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MASTER PLAN UPDATE FOR  
UINTAH BASIN RECREATION DISTRICT  
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## **SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION**

INTRO

## Introduction

In 2006 VCBO & Aspen Resource Consultants partnered with the Uintah Basin Recreation District to assemble a Recreation Master Plan. The Plan created a road map for the future of Uintah County and provided a needed dialogue as the District moved forward. Much has changed in the last 6 years. Growth continues, and at a more accelerated rate than previously anticipated. Pressures on the system remain low but planning plays a more important role than ever. This update to the Master Plan will address issues that existed previously and needs that weren't included before.



The updated plan builds on previous data and recommendations for the district. Thoughtful revisions have been made incorporating new data and input from citizens and interested organizations within the District.

### **Specific elements that have been added to the dialogue:**

#### Capitalize golf course

The golf course was given minimal attention before but is now being seriously considered. The revenue potential and importance as an additional amenity give it a place in the master plan.

#### Trails system

The trails or lack thereof in Uintah County have been a topic for residents previously and continue to be. As a connector of community and facilitator of health and wellness, this asset needs to be addressed.

#### Uintah Community Center

The long anticipated and well appointed Community Center has been constructed and as can be determined, well used. By removing this large item from the wish list, many other items have been uncovered or given proper attention.

#### Indoor Court Facility

An indoor court facility is not specifically referenced in surveys and scattered mentions pointing towards a large facility are prevalent in public dialogue. Numerous recreation activities would benefit greatly with the addition of this type of a facility.

### **Specific elements that have been removed:**

#### Maeser Park

Has since been decommissioned

## Regional Background

Uintah County is a spectacular county with stunning mountain landscapes and wide open desolate stretches. It is rich in mineral deposits some of the most notable being gilsonite, oil and

natural gas. The County is dominated by federal ownership. With its proximity to Flaming Gorge, Ashley National Forest and Dinosaur National Monument, tourism has become an important economic factor.

Geographically, it covers 4,476 square miles and runs from the Colorado border on the East to Duchesne and Emery Counties on the West, Daggett County to the North and Grand County to the South. The county was established in 1880 and named for the Ute Indian Tribe whose reservation covers a large portion of the county.

Residents would like to better their community and this park master plan update is an opportunity to analyze the existing system and propose how to improve it. With a volatile economy as is found in communities heavily dependent on mineral resources, development of meaningful parks and recreation activities can indirectly encourage economic development through attracting businesses and individuals wanting to relocate.

Specifically this plan follows the path of data collection, analysis, budgets, recommendations, implementation strategies and future recommendations that could be implemented over the next 10 years.

Aspen Resource Consultants LLC and VCBO, the consulting team were commissioned to coordinate the original master plan effort. This updated plan is formulated by Elliott Workgroup LLC and Langvardt Design Group with a process based on directives from the Uintah Recreation District (URD) and past master planning experience.

## Document Structure

### **Section 2**

Data Collection focuses on specific parks defined by the URD and some of the factors influencing park planning.

### **Section 3**

Analysis evaluates the parks with respect to supply and demand, recommendations from National Recreation and Parks Association as well as comparisons with other national cities.

### **Section 4**

Recommendations assemble suggestions from Uintah County with regards to analyzed elements and labels them for countywide improvements.

### **Section 5**

Describes specific parks in terms of existing conditions as well as recommendations.

### **Section 6**

Details general recommendations for the park system.

### **Section 7**

Provides a means to accomplish park improvements over the next 10 years.

### **Section 8**

Discusses other planning avenues that should be addressed following the update of this master plan to maximize County goals.

## Goals

The overall goal of this Master Plan Update is to provide direction and continuity for the County's parks focusing on the current and projected needs through the year 2020. By providing direction to the Uintah Recreation District (URD) the following objectives can be achieved:

- Provide recreation opportunities to a community in need of youth and adult recreation outlets.
- Efficiently use Mineral Lease Funds.
- Meet current and future demand. This plan should act as a guide to Uintah County Recreation District in determining the need for expanded and future parks as well as potential recreation amenities.
- Enhance, preserve and conserve natural systems and landscapes in all park spaces.
- Obtain land to ensure properties for future parks.
- Ensure transactions (land purchases, development, trades, etc.) involving public lands never result in a decrease in the park system quality or in a loss of URD investment.
- Provide safe, functional and durable park equipment and amenities that create challenging recreational opportunities for people of all ages, interests and abilities.
- Improve the quality of the parks and park development.
- Involve citizens in park development now and in the future.

This Parks Master Plan is meant to be "user friendly" and to serve the varied needs of the Uintah Recreation District, community leaders and citizens. This is done by displaying existing conditions, providing development recommendations and giving tools to help accomplish them.

This Plan is an advisory document that is intended to act as a long-range planning tool guiding park development within the County. It should not be considered a definitive statement of location, size or a particular time frame. Moreover, the amenities shown in this plan are minimum goals of the County. If additional amenities are proposed the County would welcome more of these amenities for the benefit of its citizens.

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## **SECTION 2 - DATA COLLECTION**

DATA

Data Collection is an important step in the park master planning process in that it enables the planning team to know the existing conditions and factors influencing parks. While we could look at many other factors, the following are the ones we felt most significant to this project.

Existing Conditions  
Demographics  
Current Planning  
Current Recreation Activities  
Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan  
Public Perception through:  
• Public Surveys  
• Public Meetings

## Existing Conditions

The consultant team conducted an inventory of the County's existing parks, park facilities and their equipment (See Uintah County map and Vernal area map at the end of this section. Also see Section 5, individual park maps for existing conditions).

Each park was inspected and notes were taken in regards to the overall layout, surrounding land uses, the type, number and condition of amenities, parking spaces, pathways, and pavilions to name a few.

Specific parks that received a detailed inventory include:

1. Avalon Park
2. \*Ballard City Park
3. City/County Park
4. \*Dinaland Golf Course
5. Independence Park
6. Jensen Park
7. Kay Park
8. Lapoint Park
9. Naples Park
10. Remember the Maine Park
11. Serenity Park
12. Tridell Park

\*added with Master Plan Update

It should be noted that even though facilities such as churches and public school grounds have not been inventoried they play a meaningful role in providing recreation opportunities within the community. For example, we do know that tennis courts are present at the High School and are open to the public. However, these facilities were excluded from the inventory. Also, federal lands with many of their intrinsic recreational opportunities have been omitted from evaluation.

Other parks and recreation areas that may be significant were not included in the site inventory process, but are addressed here in abbreviated format. They include:

### County

- MX Park (5th East and 3000 North) - Motocross park
- Buckskin Hills 1200 to 2000 acre parcel within Uintah County - Uses include trap shooting, archery, miniature auto racing and an ultra-light airplane landing strip

### Lapoint

- Shooting Range

### Naples

- Roadside Park
- (6) unnamed and un-designed community parks

### Fort Duchesne

- Skate Park
- Recreation Center

### Rangely, Colorado (Outside of Uintah County, but is worth mentioning)

- Recreation Center

### Roosevelt (Outside of Uintah County, but is worth mentioning)

- Golf Course

- Constitution Park
- Planned Park
- Swimming Pool Park

Randlett

- Skate Park

Vernal

- Cobble Rock Park
- Freestone Walking Park
- Glines Park
- Kiwanis Park
- KOA Soccerfield Park
- Memory Grove Park
- Western Park - which includes (32) acres of land with a convention center, indoor arena, ice rink, museum and art gallery, amphitheater, playground, outdoor arenas, race track and parking.

White Rocks

- Skate Park
- Speedway

In the long run it is important to take an inventory of these parks in order to create a clearly defined comprehensive parks plan.

## Demographics

Compared to the size of the county its population is relatively sparse. It is however a county proud with tradition and rich with culture with activities such as the Jensen Great Pumpkin Festival, the Northern Ute Indian Pow Wow in Fort Duchesne, the Dinotri triathlon, the Vernal Outlaw Trail Ride, Outlaw Theater and PRCA Dinosaur Roundup Rodeo to name a few.

Initial population statistics projected that the county had grown only slightly since the 2000 census. With updated data, we can see that the population has actually drastically increased, by 29% or 7,364 people from 2000 to 2010.

County statistics are shown in the following table.

Demographics	2006 Master Plan	2012 Update
County Population Information		
1960	11582	
1970	12684	
1980	20506	
1990	22211	
2000	***25224	
2001	*26049	
2002	*25964	
2003	*26019	
2004	*26224	
2005	*26883	
Projected County Population		
2006	**26277	^^27747
2010	**27071	^^32588
2020	**29289	^^37950
2000 County Breakdown		
Ballard	*837	^^566
Maeser:	2855	
Naples:	*1485/***1362	^^1300
Vernal:	*7210	^^7714
2005 County Population	Projected	Actual (2006)
Ballard	*903	^^633
Maeser:	-NA-	-NA-
Naples:	*1520	^^1502
Vernal:	*7381	^^8163
2010 County Population	Projected	Actual (2010)
Ballard	*975	^^801
Maeser:	-NA-	-NA-
Naples:	*1584	^^1755
Vernal:	*7694	^^9089

<u>2020 County Projection</u>		
Ballard	*1017	^^866
Maeser:	-NA-	-NA-
Naples:	*1718	^^2055
Vernal:	*8341	^^11,163
<u>Age Characteristics:</u>		
0-5	8.40%	
5-19	30.00%	
20-24	7.00%	
25-44	25.40%	
45-54	11.70%	
55-64	19.40%	
65-85	8.90%	
> 85	1.00%	

\* Governor's Office of Planning and Budget

\*\* Governor's Office of Planning and Budget anticipated to change at the end of 2006

\*\*\* 2000 Census

^^ 2010 Census

^^^ Governor's Office of Planning and Budget 2008 Baseline Projections

According to statistics future county growth was estimated to grow 9% between 2005 and 2020, which suggests 2,406 (from 26,883 to 29,289 people) more individuals within the county. Incorporating new 2010 data, there has already been an increase of 21% with the addition of 5,705 people (from 26,883 to 32,588) from 2005 to 2010. From 2010 to 2020 there is a projected growth of 16% with an additional 5,362 people arriving to the county (up to 37,950). Clearly the energy boom has helped to foster growth.

The table suggests that Ballard population will grow by 55 (revised from a growth of 142), Naples population will grow by 357 (revised from a growth of 134), and Vernal population will grow by 2,074 (revised from a growth of 674) during the time frame of 2010 to 2020.

## Current Planning

With regards to promoting park development, planning has not been heavily developed within the county, but some strategies do exist.

### **County**

**\*\*2006 -** The County General Plan does not direct park development. Currently, the county is relying on URD for direction. The General Plan is currently under development and should be revised by the beginning of next year.

The county zoning ordinance requires developers to coordinate park development w/ the URD or create a neighborhood park maintenance district.

**\*\*2012 - Additional Information**

#### Section 2.3

Coordinate, and participate in, County and community land use, transportation, parks and recreation, and economic development planning and decision-making activities.

#### Section 3I.1

Identify and protect the County's unique natural, environmental, recreational and cultural/historical resources

Section 5e deals specifically with recreation:

"With respect to regional recreational trails and open spaces, Uintah County will work with the Uintah Recreation District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), United States Forest Service (USFS), Ute Tribe, Ashley Valley communities, and other relevant interests and agencies to develop an Ashley Valley trails plan. Once identified, these corridors should be included in the County's land use map."

Section 7d deal specifically with trails:

Uintah County residents have expressed an interest in planning for and developing a system of recreation trails within the County. Once initiated, these efforts would be coordinated with the Uintah Recreation District, various communities, property owners, and federal and state governmental entities as necessary. A critical component of the trails plan will be addressing motorized and non-motorized trail uses.

### **Ballard**

**\*\*2006 -** One purpose of the Ballard Town Planning and Zoning Ordinance as adopted in 1997 is to provide adequate provisions for open spaces.

**\*\*2012 -** The Land Use Ordinance adopted in 2009 has the same language stated.

"This Title and the regulations and restrictions contained herein are adopted and enacted for the purpose of promoting the health, safety and welfare, and promote the prosperity, improve the morals, peace and good order, comfort, convenience and aesthetics of Ballard City and its present and future inhabitants and businesses; to encourage and facilitate the orderly use, growth and development of the land within Ballard City; to protect the tax base and secure economy in municipal expenditures; to provide adequate provisions for open spaces, light, air quality, transportation and public or alternative transportation, infrastructure, public facilities, vegetation, trees and landscaping; and to promote the development of a more wholesome, serviceable and attractive town resulting from an orderly, planned use of resources."

### **Naples**

\*\*2006 - The Naples General Plan as adopted in 2002 includes verbiage on maintaining current quantity and quality of parks and recreation, preparation of a community - level parks and open space plan, cooperation with other Ashley Valley communities to develop a valley-wide trails plan and implementation of a community-level open spaces preservation plan.

Specific plans that have been created or at least identified include the expansion of Naples Park and work to develop the Ashley Creek Corridor. A community, parks and open space plan, trails plan and an open space preservation plan have yet to be created, but this Uintah Recreation District Parks Master Plan will be an excellent start to identifying park needs affecting this community.

Specific areas described as needing preservation include:

- river/stream corridors/waterways
- historical/ cultural areas
- prime agricultural areas
- prominent hillsides

As part of their city code, Naples City requires that planned unit developments dedicate land as a public park or parkway system, grant permanent open space easements on or over these spaces and comply with the Utah Condominium Ownership act. Within commercial development guidelines, developers are to "provide open space to accommodate active public life," including" squares, village greens, pocket parks and urban plazas." Subdivision developments are to provide storm detention facilities and neighborhood park areas. "Five percent of the area of each subdivision (excluding minor subdivisions) shall be set aside and maintained for storm runoff control and/ or park purposes" and "if the 5 percent land area of the subdivision is less than (4) acres in size, the developer shall pay a fee" to Naples City.

\*\*2012 - This assessment has not changed as there is no new general plan put in place. There is however a Land Use Ordinance adopted in 2008 with a chapter devoted to parks and their development. It is the intent for Naples City to develop a Parks & Recreation committee to steer decisions on parks within the city limits. This plan suggests a Master Parks Plan for the city, but that plan has not been implemented.

### **Vernal**

\*\*2006 - The Vernal General Plan as adopted in 2000 includes verbiage on maintaining current quantity and quality of parks and recreation, providing adequate recreational areas for community residents, preparing/ adopting a community level parks and open spaces plan and cooperating with the Uintah Recreation District, Uintah County and other Ashley Valley communities to develop a valley-wide trails plan.

A community level parks and open space plan and valley wide trails plan have yet to be created, but as per the previous Naples discussion, this Uintah Recreation District Master Plan will be an excellent start to identifying park needs affecting this community.

Within Planned Residential Unit Development Guidelines Vernal has some park and open space requirements. Outside of these zoning codes there are no real park requirements. The City Council has asked the planning commission to address the park requirement on a broader level.

\*\*2012 - An update to the General Plan was put in place in 2010. This plan was not readily accessible but many ideas were voiced within the Planning Commission during the General Plan approval process. A conversation commenced concerning the idea of preserving existing open space regulations. This tied into another topic of discussion. The idea of creating open space in new neighborhoods by either requiring a percentage of land dedicated to open space or imposing an impact fee to be used in creating open space or parks in other places. A combination of those two was also put forth.

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## Current Recreation Activities (2011-2012)

In order to appropriately determine park uses we need to understand current recreation activities that URD or other recreation groups are responsible for. Activities specifically related to County parks or that could be related to them are as follows:

Activity	# of Participants (2004)	# of Participants (2011)	URD Profit or Loss (2005)	URD Profit or Loss (2011)
<b>URD Activity*</b>				
Jr. Jazz	446	415	<b>-\$758</b>	<b>-\$50</b>
Men's Basketball	140	60	<b>-\$1,189</b>	\$250
Men's Softball	288	430	<b>-\$1,939</b>	\$250
Women's Softball	156	270	Not Available	\$200
Coed Softball	240	400	Not Available	\$250
Coed Volleyball	140	200	\$2,948	\$100
Volleyball 3 on 3	130	120	Not Available	\$100
Women's Volleyball	120	290	Not Available	\$100
Youth Volleyball	30	140	\$310	<b>-\$100</b>
Flag Football (Youth & Adult)	130	155	\$677	\$300
Coach Pitch	60	120	Not Available	\$0
T-ball	143	145	Not Available	\$0
Indoor Soccer	210	220	\$1,589	\$0
Itty-Bitty Ball	25	45	\$460	\$0
Tennis	20	45	Not Available	Not Available
Swim Team	Not Available	25-40	Not Available	Not Available
Teen Trips (Ski Trips)	30-45	25-40	<b>-\$114</b>	\$0
Dodge Ball	N-A	120	Not Available	\$500
Naples Splash Park	1500/month	1500/month	Not Available	Not Available
Open Swim	1500-1600/month	7,500-10,000/month	<b>-\$5,000 - \$8,000</b>	Not Available
<b>Private Activity</b>				
AYSO	536	600	Not Available	Not Available
Hockey	80	250	Not Available	Not Available
Boy's Baseball	420	500	Not Available	Not Available
Tackle Football	194	200	Not Available	Not Available
**Wrestling		300		Not Available
**Girls Softball		400		Not Available

\* With URD profit or loss of programs, utilities, coordinator wages & payroll taxes for part-time employees are not part of calculations.

\*\* New activity added to list of activities

## SCORP

Similar in its approach to this master plan the 2009 Utah Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) evaluates supply and demand of recreational needs and provides recommendations for improvements. The SCORP is not as community oriented as this plan, but it can provide useful information with regards to Uintah County facility needs.

Individuals from Naples, Vernal and the County were surveyed for the 2009 SCORP.

### Public Perception

#### **Public Surveys**

Surveys are an excellent means of collecting feedback from individuals who might not typically participate in the open setting of a public meeting. Uintah Recreation District conducted a survey in 2011 that has provided valuable data. There were two additional surveys included in the previous master plan that have been used to a lesser extent in this evaluation.

##### \*\*2006:

Of Uintah County's estimated 8,126 households (2000 Census) 4,700 are serviced by the Vernal Express weekly newspaper. With such a broad subscription base, the Express was deemed the appropriate tool to reach Uintah County.

The planning team created a survey that asked questions concerning "most-used" parks and recommended upgrades (see Appendix for sample survey). Surveys were advertised September 22nd, 2004 and were made available in the September 29th newspaper. These surveys were then to be delivered to the consultant for evaluation and statistical inclusion in the final document. Altogether, URD and the planning team collected some 282 surveys.

##### \*\*2012:

Telephone surveys were deemed an efficient way to survey. In 2011 survey monkey was used, by the Recreation District, as a platform to gather information from people throughout Uintah County. This survey include 714 people. Valuable information and insight was gathered through this survey. See Appendix for this survey.

#### Website data collection:

A website has been setup that could function in perpetuity, that collects opinions on the state of the Recreation District and all that functions under that umbrella.

#### **Public Meetings**

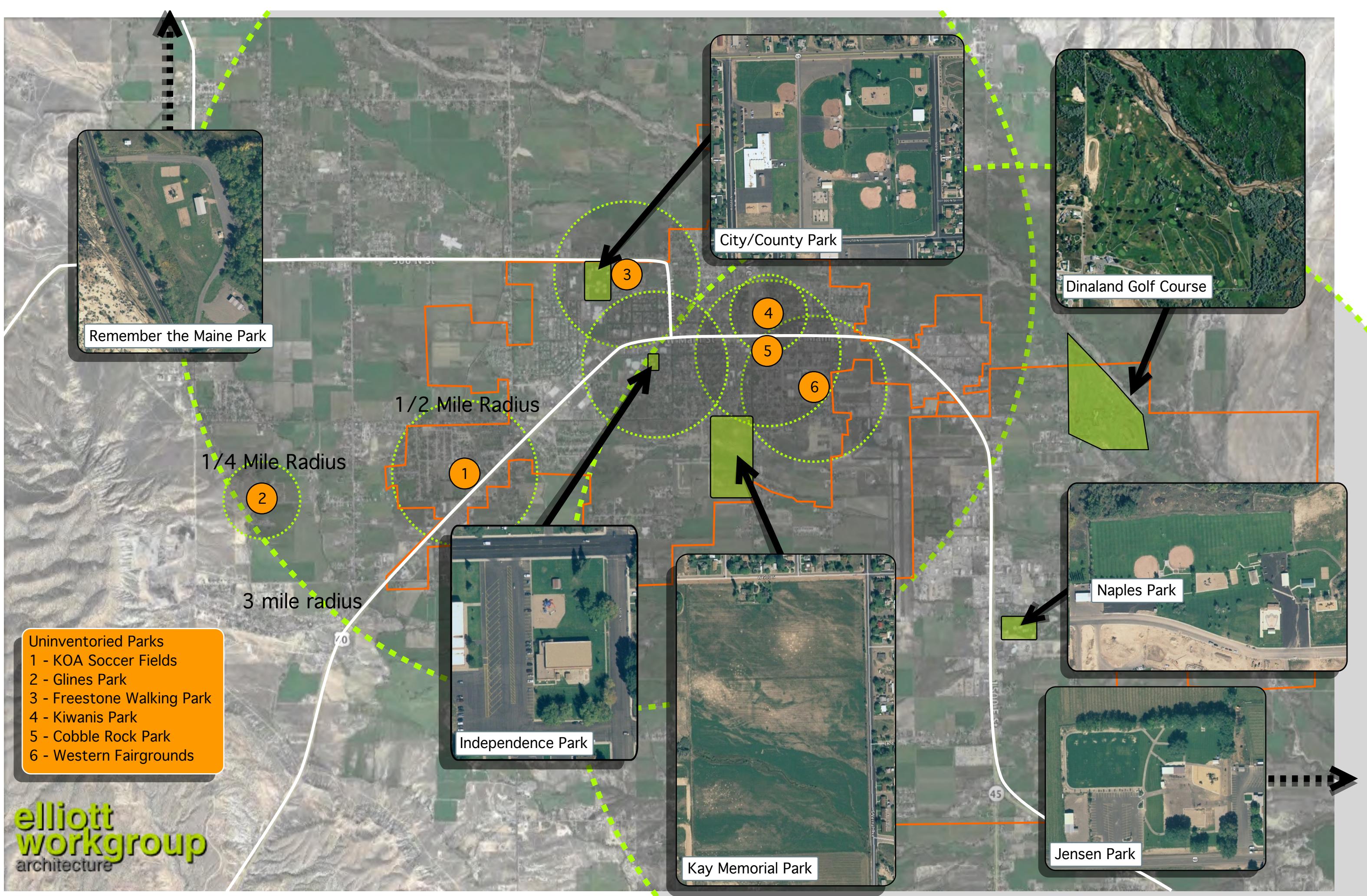
In an effort to give the community the opportunity to respond to findings and recommendations, the planning team coordinated three public meetings. Public meetings included:

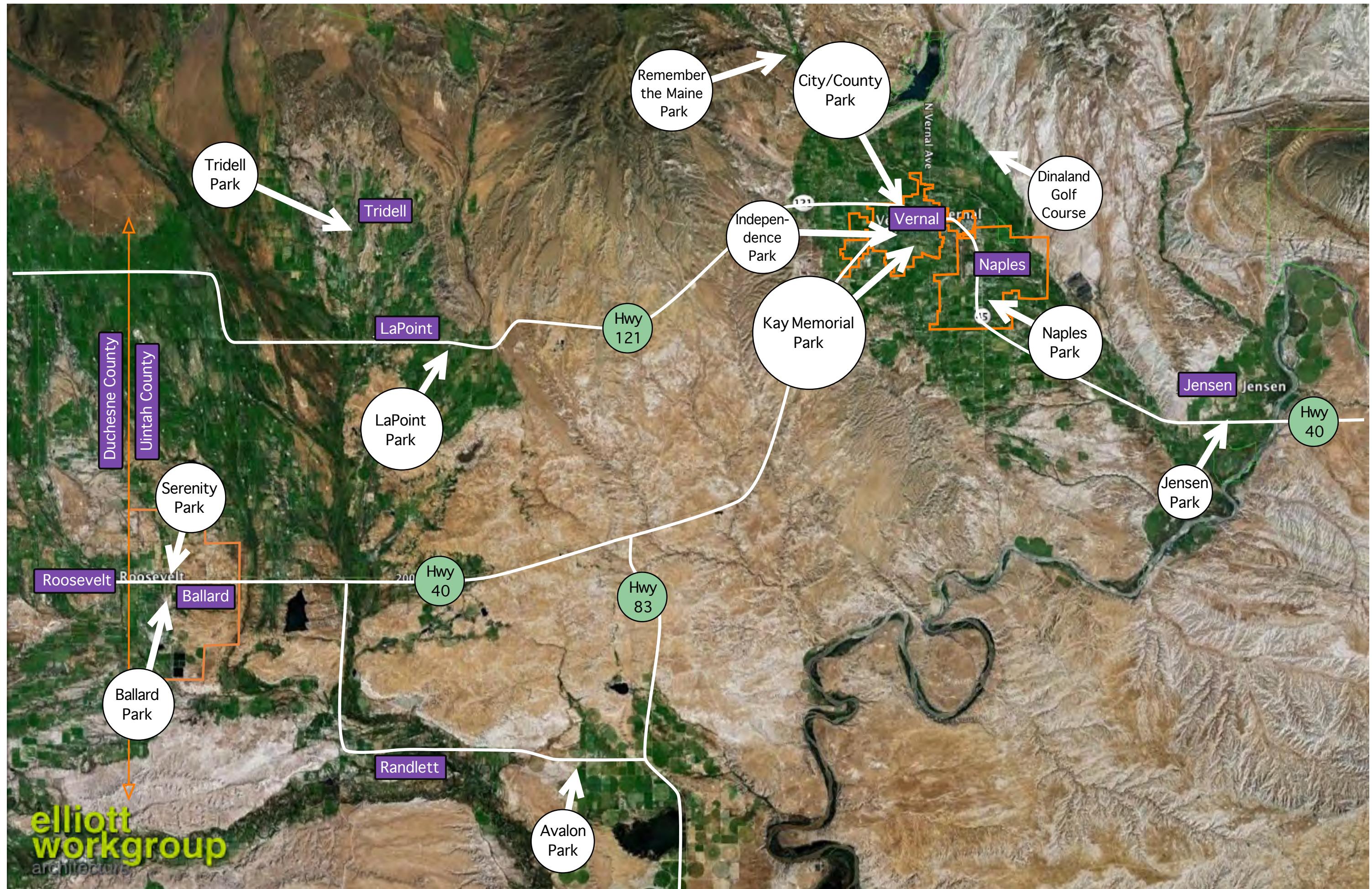
- Findings meeting held May 16, 2012.
- First Draft Meeting held June 13, 2012.
- Second Draft Meeting held August 8, 2012.

In addition to public meetings, private meetings were held with the Board of the Uintah Recreation District

- Preliminary findings meeting held May 9, 2012.
- First Draft Presentation held June 13, 2012.
- Second Draft Presentation held September 12, 2012.







## **SECTION 3 - ANALYSIS**

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## Process

With data in hand, we have the means to analyze the parks system and expose deficiencies and where supply might not meet demand or illuminate where the two converge. Analysis is conducted in the following arenas:

- Supply
- Demand
- Supply and Demand Analysis
  - Park Supply
  - Park Demand
  - Facility Supply
  - Facility Demand
  - Geographic Supply/Demand
  - Analysis Summary

A summary will be attached at the end of the section.

## Supply

Park conditions range from poorly maintained and well equipped to carefully maintained and ill equipped. Small and large parks are found in remote locations and city centers. See Sections 5 & 6 for specifics. Conditions of and amenities within these parks will be compared with public demand and NRPA guidelines later in this section. Some generalities can be pointed to within this subsection.

### **Building Codes**

Select inventoried URD parks facilities and special use facilities have fallen into a state of disrepair and are headed towards further deterioration. Some facilities need immediate programmed attention to be repaired, upgraded, replaced or added to. Also planned development of some park facilities needs to be brought into immediate compliance with current building and accessibility codes, before costs become too prohibitive.

### **ADA Compliance**

Some efforts have been put forth to allow for accessibility in compliance with American's with Disabilities Act, but there isn't a park developed within the county that entirely meets ADA guidelines from parking lots to playgrounds or from toilets to pavilions. Not only is complying with these guidelines significant from a legal standpoint, but it also provides universal access for those physically challenged individuals within the community. An ethos needs to be developed around this ideal.

### **Park Acreage**

Existing Uintah County park acreage is as follows:

<b>Inventoried Parks</b>	
<b>Park</b>	<b>Acreage</b>
Ashley Valley - City/County	30
Avalon	1.8
Ballard City	0.5

Dinaland Golf Course	18 holes and driving range
Independence	2.2
Jensen	6.2
Kay Memorial (undeveloped)	80
Lapoint	0.5
Naples	24
Remember the Maine	17
Serenity	13
Tridell	3.6
<b>Total Inventoried Acreage</b>	<b>178.8 acres and 18 holes</b>

<b>Un-inventoried Parks</b>	
Park	Acreage
Fort Duchesne Recreation Center	10
Fort Duchesne Skate Park	0.25
Glines Park w/BMX Track (has 13 acres, but is currently owned by school district)	
Naples Roadside Park	1
Naples (6) Unnamed Planned Neighborhood Parks	Not known.
Randlett Skate Park	0.25
Vernal Cobble Rock Park	0.25
Vernal Freestone Walking Park	5
Vernal Kiwanis Park	2
Vernal Western Park	32
White Rocks Skate Park	0.25
<b>Un-inventoried Existing or Planned Park Acreage</b>	<b>51.0</b>

<b>Un-inventoried Sports Complex</b>	
Park	Acreage
Vernal KOA Soccerfield Park	11
<b>Un-inventoried Sports Complex Acreage</b>	<b>11</b>

<b>Total Park Acreage In District</b>	<b>240.8</b>
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<b>Un-inventoried Special-Use Parks in and Adjacent to County</b>	
Park	Acreage/Holes

County Buckskin MX and Flat Car Racing, Shooting and Ultralight Flying Park	200-300
Rangely, Colorado Golf Course	9 holes
Roosevelt, Golf Course	18 holes
<b>Un-inventoried Special-Use Park Acreage</b>	<b>200-300 and 27 holes of golf</b>

<b>Un-inventoried Parks Adjacent to County</b>	
Park	Acreage
Rangely, Colorado Recreation Center	6
Rangely, Colorado Elks Park	28
Rangely, Colorado Hefley Park	5
Rangely, Colorado East Entrance Park	5
Rangely, Colorado Camper Park	30
Roosevelt, Constitution Park	30
Roosevelt Swimming Pool Park	3
Roosevelt Constitution South Park	25
Teddy Walking Park	0.25
<b>Total Park Acreage</b>	<b>132.25</b>

### **Ownership**

It should be mentioned that inventoried park ownership varies greatly and in order to protect URD capital investments, clear intergovernmental/interagency agreements need to be made. These agreements will clearly define ownership and management roles.

### **Demand**

Demographic projections, local planning and state planning and public input are all significant factors in how parks and amenities should be developed for the next ten to fifteen years.

### **Demographics**

The growing population of 37,950 by 2020 (as shown in Section 2) might suggest the need to plan for new parks, but comparisons with national guidelines paint a complicated picture. This number will be used below to evaluate park needs.

### **Current Planning**

Existing City and County General Plans have some degree of emphasis on the need for park development, but have some obvious jurisdictional limitations in the county. This Master Plan provides fundamental groundwork that can be used by communities to meet their stated goals. Further coordination between county entities will be needed to address topics such as the Ashley Valley-Wide Trail Plan and open space preservation.

## **SCORP**

2005 - During this survey Uintah representatives stated a need for a new swimming pool, general park improvements, a skateboard park, and new playground equipment.

Statewide, individuals asked for more sporting fields such as "baseball and soccer, playground equipment and picnic areas. Public restrooms, community centers and swimming pools were also frequently mentioned." Also on a state level, "when asked if additional land parcels were needed to complete the facilities, most indicated that they were not" and lastly, the SCORP mentions the need for development of community centers.

2009 - Surveys revealed that statewide, the highest priority new facility needs are new parks, new infrastructure at existing parks, new ball fields, more non-motorized and motorized trails, and recreation centers.

Locally, "Citizens in the Uintah Basin planning district reported high levels of participation in walking for pleasure or exercise, picnicking, fishing, wildlife or bird watching, running and camping. Uintah Basin citizens consider several facilities to be of high importance: camping areas, natural areas, playgrounds, city parks and ball fields. Citizens reported high satisfaction with camping areas, natural areas, city parks and ball fields. Citizens were dissatisfied with the availability of several facilities that they considered to be of high importance to their communities, including particularly swimming pools and OHV riding areas, as well as ball courts, playgrounds and picnic pavilions.

Uintah Basin citizens would likely participate in swimming and OHV riding more often with more facilities to do so. They reported that swimming pools and OHV riding areas were of high importance, but that they were not satisfied with the availability of those facilities. To a lesser degree, ball courts, playgrounds and picnic pavilions received high importance and low satisfaction scores. Citizens would probably participate in court-based sports and playground activities more frequently if more ball courts and playgrounds were available. They already report high levels of participation in picnicking, and report being dissatisfied with the availability of picnic pavilions."

Facilities of the highest importance to local communities are camping, city parks, natural areas, and playgrounds.

## **Public Surveys**

The following lists are based upon public surveys conducted in 2004 and 2011.

2004: Generally speaking responses ranged from individuals being very happy with the park system to those wondering why some parks even existed. Also, respondents had park development attitudes that ranged from wanting to spend money on a multimillion dollar recreation center to not spending another dime within the county.

2011: People are generally satisfied with the park system as it exists today. The increase in funding has provided the community and district with many opportunities for updates and continued maintenance. A new Community Center has filled a void that was frequently mentioned earlier. Restrooms are the most commonly mentioned need in the District and the playgrounds in general are what people are most satisfied with.

**Top Ten Highest Use Parks (descending order)**

1. City / County Park
2. Freestone Walking Park
3. Remember the Maine Park
4. Naples Park
5. Independence Swimming Pool
6. Dinaland Golf Course
7. Independence and Western Park
8. Jensen Park
9. Maeser Park
10. KOA and Kiwanis Parks

**^^Top Ten needs in These Parks**

1. Adding and Cleaning Restrooms
2. Better Maintenance
3. Lighting/Security
4. Picnic Tables
5. Support Facilities such as Pavilions and Concession Stands
6. KOA Soccerfield Benches and Xeriscaping (landscape materials requiring less water)
7. Drinking Fountains
8. Parking
9. Nothing Needed and More Trees
10. Increasing Park Size

**Top ten needs in the park system as a whole**

1. Restrooms
2. Drinking Fountains
3. Lighting
4. Swimming Pool
5. Walking Paths
6. Trees
7. Toddler Equipment
8. Pavilions
9. Fencing
10. Benches

**\*\*2004 Survey**

**Other Improvement Needs**

1. Recreation Center including items such as Pools, Indoor Activities, Handball/Racquetball, Basketball, Exercise Room, Indoor Walking, Weight Room, Game Room, Volleyball, Dance Class/Aerobics
2. Skate Park
3. BMX
4. Maintain Existing Parks
5. Golf Course
6. Dog Parks
7. Shooting Range, Motorcross and Universal Access and Age Accommodation
8. Horseback Trails
9. Ice Skating Rink
10. ATV Training, Fishing Ponds, Archery, Arcade, Living/ Working Farm, Rodeo

These are significant because so many individuals went out of their way to write them in and as one might imagine, there is a potentially high cost associated with each of these items.

\*\* Expanded results can be found in the Appendix (these parks include more than those inventoried as per Section 5):

^^ These needs in terms of overall park development don't seem to be high-cost items, however #10 might be the exception.

**2011 Survey**

**\*\*Top Ten Highest Use Parks (descending order) Percentage of residents in County visiting**

Ashley Valley (City/County)	69.3
Naples	67.7
Remember the Maine	58.6
Independence	49.8
Jensen	36
KOA	23.3
Avalon	15.6
Ballard	8.5
Tridell	6.5
Serenity	4.4

**Since the 2004 Survey Several items have been addressed.**

- The Recreation Center has been built housing a pool, basketball courts, a weight room, exercise rooms, volleyball courts and other open rooms to accommodate activities. The Recreation Center (Community Center) has highlighted deficiencies in the system. Even with space to accommodate recreation activities, it appears to fall short of the actual need in the District. Public comment notes the need for a much expanded opportunity for indoor sports opportunities, particularly in the cold months of the winter. Programming for

indoor sports areas is still burdening the available resources. 72.5% of those surveyed agreed there was a need for an indoor sports facility adjacent to the Community Center.

- A BMX and Skate park need has not been sufficiently met, although there is a facility now.
- The Buckskin Hills recreation area houses space for shooting ranges, automobile racing and motorcross activities and appears to accommodate these needs sufficiently.
- An Ice Skating Rink has been provided in the Great Western Complex.
- Funding for the District has increased.

Other deficiencies continue to exist

- Dog Parks continue to appear in surveys and public commentary.
- Horseback trails, which falls into a general trails category, has not been adequately or systematically explored.
- ATV Training is still non-existent and could present a source of revenue for the District. Jason West of the BLM noted a need for this service.
- Outdoor ball space is also short on demand. The addition of more ball fields would help all age groups to be able to access ball sports.

These deficiencies are confirmed through the 2011 Survey

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**Question #10 (2011 Survey)**

Is an indoor sports facility adjacent to the Community Center needed?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	72.5%	487
No	27.5%	185
answered question		672
skipped question		69

**Question #11 (2011 Survey)**

What do you think is most needed in the indoor sports facility? Please rate each one.

Answer Options	Very Important	Important	Less Important	No Opinion	Response Count
Basketball courts	169	139	128	15	451
Tennis courts	200	144	102	16	462
Volleyball courts	184	152	103	17	456
Indoor soccer	164	155	127	15	461
Driving range	80	100	226	36	442
Track	179	153	115	11	458
Racquetball courts	272	126	52	15	465
Other (please specify)					37
answered question					484
skipped question					257

## Question #12 (2011 Survey)

Practice space is often limited. Which sports would benefit most from additional space? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Baseball	33.1%	160
Softball	36.2%	175
Football	28.1%	136
Soccer	46.1%	223
Basketball	39.9%	193
Volleyball	42.6%	206
Golf	19.0%	92
Tennis	50.4%	244
Other (please specify)	11.6%	56
answered question		484
skipped question		257

### Public Meetings

2004 - During the November 9th meeting, participants placed special emphasis on development of a recreation center with aquatic facilities. Additional items receiving comment include: well designed softball fields, building facilities when needed and maintaining sound fiscal policy, accommodating ADA needs, limiting pond development near the airport, providing soccer fields and probably most significant was providing adequate restroom facilities.

2012 -

- May 16th meeting (general overview of parks). Participants commented on many disparate needs. Items included: Various court sports that would could be housed by a multi-court facility (volleyball, tennis, soccer, racquetball), a community garden, trails, a dog park, a skate and bike park, frisbee golf, additional water features (pool or splash park at community center), equestrian trails and soccer fields. There were several very vocal people in several of the categories above.
- June 13th meeting (Dinaland Golf Course and East Side parks). Participants commented on upgrades to golf course, generally approving of preliminary plans to expand facilities to include a more broad range of participants. Jensen and Naples parks had scant commentary.
- August 8th Meeting (West Side parks). Participants commented on expansion of rural parks through acquiring neighboring land, expanding pavilion space, adding walking trails, improving restroom and playground facilities and providing more space for adequate and delineated parking.

### Supply and Demand Analysis

According to National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) Guidelines, Level of Service (LOS) is an expression of the minimum recreation and park infrastructure capacity required to satisfy the park and recreation needs of residents of a community. For purposes of this Master Plan our LOS will take less of a scientific approach because of budget limitations, but will still focus on significant elements found within NRPA guidelines. "Level of Service" will be determined through comparing supply and demand within the County.

The standards and guidelines used for this comparison were adapted from the Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines, as well as the Recreation, Park, and Open Space Guidelines, published by the NRPA who is accepted as the premier guiding authority on parks and recreation development and they. NRPA gives guidelines for comparing parks and facilities with population as well as comparing community geography with service radius.

### **Park Classification**

As part of determining a supply and demand for parks within the County it is important to give parks to be analyzed a classification. These classifications organize parks into defined groups for determining deficiencies and surpluses. Classifications also become a guide in directing future park development. Those presented below are based upon NRPA guidelines and are modified to accommodate Uintah County. Along with classifications, we have included names of specific parks that fit within their parameters as well as a minimal level of amenity development deemed appropriate for each classification.

<b>Mini-Park</b>	
Use	Intended for families with children up to ten years of age in areas that cannot be served by a neighborhood park service area. Usually includes play apparatus and turf areas. Area considered a Mini-Park even if no play apparatus is provided.
Service Area	1/4 mile radius
Size	2500 SF to 5 acre or 1 to 2 acres
Location	Spaced throughout the community to serve neighborhoods. Frequently within neighborhood playgrounds or community parks
Parks in District	Ballard City
Amenities	Defined on a park by park basis
Notes	Other mini-parks may exist within Uintah County such as Cobble Rock Park but have not been inventoried

<b>Neighborhood Park Urban</b>	
Use	Recreational and social focus of the neighborhood providing informal active and passive recreation.
Service Area	1/2 mile radius
Size	5 - 10 acres
Location	Spaced throughout the community to serve neighborhoods. Frequently within neighborhood playgrounds or community parks
Parks in District	Independence

Amenities	(1) basketball court, (1) multi-purpose open play area with room for informal baseball/ softball soccer and football activities, (1) sand volleyball court, (1) small ADA accessible playground, (1) 550 sf pavilion with (6) picnic tables, (1) drinking fountain, (1) 9-car parking lot, lighting (1) parking lot light and (1) light per 100 lf of sidewalk, lawn and trees.
Notes	

<b>Neighborhood Park Rural</b>	
Use	Recreational and social focus of the neighborhood providing informal active and passive recreation.
Service Area	2 mile radius
Size	5 - 10 acres
Location	Spaced throughout the community to serve neighborhoods. Frequently within neighborhood playgrounds or community parks
Parks in District	Avalon, Serenity, Jensen, Tridell
Amenities	(1) basketball court, (1) multi-purpose open play area with room for informal baseball/ softball soccer and football activities, (1) sand volleyball court, (1) small ADA accessible playground, (1) 550 sf pavilion with (6) picnic tables, (1) drinking fountain, (1) 9-car parking lot, lighting (1) parking lot light and (1) light per 100 lf of sidewalk, lawn and trees.
Notes	With greater distances between populations this classification gives a broader service radius along with some amenities that might only be found in a rural area.

<b>Community Park</b>	
Use	Intended for use by all ages. Usually includes areas of natural or ornamental quality for walking, bicycling, viewing, sitting or picnicking. Often includes a playlot.
Service Area	2 mile radius
Size	10 - 50 acres
Location	Determined by existing natural features
Parks in District	City/County (Ashley Valley), Naples, Lapoint
Amenities	(1) men's and women's style restroom, (1) basketball court, (2)defined baseball/softball fields with space provided for soccer and football, (1) sand volleyball court, (1) ADA accessible playground, (2) 900 sf pavilion with (9) picnic tables each, (2) drinking fountain, (1) 100-car parking lot, lighting (5) parking lot lights and (1) light per 100 lf of sidewalk, lawn and trees.
Notes	With greater distances between populations this classification gives a broader service radius along with some amenities that might only be found in a community park.

Regional Park	
Use	Continuous or groupings of open spaces offering facilities/activities (trails, picnic, wildlife observations, water sports, etc.) determined by natural assets. Extent of active recreation development area is typically limited to a proportion of a park area. Much of park retained in a natural state. Serves broader purpose than Community parks. Focus is based on meeting community based recreation needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.
Service Area	County
Size	Minimum 50 acres or 250+ acres
Location	Determined by existing natural features
Parks in District	Kay Memorial
Amenities	Varies
Notes	

Special Use Park	
Use	Covers a broad range of parks and recreation facilities oriented toward single-purpose use. Provide for community activities such as golf courses, fine arts, indoor ice facilities, gymnasiums, etc.
Service Area	County
Size	Varies dependent on use
Location	Where resources occur
Parks in District	Dinaland Golf Course, Remember the Maine
Amenities	Varies
Notes	Additional parks would include stand-alone facilities such as Buckskin Park. Its description has been included to separate acreages that really shouldn't apply towards level of service.

*Conservation Area	
Use	Protects natural environment, wildlife habitat and scenic quality rather than satisfying demand for recreation opportunities. Secondary, passive or active recreation uses can coexist with primary conservation function
Service Area	Dependent on area
Size	Varies dependent on use
Location	Where resources occur
Parks in District	None determined
Amenities	Few
Notes	This category is new in the Uintah Basin Recreation District and such is subject to suggestion until incorporated whole heartedly

<b>*Pond Area</b>	
Use	Ensures proper functioning of hydrologic systems. Provides some scenic observation
Service Area	Dependent on area
Size	Dependent on area
Location	Where resources occur
Parks in District	None determined
Amenities	Fishing, bird watching
Notes	This category is new in the Uintah Basin Recreation District and such is subject to suggestion until adopted

<b>*Trails</b>	
Use	A means of access used for recreation walking, jogging, or riding bicycles. It also serves as an alternative to the road system when moving in and around the community.
Service Area	City and County
Size	n/a
Location	Where land is available free from argument or conflict of interest
Parks in District	n/a
Amenities	Trailhead parking lots, restrooms, signals at major intersections, lanes on roads demarcating separation from traffic
Notes	This category is new in the Uintah Basin Recreation District and such is subject to suggestion until adopted

\*Area added to Master Plan Update

More NRPA classifications exist and could be applied if desired by the County or felt appropriate as part of future planning efforts.

### **Park Supply**

NRPA has created standards that suggest how much acreage and how many parks should be had for various populations.

For instance, in the past the magical number of 10 acres per 1000 people was pointed to as the golden standard for park development within a jurisdiction. While this can be a useful quick measuring stick, it does not consider the social, cultural, political or geographic factors affecting a community. As such, it will be used simply as a preliminary measurement of County parks.

With the current County population at 32,588 the total park acreage of 240.8 translates to 7 acres per 1000 people which is below the golden number of 10 acres/1000. With regards to the projected County population of 37,950 the total park acreage translates to 6 acres/1000.

Aside from Remember the Maine Park, "Special-Use" parks aren't included in this acreage/person comparison because they accommodate a limited population as in the case of golf courses. Additionally, parks in Colorado and Roosevelt, Utah aren't considered because they do not represent county resources, but have been mentioned because they can provide opportunities for Uintah County recreation.

From a community perspective and strictly looking at parks within the given jurisdictions, there is the following park acreage to resident numbers:

- Ballard presently has 13.5 acres (with Ballard City Park) for 801 citizens or 16.9 acres per 1000; in 2020 there will be 13.5 acres for 866 or 15.6 acres per 1000.
- Naples presently has 24 acres for approximately 1800 people or 13.3 acres per 1000, in 2020 and not including the (6) Unnamed parks, there would be 24 acres for 2055 people or 11.7 acres per 1000.
- Vernal presently has 162.45 acres for approximately 9100 people or 17.9 acres per 1000, in 2020 there will be 162.45 acres for 11,163 or 14.6 acres per 1000. If the Kay Memorial Park acreage is not developed, by 2020 Vernal will have 7.5 acre/1000.

So with regards to cities, park acreages are generally in a surplus and development should be focused on maintaining existing parks. However, consideration needs to be given to radial coverage as discussed within the geographic supply section.

Of course community numbers are skewed since the majority of the park acreages are located within incorporated areas and yet there are many individuals living outside of them. In fact 65% live outside of these communities, but the question is how do you justify park development or non-development in rural areas and should rural areas receive the same level of service that more urban areas receive? Let's keep in mind many of the rural areas are serviced by parks such as Tridell, Lapoint, Randlett and Jensen. Other rural areas are covered by un-inventoried parks such as Fort Duchesne Recreation Center and the White Rocks Skate Park. Still other areas are in immediate adjacency to public lands both federal and state. Also one of the benefits for living in rural areas is being amongst open space. In essence a natural park setting is already provided when living outside of major urban areas. With these factors in mind, park development should be kept to enhancing existing rural parks.

### **Park Demand**

Knowing that existing and future total county park acreage to population numbers are slightly lower than the NRPA 10 to 1000 guideline and individual communities have significantly higher ratios than the 10 to 1000 guideline, it does not appear that there is a *need* to purchase or acquire additional lands for the County park system. However, if the availability of lands adjacent to existing parks become readily available and prove to be reasonable in cost, consideration should be given. Tridell and Avalon have been approached with this opportunity.

While there may not be an immediate need to purchase additional land it could be beneficial to purchase more land near heavily used parks and eliminate parks that are not heavily used. Additionally, if there are excess funds, they could be used for purchasing open space and areas that could be converted to conservation. Conservation areas are less maintenance intensive. Growth will continue in this region and it is important to be pro-active about preserving lands that contribute to the positive character of the region.

Per the public surveys, City/County Park has a distinctly higher usage rate than any of the other parks save Naples. As such it should be well maintained and enhanced. There is an opportunity to make a stronger connection between the City/County Park and Freestone walking park as well as to create more ties between City/County Park and the adjacent elementary school and its grounds

Freestone Walking Park, Remember the Maine Park, and Naples Park fall together in the next grouping of usage.

Freestone Park, the only specifically designated walking park within the county, is located across the street from City/County Park. Also notable with regards to Freestone is the fact that improved walking paths is still a top five priority for park system improvements. There seem to be opportunities to combine activities at this park and City/County Park.

Remember the Maine Park is outside of Vernal, but located within the county. It provides some unique recreation opportunities not afforded by the other parks.

Naples Park services the next largest County population.

From the 2004 survey it was apparent that some parks received minimal use such as Avalon and Lapoint. There were no responses on both of these parks. From a County perspective they aren't significant, but their respective communities have a need for them. The Avalon Park has growth and development opportunities, and should be expanded as the community sees the need. Lapoint Park used to be landlocked at .5 acres with streets on the South and east and private ownership on the North and west. A new site was chosen and it has already been greatly expanded, with plans for the near future for build out equalling approximately 13 acres. The community need has been achieved for the foreseeable future in Lapoint. Continued observance of this park's usage could be a useful guideline for improving or expanding other outlying parks.

#### **NRPA Facility Supply**

NRPA provides guidelines for recreation facilities per so many thousand people. Again this is a standard that doesn't consider the many influences of a community, but it is a useful tool to evaluate where facilities might be deficient or in a surplus. Special attention should be given to the red numbers on the right most column when planning for the future.

Park Classes		Minimum Standards	Current	Difference at 32,588 (current) Population	Difference at 37,950 (2020) Population
<b>Regional / Special Use Facilities</b>					
Archery Range		1 per 50,000	1	0	0
Combination Skeet and Trap Field		1 per 50,000	1	0	0
Golf Courses:	9-hole 18-hole	1 per 25,000 1 per 50,000	2 (Dinaland) 1	+1 0	0 0
Field Hockey		1 per 20,000	0	-1	-2
Football Fields are informal and share space with other uses		1 per 20,000	3 (2 within City/County and 1 within Naples)	+2	+1
Golf Driving Range		1 per 50,000	1 (Dinaland)	+1	0
Handball		1 per 20,000	0	-1	-2

Ice Skating Rinks / Ice-Hockey	1 per 100,000	1 (Western Park)	0	0
1/4 Mile Running Track	1 per 20,000	2 (Middle School & High School)	0	0
Trails	1 System per Region	0	-1	-1
Swimming Pool	1 per 20,000	1	0	-1
<b>Community / Neighborhood Facilities</b>				
Badminton	1 per 5,000	0	-5	-8
Tennis	1 court per 2,000	6 (At High School)	-10	-13
Volleyball	1 per 5,000	8 (Sand Courts) 2 (in Community Center)	+3	+2
Baseball (Standard):	1 per 5,000	4 (City/County Park) (2 are little league)	-1	-4
Baseball (Lighted):	1 per 30,000	4 (Same)	+3	+2
Softball	1 per 5,000	7	0	-2
Basketball One is located within Jensen Park, which also serves as a a part time volleyball court. Another is within Serenity Park. One is located in Lapoint.	1 per 5,000	3 (Ballard, Jensen and Lapoint)	-2	-5
Multiple Recreation Field (Basketball, Volleyball, Tennis)	1 per 10,000	1 (Jensen basketball / Volleyball court)	-2	-3
Soccer	1 per 10,000	3 (KOA Soccerfield) 1 (Naples)	+1	0

(Notes: Negative numbers suggest facility deficiencies and positive numbers suggest surpluses. Minimum standards are from NRPA lists; subtitles of regional, community and neighborhood have been designated by the planning group to relate to population)

### NRPA Facility Demand

#### Regional/ Special Use Facilities

##### Facility: Shooting Range

Park Classification: Special Use Park

Organized Activity: None.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - A shooting range was part of discussion during the last implementation of the Master Plan but the demand has been met by the Buckskin Park.

Public Meetings: Not mentioned.

Guideline Compliance: Yes.

Notes: A shooting range is classified as "Special Use" park and receives a limited amount of County-wide use. The limited use of this area should reflect on it's priority with regards to it's limited funding.

##### Facility: Field Hockey Field

Park Classification: Community Park

Organized Activity: None.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: No mention.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Guideline Compliance: No.

Notes: Because of no historical organized leagues, no mention in the SCORP or public surveys, there should be no immediate field hockey consideration.

### **Facility: Golf Course**

Park Classification: Special Use Park

Organized Activity: None.

SCORP: Mentioned as a sporadic activity on state and district level.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #6 in most-used parks.

Six percent of the survey respondents have suggested the need to improve the facility the county already has.

Public Meetings: See appendix.

Guideline Compliance: Surplus.

Notes: Golf courses and driving ranges are classified as "Special Use" parks and as such receive a limited amount of Countywide use. Also, historically speaking, government run golf courses have not been financially successful. 2011 fees showed an income of \$289,000 against estimated expenditures of \$390,000. However, no other URD amenity generates as much income. Dinaland golf course is a significant component of the Uintah Recreation District's system that does provide recreation for all ages and abilities. Efforts should then be extended to make the golf course more economically viable.

### **Facility: Football Field**

Park Classification: Community Park

Organized Activity: Flag and tackle football leagues.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: No mention.

Public Meetings: Nominal discussion.

Guideline Compliance: Surplus.

Notes: While the guidelines show a surplus of football fields, football fields currently share space with other ball fields and have programmed participation of up to 224 individuals. They should be protected.

### **Facility: Golf Driving Range**

Park Classification: Special Use Park

Organized Activity: None.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: No mention.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Guideline Compliance: Slight surplus.

Notes: Similar to the golf course, the driving range is a significant component to URD with close to a quarter of the population using the facilities. It should have consideration in terms of maintenance and capital improvements.

### **Facility: Handball Court**

Park Classification: Regional Park

Organized Activity: None.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: No mention.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Guideline Compliance: No.

Notes: Because of no historical organized leagues, no mention in the SCORP or public surveys, there should be only minimal Handball Court consideration.

### **Facility: Ice Skating/Ice-Hockey Rinks**

Park Classification: Regional Park

Organized Activity: There is a privately organized hockey league.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: No mention.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Guideline Compliance: Surplus.

Notes: The Western Park Ice Rink has recently been completed and as such there is no additional need for rink development.

### **Facility: Trail System**

Park Classification: Regional/Community Park and County-wide

Organized Activity: None.

SCORP: Mentioned as a state wide need for healthy communities. Those communities that had trail systems valued them highly. Citizens in the Uintah Basin did not express a need for new non-motorized trails.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #5 on the park system improvement list.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Survey did not address this issue completely but did note that it was high on the priority list for existing parks

Public Meetings: Appeared to be a persistent and important issue for those that came to the first meeting.

Guideline Compliance: No.

Notes: Trails have been preliminarily developed at Kids Canal Walkway and discussed as part of the Ashley Creek Corridor development, but no comprehensive system has been established. There have been a significant number of public requests for walking path improvements throughout the park system and this coupled with the fact that both Naples and Vernal City General Plans call for trail development suggest that it deserves greater attention.

### **Facility: 1/4 Mile Running Track**

Park Classification: Regional Park

Organized Activity: School Track Events.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey mentions the need for an indoor track for presumable use in the cold months of the winter.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Guideline Compliance: Yes.

Notes: Because of no historical organized leagues, no mention in the SCORP or public surveys, there should be no immediate track enhancement. There is a track at the high school that serves it's function for track activities for the high school and allows for public access otherwise.

### **Facility: Swimming Pool**

Park Classification: Regional Park

Organized Activity: Swim Team

SCORP: Top Uintah Basin priority.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #4 on the park system improvement list.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Not specifically mentioned but activities related to 'swimming' are high on the activity list.

Public Meetings: A topic of conversation, noting that a pool may not necessarily be required but that some sort of water facility, such as a splash park, would compliment the new pool in the hot summer heat.

Guideline Compliance: Yes.

Notes: The Community Center has provided a swimming pool and is sufficient for current LOS needs. Analysis for 2020 notes a need for another swimming pool or equivalent. There is a private pool in Vernal that could qualify if it came under District supervision.

## **Community / Neighborhood Facilities**

### **Facility: Badminton**

Park Classification: Community /Neighborhood Park

Organized Activity: None.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: No mention.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Guideline Compliance: No.

Notes: Because of no historical organized leagues, no mention in the SCORP or public surveys, there should be no immediate badminton consideration. This is an activity that can be organized with a limited amount of any green space, thus park space could be allocated indirectly.

### **Facility: Tennis Court**

Park Classification: Regional Park

Organized Activity: Tennis

SCORP: Nominal mention.

Public Survey: Numerous mentions in regards to future expansions and amenities that need expanding.

Guideline Compliance: Significant deficiency.

Public Meetings: There was some discussion of the need to develop tennis courts.

Notes: Because of the organized league with 20 participants, some survey mention and non-compliance with NRPA guidelines there should be some consideration given to adding tennis courts throughout the county.

### **Facility: Volleyball Court**

Park Classification: Community /Neighborhood Park

Organized Activity: Volleyball leagues as mentioned in multi-purpose courts above as well as the new sand volleyball league.

SCORP: Nominal mention.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - Nominal mention.

Pubic Survey: 2011 Survey - Ranked as a high participation sport and figured into new facilities as a sport that needed space and expansion.

Public Meetings: Nominal discussion.

Guideline Compliance: Slight surplus.

Notes: Because of organized leagues with no less than 420 individuals there should be consideration given to indoor courts. Sand courts may only need light consideration knowing there is a surplus but not knowing how popular sand volleyball might be. Facility needs should be considered in conjunction with future expansion of district facilities.

### **Facility: Softball Fields**

Park Classification: Community /Neighborhood Park  
Organized Activity: Men's Softball, Women's Softball and Coed Softball.

SCORP: "Citizens reported being highly satisfied with ball fields in this district, in disagreement with their elected representatives' reported needs."

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - City/County Park, which is predominately a ballpark, is #1 in usage, but softball specifically received nominal use mention.

Public Meetings: 2004 - First meeting participants first questioned the need for more softball fields then later decided they would be an excellent addition to the community and eliminate the reliance on the old small fields at City/County Park. 2012 - Current supply seemed sufficient enough to guide comments towards other issues.

Guideline Compliance: Surplus.

Notes: The construction of the City/County Ball Field Complex has provided ample space for ball field needs. Combined with a growing population, expansion of facilities should be considered.

### **Facility: Baseball Fields**

Park Classification: Community /Neighborhood Park  
Organized Activity: Coach Pitch, T-Ball and Little League.

SCORP: Ball fields were considered to be of high importance.

Public Survey: Nominal mention.

Public Meetings: Nominal discussion.

Guideline Compliance: Slight deficiency on standard fields. Yes for lighted fields.

Notes: Because of organized leagues with 623 participants and non-compliance with NRPA guidelines there should be serious consideration given to adding baseball fields. The future population growth furthers the need for this consideration. The Recreation District has noted that there is still need for space to accommodate all ages, including the T-ball category which is suffering from the lack of space.

### **Facility: Multiple Recreation Field**

Park Classification: Community /Neighborhood Park

Organized Activity: Basketball leagues as mentioned above, Coed Volleyball, Volleyball 3 on 3, Women's Volleyball, Youth Volleyball and Tennis.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Ranked as a important for additions to Kay Memorial Park, indoor facilities.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Guideline Compliance: No.

Notes: Because of organized leagues as mentioned within the basketball description as well as the 420 volleyball players and 20 tennis players, consideration should be given to adding facilities supplied by multi-purpose courts. See Facility: Multi-court Recreation Facility/ Fieldhouse

### **Facility: Soccer Fields**

Park Classification: Community /Neighborhood Park

Organized Activity: AYSO

SCORP: Soccer was mentioned at the state level.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - KOA Soccer Field Park is #10 of the top mentioned parks, but received nominal mention of need for improvement save for adding restrooms.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Soccer was mentioned as a high participation sport with some need of improvements to facilities.

Public Meetings: Soccer was not addressed.

Guideline Compliance: Yes.

Notes: Because of organized leagues with 536 participants, SCORP response and County survey mention, soccer field acreage should be protected.

### **Facility: Basketball Court**

Park Classification: Community /Neighborhood Park

Organized Activity: Jr. Jazz, Men's Basketball

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - A good portion of the populace claim to play basketball, in either organized or open format.

Guideline Compliance: No.

Notes: Because of organized leagues with 586 participants and non-compliance with NRPA guidelines there should be serious consideration given to adding basketball courts. Incorporating this into an indoor facility would offer year round access.

## Additional Facility Demand

Items addressed within the public surveys and public meetings, but not included as part of the national guidelines are shown here. The following analyses stem from the 2004 survey and from 2012 public comment. They include a combination of "top most-used park needs" as well as "top improvement needs" throughout the park system.

### **Facility: Multi-court Recreation Facility**

#### **Fieldhouse**

Park Classification: Special Use.

Organized Activity: Basketball leagues, Volleyball leagues, Racquetball, Tennis, Running.

SCORP: Various other activities that could be housed in this setting are consistently mentioned.

Public Survey: No particular mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - No particular mention.

Public Meetings: This facility was mentioned in many different ways. People were generally looking for expansions to the opportunities that the new Community Center provided. Frequent mention of lack of space and time in various spaces in town was mentioned. Ten o'clock pm soccer tournaments are not good for family units.

Notes: There is an express need for housing numerous and varied court activities in an indoor setting.

### **Facility: Lighting/Security**

Park Classification: All.

SCORP: Could fall within mention of general park improvements.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #3 in most-used parks and #3 for park system needs.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Generally noted as 'adequate'.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Notes: Many parks have minimal lighting and for security reasons lighting should be enhanced or added at all parks.

### **Facility: Benches**

Park Classification: All.

SCORP: Could fall within mention of general park improvements.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #6 within most-used parks and #10 for park system needs.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - No mention.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Notes: Add benches where needed.

### **Facility: Restrooms**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Rural and Larger.

SCORP: Could fall within mention of general park improvements.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #1 in most-used parks and #1 for park system needs.

Public Survey: 2011 - Generally noted as 'adequate'

Public Meetings: Nominal mention.

Notes: This is a general system wide concern.

Most of the restrooms are aging and non-ADA compliant. A comprehensive upgrade of many restrooms at once may be an economical way to bring much of the District up to date.

### **Facility: Drinking Fountains**

Park Classification: All.

SCORP: Could fall within mention of general park improvements.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #7 in most-used parks and #2 for park system needs.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Not mentioned.

Public Meetings: No mention.

Notes: All parks should have at least one.

### **Facility: Trees**

Park Classification: All.

SCORP: Could fall within mention of general park improvements.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #9 in most-used parks and #6 for park system needs.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Not mentioned.

Public Meetings: Nominal mention.

Notes: The need for more shade was mentioned more than once. Professional opinion is such that more shade opportunity would be beneficial. This could be qualified as an invisible need that is not necessarily recognized until trees are planted.

Additionally, this should be thought of with the greater future in mind, for it takes many years for a tree to mature enough to provide its benefit.

### **Facility: Support Facilities such as Pavilions and Concession Stands**

Park Classification: All for pavilions. Community, Regional, Sports Complex and Special Use Parks for Concession Stands.

SCORP: Pavilions noted as insufficient for picnicking needs.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - #5 in most-used parks and #8 for park system needs.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - Generally noted as 'adequate' with mention of 'important' for any expansion inclusions.

Public Meetings: Nominal discussion.

Notes: Existing pavilions should be enhanced and new pavilions should be added judiciously.

### **Facility: Frisbee Golf Course**

Park Classification: Special Use.

SCORP: No Mention.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - No Mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - 15% of respondents requested Frisbee Golf as something they would like to see in the District.

Public Meetings: Small but vocal group of people requested this be given consideration.

Notes: Enthusiasts prefer close proximity to a course so a centrally located one would be ideal.

BLM land is plentiful however and could accommodate this need. Related expenses are minimal. This would be a low maintenance addition.

Not included in the descriptions above because these items were only mentioned in the "top most-used park needs" list (2004 Survey) is the need for maintenance and additional picnic tables.

- Nineteen percent of those surveyed have said maintenance efforts need to be improved at the existing parks. Perhaps consideration should be given to that effort from an operational level, but additionally in terms of facility development, consideration should be given to designing and constructing facilities that are durable and easily maintained. This would include sites as well as buildings.
- Six percent of those surveyed have stated there have not been enough picnic tables provided at the parks and therefore additional ones should be provided now as well as planned for in new parks.

Also from the 2004 survey, there were many considerations brought forth from the "other" survey category, additional facility considerations that have received mention of at least 5% or more of respondents. These were "write-in" categories:

### **Facility: Dog Park**

Park Classification: Special Use.

SCORP: No mention.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - No Mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - No mention.

Public Meetings: A small but vocal group of people requested this be given consideration.

Notes: A dog park should be included in future surveys to gauge the actual want and need of such a facility. Other dog parks in similar communities seem to be successful. If there is open space without a use assigned to it, this should be considered.

### **Facility: Community Garden**

Park Classification: Special Use.

SCORP: No Mention.

Public Survey: 2004 Survey - No Mention.

Public Survey: 2011 Survey - No mention.

Public Meetings: Small but vocal group of people requested this be given consideration.

Notes: A community garden is a good way to teach sustainable and healthy lifestyles and should be considered in regards to improving the living habits of people in general. Consider in the future or if there is ample extra land not being purposed.

- Nearly 39% gave a Recreation Center description. The Recreation center has been constructed and is exceeding expectations. This demonstrates a pent up need being satisfied but may also point to a future expansion.

The 2009 SCORP has mentioned statewide interest in developing community centers and other sources have pointed toward this need. According to a recent Urban Land Institute Survey, city inventories from high-density cities to low-density cities on average provided 1.1 recreation centers per 20,000 population. Placing that figure within the context of Uintah County to a 2020 population demand of 1.9 recreation centers. In other words this one recreation center may only begin to meet the demands expressed by the state as well as resemble the national average.

- Nearly 10% of respondents mentioned a desire for the development of a skate park as well as a BMX park. This is interesting in light of the fact there is an existing skate park defined and that the Uintah Recreation District has recently provided for a BMX track. This desire continues as a low level need, with a small, but dedicated and excited segment of the populace voicing their desire to see an improved park
- Six percent of respondents asked for golf course improvements.

In the 2011 Survey and public meetings, several activities that fit into the “other” category surfaced or were rehashed. Those include:

- Frisbee Golf
- Skate and BMX park. This builds on the previous observation that there is a park already but it is insufficient.
- Dog Park
- Community Garden
- A great many people voiced support for various activities that could be housed indoors; volleyball, basketball, handball, racquetball, etc. Most of these needs could be accommodated within an indoor sports facility geared towards court activities. This support stems from the over flow of activity presented in the existing recreation center.

### **Geographic Supply/Demand**

The existing geographic supply is displayed per the attached drawings at the end of this section. For the overall county, this is probably the weakest method of determining the park level of service in that the county is large and sparsely populated. However, incorporated communities such as Ballard, Naples and Vernal can benefit from observing how existing parks fit into their boundaries. Essentially, in this geographic supply / demand evaluation, parks are assigned a service radius as discussed in the park classification subsection. A mini-park receives a 1/4 mile service radius, a neighborhood urban park receives a 1/2 mile service radius, a neighborhood rural park receives a 2-mile radius and a community park receives a 2-mile service radius and a regional and special use park service the entire county. In simplified terms, whatever this service radius covers is being served or meeting demand. **Ideally, homes within communities should be within 1/2 mile of parks.** However as is discussed below, the park to person ratios may suggest that the population demand isn't quite as high as the service radius might suggest.

Ballard's neighborhood rural park (Ballard City Park) service radius doesn't cover all of incorporated Ballard and as such there might be some need to provide additional park acreage at the perimeter of the city. However, knowing the park acreage to population ratio is projected to be

15.6 acres per 1000 in 2020, it might be difficult to defend adding any additional park space within Ballard. Roosevelt also provides ample opportunity a short distance away. If a new park were desired to meet the service area need a mini or neighborhood urban park would be more in order than another neighborhood rural park. It should be placed on the West side of Ballard.

Naples community park (Naples Park) service radius does cover all of Naples City. At the neighborhood park level consideration should be given to add park space to meet service area requirements and make parks more accessible by foot, but with a park acreage to population ratio in 2020 estimate at 11.7 acres to 1000 it might be difficult to justify adding park land to the current system. As part of the overall acreage (6) unnamed mini-parks were planned throughout Naples. These should be kept to 1/2 mile from the existing Naples Park.

Vernal's community park (City/County Park) service radius does cover most of Vernal with the only gap on the Southwest corner. At the neighborhood/mini-park level Independence Park covers most of central Vernal along with other non-inventoried parks, but gaps exist within southwest and northeast portions of the City. As in the case of Naples, it would be difficult to justify additional park land within Vernal with an estimated 2020 park acreage to population ratio of 14.6 acres per 1000. Of course, the undeveloped regional park Kay Memorial is part of this acreage and it will provide coverage for all of Uintah County, but just because it serves the county does not mean it is excluded from serving Vernal.

- While the entire county may not be radially covered from community parks, the most populous towns of Ballard, Naples and Vernal are. Some gaps in neighborhood park development exist within each community.

### **Analysis Summary**

#### **Supply:**

- Some facilities and parks are deficient in terms of building code and ADA compliance.
- There are nearly 241 acres of existing parks in the current park system with more acreage planned and significant parks in close proximity to Uintah County.
- Park ownership varies greatly and development agreements need to be made.
- Supply is generally ample, especially for more urban areas of the county.

#### **Demand:**

- County demographics show a moderately growing population and some general planning has already been performed to accommodate it.
- The 2009 Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan has suggested that the Uintah Basin is interested in OHV riding areas, as well as ball courts, playgrounds, picnic pavilions and additional swimming or aquatic facilities.
- According to surveys, within the county park system City/County Park is the most heavily used followed by Naples City Park. Adding and cleaning restrooms remains a top need within the park system.

#### **Supply and Demand Analysis:**

- Within City limits park acreage exceeds or is commensurate to population according to national guidelines. Rural areas have some park development, but new park development should be placed in urban areas. URD should concentrate efforts on the parks currently managed or owned by URD in terms of maintenance and capital improvements rather than acquiring new land except as in cases mentioned within the geographic supply/demand section. Special consideration may be placed in acquiring Conservation Areas.

- With regards to NRPA guidelines for park facilities that have received local public input, racquetball courts are the most deficient, followed by tennis courts, basketball courts, multiple recreation courts (which includes the above as well as volleyball courts), baseball fields, trails, and swimming facilities.
- Additional facilities not discussed by NRPA but addressed from the local level include: restrooms, lighting/ security, drinking fountains, support facilities, trees and benches, frisbee golf courses, community gardens and dog parks.
- More than half (53.3%) of survey respondents expressed that they were satisfied with the parks system and another quarter (25.3%) saying they were extremely satisfied. Generally people are happy with the availability and stature of the parks system. This sentiment should be retained.



## **SECTION 4 - BUDGETS**

Budgets for the Uintah Recreation District are tied to Mineral Lease funds and represent the booms and busts of the oil and mining industry. They are volatile and while they are currently on a dramatic upswing they could just as dramatically drop. Care should be taken in budgeting for future uses. Ultimately these uses should have a higher degree of sustainability than are currently exhibited within the parks system. In other words after the project gets built in a boom period, it should be able to stay open during a bust period.

### Existing Budget

Existing and recent budgets are as per the attached spreadsheet.

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### Projected Budget

(Projected budget has not been supplied)

## Revenues in Uintah Basin Recreation District

<b>Golf Course Revenues</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Green Fees	130,000.00	105,184.99	81%
Season Passes	160,000.00	150,857.26	94%
Cart Trail Fees	5,000.00	5,987.00	120%
Cart Rental Rev.	157,500.00	110,429.00	70%
Driving Range	25,000.00	17,960.00	72%
Locker Rental	2,600.00	1,300.00	50%
Junior Golf	2,500.00	106.37	4%
Tee Sponsorship	3,600.00	2,900.00	81%
Snack Bar Revenue	145,000.00	116,099.84	80%
Lesson, Classes, Clinics	6,500.00	2,907.50	45%
<b>Total Golf Revenues</b>	<b>637,700.00</b>	<b>513,731.96</b>	<b>81%</b>

<b>Community Center - Revenue</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Daily Admissions	150,000.00	184,365.41	123%
Punch Passes	28,000.00	28,132.25	100%
Annual Passes	650,000.00	785,843.52	121%
Aerobics & Personal Training	500.00	3,152.25	630%
Day Care	2,500.00	3,864.00	155%
Gymnasium	2,000.00	2,557.50	128%
Conference Room	500.00	491.00	98%
Party Rooms	28,000.00	23,907.65	85%
Resale (goggles, swim diapers)	18,000.00	20,054.06	111%
Locker Rental	6,000.00	6,196.84	103%
Climbing Shoe Rental	1,000.00	852.00	85%
Swim Lessons	50,000.00	58,567.05	117%
Contract Classes	20,000.00	8,873.50	44%
Vending	10,000.00	9,541.95	95%
Long/Short		251.82	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>966,500.00</b>	<b>1,136,650.80</b>	<b>118%</b>

<b>Naples Splash Park Revenues</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Summer Passes	500.00	695.00	139%
Daily Admission	10,500.00	10,418.79	99%
Private Rentals/Parties	1,700.00	2,401.00	141%
Naples Concession	1,700.00	2,712.45	160%

Total Splashpark Revenues	14,400.00	16,227.24	113%
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<b>Recreation Revenues</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Youth Basketball	7,000.00	11,548.25	165%
Youth Recreation Fees	13,000.00	9,291.75	71%
Enrichment/After School Programs	2,000.00	7,744.50	387%
Family/Special Events	2,500.00	1,269.65	51%
Youth Indoor Soccer	2,000.00	4,484.75	224%
T Ball/Coach Pitch	7,000.00	6,549.50	94%
Ski Program	6,000.00	7,943.30	132%
Softball Leagues	34,000.00	30,100.00	89%
Softball Tournament	7,000.00	5,800.00	83%
Adult Recreation Fees	18,000.00	21,989.50	122%
Volleyball	15,000.00	23,703.20	158%
Total Recreation Revenues	113,500.00	130,424.40	115%

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## Expenditures in Uintah Basin Recreation District

<b>Administrative Expenditures</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Employee Salaries	174,000.00	176,721.70	102%
P/R Taxes	14,000.00	12,898.11	92%
Employee Benefits	87,600.00	79,136.22	90%
Books, Subs, Memb.	500.00	773.00	155%
Advertising	30,000.00	39,352.00	131%
Travel	3,500.00	3,475.18	99%
Office Supplies	12,000.00	10,377.67	86%
Postage	5,000.00	4,252.24	85%
Telephone	1,200.00	1,143.58	95%
Outside Audit Fees	6,200.00	6,450.00	104%
Prof. & Tech. (legal fees)	35,000.00	24,454.84	70%
Computer Upgrade/maint.	4,000.00	8,768.03	219%
Software Maintenance	8,000.00	7,601.00	95%
Uniforms	200.00	195.00	98%
Gas & Auto Expenses	4,000.00	6,271.61	157%
Property Insurance	116,000.00	126,621.52	109%
Misc Expenses (these are bankcard fees)	18,000.00	19,476.72	108%
Misc. Board Expenses	23,000.00	29,947.17	130%
Community Relations	2,500.00	3,405.80	136%
<b>Total Administrative Expenditures</b>	<b>544,700.00</b>	<b>561,321.39</b>	<b>103%</b>

<b>Recreation Expenses</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Employee Salaries	76,500.00	77,496.60	101%
Part Time Employees - Youth	9,700.00	19,349.83	199%
Part Time Employees - Adult	30,600.00	34,562.72	113%
P/R Taxes	9,500.00	9,640.75	101%
Employee Benefits	52,400.00	43,898.30	84%
Subscrp. & Member.	300.00	270.00	90%
Travel	1,200.00	1,219.51	102%
Uniforms	200.00	68.00	34%
Recreation Programs - Youth	7,000.00	16,660.42	238%
Recreation Programs - Adult	9,000.00	21,995.58	244%
Family Events	8,000.00	11,873.40	148%
Youth Basketball	5,000.00	1,939.83	39%
Ski Program	6,000.00	6,518.84	109%
Enrichment/After School Programs	5,000.00	2,264.52	45%

T Ball/Coach Pitch	6,500.00	5,269.85	81%
Youth Indoor Soccer	2,000.00	2,998.58	150%
Softball League	8,000.00	11,526.44	0%
Softball Tournament	4,500.00	4,186.32	93%
Volleyball	7,500.00	10,270.43	137%
Total Expenditures - Recreation	248,900.00	282,009.92	113%
Revenues Minus Expenditures	-135,400.00	-151,585.52	

Parks Department Expenditures	BUDGET 2011	ACTUAL 2011	%
Employee Wages	243,600.00	235,710.32	97%
Part Time Employees	76,000.00	81,631.93	107%
P/R Taxes	25,700.00	25,833.05	101%
Employee Benefits	136,000.00	125,561.25	92%
Subscription & Membership	750.00	261.00	35%
Travel	2,000.00	2,630.16	132%
Equipment Supply & Maintenance	25,000.00	27,102.87	108%
Cleaning Supplies	8,500.00	7,623.05	90%
Non-Capitalized Equipment	4,500.00	2,594.53	58%
Small Tools	750.00	1,871.26	250%
Building/Grounds Maintenance	25,000.00	30,310.67	121%
Snow Removal	5,000.00	4,316.61	86%
Turf/Fert	26,500.00	22,143.39	84%
Planters/Flowers	4,500.00	8,420.06	187%
Sand/Gravel	10,000.00	3,224.63	32%
Irrigation Repair	22,500.00	28,636.88	127%
Chemicals	15,000.00	18,130.35	121%
Athletic Fields	30,000.00	31,368.18	105%
Utilities	92,500.00	104,242.08	113%
Phone/Pagers	3,000.00	3,808.90	127%
Contract Labor	6,000.00	6,838.97	114%
Uniforms	2,000.00	1,911.44	96%
Gas & Auto Expenses	25,500.00	34,024.21	133%
Stock Water Lease	6,000.00	7,370.48	123%
Stock Water Assessment	1,600.00	0.00	0%
Total Parks Expenditures	797,900.00	815,566.27	102%

Television Expenditures	BUDGET 2011	ACTUAL 2011	%

Equipment Supply/Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	100%
Profess. & Tech	30,000.00	0.00	0%
Tabby Mountain	1,500.00	0.00	0%
Blue Mountain	1,500.00	2,224.46	148%
Tridell Booster	1,500.00	192.00	13%
Total Television Expenditures	36,500.00	4,416.46	12%

<b>Naples Splash Park Expenditures</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Employee Salaries	10,500.00	10,624.15	101%
P/R Taxes	800.00	812.77	102%
Equip. Maint./Supply	750.00	170.24	23%
Bldg/Grnd Sup/Maint	1,000.00	3,573.70	357%
Utilities	3,000.00	5,115.30	171%
Telephone	450.00	450.64	100%
Concession Supplies	1,500.00	1,907.24	127%
Sales Tax Payable	800.00	1,007.38	126%
Total Splash Park Expenditures	18,800.00	23,661.42	126%
Revenues minus expenditures	-4,400.00	-7,434.18	

<b>Community Center - Expenses</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Employee Salaries - Full Time	298,300.00	246,348.31	83%
Aquatics Department	487,600.00	373,393.85	77%
Child Care	73,200.00	86,163.48	118%
Climbing Wall	16,500.00	18,495.19	112%
Front Desk	81,000.00	99,011.01	122%
Maintenance	113,600.00	86,869.03	76%
Rec Techs	28,000.00	25,790.91	92%
Aerobic instructors	32,500.00	27,632.78	85%
P/R Taxes	90,500.00	71,081.67	79%
Employee Benefits	208,800.00	140,153.93	67%
Dues & Subscriptions	500.00	355.50	71%
Marketing & Promotions	5,000.00	3,652.12	73%
Travel/Training	4,600.00	5,682.85	124%
Fitness Supplies	5,000.00	6,683.87	134%
Pool Supplies	5,000.00	10,114.80	202%
Wall Supplies	2,000.00	3,270.66	164%

Special Event Supplies	10,000.00	15,830.66	158%
Office Supplies	8,000.00	8,660.30	108%
Equipment Repair/Maintenance	10,000.00	16,951.51	170%
Janitorial & Cleaning Supplies	25,000.00	40,932.58	164%
Small Tools	500.00	2,907.97	582%
Facility Repair/Maintenance	35,000.00	64,448.20	184%
Pool Chemicals	20,000.00	23,429.72	117%
Utilities	275,000.00	283,915.14	103%
Telephone	8,500.00	8,281.24	97%
Contract Cleaning & Repair	30,000.00	29,314.46	98%
Contract Services - Dance, Karate, etc.	15,000.00	5,564.50	37%
Resale, Vending, etc.	15,000.00	16,693.09	111%
Uniforms	3,500.00	2,723.00	78%
Uniforms - Lifeguards	4,000.00	5,543.79	139%
Miscellaneous	3,000.00	705.33	24%
Misc Equipment	2,500.00	616.62	25%
Sales Tax Payable	57,500.00	64,517.67	112%
Total Community Center Expenses	1,974,600.00	1,795,735.74	91%
**Revenue Minus Expenses	-1,008,100	-659,084.94	

Dinaland Golf Course Maintenance Expenditures	BUDGET 2011	ACTUAL 2011	%
Employee Salaries	179,400.00	156,917.48	87%
Seasonal Employees	76,000.00	96,917.12	128%
P/R Taxes	20,400.00	18,699.96	92%
Employee Benefits	121,900.00	81,897.91	67%
Subscrp. & Member.	650.00	414.43	64%
Travel	2,000.00	483.01	24%
Office Supplies	400.00	554.62	139%
Equip. Supply/Maint.	60,000.00	60,414.58	101%
Cart Expenses	12,000.00	11,909.61	99%
Cleaning Supplies	500.00	701.77	140%
Non-Cap Equipment	1,000.00	878.34	88%
Small Tools	1,000.00	759.56	76%
Bldg/Grnd Mainten.	15,000.00	16,333.03	109%
Turf/Fert	21,100.00	15,229.30	72%
Seed/Sand	17,000.00	24,961.94	147%
Irrigation Repair	32,000.00	43,971.64	137%

Chemicals	43,500.00	25,915.35	60%
Flags, Tee & Equip	2,000.00	2,609.27	130%
Utilities	26,000.00	25,433.74	98%
Telephone	4,500.00	5,071.01	113%
Profess. & Techn.	900.00	720.00	80%
Uniforms	1,000.00	1,324.83	132%
Equipment Rental	3,000.00	3,256.00	109%
Fuel	22,000.00	41,954.80	191%
Total Golf Course	663,250.00	637,329.30	96%

Pro Shop	BUDGET 2011	ACTUAL 2011	%
Salaries	85,700.00	89,280.93	104%
Part time wages	39,000.00	41,489.30	106%
Snack Bar Part Time Wages	43,400.00	35,471.28	82%
P/R Taxes	10,000.00	11,065.49	111%
Snack Bar P/R Taxes	3,500.00	1,457.89	42%
Benefits	48,400.00	43,581.32	90%
Subscription & Membership	3,000.00	1,076.00	36%
Advertising	1,500.00	4,085.71	272%
Office Supplies	3,000.00	3,825.57	128%
Range Expenses	10,000.00	9,904.61	99%
Snack Bar Expenses	76,000.00	78,172.93	103%
Cleaning Supplies	1,500.00	1,120.57	75%
Building/Grounds Maintenance	10,000.00	14,107.59	141%
Utilities	12,000.00	8,650.85	72%
Telephone	4,200.00	4,203.54	100%
Software	1,000.00	1,395.93	140%
Uniforms	1,000.00	501.20	50%
Licenses	2,500.00	3,004.34	120%
Sales Tax Payable - Pro Shop	26,400.00	23,833.65	90%
Sales Tax Payable - Snack Bar	7,600.00	7,648.01	101%
Total Pro Shop	389,700.00	383,876.71	99%
Total Golf Course Expenditures	1,052,950.00	1,021,206.01	97%
**Total Golf Revenues	637,700.00	513,731.96	81%
**Total Golf Course Expenditures	1,052,950.00	1,021,206.01	97%
**Revenue minus expenditures	-415,250.00	-507,474.05	

<b>Department Expenditures</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Total Administrative Expenditures	544,700.00	561,321.39	103%
Community Center Expenditures	1,974,600.00	1,795,735.74	91%
Total Recreation Expenditures	248,900.00	282,009.92	113%
Total Golf Course Expenditures	1,052,950.00	1,021,206.01	97%
Total Splashpark Expenditures	18,800.00	23,661.42	126%
Total Parks Expenditures	797,900.00	815,566.27	102%
Total Television Expenditures	36,500.00	4,416.46	12%
<b>Total Expenditures (M&amp;O)</b>	<b>4,674,350.00</b>	<b>4,503,917.21</b>	<b>96%</b>

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### Totals for Revenue and Expenses

<b>Department Expenditures</b>	<b>BUDGET 2011</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2011</b>	<b>%</b>
Total Revenue	7,679,393.00	10,529,697.16	137%
Total Expenses	7,679,393.00	7,228,334.49	94%
Total difference revenue - expenses	0	3,301,362.67	

### Comparison to previous Master Plan

<b>Department Expenditures</b>	<b>Act. 2001</b>	<b>Act. 2002</b>	<b>Bud. 2003</b>	<b>Bud. 2004</b>
Total Recreation District Revenues	3044905	2531150	3290639	5192437
Total Recreation District Expenses	1765331	1883994	2665680	5192437
Total difference revenue - expenses	1279574	647156	624959	0

## **PARKS**

### Parks sections are separated as follows:

Responses to previous Master Plan recommendations  
Site visit notes  
Amenity Inventory  
2011 Survey Results (if available)  
Recommended improvements  
Priorities

### Parks listed are as follows:

Ashley Valley - 5-1  
Avalon - 5-2  
Ballard City - 5-3  
Dinaland - 5-4  
Independence - 5-5  
Jensen - 5-6  
Kay Memorial - 5-7  
Lapoint - 5-8  
Naples - 5-9  
Remember the Maine - 5-10  
Serenity - 5-11  
Trails - 5-12  
Tridell - 5-13

PARKS



## **CITY / COUNTY PARK** **(ASHLEY VALLEY COMMUNITY PARK)**

The park on the whole is in good shape and serves as a focal point for the community. The 4 main ball fields were redone including constructing the scorer's building and walkways associated. The park has been greatly improved since 6 years ago. Playground equipment has been completely replaced and upgraded. Existing trees are maturing and the grounds seem well tended to.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Sports Complex Park

Location: 500 North 900 West, Vernal

Size: 30 acres

Expansion: Bound on north, east and south by roads. Bound on west by school.

Owner: (3) owners; Uintah County, east strip; Vernal City, middle section; Uintah Recreation District, west ball fields and skatepark

Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District.

### **Existing Conditions**

The park is central to Vernal City and has one of the highest usage rates throughout the county. Much of that usage comes on the (7) ball fields spread across the property.

One sign located east of the main parking lot notifies users of the park name. Paths generally radiate from this central parking area.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improvements in the entire park have added ADA access to most areas. The playground still does not have ADA access.</li> </ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No new acreage needed. The northwest portion of the park sandwiched between 500 North and the elementary school property could be sold.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No park Acreage has been added or sold.</li> </ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is existing tennis court infrastructure at this location, but it has been altered to accommodate skatepark amenities. With tennis courts available at the High School and tennis courts planned for Kay Park, removal of all park elements makes sense at this location.</li> <li>Provide (1) full size basketball court.</li> <li>Revamp (1) softball field to be a baseball field and make the park a baseball complex. Remove (2) softball fields.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tennis infrastructure remains.</li> <li>No basketball court has been added.</li> <li>(2) baseball fields exist and access to (5) softball fields remain.</li> </ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add (1) restroom building.</li> <li>Add (13) lights along paths. Add (33) lights throughout parking areas.</li> <li>Add (1) drinking fountain in northwest corner of park. Add (1) drinking fountain in south portion of park.</li> <li>Add (1) 4-table pavilion.</li> <li>Add (20) trees throughout the park.</li> <li>Install (2) benches within northwest corner of park.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Restroom building has been added but is not open unless the baseball complex is open.</li> <li>Lights have been added to all ball park areas. No lights added in the parking lots. (2) lights have been added behind restroom building but none on pathways.</li> <li>(1) Drinking fountain has been added to the baseball concession building. Water fountain in northwest corner has not been installed.</li> <li>No 4-table pavilion has been added.</li> <li>(20 or more) trees have been added.</li> <li>No benches have been installed in northwest corner of park.</li> </ul>

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<p><b>Other Recommendations</b></p> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-pave and re-stripe 268,500 SF of parking lots.</li> <li>• Add walks</li> <li>• Improve the skatepark to a cast-in-place concrete park with plaza, bowl and street elements. Professionally designed and installed skateparks have considerably higher usability and durability. More research should be given to the feasibility of a cast-in-place concrete park.</li> <li>• Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.</li> <li>• Provide (1) water spigot attached to both drinking fountains.</li> <li>• Install (1) grill at new pavilion</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renovate and update existing restrooms.</li> <li>• Remove northwest concession stand.</li> <li>• Remove maintenance shed and install new one.</li> <li>• Paint exposed wood on dugouts. Paint scoring booths.</li> <li>• Add soffit and fascia to concession stand.</li> <li>• Per IBC add landings to scoring booths.</li> <li>• Update pavilion aesthetics.</li> <li>• Update dugouts.</li> </ul>	<p><b>RESPONSE:</b></p> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parking lots have been repaved and partially re-striped.</li> <li>• Many sidewalks have been installed in baseball complex area.</li> <li>• <b>Skatepark has not been improved.</b></li> <li>• Picnic tables may or may not have been supplied.</li> <li>• <b>No spigots attached to water fountains.</b></li> <li>• Grill installation cannot be verified.</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Existing restrooms do not appear to have been renovated.</b></li> <li>• <b>Northwest concession stand has been removed.</b></li> <li>• New maintenance shed has been installed</li> <li>• New dugouts and scoring booth has been constructed.</li> <li>• New concession stand has been constructed.</li> <li>• <b>New scoring booths have been constructed.</b></li> <li>• <b>Pavilion Aesthetics have received no major upgrade.</b></li> <li>• <b>New dugouts have been constructed.</b></li> </ul>

COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

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## 2012 Site Visit Notes

### Landscaping

- The buffer between the park and Highway 121 is not apparent.
- Trees would be a welcome addition. There are many trees that are mature and still many more that were planted a few years ago. There are still large swaths of green space that could benefit from planting more trees. They help by providing shade, assist in the establishment of 'place' and cut wind that may come through the site.
- Trees would also be a welcome addition in the main parking lot. Shade would keep cars and the asphalt cooler.

### Recreation

- **Sand Volleyball Courts**
  - Usage is high and the poles and nets look as though they could be upgraded.
- **Baseball Fields**
  - The most glaring issue is the compaction of grass coming out of the maintenance entrances caused by heavy equipment. Recommended to install pavers or other method of improving this situation.

- **Softball Fields**
  - Further organization of ball fields and their ownership or use should be ironed out or expedited. The two softball fields on the West side of park are in questionable control for scheduling

### **Restrooms**

- During the times when the ball parks are in use, the bathrooms in the middle of the main four fields are open. Otherwise there is the restroom facility by the parking lot and a small one by the skate park that is adapted use in conjunction with the maintenance building. Addition of another facility is worth discussion.



### **Signage**

- The sign in the parking lot to the North is old and hardly visible. Additional signage at other entrances is noticeably absent.

### **Skate and Bike Park**

- The skate park and the bike park are in a spot that is not entirely visible.
- Concrete bowls and permanent features might increase the ridership of the park.
- Removing the chain link fence and replacing with one more visually pleasing would help the appeal of these two parks.
- Moving these parks is worth discussion. There seems to be pros and cons either way. The weight of these assessments may drive the parks to be put in a different location in the park or a different location entirely, outside of the city/county park.
- Immediately adjacent to the elementary school and cases of bullying have been recorded.
- Is close to the convenience store and middle school.
- Either way these two parks are deemed necessary and an asset to the community and should be held in a higher regard.



## **Amenity Inventory**

### **Access**

Aside from described parking herein, Vernal Junior High is a major provider of City/County Park parking.

#### **Central Parking**

- Surface Type: Asphalt .
- Surface Condition: New.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to east.
- Size/#Stalls: 260'x122', 33,000 SF, (106) stalls defined.
- ADA Accessibility: (4) stalls defined.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from fields and horseshoe pits.
- Landscaping: Small flower planters placed in median and in front of entry sign with no plantings within them.
- Other: Simple painted metal rail barriers separate parking from park areas.

#### **North Parking**

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: New.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to northeast.
- Size/#Stalls: 208'x58', 12,300 SF, no striping.
- ADA Accessibility: No stalls defined.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from fields and pavilion.
- Landscaping: None.

#### North Ball Field Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Poor.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to east.
- Size/#Stalls: 320'x140' triangular shape, 47,200 SF, no striping.
- ADA Accessibility: No stalls defined.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from fields.
- Landscaping: None.

#### Central Ball Field Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Average.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to east.
- Size/#Stalls: 210'x120', 24,000 SF, 55 Stalls striped.
- ADA Accessibility: (3) ADA stalls striped.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from fields.
- Landscaping: None.
- Other: Significant windshield damage possibilities.

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#### West Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Poor.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to east.
- Size/#Stalls: Irregular shape, 70,000 SF, no striping.
- ADA Accessibility: No stalls defined.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from fields.
- Landscaping: None.
- Other: Very irregular shape.

#### East Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Average.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to southeast.
- Size/#Stalls: 1050'x12', 76,000 SF, no striping.
- ADA Accessibility: No stalls defined.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from fields.
- Landscaping: None.

#### Sidewalks:

- Surface Type: Concrete and asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Length/Width: 1,300' length x varying widths.
- Lighting: None.
- ADA Compliance: No connections into play equipment.

#### Signs:

- Park Signage: (1) sign on the east side of the site.
- Regulatory Signage: Various signs throughout the site.

#### **Utilities**

- Water: 2" culinary to restrooms.
- Sewer: 4" lines from restrooms.

- Storm: (1) at east end of park.
- Electrical: Power provided to field lighting, restrooms and concession building.
- Gas:

### **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain (0) in Center of park by restroom, (2) in ballfield concession building.
- Spigots: (1) by horseshoe pit.
- Fencing: 750 lf of fencing surrounding the skate park.
- 100 lf of fencing between east parking lot and horseshoe pits.
- Benches: (8) around north playgrounds.
- Tables: (15) located within the large pavilion. (15) located within the smaller pavilion. (4) small tables located behind backstops at central ball fields.
- Trash receptacles: (40) standard city / county receptacles throughout park.
- Fire Pit: None.
- BBQ: (5) grills by large pavilion. (1) grill by small pavilion, (0) by volleyball court.
- Flagpole: (1) at Colton Pavilion, (4) new, above scoreboards in new ball fields.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Aside from drinking fountains, none accommodated.

### **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

#### North Playground

- Playground Equipment: Upgraded playground equipment includes 25,000 Sq. Ft.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood chip
- Playground age: All equipment can be considered new.
- ADA: Aside from playground transfer station, no means of accessing equipment.



#### Northeast Playground

- Playground Equipment: 5,000 SF of play area. Equipment includes Large play set.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood chip.
- Playground age: New.
- ADA: Aside from playground transfer station, no means of accessing equipment.

### **Landscaping**

#### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: Generally, noticeable land outside of recreation fields slope to the North with insignificant elevation changes. There is a large berm behind the Northwest ballfield that protects park participants from long hit balls.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: City planters are placed throughout the park.
- Lawn: 918,000 SF.
- Trees: (134) shade and ornamental trees throughout park.

#### Irrigation:

- Source: Six inch line running through center of park. Water source is Kids Canal. Pumped from (3) 30 hp pumps. Culinary lines are used when canal water is not available. This only allows for 400 gpm.
- Control System: Electric valves with controller inside maintenance shed.
- Irrigation Type: Secondary irrigation water, with culinary backup.
- Notes:

## **Recreation**

- Ball Field: (7) lighted and well-maintained ball fields with large backstops and lighting. The (2) baseball and (2) softball fields have scoring booths (see facilities section).
- Soccerfield: None.
- Football Field: None.
- Horseshoe Pits: (8) fenced and in good condition.
- Basketball: None.
- Volleyball: (2) court on northeast corner .
- ADA: None defined.

## **Facilities**

### **Restrooms:**

#### **Public Restroom 1:**

- Construction Type: Masonry.
- Size: 630 SF.
- Mens: (2) stalls, (1) urinal, (1) sink .
- Womens: (3) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated panels and paint.
- Storage/Utility Room: small room between toilets, access door on east wall.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 2"
  - Sewer: 4"
  - Power: 110 Volt
- ADA: Not fully accommodated.
- Notes: Park superintendent mentioned this facility is inadequate.
- Drinking fountain has been removed.



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#### **Maintenance Building Employee Restroom:**

- (1) Stall toilet inside maintenance area, for employee use.
- (1) Shop sink.

#### **Maintenance Building Public Restroom 2:**

- Public access restrooms on west side of building.
- Mens: (1) stall, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.
- ADA: Fully accommodated.

#### **Ball field Public Restroom 3:**

- Public access restrooms on east side of building.
- Mens: (1) stall, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.
- ADA: Fully accommodated.



#### **East Pavilion:**

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 6,400 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Lighting within pavilion, electrical hookups around base.

- ADA: not accommodated.
- Notes: pavilion edge slopes uncomfortably to floor. This pavilion was designed to hold an ice arena during winter months but proved to be difficult to maintain.

West Pavilion:

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 4,300 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Lighting within pavilion, electrical hookups around base.
- ADA: None defined.
- Notes: None.
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Scoring/ Concession Booth:

- Construction Type: CMU block w / wood and shingle roof.
- Size: 3,200 SF on two floors.
- Condition: Excellent condition.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 3/4" culinary line .
  - Sewer: 4" sewer.
  - Power: Yes.
  - Gas:
  - ADA: Accommodated on lower level.



New Maintenance Building:

- Construction Type: CMU block.
- Size: 200 SF shop space, 200 SF office space, 600 SF restrooms (2800 SF total).
- Condition: New.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 1" meter and line to building and restrooms.
  - Sewer: 4" from building into a 6" line.
  - Power: 110/220 volt for lighting and shop service.
  - Gas: 320 Gal. Propane tank for heating and hot water.

ADA: Not accommodated.

Special Use Facilities

- Skatepark: Two existing tennis courts that have been in a state of disrepair serve as grounds for a skate park and BMX park.
- Gazebo: Was Vernal LDS Tabernacle lantern tower and cupola dome.
- Batting Cages: 2 located behind main Baseball Field.

## Results from 2011 Survey

Please rate the amenities at the Ashley Valley Community Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
Playground	1.3% (6)	29.6% (133)	<b>69.0% (310)</b>
Restrooms	42.7% (188)	<b>49.8% (219)</b>	7.5% (33)
Lighting	20.6% (90)	<b>64.8% (283)</b>	14.6% (64)
Athletic Fields	6.2% (27)	38.5% (169)	<b>55.4% (243)</b>
Pavilions	6.1% (27)	<b>62.4% (275)</b>	31.5% (139)
Parking	27.0% (119)	<b>61.2% (270)</b>	11.8% (52)
Maintenance	7.1% (31)	<b>63.5% (278)</b>	29.5% (129)

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## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilions, playgrounds and other services.
- Opportunities as park improves include providing access to new parking lots and playgrounds.



### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No new acreage needed. The northwest portion of the park sandwiched between 500 North and the elementary school property could be acquired by the Recreation District or incorporated better into the park as a whole.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- There is existing tennis court infrastructure at this location, but it has been altered to accommodate skatepark amenities. With tennis courts available at the High School and tennis courts planned for Kay Park, removal of all court elements makes sense at this location. Other options for this area of the park include:
  - Reinstatement of tennis courts in conjunction with moving the skatepark.
  - Removing all tennis court elements and upgrading skatepark amenities to a concrete bowl park with more permanent skatepark elements.
  - Or moving skatepark and provide more parking.
- Provide (1) full size basketball court.
- Realign (2) softball fields in Western section of park for better playing conditions.
- Create walking path around perimeter of park, consider inclusion of exercise equipment at stops along pathway.
- Update Volleyball court hardware and location.



### **Survey Recommendations**

- Add a decorative and functional fence element between Highway 121 (500 North) and the park. A few ideas include:
  - A fence (that is common to other style fences in the park system) along the road.
  - A rock wall (much like that of the Naples Park parking lot).
  - A colonnade of trees by the road.
- Improve restroom near east parking lot. It should be renovated and expanded to handle park participants that are not part of the ballfield activities.
  - Make this restroom ADA compliant.
- Add (13) lights along paths. Add (33) lights throughout parking areas.
  - Exact number of lights would be determined by a qualified light consultant but should encompass walking paths around the park and parking lots. Lights developed with dark sky recommendations should be considered.
  - Timers and other technologies to save energy usage and money should be considered.



- Add (1) drinking fountain in northwest corner of park.
- Repair drinking fountain on existing bathroom near east parking lot.
- Add (2) 4-table pavilions.
- Add (20) trees throughout the park. Add more if budget allows.
- Install (2) benches within northeast corner of park, (8) benches around west playground, (2) benches adjacent to east playground and (8) additional benches placed strategically with regard to shade, solar and feature orientation.

### Other Recommendations

#### Site

- Re-pave and re-stripe 268,500 SF of parking lots.
- Add and repair walks.
  - Create a walking path that circumnavigates the park.
  - Some walkways are heaving and need repair.
- Add (10) picnic tables throughout park.
- Provide (1) water spigot attached to each drinking fountain.
- Install grills at old and any new pavilion at a rate of (1) grille per (4) picnic tables.
- Provide (1) large grilling area within an existing pavilion or as a part as a new pavilion.
- Recommend to replace or upgrade current sign and add coherent signage to other sections of the park.



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#### Architecture

- Renovate and update existing restroom at east section of park.
- Update pavilion aesthetics. Consider updating paint to a more coherent and coordinated scheme between pavilions both within the park and the park system.
  - Long term plans should include removing and replacing with more coherent aesthetics.
- Replace Maintenance access areas into ballparks.
- Tie park into mass transit stations where possible.



#### Notes

- There needs to be a strong paved and or landscaped relationship between the parking lot, the ball field, playground, pavilion and basketball court. This should tie into Freestone Walking Park.
- Currently the Northwest section is owned by the school district. In the interest of the development of this site an agreement should be made between the school district and URD. If an agreement were arrived at, the redesign of this area could more fully utilize the Northwest section. This space could become an informal multipurpose field with a backstop and soccer capabilities.
- There is a need for a field for T-ball to service the younger children. This may be absorbed when Kay Memorial Fields are installed or used with incorporation of northwest field area.
- The skatepark should be improved to a cast-in-place concrete park with plaza, bowl and street elements. Professionally designed and installed skateparks have considerably higher usability and durability. More research should be given to the feasibility of a cast-in-place concrete park and whether it is appropriate to locate it here or at another park.

## Priorities

**1**

- Trees and planting improvements.
- Install or repair drinking fountains.
- Update Volleyball court hardware.
- Add Grilles to pavilions and other areas.
- Add decorative or planted fence to north side of park.
- Add timers to existing light fixtures and systems.
- Repair and replace maintenance access areas into ballparks.

**2**

- Upgrade aesthetics of pavilions.
- Add (2) 4-table pavilions to more remote areas of park.
- Replace the restroom building located next to the East parking lot.
- Construct more walks between elements within the park.
- Update Skate park or consider moving to Kay Memorial when it is upgraded.
- Coordinate with other recreation entities to organize maintenance and scheduling of all ball parks.
- Tie into future mass transit opportunities.

**3**

- Replace existing pavilions with newer, less industrial types.
- Investigate ownership opportunity of ballfield on far west of park area.



#### DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Trees and planting improvements</li> <li>▶ Install or repair drinking fountains</li> <li>▶ Update volleyball court hardware</li> <li>▶ Add grills to all pavilions</li> <li>▶ Add decorative or planted fence to north side of park</li> <li>▶ Add timers to existing light fixtures and systems</li> <li>▶ Repair and replace maintenance access areas into ballparks</li> <li>▶ Horseshoe pit improvements</li> </ul>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Upgrade aesthetics of pavilions</li> <li>▶ Add (2) 4-table pavilions to more remote areas of park</li> <li>▶ Replace the restroom building located next to the east parking lot</li> <li>▶ Construct more walks between elements within the park</li> <li>▶ Update Skate park or consider moving to Kay Memorial when it is upgraded</li> <li>▶ Coordinate with other recreation entities to organize maintenance and scheduling of all ballfields.</li> <li>▶ Tie into future mass transit opportunities</li> </ul>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Replace existing pavilions with newer, less industrial types</li> <li>▶ Investigate ownership opportunity of ballfield on far west of park area</li> </ul>

## AVALON PARK

Avalon park is situated in a sparsely populated area in the Basin. It serves the Communities of Randlett and Avalon. The community center provides access for local residents to a place of gathering, a source for internet access and a location for park activities. This park serves an important function for the local rural residents.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Park Rural

Location: Randlett

Size: 1.8 acres

Usage:

Expansion: Existing farm property around site.

Opportunity for tying into rodeo grounds to the west.

Owner: Uintah County

Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District maintains the new facility in the rear of the property and the playground. The community building and fire station are maintained by Uintah County.

### **Existing Conditions**

Avalon Park is situated in a remote section of the county. Approximately an eighth of the potential acreage is developed. The green space that existed a few years ago has been replaced with an indoor basketball court, the landscape is barren and there are propane tanks located on the park grounds. The playground is hidden from the closest road behind the community center and the fire department.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to building and playground.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Building is accessible.</li><li>Playground is not accessible.</li></ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Add (5) acres for new ballfield.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No new acreage has been added.</li></ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Add (1) basketball court.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Basketball Courts have been added to the interior of the new community building.</li></ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Add new set of restrooms with outdoor access.</li><li>Add (2) lights for parking.</li><li>Add (1) accessible drinking fountain by the pavilion.</li><li>Add (1) 550 sf pavilion with (6) picnic tables.</li><li>Add trees in areas yet to be landscaped.</li><li>Provide (2) benches near playground and (1) within wooded area.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>New restrooms have been added but are only accessible when building is open.</li><li>No new lights for parking have been added.</li><li>No drinking fountain has been added.</li><li>No pavilion has been added.</li><li>No trees have been added.</li><li>No benches have been added.</li></ul>
<b>Other Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Add (1) picnic table by the basketball court.</li><li>Provide (1) water spigot attached to drinking fountain.</li><li>Replace existing 880 lf fencing with new 6'-0" chain link.</li><li>Install (1) volleyball court.</li><li>Install (1) grill</li><li>Landscape remaining 36,000 sf of park.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No picnic table has been added.</li><li>Spigot and drinking fountain have been added to indoor facility.</li><li>No fence replaced.</li><li>Outdoor volleyball court has been added but not finished. Indoor court is available.</li><li>No permanent grill has been added.</li><li>Landscaping not provided.</li></ul>
<b>Notes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>There needs to be a strong paved relationship between the parking lot, the community center, playground, pavilion and basketball court.</li><li>The parking lot should have clean well defined edges.</li><li>The fire station propane tanks should be moved to a less dominant location.</li><li>Selectively prune existing trees.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Parking lot and building run into each other and relationship has not been built.</li><li>Parking lot not defined.</li><li>Propane tanks have not been moved.</li><li>Trees have not been pruned.</li></ul>

COLOR LEGEND						
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes	

## 2012 Site Notes

### **Grounds**

- Grounds are basically dirt. Wood chip surrounds the playground but other than this, the grounds are either in transition or in neglect.
- One manual sprinkler waters as much grass as a person can move it around.
- The only connection to the rodeo grounds is the dirt extends continuously off the park site.
- Sidewalks could be added in strategic areas making the playground area ADA accessible.



### **Landscaping**

- There is no shade in this park.
- There is no lawn or special attention to decorative or informative planting.
- Basic upgrades are needed on most levels.

### **Pavilions**

- There are no pavilions.

### **Recreation**

- A volleyball court has been installed here but the net is missing and the surrounding area is torn up.
- (2) Horseshoe pits have been installed and provide that amenity though they are simple and reside in the same surroundings as the volleyball court.

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### **Restrooms**

- The restrooms are located inside of the basketball building and locked during closed times.

### **Signage**

- There is no signage for this park in particular. There is a sign at the road and on community building indicating that this is the Avalon Community Center.

## Amenity Inventory

### **Access**

#### **Parking**

- Surface Type: asphalt.
- Surface Condition: good.
- Drainage: generally flat.
- Size/#Stalls: 170'x70', 15,773 SF, (15) stalls defined.
- ADA Accessibility: (1) dedicated stall.
- Lighting: indirect from building.
- Landscaping: none.
- Other: none.
- Sidewalks: Sidewalk leads from parking lot to basketball building.
- Trails: none.
- Signs: Signs noting 'Avalon Community Center' are present but none for the park.

### **Utilities**

- Water (Where): 2" water line.
- Sewer (Size/Where):
- Storm (Size/Where):
- Electrical (Size/Where):

- Gas (Size/Where):

### **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: (2) Inside the basketball facility.
- Spigots: none.
- Fencing: barbed wire on south bordering with neighbor.
- Tables: none.
- Trash receptacles: none.
- Fire Pit: none.
- BBQ: none.
- Flagpole: (1).
- Bike Racks: none.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: none.
- ADA: ramp to sidewalk and community center.

### **Playground Exercise Equipment**

- Playground Equipment: 786 SF of play area w/ equipment.
- Playground Surfacing: wood chip.
- Playground age: relatively new.
- ADA: aside from playground transfer station, no means of accessing equipment.



### **Landscaping**

#### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: none
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: none
- Lawn: No lawn currently.
- Trees: Elms on south.

#### Irrigation:

- Source: No system currently.

### **Recreation**

- Ballfield: none.
- Soccerfield: none.
- Football Field: none.
- Horseshoe Pits: (2) simple pits.
- Basketball: (1) Backboard in the parking lot with the rim broken off. (1) Court is available in the new community building.
- Volleyball: (1) sand court with no net and in questionable condition.
- ADA: basketball court is accessible.

### **Facilities**

#### Basketball facility

- Large open area available for indoor court sports.
  - Basketball backboards installed.
  - Portable volleyball net available.
- Restrooms: locked when building not in use.

#### Restrooms: in building with no outside access.

- (1) Uni-sex.
- (1) Uni-sex, ADA accessible.

#### Pavilion: none



## **Special Use Facilities**

Community Center: Used for community events.

- Construction Type: wood frame with vinyl siding.
- Size: 1400 SF.
- Mens: (x) stalls, (1) sink.
- Womens: (x) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: new.
- Storage/Utility Room:
  - Utilities:
  - Water:
  - Sewer:
  - Power:
- ADA: Ramp to entrance.
- Internet center for local residents.
- Kitchen available for use.

Fire Station: 1400 SF building.

## **Results from 2011 Survey**

Please rate the amenities at the Avalon Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
<b>Playground</b>	10.3% (10)	<b>73.2% (71)</b>	16.5% (16)
<b>Restrooms &amp; Center</b>	9.2% (9)	<b>56.1% (55)</b>	34.7% (34)
<b>Parking</b>	6.2% (6)	<b>66.0% (64)</b>	27.8% (27)
<b>Maintenance</b>	7.1% (7)	<b>56.1% (55)</b>	36.7% (36)

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## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to building and playground.
- Consider accessibility in any expansion activities pursued in the future.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- Add (5) acres for new ball field.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Add lawn area next to basketball building.
- Add multi-purpose field with backstop.
- Update playground area, expand.
- Update volleyball courts.
- Update horseshoe pit.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Add new set of restrooms with outdoor access.
- Add (2) parking lots and sufficient lighting for each.
  - Account for large trailers and horse transport in design of new parking lots.
- Add (1) 550 sf pavilion with (6) picnic tables on west side of community center.
- Add (1) 400 sf pavilion with (4) picnic tables on south side of parking lot.
- Add (1) accessible drinking fountain by each new pavilions.
- Add trees in areas yet to be landscaped. Trees should be planted on the West side of park for aesthetic, atmospheric and wind buffer reasons.
- Provide (2) benches near playground, (2) by volleyball court and (2) by horseshoe pits.



### **Other Recommendations**

- Provide (1) water spigot attached to each drinking fountain.
- Add decorative fence to delineate edge of park.
- Install (2) grille per pavilion.
- Landscape remainder of park.



### **Notes**

- There is ample opportunity to expand towards the rodeo grounds. This is coupled with a strong desire with the owner of the neighboring property to craft a better park area, conceding certain privileges to do so. If desire exists to expand, energies should continue in the community spirit to achieve desirable outcomes.
- There needs to be a strong paved relationship between the parking lot, the community center, playground, pavilion and basketball court.
- Each parking lot should have clean well defined edges and separation from park functions should be emphasized.
- The fire station propane tanks should be moved to a less dominant location.
- Selectively prune existing trees.
- There is little created in terms of sense of place.

## Priorities

<b>1</b>	Provide an outdoor gathering area including a pavilion and bbq areas. Upgrade volleyball courts. Update horseshoe pits. Move propane tanks to a more appropriate location. Landscape remainder of current park site. Plant trees.
<b>2</b>	Improve connection between indoor court space and outdoor/playground area. Create connection between two community buildings on site. Connect to the rodeo grounds and incorporate space in between (See Site plan).
<b>3</b>	Build new entry building to connect to the court building. Install large opening to indoor court facility to connect outdoor spaces to indoor spaces. Contract to remove the neighboring site's building waste.

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## **BALLARD CITY PARK**

Ballard City Park is situated at the west edge of the county within the city limits of Ballard. It is at the end of a road and next to the City building. While this location and the proximity to a new development will in the future add to the attendance of park participants, for now it remains a lesser used park in the system. It's proximity to Naples brings people in but also requires dollars spent for a population that doesn't pay.

Future decisions in this realm need careful attention.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Park Rural

Location: 2500 East 800 South, Ballard

Size: 2 acres

Expansion: 8.5 acres in total are available including maintenance yards and city land used for storage

Owner: Ballard City

Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

This park presents itself as a small oasis amongst barren lands. The parking lot and the City building are in average shape. The lawn is well tended and existing amenities are generally cared for. The pavilion is growing in age but suits the area well. The masonry on the back needs repair and the water fountain could use a little attention. All in all it serves the community in a fashion equal to it's condition.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

\*\*No discussion about park in previous master plan so no responses.

## 2012 Site Notes

### Recreation

- **Sand Volleyball Court**
  - The (1) court is aged and in need of maintenance.
- **Multi-use field**
  - A decent sized area of grass could be used for recreational activities needing a small size. Baseball and adult soccer would be difficult to accommodate.

### Grounds

- New playground equipment has been installed and the lawn is well maintained.
- A historic water fountain is constructed on site and has been refurbished recently. Currently it is not functioning.
- There is a swampy section of the grass between the restroom and playground indicating a possible leak or overwatering in a particular area.

### Restrooms

- New restrooms are available on premises and are clean and well functioning. They are also ADA accessible.

### Signage

- There is no signage at this park.

### Pavilion

- The pavilion on site is suitable for the park and speaks the language of the area. The West end of the pavilion houses two grill areas and a fireplace. The wall that contains these amenities is aging and cracking and will need attention soon.

### Lighting

- There is one light servicing the parking lot providing minimal lighting to the park area. The pavilion also has (6) lights under the roof that will also provide minimal lighting to the rest of the park.

## Amenity Inventory

### Access

#### Parking

- Surface Type: asphalt.
- Surface Condition: average.
- Drainage: 2 sewer drains in center of parking lot.
- Size/#Stalls: none defined, room for approx. 60 spaces.
- ADA Accessibility: none defined, a ramp to the pavilion exists.
- Lighting: (1) light.
- Landscaping: Line of trees on south side of parking lot, more trees would help with shading.
- Other: Simple painted metal rail barriers separate parking from park areas. Barriers need painting.

#### Sidewalks:



- Surface Type: concrete sidewalk from pavilion to restroom. Cracking concrete walk to water fountain area.
- Trails: none.
- ADA Compliance: no connections into play equipment.
- Signs: none.

### **Utilities**

- Water (Size/Where):
- Sewer (Size/Where):
- Storm (Size/Where): 2 drains in the center of parking lot.
- Electrical (Size/Where): Breaker box and hookups in pavilion.
- Gas (Size/Where): None.

### **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: (1) Drinking fountain that is historic in nature.
- Spigots: (1) Located next to the pavilion.
- Fencing: 450 LF 6' fencing around City yard, 850 LF 4' fencing along south and east borders of park.
- Tables: (12) located within the pavilion.
- Trash receptacles: (4) receptacles.
- Fire Pit: None.
- BBQ: (4) Located side by side in the pavilion.
- Benches: (2) in playground area.
- Flagpole: (1).
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Accommodated.



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### **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

- Playground Equipment: 6400 SF of play area w/ (1) large play set, (1) swing set.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood Chip.
- Playground age: Relatively new.
- ADA: No means of accessing equipment.

### **Landscaping**

#### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: None.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: None.
- Lawn: .5 acres of tended turf.
- Trees: 18 trees have been planted, mostly on south side of parking lot.

#### Irrigation:

- Source: ( )" mainline, fed by ( )" meter.
- Control System:
- Irrigation Type: Culinary.
- Notes:

### **Recreation**

- Ball Field: (1) abandoned ballfield with old backstop and piles of fill dirt in infield.
- Soccerfield: None

- Football Field: None.
- Horseshoe Pits: None.
- Volleyball: (1) - aged equipment.

## Facilities

### Restrooms:

- Construction: Poured concrete building.
- Size: 136 SF.
- Mens: (1) stalls, (1) sink.
- Womens: (1) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: New.
- Storage/Utility Room: Storage on back side of building.
- Utilities:
  - Water: Culinary
  - Sewer: Yes
  - Power: Yes
- ADA: Accommodated
- Notes:



### Large pavilion:

- Construction Type: Metal frame with masonry west end.
  - Fireplace and (4) grilles are included in the masonry structure.
- Size: 1800 SF.
- Condition: Average.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: (1) Spigot.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: (6) Lights (2) Receptacles.
- ADA: Simple entry to pavilion allows ADA access, no ADA access tables.



### Special Use Facilities

None



## Results from 2011 Survey

Please rate the amenities at the Ballard City Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
<b>Playground</b>	7.1% (4)	<b>57.1% (32)</b>	35.7% (20)
<b>Restrooms</b>	23.2% (13)	<b>60.7% (34)</b>	16.1% (9)
<b>Lighting</b>	16.7% (9)	<b>68.5% (37)</b>	14.8% (8)
<b>Green Space</b>	12.5% (7)	<b>48.2% (27)</b>	39.3% (22)
<b>Pavilions</b>	8.9% (5)	<b>55.4% (31)</b>	35.7% (20)
<b>Parking</b>	7.1% (4)	<b>58.9% (33)</b>	33.9% (19)
<b>Maintenance</b>	14.3% (8)	<b>53.6% (30)</b>	32.1% (18)

## Recommended Improvements

### ADA Recommendations

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to playground and other services.

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### Park Acreage Recommendations

- Expand into north and east sections of park as demand increases (See site plan).

### NRPA Recommendations

- Add green space area to the east of existing park.
- Add multi-purpose fields to the north of existing park.
- Add a small trail system or walking path in new section of park.

### Survey Recommendations

- Add an accessible drinking fountain by existing pavilion.
- Add trees throughout the park.
- Provide (4) additional benches near playground and (2) near volleyball court. Add (4) within east portion and (6) along planned trail as park expands.
- Add (2) pavilions as park expands.
- Add (1) restroom as park expands.

### Other Recommendations

#### Site

- Repair or remediate water issues on lawn near restroom.
- Add (3) picnic tables and pads along the planned trail.
- Add adequate lighting for park activities.
- Provide (1) water spigot attached to drinking fountain.
- Improve the Volleyball court and install (1) additional volleyball court.
- Add (2) trash receptacles by benches at playground, (2) in east park area, (2) at planned ball fields, (2) along the planned trail.
- Introduce more parking as the park expands.

- Add (12) trees and landscaping in existing parking lot.
- Add (15) trees to the park area.
- Add (2) horseshoe pits.

#### Architecture

- Repair masonry on existing pavilion.
- Paint metal in the pavilions.

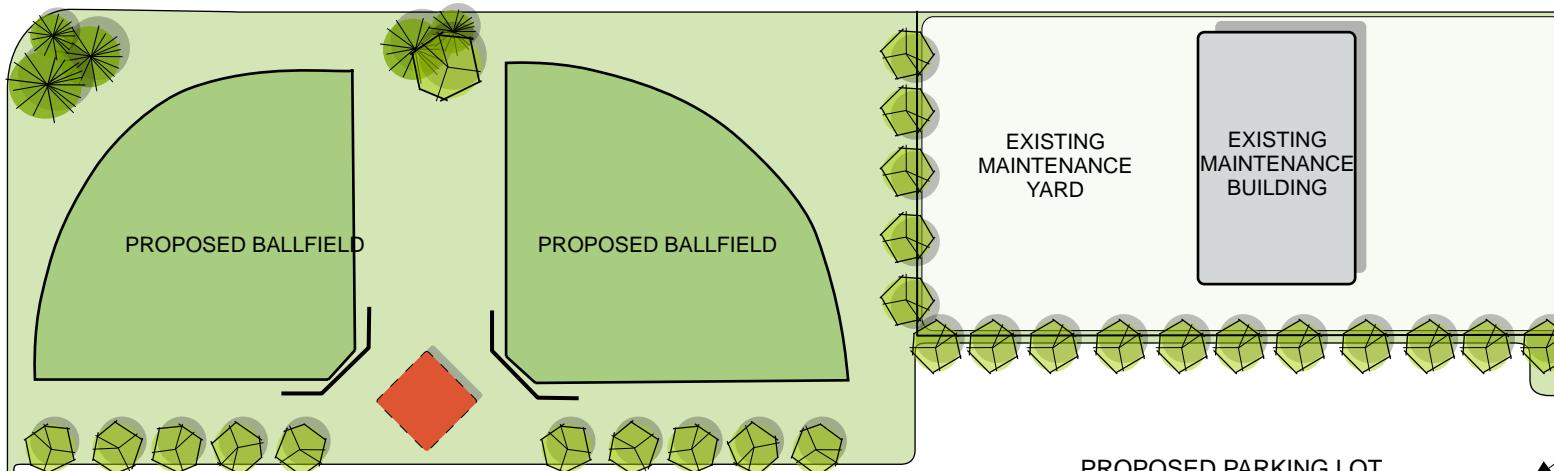
#### Notes

- There needs to be a strong paved and or landscaped relationship between the parking lot, the playground, pavilion and any future additions to the park.
- Consideration is needed with regards to upgrades and neighboring Naples. A cost analysis and cooperative funding proposal could be investigated to help with associated costs.
- The masonry wall in the pavilion is useful for barbecuing and hosting a fire, but it is also very useful in blocking Western sun on hot summer afternoons. Similar attention should be brought to other elements, such as trees on the south and west areas of the park and parking to provide shade on hot days.
- Irrigation is planned on replacement fall 2012.

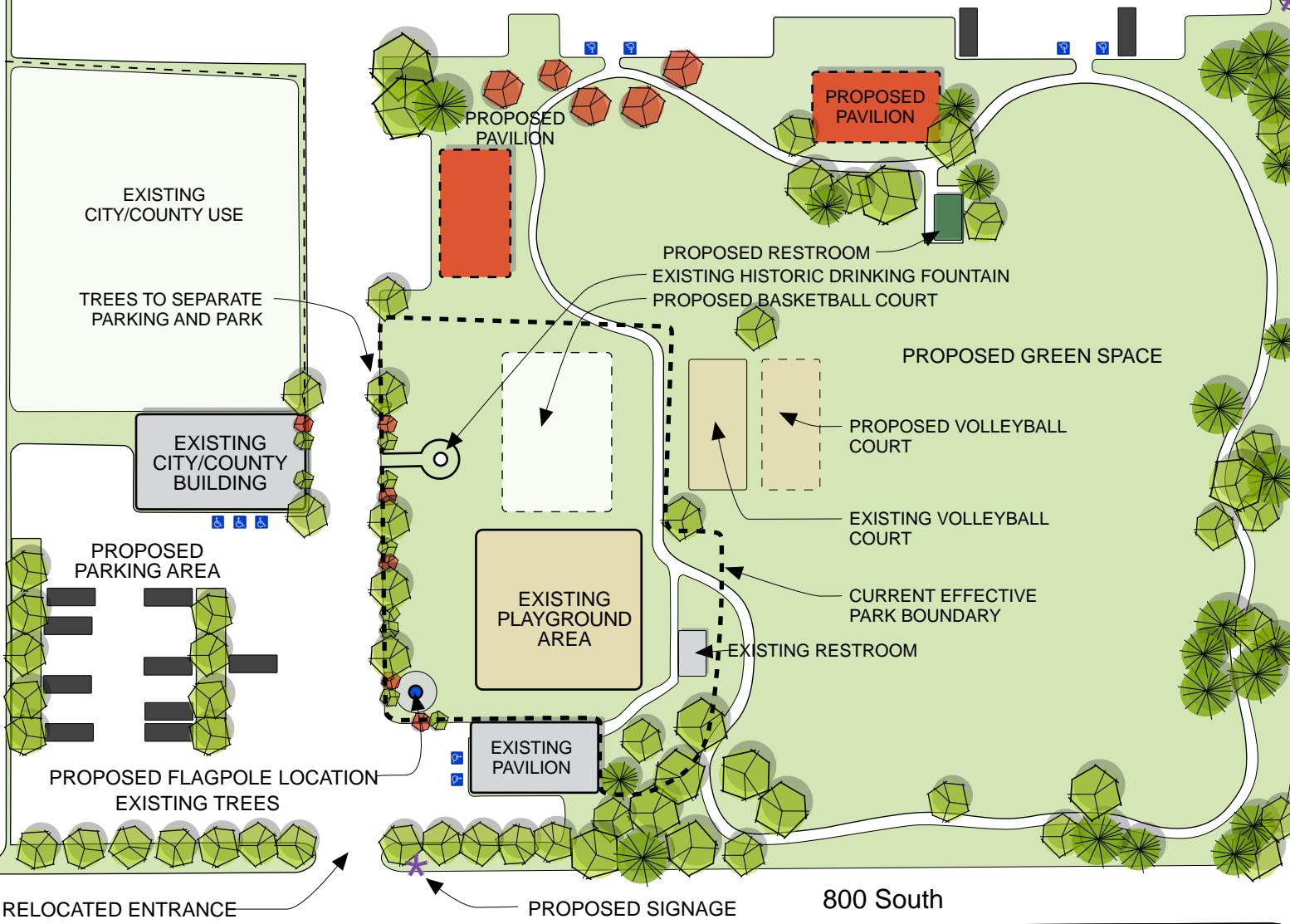
### Priorities

<b>1</b> Repair or remediate water issues on lawn near restroom. Improve the existing volleyball court. Repair masonry on west side of pavilion. Add trees to all areas within park area. Repair historic drinking fountain and add spigot if possible.
<b>2</b> Add planting features to the parking lot. Add water fountain to pavilion area. Add a small trail system or walking path in new section of park. Add benches to the playground and volleyball areas. Add adequate lighting to the existing park.
<b>3</b> Relocate south entrance to park. Expand park to the north and east as demand increases. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See site plan for amenities associated with park expansion.</li> </ul>

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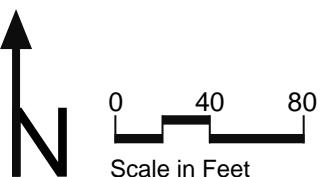


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#### DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Repair or remediate water issues on lawn near restroom</li><li>Improve the existing volleyball court</li><li>Repair masonry on west side of pavilion</li><li>Add trees to all areas within park area</li><li>Repair historic drinking fountain and add spigot if possible</li></ul>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Add planting features to the parking lot</li><li>Add water fountain to pavilion area</li><li>Add a small trail system or walking path in new section of park</li><li>Add benches to the playground and volleyball areas</li><li>Add adequate lighting to the existing parks</li></ul>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Relocate south entrance to park</li><li>Expand park to the North and East as demand increases</li><li>See site plan for amenities associated with park expansion</li></ul>



## **DINALAND GOLF COURSE**

Of these parks and amenities the golf course is significant in terms of its use and costs/income. It is a full service 18 hole championship golf course complete with a putting green, banquet pavilion, full service pro-shop and driving range. It offers a wide range of programming catering to golfers of all ages and abilities. The fees for the course are very reasonable and significantly below national and regional standards. It is managed by an independent contractor and maintained by URD staff.

This park (now classified under parks in the NRPA) was not specifically included in the 2006 Master Plan. It was put into the future consideration category. It is an integral part of the parks experience and should be integrated into future outlooks for the Recreation District as a whole. It brings people to the community and serves as an outdoor outlet for a great number of people.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Special Use Park  
Location: 675 South 2000 East, Vernal  
Size: 180 acres  
Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

The golf course is located on the East side of Vernal, running next to Ashley Creek. It is the only golf course in the city.

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## 2012 Site Notes

### **Recent Upgrades to Facilities**

- The driving range was recently upgraded.

### **Golf Course**

- Numerous areas of water logged turf dot the North section of the course, generally along the creek corridor in low lying areas. This makes some travel difficult and the golf experience less than stellar. It's not clear if it is an irrigation or drainage issue, or both.

### **Clubhouse**

- The clubhouse serves its function as well as it should. The opportunity for further accommodation of events will only be possible through an expansion, renovation or replacement.

### **Maintenance Shed (upper)**

- This shed is old and has outlived its meaningful life. The golf course has rented several storage units off site to store materials that should be stored here. Many maintenance machines are left outside because of lack of storage and small items inside do not have the area to be stored properly. The leach field for the building is insufficient or damaged. The frame is stable on this building but it no longer seems to fit in its place on the grounds of the golf course. It also fails to provide an inviting entry to the property.

### **Maintenance Shed (lower)**

- The lower shed is located in a proper location, close to the course but generally out of the view of the golfers. It seems to need water upgrades and a general overhaul. A larger shed, or a new shed combined with the upper shed in this location would benefit the maintenance of the course.

## Amenity Inventory

### **Access**

#### Central Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt with dirt overflow.
- Surface Condition: Average.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to northwest.
- Size/#Stalls: 32,000 SF, 70 Stalls.
- ADA Accessibility: (2) stalls defined with fading paint and no vertical signs.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from driving range and buildings adjacent to lot.
- Landscaping: Small flower planters placed in median and in front of entry sign.
- Other: Simple painted metal rail barriers separate parking from park areas.



#### Cart Paths:

- Surface Type: Asphalt throughout golf course.
- Surface Condition: Average with spots in disrepair due to water issues.
- Length/Width: 6' wide paths.
- Lighting: None.
- ADA Compliance: Yes.

#### Signs:

- Park Signage: (1) sign on entrance to golf course, (1) in front of first hole tee.
- Regulatory Signage: Various signs throughout the site.



### **Utilities**

- Water: 2" culinary to restrooms.
- Sewer: 4" lines from restrooms.
- Storm: (1) at east end of park.
- Electrical: Power provided to driving range lighting, clubhouse and maintenance sheds.
- Gas: Yes.

### **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain (1) in restroom building on northeast of course. (1) at clubhouse building - cart garage level.
- Fencing: Majority of property is fenced.
- Benches: (1) bench off hole 17.
- Tables: (15) located within the large pavilion. (4) located within the smaller pavilion on course.
- Trash receptacles: (2) at large pavilion. Several in and around clubhouse and small trash receptacles located at each tee box.
- BBQ: (1) grill by large pavilion.
- Flagpole:
- Bike Racks: None.
- ADA: Aside from drinking fountains, none accommodated.

### **Landscaping**

#### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: Generally, noticeable land outside of recreation fields slope to the North with insignificant elevation changes.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: City planters are placed throughout the park.
- Lawn: 918,000 SF.
- Trees: A combination of existing and natural tree masses and specimen trees planted for golf experience and playability.

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#### Irrigation:

- Source: Water - A spring off site feeds the water supply
- Control System: Rainbird Stratus II. Electric valves with controller inside upper maintenance shed.
- PLC Centrifugal pump system.
  - 16 hour watering cycle.
  - 1100 GPM rated.
- Notes: Complaints of watering while people are golfing are common.

### **Recreation**

- 9 hole course.
- 18 hole course.
- Driving Range.

### **Facilities**

Restroom Building (hole 7&8):

- Construction Type: Masonry.
- Size: xx SF.
- Mens: (2) stalls, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (3) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: Fair
- Storage/Utility Room:
- Utilities:
  - Water: 2".
  - Sewer: xx
  - Power: Stubbed for 120V but not activated.
- ADA: Not fully accommodated.

Restroom Building (hole 2,14&15):

- Construction Type: Masonry.
- Size: xx SF.
- Mens: (2) stalls, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (3) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated panels and paint.
- Storage/Utility Room: Small between toilets, access door on west wall.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 2".
  - Sewer: Pit.
  - Power: None.
- ADA:

Clubhouse:

- Restrooms
  - Mens: 2 Restrooms - (1) stall, (1) sink.
  - Womens: 2 Restrooms - (1) stall, (1) sink.
  - ADA: fully accommodated.
- (1) Commercial Kitchen and dining area.
- (1) Retail pro shop.

Maintenance Shed (Upper):

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 4,000 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Utilities:
  - Water: Yes.
  - Sewer: Antiquated leach field.
  - Power: 240V, 120V.
- Restrooms
  - (1) stall, (1) sink.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

Maintenance Shed (Lower):

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 1,200 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None (hand spigot located outside of shed).
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: 240V, 120V.



- ADA: Not accommodated.

Pump house:

- Construction Type: CMU.
- Size: xx SF:
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: 240V.
- ADA: None defined.
- Notes: None.

Upper Pavilion (In parking area):

- Construction Type: Metal frame with metal roof.
- Size: 4,000 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Power: (5) 120V Receptacles on east side of pavilion. No Lights.
- BBQ: One large bbq.
- ADA: Not accommodated.
- Notes: (15) Picnic tables in new condition.
  - (2) Trash cans available.

Lower Pavilion (on Golf Course):

- Construction Type: Metal frame with metal roof.
- Size: 875 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None, vending machines are caged and permanently fixed here.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Power: 120V for vending machines.
- ADA: Open and accessible.
- Notes:

Special Use Facilities



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Recommended Improvements

ADA Recommendations

- Update accessibility for parking, clubhouse, driving range and all golf course facilities.
- Alterations and updates to golf course must abide by ADA guidelines. Specific guidelines exist within ADA guidelines and should be followed.

Park Acreage Recommendations

- No new acreage needed.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Investigate programs that the NRPA has to offer, to grow game of golf, incorporate golf as a key component for a healthy lifestyle, and explore sustainability initiatives for the golf course as part of the overall park system.
  - SNAG (Start New at Golf) - Introduces young people to the game.
    - Grants are currently being offered for GBall program.
  - Get Golf Ready - Bringing new people to the game and getting others back.
  - PGA PerformanceTrak for tracking revenue streams.
- Add greenspace next to north edge of park along Ashley Creek.
  - Tie into future valley-wide trail system.
  - Use green space to augment drainage and lawn growth techniques.

### **Survey Recommendations (benches, pavilions, restrooms, lights, drinking fountains, trees)**

#### **Architecture**

- Renovate or Add to existing Clubhouse. A more robust facility could handle larger events such as weddings, holiday parties and conferences. This would give new life to an aging building, give a facelift to the golf program and increase revenues to the District.

#### **Site**

- Move upper maintenance facility to the lower maintenance facility area. This would coincide with the re-orientation of the parking lot and entry to the golf course. The lower maintenance area is a more central area to locate all of the maintenance operations.

### **Other Recommendations**

- Recommendations for golf course have been broken down into three levels of priority, 1 being most important.
- Survey of existing irrigations system. (diagram over site plan including heads and line locations, identify zones and areas with insufficient coverage, inefficiencies or other issues)
- Keep inventory of repair, both data-wise and graphically.
- Hire irrigation specialists.

### **Notes**

- Financial explorations should be encouraged on a feasibility level for this facility. There is great potential for revenue here. Expanding the offerings here while keeping costs in check could work to make the District more financially sustainable in the long run.

## Priorities

**1**

**Expand and meander fairways** to create visual interest and increase playability.

Commission an **Irrigation system review** and recommendation for upgrades/changes.

Add more **yardage identification**. Par 3 tees, sprinkler heads, cart paths, etc. to increase golfer experience and speed play.

Add **course signage** to direct golfers to correct tees, paths, etc.

**Increase "no mow" areas.** Grade (excavate) wet, unplayable areas to define "lowlands." Plant with wetland grasses, shrubs, trees as the site dictates for play. Will improve drainage, reduce maintenance costs and provide definition to low lying areas specifically in "no man's land" areas.

**2**

Create a **tree planting program**. Identify priority areas for trees to improve golf definition, playability, shade and general aesthetics. Identify appropriate tree species for planting areas. Consider adding a flowering theme tree to add visual interest throughout course.

**Regrade** lower landing area of hole 9 to provide a more friendly landing area for average golfers.

**Adjust routing** to modify Holes 2 and 11 from par 3's to increase speed of play starting on both nines.

**Improve Hole 18** visual and physical playability. Elevate tees and grade hillside transition to fairway to improve finishing hole.

Add **additional teeing areas** to existing tees and add new tees where feasible, especially on all par 3's..

**Add strategically placed bunkers** to enhance playability and visual interest as play dictates.

**3**

**Add berthing** to soften pond edges.

**Add berthing** to provide definition and interest and to enhance protection between holes. e.g. holes 6, 7, 12, 13, 14 and 18.

**Replace** existing asphalt **cart paths** with concrete paths. Add pull outs and concrete curbs where necessary to eliminate damage to turf areas. Meander new cart paths to provide interest and definition.

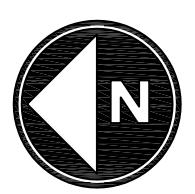
**Relocate maintenance facility** to parcel adjacent to 9 tees. Maintenance site should internalize facility and provide parking and storage areas.

**Move course entry** to align with neighboring subdivision and provide new and expanded golf and pavilion parking, formal drop off area for events and overall reorganized vehicular and golfer circulation.

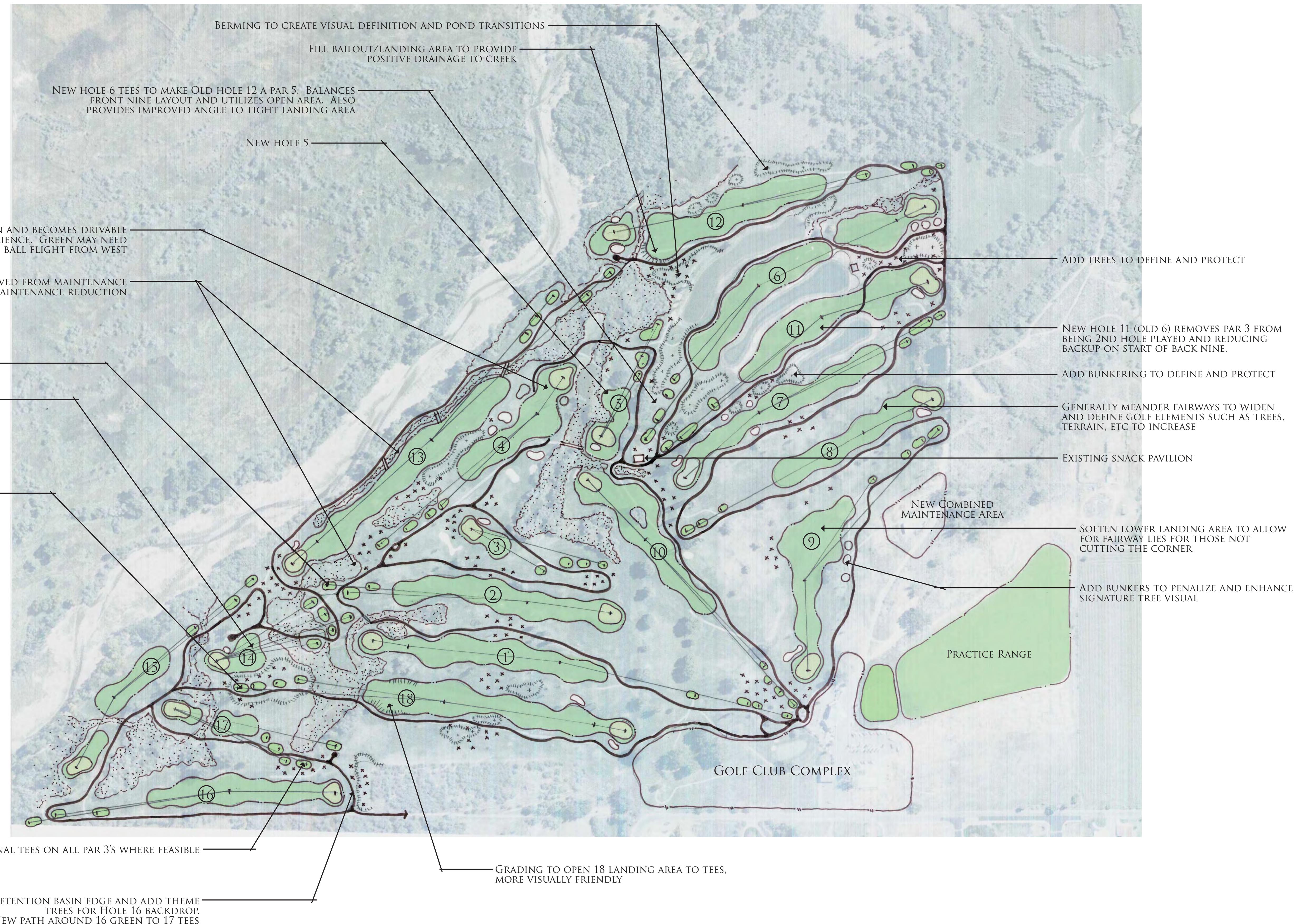
**Renovate and add square footage to Clubhouse.** The use of this building could be greatly increased, making it a more central building in the community and increasing revenue while adding conference space in Vernal. \*See following pages for possible solutions.

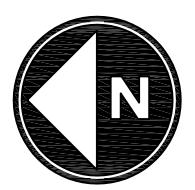
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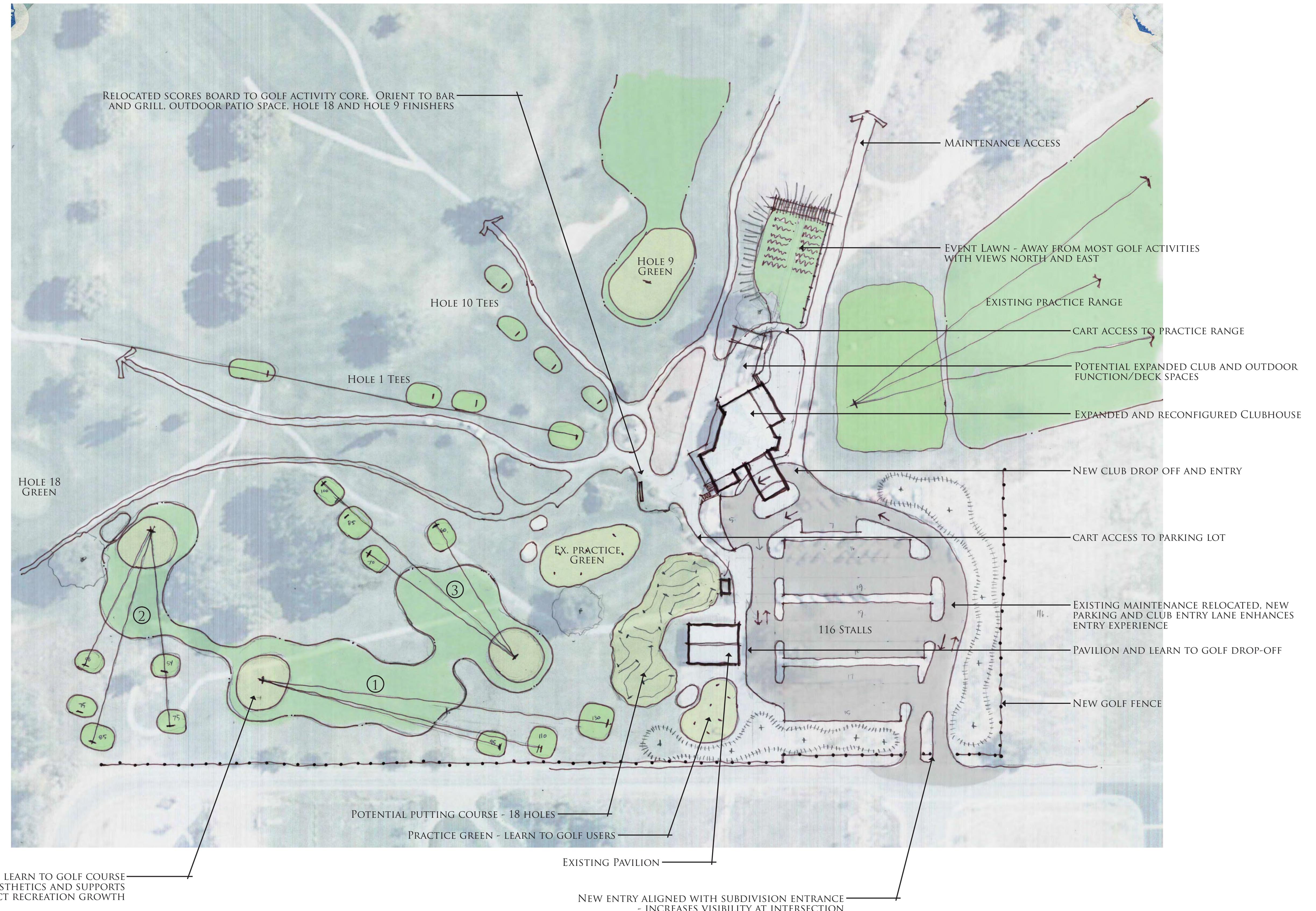


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SCALE: 1"=60'



# DINALAND GOLF COURSE MASTER PLAN

## DEFINITION

## PAR

EXPAND AND MEANDER FAIRWAYS TO CREATE VISUAL INTEREST AND INCREASE PLAYABILITY.

COMMISSION AN IRRIGATION SYSTEM REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION FOR UPGRADES/CHANGES.

ADD MORE YARDAGE IDENTIFICATION. PAR 3 TEES, SPRINKLER HEADS, CART PATHS, ETC. TO INCREASE GOLFER EXPERIENCE AND SPEED PLAY.

ADD COURSE SIGNAGE TO DIRECT GOLFERS TO CORRECT TEES, PATHS, ETC.

## PLAYABILITY

INCREASE "NO MOW" AREAS. GRADE (EXCAVATE) WET, UNPLAYABLE AREAS TO DEFINE "LOWLANDS". PLANT WITH WETLAND GRASSES, SHRUBS, TREES AS THE SITE DICTATES FOR PLAY. WILL IMPROVE DRAINAGE, REDUCE MAINTENANCE COSTS AND PROVIDE DEFINITION TO LOW LYING AREAS SPECIFICALLY IN "NO MAN'S LAND" AREAS

## REVENUE GENERATION

## BIRDIE

CREATE A TREE PLANTING PROGRAM. IDENTIFY PRIORITY AREAS FOR TREES TO IMPROVE GOLF DEFINITION, PLAYABILITY, SHADE AND GENERAL AESTHETICS. IDENTIFY APPROPRIATE TREE SPECIES FOR VARIOUS PLANTING AREA CONDITIONS. CONSIDER ADDING A FLOWERING/ORNAMENTAL THEME TREE TO ADD VISUAL INTEREST THROUGHOUT COURSE.

REGRADE LOWER LANDING AREA OF HOLE 9 TO PROVIDE A MORE FRIENDLY LANDING AREA FOR AVERAGE GOLFERS.

REGRADE (FILL) LOW AREA NEAR CREEK ON HOLE 13 TO IMPROVE DRAINAGE.

ADJUST ROUTING TO MODIFY HOLES 2 AND 11 FROM PAR 3'S TO INCREASE SPEED OF PLAY STARTING ON BOTH NINES.

IMPROVE HOLE 18 VISUAL AND PHYSICAL PLAYABILITY. ELEVATE TEES AND GRADE HILLSIDE TRANSITION TO FAIRWAY TO IMPROVE FINISHING HOLE.

ADD ADDITIONAL TEEING AREAS TO EXISTING TEES AND ADD NEW TEES WHERE FEASIBLE, ESPECIALLY ON ALL PAR 3'S.

ADD STRATEGICALLY PLACED BUNKERS TO ENHANCE PLAYABILITY AND VISUAL INTEREST AS PLAY DICTATES.

## LONG RANGE PLAN

## EAGLE

ADD BERMING TO SOFTEN POND EDGES

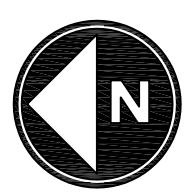
ADD BERMING TO PROVIDE DEFINITION AND INTEREST AND TO ENHANCE PROTECTION BETWEEN HOLES. E.G. HOLES 6, 7, 12, 13, 14 AND 18.

REPLACE EXISTING ASPHALT CART PATHS WITH CONCRETE PATHS. ADD PULL OUTS AND CONCRETE CURBS WHERE NECESSARY TO ELIMINATE DAMAGE TO TURF AREAS. MEANDER NEW CART PATHS TO PROVIDE INTEREST AND DEFINITION.

RELOCATE MAINTENANCE FACILITY TO PARCEL ADJACENT TO 9 TEES. MAINTENANCE SITE SHOULD INTERNALIZE FACILITY AND PROVIDE PARKING AND STORAGE AREAS.

MOVE COURSE ENTRY TO ALIGN WITH NEIGHBORING SUBDIVISION AND PROVIDE NEW AND EXPANDED GOLF AND PAVILION PARKING, FORMAL DROP OFF AREA FOR EVENTS AND OVERALL REORGANIZED VEHICULAR AND GOLFER CIRCULATION.

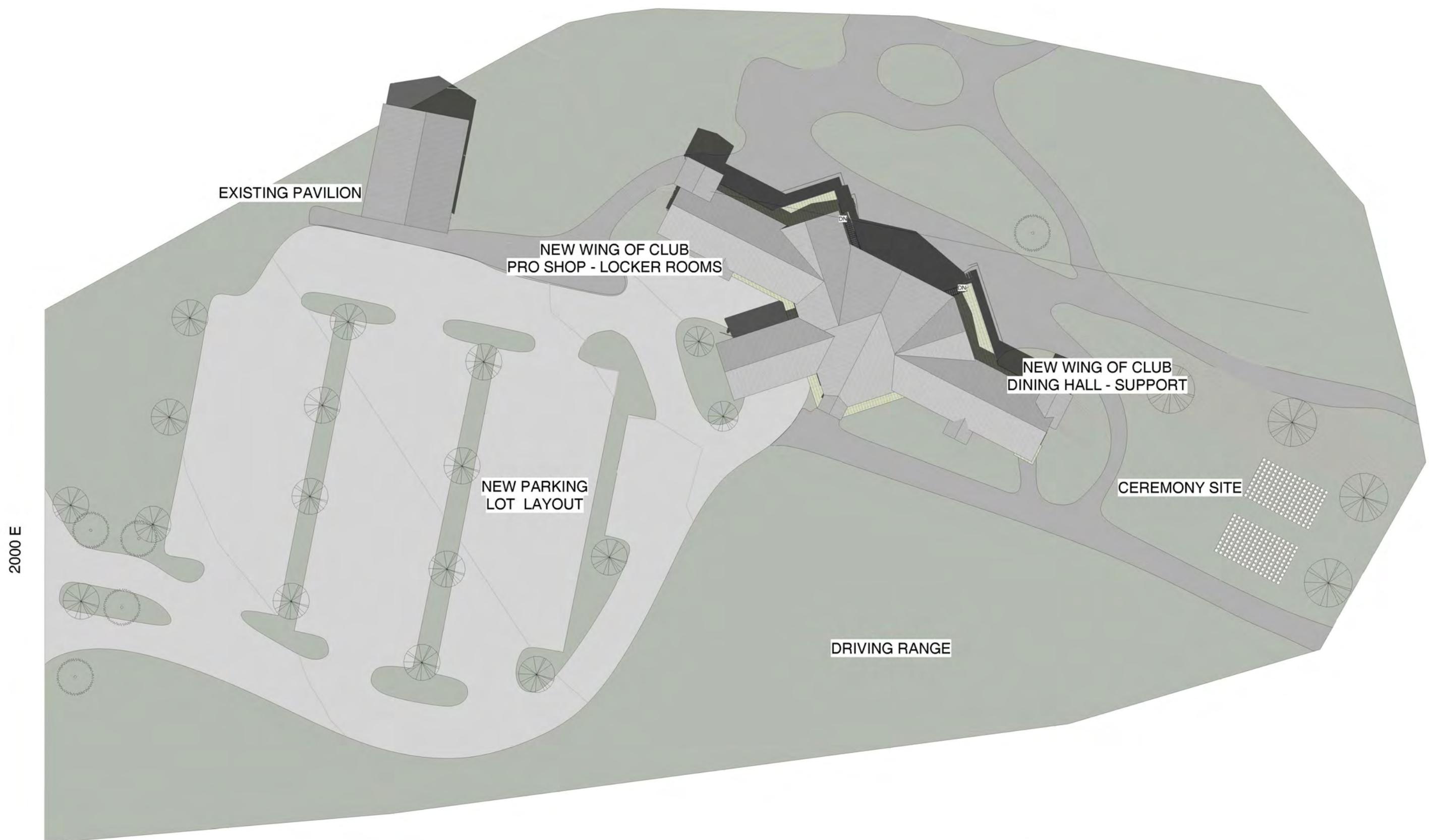
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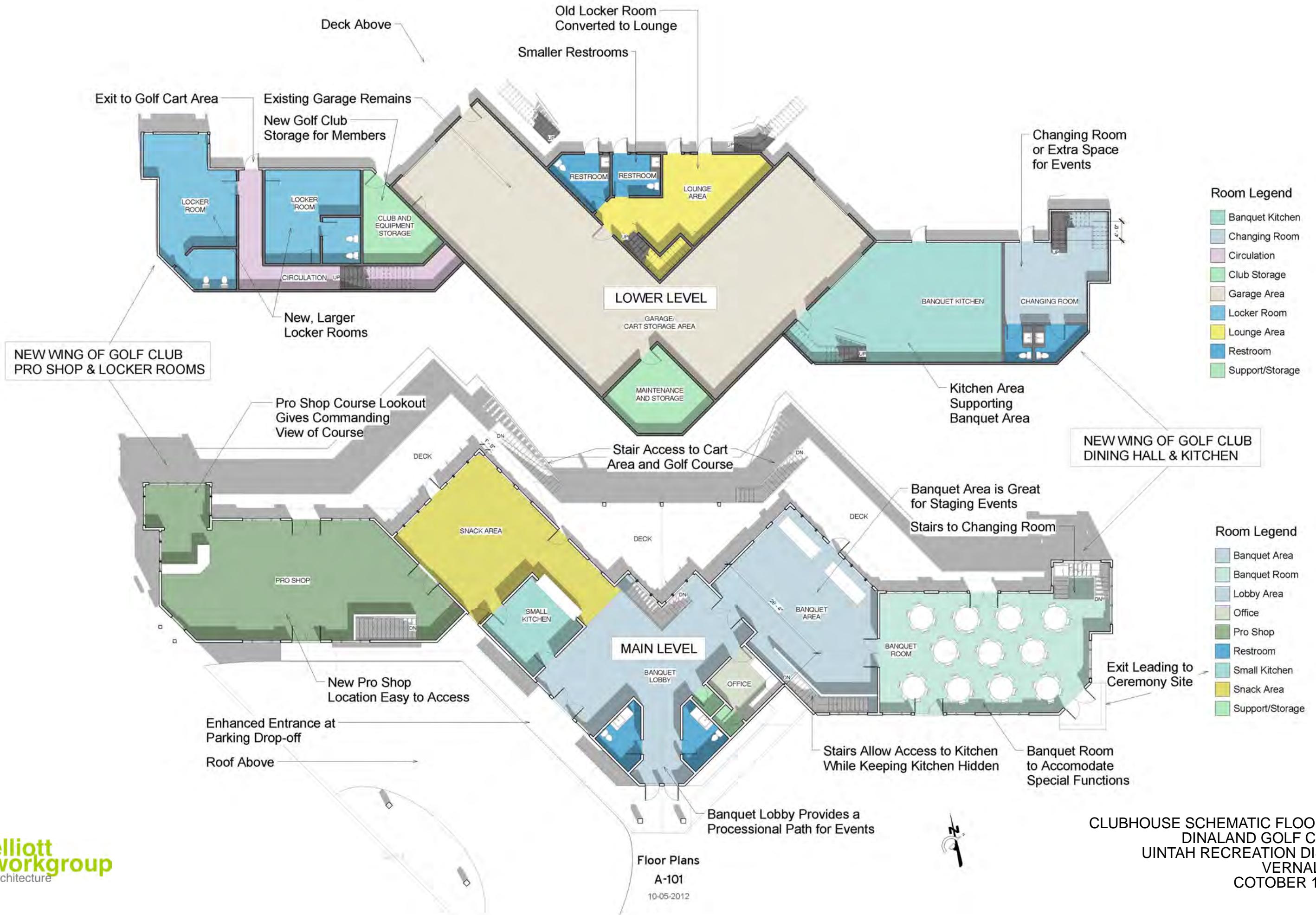


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UINTAH RECREATION DISTRICT  
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## INDEPENDENCE PARK

Independence Park is centrally located in Vernal and does a good job functioning as a neighborhood park. New playground equipment has been installed and there are people enjoying the midday sun. Overall considered an amenity and should be kept up and given attention. The building on premise used to house a swimming pool which has since cease to exist. The building is now a community open house which gives preference to Vernal Middle School across the parking lot. Scheduling is difficult and while it is an important building to keep activities in the basin operating, it needs partner buildings within the district to give capacity to.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Park Urban.  
Location: 100 South 600 West, Vernal  
Size: 2.2 acres  
Expansion: Site is bound by parking and roads on all sides.  
Owner: School District  
Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

This park is dominated by a School District-owned Community Building (previously a swimming pool facility). Outside of the building is a new playground joined by a dated pavilion. Old trees that compliment the park but there is limited room for development on this site.

Indep.

## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendation

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b><u>ADA Recommendations</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and swimming pool. Increase size of walk to swimming pool entrance.</li> <li>Provide (3) accessible parking stalls for park.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The access to the pavilion or playground has not been provided and the pool is no longer an offering to park visitors.</li> <li>Handicapped stalls have been provided but lack proper access to the park facilities.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Park Acreage Recommendations</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No new acreage needed.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No park Acreage has been added or sold.</li> </ul>
<b><u>NRPA Recommendations</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No recommendations</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Survey Recommendations</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add (5) lights along perimeter.</li> <li>Add (1) drinking fountain at pavilion.</li> <li>Add (1) 4-table pavilion.</li> <li>Add (20) trees throughout the park interior.</li> <li>Install (4) benches along the park perimeter.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lights have been installed for the parking lot and provide indirect lighting to park.</li> <li>No drinking fountain installed at pavilion.</li> <li>No new 4-table pavilion.</li> <li>No new trees.</li> <li>No new benches along park perimeter.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Other Recommendations</u></b> <p><u>Site</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Re-pave and re-stripe 45,000 SF parking lot.</li> <li>Add walks.</li> <li>Add (2) picnic tables.</li> <li>Provide (1) water spigot attached to drinking fountain.</li> <li>Add (2) trash receptacles to south side of park.</li> <li>Install (1) grill at new pavilion</li> <li>Add sand volleyball court.</li> <li>Landscape in place of removed swimming pool.</li> </ul> <p><u>Architecture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When Kay Park pool is installed, demolish the building, or find a new function for the building.</li> <li>Update pavilion aesthetics.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <p><u>Site</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parking lot has been repaved and re-striped.</li> <li>Sidewalks have not been installed.</li> <li>Water fountain and spigot have not been installed.</li> <li>No new trash receptacles on south side of park.</li> <li>Sand volleyball court not installed.</li> <li>Pool has been removed but the building still serves as an adjunct facility for the middle school, no new landscaping.</li> </ul> <p><u>Architecture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building has not been demolished but does serve a function in the community as extra room for the neighboring school and for special classes within the community.</li> <li>Pavilion aesthetics have not been improved.</li> </ul>

COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

## 2012 Site Notes

### Bathrooms

- There is a lack of bathrooms on this park site. There are bathrooms in the building adjacent but only available when the building is open for a class or function. The building used to house a pool that no longer exists and access is restricted.
- The school district owns this piece of land and allows the Recreation District to maintain it. Future plans may include increasing access to the building and its facilities or reintroduce the idea of a public pool, preferably outdoors.



### Landscaping

- Trees would be recommended to line the park. The separation between parking and park is not immediately apparent right now and trees would greatly help with this delineation. Trees would also help with shading and overall.
- There are three leaning coniferous trees on the northeast section of the lot which have been considered for removal. It is recommended to keep these trees as long as they pose no hazard. Oddities such as these can serve as an icon or marker for an area and add character to the park.

### Signage

- The signage for this park is appropriate for the character of the park. An additional sign on the other corner of 100 S. would help navigation to this park. A common signage between this and other parks would also be desirable.

## Amenity Inventory

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### Access

#### Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: New.
- Drainage: South.
- Size/#Stalls: 440'x20' just west of block, 8,800 SF, 158 stalls defined.
- ADA Accessibility: Some signs have been provided with no stalls or access defined.
  - (3) stalls have been provided for access to the middle school.
- Lighting: (2) lights in parking lot. (1) light in playground area.
- Landscaping: None.
- Other: Parking is uncomfortably close to the sidewalk and playground.

#### Sidewalks:

- Surface Type: Concrete.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Length/Width: 1,300' length x 4' width.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from facilities.
- ADA Compliance: No connections into play equipment or pavilion.
- Other: West sidewalk is seriously compromised in usefulness by limited width and vehicle overhangs. It only spans a small section of the West border of the park.

#### Signs:

- Park Signage: (1) small sign on the northeast corner.
- Regulatory Signage: None.

## **Utilities**

- Water (Size/Where): None.
- Sewer (Size/Where):
- Storm (Size/Where):
- Electrical (Size/Where): None.
- Gas (Size/Where): None.



## **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: None.
- Spigots: None.
- Fencing: None.
- Benches: None.
- Tables: (4) located within the pavilion.
- Trash receptacles: (8) standard city/county receptacles throughout park.
- Fire Pit: None.
- BBQ: None
- Flagpole: None.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

## **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

### **North Playground**

- Playground Equipment: 7,800 SF of play area. Equipment includes 1 play set.
- Playground Surfacing: Sand.
- Playground age: New.
- ADA: aside from playground transfer station, no means of accessing equipment.
- Other: (1) light within playground. (2) lights in parking lot provide indirect lighting.

## **Landscaping**

### **Landscape:**

- Berms/Landforms: Flat.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: 1,500 SF.
- Lawn: 62,000 SF.
- Trees: (29) shade and ornamental trees throughout park.

### **Irrigation:**

- Source: fed through 2" meter on east side.
- Control System: Located inside building.
- Irrigation Type: Poly pipe.
- Notes: installed in 1973 and needs replacement.



## **Recreation**

- Ball Field: None.
- Soccerfield: None
- Football Field: None.
- Horseshoe Pits: None.
- Basketball: None.
- Volleyball: None.
- ADA: None.

## **Facilities**

### **Pavilion:**

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 570 SF.

- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: None .
- ADA: Not accommodated.
- Notes:

### **Special Use Facilities**

#### Community Use Building:

- Construction Type: Brick and CMU.
- Size: 12,000 SF.
- Condition: Average to Poor.
- Utilities:
  - Water: Culinary.
  - Sewer: Yes.
  - Power: Yes.
- ADA: Curb cut allows access to building from parking lot.

### **Results from 2011 Survey**

Please rate the amenities at the Independence Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
Playground	4.7% (15)	<b>56.6% (181)</b>	38.8% (124)
Maintenance	9.7% (31)	<b>67.9% (216)</b>	22.3% (71)
Green Space	3.4% (11)	<b>56.6% (181)</b>	40.0% (128)
Pavilions	16.4% (52)	<b>61.5% (195)</b>	22.1% (70)
Parking	8.2% (26)	<b>64.2% (204)</b>	27.7% (88)

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### **Recommended Improvements**

#### **ADA Recommendations**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and community building, including curb cuts to allow for ADA access. Provide (3) dedicated accessible parking stalls for park, adding appropriate striping and space requirements for each stall and curb cuts for access to park.

#### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No new acreage needed.

#### **NRPA Recommendations**

- None.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Add (5) lights along perimeter.
- Add (1) drinking fountain at pavilion.
- Add (1) 4-table pavilion.
- Add (20) trees throughout the park interior and (8) Trees around playground.
- Install (4) benches along the park perimeter.
- Install (4) benches along perimeter of playground.

### **Other Recommendations**

#### Site

- Add walks along west border of park and to pavilion and playground.
- Add (2) picnic tables.
- Provide new restroom building or access to restrooms inside of building on site.
- Provide (1) drinking fountain.
- Provide (1) water spigot attached to drinking fountain.
- Add (2) trash receptacles to south side of park.
- Install (1) grill at new pavilion.
- Add (2) horseshoe pits.
- Install (1) grill at old pavilion.
- Landscape in place of removed swimming pool.
- Add sand volleyball court.
- Consider this park as a location for a requested Skate and BMX park on south side of park.

#### Architecture

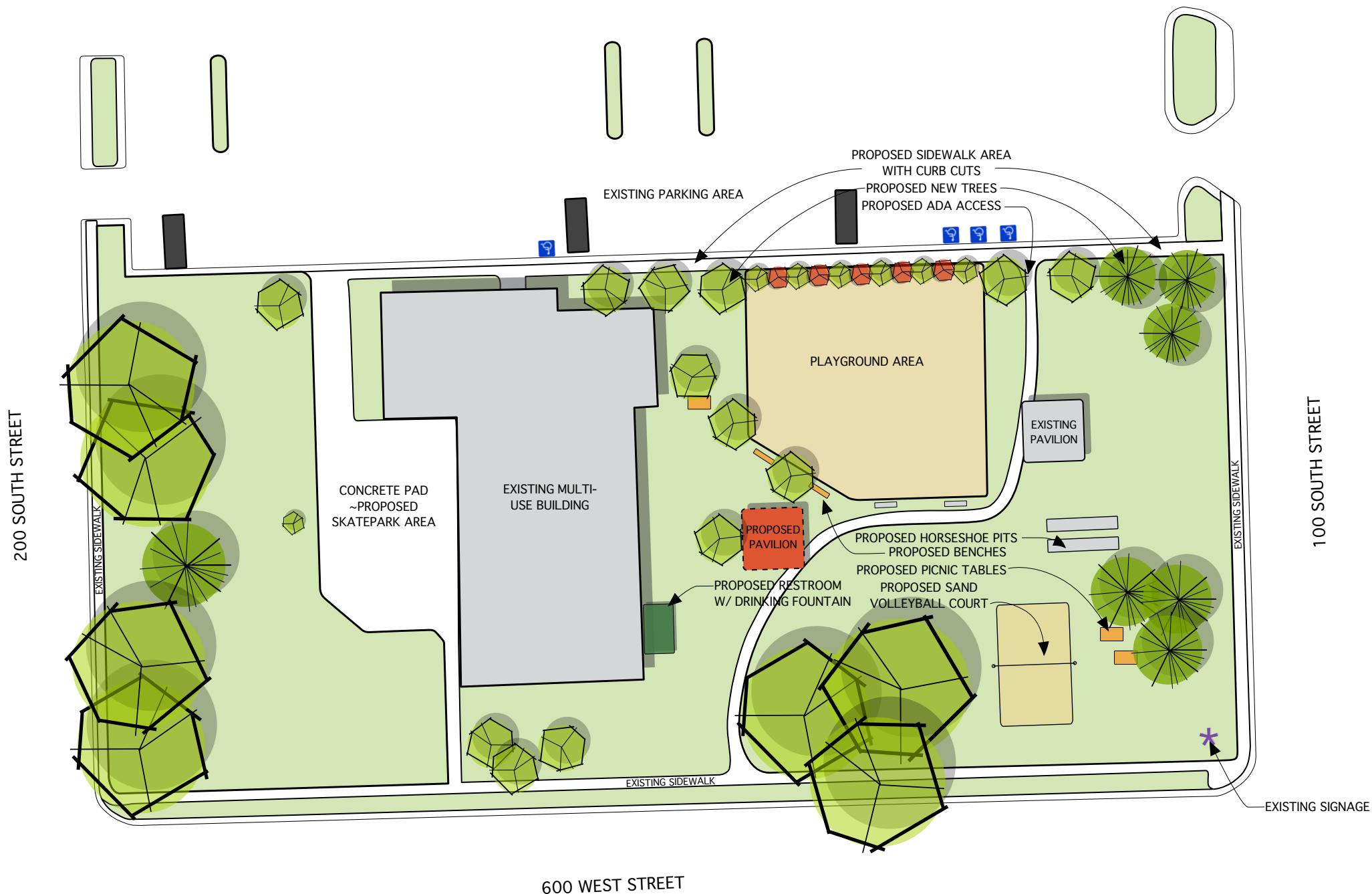
- Update pavilion aesthetics.
- Consider other uses for building on site, including demolition of building and addition of swimming pool.

### **Notes**

- There needs to be a strong paved and or landscaped relationship between street visibility, the parking lot, the playground, and pavilions.

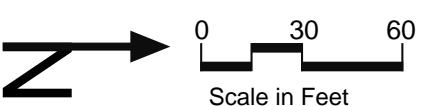
### **Priorities**

1	<p>Provide (1) 4-table pavilion.</p> <p>Provide (1) grille for each pavilion.</p> <p>Provide (2) horseshoe pits.</p> <p>Add sidewalks and curb cuts for ADA accessibility on west side of Parking lot.</p>
2	<p>Provide new bathroom structure or provide immediate access to bathroom in building on site.</p> <p>Add trees to interior of park and several around playground.</p> <p>Add drinking fountain and spigot to park area.</p> <p>Add lights to the park interior.</p> <p>Start discussion on possibility of skate/ BMX park to be located at this park.</p>
3	<p>Demolish or repurpose building on site.</p>



#### DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

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3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demolish or repurpose building on site</li> </ul>



## JENSEN PARK

Jensen Park is the most easterly park in the system. It's positioned close to the Dinosaur National Monument and is a popular stopping point for archeological tourists traveling through. It is also home to an annual Pumpkin Festival that brings much of the community to it's grounds. The church next door also adds to the loads of the park.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Park Rural

Location: 8775 East 6000 South, Jensen

Size: 6.2 acres

Expansion: Farm fields exist to the north of the park, church property to the east, highway to the south, and commercial/ farm property to the west.

Owner: Uintah County

Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

Jensen Park is well maintained on a grounds basis. The pavilion, center paved section, basketball court and much of the surrounding infrastructure are in disrepair. Simple improvements could up the stature of this park quickly.

Jensen

## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

<b><u>ADA Recommendations</u></b>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No signs have been provided.</li> <li>• No ADA access to playground equipment provided.</li> <li>• ADA Bars have been installed on walls, other ADA elements still need attention.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Park Acreage Recommendations</u></b>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No park Acreage has been added or sold.</li> </ul>
<b><u>NRPA Recommendations</u></b>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (1) Full size basketball court has been provided but is in disrepair.</li> <li>• No ball field. The ball field has been replaced with a grassy field that could serve many functions.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Survey Recommendations</u></b>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undetermined light improvements, though the lighting is still lacking. There are lights in the parking lot but not enough. The pathway has not been lit.</li> <li>• No drinking fountain installed at restroom.</li> <li>• No benches installed at north playground.</li> <li>• There are many picnic tables scattered along path but no permanent benches.</li> </ul>

<b>Other Recommendations</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outside of parking lot and within the park remove 22,000 sf of existing paving and re-pave 12,000 sf for gathering space accommodating pumpkin festival. Relate to the pavilion for aesthetics.</li> <li>• Add concrete mowstrip around (10) electrical hookups.</li> <li>• Create one new playground by pavilion. Remove old equipment.</li> <li>• Highlight and cleanup pumpkin patch.</li> <li>• Relocate monuments to more prevalent location and provide new bases.</li> <li>• Provide new drop-off for parking lot.</li> <li>• Finish landscape along east edge.</li> <li>• Finish landscape in northwest corner in and by ball field.</li> <li>• Finish and enhance landscape at road.</li> <li>• Install 800 lf of fencing along north and east property lines.</li> <li>• Install 500 lf of decorative fencing along road.</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paint update existing restrooms.</li> <li>• Paint upgrade pavilion.</li> <li>• Install new metal covering on pump building.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interior pavement has not been removed.</li> <li>• No Mowstrips have been added around electrical hookups.</li> <li>• New playground equipment has been installed.</li> <li>• No pumpkin patch.</li> <li>• Monuments don't appear to have been moved</li> <li>• No New drop-off in parking lot.</li> <li>• Landscape on east edge does not appear to have been finished.</li> <li>• Landscape on northwest corner does not appear to have been finished. There is no ball field.</li> <li>• Landscape at road does not appear to have been improved.</li> <li>• Fencing along north and east property lines exist but look to be more of the farmer's fence than the Recreation District's.</li> <li>• Fence along road is not 'decorative.'</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restrooms do not appear to have been painted but roof and trim are in good shape.</li> <li>• 4 of the 8 support posts on the pavilions have been painted.</li> <li>• Not verified.</li> </ul>
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COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

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## 2012 Site Notes

### Equipment

- The picnic benches in the pavilion and scattered around the park are getting near the end of their lifespan.

### Landscaping

- There are a few trees on the North side of the parking lot that will, in time, provide shade and buffer for the park. There are no trees on the East side of the parking lot. Old growth trees on the park property show the importance of planting and planning for the future. They are a huge asset to the park.
- The asphalt area in the interior of the park is strange to visit. It feels like a remnant from the past that was never taken care of. A fire pit has been dug in the middle of this asphalt area and appears to serve its purpose well. If it is to serve as an accessible area for



automobiles, it should be more delineated and cleaned up so that it makes sense.

- Sidewalks and pathways around the park are starting to crack and let vegetation grow.

### **Signage**

- The signage for this park is consistent with the rest of the district with it's disparate nature. It looks as though it has been around for some time and may be retained for it's nostalgic value although adding elements to tie it in with the rest of the district would add to the coherence of the Ashley Valley and surrounding areas.

### **Restrooms**

- The bathrooms on this site are outdated and lacking of ADA access. The interior is clean though. It functions as a restroom but could use upgrades.

## **Amenity Inventory**

### **Access**

#### **Parking**

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to southeast.
- Size/#Stalls: 220'x195', 39,000 SF, (91) stalls.
- ADA Accessibility: 5 stalls, no vertical signs.
- Lighting: (3) parking lights.
- Landscaping: 2600 SF within and adjacent to parking. Need some pruning, mulching and general maintenance.
- Other: Simple painted metal rail barriers separate parking from park areas. Paved spots are provided seemingly for camping. A large, heavily degraded, paved area exists in the center of the park, which seems a little useless outside of carnivals or other gatherings.



#### **Sidewalks:**

- Surface Type: Concrete and asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Decent but starting to heave and crack.
- Length/Width: 2,800' length x 8' width.
- Lighting: None.
- ADA Compliance: No connections into play equipment.

#### **Signs:**

- Park Signage: (1) sign on the south side of the site.
- Regulatory Signage: Various signs throughout the site.

### **Utilities**

- Water: 2" culinary to restrooms.
- Sewer: 4" to septic system.
- Storm: None.
- Electrical: Lighting is provided at (5) locations within the park. Electrical hookups are provided throughout the park and appear constructed in an RV presentation manner. They are used for the Pumpkin Festival and for Christmas lights.
- Gas: None.

## **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: None.
- Spigots: (1) by pavilion, (1) by basketball court.
- Fencing: 2,100 LF of fencing.
- Benches: (3) throughout site in fair condition.
- Tables: (16) located within the pavilion and (10) scattered in park.
- Trash receptacles: (9) standard city/county receptacles throughout park.
- Fire Pit: (1) pit by pavilion. A large hole within the gathering asphalt exists which may be used for bonfires. Unmarked however this is a dangerous obstacle.
- BBQ: (1) grill by pavilion.
- Flagpole: (1) at parking lot entry.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

## **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

### North Playground

- Playground Equipment: 6300 SF of play area. Equipment includes (1) large play set, (1) small rock structure/ climbing equipment, (1) large swing set,
- Playground Surfacing: Sand.
- Playground age: New Equipment.
- ADA: No means of accessing equipment nor is enough of the equipment ADA accessible.



### South Playground

- Playground Equipment: 5200 SF of play area. Looks as if this used to be a playground but is now used as a volleyball court or sand box.
- Playground Surfacing: Sand.
- Playground age: N/a.
- ADA: Not accommodated.
- Notes: Perimeter concrete is heaving and cracking.

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## **Landscaping**

### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: Flat.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: 400+ SF adjacent to pavilion (See parking above).
- Lawn: 71,500 SF with bare spots in transition zones.
- Trees: (23) elms, flowering plums, flowering pears, oaks, spruces and ash trees along with a long row of elms on the north side of the site.
- Notes:

### Irrigation:

- Source: 4" line pumped to park using 3" line.
- Control System: Within restroom utility room.
- Irrigation Type: Rotor heads.
- Notes:

## **Recreation**

- Ball Field: (1) Backstop has been removed and no field is delineated.
- Soccerfield: None but field could be used as one.
- Football Field: None but field could be used as one.
- Horseshoe Pits: (2) in fairly poor condition. Weedy and un-level.
- Basketball: (1) cracking asphalt, posts and backboards are sturdy, rims are fine, nets are tattered.

- Volleyball: (1) court shared with basketball court.  
Current posts are concrete in tire posts.
- ADA: none defined.

## Facilities

### Restrooms:

- Construction Type: Masonry.
- Size: 175 SF.
- Mens: (1) stall, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (1) stall, (1) sink.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated panels, paint.
- Storage/Utility Room: small between toilets, access door on west wall.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 2".
  - Sewer: 4" to septic system.
  - Power: 110 Volt.
- ADA:
- Notes: Stalls are inadequate at times.



### Pavilion:

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 1,800 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: none.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Lighting within pavilion, electrical hookups around base.
- ADA: Not accommodated.



### Utility Building 1: Pump House.

- Construction Type: Corrugated metal on wood frame.
- Size: 100 SF.
- Condition: Sound but old materials.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Available for lighting and pump.
- ADA: None.
- Notes:

### Utility Building 2: Maintenance storage.

- Construction Type: Metal on wood frame.
- Size: 400SF
- Condition: Sound.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None
  - Sewer: None
  - Power: Available for lighting and pump.
- ADA: None
- Notes:



## Special Use Facilities

Monuments: (2) unique monuments of an old school bell and the Escalante Expedition are tucked away in the south side of the park.

## Results from 2011 Survey

Please rate the amenities at the Jensen Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
Playground	1.7% (4)	<b>51.5% (118)</b>	46.7% (107)
Restrooms	24.8% (54)	<b>65.6% (143)</b>	9.6% (21)
Lighting	22.2% (48)	<b>64.4% (139)</b>	13.4% (29)
Green Space	5.9% (13)	45.9% (102)	<b>48.2% (107)</b>
Pavilions	5.9% (13)	<b>64.4% (141)</b>	29.7% (65)
Parking	12.3% (27)	<b>58.2% (128)</b>	29.5% (65)
Maintenance	6.9% (15)	<b>58.3% (126)</b>	34.7% (75)

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## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Add (5) vertical accessible parking signs within parking lot.
- Provide ADA access into playground equipment.
- Upgrade ADA access into restrooms.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No new acreage needed.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Resurface (1) basketball court and upgrade equipment.
- Create ball field with 200'-0" If of 20' tall fence in softball right field. Add new backstop and additional field fencing. Add (2) dugouts. Finish landscaping.
- Install exercise equipment along pathway to encourage physical fitness.
- Remove south playground and shift basketball court to playground's location.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Add (2) lights within parking lot. Add (20) lights along paths.
- Add (1) drinking fountain at pavilion.
- Install (2) benches at north playground. Add (8) additional benches along path.

### **Other Recommendations**

#### Site

- Outside of parking lot and within the park remove 22,000 sf existing paving and re-pave 12,000 sf for gathering space accommodating pumpkin festival. Relate to the pavilion for aesthetics.
- Add concrete mowstrip around (10) electrical hookups.
- Add trees to interior of park.
- Add pumpkin patch or planted area.
- Relocate monuments to more prevalent location and provide new bases.
- Provide new drop-off for parking lot.
- Finish landscape along east edge.
- Finish landscape in northwest corner.
- Finish and enhance landscape at road.
- Install 800 lf of fencing along north and east property lines.
- Install 500 lf of decorative fencing along road.
- Add (2) grilles to pavilion area.
- Add (2) small pavilions where concrete pads are in park.
- Bury overhead electrical lines.

#### Architecture

- Paint, update existing restrooms.
- Paint, upgrade pavilion.
- Update pavilion aesthetics

#### Notes

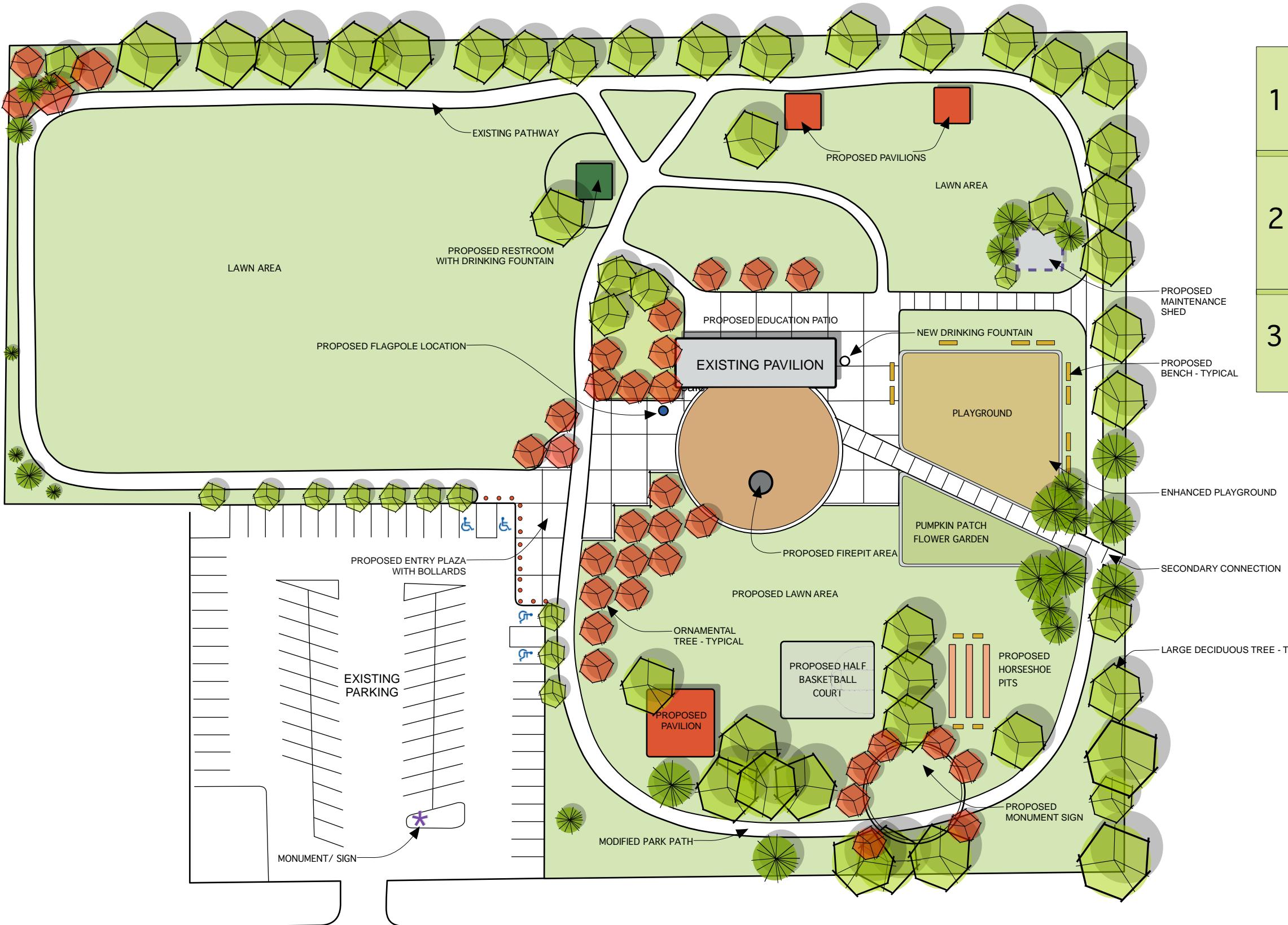
- There needs to be a strong paved and or landscaped relationship between the parking lot, playground, pavilion and other site elements. This can be accomplished with the redesign of the central gathering area in the park. (See site plan)
- Recommendations are being made on an as-is basis. If total park overhaul is to take place then a more methodical and comprehensive approach by parks professional is recommended.

## Priorities

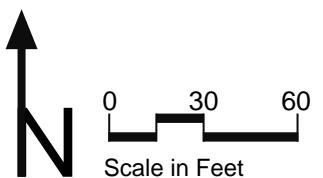
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2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgrade plaza area and relocate firepit.</li> <li>Add pavilions to existing picnic table pads along path.</li> <li>Bury electrical lines.</li> <li>Add 20 lights along paths.</li> <li>Outside of parking lot and within the park remove 22,000 sf existing paving and re-pave 12,000 sf for gathering space.</li> <li>Install exercise equipment along pathway to encourage physical fitness.</li> </ul>
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JENSEN PARK  
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## **KAY MEMORIAL PARK**

Kay Memorial Park has set it's anchor but is yet to expand into it's environment. The new Community Center provides a much needed and anticipated community asset. It is well used and sets the stage for the development of the rest of the park. Recently purchased open agricultural land located close to the center of Vernal and offering beautiful distant scenery. The available acreage of this park make possible a recreational hub within the region, allowing people who have multiple interests to convene and create a busy and well used park.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Regional Park

Location: 500 South Vernal Avenue, Vernal

Size: 79 acres

Expansion: Opportunities west and southwest to agricultural land. There are some limitations concerning the nearby FAA airport regulations. Also, an existing group of residences sneaks their way into the North portion of the property.

Owner: Uintah Recreation District.

Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

Currently it is open space and farming area with the Community Center at the North end of the parcel. Apart from the area surrounding the center, it is open and awaiting development.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Meet all ADA requirements in new construction.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>New Community Center has been added and is up to date with ADA requirements.</li></ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No new acreage needed.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No park Acreage has been added or sold.</li></ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provide (4) tennis courts.</li><li>Provide (1) full size basketball court.</li><li>Provide (1) volleyball court.</li><li>Provide a trail system allowing for walking, jogging and biking.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No tennis infrastructure has been added.</li><li>Volleyball and Basketball have been added inside the Community Center.</li><li>A small trail system has been added with plans for a larger future path system.</li></ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provide restrooms.</li><li>Provide lights.</li><li>Provide drinking fountains.</li><li>Provide support facilities.</li><li>Provide trees and benches.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Restrooms are located in Community Center and serve amenities that are provided currently.</li><li>Lights are around parking area but are needed on path.</li><li>Drinking fountains are provided inside of Community Center.</li><li>Support facilities have been provided in the form of a Community Center.</li><li>Trees and benches are sparse currently.</li></ul>
<b>Other Recommendations</b> Site <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provide adequate parking.</li><li>Provide playgrounds.</li><li>Completely landscape parks.</li><li>Provide a pond.</li><li>Provide fencing along west and south property lines.</li><li>Provide a softball complex for tournaments.</li><li>Provide a multi-purpose hill.</li></ul> Architecture <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provide a recreation center.</li><li>Provide pavilions.</li><li>Provide utility storage.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> Site <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Parking has been provided.</li><li>No playgrounds have been provided.</li><li>Parks have not been adequately constructed to provide landscaping for parks.</li><li>No pond provided.</li><li>Not verified.</li><li>No softball complex built.</li><li>Multi-purpose hill is currently in the form of a mound of unimproved dirt.</li></ul> Architecture <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Recreation Center has been provided.</li><li>No pavilions have been provided.</li><li>Utility storage is provided in the Recreation (Community) Center.</li></ul>

COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

## 2012 Site Plan Notes

### **Community Center**

- The Community Center is the centerpiece of the recreation district and it's future plans. It seems to be a success with much public input pointing to overcrowding of facilities.

### **Landscaping**

- The grass surrounding the Community Center will look nice in the summer when fully greened. Trees are noticeably absent. Shade in general is lacking. This should be addressed and fully included as the planning and development of this area continue.
- The larger part of the park is yet to be developed and has no landscaping to address.

### **Signage**

- Signage for the current level of amenities is adequate.

### **Recreation**

- Walking paths around the Community Center.

## Amenity Inventory

### **Access**

#### **Parking**

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Excellent.
- Drainage: Site is essentially flat.
- Size/#Stalls: 195 stalls defined
- ADA Accessibility: 7 stalls.
- Lighting: 17 lights.
- Landscaping: Grass and bermed medians.

**Sidewalks:** Walks border outside of parking area.

**Signs:** Large sign on corner of Vernal Avenue and 500 South for Community Center.

### **Utilities**

- Water: No culinary created. Ashton Gulch runs through the property. During summer it is fed with extra water for irrigation purposes. The property has rights to 9.4% of the flow. In other words at a flow of 5 cfs, the property would have a right to .47 cfs. Typically the low flow is 2 cfs and so you could rely on .19 cfs. Additionally an irrigation canal is found at the North side of the park from which water rights could be transferred for this park.
- Sewer: None.
- Storm: None.
- Electrical: None.
- Gas: None.

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### **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: None.
- Spigots: None.
- Fencing: Wire fencing along west and southwest edge of property. Some chain link at south residence.
- Benches: (3) at Community Center.
- Tables: None.
- Trash receptacles: (x) at Community Center.
- Fire Pit: None.
- BBQ: None.

- Flagpole: (1) at Community Center.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

### **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

#### **Playground**

- Playground Equipment: None.
- Playground Surfacing: None.
- Playground age: None.
- ADA: n/a.

#### **Landscaping**

##### **Landscape:**

- Berms/Landforms: None.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: None.
- Lawn: Small amount adjoining property for Community Center.
- Trees: (58) deciduous trees on the Community Center campus and a few deciduous trees lining the creek.

##### **Irrigation:**

- Source: Ashley Creek and north Ashley Water Users canal.
- Control System: None.
- Irrigation Type: Agricultural.
- Notes: None.

#### **Recreation**

- Ball Field: None.
- Soccerfield: None.
- Football Field: None.
- Horseshoe Pits: None.
- Basketball: None.
- Volleyball: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

#### **Facilities**

Restrooms: None.

Pavilions: None.

#### **Special Use Facilities**

##### **Community Center**

- Pools ~ A lap/competitive pool and a leisure pool with two slides and play features.
- Two full-sized gymnasiums.
- Indoor track.
- 36-foot tall climbing wall.
- Aerobics/dance studio.
- Strength room.
- Cardio equipment balcony.
- Locker rooms.
- On-site child care.
- Three party rooms.

## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Meet all ADA requirements in new construction.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No new acreage needed.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Provide (4) multi-use ballfields arranged in a complex.
- Provide (1) outdoor pool or other outdoor water amenity.
- Provide (4) tennis courts.
- Provide (2) full size basketball courts.
- Provide (2) volleyball courts.
- Provide (2) playgrounds.
- Provide a trail system allowing for walking, jogging and biking.
  - Provide connections to regional system and neighborhoods through trails in park.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Provide restrooms (on the balance of the future park)
- Provide lights.
- Provide drinking fountains.
- Provide support facilities and infrastructure.
- Provide trees and benches.

### **Other Recommendations**

#### Site

- Provide adequate parking.
- Provide playgrounds.
- Completely landscape parks.
- Provide a pond.
- Provide (1) permanent concrete bowl type skate park.
- Provide space for a dog park.
- Provide BMX park.
- Provide space for community garden.
- Provide fencing along west and south property lines.
- Provide a multi-purpose hill.

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#### Architecture

- Provide an indoor court facility.
- Provide pavilions.
- Provide utility storage.

### **Notes**

- Kay Memorial park as the potential to be the hub of the park system. The above suggestions are parts of a whole but need to be orchestrated well by a design professional.

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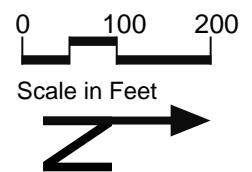
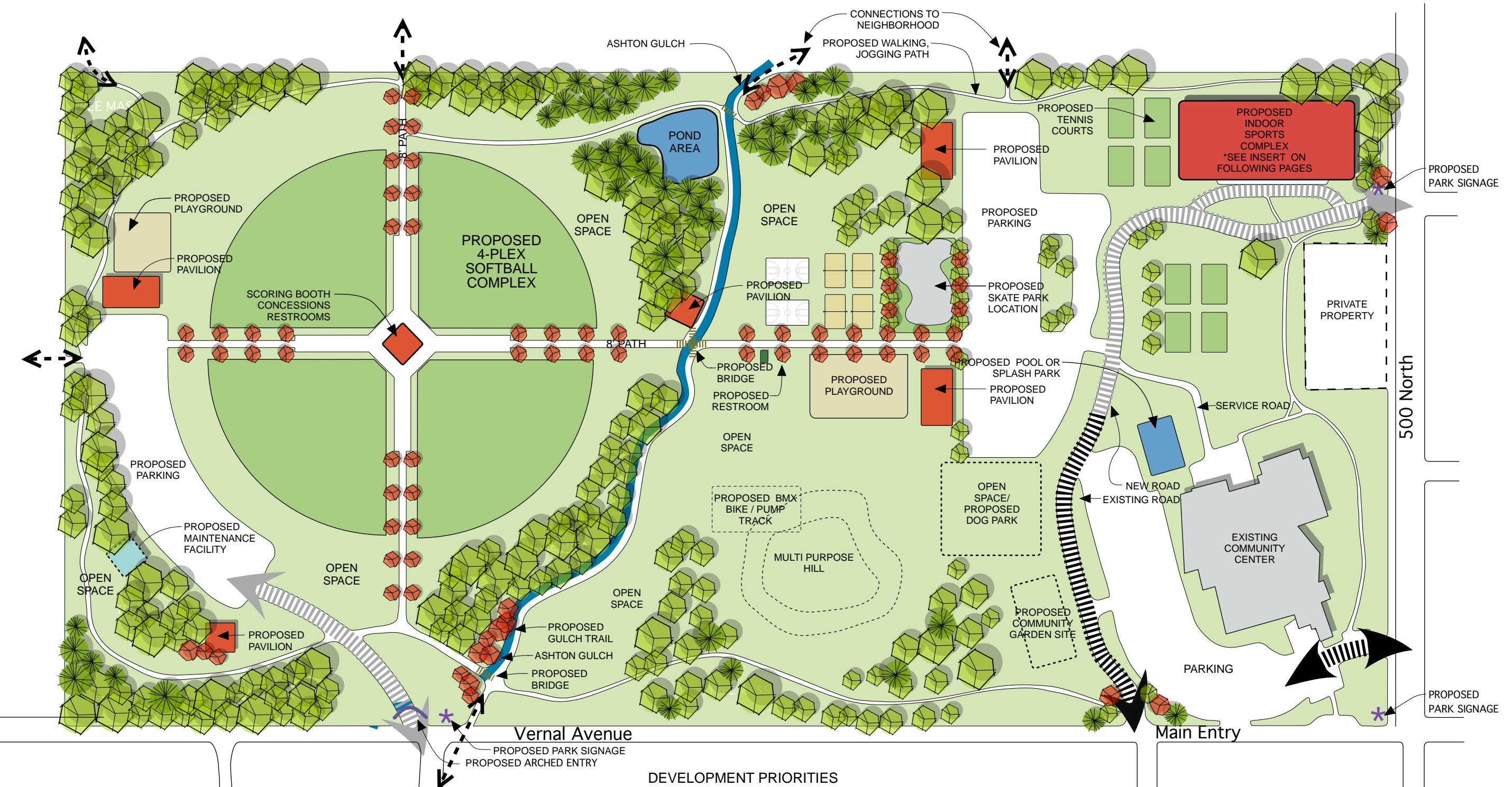
- Investigate pool or splash park amenity.
- Investigate indoor court facility to accommodate need in district.
- Construct 4-plex of multi-use ballfields.
- Construct multiple pavilions in new park space.
- Construct playgrounds.
- Construct nature trail next to Ashton Gulch.

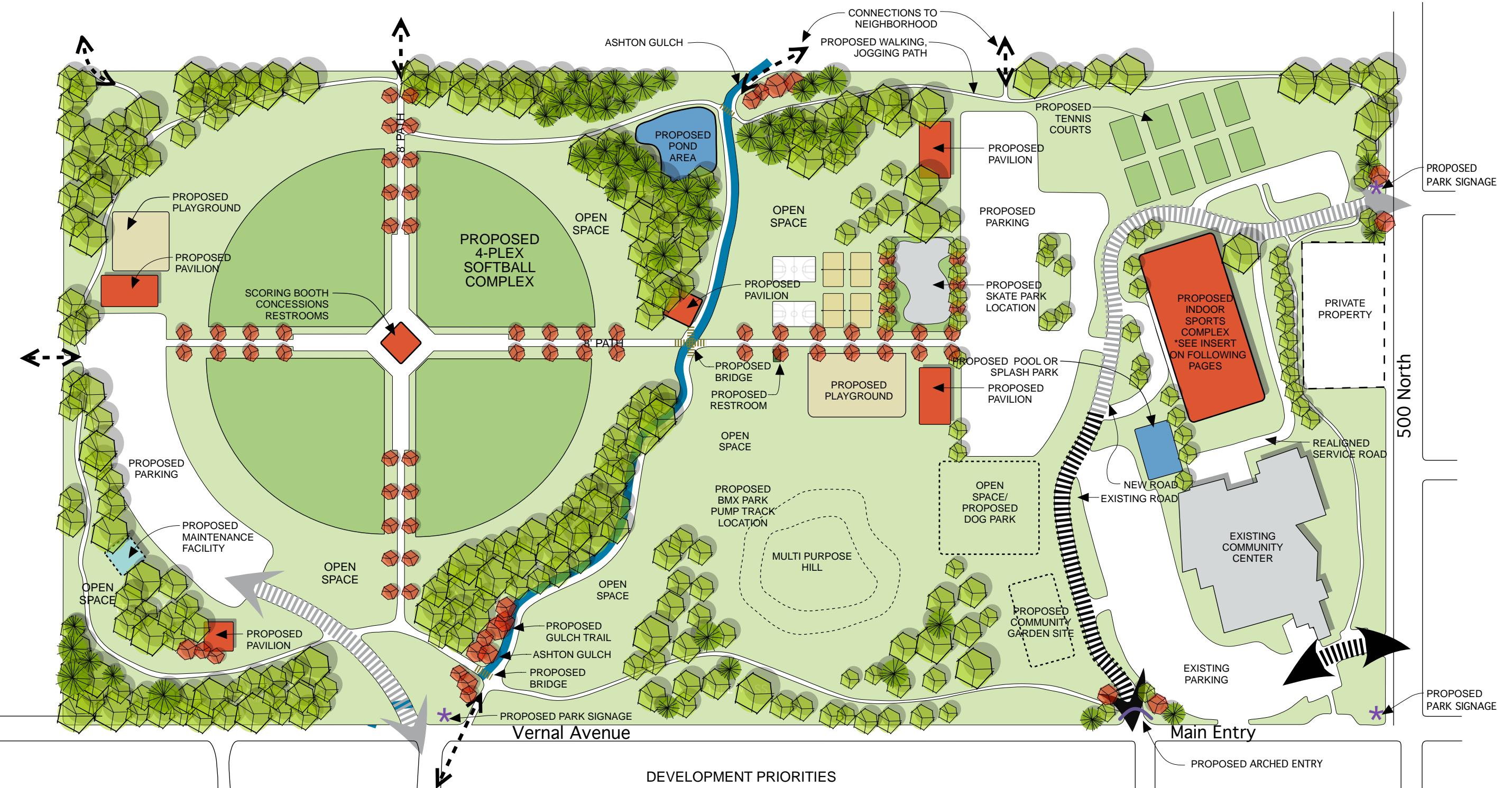
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- Incorporate trail connections to outside trail networks and neighborhoods when constructing trails within park.
- Consider dog park within park borders.
- Consider community garden within park borders.
- Consider bmx park/ pump track on multi-purpose hill.
- Build skate park.

**3**

- Construct small pond if gulch supports it.





- ▶ Investigate pool or splash park amenity
- ▶ Investigate indoor court facility to accommodate needs in district
- ▶ Construct 4-plex of multi-use ballfields
- ▶ Construct multiple pavilions in new park space
- ▶ Construct playgrounds
- ▶ Construct nature trail next to Ashton Gulch
- ▶ Construct (4) volleyball courts and (2) basketball courts

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- ▶ Consider dog park within park borders
- ▶ Consider community garden within park borders
- ▶ Construct more walks between elements within the park
- ▶ Consider bmx park/ pump track on multi-purpose hill
- ▶ Build skate park
- ▶ Tie into future mass transit opportunities

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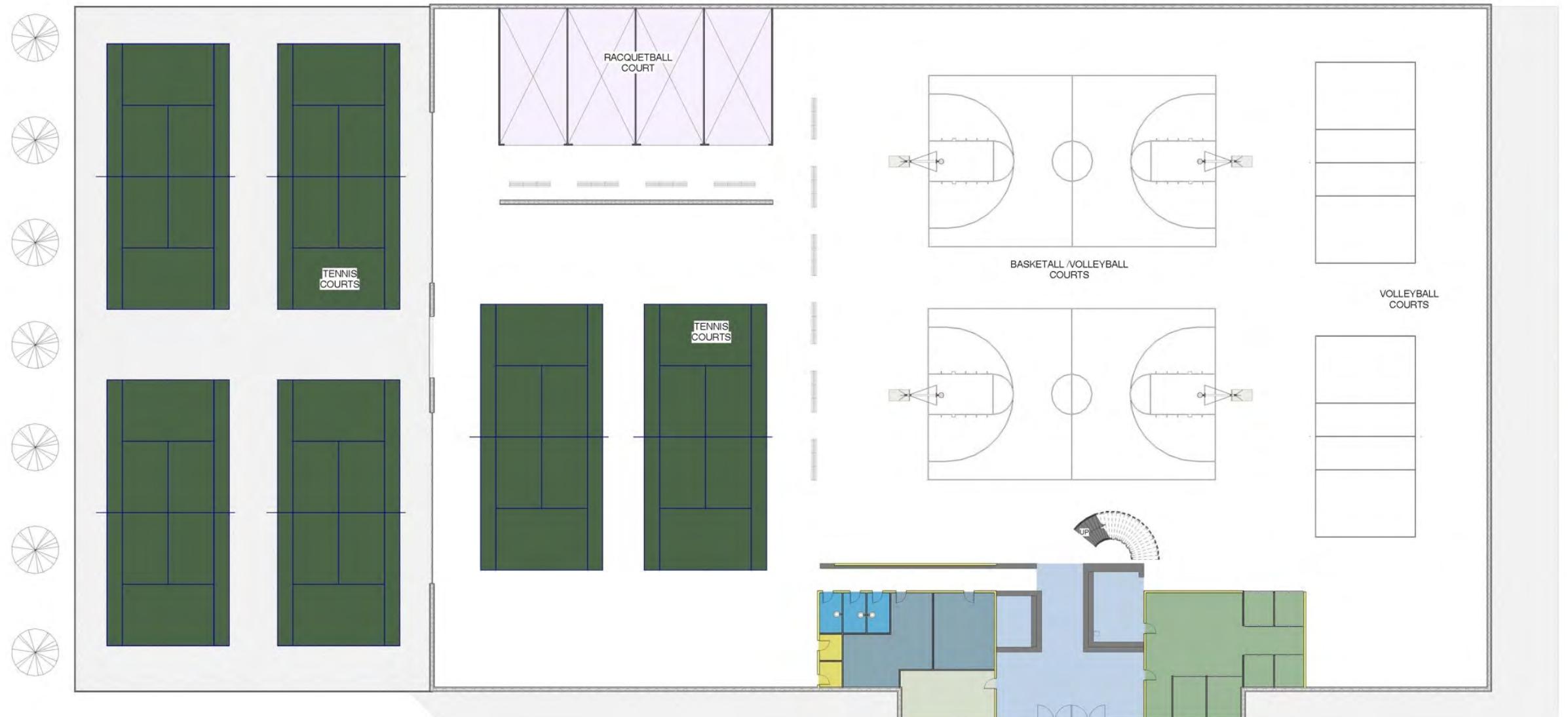
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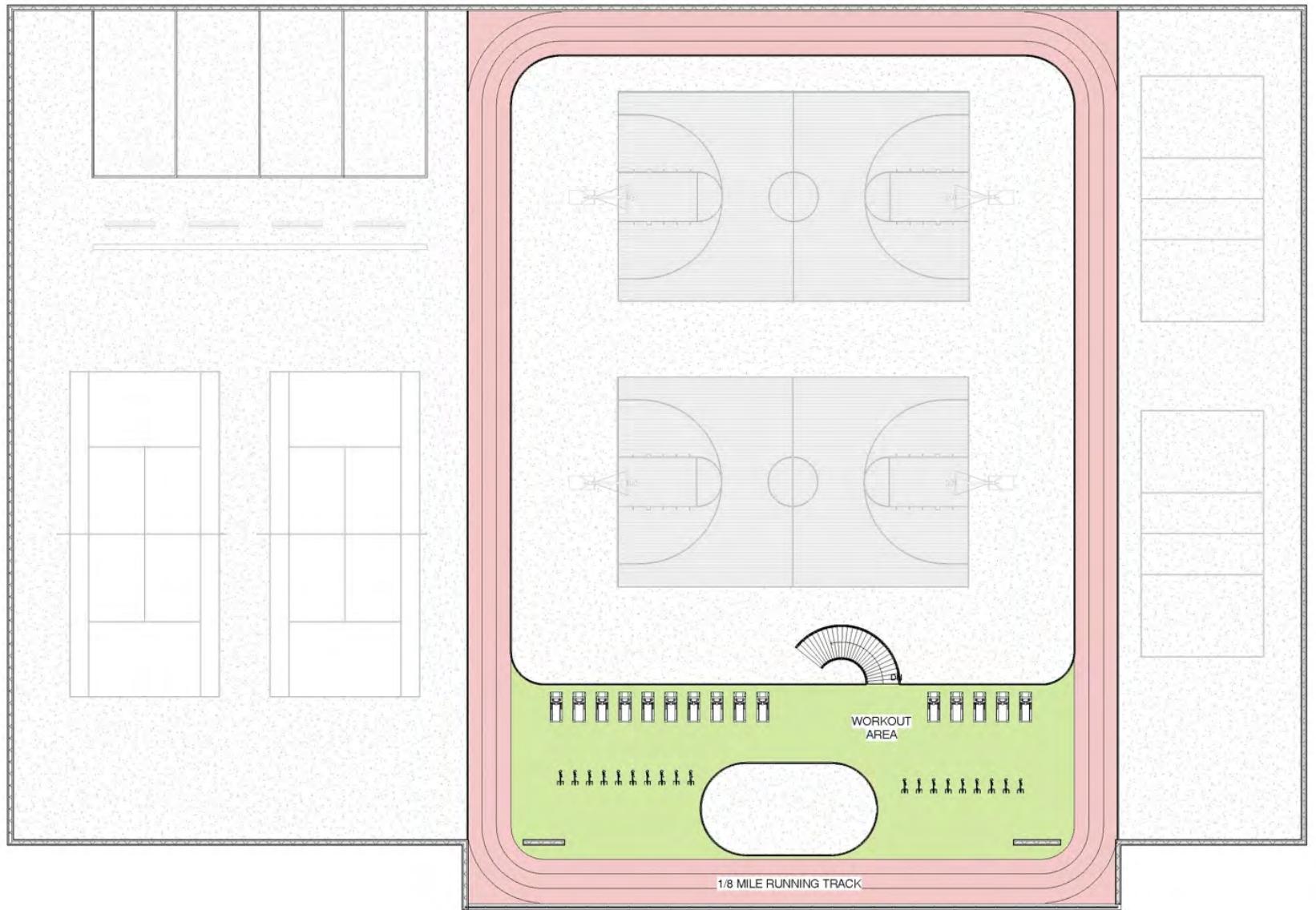


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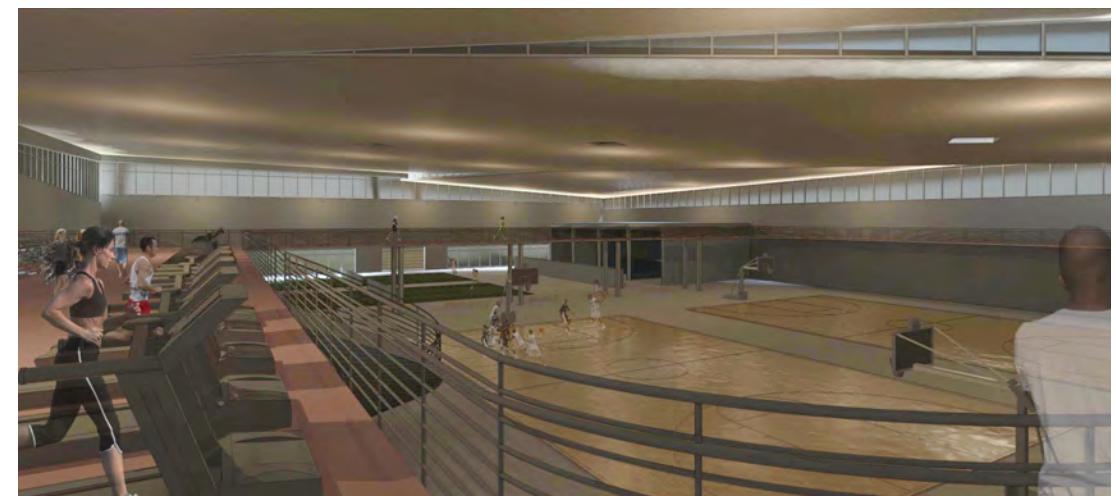
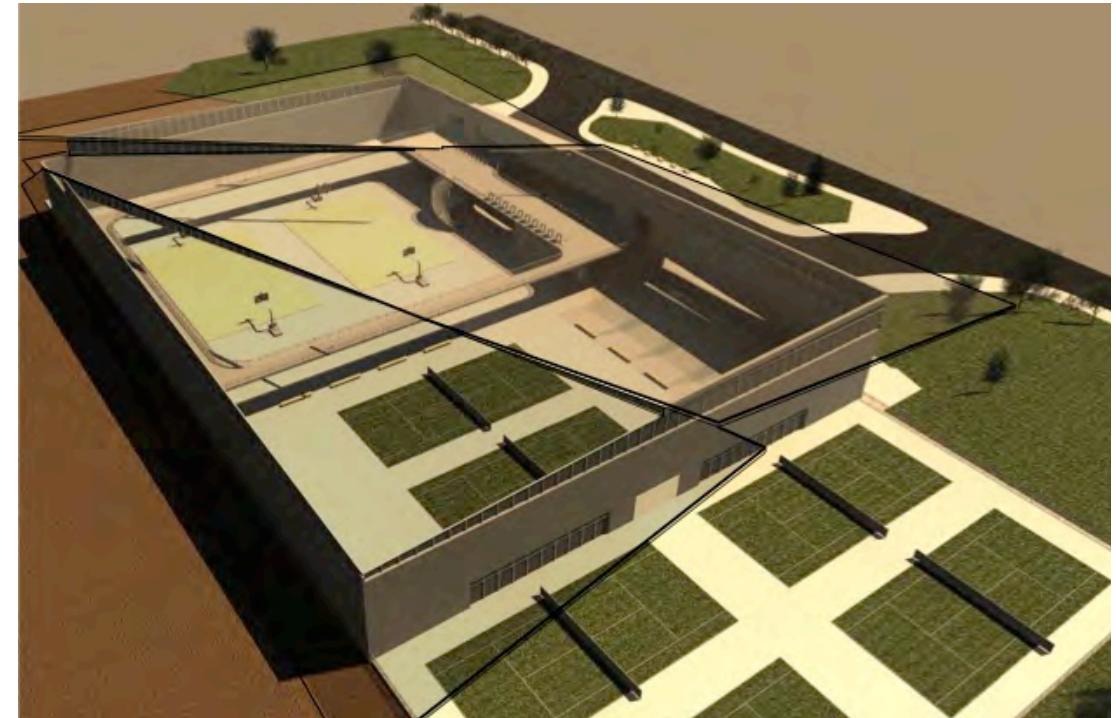
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## LAPOINT PARK

Lapoint Park Phase I was recently completed. Phases II & III are slated to be completed end of summer 2012. It has addressed the many needs from the previous master plan. This park shines as an example of a park being built from scratch and the possibilities that it holds. Parts of this park can be transplanted to other parks to bolster the entire park system.

Many of the future considerations for this park will not be brought into light until completion of phases II & III. Further analysis should be taken by the Recreation District then. Chances are most major issues will have been dealt with and that this park, built from the ground up will function very well.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Rural Park  
Location: Lapoint, Utah.  
Size: 3.5 acres (expansion underway)  
Expansion: No further expansion is necessary  
Owner: Uintah County  
Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

This park has recently completed Phase I of III and is greatly expanded and improved from it's former self.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When new location is found add ADA compliance to all site development.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New site is mostly ADA compliant, access to playground still lacking.</li> </ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This site is small and landlocked. To service the geographical need, this park should be expanded to a Neighborhood Rural Park classification with 5 to 10 acres of land. This land should be found close by.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The new park envelopes approximately 13 acres and has been completely upgraded. The new park is very close by, being less than 2 blocks away.</li> </ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide (1) full size basketball court.</li> <li>Provide (1) baseball/softball field with backstop and defined in-field.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Full size basketball court has been provided.</li> <li>Baseball/softball field is planned for in Phases II &amp; III this summer.</li> </ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add (1) male and female restroom building. Provide storage for on-site services.</li> <li>Add (2) parking lot lights.</li> <li>Add (1) drinking fountain.</li> <li>Relocate 2100 SF pavilion and picnic tables to new location.</li> <li>Add trees throughout the park.</li> <li>Install (2) benches by basketball and (2) benches by baseball/softball field.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restrooms are have been provided.</li> <li>Lights are around parking area.</li> <li>Drinking fountain has been provided.</li> <li>2 new pavilions have been added with (12) new picnic tables.</li> <li>Trees have been added but the lawn area is still void of trees and should be addressed.</li> <li>(2) Benches have been added next to the basketball court. No ball fields have been added yet.</li> </ul>
<b>Other Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide 14 stall parking lot, with room for more parking up to 50 cars.</li> <li>Install walks surrounding park and connecting to site elements.</li> <li>Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.</li> <li>Provide (1) water spigot attached to drinking fountain.</li> <li>Install (1) grill at new pavilion</li> <li>Provide lawn space for soccer/football.</li> <li>Provide (1) ADA accessible playground.</li> <li>Install landscaping throughout park.</li> <li>Add (2) horseshoe pits.</li> <li>Add (1) volleyball court.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Large parking lot with - (71) stalls - (5) ADA Stalls.</li> <li>Walks are plentiful and connect all elements of park as completed in Phase I.</li> <li>At least (12) picnic tables have been added to the stock of tables.</li> <li>(1) Water fountain and spigot has been installed in center of park.</li> <li>(4) Grilles have been installed.</li> <li>New playground is not ADA accessible.</li> <li>(2) Horseshoe pits have been added.</li> <li>(0) Volleyball courts have been added.</li> </ul>

COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

## 2012 Site Notes

LaPoint Park is the latest park to be completely upgraded. Phase 1 is complete and the new pavilions and playground equipment greet you as you park. The fence line near the highway does a good job of defining the edge of the park and creates an attractive barrier that provides safety for wandering kids.

### **Grounds**

- The propensity of sidewalks is a bit much. Future upgrades might consider using less concrete and more green space.
- A buffer other than wood chip between the parking lot and park should be considered. The wood chip is generally used as an accent to landscaping and not a durable traffic platform. When parking the car, the natural inclination is to step across the area in front of the car, thus walking over and disturbing the decorative bark.



### **Landscaping**

- This park could use more trees.
- The corner areas of the park by the fence don't seem to be useable space. Consideration of a lower maintenance surface on the corner areas could help to simplify maintenance while reducing costs slightly.

### **Pavilions**

- The pavilions are new and function as they should. They are metal frame as with most pavilion structures in the District.
- There could be more bbq stations added.

### **Recreation**

- The basketball court is more than adequate for this park.
- Horseshoe pits are on the side of the basketball court and functions well.

## Amenity Inventory

### **Access**

#### Parking:

- Surface Type: Ashpalt.
- Surface Condition: Excellent.
- Drainage: Drainage towards southeast.
- Size/#Stalls: 230'x100,' (71) stalls are striped.
- ADA accessibility: (5) stalls are striped.
- Lighting: (2) overhead lights.
- Landscaping: Wood chip surrounding parking area bordering parking lot. Trees have also been placed here but are small and less than effective at shading currently. Vegetation on South border of parking lot next to church property. Extensive lawn space has been added to the property.
- Other:

Sidewalks: Provided for ADA parking spots.

Signs: None.

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### **Utilities**

- Water (Size/Where):
- Sewer: 4" from restrooms.

- Storm (Size/Where):
- Electrical: 110 Volt power within pavilion.
- Gas (Size/Where): None.

### **Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: (2) -(1) next to playground and (1) in the center of the park.
- Spigots: (1) in drinking fountain setup.
- Fencing: Decorative fencing.
- Benches: (2) benches on east side of basketball court (2) benches on either side of playground.
- Tables: (24) located within the pavilions.
- Trash receptacles: (6) standard city/county receptacles.
- Fire Pit: None.
- BBQ: (4).
- Flagpole: (1) at pavilion.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Accommodation to park area, not in playground.
- Other:



### **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

Playground: New equipment 3,500 SF.

### **Landscaping**

#### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: Flat.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: Wood chip surrounding parking lot, infant trees.
- Lawn: 100,000 sq. ft. of lawn.
- Trees: (16) new trees by parking lot have been planted.



#### Irrigation:

- Source:
- Control System:
- Irrigation Type: Culinary.
- Notes:

### **Recreation**

- Ball Field: None.
- Soccerfield: None.
- Football Field: None.
- Horseshoe Pits: 2 horseshoe pits.
- Basketball: None.
- Volleyball: None.
- ADA: None.



### **Facilities**

#### Restrooms:

- Construction Type: Manufactured concrete.
- Size: 630 SF.
- Condition: New.

- Mens: (1) stall, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (1) stall, (1) sink.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 3/4" line.
  - Sewer: 4" sewer.
  - Power: 110 volt for lighting in restrooms.

**Pavilions (2):**

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 2,100 SF.
- Condition: Good.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: (6) incandescent fixtures w/ (3) bulbs within pavilion, electrical hookups around base.
- ADA: Accessible via pathways.

**Special Use Facilities**

None

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## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Continue with ADA compliance in general and with regards to accessible playground equipment in particular.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No recommendation.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- No Recommendation.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Add trees throughout the park.

### **Other Recommendations**

- Install walks surrounding park and connecting to site elements.
  - Connect to outside access points and future trails to paths within park.
- Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.
- Install (1) grill per (4) tables at each pavilion.
- Provide (1) ADA accessible playground.
- Install sidewalk on east side of park outside of fence for access from road.

### **Notes**

- Use all general recommendations from Section 6 in the development of this park.
- Phases II & III will shed light on the LOS of this park. Final analysis will give this park very complimentary remarks.
- If looking to add to this park when it is finished, connections to neighborhoods, pathways could be considered.

## Priorities

1	Plant more trees, specifically along Highway 121 (7000 North).  Add benches.  Make playground area ADA accessible.  Add volleyball courts.
2	Install grills at pavilions at rate of (1) grill per (4) tables.  Provide sidewalks along 10600 East and connecting to neighborhood areas.
3	Work with local municipalities to create a connector trail between the Tridell and Lapoint signs.

## NAPLES CITY PARK

Naples City Park is a gem in the park system. It shows how maintenance can affect the overall impression of a place. It is a clean, well kept and attractive park. It is the second most visited park in the regional park system. In a quickly growing area, it will serve as a focal point for the community.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Community Park

Location: 1970 South 1700 East, Naples

Size: 24 acres

Expansion: Bound by nature area on north, horse property on east, road on south, commercial property and residences on the west. Opportunity for growth across street by Naples Elementary.

Owner: Naples

Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District, west half; Naples, east half

### **Existing Conditions**

North of Naples Elementary School this park is planned for some substantial growth. It is currently owned by the City of Naples. The East part of the park is maintained by the City of Naples with the West side maintained by URD.

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## Response to previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sidewalks seem sufficient for immediate ADA requirements though specialized equipment is still lacking.</li></ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No new acreage needed.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No park Acreage has been added or sold.</li></ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provide (1) full size basketball court.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No basketball court has been added.</li></ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update restroom.</li><li>Add (3) lights to west parking and (3) to central parking. Add (9) lights along central sidewalk. Add (1) light per 100 ft along trail.</li><li>Install (2) benches at volleyball court. Install (2) benches at horseshoe pits. Add (6) benches around playground.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Restroom appears to be the same building but another restroom has been added to the maintenance building. Original small restroom still needs updating.</li><li>Lights in parking lots have not been installed. (4) lights along interior sidewalk have been installed. No lights along trail have been installed.</li><li>No benches at volleyball courts or horseshoe pits have been installed. No benches around playground have been installed.</li></ul>
<b>Other Recommendations</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Re-pave and re-stripe 268,500 SF of parking lots.</li><li>Add walks.</li><li>Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.</li><li>Provide (1) water spigot attached to both drinking fountains.</li><li>Update playground equipment.</li><li>Update (4) sets of bleachers.</li></ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Upgrade paint on west pavilion.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Parking lot has been repaved and re-striped.</li><li>Walks appear adequate.</li><li>(2) Picnic tables have been added, but capacity has been vastly improved with construction of neighboring pavilions, though they are managed by differing entities.</li><li>Water fountains have spigots but they are not functioning.</li><li>Playground equipment has been improved.</li><li>Bleachers have been replaced.</li></ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Timing of paint on West Pavilion is not clear but is in adequate shape.</li></ul>

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## 2012 Site Notes

### Grounds

- All the playground equipment has been replaced recently and needs no upgrades. The main pavilion is in great shape. There are 3 bbq stations and could be increased. The chain link around the horseshoe pits is odd but perhaps a necessity given the children that may be moving around.

### Recreation

- The two Western ball parks are adequate although capacity is not able to be transferred to the park on the neighboring property due to incongruous conversations concerning reservations and inter-agency policies.
- The Volleyball courts are in good condition but may need an upgrade in the net and poles.

### Signage

- The signage at the West parking lot is very new and visible at the entrance by the highway. It was put up by the city of Naples and has no connection with the rest of the park system (though a standard does not seem to be set). There is no signage at the Eastern entrance. The park kiosks could also be upgraded and brought in line with a District standard.

### Splash Park

- This is one of the major considerations within this park. There is much conversation about whether or not to keep the park as an income generating amenity. It doesn't in itself make money for the district and there is a want to open it, to take down the chain link fence and to incorporate it into the park as a whole.
- The chain link fence surrounding is less than welcoming in its character.

## Amenity Inventory

### Access

#### West Parking:

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Average.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to northeast.
- Size/#Stalls: 265'x160', 39,751 SF, 76 stalls defined.
- ADA Accessibility: 4 stalls defined.
- Lighting: (2) lights.
- Landscaping: Stone retaining wall on south side of parking lot, mature trees on east side of lot.
- Other: Simple painted metal rail barriers separate parking from park areas.

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#### Central Parking:

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Average.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to north and east.
- Size/#Stalls: (2) major divisions of 150'x120' and 195'x70', 38,164 SF, (75) stalls in south division, (25) stalls in north division.
- ADA Accessibility: (1) stall in south division, (3) stalls in north division.
- Lighting: (2) lights.
- Landscaping: None.
- Other: Simple painted metal rail barriers separate parking from park areas. Chain link fence only barrier between parking lot and splash park.

### Sidewalks:

- Surface Type: Concrete and asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Length/Width: 1250x4.
- Lighting: (3) residential style lights within central park. Indirect lighting from fields and facilities.
- ADA Compliance: No connections into play equipment.
- Other: 6" tripping hazard exists between 1900 south sidewalk and west parking lot.

**Trails:**

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Length/Width: 4200', width varying between 8' & 10'.
- Lighting: None.
- Other: Will need to address security on north side. Boulders have been used to protect trails.



**Signs:**

- Park Signage: No signage.
- Regulatory Signage: (1) in central parking lot
- Large slate stone sign on west entrance to the park.

**Utilities**

- Water: 1" line to restroom.
- Sewer: 4" from restroom.
- Storm (Size/Where):
- Electrical: Power is provided to field lighting, some area lighting, restrooms and pavilions.
- Gas: None.

**Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: (1) Northwest of west pavilion (1) south of east pavilion.
- Spigots: (1) on drinking fountain northwest of west pavilion. (1) on drinking fountain south of east pavilion.
- Fencing: 520 LF 6' chain link on the west side, short metal tubing fencing on the east side.
- Tables: (12) located within the pavilion. (2) by ball fields.
- Trash receptacles: (15) receptacles (4) are 50 gallon drums and the others are standard city/county receptacles.
- Fire Pit: (1) southwest of pavilion.
- BBQ: (3) grill by pavilion.
- Flagpole: (1) north of splash pool.
- Bike Racks: Adjacent to the splash park.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Drinking fountains have accessible bowl.



**Playground/Exercise Equipment**

- Playground Equipment: 11,800 sf of play area w/ (2) bouncers, (1) dated miracle playground, (6) swings and a climbing orb.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood chip.
- Playground age: Miracle equipment is old. Other components are brand new.
- ADA: Aside from playground transfer station, no means of accessing equipment.

## **Landscaping**

### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: Of all the parks, Naples has some of the greatest topography changes within the park property. Most of the parks are pretty flat. A berm exists west of the splash pool and beyond the northeast nature trails grades drop off into drainage swales. These swales sometimes present an offensive odor.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: Some around splash pool.
- Lawn: 311,000 sf of well maintained lawn.
- Trees: Natural plantings north of the site with Russian olives, cattails and other natives or invasive species. Remainder of park has a nice mix of ash, honeylocust, crabapples, poplars, spruce and willows.



### Irrigation:

- Source: Along with secondary source, there is a 6" culinary line with backflow prevention to pump house.
- Control System: Electric valves with controller inside maintenance building VFD drive on pumps.
- Irrigation Type: Secondary irrigation water with culinary backup.
- Notes: New irrigation system and pump house installed. Within the pump house one pump supplies the new park development and one pump supplies the existing park development.

## **Recreation**

- Ball Field: (3) good size ball fields with large backstops and two with lighting. Bleachers are fairly new and in good condition. Small dugouts have slats for shade protection and could use updating
- Soccerfield: (1) field is in good condition. Posts are dated.
- Football Field: (1) painted in the west outfield, truck access has run across the painted field and killed the vegetation where the traffic has driven.
- Horseshoe Pits: (4) good condition.
- Basketball: No real courts exist. Backboard in west parking lot.
- Volleyball: (1) court northeast of new pavilion, could use maintenance. (1) Court west of west pavilion, court in good condition with dated hardware.
- ADA: None defined.

## **Facilities**

### Restroom - West section:

- Construction Type: Masonry.
- Size: 517 sf.
- Mens: (1) stall, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: Southeast corner has settling and vandalism damage. This structural damage has been repaired.
- Storage/Utility Room: Small between toilets.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 2".
  - Sewer: 4" line.
  - Power: 110 Volt.
- ADA:

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### Restroom - Maintenance Building:

- Mens: (1) stall, (1) urinal, (1) sink.
- Womens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.

- Utilities:
  - Water: 1" line to building and restrooms.
  - Sewer: 4" sewer.
  - 110 Volt.
  - ADA:

West Pavilion:

- Construction Type: Post and beam construction.
- Size: 1,800 SF.
- Condition: Dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None
- Utilities:
  - Water: None
  - Sewer: None
  - Power: Some incandescent lighting, Electrical hookups around base.
- ADA: None defined.
- Notes: Wood shake shingle roof.



East Pavilion:

- Construction Type: Metal Frame.
- Size: 1,500 SF.
- Condition: Good.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Can lighting in finished ceiling, electrical hookups around base.
- ADA: None defined.
- Notes: Stand and seam metal roofing.

Small Pavilions (3):

- Construction Type: Metal Frame.
- Size: 150 SF.
- Condition: Good.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Hookups around base.
- ADA: Accessed by sidewalk.

Maintenance Building:

- Construction Type: CMU block, metal roofing.
- Size: 2,400 SF.
- Condition: Good.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 1" line to building and restrooms.
  - Sewer: 4" sewer.
  - Power: 460 volt main, 110 service for building and restrooms.
  - ADA: None defined.

Notes:

- Maintenance building also houses pump station with pumps and controllers for irrigation system.
- Pump Shed: 30x60 not evaluated.

## **Special Use Facilities**

### **Splash Park:**

- Construction Type: Concrete flat work, masonry building.
- Size: 7,097 SF lawn, 10,517 SF concrete paving, 1,350 SF building.
- Mens: (1) stall, (1) urinal, (1) shower, (1) sink.
- Womens: (3) stalls, (1) shower, and (1) sink.
- Condition: Good.
- Storage/Utility Room: Pump equipment lies outside of building to the West, in a fenced off and buried location.
- Utilities:
  - Water: 3" line.
  - Sewer: 4" line.
  - Power: 110 Volt,
  - Gas: 1"
- ADA: Ramp to entrance.
- Notes: (10) spray fixtures fed by 3" culinary. Pavilion with (6) picnic tables and (25) to (30) chairs.



### **Amphitheater/Fire Pit (2)**

- Concrete apron and pit.
- (6) Dated benches.

## **Results from the 2011 Survey**

Please rate the amenities at the Naples Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
<b>Playground</b>	0.2% (1)	17.2% (76)	<b>82.6% (365)</b>
<b>Restrooms</b>	19.9% (86)	<b>57.6% (249)</b>	22.5% (97)
<b>Lighting</b>	15.2% (65)	<b>61.7% (264)</b>	23.1% (99)
<b>Athletic fields</b>	8.5% (37)	<b>47.4% (206)</b>	44.1% (192)
<b>Pavilions</b>	3.9% (17)	44.0% (192)	<b>52.1% (227)</b>
<b>Parking</b>	8.2% (36)	44.2% (194)	<b>47.6% (209)</b>
<b>Maintenance</b>	3.9% (17)	<b>48.6% (211)</b>	47.5% (206)

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## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No new acreage needed.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Provide (1) full size basketball court.
- Install field goal poles for football in multi-purpose field area. This field can be used for soccer, football, rugby, etc...

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Update or replace restroom.
- Add (3) lights to west parking and (3) to central parking. Add (9) lights along central sidewalk. Add (1) light per 100 ft along trail.
- Install (2) benches at volleyball court. Install (2) benches at horseshoe pits. Add (6) benches around playground.
- Install (2) benches at basketball court when installed.

### **Other Recommendations**

#### Site

- Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.
- Improve separation between park and fire station.
- Splash Park
  - Complete feasibility study of incorporating splash park into park, removing chain link fence.
  - Incorporate the building into the park as whole, including the pump equipment location and connections through berthing and other methods.
  - Replace chain link fence with a more aesthetically pleasing option.

#### Architecture

- Add pavilion near west parking lot and ballfields.

### **Notes**

- There needs to be a strong paved and or landscaped relationship between the parking lot, the ballfield, playground, pavilions. This needs to tie into the trail system, both within the park and in the entire trail system.
- Ownership and maintenance agreements need to be clearly defined to protect future investment.
- The connection between the two major park areas is weak due to large parking lot. Consider connecting through planters in parking lot, directed pedestrian paths, or other means.

## Priorities

**1**

- Add Basketball court with (2) benches along long sides of court.
- Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.
- Update or replace central restroom building.
- Install sign on at east parking lot entrance. Give consideration on how it is to fit in with larger sign scheme in the district.
- Install larger sign along Highway 40 to make park's presence known.
- Add lighting to both parking lots and central sidewalk.

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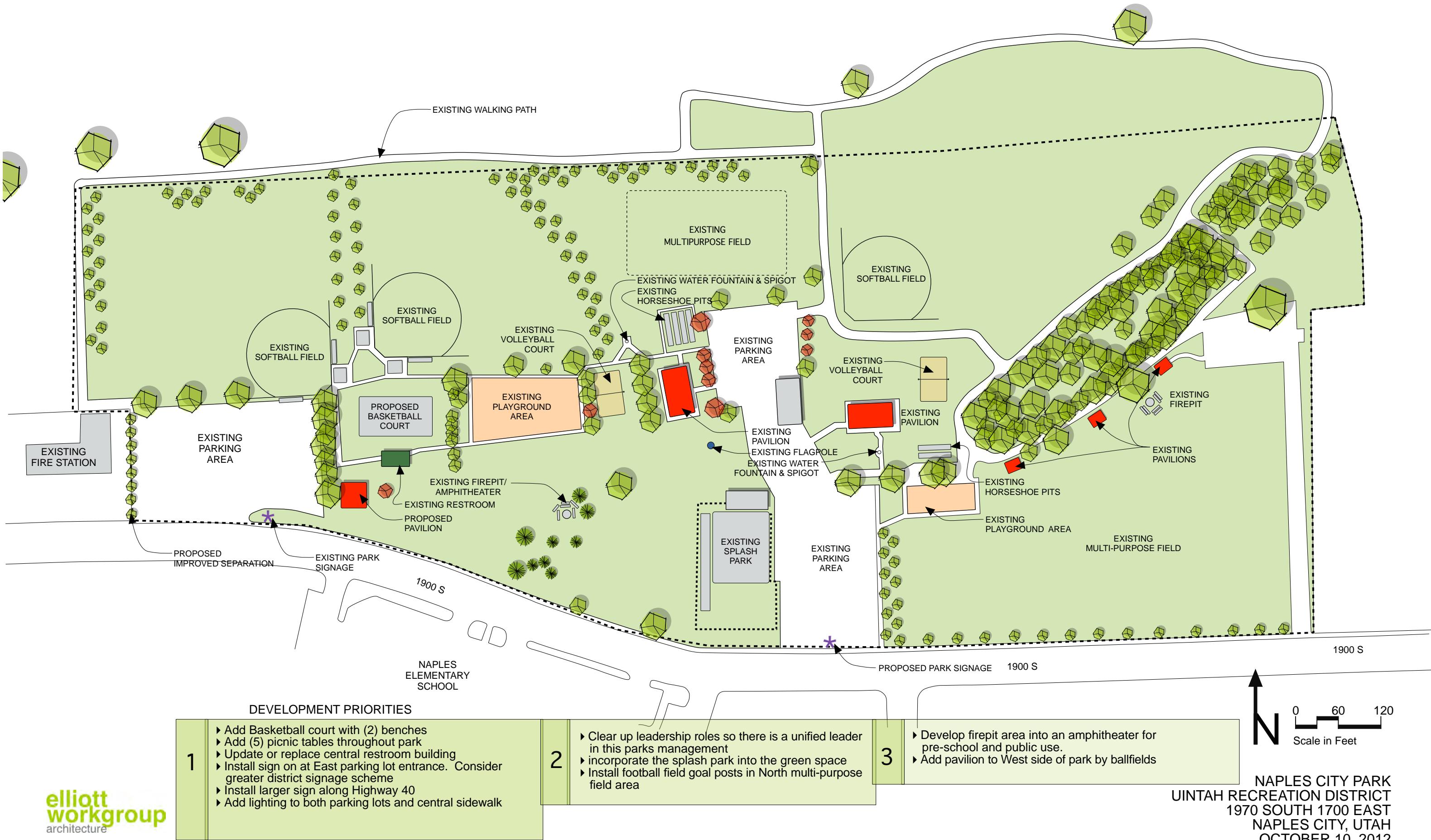
- Clear up leadership roles so there is a unified leader in this parks management.
- Incorporate the splash park into the green space.
- Install football field goal posts in north multi-purpose field area.

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- Develop firepit area into an amphitheater for elementary school and public use.
- Add pavilion to west side of park by ballfields.

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## **REMEMBER THE MAINE PARK**

With stunning rock cliffs and the Ashley Creek surrounding the park, Remember the Maine Park is one of the more unique parks within Uintah County and it provides some diverse recreational opportunities. This park is unique in it's connection to the natural surroundings and the ability to blend in with them while keeping important connections to the park environment.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Special-Use Park  
Location: 4238 North Dry Fork Canyon,  
Uintah County  
Size: 17 acres  
Expansion: There are expansion opportunities to  
the North and South.  
Owner: Uintah County  
Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

Visitors are greeted by an old and endearing sign as they pass into the park. The parking lot is a bit old and the park has a rustic feel to it. The vegetation is encroaching, naturally, from the road. Trails wind through un-manicured spaces within the nature area of the park and the river, and a chain link fence, border the East side of the park.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No improvements to ADA Access have been implemented.</li></ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No new acreage needed.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No park Acreage has been added.</li></ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Add (1) basketball court.</li><li>Develop trailhead.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(0) Basketball courts have been added.</li><li>Trailhead has not been developed.</li></ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provide ADA access to restroom building.</li><li>Add (11) lights along loop road. Add (2) lights in south parking lot.</li><li>Add (1) drinking fountain in center of park and (1) in south portion of park.</li><li>Install (6) benches around fire pit and (1) at volleyball court.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ADA Access to restroom building has not been adequately satisfied.</li><li>Lights have not been added.</li><li>(0) Drinking fountains has been added.</li><li>Benches around fire pit have been added but cannot be determined when.</li><li>(7) Benches have been added around fire pit, no benches by volleyball court.</li></ul>
<b>Other Recommendations</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Re-pave and re-stripe 41,200 SF of parking lots.</li><li>Add sidewalks.</li><li>Improve trails within natural area.</li><li>Update pedestrian bridge.</li><li>Provide irrigation system.</li><li>Remove barbed wiring along Ashley Creek fence.</li></ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update south and north pavilion aesthetics.</li></ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Re-paving has not been carried out.</li><li>No sidewalks have been added.</li><li>Trails do not appear to have been improved.</li><li>Pedestrian bridge has not been improved.</li><li>Irrigation system was not documented.</li><li>Barbed wire fence has not been removed though there is section removed that offers access.</li></ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The aesthetics have not been updated.</li></ul>

COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

## 2012 Site Notes

### **Park Area**

- Much of the green lawned area was swampy or underwater. This leaves this area inaccessible for any recreation activities.
- New playground equipment has been installed since the previous analysis. It is in good shape and is a significant improvement for the park.
- If any additional equipment were to be considered, a small scale boulder akin to other parks in the district would fit in well with the surrounding environment. The South section of the park was mentioned as a good place for this, as there is no play equipment in that area.

### **Nature Area**

- The park has mature natural areas beyond the initial lawned area. A truly natural environment thrives in the woods and is an asset to the area.
- The river area seemed to be underutilized. This natural asset is bordered by a chain link fence.
- The North parking lot has ample parking and a natural trailhead beginning where the existing trail enters the natural area. The access to the creek (if a future trail is built) is an easy straight line and a small network of trails exist within the park already.
- The South parking lot also has a decent amount of parking. The Pavilion structure would be ideal for any type of group recreational activity or competition to begin and end at. Putting a trailhead here would require more logistics as there access to the nature area and creek is not as defined.
- Small amounts of debris have accumulated over the years lending a cluttered appearance to the nature areas.

### **Pavilions**

- North Pavilion is in good condition and well used.
- South Pavilion is in good condition but has an odd feeling to it because of proximity to the parking lot. The old amphitheater type building is uncomfortably close to the new pavilion. The access to the nature area directly behind is sparse and not marked. Trail markers or directions should be encouraged.

### **Signage**

- Signage is old and rickety but seems to be completely appropriate with the surroundings.

## Amenity Inventory

### **Access**

#### **South Parking**

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Poor.
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to northeast corner.
- Size/#Stalls: 120'x96' irregular shape, 18,800 SF, no striping.
- ADA Accessibility: No stalls defined.
- Lighting: Indirect lighting from access drive light north of parking.
- Landscaping: None.

#### **Central Parking**

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Poor.
- Drainage: Surface drainage across lot to north and then west.

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- Size/#Stalls: 470'x50' linear, 22,400 SF, no striping.
- ADA Accessibility: No stalls defined.
- Lighting: (2) parking lot lights. Indirect lighting from pavilion.
- Landscaping: None.

Sidewalks:

- Small heaved sidewalk for restrooms accessibility. Nothing else connects from the Central parking area to the central pavilion in any orderly fashion. A beaten path has been created where necessity steered.

Trails:

- Surface Type: Gravel.
- Surface Condition: Average to Poor.
- Length/Width: 2,000' length x varying widths - mostly narrow.
- Lighting: None.
- ADA Compliance: None.
- Notes: The trail is narrow, has too many branches; too many weeds growing within the trail and portions of the trail have a security concern. It is not well maintained. The nature trail entrance is obscure and the nature area is a security concern. The small boulders lining the trails present more of a hazard than a guide and may contribute to more of a winding network of trails than is necessary.



Signs:

- Park Signage: (2) entry signs at south entry. (1) dated panel sign in the center of the park.
- Regulatory Signage: Various signs throughout the park.
- Commemorative plaque: Located in the central part of park area.

Access Drive:

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Poor.
- Drainage: Surface drainage across drive to north and then west.
- Size: 630'x27' irregular shape, no striping.
- Lighting: (1) light.
- Landscaping: None.
- Notes: Cattle guards are installed at both entrances.

Nature Bridge:

- Construction Type: Wood slat on metal frame.
- Condition: Poor.
- Size: 40'x5'.
- Lighting: (1) light.
- Notes: Does not meet safety requirements.



Utilities

- Water: 1" meter and mainline to (4) spigots throughout park.
- Sewer: Pit toilets.  
(1) Women's stall, (1) Men's stall.
- Storm: None.
- Electrical: Power to lighting and pavilions.
- Gas: None.

**Site Furnishings**

- Drinking Fountain: None.
- Spigots: (3) at odd locations, (1) at pavilion.

- (1) Located by horseshoe pits does not work.
- Fencing: 4,300 LF chain link, the east portion has barbed wire on top.
- Benches: (7) in average condition around central fire pit.
- Tables: (11) located within the main pavilion in poor condition. (7) within the south pavilion, (6) east of parking lot, (6) custom covered tables throughout the nature trail area.
- Trash receptacles: (5) standard city/county receptacles throughout park.
- (1) Dumpster on northeast section of parking lot
- Fire Pit: (2) in nature trail areas - (1) of these is too close to the trail - and (1) within main park.
- Fire Places: (2) at central pavilion (1) fireplace at south pavilion.
- BBQ: (2) grills at south pavilion (1) at main pavilion.
- Flagpole: (1) at main pavilion.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.



### **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

#### **New Playground**

- Playground Equipment: Estimated 4000 SF of play area. Equipment includes (1) large play set and (2) bouncers.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood chip.
- Playground age: New.
- ADA: Aside from playground transfer station, no means of accessing equipment.

#### **Old Playground (South)**

- Playground Equipment: 3000 SF of play area. Equipment includes (1) swing set with 4 seats.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood chip.
- Playground age: New.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

### **Landscaping**

#### **Landscape:**

- Berms/Landforms: Stunning landforms surround the site. Access to the site slopes down from the highway so the park is in a bowl-type area.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: West fence line is semi-consumed with natural growth.
- Lawn: 2 acres that are spotted and not well-maintained.
- Trees: (5) within more manicured areas including silver maples and native trees.
- Native Landscape: Heavily wooded and grazed areas cover approximately 12 acres of the site. Lawn areas are kept in a 'natural' state with little upkeep. This is intentional.

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#### **Irrigation:**

- Source: x" line.
- Control System:
- Irrigation Type:
- Notes:

### **Recreation**

- Ball Field: None.
- Soccerfield: none

- Football Field: None.
- Horseshoe Pits: (2) in fair condition.
- Basketball: None.
- Volleyball: (1) court north of pavilion. Posts are old. Sand is average.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

## **Facilities**

### **Restrooms:**

- Construction Type: Manufactured concrete with faux wood finish.
- Size: 630 SF.
- Mens: (1) stall.
- Womens: (1) stall.
- Condition: Good, though concrete walk surrounding is heaving.
- Storage/Utility Room: Small between toilets, access door on east wall.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: Pit toilet.
  - Power: None.
- ADA: Yes.
- Notes: East of the central parking lot are concrete pads that are remnants of an old toilet facility.

### **South Pavilion:**

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 3,800 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Lighting with outlets on structural posts on pavilion.
- ADA: Accommodated only because there is no separation between parking and pavilion pad.
- Notes: Has fireplace on west side of pavilion. The West side structure is dilapidated and in need of repair or replacement.



### **Main Pavilion:**

- Construction Type: Metal posts with wood truss roof.
- Size: 2,190 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None
  - Sewer: None
  - Power: (6) incandescent lights within, electrical hookups around base.
- ADA: Not accommodated.
- Notes: North wall has interesting arrangement of (2) fireplaces and storage area.



### **Building 1: Maintenance building:**

- Construction Type: Masonry.
- Size: 300 SF.

- Condition: Good condition.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power:
- ADA: Not accommodated.

### **Special Use Facilities**

None.

### **Results from 2011 Survey**

Please rate the amenities at the Remember the Maine Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
<b>Playground</b>	8.9% (34)	<b>52.1% (199)</b>	39.0% (149)
<b>Restrooms</b>	42.6% (160)	<b>52.1% (196)</b>	5.3% (20)
<b>Lighting</b>	33.9% (125)	<b>57.5% (212)</b>	8.7% (32)
<b>Green Space</b>	9.3% (35)	<b>48.0% (181)</b>	42.7% (161)
<b>Pavilions</b>	7.4% (28)	<b>59.5% (226)</b>	33.2% (126)
<b>Parking</b>	11.1% (42)	<b>62.7% (237)</b>	26.2% (99)
<b>Maintenance</b>	14.7% (55)	<b>63.6% (238)</b>	21.7% (81)

Remem.

## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.
- Given the history of the park and the naming of the park, ADA access for disabled veterans should take a center stage. ADA constructed pathways, platforms, playgrounds and bathrooms should be high on the minds when adding to this park.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- Pursue acquisition or access to land north and south of park for trails access or general expansion.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Add (1) basketball court.
- Develop trailhead.
- Add a circuit track within the park boundary. This would give park visitors a different experience than the asphalt pathways they would typically be walking on.
- Create ADA accessible trail from Central parking lot to creek and to ADA compliant picnic structures.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Provide ADA access to restroom building.
- Add (11) lights along loop road. Add (2) lights in south parking lot.
- Add (1) drinking fountain in center of park and (1) in south portion of park.
- Install (1) bench at volleyball court.
- Signage is old and rickety. Consider refurbishing or replacing.

### **Other Recommendations**

#### Site

- Much of the green lawned area was swampy or underwater. This situation leaves this area inaccessible for any recreation activities. Possible solutions discussed are:
  - Double checking to assure that the standing water is indeed from natural sources rather than a broken sprinkler line.
  - Filling the area with soil to get the land above the water table and make it more accessible.
  - Regrade the entire park to smooth out inconsistent land formations. There are a few odd placements of mounds and depressions that can be ignored but could also be addressed in the name of safety and comfort.
  - Allow the saturated area grow as natural, as the area is not used now anyway. This would add to the natural character of the park and cover the chain link fence that is now quite visible. If the fence could be removed, the growth of natural grasses and trees would provide a natural barrier much more pleasing to the eye.
- Remove paving in parking lots and substituting with natural paving to capture natural element and reduce maintenance.
- Add sidewalks.
- Simplifying pathways in nature areas into more coherent and safe throughways. Removing much of the rubble rock lining the paths is aligned with this recommendation.
- Replace or remove the uncovered picnic tables. They are in poor condition and may present a hazard.
- Update pedestrian bridge.
- Clean the park. There is a lot of dead wood and unsightly debris that would take very little time to clean.

- Provide irrigation system or allow areas of park to grow with native plantings.
- Improvements to the immediate river area include:
  - 1 additional pavilion to house functions such as weddings, reunions and logistics for large events such as running or biking competitions.
  - 1 more pit toilet facility.
  - Address the fence next to the creek and its function or lack thereof.
  - This area is ideal for a trailhead. The abundance of parking and proximity to the creek provide for easy and simple access. Either parking lot provide for desirable gateways.

#### Architecture

- Update south and north pavilion aesthetics.
- Upgrade the picnic structures. The current structures are adequate and have the right aesthetic, but are in poor condition.
- South Pavilion:
  - Create a buffer of some sort (grass, stone wall, landscape beds) that would help to separate this leisure area from the automobile.
  - The structure behind the pavilion is extremely close to the pavilion itself and in disrepair. Additional input from residents and board are needed on what the structure stands for and whether it can be modified. If modification is approved, suggestions include:
    - Turn into a viable amphitheater, set back and make larger.
    - Reducing the structure height a few feet, leaving the footprint and base of structure, but opening it to the nature behind.
    - Removing entirely.
  - Add (2) grills.
  - Recapture green space surrounding parking lot by addressing grade changes.
  - Include nature area behind the pavilion with any upgrades.

#### Notes

- There needs to be a strong paved and or landscaped relationship between the parking lot and all built site elements.
- The park's natural area is one of the most significant features and as such should be preserved, enhanced and incorporated into any improvements.
- Ashley creek is a very underutilized amenity and should be addressed in some form or another.
- Additional amenities such as a baseball field will consume more of the natural area and take away from the uniqueness of the site. Avoid expansion of otherwise typical park activities in order to retain, as much as possible a natural appeal.
- Possible acquisition or property on the North was mentioned.

#### Sustainable options:

- Remove asphalt and replace with pervious, low albedo option. By using a pervious material, that could be something like road base, natural drainage to the area is restored, eliminating ponding and allowing for more filtration of rainwater before returning to the immediate environment and the creek. The low albedo would reduce heat island effects and be more comfortable for kids and people in general if they are walking on the surface. Given that the park is not maintained in the winter, plowing will not adversely affect any road replacement decision.
- Install solar panels on pavilions to provide for electrical needs for the park. Generally loads will be low and if total replacement of power source with panels is not desired because of dependability issues, the addition of panels would reduce energy loads. This is in addition to being a better steward of the environment and being a center piece for education for all the kids visiting the park.

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## Priorities

**1**

- Replace Asphalt drive and parking with natural substitute or new asphalt.
- Remediate swampy area in north grass area.
- Provide ADA access (sidewalk) to north pavilion.
- Clean up wooded area of downed branches and trash.
- Add Drinking fountains to both pavilions.

**2**

- Replace heaving concrete near toilet.
- Update pedestrian bridge in nature area.
- Replace or repair covered picnic tables in nature area.
- Update trails throughout nature area, including ADA access through to creek from parking lot.
- Replace equipment for volleyball court.

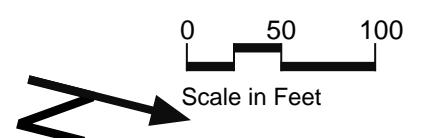
**3**

- Add pavilion or more picnic tables nearer to Ashley Creek.
- Create trailhead in conjunction with new trail leading out of the park area.
- Pursue acquisition of neighboring properties to increase acreage.
- Add lights to parking area and drive lanes.



#### DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replace asphalt drive and parking with natural substitute or new asphalt</li> <li>Remediate swampy area in north grass area</li> <li>Provide ADA access (sidewalk) to north pavilion</li> <li>Clean up wooded area of downed branches and trash</li> <li>Add drinking fountains to both pavilions</li> <li>Improve horseshoe pits</li> </ul>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replace heaving concrete near toilet</li> <li>Update pedestrian bridge in nature area</li> <li>Replace or repair covered picnic tables in nature area</li> <li>Update trails throughout nature area, including ADA access through to creek from parking lot</li> <li>Replace equipment for volleyball court</li> </ul>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add pavilion or more picnic tables nearer to Ashley Creek</li> <li>Create trailhead in conjunction with new trail leading out of the park area</li> <li>Pursue acquisition of neighboring properties</li> <li>Add lights to parking area and drive lanes</li> </ul>



## **SERENITY PARK**

We were pleasantly surprised to find this park extremely active when we visited. It is an improvement to what laid here before. Having this type of park available to a community in a rural setting is positive.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Park Rural  
Location: East Highway 40, Ballard  
Size: 13 acres  
Expansion: Open spaces exist east of property and an existing rodeo facility exists west of the park.  
Owner: Ballard City  
Weekly Maintenance: Ballard City

### **Existing Conditions**

Ballard Park is situated at the west edge of the county within the community of Ballard. This park is currently under development with approximately 7.5 acres in some stage of development and the remaining 5.5 acres still being planned.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parking lot and access to pavilion in general has been updated.</li> <li>Access to the playground equipment is still lacking.</li> </ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No new acreage needed.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No park Acreage has been added.</li> </ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incorporate trails within the park. These are currently planned.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walking trails have been incorporated into the park, around the playground and also around the ballpark, giving plenty of room to walk.</li> </ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add an accessible drinking fountain by the pavilion.</li> <li>Add trees throughout the park.</li> <li>Provide (8) benches near playground and (2) near basketball court. Add (4) within west portion and (6) along planned trail.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is no drinking fountain in the pavilion area, but there is one on the side of the restroom building.</li> <li>It appears that there have been a few trees planted though the shade potential is still vastly underserved.</li> <li>Benches have been added around playground area. None have been added by the basketball courts. There is a bleacher that has been dragged over, perhaps due to lack of seating. No other benches have been added.</li> </ul>

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<p><b>Other Recommendations</b></p> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add (4) picnic tables and pads within the west portion and (4) along the planned trail.</li> <li>• Provide (1) water spigot attached to drinking fountain.</li> <li>• Install (1) volleyball court.</li> <li>• Install (2) grills at the pavilion</li> <li>• Finish landscaping throughout the park</li> <li>• Install (1) scorer's booth at the ball field.</li> <li>• Add (2) trash receptacles by benches at playground, (2) in west park area, (2) at ball field, (2) along the planned trail.</li> <li>• Finish 69,243 SF of paving in parking lot and access road.</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paint exposed wood on dugouts</li> <li>• Provide new metal siding for sheds.</li> <li>• Update restroom paint.</li> <li>• Update pavilion aesthetics.</li> </ul>	<p><b>RESPONSE:</b></p> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 4-table pavilion has been added in the west portion of the park and trail.</li> <li>• No spigot attached to water fountain.</li> <li>• (1) Volleyball court has been installed.</li> <li>• (2) Grills have been installed in the pavilion.</li> <li>• Landscaping has been updated, but is a subjective measure.</li> <li>• (0) Scorer's booths has been added to the ball field.</li> <li>• (1) Trash receptacle by benches at playground, (2) wheeled trash receptacles by pavilion next to parking lot, none at the ball field and none along the planned trail .</li> <li>• Paving in parking lot and access road is finished.</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The exposed wood on the dugouts may have been painted but could be repainted again.</li> <li>• No new metal siding for sheds.</li> <li>• Restrooms may have been painted but could be repainted again.</li> <li>• Pavilion aesthetics were updated, CMU Block painted and metal frame painted.</li> </ul>

COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

## 2012 Site Notes

### Lighting

- Lighting around the perimeter pathway has been added and lights the pathway.

### Recreation

- The baseball Field is in good shape.
- The basketball court is fairly new and looks to get use. The backboards and nets are in reasonably bad shape.
- The volleyball court is ready to use but looks a little bit ragged.

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### Park Area

- New playground equipment has been installed.

### Pavilions

- Large pavilion is aging but sufficient, one small pavilion is new and could be used as example of 4-table pavilions to use in this and other parks.

## Amenity Inventory

### Access

#### Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Drainage:
- Size/#Stalls: none defined: 94 Stalls.
- ADA Accessibility: (7) stalls .
- Lighting: (12) lights.
- Landscaping: None.
- Other: Simple painted metal rail barriers separate parking from park areas.

#### Sidewalks:

- Surface Type: Asphalt and concrete.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Length/Width: 567x4.
- Lighting: (20) residential style lights.
- ADA Compliance: No connections into play equipment.
- New asphalt walking paths around pavilion and playground. Also throughout park allowing access to restrooms and basketball court.
- Other:

Trails: Paved trail around the back of the ball field.

Signs: None



### Utilities

- Water (Size/Where):
- Sewer (Size/Where):
- Storm (Size/Where):
- Electrical (Size/Where):
- Gas (Size/Where):

### Site Furnishings

- Drinking Fountain: (1) connected to restroom building.
- Spigots: (1) south of pavilion.
- Fencing: 2680 LF 6' fencing, 800 LF 3' fencing at church property.
- Tables: (15) located within the pavilion.
- Trash receptacles: (3) receptacles.
- Fire Pit: None.
- BBQ: (3)
- Flagpole: (1) west of main pavilion.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

### Playground/Exercise Equipment

- Playground Equipment: 12,000 SF of play area w/ (1) large play set, (1) toddler play set, (1) swing set (1) small climbing boulder and various climbing and play equipment.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood chip.
- Playground age: New.
- ADA: Aside from playground transfer stations, no means of accessing equipment.

## Landscaping

### Landscape:

- Berms/Landforms: Greatest slope change at south side of site slopes from park up to highway.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: None.
- Lawn: (2) acres at ball field.
- Trees: (25) smaller trees have been planted.

### Irrigation:

- Source: 4" mainline, fed by 2" meter.
- Control System: Electric valves with controller inside maintenance shed.
- Irrigation Type: Culinary.
- Notes:



## Recreation

- Ball Field: (1) ball field with large backstops and metal pole lighting. Small set of bleachers. Small CMU dugouts.
- Soccerfield: None.
- Football Field: None.
- Horseshoe Pits: (2) on west side of park.
- Basketball: (1) 55x50, 3000 SF court.
- Volleyball: (1) Volleyball Pit in poor shape.
- ADA: None defined.



## Facilities

### Restrooms:

- Construction: Masonry w/ asphalt shingle roof.
- Size: 273 SF.
- Mens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.
- Womens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: Average.
- Storage/Utility Room: Concessions window on back side of building.
- Utilities:
  - Water:
  - Sewer:
  - Power:
- ADA:
- Notes:



### Large pavilion:

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 1800 SF.
- Condition: Average.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: Spigot on south end.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: Lighting and receptacles on structural poles of pavilion.
- ADA: None defined.

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### Small pavilion

- Construction Type: Metal frame.
- Size: 600 SF.
- Condition: New.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: None.
- ADA: None defined.

Utility Shed: 150 SF

### Special Use Facilities

None

### Results from 2011 Survey

Please rate the amenities at the Serenity Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
<b>Playground</b>	0.0% (0)	33.3% (9)	<b>66.7% (18)</b>
<b>Restrooms</b>	3.7% (1)	<b>70.4% (19)</b>	25.9% (7)
<b>Lighting</b>	3.7% (1)	<b>70.4% (19)</b>	25.9% (7)
<b>Athletic fields</b>	14.8% (4)	<b>51.9% (14)</b>	33.3% (9)
<b>Pavilions</b>	3.7% (1)	40.7% (11)	<b>55.6% (15)</b>
<b>Parking</b>	0.0% (0)	48.1% (13)	<b>51.9% (14)</b>
<b>Maintenance</b>	7.4% (2)	40.7% (11)	<b>51.9% (14)</b>

## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No new acreage needed.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Add (2) horseshoe pits.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Add an accessible drinking fountain by the pavilion, with spigot.
- Trees and planting improvements.
  - Plant more trees and remove trees that did not make it.
- Provide (8) benches near playground and (2) near basketball court. Add (4) within west portion and (6) along planned trail.
- Add lights to pathways at rate of (1) per 100'.

### **Other Recommendations**

#### Site

- Add (4) picnic tables along the trail.
- Provide (1) water spigot attached to drinking fountain.
- Finish landscaping throughout the park.
- Install (1) scorer's booth at the ball field.
- Add (2) trash receptacles by benches at playground, (2) in west park area, (2) at ball field, (2) along the planned trail.
- Finish 69,243 SF of paving in parking lot and access road.

#### Architecture

- Update restroom building.
  - Repaint and general maintenance.
- Consider replacement of maintenance building.
  - Storage and maintenance could be incorporated into one restroom/maintenance building.
- Paint dugouts.
- Update restroom paint.
- Update pavilion aesthetics.

### **Notes**

- There needs to be a strong paved and or landscaped relationship between the parking lot, the ballfield, playground, pavilion and basketball court.
- The metal railings separating parking and other park elements are in disrepair and could use a more distinct and pleasant upgrade, such as a long planter, that separates the two and creates a significant barrier.
- With its rural nature, Serenity Park could be enhanced by providing some western theming.

Serenity

## Priorities

1	<p>Paint restroom building.</p> <p>Add benches around playground, basketball court and volley ball court.</p> <p>Upgrade water fountain to include spigot.</p> <p>Upgrade or maintain sports equipment (basketball hoops, volleyball court).</p>
2	<p>Renovate or replace maintenance building, possibly incorporate with new scorer's booth or restroom.</p> <p>Add smaller pavilions with picnic tables.</p> <p>Pave access road.</p> <p>Add (2) horseshoe pits.</p> <p>Trees and planting improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remove and replace trees that have died.</li></ul>
3	<p>Build scorer's booth.</p> <p>Replace dugouts.</p> <p>Renovate or replace restroom building.</p> <p>Expand parking to south if necessary.</p>



## TRAILS SYSTEM

The trails system is a new addition to the Master Plan. It was mentioned quite frequently in the previous version and many surveys and public comment sessions have shown this to be an important park amenity to add. As an introductory section and due to the convoluted documentation of existing trails, the format of this section is more descriptive than analytical. This introduction to trails should be explored more deeply and have a detailed account when the next master plan is formulated.

Trails systems are the arteries of a community. They encourage connections between recreation areas and all other aspects of community living. Healthy lifestyles are encouraged and become immediately accessible. Opportunities to enhance other parks with this particular type of system make it more of a reason to add to the inventory. There is a lack of trails within the Ashley Valley (Other areas of the district were not inventoried). This points to the need of development in this area. There may be trails that are not marked and that criss cross properties and boundary lines. This also highlights the need to develop a cohesive trails policy. A thriving trails system is intrinsic to a healthy community, both socially and physically. This section focuses on this aspect of trails.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Trails System

Location: Throughout District

Size: n/a

Expansion: BLM land and local land that can be negotiated for available trails development

Owner: Many

Weekly Maintenance: Local advocates

### **Existing Conditions**

Trails inside communities and specifically the Ashley Valley are few. Trails outside of the Ashley Valley are plentiful if not marked. Many grazing trails for cattle have been incorporated into the trail system and many trails have been created by local enthusiasts. Sanctioned trails and trailheads within the Ashley Valley are minimal.

Trails

## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

As there were no recommendations in the previous master plan, this section has been omitted.

### 2012 Site Notes

The only current designated urban trail is the Kid's Canal. There are no designated trails to inventory beyond this but are many undesignated trails made by people living and traveling places. Connecting these and creating new to make longer trails will be an important task moving forward. It is important to note that trails can coincide with building projects, such as a new road with a bike lane for road biking.

Aside from the interior trails in urban areas, there is a growing and thriving trails experience on the periphery. Mountain Biking has gained a foothold in the area and continues to grow as an activity for people to participate in. At the moment this activity is more embraced by tourists and outside visitors but there is an interest growing locally. That said, there are a few trails that are worth inclusion, partly because there is not much of a trails culture in the city areas, and also that the mountain bike trails will continue to grow as a contributing force in the Uintah District.

Three trailheads have been mentioned in this section. There are a many more options for accessing trails that are not mentioned. These three represent a snapshot of this segment of the trails program. There are also a great many options for hiking, motorized vehicles, equestrians and other modes of trail travel. These are not addressed but are important in forming a future plan for the trails system.

### Reasons to consider trails

#### Benefits to a community with healthy trails system

Trails encourage people to go outdoors more often. Basic health benefits of exercise include:

- Control weight.
- Control high blood pressure.
- Reduce risk for type 2 diabetes, heart attack, and colon cancer.
- Reduce symptoms of depression and anxiety.
- Reduce arthritis pain and disability.
- Prevent osteoporosis and falls.

Other benefits include:

- Money saved on gas.
- Safer neighborhoods.
- More desirable places and higher real estate value.
- Easier access to parks.



Trails can handle multiple uses

### From other County Institutions

#### Naples City General plan:

"In respect to community recreation trails and alternative modes of transportation, Naples City will work with neighboring communities, Uintah Recreation district and Uintah County to develop an Ashley Valley trails plan.

The City will also encourage passive recreational uses and alternative modes of transportation by designing and including bicycle lanes/trails along major streets and sidewalks within the community."

### Uintah County General Plan, Section 7d, Recreation Trails:

"Uintah County residents have expressed an interest in planning for and developing a system of recreation trails within the County. Once initiated, these efforts would be coordinated with the Uintah Recreation District, various communities, property owners, and federal and state governmental entities as necessary. A critical component of the trails plan will be addressing motorized and non-motorized trail uses.

### Recommended Improvements

Recommended improvements for trails system are outside of the scope of NRPA guidelines and currently, the master plan update for the Uintah Recreation District. While some of the following guidelines can be incorporated, a larger scale analysis incorporating other standards should be used. IMBA, AASHTO are two organizations that can be referenced when starting this procedure.

#### **General recommendations**

- Develop a network of trails within communities, connecting park and greenway areas.
- Conduct survey and create trails master plan to further analyze this future amenity.
- Develop inter-agency relationships to better manage and create trails.
  - Currently there are at least 4 entities bringing their visions of trails to the areas that they govern. A unified body or board would have a more substantial effect on the positive outcome of trails in the district.
- Inventory existing trails and bring them under surveillance.
  - There are few trails within city limits, but the trails outside of city limits on BLM, national forest and state are abundant.
- Separate trails into categories to more easily identify needs for each:
  - Urban Trails - Generally paved and connecting parts of an urban center.
  - Hiking /Biking Trails - Generally dirt and accommodating more rigorous outdoor activities.
- Trail hubs should be designed so that food and lodging are available to trail users allowing community businesses to economically benefit from the trails and ensuring a greater level of safety and convenience for trail users. Community hubs that are designed with the input of local residents, businesses and landowners are more likely to better serve the community's needs and address local concerns.
- Future mass transit should be incorporated into trails planning and where major hubs are located.



Proper bike lanes increase safety



Trails

#### **Activity centers and recreation nodes**

- Create a language to use when entering recreation nodes and activity centers.
- Employ uniform signage for nodes and centers.
- Provide name and identity to each area.
- Provide access to mass transit if nearby.
- Use existing park system as nodal basis.
- Provide Restrooms for major trailheads.

Opportunity for unique recreation hubs

### **Paved multi-use paths**

- Create a multi-use path to connect sections within the district.
- Create connections from main multi-use paths to smaller arteries and neighborhoods.
- Work with outside bodies (BLM, National Forest) to connect to the multi-use path in the district.
- Install lighting along pathway.



Highline Canal in Denver, CO

### **Pedestrian crossings**

- Create uniform and recognizable pedestrian crossings.
- Use high profile crossing signals at major crossings.

### **On street bikeways**

- Implement on street bikeways as a way for rapid incorporation of bike pathways.
- Expand roadways to incorporate bike lanes on roads that have enough space.
  - Most major arteries are capable of handling bike lanes within the district.
- Use of colored bike lanes would identify lanes and create instant awareness of initiative.



Trail next to roadway in St. George

### **Pedestrian facilities**

- Update sidewalks on major roadways.
- Install medians and refuge areas for crosswalks on major arteries.
- Install sidewalks on smaller roads where needed.
- Develop guidelines for coherent, consistent bike parking areas.
  - District should buy in bulk to provide savings.
  - Incorporate local businesses on purchasing opportunities to encourage placement of bike racks.
- Provide lights at major trailheads.

### **Soft-surface paths**

- Develop pathways within district.
  - Develop shallow grade connectors to encourage learning of soft surface travel.
  - Develop steeper grade opportunities to allow close proximity recreation activities.

### **Education, encouragement and enforcement**

- Develop a district wide trails map.
- Embrace traveling bike community and encourage events and activities that would bring people from outside the community in.
- Work with schools to develop safe trails for children of surrounding communities to use.
- Incorporate community support in programs to support trails and trail building.
  - Adopt a trail program.
  - Sponsorship of trailhead facilities.
- Incorporate land easement strategies with land management procedures to encourage trails development.

### **Accessibility**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to trail areas.

- Develop ADA focused trails.
  - Conservation areas are good candidates for these trails.
  - The multi-use trails within the district can also function as ADA accessible trails.
  - Use UTAP (Universal Trails Assessment Process) to identify and remedy issues.

### **Signage**

- Signage on all areas minimal and should employ a uniform application of signs to promote responsible trail use.



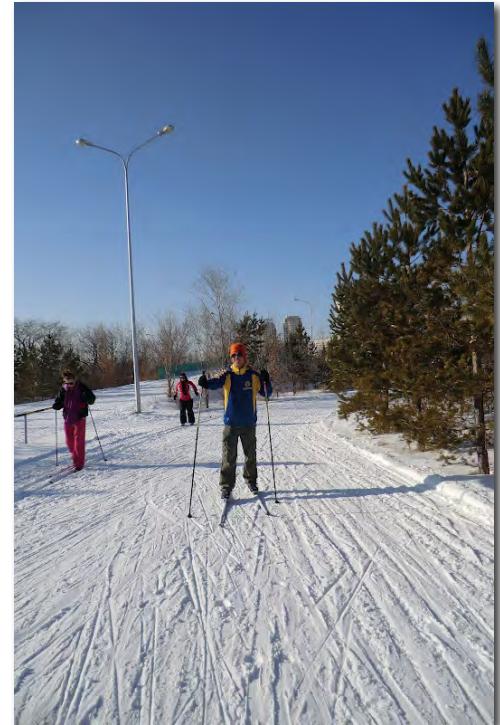
Signage next to river in St. George

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Provide (1) Trails system.

### **Notes**

- Remember the Maine Park seems an ideal trailhead with ample parking, facilities and natural environment. It could easily link to the Dry Fork Canyon area given the right permissions. It could also connect to trails leading to and from the Vernal area.
- These are just a snippet of what could be incorporated into a larger plan for the trails systems within the Uintah Recreation District. A separate study should be instituted dedicated to trails to discover the needs within the community.
- The mountain bike trail system in URD bounds is growing in popularity and notoriety. Further efforts to grow this economic engine should be encouraged. These trails can also tie into the trail system within the Vernal area
- Many trails are available just outside the district's jurisdiction, on national forest and BLM land. OHV and Snowmobile traffic is already high. Coordination with those bodies will help to build a better trail system outside of district limits.



Trails also function in the winter

Trails

## A few local trailheads

### **McCoy Flats Trailhead:**

#### Access

- Surface Type: Dirt Parking Lot
- Surface Condition: Good
- Drainage: Surface drainage sloping to west
- Size/#Stalls: 265'x160', 39,751 SF, 76 stalls defined
- ADA Accessibility: (0) stalls defined
- Lighting: (0) lights
- Landscaping: Fence surrounding lot
- Other: grate separating parking area from trail access

#### Site Furnishings

- New Pavilion
- Picnic Tables
- New Fenced in Parking Area

#### Facilities

- Open Pit restroom

### **Red Fleet Trailhead:**

#### Access

- Surface Type: Dirt
- Surface Condition: Undeveloped
- Drainage: Surface drains in many directions
- Size/#Stalls: not marked
- ADA Accessibility: (0) stalls defined
- Lighting: (0) lights
- Landscaping: none
- Other: Parking lot is on undeveloped natural grade, parking available as visitors see fit.

#### Site Furnishings

- Rudimentary Parking Area
- Some updated trail markers

#### Facilities

- None

### **Dry Fork Canyon Trailhead(s):**

#### Access

- Surface Type: Dirt Parking Lot
- Surface Condition: Average to Good
- Size/#Stalls: Varied, not marked
- ADA Accessibility: (0) stalls defined
- Lighting: (0) lights
- Landscaping: Natural
- Other: There are 3 designated trailheads of varied size and amenity. More trailheads on road are on National Forest land

#### Site Furnishings

- New Pavilion
- Picnic Tables
- New Fenced in Parking Area

#### Facilities

- Designated camping spots are located next to road with fire pits and picnic tables
- Bathrooms are located at National Forest trailheads

## Funds acquisition for trails

### **Recreation Trails Program**

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) provides funds annually for recreational trails and trails-related projects. The RTP is administered at the federal level by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

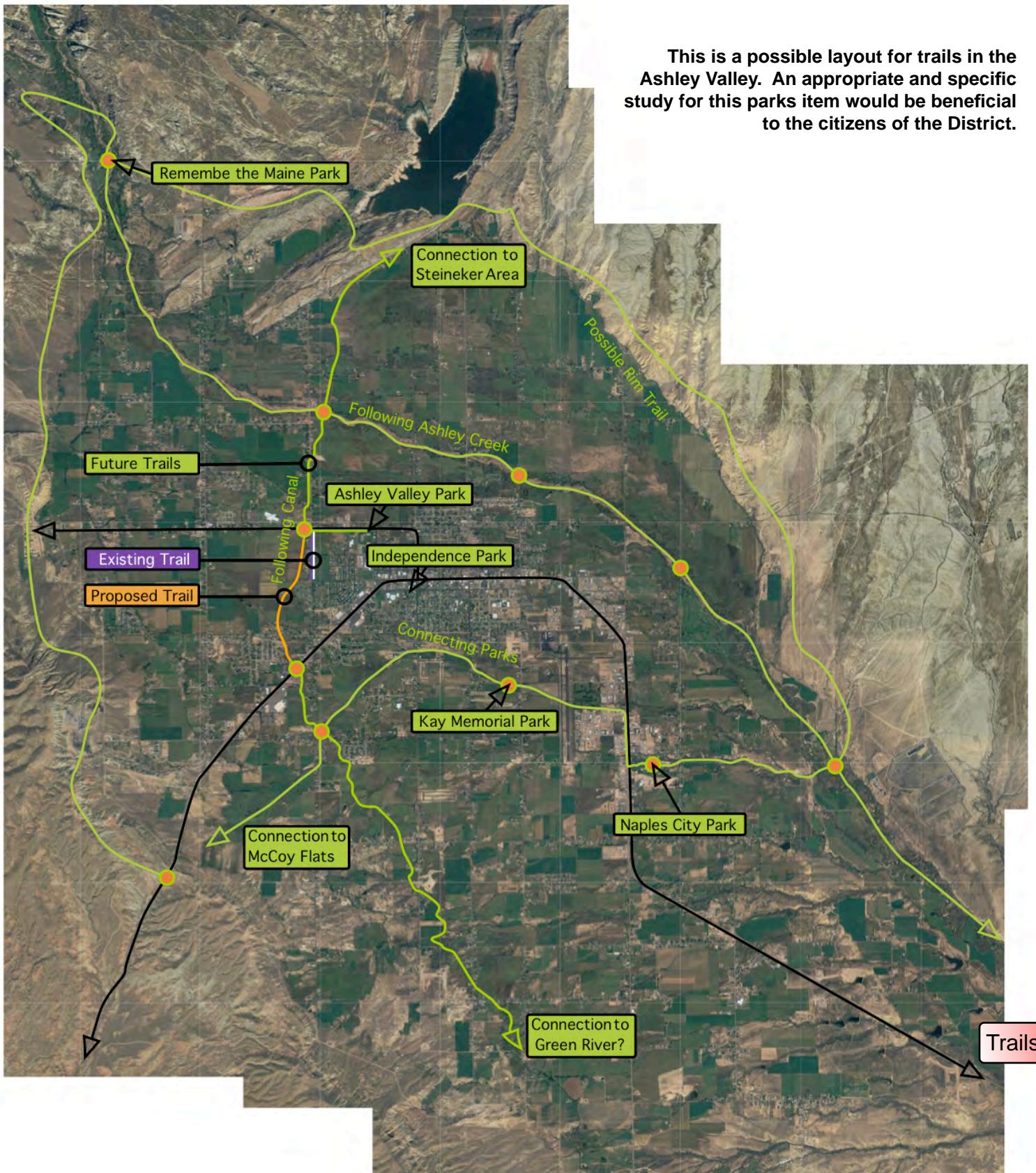
[http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational\\_trails/index.cfm](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational_trails/index.cfm)

### **American Greenways Program**

Administered by The Conservation Fund, the American Greenways Program provides funding for the planning and design of greenways.

[http://www.conservationfund.org/kodak\\_awards](http://www.conservationfund.org/kodak_awards)

This is a possible layout for trails in the Ashley Valley. An appropriate and specific study for this parks item would be beneficial to the citizens of the District.





## TRIDELL PARK

Tridell park is one of the more northerly parks in the system situated in a rural area at the base of the Uintah Mountain range. This park is very large for the community it serves. It does however see capacity from time to time. The residents of the area are very happy with the park and very interested in seeing it become an even better place.

### **General Information**

Park Classification: Neighborhood Park Rural

Location: Tridell

Size: 3.6 acres

Expansion: With purchasing could develop to east and southeast of property.

Owner: Uintah County

Weekly Maintenance: Uintah Recreation District

### **Existing Conditions**

A gem of a park located in a remote location of the county. Irrigation is dependent on the water flow of the creek, sometimes leaving the grass a little less green. This is a basic park with green grass and plenty of room to play.

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## Response to Previous Master Plan Recommendations

Master Plan Recommendations	Response to Recommendations
<b>ADA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accessibility has not been improved.</li> </ul>
<b>Park Acreage Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No new acreage needed.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No acreage added.</li> </ul>
<b>NRPA Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide (1) full size basketball court.</li> <li>Upgrade (1) baseball/softball field with new backstop and skinned infield.</li> <li>Add 1500 lf trail around park.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No new basketball court though the church has a backboard in it's parking lot adjacent to the park.</li> <li>No upgrades to ball field.</li> <li>No new trail added.</li> </ul>
<b>Survey Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve ADA access to restrooms. Update with new paint.</li> <li>Add (1) light in parking lot. Add (15) lights to proposed trail.</li> <li>Update (1) drinking fountain.</li> <li>Add (5) trees throughout the park.</li> <li>Add (3) benches at playground.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Major improvements not verified.</li> <li>No new lights.</li> <li>Drinking fountain not updated.</li> <li>No trees added.</li> <li>No benches added.</li> </ul>
<b>Other Recommendations</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Re-pave and re-stripe 19,200 SF of parking lots.</li> <li>Add walks.</li> <li>Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.</li> <li>Improve horseshoe pits.</li> <li>Replace swings and climber.</li> <li>Update 420 lf of wire fencing with chain link.</li> <li>Add (1) trash receptacle near playground.</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgrade pavilion aesthetics.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <p>Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parking lot re-paved, not re-striped.</li> <li>No walks added.</li> <li>No picnic tables added throughout park.</li> <li>Horseshoe pits not improved.</li> <li>Swings and Climber have been replaced with new swings and playground equipment.</li> <li>Wire fence not improved.</li> <li>Trash receptacle not added.</li> </ul> <p>Architecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aesthetics not improved on old pavilion but new pavilion is improved by nature of it's age.</li> </ul>
<b>Notes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There needs to be a strong paved and landscaped relationship between the parking lot, the playground, pavilion and basketball court. This needs to tie into the trail around the park.</li> </ul>	<b>RESPONSE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No relationship determined.</li> </ul>

COLOR LEGEND					
BLUE	Implemented	RED	Not implemented or insufficiently addressed	GREY	Not relevant due to other changes

## 2012 Site Notes

### Recreation

- A ball field is available but not delineated. A volleyball court exists and functions but the hardware needs updating. Soccer goal posts are aging but sufficient. There is plenty of lawn space to accommodate activities that residents may want to play, such as frisbee, football or any other lawn game. The space will have to be marked by those participants as they play.

### Pavilions

- The old pavilion is structurally sound though the concrete underneath it does not drain well and leaves a standing puddle near the south end. A new pavilion provides extra space, has electricity and is in good condition. The electric to the new pavilion looks as though an edge trimmer or mower has broken the conduit. A more permanent hookup is recommended.

### Grounds

- No new sidewalks or connections from parking to park have been constructed. There are many places that could benefit from a bench or two.

### Landscaping

- The amount of green space is large and well tended. Trees buffer the East end of the park from the properties behind. This in itself is pleasant but opportunities for landscaping are large.

## Amenity Inventory

### Access

#### Parking

- Surface Type: Asphalt.
- Surface Condition: Good.
- Drainage: Site is essentially flat with some slope from the northeast to the southwest.
- Size/#Stalls: 165'x100', 19,200 SF, no striping.
- ADA Accessibility: no dedicated stalls but access to large pavilion.
- Lighting: (1) at northwest corner of fire station. Both pavilions have lighting.
- Landscaping: None.

Sidewalks: None.

Signs: None.

### Utilities

- Water: To fire station and spigots by pavilion.
- Sewer: From fire station.
- Storm: None.
- Electrical: To fire station and pavilions.
- Gas:

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### Site Furnishings

- Drinking Fountain: (1) by pavilion in average condition but not functioning.
- Spigots: (1) by pavilion in fair condition.
- Fencing: 360 LF of 3' tall chain link fencing against church property, 420 LF against east property is barbed wire.
- Benches: (1) by playground (1) by trees on east side of park.
- Tables: (12) located within the pavilion.
- Trash receptacles: (2) standard city/county receptacles near pavilion.

- Fire Pit: None.
- BBQ: (1) grills by pavilion.
- Flagpole: (1) at fire station.
- Bike Racks: None.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

### **Playground/Exercise Equipment**

#### **Playground**

- Playground Equipment: 5000 SF of play area with old and new equipment. (2) toddler swings, (4) standard swings, (1) climber (1) small play set.
- Playground Surfacing: Wood chip.
- Playground age: Small play set is new, other equipment is dated.
- ADA: Aside from playground transfer station, no means of accessing equipment nor is equipment ADA accessible.



#### **Landscaping**

##### **Landscape:**

- Berms/Landforms: Within site there is little elevation change.
- Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover: None.
- Lawn: 3 acres in good condition.
- Trees: (16) poplars along north and west sides of park.

##### **Irrigation:**

- Source: Comes from local ditch with (4) separately filtered supply lines. 2" gravity fed line.
- Control System: Electric valves with controller inside maintenance shed.
- Irrigation Type: Secondary irrigation water.
- Notes:



#### **Recreation**

- Ball Field: (1) with old backstop and no defined infield.
- Soccerfield: None defined.
- Football Field: None defined.
- Horseshoe Pits: (2) poorly defined pits.
- Basketball: None.
- Volleyball: (1) with old posts and sand court.
- ADA: Not accommodated.

#### **Facilities**

##### **Restrooms:**

- Construction Type: Part of existing steel fire station.
- Size: 130 SF.
- Mens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.
- Womens: (2) stalls, (1) sink.
- Condition: Structurally sound, old but in good condition.
- Storage/Utility Room:
- Utilities:
  - Water:

- Sewer:
- Power:
- ADA: Not fully accommodated.
- Notes:

Large Pavilion:

- Construction Type: Metal frame and roof.
- Size: 1,500 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, dated painting.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.



Small Pavilion:

- Construction Type: Metal frame and roof.
- Size: 500 SF.
- Condition: Structurally sound, new.
  - Electric has been damaged.
- Storage/Utility Room: None.
- Utilities:
  - Water: None.
  - Sewer: None.
  - Power: None.
- ADA: Not accommodated.



**Special Use Facilities**

- Fire Station

**Results from 2011 Survey**

Please rate the amenities at the Tridell Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.			
	1-Poor	2-Adequate	3-Excellent
<b>Playground</b>	9.8% (4)	<b>51.2% (21)</b>	39.0% (16)
<b>Restrooms</b>	<b>52.4% (22)</b>	45.2% (19)	2.4% (1)
<b>Maintenance</b>	17.1% (7)	<b>63.4% (26)</b>	19.5% (8)
<b>Athletic fields</b>	19.5% (8)	<b>68.3% (28)</b>	12.2% (5)
<b>Pavilions</b>	14.6% (6)	<b>58.5% (24)</b>	26.8% (11)
<b>Parking</b>	9.8% (4)	<b>51.2% (21)</b>	39.0% (16)

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## Recommended Improvements

### **ADA Recommendations**

- Update accessibility for parking and sidewalks to pavilion, playground and other services.

### **Park Acreage Recommendations**

- No new acreage needed.
- Acreage to south and To east could be negotiated for and if the price is right should be taken advantage of.
  - This would give the park unrestricted creek access.

### **NRPA Recommendations**

- Provide (1) full size basketball court.
- Upgrade (1) baseball/softball field with new backstop and skinned infield.
- Add 1500 lf trail around park.
- Add bouldering section to playground.

### **Survey Recommendations**

- Improve ADA access to restrooms. Update with new paint.
- Improve restrooms in general.
- Add (2) lights in parking lot. Add (15) lights to proposed trail.
- Update (1) drinking fountain.
- Add (25) trees throughout the park.
- Add (3) benches at playground, (5) along trail.

### **Other Recommendations**

#### Site

- Re-stripe 19,200 SF of parking lots.
- Add walks.
- Add (5) picnic tables throughout park.
- Add (4) picnic tables to the smaller pavilion.
- Improve horseshoe pits.
- Update 420 lf of wire fencing with chain link.
- Add (1) trash receptacle near playground.
- Keep site clean from branches off of large trees on east section.

#### Architecture

- Upgrade pavilion aesthetics.
- Address wiring issue into the smaller pavilion.

#### Notes

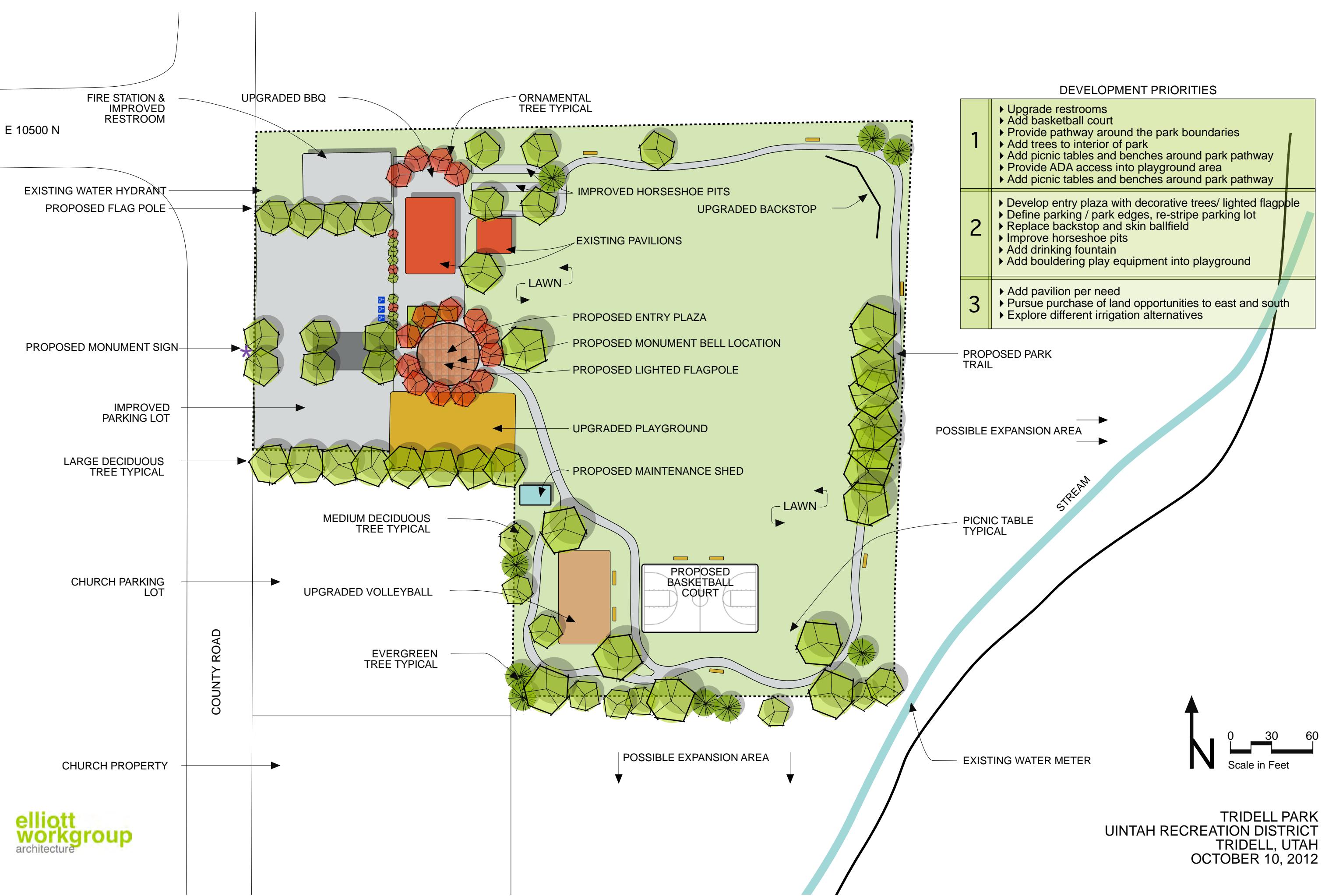
- There needs to be a strong paved and landscaped relationship between the parking lot, the playground, pavilion and basketball court. This needs to tie into the trail around the park.

## Priorities

1	<p>Upgrade restrooms.</p> <p>Add basketball court.</p> <p>Add trees to interior of park.</p> <p>Provide pathway around the park boundaries.</p> <p>Add ADA access to playground.</p> <p>Add picnic tables and benches around park pathway.</p>
2	<p>Develop entry plaza with decorative trees/ lighted flagpole.</p> <p>Define parking / park edges, re-stripe.</p> <p>Replace backstop and skin ballfield.</p> <p>Improve horseshoe pits.</p> <p>Add drinking fountain.</p> <p>Add bouldering play equipment into playground.</p>
3	<p>Add pavilion per need.</p> <p>Pursue purchase of land opportunities to east and south.</p> <p>Explore different irrigation alternatives.</p>

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Each inventoried park received consideration of improvements based upon the analysis section (Section 3, see Section 5, Parks for specific parks recommendations). Needs are based upon NRPA guidelines, state surveys, Uintah County surveys, comparisons with other studies, recreation needs and geographic considerations.

## **Park Development**

A typical park development process would include the following:

- **Programming**
- Conceptual Design
- Public Input
- Cost Estimating
- Design Development
- Cost Estimating
- Construction Documents
- Cost Estimating
- Bid Administration
- Construction Administration
- Project Closeout

As far as this master plan goes, recommendations in section 5, Parks, are given as **programming** guidelines. URD should then follow the remainder of the development process as outlined above to promote the most effective park implementation.

The Alvin and Virginia Kay Memorial Park has already gone through the process of programming, though it may benefit from a re-program process now that the new Community Center has been constructed.

## **Americans with Disabilities Act**

This significant piece of legislation has had a broad range of impacts on development standards. In terms of liability and universal accessibility it is important that these standards are implemented by governing bodies. While there are some exceptions, typical to the county park system is a deficiency of ADA access from parking to play. Perhaps one of the most obvious deficiencies is the fact that playground equipment cannot be accessed.

## **Park Acreage**

As discussed in the analysis section, adding additional park acreage may be difficult to justify knowing that the County is closely matching short term and long-term demand. Additional acreage that is added might be used to fill gaps in neighborhood park supply or accommodate specific recreation demands not met as part of these recommendations.

Given the abundance of mineral lease revenue, land that represents a good deal should be considered seriously. Volatile population growth will eventually place strain on the parks system so acquisitions should be considered now. Further consideration should also be placed on acquiring land and pursuing easements in potential trail corridors. This job has proven difficult in the past and will only become more difficult as development increases.

### **Recreation Amenities**

With regards to NRPA recommended activities and survey feedback, URD has considered the following issues:

- Although they appear to be in short supply throughout the County, it seems to make sense to consolidate tennis court construction into select locations because of the cost of developing them. They are far less expensive to develop if placed together. The exception is the recommendation to build in Ballard.
- By comparison, although not as deficient by NRPA standards as tennis courts, basketball courts with a cheaper construction and a greater county usage should be installed at various parks throughout the county to serve that perceived need. Parks receiving consideration for new basketball courts include: City/County, Kay Memorial, Naples, Remember the Maine and Tridell.
- Community-wide trail development is one of the biggest areas demanded in the public surveys. While some trail development can take place within the existing park acreage, serious consideration should be given to developing trails that meet the community's broader scale demands.
- The Golf course offers a unique amenity to local residents and travelers alike. It is a part of the future economic engine in the recreation industry that is growing in the Uintah Basin. Care and maintenance should be given more priority in order to keep this facility running in an efficient manner.

### **Non-traditional Recreation Amenities**

While a great deal of effort has been conducted to place amenities within the existing park system, some demands mentioned in the public survey have not found a home. For instance Frisbee Golf as an activity did not seem appropriate for inclusion in any of the existing parks. However there may be room in the expansion of Kay Memorial park to help with inclusion of these non-traditional amenities. Other amenities that worth considering include: a community garden, a dog park, a skateboard park, a fishing pond, natural or grassed amphitheater for outdoor concerts and events.

## Additional Facilities

With regards to facilities not discussed in the NRPA guidelines URD is making the following recommendations.

- A multi-court indoor facility capable of absorbing capacity that is being dispersed to many odd facilities in the community. Given that the new community center is already above capacity in terms of housing prescribed activities, the new facility should be in close proximity to the new Community Center. Racquetball has ranked high amongst many. Creating indoor spaces that function as well as outdoor spaces will help continue activities through the winter months and provide consistent exercise and well being of residents
- Lighting will be added at each park to provide security. Special consideration will be given to parking and path areas not only in terms of getting a minimal footcandle light coverage, but also in terms of how new lights might affect neighbors. Consideration should be given to limiting light pollution, introducing or following a Night sky ordinance. When detail master planning parks, neighbors need to be consulted on design as lights can be a significant issue turning into a political hot-button.
- Drinking fountains, support facilities such as pavilions, benches, barbecues and trees are to be added, updated, pruned or removed from each park.
- To build or not build a public outdoor pool is a constant topic of conversation. The main objection to building a new pool is the fact that there is an existing public outdoor pool located on Highway 40. This pool has a history of being in and out of business and was closed during the times of this update, when temperatures were plenty warm. More investigation into this option is recommended.
- Restrooms at several of the parks are in disrepair. Upgrading or adding more of these facilities will be necessary soon. ADA compliance is an important component to include with this amenity.

## Other Recommendations

Additional items that should be considered throughout the park system include but not limited to:

- Bike racks. While bike racks don't make users ride to the park, they do encourage alternative transportation potentially lessening the size of parking lots as well as accommodating healthier environments.
- Pet Fecal Dispensers. Proper placement of pet fecal dispensers will help users be more conscientious of their surroundings and assist in the maintenance of the park. They should be placed in accessible locations already serviced by Park personnel. One location might be adjacent to trash receptacles.

- Decorative fencing. Fencing marks park boundaries and provides a safety barrier when parks border streets or bodies of water. These may include literal fences or more visual fences such as a line of shrubs or low vegetation.
- Incorporate UBRD into land and building decisions and contracts. Tying development to the parks system has been discussed in many of the cities and areas within the district. Each area is unique in its needs and desires, but a common goal of providing ample recreation space and maintenance of that space should be put forth. Code based methods requiring open space appropriations is a streamlined and simple way to ensure inclusion of parks and recreation into new building projects.
- Monitoring. After adjusting for an increasing population in the District (much more so than previously documented), LOS levels should be monitored more diligently. Where by a large surplus of parks for residents (in city areas) was a given, it is now not as certain. **Checking population numbers every few years** as a simple metric would allow District administrators know whether or not they should address LOS levels and rate general performance of the district.

## Design, Construction and Maintenance

### **Building**

Generally speaking, the needs concerning building structures throughout the district focus on maintenance, repair, and meeting Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines. As can be expected, several of the structures within the parks have been abused and vandalized and need improvements including masonry repairs, paint touch-up, repair/replacement of doors and door hardware, and repair and replacement of electrical lighting fixtures.

Several of the structures are not in conformance with the ADA guidelines and require improvements. ADA improvements required include providing proper slopes at ramps, compliant handrails and guardrails, plumbing fixtures, grab bars, door swing clearances, and proper wheelchair turn around space. Upgrades should incorporate ADA guidelines as guiding principals to design.

### **Landscape**

Simplifying landscapes through consolidating planter beds, adding mowstrips, using native, drought tolerant plantings, and standardizing landscape and irrigation installations are all approaches that can lessen maintenance requirements. However, more maintenance should be performed on the overall park system in terms of cleaning, mowing, and fixing the parks. It is recommended that all park improvements are designed and constructed to minimize URD maintenance.

New construction should be designed by licensed landscape and irrigation professionals to insure the most technically and economically sound practices are used.

Urban Forestry should be taken seriously in the park system in that many of the existing trees are old and may need replacement. New tree plantings should be evaluated on a regular basis. Trees provide an aesthetic appeal to the parks, as well as valuable shade during hot months of the summer. Planting should be encouraged.

The Rainbird Maxicom central control irrigation system is running at the golf course and was considered for Independence Park. This type of automated irrigation system is a very effective tool in managing water use. It is also a very expensive tool, so implementation should be carefully considered in terms of return on investment. Newer iterations will no doubt have more benefits and features.

## **Park Identity**

Park identity is not addressed in detail as part of this master plan, but using lessons learned in the Lapoint park with the development of the Kay Memorial Park Property can be used as a standard by which the County develops the remainder of its parks. Ultimately development of a county park identity will make the park system stand out as a unique and vibrant component of the community fabric.

Many elements can add to the park system's identity such as lighted signage, pavilion design, use of standard materials and construction, park themes, maintenance, etc. These elements should be standardized as discussed in the previous section and aesthetically designed to provide the most comfort for users.

Currently, existing park elements don't relate well together within their respective parks and care needs to be taken to renovate them or construct them as per well-developed master plans. We are taking the first step to achieving that goal through defining elements in this Master Plan.

## **Global Strategies**

Technology should be investigated with each upgrade or improvement in the District. Examples would be:

- An automated irrigation system for multiple parks tied to a central server. This would help save the cost of water and conserve water itself. Water will be an increasingly sensitive subject moving into the future.
- Smart lighting systems can greatly reduce costs of maintenance and energy. This includes timers, light sensors and new lighting technology that can reduce energy usage by a factor of many times.

Sustainability is something that needs to be addressed on some level. Currently, the Uintah Basin is benefitting from a large scale oil and gas expansion. Indeed this is a major funding source for many parks in the area. At some point in the future, which may be quite a few years, this source of funding will recede and the parks will need to function on their own. Sustainable examples could include:

- Using concrete instead of Asphalt in parking areas to reduce heat island effects and gain a more durable and long lasting surface.
- For low electric usage, solar installations can eliminate the need for energy infrastructure, i.e. lights and fans in restrooms, especially in more remote areas.
- Add more recycling stations. They are either not easily found or are not found at all. Adding more receptacles and encouraging education in this realm could help to reduce waste.

- Construct future facilities with sustainable options such as fly-ash concrete, green roofs and grey water recycling for toilet water use. A strong effort in this direction could equate to a strong marketing tool for the parks district.
- Plant more trees. Trees provide shade, cooling the areas they cover. They absorb pollution in the air, improving the air quality for everyone. Trees take long periods of time to grow, so the need to plant them now is necessary to pass the benefits to the next generation. Parks have the greatest ability to impact the tree density of a region.
- Low water landscapes to limit water consumption.
- With the implementation of the above measures and others not mentioned, comes a sense of community. Many measures take a group effort to accomplish. And when goals are reached, an entire community can take the credit. This positive feedback loop encourages behaviors moving forward and in itself becomes sustainable and widespread.

## Priorities

### **1 Upgrade Dinaland Golf Course**

- Assess irrigation system and decide on a long term solution
- Discuss arrangements of holes and how to upgrade the play and status of the course in doing so.
- Discuss future plans for the clubhouse to become more than a place to eat. Servicing conventions, parties and expanded locker rooms are a few simple ideas.
- Incorporate new programs to encourage youth and adult involvement in the sport and golf course itself.

### **2 Incorporate a Trails philosophy into Recreation planning.**

- A central trail system is the circulatory system of a community. Vernal has potential for a thorough and interconnected trail network. We recommend a revisit to the concept of a county-wide trail that follows the main service canal.
- Many separate entities must be stitched together in order to create a coherent trails system and this should be addressed in the near term.
- Neighborhoods and communities can be connected, promoting health and wellness amongst its residents. Especially if the idea of exercise equipment along trails is introduced.
- Easements and access have been a problem in the past and will continue to be in the future, but accommodations should be made by both residents and the city or county to make things happen.
- County Land Use Plan recommends limited usage of flood plain areas that include much of the Ashley Creek Corridor. This area is ideal for a trail area that can withstand periodic flooding.
- Hiring a full time person for trails advocacy and maintenance for both urban and rural trails would be beneficial.

<b>3</b>	<b>Field house - expand Recreation facilities to include space for indoor court activities</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments from open house suggest a severe shortage in capacity to hold events such as volleyball, basketball, indoor soccer, tennis and indoor walking/jogging</li> <li>• Tennis has been an item that hasn't been addressed and could be included in a fieldhouse facility</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Water amenity</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Given that the public pool is constantly changing hands and that the pool at the Community Center is indoors, it is recommended that a water amenity be developed in an outdoor area, likely by the existing pool at the community center. This could be an additional pool, or a splash pad.</li> <li>• Growing populations will further validate this pursuit. LOS levels are approaching the need for another swimming area already.</li> </ul>
<b>5</b>	<b>Bike and Skate Park</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The existing park is built on an old tennis court area. The components that make up the park are adequate but aging and if not dangerous now, will be soon due to degradation. A concrete park system would be much safer and entail much less maintenance.</li> <li>• A small but energetic segment of the community will more than likely populate the park initially, with more people following their lead.</li> </ul>
<b>6</b>	<b>Identify areas for conservation.</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wetlands that are sensitive to development pressures should be identified and inventoried with conservation in mind. As people move out from the city center and as the Uintah Basin grows as a region, these areas which may have gone unnoticed will now be under pressure to accommodate building and/or recreation. These areas serve as vital and important habitats and areas of respite for residents.</li> <li>• They also fall under the Ponds and Conservations areas categories under NRPA guidelines, further adding to the park inventory.</li> </ul>

## **IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES**

## Implementation Strategies

On an individual basis, park implementation should follow the approach described in Section 5 Recommendations.

On a broader scale and continuing basis there are five major areas of emphasis that should be considered to encourage conscientious development of parks and open space. They are:

- Land Use Controls
- Political Review
- Bargaining
- Cooperation
- Citizen Involvement

Within this section are listed potential funding sources the URD can use to accomplish its goals and provide a checklist that can be used in the planning of individual parks. For those with questions on these processes we have provided informational resources following the park planning checklist.

As a general rule any development agreements that are made should protect any investments that URD transacts.

### Land Use Controls

Some of the greatest influences on development of parks throughout the county come from land planning ordinances. These include local zoning ordinances as well as statewide planning efforts.

#### Local zoning

Successful implementation of this plan should be tied into any city or Uintah County planning ordinances.

With strong development codes, developers can be encouraged and required to include parks and open space as a part of their developments.

During plan review processes developers can be asked through exactions to develop parks and open space. Another method to use would require developers to pay impact fees which can be then used to develop parks and open space.

#### Statewide planning

With the growing Utah population, open space preservation is a hot topic. Through the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget land planning efforts are coordinated through groups including the Quality Growth Commission. The Commission provides legislative recommendations to the state on land planning issues. Recommendations derived from their activities also may affect Uintah County park development.

### Political Review

On a broad scale it is vital that politicians understand the importance of parks and open space. This understanding can then translate to creation of sound land-use controls as mentioned above.

Politicians and government entities should also be actively engaged in acquiring land to meet defined park and open space goals.

With regards to specific parks, governing bodies of the parks need to be integrally involved in individual-park planning processes to help alert planners to obstacles as well strengthen community support.

### Bargaining

One of the common planning methods of encouraging park and open space development is through transferring of development rights. This concept provides a means of compensating owners for regulatory restrictions that may reduce property values.

Green space whether it be parks or dedicated open space, more often than not increases adjoining property's values. This should be stressed when talking to private or public landholders.

### Cooperation

With so many different entities affected by the URD, it may be beneficial to increase general community participation or at least increase advertising of URD activities.

URD should participate in any future planning efforts. For instance communication has already taken place between this planning team and the team working on the new County General Plan.

URD should enhance communications with federal agencies and capitalize on the many natural recreation opportunities federal lands can offer, especially given the proximity to accessible federal lands.

Communicating with the Utah State University could have very rewarding benefits. A higher education institution has access to funds and ideas that could greatly forward progress of initiatives.

## Citizen Involvement

One of the most significant efforts in creation of the master plan is community involvement. To achieve the greatest degree of community ownership, citizen groups should be regularly included from a planning standpoint and through maintenance. Of special note it is important that the URD improves its communication with county entities as well as the Uintah and Ouray Indian reservation.

Occasional surveys would provide a snapshot in time and can greatly inform specific questions that the URD may have. It also informs future decisions and is helpful when updating the master plan. Keeping an open line of communication through comment cards or through a website that collects comments would leave the door open for the community to be involved.

## Potential Funding Sources

This document is an outgrowth of the Permanent Community Impact Fund, which fund will continue to support park development in Uintah County, but there are many other significant funding sources, which can aid the county in park creation.

One obvious avenue of park funding is through local community donations of time and money. Groups such as the Boy Scouts of America and the Kiwanis Club have actively provided time for the enhancement of URD parks. Religious groups have actively participated in cleaning up and enhancing parks. Already the URD has been deeded land through generous local donations. The importance of community involvement through time and money cannot be overstated.

Existing local groups are priceless in terms of their potential affect on park success. Groups such as Gun Clubs and Garden Clubs put their vested interests to work and create ownership that will last beyond the initial implementation. In addition to local support, the State has many funding sources available for further implementation of parks and recreation related activities. They are more fully described in the Utah Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan of 2009, but provided is a brief synopsis here. The entire plan can be found at:

[static.stateparks.utah.gov/plans/09SCORPFinal\\_1-27-09.pdf](http://static.stateparks.utah.gov/plans/09SCORPFinal_1-27-09.pdf)

or asked for through:

UTAH STATE PARKS  
1594 West North Temple  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114  
(801) 538-7220  
[parkcomment@utah.gov](mailto:parkcomment@utah.gov)

### **Available funding sources include:**

#### **Land and Water Conservation Fund:**

These are federal monies administered by the state funded through off-shore oil and gas revenues. Communities can apply for these funds through a competitive application process.

<http://www.stateparks.utah.gov/grants/land-water>

#### Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program

RTCA coordinators give local organizations and governments the tools to collaboratively preserve open space, conserve rivers and develop greenways and trails.

[http://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/rtca/contactus/cu\\_apply.html](http://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/rtca/contactus/cu_apply.html)

#### Recreational Trails Program

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is an assistance program through the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) that is administered by the Division. RTP was authorized by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA), which established the Recreational Trails Funding Program and the Recreational Trails Trust Fund. ISTE requires that revenues from motor fuel taxes generated from the sale of fuel for off-highway vehicle recreational purposes be transferred to the Trails Trust Fund from the Highway Trust Fund in order to provide for both motorized and non-motorized recreational trail and facility improvements

<http://www.stateparks.utah.gov/grants/rectrails>

#### Off-Highway Vehicle Fund:

The state administers these federal funds for development of both motorized and non-motorized trails. Non-Motorized Trails Program: This program provides 50:50 grants from state and federal funds that could supplement Uintah County community matching funds. These grants are competitively bid on and prioritized for trail plans grown out of public support, providing connectivity to water sources, allowing for multiple uses, encouraging long-season use and planned for communities that have demonstrated successful maintenance programs. Proposed trails are selected based on growth projects, community need and past performance.

<http://www.stateparks.utah.gov/grants/ohv>

#### LeRay McAllister Fund:

The LeRay McAllister Critical Land Conservation Fund is a state program administered by the Utah Quality Growth Commission and the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget. Its goal is to protect open lands that are critical to recreation, scenery, historic preservation, agriculture, water quality, wildlife habitat and wetlands. The Fund is an incentive program that provides grants that encourage collaborative conservation efforts between communities and landowners.

<http://www.governor.state.ut.us/Planning/leraymcallister.htm>

#### American Greenways Program

Administered by The Conservation Fund, the American Greenways Program provides funding for the planning and design of greenways.

[http://www.conservationfund.org/kodak\\_awards](http://www.conservationfund.org/kodak_awards)

#### Wallop-Breaux:

This program is an extension of the Sport Fish Restoration Act Amendments signed in 1950 and dedicated to funding boating facilities and amenities ranging from marinas to restrooms

In the development of parks and open space throughout Uintah County, the URD should enhance its use of local resources as well as state and federal resources to leverage even greater park development.



## **FUTURE PLANNING**

## Amendments

Knowing that change is constant and that inflexible planning documents get broken and then discarded, this section suggests areas that should be considered for plan amendments. Indeed this update is a plan amendment. These amendments will help to strengthen the document making it viable for years to come. Future planning and amendments should be scheduled at regular intervals or as needs require it.

Ultimately, it is the planning team's goal to have this plan and its amendments directing all parks and recreation activities and thus provide continuity to recreation district decisions.

## Park Planning

Amendments should consider taking inventories of actual specific park amenity usage. We have a general idea of what is taking place in the county, but the usage of each amenity should be more clearly defined. Uintah Recreation District (URD) needs to create a method to regularly check park needs.

Inventoried amenities should include those listed in the analysis section. Additional public surveys should be conducted to determine the public's specific amenity usage. The District may explore an annual survey that people can depend on to voice their opinion. A comment section on URD's website would help deliver comments from the general public. Budget and time constraints limited evaluations for this document.

## Park Management

Several public surveys mentioned the need to address park maintenance. Restrooms remain high on the maintenance needs in certain parks. Future park planning amendments should consider defining general maintenance procedures.

While the planning team has worked hard to consider URD needs in the park designs, creation of a comprehensive maintenance guideline will provide continuity through future designs. On a broader scale, URD would benefit from creating a leadership plan, finance plan, human resource plan and many other pertinent avenues to be included in this document.

## Trails

Community-wide trail development has been included in this Master Plan update. The topic has been broached but careful planning and dedication of resources will be required to develop the trails system effectively. Trails are vital to healthy and people-friendly communities. They are a huge selling point in attracting residents who want to be a part of carefully planned neighborhoods.

## Federal Lands

A vast untapped recreational resource exists in the enhancement of connectivity to and use of local federal resources. Federal agencies are eager to work with local communities in development of trails and recreation activities and new section could be added to this Master Plan on that topic.

## APPENDICES

\*See previous Master Plan for older appendices

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## Public Meeting - May 16, 2012

The public meeting brought a variety of people in. Most of the people voicing their opinions did so in a positive manner looking at recreation opportunities with interest and excitement.

There were a few citizens that were concerned about water and unchecked spending.

Sentiments were voiced from people in the following categories, in no particular order:

**Volleyball** - It seems like everyone plays volleyball in Uintah County. The sand courts are well used, but people want a place to play in the winter time. This relates to the need of a multi-court facility

**Recreation trails** - This idea was expressed by a great many people, not perhaps as a main agenda item but as something that would work for all people, for a lot of different reasons. This subject has been around for a great long time being mentioned in many city and the Uintah County codes from 10 years back and more.

**Skate Bike park** - There was great excitement in the room for construction of a bike and skate park. The one that is in place now apparently gets a lot of use but is not up to par with other parks in the region. Proponents voiced opinions of a permanent concrete structure that would be more durable and more in line with local abilities.

**Frisbee Golf** - A great way of getting people out, this amenity can be placed in a lot of different places. It was mentioned in writing and verbally quite a few times.

**Dog Park** - A few acres would have to be dedicated to the dog park. This is worth investigating. The support for a dog park is at the very least, insistent.

**Tennis** - This seems to be an overlooked item that keeps coming up in surveys and research. Tennis courts would be a nice inclusion to the parks system. If replacement of the skate park were in order, recapturing that area for new tennis courts would be a less costly option.

**Community Garden** - Whether there were loud voices from a small segment or if there is indeed a deep want for a community garden should be looked into. It was definitely mentioned many times and could be a benefit to the community. Adding it to the Kay Memorial Park area would further cement the notion of this park being a community park

**Water Features** - Including a new public outdoor pool. Most seemed to agree that a pool was not necessarily needed given the short summer season. A splash park in addition to the one in Naples was generally deemed appropriate for the Community Center.

**Multi-court facilities** - There were many mentions of the shortage of court time for things like volleyball, basketball, indoor soccer and other indoor sports during the cold months of the winter. Constructing a facility like this may take strain off other facilities that are maxed out and not designed for what they are facilitating.

**Golf** - Golf is generally accepted as a community asset that should be preserved and kept up to date. Many people golf and those that don't seem to like the idea of it being part of the system, even with certain inherent issues.

**Racquetball** - probably the most repeated request. Also ranked high in surveys as a need for the district

**Expanded facilities for Community Center** - The great success has cramped a few people's styles. Overcrowding was noted for all activities in most parts of the building. Weightlifting and court sports seemed to be the center of this concern though, fueling the need for a multi-court facility.

51 people signed in and left contact information

87 comments were left

Comments can be seen at <http://uintahrecreation.blogspot.com/> (names and phone numbers have been omitted for sake of privacy)

## Comments from 05.16.2012 Meeting

- BOTANICAL GARDEN
- Maybe a small eatery place (so the workers can eat)
- please include a buffer space between park services and residential units.
- S.E.E.D. community garden to encourage healthy eating to go with healthy lifestyle
- We need a racquetball court!
- COMMUNITY GARDEN yes!
- DOG PARK--> yes! --> maybe at Kiwanis Park?
- keep it open space w.walking area w.garden + dog park
- A community garden is needed. Kids need to grow plants.
- Make the dance room & weight room larger, under the overhang
- Bike paths including bike lanes along roads
- I'm working on a Masters of Sport & PE and would like to get involved & help out please call Amber ---.-----
- We need a better bike park
- We need a fishing pond
- FOLF Course (Frisbee Golf)
- Raquetball Courts
- Community Garden! (Already established & would love a permanent spot)
- I think we really need a new cement skate park. We have a lot of talent & would appreciate it. A really cool Idea for it would be like the sandy salt lake skatepark combined with the draper utah skate park thank you for your time  
 kordel white
- I think we need a new skate park kind of like sandy salt lake city skate park
- Love the new additions to the baseball complex & the restrooms added to the KOA complex. the restrooms at the baseball complex could be updated with better running water & hand sanitizer.
- The next phase for the rec center should incorporate volleyball, basketball, tennis, racquetball. It could then be used to host evening events giving people in the community options & places to go instead of the common outings to the movies, bowling or walking around the walmart :)
- Dog Park! So dog owners can meet & their dogs can play. I moved here from a city that had several & I went regularly - great socialization for my new puppy. The Dog Park Group has been looking for property for years & I've lived here 5, so at least that long.
- Turn the sun bathing area (patio) into a splash park
- We need a dog park!!!
- Connect the Steinaker Trail across Hwy 40 & extend the trail north & south
- Larger child care.
- Bathroom upstairs in the rec center. Put a second story on the rec center above the child care & board room
- I would like to see racquetball courts and a larger weight room
- More racquetball courts & a larger childcare center.
- to promote people's increasing awareness of responsible pet ownership, reserve 5 acres of Kay property for a DOG PARK
- HOT TUB
- Where are re-cycling stations for plastic bottles? cans?
- I would love to see the bike park/ skate park moved over to the rec center for better surveillance. most of the problems I see with the bike park vandalism is because of poor location. I would also like to see a dirt jump park for the bikes. The cost of construction is

low and I believe it teaches the youth to work for their reward of riding because if they don't take care of ti and work on them then they won't be able to ride. I think a half acre to three quarters of an acre would be plenty of room and give the kids ample room and supervision that the current park is lacking. I have been a sponsored athlete in the past. I know what it takes to make it in this sport and it isn't easy I believe with the backing of the community that we have the talent in this town to make some stand out athletes. Also parks like these draw people in to the community helping the economy and improving tourism in our town. Vernal, UT is a huge community in biking with the single track trails. People would come here to ride as well if we had a quality park Thank you feel free to call me with any questions Joel LeFevre ---.----.

- My Name is Justin Zufelt (---) ---.----. I would love to see a dirt jump park for (bmx, Mountain Bikes) in our community. Also it would be nice if it was near or at the Rec Center. Good wholesome family fun and exercise! I would do anything I could to help make this happen. A new cement bike/skate park would be nice as well. The dirt park seems to me more acceptable quickly because of cost. Would be a good place to spend my Friday nights and weekends! I love this town & Community and have some talent when it comes to bikes help us make this happen Thank You! If there is anything I can do please ask I would be more than happy to help!
- Expand the weight room!!!
- Indoor sports complex
- more outdoor volleyball & tennis courts
- outdoor pool
- Community garden needs a permanent home. This would be a highly visible location & readily accessible to all. Many residents are not able to grow their own garden, but want fresh, local produce
- I would love to reserve the integrity of the water feature/stream running diagonally through this 79-acre property. Maybe a walking path on either side of the stream with periodic arched bridges? That would be so cool!
- I love the water features at SLC, Liberty Park. The model watershed play park & The water squirters in the playground
- MORE TREES !
- I love the mulch jogging trail & skating/biking (smooth) trail around the SLC Liberty Park trail
- ART installations
- MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC
- Rotary Park in MOAB has amazing musical instruments
- Trail System connecting parks & Existing trails
- \*2 acres for Community Garden please, please, please. We would love to be in a familiar, non private land. It would be wonderful to have a permanent location for us to use. Thank you
- Community Garden!
- TENNIS COURT
- RACQUET BALL
- FRISBEE GOLF
- DOG PARK!
- Community Garden!
- Frisbee golf course - we have to travel to Craig for frisbee golf now. Surely if Craig can put in a frisbee golf course, Vernal should be able to.
- I definitely think racquetball courts would be widely used. The nearest ones are in Roosevelt and there is only one court and is fairly busy
- Vernal is becoming more of a tourist area for many things including biking. I think it would be great to have some bike paths and walking paths. Vernal is beautiful and you could sure

case it better and create more memorable tourist trips if they could easily & beautifully see Vernal.

- Ditto/\ County wide bike/ run path that are separate from roads & not rock chipped. Racquetball & tennis.
- Hiking Trail system is extensive very fun
- Need racquetball courts and frisbee golf courses
- We need to use less water a golf course. How much water is used at golf? Too much! Look at water usage. Vernal has little/ no water left.
- Hiking trails could a ROW up dry fork canyon be obtained?
- outside BOULDERING ROCKS
- I think we need racquet ball courts
- racquetball & tennis courts
- racquet ball courts & sports complex indoor turf
- olympic lifting center
- racquetball courts, improved soccer fields
- Racquetball courts, and (PK)the KOA soccer Fields taken care of better
- Vernal Golf Course
- The best thing to happen to the golf course would be to reconsider the superintendent. The past 4 to 5 years since he has been there the course has been in the worst shape ever. I'm tired of it and it's not fun playing in a water park. The sprinklers are always on during the week and weekend during the day. Please get a new superintendent.
- Distribute funding throughout the community. Os there too much money and water going to the golf course?
- Put a trail alongside the golf course
- Revitalize the trail along the canal
- Plan bike paths across continuous corridors North and South through Vernal!
- I have heard from multiple sources that if there were indoor tennis & racquetball courts that they would purchase a membership to the community center.
- A fishing pond (Utah Fish and game has funds to build a fishing pond and will stock the pond for public use.
- We need a skate park. The children love to skate board, so many little towns have a skate board park, why not us?
- Community garden would be great and a good addition for Vernal
- Have a new bike park for people that ride. Because our bike park is all broke and we need a new one.
- We need a new bike park. Concrete would be better because it doesn't break as easy. We have a lot of talent and need a better park.
- We need a frisbee golf course!
- community garden, open park w/ lots of trees. Free splash park
- Dog park, skate park community garden
- corn maze (ha- Bluebell folks would not like this!)
- We will like a new bike park cause there's a lot of kids who ride bikes
- New skatepark!!
- It would be nice to have a permanent bike/skate concrete park in a location close to the rec center for oversite supervision
- Love the idea of providing outdoor recreation opportunities for all ages, as the present Rec Center does. To that end, skate park (kids), community garden (kids & adults), dog park (adults & kids), & other possibilities would blend well for LIFETIME enjoyment of outdoors. In other words, its not just about the sports!
- Would love a sports complex with racquetball courts.

- Would love a new skatepark/ bikepark. There are a lot of people that ride I think it would be a good thing for everyone. There's a lot of locals that would put in the time to help with dirtjumps as well. Jenent B. ---.---.--- [-----@excite.com](mailto:-----@excite.com)
- Gardens. Ponds for kids fishing. Bike/ Skate parks
- Soccer fields, tennis & raquetball, gardens, nice sand volleyball
- A frisbee golf course in Vernal would be awesome!
- Equestrian Path
- Tennis Courts
- a community garden would be a great Legacy for Vernal

## Public Meeting - June 13, 2012

This meeting was sparsely attended. By virtue of the venue being the golf course, comments were more prevalent in this regard. Eric Langvardt presenting concepts of re-orientation of course elements and parking lots. The additions of a junior learning golf area, with natural putting course were introduced. In general the concepts were very well received.

The Public (perhaps a dozen people) were very warm to the idea of changes, particularly the addition of amenities near the old hole 1 and the parking realignment.

Almost everyone talked about how people were parking on the street during the last tournament and how any renovation should include the expansion or realignment of parking amenities.

**Naples park** was mentioned to have a smelly section on northeast section by walking trail, mostly in the time of autumn. It was suggested to investigate this issue. Commentary on Naples park was essentially absent.

**Jensen park** was posted but garnered no commentary.

1 person signed in and left contact information

1 comment was left

Comments can be seen at <http://uintahrecreation.blogspot.com/> (names and phone numbers have been omitted for sake of privacy)

## Comments from 06.13.2012 Meeting

- Need more parking!!!
- Move the Entrance (of golf course).
- Buy the land to the South and extend the parking lot.
- In the Naples Park on the Southeast side drain the slough or do something else to it. It is really stinky.

## Public Meeting - August 8, 2012

This meeting was low in attendance but high in quality feedback. The people that did show up provided ample information. They also brought in viewpoints from other people in their communities, giving the feel of a larger attendance.

**Lapoint park** was not analyzed in depth due to current construction. There was mention of providing parking on the South end of the new park area and some interest in a fishing pond should the drainage area support one.

**Tridell park** had loyal followers, noting that on some days the pavilions were completely full. Owners of adjacent land were present and open to the idea of eventual sale of land bordering the park. This would bring the creek area into the scope of the park. Other topics discussed included: upgrade restrooms, upgrade barbecuing area and adding speakers to the pavilions. It was noted that while the parking lot is big and not landscaped, large trucks will sometimes use the ample space as a place to turn around.

**Avalon park** and community center had a few comments. One neighbor to the park said noted that a pavilion among the trees next to the parking lot was a constant want. He also said he would be happy to work through easement issues between the two properties. Also offered was the sale of some of their property if it would help the expansion of the park for community members to enjoy. All those present thought that a connection between the park and the rodeo grounds would be a great eventual outcome. In the short term, more green space in general, and trees needed to be added.

4 people signed in and left contact information

1 comment was left

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## Comments from 08.08.2012 Meeting

- Ponds for fishing, pickleball, Trails between parks, Rock climbing boulders, Frisbee golf, native plant garden.

## 2011 PHONE SURVEY

### Question #1

WELCOME! The Uintah Recreation District is always looking at improving recreation for the citizens of Uintah County. Your help is needed by taking a few minutes to answer the following questions. Please select one person in your household ages 18 or older to respond to this questionnaire. What is the age of the person filling out this questionnaire?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
18 - 29	31.8%	236
30 - 39	39.9%	296
40 - 49	14.6%	108
50 - 64	12.1%	90
65 years and older	1.5%	11
	answered question	741
	skipped question	0

### Question #2

Which of the following best describes your household?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Couple with no children (at home)	12.4%	90
Couple with children (family)	74.1%	538
Single person	5.9%	43
Single parent	3.7%	27
Two or more unrelated adults	0.4%	3
Two or more related adults	2.3%	17
Other (please specify)	1.1%	8
	answered question	726
	skipped question	15

### Question #3

How many members of your household are in the following groups? Please specify the NUMBER OF PEOPLE in EACH age group and remember to include yourself

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Under 5 years of age	44.6%	318
from 5 - 9	58.1%	414
from 10 - 14	41.5%	296
from 15 - 19	31.7%	226
from 20 - 29	37.7%	269
from 30 - 39	55.3%	394
from 40 - 49	31.3%	223
from 50 - 64	24.0%	171
65 years and older	9.5%	68
	answered question	713
	skipped question	28

## Question #4

How long have you lived in Uintah County?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
3 years or less	17.5%	124
4 - 6 years	13.7%	97
7 - 10 years	10.2%	72
11 - 14 years	8.5%	60
15+ years	50.1%	355
	answered question	708
	skipped question	33

## Question #5

How important are recreation services and park space to you and your quality of life?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Very important	61.9%	436
Important	34.9%	246
Less important	2.3%	16
Not important	0.3%	2
No opinion	0.6%	4
	answered question	704
	skipped question	37

## Question #6

How well do you feel each group is served by the Uintah Recreation District?

Answer Options	Very Well	Adequate	Under served	No opinion	Response Count
Preschoolers	201	260	73	140	674
Elementary youth	286	273	49	81	689
Middle school youth	253	244	47	137	681
Jr. High school youth	244	234	64	138	680
High school youth	231	229	85	132	677
Adults	305	288	58	29	680
Seniors	184	207	85	188	664
People with disabilities	121	169	103	266	659
Families	299	286	50	42	677
Males	286	283	27	79	675
Females	275	304	33	61	673
	answered question				695
	skipped question				46

## Question #7

Which of the following benefits of recreation services and park space are most important to you? Please rate each one.

Answer Options	Very Important	Important	Less Important	Not Important	No Opinion	Response Count
Nature/Outdoors	404	222	30	12	11	679
Promote youth development	401	228	32	3	9	673
Improve health and wellness	473	187	10	0	4	674
Provide learning opportunities	324	284	51	6	8	673
Provide cultural opportunities	225	283	127	21	13	669
Help seniors and disabled to remain active	326	247	50	5	42	670
Build stronger families and neighborhoods	459	175	23	5	10	672
Enhance community image	317	226	92	23	13	671
Other (please specify)						17
						answered question 683
						skipped question 58

## Question #8

What prevents you from participating in programs offered by the Uintah Recreation District? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Time	58.2%	397
Money	48.4%	330
Schedule	49.7%	339
Logistics (location of home)	14.1%	96
Child Care	16.1%	110
Other (please specify)	11.0%	75
		answered question 682
		skipped question 59

## Question #9

What recreation amenities do you think should be developed at the Alvin and Virginia Kay Memorial Park (Community Center)? Please rate each one.

Answer Options	Very Important	Important	Less Important	No opinion	Response Count
Softball Fields	146	148	295	46	635
Outdoor concert area	146	216	249	35	646
Bike paths/trails	261	223	132	34	650
Playgrounds	259	228	130	28	645
Picnic areas/pavilions	226	243	151	28	648
Indoor sports facility	294	192	124	35	645
Outdoor basketball courts	139	238	220	41	638

Tennis courts	221	208	176	40	645
Walking/jogging path	276	215	130	21	642
Open space (grass areas)	181	236	195	30	642
Dog park	110	111	346	72	639
Skate/bike park	87	148	334	64	633
Other (please specify)					83
				answered question	673
				skipped question	68

### Question #10

Is an indoor sports facility adjacent to the Community Center needed?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	72.5%	487
No	27.5%	185
	answered question	672
	skipped question	69

### Question #11

What do you think is most needed in the indoor sports facility? Please rate each one.

Answer Options	Very Important	Important	Less important	No opinion	Response Count
Basketball courts	169	139	128	15	451
Tennis courts	200	144	102	16	462
Volleyball courts	184	152	103	17	456
Indoor soccer	164	155	127	15	461
Driving range	80	100	226	36	442
Track	179	153	115	11	458
Racquetball courts	272	126	52	15	465
Other (please specify)					37
				answered question	484
				skipped question	257

### Question #12

Practice space is often limited. Which sports would benefit most from additional space? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Baseball	33.1%	160
Softball	36.2%	175
Football	28.1%	136
Soccer	46.1%	223
Basketball	39.9%	193
Volleyball	42.6%	206

Golf	19.0%	92
Tennis	50.4%	244
Other (please specify)	11.6%	56
answered question		484
skipped question		257

### Question #13

Uintah Recreation District is not a taxing entity and does not use property taxes to support programs, facilities, or park space. If the district were to build an indoor sports facility, would you support it through a fee structure (entrance fee)?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	84.1%	407
No	15.9%	77
answered question		484
skipped question		257

### Question #14

Have you visited the Jensen Park within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	36.0%	241
No	64.0%	428
answered question		669
skipped question		72

### Question #15

Please rate the amenities at the Jensen Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Jensen Park	4	118	107	229
Restrooms Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Jensen Park	54	143	21	218
Lighting Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Jensen Park	48	139	29	216
Green Space Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count

Jensen Park	13	102	107	222
Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Jensen Park	13	141	65	219
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Jensen Park	27	128	65	220
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Jensen Park	15	126	75	216
				Question Totals
			answered question	229
			skipped question	512

### Question #16

Have you visited the Ashley Valley Community Park within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	69.3%	461
No	30.7%	204
	answered question	665
	skipped question	76

### Question #17

Please rate the amenities at the Ashley Valley Community Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ashley Valley Community Park (City/County Park)	6	133	310	449
Restrooms Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ashley Valley Community Park (City/County Park)	188	219	33	440
Lighting Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count

Ashley Valley Community Park (City/County Park)	90	283	64	437
Athletic fields Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ashley Valley Community Park (City/County Park)	27	169	243	439
Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ashley Valley Community Park (City/County Park)	27	275	139	441
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ashley Valley Community Park (City/County Park)	119	270	52	441
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ashley Valley Community Park (City/County Park)	31	278	129	438
				Question Totals
			answered question	449
			skipped question	292

### Question #18

Have you visited the Independence Park within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	49.8%	329
No	50.2%	332
	answered question	661
	skipped question	80

### Question #19

Please rate the amenities at Independence Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Independence Park	15	181	124	320

Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Independence Park	31	216	71	318
Green Space Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Independence Park	11	181	128	320
Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Independence Park	52	195	70	317
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Independence Park	26	204	88	318
				Question Totals
				322
				skipped question 419

## Question #20

Have you visited the Naples Splash Park within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	46.4%	306
No	53.6%	354
answered question		660
skipped question		81

## Question #21

Please rate the amenities at the Naples Splash Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playstructures Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Splash Park (next to Naples Park)	29	154	120	303
Restrooms/Concessions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Splash Park (next to Naples Park)	22	171	109	302
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count

Naples Splash Park (next to Naples Park)	4	156	142	302
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Splash Park (next to Naples Park)	11	104	187	302
Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Splash Park (next to Naples Park)	20	145	134	299
				Question Totals
			answered question	303
			skipped question	438

### Question #22

Have you visited Remember the Maine Park within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	58.6%	387
No	41.4%	273
	answered question	660
	skipped question	81

### Question #23

Please rate the amenities at Remember the Maine Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Remember the Maine Park (Dry Fork Canyon)	34	199	149	382
Restrooms Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Remember the Maine Park (Dry Fork Canyon)	160	196	20	376
Lighting Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Remember the Maine Park (Dry Fork Canyon)	125	212	32	369
Green Space Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Remember the Maine Park (Dry Fork Canyon)	35	181	161	377

Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Remember the Maine Park (Dry Fork Canyon)	28	226	126	380
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Remember the Maine Park (Dry Fork Canyon)	42	237	99	378
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Remember the Maine Park (Dry Fork Canyon)	55	238	81	374
				Question Totals
				382
				359

## Question #24

Have you visited the Tridell Park within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	6.5%	43
No	93.5%	617
answered question		660
skipped question		81

## Question #25

Please rate the amenities at Tridell Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Tridell Park	4	21	16	41
Restrooms Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Tridell Park	22	19	1	42
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Tridell Park	7	26	8	41
Athletic fields Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count

Tridell Park	8	28	5	41
Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Tridell Park	6	24	11	41
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Tridell Park	4	21	16	41
				Question Totals
			answered question	42
			skipped question	699

### Question #26

Have you visited the Avalon Park & Community Center within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	15.6%	103
No	84.4%	557
	answered question	660
	skipped question	81

### Question #27

Please rate the amenities at Avalon Park & Community Center on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Avalon Park	10	71	16	97
Restrooms & Center Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Avalon Park	9	55	34	98
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Avalon Park	7	55	36	98
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Avalon Park	6	64	27	97

		Question Totals
	answered question	98
	skipped question	643

## Question #28

Have you visited the Naples Park within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	67.7%	447
No	32.3%	213
answered question		660
skipped question		81

## Question #29

Please rate the amenities at the Naples Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Park	1	76	365	442
Restrooms Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Park	86	249	97	432
Lighting Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Park	65	264	99	428
Athletic fields Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Park	37	206	192	435
Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Park	17	192	227	436
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Naples Park	36	194	209	439
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count

Naples Park	17	211	206	434
				Question Totals
answered question		444		
skipped question		297		

### Question #30

Have you visited the Uintah Recreation Soccer Complex (old KOA fields) within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	23.3%	153
No	76.7%	505
answered question		658
skipped question		83

### Question #31

Please rate the amenities at the Uintah Recreation Soccer Complex on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Uintah Recreation Soccer Complex (old KOA Park)	89	61	2	152
Restrooms Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Uintah Recreation Soccer Complex (old KOA Park)	90	53	6	149
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Uintah Recreation Soccer Complex (old KOA Park)	40	88	20	148
Athletic fields Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	N/A
Uintah Recreation Soccer Complex (old KOA Park)	30	85	32	4
				151
				Question Totals
				152
				589

## Question #32

Have you visited the Ballard Park (Ballard City, next to the City Offices) within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	8.5%	56
No	91.5%	602
answered question		658
skipped question		83

## Question #33

Please rate the amenities at Ballard City Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

Playground Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ballard City Park (adjacent to Ballard City office)	4	32	20	56
Restrooms Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ballard City Park (adjacent to Ballard City office)	13	34	9	56
Lighting Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ballard City Park (adjacent to Ballard City office)	9	37	8	54
Green Space Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ballard City Park (adjacent to Ballard City office)	7	27	22	56
Pavilions Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ballard City Park (adjacent to Ballard City office)	5	31	20	56
Parking Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ballard City Park (adjacent to Ballard City office)	4	33	19	56
Maintenance Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Ballard City Park (adjacent to Ballard City office)	8	30	18	56
				Question Totals

answered question	56
skipped question	685

### Question #34

Have you visited the Serenity Park (Ballard City, Highway 40) within the last year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	4.4%	29
No	95.6%	629
answered question		658
skipped question		83

### Question #35

Please rate the amenities at Serenity Park on a scale of 1 - 3 with three being the highest.

#### Playground

Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Serenity Park (Ballard, along Highway 40)	0	9	18	27

#### Restrooms

Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Serenity Park (Ballard, along Highway 40)	1	19	7	27

#### Lighting

Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Serenity Park (Ballard, along Highway 40)	1	19	7	27

#### Athletic fields

Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Serenity Park (Ballard, along Highway 40)	4	14	9	27

#### Pavilions

Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Serenity Park (Ballard, along Highway 40)	1	11	15	27

#### Parking

Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count

Serenity Park (Ballard, along Highway 40)	0	13	14	27
Maintenance				
Answer Options	1 Poor	2 Adequate	3 Excellent	Response Count
Serenity Park (Ballard, along Highway 40)	2	11	14	27
				Question Totals
			answered question	27
			skipped question	714

### Question #36

How would you rate your overall satisfaction with the level of park, open space, and recreation facilities that the Uintah Recreation District offers?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Very satisfied	25.3%	166
Satisfied	53.3%	350
Somewhat satisfied	17.0%	112
Not satisfied	3.7%	24
No opinion	0.8%	5
	answered question	657
	skipped question	84

### Question #37

Which sports do your children participate in? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
NO CHILDREN	18.7%	123
Baseball	24.8%	163
Softball	16.4%	108
Basketball	26.8%	176
Volleyball	16.0%	105
Soccer	37.1%	244
Golf	12.9%	85
Football (flag or tackle)	18.1%	119
Swimming	46.3%	304
Itty bitty ball	14.0%	92
Ski Bus	3.3%	22
Tennis	13.9%	91
Other (please specify)	14.3%	94
	answered question	657
	skipped question	84

### Question #38

What adult sports do you (or other family members) participate in? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
DO NOT PARTICIPATE	25.3%	166
Softball	25.6%	168
Basketball	21.3%	140
Volleyball	23.4%	154
Flag Football	6.7%	44
Soccer	9.6%	63
Dodgeball	5.5%	36
Golf	22.8%	150
Swimming	39.0%	256
Other (please specify)	19.5%	128
answered question		657
skipped question		84

### Question #39

What sports and/or programs not currently offered by the Uintah Recreation District would you like to see? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Lacrosse	15.1%	99
Frisbee Golf	14.5%	95
Ultimate Frisbee	19.9%	131
Rugby	12.2%	80
Racquetball	47.8%	314
Wally ball	19.9%	131
Water polo	8.1%	53
None	25.9%	170
Other (please specify)	14.8%	97
answered question		657
skipped question		84

### Question #40

Have you visited the Uintah Community Center in the past year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes - I have a membership	52.4%	344
Yes - I bought a day pass	36.4%	239
No	11.3%	74
answered question		657
skipped question		84

## Question #41

What did you (and your family) do while at the Uintah Community Center? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Aerobics class (in aerobics room)	18.0%	105
Water aerobics class	9.8%	57
Spinning class	12.2%	71
Yoga class	5.0%	29
Weight room	49.2%	287
Upstairs cardio and track	62.8%	366
Open basketball or volleyball	36.5%	213
League basketball, volleyball or dodge ball	20.8%	121
Lap swimming	27.3%	159
Open swim	79.1%	461
Youth activity	29.5%	172
Swimming lessons	27.4%	160
Rock wall	39.8%	232
Swim team	3.6%	21
Fencing	1.4%	8
Martial arts	2.2%	13
Summer enrichment program	12.9%	75
Movie in the park	14.8%	86
Other (please specify)	4.8%	28
answered question		583
skipped question		158

## Question #42

Please choose your preferred methods of receiving information from the Uintah Recreation District. Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
E-mail blast	53.6%	352
Website	46.9%	308
Social network (facebook/text)	27.4%	180
Mailed material (fliers, brochures, etc.)	31.8%	209
Radio	25.7%	169
Material distributed through schools	30.1%	198
Other (please specify)	2.9%	19
answered question		657
skipped question		84

## **Survey/Survey Results from 2004**

The following is the most recent public survey conducted for the Uintah Recreation District as well as another survey conducted some time ago. The latter was added when mention of it was made during the November 9, 2004 Public meeting following publication of the first survey.

Dear Uintah County Residents,

We at the Uintah Recreation District are committed to making Uintah County the best place to live and we are continually seeking to improve our services to better meet the needs of the residents. If you are a county resident please help us in this effort and take a few moments to complete this survey and let us know how satisfied you are as well as how you would like us to improve. We value your opinions and comments and we will do our best to meet your needs.

Please fill out responses as completely as possible on one form. Partial surveys will be evaluated. Encourage friends, neighbors, relatives and associates within the County to respond as well. The greater the number of individuals to respond will provide a more accurate survey analysis.

### Demographics

1. How long have you lived in Uintah County? (Circle One) 1) Less than a year 2) 1 to 5 years 3) 6 to 10 years 4) 11 to 15 years 5) More than 15 years
2. Do you own or rent your home? (Circle One) Own Rent
3. Gender? (Circle One) Male Female
4. Age? (Circle One) 1) 18 to 21 years 2) 22 to 35 3) 36 to 50 4) 51 to 65 5) over 65
5. Ages of individuals living within your household? (Circle all that apply) 1) 0 to 5 years 2) 6 to 11 years 3) 12 to 14 years 4) 15 to 17 years 5) 18 to 21 years 6) 22 to 35 years 7) 36 to 50 years 8) 51 to 65 years 9) over 65 years

### Parks

6. Overall how would you rate the park conditions within the county? (Circle One) 1) Poor 2) Fair 3) Good 4) Excellent
7. Which parks do you use the most in order of most frequent to least frequent?

1
2
3

8. What would you like improved in these respective parks?

1
2
3

9. Prioritize improvements you would like to see made to your park system? Circle one ranking for each category that you can reasonably respond to.

Category	Ranking	Comments
	1) No priority 2) Some priority 3) Moderate priority 4) High priority 5) Urgent	Please list related parks and other pertinent information
Access		
Parking	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Biking Trails	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Walking Paths	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Nature Trails	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Utilities		
Restrooms	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Drinking Fountains	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Lighting	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Site Furnishings		
Fencing	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Pavilions	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Benches	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Tables	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Trash Receptacles	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Fire Pits	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
BBQ Grills	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Playground/Exercise Equipment		
Toddler Equipment	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Adolescent Equipment	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Exercise Equipment	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Landscaping		
Berms/Landforms	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Native Landscaping	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Shrub/Flower/Ground Cover Planting	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Lawn	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Trees	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Irrigation System	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	

Fields/Facilities		
Swimming Pool	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Spray Park	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Softball Fields	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Baseball Fields	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Soccer Fields	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Horseshoe Pits	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Volleyball Courts	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Tennis Courts	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Basketball Courts	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
Other (list with ranking for each additional category)	1) 2) 3) 4) 5)	
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**\*Results were not provided in the previous Master Plan**

**Survey from Pre-2004**  
**(date not provided in previous Master Plan)**  
**Uintah Recreation District**  
**TABULATION SHEET**

1. Which area of the county do you live in?
 

a. Vernal	44%
b. Westside	11%
c. Naples	14%
d. Other	31%
  
2. Which age category do you fit in?
 

a. under 25	19%
b. 25 - 39 Young Adult	27%
c. 40 - 59 Middle Age	38%
d. 60 and above	16%
  
3. How long have you been a resident of Uintah County?
 

a. less than 1 year	2%
b. 1 - 5 years	8%
c. 6 -10 years	11%
d. More than 10 years	79%
  
4. Do you rent or own your home?
 

a. Rent	11%
b. Own	89%
  
5. What is me current size of your household?
 

a. 1 - 2	31%
b. 3 - 5	54%
c. 6 - 8	14%
d. 9 or above	Not Significant
  
6. How many children under the age of 18 currently live in your household?
 

a. 0	36%
b. 1 - 2	38%
c. 3 - 5	25%
d. 6 or more	1%
  
7. Have you or anyone in your household participated in Uintah Recreation District programs during the past two years?
 

a. yes (go to question # 8 )	51%
b. no (move on to question #9 )	49%
  
8. Please evaluate the programs that you have or anyone in your household has participated in during the past two years? Only evaluate those that you or a member of your household have
 

a. Not Participated	10%
b. Satisfied	50%
c. Dissatisfied	40%

participated in.

	How would you rate these programs.	(1) Poor	(2) Fair	(3) Good	
a____	Youth Sports	( 1) 5	( 2) 17	( 3) 87	
b____	Swimming	( 1) 9	( 2) 16	( 3) 39	
c____	Adult Sports	( 1) 4	( 2) 13	( 3) 48	
d____	Comm Ed	( 1) 8	( 2) 10	( 3) 13	
e____	Youth Prog	( 1) 6	( 2) 11	( 3) 26	
f____	Other	( 1)	( 2)	( 3)	

9. Please identify the main reason you have not participated in any Uintah Recreation District Programs (You may have more than one choice)

- a. Cost of the program too high 7%
- b. The times the programs are offered are not convenient 18%
- c. No programs interest me at this time 39%
- d. Facilities are inadequate for programs offered 3%
- e. Other 33%

10. How would you rate the current recreational facilities in the Uintah Recreation District?

	(1) Poor	(2) Fair	(3) Good	(4) Don't Know	
a____	Comm. Parks	( 1) 2%	( 2) 19%	( 3) 67%	( 4) 11%
b____	Ball Diamonds	( 1) 4%	( 2) 16%	( 3) 60%	( 4) 19%
c____	Soccer/footb	( 1) 8%	( 2) 17%	( 3) 39%	( 4) 36%
d____	Pools	( 1) 14%	( 2) 24%	( 3) 44%	( 4) 19%
e____	Golf Course	( 1) 2%	( 2) 2%	( 3) 49%	( 4) 46%

11. If an indoor recreation facility is built which of the following recreation amenities or program areas would you like to see included? Please rate the following program areas based on your level of Interest.

	1 (Not Important)	2 (Somewhat Important)	3 (Important)	4 (Very Important)	5 (Necessary)
a____	Aquatic ( 1) 19%	( 2) 12%	( 3) 29%	( 4) 19%	( 5) 21%
b____	Indoor ( 1) 19%	( 2) 15%	( 3) 28%	( 4) 18%	( 5) 20%
c____	Fitness/ ( 1) 14%	( 2) 18%	( 3) 33%	( 4) 19%	( 5) 17%
d____	Gymna ( 1) 14%	( 2) 14%	( 3) 33%	( 4) 16%	( 5) 23%
e____	Handball ( 1) 19%	( 2) 21%	( 3) 35%	( 4) 12%	( 5) 13%
f____	Arts and ( 1) 30%	( 2) 21%	( 3) 21%	( 4) 13%	( 5) 15%

g____	Meeting	( 1) 28%	( 2) 18%	( 3) 30%	( 4) 12%	( 5) 12%
h____	Kitchen	( 1) 36%	( 2) 21%	( 3) 24%	( 4) 10%	( 5) 10%
i____	Climbin	( 1) 39%	( 2) 14%	( 3) 19%	( 4) 13%	( 5) 16%
j____	Shooting	( 1) 32%	( 2) 10%	( 3) 31%	( 4) 14%	( 5) 13%
k____	Senior	( 1) 24%	( 2) 11%	( 3) 33%	( 4) 21%	( 5) 12%
l____	Other	<hr/>				

12. Which other recreation facilities would you like to see constructed in the county. Please rate the following recreation facilities based on your level of interest.

	1 (Not Important)	2 (Somewhat Important)	3 (Important)	4 (Very Important)	5 (Necessary)
a____	Skate Boar	( 1) 31%	( 2) 17%	( 3) 25%	( 4) 16%
b____	Tennis	( 1) 21%	( 2) 20%	( 3) 34%	( 4) 12%
c____	Trails	( 1) 21%	( 2) 15%	( 3) 29%	( 4) 17%
d____	Soccer Fie	( 1) 29%	( 2) 14%	( 3) 30%	( 4) 11%
e____	Baseball	( 1) 28%	( 2) 14%	( 3) 26%	( 4) 14%
f____	Ice Rink	( 1) 13%	( 2) 12%	( 3) 29%	( 4) 18%
					( 5) 29%

13. Would you be willing to financially support the construction and maintenance of a Uintah County Recreation Center through the use of public tax funds and user fees?

- a. Yes 84%
- b. No 16%

## Uintah Recreation District

### Tabulation Evaluation

1. Of the 266 individuals who responded the majority were in the Vernal area the next highest was the other category which included several communities including: Randlett, Davis, Maeser, LaPoint, Uintah, Ashley, Glines, etc.
2. The age categories were well represented. The highest percentage represented was in the 40 - 59 middle age category.
3. It was surprising that by far the majority of those contacted had lived in the district for more than 10 years. The conclusion is that individuals are born and raised in the area and don't leave when they become adults.
4. The majority own their home.
5. The household size most prevalent in the area is the 3 -5 size. There are quite a number of households with large numbers of 6-8 individuals (14%)
6. Over one third (36%) of those contacted had no children under the age of 18 living in the household. This would represent both the older population and newly weds or singles.
7. The number of individuals who have participated in recreation programs was Split almost 50/50.
8. Of those who have participated in recreation programs they rate them good.
9. The main reason used for not participating was no programs interest me at this time and other reasons. The other reasons most often given are: Not advertised well, too far to travel, too old for programs offered or no kids left at home.
10. The current facilities are rated good overall The one area that seems least acceptable is the swimming pool. Most acceptable was the community parks.
11. On this question if you eliminate the middle of the road responses in the category of important. Those facilities that are most wanted would include: Aquatic Center, Indoor walking/jogging area, Fitness/Weight room, Gymnasiums and possibly senior center.
12. The highest ranking other recreation facilities after you eliminate the middle ranking is the indoor ice rink, followed by non motorized trails.
13. There was overwhelming support for the construction and maintenance of a recreation center using public tax funds and user fees.
14. There was relatively balanced representation from all areas of the gross income groups. The highest representation is from the \$36,000 - \$50,000 range.
15. There are plenty of people who are willing to get involved.

## Park Planning Checklist

When land comes available for Uintah Recreation District (URD) development, fill out this form to determine what steps need to be taken in order to insure its successful implementation.

### **General Questions**

Property Location:

Property Size:

Park Classification (What does the Uintah Recreation District want to accomplish at this park?):

### **Implementation/Funding Questions**

What land-use controls affect this park:

What land-use controls could affect this park:

What government agencies should be involved in the park's development?

What kind of bargains can be made to insure the development of this park?

What kind of cooperation can be called for to insure the development of this park?

What citizen groups can be mobilized to help in the implementation of this park?

Could this park qualify for a Land and Water Conservation Grant?

Does this park have a river component?

Does this park have an off-highway vehicle component?

Does this park have a non-motorized trail component?

Are there boating and fishing opportunities at this park?



## **Consultant**

Selection:

Programming:

Conceptual Design:

Public Input:

Cost Estimating:

Design Development:

Cost Estimating:

Construction Documents:

Cost Estimating:

Bid Administration:

Construction Administration:

Project Closeout:

## Recreation Facility Benchmarks

### Park City Area

#### South Summit Aquatic & Fitness Center

350 East 200 South - Kamas, UT 84036

Population - City of Kamas: 1,811 (2010)  
 3,179 - Kamas, Francis and Oakley Areas  
 (2006-2008 American Community Survey {Milepost})

##### Amenities:

- Water Slides
- Kiddie Playground (Aquatic)
- Climbing Wall
- Aerobics Room
- Indoor Track
- Weight Cardio Room
- Lap Pool
- Outdoor sand volleyball courts
- Lazy river & Recreational pool



#### Snyderville Basin: Basin Recreation Fieldhouse

1388 Center Drive - Park City, UT 84098

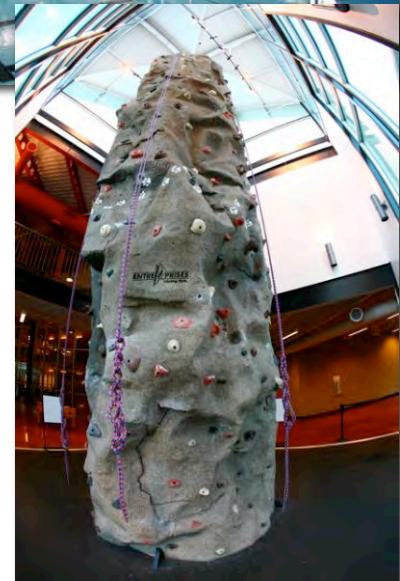
##### Population:

5,612 (2010 Census data for Snyderville Basin Areas)  
 7,853 (2009 Census data for Summit Park Area)  
 13,465 Total

48,000 sq. ft. facility

##### Amenities

- 95' x 225' (30x75 yards) indoor turf field
- Cardio machines & weight room
- 2 lane, 1/9th of a mile running track
- 4 batting cages with pitching machines
- 28,000 sq. ft. open area available for events rental
- Inflatable castles, houses, etc... available for rental
- Arts and Crafts



##### Daily Use Fees:

	Resident	Non-Resident
Adult	6.00	8.00
Youth	4.00	5.00
Sr. Citizen	3.00	5.00
Infant	free	free
Toddler	1.00	1.00

Impact fees from building and development help to fund the district:

- Residential housing, where the fee starts at \$4,140.27 per unit, and commercial lodging (non-condominium) where the fee starts at \$521.82.
- Commercial projects (retail, office, industrial, etc.) are assessed on the project size at \$.38 per square foot.



#### Park City Municipal Athletic & Recreation Center

1200 Little Kate Road - Park City UT 84060

Population:

7,558 (2010 - permanent population)

Size: 85,000 sq. ft.

Amenities:

- (1) - Three Lane Track
- (1) - Bouldering Wall
- (1) - Game Room
- (1) - Gymnasium
- (1) - Cardio Area
- (1) - Weight Room
- (3) - Dedicated Exercise Class Rooms
- (1) - outdoor pool (closed in winter)
- (1) - recreation, play pool
- (4) - indoor regulation tennis courts



Daily Use Fees:

	Resident	Non-Resident
Adult	\$7.00	\$10.00
Youth	\$3.00	\$5.00
Sr. Citizen	\$6.00	\$7.00
Toddler	\$1.00	\$1.00



### Park City Ice Arena

Daily Use Fees:

	Resident	Non-Resident
Adult	\$6.50	\$9.50
Youth	\$6.00	\$9.00

(there are a variety of other programs with different pricing)



### Heber Area

#### Wasatch County Recreation Center

345 W 600 South  
Heber City, Utah 84032

Population of Wasatch County:

23,705 (2010 Census)  
15,215 (2000 Census)

Size: 138,000 sq. ft.

Amenities:

- (6) - full-size basketball courts (volleyball net inserts for each court, up to 2 a court)
- (4) - racquetball courts
- (3) - indoor batting cage
- (2) - tennis courts (convertible to 4)



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- (2) - large turf areas
- (1) - putting green
- (1) - indoor running/walking tracks
  - additional classrooms
  - Concessionaire area

33.9% under 18 years of age

**Daily Use Fees:**

	Resident	Non-Resident
Adult	\$2.50	\$5.00
Child	\$2.00	\$4.00
Sr. Citizen	\$1.00	\$2.00
Family	\$1.00	\$20.00
Toddler free		\$1.00



**Salt Lake City Area**

**IVA (intermountain Volleyball Association) Training Center**

2595 w. Custer Road, Suite A - Lehi, UT

**Population:**

- City of Lehi - 47,407 (2010 Census)
- County of Utah - 516,564 (2010 Census)

45,000 Sq. ft.

**Amenities:**

- 11 dedicated volleyball courts
- 5,000 sq. ft. office

**Fees:**

~ \$45/hr per court



**XSI Factory - Basketball and Event Facility**

4425 North Thanksgiving Road - Lehi, UT

**Amenities:**

- 2500 sq. ft. trampoline park
- exercise rooms
- basketball and volleyball courts

**Trampoline Jumping Rates**

Admission – 60 Minute Jump	\$10.00
Admission – 90 Minute Jump	\$13.00
Admission – 120 Minute Jump	\$16.00
Under 46" 60 Minute Jump	\$6.00
Under 46" 90 Minute Jump	\$8.00



Under 46" 120 Minute Jump \$10.00

### Airborne Trampoline Center

12674 S Pony Express Rd - Draper, UT 84020

Open Jump	5 and older	Ages 0 – 2	Ages 3 – 4
1st Hour	\$9.36	\$1.87	\$5.62
Addl. Hours	\$7.49	\$1.87	\$4.68
30 min	\$5.62		

### University of Utah - Einar Nielsen Fieldhouse

University of Utah Campus - Salt Lake City, Utah

#### Amenities:

- Basketball / Indoor Soccer Court
- 2 Tennis Courts
- 7 Racquetball Courts
- 2 Squash Courts
- Dance Studio
- Indoor 210-Meter Track
- Punching Bags

125,000 people attended, Fall 2011



### Fieldhouse

University of Utah Campus - Salt Lake City, Utah

Groundbreaking: June, 2004

Opened: November, 2004

Cost: \$6 million

Size: 74,000 square feet

#### Amenities:

- Field Dimensions: Regulation size
- Height: 60 feet
- Surface: FieldTurf
- Reception area, restrooms, netting and batting cages for softball and baseball

### University of Utah - Spence Eccles



### Westminster - Behnken Field House

1840 South 1300 East - Salt Lake City, Utah 84105

#### Amenities

At over 20,000 square feet, the Behnken Field House is the new home for Griffin basketball and volleyball, as well as intramural and club sport activities, with seating for 1,200. Suspended above the gym floors is an elevated two-lane track with a high tech mondo rubber surface for runners and walkers alike.



### Sportsplex Fieldhouse - Kaysville

Part of Sportsplex Gyms



## More Community Options

### Moab Recreation and Aquatic Center

374 Park Ave - Moab, Utah

#### Population:

5,046 (City of Moab)

9,225 (County of Grand)

#### Amenities:

24,000 sq. ft.

Indoor 6-lane competition pool

1 and 3 meter diving boards

water slide

Outdoor - 3 lane pool w/current channel and bubble pool

Leisure pool with zero-entry depth

Play structure in aquatics area

Weight & cardio area

Multi purpose rooms, for fitness, pool parties, social gatherings





### Daily Admission Fees:

#### Aquatic Only

	Resident	Non-resident
3 and Under	Free	\$1
4 to 18	\$2	\$4
Adult 18 to 54	\$4	\$7
Senior 55+	\$3	\$5
Family (up to 6)	\$12	\$20

#### Aquatic & Fitness

	Resident	Non-resident
3 and Under	n/a	n/a
Youth	\$4	\$7
Adult 18 to 54	\$5	\$9
Senior 55+	\$4	\$7
Family (up to 6)	\$20	\$35

### Price - Carbon County Carbon County Recreation District

#### Desert Wave Pool



### Millard County Recreation Area

Bureau of Land Management, Fillmore Office  
35 East 500 North  
Fillmore, Utah 84631

Little Sahara Recreation area is one of the few in Utah that is totally devoted to the OHV recreational sport. The whole recreation site is a giant designated riding area.



### Deseret Peak Complex

2930 West Highway 112 - Tooele, Utah 84074

#### Amenities:

Archery Park	Arenacross
Aquatic Center	Baseball Field
Benson Grist Mill	BMX Track
Convention Center	
Equestrian Race Track and Stables	
Indoor & Outdoor Arena	
Leagues	Mining Museum
Motocross Track	Motorized Arena
Pavilions	Playgrounds
Pitch n' Putt Golf Course	
Multi-Purpose Areas	RV Camping
Softball Complex	Trails



Roosevelt - Roosevelt Swimming Pool

Roosevelt - Golf Course

\$35.73-\$41.38 depending on time of week for 18 holes



St. George - Golf Courses

\$22.50 - \$56.00 depending on course

St. George - Sand Hollow Aquatic Center

1144 North Lava Flow Drive - St. George, UT 84770

**Amenities**

25m by 25 yd competition and diving pool  
 5,800 s.f. leisure pool.

Zero depth entry area  
 interactive children's water fun toys  
 water walk and water slides  
 Various sprays and moving water



**Daily Admission Fees**

Age	Resident	Non-Resident
Youth (17 & Under)	\$3.50	\$5.50
Adults (18 - 58)	\$4.00	\$6.00

Smithfield - Smithfield Rec Center

315 East 600 South - Smithfield, UT 84335

**Amenities**

5000 sq. ft. weight room  
 2 - 42" HDTV's - Weight Room  
 4 Full-Size Basketball Courts  
 3 racquetball courts  
 Bouldering Wall  
 2 Running/Walking Tracks  
 Indoor volleyball and tennis courts (can be set up upon request or by reservation)  
 Cardio Room  
 Aerobics Room



**Daily Admission Fees**

Adult (18-61 Years)	\$4.00
Youth (4-17)	\$3.50
Senior Citizen	\$3.00
Track Only	\$1.50
Track Only	Smithfield - Free