near Riedel Farm House.

Views Toward Bluff from River

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park
From the Dam walkway looking north.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO THESE VIEWS IN THE PARKS IS AN IMPORTANT WAY TO KEEP PEOPLE CONNECTED TO THE RIVER.

PRIORITIES FOR RESTORATION

Restoration measures are needed to maintain the character and integrity of the corridor, as well as maintain and/or improve water quality. Priorities were established using a GIS-based process that identified the wetlands, bluff impact zones, shore impact zones, floodplains and unstable soils/bedrock primary conservation areas and native plant communities and significant vegetation stands.

While the bluff and shore impact zones are priorities for vegetation restoration, a few segments within Mississippi West, Coon Rapids Dam and Manomin parks have been identified as additional high priority areas. Although most of the formerly fallow agriculture fields at Mississippi West have been restored to a native prairie grassland habitat, the shoreline/bluff just south of the boat launch to just north of the Rivenwick development area has been identified as a priority because of the steep bank which is continuing to erode. Another priority restoration area is north of the dam at Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park where the bank is rather steep and at Manomin Park on the south bank of the confluence of Rice Creek with the Mississippi River. Even though, the bank at Riverfront is rather steep, the current vegetation is keeping the bank in place and reducing erosion. This section is not necessarily a restoration priority because it is relatively stable; it is a restoration priority for the invasive species (Buckthorn) that makes up the vegetation stabilizing the bank. The County will be actively managing the buckthorn and anticipates the native vegetation to eventually start to flourish and out-compete the buckthorn.

The County has a Natural Resource Unit that actively manages the vegetation within Anoka County's parks within the MRCCA corridor.

OPEN SPACE & RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Open space and recreational facilities add to the quality of the community and provide access to the river. The parks within Anoka County's jurisdiction within the corridor were acquired with the river as the central feature and include facilities, such as trails, overlooks, fishing piers and boat launches.

The Coon Rapids Dam and Riverfront Regional Parks have each seen redevelopment recently, so no new recreation facilities are planned, but there are additional maintenance facilities planned for these parks in the future. These maintenance facilities will serve as a point of central maintenance and operations for the parks.

At this time, the only recreational facilities at Mississippi West Regional Park are some trails and a public boat launch, with a few canoe campsites located on the islands. Since the park falls into the Rural and Open Space District, the dimensional setbacks for the district will inform the future development plans, which include a visitor center, maintenance facility, picnic pavilions, restrooms, playgrounds, trails, river overlooks, roads and parking lots.

Repaving of existing parking lots and trails are anticipated to occur at Manomin and Island of Peace parks in the near future.

The County currently coordinates with the local agencies on trail connections throughout the County, whether it pertains to the MRCCA corridor or not.

SURFACE WATER/WATER-ORIENTED USES

Surface water uses on the Mississippi River are primarily boating, canoeing and kayaking in the Anoka County stretch and barges and riverboat tours south of Minneapolis. Water-oriented uses occur on the land adjacent to the river and include boat launches, docks, barge terminals and marinas.

Since the MRCCA corridor within Anoka County consists mainly of residential homes and public parkland, there are no water-oriented uses or surface water uses other than recreational motorized and non-motorized boating. Motorized boating is provided for at the public accesses within Mississippi West, Coon Rapids Dam and Riverfront Regional Parks, at a few local municipal launches, as well as the private docks at the riverfront homes in the corridor. Non-motorized boating is provided for at any of the public parklands along the river and at the private docks at riverfront homes.

Anoka County Parks has plans to add additional docks at the public access at Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park, but does not anticipate this to impact or cause a disruption to the river. These docks, when built properly, can allow more opportunities for public access to the corridor while minimizing its impact to the river.

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES

The relation of transportation and utilities to natural resources has always been a double-edged sword. Transportation facilities can have a negative impact on scenic views, habitat and native vegetation, but they also provide access to those natural resources. Future development of these facilities should be designed to minimize impacts and disruption to the MRCCA corridor and its resources.

Transportation facilities within the MRCCA corridor not in Anoka County jurisdiction include Interstate 694, Highway 610 and city streets. Transportation facilities under Anoka County jurisdiction are limited to County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 1 (East River Road) in Fridley, which serves as the eastern boundary of the corridor; two sections of CSAH 1 in (Coon Rapids Blvd.) in Coon Rapids, which provide the eastern corridor boundary and a small portion of CSAH 57 at Highway 10 in Ramsey. Most of these roadway segments serve as the easternmost boundary of the corridor and have relatively little impact on the river and corridor as there are mostly residential areas between the traffic and river that serve as a buffer for the corridor. Other transportation facilities within corridor that are under Anoka County jurisdiction include paved trails, parks roads and parking lots at each of the parks. The Mississippi River Trail, a state and nationally designated bike route, also runs through the length of the MRCCA corridor.

CSAH 1 (East River Road) is a minor arterial road that carries traffic in a north-south direction along the river. Anoka County developed a master plan for the CSAH 1 corridor in conjunction with the Cities of Coon Rapids and Fridley in 2012. Recommendations for the corridor include the addition of trails and transitioning certain connector streets to cul-de-sacs, which would help minimize traffic impacts on the corridor. There are no current planned construction projects at this time.

While there are no current plans for improvements to the Highway 10 and CSAH 57 intersection, the MnDOT's Highway 10 Management Plan proposes a grade separated interchange at some point in the future which will improve access to the corridor.

Transportation related facilities, such as roadways, parking lots and trails will be included as part of the Mississippi West Regional Park development which is expected to occur 2023. These facilities will be located and constructed in such a manner to minimize the impacts to the corridor, while still providing access. There are no plans for additional transportation facilities at Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park and recent redevelopment at Riverfront Regional Park provided additional bicycle/pedestrian facilities (trails) from CSAH 1 into the park. Therefore, no new transportation facilities are proposed for that park. Manomin and Islands of Peace parks are both anticipated to have existing parking lots reconstructed in the next 5-10 years.

Public utilities can impact PCAs and PRCVs along the corridor. There are approximately five electrical transmission lines within the MRCCA corridor in Anoka County jurisdiction. Four are located within Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park and one is near Pavilion #2 at Riverfront Regional Park. There are several storm-water outlets within the corridor under Anoka County jurisdiction located at Mississippi West, Coon Rapids Dam and Riverfront Regional Parks. Most of these facilities are owned by the city of jurisdiction. At this time, there are no known plans for additional future public utilities.

POLICIES

Since the County does not have land use authority, land use zoning and enforcement is implemented through the local municipalities. Future development and redevelopment within Anoka County Parks will follow the requirements as set forth in the Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area rules and local zoning ordinances.

IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS

It is the intention of Anoka County to implement actions within the corridor that are in compliance with the new MRCCA rules. Anoka County played an active role throughout the rule-writing process (hearings, meetings and written reviews) and is committed to carrying out management and planning activities in a manner consistent with the spirit, intention and restrictions contained in the new MRCCA rules.

To that end, Anoka County will:

- Conduct future development and redevelopment within the parks in accordance with the rules and regulations of the MRCCA.
- Continue to work with local agencies and local communities, if there is an interest in establishing surface water regulations north of the Coon Rapids Dam.
- Conduct feasibility study/research to address bluff erosion issues at Mississippi West Regional Park and Coon Rapids Dam Regional Parks
- Coordinate with regional, state and national planning efforts within the MRCCA.
- Manage natural resources and conduct land alterations activities consistent with MRCCA regulations.

VISIONING TOMORROW'S PARK SYSTEM

PROTECTING LANDS AND RESOURCES

As a natural resource based park system, conservation and stewardship of the natural environment, as well as, the cultural heritage is essential for the County's thriving park system. Public ownership ensures these resources and habitats are protected and provides access for all. As shown through the community engagement process, natural resource restoration and conservation is one of the top three areas the County should focus on for the next 10 years. The County has protected approximately 11,500 acres in regional park and trail lands, natural areas, county park lands and conservation areas. Public ownership of this acreage helps preserve the open space and the natural environment while the County continues to grow and develop.

As the County population continues to grow, parks and open space become even more important. The County currently contains extensive wetland habitats, native prairies and woodland habitats, as well as lakes, rivers and stream habitats. To provide additional open space as the County continues to grow, the County has identified an area in the northwest corner of the county, as previously mentioned, for regional parkland and open space protection. The area contains up to 3,500 acres of varying habitat and topography, which would provide an excellent foundation for a new regional park or park reserve.

Stewardship, using sustainable conservation practices, will provide the key to balancing the preservation, restoration and enhancement of the park system along with the development and redevelopment needs required for a functional and enjoyable park system.

The system would not be as robust as it is today without the generous funding provided through the Metropolitan Council, the Parks Acquisition Opportunity Fund, which is comprised of funding from the LCCMR and Parks and Trail Legacy program, and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Conservation Partnership Grants. Active pursuit of new and existing funding sources will be imperative over the next decade.

REACHING A BROADER AUDIENCE

Reaching a broader audience will require the County to address the issue of equity within the park system. Current demographics show that approximately 85% of the County population is Caucasian and park studies indicate that the overwhelming majority of park users are Caucasian. That leaves a significant portion of the population that does not use the park system at all. The County proposes to focus engagement on a full cross section of the population, while specifically targeting those populations not currently using the park system during its planning processes. This will include not only master planning of the parks and trails system, but engagement in the educational and recreational programming planning processes as well.

By concentrating on engaging non-park users, the County can work to determine what barriers they face to use the parks, what would make them feel more welcome within the park system and what amenities they would want to see installed in their park system.

In addition to engaging the public, the County will work to provide a more welcoming atmosphere for the park system. This will include examining how people access information on the park system, ensuring information is easy to find and easy to understand. Simple changes can be made, such as including multiple languages on the signs visitors see when they are first entering the parks and multi-lingual options on the County's website.

"The pressure of urbanization and development threatens the most valuable remaining large recreational open spaces in the metropolitan area at the same time as the need for such areas is increased. Immediate action is therefore necessary to provide funds to acquire, preserve, protect and develop regional recreational open space for public use."

Minnesota Statue 473.302

BUILDING AND RESTORING THE SYSTEM

As a park system with more than 11,500 acres, providing investments to the existing infrastructure and amenities within the parks and trails system is key to ensuring a continually viable and adaptive park system in the future. The County has made significant investments to restore the system over the last several years. In the last five years, about $4.0 million has been spent on redevelopment and improvements in the system. Such investments can be as small as replacing a light fixture or as large as a park redevelopment project, which includes picnic pavilions, road, trail and parking lot reconstruction, as well as, natural resource restoration. While most of the parks have been redeveloped, there will always be a need for reinvestment in the system.

Since most existing regional parks have been redeveloped, the County is looking forward to the development of Mississippi West Regional Park, one of the few parks that is not fully developed. While a boat launch and trail has already been constructed at the park, other proposed plans call for an interpretive center, picnic pavilions, trails, playgrounds, restrooms, roads and parking lots. The County will engage with the public to ensure that the local and regional communities needs will be met with this project.

Building and restoring the system also entails being adaptive to changing needs and demographics of the community. To do this, the County will engage with the community on a regular basis to ensure community needs are being met with future development and redevelopment projects.

Building and restoring the system will remain dependent on the continued financial support of Anoka County, through the County's annual operating budget and the Metropolitan Council through their operations & maintenance grants as well as the lottery-in-lieu of grant program, which helps to support the regional system.

ENHANCING THE VISITOR EXPERIENCE

Enhancing the visitor experience not only includes enhancing the tangible parts of the system, but it also includes the intangible items. Tangible parts of the system include not only bricks and mortar items, such as making sure the existing facilities are functional and in good repair, but it also includes smaller items such as providing labeled photographs of prairie plants on an interpretive sign along a prairie's edge, so users can see the plants out in the field and then identify what they are on the sign.

To enhance visitor experience, the County should perform an ongoing review of services and facilities to meet or exceed visitor expectations, i.e. friendly staff, clean restrooms, safe facilities, nature-based experiences, convenient access, and affordable opportunities. The objective is to create a memorable and meaningful experience through a program, class, activity, campsite, or location that will remain with the visitor for decades. What can the County change to meet or exceed those expectations and create memorable experiences? Tools to measure expectations and experiences include after visit surveys, general surveys, social media, and general observations.

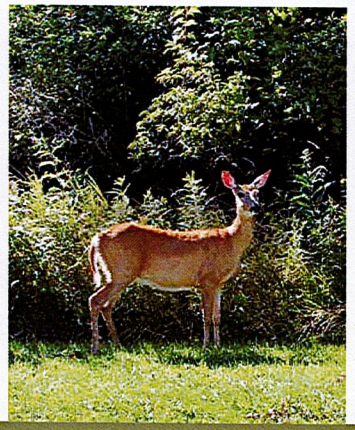
To further enhance the visitor experience, the County should review annually what the system offers and develop new ideas on what the County can do to attract new visitors and keep current visitors coming back. For example, are there programs the County can offer outside the park system by partnering with the local municipalities in their park system?

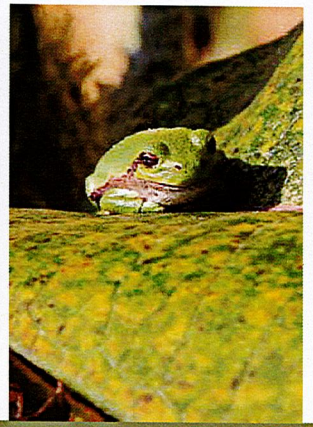
To build trust and lasting relationships with our customers, the County must authentically engage the public and create a dialogue of how Anoka County can meet customer needs, requests, and expectations as well as how we can show our customers loyalty and appreciation. The County must also seek to reach people that are unaware of the County's offerings and seek to understand why some of the public may not use our parks, i.e., what barriers do they face, lack of recreational opportunity know-how or cost of programs.

SUSTAINING CAPACITY AND SERVICES

By 2040, the metropolitan region is projected to be home to almost 3.7 million people. Accommodating population growth poses challenges for sustaining capacity and services in the parks system. While the County has open space and parks throughout the county, the anticipated population growth will make expanding and/or preserving space for parks and trails more challenging. Sustainability seeks to protect our systems vitality for generations to come by preserving our capacity to maintain and support our system's well-being and productivity over the long term. The County's investments in our parks and trail's system will fall short over the long term if we exhaust our resources without investing in the future.

Therefore, to sustain and expand the capacity of the system and services, not only does the County need to continue to invest in the parks and trails system, but the Metropolitan Council must as well. Since the regional parks system falls under the jurisdiction of Metropolitan Council, the Met Council should continue to provide funds to the local agencies as well as expand the amount of funds available.





PROTECTING AND RESTORING NATURAL RESOURCES

Since 1963, Anoka County has created and fostered a strong commitment to establishing, protecting, preserving, and restoring natural resources throughout the evolving Parks System. Today, the County's natural resource based park system contains a diverse and inter-connected network of natural areas including upland forests, deciduous woodlands, upland prairies, oak savannas, forested wetlands, shrub wetlands, open wetlands, and an abundance of wildlife.

In 1996, a Natural Resources Management Unit was established and charged with the continued stewardship and management of the natural resources. Through the previous two parks system planning processes, an emphasis was placed on inventorying and describing the resources, defining a restoration and management framework, identifying issues, strategies and goals to begin actively managing those resources. As the Natural Resources Unit has evolved over the past 22 years, many of the previous plan's goals have been achieved.

NATURAL RESOURCES ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Completed an open space study, in partnership with the University of Minnesota, of the last remaining high quality natural areas and established priorities for future protection. This led to the acquisition and protection of approximately 2,000 additional acres in the Rice Creek Headwaters Area and the Columbus Lake Conservation Area.
- Implemented a two-phase Cedar Creek Greenway study that led to the acquisition and protection of the 550-acre Cedar Creek Conservation Area.
- Created a unique four-agency collaboration at the Sandhill Crane Natural area to collectively protect and manage 500 acres of some of the region's last remaining rare habitat. This has led to on-the-ground resource management projects and conservation easements on private lands that will protect the natural resources in perpetuity.
- Began active restoration of more than 3,500 acres of prairie, wetland, and forest habitat through prescribed burning, mechanical disturbance, grazing, invasive species removals, seeding and planting native species.
- Established a county-wide Aquatic Invasive Species Program that targets every public boat launch throughout the county to prevent and reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species.
- Established an Emerald Ash Borer Response Plan to combat the invasive insect and increase the biodiversity of tree species within the park system.
- Stabilized more than 4,000 linear feet of riverbank along the Rum and Mississippi Rivers to improve water quality and fisheries habitat.
- Established safe and effective deer and goose management programs that have led to sustainable wildlife populations throughout the parks system.
- Successfully secured more than $10,000,000 in grant funds to protect and restore natural resources throughout the parks system.

PLANNING AND MANANGEMENT STRATEGIES

General natural resources management strategies include identifying and assessing remnant plant and animal communities, monitoring rare species, controlling invasive species, ecologically restoring native plant and animal habitat, controlling detrimental insects and disease, wildlife management, enhancing water quality, erosion control and cooperative land stewardship.

A sustainable development framework is utilized in all new park and trail development and redevelopment to ensure ecologically sound land stewardship.

The following natural resource management components are an integral part of Anoka County's planning and management efforts:

- Anoka County's Natural Resources Unit will be directly involved with the design, construction and monitoring of the proposed development. A concerted emphasis will be placed on avoiding and minimizing any adverse impacts to the plant and animal habitat, as well as lake and river habitat. In addition, Anoka County will incorporate local native seed and plant materials that will complement the ecology and function of the surrounding native plant communities.
- Protection of surface water resources will be a top priority. Anoka County will work very closely with watershed districts, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Metropolitan Council to ensure the standards and requirements for resource protection are consistent with the Council's model ordinance for storm water management.
- The overall vegetation management goal for Anoka County is to identify restoration needs and to define and implement adaptive management strategies that will sustain the biological diversity, production, and function of native plant communities. Vegetation management within the park system will focus on preserving native plants, introducing local native plants, eradicating invasive species, maintaining water quality and providing for plant and wildlife corridor connections. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reference "Guidelines for Managing and Restoring Natural Plant Communities Along Trails and Waterways" will be used as part of the park system's long-term management plan.

Considering that ecosystems are dynamic and continually changing over time and location; an adaptive management approach and framework fits very well with the County's practice of ecological restoration and stewardship.

In summary, the overarching strategic direction for protecting and restoring the natural resources across Anoka County's Park System will be achieved through maintaining, restoring, and rehabilitating biological diversity, function and production of interconnected ecological systems and processes across the landscape. An emphasis will be placed on valid scientific principles and practices designed to achieve future desired conditions that will enhance ecological health and that will provide quality outdoor recreational experiences for all park visitors. In addition, integrating conservation education and awareness with park planning, programming, visitor services, and maintenance will assist in carrying out the mission and achieving the vision for the Parks and Recreation System.

REGIONAL TRAILS & CONNECTIONS

During the last 30 years, Anoka County has worked closely with the federal, state, and local agencies to ensure that the County plans for and constructs a cohesive and functional trail system that links the regional parks and provides recreational opportunities for all ages and abilities. These trails also provide connections to other community facilities and amenities and serve as alternative transportation routes to those destinations.

The County has previously identified ten regional trail routes that traverse along rivers, creeks, wetlands, residential areas, farm lands and roads throughout the county. More than 90 miles of the proposed 246 miles of regional trail are complete. The County continually works with the surrounding counties and cities to ensure proper alignment for trail connections between agencies.

EXISTING REGIONAL TRAILS

1. Bunker-Chain of Lakes
2. Central Anoka County
3. Chain of Lakes – Otter Lake
4. Coon Creek
5. East Anoka County
6. Mississippi River
7. North Anoka County (proposed)
8. Rice Creek North
9. Rice Creek West
10. Sugar Hills

90 MILES | **246 PROPOSED**

OVER 90 MILES OF TRAIL COMPLETED OF THE PROPOSED 246 MILES

10

REGIONAL TRAILS IN ANOKA COUNTY

LINKS REGIONAL FACILITIES & DESTINATIONS

PROVIDE MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION OPPORTUNITIES

TRAIL TYPES IN ANOKA COUNTY

There are a variety of trail types within the Anoka County Trail system. The majority of trails are eight to ten feet wide paved trails that allow multiple uses, e.g. walking, biking, in-line skating. But the system also contains other trails, such as horse trails, water trails, and winter activity trails such as cross-country ski trails and snowmobile trails.

TRAILS ARE 8-10 FEET WIDE

2 HORSE TRAILS AT BUNKER HILLS & RUM RIVER CENTRAL

3 WATER TRAILS; MISSISSIPPI RIVER, RUM RIVER, & RICE CREEK

CANOE CAMPSITES; RUM RIVER NORTH, RUM RIVER CENTRAL & MISSISSIPPI WEST ISLANDS

HORSE TRAILS

The County has two developed horse trails within the system. One at Bunker Hills Regional Park as part of the Bunker Park Stable operation and one at Rum River Central Regional Park. At Bunker Park Stable, users can ride the trails, take lessons, or relax on a wagon or sleigh ride depending on the time of year. During the community engagement process, the County received a few comments requesting additional horse trails and while this has been explored in the past, the County will reexamine this issue and assess new horse trails where feasible when master plans are updated.

WATER TRAILS

Water trails have been a popular trend the County has provided for. There are three established water trails within the County; the Mississippi River, the Rum River and the Rice Creek. All three provide varying degrees of difficulty and very different experiences. The Mississippi River provides a much more open experience as it traverses the County mainly through residential areas. As users approach the southern end of the county, they will notice a change from residential to industrial. Canoe campsites are located on Foster and Cloquet Island's near Mississippi West Regional Park. The Rum River is a smaller river and offers a slightly more idyllic float. For longer trips, there are canoe campsites available at Rum River North County Park and Rum River Central Regional Park. The Rice Creek water trail is comprised of two very different sections. The first section, between George Watch Lake and Baldwin Lake is better suited to the novice paddler, where it travels through mostly open water of the Rice Creek Chain of Lakes. The remaining section, between Baldwin Lake and Long Lake is narrower and heavily vegetated. The trail ends at Ramsey County's Long Lake Regional Park. There are no canoe campsites along this water trail, however, the trail provides a unique paddling experience for the public.

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WINTER WALKING, CROSS COUNTRY SKIING, SKIJORING, SNOWMOBILING

24 MILES OF PLOWED WINTER WALKING TRAILS

48 KILOMETERS OF CROSS COUNTRY SKI TRAILS

3 PARTNERSHIPS FOR SNOWMOBILE TRAILS

WINTER TRAILS

Winter trails, such as plowed walking trails and cross-country ski trails are located in several different parks throughout the system. There is a total of 24 miles of plowed walking trails within the Anoka County Park System during the winter. Through the community engagement process for this plan, comments were received about plowed walking trail loops and more winter walking trails, hence the County will examine the existing trails and make modifications for loops and expand the system as feasible. There are approximately 48 kilometers of cross country ski trails within the system. Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve at Chomonix Golf Course and Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park have ten km, while Rum River Central Regional Park has approximately eight km. Bunker Hills Regional Park has 20 km and approximately eight km of skijoring trails. In addition, snowshoeing is available at all the parks, although snowshoe rental only occurs at Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve through Wargo Nature Center, Coon Rapids Dam Visitor Center and Bunker Hills Campground Visitor Center.

SNOWMOBILE TRAILS

The County works with several different snowmobile clubs across the County and serves as a fiscal agent for these clubs to receive Grant-in-Aid funds from the State to maintain safe and functional snowmobile trails. While the trails traverse the county, only small portions of the trails fall within the regional park system.

The locations of all these trails can be found in the appendix.

During the public engagement process, the County received a request for motorized off-road trails, but the responsibility for siting and funding those trails lies with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and is not a use eligible for funding in the regional system, according to the Metropolitan Council's Regional Parks Policy Plan.

COOPERATIVE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT & MAINTENANCE

The County would not have the regional trails system it has without the cooperation of the local cities and the County Highway Department. Through close collaboration and cooperation, the County has found creative ways to finance and construct 90 miles of the proposed 246 miles of regional trails. For example, a portion of the East Anoka County Regional Trail was constructed recently in conjunction with the County Highway Department's Lexington Avenue Road Reconstruction project. Federal funds were used for the road project, which required alternative modes of transportation, therefore the regional trail was built with 80% of its cost coming through federal funds. The remaining 20% was split between the City of Blaine and the County Parks Department. When trails are funded in this manner, a Joint Powers Agreement or a Memorandum of Understanding is executed prior to construction of the trail, which outlines operations and maintenance responsibilities for each of the agencies. Cities are generally responsible for the daily maintenance and operations of regional trail in their jurisdictions, while the County is responsible for capital improvements of the trail.

80% FEDERAL FUNDS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT COLLABORATION

20% COUNTY / CITY FUNDS

ENHANCING THE PARK SYSTEM

While the Anoka County Parks and Recreation System consists of approximately 11,500 acres, there are still gaps in the system. One such gap identified previously in this plan is located the northwest corner of the county in the Cities of St. Francis and Nowthen. This area is one of the last few remaining large acreage single owner sites in the County. An addition to the regional park system in this area would serve the northwest corner of the county as well as the surrounding counties of Sherburne and Isanti and thus provide a regional draw. The proposed site would provide up to 3,300 acres of interesting topography, maple basswood forests and plenty of open space. Besides natural resource management, initial concepts for the park include picnicking areas, biking/walking trails, a camping facility, a nature center, dog park, horse trails and arena, mountain bike trails, winter recreation area and cross-country ski trails, archery facility and range, playgrounds, restroom buildings and a disc golf course.

Since regional parks are part of the Metropolitan Regional Park System, a Metropolitan Council approved master plan is required to be eligible for funding. These master plans examine park/trail boundaries, acquisition costs, stewardship, demand forecasts, development concepts, conflicts, public services, operations, public engagement and participation, public awareness, accessibility, and natural resources. Most of the regional parks do have existing master plans and these should be updated every 10-20 years to ensure the needs of the public are being met. As the County updates master plans, these plans will be made available on the County's website for easy access. Until then, the master plans are available to the public upon request.

While the County continues to focus on reconstruction and redevelopment of existing facilities within the regional and county parks over the next decade, it will also concentrate on developing new facilities within the system. For example, Mississippi West Regional Park is relatively a blank slate. The only development that has occurred is a public boat launch and by the end of 2018 a portion of the Mississippi River Trail will be complete through the park. Most of the fallow farm fields have been restored to native prairie grasslands, so any new development will have to take into consideration minimizing impacts to the natural resources. Proposed development includes roads, parking lots and additional trails as well as picnic pavilions and restroom buildings. In addition, a maintenance facility is proposed. Another proposed redevelopment project includes redeveloping Camp Salie at Martin Island Linwood Lakes Regional Park to create a more user-friendly group camp facility with additional amenities.

Another focus for the County will be developing maintenance support facilities throughout the system. In 2016, Anoka County contracted with HCM Architects to conduct a Maintenance Facility Assessment. That assessment illustrated where there were gaps in the system and how additional maintenance support facilities will help increase efficiencies in maintenance and operations. New facilities are proposed for Coon Rapids Dam, Riverfront and Mississippi West Regional Parks. Additional support facilities are proposed for just about every park and existing facilities are to be redeveloped to accommodate current and future needs.

In addition, camping is a relatively inexpensive way for families and individuals to connect and engage with the outdoors and for that reason, the County is considering an expansion to its camping program. Currently there are 142 sites within Bunker Hills and Rice Creek Chain of Lakes campgrounds and eight primitive sites along the Rum and Mississippi River's for overnight camping while canoeing or kayaking the rivers. To be more inclusive, the County is proposing to expand its camping facilities, not only to add more campsites to the system, but to also add alternate camping accommodations, such as yurts and tent platforms, as well as additional camper cabins. These alternate accommodations will provide an opportunity for everyone to participate, whether they are seasoned campers or not. Recent public engagement efforts clearly support the need to expand the Anoka County's camping program.

Based on the community engagement results, the County would like to provide other additional unique recreational destination opportunities that are free to the public. One type is interactive water features which provide a tactile way to engage the senses for learning and enjoyment. Everyone is drawn to water, especially children and it's a relatively clean and appealing play material. Children and adults can learn about cause and effect, water flows and provides them a chance to create their own fun and explore.

Another example of a unique recreation feature is a destination playground. This type of playground is more of a playground complex than a simple playground. It offers unique and accessible play equipment that will appeal to a broad range of users and include equipment for children and toddlers, older children and teenagers, adults and seniors and include elements and features for children and people with visible and non-visible disabilities.

Other features the County is considering are aerial adventure parks, which include climbing apparatuses, zip lines and ropes courses combined to provide an aerial adventure playground. Some features are ground level, but most are elevated to challenge users physically and mentally. There are typically a variety of circuits that vary in difficulty so everyone can enjoy a unique outdoor adventure.

Over the last several years, the County has been developing design standards for park facilities and amenities within the park system to provide a cohesive aesthetic context across the County. Design standards were initiated to create an aesthetically pleasing, safe, functional, efficient, sustainable and cost-effective standard for park facilities. The design standards cover materials, aesthetics, construction and maintenance. Elements with design standards can be as small as a street sign to as large as a new building. Some of these standards include using the same style of picnic shelter with varying sizes depending on demand or the construction standards for park roads and trails.

UNIQUE RECREATION FEATURES

Several unique recreation features have been established in the Anoka County Parks System: Bunker Beach Water Park, Chomonix Golf Course, Wargo Nature Center, Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts, the Bunker Hills Archery Complex, and Bunker Park Stable. Each of the facilities are heavily used and benefit from on-going service enhancements to build customer expectations and use.

BUNKER BEACH WATER PARK

Bunker Beach Water Park is Minnesota's largest outdoor aquatic facility. Attractions include: the first wave pool built in the state, six towering waterslides, 900-foot lazy river, leisure pool with climbing wall, zero-depth entry pool with play structures, creative sand play area, and private cabanas for rent. Bunker Beach gives the residents in the region a low cost positive opportunity to experience a premier water park without the expense of long distance travel.

The popular water park is located in Bunker Hills Regional Park and draws an average annual attendance of 113,000 guests. Bunker Beach was originally constructed in 1988 as a wave pool facility. Since then, numerous features and attractions have been added in three expansion phases, which occurred in 2003, 2006, and the 2010. In February 2008, Springsted, Inc conducted the Bunker Beach Financial Feasibility Analysis which included customer feedback and demographic surveys that guided the planning process to build the 2010 Phase II expansion. Enhancements have included the adventure and plunge pool, four water slides, and support facilities.

Annual assessments of current national trends and technologies are incorporated into the facility planning process. Recently, the Parks and Community Services Committee approved the 10-year capital replacement plan to continue water park enhancements. Upgrades identified in the replacement plan include the rehabilitation of the parking lot, wave pool upgrades, and refurbishment of water slides and play structure. A comprehensive feasibility analysis will be completed by 2020 to address asset preservation and budget numbers to maintain the aging water park infrastructure amenities. The analysis will prioritize projects, develop a capital improvement project timeline, and identify costs and funding sources. The identified projects will provide new and enhanced amenities at Bunker Beach Water Park, while the County reviews recreational trends and demographic changes that will determine the development and enhancement needs to provide a modern and up to date facility as possible.

JOSEPH E. WARGO NATURE CENTER

The Joseph E. Wargo Nature Center is located in the Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve, and hosts an interpretive education center nestled on a beautiful peninsula in George Watch Lake. The nature center currently serves as the hub for environmental education, outdoor recreation programming, cultural historical learning at "Heritage Lab," and off-site programming through the Wildlife Outreach program. In 2017, Anoka County Program Services served over 40,000 people through its organized programs, events, and drop-in visitors.

In 2015, park staff consulted with Hoisington Koegler Group in the development of the Wargo Nature Center Master Plan. The master plan identified the future vision for the nature center and includes goals, strategies, and physical improvements needed to support a phased implementation approach. This approach is intended to be flexible so goals can be implemented as partnerships or funding opportunities arise.

Since the development of the master plan in 2015 a few identified projects have been implemented. One such project partnered Anoka County, Connexus Energy, the YMCA of the Greater Twin Cities, and the University of Minnesota - School of Architecture to create eight new learning stations at Heritage Lab. Another project created a new pedestrian entrance walk to the nature center. As part of this project, repurposed and recycled materials were used and funded through the County's Recycling and Resource Solutions Department.

Future capital improvement projects include the rehabilitation of the entrance road and parking lot, the addition of a bike lane along the entrance road for easier access to the nature center, an extension of the boardwalk into George Watch Lake, the construction of an observation learning platform, and updates to the interpretive and informational displays inside the nature center.

Future programming goals include better serving core program audiences and expanding to new diverse program audiences by expanding outreach programs, enhancing collaborations with local schools, and improving the visitor and program participant feedback program; increasing awareness of Wargo Nature Center and its programs by improving Wargo's digital presence on social media, improved marketing, and expanding cross marketing with like organizations; and improving the drop-in visitor experience.

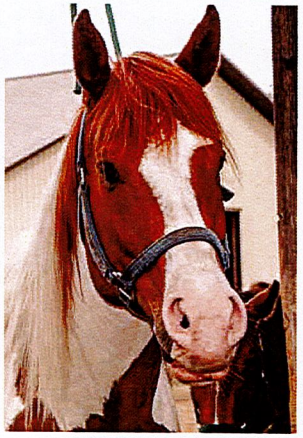
BUNKER PARK STABLE

Bunker Park Stable, located at Bunker Hills Regional Park, offers a variety of unique horse riding experiences that are second to none in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. Since the 1970's, Bunker Park Stable has provided a full-range of riding programs and activities to the public no matter the ability or skill level. The Bunker Park Stable facility is provided through a partnership between the county and the concessionaire.

Bunker Park Stable was redeveloped in 2001 and includes a new horse barn, indoor riding arena, picnic area and other improvements. On-going maintenance and redevelopment will be continually assessed as part of the overall park planning and operations process.

The community response to the redevelopment has been excellent. There has been an increase in demand for educational programming in the areas of group and private lessons. The concessionaire offers a variety of services and unique programs such as Special Olympics programs, therapeutic programs, trail and pony rides, hay and sleigh rides, education programs, scouting badges, facility and rental programs, riding lessons, and camps.

These horse related services and programs add a unique dimension to Bunker Hills Regional Park that truly make the park a destination experience.



BANFILL-LOCKE TAVERN

The historical Banfill-Locke tavern is located in Manomin County Park, at the scenic confluence of the Mississippi River and Rice Creek, in the city of Fridley. The 1847 structure was known as the Banfill "Tavern" and served as a trading post and stop along the Red River Ox Cart Trail. Anoka County purchased the building in 1967 and it became the first structure in Anoka County to be listed on the U.S. National Register of Historical Places, winning designation in 1976.

In 1988, the building became the Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts (BLCA), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. While the BLCA occupies the building and cares for the gardens, the building and surrounding park land remains in the care of Anoka County. For 30 years, this public/private partnership has been a wellspring for the community, providing enrichment, enjoyment, opportunity, and education through the arts.

The BLCA is guided by a 14-member volunteer board of directors who retain an Executive Director to plan and implement all of the art programming and services. The BLCA depends on a wide-variety of volunteers to help with registrations, membership, greeting visitors, operating the gift shop, and maintaining the gardens. Programming includes: art exhibitions, monthly reading series, Family Art Sundays, Artist and Writer-in- Residence, weekly art and writing practice groups, an arts library, gift shop, Art at Rice Creek Festival, and Holiday Gift mART. Annually the BLCA has 8,000 visitors, eleven exhibits, and more than 50 class offerings.

Donations and memberships support a variety of exhibitions, literary programs, free family programs, and special events. Future infrastructure improvements will be identified in a planned Facility Assessment Report. State and regional historical renovations grants will be pursued to make the needed infrastructure enhancements.

CHOMONIX GOLF COURSE

Chomonix Golf Course is an 18 hole, Par 72, 6,221-yard public course located in the Rice Creek Chain of Lake Park Reserve. As one of the most scenic courses in the Twin Cities, Chomonix averages 25,000 golf rounds annually. The golf course was originally a private, nine-hole course and was intended to have single family housing surrounding the course, but in 1987, Anoka County purchased the land from the developer and expanded it to an 18-hole public course.

Since purchasing the course, Anoka County has made many additions and upgrades to improve the safety, playability, and overall aesthetics of the course. Some of the most significant improvements the County has completed includes: reconstructing four fairways, adding seven new ponds, adding nine forward tee boxes, upgrading eight tee boxes, installing a new irrigation system, adding a banquet room and offices to the clubhouse, creating a new driving range building and amenities, adding rain shelters, paving numerous cart paths, rebuilding all sand traps, landscaping several areas throughout the course, and repaving the entrance road and parking lot. The most recent capital improvement included the renovation of the #6 and #17 greens in 2016 to meet USGA standards.

In 2012, department staff updated the Chomonix Golf Course Master Plan. The master plan was designed to provide a framework for course improvements to provide the highest level of service and amenities to golfers. Future improvements include clubhouse enhancements, correcting drainage issues on the course, increasing tee box size to USGA standards, paving additional cart paths, aerators for the ponds, hazardous tree removal and installation of ornamental trees and planting areas to highlight certain areas on the course. The master plan also discusses the overall course objectives and individual tee, fairway and green objectives, clubhouse enhancements that include siding replacement and restroom upgrades. Maintaining capital assets will be the primary focus for the next 10 years.

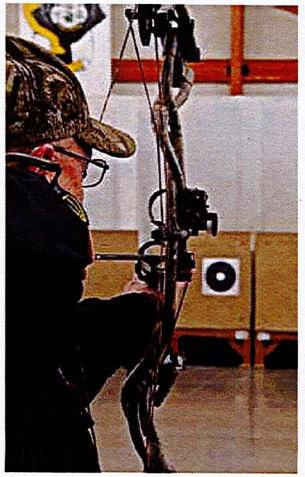
BUNKER HILLS ARCHERY COMPLEX

Anoka County has partnered with Rapids Archery Club for over 30 years. The range as it stands today was opened in 2001. Anoka County and Rapids Archery Club jointly promote the sport of archery through providing state-of-the-art facilities and programs for the public. The partnership shares common interests of providing family oriented experiences that promotes archery as a sport the entire family can enjoy together.

Members of the public can enjoy a variety of archery interests including bowhunting, 3-D, field, and target archery, both Olympic and National Field Archery Association style. Rapids Archery Club hosts many archery tournaments each year and offer a variety of archery instruction classes and programs that cater to all levels of skill and interest.

The facilities include an 8,400 square foot clubhouse with a large 20 yard indoor range, full service kitchen area, restrooms, and a large training room. In addition, the outdoor facilities include five outdoor ranges comprised of three walk-through loops (totaling 56 diverse shooting stations), a large field tip range, and a unique broad-head range. Redevelopment will be continually examined as part of the overall park planning process.

The archery center is heavily used by the public and local schools on a regular basis and over 5,500 people participate in activities offered through Rapids Archery Club each year. The location of the facility also has been well received as it limits any conflicts with other park uses. The County is anticipating completing a master plan for the complex within the next few years. This will outline improvements and redevelopment required to keep the facility in top condition.



BUILDING THE CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

Parks and recreation trends are consistently evolving and changing. Many core principles of land stewardship and conservation remain the same, however, the customer experience continues to shift with changing demographics and societal influences. To provide the best experience to park guests, key areas of focus will be on accessibility and equity, education and interpretation, recreation services, marketing, and awareness and in-park visitor services.

ACCESSIBILITY AND EQUITY

The parks continue to be well attended, however, studies have shown that demographics of park visitors are not truly representative of the overall community. Studies conducted by the Metropolitan Council have shown, demographic groups based on age, ethnicity and disabilities do not use the park system consistently. Barriers to participation have been identified. According to a 2014 study, "Overwhelmingly, participants identified proximity and transportation as the greatest contributors to regional park visitation. Unexpectedly, the lack of awareness was noted as a barrier 2.5 times more frequently than transportation constraints."

Additional barriers that were identified, in order, are:

1. Lack of Awareness
2. Time
3. Fear/Safety Concerns
4. Lack of Transportation Options
5. Language Barrier
6. Weather
7. Cost
8. Map Challenges
9. No Companions
10. Cultural or Religious Insensitivity/ Discrimination

The Anoka County Parks Department will continue to work with community groups and partners to reduce barriers to connecting people with the outdoors. Outreach is being conducted to work with diverse groups and further identify where barriers exist in the park system along with solutions. The Communication and Outreach Specialist position will continue to play a strong role in keeping these issues in the forefront for future planning and implementation of park services.

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EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION

Parks are filled with unique historical and natural features that provide educational and interpretive opportunities. Historically, the Anoka County parks have not focused heavily on in-park interpretive displays. Public feedback surveys have shown an increased desire to expand educational opportunities within the parks. Park staff has begun developing a consistent interpretative program for each of the parks. This program will focus on using traditional signage and educational locations, but also technology-based applications that can identify natural and historic features using GPS or other convenient technology that park users have access to.

Another area to enhance customer experience and education is through partnerships with agencies to promote the benefits of parks and recreation. Health agencies are continuing to identify the importance of recreation and time spent in nature to reduce stress, improve physical health, and combat mental illness. Collaborating with health agencies, such as local hospitals, provides a new audience to enhance quality of life within the county. Another key collaboration is educating on the economic impacts that parks have within the community. Adding information regarding economic benefits throughout the park system and publications will help enhance the user experience but also serve as an advocacy program for the parks and county operations. The benefits can be highlighted and attract visitors using additional partnerships with convention and visitor bureaus and chamber of commerce groups.

PROGRAMMING SERVICES

Programming services are a key reason why people choose to visit a specific park destination. Currently, Wargo Nature Center provides the majority of recreation programs within the county. The ability to offer more programs and to equitably distribute the programs throughout the county will require additional facilities to house staff, equipment, and program resources. As the public continues to request more programs and events, an increase in the number of full-time staff dedicated to this will be necessary. With additional staff able to plan, supervise, train and coordinate programs in various locations throughout the county, more guests will be able to experience the unique amenities that are found within the park system. Additional resources that can be added will also assist in enhancing the quality as well as the quantity of programs throughout the county. Park use trends continue to show guests are looking to try new experiences without owning all the equipment that may be necessary to introduce them. Program services that can offer these opportunities will need to be explored as well as identifying ways to fund the personnel and equipment needed.

While recreation and educational programs are highly desired, the request for trails and playgrounds are the highest rated amenities for enhancing customer experiences. Access to these two amenities will be needed as the park system continues to evolve. Various types of trail opportunities in the appropriate parks will need to be assessed to offer the widest variety of services. Requests for destination playgrounds have ranked highly in visitor surveys. These playgrounds are typically larger with unique play elements and accessible surfacing. As playgrounds are needing to be replaced it will be important to evaluate if these destination playgrounds would better serve guests for that specific location.

IN-PARK VISITOR SERVICES

The Park Services Unit has a specific focus to provide an enjoyable experience for all guests through education and enforcement. Park service staff are available throughout the park system to answer questions from park users about recreation facilities, programs, resources, and park ordinances. As visitation numbers increase, additional park service staff, as well as maintenance personnel, will be necessary to provide the service level customers are requesting. Staffing levels by location and hours of operation will be continually evaluated to ensure a clean and safe visit. Culturally diverse focus groups listed fear and safety as a concern for not visiting the regional park system. To further increase the visitation of culturally diverse groups, in-park services will focus on access to staff, visual presence, and continuing to provide a safe environment.

Perceived Barriers to Regional Park Use Among Select Communities of Color - 2014

African American Focus Groups	African Immigrant Focus Groups	Asian Immigrant/ Asian American Focus Groups	Hispanic/ Latino/ Latina Focus Groups	Diverse Composition Focus Groups
• Violent crime: get jumped, shot • Run over • Accidents • Behavior of Others	• Violent crime: rape, killing, stabbing • Kids get lost • Drowning • Being alone • Too big=lost	• Snakes • Bees • Water-viruses • Too big= get lost • Hunters • Being Alone • Behavior of others (drinking)	• Water-viruses • Getting lost • Crime • Animals • People • Getting hurt	• Violent crime: kidnapping • Too big= get lost • Kids unsafe • Strangers • Crazy people • Behavior of others (drinking, loitering) • Animals

Metropolitan Council, March 2014

MARKETING AND AWARENESS

Even with the high use numbers for the park system, the number one barrier identified for visiting a regional park was lack of awareness of the regional parks and trails. Marketing and engagement efforts will need to play a large role in communicating the experience that is available within the park system. Ideally, guests will be able to have immersive experiences using technology and virtual tours to learn about the various amenities and park uses available prior to their visit. Expanding marketing efforts through all forms of digital and print media, as well as, interpersonal interaction will help to increase awareness of the park system. Trends in communicating with guests on a frequent and consistent basis will be constantly evaluated and staff will ensure that the county remains committed to sharing the benefits of visiting the parks, trails, and recreational amenities.

SUSTAINING THE PARKS SYSTEM

An integrated approach to sustaining the Anoka County Parks and Recreation System while providing for the park and trail needs of the county and surrounding region is essential to allow Anoka County's park legacy to thrive and benefit future generations. This achievement is a product of planning and using available resources to provide quality and sustainable facilities and services that support and continually improve the park system. The guiding principles as identified in Chapter Two of this plan are the basis for decisions and actions that sustain the parks system.

EFFECTIVE USE OF RESOURCES

Anoka County is currently enhancing its asset management practices to promote effective use of financial and physical resources and to develop a proactive approach to managing its infrastructure assets. As part of this effort, the Parks and Recreation Department, along with the County's Fleet Management, Facilities Management and Construction departments, and Risk Management is developing a system-wide asset management program that includes the following primary systems:

- Buildings (includes picnic shelters, gate houses, shade shelters)
- Bituminous Surfaces (includes roads, parking lots, and trails)
- Fleet and Equipment
- Park Amenities
- Special Features (Bunker Beach and Chomonix Gold Course)
- Storm Water Treatment Systems
- Wells and Septic Systems
- Utilities and Irrigation
- Bridges and Culverts
- Urban Forestry and Horticulture

The goal of the County's Asset Management Program is to shift from reactive to proactive planning and management of its infrastructure assets. The strategic priorities include the following:

- Gain a better understanding of the current state of the infrastructure and its future needs
- Proactively identify the asset replacement and rehabilitation needs and plan the budget and resources accordingly
- Understand the probability and consequence of failure of each asset so that the County can manage high risk assets before failure and to minimize the County's risk profile
- Minimize the life cycle cost by incorporating the latest technological advances in infrastructure to develop efficient and effective preservation and restoration strategies
- Develop a consistent and defendable methodology for prioritizing work and budget expenditure
- Focus on high benefit-to-cost ratio to ensure the budget is spent most effectively
- Be transparent by involving the County Board and the Public in the development of the asset management program and the associated decisions

The asset management program methodology includes working closely with other County departments to accomplish the following:

- Inventory and Assess Condition of Individual Assets
- Estimate Replacement Cost of Each Asset
- Define Preservation and Restoration Costs and Schedules
- Determine the Desired Service Levels
- Understand the Financial and Other Resources Required to Sustain the Delivery of Services
- Optimize and Prioritize the Needs Based on Risk

SYSTEM-WIDE MANAGEMENT STANDARDS:

The establishment of qualitative and quantitative maintenance standards is necessary to clearly and accurately describe how an area, resource or facility should function, appear, or be sustained after a maintenance task, or series of tasks has been performed. The standards reflect an exceptional level of maintenance for various tasks that are carried out daily, weekly, monthly, and annually. The maintenance standards established for the Anoka County Parks and Recreation System are based upon several interrelated factors and variables that include the following:

- Public health, safety and security
- Type and function of facility
- Structural and mechanical integrity
- Visibility to public and aesthetic considerations
- Ecological considerations
- Level of use by the public
- Park visitor perceptions
- Available maintenance resources

The maintenance standards are also aligned with the availability of financial, human, and capital resources, as allocated through the budgeting process, and as a matter of public policy formulation of the County Board.

$1.3 Million Invested in Large Equipment

Centralized Fleet Management System

Staffing to Meet Demands and Service Levels

EFFICIENT EQUIPMENT AND SHARED RESOURCES:

Since 2009, Anoka County has invested approximately $1.3 million into a well-needed large equipment replacement program to upgrade and replace an aging fleet. The last remaining piece that needs to be replaced is the Piston Bully ski trail groomer. Over the next ten-years, a large equipment replacement schedule will again need to be implemented, starting with the equipment that approaches the 10-year replacement threshold. It is anticipated that this will be financed through the County Capital Improvement Program request starting in 2019.

Part of asset management within the County includes a centralized, county-wide, Fleet Management Program. The Fleet Management Program is being led by the Anoka County Highway Department and is intended to efficiently inspect, maintain and recommend replacement schedules for all vehicles, capital equipment, and small engines. This program will cover all on-going preventative maintenance checks and services on all pieces of equipment in the Parks and Recreation Department and it will also directly correlate with replacement schedules that will inform the capital improvement program budget process.

Lastly, maintenance staffing resources are currently being stretched to the limit to meet the public demand and delivery of quality services. Future growth will continue to increase the demand for personnel and equipment to sustain the quality of services that are currently provided. Therefore, it is necessary to continue to explore and develop innovative strategies, through the county budget process, to facilitate successful service delivery into the future by gradually considering increases to full time equivalent and seasonal staffing levels.

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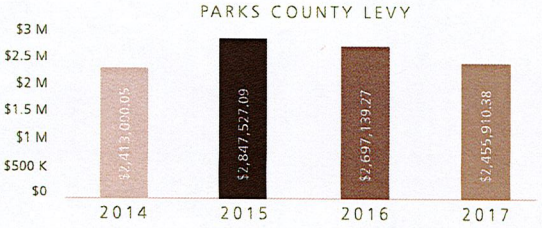
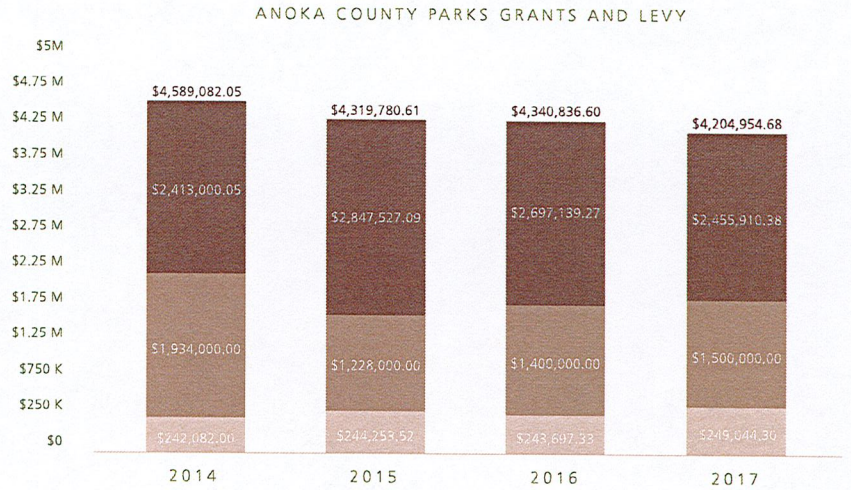
PARK SYSTEM INVESTMENT AND FUNDING

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

As the parks and recreation system continues to evolve and expand to meet the outdoor recreational needs of a steadily growing population, a strategic park operations funding plan is essential to effectively sustain the delivery of high quality services and to maintain and strengthen the current and future investment in infrastructure. In the last ten years, more than $25 million has been invested into the park system and a projected $35 million will occur over the next 15 years. In addition, over the past decade, there has been a steady increase in annual park visitation with over one million new visitors. This trend is anticipated to continue. Currently, the operational resources are stretched to their limit and need to be incrementally increased to effectively meet essential public service demands while continually improving the future of the parks and recreation system.

$0.58 PER PARK VISITATION IN 2017





Special attention must be given to the Regional Park Operations and Maintenance Grant Program that the State Legislature established in 1985 with the intent of funding 40% of the regional parks operation and maintenance costs. Unfortunately, these grants have never exceeded 10% of the regional park agency budgets. Lobbying efforts must be actively pursued by Anoka County and the other implementing agencies to increase this operations and maintenance funding for the regional park system to keep pace with escalating use and demand.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE RESOURCES

The key funding sources for the on-going operations and maintenance of the parks system are provided for by various state, regional and county resources. The combination of these resources are needed for ongoing asset preservation, safe and effective park operations, and quality delivery of facilities and services. As the county looks forward to strengthening its ability to deliver operations and maintenance support services over the next decade, pursuit of the following funding sources will be critical to achieve success:

State Level
- Regional Park Operations and Maintenance Grants (additional lobbying efforts needed to increase funding levels by up to 30%
- Rehabilitation Grants (State Lottery-in-lieu-of Fund)

County Level
- County levy (need incremental increases to keep pace with public demand)
- Use fees and charges
- Leases (U of MN, MRPA)
- Sales of surplus and renewable resources (fuel wood, timber, solar, wind, biomass, geothermal)

Other Resources
- Partnerships (Connexus Energy, Rapids Archery Club, Bunker Park Stables, YMCA, University of Minnesota, Master Gardeners, Minnesota Recreation and Park Association, Banfill Locke Center for the Arts, Coon Rapids Art Commission)
- Volunteers & Donations
- Energy conservation credits

CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN

Over the next decade, a strategic and realistic capital investment approach is needed to effectively maintain and improve the quality and function of the current park and trail system infrastructure, to accommodate new development and acquisition priorities, to protect and restore natural resources, and to strengthen the Department's overall delivery of leisure services. The following Capital Investment Plan components shall serve as the foundation for achieving this approach:

Ten Year Project Forecast:
The Ten-Year Capital Improvements Program is a prioritized list of capital projects that include, but are not limited to, new development, redevelopment, and natural resources restoration projects that are projected to be financed through various funding sources that are dependent upon legislative variables and county policy. This ten-year plan is carefully reviewed and adjusted annually to align with Anoka County's 5-Year Capital Improvements Program and Anoka County's legislative platform. The total projected capital investment needs under this ten-year plan are projected to be approximately $26,100,000.

As part of the Ten-Year Capital Improvements Program, special financing attention must be given to the county parks such as Kordiak, Rum River South, Rum River North, Sandhill Crane Natural Area, and Coon Lake County Park. County Parks do not qualify for Regional Park capital investments or operations and maintenance funding sources. Funding proposals for infrastructure development and redevelopment must be pursued through Anoka County's Five-Year Capital Improvement Program process.

FUNDING SOURCES

Capital Investment Resources
Capital investment funding sources have come through a variety of agencies and programs including Federal, State, Regional, County, and local levels. These funds have been, and continue to be used for land acquisition, park development, facility rehabilitation, programs, and natural resources restoration. As the county looks forward to capital investment in the park system over the next ten years, the following funding sources shall be aggressively pursued:

Federal Level
- National Park Service Grants – (Mississippi National River and Recreation Area)
- Federal Transportation Fund Grants – (Metropolitan Council)
- Federal Recreation Trail Grants – (Minnesota Department of Natural Resources)
- Land and Water Conservation Fund Grants – (Minnesota Department of Natural Resources)

State Level
- Direct appropriation from State Legislature (State Bonding)
- Legislative-Citizens Commission on Minnesota Resources Grants
- Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council Grants
- Clean Water Fund
- Arts and Culture Fund
- Parks and Trails Legacy Fund
- Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Grants

Metropolitan Council
- Regional Parks Capital Improvements Program (State and Metro Council Bonds)
- Regional Park Operations and Maintenance Grants (State General Fund)
- Regional Park and Trail Legacy Program (Legacy Fund)
- Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund Grants (Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund)

Anoka County
- County 5-Year Capital Improvement Program
- County Levy
- User fees and charges
- County Highway Department (expansion of regional trail system)
- Recycling and Resources Solutions Grants
- Community Health Grants (SHIP)

Local Sources
- Cities (typically matching funds for regional trail development)
- Anoka Conservation District
- Watershed Districts and Watershed Management Organizations

APPENDIX

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Coon Rapids Dam Visitor Center	763-324-3320
Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts	763-574-1850
Chomonix Golf Course	763-324-3434
Bunker Park Stables	763-757-9445
Park Services	612-719-4875
Bunker Beach Water Park	763-324-3310

PARKS DIRECTOR
Jeff Perry

ANOKA COUNTY PARKS MISSION STATEMENT

To positively impact the quality of life in Anoka County by providing parks, outdoor recreation, and leisure services for the public. Our mission encompasses protection of the natural environment, improving the health of citizens and supporting a strong local economy.

ANOKA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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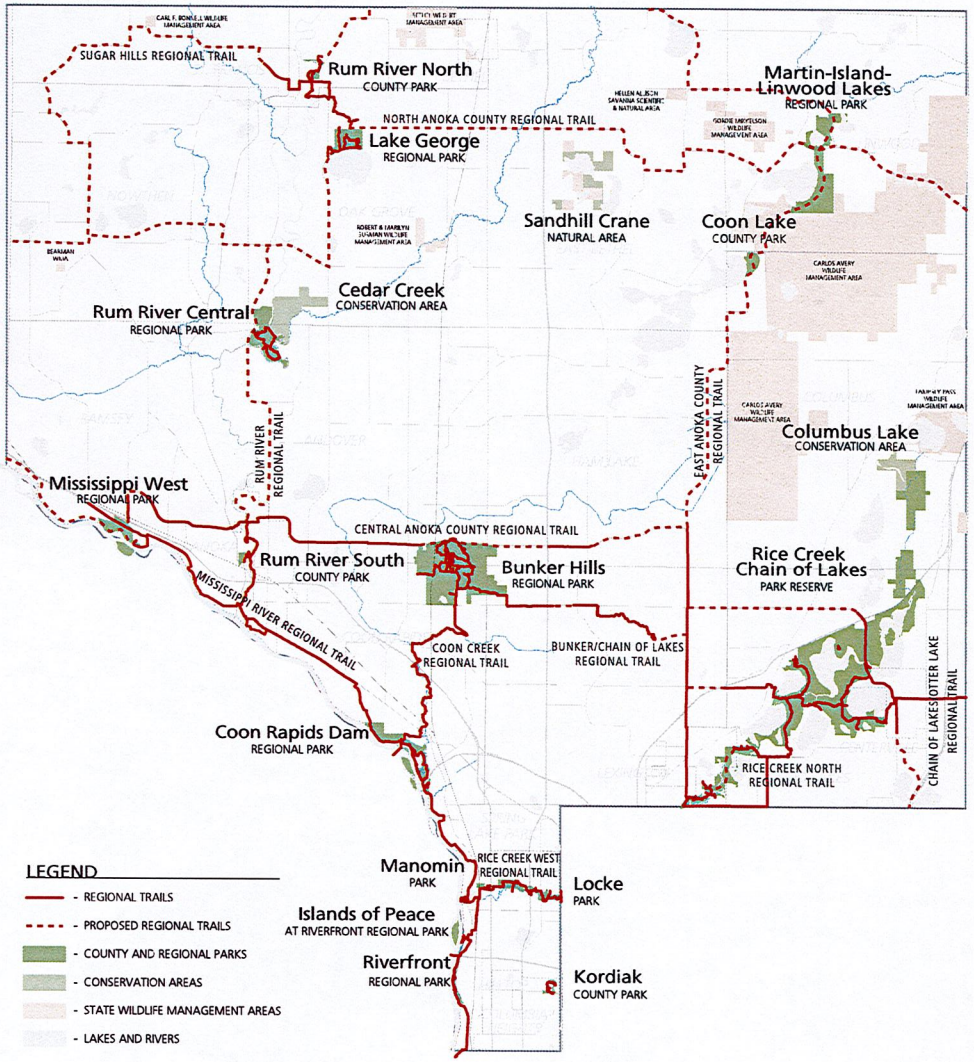
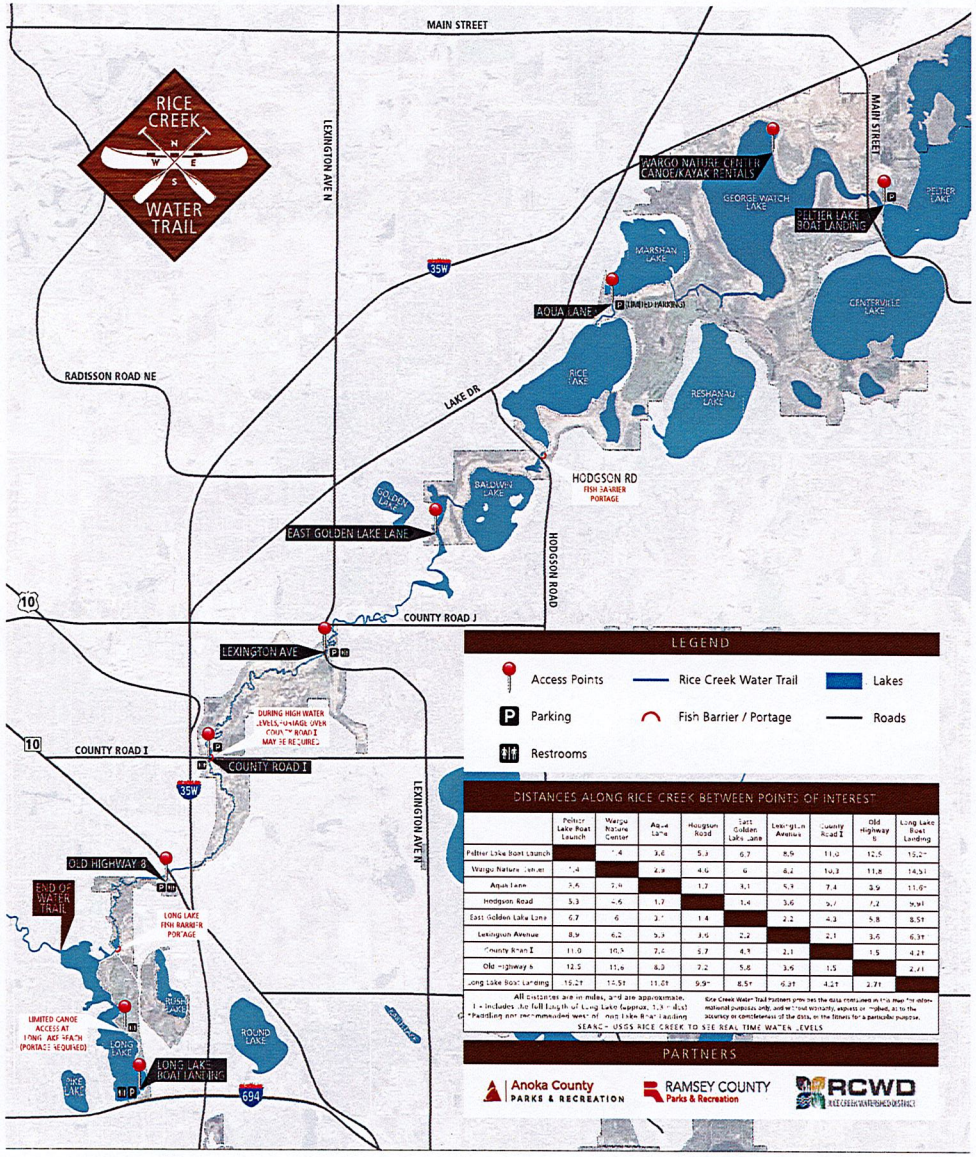
APPENDIX: ANOKA COUNTY PARKS, TRAILS, AND STATE LANDS MAP



APPENDIX: RICE CREEK WATER TRAIL MAP

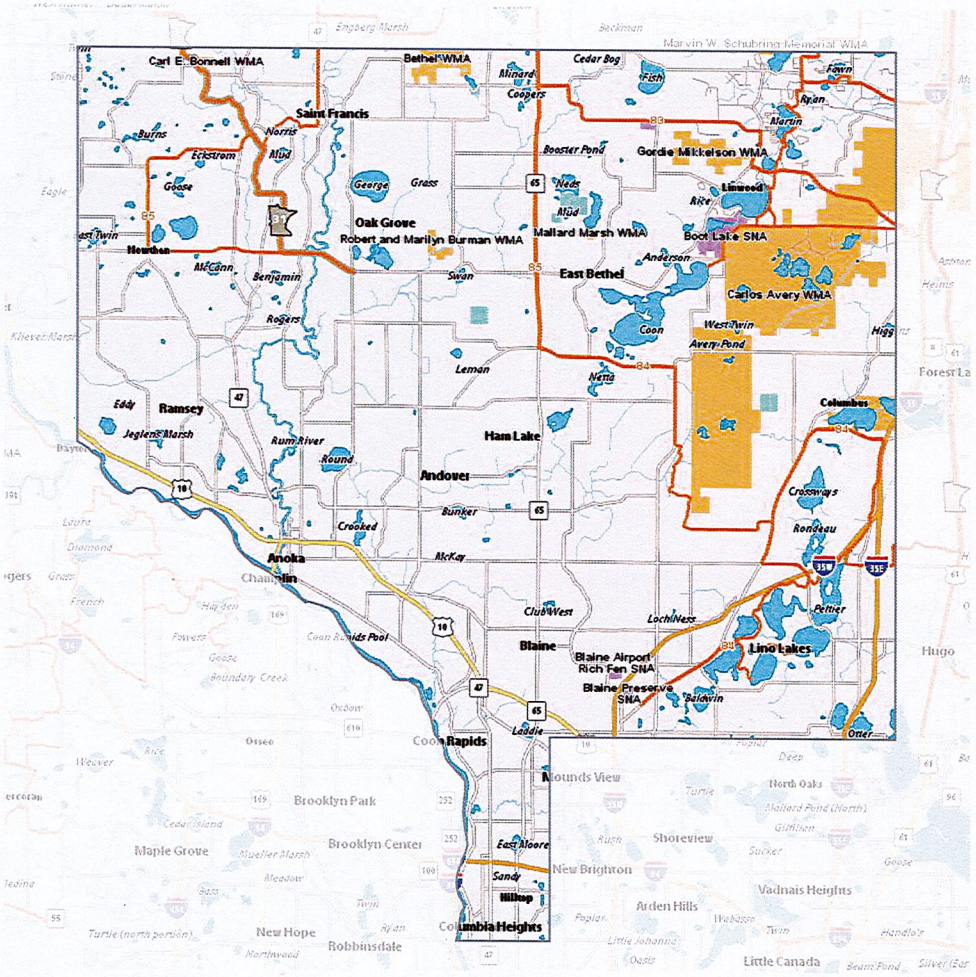


	Peltier Lake Boat Launch	Wargo Nature Center	Aqua Lane	Hodgson Road	East Golden Lake Lane	Lexington Avenue	County Road I	Old Highway 8	Long Lake Boat Landing
Peltier Lake Boat Launch		1.4	3.6	5.3	6.7	8.9	11.0	12.5	15.2+
Wargo Nature Center	1.4		2.2	4.0	5	6.2	10.3	11.8	14.5+
Aqua Lane	3.6	2.2		1.7	3.1	5.3	7.4	9.9	13.6+
Hodgson Road	5.3	4.0	1.7		1.4	3.6	5.7	7.2	9.9+
East Golden Lake Lane	6.7	5	3.1	1.4		2.2	4.3	5.8	8.5+
Lexington Avenue	8.9	6.2	5.3	3.6	2.2		2.1	3.6	6.3+
County Road I	11.0	10.3	7.4	5.7	4.3	2.1		1.5	4.2+
Old Highway 8	12.5	11.8	9.9	7.2	5.8	3.6	1.5		2.7+
Long Lake Boat Landing	15.2+	14.5+	13.6+	9.9+	8.5+	6.3+	4.2+	2.7+	

All distances are in miles, and are approximate.
1 = Includes the full length of Long Lake (approx. 1.3 miles)
*Paddling not recommended west of East Lake Street landing

Rice Creek Water Trail Partners grant the data contained in this map for informational purposes only, and without warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the data, or the fitness for a particular purpose.

APPENDIX: DNR SNOWMOBILE TRAILS WITHIN ANOKA COUNTY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Boot Lake SNA
East Bethel
Carlos Avery WMA
Ramsey
Ham Lake
Andover
Anoka
Blaine
Blaine Airport Rich Fen SNA
Blaine Preserve SNA
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Columbus
Coon Rapids
Mounds View
Brooklyn Park
Brooklyn Center
Maple Grove
New Brighton
Shoreview
Vadnais Heights
Arden Hills
Columbia Heights
New Hope
Robbinsdale
Little Canada
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Crossways
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Forest La
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Beckman
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Norris
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George
Grass
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Cedar Bog
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Hodgson
Hayden
Fowers
Coon Rapids Pool
Boundary Creek
Oxbow
Weaver
Rice
Cedar Island
Mueller Marsh
Meadow
Bass
Northwood
Turtle (north portion)
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Handale
Oseo
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Diamond
Louise
Grass
Dayton
Champlin
Ham Lake
Eagle
Kleven Marsh
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Athens
Forest La
Higgins
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Columbus
Lino Lakes
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Cedar Bog
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Fawn
Ryan
Martin
Linwood
Rice
Neds
Anderson
Swan
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West Twin
Avery Pond
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Nette
Benjamin
McCann
Rogers
Eddy
Jeglum Marsh
Rum River
Round
Bunker
Crooked
McKay
Club West
Lochness
Laddie
Sandy
Hilltop
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Peltier
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Turtle
Rush
Sucker
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Hayden
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Coon Rapids Pool
Boundary Creek
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Weaver
Rice
Cedar Island
Mueller Marsh
Meadow
Bass
Northwood
Turtle (north portion)
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Handale
Oseo
French
Diamond
Louise
Grass
Dayton
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Eagle
Kleven Marsh
Heims
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Brooklyn Center
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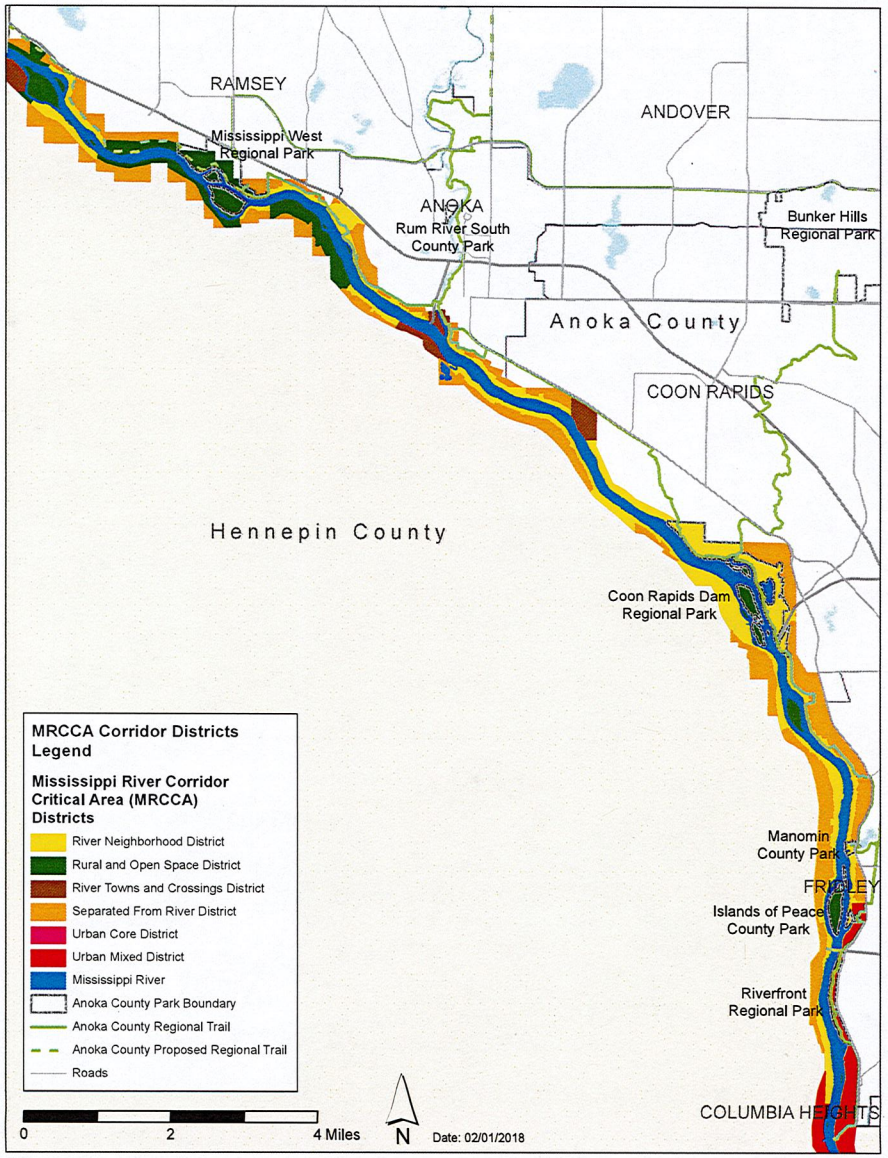
APPENDIX: MRCCA CORRIDOR WITH DISTRICTS



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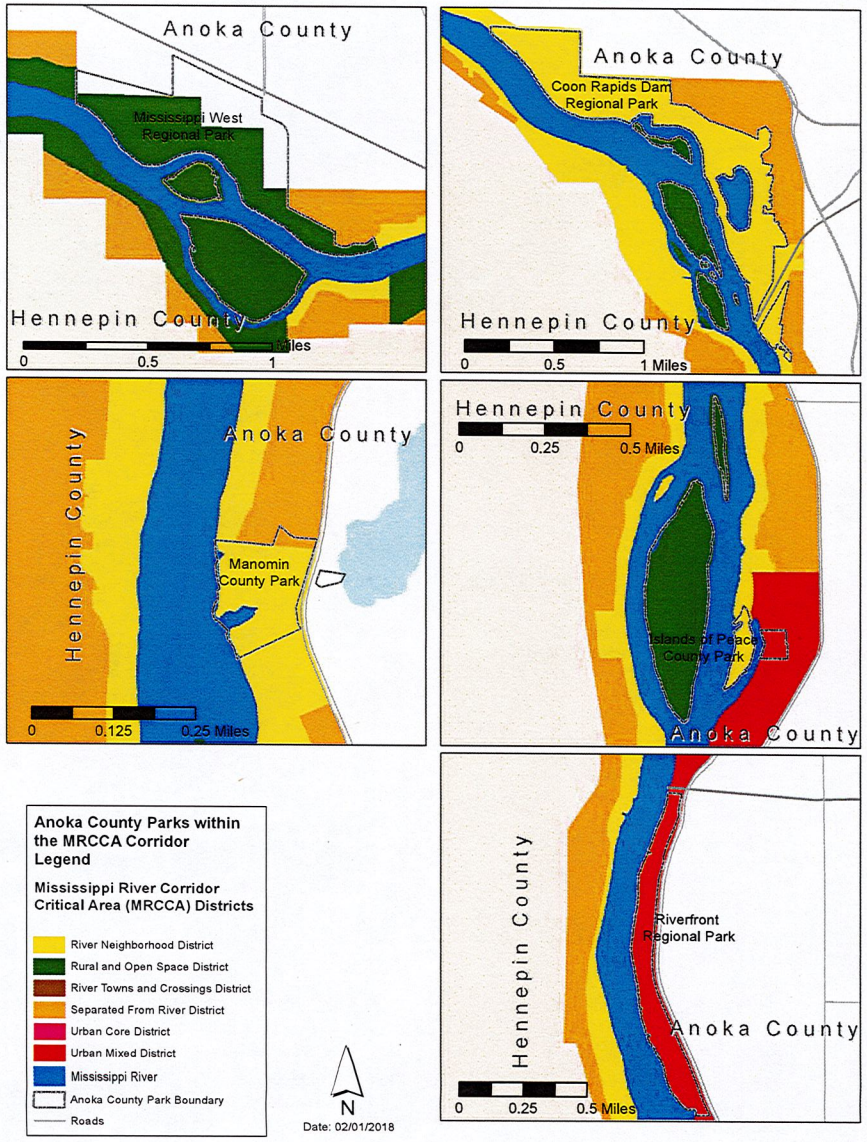

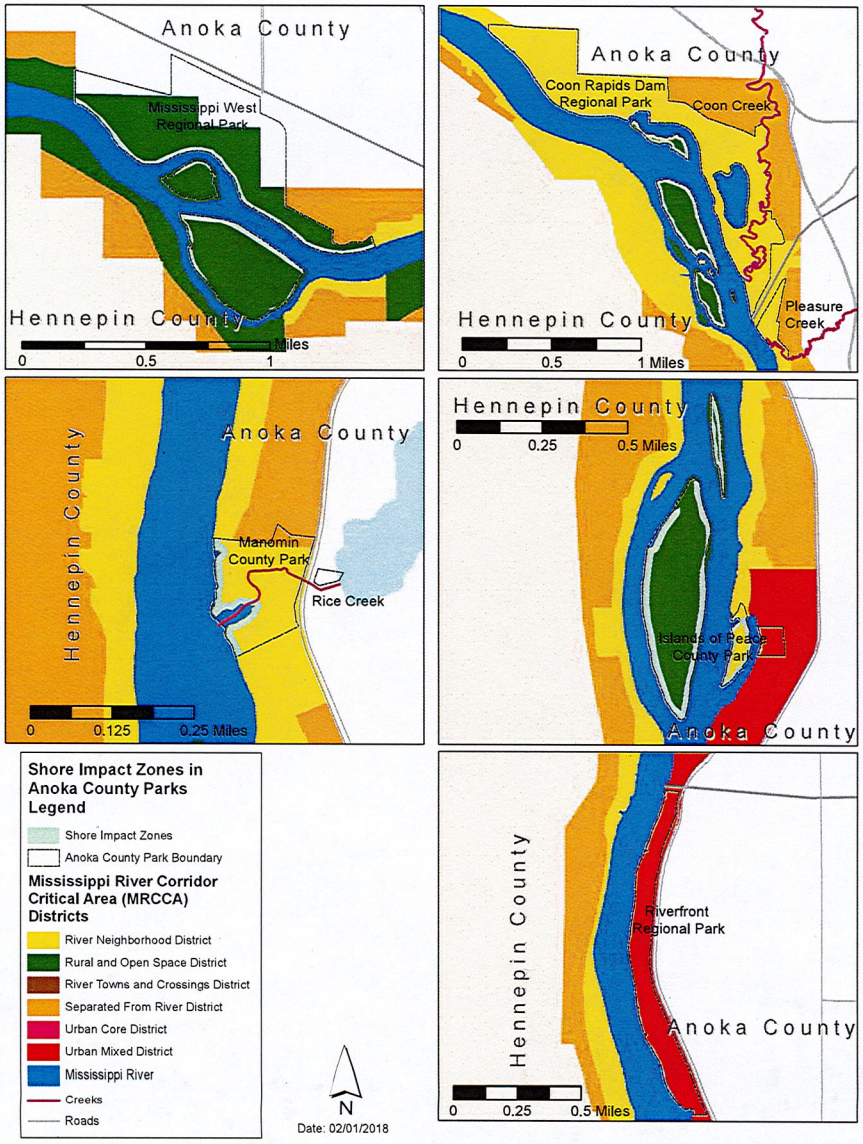
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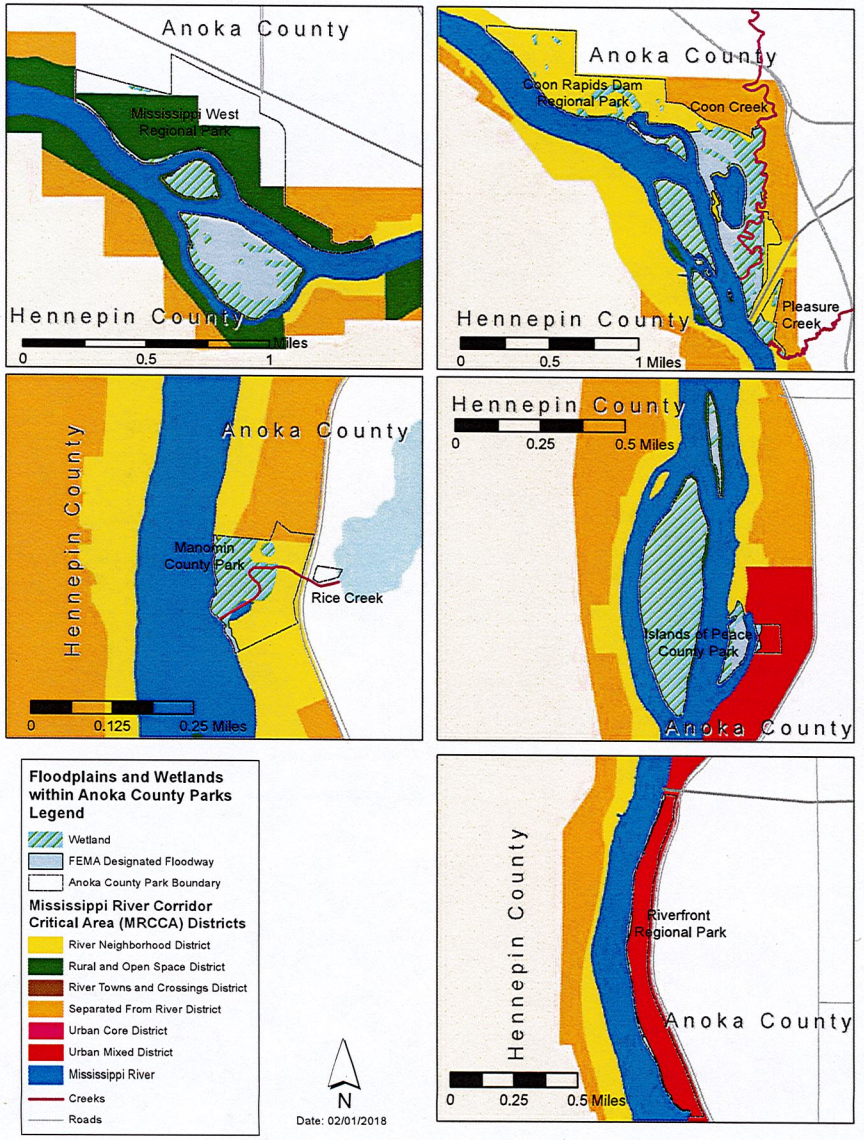
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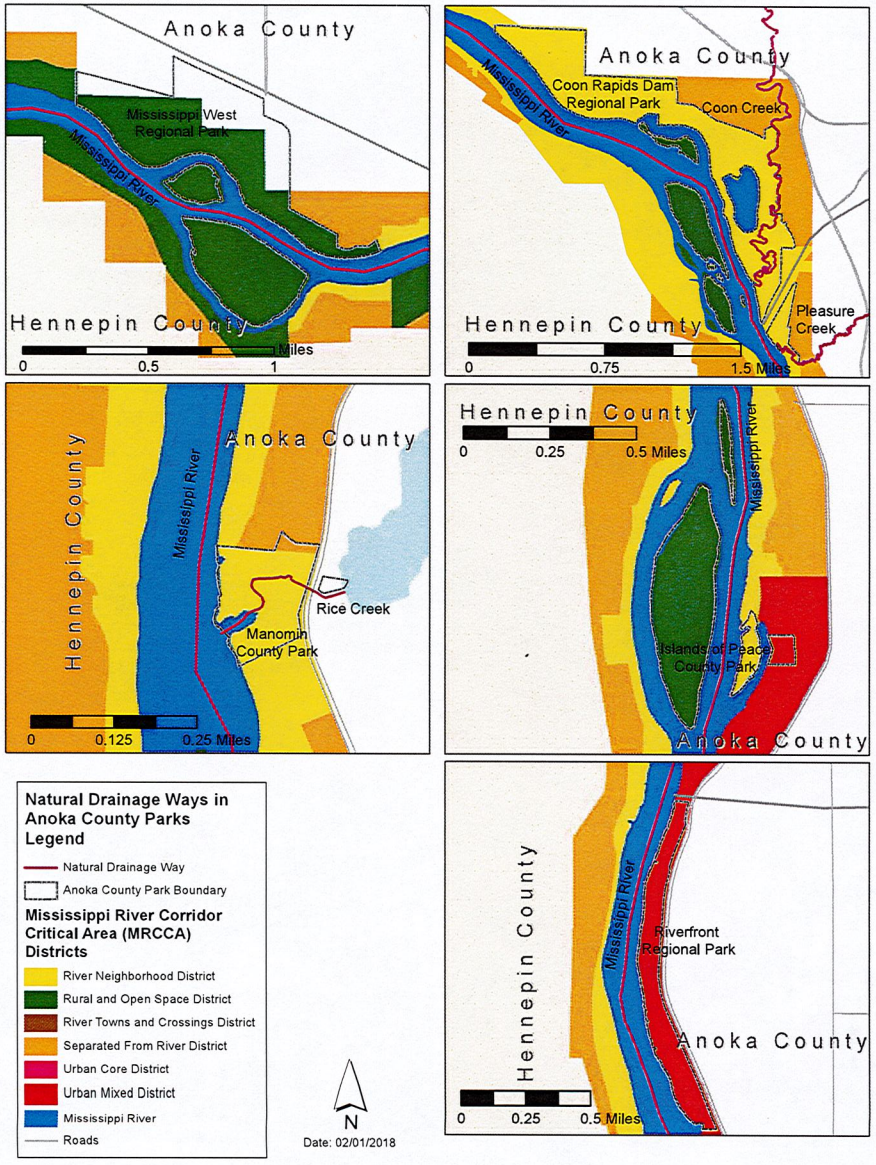

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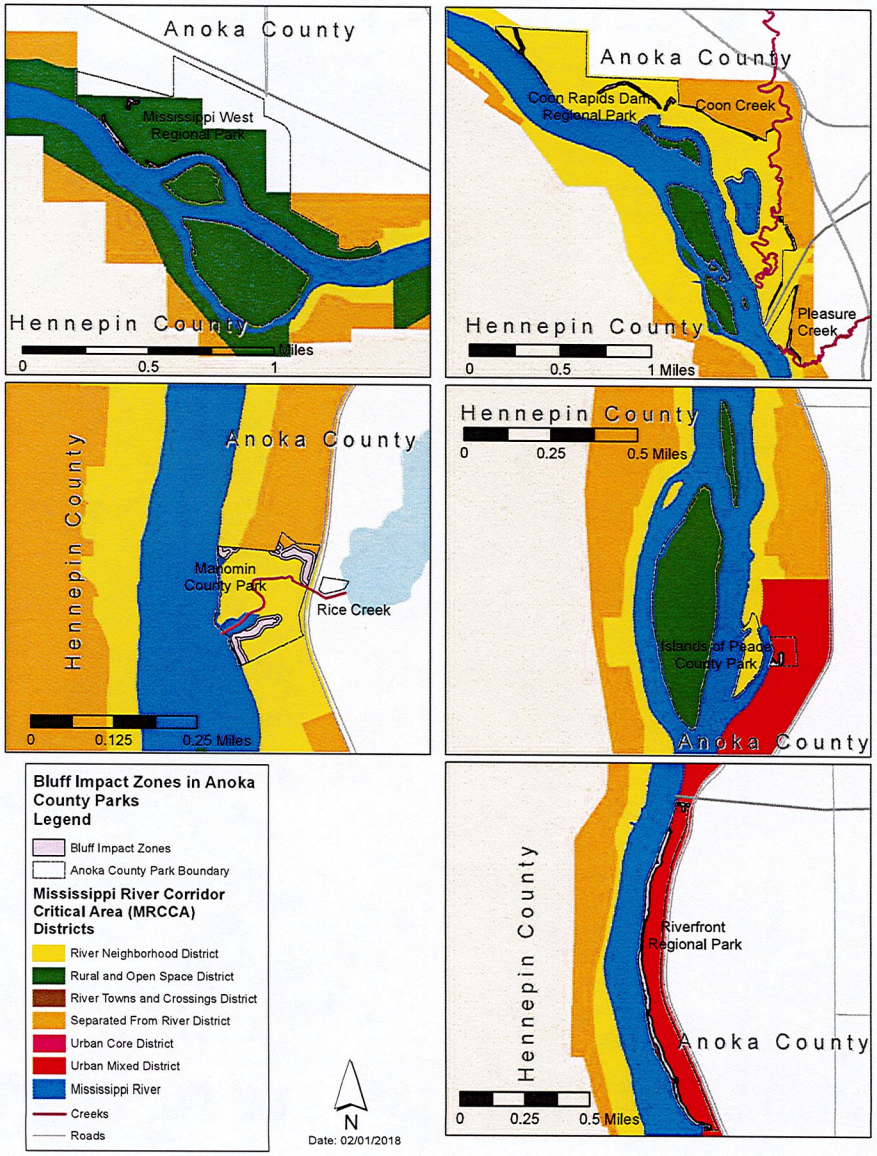

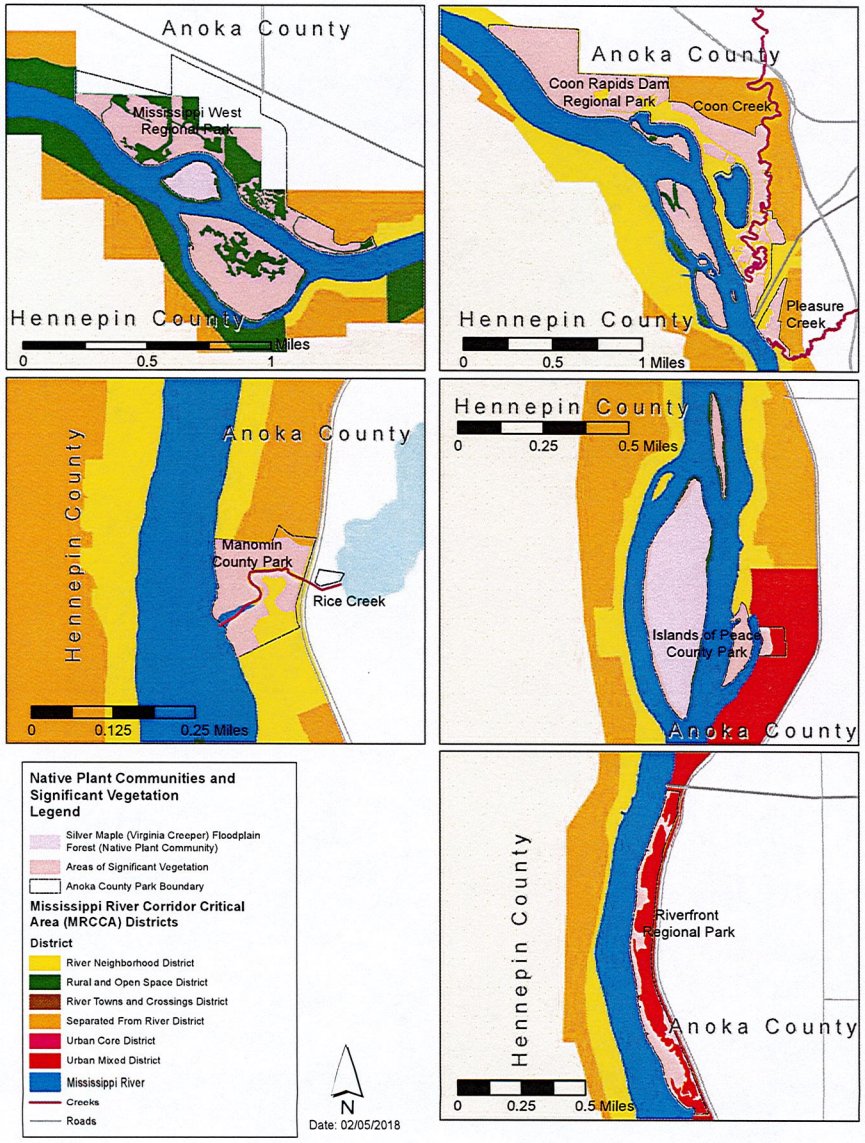
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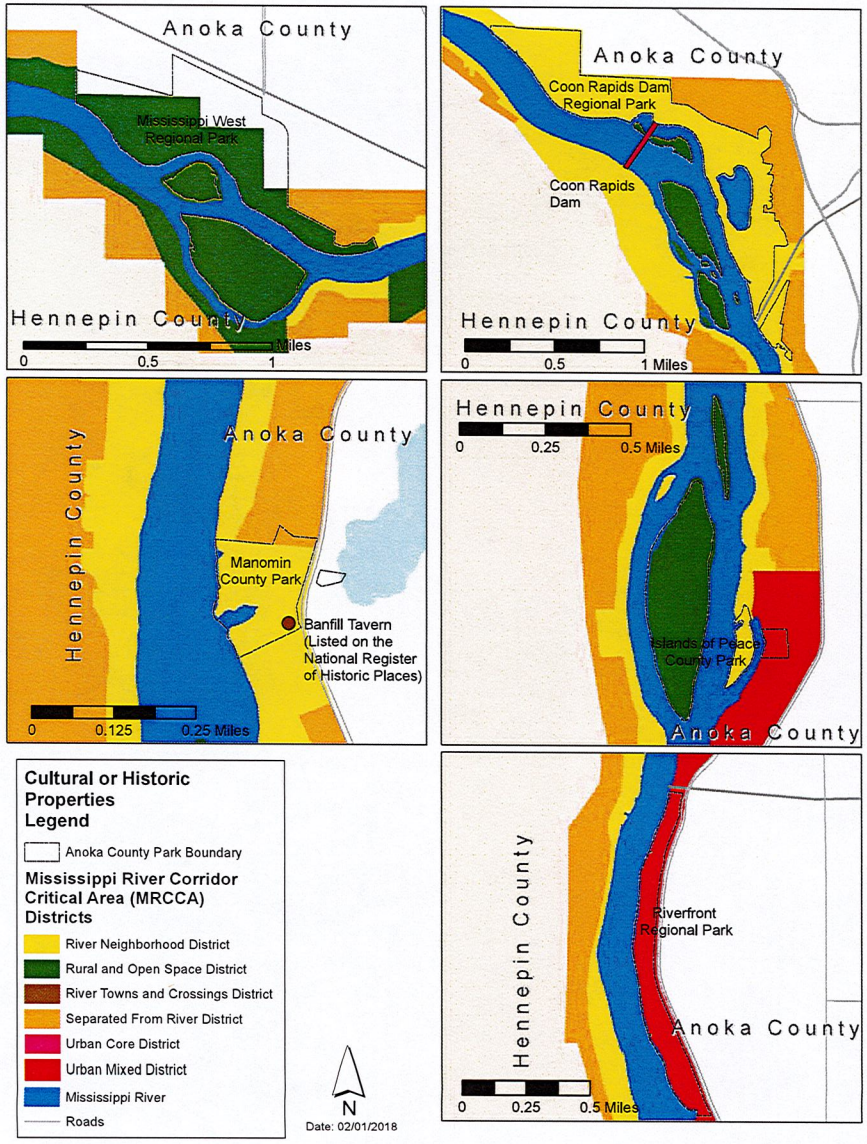
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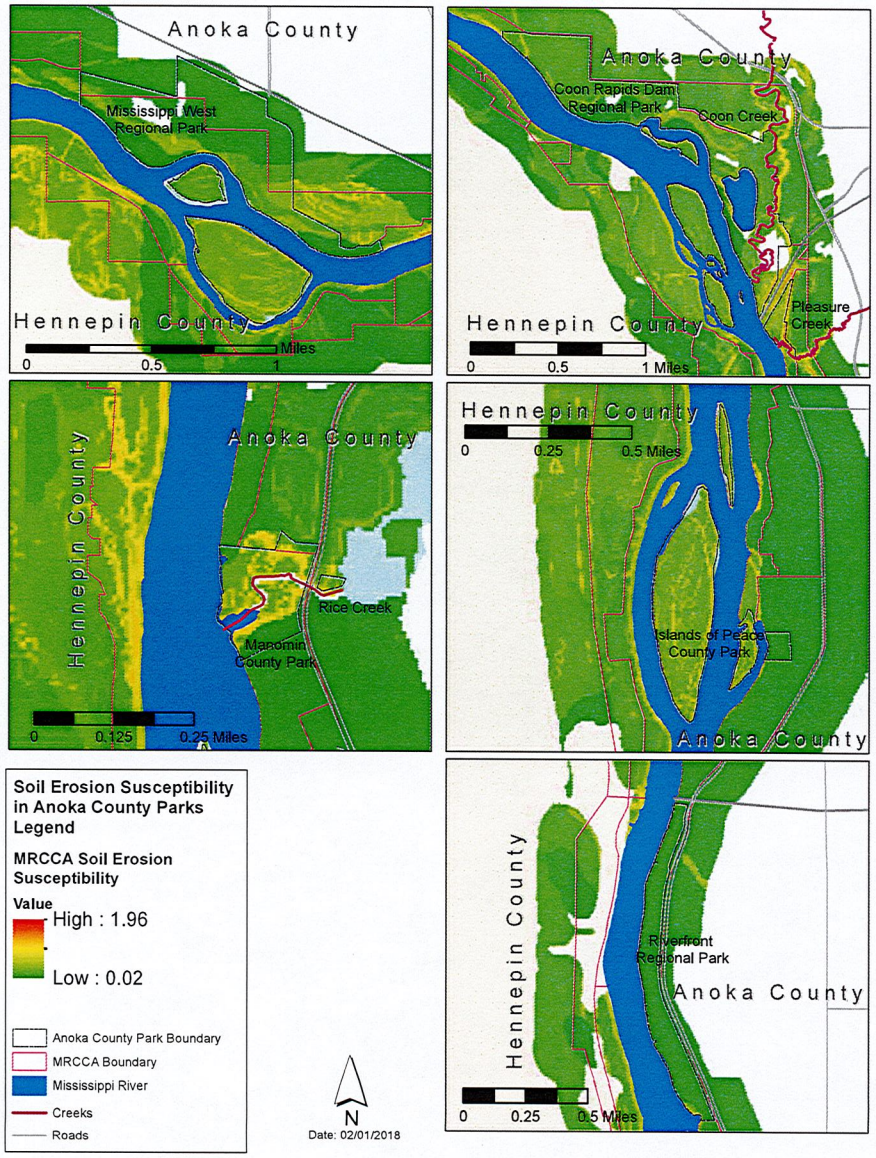

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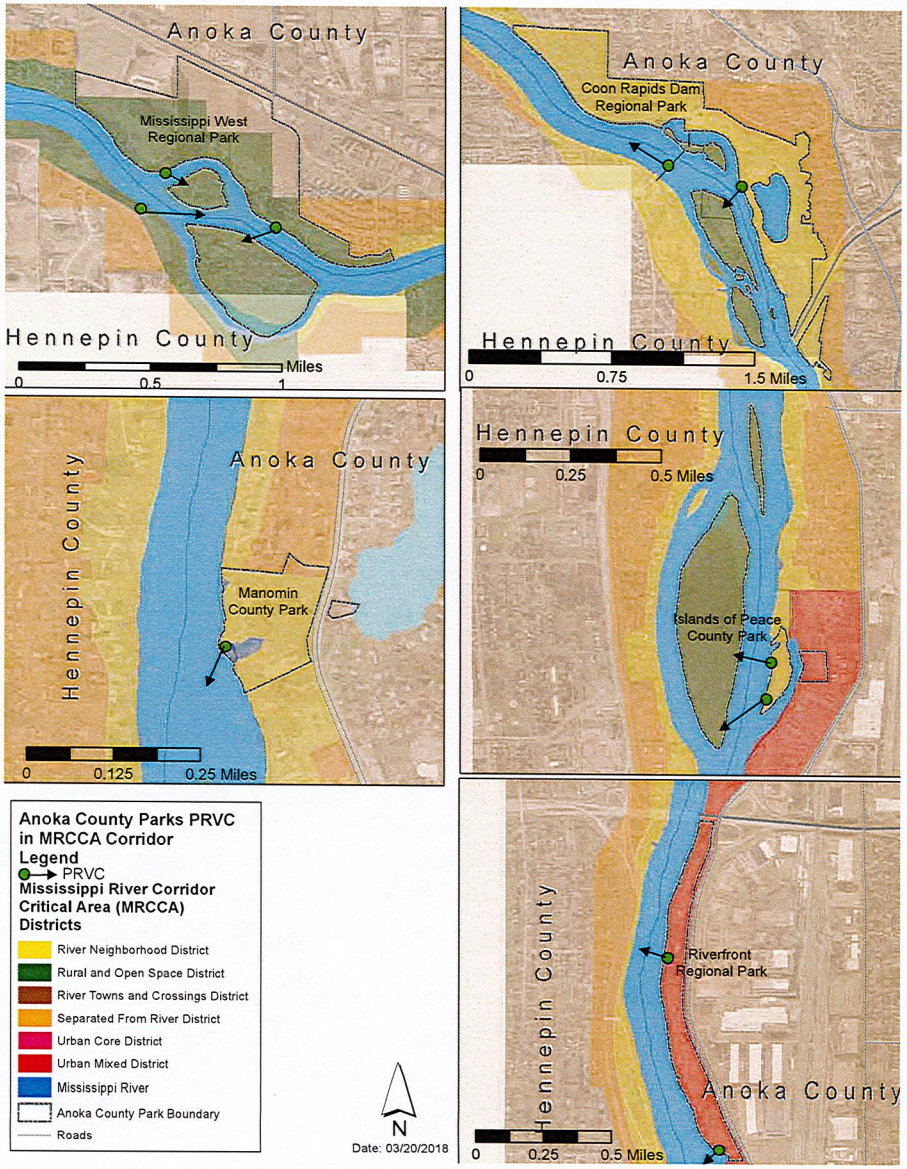

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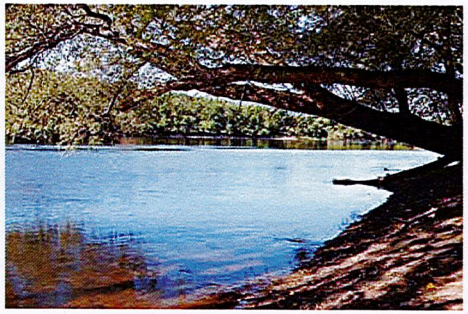
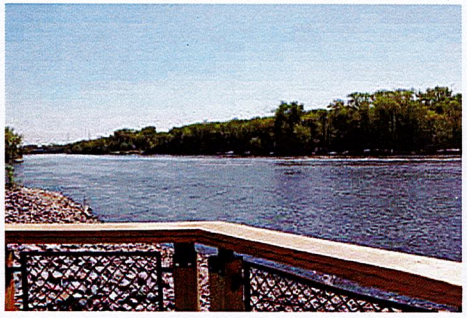
View looking south from the observation point just south of the boat launch

View from across the river



View looking north from south observation point

MRCCA CORRIDOR VIEW FROM COON RAPIDS DAM REGIONAL PARK



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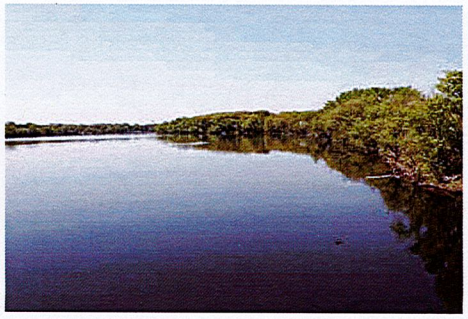


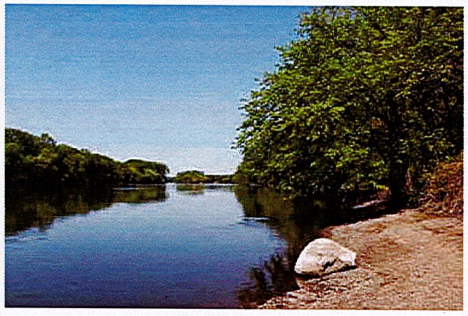
View from the dam walkway looking north

APPENDIX: MRCCA CORRIDOR VIEW FROM MANOMIN PARK

View from the "island" bluff looking south at the Rice Creek and Mississippi River confluence

MRCCA CORRIDOR VIEW FROM ISLANDS OF PEACE COUNTY PARK

View from the informal boat launch

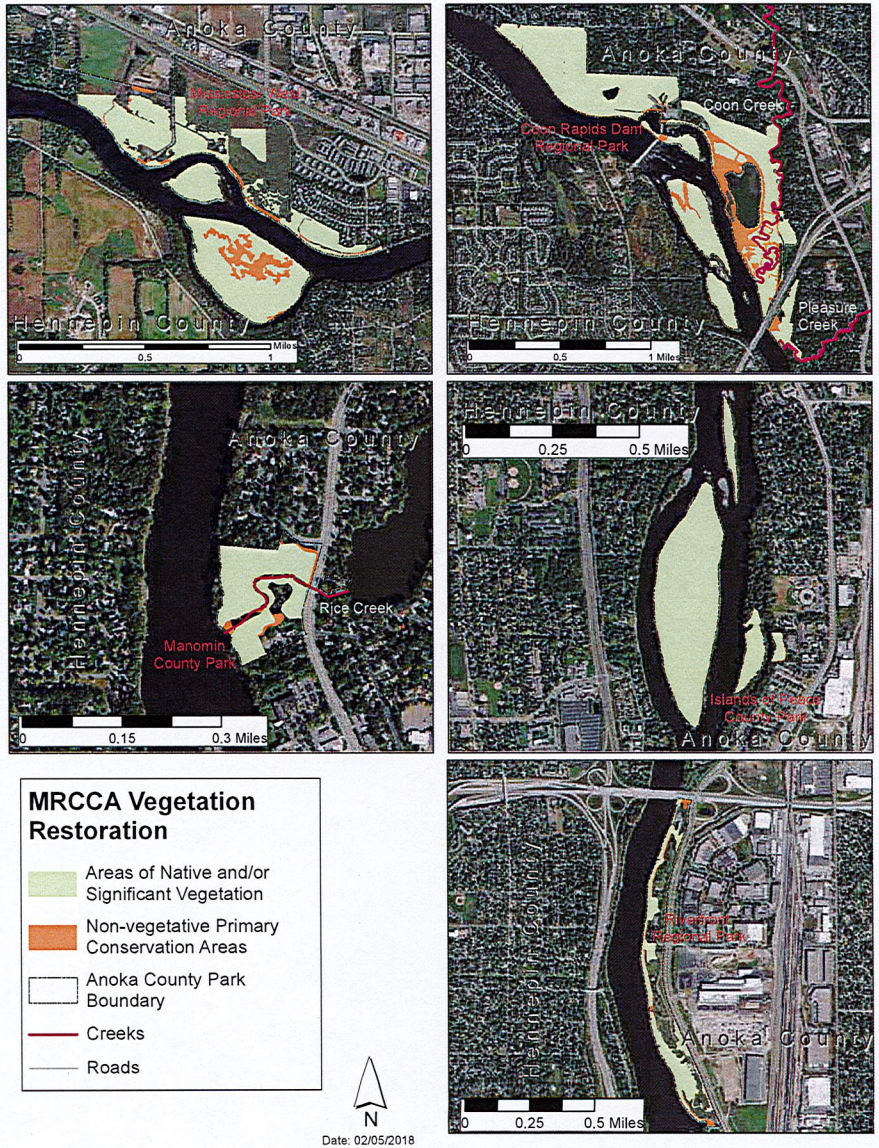


View from south end of park looking south

MRCCA CORRIDOR VIEW FROM RIVERFRONT REGIONAL PARK

View from the Mississippi River Trail near Riedel Farm House

View from south end of park looking south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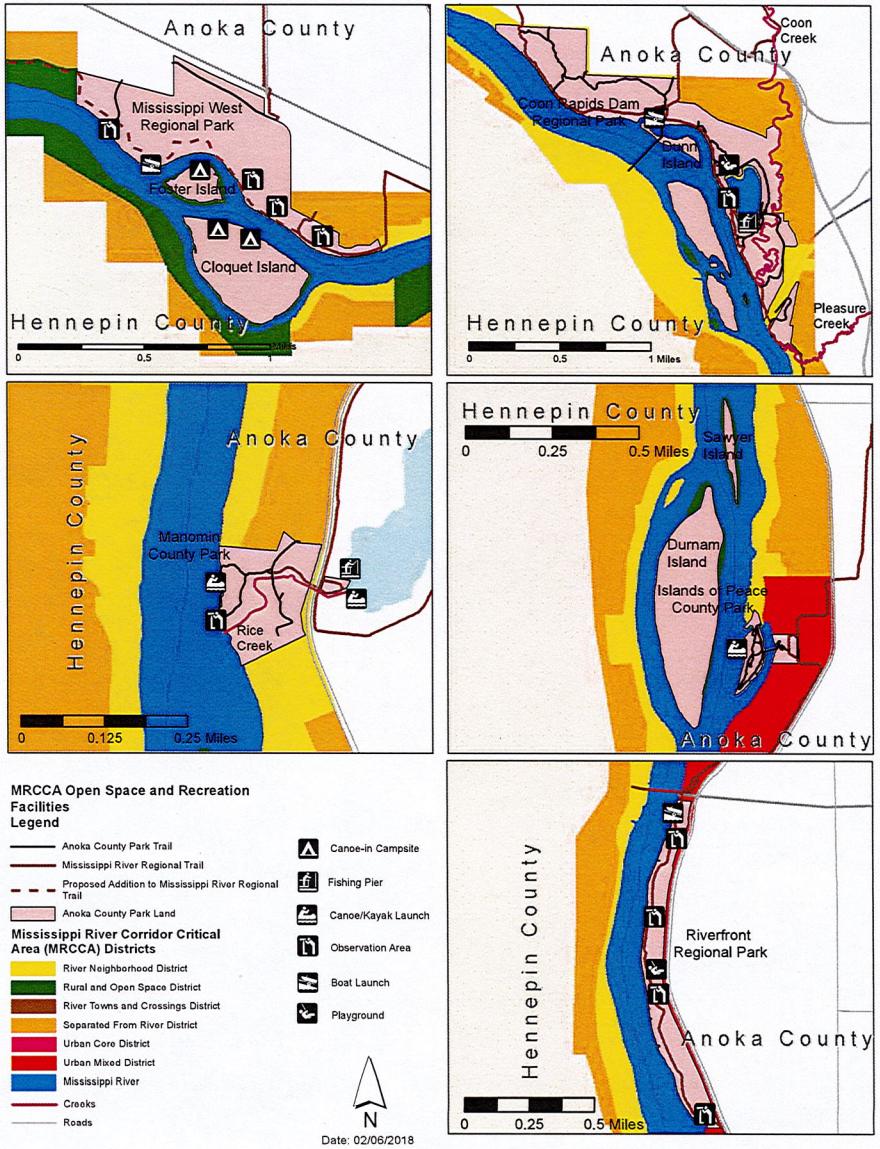
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Mississippi River Regional Trail
Proposed Addition to Mississippi River Regional Trail
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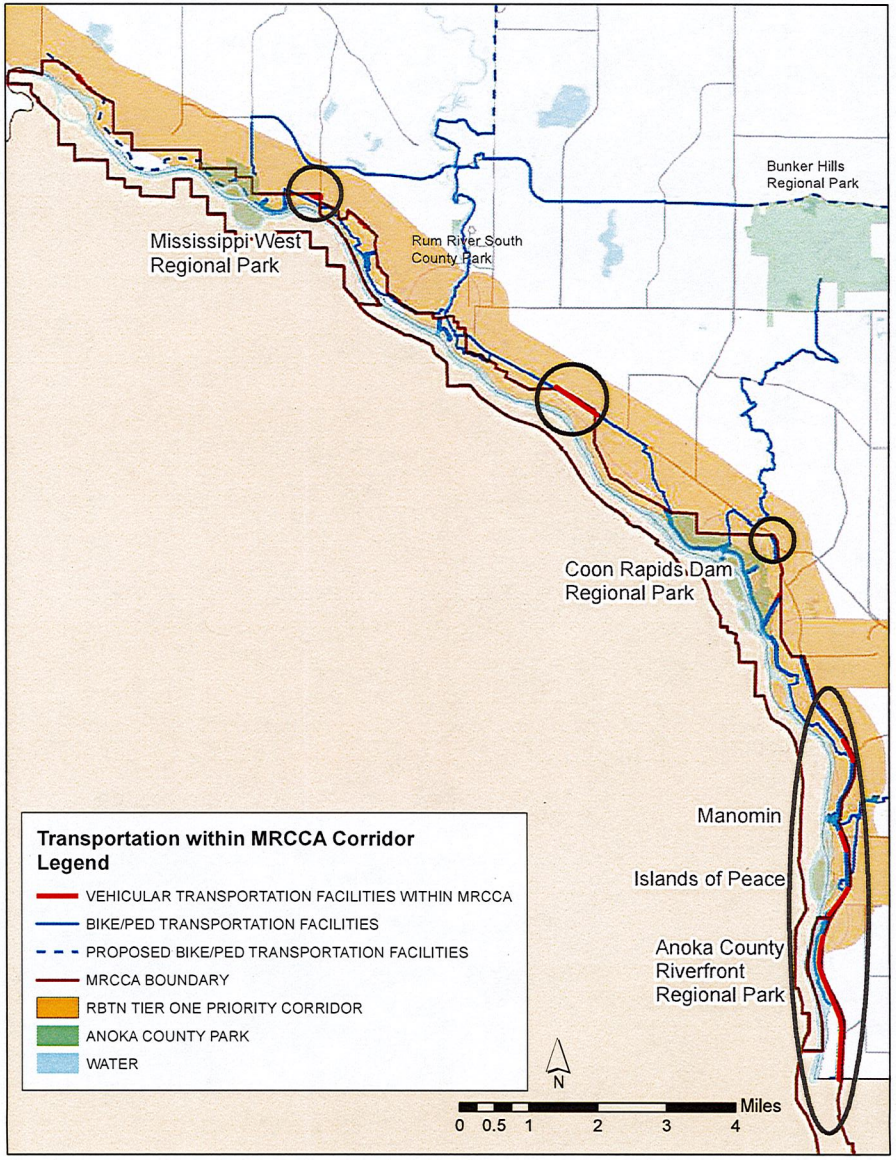
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Transportation within MRCCA Corridor
Legend
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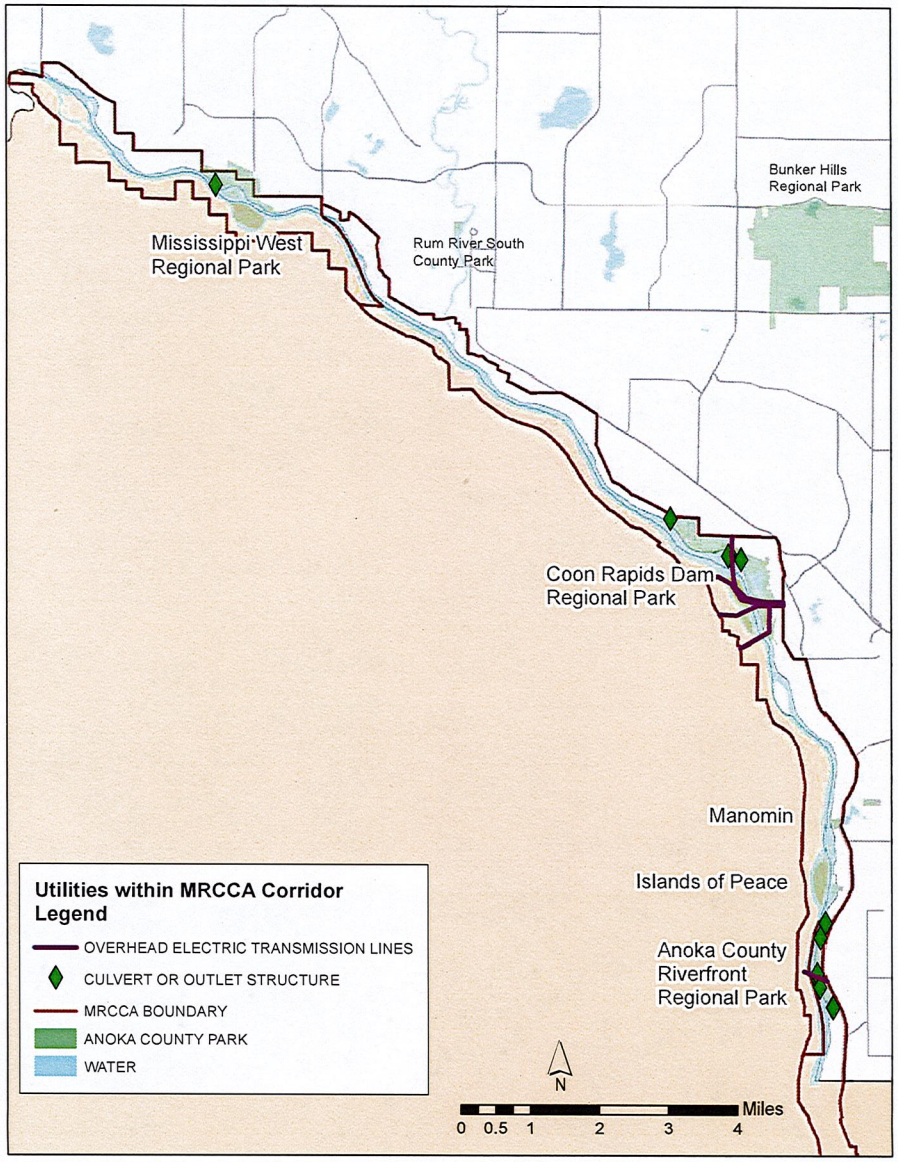
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Centennial Lakes Police Department
Media Report
5/17/18 through 5/23/18

CASE NUMBER: 18116646
CASE DESCRIPTION: SEAT BELT VIOLATION
INCIDENT DATE: 5/17/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 8800 BLOCK NAPLES ST, LEXINGTON, MN
NARRATIVE: OBSERVED A VEHICLE DRIVEN BY A MALE NOT WEARING HIS SEAT BELT. DRIVER HAD A BB GUN IN PLAIN VIEW AND REMOVED FROM THE VEHICLE AT GUN POINT. DRIVER CITED FOR NUMEROUS VIOLATIONS AND THE VEHICLE WAS TOWED BY TWIN CITIES TOWING AND RECOVERY.

CASE NUMBER: 18116707
CASE DESCRIPTION: INFORMATION ONLY
INCIDENT DATE: 5/17/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: POLICE DISPATCHED TO A DOMESTIC RELATED QUESTION INCIDENT ON WOODCREST DR. OFFICERS MEDIATED, INFORMATION ONLY.

CASE NUMBER: 18116900
CASE DESCRIPTION: DOMESTIC
INCIDENT DATE: 5/17/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: DOMESTIC
OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO CIRCLE PINES ON A DOMESTIC. OFFICERS MEDIATED BETWEEN THE COMPLAINANT AND HIS DAUGHTER. AMBULANCE WAS ORDERED FOR THE DAUGHTER AT THE FATHER'S REQUEST. AMBULANCE TRANSPORTED DAUGHTER FOR FURTHER EVALUATION.
CLEAR.

CASE NUMBER: 18117583
CASE DESCRIPTION: MEDICAL
INCIDENT DATE: 5/18/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 93XX LEXINGTON AVE, LEXINGTON, MN
NARRATIVE: MEDICAL
OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO THE 9300 BLOCK FOR A MEDICAL EMERGENCY.
OFFICERS ARRIVED AND THE FEMALE REFUSED MEDICAL CARE.
CLEAR

CASE NUMBER: 18117151
CASE DESCRIPTION: WELFARE CHECK
INCIDENT DATE: 5/17/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 38XX LIBERTY LN, LEXINGTON, MN
NARRATIVE: WELFARE CHECK.
OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO THE 3800 BLOCK OF LIBERTY LN TO CHECK THE WELFARE OF A JUVENILE FEMALE SITTING OUTSIDE OF HER RESIDENCE LOCKED OUT.
OFFICERS WERE ABLE TO LOCATE JUVENILE AND REUNITE HER WITH HER MOTHER.
CASE CLOSED.

CASE NUMBER: 18117172
CASE DESCRIPTION: DOMESTIC
INCIDENT DATE: 5/17/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 93XX HAMLINE AVE, LEXINGTON, MN
NARRATIVE: DOMESTIC.
OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO THE 9300 BLOCK OF HAMLINE AVE FOR A DOMESTIC INVOLVING WEAPONS.
OFFICERS MEDIATED THE PARTIES AND NO ONE WAS INJURED.
CASE CLOSED.

CASE NUMBER: 18118863
CASE DESCRIPTION: MEDICAL
INCIDENT DATE: 5/19/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: MEDICAL
ON 05/19/2018, OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO CIRCLE PINES FOR A MEDICAL EMERGENCY.
OFFICERS ARRIVED AND SPOKE WITH THE FEMALE.
FEMALE WAS TRANSPORTED TO THE HOSPITAL VIA AMBULANCE.
CLEAR

CASE NUMBER: 18118551
CASE DESCRIPTION: MEDICAL
INCIDENT DATE: 5/19/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 7X WEST RD, CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: MEDICAL
POLICE RESPONDED TO THE 70 BLOCK OF WEST ROAD ON A MEDICAL.
POLICE ARRIVED WITH PARAMEDICS AND ASSISTED AS NEEDED WITH THE VICITM. PARAMEDICS TRANSPORTED THE VICTIM TO A NEARBY MEDICAL CENTER FOR FURTHER TREATMENT.
CLEAR

CASE NUMBER: 18119150
CASE DESCRIPTION: MEDICAL
INCIDENT DATE: 5/19/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 1XX WEST GOLDEN LAKE RD, CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: MEDICAL.
OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO THE 100 BLOCK OF WEST GOLDEN LAKE RD FOR AN ADULT MALE HAVING A MEDICAL EMERGENCY.
THE MALE WAS TREATED ON SCENE BY ALLINA AMBULANCE CREW.
CASE CLOSED.

CASE NUMBER: 18118001
CASE DESCRIPTION: VEHICLE TOW
INCIDENT DATE: 5/18/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 3 XX RD, CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: ON THE ABOVE DATE AND TIME, I TOWED A VEHICLE NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF OAK RD AND OAK LEAF LANE.
CLEAR.

CASE NUMBER: 18117864
CASE DESCRIPTION: RUNAWAY JUVENILE
INCIDENT DATE: 5/18/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 18XX HOULE CIR, CENTERVILLE, MN
NARRATIVE: RUNAWAY JUVENILE
OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO THE 1800 BLOCK OF HOULE CIR ON A RUNAWAY JUVENILE. OFFICERS TOOK INFORMATION AND ENTERED THE JUVENILE AS A RUNAWAY. THE JUVENILE WAS LATER LOCATED AND WAS TRANSPORTED BY AMBULANCE FOR FURTHER EVALUATION.
CLEAR

CASE NUMBER: 18120309
CASE DESCRIPTION: VEHICLE LOCK OUT
INCIDENT DATE: 5/21/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE:

CASE NUMBER: 18118310
CASE DESCRIPTION: ACCIDENT/PROPERTY DAMAGE
INCIDENT DATE: 5/18/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 70XX 20TH AVE, CENTERVILLE, MN
NARRATIVE: POLICE RESPONDED TO THE 7000 BLOCK OF 20TH AVENUE ON A PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENT - HIT AND RUN.
POLICE GATHERED ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION FROM THE ADULT MALE VICTIM, WITNESSES, AND THE ADULT FEMALE SUSPECT. POLICE CITED THE FEMALE FOR THE VIOLATION. THE CITATION WAS MAILED TO HER HOME ADDRESS.
CLEAR

CASE NUMBER: 18120350
CASE DESCRIPTION: LOST DOG
INCIDENT DATE: 5/21/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 6X WEST RD, CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: OFFICER WAS DISPATCHED TO A LOST DOG CALL WITHIN THE 60 BLOCK OF WEST RD.
DOGS OWNER WAS LATER LOCATED.
CLEAR.

CASE NUMBER: 18121217
CASE DESCRIPTION: MEDICAL
INCIDENT DATE: 5/22/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 3X NORTH RD, CIRCLE PINES, MN
NARRATIVE: MEDICAL
POLICE RESPONDED TO THE 30 BLOCK NORTH ROAD ON A MEDICAL. POLICE PROVIDED MEDICAL ATTENTION TO THE VICTIM AND GATHERED ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION. PARAMEDICS ARRIVED AND TOOK OVER THE SCENE. PARAMEDICS TRANSPORTED THE VICTIM TO A NEARBY MEDICAL CENTER FOR FURTHER TREATMENT.
CLEAR

CASE NUMBER: 18120506
CASE DESCRIPTION: MEDICAL
INCIDENT DATE: 5/21/18
INCIDENT LOCATION: 16XX HUNTERS RIDGE LN, CENTERVILLE, MN
NARRATIVE: MEDICAL: RESPONDED TO THE 1600 BLOCK OF HUNTERS RIDGE LANE IN CENTERVILLE FOR ADULT MALE HAVING A MEDICAL EMERGENCY. UPON ARRIVAL, I RENDERED MEDICAL TREATMENT UNTIL EMS TOOK OVER. MALE TRANSPORTED TO THE HOSPITAL.

CITY OF LEXINGTON
WORKSHOP MINUTES
Thursday, May 17, 2018
Immediately following Council meeting
City Hall

1. Call to Order: Mayor Kurth

Mayor Kurth called to order the workshop for April 19, 2018 at 7:59 p.m. Councilmember's present: Devries, Harris, Hughes, and Murphy. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Jack Borgen, Liquor Store Manager; Gary Grote, Fire Chief; Joe Molohan, Quad Press; Chad Payment, Citizen.

2. Roll Call: DeVries – Hughes – Harris - Murphy

3. Discussion Items:

A. Discuss American Tower Lease Agreement Process

Attorney Glaser explained we are coming to the end of our lease agreement with American Tower on our wireless cell tower. Glaser explained that in the past he has used a consultant to place a value of the lease on the tower for the agreement. He added that Lexington, to his knowledge, has not used a consultant to conduct an analysis on the tower since 1992. He stated that the cost is $2,200 for the consultant's service out of Florida. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Kurth asked how much revenue do we get off of the tower. Finance Director Galiov stated the City gets $50,000/year for lease payments, although it will be less in the coming years due to the recent loss of a provider on the tower – Clearwire Wireless. Discussion ensued.

Glaser stated that there may be changes coming with 5G networks using public infrastructure for cell sites. Petracek added that he had heard of a 6G network being developed that would use individual cell phones as cell sites. Discussion ensued.

The consensus is to spend money to hire the consultant to place a value on our lease with American Tower. Due to timeliness of the contract directed Attorney Glaser and City Administrator Petracek to move ahead with hiring the consultant.

B. Discuss potential Fire Station upgrades

Petracek explained the memo received from Al Szymanski, MSA Consultants, regarding the potential remodel/upgrades that could be conducted on the fire station. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Kurth asked Fire Chief Grote to work with the firefighters and decide, based off of the memo from MSA Consultants, what upgrades would they like to see on the existing fire station.

Petracek stated at some point we would have MSA Consultants provide a cost estimate for the upgrades/remodel, and maybe a rendering of the plans so the Council and Fire Department can see what it will look like. Discussion ensued.

C. Discuss Pizza Man Business

Petracek stated that an idea came out of our staff meeting of potentially leasing a space in our liquor store to Don Wegeman, Pizza Man owner, and remodeling it to fit his needs. He added that after discussions with Mr. Wegeman, and Jack Borgen, Liquor Store Manager, that there is a possibility. However, Petracek stated that after the item was placed on the workshop agenda, he had had a discussion with Mr. Wegeman, and Petracek has concerns about Wegeman's finances and is not sure he would be able to afford the increased rent. Petracek stated we currently charge Pizza Man $1,400/month in the Lovell building - $23.00/sq. ft. for 700 sq. ft. of space – and Wegeman is asking for approximately 2000 sq. ft. of space for his new location. Petracek is concerned about the fact that other leasing opportunities have presented themselves to Mr. Wegeman, and had fallen through due to finances, location, etc. with the building owners.

Mayor Kurth expressed his concerns about the smell of pizza and the heat from the ovens in the liquor store. Petracek agreed and explained that even though Pizza Man may not be a good fit, he explained that with the changing liquor store markets, it would be a good idea to try to generate revenue from our building and seek out other options for leasing space in the liquor store. Jack Borgen agreed that he has about 2000 sq. ft. of space – 9,000 sq. ft. building – that is being used for beer storage, but he said it could easily be converted in to rental space. Discussion ensued.

Petracek recapped the discussion saying that he will tell Mr. Wegeman that the leasing potential won't work due to affordability, but he would move forward with obtaining a commercial realtor to help us find a potential leaser for the liquor store that would be a good fit for the City and the liquor store.

4. Staff Input – *No staff input*

5. Council Input – *No Council input*

6. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF LEXINGTON
COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given, the Lexington Planning & Zoning Commission will be conducting a Public Hearing on June 12, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. in the Lexington City Council Chambers, 9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN 55014. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be an annual meeting to receive public opinion on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP).

Anyone wishing to make a comment on the SWPPP is invited to attend the Public Hearing. If you are unable to attend, written comments are welcome and will be accepted until 4:30 P.M on June 12, 2018.

In accordance with the Americans With Disability Act, a hearing impaired individual, wishing to attend the Public Hearing, you may request a sign language translator by contacting City Hall (763) 784-2792 within one week prior to the hearing.

Bill Petracek
City Administrator

PUBLISHED IN THE QUAD COMMUNITY PRESS: May 29, 2018

Posted May 22, 2018

May 11, 2018

Bill Petracek, City Administrator
City of Lexington
9180 Lexington Ave
Lexington, MN 55014

Dear Mr. Petracek:

The Metropolitan Council has prepared preliminary population and household estimates for your community as of April 1, 2017. This is an annual process governed by Minnesota Statutes 473.24. Please note that these estimates are different from the Council's local forecasts that your community has reviewed before. Forecasts look ahead to the coming decades; the annual estimates communicated below look back in time to the previous year.

2017 Annual Population Estimate
The Metropolitan Council estimates that the City of Lexington had 2,114 people and 810 households as of April 1, 2017. Household size averaged 2.605 persons per household.

How was this estimate calculated?
We estimate households and population with a housing-stock-based method, which involves three questions:

1. *How many housing units did your community have?*
2. *How many households occupied these housing units?*
3. *How many people lived in these occupied housing units?*

This letter includes an overview of our estimation method along with a report showing the data inputs and calculations used to develop the preliminary estimates. For more information, visit https://www.metrocouncil.org/populationestimates, or contact me at 651-602-1513.

Can this estimate be compared to last year's estimate?
Each year, we update our data and refine our methods, so preliminary estimates from different years are not directly comparable. We don't recommend taking the difference between the 2016 and 2017 estimates to calculate growth between 2016 and 2017. Instead, we recommend examining growth since the 2010 Census, which you can find in the enclosed report.

How can my community provide feedback on this estimate?
We welcome discussion of the preliminary estimates and invite you to review and comment on them. Please send any written comments or questions to Matt Schroeder, Metropolitan Council Research, 390 Robert Street North, Saint Paul, MN 55101; or by e-mail to Matt.Schroeder@metc.state.mn.us. *Under Minnesota Statutes 473.24, we must receive your comments, questions, or specific objections, in writing, by June 24, 2018.*

What happens after my community provides feedback?
The Council will certify final estimates by July 15, 2018 for state government use in allocating local government aid and street aid.

Sincerely,

Matthew B. Schroeder

Matt Schroeder
Senior Researcher

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METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Lexington city, Anoka County

2017 Annual Population Estimate

Published May 11, 2018 (preliminary; distributed for local government review)

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

	Housing units	Occupancy rate	Households	Persons per household	Population in households	Population in group quarters	Total population
2017 Estimate	833	97.24%	810	2.605	2,110	4	2,114
2010 Census	861	91.41%	787	2.599	2,045	4	2,049

The Metropolitan Council estimates population using the housing stock method, which answers three main questions for each community as of April 1, 2017

First, how many housing units did the community have?

- We start with housing units measured by the 2010 Census, then add units built between 2010 and 2016, based on permits reported to us by communities. (Permit data are available on our website (https://stats.metc.state.mn.us/data_download/DD_start.aspx).)
  - We assume that 95% of single-family detached units and 90% of townhome/duplex/triplex/quadplex units permitted in 2016 were completed and occupiable by April 1, 2017; the remainder are assumed to have been completed after that date and will count toward next year's estimates (for April 1, 2018).
  - Multifamily units permitted between 2010 and 2013 are assumed to be completed. Units permitted between 2014 and 2016 are counted only if they were open by April 1, 2017; the remaining units will count toward next year's estimates if they were open by April 1, 2018. According to our records, Lexington permitted 0 multifamily units in 2014 or 2015 that were not open by April 1, 2017, and 0 units permitted in 2016 that were not open by April 1, 2017.
  - Manufactured home data comes from our annual surveys of manufactured home park operators and local governments.
  - Data on other housing (boats, RVs, etc. used as housing) comes from the most recent American Community Survey data; this housing is included in the estimates only if occupied.
- We also examine other housing stock changes reported by communities. These include demolitions, building conversions (units added or lost), boundary changes (units annexed in or out), and other changes reported by city and township staff.

	Housing stock April 1, 2010	Permitted and built since 2010	Other changes since 2010	Housing stock April 1, 2017
Single-family detached	459	2	-1	460
Townhome (Single-family attached)	60	0	0	60
Duplex/triplex/quadplex	70	0	0	70
Multifamily (5 or more units)	145	0	0	145
Alternative dwelling units (ADU)	0	0	0	0
Manufactured homes	127			98
Other units	0			0
Total	**861**			**833**

Second, how many of these housing units were occupied by households?

- Each housing type has an estimated occupancy rate. These data come from the most recent American Community Survey estimates for housing units and households, decennial census data from the U.S. Census Bureau, and the U.S. Postal Service.
- Multiplying the number of housing units of each type by the occupancy rate yields the number of households (occupied housing units).

Third, how many people lived in these occupied housing units?

- Each housing type has an estimated average household size. These data come from the most recent American Community Survey estimates of households and population in households as well as decennial census data from the U.S. Census Bureau.
- Multiplying the number of households in each housing type by the average household size yields the population in households.

	Housing stock April 1, 2017	Occupancy rate	Households (Occupied housing units)	Persons per household	Population in households
Single-family detached	460	97.84%	450	2.749	1,237
Townhome (Single-family attached)	60	98.68%	59	2.749	162
Duplex/triplex/quadplex	70	98.58%	69	3.502	242
Multifamily (5 or more units)	145	93.14%	135	1.538	208
Alternative dwelling units (ADU)	0	93.14%	0	1.538	0
Manufactured homes	98	99.32%	97	2.693	261
Other units	0	N/A	0	2.501	0
Total	**833**	**97.24%**	**810**	**2.605**	**2,110**

To obtain the total population, we also add the number of residents in group quarters facilities.
These are residences that are not part of the standard housing market, such as college dormitories, nursing homes, prisons and jails, and group homes. Data come from the Metropolitan Council's annual survey and the Minnesota Department of Human Services.

Population in households	Population in group quarters	Total population April 1, 2017
2,110	4	2,114

Due to rounding, not all estimates can be reproduced exactly from the above inputs.

For more information see our methodology document, available from https://www.metrocouncil.org/populationestimates.

The Metropolitan Council's housing-stock-based approach to estimating population involves answering three questions.

HOW MANY HOUSING UNITS ARE IN THE COMMUNITY?

Housing units in 2010
(U.S. Census)

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Changes to housing stock since 2010
(Metropolitan Council surveys)

We start with the housing units from the 2010 Census, then we add units identified in our annual surveys of residential construction (building permits and other housing stock changes) and manufactured housing parks.

This results in the estimated number of housing units in each community, broken down by the type of housing.

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HOW MANY HOUSEHOLDS OCCUPY THESE HOUSING UNITS?

Occupancy rates
(U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Postal Service)

Not all of these housing units are occupied; some are vacant.

To estimate the number of households, we examine occupancy rates in the community for different types of housing. These data come from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey and Decennial Census as well as the U.S. Postal Service.

This results in the estimated number of households in each community, again broken down by the type of housing.

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HOW MANY PEOPLE LIVE IN THESE OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS?

Average household sizes (persons per household)
(U.S. Census Bureau)

Finally, we examine the average household sizes in the community for different types of housing. These data come from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey and Decennial Census.

To arrive at the total population, we add in residents of "group quarters" (places like correctional facilities, college dormitories, emergency housing shelters, and nursing homes), measured by our annual survey of such facilities.

The data inputs for your community are shown in the enclosed report.
For more detail, see the estimates methodology, available from https://www.metrocouncil.org/populationestimates.

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

MINUTES
REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
May 8, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.
9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN

1. CALL TO ORDER
   A. Roll Call: Chairperson O'Neil, Commissioners Bautch, Thorson, Koch and Vanderbloomer

Chairperson O'Neil called to order the Regular Planning Commission meeting on May 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners Present: John Bautch, Michele Koch, Ron Thorson, and Mark Vanderbloomer. Also present: John Hughes, Councilmember; Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney.

2. CITIZENS FORUM

No citizens were present to address the Planning Commission on items not on the agenda

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

VanderBloomer made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Bautch seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATION
   A. Building Permits for April 2018

The Commission had some discussion on the proposed demolition of the house located at Lovell Road and Syndicate Ave. Petracek explained that the financing fell through on the building of a new house. He added that the owner's are intending to fix-up the existing house and sell it for a profit. Discussion ensued.

5. APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
   A. April 10, 2018

Koch made a motion to approve the April 10, 2018 minutes as typewritten. Thorson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. DISCUSSION ITEM:
   A. Discuss Zoning Section 11.34 Dimensional Requirements

Kurt Glaser, City Attorney, reintroduced discussion on the Zoning Section 11.34 Dimensional Requirements and provided an update from the discussion on this section

back in February of 2017. Glaser provided the draft version Section 11.34 created from the discussion at that February 2017 meeting. Discussion ensued.

Attorney Glaser clarified that he would bring back example structure and lots for this section of zoning to the June meeting.

Petracek stated he would set-up the GIS mapping of Lexington on the PowerPoint projector and screen for the June meeting.

7. NOTE COUNCIL MINUTES:
    A. April 5, 2018
    B. April 19, 2018

Some discussion on April 5th and April 19th City Council minutes.

8. PLANNING COMMISSION INPUT

Some discussion was had on the burned out building on Restwood Ave and Albert Ave. area, which is located in the City of Blaine.

Some discussion was had about the Don Sander's property on Hamline Ave. Petracek stated he would remind the P.D. about enforcement on their property.

Thorson pointed out the cars jacked up at the zero lot-line home on Hamline and Flowerfield Road.

Petracek explained that Dominium Acquisition LLC will be holding an open house on the Lovell property redevelopment project. He stated that no date has been set, but he will inform the P & Z members if they choose to attend. He said it would tentatively be in late May, but nothing scheduled.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Bautch made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Thorson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF LEXINGTON
COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given, the Lexington City Council and the City Administrator will meet in Closed Executive Session with legal counsel for the City, during the Council Meeting on Thursday, June 7, 2018. The Council will convene directly after Mayor & Council Input. The Council will re-convene to adjourn the Council meeting directly afterwards. The meeting will take place at Lexington City Hall, Conference Room, 9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN.

- **The purpose is to discuss ASCFME Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Mary Vinzant
Deputy City Clerk

POSTED: June 1, 2018

Unapproved Minutes
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 17, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** – Mayor Kurth

A. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Harris, Hughes and Murphy

Mayor Kurth called to order the Regular City Council meeting for May 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Devries, Harris, Hughes, and Murphy. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Jack Borgen, Liquor Store Manager; Lexington Fire Department Members: Gary Grote, Mark VanderBloomer, Erik Edwards, Keith Harris, and Scott Parenteau; Chris Janson, MSA Consultants; Josie Matteson, MSA Consultants; Glen Rank and Tim Harmsen, Dinkytown Rentals; Keith Moeller, Fit Recovery; Joe Molohon, Quad Press.

2. **CITIZENS FORUM**

No citizens were present to address the Council on items not on the agenda.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS**

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. **2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW PRESENTATION Chris Jansen MSA**

Chris Janson and Josie Matteson, MSA Consultants, explained the 2040 Comprehensive Planning process that had begun with the Planning and Zoning Commission over the past year or so. Janson provided a PowerPoint presentation of the draft plan the Planning Commission had developed during the process. Discussion ensued.

Petracek asked what the next steps for the planning process would be. Janson explained that the document will be mailed out to surrounding jurisdictions for comments to be received back on the plan. He added that a public hearing will be held on the final draft of the document in October or November, whenever is best for the Council to hold the hearing. Discussion ensued.

5. **LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

A. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Report

- 4-26-2018 through 5-2-2018

- 5-3-2018 through 5-10-2018

B. North Metro TV April 2018 Update

C. City Report – April 2018 newsletter

D. Mediation Services for Anoka County

No discussion on Letters and Communications

6. CONSENT ITEMS:

A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
Council Meeting – May 3, 2018

B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:

Check #'s 13575 through 13575
Check #'s 43425 through 43484
Check #'s 11951 through 11972

C. Financial Reports

- Cash Balances
- Fund Summary – Budget to Actual

Councilmember Murphy made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Recommendation to approve Up to $30.00 per month reimbursement for Fitness Center fees to Lexington Firefighters effective date; **Date of Lovell Building sale closing**

Mayor Kurth stated he did some research on what other fire departments in the metro area do to help their firefighter's stay physically fit and explained to the Council what these communities do for their firefighters. He added that it is a requirement of the NFPA for communities to establish a health & fitness program for their fire department. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve up to $30.00 per month reimbursement for Fitness Center fees to Lexington Firefighters on the effective date of the Lovell Building sale closing. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Mayor Kurth and Councilmember Harris abstained from the vote.

B. Recommendation to approve Revised Development Agreement with 89 Lexington, LLC – Ephesians Apartment Complex - documents under separate cover

Attorney Glaser discussed the revised development agreement for the Ephesians Apartment complex. He stated that this document will replace the development agreement that was approved in December, and this would be the 2nd phase of the development process. He added that the 3rd phase of the development process would be approving the final plat for the project, which will be coming in the next few weeks. Glaser stated the revised development agreement includes Site Escrow values, so that if the project goes bankrupt or the project is not completed by the developer, the City would have the ability to complete the project through the use of the escrow accounts. Discussion ensued.

Glaser explained that he is asking the Council to conditionally approve the agreement and added that we may be back to either amend or supplement the agreement in the near future to consider the type of escrow financing – performance bond or letter of credit. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the revised Development Agreement, with the condition that Staff update the blanks in Section 6 of the Agreement. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Recommendation to approve New Business License: Fit Recovery –A DBA of Faith Fit Marketing.

Keith Moeller, Faith Fit Marketing, provided an explanation to the Council on Cryotherapy. Councilmember Hughes asked if Cryotherapy needs licensing. Moeller replied by saying that he, as well as his technicians, are certified by the company to use the Cryotherapy chambers, but no other licensing. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve a new business license for Fit Recovery – A DBA of Faith Fit Marketing. Councilmember Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

D. Recommendation to approve Minnesota Lawful Gambling Premises Permit Application for Centennial Youth Hockey Association (Carbone's Pizzeria)

Mayor Kurth asked about potentially applying the same conditions to Centennial Youth Hockey Association, as the City Council did for St. Paul Fire Relief Association gambling permit at Station 57. Attorney Glaser explained that the conditions applied to St. Paul Fire Relief Association were due to the organization not being local, and Centennial Youth Hockey is a local organization. He added that there would be no liability involved with a local gambling organization. The consensus of the Council was to not apply similar conditions to the permit. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve Minnesota Lawful Gambling Premises Permit Application for Centennial Youth Hockey Association (Carbone's Pizzeria). Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

8. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

Councilmember Devries asked about the auto sales lot on Lake Drive and discussed how the sales building is so close to the new road being constructed to connect South Highway drive. Petracek said that the building inspector had touched base with the owner, and the owner stated that the County was not going to make him move the building following the construction process. Discussion ensued.

Petracek stated he would follow up with Anoka County Engineer to find out more details on why the building does not need to be moved.

9. ADMINISTRATOR INPUT

No Input from the city administrator

10. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CITY OF LEXINGTON

RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND BILLS

The following claims and bills have been presented to the Council for approval at the Council Meeting of June 7, 2018.

(1) Payroll

Checks	13576	through	13578	$	803.87
Vouchers	501102	through	501132	$	6,625.56
Vouchers	501134	through	501168	$	39,908.91

Payroll Taxes			
Federal Tax	$5,657.52		
Social Security	$8,019.96		
Medicare	$1,875.74		
		$15,553.22	
State Tax	$2,905.73	$2,905.73	
Total			$18,458.95

(2) General and Liquor Payment Recommendations:

Checks	43485	through	43549	$	231,471.49

(3) ACH and Credit Card Payments for: MAY 2018

ACH Checks:	2303E	through	2311E	$	1,504.32

Total Payments and Withdrawals Approval	$	297,969.23

Centennial Lakes Police Payment Recommendations:

Checks	11974	through	12003	$	58,477.18
ACH		through		$	-
Total Payments				$	58,477.18
VOID:				$	-

CITY OF LEXINGTON

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June 2018

		Check Amt	Invoice	Comment
10100 4M FUND				
Paid Chk# 043485	6/7/2018 **AFSCME MN COUNCIL 5**			
G 101-21719	Union Dues	$232.80		JUNE 2018 UNION DUES
	Total AFSCME MN COUNCIL 5	$232.80		
Paid Chk# 043486	6/7/2018 **ALL PROFESSIONAL CARPET**			
E 609-00000-230	Contracted Services	$96.19		JAN-MAR 2018
	Total ALL PROFESSIONAL CARPET	$96.19		
Paid Chk# 043487	6/7/2018 **ALL SEASONS RENTAL**			
E 101-43100-416	Equipment Rentals	$168.84	1-57258	EQUIPMENT RENTAL
	Total ALL SEASONS RENTAL	$168.84		
Paid Chk# 043488	6/7/2018 **ALLINA**			
E 101-42260-218	Medical/First Aid Supplies	$447.00	II10023541	AED SUPPLIES
E 101-41500-400	General Maintenance	$385.00	II10023599	AED SUPPLIES
	Total ALLINA	$832.00		
Paid Chk# 043489	6/7/2018 **AMAZON**			
E 609-00000-400	General Maintenance	$84.15	11MV-N4QC-6	AIR FILTERS - MLS
	Total AMAZON	$84.15		
Paid Chk# 043490	6/7/2018 **ARTISAN BEER COMPANY**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$904.00	3261066	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$781.20	3262787	
	Total ARTISAN BEER COMPANY	$1,685.20		
Paid Chk# 043491	6/7/2018 **AVESIS VISION PLAN**			
E 101-41500-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$7.08	2000613	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM
E 101-43100-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$8.04	2000613	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM
E 101-45200-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$5.36	2000613	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM
E 609-00000-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$27.56	2000613	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM
	Total AVESIS VISION PLAN	$48.04		
Paid Chk# 043492	6/7/2018 **AWARDS BY HAMMOND, INC**			
E 101-42260-214	Fire Uniforms	$29.50	M4979	SIGNS - FIRE DEPT
	Total AWARDS BY HAMMOND, INC	$29.50		
Paid Chk# 043493	6/7/2018 **BELLBOY CORPORATION**			
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$1,351.68	64170000	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$584.67	97528301	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$169.97	97601300	
	Total BELLBOY CORPORATION	$2,106.32		
Paid Chk# 043494	6/7/2018 **BENT BREWSTILLERY**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$186.49	INV-005019	
	Total BENT BREWSTILLERY	$186.49		
Paid Chk# 043495	6/7/2018 **BERNICKS BEVERAGES**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$151.64	424237	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$20.00	425738	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$1,775.90	425739	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$34.00	427196	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$307.40	427197	
	Total BERNICKS BEVERAGES	$2,288.94		
Paid Chk# 043496	6/7/2018 **BLAINE, CITY OF**			

CITY OF LEXINGTON

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June 2018

		Check Amt	Invoice	Comment
G 770-11750	Accounts Receivable - Unbilled	$4,387.39	5359	LIFT STATION REPAIRS
	Total BLAINE, CITY OF	$4,387.39		
Paid Chk# 043497	6/7/2018 **BREAKTHRU BEVERAGE MN**			
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$1,980.53	1080798263	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$3,523.63	1080801567	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$27.70	1080801568	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	($84.58)	2080201378	
	Total BREAKTHRU BEVERAGE MN	$5,447.28		
Paid Chk# 043498	6/7/2018 **CAPITOL BEVERAGE SALES**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$4,390.75	2102978	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$7,571.45	2106207	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	($116.78)	2106208	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$17,567.65	2109552	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	($365.90)	2109558	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	($149.75)	254-0605	
	Total CAPITOL BEVERAGE SALES	$28,897.42		
Paid Chk# 043499	6/7/2018 **CENTENNIAL LAKES PD**			
E 101-42110-230	Contracted Services	$60,069.25		JUNE 2018 MONTHLY POLICE SERVICES
	Total CENTENNIAL LAKES PD	$60,069.25		
Paid Chk# 043500	6/7/2018 **CIRCLE PINES, CITY OF**			
E 599-42110-601	Bond Principal	$4,583.33		POLICE BLDG PAYMENT
E 599-42110-611	Bond Interest	$245.94		POLICE BLDG PAYMENT
G 770-11750	Accounts Receivable - Unbilled	$1,292.88	508	LIFT STATION REPAIRS
	Total CIRCLE PINES, CITY OF	$6,122.15		
Paid Chk# 043501	6/7/2018 **CITYWIDE WINDOW SERVICES INC.**			
E 609-00000-400	General Maintenance	$32.42	641913	APRIL 2018 SERVICE
	Total CITYWIDE WINDOW SERVICES INC.	$32.42		
Paid Chk# 043502	6/7/2018 **CLEAR RIVER BEVERAGE COMPANY**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$744.69	101-5228	
	Total CLEAR RIVER BEVERAGE COMPANY	$744.69		
Paid Chk# 043503	6/7/2018 **COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO**			
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$608.29	3642204421	
	Total COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO	$608.29		
Paid Chk# 043504	6/7/2018 **COMCAST**			
E 609-00000-329	Cable/Internet	$132.00		8772 10 519 0024097
	Total COMCAST	$132.00		
Paid Chk# 043505	6/7/2018 **DAHLHEIMER DISTRIBUTING**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$10,423.05	1349407	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$6,358.70	176099	
	Total DAHLHEIMER DISTRIBUTING	$16,781.75		
Paid Chk# 043506	6/7/2018 **DATADIRT**			
E 101-43100-224	Street Maint Materials	$1,094.85	1398	STREET MAINTENANCE
	Total DATADIRT	$1,094.85		
Paid Chk# 043507	6/7/2018 **DELTA DENTAL**			
E 101-41500-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$109.35	7291537	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM
E 101-43100-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$88.38	7291537	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM

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E 101-45200-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$58.92	7291537	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM
E 609-00000-160	Health/Dental Insurance	$183.00	7291537	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM
	Total DELTA DENTAL	$439.65		
Paid Chk# 043508	6/7/2018 **EHLERS & ASSOC.**			
G 220-22040	Dominium Escrow - Lovell Bldg	$397.50	76844	LOVELL BLDG PROJECT
	Total EHLERS & ASSOC.	$397.50		
Paid Chk# 043509	6/7/2018 **FERGUSON WATERWORKS**			
E 730-00000-500	Capital Expenditures	$32.10	0280032	HYDRANT PROJECT SUPPLIES
	Total FERGUSON WATERWORKS	$32.10		
Paid Chk# 043510	6/7/2018 **FRATTALLONE S HARDWARE**			
E 101-42260-210	Operating Supplies	$79.85	063544/G	SUPPLIES - FIRE DEPT
E 730-00000-500	Capital Expenditures	$32.99	063659/G	FIRE HYDRANT PROJECT
E 101-42260-210	Operating Supplies	$103.82	063745/G	SUPPLIES - FIRE DEPT
	Total FRATTALLONE S HARDWARE	$216.66		
Paid Chk# 043511	6/7/2018 **HAMMERHEART BREWING CO.**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$183.00	2018-322	
	Total HAMMERHEART BREWING CO.	$183.00		
Paid Chk# 043512	6/7/2018 **HAWKINS INC**			
E 730-00000-216	Chemicals	$5,093.50	4278904	WATER CHEMICALS
	Total HAWKINS INC	$5,093.50		
Paid Chk# 043513	6/7/2018 **HOHENSTEINS INC**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$1,873.50	963967	
	Total HOHENSTEINS INC	$1,873.50		
Paid Chk# 043514	6/7/2018 **HYDRO-VAC, INC.**			
E 730-00000-500	Capital Expenditures	$1,437.50	11916	HYDRANT PROJECT REPAIRS
E 730-00000-500	Capital Expenditures	$2,125.00	11925	HYDRANT PROJECT REPAIRS
	Total HYDRO-VAC, INC.	$3,562.50		
Paid Chk# 043515	6/7/2018 **IKES PLUMBING**			
E 101-45200-401	Repair Buildings	$532.50	12438	MEMORIAL PARK REPAIRS
E 101-45200-401	Repair Buildings	$215.00	12442	MEMORIAL PARK REPAIRS
	Total IKES PLUMBING	$747.50		
Paid Chk# 043516	6/7/2018 **JJ TAYLOR**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$13,363.40	2798122	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$8,953.25	2813589	
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$4,536.10	2833019	
	Total JJ TAYLOR	$26,852.75		
Paid Chk# 043517	6/7/2018 **JOHNSON BROTHERS LIQUOR**			
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$160.21	1005855	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$1,331.64	1007067	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$2,466.05	1007068	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$38.21	1007069	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$659.44	1007070	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$144.81	1011239	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$183.13	1011240	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$1,716.59	1012788	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$793.70	1012789	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$85.12	1012790	

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E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$1,162.76	1012791	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	($173.21)	678384	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	($310.05)	678655	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	($17.21)	678656	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	($123.21)	679719	
Total	**JOHNSON BROTHERS LIQUOR**	$8,117.98		
Paid Chk# 043518	6/7/2018 **JR S APPLIANCE DISPOSAL**			
E 101-43500-230	Contracted Services	$1,189.10	94861	SPRING EVENT RECYCLING
Total	**JR S APPLIANCE DISPOSAL**	$1,189.10		
Paid Chk# 043519	6/7/2018 **KEEPRS, INC.**			
E 101-42260-214	Fire Uniforms	$45.77	378492	UNIFORMS - FIRE DEPT
E 101-42260-214	Fire Uniforms	$51.15	378492-01	UNIFORMS - FIRE DEPT
Total	**KEEPRS, INC.**	$96.92		
Paid Chk# 043520	6/7/2018 **KIRVIDA FIRE**			
E 101-42260-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment	$430.12	7032	REPAIRS - 2016 FORD
E 101-42260-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment	$359.50	7033	REPAIRS - 2001 PUMPER
Total	**KIRVIDA FIRE**	$789.62		
Paid Chk# 043521	6/7/2018 **LUPULIN BREWING**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$252.00	12425	
Total	**LUPULIN BREWING**	$252.00		
Paid Chk# 043522	6/7/2018 **M AMUNDSON LLP**			
E 609-00000-256	Tobacco Products For Resale	$3,772.93	258366	
E 609-00000-256	Tobacco Products For Resale	$1,466.15	258789	
Total	**M AMUNDSON LLP**	$5,239.08		
Paid Chk# 043523	6/7/2018 **METERING & TECH SOLUTIONS**			
E 730-00000-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment	$3,562.93	11594	WATER METERS
Total	**METERING & TECH SOLUTIONS**	$3,562.93		
Paid Chk# 043524	6/7/2018 **MKL SERVICES, LLC**			
E 220-46000-230	Contracted Services	$132.00	06072018	WEEK ENDING 05/19/18
E 220-46000-230	Contracted Services	$132.00	06072018	WEEK ENDING 05/26/18
E 220-46000-230	Contracted Services	$132.00	06072018	WEEK ENDING 06/02/18
Total	**MKL SERVICES, LLC**	$396.00		
Paid Chk# 043525	6/7/2018 **MN DEPT OF HEALTH**			
G 730-23000	Water Testing	$992.00		Q2 2018 WATER SUPPLY CONN. FEE
Total	**MN DEPT OF HEALTH**	$992.00		
Paid Chk# 043526	6/7/2018 **MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**			
E 101-41500-308	Consultant Fees	$850.33	13-R10481025	2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
E 730-00000-303	Engineering Fees	$594.00	18-R10481023	WATER SUPPLY PLAN
E 417-00000-303	Engineering Fees	$2,220.90	21-R10481024	2017 STREET IMPROVEMENTS
E 310-41500-570	Office Equip and Furnishings	$970.90	3-R10481031.	2018 GIS UPGRADE
E 651-00000-303	Engineering Fees	$2,916.00	58-R10481002	NPDES PHASE II MS4
E 101-41500-303	Engineering Fees	$729.00	62-R10481000	GENERAL SERVICES
G 101-22042	Dinkytown Rentals Escrow	$1,427.87	7-R10481028.	THE EPHESIANS PROJECT
Total	**MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**	$9,709.00		
Paid Chk# 043527	6/7/2018 **NCPERS GROUP LIFE INSURANCE**			
G 101-21724	Life Insurance	$80.00	5868618	JUNE 2018 PREMIUM

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Total NCPERS GROUP LIFE INSURANCE		$80.00		
Paid Chk# 043528	6/7/2018 **OMNI BREWING CO.**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$210.00	E-2315	
Total OMNI BREWING CO.		$210.00		
Paid Chk# 043529	6/7/2018 **OXYGEN SERVICE COMPANY**			
E 101-42260-210	Operating Supplies	$138.00	03404537	APRIL 2018 SERVICE
Total OXYGEN SERVICE COMPANY		$138.00		
Paid Chk# 043530	6/7/2018 **PAUSTIS & SONS**			
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$501.88	11338	
Total PAUSTIS & SONS		$501.88		
Paid Chk# 043531	6/7/2018 **PEPSI COLA COMPANY**			
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$216.85	52655657	
Total PEPSI COLA COMPANY		$216.85		
Paid Chk# 043532	6/7/2018 **PERFORMANCE PLUS**			
E 101-42260-207	Physical & Fit Training	$100.00	5076 LF	VACCINATIONS - FIRE DEPT
Total PERFORMANCE PLUS		$100.00		
Paid Chk# 043533	6/7/2018 **PETRACEK, BILL**			
E 101-41500-205	Mileage Reimbursement	$200.00		JUNE 2018
E 101-41500-321	Telephone	$100.00		JUNE 2018
Total PETRACEK, BILL		$300.00		
Paid Chk# 043534	6/7/2018 **PHILLIPS WINE AND SPIRITS INC**			
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$252.32	2355259	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$324.13	2355260	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$102.85	2356216	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$992.23	2356217	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$344.20	2356218	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$90.71	2359121	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$91.77	2359122	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$1,019.39	2360116	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$859.83	2360117	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	($294.92)	294373	
Total PHILLIPS WINE AND SPIRITS INC		$3,782.51		
Paid Chk# 043535	6/7/2018 **PRESS PUBLICATIONS**			
E 730-00000-351	Legal Notices Publishing	$663.48	591666	CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT
Total PRESS PUBLICATIONS		$663.48		
Paid Chk# 043536	6/7/2018 **RED BULL DISTRIBUTION CO.**			
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$218.75	K-35264982	
Total RED BULL DISTRIBUTION CO.		$218.75		
Paid Chk# 043537	6/7/2018 **ROCK GARDENS**			
E 101-45200-210	Operating Supplies	$199.60	80093	BLACK DIRT - PARKS
E 730-00000-500	Capital Expenditures	$199.60	81534	FIRE HYDRANT PROJECT
Total ROCK GARDENS		$399.20		
Paid Chk# 043538	6/7/2018 **ROSEVILLE, CITY OF**			
E 101-41900-230	Contracted Services	$547.75	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES
E 101-42260-230	Contracted Services	$156.50	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES
E 101-43100-230	Contracted Services	$156.50	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES

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E 101-45200-230	Contracted Services	$156.50	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES
E 609-41900-230	Contracted Services	$156.50	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES
E 651-41900-230	Contracted Services	$78.25	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES
E 730-41900-230	Contracted Services	$156.50	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES
E 770-41900-230	Contracted Services	$156.50	0224559	MAY 2018 IT SERVICES
Total	**ROSEVILLE, CITY OF**	$1,565.00		
Paid Chk# 043539	6/7/2018 **ROYAL ROOFING INC**			
E 101-41500-401	Repair Buildings	$122.57	18-104	GUTTER CLEANING AND REPAIR
E 220-47000-401	Repair Buildings	$509.20	18-105	ROOF REPAIRS
Total	**ROYAL ROOFING INC**	$631.77		
Paid Chk# 043540	6/7/2018 **SHAMROCK GROUP, INC.**			
E 609-00000-257	Ice For Resale	$377.88	2232261	
E 609-00000-257	Ice For Resale	$80.12	2234823	
Total	**SHAMROCK GROUP, INC.**	$458.00		
Paid Chk# 043541	6/7/2018 **SOUTHERN GLAZERS OF MN**			
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	($23.00)	0040347	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$929.23	1680903	
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$1,585.23	1683447	
E 609-00000-254	Miscellaneous Purchase	$30.28	1683448	
E 609-00000-251	Liquor Purchase	$6,741.95	1683449	
Total	**SOUTHERN GLAZERS OF MN**	$9,263.69		
Paid Chk# 043542	6/7/2018 **SPRINT**			
E 101-43100-321	Telephone	$42.40	495076029-18	MAY-JUNE 2018
E 101-45200-321	Telephone	$42.40	495076029-18	MAY-JUNE 2018
E 651-00000-321	Telephone	$21.20	495076029-18	MAY-JUNE 2018
E 730-00000-321	Telephone	$53.00	495076029-18	MAY-JUNE 2018
E 770-00000-321	Telephone	$53.01	495076029-18	MAY-JUNE 2018
Total	**SPRINT**	$212.01		
Paid Chk# 043543	6/7/2018 **ST CLOUD REFRIGERATION**			
E 609-00000-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment	$149.84	J002747	COOLER REPAIRS
Total	**ST CLOUD REFRIGERATION**	$149.84		
Paid Chk# 043544	6/7/2018 **ST. PAUL S FLAT EARTH**			
E 609-00000-252	Beer Purchase	$126.00	22763	
Total	**ST. PAUL S FLAT EARTH**	$126.00		
Paid Chk# 043545	6/7/2018 **TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS**			
E 310-41500-570	Office Equip and Furnishings	$8,166.00	1966631	CITY HALL COPIER
Total	**TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS**	$8,166.00		
Paid Chk# 043546	6/7/2018 **TWIST OFFICE PRODUCTS**			
E 101-41500-200	Office Supplies	$185.04	837374-0	OFFICE SUPPLIES
E 101-41500-200	Office Supplies	$36.31	838206-0	OFFICE SUPPLIES
Total	**TWIST OFFICE PRODUCTS**	$221.35		
Paid Chk# 043547	6/7/2018 **ULTIMATE SAFETY CONCEPTS INC.**			
E 101-42260-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment	$598.11	176896	EQUIPMENT - FIRE DEPT
Total	**ULTIMATE SAFETY CONCEPTS INC.**	$598.11		
Paid Chk# 043548	6/7/2018 **WALTERS RUBBISH INC**			
E 101-41500-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$63.81	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE
E 101-43100-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$34.85	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE

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E 101-45200-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$34.85	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE
E 651-00000-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$10.49	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE
E 730-00000-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$47.05	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE
E 770-00000-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$47.05	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE
E 220-46000-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$454.95	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE
E 609-00000-384	Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$93.20	0003112814	MAY 2018 SERVICE
	Total WALTERS RUBBISH INC	$786.25		
Paid Chk# 043549	6/7/2018 **WINE COMPANY**			
E 609-00000-253	Wine Purchase	$863.55	71836	
	Total WINE COMPANY	$863.55		
	10100 4M FUND	$231,471.49		

Fund Summary

10100 4M FUND	
101 GENERAL FUND	$71,713.57
220 LOVELL BUILDING	$1,757.65
310 CAPITAL PROJECTS	$9,136.90
417 17 STREET IMPROVEMENTS	$2,220.90
599 POLICE BUILDING	$4,829.27
609 MUNICIPAL LIQUOR FUND	$117,860.78
651 STORM WATER FUND	$3,025.94
730 WATER FUND	$14,989.65
770 SEWER FUND	$5,936.83
	$231,471.49

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10100 4M FUND					
Paid Chk# 002303E	5/15/2018	**FLEET FARM**			
E 730-00000-210	Operating Supplies		$13.08	1410	SUPPLIES - PW
		Total FLEET FARM	$13.08		
Paid Chk# 002304E	5/15/2018	**WALMART**			
E 101-43100-240	Small Tools and Minor Equip		$20.23		CHARGER
E 609-00000-430	Miscellaneous		$21.39		
		Total WALMART	$41.62		
Paid Chk# 002305E	5/15/2018	**WALGREENS**			
E 609-00000-210	Operating Supplies		$8.56		CLEANING SUPPLIES
		Total WALGREENS	$8.56		
Paid Chk# 002306E	5/15/2018	**DOLLAR TREE STORES**			
E 609-00000-210	Operating Supplies		$3.21		CLEANING SUPPLIES
		Total DOLLAR TREE STORES	$3.21		
Paid Chk# 002307E	5/15/2018	**ATHLETIC OUTFITTERS**			
E 609-00000-213	Uniforms		$59.70	55764	UNIFORMS - MLS
		Total ATHLETIC OUTFITTERS	$59.70		
Paid Chk# 002308E	5/15/2018	**AMAZON**			
E 101-41500-200	Office Supplies		$82.14	0277841	OFFICE SUPPLIES
E 609-00000-200	Office Supplies		$276.90	1178631	OFFICE SUPPLIES
E 101-42260-400	General Maintenance		$29.08	1925820	CLEANING SUPPLIES - FIRE DEPT
E 101-41500-400	General Maintenance		$39.31	2109054	CITY HALL SUPPLIES
E 101-43100-240	Small Tools and Minor Equip		$138.98	2109054	MONITOR - PW
E 101-43100-400	General Maintenance		$26.99	2109054	REPAIR SUPPLIES - PW
E 101-41500-200	Office Supplies		$11.99	3305836	OFFICE SUPPLIES
E 101-45200-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment		$13.12	3305836	REPAIR SUPPLIES - PARKS
E 101-41500-200	Office Supplies		$21.15	44006667	OFFICE SUPPLIES
E 101-42260-200	Office Supplies		$32.73	8855457	OFFICE SUPPLIES - FIRE DEPT
E 101-42260-400	General Maintenance		$90.23	9333060	CLEANING SUPPLIES - FIRE DEPT
E 101-42260-218	Medical/First Aid Supplies		$63.00	9757034	EMS SUPPLIES - FIRE DEPT
		Total AMAZON	$825.62		
Paid Chk# 002309E	5/15/2018	**RADCO**			
E 101-42260-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment		($32.27)		SALES TAX ADJUSTMENT
E 101-42260-404	Repair Machinery/Equipment		$485.17	BLN-51567	SEAT COVERS - NEW VEHICLE
		Total RADCO	$452.90		
Paid Chk# 002310E	5/15/2018	**FACEBOOK**			
E 101-41500-300	Professional Srvs		$26.33		WEB PAGE SUPPORT
		Total FACEBOOK	$26.33		
Paid Chk# 002311E	5/15/2018	**CROWN TROPHY**			
E 101-41500-430	Miscellaneous		$17.00	22596	NAME PLATE
E 101-41500-430	Miscellaneous		$54.41	22617	PLAQUE
		Total CROWN TROPHY	$71.41		
		10100 4M FUND	$1,502.43		

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10100 4M FUND	
101 GENERAL FUND	$1,119.59
609 MUNICIPAL LIQUOR FUND	$369.76
730 WATER FUND	$13.08
	$1,502.43

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GL Period	Check Issue Date	Ck No	Payee	Description	Check Amount
05/18	05/18/2018	11974	AMAZON	12 TIRES	2,164.65
05/18	05/18/2018	11975	ASPEN MILLS, INC	RESERVE NAMETAGS/HAT DS	427.90
05/18	05/18/2018	11976	CENTENNIAL UTILITIES	APRIL UTILITIES	622.97
05/18	05/18/2018	11977	CENTURY LINK	COMMUNICATIONS MAY	117.14
05/18	05/18/2018	11978	CONNEXUS ENERGY	ELECTRIC APRIL	1,616.44
05/18	05/18/2018	11979	CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS	PHONES MAY	371.49
05/18	05/18/2018	11980	DELL MARKETING L.P.	POWEREDGE R230 SERVER	3,997.73
05/18	05/18/2018	11981	DEARBORN NATIONAL	JUNE LIFE/DISABILITY KC/JR ADJ	1,232.20
05/18	05/18/2018	11982	DELTA DENTAL	JUNE DENTAL	1,128.00
05/18	05/18/2018	11983	DON'S CIRCLE SERVICE, INC	VEHICLE REPAIRS & MTC	205.00
05/18	05/18/2018	11984	EMERGENCY AUTO TECH ,INC	FORD SUV REPL SIREN SWITCH	110.20
05/18	05/18/2018	11985	HEALTH PARTNERS	JUNE HEALTH INS	10,742.57
05/18	05/18/2018	11986	HOLIDAY STATIONSTORES, LLC	APRIL FUEL	2,616.56
05/18	05/18/2018	11987	KATHY HONKOMP	FRAMES	17.60
05/18	05/18/2018	11988	LEAGUE OF MN CITIES INS TRUST W	WORK COMP ADJ 4/17-4/2018	1,236.00
05/18	05/18/2018	11989	LOFFLER COMPANIES	TONER	120.00
05/18	05/18/2018	11990	MMKR INC	FINAL BILLING 2018 AUDIT	1,835.00
05/18	05/18/2018	11991	METRO SALES, INC	COPIER CONTRACT USAGE CHG	164.24
05/18	05/18/2018	11992	MIDWAY FORD INC	2018 FORD INTERCEPTOR UTILITY A	26,984.58
05/18	05/18/2018	11993	NEAL A. NOREN	APRIL BLDG MTC HOURS	90.00
05/18	05/18/2018	11994	NAC	BLDG HEATER/CHANGED COMPRES	419.50
05/18	05/18/2018	11995	OFFICE OF MN IT SERVICES	APRIL WAN SERVICES	57.20
05/18	05/18/2018	11996	OPTUM	MONTHLY SERVICE FEE APRIL	22.50
05/18	05/18/2018	11997	PITNEY BOWES, INC	POSTAGE METER INK	56.52
05/18	05/18/2018	11998	QUILL CORPORATION	COPY PAPER/MISC	332.58
05/18	05/18/2018	11999	SHRED-N-GO, INC	APRIL SHREDDING SERVICE	48.83
05/18	05/18/2018	12000	SIRCHIE	EVIDENCE TAPE/COLLECTION TUBES	134.55
05/18	05/18/2018	12001	TRANSUNION RISK & ALTERNATIVE	INVESTIGATION EXPENSES APRIL	25.00
05/18	05/18/2018	12002	U.S. HEALTH WORKS MEDICAL	PRE-EMP PHYSICAL BG	498.00
05/18	05/18/2018	12003	VERIZON WIRELESS	INTERNET ACCESS LAPTOPS	1,082.23
Grand Totals:					58,477.18

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BUSINESS LICENSE - COUNCIL APPROVAL - JUNE 7, 2018

NAME OF BUSINESS	BUSINESS ADDRESS	CITY	ST.	ZIP	DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS
Lexington Liquor	9271Lake Drive	Lexington	MN	55014	Liquor Sales
A+ Towing	9010 Lake Drive	Lexington	MN	55014	Towing & Storage
Lake Drive Chiropractic	8820 N Highway Drive	Lexington	MN	55014	Chiropractic Services
James M Cook Autobody & Repair, Inc.	9073 South Service Drive	Lexington	MN	55014	Autobody & Mechanical
State Farm Insurance	9200 Lake Drive	Lexington	MN	55014	Insurance Agency

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Phone (763) 784-2792 Fax (763) 785-8951

APPLICATION FOR: 2. Annual Entertainment License $ 200.00
____ Single Use Special Event Permit $ 300.00

The Council shall act upon all entertainment license applications at a regular meeting within sixty (60) days of the completed application and fee being received by City staff. Inaction by the Council within this period is a denial of the application.

No entertainment license is valid until approved by the Council and the appropriate fees are paid to the City.

Licenses are valid only for the date(s) specified on the license. Annual licenses are valid from July 1st through June 30th of the following year, or pro rata from the date granted through June 30th.

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1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Attach a written approval from the organization(s) in whose name the event will be advertised which authorizes you, the applicant, to apply for this special event permit on their behalf.

Applicant's Name: Lawrence Ranallo Title: Owner

Mailing Address: 3801 Restwood Road

Affiliation: Cowboy's Saloon

Day Phone: 763-784-6560 Evening/Cell phone: 651-894-4488

Emergency Phone: 651-894-4488

Email Address: Mooseman358@yahoo.com

Is applicant 18 years of age or older Yes X No ____

Who is the primary person in charge and/or responsible for this event? Heidi 612 408-0242

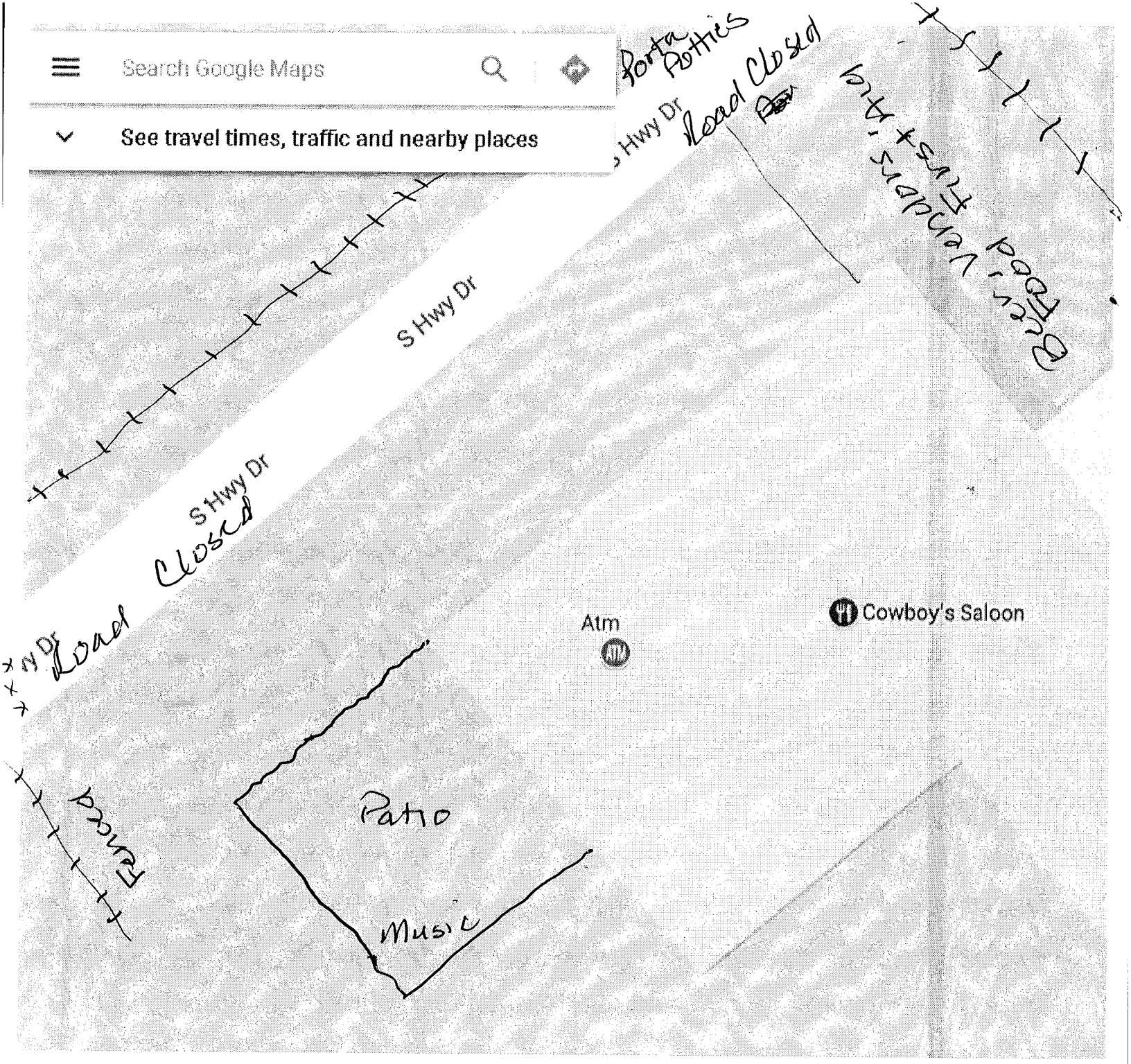
Name: SAME as ABOVE Title: ____

Mailing Address: ____

Day Phone: ____ Evening/Cell phone: ____

Emergency Phone: ____

Email Address: ____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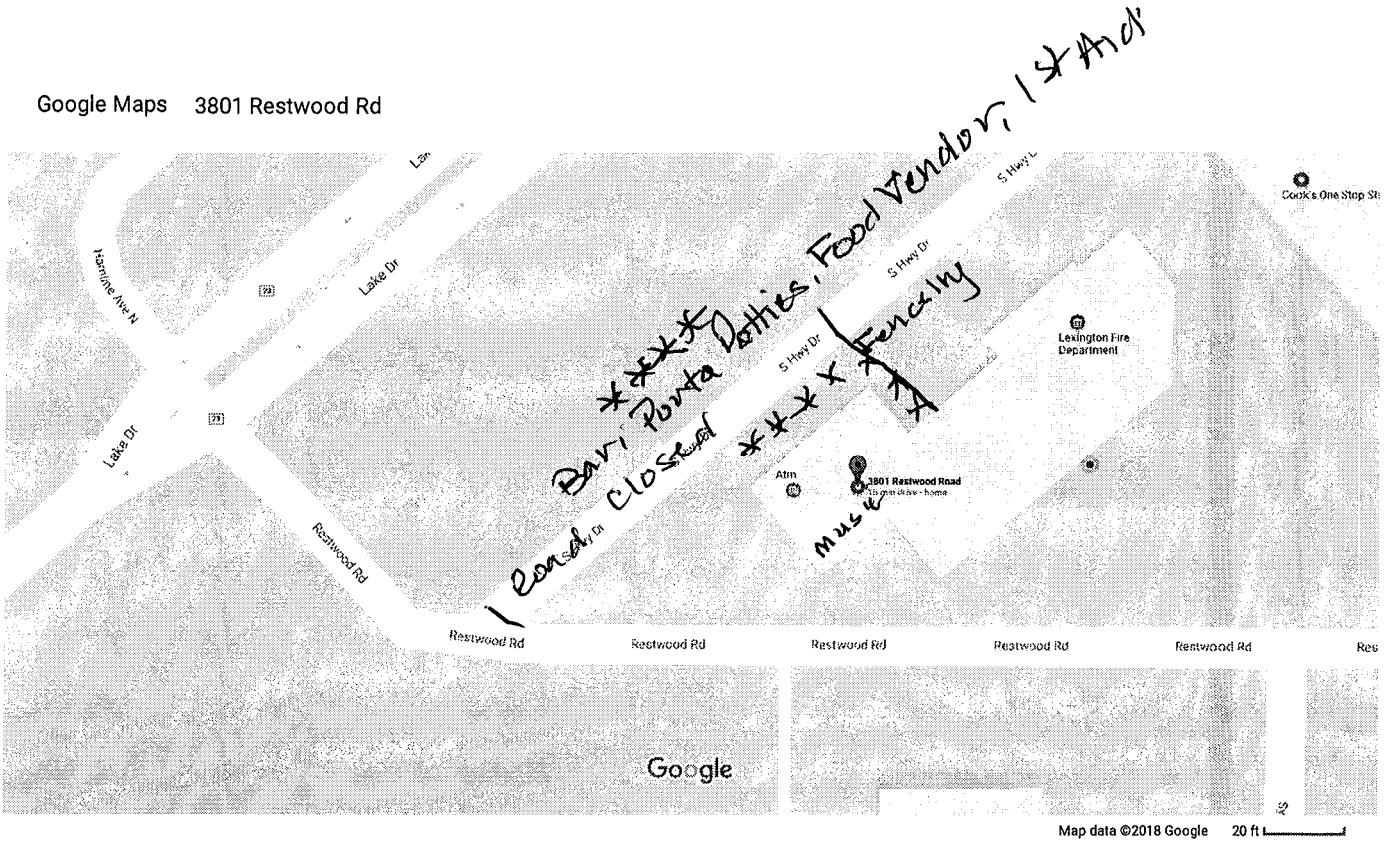

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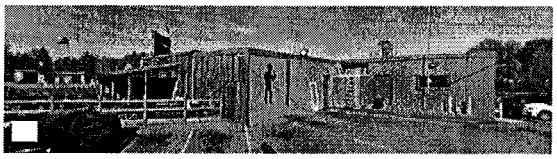

At this location

ATM Network, Inc.
ATM · 3801 Restwood Rd

Cowboy's Saloon
4.0 (264)
Gastropub · 3801 Restwood Rd
Tavern with pool & a Western theme
Open until 2:00 AM

2. TITLE, PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF EVENT:

1st Annual Motorcycle Round Up and Pig Roast

3. EVENT PRINCIPALS

Submit a list of principals involved in the proposed special event, including professional organizers, promoters, financial underwriters, commercial sponsors, charitable agencies for whose benefit the event is being produced or advertised, etc. Attach additional pages if necessary to include all of the principals involved.

Name: Cowboy's Saloon Larry Ranallo Title: Owner

Organization / Business / Agency / Affiliation:

Name: Chop Shop Customs Title: Owner

Organization / Business / Agency / Affiliation: X treme Custom Apparel

Name: Tina + Alex Beckerleg Title:

Organization / Business / Agency / Affiliation: Centennial Sports Boosters

Name: ~~Tim~~ Title:

Organization / Business / Agency / Affiliation:

4. EVENT COMPONENTS

Date requested: Sat. June 16, 2018 Alternate date:

Requested hours of operation: from: 1:00 AM/PM to: 7:00 AM/PM

Set-up beginning date and time: 12noon - 1:00pm

Complete dismantle date and time: 6/16 7pm

(Attach a draft of any entry forms for participants and/or spectators.)

Anticipated number of participants: 50 Spectators: 100

Will any city streets require temporary closure or restrictions? Yes X No

Identify streets and times/dates of closure or restrictions: Restwood Road. end of South Highway Drive to Fire Dept. Closure of South Highway Drive. From Restwood to end of the Saloon property.

5. LOCATION AND MAP

Please attach a map or plans for your event layout. At minimum, the following items should be included. Check off items below that pertain to your event and indicate them on the event map. Please use a "to-scale" drawing.

A) _____ If a route is involved, mark the beginning and finishing area with arrows and places where any motorized vehicles need to be considered.

B) X Size and location of any tables, tents, structures and enclosures,

C) _____ Entertainment or stage locations

D) X Alcoholic beverage concession area

E) X Non-alcoholic beverage concession area

F) X Food concession area (cooking, serving and consumption areas)

G) X General merchandise concession areas

H) X Portable toilet facilities

I) X First-aid facilities

J) X Event participant and/or spectator parking areas

K) X Event organizer's command post

L) _____ Fireworks or pyrotechnics site

M) _____ Vehicle fuel handling site

N) X Fencing or others method for securing event area

O) _____ Site of electrical wiring to be installed for the event

P) X Trash receptacles

Q) X Electrical sources to be used for cooking

R) _____ Temporary structures constructed for the event

S) _____ Other – Please describe: _____

_____

6. FOOD, BEVERAGES AND ENTERTAINMENT

Will food and/or non-alcoholic beverages be served? Yes X No _____

If yes, describe sanitation measures, food handling procedures and the nature of the food (such as pre-packaged foods, hot dogs, pre-mixed soda, raw meats, fish, vegetables, unpeeled fruit or peeled and cut fruit): We will have a permit by Anoka Cty. Grill for cooking coolers/refrigeration in Restaurant

Describe any plans you have for cooking food in the event area including fuel or electrical source to be used: Grill to cook pork.

if you intend to serve food you will need a permit from the Anoka County Department of Environmental Health. Please attach a copy of the permit to this application.

Will alcoholic beverages be served? Yes X No_____

If yes, describe what method will be used to ensure that alcoholic beverages will be consumed only by persons 21 years of age and older: IDs will be checked, patron wrist band. 21 & over will be required
Snow fence barriers for alcoholic bev. area

Describe how, where, when and by whom the alcoholic beverages will be served: Inside bar + inside fenced area exterior premises 1-7pm within snow fencing area.

If a casino party, a dance, or live entertainment is part of your event, please describe: 3-5pm Acoustic jam on patio
Band inside Cowboys evening after awards

Please describe all of the activities of your event for which a license is required, for example: a cabaret license, etc. Attach all required licenses to this application. Please note that certain licensing may be required by City, County and State agencies, such as a Large Assembly License for gatherings over 1,000 people, some types of food handling licensing, Gambling License, Cabaret License, etc. It is your responsibility to

check with the City Clerk or local authorities to determine what licensing is required prior to submitting this application.

Describe entertainment plans and intended hours: Bike show 2pm - 5pm 3-5pm Music on patio, 7or9pm Band inside Cowboys Saloon

If there will be music, sound amplification or any other noise impact, please describe, including the intended hours of the music, sound or noise: Normal patio music, May use amplifier + microphone for awards ~~at~~ from 5-6pm exterior area within fencing

7. VENDORS OR CONCESSIONAIRES

Describe what vendors or concessionaires you will allow in conjunction with the event and the purpose of these concessions: Cowboy's Saloon Only for food Beverage.
Chop Shop Customs; Xtreme Apparel vendors

Describe how you intend to regulate, monitor and control the type, number and quality of vendors/concessionaires whom you may permit to operate in conjunction with the event: N/A

8. SECURITY AND SAFETY PROCEDURES

Describe your proposed procedures for set-up, operation, internal security and crowd control: Numerous Security guards will be on staff. 2-3 ID/Check; 2 crowd control; 1 for money & food/Beer transfer to Cowboys office

If the event is to occur at night, describe how you are going to light the event area in order to increase the safety of participants and spectators coming to and leaving the event: N/A

Describe plans to provide first aid, if needed: First Aid Kit will be on site

Give the name, address and phone numbers of the agency or agencies which will provide first aid staff and equipment if required. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Name of agency: _____

Name of Representative: _____

Address: _____

Day phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

Indicate medical services (if required) that will be provided for this event: _____

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Attach to this application a copy of your building permit(s) if you are installing any electrical wiring on temporary or permanent basis and/or if you are building any temporary or permanent structures such as bleachers, scaffolding, a grandstand, stages or platforms.

Attach a copy of your fire department permit or inspection report to this application if you will use parade floats; an open flame; fireworks or pyrotechnics; vehicle fuel; cooking facilities; enclosures (and tables within those closures); tents, air supported structures, canopies, or fabric shelters.

Attach a copy of a proposed site security plan and a proposed parking plan

9. SANITATION PLAN

Describe your plan for clean-up and material preservation. Include number, type and location of portable toilets or permanent toilets, and trash and recycling containers to be provided for the event. Indicate who will be responsible for clean-up activities during and after the event: 2 porta potties on site day of 5 Huge garbage cans Cowboys Saloon Staff will maintain, and remove @ close of event.

10. CITY SERVICES/EQUIPMENT

Describe City services and/or equipment requested for this event. City barricades,

cones, signs and other equipment may be borrowed on an as-available basis. You should make advance arrangements to pick up and return this equipment. If you or any volunteers cannot pick up and return this equipment, please attach a letter requesting these services and explaining why your organization cannot perform them. This will be reviewed, then approved or denied by the public works foreman.

City barricades; safety cones please.

11. FEE STRUCTURE / EVENT CHARGES

If there is a fee or donation required as a condition of attendance or participation of this event, please describe the amounts to be collected from various categories of participants or spectators: $25.00 entry fee for bikes
$5.00 or perishable food item from spectators.

If a donation is requested on a purely voluntary basis, describe how you intend to inform participants/spectators or others that they may participate in the event whether they make a donation or not: _____

12. OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION

Please list below any other miscellaneous information you feel would be important and have a bearing on the approval of this Special Event Permit request: _____

13. INSURANCE

You must provide proof of insurance coverage for your event. Attach to this application a certificate of insurance including the policy number, amount and the provision that the City of Lexington is included as an additional insured. (Please note – insurance requirements depend upon the risk level of the event. Also, if your event can be classified as first amendment expressive activity, insurance requirements can be waived under certain circumstances.)

on file with City of Lexington.

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CITY COUNCIL - APPROVAL:_____ DENIAL: _____

BY: _____ DATE: _____

COMMENTS: _____

POLICE DEPT. - APPROVAL: _____ DENIAL: _____

BY: _____ DATE: _____

COMMENTS: _____

FIRE DEPT. - APPROVAL: _____ DENIAL: _____

BY: _____ DATE: _____

COMMENTS: _____

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kurt Glaser, City Attorney

CC: Bill Petracek, City Administrator

DATE: June 1, 2018

RE: New contracts proposed by US Solar

QUESTION FOR THE COUNCIL: Whether to ratify six new contracts and related documents in order to receive solar power from US Solar.

SUMMARY: Staff and the City Attorney has reservations about signing new contracts proposed by US Solar in order to receive the solar electricity contemplated by the original agreement. The topic for Council discussion is whether to continue modifying the contractual relationship with US Solar in order to get the original deal.

FACTS:

2017, the City entered into a contract with US Solar. Key Points:

- The contract contemplated the City would receive solar power at a given price for 25-years.
- The US Solar representative sold this concept stating that power would come from a single new field to be constructed at some point in the near future.
- The contract contained a provision whereby US Solar could assign some of their rights under that contract as may be necessary so long as they "do not alter the fundamental economic terms" of the contract.
- In order to leave the contact during its 25-year period, the City would need to find another party to replace the City and buy its allotment of power from US Solar.
- The City Attorney knew that US Solar organized each solar field as its own business entity.

2018, US Solar now asks the City to enter into six new contracts and related documents. Key Points:

- US Solar wants to split the City's power source between six solar fields. US Solar referees to this as "Bifurcating" their original contract.
- These six contracts means the City is signing a separate contract with six different limited liability corporations.
- The benefit of buying power from six different fields that redundancy ensures a more reliable supply of power.
- The liability of buying power from six different companies occurs if the City desires to leave the contract during its 25-year lifespan. Due to this change, in order to leave the contact during its

25-year period, the City would need to find another party (or parties) to replace the City and buy its allotment of power from all six limited liability companies.

- The new contracts state that Xcel is offering US Solar a larger credit for the power it supplies to Xcel. US Solar did not pass this change along to the City. The fact that credits can change over time was contemplated by the 2017 contract.

DISCUSSION POINTS:

- By asking the City to sign contracts with six new limited liability companies, US Solar does "alter the fundamental economic terms" of the 2017 contract. The City can refuse to sign these six new contacts.
- This request to sign six contracts constitutes a material counteroffer to the original contract under which the City could, theoretically, leave the original agreement.
- Attempting to leave any contract always has some risk for potential litigation.

CITY OF LEXINGTON
COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION No. 18-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LEXINGTON, MINNESOTA, AFFIRMING

WHEREAS, in October 2016, the sewer infrastructure at 3872 Oak Lane in Lexington failed, and that failure caused downstream silt buildup in the sewer system that constituted an emergency;

WHEREAS, the City expended resources and employed contractors to repair that failure and assessed those costs against the property at 3872 Oak Lane. The City assessed $21,296.32 against the property for those repair costs; and

WHEREAS, the property owners instituted an insurance claim to pay for the assessed repair costs. In order to resolve that claim they and their insurer seek assurances that they have made full and final payment of the repair costs from the October 2016 sewer failure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON, MINNESOTA,

The City's assessment in the amount of $21,296.32 against 3872 Oak Lane is full and final payment for the City's costs stemming from the sewer failure occurring in October 2016.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 7th day of June 2018 by the City Council of the City of Lexington.

_____
Mark Kurth, Mayor

Attest:

_____
Bill Petracek, City Administrator