



PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN



Parks & Community Services Department

2014

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RESOLUTION NUMBER _____

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN, OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL PRIORITIES AND INDOOR RECREATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR THE CITY OF EULESS, TEXAS, IN 2014

WHEREAS the City of Euleless City Council formally began Park planning in 1976 for the purpose of providing parks, recreational and open space desired by the citizens of Euleless, Texas, based on the tax base; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan is to delineate, identify and prioritize outdoor recreational, open space and natural resources opportunities and indoor recreational opportunities for the citizens of Euleless, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Parks, Recreational and Open Space Master Plan conforms to the desires of the Citizens of Euleless, Texas, and the Park, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan Guidelines of the Texas Recreation and Parks Account; and

WHEREAS, the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan for the City of Euleless, Texas, contains the following: (1) Introduction; (2) Goals and Objectives; (3) Plan Development Process; (4) Area and Facility Concepts and Standards; (5) Inventory of Areas and Facilities; (6) Needs Assessment and Identification; (7) Plan Implementation and Prioritization of Needs; and (8) other elements such as the Executive Summary, Tables, Maps and the Appendix; and

WHEREAS, the citizens, staff and consultants have prepared after considerable consideration and study the contents of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan document; and

WHEREAS, the Parks & Leisure Services Board has been involved with the preparation of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan and recommends its adoption as a guide for existing and future citizens of the City of Euleless, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Euleless, Texas, having taken into consideration the desires of the citizens of Euleless and the in-depth study conducted by the staff and consultants are appropriate and reasonable.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EULESS, TEXAS:

Section I.

That the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan for the City of Euless, Texas, is hereby officially adopted, as enumerated on Exhibit 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all intents and purposes.

Section II.

Adoption of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan shall not commit the City of Euless, Texas, to specific amounts of funding levels or implementation strategies, but shall provide guidance to the City Council for future consideration of indoor and outdoor recreational services for its citizens.

PRESENTED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE _____ day of _____, _____, by a vote of _____ ayes, _____ nays and _____ abstentions at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Euless, Texas.

APPROVED:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mary Lib Saleh, Mayor

Wayne Olson, City Attorney

ATTEST:

Kim Sutter, TRMC, City Secretary

RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDING THE PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN, OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL PRIORITIES AND INDOOR RECREATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR THE CITY OF EULESS, TEXAS, IN 2014.

WHEREAS, the duties and responsibilities of the Parks and Leisure Services Board shall be to act as an advisory body to the City Council of the City of Euless, Texas, Tarrant County; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Leisure Services Board has heard the comments of citizens, has been briefed by the staff and the consultants for the purpose of providing information and opinions; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Leisure Services Board has held a public meeting for the purpose of receiving information and comments; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Leisure Services Board has taken into consideration the desires of the citizens of Euless and the in-depth study conducted by the staff and consultants to be appropriate and reasonable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RECOMMENDED BY THE PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES BOARD OF THE CITY OF EULESS, TEXAS:

Section I.

That the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan for the City of Euless, Texas, be recommended to the City Council of the City of Euless, as enumerated on Exhibit 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all intents and purposes.

PRESENTED AND APPROVED on this the _____ day of _____, _____, by a vote of _____ ayes, _____ nays and _____ abstentions at a regular meeting of the Parks and Leisure Services Board of the City of Euless, Texas.

Chairman

Attest

An intelligent plan is the first step to success. Planning is the open road to one's destination. If one doesn't know where he is going, how can he expect to get there?

Authored by Charles Moore in 1844.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Parks & Community Services Mission Statement:

“To Provide and Promote Opportunities That Enhance the Quality of Life for All Euleless Citizens”

INTRODUCTION

The City of Euless is in the very beginning stages of one of the most exciting times in its history. It is rapidly becoming a destination city because of the quality of life it provides its citizens and the hundreds of thousands of annual visitors. Residential and commercial development has reached an all-time high with even more development on the horizon. The future is indeed brighter than ever.

Quality of life is becoming more and more important to people throughout our country and, more specifically, for the over 50,000 residents that call Euless home. Quality of life encompasses many aspects including the ability to find good jobs, the ability to get around the city, the feeling that the city is a safe place to live, and the availability of quality homes and neighborhoods as well as schools and churches.

One of the most important aspects of quality of life is the availability of high quality parks and recreational opportunities in the city. The benefits of parks and recreation influence every aspect of our lives. These benefits allow our citizens to experience new activities, live healthier lifestyles, socialize and interact with others and, most importantly, to strengthen our sense of pride in our community.

Attractive parks and natural areas are often the first place that visitors view in our community. Our parks provide a very visible and constant reminder of the beautiful landscape that our city provides. Our parks are also one of the most visible elements of a city government at work. A good park system lets both the citizens and visitors know that the leadership of the city is interested in the well-being of its citizens.

The parks and recreation system should especially impact our young citizens. The experiences that we can provide for our young citizens will have a direct impact on the intensity with which children become active citizens and contributors to the city in the future.

BACKGROUND

In 1867 Elisha Adam Euless, along with many of his Tennessee neighbors, settled in Northeastern Tarrant County. They established their new homes among farmers who had come earlier with the Peters Colony. Anglo-American settlement had been made possible by the establishment of nearby Bird's Fort and a treaty with local Indians in the 1840's.



Mr. Euless purchased land in 1879 and 1881 in the northwest corner of present North Main Street and West Euless Boulevard, where he farmed. He also constructed a cotton gin and a multipurpose building that housed a school, a church and a Grange Hall. The community that developed at the site came to be known as Euless, although it had several other names at different times. Mr. Euless served two terms as Tarrant County sheriff in the 1890's.



A post office opened in 1886, erroneously named “Enless.” In 1888, Euless became a Tarrant County voting precinct. However, the community declined after 1903, when the Rock Island Railroad bypassed it. The settlement even lost its misnamed post office in 1910.

The community of Euless survived, nevertheless, and in the 1920’s a few new businesses opened, serving local residents, mostly truck and dairy farmers. In the 1930’s, a new highway linking Dallas and Fort Worth passed through Euless. After World War II, Fort Worth built its municipal airport nearby.

Euless grew slowly, and in 1949 the post office reopened. The following year residents incorporated the town, then unincorporated it in 1953 and immediately reincorporated. The city adopted a home-rule charter with a council-manager form of government in 1962, which, with amendments, is still the city’s basic governing document.

The City of Euless is 16.9 square miles and is located 16 miles west of Dallas and 16 miles east of Fort Worth in the northeast corner of Tarrant County within what is identified as North Central Texas. It is served by several major highways, which include State Highway 183 in an east/west alignment and passes through the center of the city, State Highway 360 in a north/south alignment to the east, and State Highway 121 in a north/south alignment to the west. Other major thoroughfares that serve Euless include FM 157 in a north/south alignment as well as State Highway 10 which dissects our city at an angle in an east/west alignment.

The City of Euless lies within the jurisdictional boundaries of both the Hurst-Euless-Bedford Independent School District and the Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School District. Schools located within these jurisdictional boundaries include one (1) high school, two (2) junior high schools and seven (7) elementary schools.

With its dynamic location in the heart of the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex, adjacent to one of the world’s busiest airports, and with a myriad of convenient highways, Euless is positioned for continued growth and excitement.

THE COMMITMENT TO BEAUTIFICATION

The roots of Euless' commitment to beautification run deep. For over fifty years the City of Euless staff and citizens have worked hard to preserve our heritage through beautification efforts. Initially it included garden clubs, neighborhood groups and community volunteer groups working together with the city on tree and bed planting projects in various parks, medians and around city buildings. The City of Euless formally recognized the importance of the beautification efforts in September of 1982 when the City Council adopted a resolution to formalize the efforts as an endeavor to stimulate city pride and recognition with the "Beautify Euless Everyday" (BEE) committee. Spearheaded by volunteers with assistance from the Euless Parks Department, BEE initiated an aggressive beautification campaign. Through the efforts of the BEE Committee, the City of Euless received two first-place "Keep Texas Beautiful" awards in 1983 and 1987. Additionally, the City of Euless received two second and one third place award. Euless quickly earned statewide praise and rapidly became one of the leading cities participating in the campaign. With nearly 300 volunteers annually, Euless has participated in this event every year since 1996.

Euless has also been a proud member of the National Arbor Day Foundation and one of only seven cities in the state with the distinction of being recognized as a 25 year Tree City USA member. The City has also received the Growth Award from the National Arbor Day Foundation for 20 consecutive years, an award which recognizes excellence in the field of tree planting, preservation and continued commitment to beautify our community through the many programs we proudly promote. Some examples include the following:

DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMS

HEB Summer Youth Work Program – A partner program with the Hurst-Euless-Bedford School District where physically and mentally challenged students work during the summer planting and maintaining flower beds, preparing trees to give away at Arbor Daze, potting plants in the City of Euless Parks Department greenhouse and performing other beautification projects as assigned by the Euless Parks Department.

Adopt-A-Park – A cooperative program between the City of Euless and various volunteer groups; neighborhood associations and individuals volunteer six times a year picking up trash and performing various other duties to help beautify our park system.

CITY-WIDE PROGRAMS

Arbor Daze - The Euless Parks and Community Services Department, along with the Euless Tree Board and Euless Parks and Leisure Services Board, founded a special event originally named the "How to Grow Lawn and Garden Show" with the intention of educating the public about the value of tree planting and beautification. The annual event, entering its twenty-fifth year and now called Arbor Daze has garnered national recognition, being recognized as the best Arbor Day celebration in America two times (1994 and 2001) and given the prestigious distinction as being the Official State of Texas Arbor Day Celebration in 1987 and again in 2000. Since its inception, the City of Euless and Arbor Daze has given away over 175,000 trees at the event.

Community Powered Revitalization Program (CPR) - For several years, volunteers from local churches and businesses have come together to help struggling families make repairs to their homes in an effort known as the Euless Revitalization Program. Due to the amazing growth and community support of the ER Program, other cities have now joined forces with these other local entities and the ER program has evolved into the Community Powered Revitalization Program. Now at these events, hundreds of volunteers from the community help revitalize the community over a weekend, twice each year.

Euless Pride - In 2006, the Euless City Council allocated funds to support a program called "Euless Pride." The program, which is under the direction of the City Manager and with staff support, works with a group of citizens to identify specific properties or projects where the City allocates necessary funding and/or resources to promote community pride through enhancement of those properties or projects.

Texas Trash Off - Held each year in April, the City of Euless staff and volunteers cover the city limits picking up trash and debris to help beautify our city as part of a statewide initiative to "Keep Texas Beautiful."

The strong commitment of our Council, citizens and staff to beautify the City of Euless has translated into many programs, events and projects over the years. The following list of awards and accomplishments demonstrates this commitment and highlights those efforts on local, state and international levels.

Texas Festivals and Events Association

Best Environmental Festival - 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004
 Best New Sponsorship Solicitation Package - 1999
 Best Radio Announcement - 1999, 2005
 Best Environmental/Recycling Program - 1997, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2007, 2008
 Best New Sponsorship Idea - 1998, 2008
 Best Newspaper Advertisement - 1998, 2005
 Best New Idea - 1996, 2003
 Best Educational Program - 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010
 Best Volunteer Program - 2004, 2007, 2009, 2010
 Best New Fund-Raising Idea - 2004
 Best Promotional Poster - 2003
 Best Promotional Brochure - 2003, 2007
 Best New Event – 2005
 Best Festival Brochure - 1997, 2003
 Best Company Image Piece - 2005, 2008
 Best Event Photograph - 2006
 Best Event Organizational Newsletter – 2006, 2008, 2009
 Best Event Cover Design – 2007
 Best Children's Program - 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010

Texas Community Forestry Awards:

Governmental Project Award Winner - 2001

International Festivals and Events Association

Best Environmental Program - Silver Award 1997, 2006

Best Educational Program - Silver Award 1997
Best Volunteer Program - Silver Award 2004
Best Street Banner - Bronze Award 2004
Best Organizational Website – 2005
Best Educational Program - 2005
Best Community Outreach Program – 2005
Best Miscellaneous Printed Material – 2005
Best Event Program – 2005
Best Company Image Piece – 2005
Best Sponsor – 2006
Best Event Organizational Newsletter – 2006
Best Children’s Programming - 2006

Texas Recreation & Parks Society

Excellence in Programming - 1996, 2003, 2009
Arts & Humanities Award Class III – 2001
Innovations in Park Development – 2004
Maintenance Award - 2004
Lone Star Programming Award - 2008

International Society of Arboriculture

Gold Leaf Award – Arbor Daze, 1994

National Arbor Day Foundation

The Official State of Texas Arbor Day Celebration - 1987, 2000
Best Arbor Day Celebration in America- 1994, 2001 (Only two-time winner ever awarded)

Texas Amateur Athletic Federation

TAAF Gold Member City Award – 2000
TAAF Silver Member City Award – 2001
TAAF Bronze Member City Award – 2002, 2005

Other Parks & Community Services Awards

DFW Metro Area Directors Association Innovation Award - Facility Design/Construction,
The Preserve at McCormick Park, 2006
Merit Award, Texas Chapter American Society of Landscape Architects –
Parks at Texas Star, 1999
DFW Metro Area Directors Association Innovation Award – Facility Design/Construction, Parks
at Texas Star, 1998
Best New Park Design in Texas - Villages of Bear Creek Park, Texas Forest Service, 1993
Governor’s Community Achievement Award - First Place, Keep Texas Beautiful, 1987
Governor’s Community Achievement Award - First Place, Keep Texas Beautiful, 1983
Cross Timbers Urban Forestry Council Municipal Award for the Famous and Historical
Tree Grove, 2006
DFW Metro Area Directors Association Innovation Award in Programming -
Stars Over Euleless, 2007

COMMUNITY PROFILE

The City of Euless is a well-rounded community which provides a variety of housing types, multi-family, commercial, industrial, quasi-public and public land uses. Additionally, the Planning & Zoning Commission and the City Council have established development standards for State Highway 10 land uses in the zoning ordinance. Vacant land remains available for development of various land-use classifications. A detailed land use analysis is available from the City of Euless Planning and Development Department.

POPULATION

Neighborhood

A prototype residential neighborhood is approximately one square mile (640 acres) and includes 3,000 to 7,000 people. It is often bounded by major thoroughfares or existing physical barriers. Ideally, a neighborhood has an elementary school and a neighborhood park near its center. The service area of a neighborhood is generally within a one-half to two-thirds mile radius of the elementary school/neighborhood park site. The 2010 US Census set the population of the City of Euless at 51,277 person and contains 23,447 households. The City encapsulates 16.9 square miles of area, of which approximately 31% of the City is located within the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and contains no population. Within the remaining approximately 11.6 square miles, Euless has an effective population per square mile of 4,420 and would contain on average, 2,021 households. As residential development continues to grow in the City of Euless, it is important that the decision makers not lose site of the necessity of parks and recreation as it relates to the prototype neighborhood and even to consider adopting a “Park Land” ordinance to preserve and dedicate open space specifically for parks and recreational use.

Household

According to the Census, households have increased from 2000 to 2010 by 22% from 19,218 to 23,447. The City anticipates approximately another 1,500 households could be added to Euless within the next five to ten years. It is important that the Parks & Community Services Department considers these increases and pinpoints the specific areas of household growth within the city as we plan for events and programs for both indoor and outdoor recreation as well as park planning in the future.

Age Population

The demographics of the City of Euless as defined by the U.S. Census in 2010 indicated that 26% of the population was below 19 years of age. The population between 20 and 54 years of age was 56 percent. It is an important fact to remember when planning for future parks and recreation programs and facilities that each population group has a need for different types of recreation. This becomes evident when evaluating examples of park uses with park types. For instance, our senior population primarily uses neighborhood parks such as J.A. Carr Park, Wilshire Park or Heritage Park. Those citizens who make up 26% of our population, or those 19 years of age or younger, will primarily use community and/or major city parks such as Midway Park, Bob Eden Park and The Parks at Texas Star. The largest citizen group, those between 20 and 54 years of age, primarily use community parks such as the Villages of Bear Creek, Bob Eden Park, Trailwood Park and/or Midway Park. Typically, greenbelt or linear parks are used by all three population groups to varying degrees. As the population changes in the City of Euless, planning within the Parks & Community Services Department remains a constant. It remains a high priority that we, as parks and recreation professionals, keep focused on serving all age groups and providing exceptional parks and recreational experiences for the citizens of Euless.

This document uses a 51,277 population for the City of Euless. This population was prepared by the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Table 1, “Demographic Characteristics and Population” indicates this information.

**TABLE 1
DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS AND POPULATION**

Demographic Characteristics & Population	Number		Percent
	2006	2010	
Under 5 years	3,915	4,265	8.3
5 to 9 years	3,650	4,316	8.4
10 to 14 years	3,544	3,939	7.6
15 to 19 years	3,280	1,969	3.8
20 to 24 years	3,967	3,586	7.0
25 to 34 years	10,844	4,814 (25-29)	9.4
		4,302 (30-34)	8.4
35 to 44 years	10,157	4,125 (35-39)	8.0
		4,070 (40-44)	7.9
45 to 54 years	6,612	4,120 (45-49)	8.0
		3,737 (50-54)	7.3
55 to 59 years	2,222	2,847	5.5
60 to 64 years	1,640	2,325	4.5
65 to 74 years	2,010	1,493 (65-69)	2.9
		1,051 (70-74)	2.0
75 to 84 years	794	711 (75-79)	1.4
		405 (80-84)	0.8
85 + years	265	268	0.5

White *	33,833	66
Black	5,497	10.7
American Indian/Alaska	330	0.6
Asian	5,301	10.3
Hawaiian/Pacific	1,101	2.1
Hispanic/Latino *	9,719	19.0

Median Age 2006 – 33.70 and 2010 – 34.4
 Average Household Size 2.38
 Average Family Size 3.07

* A portion of this population is two or more races

A total population of 51,277 is used as the existing population for this document dated 2013. A population of 55,334 is used for 2017 (or a 10-year park plan). A population of 51,277 will be used to develop the existing standards.

Table 2, “Population from 2000 Through Build-Out” indicates this information.

**TABLE 2
POPULATION FROM 2000 THROUGH BUILD-OUT**

Year	Population	Source
July 1, 2000	46,202	2000 U.S. Census
2005	50,786	Parks Master Plan – 2002
2010	51,910	2006 Demographic Update
2012	51,277	*2010 U.S. Census
2015	54,444	**
2020	56,671	**
2030	62,314	**

* North Central Texas Council of Governments estimate adjusted from 2010 U.S. Census

** Straight line projections from the demographics and data section of the 2011 Euless Development Report.

PURPOSE OF DOCUMENT

The purpose of the “Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan” is to provide a guide or direction for the Euless City Council and the Parks & Leisure Services Board relative to outdoor recreation, indoor recreation and open space for the existing and future citizens of the City of Euless, Texas. This document in no way commits existing or future City Councils to funding or appropriation of funds to be used for parks, recreation and open space.

The following are examples of specific purposes of this document:

1. Prepare a guide for the Euless City Council when making decisions relative to parks, recreation and open space.
2. Prepare a guide for the Parks and Leisure Services Board when making decisions relative to: (1) parks, recreation and open space; and (2) recommendations transmitted to the Euless City Council.
3. Prepare a guide that encourages the proper use of local and non-local financial resources.
4. Prepare a guide for the orderly acquisition and development of parks, recreation and open space.
5. Prepare a master park plan which includes the elements adopted by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.
6. Prepare a guide for the revitalization of parks, recreation and open space.
7. Prepare a guide for the preservation of the environment by the public sector and/or the private sector.
8. Prepare a guide for the City of Euless development which attracts those who do not reside in the city.
9. Prepare a guide which encourages and promotes economic development in the City of Euless.

PERIOD OF DOCUMENT

This document “Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan” was originally prepared during the year of 2007 and revised in 2014. The period of this document is from 2007 through 2017, or a ten-year period. Population for the City of Euless was projected for the years 2007 through 2017. The year 2007 is considered the existing year of this document. The recommendation of the Parks and Leisure Services Board and adoption of this revised document by the Euless City Council occurred during 2014. This plan was prepared so as to conform to the goals of the City of Euless as well as those of the Texas Recreation and Parks Account.

It is anticipated that this document will be updated annually by the City Council of Euless. The update will include, among other things, what happened the previous year.

In order to comply with existing guidelines of the Texas Recreation and Parks Account, this plan must be updated every two years. At a minimum, updates will include a summary of accomplishments, current public input, most recent inventory, dated needs, priorities and an implementation plan. Other information should be updated if it is available.

The scientific survey prepared by Raymond Turco & Associates represented the opinions of persons residing in the City of Euless. These opinions were incorporated into the document and significantly impacted its contents. The firm of DFL Group, LLC assisted the staff in the preparation of the document. The Euless City Council and the Parks and Leisure Services Board heard presentations from the citizens, staff and consultants.

PLAN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

PREPARATION OF THE PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN

Ray McDonald is the Director of Parks & Community Services Department and prepared this document “Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan.” Assistance was derived from staff members including (1) Suzanne Hendrickson, Recreation Manager; (2) Randy Smith, Manager of Parks; (3) Jordan Peterson, Parks & Community Services Administrative Secretary, and (4) Jeff Towne, Graphic Artist. Additional assistance was received from Mike Collins, Director of Planning and Development, and Stephen Cook, Senior Planner.

Hershel Lindly of the DFL Group, LLC was commissioned to help prepare the original document. John Fain, Elaine Dill and Jason Hodges of the DFL Group, LLC also contributed in the preparation of the original document.

Hershel Lindly was previously employed by the firm of Schrickel, Rollins & Associates. This firm has been involved with parks, recreation and open space planning and design in the City of Euless since the 1970’s. Some of the park planning activities in which the firm of Schrickel, Rollins & Associates were involved include the preparation of the Park Plan for the City of Euless in 1976, preparation of some of the applications for grants from the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, Little Bear Creek corridor and flood plain between SH 121 and Fuller-Wiser Road, Villages of Bear Creek Park, Texas Star Golf Course and the Parks at Texas Star.

Raymond Turco of Raymond Turco & Associates was commissioned to prepare and conduct a scientific survey of the citizens of Euless related to parks and recreational issues in the community. This scientific survey was based on phone comments from a full sample of 400 randomly selected participants. A copy of this scientific survey is contained in the Appendix.



TIME PERIOD OF DOCUMENT PREPARATION

The first action taken was the preparation of the scientific survey by Raymond Turco in December 2006. In the spring of 2008 the Parks and Leisure Services Board recommended that the original document be adopted by the City Council of the City of Euless. After the recommendation was received by the City Council of the City of Euless, it was adopted by resolution. The document was then submitted to the Recreation Grants Branch of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department for comment and approval.

The time period of preparation of this revised document, “Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan,” began in 2011 and extended through the spring of 2014.

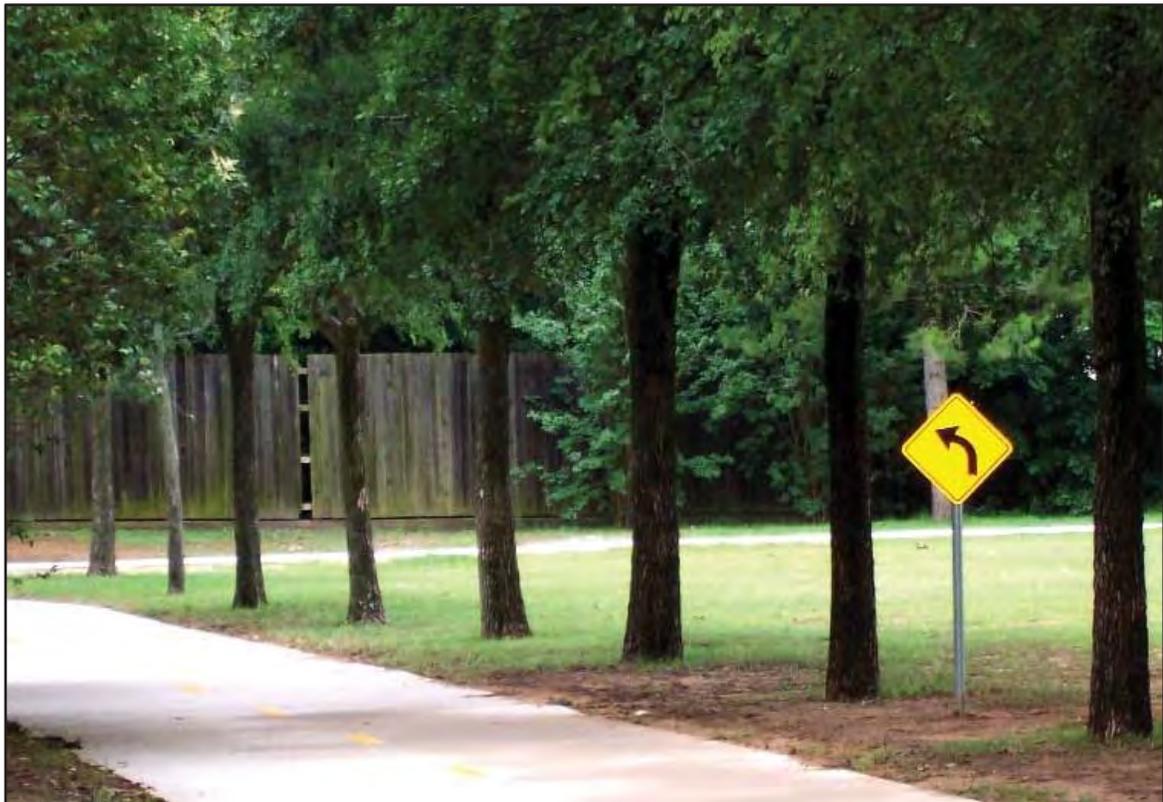
PLANNING COMMUNITIES UTILIZED

Elected Officials

The City Council of the City of Euless at a regular meeting passed and adopted a resolution adopting this document, “Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan.”

Appointed Officials

The Parks and Leisure Services Board at workshops and at regular meetings studied this document, “Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan,” and recommended to the City Council of the City of Euless that this document be adopted by resolution.



PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING

The City of Euless has for many years recognized the importance of planning for parks, recreation and open space. This formally began in 1976 with the preparation of the city's first park plan. The following identifies and describes each of the formal park plans prepared.

Park Plan for the City of Euless - 1976

The City of Euless prepared and published the first park plan under the direction of the City Council and the Park and Recreation Board in May 1976. The city manager was W.M. Sustaire and the Director of Parks & Recreation was Frank Lindsey. This plan established the basis for the acquisition and development of land and facilities. This plan contained the following elements: (1) goals and objectives; (2) comprehensive planning elements; (3) park and recreation standards; (4) proposed parks and recreation facilities; (5) beautification; and (6) acquisition and development priorities. This plan pinpointed the Villages of Bear Creek more than twelve years before it actually became reality.

Euless Parks Plan Update - 1988

City officials determined that the 1976 plan needed updating. The Parks and Leisure Services Board prepared and published the Euless Parks Plan Update. This document was intended to serve as an addendum and supplement to the 1976 Euless Park Plan.

The impetus to prepare the 1988 document was (1) the previously prepared document; (2) the challenge of providing adequate athletic fields for soccer and baseball; (3) the impact of private development on floodplains and related natural areas; (4) the need for a multipurpose community center; and (5) the interest of citizens and public agencies in establishing an outdoor area for educational programs related to native Texas flora and fauna.

The updated document dealt primarily with (1) the inventory and analysis of recreational facilities and park land; (2) the establishment of standards for parks and athletic facilities; and (3) the identification and development of natural areas.

Euless Parks Needs Assessment Update - 1992

With the advent of the Half-Cent Sales Tax election, the City of Euless revised the Parks Master Plan. This plan emphasized a comprehensive needs program for Parks and Recreation opportunities for the city. This was accomplished by (1) citizen evaluation through scientific research; (2) information gathered at Parks and Leisure Services Board meetings; (3) sports associations comments to the Parks and Leisure Services Board meetings; (4) input from social clubs, neighborhood associations, Parks and Leisure Services staff; and (5) neighborhood user groups.

Euless Parks Master Plan Update – 1995

The plan reviewed progress of providing additional facilities for the residents of Euless. This document proved to be a valuable tool in obtaining the grant from Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, which assisted in the funding of Phase one of the Parks at Texas Star. The 1995 update involved citizen surveys, interviews and meetings with sports associations and other organized user groups.

City of Euless, Texas, Parks Master Plan – 2002

This plan is an integral element of the policies and guidelines utilized by the City of Euless. The plan was prepared by the Parks and Leisure Services Board based on a non-scientific survey in October 2000. This survey was distributed to every 20th name on the Water Billing list and was incorporated into *Euless Today*, the city's quarterly magazine publication that is mailed to every resident. The plan contained the following planning elements: (1) Executive Summary; (2) Introduction; (3) Needs Assessment; (4) Citizen Survey Information; (5) Recommendations; and (6) Appendix.

The plan was prepared because of changing priorities and the need to update present facilities. Examples include the following: (1) trail system; (2) outdoor learning and nature center; (3) continued development of the Parks at Texas Star; (4) expansion of Midway Recreational Center and a recreational pool at Midway Park; (5) skate park and in-line hockey at the Parks at Texas Star; (6) upgrade existing facilities in the park system; (7) trail lighting at Bob Eden, South Euless and Wilshire parks as well as completion of trail plans; (8) install irrigation systems; realignment of Mid-Cities Boulevard in Bob Eden Park; and (9) convert game fields to practice fields at West Park and incorporate more picnic/passive areas and reduce the impact of adjoining residential development.

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan - 2007

The reason for the update of the master park plan dated 2002 is to provide a planning guide for the City Council, Parks and Leisure Services Board and the staff. This guide is based on the concept of planning for outdoor and indoor recreation. The new guide will be directed toward the existing and future population of the city of Euless. The objective of this new document, "Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan" is to match the desires of the citizens of Euless with planning concepts.

Examples of park planning concepts which the new document will include are as follows: (1) a scientific survey of the citizens of Euless; (2) age of the existing park plan; (3) the area and facilities inventory; (4) the availability of local funds and the changes in grant funding and guidelines which have been made in recent times; (5) standards relative to needs; (6) an implementation update in the plan; (7) prioritization of area and facilities; and (8) others as may be determined as the plan is prepared.

The following park planning elements will be included in the next master park plan document: (1) adoption resolution; (2) introduction; (3) goals and objectives; (4) plan development process; (5) area and facility concepts and standards; (6) inventory of areas and facilities; (7) needs assessment and identification; (8) plan implementation and prioritization of needs; and (9) appendix. The main planning element which will be contained in the appendix is the scientific survey of the citizens of Euless.

Euless Parks Master Plan Update - 2014

The Plan dated 2007 proved to be a valuable tool in establishing the priorities that would quickly lead to the creation of the Euless Family Life Center as well as future planning for expansion of existing support facilities at the Parks at Texas Star. This plan emphasizes the importance of continued planning and reestablishes priorities for future recreational facilities based on prior accomplishments, previous survey results, and identified needs.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goals and objectives reflect how the organization is going to carry out its mission to achieve its vision. They become the connection between the mission and the vision, or how the organization intends to organize work in advancing toward the preferred future. Thus, the programs and/or services of the Parks and Community Services Department are based upon our strategic plan – our vision, mission, goals and objectives.

These goals and objectives were formulated from information gathered from the scientific survey, the previous update to the plan, public hearings, the Parks and Leisure Services Board, and from input by the Parks and Community Services staff.

DEPARTMENTAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Listed below are the goals and objectives for parks, recreation and open space of the Parks and Leisure Services Department.

Goal No. 1 – To continue to develop a system of parks, recreation facilities, trails, open space and leisure services to meet the needs of an expanding and diverse community

Objective: The City of Euless should respond to public input and continue to develop the high quality and wide variety of park and recreation facilities available to residents and visitors by

- Continuing to support and fund Capital Improvement Programs for parks and recreation projects.
- Continuing to provide high-quality leisure programs to meet the needs of a diverse demographic and geographic population.
- Reviewing and updating the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.
- Encouraging and cultivating citizen input and expression of opinion as it relates to this document.
- Continuing to incorporate public art into the park system where appropriate.
- Continuing to update and/or renovate existing parks and recreational facilities, structures, fixtures and amenities.

Goal No. 2 – To continue to work to expand economic growth, improve the quality of life for our citizens and promote economic development opportunities through parks, recreation and open space planning and programming

Objective: The Parks and Community Services Department should continue to aggressively promote the benefits of parks and recreation through creative planning and programming realizing that these benefits can be an effective tool for increasing property values, promoting economic development by attracting new businesses, improving the city's image and stimulating tourism by

- Planning and designing parks and recreational facilities that are accessible to all individuals and meets the needs of the community it serves.

- Continuing to create, promote and participate in events which support the core values of the community.
- Investigating the feasibility of cooperative ventures with the school district, neighborhood associations, private and/or corporate businesses, other public agencies and organizations and other city departments.
- Responding to public input and continuing to develop landscape plans for high visibility areas that include parks, major thoroughfares, intersections and public facilities.
- Developing and implementing an urban forest management plan.
- Establishing more effective strategies for the members of the Euless Tree Board to have a voice in the development and land use plans for specific areas of the city.
- Reviewing and updating the landscape requirements of proposed developments through the city's unified development code.
- Establishing a Park Land Dedication Ordinance to provide space and/or funding for recreational areas in the form of neighborhood parks as a function of subdivision development in the city.

Goal No. 3 – To continue the informal and the formal planning process for parks, recreation, trails and open space

Objective: The primary mode of public involvement that forms the basis for the Parks Master Plan is through the Parks and Leisure Services Board. This group of volunteers is responsible for advising the City Council on a wide variety of parks and recreation matters. The diversity of views held by the members helps to ensure that the diversity of the community is well represented in Council deliberations and in policy direction. All meetings of the Parks and Leisure Services Board are open to the public and include public comment periods. This particular goal will be accomplished by

- Continuing to prepare and annually update the City of Euless Parks, Recreation, Trails and Open Space Master Plan.
- Working towards and continuing to encourage sustainable planning and implementation of future parks, recreation facilities, trails and open spaces.
- Submitting comments relative to private development or re-development projects that are adjacent to the 100-year flood plain, city parks or recreation facilities.
- Continuing to plan and design parks, recreational facilities, programs and events so as to adequately serve the existing organizations and recreational leagues operating in the City of Euless.
- Implementing a program of preparation for a site plan of development for existing and future parks when it is determined that development and re-development may be improved.

Goal No. 4 – To identify and designate selected areas within the City of Euless as protected wetlands, ecologically sensitive areas, natural corridors, watercourse corridors, natural areas and historical sites.

Objective: As the city of Euless continues to develop, it is imperative that selected areas are identified, protected and included in the Parks Inventory as passive recreation areas and that they remain in a natural state for future enjoyment. This can be accomplished by

- Identifying and designating protected areas from future development that are “natural corridors” such as ponds, creek corridors, wetland areas, unique natural areas with established under story tree canopies, ecologically sensitive areas and other areas that support wildlife and reflect Euless’ natural heritage.

- Preserving areas within the existing and proposed park system for passive recreation.
- Supporting the development and implementation of a park, recreation, trails and open space master plan that encourages environmental awareness.
- Where feasible, using materials in the construction of future parks and recreational facilities that respect the environment.
- Implementing a plan to preserve the limited amount of natural resources located within the City of Euless.
- Supporting the adoption of a local historical marker program that would identify local structures of historical significance and preserve its heritage through carefully written interpretive signage that would be installed at the site.

Goal No. 5 – To develop a high quality system of park trails and corridors that access public facilities, parks, neighborhoods and business districts

Objective: The City of Euless should acquire adequate funding for the development and construction of a city-wide trail system to include long-term maintenance costs within future budgets. This can be accomplished by

- Supporting the implementation of a trail improvement plan to construct or make improvements to trails located in Blessing Branch Park, Kiddie Carr Park, The Villages of Bear Creek Park, Heritage Park, West Park, South Euless Park and J.A. Carr Park.
- Implementing and supporting a plan that would include identifying and creating on-road bicycle routes, widening city sidewalks to trail width in certain areas and dedicating certain areas as trail easements.
- Developing a trails master plan that connects residential neighborhoods, parks, green belts, schools, activity centers, public buildings and business districts, airport property and adjoining cities.
- Creating trailhead improvements that furnish trail systems with appropriate supporting services including interpretive and directory signage, rest areas, drinking fountains, landscaping, restrooms, parking and other services.
- Installing trail lighting, telephones, or emergency call boxes at major trailheads or other appropriate locations by which trail users can summon fire, emergency aid, or police.

Goal No. 6 – To develop a high quality, diversified recreation system that provides for all age and interest groups, and enhances neighborhood parks, resources and facilities equitably across the city

Objective: With the general aging of many of our current recreational facilities, both indoor and outdoor, the City of Euless should implement and approve a Capital Improvement Program to address the following

Indoor Recreation Facilities

- Implementing a plan to develop or re-develop a senior activities center that will serve our current active senior group as well as provide for future expansion of an ever growing population of our city.
- Implementing a plan to expand the Midway Recreation Center to allow for more programmable space to meet the general social, educational, health, physical fitness, intellectual, recreation and leisure needs of the growing population and users of the current facility.

- Implementing a plan to purchase property, develop or re-develop existing property and/or facilities that would allow for additional indoor recreation and leisure opportunities that would specifically serve certain demographic and geographic areas of the city.
- Implementing a plan to develop and operate special indoor cultural and performing arts facilities in the city that would enhance and expand music, dance, drama, and other audience and participatory opportunities for the community at large.

Outdoor Recreation Facilities

- Developing and implementing an aquatic and support facility master plan to address the demographic and geographic aquatic needs of our citizens and to be accessible to individuals and/or organized groups of all physical capabilities, skill levels, age groups, income, and activity interest to participate and provide necessary funding to construct and maintain these facilities.
- Designing outdoor recreation facilities, to include picnic areas, fields, courts, playgrounds, trails, parking lots, restrooms and other active and supporting facilities to be accessible to individuals and organized groups of all physical capabilities, skill levels, age groups, income, and activity interests.
- Continuing to develop and implement programs that encourage public participation in both active and passive outdoor recreation programs to help increase safety and security such as adopt-a-park, neighborhood park watches, park patrols and other innovative programs where appropriate.

Goal No. 7 – To create financially effective and efficient long-range business plans for all enterprise operations to include, but not limited to, future development, maintenance, personnel and programmability of those facilities

Objective: With the ever changing trends in youth and adult athletics and sports leagues and with the recent surge of similar sports complexes that serve these diverse groups, it is imperative that the Parks and Community Services Department develop a plan to position ourselves to remain competitive by offering programs that attract paying participants in a diverse and competitive market place. This will be accomplished by

- Implementing innovative available methods to finance facility development, maintenance, and operating needs in order to reduce costs, retain financial and facility flexibility, match user benefits and interests, and increase facility services.
- Entering into joint ventures with other public and private agencies where feasible.
- Developing and implementing a plan that includes field renovations at Softball World at Texas Star that would enable the facility to become more profitable by enabling the management to expand the programs to include both the adult and youth markets.
- Developing and implementing a plan that includes combining the Parks at Texas Star with Softball World at Texas Star so that the two facilities could share common league and tournament play, revenues, expenses, employee base, management and maintenance staff.

Goal No. 8 – To provide for a high quality image, landscape, and visual unity for the entire city through planning and expanding beautification efforts

Objective: The City of Euless should develop a city-wide landscape plan that incorporates the design and conservation elements of the Texas Smartscape while maximizing and highlighting beautification efforts in city medians, right-of-ways, gateways, entry points, facilities and parks through plantings and other visual imagery.

- Developing a comprehensive turf management plan that incorporates all city-owned grounds including facility grounds, parks, medians and right-of-ways.
- Continuing beautification efforts through landscape design and general maintenance with qualified staff personnel and/or third party contractors where feasible.
- Working with other departments within the city and with developers on landscape selection to include manageable trees, location of planted trees, shrubs, etc., in medians and right-of-ways where feasible.
- Continuing to look for additional funding opportunities for beautification efforts through donations, grants and pilot programs, other public or private agencies and/or internal plant propagation.

Goal No. 9 – To identify and select certain areas within the City of Euless as locations for displaying public art

Objective: In order to become a more well-rounded city, it is imperative that Euless seek out more expression of the fine arts. An increase in public art can be an effective tool for attracting more attention to parks and recreation, as well as helping improve the image of the city. This can be accomplished by

- Identifying and designating areas within parks and/or facilities for the display of public art pieces, concentrating on high traffic areas for maximum exposure.
- Deciding what topics and subject matter would be relevant, such as historical or cultural significance.
- Procuring ideas or pitches from local artists and sculptors based on subject matter decisions.
- Encouraging public input on selection of the art pieces and locations for placement.

Goal No. 10 – To continue to hire and develop a professional staff of Park and Recreational professionals that work to meet the needs of the citizens of Euless while creating opportunities that enhance the overall vision and presence of the organization

Objective: The Parks & Community Services Department has many varying responsibilities that serve an ever changing demographic. It is important that the organization frequently reviews current policies, procedures and the overall vision of the department and takes the necessary steps to serve the citizens and each other in the most professional manner possible. This will be accomplished by

- Implementing a personnel development plan for staff.
- Conducting an efficiency and effectiveness review of the organization's programs and services.
- Reviewing and improving all departmental safety policies and procedures.
- Providing staff with continuing education and training.
- Encouraging staff and Board Members to participate in local, state and national conferences and seminars.
- Identifying and assessing the latest technological advancements that may assist in more efficient park maintenance development.
- Identifying and assessing computer and/or electronic technology that can more efficiently and effectively assist in programming and management improvements.

CITY OF EULESS PARKS & RECREATIONAL SYSTEM

At the core of the effort of any park and recreation organization is the responsibility to produce high quality, high impact park and recreation experiences. The process of developing a parks and recreation system should always start with the vision of creating a safe and enjoyable experience for the citizens. Because the City of Euless is so culturally diverse, we try to remember during the planning process that it is the individual's perception of the park, facility or program that enables him or her to experience the true benefits of parks and recreation through his or her own interaction with the social, physical, and natural environment in which we present that experience.

The City of Euless parks and recreation system provides the residents and visitors with significant personal, social, environmental and economic benefits. The many unique physical assets and programs of the parks and recreation system form the infrastructure of a vital, sustainable city. That infrastructure which makes up the recreational experience includes both indoor and outdoor facilities that serve the needs of the citizens of Euless depending on the activity or program, either active or passive. Some of the outdoor facilities included in the City of Euless parks and recreation system inventory include nearly 350 acres of park land including an additional 22 acres of grounds maintenance at city facilities, 58 acres of right-of-ways, and over 100 medians with nearly 72,000 square feet of landscape bed maintenance. Also included in the outdoor inventory would be the three neighborhood swimming pools as well as the splash pad at S. Euless Park, all athletic fields, the in-ground tree farm and the amenities related to each.

Some indoor facilities included in the parks and recreation system inventory include the Euless Family LifeCenter, the Simmons Center and the Ruth Millican Center.

Many improvements have been made in recent years to our parks inventory but there are still many recreational facilities that have served their economic life and need to be addressed as identified in this plan.

OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL AREAS

Generally, what comes to mind when one thinks of "outdoor recreation" is the municipal park. Although the municipal park certainly is the foundation of any solid parks and recreation system, there are other components that make up outdoor recreation. As previously mentioned, parks and recreation is about creating an experience. Each person's experience differs from another person's, depending on the benefit they want to get from the experience. Outdoor recreation facilities also help contribute to the overall outdoor recreation experience. Outdoor recreational facilities include items such as an amphitheater, athletic fields, gazebos and volleyball courts. Support facilities include items such as benches, port-o-lets, trash cans and water fountains, and the amenities found within these outdoor facilities include items such as tables, greenhouse, pools and courts. As you read through the tables, you will find that there is an overlap between one of these tables and another. This was by design because of the way one might experience outdoor recreation. In one case it may be viewed as an amenity, and in another, it may be viewed as a recreational facility. Whether it's playing on a playground, swimming at a pool or just enjoying nature, the facilities and the amenities serving the facilities help provide the benefits that one will experience while participating in outdoor recreation.

Areas owned by the City of Euless and dedicated to providing outdoor recreation are primarily located in 15 parks across the city. Many of these park properties were purchased or dedicated to the City of Euless over a long period of time. The most recently dedicated property is referred to as the "Preserve at McCormick Park," located in the northern part of the city within the Little Bear Creek corridor.

INVENTORY OF OUTDOOR RECREATION AREAS, FACILITIES AND AMENITIES

**TABLE 3
INVENTORY OF EACH PARK SITE**

Park Name	Water Corridor	Park Classification	Site Area (Acres)
Heritage	None	Neighborhood	4.1
Trailwood	Little Bear Creek	Linear/Neighborhood	11.0
Wilshire	Hurricane Creek	Neighborhood	5.6
J.A. Carr	Boyd Branch	Neighborhood	8.7
Kiddie Carr	Boyd Branch	Neighborhood	4.0
South Euless	Fuller Branch	Neighborhood	5.0
Blessing	Blessing Branch	Linear/Neighborhood	7.3
Preserve	Little Bear Creek	Linear/Neighborhood	27.0
McCormick	Little Bear Creek	Linear/Neighborhood	12.0
Bob Eden	Little Bear Creek	Linear/Community	73.0
West	Hurricane Creek	Linear/Community	21.0
Villages	Little Bear Creek	Linear/Community	46.5
Midway	Blessing Branch	Linear/Major City	21.2
PATS	None	Major City	82
Softball World	None	Special Purpose	16.7

Total Area(all park sites listed above) 345.1

- * The tennis courts that are located at Lakewood Elementary are owned by the city.
- * Note that Reflection Park has been reclassified as a beautification site (0.5 acres)

**TABLE 4
INVENTORY SUMMARY OF SITE AREA
BY PARK CLASSIFICATION**

Neighborhood	(N 4.1)	4.1 acres
Linear/Neighborhood	(L 26.0 + N 54.6)	80.6 acres
Linear/Community	(L 46.8 + C 93.7)	140.5 acres
Linear/Major City	(L 7.0 + M 14.2)	21.2 acres
Major City	(M 82.0)	82.0 acres
Special Purpose	(16.7)	16.7 acres

Total Area (all Park Sites listed above) 345.1 acres

Each park site or property was evaluated on the presence of flood plain, wetlands and/or natural area. For a definition of each type, please refer to the “Area and Facility Concepts and Standards” section.

**TABLE 5
INVENTORY OF EACH PARK SITE, FLOOD PLAIN, WETLANDS AND NATURAL AREA**

Park Name	Flood Plain	Wetlands	Natural Areas
Heritage	No	No	No
Trailwood	Yes	No	Yes
Wilshire	Yes	Yes	Yes
J.A. Carr	Yes	No	Yes
Kiddie Carr	Yes	No	No
South Euless	Yes	No	Yes
Blessing	Yes	No	Yes
Preserve ***	Yes	Yes	Yes
McCormick	Yes	No	No
Bob Eden	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Park	Yes	No	Yes
Villages	Yes	No	Yes
Midway	Yes	No	Yes
PATS	Yes	No	No
Softball World	No	No	No

*** A 404 Permit from the U.S. Corps of Engineers exist on property within the Preserve at McCormick Park.

The following tables break down each recreational site by the facilities, support facilities, and the amenities featured at the respective park site.

**TABLE 6
INVENTORY OF OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITY BY PARK SITE**

	Blessing Branch	Bob Eden	JA Carr	Kiddie Carr	Heritage	Lakewood	McCormick	Midway	PATS	Preserve	SBW	South Euless	Trail wood	Villages	West	Wilshire	ROW	Other
Amphitheater									1	1				1				
Tennis/Basketball									1	1					1			
Baseball Game								2	7					1	2			
Baseball Practice												4						
Softball Game																		
Softball Practice		1													2			
Basketball Courts				1									1					
Bird Watching Station										1								
Boardwalk										1								
Fishing Pier										1						1		
Gazebo			1				1			1								1
Greenhouse				1					1									
Historic Tree Grove							1											
Planted tree farm				1										1				
Potted tree farm				1														
Pavilion		1									3			4				
Playground		1	1		1		1	2	1	1		1	1	2	1	1		
Splash Pad												1						
Swimming Pool								1				1				1		
Soccer Game									9									
Soccer Practice		1												3				
Swing set	1		1					1				1	1	1				
Tennis Court		2				2		2										
Volleyball Court		3	1															

*A total of 6 backstops and 1 soccer goal (or practice fields) are located on the ISD property located east of Midway Park. There is no lease agreement between the school district and the city, thus the property may or may not be available for recreation.

TABLE 7

INVENTORY OF SUPPORT FACILITIES BY PARK SITE																		
PARK	Blessing Branch	Bob Eden	J.A. Carr	Kiddie Carr	Heritage	Lakewood	McCormick	Midway	Parks at Texas Star	Preserve	Reflection	Softball World	South Euless	Trailwood	Villages	West Park	Wilshire	TOTALS
Benches		5	8		8		3	25	34	4	2	8		0	30	8		135
Concession Bldg.									2			1						3
Concession Stand																		0
Exercise Stations		5							6						11			22
Grills		3	7		4		4	6	10	2			6	4	14	8	5	73
Parking Spaces - (Paved)	6	154	37	5	37		6	420	795	50		210	40		212	114	25	1,946
Pedestrian Bridges		1						3		1								5
Port-o-lets		2	1					6		2					6	4	2	23
Restrooms		2						2*					2*				2*	6
Tables	2	11	12		6		4	18	28	1		30	3	7	45	7	4	178
Trash Cans	5	24	17	3	7	2	9	28	74	11	1	43	10	7	41	21	9	312
Water Fountains		4	1					2	3	2		2			4			18
* Located within the pool area																		

TABLE 8

PARK	Park Amenities List																									
	TABLES	HANDICAP TABLES	GRILLS	TRASH CANS	BENCHES	BIKE RACKS	PLAYG ROUNDS	SWING SETS	WATER FOUNTAINS	EXERCISE STATIONS	BB COURTS	VB COURTS	TENNIS COURTS	GAZEBO	PORT-O-LETS	RESTROOMS	PAVILIONS	POOLS	SPLASH PADS	ATHLETIC FIELDS	MILES OF TRAILS	GREEN HOUSE	AMPHI-THEATER	DOG-I-POT	PARKING SPACES	
Blessing Branch	2		2	5				1																		6
Bob Eden	11		3	24	5		1	4	5			3	2		2	2	1			2	1.5				3	154
J.A. Carr	12		7	17	8		1	1	1			1		1							0.52					37
Kiddie Carr	1		2	3						1												1				5
Heritage	6		4	7	8		1														0.3			1		37
Lakewood				2									2													
McCormick	4		4	9	3		1	1						1							0.41			2		6
Main St.				1	4									1												
Midway	18		6	28	25	2	3	1	2				2		6			1		3	0.8				2	255
PATS	28	20	10	74	34		1		3	6						4				18		1	1			795
Preserve	1	2	2	11	4	1	1		2					1	2						0.51		1	2		50
Reflection				1	2																					
SBW	30			43	8				2							2	3			4						210
S. Euless	3	6	6	10	6	1	1	1			1				2	2		1	1						1	40
Trailwood	7		4	7			1	1	1												0.5				1	
Villages	45		14	41	30	3	2	1	4	11					6		4			4	2.2		1	4		212
West	7	1	8	21	8		1								4										2	114
Wilshire	4	9	5	9	4		1								2	2		1			0.3			1		25
Pipeline ROW				3	3																					
TOTALS	179	38	77	316	152	7	15	6	20	22	2	4	6	4	25	12	8	3	1	31	7.02	2	3	19		1946

**TABLE 9
INVENTORY OF ADDITIONAL OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL
FACILITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

City Medians Location	Number of Medians
Harwood Road	20
Highway	28
Midway Drive	8
Raider Drive	6
Main Street	3
Highway 10 @ 183	1
Highway 157 (Pipeline Rd. to Mid-Cities)	5
Bear Creek Parkway	5
Fair Oaks	5
East Ash Lane (west of Fuller-Wiser Rd.)	1
Mid-Cities Boulevard	12
Gateway	5
Centurian Boulevard	3

City Facilities	Size / Acres
City Hall Complex	11.00
PACS Admin. Bldg. & Service Center	3.07
Police & Courts Complex	5.10
Fire Station #1	0.77
Fire Station #2	0.68
Fire Station #3	0.46
Fire Station # (New)	0.29
Public Works	0.08
In-ground Tree Farm @ Villages	0.63
Greenhouse @ Parks Maintenance Facility	0.13
Old Station #2	0.52
Old Fire Station #3	0.46

City Right-of-ways	Size / Acres
Ector Drive	5.90
Ash Lane	3.20
Baze	1.60
Bear Creek Parkway	3.20
Fuller-Wiser Road	4.20
Glade Road	1.80
Glenn Drive	0.50
Harwood Road	2.00
Bob Eden Trail	2.06
International Parkway	0.20
Gateway	0.50
Lakeshore Drive	0.50
Main Street	3.80
Mid-Cities Boulevard	1.40
Midway Drive	0.80
South Pipeline Road	2.30
Roxboro	0.10
Salem	0.10
West Pipeline Road	4.70
Oak Lane	1.00
Argon	0.03
Jamestown	0.03
906 Cresthaven	1.37
704 West Highway 10	1.18
Reflection Site	0.50
Sulpher Branch	0.60
Main Street Park	0.73
511 W. Hwy 10	0.24
2103 Marlene	0.25
Live Oak	0.31
East Midway Practice Fields	11.05
Priest Lane @ Tallow	0.11
302 Martha	0.16
204-206 Dickey Drive	1.35
FAA Road	0.40
710 S. Main Street	0.43

LANDSCAPE BED MAINTENANCE

	Areas	Square Footage
1	Main Street medians & greenbelt	9,662
2	Harwood medians	6,111
3	Mid-Cities medians	1,662
4	Bob Eden Memorial	147
5	North Ector Drive medians	340
6	Villages of Bear Creek (1951 Bear Creek Pkwy.)	2,990
7	Reflection Park	2,248
8	Fire Hall #1 (201 E Ash Lane)	100
9	Fire Hall #3 (202 S. Euless Main Street)	1,828
10	Mack Drive medians	816
11	Holly Drive medians	275
12	McCormick Park (2190 Joyce Court)	360
13	Dr Pepper StarCenter (1400 S. Pipeline Rd.)	13,447
14	East Midway medians	6,996
15	Main Street @ Mid-Cities Boulevard	147
16	Euless Junior High median	540
17	Raider Drive medians	170
18	Parks at Texas Star (1400 Texas Star Pkwy.)	8,671
19	West Park	443
20	Sulpher Branch	360
21	Wilshire Pool	143
22	Parks & Community Services	889
23	J.A. Carr Park	1,962
24	South Euless Park	589
25	Ruth Millican Center	409
26	Heritage Park	714
27	Midway Park entrance bed & Rec. Center	1,812
28	Fair Oaks cap bed	117
29	Midway @ Main Street – southeast corner	1,822
30	Westpark Way	4,777
31	Pipeline Rd. @ Hwy 10	3115
32	Main Street Gazebo	1550
	TOTAL	70,435



OUTDOOR RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS SINCE THE DOCUMENT DATED 2007

Improvements made since the preparation of the City of Euless Master Plan dated 2007 are significant. The following improvements have been made in each park:

Bob Eden Park

1. Constructed trail connection from park, under Mid-Cities Blvd., to east service road of SH 121. - 2009
2. Added rock reinforcement to trail bridge abutments - 2010 and 2012
3. Installed new entry sign - 2009
4. Installed new benches at sand volleyball courts - 2010
5. Rebuilt "Bob Eden" park letters - 2012

McCormick Park

1. Constructed gabion wall for erosion protection - 2007
2. Upgraded all trail lighting - 2008
3. Upgraded/re-furbished gazebo - 2008
4. Added table and benches to gazebo - 2008
5. Renovated park entrance from Joyce Court - 2009

Villages of Bear Creek Park

1. Constructed gabion wall for erosion protection - 2010
2. Constructed dog park - 2008
3. Upgraded park/trail signage - 2008
4. Re-painted all grills - 2010
5. Constructed two pavilions within dog park - 2010
6. Installed lights in dog park - 2012

Midway Park

1. Installed new trail lighting - 2008
2. Removed outfield lights on field #3 - 2011
3. Installed new parking lot lights as part of the renovation - 2010
4. Installed new irrigation in portions of the park as well as in new landscape bed at entry of recreation center - 2010
5. Resurfaced tennis courts - 2008
6. Extended trail to playground to provide ADA accessibility - 2010
7. Removed fields #1 and #2 as part of the renovation/construction of new fitness center and senior center
8. Constructed new outdoor Aquatic Park - 2013

Heritage Park

1. Completed drainage work in and around playground area - 2008

J.A. Carr Park

1. Constructed new sand volleyball court within park - 2009
2. Installed new pedestal mount trash cans - 2009
3. Added handicapped ramp at entry of the building - 2009
4. Added catch basin and French drain along south side of the building as well as at main entrance - 2009

South Euless Park

1. Repainted aquatic playground - 2010
2. Replaced bridge planks - 2009
3. Installed UV filtration system on splash pad - 2010
4. Installed restroom enclosure - 2008
5. Installed new park entrance sign - 2009

Kiddie Carr Park

1. Upgraded irrigation system throughout park - 2009
2. Renovated inground and potted tree farm areas to be better suited for proper growth and maintenance - 2009
3. Installed new fencing around greenhouse and tree farm - 2011
4. Installed new drip irrigation for potted tree farm - 2011

Softball World at Texas Star

1. Installed new field fencing - 2009
2. Renovated infields with new clay and conditioner - 2009
3. Removed playground - 2009
4. Installed new field lights - 2011
5. Installed new entry sign - 2012

The Parks at Texas Star

1. Reconstructed infields on Yankee, Wrigley, and Royal with all new clay and conditioner and re-sodded infield - 2010
2. Installed shade shelter for spectators and umpires by soccer fields - 2008
3. Installed new concrete picnic pads by Jacob's field - 2008
4. Installed new pitching machines in batting cages - 2009
5. Installed new netting around batting cages - 2010
6. Re-painted outfield fences - 2008
7. Replaced shade canopies by batting cages - 2008
8. Replaced wood planks on pedestrian bridge by playground – 2011
9. Rebuilt all infields inside four-plex – 2012/2013

Trailwood Park

1. Constructed retaining wall to address erosion problems behind houses that back up to the trail - 2011
2. Installed new park sign at entrance - 2008

The Preserve at McCormick Park

1. Installed pavestone seating at outdoor classroom - 2009
2. Installed picnic pad near playground - 2008

INDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

The City of Euless has several indoor facilities that serve the recreational needs of the citizens. The Parks & Community Services Department currently operates one dedicated recreational activity center, one dedicated senior activity center and one multi-purpose facility used primarily for passive recreational programming. Other facilities that would be classified as indoor recreation facilities include the Fuller House, the Himes Log House and the various pavilions and gazebos. These are detailed by location and size in the following table.

**TABLE 10
INVENTORY OF INDOOR RECREATION FACILITIES, PAVILIONS AND GAZEBOS**

Facility		Location		Size – Sq. Feet
Eules Family Life Center		Midway Park		52,300
Simmons Center		J.A. Carr Park		5,600
Ruth Millican Center		Heritage Park		5,000
Dr Pepper StarCenter		Parks at Texas Star		95,000
Fuller House Museum		Heritage Park		2,000
Himes Log House		Heritage Park		1,500
Pavilions		Location		Size-Sq. Feet
Villages of Bear Creek		Villages of Bear Creek		2,300
Bear’s Den		Villages of Bear Creek		1,900
Parks at Texas Star		Parks at Texas Star		2,600
Bob Eden		Bob Eden		1,850
Gazebos		Location		Size-Sq. Feet
Simmons		J.A. Carr Park		500
Preserve at McCormick Park		Preserve at McCormick Park		600
McCormick Park		McCormick Park		500
Main Street		Main Street		600

INDOOR RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS SINCE THE DOCUMENT DATED 2007

Improvements made to indoor recreational facilities since the document dated 2007 are significant and important to the senior citizen. The following recreational facilities were made to the centers located in the City of Euless:

Ruth Millican Center

1. Converted building to museum for Historical Preservation Committee

Simmons Senior Center

1. Building converted from senior center to additional recreational programming facility as well as rental facility.

Euless Family Life Recreation Center

Complete building renovation in 2010 included:

1. Added interactive game room
2. Added 5000 sq. foot fitness room with new cardio equipment as well as some new weight equipment.
3. Added ballet room
4. Renovated control booth/front desk
5. Added two new staff offices
6. Added new employee break room
7. Added additional programmable space
8. Added drop-in child care room
9. Added outdoor play area adjacent to classrooms
10. Added covered entry/walkway
11. Added new Mondo flooring throughout the facility
12. Repainted entire facility (inside and out)
13. Installed emergency generator to facility
14. Installed new parking lot lighting
15. Added new shower/locker rooms
16. Eliminated kitchen
17. Installed new tv's and cardio theater system in fitness center
18. Added indoor pool

Euless Family Life Senior Center

Constructed new 20,000 square foot senior center that includes:

1. 5,000 square foot ballroom / shared space
2. Fully-functioning kitchen
3. Library
4. Computer lab
5. Computer training room
6. Multi-purpose room(s)
7. Game area
8. Lounge area
9. Snack bar

10. Two staff offices
11. Reception area
12. Restrooms / locker rooms
13. Medical room
14. Cardio area
15. Storage
16. Party room

TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS SINCE THE DOCUMENT DATED 2007

Trail improvements installed in each park are significant because of their desire by the citizens of the City of Euless. Trail installation by park site is listed below.

The following are trail and related improvements made to each park:

Bob Eden Park

1. Public Works installed additional rock and concrete to provide additional bank stabilization under pedestrian bridge

McCormick Park

1. Upgraded trail lighting

Villages of Bear Creek Park

1. Reconfigured trail to avoid further damage due to erosion along creek bank

Midway Park

1. Added tie-in to trail/sidewalk to provide ADA access to playground



AREA AND FACILITY CONCEPTS AND STANDARDS

WETLANDS, FLOOD PLAIN AND NATURAL AREA DEFINED

The terms *wetland*, *flood plain* and *natural area* describe significant characteristics located on park property. Each term impacts the functions or use of the property as a park site or property. Table 5, “INVENTORY OF EACH PARK SITE, FLOOD PLAIN, and WETLANDS AND NATURAL AREA” shows these characteristics for each park site.

Wetlands

Property or land which is generally identified as wetlands has three characteristics: These include: (1) soils which are saturated for at least part of the year; (2) plants which have adapted to life in the wet environment; and (3) special soils that are created under depleted oxygen conditions.

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department defines wetland as “those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency sufficient to support, under normal conditions, a prevalence of vegetation or aquatic life that requires saturated or seasonally saturated soil conditions for growth and reproduction.”

In the City of Euless an example of wetlands is the existing ponds located within the “Preserve at McCormick Park.”

Flood Plain

Flood plains are located in a lowland, generally flat, adjoining a creek or waterway and may be referred to as a flood-prone area. Normally the flood plain is identified as the “100-year flood plain.” The 100-year flood plain is divided into two parts. One is the floodway which is generally located in the center of the 100-year flood plain and may be referred to as the creek or water way. The second part of the 100-year flood plain is the floodway fringe. This area is normally divided into two parts, one on each side of the floodway. These two floodway fringe areas may receive manmade improvements with some restrictions. Within the floodway no development is normally permitted except the flow of storm water. Examples of flood plains in the City of Euless are (1) Little Bear Creek, (2) Blessing Branch, (3) Fuller Branch, (4) Boyd Branch, (5) Hurricane Creek, and (6) Sulfur Branch.

Natural Area

A natural area is property or land that is located within the aquatic or terrestrial ecosystem and has retained its natural characteristics or has recovered its pre-urbanized conditions. This area may include flood plains, wetlands, stands of trees, stands of under-story plants, grasses and/or other characteristics. In many instances these areas are a habitat for wildlife, both plant and animal. A natural area may be located along a creek or waterway corridor or adjacent to these areas. Likewise, a natural area may be located outside of these areas. In order to use a natural area with manmade development(s), it is normally limited and/or restricted in some way. Examples of natural areas include the areas dominated by trees and /or under story plants located in Trailwood, Wilshire, J.A. Carr, Villages of Bear Creek parks and the Preserve at McCormick Park.

CONCEPTS AND STANDARDS

Concepts and standards are dealt with separately as outdoor and indoor. Outdoor deals with those recreational opportunities or activities which occur outdoors. Indoor recreational opportunities or activities are those which occur inside a building or center. This may be a recreational center or senior center.

Outdoor opportunities or activities occur in parks with the following park classifications: (1) neighborhood, (2) community, (3) major city park, (4) linear/greenbelt, and (5) special purpose. Although the following describes each park classification, there may be an overlap of one park classification to another park classification. For example, it is not uncommon to experience a combination of a neighborhood park with a linear/greenbelt park.

Indoor opportunities or activities occur inside a building or center and are identified on a number of park classifications. These may be a community park, major city park or a special purpose park. In some instances the recreational opportunities or activities which occur in the recreation center may be quite different from those occurring in the senior center. There is a difference between the opportunities or activities and the ages of the participants. Over time and experience it has been established or determined that these two types of centers should be separated on sites or parks.

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK CLASSIFICATION

Prototype Residential Neighborhood – A prototype residential neighborhood is approximately one mile square (640 acres) and includes 3,000 to 7,000 people. It is often bounded by major thoroughfares or existing physical barriers. Ideally, a neighborhood has an elementary school and a neighborhood park near its center. The service area of a neighborhood is generally within a one-half to two-thirds mile radius of the elementary school/neighborhood park site. Refer to “population” contained in the Introduction Section for additional information.

Neighborhood Park Classification – The neighborhood park is the recreation space located closest to the recreation enthusiast. In many cities, the neighborhood park is considered the backbone of the municipal park system. It is the local park that provides an attractive open space within easy walking or biking distance. It is a place where all age groups can relax and enjoy both passive and active recreation facilities. These facilities should serve all ages with a focus on those facilities intended for preschool and elementary school age children. The neighborhood park is intended to be a place of fun and relaxation for the entire family.

Size and Location – The minimum size of a neighborhood park should be approximately 5 to 10 acres. If combined with an elementary school, the park land may be reduced by 3 acres or a total of 7 acres. The neighborhood park should be located near the center of the neighborhood it serves. It should be easily accessible by vehicles from a residential street (paving of 28 feet in width) or a collector street (paving of 36 feet in width) and via trails 6-8 feet wide. Ideally, the park should be within walking distance of residential areas and be a part of the trail system.

Facilities – The following recreational facilities are typically located in a neighborhood park. The number and size of recreational facilities may be adjusted to fit both the park site and the surrounding need for recreational facilities.

- Playgrounds
- Multi-purpose athletic fields for practice
- Tennis and/or multi-purpose courts
- Picnic stations
- Landscaping
- Natural areas
- Trails
- Support facilities

Examples of Euless neighborhood parks include Heritage, Trailwood and Wilshire parks.

COMMUNITY PARK CLASSIFICATION

Community Park Definition – A typical community park serves several neighborhoods located within a service radius of approximately 2 miles. While the neighborhood park serves young age groups, the family unit and non-organized group activities, the primary function of the community park is to provide more specialized facilities such as those required for competitive sports. The community park often provides a neighborhood park service level for those residential neighborhoods immediately adjacent to it.

A typical community park is reached by automobile, except those residences that are adjacent to the community park with a destination to neighborhood recreational facilities. Therefore, the community park should provide parking spaces for those in vehicles. The site should be adequate in size to handle numerous recreational facilities and have open space with limited slopes. Good orientation and landscaped buffers are needed to minimize disturbance of neighboring residential areas.

Size and Location – The size of a typical community park is 20 to 80 acres. A minimum size of 25 acres should be considered. The typical radius for a community park ranges from 1 to 2 miles. It is desirable to locate a community park adjacent to a middle school, high school, or church. In this way the park users may take advantage of the parking spaces. The community park should be located on or near a major thoroughfare or via trails so as to impact the adjoining residential neighborhoods. A community park may also be located in combination with school athletic facilities.

Facilities – Community parks typically contain many of the same recreational facilities as neighborhood parks. The community park often has larger recreational facilities for competitive sports and space for large crowds of people. The following recreational facilities are typically located in community parks:

- Lighted athletic fields for sports
- Lighted courts for sports
- Natural areas and open space for free or unorganized activities
- Recreation or senior citizen building
- Unique natural areas
- Ponds
- Shelters or picnic pavilions
- Picnic stations
- Support facilities and recreational facilities typically located in a neighborhood park

Examples of Euless community parks include Bob Eden, West and Midway parks.

MAJOR CITY PARK CLASSIFICATION

Major City Park Definition – The major city park is typically the largest park within a municipal park system. Its service area is intended to encompass the entire city. It may support a variety of recreational facilities including athletic fields, trails, playgrounds, natural areas and open space.

Size and Location – The size of a major city park may be up to 75 acres. Major city parks are generally located with special attention given to the natural characteristics, amenities, wetlands, easements and/or floodplains. Major city parks should be located adjacent to a major thoroughfare to accommodate the traffic volumes generated by the recreational facilities located on the major city park.

Facilities – A major city park often contains recreational facilities similar to those located in a neighborhood and/or a community park. Major city parks often include open space reserved for use as natural areas and for potential facility expansion. The following recreational facilities are located in major city parks:

- Historical sites or features
- Significant geological and/or horticulture features
- Creeks, ponds, wetlands and/or floodplains
- Trails and/or interpretative areas
- Lighted athletic fields which meet sports requirements
- Lighted courts which meet sports requirements
- Picnic stations
- Similar recreational facilities located in neighborhood and community parks
- Support facilities and an internal road system and parking

An example of a Euless major city park is Parks at Texas Star.

LINEAR/GREENBELT PARK CLASSIFICATION

Linear/Greenbelt Park Definition – A linear park or greenbelt park is a corridor of green space that is used to provide a link within and between neighborhoods, parks, schools, community buildings and other semi-land uses. Ideally, linear parks or greenbelt parks are developed in a citywide comprehensive system.

Linear parks or greenbelt parks are an effective way to introduce green space into a city that will provide a high potential of usage for a minimum cost. These parks usually follow easements, creeks, drainage ways, and/or floodplains. It is not uncommon to locate “trails” within the street right-of-way, either marked with paint as a bicycle route within the paving section or the parkway adjacent to the paving section. The trails may be located within the pavement of the street on a designated surface or the trail may be located within the parkway. The cost of acquiring property for linear parks or greenbelt parks is usually minimal when compared to acquiring property for other classifications of parks. Normally private development is limited within these areas. Some developers and or land owners are eager to work with the city.

Size and Location – A linear park or greenbelt park has no particular size requirements. A length of ¼ mile is often considered a minimum length. The shape of this property is usually long and narrow because the property commonly follows a drainage way, easement or other natural feature. When these features are not available, linear parks or greenbelt parks may follow along existing street right-of-way. The standard width sidewalk should be replaced with a wider “pedestrian pathway” of 6 to 8 feet in order to accomplish this objective.

Facilities – Site improvements in these parks are often limited to trail functions, picnic stations, landscaping and natural characteristics. Utilities, drainage of storm water and topography often limit the development of this park.

Linear/Greenbelt parks with large areas of open space and/or gentle slopes may contain recreational facilities typically located in a neighborhood park. The recreational facilities found in this park are determined by the physical characteristics of the property. Some of the recreational facilities that may be suitable in this park include the following:

- Trails
- Landscaping and beautification
- Playgrounds
- Picnic stations
- Unlighted multi-purpose practice fields

Examples of Euless linear/greenbelt parks include a portion of Trailwood, Bob Eden, McCormick and the Villages of Bear Creek Park.

SPECIAL PURPOSE PARK CLASSIFICATION

Special Purpose Park Definition – A special purpose park is usually intended to provide one or two specialized or limited use recreational facilities. At the time of preparation of the document dated 2002 Texas Star Golf Course was within the responsibility of the Parks and Community Services Department. Since 2002, this facility is not considered park land nor is the Parks and Community Services Department responsible for its management and maintenance. Thus, this facility is not a part of this document dated 2014. It is not uncommon or unusual for municipal golf courses to be an independent management and operation because of the specialized demands of the facility.

Size and Location – Its size and location are dependent on the recreational facility intended for the property. These parks are commonly located relative to unique environmental or historic characteristics. They may be adjacent to major thoroughfares.

Facilities – The recreational facilities located in a special purpose park are based on the desires of the citizens. Examples of Euless special purpose parks would include Softball World.

APPLICATION OF PROPERTY AND RECREATIONAL FACILITY STANDARDS TO THE CITY OF EULESS

Standards should be used as guidelines along with other factors to determine the number of acres devoted to recreation and the number of recreational facilities owned by the city. Standards provide a method of gauging or measuring the difference between one city and another. The standards vary from one city to the next depending on each city's classification and designation of recreation facilities. For instance, one city may include a municipally owned golf course in their recreational facility inventory, where another might not.

The standards for the City of Euless were developed by using the professional judgment of recreational planners and designers. The factors or elements used for the City of Euless include (1) the standards of other cities comparable in size to Euless, (2) the standards established by the National Recreational & Park Association, (3) programs sponsored by the city, (4) recreational property owned by the city, (5) the desires of the citizens of the city for indoor and outdoor recreation, (6) inventory of recreational facilities, and (7) the goals and objectives of the city.

An example of standards which varied from one area of the state to another part of the state was used by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. At one time in the past, the standards established in the "Texas Park Plan" was used to determine, in part, the score of an application for a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant. The use of these standards was eliminated because it was determined that the standards were not uniform from one city to another. Missing from the standard was consideration or the impact given to the last 5 factors listed in the paragraph above.

Some of the examples of the acres per 1000 population or "standards" of other cities and the National Recreation & Park Association are as follows: (1) Allen, Texas, 8.5 acres; (2) Plano, Texas, 10.0; (3) McKinney, Texas, 8.5; (4) Collin County 12.0; (5) Lucas, Texas, 10.0; and (6) the National Recreation & Park Association from 5.25 to 10.50. Likewise, the standards for recreational facilities vary significantly from community to community. The following are examples of standards published by the National Recreation & Park Association: (1) pavilion - 1 per 60,000 persons; (2) shelters - 1 per 10,000 persons; (3) trails - 1 mile per 10,000 persons; and (4) aquatic facilities - 1 per 20,000 persons. The bottom line is that standards relative to the amount of property and the number of recreation facilities are unique to the City of Euless.

CITY OF EULESS OUTDOOR STANDARD FOR EACH PARK CLASSIFICATION

Standards have been developed for each park classification within the City of Euless expressed in terms of “acres of park land per 1,000 populations.” This applies to all park classifications located within the City of Euless.

A total of 8 1/2 to 13 acres of park property per 1000 population should be devoted to various park classifications within the City of Euless. This standard is in line with the acres per 1000 population in some other communities listed above. The standard will result in 450 acres to 689 acres of park property for the City of Euless. The property presently devoted to recreation within the City of Euless is 345.1 acres or 6 1/2 acres of park property per 1000 population. There is a minimum deficiency of 104.9 acres (450.0 less 345.1) in the City of Euless. The most deficient park classification is linear/greenbelt which requires 79.2 acres of property in order to conform to the standard.

Table 11 “Outdoor Standards for Each Park Classification Relative to Population” contains the standards for each of the 5 park classifications located within the City of Euless.

**TABLE 11
OUTDOOR STANDARDS FOR EACH PARK CLASSIFICATION RELATIVE TO
POPULATION**

Park Classification and Existing Acres	Per 1,000 Population	Based on 51,277 Existing population
Neighborhood (58.7)	1 – 2 acres	53 – 106 acres
Community (93.7)	2 – 3 acres	106 – 159 acres
Major City (96.2)	2 – 3 acres	106 – 159 acres
Linear/Greenbelt (79.8)	3 – 4 acres	159 – 212 acres
Special Purpose (16.5)	½ - 1 acres	26 – 53 acres
TOTAL (345.1)	8 ½ - 13 acres	450 – 689 acres

CITY OF EULESS INDOOR CENTER STANDARD

Standards for centers or buildings within the City of Euless have been developed. These standards, along with the following information, should be used to determine the characteristics of centers in the City of Euless: (1) the programs sponsored by the city or community; (2) the availability, size and function of facilities; (3) goals and objectives of the community; and (4) the desires of the citizens. Standards are expressed in terms of the building areas in square feet per 1,000 persons or population.

Centers or buildings with a specific purpose within the community or city should have the following: (1) parking, (2) parking and security lighting, (3) outdoor recreational facilities which are compatible with the site and will be used by the participants, (4) special purpose building, (5) aesthetic site improvements, (6) environmental characteristics, (7) service access, (8) size of site which is adequate for all uses, (9) vehicle and pedestrian access, and (10) access to the city trail system.

Based on the above observations, standards for the City of Euless centers or buildings are contained within Table 12 “INDOOR STANDARDS FOR CENTERS RELATIVE TO POPULATION.”

**TABLE 12
INDOOR STANDARDS FOR CENTERS
RELATIVE TO POPULATION**

Indoor Center	Square Feet per 1,000 Population	Square Feet Based on 51,277 existing Population
Eules Family Life Center (52,300)	1,200	61,200
Simmons Senior Center (5,600)	350	17,850

CITY OF EULESS RECREATIONAL FACILITY STANDARD

As indicated above in this section standards were developed for outdoor recreational facilities. TABLE 13, “OUTDOOR STANDARDS FOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES RELATIVE TO POPULATION” were developed using the same or similar factors.

**TABLE 13
OUTDOOR STANDARDS FOR
RECREATIONAL FACILITIES RELATIVE TO
POPULATION**

Recreational Facility and Existing Facilities	Population Served One Facility	Required Facilities Based on Population of 51,277	Existing Surplus or (Deficiency)
Amphitheater - 3	1 per 17,000	3	0
T-ball/Blastball - 3	1 per 10,500	5	(2)
Baseball – Game - 11	1 per 4,000	13	(2)
Baseball - Practice - 8	1 per 4,500	11	(3)
Softball – Game - 6	1 per 6,500	8	(2)
Softball – Practice - 2	1 per 10,000	5	(3)
Basketball Courts - 2	1 per 15,000	3	(1)
Bird Watching Stn. – 1	1 per 50,000	1	0
Fishing Pier - 2	1 per 25,000	2	0
Football Field - 0	1 per 50,000	1	(1)
Gazebos – 3	1 per 13,000	4	(1)
Outside Classroom - 1	1 per 50,000	1	0
Pavilion - 6	1 per 7,000	7	(1)
Playground - 15	1 per 2,800	18	(3)
Soccer – Game - 8	1 per 5,500	10	(2)
Soccer – Practice - 4	1 per 8,500	6	(2)
Splash Pad - 1	1 per 25,000	2	(1)
Swimming Complex - 1	1 per 50,000	1	(0)
Neighborhood Pool - 2	NA	NA	NA
Tennis Court - 4	1 per 5,500	9	(5)
Trail - Paved (concrete) 3.65 miles	1 mi. per 5,000	10	(6.35 miles)
Trail – Unpaved (nature) 2.75 miles	1 mi. per 13,000	4	(1.25 miles)
Volleyball Court - 4	1 per 10,000	5	(1)

* A total of 6 backstops and 1 soccer goal (or practice fields) are located on the ISD property located east of Midway Park. There is no lease agreement between the school district and the city, thus the property may or may not be available for recreation.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The City of Euless has completed an extensive needs assessment evaluation to address the park, recreation, and open space needs for Euless residents for the next ten years. This assessment defines the City's role in future land acquisition, facility and park renovation and new capital improvements.

A unique and valuable aspect of this Needs Assessment is that the results of citizen input forms the basis of this section of the plan. The plan is a guide for Parks & Community Services staff, Parks and Leisure Services Board members and the Euless City Council to use in presenting and developing future budgets to address these needs. Presently, the capital funding needed to implement this Capital Improvement Plan as it relates to the Needs Assessment far exceeds present available and projected funding. To help address the gap between anticipated funding available and the needs reflected in the plan, several funding options were identified in the "Resources" section of this document.

METHOD

The City of Euless has developed a method to determine the active and passive recreational needs for both indoor and outdoor recreational facilities. This method includes a number of ways to identify the activities within the City of Euless.

The first method was the preparation of a Recreation Needs Assessment and Attitude Survey. This public opinion poll captured attitudes on parks and recreational issues in the community from respondents randomly selected from phone-matched households.

The second method was to hold public hearings by the City Council or the Parks and Leisure Services Board. At these meetings, presentations were made by staff and consultants, opinions were expressed by elected and appointed officials, and the citizens expressed their opinions regarding parks and recreational issues.

The third method was to receive the recommendations of elected and appointed officials as well as from the Parks & Community Services Staff.

The fourth method included (1) the evaluation of programs and activities sponsored by the city, (2) inventory of the property owned by the city, (3) inventory of recreational facilities owned by the city, (4) comparison of standards with other cities and the National Recreation Parks Association, and (5) the goals and objectives of the city.

APPROACHES

The City of Euless employed three different approaches to determine the recreational Needs Assessment. These included the demand-based approach, the standard-based approach, and the resource-based approach. Each of the methods was used in the evaluation of parks and recreational issues. It should be noted that the classification of a park may influence the employment of these

approaches differently. As an example, the resource-based approach may be used more dominantly when evaluating property to be used as a greenbelt park.

The demand-based approach relies on information gathered from actual participation numbers, registration numbers, surveys and other documents as well as information that indicate how many citizens want and use certain types of recreational facilities. Included is the acquisition of property and potential funding sources.

The standard-based approach uses standards related to specific numbers of the population per classification of parks, outdoor recreational facilities and indoor recreational facilities. These standards are based on demand studies and the professional judgment of recreation planners and designers. Standards relative to population have been developed for this city as they relate to each park classification, outdoor recreational facility and indoor recreational center.

The resource-based approach examines the assets and resources of each property for open space, passive recreational facilities, natural areas, wetlands and flood plain. The examination includes how these characteristics may be used. This approach frequently involves creeks or waterways, thus the property is used for recreation and the movement of storm water. The most dominant passive recreational facility is the trail followed by neighborhood recreational facilities.

CITIZEN SURVEY

At its foundation, the needs assessment was based on an extensive public input process that included a community phone survey conducted with a statistically valid, random sample of Euless households as well as public forums and interviews. Important themes that emerged from the analysis of the survey data included the following:

- More than nine of ten residents (94%) are satisfied or very satisfied with the quality of parks and recreation in Euless. Satisfaction citywide was fairly consistent, varying by only three percent over the four sub-sectors utilized in the study.
- Respondents were most satisfied with the recreational services provided by Euless for the following groups: young children ages 6 – 12 (61%), and under age 6 (63%), and adults ages 46 – 65 (69%).
- Respondents were least positive about the services provided children, ages 13 – 18 (55%).
- Visiting or using a municipal park or park facility (86%), visiting a city playground (65%), and visiting a city park pavilion (54%) were the most popular recreational facilities or activities utilized by area residents in the past 12 months. Second tier ratings centered on visiting or using a municipal athletic field (37%), visiting a city pool (31%), and participating in any class or program offered by the Parks & Community Services Department (25%).
- The overall quality of park, the maintenance of city athletic fields and city parks, and overall quality of city athletic fields received more than seven times as many positive ratings as negative marks and were rated the highest of the 27 park and recreation facility characteristics tested. The number of parks, overall quality of playgrounds, having parks conveniently located for people in all areas, overall quality of recreation center, and variety of classes and programs offered by the Parks & Community Services Department all received at least five times as many positive than negative ratings.
- Nearly four of five residents sampled (79%) rated the money paid versus the services provided by the Parks & Community Services Department a great or good value.
- The items toward which residents were most passionate or deemed most important to them were jogging/biking trails, natural habitat/nature areas, senior center, family aquatic facility, dog park and children's water playground.

- Jogging/biking trails, aquatic facility, children’s water playground and a senior center were considered the most important recreational facilities to construct out of the 28 facility types presented. Others that received favorable consideration included a dog park, recreation center, playgrounds, natural habitat/nature areas, skateboard park and tennis courts.
- In city parks (88%), connecting to neighborhoods (85%), close to my house (77%), and connecting to trails from other cities (76%) were the most popular location or destination choices among residents for where they would like to see trails connected in EuleSS. A majority would also like trails connected to schools (68%) and along utility rights-of-way (53%).
- Renovate/Redevelop neighborhood parks (92%), expand the city’s trail system (89%), and renovate/reconstruct an additional senior center (80%) were the most popular projects for the city to fund in the next five to ten years among the six tested. The other three items were also popularly supported, but at a lower ratio were support for constructing an additional recreation center (77%), constructing an aquatic park (74%), and constructing a dog park (62%).
- A large family aquatic facility, which would include both pools and children’s spray play areas (81%), was the aquatic facility option tested that secured the most support from survey participants. An indoor aquatic facility, ranked second (74%).

THE CITY OF EULESS NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Analysis of the survey and the other public input data, combined with the expertise of the consultant and staff, resulted in the determination of community needs. To help create a more balanced park system with equitable access to public parks and recreation facilities, Area and Facility Concepts and Standards were created for both indoor and outdoor recreational needs. These standards were customized for the City of EuleSS and based on citizen demand, compared with the existing public facility inventories and coupled with population projections through 2017 to determine needs over the next ten years. This list of “needs” includes the acquisition of property, future development of park property, construction of new or renovation of existing recreational facilities for both indoor and outdoor recreation, and also addresses the needs for future trails in the EuleSS Trails System section.

City of EuleSS Outdoor Recreational Facility’s Needs (in no particular order)

- Shade canopy over senior center patio
- Additional pavilions at Carr and Heritage Park
- General upgrade of park signs
- Disk golf course
- Additional dog park in south EuleSS
- Additional playgrounds
- Expand parking lot at Carr Park
- Additional outdoor basketball courts
- Additional tennis courts
- Skate park
- Large children’s playground
- Miracle field
- Additional aquatic spraygrounds

City of EuleSS Indoor Recreational Facilities Needs

- Renovation of Simmons Center
- Expand Fitness center at the Family Life Center



CITY OF EULESS TRAIL SYSTEM

The City of Euless has experienced significant progress in the last few years in the area of trail development with an extensive network of paved and unpaved trails (particularly in areas I and II). The trails system is a valuable asset to the community as it assists not only in providing a safe means for non-vehicular travel but also in providing an opportunity for a variety of unstructured, low-impact recreational pursuits. The continued development of both paved and unpaved trails received a great deal of support from the citizens as indicated in the responses of the Scientific Survey and has also been supported by past updates to the Parks Master Plan.

According to the Scientific Survey, the preferred locations or destinations for trail connectivity in the City of Euless include

- In existing or future park developments (88%)
- Connecting to neighborhoods (85%)
- To trails in other cities (76%)
- To schools (68%)
- Along rights-of-way/utility easements (53%)
- Along major thoroughfares (42%)
- Connecting to shopping centers (36%)
- Connecting to churches (39%)

See attached “Master Plan Map” for proposed future trails, trail connections, and locations for proposed sidewalks and sidewalk connections.

Ideally, a city’s trail system will provide connectivity in and around the city as identified in the “Trails Map.” The Euless City Council has allocated monies over the past several years to facilitate a “Multi-Year Sidewalk Plan”. It is recommended that the Public Works and Parks & Community Services Departments work together on this plan as well as the citywide trails system plan to identify those areas where resources could be combined to fulfill the need of additional trails as identified by the citizens in the Scientific Survey. See attached “Trails Map” for proposed future trails, trail connections, and locations for proposed sidewalks and sidewalk connections.

Included in the overall Needs Assessment is a more detailed list of specific needs for each existing park and/or facility. Although this list is thorough, it is by no means an all-encompassing list of needs. As stated previously in this report, the general and specific needs recommended in this report may change depending on many contributing factors such as changes in population, availability of funds, property or grants, changes in priorities and/or management within the city and/or department, Parks and Leisure Services Board members and City Council members. Six main factors were given consideration when defining specific needs for existing parks. These included Property Acquisition, Construction, Redevelopment, Renovation, Maintenance and Additional Amenities. These factors determined the necessary requirements to meet park standards as previously defined.

NEEDS BY PARK SITE

The following is a list of individual parks, facilities, locations, current amenities, list of needs (current and future) and proposed improvement projects as it relates to the timeline that this plan covers.

Bob Eden Park (Linear / Community)

901 W. Mid-Cities Boulevard

73 Acres

Current amenities: One flag football/ practice soccer field, one lighted softball field, playground, 1.9 mile hike/bike trail, pavilion, two lighted tennis courts, three lighted sand volleyball courts and rest-rooms

Construction –

- Little Bear Creek bank stabilization
- Trail connection to residential and commercial developments to the north

Renovation –

- Playground
- Provide paved access to tennis court and playground area
- Install new exercise equipment along trail

Maintenance –

- Drainage work along trail system

Additional amenities –

- Installation of trail lighting
- General upgrade of park signage
- Installation of additional benches and/or covered seating areas or “stopping stations” along trail

McCormick Park (Linear Neighborhood)

2190 Joyce Court

12 Acres

Current amenities: 1/3 mile hike/bike trail, gazebo and playground

Renovation –

- Provide paved access from trail to playground area

Maintenance –

- Drainage work around playground area

Additional amenities –

- Installation of additional trail lighting

Villages of Bear Creek Park (Linear / Community)

1951 Bear Creek Parkway

46.5 acres

Current amenities: Seven practice soccer fields, three-mile hike/bike trail, in-ground tree farm, amphitheater, two pavilions and one practice baseball field

Construction –

- Little Bear Creek bank stabilization
- Permanent restrooms by amphitheater
- New irrigation system
- Outdoor basketball courts by parking lot on southeast side

Redevelopment –

- Redevelop portions of the trail due to erosion

Renovation –

- Provide paved access from parking lot to playground area

Maintenance –

- Drainage work around amphitheater
- Re-paint roof structures of pavilions
- Re-paint wooden benches along trail
- Trail signage throughout park (paint poles, replace plaques)

Additional amenities –

- Installation of trail lighting
- Install additional exercise stations along trail

Blessing Branch Park (Linear / Neighborhood)

408 E. Denton Drive

7.3 acres

Current amenities: swing set

Construction –

- Paved trail connection from Main Street to Fuller-Wiser Road
- Playground
- Picnic pad(s) with grills
- Pavilion and/or gazebo
- Installation of trail lighting
- Installation of irrigation system
- Installation of drinking fountain

Midway Park (Linear / Major City)

300 E. Midway Drive

21.2 acres

Current amenities: One lighted baseball field, two lighted tennis courts, playgrounds, swimming pool.

*Construction – to be determined after aquatic facility is finalized**Renovation – to be determined after aquatic facility is finalized**Additional amenities – to be determined after aquatic facility is finalized*Heritage Park (Neighborhood)

201 Cullum Drive

4.1 acres

Current amenities: Ruth Millican Center, Fuller House, Himes Log House, McCormick Barn, playground and ¼ mile walking trail

Construction –

- Installation of trail lighting
- Expand parking lot

Renovation –

- Upgrade playground
- Provide paved access from trail to playground

Maintenance –

- Drainage in and around playground area
- Upgrade/install new irrigation system

Additional amenities –

- Install benches along trail
- Install new park signs
- Install additional drinking fountains

Wilshire Park (Neighborhood)

315 Sierra Drive

5.6 acres

Current amenities: Swimming pool, playground, pond, fishing pier and ¼ mile walking trail

Construction –

- Covered seating/picnic areas along trail
- Install small gazebo on south end of park

Renovation –

- Upgrade playground
- New park entrance sign

Additional amenities –

- Install drinking fountain(s)
- Install trail lighting along trail
- Install additional benches along trail

J.A. Carr Park (Neighborhood)

508 Simmons Drive

8.7 acres

Current amenities: ½ mile walking trail, gazebo, playground, sand volleyball court and Simmons Senior Center

Construction –

- Boyd Branch Creek bank stabilization
- Trail connection to Kiddie Carr Park
- Install fence along west end of park next to creek

Maintenance –

- Drainage work near creek on west side of park
- Raise trail in low areas near creek that are prone to hold water

Additional amenities –

- Install additional benches along trail
- Upgrade trail lighting along trail

Kiddie Carr Park (Neighborhood)

800 Pauline

4 acres

Current amenities: Greenhouse and outdoor basketball courts

Construction –

- Boyd Branch Creek bank stabilization
- Install small pavilion
- Construct trail system to connect to JA Carr Park
- Playground area
- Park lighting
- Concrete picnic stations with grills
- Irrigation system within park

Redevelopment –

- Parking lot

Renovation –

- Green house and potted tree farm for programming with recreation division

Maintenance –

- Rework park drainage towards creek
- Address drainage issues within greenhouse area
- Address fence issues, possibly with bollards

Additional amenities –

- Install benches within park by playground
- Trail lighting
- Drinking fountain(s)
- Bulk storage bins at greenhouse
- Container storage for chemicals

South Euless Park (Neighborhood)

600 S. Main Street

5 acres

Current amenities: Swimming pool, Splash Island, Old North Main Bridge, swing set and outdoor basketball court

Construction –

- Provide paved access to park or through easement on south side of park from neighborhood

Renovation –

- Install additional concrete picnic stations with grills
- Resurface basketball court
- Add landscape features along creek (rocks and/or water feature)

Maintenance –

- Repaint/resurface aquatic playground

Additional amenities –

- Install park lighting
- Install benches around playground area
- Install bench by basketball court
- Install additional drinking fountain

West Park (Linear / Community)

600 Westpark Way

21 acres

Current amenities: Two youth lighted softball fields/soccer field, one dedicated youth softball field and a playground

Construction –

- Install pavilion and/or shade structure on east end of park

Redevelopment –

- Eliminate dirt infields on multi-use fields

Renovation –

- Provide paved, ADA access from parking lot to playground
- Upgrade field lighting (fixtures)

Additional amenities –

- Install additional water fountain(s)

Lakewood Tennis Courts (Special Purpose)

1600 Donley Drive

Current amenities: Two lighted tennis courts

Renovation –

- Resurface tennis courts
- Provide ADA access into tennis courts

Maintenance –

- Upgrade tennis court lighting
- Install new wind screen around tennis courts

Trailwood Park (Linear / Neighborhood)

500 Trailwood Drive

11 acres

Current amenities: Playground, ½ mile hike/bike trail

Construction –

- Install new gazebo/pavilion
- Parking lot / offstreet parking
- Non-paved nature trail on east end of park

Renovation –

- Upgrade playground area
- Provide paved access into playground area

Maintenance –

- Upgrade park lighting
- Address drainage problems

Additional amenities –

- Install benches along trail
- Install trail lighting

The Preserve at McCormick Park (Linear / Neighborhood)

2005 Fuller-Wiser Road

27 acres

Current amenities: ½ mile hike/bike trails, nature trail, historic tree grove, playground, fishing pier, three ponds, boardwalk, outdoor classroom and a gazebo

Construction –

- Little Bear Creek bank stabilization
- Construct trail connection along north side of west pond

Renovation –

- Drainage near playground
- Drainage along trail

Additional amenities –

- Install trail lighting

TEXAS STAR SPORTS CENTRE

The Texas Star Sports Centre includes (1) Texas Star Golf Course and Conference Centre, (2) Softball World at Texas Star, (3) The Parks at Texas Star and (4) The Dr Pepper StarCenter. The Texas Star Sports Centre has brought a tremendous amount of prestige to the City of Euless. Providing year-round active and passive recreational opportunities to the residents of Euless, state of Texas and across the nation, the Texas Star Sports Centre has been the site of numerous district, state, national and world championships in baseball, soccer, golf and hockey. It is estimated that more than 500,000 players, visitors, patrons and spectators are brought to the City of Euless because of these outstanding facilities.

Softball World at Texas Star (Special Purpose)

1375 West Euless Boulevard

16.7 acres

Originally constructed in 1982, the City of Euless bought Softball World in 1996 and has operated the softball complex as an enterprise fund since that time. Twice recognized as the Softball Complex of the year, Softball World is recognized for creating a premier softball experience for both the player and spectator. Featuring four lighted softball fields with electronic scoreboards, a full service pro shop and concession stand, indoor restrooms, office space, an upstairs rest area for the umpires, a 245 space paved parking lot, and a covered playground, this facility plays host to both league and tournament play 10 months of the year. Since its inception, Softball World has been known for its level of play and competition. Since 2003, there have been many improvements to the facility that include (1) rebuilding all four infields, (2) adding on irrigation system, (3) adding a full-time maintenance position, (4) updating the concession area, (5) re-sodding the area around the infields, (6) repairing the roof, (7) re-opening the pro-shop, and (8) re-landscaping the front entry.

Construction –

- Expansion of parking lot

Renovation –

- Replace dirt infields with synthetic turf
- Laser level outfield
- Re-sod outfield with tif bermuda
- Repaint pavilions inside facility
- Add roof covers over dugouts

Maintenance –

- Add masonry storage bins for grounds maintenance

Additional amenities –

- Replace picnic tables
- Replace trash receptacles
- Add picnic tables outside of field areas by parking lot

Parks at Texas Star (Major City / Special Purpose)

1501 S. Pipeline Road

82 acres

The Parks at Texas Star opened in 1998 and was quickly recognized as being the best youth athletic park in the area. This facility is one of the gems that was born from the passage of the half-cent sales tax in the City of Euless. Currently, the parks consists of eight baseball fields, seven soccer fields, a playground, pavilion, amphitheater, machine pitch and live pitch batting cages, and a concession stand.

Since its opening, the Parks at Texas Star has played host to numerous state, national and world tournaments and has hosted hundreds of thousands of games for players of all talent levels. In 2007, the City of Euless began the Parks at Texas Star Baseball League, and in its first year the league registered over 950 kids. The park also hosts many local and outside sports associations as well as club sports programs such as the Euless Girls Softball Association, the Bedford/Euless Soccer Association, Bear Creek Baseball Association, National Adult Baseball Association and numerous private schools.

Presently, there is undeveloped property within the Parks at Texas Star that is shown on a previously prepared master plan. Recent development of the park and an increase in participation has necessitated an update to that plan. An updated site master plan should be prepared before the build-out of this property. The master plan may include other uses as recommended by the Parks and Leisure Services Board and/or deemed by the Euless City Council.

Current amenities: Playground, pavilion, 8 baseball fields, 7 soccer fields, Dr Pepper StarCenter, batting cages and restrooms

Construction –

- Additional parking on south side of park
- Additional baseball fields (10U, 12U and 60/90)
- Shade shelter for spectators and umpires by soccer fields
- Additional storage building in conjunction with parking lot
- Grade undeveloped area of park for future practice fields
- Pedestrian access from south side of park

Renovation –

- Additional drainage in amphitheater, north of pavilion
- Electronic scoreboards on Shea and Fenway
- Field lights on Shea and Fenway
- Metal dugout covers on Shea and Fenway

Maintenance –

- Repaint/replace wooden outfield fences
- Replace shade canopies by batting cages
- New scoreboards (LED) in four-plex

Additional amenities –

- Install shade covers for benches around playground
- Install new exercise equipment
- Install shade covers for picnic stations

Dr Pepper StarCenter

Home of the 1999 Stanley Cup Champions, the Dr Pepper StarCenter in Euless opened in April 2000. The center, which features two sheets of ice, offers general skating, hockey lessons, figure skating lessons, hockey leagues for all ages and skill levels as well as meeting space for parties, private functions and a full-line pro shop. The city of Euless Parks and Community Services Department partners with the Dr Pepper StarCenter on several events throughout the year including IceFest, the nationally recognized 4-Sport Challenge, Arbor Daze and many other events for the citizens of Euless.

The Needs Assessment is comprehensive and has extensive data to support capital improvement needs and key recommendations. Additional documented inventories are included in this report to demonstrate the importance of meeting the needs of our citizens.

Please refer to the participation inventories shown in the following tables as it directly relates to some of the recommendations contained within this plan.

TABLE 14**Inventory of Participation in Youth Soccer**

(Participation numbers are for both boys and girls teams registered for that season)

Youth Soccer	2010 SPRING	2010 FALL	2011 SPRING	2011 FALL	2012 SPRING	2012 FALL	2013 SPRING	2013 FALL
U4	NA	22	36	48	45	40	37	33
U5	73	54	64	66	82	80	64	63
U6	92	98	96	77	94	95	90	88
U7	86	102	118	105	108	107	104	100
U8	68	83	91	109	97	95	84	67
U9	97	73	57	83	83	82	90	95
U10	82	94	103	72	86	90	91	91
U11	70	67	77	103	110	109	102	99
U12	60	73	78	71	62	62	69	82
U13	30	47	41	54	43	40	89	91
U14		33	36	31	32	35	53	54
U15	54	19	13	26	32	36	37	46
U16	33	17	20	18	16	17	18	
U17		18	15	20	19	18	16	
U19	28	9	15	29	16	16	15	17
Total	773	809	860	912	942	922	959	958

TABLE 15
Inventory of Participation in Flag Football

Flag Football	2010 Teams	2011 Teams	2012 Teams	2013 Teams
Adult 8 on 8 Fall	0	0	0	0
Adult 8 on 8 Winter	0	0	0	0
Adult 4 on 4 Fall	18	20	12	12
Adult 4 on 4 Winter	12	14	12	12
Total # of Teams	30	34	24	24

TABLE 16
Inventory of Participation in Youth Baseball

Youth Baseball	2010 Teams	2011 Teams	2012 Teams	2013 Teams
Rookie T-Ball	18	16	19	20
U6	12	13	15	16
A & AA U8	25	23	18	18
A & AA U10	21	19	15	22
A & AA U12	19	18	25	25
14 A, AA	0	12	10	12
AAA Age 9	NA	NA	N/A	N/A
AAA Age 10	NA	NA	N/A	6
AAA Age 11	8	NA	N/A	N/A
AAA Age 12	NA	16	N/A	N/A
AAA Age 13	6	7	13	10
AAA Age 14	16	13	10	13
Total # of Teams	130	142	125	142

TABLE 17
Inventory of Participation in Adult Basketball

Adult Basketball	2011 Teams	2012 Teams	2013 Teams
Men's Winter	6	6	8
Men's Summer I	10	6	6
Men's Summer II	0	0	0
Women's Winter	8	10	10
Women's Summer I	10	10	10
Women's Summer II	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total # of Teams	34	32	34

**The rec center was closed for a portion of 2009 due to renovation.*

TABLE 18
Inventory of Participation at Softball World

	2010	2011	2012	2013
Leagues	1700	2024	1933	1914
Tournaments	1190	1248	1228	1339

The Parks and Leisure Services Board and staff recognize that the resident's recreation needs exceed current available funding. It is important for the readers of this report to keep in mind that these unmet needs will continue to exist and grow even if funding is available or developed. This report will guide park planners, operators and managers to most efficiently use the funding that is available to best deliver park and recreation facilities and services in the most appropriate and equitable manner.



**TABLE 19
SENIOR CENTER**

	FY '09	FY '10	FY '11	FY '12	FY '13
Senior Center Attendance	16,116	14,843	38,200	50,455	33,410
Number of Trips Taken	6	15	13	18	86
Number of Senior Meals Served	3605	3336	4853	5,653	4,629

Since the adoption of the Parks Master Plan in 2008, the City of Euless completed construction of the Midway Family Life Center, satisfying the number one need of the citizens that was identified in the survey



Refer to the following table, “Inventory of Participation at Midway Recreation Center”

TABLE 20

Activity	FY 2009	FY 2010*	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Racquetball	3,756	2,518	3,792	5,035	3,804
Track	11,742	16,748	15,143	14,511	15,835
Gymnasium	51,516	16,023	43,187	50,346	57,397
Fitness Center	38,612	18,037**	47,287	52,553	63,283
Memberships Sold	3,703	2,433	4,337	3,654	5,137
Adult Classes	8,763	5,714	10,297	7,531	3,468
Total Visits	112,439	54,333	127,249	144,296	176,102

*Recreation Center was closed for renovation. ** Visits to Stroud’s Fitness

The Recreation Center component of the Family Life Center has enjoyed an increase in participation from an average attendance of about 93,400 annually to over 127,000 in 2011 (the first full year of operation in the new center). With approximately 7,500 square feet of new, programmable space, including the fitness center, staff is able to offer new and exciting programs and classes to our citizens. With over 4,300 members we are now able to offer more youth programs, fitness-related programs, accommodate parents wanting to work out with our drop-in child care room, better serve our summer camp participants and program specifically for the teens of Euless with the new “Teen Room”.

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION AND PRIORITIZATION OF NEEDS

This update to the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan was developed to serve as the guide for public policy and as an aide for decision-making related to the availability, quality, and type and location of passive and active recreation opportunities for the residents of Euless. A primary focus of this Plan is the identification of priorities for improvements and the means of implementation. Two separate lists of priority needs have been prepared for the City of Euless. One list is for outdoor recreation, and the other list is for indoor recreation.

Perhaps the most important aspect of an implementation program is the commitment required from elected and appointed officials, City staff and citizens. The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan must reflect the needs and desires of these individuals in order to be considered a useful tool in directing future decision-making pertaining to the acquisition, development and management of an adequate parks and recreation system.

The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan should be periodically reviewed to ensure that the goals, objectives and recommended actions reflect the changing demographics and expected future growth of the City of Euless. Additionally, the Director of Parks & Community Services should provide a progress briefing to the Parks and Leisure Services Board as well as the City Council on an annual basis to allow monitoring of the steps taken toward implementation and the impact of the improvements.

Prioritization of Projects –

Based on the goals, needs and desires that have evolved through the research, standards development and public input in the Plan, the priorities in ranked order are listed below. The funding for the projects should be a combination of current fund expenditures, bond funds, reserve funds, grants, donations, in-kind services, partnerships and volunteer participation.

City of Euless Indoor Recreation Needs

Project: Remodel of Simmons Center

Priority: High

Project Description: With the opening of the new senior center in 2011, staff realized an overwhelming need to re-open the Simmons Center as a multi-use recreational facility for classes, programs, camps, and rental opportunities. Since the senior groups has moved over to their new building, staff has facilitated 121 rentals in 2012 and 127 in 2013 with an estimated 12,500 people attending these rentals. In addition, staff programs the facility for ongoing programs such as Hapkito, fitness related classes, Tae Kwon Do and the Summer Adventure Camp.

Project: Expand Fitness Center – Family Life Center

Priority: High

Project Description: In 2011, the City opened the newly renovated Family Life Center which included the construction of a new 5000 square foot fitness center. In its first year of operation over 47,000 members utilized the facility. Participation has steadily increased each year and in FY '13, that number topped 63,000 visits. With limited space for additional equipment to meet both the member's demands and industry trends in fitness, there is a growing need for additional space to provide these opportunities to meet the fitness needs for all members of the Family Life Center.

City of Euless Outdoor Recreation Needs

Project: Acquisition of Additional Property for Future Outdoor Recreation Needs

Priority: High

Project Description: As the City approaches build out, it is extremely important that we look for opportunities to acquire additional land either through purchase or through in kind donation for future outdoor recreational use. Additional park land and/or open space would afford us the opportunity to meet future needs as listed in this plan.

Project: Texas Star Sports Complex Phase V

Priority: High

Project Description: This project incorporates the construction of four additional multi-use playing fields (four-plex), an additional 60/90 field and additional parking to support the new phase. This addition could also incorporate a multi-use, all-season playing surface within the four-plex that would allow for additional recreational sports programming, baseball and softball league and tournament play, and even girls fast pitch softball. With the loss of three fields due to the expansion/construction of the Family Life Center at Midway Park, this project will ensure that the Texas Star Sports Complex is positioned as a premier facility that serves the athletic and recreational programming needs of the City.

Project: Fitness Park/Challenge Course

Priority: High

Project Description: A 2012 worldwide survey conducted by the American College of Sports Medicine identified the top twenty health and fitness related trends that programmers should consider for applying it to their own community. Identified at number fourteen on the list (up from number 27 the previous year) is outdoor fitness related activities. One assumption for the upward trend is that outdoor activities allow families and friends to spend precious time together, allows an individual to put their mind at rest and put their energy into the physical aspect of their body and best of all enjoy the benefits of getting fit without even realizing that one is actually exercising. Proposed to be located along an existing trail, this project would include multiple exercise stations all located within a specific area to allow for multiple types of outdoor workouts. The area could also be programmed by staff to include a fitness instructor for family fitness classes or boot camp type activities during the evenings. With the proper selection of outdoor equipment, this project would also address other top trends as identified in the survey including, strength training (#2), fitness programs for older adults (#3), exercise for weight loss (#4), fitness programs to address children and obesity (#5) and group fitness training.

Project: Little Bear Creek Bank Stabilization

Priority: High

Project Description: Each year the City of Euless loses valuable park land due to ongoing erosion along Little Bear Creek corridor. The update to the plan in 2002 also pinpointed this as a major concern. If the erosion problems aren't addressed within the timeframe that this plan covers, the City stands to lose even more park land, trails, trees, and additional amenities currently found in our parks system. It is recommended that funding be allocated to a "Creek Bank Stabilization" program to address these problems either on a yearly basis or in a phased project. It is important to remember that the park land lost to erosion will never be gained back.

Project: Trailwood Park Improvements

Priority: Moderate

Project Description: Trailwood Park is an eleven acre site that currently has a playground and a half-mile hike/bike trail. This project includes the installation of a new pavilion, a parking lot, upgraded playground to meet American with Disabilities Act standards, park lighting, new park signs, benches along the trail, and trail lighting. As identified in this Plan, the municipal park is the foundation of any solid parks and recreation system. This proposed project will continue those efforts by creating an area that will serve both the passive and active leisure needs of the residents in the vicinity.

CITY OF EULESS TRAIL SYSTEM NEEDS

Project: Glade Parks Trail Connection

Priority: High

Project Description: Construction of a trail that will connect the existing trail at Creekwood Estates, run underneath the northbound service road, SH 121, and the southbound service road to the southeast corner of the Glade Parks Development. Very high interest in trails and trail connectivity was identified in the scientific survey conducted for the parks master plan. 88% of those who participated in the survey singled out trail connections between existing and future park developments as the number one priority. Additionally, 76% identified the need for trail connectivity to other cities as a top priority.

Project: Little Bear Creek Bank Stabilization

Priority: High

Project Description: The citizens of Euless recognize the importance of preserving and maintaining what we currently have in our parks system. Each year the City of Euless loses valuable park land due to ongoing erosion along the Little Bear Creek corridor. The update to the Plan in 2002 also pinpointed this as a major concern. If the erosion problems aren't addressed within the timeframe that this Plan covers, the City stands to lose even more park land, trails, trees, and additional amenities currently found in our parks system. It is recommended that funding be allocated to a "Creek Bank Stabilization" program to address these problems either on a yearly basis or in a phased project. It is important to remember that the park land lost to erosion will never be gained back.

Project: Blessing Branch Park Improvements

Priority: High

Project Description: Blessing Branch Park is a 7.3 acre linear park located on the east side of Main Street across from Midway Park and the Euless Family Life Center. Currently, the park has only one swing set. This project includes construction of a trail connection from Main Street to the west and Fuller-Wiser to the east. Additionally, the project includes a new playground, picnic pads with grills, and some type of shade shelter/pavilion/gazebo. This area currently gets a high volume of foot traffic from school age children as well as others walking back and forth to and from schools located nearby as well as to and from the Family Life Center. Constructing a trail in this linear greenbelt would not only provide a safe paved access for those residents but also help create a renewed sense of quality of life for the residents in that area by enhancing the recreational amenities available. The number one request from Euless citizens as it relates to trails, based on the responses to the needs assessment survey was to construct trail connections between existing and/or future park developments. This project not only satisfies that request, but also provides trail connections to neighborhoods, schools, between major thoroughfares, and potentially to future commercial developments to the southeast.

Project: Trail Enhancement

Priority: High

Project Description: The trails system is a valuable asset to the community as it assists not only in providing a safe means for non-vehicular travel, but also in providing an opportunity for a variety of unstructured, low-impact recreational pursuits. The development and maintenance of the trails system continues to receive significant support from the citizens. This project consists of necessary trail improvements as identified in this Plan to include such amenities as additional water fountains, additional benches, construction of shaded seating areas along the trail, addition and/or installation of new exercise equipment along the trails, picnic stations, and construction of additional pedestrian bridges in high water areas. Also identified is the need to address various areas along our trail system that might need to be converted from unpaved to paved trails.

Project: Trail Connection South Euless

Priority: Moderate

Project Description: There is a very high interest in trails and trail connectivity as identified in the scientific survey. Eighty-eight percent of those participating in the survey identified the need for trail connections between neighborhoods and parks. Additionally, sixty-eight percent identified the need for trail connectivity to schools as a top priority. This project would allow for a safe access to South Euless Park from adjacent neighborhoods as well as South Euless Elementary from the surrounding neighborhood.

TRAIL PRIORITY OF NEEDS

- Priority 1 - Acquisition of property and/or easement(s)
- Priority 2 - Construction of trail(s)
- Priority 3 - Construction of trail-related improvement(s)
- Priority 4 - Construction of parking and related facilities
- Priority 5 - Construction of shade shelters and related facilities

OTHER ITEMS AS IDENTIFIED IN THE SCIENTIFIC SURVEY

Listed below are other items that were specifically listed as “wants” or “needs” by our citizens. These items, although important to the overall development of the City of Euless parks system, didn’t receive enough support to justify recommendations at this time or have been listed in the detailed list of specific park needs found in the Needs Assessment section of the plan. As other projects are completed, items listed below will move up on the Plan Implementation and Prioritization of Needs section of the plan.

- Construction of additional tennis courts
- Construction of additional pavilions/gazebos
- Construction of additional dog park
- Construction of outdoor basketball courts
- Construction of a disk golf course
- Construction of additional playgrounds

RESOURCES

Examples of resources which may be used for the acquisition and construction of outdoor and indoor parks, recreation and open space are identified generally below. Each source of funds or assets is generally described and in some cases examples are given. In some instances the local match for a grant from Texas Parks & Wildlife Department is identified.

HALF-PENNY SALES TAX

The half-penny sales tax was approved by the citizens of Euless on January 16, 1993. Revenue generated by this tax is dedicated to the library, parks, and economic development opportunities. Since the tax passed, Euless has used these funds to provide a higher quality of life for its citizens.

Park projects funded from the half-penny tax include

- Phases I, II, III and IV of the Parks at Texas Star
- Park land acquisition
- Additional park lighting
- Additional park irrigation
- Constructed additional hike and bike trails
- Upgrading of park infrastructure
- Renovation of existing facilities
- Upgrading and/or installing new playground equipment
- Upgrading of miscellaneous park structures
- Preservation of natural areas
- Wetland preservation

Although debt service and maintenance costs for projects funded since its inception make up a very large portion of the half-penny fund, the recent increases in sales tax have provided additional funding which may be available to presently fund some small capital projects. Continued growth will provide additional funding for future capital expenditures.

MUNICIPAL GENERAL FUND

The general fund is generally used for the day-to-day operational expenses of the Parks and Community Services Department. Examples of expenditures from this fund include staff salaries, equipment and land maintenance, chemical applicators, botanical supplies, athletic field supplies, and irrigation supplies. Additionally, general funds may be budgeted for improvements and/or operational costs related to recreational programs, both indoor and outdoor. Examples of these types of expenditures would include recreation staff (full and part-time), staff training, and recreation supplies, supplies for the senior center, and equipment purchases and replacements.

CAR RENTAL TAX

In November 1999, Euless citizens approved a 5% tax to be collected on all short-term motor vehicle rentals within the city limits. In the spring of 2000, the DFW airport opened a consolidated car rental facility within the city limits of Euless. The funds generated from this facility are equally divided among Euless, Dallas and Fort Worth due to a revenue sharing agreement established in FY '08. The Euless City Council stipulated three areas to expend the funds generated from the car rental tax. Those areas include debt reduction, new projects and general funds. The rental car tax fund could assist parks and community services in all three of these areas.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE IN-KIND ASSETS

Donations may be made by individuals, corporations, civic organizations or institutions in the form of labor, equipment, materials, land and even cash as part of a local match in an application for a grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The sponsor or cities own personnel or equipment may qualify as part of the local match through in-kind or force account work records.

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Bond funds may be used for outdoor or indoor parks, recreation and open space acquisition and/or construction of recreational facilities. The general obligation bonds related to parks and recreation opportunities in the past include those listed in Table 21 "Park and Recreation Bonds."

TABLE 21
 Park and Recreation Bonds

Date	Amount	Purpose
05-01-1988	\$430,000	Park & Recreation Improvements
09-11-1979	\$200,000	Parks
10-21-1975	\$300,000	Parks
01-08-1974	\$300,000	Purchase Land for Parks
07-23-1968	\$100,000	Purchase Land for Parks
07-12-1966	\$ 75,000	Park Improvements
06-22-1965	\$ 75,000	Park Land
09-01-1964	\$100,000	Park Land

TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT GRANTS

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission administers a number of grants for the acquisition and development of local community parks and facilities. Additionally, this commission, through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD), administers a number of Educational and Technical Assistance Programs. The following only deals with grants for which the City of Euless may be eligible. These grant programs include (1) the outdoor grant program, (2) indoor recreation grant program, and (3) the regional park grant program. These grants are funded through a portion of the Texas sales tax received on selected sporting goods. The amount received is contained in a bill passed by the legislature and signed by the governor. Grants are processed by the TPWD Recreation Grants Branch, referred to as the Texas Recreation and Parks Account (TRPA).

The other grant program for which the City of Euless may be eligible is a Recreational Trail Grant. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) administers the National Recreational Trails Fund with the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This fund receives funding from a portion of the federal gas taxes paid on fuel from non-highway recreational vehicles.

The following describes these grant programs:

- (1) Outdoor Recreation Grants - This program provides a 50% matching grant to acquire or to renovate existing public recreation areas. The deadline for an application is July 31 of each year. A total of \$400,000.00 is the maximum amount in each application. The program is a reimbursement program.
- (2) Indoor Recreation (Facility) Grant - This program provides a 50% matching grant to construct recreational centers, community centers and other facilities (building). The deadline for an application is July 31 each year. A total of \$417,563.00 is the maximum amount in each application. The program is a reimbursement program.
- (3) Regional Program Grant - This program has been postponed until adequate funding is available.
- (4) Recreational Trail Grants – These grants can be up to 80% of the project cost. The deadline for submitting an application for a grant is June 1 of each year. Funds can be spent on motorized as well as non-motorized recreational trail projects such as construction of new recreational trails, improvement of existing trails, trailheads, trailside facilities, and the acquisition of trail corridors. This is also a reimbursement program.

The City of Euless has received a number of grants from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Among these are (1) Villages of Bear Creek, (2) Parks at Texas Star Phase I, (3) Preserve at McCormick Park, (4) Bob Eden Park (Little Bear Creek at time of application), and (5) South Euless and Wilshire pools.

PRIVATE SECTOR DONATIONS

Donations of property, materials, and money or funds may be made. An example of a donation of land or property is the 27 acres located along the Little Bear Creek corridor by Mr. Terry Sandlin. Presently this parcel of land is identified as “The Preserve at McCormick Park.”

FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS

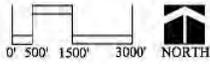
Federal appropriations (funds) in some instances may be used as the local match for a grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Funds that may not be used include those where there is a specific prohibition from use as a local match. An example of federal funds which may be used include a “pork barrel appropriation” for a specific project.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

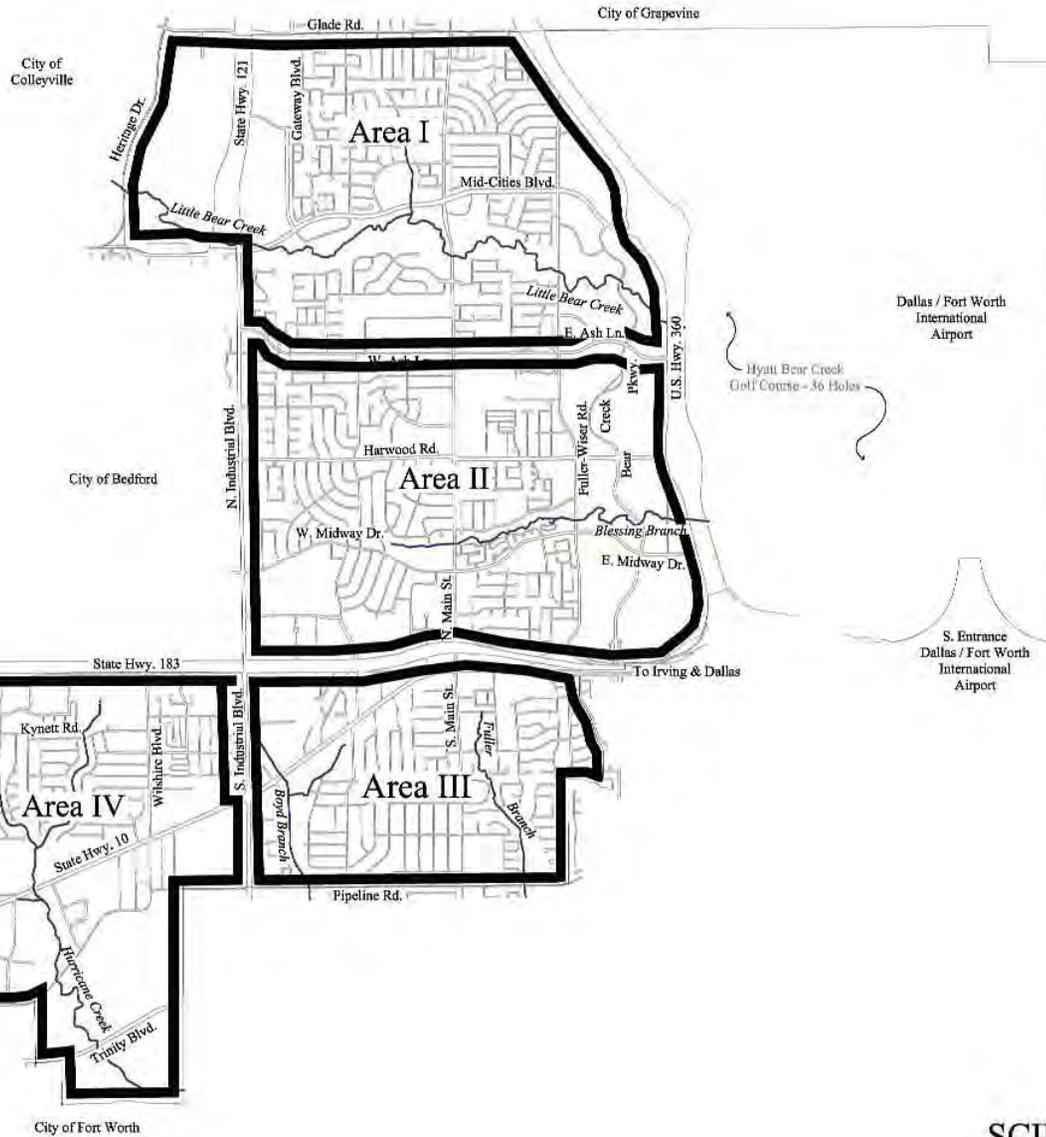
The use of CDBG funds may be used on projects which benefit persons with low and moderate incomes. The CDBG program is administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. Funding is available on an 80/20 cost share basis.

COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE FUNDS

This program is administered by the Texas Department of Forestry. Matching grants are available on a 50 percent cost-share basis for projects including trails and greenways, beautification efforts and public education and training. Grants range in size from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and may be matched with in-kind services or private financing.



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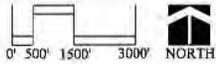
LEGEND

- Corporate Limits
- Water Courses

Respondent Percentages

Area I	35%
Area II	29%
Area III	19%
Area IV	18%

SCIENTIFIC SURVEY
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AREA BOUNDARIES



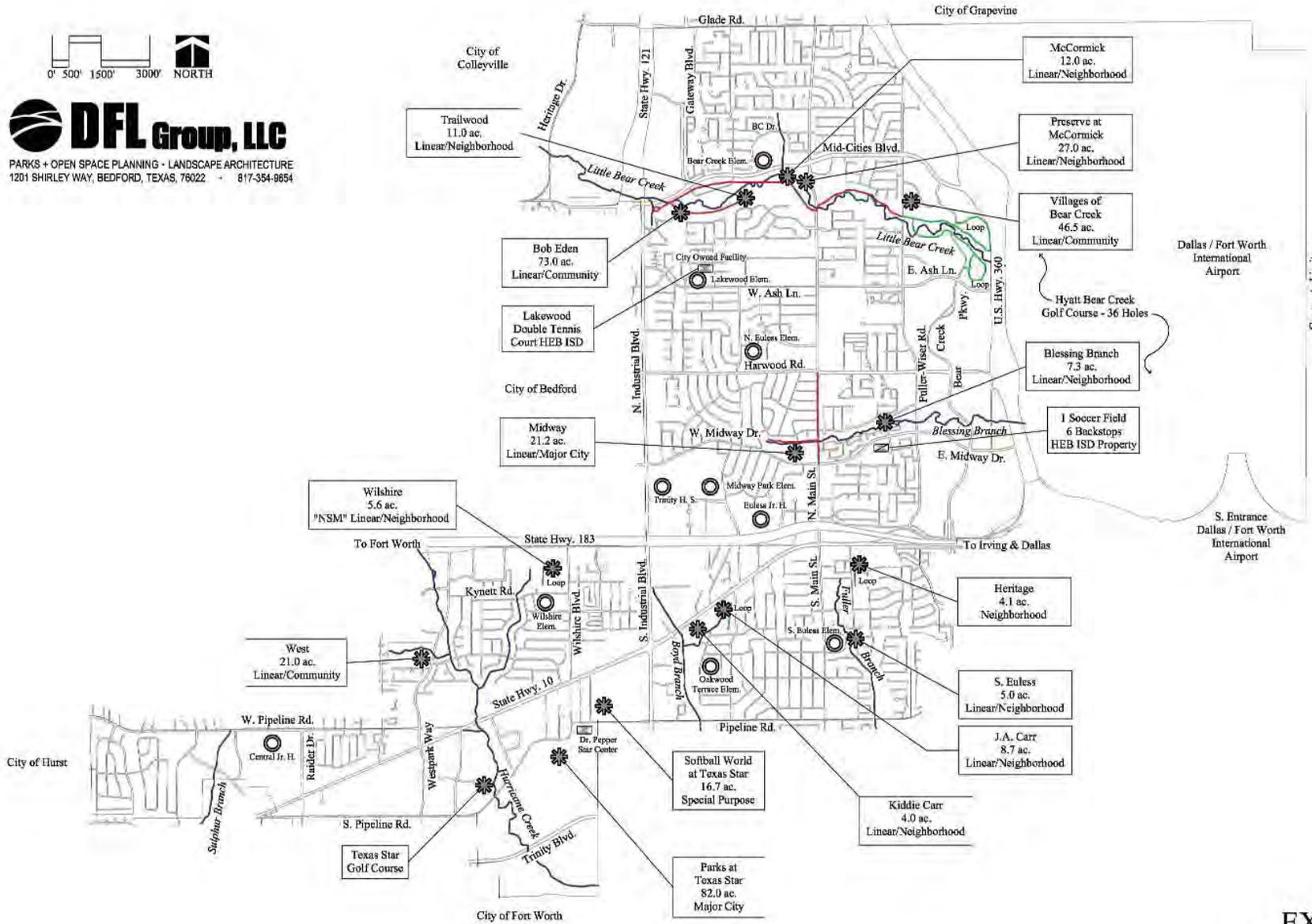
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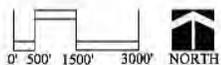
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LEGEND

- Corporate Limits
 - Water Courses
 - Park Area
 - Recreational Facility
 - School Sites - Located in the HEB Independent School District
 - Hardsurface Trail (Concrete)
 - Softsurface Trail (Crushed Limestone)
 - "NSM" Not So Much
- Note: Bear Creek Elem. - Only School in the Grapevine Colleyville Independent School District



EXISTING PARKS, FACILITIES AND SCHOOLS



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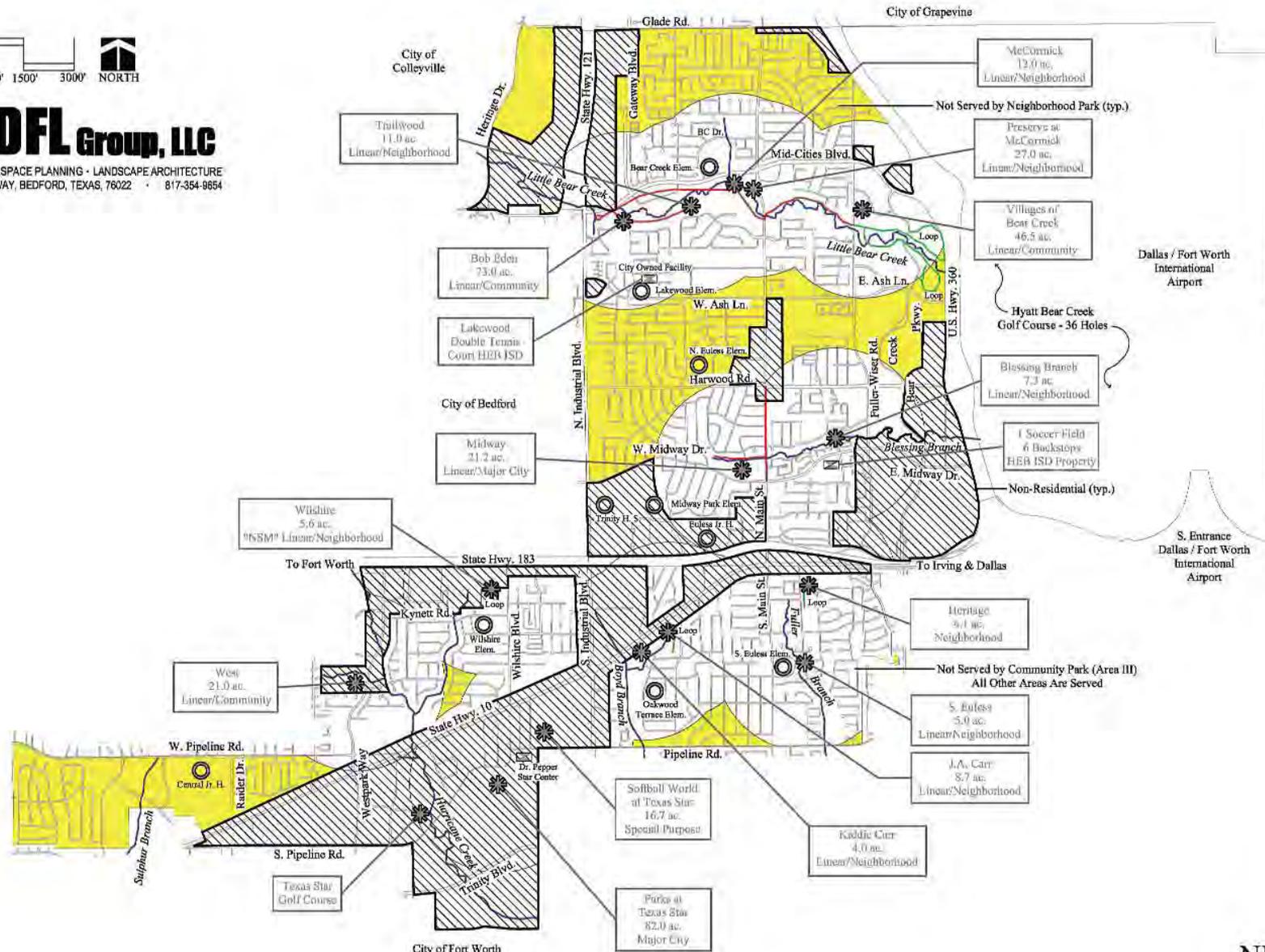
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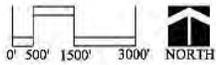
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- Water Courses
- Park Area
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- School Sites - Located in the HEB Independent School District
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- Hardsurface Trail (Concrete)
- Softsurface Trail (Crushed Limestone)
- "NSM"** Not So Much
- 1/2 Mile Neighborhood Park Service Zone
- General Non-Residential Land Use
- Area Not Served by Neighborhood Park

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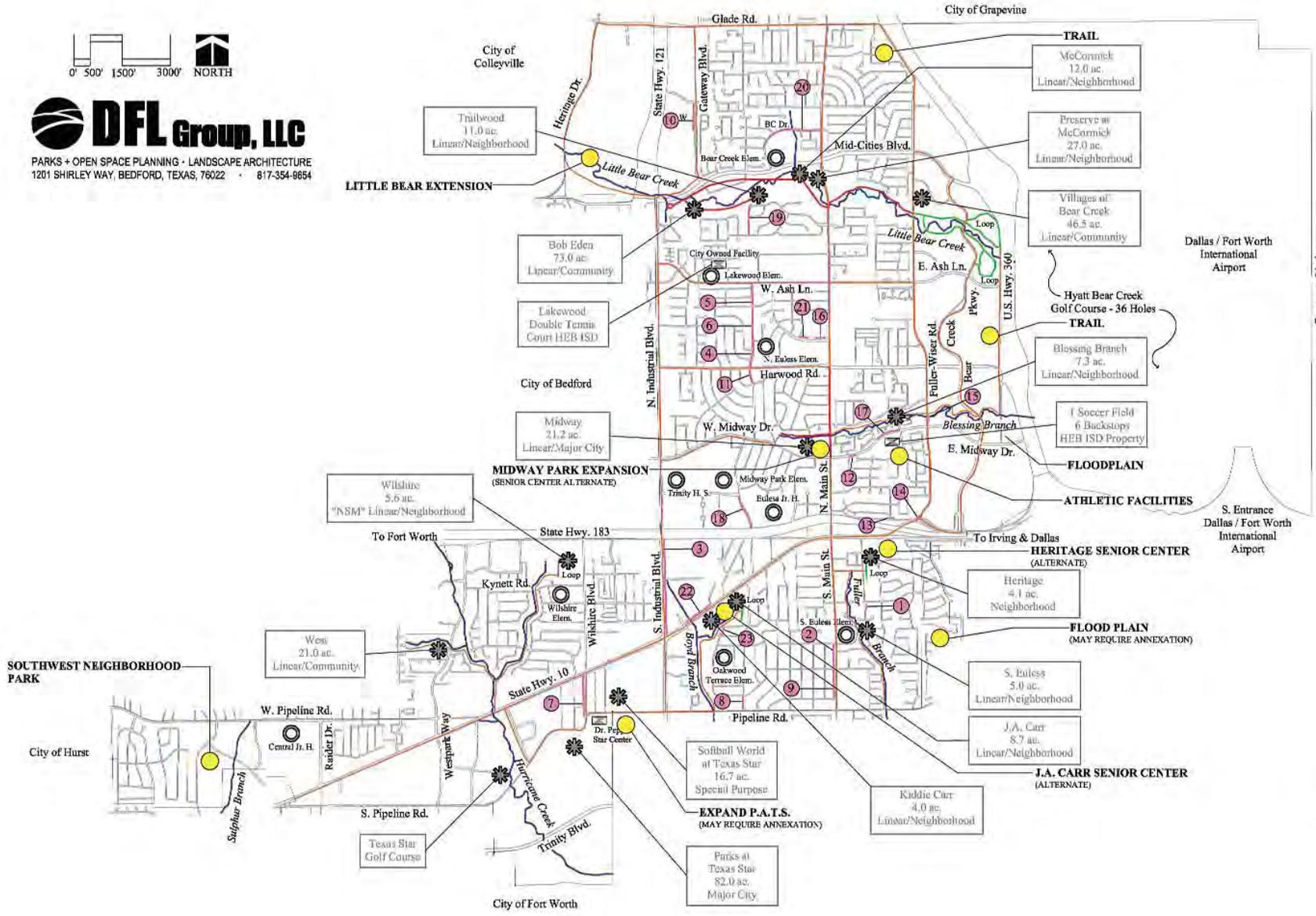
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- Hardsurface Trail (Concrete)
- Softsurface Trail (Crushed Limestone)
- "NSM" Not So Much
- Proposed Acquisition
- Multi-Year Sidewalk Plan April 2007 (Public Works Department)
- City of Euless Trail System

NOTE: Development of Trails Should Be Coordinated with Adjacent Cities



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