



# YORK PARKS MASTER PLAN

City of York, SC | June 2021



A photograph of a park path with trees and a utility pole in the background. The path is paved and leads into a wooded area. A utility pole is visible in the distance. The sky is blue with some clouds.

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# 1. Introduction



Lincoln Park

## ABOUT THE PLAN

Well known for its large historic district and quaint but vibrant downtown, the City of York offers a unique quality of life amidst the rapid growth of York County and Charlotte Metro Area. Current and future population growth place new demands on City services, including parks and recreation facilities.

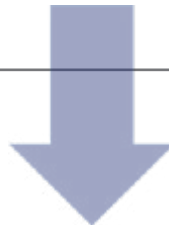
In 2019, the City of York developed a 2019 – 2029 Comprehensive Plan to provide a framework for efficient use of public funds, future growth, and development and redevelopment of the jurisdiction. Building on the Comprehensive Plan, the York Parks Master Plan provides a 10 year vision and foundation for parks and recreation projects and programming specifically.

With 9 parks, a one-mile Bike Trail, and two leased fields (one from York School District 1 and one from York County) the Parks Master Plan not only evaluates how the current park system serves the surrounding community but also looks to the future to understand how the park system needs to serve future generations.

## ABOUT THE PROCESS

The York Parks Master Plan is a culmination of detailed facility assessments, thorough staff, stakeholder and public input, and a comprehensive needs assessment. Through this planning process, a Capital Improvement Plan was developed, which provides as an effective tool and guide for the City of York on park project recommendations and priorities. The planning process consisted of three phases as outlined below.

Phase One	Phase Two	Phase Three
Where are we now?	Where are we going?	How do we get there?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Obtain City staff input</li> <li>Gather data and information from the City</li> <li>Obtain stakeholder input (Parks Master Plan Steering Committee)</li> <li>Review relevant plans and policies</li> <li>Inventory existing City parks</li> <li>Analyze City demographics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete a public survey</li> <li>Host two public workshops</li> <li>Conduct a level of service analysis on existing park facilities</li> <li>Develop a needs assessment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop Vision, Goals and Objectives</li> <li>Develop Short- and Long-Term Recommendations</li> <li>Review Operation Budget and Funding Sources</li> <li>Develop a Capital Improvement Plan</li> </ul>



- Present the York Parks Master Plan Report
- Obtain City Council Approval

## 2. Plans, Policies + Resources



New Street Park

The purpose of this chapter is to review existing City of York plans and policies that provide a framework for not only the City's growth but also potentially the future of City park facilities and recreation programs offered. Additionally, this chapter will also provide a snapshot of existing recreation programs and resources with the City providing a baseline when reviewing existing facilities and identifying future needs.

## PLAN REVIEW

### 1. City of York Comprehensive Plan 2019 – 2029

Adopted December 3, 2019

The City of York Comprehensive Plan 2019 – 2029 represents a revision of the Plan developed in 1999 and updated in 2005. The Plan reviews existing conditions in ten subject areas, provides Guiding Principles that list goals, objectives, and implementation strategies for each of the eight elements, and a Land Use Map illustrating the recommended patterns of growth for the future. The following elements from the updated Comprehensive Plan provide a framework for the York Parks Master Plan.

#### Population Element

The York Comprehensive Plan identifies steady population growth in the City of York and the York Planning Area area over the past four decades due to a variety of factors. The City's corporate limits have also expanded and it is projected that York's population will continue to increase and projects a 1.5% annual growth rate. The Plan notes that increasing population places an increased demand on the public sector.

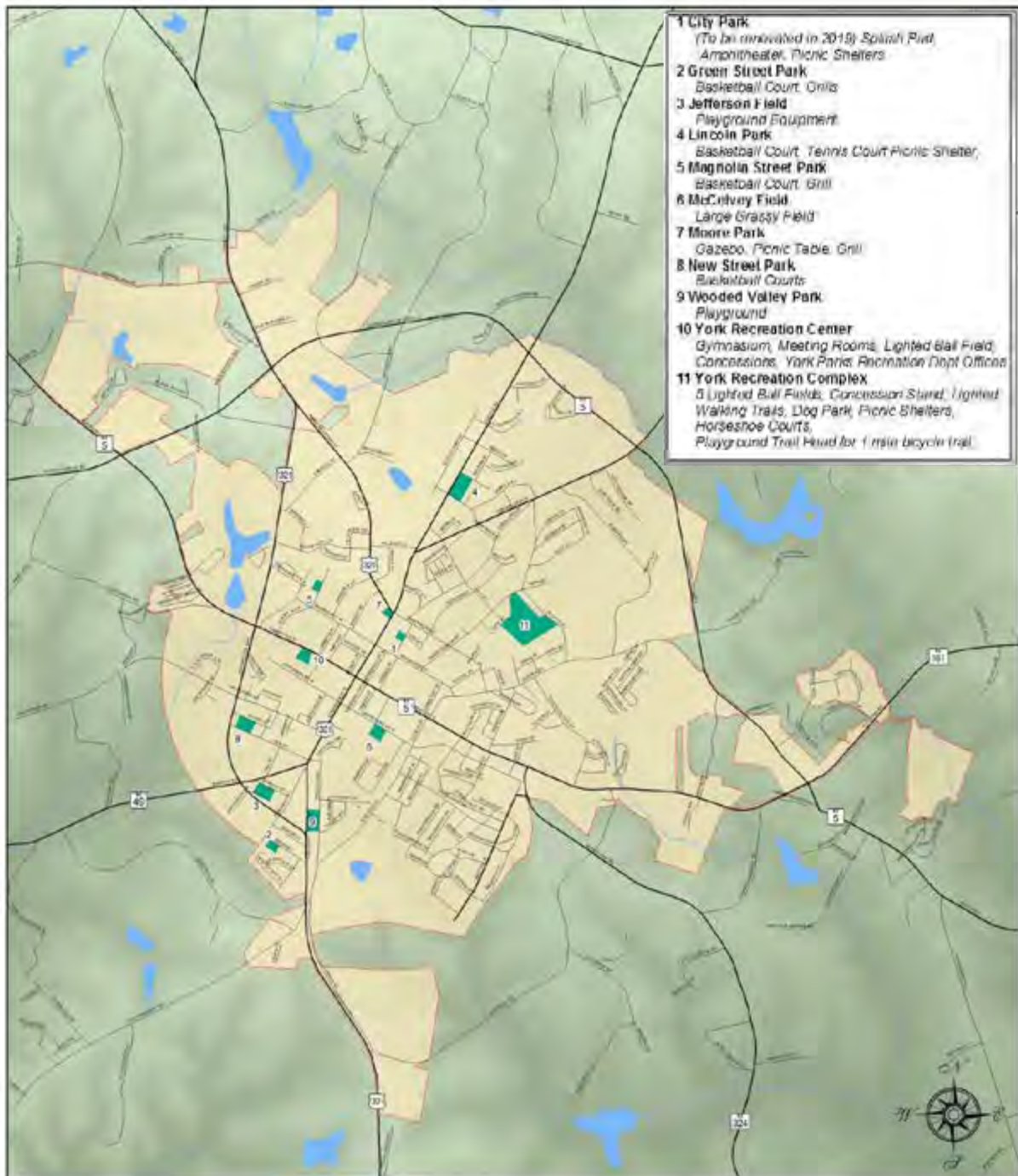
#### Natural Resources Element

The Plan reviews the City's existing park system which entails (see map on next page):

- Two major facilities:
  - York Recreation Center
  - York Recreation Complex
- Seven neighborhood parks:
  - Moore Park
  - City Park
  - Green Street Park
  - Lincoln Park
  - Magnolia Street Park
  - New Street Park
  - Wooded Valley Park
- Two field facilities:
  - Jefferson Field (leased from York School District #1)
  - McCelvey Field (leased from York County)

Actions identified in the Plan to upgrade the recreation facilities within the City of York in the past several years include:

- Neighborhood parks have been improved to make them more usable and attractive through the addition of benches, trash cans, grills, and picnic tables. A majority of these improvements were made possible in through state PARD grant funds.
- Playground equipment at Lincoln Park was replaced in 2008 through grant funds to provide safe and modern equipment for children to enjoy.
- Improvements at the York Recreation Center were made in 2005 and include a new metal roof, gym floor, interior painting and other interior improvements. These improvements will extend the life of the facility by 25 years.
- Improvements to the York Recreation Complex have been made throughout the course of its lifespan. In 2009, shade covers were installed over the bleachers in to provide shade to spectators.



**Figure 5**  
**City of York**  
Recreation Areas



0 1,500 3,000 6,000 Feet

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In 2014, picnic tables and umbrellas were replaced at the York Recreation Complex. In 2015, Improvements were made to restroom facility sinks. In 2017, pavement repairs were made to walking trails at the complex. Also in 2017 part of the horseshoe court area was converted to a dog park to make better use of the fenced in area. In 2018, deteriorating playground equipment was replaced.

- Although the staff of York's Parks and Recreation Department has not been expanded, the Department continues to provide a high level of service through activities and facilities to meet the growing demand for recreation.
- Signage has been added at all parks to identify the park name, address, and hours.
- In 2018 the playground equipment was replaced with an updated and safer equipment for kids to enjoy.

The Plan identifies that the land area within the City limits of York is largely developed. Areas unsuitable for urban development include flood plain areas and areas with steep slope, which lend themselves to protection as open space. York County has created York County Forever, which has a goal of protecting one acre of open space per one acre that is developed in the County. There are currently no protected natural areas in the York Planning Area.

### Priority Investment

The Priority Investment element serves to connect the major capital improvement needs identified in the other elements of the Comprehensive Plan. York uses the Capital Improvement Plan as the financial tool to implement their comprehensive plan. Parks and Recreation projects in the CIP include:

<b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>4,135,000</b>
Multi-purpose Athletic Complex	2022	\$	2,950,000
Recreation Center-Addition	2022	\$	175,000
Recreation Complex-Playground Equipment	2022	\$	50,000 ✓
Wooded Valley-Playground Equipment	2022	\$	50,000
City Park-Facilities Improvements		\$	500,000
Maintenance Vehicles	2022	\$	150,000
Field & Turf Maintenance Equipment	2022	\$	110,000
Recreation Complex-Equipment & Maintenance	2022	\$	100,000
Bike Trail Extension	2022	\$	50,000

### Land Use Element

Future land use patterns included by a number of factors including the availability of public services and external growth factors like the continued expansion of the Charlotte-Rock Hill urban area. The Plan notes that residential growth will continue at a steady pace due to large areas of vacant land within the City limits suitable for single family residential. Additionally, the Plan notes that the health and economic viability of the downtown area is a major concern being that it serves multiple functions.

### Land Use Plan

The purpose of the Land Use Plan is to provide a general development pattern for the future growth and development of York. It is a vision of the development pattern over a twenty year period. Under Open Space/Recreation, the Plan recognizes the large expansion of public recreation opportunities in the City over the past few years. The following are recommendations provided:

- Recommendation for continued provision of public open space for active and passive recreation.
- Recommendation to begin long-range planning for second major recreation complex due to the heavy use experienced at York Recreation Complex
- Recommendation for a system of trails and biking trails be implemented in the York area.
- Recommendation to preserve open space along major drainage courses and floodplains.
- Recommendation that greenways and corridors of open space will help to maintain the small town character.

### Guiding Principles Appendix – Natural Resources

- Enhance and expand recreational resources for the citizens of York.
- Encourage the preservation and connectivity of green spaces, natural areas, and air and water quality.

### Implementation Matrix Appendix

NATURAL RESOURCES				
Project	Short Term (1-2 Years)	Medium Term (3-5 Years)	Long Term (6-10 Years)	Strategy
City Park	X			Collaborate with Catawba Regional Council of Governments to complete Implementation of Land and Water Conservation Fund grant.

CULTURAL RESOURCES				
Project	Short Term (1-2 Years)	Medium Term (3-5 Years)	Long Term (6-10 Years)	Strategy
York Veterans Memorial Park	X			Collaborate with York County to augment beautification projects and walking area. Add stage.
Information Kiosk	X	X	X	Continue to update Information kiosk with city Information and recreational opportunities.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES				
Project	Short Term (1-2 Years)	Medium Term (3-5 Years)	Long Term (6-10 Years)	Strategy
Recreation	X	X	X	Adopt a prioritized list of recreation projects and implementation methods.

## 2. City of York Strategic Plan Project Combined Focus Group Review Project in Process

The York Strategic Plan Project's purpose is to:

- Guide the future of City facilities, services and programs, and
- Help City Council develop short-to mid-term (3 – 5 years) strategic goals and plans.

The Combined Focus Group Review presentation provides a summary of residents' opinions of services and programs and identifies opportunities for new programs, services, and facilities identified by residents.

Focus groups met virtually in September and October 2020.

Big Ideas gathered from the focus groups related to parks and recreation include:

- Improve Jefferson Field and City Park
- Maintain current facilities
- Expand traditional youth recreation programs to include new cultural programs like art, music, theater and pottery
- Enhance adult recreation programs
- Maintenance, Appearance and Beautification of Parks, Bike Trail
- Pedestrian Improvements
- More trails, parks and green space that connect the City, neighborhoods and assets and increase signage
- Wayfinding signage

Review of the Strategic Plan Project Community Survey

- 279 residents conducted the survey.
- Good distribution of age, neighborhood and household size.
- See appendices for survey responses related to parks and recreation.

### 3. City of York Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Study Completed 2016

The York Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Study examines existing conditions, provides a network gap analysis, lists and ranks capital improvement projects, and delivers important base maps to guide future bicycle and pedestrian enhancements. This study analyzed 90 road corridors and 47 intersections within the City of York examining curb ramps, tactile warning domes, sidewalk, crosswalks, pedestrian signals, county bike routes, rail trail, and any other on street bike facilities.

Impacting accessibility to the existing City parks, recommended improvements include

- Crosswalks
- N. Congress Street updates and bike hub
- Addressing missing curb ramps
- Access to Jefferson Street
- Provide connections to the York Bike Trail.

Specifically, the study also highlights the following issues on the York Bike Trail:

- Limited to zero pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure connecting to trailheads on Raille Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Street and the York Recreation Complex.
- All trailheads need enhancements to better guide trail users and create a user friendly experience. Additionally, there is an opportunity to better brand and market the trail with cohesive trailhead amenities including signage, maps, and landscaping.
- Certain portions of the trail feel enclosed with fences and vegetation creating a lack of visibility for trail users and therefore, impacting perception of safety along the trail.
- There is no crosswalk for trail users when crossing Blackburn Street.
- Signs are needed along Madison Street, Blackburn Street, and 4th Street to connect people with the trail and create more visibility about the trail.

## POLICY REVIEW

The following references to parks and recreation were identified in the City of York's Code of Ordinances.

### Chapter 18 – Floods

#### Article II – Flood Damage Prevention

##### Section 18-33

Floodplains are an important asset to the community. They perform vital natural functions such as temporary storage of floodwaters, moderation of peak flood flows, maintenance of water quality, groundwater recharge, prevention of erosion, habitats for diverse natural wildlife populations, recreational opportunities, and aesthetic quality. These functions are best served if floodplains are kept in their natural state. Wherever possible, the natural characteristics of floodplains and their associated wetlands and water bodies should be preserved and enhanced. Decisions to alter floodplains, especially floodways and stream channels, should be the result of careful planning processes that evaluate resource conditions and human needs.

### Chapter 30 – Parks and Recreation

#### Article II – Recreation Director

##### Section 30-31 – Appointment

The city manager shall appoint a parks and recreation director who shall have the qualifications, training and experience necessary to develop and administer a coordinated program of recreation services for the city and surrounding service areas outside the city. The director and all personnel under him shall be responsible to and under the direct supervision of the city manager.

#### Article III – Non-City Resident Recreation Charges

##### Section 30-66 – Authorized

The city council hereby establishes a system of annual charges for the use of the city's recreational facilities and programs. Charges as established and set shall apply only to those facility and program users not residing within the corporate limits of the city. Such charges shall be in addition to any facility and program fees normally charged all users to defray program expenses. Program fees for non-city residents are charged at double that paid by city residents. A schedule of the current charges is on file and available in the city offices.

### Chapter 36 – Solid Waste Management

#### Article I – In General

##### Section 36.5 – Litter in parks

No person shall throw or deposit litter in any park except in public receptacles, and in such a manner as to prevent the litter from being scattered or carried by the elements onto any part of the park, upon any street or other public place. Where public receptacles are not covered, all litter shall be carried from the park by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere.

### Chapter 38 – Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places

#### Section 38-17 – Operation of skates and similar riding devices

- (a) Except where expressly permitted, no roller blade skates, regular skates, skateboards or other similar rolling or riding devices shall be operated upon any pedestrian/bicycle pathway in the public parks or public recreational areas or upon any roadway or public sidewalk.

## Chapter 44 – Utilities

### Article IV – Sewer Use

#### Division 2 – Regulations

##### Section 44-200 Use of Public Sewers

d. The owner of all houses, buildings, or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation or other purpose situated within the city and abutting any street, alley, or right-of-way in which there shall be located a public sanitary sewer of the city is hereby required at his expense to install suitable toilet facilities therein and to connect such facilities directly with the proper public sewer in accordance with provisions of this resolution within 60 days after written notice from the city to the property owner requiring such property owner to make connection thereto, provided that said connection to public sewer shall be technically feasible.

## Appendix A – Zoning

### Section 8 – Zoning Districts

#### 1. - R-15 Restricted residential district

B.6 Permitted uses include public parks or recreational facilities.

#### 3. - R-7 Residential District

B.1 Permitted Uses includes any use permitted in the R-15 residential district.

#### 5. - R-5 Multifamily residential district

B – All uses permitted in R-15 and R-7.

F.4 Uses allowed by special exception includes public parks

F.2 Uses allowed by special exception includes recreation facilities

#### 6. – MH mobile home park district

B.3. Permitted uses includes recreation buildings and areas serving only the mobile home district in which they are located.

### Section 11 – Off Street Parking Requirements

#### 4. Parking Requirements

Ball Park – One (1) space for each four (4) spectator seats

### Section 15 – General and Supplemental Regulations

#### 3. – Cluster Housing

##### 2. Density and Recreation Area:

a. The maximum overall density for a planned cluster development shall be in terms of the number of dwelling units per gross acre of land within the development, as provided in the table below.

b. The minimum total recreation area (that part of the living space which is any large

contiguous area for recreation purposes) shall be provided at no less than a minimum ratio of recreation space area per total floor area, as provided in the table below. Recreation areas shall be of common ownership.

Zone District	Maximum Density (Units per Gross Acre)	Minimum Recreation Area (Acres per Acre)
R-7	6	0.14

## 5. Accessory Uses

3. Uses customarily accessory to retail businesses, offices and commercial recreation facilities:
  - a. Off-street parking or storage area for customer, client or employee-owned vehicles.
  - b. Completely enclosed building for the storage of supplies, stock or merchandise.
  - c. Light manufacturing and/or repair facility incidental to the principal use; provided that dust, odor, smoke, noise vibration, heat or glare produced as a result of such manufacturing or repair operation shall not be perceptible from any boundary line of the lot on which such principal and accessory uses are located; and provided that such operation is not otherwise specifically prohibited in the district in which the principal use is located.
  - d. One single-family dwelling for a miniwarehouse development, provided that the dwelling must be used by an individual employed for the purpose of providing security for the miniwarehouse development. Manufactured homes (mobile homes) are prohibited from use for the above-referenced residential purpose.
  - e. Offices shall be allowed when associated with apartment complexes.

## Appendix B - Subdivision Ordinance

### Article 5 Design Standards

### V-8 Development Standards

### 8.3 Open Space

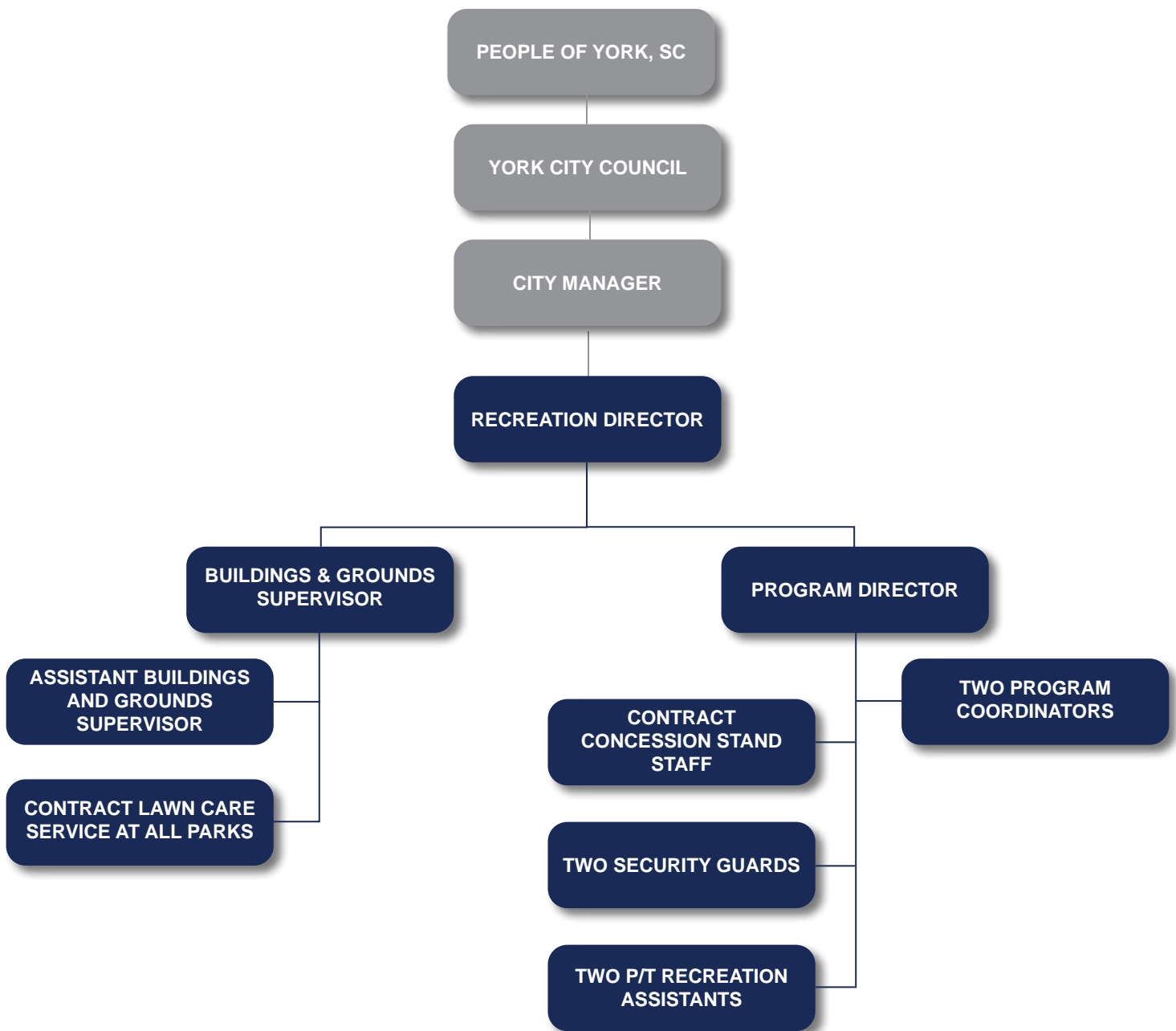
1. A minimum of 10% of the subject development shall be dedicated as open space.
2. The following features shall be incorporated into the open space:
  - a. Public access to the open space shall be provided for all property owners;
  - b. Public recreation facilities shall be provided per the Planning Commission and the City's Comprehensive Plan;
  - c. The connection of adjacent open spaces is encouraged;
  - d. The open space shall be usable (i.e. topography, drainage, etc. shall not preclude public usage of the property);
  - e. Open space shall be contiguous as much as possible;
  - f. Open space shall not include public right-of-way, required setbacks, parking areas, or lot area for individual residential lots.
3. The developer shall specify the following regarding the proposed open space:
  - a. Designate areas to be reserved as open space. The specific design of open space areas shall be sensitive to the physical and design characteristics of the site;
  - b. Designate the type of open space that will be provided;
  - c. Specify the manner in which the open space shall be perpetuated, maintained and administered.

4. The types of open space allowed are as follows:
  - a. Natural areas are areas of undisturbed vegetation or areas replanted with vegetation after construction. Woodlands and wetlands are specified types of natural areas. Maintenance is limited to removal of litter, dead trees, plant materials and brush. Natural watercourses are to be maintained as free-flowing and devoid of debris. Stream channels shall be maintained so as not to alter flood plain levels;
  - b. Recreational areas are designed for specific active recreational uses such as tennis courts, swimming pools, club houses, ball-fields and the like or passive recreation such as tot lots, picnic areas, walking and bike trails, ponds with designated swimming and fishing areas and the like or similar uses. Recreational areas shall be accessible to all residents of the development. Maintenance shall insure that there exists no hazard, nuisance or unhealthy conditions.
  - c. Greenways are linear green belts linking residential areas with other open space areas. These greenways may contain bicycle paths, footpaths, and bridle paths. Connecting greenways between residences and recreational areas are encouraged. Maintenance shall insure that there exists no hazard, nuisance or unhealthy conditions.
5. Land designated as common open space may not be separately sold or developed. Open space areas shall be maintained so that their use and enjoyment as open space are not diminished or destroyed. Open space areas may be owned, preserved and maintained as required by this section by any of the following mechanisms or combinations thereof:
  - a. Dedication of an acceptance by the governing authority;
  - b. Common ownership of the open space by a homeowner's association that assumes full responsibility for its maintenance; or
  - c. Deed restricted, private ownership that shall prevent development and/or subsequent subdivision of the open space land and provide the maintenance responsibility.
6. In the event that any private owner of open space fails to maintain same, the City, in accordance with the open space plan and following reasonable notice can demand that deficiency of maintenance be corrected, enter the open space to maintain same. The cost of the maintenance shall be charged to those persons having the primary responsibility for maintenance of the open space.

## EXISTING RESOURCES

### Staff

The City of York Parks and Recreation Department currently has eight full-time staff, two part-time staff and contract lawn care employees.



## EXISTING PROGRAMS

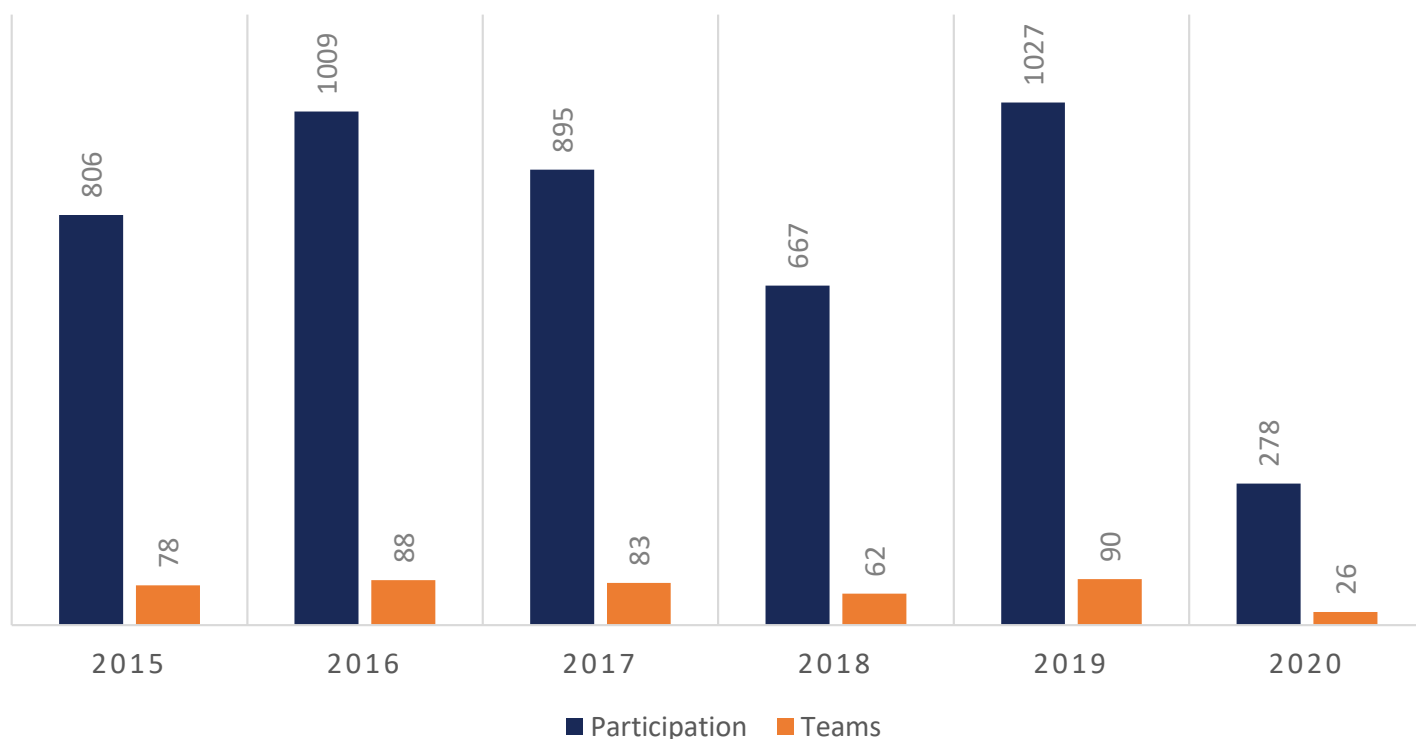
### Youth Athletics and Fitness

The York Parks and Recreation Department currently offers a variety of youth athletic and fitness programs for residents including baseball, softball, football, cheerleading, basketball, gymnastics, martial arts, Zumba and free play.

PROGRAM	AGE	SEASON
<b>YOUTH ATHLETIC + FITNESS</b>		
Tee-Ball	3-5	Spring/Fall
Coach Pitch Baseball	5-6	Spring/Fall
Coach Pitch Baseball	6-8	Spring/Fall
Dixie Youth Baseball Minors	8-10	Spring/Fall
Dixie Youth Baseball Ozone	10-12	Spring/Fall
Dixie Boys Baseball	12-14	Spring/Fall
Girls Softball	6 & Under	Spring/Fall
Girls Softball	8 & Under	Spring/Fall
Girls Softball	10 & Under	Spring/Fall
Girls Softball	12 & Under	Spring/Fall
Girls Softball	16 & Under	Spring/Fall
Flag Football	5-7	Spring
Youth Football	7-9	Spring
Youth Football	10-12	Spring
Cheerleading	7-12	Spring
Jr. Cougars Basketball	8-13	Spring
Biddy Basketball	5-7	Winter
Zappers Basketball	8-10	Winter
Hot Shots Basketball	11-14	Winter
Gymnastics	5 & Up	Continuous
Dance	5 & Up	Continuous
Martial Arts	5 & Up	Continuous
Zumba		Continuous
Free Play	All Ages	Continuous

Since 2015, organized youth sports peaked in 2019 with the number of participants at 1,027 (90 teams). Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, however, 2020 program offerings were limited and therefore, program participation significantly impacted. Prior to 2020, baseball saw the largest increase in participation in 2019, with softball, basketball, and cheerleading all increasing and football decreasing.

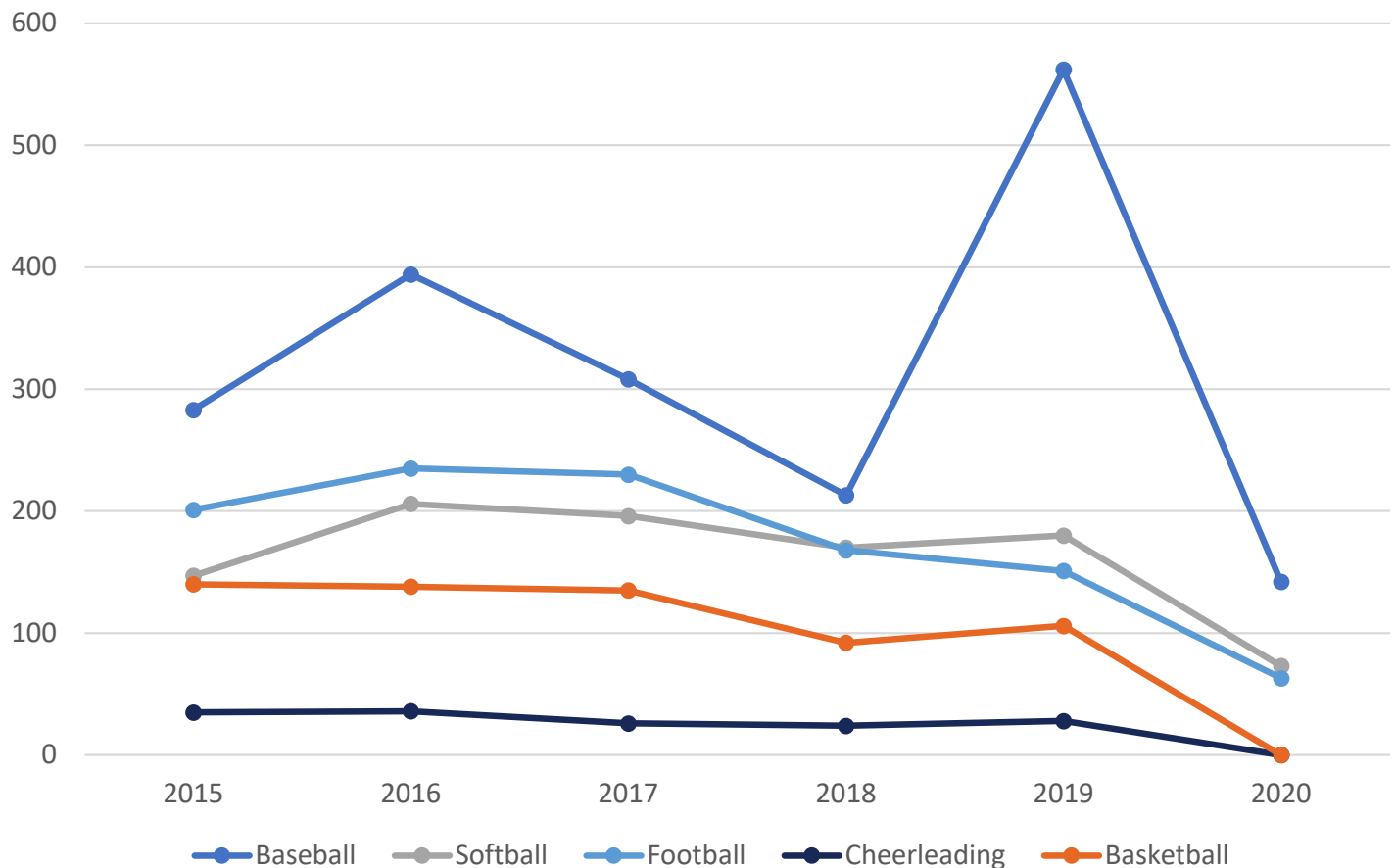
Youth Athletics Participation and Teams 2015 - 2020



### Youth Athletics Participation and Teams 2015 - 2020

PROGRAM	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
	Teams/Participation		Teams/Participation		Teams/Participation		Teams/Participation		Teams/Participation		Teams/Participation	
Baseball	31	283	31	394	26	308	18	213	47	562	12	142
Softball	13	147	19	206	16	196	14	170	13	180	7	73
Football	13	201	22	235	17	230	13	168	12	151	7	63
Cheerleading	6	35	n/a	36	4	26	5	24	4	28	0	0
Basketball	15	140	16	138	20	135	12	92	14	106	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>667</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>1027</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>278</b>

### Youth Athletic Participation by Sport 2015 - 2020



## Other Programming

In addition to seasonal youth athletics, the York Parks and Recreation Department also offers four youth summer camps, adult athletic and fitness programs and manages two community events.

PROGRAM	AGE	SEASON
<b>YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS</b>		
Cougar Baseball Camp	5-14	Summer
Paula Blackwell Basketball Camp	5-15	Summer
Football Camp	7-14	Summer
Rec Camp	8-12	Summer

PROGRAM	AGE	SEASON
<b>ADULT ATHLETICS + FITNESS</b>		
Softball	16 & Up	Spring
Zumba		Continuous
Martial Arts		Continuous

PROGRAM	AGE	SEASON
<b>COMMUNITY EVENTS</b>		
Friday Morning Movies at the Sylvia	All ages	Various
Easter Egg Hunt	12 & Under	Spring



# 3. Community Profile



Jefferson Field

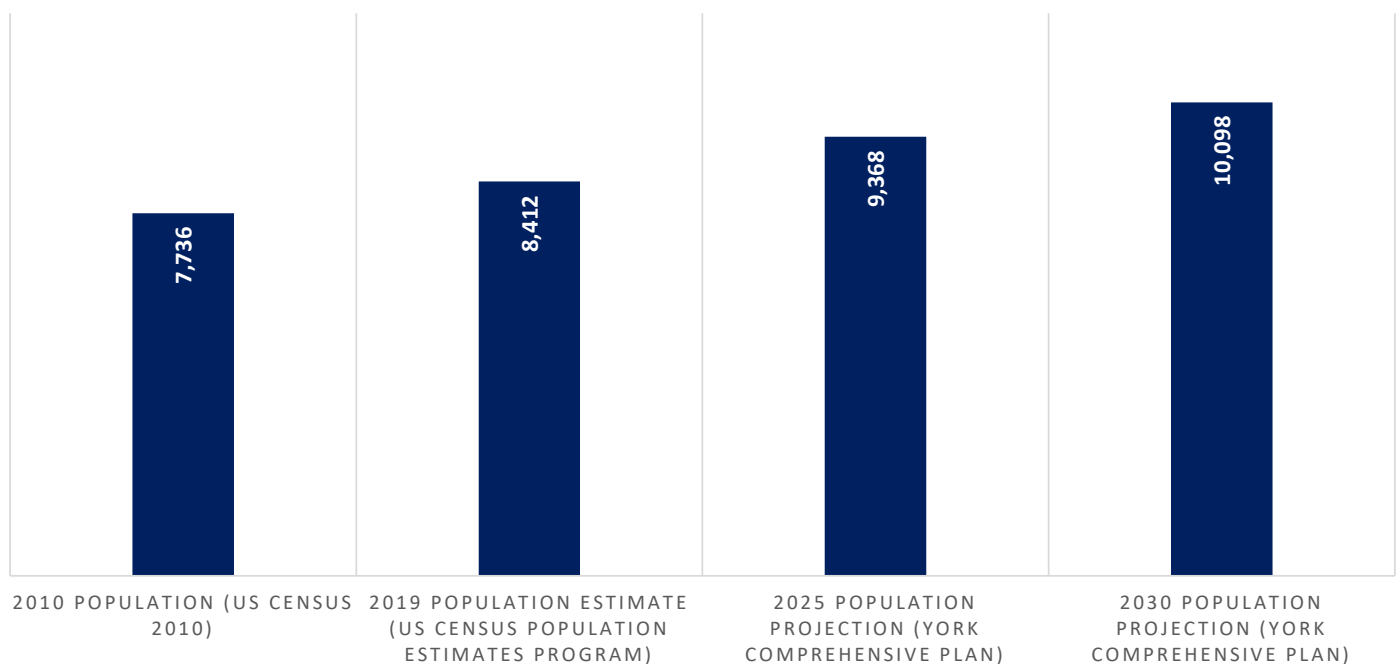
## COMMUNITY DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

The demographic analysis provides an understanding of the population within the City of York and highlights key characteristics like age, income levels, education attainment, race, and ethnicity. This information plays a key role in informing the City of York and the Parks Master Plan as to who the park system serves, as well as identifies growth trends allowing the City to plan a park system to meet current and future needs. All demographic data is from the United States Census of 2010 and the United States Census Bureau 2015-2019 American Community Survey unless otherwise noted.

### Population

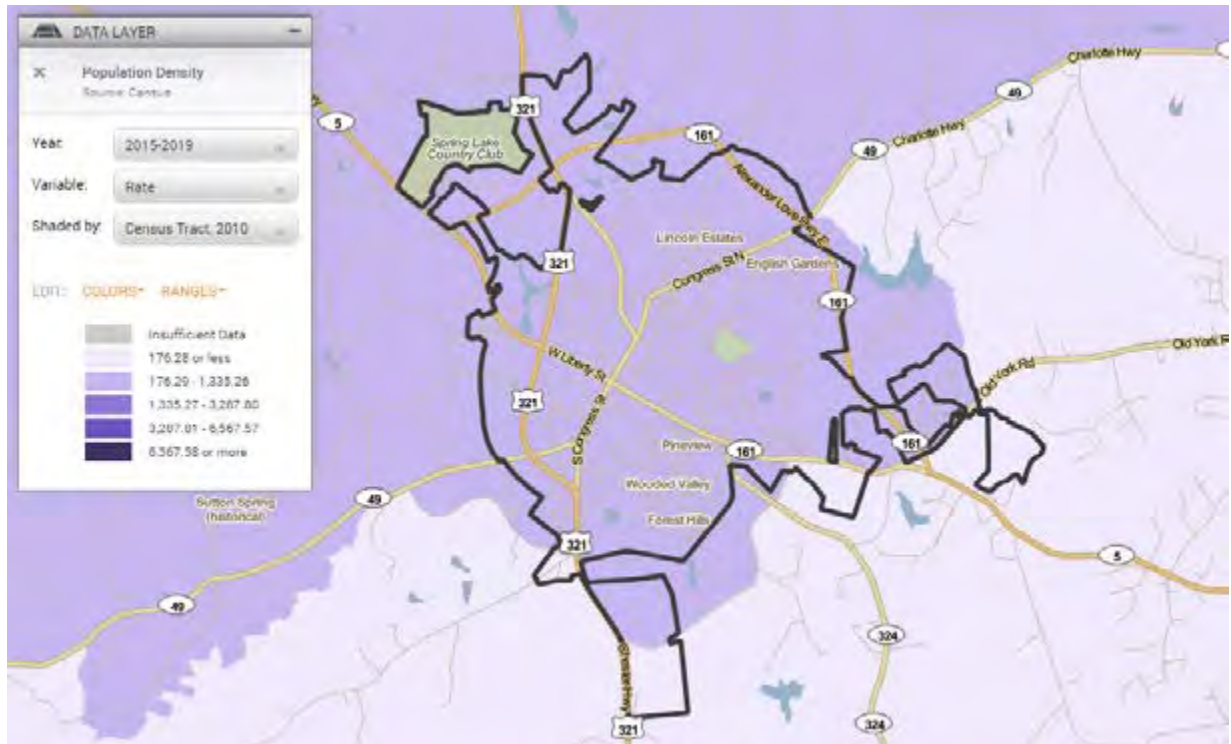
The City of York has experienced stable growth in the past 10 years. From 2010 to 2019, York's population increased 8.3% from 7,736 to 8,412 (United States Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program). As noted in the 2019-2029 Comprehensive Plan, the rapid and continued growth of the Charlotte Metro Area will have an increasing impact on York. The City of York is projected to increase to 9,368 residents in 2025 and to 10,098 in 2030 (2019-2029 York Comprehensive Plan).

#### CITY OF YORK POPULATION



City of York Population Growth	Population	Percent Change
2010 Population (US Census 2010)	7,736	-
2019 Population Estimate (US Census Population Estimates Program)	8,412	8.7%
2025 Population Projection (York Comprehensive Plan)	9,368	11.3%
2030 Population Projection (York Comprehensive Plan)	10,098	7.8%

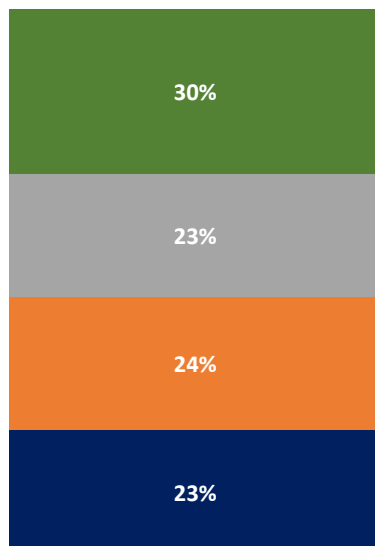
### City of York Population Density



### Age

The median age in the City of York is 37.2, slightly younger than both the York County median age (38.7) and South Carolina median age (39.4). The age distribution of the City is somewhat balanced between age segments. In 2019, residents 55 and older represented the highest percent of the population at 30% while 0 to 18 years old and 35-54 years old represented the lowest percent of the population each at 23%.

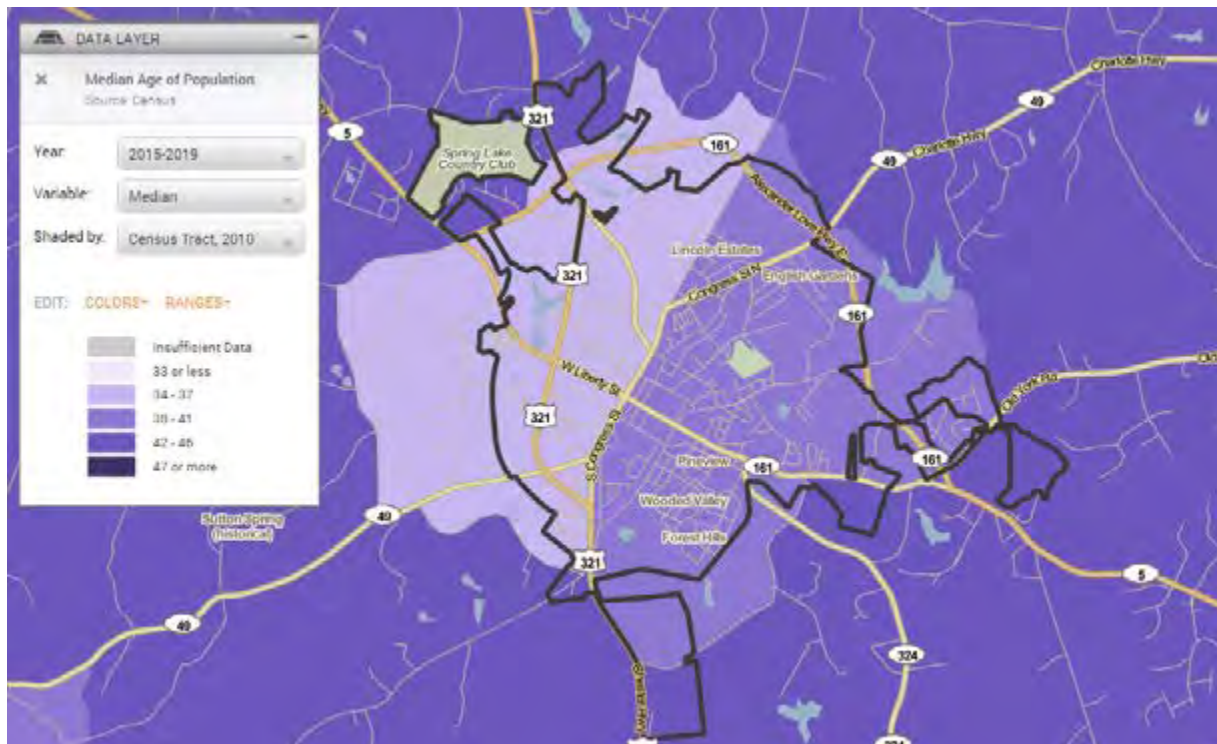
### City of York Population by Age Segment



- 55+
- 35-54
- 19-34
- 0-18

City of York Population Age Segments	Estimate	Percent
0-18	1,879	23%
19-34	1,972	24%
35-54	1,843	23%
55+	2,450	30%

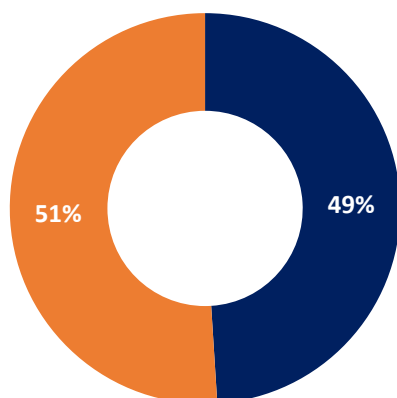
### City of York Median Age



### Sex

The City of York's population is 51% female and 49% male, which is comparable to York County and South Carolina's composition of male and female population.

### City of York Population by Sex



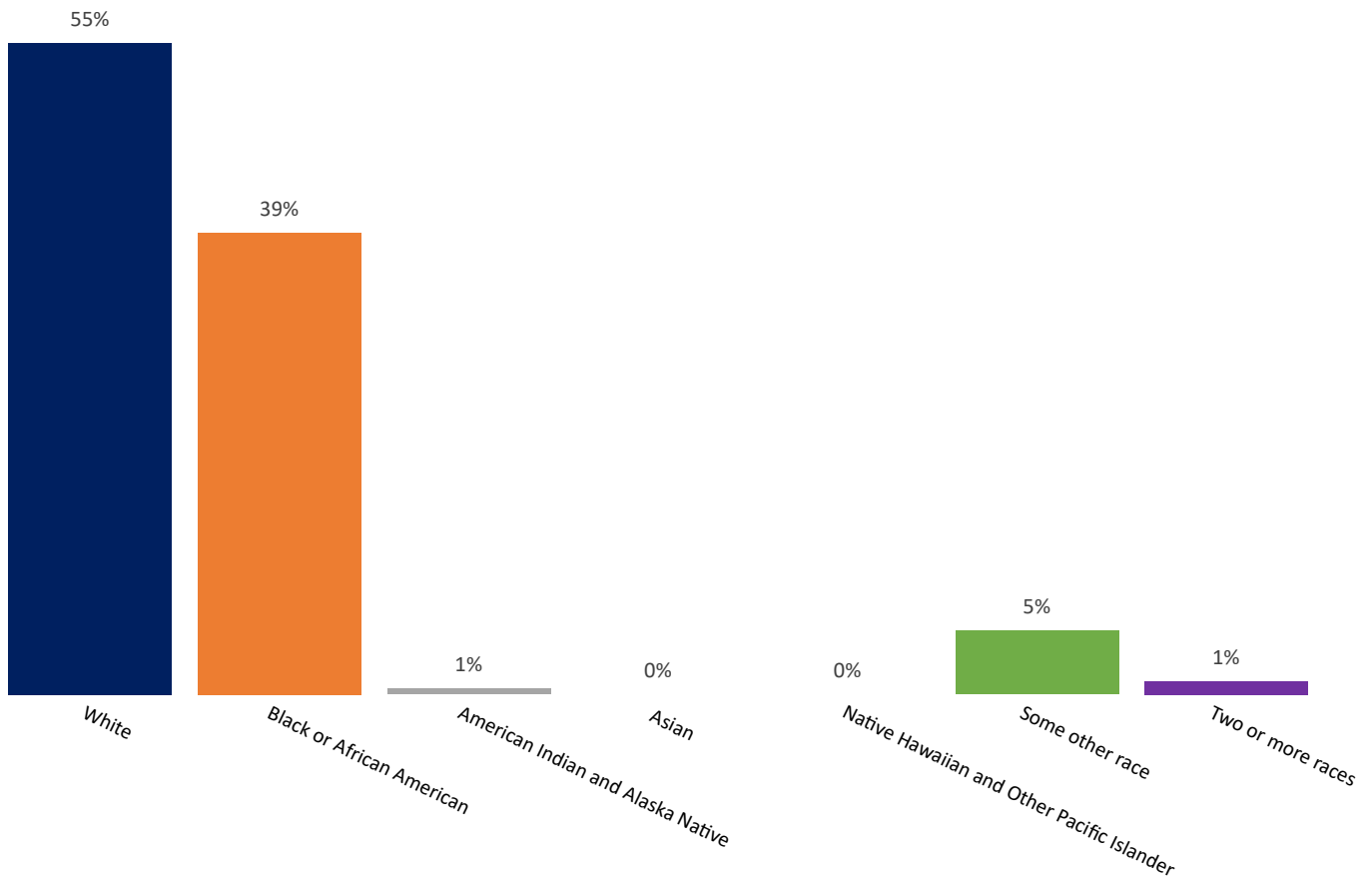
■ Male  
■ Female

City of York Population by Sex	Percent	Estimate
Male	49%	4,005
Female	51%	4,139

## Race and Ethnicity

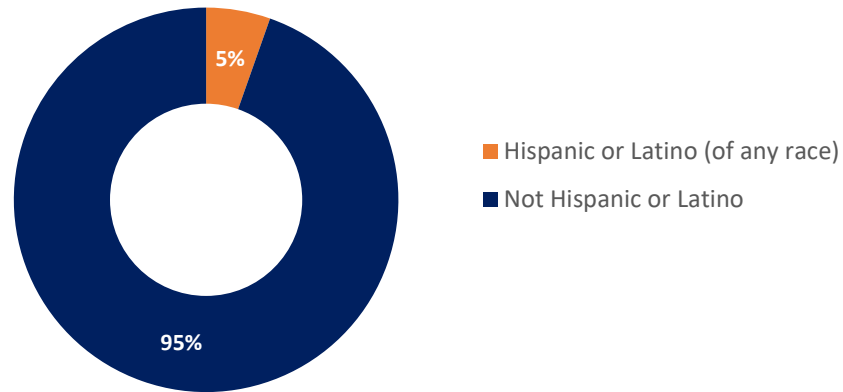
The City of York has a predominantly White and Black or African American population, with 55% of the population White and 39% of the population Black or African American. The City of York population is primarily not of a Hispanic or Latino origin with only 5% of the population identifying as Hispanic or Latino of any race.

City of York Population by Race



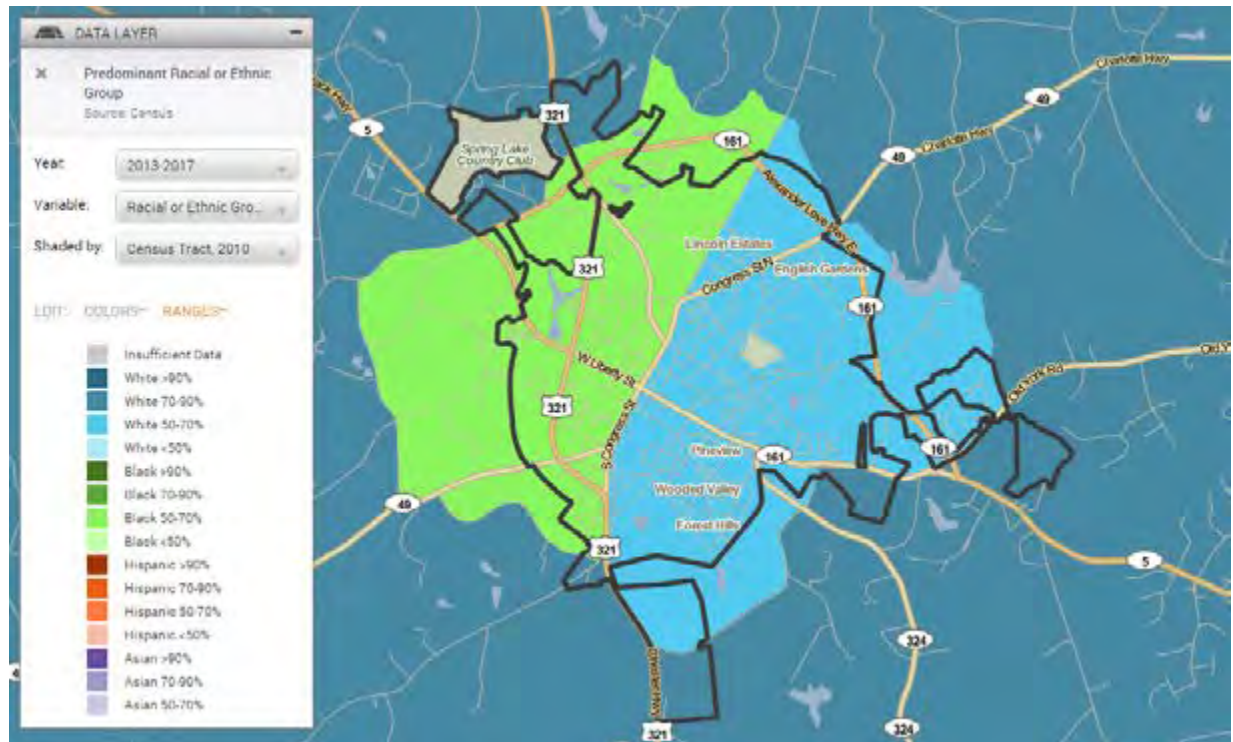
City of York Population by Race	Percent	Estimate
White alone	55%	4,441
Black or African American alone	39%	3,146
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	1%	39
Asian alone	0%	0
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0%	0
Some other race	5%	430
Two or More Races	1%	88

### City of York Population Hispanic or Latino Origin

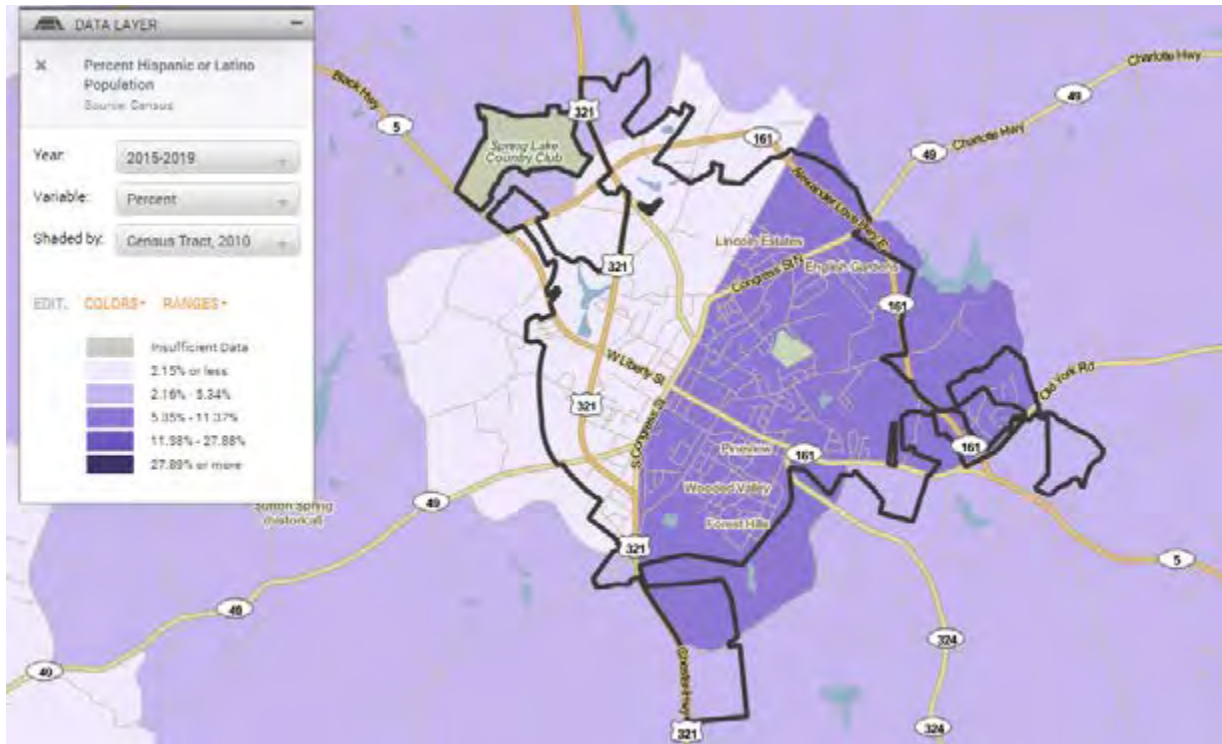


City of York Population Hispanic or Latino	Percent	Estimate
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	5%	443
Not Hispanic or Latino	95%	7,701

### City of York Population by Race



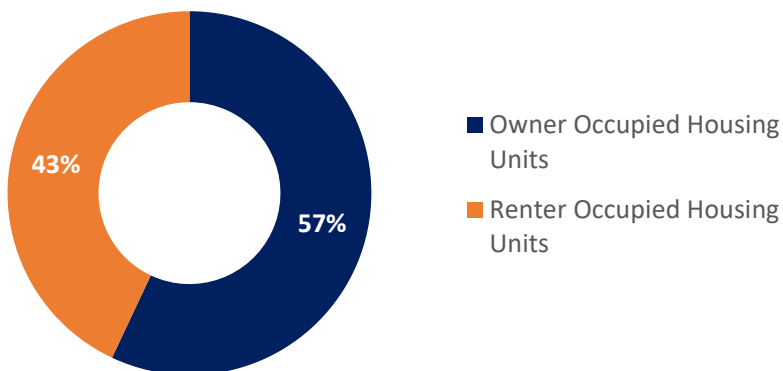
### City of York Hispanic or Latino Origin



### Households

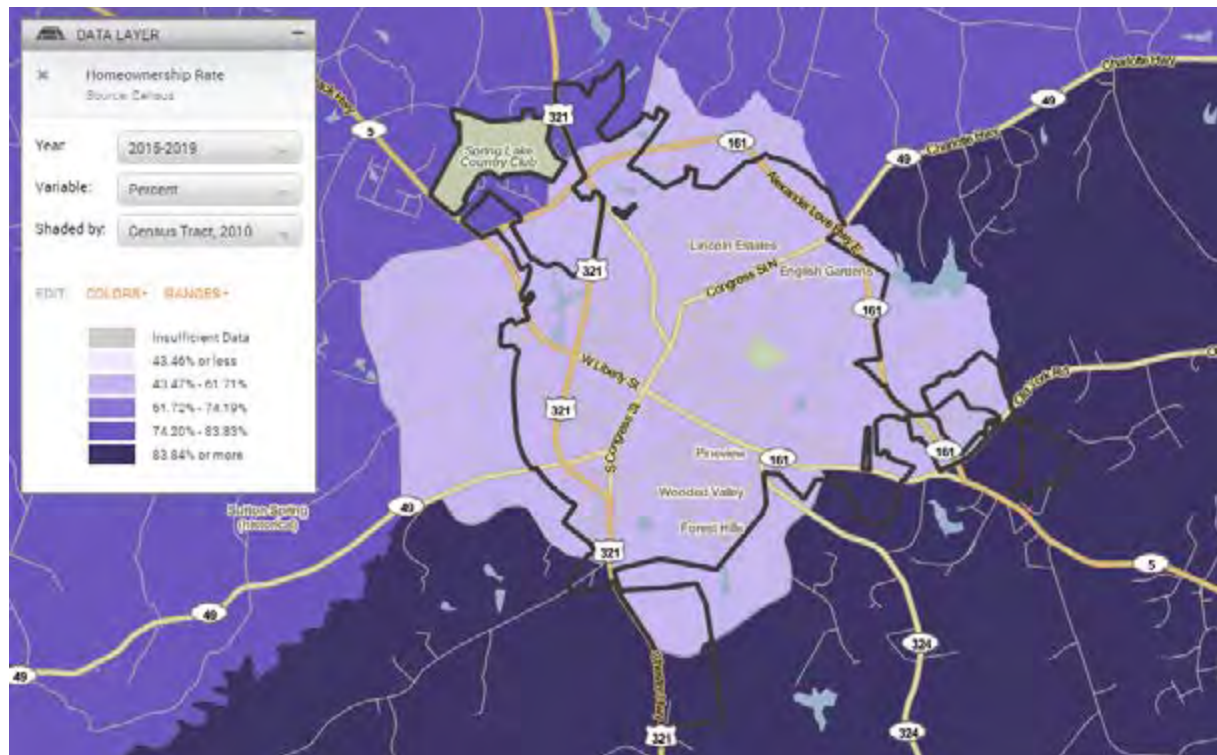
There are 3,572 total households in the City of York and 57% of the housing units are owner occupied, which is slightly lower than York County (72%) and South Carolina's (70%) rate of homeownership. The average household size is 2.37 people and average family size is 2.99 people. The population per square mile is 942.3, which is much higher than York County (332) and South Carolina (153).

### City of York Owner Occupied vs. Renter Occupied Housing Units



City of York	Estimate
Total households	3,572
Owner Occupied	57%
Average household size	2.37
Average family size	2.99
Population per Square Mile	942.3

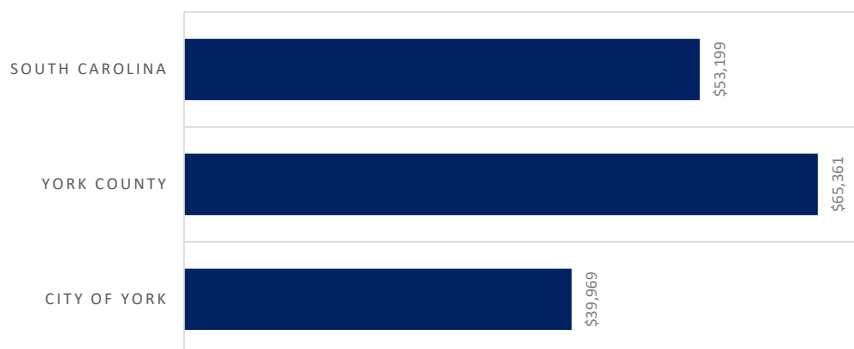
## City of York Homeownership



## Economic Indicators

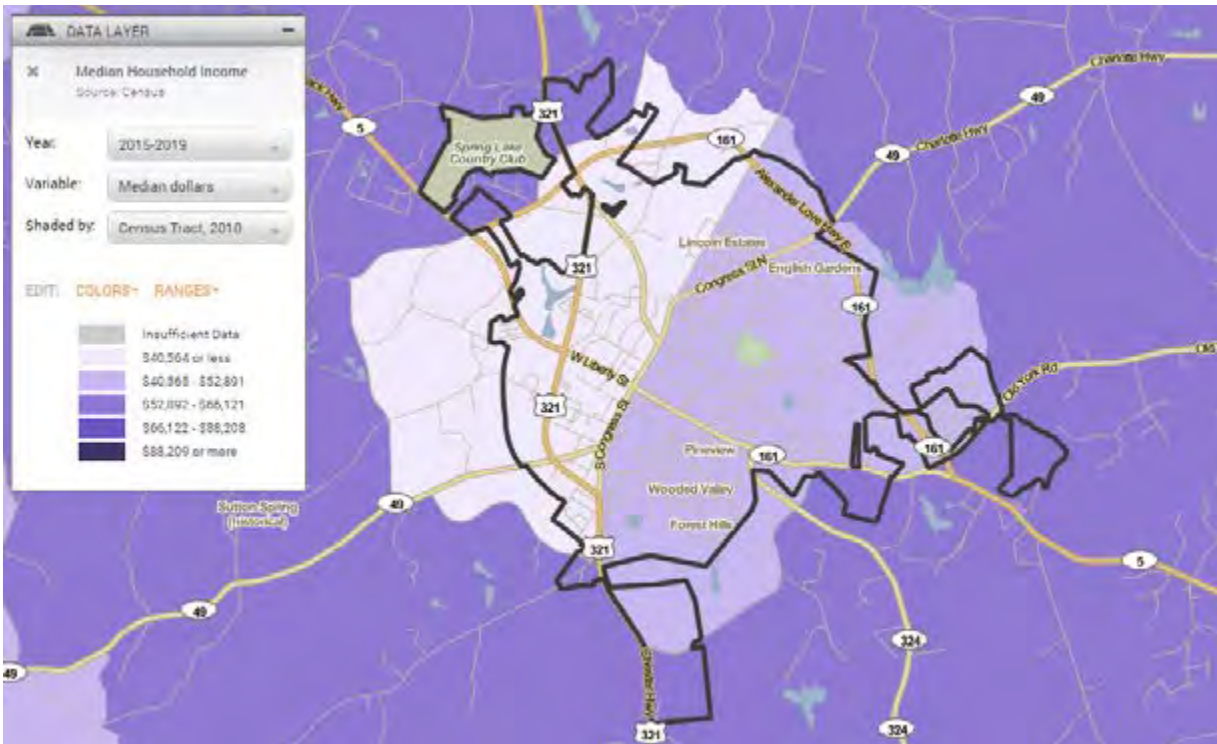
The median household income in the City of York is \$39,969, which is three quarters of South Carolina (\$53,199) and two thirds of York County (\$65,361). The estimated unemployment rate for the City of York is 7.6%, which is higher than York County (5.1%) and South Carolina (5.8%). The percent of families and people living below the poverty level for the past 12 months is 19.6% of the City's population. 38.6% of the population under 18 years old in the City of York live below the poverty level, which is significantly higher than York County (14%) and South Carolina (22%).

## MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

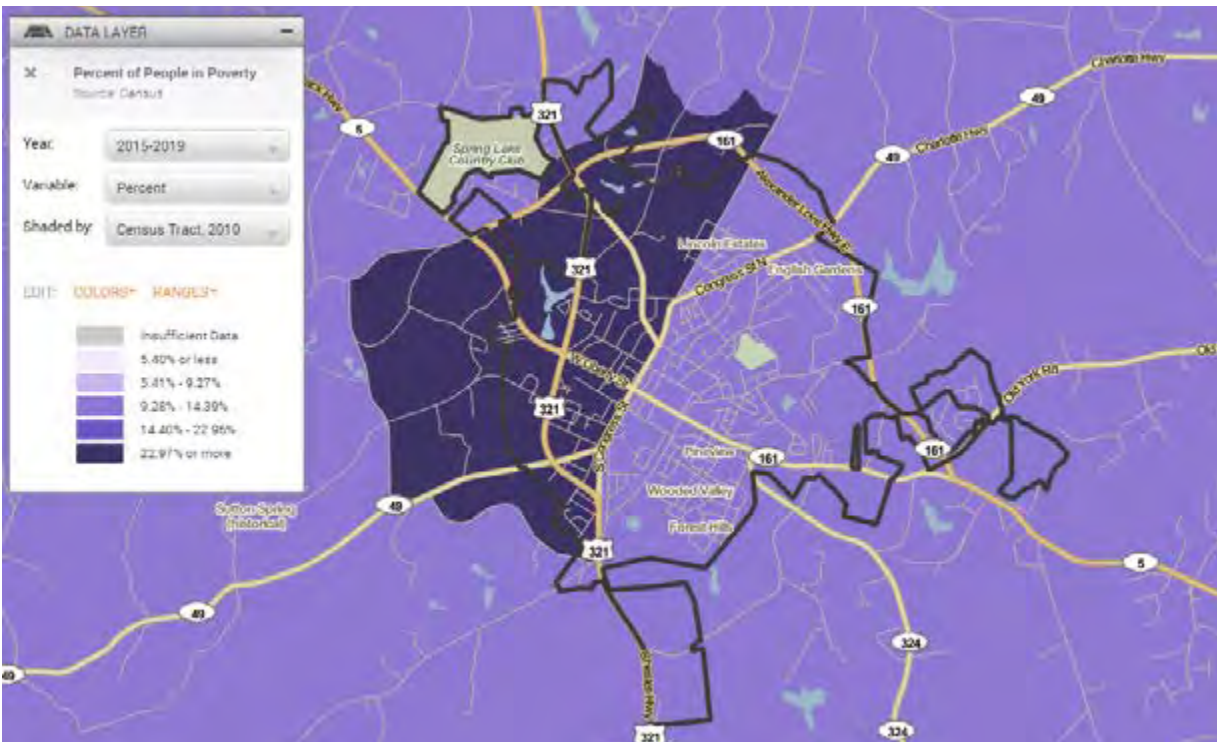


City, County and State Income Comparison	Median Household Income	Per Capital Income
City of York	\$39,969	\$25,342
York County	\$65,361	\$34,010
South Carolina	\$53,199	\$29,426

### City of York Median Income

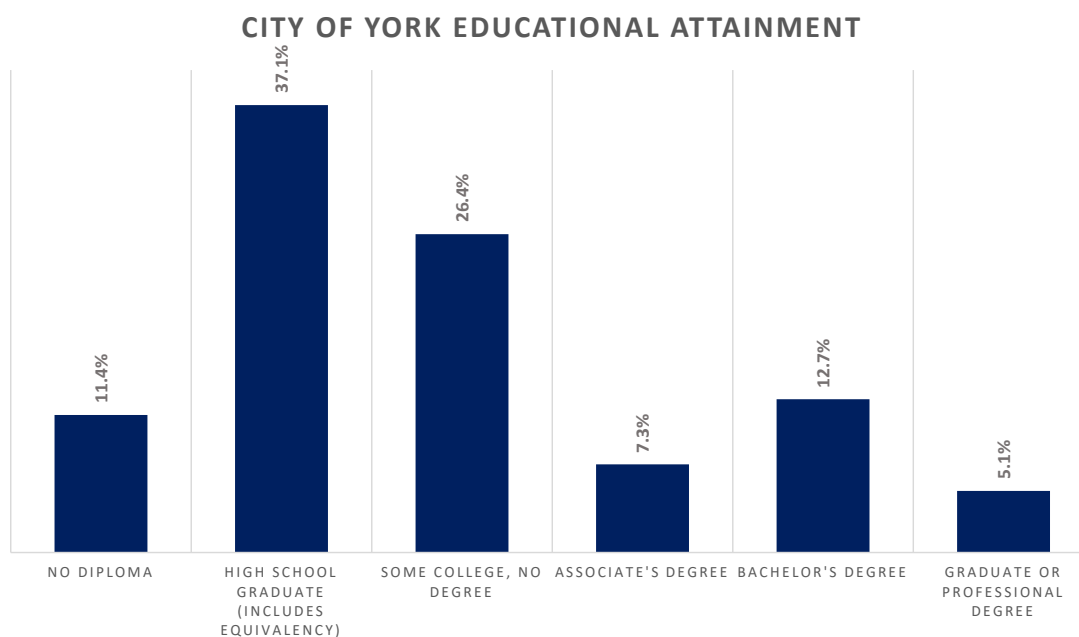


### City of York Percent in Poverty



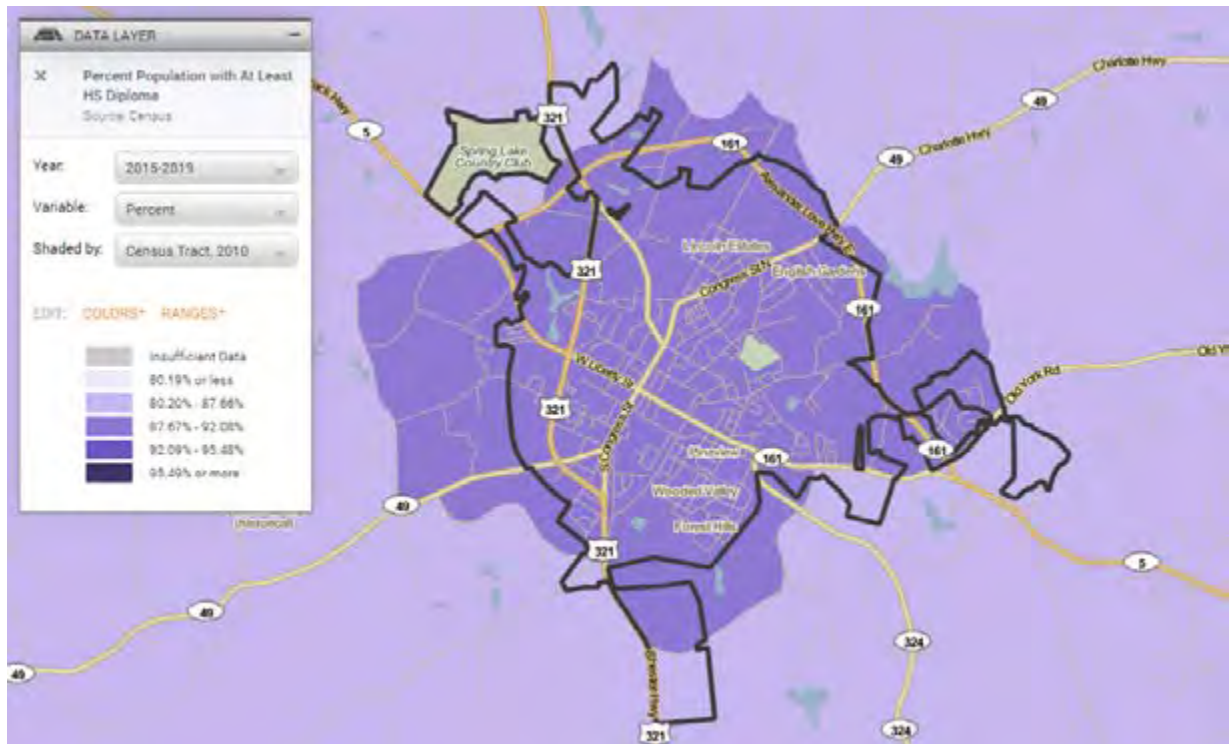
## Educational Attainment

Over 88% of the City of York's 25 years and older population is a high school graduate or higher, which is comparable to York County (90.8%) and South Carolina (87.5%). 18% of the City's 25 years and older population has attained a Bachelor's Degree or higher, which is lower than York County (33.3%) and South Carolina (28.1%).

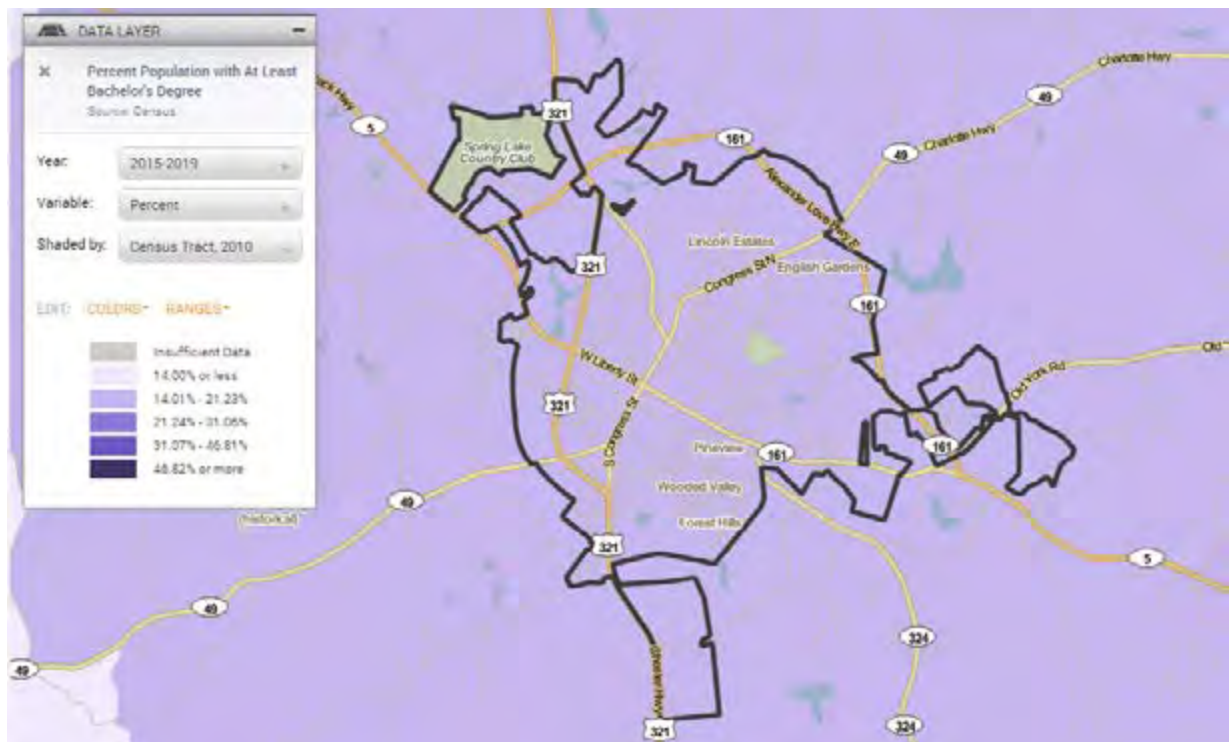


City of York Educational Attainment	Estimate	Percent
High school graduate or higher	4,803	88.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher	968	17.9%

### City of York High School Diploma or More



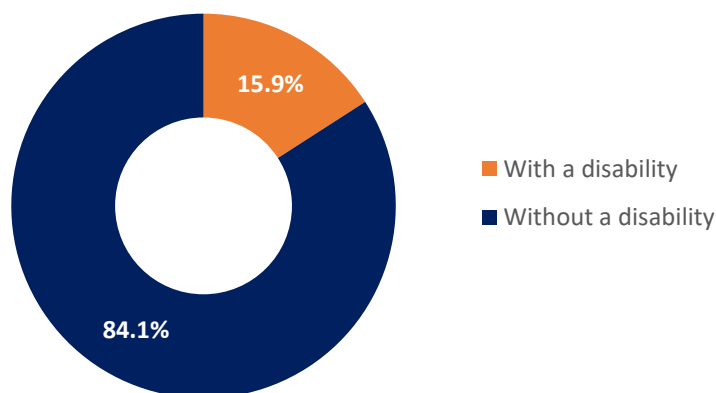
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## Disability

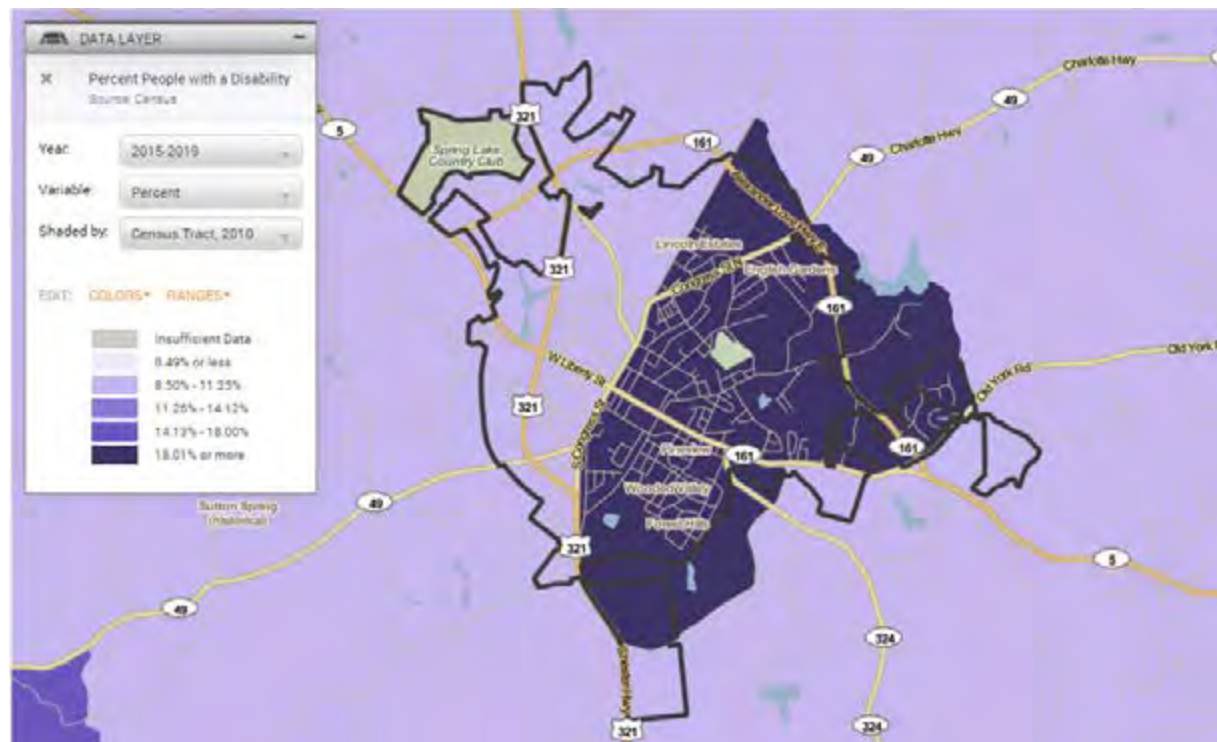
15.9% of the City of York population lives with a disability, which is higher than York County (10.2%) and South Carolina (14.5%) (the US Census reviews the disability status of the civilian non-institutionalized population).

City of York Population with a Disability



City of York Disability Status of the Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	Estimate /Percent
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	7,974
With a disability	15.9%
Under 18 years with a disability	6.4%
18 to 64 years with a disability	14.4%
65 years and over with a disability	36.0%

City of York Percent of Population with a Disability



## 4. Park Inventory + Assessment



Moore Park

## OVERALL PARK SYSTEM

### Existing Park Facilities

The City of York owns, operates, and maintains nine parks and a one-mile bike trail. Additionally, the City also leases and maintains two fields for athletic and recreation programming.

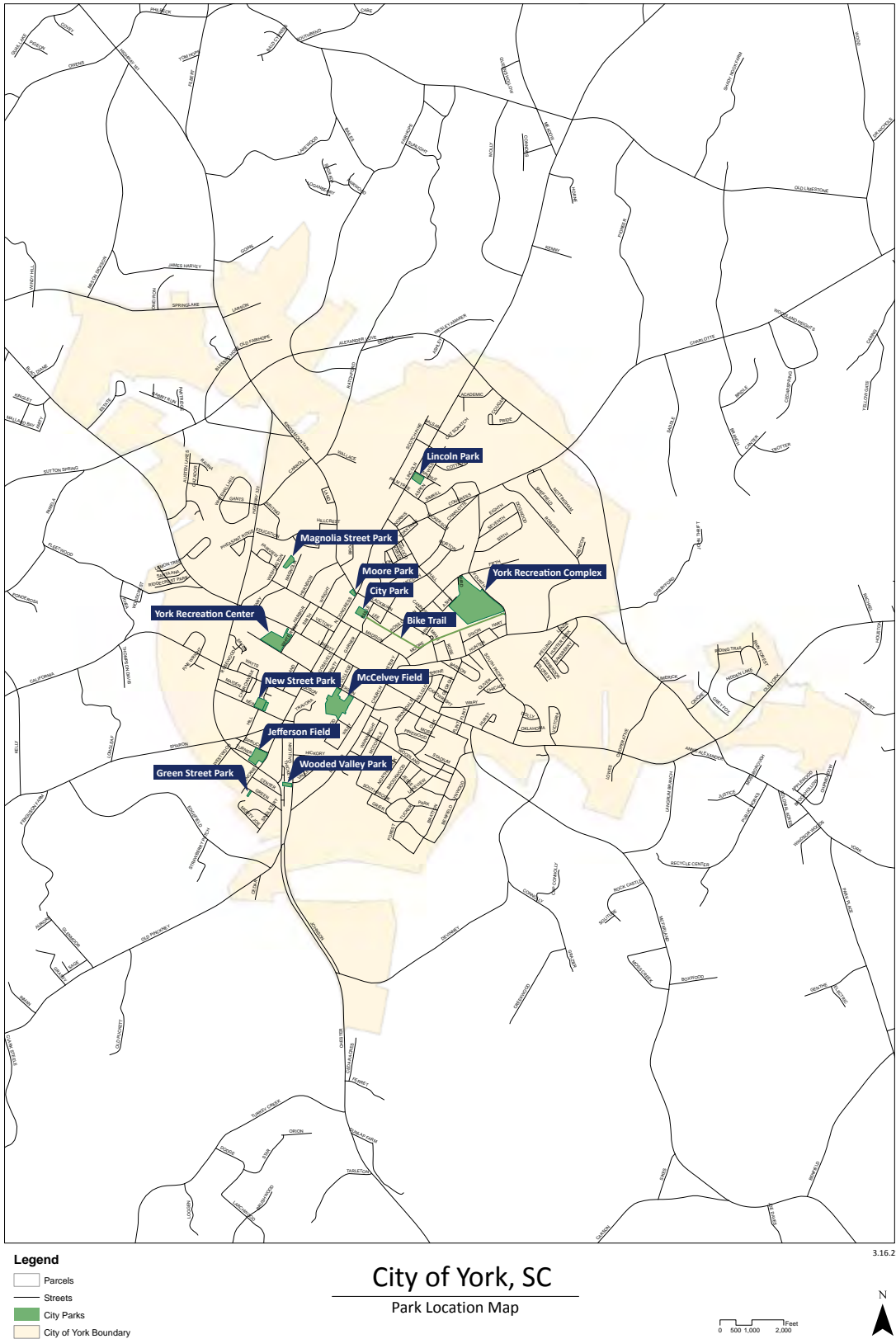
#### Park Facilities Owned, Operated and Maintained by the City of York

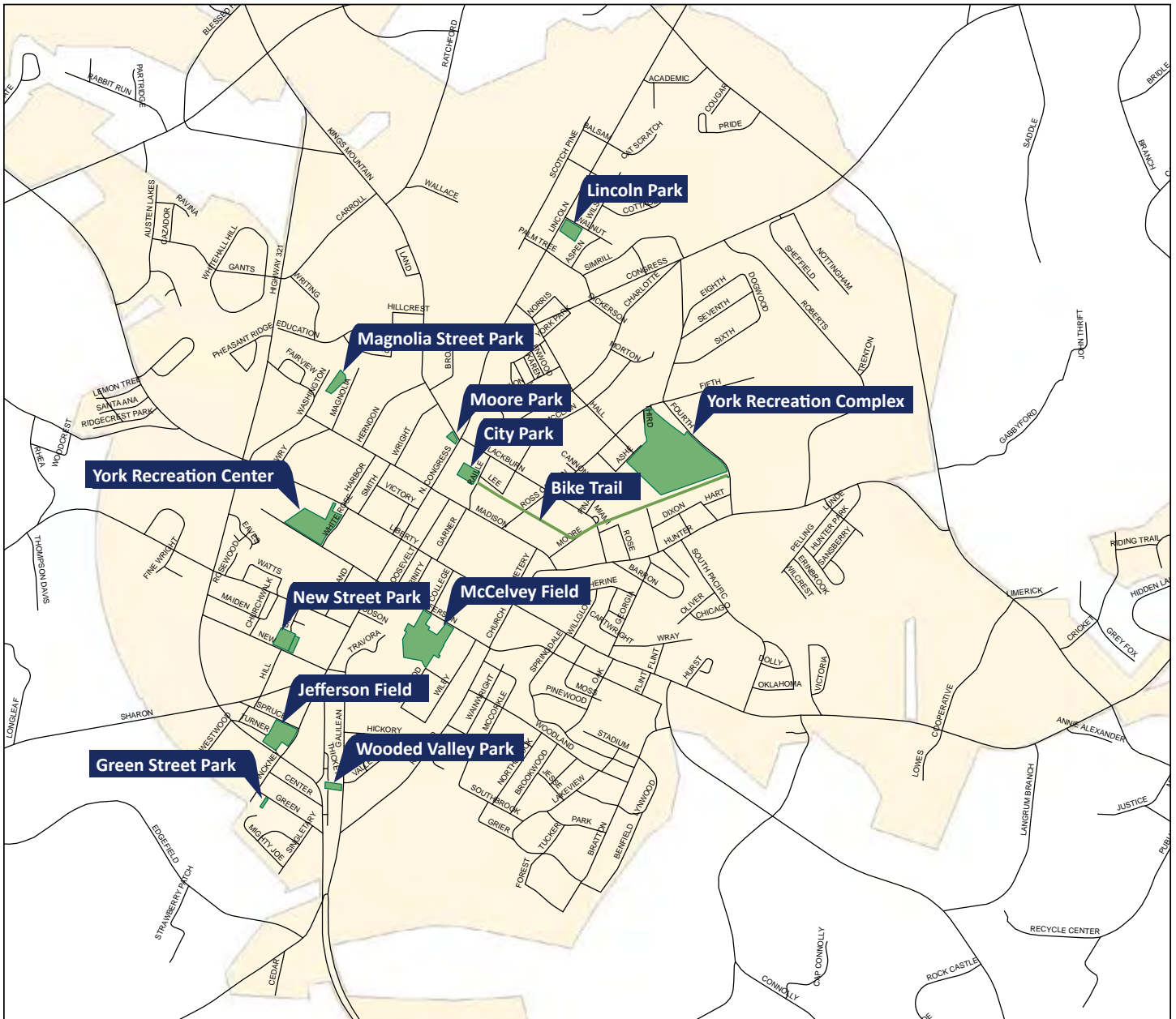
- City Park, 245 Raille Street
- Green Street Park, 41 Green Street
- Lincoln Park, 298 Lincoln Road
- Magnolia Street Park, 33 Magnolia Street
- Moore Park, 131 N. Congress Street
- New Street Park, 104 New Street
- Wooded Valley Park, 190 Galilean Road
- York Recreation Center and Optimist Field, 21 White Rose Lane
- York Recreation Complex, 74 Fourth Street
- Bike Trail – Trailhead at 254 Raille Street

#### Fields Leased and Maintained by the City of York


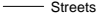

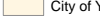
- Jefferson Field, 37 Pinckney Street – Owned by York School District 1
- McCelvey Field, 212 E. Jefferson Street – Owned by York County

The following chapter provides an existing conditions inventory and assessment for each facility listed above.





**Legend**

-  Parcels
-  Streets
-  City Parks
-  City of York Boundary

## City of York, SC

### Park Location Map

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet

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## LINCOLN PARK



ADDRESS  
108 Walnut Street  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
1.8 Acres

## Lincoln Park Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Playground</b>	1			x	1 big kid swing set and 1 infant/toddler swing set; 2 play elements and 1 main play set; 2 gate entry points with fencing to get into playground; metal on play features can get hot with sun exposure; no shade for users; play elements may be slightly dated but in good condition; no real play elements (tot lot) for young kids; mulch playground surfacing is being torn up/holes
<b>Picnic Shelter</b>	1		x		Some cracks in the cement; writing on the wood
<b>Picnic Tables</b>	2		x		In working shape - need to be cleaned up
<b>Grill</b>	1	x			Rust on grill plate
<b>Full Basketball Court</b>	1	x			Painted lines are fading; new chain hoops; no major cracks; standing water near back corner of the court between the parking lot
<b>Tennis Court</b>	1		x		Cracking in cement; paint looks new; net appears to be in good shape; missing fence on backside of court; fence is rusted and bowing in certain sections
<b>Benches</b>	2	x			The wooden bench needs to be replaced; the metal bench is in working condition
<b>Large Open Grassy Area</b>	1		x		Minimal topography on open space adjacent to basketball and tennis courts
<b>Parking</b>	+/-32 sp		x		145'x45' gravel lot so can fit approximately 32 cars; multiple pot holes in driveway access; old timbers;
<b>Formalized Pedestrian Access</b>	0				No sidewalks on Walnut Street or Lincoln Road and no formalized path/trails connecting to park
<b>Signage</b>	3		x		Park hours sign on picnic shelter; PARD and LWCF sign on playground fence; need sign near roadway
<b>Trash Can</b>	2		x		Plastic rollout trash cans
<b>Lighting</b>	5		x		Unsure of operating condition due to visiting during day; one light near the playground and four near the basketball and tennis courts; some light fixtures are without light bulbs and covers

**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

Strange corner created where fencing comes together for playground, making for difficult for maintenance.

Rubber mats near the playground entrance.

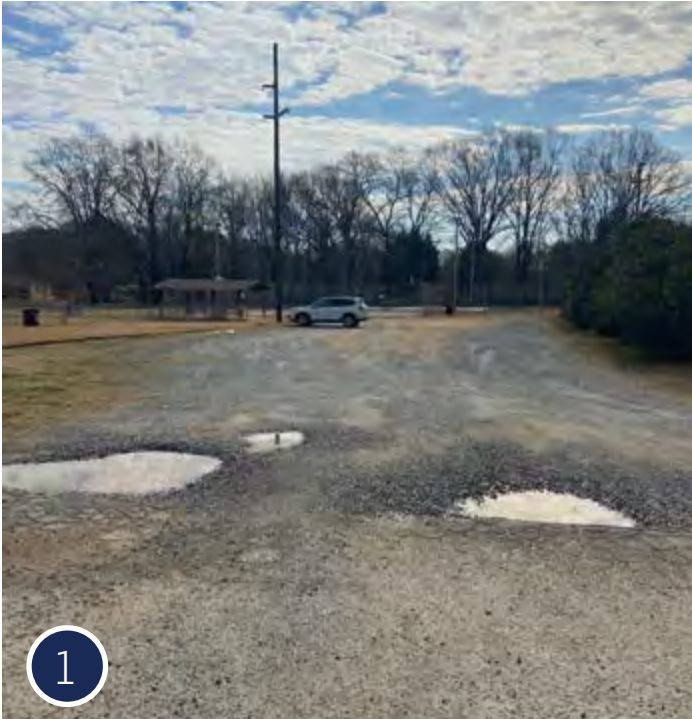
Lincoln Road appears to be a busy street.

Some litter in the parking lot. Saw a local resident picking up the trash.

In a residential setting, so a lot of eyes on the park.

It is open and visible without any sight line obstructions.

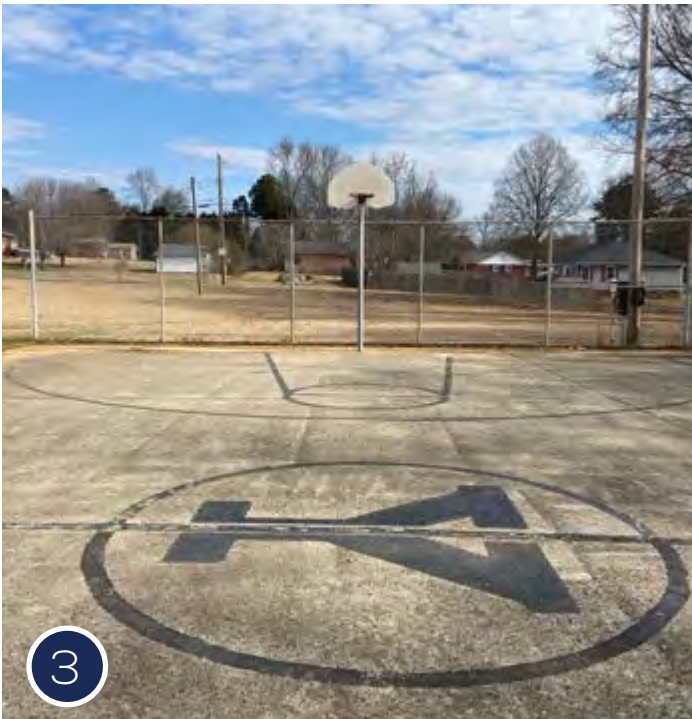
Saw a resident walking his dog and appears that this is frequent. A dog station might be helpful to have at the park.



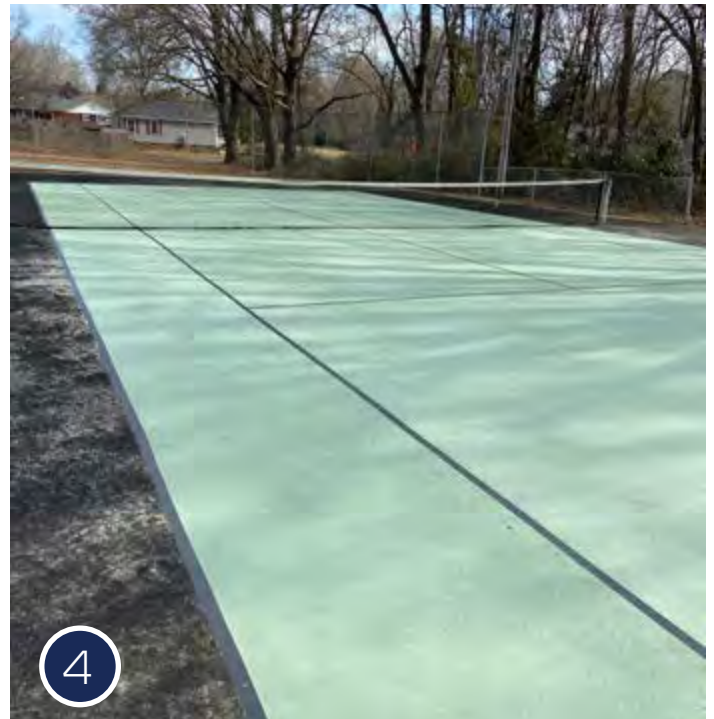
- Potholes in driveway access
- Gravel parking lot



- Picnic shelter, two picnic tables and grill
- Park sign



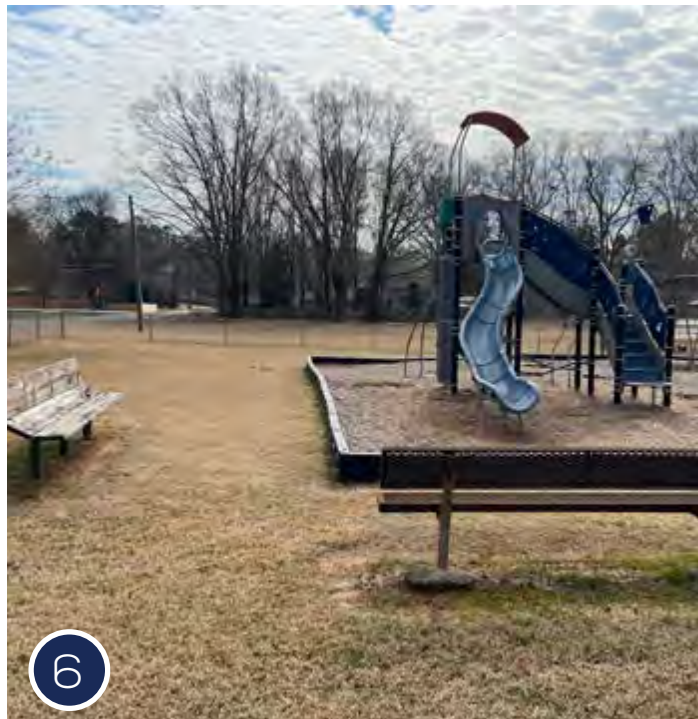
- Concrete basketball court



- Tennis court



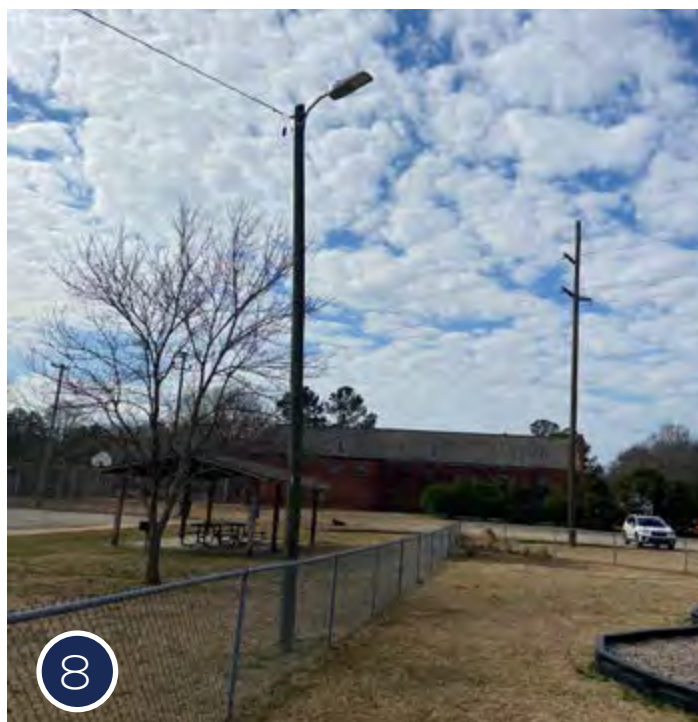
- Large open grassy area adjacent to courts



- 5-12 playground elements
- Two playground benches



- Two swing sets
- Fencing around playground



- Light near playground

## MOORE PARK



ADDRESS  
131 N. Congress St.  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
.4 Acres

## Moore Park Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Gazebo</b>	1		x		Needs to be cleaned/painted; plants around it are too big; wind chime around it is a nice feature
<b>Flagpole</b>	1			x	Flagpole has a light
<b>Picnic Table</b>	1	x			Metal; needs to be cleaned up; not mounted to the concrete slab it sits on
<b>Grill</b>	1	x			Looks dirty and like it is not often used; mounted to the ground
<b>Brick Pathway</b>	+/-180LF		x		Mud over a good portion of the pathway; Approximately 4 feet wide
<b>Bench</b>	5		x		1 concrete bench and 4 metal benches; metal bench needs to be cleaned
<b>Water Spigot</b>	1	x			Rusty and appears to be old
<b>Metal Archway</b>	1			x	Memorial plaque; May want to relocate
<b>Concrete Bird Bath</b>	1		x		May want to relocate
<b>Parking</b>	n/a				One curb cut but no dedicated parking; can park across the street
<b>Formalized Pedestrian Access</b>	1			x	Sidewalks on both Kings Mountain Street and N. Congress Street; formal connection to sidewalk on N. Congress Street; close to downtown York
<b>Signage</b>	2			x	Historical society sign at corner of intersection and park hours sign tuck back in picnic area - hard to see
<b>Trash Can</b>	3		x		Plastic mounted trash can, plastic roll out trash can and metal wire frame trash can
<b>Lighting</b>	1		x		A light is in the gazebo

**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

Clean

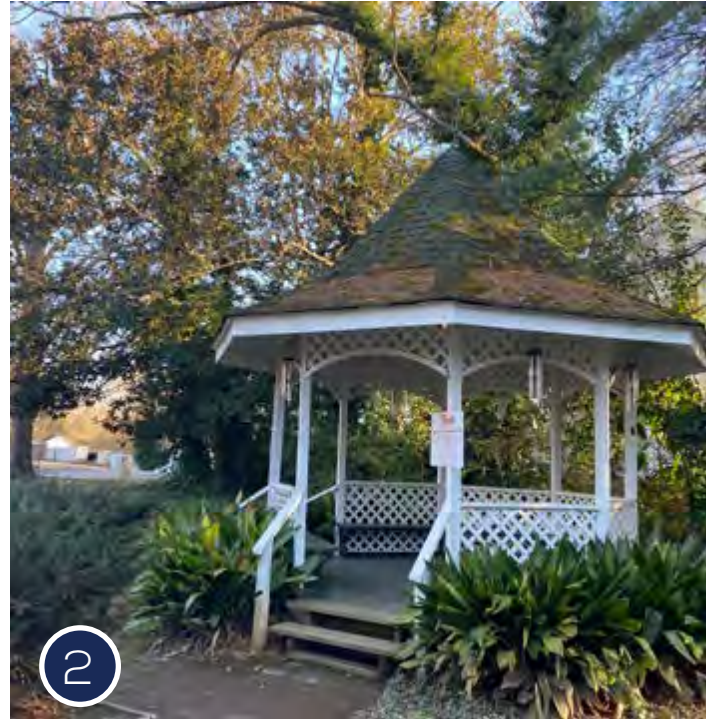
Very visible from the street

Picnic area is tucked in the back of the park

No site furniture is mounted to the ground



- Park sign
- Visible from roadway



- Gazebo with landscaping



- Interior of gazebo with seating



- Brick pathway connecting to N. Congress Street sidewalk



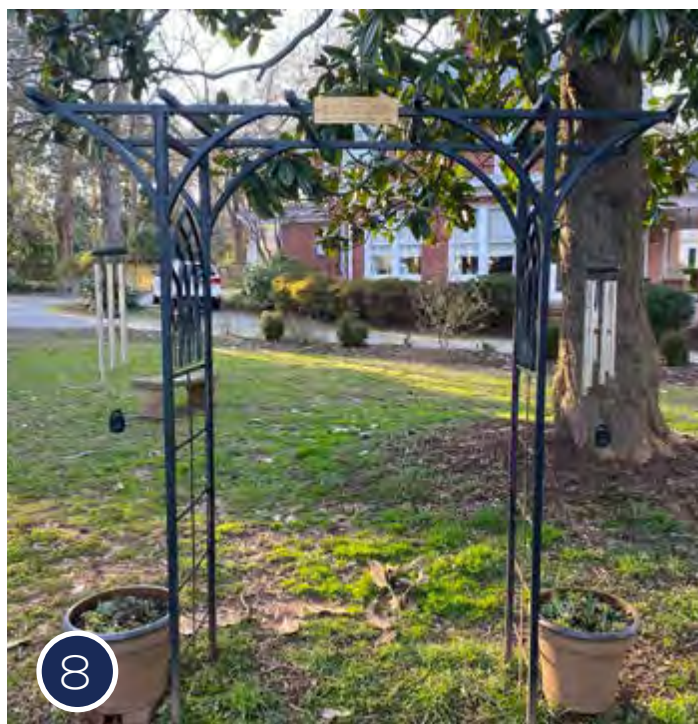
- Picnic table, grill and trash can



- Benches surrounding gazebo



- Dirt accumulating on brick pathway



- Metal archway

## CITY PARK



ADDRESS  
245 Raille Street  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
1.8 Acres

## City Park Inventory and Assessment

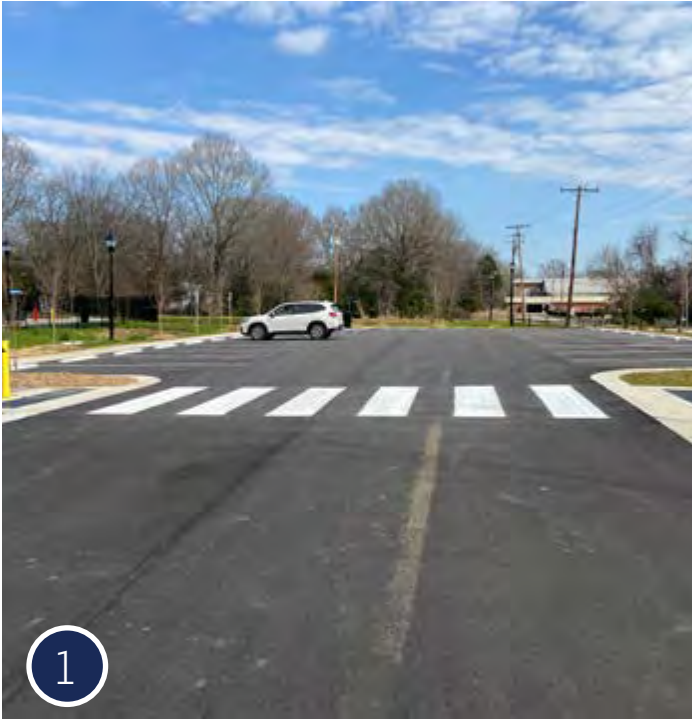
Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
Picnic Shelter	2			x	New
Picnic Tables	4			x	New
Benches	4			x	New
Fencing				x	New; Enclosing the entire park; black aluminum
Splash Pad	1			x	New
Sidewalk inside the park				x	New
Open Grassy Area				x	
Parking	30 PS + 2 ADA			x	One way parking lot; two driveways
Formalized Pedestrian Access	2			x	Two formalized pedestrian access points; new bike trail that will connect people to Congress Street; access off of Raile Street is ADA accessible; access closer to Congress Street is stairs; paved connection from the Bike Trail over Raile Street; additional paved connection from Raile Street to the park
Signage	n/a				No current signage but City is working on funding for kiosks
Trash Can	8			x	New
Lighting	12			x	New pedestrian scaled lighting

**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

A lot of connectivity to bring people into the park

Trees planted - no formalized landscaping beds but stormwater control provides natural aesthetic

More time consuming maintenance for this park with fencing and edging



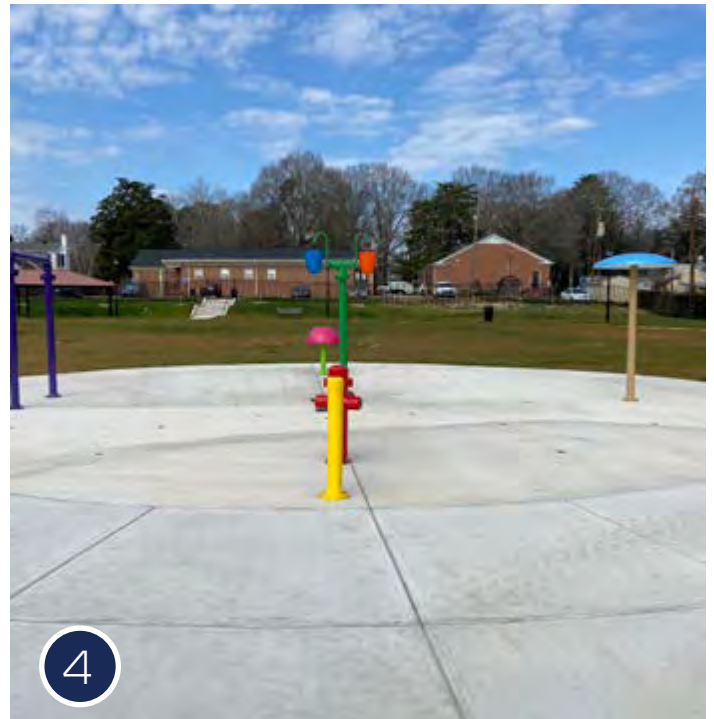
- Paved parking lot
- Pedestrian crossings with painted crosswalk



- Paved sidewalk to Raille Street



- New extension of the Bike Trail



- Splash Pad



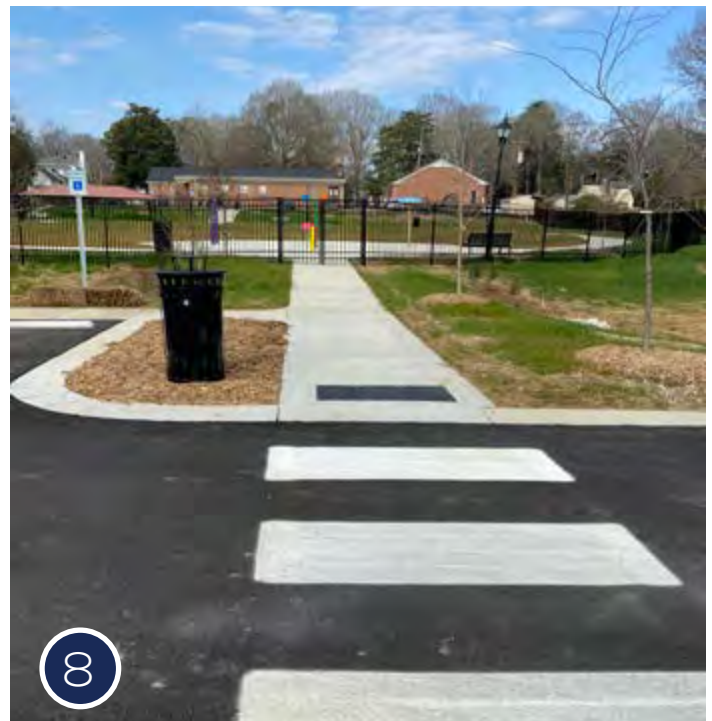
- Bench and pedestrian lighting in park



- Picnic shelter and picnic tables in park



- Grassy open area and second picnic shelter



- Main entrance to park

## YORK RECREATION COMPLEX



ADDRESS  
74 Fourth Street  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
40 Acres

## York Recreation Complex Inventory and Assessment

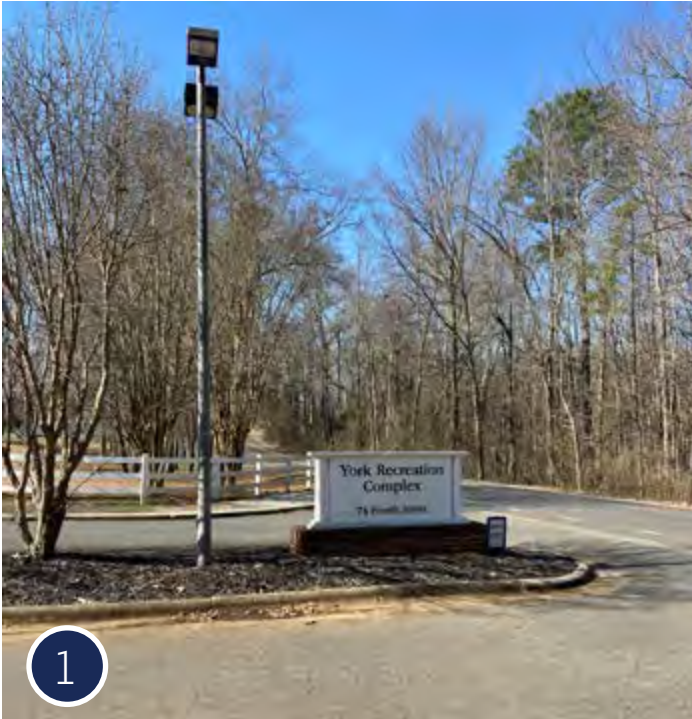
Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Dog Park</b>	1	x			Approximately .15 acres; 2 benches in the fenced in area in good condition; not a large space for dogs to run; in need of shade and play amenities; has one dog station; access from parking lot
<b>Horseshoe Courts</b>	8	x			Overgrown vegetation; can access from the parking lot; need a sidewalk connector for back entrance; large amount of standing water at back entrance
<b>Picnic Shelters</b>	3		x		Shelter by main entrance has six tables and two new grills and two rolling trash cans; shelter by the main entrance is in wooded area providing nice private space for gatherings and has good sidewalk connections from the parking lot and to paved trail; shelter by the playground has four tables, a rollout trashcan and a grill; the playground shelter provides shaded area for parents watching kids on the playground; the playground shelter has no sidewalk connections to it; the dog park shelter has two tables and a trashcan; the dog park shelter has no sidewalk connections to it; all shelters are in working condition but in need of some updates to refresh the outdoor spaces
<b>Picnic Tables</b>	12		x		Tables are in working condition; some in need of repainting/refinishing/cleaning
<b>Grills</b>	3		x	x	Two grills by main entrance shelter are in great condition - look new; the grill by the playground shelter is in good condition but has some rust
<b>Playground</b>	1			x	New 5-12 structure; more elements needed for younger kids; mulch in some areas is thin so creating muddy areas; the edge creates accessibility issues; 2 benches and 2 trashcans near the playground; 1 light near the playground
<b>Paved walking trail</b>	1 mile +		x		Well lit but not sure of operating condition of lights since visited during the day; trail provides benches and dog station; paved surface is in good condition but there is some cracking; sidewalk connection around the fields is very wide making pedestrians feel safe with vehicular traffic and have painted crosswalks when cross roadway

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
Parking	2 lots		x		Main entrance lot has 19 spaces plus 2 ADA spaces; main entrance lot provides parking for shelter and people using the trail; during visit saw a lot of people parking to go walk; main large parking lot has +/- 310 parking spaces with 11 ADA spaces; the large parking lot has five lights and 15 trashcans; landscaping in main lot should be updated
Formalized Pedestrian Access	6		x		Paved asphalt trail connects to sidewalk on Ross Cannon Street; two concrete sidewalks connect to Fourth Street but no sidewalks on Fourth Street; paved asphalt trail connects to Bike Trail; paved asphalt trail connects to Ashe Street but gate locked during visit
Signage			x		Park name sign at Fourth Street entrance; Variety of signs throughout the park; park rules, no bicycles/skateboards, dogs on leash signs near main entrance shelter; speed limit and slow children playing and no parking signs along roadway; no park signage on paved trail on Ross Cannon Street; Welcome to York Recreation on roadway near ball fields; playground rules; dog park regulations, PARD, for ball fields have spectator reminders, no dogs, no drones, no bikes, LWCF signs at entrance
Field 1 Playing Surface (Infield/Outfield)			x		300' to center field
Field 1 Dugouts	2		x		
Field 1 Fencing			x		
Field 1 Backstops and Netting			x		
Field 1 Bleachers	1		x		Concrete bleachers with metal seats behind center plate; 4 rows 20' long each; shade screen can be added
Field 1 Scoreboard	1		x		
Field 1 Lighting	4		x		
Field 2 Playing Surface (Infield/Outfield)			x		300' to center field; one portable pitching mound on right field side
Field 2 Dugouts	2		x		
Field 2 Fencing			x		
Field 2 Backstops and Netting			x		
Field 2 Bleachers	1		x		Concrete bleachers with metal seats behind center plate; 4 rows 20' long each; shade screen can be added
Field 2 Scoreboard	1		x		
Field 2 Lighting	6		x		
Field 3 Playing Surface (Infield/Outfield)			x		300' to center field
Field 3 Dugouts	2		x		
Field 3 Fencing			x		

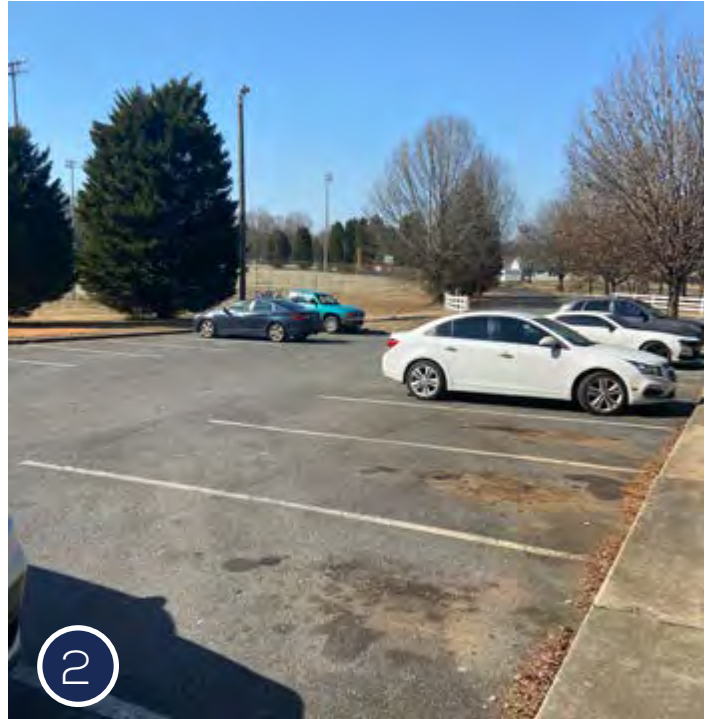
Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Field 3 Backstops and Netting</b>			x		Netting also in left field
<b>Field 3 Bleachers</b>			x		Concrete bleachers with metal seats behind center plate; 4 rows 20' long each; shade screen can be added
<b>Field 3 Scoreboard</b>	1		x		
<b>Field 3 Lighting</b>	5		x		
<b>Field 4 Playing Surface (Infield/Outfield)</b>			x		300' to center field
<b>Field 4 Dugouts</b>	2		x		
<b>Field 4 Fencing</b>			x		
<b>Field 4 Backstops and Netting</b>			x		
<b>Field 4 Bleachers</b>	2		x		16' metal bleachers with 4 rows shade screen can be added; 16' metal bleachers with 4 rows and no shade screen
<b>Field 4 Scoreboard</b>	1		x		
<b>Field 4 Lighting</b>	6		x		
<b>Field 5 Playing Surface (Infield/Outfield)</b>			x		285' to center field
<b>Field 5 Dugouts</b>	2		x		Left field side dugout has no roof
<b>Field 5 Fencing</b>			x		
<b>Field 5 Backstops and Netting</b>			x		No netting
<b>Field 5 Bleachers</b>	5		x		3 sets of 16' long 5 row metal bleachers on third base line and 2 sets of 16' long 5 row metal bleachers on first base line; appears shade screen can be added
<b>Field 5 Scoreboard</b>	1		x		
<b>Field 5 Lighting</b>	8		x		
<b>Field 5 Restroom/Concession</b>	1		x		
<b>Field 1-4 Restroom/Concession</b>	1		x		

**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

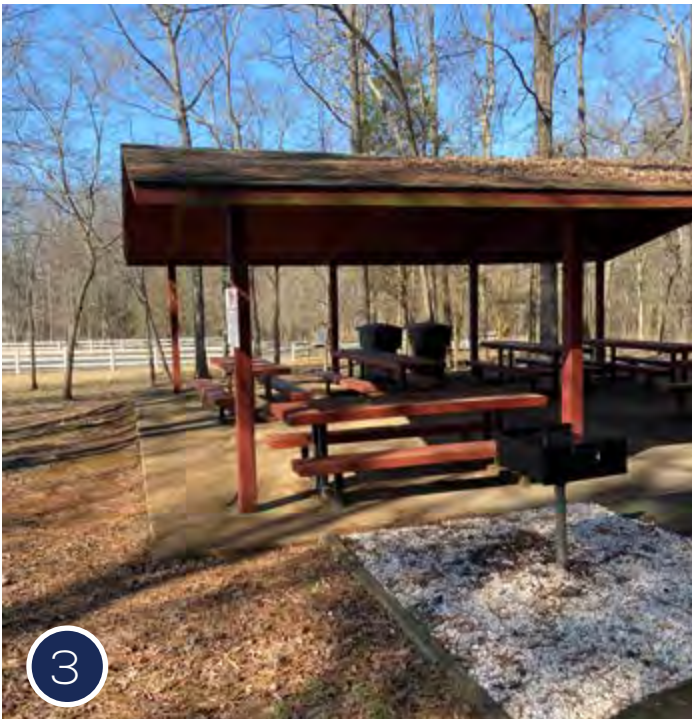
Overall a very walkable facility and saw many people utilizing the complex for walking and recreating. Outside of shade screens on bleachers, little shade within the facility for spectators.



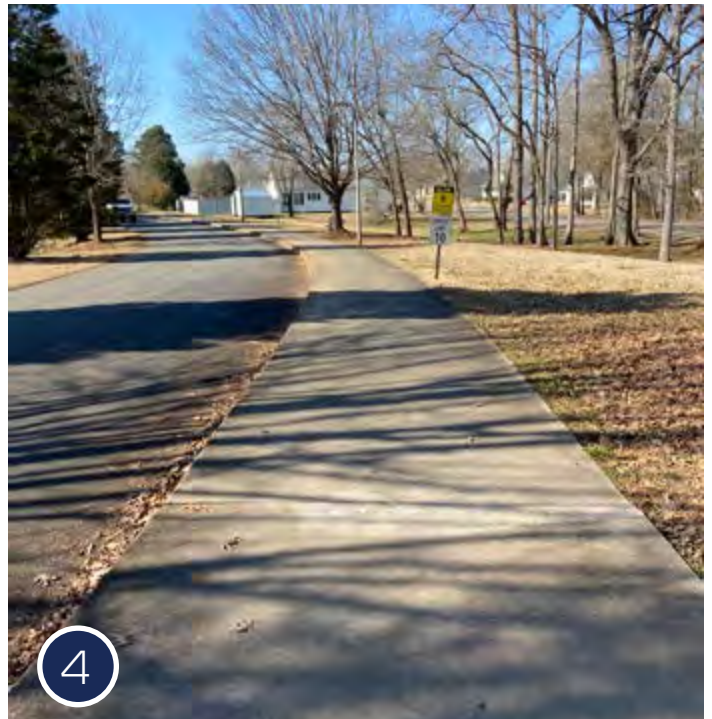
- Park sign on Fourth Street



- Small parking lot for picnic shelter and walking trail



- Picnic shelter and tables near main entrance on Fourth Street



- Roadway to main parking area



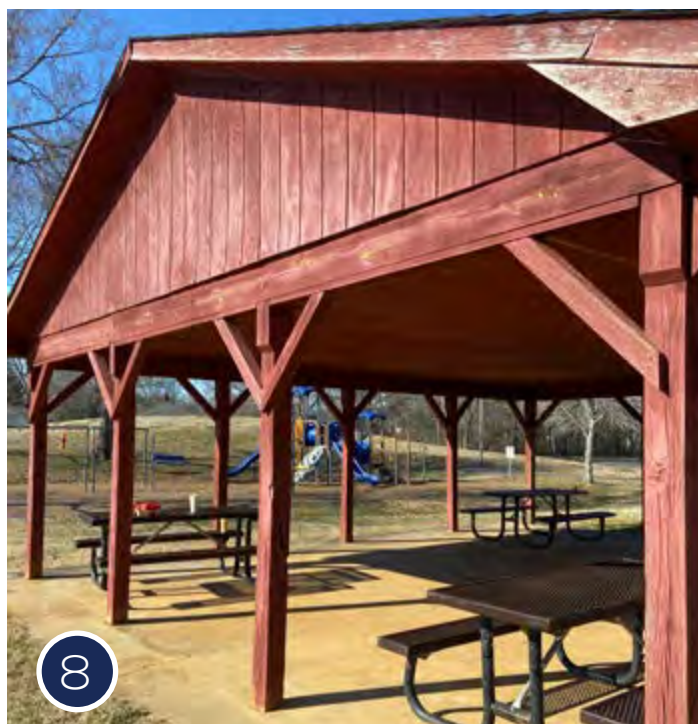
- Paved walking trail connection to Ross Cannon Street



- Large parking lot for +/-310 cars



- Playground



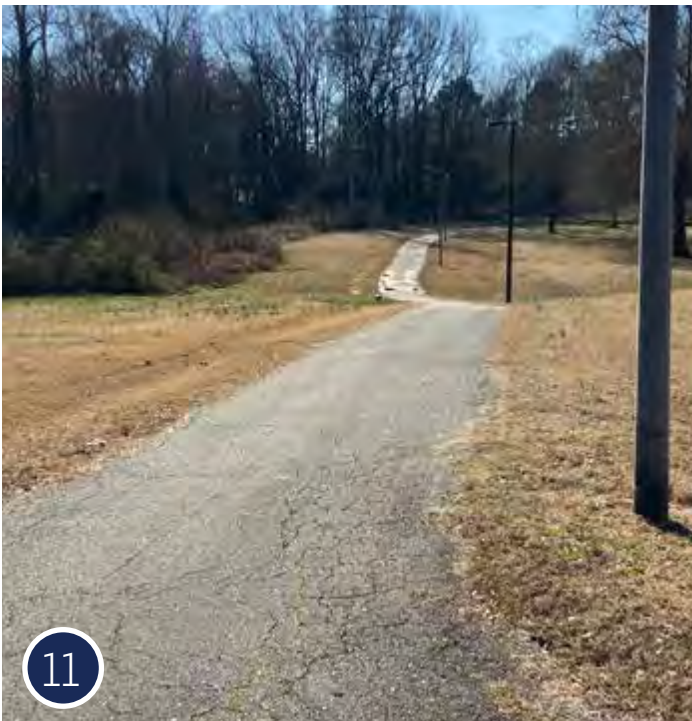
- Picnic shelter near the playground



- Field 5 restroom/concessions



- Field 5 infield and backstop



- Paved walking trail in complex



- Horseshoe courts



- Dog park with bench and dog station



- Picnic shelter and tables near dog park



- Bicycle parking



- Entrance to baseball fields



- Field 1 bleachers



- Field 2 backstop and netting



- Field 3 outfield



- Field 4 dugout



- Sidewalk and grassy areas between Field 2 and Field 3



- Maintenance facilities

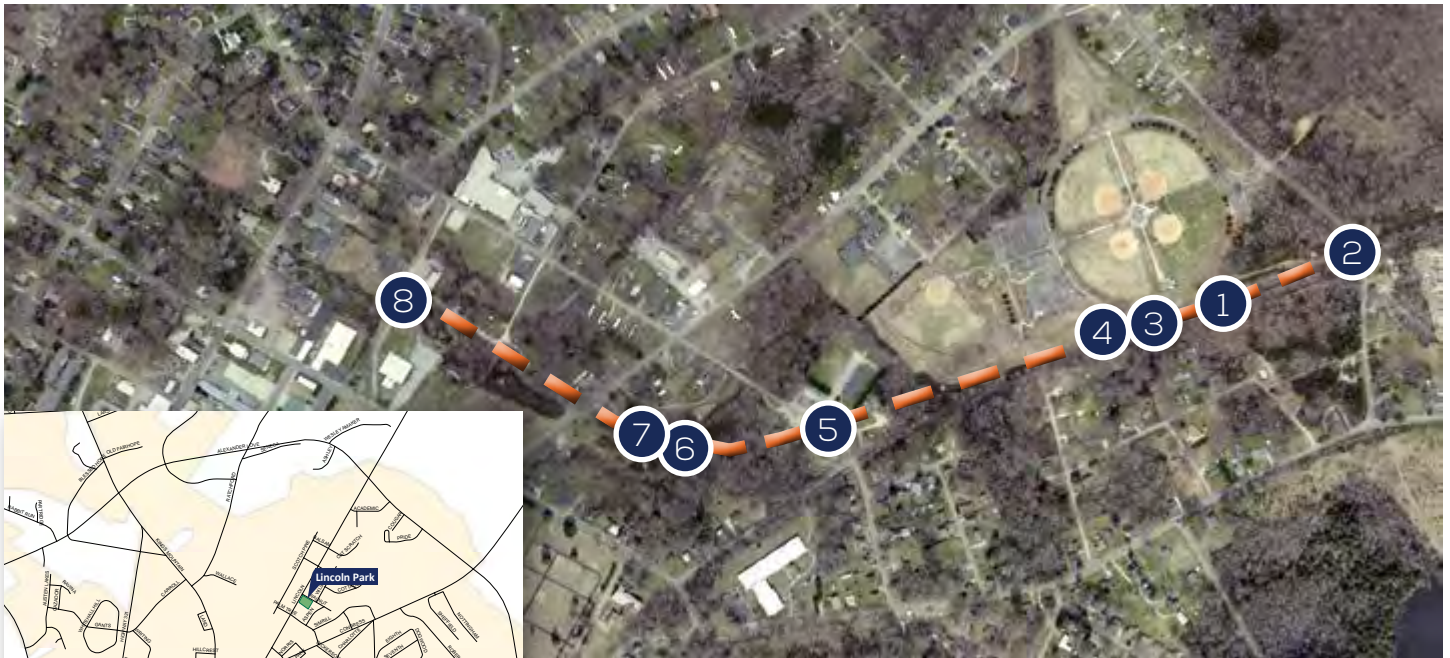


- Field 1 - 4 Restroom and Concession building



- Additional entrance to Fields 1 - 4

## YORK BIKE TRAIL



ADDRESS  
245 Raille Street  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
Approx. 1 mile

## Bike Trail Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Paved Asphalt Surface</b>	+/- 1 mile	x			Some cracking and breakdown of paved material in areas along the trail; areas with overgrown vegetation
<b>Trash Can</b>	10			x	New and spread throughout the length of the trail; litter was minimal
<b>Kiosk</b>	2	x			One kiosk located at Fourth Street and one kiosk located where the trail connects to the York Recreation Complex; Carolina Thread Trail signs on each; no other information on kiosks
<b>Signage</b>	2		x		Trail specific signage at 4th Street and Raile Street
<b>Parking</b>	2 lots			x	City Park (32 spaces) and the York Recreation Complex (21 spaces) provide sufficient parking but could competes/interrupts people parking to use the parks
<b>Formalized Pedestrian Access</b>	3		x		No sidewalks on Raile Street and no sidewalks on 4th Street; trail connecting from the York Recreation Complex; sidewalk on Ross Cannon Street; paved sidewalk connecting users from City Park

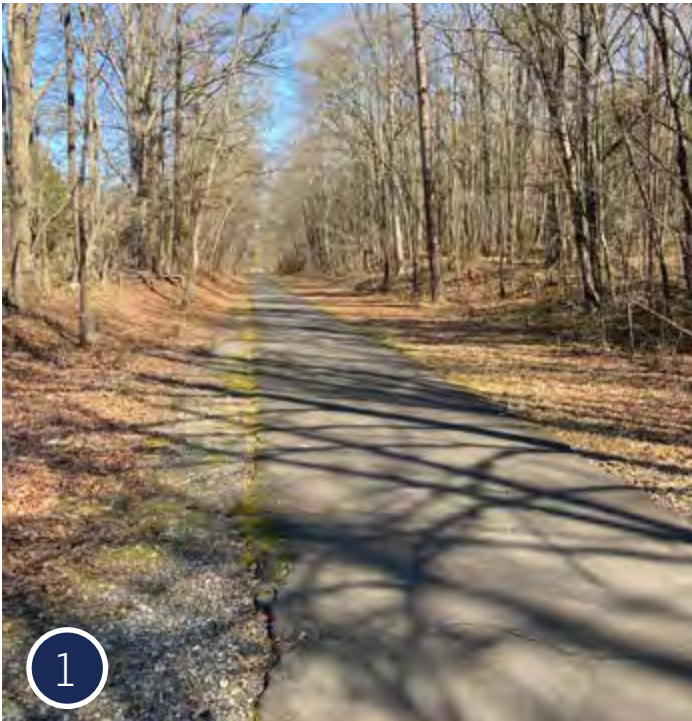
**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

Does have bollards at street crossings

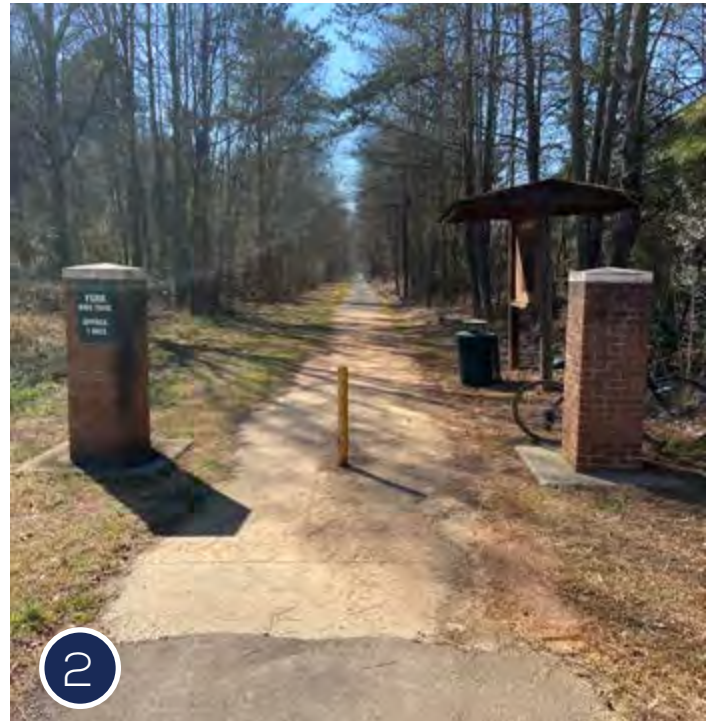
Missing crosswalks at street crossings missing

Feels tight in certain areas with vegetation overgrowth

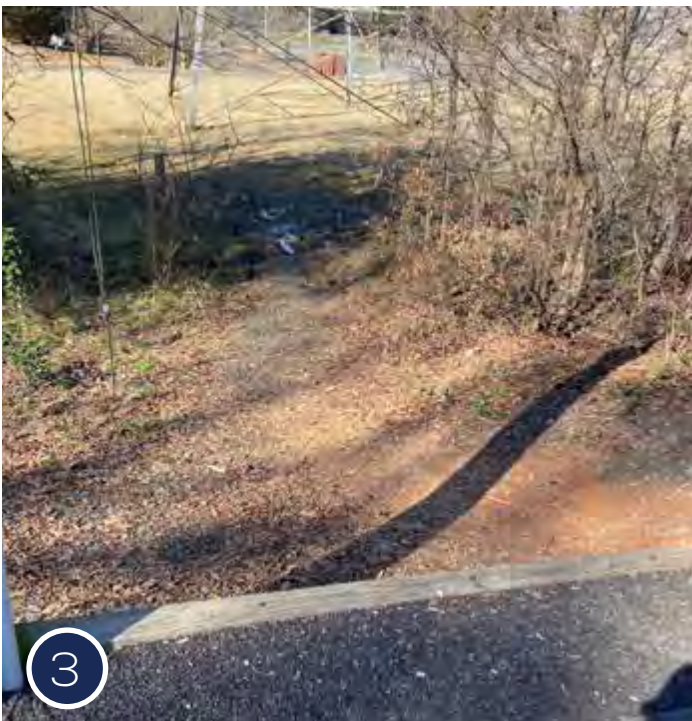
Some eyes on the trail with surrounding residential uses; other times the woods block any views



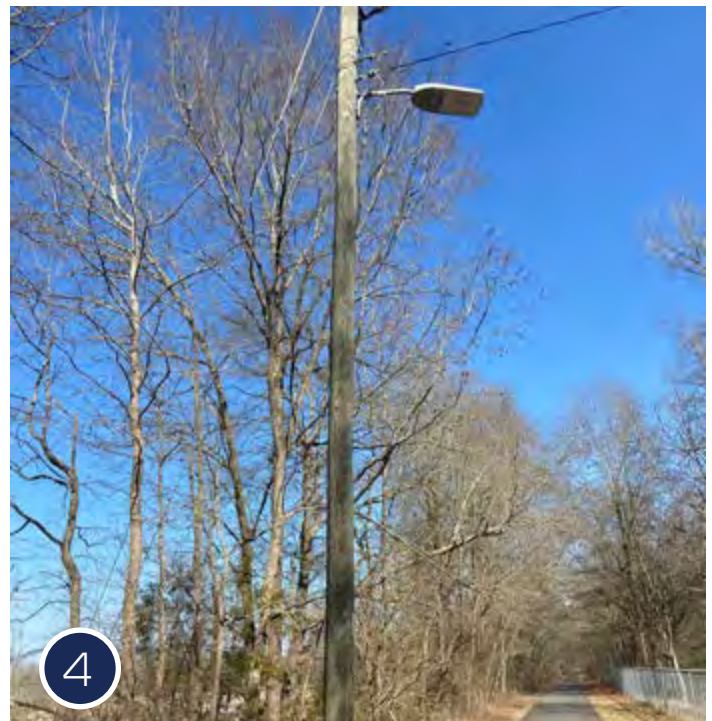
- Wooded trail providing nature based setting



- Brick columns and kiosk at Fourth Street entrance



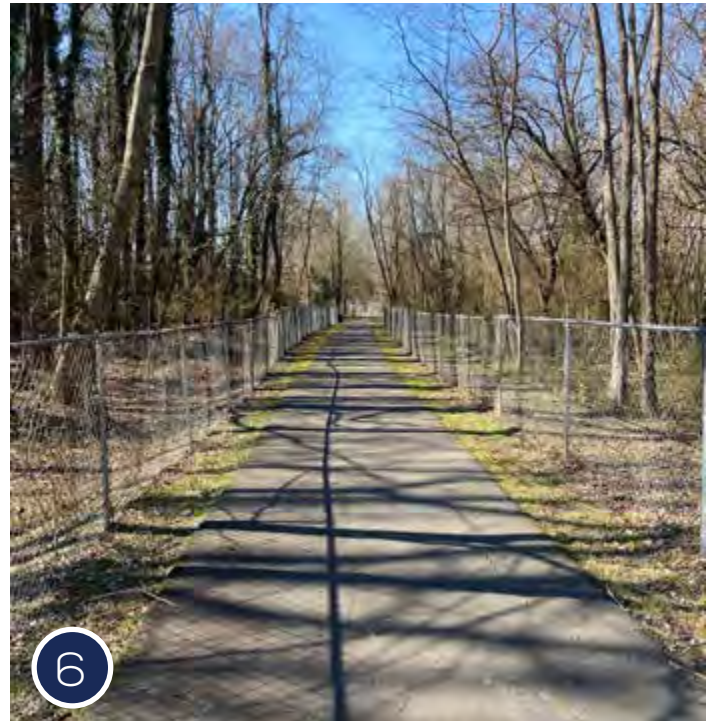
- Foot paths created to get to the York Recreation Complex from the trail



- One light along the trail



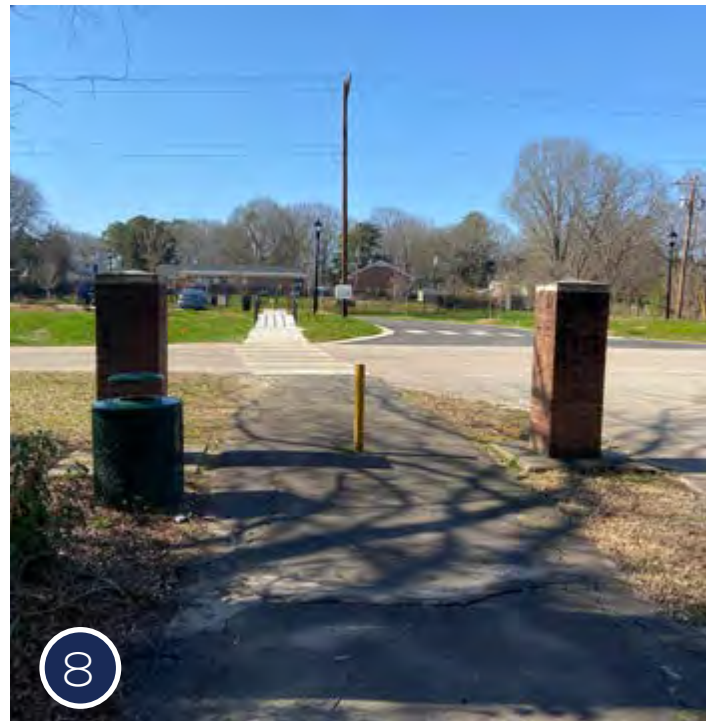
- Bollards at crossings
- No painted crosswalk on Blackburn Street



- Fence along trails makes trail feel enclosed

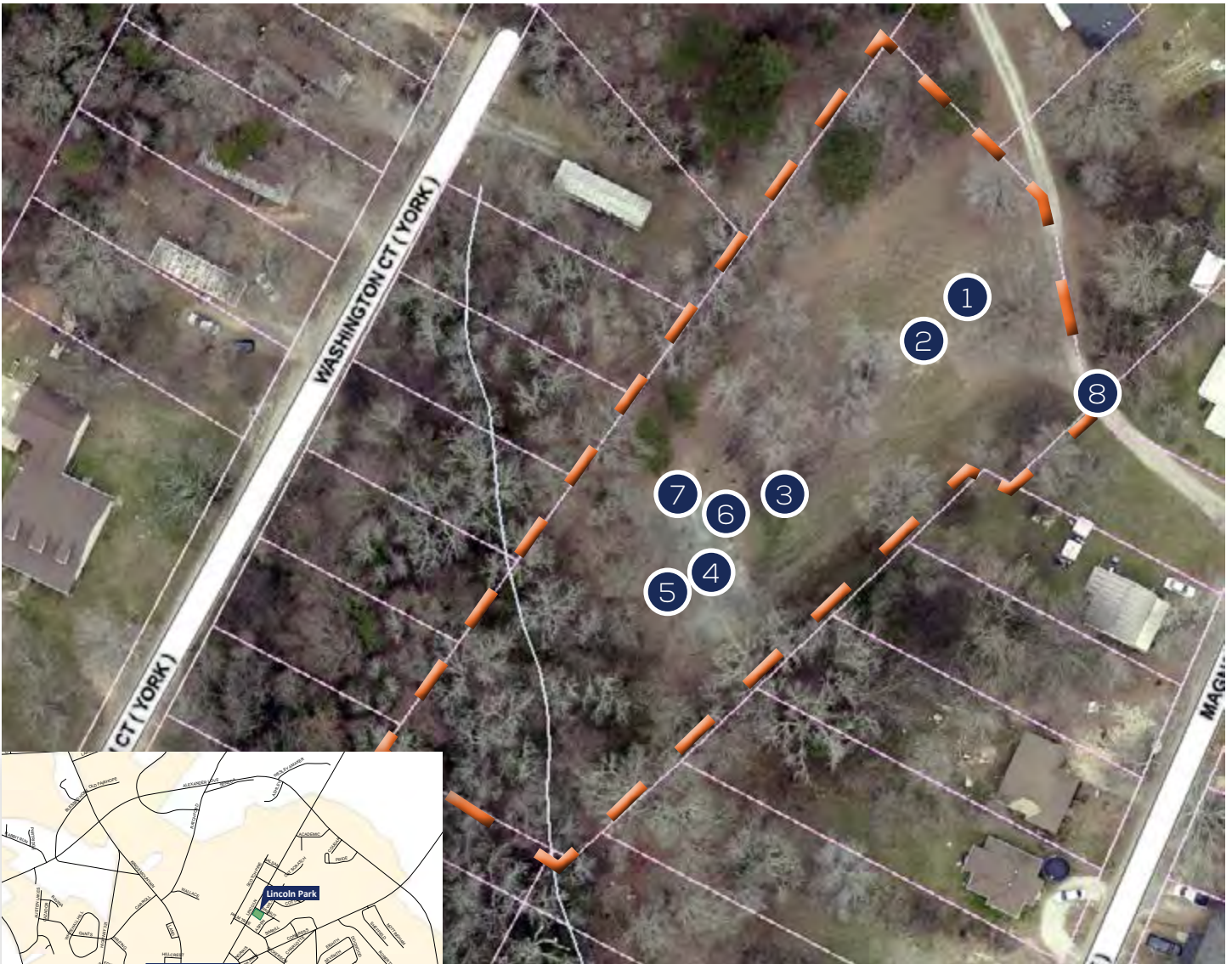


- Bridge that has been repainted



- Trail connection to City Park

# MAGNOLIA STREET PARK



## ADDRESS

33 Magnolia Street  
York, SC

## OWNER

City of York

## SIZE

1.4 Acres

## Magnolia Street Park Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
Full Basketball Court	1		x		Minimal cracking in concrete; no painted lines; chain link hoops; backboards in good shape
Bench	1	x			Metal, in ground bench; low to the ground
Grill	1	x			Mounted; rusted; appears to be used often
Open Green Space		x			A car has made ruts; standing water in a lot of the green space
Parking	n/a				No formalized parking area; gravel/dirt road access with a pull off area
Formalized Pedestrian Access	n/a				No formalized connection; no sidewalks on Magnolia Street
Signage	2		x		Park hour sign mounted on tree; LWCF sign
Trash Can	1		x		Mounted plastic trash can (full at the time)
Lighting	0				No lights

**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

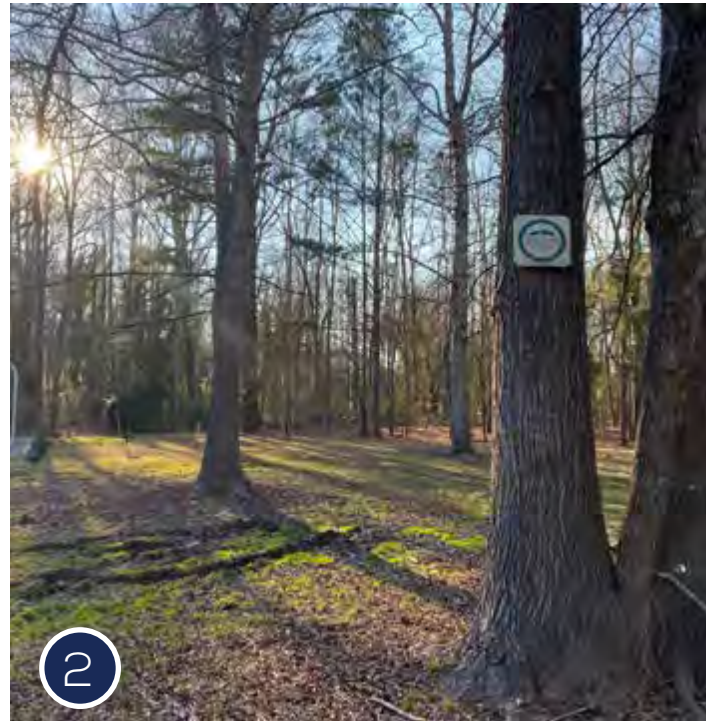
Litter in the park especially in the edge of the woods

Cannot see into the park from the road and no neighbors can see in because of the woods

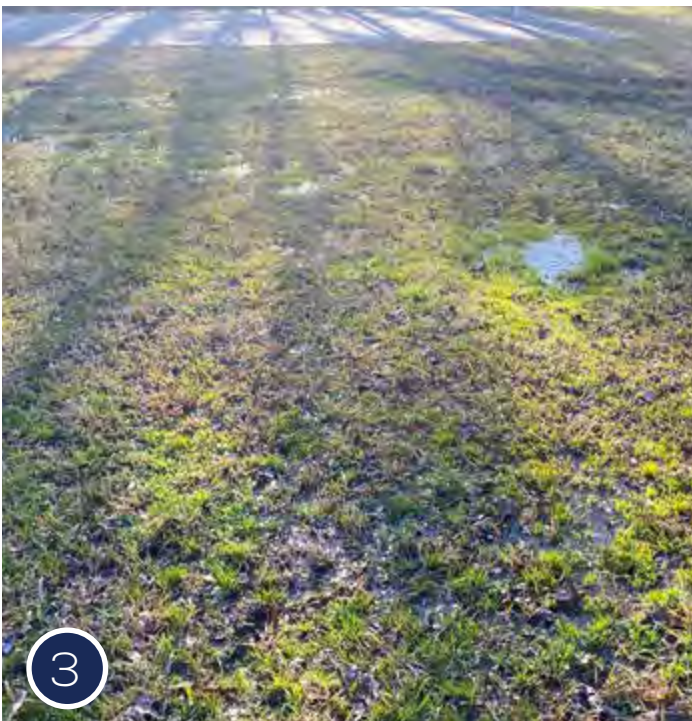
Basketball court is tucked into the corner of the woods



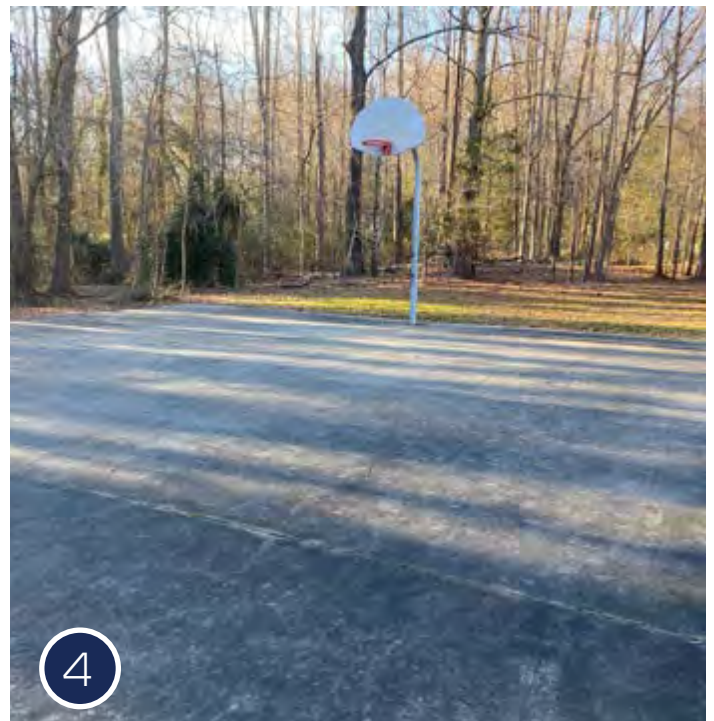
- Pull off area for parking
- Wooded setting



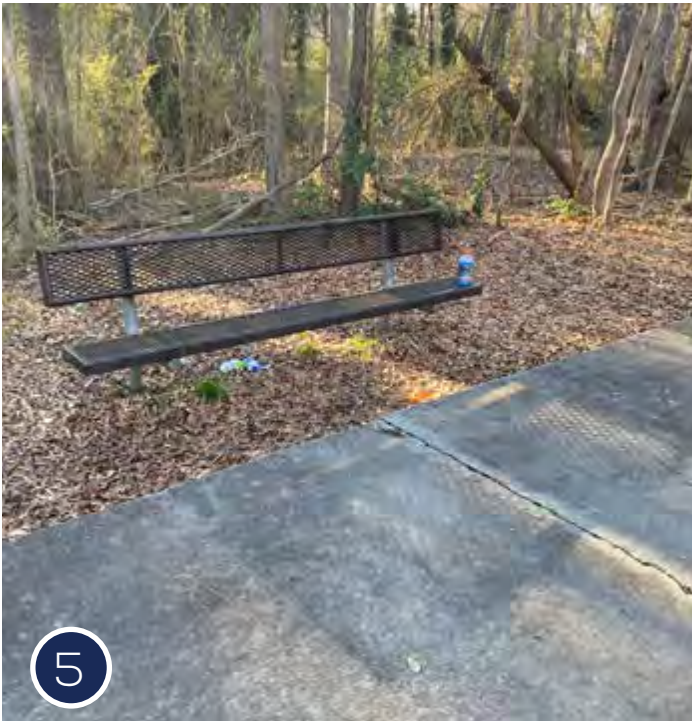
- Tire marks in grass



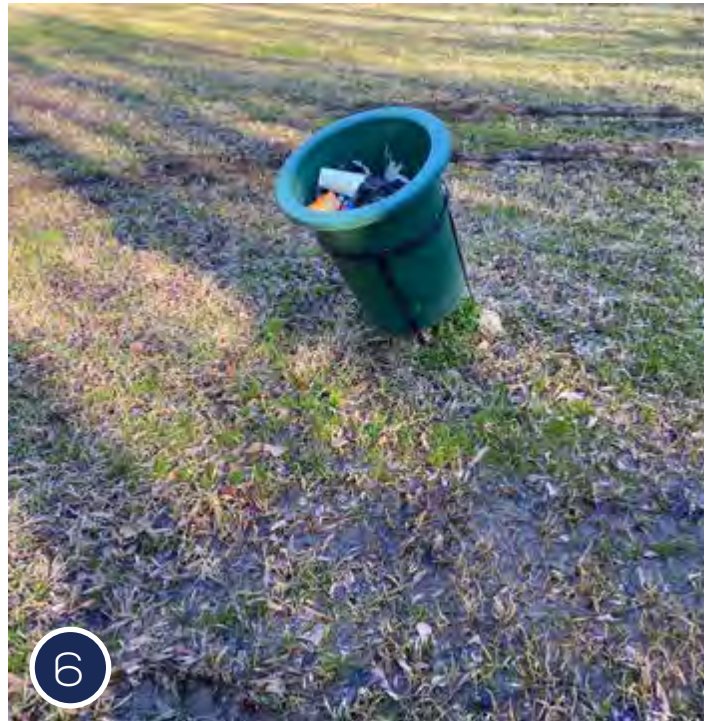
- Standing water



- Basketball court



- Metal bench



- Trash can

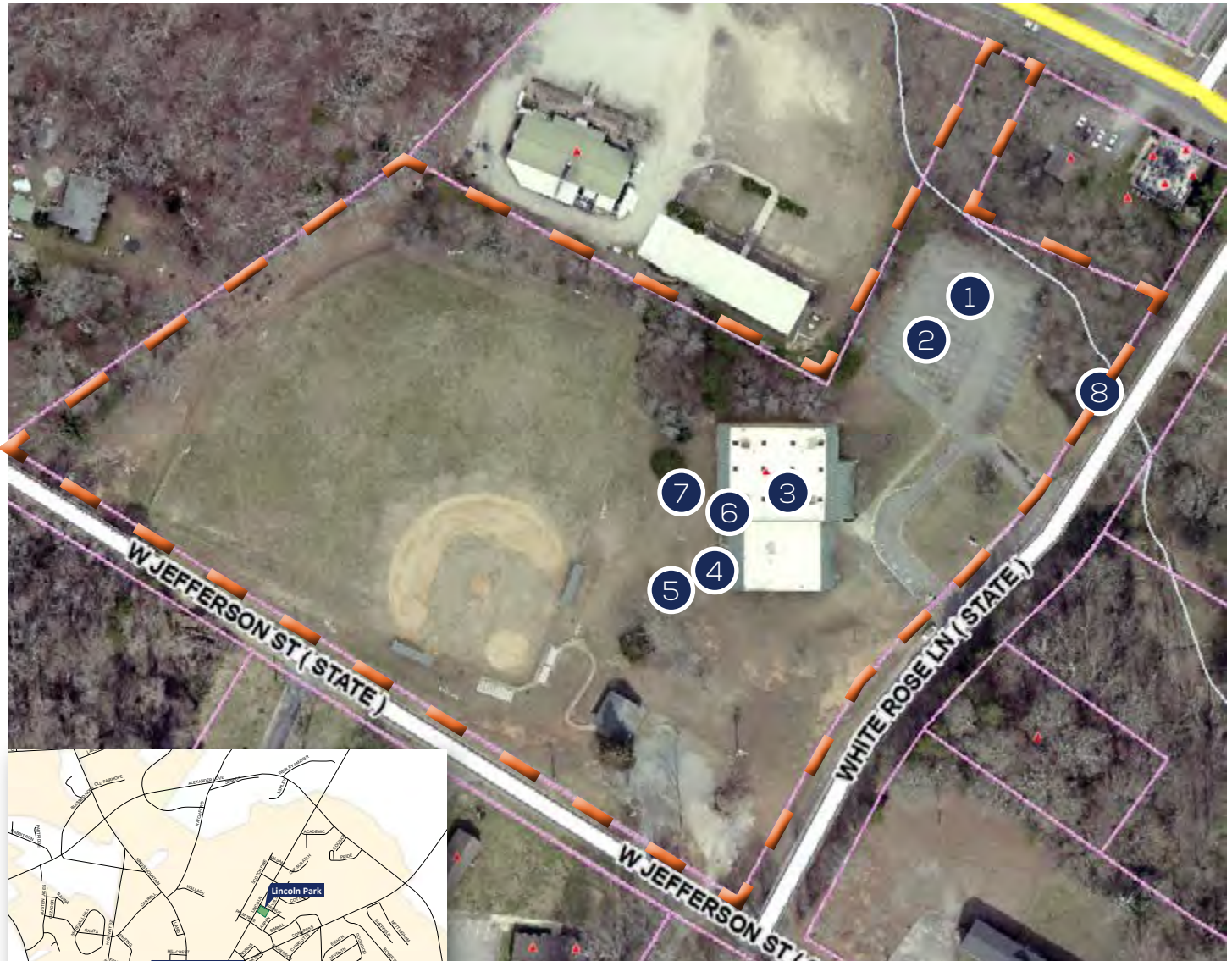


- Grill



- Driveway to park

## YORK RECREATION CENTER + OPTIMIST FIELD



### ADDRESS

21 White Rose Lane  
York, SC

### OWNER

City of York

### SIZE

7.3 Acres

## York Recreation Center + Optimist Field Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
Indoor Gymnasium	1	x			6 basketball goals; 2 scoreboards; painted lines for full court and half court games with bleachers and benches
Indoor Meeting Room	1	x			Small room with tables and chairs; being used for storage too; close to gymnasium - noise conflict
Indoor Game Room	1	x			2 pool tables; locked; small size and not much offered
Indoor Office	2	x			Office connects to lobby with glass separating
Bike Rack	1		x		In front of the center; metal; can hold approximately 4 bikes
Flagpole	2			x	Small one at the ball field; large one in front of recreation center
Baseball Field Playing Surface		x			Grass overgrowing infield dirt; the field has some steep grade changes; there is a lip where the infield meets the outfield; some holes in the outfield; do not see any drainage issues with outfield; right field raises up at the fence; straw netting in right field; 320' to left field fence, 345' to centerfield fence, 303' to right field fence
Baseball Dugouts	2	x			Brick and CMU block dugout with what appears to be newer roof; wood benches on concrete floor; litter in third base dugout; third base dugout may have water drainage issues due to a lot of soil on the concrete slab
Baseball Backstop and Safety Netting		x			Chain link fence on top and netting on top; fence is rusting and damaged in spots; netting may need to be replaced
Baseball Scoreboard	1			x	
Baseball Concession/Restrooms/Storage	1		x		Not able to access inside but appears to be in good operating shape; broken window that has been fixed; roof provides some shade; brick
Baseball Bleachers	2	x			Metal bleachers on concrete pad; pads are cracked and have weeds growing through
Baseball Fencing		x			6 foot high fencing; some rust and damage in spots; outside centerfield is overgrown
Bench	1	x			In front of the center; wood is worn
Grill	1	x			Mounted grill; rusty
Parking for Center	48 ps			x	2 ADA parking spots and 1 staff parking spot in front of center on the pull through driveway; significant amount of slope from bottom of parking lot to center; no connection to the ball field

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
Parking for Ball Field	+/-15 ps	x			Approximately 50' x 70' gravel lot, so could hold +/-15 cars; pot holes in the access drive; timbers old; grass growing in gravel; timber blocking sidewalk access to concession stand/restrooms from parking lot
Formalized Pedestrian Access	2		x		No sidewalks on White Rose Lane and W Jefferson Street to connect to the center; no sidewalk connecting the center and the ball field; sidewalk from the paved parking lot to the center; sidewalk from the gravel parking lot to the concession stand and bleachers; timbers are blocking ADA access to use baseball field sidewalk; have to go up a hill from the parking lot to get to the center - think about accessibility for all ages and abilities
Signage at the Center	1		x		One main Recreation Center sign on White Rose Lane
Signage at the Ball Field	5		x		No park identification signs; PARD, LWCF sign; no drone sign, no tobacco sign, permission to use field signs
Outdoor Trash Cans at Center	3		x		1 in the parking lot; 2 along one-way driveway
Trash Cans at Ball Field	6		x		2 plastic roll outs near concessions; one mounted on hill; three mounted near field
Outdoor Lighting at the Center	3			x	2 lights in parking lot; 1 light near entrance; visited during day so not sure of operating capacity
Lighting at the Ball Field	8			x	Visited during the day so unsure of operating capacity but appear to be in good condition; no lights at gravel parking lot; lighting on concession stand

#### Any safety/maintenance issues visible?

Erosion problem/wet areas in grass field adjacent to the Center entrance

No real connection between the Center and the baseball field

Erosion issues on hill behind bleachers

Topography surrounding the field makes it difficult for access to field for young kids, elderly, etc

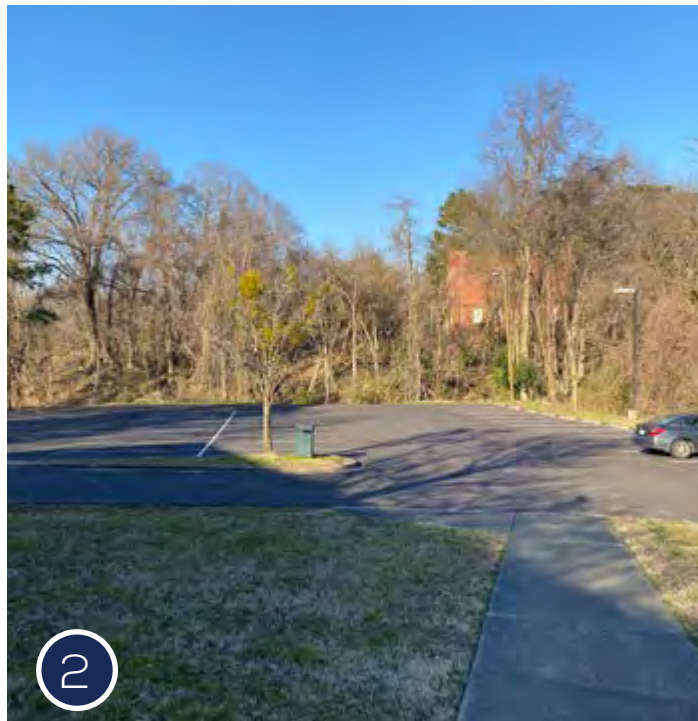
Currently no ADA access from parking lot to field

Trees by concession stand provide shade

Field is visible and open



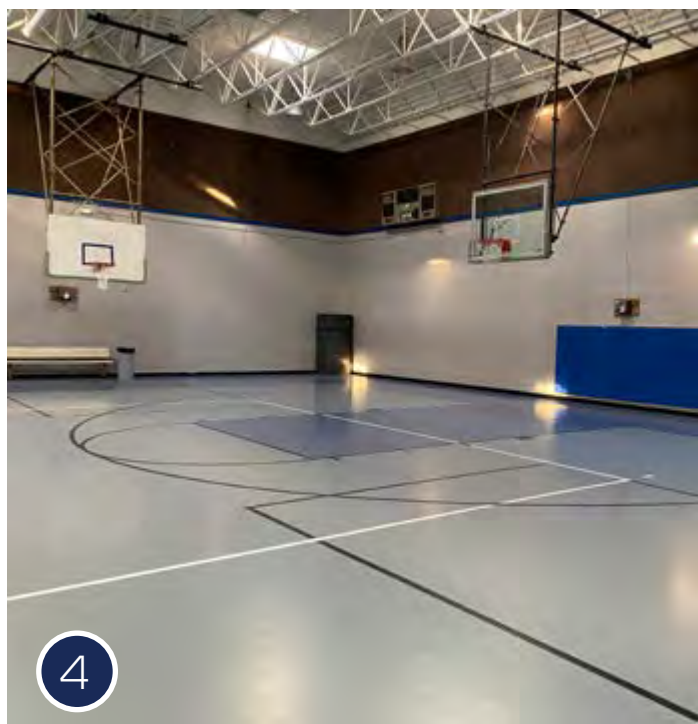
- Entrance sign
- Hill from parking lot up to Center



- Paved parking lot with sidewalk connection



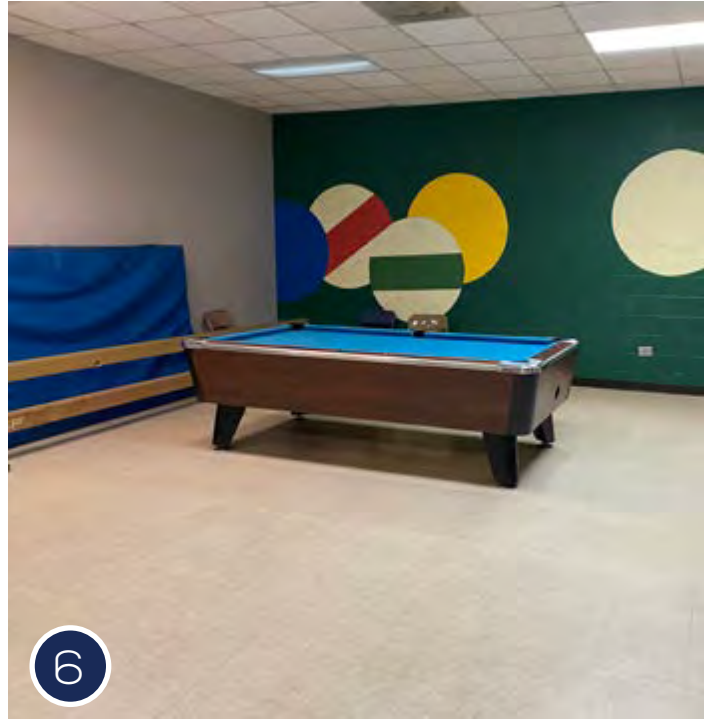
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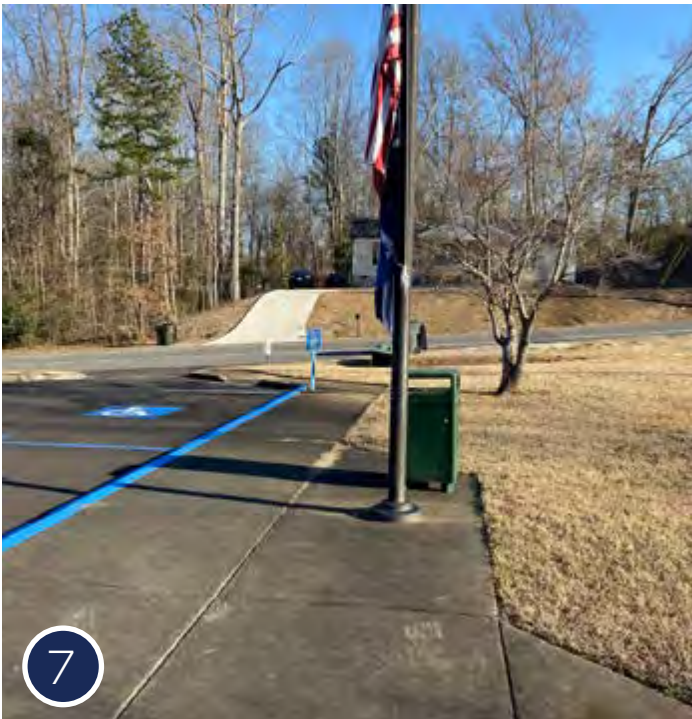
- Gymnasium



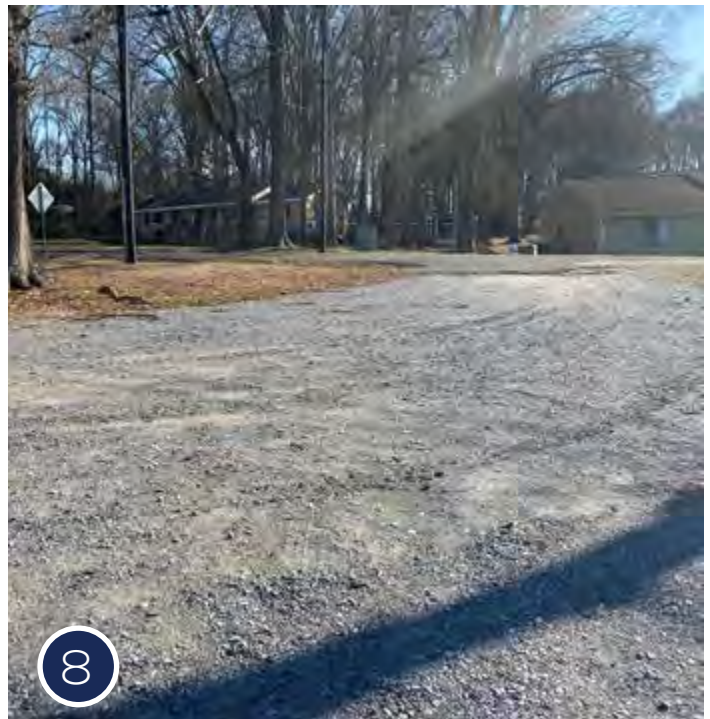
• Meeting Room



• Game Room



• ADA parking and flagpole



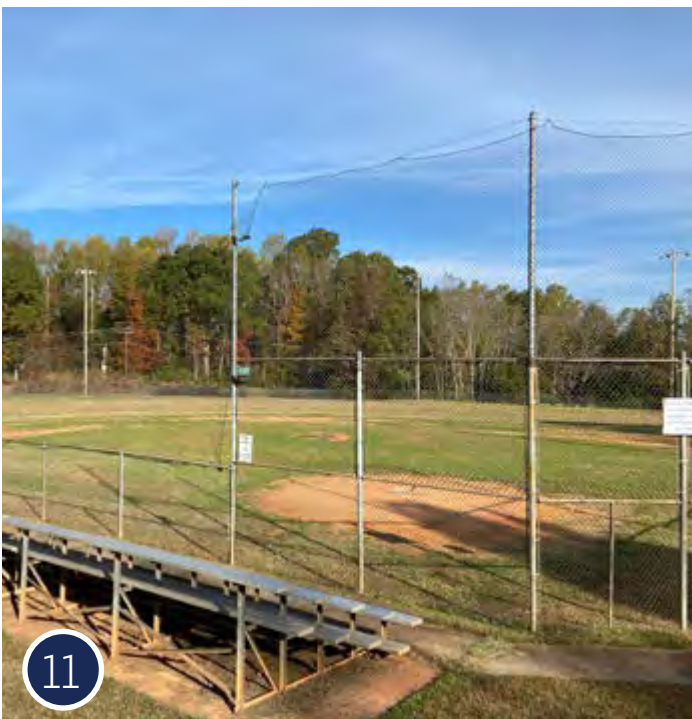
• Gravel parking lot for baseball field



- Baseball field restroom/concessions



- Sidewalk to baseball field from gravel parking lot



- Baseball field, backstop and netting and bleachers



- Grass in infield dirt and dugout

## McCELVEY FIELD



ADDRESS	OWNER
212 E. Jefferson St.	York County
York, SC	
SIZE	
10.3 Acres	

## McCelvey Field Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
Grassy Open Area		x			Overgrown; wet in areas probably due to being low lying
Baseball Field	1	x			Infield overgrown with grass and weeds
Backstop	1	x			
Cement Seating		x			Overgrown with vegetation
Parking	n/a				Gravel road to field is rough; no formalized parking area
Formalized Pedestrian Access	n/a				Sidewalk on Jefferson Street but no formal connections to the field
Signage	1	x			Sign pointing to parking; signs for the McCelvey Center but not for the field
Trash Can	n/a				No trash cans
Lighting	n/a				No lights

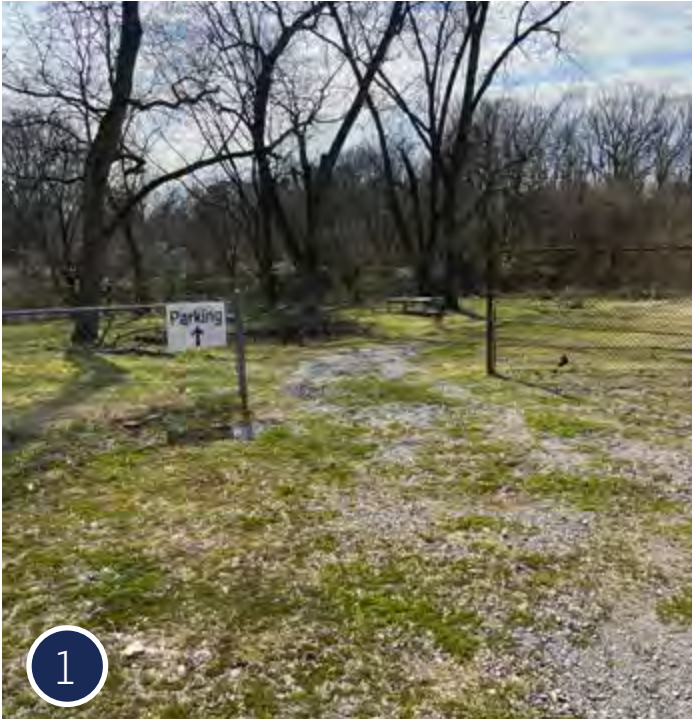
**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

Maintenance said that last year it was not used at all

On low priority for maintenance to mow

Center provides eyes on the facilities but it is tucked back in there creating some safety concerns

Hard to access and unknown that it is there



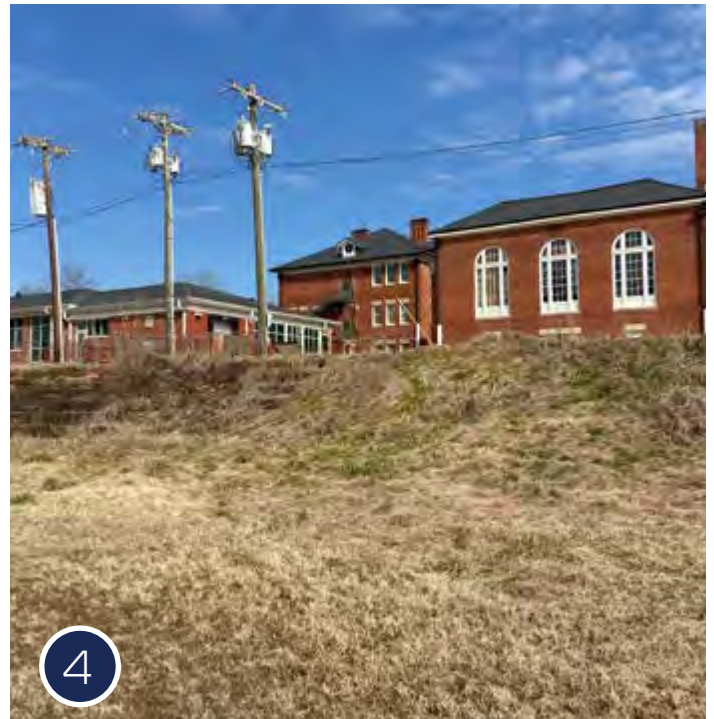
- Gravel drive to McCelvey Field



- Gravel drive to McCelvey Field



- Open grassy area



- Hill back up to McCelvey Center



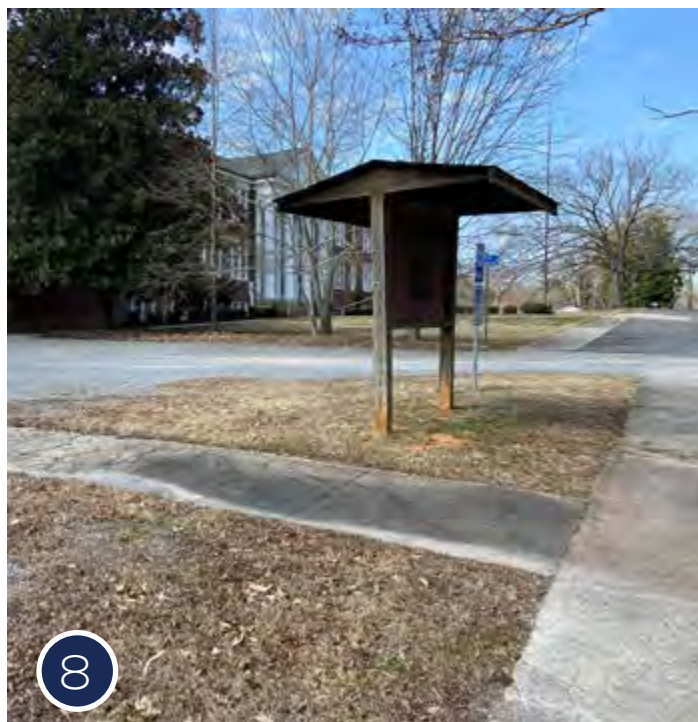
- Concrete benches



- Backstop



- Playing field that is used for practices if Complex is full



- Sidewalk on Jefferson Street connecting to the McCelvey Center

## NEW STREET PARK



ADDRESS  
104 New Street  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
2.1 Acres

## New Street Park Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
Full Basketball Court	1	x			Water standing on court; no painted lines; metal link hoops; large retaining wall on west side of court
Half Basketball Court	2	x			Painted lines are fading; cracks in concrete; chain link fencing is rusting and at access point it is broken; metal link hoops
Benches	2	x			Metal, in-ground near western half court
Open Green Space	1	x			Open grassy area behind the courts with slight hill; New fencing installed
Parking	On Street				On street parking only
Formalized Pedestrian Access	n/a				Walk up from the street; foot paths from surrounding residential uses
Signage	1		x		Sign with park hours
Trash Can	1		x		
Lighting	n/a				No lights

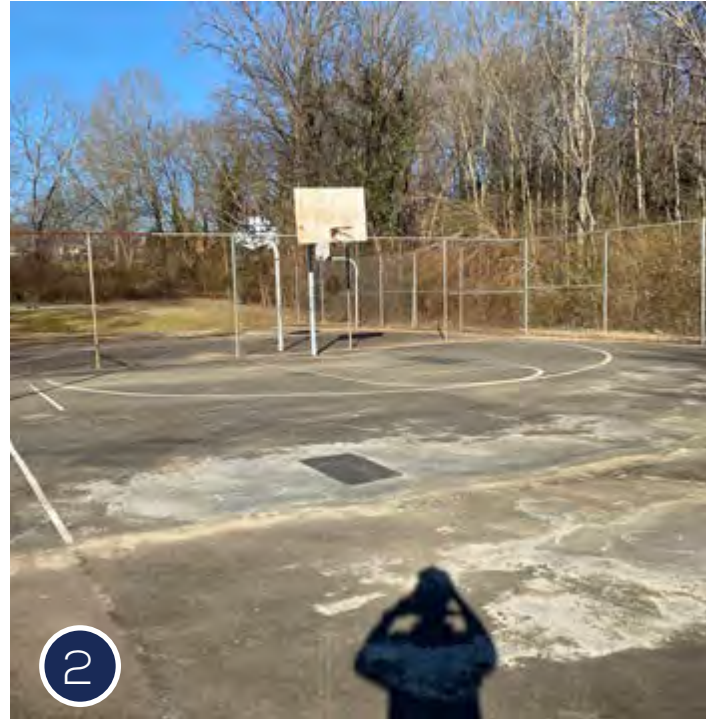
**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

Half court basketball was being used at the time of the inventory

The courts can be seen from the road



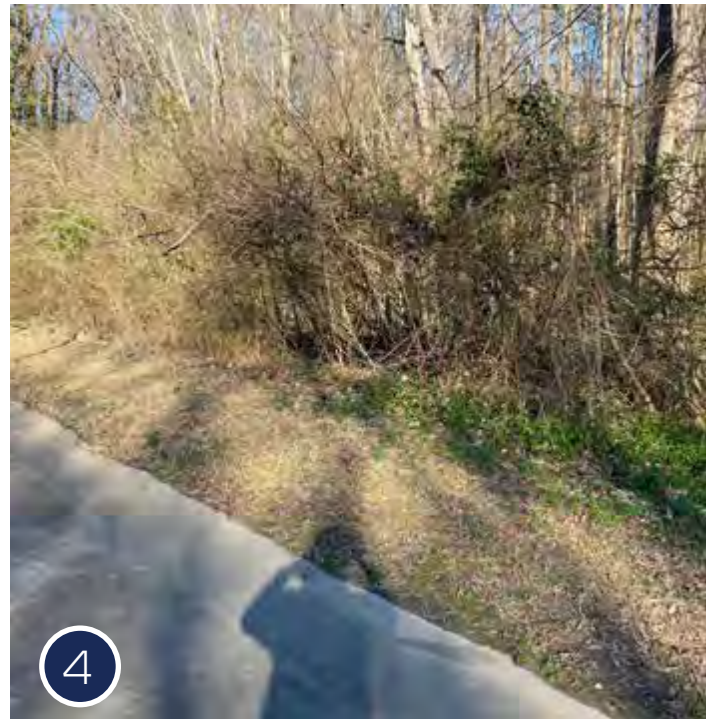
- Two benches on half basketball court



- Other half basketball court
- Court surface cracking



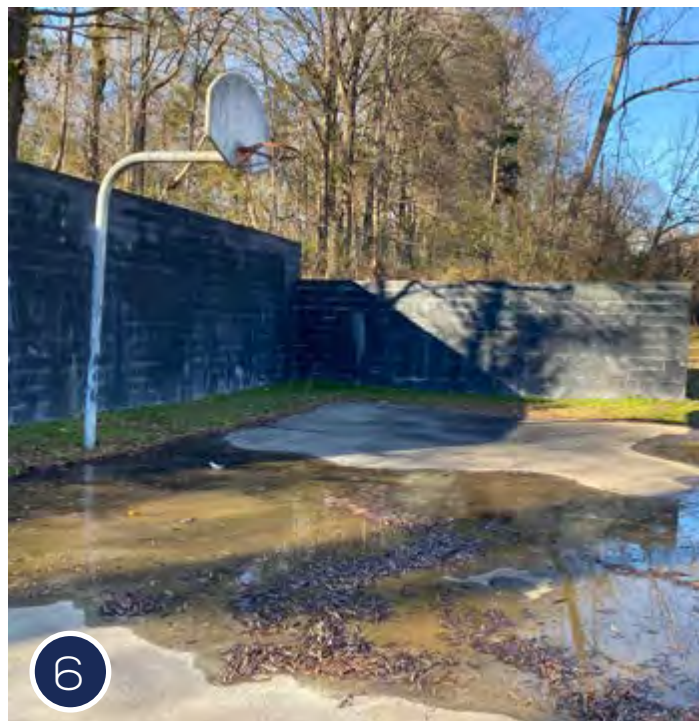
- On street parking



- Wooded area next to courts



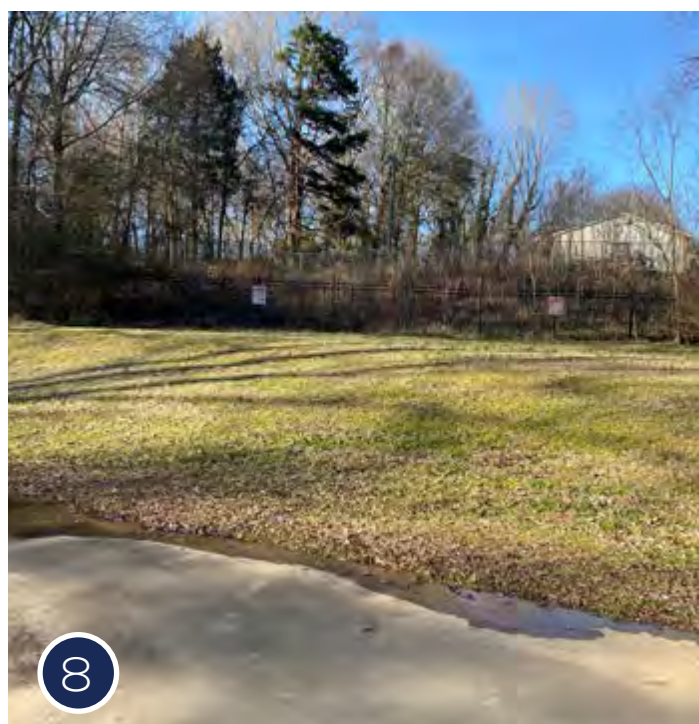
- Standing water on back full basketball court



- Retaining wall and standing water on back full basketball court



- Park sign and fencing



- Grassy area behind the courts

## JEFFERSON FIELD



### ADDRESS

37 Pinckney Street  
York, SC

### OWNER

York School District #1

### SIZE

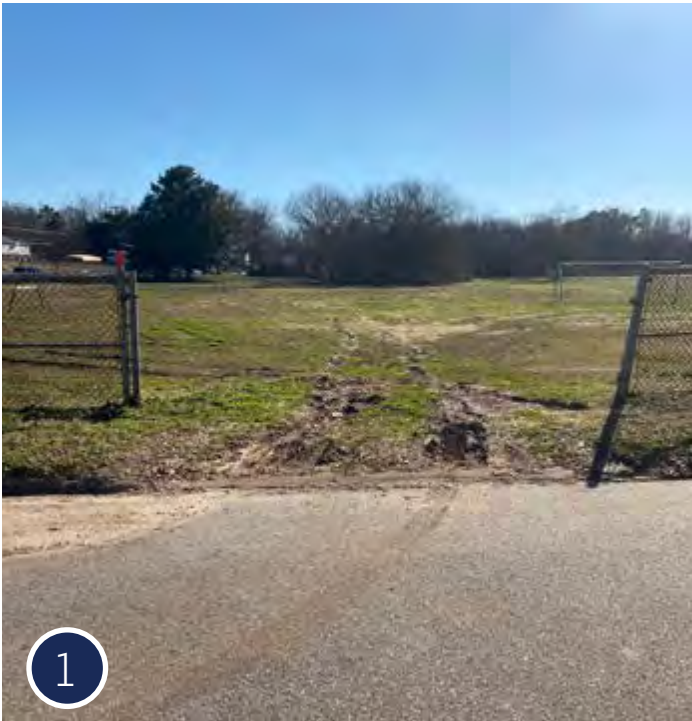
4 Acres

## Jefferson Field Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Grassy Open Space</b>		x			Many wet areas; large parts torn up and reseeded due to people driving on the field
<b>Backstop</b>	1	x			Chainlink damaged at the bottom
<b>Soccer Goals</b>	2		x		Frame appears to be older but nets look new
<b>Basketball Court</b>	1	x			2 hoops; 1 pole; asphalt is being taken over by grass; nets of baskets look new
<b>Swing Set</b>	1	x			No swings - just the metal frame; rusty
<b>Play Bars/Monkey Bars</b>	1	x			Metal bars with grass underneath; would be hot in prolonged summer sun
<b>Bench</b>	1	x			Metal bench in the ground; low to the ground
<b>Fencing</b>		x			Sturdy but rusting; surrounds the entire park; damaged at far side of park
<b>Parking</b>	On Street				No formalized parking lot for the Field; on street parking available and share lots after business/school hours surrounding the park
<b>Formalized Pedestrian Access</b>	2	x			Sidewalks on opposite side of Spruce Street; Fence along Spruce Street has two openings; sidewalk on opposite side of Pinckney Street; fence along Pinckney has two openings that are paved but no curb cuts limiting access; sidewalk along Hwy 321 but no access
<b>Signage</b>	1		x		Metal sign with park hours on fence
<b>Trash Can</b>	n/a				Did not see any trash cans on site
<b>Lighting</b>	n/a				No lights

**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

Hwy 321 is a busy road  
 Trash in the trees at the edge of the park fence  
 Standing water next to the basketball court  
 Open - visible  
 Near a school and many parking lots for other buildings in close proximity



- Main access gate on Spruce Street
- Damage to field from cars getting on field



- Soccer goals
- Damage to field from cars



- Backstop and open grassy area used for practices



- Damage to field by cars



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- Large open grassy area with flat topography



6

- Basketball court overgrown with vegetation



7

- Metal play element
- Standing water



8

- Access from Pinckney Street
- No curb cut providing ADA access

## WOODED VALLEY PARK



ADDRESS  
190 Galilean Road  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
.75 Acres

## Wooded Valley Park Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Swing Set</b>	1	x			3 working swings and 1 broken swing; Metal is rusting
<b>See Saw</b>	1	x			Metal (hot if in sun) and rusted
<b>Basketball Hoop</b>	1	x			Plastic basketball hoop
<b>Bench</b>	1	x			In ground/mounted bench; needs to be cleaned up
<b>Parking</b>	+/- 6 ps	x			Approximate 60' x 20' gravel pull off with wood bollards on Galilean Road.
<b>Formalized Pedestrian Access</b>	n/a				No formal entrance; No sidewalks on Galilean Road; Variety of informal foot paths in park created from people walking from all directions
<b>Signage</b>	1		x		Park hours sign (metal) posted on tree along Galilean Road.
<b>Trash Can</b>	1		x		Plastic roll out trash can in the parking area.
<b>Lighting</b>	1	x			Appears to be old light fixture

**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

During site visit, there were a handful of people around the park providing eyes on the park.

Overgrown trees and vegetation along the edges.



- Gravel parking lot



- Foot path created by pedestrian traffic
- Plastic basketball hoop and metal see saw



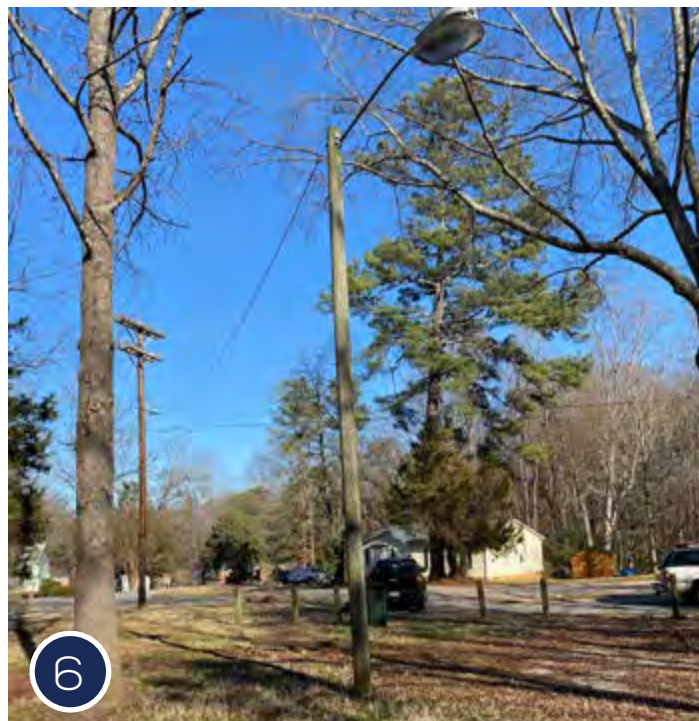
- Metal swing set



- Metal bench



- Metal see saw



- Security light



- Foot path created by pedestrian traffic



- Footpath to Galilean Road

## GREEN STREET PARK



ADDRESS  
41 Green Street  
York, SC

OWNER  
City of York

SIZE  
.4 Acres

## Green Street Park Inventory and Assessment

Element	Quantity	Poor Condition	Fair Condition	Good Condition	Comments
<b>Full Basketball Court</b>	1	x			Cracked concrete; retaining wall on one end of court that needs to be repainted; chain hoops; dirt/sediment build up on court
<b>Bench</b>	1	x			Metal in ground bench; needs to be cleaned up
<b>Parking</b>	On Street				Muddy area where there is a curb cut and looks like cars have pulled up frequently and also on street parking
<b>Formalized Pedestrian Access</b>	n/a				No sidewalks on Green Street; no formalized connection to the court
<b>Signage</b>	2		x		Metal park hours sign, LWCF sign
<b>Trash Can</b>	1		x		Plastic roll out trashcan
<b>Lighting</b>	n/a				No lights

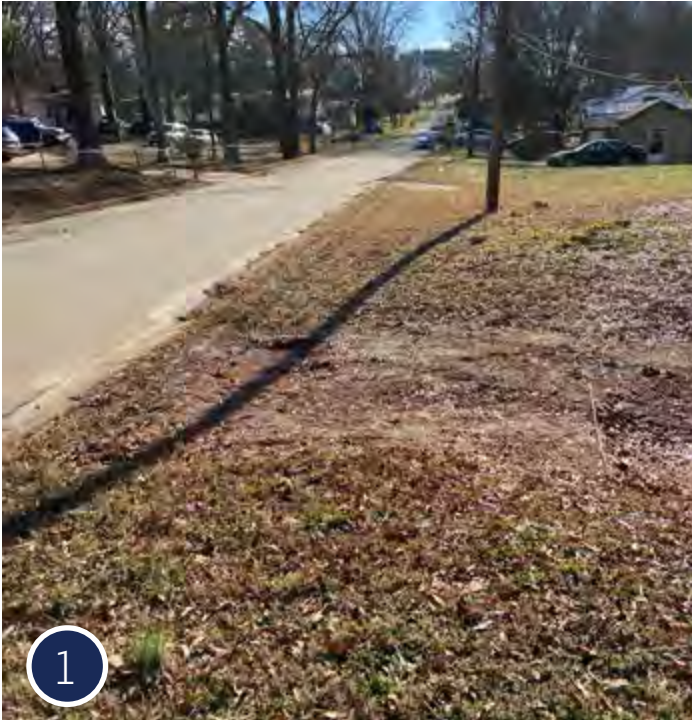
**Any safety/maintenance issues visible?**

In residential context so some eyes on the park

Trees surrounding the court

Retaining wall has been painted over

Appears to have a water drainage issue near the court



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- Curb cut on Green Street
- Residential context



2

- Muddy area where cars have likely pulled up



3

- Park signs



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- Metal bench



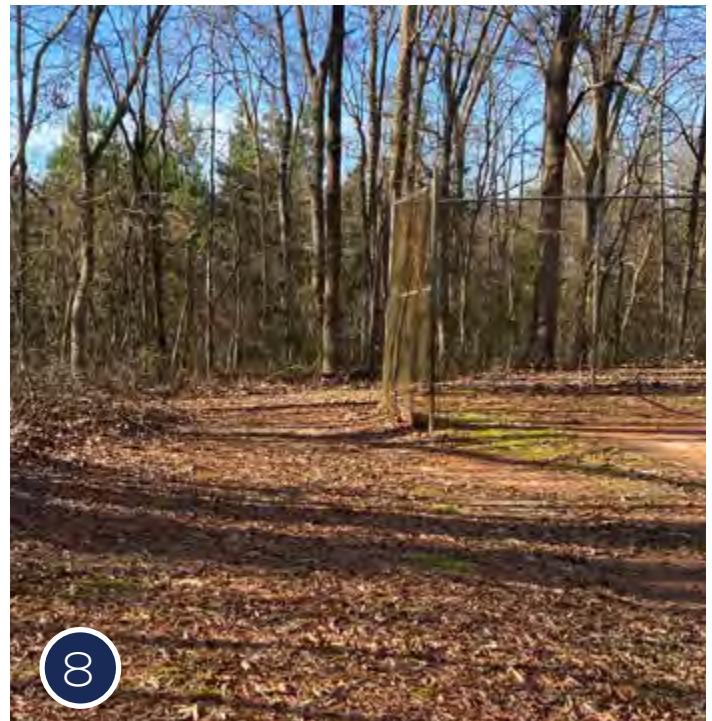
- Retaining wall
- Basketball goal and fencing surrounding court



- Sediment build up on court and cracks in asphalt



- Drainage issues apparent with mud and sediment build up near court



- Wooded area surrounding the court

# 5. Public Input



Wooded Valley Park

## PUBLIC INPUT OVERVIEW

Community input and feedback regarding the existing City of York park system as well as parks and recreation needs and priorities were captured through a variety of methods including two self-guided public workshops hosted at the York Recreation Center, two pop-up public workshops at local churches, an online public survey, and interviews with an appointed, 7-member steering committee. Throughout the master planning process, over X people participated. This chapter provides an overview of findings for each public participation method.

### Steering Committee Summary

On February 18, 2021, the York Parks Master Plan Steering Committee provided detailed feedback on existing conditions and needed improvements for each City of York Park. Additionally, the committee also brainstormed about the future of the parks system both short (5 years) and long term (10 – 15 years). Key takeaways are listed below. For full detailed notes from the steering committee meeting, please see the appendices.

#### Key Takeaways

- Jefferson Field is viewed as a key community resource and top priority for funding.
- The small neighborhood parks (Green Street Park, New Street Park, Wooded Valley Park) need to be re-imagined.
- As planning for improvements and new facilities, it is important to create spaces that engage kids and get them outside.
- Parks should be designed for all ages and abilities.
- Parks need to be safe and feel safe.
- Walking paths and gathering spaces are important community assets to have.

### First Public Workshop and Survey Summary

From March 24, 2021 through April 9, 2021, posters highlighting the City of York's existing park facilities were available for public review at the York Recreation Center during operating hours. The public was able to provide feedback about current park usage and desired park facilities through a York Parks Survey. Printed copies of the survey were available at the Recreation Center and the survey was also available online. The existing conditions posters and printed surveys were also available at two COVID-19 vaccination sites hosted by the City including March 20, 2021 at Episcopal Church of the Good Shepard and on March 25, 2021 at Clinton AME Methodist Church. In total, 116 people participated and responded to the survey. The survey could be accessed online through the City's website as well as a QR code and link distributed by the City. The self-guided workshop and survey were advertised on the City's website, the City's social media platforms and through a Parks and Recreation email list.

## First Public Workshop and Survey Summary (cont.)

The following page highlights key data captured from the survey. A full, detailed survey results summary can be found in the appendices.

### Existing Park Facilities

- Green Street Park, Jefferson Field, Magnolia Street Park, McCelvey Field, New Street Park, and Wooded Valley Park had the highest percent of “Poor (functional but needs attention)” ratings, while the York Recreation Complex and York Recreation Center each received the highest percentage of “Fair (adequate but needs updating)” and “Good (very few or no maintenance issues)” ratings.
- 58% of the respondents said that the current City of York park system meets their needs.
- The most frequently visited parks are:
  1. York Recreation Complex
  2. Bike Trail
  3. York Recreation Center.
- The least frequently visited parks are:
  10. New Street Park
  11. Magnolia Street Park
  12. Wooded Valley Park

### Park Usage

- The most used current park amenities are:
  1. Paved walking trail
  2. Picnic shelters
  3. Outdoor basketball court
- Top reasons for visiting parks are:
  1. Enjoy nature/get outside
  2. Time with family and friends
  3. Exercise/fitness
- When visiting a park, the most important concerns are:
  1. Safety and security
  2. Quality of the park facilities
  3. Cleanliness of the park.

### Future Park Facilities

- Respondents identified that the top five park facilities needed in the City of York are:
  1. Paved walking and biking trails and greenways
  2. Playgrounds
  3. Picnic shelters
  4. Splash pad
  5. Natural areas, outdoor exercise/fitness stations and multi-purpose fields (tie)

### Programming

- Youth baseball, youth basketball and youth softball are the top three activities that respondents or someone in the household have participated in.
- The City of York's athletic and recreation programming received the highest percentage of "fair" ratings.
- Respondents identified that the top five desired programs are:
  1. Activities for older adults
  2. Nature/outdoor adventure activities
  3. Special events and festivals
  4. Yoga
  5. Special needs activities

### Funding Priorities

- Respondents identified that the top three parks in need of short-term support are:
  1. York Recreation Complex
  2. York Recreation Center
  3. Bike Trail
- Respondents identified that making improvements or renovating and maintaining existing facilities is the top priority for future implementation. Second is adding more paved trails and greenways and third is develop more passive recreation.

## Second Public Survey Summary

Draft concept plans highlighting recommended improvements for the existing York park system were made available to public for review on the City of York's website from May 19, 2021 through May 26, 2021. During this time, residents could also provide feedback through an online survey on the City of York's website. 104 people participated in the survey.

Survey participants had the opportunity to designate their level of agreement with the proposed improvements at each park, with 1 being strongly disagree, 3 being neutral, and 5 being strongly agree. The chart below highlights the weighted average for each park draft concept plan, all of which are above 3.00 (neutral), indicating general overall support for the proposed improvements.

Park Facility	Weighted Avg.
Future Community Park	3.96
Future Greenway	3.82
City Park	3.75
Bike Trail	3.70
Lincoln Park	3.62
Future Sport Complex	3.62
Future Recreation Center	3.54
Future Dog Park	3.51
New Street Park	3.45
Wooded Valley Park	3.45
York Recreation Complex	3.41
Magnolia Street Park	3.41
Moore Park	3.41
Green Street	3.40
Optimist Field	3.31
Jefferson Field	3.28
McCelvey Field	3.12

In review of the open-ended responses for each draft concept plan, key takeaways include the following:

- There is strong support by survey participants to have fields in the York park system dedicated specifically to soccer and football.
- There is strong support by survey participants for a pool facility (indoor, outdoor, water features, etc).
- There is support for high quality basketball facilities (indoor and outdoor).
- There is support by survey participants for non-traditional recreation and athletic facilities including skate park, bike park, disc golf, and archery range. Skate park was mentioned most frequently of these elements in the open-ended responses.

For full survey responses, please see the Appendices.

## 6. Needs Assessment



City Park

## NEEDS ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

The needs assessment evaluates the existing City of York park inventory and programming offerings to identify opportunities and constraints with the current system. The first method of evaluation entails a review of National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) park metrics as a benchmark for the City of York park system. The NRPA park metrics represent a comprehensive source of data standards and insights for park and recreation agencies gathered from thousands of park and recreation agencies across the nation. The data gathered was specific to agencies serving less than 15,000 residents and a budget up to \$1M. This benchmark data is a helpful tool to gain more funding support, improve operations and allow agencies to better serve their communities.

The second method of identifying park opportunities and constraints entails a park service area analysis. By mapping the current park system and placing a half mile buffer around each park (approximate 8-to-10-minute walk), this analysis geographically identifies areas that are within walking distance to a City park. This exercise helps determine if there are underserved areas in the community and gaps in the park system to serve all residents of the City of York.

## PARK METRICS

### Overall Park System

Currently, the City of York provides one park for every 701 residents, which is lower than the national median of 1,298. With 74 acres of parkland, there is 8.8 acres of park per 1,000 residents in the City of York. This is less than the national median of 13.8 acres, indicating that while the number of parks is sufficient, the size of the parks and total acreage is insufficient.

An additional benchmark in understanding how the City of York serves the community is number of full-time equivalent (FTE) staff. The current median for comparable agencies is 6.9 FTEs on staff for every 10,000 residents. Currently, the City of York has 10 FTEs for a population of 8,412, above the national median of comparable agencies.

Overall City of York Park Metrics		
	Jurisdiction Population less than 15,000 and Agency Operating Budget less than \$1M (Median)	City of York
Number of Residents Per Park	1,298	701
Acres of Park per 1,000 Residents	13.8	8.8
FTE's per 10,000 population	6.9	10

## Outdoor Park and Recreation Facilities

The largest surplus in outdoor park and recreation facility inventory is with baseball and softball fields. It should be noted, however, that the two sports currently share fields, making it difficult for scheduling the varying age groups and teams. Separate facilities should be reviewed. Additionally, the City of York also has a surplus in overlay fields. All of the baseball outfields are also used for the youth football program and cheerleading.

The largest deficit in facilities includes youth soccer fields, multi-use courts and multi-use fields.

Outdoor Park and Recreation Facilities				
	Jurisdiction Population less than 15,000 and Agency Operating Budget less than \$1M (Population Per Facility)	NRPA Recommendations for City of York	City of York Inventory	Surplus/Deficit
Baseball field adult	3,946	2	6*	+4
Baseball field youth	2,200	4	6*	+2
Basketball courts	3,600	2	6**	+4
Community gardens	7,400	1	0	-1
Cricket field	0	0	-	-
Dog park	8,545	1	1	0
Field hockey field	0	0	-	-
Football field	7,525	1	0	-1
Golf - Regulation 18-hole course	5,843	1	0	-1
Golf - Regulation 9 hole course	5,500	1	0	-1
Lacrosse field	0	0	-	-
Multipurpose field	2,757	3	0	-3
Multipurpose synthetic field	0	0	-	-
Multiuse courts	3,205	3	0	-3
Overlay Field	1,644	5	6	+1
Playground	2,333	4	3***	-1
Skate park	7,172	1	0	-1
Soccer field adult	7,694	1	0	-1
Soccer field youth	2,137	4	0	-4
Softball field adult	3,946	2	5*	+3
Softball field youth	5,500	2	5*	+3
Swimming pool (outdoor)	8,545	1	0	-1
Tennis courts (outdoor only)	2,428	3	1	-2
Totlots	4,391	2	0	-2

\*Baseball and softball share 5 fields at York Recreation Complex

\*\*Includes 2 half courts

\*\*\*Planned playground for Phase 2 at City Park included

## Miles of Trail

The NRPA provides a variety of measures to benchmark miles of trail. With all measures, the City of York lacks sufficient miles of trail. Ranging from a median of 3 miles to 11 miles, the City of York currently only provides 1 mile of trail.

Miles of Trail			
	Median	City of York Inventory	Suplus/Deficit
Less than 20,000 Jurisdiction Population	3	1	-2
Budget \$500,000 to \$1 million	3	1	-2
250 acres or less maintained	3	1	-2
Less than 10 FTEs	3	1	-2
10 - 19 Parks	9	1	-8
Population Per square mile 500 - 1500	11	1	-10

## Indoor Park and Recreation Facilities

The City of York currently meets the median benchmark for recreation center and gym but has a deficit for community center, nature center, performance amphitheater (an outdoor amphitheater is planned for City Park), senior center and stadium.

Indoor Park and Recreation Facilities				
	Jurisdiction Population less than 15,000 and Agency Operating Budget less than \$1M (Population Per Facility)	NRPA Recommendations for City of York	City of York Inventory	Surplus/Deficit
Arena	0	0	-	-
Aquatic center	10,050	For future growth	-	-
Community center	7,685	1	0	-1
Nature center	5,374	1	0	-1
Performance amphitheater	8,304	1	0	-1
Recreation center and gyms	6,411	1	1	0
Senior center	7,989	1	0	-1
Stadiums	7,970	1	0	-1
Teen Centers	10,557	For future growth	-	-

\*A planned outdoor amphitheater is a part of Phase 2 for City Park. While not the same as an indoor amphitheater, it will provide a dedicated event community space.

## Programming

The City of York currently offers four of the top five park and recreation programs offered by comparable agencies. Health and wellness education is the only top program not offered by the City.

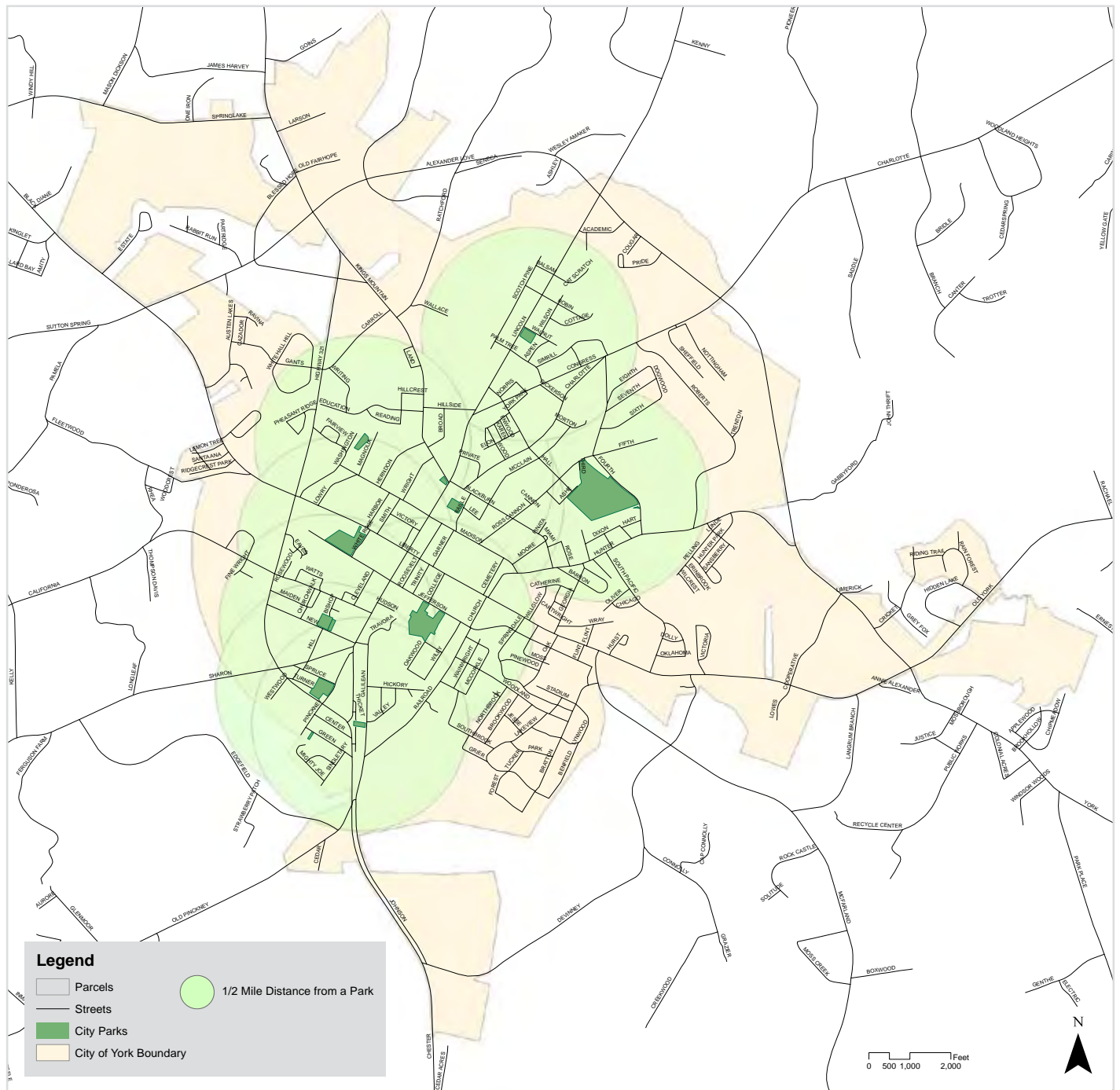
Looking further at targeted programs for children, seniors and people with disabilities, the City of York does offer summer camp, which is the top program offered by comparable agencies but does not offer any of the remaining top programs including after school, senior specific, teen specific, and preschool.

Programming Offered by Park and Recreation Agencies		
	Jurisdiction Population less than 15,000 and Agency Operating Budget less than \$1M	Does City of York provide?
Themed special events	85%	Y
Social recreation events	80%	Y
Team sports	70%	Y
Health and wellness education	60%	N
Fitness enhancement classes	60%	Y
Individual sports	55%	N
Visual arts	55%	N
Safety training	45%	N
Racquet sports	45%	N
Trips and tours	40%	N
Natural and cultural history activities	40%	N
Martial arts	35%	Y
Cultural crafts	30%	N
Aquatics	25%	N
Performing arts	25%	N
Golf	10%	N
Running/cycling races	No data available	N

Targeted Programs for Children, Seniors and People with Disabilities		
	Jurisdiction Population less than 15,000 and Agency Operating Budget less than \$1M	Does City of York provide?
Summer camp	46%	Y
After school programs	40%	N
Specific senior programs	39%	N
Specific teen programs	35%	N
Preschool	18%	N
Programs for people with disabilities	14%	N
Before school programs	9%	N
Full daycare	5%	N
STEM programs	No data available	N

## SERVICE AREA ANALYSIS

The service area analysis reviews equitable access to a park facility for the City of York by placing a half mile buffer around the existing parks. A half mile on average takes 7 to 10 minutes to walk and is a measurement for walkability. More than a half mile walk could pose a barrier to access. As seen in the map below, the central core of the City has the best access to parks, while the peripheries are underserved, primarily in the northwest and southeast areas.



## 7. Vision, Goals + Objectives



Bike Trail

Based on feedback from the public, Steering Committee and City staff, the vision and goals identified in this chapter create a strategic direction for the City of York park system. Serving as a consistent framework, the vision and goals will help guide the City of York decision making process for capital improvements, new facilities, park operations, and park maintenance.

## VISION STATEMENT

The City of York provides a park system accessible to all ages and abilities that promotes community health and well-being and builds community connections.

## GOALS + OBJECTIVES

### 1. Improve Existing Parks

Goal: Improve existing parks for York residents and surrounding planning area.

- Advance and complete improvements at Tier 1 parks identified in this report in next 2 to 3 years.
- Advance and complete improvements at Tier 2 parks identified in this report in the next 5 years.

### 2. Accessibility for All

Goal: Provide access to parks for all ages and abilities.

- Improve ADA access system wide with all parks.
- Provide play elements across the park system for all ages and abilities.

### 3. Community Connections

Goal: Create opportunities to bring people together and build community connections.

- Include high quality gathering spaces and seating in existing park improvements and future park development.
- Provide diverse, multi-generational recreation programs.

### 4. Interconnected Park System

Goal: Provide an interconnected, multi-modal network to connect users to parks.

- Improve bicycle and pedestrian connections to parks.
- Implement a standardized wayfinding sign program throughout the City to provide clear directions to parks and increase awareness.
- Expand multi-use trail network within the City of York.

## 5. Branding

Goal: Develop a cohesive park and recreation brand and image.

- Standardize signage including park entrance, park rules, and park information throughout the park system.
- Standardize site furnishings throughout the park system.
- Update Parks and Recreation logo.
- Maintain parks and recreation website and materials with updated logo, colors, and graphics.

## 6. Maintain and Enhance

Goal: Provide safe and clean conditions for all users through regular and proper maintenance.

- Inventory existing conditions annually.
- Assess long-term maintenance and replacement needs.
- Utilize low maintenance plantings with existing park improvements or future parks.
- Incorporate maintenance into the design and planning of future parks and improvements.
- Incorporate Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) when designing and planning future park and existing park improvements.
- Assess staffing needs for park improvements or new park development to ensure optimal maintenance of parks.

## 7. Plan for Growth

Goal: Provide new park facilities that address facility gaps and support a comprehensive and equitable park system.

- Work towards establishing a level of service standard of 13.8 acres of parkland for every 1,000 residents.
- Provide all City of York residents a park within a ½ mile walk.
- Using the level of service standards established in this report, annually examine how the City of York is meeting current and projected needs.
- Identify underutilized land for future park expansion efforts.
- Establish partnerships to expand a multi-use trail system.

## 8. Funding

Goal: Establish sustainable funding resources to maintain and enhance park system and programs as well as expand facility and program offerings.

- Identify new sustainable funding sources (grants, impact fee, etc.)
- Work with City Council to create a short- and long-term funding plan to implement identified park improvements in this report.

## 8. Existing Park Recommendations



## OVERVIEW OF EXISTING PARK RECOMMENDATIONS

This chapter provides recommendations for improvements to existing parks, which was identified as the number one priority for implementation in the first public survey. With 12 recreation facilities located across City limits, the City of York provides most residents a recreation facility within a half mile walk. However, the entire existing park system is in immediate need of renovations to improve park conditions and provide quality park facilities for residents and visitors. Most facilities are significantly past their lifespan, creating underutilized and outdated public spaces.

Recommendations found in this chapter are based on public input, stakeholder input, local knowledge and expertise of City staff, the park system existing conditions inventory and assessment, and the park system needs assessment.

The following pages include concept plans for each existing park facility, highlighting recommended improvements consistent with supporting the City of York's vision and goals for the park system. The detailed planning level cost estimates for each park can be found in Chapter 10: Capital Improvement Plan.

## LINCOLN PARK

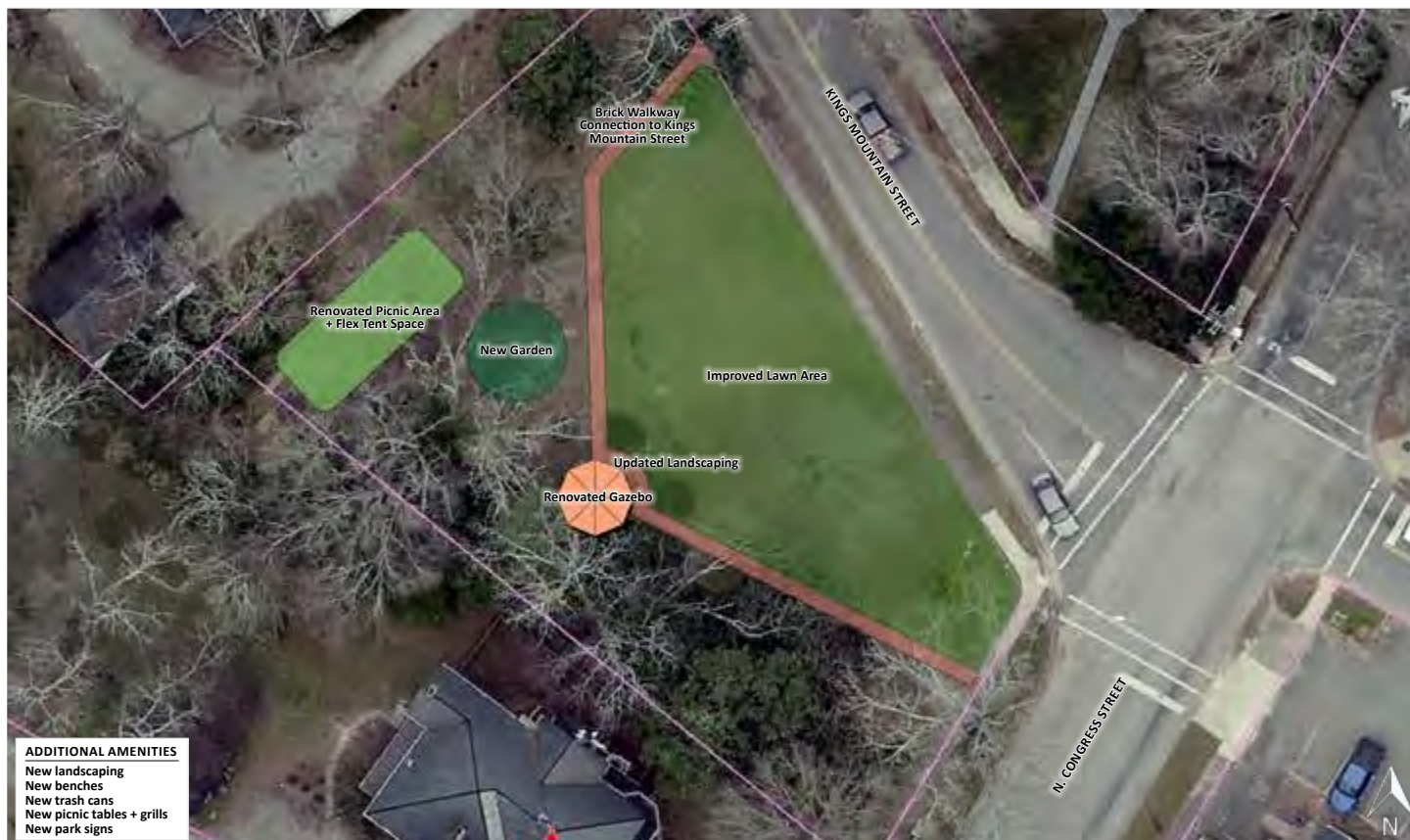


### Recommended Improvements

- Full court basketball renovation
- New playground expansion
- New playground surfacing
- New picnic pavilion, tables, and grill with one family restroom
- New gravel walking loop trail
- New fencing
- Renovated parking lot (14 spaces)
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$947,789

## MOORE PARK



### Recommended Improvements

- Renovated gazebo with updated landscaping
- Improved lawn area
- Brick walkway extension to Kings Mountain Street
- New garden
- Renovated picnic area and new flex tent space
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$241,411

## CITY PARK



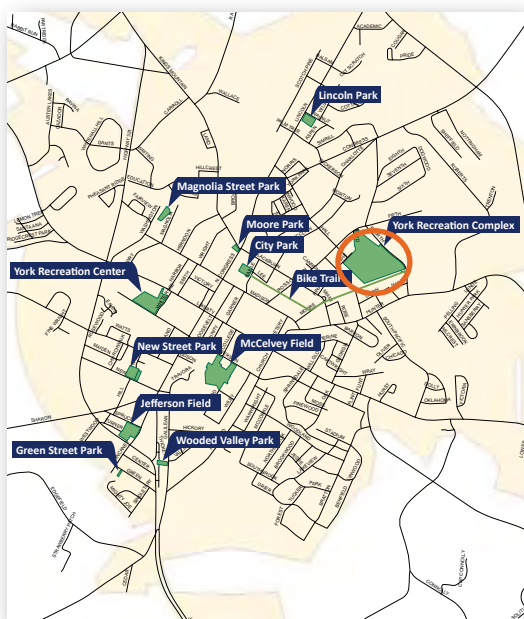
### Recommended Improvements

- The City of York recently renovated City Park and held a ribbon cutting ceremony on May 1, 2021. The renovated park includes a family splash pad, two covered picnic pavilions, and walking and biking trails.
- The City of York is working to advance Phase II of renovations which includes an outdoor stage and restroom building.
- This report supports the City's efforts for Phase II renovations.

### Total Estimated Cost for Improvements

\$250,000 (City applying for funding and provided estimate)

## YORK RECREATION COMPLEX

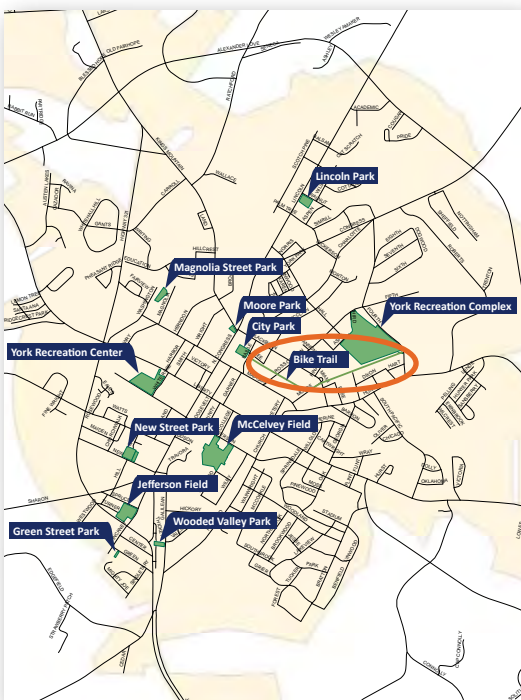


### Recommended Improvements

- Renovated baseball/softball fields (5)
- New picnic shelter, tables, grill (3)
- Renovated restroom and concession building (2)
- New playground
- New asphalt surfacing on walking loop trail
- New batting cages (6)
- Renovated dog park
- Renovated corn hole/horse shoes
- New fitness stations (6)
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$2,007,924

## BIKE TRAIL



### Recommended Improvements

- Trail resurfacing (City has received funding)
- New signs and kiosks (City has received funding)
- New bike racks (City has received funding)
- New pull off bench areas (4)
- New spur trail connection to York Recreation Complex near William Street
- New fitness stations (4)
- New marked crosswalks at roadway intersections(4)
- New landscaping
- New lighting
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$155,407

## MAGNOLIA STREET PARK



### Recommended Improvements

- Full court basketball renovation
- New playground
- New picnic pavilion, tables, and grill with one family restroom
- New parking lot (12 spaces)
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$731,590

## OPTIMIST FIELD



### Recommended Improvements

- New multi-purpose soccer/football field
- New picnic shelter, tables, grill
- Renovated parking lot (30 spaces)
- Renovated restroom and concession building
- New gravel walking loop trail
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$1,234,912

## McCELVEY FIELD



### Recommended Improvements

- Renovated baseball/softball practice field
- New multi-purpose soccer/football field
- New family restroom
- New parking lot (33 spaces)
- Renovated access drive
- New gravel walking loop trail
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$897,784

## NEW STREET PARK



### Recommended Improvements

- 2 full court basketball redesign and renovations
- New picnic shelter, tables, grill and one family restroom
- New parking lot (8 spaces)
- New playground
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$760,198

## JEFFERSON FIELD



### Recommended Improvements

- Outdoor stage with lawn seating
- Full court basketball renovation
- Large family picnic pavilion with one family restroom
- New multi-purpose field
- New baseball field (outfield overlays with multi-purpose field)
- New playground
- New gravel walking loop trail
- New fencing
- New parking lot (34 spaces)
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$1,449,919

## WOODED VALLEY PARK



### Recommended Improvements

- New open lawn area
- New picnic shelter, tables, grill and one family restroom
- Renovated parking lot (10 spaces)
- New playground
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$684,208

## GREEN STREET PARK



### Recommended Improvements

- Full court basketball renovation to half-court basketball with games
- New playground
- New picnic shelter
- New parking lot (4 spaces)
- New sidewalk
- New landscaping
- New signs
- New benches
- New lighting
- New trash cans
- Improved ADA access

Total Estimated Cost for Improvements  
\$252,555

# 9. Future Park Recommendations



Green Street Park

## OVERVIEW OF FUTURE PARK RECOMMENDATIONS

This chapter provides recommendations for new future park facilities. Faced with meeting gaps identified in the existing park system as well as preparing for continued population growth, it is necessary for the City of York to identify and acquire land for new park facilities. Many of the existing park facilities serve small, localized neighborhoods. Larger parks for the entire York community to enjoy are needed not only to serve a broader audience but also to improve the current level of service of 8.8 acres of park land per 1,000 residents to 13.8 acres of park land per 1,000 residents.

## NEW RECREATION CENTER/COMMUNITY CENTER WITH AQUATICS

The existing York Recreation Center does not currently meet the needs of the City of York. Outdated and compact, a larger, new facility better equipped to handle a variety of programs, events, and activities is recommended. In particular, a new up to date indoor basketball facility and aquatic center are facilities highly desired by the public as useful recreation facilities for all ages. The new recreation center will also serve as a core community hub and gathering space, providing new opportunities and spaces for the City of York.



Photos: Maxcy Gregg Pool in Columbia, SC (left) and Riverview Park Activities Center in North Augusta, SC (right)

## NEW MULTI-USE FIELD SPORTS COMPLEX

The City of York park system is currently in need of multi-purpose sport fields for athletic programming. The baseball outfields at the York Recreation Complex and Optimist Field are utilized for youth football practices and games, impacting facility conditions and programming scheduling. A dedicated sports complex with multi-purpose sport fields will not only address these field use demands but also provide opportunities for new athletic and recreation programming and events. Other amenities like a walking loop trail, restrooms, and play areas should be included in the complex.



Photos: Gary L. Pittman Memorial Park in Greenville, SC and Suber Road Soccer Park in Greer, SC (right)

## NEW COMMUNITY PARK

With many small neighborhood parks a part of the existing York park system, a larger 10- to 20-acre community park is recommended for passive recreation including play areas, community event space, and family/friend gathering areas.



Photos: Virginia Hylton Park in Lexington, SC (left) and Generations Park in Aiken, SC (right)

## NEW DOG PARK

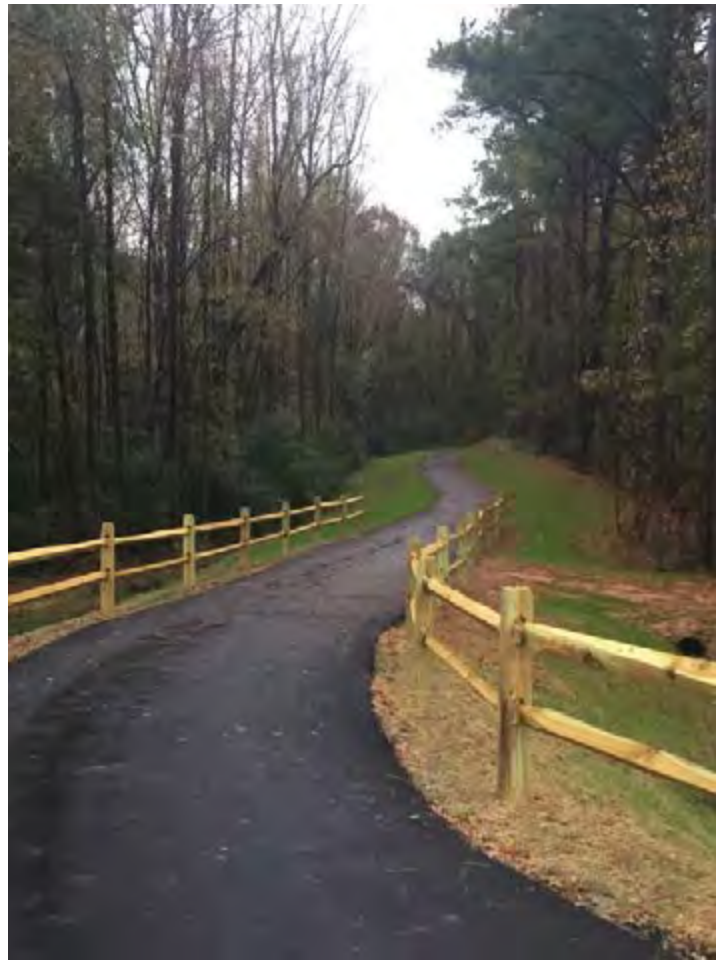
Dog parks are one of the fastest growing amenities park and recreation agencies offer. Dog parks not only provide a safe place for pet exercise and socialization but also promotes community connections between park users. It also provides an opportunity for revenue for the City with sponsorships and memberships.



Photos: Mary Warner Mack Dog Park in Fort Mill, SC (left and right)

## 2 MILES OF NEW PAVED GREENWAY/MULTI-USE TRAIL

As the number one desired amenity by the public and identified as a large gap in the existing facility inventory, 2 new miles of paved greenway or multi-use trail in a nature based setting is recommended. Paved greenways promote exercise/fitness, spending time with family and friends, and connecting with nature, all of which are the top reasons identified in the first public survey as to why people in York use parks.



Photos: Riverwalk Piedmont Medical Trail in Rock Hill, SC (left) and Lindsay Pettus Greenway in Lancaster, SC (right)

# 10. Capital Improvement Plan



Optimist Field

## OVERVIEW OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Critical to the implementation of the parks master plan is having a sound understanding of costs associated with recommended improvements and prioritizing projects through a Capital Improvement Plan. The Capital Improvement Plan will provide short- and long-term guidance for City staff and City Council to improve and develop park facilities.

This chapter provides estimated capital costs for improvements to existing parks and estimated capital costs for new future park facilities. The estimated costs outlined in this chapter do not include the ongoing operations and maintenance costs for the park system. This is important for the City to review as improvements are made to ensure the appropriate resources are in place to support the park infrastructure.

After evaluation of public input, stakeholder input, park site evaluations with City staff, and reviewing gaps in the existing park system facilities, all of the recommended existing park improvements and recommended future facilities have been prioritized into a Capital Improvement Plan, providing an implementable action plan for City staff and City Council.

## EXISTING PARK FACILITIES CAPITAL COSTS

The total estimated cost for recommended improvements to the existing City of York park system (both land owned and leased by the City) totals \$9.5 million. The following pages entail detailed opinion of probable costs for each park.

Existing Park Facilities	
<b>Planning Opinion of Probable Cost</b> <b>Prepared for: City of York, SC</b> <b>Prepared by: The Dodd Studio</b>  <b>5.4.2021</b>	
PARK	TOTAL
York Recreation Complex	\$2,007,924
Jefferson Field	\$1,449,919
Optimist Field	\$1,234,912
Lincoln Park	\$947,789
McCelvey Field	\$897,874
New Street Park	\$760,198
Magnolia Street Park	\$731,590
Wooded Valley Park	\$684,208
Green Street Park	\$252,555
City Park	\$250,000
Moore Park	\$214,411
Bike Trail	\$155,407
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,586,787</b>

# YORK RECREATION COMPLEX

York Recreation Complex Improvements				
74 Fourth Street, York, SC				
Planning Opinion of Probable Cost				
Prepared for: City of York, SC				
Prepared by: The Dodd Studio				
5.4.2021				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Renovated Dog Park	1	LS	\$60,000.00	\$60,000
Renovated Corn Hole Area	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Playground (Tot Lot)	1	LS	\$45,000.00	\$45,000
Resurface Asphalt Walking Loop (Approx. 1 mile)	1	LS	\$80,000.00	\$80,000
Pour in Place Surfacing for Existing Playground	1	LS	\$80,000.00	\$80,000
Renovated Baseball/Softball Field	5	EA	\$110,000.00	\$550,000
Renovated Restroom/Concession Building	2	LS	\$80,000.00	\$160,000
Fitness Stations along Walking Loop	6	EA	\$2,000.00	\$12,000
Batting Cages	6	EA	\$8,000.00	\$48,000
Picnic Shelters (Tables, grills)	3	EA	\$45,000.00	\$135,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000
Signage	1	LS	\$1,600.00	\$1,600
Benches	10	EA	\$700.00	\$7,000
Lighting	20	EA	\$3,500.00	\$70,000
Trash Cans	20	EA	\$700.00	\$14,000
Elements for Improved ADA Access	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
YORK RECREATION COMPLEX Subtotal			\$1,347,600	
CONTINGENCY & REQUIREMENTS		%		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$161,712
GC General Conditions	10%			\$134,760
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$161,712
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$202,140
Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal			\$660,324	
			TOTAL	\$2,007,924

# JEFFERSON FIELD

## Jefferson Field Improvements

**37 Pinckney Street, York, SC**

**Owner: York School District 1**

**Planning Opinion of Probable Cost**

**Prepared for: City of York, SC**

**Prepared by: The Dodd Studio**

**5.4.2021**

ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Outdoor Stage with Lawn Seating (Utilize Overlay Field)	1	LS	\$150,000.00	\$150,000
Renovated Full Basketball Court	1	LS	\$60,000.00	\$60,000
Large Family Pavilion (Tables, Grills) with One Family Restroom	1	LS	\$265,000.00	\$265,000
Soccer/Baseball Multi-Purpose Field	1	LS	\$175,000.00	\$175,000
Playground	1	LS	\$65,000.00	\$65,000
Trail (Gravel Walking Loop)	1	LS	\$30,000.00	\$30,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Parking Lot	1	LS	\$120,000.00	\$120,000
Fencing	1	LS	\$25,000.00	\$25,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$12,000.00	\$12,000
Signage	1	LS	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	6	EA	\$700.00	\$4,200
Pedestrian Lighting	2	EA	\$3,500.00	\$7,000
Trash Cans	3	EA	\$700.00	\$2,100
Elements for ADA access	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Stormwater BMPs	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$12,000.00	\$12,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
<b>JEFFERSON FIELD Subtotal</b>				<b>\$973,100</b>
<b>CONTINGENCY &amp; REQUIREMENTS</b>		<b>%</b>		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$116,772
GC General Conditions	10%			\$97,310
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$116,772
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$145,965
<b>Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal</b>				<b>\$476,819</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$1,449,919</b>

# OPTIMIST FIELD

Optimist Field Improvements				
21 White Rose Lane, York, SC				
Planning Opinion of Probable Cost				
Prepared for: City of York, SC				
Prepared by: The Dodd Studio				
5.4.2021				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
New Recreation Center/Community Center (See Future Facilities)	-	-	-	-
New Multi-Purpose Soccer/Football Field	1	LS	\$400,000.00	\$400,000
Renovated Parking Lot	1	LS	\$120,000.00	\$120,000
Renovated Concession/Restroom Facility	1	LS	\$60,000.00	\$60,000
Picnic Shelter (Picnic Table, Grill)	1	LS	\$45,000.00	\$45,000
Trail (Gravel Walking Loop)	1	LS	\$30,000.00	\$30,000
Renovated Field Erosion/Stormwater Issues	1	LS	\$85,000.00	\$85,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Signage	1	LS	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	4	EA	\$700.00	\$2,800
Lighting	4	EA	\$3,500.00	\$14,000
Trash Cans	6	EA	\$700.00	\$4,200
Elements for Improved ADA Access	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Stormwater BMPs	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
OPTIMIST FIELD Subtotal		\$828,800		
CONTINGENCY & REQUIREMENTS		%		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$99,456
GC General Conditions	10%			\$82,880
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$99,456
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$124,320
Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal		\$406,112		
TOTAL			\$1,234,912	

# LINCOLN PARK

Lincoln Park Improvements				
<b>108 Walnut Street, York, SC</b>				
<b>Planning Opinion of Probable Cost</b>				
<b>Prepared for: City of York, SC</b>				
<b>Prepared by: The Dodd Studio</b>				
<b>5.4.2021</b>				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Renovated Parking Lot	1	LS	\$120,000.00	\$120,000
Renovated Full Basketball Court	1	LS	\$60,000.00	\$60,000
Playground Expansion	1	LS	\$65,000.00	\$65,000
Pour in Place Surface for Playground	1	LS	\$70,000.00	\$70,000
Picnic Pavilion (Picnic tables, grill) with One Family Restroom	1	LS	\$220,000.00	\$220,000
Trail (Gravel Walking Loop)	1	LS	\$18,000.00	\$18,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Fencing	1	LS	\$16,000.00	\$16,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$8,000.00	\$8,000
Signage	1	LS	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	6	EA	\$700.00	\$4,200
Lighting	2	EA	\$3,500.00	\$7,000
Trash Cans	3	EA	\$700.00	\$2,100
Elements for ADA Access	1	LS	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Stormwater BMPs	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
<b>LINCOLN PARK Subtotal</b>				<b>\$636,100</b>
<b>CONTINGENCY &amp; REQUIREMENTS</b>		<b>%</b>		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$76,332
GC General Conditions	10%			\$63,610
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$76,332
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$95,415
<b>Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal</b>				<b>\$311,689</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$947,789</b>

## McCELVEY FIELD

McCelvey Field Improvements				
212 E. Jefferson Street, York, SC				
Owner: York County				
Planning Opinion of Probable Cost				
Prepared for: City of York, SC				
Prepared by: The Dodd Studio				
5.4.2021				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Renovated Access Drive	1	LS	\$40,000.00	\$40,000
Asphalt Parking Lot	1	LS	\$110,000.00	\$110,000
Soccer/Baseball Multi-Purpose Field	1	LS	\$175,000.00	\$175,000
Seating/Bleachers	1	LS	\$12,000.00	\$12,000
Trail (Gravel Walking Loop)	1	LS	\$9,000.00	\$9,000
One Family Restroom	1	LS	\$175,000.00	\$175,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$12,000.00	\$12,000
Signage	1	EA	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	6	EA	\$700.00	\$4,200
Lighting	3	EA	\$3,500.00	\$10,500
Trash Cans	3	EA	\$700.00	\$2,100
Elements for ADA access	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Stormwater BMPs	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$10,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
McCELVEY FIELD Subtotal			\$602,600	
CONTINGENCY & REQUIREMENTS		%		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$72,312
GC General Conditions	10%			\$60,260
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$72,312
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$90,390
Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal			\$295,274	
TOTAL				\$897,874

## NEW STREET PARK

### New Street Park Improvements

104 New Street, York, SC

#### Planning Opinion of Probable Cost

Prepared for: City of York, SC

Prepared by: The Dodd Studio

5.4.2021

ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
2 Full Court Basketball Redesign + Renovations	2	EA	\$65,000.00	\$130,000
Playground	1	LS	\$45,000.00	\$45,000
Picnic Shelter (Tables + Grills) with One Family Restroom	1	LS	\$220,000.00	\$220,000
Parking Lot	1	LS	\$25,000.00	\$25,000
Fencing	1	LS	\$12,000.00	\$12,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$8,000.00	\$8,000
Signage	1	EA	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	4	EA	\$700.00	\$2,800
Lighting	3	EA	\$3,500.00	\$10,500
Trash Cans	3	EA	\$700.00	\$2,100
Elements for ADA access	1	LS	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Stormwater BMPs	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
<b>NEW STREET PARK Subtotal</b>				<b>\$510,200</b>
<b>CONTINGENCY &amp; REQUIREMENTS</b>		<b>%</b>		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$61,224
GC General Conditions	10%			\$51,020
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$61,224
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$76,530
<b>Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal</b>				<b>\$249,998</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$760,198</b>

# MAGNOLIA STREET PARK

Magnolia Street Park Improvements				
33 Magnolia Street, York, SC				
Planning Opinion of Probable Cost				
Prepared for: City of York, SC				
Prepared by: The Dodd Studio				
5.4.2021				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Renovated Full Court Basketball	1	LS	\$60,000.00	\$60,000
Parking Lot	1	LS	\$80,000.00	\$80,000
Picnic Pavilion (Picnic tables, grill) with One Family Restroom	1	LS	\$220,000.00	\$220,000
Playground	1	LS	\$65,000.00	\$65,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$8,000.00	\$8,000
Signage	1	EA	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	4	EA	\$700.00	\$2,800
Lighting	2	EA	\$3,500.00	\$7,000
Trash Cans	2	EA	\$700.00	\$1,400
Elements for ADA access	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Stormwater BMPs	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
MAGNOLIA STREET PARK Subtotal		\$491,000		
CONTINGENCY & REQUIREMENTS		%		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$58,920
GC General Conditions	10%			\$49,100
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$58,920
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$73,650
Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal		\$240,590		
TOTAL			\$731,590	

## WOODED VALLEY PARK

Wooded Valley Park Improvements				
190 Galilean Road, York, SC				
Planning Opinion of Probable Cost				
Prepared for: City of York, SC				
Prepared by: The Dodd Studio				
5.4.2021				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Renovated and Expanded Parking Lot	1	LS	\$90,000.00	\$90,000
Open Lawn	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Playground	1	LS	\$65,000.00	\$65,000
Picnic Shelter (Table, Grill) with One Family Restroom	1	LS	\$220,000.00	\$220,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$8,000.00	\$8,000
Signage	1	EA	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	4	EA	\$700.00	\$2,800
Lighting	3	EA	\$3,500.00	\$10,500
Trash Cans	3	EA	\$700.00	\$2,100
Elements for ADA access	1	LS	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Stormwater BMPs	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
WOODED VALLEY PARK Subtotal			\$459,200	
CONTINGENCY & REQUIREMENTS		%		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$55,104
GC General Conditions	10%			\$45,920
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$55,104
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$68,880
Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal			\$225,008	
TOTAL				\$684,208

# GREEN STREET PARK

Green Street Park Improvements				
41 Green Street, York, SC				
Planning Opinion of Probable Cost				
Prepared for: City of York, SC				
Prepared by: The Dodd Studio				
5.4.2021				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Renovated 1/2 Court Basketball	1	LS	\$40,000.00	\$40,000
Play Area	1	LS	\$30,000.00	\$30,000
Picnic Pavilion (tables, grills)	1	LS	\$45,000.00	\$45,000
Parking Lot	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000
Sidewalk	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Signage	1	EA	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	4	EA	\$700.00	\$2,800
Lighting	2	EA	\$3,500.00	\$7,000
Trash Cans	2	EA	\$700.00	\$1,400
Elements for ADA access	1	LS	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
GREEN STREET PARK Subtotal		\$169,500		
CONTINGENCY & REQUIREMENTS		%		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$20,340
GC General Conditions	10%			\$16,950
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$20,340
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$25,425
Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal		\$83,055		
TOTAL			\$252,555	

## MOORE PARK

### Moore Park Improvements

131 N. Congress Street, York, SC

#### Planning Opinion of Probable Cost

Prepared for: City of York, SC

Prepared by: The Dodd Studio

5.4.2021

ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Renovated Gazebo	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000
Renovated Picnic Area (Table, Grill)	1	LS	\$12,000.00	\$12,000
Renovated Lawn	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000
Garden	1	LS	\$8,000.00	\$8,000
Tented Area	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Brick sidewalk connection to Kings Mountain Street	1	LS	\$30,000.00	\$30,000
Drainage Improvements for Brick Sidewalk	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Landscaping	1	LS	\$9,000.00	\$9,000
Signage	1	EA	\$800.00	\$800
Benches	5	EA	\$700.00	\$3,500
Lighting	4	EA	\$3,500.00	\$14,000
Trash Cans	3	EA	\$700.00	\$2,100
Elements for ADA access	1	LS	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$4,500.00	\$4,500
Mobilization	1	LS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
<b>MOORE PARK Subtotal</b>				<b>\$143,900</b>
<b>CONTINGENCY &amp; REQUIREMENTS</b>		<b>%</b>		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$17,268
GC General Conditions	10%			\$14,390
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$17,268
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$21,585
<b>Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal</b>				<b>\$70,511</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$214,411</b>

## BIKE TRAIL

Bike Trail Improvements				
245 Raile Street, York, SC				
Planning Opinion of Probable Cost				
Prepared for: City of York, SC				
Prepared by: The Dodd Studio				
5.4.2021				
ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Pull Off Rest Areas	4	EA	\$3,000.00	\$12,000
Fitness Stations	4	EA	\$2,000.00	\$8,000
Spur Trail to Complex	1	LS	\$18,000.00	\$18,000
Marked Crosswalks	4	EA	\$2,000.00	\$8,000
Bike Racks (Funded through RTP)	-	-	-	-
Trail Resurfacing (Funded through RTP)	-	-	-	-
Landscaping	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Signage + Kiosks (Funded through RTP)	-	-	-	-
Benches	4	EA	\$700.00	\$2,800
Lighting	5	EA	\$3,500.00	\$17,500
Elements for ADA Access	1	LS	\$8,000.00	\$8,000
Erosion Control and Construction Entrance	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Mobilization	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
BIKE TRAIL Subtotal		\$104,300		
CONTINGENCY & REQUIREMENTS		%		
Design Services (Survey, Design, Engineering, Permitting, Bidding and CA)	12%			\$12,516
GC General Conditions	10%			\$10,430
GC Overhead and Profit	12%			\$12,516
15% Project Contingency	15%			\$15,645
Soft Cost + Contingency Subtotal		\$51,107		
TOTAL				\$155,407

## NEW FUTURE PARK FACILITIES CAPITAL COSTS

The total estimated cost for recommended new future park facilities total \$21 million to \$31 million. The chart below outlines the estimated costs for each new future park facility.

New Future Park Facilities	
<b>Planning Opinion of Probable Cost</b> <b>Prepared for: City of York, SC</b> <b>Prepared by: The Dodd Studio</b>  <b>5.4.2021</b>	
ITEM	TOTAL
New Recreation Center/Community Center w/ Aquatics	\$10M - \$20M
New Sports Complex with Soccer/Football Multi-Use Fields and Walking Loop	\$8M
Community Park with Play Areas and Gathering Spaces	\$1.5M
2 miles of Paved, Asphalt Greenway	\$1M
Dog Park	\$300,000
<b>NEW FACILITIES Subtotal</b>	<b>\$21M - \$31M</b>

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The existing and future park projects identified in this chapter have been categorized into four tiers of priority and timeline for implementation. Based on the condition of the existing park system, it is recommended to first address the needed improvements at all existing parks owned by the City of York. The improvements should be completed in totality at each park instead of piecemeal improvements scattered between each park. Total renovation of each park space will provide safe, accessible and engaging public spaces for the community to recreate, gather, and get outside.

### Tier One Projects

Tier One projects are existing park improvements that are achievable for the City of York to implement in the next one to three years. Tier One projects include improvements at City Park and the Bike Trail. These two park facilities have been identified as a top priority based on public input, stakeholder input, addressing gaps in park facility needs, and the ability to implement in the short-term future.

Tier 1 Projects	Timeline for Implementation	Estimated Cost
York Bike Trail Improvements	1 - 3 years	\$155,407
City Park Improvements	1 - 3 years	\$250,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$405,407</b>

### Bike Trail

- The City of York has secured funding for enhancements to the trail including asphalt resurfacing, signage and kiosks, and bike racks. Implementing the additional recommended improvements will leverage this funding, creating a high-quality standard for paved greenways and multi-use trails in the City.
- The Bike Trail was identified through the first public survey as the third park facility in most need of support over the next 3 to 5 years.
- The Bike Trail was identified in the first public survey as the most frequently used facility in the existing City of York park system.

### City Park

- The City of York renovated City Park in 2021 to include a splash pad, two picnic shelters, and a paved trail for walking and running.
- The City of York is currently working to advance phase two renovations which include a restroom and outdoor stage.
- Phase Two renovations were heavily supported by the public in the second public input survey.
- Phase Two improvements will leverage funding already invested into the park by completing a full renovation of the park, as recommended with all other park facilities in this report – complete in totality to provide a high quality park facility rather than piecemeal improvements.

### Tier Two Projects

Tier Two projects include the remaining existing park improvements on park land owned by the City of York. The City should aim to secure funding and complete Tier Two projects in the next three to five years. Tier Two projects include improvements at York Recreation Complex, Lincoln Park, Optimist Field, New Street Park, Magnolia Street Park, Wooded Valley Park, Moore Park, and Green Street Park.

Tier 2 Projects	Timeline for Implementation	Estimated Cost
York Recreation Complex Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$2,007,924
Optimist Field Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$1,234,912
Lincoln Park Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$947,789
New Street Park Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$760,198
Magnolia Street Park Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$731,590
Wooded Valley Park Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$684,208
Green Street Park Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$252,555
Moore Park Improvements	3 - 5 years	\$214,411
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$6,833,587</b>

### Tier Three Projects

Tier Three projects include existing park improvements on park land leased by the City, which is Jefferson Field (owned by York School District 1) and McCelvey Field (owned by York County). City staff and City Council will need to discuss the future of these two leased properties, how they function for the City park and recreation system, and how and if the City envisions utilizing the fields as York continues to grow.

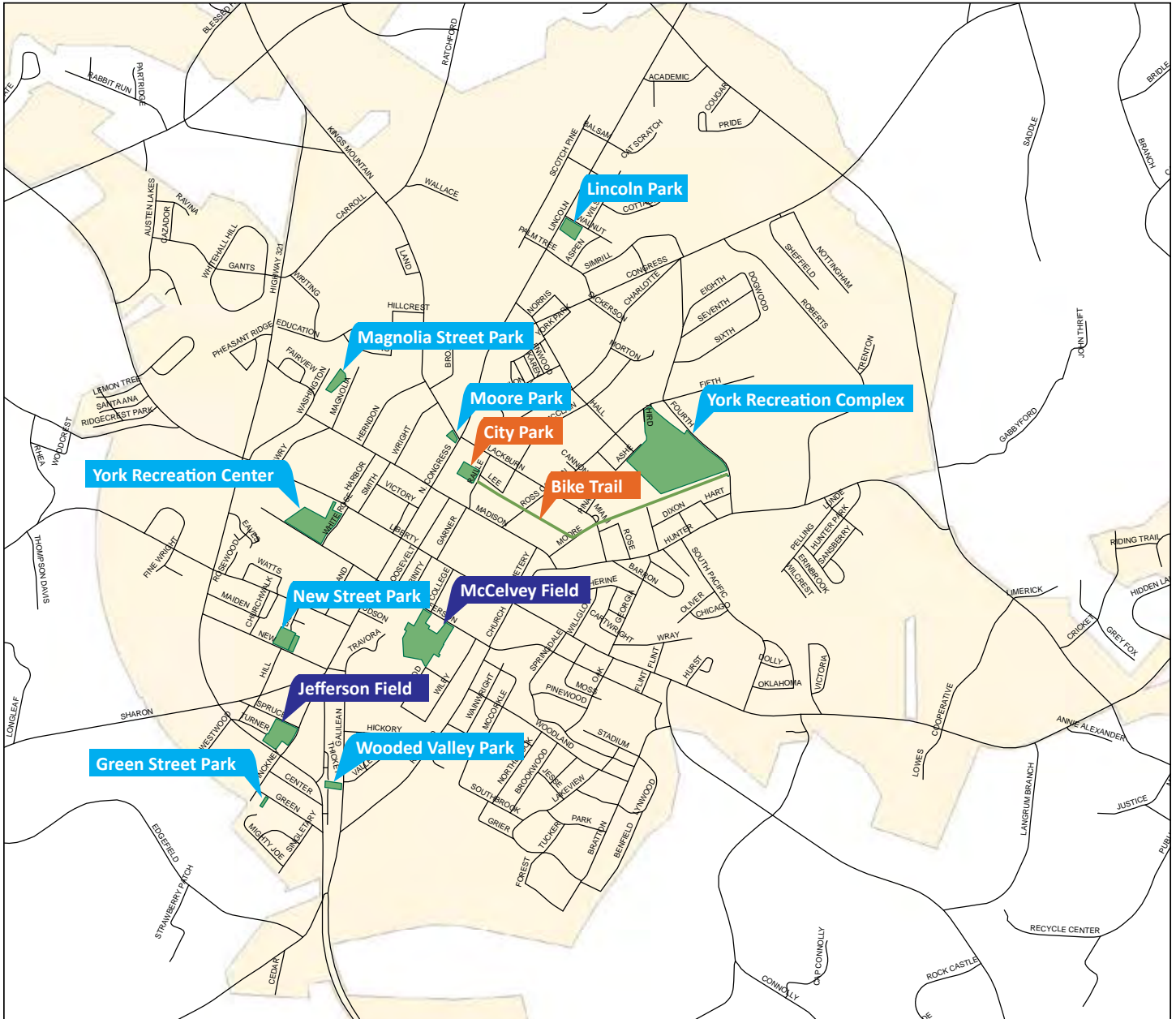
Tier 3 Projects	Timeline for Implementation	Estimated Cost
Jefferson Field Improvements	TBD	\$1,449,919
McKelvey Field Improvements	TBD	\$897,874
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,347,793</b>

### Tier Four Projects

All new future park facilities are Tier Four projects with a goal of implementation in the next 10 years. While these future facilities are important to the York park system and meeting both existing and future needs, it is critical to first renovate the existing network of parks to ensure a high-quality standard of park and recreation facilities is equitably distributed among the York community.

Tier 4 Projects	Timeline for Implementation	Estimated Cost
New Recreation Center w/ Aquatics	10 years	\$10M - \$20M
New Multi-Use Soccer/Football Field Sports Complex	10 years	\$8M
New Community Park	10 years	\$1.5M
New 2 Miles Paved Greenway/Multi-Use Trail	10 years	\$1M
New Dog Park	10 years	\$300,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$21M to \$31M</b>

## Map of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 Projects



### Legend

- Parcels
- Streets
- City Parks
- City of York Boundary
- Tier One Project
- Tier Two Project
- Tier Three Project

## City of York, SC

### Park Location Map

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet



# 10. Funding Sources



York Recreation Complex

## FUNDING SOURCES

This chapter outlines opportunities for funding to implement the prioritized capital improvements identified in this report. Securing sustainable sources of funding for parks and recreation will allow the York Parks Master Plan to be put into action and improvements to be realized within the existing park system.

### General Fund

The General Fund for the City of York is comprised of 12 departments and budgets, including the Recreation Department. It is funded by taxes, fees, fines, service contracts, grants and transfers. The General Fund supports essential City services and other services defined by City Council. For fiscal year 2021, the Parks and Recreation budget is \$819,500, down 19% from \$1,013,095 in fiscal year 2020. The year-over-year reduction in budget is due to personnel cost savings, eliminating capital expenditures, and more closely aligning resources with needs.

### Tourism Fund

Funded by the City of York's Hospitality Tax and Accommodations Tax, the Tourism Fund focuses on attracting tourists and revenue drivers including events, marketing, beautification, landscaping and other relevant capital projects. For fiscal year 2021, the Tourism Fund budget is \$566,000, up nearly 10% from fiscal year 2020's budget of \$515,000.

### Impact Fee

As defined by the American Planning Association, impact fees are payments required by local governments of new development for the purpose of providing new or expanded public capital facilities required to serve that development. The South Carolina Development Impact Fee Act gives municipal and county governments the right to adopt impact fees. Local communities use impact fees to finance a wide variety of public facilities including schools, libraries, parks, and public safety facilities.

### New Tax District

A new tax district is an additional way to fund parks and recreation projects specifically. Lake Wylie, SC provides a good example of this form of funding. In 2020, Lake Wylie residents voted in favor of creating a new tax district to support acquisition of greenspace property, conservation, historic restoration, passive recreation, and interactive community uses. Taxes levied by the new district will be capped at \$10 million in construction or land acquisition. If supported by residents, a similar funding mechanism can provide direct support for park and recreation projects in the City of York.

### Debt Financing

Typically, general obligation bonds are debt instruments issued by states and local governments to raise funds for public projects that do not provide a direct source of revenue (i.e. roads, bridges, parks, equipment). The government entity can make interest and principal payments using any source of revenue available to them, such as tax revenues, fees, or the issuance of new securities. General Obligation bonds are viewed as a relatively safe mechanism to fund projects.

## Local Fundraising

Establishing a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in direct support of the local park system can provide a new opportunity for funding of park improvements and programs. With a strong community fabric, local fundraising in York can be successful by leveraging local businesses, organizations and private individuals. The non-profit organization can work with the City of York to secure program sponsorship, in-kind donations, and charitable donations as well as host events.

## Naming Rights

According to a National Recreation and Park Association survey on local government officials' perception, parks and recreation is well regarded, viewed as a community asset for addressing community issues, and are used by most people in the area. Local park systems, therefore, provide a great opportunity for naming rights. Often facilities are family friendly, community focused, sport oriented and connected to youth, providing a variety of connections for aligning brands with parks. From complexes, fields and community centers, naming rights provide businesses an avenue to connect to their community and build brand loyalty.

## Fee for Special Events

The City of York should review all events not sponsored by the City but where City park and recreation staff assistance or park facilities are utilized. For these events, the City of York should consider a flat rate or percentage fee as a way to provide funds directly back to the park system.

## Grants

**Grant Organization:** South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism

**Grant Name (if applicable):** Parks and Recreation Development Fund

**Description:** The PARD grant program is a state-funded noncompetitive reimbursable grant program for eligible local government or special purposes district entities within each county which provide recreational opportunities. Each application must have the endorsement of its county legislative delegation members whose combined weight factor is more than 50%.

**What they fund:** Development of new public recreation facilities or enhancement/renovations to existing facilities

**Funds available:** PARD funds are generated from bingo taxes collected from July 1 –June 30 of each new fiscal year. The PARD funds are allocated to each county beginning July 1 of each new fiscal year. Each county will receive at least Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00). 75% of the remaining funds is distributed to the counties based on the county's percent of the State population as published in 'Current Population Reports' by the Bureau of the Census.

**Grant cycle:** Monthly grant cycle. Application deadline is the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.

**Match amount:** Eligible project costs will be reimbursed at a rate of 80%.

**Website:** <https://www.scprrt.com/recreation/recreation-grant-programs/park-and-recreation-development-fund>

**Grant Organization:** South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism

**Grant Name (if applicable):** Recreational Trails Program

**Description:** The South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (SCPRT) administers the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) under the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). RTP, a federally funded program, receives its funding from a portion of federal gas taxes paid on fuel used in nonhighway recreational vehicles.

**What they fund:** Funds can be spent on both Motorized and Nonmotorized recreational trail projects — to construct new recreational trails, improve/maintain existing trails, develop/improve trailhead or trailside facilities and acquire trail corridors.

**Funds available:** Individual trail grants can range from a minimum of \$10,000 (\$12,500 would be the total project cost) to \$100,000 maximum (\$125,000—total project cost), with the exception of Motorized projects.

**Grant cycle:** Annual grant application

**Match amount:** the grant recipient must pay 100% of the cost of an item before submitting a reimbursement request for 80% of eligible costs.

**Website:** <https://www.scprr.com/recreation/recreation-grant-programs/recreational-trails-program>

**Grant Organization:** LWCF State and Local Assistance Program and South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism

**Grant Name (if applicable):** Land and Water Conservation Fund

**Description:** The LWCF is a Federal program that provides matching grants for the acquisition or development of outdoor recreation areas and facilities. The LWCF program has always required that any property acquired or developed with its funds be maintained in perpetuity as an active and viable outdoor recreation venue. Revitalizing existing LWCF properties is a topline priority. New park projects, especially those that address capacity issues, are eligible but will have to qualify through an on-site inspection, that all of the existing LWCF properties are in good shape and are being used appropriately.

**What they fund:** Acquisition, development and planning of outdoor recreation opportunities

**Funds available:** The minimum grant request is \$50,000 and the maximum is \$300,000.

**Grant cycle:** Annual LWCF spending is allocated to federal activities and a state financial assistance program.

**Match amount:** This is a reimbursable grant program requiring a 50 percent match.

**Website:** <https://www.scprr.com/recreation/recreation-grant-programs/land-and-water-conservation-fund>

**Grant Organization:** South Carolina Department of Transportation

**Grant Name (if applicable):** SC Transportation Alternative Program

**Description:** The program is a “grant” program under Federal regulation. It is not an “up-front” grant program and funds are available only on a reimbursement basis. Only after a project has been approved by the State Department of Transportation or Metropolitan Planning Organization and the FHWA division office, can costs become eligible for reimbursement. Costs must be incurred after FHWA division office project approval, or they are not eligible for reimbursement.

**What they fund:** Pedestrian facilities, bicycle facilities, streetscape projects

**Funds available:** \$1,834,589 Million - In areas of the State other than urban areas with a population greater than 5,000

**Grant Cycle:** Applications are accepted year round.

**Match amount:** The Federal government will pay for up to 80% of eligible project costs for a TAP project. A local match is required to pay for 20% or more of the remaining project costs.

**Website:** <https://www.scdot.org/projects/community-transportation-alternatives.aspx>

**Grant Organization:** National Recreation and Park Association

**Grant Name (if applicable):** N/A

**Description:** The NRPA provides information on grant and fundraising opportunities that are available for park and recreation agencies and affiliated friend groups and 501(c)(3) non-profits. There are no current grants available through the NRPA to support the City of York Parks Master Plan.

**Website:** <https://www.nrpa.org/our-work/Grant-Fundraising-Resources/>

**Grant Organization:** People for Bikes

**Grant Name (if applicable):** PeopleForBikes Community Grant Program

**Description:** People for Bikes supports and advocates for the construction of trails that allow biking to be more accessible. They do not require a specific percentage match. People for Bikes will not consider grant requests in which their funding would amount to 50% or more of the project budget. Each application must have the support from an elected official, a bicycle industry representative, and another business representative.

**What they fund:** Bike paths, lanes, trails, parks, and bridges.

**Funds available:** Funding up to \$10,000.00.

**Grant Cycle:** Spring and a Fall grant cycle. Full applications due in April for the Spring cycle and in October for the Fall.

**Match amount:** Does not require a specific percentage match.

**Website:** <https://www.peopleforbikes.org/grant-guidelines>

**Grant Organization:** Walmart

**Grant Name (if applicable):** Local Community Grants

**Description:** Local community grants are awarded through an open application process and provide funding directly from Walmart and Sam's Club facilities to local organizations in the U.S.

**What they fund:** Open; Management at the facility to which you are applying will review the application and make initial funding recommendations on all submitted requests.

**Funds available:** Grants range from a minimum of \$250 to a maximum of \$5,000.

**Grant Cycle:** February 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021

**Match amount:** Does not require a specific percentage match.

**Website:** <https://walmart.org/how-we-give/local-community-grants>

**Grant Organization:** Waste Management

**Grant Name (if applicable):** Local Charitable Contribution

**Description:** Through our Charitable Giving efforts, we support 501(c)(3) or public organizations where donations will be used exclusively for public purposes. We typically do not financially support operating costs, capital campaign, multi-year requests, individuals or foundations.

**What they fund:** Three areas of giving include environmental conservation, environmental education, and community vitality.

**Funds available:** Unknown

**Grant Cycle:** Applications are accepted year-round and are reviewed on a continuous basis.

**Match amount:** Does not require a specific percentage match.

**Website:** <https://www.wm.com/us/en/inside-wm/social-impact/community-impact>

# 11. Appendices



Magnolia Street Park

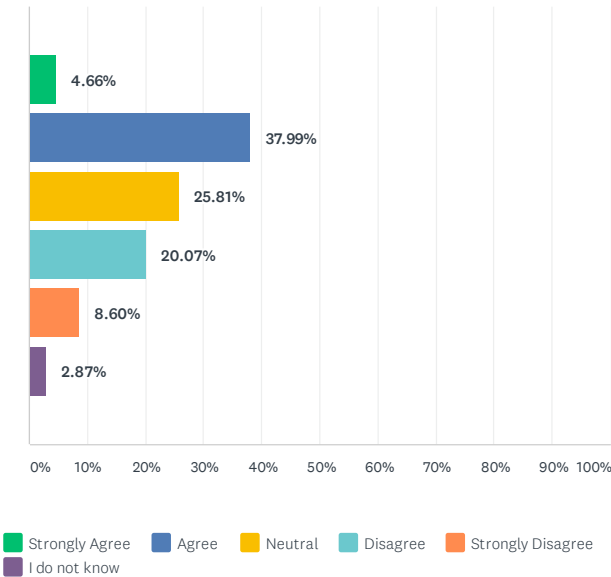


# YORK STRATEGIC PLAN PROJECT SURVEY RESULTS

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Q1 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement. The services provided by the City of York meet the needs of residents and support our neighborhoods.

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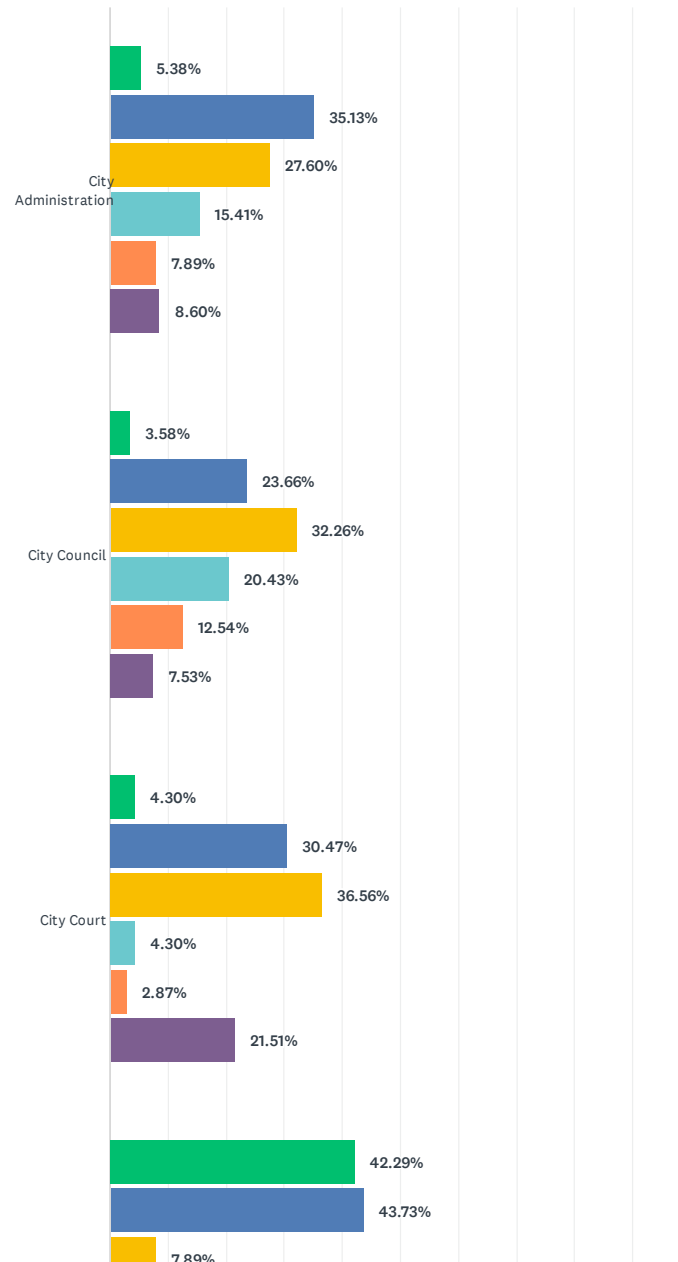


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(no label)	4.66% 13	37.99% 106	25.81% 72	20.07% 56	8.60% 24	2.87% 8	279	2.99

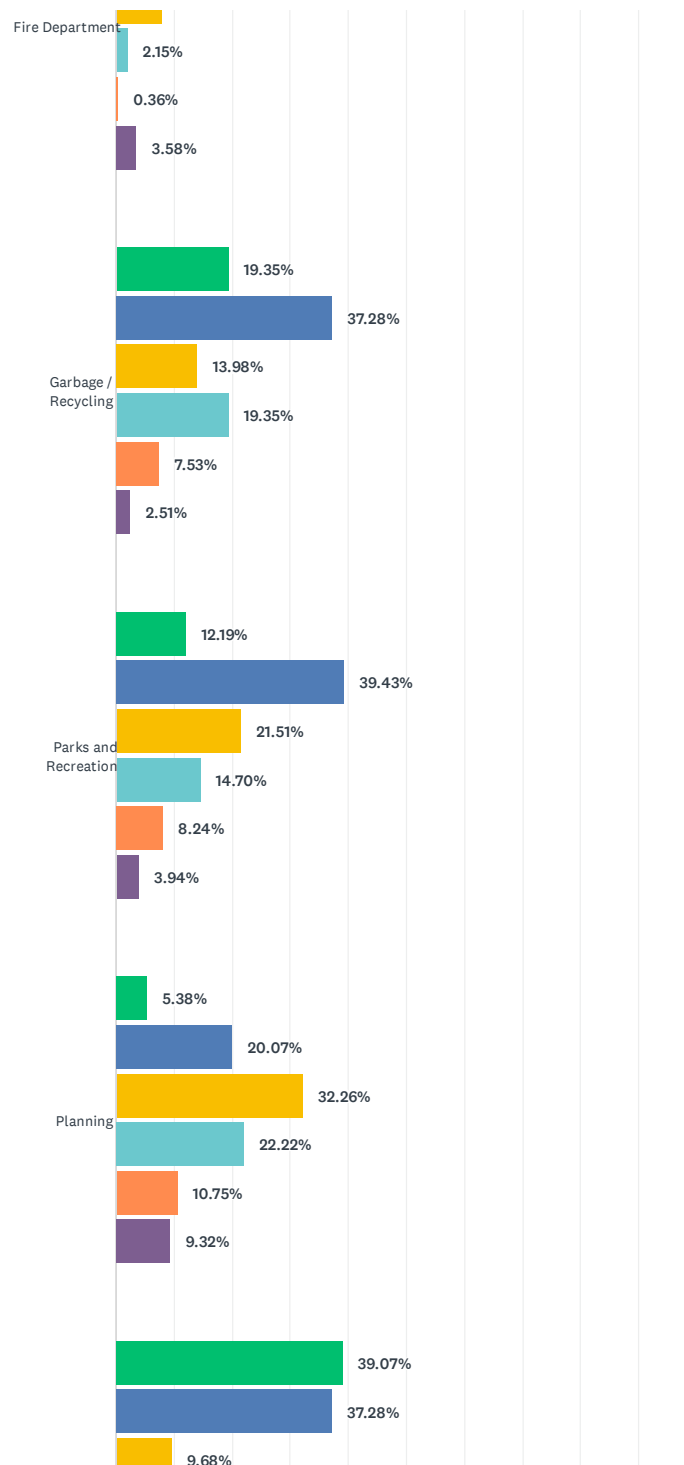
## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

Q2 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement.  
The following City departments effectively serve and meet the needs of residents in the City of York.

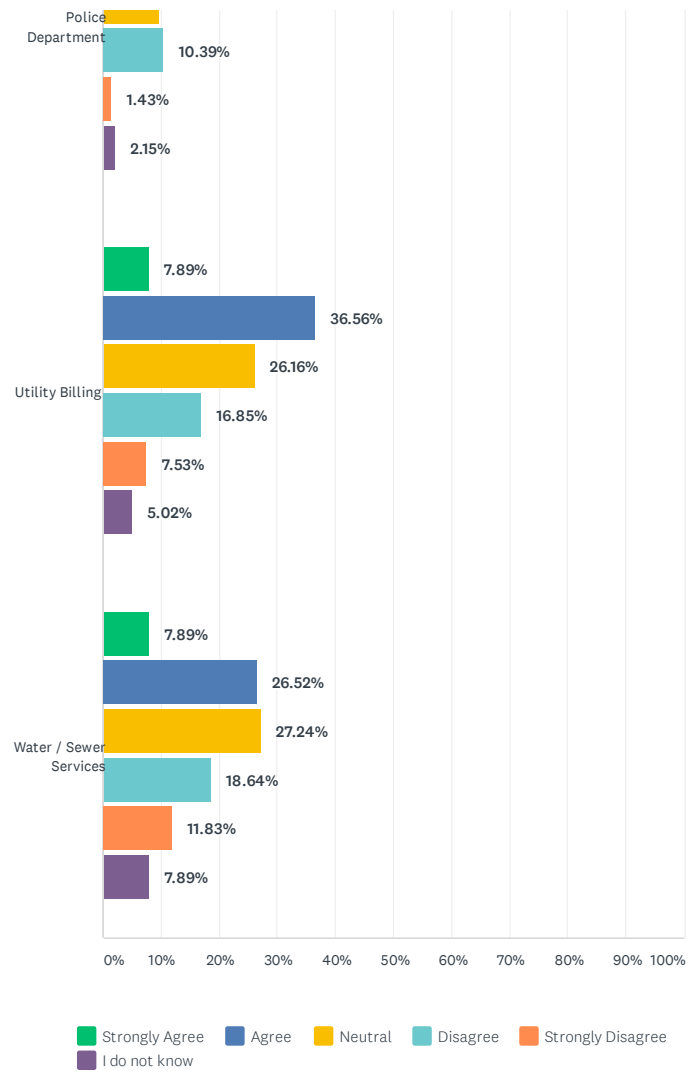
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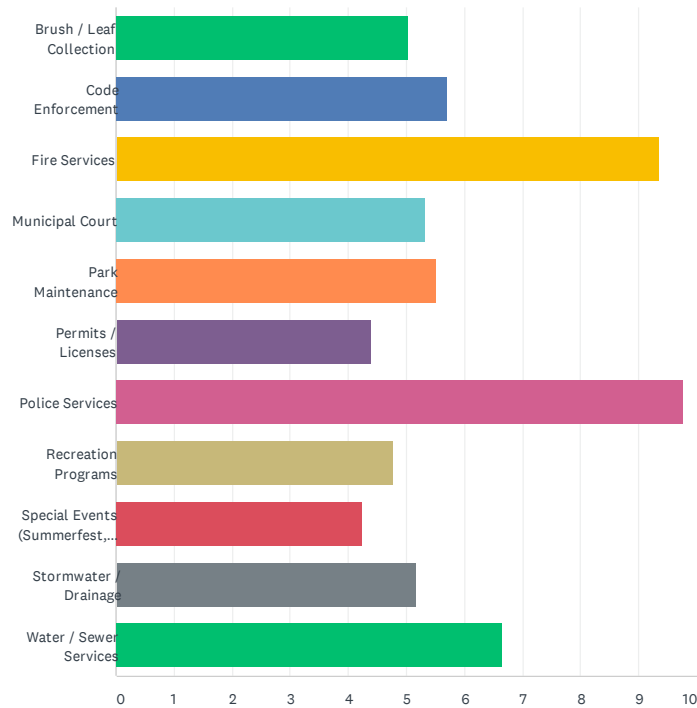
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	I DO NOT KNOW	TOTAL
City Administration	5.38% 15	35.13% 98	27.60% 77	15.41% 43	7.89% 22	8.60% 24	279
City Council	3.58% 10	23.66% 66	32.26% 90	20.43% 57	12.54% 35	7.53% 21	279
City Court	4.30% 12	30.47% 85	36.56% 102	4.30% 12	2.87% 8	21.51% 60	279
Fire Department	42.29% 118	43.73% 122	7.89% 22	2.15% 6	0.36% 1	3.58% 10	279
Garbage / Recycling	19.35% 54	37.28% 104	13.98% 39	19.35% 54	7.53% 21	2.51% 7	279
Parks and Recreation	12.19% 34	39.43% 110	21.51% 60	14.70% 41	8.24% 23	3.94% 11	279
Planning	5.38% 15	20.07% 56	32.26% 90	22.22% 62	10.75% 30	9.32% 26	279
Police Department	39.07% 109	37.28% 104	9.68% 27	10.39% 29	1.43% 4	2.15% 6	279
Utility Billing	7.89% 22	36.56% 102	26.16% 73	16.85% 47	7.53% 21	5.02% 14	279
Water / Sewer Services	7.89% 22	26.52% 74	27.24% 76	18.64% 52	11.83% 33	7.89% 22	279

## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

Q3 Please rank the following services in their order of importance with 1 being the most important and 10 being the least important to you.

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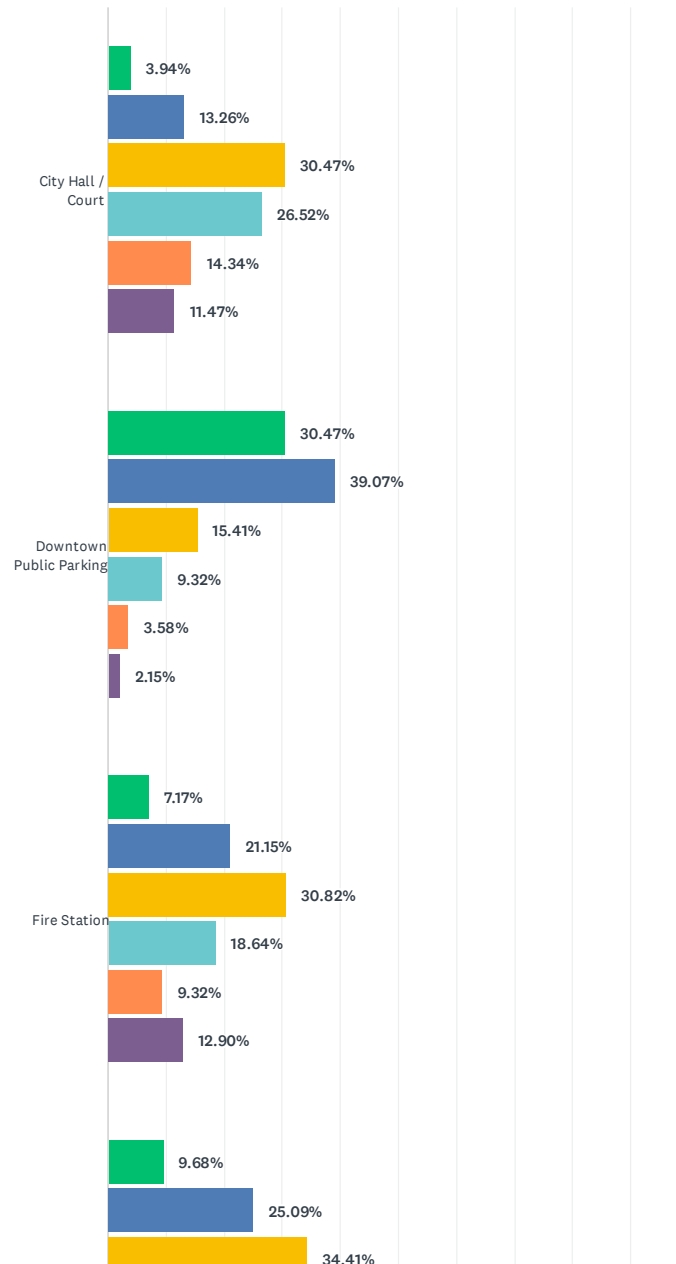
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	TOTAL
Brush / Leaf Collection	2.87% 8	3.58% 10	5.73% 16	9.68% 27	12.19% 34	10.39% 29	10.39% 29	11.47% 32	10.04% 28	8.96% 25	14.70% 41	279
Code Enforcement	6.45% 18	5.38% 15	8.96% 25	10.04% 28	10.39% 29	11.47% 32	9.68% 27	11.47% 32	8.60% 24	6.09% 17	11.47% 32	279
Fire Services	13.98% 39	56.63% 158	11.11% 31	7.17% 20	2.15% 6	4.30% 12	1.79% 5	1.08% 3	1.08% 3	0.00% 0	0.72% 2	279
Municipal Court	1.79% 5	1.43% 4	10.75% 30	10.04% 28	12.19% 34	11.11% 31	12.54% 35	13.62% 38	9.32% 26	8.24% 23	8.96% 25	279
Park Maintenance	1.43% 4	1.43% 4	8.60% 24	10.04% 28	15.05% 42	13.26% 37	13.98% 39	14.70% 41	11.47% 32	6.09% 17	3.94% 11	279
Permits / Licenses	1.08% 3	1.08% 3	2.51% 7	5.73% 16	9.68% 27	12.19% 34	13.62% 38	12.54% 35	16.49% 46	14.70% 41	10.39% 29	279
Police Services	57.35% 160	19.35% 54	8.60% 24	3.58% 10	1.08% 3	1.43% 4	3.58% 10	1.79% 5	0.36% 1	1.79% 5	1.08% 3	279
Recreation Programs	2.51% 7	1.43% 4	5.73% 16	8.96% 25	8.60% 24	9.32% 26	11.83% 33	15.05% 42	11.83% 33	17.20% 48	7.53% 21	279
Special Events (Summerfest, Christmas Parade, etc.)	2.51% 7	2.51% 7	5.38% 15	6.09% 17	7.89% 22	10.04% 28	8.24% 23	6.09% 17	15.05% 42	13.26% 37	22.94% 64	279
Stormwater / Drainage	0.72% 2	2.15% 6	7.17% 20	13.98% 39	13.62% 38	9.68% 27	9.32% 26	10.04% 28	10.04% 28	17.20% 48	6.09% 17	279
Water / Sewer Services	9.32% 26	5.02% 14	25.45% 71	14.70% 41	7.17% 20	6.81% 19	5.02% 14	2.15% 6	5.73% 16	6.45% 18	12.19% 34	279

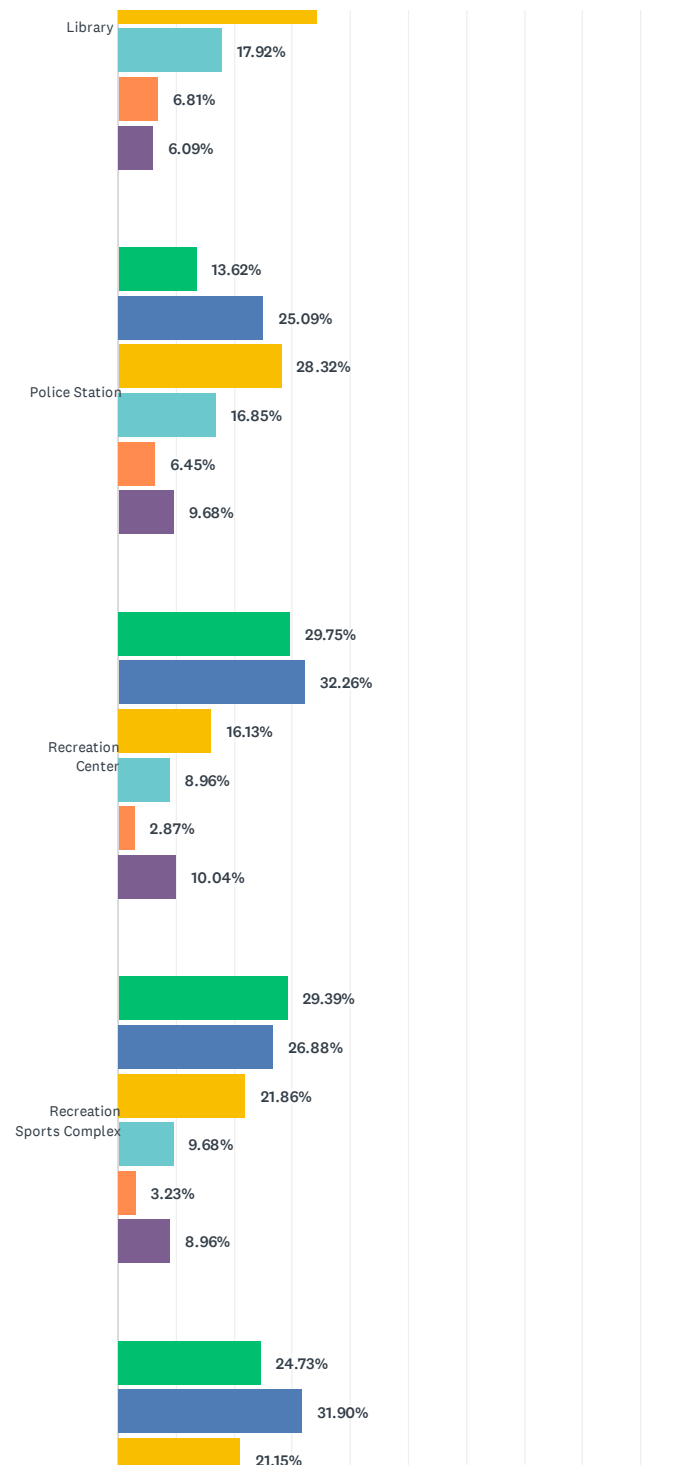
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Q4 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement. The following facilities are in need of some improvements and/or for consideration as new amenities for the City of York.

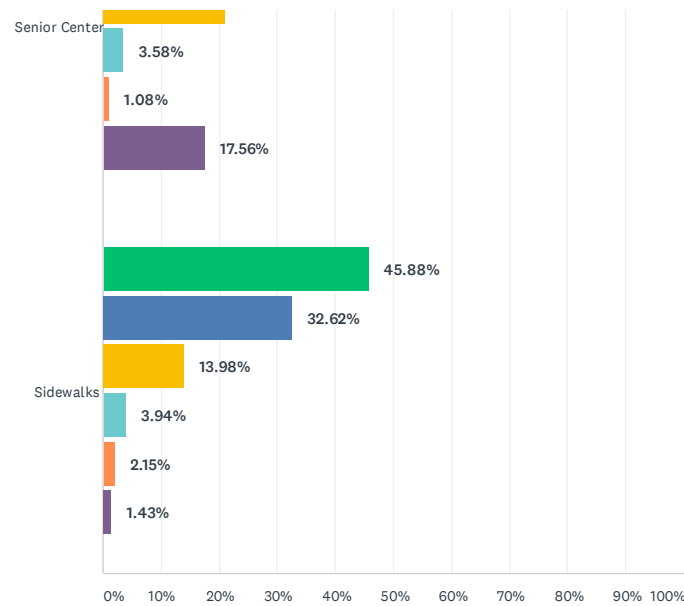
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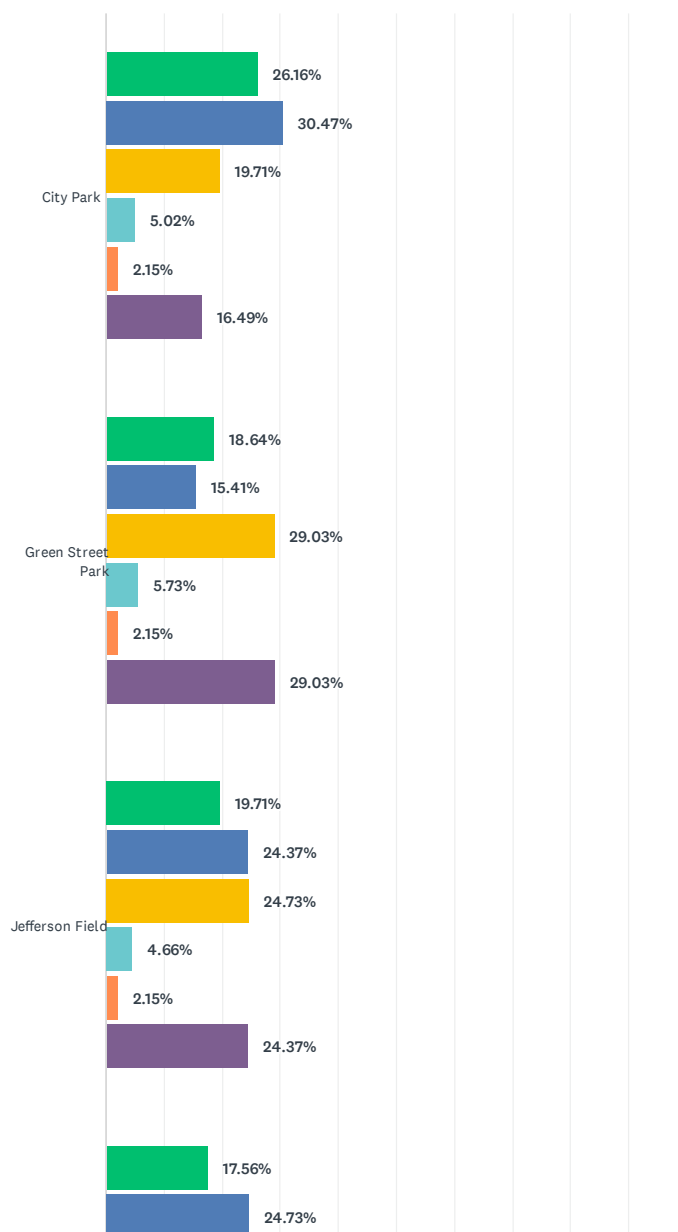
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 ■ Agree
 ■ Neutral
 ■ Disagree
 ■ Strongly Disagree
 ■ I do not know

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	I DO NOT KNOW	TOTAL
City Hall / Court	3.94% 11	13.26% 37	30.47% 85	26.52% 74	14.34% 40	11.47% 32	279
Downtown Public Parking	30.47% 85	39.07% 109	15.41% 43	9.32% 26	3.58% 10	2.15% 6	279
Fire Station	7.17% 20	21.15% 59	30.82% 86	18.64% 52	9.32% 26	12.90% 36	279
Library	9.68% 27	25.09% 70	34.41% 96	17.92% 50	6.81% 19	6.09% 17	279
Police Station	13.62% 38	25.09% 70	28.32% 79	16.85% 47	6.45% 18	9.68% 27	279
Recreation Center	29.75% 83	32.26% 90	16.13% 45	8.96% 25	2.87% 8	10.04% 28	279
Recreation Sports Complex	29.39% 82	26.88% 75	21.86% 61	9.68% 27	3.23% 9	8.96% 25	279
Senior Center	24.73% 69	31.90% 89	21.15% 59	3.58% 10	1.08% 3	17.56% 49	279
Sidewalks	45.88% 128	32.62% 91	13.98% 39	3.94% 11	2.15% 6	1.43% 4	279

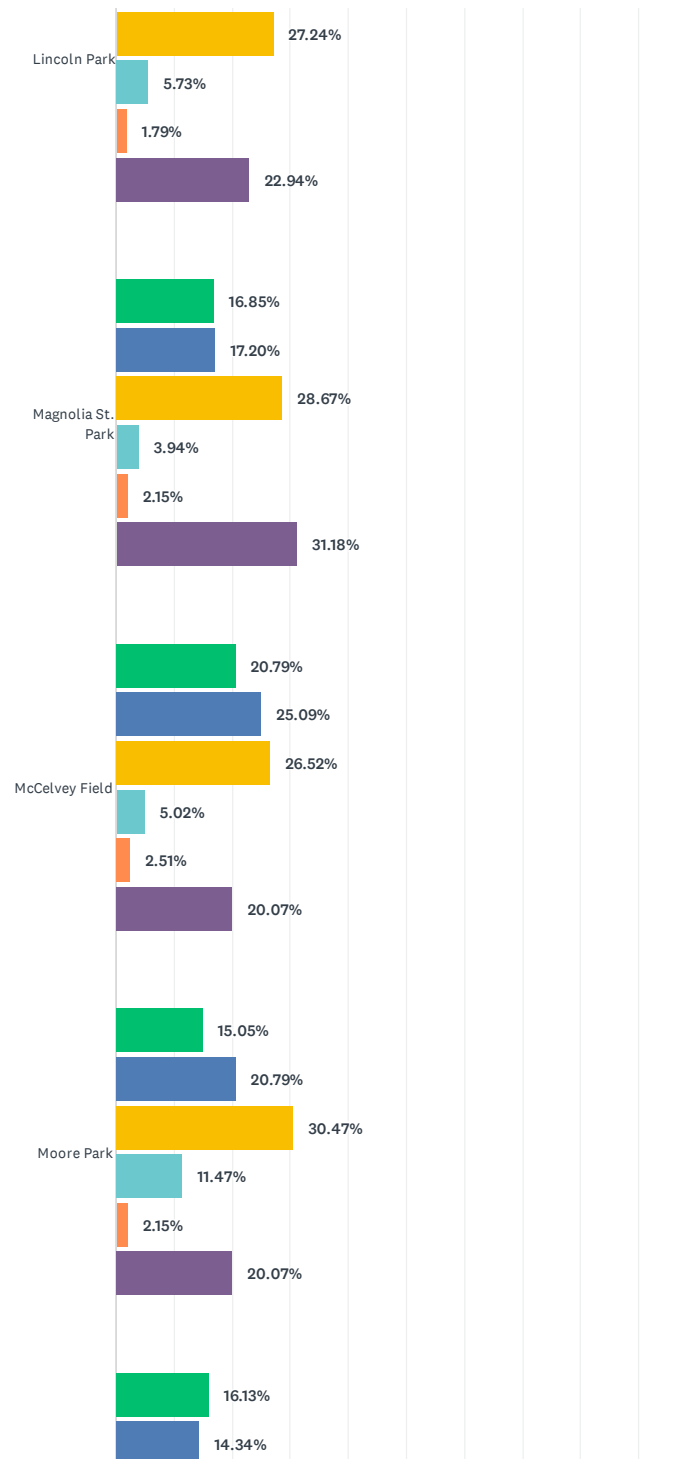
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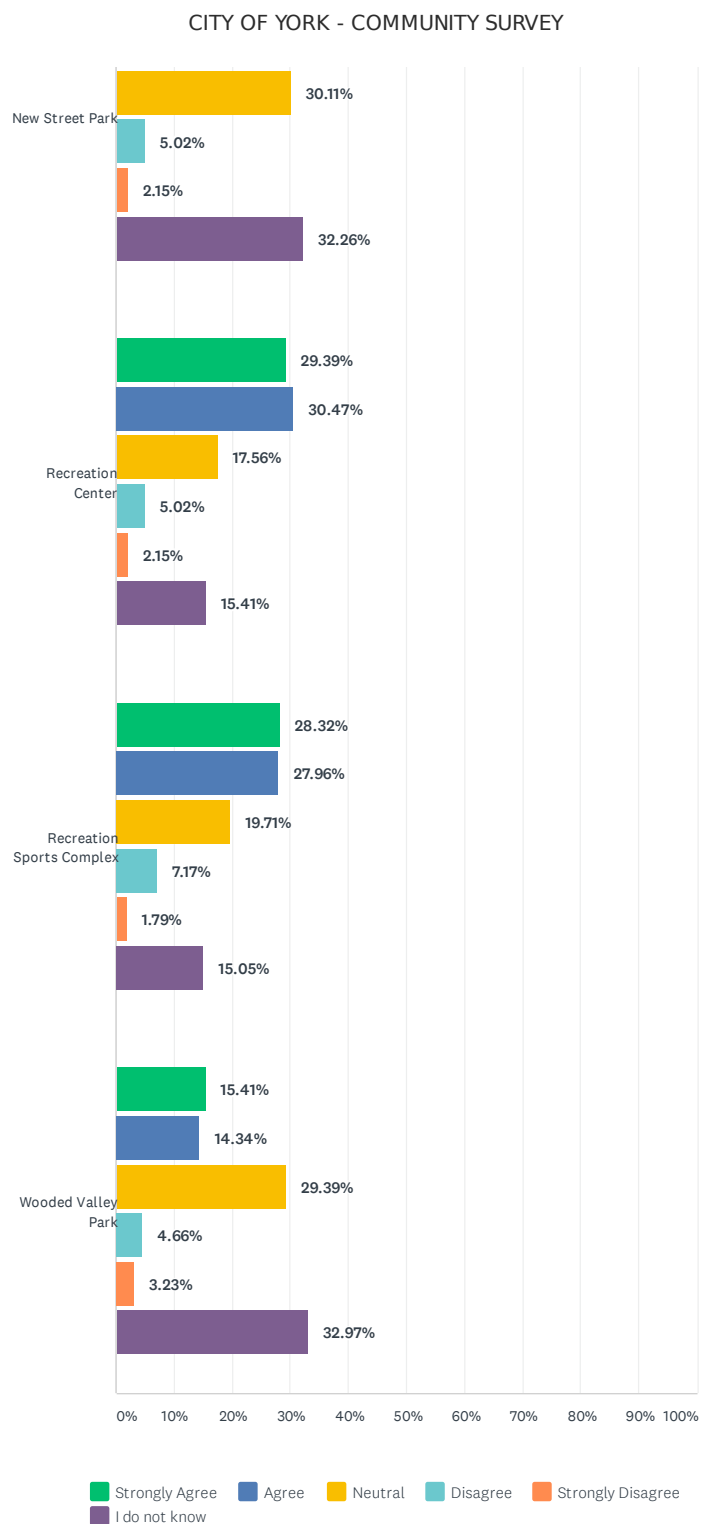
**Q5 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement. The following recreation facilities are in need of some improvements and/or for consideration as new amenities for the City of York.**

Answered: 279 Skipped: 0



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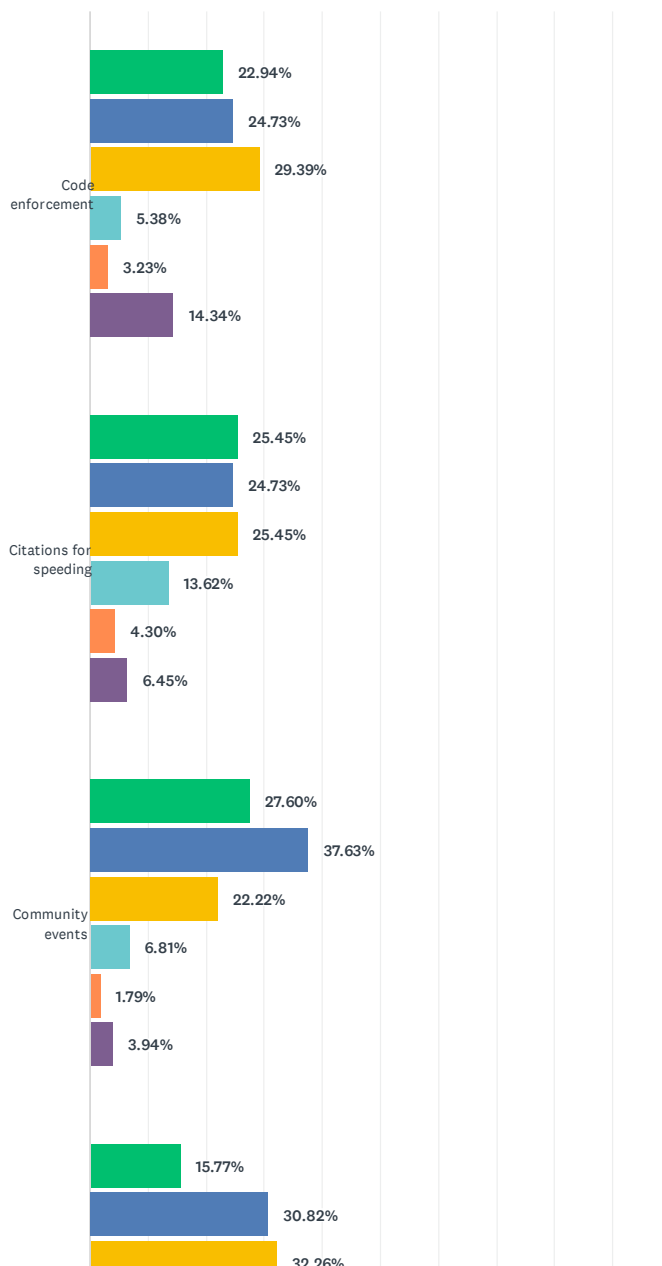
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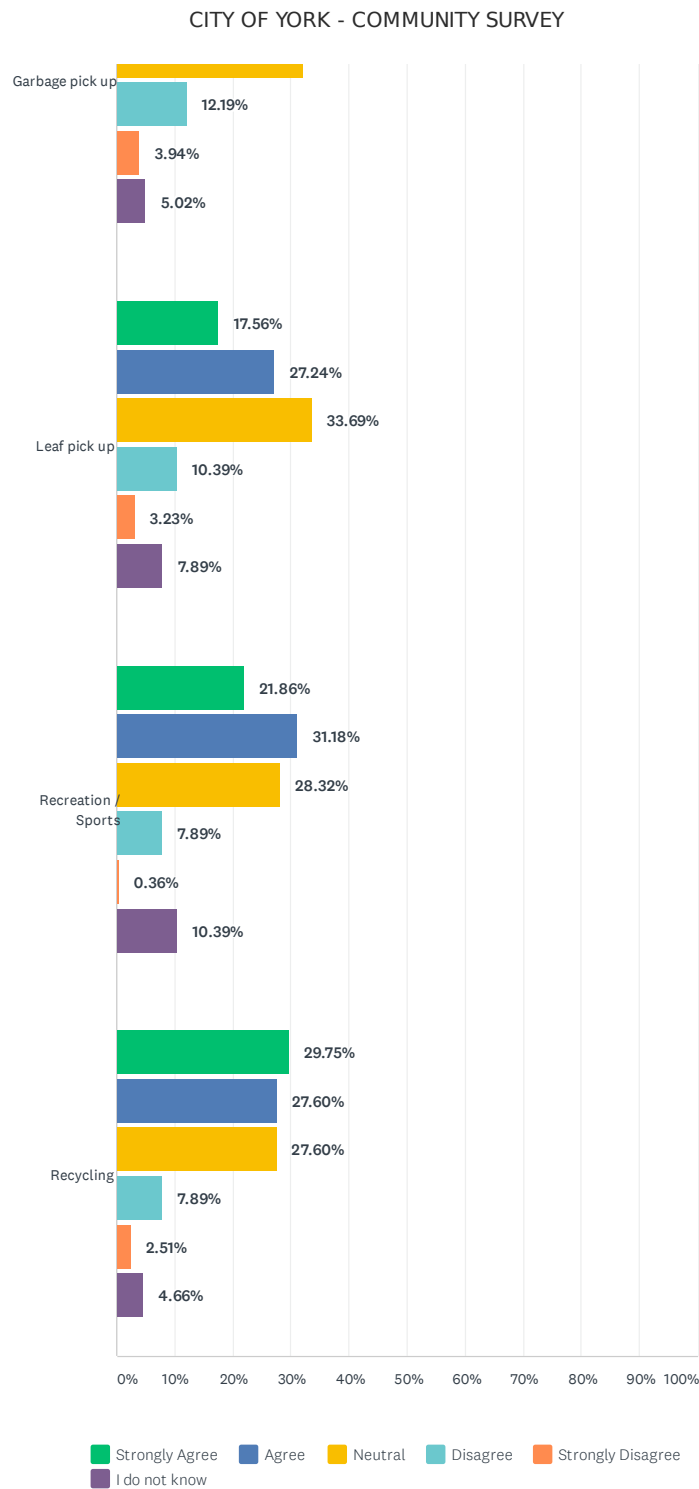
	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	I DO NOT KNOW	TOTAL
City Park	26.16% 73	30.47% 85	19.71% 55	5.02% 14	2.15% 6	16.49% 46	279
Green Street Park	18.64% 52	15.41% 43	29.03% 81	5.73% 16	2.15% 6	29.03% 81	279
Jefferson Field	19.71% 55	24.37% 68	24.73% 69	4.66% 13	2.15% 6	24.37% 68	279
Lincoln Park	17.56% 49	24.73% 69	27.24% 76	5.73% 16	1.79% 5	22.94% 64	279
Magnolia St. Park	16.85% 47	17.20% 48	28.67% 80	3.94% 11	2.15% 6	31.18% 87	279
McCelvey Field	20.79% 58	25.09% 70	26.52% 74	5.02% 14	2.51% 7	20.07% 56	279
Moore Park	15.05% 42	20.79% 58	30.47% 85	11.47% 32	2.15% 6	20.07% 56	279
New Street Park	16.13% 45	14.34% 40	30.11% 84	5.02% 14	2.15% 6	32.26% 90	279
Recreation Center	29.39% 82	30.47% 85	17.56% 49	5.02% 14	2.15% 6	15.41% 43	279
Recreation Sports Complex	28.32% 79	27.96% 78	19.71% 55	7.17% 20	1.79% 5	15.05% 42	279
Wooded Valley Park	15.41% 43	14.34% 40	29.39% 82	4.66% 13	3.23% 9	32.97% 92	279

CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

Q6 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement. The following programs are in need of some improvements to better serve residents.

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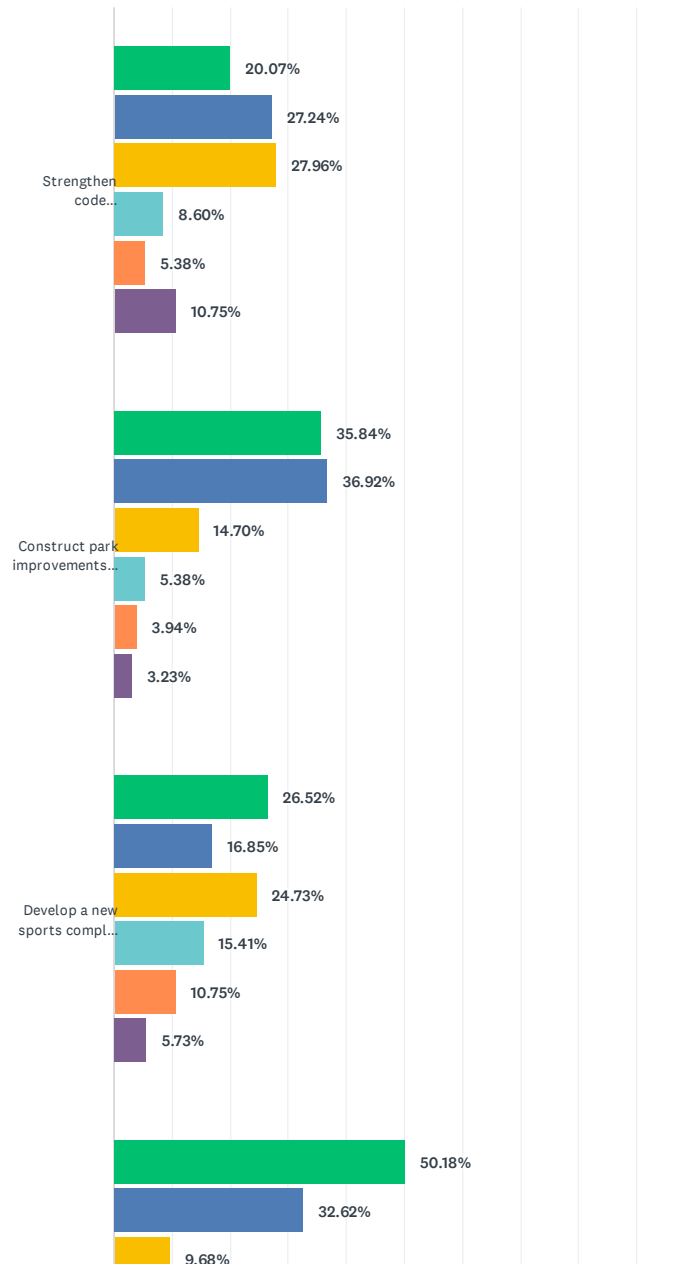
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	I DO NOT KNOW	TOTAL
Code enforcement	22.94% 64	24.73% 69	29.39% 82	5.38% 15	3.23% 9	14.34% 40	279
Citations for speeding	25.45% 71	24.73% 69	25.45% 71	13.62% 38	4.30% 12	6.45% 18	279
Community events	27.60% 77	37.63% 105	22.22% 62	6.81% 19	1.79% 5	3.94% 11	279
Garbage pick up	15.77% 44	30.82% 86	32.26% 90	12.19% 34	3.94% 11	5.02% 14	279
Leaf pick up	17.56% 49	27.24% 76	33.69% 94	10.39% 29	3.23% 9	7.89% 22	279
Recreation / Sports	21.86% 61	31.18% 87	28.32% 79	7.89% 22	0.36% 1	10.39% 29	279
Recycling	29.75% 83	27.60% 77	27.60% 77	7.89% 22	2.51% 7	4.66% 13	279

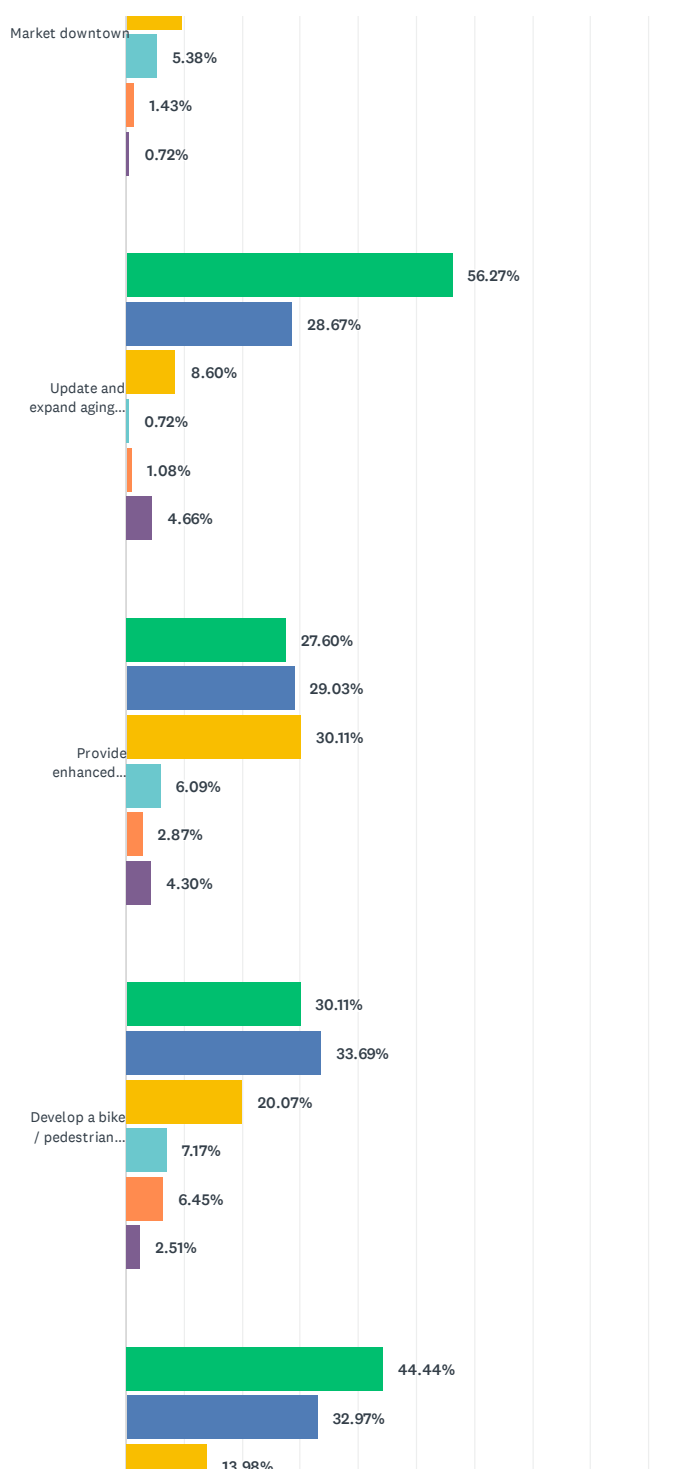
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Q7 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement.  
The following are programs or goals that the City of York should try to achieve in the next three to five years.

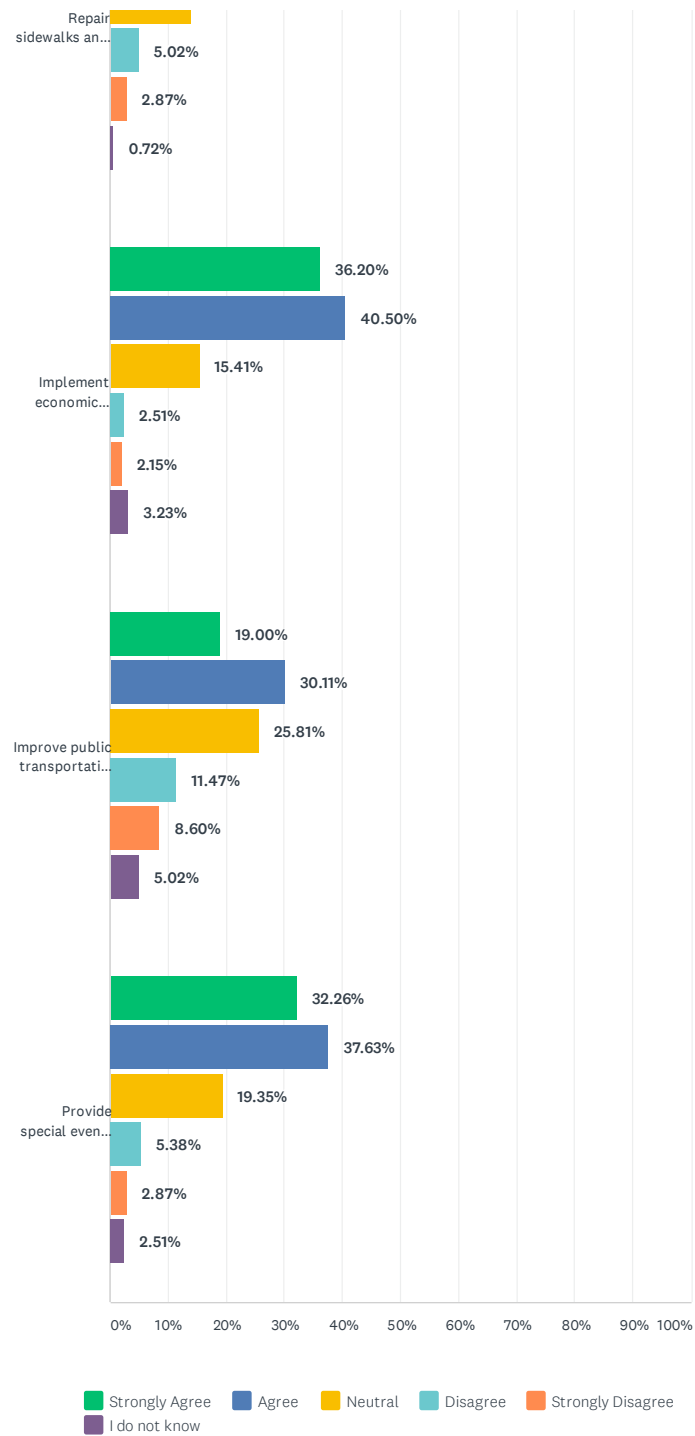
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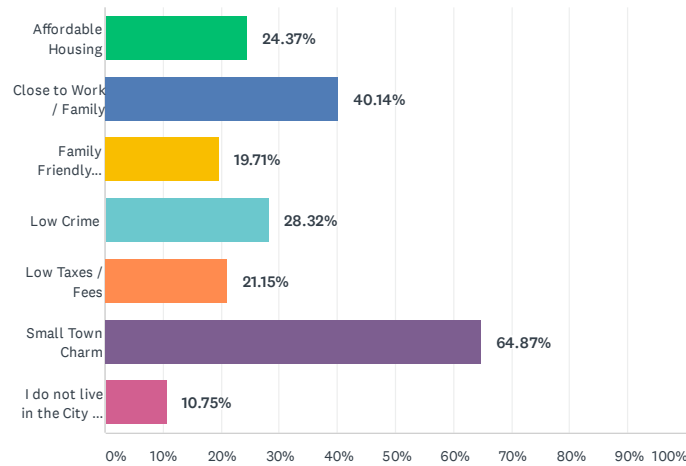
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	I DO NOT KNOW	TOTAL
Strengthen code enforcement	20.07% 56	27.24% 76	27.96% 78	8.60% 24	5.38% 15	10.75% 30	279
Construct park improvements / green space	35.84% 100	36.92% 103	14.70% 41	5.38% 15	3.94% 11	3.23% 9	279
Develop a new sports complex / recreation center	26.52% 74	16.85% 47	24.73% 69	15.41% 43	10.75% 30	5.73% 16	279
Market downtown	50.18% 140	32.62% 91	9.68% 27	5.38% 15	1.43% 4	0.72% 2	279
Update and expand aging water and sewer infrastructure	56.27% 157	28.67% 80	8.60% 24	0.72% 2	1.08% 3	4.66% 13	279
Provide enhanced recreation programs	27.60% 77	29.03% 81	30.11% 84	6.09% 17	2.87% 8	4.30% 12	279
Develop a bike / pedestrian plan	30.11% 84	33.69% 94	20.07% 56	7.17% 20	6.45% 18	2.51% 7	279
Repair sidewalks and construct new pedestrian and bike infrastructure	44.44% 124	32.97% 92	13.98% 39	5.02% 14	2.87% 8	0.72% 2	279
Implement economic development programs	36.20% 101	40.50% 113	15.41% 43	2.51% 7	2.15% 6	3.23% 9	279
Improve public transportation services	19.00% 53	30.11% 84	25.81% 72	11.47% 32	8.60% 24	5.02% 14	279
Provide special events / downtown events	32.26% 90	37.63% 105	19.35% 54	5.38% 15	2.87% 8	2.51% 7	279

## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

### Q8 I live in the City of York because... [check all that apply]

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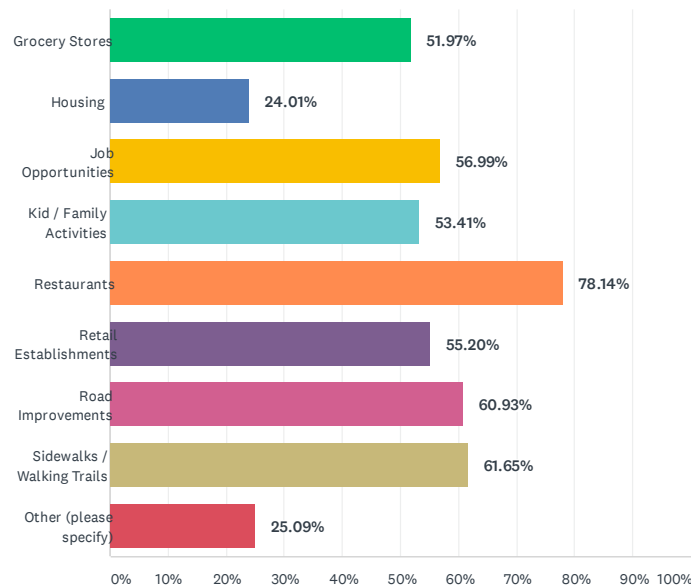


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Affordable Housing	24.37%	68
Close to Work / Family	40.14%	112
Family Friendly Amenities	19.71%	55
Low Crime	28.32%	79
Low Taxes / Fees	21.15%	59
Small Town Charm	64.87%	181
I do not live in the City of York	10.75%	30
Total Respondents: 279		

## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

## Q9 The City of York needs... [check all that apply]

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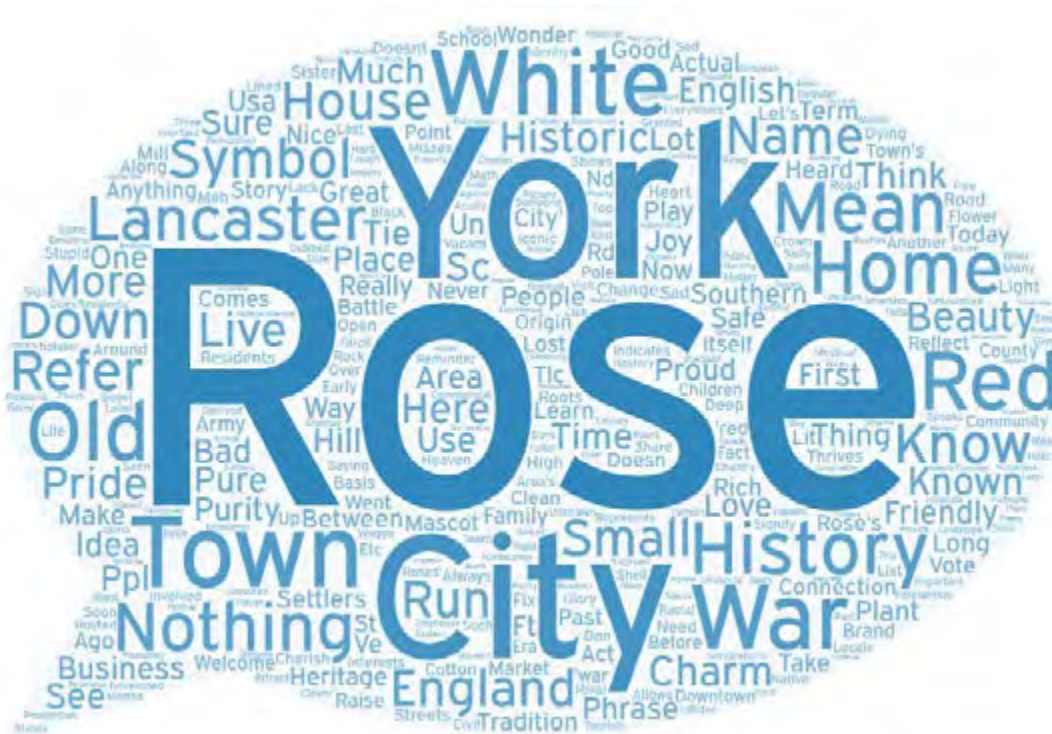


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Grocery Stores	51.97%	145
Housing	24.01%	67
Job Opportunities	56.99%	159
Kid / Family Activities	53.41%	149
Restaurants	78.14%	218
Retail Establishments	55.20%	154
Road Improvements	60.93%	170
Sidewalks / Walking Trails	61.65%	172
Other (please specify)	25.09%	70
Total Respondents: 279		

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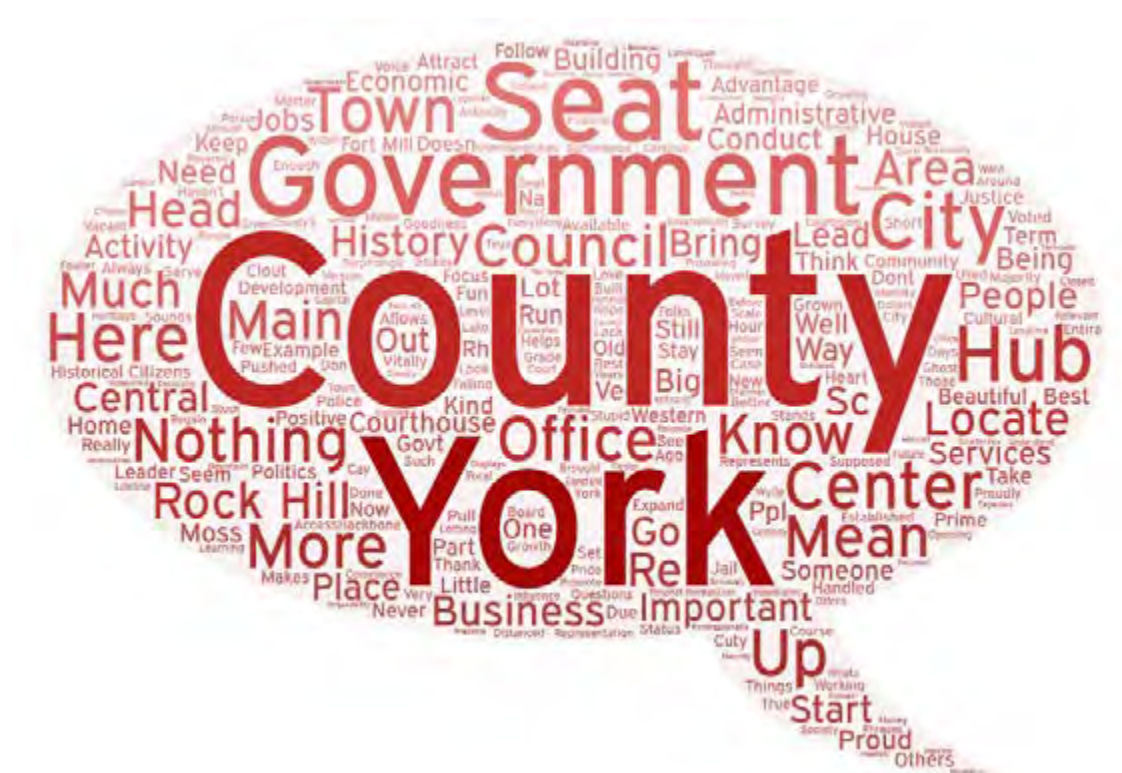
Q10 What does the phrase "White Rose City" mean to you?

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Q11 What does the phrase "York County Seat" mean to you?

Answered: 165    Skipped: 114



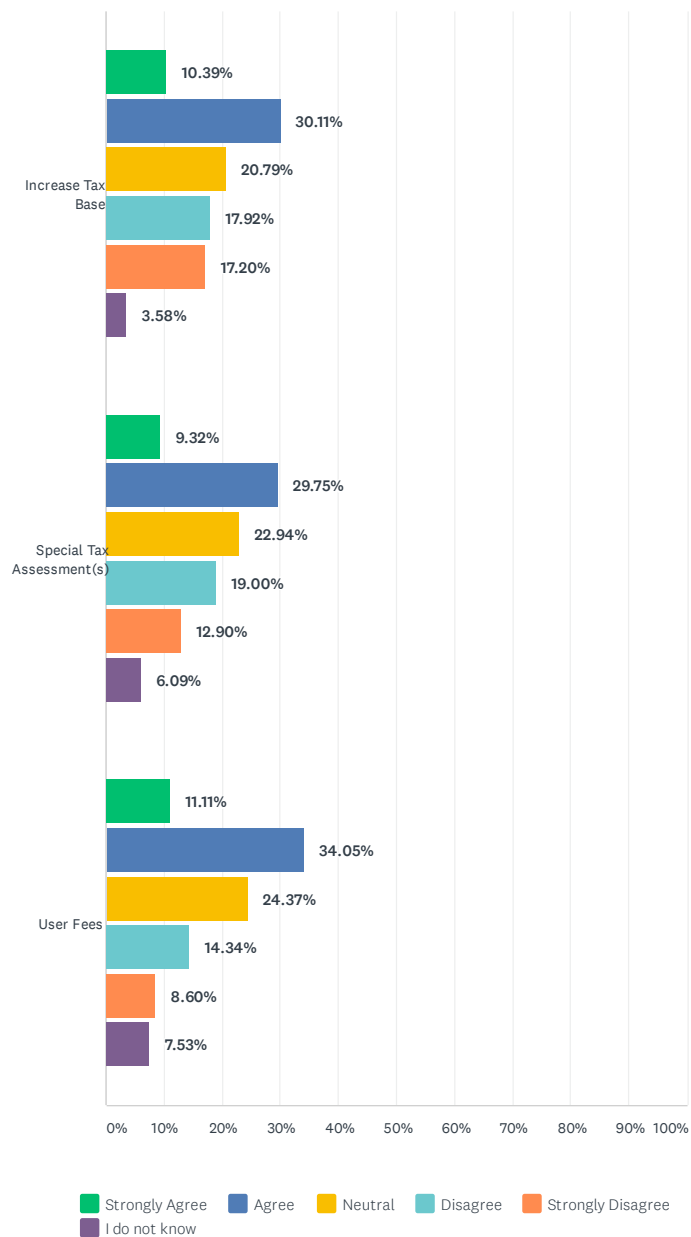
Q12 If you could change one thing about York, what would it be?

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## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

**Q13 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement. I would consider supporting the use of the following options to fund additional programs and/or new services for the City of York.**

Answered: 279 Skipped: 0



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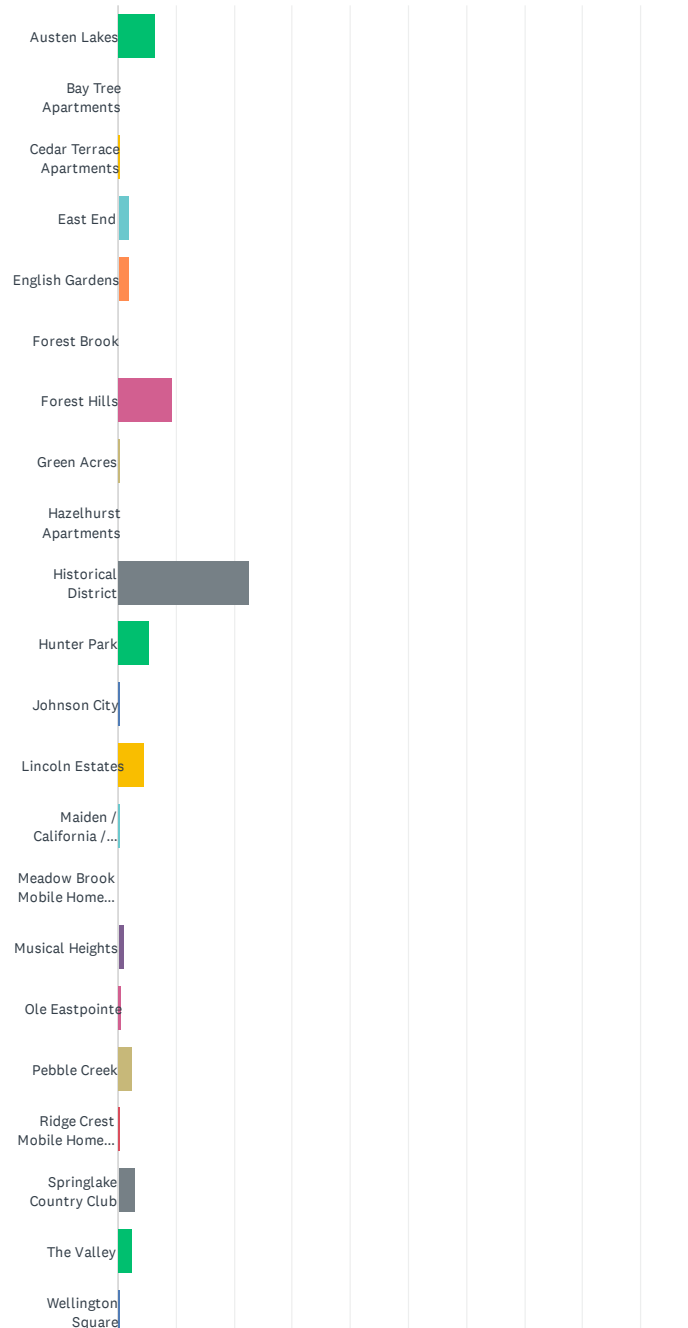
	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	I DO NOT KNOW	TOTAL
Increase Tax Base	10.39% 29	30.11% 84	20.79% 58	17.92% 50	17.20% 48	3.58% 10	279
Special Tax Assessment(s)	9.32% 26	29.75% 83	22.94% 64	19.00% 53	12.90% 36	6.09% 17	279
User Fees	11.11% 31	34.05% 95	24.37% 68	14.34% 40	8.60% 24	7.53% 21	279

Q14 Please share any additional thoughts or ideas on services provided by the City of York.

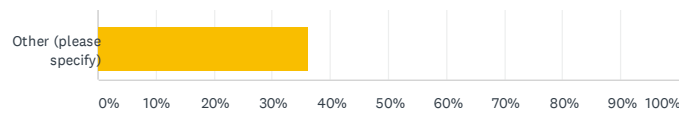
## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

Q15 Please indicate your neighborhood in the City of York.

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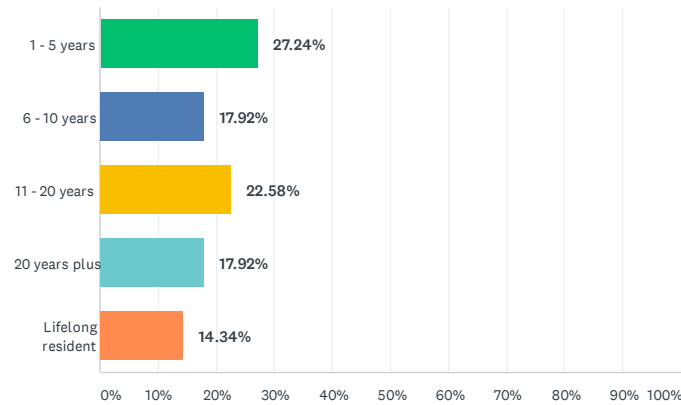


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Austen Lakes	6.45%	18
Bay Tree Apartments	0.00%	0
Cedar Terrace Apartments	0.36%	1
East End	1.79%	5
English Gardens	1.79%	5
Forest Brook	0.00%	0
Forest Hills	9.32%	26
Green Acres	0.36%	1
Hazelhurst Apartments	0.00%	0
Historical District	22.58%	63
Hunter Park	5.38%	15
Johnson City	0.36%	1
Lincoln Estates	4.66%	13
Maiden / California / Pinckney	0.36%	1
Meadow Brook Mobile Home Park	0.00%	0
Musical Heights	1.08%	3
Ole Eastpointe	0.72%	2
Pebble Creek	2.51%	7
Ridge Crest Mobile Home Park	0.36%	1
Springlake Country Club	2.87%	8
The Valley	2.51%	7
Wellington Square	0.36%	1
Other (please specify)	36.20%	101
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>279</b>

## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

### Q16 How long have you lived in the City of York?

Answered: 279 Skipped: 0

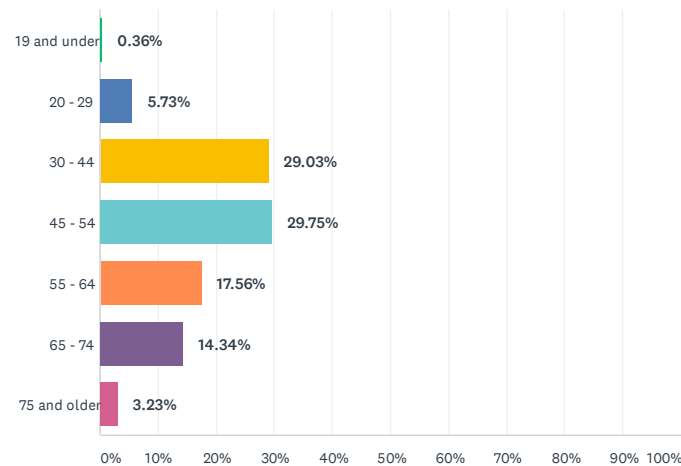


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1 - 5 years	27.24%	76
6 - 10 years	17.92%	50
11 - 20 years	22.58%	63
20 years plus	17.92%	50
Lifelong resident	14.34%	40
TOTAL		279

## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

## Q17 Please select your age category.

Answered: 279 Skipped: 0

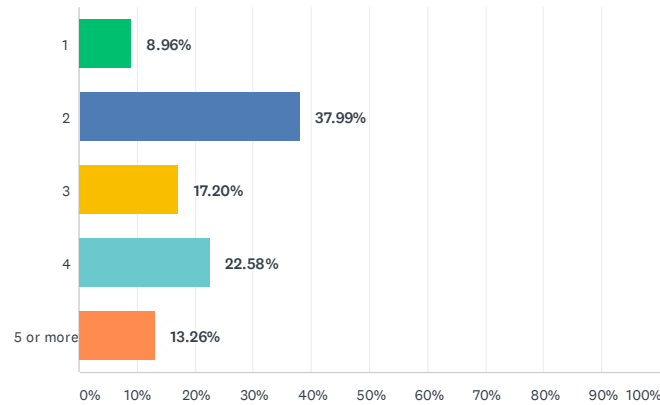


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
19 and under	0.36%	1
20 - 29	5.73%	16
30 - 44	29.03%	81
45 - 54	29.75%	83
55 - 64	17.56%	49
65 - 74	14.34%	40
75 and older	3.23%	9
TOTAL		279

## CITY OF YORK - COMMUNITY SURVEY

### Q18 What is your household size?

Answered: 279 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	8.96%	25
2	37.99%	106
3	17.20%	48
4	22.58%	63
5 or more	13.26%	37
TOTAL		279

## STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

### 1. York Recreation Center

#### Comments

- Closes early - minimal usage after hours.
- Not many activities.
- Difficult for seniors to use.
- Ample parking.
- The Recreation Center indoor lighting is very dim.
- The parking lot for the field is unpaved, so it is a mess with rain.
- There is a hill to get down to access the field.
  - Causes accessibility issues.
- Good location – people can walk to it.
- There is shade by the concession stand, so most people congregate there in hot weather.

#### Recommendations

- The inside of the Center needs to be updated.
- With the parking lot, you have to go up a hill. Not very user friendly for strollers, wheelchairs, young kids. Look at how parking is utilized and located.
- Increased lighting is needed outside – want to be able to use for community events.
- More signage is needed.
- The field is nice but needs some updates.
- The field is huge – could be made into a universal field.
- A walking area around the facility would be good to have.
- It needs a picnic shelter or some kind of shade structure.
- Beyond the hill and concession stand is flat land that could be utilized.

### 2. York Recreation Complex

#### Comments

- Most user friendly park.
- It is well maintained.
- It is used a lot for recreational activities and walking, which is good for the senior population.
- Like the playground by Field 5 because can watch kid play and watch kid playing a game.
- Parking is an issue.
  - When all fields are in use, it is full.
  - When have back to back games, this is consistent every night of the week.

#### PROJECT

York Parks Master Plan

#### DATE

February 18, 2021

#### TIME

9:00am - 10:30am

#### LOCATION

Virtual

#### ATTENDEES

Seth Duncan, City Manager  
 Carolyn Leake, Recreation Director  
 Shirley Moore, Committee Member  
 Jessica Elliott, Committee Member  
 Anna Simpson, The Dodd Studio

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#### Recommendations

- A water feature for the kids would be nice.
  - Discussion that this could be a safety hazard for parents trying to watch a game/practice while also keeping an eye on children in water.
  - Idea based on having something to entertain young children there with parents.
  - The Complex should be primarily focused on sports/recreation.
- Turf fields here would be great because when it rains the fields get flooded and then games are canceled.
- The City is in need of a multi-use field because these fields are used for everything.
- Possibly look into adding a play area in the field complex (Fields 1 -4).
- Bathrooms need to be updated.

#### 3. New Street Park

##### Comments

- Do not consider it a park.
- It is more of a place with a basketball court.
- Water pools in the back, creating a mosquito problem.
- Minimal seating.
- It is accessible.
- Usually just a few guys out there playing.
- Only on-street parking.

##### Recommendations

- Lighting, parking, and a restroom are all needed.
- Is there room to expand?
- Children's playground and an area for kids to ride bikes/scooter would be good.
- A shelter would be good to have.
- Want a family-oriented focus.

#### 4. Green Street Park

##### Comments

- No parking.
- Accessible for walking.

##### Recommendations

- Similar recommendations as with New Street Park - lighting, parking, restroom and shelter.
- Make it family oriented.
- Bathrooms should be at every park at a minimum.

#### 5. Magnolia Street Park

##### Comments

- Embedded in the property.

- No lighting.
- No parking.
- Safety risk with fallen trees.

#### Recommendations

- A picnic shelter would be good to have here.
- Make the basketball court multipurpose with games like hop scotch and four corners.
- Is it possible to add disc golf?

### 6. Moore Park

#### Comments

- No activity space, parking, or restroom.
- Not sure how much it is utilized.
- People walk through and sit.
- Downtown is stepping up its game, so this park plays into that.
- People do pictures there and think it is cute.
- Is power there?

#### Recommendations

- If make the gazebo larger, could do music/events there.

### 7. Wooded Valley

#### Comments

- Negative history with criminal activity.
- Previously a lot of drug activity.
- Deteriorated and unusable.
- Even though accessible, it is not used.
- Outdated.
- No restrooms or lighting.

#### Recommendations

- It could be a great space for children and adults.
- Needs to be made safe.
- Improved lighting, activities for children, restroom, real swing, and benches would be good to have.
- Fences, security cameras, and locks could help with safety.
- Have specific designated times of use.
- Want it to be a place for young moms and elderly.
- A playground would be good to have.
- A concrete multi-use court would be good to have.
- A sprayer/mister for kids could be a fun element to have here.
- If add a bathroom, need to think about how to make it secure.

## 8. Jefferson Field

## Comments

- Centrally located.
- It is a larger space.
- No playground.
- Special permission needed by the City/community for events.
- Swing set but just frame.
- No restroom.
- Citizens at risk with ant hills, uneven pavement, and sink holes.
- There is a history with this facility and a lot of people use it.
- It is gated off but not locked so people get in and mess up the field with their cars/trucks.
- Not a lot of parking.
- The sidewalks do not coincide so if hauling anything on wheels it is impossible.
- A real opportunity for something beautiful.

## Recommendations

- Should have dedicated spaces in the park for picnic and recreation.
- Want it be family oriented.
- Trash cans and benches are needed.
- It could be made into a really lovely space.
- Put a parking lot where basketball court is.
- Needs a playground and picnic shelter.
- Should put pavement inside of the fence for a place to put chairs and also to walk.
- Could also have a dedicated soccer/football field.
- It needs a designated sign and name so people can see that it is a park.
- Needs a bathroom and lighting.
- Does not need to be filled with a lot of stuff – keep some of the open space.

## 9. Lincoln Park

## Comments

- Like this park.
- Cracked and uneven pavement with tennis court.
- It is in a community.
- Good place to go and sit and be quiet.
- Some lighting is there.
- Playground is not appropriate for younger kids.

## Recommendations

- Need to think about all developmental levels with play areas.
- This park should focus on providing access for all ages and abilities.
  - This should be considered for all parks.
- It is flat land, so might have better opportunity to incorporate more features that are inclusive.
- Should target each park to have a different focus.

## 10. City Park

- No comments just excited!

## 11. McCelvey Field

## Comments

- It is used when complex gets overloaded for practices.
- No lighting, no activities available.
- Safety concerns.

## Recommendations

- Needs general updates.
- Needs signage because people forget about it.
- Need to figure out what kind of focus for this park.
- Needs a restroom.

## 12. Trail

## Comments

- Surrounded by trees, so creates safety/security issues.
- It is a nice walking space.
- Know it is at the Complex but otherwise it is not very well marked.

## Recommendations

- Lights could help it feel and be safer.

## Vision Session

- Safety should always be a top priority for short-term and long-term goals with the parks system.
- Need to encourage citizens to take care of facilities for long-term.
- Short Term
  - Should focus on the areas you can get most bang for your buck for the community.
  - Create excitement in the community. From there can slowly increase.
  - Not sure if it is best to start big then do the smaller pieces or do smaller pieces and then do something big – depends on what the community wants.
  - Should focus on completing projects at 100% instead of just trying to get pieces of everything and they all don't function.
  - Could organize committees and build community rapport and ownership of parks.
  - Should focus on providing a great park in a Black/African American community. Jefferson Field would be the best for this.
  - If not Jefferson Field as the focus, should focus on a park that would have the most far reaching impact on kids.

- Short and Long Term
  - Should focus on a park specifically geared towards including all ages and abilities (Lincoln Park is best fit for this). Inclusivity should be integrated into other parks as well.
  - Everyone should feel validated and accepted and they have the ability to get into a park.
  - Physical health and well-being is important especially now due to kids using devices so frequently.
  - Need things for kids to do and to do safely.

## 1. York Recreation Center

## Comments

- The location is good and accessible.
- How much is the building used?
  - Pre-pandemic it hosted basketball, gymnastics, free play (which is popular), reunions, receptions.
- The City has changed a lot since the 1980's when it was built.
- Is the size adequate for usage now?
- Are there better ways to use the building?
- Is an expansion/addition possible?
- Are there activities that the City is not providing right now?
  - The older generation likes to use the gym floor to walk. So, a dedicated indoor walking facility would be good to have.
  - Pickleball is a rising trend in sports/recreation.
  - Exercise programs are heavily requested at the beginning of every year.
  - Kids are looking for something to do after school.

## Recommendations

- The building could use some refreshing.
- It would be nice to separate the gym from the meeting area.
- The Recreation Center could possibly incorporate a computer room and/or after school program for youth.
- With limited resources, the Recreation Center might not be the top priority for funding.

## 2. York Recreation Complex

## Comments

- The pedestrian connectivity to the park is great because can do a long walk.
- It is accessible to a lot of people.
- Facility is nice and did a good job with the layout when built.
- Weekend activities (tournaments) have decreased significantly.
- Adult tournaments used to be a very big deal but they have died down.
- This year the City has secured 7 adult tournaments and 4-6 youth softball tournaments.
- Other municipalities create tough competition for sport and recreation tourism. They have hotels, restaurants, and facilities.
- York needs to get on the map with tourism and hospitality.
- Restrooms are in good shape.

**PROJECT**

York Parks Master Plan

**DATE**

February 18, 2021

**TIME**

12:00pm - 1:30pm

**LOCATION**

Virtual

**ATTENDEES**

Carolyn Leake, Recreation Director  
 Rick Thomasson, Committee Member  
 David Cobb, Committee Member  
 Cynthia Ross Bradford, Committee Member  
 Jenn Ramsey, Committee Member  
 Anna Simpson, The Dodd Studio

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The Dodd Studio

#### Recommendations

- The lighting at the park needs to be repaired and improved.
- Need to address blind spots/dead spots when first come into the park from 4<sup>th</sup> Street creating unsafe conditions.

### 3. Green Street Park

#### Comments

- 40 year old facility.
- A wall was put up to help with mud coming onto the court.
- Not sure how often the rims are replaced.
- Not sure if the grill is even used.
- Irrigation/stormwater is an issue.
- Love the idea of the neighborhood pocket parks as a way to serve the community. It could really be wonderful.
- No lighting and for a long time it did not have nets.
- Outdoor basketball courts are not heavily used like they used to be.
- 40 years ago, the outdoor basketball courts were packed. Now kids do not play outdoor basketball with leagues like AAU and gaming devices/technology.
- Back when the parks were being built, everyone wanted parks in their community.
- Most of the parks are now in terrible shape.
- Many of the parks were funded with LWCF federal grant funding. Back in the 1970s and 1980s it was standard to put an outdoor basketball court in a park.
- Maybe a couple days a year there is a full court of people.
- The height of the goals are not the same.

#### Recommendations

- Need to offer something more enticing to get kids outdoors.
- It would be nice to have one central location for a park that is nice for all kids/youth to use.
- It would need a total renovation.
- The appeal for what park amenities to include in park might differ by neighborhood.
- This park should have play equipment for different age groups, games, picnic tables, and provide a community gathering spot.

### 4. Jefferson Field

#### Comments

- One of the best places/parks.
- There is parking on Spruce Street but parking is an issue.
- Younger kids get kicked out of park by older kids/youth and have no where to play.
- It is an ideal place to put a park.

#### Recommendations

- Would like to have a space to read, talk with friends, gather.
- If going to put money into a park, this would be the one.

- Should add a playground, new basketball court, picnic area, and shelter and fix up the area where the backstop is.
- You could eliminate some of the smaller neighborhood parks and make this into one main park.
  - Not everyone agreed that getting rid of other parks is a good idea.
- A walking trail would be good to have here.
  - Moms can walk while keeping an eye on kids.
- It would be good to have a dedicated parking area. There is not much parking during school hours.

## 5. Wooded Valley Park

### Comments

- Park is in terrible shape. It is an eye sore and torn up.
- Rarely/Never see kids playing out there.
- It needs a lot of work.
- There is mainly a lot of hanging out there.
- People come to the area that do not necessarily live in the neighborhood.
- At one time, there was high crime area near the park.
- It is used as a major cut through.
- City does a great job checking on the park.

### Recommendations

- Lighting and a fence to keep foot traffic out are needed.
- It needs to be secure and people need to feel safe.
- Should close off the backside.
- Needs to be family oriented.
- Play equipment and climbing elements could be good to have.
- If it was renovated, the greenspace would serve the community well.
- It would be unfortunate to lose this greenspace on behalf of the neighborhood.
- Also need to make sure to look beyond kids – adults, youth – for all ages.
- Possibly add a shelter and places to sit, bring family for a picnic.

## 6. New Street Park

### Comments

- Not familiar with the park usage.
- It is in terrible shape.
- There is no parking.
- There is a tendency to park on both sides of the street that is narrow, creating a problem.
- The front two goals are the main ones used.
- There is a water issue on the backside.

#### Recommendations

- It needs major renovations.
- Similar to Green Street Park recommended improvements - elements to get kids outside (play equipment, picnic tables, community gathering spot).
- The California Street Apartments are behind the park. Want to make it a space that kids can come use.

#### 7. McCelvey Field

##### Comments

- There is a major bug problem there.
- Concrete seating.
- Access is limited – there is a fence with a lock.

##### Recommendations

- It is a large area with potential for something.
- You really do not know that it is there. It needs to be better known so people can use it.

#### 8. City Park

##### Comments

- It should open end of March.
- Let people know when it is open.

#### 9. Moore Park

##### Comments

- There is nothing much to it.
- It is used as a walk through and for events like weddings.
- The location restricts what you can do here.
- It is a pretty greenspace to walk or drive by and that has value.
- It is very well kept up.

#### 10. Magnolia Street Park

##### Comments

- No dedicated parking.
- It is a beautiful space.
- It is nice and shady because of the trees.

##### Recommendations

- Could disc golf be incorporated?
- Make it a picnic spot.
- Similar recommendations as Green Street Park to add play equipment for different age groups, games, picnic tables, and provide a community gathering spot.

## 11. Lincoln Park

### Comments

- It has always been a nice park.
- It is a fun place to take children.
- Plenty of parking.

## 12. Trail

### Comments

- Like the trail a lot and use it.
- Good place to ride your bike.
- Littering is a problem.
- Can use it for a longer walk.
- Great to see kids on bikes.
- People are good about keeping dogs on leashes.
- Appreciate the foliage.
- Once you get off the trail at the complex, there is a sign saying that you are not allowed to ride bikes in the Complex.

### Recommendations

- There are dark spots but not sure if want to take away tree cover/shade.
- Would like for it to go further and see more trail.

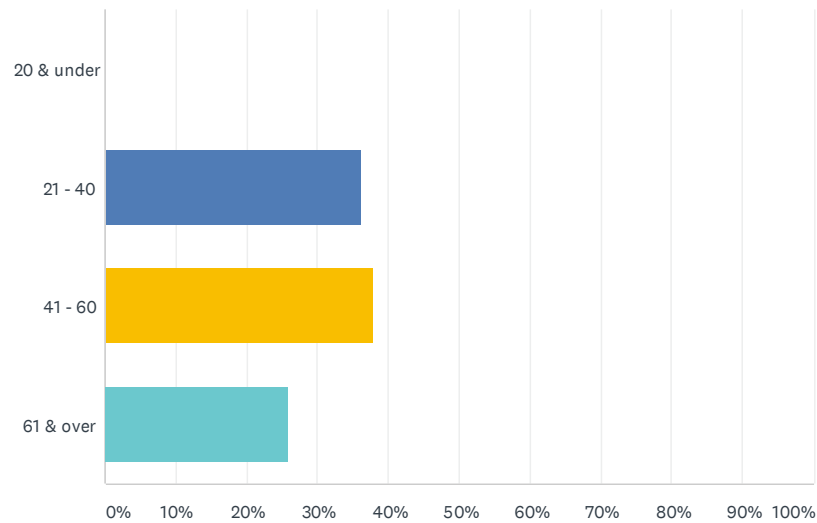
## Vision Session

- Short Term
  - Should really focus on a certain area. Improve the location with the most potential – Jefferson Field.
- Long Term
  - Strategically identify what can be eliminated and what can be improved.
  - City should take a look at building a new Recreation Center that can accommodate multiple activities.
    - The one meeting room is limiting.
    - Weddings, art shows, etc.
    - Have outgrown current Recreation Center.
    - Look at different central location depending on population growth.
  - Need to expand walking trails.
    - Need connectivity among all the parks and neighborhoods.
    - Need to connect our community better.

# CITY OF YORK PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY #1 RESULTS

## Q1 What is your age?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0

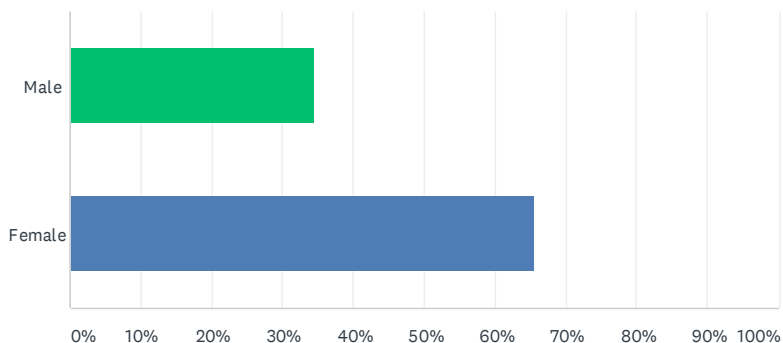


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
20 & under	0.00%	0
21 - 40	36.21%	42
41 - 60	37.93%	44
61 & over	25.86%	30
TOTAL		116

**Q1 Comments:** While there were no respondents under the age of 20, the number of respondents were evenly distributed among the adult age categories and reflects respondents motivated to respond to a park survey. This answer mirrors the City of York's age demographic profile, which also has an evenly distributed adult age segments.

## Q2 What is your gender?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0

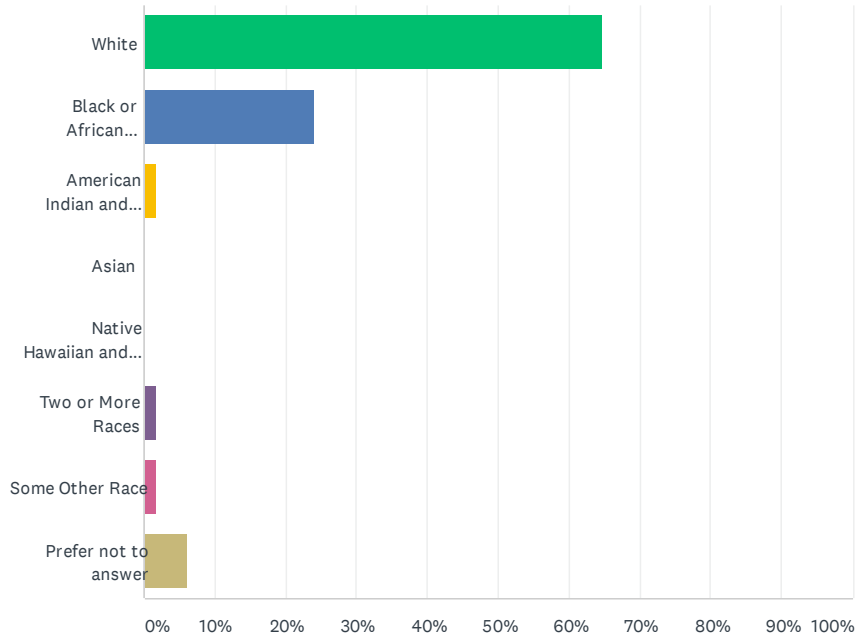


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	34.48%	40
Female	65.52%	76
TOTAL		116

**Q2 Comments:** Two thirds of the respondents were female (66%). A higher number of female responses is typical with household surveys as the female tends to manage the household and take responsibility for answering the survey questions.

### Q3 Please select your race:

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0

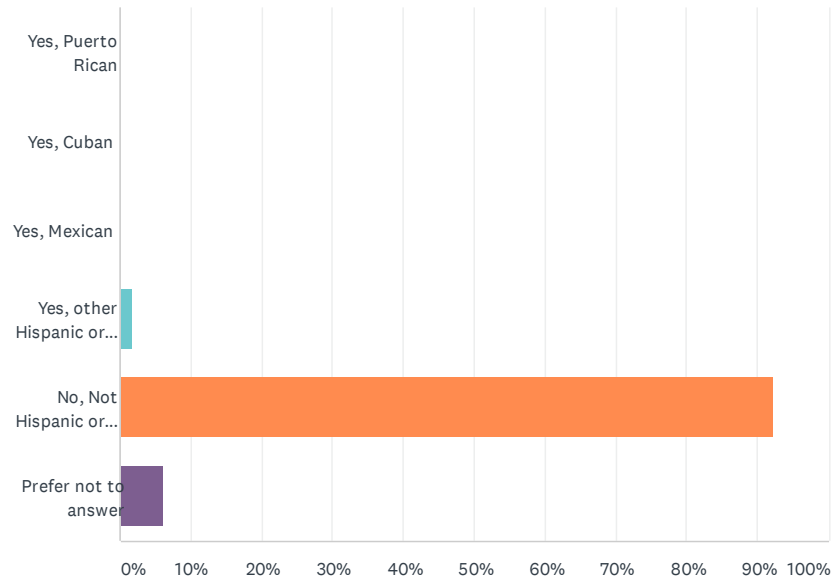


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White	64.66%	75
Black or African American	24.14%	28
American Indian and Alaska Native	1.72%	2
Asian	0.00%	0
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.00%	0
Two or More Races	1.72%	2
Some Other Race	1.72%	2
Prefer not to answer	6.03%	7
TOTAL		116

**Q3 Comments:** This answer mirrors the City of York’s race demographic profile with nearly two thirds of the respondents White (65%) and nearly one quarter of the respondents Black or African American (24%).

### Q4 Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0

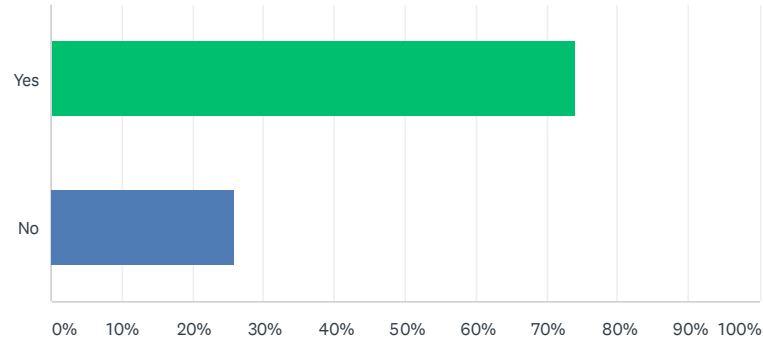


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, Puerto Rican	0.00%	0
Yes, Cuban	0.00%	0
Yes, Mexican	0.00%	0
Yes, other Hispanic or Latino origin	1.72%	2
No, Not Hispanic or Latino	92.24%	107
Prefer not to answer	6.03%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>116</b>

**Q4 Comments:** This answer mirrors the City of York’s demographic profile with most survey respondents not being of Hispanic or Latino origin or decent (92%).

## Q5 Do you currently reside in the City of York?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0



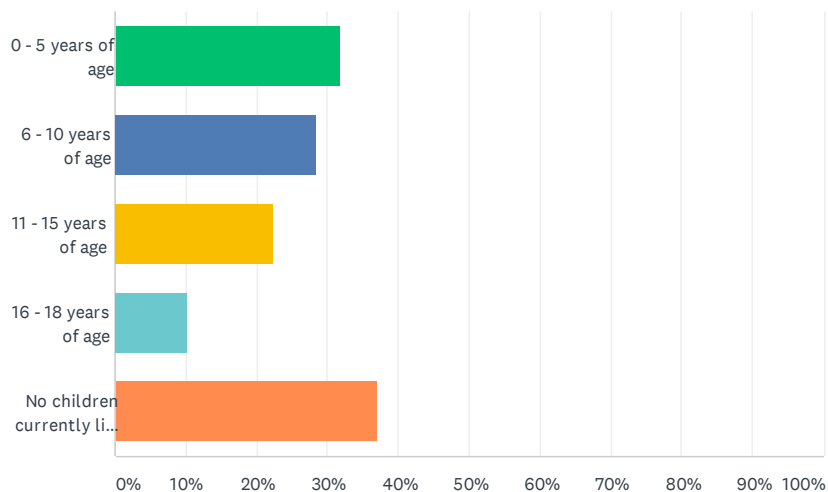
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	74.14%	86
No	25.86%	30
TOTAL		116

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**Q5 Comments:** Nearly three quarters of the respondents currently reside in the City of York (74%). Of the respondents that reside outside of the City limits, a majority live in the greater York planning area with the zip code of 29745.

### Q6 What are the ages of children in your household? (check all that apply)

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0

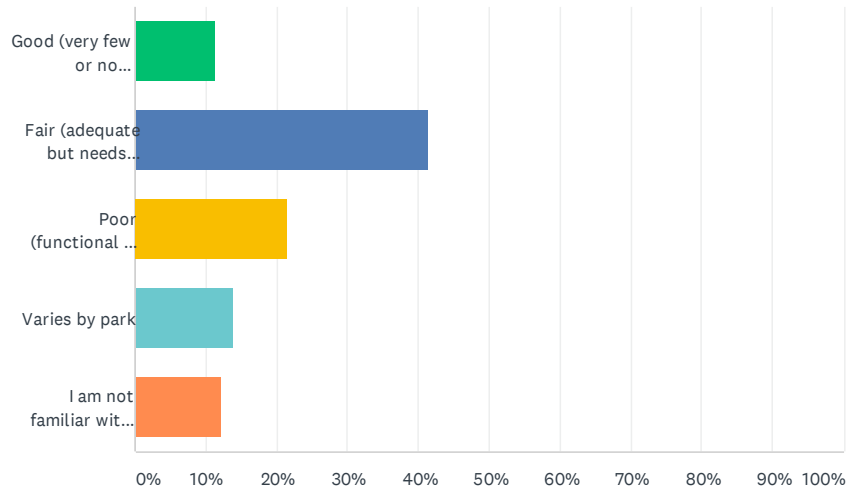


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0 - 5 years of age	31.90%	37
6 - 10 years of age	28.45%	33
11 - 15 years of age	22.41%	26
16 - 18 years of age	10.34%	12
No children currently live in household	37.07%	43
Total Respondents: 116		

**Q6 Comments:** A majority of the respondents have children in the household, with a highest percentage being 0-5 years of age and 6-10 years of age.

## Q7 How would you rate the overall condition of the City of York park system?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0

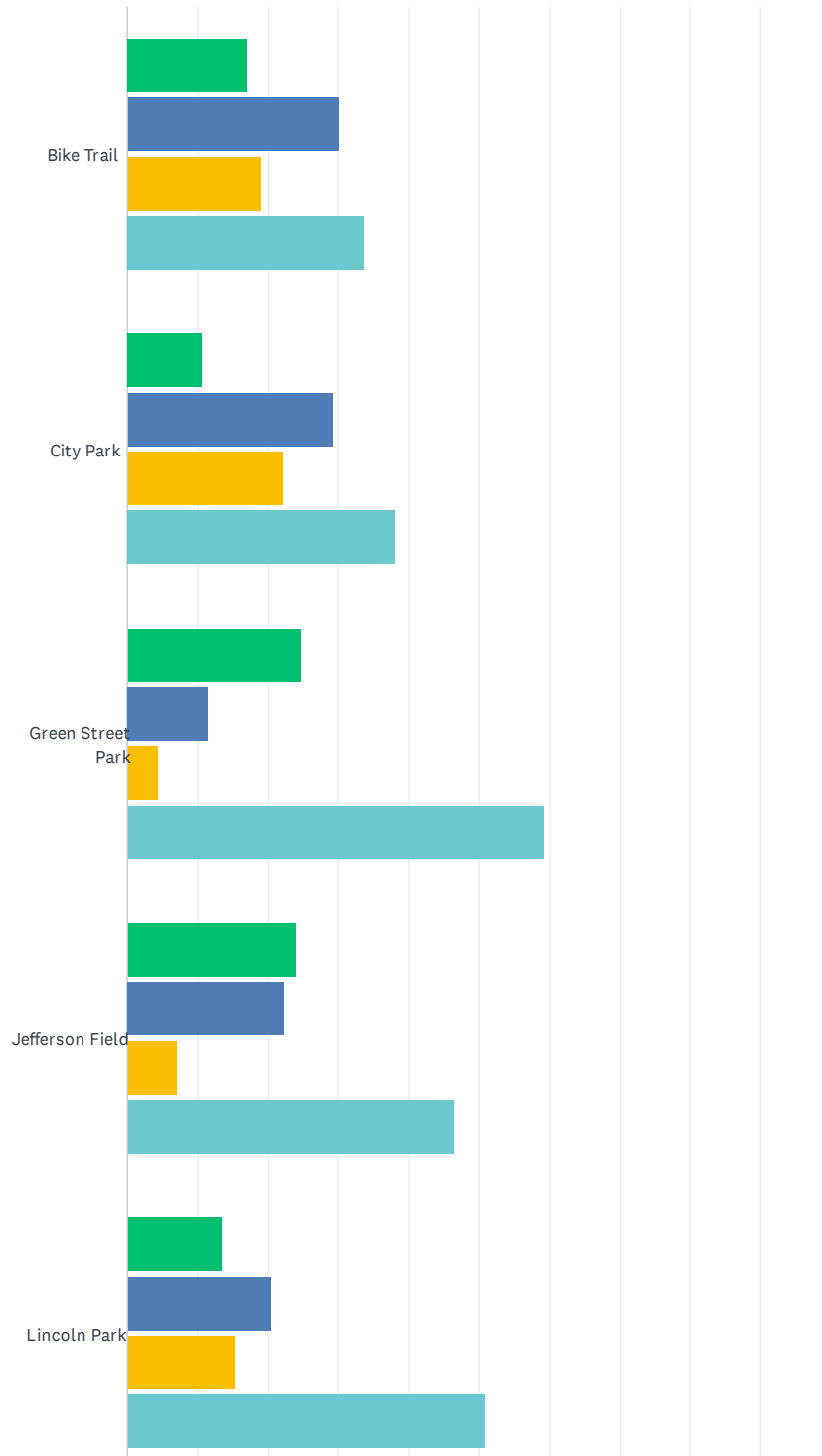


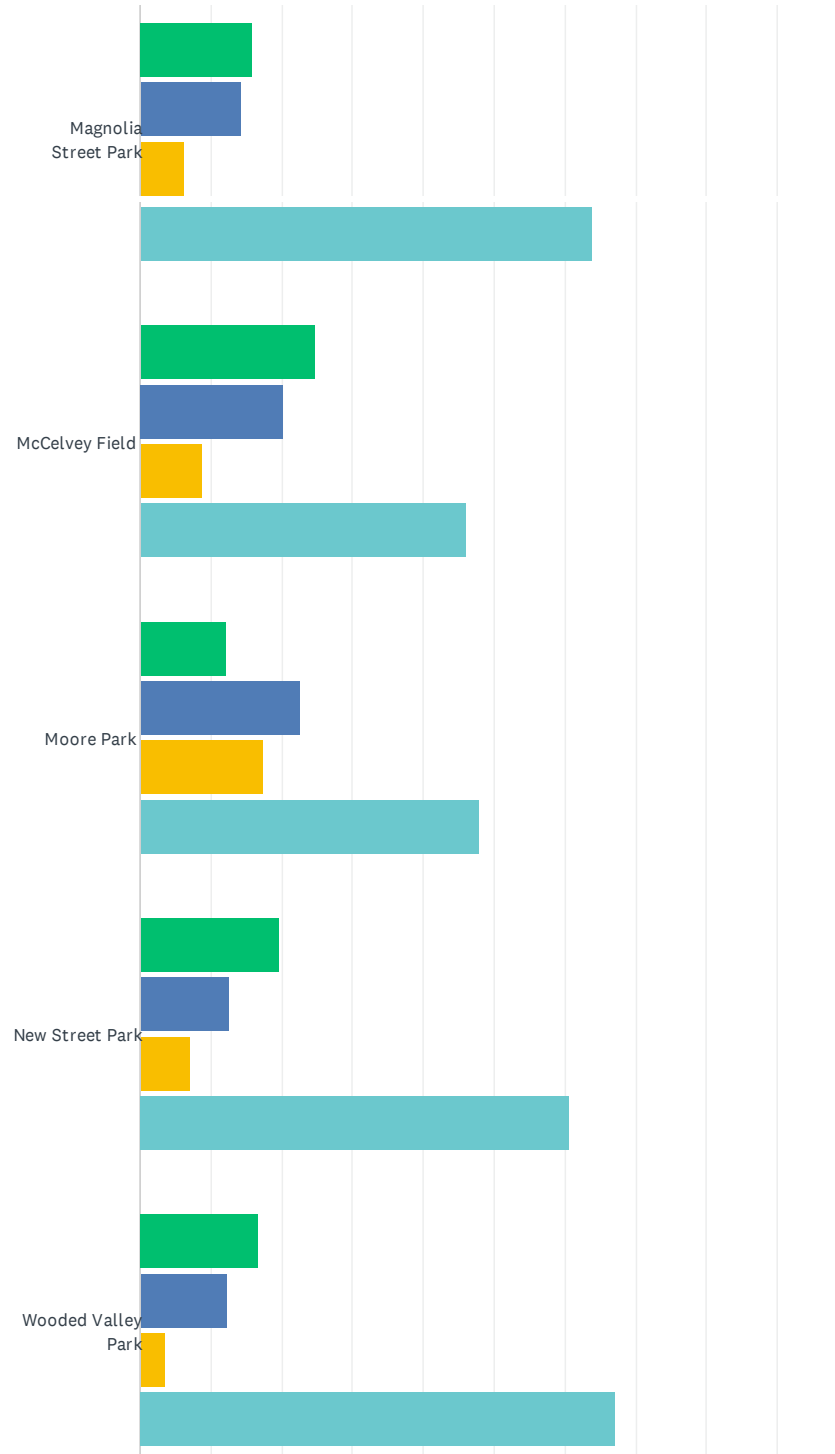
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Good (very few or no maintenance issues)	11.21%	13
Fair (adequate but needs updating)	41.38%	48
Poor (functional but needs attention)	21.55%	25
Varies by park	13.79%	16
I am not familiar with the City of York park system	12.07%	14
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>116</b>

**Q7 Comments:** “Fair” received the highest percent of votes at 41% in describing the overall condition of the City of York park system. While not a majority, it does indicate opportunities for improvements.

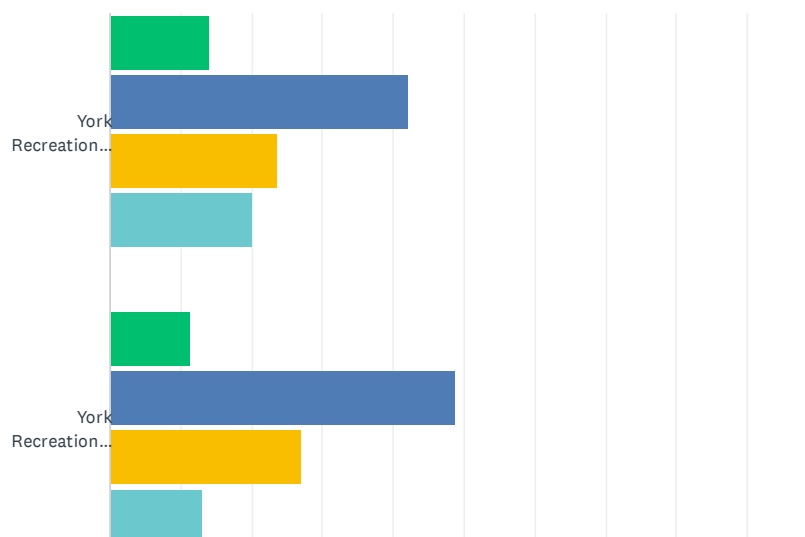
## Q8 How would you rate the condition of the existing park facilities listed below?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0





## APPENDIX C - PARKS PUBLIC SURVEY #1 RESULTS



	POOR (FUNCTIONAL BUT NEEDS ATTENTION)	FAIR (ADEQUATE BUT NEEDS UPDATING)	GOOD (VERY FEW OR NO MAINTENANCE ISSUES)	NOT FAMILIAR WITH PARK FACILITY	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Bike Trail	17.24% 20	30.17% 35	18.97% 22	33.62% 39	116	2.03
City Park	10.62% 12	29.20% 33	22.12% 25	38.05% 43	113	2.19
Green Street Park	24.78% 28	11.50% 13	4.42% 5	59.29% 67	113	1.50
Jefferson Field	24.11% 27	22.32% 25	7.14% 8	46.43% 52	112	1.68
Lincoln Park	13.39% 15	20.54% 23	15.18% 17	50.89% 57	112	2.04
Magnolia Street Park	15.93% 18	14.16% 16	6.19% 7	63.72% 72	113	1.73
McCelvey Field	24.78% 28	20.35% 23	8.85% 10	46.02% 52	113	1.70
Moore Park	12.17% 14	22.61% 26	17.39% 20	47.83% 55	115	2.10
New Street Park	19.64% 22	12.50% 14	7.14% 8	60.71% 68	112	1.68
Wooded Valley Park	16.81% 19	12.39% 14	3.54% 4	67.26% 76	113	1.59
York Recreation Center	14.04% 16	42.11% 48	23.68% 27	20.18% 23	114	2.12
York Recreation Complex	11.30% 13	48.70% 56	26.96% 31	13.04% 15	115	2.18

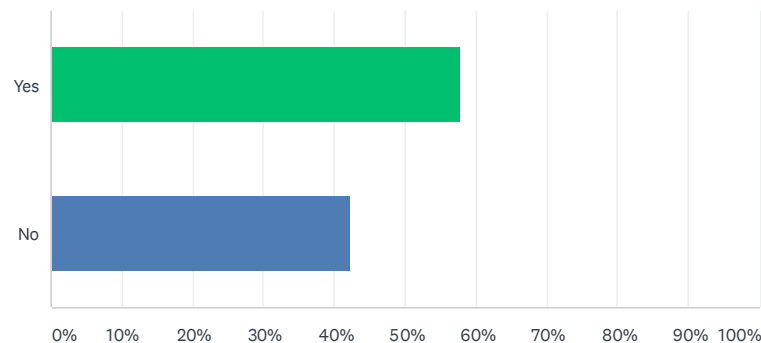
**Q8 Comments:** Interesting in this answer is that there are many parks that the respondents are not familiar with. Green Street Park, Magnolia Street Park, New Street Park and Wooded Valley Park are all parks that received over 55% “Not familiar with park facility” ranking. Respondents are most familiar with York Recreation Center and the York Recreation Complex as they have the lowest percentage of “Not familiar with park facility” votes.

Additionally, in reviewing the conditions of each park, Green Street Park, Jefferson Field, Magnolia Street Park, McCelvey Field, New Street Park, and Wooded Valley Park each have a higher percentage of “Poor” ratings in comparison to “Fair” and “Good.”

The York Recreation Center and the York Recreation Complex each received the highest percentage of “Fair” ratings and “Good” ratings.

### Q9 Does the City of York park system meet your needs?

Answered: 111 Skipped: 5

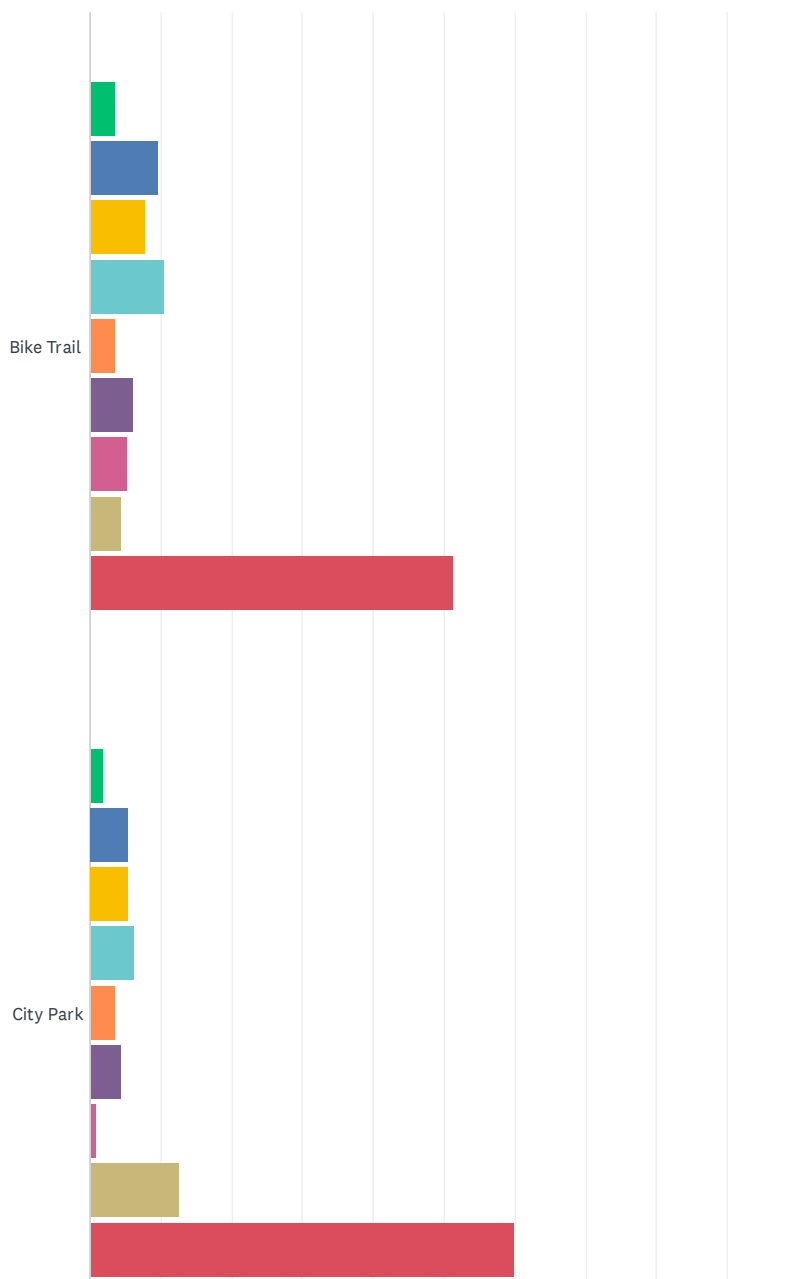


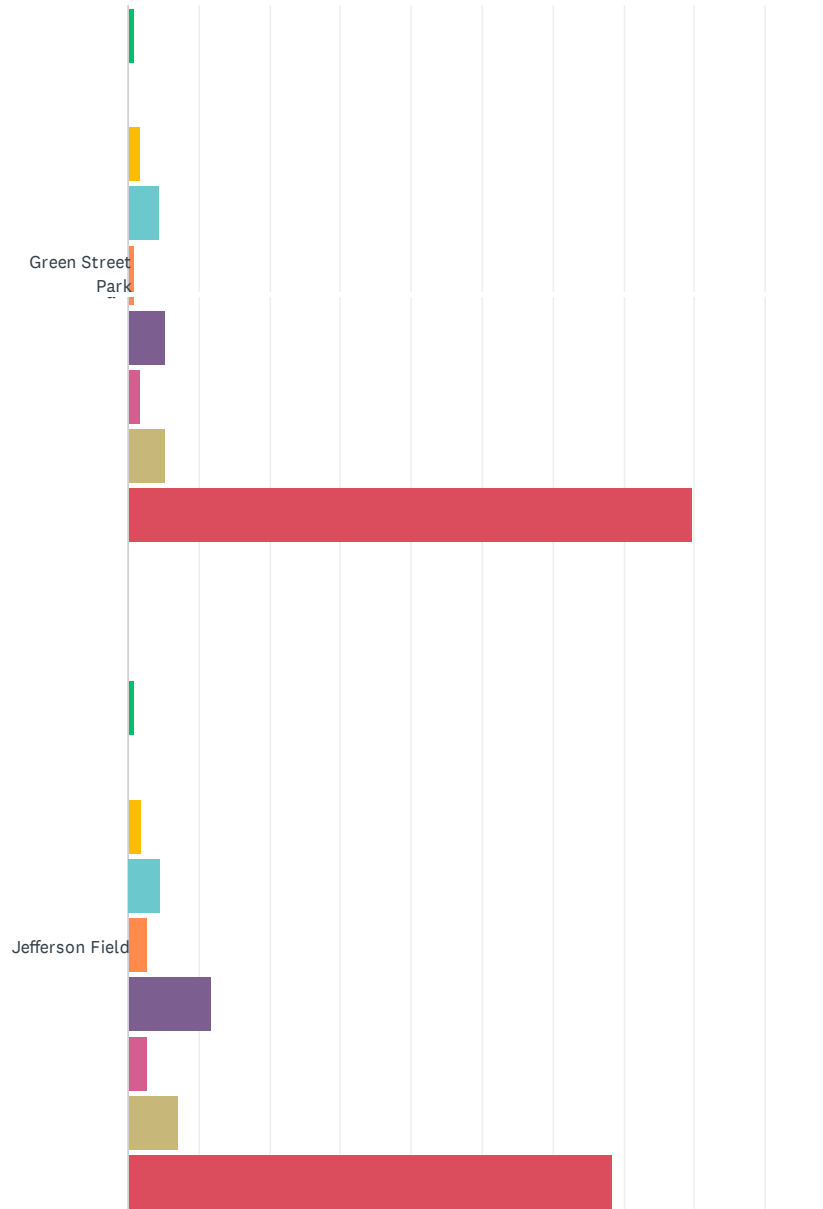
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	57.66%	64
No	42.34%	47
TOTAL		111

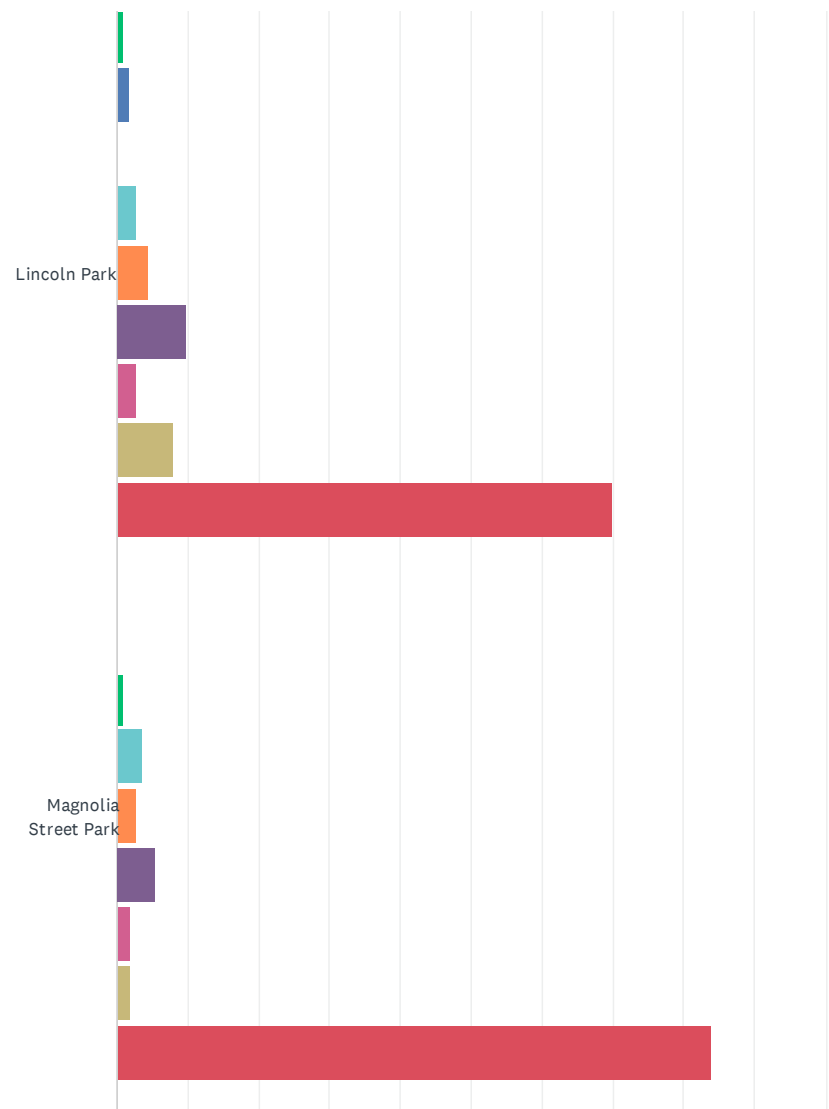
**Q9 Comments:** Over half of the respondents stated that the City of York park system does meet their needs (58%). While this is a majority, the 42% that do not believe it meets their needs, indicates opportunities for improvements.

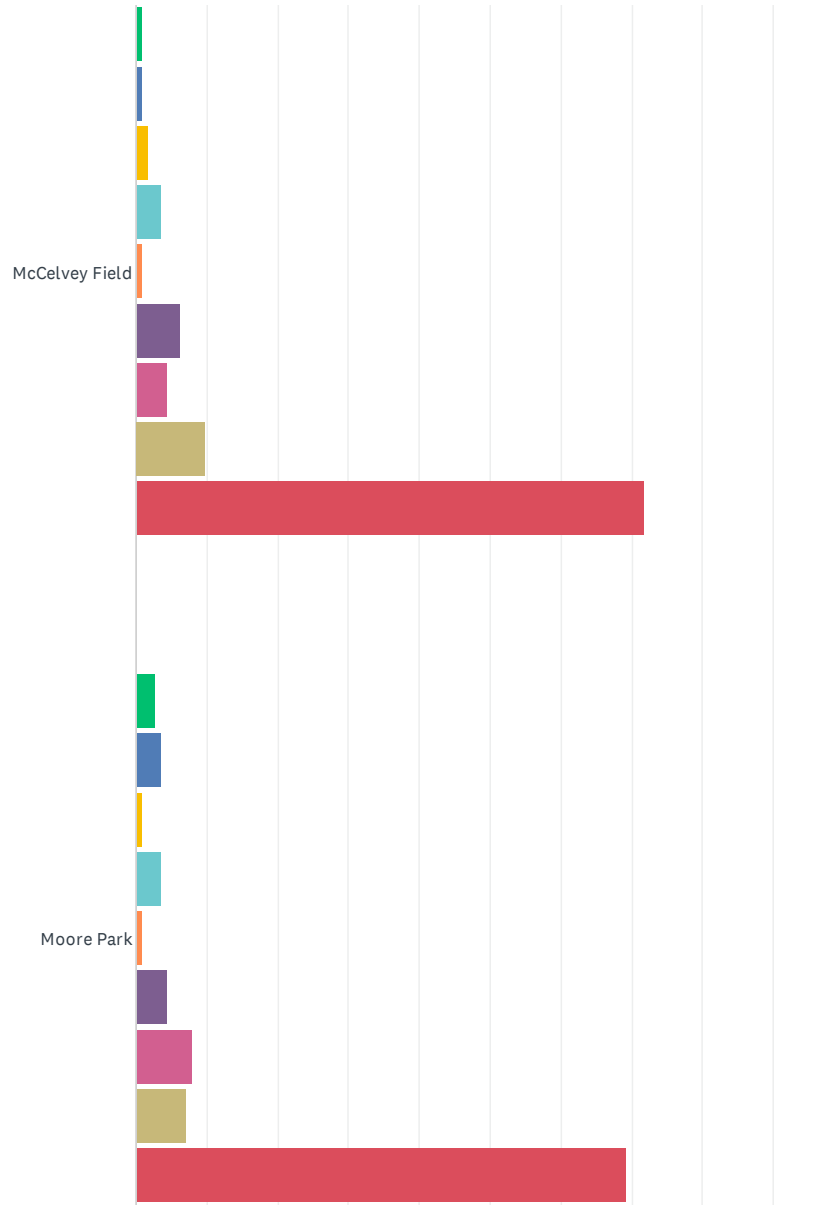
### Q10 Please indicate how often you or a member of your household visit each park.

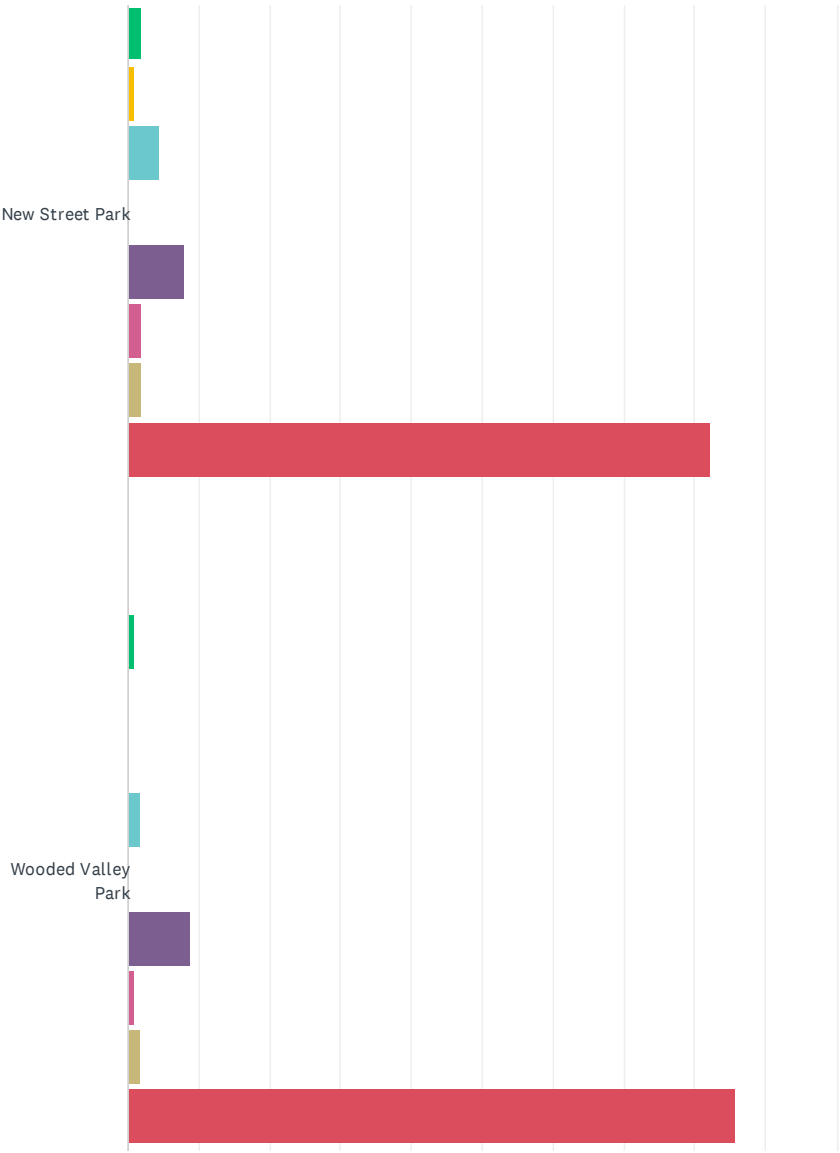
Answered: 116 Skipped: 0

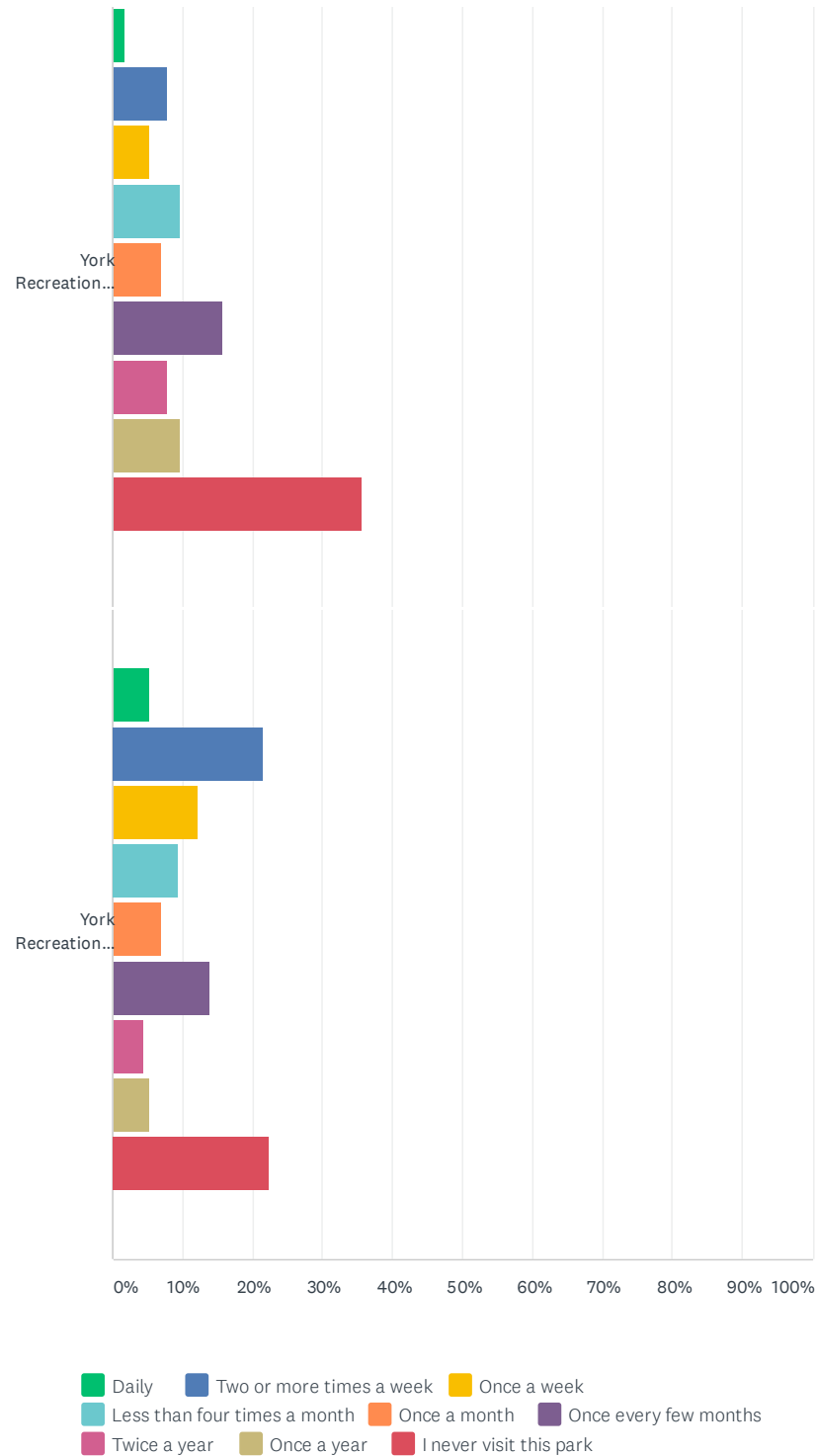












# APPENDIX C - PARKS PUBLIC SURVEY #1 RESULTS



	DAILY	TWO OR MORE TIMES A WEEK	ONCE A WEEK	LESS THAN FOUR TIMES A MONTH	ONCE A MONTH	ONCE EVERY FEW MONTHS	TWICE A YEAR	ONCE A YEAR	I NEVER VISIT THIS PARK	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
Bike Trail	3.48% 4	9.57% 11	7.83% 9	10.43% 12	3.48% 4	6.09% 7	5.22% 6	4.35% 5	51.30% 59	115
City Park	1.79% 2	5.36% 6	5.36% 6	6.25% 7	3.57% 4	4.46% 5	0.89% 1	12.50% 14	59.82% 67	112
Green Street Park	0.88% 1	0.00% 0	1.77% 2	4.42% 5	0.88% 1	5.31% 6	1.77% 2	5.31% 6	79.65% 90	113
Jefferson Field	0.90% 1	0.00% 0	1.80% 2	4.50% 5	2.70% 3	11.71% 13	2.70% 3	7.21% 8	68.47% 76	111
Lincoln Park	0.88% 1	1.77% 2	0.00% 0	2.65% 3	4.42% 5	9.73% 11	2.65% 3	7.96% 9	69.91% 79	113
Magnolia Street Park	0.89% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3.57% 4	2.68% 3	5.36% 6	1.79% 2	1.79% 2	83.93% 94	112
McCelvey Field	0.88% 1	0.88% 1	1.77% 2	3.54% 4	0.88% 1	6.19% 7	4.42% 5	9.73% 11	71.68% 81	113
Moore Park	2.63% 3	3.51% 4	0.88% 1	3.51% 4	0.88% 1	4.39% 5	7.89% 9	7.02% 8	69.30% 79	114
New Street Park	1.79% 2	0.00% 0	0.89% 1	4.46% 5	0.00% 0	8.04% 9	1.79% 2	1.79% 2	82.14% 92	112
Wooded Valley Park	0.88% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	1.77% 2	0.00% 0	8.85% 10	0.88% 1	1.77% 2	85.84% 97	113
York Recreation Center	1.74% 2	7.83% 9	5.22% 6	9.57% 11	6.96% 8	15.65% 18	7.83% 9	9.57% 11	35.65% 41	115
York Recreation Complex	5.17% 6	21.55% 25	12.07% 14	9.48% 11	6.90% 8	13.79% 16	4.31% 5	5.17% 6	22.41% 26	116

**Q10 Comments:** The most frequently visited parks are the #1 – York Recreation Complex, #2 – Bike Trail and #3 – York Recreation Center. The least frequently visited parks include #12 – Wooded Valley Park, #11 – Magnolia Street Park, and #10 – New Street Park.

## Q11 Do you and your family currently visit parks outside of the City of York limits? If so, please list the parks you currently visit.

McConnells and Lowry's

Answered: 64 Skipped: 52

Glencairn gardens, cherry park, manchester park, riverwalk park -Rock Hill

Crowders Mtn State Park

McDowell Park, Charlotte

just moved to the area

Lake wylie and clover

Cherry park

Manchester Park

Belmont Park

Most Rock Hill parks

McConnells Ballfield

Cherry

Sharon park

Glencairn Gardens RH, Crest Street Park RH, Fountain Park RH, Riverwalk RH

HO

McDowell State Park

Rock Hill Parks

no

Dave Lyle area Rock Hill, HG, Sharon

Yes because they are bigger and nicer. McDowell, Glencairn Gardens, Cherry park, Fewell Park, Manchester Park, Martha Rivers, Line

Sharon Park, Cherry Park

Yes, Cherry Park, Manchester Meadows Park, Riverwalk Park, Glencairn Gardens, Cedar Crest Park

Yes. Kings Mountain/Crowders Mountain

Kings Mountain State and National Park, River Park in Rock Hill

Yes, Cherry park, Clover park

Kings mt national and state park, crowders mt st park, Virginia creeper trail, lands ford st park

Riverwalk, Cherry Park, Winthrop Park, Gastonia Greenway

cherry park, crowders mtn. state park, rail trail in CLT

Ebenzer Park

We have gone to clover, Gastonia, and Rock Hill to visit parks. Manchester meadow, martha Rivers, and New Centre

Winthrop Park

Yes because they are cleaner and offer more

We go to parks in Charlotte

Swamp Rabbit Trail in Greenville, SC Thermal Belt Rail Trail in Spindale, NC

Cherry Park, Fewell Park, Riverwalk Trail, Crowder's Mountain, King Mountain

Anne Springs Close Greenway

Cherry Park, Lineberger Park

River walk in Rock Hill

New center park, cherry park

Kings Mtn state & federal/Crowders Mtn Worth Mtn Nanny's Mtn, Anne Close Greenway

Yes in Rock & Clover- much better than York

McDowell nature preserve, Manchester park rock hill

Freedom Park, Charlotte, NC

All rock hill parks

Manchester Meadows, Ann Springs Greenway, Kings Mountain, Crowders Mountain, Fort Mill Park

Cherry park in rock hill

Manchester park, Riverwalk

Sharon Park

Yes, Rock Hill

Sharon Park, Mc Dowell Park

Cherry Park and Manchester.

Lake Wylie Field Day Park

Cherry park and manchester park

Yes all of rock hill parks

Ebenezer Park, McConnells Ball Park

Yes, Glenncairn, kings mountain, anne springs greenway, riverwalk, alison creek

Ebenezer park, Cherry park, cedar crest, riverwalk, magnolia meadows and New Centre in clover

Cedar Crest, Manchester Meadows, Cherry Park

Ebenezer, Annie springs greenway, kings Mtn state park, crowdiers mtn, RiverWalk, Nanmy's Mtn

Manchester, riverwalk

Cherry park, Manchester Meadows Park

McDowell, Sharon, various parks in Rock Hill

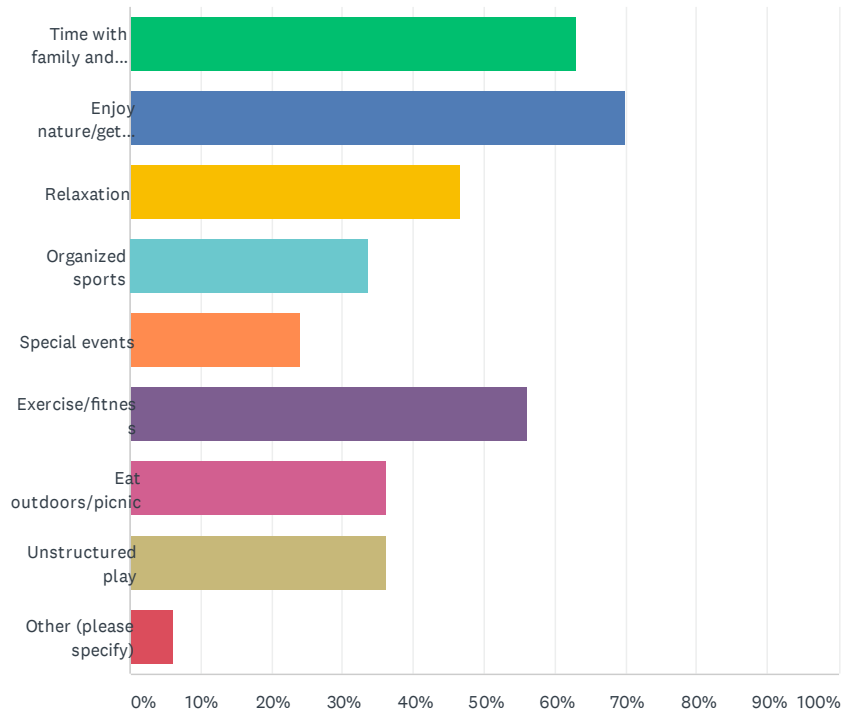
Rock Hill BMX facility.

No.

**Q11 Comments:** Over half of the respondents indicated that they do visit parks outside of the City of York. Rock Hill parks, including Cherry Park, Manchester Meadows Park, RiverWalk, Glencairn Gardens, and Ebenezer Park, overwhelmingly are a common answer among respondents. These parks represent both active and passive recreation facilities. Also frequently listed included more nature-based facilities including Crowder's Mountain State park, Kings Mountain State Park, McDowell Nature Preserve and Anne Springs Close Greenway.

## Q12 Why do you use parks? (check all that apply)

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Time with family and friends	62.93%	73
Enjoy nature/get outdoors	69.83%	81
Relaxation	46.55%	54
Organized sports	33.62%	39
Special events	24.14%	28
Exercise/fitness	56.03%	65
Eat outdoors/picnic	36.21%	42
Unstructured play	36.21%	42
Other (please specify)	6.03%	7
Total Respondents: 116		

A place to eat lunch

Dog park and walk dog

Birthday party

Parks maintenance seems pretty regular. Martha Rivers has a large castle like play ground with walking paths. New Centre has a splash pad for kids.

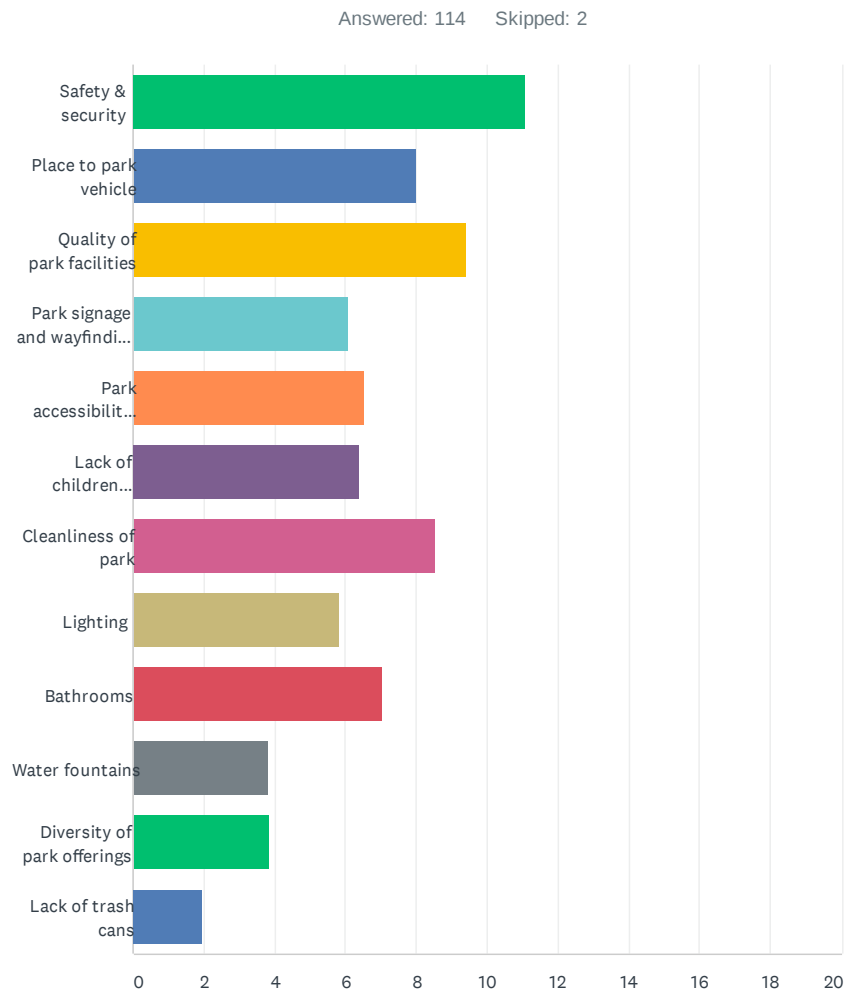
Larger bike path....

Bike riding on trails...

beauty, cleanliness, bathrooms, away from street/traffic

**Q12 Comments:** Respondents identified that the top three reasons for using parks is #1 – enjoy nature/get outside, #2 – time with family and #3 – friends and exercise/fitness.

**Q13** For the parks you currently visit, what are the most important concerns you have when you and/or your family visit the park? Please rank your top concerns in descending order with one (1) being the most important.

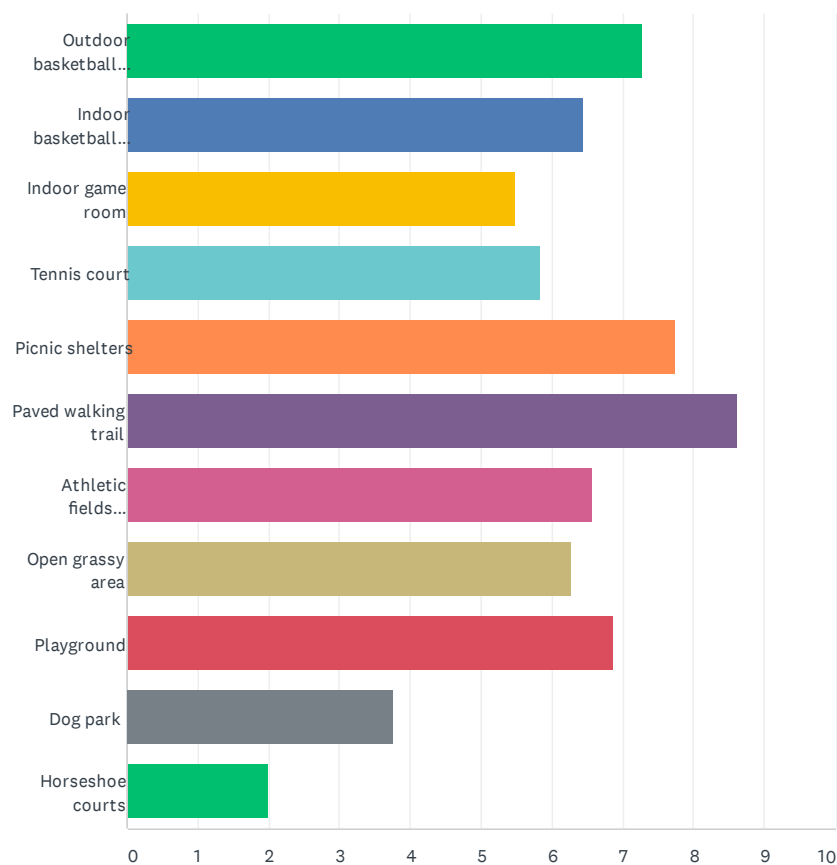


	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
Safety & security	69.64% 78	10.71% 12	5.36% 6	3.57% 4	4.46% 5	0.89% 1	1.79% 2	1.79% 2	1.79% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	1
Place to park vehicle	2.70% 3	31.53% 35	9.91% 11	9.91% 11	5.41% 6	10.81% 12	9.91% 11	3.60% 4	3.60% 4	3.60% 4	1.80% 2	7.21% 8	1
Quality of park facilities	11.71% 13	20.72% 23	26.13% 29	16.22% 18	8.11% 9	7.21% 8	5.41% 6	1.80% 2	0.90% 1	0.00% 0	1.80% 2	0.00% 0	1
Park signage and wayfinding system	1.82% 2	0.00% 0	2.73% 3	20.00% 22	7.27% 8	13.64% 15	14.55% 16	10.91% 12	10.00% 11	7.27% 8	7.27% 8	4.55% 5	1
Park accessibility for all people	2.70% 3	2.70% 3	7.21% 8	6.31% 7	24.32% 27	7.21% 8	9.91% 11	16.22% 18	11.71% 13	7.21% 8	1.80% 2	2.70% 3	1
Lack of children activities	0.90% 1	7.21% 8	4.50% 5	5.41% 6	9.01% 10	24.32% 27	13.51% 15	9.91% 11	11.71% 13	9.01% 10	3.60% 4	0.90% 1	1
Cleanliness of park	8.04% 9	15.18% 17	20.54% 23	9.82% 11	15.18% 17	4.46% 5	16.96% 19	5.36% 6	1.79% 2	2.68% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	1
Lighting	0.90% 1	2.70% 3	8.11% 9	10.81% 12	1.80% 2	6.31% 7	9.91% 11	27.93% 31	17.12% 19	8.11% 9	4.50% 5	1.80% 2	1
Bathrooms	2.65% 3	7.96% 9	11.50% 13	10.62% 12	13.27% 15	11.50% 13	8.85% 10	4.42% 5	23.89% 27	5.31% 6	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	1
Water fountains	0.00% 0	1.80% 2	0.90% 1	1.80% 2	4.50% 5	6.31% 7	3.60% 4	8.11% 9	6.31% 7	45.05% 50	11.71% 13	9.91% 11	1
Diversity of park offerings	0.90% 1	0.90% 1	3.60% 4	6.31% 7	5.41% 6	7.21% 8	1.80% 2	4.50% 5	4.50% 5	2.70% 3	55.86% 62	6.31% 7	1
Lack of trash cans	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.90% 1	0.90% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3.60% 4	4.50% 5	5.41% 6	8.11% 9	10.81% 12	65.77% 73	1

**Q13 Comments:** Respondents identified that the top three concerns when visiting a park are #1 – safety and security, #2 – quality of the park facilities and #3 – cleanliness of the park.

**Q14** Of all the City of York parks that you have visited in the past 12 months, what type of facilities do you use most often? Please rank facilities in descending order with one (1) being most used facility.

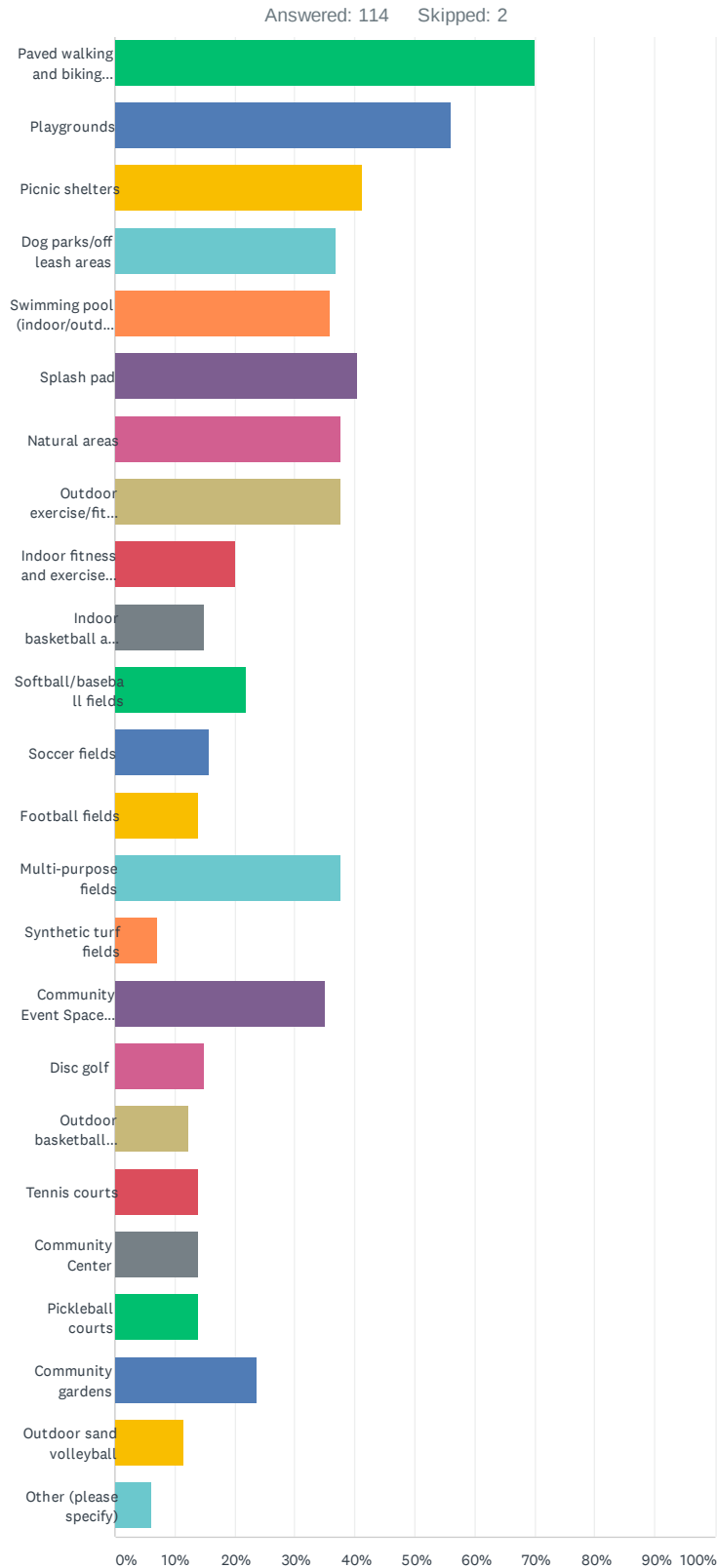
Answered: 110 Skipped: 6



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	TOTAL	SCORE
Outdoor basketball court	20.20% 20	12.12% 12	10.10% 10	9.09% 9	10.10% 10	11.11% 11	5.05% 5	5.05% 5	7.07% 7	6.06% 6	4.04% 4	99	7.2
Indoor basketball court	3.09% 3	21.65% 21	3.09% 3	9.28% 9	12.37% 12	14.43% 14	7.22% 7	12.37% 12	5.15% 5	7.22% 7	4.12% 4	97	6.4
Indoor game room	0.00% 0	1.03% 1	24.74% 24	5.15% 5	6.19% 6	14.43% 14	11.34% 11	8.25% 8	8.25% 8	9.28% 9	11.34% 11	97	5.4
Tennis court	1.03% 1	2.06% 2	5.15% 5	25.77% 25	6.19% 6	13.40% 13	15.46% 15	10.31% 10	16.49% 16	3.09% 3	1.03% 1	97	5.8
Picnic shelters	8.74% 9	11.65% 12	16.50% 17	15.53% 16	29.13% 30	3.88% 4	6.80% 7	3.88% 4	3.88% 4	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	103	7.1
Paved walking trail	32.41% 35	17.59% 19	11.11% 12	7.41% 8	3.70% 4	15.74% 17	3.70% 4	7.41% 8	0.00% 0	0.93% 1	0.00% 0	108	8.6
Athletic fields (baseball, softball, football)	14.00% 14	7.00% 7	6.00% 6	7.00% 7	9.00% 9	7.00% 7	33.00% 33	5.00% 5	9.00% 9	3.00% 3	0.00% 0	100	6.5
Open grassy area	0.98% 1	11.76% 12	15.69% 16	10.78% 11	9.80% 10	3.92% 4	3.92% 4	33.33% 34	7.84% 8	1.96% 2	0.00% 0	102	6.2
Playground	22.86% 24	15.24% 16	4.76% 5	7.62% 8	5.71% 6	3.81% 4	0.95% 1	0.95% 1	31.43% 33	5.71% 6	0.95% 1	105	6.8
Dog park	2.02% 2	5.05% 5	5.05% 5	3.03% 3	5.05% 5	7.07% 7	4.04% 4	4.04% 4	3.03% 3	49.49% 49	12.12% 12	99	3.7
Horseshoe courts	1.02% 1	0.00% 0	1.02% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3.06% 3	6.12% 6	7.14% 7	4.08% 4	11.22% 11	66.33% 65	98	1.5

**Q14 Comments:** Respondents identified that the City of York park facilities most often used in the past 12 months are #1 – paved walking trail, #2 – picnic shelters, and #3 – outdoor basketball court.

### Q15 What type of park facilities are most needed if existing parks are renovated and/or new parks are built? (please select all that apply)



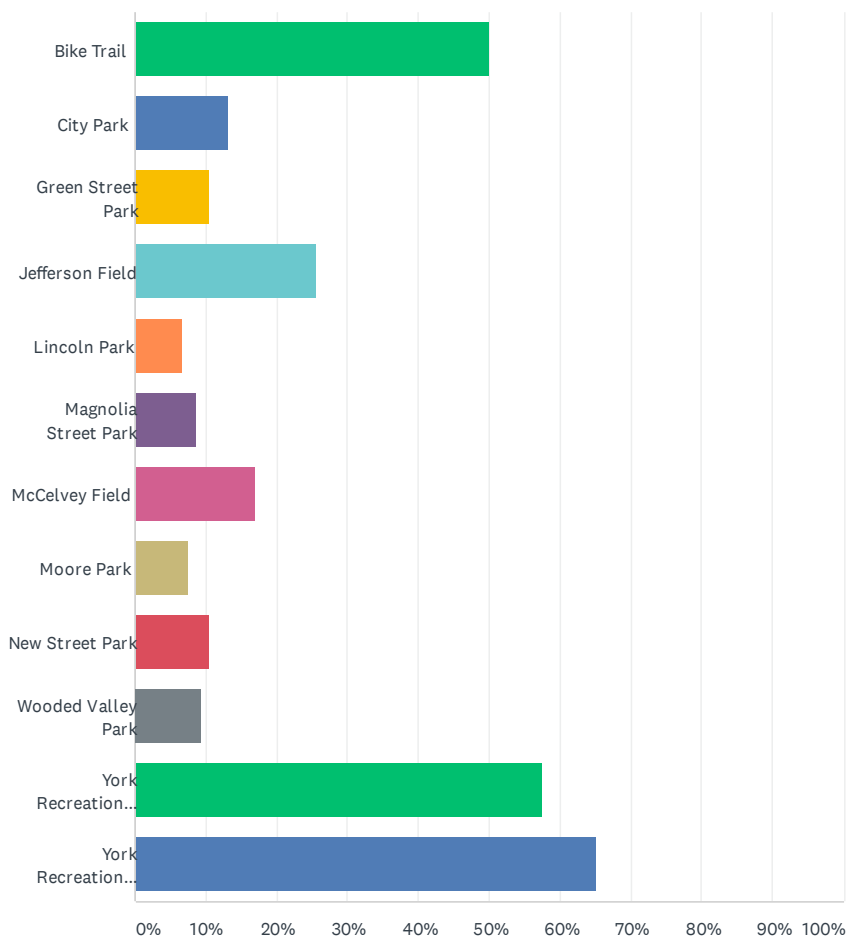
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Paved walking and biking trails and greenways	70.18%	80
Playgrounds	56.14%	64
Picnic shelters	41.23%	47
Dog parks/off leash areas	36.84%	42
Swimming pool (indoor/outdoor)	35.96%	41
Splash pad	40.35%	46
Natural areas	37.72%	43
Outdoor exercise/fitness stations	37.72%	43
Indoor fitness and exercise facilities	20.18%	23
Indoor basketball and volleyball facilities	14.91%	17
Softball/baseball fields	21.93%	25
Soccer fields	15.79%	18
Football fields	14.04%	16
Multi-purpose fields	37.72%	43
Synthetic turf fields	7.02%	8
Community Event Space (amphitheater/pavilion)	35.09%	40
Disc golf	14.91%	17
Outdoor basketball courts	12.28%	14
Tennis courts	14.04%	16
Community Center	14.04%	16
Pickleball courts	14.04%	16
Community gardens	23.68%	27
Outdoor sand volleyball	11.40%	13
Other (please specify)	6.14%	7
Total Respondents: 114		

Ponds  
 Connection to Carolina thread trail, urban trails to Charlotte  
 Take care of what we have, before expanding beyond our capacity to maintain!  
 Tennis courts  
 Fix up the gross parks you have before you add new stuff  
 Mountain bike trails  
 Non-paved running/walking/hiking trails

**Q15 Comments:** Respondents identified that the top five park facilities needed in the City of York include #1 – paved walking and biking trails and greenways, #2 – playgrounds, #3 – picnic shelters, #4 – splash pad, and a tie for #5 with natural areas, outdoor exercise/fitness stations and multi-purpose fields.

**Q16 Which of the following City of York parks require the most support in the next 3-5 years? Please select top three (3) parks in need of support.**

Answered: 106 Skipped: 10

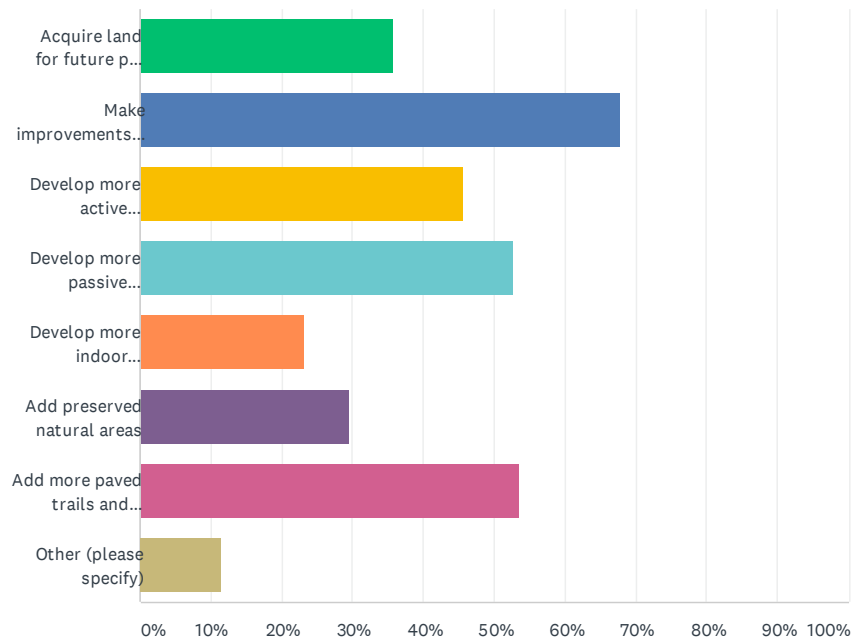


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bike Trail	50.00%	53
City Park	13.21%	14
Green Street Park	10.38%	11
Jefferson Field	25.47%	27
Lincoln Park	6.60%	7
Magnolia Street Park	8.49%	9
McCelvey Field	16.98%	18
Moore Park	7.55%	8
New Street Park	10.38%	11
Wooded Valley Park	9.43%	10
York Recreation Center	57.55%	61
York Recreation Complex	65.09%	69
Total Respondents: 106		

**Q16 Comments:** Respondents identified that the top three parks in need of short-term support are #1 – York Recreation Complex, #2 – York Recreation Center and #3 – the Bike Trail.

### Q17 Which initiatives should the City of York prioritize for future implementation? (please select all that apply)

Answered: 112 Skipped: 4

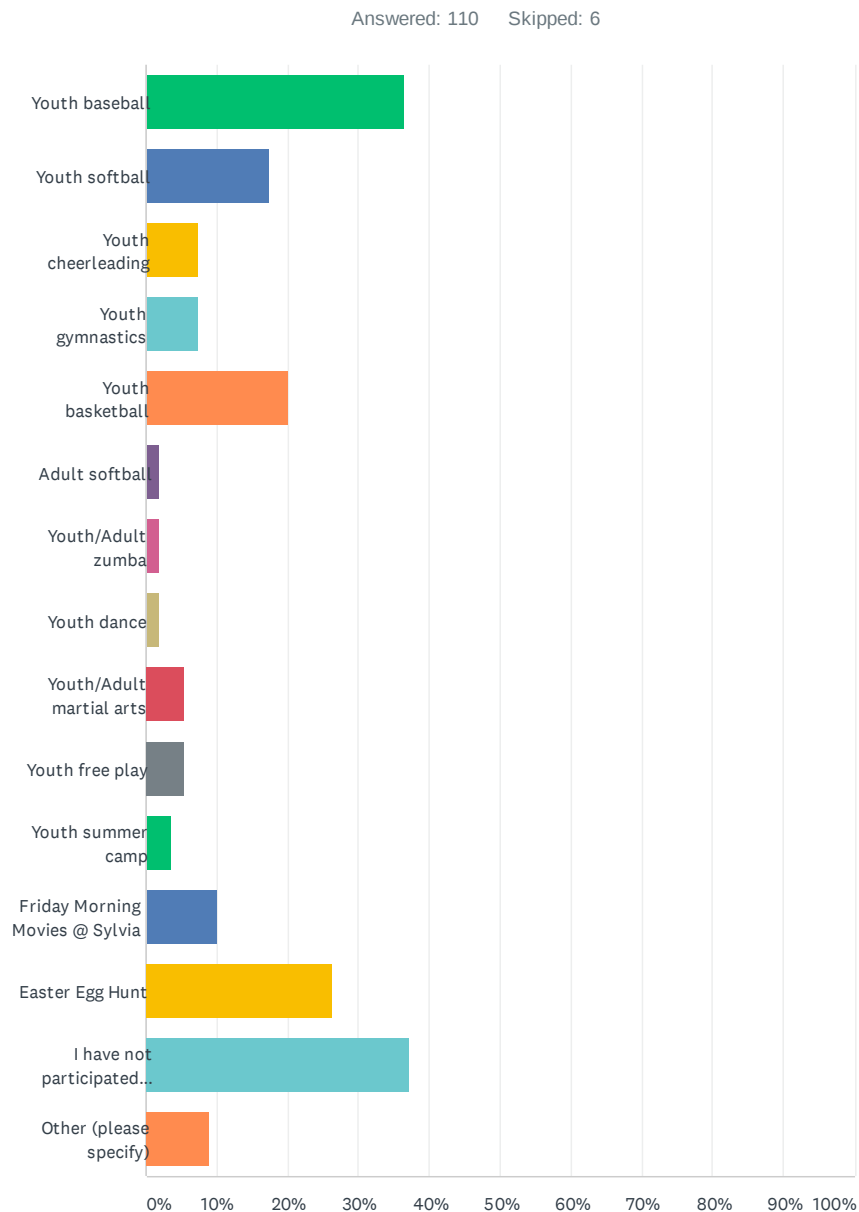


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Acquire land for future park development	35.71%	40
Make improvements/renovate and maintain existing facilities	67.86%	76
Develop more active recreation (IE: baseball, softball, soccer)	45.54%	51
Develop more passive recreation (IE: walking, picnicking, biking)	52.68%	59
Develop more indoor recreation facilities	23.21%	26
Add preserved natural areas	29.46%	33
Add more paved trails and greenways	53.57%	60
Other (please specify)	11.61%	13
Total Respondents: 112		

improve sidewalks  
 Dog park  
 Bike trail, walking trail  
 Splash pad  
 LIGHTING!  
 The spaces that are cared for and well maintained will be visited more frequently!  
 Add a Youth League football facility  
 A community pool  
 Tennis courts with pro & ofc/bathrooms  
 Play spaces for kids  
 Event space / amphitheater  
 Bathrooms  
 Adding New playground areas and updating areas that are already there

**Q17 Comments:** Respondents identified that making improvements or renovating and maintaining existing facilities is the top priority for future implementation. Second is adding more paved trails and greenways and third is develop more passive recreation.

### Q18 Have you or anyone in your household participated in City of York's athletic and recreation programming? (check all that apply)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Youth baseball	36.36%	40
Youth softball	17.27%	19
Youth cheerleading	7.27%	8
Youth gymnastics	7.27%	8
Youth basketball	20.00%	22
Adult softball	1.82%	2
Youth/Adult zumba	1.82%	2
Youth dance	1.82%	2
Youth/Adult martial arts	5.45%	6
Youth free play	5.45%	6
Youth summer camp	3.64%	4
Friday Morning Movies @ Sylvia	10.00%	11
Easter Egg Hunt	26.36%	29
I have not participated in the City of York's athletic and recreation programming	37.27%	41
Other (please specify)	9.09%	10
Total Respondents: 110		

soccer

Activities could be better advertised

Youth football

My son will be 3 this year and I was hoping the rec centers offered more options for sports.

Football

We have tried the basketball program at the Rec. We went to Rock Hill to participate in their programs because York had no guidance for the young folks.

Use of bike & walking trails

Soccer

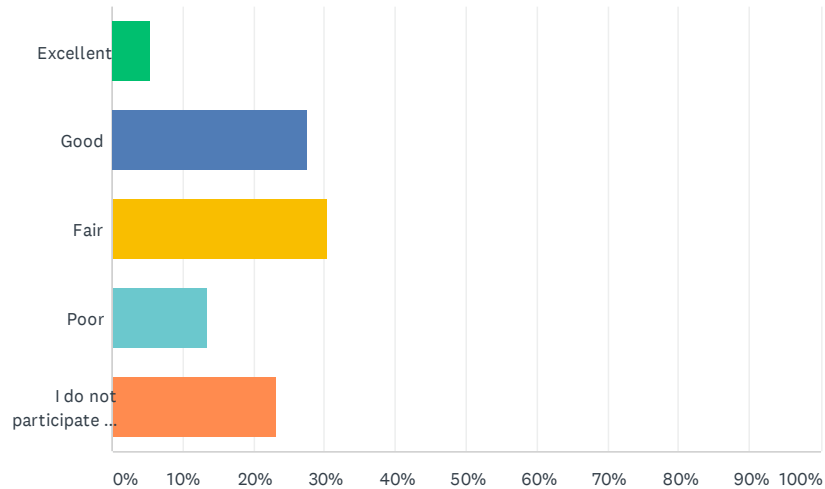
Youth football

flag football

**Q18 Comments:** Youth baseball, youth basketball and youth softball are the top three activities that respondents or someone in the household have participated in. Other activities mentioned include youth football and soccer. Over one third (37%) of respondents have not participated in the City of York's athletic and recreation programming.

### Q19 How would you rate the quality of the City of York's athletic and recreation programs offered? (please select one)

Answered: 112 Skipped: 4

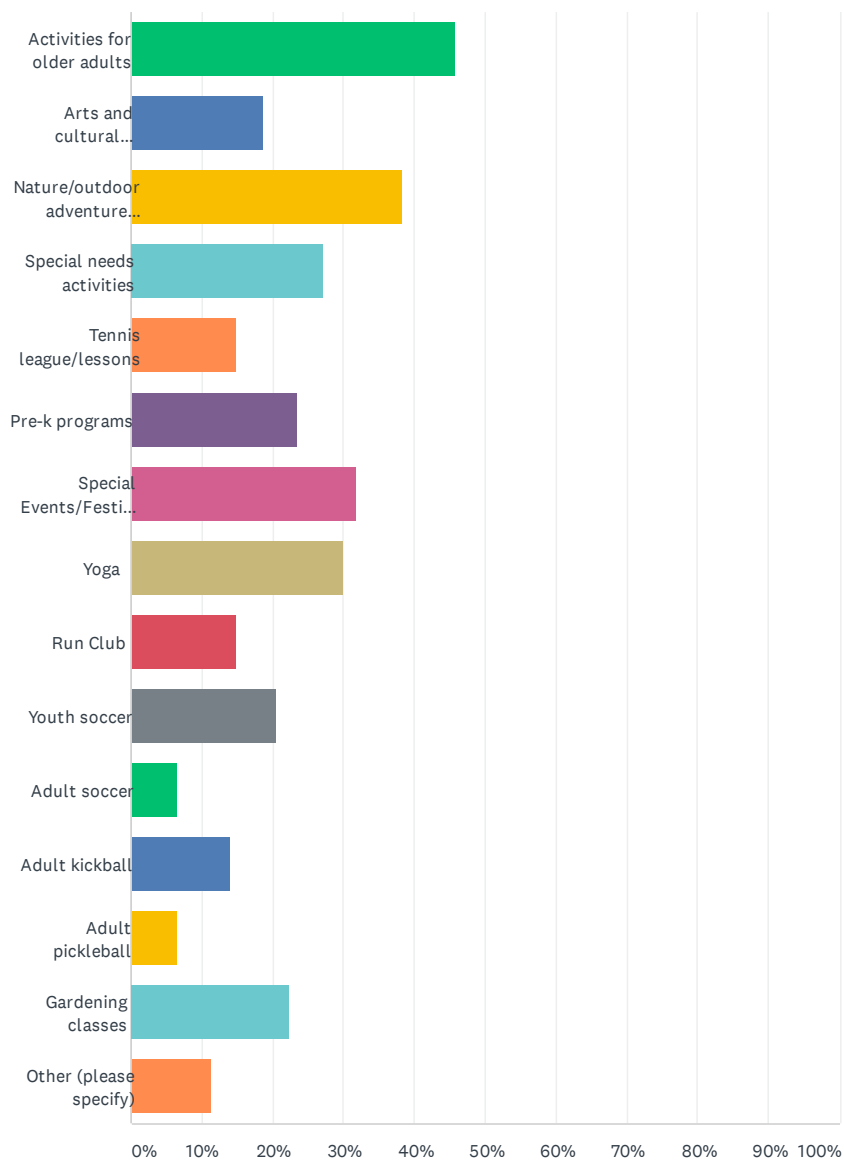


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	5.36%	6
Good	27.68%	31
Fair	30.36%	34
Poor	13.39%	15
I do not participate in any City of York's athletic and recreation programs	23.21%	26
TOTAL		112

**Q19 Comments:** The City of York's athletic and recreation programming received the most rankings as fair. Over 57% rated the programming as fair or good.

## Q20 What athletic and recreation programs would you like to see added? (check all that apply)

Answered: 107 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Activities for older adults	45.79%	49
Arts and cultural programs	18.69%	20
Nature/outdoor adventure activities	38.32%	41
Special needs activities	27.10%	29
Tennis league/lessons	14.95%	16
Pre-k programs	23.36%	25
Special Events/Festivals	31.78%	34
Yoga	29.91%	32
Run Club	14.95%	16
Youth soccer	20.56%	22
Adult soccer	6.54%	7
Adult kickball	14.02%	15
Adult pickleball	6.54%	7
Gardening classes	22.43%	24
Other (please specify)	11.21%	12
Total Respondents: 107		

Football and cheer programs for elementary students  
 walking club  
 pools  
 swim  
 don't overextend, keep it simple and do it properly  
 STEM programs. The library had a couple robot and coding workshops that were fun  
 Line dancing or danercise, yoga  
 Run club would be the best  
 Bike clubs  
 We have tried the basketball program at the Rec but lack of guidance and supervision so we went to Rock Hill.  
 Junior golf  
 Easier access to be on a men's softball team. Open roster or random team generation.

**Q20 Comments:** Respondents identified that the top five desired programs include #1 – activities for older adults, #2 – nature/outdoor adventure activities, #3 – special events and festivals, #4 – yoga, and #5 – special needs activities.

## Q21 Please provide any additional comments and feedback about existing City of York's park facilities and/or future park and recreation needs.

Answered: 27 Skipped: 89

My family moved to York -4 years ago from Rock Hill. We love York and would love for our adult children and grand kids to find their residence here. Adding better parks and rec. to this area would be a great asset. With all the new housing development growth I hope this will bring great parks.

My dog and I walk the bike path daily. Lots of branches dangling from overhead trees.

Extend facilities to local travel ball teams and host tournaments

My two sets of parents and my family reside outside of the city. We would love to see more parks/recreation in surrounding areas of the county (away from Rock Hill and Fort Mill), such as near Sharon. Just basic things. Walking trails and reserved outdoor space that we could walk to. Sidewalks or bike lanes would be nice on larger roads like 49 and Sutton Spring. Connectivity to downtown would be fantastic. Would be nice to be able to ride bicycles into town and visit farmers market and shops. Oh and BIGGER farmers market. Please give some love to the surrounding areas!!

The ballfield complex should be open to all - biking, skate boarding, walking, jogging. Basketball courts should be installed at back of parking lots where the defunct horseshoe pits are to be used when parking is not required. Frisbee golf course could be set up all around park. Play area should be greatly expanded. The area next to biking path should be allowed to grow wild flowers. York needs more trails that incorporate better sidewalks.

There is trash everywhere, especially near biking trail. Poor grounds upkeep!!!

City sidewalks are important too. Many people enjoy walking through the neighborhoods to access the parks. Good Luck!

We need a separate youth football facility. It is a shame we have to play youth football on a baseball field!!

My family and I enjoy the movies nights in the park that some other cities have put on. I know York had done a couple but the movies showing I didn't think appropriate for my kids ages at the time, but did appreciate the fact the city was doing movie nights

I feel the City of York needs something in place for the youth. A program that is diverse and give the kids a means of staying out of the streets. A program that introduces etiquette, culture, mental health awareness, and health and nutrition. A program that offers life lessons and trades. Classes on finances, budgeting, saving, and creating different streams of income.

More classes for adults, pottery, painting, photography. Run club!!! Community family pool!!!

Clearing and paving the abandoned rail road within the city limits and providing planned bike routes from each park to that paved railway would be a huge improvement for the City Park system

We need to do better in York. The kids have no place to hang out. We have ALL these OLD HISTORICAL buildings but they just sit. You want to rent them out but it's extremely expensive to rent!! If you want people to stay in York and put \$\$ in York, you gotta do better!!!

Thanks for the Splash Pad.

Consider acquiring a large tract for camping & walking trails

I had never heard of some of these parks.

I never knew York had so many parks and have lived [here my whole life!](#)

The baseball program is not properly run. The app is not updated. So no schedule no information. We are informed of practices the day of. Kids are not learning and getting the practice that they need. One York team practices every other day while the other practices once to twice a week. The team got 4 practices before games started only to be embarrassed.

Please consider a plan to develop a Rails to Trails program utilizing the unused railroad tracks connecting Rock Hill to York. This would provide much needed revitalization to York with fitness access between Rock Hill and York for all citizens to stay active, reduce motor vehicle usage and provide increased economic opportunity to York as a destination. As an example please see the Swamp Rabbit Trail linking Greenville to the much smaller Travelers Rest. The increased economic activity in Travelers Rest has been outstanding (restaurants, coffee shops, shopping, art shops, bike rental and outdoor shops) Imagine turning the town of York into a destination and thinking big on funneling our resources into a destination park!

I am seriously afraid to walk @ the York complex .... I think I heard gunshots one time . I don't feel safe there & would never go after dark even with the lights on

The city of York's park and recreation department is a joke, you are liable to break an ankle & get attacked by a dog while walking the trails. Have you tried to find a parking spot when there is a basketball game at the Rec Center it's impossible. Leak needs to be fired and someone who knows what they are doing needs to take over

I just think I get disappointed about the maintenance of the complex. I feel like it has gone down in the last few years. Please reopen the restrooms since people actively walk there.

The new splash pad needs bathrooms

Please fix up the York rec complex park! It's the only park with a nicer walking area and a playground for the kids. We need more kid areas in the city where we can feel safe and that the facilities are CLEAN! Thanks!

Please don't put 15 kids on a baseball/softball team. It would've been great to have another team and more games instead of 15 kids who are not guaranteed to have adequate playing as others.

I would love to see York's parks get more areas for playing(Playground Equipment), Bathrooms and just updating. Kids need to be outside more and less video games, so anything to entice them to get out.

Mountain biking is becoming insanely popular in the charlotte area and the closest trails are 45 minutes away. I have always wanted to be in a softball team but do not know a lot of people in the area who have a team. An open sign up and random team generation would help.

It would be great to have a well maintained trail system throughout the city of York that allows for running or hiking and bike riding which connects the city together with minimal need for transiting on roads.

**Q21 Comments:** Main themes from the additional feedback provided include:

- Connectivity and Trails – People desire walking and biking connectivity not only to park facilities but throughout York to a variety of destinations.
- Provide Clean and Safe Space for Kids – Providing amenities for kids to get outside and play appears to be a top priority among respondents.
- Maintenance and safety are critical to park usage.
- Lack of Familiarity with Parks – Comments received indicate that even people that have lived in York their entire life or for a majority of their life, were unaware of all of the parks included in the York park system.

# CITY OF YORK PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY #2 RESULTS

## York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

### Do you agree with the York Recreation Complex proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
6.80%	19.42%	21.36%	31.07%	21.36%	103	3.41
7	20	22	32	22		
Answered						103
Skipped						1

Do you agree with the York Recreation Complex proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the York Recreation Complex proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	Spending 8+million dollars on a multi phase plan on parks that won't be taken care of and abused by the public. Fix the problems within the city infrastructure.
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	you shouldnt sink 8 million dollars into parks, maybe try giving that to the poor or homeless :3
Strongly Disagree	I don't think we need to renovate nine parks. York is not going to use the things you propose. Unlike a pool or a theme park, which plenty of people will use. You have the money for it. Little kids have enough things to do in York, us teens have nothing.
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	cause we need it
Strongly Disagree	I don't think we need a new recreation Center. Update the current one.
Disagree	I would really like to have a water park in york because we don't have one and summers get very hot
Disagree	Need to have a volleyball space with a good net not just baseball fields
Disagree	The complex is one of the nicer parks. I think we should add a pool if anything, but more funding should go to the lesser areas.
Disagree	I am thankful that we are taking a look at our parks. However, I am not sure why we would think that we need more baseball/softball fields. This is a poor representation of the York population. I would propose we invest in a new recreation center (indoor basketball courts/ workout equipment) or swimming pool before we even consider more baseball/softball fields. These would actually benefit the ENTIRE population of York instead of the relatively small baseball/softball community.
Disagree	York Rec is already nice enough while the other parks are not and could use the funding instead.
Disagree	We should put indoor basketball courts there.
Disagree	we don't need to spend money on new fields instead we should get pools and like fun trampoline places.
Disagree	the complex is the best looking one why spend so much on it when you can give more funds to other field
Disagree	new football/soccer field
Disagree	its good we just need to add more
Disagree	We don't need a another baseball/softball field we need football fields
Disagree	No because we already have enough baseball and softball fields and we really don't need another one
Disagree	i really dont think we need new field but instead put that money toward a skate park or pool
Disagree	we don't need more baseball/softball fields we need a pool or a trampoline park or a skate park
Disagree	
Disagree	5 softball/baseball fields. No soccer field.
Disagree	Although the play areas are great additions, the plan seems very heavily weighted to baseball/softball fields. The only soccer complexes around are in Clover and Rock Hill for kids to play. This plan only offers one field that is superimposed with ANOTHER baseball field. We already have an existing complex dedicated to baseball, so I strongly feel soccer, basketball and tennis should be included. Additionally, it would be nice to not only redo the bike trail but extend the path. I have answered neutral to all below because I feel the City should go back to the designer for suggestions on the best location to place a soccer complex. Being that a soccer field is large and flat, it could also be used in off season as a multipurpose green space.
Disagree	The city of York needs true soccer fields for our youth. We have an abundance of baseball fields at the complex and NO soccer fields anywhere in York. Myself and many other families are forced to drive our kids to Rock Hill and Clover to play a basic sport like soccer. We do not need more baseball, we need to diversify the fields offered and not show such a preference.
Disagree	Let's show that we care by taking double extra good maintenance on what we already have. New everything is not necessary!
Disagree	All the tax dollars to provide services/improved services falls on home owners. The city needs to find industry for our city to provide tax revenue!
Neutral	
Neutral	I am ten and have lived in York all my life and have not enjoyed all the parks.I really like the existing baseball fields, but I think we could use a pool there because it is probably the biggest park and a pool would fit better there.
Neutral	you should add pool or a skate park or a horse trail
Neutral	
Neutral	I think we don't need to have so many baseball/softball fields.
Neutral	itis ight
Neutral	ion no
Neutral	I feel like the complex is already good enough. If you want to add more then that is fine but it doesn't need more.
Neutral	The rec needs to have more sports available other than just mainly baseball/softball. There needs to be soccer and football fields.
Neutral	I think the recreation complex is nice enough, so take a percentage of the money towards that, and put it towards something else.
Neutral	We need a soccer field, basketball court, and skate park
Neutral	football and soccer field and a pool
Neutral	
Neutral	a pool would be nice
Neutral	i like the new idea but i like the old looks
Neutral	I think we need to focus on differnt things like have a pool and bathrooms for the parks
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	At least add a bathroom, im tired of using the porta-potties
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	

Do you agree with the York Recreation Complex proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the York Recreation Complex proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	I am all for renovating the existing baseball/softball fields. The possibility of an indoor pool or basketball court could also greatly improve the Recreation Center.
Agree	it helps decide so i agree with it
Agree	i like the batting cage
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	you should add different types of fields to the rec.
Agree	
Agree	more feilds
Agree	
Agree	I think that the new stuff that has been added is great but I think there should be more multi-purpose fields added to parks instead of baseball/softball fields
Agree	I liked how it was improving upon what was already there
Agree	Most fields are kept nice but the restrooms need an improvement.
Agree	Add more soccer/football fields
Agree	I believe that this will be good for out economy
Agree	don't have any
Agree	It's a very fun place for kids of the ages 3-10.
Agree	no need to improve
Agree	I believe we should build historical European martial arts (HEMA) clubs to revive the practice and sport of Medieval European fencing, sparring, jousting and hand to hand fighting techniques, and to reintroduce/repopulate them.
Agree	i think we need a rock climb trail
Agree	Cleaner bathrooms
Agree	
Agree	We don't need to spend so much money on this park. It would be better to spend more on Jefferson field- a good multi-use green space would get a lot more use.
Agree	i think the recommendations are good
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	It is time for renovations at the Complex.
Agree	
Agree	I love it, it'll encourage residents to get active and keep the kids busy.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Good but consider disc golf course.
Agree	
Strongly Agree	I really like the new fitness center
Strongly Agree	i think we need new equipment.
Strongly Agree	I stongly agree because there is no warm up areas when other teams are there playing.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Glad there will be renovations.
Strongly Agree	York is long overdue for these types of changes. This is GREAT!
Strongly Agree	Yes I agree with this because it gives kids more opportunities instead of spending money on places
Strongly Agree	More bathrooms
Strongly Agree	we need a community pool
Strongly Agree	Improve and recreate
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	needs big improvements
Strongly Agree	Just need to work on landscaping to keep kids safe from long grass or messed up walkways.
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	I think it's a fantastic idea, the complex has needed to be updated. The recreation dept would be able to serve more of the community if they have facilities that are able to accommodate the population increase. Updated facilities attract revenue producing events and tournament directors to want to hold their events in York. It's a win win for local businesses and the city of york.
Strongly Agree	Need more than 3 batting cages due to so many teams being stationed there. What about some pitching mounds also. The one gate is never used unless you're an employee, could some things be staged there? Also, could there be more benches for spectators at the fields and some covering from the elements. Like shade from the sun, there's people with disabilities that cannot be exposed to the sun.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	We would love new playgrounds, especially at City Park. Restrooms would be great.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	This should be a main focus in order to attract more organized sports to York, and is a statement of our City's commitment to it's residents and wellbeing.
Strongly Agree	We need a water park and bike park.

## APPENDIX D - PARKS PUBLIC SURVEY #2 RESULTS



### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Jefferson Field proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
10.78%	14.71%	28.43%	27.45%	18.63%	102	3.28

Answered 102  
Skipped 2

Do you agree with the Jefferson Field proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Jefferson Field proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	things on the list is unnessecary. except football
Strongly Disagree	good
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	No more softball or baseball fields should be added there are enough already, instead the soccer fields should be improved.
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	Turf field
Strongly Disagree	cause it needs it
Strongly Disagree	We need to insure we are doing more to provide opportunities for those communities that have been historically underserved. It's also important to make sure programs are available and funded at these newly improved facilities.
Strongly Disagree	I disagree with building an additional baseball field. I also do not think the outdoor stage encroaching on the "multi purpose" field is a good addition. This area should be dedicated to soccer only with an addition of a youth sized soccer field. I also think that a "kick wall" would be a good addition. A masonry wall with grass on one side and asphalt on the other that would allow for skill work for lacrosse, soccer or racquet sports.
Strongly Disagree	These should just be two soccer fields if possible or lighted basketball courts. We don't have any of those in York and we already have 4 baseball fields at the York Rec Complex.
Disagree	I think it would be more beneficial to have the soccer/football field take up the space instead of a baseball/softball field. (There are plenty of those already.)
Disagree	The whole field needs to be dedication as a green space for football, soccer, etc... The existing plan shows baseball and football/soccer. Teams would not be able to use this at the same time as the sports would interfere with each other. I like the idea of adding a playground and parking here as that is currently not present.
Disagree	We should just renovate the existing field.
Disagree	no i thank that we do not need to spend all the money on a new park i thank we need to have a pool that any and every one can go to.
Disagree	just put a soccer field
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	i dont like the idea about it
Disagree	We don't need to renovate it, focus on something that were actually gonna use.
Disagree	I don't think the soccer field should have a baseball field on it when we already have so many baseball fields and no other soccer fields.
Disagree	The city of York needs true soccer fields for our youth. We have an abundance of baseball fields at the complex and NO soccer fields anywhere in York. Myself and many other families are forced to drive our kids to Rock Hill and Clover to play a basic sport like soccer. We do not need more baseball, we need to diversify the fields offered and not show such a preference.
Disagree	We do not need a baseball field overlapping the ONLY soccer field in our community.
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Disagree	Bathroom facilities greatly needed due to multi use
Disagree	This should be last on the list we cannot even maintain our existing facilities, and the park is leased. I think this would be better suited to be a nice picnic shelter, fixup the current facilities, add some picnic areas and a dog park area. Something easy to maintain that increases the character and doesn't cost a fortune. We do not need more sports fields that the City won't maintain.
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	put more soccer fields we already have enough baseball/ softball fields
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	take the baseball field away from it
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	I like that the multi-purpose field is going to be renovated but I dont think there is enough room for the baseball field I just dont think its safe
Neutral	I liked that you added basket ball courts but i didn't like the playground
Neutral	I don't think we should add a baseball field because it is a hazard to soccer players. We could however add a volleyball court either sand or concrete.
Neutral	Jefferson field had a baseball and softball field and a soccer/football field but the fields were so close so there could be some type of conflict of the multiple sports so maybe there just needs to be one field here but then at the places where there is more space add the other fields.
Neutral	add a in door pool
Neutral	do not need a new baseball/softball field
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	never relly been there
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	needs more on the field soccer goals, kepted cleaned up
Neutral	idk where this is
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	

Do you agree with the Jefferson Field proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Jefferson Field proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Neutral	Never been there
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	I did not know this field existed
Neutral	
Neutral	
Agree	Don't need a baseball field because we already have lots of them.
Agree	They are nice
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I agree but DON'T put another baseball field there. That should be soccer/football fields. The Complex already has 4 baseball/softball fields.
Agree	I like the renovation s taking place
Agree	I think the jefferson field is a great proposal because its expanding multiple sports.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	no feedback
Agree	i think they should add more stuff to it .
Agree	terf field so you dont have to cut grass bathroom
Agree	
Agree	Take care of field
Agree	
Agree	This should be the priority. Soccer fields/football fields are what we mainly need in York. We already have tons of places for kids to play baseball but if kids want to play soccer or football they are very limited right now.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Do you have public rest rooms?
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	The outfields and grassy areas have a few clumps of grass which make it more difficult to play on.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	The only thing that i don't agree with is the baseball/softball field we have enough of them make into like little play ground so if they parents or older siblings want to play basketball they will still have good view of their younger siblings/kids
Strongly Agree	we need more football and soccer fields we have to many baseball fields that our football players cant get any better or just have fun with the sport the teenagers would have a place to play football with friends or any other sport possibly making this turf and other fields like that
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Yes I agree with this because kids around my age 13-18 want to have somewhere to throw the football around and tings.
Strongly Agree	i think we need a bigger parking lot
Strongly Agree	we need putt putt
Strongly Agree	More bathrooms and cut the grass more
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Outdoor stage and restrooms is very much needed.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	1 soccer field within the entire park system is not enough but I like the setup of Jefferson.
Strongly Agree	Jefferson Field proposals are brilliant and should be implemented to the fullest extent possible
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	

## APPENDIX D - PARKS PUBLIC SURVEY #2 RESULTS



### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Lincoln Park proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
7.00% 7	5.00% 5	26.00% 26	43.00% 43	19.00% 19	100	3.62
Answered						100
Skipped						4

Do you agree with the Lincoln Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Lincoln Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	bathroom
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	cause it needs it
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	This is a sweet playground park. Plant some legacy trees asap, and call it good for now!
Disagree	I liked that you added a football space but not good that the baseball field is right behind it a kid could get hit with a baseball while playing football
Disagree	You should just make it overall nicer
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Neutral	
Neutral	i dont like it
Neutral	i dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	I feel like the recommendations are fine for Lincoln Park.
Neutral	It's ok
Neutral	
Neutral	The new additions would be nice to see.
Neutral	a bigger playground for the kids
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	
Neutral	never be
Neutral	idk where this is
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	make places for teenagers to do also
Neutral	keep the spinny chair
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Agree	Fix parks close to residential neighborhoods for families to walk and play in.
Agree	make the park more presentable to the people make it look good
Agree	i do like this
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	It needs a fence between softball field and soccer field.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	no feedback
Agree	completely agree we the people in your need a place that isn't all about sports but some where to just play or walk with you kids/family
Agree	i think that the should have better basketball goals.
Agree	need to add a sona over the playground
Agree	

Do you agree with the Lincoln Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Lincoln Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	need a new basketball court
Agree	this is a good idea
Agree	
Agree	I would like to see more landscaping to provide shaded areas. This location is often brutally hot and the playground equipment gets too hot to use on sunny summer days.
Agree	It's a fun park.
Agree	needs better basket ball hoops a cover over the court so if raining u can still play
Agree	
Agree	i believe it would look great
Agree	
Agree	Make the park bigger
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	What shape is the play equipment at the park. I love the upgrades mentioned.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I would like to see the tennis court included in the renovations.
Agree	
Agree	Consider resurface tennis court and provide fencing all around
Agree	
Agree	I think a gravel walking trail or loop is stupid, it should be paved to decrease maintenance costs and total cost of ownership. A walking loop is nice but not needed. Instead of fixing the basketball court make it a double tennis court that a tennis league might want to host matches at. We do not need a basketball court at ever park especially basketball courts that won't be maintained.
Agree	
Agree	
Strongly Agree	great!
Strongly Agree	An improved playground would bring many more users to Lincoln Park.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	I like the things that are going to be renovated and added
Strongly Agree	This park needs many upgrades.
Strongly Agree	The courts there are terrible. The basketball goals are not regulation, and the cement is broken.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Gives kids around that area an place to have fun
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	we need better grills to cookout
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	We need renovated playgrounds. This plan would be a nice addition to York.
Strongly Agree	Playground needs a revamp. Equipment is hard to use.
Strongly Agree	

## APPENDIX D - PARKS PUBLIC SURVEY #2 RESULTS



### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Optimist Field proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
10.00% 10	9.00% 9	37.00% 37	28.00% 28	16.00% 16	100	3.31
Answered						100
Skipped						4

Do you agree with the Optimist Field proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Optimist Field proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	field should be used for both softball and baseball bathroom water station
Strongly Disagree	i hate the idea
Strongly Disagree	Turf
Strongly Disagree	cause it needs it
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	This area would be better served by a new basketball complex with lighting or more tennis courts.
Strongly Disagree	The city of York needs true soccer fields for our youth. We have an abundance of baseball fields at the complex and NO soccer fields anywhere in York. Myself and many other families are forced to drive our kids to Rock Hill and Clover to play a basic sport like soccer. We do not need more baseball, we need to diversify the fields offered and not show such a preference.
Strongly Disagree	We again do not need ANOTHER baseball field! Please consider making this into a lighted basketball park. Our kids need MORE access to sports they can play as pick up without expensive equipment. Soccer and basketball only require a ball and a place to play. These should be our focus.
Disagree	I don't like how these fields are either going to baseball or trails, I want more variety of stuff like soccer fields or paintball just something interesting.
Disagree	a lot of unused space would like to have a pool
Disagree	Expand the current rec center.
Disagree	Put new basketball courts
Disagree	add a indoor basketball court
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Disagree	Again with the gravel walking trail really? I would also think a couple multipurpose fields and a playground would be nice for a central recreation center in downtown. We do not need a lone baseball field that will fall into disrepair and be underutilized. I am disappointed that this is what the City is coming up with it is an uninspired view of what the City could offer to the Children and Families.
Neutral	
Neutral	While renovating the current baseball/softball field could be beneficial. I believe that a football field or indoor basketball court could also be useful.
Neutral	
Neutral	dont really like it
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	adding a in door pool
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	
Neutral	never been
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	i didnt know this existed
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	Add bathroom please
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	maybe add a small playground
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	

Do you agree with the Optimist Field proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Optimist Field proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Neutral	
Neutral	Make it user friendly!
Neutral	
Agree	Updating the indoor gym of a variety of sports ie basketball, volleyball would be a better use of money than building a new facility
Agree	Good, but don't need any more baseball fields.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this park
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	good idea
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Would consider also FB or two small soccer fields for multipurpose.
Strongly Agree	these changes are very good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	yes because I like to play baseball and that could be a good place for me to practice
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	we need a community ice skating rink
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	We need soccer fields.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Need a bike park.

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### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the McCelvey Field proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
15.84% 16	10.89% 11	32.67% 33	26.73% 27	13.86% 14	101	3.12
Answered						101
Skipped						3

Do you agree with the McCelvey Field proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the McCelvey Field proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	County property should be upgraded by the county not the city!
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	nobody plays back there we need a indoor football place
Strongly Disagree	Turf
Strongly Disagree	cause we need it
Strongly Disagree	I love that all the parks are being renovated and improved. It does seem like we are only proposing to add things to parks to mirror what's already available throughout the city. Recreation Departments in other counties and cities in SC are adding in non traditional sporting facilities that are more inclusive to those with disabilities. In Horry County they created an archery park that has been extremely successful. Charleston has added archery to their summer camp program and its waitlisted for every session throughout the summer. Archery is one of the most inclusive sports. Adaptive archery provides opportunities for those with disabilities to compete on teams with able bodied team mates. Archery is also a sport that participants don't age out of. Archers in my experience are a diverse group of folks and support it's growth. Archery has also become a NCAA sport and participants are now earning scholarships to participate on teams in college. I haven't been to McCelvey Field in years, but from what I remember I think it would be a fantastic location for an archery range.
Strongly Disagree	This area is perfect for a soccer field. We have more than enough baseball fields and no youth soccer fields.
Strongly Disagree	Why are we building another baseball field? I would like to see this area dedicated to youth soccer.
Strongly Disagree	The city of York needs true soccer fields for our youth. We have an abundance of baseball fields at the complex and NO soccer fields anywhere in York. Myself and many other families are forced to drive our kids to Rock Hill and Clover to play a basic sport like soccer. We do not need more baseball, we need to diversify the fields offered and not show such a preference.
Strongly Disagree	Is this field ever used? Resources should be allocated based upon need.
Strongly Disagree	I think this space would work better as a basketball field with lighting.
Strongly Disagree	We do not need an 8th baseball field. PLEASE reconsider and make these 3 youth soccer fields. We have NO access to soccer here in York through our rec and we all have to go to RH or Clover. It is a shame!
Strongly Disagree	Again with another high maintenance baseball field... Turn it into a multipurpose area with multiple smaller fields and a small playground area so we can have pee wee soccer or flag football teams play. Why so much baseball and not thought for younger kids / younger family sports. Disappointed!!!
Disagree	DON'T need baseball field could use a Soccer/Football field and maybe Tennis.
Disagree	I want more variety of things to do besides baseball or trails maybe pay attention to the basketball courts or how about this make a soccer field or try a pool.
Disagree	we need a volleyball space and pool there is no point in spending money on more baseball fields and playgrounds when we already have them some parks can have baseball and football, others could have volleyball basketball and a pool. Also you need to the word out more we only knew where one out of nine parks were
Disagree	Make this into a football/soccer field
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	
Disagree	This should be a soccer/football field. Don't need yet another baseball field.
Disagree	If I had to pick a prime location for a soccer complex, this would be my suggestion.
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Neutral	
Neutral	I am neutral in this case because both the proposed plan, and a different one could be beneficial for our community.
Neutral	
Neutral	The changes look fine
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	skate park
Neutral	no feedback
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	

Do you agree with the McCelvey Field proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the McCelvey Field proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	neer been
Neutral	bathroom
Neutral	idk where this is
Neutral	dont really know the park
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never been there
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	Did not know this field existed
Neutral	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this park
Agree	Needs more update on the actual field.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	It'd be nice to add more than baseball fields. Is there room for a soccer field?
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	More bathrooms that are clean
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Restrooms provided? Also multi use soccer field
Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	The entrance needs to be more visible from the road.
Strongly Agree	The outfield also has clumps of grass, the dugouts are rough looking and the infield needs different dirt.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Yes it will take kids off of technology and more on nature
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	we need a theme park with bouncy houses and roller coasters
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Much needed renovations.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	

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### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the New Street Park proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
8.08%	9.09%	29.29%	36.36%	17.17%	99	3.45
8	9	29	36	17		
						Answered 99
						Skipped 5

Do you agree with the New Street Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the New Street Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	no there should leave it alone to many baseball in york
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	Nothing there but a gazebo
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	rebuild court
Strongly Disagree	cause we need it
Strongly Disagree	This park is on York Housing Authority property, and the proposed expansions will bring the courts & playground right up to the apartments.
Strongly Disagree	
Disagree	
Disagree	I believe that an indoor basketball court would be used much more than two outdoor one.
Disagree	Just improve the park
Disagree	i thank we need to add more indoor basketball cort
Disagree	there are people who live right across from that basketball court so how are y'all supposed to make parking lots of new street isn't but so big?
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Neutral	
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	soccer field
Neutral	add bathrooms
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	no one knew it was there
Neutral	neer been
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	i dont know the park
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never been there
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	This could be a good area to build a wall to play a ball off of. (Lacrosse, soccer, racquet sports, etc.)
Neutral	Of course these things are needed, but . . . let's concentrate on Jefferson Field and other priorities. Maybe do some low cost things and empty the trash can every now and again!
Agree	
Agree	it is a really good change

Do you agree with the New Street Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the New Street Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this park
Agree	I like the changes being made
Agree	yes because theyre updating basketball.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	agree
Agree	
Agree	yes.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Cleaner area
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Lighting for basketball?
Agree	
Strongly Agree	great area also will basketballs be provided.
Strongly Agree	More basketball courts are good.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Yes because a lot of my friends go there to play basket ball and have challenges.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	I think this would make the area more attractive and utilize the space and bring up the area with the new facilities, but with this we really don't need basketball courts at other facilities. Why not keep the parks sports specific?

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### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Magnolia Street Park proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
7.07%	10.10%	33.33%	33.33%	16.16%	99	3.41
7	10	33	33	16		
						Answered 99
						Skipped 5

Do you agree with the Magnolia Street Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Magnolia Street Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	to many parks in york
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	chop down the trees
Strongly Disagree	cause it needs it
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	Get rid of the basketball court it is not needed and it's deep in the woods out view perfect crime spot or hangout area. The road into the park needs to be paved and not left gravel. So that it looks like an acutal park and not a private area and also it needs increased lighting. Lighting is not mentioned on any of these plans. Every park needs increased lighting to help deter crime and increase safety.
Disagree	
Disagree	this doesn't really strike well with me
Disagree	We need something new, we got land available so make a nice restaurant or soccer field, or even a go kart track.
Disagree	why do we need another outdoor stage, we need a pool
Disagree	
Disagree	
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	The park is mainly in the woods, why try to improve it?
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	its alright but the location may have some veer not to go.
Neutral	
Neutral	This park would seem to be a tough place for the police to keep an eye on. In my experience, city parks that are out of the way become hotspots for drug activity.
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	in door basketball court
Neutral	add bathrooms
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	never been
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	i dont know the park
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never been there
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	This park needs to be monitored by YPD.
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	This is a beautiful space. Please don't cut down any of the old growth trees.

Do you agree with the Magnolia Street Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Magnolia Street Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	The new playground could be a great addition. I think it would also be good to maintain the green space next to it, or make the basketball court indoor.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this park
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	better basketball goals
Agree	agree
Agree	basketball courts should be covered from the sun and rain
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	It would be nice to see a full court basketball complex with lighting somewhere in the city.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Also lights fir Basketball
Agree	
Agree	
Strongly Agree	great area
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Yes because it would bring more people around there because I never knew there was something behind there
Strongly Agree	i pass by here daily
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Would love to see this as a usable space
Strongly Agree	

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### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Wooded Valley Park proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
10.10% 10	7.07% 7	26.26% 26	40.40% 40	16.16% 16	99	3.45
Answered						99
Skipped						5

Do you agree with the Wooded Valley Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Wooded Valley Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	its ok
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no one wants to play basketball in the woods
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	it will get run down just like the neighborhood
Strongly Disagree	Make it a new location, not very safe for kids
Strongly Disagree	cause we need it
Strongly Disagree	
Disagree	
Disagree	
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	theres not much to do needs more for the kids to play on theres only swings and a seasaw
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Disagree	Get rid of the open lawn area towards the back and improve the current lawn areas between the playground and parkign area and add grills and picnic table for families to enjoy. Make the maintenance easier by not creating a larger lawn. I also think that highering out the park lawn care is not smart. The city should have seasonal employees as they can perform other tasks or improvements throughout the City when they are done mowing and caring for the recreation areas.
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	
Neutral	Ok i guess
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	big bike trail
Neutral	i thank we need indoor pool for every one to use 24/7
Neutral	
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	never been
Neutral	
Neutral	idk where this is
Neutral	not the best place to take your kids
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Agree	I think that would be a great improvement.
Agree	i like this park
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this park
Agree	

Do you agree with the Wooded Valley Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Wooded Valley Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Closer together
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	agree
Agree	bathrooms
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	i like the idea
Agree	Make it bigger and keep it cleaner
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Multi purpose field is needed for the community.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Strongly Agree	great for playdates
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Yes personally my dad lives in the valley and as i'm over there it's a lot of kids there that like to be outdoors
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Do this park right and make the neighborhood proud!
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	

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### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Moore Park proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
10.00% 10	8.00% 8	29.00% 29	37.00% 37	16.00% 16	100	3.41
Answered						100
Skipped						4

Do you agree with the Moore Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Moore Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	just tear it down there is no room for anything
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	cause it needs it
Strongly Disagree	This park is pretty but rarely used; I think the improvements suggested would be wasted money
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	Keep the lawn and landscaping attractively maintained and call it good for now. Not a high priority.
Strongly Disagree	This area just needs to be maintained no improvements should be done here, until other areas of the city are completed.
Disagree	Doesn't look like anything was actually added. Maybe put a playground there.
Disagree	need more volley ball space
Disagree	The Moore Park looks fine the way it is but maybe a new welcoming sign could make it noticeable.
Disagree	
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	more things that just to sit bathrooms
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	i don't go here so i have no opinion
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	OK I guess
Neutral	
Neutral	in door pool
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	never been
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	idk where this is
Neutral	dont know the park
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Agree	Maybe add some climbing equipment/playground.
Agree	These would definitely improve Moore Park.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	

Do you agree with the Moore Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Moore Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this park
Agree	
Agree	This park needs more to look at it looks to plain and does not offer much entertainment.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	agree
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Make gazebo big enough for weddings and band stand.
Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	yes my little cousins lives over there and he needs to connect with the outside world
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	A playground would be good here too.
Strongly Agree	

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### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Green Street Park proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
8.16%	8.16%	32.65%	37.76%	13.27%	98	3.4
8	8	32	37	13		
Answered						98
Skipped						6

Do you agree with the Green Street Park proposed recommendations?	Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	no
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	rebuild court
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	Again we do not need a half basketball court, why not have a small skate park here, something other area Cities do not have. With the smaller space this would make more sense than even a playground it would give kids a safespace to rollerblade, bike, skateboard etc...
Disagree	Why would you make the court smaller? Maybe keep the court as a full-court.
Disagree	WE NEED SOMETHING INTERESTING, york is bland with entertainment, we need soccer fields, a nice rec center, add paintball or a go kart track, maybe a mall, stuff that Rock Hill has.
Disagree	
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	i like the way it is now
Disagree	Don't need to change the basketball court keep it as big as it is
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	I think that the new play area would be great. It might be more practical to have the playground right next to the parking lot and the basketball court behind that.
Neutral	
Neutral	i don't go here so i have no opinion
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	football field
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	never been
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	idk where this is
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	never been there
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	Of course these things are needed, but . . . let's concentrate on Jefferson Field and other priorities. Maybe do some low cost things and empty the trash can every now and again!
Agree	good
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	

Do you agree with the Green Street Park proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Green Street Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this park
Agree	yes the trails are a good take.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	agree
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Light the half court
Agree	
Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Yes I agree with there because I go there a lot and I would love to have it renovated
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	

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### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with the Bike Trail proposed recommendations?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
3.03%	10.10%	23.23%	41.41%	22.22%	99	3.7
3	10	23	41	22		
Answered						99
Skipped						5

Do you agree with the Bike Trail proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Bike Trail proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Skip	add bathrooms
Skip	make it longer and make it connect
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	We need to extend the bike trail to Alexander love Highway or farther.
Disagree	
Disagree	I think it should be longer
Disagree	Make the bike trail longer
Disagree	i think we could add a pond on the bike/ walking trail that leads up to a pond
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	longer trail and resting station
Disagree	
Disagree	Extending the bike trail would be a better use of money. When the trail is so short, stopping places are really not needed
Disagree	Where is the money coming from?
Disagree	Why would you not combine the pull off rest areas with the fitness stations and reduce the care needed and areas for trash accumulation. It really looks like someone just threw crap on paper to see what would stick and very little thought went into future care and maintenance given the current run down state of the Cities parks.
Neutral	
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	bike
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	i don't ride a bike so its OK
Neutral	The bike trail needs to be longer because if people are going to go biking for their activity it needs to take up more time.
Neutral	They should extend the bike trail rather than add to it, or add an entire new bike trail.
Neutral	It'd be nice if this were extended all throughout the City. When I worked in Fletcher, NC, their park had walking trails for days. I would go on my lunch breaks. It was scenic and I never felt uncomfortable. Safety could be improved here as well. I've heard some stories therefore have not traveled the bike trail. It looks nice and like a great idea.
Neutral	a bigger bike trail
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	i dont ride a bike
Neutral	
Neutral	It would be nice to have a loop bike trail and not just one that goes out and back. I have been on this a few times with my kids and it doesn't appear to get much use at all.
Neutral	
Neutral	It would be great to extend the bike trail to connect the Cooperative Way complex to downtown. Not only will this help make our city more accessible for those without vehicles, the extended length of the trail will mail it more appealing for visitors to ride and our community to stay active.
Neutral	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I like the proposed recommendations for this bike trail
Agree	I like how they are adding stuff to the trail to make things easier.
Agree	It should be extended or offer more activites along the way.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I think the bike trail should be longer but I like how the city is planning to add more signs.
Agree	Last time I've been on it, it was very uneven.
Agree	actually i quite like this one, but maybe try adding a longer trail, one mile can get boring after a while
Agree	believe this is a great idea
Agree	

Do you agree with the Bike Trail proposed recommendations?	Please provide your feedback on the Bike Trail proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	don't have any
Agree	they need to fix it up
Agree	agree
Agree	
Agree	The trail needs to be expanded. The distance is quite short. I thought that the original plan included most of the former railways in the city. From the splash park it went beside the coffee shop, crossing Blackburn St behind Republic Textiles and ran down beside Charlotte St, over to Private St and around connecting back to the fields on Ross Cannon St. The other end crossed 4th St and down the railway to Alexander Love Bypass.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I think it's nice that people enjoying biking, but you should make the the trail a little bit longer.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Water refill stations would be a great addition.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Expand along select City streets
Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	great trail used it before it is a nice spot.
Strongly Agree	I think the bike trail would be much better and more used with the proposed improvements.
Strongly Agree	i would love more room for riding
Strongly Agree	I know lots of people who dislike the very little 1 trail way we have in york and this allows a lot of stops and views.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	i love the bike trail except i saw convict clothes a year or two back and decided not to walk it that day
Strongly Agree	its a really great idea
Strongly Agree	we need more trails, theres no point in riding a 5minute trail
Strongly Agree	it needs to be longer with hill climbs and rock trails and seperate trails that connect
Strongly Agree	it needs to be longer. we need a forwheeler trail too.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	I also think the bike trail should be connected to the upcoming Cooperative Way complex to increase accessibility to the city for those living in the areas between downtown and Cooperative Way.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Keep it simple! We don't need new everything.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	We really need this but also a bike park like Lowell NC bike park . Not just a trail but it is like a skate park . Up down and around.

## APPENDIX D - PARKS PUBLIC SURVEY #2 RESULTS



### York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

#### Do you agree with proposed recommendation of supporting Phase II improvements at City Park?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average
6.86%	3.92%	23.53%	38.24%	27.45%	102	3.75
7	4	24	39	28		
Answered						102
Skipped						2

Do you agree with proposed recommendation of supporting Phase II improvements at City Park?	Please provide your feedback on City Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Skip	
Skip	
Strongly Disagree	we dont need more outdoor stages and baseball fields we need a paintball space, volleyball space, and pool
Strongly Disagree	BATHROOMS SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN PHASE ONE
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	
Strongly Disagree	Need an additional or larger water play area.
Strongly Disagree	Where is the money coming from to pay for services?
Disagree	no we just need new things around york
Disagree	
Disagree	If you're referring to all the changes above, no because we need soccer fields versus baseball fields in york.
Disagree	I think the City should increase seating areas and add sunshades so that the splash pad can be full utilized. Additionally, they should add changing room areas and outdoor shower or rinse areas for feet. I think the focus should be bringing up the Recreation center area with the playground and seating area instead of putting more focus on an already nice new park. Instead of adding more new stuff to a new park because we can't maintain the rest of our facilities and parks, lets add new stuff to old run down parks and complete some of the other items in this masterplan.
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	I dont go outside often and if i do it would be yard work so it dont matter to me
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	idk
Neutral	never heard of
Neutral	I think we should put a pool in at this park.
Neutral	big football field
Neutral	
Neutral	Believe they should put more than the little splash pad maybe add a community pool.
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	don't have any
Neutral	
Neutral	i dont understand
Neutral	
Neutral	
Neutral	A restroom is essential here. Everything else can wait. Maintenance, maintenance, maintenance
Neutral	
Agree	
Agree	these are well needed
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	I think the restrooms should have been added in the first phase
Agree	We need bathrooms! BAD
Agree	Bathrooms should be a bigger priority.
Agree	There 100% needs to be bathrooms at public parks. Especially the parks that are for little kids like City Park with their splash pad.
Agree	Dog park should have something for the dogs to interact with like a big tube to walk through and a hose
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	in door basketball court or a pool
Agree	agree
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	bathrooms
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	

Do you agree with proposed recommendation of supporting Phase II improvements at City Park?	Please provide your feedback on City Park proposed recommendations.
Response	Open-Ended Response
Agree	
Agree	I think that we should add build a pool or water park, because both would bring people to York, and would also offer the opportunity to offer swimming lessons.
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Add water bottle refill stations.
Agree	
Agree	Please provide more shaded shelter
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	
Agree	Definitely needs some other features/ equipment such as swings, slides, etc and a restroom
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	Will be better for the community and economic structure.
Strongly Agree	I believe that our parks should be improved. I think that they could be great places in our community. I do not think that we need any new baseball or softball fields. I believe that a pool, skate park, indoor basketball court, or soccer/football fields would be much more appreciated.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	I must definitely agree because theyre all things that has been missed and now revisiting to fix.
Strongly Agree	Restrooms are severely needed especially when the park is targeted more for younger kids.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	There is hardly any restrooms to go to and the current ones are mostly nasty.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	I look forward to seeing this complete and taking my kids! I like walking in downtown York when I get a chance so this will be a great addition to the area. Hoping this also helps the downtown area.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	If I have ever have kids I would want them to grow up in a fun city
Strongly Agree	Phase two sounds like a evil plan name but sure
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	please add a restroom
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	We need bathrooms here ASAP!
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	its good
Strongly Agree	Eagerly awaiting playground equipment at this park
Strongly Agree	I think City Park is a step in the right direction. It could be a great resource for families and children. Unfortunately I think it is cruel to offer this facility but not offer a public restroom. If funds are not available a temporary solution should be put in place. Having a child of my own I have real world experience of how difficult it is to bring your young child somewhere where a public restroom is not available when it is needed. How can a family with multiple children use this area without access to facilities. How could you host a birthday party there? The lack of restrooms is a real problem.
Strongly Agree	
Strongly Agree	We cannot have a water park without a bathroom. This needs to happen ASAP!
Strongly Agree	Restrooms and playground needed!
Strongly Agree	

## APPENDIX D – PARKS PUBLIC SURVEY #2 RESULTS



York Parks Master Plan Online Survey

Do you agree with future park facilities proposed recommendations?

	Strongly Disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly Agree		Total	Weighted Average
New Recreation Center	11.88%	12	5.94%	6	21.78%	22	36.63%	37	23.76%	24	101	3.54
New Sport Complex with Multi-Use Fields and Walking Loop	12.00%	12	8.00%	8	15.00%	15	36.00%	36	29.00%	29	100	3.62
New Community Park (10-20 acres for passive recreation including play areas, community event space, family/friend gathering areas)	7.84%	8	3.92%	4	10.78%	11	39.22%	40	38.24%	39	102	3.96
	13.59%	14	9.71%	10	22.33%	23	20.39%	21	33.98%	35	103	3.51
New Dog Park (5-10 acres)												
2 miles of Paved Greenway/Multi-Use Trail in a Nature Based Setting	9.80%	10	5.88%	6	14.71%	15	31.37%	32	38.24%	39	102	3.82
											Answered	103
											Skipped	1

Please provide your feedback on the future park facilities proposed recommendations.

Open-Ended Response

More long distance walking space and/or biking space would be welcome and well used. Since we already have so many ball parks, I would rather see the city's money focused on this first
skate park
York needs to invest in having a community pool and volleyball courts. We already have plenty of baseball/softball fields and do not need to expand this area. We need to invest in other sports. We also need parks map because many do not know of even half of these parks in York and calling some parks is a stretch.
hockey rink and skate park
yes that would be good for york to be honest
a dog park will just take up room that isn't needed
Kids have enough to do around our city. Nobody is barely gonna use these parks or their only gonna use it once. York should focus on us teens because their is a lot of us. We have literally nothing fun to do and it's boring. You clearly have the money to actually focus on us unlike you're doing.
Add an Archery Park. I am a USA Archery Certified Level 2 Instructor and I grew up in York. I currently teach and coach archery. The sport is growing exponentially, in fact Greenville SC had the largest increase in archery programs over the last year than any other city in the country. York would be an awesome city to build on that success and give those programs and it's participants some friendly competition.
The sky is not the limit here . . . let's be realistic. However it is nice to have a vision for the future. Let the city demonstrate adequate maintenance for what we already have before launching into new projects
I think the City should utilize the tax payers money wisely and upgrade and maintain the current City facilities before adding any new facilities. I am disappointed in how every plan is pretty much basketball and baseball, no thought was given to soccer, football, volleyball, tennis or other sports that could attract multiple leagues and also have fields that require less maintenance. I am also disappointed that we have not included a potential skate board, bike, or roller blading area and that the trails will be gravel instead of paved making it difficult for children to ride bikes or scooters while parents walk. Additionally, why would we want to add more to stuff to City park when really it needs facilities to support the main attraction and it has a lawn area where people can layout it's like a City beach area add shade and seating don't go crazy spend money on other areas of the City.
I think York's greatest need is a swimming pool-aquatic center. We don't need more baseball fields! Some of these parks I'd never heard of.
I would really like a water park or community pool for the summers its so hot recently and thank you for listening
we need other things besides baseball fields and play grounds like a pool, volleyball space, and paint ball space.
More 1 trail longer walkways
We have no tax base in York other than the homeowners to pay for these services. The city "leaders" must go out and recruit industry instead of putting it on the backs of the home owners!
I'm Neutral i don't care what happens because i barely go outside because i don't like the sun. its too hot
they was ok i like the batting cages and ever thing else was ok but did not care for the dog park bc they mad one a coplp years back and not a lot of peoply uesd it
we need trampoline parks
they cool
There needs to be different sports fields to play on.
the only thing is at the greenway there should be some kind of activity there so if there's a gathering the kids have something to do other than bothering the adults the whole time.
i dont thank we need a dog park we could put a pool there
i feel like we should have more places for older kids and some where that cheerleaters can practic there stumts and not get ingerd
i think york could really use a pool or skate park for us older kids
some i think is a great idea but some i dont like the idea
I think a dog park is kinda useless, because it's just a waste of space, when people could easily just walk their dogs in their backyards, or other parks.
Make places for the teens also and put some public pools bring some type theme park or fair to york make a mall please and thank you
I probably will never use any of these facilities but in case my family makes me go add a bathroom, and shade because im ginger and i burn easily
Do more to help the community
I would like to see the paved greenway/multi-use space longer.
I think these would be great additions to York. (Just not any more baseball fields.)
I think that we need a skate park or a paint ball field
i think we should also have a pool
I think these are all pretty great ideas but we do not need more baseball and softball fields. We need multi-use fields and indoor basketball gyms. We have enough baseball and softball fields.

Please provide your feedback on the future park facilities proposed recommendations.

## Open-Ended Response

I want soccer fields, we need go kart tracks, paintball, and other things such as nice restaurants, we got so much space that needs to be used and so many run down places that should be torn down to be built into nice new places. We need what Rock Hill has.

Most people like to play sports other than softball. Improving basketball nets and backboards and repaving them would be something most people would agree on. The bathrooms should be a bigger priority than they currently are because there are hardly any and the ones we do have are not very nice. A city pool would also be nice because most other cities have one and it would be a nice addition. Indoor basketball courts should also be added as well as a skate park since most teenagers are into that. More softball fields shouldnt be added instead the ones that are there should be improved.

Since the only indoor court is at the Rec center, consider putting aside money to raise the ceiling in the YMCA, so they can add a full court in there. We don't have a single true indoor basketball court.

We need a skate park

your ideas are good, but there isn't a lot of stuff for teens to do in York. these suggestions are for little kids and i get that because mainly kids go to parks, but we don't need more tennis fields, we need indoor basketball courts and pools.

we need alot done

no dog park

I believe we should build historical European martial arts (HEMA) clubs to revive the practice and sport of Medieval European fencing, sparring, jousting and hand to hand fighting techniques, and to reintroduce/repopulate them.

we need a rock climbing park

We really don't need a dog park because most people don't take their dogs outside anymore

A stake park would be nice!

I like the proposed additions. I just wonder why a dog park would need so much space. 10 acres sounds like too much space.

As a parent in York, I have to drive to Rock Hill for soccer games and it would be nice to have fields in town.

Consider going in with County with park in valley behind government center connecting with Existing Rec Center

great

you should make horse trails theirs is plenty of people in York that love to ride but don't want to drive 30 to 40 minutes to do so.

i feel like there should be a skate park for the people who skate because there are signs that say no skating but they have no were to skate

I agree with the proposed recommendations

One thing they should look into is a volleyball court whether that be grass,sand, or inside, but york has none and isnt planning to add any with this 2nd phase. Also the fields need better landscaping and upkeep when not in use and when in use just because theyre there doesnt mean we shouldnt keep them up. Or forget about them.

More walking trails please!

we need a pool and a trampoline park and a skatepark

Please be sure that there is a plan for maintenance for the new parks as well as the upgraded existing ones. Not only are the current ones outdated but they've been poorly maintained and become dilapidated.

City Moral should go up if the plan goes correctly

we need pools. more trails. a theme park where kids can go and have fun and eat funnel cakes.

its good

Renovating and updating the parks are a great idea. However, it is alarming at how many softball/baseball fields you can find in York (8) but our kids have no where to go to kick a ball around with friends or even for a soccer team to practice. This is why all of our kids go to Rock Hill or Clover to play soccer. It's because they have the facilities and York does not. It would be nice to include a couple more field options with actual goals for our community to use. I have coached at the high school for 10 years now and this has been the biggest complaint I have heard from both players and parents. I do not see a need to have 8 diamonds in the community when we will only have one place (a multi-use field) where soccer can be played. Just my two cents.

I am pleased to see investment and planning in our Parks. I am very pleased to see all the proposed playgrounds. Unfortunately I think this plan highlights the fact that York fall short on providing reasonable access to soccer. Soccer is an inexpensive, safe and accessible sport for children but the city does not provide facilities for it. 8 baseball fields are proposed in this plan and only one mixed use field that could be for soccer. Our P&R department relies on the YMCA to provide a youth soccer program for York. They play on the front lawn of the filtrate plant. This is not sustainable. The area is infested with fire ants and someday Filtrate may decide not to let us use the space. We bring our child to Clover to play and we know lot's of our contemporaries who go to Rock Hill and Charlotte. I coach soccer at the High School and it is obvious our youth program is not feeding the high school program. I think two full sized soccer fields and 2-4 youth sized soccer fields should be a part of our plan. A strong youth soccer program run by York P&R would satisfy a need for families who live here and probably help attract young families to move here. I also would like to see power points and wi-fi available at some of our parks. I think in this post-covid world where remote work is more common it would help parents to be able to bring their child to practice, plug in their laptop and log onto public wifi. I also think this could be a resource for children who many not have internet access at home. My name is Quinn Witte and I would be happy to contribute further - 704-299-0823.

These plans are amazing! York is really in need of more usable park space. I know the parents in the historic district would love a playground within walking distance.