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1. Introduction

1.1. General Benefits of Parks and Recreation

Parks play an important role in any community. They serve as places to gather, relax, compete, play, stroll, and learn. Research shows that contact with the natural world improves physical and psychological health. Additionally, physical exercise has been proven to increase health and to reduce the risk of diseases. Physical activity also relieves anxiety, improves mood, and enhances psychological well-being.

Evidence indicates when people have access to parks, they exercise more; therefore, without accessible parks and open space, people are less likely to exercise regularly. **City, suburb, and county residents all should be provided park space close-to-home.** As baby boomers grow into retirement years and the life expectancy of all generations continues to increase, the requirement for parks and recreation space that meets the needs of seniors will increase. The preservation of natural areas will become more and more important as development continues to sprawl throughout the countryside.

According to the Tennessee Department of Health, Tennessee ranks forty-fourth among the fifty states in overall health, as reported by America’s Health Rankings. According to the Population Health Institute, Cocke County ranks eighty-ninth among Tennessee’s ninety-five counties for health factors. With these statistics in mind, planning for parks and recreation can be particularly important to promoting healthy lifestyles in Cocke County.

“Just as water, sewer, and public safety are considered essential public services, parks are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in a community, ensuring the health of families and youth, and contributing to economic and environmental well-being of a community and region.

“There are no communities that pride themselves on their quality of life, promote themselves as a desirable location for businesses to relocate, or maintain that they are environmental stewards of their natural resources, without such communities having a robust, active system of parks and recreation programs for public use and enjoyment.”

*National Recreation and Park Association,
Why Parks and Recreation are Essential Public Services*



Trail Crossing Cosby Creek in Cocke County

1.2. Plan Origin and Planning Process

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) is the state agency responsible for promoting state and local partnerships to deliver parks and recreation opportunities across Tennessee. It is also the lead state agency for implementing the goals of *Tennessee 2020*, the ten-year plan of Tennessee's parks, people, and landscapes. This plan outlines many initiatives to ensure that all Tennessee citizens have access to nearby park and recreation opportunities that are essential to the well-being of every resident.

The State recognizes that only local parks and recreation departments can deliver critically important opportunities to add recreation into the daily life of residents where it is most needed. However, local providers are continually challenged to keep pace with the growing demand, especially in communities located in Tennessee's most economically distressed counties.

With this dilemma in mind, the State created a new funding opportunity in 2017 for communities that are in distressed counties, and those cities and counties that have participated in TDEC's Tennessee Recreation Initiative Program (TRIP) to receive Parks Master Planning Grants. The funding was made available to cities, counties, City/County partnerships, and multi-county partnerships. Newport successfully applied for the grant on behalf of the City itself and Cocke County as a whole. Both Newport and Cocke County provided their portion of the twenty percent match to fund a \$60,000 master planning project. Concurrently, during the summer of 2017, TDEC issued a Request for Qualifications for Park Master Plan Consulting Services. The department prequalified consultants and/or teams of consultants and provided the list to grantees for their selection. Newport selected the team of Community Development Partners, LLC (CDP), Brown Pearman Russell, LLC (BPR), and CRJA-IBI Group to provide professional services during the development and final adoption of the *Cocke County Ten-Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan*.

The planning process began on September 14, 2017, with a kickoff meeting held with County and City officials at Newport City Hall. Over the following months, site visits were conducted to document existing conditions at all the existing park and recreation facilities within Newport and select facilities within Cocke County. The preparation of the master plan utilized an open planning process to gain public input and consensus on the results. Surveys were developed to gather community input on existing facilities and priorities for future improvements and new developments. The surveys were distributed in paper format at various public locations, such as the Cocke County Courthouse and Newport City Hall. They could also be filled out online. The surveys were available in October and November of 2017. In the end, 467 surveys were submitted, and the results were tabulated. Public workshops were held in November and December of 2017 to present the survey results, the information collected on existing parks and recreation facilities in Cocke County, and to gain input on the draft plan. The final plan was approved and adopted by the City of Newport's Board of Mayor and Aldermen during their March meeting.

Between September 2017 and February 2018, the planning team studied existing conditions, analyzed trends and projections, collected public feedback, and developed financial strategies for plan implementation. The following bullets summarize the steps taken by the planning team during this time:

- Collected and evaluated information related to the inventory of existing Cocke County park and recreational facilities
- Collected and evaluated information regarding existing recreational programs and facilities provided by other groups such as public, voluntary and community facilities, including schools
- Identified and evaluated expected life and replacement costs for existing facilities
- Identified and evaluated the adequacy of facility programs and uses, and the potential for expansion

- Collected and evaluated information related to past and projected changes in the county and city’s population and demographics
- Compared existing recreation land and facilities to those offered by similar sized communities across the state and nation. Using these comparisons, prepared a summary of current parks and recreation shortfalls and future needs
- Gathered public input on parks and recreational needs through public opinion surveys, public meetings, and interviews
- Prepared recommendations for refurbishment and expansion of existing facilities, as well as for new facilities and programs
- Prepared recommendations for capital improvements for the short term (1-2 years), mid-term (3-5 years), and long term (6-10 years)

1.3. Parks and Recreation in Cocke County

Cocke County is in eastern Tennessee bordering Haywood and Madison Counties in North Carolina. The U.S. Census Bureau’s 2016 estimated population is 35,256, making it the forty-second most populous county among Tennessee’s ninety-five counties. The county’s total area is 443 square miles. The county contains two incorporated cities – Newport and Parrottsville. Newport is the county seat and contains the county courthouse and the Newport-Cocke County Chamber of Commerce. The city is situated in the Nolichucky basin and is cradled by English Mountain, Green Mountain, and Stone Mountain. The Pigeon River flows right through town before traveling north to empty into the French Broad River. Parrottsville is located along Highway 321 in the rolling foothills of the Smoky Mountains. Other communities located throughout the county include Bybee, Cosby, Del Rio, and Hartford. Both Hartford and Del Rio are located inside the boundary of the Cherokee National Forest. Hartford is located along the Pigeon River, and Del Rio along the French Broad River. Cosby is located at one of the entrances to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Bybee is located near the waters of Douglas Lake and the French Broad River in the northeastern part of the county.

The county contains an abundance of natural assets that draw outdoor enthusiasts. The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is the most visited park in the United States and comprises the southwestern portion of the county.



Great Smoky Mountains National Park

The Cherokee National Forest in the southern half of the county contains over 600 miles of trails¹. The French Broad River flows east-west through the center of the county and joins with the Pigeon River and Nolichucky River, before emptying into Douglas Lake on the northwestern border of the county. The Appalachian Trail runs along the border of Cocke County and Haywood and Madison Counties in North Carolina. These natural assets provide numerous opportunities for hiking, boating, rafting, fishing, camping, horseback riding, and mountain biking for residents and visitors.

In addition to its proximity to numerous trails, water bodies, and campgrounds, the City of Newport manages several community parks and playgrounds including

¹ <https://www.fs.usda.gov/activity/cherokee/recreation/hiking>

Newport City Park, Filbert Street Park, White Oak Park, Pet Milk Park, the Park to Float, Eva Babb Sexton Memorial Park, and the Newport Grammar School Sports Complex. Newport City Park provides amenities that are used by those throughout the city and county including a baseball field, football field, outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts, basketball courts, a volleyball court, playgrounds and pavilions. The Newport Parks and Recreation Department also provides a number of activities at the Newport Community Center which hosts an Olympic-sized indoor pool and provides an event space for local schools, as well as a wellness room with training equipment and indoor racquetball and basketball courts. The Cocke County Recreation Department coordinates the public use of County recreational facilities at the County's elementary schools.

Other recreational amenities located in Newport include the Smoky Mountain Golf and Country Club at which many school championships are played; the Newport Speedway, which provides weekly short-track races; and the Newport Theatre Guild, which fosters artistic expression and provides professional theatre and stage productions involving schools, students, and adults.

Numerous festivals and events held throughout the year showcase music, crafts, old-time demonstrations, beauty pageants, and cooking within the county and region. Some of the most popular events include the Newport Harvest Street Festival, Parrottsville Heritage Days, the On Cosby Festival, Del Rio Days, and the Ramp Festival, held at the Cocke County Fairgrounds and claimed as the oldest running festival in Tennessee.²

1.4 Other Planning Studies Consulted

Several other planning studies have provided guidance and insight during the planning process. The documents used during the development of the Cocke County Regional Ten-Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan include:

- *Tennessee State Wildlife Action Plan*, 2015, Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency
- *Foundation Document Great Smoky Mountains National Park*, October 2016, National Park Service
- *Tennessee State Parks Business and Management Plan*, March 2013, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
- *Tennessee 2020, Vision for Parks, People, and Landscapes, Status Review and Update, 2015 – 2020*, November 2016, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
- *Fiscal Year 2015 Monitoring and Evaluation Annual Report for the Revised Land and Resource Management Plan, Cherokee National Forest*, 2016, U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Southern Region
- *Revised Land and Resource Management Plan Cherokee National Forest*, January 2004, U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Southern Region
- *Appalachian National Scenic Trail, Resource Management Plan*, September 2008, National Park Service
- *Douglas-Nolichucky Tributary Reservoirs Land Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement*, August 2010, Tennessee Valley Authority

² <https://www.newportcockercounty.com/our-community/parks-and-rec/>

2. Executive Summary

The City of Newport and Cocke County are located at the foothills of the Appalachian mountain range in eastern Tennessee, along the border with the state of North Carolina. Public facilities, especially parks and recreation opportunities, are either centrally located or widely dispersed. The City of Newport provides most of the recreation opportunities for the 6,800 or so city residents and the nearby county residents. For the remote areas of Cocke County, the elementary schools provide not only an education, but also the recreation opportunities for these rural communities. Together, the City of Newport, the Cocke County School System, and the Cocke County government provide the resources and manpower to operate and maintain parks, recreation, school playgrounds, and school gyms for the county-wide population of over 35,000 residents.

In 2017, Newport was awarded a Parks and Recreation Master Plan Grant and hired a consulting team to assist Newport and Cocke County with the development of a regional ten-year parks and recreation master plan. Since the summer, the City, the County, and their consulting team have taken a systematic approach to evaluating parks in the city and at county school gymnasiums, and to developing strategies that will ensure their parks and recreation assets continue to play a vital role in the future. The ultimate goal is to create a plan that will guide Newport and Cocke County in prioritizing future needs, improvements to existing facilities and programs, and financing strategies to maintain and improve their park and recreation resources.

An extensive public input process was initiated in the early stages of the plan. As part of this input process, a community-wide survey was undertaken; two public input workshops were conducted to discuss results of the survey and to gather additional input; and interviews were conducted with stakeholders, civic organizations, and the local government staffs. Comparisons to other similarly-sized communities in Tennessee and across the nation were conducted. The information from these steps in the planning process became the basis for a needs assessment to determine existing and future needs at the parks. The assessment included a prioritization of improvements to be made in the short-term, the medium-term, and the long-term within the next ten years. The plan elements were then graphically depicted in draft concept plans for these parks and recreation facilities. These draft concept plans were presented to the public at a draft plan presentation meeting, and participants were asked for their input on the suggested elements of the plans. Once these suggested elements in the draft plans had been confirmed, the consulting team determined probable costs associated with these plan elements. An analysis was made of each government's financial capability to fund the planned improvements, and strategies were developed on how to best utilize existing resources, grant opportunities, and other funding mechanisms. An evaluation was also made of existing programs, organizational structure, and management capabilities. All these elements were examined and culminated in the final recommendations of the plan.

The recommendations of this plan have the overall goal of maintaining and improving parks and recreational facilities within Newport and Cocke County to provide leisure time and active recreation for city and county residents, and to promote tourism and economic development in the region. The recommendations can be grouped into two categories:

Physical Improvements

- All of Newport's parks and recreation facilities and the County School District gymnasiums should become ADA-compliant in the next ten years.
- Upgrades at existing parks to include improvements and amenities requested by the public should be given priority in future funding decisions.

- Splash pads, additional activity space, and expanded multi-use trail facilities have been identified and located on concept plans for development over the next ten years.
- More opportunities for access to waterways have been identified and incorporated into the plan.

Programming, Organizational, and Policy Initiatives

- Management improvements, such as formal joint-use agreements and achieving benchmarking certification, could enhance the City of Newport's and the Cocke County Recreation Department's operations and status when competing for State and Federal grants.
- The funds set aside for ADA compliance in the City of Newport's annual budget is commendable, unique, and progressive. Undoubtedly, this policy places the City in a more competitive position when applying for future grants.
- The Cocke County Mayor's Office revealed that fewer TWRA boat-access points are available in Cocke County than in neighboring counties. Lobbying for additional TWRA facilities appears appropriate.
- The Cocke County Partnership is pursuing initiatives and policies to increase outdoor recreation opportunities as a strategy for future economic development. The Partnership is providing strong leadership in the role of promoting adventure tourism and recreation as a sustainable economic future for Cocke County.

3. Existing Conditions

3.1. Demographics

The demographics of an area have an impact on the use of park and recreation facilities and the need for new or changing facilities in the future. For example, if a population is aging, a plan for park and recreation improvements should provide for the needs of an older population. Presented below are population trends and projections, age and education, employment and income, and housing characteristics for Newport and Cocke County as a whole. Unless otherwise indicated, all demographic information presented below was collected from the U.S. Census.³

3.1.1. Newport

The estimated population of the City of Newport in 2016 was 6,856 citizens. Newport covers an area of 11.3 square miles, and therefore has a population density of 607 persons per square mile. The population is comprised of an estimated 95% Caucasian, 3% African American, 1% American Indian, 0% Asian, 0% from other races, and 1% two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race comprise 4% of the population.³

Between 2009 and 2016, the estimated population of Newport decreased 8% from 7,425 to 6,856 residents. Over the same eight years, estimated statewide population grew by 4%, and the estimated nationwide population grew by 6%. According to researchers at the University of Tennessee, over the ten-year period from 2016 through 2025, the population of Newport is projected to increase by 22% to a population of 8,361 residents.⁴ Over the same period, the statewide population is projected to grow by 9%, and the national population is projected to grow by 5%. Between 2009 and 2016, the estimated median age in Newport remained about the same at 44 years of age. Estimated statewide and nationwide median age in 2016 was 38 years.³

Newport Population and Age			
	Newport	Tennessee	U.S.
% Population Growth, 2009 – 2016	-8%	4%	6%
% Population Growth, 2016 – 2025	22%	9%	5%
Estimated Median Age (2016)	44	38	38

A large majority (80%) of the adult population in Newport aged 25 and older had at least a high school education. However, the portion of those who have at least an associate degree in Newport (15%) is lower than the portion who have at least an associate degree statewide (32%), or nationally (38%). Between 2009 and 2016, employment decreased by about 2% in Newport. Over the same period, employment decreased by about 2% both statewide and nationwide. While total employment decreased slightly, estimated household incomes in Newport increased slightly between 2009 and 2016 (3.3%). Over this same period, statewide and nationwide household incomes grew by an estimated 8%.³

³ <https://factfinder.census.gov>

⁴ Middleton, Erin J. and Mathew N. Murray, 2009, *Population Projections for the State of Tennessee, 2010-2030*

Newport Education, Employment, and Income			
	Newport	Tennessee	U.S.
% Obtained Associates Degree or Higher	15%	32%	38%
Employment Change, 2009 – 2016	-2%	-2%	-2%
Household Income Change, 2009 – 2016	3.3%	8%	8%

Median home values in Newport increased by an estimated \$5,500 over the last eight years, while statewide, median home values increased by \$17,500. The housing stock in Newport has been at a moderate rate of five (5) new houses per year over the last eight years³ The current administration has not indicated a desire for any annexations within the foreseeable future.

3.1.2. Cocke County

The estimated population of Cocke County in 2016 was 35,256. Cocke County covers an area of 443 square miles, and therefore has a population density of 80 persons per square mile. The population is comprised of an estimated 95% Caucasian, 2% African American, 1% American Indian, 0% Asian, 0% from other races, and 2% two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race comprise 2% of the population.³

Between 2007 and 2016, the estimated population of Cocke County increased slightly from 35,043 to 35,256. Over the same ten years, estimated statewide population grew by 8%, and the estimated nationwide population grew by 7%. According to researchers at the University of Tennessee, over the ten-year period from 2016 through 2025, the population of Cocke County is projected to decrease by 0.2% to a population of 35,183.⁵ Over the same period, the statewide population is projected to grow by 9%, and the national population is projected to grow by 5%. Between 2007 and 2016, the estimated median age in Cocke County increased from 39 to 45. Estimated statewide and nationwide median age in 2016 was 38 years.³

Cocke County Population and Age			
	Cocke County	Tennessee	U.S.
% Population Growth, 2009 – 2016	0.6%	8%	7%
% Population Growth, 2016 – 2025	-0.2%	9%	5%
Estimated Median Age (2016)	45	38	38

A large majority (79%) of the adult population in Cocke County aged 25 and older had at least a high school education. However, the portion of those who have at least an associate degree in Cocke County (15%) is lower than the portion who have at least an associate degree statewide (32%), or nationally (38%). Between 2007 and 2016, employment decreased by about 1% in Cocke County. Over the same period, employment decreased by

⁵ <http://cber.haslam.utk.edu/popproj.htm>

about 2% statewide and nationwide. Household incomes in Cocke County grew more slowly than they did at the statewide level, increasing an estimated 4% between 2007 and 2016. Over this same period, statewide and nationwide household incomes grew by an estimated 11%.³

Cocke County Education, Employment, and Income			
	Newport	Tennessee	U.S.
% Obtained Associates Degree or Higher	15%	32%	38%
Employment Change, 2009 – 2016	-1%	-2%	-2%
Household Income Change, 2009 – 2016	19%	11%	11%

Median home values in Cocke County increased by an estimated \$15,700 over the last ten years, while statewide, median home values increased by \$23,500. The housing stock in Cocke County increased at a moderate rate of eighty-nine (89) new units per year over the last ten years.³ The current administration has not indicated a desire for any new housing developments that might occur in the foreseeable future.

3.2. Regional Context

Cocke County is in eastern Tennessee along the border of North Carolina. Haywood and Madison Counties lie to the southeast of Cocke County, while Sevier and Jefferson counties lie to the west, and Hamblen and Greene counties lie to the north. Several major federal highways intersect in Cocke County, including U.S. Highway 25, U.S. Highway 25E, and U.S. Highway 25W, US Highway 321, US Highway 411, and Interstate 40, all of which converge near the vicinity of Newport, the seat of the county. Parrottsville lies northeast of Newport along Highway 321.

A portion of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park (GSMNP) run through the southwest portion of Cocke County and converges with the Cherokee National Forest which extends from the GSMNP north and eastward to the Tennessee/Virginia border. The Foothills Parkway is a scenic parkway that was started in 1944 along the foothills of the GSMNP. The corridor was initially slated to run 72 miles. However, only three segments of the Parkway totaling 22.5 miles have been completed at this time due to challenging terrain and funding issues. Despite these challenges, the open sections of the parkway provide a unique perspective of the Great Smoky Mountains and the Tennessee Valley.⁶ One section of the Foothills Parkway that is open is a six-mile stretch that traverses Green Mountain in Cocke County and connects U.S. 321 in Cosby with I-40 in the Pigeon River Valley.⁶

⁶ http://theblueridgehighlander.com/scenic_drives/tennessee/foothills_parkway/



Great Smoky Mountains National Park



Cherokee National Forest

Three major rivers run through or near the county. The French Broad River flows from North Carolina and runs roughly east-west through the county and into Douglas Lake. The Pigeon River runs south to north through the county before emptying into the French Broad just before it reaches Douglas Lake. The North Toe and Cane Rivers converge in North Carolina to create the Nolichucky River which runs into Tennessee and along the northern border of Cocke County before emptying into Douglas Lake. All three rivers have numerous access points for boating, fishing, camping and kayaking/rafting. Portions of both the Nolichucky and Pigeon Rivers are recognized as assets by the American Whitewater organization.⁷



Pigeon River



French Broad River

Douglas Lake (also known as Douglas Reservoir) is a manmade waterbody on the northwest edge of Cocke County. The lake was created with the construction of the Douglas hydroelectric dam completed by Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) in 1943. The lake comprises portions of Sevier, Jefferson, and Hamblen Counties.⁸ There are twenty-one boat ramps and eight marinas that provide access to Douglas Lake.⁹ Picnicking, camping, boating, fishing, and bird watching are all popular activities on the lake, which attracts over two million visitors per year.¹⁰

⁷ www.americanwhitewater.org

⁸ <https://www.tva.gov/Energy/Our-Power-System/Hydroelectric/Douglas-Reservoir>

⁹ <http://www.douglaslake.info/Maps/>

¹⁰ <https://www.recreation.gov/recreationalAreaDetails.do?contractCode=NRSO&recAreaId=1898>

The Appalachian Trail runs along the eastern edge of Cocke County on the Tennessee/North Carolina border and connects hikers with over 2,000 miles of trail running from Springer Mountain in Georgia to Mount Katahdin in Maine. Max Patch, a bald mountaintop with 360-degree views of the Blue Ridge and Smoky Mountains, lies in this section of the trail and draws in visitors from throughout the region and beyond. The trail is visited by more than three million people each year and is known as the longest hiking-only footpath in the world.¹¹



Douglas Lake



Appalachian Trail

The East Tennessee Crossing National Scenic Byway starts in the Cumberland Gap National Historical Park in the north and ends in the Cherokee National Forest to the south. The byway runs through the middle of Cocke County, passing by both Newport and Del Rio. The byway passes by whitewater rafting along the Pigeon River, numerous hiking and wildlife viewing areas, music venues, and craft shops highlighting traditional Appalachian arts.¹²



East Tennessee Crossing National Scenic Byway

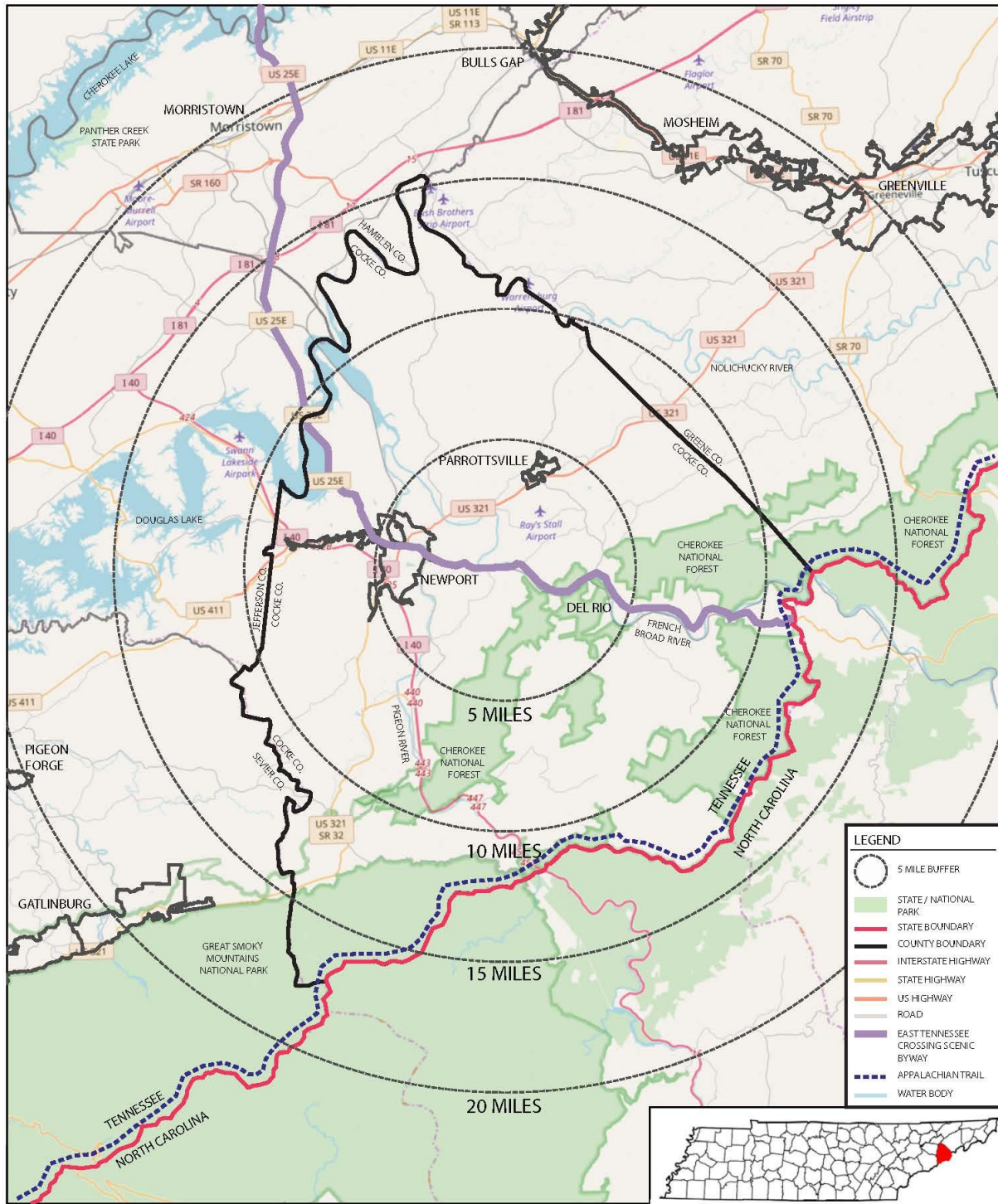


Cumberland Gap National Historical Park

¹¹ <http://www.appalachiantrail.org>

¹² <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/76017>

3.1 Regional Context Map



COCKE COUNTY REGIONAL CONTEXT
COCKE COUNTY, TN



3.3. Existing Park and Recreation Facilities

This section contains an inventory and description of the existing public recreation facilities in Newport and Cocke County. The following tables provide a listing of the facilities in the City of Newport and Cocke County along with the acreage for each facility. An Existing Conditions Assessment for the City of Newport’s facilities can be found on page 36 and for the County’s park and school facilities on page 60. Figure 3.2 shows the locations of the existing park and school facilities available for public recreation.

Newport Parks		
Location	Acreage	Facilities
Bryant Town Park	1.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under construction
Eva Sexton Park	0.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pigeon River viewing area ▪ Memorial ▪ ADA greenway ▪ 2 Pavilions ▪ 3 Swinging chairs
Fifth and Filbert Park	0.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Basketball court ▪ Open green space
Newport City Park	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Baseball field ▪ Softball field ▪ Football field ▪ Outdoor pool/pavilion ▪ Volleyball court ▪ 3 Tennis courts ▪ Basketball court ▪ 2 Playgrounds ▪ 2 Picnic pavilions ▪ 2 Gazebos ▪ Caboose ▪ 2 Concessions/ 4 restrooms ▪ Half-mile walking trail
Newport Grammar School Sports Complex	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Baseball field ▪ Softball field ▪ Skate park ▪ Restroom and concession stand ▪ Kiwanis park playground
Park to Float	1.75	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Restroom ▪ River access and overlook ▪ Benches
Pet Milk Park	0.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Playground ▪ Basketball court ▪ Picnic tables
White Oak Park	0.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Playground ▪ Basketball court ▪ Bench

Newport Parks		
Location	Acreage	Facilities
Newport Community Center	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Indoor Olympic-size swimming pool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Basketball court ▪ Volleyball court ▪ Racquetball court ▪ Gymnastics room ▪ Concession stand with kitchen ▪ Meeting and conference rooms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kitchen ▪ Lobby/receptionist area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fitness room ▪ Maintenance workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Game room ▪ Newport Recreation Dept. offices



Newport City Park Tennis Courts



Pet Milk Park Playground

Cocke County Parks		
Location	Acreage	Facilities
Irish Cutt Road Park	0.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Playground ▪ Basketball Court

3.3.1. Schools

There are two public school systems in Cocke County. The Newport City Schools consist of a grammar school and a middle school located on one campus. The location of the campus is also the site of the Newport Grammar School (NGS) Sports Complex. The twelve-acre site consists of a baseball and softball field, a skate park, a restroom/concession building, and the Kiwanis Park playground. This very popular park is maintained and operated by the Newport Parks and Recreation Department.

The Cocke County School District operates an adult education school, two high schools, and nine elementary schools throughout the county. All the schools, except for the adult education school, provide athletic and on-site recreation facilities for their students. The two high schools offer gyms and various outdoor facilities for a variety

of athletic teams such as football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, softball, baseball, and track and field. Cocke County High School also has swimming, golf, tennis, cheerleading, cross-country, and wrestling teams.

The Cocke County Recreation Department and its director maintain joint-use agreements with the Cocke County School District for public use of seven of the district's elementary school gymnasiums for youth basketball teams and adult pick-up games. The elementary schools are dispersed throughout the rural areas of the county and are valuable assets in these remote, unincorporated communities. Although the joint-use agreements are in place for just the gymnasiums, when ballfields are needed for practice play, the fields at Northwest Elementary School are sometimes used. The consulting team conducted on-site visits of both the outdoor facilities and gymnasiums of the following schools in the fall of 2017:

Bridgeport Elementary School
1935 Edwina Bridgeport Road
Newport, TN 37821

Centerview Elementary School
2400 Highway 160
Newport, TN 37821

Del Rio Elementary School
2400 Highway 107
Del Rio, TN 37727

Northwest Elementary School
344 Woodson Road
Newport, TN 37821

Edgemont Elementary School
375 Carson Springs Road
Newport, TN 37821

Grassy Fork Elementary School
4120 Big Creek Road
Hartford, TN 37753

Parrottsville Elementary School
1901 Old Parrottsville Highway
Parrottsville, TN 37843

Smoky Mountain Elementary School
135 South Highway 32
Cosby, TN 37722

The outdoor facilities or ballfields at all the elementary schools visited needed extraordinary maintenance improvements and/or replacement items. ADA compliance issues were also observed for restrooms and pathways from the parking areas to the amenities. However, the parking areas were properly striped for ADA accessibility, and only a few needed signage. ADA compliant pathways from the parking areas to the gymnasium entrances appeared to be in place. The gymnasiums themselves are in very good condition overall and are very well maintained. The building evaluation for the gymnasiums are included beginning on page 60 as well as the outdoor facilities for Northwest Elementary School.

Cocke County Schools		
Location	Acreage	Facilities
Parrottsville Elementary School	29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Football field ▪ Baseball field ▪ Concession/restroom building
Bridgeport Elementary School	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Softball field
Del Rio Elementary School	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Multi-use field ▪ Basketball court ▪ Playground
Edgemont Elementary School	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Football field ▪ Baseball field ▪ Concession/restroom building
Smoky Mountain Elementary School	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Softball field ▪ Playground ▪ Walking path
Grassy Fork Elementary School	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Softball field ▪ Playground ▪ Walking path
Northwest Elementary School	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Softball field ▪ Restrooms
Irish Cutt Road Park	0.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Playground ▪ Basketball court

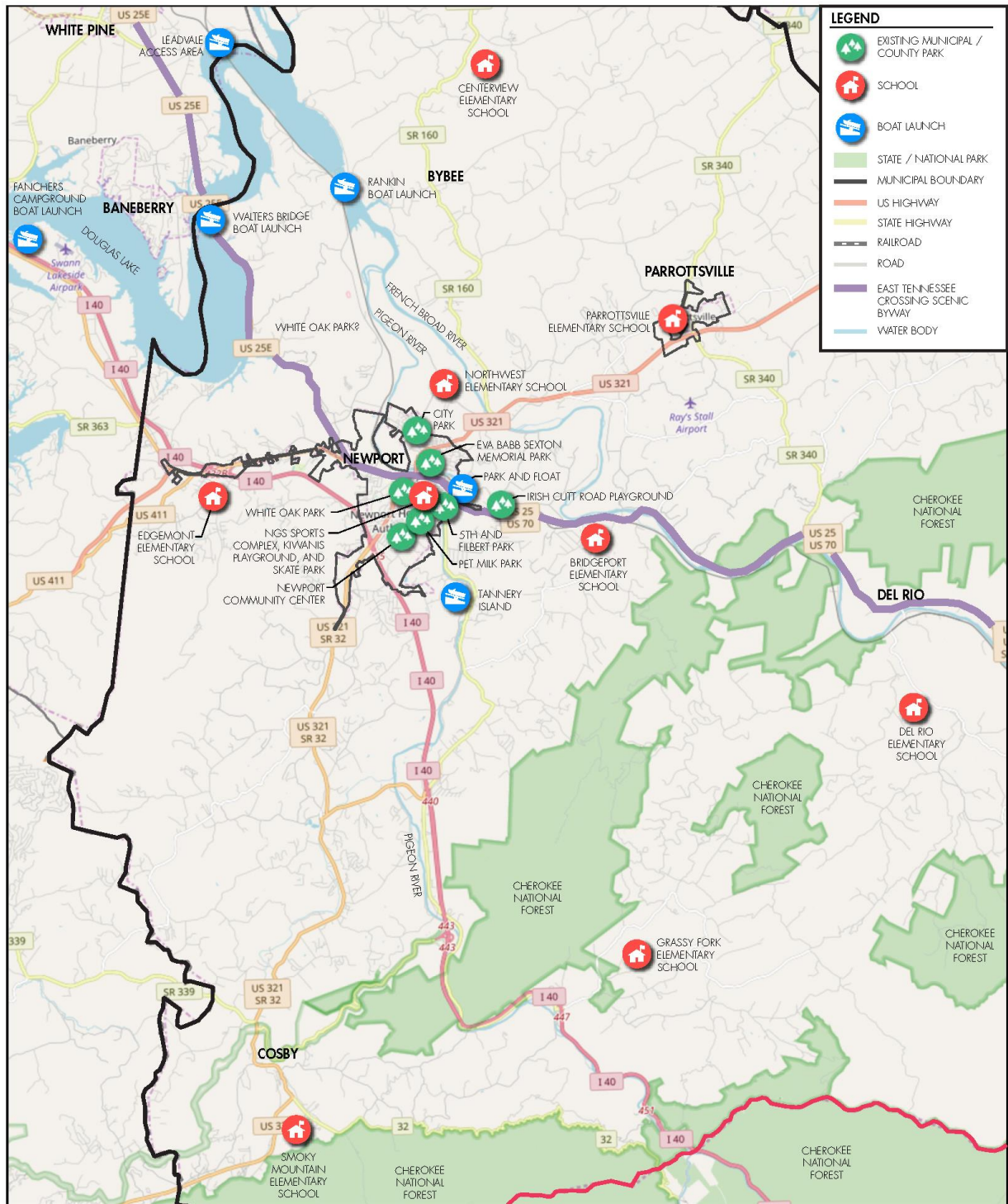


Walking path at Smoky Mountain Elementary



Playground at Parrottsville Elementary

Figure 3.2 Public Facilities



**COCKE COUNTY EXISTING PARK FACILITIES
COCKE COUNTY, TN**



3.3.2. Blueways

Blueways are navigable water paths or trails developed with launch points, camping locations, and points of interest for canoeists and kayakers. According to TDEC, rivers, streams, and creeks are the largest and most widely available class of publicly-owned recreation resources in Tennessee. In 2012, the National Water Trails System was established by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior as a class of National Recreation Trails under the National Trails System Act of 1968. The State of Tennessee has expressed a desire to develop and designate a network of blueways to be included in the National Water Trails System. The designation of these blueways will promote public access points and features along Tennessee’s lakes, rivers, streams, and creeks, ultimately providing both residents and visitors with greater opportunities to enjoy Tennessee’s waterways.¹³

Cocke County’s border, shared to the northwest with Greene County and to the northeast with Hamblen County, is the free-flowing Nolichucky River before it is impounded to create the Douglas Reservoir (*see Figure 3.1, Regional Context Map*). In addition to the Nolichucky, there are two additional rivers whose headwaters are in the mountains of the Cherokee National Forest. These rivers flow through the length of the county and into the Douglas Lake TVA Reservoir, the French Broad River, and the Pigeon River. The Nolichucky flows for 115 miles through western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee. The confluence of the Nolichucky with the French Broad occurs in the upstream portion of the Douglas Lake impoundment. The mouth of the Nolichucky lies near the point where Cocke, Hamblen, and Jefferson counties meet near the mouth is the Rankin Wildlife Management Area, a reserve operated by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA). The agency also provides a boat access point at the reserve.¹⁴

The French Broad River is 213 miles long. It begins near Roseman, North Carolina and flows through Cocke County where it is impounded by Douglas Lake, also at the Rankin Wildlife Management Area. The portion of the river that flows from the North Carolina state line to the Walter’s Bridge Boat Launch, also a TWRA boat access point in Jefferson County, is a 33-mile scenic river section designated in 1968. Whitewater rafting is popular through the Cherokee National Forest from the North Carolina line to the Del Rio community in Cocke County.¹⁵ This section of the river is also a designated blueway. A map of the blueway can be found on the Smoky Mountain Greenways website.¹⁶ Although the portion of the French Broad that flows through Cocke County has achieved the prominence of a designated blueway and scenic river, there is only one public river access point in the county at Wolf Creek in the Del Rio community.¹⁷

The Pigeon River (or Big Pigeon River) originates in North Carolina and flows northwesterly, approximately twenty-two miles through Cocke County before joining the French Broad River near Newport. Public access along the river is primarily limited to bridge crossings and pull-offs along roads paralleling the river.¹⁸ The river is a popular spot for whitewater paddling in Tennessee. The upper stretch of the Pigeon River boasts class III-IV rapids while the lower portion is a gentler run with class I-II rapids. Again, despite the river’s popularity, there are only three public

¹³ Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, *Tennessee 2020 Vision for Parks, People, and Landscapes, Status Review and Update*. July 2016

¹⁴ <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nolichucky-River>

¹⁵ <https://www.tn.gov/environment/program-areas/na-natural-areas/na-sr-scenic-rivers-list/scenic-rivers-list/french-broad.html>

¹⁶ <https://smokymountaingreenways.org/maps/index.htm>

¹⁷ <https://twra.maps.arcgis.com>

¹⁸ www.outdoorknoxville.com/places/lakes-and-rivers/rivers/pigeon-river

access points along the twenty-two miles running through Cocke County. One is at the North Carolina state line at Walters Powerhouse. Another is at Tannery Island just south of Newport, and the third is in the City of Newport at the city's Eva Sexton Park near the Newport police station.¹⁹

The six TWRA boat access points in Cocke County are:

French Broad River

- Wolf Creek
- Walter's Bridge
- Rankin

Pigeon River

- Walter's Powerhouse
- Tannery Island
- Newport Police Station at Eva Sexton Park

3.3.3. Greenways and Trails

Within Cocke County, there are several outstanding opportunities to enjoy walking and hiking in the outdoors. Those provided and maintained by the State and Federal governments include the Appalachian National Scenic Trail, the trails within the Cherokee National Forest, and the Tennessee Gulf Trail in the Martha Sundquist State Forest. The Appalachian Trails (A.T.) is a 2,180-mile plus public footpath that traverses the scenic, wooded, pastoral, wild, and culturally resonate lands of the Appalachian Mountains. Conceived in 1921 and completed in 1937, the trail is managed by the National Park Service and the U.S. Forest Service for the portion of the trail that meanders along the Tennessee and North Carolina border. There is one public access point to the A.T. on the border and in proximity to Cocke County. There is a three-space parking lot on Waterville School Road where the Interstate 40/Highway 32 interchange crossed over the A.T.²⁰

The 650,000-acre Cherokee National Forest is divided into northern and southern sections by the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The section contained in Cocke County is the southernmost sector of the northern section designated as the Pigeon River Zone. Favorite activities in this remote recreation zone include whitewater rafting, hiking, and camping. Located between the French Broad and Pigeon Rivers, this zone offers pockets of backcountry nestled among the rural communities of Cocke County. Maps that identify the trails and other amenities available in this area can be found on the U.S. Forest Service website.²¹ Surrounded on three sides by Cherokee National Forest, Tennessee's Martha Sundquist State Forest is the only one in the state forest system with a dedicated hiking trail. The Tennessee Gulf Trail follows Brown Gap Creek from the northwestern to the southeastern corners of this 2,000-acre cove of hardwood forest. The easy, rhododendron-lined 3.3-mile trail was opened in 2010 and is very well maintained. The trailhead is along Gulf Road, just down the access road from the state forest entrance sign.²²

Locally, there is a riverwalk trail just off Main Street in downtown Newport known as the Eva Sexton Park. The ADA accessible concrete pathway lies on the bank of the Pigeon River behind Newport's City Hall. The trail currently begins at the TWRA boat launch behind the Newport Police Department and extends about 3,4000 linear feet to underneath the North Street Bridge. The City also has plans to extend the trail eastward to a new trailhead and westward to an Oldmill/Brownfield Park location. Additionally, the City aspires to construct a river trail that would extend from its current Park-to-Float site.

¹⁹ <https://twra.maps.arcgis.com>

²⁰ www.nps.gov/appa/index.htm

²¹ <https://www.fs.usda.gov/cherokee>

²² <http://internetbrothers.org/2015/02/12/tennessee-gulf-trail-martha-sundquist-state-forest/>

3.4. Programs and Community Events

Parks, recreation facilities, programs and community events are key factors in strengthening community image and creating a sense of place. The following is a comprehensive list of the programs and events offered by Newport and Cocke County.

3.4.1. Recreational Programs

Newport

- Smoky Mountain Little League
- Newport/Cocke County Rapids Swim Team
- Recreation Youth Basketball
- Youth Football League

The Grasscutter, Super Grasscutter, and Pee Wee age groups of the youth football league play many of their games at the Newport City Park football fields. Many baseball games are played at the City Park baseball field, which also hosts several district and state tournaments for junior, major, and senior leagues. The Newport/Cocke County Rapids Swim team holds its meets at the Newport Community Center’s indoor swimming pool.²³

Cocke County

- Little League Baseball/Softball
- Coed Flag Football (ages 4 – 10)
- Local Basketball Youth League (up to age 12)
- Adult Basketball League

Little league softball games occur on fields at the County’s various schools, while little league baseball games are often played at Newport City Park. Co-ed football played its first year in 2017 on the fields at Edgemont Elementary. County officials are anticipating greater participation as the program continues and may vary field locations accordingly. Youth basketball games occur at both elementary schools and the Newport Community Center basketball courts. All adult basketball league games occur at the Newport Community Center basketball courts.

3.4.2. Community Events

Community events are held across the region and throughout the year in Cocke County. A number of these special events – particularly the sports events and music festivals – draw in visitors from outside the county and state.

Community events in Cocke County are as follows:

Cocke County Partnership Chamber of Commerce

- Summer Concert Series (May through July)
- Newport Harvest Street Festival (October 6 & 7)
- Newport Christmas Parade (December 8)

²³ <https://www.newportcockecountychamber.com/our-community/parks-and-rec/>

Cocke County Parks and Recreation Department

- Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday before Easter)
- Moonshine Rod Run (third weekend in June)
- Trick or Treat at the Track (October 31st)
- Kiwanis Fireflies Flicks
- Car Show (August)

Other Organizations in Cocke County

- Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
- Cruise against Cancer (April)
- National Tourism Week (first full week of May)
- Kiwanis Ramp Festival (May)
- Parrottsville Fireworks Showcase (July 4th)
- Cocke County A&I Fair (second weekend in July)
- Tennessee Picnic Celebration (first week of August)
- Parrottsville Heritage Days (second Weekend in October)
- Del Rio Days (fourth weekend in October)
- Centerview Ruritan Turkey Festival (second Saturday in November)
- Christmas festivals and parades throughout county

The Newport Harvest Street Festival occurs on the first Saturday and Sunday of October in a three-block area of downtown Newport. The Parrottsville Heritage Days Festival takes place at the Parrott-Larue-Myers Park in Parrottsville the second weekend in October. Both festivals host a variety of entertainment, arts and crafts, vendors, and food. Del Rio Days, which occurs the fourth week in October on Flat Rock Way in Del Rio, involves vendors, children’s activities, and a songwriting contest. The Ramp Festival, held in May at the Fairgrounds in Newport, has been coined as the oldest running festival in Tennessee.

3.5. Administration, Budgeting, and Management

3.5.1. Newport

Administration

The City of Newport is administered by a board comprised of a mayor, vice mayor, and four aldermen. Under the City’s charter, a City administrator who reports directly to the board of mayor and aldermen takes responsibility for the daily operations of all departments and agencies, except as otherwise stated by the charter or the by-laws. The City’s Parks and Recreation Department Administration is responsible for the daily operations and development of parks and recreation activities in Newport. A five-person Parks and Recreation Commission advises the Parks and Recreation Department in all of its activities and investments.

Budget

In 2017, cities with similar sized populations to Newport (7,000 or less) across the U.S. spent a median of \$65 per capita on operations and maintenance (O&M) of parks and recreation.²⁴ The budget for parks and recreation in

²⁴ <https://nrapr.org>

Newport was examined to make a meaningful comparison with this figure. In 2015, Newport spent \$832,469 for O&M of parks and recreation facilities and programs. Between 2015 and 2017, the City’s spending parks and recreation O&M increased 14%. In 2017, Newport spent \$942,953 on parks and recreation O&M, representing an operating budget of \$138 per capita.

Newport Parks and Recreation O&M			
	2015	2016	2017
Recreation Department Spending	\$832,469	\$919,583	\$1,000,225
Capital Outlay	\$2,840	\$80,055	\$57,274
Parks and Rec O&M Budget	\$829,629	\$839,528	\$942,953

Management

In the City of Newport, management of parks and recreation is overseen by the Newport Parks and Recreation Department who operate the Community Center as well as the City Park, and a number of satellite parks throughout the community. The department operates with thirteen full-time staff, five of whom are indoor employees at the Newport Community Center, and eight of whom maintain the community’s outdoor facilities. During the summer season, eighteen seasonal employees are hired to keep up with the increased demands for operations and maintenance of the City’s facilities, and two additional part-time employees are hired to keep up with weed eating and mowing at city parks. The City athletics coordinator maintains a separate team of contracted employees to facilitate activities in the city, including running the concession stands, operating the scoreboards, refereeing basketball games, and umpiring at baseball games.

3.5.2. Cocke County

Administration

Cocke County is administered by a mayor and fourteen commissioners. Parks and recreation activities are administered by the Cocke County Recreation Department.

Budget

In 2017, communities with similar-sized populations to Cocke County (35,500 or less) across the U.S. spent a median of \$84 per capita on operations and maintenance (O&M) of parks and recreation.¹³ The budget for parks and recreation in Newport was examined to make a meaningful comparison with this figure. In 2015, Cocke County spent \$296,342 on O&M of parks and recreation facilities and programs. Between 2015 and 2017, the County’s spending on parks and recreation O&M increased by 1%. In 2017, Cocke County spent \$298,535 on parks and recreation O&M, representing a budget of \$8.47 per capita. However, this does not represent the County School District’s expenditures on the same facilities. If those budgets were combined the spending per capita would be much higher. However, this does not represent the County School District’s expenditures on the same facilities. If those budgets were combined, the spending per capita would be much higher.

Cocke County Parks and Recreation O&M			
	2015	2016	2017
Social, Cultural, and Recreational	\$267,962	\$272,672	\$274,471
Sports and Recreation	\$28,380	\$26,189	\$24,064
Parks and Rec O&M Budget	\$296,342	\$298,861	\$298,535

Management

In Cocke County, management of parks and recreation is carried out by the Cocke County Recreation Department. The department manages programs for youth basketball, adult basketball, and little league softball and baseball.²⁵ They also assist in the maintenance of facilities. The Cocke County School District operates the Cocke County School System where many team sports in the region are played. Through a joint-use agreement with the school system, the recreation department coordinates recreational activities and maintains the recreational facilities at the schools. The Cocke County Recreation Department employs four full-time employees, two of whom work in the office and two of whom oversee facility maintenance. During the summer months, the department hires three part-time staff to assist with park and recreation coordination and maintenance needs in the county.

3.5.3. Cocke County Partnership

The Cocke County Partnership was formed in 2004 as a collaborative effort between the Newport/Cocke County Economic Development Commission, the Newport/Cocke County Tourism Development, and the Newport/Cocke County Chamber of Commerce to promote the local economy and improve the quality of life in Cocke County.

The Cocke County Partnership is another agency instrumental in developing recreational opportunities in Cocke County. The partnership is a 501(c)(6) economic development organization that oversees the Chamber of Commerce, the economic development, and the tourist development within the county. There is an executive director of the partnership as well as the directors of each of the three organizations within the partnership. The partnership is governed by a board of eleven members who serve on staggered terms. The board consists of legislative representatives from each local government, the Cocke County Commission, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for Newport, and the Parrottsville City Council. There are also at-large members representing agriculture, industry, banking, and tourism. The partnership is currently sponsoring several economic development initiatives based on recreational opportunities in the county. These initiatives are described further in Section 5.5 *Prioritization of Needs*.

²⁵ <http://www.cockeCountytn.gov/County-officials/recreation-department/>

4. Public Input

4.1. Citizen Survey Results

In October and November 2017, a public survey was posted online and in various public locations to collect public feedback for the *Cocke County Parks and Recreation Ten-Year Master Plan*. The survey asked respondents about existing parks and recreation facilities and activities. The survey also asked questions regarding preferences for future facilities and programs. Collectively, over 465 responses were received to the survey. The following is a list of major survey findings:

4.1.1. Parks and Recreation Site Usage

Of the parks and recreation facilities in Cocke County, the sites that survey respondents reported using most often are Newport City Park (35%), Newport Community Center (17%), NGS Sports Complex (9%), Newport Pet Milk Park (5%) and the Kiwanis Park Playground (5%).

4.1.2. Satisfaction with Existing Facilities

Of the survey participants, the largest number reported that they were either *satisfied* or *very satisfied* (41%) with the existing parks and recreation facilities and activities in Cocke County, and most respondents thought the parks and recreation facilities were accessible to all citizens no matter their age, race, religion, national origin, or physical ability.

4.1.3. Desired Improvements to the Parks and Recreation System

Respondents were asked to prioritize facilities and activities they would like to see provided by Parks and Recreation. The highest priorities were playgrounds and activities for small children (34%), teen athletics programs (24%), and open space and trails (18%).

4.1.4. Support for Actions to Improve the Parks and Recreation System

Respondents expressed their support for increasing financial methods to expand parks and recreation in Cocke County, with about 65% indicating they either strongly agree or agree with the increasing funding, and only about 9% saying they either disagree or strongly disagree with increasing funding. The most desired funding sources were grant money, parks and recreation bond issue, and user fees.

4.1.5. Programming

Over 60% agreed that the following activities and services are important for parks and recreation agencies to provide:

- Increase in community pride
- Improved physical and mental health
- Fun for participants and observers
- Accessible places to enjoy nature
- Improved quality of life
- Structure and supervision for children and youth

When asked “Are there any additional activities that members of your household would like to see provided by the Newport or Cocke County?” and “Other than city and county parks in Cocke County, what other parks and recreation activities does your family do in our region?”, respondents reported the following activities most often:

- Hiking
- Boating
- Fishing
- Walking/running
- Camping
- Splash pad/water park
- More activities/classes
- Bike trails/lanes

A complete copy of the survey and a graphic display of survey responses, as well as a list of open-ended responses is provided (see Appendix B).

4.2. Community Meeting Feedback

On November thirtieth and December sixth of 2017, public workshops were held at the Newport Community Center and Newport City Hall. There were seven participants at the workshop in November and nineteen participants at the workshop in December. Notifications and sign-in sheets are provided (see Appendix C). At the workshops, the planning team presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining the purpose of the project, the planning process, existing facilities that were evaluated, the status of programs and events in the community, and a summary of responses to the community-wide survey.

The planning team also asked participants some key questions about existing and future facilities and programs in the county. Responses to these questions were recorded on a flip chart and placed on the walls. At the end of the workshops, participants were led in an audience preference exercise. Participants were given four adhesive dots. Answers given in the combination of both meetings to the question are as follows (numbers in parentheses designate how many attendants indicated that issue/item was most important with their dots):

What do you like or dislike about existing park and recreation facilities?	
Like	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Good car shows (4) ▪ Incredible Parks and Recreation Department (2)
Dislike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Need more advertising/community information (8) ▪ Not enough facilities or activities for small children (3) ▪ Community Center hours are too short (1)

What new park and recreation facilities are needed?
Central ballfield complex for County (17)
Add sidewalks (6) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Focus around schools
Splash pads (4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ City Park ▪ Other parks
Fifteen acres at Old Mill site need to be developed (4)
Public transportation for those who live further out
Multi-use trails that accommodate ATVs, mountain bikers, and horseback riding (6)
Park/float on new 321 connector (4)
Connectivity between residential & commercial properties (1)

What new park and recreation facilities are needed?

Pet Milk Park improvements

- New fencing
- Resurfacing basketball court
- New pavilion

Fifth and Filbert Park improvements

- New fencing
- Resurfacing basketball court
- Playground
- Pavilion

County Sportsplex

Greenway trail connection/boardwalk

What do you like or dislike about existing park and recreation programs?

Like	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Schools working with Parks and Recreation promotes community pride
Dislike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tough to coordinate between team sports in limited spaces (2) ▪ Not enough volunteers for organized sports

What new park and recreation programs are needed?

- Adult recreation leagues (5)
- User fees need to match current economic circumstances (4)
- Want to see more sports competitions/tournaments — will require more space

General Feedback

Plans exist to complete development near river

Newport Grammar School Complex includes

- Kiwanis park
- Ballfields
- Skate park

Northwest Elementary School

- Use fields, but not gym

Bryant Town Park (currently under construction) includes

- Basketball
- Restrooms
- Pavilion
- Playground

Recreational basketball is shared between Newport and Cocke County

Park and recreation events

- Easter Egg Hunt

General Feedback

- Moonshine Rod Run
- Trick-or-Treat at the Track
- Kiwanis Fireflies Flicks
- August car show

5. Needs Assessment

5.1. Existing Conditions

Stated simply, a community parks and recreation needs assessment is an analysis of existing facilities, operations, and services and comparison to standards and other metrics to determine future needs. There were several methods used during the planning process to assist Newport and Cocke County in defining future goals and formulating strategies to address needs. The first of these methods undertaken early in the process was an existing conditions assessment of the parks and recreation facilities and programs provided by Newport and Cocke County (see *Section 5.1.1 and Section 5.1.2*). The assessment was conducted by the consulting team in late August and early September of 2017 using an on-site evaluation checklist (see *Appendix E*). The evaluation team visited the park facilities and assessed the physical conditions of the existing infrastructure and park amenities. Particular attention was given to ADA accessibility and compliance. While the observations are general and not design specific, the evaluation does give guidance and direction for addressing ADA compliance needs when undertaking future improvement projects. Other factors considered during the assessment include:

- Strengths and weaknesses
- Natural and manmade features
- Pedestrian/vehicular access and parking
- Passive vs. active land utilization
- Potential for expansion
- Potential for consolidation of facilities
- Pedestrian and bicycle trail connections
- Safety and Security

Another method for determining the needs is the benchmarking process (see *Section 5.2*). Benchmarking is defined as “A measurement of the quality of an organization’s policies, programs, strategies, etc., and their comparison with the standard measurement, or similar measurements of its peers.”²⁶ Two benchmarking exercises were conducted as part of the needs assessment. The first exercise is based on national metrics as reported in the *2017 NRPA Agency Performance Review, Parks and Recreation Agency Performance Benchmarks* report. This exercise compares local governments in population categories similar to each jurisdiction with other communities in regard to the number of residents per park and the acres of park per 1,000 residents for similar sized entities. The second benchmarking exercise conducted is an evaluation of demographics, number of residents per park and acres of park per 1,000 residents to other communities in Tennessee of similar size to Newport and Cocke County (see *Section 5.3*).

In Cocke County, an evaluation of Irish Cutt Road Park was conducted along with architectural evaluations of the Cocke County School gymnasiums that are used through joint-use agreements with the County for recreational use. All City of Newport facilities were included in the evaluation process, including an architectural evaluation of the Newport Community Center Building (see *Section 5.1.1*).

The County also indicated that the ballfield at Northwest Elementary School is sometimes used by public leagues, so an evaluation of that facility is also provided (see *Section 5.1.2*).

Finally, priorities for existing and new facilities determined through the survey, public input workshops, and stakeholder interviews is reexamined (see *Section 5.4*). In summary, the following sources of data collectively provide the basis of the needs assessment and the foundation for the improvements indicated in the following

²⁶ www.business.com/definition/benchmarking.html

ten-year prioritization of needs, the design elements of the draft concept plan, the five-year budget plan, and plan recommendations:

- Needs identified during an existing conditions assessment
- National Metrics as reported in the *2017 NRPA Agency Performance Review, Parks and Recreation Agency Performance Benchmarks* report
- A benchmark comparison of demographics and parks and recreation facilities with other jurisdictions in Tennessee serving comparable communities
- Priority needs identified in the community-wide survey, public input workshops, and stakeholder interviews

5.1.1. City of Newport Facilities

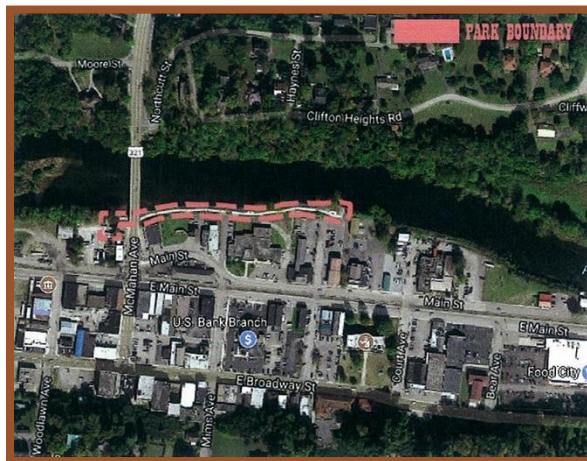
Bryant Town Park

Bryant Town Park is currently under construction and was not reviewed as part of the Existing Facilities Assessment.



Eva Sexton Park

Eva Sexton Park is a waterfront walk that overlooks Pigeon River. There are multiple places to sit and relax while still looking over the river. The park sits behind East Broadway, the main street in the heart of downtown Newport. The park offers about a quarter-mile long river walkway, three swinging benches that overlook the river, and two pavilions.



Infrastructure

The park has three swinging chairs and two pavilions. One pavilion sits in the grass. The other pavilion has a bench. The trail is ADA accessible, but the last pavilion and last swinging chair are not accessible because

they are at the top of the hill without a path leading to them. The following recommendations would enhance the park:

- Install a paved path from the river walk to the top of the hill where there is a sitting pavilion and swinging chair.
- Since the guardrail is only in certain locations on site, it needs to be continued on the entire length of the river walk to have unity throughout the site.



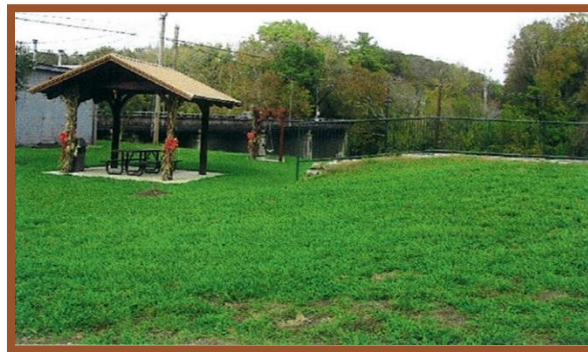
Eva Sexton Park — Seating by River



Eva Sexton Park — Pavilion

To bring the site up to full compliance, the following improvements are needed:

- The parking lot needs to have designated ADA stall for the park specifically.
- Install paved paths to every node in the park to allow for maximum ADA accessibility.



Eva Sexton Park — Pavilion on Top of Hill

Fifth and Filbert

Fifth and Filbert Park is a neighborhood park situated in the heart of the residential section of Newport, Tennessee. The park lacks signage, making it difficult to find. The park has plenty of space to make a welcoming area for residents.



Fifth and Filbert Park

Infrastructure

The infrastructure needs upgrades at this park. The basketball court requires the most work. The field to the northeast of the basketball court was a passive open space that was in great condition. The following recommendations would enhance the park:

- Replace missing panels in the basketball court fence to improve safety.
- The court needs to be cleared of the rusty metal fencing to improve safety.
- The park needs lighting to improve safety at night.
- The open space in the park allows a great opportunity for playground equipment.
- The existing parking needs to be updated to be a legitimate parking lot by installing stall lines, ADA accessibility, signage, and the appropriately graded pavement.



Fifth and Filbert Park — Basketball Court

Accessibility

Overall, site accessibility is decent. There is a paved area for parking, but it is not up to ADA standards. The parking lot needs to be repaved with stall lines and signage to ensure ADA accessibility.

The following improvements are needed to bring the site up to full compliance:

- Replace missing panels in the basketball court fence to improve safety.
- The court needs to be cleared of the rusty metal fencing to improve safety.
- The park needs lighting to improve safety at night.
- The open space in the park allows a great opportunity for playground equipment.
- The parking lot needs to be repaved with stall lines and signage to ensure ADA accessibility.
- The basketball goals need to be replaced for ones with backboards on them.
- The court lacks seating; there needs to be a small set of bleachers or a couple of picnic tables.



Fifth and Filbert Park missing fence



Fifth and Filbert Park open space

Newport City Park

The Newport City Park is nestled in the northwest sector of Newport with multiple amenities to offer its residents. The park is kept up beautifully, and all parts of the park seemed to be used frequently throughout the entire year.

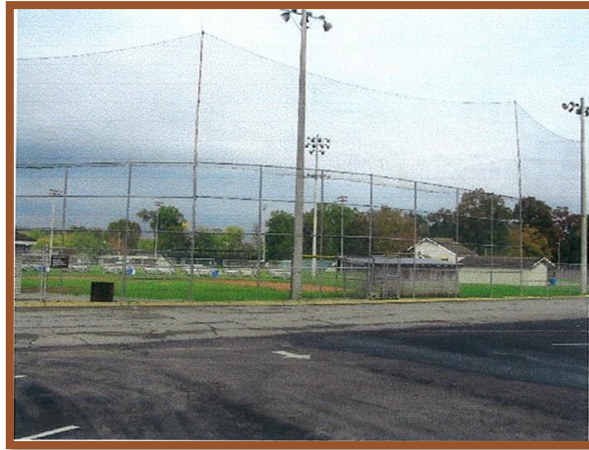


Newport City Park

Infrastructure

Newport City Park has a maintenance staff that does a wonderful job keeping that park clean. The park offers a softball field, a baseball field, a football field, two concession stands, four restrooms, a pool, a pool pavilion, three tennis courts, one basketball court, one sand volleyball court, a caboose, two gazeboes, a half-mile walking trail, two sets of playgrounds for children of mixed ages, and two picnic pavilions with seating, restrooms, and a fireplace.

The softball field is well constructed and properly maintained. The infield is well cared for, and the outfield is mowed often. There is no foul ball fence past the dugouts and no outfield fence. At the time of the site assessment, the foul ball and outfield fence had been taken down for the football season. The dugouts are in good condition. The park has overhead electric that contributes to the lights on the field.



Newport City Park: Softball Field

The 600 square-foot concession is ADA accessible with a route to the bleachers for the softball field. However, there is no route from the bleachers at the football field. The following recommendations would enhance the building:

- Provide an ADA path from the football bleachers to the building



Newport City Park — Concession Stand and Restroom at Softball Field

The football field is well maintained and has eight sets of bleachers. There are lights on the field to provide play at night. There is no ADA path to the football field from either the bleachers at the softball,

from the baseball field, or from the parking lot. The concession stand and restroom is centrally located and in good proximity to the field. The following recommendations would enhance the field:

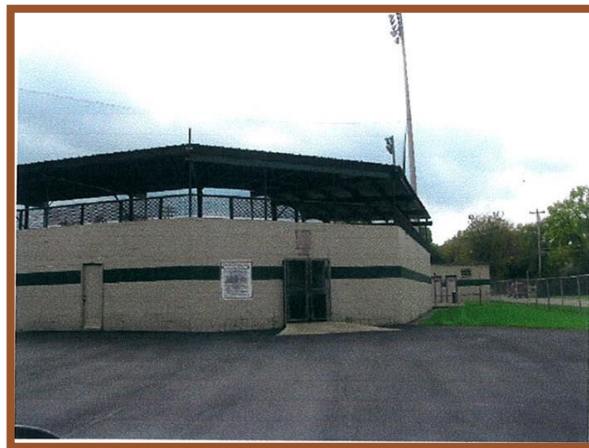
- Provide more lighting on the softball field.
- Parts of the softball field outfield need to be reseeded to establish more turf growth.



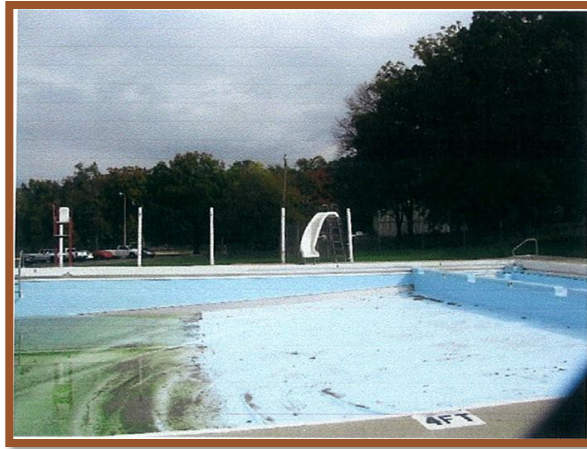
Newport City Park — Football Field

The baseball field is well maintained and has the most amenities. There are stadium bleachers with an announcer's box above. Because no game was in progress, there was no access the stadium bleachers, so there is no verification that there was a restroom. If there is not, it necessitates a distant route for a wheelchair to get to the restroom. There are several lights to allow for play at night. The following recommendations would enhance the field:

- If there is no restroom in the stadium bleachers. Provide one closer to the field.



Newport City Park — Baseball Field and Stadium



Newport City Park — Baseball Field and Stadium

The pool pavilion is mainly used for guests to sit and watch people in the pool, to eat, and to stay in the shade. Since the pool house was locked, there is no verification of ADA accessibility to the bathroom, but the doors looked to be the correct size. There were no ADA accessible benches in the sitting area. The pool has an ADA lift which remains available at all times when the pool is in use. The following recommendations would enhance the pool pavilion:

- Verify the restroom and concessions are ADA accessible.
- Provide ADA seating in the sitting area.



Newport City Park — Baseball Field and Stadium

The City Park offers six very nice tennis courts. There are a few cracks in the surfacing but nothing that would prevent play. The courts are not located north / south which is the correct direction. The courts are lit. The following recommendations would enhance the courts:

- Fix all cracks
- Have bleachers for spectators



Newport City Park — Tennis Courts

The City Park has one basketball court that is in good condition. The courts are lit. There are a few cracks in the court but nothing that would prevent play. The following recommendations would enhance the courts:

- There are several cracks in the pavement that should be fixed.
- Bleachers could be placed on the outside of the courts for spectators.



Newport City Park — Basketball Courts

The City Park has one sand volleyball court. The court is enclosed and has most of the sand still within the court. The nets and poles all look to be in good condition. The following recommendations would enhance the court:

- There could be two picnic tables placed on either side of the volleyball court to allow teams and spectators a place to sit while they watch.



Newport City Park — Sand Volleyball Court

The City Park has playground equipment for children of all ages. There are slides, monkey bars, a small teeter-totter, a small jungle gym, and a small climbing sphere. The following recommendations would enhance the playground:

- There could be two picnic benches placed around the playground for parents to have a place to sit while they watch their children.
- The same age group equipment could be in one location so there is no tripping hazard when they are running from one space to the other.
- The surfacing needs to be updated to allow for the maximum ADA accessibility.



Newport City Park — Toddler Playground Equipment

The City Park has done an excellent job providing playground equipment for children of all ages. There are slides, monkey bars, small teeter-totters, a small jungle gym, and a small climbing sphere. The following recommendations would enhance the playground:

- There could be two picnic benches placed around the playground for parents to have a place to sit while they watch their children.
- The same age group equipment be in one location there is no tripping hazard when they are running from one space to another.
- The surfacing needs to be updated to allow for the maximum ADA accessibility.



Newport City Park — Ages 5-12 Playground Equipment

The City Park has well-maintained picnic pavilions. The main pavilion has a restroom, ceiling fans, and a fireplace. There is parking right in front of the pavilions and some open space behind. The pavilions are near the playground equipment. The following recommendations would enhance the playground:

- Remove several of the trees within the sight line of the pavilion to the playground so parents could have a clearer view of their children.
- Put several speed bumps on the road that children would have to cross to get from the pavilion to the playground.
- Relocate trees and line them up in a formal alley to provide a clear soft path for children to travel between the pavilion and the playground.
- To avoid the above suggestions, put two more jungle gym playgrounds closer to the pavilion



Newport City Park — Parking Lot and Pavilion

The City Park has two gazebos sitting on the grass. The following recommendations would enhance the playground:

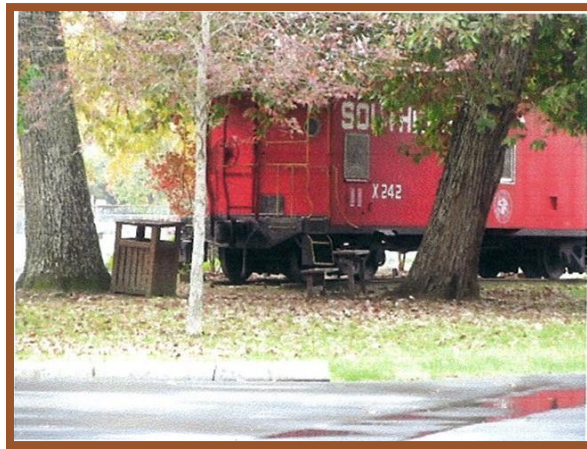
- Install paved paths from the walking trail to each of the gazebos.



Newport City Park: Gazebo

The City Park has incorporated a caboose into their landscaping. The caboose sits in the middle of a median that has shade trees and benches near it. The following recommendations would enhance the caboose:

- Have an ADA ramp that allows wheelchairs to get into the median to view the caboose.



Newport City Park — Caboose

The City Park has a mile-long asphalt walking trail. The pavement is in good repair and is actively used. The path could be a little wider to allow parents with strollers, or multiple people running together. The road and the walking trail are the same material and can be a little confusing. The following recommendations would enhance the playground:

- The asphalt walking trail could be replaced with concrete. This will give drivers a clear definition of the driving lane versus the walking trail.
- There could be more overhead lights lining the walking trail to ensure safety at dawn and dusk.



Newport City Park: Walking Trail

Accessibility

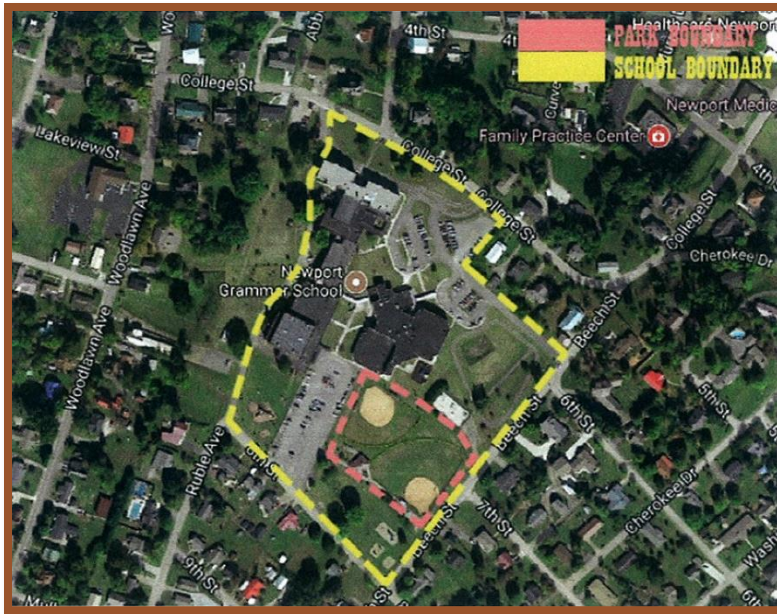
The overall site has good accessibility. A few areas need to be brought up to standard. The bleachers overlooking the football field are not accessible. A paved path should be installed to the bleachers for wheelchair access. The path will have to be carefully planned to avoid the softball field outfield. There are portable outfield fences that will prevent children from running onto the sidewalk. The pool at the park is a great addition that seems to get a lot of use in the summer. There are two playgrounds in the park. Both do not have the correct surfacing, and one of them does not have inclusive equipment.

To bring the site up to full compliance, the following improvements are needed:

- Make sure there is an ADA route to every node in the park.
- Safety:
 - ◆ Adding speed bumps to slow cars down.
 - ◆ There needs to be more overhead lights in the back of the park along the walking trails giving a sight line from the pavilions to the playground.
 - ◆ The playground surfacing needs to be updated to be ADA accessible.
 - ◆ The path type needs to change to differentiate driving from walking.

Newport Grammar School Sports Complex

Newport Grammar School Sports Complex is in the middle of Newport, Tennessee and is part of the Newport Grammar School elementary and middle school. The site offers a baseball field, a softball field, a skate park, and a playground. The restroom and concession building are situated perfectly in the middle of the site. The school has a baseball field and a softball field.



Newport Grammar School Sports Complex

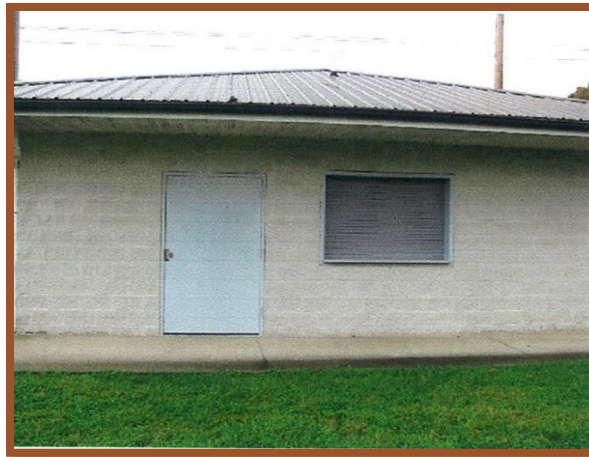
Infrastructure

The NGS baseball and softball fields look great. The park looks like it was constructed recently. There is one softball field and one baseball field. The parking is located at the school but has adequate stalls and enough designated ADA stalls. There is an accessible route from the parking to the fields, the concessions building, and the bathrooms. The fields are in great condition and do not need any improvements.



Newport Grammar School — Baseball Field

The 1,500-square-foot restroom building appears to have just been constructed at the same time as the fields. The building is located between the two fields, not far from Kiwanis Park. The facility is in great condition and does not need any improvements.



Newport Grammar School — Ballfields' Concession & Restroom Building

The NGS skate park is in great condition. The park looks like it was constructed recently. Adequate parking is located at the school with enough designated ADA stalls. There is an accessible route from the parking to the fields, the concessions building, and the bathrooms. The following recommendations would enhance the park:

- ADA accessible path leading to the park
- Lights



Newport Grammar School — Skate Park

The NGS Kiwanis Park infrastructure is in great condition. The park looks like it was constructed recently. The park offers activities for different age groups. The lighting at the park indicated that families use it while their other children are playing softball or baseball.



Newport Grammar School: Kiwanis Park

Accessibility

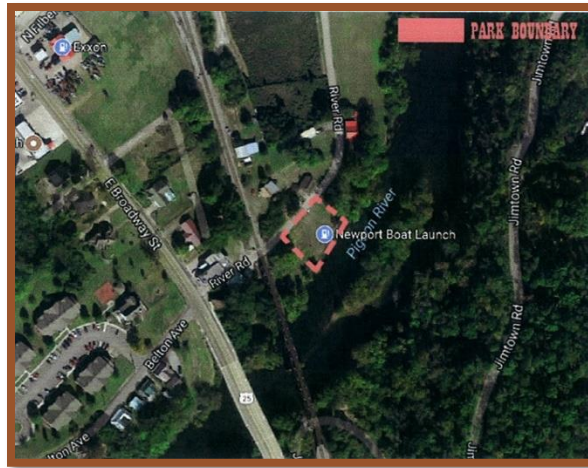
The accessibility of the overall site is great. There is a path that leads from the parking lot to the concession stand and restroom facility, and to the bleachers near one of the fields. There is no ADA path from the parking lot to the second field or from the field to the concession and restroom facility. The skate park itself is not accessible; there is no paved path to get to the facility. There is a gravel access drive, but it needs to be paved for a wheelchair to access it. A sidewalk that connects the fields, the access drive, the skate park, and the parking lot is recommended. The Kiwanis site needs many updates to make it accessible. The playground equipment accommodates different age groups but does not meet the needs of ADA. More equipment needs to be added closer to the ground. The surfacing needs to change, and there needs to be a paved path from the sidewalk to the playground.

To bring the site up to full compliance, the following improvements are needed:

- Install paved path from parking lot, concessions, and restroom facility to the second field.
- Install a paved ADA accessible path to the skate park.
- Install lights so users can skate a night while there is a late-night baseball game going on.
- Provide an ADA accessible path to the park.
- New playground surfacing.

Park to Float

The Park to Float site is an exceptional amenity along the Pigeon River in Newport, Tennessee. The site is a well-maintained parking lot that allows kayakers, swimmers, tubers, and other water sport users to access the river in a safe location. The park is one block off East Broadway Street. The park is attractive and in great repair. The ADA parking stalls are paved, striped, and have ramps to the restrooms, benches, and the overlook. The rest of the parking is not paved.



Park to Float Site

Infrastructure

The brand-new infrastructure is in great condition. The lawns are stable; the parking lot and river viewing deck are ADA accessible; the seating is appropriately placed; and the pavement is in good repair. The following recommendations would enhance the park:

- The park needs to add lighting in the parking lot, near the restroom facility, and near the river entrance to increase safety measures for the users.
- Pave the entire parking lot and provide stall lines.

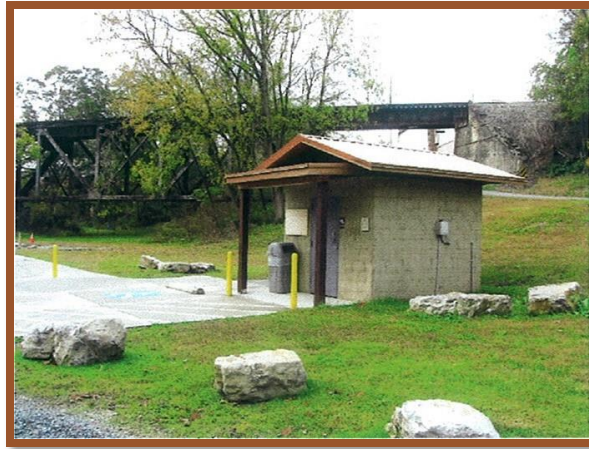


Park to Float Park Accessible ADA Parking Stalls



Park to Float Stairs and River Viewing Deck

The 100-square-foot restroom building was built within the last year and is ADA compliant. There is a paved path to the one stall unisex bathroom, which has a large door and braille signage.



Park to Float: Restroom

Accessibility

This site is very accessible. It features designated parking stalls for ADA and paved paths to all the park amenities. The restroom facility meets ADA standards. The rest of the parking lot should be paved for multiple users in need of ADA accessible routes.

The following improvements are needed to bring the site up to full compliance:

- The park needs to add lighting in the parking lot, near restroom facility, and near the river entrance to increase safety measures for the users.
- Pave the entire parking lot and provide stall lines.

Pet Milk Park

Pet Milk Park is a neighborhood park located in the residential section of Newport, Tennessee at the intersection of Lincoln Ave and 9th Street. The park is well maintained with a swing set, two slides, three small teeter totters, three benches, and one basketball court. The park services the middle residential section of Newport.



Pet Milk Park

Infrastructure

The infrastructure is well organized and maintained. The basketball court is not a regulation size but has the correct hoops, proper fencing and a small set of bleachers. The park's swing set, two slides and three small teeter-totters are playground equipment for children of a small age. There are three benches in the shade, and no sidewalks or paths. There are 11 parking stalls and 1 ADA stall. The following recommendations would enhance the park:

- The park needs lights, so residents can feel safe while using the park at night.
- The playground is for children under the age of five; the park needs more playground equipment that can accommodate ages 5-12.
- Paved paths need to be installed to provide ADA accessibility from the parking lot to the basketball court, the playground equipment, and the benches.
- Playground equipment that can accommodate children from the ages of 5-12 could be installed to attract more users.



Pet Milk Park — Playground and Open Space

The infrastructure is well organized and maintained. The basketball court is not a regulation size but has the correct hoops, proper fencing, and a small set of bleachers. The following recommendations would enhance the basketball court:

- The park needs lighting to improve safety at night.



Pet Milk Park — Basketball Court

Accessibility

The site falls short of ADA standards. The parking lot has ADA stalls with signs, however, the basketball court is the only accessible amenity. There is no paved path from the parking lot to the playground equipment. The playground surfacing is not suitable for ADA, nor is there ADA equipment for children in need.

To bring the site up to full compliance, the following improvements are needed:

- Paved paths need to be installed to provide ADA accessibility from the parking lot to the basketball court, the playground equipment, and the benches.
- The park should have lighting to improve safety at night.



Pet Milk Park — ADA Routes



Pet Milk Park — Parking Lot

White Oak Park

White Oak Park is a neighborhood park in the heart of Newport, Tennessee’s residential section. The park is offset from the street and is surrounded by multiple evergreen trees that impair visibility. There is no real parking on site, just street parking. The park has one basketball court, one slide, one swing set, and one bench.



White Oak Park

Infrastructure

The infrastructure needs upgrades. With no street presence, this small pocket park is easy to miss while driving. The park does not appear to be used and has fallen under disrepair. Because this is a pocket park, there is no designated parking, only street parking. The following recommendations would enhance the park:

- The slide, swing set, and bench all need to be replaced. New equipment needs to be installed to accommodate more children of different age groups.



White Oak Park — Playground and Basketball Court

Accessibility

There is no accessibility at this park. There is no parking. There is no paved path to the playground equipment, no accessible playground equipment, and only steps to the basketball court. The entire park needs to be redesigned to meet ADA standards.

To bring the site up to full compliance, the following improvements are needed:

- New playground equipment needs to be installed.
- The basketball court needs new nets on the goal.

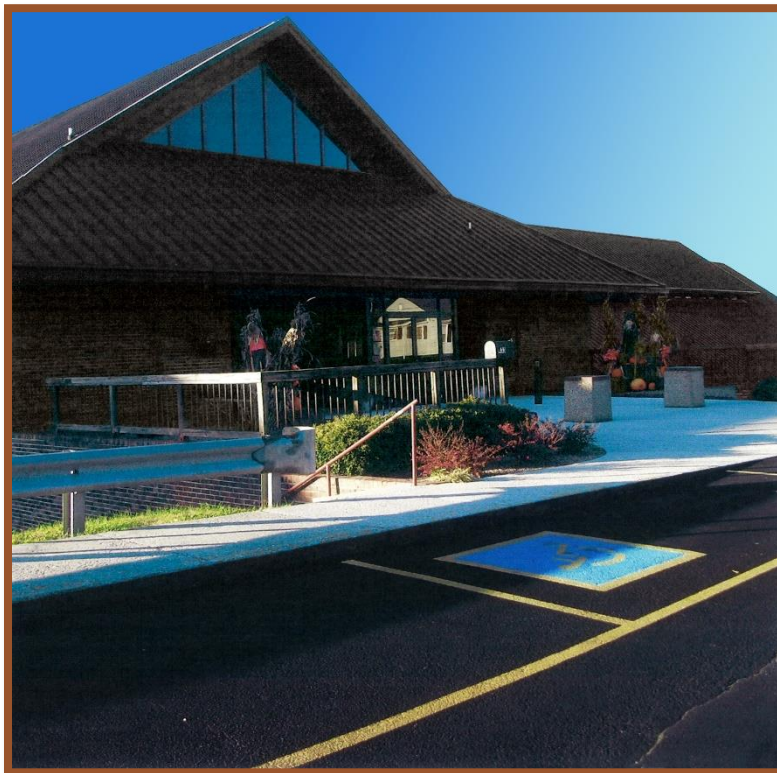
- Paved paths need to be installed for ADA accessible from the entrance to the playground equipment and the basketball court.
- The playground surfacing needs to be updated to become ADA accessible.

Newport Community Center



Name of Building:	Newport Community Center, 433 Prospect Ave., Newport, TN 37821			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. (see photo 1465)
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 38,300 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) (see photo 1405)
Use of structure		X		Community Activity Center: basketball, swimming, meeting spaces, weight room, gaming, etc.
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: heavy timber wood framing and wood deck
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		The 2001 roof will likely need to be replaced and consideration should be given to budgeting for this work.
Fenestrations		X		Hollow metal painted windows. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition.
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage. Wood fascia trim, soffit, and railing components are all in reasonable condition, but the damaged pieces should be replaced (0-3 yrs) (see photos 1501, 1511)
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems		X		Gas heaters (7-10 yrs), Electric central A/C (7-10 yrs), Rooftop units
Electrical systems		X		Information was not made available regarding the electrical system. Service appears to be adequate for the current use of the facility.
Safety and security		X		No special system is in place. Standard door locks.
ADA violations			X	Parking signage – minor issue
ADA appropriate signage			X	Parking lot signage – exterior and interior signage does not appear to meet the intent of the ADA requirements (see photo 1519)
ADA space for spectator participation		X		HC seating and companion seating is not available.

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Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
ADA building accessibility			X	Entry at building and through corridors is adequate. Access to the main entry locations from adjacent parking does not meet current standards.
ADA facilities and equipment		X		All activity spaces are accessible; however, the size of the existing elevator does not meet current accessibility standards.
ADA water fountains			X	Number, location, and type of water cooler does not meet current accessibility standards (<i>see photo 1489</i>).
ADA concessions			X	The interior of the concessions area was not available; therefore, we cannot confirm whether the working side is HC accessible.
ADA counters		X		No specific area identified
ADA toilet rooms		X		Meets current requirements (<i>see photos 1462, 1463, 1473</i>)
Additional Thoughts				
				Facilities are in good working condition. Exterior steps are missing handrailing to meet current standards.





Building Observations — Parks and Recreations Services
 Project No: 17054
 Date: 12/5/2017

Preliminary Estimate of Probable Cost — Newport Community Center

Description of Work	Cost	Quantity	Units	Cost per unit
ADA parking lot signage Only accessible spaces are on street – not enough	\$350.00	2	ea	\$175.00
ADA Building Accessibility				
Main parking to entry is not accessible	\$7,500.00	300	lf	\$25.00
Elevator is not accessible – cab too small	requires additional investigation			
ADA toilet rooms – main floor	\$10,000.00	2	ea	\$5,000.00
ADA drinking fountains (remove and replace)	\$6,400.00	2	ea	\$3,200.00
Subtotal	\$23,900.00			
General conditions of 10%	\$2,390.00			
O & P of 5%	\$1,314.50			
Estimated contingency of 20%	\$5,520.90			
Total	\$33,125.40			

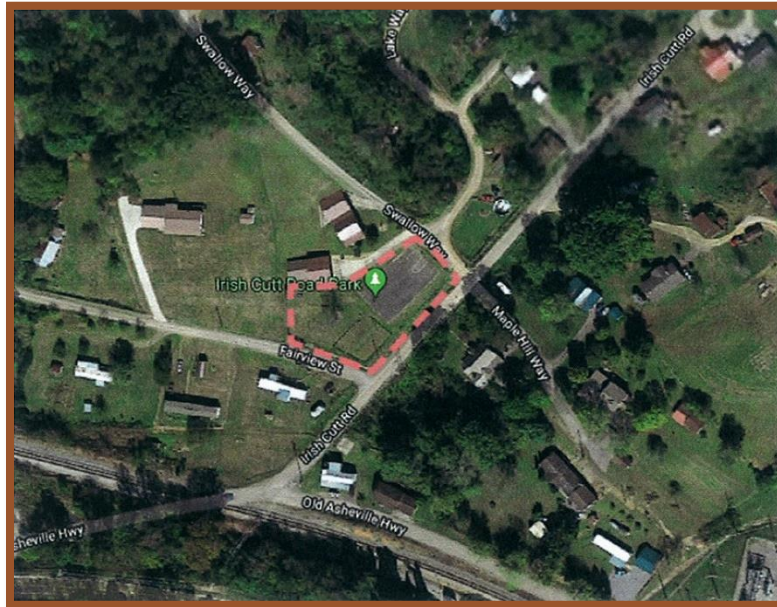
This Preliminary Estimate of Probable Cost is based on estimated 2017 material and labor costs. This estimate should be used for general planning purposes only and should not be used as a proposal for construction services.



5.1.2. Cocke County Facilities

Irish Cutt Road Park

Irish Cutt Road Park is on Irish Cutt Road in Newport, Tennessee. It is the only park property owned and maintained by the County. Sitting between two houses, the park does not have any presence or appropriate signage for disability. The park has a basketball court, a swing set, and a monkey bar set that sits in the open grass.



Irish Cutt Road Park

Infrastructure

The basketball court is in decent shape but needs a few repairs. The nets need to be replaced, and the major cracks in the middle of the court need to be repaired. The grading of the court is good without a lot of standing water on it. The hoop was in the right location, and the fencing around the court was good. The fence has barbed wire which does not give the park an inviting feeling. There are four benches and three trashcans near the court for spectators. The following recommendations would enhance the basketball court:

- Some major cracks in the asphalt need to be fixed.
- The nets on the hoops need to be replaced.



Irish Cutt Road Park — Basketball Court

The park has a monkey bar set that is in the corner of the park. There are two benches near the bars for parent seating. The bars are just randomly placed in the field. This is the only piece of playground equipment and is not ADA accessible. The park has a swing set with eight swings. The set is in good condition. The swings are enclosed with a rubber curb. The following recommendations would enhance the park:

- The park has the space to offer more playground equipment and should to accommodate more children.



Irish Cutt Road Park — Playground



Irish Cutt Road Park — Swing Set

Accessibility

The park is lacking ADA accessibility and equipment for children to use. There is no parking for the park; there needs to be paved ADA parking, stall lines, and signs. Paved paths should be installed from the parking lot to the new playground with the appropriate surfacing, and to the basketball court. A wider variety of playground equipment is recommended.

- Need to have ADA parking, accessibility, and equipment throughout the park.
- Fix cracks in basketball asphalt and replace the nets.
- The playground surfacing needs to be updated to allow for the best ADA accessibility.

Bridgeport Elementary School Gymnasium



Name of Building:	Bridgeport Elementary School, 1935 Edwina Bridgeport Road, Newport, TN 37821			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. (<i>see photo 1411</i>)
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 8,600 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) (<i>see photo 1405</i>)
Use of structure		X		Gymnasium/toilets
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: steel frame metal building assembly
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		The 2001 roof will likely need to be replaced and consideration should be given to budgeting for this work.
Fenestrations		X		No windows. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition.
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage.
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems				
Electrical systems				
Safety and security				
ADA violations				
ADA appropriate signage				
ADA space for spectator participation				
ADA building accessibility				
ADA facilities and equipment				
ADA water fountains				
ADA concessions				

Name of Building:	Bridgeport Elementary School, 1935 Edwina Bridgeport Road, Newport, TN 37821			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
ADA counters				
ADA toilet rooms				
Additional Thoughts				



Bridgeport Elementary School — Gymnasium

Centerview Elementary School Gymnasium



Name of Building:	Centerview Elementary School, 2400 Highway 160, Newport, TN 37821			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. (see photo 1381)
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 8,600 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) (see photo 1382)
Use of structure		X		Gymnasium/toilets
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: steel joists and metal deck
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		2000 & 2015 — The 2000 roof will likely need to be replaced and consideration should be given to budgeting for this work.
Fenestrations		X		High bay windows with translucent glazing. Units appear to be in good condition. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition. (see photo 1834)
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage.
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems		X		Gas heaters (7-10 yrs), Electric central A/C (7-10 yrs), Rooftop units (see photo 1383)
Electrical systems				Information was not made available regarding the electrical system. Service appears to be adequate for the current use of the facility.
Safety and security		X		
ADA violations			X	Parking signage – minor issue
ADA appropriate signage		X		Parking lot signage (see photos 1397, 1398) — exterior and interior signage does appear to meet the intent of the ADA requirements.
ADA space for spectator participation		X		HC seating and companion seating is available (see photo 1386)
ADA building accessibility		X		Entry into building and through corridors is adequate.

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Date:	28 Nov 17				
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture				
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace	
ADA facilities and equipment		X			Meet current requirements.
ADA water fountains		X			Meet current requirements.
ADA concessions				X	The interior of the concessions area was not available; therefore, we cannot confirm whether the working side is HC accessible.
ADA counters		X			No specific area identified (<i>see photo 1395</i>)
ADA toilet rooms		X			Meet current requirements (<i>see photos 1389, 1391</i>)
Additional Thoughts					
					Facilities are in good working condition.



Centerview Elementary School — Gymnasium

Del Rio Elementary School Gymnasium



Name of Building:	Del Rio Elementary School, 500 TN Highway 107, Del Rio, TN 37727			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. (see photos 1412, 1421)
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 10,300 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) (see photo 1415)
Use of structure		X		Gymnasium/toilets
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: steel joists and metal deck
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		2010-2012
Fenestrations		X		No windows. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition.
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage.
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems		X		Gas heaters (7-10 yrs), Electric central A/C (7-10 yrs), Rooftop units
Electrical systems				Information was not made available regarding the electrical system. Service appears to be adequate for the current use of the facility.
Safety and security		X		No special system is in place. Standard door locks.
ADA violations		X		Parking signage – none noted
ADA appropriate signage		X		Parking lot signage (see photo 1421) — exterior and interior signage does appear to meet the intent of the ADA requirements.
ADA space for spectator participation		X		HC seating and companion seating is available.
ADA building accessibility		X		Entry into building and through corridors is adequate.
ADA facilities and equipment		X		Meet current requirements.
ADA water fountains		X		Meet current requirements.

Name of Building:	Del Rio Elementary School, 500 TN Highway 107, Del Rio, TN 37727			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
ADA concessions				X
ADA counters		X		
ADA toilet rooms		X		
Additional Thoughts				
				Facilities are in good working condition.



Del Rio Elementary School — Gymnasium

Edgemont Elementary School Gymnasium



Name of Building:	Edgemont Elementary School, 375 Carson Springs Road, Newport, TN 37821			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. <i>(see photos 1361, 1364)</i>
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 8,900 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) <i>(see photo 1353)</i>
Use of structure		X		Gymnasium/toilets
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: steel joists and metal deck
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		2010 and 2015 — The 2000 roof will likely need to be replaced very soon, and consideration should be given to budgeting for this work. This roofing will indeed affect the gymnasium portion of the building.
Fenestrations		X		No windows. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition.
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage.
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems		X		Gas heaters (7-10 yrs), Electric central A/C (7-10 yrs), Rooftop units <i>(see photo 1363)</i>
Electrical systems				Information was not made available regarding the electrical system. Service appears to be adequate for the current use of the facility.
Safety and security		X		No special system is in place. Standard door locks.
ADA violations			X	Parking signage – minor issue
ADA appropriate signage		X		Parking lot signage <i>(see photo 1421)</i> — exterior and interior signage does appear to meet the intent of the ADA requirements.
ADA space for spectator participation		X		HC seating and companion seating is available.
ADA building accessibility		X		Entry into building and through corridors is adequate.

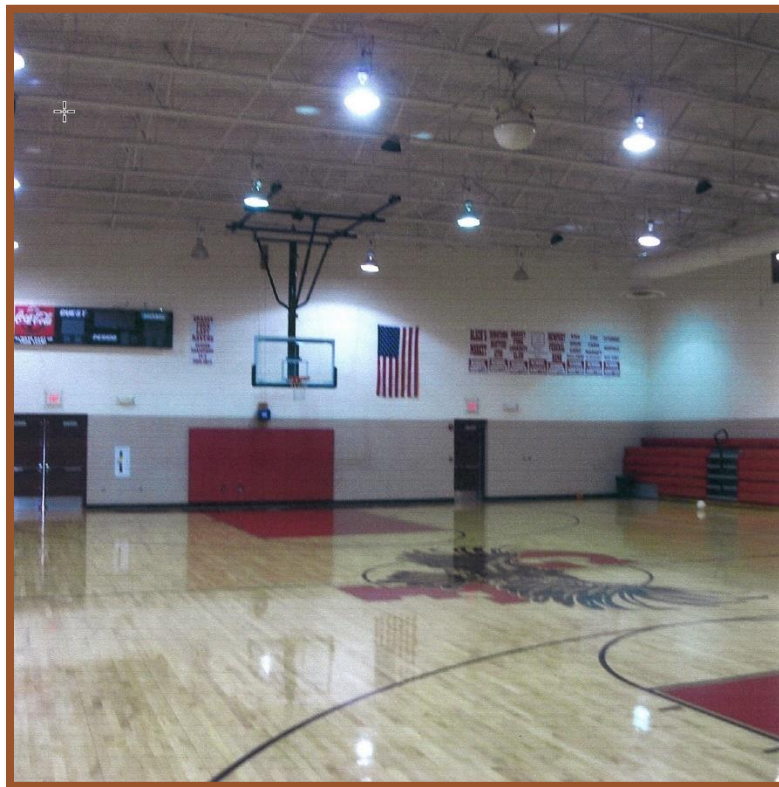
Name of Building:	Edgemont Elementary School, 375 Carson Springs Road, Newport, TN 37821				
Date:	28 Nov 17				
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture				
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace	
ADA facilities and equipment		X			Meet current requirements.
ADA water fountains		X			Meet current requirements.
ADA concessions				X	The interior of the concessions area was not available; therefore, we cannot confirm whether the working side is HC accessible.
ADA counters		X			No specific area identified
ADA toilet rooms		X			Meet current requirements (<i>see photos 1418, 1420</i>)
Additional Thoughts					
					Facilities are in good working condition.

Grassy Fork Elementary School Gymnasium



Name of Building:	Grassy Fork Elementary School, 4120 Big Creek Road, Hartford, TN 37821			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. (see photo 1422)
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 8,900 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) (see photo 1428)
Use of structure		X		Gymnasium/toilets
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: steel joists and metal deck
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		2002
Fenestrations		X		No windows. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition.
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage.
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems		X		Gas heaters (7-10 yrs), Electric central A/C (7-10 yrs), Rooftop units
Electrical systems				Information was not made available regarding the electrical system. Service appears to be adequate for the current use of the facility.
Safety and security		X		No special system is in place. Standard door locks.
ADA violations			X	Parking signage and slope/transitions into the building – minor issues
ADA appropriate signage		X		Parking lot signage (see photo 1436) — exterior and interior signage does appear to meet the intent of the ADA requirements.
ADA space for spectator participation		X		HC seating and companion seating is available.
ADA building accessibility		X		Entry into building and through corridors is adequate.
ADA facilities and equipment		X		Meet current requirements
ADA water fountains		X		Meet current requirements (see photo 1434)

Name of Building:	Grassy Fork Elementary School, 4120 Big Creek Road, Hartford, TN 37821				
Date:	28 Nov 17				
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture				
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace	
ADA concessions				X	The interior of the concessions area was not available; therefore, we cannot confirm whether the working side is HC accessible.
ADA counters		X			No specific area identified (<i>see photo 1433</i>)
ADA toilet rooms		X			Meet current requirements (<i>see photo 1425</i>)
Additional Thoughts					
					Facilities are in good working condition.



Grassy Fork Elementary School — Gymnasium

Northwest Elementary School Softball Field



Northwest Elementary School

The softball field is in decent shape. The fence is in good repair but does not have a proactive topper. The outfield is graded properly and allows for good drainage. There is no ADA path leading to the field or restroom from the parking lot. Power is mainly distributed overhead which helps contribute to the lighting on the field. The dugouts and bleachers are in decent shape. The bleachers need ADA accessibility. The parking for this field is at the elementary school. The pavement is in good repair with ADA stalls. The following recommendations would enhance the field:

- There should be a path from the parking lot to the bleachers and the restroom.
- The fence should have a protective fence topper.



Northwest Elementary School — Ballfields

It is not clear that the 300 square-foot restroom facility is part of the park. There is no ADA path leading directly to the facility. The restroom is far from the field and might be inconvenient for someone in a wheelchair.



Northwest Elementary School — Restroom at Ballfields

Accessibility

The site is not very accessible. The softball field bleachers and restroom facility do not have an ADA accessible path from the parking lot. Paved paths need to be installed to ensure all amenities are accessible.

To bring the site up to full compliance, the following improvements are needed:

- Install a paved path from the parking lot to the bleachers and restroom facility.

Parrottsville Elementary School Gymnasium



Name of Building:	Parrottsville Elementary School, 1901 Old Parrottsville Highway, Parrottsville, TN 37843			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. <i>(see photo 1480)</i>
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 8,800 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) <i>(see photo 1365)</i>
Use of structure		X		Gymnasium/toilets
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: steel joists and metal deck
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		2002 and 2012
Fenestrations		X		No windows. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition.
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage.
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems		X		Gas heaters (7-10 yrs), Electric central A/C (7-10 yrs), Rooftop units
Electrical systems				Information was not made available regarding the electrical system. Service appears to be adequate for the current use of the facility.
Safety and security		X		No special system is in place. Standard door locks.
ADA violations			X	Parking signage and slope/transitions into the building – minor issues
ADA appropriate signage		X		Parking lot signage <i>(see photo 1379)</i> — exterior and interior signage does appear to meet the intent of the ADA requirements.
ADA space for spectator participation		X		HC seating and companion seating is available <i>(see photo 1366)</i> .
ADA building accessibility		X		Entry into building and through corridors is adequate.
ADA facilities and equipment		X		Meet current requirements.
ADA water fountains		X		Meet current requirements.

Name of Building:	Parrottsville Elementary School, 1901 Old Parrottsville Highway, Parrottsville, TN 37843			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
ADA concessions				X
ADA counters		X		
ADA toilet rooms		X		
Additional Thoughts				
Facilities are in good working condition.				



Parrottsville Elementary School — Gymnasium



Parrottsville Elementary School — Parking

Smoky Mountain Elementary School Gymnasium



Name of Building:	Smoky Mountain Elementary School, 135 South Highway 32, Cosby, TN 37722			
Date:	28 Nov 17			
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture			
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace
Checklist Items				
General Building Infrastructure:		X		Building is generally in good condition for its age. (see photo 1442)
Information				
Approximate size				Approx. 8,600 s.f. (includes gym, corridors to toilets/drinking fountains and toilet rooms) (see photo 1365)
Use of structure		X		Gymnasium/toilets
Construction type		X		Walls: load bearing CMU and brick veneer; Roof: pre-engineered steel frame
General Impressions				
Is something missing?				No missing items or components were readily notable.
Does the facility appear adequate?	Y			Adequate for current facility use
What could be done to improve?				None noted
Structure				
Foundation		X		No apparent problematic issues
Roofing		X		2016 new roof — metal
Fenestrations		X		No windows. Aluminum storefront doors from exterior, access adjacent corridor and hollow metal doors provide direct emergency egress to the exterior. All openings are in acceptable condition.
Exterior walls and finishes		X		Masonry appears to be in good condition with no apparent cracks or water damage.
Special equipment		X		Existing gymnasium equipment appears to be in working condition.
Mechanical systems		X		Gas heaters (7-10 yrs), Electric central A/C (7-10 yrs)
Electrical systems				Information was not made available regarding the electrical system. Service appears to be adequate for the current use of the facility.
Safety and security		X		No special system is in place. Standard door locks.
ADA violations			X	Parking signage and slope/transitions into the building – minor issues
ADA appropriate signage			X	Parking lot signage (see photos 1447, 1457) — exterior not critical but does not meet code. Interior signage does appear to meet the intent of the ADA requirements.
ADA space for spectator participation		X		HC seating and companion seating is available (see photo 1446).

Name of Building:	Smoky Mountain Elementary School, 135 South Highway 32, Cosby, TN 37722				
Date:	28 Nov 17				
Assessment performed by:	Cope Architecture				
	Y/N	Adequate	Needs Improvement	Replace	
ADA building accessibility		X			Entry into building and through corridors is adequate.
ADA facilities and equipment		X			Meet current requirements.
ADA water fountains		X			Meet current requirements.
ADA concessions				X	The interior of the concessions area was not available; therefore, we cannot confirm whether the working side is HC accessible.
ADA counters		X			Meet current requirements (<i>see photo 1443</i>).
ADA toilet rooms		X			Meet current requirements (<i>see photos 1449, 1451</i>).
Additional Thoughts					
					Facilities are in good working condition.



Smoky Mountain Elementary School — Gymnasium

5.1.3. Overall Existing Conditions Assessment Findings

- Newport’s Bryant Town Park is under construction and was not evaluated.
- Newport has three types of parks
 - ◆ City Parks — Newport City and NGS Sports Complex
 - ◆ Neighborhood Parks — Fifth and Filbert Park, Pet Milk Park, and White Oak Park
 - ◆ Linear Parks — Eva Sexton Park and “Park to Float” Park (when extended)
- Newport has an excellent community center that is well used and maintained.
- In general, Newport has well-maintained parks that offer a variety of amenities. The City also has two parks that need to be refurbished:
 - ◆ Bryant Town is currently under construction.
 - ◆ White Oak should also be addressed.
- The parks do have some ADA pathway issues, but restroom and concessions buildings are ADA compliant.
- The County has one park property in Newport (Irish Cutt Road Park) that should be closed. There are many liability, ADA, and extraordinary maintenance issues that would not allow refurbishment of the park to be cost effective.
- The Cocke County Elementary School gymnasiums that are available for public use are in excellent condition, well-maintained, and ADA compliant.

5.2. National Metrics

The *2017 NRPA Agency Performance Review, Parks and Recreation Agency Performance Benchmarks* report provides national metrics for parks and recreation. The metrics are presented as median, lower quartile, and upper quartile for number of parks and park acreage for parks and recreation facilities across the United States between 2014 and 2016. The two-metrics used to assess Newport and Cocke County parks and recreation facilities are the median number of residents per park and the median acres of parkland per 1,000 residents.*

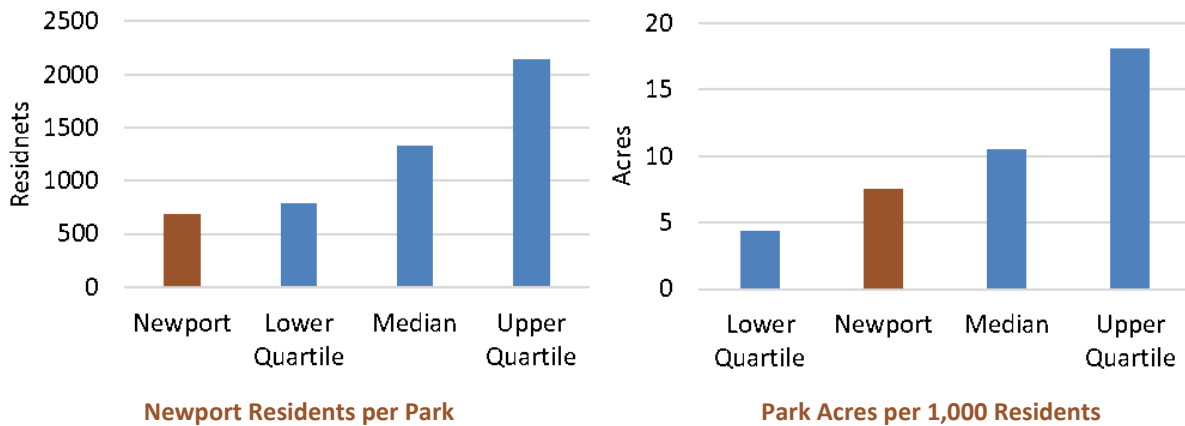
*Please note: The analysis of park acres in Cocke County for both National metrics and benchmark community comparison does not include all parks in Cocke County, but rather those managed by Cocke County and the Cocke County School Department, which at the time of this plan include facilities at Cocke County Schools and Irish Cutt Road Park.

5.2.1. Newport

The City of Newport has 10 parks, and an estimated 2016 population of 6,856²⁷. When compared to the median, Newport has about 48% fewer residents per park. The median for jurisdictions with fewer than 20,000 people is one park for every 1,331 residents. Newport has an estimated 686 residents per park.

Newport has 29% fewer acres of park land per 1,000 residents when compared to the median. The median for jurisdictions with fewer than 20,000 people is 10.5 acres per 1,000 residents, while Newport provides 7.5 acres per 1,000 residents.

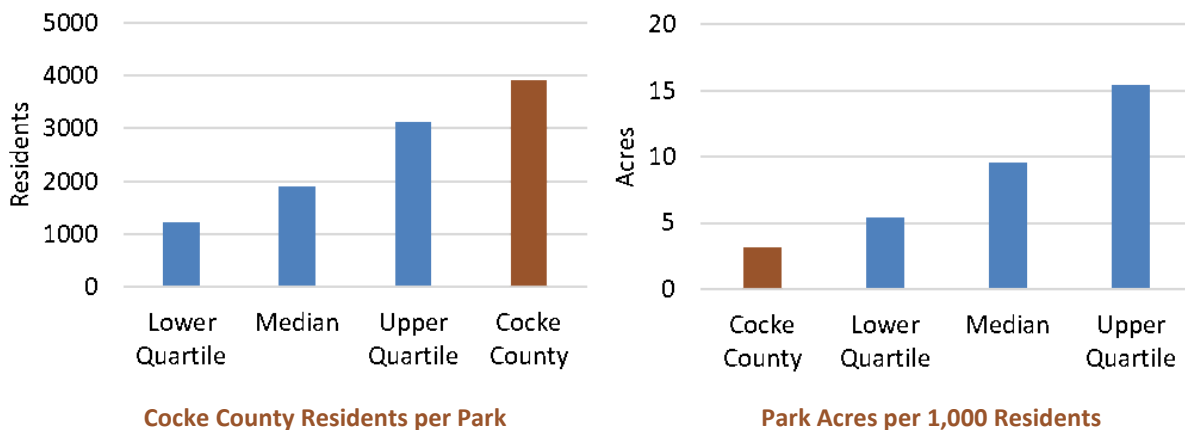
²⁷<https://factfinder.census.gov>



5.2.2. Cocke County

When compared to the median, Cocke County has over twice as many residents per park. The median for jurisdictions with 20,000 to 50,000 people is one park for every 1,901 residents. Cocke County has an estimated 3,917 residents per park.

Cocke County has a third as many acres of park land per 1,000 residents when compared to the median. The median for jurisdictions with 20,000 to 50,000 people is 9.6 acres per 1,000 residents, while Cocke County provides 3.2 acres per 1,000 residents.



5.3. Community Comparison

To understand how well existing parks, programming, and services are meeting the needs of community residents, comparison was made to three similarly sized jurisdictions in Tennessee for Newport and Cocke County.

5.3.1. Newport

All three of the communities used to analyze Newport have a population between 5,001 and 10,000, the same population thresholds used in the 2011-2012 Tennessee Recreation Services Study (August 2012). All three communities are *rural* in nature (not within a Metropolitan Statistical Area). One of the communities, Hancock County, is a Tier 4 County as classified by the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. The other two communities are in Tier 4 counties. Two of the three communities (Hancock County and LaFollette) are currently conducting similar studies, funded by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.

The three jurisdictions used in this comparative analysis are as follows:

Hancock County

Hancock County is in eastern Tennessee on the Virginia border. The county has an area of 223 square miles, and an estimated 2016 population of 6,609 residents.¹

Lafollette

Lafollette is in eastern Tennessee, in Campbell County. The community has an area of 5 square miles, and an estimated 2016 population of 7,131 residents.¹

Dayton

Dayton is in eastern Tennessee, in Rhea County. The community has an area of 6 square miles, and an estimated 2016 population of 7,308 residents.¹

The following sections compare demographics, park acreage, and park facilities in these three communities with those in Newport:

Demographics

Between 2009 and 2016, the estimated population in Newport decreased 8%. Population changes in Hancock County and Lafollette were similar to Newport, both of which saw their populations decrease slightly. Population in Dayton increased slightly (9%) over that same period.

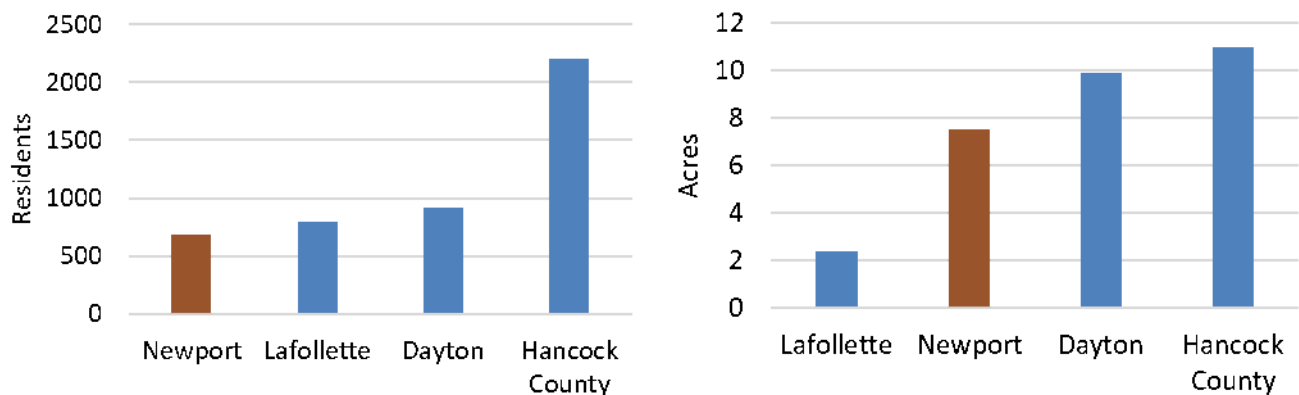
Median age estimated for Hancock County and Lafollette remain similar to Newport, while the median age estimated in Dayton was somewhat younger in 2016.

Newport's population is comprised of 95% white/Caucasian, and 5% minority populations. Hancock County, Lafollette, and Dayton have a similar racial composition, all of which contained 11% minority populations or less. As reference, Tennessee as a whole is comprised of 78% white/Caucasian, and 22% minority populations.

Estimated home values in Newport, which increased slightly between 2009 and 2016, remain higher than those in Hancock County and Lafollette, and lower than those in Dayton.

Park Facilities

To evaluate Newport's parks in relation to the parks in the three communities described above, the number of residents per park and park acres per 1,000 residents was compared. As discussed in section 5.2, a similar comparison as was used in the *2017 NRPA Agency Performance Review, Parks and Recreation Agency Performance Benchmarks* report.



Newport Benchmark Community Comparison

With 10 parks across the city, Newport has fewer residents per park than the three comparison communities. Newport's 7.5 acres of park land per 1,000 residents was greater than the acres per 1,000 residents in LaFollette but less than the acres per 1,000 residents in Dayton and Hancock County.

5.3.2. Coker County

All three of the counties used to analyze Coker County have a population between 25,001 and 50,000, the same population thresholds used in the 2011-2012 Tennessee Recreation Services Study (August 2012). All three communities are Tier 4 counties as classified by the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. All three of the Counties were also part of a similar planning process funded by the 2017 Master Planning Grant.

The three jurisdictions used in this comparative analysis are as follows:

McNairy County

McNairy County is in western Tennessee, on the border of Mississippi. The county has an area of 564 square miles, and an estimated 2016 population of 26,057 residents.

Claiborne County

Claiborne County is in eastern Tennessee, bordering Kentucky and Virginia. The county has an area of 442 square miles, and an estimated 2016 population of 31,701 residents.

Campbell County

Campbell County is in eastern Tennessee, on the border of Kentucky. The community has an area of 498 square miles, and an estimated 2016 population of 40,008 residents.

The following sections compare demographics, park acreage, and park facilities in these three communities with those in Coker County:

Demographics

Between 2007 and 2016, the estimated population in Coker County increased slightly (0.6%). The population trends in McNairy County, Claiborne County, and Campbell County were similar over this period, all of which saw their populations grow by 3% or less. Median age in the three comparison counties remains similar to median age in Coker County.

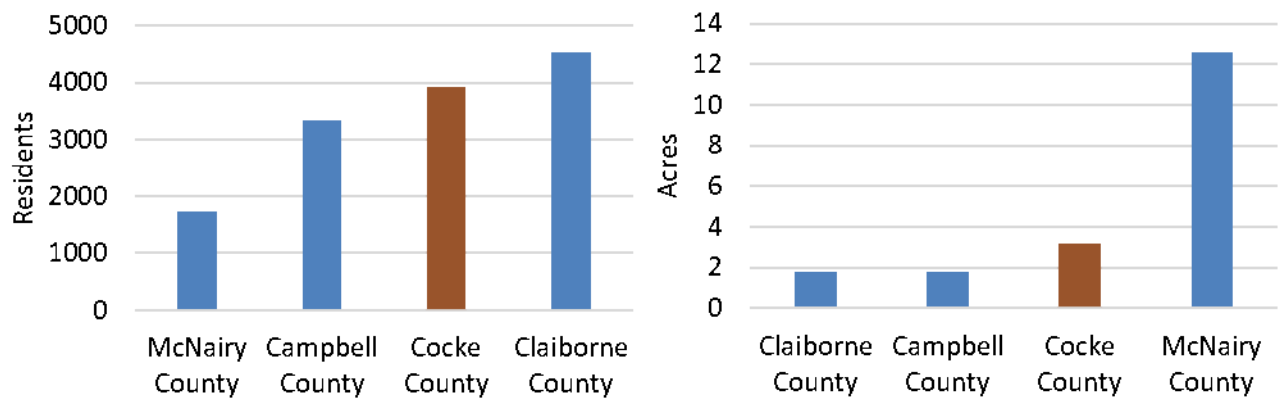
Coker County's population is comprised of 95% white/Caucasian, and 5% minority populations. McNairy County, Claiborne County, and Campbell County have a similar racial composition, all of which contained less than 10% minority populations. As reference, Tennessee as a whole is comprised of 78% white/Caucasian, and 22% minority populations.

Estimated home values in Coker County, which increased significantly between 2007 and 2016, remain higher than those in McNairy and Campbell Counties and slightly lower than those in Claiborne County.

Park Facilities

To evaluate Coker County's parks in relation to the parks in the three communities described above, the number of residents per park and park acres per 1,000 residents was compared. As discussed in section 5.2, a

similar comparison as was used in the 2017 NRPA Agency Performance Review, Parks and Recreation Agency Performance Benchmarks report.



Cocke County Benchmark Community Comparison

Cocke County has more residents per park than in McNairy County and Campbell County, and fewer residents per park than in Claiborne County. Cocke County’s 3.2 acres of park land per 1,000 residents is less than the park acres per 1,000 residents in McNairy County, but greater than the park acres per 1,000 residents in Claiborne and Campbell Counties.

5.3.3. Findings

Newport and Cocke County both have similar demographic characteristics to the comparison communities. As with communities across the country, these jurisdictions should ensure that their parks provide accessible amenities for an aging baby boomer population. Newport compared well to both national metrics and similar communities in number of residents per park and acres of park per 1,000 residents. While Cocke County was similar to the comparison communities, it did not compare as well to national metrics. As noted above, the park acres in Cocke County considered in this study only include those managed by the County. If all park acres in Newport, Parrottsville, and the unincorporated communities were to be included, the statistics for Cocke County would certainly change.

5.4. Public Input Priorities

Through surveys, public workshops, and interviews, public feedback was gathered regarding an assessment of existing parks and development of future parks and recreation facilities.

5.4.1. Findings

Major themes heard during the public input process are as follows:

- Improve river access for swimming, boating, kayaking and rafting
- Develop splash pads/water parks
- Provide more paths for hiking, walking, and running
- Maintain and upgrade existing parks
- Provide more activities/classes
- Develop bike trails and bike lanes
- Central ballfield complex for County

5.5 Prioritization of Needs

The following prioritization of needs correlates directly to the findings of the needs assessment in Section 5.1 through Section 5.4, and in particular, those *Findings of Public Input Priorities* identified in the List 5.4.1 of the previous section. Overall, according to comparisons with national metrics, there is evidence that there is a need for additional parks in Cocke County. The Cocke County Partnership is currently involved in the early development phase of investigation and feasibility relative to a new sports facility that could potentially result in over one hundred additional acres of recreational opportunities for the County. Known as Project All-Star, the initiative could become a joint effort between Cocke County Economic Development and a national developer of sports facilities. The public/private partnership envisions a project that will consist of four primary developments:

1. Outdoor sports complex (6-8 baseball/softball fields)Indoor multi-use arena (basketball, volleyball, gymnastics, cheerleading, concerts, etc.)
3. Supporting hospitality and retail development
4. Supporting municipal improvements (sidewalks, streetscapes, pedestrian bridge)

Market analysis and feasibility studies, as well as *pro-forma* for the first five years of operation, have been completed. The findings of these preliminary studies have been very positive. However, there are many steps in the process that are still being investigated relative to sites, financing, capital improvements, etc. There is not a specific timeframe for development, but if the economic indicators continue to look favorable, it is not unrealistic to forecast a ground breaking sometime within the next five years.

Improving river access for swimming, boating, kayaking, and rafting was also a sentiment expressed often during the public input process. The County Mayor's office has indicated that this is also a concern and a priority for the current administration. The TWRA currently operates and maintains only six boat access points in Cocke County (*see Section 3.3.2*). This number is far less than the number available in neighboring counties. The Nolichucky, the French Broad, and Pigeon rivers are very popular attractions, and additional access points could be an important economic development tool, especially for an economically-distressed county.

The City of Newport currently has plans to add additional area to its two linear parks along the Pigeon River: Eva Sexton Park and the Park to Float facility. At Eva Sexton Park, the City plans to extend the riverwalk to the east to a location the City has designated as a trailhead and to the west to the Old Mill/Brownfield site. When completed, the riverwalk will be an approximately one-mile stretch of path with access to the river. At Newport's Park to Float facility, the City intends to extend a path along the northern bank of the Pigeon River for a distance of 1,200 linear feet that will also increase access to the river.

Although the State provides only three access points to the Pigeon River for watercraft, the private sector has filled the gap in availability in the Hartford community. There are eleven rafting companies currently operating whitewater rafting excursions on the Pigeon River in Hartford. The outfitters provide rafts and transportation to the TWRA boat access point off Interstate 40 in Cocke County, just a few feet from the Tennessee/North Carolina state line. The rafters experience an hour and a half whitewater trip along six river miles to private facilities in Hartford. In the 1990s, the County Commission voted to levy a tax of \$2.00-per-raft on commercial rafting that currently accounts for about \$400,000 annually in revenue to the County's general fund. In recognition of this valuable economic development asset, the Cocke County Partnership applied for and received a 2017 Asset Enhancement Grant from the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development (TNECD). The grant is funding a master plan to enhance the visitor experience in the Hartford community by planning for new public infrastructure, guidelines for future private development, and marketing. The planning process is currently

underway by a team of design professionals, and the final plan should be available shortly after the adoption of this park and recreation planning document.

Providing trails and paths for biking, hiking, walking, and running was a major theme heard from the public during the planning process. The City of Newport and the Cocke County Partnership are engaging in a number of measures to develop or improve trails and paths in the region. As mentioned above, the City of Newport is planning on developing sections of the riverwalk at Eva Sexton Park west to the Oldmill/Brownfield site and east to a new trailhead along the Pigeon River, as well as a riverfront trail extending from the Park to Float facility. The City also recently submitted an application for state funding for a downtown revitalization plan focused on improving infrastructure to promote a walkable, bikeable, pedestrian-friendly area. The City has already initiated or supported multiple planning efforts towards this end, including a downtown market opportunity assessment; a TDOT-funded bike and pedestrian plan for downtown; a sidewalk project to connect from the existing walkable infrastructure to the Cocke County High School campus; and a downtown market analysis for recreational tourism. In 2017, the Cocke County Partnership released a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a development plan for Cocke County multi-use trails. The partnership's focus with this plan is for a multi-use trail corridor along Highway 25E from Newport to Douglas Lake; pathways along the TDOT State Route 321 project from State Route 73 at Cosby to Wilton Springs Road; and biking, hiking, horseback riding, and ATV trails across Green Mountain between Newport and the Hartford community.

Another priority heard from the public during the planning process was the desire for splash pads and water parks. The City of Newport has indicated that they are exploring ways to tie a splash pad facility to the existing pool at the Newport City Park in the next five years.

The City will soon be creating a new front entrance to the Newport Community Center and moving some of the existing offices out of the building. This move should free more space for activities and classes in the building which is another need identified through the community input process.

The following priority lists for parks and recreation were developed based upon the needs assessment and workshops with local officials. They were also presented on draft concept plans during the Draft Plan Input meeting. The priorities are grouped according to realistic timeframes and strategies for implementation. Improvements include those scheduled in the short-term, mid-term and long-term. Short-term improvements are those that will be included in upcoming grant applications and local budget appropriations over the next two years. Mid-term improvements (3-5 years) are those that are envisioned as practical and realistic projects for future grant applications and local budgets. Long-term improvements (6-10 years) were identified during the planning process, but specific strategies for funding and schedules for development are undetermined at this time. It should be noted that the City has budgeted \$50,000 annually for ADA compliance improvements. The City's planner and ADA official has indicated that this budget will be applied to park improvements for at least the next five years.

The following are the priorities for the next ten years:

Short-Term (1-2 years)

Newport City Park

- Renovations and new metal roofing for maintenance shop, concession/restroom, and press box
- Install ADA sidewalks and restrooms

Fifth and Filbert Park

- Install new pavilion, new playgrounds and surfacing and ADA sidewalks
- Resurfacing and improvements to basketball court (funds allocated)

Newport Community Center

- Move entrance to Cosby Street side of building and add new asphalt paving for parking and drive-through

Newport Grammar School (NGS) Sports Complex

- Replace playground borders and install ADA-compliant surfaces

Park to Float

- Acquire easements for Park to Float trail extensions

Pet Milk Park

- Resurfacing and improvements to basketball court (funds allocated)
- Replace playground borders and install ADA surface (funds allocated)
- Repave and restripe parking
- Install bear-resistant trash receptacle
- Build new pavilion
- Install new small playground equipment

White Oak Park

- Demolish existing basketball court

Bryant Town Park

- Install playground and pavilion
- Install basketball court, drive, and parking
- Construct restroom facility

Mid-Term (3-5 years)

Newport City Park

- Improve street lighting and install splash pad

NGS Sports Complex

- Build ADA walkways and install bleachers

Eva Sexton Park

- Build out riverwalk to the east
- Install pedestrian lights for riverwalk
- Build trailhead to the east end of riverwalk

Park to Float

- Begin ADA concrete greenway and ADA concrete pad

- Install guard rail and pave driveway

Pet Milk Park

- Install ADA concrete sidewalks and replace drinking fountain

White Oak Park

- Install pavilion, benches and perimeter fencing.
- Install playground equipment with ADA-compliant surfaces and ADA sidewalks

Other

- Conduct feasibility and location study for a pump track

Long-term (6-10 years)

Part to Float

- Complete ADA concrete greenway and install pedestrian lights

Eva Sexton Park

- Build out riverwalk to the west

Other

- If the Project All-Star sports complex becomes a reality, Newport will rethink maintaining ballfields at its neighborhood parks. Repurposing some of these spaces could lead to various new amenities for city and county residents.

6. Concept Plan

A concept plan graphically depicts the placement of plan elements or improvements to new or existing parks. Neither Newport nor the County have identified locations for new parks. Newport plans to conduct a series of improvements and updates to the City's existing parks. The Cocke County School Department operates facilities at the County schools that provide facility access to the public during non-school hours. The concept plans of future improvements for each park are included in this section as well as *Statements of Probable Costs* for the improvements over the ten-year duration of the plan. The following is a summary of elements indicated in the concept plans.

The *Statement of Probable Costs* for development of the improvements is attached to the concept plan for each park. Please note that the amounts for general conditions and soft costs reflect each phase of work as if design services, grant administration services, and a general contractor will be utilized to design and construct the improvements. This may not always be the case. The Newport Parks and Recreation Department may construct some improvements with in-kind City employees or other contracting arrangements.

Bryant Town Park

At Bryant Town Park, the City is currently building a new playground, pavilion, asphalt basketball court with drive and parking, and a restroom facility. In Phase II (3-5 years), the City plans to install ADA compliant sidewalks, pedestrian lighting, and a bermed play area.

Eva Sexton Park

Newport plans to make all improvements at Eva Sexton Park during Phase II (3-5 years) and Phase III (6-10 years). Over these periods, the City plans to extend the greenway eastward to a new trail kiosk and westward to the Oldmill/Brownfield Park, install ADA pathways with new pedestrian lights, and build a new restroom and pavilion.

Fifth and Filbert Park

Newport is planning for a number of improvements at Fifth and Filbert Park in the short-term, including completing a number of updates to the basketball court and its parking lot, developing a new pavilion, installing new playground equipment and surfaces, installing pedestrian lighting, and constructing ADA paths to access all of the park's amenities. All of these improvements are slated to occur in Phase I (1-2 years).

Newport City Park

In the short-term, Newport will renovate and install metal roofs on several recreational buildings at the City Park including the existing storage shed, the concessions/restroom building, and the press box. The City is also planning to improve street lighting and to install a splash pad at the community pool. In this plan, these improvements will be carried out in Phase I (1-2 years) and Phase II (3-5 years). Several ADA compliance issues will need to be addressed in conjunction with these improvements, including new ADA paths to access the picnic tables and pavilions, as well as ADA improvements at the restrooms/concession building. The ADA compliance issues should be addressed in Phase I (1-2 years).

Newport Grammar School (NGS) Sports Complex

Improvements at the NGS Sports Complex include installing new playground borders and ADA compliant playground surfaces, developing ADA paths to access all the park's amenities, and installing new bleachers. These improvements will be carried out in Phase I (1-2 years), and Phase II (3-5 years).

Park-to-Float

At the Park-to-Float facilities, the City plans to build an ADA compliant greenway along the Pigeon River, to install pedestrian lights, to build ADA Concrete Pads at river access points, to pave the slope of the driveway, and to install guardrails. These improvements will be carried out in Phase II (3-5 years) and Phase III (6-10 years) once the proper easements have been obtained.

Pet Milk Park

Newport has allocated funding or plans to allocate funding for a number of improvements at Pet Milk Park in the short-term. Funds have already been allocated for resurfacing and replacing the fence around the basketball courts. Other improvements the City plans to implement in Phase I (1-2 years) include replacing playground borders and ADA surfaces at the park's playgrounds, repaving and restriping the parking area, installing a bear-resistant litter receptacle, building a new pavilion, and installing small playground equipment. In Phase II (3-5 years), the City intends to build ADA concrete sidewalks to access the pavilion and playground equipment, and to replace the drinking fountain.

White Oak Park

At White Oak Park, the City plans to demolish the basketball court in Phase I (1-2 years). In the mid-term (3-5 years), the City intends to install a new pavilion and benches, to replace the perimeter fence, to demolish the existing playground, to install new ADA compliant playground equipment and surfaces, and to develop ADA compliant paths to access all the park's amenities.



BRYANT TOWN PARK
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Bryant Town Park

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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase One (1-2 Years)				
Playground	1	EA	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Pavilion	1	EA	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Asphalt Basketball Court, Drive and Parking	1	LS	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Restroom Facility	1	EA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Phase One Subtotal				\$ 85,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 8,500.00
15% Soft Sosts (A/E + Admin)				\$ 12,750.00
20% Contingency				\$ 17,000.00
Phase One Total				\$ 123,250.00
Phase Two (3-5 Years)				
Pedestrian lighting	14	EA	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 21,000.00
ADA Sidewalk	7,500	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 30,000.00
Bermed Play Area	1	LS	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 71,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 7,100.00
15% Soft Sosts (A/E + Admin)				\$ 10,650.00
20% Contingency				\$ 14,200.00
Phase Two Total				\$ 102,950.00
Total for all phases				\$ 226,200.00

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EVA SEXTON PARK
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Eva Babb Sexton Park

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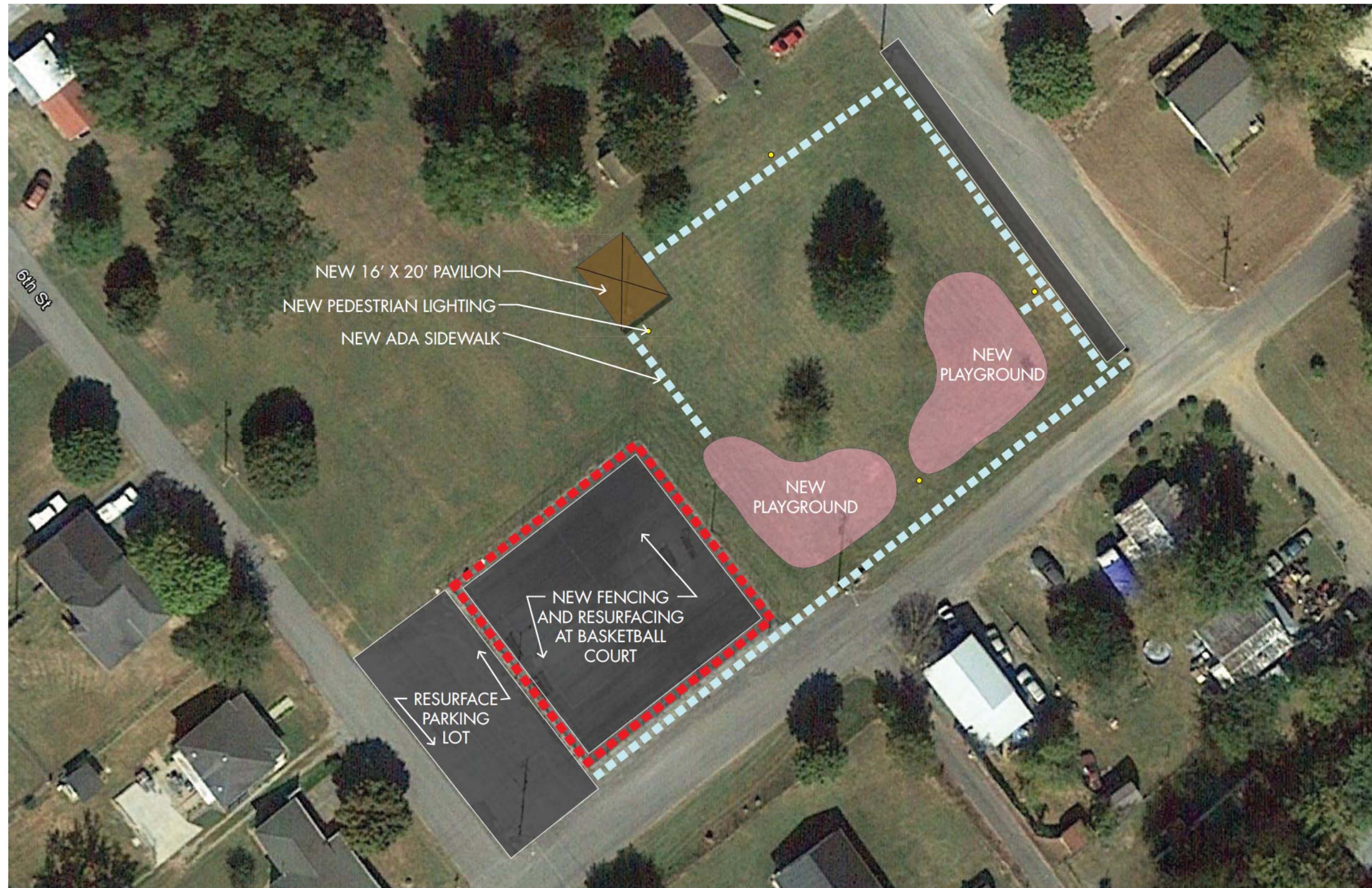
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase Two (3-5 years)				
Greenway east extension	7,500	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 30,000.00
Pedestrian lights (space 50' O.C.)	12	EA	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 18,000.00
Trailhead Kiosk	1	EA	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Restroom	1	EA	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Pavilion	1	EA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
ADA Sidewalk	1,500	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 6,000.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 96,500.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 9,650.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 14,475.00
20% Contingency				\$ 19,300.00
Phase Two Total				\$ 139,925.00
Phase Three (6-10 years)				
Greenway west extension	9,000	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 36,000.00
Pedestrian lights (space 50' O.C.)	15	EA	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 22,500.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 58,500.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 5,850.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 8,775.00
20% Contingency				\$ 11,700.00
Phase Three Total				\$ 84,825.00
Total for all phases				\$ 224,750.00

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FIFTH AND FILBERT PARK
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Fifth and Filbert Park

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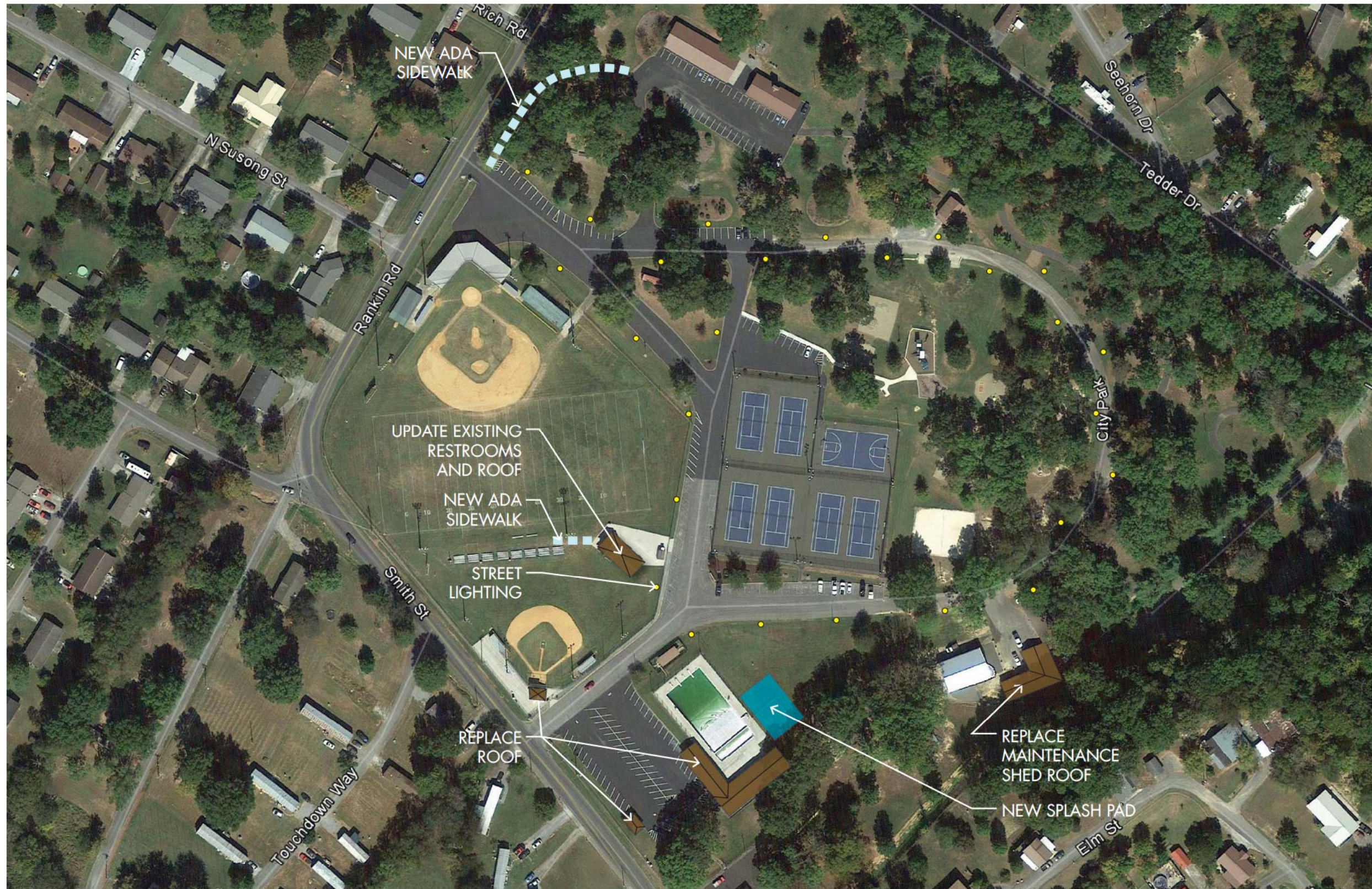
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase One (1-2 Years)				
Resurface and fence basketball court (funds allocated)			\$	-
Repave parking at basketball court (funds allocated)			\$	-
Restripe parking at basketball court (funds allocated)			\$	-
Install 16'x20' Pavilion	1	EA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Install new playgrounds & surfacing	2	EA	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
ADA Sidewalk	6,000	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 24,000.00
Pedestrian lights	5	EA	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 8,000.00
Phase One Subtotal			\$	87,000.00
10% General Conditions			\$	8,700.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)			\$	13,050.00
20% Contingency			\$	17,400.00
Phase One Total			\$	126,150.00

Total for all phases **\$ 126,150.00**

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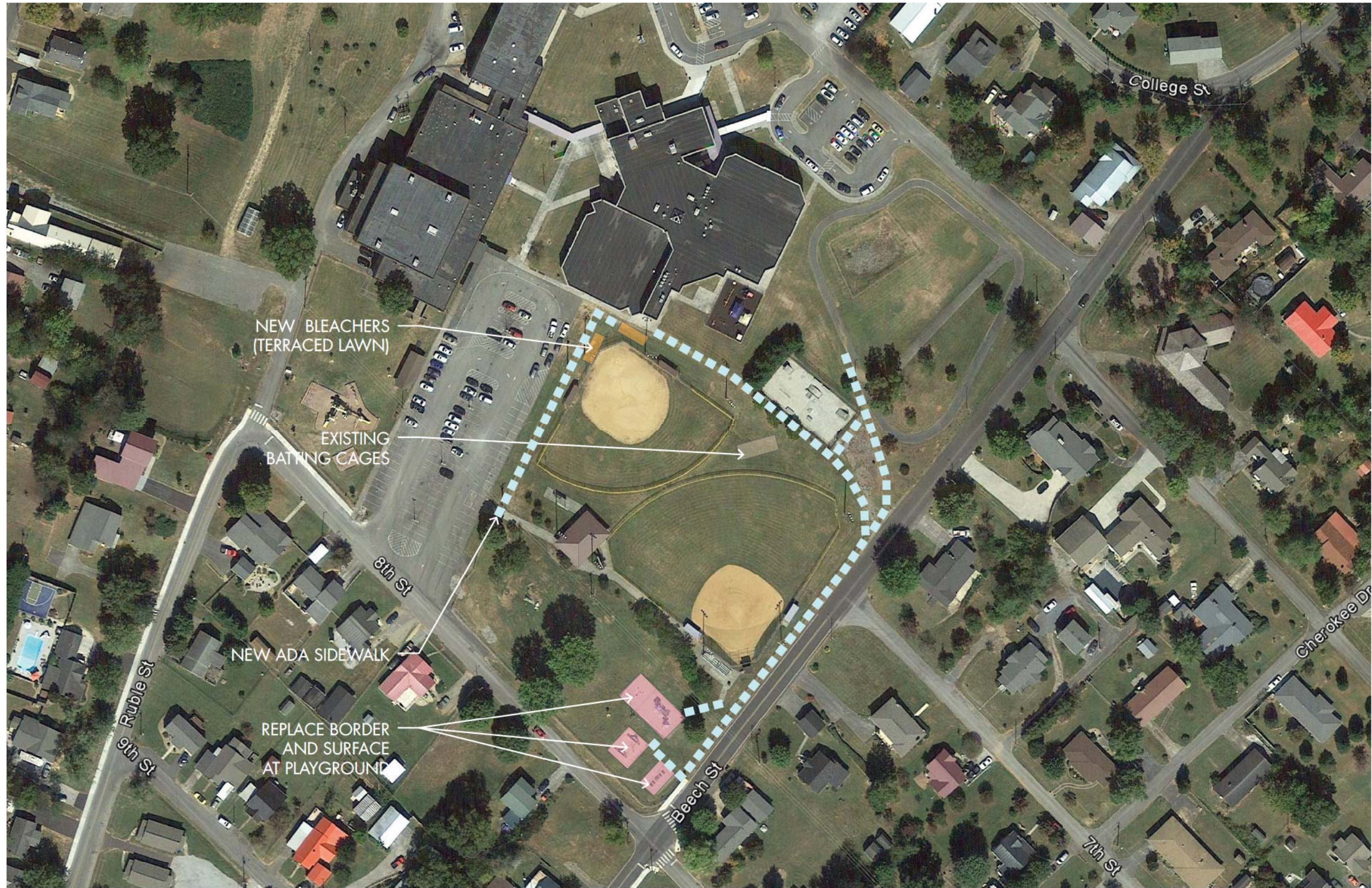
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase One (1-2 Years)				
ADA Concrete Sidewalks (funds allocated)				\$ -
Metal Roof for Maintenance Shed	1	EA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Metal Roofs for Concessions, Pavilions and Restrooms	1	EA	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Phase One Subtotal				\$ 65,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 6,500.00
15% Soft Sosts (A/E + Admin)				\$ 9,750.00
20% Contingency				\$ 13,000.00
Phase One Total				\$ 94,250.00
Phase Two (3-5 Years)				
Improve street lighting	10	EA	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Restrooms and concession ADA upgrades	1	EA	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Install splash pad at community pool	1	EA	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 120,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 12,000.00
15% Soft Sosts (A/E + Admin)				\$ 18,000.00
20% Contingency				\$ 24,000.00
Phase Two Total				\$ 174,000.00

Total for all phases **\$ 268,250.00**

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NGS SPORTS COMPLEX
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 Newport Grammar School Sports Complex
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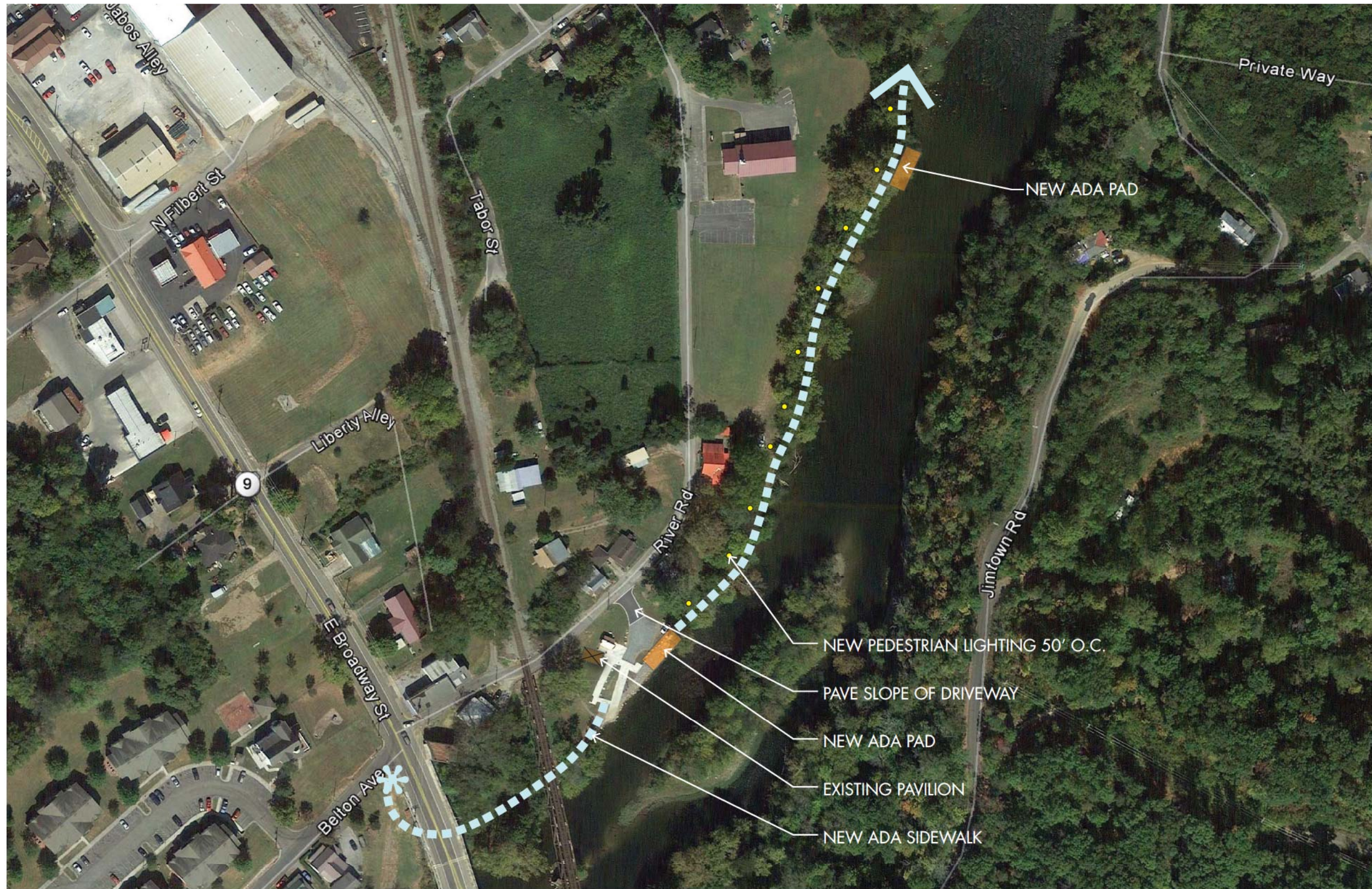
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase One (1-2 Years)				
Playground borders	200	LF	\$ 15.00	\$ 3,000.00
Playground ADA surfacing	2,500	SF	\$ 14.00	\$ 35,000.00
Phase One Subtotal				\$ 38,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 3,800.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 5,700.00
20% Contingency				\$ 7,600.00
Phase One Total				\$ 55,100.00
Phase Two (3-5 Years)				
ADA walks	15,000	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 60,000.00
Bleachers	2	EA	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 76,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 7,600.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 11,400.00
20% Contingency				\$ 15,200.00
Phase Two Total				\$ 110,200.00

Total for all phases **\$ 165,300.00**

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PARK TO FLOAT PARK
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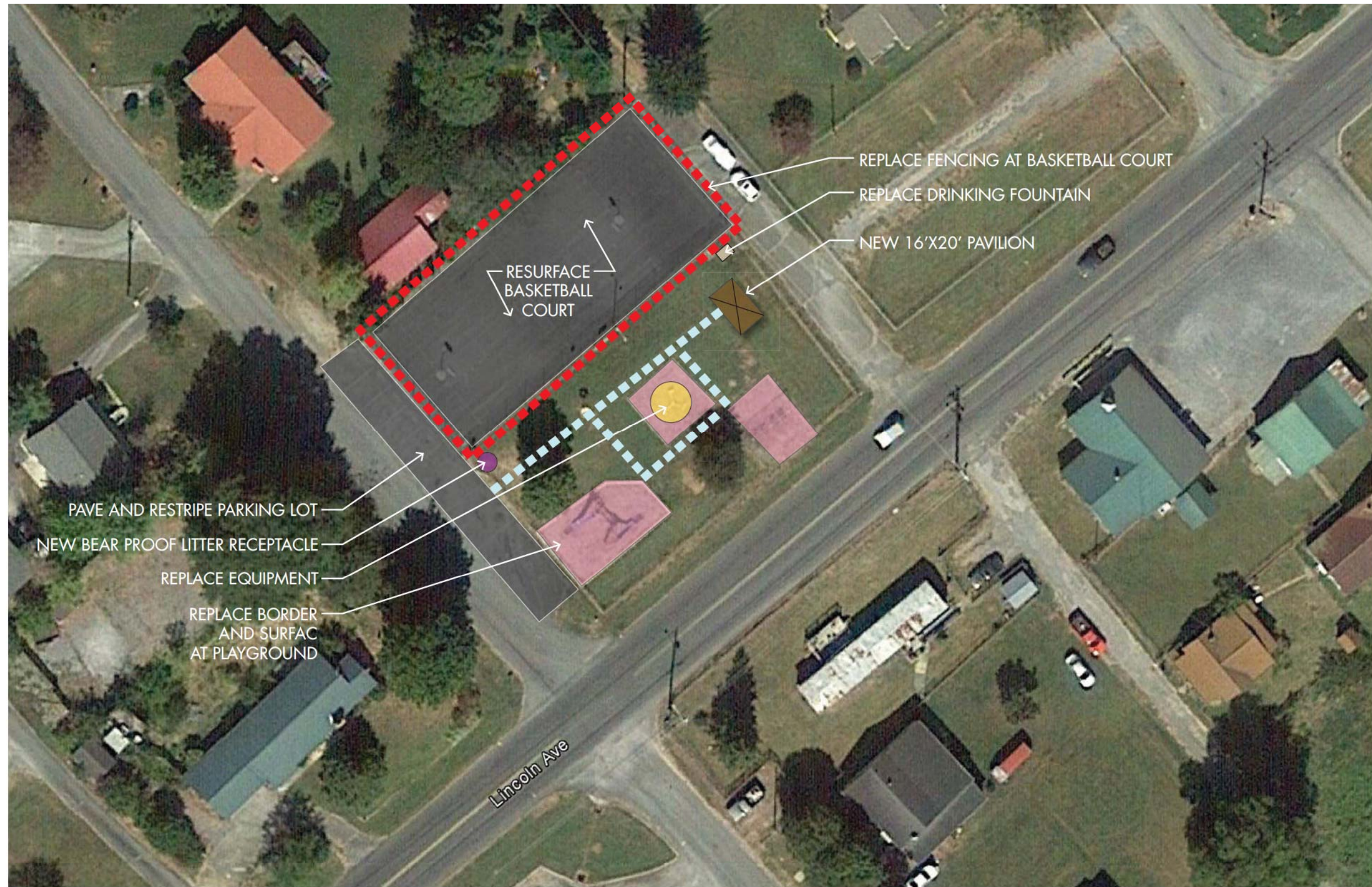
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase One (1-2 Years)				
Easement Acquisition - 2018	1	EA	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Easement Acquisition - 2019	1	EA	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Phase One Subtotal				\$ 80,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 8,000.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 12,000.00
20% Contingency				\$ 16,000.00
Phase One Total				\$ 116,000.00
Phase Two (3-5 Years)				
ADA Concrete Greenway	12,000	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 48,000.00
ADA Concrete Pad	200	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 800.00
Guard rail	30	LF	\$ 52.00	\$ 1,560.00
Pave slope of driveway	70	SY	\$ 20.00	\$ 1,400.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 51,760.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 5,176.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 7,764.00
20% Contingency				\$ 10,352.00
Phase Two Total				\$ 75,052.00
Phase Three (6-10 Years)				
ADA Concrete Greenway	63,360	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 253,440.00
Pedestrian lights (spaced at 50' O.C.)	125	EA	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 187,500.00
Phase Three Subtotal				\$ 440,940.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 44,094.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 66,141.00
20% Contingency				\$ 88,188.00
Phase Three Total				\$ 639,363.00
Total for all phases				\$ 830,415.00

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PET MILK PARK
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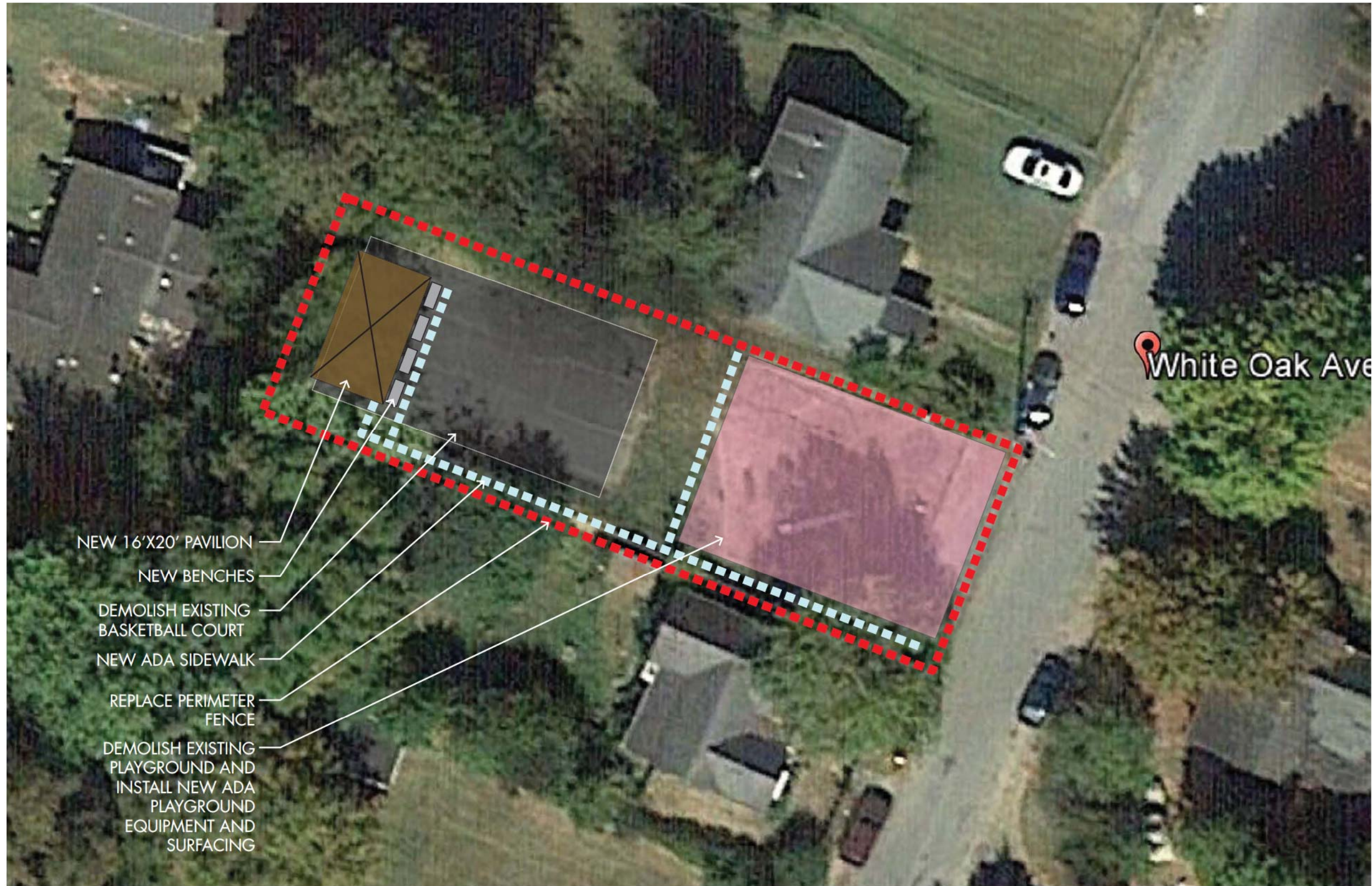
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase One (1-2 Years)				
Resurface basketball court (funds allocated)				\$ -
New 6' chain link fence around court (funds allocated)				\$ -
Replace playground borders & install ADA surface (funds allocated)				\$ -
Repave parking (funds allocated)				\$ -
Restripe parking (funds allocated)				\$ -
Install 16x20 pavilion	1	EA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Small playground equipment	1	EA	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
Install bear resistant litter receptacle	1	EA	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Phase One Subtotal				\$ 28,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 2,800.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 4,200.00
20% Contingency				\$ 5,600.00
Phase One Total				\$ 40,600.00
Phase Two (3-5 Years)				
ADA Concrete Sidewalks	300	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 1,200.00
Replace drinking fountain	1	EA	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 4,200.00
General Conditions				\$ 420.00
Soft costs				\$ 630.00
Contingency				\$ 840.00
Phase Two Total				\$ 6,090.00
Total for all phases				\$ 46,690.00

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WHITE OAK PARK
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White Oak Park
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Phase One (1-2 Years)				
Demolish Basketball Court	1	EA	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Phase One Subtotal				\$ 4,000.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 400.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 600.00
20% Contingency				\$ 800.00
Phase One Total				\$ 5,800.00
Phase Two (3-5 Years)				
Install 16x20 Pavilion	1	EA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Park Benches	4	EA	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 4,800.00
Perimeter Fencing	400	LF	\$ 35.00	\$ 14,000.00
Playground equipment w/ADA surface	1	EA	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
ADA Concrete Sidewalk	1,000	SF	\$ 4.00	\$ 4,000.00
Phase Two Subtotal				\$ 112,800.00
10% General Conditions				\$ 11,280.00
15% Soft Costs (A/E + Admin)				\$ 16,920.00
20% Contingency				\$ 22,560.00
Phase Two Total				\$ 163,560.00

Total for all phases **\$ 169,360.00**

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7. Five-Year Budget Plan

A five-year budget plan is a planning tool that evaluates revenues, expenses, and desired capital improvements and creates a strategy for achieving the goals of the short-term and mid-term phases of implementation of the next five years. The improvements in the five-year plan follow directly from the findings of the *Needs Assessment* presented in Section 5 and the *Priorities and Statement of Probable Costs* presented in Section 6. Most rural communities, and especially communities in distressed counties, rely heavily on grant funding when developing strategies to fund improvements for parks and recreation projects. When considering grants as a major component of a funding strategy over an extended amount of time, there is always the risk that the grants will not be funded and that the goals then move further along in time. Therefore, when developing a grant-based strategy, one must always be optimistic that the community competes favorably to stay on track with achieving goals over the duration of the plan.

There are two commonly utilized grant sources for parks and recreation improvements for Tennessee communities — the Local Parks and Recreation fund (LPRF) and the Recreation Trails Program (RTP). The maximum grant funding is \$500,000 for the LPRF and \$200,000 for the RTP. The local match requirement is 50% for LPRF and 20% for RTP. Both funds are administered by Recreational Educational Services (RES), a division of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC). LPRF funds are State-generated and can be supplemented with the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). RTP funds are generated through Tennessee’s allocation of transportation funding through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). It should be noted that a new source of funding has recently become available through the Tennessee Department of Health’s (TDH) Access to Health through Healthy Active Built Environments grants that can fund trail and recreation facility improvements for a maximum of \$85,000. These TDH grants currently have no match requirement, but the total statewide pool is small. There is no guarantee the funds will be available in the future.

Sometimes even small rural communities can have aspirations for larger projects that may require long-term financing. The available means of obtaining long-term financing include the Rural Development Agency (RDA) grant loan program. The Tennessee Municipal League (TML) Bond Pool, conventional municipal bonds, and commercial bank loans. RDA loans are often preferred as an option for long-term debt in rural communities. The terms for financing extend up to forty years. At the current interest rate of 4.5%, the annual repayment amount for every \$100,000 of RDA loans would be approximately \$5,400 per year for forty years.

Both jurisdictions participating in this master plan have developed strategies for short-term (1-2 years) and mid-term (3-5 years) that rely heavily upon future grant funding. To develop their five-year budgets, each community closely balanced their reserves, fund balances, and financial obligations for other departments with local matching fund requirements for acquiring grants. The following is a closer examination of each entity’s financial strategy for achieving the short-term and mid-term priorities of their ten-year plan.

7.1. City of Newport

The City of Newport is planning to make improvements and upgrades at all of its parks over the next five years. The City has already allocated funds for a number of improvements at various parks, including those at Fifth and Filbert Park, Pet Milk Park, White Oak Park, Newport City Park, and the Newport Grammar School Sports Complex. Newport currently allocates \$50,000 per year for ADA improvements. Each year, the City’s ADA coordinator allocates the funding for ADA improvements in coordination of the City’s other departments. The coordinator has

indicated that ADA improvements at the parks will be a priority over the next five years. Therefore, the City should anticipate a budget of approximately \$250,000 to make ADA improvements at the City's parks over the next five years. Improvements that have been indicated as a priority for this funding include ADA compliance at Bryant Town Park, Fifth and Filbert Park, and Newport City Park. The City of Newport is currently in the process of developing an ADA transition plan to document and prioritize their city-wide ADA accessibility needs and priorities.

The City is anticipating submitting a 2018 LPRF grant application for improvements to Newport City Park and Fifth and Filbert Park. Improvements at these two parks have been estimated at approximately \$220,400. Therefore, the 50% match required for these improvements is an estimated \$110,200. All ADA improvements at the City Park will be paid for with local budget allocations, including ADA concrete sidewalks and ADA restroom and concession upgrades. If awarded, the City plans to construct all improvements and complete close-out documents in plenty of time to compete for LPRF funds in 2020, which would supply funding for more of the Phase I and Phase II priorities. At the time of this plan, the City has not decided which of the five-year priorities they would like to fund utilizing 2020 LPRF or RTP funding.

7.2. Coker County and the Coker County Partnership

Coker County, in partnership with the Coker County School District, will continue to maintain its budget to adequately fund its Parks and Recreation Department for ongoing parks and recreation activities and operations. Over the last three budget years, this amount has been approximately \$300,000 as appropriated in the County's budget.

The Coker County Partnership is currently undertaking three separate initiatives that could result in enhanced and new recreational opportunities across the county. However, each initiative is in the early stages of feasibility and planning, and it is uncertain what future budget needs (if any) will be required of the City of Newport, Coker County, the Partnership, or any other entity at this time. One initiative, the Hartford Plan, is a planning process currently underway to take advantage of budgeted improvements for a wastewater collection and treatment facility for the community. This public infrastructure improvement should spawn new commercial and hospitality investments by the private sector in support of the existing and growing whitewater rafting enterprises. The plan's recommendations will probably be regulatory in the form of codes, guidelines, or an overlay district and may not require any future expenditure of local funds.

Another initiative by the Partnership is the development of corridor studies to potentially expand multi-use trails across the county. Again, the planning process is currently underway and has not progressed to the point of identifying future costs. However, the corridors that have been identified are within TDOT right of ways and on Federally-owned lands such as the Cherokee National Forest. The plan is funded by a 95% grant from TDECD, and implementation of the plan's recommendations may be completely within the budgets of State and Federal agencies. However, there are State and Federal grants to cities and counties such as transportation enhancement grants, recreational trail program grants, and others that could assist with any costs forecast by local governments.

Finally, the Coker County Partnership is currently discussing the feasibility of a public/private partnership between local government and a national developer of sports facilities to construct a one-hundred or more-acre sports complex in Coker County. The public investment in utilities, streets, and other public improvements could leverage millions of dollars in private-sector funding for multiple ballfields and an indoor arena. Such partnerships have proven to be highly successful and early feasibility and marketing studies are promising. At the time of this Parks and Recreation Master Plan's preparation, no site has been conclusively identified and no cost for public improvements projected. However, a potential financing package could use many sources of incentives available

for public/private partnerships such as tax increment financing, bonds, and sales tax increment financing. Once again, this project proposal is only in the feasibility stage of investigation, and any speculation concerning its viability is just conjecture.

8. Recommendations

The purpose of this study was to objectively review the existing parks and recreation facilities and programs offered to those citizens living in the incorporated area of Cocke County and to county visitors. It is the overall goal to provide recommendations that will enhance the leisure time and active recreational experiences for present and future residents over the next ten years and beyond. It is in consideration of this overall goal that the following recommendations are offered.

The recommendations in this section have been made for both existing facilities and new facility development. The recommendations are for both physical and nonphysical improvements, such as management, organization, operations, and maintenance. The recommendations below are not in any prioritized order, but all should be considered over the next ten years.

8.1. Existing and Future Facilities

Recommendation #1 — ADA Compliance at Newport's Parks

Several ADA accessibility and compliance issues were identified when the consulting team visited Newport's parks. There were also a few issues identified at the community center. The City has appointed the City planner as Newport's ADA compliance officer and is allocating \$50,000 per year in their budget to address compliance. The City has indicated that ADA compliance at Newport's parks will remain a priority for the next five years.

Recommendation #2 — Upgrades at Newport's Existing Parks

In addition to ADA compliance, several other improvements are needed at Newport's parks. The City has designated a strategy for upgrades and improvements that combine City appropriations and grant funding. The City has indicated that they will pursue LPRF funding in 2018 and possibly in 2020. Newport should continue to implement its strategy of local appropriations and of State and Federal grant funding to achieve the goals and improvements identified in the concept plans for the next ten years.

Recommendation #3 — Install Splash Pad/Water Park at City Park

Those that responded to the community-wide survey indicated that a splash pad/water park is the most desired amenity currently not offered in the area. Newport will be studying the feasibility of the pool at Newport's City Park mechanical system's capacity and capability of supporting an adjacent splash pad. The City has indicated a splash pad be constructed at Newport's City Park in the next five years.

Recommendation #4 — Provide More Indoor Activity/Class Space

Newport will soon be making improvements to the Newport Community Center. The improvements include moving current offices in the building to other locations. This move could free up space for more activities and possibly more classroom area in the future. Newport should consider adding more activity space at the community center as future improvements are considered.

Recommendation #5 — Provide More Multi-Use Trails, Paths, and River Access

Those responding to the community-wide survey and attending the public input sessions indicated a need for walking/running paths. The community has also asked for more access points to the rivers for swimming, fishing, and canoeing/kayaking. The City of Newport anticipates improvements to its linear parks (Eva Sexton and Park to

Float) that will address both objectives. The City has proposed extending the existing riverwalk to both the east and west that when completed, will provide almost one mile of trail along the French Broad River and will enhance accessibility. The City also has a river access park (the Park to Float facility) on the Pigeon River. Newport is currently working with property owners along this stretch of the river, both upstream and downstream, in hopes of obtaining easements and of constructing a riverfront trail. The City should continue the efforts to increase access to these rivers and to walking/running opportunities along their banks.

8.2. Programming, Organization, and Policy Initiatives

Recommendation #1 — Formalize Joint-Use Agreements

Joint-use agreements are documents that formalize the shared use of recreation areas and facilities. Their purpose is to secure long-term access to shared facilities such as parks, schools, private facilities, and those owned by the other entities. These agreements address the structural elements such as time and place, as well as legal issues such as indemnification and liability. Joint-use agreements should be formalized by following the template and checklists provided in the *Tennessee Recreation Joint Facility Use Agreements* toolkit available on the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association website. While Cocke County currently does renew agreements annually between the County and the school district, the sample agreement on TRPA website is a more comprehensive template the County might consider utilizing in the future.

Recommendation #2 — Benchmarking

Benchmarking is a tool encouraged by the State and recommended by the National Parks and Recreation Association. Benchmarking sets standards for achievement of basic organizational structure for local parks and recreation departments and organizes those standards into different levels or tier certifications. It is an excellent tool for communities to use in self-evaluating the structure of their organization and delivery of parks and recreation services. TDEC has had conversations with Newport concerning benchmarking and has encouraged the City to apply for Tier 2 certification. This level of certification requires a substantial amount of time and effort. Newport has started on the application process and should continue completing the application process as time and resources allow.

Recommendation #3 — Work with TWRA to Obtain Additional Boat Access Facilities

During the planning process, six TWRA boat access points were identified along Cocke County's rivers: The French Broad, Nolichucky, and the Pigeon. This number is far fewer than those available by TWRA in adjoining counties. The County Mayor's office has indicated a desire to work with TWRA to locate more access points in Cocke County. This is a worthwhile effort since a need for more access points for swimming, fishing, and canoeing/kayaking was indicated by those participating in the community-wide survey.

Recommendation #4 — Implementation of the Hartford Plan

The Cocke County Partnership received an Asset Enhancement Grant from TNECD in 2017 to prepare a plan for the Hartford community for new public infrastructure, future private development guidelines, and marketing. The final plan will identify potential tools for implementing the plan's recommendations that will be the "next steps" in the planning process. These tools could be design guidelines for new developments, an overlay district, or other mechanisms for achieving the goals of the plan. The County should consider enhancing and further developing the visitor experience in Hartford by adapting the land-use controls recommended by the plan. Whitewater rafting is not only a unique recreational experience in Cocke County but a valuable economic development resource.

Recommendation #5 — Continue Pursuing Local and Regional Greenway and Trail Opportunities

Both Newport and the Cocke County Partnership are pursuing individually and collectively initiatives and opportunities to create additional greenways, trails, and pathways throughout the county. The City is pursuing grants for connectivity in the downtown to promote and construct bike lanes and trails, construct additional sidewalks, and increase walkability throughout the community. The Partnership has procured the services of a consulting team to study potential regional corridors for a multi-use trails throughout the county. The City of Newport and the Partnership realize that these initiatives not only provide for increased physical activity opportunities for its citizens, but a means to attract tourism dollars and hospitality-related revenues for the local economy. The City and the Partnership should continue their combined efforts to create more trails, paths, and greenways in Newport and Cocke County.

Recommendation #6 — Project All-Star

The Cocke County Partnership is currently in the early stages of investigating the feasibility of a public/private development that could result in the construction of a sports complex in Cocke County. The concept under consideration is the private investment of funds to construct a 6–8 baseball/softball complex and an indoor multi-use arena, combined with the provision of public infrastructure such as streets, utilities, sidewalks, and bridges. If the project moves forward, one hundred or more acres of additional land could become available for parks and recreation in the county, as well as scores of new jobs created by the hospitality industry. The studies and evaluations that have been provided to date are promising. There are several financial resources available to Newport and Cocke County for public improvements that could leverage the required private investment. At this point in the feasibility process, a further investigation of proposals from private investors and developers is warranted.

Appendix A: Parks and Recreation Budgets

CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE

General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
(Continued)

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015
(With Comparative Totals for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014)

	2015 Original Budget	2015 Final Budget	2015 Actual	2014 Actual
Expenditures (continued):				
Culture and recreation (continued):				
Recreation department:				
Personal services	\$ 531,049	\$ 531,049	\$ 508,519	\$ 517,109
Contractual services	247,789	275,612	261,128	251,591
Supplies	73,200	73,200	58,876	71,178
Fixed costs	500	1,050	1,106	385
Capital outlay	500	500	2,840	11,925
Total recreation department	<u>853,038</u>	<u>881,411</u>	<u>832,469</u>	<u>852,188</u>
Library:				
Stokely Memorial Library - donation	56,250	56,250	56,250	56,250
Total library	<u>56,250</u>	<u>56,250</u>	<u>56,250</u>	<u>56,250</u>
Total culture and recreation	<u>910,488</u>	<u>938,861</u>	<u>889,102</u>	<u>908,704</u>
Education:				
Contractual services	14,734	14,400	-	19,837
Total education	<u>14,734</u>	<u>14,400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,837</u>
Economic development:				
Newport/Cocke County economic development:				
Personal services	44,135	44,135	44,735	44,731
Contractual services	14,747	16,447	16,369	27,297
Appropriation to economic development	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000
Total economic development	<u>96,882</u>	<u>98,582</u>	<u>99,104</u>	<u>110,028</u>
Community development:				
Library complex project	25,000	67,000	50,639	26,043
Safe routes to school	330,237	330,237	86	2,566
Riverwalk project	-	43,000	43,000	3,256
LPRF/RTP parks and recreation	108,800	108,800	10,168	116,247
Home program	-	375,000	2,835	-
JCI energy efficiency project	-	500,000	359,827	359,827
FEMA grants - fire department	-	-	-	110,046
Used oil grant	-	5,097	5,097	-
Recycle Grant	-	26,000	25,294	-
Other community development	715	1,000	1,000	710
Total community development	<u>464,752</u>	<u>1,456,134</u>	<u>497,946</u>	<u>618,695</u>
Debt service:				
Capital outlay note - 2008	-	-	-	54,000
Capital outlay note - 2010	71,000	71,000	71,000	68,000
Capital outlay notes - TML bond fund	-	-	-	405,339
Capital outlay notes - TML bond fund - NGS	-	-	-	3,786,000

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CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE

General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
(Continued)

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016
(With Comparative Totals for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015)

	2016 Original Budget	2016 Final Budget	2016 Actual	2015 Actual
Expenditures (continued):				
Public works (continued):				
Highways and streets (continued):				
Capital outlay	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,066	\$ 20,478
Total highways and streets	<u>983,719</u>	<u>1,002,819</u>	<u>1,000,621</u>	<u>961,046</u>
State street aid:				
Contractual services	<u>371,507</u>	<u>376,707</u>	<u>359,489</u>	<u>372,694</u>
Total state street aid	<u>371,507</u>	<u>376,707</u>	<u>359,489</u>	<u>372,694</u>
Sanitation:				
Personal services	190,859	190,859	204,572	154,281
Contractual services	61,283	61,283	56,909	54,882
Supplies	23,890	23,890	9,929	16,732
Capital outlay	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,853</u>
Total sanitation	<u>278,532</u>	<u>278,532</u>	<u>271,410</u>	<u>233,748</u>
Recycling:				
Personal services	174,728	174,728	141,913	175,873
Contractual services	43,578	43,578	25,015	38,146
Supplies	27,600	27,600	26,578	24,013
Capital outlay	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>20,074</u>	<u>-</u>
Total recycling	<u>248,406</u>	<u>248,406</u>	<u>213,580</u>	<u>238,032</u>
Total public works	<u>1,882,164</u>	<u>1,906,464</u>	<u>1,845,100</u>	<u>1,805,520</u>
Animal control:				
Animal shelter:				
Personal services	206,216	206,216	194,254	189,978
Contractual services	91,527	91,527	76,648	84,214
Supplies	57,500	57,500	68,688	58,168
Fixed charges	1,400	1,400	2,050	1,435
Capital outlay	<u>2,200</u>	<u>2,200</u>	<u>1,124</u>	<u>3,121</u>
Total animal shelter	<u>358,843</u>	<u>358,843</u>	<u>342,764</u>	<u>336,916</u>
Total animal control	<u>358,843</u>	<u>358,843</u>	<u>342,764</u>	<u>336,916</u>
Culture and recreation:				
Senior citizens building:				
Contractual services	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>383</u>
Total senior citizens building	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>383</u>
Recreation department:				
Personal services	563,863	563,863	514,936	508,519
Contractual services	271,596	271,596	227,849	261,128
Supplies	80,200	82,200	96,070	58,876
Fixed charges	500	500	673	1,106
Capital outlay	<u>-</u>	<u>8,500</u>	<u>80,055</u>	<u>2,840</u>
Total recreation department	<u>916,159</u>	<u>926,659</u>	<u>919,583</u>	<u>832,469</u>

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CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE

General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
(Continued)

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Totals for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016)

	2017 Original Budget	2017 Final Budget	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
Expenditures (continued):				
Animal control:				
Animal shelter:				
Personal services	\$ 210,656	\$ 210,656	\$ 191,837	\$ 194,254
Contractual services	95,271	95,271	79,514	73,364
Supplies	74,276	74,276	49,830	69,192
Capital outlay	37,300	37,300	50,641	1,124
Other	2,100	2,100	1,991	2,050
Total animal shelter	<u>419,603</u>	<u>419,603</u>	<u>373,813</u>	<u>339,984</u>
Total animal control	<u>419,603</u>	<u>419,603</u>	<u>373,813</u>	<u>339,984</u>
Culture and recreation:				
Senior citizens building:				
Contractual services	350	850	416	310
Total senior citizens building	<u>350</u>	<u>850</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>310</u>
Recreation department:				
Personal services	617,954	617,954	581,403	514,936
Contractual services	266,994	273,994	279,115	230,629
Supplies	81,700	81,700	80,965	96,070
Fixed charges	1,500	1,500	1,470	673
Capital outlay	35,000	35,000	57,274	80,055
Total recreation department	<u>1,003,148</u>	<u>1,010,148</u>	<u>1,000,227</u>	<u>922,363</u>
Total culture and recreation	<u>1,003,498</u>	<u>1,010,998</u>	<u>1,000,643</u>	<u>922,673</u>
Education:				
Contractual services	14,400	21,900	-	-
Total education	<u>14,400</u>	<u>21,900</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Economic development:				
Newport/Cocke County economic development:				
Personal services	-	-	-	30,139
Contractual services	12,000	12,000	10,559	9,534
Supplies	-	-	-	64
Appropriation to economic development	88,000	88,000	38,000	88,000
Total economic development	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>48,559</u>	<u>127,737</u>
Community development:				
20/20 Community development project	37,850	37,850	-	15,694
Energy efficiency project	80,000	80,000	-	-
RTP parks to float	106,800	106,800	3,507	88,248
Tanner building repair	-	250,000	40,060	-
Traffic signals	-	25,000	-	-
Safe routes to school	330,237	330,237	270,086	2,081
Riverwalk project	12,000	12,000	22,448	1,900
Home program	375,000	345,000	293,630	71,817
Recycle grant	18,500	18,500	-	-
TDOT FAST grant	-	181,541	-	-
Other community development	21,000	35,000	12,274	553
Total community development	<u>981,387</u>	<u>1,421,928</u>	<u>642,005</u>	<u>180,293</u>

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Cocke County, Tennessee
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Actual (Budgetary Basis) and Budget
General Fund (Cont.)

	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Less: Encumbrances 7/1/2014	Add: Encumbrances 6/30/2015	Actual Revenues/ Expenditures (Budgetary Basis)	Budgeted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
					Original	Final	
					Original	Final	
<u>Expenditures (Cont.)</u>							
<u>Administration of Justice</u>							
Circuit Court	\$ 386,562	\$ 0	\$ 30,809	\$ 417,371	\$ 459,255	\$ 459,255	\$ 41,884
General Sessions Court	393,252	0	0	393,252	413,294	413,294	20,042
Drug Court	22,506	0	0	22,506	0	22,506	0
Chancery Court	250,566	0	0	250,566	256,679	256,679	6,113
Juvenile Court	34,900	0	0	34,900	38,288	38,288	3,388
Judicial Commissioners	27,063	0	0	27,063	29,090	29,090	2,027
Victims Assistance Programs	27,227	0	0	27,227	0	27,227	0
<u>Public Safety</u>							
Sheriff's Department	2,688,810	0	0	2,688,810	2,577,514	2,725,934	37,124
Special Patrols	137,610	0	0	137,610	138,001	138,001	391
Administration of the Sexual Offender Registry	1,696	0	0	1,696	0	3,376	1,680
Jail	1,364,642	0	0	1,364,642	1,414,886	1,433,850	69,208
Juvenile Services	199,105	0	0	199,105	223,766	223,766	24,661
Fire Prevention and Control	953,392	(5,596)	6,477	954,273	1,042,790	1,042,790	88,517
Civil Defense	65,719	0	0	65,719	76,084	76,084	10,365
Inspection and Regulation	5,060	0	0	5,060	5,980	5,980	920
County Coroner/Medical Examiner	59,365	0	0	59,365	55,500	67,400	8,035
Other Public Safety	58,966	0	0	58,966	63,780	73,832	14,866
<u>Public Health and Welfare</u>							
Local Health Center	327,203	0	0	327,203	399,983	399,983	72,780
Rabies and Animal Control	133,702	0	0	133,702	111,750	138,947	5,245
General Welfare Assistance	6,600	0	0	6,600	7,000	7,000	400
<u>Social, Cultural, and Recreational Services</u>							
Senior Citizens Assistance	3,600	0	0	3,600	3,600	3,600	0
Libraries	70,795	0	0	70,795	70,795	70,795	0
Parks and Fair Boards	6,400	0	0	6,400	0	7,722	1,322
Other Social, Cultural, and Recreational	267,962	0	0	267,962	281,460	281,460	13,498
<u>Agriculture and Natural Resources</u>							
Agricultural Extension Service	67,799	0	0	67,799	67,500	67,500	(299)
Soil Conservation	25,000	0	0	25,000	25,000	25,000	0

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Exhibit F-5

Cocke County, Tennessee
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Actual and Budget
Sports and Recreation Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

	Actual	Budgeted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
		Original	Final	
<u>Revenues</u>				
Charges for Current Services	\$ 18,146	\$ 19,500	\$ 19,500	\$ (1,354)
Other Local Revenues	2,423	2,000	3,726	(1,303)
Other Governments and Citizens Groups	2,963	4,100	4,100	(1,137)
Total Revenues	\$ 23,532	\$ 25,600	\$ 27,326	\$ (3,794)
<u>Expenditures</u>				
<u>Social, Cultural, and Recreational Services</u>				
Other Social, Cultural, and Recreational	\$ 28,380	\$ 35,980	\$ 37,706	\$ 9,326
Total Expenditures	\$ 28,380	\$ 35,980	\$ 37,706	\$ 9,326
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (4,848)	\$ (10,380)	\$ (10,380)	\$ 5,532
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>				
Insurance Recovery	\$ 548	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 548
Transfers In	3,900	3,900	3,900	0
Total Other Financing Sources	\$ 4,448	\$ 3,900	\$ 3,900	\$ 548
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (400)	\$ (6,480)	\$ (6,480)	\$ 6,080
Fund Balance, July 1, 2014	7,748	7,195	7,195	553
Fund Balance, June 30, 2015	\$ 7,348	\$ 715	\$ 715	\$ 6,633

Exhibit C-5

Cocke County, Tennessee
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Actual (Budgetary Basis) and Budget
General Fund (Cont.)

	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Less: Encumbrances 7/1/2015	Add: Encumbrances 6/30/2016	Actual Revenues/ Expenditures (Budgetary Basis)	Budgeted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
					Original	Final	
	\$	0 \$	0 \$	482,315 \$	503,932 \$	514,732 \$	32,417
<u>Expenditures (Cont.)</u>							
<u>Finance (Cont.)</u>							
County Clerk's Office							
Administration of Justice							
Circuit Court	427,037	(30,809)	1,070	397,298	476,287	484,987	87,689
General Sessions Court	409,156	0	822	409,978	425,605	435,668	25,690
Drug Court	16,388	0	0	16,388	0	16,388	0
Chancery Court	258,393	0	35	258,428	260,380	264,380	5,952
Juvenile Court	34,960	0	0	34,960	39,300	39,300	4,340
Judicial Commissioners	33,581	0	0	33,581	35,018	35,018	1,437
Victim Assistance Programs	18,413	0	0	18,413	0	18,413	0
<u>Public Safety</u>							
Sheriff's Department	2,491,198	0	138,725	2,629,923	2,587,086	2,726,404	96,481
Special Patrols	135,758	0	0	135,758	144,089	141,089	5,331
Administration of the Sexual Offender Registry	1,586	0	5,357	6,943	0	6,930	(13)
Jail	1,404,164	0	50,168	1,454,332	1,456,010	1,505,763	51,431
Juvenile Services	209,203	0	674	209,877	213,033	213,033	3,156
Fire Prevention and Control	981,740	(6,477)	8,361	983,624	1,073,556	1,073,556	89,932
Civil Defense	109,904	0	5,298	115,202	116,527	119,753	4,551
Inspection and Regulation	4,838	0	0	4,838	6,180	6,180	1,342
County Coroner/Medical Examiner	52,230	0	0	52,230	63,000	63,000	10,770
Other Public Safety	171,064	0	1,210	172,274	73,813	181,733	9,459
<u>Public Health and Welfare</u>							
Local Health Center	357,197	0	2,557	359,754	410,916	413,416	53,662
Rabies and Animal Control	103,992	0	231	104,223	111,744	111,744	7,521
General Welfare Assistance	6,500	0	0	6,500	7,000	7,000	500
<u>Social, Cultural, and Recreational Services</u>							
Senior Citizens Assistance	3,600	0	0	3,600	3,600	3,600	0
Libraries	70,795	0	0	70,795	70,795	70,795	0
Parks and Fair Boards	5,216	0	0	5,216	0	5,222	6
Other Social, Cultural, and Recreational	252,541	0	20,131	272,672	282,735	284,562	11,890

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Exhibit F-5

Cocke County, Tennessee
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Actual (Budgetary Basis) and Budget
Sports and Recreation Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Add: Encumbrances 6/30/2016	Actual Revenues/ Expenditures (Budgetary Basis)	Budgeted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
				Original	Final	
<u>Revenues</u>						
Charges for Current Services	\$ 17,946 \$	0 \$	17,946 \$	19,000 \$	19,000 \$	(1,054)
Other Local Revenues	23,966	0	23,966	1,000	1,278	22,688
Other Governments and Citizens Groups	1,630	0	1,630	3,000	3,000	(1,370)
Total Revenues	\$ 43,542 \$	0 \$	43,542 \$	23,000 \$	23,278 \$	20,264
<u>Expenditures</u>						
<u>Social, Cultural, and Recreational Services</u>						
Other Social, Cultural, and Recreational	\$ 25,589 \$	600 \$	26,189 \$	33,880 \$	34,158 \$	7,969
Total Expenditures	\$ 25,589 \$	600 \$	26,189 \$	33,880 \$	34,158 \$	7,969
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 17,953 \$	(600) \$	17,353 \$	(10,880) \$	(10,880) \$	28,233
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>						
Transfers In	\$ 3,900 \$	0 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	0
Total Other Financing Sources	\$ 3,900 \$	0 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	0
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, July 1, 2015	\$ 21,853 \$	(600) \$	21,253 \$	(6,980) \$	(6,980) \$	28,233
	7,348	0	7,348	7,348	7,348	0
Fund Balance, June 30, 2016	\$ 29,201 \$	(600) \$	28,601 \$	368 \$	368 \$	28,233

Cocke County, Tennessee
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Actual (Budgetary Basis) and Budget
General Fund (Cont.)

	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Less: Encumbrances 7/1/2016	Add: Encumbrances 6/30/2017	Actual Revenues/ Expenditures (Budgetary Basis)	Budgeted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
					Original	Final	
<u>Expenditures (Cont.)</u>							
<u>Administration of Justice</u>							
Circuit Court	\$ 440,688	\$ (1,070)	\$ 0	\$ 439,618	\$ 473,659	\$ 473,659	\$ 34,041
General Sessions Court	407,526	(822)	0	406,704	421,036	426,436	19,732
Drug Court	25,419	0	0	25,419	0	25,439	20
Chancery Court	253,990	(35)	0	253,955	261,635	261,635	7,680
Juvenile Court	36,518	0	0	36,518	39,317	42,317	5,799
District Attorney General	23,348	0	0	23,348	0	31,880	8,532
Judicial Commissioners	33,430	0	856	34,286	35,006	35,006	720
Victim Assistance Programs	39,421	0	0	39,421	0	39,712	291
<u>Public Safety</u>							
Sheriff's Department	2,886,618	(138,725)	5,104	2,752,997	2,703,839	2,832,192	79,195
Special Patrols	133,651	0	0	133,651	134,891	134,891	1,240
Administration of the Sexual Offender Registry	9,322	(5,357)	0	3,965	0	4,337	372
Jail	1,858,564	(50,168)	4,333	1,812,729	1,572,924	1,810,365	(2,364)
Juvenile Services	190,858	(674)	0	190,184	216,474	216,474	26,290
Fire Prevention and Control	1,038,054	(8,361)	2,314	1,032,007	1,105,867	1,105,867	73,860
Civil Defense	129,036	(5,298)	0	123,738	125,027	134,457	10,719
Inspection and Regulation	4,103	0	0	4,103	6,180	6,308	2,205
County Coroner/Medical Examiner	70,981	0	0	70,981	63,000	81,095	10,114
Other Public Safety	76,655	(1,210)	308	75,753	77,263	77,263	1,510
<u>Public Health and Welfare</u>							
Local Health Center	328,059	(2,557)	836	326,338	408,712	441,212	114,874
Rabies and Animal Control	103,398	(231)	0	103,167	112,103	112,103	8,936
General Welfare Assistance	7,000	0	0	7,000	7,000	7,000	0
<u>Social, Cultural, and Recreational Services</u>							
Senior Citizens Assistance	3,600	0	0	3,600	3,600	3,600	0
Libraries	70,795	0	0	70,795	70,795	70,795	0
Parks and Fair Boards	0	0	0	0	0	3,900	3,900
Other Social, Cultural, and Recreational	285,982	(20,131)	8,620	274,471	305,197	318,152	43,681

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Exhibit F-5

Cocke County, Tennessee
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Actual (Budgetary Basis) and Budget
Sports and Recreation Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Less: Encumbrances 7/1/2016	Actual Revenues/ Expenditures (Budgetary Basis)	Budgeted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
				Original	Final	
<u>Revenues</u>						
Charges for Current Services	\$ 14,946 \$	0 \$	14,946 \$	18,000 \$	18,000 \$	(3,054)
Other Local Revenues	582	0	582	1,000	1,000	(418)
Other Governments and Citizens Groups	1,600	0	1,600	1,500	1,500	100
Total Revenues	\$ 17,128 \$	0 \$	17,128 \$	20,500 \$	20,500 \$	(3,372)
<u>Expenditures</u>						
Social, Cultural, and Recreational Services						
Other Social, Cultural, and Recreational	\$ 24,664 \$	(600) \$	24,064 \$	27,850 \$	27,850 \$	3,786
Total Expenditures	\$ 24,664 \$	(600) \$	24,064 \$	27,850 \$	27,850 \$	3,786
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (7,536) \$	600 \$	(6,936) \$	(7,350) \$	(7,350) \$	414
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>						
Transfers In	\$ 3,900 \$	0 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	0
Total Other Financing Sources	\$ 3,900 \$	0 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	3,900 \$	0
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, July 1, 2016	\$ (3,636) \$	600 \$	(3,036) \$	(3,450) \$	(3,450) \$	414
	29,201	(600)	28,601	28,500	28,500	101
Fund Balance, June 30, 2017	\$ 25,565 \$	0 \$	25,565 \$	25,050 \$	25,050 \$	515

Appendix B: Cocke County Parks and Recreation Survey

Del Rio	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Centerview	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Edgemont	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Smokey Mountain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grassy Fork	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Northwest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. How satisfied are you with the current parks and recreation facilities and activities in Cocke County?

Very Satisfied Satisfied No Opinion Unsatisfied Very Unsatisfied

19. If you are “unsatisfied” or “very unsatisfied,” what recommendations would you offer to improve the above facilities?

20. How accessible are the facilities and activities provided by Newport/Cocke County to all citizens no matter their age, race, religion, gender, national origins, or physical ability?

Very Accessible Somewhat Accessible Not Accessible No Opinion

21. If you believe the facilities and activities are not accessible, what recommendations would you offer to improve accessibility of the above facilities?

22. How did you last hear about the parks and recreation activities offered to your household? (check all that apply).

Family/Friends School Flyers City/County Website Local Newspaper
 Signage Social Media Other _____

23. Other than City and County Parks in Cocke County, what other parks and recreation activities does your family do in our region (within 20 miles or a 30 minute drive)?

Example: boating, hiking, mountain climbing

Activity: _____

Facility/Location: _____

Activity: _____

Facility/Location: _____

Activity: _____

Facility/Location: _____

Activity: _____

Facility/Location: _____

Tell us your suggestions:

24. Which of the following activities and services do you think are important for public parks and recreation agencies to provide? (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improved physical and mental health | <input type="checkbox"/> Fun for participants and observers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attraction for new business | <input type="checkbox"/> Positive change in personal attitude |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Structure and supervision for children & youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase in community pride |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improved quality of life | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase in tourism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessible places to enjoy nature | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Positive alternatives to unfavorable behavior | <input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify) _____ |

25. Please rank the following activities in order of importance for your household; 1 being the highest priority/most important, and 6 being the lowest priority/least important.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds and activities for small children | <input type="checkbox"/> Open spaces and trails |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teen athletics and programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Community center for senior activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult athletics and programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic and cultural attractions |

26. Are there any additional activities that members of your household would like to see provided by Newport/Cocke County?

Priority 1. _____

Priority 2. _____

Priority 3. _____

27. "I would be in favor of new or increasing existing financial methods to expand facilities in Cocke County and Newport."

Strongly Agree Agree Undecided Disagree Strongly Disagree

28. How should Newport and Cocke County finance new recreation facilities? (Check all lines you feel appropriate to use.)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bond issue (long-term financing) | <input type="checkbox"/> Increased property taxes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Developer impact fees | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant money |

User fees

Other (please _____)

Against all of the above

29. How important do you think it is to provide new or improved recreation facilities and activities for our community?

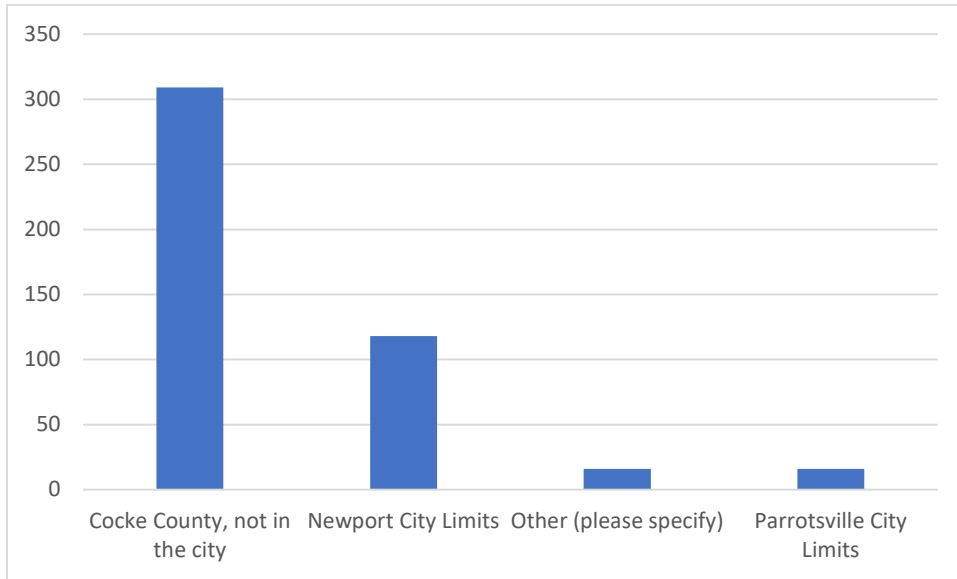
Extremely Important Important Not Important No Opinion

30. Please provide any other comments and suggestions relative to Parks and Recreation you would offer to the City of Newport and Cocke County for our consideration.

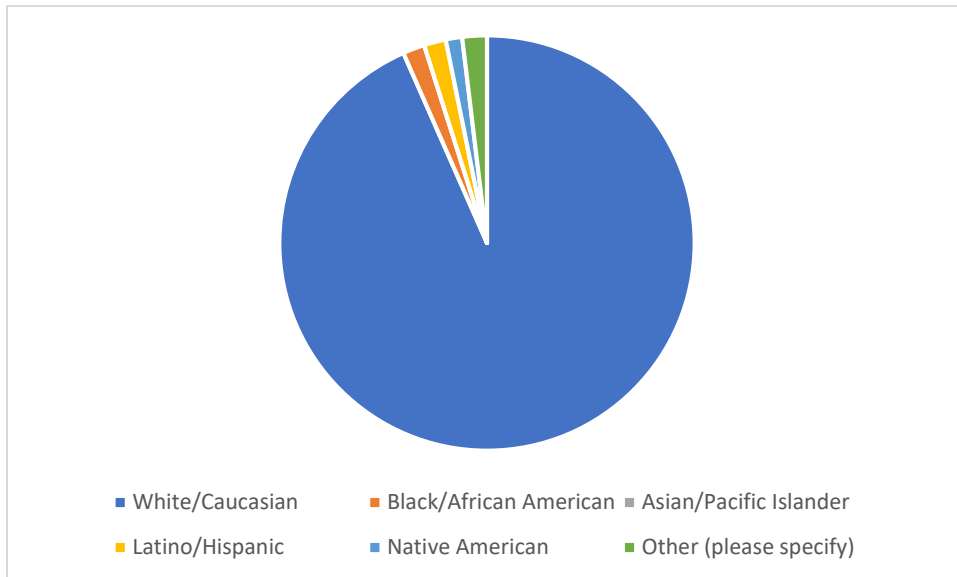
The City of Newport and Cocke County are committed to improving the quality of life for residents and feel recreation programs and facilities are an important part of their long-range plans. The Towns will also be holding a series of two public meetings in the coming months to gain further community input. Notices will be posted and published once the dates are set. We appreciate your participation in this survey and hope you will join us for the public meetings as well. Please do not hesitate to contact us at (423) 623-1063.

Following are the tabulated responses to the questions on the survey. Open Ended Responses are provided below.

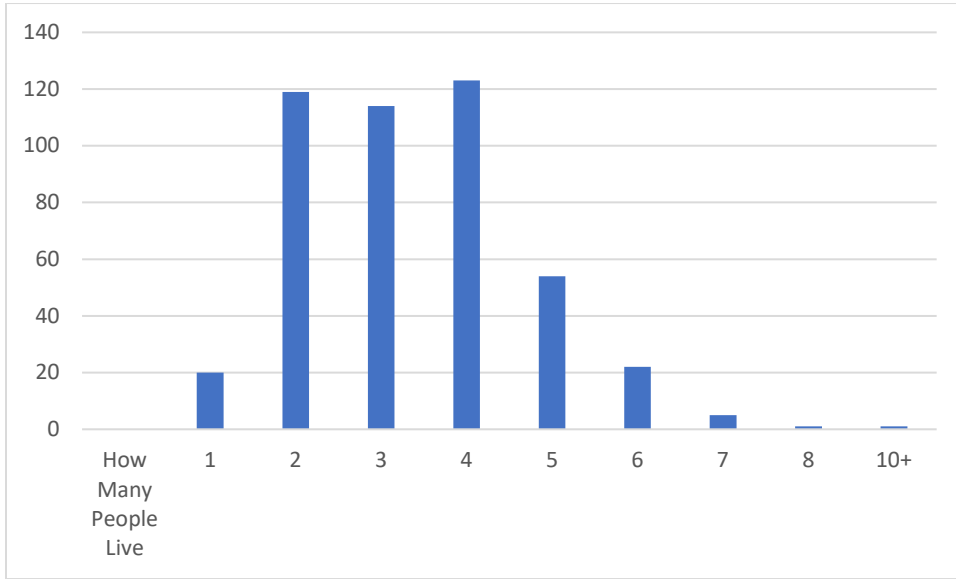
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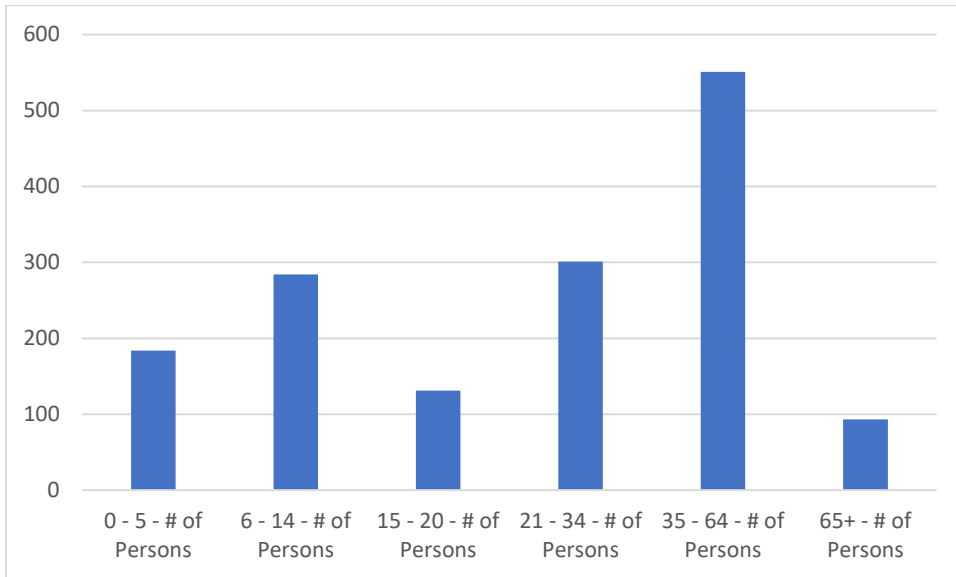
2. Check the racial/ethnic group that best describes your household.



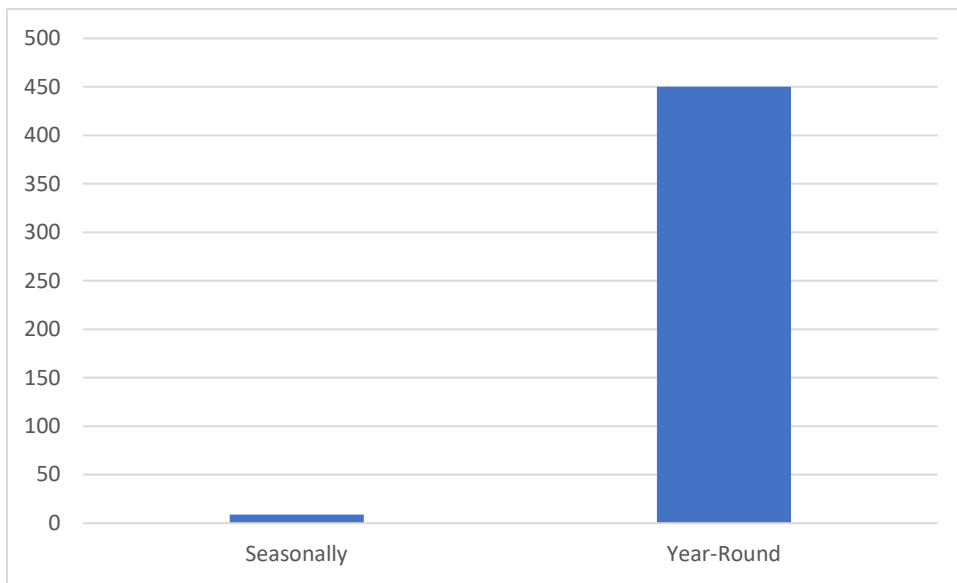
3. How many people live in your household?



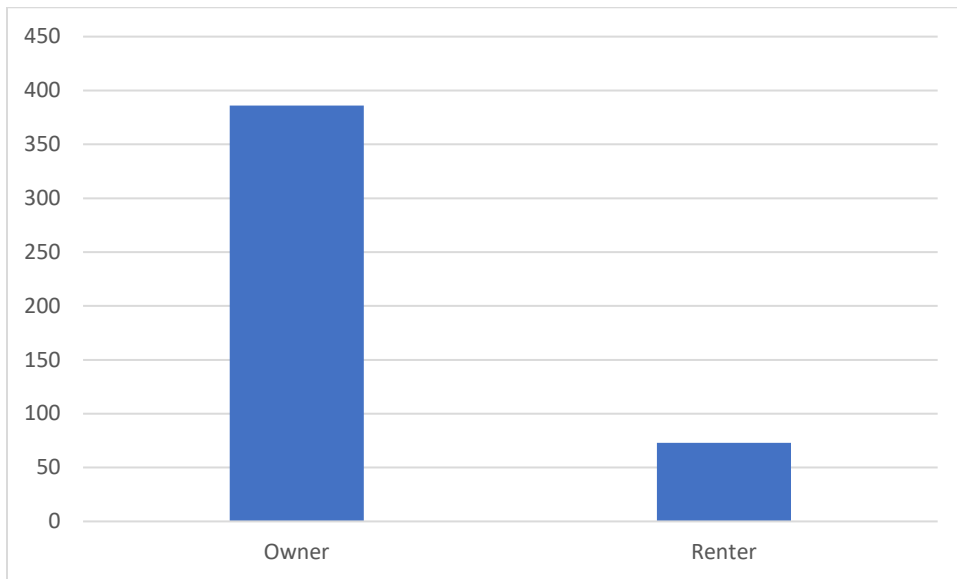
4. How many people in each age group live in your household?



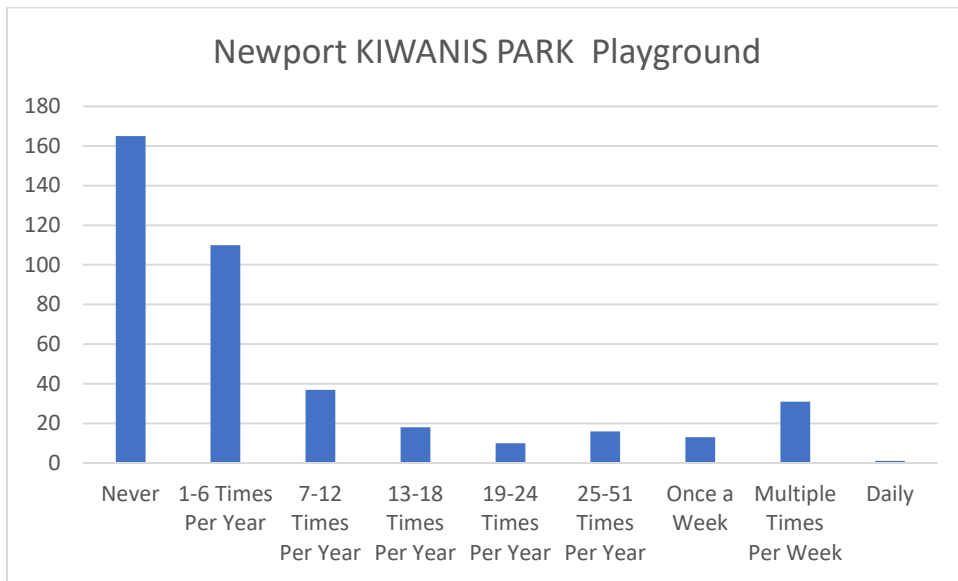
5. I live in Cocke County _____:



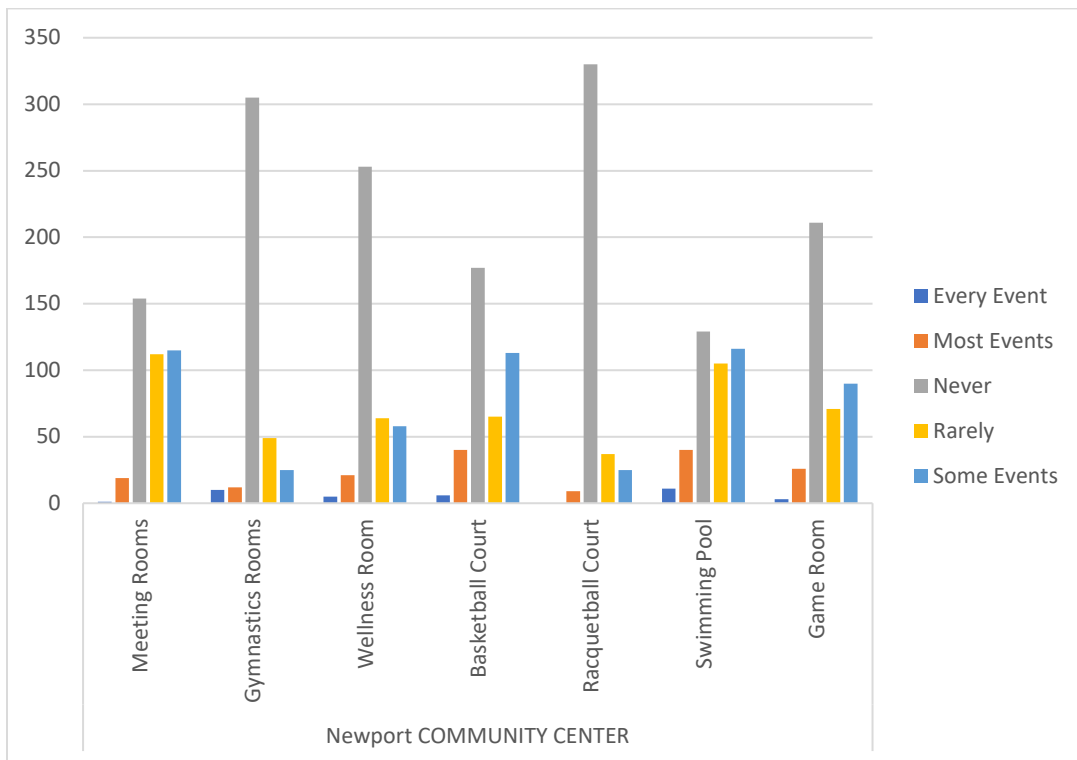
6. I am a/an _____:



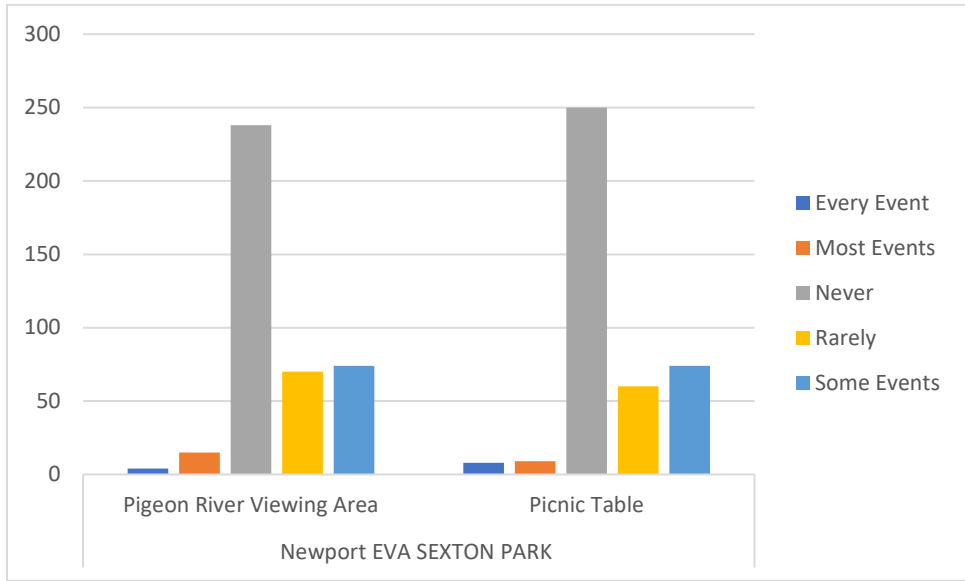
7. How often does your household use the following Newport KIWANIS PARK facilities?



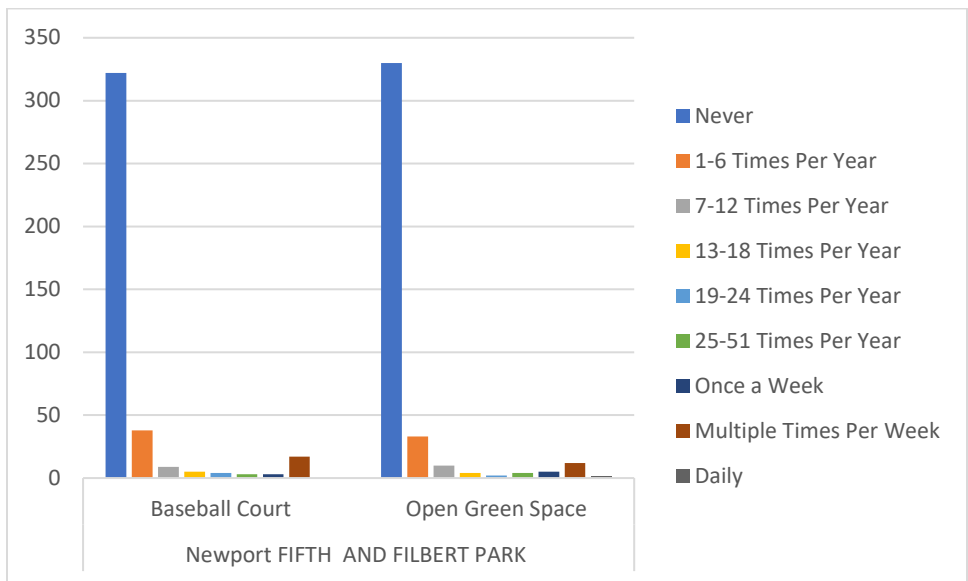
8. How often does your household use the following Newport COMMUNITY CENTER facilities?



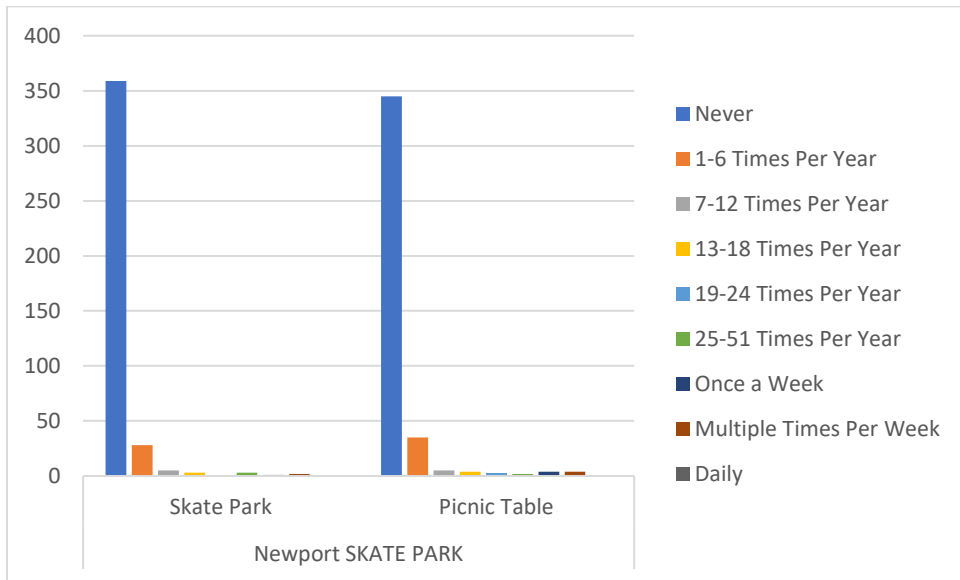
9. How often does your household use the following Newport EVA SEXTON PARK facilities?



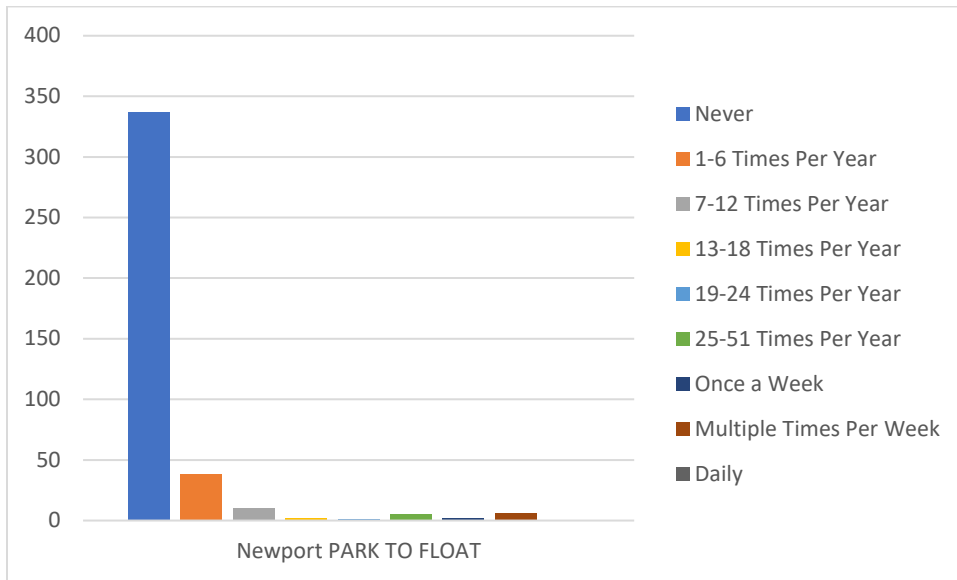
10. How often does your household use the following Newport FIFTH AND FILBERT PARK facilities?



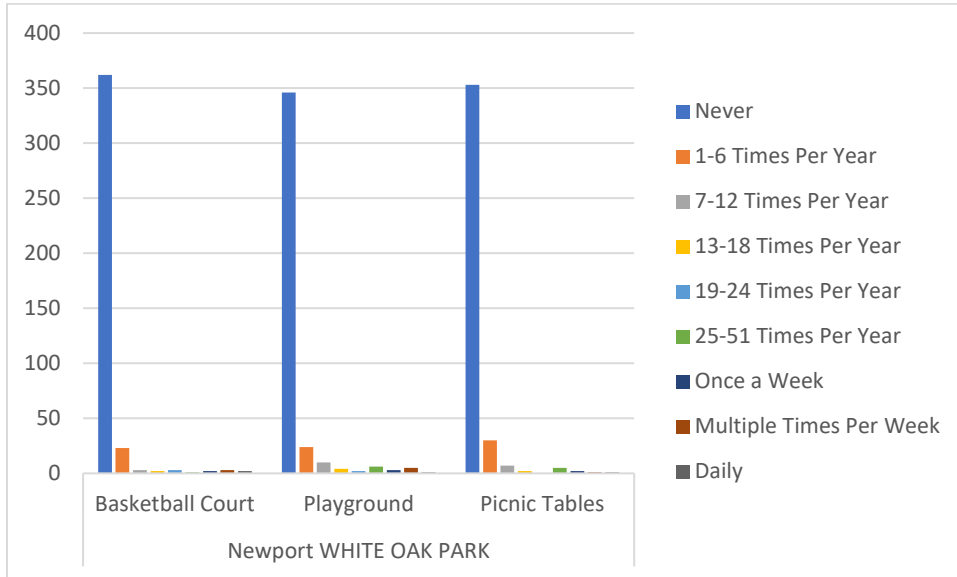
11. How often does your household use the following Newport SKATE PARK facilities?



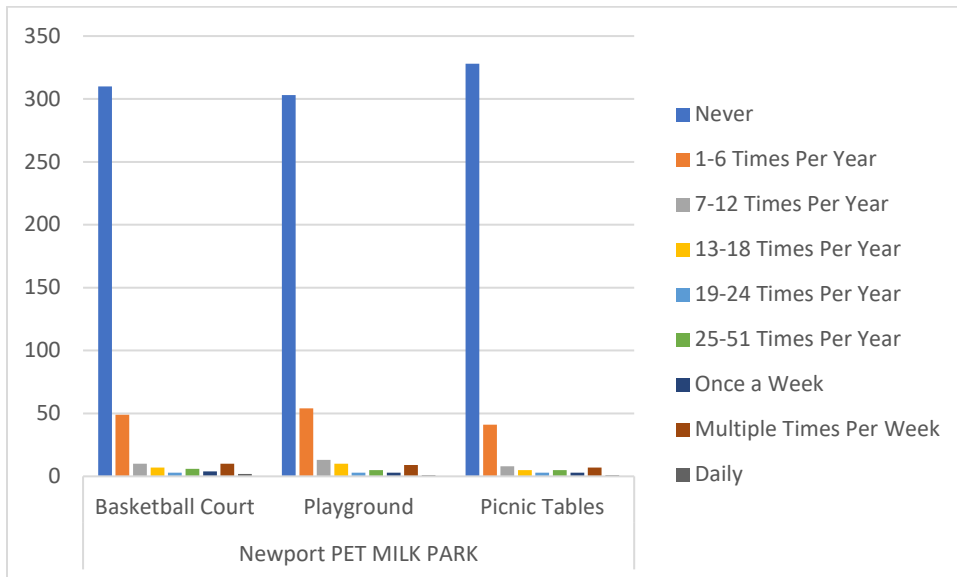
12. How often does your household use the following Newport PARK TO FLOAT facilities?



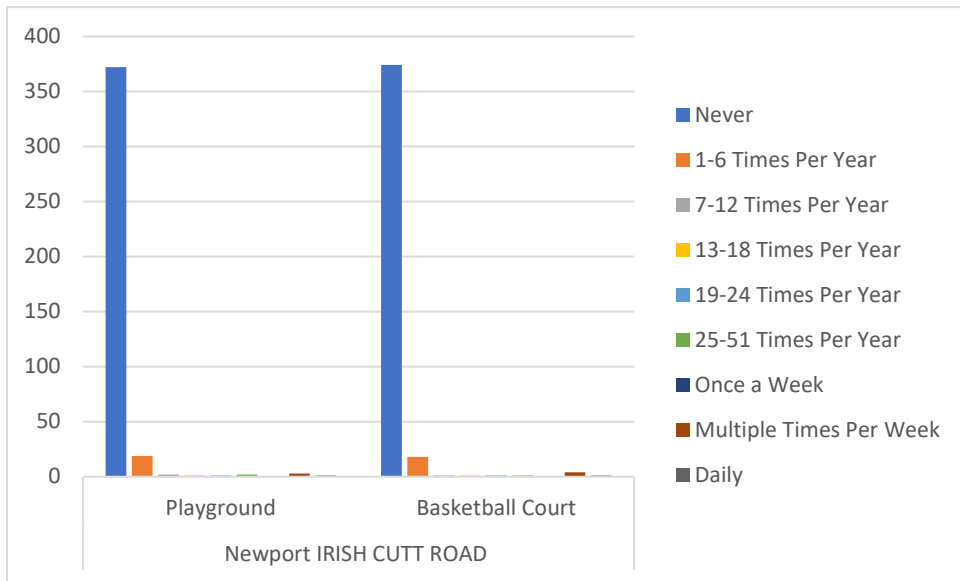
13. How often does your household use the following Newport WHITE OAK PARK facilities?



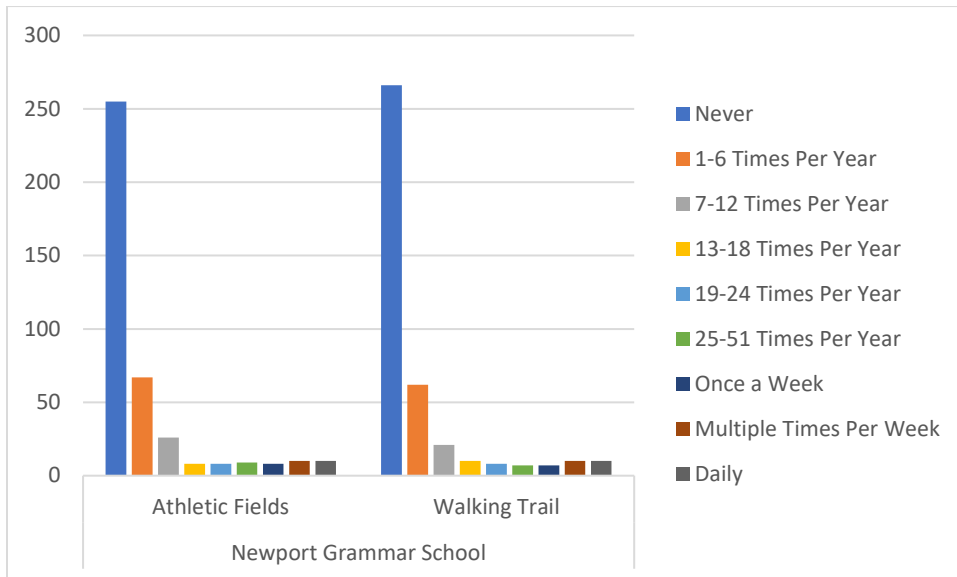
14. How often does your household use the following Newport PET MILK PARK facilities?



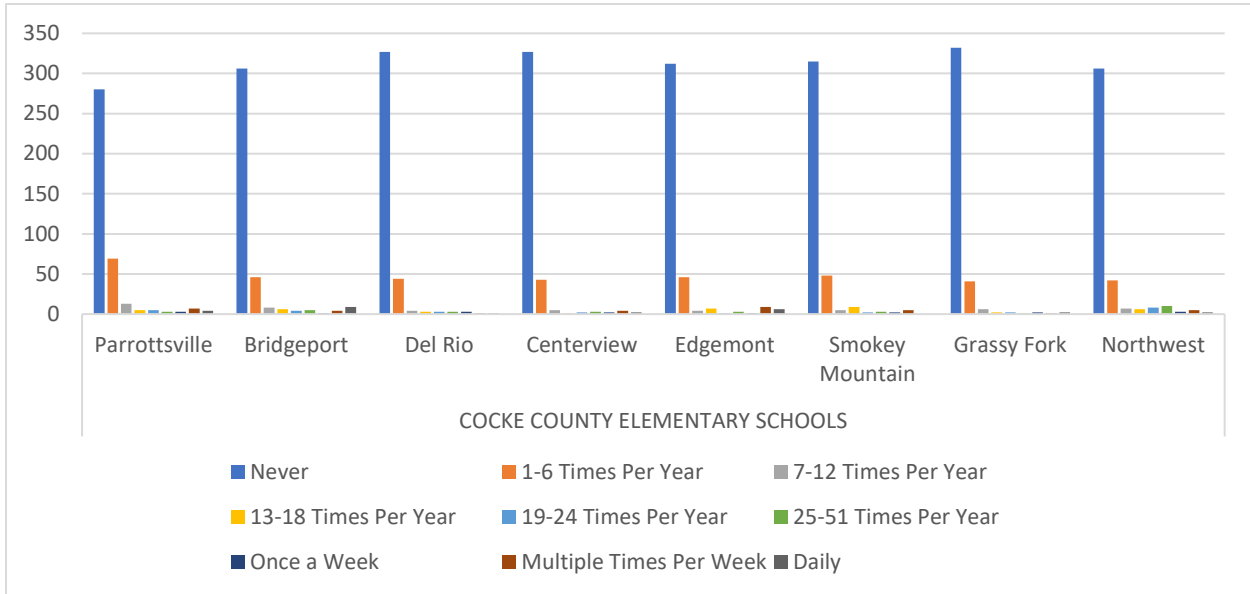
15. How often does your household use the following Newport IRISH CUTT ROAD playground facilities?



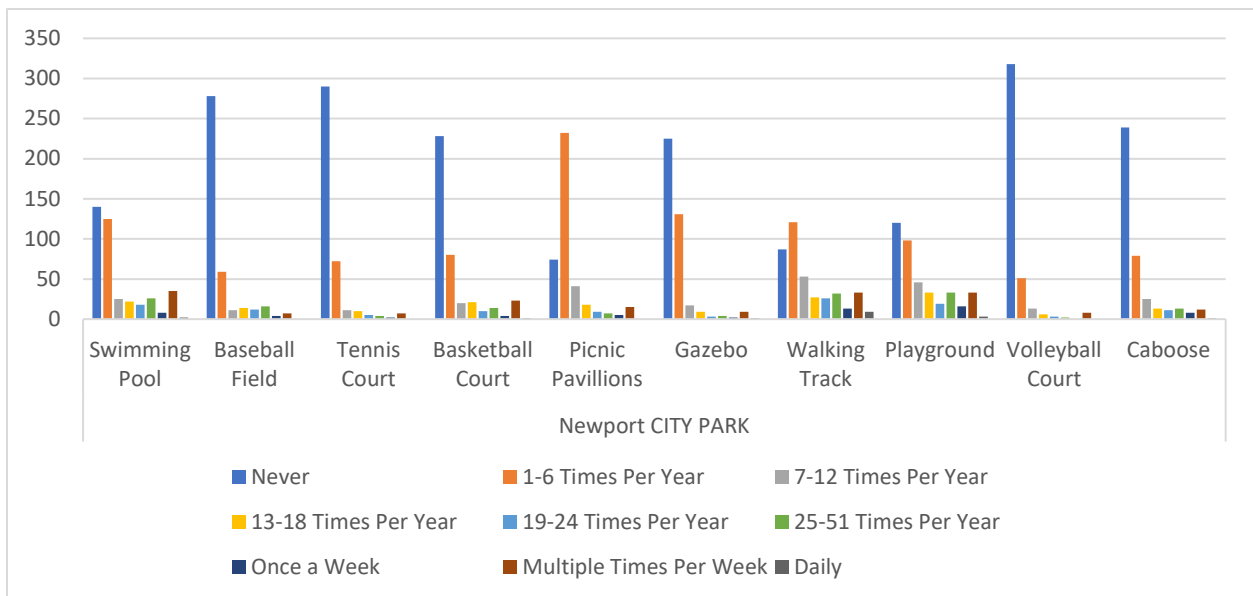
16. How often does your household use the following Newport GRAMMAR SCHOOL facilities?



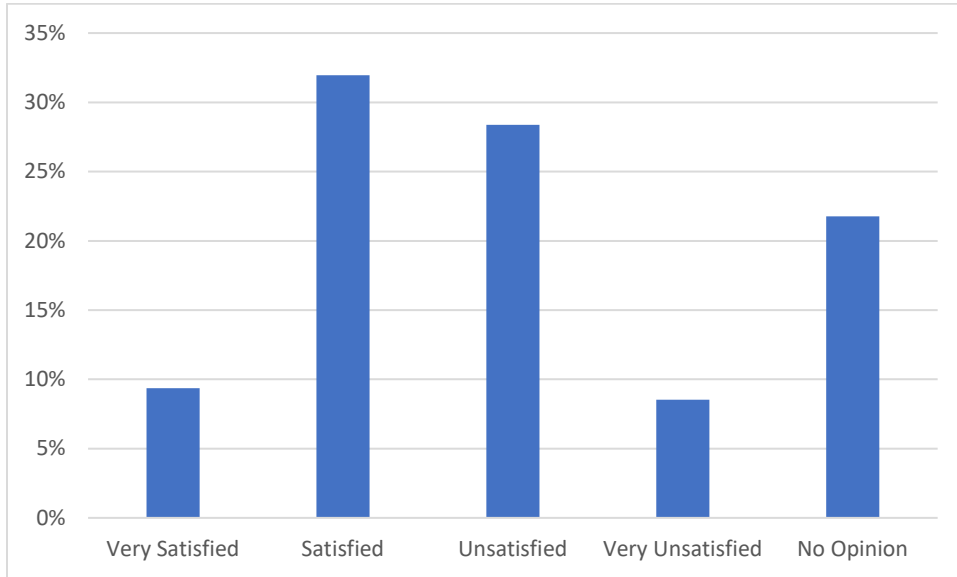
17. How often does your household use the following Newport CITY PARK facilities?



18. How often does your household use recreational facilities at the following COCKE COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS?

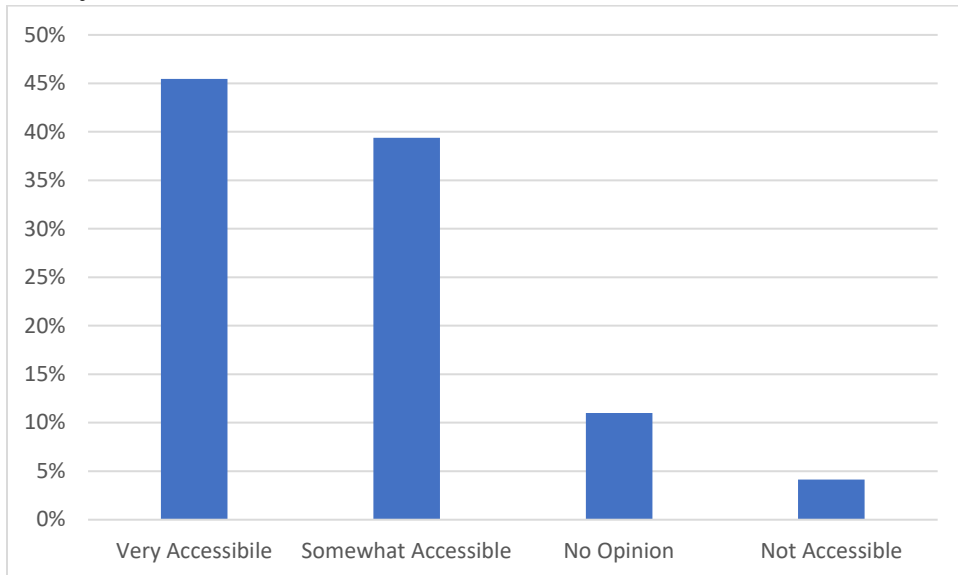


19. How satisfied are you with the current parks and recreation facilities and activities in Cocke County?



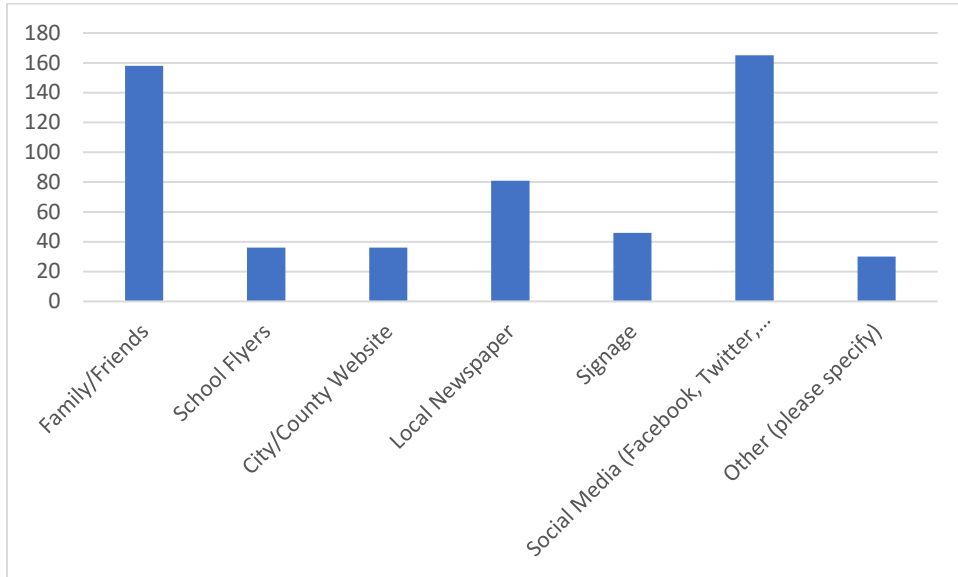
20. If you are “unsatisfied” or “very unsatisfied,” what recommendations would you offer to improve the above facilities? See Open Ended Responses

21. How accessible are the facilities and activities provided by Newport/Cocke County to all citizens no matter their age, race, religion, gender, national origins, or physical ability?



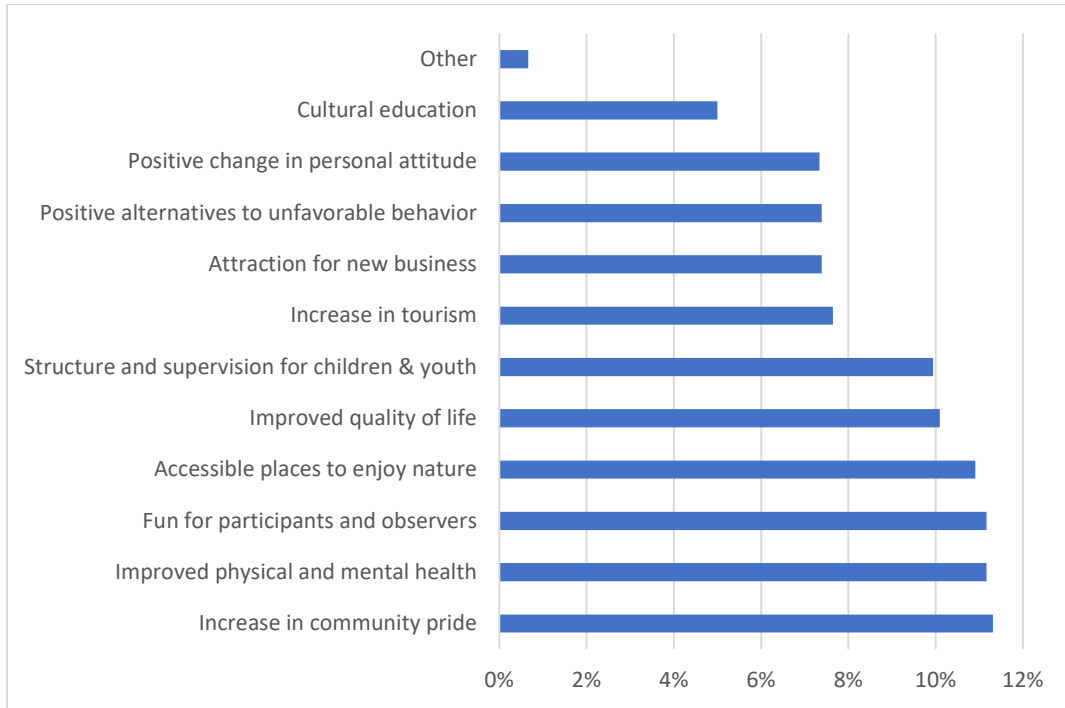
22. If you believe the facilities and activities are not accessible, what recommendations would you offer to improve accessibility of the above facilities? See Open Ended Responses

23. How did you last hear about the parks and recreation activities offered to your household? (check all that apply).

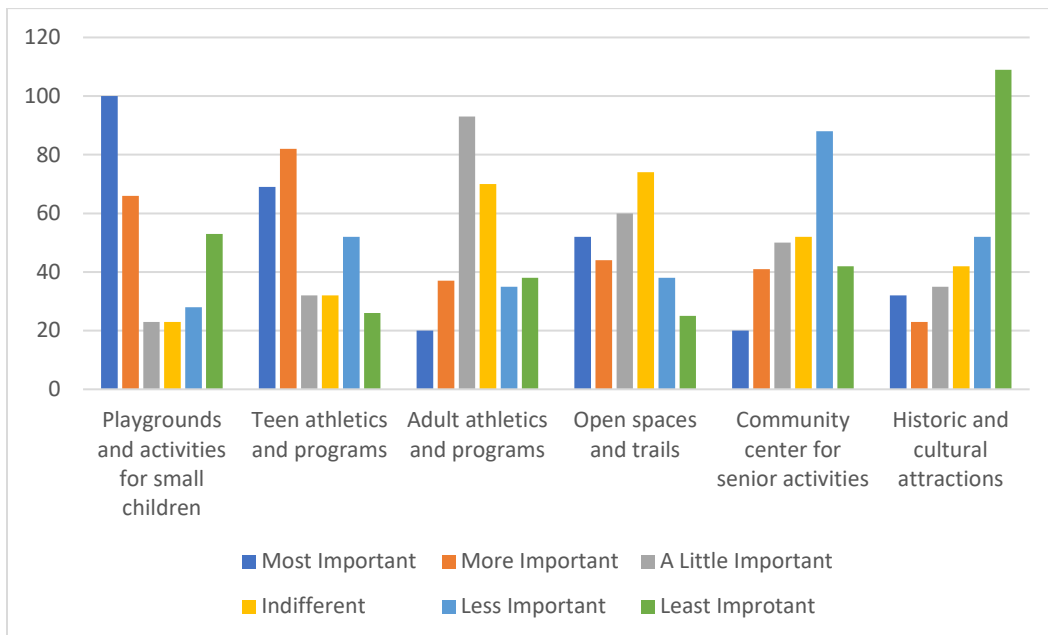


24. Other than City and County Parks in Cocke County, what other parks and recreation activities does your family do in our region (within 20 miles or a 30 minute drive)? See Open Ended Responses

25. Which of the following activities and services do you think are important for public parks and recreation agencies to provide? (Check all that apply)

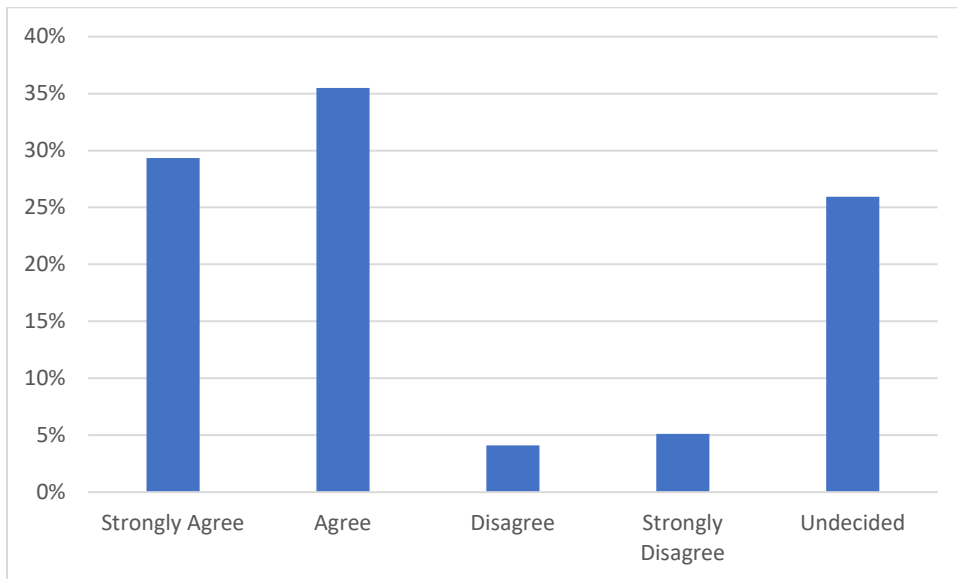


26. Please rank the following activities in order of importance for your household; 1 being the highest priority/most important, and 6 being the lowest priority/least important.

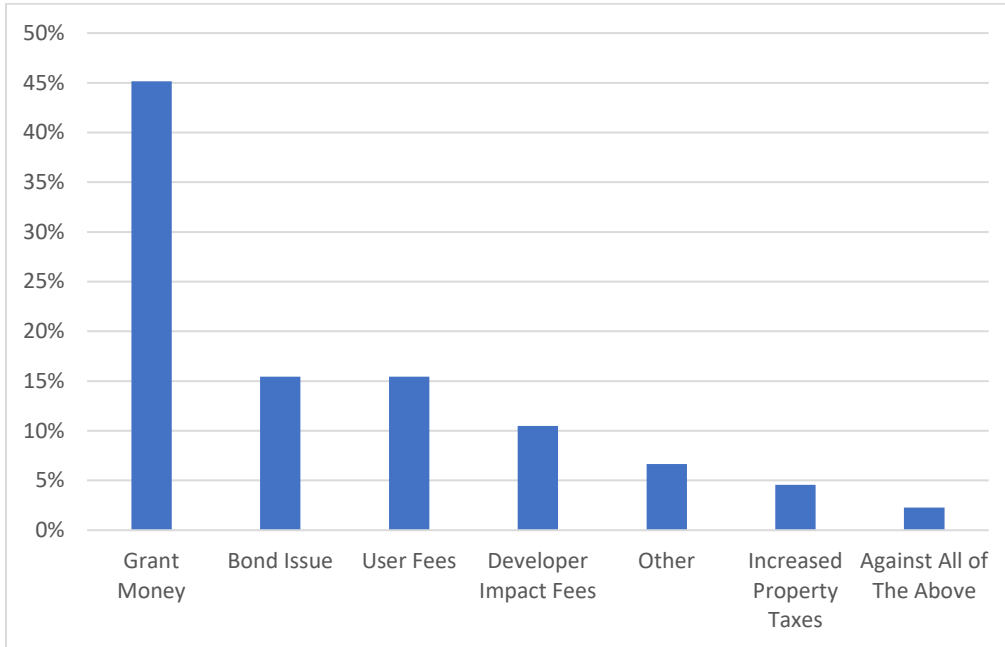


27. Are there any additional activities that members of your household would like to see provided by Newport/Cocke County? See Open Ended Responses

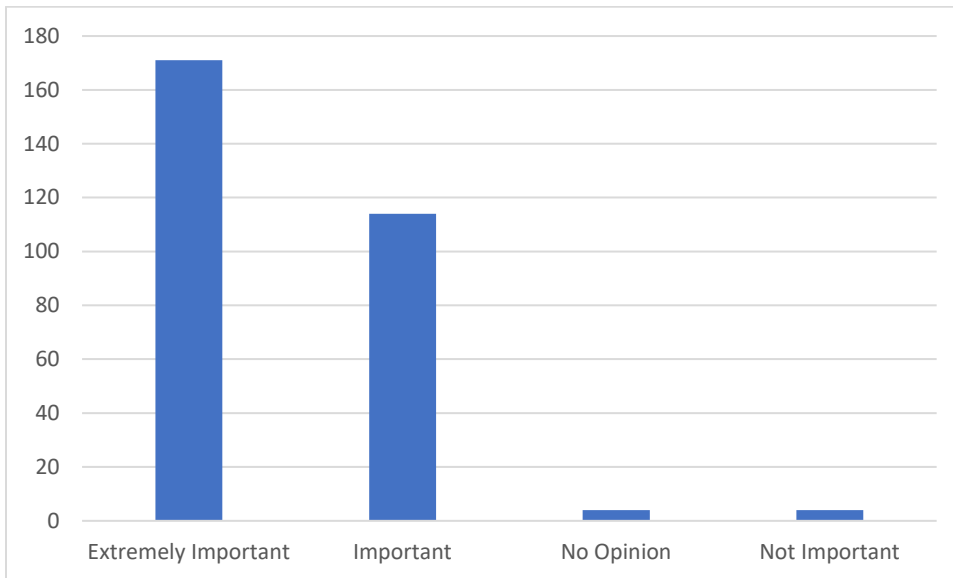
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**29. How should the Newport and Cocke County finance new recreation facilities?
(Check all lines you feel appropriate to use.)**



30. How important do you think it is to provide new or improved recreation facilities and activities for our community?



31. Please provide any other comments and suggestions relative to Parks and Recreation you would offer to the City of Newport and Cocke County for our consideration. *See Open Ended Responses*

If you are "unsatisfied" or "very unsatisfied", what recommendations would you offer to improve the above facilities?

- 1 Open-Ended Response
- 2 More things to do for school aged kids
- 3 Loves the swim program!
- 4 More places for walking (walking tracks, trails in the county)
- 5 Drastic changes/remodeling of the grounds and equipment. Perhaps, better up keep on all of it to lengthen life span of grounds and equipment.
- 6 More basketball courts. So younger kids could play and practice. A few splash pad would be great. A place to ride bicycles for families. A lot of families are on a budget and don't have a lot of money. Maybe sell yearly passes for the pools. And upgrade the community center game room and the Sauna in the women's bathroom. There's not much to do here in Newport. Maybe an arcade
- 7 Better upkeep and improvement is needed there isn't many things for our children to do .
- 8 We need more greenways
- 9 Would be nice for Carson Springs to have a play ground near Edgemont School and exercise walking course,the police could monitor the area to keep it safe and assign the community to help keep it clean
- 10 Larger playgrounds, river access, more publicity/maps of parks other than city park
- 11 Im satisfied but the newport city park could use an upgrade in restrooms there's no soap!!
- 12 Newport/Cocke County already working on the Pet Milk Farm Park.
- 13 Tim Dockery doing great job. But Evans suck for county
- 14 Have more swings and things for younger children
- 15 More equipment needed for baby to toddler size. Much of the equipment seems to be old and outdated.
- 16 Have more advertising, offer classes, I feel like it'd there but not utilized... special offers to bring people in
- 17 A splash pad at the Newport City Park so we don't have to go to other counties to cool off and have fun with our children.
- 18 No parks in our section of the county
- 19 In such a beautiful county the park should be at least a bit more diverse and interesting.
- 20 Community center could be more affordable for citizens to use facilities. More publicity on what facilities are available through park department. I was unaware of over half of the places mentioned above
- 21 Would love to see a Splash Pad for my grandchildren to use.
- 22 I honestly had no idea about any of those areas.
- 23 Paved areas for wheelchairs and walkers.
- 24 Better equipment and cleaner area

- 25 Enclosed area for large and small dogs. Similar to what Sevierville has opened.
- 26 We love the park in Newport, but we would love to have a splash pad put in. Also, we live in Del Rio and it would be so nice to have an accessible park.
- 27 Better equipment, more age appropriate things, better upkeep.
- 28 Why tell a 13 year old autistic child they cant have candy at trunk or treat at the City Park and Rec booth when everyone else there handed out candy. This was a reason why were looking to take our business to other counties for activities.
- 29 A splash pad and better playin equipment/swings
- 30 Needs more activities for older children they have nothing to do and nowhere to go
- 31 We need things for smaller children. Need more working employees to make sure everything is working properly or making sure older children aren't tearing anything up. Also we need a pet park. We also need a better or another pool. We need a cover on the playground at the city park.
- 32 There is not a variety of playground equipment for older children, and the playgrounds at the schools are not available to the community to utilize.
- 33 Splash pad
- 34 I'd love to see a splashpad added for children in the summer to enjoy.
- 35 would like more lap swim hours at community center
- 36 The park is slowly improving but I think we could use a nice splash pad, and more things for a younger child to do I have a 3 year old and there isn't much she can do there but we would LOVE a splash pad
- 37 Better playground equipment, better walking tracks, splash pad
- 38 There are nothing for the children to do.
- 39 Finish the 6th street basketball court. We used to play on it 2 times per week. Now it is torn down.
- 40 Improve the river walk use public domain laws if needed to finish the project.
- 41 Better/more equipment
- 42 Multiple splash pads or at least one in Parrottsville and Newport
- 43 Most of the facilities I've been to (city park mostly) is full of junkies. I've seen needles on the walking track, condoms, etc.
- 44 Splash pad for smaller kids
- 45 They need a section for smaller child and toddler and a splash pad. Like white pines park.. it would bring more people to.the area not having to travel. But would love to see a splash pad.
- 46 Splash pad for newport!!! And more kids play equipment. Love the new one !
- 47 Better facilities. Paving a rectangular patch and throwing up a basketball hoop does not make it a park.
- 48 I wish there were more for the kids and updated equipment

49 Splash pad needed

50 I would love to see more for kids with disabilities and also for toddlers and small kids. A splash pad would be an amazing addition as well!

51 Offer a splash pad or water park for cocke county so we don't have to travel outside the county. Newport city park pool is over crowded in the summer and is filthy!

52 Establish, advertise and maintain river access points

53 All the parks are rundown. The community center is ok, but with old and run down games. Get new equipment.

54 Extend river walk for miles

55 City and County should be in one direction not two separate entities.

56 Make facilities more up to date. Would like more activities like yoga and/or dance fitness classes (more fitness classes in general)

57 We need a splash pad

58 Feel the need for security after dark to walk when the heat is not so intense

59 Each community should have something. Cosby offers nothing.

60 I've lived here over a year, and I have no idea what facilities are available for us to use. Since I'm not officially in Newport City limits, am I allowed to use Newport places? What little I know is from posts on facebook garage sale groups and what little I catch in the paper.

61 We need places for children to ride bikes, scoreboards for all baseball fields, and better advertisement of the places available...we didn't know about some listed on this survey and would go if we had known

62 We are very happy with the recent improvements at the Newport City Park playground. We also love the Kiwanis playground adjacent to NGS. It comes in handy while waiting between kindergarten dismissal and normal dismissal. The walking track at NGS is nice but the track at the City Park is in dire need of some paving repairs in a few sections. We would also love to see a slide return to the Irish Cutt playground.

63 not very interesting for the family, they are kinda boring not many activities and interesting things to do in them.

64 We need a soccer complex its the up and coming sport in this area

65 Parks and Rec seems to be the most functional and well kept arm of our local govt. Efforts could be made to make the community center's interior more welcoming. It's always seemed depressing in there although the facilities are adequate. Would love to see more emphasis on public gatherings such as Trick or Treat at the Track. More music and art would be wonderful for the community. More signage would also boost usage. The hardwoods at the city park are a treasure to our community and a haven for owls. Maybe we could create public art or signage that draws light to that and other nature education topics.

66 More games

- 67 We need a splash pad for our kids so we don't got to go out of town not everyone can afford the pool evey day I have adopted to babies with no income except my disability so we do anything free we can to have fun for them
- 68 A splash pad would be great, somewhere in Cosby other than at the schools would be nice. It takes us around 20+ minutes to get from our house to the Newport city park which is the only playground I take our kids to. Parrottsville is nice but too far of a drive.
- 69 I would like to see Del Rio school's playground updated. A splash pad somewhere in Cocke County would be a great addition too!
- 70 The bathrooms at city park are horrible! How hard is it to install a faucet with matching handles to turn water on like at the women's by walking track? I went to a tournament baseball game at the big field this summer and there were ZERO paper towels and ALWAYS dirty! The new playground equipment needs a canopy overhead for shade. Can't use those slides when the sun has been on them.
- 71 Remove the mayor and sheriff and you will see funds open up. Lower property taxes and see more business growth
- 72 Updated and kept clean
- 73 I think should to have an indoor recreational center in Newport with all sports with multiple courts. We should have tournaments in this area to make up cost and boost our economy! This also would create jobs and get our youth more ingaged with activities instead of trouble. Also I feel we need a splash pad at our parks.
- 74 Take a look @ servierville park , swimming pool/ water park with water slide, DOG PARKS,, Morristown & white pine splash pads
- 75 Picnic tables need to be fixed More grills need to put near tables
- 76 Needs more for the kids to do, more playground equipment. Fairer choices with sports. Needs to be more about the kids and less about who you know.
- 77 Newer updated playground equipment would be nice.
- 78 Splash pad.
- 79 Put more benches in shade and update or paint the 50 year old swings and make it clean looking and maybe a water pad like in white pine
- 80 More playequipment at city park and splash pad
- 81 More outdoor tracks and activities
- 82 Some of the parks look very run-down. I would allow my children to play at them. They are scary.
- 83 We need a complex that includes all of the different sports. Baseball fields volleyball basketball. Larger places to accommodate tournaments.
- 84 Our county needs a splash pad. Many families travel to White Pine in order to use their facilities.

- 85 -splash pad -new/safer equipment on playgrounds -Keep parks cleaner -Better maintaining of grounds at parks -Better access to baseball/football fields at city park. Or maintain the other fields in the city as well as though as are maintained. As a city tax payer I feel as though it is a right that we should have access to all facilities and if not then all should be maintained just as well as the ones that are not open to the public.
- 86 Need a splash pad for kids and would love to see the pool stay open longer in the evening to accommodate those of us who work and would use it after work.
- 87 Splash Pad Meeting Rooms Stipend for Coaches Rec Area at Parrottsville
- 88 I feel that we can't use the school play grounds because of all the signs posted on the grounds. I would live to see a park in each area of the county that is not school related.
- 89 Community Center pool.. private dressing areas, turn on saunas for use, get steps for exiting the pool. Everyone can't use a ladder. Make sure pool is heated enough to know the chill off, doesn't need to be warm water.
- 90 We visit the city park multiple times a week because I work over at the grocery. However, dogs aren't welcome in most areas of the city parks. It is an inconvenience for those of us who are pet owners and enjoy taking our dogs for walks. However, I also live next to the new river put-in and often walk my dog to that area for exercise or one of the many dog parks near Morristown.
- 91 The playground equipment needs updated It also needs more for the kids to do...
- 92 Information about the facilities! I had no clue that half of these places existed!
- 93 Add more greenway space along the Pigeon River or start one along the French Broad. And please update the exercise equipment at the Community Center. Could you partner with the YMCA to lease the space in exchange for putting in up to date equipment and provide programs for children and adults. This wonderful facility still looks pretty much the way it looked when it was built in the late 70s.
- 94 Disc golf rules
- 95 More coordination in each community. Have to drive too far for activities
- 96 More walking trails, pet friendly, and playgrounds up to date play equipment at multiple places
- 97 Put a splash pad in at one of the parks more walking tracks I didn't know the walking track at Grammer was a public walk way
- 98 Shade closer to the playgrounds so parents can enjoy too. Also adding a splash pad!
- 99 Update and clean the facilities.
- 100 Improve equipment, adult uses, bathrooms, update ballparks zzzzzz
- 101 Our parks activity centers for children are very dated. Same equipment (aside from the new play area that was put in this summer) has been there for years and years and I feel is way behind other parks in surrounding counties. I would love to see a splash pad added to our park.

- 102 Later evening hours for classes. I get off at 6pm and would love to do a Yoga class after work. Adult only swim times in the evenings. Just things like that. I think the Community Center closes too early in the evenings. A facility to rent canoes and put in at the River behind the police station would be awesome! Also, Re the Community Center Bathrooms/showers....I really never have felt they're clean enough.
- 103 More activities
- 104 Water park added.
- 105 Updated equipment and facilities
- 106 Updated playground for children
- 107 Keep dogs off walking track.
- 108 Restrooms could be updated. There's poor lighting at the city park restroom.It would also be nice to have soap and if no towels hand dryers that work.
- 109 More adult activities and extended hours for the community center.
- 110 I would like to see any type of level exercise trail and facilities for events.
- 111 Splash pad!
- 112 Water park for the kids
- 113 You have started by putting new equipment in.
- 114 Dog park. Place for bikes and roller skates.
- 115 Need more activities for the older kids!
- 116 More options should be given to residents. Should try to get facilities used more with tournaments...prime location! Upgrade fields and teams will come to play
- 117 I would like to see a dog park in Newport.
- 118 We need a dog park!!!! Less restrictions on dogs at the City park walking track. We also need greenways, not sidewalks designated as greenways but actual greenways!!!! Also could we maybe get a better web page that actually lists the parks and facilities? Maybe run more ads in the paper as well letting the community know what the parks and rec departments has to offer.
- 119 The parks in our community need to be upgraded. The Newport City Park area needs a designated area for football only and not use the baseball fields.
- 120 We need more options, would love have a ymca or large center like in Dandridge facility large area with exercise equipment, are fir rentals parties .
- 121 Anything. The minor playground upgrades to the city park were just the tip of a sinking iceberg
- 122 The city park needs a splash pad. If you are worried about cost charge a \$1 per person until it is paid. The majority of cities have one. Even White Pine has one and their facility outclasses any park in Newport by far.
- 123 Parks aren't clean or safe really for my and child to feel comfortable

- 124 My complaints is about schedules for Rec ballgames. They are never made out in a timely manner. We would find out on Thursday about a game on Friday. I would like to see schedules made for the whole season! I would also like to have larger facilities for the rec basketball games. It is always so crowded in the Rec. Dept and Community Center you can't find a place to sit.
- 125 Better equipment. Security
- 126 Irish Cut park needs a slide and other parks need to be maintained better
- 127 First I would make all parks more well known...I have lived in cocke county 13 years didn't know there was that many parks
- 128 They need to be worked on and up dated.
- 129 Just plain better the bandaid on the tennis courts and basketball court was a waist. Allow bikes everywhere or create a bike path county wide mountain bike trail ohv trail systems a county rec facility in each respected community in believable we are still stuck in the past. Educate on whitewater we have an amazing whitewater river to create world class paddlers. But no easy path to introductions and a only about tax dollars relationship with the outfitters on the river. Wow, I would rather sit down and chat. 4237484464 chad
- 130 Need to have more county parks with hiking trails and or bike trails.
- 131 Quit spending money on stuff that is not important when you have roads that are trying peoples cars and trucks apart. You have schools that have rec. areas why spent money on parks when you can not afford roads to drive on????
- 132 I think that their needs to be a splash pad at the City Park so parents don't have to take kids out of town to go to one
- 133 They need a splash pad like Morristown has, I have 4 grandkids and I have to drive all the way to Morristown for them to play cause the park pool is so crowded with older kids that I just don't feel like it's safe to take my grandkids there, and we need more basketball courts at the city park also, it is always full of adults playing and the 10 to 14 year old kids can't get a chance to use the court, more play things for the younger kids suck as for ages 3 to 7, I think there is a lot that could be done to improve things at the city park for all ages of children. Thanks.
- 134 Would like to see a baseball softball complex with multiple fields
- 135 Need facilities outside of Newport in the other communties.
- 136 Kids need somewhere they can have fun but be safe.. like what Gatlinburg n sevierville has.. some place that all kids can come and enjoy there self
- 137 Not modern enough not up to date not enough equipment
- 138 Keeping bathroom cleaner better water in bathrooms and soap would be nice...
- 139 Make them smoke free. Just because you're outside doesn't mean everyone around should have to breath it.
- 140 Some of the stuff at newport city park are broken and havent been tended to since i was a kid im 30...
- 141 Hire more qualified employees and take better care of athletic facilities.

142 More things for the older (teenage) kids to do. Making all the parks more known would also help tremendously!

143 Have some kind of community center or park in Cosby

144 I am not very happy with the river walk area being so close to the jail. With the jailhouse losing it's certifications, I think a larger facility away from downtown would make Newport more attractive for business. The landscape work around the river walk area could be better. Perhaps even add a splashpad and small play area somewhere nearby. There is a lot of potential.

145 Add more activities and keep them clean

146 More organized programs in softball for youth and adults. Fields could be better maintained, or look into a possible sports complex.

147 Better parking updated bathrooms better ball fields

If you believe the facilities and activities are not accessible, what recommendations would you offer to improve accessibility of the above facilities?

1 Think CCRD do a great job wish it was bigger but they do the best with what they have

2 I didn't know we had access to the play areas and walking areas at the schools.

3 More areas with handicap play equipment

4 Evans fired.

5 It's too jammed up in a little space. I wish the park had more land

6 less curbs. sidewalks in the community instead of only developing park settings. county wide bike paths or off road mountain bike trails

7 Playground in Del Rio for little ones. Splash park in Newport.

8 Paved areas for wheelchairs and walkers

9 N/a

10 The sidewalks and tracks are cracked and busted. Causing kids and disabled people to fall

11 We need part of the playgrounds to be handicapped accessible to the younger/elderly people. They should have the option to do what others are able to.

12 More options for handicap children

13 N/a

14 Create or update signs for facilities

15 Wheelchair accessibility

- 16 I believe that most facilities are available for most members of the community but I do believe there is room for growth in accessibility for people with disabilities. Irish Cutt is a great neighborhood playground but the entrance is cumbersome for even the able-bodied. The new sidewalks by the Kiwanis park look great. I'd love to see them continue along the ballfields, past the skate park and connect to the walking trails. I wish I was more familiar with the community center facilities but I just haven't really utilized them. I'm sure it's very accessible to the public; I'm just not sure why I haven't really used it.
- 17 a lot of people don't have transportation if we could offer some sort of transport maybe kids would be able to play sports more and that could lead them to stay away from drugs.
- 18 Na
- 19 As a child, I encountered racist comments from staff at the community center, but I believe progress has been made in our community. It would be helpful to create signage with depictions of diverse citizens enjoying the facilities in order to reinforce an expectation of inclusion.
- 20 Na
- 21 Need away to get around with strollers and wheelchairs easier
- 22 There aren't even sidewalks or public transportation for those with disabilities.
- 23 There is nothing for children with disabilities nor is there anyway for someone (grandparents) in wheel chairs (electric chairs) to get into and be mobile in the playground area ,, 1 little walk way that was just added but does not access the whole area
- 24 Should be more handicapped parking for picnic area
- 25 They need to be more wheelchair accessible.
- 26 Answered above
- 27 I think the playground needs to be accessible by wheelchair. Maybe a sidewalk that runs through it. And equipment that handicapped children can utilize. Maybe a special area just for them.
- 28 Give information to the citizens!!! Mail out an informative "brochure" to let us know about all of these different opportunities!
- 29 Have a person in a wheelchair come give you an assessment of your facilities.
- 30 Na
- 31 The parks are locked up early at night but some parents work 2nds and can't go until after work so they should remain unlocked
- 32 Extend the hours for community center.
- 33 Wheelchair access for those with children could be better facilitated with walkways throughout the playground.
- 34 I had no idea there were so many just don't know the address to find them.
- 35 Need more stuff for handicapped

- 36 Bathrooms need to be closer for handicapped people.
- 37 They are accessible but I wish there was more information about the parks. I didn't know some of them exist.
- 38 Better signage especially if there are facilities located at schools. A lot of people prefer to walk with their dogs especially line females. Make the parks more pet friendly. Remove the no dogs on track signs! Replace them with waste bag and removal stations like every other park in lost places.
- 39 Need more special needs equipment
- 40 More things are benches for people with disabilities that can't walk far and need to sit....more level places for disability people to go to fish
- 41 they are really city of Newport parks as none are in the county
- 42 It would be great to have playground equipment that could be used by all children regardless of disability.
- 43 More than 1 bathroom would be great.
- 44 I haven't even heard of some of the facilities. The ones I am familiar with are run down.
- 45 Handicapped accessible
- 46 ADA accessibility
- 47 Something accessible in Cosby.

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- 2 Activity 1
- 3 Bowl - 25/70 Newport TN
- 4 hiking- panther creek
- 5 hiking, camping- cosby park (national)
- 6 rafting- hartford
- 7 tubing, rafting, swimming - national park lands
- 8 boat, canoe, kayak- douglas lake
- 9 bowling, camping, fishing- victory lanes, paint creek
- 10 Hiking- national park, cosby
- 11 smokies, cosby entrance
- 12 boating, rafting, fishing
- 13 shoestring creek, campground hiking company
- 14 rafting, camping, hartford, cosby

- 15 biking, bike route
- 16 Hiking
- 17 Swimming
- 18 Camping
- 19 Mountain biking
- 20 Boating
- 21 Hiking
- 22 Hiking
- 23 Walking, hiking
- 24 Zumba
- 25 Kayaking
- 26 hiking
- 27 Boating
- 28 Hiking
- 29 Fishing
- 30 Riding
- 31 Biking
- 32 Splash pad
- 33 Splash pad in white pine
- 34 Splash pads
- 35 tubing the river
- 36 Hiking
- 37 Boating
- 38 GSMNP hiking, camping
- 39 hiking in the National Park and National forest
- 40 Walking paths
- 41 Hiking
- 42 Hiking
- 43 Rafting
- 44 Boating
- 45 Hiking
- 46 Rafting
- 47 Hiking mtns
- 48 Hiking
- 49 Splash pad

- 50 Dog park in Sevierville
- 51 Splash Pad
- 52 Fishing
- 53 Splash pad
- 54 Hiking
- 55 Canoeing
- 56 hiking
- 57 Hiking
- 58 We like to go to the splash pad in white pine
- 59 Picnics
- 60 trunk or treat
- 61 Boating
- 62 Hiking
- 63 hiking
- 64 Splash pad
- 65 Hiking
- 66 Boating
- 67 Boating
- 68 White pine splash pad
- 69 Splash Pad in Greeneville and White Pine
- 70 boating
- 71 Boating
- 72 Rock climbing (rock wall)
- 73 We go hiking and mountain climbing and enjoy the creeks if we are around them. This county needs a splash pad for all to enjoy. We drive all the way to white pine for the splash pad option at their park.
- 74 Hiking
- 75 Hiking
- 76 White Pine Splash Pad
- 77 Hiking
- 78 Walking trail
- 79 Kayaking
- 80 Hiking
- 81 White pine splash pad
- 82 Hiking

- 83 Hiking
- 84 Boating
- 85 Splash pad
- 86 Fishing
- 87 Hiking
- 88 Hiking
- 89 Hiking
- 90 Boating
- 91 boating
- 92 Boating
- 93 Hiking
- 94 Biking
- 95 Walking on trails
- 96 Hiking
- 97 Sevierville pool
- 98 Hiking
- 99 Hike
- 100 Mild hiking at paint creek
- 101 hiking
- 102 Sevierjump
- 103 We like to hike the nature trail at the Cosby entrance to GSMNP.
- 104 Mountain climbing
- 105 hiking
- 106 hiking,
- 107 Soccer
- 108 Hiking
- 109 Hiking
- 110 Trampoline park
- 111 Hiking
- 112 Lake
- 113 Dual Sport Motorcycling on National Forest Roads
- 114 4wheel activities
- 115 mountain climbing in cosby
- 116 Hiking
- 117 Hunting

118 Hiking
119 Hiking
120 Hiking
121 Kayaking
122 Hiking
123 4 wheeling
124 Hiking
125 Walking National Park
126 Splash pad
127 Hiking
128 Splash pad in White Pine
129 Fishing
130 Bowling
131 Swimming
132 Hike
133 Fishing
134 Hiking
135 Fishing
136 camping
137 Hiking
138 Hiking
139 Softball tournament
140 Hiking
141 Splash pads in white pad and morristown
142 Hiking
143 Hiking
144 White water rafting weekly
145 camping
146 Going to Ripleys Aquarium and learning about the fish.
147 Hiking!
148 Hiking
149 Disc golf
150 Kayaking on all rivers
151 Hiking
152 Hiking

- 153 AaRiding dirt bike and 4 wheelers
- 154 Hiking
- 155 Boating
- 156 Dog park
- 157 Hiking
- 158 Hiking
- 159 Hiking
- 160 Hiking
- 161 Hiking
- 162 Hiking
- 163 Splash pad
- 164 Hiking
- 165 Hiking
- 166 Camping
- 167 Hiking
- 168 Jefferson County Elementary school playground
- 169 Douglas Lake
- 170 Hiking
- 171 Hiking
- 172 hiking
- 173 Boating
- 174 Splash pad
- 175 Hiking
- 176 Hiking
- 177 Splash pad
- 178 Cosby creek picnic area
- 179 Hiking
- 180 Sports fields in Pigeon Forge
- 181 Hiking
- 182 Hiking
- 183 Hiking
- 184 Splash pad
- 185 Boating
- 186 Hiking
- 187 Field Of Dreams- Baseball

- 188 Hiking
- 189 Softball
- 190 Hiking
- 191 White Pine splash pad/playground
- 192 Fishing
- 193 Boating
- 194 Hiking
- 195 Disc golf
- 196 Hiking
- 197 Camping
- 198 ATV riding
- 199 Boat in morristown or white pine...dont know where boat in cocke county
- 200 Hiking
- 201 Hiking
- 202 Biking
- 203 Hiking
- 204 Hiking
- 205 boating
- 206 Motorcycle riding in the mountains
- 207 Hiking, Cosby park
- 208 Splash pad at White Pine
- 209 Football
- 210 Basketball
- 211 Mills park
- 212 hiking canoeing fishing
- 213 We like for the whole family to go to Cosby campground and have picnics and try to play in the creek but it's hard to find a place that is very easy access to the creek, I am disabled and my ex-husband has Parkinson's so it's really hard to find a good place.
- 214 Football
- 215 Boating
- 216 Galtinburg
- 217 Hiking
- 218 Hiking
- 219 Hiking
- 220 Splash pad

221 White pine park and splash pad
222 Smoky mountain hiking
223 Waterville pavilion
224 Hiking
225 Splash pad in white pine tn
226 Swimming
227 Skating (ice and roller)
228 Hiking
229 Hiking
230 Hiking
231 Hiking
232 splash pad- morristown
233 hiking- national park
234 swimming, bowling, library
235 hiking, max patch
236 Hiking, swimming
237 basketball
238 Fishing
239 Hiking
240 Swimming
241 Boating, swimming
242 Yoga
243 Camping
244 gatlinburg community center
245 Hiking
246 Camping
247 Hiking
248 Camping
249 Hiking
250 Kayaking
251 hike in cosby
252 ski
253 boating on creeks and rivers
254 Rubber rafting not rapids
255 Rafting

256 Cosby Campground picnic area
257 Fishing
258 Bike riding
259 Bike riding
260 Swimming
261 Cases Cove
262 Hiking
263 Large fenced in playground
264 Kayaking
265 Hiking
266 Boating
267 Hiking
268 Shooting
269 Walking
270 fishing
271 Fishing
272 Camping
273 Sevierville splash pad
274 Birthday Party Locations (would love to see better options in Cocke Co.)
275 Go to the mall
276 Walking trails
277 Boating
278 Swimming
279 camping
280 Basketball at the Gatlinburg Community Center
281 Pet friendly hiking and walking
282 Hiking
283 Bowling
284 Sevierville pool and splash pad
285 Skating
286 Rafting/tubing
287 Hiking
288 Basketball park
289 Camping
290 Splash pad (White Pine) grandkids

- 291 Dog walking
- 292 Hiking
- 293 hiking
- 294 Fishing
- 295 Biking
- 296 Hiking
- 297 river Paddle sports
- 298 Pleasant Grive church track
- 299 Ride bikes
- 300 Scenic drives up Rocky top
- 301 boating
- 302 MTN bike the creeper, VA
- 303 Occasional boating with family on Douglas lake using the put in at the Walters Bridge.
- 304 4wheeling
- 305 lake swimming
- 306 rafting/kayaking
- 307 Soccer
- 308 Golfing
- 309 Indoor playgrounds
- 310 Walking
- 311 Mountains
- 312 Hiking
- 313 the rest of the time we leave cocke county for family activities and go towards Gatlinburg and other areas of interest in TN
- 314 Hiking
- 315 Swimming
- 316 Bicycling
- 317 Fishing
- 318 Hunting
- 319 Fishing
- 320 Boating/kayaking
- 321 River Walk
- 322 Swimming in lake
- 323 Hiking
- 324 Walks

325 Camp
326 Camping
327 Fishing
328 Kayaking
329 swimming
330 Fishing
331 Volleyball tournament
332 Camping
333 Frisbee golf in morristown
334 Splash Pad
335 Splash pad
336 Hiking about monthly
337 biking
338 Playing in our own yard
339 Biking
340 Frisbee golf
341 Fishing
342 Boating
343 Camping
344 Hiking
345 Splash pad
346 Rafting
347 Boating
348 Swimming
349 Local splash pads
350 Boating
351 Hiking
352 Mountain climbing
353 Walking
354 Rafting
355 Sevier city park
356 Walking
357 walking at Dollywood
358 Hiking
359 Fishing

360 Camping
361 Beach area in Jefferson County
362 Greenbrier
363 Activities at Rocky Top
364 Competitive sports
365 Fishing
366 Hiking
367 Dog Park in Sevierville
368 Wears Valley Park- Football and Baseball
369 Camping
370 Fishing
371 Cosby Creek swimming
372 Hunting
373 Hiking
374 Fishing
375 Camping
376 Love to picnic and site see
377 Biking
378 Hiking
379 Basketball
380 Sightseeing-riding
381 hiking
382 Fishing in French Broad River and Douglas Lake
383 Driving across hills top
384 Running
385 Fishing
386 Baseball
387 Kayaking
388 Sevierville
389 Walking
390 Boating
391 Swimming
392 Smoky mountain picnic
393 Fishing
394 Mountain bike riding

395 Hiking
396 Bicycling
397 Splash pad
398 n/a
399 bike rides
400 Swimming
401 Biking riding greenways
402 Sevierair trampoline park
403 Picnic
404 Rafting
405 Rafting
406 Work out where childcare is an option
407 Swimming
408 Hiking
409 Hiking
410 boating
411 swimming in creeks
412 Fishing
413 Kayaking
414 Hiking
415 Hiking in mountains
416 Kayaking
417 Boating
418 Dog walking
419 Hiking
420 Walking
421 Swimming
422 Ride atvs
423 Splash pad
424 Hunting
425 paddle boats
426 Camping
427 Putt putt
428 Morristown splash pad
429 Walking Tracks

430 Facility like rocky top sports world
431 Photography
432 Fishing
433 Hiking
434 Running
435 Swimming
436 Running
437 Panther Creek State Park
438 Swim
439 Antique/resale shopping Morristown
440 fishing
441 Rv camping
442 Wading, hiking at Wolf Creek, walking the trail around that pond at Weavers Bend.
443 Hiking
444 fishing
445 foriging
446 Soccer
447 Water parks
448 Camping
449 Creek Swimming
450 Jogging
451 Walking dogs
452 Fishing
453 Hiking
454 Everything is mostly done in sevier county
455 Looking at decorations for holidays
456 Fish
457 walking tracks
458 Camping
459 Basketball tournament
460 Various playgrounds in white pine,morristown,and sevierville
461 Swimming Area at River
462 basketball
463 Spelunking
464 Swimming

465 Trail running
466 Fishing
467 Putt putt
468 Tubing
469 Camping
470 Walking
471 Caving
472 Paint creek campground
473 ATV use
474 craft events
475 Dirt bikes
476 Shooting
477 Picnic
478 Nature Trail in Cosby
479 Boating & fishing at Douglas lake
480 Frank Lorino park in Morristown
481 GSMNP- Hiking
482 Boating
483 Biking
484 Pleasant Grove walking track
485 Other parks
486 Boating
487 Splash pads
488 Camping
489 Baseball
490 rafting
491 Deer Hunting on my farm
492 Fishing Cosby creek and pigeon river
493 Working
494 hiking
495 Smoky mtn trails
496 Camping
497 n/a
498 Picnic
499 Walking trails

500 Dog parks
501 Festivals
502 Camping
503 Fishing
504 seviercounty community center- better pool, excersize callss and much less expensive
505 Boating
506 Disc golf
507 Fishing
508 Bird/insect observation
509 Hunting
510 Creek/lake
511 fishing
512 Swimming
513 Play basketball
514 Swimming/wading at Paint Creek
515 Camping
516 running
517 caveing
518 Soccer
519 Fishing
520 Geo Caching
521 Splash pad
522 splash pads forkids
523 Biking
524 Boating
525 Workout facilities/ walking tracks morristown
526 Splash pad
527 Camping
528 Swimming at the lake
529 music festivals
530 Backpacking
531 Fishing
532 Disc golf
533 Fishing Pigeon River/Cosby Creek
534 Fishing

- 535 Boating
- 536 bicycle
- 537 Boxing
- 538 photography
- 539 Boating

Are there any additional activities that members of your household would like to see provided by the cities and schools in Cocke County?

- 1 Bowling
- 2 Splash pad
- 3 medium/moderate exercise group via big screen tv for over 18
- 4 bicycle trails
- 5 longer walking trails (nit just circles)
- 6 Self defense courses for women and children
- 7 n/a
- 8 place to ride our bicycles
- 9 High school recreation sports school teams pick favorites a lot of children have no options
- 10 Biking trails
- 11 Nature trails
- 12 Fishing areas
- 13 Water park
- 14 Annual fishing tournament
- 15 Something for the young teens to do on weekends besides just sports for the ones who can't play.

- 16 JOBS
- 17 More music
- 18 community center used for other types of meetings
- 19 bowling
- 20 adult sports leagues even if regional coordination was necessary for adequate facilities and participation
- 21 Trampoline park
- 22 Yes you can cut historical hiking trails such as the cave route
- 23 Splash pad
- 24 Splash pad
- 25 Splash Pad
- 26 Adult government classes

- 27 Tagt
- 28 Splash Pad
- 29 Disc golf
- 30 Dog park
- 31 FREE Splash Pad
- 32 Fishing
- 33 Nature observation programs for children and adults
- 34 Dog park
- 35 Dog Park
- 36 Bike trails
- 37 Putt putt
- 38 Atv/utv trails
- 39 Skating
- 40 Water Park
- 41 Splash pad
- 42 Splash Pad!
- 43 Splash Pad
- 44 Splash pad
- 45 Splash pad
- 46 Free Splash pad at the Newport city park
- 47 splash pad
- 48 Better managed adult rec league basketball
- 49 Bluegrass traditional music festival
- 50 Hiking trails
- 51 Splash pad
- 52 An actual community center where communal projects and programs are made available.
Community gardens, physical health programs such as yoga classes or small business informational programs and the like are made available.
- 53 Outside events like Music on the river
- 54 Splash pads
- 55 Splash pad
- 56 Splash pad
- 57 Splash pad in Newport
- 58 Dog park
- 59 Summer activities

- 60 Pet walk
- 61 hiking trails
- 62 River access
- 63 Cosby facility
- 64 Anything low budget that won't cause tax increase
- 65 floating pull offs along river
- 66 Four wheeling and off road
- 67 The kids need indoor activities during the cold months.
- 68 Unsure of anything specific
- 69 Splash pad
- 70 bicycle lanes would be great especially down river road
- 71 Soccer
- 72 Splash pad for kids.
- 73 More free kid events
- 74 Dog parks
- 75 Interactive public art
- 76 4wheeling places
- 77 water park/splash pad
- 78 Splash pad
- 79 Splash pad
- 80 A dog park or dog friendly walking/hiking trails
- 81 Splash pad
- 82 Rockytop/English Mountain Iron-man/all classes competition runs.
- 83 A recreational center in Cosby area
- 84 Splash pad
- 85 Splash pad
- 86 Splash pads
- 87 Flag football
- 88 Splash pad
- 89 Zumba/other workout classes
- 90 Splash Pad
- 91 Splash pad
- 92 Walking club
- 93 Nature trails
- 94 an indoor basketball court for the kids

- 95 Swimming pool in Cosby
- 96 Disc golf
- 97 Trails to ride on
- 98 Dog park
- 99 Splashpad
- 100 Canoeing
- 101 Splashpad
- 102 Water parks
- 103 A teen hangout
- 104 Anything for teens
- 105 Volleyball (I drive out of town to play)
- 106 Splash pad
- 107 Hiking
- 108 Would love a splash pad
- 109 Dog Park
- 110 More organized sports
- 111 Dog park
- 112 Softball fields
- 113 Greenways
- 114 CCHS Football Stadium/ Buildings/Field needs updated majorly!!
- 115 Ymca
- 116 Indoor activities
- 117 ATV riding, campgrounds, & recreation
- 118 More picnic spots
- 119 Splash pads
- 120 Dog park with walking trail
- 121 Bicycle pump track
- 122 Senior Center
- 123 Roads fixed and Taxes Lowered.
- 124 Outdoor movies
- 125 Small play area for smaller kids
- 126 Adult baseball
- 127 Dog Park
- 128 Softball teams in the city not just county
- 129 Live music in the park

- 130 Splash pad
- 131 Karate
- 132 Splash pad with pavilions and playground
- 133 Things for teenagers and young adults to do. Thats why so many stay in trouble
- 134 Bike trail
- 135 Splash pad
- 136 chair exercises for senior via big screen (DVD)
- 137 a splash pad park for children
- 138 n/a
- 139 splash pads more then one
- 140 Something for teens to keep them involved
- 141 Pump tracks
- 142 Water park
- 143 Hiking trails
- 144 Walk/Run events
- 145 More family style events like the outdoor movies. Love those
- 146 Arts
- 147 art programs
- 148 Skating rink
- 149 Can' create river access in more areas
- 150 More Basketball Courts
- 151 Nature trails
- 152 Gardens and garden programs
- 153 walking trails (sidewalks in Newport)
- 154 Splash pad
- 155 Skating rink
- 156 Game rooms
- 157 Walking Trails
- 158 Walking Trails
- 159 More restaurants
- 160 Walking trails
- 161 open space for soccer/kickball, etc
- 162 Yoga classes
- 163 Fishing ponds
- 164 Playground for toddlers

- 165 Promote the new canoe launch in Eastport
- 166 Play ground in bybee
- 167 Sports facility
- 168 Day camps for children
- 169 Winter activities
- 170 Splash pad
- 171 boat ramps
- 172 Bike paths
- 173 more sidewalk and trails by river
- 174 Safe places to walk.
- 175 Indoor jump jam would be great for the kids.
- 176 Park in Del Rio
- 177 communitie days that is free to the public maybe everyone bring a dish not vendor selling days that our festivals have become
- 178 More places to ride bikes, etc.
- 179 Family friendly parties
- 180 Historical education
- 181 more walking trails
- 182 More free active for family's to injoy
- 183 Dog park
- 184 Open Rockytop/English Mountain/Martha Sundquist/Halls Top to four wheeler use!
- 185 Rolling skating
- 186 Archy
- 187 Family bike trails
- 188 Later pool hours
- 189 Hiking Trail
- 190 Tai Chi
- 191 Informative Cultural or historical sites
- 192 Walking places
- 193 Dog park
- 194 Biking trails
- 195 Arcade
- 196 Cosby play ground +water park
- 197 Public football field u
- 198 Camping places like cosby campground

- 199 Dog park
- 200 Shooting range
- 201 Splash Pad
- 202 More ball fields
- 203 Baseball fields
- 204 Hiking
- 205 Workout facilities
- 206 Fishing spots
- 207 Greenway county wide
- 208 Roller skating
- 209 Adult softball
- 210 More swings for smaller children
- 211 n/a
- 212 season passes to things
- 213 More variety of sports even indoor things
- 214 Hiking / walking trails
- 215 On hands equipment
- 216 Play areas for older kids 9-12
- 217 The water pads for the babies and little ones.
- 218 Historical and or nature educational zones for school field trips
- 219 Adult Workout Activities
- 220 Bike trails next to rail roads.
- 221 Art programs
- 222 Anti bullying programs and enforcement
- 223 Better playground/more equipment
- 224 Playground for smaller children
- 225 Promote fishing on the Pigeon
- 226 Biking trails
- 227 picnic areas
- 228 Dog park
- 229 more bike riding paths
- 230 Movie nights
- 231 splash pads for all to use free
- 232 Sidewalks around the city park.
- 233 Arts opportunities for kids

- 234 Awareness of existing services
- 235 biking trails
- 236 Open Carson Springs Road up to top of mountain for tourism and taxpayers use!
- 237 Trampoline park
- 238 Nice attractions so we are not driving 45 minutes to sevier county
- 239 Splash pad area
- 240 Dog park
- 241 Walking trail
- 242 Easy access to creek waters for wading and picnicking
- 243 Camping
- 244 Dog Park!!!
- 245 Bike riding
- 246 Serious mountain bike trail system

Which of the following activities and services do you think are important for public parks and recreation agencies to provide? (check all that apply)

- 1 Other (please specify)
- 2 improve sense and community
- 3 family activity
- 4 Art and education.
- 5 Medical help services for adults who have debilitating conditions and can't afford health insurance and don't qualify for help due to lack of current medical care. The only help here now is if you decide to have kids.
- 6 The town looks so bad, no pride at all VS the counties around us, its really a shame.
- 7 Access to public art in a way that reinforces all of the above
- 8 Disc golf
- 9 Sports for adult teams
- 10 Need wildlife park to set and take pictures.
- 11 Pet Friendly spaces!!!
- 12 Modern equipment for children to enjoy
- 13 Creating a destination for new families to live
- 14 Better Roads for the County

How should the cities of Newport and Cocke County finance new recreation facilities? (Check all lines you feel appropriate to use)

- 1 Not really sure.
- 2 NO increased taxes

- 3 NO increased property taxes. Enough already
- 4 fundraisers
- 5 Donations fund raiser anything just try
- 6 Asking for grants to make our town focus on the future of the children be productive instead of being lazy to become drug users
- 7 Other tax revenue streams
- 8 Build a plan before you waste any taxpayer money
- 9 Wheel tax
- 10 Stop allocating so much money to nonsense like making sure the Sheriff's Dept. has brand new
- 11 Any method that's affordable to the citizens
- 12 Wiser use of existing tax revenue.
- 13 Not sure
- 14 Fundraising
- 15 Private / corporate donation drives
- 16 It really feels like the money is not used correctly to begin with. What about collecting all the taxes that are due and stop letting the people get away without paying.
- 17 I have conflict with raising taxes since it's already so high and user fees can discourage participation from the families that really need these kinds of after school entertainment.

- 18 Fundraser
- 19 Avoiding user fees as much as possible is paramount
- 20 Bring businesses into our area which will bring money ,, why would we need 7 motel's right off the interstate, or a 4 lane between Newport & Cosby when there is absolutely nothing here in our community to enjoy time with family
- 21 Do not over spend what your budgeted.
- 22 Federal grants, hotel taxes, leasing the facilities to the YMCA, corporate sponsorship
- 23 Bring in new businesses and fund off revenue and tourism.
- 24 Fit in the budget, use the money wisely.
- 25 Better budgeting of taxes
- 26 Open your coffers
- 27 Budget wisely
- 28 Fundraising
- 29 Develop a responsible budget and cut out the majority of the unnecessary pork that is included. Then you would have plenty of money for a lot of projects. This year you guys couldn't even agree to cut each departments budget by 1 or 2% then tax the rest. It was just a total tax increase.

- 30 Fund raisers
- 31 Cut police expenditures
- 32 fire the clb fire fire armando reduce salary levels for county employees
- 33 City/community fundraisers
- 34 Volunteer workers and business donations could help
- 35 Tournaments for differnet sports

Please provide any other comments and suggestions relative to Parks and Recreation you would offer to the City of Newport and Cocke County for our consideration.

- 1 CCRD need more nice people like they have
- 2 Apply for silver sneakers for seniors
- 3 Love coming to your rec. center. everyone is so friendly and the cost of \$2 to swim is amazing and allows many seniors to participate. thank you!
- 4 Many users are retired- taxes hurt them
- 5 The staff at the pool do an excellent job. Don't forget them in plans for improvement.
- 6 A winding bike trail could easily be built at the city's property located at the intersection of cosby highway and broadway. This site is also ideal for an outdoor ampitheatre for concerts, lectures, moviez, etc. with the level area used for parking.
- 7 We have lived in Tennessee for 6 months, our "never" answers are because we haven't lived here long enough.
- 8 More basketball courts. So younger kids could play and practice. A few splash pad would be great. A place to ride bicycles for families. A lot of families are on a budget and don't have a lot of money. Maybe sell yearly passes for the pools. And upgrade the community center game room and the Sauna in the women's bathroom. There's not much to do here in Newport. Maybe an arcade
- 9 My passion is biking, If and when I want to ride good trails, I have to travel outside our county. Also I have been stopped when I'm out rode biking by people in our county that ask me where do you ride bike at and I hate to say but I ride the rodes here or travel some where else.
- 10 Please help the community of Carson Springs be more productive with there children give them a safe place to play learn and explore it's a beautiful place of nature if given a chance,nature trail ,play ground ,picnic area .Have police to patrol the area assign the community to help keep it safe and clean thank you for the opportunity to suggestions Edgemont a wonderful school let's give the children an afternoon or weekend of a place to go explore and learn not everyone has transportation to go across town
- 11 Open the museum on Saturdays
- 12 Start a Dogwood trail in Newport. It may take a few years to mature but the end result will bring visitors into our county and show that we are a beautiful community.
- 13 Keep up the good work on improving things! Baby steps end up getting you there too.

- 14 Parks and Recreation is doing great for city limits.
- 15 very important for my family and for our community
- 16 More green space. More open recreational field space. More greenways and walking / biking paths.
- 17 This community is liking on everything. Most of these facilities are within city limits I will suggest expanding outside to the Royal areas!!!!!!!!!! But strongly suggest all Financial responsibilities be looked into first and foremost!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- 18 We need a splash pad! Our kids deserve to have a fun place to cool off during the summer. The pool is WAY to crowded!
- 19 Light up walking track for night time use..
- 20 I appreciate the great maintenance and upkeep at the City Park
- 21 Again, dog park similar to Sevierville
- 22 We need a dog park.
- 23 Parks and Rec. Is an important part of Cocke County. Removing it would further put our county in jeopardy.
- 24 As a relative newcomer to the area, I have had a hard time finding a recreational space that fits our needs. Newport City Park comes the closest, but I would like other options.
- 25 Keep up the good work
- 26 Fundraising
- 27 All it takes is to travel in any direction out of Cocke County and observe how nearly all other communities around us have realized that we, as a community, are extremely lucky to live in such a bountiful and rich environment and and they have learned to capitalize on these assets. Many of the neighboring communities have taken it upon themselves to sculpt a community and region that both keeps in mind that preservation is important as well as developing access to the bountiful nature of our area and this development leads to greater outside visitation, revenue growth, job opportunities, and overall community happiness. Unfortunately, our community gave up that idea many decades ago in favor of and due to the powerful few at the top only allowing development that benefits the same few at the top financially. This short-sighted and greedy outlook has led to the slow withering of our community into little more than a strip mall on the side of I-40. Until the few at the top are educated enough to understand that growing and enriching the entire community benefits all that live and visit here, nothing will change.
- 28 The city and county do little or nothing to facilitate use of national and state forest and parks or river and lake activities.
- 29 I have lived here 4 years and I did not know what was available until I read this survey. More communication is needed ...better web site if you have one cause this stuff never came up in my searches...
- 30 Cosby needs some type of facility to support it's citizens. There is nothing here that families can do together. A park, a community center, anything would be greatly appreciated.

- 31 Communicate to residents . Cocke county has no website,just an expired domain (lol). Newport website is kind of lame and is 10 years behind in utilizing the web.
- 32 We have been to several counties and cities across the US and saw how places such as pull offs, walking paths, bike riding paths, playgrounds, benches etc. along the rivers and lakes brought people there. I would love to see this here! It is not only great for the locals but tourism as well.
- 33 I beleive some of the troible with the kids, no activites. Too many not paying thier taxes call them in and collect.
- 34 Thank you for reaching out to determine the needs of this community.
- 35 I feel that the grants could branch out into individual cites in the counties that also have parks or are in the process of building parks in new areas. Such as Del Rio that is 30 minutes from anything to do. It would help a lot of families have something free to do. Encourage physical activity to help decrease obesity, high blood pressure,diabetes, high cholesterol, and anxiety. This opportunity would also cut down on the drug and alcohol consumption. So please consider giving any monies collected to cites in Coxke County that are rural as well.
- 36 we have some of the most beautiful land layouts but some of the worst parks around. Why not do fundraisers, or donation boxes to help bring more activities in for locals. Please stop setting our county up for tourist, most folks around do not want this.
- 37 Na
- 38 I would recommend side walks around the Newport City Park area, and a splash pad at the Newport City park, if it was in the budget.
- 39 Very glad to see the free events for kids in summer. We didn't have that growing up, I'm thankful my kids do. Want to see more of that all year around.
- 40 I appreciate the work that you do and the value it adds to the community. The spaces you maintain and the programs you administer are central to rebuilding a damaged cultural identity. To me, this is the starting place for all development. In a place where a whole lot is wrong, ya'll have got it right.
- 41 More economy through sports coming in through ball games
- 42 Put more free info on national media off all the event in our area so family's can enjoy
- 43 Fix the big baseball field at park and bathrooms. Market to host more tournaments and bring in some easy income.
- 44 Put a top on existing sewer plant, its located just across Pigeon River from City Park. Doing so would also increase new business possibilities and make living in area more tolerable!
- 45 Something in the Cosby area
- 46 There needs to be more uniformity between the two departments. Instead of two different departments combine and have one that over sees the whole county. I mean we have two different spots to sign kids up for sports, shouldn't be like that.

- 47 There needs to be some kind of after school pprograms , activity's that kids could ride a bus to or some schools could be in safe walking distance, take a look at the sevier county library kids are able to go there and stay until parent's can pick them up & the kids are greated with a snack & drink as they enter alone with activities (Cosby library if it's still there)
- 48 Splash pad. I take grandkids to white pine. We eat at Sonics. You lose my tax money. We visit book store also.
- 49 My daughters play sports and attend many softball and volleyball tournaments. These both draw large crowds with paying parents for everything-parking admission concessions entry fees for tournaments. Seems like a great idea to have a large facility to accommodate these types of activities. Similar to Rocky Top in Gatlinburg.
- 50 Seems to me that Newport and Cocke County already have a money problem and unless there is grant money or volunteers to do additional programs or make big changes to parks it should be put on hold. We are taxed too much now.
- 51 The way this world is going we have to provide these kids with more activities.
- 52 Don't let them have dogs on the walking paths at the park!! The seniors use that track every morning to walk, a lot of them have fear of dogs. They enjoy nature and if you have dogs chasing the squirrel off they won't get to enjoy it. Not to mention the feces, you know they aren't responsible enough to pick it up!
- 53 As small as our county is, combine City and County parks departments. Set up citizen advisory recreation boards for special populations or specific activities like greenways, hiking, etc. Start a running club! Help our citizens get healthy.
- 54 Disc golf
- 55 Splash pad
- 56 I think the City Park is nice, but it needs a Disc Golf space and a Spray Play Water area that's not a pool. I haven't been to the City Park since last year but prior visits I noticed the pavilions were dirty, flies were everywhere, there is a lack of grills for cookouts, and inadequate seating available. The Picnic tables were in poor condition. Those things may have changed, I'll go check. Also the Children's parks really lack shade and landscaping.
- 57 I couldn't answer number 26 appropriately because it wouldn't let you select the same number twice.
- 58 Hate going to white pine or Morristown to enjoy a water park .Ehen there should be something on cosby..
- 59 Flag football games open to the public
- 60 I have never heard of most of the places on the survey.
- 61 Since the removal of the Cosby visitors center the property just sits there and no events to meet our local artists.
- 62 A splash pad and dog park would be amazing!

- 63 Would love to see a park in Del Rio. These kids have absolutely nothing to do. Would also like to see a couple of splash pads so we don't have to drive to white pine. Thank you.
- 64 More information about the current parks and where they are located. I think we have a nice variety of spaces and based on our population I don't know that we need to expand much more. Maybe a small dog park and a splash pad for the kids. Also, I think you all do a fine job with keeping the spaces clean and maintained.
- 65 As someone who has played sports and been to park facilities all across East Tennessee, Newport's park system is of the highest quality in the region. I have spent hundreds of hours (literally) at the Community Center often alone or with few other people. I believe better marketing as well as more flexible hours and scheduling would increase traffic. While I wish there was a little more of a unified sports complex better for hosting tournaments and events, the quality, maintenance and services provided at existing facilities are phenomenal and better than most places in the region. It really is a bright spot for our community. With that said, expanding the park system and providing more funding to parks and rec should not be the City's (or County) first priority. Parks and rec are in good shape and there much more serious and pressing issues here that need to be addressed first.
- 66 Need to build a sports complex for baseball and softball. Just like all the surrounding county have .
- 67 Create a dog park, people need a way to socialize and exercise their dogs!!! They have become very popular lately!!!
- 68 Our parks need a lot of work. I realize that this project will cost money and may not be at the top of the priority list. I have traveled to other communities for youth baseball and football. The parks and football stadiums are amazing compared to our parks and stadiums. I think that updating our parks would help our community. Maybe, you could possibly look into sponsorships from businesses to help with the upgrades. I do believe that businesses sponsor the parks in Sevier County and Pigeon Forge. This is a project that I can get behind and support 100%. Also, please look into updating the stadium and buildings at CCHS. Thanks!
- 69 I love my home town but we need more to offer,we need a slash pad and newer more playground equipment, place with exercise facilities and rooms for rentals.Community center and library both small and outdated.
- 70 Put more information out about all parks offer maybe mail information to people in cocke county
- 71 Personally, I have no kids at this point and had a dog which at one point I was not allowed to walk on the walking trail at city park as dogs are not allowed. I found this unfavorable and unenjoyable as kids would jolt toward my dog I was not only attempting to train and socialize but trying to enjoy relaxing time with. This can't be done when bicycles and skateboards are zooming by and it is dangerous for kids to approach animals unexpectedly. There needs to be an area to take dogs to let them run but also to allow a walking area for training or observed time with your pet. I was no longer able to bring my dog to the park or take him for walks there as the dog walking space was unfavorable.

72 I can help 423 748 4464 chad

73 I think it's critical that some sort of land use policies be put in place to protect the natural beauty and opportunities.

74 I think a dog park would be a great addition to our community. It would be nice to have a safe place where animals can be taken of leash to play.

75 I think all Parks need some form of a open bathroom at all times ...

76 Something in Cosby for children.

77 I think the more attractive the area becomes, the better chances of brining in good businesses

78 With more organized programs there will be an attraction to the county. This could open the possibility of the county being able to host tournaments which in turn brings revenue.

Appendix C: Notifications and Sign-in Sheets

MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

County: Newport/Cocke County

Meeting Date: 11/30/2017

Project: Parks and Recreation Master Plan

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MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

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Meeting Date: 12/6/2017

Project: Parks and Recreation Master Plan

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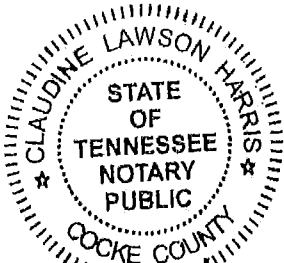
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NOTARY PUBLIC

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES October 20, 2021

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To Place An Ad Call: (423) 623-6171 or email: classifiedads@newportplaintalk.com

Public Notices

LAWN MOWING SERVICES NEEDED
If you are interested in providing lawn care services to the Newport Housing Authority please contact us in person at our location 440 Lennon Circle, Newport, TN 37821, Monday – Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. You will be given a list of requirements in order for you to provide a bid to us. You must submit a sealed bid by mail or in person to our address listed above by Friday, February 16, 2018.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Give-A-Ways

WARNING! ADS FOR GIVE-AWAY PETS
Your beloved pets deserve a loving, caring home. The ad for your free pet may draw response from individuals who will sell your animal for research or breeding purposes. Please screen respondents carefully when giving any animal away. Your pets will thank you.

Of Interest

CLASSIFIED LINE AD POLICY
All ad copy is subject to approval prior to publication. The Newport Plain Talk reserves the right to edit, refuse, or reject any ad at any time. The Newport Plain Talk reserves the right to classify, index, and position ads according to the policies governing the classified pages.
Classified Advertising Department

Of Interest

UNAUTHORIZED USE OF THE NEWPORT PLAIN TALK PAPER TUBES

For flyers, any other advertisements or for any purpose will result in a minimum \$250 charge for which the advertiser or user may be billed.

THE NEWPORT PLAIN TALK

Garage / Yard Sales

HAVING A YARD SALE?



LET EVERYONE KNOW WHERE YOU ARE!! ADVERTISE YOUR SALE!!

Run a 3-line ad for 2-Week Days, plus get a Yard Sale Kit for only **\$14.00**

YARD SALE DEADLINES:
AD MUST BE IN BY:
10 a.m. Monday for Tuesday
10 a.m. Wednesday for Thursday
3 p.m. Thursday for Sunday

Or Just Call Classifieds 623-6171 and place your ad and we can put the charge on your credit or debit card.

YARD SALE ADS ARE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE!
We Accept All Major Credit Cards

The Newport Plain Talk
145 East Broadway, Newport, TN
Phone 423-623-6171

6 EMPLOYMENT

Driver OTR / Delivery

Oak Valley Hardwoods
185 Shelton Chapel Rd.
Parrottsville, TN.

Hiring immediately for **Class A CDL Truck Drivers**. Offering competitive pay and benefits. Apply in person. Call Josh Baker @ 423-625-6970.

Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING DRAFT PLAN PRESENTATION AND INPUT SESSION

The City of Newport and Cocke County will host a public meeting where the public is invited to attend and provide input on a Draft 10-year parks and recreation master plan. The meeting will provide an opportunity to present the Draft plan and gather input regarding elements of the plan.

Draft plan presentation and input session: Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Newport City Hall.

Newport City Hall is located at 300 E. Main St. Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should contact City Hall at (423) 623-1063. The City of Newport does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability.

Connie Ball
City Mayor

General Help Wanted

NEWPORT CITY POLICE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

WILL BE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE POSITIONS OF POLICE OFFICER BEGINNING Monday, February 5, 2018

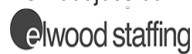
Applicants must be: 21 years of age, provide copies of high school diploma or equivalent, a valid TN Drivers License, a copy of discharge if military veteran. If P.O.S.T. Certified provide copy of certification, and provide a copy of birth certificate. Incomplete application packets will be disqualified from consideration. POST certification is a plus.

Application packets must be picked up in person at Newport Police Department at 330 E. Main Street or online at the City of Newport's website. Completed packets must be turned in at the Newport Police Department at 330 E. Main Street no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, February 23, 2018.

Eric Gregg, Chairman
Dean Ball
David Proffitt

General Help Wanted

Elwood Staffing currently has 2nd and 3rd Assembly openings at a local lawn mower manufacturer in the Greeneville Area.
Pay rates: \$11.30
After 30 days increase to \$11.45
Weekly Bonuses average pay rate to \$13-\$14 per hour
CALL TODAY 423-639-0900 or apply online: elwoodjobs.com



EOE

STYLISTS / BARBER NEEDED FOR BUSY SHOP
No clientele needed. Guaranteed pay plus benefits. To schedule interview text 'stylist' to 865-816-4452 or call Jessica at 865-816-4452.

7 REAL ESTATE RENTALS

Apartment / Duplexes

PUBLISHER'S NOTE

We are pledged to the letter and spirit of U.S. Policy for the achievement of equal housing opportunity throughout the Nation.

We encourage and support an affirmative advertising and marketing program in which no barriers to obtaining housing because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin.



Houses For Rent

1 & 2BR CABINS & RV's. Lake and Pool access. \$150 week. Includes utilities. No Deposit. Call 865-397-4080.

2BR BRICK Restricted, partially furnished, \$900, others \$500-\$600. Call 865-322-2600.

Public Notices

Houses For Sale

ESTATE AUCTION

February 17, 2018 10 A.M.

KEL TEC 32 auto, pistol, Stevens Model 65-B 22/short/long/long rifle, Weatherby Mark V 257 Magnum Leupold Scope 3x9 variable: 49 rounds ammunition & reloading dies, Weatherby Mark V 7MM Magnum Bushnell Scope: 77 rounds ammunition & reloading dies, Lorcin Model L 22: 22 cal. auto. pistol, 760 Pump Master BB gun, Daisy Powerline CO2 BB pistol, handmade leather holsters, synthetic shoulder holster, heavy-duty Jackson wheelbarrow, backyard lined beverage/ice cooler, high wheel Toro 6.5 HP push mower, Ridgid Shop Vac 3.25 HP, GE Profile down draft ceramic stove top, Monte Carlo ceiling fan, 2 kids' helmets, 1 adult X-small helmet (new in box), leather HD riding jackets, computer desk, 4 swivel countertop bar stools, celestial/spotting scope with case, 11 Wheaton glass collector bottles, motorcycle/riding lawn mower jack, Australian saddle, Big Horn numbered Western saddle, 22' hay elevator with new 1/2 HP motor, 18' all steel trailer with HD ramps, HD 6' box scraper, 5' Kodiak bush hog, extra HD Woods 6' scraper blades, 350 Yamaha Bear 4x4, outdoor fire pit, home gym equipment, Craftsman PGT 9000 28 HP garden tractor with 54" mowing deck, box leveler, DE thatcher & compact roller, 2001 F-150 Crew Cab 218,000 miles - daily driver, 2000 Dakota 3' lift kit - 1500 miles on new tires - 208,000 miles - daily driver, large stop light - rewired for 110, garden hoses, extension cords, lighting, door handles & hinges, shop and garden tools, glassware, kitchen items, Anderson AR 15, Colt AR 15, 8' disk, orchard plow, pond scoop, 12' livestock trailer, Ford 2-bottom plow, subsoiler/tater plow, wrenches, ratchets, sockets, and electrical supplies.

Beautiful Home Sites in English Springs - Great views, underground power, utility power, mountain lake. **\$25,000 and up**

Owner Financing

#571431 - Del Rio, Punkton Rd. 10.45 acres, private, wooded **\$19,900**
Owner Financing WAC

MLS# 571041 - Fairfax Rd. 8.33 acres, restricted against mobile homes, wooded. **\$39,900**

18 Acres off Maple Lane - Owner will subdivide and Owner Finance. **NO RESTRICTION**

978 Cory Way. 5.47 Acres - Del Rio - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Basement, Fireplace, Wooded **\$199,000**

O'neil Rd - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Great Starter Home. **\$69,900**

Liberty Rd. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, - On The Creek. **NEEDS A WELL \$59,900**

Acreage On Dry Fork - In Del Rio Up To 27 Acres, Paved Road. 3500/ acre **CALL LUKE**

MLS# 568258 Very private 89 acres, Del Rio. Septic, electric, home site and driveway. Unrestricted. **\$199,000**

MLS# 555052 - Hot Deal, Super Value, Easy Access, Great Pasture 7.4 acres off Catherine Dr. Level to rolling just off TN 440 Exit Call for info.

Reduced Make Offer \$79,000

Reduced Doublewide 1860 sq. ft. Champion sunroom. Spring fed pond. Lots of storage buildings. Bybee off Joe Reed Rd. **\$109,900**



Luke Goddard
Broker and Auctioneer
423-721-4205
Firm #4589

Melissa Goddard
Broker **423-721-4209**
423-623-5055 Office
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WHEREAS, ROY WILLIS and wife, SYLVIA WILLIS, of Cocke County, Tennessee, executed, acknowledged and delivered to Kenneth Clark Hood, Trustee, a certain Deed of Trust dated the 16th day of February, 2005, and of record in Deed Book 1186, Pages 548-558 and modified in Deed Book 1423, Pages 646-649 in the Register's Office for Cocke County, Tennessee, to secure a certain indebtedness owing to Washington County Bank, f/k/a Capital Bank Corporation, now known as First Tennessee Bank National Association, and more fully described therein; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of said indebtedness and the same has become due and payable after proper notice of default was given and the owner and holder of said indebtedness has declared the entire balance owing thereon due and payable, has given notice of acceleration, and has instructed the said Trustee to foreclose said Trust Deed and to advertise and sell the property therein and herein described, upon the terms and conditions set forth in said Trust Deed;

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that I will on the 2nd day of March, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. prevailing standard time in Cocke County, Tennessee, at the front entrance of the Cocke County Courthouse in Newport, Tennessee, sell the following described real estate at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, and in bar of the equity of redemption, the statutory right of redemption, dower and homestead, but subject to all liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, set-back lines, restrictions, covenants, current and delinquent property taxes (ad valorem taxes), environmental claims, and the rights of any purchaser at a property tax sale or rights of redemption arising from a tax sale, affecting the subject property which are not extinguished by the foreclosure of the subject deed of trust. The property to be sold is described as follows:

Situate, lying and being in the 4th Civil District of Cocke County, Tennessee, being Tract No. One (1) and Tract No. Four (4) of Lagretta Van Stratum property as shown by plat of Wilde Surveying Company, dated October 14, 1982, and of record in the Registrar's Office of Cocke County, Tennessee in Plat Book Six (6), on Page Five (5) and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Tract No. One (1):
Beginning at an iron pin in the margin of a public road; thence crossing said road, north 72 deg. 24 min east 135.4 feet to an iron pin; thence north 61 deg. 12 min. east 234.0 feet to an iron pin; thence north 71 deg. 03 min. east 66.0 feet to an iron pin, corner to Tract No. 2; thence with the line of Tract No. 2, south 0 deg. 23 min. east 980.9 feet to an iron pin in the center of a fifty foot right-of-way, corner to Tracts Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5; thence leaving said right-of-way and with the line of Tract No. 4 north 62 deg. 22 min. west 353.9 feet to an iron pin; thence north 14 deg. 18 min. east 81.5 feet to an iron pin; thence north 57 deg. 35 min. east 100.8 feet to an iron pin; thence north 17 deg. 55 min. east 70.0 feet to an iron pin; thence north 6 deg. 46 min. west 230.1 feet to an iron pin in the margin of a public road; thence with the margin of said public road, north 39 deg. 16 min. west 284.3 feet to the beginning, containing 5.00 acres, more or less.

There is also conveyed to grantee, his heirs and assigns the right to use jointly with grantors, their heirs and assigns, the common fifty foot right-of-way crossing other tracts of said property as shown upon said plat.

This conveyance is made subject to the rights of others to use said fifty foot right-of-way and the public road crossing the above described premises.

Tract No. Four (4):
Beginning at an iron pin in the center of a 50 foot right-of-way, corner to Tracts Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 5; thence south 20 deg. 43 min, west 231.0 feet to an iron pin in the margin of said 50 foot right-of-way and corner to Tract No. 5; thence with the line of Tract No. 5, south 65 deg. 41 min. west 946.9 feet to a point in the center of a branch; thence with the center of said branch north 41 deg. 58 min. east 147.0 feet; thence north 49 deg. 57 min. east 61.5 feet; thence north 41 deg. 14 min. east 75.0 feet; thence north 36 deg. 44 min. east 105.6 feet; thence north 35 deg. 44 min. east 75.0 feet; thence north 63 deg. 19 min. east 100.0 feet; thence north 56 deg. 29 min. east 106.6 feet; thence north 39 deg. 34 min. 111.5 feet; thence north 9 deg. 59 min. east 172.5 feet; thence north 38 deg. 44 min. east 75.0 feet to a point, corner to Tract No. 1; thence leaving the center of said branch and with the line of Tract No. 1, south 62 deg. 22 min. east 353.9 feet to the beginning, containing 5.03 acres, more or less.

AND BEING the same property conveyed to Roy Willis and wife, Sylvia Willis by deed dated the 16th day of February, 2005, from C. W. McCreary, Jr., and John F. McCreary of record in Deed Book 1186, Page 545, in the Register's Office for Cocke County, Tennessee, to which reference is here made.

Located on the Subject Property is a 2005 Fleetwood Entertainer Doublewide Mobile Home VIN No. TNFL427AB61659-CY12. Whatever interest Roy Willis and wife, Sylvia Willis, acquired in said mobile home, if any, is being sold with the Subject Property. Said mobile home is being sold **AS IS, WHERE IS, WITHOUT WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND HABITABILITY ARE HEREBY DISCLAIMED. THERE IS NO WARRANTY RELATING TO TITLE, POSSESSION, QUIET ENJOYMENT, OWNERSHIP, OR THE LIKE IN THIS DISPOSITION.** The debtor is entitled to an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness upon request without additional charge. You may request such an accounting by writing to Kenneth Clark Hood, Laughlin, Nunnally, Hood, & Crum, PC, 100 South Main Street, Greeneville, Tennessee, 37743. Name of Debtor: Roy Willis and wife, Sylvia Willis. Name of Secured Party: Washington County Bank, f/k/a Capital Bank Corporation, now known as First Tennessee Bank National Association. It will be responsibility of the purchaser to obtain possession of the mobile home at purchasers expense.

The address of the Subject Property as shown on the tax records for Cocke County, Tennessee, is 1120 Beechwood Drive, Newport, Tennessee, 37821. (Control No. 054-141.01 and No. 054-14.06)

It will be the responsibility of the successful bidder to obtain possession of the property at his expense. The successful bidder shall be responsible for any damage, vandalism, theft, destruction, etc., to the property. This sale may be subject to valid filed or unfiled mechanic's and materialmen's liens. No representations are made as to the validity or enforceability of any memorandum of mechanic's liens or any suit to enforce the same.

Interests in the property other than the Deed of Trust being foreclosed or matters affecting title known to the undersigned include the following:

1. Judgment against Ray F. Willis and wife, Sylvia A. Willis, in the amount of \$13,261.73, plus interest and cost, dated March 13, 2007, of record in Deed Book 1258, Page 78 and extended by Order of record in Book 1461, Page 736, in the Registers Office for Cocke County, Tennessee.
2. Taxes for the year 2018 are not yet due and payable but constitute a lien on the premises. Property taxes have been paid through the year 2015. Property taxes are delinquent for the year 2016 and 2017 in the amount of \$1,739.57, but interest and penalties continue to accrue on this amount. The exact amount owing can be obtained from the local taxing authorities.
3. Matters shown by plat of same of record in Plat Book 6, Page 5.
4. This property may be subject to fees, dues and assessments of a Homeowners Association. The actual existence of an association and the imposition of fees, dues and assessments are not typically of record in the Register of Deeds Office and you should ascertain whether a Homeowners Association has actually been formed and whether there are any unpaid fees, dues or assessments.
5. There is an Affidavit of Affixation for a 2005 Fleetwood Mobile Home located on the property of record in Book 1326, Pages 712-714 in the Register's Office for Cocke County, Tennessee.
6. There is conveyed in current Deed the right to use jointly with Grantors, their heirs and assigns, the common fifty foot right-of-way crossing other tracts of said property as shown upon said plat.
7. Others have the right to use said fifty foot right-of-way and the public road crossing said property of record in Deed Book 1186, Page 545; re-recorded in Deed Book 1187, Page 703, in the Register's Office for Cocke County, Tennessee.
8. All property is subject to zoning ordinances which control the uses which may be made of the property. The undersigned makes no representation as to the uses which can be made of the premises in compliance with the applicable zoning ordinances.
9. Rights of parties in possession, if any.

The sale will be made as Trustee only, without covenants of seizen or warranties of title, and subject to all liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, set-back lines, restrictions, covenants, current and delinquent property taxes (ad valorem taxes), environmental claims, and the rights of any purchaser at a property tax sale and/or rights of redemption arising from a property tax sale affecting the subject property which are not extinguished by the foreclosure of the subject deed of trust.

The proceeds derived from the sale of said property will be applied to the payment first to the expenses of this sale, including attorney's fees, then to the payment in full of the indebtedness including interest secured by said Trust Deed, and the balance, if any, to be paid to the parties legally entitled thereto.

This sale may be postponed or adjourned from time to time without readvertising the sale, and the sale may be dismissed and not conducted. The acting Trustee or any Substitute Trustee is authorized to appoint an agent or an auctioneer to conduct the sale, and any sale so made shall have the same validity as if made by the original Trustee. The sale shall be for cash, to the highest bidder.

Dated this the 2nd day of February, 2018.

KENNETH CLARK HOOD
Trustee

Appendix D: White Paper

City of Newport and Cocke County Public Workshops White Paper

In October and November 2017, a public survey (attached) was posted online and in various public locations to collect public feedback for the City of Newport and Cocke County Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The survey asked participants about the existing parks and recreation facilities and activities. The survey also asked questions regarding preferences for future facilities and programs. Collectively, over 460 responses were received to the survey. On November 30th and December 6th of 2017, public workshops were held in City of Newport and Cocke County, at the Newport Community Center and Newport City Hall respectively. At the workshops, the planning team presented a Power Point presentation outlining the purpose of the project, the planning process, existing facilities that were evaluated, the status of programs and events in the community, and a summary of responses to the community wide survey. The presentation is attached. We also asked participants some key questions about existing and future facilities and programs in the county. At the end of the workshops, participants were given four (4) sticky dots, and asked to indicate which issues identified by the group were most important by placing dots next to the displayed responses. Answers to these questions are as follows (numbers in parentheses designate how many people thought that issue/item was most important):

What do you like or dislike about existing park and recreation facilities?

Like:

- Good car shows (4)
- Incredible Parks and Recreation department (2)

Dislike:

- Community Center hours are too short (1)
- Need more advertising/community information (8)
- Not enough facilities or activities for small children (3)

What new park and recreation facilities are needed?

- Splash pads (4)
 - City Park
 - Other parks
- Add sidewalks (6)
 - Focus around schools
- 15 acres at Old Mill site need to be developed (4)
- Central ball field complex for County (17)
- Public transportation for those who live further out
- Connectivity between residential and commercial properties (1)
- Park/float on new 321 connector (4)

- Mutiuse trails that accommodate ATV's, mountain bikers, and horseback riding (6)
- Pet Milk Park Improvements:
 - New fencing
 - Resurfacing basketball court
 - New pavilion
- Fifth and Filbert Park Improvements:
 - New fencing
 - Resurfacing basketball court
 - Playground
 - Pavillion
- County Sportsplex
- Greenway trail connection/boardwalk

What do you like or dislike about existing park and recreation programs?

Like

- Schools working with Parks and Recreation promotes community pride

Dislike

- Tough to coordinate between team sports in limited spaces (2)
- Not enough volunteers for organized sports

What new park and recreation programs are needed?

- Adult Recreation Leagues (5)
- User fees need to match current economic circumstances (4)
- Want to see more sports competitions/tournaments
 - Will require more space

General Feedback

- Plans exist to complete development near river
- Newport Grammar School Complex (NGS Sports Complex) includes:
 - Kiwanis Park
 - Ballfields
 - Skate Park
- Northwest Elementary School - Use fields, but not gym
- Bryant Town Park (currently under construction) contains:
 - Basketball
 - Restrooms
 - Pavillion
 - Playground
- Rec Basketball is shared between Newport and Cocke County
- Park & Rec events:
 - Easter Egg Hunt
 - Moonshine Rod Run

- Trick or Treat at the Track
- Kiwanis Fireflies Flicks
- August Car Show

This is an interim report on information presented and received during the community workshop phase of the planning process. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Newport and Cocke County

10-Year Parks & Recreation Master Plan *Community Workshop*



INTRODUCTIONS



Community Development Partners, LLC



Brown Pearman Russell, LLC



CRJA-IBI Group

THE VALUE OF PARKS

Tennessee ranks 44th among states in overall health, as reported by America's Health Rankings

Tennessee Department of Health

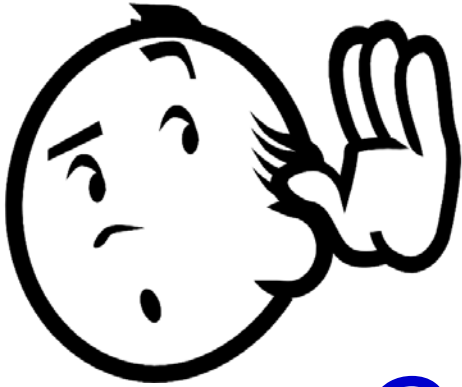
Cocke County ranks 89th among Tennessee's 95 Counties for Health Factors

Population Health Institute

WHY WE PLAN

- Identify Strengths and Weaknesses
 - Compare to Other Communities
 - Identify Needs
 - Set Objectives Over Time
 - Effectively and Efficiently Allocate Resources
 - Be Prepared for Opportunities
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WHY WE PLAN



Community Input!

PLANNING PROCESS

- Where are we now?
 - Existing conditions
 - Where are we headed?
 - Trends and projections
 - Where do we want to go?
 - Identify goals and objectives
 - How do we get there?
 - Implementation strategies
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WHAT HAVE WE ACCOMPLISHED?

- **Visited** each park and recreation facility and assessed strengths and weaknesses
 - **Discussed** programs and events with community leaders
 - **Conducted** a county-wide survey
 - **Compared** parks and recreation facilities and programs to the National Average
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WHAT WE NEED TO DO?

- **SHARE** what we have learned
 - **LISTEN** and record your comments, concerns, and wish list for new facilities and programs
 - **Organize** all of the above into a Draft Planning document
 - **LISTEN** to feedback during presentation of the Draft Plan
 - **DELIVER** and present the Final Plan
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TIMELINE

Draft Plan
Input Session

Newport City Hall
Feb. 15th, 6:00 p.m.

Final Plan

TBD

Additional Comments

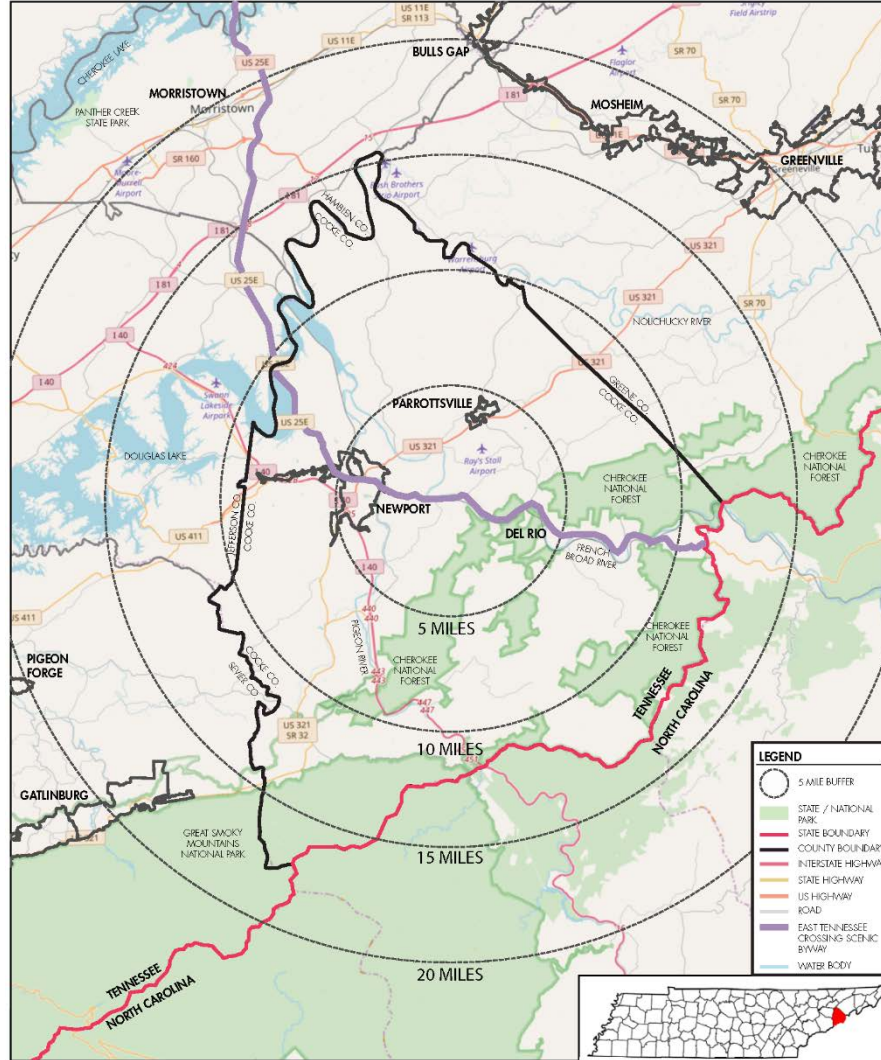
Contact Bryan Hill

Email: bhill@cdpllc.com

Mail: 125 W Jackson Ave, Knoxville, TN 37902

Where are we now?
- Existing Conditions

EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION



COCKE COUNTY REGIONAL CONTEXT
COCKE COUNTY, TN



EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION

Cherokee National Forest

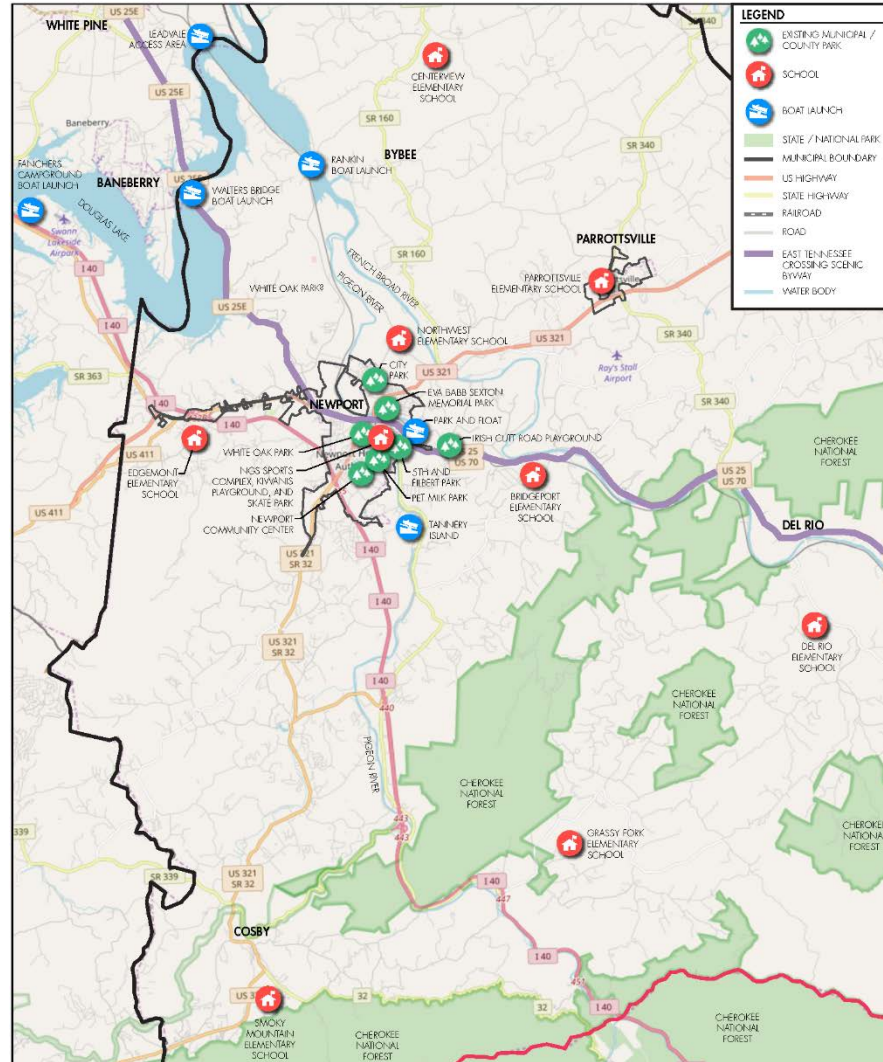


EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION

Smoky Mountain National Park



EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION



**COCKE COUNTY EXISTING PARK FACILITIES
COCKE COUNTY, TN**



NEWPORT

Kiwanis Park



NEWPORT

Community Center



NEWPORT

River Walk



NEWPORT

Eva Sexton Park



NEWPORT

Fifth and Filbert Park



NEWPORT

Skate Park



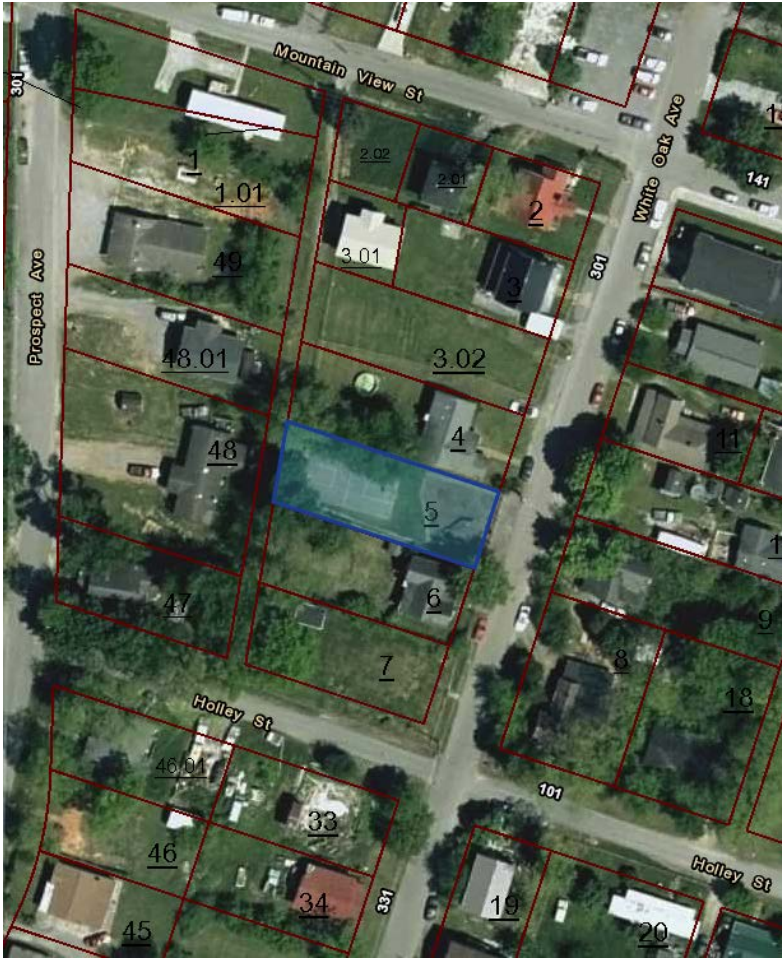
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Park to Float



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White Oak Park



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Pet Milk Park



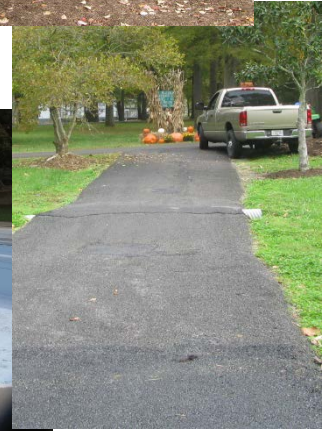
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Irish Cutt Road Park



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City Park



NEWPORT

Grammar School



COCKE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Northwest Elementary School



Parrottsville Elementary School



Bridgeport Elementary



Del Rio Elementary



COCKE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Centerview Elementary



Edgemont Elementary



Smokey Mountain Elementary



Grassy Fork Elementary



EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION

Programs

Newport

- Smoky Mountain Little League
- Newport/Cocke County Rapids Swim Team
- Recreation Youth Basketball
- Youth Football league

Cocke County

- Little league baseball/softball (T-ball through 18)
 - Coed flag football (ages 4 - 10)
 - Local basketball youth league (up to age 12)
 - Adult Basketball league at community center
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EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION

Special Events

Chamber

- Summer concert series (May through July)
- Newport harvest street festival (October 6 & 7)
- Newport Christmas parade (December 8)

Cocke County Parks and Rec

- Easter Egg hunt (Saturday before Easter)
 - Moonshine Rod Run (3rd weekend in June)
 - Trick or Treat at the track (October 31st)
 - Kiwanis Fireflies Flicks
 - Car Show (August)
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EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION

Special Events

Other

- Kiwanis pancake breakfast (April)
 - Cruise against cancer (April)
 - National tourism week (1st full week of May)
 - Kiwanis Ramp Festival (May)
 - Parrottsville fireworks showcase (July 4th)
 - Cocke County A&I fair (2nd weekend in July)
 - Tennessee picnic celebration (1st week of August)
 - Parrottsville heritage days (2nd Weekend in October)
 - Del Rio Days (4th weekend in October)
 - Centerview Ruritan Turkey Festival (2nd Sat in November)
 - Christmas festivals and parades throughout County
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SPECIAL THANKS!

- Gary Carver, City of Newport Planner
 - Brian Evans, Cocke County Parks & Rec Director
 - Pam Lowe, Cocke County Mayor's Office
 - Tim Dockery, Newport Parks & Rec Director
 - Lynn Ramsey, Chamber of Commerce
 - Lucas Graham, Cocke County Partnership
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SURVEY (459)

Coke County and Newport Regional Parks and Recreation Survey

Online Version is available at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Coke2017>

Coke County and the City of Newport are partnering to develop a long-range plan for Parks & Recreation and we need your help. Your input is critical in helping us meet the needs of our growing community. Please take a few minutes of your time to provide us with your opinions on recreation programs and facilities in Coke County. You should be 18 years of age or older to respond to the survey. We ask that only one survey per household is completed and submitted. The survey will remain open until **November 10, 2017**.

Tell us about your household:

1. Please tell us where your household lives.

Newport City Limits Coke County, not in the city
 Parrottsville City Limits Other (please specify) _____

2. Check the racial/ethnic group that best describes your household.

White/Caucasian Black/African American Asian/Pacific Islander
 Latino/Hispanic Native American Other (please specify) _____

3. How many people live in your household? _____

4. How many people in each age group live in your household?

0-5 6-14 15-20 21-34 35-64 65+

5. I live in Coke County _____:

Year-Round;
 Seasonally;

6. I am a/an _____:

Renter
 Owner

Tell us about your parks:

Coke County and Newport Regional Parks & Recreation Survey

Tell us about your household:

*1 Please tell us where your household lives

- Newport City Limits
 Parrottsville City Limits
 Coke County, not in the city
 Other (please specify)

*2 Check the racial/ethnic group that best describes your household.

- White/Caucasian Latino/Hispanic
 Black/African American Native American
 Asian/Pacific Islander
 Other (please specify)

*3 How many people live in your household?

*4 How many people in each age group live in your household?

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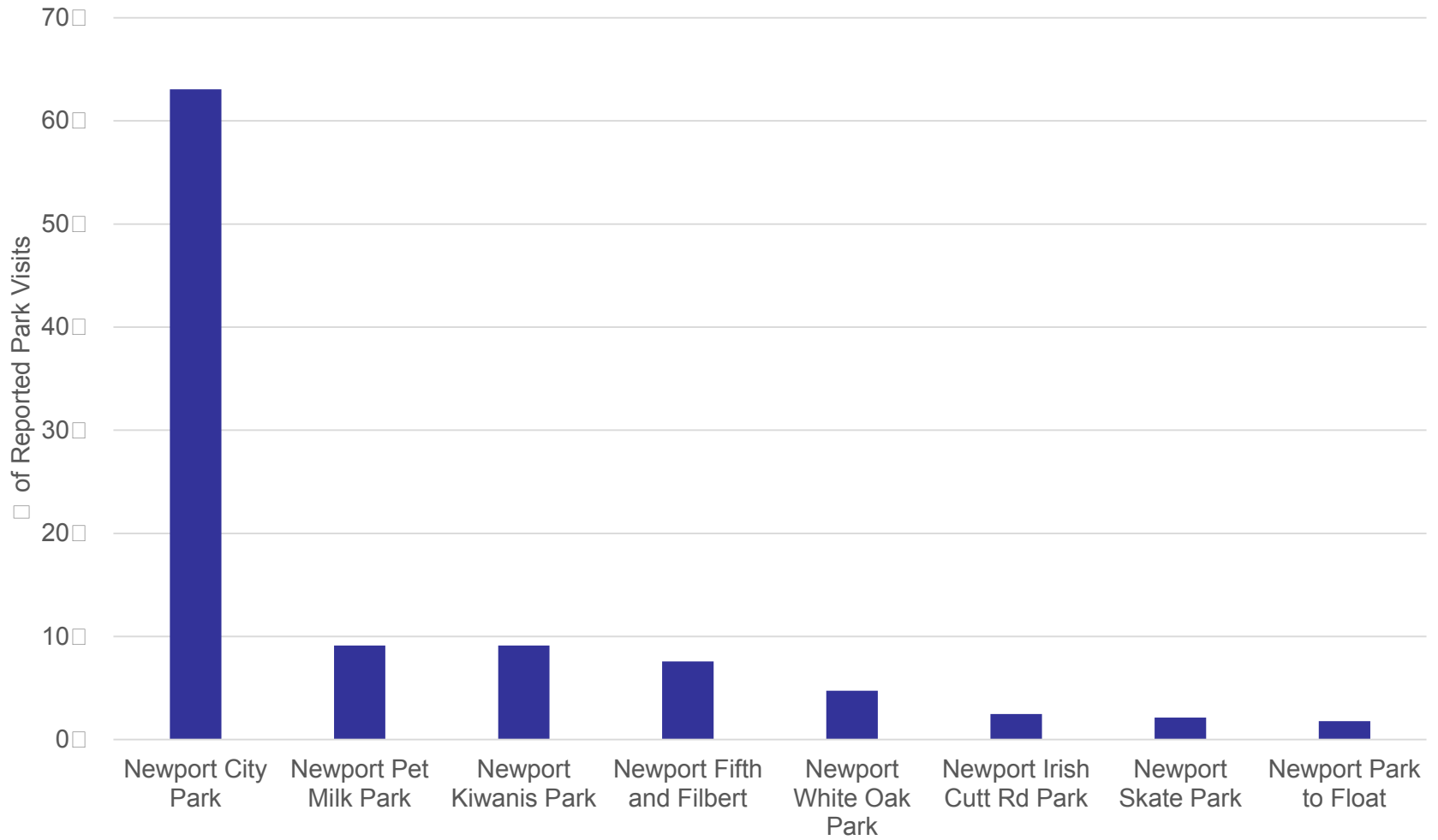
*5 I live in Coke County _____

- Year-Round
 Seasonally

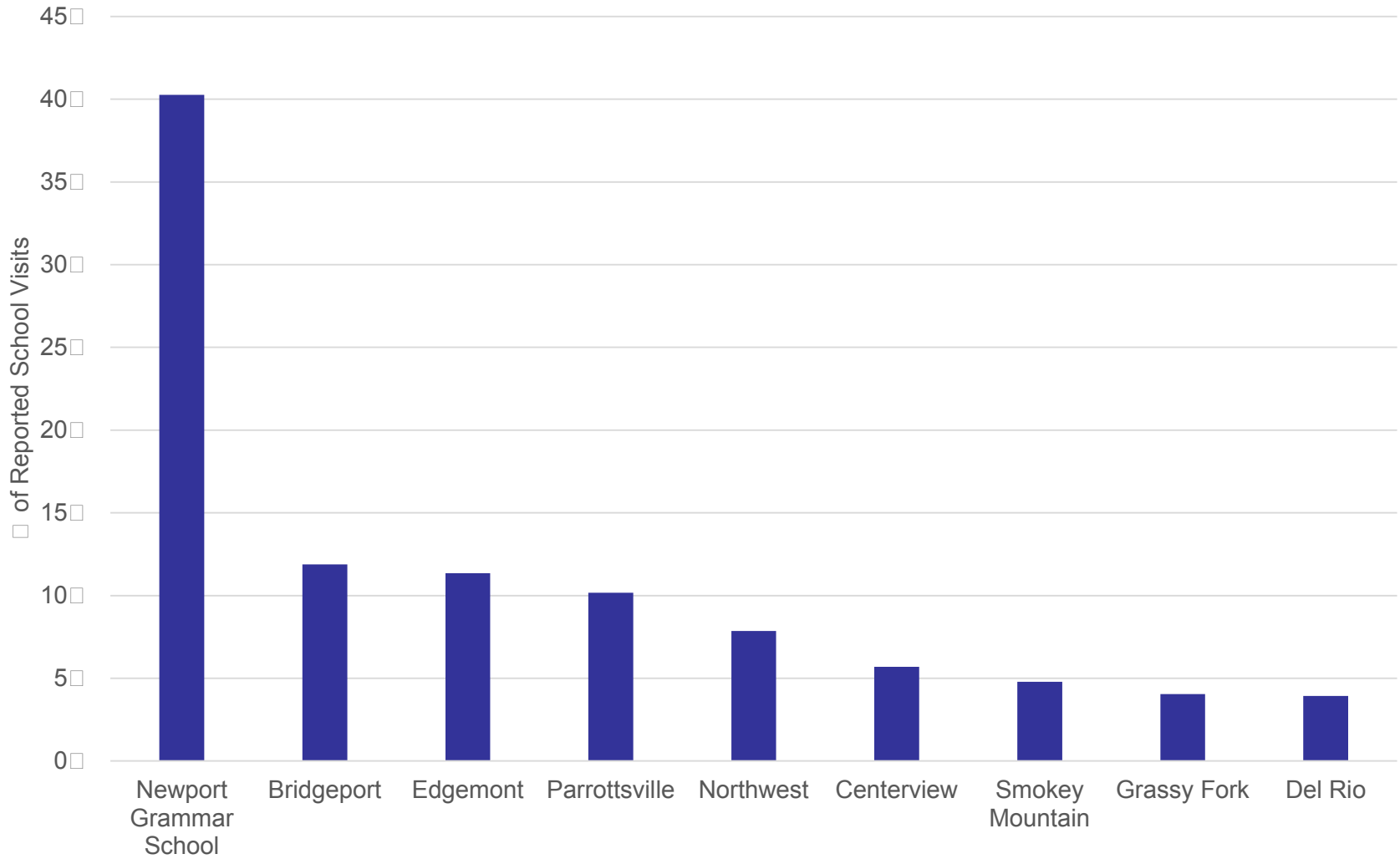
*6 I am a/an _____

- Renter
 Owner

VISITORS PER PARK

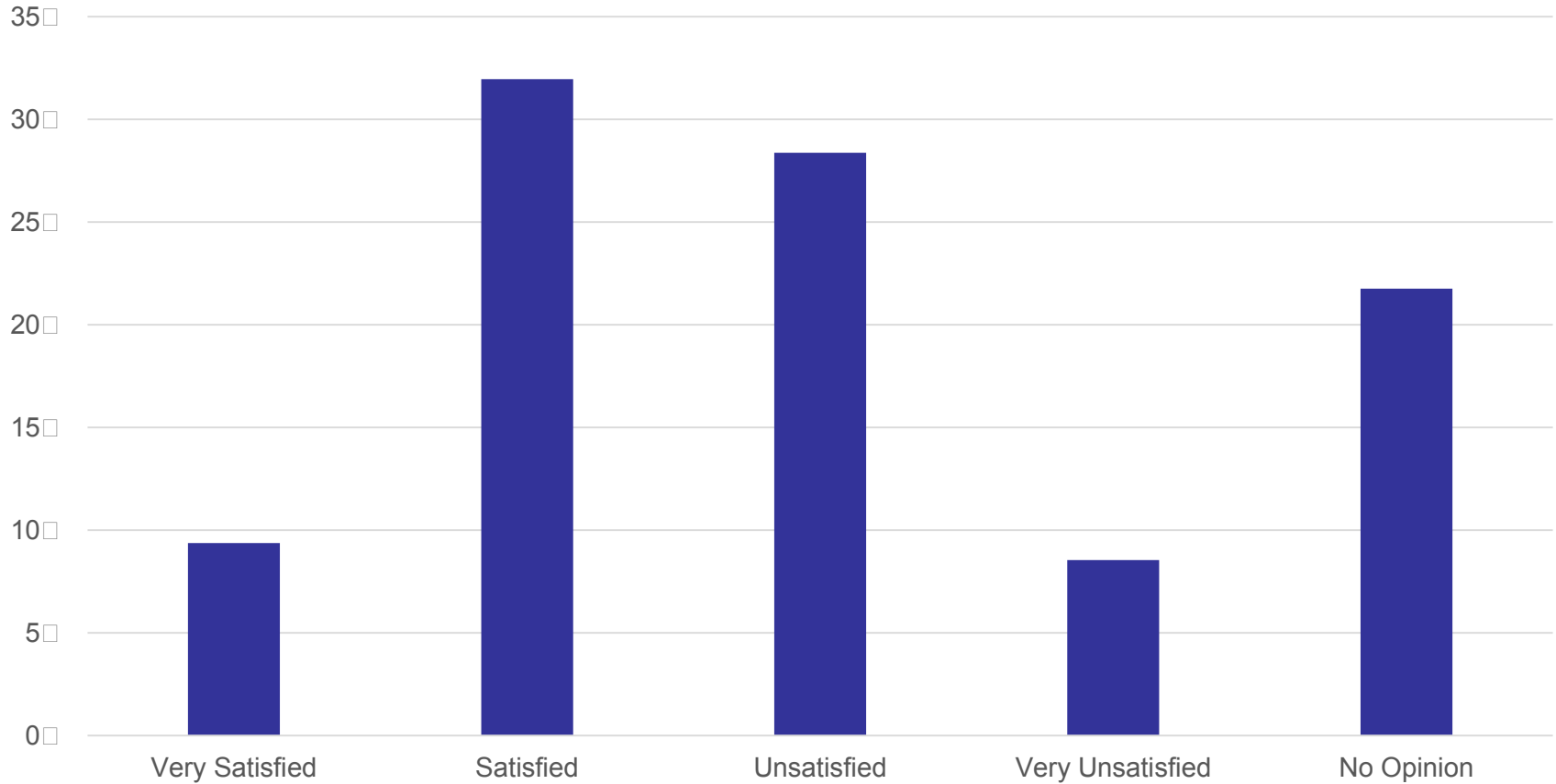


VISITORS PER SCHOOL



SURVEY

How **satisfied** are you with the current parks and recreation facilities and activities in the City of Newport?



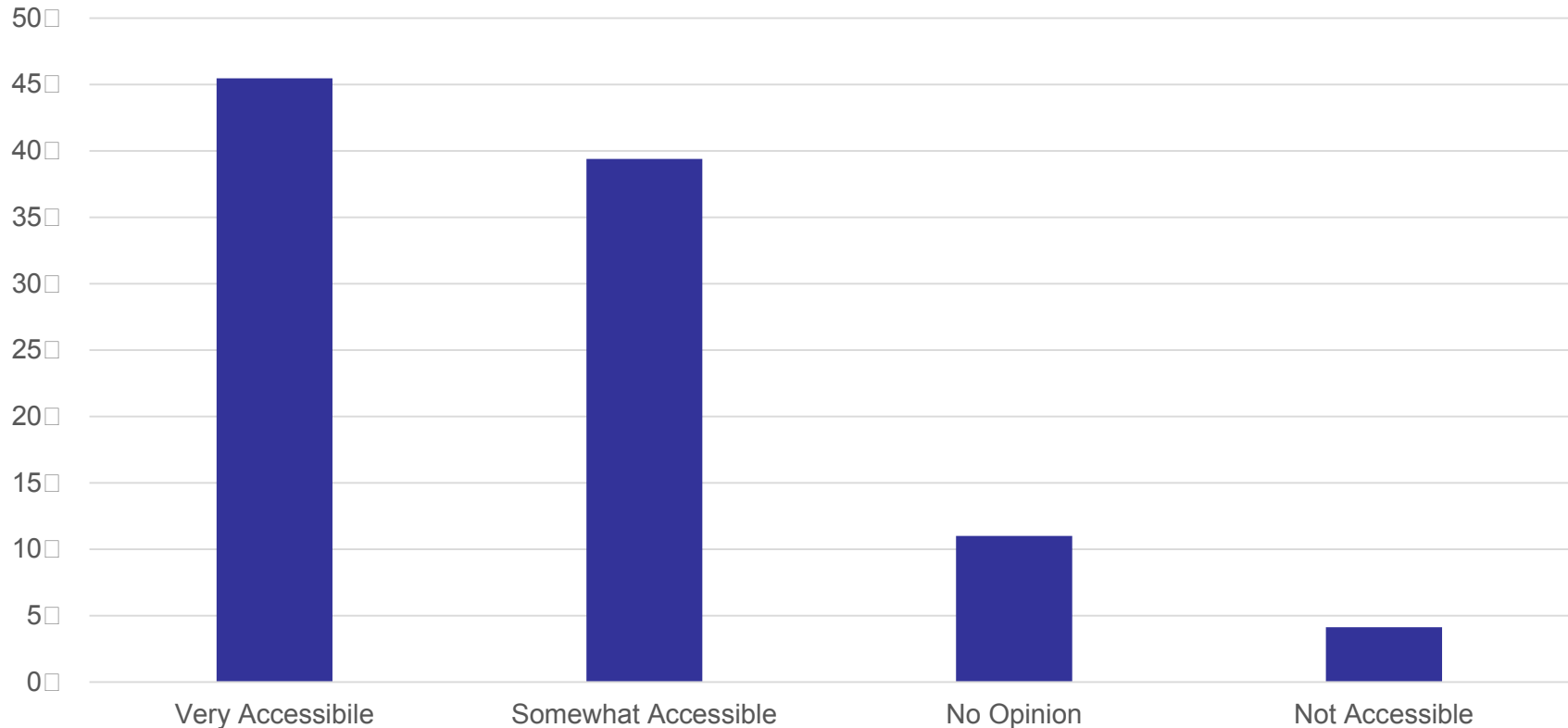
SURVEY

If you are unsatisfiedor very unsatisfied, what **recommendations** would you offer to improve the above facilities? (147 responses)

- Splash pads/water park (36)
 - Existing park upgrades (25)
 - General maintenance improvements (19)
 - More for kids to do (17)
 - More advertising/publicity (15)
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SURVEY

How **accessible** are the facilities and activities provided by Newport and Cocke County to all citizens no matter their age, race religion, gender, national origins, or physical ability?



SURVEY

If you believe the facilities and activities are not accessible, what **recommendations** would you offer to improve accessibility of the above facilities? (48 responses)

- Wheelchair paths/trails (10)
 - More ADA play equipment (9)
 - Didn't know about park & rec opportunities (6)
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SURVEY

Other than City and County Parks in Cocke County, what **other parks and recreation activities** does your family do in our region? (537 responses)

Activities

- Hiking (134)
- Boating (43)
- Fishing (39)
- Walking/running (30)
- Splash Pads (30)
- Camping (29)
- Swimming (23)
- Rafting/Kayaking (23)

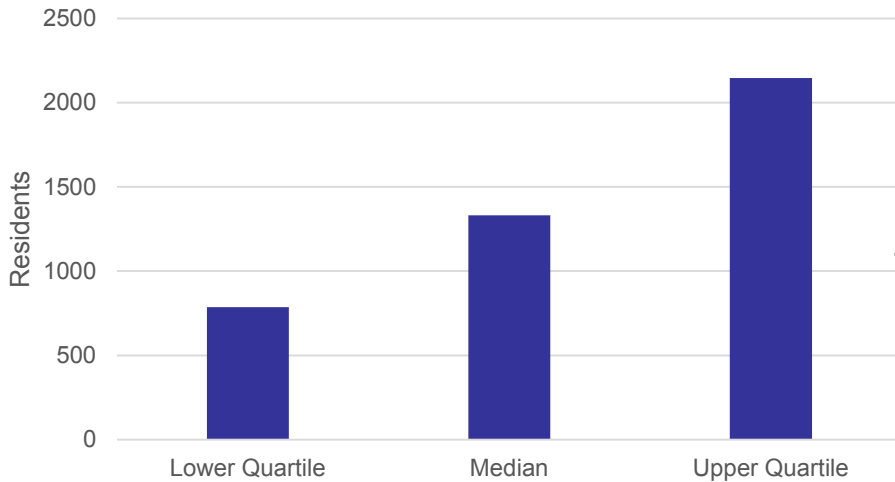
Locations

- White Pine (18)
 - Cosby (15)
 - Sevierville (12)
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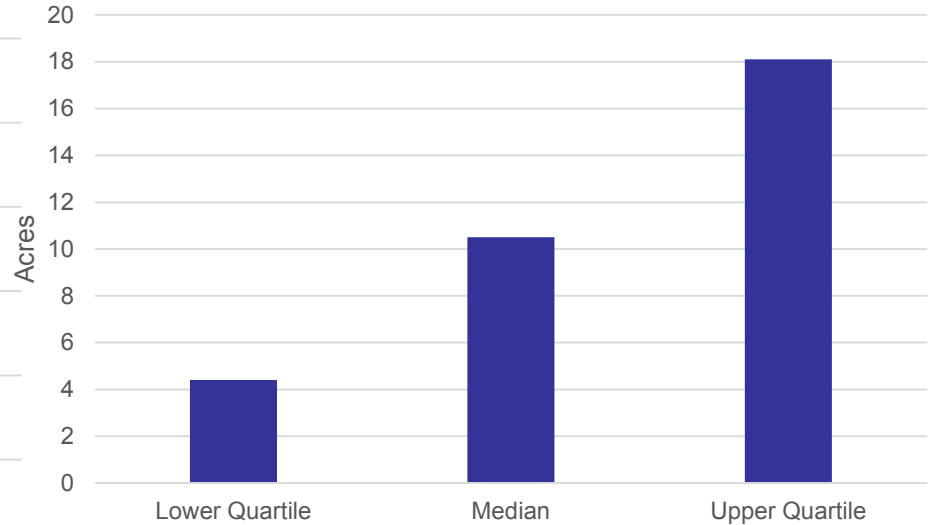
NATIONAL COMPARISON

Summary of National Metrics

Residents/Park



Acres/1K Residents



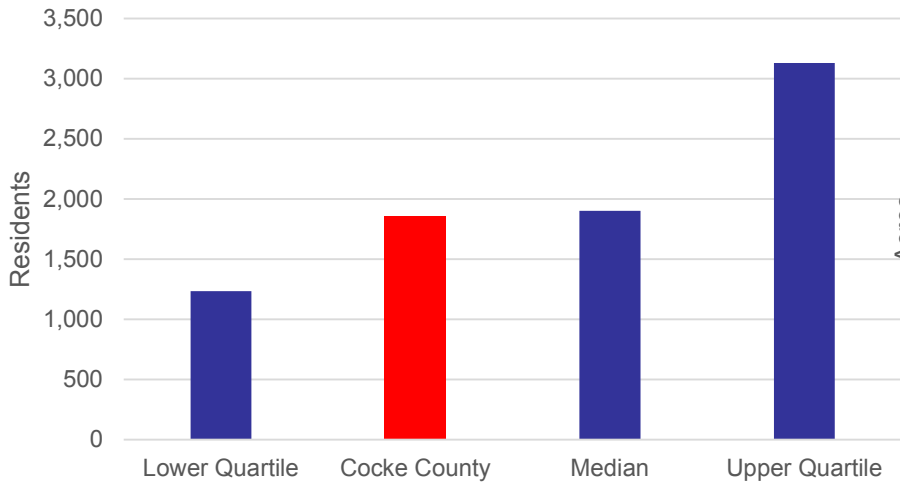
Median Residents per Park: 1,331

Median Acres Park per 1K Residents: 10.5

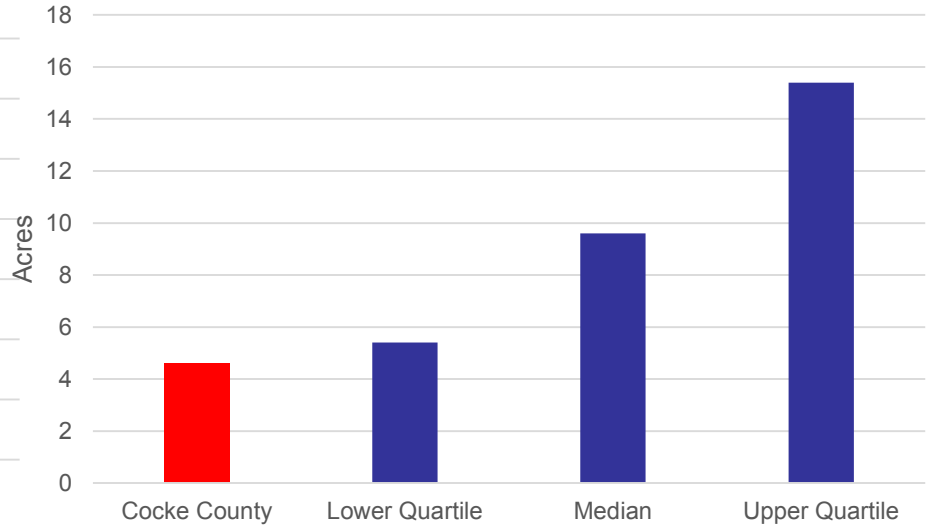
NATIONAL COMPARISON

Summary of National Metrics

Residents/Park



Acres/1K Residents



Cocke County Residents per Park: 1,859

Cocke County Acres Park per 1K Residents: 4.6

EXISTING PARKS AND RECREATION

Summary

- Most facilities in good condition
 - Schools are in excellent condition
 - Most park use at Newport City Park
 - Strong desire for more splash pads/water parks
 - ADA accessible paths/trails needed
 - National comparison suggests Cocke County may need additional acres of park
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Where are we headed?
- Trends and Projections

TOWN OF Newport TRENDS

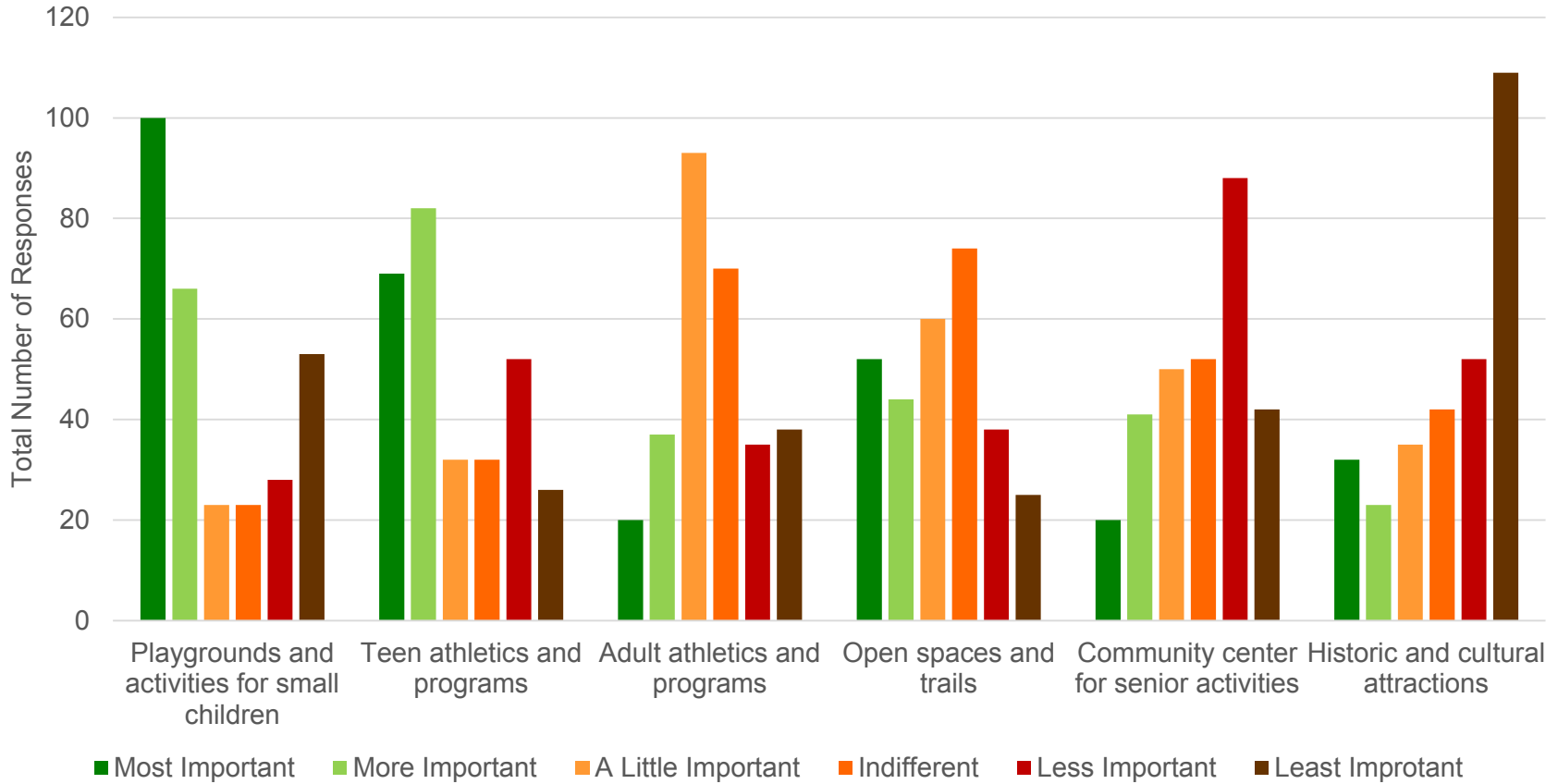
10-Year

- Coker County's total population increased 1%
- Most had a high school equivalent or higher edu.
- Median age increased from 39 to 45
- Employment decreased 2%, unemployment increased 4%
- Household income increased almost 5%
- Housing stock increased by 900 units
- Median home value increased \$29,400
- Next 10-years population expected to decrease from 35,258 to 35,064 (-1%)¹

Where do we want to go?
- Goals and Objectives

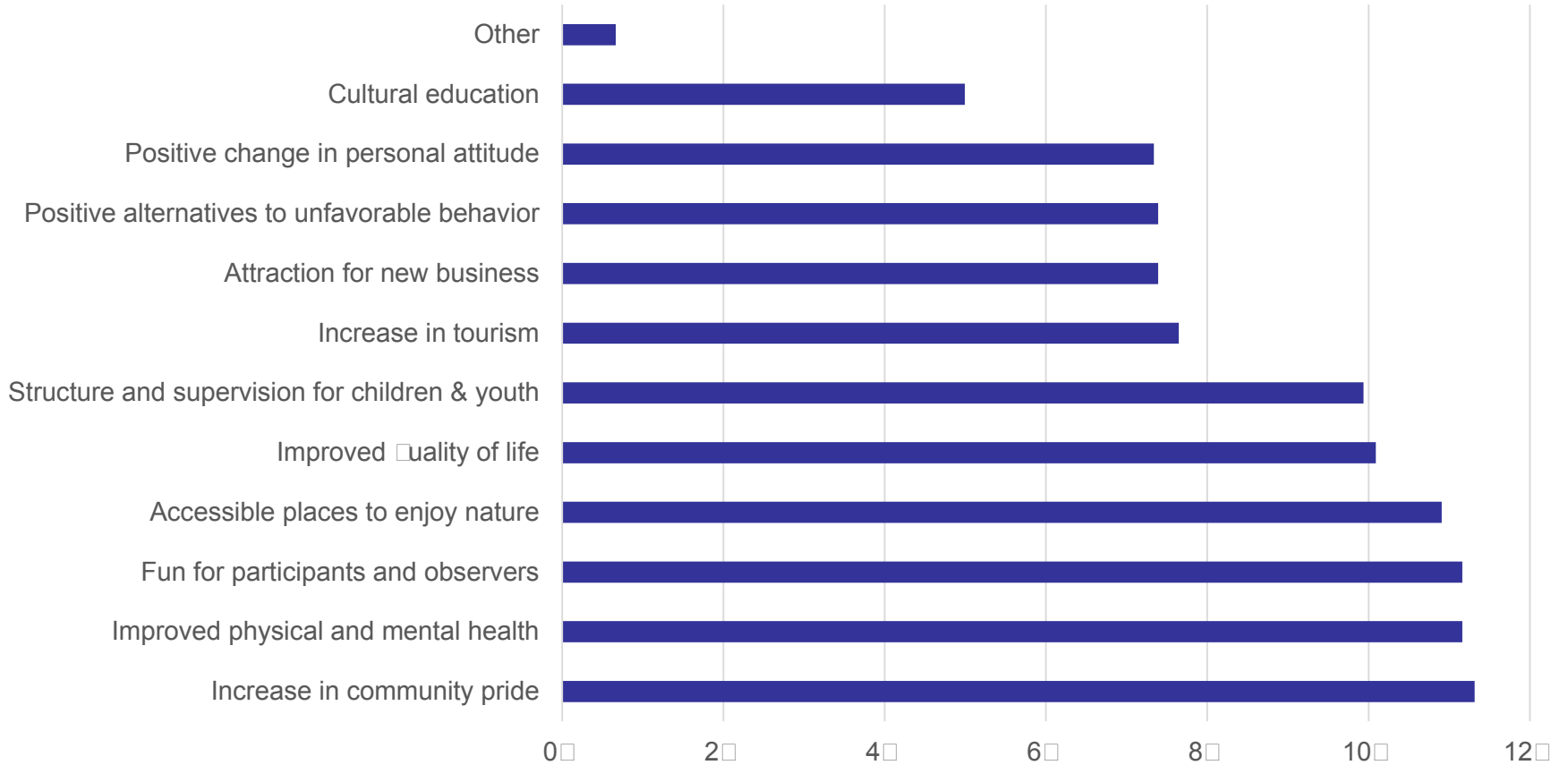
SURVEY

Please rank the following activities in order of **importance** for your household



SURVEY

Which of the following activities and services do you think are important for **parks and recreation agencies** to provide?



SURVEY

Are there any **additional activities** that members of your household would like to see provided by Newport/Cocke County? (246 responses)

- Splash pad/water park (50)
 - More activities/classes (28)
 - Bike trails/lanes (24)
 - Walking/running trails (24)
 - Dog park (18)
 - River access (15)
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SURVEY

Please provide any **other comments and suggestions** relative to Parks and Recreation you would offer to the City of Newport and Cocke County for our consideration?

(54 responses)

- Add/improve splash pads (8)
 - More dog parks/dog friendly trails (7)
 - More organized activities needed (6)
 - More facilities/events needed in Cosby (6)
 - Senior access/safety (3)
 - Add new bike trails/connections (3)
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WHERE DO WE WANT TO GO?

City

- Riverwalk extension
- Greenway
- Multiuse paths and bike trails within City

Cocke County

- Ballfield Complex

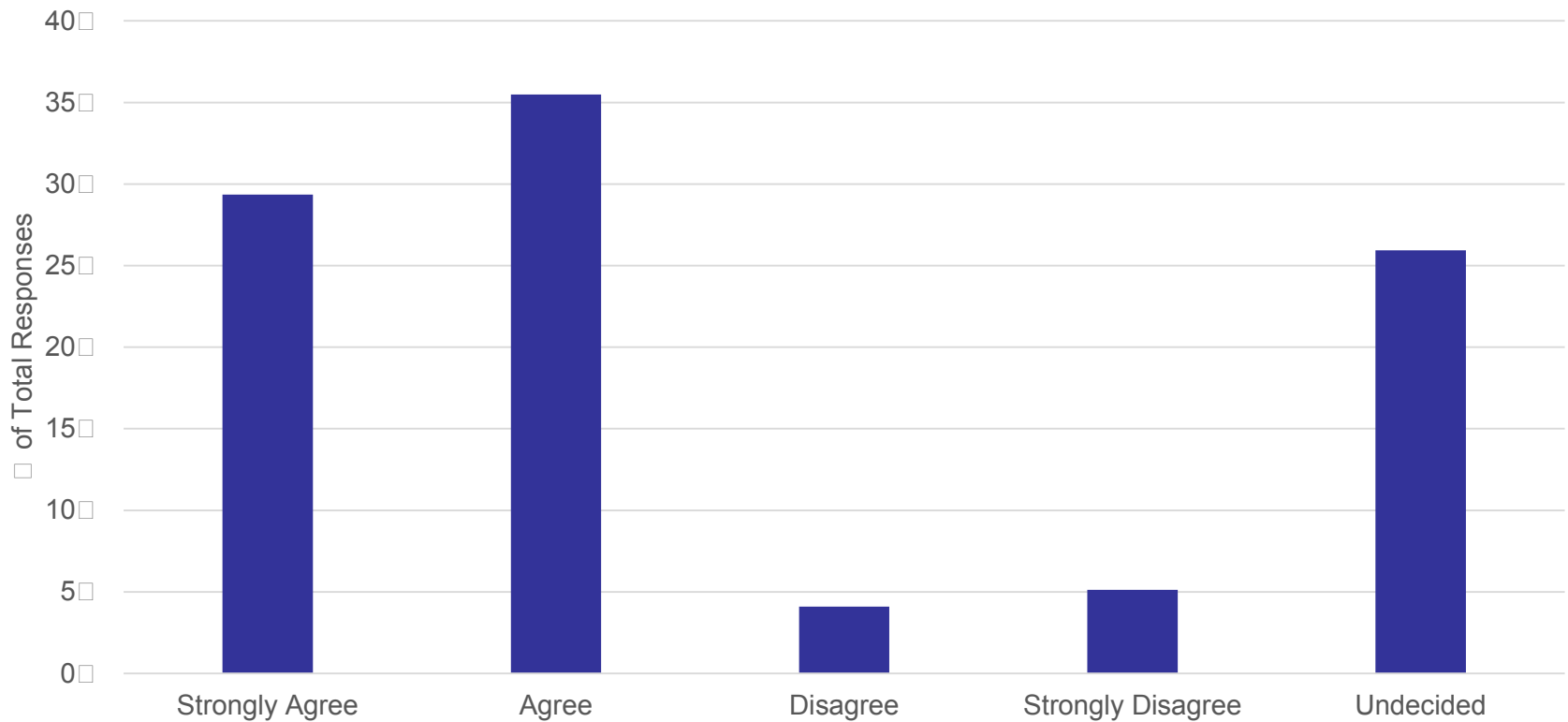
Cocke County Partnership

- Hartford plan to promote rafting
 - Trail development from Hartford to Newport
 - Trail development from Newport along 25E to the lake
 - Multiuse trail on new Hwy 321 connector
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How do we get there?
- Implementation Strategies

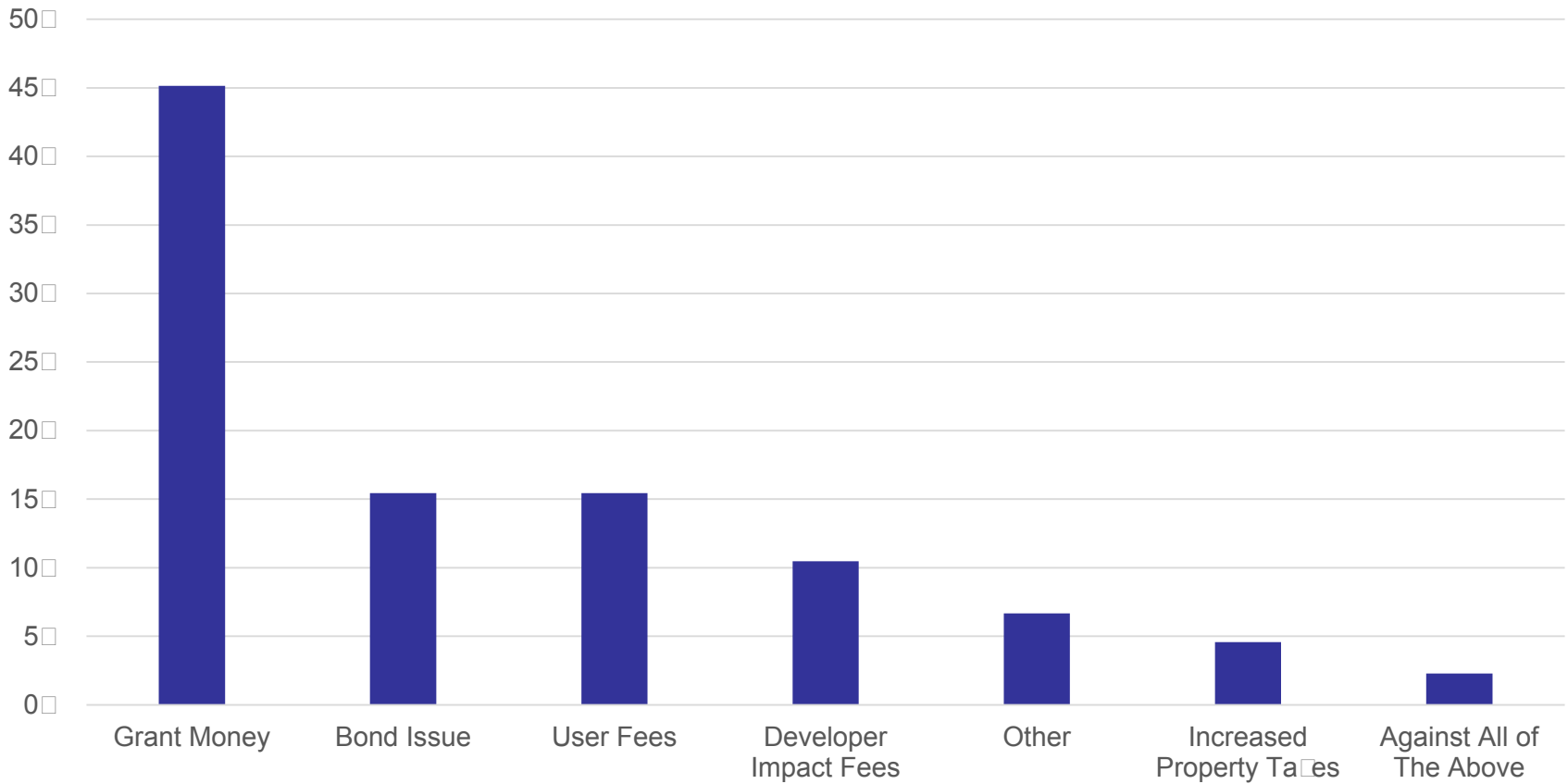
SURVEY

□ would be in favor of new or increasing existing financial methods to expand facilities in Cocke County and Newport □



SURVEY

How should Newport and Cocke County finance new parks and recreation facilities?



Community Input

Guided Questions

1. What do you like or dislike about existing park and recreation facilities?
 2. What new park and recreation facilities are needed?
 3. What do you like or dislike about existing park and recreation programs?
 4. What new park and recreation programs are needed?
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QUESTIONS?



Appendix E: On-Site Checklists

Name of park or resource:	Bridgeport Elem School
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The parking lot is part of the school. I have commented on the state of the parking lot but that is it. I will not be assessing the access into the school from the parking lot.
General Park Infrastructure:						The infrastructure is very poor
Vehicular circulation		X				There is a main entrance that goes up a steep hill that leads you to the parking lot. There is a small (no stall line, no ADA sign) parking lot that is near the baseball field. The road to get to that parking lot is very thin and not lit. The regular parking lot has plenty of spaces with ADA being closest to the building.
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				There is nothing major wrong with the main parking lot. The small parking lot near the field needs to have stall lines and ADA signs
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	There is no paved path to the ball field, bleachers, or restroom facility
Parking adequate		X				There are over 100 stalls in the main parking lot, but there are 6 stalls next to the ball field. There is enough stalls for everyone.
Pedestrian circulation					X	There is no paved circulation (sidewalks - only car circulation) on site from the main parking lot to the fields, and there is no paved circulation from the closest parking lot to the restroom, bleachers, dugouts or fields.
Erosion	Y					There is some erosion in the infield because the field in not graded in the right direction
Slope stability	N					There are no major slopes on site
Vandalism	N					None
Signs			X			There is only one sign for the school but you cant see it until it is too late to see. I passed the school and had to make a U turn. I would also not have known where the baseball field is. There should be a sign in the parking lot to tell pedestrains where the field is and there should be a sign that indicates there are ADA spots closer to the field so those people dont have to walk as far.
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots					X	There are no designated ADA parking stalls that are close to the baseball field
Ramps to Facilites					X	There is no paved path on the site so there are no ramps
Ability to participate	N					No, there are no paved paths
Ability to be a spectator	N					No, there are no paved paths

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Bathroom	N					There is a restroom facility on site but it is not ADA accessible. There is no path to the restroom, the door is too small for wheelchair access
Concession	N					There is no concession building on site. The building is just a restroom.
Signage with Brail	N					There is no signage on the restroom door
Signage	N					There is no signage on the restroom door
Fields and Courts:				X		Basebal Field
Fields graded and stable				X		The infield needs to be cleaned of grass and weeds, and the outfield needs to be reseeded to establish new growth. The third base line corner cuts it before the arc should start making the field shorter in that one area.
Fences in good repair				X		Half of the fence is missing and the fence that is still there in in very poor condition
Courts in good repair						N/A
Goals and nets in good repair						N/A
Playgrounds:						We did not assess the playground
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						Dugouts - the dugouts are in extremely poor condition and need to be replced. There are falling apart and do not look stable or safe.
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						Wood
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Wood
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						Wood
Special equipment						Wood benches in the dugout

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems						N/A
ADA violations						There is no paved path from the parking lot to the dugout and there is not enough space in the dugout to accommodate a wheelchair
Life Safety Code issues						N/A
Structures:						Bleachers - no one should sit on these bleachers. The wood is splitting, the metal is rusting and none of them are sitting even. All of the bleachers need to be removed and replaced. There should be a concrete pad underneath of them that connects to the parking lot and to the restroom facility.
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						Metal and wood
Foundation						N/A
Roofing						N/A
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						N/A
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems						N/A
ADA violations						There is no concrete underneath or around the bleachers for ADA access
Life Safety Code issues						N/A
Structures:						Restroom Facility - the facility is in poor condition and needs to be demolished. The restroom is not ADA accessible and there is no paved connection. The building is just for the restroom and there is no concession stand attached to it. The new building should be oriented better.
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						Cmu
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Shingles
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems					Y	

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
ADA violations						There is no paved path from the parking lot to the restroom, the path around the building is not even, there is no path from the bleachers to the restroom.
Life Safety Code issues						N/A
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						There is no playground equipment in the vicinity for kids with siblings. It is on the other side of the building which is out of sight for their parents which is a safety concern.
Is something missing?						
Does the place look good?						No

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
What could be done to improve?						The entire field needs to be evaluated by the school and county to see if there want to repuroose the field into something else or start over. The field needs a lot of improvements and at this point you might as well start with a clean slate. There is enough space to turn the field into a football field with a playground on the site or a basketball court
Additional Thoughts:						Field it lit, there is a path to the field, no ADA route.
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Del Rio Elem School
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The parking lot is part of the school. I have commented on the state of the parking lot but that is it. I will not be assessing the access into the school from the parking lot.
General Park Infrastructure:						
Vehicular circulation		X				There is a parking lot of the east side of the ball field and there is a loop for the cars and busses to drop off kids.
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				There are some cracks in the asphalt but nothing to prevent driving on it.
Pedestrian paving in good repair		X				There are some cracks in the concrete but nothing to prevent walking on it or ADA accessibility on it.
Parking adequate	Y					69 stalls and 6 ADA stalls
Pedestrian circulation					X	There is no paved circulation to the baseball field
Erosion					X	No issue
Slope stability		X				No issue
Vandalism					X	There is no vandalism on the site
Signs			X			There is one sign for the elementary school which is difficult to see while driving
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots			X			There are 6 stalls, but none of those stalls are near the baseball field
Ramps to Facilities					X	The ground is flat, you will not need a ramp, however, there is no paved walk to the baseball field.
Ability to participate					X	There is no paved path to the baseball field, or dugouts.
Ability to be a spectator					X	There is no paved path to the bleachers
Bathroom					X	There is no paved path to the restroom facility
Concession					X	There is no paved path to or around the concession building
Signage with Brail					X	There is no signage with brail on the restroom door
Signage					X	There is no signage that would indicate the restroom facility is ADA accessible
Fields and Courts:				X		The field has not been played on in a while. The infield is overgrown with weeds and grass. There is very little aggregate left. Parts of the outfield need to be reseeded to establish new turf growth. The field needs to be cleaned and redefined to be an actual baseball field.

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fields graded and stable	N			X		The field is graded properly. There was no standing water on site.
Fences in good repair	N				X	The only fence on the field was the backstop, which was in good repair. A foul line and outfield fence need to be installed to complete the field. There should also be a fence topper placed on top of the fence.
Courts in good repair						N/A
Goals and nets in good repair						N/A
Playgrounds:						There are no playgrounds on site
Proper surfacing						N/A
Proper equipment						N/A
Visible hazards						N/A
Equipment in good repair						N/A
ADA Accessible Equipment						N/A
Graffiti						N/A
Swings						N/A
Climbing						N/A
Multi Age						N/A
Structures:						Dugouts
Name of building and purpose						The dugouts are in poor condition and need to be replaced. The wood is rotting and they are too far down the foul line.
Construction Type						Wood, metal
Foundation						Rocks
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						N/A
Special equipment						Wood benches
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	N					N/A
ADA violations	Y					There is no paved path to the dugouts. The dugout is not wide enough to fit a wheelchair.
Life Safety Code issues	N					N/A

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Structures:						Concession and restroom - this is in decent repair but the restrooms are not ADA accessible. The building looked to be very small so they should demolish it and place a better facility with ADA restroom stalls and a concession stand.
Name of building and purpose						The building is in good reapiir
Construction Type						Cmu, wood
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal, wood
Fenestrations						Wood
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						The door was locked so we could not verify the type of kitchen equipment was in the concession part of the building
Mechanical systems						Could not verify
Electrical systems					Y	
ADA violations						There was no paved path to or around the building
Life Safety Code issues						No
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						
Is something missing?						There is no playground equipment for sibilings to play on while there is a game going on
Does the place look good?						No
What could be done to improve?						The infield needs to be cleaned, the outfield needs to be reseeded, the fence needs to be added, the dugouts needs to be replaced, an ADA route needs to be added from the parking lot to the concession and field, and the bleachers needs to be replaced.
Additional Thoughts:						The field does have lights.
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						

Name of park or resource:	Edgemont Elem School
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The city and the school need to sit down and discuss if they want to continue to have a baseball field at this location. The field is completely overgrown and, and needs all parts of the remining elements to be replaced. The football field is in decent condition but needs some reseeding to establish new turf. The restroom and concession stand is not ADA accessible. There is no ADA accessibility from the parking lot to any of the park amenities.
General Park Infrastructure:						the parking is associated with the school
Vehicular circulation		X				The cirulation is a large parking lot that makes a loop
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				the paving is in decent repair. There is a lot of loose gravel in the parking lot that needs to be cleared out
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	there is no paved connection from the parking lot to the park amenities. There is a concrete path around the concession and restroom facility but the concrete is cracked, broken, uneven and has steps in it, it is unaccessable.
Parking adequate	Y					there is plenty of parking at the school parking lot
Pedestrian circulation					X	there is no pedestrian citulation in the park that connects the parking lot to the rest of the amenitie to the park
Erosion					X	There is no erosion on the site that effects the fields
Slope stability		X				there are no slopes in the area
Vandalism					X	none
Signs			X			there is on sign for the elementary school on the road
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					there are ADA stalls that are closer to the school rather than the field. There is plenty of stalls to turn into ADA stalls that would be closer to the fields
Ramps to Facilites	N					there is no pedestrian circulation; no ramsp
Ability to participate	N					no, there is no paved paths that connects the parking lot to the rest of the amenities
Ability to be a spectator	N					no, there is no paved paths that connects the parking lot to the bleachers
Bathroom	Y					there is a restroom facility, unable to access
Concession	Y					there is a concession facility, unable to access
Signage with Brail	N					no signs on restroom or brail

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Signage	N					no signs on restrooms
Fields and Courts:						Football - Baseball
Fields graded and stable						both of the fields needs to be reseeded. The baseball field infield needs to be cleaned of all the grasses and weeds. The county and school need to evalaute the relevance of having two baseball fields with how poor of a condition they are both in
Fences in good repair				X		the fences for the baseball field needs to be torn down because there are in poor condition and there is no play happneing on the baseball field
Courts in good repair						there are no courts on site
Goals and nets in good repair						N/A
Playgrounds:						There are no playgrounds on site
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						the restroom and concession facility needs a number of repairs. Some of the sm block is coming out of place. The concrete path around the facility needs to be replaced.
Name of building and purpose						Concession, bathroom, announcer
Construction Type						Cmu
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	Y					
ADA violations	Y					you cannot access the restroom from any part of the site

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						Dugouts
Name of building and purpose						baseball dugouts
Construction Type						cmu, wood
Foundation						none
Roofing						metal and wood
Fenestrations						none
Exterior walls and finish						none
Special equipment						none
Mechanical systems						none
Electrical systems						none
ADA violations						cant access the dugout
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						
Is something missing?						the baseball fields should either be removed to they can draw the football field correctly. The field is not a perfect rectangle because of the aggregate in the infield of the baseball field. If they do any with the baseball fields the football can be in better condition
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						

Name of park or resource:	Eva Sexton Park
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The park is in excellent condition. There is opportunity to expand the park in both directions to get more river front exposure. More pedestrian lights should be added during expansion
General Park Infrastructure:						the parking for the park is part of the police department. The park does not have any designated stalls
Vehicular circulation						there is no vehicular circulation within the park. All of the circulation happens in the parking lot of the police department. The circulation is a one way in and out with a loop in the back of the lot
Vehicular paving in good repair						the paving is in good repair
Pedestrian paving in good repair						the park consists of about a quarter mile walking trail. Concrete in good repair
Parking adequate						there is technically no parking for the park, all parking happens at police department
Pedestrian circulation						the circulation is linear. If you walk to the end you have to turn around and walk back the rest of the way back to the beginning
Erosion						none
Slope stability						the slope has large rocks on it to keep the stability
Vandalism						none
Signs						there is no sign indicating the park is behind all the building on main street
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots						there are no actual stall for the park but there ae 4 near the park
Ramps to Facilites						there ae no ramps, it is flat from the parking to the concrete trail, don't need ramps
Ability to participate						yes, evertything is flat
Ability to be a spectator						yes, evertything is flat
Bathroom						there is no restroom facility on site
Concession						there is no concesstion facility on site
Signage with Brail						no restroom on signs
Signage						no restroom on signs
Fields and Courts:						there are no fields or courts associated with this park
Fields graded and stable						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fences in good repair						
Courts in good repair						
Goals and nets in good repair						
Playgrounds:						there are no playgrounds associated with this park
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						Pavilion
Name of building and purpose						the metal pavilions sat in the middle of the grass. One did not have any benches to sit. The other had one. The pavilions do not offer the park any support. They do not match with the wooden swings that are on site
Construction Type						Metal
Foundation						N/A
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						N/A
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	N					
ADA violations	Y					No path
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						Two gazebos
Name of building and purpose						the gazebos have wooden swinging chairs. They are placed near the river so you can sit and overlook the river
Construction Type						Wood

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						N/A
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						N/A
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	N					
ADA violations	N					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						the park is in great condition. The park is hidden and there should be more effort to advertise for the park. If there is an opportunity to expand the walking trail, it would give residents a beautiful place to walk along the river.
Is something missing?						
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Fifth and Filbert Street
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The park is in poor condition. The basketball court needs a fence replacement. The parking lot should be repaved to make it more even and to have better drainage. There is open space that could be used for a playground and or pavilion. There should be better circulation around the park and more lighting. There is no restroom facility at this park.
General Park Infrastructure:						
Vehicular circulation					X	There is technically no circulation. There is a lot that cars park in.
Vehicular paving in good repair				X		The parking area in in poor condiditon. There are no stall lines, the area is not even
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	There is no paving other than the basketball court
Parking adequate		X				Enough space just no designated parking spots
Pedestrian circulation					X	The only circulation is only from the basketball court to the parking lot
Erosion					X	none
Slope stability		X				no large slopes
Vandalism					X	none
Signs					X	none
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots					X	There are no ADA stall lines or parking sings
Ramps to Facilites					X	there are no because you don't need any
Ability to participate	Y					yes
Ability to be a spectator	Y					yes
Bathroom	N					There is no restroom on site
Concession	N					There is no concession on site
Signage with Brail						N/A
Signage						N/A
Fields and Courts:						
Fields graded and stable						The open space is graded nicely and there is no standing water or weak spots
Fences in good repair					X	There are no fences, just fence posts
Courts in good repair				X		The asphalt is in decent shape, some cracks and weeds

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Goals and nets in good repair				X		The posts are in the wrong place and are missing hoops. The poles need to be replaced and relocated
Playgrounds:						There is no playground equipment in the park
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
						There are no structures in the park
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						
Is something missing?						The park has the potential to be a great neighborhood park it is just missing the essential elements. The basketball needs to be finished, and there is plenty of space to add a playground while keeping some open space
Does the place look good?						no
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Irish Cutt Road Park
Date:	11.30.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						This park needs to be evaluated to see if the city should even keep it. The park is disjointed with the equipments it has, has no parking, has no pedestrian circulation and doesn't offer a large variety for the playground equipment.
General Park Infrastructure:						The infrastructure is poor
Vehicular circulation						There is no circulation. The park is situated between two private residences
Vehicular paving in good repair						there is no paving. There is no designated parking lot because the park is situated between two private residences
Pedestrian paving in good repair						there is no pedestrian paving in the park
Parking adequate						there is no parking for the park. There is no opportunity for street parking
Pedestrian circulation						there is no paving therefore no circulation
Erosion						none
Slope stability						no slopes
Vandalism						none
Signs						there is one sign
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots						there are no parking stalls
Ramps to Facilities						there are no ramps because there is no paving
Ability to participate						no, there is no path to the amenities, there is also no equipment for ADA
Ability to be a spectator						no, wherever you decide to park is on gravel, there is no path from outside the park to the basketball court or to the playground equipment in the park
Bathroom						there is no restroom facility
Concession						there is no concession facility
Signage with Brail						there are no signs, no brail
Signage						there are no signs
Fields and Courts:						
Fields graded and stable						the open field is graded and has good drainage
Fences in good repair						the fence is in good repair and has barbed wire on the top
Courts in good repair						the basketball court is in good repair. There are a few cracks but nothing to prevent play

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Goals and nets in good repair						the nets should be replace. There are holes all over them
Playgrounds:						there is no actual playground. There is one money bar set that is in the corner of the park
Proper surfacing						there is no surfacing, everything is grass
Proper equipment						no, there are no ADA swings and there is only one monkey bar set
Visible hazards						none
Equipment in good repair						yes, the equipment that is there is in good repiar
ADA Accessible Equipment						no, the swings and monkey bar set are not accessible
Graffiti						no
Swings						there are four
Climbing						moneky bars are sort of climbing
Multi Age						no
Structures:						there are no structures associated with this site
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Caboose						
§						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						
Is something missing?						this park is lacking a lot of infrastructre and play equipment
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Newport City Park
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						This park is in great condition. There are only a few changes that need to be made. There needs to be an ADA sidewalk connection to the bleachers in for the football field and from the North entrance sidewalk to the two pavilions. There is a lack of lighting in the site and more pedestrian and street lights should be installed for safety. There should be a few bleachers added for spectators along the basketball and tennis courts. The pool needs to have an ADA lift installed.
General Park Infrastructure:						Great
Vehicular circulation		X				the park has two entrance that have have two looks. There is an inside loop and an outside loop. There are 6 'parking lots' in the park all around the major amenities
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				The asphalt is in good repair
Pedestrian paving in good repair		X				there is a walking trail in the park, which is in good conditdion. There are no other paths in the park that connect the amenities to other amenities
Parking adequate	Y					plenty of parking stalls. There are 65 stalls near the pool - no ADA, 20 stlls near the tennis courts - 2 ADA, 18 stalls near the softball fields - 4 ADA, 25 stalls near the playground - 0 ADA, 14 stalls near the baseball field - 3 ADA, and 36 stalls near the pavilions - 4 ADA
Pedestrian circulation		X				there is not a lot of clear pedestrian cirulation. Each of the nodes in the park are all separate entities and do not connect with each other. The parking lots and the roads make it difficult to connect the all togheter
Erosion					X	there is no erosion
Slope stability		X				there are no major slopes
Vandalism					X	none
Signs	Y					there is one sign for the city park near the major entrance
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					There are a total of 13 ADA parking stalls
Ramps to Facilites	Y/N					Some have ramps, not all
Ability to participate	Y					there is the opportunity to participate in all the amenities except the softball field and football field. There is no paved path to those amenities
Ability to be a spectator	Y					there is an opportunity to be a spectaor for all the amenities except the softball field and football field. There is no paved to to those amenities

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Bathroom	Y					there are three restroom facilities, baseball, softball, and pool. All three were locked, no verification of ADA accessibility
Concession	Y					there are two concession facilities, baseball and softball. The baseball field concession cannot be verified because it was locked. The softball concession facility had the window opening at the correct height
Signage with Brail	N					no brail on the signs
Signage	Y					signs on the restrooms
Fields and Courts:						Football - Baseball-Volleyball-Tennis-Basketball-Football
Fields graded and stable						Good-Good-Good-N/A-N/A-Good
Fences in good repair						N/A-No outfield fence-N/A-N/A-Good-N/A
Courts in good repair						N/A-N/A-Good-Good(6)-Good-N/A
Goals and nets in good repair						N/A-N/A-Good-Good-Good-N/A
Playgrounds:						There are multiple playgroup pits. Each piece of equipment is in its own contained box. Each of the pits had woodchips. The playgrounds were not contained into one pit, which they should be. There is more of a tripping hazard as kids run from box to box. none of the boxes had ADA accessible surfacing, or equipment. There were not paths to any of the playground boxes.
Proper surfacing	N					wood chips
Proper equipment	Y					there was great equipment for kids of all ages. There was a lack of ADA equipment that was close to the ground
Visible hazards	N					all of the boxes were edged with wood, might be a tripping hazard
Equipment in good repair	Y					yea, it all seemed new and was clean and well maintained
ADA Accessible Equipment	Y					no
Graffiti	N					no
Swings	Y					there are 6
Climbing	Y					there was one small clinging dome
Multi Age	Y					yes, the playground is split into two sections. There is an older kid area and a younger
Structures:						Picnic Pavilions
Name of building and purpose						Parties
Construction Type						Brick, metal, wood
Foundation						Concrete

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Roofing						metal
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						N/A
Special equipment						Benches (not ADA), fire place, grills, trash cans
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	Y					
ADA violations	N					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						Concession Stand
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						Cmu, plastic, metal, shingles
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Shingles
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	Y					
ADA violations	N					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						Pool House
Name of building and purpose						Bathroom, Concessiom, Sitting area
Construction Type						Brick, wood, shingles
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Shingles
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						Brick
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	Y					
ADA violations	N					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						
Boat Launch						
Pool	Y					Pool has a slide and 4 diving boards
Caboose	Y					Caboose sits in the middle of a planted median. There is no path around it. There are a few benches in the area under trees.
Special Facilities: Pool						
ADA Accessible Pool	N					
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool	N					
Info to Architect:						
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						
Is something missing?						the park is in great condition. There is a lack of connectivity between all the amenities. Each amenitie seemed like a different park instead of feeling wholisitc
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						

Name of park or resource:	NGS Elem School
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The sports complex is in great condition. Each of the fields has the appropriate equipment for games. The only suggestion would to put more bleachers closer to the Northwest field and to continue the path leading from the concession stand around the rest of the Northwest field to connect it to the skate park
General Park Infrastructure:		X				
Vehicular circulation		X				The school has all of the parking. There are three entrances into three satellite parking lots at the school. The south entrance is for the ball fields. The parking lot is a loop.
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				The pavement is in excellent condition
Pedestrian paving in good repair		X				there is a paved concrete path from the parking lot to the restroom and concession facility, to the baseball field, and the bleachers at the baseball field.
Parking adequate		X				There are 87 stalls near the fields. None of those stalls are striped for ADA stalls
Pedestrian circulation		X				The circulation is a straight shot from the parking lot to the baseball field, while you go around the restroom and concession stand. There was a paved concrete path that was started to go towards the softball field but it was terminated near the corner of the foul line and outfield fence
Erosion					X	there is none
Slope stability		X				there are no slopes in the area
Vandalism					X	the fields are clean
Signs			X			Could use some more specific signs
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					There is plenty of parking but none of them are striped for ADA accessibility
Ramps to Facilities	N					Don't need
Ability to participate	N					yes'
Ability to be a spectator	Y					yes'
Bathroom	Y					there is a restroom facility, it was locked so we were unable to verify if it was ADA
Concession	Y					there is a concession facility, the window opening was at the correct height
Signage with Brail	N					there was no brail on the sign
Signage	N					there were signs for the restroom

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fields and Courts:						The infields are oddly shaped and should be redesigned. The infield for the softball field looks too big and the infield for the baseball field looks too small
Fields graded and stable	Y					The courts are graded to allow good drainage
Fences in good repair	Y					the fences are in great condition with a fence topper on it
Courts in good repair						no courts
Goals and nets in good repair						no nets
Playgrounds:						there are no playgrounds associated with the ball fields
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						The dugouts are in good condition and built correctly.
Name of building and purpose						Dugouts
Construction Type						CMU, wood, metal
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu, wood
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	N					
ADA violations	N					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						The restroom and concession stand
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						Cmu

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						Could not verify kitchen equipment
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems						inside, could not verify
ADA violations						could not enter the restroom, could not verify
Life Safety Code issues						N/A
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						The ball fields are clean and well maintained. The concrete path is in good repair. The bleachers are in good repair as well
Is something missing?						the concrete path needs to be finished to the softball field
Does the place look good?						yes
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						No bleachers on second floor, dugouts are only wood on second field. Bleachers are good, metal on concrete, no real backstop, fields are lit.
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	NGS Playground (Kiwanis Park)
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						Kiwanis park is in great condition. There are only a few changes the park needs. There is no pedestrian circulation to the playground equipment from the restrooms or the rest of the baseball fields. An ADA sidewalk should be installed to provide access. The playground surfacing should be updated for ADA accessibility.
General Park Infrastructure:						
Vehicular circulation						The school has all of the parking. There are three entrances into three satellite parking lots at the school. The south entrance is for the ball fields. The parking lot is a loop.
Vehicular paving in good repair						The pavement is in excellent condition
Pedestrian paving in good repair						there is no paved pedestrian paths within the park
Parking adequate						There are 87 stalls near the fields. None of those stalls are striped for ADA stalls
Pedestrian circulation						there is no paved pedestrian circulation within the park
Erosion						there is no erosion
Slope stability						the slope is heavily grassed and there is no problem with the slope
Vandalism						none
Signs						there is one small sign that is easily missed
ADA Issues						All of the parking is at the school
Parking Spots						There are no striped ADA stalls
Ramps to Facilities						there is no paved pedestrian circulation in the park; no ramps
Ability to participate						no, there is a fence that encompasses the park, the only way to enter the park is from the parking lot at the school. There is a paved path that leads close to the playground. There is then a hill that has no ramp to the playground equipment
Ability to be a spectator						not really, they would have to sit at the top of the hill
Bathroom						the restroom facility is associated with the ball fields
Concession						the concession facility is associated with the ball fields
Signage with Brail						the signs are associated with the ball field
Signage						the signs are associated with the ball field
Fields and Courts:						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fields graded and stable	Y					there are no sports fields at this property. The grass and open space is graded to allow drained to a particular area tht removed the water from site
Fences in good repair	Y					the fences emcompass the site and are in good repair
Courts in good repair						there are no courts at this property
Goals and nets in good repair						there are no nets or goals at this property
Playgrounds:						Lit
Proper surfacing	N					The playground has mulch woodchips. The surfacing needs to change to ADA
Proper equipment	Y					the playground has two jungle gyms, six swings, and three tetter totters. One of the swings is ADA accessible but there is no access to the swing.
Visible hazards	N					No
Equipment in good repair				X		The equipment is in good repair
ADA Accessible Equipment	N					there is one ADA swing but no access to it. There rest of the equipment is not ADA. There needs to be more hand on equipment closer to the ground
Graffiti	N					none
Swings	Y					Six, One handicap
Climbing	Y					there are two jungle gyms but there isnt a lot of climing opportunity on them
Multi Age	Y					yes, there are two sets of jungle gyms
Structures:						there are no structures associated with this park
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						the park is well maintained and clean. The surfacing needs to change and there is space for expansion to add more playground equipment
Is something missing?						bike rack
Does the place look good?						yes
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	NGS Skate Park
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						
General Park Infrastructure:		X				
Vehicular circulation					X	The school has all of the parking. There are three entrances into three satellite parking lots at the school. The south entrance is for the ball fields. The parking lot is a loop.
Vehicular paving in good repair					X	The parking at the school is in great repair
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	There is no pedestrian paving that is part of the skate park
Parking adequate	Y					There are 87 stalls near the fields. None of those sports are striped for ADA stalls
Pedestrian circulation					X	There is no pedestrian paving that is part of the skate park
Erosion					X	none
Slope stability		X				no slopes in the area
Vandalism					X	none
Signs					X	there was one sign on the back of the stake park. There should be a few more around the parking area and the back streets to indicate where it is
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots						The parking is at the school and there are plenty of spots and ADA stalls
Ramps to Facilities						there is no paving for the park; no ramsp
Ability to participate						no, there is no paved access to the skate park
Ability to be a spectator						no, there is a gravel road that leads up to the skate park but it is not accessible to someone in a wheelchair, it needs to be paved
Bathroom						there is no paved connection from the skate park to the restroom facility. The facility was locked so there is no verification if the restroom was ADA accessible
Concession						there is no paved connection from the skate park to the concession facility. The window for the concession was a the appropriate height
Signage with Brail						there was no brail on the restroom sign
Signage						there were restroom signs on the doors

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fields and Courts:						The fields were part of the ball field park, not the skate park
Fields graded and stable						
Fences in good repair						
Courts in good repair						
Goals and nets in good repair						
Playgrounds:						The playground is park of kiwanas park, not the skate park
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						There were no structures associated with the skate park
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special Facilities:						The skate park has skate equipment that is in good repair. There is 6 pieces of equipment. There is space for more, or to expand the park to the south
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						The park looks like it is used frequently and is in good condition. There should be lights so kids can skate while there are night games being played.
Is something missing?						
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						Pavement in good repair, equipment in good repair, benches to sit, no lights, locked, no path leading up to it.
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Northwest Elem School
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The park is in decent shape. There needs a to be an ADA accessible path around the perimeter of the baseball fields as well as one that is leading towards the restroom and parking lot. Updating some of the dugouts and bleachers would be a good idea. Not all of the fields have a score board or announcers box, those should be installed where missing.
General Park Infrastructure:						the parking is at the elementary school. It is assessed but not part of the park
Vehicular circulation		X				there is a loop for the entrance and exit. There is one parking lot of the west side of the building and one parking lot on the north side of the building
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				the pavement is in good repair. The loose gravel in the parking lot needs to be removed
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	there is no pedestrian paving in the park
Parking adequate						There is enough stalls for the ball fields
Pedestrian circulation					X	the is no paved paths in the park so there is no actual circulation
Erosion					X	there is no eroision on the fields
Slope stability		X				there are no slopes in the park
Vandalism					X	none
Signs		X				there is one sign for the school that is there right as you approach the school
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					the parking lot is associated with the school. There are no painted ADA stalls near the ball fields. There is enough stalls to convert some to ADA
Ramps to Facilites	N					there are no paved paths; no ramps
Ability to participate	N					no; there is no connection from the parking lot to the amenities of the park
Ability to be a spectator	Y					no; the parking lot is not close to the fields, you would not be able to watch
Bathroom	N					there is a restroom facility on site that is far from the fields. It is on the south side of the site. The north baseball field would have a long walk to the restroom. The restroom was locked, could not verify if facility was ADA
Concession	N					there is no concession facility of site
Signage with Brail	N					no brail on the restroom signs
Signage	N					signs on stall doors
Fields and Courts:						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fields graded and stable	Y					Fields are graded well, infields are decent
Fences in good repair	Y					Missing fence toppers
Courts in good repair						there are no courts in the park
Goals and nets in good repair						there are no goals or nets in the park
Playgrounds:						there are no playgrounds associated with this park
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						the dugouts are in decent repair
Name of building and purpose						Dugouts
Construction Type						Cmu, wood, metal
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						Wood benches
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	N					
ADA violations	Y					Cant get to
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Pool						
Caboose						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						the ball fields are in decent shape. There needs to be a path that goes to all of the fields. The north field is very difficult to get too.
Is something missing?						
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						Fields have bleachers. It looks like they have a place for a batting cage but the nets come down when its not in season.
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Park to Float
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The park needs to be lit near all of the major nodes of the park, entrance, restroom, ramp, and outlook. There is an opportunity to extend the overlook and provide a path up and down the river for a river walk. The parking lot needs to be paved and stall lines added.
General Park Infrastructure:			X			Overall the park in nicely build, beautiful and well maintained
Vehicular circulation			X			The entracne to the site is not paved
Vehicular paving in good repair				X		There is no paved drive
Pedestrian paving in good repair	Y					New
Parking adequate	Y					Theres enough space just no designated stalls
Pedestrian circulation		X				Once parked there is a clear cirulation of the site
Erosion	N					None
Slope stability		X				The slope into the water is in good condition
Vandalism	N					None
Signs	Y					There is one sign as you drive up to the site. There should be a sign off the main road indicating the park is down a small side street
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					One
Ramps to Facilites	N					There is a ramp, it is the launch, so it is not ADA accessible
Ability to participate	N					No ADA ramp into river
Ability to be a spectator	Y					Yes, there is a river viewing deck that is ADA accessible. Has one bench.
Bathroom	Y					Yes, the restroom facility is very accessible
Concession						There is no concession on site
Signage with Brail	Y					The sign has brail
Signage	Y					There is a sign
Fields and Courts:						N/A
Fields graded and stable						
Fences in good repair						
Courts in good repair						
Goals and nets in good repair						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Playgrounds:						N/A
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						The restroom was recently constructed and is in great condition. Well maintained and cleaned
Name of building and purpose						Bathroom - single unisex stall
Construction Type						Stucco, cylinder block
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						Stucco, cylinder block
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	Y					
ADA violations	N					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						
Boat Launch						It is not big enough for a boat, just a kayak
Pool						
Pavilion						
§						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						The park looks great. It looks like the park ran out of money which is why they didn't pave the rest of the parking lot and the entrance into the site. They should finish paving because the park would look more wholisitic.
Is something missing?						Lights, there needs to be a few overhead lights for safety reasons
Does the place look good?						Yes
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Parrottsville Elem School
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The baseball field is located at the bottom of a hill with no ADA accessibility to the field. There is a small hill by the baseball field where the restroom sits. There is no ADA sidewalk to the restroom and the restroom itself is not ADA accessible. They should demolish and relocate a new restroom and concession stand closer to the bleachers at the field. Some parts of the fence are missing and need to be replaced. There is no score board or announcers box and they should be placed appropriately on site. The football field has decent ADA access but some parts need to be repaved to ensure safety.
General Park Infrastructure:						
Vehicular circulation		X				the circulation is a large loop around the school. There are two one way roads that lead down to the baseball field and to the football field
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				the road to the baseball field is not paved. The road to the football field is paved. The paved roads are in good condition.
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	there is no paved pedestrian circulation to the baseball field or football field
Parking adequate	Y					there is enough parking at the school for events, and there is enough space for there to be ADA stalls closer to the fields.
Pedestrian circulation					X	there is no paved circulation in the parks
Erosion					X	none
Slope stability		X				the slope to the baseball field has established turf and a gravel road
Vandalism					X	none
Signs		X				there is one sign for the school off the main road
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					there are stalls close to the school but there are no stalls near the fields. There is space for stalls to be added closer to the fields
Ramps to Facilities	N					there is no paved circulation; no ramps
Ability to participate	N					no, there are no paths to either field
Ability to be a spectator	N					no, there are no paths to either field
Bathroom	Y					the baseball and football fields each have a restroom. The baseball field restroom sits at the top of a very steep hill and is not ADA accessible. The restroom at the football field was locked and there is no verification for ADA accessibility.

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Concession	Y					There is a concession stand near the football field, not the baseball field
Signage with Brail	N					there is no brail on the signs
Signage	N					there are signs for the restrooms
Fields and Courts:						Baseball - Football
Fields graded and stable						Outfield great, infield bad - Good
Fences in good repair						No fence down foul line - Good
Courts in good repair						there are no courts on site
Goals and nets in good repair						there are no goals on site
Playgrounds:						there are no playgrounds associated with the site
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						Dugouts
Construction Type						Wood
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						N/A
Exterior walls and finish						Wood
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	N					
ADA violations	Y					Cant get to
Life Safety Code issues	N					

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						Bathroom, Concession, Announcement
Construction Type						Concrete, metal, plastic
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						Metal
Exterior walls and finish						Concrete, plastic
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	Y					
ADA violations	Y					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Caboose						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						
Is something missing?						
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						there needs to be a paved path to both fields. There needs to be a ramp to the restroom facilities. There should be concrete under the bleachers at each field
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Pet Milk Park
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The park is in decent condition but needs to have some more lights for safety. The playground equipment should be updated with better equipment and better surfacing. There should be more pedestrian circulation within the park for ADA accessibility.
General Park Infrastructure:			X			
Vehicular circulation					X	There is no circulation within the park because the parking is off the street
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				The asphalt is in good repair
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	There is no paved circulation within the park. The parking lot asphalt meets the basketball court asphalt.
Parking adequate	Y					There are 11 stalls and 1 ADA stall (12 total)
Pedestrian circulation					X	There is no paved pedestrian circulation in the park.
Erosion					X	none
Slope stability		X				no slopes in the area
Vandalism					X	none
Signs	Y					there is one sign that is on the fence of the basketball court that is off from the road so you wouldn't know what you were driving up to it
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					One
Ramps to Facilities	N					There needs to be ramps to the playgrounds in order to be ADA accessible.
Ability to participate	N					there is the ability to participate for basketball but not with playground
Ability to be a spectator	Y					for the basketball court yes
Bathroom	N					there is no bathroom facility on site
Concession	N					there is no concession facility on site
Signage with Brail	N					none
Signage	N					none
Fields and Courts:						
Fields graded and stable	Y					the lawn area in the playground area is good
Fences in good repair	Y		X			the fences are in good repair
Courts in good repair	Y					Asphalt is good repair

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Goals and nets in good repair	Y		X			The nets are in good repair
Playgrounds:						
Proper surfacing	N					the current mulch surfacing needs to be replaced
Proper equipment	Y					there is only one slide, three teeter totters, and one swing set. There needs to be more jungle gym equipment for kids to play and climb on. The equipment needs to have more accessible interactive equipment closer to the ground.
Visible hazards	N					None
Equipment in good repair	Y					Yes
ADA Accessible Equipment	N					No, there needs to be more interactive equipment closer to the ground
Graffiti	N					No, the park is clean
Swings	Y					there are four
Climbing	N					there is nothing for the kids to climb on
Multi Age	Y					Couple for really small kids, and a couple for middle kids
Structures:						There are no major structure on sie
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						The park is clean and well maintained. The park was being used by multiple residents at the time of assessment.
Is something missing?						More equipment is the element that stands out the most as missing. There is not enough for kids to do at this park currently
Does the place look good?						Yes
What could be done to improve?						More equipment for the kids to climb on
Additional Thoughts:						
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	Smokey Mountain Elem School
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The parking lot is part of the school. I have commented on the state of the parking lot but that is it. I will not be assessing the access into the school from the parking lot.
General Park Infrastructure:						There needs to be a path that is accessible to all parts of the park. The restroom should be relocated and expanded so that it can be a concession stand as well. The bleachers needs to be supported on actual pavement.
Vehicular circulation		X				There is a loop in the front of the school, and two parking lots on either side of the building. There is a paved path down to the baseball field but there is no paved turn around or designated parking stalls
Vehicular paving in good repair		X				The asphalt is in good repair
Pedestrian paving in good repair		X				The concrete around the building is good. There is no concrete near the baseball field. There is an asphalt drive and there is an asphalt ramp that goes to the restroom
Parking adequate	Y					There are over 100 parking stalls in the main lot, but there are no
Pedestrian circulation					N	There is a asphalt path/ramp to the restroom facility that sits on the top of the hill
Erosion					N	There is none
Slope stability					N	The slope is good
Vandalism					N	None
Signs			N			There is one sign on the road as you approach the school
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots	Y					There are ADA stalls in the main parking lot but there is no parking near the field
Ramps to Facilities	Y					There is an asphalt ramp to the restroom but it is above 8.33%
Ability to participate	N					There is no paved path to the dugouts
Ability to be a spectator	Y					Sort of. Because of the asphalt drive that goes down to the field, wheelchairs can get close but the bleachers do not have concrete underneath them or to them for wheelchair access, a path needs to be installed
Bathroom	Y					There a restroom at the top of the hill. The ramp to get to the restroom is not ADA. The door widths are too small for wheelchair access
Concession						There is no concession on site
Signage with Brail	Y					There is no brail on the sign
Signage	Y					there are signs for the restroom

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Fields and Courts:						
Fields graded and stable				X		The field is in poor condition. It needs to be regraded, redefined and cleaned to remove all of the grass and weeds from the infield aggregate
Fences in good repair				X		There are few spots where the fence is missing. It looks like it is where the lawn mower would enter. If that is the case, they should put a gate there so the outfield fence can be complete. The fence backstop needs to be replaced with a more appropriate fence and there should be a topper on it
Courts in good repair						
Goals and nets in good repair						
Playgrounds:						There is a playground at the school but it is not part of the site
Proper surfacing						
Proper equipment						
Visible hazards						
Equipment in good repair						
ADA Accessible Equipment						
Graffiti						
Swings						
Climbing						
Multi Age						
Structures:				X		The dugouts are in ok condition but they should at a minimum be cleaned out.
Name of building and purpose						Dugouts
Construction Type						Cmu, wood, metal
Foundation						Sand
Roofing						Metal, wood
Fenestrations						Cmu
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	N					
ADA violations	Y					Cant access
Life Safety Code issues	N					

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Structures:						The bathrooms sit at the top of the hill which are not accessible to access nor are the restroom themselves accessible. The building should just be demolished and new one should be built on the flat part of the ground near the baseball field and should be ADA accessible and should be expanded to be a concession stand as well.
Name of building and purpose						Bathrooms
Construction Type						Cmu, metal
Foundation						Concrete
Roofing						Metal
Fenestrations						Cmu
Exterior walls and finish						Cmu
Special equipment						N/A
Mechanical systems						N/A
Electrical systems	Y					
ADA violations	N					
Life Safety Code issues	N					
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						
Is something missing?						There in enough room for some ADA stall closer to the baseball field. There needs to be concrete under the bleachers and a path.
Does the place look good?						
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						Smaller children playground is not ADA accessible, proper surfacing for regular kids. Has equipment for very small children and small children. The big kid playgrounds is in good repair. Lots of equipment and swings. Multiple trashcans around the park. They have a metl bleachers, field is lit, one outlit near memorial, they have an asphalt walking trail around school.
Sketches included:						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Photos of each element included:						
Process:						
What to add to checklist?						
What will make tomorrow more productive?						

Name of park or resource:	White Oak Park
Date:	11.3.17
Assessment performed by:	Alyssa

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Checklist Items:						The entire park needs to be reevaluated. There is no ADA accessibility anywhere on the site, the playground quipment needs to be replaced because it is outdated, rusty, and not safe. The playground surfacing should be replaced with ADA surfacing. With the elevation difference within the park, there should be an ADA sidewalk around the park that allows you access to all the amenities the park has to offer. Since there is no real parking lot of this park, they should provide bike racks for those that chose alternate modes of transportation to the park. Lighting shoould be incorporated into the park. The back of the park is overgrown around the fence and could be unsafe at night without proper lighting. The perimeter fence should be considered for replaement because it is overgrown in some places and falling down in others.
General Park Infrastructure:			X			This park needs a restart on the playground portion of the park
Vehicular circulation					X	This is a pocket park and there is only street parking
Vehicular paving in good repair					X	The street has a lot of pot holes in it
Pedestrian paving in good repair					X	There is no paving in the park other than the basketball court
Parking adequate	N					There is no enough space to park. The street is narrow and crowded.
Pedestrian circulation					X	There is no paved cirulation in the park
Erosion					X	none
Slope stability		X				the slope is good
Vandalism					X	there is some vandalism on the sign and playground equipment
Signs					X	No sign that says it's a park. We drove by the park twice
ADA Issues						
Parking Spots					X	There is no designated parking so there is no ADA stalls
Ramps to Facilites					X	There is no paved circulation in the park; no ramps
Ability to participate					X	no, there is no way for a wheelchair to get from the street to any of the equipment or the basketball court
Ability to be a spectator					X	No, with the gravel that is closest to the park next to the street, a wheelchair would have to sit in the street in order to watch anyone use the playground equipment. There is no way to see the basketball court because the grade change in the park
Bathroom					X	there are no restroom facilities on site

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Concession					X	there are no concession facilities on site
Signage with Brail					X	there are no signs; no brail
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Fields and Courts:						
Fields graded and stable						
Fences in good repair						The fences area still standing but there are a lot of tree branches growing through the mesh and the fence is getting overrun
Courts in good repair		X				Asphalt is good
Goals and nets in good repair				X		there are no nets on the hoops and the court is very small
Playgrounds:						The playground has four swings, two teeter totter, one small climbing dome, and one slide. All of the equipment is in decent shape but there just isnt enough to do
Proper surfacing	N					they currently have old soggy rotting mulch as the surfacing. That needs to get switched out for ADA accessible surfacing
Proper equipment	Y					The equipment is good but there needs to be more to do. There isnt a lot of space to have a lot of equipment but there is some room to add more
Visible hazards	N					No
Equipment in good repair	Y					The equipment is in decent repair but the swings and slide should be replaced
ADA Accessible Equipment	N					There are no accessible equipment
Graffiti	N					There is some graffiti on the sign and somes on the equipment. Washing the equipment would get all of that off
Swings	Y					four
Climbing	Y					there is one small climbing dome
Multi Age	N					no, this is for children under 6
Structures:						There are no structures on this site
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						

	Y/N	Good	Fair	Replace	None	Notes
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Structures:						
Name of building and purpose						
Construction Type						
Foundation						
Roofing						
Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
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Fenestrations						
Exterior walls and finish						
Special equipment						
Mechanical systems						
Electrical systems						
ADA violations						
Life Safety Code issues						
Special Facilities:						N/A
Boat Launch						
Pool						
Pavilion						
Special Facilities: Pool						N/A
ADA Accessible Pool						
ADA Ramp/Lift for pool						
Info to Architect:						N/A
name and location of structure						
Approximate size						
Use of structure						
Construction Type						
General Impressions:						The park is very dark, very shaded and does not have any real presence on the street. The park needs to have more color, signs, and street presence so people know where it is
Is something missing?						ADA accessibility is the biggest thing that is missing
Does the place look good?						No
What could be done to improve?						
Additional Thoughts:						I think that they should be street marking that prevent people for parking in front of the park. This was the park is always visable. There should be a bike rack in or near the park because without being able to park a lot of residents may ride their bikes
Sketches included:						
Photos of each element included:						

