



# **CITY OF ST. CLAIR**

## **PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN 2018-2022**

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# CHAPTER 1 COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION



## INTRODUCTION

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Recreation and open space play an important role in the lives of the residents of St. Clair. The most recent Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan was updated in 2011. It included both short and long-term goals, some of which were accomplished in the following years. Significant accomplishments realized since the last plan have included the installation of an ADA-accessible kayak launch at the St. Clair Boat Harbor, further development of the ball diamonds at Legacy Park, and securing a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant to renovate the Palmer Park boardwalk.

The purpose of the current St. Clair Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan is to guide recreation planning and development efforts of the Recreation Department over the next five-year planning period, through 2022. The revised and updated Plan is intended to meet state standards for community recreation planning, which is necessary to gain eligibility for grant programs.

## WHAT THIS PLAN CONTAINS

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This Plan follows the format suggested by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) in the *Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plans (2016)*. This first chapter provides a description of the community, including a summary of both the social and physical characteristics of the area, as well as a discussion of current planning initiatives affecting the area. The Administrative Structure chapter includes a description of how parks and recreation services are administered in the City, including budget and funding information. The Recreation Inventory chapter describes the existing parks and recreation facilities in the community, including state and regional recreation amenities. The inventory also includes an accessibility assessment and an inspection of previously grant-assisted park projects. The Public Input and Planning Process chapter presents the input received from local officials, the project steering committee, City staff, and residents - all of which helped in formulating the Goals and Objectives and Action Plan chapters. The Action Program chapter outlines an action plan with strategies for implementation. Following these main chapters is an appendix which includes various supporting documents gathered throughout the planning process, as well as the official resolutions and notices documenting the Plan's adoption by City Council.

## PLANNING PROCESS

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The process used to generate the Parks and Recreation Master Plan consisted of three phases: background studies, evaluation, and plan development. Background studies involved gathering and updating data from existing documents, plans, and surveys. The information is organized under the first three chapters: Community Description, Administrative Structure, and Recreation Inventory.

The second phase in the planning process included an evaluation and analysis of the gathered

data and included garnering input from City officials and residents to determine recreation facility and program needs.

Finally, the last phase in the process involved plan development and adoption. Goals, objectives, and an action program were formulated based on the input gathered.

The City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan was developed from input from members of the project steering committee, the Recreation Commission, the Harbor Commission, the Recreation Department, City officials, and the residents of St. Clair.

## PLAN JURISDICTION: ST. CLAIR, MICHIGAN

The City of St. Clair is the jurisdiction of this Plan. It is located in St. Clair County, Michigan, along the St. Clair River. The river has played a major role in the settlement, growth, and development of the County and the City. Early settlers used the river as a means of transportation. The City of St. Clair developed and prospered through waterborne commerce. Shipbuilding was a major source of employment during the early years until the 1920s when an increased reliance on rail and automobiles, as well as changing economic needs, caused a shift away from water transportation. Today, salt products and plastics remain as the City's major employment source and source of tax revenue.

The St. Clair Recreation Department serves not only the recreation needs of the City's residents, but also the needs of residents throughout neighboring communities. Therefore the service area considered throughout this document consists of the City of St. Clair, St. Clair Township, China Township, and East China Township.

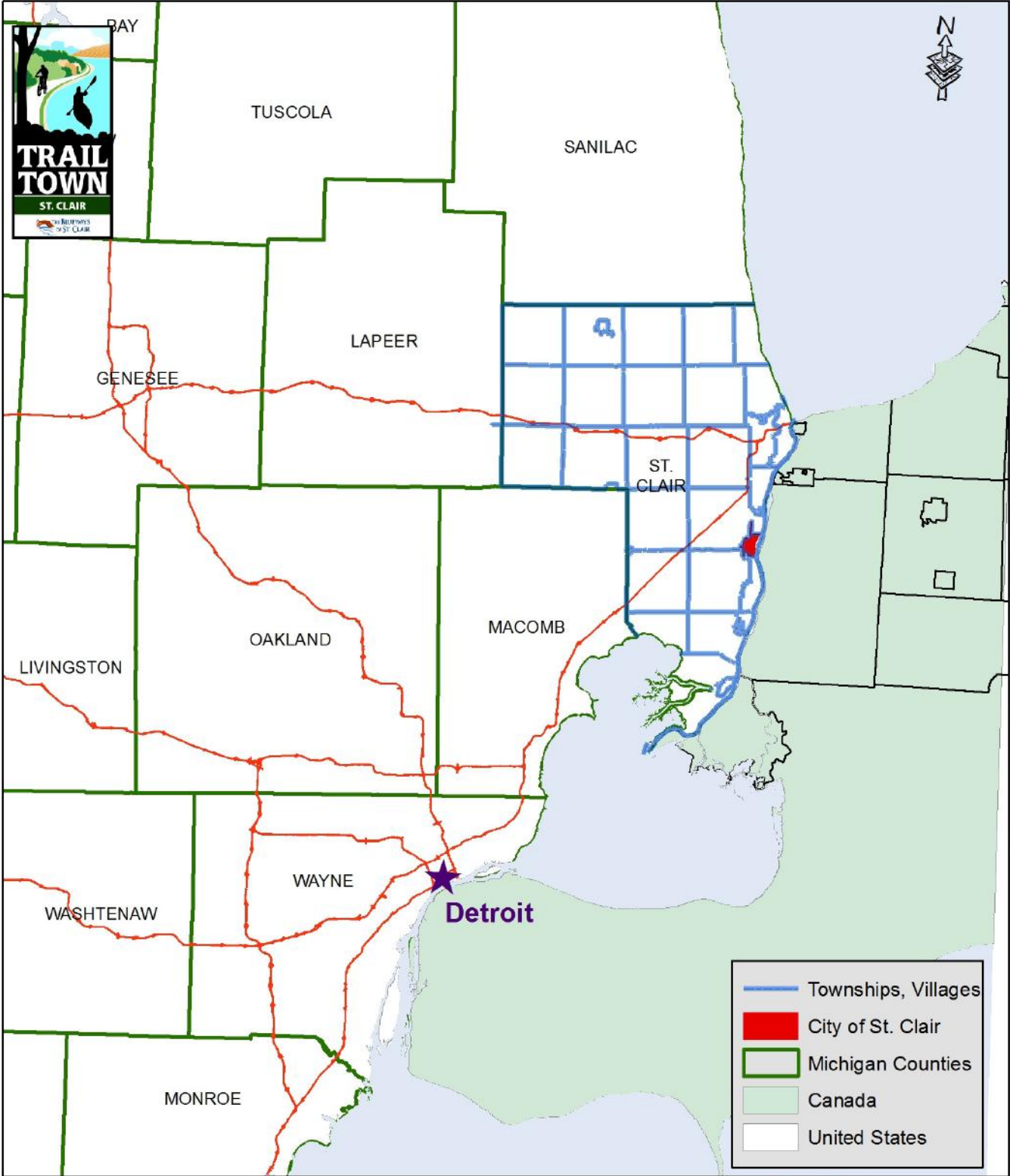
## POPULATION AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

The population of St. Clair saw a steady growth between 1980 and 2000, but has seen a steady decline since. The rate of decline since the year 2000 is greater than that of St. Clair County, while the surrounding townships have continued to see growth. Projections provided by the

TABLE 1-1: HISTORICAL POPULATION, CITY OF ST. CLAIR AND ENVIRONS						
Community	1990	2000	2010	2015 ACS	% Change 1980-2015	% Change 2000-2015
City of St. Clair	5,116	5,802	5,485	5,394	12.85%	-7.03%
St. Clair Twp	4,614	6,423	6,817	6,728	69.68%	4.75%
China Twp	2,644	3,340	3,551	3,494	41.69%	4.61%
East China Twp	3,216	3,630	3,788	3,737	19.70%	2.95%
City + Townships	15,590	19,195	19,641	19,353	35.02%	0.82%
St. Clair County	145,607	164,235	163,040	160,429	15.58%	-2.32%
Region	4,521,177	4,833,493	4,704,743	4,712,709	0.64%	-2.50%

Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017.

# Regional Area



MAP 1-1

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**TABLE 1-2: POPULATION PROJECTIONS, CITY OF ST. CLAIR AND ENVIRONS**

Community	2020	2040	% Increase 2020-2040
City of St. Clair	5,626	5,776	2.67%
St. Clair Twp	6,899	7,035	1.97%
China Twp	3,329	3,798	14.09%
East China Twp	3,954	4,515	14.19%
St. Clair County	161,508	167,621	3.78%
Region	4,646,938	4,742,083	2.05%

Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017.

Southeast Michigan Council of Government (SEMCOG) indicate that St. Clair will continue to have a smaller growth rate than St. Clair County and the surrounding townships except St. Clair Township.

In addition to examining the number of people in St. Clair, it is important to understand the characteristics of the community. These qualities can suggest a need for certain types of recreational facilities or programs. The following tables present basic information about City residents based on the most current Census and SEMCOG data.

**TABLE 1-3: AGE CHARACTERISTICS, 2010-2040, CITY OF ST. CLAIR**

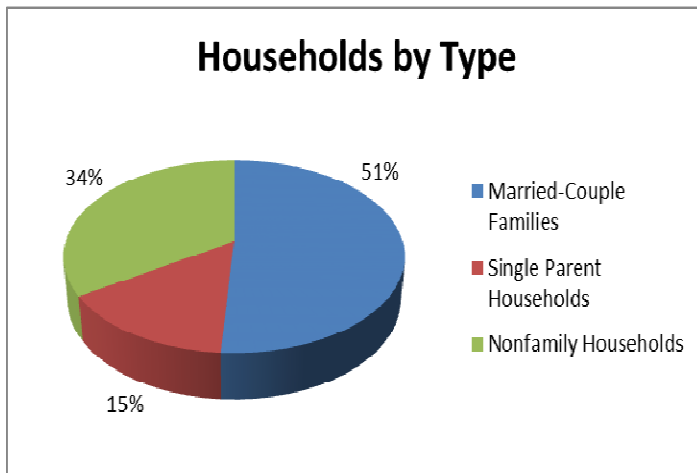
	2010		2040	
	Number	%	Number	%
Preschoolers, up to 5 years	281	5.12%	246	4.26%
School aged, 5-17 years	1,028	18.74%	947	16.40%
Young adults and families, 18-34 years	974	17.76%	1,067	18.47%
Families, 35-64 years	2,370	43.21%	2,042	35.35%
Seniors, 65 years and over	832	15.17%	1,474	25.52%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,485</b>		<b>5,776</b>	

Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017.

Children below the age of 18 make up about 24 percent of the total population in St. Clair. The proportion of children in the City is projected to decrease by 116 to represent about 21 percent of the total population in 2040. Seniors will be the fastest growing segment of the population through 2040. The proportion of the population over 65 years of age is projected to increase by 642 in St. Clair, to represent an increase in the proportion of seniors in the City from 15 to 26 percent.

Approximately 66 percent of the City's population is living in family households and most of these are married-couple families (51%). The remainder of the City's population is made up of non-family households (34%). Non-family households are households which comprise a group of unrelated persons or one person living alone. This number is consistent to the number for the County (31%). About 30 percent of the City's households have children under 18 years and 26 percent of households have seniors 65 years or older.

**FIGURE 1-1: HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE, CITY OF ST. CLAIR**



Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017.

**TABLE 1-4: HOUSEHOLDS IN THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR, 2010**

Households	2010	
	Number	%
Total Households	2,306	100.0%
Households with children	698	30.3%
Households without children	1,608	69.7%
Households with seniors 65+	593	25.7%
Households without seniors	1,713	74.3%

Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017.

According to Census information, personal income for St. Clair residents decreased by 15 percent between the years 2000 and 2010. The 2010 median household income was \$45,223. St. Clair County (6%) and the State of Michigan (8%) both experienced growths to their incomes, while St. Clair decreased.

Residents of St. Clair are employed in a range of occupation categories. The largest categories include management, professional, and related occupations, and employment related to sales and office.

## HOUSING AND BUILDING TRENDS

The number of housing units in St. Clair has increased from 2,454 in 2000 to 2,689 in 2010. While single-family homes are predominant accounting for 68 percent of the Houston stock, 20 percent of housing units are composed of apartments, and 11 percent are single-family attached or duplex units. The median house value for the City in 2010 was \$158,700, up from \$137,100 in 2000.

Although St. Clair has seen an increase in housing units since 2000, the majority of those units were built in the early 2000s. The population and number of households in St. Clair have decreased during the same time period. As Table 1-6 shows, there has been a decline in building permits issued since 2002 with only 10 permits issued since 2007.

## LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS

Land use patterns in existence today are largely the result of the early platting of St. Clair. The oldest section of St. Clair is bounded by the St. Clair River to the east and the Pine River to the south. The City generally developed north and south of this area. Settlement can be traced back to its desirable location on the St. Clair River, which was the means of transportation in and out of the City.

<b>TABLE 1-5: HOUSING UNITS IN THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR, 1990-2010</b>				
<b>Housing Type</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2010 ACS</b>	<b>Change 2000-2010</b>
Single-Family Detached	1,475	1,793	1,837	44
Duplex	148	105	155	50
Townhouse/Attached Condo	46	64	133	69
Multi-Unit Apartment	432	475	551	76
Mobile Home/Manufactured Housing	2	17	13	-4
Other	18	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,121</b>	<b>2,454</b>	<b>2,689</b>	<b>235</b>

Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017; US Census Bureau, American Fact Finder, 2017.

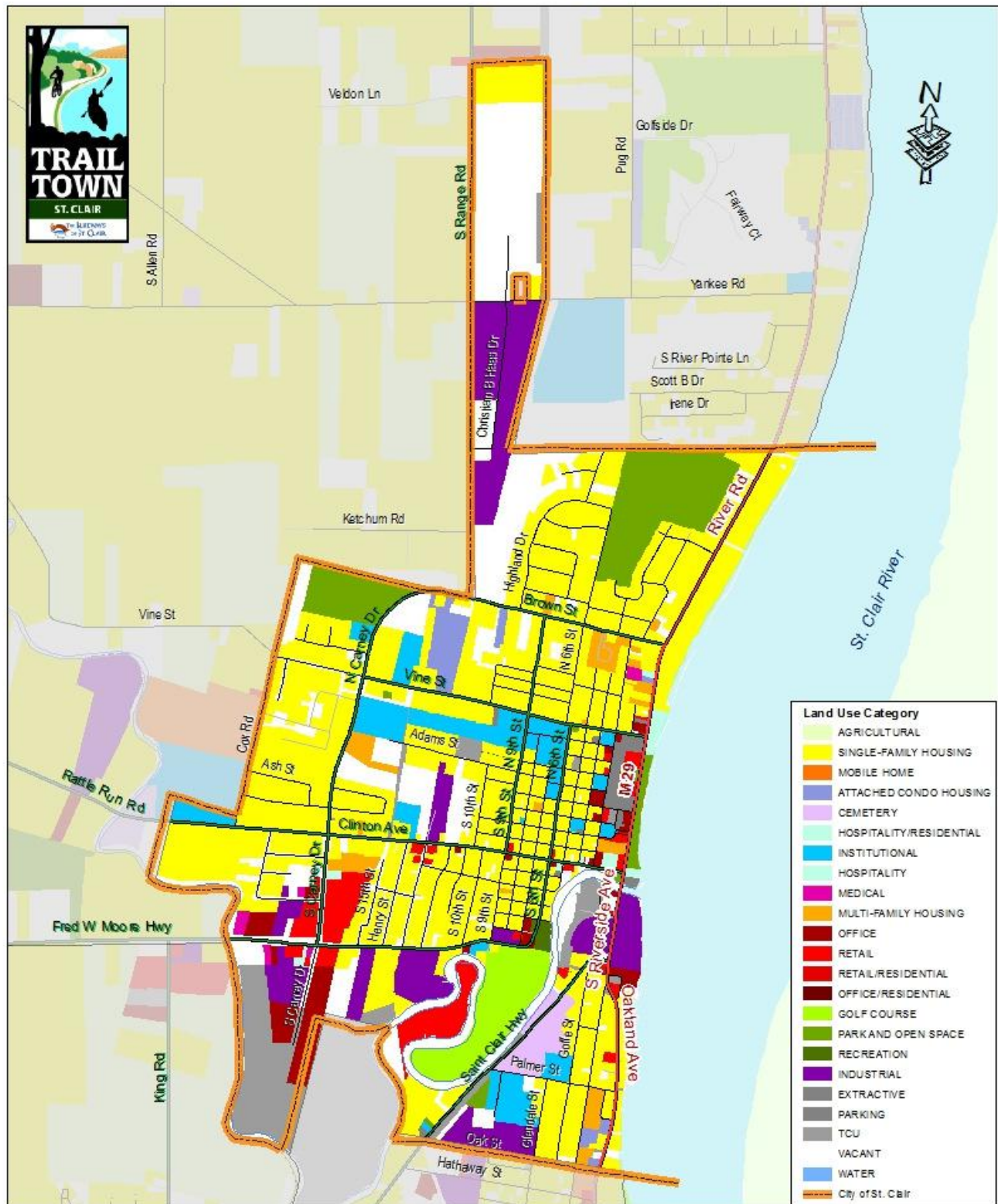
<b>TABLE 1-6: BUILDING PERMITS, CITY OF ST. CLAIR, 2000-2016</b>							
<b>Year</b>	<b>Single Family</b>	<b>Two Family</b>	<b>Attach Condo</b>	<b>Multi Family</b>	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>Total Demos</b>	<b>Net Total</b>
2000	7	0	0	0	7	1	6
2001	9	14	10	5	38	1	37
2002	4	4	33	0	41	2	39
2003	7	0	22	0	29	0	29
2004	19	0	0	0	19	1	18
2005	14	0	0	0	14	3	11
2006	4	0	0	0	4	1	3
2007	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2011	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
2012	2	0	0	0	2	0	2
2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2014	3	0	0	0	3	0	3
2015	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
2016	3	0	0	0	3	0	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>153</b>

Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017.

Today, the predominant land use in St. Clair is residential with single-family residential land uses at almost half of the City's land area at 50 percent. Multi-family homes make up another 2 percent. Industrial, commercial, and institutional land uses amount to 29 percent of the City's land area. Finally, cultural, outdoor recreation, and cemetery amount to 8 percent.

Recreation and parks are important catalysts for City growth. Combined with arts, culture, and preserving history, recreation programming, and quality parks are essential features that can attract new residents.

# Land Use



MAP 1-2

<b>TABLE 1-7: CITY OF ST. CLAIR 2010 LAND USE ACREAGE</b>		
	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Agricultural	2	0.1 %
Single-Family Residential	934	49.6 %
Multi-Family Residential	38	2.0 %
Commercial	125	6.7 %
Industrial	197	10.5 %
Government/Institutional	224	11.9 %
Park, Recreation, and Open Space	155	8.2 %
Transportation, Communication, and Utility	166	8.8 %
Water	41	2.2 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>

Source: SEMCOG Community Profiles, 2017.

## NATURAL FEATURES

The natural features of the City of St. Clair have played a major role in influencing and attracting growth and development in the area. Like much of Michigan's southern lower peninsula, the City's landscape was formed through glacial action. The glacier's movement shaped the topography and created many different types of soils. Plant communities, in turn, developed in response to soil conditions.

### TOPOGRAPHY

St. Clair is located in an area which is characterized by relatively flat to gently undulating topography. The County's land surface consists of a broad, clay-based glacial lake plain with several end moraines that are one to three miles wide and which have been reshaped by water and runoff. Elevations throughout the City range from approximately 580 feet to 605 feet above sea level. The highest natural point is located northwest of the City and the lowest area is located along the St. Clair River shoreline. The land is gently sloping from the northwest to the southeast.

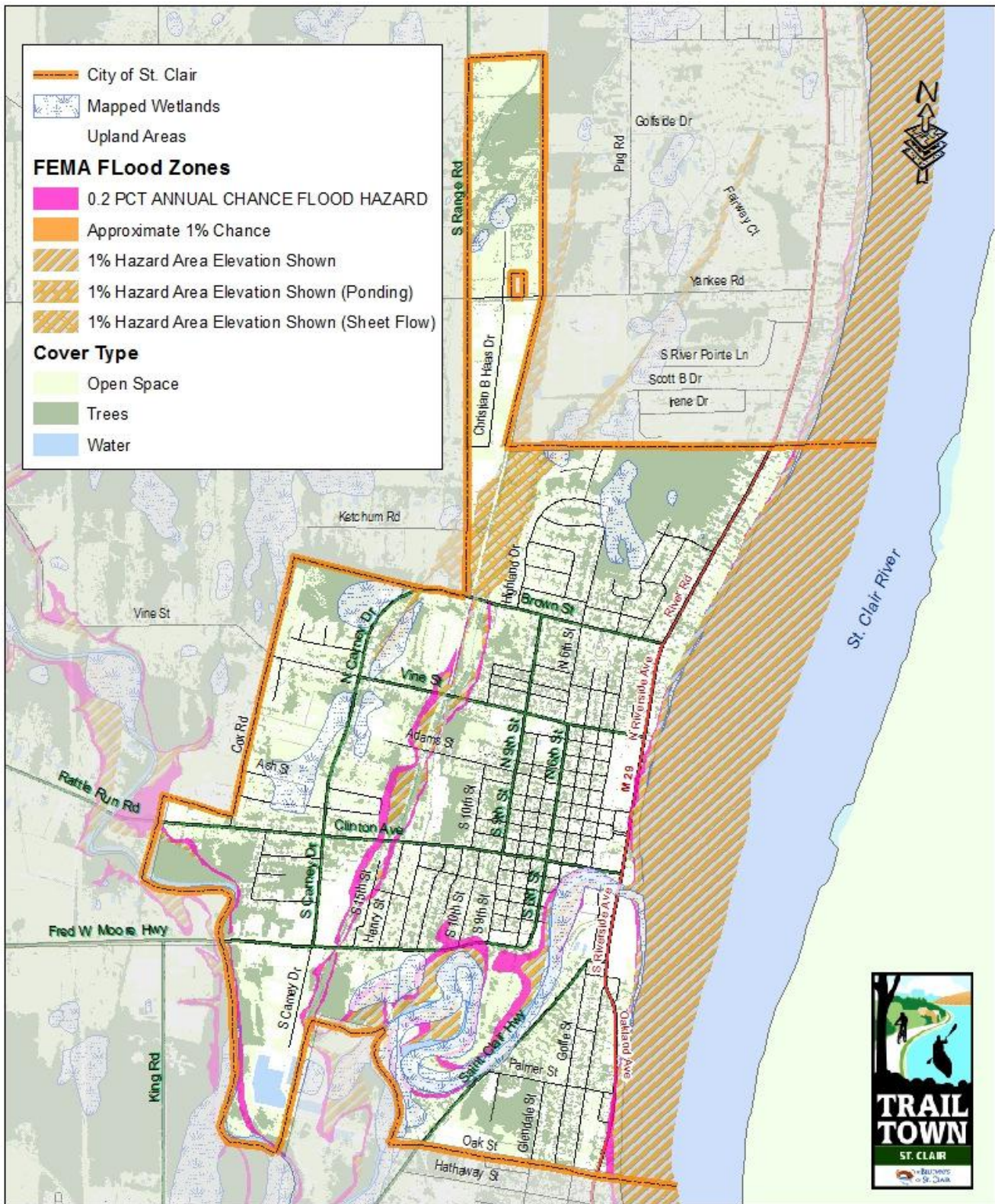
### SOILS AND VEGETATION

According to the U.S. Conservation Service, the soil types found in the City are composed of clays and loamy sand over clay which exhibit poor drainage. Old beach ridges and old dunes run parallel to the Lake Huron and the St. Clair River shores. Evidence of this type of terrain can be seen at Greig Park.

### WATER RESOURCES

The most important water feature of the community is the St. Clair River. It extends from Lake Huron to Lake St. Clair for a distance of 34.3 miles. The River provides fishing opportunities for anglers and a great location for sailboarders when the winds are strong. It is lined by some parkland and older buildings which provide a pleasant place for people to stroll and enjoy a close look at Great Lake freighters that pass along the waterway. The Pine River, a tributary of the St.

## Natural Features



Map Source: SEMCOG LiDAR Project,  
St. Clair County Master Plan

### MAP 1-3



Surface Type	Acres	Percent of city
Impervious Surface	545	28%
Tree Canopy	605	32%
Open Space	644	34%
Urban, bare earth	36	2%
Water	81	4%



**MAP 1-4**



Clair River, also runs through the City of St. Clair and includes the largest watershed, about 126,000 acres, of the County.

### **FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES**

Both the St. Clair and Pine Rivers are good fishing areas. They provide fishing opportunities for brown trout, lake trout, steelhead, salmon, smelt, walleye, perch, bass, pike, muskellunge, carp, catfish, and pan fish. These open waters and varied ecosystems support a wide variety of wildlife resources. Wildlife species in St. Clair County include whitetail deer, cottontail rabbit, fox squirrel, gray squirrel, raccoon, skunk, fox, coyote, beaver, muskrat, badger, opossum, pheasant, quail, ruffed grouse, crow, woodcock, wild turkey, and others. The Great Lakes Basin is also a major flyway for thousands of North American waterfowl and bird species. Bird watching is an extremely popular recreational activity in St. Clair County.

## **PLANNING INITIATIVES**

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While change is inevitable and growth in both population and development will occur, the City of St. Clair is committed to managing that growth to enhance recreation opportunities and overall quality of life for all residents. A number of planning initiatives related to parks and recreation have taken place in the City and the region that have relevance to the current plan. They include:

- ◆ St. Clair County Master Recreation Plan 2017-2021
- ◆ Regional Trails and Greenways
- ◆ M-29 Corridor Analysis
- ◆ Downtown Vision Plan
- ◆ City Pool Feasibility Studies

### **ST. CLAIR COUNTY MASTER RECREATION PLAN 2017-2021**

The County's Master Recreation Plan has identified several goals and objectives that relate to parks, trails, and recreation facilities and services in the City. They include:

- ◆ Continue to distribute 25 percent of the annual millage revenues to local units of government for planning, maintenance, and development of parks and recreation facilities and programs;
- ◆ Maintain grant programs for local units of government to assist in the acquisition of small parcels for waterfront preservation, skate parks, dog parks, trails, and canoe/kayak launches;
- ◆ Connect the Bridge to Bay Trail to the Macomb Orchard Trail along Gratiot Road as part of the statewide Great Lake to Lake Trail;
- ◆ Coordinate with local units of government to complete the Bridge to Bay Trail by providing technical assistance and funding support for the required local matching funds for acquisition and development grants;
- ◆ Work with transportation agencies to provide non-motorized access to trail, parks, and greenways consistent with the St. Clair County Non-Motorized Guidelines, the Regional Trails and Greenways Vision for St. Clair County and the Southeast Michigan Greenways Plan; and
- ◆ Continue to develop and promote the Blueways of St. Clair and partner with local units of government to provide additional canoe and kayak launches along the Blueways.



### **TRAILS AND GREENWAYS**

In the late 1990s, the seven-county region of southeast Michigan developed a Michigan Greenways Vision for the establishment of an interconnected system of greenways and trails. In 2006, this southeast Michigan vision was refined and updated to reflect the existing and desired greenway and trail connections in the region. This initiative was facilitated by the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan. Counties worked together with local municipalities and community interest groups to develop a long-term vision for an interconnected system of greenways and trails. Map 1-5 depicts the St. Clair County Trails and Routes Action Plan (TRAP) and identifies the regional framework in which the City of St. Clair belongs.

The vision for trails in St. Clair County includes the Bridge-to-Bay Trail, planned to extend from the Blue Water Bridge in Port Huron to Anchor Bay and Algonac through the City of St. Clair. The City's planned route follows Riverside Avenue, Carney Drive, and King Road, with other trail connections on Clinton Avenue/Rattle Run Road, Fred Moore Highway, and St. Clair Highway. Portions of the trail have been built and include the multi-use path along Carney Drive and Fred Moore Highway connecting to China Township through King Road. Plans to continue developing the Bridge-to-Bay Trail along the M-29 corridor between the north and south City limits have been initiated. The City also has built a pathway segment connecting to the Middle School.

St. Clair County also works at promoting the Blueways of St. Clair. The Pine River Paddle in the City is one of the identified routes. This Blueway extends from the St. Clair Municipal Marina to Turtle Beach, a picnic area located south of Fred Moore Highway on the BP property.

Locally, the City of St. Clair had formulated a bicycle plan in 1998 which recommended an interconnected network of bicycle routes and design treatments from separate multi-use pathways to bike and wide curb lanes.

### **CITY OF ST. CLAIR DOWNTOWN VISION PLAN**

Local initiatives have included a downtown development plan prepared by the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) in 2007. The plan includes several improvement projects affecting parks and recreation in St. Clair. Some of the priorities of the plan include beautification, walkability, and connectivity:



# Trails and Routes Action Plan Overview

## Executive Summary



- ◆ Realignment and improvement of Fred Moore Highway and Riverside Avenue;
- ◆ Addition of safe pedestrian crossings;
- ◆ Street tree plantings;
- ◆ Cohesive streetscape enhancement with uniform design elements – hanging baskets, banners, lights, paving;
- ◆ Riverview Plaza renovation; and
- ◆ Connections to the Pine River and the natural area on the Dome Petroleum Property.

### **M-29 CORRIDOR ANALYSIS**

In the fall of 2017, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) began working with an engineering consultant to study the M-29 corridor through the City of St. Clair to assess how the road functions, identify safety concerns, and identify a preferred alternative for enhancing pedestrian safety and mobility in connecting Palmer Park to the downtown plaza. These safety enhancements are more critical than ever as the iconic St. Clair Inn is being redeveloped into a mixed-use destination hotel. This study will look at a variety of treatments, including new pedestrian crossings, pedestrian-activated crossing lights, and restriping M-29 to convert it from four lanes to three lanes - also known as a “road diet.”

The M-29 corridor has been studied carefully in past years, including during the City’s Master Plan update in 2011 and a corridor study that was prepared in 2010, which called for a divided boulevard section with on-street parallel parking and eight-foot sidewalks along both sides of the street.

### **MUNICIPAL POOL FEASIBILITY STUDIES**

In 2006 and 2007, the City has explored the feasibility or replacing the existing City pool with an updated aquatic facility including enhanced features such as zero depth entry, waterslide, and other features. Scenarios were examined for renovating the existing pool, replacing and enhancing the pool at the same location, and a new aquatic facility which could be built at Greig Park. The studies included an examination of the target market, financial projections, and a potential development program with rough costs.



# CHAPTER 2

# ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE



## INTRODUCTION

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The St. Clair City Council is the governing elected body which has authority over all City operations including parks, recreation, municipal golf course, and the harbor.

In 1975, the Council created a Recreation Department and an Advisory Recreation Commission under the authority of P.A. 156 of 1917. In 2008, it was officially renamed by the City Council to the Parks and Recreation Commission. The Parks and Recreation Commission is a seven-person advisory group which is responsible for policy matters and physical development. It meets on a monthly basis.

## ADMINISTRATION

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The Recreation Department is responsible for the overall planning and management of the City's recreational services. The Recreation Director is responsible for the development, planning, and programming of parks and recreation facilities. The Director serves as the liaison between the Recreation Commission and City Council. The Director reports to the City Superintendent. Figure 2-1 shows the organizational chart for parks and recreational services in the City of St. Clair.

Park maintenance functions are carried out through the Parks Division of the Department of Public Services.

## FUNDING AND BUDGET

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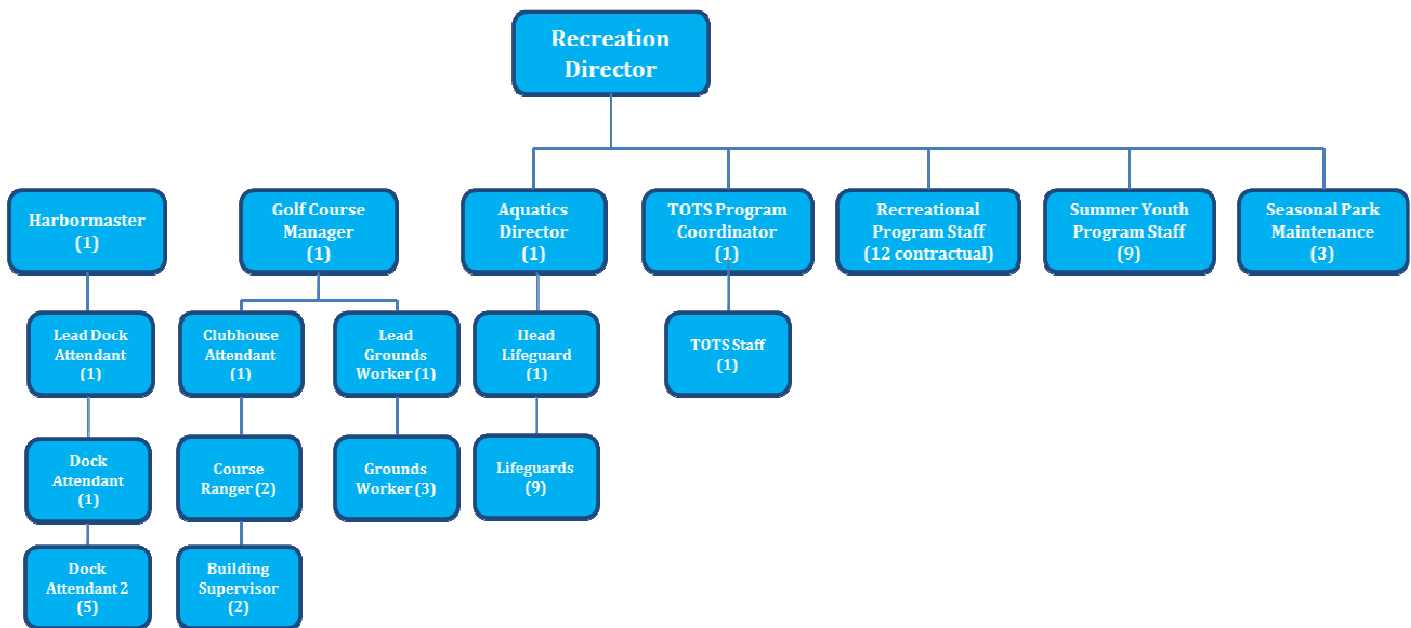
The Recreation Department is supported by the City's general fund and by user fees, grants, and donations. A summary of current year revenues and expenditures is presented in Table 2-1.

### St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Millage

The St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) has a countywide millage for parks and recreation in St. Clair County. PARC dedicates 75% of the millage revenues to parks and recreation facilities that serve a countywide audience. PARC distributes the remaining 25% of the County Parks and Recreation Millage revenues to local units of government to enhance or expand local parks and recreation programs and facilities. Since 1994, the amount of money distributed to local communities has totaled more than \$12.6 million. This distribution has had a positive impact on the delivery of local parks and recreation services in every community in St. Clair County. The amount of local distribution is based on the number of residents living in each municipality or township. From 1994 to 2016, a total of \$443,440.86 has been distributed to the City of St. Clair for parks and recreation activities.

In order to receive these funds, communities must submit an annual report and show evidence of "maintenance of effort" to assure the funding is used to expand opportunities rather than to supplant existing local funding. In effect, local units of government must document that they have maintained their local financial support for parks and recreation services at a level equal to or greater than the amount they spent prior to the 1994 millage election.

**FIGURE 2-1: PARKS AND RECREATION ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



**TABLE 2-1: CITY OF ST. CLAIR RECREATION BUDGET SUMMARY, 2017-2018**

<b>Revenues - Recreation</b>	
County Contribution	\$23,147
Recreation Class Fees	\$55,718
Swimming Pool Fees	\$18,633
Dance Recital Fees	\$1,719
Tots Program Fees	\$24,693
Community Center Rental	\$1,133
Pavilion Rental	\$560
Contributions – Private	\$3500
Contributions – Rec Concerts	\$10,000
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$139,102</b>
<b>Expenses – Recreation</b>	
Wages & benefits	\$111,690
Operating Supplies	\$6,242
Dance Recital	\$5,514
Contractual Services	\$35,713
Travel	\$500
Printing & Publishing	\$2,460
Education & Training	\$600
Membership & Dues	\$400
<b>Total Recreation</b>	<b>\$163,119</b>
<b>Expenses – Swimming Pool</b>	
Wages & Benefits	\$43,281
Operating Supplies	\$2,500
Contractual Services	\$1,000
Liability/Property Insurance	\$265
Public Utilities	\$5,564
Repair & Maintenance	\$6,252
<b>Total Swimming Pool</b>	<b>\$58,862</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$221,981</b>

## GRANT-ASSISTED PROJECTS

Since 1989, the City of St. Clair has been awarded five Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) grants. Grant funding from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) and the Land and Water Conservation Fund has been instrumental in developing recreation facilities on park properties. Table 2-2 presents a description of all MDNR grants received.

## VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERSHIPS

The City of St. Clair Recreation Department recognizes the importance of developing successful long-term and strategic relationships in the community. Current partnerships include: government agencies (townships, County, and State), area recreation departments, private and public schools, volunteers, service clubs, professional organizations (Michigan Recreation and Parks Association), community groups, and private businesses.

The East China School District athletic fields, game courts, and indoor facilities including the pool, gymnasiums, and classrooms are used for programming by the Recreation Department through a

**TABLE 2-2: MDNR GRANT ASSISTED PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR**

Grant Number	Description	Grant Amount	Current Use/Description
<b>2016 MNRTF TF-16-0154</b>	<b>Palmer Park:</b> Removal and replacement of the Palmer Park Boardwalk along the St. Clair River.	\$225,000	Work on removal and replacement of the Boardwalk will begin in 2018.
<b>2004 MNRTF TF04-168</b>	<b>Greig Park:</b> Property acquisition of 7-acre adjacent wooded property	\$100,000	The expanded parkland has been developed as a skate-bike park.
<b>1993 MNRTF 26-01544TF</b>	<b>Klecha Park:</b> Accessibility improvements; safety surface for playground/pavilion area, picnic tables, bathroom, parking, and handicap signage.	\$11,444	The park features developed with these funds are in good condition.
<b>1992 BF92-046</b>	<b>Greig Park:</b> Development of picnic pavilion with picnic tables, grills, sand volleyball, free play area, environmental kiosks, natural ice rink, and warming shelters.	\$386,720	The ice rink has been replaced with a roller hockey rink; the park features developed with these funds have been maintained in good condition.
<b>1989 BF89-190</b>	<b>Greig Park:</b> Development of a nature and fitness trail, cross-country ski trails, signage, and landscaping.	\$219,724	The park features developed with these funds have been maintained in good condition.

facility-use agreement in effect since 2005. The agreement allows the Recreation Department to use the facilities in coordination with the schools schedule of activities. Volunteer parent organizations run some of the youth sports. They include the American Youth Soccer organization (AYSO), St. Clair Little League, St. Clair Junior Football, and Blue Water Swim Club. These organizations use the facilities offered by the City and the schools.

Private businesses contribute to community, recreation, and special event programs through sponsorships and donations. Service clubs and community groups also play an active role in supporting parks and recreation. They include:

Civic Organizations:

- ◆ Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
- ◆ Beautification Committee

Local Service Clubs:

- ◆ Community Foundation of St. Clair County
- ◆ Lions Club
- ◆ Boy/Girl Scouts
- ◆ Rotary Club of St. Clair
- ◆ St. Clair Women's League
- ◆ St. Clair Chamber of Commerce
- ◆ St. Clair Art Association
- ◆ St. Clair Theatre Guild
- ◆ St. Clair County ARC
- ◆ St. Clair County Council on Aging
- ◆ St. Clair Garden Club



## ST. CLAIR BOAT HARBOR

The St. Clair Boat Harbor - located on the St. Clair River, at the mouth of the Pine River - is a 107-slip harbor and campground with electric, water, and a pump-out station. Boat slips are available to seasonal boaters as well as transients. There are 54 transient boat slips and 53 seasonal boat slips, as well as ten personal watercraft docks. The Harbor has floating wood docks and a staff of dock attendants to service boaters. The Harbor is open from April 1 through October 15. The fuel dock offers boaters gas, diesel, pump outs, and a limited supply of oil and other boating needs.

The Harbor also has an ADA-accessible canoe/kayak launch ramp, as well as canoe and kayak rentals onsite. There is also a daily launch ramp and fish cleaning station for anglers. The Harbor is a short walk to many local restaurants and shops. A free shuttle is also available to take people into downtown.

The Harbor features nine campsites with power and water, as well as four covered pavilions that are used for boater and community events. It also hosts many local events, such as the Special Olympics Polar Plunge, Marble Eye Fishing Contest, model boat races, Wertz Warriors, RiverFest Boat Races, and the Mardi Gras party for residents and boaters.

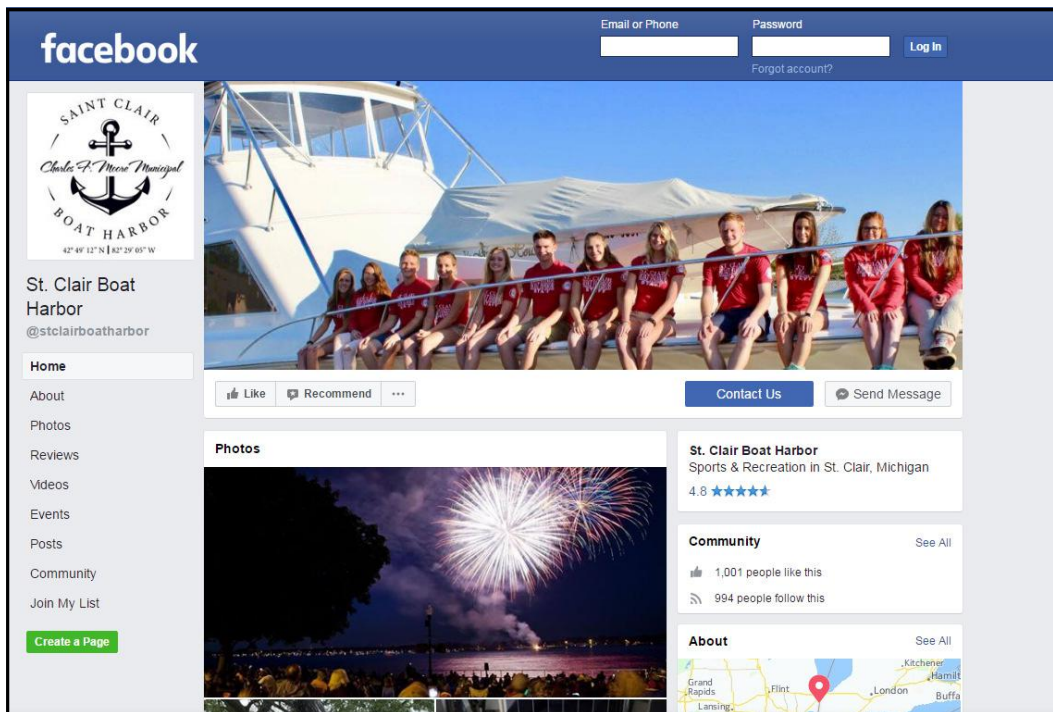
### Budget

Total operating revenue for 2016-2017 was \$597,913 and total operating expense was at \$685,657. For 2017-2018, the projected operating revenue is \$587,492 and the project operating expense is \$688,759.

### Dredging

Due to the high water levels, the St. Clair Boat Harbor has not dredged since 2011. The Harbor does have a dredge plan that supports obtaining grants or other funding that becomes available for harbor dredging or other safety improvements. This includes documentation that the dredge spoils will be deposited within a United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Confined Disposal Facility (CDF). Due to high water, it is not anticipated that dredging will be required in the near future.





### Marketing/Partnerships

The St. Clair Boat Harbor is marketed online via the city's website, along with a standalone website at <http://stclairboatharbor.com/>, which includes information on rates/fees, a calendar of events, information for visitors, and contact information. Additionally, the Boat Harbor is featured on its own page through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's Pure Michigan site, <http://www.michigan.org/property/st-clair-boat-harbor>.

The Harbor also has a standalone Facebook page with over 1,000 followers. The Facebook page includes event information, rate/fees, photos and videos, and other general information.

All of the Harbor's community functions are sponsored or partnered with a local business or community group, including Cargill, Foster Oil, River Credit Union, Happy Dog Yoga, Burger King, State Farm Insurance, Murphy Inn, Nieman's Family Markets, AAA, the River Crab, Grace Performance, Wertz Warriors, the Special Olympics, and SC Landscape and Irrigation.

### Annual Maintenance

Each year, approximately \$25,000 is budgeted for repair and maintenance. Each season varies as far as what needs are addressed. Examples include dock repair due to ice damage, seawall maintenance, driveway and boat launch sealcoating.

### Right-Sizing of Harbor

The St. Clair Boat Harbor meets the demand of the boating public. Seasonal wells fill up each year with a small number of boats on a wait list. Transient boaters find the Harbor is a popular destination that is full on weekends in June through September. There is typically a wait list for popular weekends such as RiverFest, the Art Fair, and holidays. Dockage is available throughout the weekdays and to boaters who use the MDNR Reservation system and reserve up to six months in advance. The Harbor is bordered by a private marina to the south and Biewer Lumber

to the east. Any expansion, if needed, would have to be on the west bank of the River by Pine Shores Golf Course.

#### ADA Accessibility

Most of the amenities at the Harbor are ADA-accessible including an ADA-accessible canoe/kayak launch, accessible restrooms, an accessible parking lot, and transportation that meets ADA requirements. The floating docks are accessible by ramps.

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# CHAPTER 3 RECREATION INVENTORY



## INTRODUCTION

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The residents of the City of St. Clair are able to take advantage of a variety of recreational resources at the regional, county, and local levels, as well as through privately-owned facilities. This chapter describes those resources

## LOCAL PARKS AND RECREATION

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### **CITY PARKS AND FACILITIES**

The City operates over 150 acres of parks, bicycle/walking paths, a community center,, a public outdoor pool, a municipal golf course, and a boat harbor. St. Clair includes four community parks: Greig, Klecha, Palmer, and Legacy parks. Greig Park, located on Carney Drive, includes both active and passive activities. Klecha Park, on the south part of the City, includes the former Little League ball fields. Palmer Park is a passive riverfront park on the St. Clair River. Legacy Park, on Fred Moore Highway, is the current home of the Little League ball fields and has access to the Pine River. Legacy Park has an additional 26 acres of undeveloped parkland. The City owns 1.7 acres of undeveloped parkland along the Pine River.

In addition to those amenities, the City owns and maintains three smaller pocket parks: Diamond Point, Patrick Sinclair, and Rotary Club Park, which include landscaped and seating areas. The City also maintains multi-use paths along Carney Drive, Fred Moore Highway, and a segment connection to St. Clair Middle School.

The Community Center includes a multi-purpose room used for senior and youth programs, and is available for public/private use. The Historical Museum, located on the upper floor, occupies most of the building for display and storage. An annex and customs house is also on-site. The outdoor pool provides swim lessons, competitive and synchronized team, open, and family swim for City residents during the summer. Year-round aquatic programs are offered by the Recreation Department at the school's indoor pool.

### Accessibility Evaluation

In accordance with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) Guidelines for Recreation Plans, an accessibility evaluation was completed for each park within the City. The evaluation was conducted by planners from the St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission.

Each City facility was compared to the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design and given a ranking from 1-5, where:

- 1=none of the site elements meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
- 2=some site elements meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
- 3=most site elements meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
- 4=all site elements meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, and
- 5=the facility meets the Principles of Universal Design

## Community Facilities



Map Source: St. Clair County Master Plan

### MAP 3-1

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# ***GREIG PARK***

***CARNEY DRIVE***



## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 36.5 ACRES
- ◆ "IMAGINATION STATION" PLAY STRUCTURE
- ◆ SAND VOLLEYBALL
- ◆ ROLLER HOCKEY RINK
- ◆ BASKETBALL COURTS
- ◆ PICNIC SHELTER
- ◆ PAVED PATHWAYS
- ◆ NATURE INTERPRETIVE TRAILS
- ◆ MODULAR SKATE-BIKE PARK
- ◆ BMX PUMP TRACK
- ◆ PORTABLE RESTROOM
- ◆ ARTWORK

**ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3**

# KLECHA PARK

***PALMER ROAD AT GOFFE STREET***



Photo Source: Bluewater.org

## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 4.9 ACRES
- ◆ 3 BALL FIELDS
- ◆ PLAYGROUND
- ◆ RESTROOMS
- ◆ PICNIC PAVILION
- ◆ PAVED PATHWAY

**ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3**



# PALMER PARK

M-29/RIVERSIDE AVENUE - DOWNTOWN



Photo Source: Bluewater.org



Photo Source: Bluewater.org

## HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ 5.9 ACRES
- ◆ WORLD'S LONGEST FRESHWATER BOARDWALK
- ◆ PAVED PATHWAY
- ◆ ART SCULPTURES
- ◆ SEATING AREAS
- ◆ FREIGHTER WATCHING
- ◆ DOWNTOWN ACCESS

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 4

# LEGACY PARK

3020 FRED MOORE HIGHWAY



## HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ 52 ACRES
- ◆ 9 BALL FIELDS
- ◆ 4 PICNIC SHELTERS
- ◆ CONCESSION/FIELDHOUSE
- ◆ PERMANENT RESTROOMS
- ◆ PINE RIVER ACCESS
- ◆ 26-ACRES UNDEVELOPED

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3



# ST. CLAIR BOAT HARBOR

902 S. SECOND STREET



## HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ 6 ACRES
- ◆ 120 BOAT SLIPS
- ◆ BOAT LAUNCH
- ◆ ADA-ACCESSIBLE CANOE/  
KAYAK LAUNCH
- ◆ CANOE/KAYAK RENTALS
- ◆ CAMPING
- ◆ FISH CLEANING STATION
- ◆ RESTROOMS
- ◆ PICNIC SHELTER
- ◆ WATER, ELECTRIC & PUMP  
OUT STATION

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3

# ***PINE SHORES GOLF COURSE*** *515 FRED MOORE HIGHWAY*



## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 51 ACRES
- ◆ NINE-HOLE GOLF COURSE
- ◆ CLUBHOUSE FACILITY

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3



# ***DIAMOND POINTE PARK*** OAKLAND AVE & S. RIVERSIDE



## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 0.7 ACRE
- ◆ LANDSCAPED AREA
- ◆ ART SCULPTURE

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 1

# PATRICK SINCLAIR PARK

29 CLINTON AVENUE



Photo Source: St. Clair Chamber of Commerce

## HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ 0.6 ACRE
- ◆ LANDSCAPED AREA
- ◆ WALKWAY
- ◆ ART SCULPTURES
- ◆ PICNIC TABLE
- ◆ SEATING AREAS

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 2



# ROTARY CENTENNIAL PARK

CLINTON AVENUE



## HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ 0.3 ACRE
- ◆ BOARDWALK
- ◆ BOAT MOORING ON PINE RIVER
- ◆ PINE RIVER ACCESS
- ◆ PICNIC TABLES & GRILLS
- ◆ ADA –ACCESSIBLE FISHING PIER
- ◆ ART SCULPTURES

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3

# ***PINE RIVER ACCESS***

***FRED MOORE & THE PINE RIVER***

## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 1.2 ACRES
- ◆ UNDEVELOPED
- ◆ PINE RIVER ACCESS

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 1



# ***PALMER/OAKLAND ACCESS***

***OAKLAND AVE AT PALMER RD***

## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 0.1 ACRE
- ◆ UNDEVELOPED
- ◆ ST. CLAIR RIVER ACCESS
- ◆ PARK BENCH
- ◆ FREIGHTER WATCHING

ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 1



# ***ST. CLAIR COMMUNITY CENTER AND HISTORICAL MUSEUM***

**308 S. 4TH STREET**



## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 0.12 ACRE
- ◆ MUSEUM
- ◆ HISTORICAL CUSTOMS BUILDING
- ◆ MUSEUM ANNEX
- ◆ MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
- ◆ KITCHEN
- ◆ MEETING ROOMS

**ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3**

# ***ST. CLAIR COMMUNITY POOL***

**715 ORCHARD STREET**



## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ 0.7 ACRES
- ◆ PUBLIC OUTDOOR POOL
- ◆ RESTROOMS

**ACCESSIBILITY RATING: 3**

**TABLE 3-1: CITY OF ST. CLAIR FACILITIES**

School	Acreage	Amenities
Greig Park	36.5	"Imagination Station" play structure, sand volleyball, roller hockey rink, basketball courts, picnic shelter, paved pathways, nature trails, skate-bike park, BMX pump track, portable restroom, artwork
Klecha Park	4.9	3 ball fields, playground, restrooms, picnic pavilion, paved pathway
Palmer Park	5.9	World's longest freshwater boardwalk, paved pathway, art sculptures, seating areas, freighter watching, downtown access
Legacy Park	52	9 ball fields, 4 picnic shelters, concession/fieldhouse, pine river access, permanent restroom facilities, 26 acres undeveloped
St. Clair Boat Harbor	6	120 boat slips, boat launch, ADA-accessible canoe/kayak launch, canoe/kayak rentals, fish cleaning station, restrooms, picnic shelter, camping, water/electric/pump out station
Pine Shores Golf Course	51	9 hole golf course, clubhouse facility
Diamond Point Park	0.7	Landscaped area, art sculpture
Patrick Sinclair Park	0.6	Landscaped area, walkway, art sculptures, picnic table, seating areas
Rotary Centennial Park	0.3	Boardwalk, boat mooring on Pine River, Pine River access, picnic tables and grills, ADA-accessible fishing pier, art sculptures
Pine River Access	1.2	Undeveloped, Pine River access
Palmer/Oakland Access	0.1	Undeveloped, St. Clair River access, park bench, freighter watching
St. Clair Community Center and Historical Museum	0.1	Museum, historical customs building, museum annex, multi-purpose room, kitchen, meeting rooms
St. Clair Community Pool	0.7	Public outdoor pool, restrooms

**ADJACENT TOWNSHIP PARKS****TABLE 3-2: CHINA TOWNSHIP**

Facility	Acreage	Amenities
Indian Trail Road Site	62	Playground, ballfields, soccer fields, restrooms
Neiman Park	3.5	Playground, ballfields, soccer fields, basketball courts, picnic areas, community center, horseshoe pits, restrooms
King Road/Belle River Site	14	Playground, river access, fishing access, trails, picnic areas, fire pit, restrooms
Recor Road Site	5.3	Undeveloped

**TABLE 3-3: EAST CHINA TOWNSHIP**

Facility	Acreage	Amenities
East China Park	81	Playground, ballfields, soccer fields, basketball courts, river access, fishing access, ice skating/inline skating, trails, tennis courts, pickle ball courts, picnic areas, dog park, restrooms, pavilions, freighter watching
River Park	0.2	Playground, river access, fishing access, picnic areas
Manor Park	1.6	Playgrounds
Springborn Park	0.2	River access, fishing access, picnic tables, ADA accessible, kayak launch
Township Hall Site	13	

**TABLE 3-4: ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP**

Facility	Acreage	Amenities
Fred Meiselbach Park	5	Playground, ballfields, basketball courts, river access, fishing access, picnic areas, pavilion, restrooms

**OTHER RECREATION FACILITIES****TABLE 3-5: SCHOOL FACILITIES**

School	Acreage	Amenities
Gearing Elementary	12	Playfields and gymnasium
St. Clair High School	40	2 ball fields, 1 softball field, 7 tennis courts, outdoor track and field, indoor pool, and 2 gyms
Riverview East High School	2.5	Playfield, weight room, auditorium, and gymnasium
St. Mary Catholic School	2.5	Basketball court and play equipment
Solis Field		1 football/soccer field
Theo V. Eddy Elementary School	10.5	Playfields, play equipment, and gymnasium
St. Clair Middle School	54.8	2 ball fields, 1 football/soccer field, 1 football practice field, 400 meter track, basketball hoops, seating, and 2 gymnasiums

**TABLE 3-6: PRIVATE RECREATION FACILITIES**

Facility	Acreage	Amenities
Alice W. Moore Woods Nature Sanctuary	66	Nature preserve with trails
Pine River Club Marina	-	19 boat slips, picnic tables, 2 kiosks
BP Nature Trails	165	Nature preserve with 3 miles of trails

**SCHOOL FACILITIES**

The East China School District includes a High School and Middle School located on the outskirts of the City. Two public elementary schools and other private or parochial schools are located within St. Clair. These schools provide recreation facilities for City residents and include playgrounds, athletic fields, open space, and indoor facilities for both students and residents.

**PRIVATE FACILITIES**

Private recreational facilities in St. Clair include a marina, a bowling alley, BP nature trails, and a Michigan Nature Association nature sanctuary.

## ADJACENT TOWNSHIP PARKS

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St. Clair Township includes a five-acre park with active and passive areas, as well as boat and fishing access.

Four parks are located in China Township: Indian Trail Road Park, which includes sports fields and nature trails; Administration Park, which includes a community center with sports fields and more; the King Road/Belle River park, which includes a new ADA-accessible canoe and kayak launch; and the Recor Road park.

East China Township has a total of six parks and recreation facilities. Four of these are neighborhood parks including fishing access, picnic areas, and play equipment. East China Park includes a large number of sports fields and other facilities, while the Township Administrative Building is the location for a variety of recreation programs. In addition, East China Stadium is a school-owned property where football programs take place.

## RECREATION PROGRAMMING IN THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR

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The City is one of the largest providers of recreation programs in St. Clair County. The Recreation Department offers outstanding youth and adult team and individual sports opportunities, as well as special events to City residents and non-residents. The following programs are offered by the St. Clair Recreation Department:

## Recreation Programs

- ◆ ABC Gymnastics
- ◆ Adult Tennis
- ◆ Adult Dance
- ◆ Adult Tap
- ◆ After School Rallyball (Indoor Tennis)
- ◆ Ballroom Dancing
- ◆ Casino Trips
- ◆ Co-Ed Volleyball
- ◆ Creative Tots
- ◆ Fitness Classes
- ◆ Golf Instruction
- ◆ Indoor Soccer
- ◆ Itty-Biddy Youth Basketball
- ◆ Lacrosse
- ◆ Learn to Play/Drop-in Bridge
- ◆ Men's Basketball
- ◆ Men's Basketball League
- ◆ Pi-Yoga
- ◆ Safety Town
- ◆ Senior Social Card Play
- ◆ Soccer Tots
- ◆ Summer Dance
- ◆ T-Ball Tots
- ◆ Tae Kwon Do
- ◆ Tiny Tots Play Group
- ◆ Travel-Bus Trips
- ◆ YAPS (Youth Activities for Summer)
- ◆ Youth Dance-Jazz/Ballet/Tap
- ◆ Youth Wrestling
- ◆ Youth Tennis
- ◆ Youth Theatre
- ◆ Zumba

## Special Events/Services

- ◆ Amusement Park Tickets
- ◆ Summer Outdoor Concert Series
- ◆ Family Outdoor Movies
- ◆ Kids Bike Parade
- ◆ Classic Car Show
- ◆ All-American Kids Fishing Derby
- ◆ Daddy-Daughter Valentine Dance
- ◆ Kids Garage Sale
- ◆ Mother-Son Bowling
- ◆ Cirque Amongus
- ◆ Skate-Bike Summer Jam & Fall Grind

## Aquatic Programs

- ◆ Lessons
- ◆ Competitive Swim Team
- ◆ Synchronized Swim Team
- ◆ Open Swim
- ◆ Adult Swim
- ◆ Lap Swim
- ◆ Swimmercise



Other community events are sponsored by the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), the Chamber of Commerce, Riverview Mall Association, and service groups. They include craft shows, 5K running races, the St. Clair Art Fair, farmers' market, fireworks, concerts at Riverview Plaza, and the offshore boat races.

City walking routes have been mapped out. They include the Pine River Trail, the Riverview Run, Joellyn's Stroll Around Town, the St. Clair Loop, and the Historical Home Walk.

## ST. CLAIR COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

St. Clair County currently owns eight properties devoted to parks and recreation activities that total 1,010 acres. These are:

◆ Goodells County Park	366 acres
◆ Columbus County Park	411 acres
◆ Fort Gratiot County Park	30 acres
◆ Woodsong County Park	33 acres
◆ Fort Gratiot Light Station	5 acres
◆ Wetlands County Park	5 acres
◆ Marine City Dredge Cut Access	.34 acre
◆ Wadhams to Avoca Trail	160 acres (12 miles long)

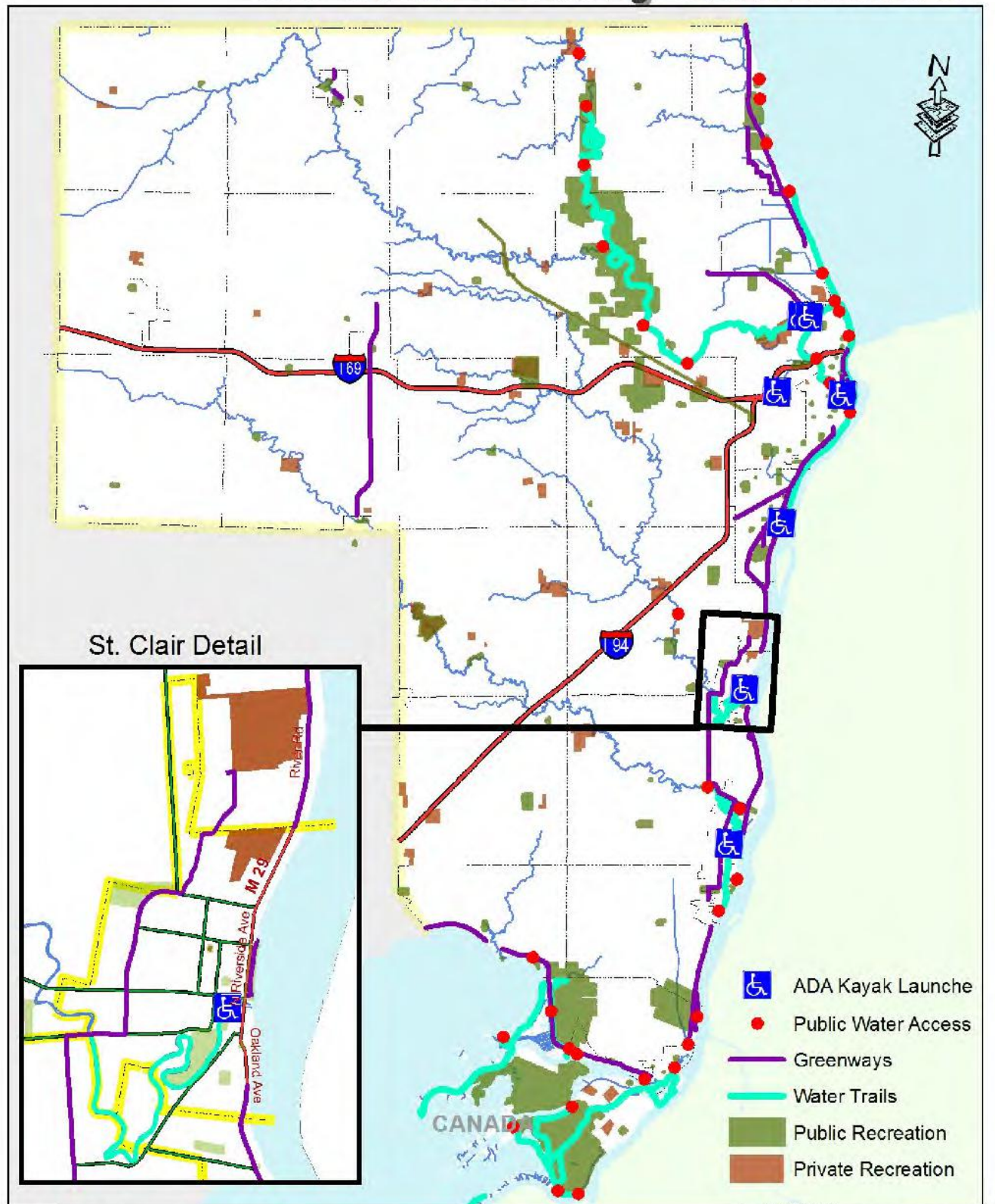
### GOODELLS COUNTY PARK

Facilities at the park include the Visitors Center, two playgrounds, river and fishing access, a seasonal ice skating rink, trails, four picnic shelters, a community center, historic buildings, a BMX track, a radio-controlled model airplane airfield and truck track, a butterfly garden, five special events buildings, the "Splashpad," equestrian facilities, and areas for outdoor events.

The "Splashpad" has 11 spray features that include two water cannons, five dumping buckets, ground geysers, and a rainbow water tunnel. The "Splashpad" is open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and admission is free. In February 2006, the County received a Facility Design Award



# St. Clair County Recreation



Map Source: St. Clair County Master Plan

MAP 3-2

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from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association (MRPA) for the Goodells County Park Splashpad. This award recognized the Splashpad as the first water play facility in the state that uses and recycles water that is supplied by a well rather than a municipal water system.

The Historic Village at Goodells County Park contains the Lynn Township Schoolhouse (1885), and the C.C Peck and Company bank (1908). Visitors will also see the Columbus Bible Church (1860), the Murphy/Ryan farmhouse (1872) and the Mudge Log Cabin (1863). The latest addition to the Historic Village is the Columbus Bible Church. The Church was moved to the park and restored, complete with its twelve-foot tall windows and spectacular bell tower.

### **COLUMBUS COUNTY PARK**

Through five separate transactions, the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) owns 411 acres of property in Columbus Township. PARC used a \$65,800 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) grant in 2016, to secure the final 26 acres. In 2007, PARC used a \$1.4 million MNRTF grant to secure 291 acres for the park.

Phase 1 construction at Columbus County Park was completed in early 2010. Phase 1 included constructing the main entrance on Bauman Road, a park roadway, a 100-car parking lot, erosion control and drainage improvements, underground utilities, a water well and development of a lighted sledding hill.

Other facilities at the park include mountain biking trails, walking trails, horse trails, fishing access, and permit-only hunting. The Belle River runs through the park, totaling 1.6 miles of frontage. A historic gambrel roof barn is located at Columbus County Park near Bauman Road and is used for maintenance and storage. The barn was restored by Columbus Township.

Construction of an energy efficient park Lodge with modern restroom facilities, a picnic pavilion, offices and storage rooms was completed in 2012. Activities at the park include picnics, weddings, educational programs, and meetings.

### **FORT GRATIOT COUNTY PARK**

Fort Gratiot County Park is located in the northeast part of St. Clair County, just off M-25 on Metcalf Road. This 30-acre park offers breathtaking views of Lake Huron and 852 feet of shoreline and beach. It also includes picnic areas, restrooms, a children's playground, and paved walking trails.

Fort Gratiot County Park is also home to the 1971 Tunnel Explosion Memorial which commemorates the construction accident that took the lives of 22 men working on the water intake tunnel located beneath the park. The 1971 Water Tunnel Explosion committee raised funds for the memorial which was erected in 2007. The Michigan Historic Commission dedicated a State Historical Marker at the site to mark the 40th anniversary of the tragedy.

Other improvements at the park include ADA-accessible restrooms and a playscape in 2007, as well as an overflow parking area in 2008. In early 2009, two picnic pavilions were completed and additional sections of boardwalk were installed on the beach.

### **WOODSONG COUNTY PARK**

On December 30, 2008, St. Clair County purchased the 33-acre Camp Woodsong site from the Michigan Waterways Council of the Girl Scouts of America. The property is located off of Abbottsford Road, at the east end of Rynn Road, in Clyde Township. St. Clair County purchased the property for \$400,000 using a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant. The western half of the property features existing buildings that include a garage, pavilion, two vault toilets and group camping areas. The eastern half of the property has scenic, steep slopes that travel down to 2,800 feet of Black River shoreline. The site also has a rustic parking lot, and an ADA trail and kayak launch on the Black River is planned for the future.

### **FORT GRATIOT LIGHT STATION**

The Fort Gratiot Light Station is the oldest lighthouse in Michigan. As the shipping needs on the Great Lakes increased in the 1820's, so did the need for a navigational aid at the mouth of the St. Clair River. In August of 1825 the first lighthouse in Michigan was built at Port Huron. The original tower was located near the base of the present day second span of the Blue Water Bridge. It was 32 feet high above ground level, 18 feet in diameter at the base, and tapered to nine feet across at the top.

The Coast Guard maintained the Fort Gratiot Light Station from the 1930's until they moved next door into the new station that was built in 2004. The property was officially transferred to St. Clair County in 2010. Restoration of the lighthouse was completed in 2013, and other property repairs and additions have been made using Michigan Coastal Zone Management Grant funding. The restoration of the tower was made possible by the "Save America's Treasures" grant program and a match from the City of Port Huron. The tower reopened for tours in the summer of 2012. The Port Huron Museum serves as a partner in leading tours of the site, programming, and private reservations. Friends of the Fort Gratiot Light Station raise funds for building restoration projects and provides volunteers.



### **BLUE WATER RIVER WALK AND WETLANDS COUNTY PARK**

The Blue Water River Walk is almost one mile long and runs along the St. Clair River shoreline immediately south of the mouth of the Black River in Port Huron. It is less than a mile downriver from the Blue Water Bridge to Sarnia and the southern end of Lake Huron. Owned by the Community Foundation of St. Clair County, the Blue Water River Walk is open to the public year-round. The river walk features an observation deck, a pedestrian trail, an outdoor classroom, shoreline and habitat restoration, a fishing pier and public art.

The St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission purchased 4.85 acres of land using two MNRTF grants and received a \$1,039,500 grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to develop a 2.75-acre wetland on the very southern end of the river walk.

### **PINE RIVER NATURE CENTER**

The St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency's Pine River Nature Center is an educational facility whose mission is to promote the awareness, understanding and stewardship of the Blue Water Area's natural and cultural heritage. The center provides programs for local schools to enhance their science and mathematics curricula with outdoor-based field studies correlated with the Michigan Curriculum Framework and offers outdoor recreation and environmental education opportunities for area residents.

The Pine River Nature Center opened to the public in the May of 2003. The Nature Center sits on 111 acres of property, with over 4,800 feet of the Pine River meandering through it. Since opening, over 21,900 students from around St. Clair County have visited the center for programs. Activities and events at the center include the following:

- ◆ Opportunities to hike over two miles of trails (open daily from dawn to dark).
- ◆ Browse the indoor displays and live animals.
- ◆ Read about nature or do research in the library.
- ◆ Attend public programs, including star gazing parties and nature walks.
- ◆ Volunteer to help with special events and school programs.
- ◆ Adopt-a-Trail.
- ◆ Visit the universally-accessible (ADA) tree house.

## **STATE OF MICHIGAN RECREATION FACILITIES**

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The State of Michigan owns and manages 22,178 acres of resource-based facilities in St. Clair County, including Algonac State Park, Lakeport State Park, the Port Huron State Game Area, the St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Refuge, the St. John's Marsh Recreation Area, and a mini-game area in St. Clair Township. See Table 3-7.

## **GREENWAYS AND TRAILS**

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Greenways are corridors of land recognized for their ability to connect people and places together. According to the EPA, greenways promote outdoor recreation, catalyze economic development, increase adjacent property values, celebrate historical and cultural assets, promote conservation and environmental education and improve quality of life.

**TABLE 3-7: STATE OF MICHIGAN RECREATION FACILITIES**

Facility	Acreage	Amenities
Algonac State Park	1,450	Cottrellville & Clay Townships
Lakeport State Park	1,215	Burtchville Township
Port Huron State Game Area	6,627	Grant, Clyde, & Kimball Townships
St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area	10,300	Clay Township
St. Johns Marsh Recreation Area	2,477	Clay & Ira Townships
Mini Game Area	109	St. Clair Township

Greenways have multiple purposes, but from a recreation perspective they have two major functions:

1. To link and facilitate hiking and biking access between residential areas and parks.
2. To provide opportunities for the linear forms of outdoor recreation (i.e. hiking, jogging, bicycling, equestrian riding, and walking) in which many St. Clair County residents engage today. These recreation activities require the development of trails along the greenways.

There are two primary trail systems within St. Clair County: the Wadhams to Avoca Trail and the Bridge to Bay Trail.

#### **WADHAMS TO AVOCA TRAIL**

In 1999, St. Clair County PARC purchased the surface rights to 9.82 miles (100 acres) of right-of-way from CSX Railroad and began developing it as the Wadhams to Avoca Trail. In 2001 and 2004, PARC purchased two additional properties totaling 17.65 acres adjacent to the trail north of Imlay City Road for a trailhead and parking. In 2003, PARC purchased the surface rights to an additional two and a half miles of CSX Railroad right-of-way totaling 17.66 acres from Wadhams Road to Griswold Road. The trail is over 12.4 miles long and contains 160 acres.

To date, the 640-foot Mill Creek Trestle has been decked and railed for pedestrians and bike riders. Three acres of land southeast of the Trestle was purchased to create a horse crossing at Mill Creek.

At the south end of the trail in Kimball Township, over five miles of trail have been paved starting at McLain Road running southeast to Griswold Road. The paved section of the trail passes through a developing residential area and is heavily used by residents.

In a joint effort with the St. Clair County Road Commission, a hybrid pedestrian signal was installed in 2010 where the trail crosses Wadhams Road. It was the first time this type of signal has been used for a trail crossing in Michigan. The signal prompts flashing lights to stop traffic when a pedestrian wishes to cross the road.

Designated parking areas are located at the Wadhams Road, Imlay City Road, Lapeer Road and Avoca Road trailheads. The non-motorized trail is open to walkers, bicyclists and equestrians.

### **BRIDGE TO BAY TRAIL**

The St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission is working in conjunction with 13 local units of government to develop a 54-mile paved trail from Lakeport State Park to New Baltimore. St. Clair County helps to plan and promote the trail while each local unit of government is responsible for constructing their section of the trail. Even though PARC plays an instrumental coordinating role in the development of the Bridge to Bay Trail, the property that makes up that trail is owned by various municipalities and townships. Most trail construction projects are funded by grants. PARC usually helps to fund the local match required for trail construction grants.

The Bridge to Bay Trail extends from St. Clair County's northern border; under the Blue Water Bridge; through Port Huron, Marysville, St. Clair, Marine City, and Algonac; and past state and municipal parks, museums, gazebos, and lighthouses. Sometimes the trail is within reach of the water's edge and sometimes a few miles inland. It connects communities together for walkers, joggers, strollers, and bicyclists of all ages. The trail varies from a ten-foot wide separated paved pathway in the right of way along a road, or a five-foot wide dedicated bike lane.

The trail can potentially link to the Wadhams to Avoca Trail within St. Clair County, the Discover Michigan Trail, the Macomb Orchard Trail, and the St. Clair Parkway Trail in Lambton, Ontario, Canada via ferry. As of 2017, roughly 25 miles of the 54-mile Bridge to Bay Trail is complete.

Funding for the Bridge to Bay Trail comes from the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Millage, local government funds, and grants. Grant money for the trail has been provided by the United States government through federal transportation grants, and by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), and the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF).

### **U.S. BIKE ROUTE 20**

US Bike Route 20 is an established bicycle route in Michigan from the Marine City/Sombra Ferry, where it connects to the Trans-Canada Trail via local trails, to Ludington, Michigan, where the route continues across the car ferry S. S. Badger to Manitowoc, Wisconsin. The Michigan segment operates on bicycle paths, county roads and state roads, favoring paved roads that have either low to moderate traffic or paved shoulders. Bicyclists on the route will encounter historic small towns like Marine City and Vassar, the old-world Bavarian charm of Frankenmuth, and the Manistee National Forest.

At present, US Bike Route 20 follows the Bridge to Bay Trail along Carney Drive in the City of St. Clair. The City is currently waiting for the results of an MDOT Pedestrian Study to pursue an alternate route to include downtown St. Clair.





## THE BLUEWAYS OF ST. CLAIR

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In 2009, the St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC), in partnership with PARC, applied for and was granted a Michigan Coastal Zone Management Grant to create a 'Blueways vision' website for the shoreline of St. Clair County.

Research began in 2009 to find all the public access points along waterways in the County. Next, public input was gathered for popular paddling routes and put-ins. The website was built up with paddling routes, access pictures, information on restaurants, motels, museums and other points of interest. One will find information on the major rivers in the County, including the Black River, Belle River, Pine River, Lake Huron, St. Clair River, and the St. Clair River delta, which is the largest freshwater delta in North America.

The Blueways website lists 17 different paddling routes, totaling 151 miles, in nine unique bodies of water and lots of valuable information related to paddling and shoreline recreation. The website is very dynamic, with driving directions between favorite points, aerial imagery maps, weather report links, and a "Birds Along the Blueway" section for birding enthusiasts. Check out St. Clair County's Blueways website at [www.BluewaysOfStClair.org](http://www.BluewaysOfStClair.org).

### **ISLAND LOOP NATIONAL WATER TRAIL**

The 10.2-mile Island Loop National Water Trail was the first national water trail to be designated in Michigan and the 14th in the United States. The trail makes a loop from the Black River, to the Black River Canal, to Lake Huron, into the St. Clair River and back to the Black River. It also passes the oldest lighthouse in Michigan, the Thomas Edison Museum, the Huron Lightship Museum, and the Acheson Maritime Center. It also navigates between the United States and Canada for 2.5 miles and meanders through Fort Gratiot Township, Port Huron Township, and the City of Port Huron.



[www.BluewaysOfStClair.org](http://www.BluewaysOfStClair.org)

The Island Loop  
National Water Trail



ADA Kayak/Canoe Launch

Public Land

Water Access Points

#### Water Trails

- 1, THE ISLAND LOOP ROUTE
- 2, THE NORMAN BRIDGE PADDLE
- 3, THE BLACK RIVER EXPERIENCE
- 4, BLACK RIVER URBAN PADDLE
- 5, THE FORT GRATIOT SOJOURN
- 6, THE WADHAMS BRIDGE RUN
- 7, BLUE WATER BRIDGE EXCURSION
- 8, LAKE HURON PADDLE
- 9, PINE RIVER PADDLE
- 10, BELLE RIVER ROUTE
- 11, ST JOHNS MARSH EXPLORER
- 12, BEAUBIEN CREEK ROUTE
- 13, THE BOUVIER BAY JOURNEY
- 14, RUSSELL ISLAND LOOP
- 15, THE SNY LOOP
- 16, MUSCAMOOT BAY TO GULL ISLAND
- 17, KRISPIN BLUEWAY

MAP 3-4

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# CHAPTER 4

## PUBLIC INPUT & PLANNING PROCESS



## THE PLANNING PROCESS

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The success of any planning process is reliant upon stakeholder involvement. The City of St. Clair has committed itself to pursue a proactive public outreach effort throughout the development of this plan. Efforts focused on soliciting community involvement to maximize awareness of the recreation planning process.

### **2018-2022 PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN DEVELOPMENT**

The process that led to the development of this five-year Parks and Recreation Plan included:

- ◆ A decision by the St. Clair Recreation Commission to update the City's five-year recreation plan.
- ◆ Contracting the services of the St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission to manage the project and complete the update.
- ◆ A review of existing City planning documents by the St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission.
- ◆ An online leadership survey distributed to members of the St. Clair City Council, Planning Commission, and other key stakeholders in City administration.
- ◆ Formation of a project steering committee to help guide the direction of the planning process.
- ◆ A steering committee kickoff meeting on March 16, 2017 to discuss the results of the local leadership survey and identify next steps.
- ◆ An online communitywide survey that ran from June through September 2017, garnering 226 responses.
- ◆ A steering committee meeting held on October 24, 2017 to discuss goals and objectives.
- ◆ Drafting of the Parks and Recreation Plan.
- ◆ A presentation of the Parks and Recreation Plan to the City Council on January 15, 2018.
- ◆ Review of the Parks and Recreation Plan document by the Recreation Commission and the City Council.
- ◆ A 30-day public review and comment period that began on January 17, 2018 and ended on February 17, 2018. The 30-day public review and comment period is required by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in order for a community to be in compliance for grant applications.
- ◆ A public hearing held on February 19, 2018 to receive additional citizen comments.
- ◆ Adoption of the Parks and Recreation Plan by the St. Clair City Council at its February 19, 2018 meeting.
- ◆ Transmission of the 2018-2022 Parks and Recreation Plan to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR).
- ◆ Transmission of the adopted Parks and Recreation Plan to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

## OVERVIEW OF PUBLIC INPUT

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Input from citizens and local leaders was essential for the development of the Parks and Recreation Plan for St. Clair.

### LOCAL LEADERSHIP SURVEY

At the start of this planning process in 2017, members of the City Council, Planning Commission, City Administration, and other members of City boards and commissions were given an online survey to establish a framework on the key planning issues related to the update of the City's Parks and Recreation Plan. A summary of input from the leadership surveys can be found below.

#### Summary of input on parks and recreation issues from February 2017 Leadership Survey

- ◆ Renovating/updating the community pool.
- ◆ Adding a splash park at an appropriate location.
- ◆ Explore options for a dog park in town.
- ◆ Develop Klecha Park into an all around park for the community.
- ◆ Renovate the boardwalk in Palmer Park.
- ◆ Renovate current park playgrounds.
- ◆ Develop Legacy Park beyond the Little League ball fields.
- ◆ Identify a permanent home for pickleball.
- ◆ Repave and stripe the parking lot at the Boat Harbor.
- ◆ Update restrooms at all facilities.
- ◆ Develop more programs and activities for our teens and younger children.
- ◆ Look for ways to hold more movies and concerts in the park or plaza.
- ◆ Increase marketing and promotion of all parks and programs.
- ◆ Update and refresh existing amenities at City parks.
- ◆ Increase canoe and kayak rentals at the Boat Harbor.

#### Summary of what Local Leaders like best about parks and recreation in St. Clair

- ◆ Access to the St. Clair River and Pine River.
- ◆ Having a community pool.
- ◆ The Boat Harbor.
- ◆ Palmer Park and the boardwalk downtown.
- ◆ The variety of parks - some are active and others are not.
- ◆ The City offers a diverse array of quality recreation programs.
- ◆ Biking/walking paths.
- ◆ Proximity to residential areas.
- ◆ The parks are clean and well-maintained.

#### Summary of what Local Leaders like least about parks and recreation in St. Clair

- ◆ The boardwalk is falling apart.
- ◆ The community pool needs to be rebuilt.
- ◆ "Imagination Station" needs repairs.
- ◆ Non-existent pocket parks in between the riverfront and Carney Drive.
- ◆ Dead trees in the City parks need to be removed.

- ◆ Portable restrooms should be replaced.
- ◆ Not enough indoor space to provide year-round activities.

### **COMMUNITY SURVEY**

From June 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017, a community input survey was available online for residents and other stakeholders to provide input on specific questions, as well as ideas and suggestions on open-ended questions. The community survey garnered 226 individual responses and provided the planning team with a great deal of feedback on parks and recreation issues in the City of St. Clair. In total, 75% of the respondents were St. Clair residents and the other 25% lived outside of the City - predominantly in St. Clair Township, China Township, and East China Township.

Roughly 36% of respondents indicated they visited a City park a few times each week, and another 21% said they visit once a week. Over 67% said they were very satisfied or satisfied with the recreational programming offered by the City. Nearly 64% indicated the City should offer additional programming.

#### *Community Survey: Summary of input regarding Greig Park*

- ◆ Add a splash pad/water park like Algonac and Marysville.
- ◆ More permanent, real restrooms.
- ◆ Update the outdated play structure/maintain curb appeal.
- ◆ Need more play options for 5-10 year olds. Seems geared toward 3-5 year olds.
- ◆ "No events happen there...it's like the City itself is afraid to touch it."
- ◆ Update and check safety measures.
- ◆ Clean up back woods and deal with dead trees.
- ◆ Make ice rink suitable for ice hockey.
- ◆ Consider disc golf and mountain bike trails.
- ◆ Nature trail more accessible for strollers.
- ◆ Add more seating/benches.

#### *Community Survey: Summary of input regarding Legacy Park*

- ◆ Add a playground/play structure.
- ◆ Legacy Park needs a bike path to the facility for better access.
- ◆ Sidewalks to each field.
- ◆ Add a splash pad.
- ◆ Need more seating and picnic tables.
- ◆ Pave parking and driveway. Improve ingress/egress.
- ◆ Add lighting for parking lot and ball fields.
- ◆ Is there room for disc golf around the ball fields?
- ◆ River access/kayak launch.

#### *Community Survey: Summary of input regarding Klecha Park*

- ◆ Updated play structure. Upgraded picnic and play area.
- ◆ Develop a splash pad/possible new City pool location.
- ◆ Add a dog park.
- ◆ Add a market/music venue - an amphitheater or outdoor stage.

- ◆ Add tennis courts/badminton/multi-use courts.
- ◆ Walking trail along the Pine River/hiking trails.

Community Survey: Summary of input regarding the Boat Harbor

- ◆ Make Boat Harbor more “citizen friendly,” not just boaters.
- ◆ Add more rentals (kayaks, canoes, bikes, paddle boats).
- ◆ Nicer/cleaner bathrooms.
- ◆ More community events
- ◆ Invite food trucks and vendors.
- ◆ Upgrade/expand the camping area.
- ◆ More launch spots.
- ◆ Add a playground for families with kids.
- ◆ Interactive business kiosk directing foot traffic to local businesses.

Community Survey: Summary of input regarding Golf Course

- ◆ Food trucks and vendors.
- ◆ Food options/restaurant/weekly BBQ events/lunch counter.
- ◆ Resident rates/discount.
- ◆ Offer golf lessons. Have children’s days to introduce kids to game.
- ◆ Junior golf memberships and lessons.

Community Survey: Summary of input regarding Community Pool

- ◆ Year-round aquatics center.
- ◆ Larger pool area with grass/trees and better amenities.
- ◆ Pool is not family friendly.
- ◆ Community recreation center like Macomb Township - courts, gym, pool, etc.
- ◆ Pool and splash pad in same location.
- ◆ “I had no idea we have a community pool.”
- ◆ Relocate pool to Klecha Park and include a splash pad.
- ◆ Lack of shade in current location.
- ◆ Splash pad would be better fit at Greig Park or Palmer Park than at current location.
- ◆ Whether existing pool is upgraded or a new pool is built elsewhere - the City needs to have a community pool.

Community Survey: Summary of other comments and suggestions

- ◆ Importance of pool and strong desire for a splash pad.
- ◆ Focus on improving existing parks instead of new parks.
- ◆ Freshen up existing parks, they look tired and worn.
- ◆ Expand the pool season and expand programming hours.
- ◆ More activities by the boardwalk at Palmer Park.
- ◆ Better marketing, increased use of social media, and enhanced website.
- ◆ Desire for indoor, multi-purpose facility.

## NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND FACILITY COMPARISON

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An essential task in the recreation planning process is to determine the needs of the community as a basis for an action plan. This task can be accomplished not only by asking people what they desire, but also by comparing the City to established recreation standards based on the size of the community and its service area. In addition, the Recreation Commission can simply make observations of what is needed to improve the community's park system.

### **PARK ACREAGE AND FACILITY COMPARISON**

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) recommends a minimum amount of park land and park facilities to adequately serve a given population size. The purpose of the NRPA guidelines is to provide minimum park land and facility development standards that are applicable nationwide for recreation planning purposes. While the NRPA standards are a helpful guide in determining minimum needed park acreage and facility, it should not be interpreted to be the only measure of whether the City's needs are being met. A parks and recreation system should be tailored to meet the needs of the community.

According to the NRPA, parks are categorized as mini-parks, neighborhood parks, community parks, and regional parks. The mini, neighborhood, and community parks are the close-to-home parks, designed to satisfy the recreational needs of local communities. All the City parks are considered close-to-home parks. According to NRPA standards, the suggested amount of close-to-home parkland is 6.25 to 10.5 acres for every 1,000 residents.

Regional parks serve a broader area (about one hour drive or 40-mile radius) and focus on meeting the recreation needs of the region as well as preserving unique areas. For the City of St. Clair, regional parks include the state and county-owned parks and recreation areas described in the preceding chapter. The NRPA also recognizes other types of parks such as special use facilities, schoolyards, and private recreation facilities, which can contribute to the local parks and recreation system. This would include the municipal harbor and golf course as well as the public school and private recreation facilities in St. Clair.

Table 4-1 presents a comparison of the NRPA suggested park land standards with existing area parks based on a combined population of about 20,000 which includes the City of St. Clair and the adjoining townships of St. Clair, China, and East China. According to these standards, the area currently meets the needs for total local "close to home" and regional park land both at the City and the area levels.

Table 4-2 presents a comparison of the City's park facility standards against some of NRPA's suggested park facility standards. Using these standards, the area generally appears to meet and exceed most of the suggested minimum standard for recreation facilities.

## RECREATION TRENDS: 2017 TOPLINE REPORT

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Recreation trends provide insight into activities that show the greatest growth in popularity and may affect the future direction of parks and recreation. The Outdoor Foundation publishes the

**TABLE 4-1: COMPARISON TO SUGGESTED PARKLAND ACREAGE STANDARDS**

Type of Park	NRPA Standard Acres/1,000 Population	Acreage per NRPA Standard Based on 20,000 Population	Existing
Close to Home City Townships <b>Total</b>	6.25 to 10.5 acres	130 to 218 acres	159 acres 186 acres <b>352 acres</b>
<b>Regional Parks</b>	15 to 20 acres	312 to 415 acres	35,198 acres
<b>Public Schools</b>	-	-	122 acres
<b>Linear Parks</b>	-	-	1.8 miles
<b>Special Use Facilities: Boat Harbor &amp; Golf Course</b>	-	-	58 acres
<b>Conservancy Sites: Alice Woods</b>	-	-	66 acres

**TABLE 4-2: COMPARISON TO SUGGESTED FACILITY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS**

Activity/ Facility	NRPA Standard Unit/Population	# per NRPA Standard	City	School	Townships	Total
Swimming Pool (Outdoor)	1/20,000	1	1	-	-	1
Swimming Pool (Indoor)	None	N/A	-	1	-	1
Baseball Fields	1/5,000	4	11	4	7	22
Softball Fields	1/5,000	4	-	1	-	1
Soccer Fields	1/10,000	2	-	2	12	14
Football Fields	1/20,000	1	-	3	1	4
Roller Hockey Rink	-	-	1	-	-	1
Tennis Courts	1/2,000	10	-	7	-	7
Basketball Courts	1/5,000	4	1	2	3	6
Volleyball Courts	1/5,000	4	1	-	-	1
1/4 Mile Track	1/20,000	4		2	-	2
Golf Course	1/50,000	1	1	-	-	1

*Outdoor Recreation Participation Topline Report* each year to provide a snapshot of American participation in outdoor activities, with a focus on youth and young adults. The report is based on an online survey of 24,134 Americans ages six and older. The following graphics summarize key findings from the report.

## 2017 OUTDOOR FOUNDATION TOPLINE REPORT SUMMARY: RECREATION TRENDS

### **Most Popular Adult Outdoor Activities** *By Participation Rate, Ages 25+*

1. Running, Jogging and Trail Running  
14.8% of adults, 32.0 million participants
2. Fishing (Fresh, Salt and Fly)  
14.6% of adults, 31.5 million participants
3. Hiking  
13.7% of adults, 29.7 million participants
4. Bicycling (Road, Mountain and BMX)  
12.8% of adults, 27.7 million participants
5. Camping (Car, Backyard, Backpacking and RV)  
11.7% of adults, 25.2 million participants

### **Favorite Adult Outdoor Activities** *By Frequency of Participation, Ages 25+*

1. Running, Jogging and Trail Running  
81.0 average outings per runner,  
2.6 billion total outings
2. Bicycling (Road, Mountain and BMX)  
76.0 average outings per cyclist,  
1.4 billion total outings
3. Fishing  
40.1 average outings per fishing participant,  
627.9 million total outings
3. Hiking  
98.2 average outings per hiker,  
445.3 million total outings
4. Wildlife Viewing  
25.2 average outings per wildlife viewer,  
384.6 million total outings

### **Most Popular Youth Outdoor Activities** *By Participation Rate, Ages 6 to 24*

1. Running, Jogging and Trail Running  
25.3% of youth, 20.3 million participants
2. Bicycling (Road, Mountain and BMX)  
22.6% of youth, 18.2 million participants
3. Fishing (Fresh, Salt and Fly)  
19.5% of youth, 15.6 million participants
4. Camping (Car, Backyard and RV)  
19.0% of youth, 15.3 million participants
5. Hiking  
15.5% of youth, 12.5 million participants

### **Favorite Youth Outdoor Activities** *By Frequency of Participation, Ages 6 to 24*

1. Running, Jogging and Trail Running  
81.3 average outings per runner,  
1.7 billion total outings
2. Bicycling (Road, Mountain and BMX)  
58.0 average outings per cyclist,  
1.1 billion total outings
3. Fishing (Fresh, Salt and Fly)  
16.1 average outings per fishing participant,  
251.4 million total outings
4. Skateboarding  
46.8 average outings per skateboarder,  
212.2 million total outings
5. Camping (Car, Backyard and RV)  
12.4 average outings per camper,  
189.0 million total outings

# American's Favorite Summer Outdoor Activities

An online survey conducted by the National Recreation and Park Association asked 1,000 Americans, ages 18+, what their favorite summertime outdoor activities are.

**All top 3 results reflect activities that can be enjoyed at public parks nationwide.**

## TOP 3 ACTIVITIES:



HAVING A PICNIC  
OR BARBECUE  
**55%**



GOING FOR A  
WALK/HIKE  
**49%**



GOING TO THE  
BEACH  
**40%**

## FAVORITE ACTIVITIES BY GENERATION:

### MILLENNIALS



GOING TO  
THE BEACH  
**43%**



HAVING A PICNIC  
OR BARBECUE  
**40%**



GOING TO  
THE POOL  
**39%**

### GEN X'ERS



HAVING A PICNIC  
OR BARBECUE  
**54%**



GOING FOR A  
WALK/HIKE  
**46%**



GOING TO  
THE BEACH  
**37%**

### BABY BOOMERS



HAVING A PICNIC  
OR BARBECUE  
**64%**



GOING FOR A  
WALK/HIKE  
**58%**



GOING TO  
THE BEACH  
**43%**

[www.nrpa.org](http://www.nrpa.org)

Based upon a survey conducted for the National Recreation and Park Association by Wakefield Research among 1,000 nationally representative Americans, ages 18+, between May 5th and May 12th, 2016, using an email invitation and an online survey. Quotas have been set to ensure reliable and accurate representation of the U.S. adult population ages 18+. Results of any sample are subject to sampling variation. The magnitude of the variation is measurable and is affected by the number of interviews and the level of the percentages expressing the results. For the interviews conducted in this particular study, the chances are 95 in 100 that a survey result does not vary, plus or minus, by more than 3.1 percentage points from the result that would be obtained if interviews had been conducted with all persons in the universe represented by the sample. Survey respondents were allowed to choose up to 3 choices.



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# CHAPTER 5

## GOALS & OBJECTIVES/ STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN





## INTRODUCTION

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The City of St. Clair Recreation Commission has formulated the following goals and objectives for the next five-year planning period. The goals and objectives are broad enough to encompass the needs expressed by the public, City officials, and staff, as well as respond to the observed deficiencies in the recreation resources. They also consider current demographic and economic trends and projections, the area's physical resources, and recreation trends.

## PARKS AND RECREATION GOALS

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The City of St. Clair is committed to providing recreational opportunities for persons of all ages and abilities.

The focus of parks and recreation in St. Clair should continue to be on the maintenance and improvement of existing parks and trails, as well as continuing to provide outstanding programming for residents and non-residents alike.

## OBJECTIVES

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### 1. MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE EXISTING PARKS.

The continued maintenance and update of park facilities is important to the quality of parks and recreation in St. Clair. Park facilities should be safe, functional, and well-maintained. This includes upgrading aging facilities, removing barriers to accessibility, and maintaining the parks. There is also a desire to continue improving park facilities to respond to the changing needs of residents, such as renovating or relocating the City pool, renovating Klecha Park, updating Greig Park, and improvements at other existing parks and the boat harbor.

### 2. ESTABLISH A CONTINUOUS CITYWIDE BIKE/WALK WAY SYSTEM.

The establishment of a network of bike and walk ways to form a continuous system tying parks, schools, neighborhoods, businesses, and community facilities is a continued priority for the City. This system should be tied to the regional trail system planned for the area and to a complete streets policy for the City of St. Clair. Coordination with City Council, the Planning Commission, and the Downtown Development Authority will be necessary to develop and implement the system.

### **3. ACQUIRE AND DEVELOP NEW PARKS.**

Potential land acquisition and parkland dedication should focus on providing areas for active recreation use and community gathering. Coordination with City Council and the Planning Commission will be necessary to acquire new parkland.

### **4. CONTINUE TO IMPROVE RECREATION SERVICES AND PARTNERSHIPS.**

The Recreation Department strives to provide quality and diverse recreation programs which respond to residents' desires and interests. The Recreation Department has maintained a high level of services that is well-appreciated by residents.

The continued coordination with area recreation providers including adjacent townships and the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission, as well as the schools, civic groups, and business organizations, is important to maximize the City's recreation potential. The Recreation Commission should play a role in the coordination of such services by focusing on increasing public awareness and support for park development projects and meeting community recreational needs for recreation programs.

The City should also encourage and participate in discussions with neighboring jurisdictions and St. Clair County on a potential regional community recreation center in an appropriate location to serve residents.

### **5. PROVIDE FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION AND FUNDING OF PARKS AND RECREATION.**

A quality parks and recreation system is dependent on available funding. Park improvements and operations have been funded through the City's general fund, the County's parks and recreation millage, and grants. A means of generating revenues through grants and fundraising where possible must continue to be a priority to implement capital improvement projects.

## **STRATEGIC ACTION PROGRAM**

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The Action Program details the manner in which the goals and objectives will be met. It includes a list of specific improvement projects, as well as strategies for implementation.

The following outlines a list of specific projects and strategic actions which are recommended for accomplishment during the five-year planning period. They are based on the needs identified in the community-wide survey, discussions with the project steering committee, and input from City staff and commissions.



# 1

## Maintain and upgrade existing park facilities

This action includes replacing or repairing old equipment and facilities that are in a state of disrepair, are outdated, or dangerous. It also includes improving the appearance of the City parks through appropriate landscaping and maintenance. All upgrades must meet safety and accessibility standards. Proposed actions include:

- ◆ Remove/replace outdated play equipment;
- ◆ Maintain safety surfaces under play structures to regulated depth and fall zone;
- ◆ Refurbish athletic field surfaces as needed;
- ◆ Make ADA-accessibility improvements at all facilities as needed;
- ◆ Refurbish parking area, walkway, and court game pavement surfaces as needed;
- ◆ Replace/add park furnishings such as benches, trash receptacles, and signs;
- ◆ Explore the development of a field house or other shared use facility to host pickleball and other activities.
- ◆ Maintain buildings, structures, and picnic shelters in good condition with roof repair, exterior painting, and other improvements;
- ◆ Manage existing plant materials with the removal of dead trees and replace with tree/shrub plantings; and
- ◆ Work with the DDA, Beautification Commission, and other civic groups to continue to add attractive landscaping by park signs, park entrances, and at other locations.

# 2

## Improve Palmer Park

Because of its primary location along the St. Clair River, Palmer Park is a high priority for future park improvements. Proposed actions include:

- ◆ Provide a community gathering space for special events;
- ◆ Promote the park's access to the river, highlight community events at the park, and market the park's amenities, such as the bollards for boater access;
- ◆ Explore providing active and passive recreation facilities, including opportunities for outdoor fitness and physical activity;
- ◆ Promote the area's maritime history through interpretive displays and enhanced tools to enjoy the river and its variety of boating and shipping activities;
- ◆ Use MNRTF grant as a match for a MDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant to improve pedestrian access from Riverview Plaza to Palmer Park that leads to the Boardwalk;
- ◆ Explore options for working with community partners to provide appropriate areas within the park for food trucks.

### 3

## Improve Greig Park

Greig Park is the main active park in the City of St. Clair. Proposed improvements include:

- ◆ Install a permanent restroom building;
- ◆ Maintain the multi-use surfaces and replace equipment as necessary;
- ◆ Improve, reorganize, and resurface the parking area;
- ◆ Prepare a stewardship plan for the management and enhancement of the wooded area;
- ◆ Redesign/rebuild the “Imagination Station” play structure;
- ◆ Improve and maintain the nature trail; and
- ◆ Redesign the non-motorized bicycle track and add components to the skate park as needed.

### 4

## Develop the Legacy Park property

Legacy Park is an important addition to the City’s park system, providing ball fields for the area’s baseball and softball leagues. Additional land acreage remains undeveloped. Proposed improvements include:

- ◆ Develop a master plan for the undeveloped land at Legacy Park;
- ◆ Provide nature trails and paved walkways around the park;
- ◆ Support the St. Clair Little League’s development and maintenance of the existing and planned ball fields, including
  - ⇒ The addition of support facilities and park furnishings, including a picnic shelter, tables, restrooms, benches, drinking fountains, etc.;
  - ⇒ The development of playground facilities; and
  - ⇒ Making improvements to the parking and driveway areas.

### 5

## Renovate Klecha Park

With Legacy Park housing the Little League ball fields, Klecha Park can be transformed into a neighborhood park by implementing the Klecha Park Master Plan, which includes:

- ◆ Maintain one ball field and replace the others with a multi-use court and open grass areas;
- ◆ Remove and relocate the play structure and pavilion closer to Goffe Street;
- ◆ Remove the storage building;
- ◆ Add walkways, seating areas, shade trees, and shrubs; and
- ◆ Develop a new parking area with ADA-parking and accessible sidewalk connections to restroom facilities.

## 6

### **Improve and add small parks and open spaces**

Diamond Point, Patrick Sinclair, and Rotary Club parks should be maintained and improved by providing walkway connections to the citywide walkway system. Other small public open spaces could also be added on vacant or underutilized lots. Proposed actions include:

- ◆ Create seating areas and continue to incorporate artwork along with pedestrian amenities;
- ◆ Continue to maintain and add attractive landscaping; and
- ◆ Add walkway connections to the citywide bike/walkway system.

## 7

### **Acquire parkland and open space**

Work to acquire and dedicate new parkland and open spaces as significant parcels and acquisition opportunities occur.

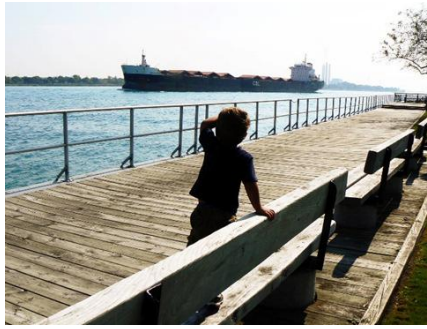
- ◆ Acquire land for the development of parks adjacent to existing parks, providing access to the Pine and St. Clair rivers, and land that provides linkages and opportunities for both active and passive recreation; and
- ◆ Work with City Council and the Planning Commission to ensure parkland dedication is considered in development proposals.

## 8

### **Maintain high quality recreation services and provide efficient/effective administration**

Financing the development of new facilities will have to be supported by grants, donations, and other funding sources. Recreation Department staff should continue to provide outstanding customer service and recreational opportunities for citizens. Recommended actions include:

- ◆ Continuously evaluate and monitor recreation programs;
- ◆ Stay abreast of current recreation trends at the regional, state, and national level;
- ◆ Ensure that City recreation programs have safe, up-to-date equipment and supplies;
- ◆ Evaluate fees and chargers for programs and services to increase cost recovery;
- ◆ Continue to pursue state and federal grants for parkland acquisition and development;
- ◆ Continue to maintain and develop volunteer opportunities;
- ◆ Expand use of web-based communication tools such as Facebook, Twitter, E-mail blasts, and other online services for registration and communication;
- ◆ Increase marketing efforts to promote the City's parks and recreation programs and ensure that all citizens are aware of City facilities, programs, and events; and
- ◆ Establish a memorial bench/tree planting program.



## 9

## Actively support and participate in the continued development of bicycle and walking trails/pathways

Work with City Council, the Planning Commission, and other partners to continue developing the multi-use pathway system by developing missing links, providing connections in and outside of the City, and adding complete streets features. Proposed actions include:

- ◆ Continue to partner with MDOT, St. Clair County, the Michigan Fitness Foundation, and other stakeholders to promote active community initiatives such as Safe Routes to School and Promoting Active Community Gold Level, and to generate ideas, interest, and support for a community-wide bike/walk way system ([www.mihealthtools.org/communities/](http://www.mihealthtools.org/communities/));
- ◆ Consider the feasibility of dedicating bike lanes along the City's primary arteries;
- ◆ Provide safe pedestrian crossings along primary arteries in conjunction with pedestrian refuges, enhanced crosswalks, pedestrian-activated signals, and other features;
- ◆ Install site amenities along the bike/walk system to include kiosks, maps, benches, trash receptacles, mile markers, bike racks, and a wayfinding system;
- ◆ Work with St. Clair County and other partners to implement recommendations and design treatments outlined in the Blue Water Trail Towns Master Plan;
- ◆ Develop a marketing strategy to attract support and sponsors including the development of a walking brochure and club;
- ◆ Encourage the creation of a U.S. Bike Route 20 alternate route through downtown St. Clair;
- ◆ Utilize St. Clair County recreation millage funds to repair and maintain pathways throughout the City;
- ◆ Update the City's vision for an interconnected system of bike/walk ways with the preparation of a City of St. Clair Non-motorized Transportation Plan or Complete Streets Plan; and
- ◆ Develop the following pathway connections:
  - ⇒ Fred Moore Highway/King Road multi-use pathway to Legacy Park,
  - ⇒ Rattle Run Road to Legacy Park,
  - ⇒ Carney Drive to St. Clair High School,
  - ⇒ Rotary Park extension,
  - ⇒ M-29/Riverside Drive segment, and
  - ⇒ Brown Street from existing path end point to M-29

# 10

## **Maintain partnerships to enhance parks and recreation opportunities for citizens**

Facilitate and promote the use of City parks and recreation facilities by community groups including seniors, sports leagues, and public schools. Parks and Recreation Commissioners must continue to advocate and promote the social, economic, and environmental values and benefits of parks and recreation by reaching to the community and the region. Recommended actions include:

- ◆ Continue to coordinate the shared use of facilities and programs with area sports organizations, public schools, adjacent communities, regional recreation providers, and other recreation groups;
- ◆ Explore partnership opportunities with private and nonprofit entities for key regional impact projects, such as the redevelopment of the ECSO Education Center as a potential recreation/education/arts center;
- ◆ Continue to seek public/private partnerships including adjacent communities, St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission, or private groups for the area's parks and recreation services or for implementing a particular project such as a regional community center and work with those partners to identify appropriate locations and funding opportunities; and
- ◆ Provide opportunities for volunteers and promote park stewardship opportunities.

# 11

## **Work with community partners to further improve and promote water trails**

The City of St. Clair is fortunate to be located in an area that offers phenomenal opportunities for water-based recreation and enjoyment. Paddling sports have seen enormous growth in popularity in St. Clair County due in large part to the establishment of the Blueways of St. Clair, a countywide system of water trails. With the Pine and St. Clair Rivers, there are tremendous opportunities for water trail recreation in the City. Recommended actions include:

- ◆ Continue to work with the Blueways of St. Clair to promote area water trails and increase marketing efforts for City-specific water trails;
- ◆ Identify an optimal location for an additional ADA-accessible canoe/kayak launch;
- ◆ Enhance signage for water trails, river access, and connectivity to downtown and other City amenities;
- ◆ Develop fishing and canoe/kayak access on the Pine River; and
- ◆ Implement the recommendations of the Blue Water Trail Towns Master Plan.



## 12 Improve the St. Clair Boat Harbor

The St. Clair Boat Harbor is an asset to the City of St. Clair and the larger region. Pleasure boating is hugely popular throughout the Metro Detroit area and the Boat Harbor provides excellent amenities for boaters looking to take advantage of the area's beautiful water resources. Recommended actions include:

- ◆ Seal and restripe the parking lot and explore reorganizing the lot configuration to increase the efficient flow of traffic and improve parking;
- ◆ Continue to improve and maintain the seawall and caps, ensuring structural and aesthetic integrity;
- ◆ Renovate and improve the restrooms;
- ◆ Increase the size of the fleet of canoes and kayaks available for rent at the Boat Harbor;
- ◆ Identify the most cost-efficient and effective treatment for dock repairs and dock replacement;
- ◆ Continue to make improvements to enhance the Harbor pavilions;
- ◆ Renovate and update the Harbor office; and
- ◆ Pursue dredging grant funds as needed.

## 13 Improve the City's community pool and develop a splash pad

Two important takeaways from the community survey are that residents love the community pool and wish for it to remain - whether renovated in its current location or constructed new at another location. They also have a strong desire for a splash pad to be developed somewhere in the City. Recommended actions include:

- ◆ Make improvements to the community pool at its current location or identify an appropriate location to develop a new community pool;
- ◆ Look for ways to partner with neighboring townships on a community pool; and
- ◆ Develop a splash pad at an appropriate location in an existing City park.

# 14

## Continue to maintain and promote Pine Shores Golf Course as a recreational destination

The City operates the Pine Shores Golf Course, a nine-hole course that offers lessons, league play, and banquet facilities. The community survey revealed that many residents are not aware of the various services the golf course offers.

- ◆ Maintain the clubhouse facility and improve the parking lot as necessary;
- ◆ Explore opportunities for food truck vendors to periodically operate at the golf course;
- ◆ Improve and maintain the irrigation system;
- ◆ Explore options to provide additional fishing opportunities at the golf course;
- ◆ Work with partners to manage invasive species and protect habitat in the Pine River;
- ◆ Look into other community uses for the parking lot across from the clubhouse; and
- ◆ Maintain and replace golf course equipment on an ongoing basis.



## IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

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In order to accomplish the recommended actions during the next five years, it will be necessary to secure adequate funding. The current budget provides a limited amount of money for parks and recreation facilities. Therefore, the following strategies are recommended in order to proceed as planned.

### **APPLY FOR FEDERAL FUNDING**

At the federal level, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) funds the federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). To be eligible, a project must be an eligible TAP activity and relate to surface transportation. A minimum 20 percent local match is required for proposed projects and applications are accepted online on an on-going basis. Additionally, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) also holds an application process, giving the City two opportunities to apply for TAP funding. Activities which may apply to the City of St. Clair include:

- ◆ Provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles including new or reconstructed sidewalks, walkways, curb ramps, bike lane striping, wide paved shoulders, bike parking, off-road trails, bike and pedestrian bridges, and underpasses;
- ◆ Provision of safety and educational programs for pedestrians and bicyclists designed to encourage walking and bicycling; and
- ◆ Acquisition, planning, designing and constructing abandoned railway corridors.

### **APPLY FOR MDNR GRANT FUNDING**

At the state level, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) offers a number of grant programs for parks and recreation acquisition and development, including the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) program, the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), and the Recreation Passport grant program.

The MNRTF provides funding for the purchase and development of parkland for natural resource-based preservation and recreation. Grant proposals must include a local match of at least 25 percent of the total project cost. There is no minimum or maximum for acquisition projects. For development projects, the minimum funding request is \$15,000 and the maximum is \$500,000. Applications are typically due April 1 each year.

The Recreation Passport program provides grants up to \$75,000 for development projects and requires a 25 percent match. The program is focused on renovating and improving existing parks, but the development of new parks is eligible. The minimum grant request is \$7,500. Applications are typically due April 1 each year.

The Land and Water Conservation Fund is a federal appropriation to the National Park Service, which distributes funds to the MDNR for development of outdoor recreation facilities. Minimum grant requests are \$30,000 and maximum requests are \$75,000. LWCF grants require a 50 percent match of the total project cost. Applications are typically due April 1 each year.

Other funding conducted in partnership with the MDNR is available through other state

government divisions, such as the Fisheries Division (Inland Fisheries Grant) and the Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management Division (DTE Energy Foundation Tree Planting Grant and Forest Stewardship – Outreach and Education Grant). The Inland Fisheries Grant program considers projects that enhance habitat and fisheries, riparian property for public fishing use, water quality, and ecology.

#### **APPLY FOR MICHIGAN WATERWAYS COMMISSION FUNDING**

The MDNR Waterways Commission is a seven-member advisory body responsible for the acquisition, construction, and maintenance of recreational harbors, channels, and docking and launching facilities.

Waterways Program Grants are funded through the Michigan State Waterways Fund from state marine fuel tax and watercraft registrations. These grants provide funding assistance for design and construction of public recreational harbor/marina and boating access site/launch facilities throughout the state. Only local units of government and public universities are eligible to apply. On-site investigation by MDNR, Parks and Recreation Division staff may be required to determine suitability of proposed work. Greater priority is typically given to projects for which the applicant documents matching funds equal to or greater than the percentage of the project cost they are required to provide. The local match can include in-kind services. These grants provide funds for engineering services (i.e. preliminary design/engineering, feasibility studies, market analysis, soil borings, utility surveys, bathymetric surveys, and many more) and construction components for boating facilities (i.e. utility work, dredging, breakwater and seawall work, dock/pier work, boat launch work, paving work, fueling system work, ice suppression, lighting, entrance/parking lot work, pump-out system work, and more). Applications are typically due April 1 each year.

#### **SEEK OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING**

There are also a variety of smaller grant programs available for the establishment of greenways/pathways or greenway-related facilities. Additionally, the City of St. Clair should investigate additional sources of funding, such as donations, attracting sponsors, holding fundraising events, and exploring other revenue sources to raise funds for park acquisition and development.



# **APPENDIX A:** **ST. CLAIR BOAT HARBOR**

**IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULE, DREDGING INFORMATION AND SITE PLAN**

# ST. CLAIR BOAT HARBOR: IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULE

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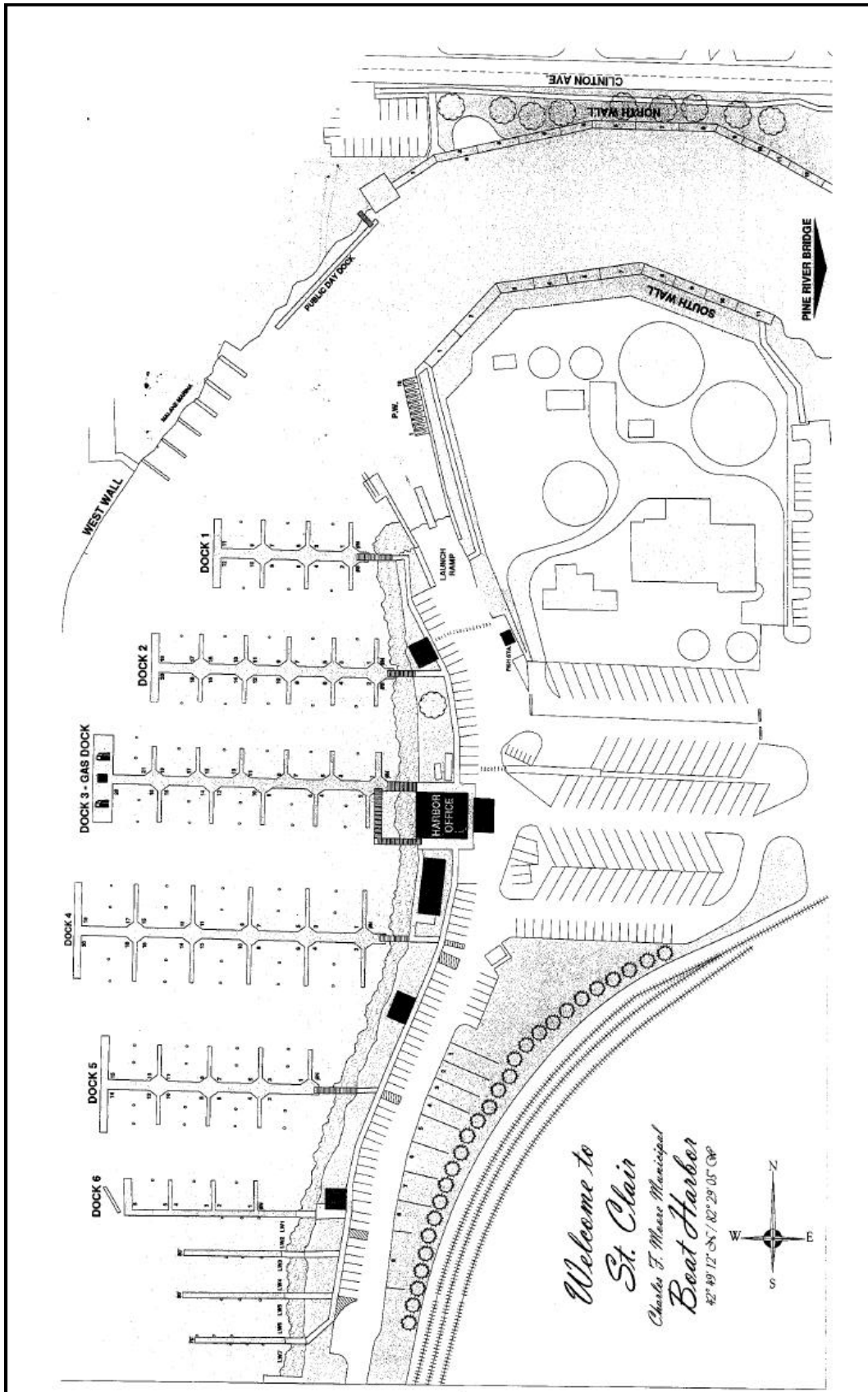
ST. CLAIR BOAT HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULE	
Renovation of restrooms, new toilets, urinals, shower fixtures, new ceiling, painting	2019-2020
Seal/restripe parking lot	2019
Painting and maintenance of seawall caps	South wall: 2019; North wall 2020-2021
Harbor pavilions side curtains and roof replacement	2019
Renovate harbor office and landscaping	2019-2020
St. Clair Harbor wireless and security camera project	Main marina: 2019; North and South wall: 2020
Increase fleet of kayaks available for rent	2019-2021
Dock decking replacement	2020-2023

## DREDGING

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The last dredging at St. Clair Boat Harbor was in 2011-2013 when 1,200 cubic yards were removed by Malcolm Marine Inc. This project was supported by a DNR matching grant. No dredging is required currently due to high water levels.

## St. Clair Boat Harbor Site Plan



# **APPENDIX B: PLAN DOCUMENTATION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-03  
CITY OF ST. CLAIR  
ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR  
PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair has undertaken the update of its five-year recreation plan which describes the community's physical and social characteristics, existing parks and recreation facilities, and the desired actions to be taken to improve the parks and recreation facilities during the period between 2018 and 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair Recreation Commission reviewed the *City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan* during the course of several public meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Parks and Recreation Master Plan's* goals and objectives were developed in response to needs and deficiencies identified by public input from a survey and work sessions; and

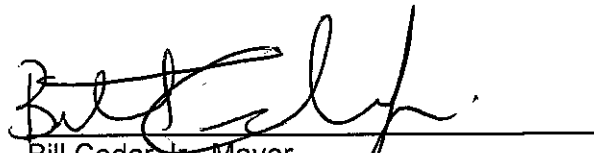
**WHEREAS**, the *Park and Recreation Master Plan* has been made available for public review in the manner required by law and all comments from the public have been considered by the City of St. Clair Recreation Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the plan was recommended for Council's adoption by the City of St. Clair Recreation Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the plan was developed for the benefit of the entire community and a public hearing was held on February 19, 2018 to provide another opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Master Plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Clair City Council hereby adopts the *City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan*.

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

  
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Bill Cedar Jr., Mayor  
City of St. Clair, Michigan

## CERTIFICATION

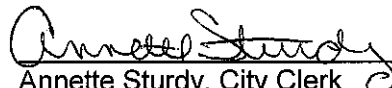
The foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of St. Clair, County of St. Clair, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 19h day of February, 2018, and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in accordance with the requirements of Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being the Open Meetings Act, and the Minutes of said meeting have been or will be made available as required by said Act.

Members Present: Mayor Cedar, Members Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney  
Members Absent: None

It was moved by Member McCartney and supported by Member Kindsvater to adopt the Resolution.

Members voting yes: LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, Cedar  
Members voting no: None

The Resolution was declared adopted by the Mayor and has been recorded in the Resolution Book.

  
Annette Sturdy, City Clerk  
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RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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The hearing will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 547 N. Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan on Monday, February 19, 2018 at 7:00 pm. All interested citizens will have an opportunity to give oral or written comments.

Further notice is hereby given that a true copy of the proposed plan will be on file at the Municipal Building and is open to public inspection.

The City Council will consider adoption of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan following the hearing. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan is a five-year recommended program for improving parks and recreation for St. Clair residents.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in this meeting should contact the City Clerk at (810) 329-7121 or via email at [asturdy@cityofstclair.com](mailto:asturdy@cityofstclair.com) at least two working days in advance of the meeting. An attempt will be made to make reasonable accommodations.

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Southeast Michigan Council of Governments  
Attn: Mr. Bill Parkus  
535 Griswold Street, Suite 300  
Detroit, MI 48226-3602

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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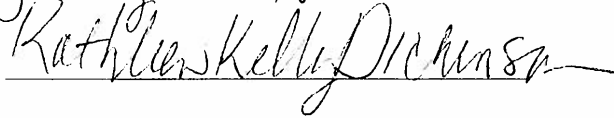
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CITY OF ST. CLAIR  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
PROPOSED PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

The City Council of the City of St. Clair will conduct a public hearing for the proposed City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

The hearing will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 547 N. Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan on Monday, February 19, 2018 at 7:00 pm. All interested citizens will have an opportunity to give oral or written comments.

Further notice is hereby given that a true copy of the proposed plan will be on file at the Municipal Building and is open to public inspection.

The City Council will consider adoption of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan following the hearing. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan is a five-year recommended program for improving parks and recreation for St. Clair residents.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in this meeting should contact the City Clerk at (810) 329-7121 or via email at [asturdy@cityofstclair.com](mailto:asturdy@cityofstclair.com) at least two working days in advance of the meeting. An attempt will be made to make reasonable accommodations.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 18-03  
CITY OF ST. CLAIR  
ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR  
PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair has undertaken the update of its five-year recreation plan which describes the community's physical and social characteristics, existing parks and recreation facilities, and the desired actions to be taken to improve the parks and recreation facilities during the period between 2018 and 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair Recreation Commission reviewed the *City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan* during the course of several public meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Parks and Recreation Master Plan's* goals and objectives were developed in response to needs and deficiencies identified by public input from a survey and work sessions; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Park and Recreation Master Plan* has been made available for public review in the manner required by law and all comments from the public have been considered by the City of St. Clair Recreation Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the plan was recommended for Council's adoption by the City of St. Clair Recreation Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the plan was developed for the benefit of the entire community and a public hearing was held on February 19, 2018 to provide another opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Master Plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Clair City Council hereby adopts the *City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan*.

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

  
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Bill Ceda Jr., Mayor  
City of St. Clair, Michigan

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of St. Clair, County of St. Clair, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 19h day of February, 2018, and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in accordance with the requirements of Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being the Open Meetings Act, and the Minutes of said meeting have been or will be made available as required by said Act.

Members Present: Mayor Cedar, Members Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney  
Members Absent: None

It was moved by Member McCartney and supported by Member Kindsvater to adopt the Resolution.

Members voting yes: LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, Cedar  
Members voting no: None

The Resolution was declared adopted by the Mayor and has been recorded in the Resolution Book.

  
Annette Sturdy, City Clerk  
City of St. Clair, Michigan

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2018- 7:00 P.M.**

**Meeting Called to Order** at 7:00pm by Mayor Cedar in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 547 N. Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Cedar, Members Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney  
**ABSENT:** None  
**ADMINISTRATION:** Mike Booth, City Superintendent; Trice Hawkins, Recreation Director; Timothy Raker, Police Chief; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk.  
**AUDIENCE:** There were 27 people in attendance.  
Mayor Cedar recommended adding Item 5A) Presentations. No objections.

**CONSENT AGENDA** – Carried to approve Consent Agenda item A. as presented.

A. City Council Minutes of February 5, 2018 Special and Regular Meetings: Approved

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Parks and Recreation Master Plan-Mayor Cedar opened the public hearing at 7:01pm to receive public comment on the proposed updates to the City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The purpose of the plan is to guide recreation planning and development efforts of the Recreation Department over the next 5 years. It was approved by the Recreation Commission at their regular monthly meeting on January 15, 2018. The Master Plan draft was noticed, as required, as available for a 30-day review. No written comments received within the 30-day period. No public comments were heard for or against the proposed plan during the public hearing. Hearing closed at 7:02pm

**PRESENTATION**

Chief Raker recognized the efforts of Officer Colin Ellul with a life-saving award. Thank you Officer Ellul for your commitment to public safety.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Ordinance Introduction (2018-01) Fire Prevention Code (Chapter 30, Article III)- AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO AMEND CHAPTER 30 "FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION," ARTICLE III "FIRE PREVENTION CODE," SECTION 61 "CODE ADOPTED; PURPOSE; COPIES ON FILE;" SECTION 63 "AMENDMENTS" AND TO ADD SECTION 64 "CONFLICT WITH OTHER LAWS." THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR ORDAINS:

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Chapter 30, Article III, Sections 61, 63, and 64 of the City Code are hereby amended to read as follows: **Section 30-61. Code adopted; purpose; copies on file.** The City of St. Clair, in order to regulate and govern the safe guarding of life and property from fire or explosion hazards, adopts The International Fire Code, 2015 edition, as published by the International Code Council, including appendix B, D, E, F and G of said International Fire Code. The purpose and intent of this code is to prescribe minimum requirements consistent with nationally recognized standards for providing a reasonable level of safety to life and property and for protection from the hazards of fire, explosion, or dangerous conditions arising from the storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices and from conditions hazardous to life or property related to the occupancy of buildings and premises. This code shall also provide for the issuance of certain permits and collection of delineated fees. All matters within the intent of

this code and not covered by this code shall comply with the referenced standards listed in the International Fire Code, 2015 edition, as published by the International Code Council (including Appendix Chapters B, D, E, F, and G). At least three (3) copies of this Code have been and are now filed in the City Clerk's office except as otherwise specifically stated herein, the provisions of such Code are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as though fully set out at length herein, and the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the City of St. Clair.

**Section 30-63. Amendments.** The following chapters, sections and subsections of the International Fire Code adopted in this article are hereby amended or deleted as set forth in this section, and additional chapters, sections and subsections are added as indicated. The following chapter and section numbers refer to like number of chapters and sections of the International Fire Code: *Section 108.01. Appeals.* The Appeals Board shall be the existing Building Commission of the City of St. Clair. *Article 79* shall be amended by adding a new section reading as follows: *Section 7901.1.3. State flammable liquid laws.* Pursuant to the provisions of section 3(k) of Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1909 (MCL 117.3(k), MSA 5.2073(k)), as amended, the state fire safety board, rules for Storage and Transportation of Flammable and Combustible Liquids 1992, as amended, as prescribed and authorized in Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1941 (MCL 29.1 et seq., MSA 4.559(1) et seq.), as amended, are hereby adopted by reference by the city for the purpose of providing rules for the preservation of fire and protection of persons and property in the transportation, storage, handling, offering for sale, sale and use of flammable liquids. Copies of such regulations are on file in the office of the city clerk, available for public use and inspections at all times. Where any section or part of Article 79 of the International Fire Code is in conflict with the State Fire Safety Board, rules for Storage and Transportation of Flammable and Combustible Liquids 1992, it is intended that the State Fire Safety Board, rules for Storage and Transportation of Flammable and Combustible Liquids 1992, shall prevail. *Section 1102.1.1. Open burning.* Where any section of [or] part of Section 1102 of the Uniform Fire Code is in conflict with City of St. Clair Code of Ordinance Chapter 30 Article IV Open Burning, it is intended that the City of St. Clair Code of Ordinance Chapter 30 Article IV Open Burning, shall prevail. *Section 503.2* is hereby amended to read as follows: *Section 503.2.2. Fire lanes.* The marking of fire lanes on private property, devoted to public use, shall be approved by the chief of the bureau of fire prevention and the chief of police. *Section 503* is hereby amended to include the following: Parking of motor vehicles or otherwise obstructing fire lanes shall be prohibited at all times. Members of the police department are hereby authorized to remove motor vehicles and/or vehicles in the designated fire lanes. *Appendix VI-C, Section 2.4* is hereby amended as follows: (a) Any person convicted of a violation of any provision of this Code or any rule, regulation or order adopted or issued in pursuance thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00 and cost of prosecution or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. Each act of violation, and every day upon which any such violations shall occur shall constitute a separate offense. (b) The penalty provided by this section, unless another penalty is expressly provided, shall apply to the amendment of any section of this Code, whether or not such penalty is reenacted in the amendatory ordinance. (c) The penalty set out in this section shall be in addition to the abatement of the violating condition, any injunctive relief, or revocation or [of] any permit or license. (d) This section shall not apply to the failure of officers and employees of the city to perform municipal duties required by this Code.

**Section 30-64. Conflict with Other Laws.**

Should any provision of the City Code or State law require a permit or license covering the same operations, business, activity or material for which the Fire Code requires a permit, such City Code provision or State law shall prevail and it shall be necessary to obtain the permit as required by the Fire Code.

LaPorte moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to introduce Ordinance (2018-01) Fire Code.

Ayes: Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Cedar  
Nays: None

Resolution (18-03) Parks and Recreation Master Plan- **RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Clair City Council hereby adopts the *City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan*.

Peter Klomparens, St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission, stated the submitted plan meets the requirements of the MDNR and maintains City eligibility for State Grant Funding. The steps taken to develop the draft and gain public input on the plan were followed completely and are in compliance. Trice Hawkins, Recreation Director, specified local outreach of a leader survey for commissions and council and an online community survey.

McCartney moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution (18-03) Parks and Recreation Master Plan as presented

Ayes: LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, Cedar  
Nays: None

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

Resolution (18-04) Nominating Petitions- **A RESOLUTION TO AMEND CHARTER SECTION 9.05(A)(1) CONCERNING NOMINATING PETITION DEADLINES SO THAT IT COMPLIES WITH PUBLIC ACT 276 OF 2012 REQUIRING SAID PETITIONS TO BE FILED FIFTEEN TUESDAYS BEFORE THE AUGUST PRIMARY DATE. WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair currently conducts regular and primary elections for city offices and ballot issues in even-numbered years by operation of Public Act 523 of 2012; and **WHEREAS**, state election law, Public Act 116 of 1954, has changed nominating petition deadlines by operation of Public Act 276 of 2012; and **WHEREAS**, City Charter Section 9.05(a)(1), which concerns nominating petition deadlines, is now in conflict with the mandate of Public Act 276 of 2012; and **WHEREAS**, the Home Rule City Act, MCL 117.3b(3), allows the St. Clair City Council to resolve this conflict by adopting a resolution consistent with the state election law; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that City of St. Clair RESOLVES to amend the language of Charter Section 9.05(1)(a) to read as follows: **Section 9.05.—Candidates.** a. Nomination. (1) *Petition requirements.* Nominating petitions for elective offices to be filed at the even-year general election shall be filed with the office of the city clerk by 4:00 p.m. on the fifteenth Tuesday prior to the even-year primary election. The form of nominating petitions shall be substantially as that designated by the Michigan Election Law for the nomination of nonpartisan judicial officers except they shall be signed by not less than fifteen (15) registered electors of the city.

McCartney moved, Ellery seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution (18-04) Nominating Petition Deadlines as presented.

Ayes: McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Cedar  
Nays: None

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

Resolution (18-05) Support of MDOT M-29 Road Rehabilitation Project - A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT) M-29 ROAD PROJECT.

**WHEREAS**, The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will provide documentation and land configuration diagrams for M-29 within the city limits of the City of St. Clair in preparation for a road project; and

**WHEREAS**, MDOT will provide a traffic engineering study of the M-29 Corridor; and

**WHEREAS**, the study will conclude with options that may include a 4 lane to 3 lane conversion, bike lanes or parking options; and

**WHEREAS**, the options will be presented to the City Council of the City of St. Clair for discussion and approval; and

**NOW, THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of St. Clair City Council is formally supporting the Michigan Department of Transportation and is dedicated to the road project of M-29;

Kuffa moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution (18-05) Support of MDOT Road project as presented.

Ayes: Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Cedar  
Nays: Ellery

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

Resolution (18-06) Establish HSA in MERS Division 20 plan (SCPD)- **WHEREAS**, the Municipal Employees Retirement Act authorized the Municipal Employees' Retirement Board ("Board") to establish additional programs including but not limited to defined benefit and defined contribution program (MERS Plan Document Section 72; MCL 38.1536(2)(a)).

**WHEREAS**, the Board has authorized MERS' establishment of the health care savings program ("HCSP" or "Program"), which a participating municipality or court, or another eligible public employer that constitutes a "municipality" under MERS Plan Document Section 2; MCL 38.1502b(2) ("Eligible Employer"), may adopt for its Eligible Employees. **WHEREAS**, MERS has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be a tax qualified "governmental plan" and trust under section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and all trust assets within MERS reserves are therefore exempt from taxation under Code section 501(a) (IRS Letter of Favorable Determination dated October 8, 2016). **WHEREAS**, the Board has established a governmental trust (the "Trust Fund") to hold the assets of the HCSP, which Trust Fund shall be administered under the discretion of the Board as fiduciary, directly by (or through a combination of) MERS or MERS' duly-appointed Program Administrator. **WHEREAS**, 1999 PA 149, the Public Employee Health Care Fund Investment Act, MCL 38.1211 et seq. ("PA 149") provides for the creation by a public corporation of a public employee health care fund, and its administration, investment, and management, in order to accumulate funds to provide for the funding of health benefits for retirees and beneficiaries. **WHEREAS**, a separate MERS health care trust fund created under PA 149 also constitutes a governmental trust established by an Eligible Employer, provided that all such employers shall be the State of Michigan, its political subdivisions, and any public entity the income of which is excluded from gross income under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code; provided further, that the PA 149 trust shall not accept assets from any defined benefit health account established under Section 401(h) of the Internal Revenue Code. **WHEREAS**, the Board acts as investment fiduciary for the pooled assets of each MERS participating municipality as defined by the MERS 401(a) Plan Document, on whose behalf MERS performs all plan administration and investment functions, and such participating municipalities and courts have full membership, representation and voting rights at the Annual Meeting as provided under Plan Section 78; MCL 38.1545. **WHEREAS**, the Board also acts as investment fiduciary for those participating employers who are non-MERS participating municipalities and courts that have adopted the MERS Health Care Savings Program, Retiree Health Funding Vehicle, or Investment Service Program, and such entities are not accorded membership, representation or voting rights provided to MERS

participating municipalities and courts at the Annual meeting under Plan Document Section Document 78; MCL 38.1545. WHEREAS, adoption of this Uniform Resolution and the HCSP Participation Agreement (the "Uniform Resolution") by each Eligible Employer is necessary and required in order that the benefits available under the MERS HCSP may be extended to the Eligible Employer's employees. • It is expressly agreed and understood as an integral and nonseverable part of extension or continuation of coverage under this HCSP Resolution that Section 43 of the MERS Plan Document shall not apply to this Uniform Resolution Adopting MERS HCSP, the Participation Agreement, the HCSP Plan Document, the Trust Agreement, and their administration or interpretation. • In the event any alteration of the language, terms or conditions stated in this Uniform Resolution Adopting MERS HCSP is made or occurs, it is expressly recognized that MERS and the Board, as fiduciary of the MERS Plan and its trust reserves, and whose authority is nondelegable, shall have no obligation or duty to administer (or to have administered) the Trust Fund, or to continue administration. WHEREAS, concurrent with this HCSP Uniform Resolution, and as a continuing obligation, this governing body has completed, approved, and submitted to MERS documents necessary for participation in and implementation of the HCSP. This obligation applies to any documents deemed necessary to the operation of the Trust Fund by MERS. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body adopts (or readopts) the MERS HCSP as provided below. SECTION 1. HCSP PARTICIPATION EFFECTIVE May 1, 2016, (to be known as the ADOPTION DATE) the MERS HCSP is hereby adopted by the City of St. Clair (A) CONTRIBUTIONS shall be as allowed and specified in the MERS Health Care Savings Program Participation Agreement. Basic Employer Contributions, Mandatory Salary Reduction Contributions, Mandatory Leave Conversion Contributions, and Post-Tax Employee Contributions, shall be remitted pursuant to MERS by the Eligible Employer, and credited to the Eligible Employer's separate fund within the MERS Trust Fund. (B) INVESTMENT of funds accumulated and held in the Health Care Savings Program Trust Fund shall be held in a separate reserve and invested on a pooled basis by MERS subject to the Public Employee Retirement System Investment Act ("PERSIA"), 1965 PA 314, as provided by MERS Plan Document Section 76; MCL 38.1539, and PA 149. (C) THE ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER shall abide by the terms of the HCSP, including the HCSP Plan Document, HCSP Trust Agreement, all investment, administration, and service agreements, and all applicable provisions of the Code and other law. It is affirmed that no assets from any defined benefit health account established under Section 401(h) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be transferred to, or accepted by, MERS. SECTION 2. IMPLEMENTATION DIRECTIONS FOR MERS (A) The governing body of this Eligible Employer desires that all assets placed in its MERS HCSP Trust Fund (as a sub-fund within all pooled HCSP trust funds with MERS) be administered by MERS, which shall act as investment fiduciary with all powers provided under PERSIA, pursuant to PA 149, all applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and other relevant law. (B) The governing body desires, and MERS upon its approval of this Resolution agrees, that all funds accumulated and held in the MERS HCSP Trust Fund shall be invested and managed by MERS within the collective and commingled investment of all HCSP funds held in trust for all Eligible Employers. (C) All monies in the MERS HCSP Trust Fund (and any earnings thereon, positive or negative) shall be held and invested for the sole purpose of paying health care benefits for the exclusive benefit of "Eligible Employees" who shall constitute "qualified persons" who have retired or separated from employment with the Eligible Employer, and for any expenses of administration, and shall not be used for any other purpose, and shall not be distributed to the State. (D) The Eligible Employer will fund on a defined contribution, individual account, basis its MERS HCSP Trust sub-fund to provide funds for health care benefits for "Eligible Employees" who shall constitute "qualified persons" under the Internal Revenue Code. Participation in and any coverage under HCSP shall not constitute nor be construed to constitute an "accrued financial benefit" under Article 9 Section 24 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963. (E) The Eligible Employer designates and incorporates as "Eligible Employees" who shall constitute "qualified persons" under this HCSP Resolution those who are "Eligible Employees as defined in the HCSP Participation Agreement under this HCSP. (F) The Eligible Employer may designate employer contacts who shall receive necessary reports, notices, etc. and shall act on behalf of the Eligible Employer. SECTION 3. EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS HCSP UNIFORM RESOLUTION This Resolution shall have no legal effect until an executed copy of this adopting Resolution is filed with MERS, and MERS determines

that all necessary requirements under MERS Plan Document Section 72, PA 149 and other relevant laws, and this Resolution have been met. Upon MERS' determination that all necessary documents have been submitted, MERS shall execute this Resolution, and return a copy to the Eligible Employer's designated primary contact. In the event an amendatory resolution or other action by the Eligible Employer is required by MERS, such Resolution or action may be deemed effective as of the date of the initial Resolution or action where concurred in by this governing body and MERS (and the Program Administrator if necessary). Section 86 of the MERS Plan Document shall apply to this Resolution and all acts performed under MERS' authority. The terms and conditions of this Resolution supersede and stand in place of any prior resolution, and its terms are controlling.

McCartney moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution (18-06) Establish HSA in MERS Division 20 plan (SCPD) as presented.

Ayes: Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Cedar

Nays: None

### **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

### **REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

**City Superintendent** – Sidewalks are to be clear within 24 hours of snow accumulation. Chief Raker reiterated a snow emergency requires cars off the street and a snow emergency is automatic if the forecast states 4 inches of snow or more. Several media outlets, which include local radio and news stations and local electronic signs, are used to announce a snow emergency. It remains in effect until your road is cleared from curb to curb.

**City Attorney**- None

**City Departments** – There are over 200 businesses located in town. This year's Polar Plunge raised over \$32000 for Special Olympics and broke their fundraising record. Administration will review current water main break notification practices.

**Authority, Board, Commission, Committee Chairman or Council Representative** – St. Clair Historical Commission Annual Report-Bob Freehan, Chairman, presented the museum's annual report. Several points of pride include presentations with a combined total of over 500 in attendance for one or more of the 13 programs, receipt of over 700 new St. Clair related artifact or photo donations and having 20 active volunteers who totaled over 3400 volunteer hours this past year.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Approve proposal from Preferred Construction for Historical Commission Museum project- The St. Clair Historical museum was gifted the paneling from the N. Riverside Belle Reve mansion from the Port Huron Museum. The commission wants to display it appropriately which requires a complete redo of several rooms. Bob Freehan provided a brief history of the importance of the paneling. It originated in England then was shipped across the ocean to the St. Clair location. The mansion was torn down in 1964 but the paneling was salvaged and kept in SC4 and later, the Port Huron museum. The project totals \$40,400. The museum has raised \$22000 towards the project and will continue to request donations and submit grants. However, there are Historical Museum funds available if need be.

Kuffa moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to accept proposal from Preferred Construction.

Ayes: Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Cedar

Nays: None

Approve proposal from Boddy Construction for Palmer Park Replacement Project-Eleven sealed bids were received. Steve Pangori, AEW, stated the recommended motion is to approve the lowest bidder of Boddy Construction and waiving the irregularity of bidder not acknowledging addendum 2 or 3 and contingent on the DNR approval of the proposal. The bid is higher than the grant amount of \$225,000 and city match. The Recreation millage will make up the difference between the grant and the bid price.

Ellery moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to approve proposal from Boddy Construction.

Ayes: Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Cedar  
Nays: None

Approve Special event permit for the St. Clair Little League Parade- Council received a memorandum from Police Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit for St. Clair Little League to conduct their annual opening day parade on Saturday, May 5, 2018. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.

Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve the special event permit as recommended.

Approve Special event permit for Pedal Across Lower Michigan Bicycle Parade- Council received a memorandum from Police Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit for Pedal Across Lower Michigan, PALM, to conduct a bike parade from Riverview Plaza to St. Clair High School on Friday, June 29, 2018 as they end their ride across the state. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.

McCartney moved, Ellery seconded, CARRIED, to approve the special event permit as recommended.

#### **CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – February 9 & February 16, 2018**

Check registers listing the bills for the period ending February 9, 2018 (check numbers 45073-45112) in the amount of \$212,604.42 and February 16, 2018 (check numbers 45113-45167) in the amount of \$181,242.64 were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Ellery seconded, CARRIED (Nay-Klieman), to approve payments of February 9 and February 16, 2018 Claims and Accounts as presented.

#### **PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – None**

#### **MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – None**

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:55pm.

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor

**COMMUNITY PARK, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND  
GREENWAY PLAN CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST**

*By Authority of Parts 19, 703 and 716 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, as amended, submission of this  
information is required for eligibility to apply for grants*

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete, obtain certification signatures and submit this checklist with a locally adopted recreation plan.

All recreation plans are required to meet the content and local approval standards listed in this checklist and as outlined in the *Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plans* provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Plans must be submitted to the DNR **with** a completed checklist that has been signed by an authorized official(s) of the local unit of government(s) submitting the plan. Plans may be submitted at any time of the year, but no later than March 1 of the year the local unit of government is applying for grants.

**PLAN INFORMATION**

Name of Plan:

City of St. Clair Parks and Recreation Master Plan

List the community names (including school districts) that are covered under the plan and have passed a resolution adopting the plan.

County

Month and year plan adopted by the community's governing body

City of St. Clair

St. Clair

February, 2018

**PLAN CONTENT**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please check each box to certify that the listed information is included in the final plan.

☒ **1. COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION**☒ **2. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE**☒ Roles of Commission(s) or Advisory Board(s)☒ Department, Authority and/or Staff Description and Organizational Chart☒ Annual and Projected Budgets for Operations, Maintenance, Capital Improvements and Recreation Programming☒ Current Funding Sources☒ Role of Volunteers☒ Relationship(s) with School Districts, Other Public Agencies or Private Organizations**Regional Authorities or Trailway Commissions Only:**☐ Description of the Relationship between the Authority or Commission and the Recreation Departments of Participating Communities☐ Articles of Incorporation☒ **3. RECREATION INVENTORY**☒ Description of Methods Used to Conduct the Inventory☒ Inventory of all Community Owned Parks and Recreation Facilities☒ Location Maps (site development plans recommended but not required)☒ Accessibility Assessment☒ Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities☐ Waterways Inventory (if applicable)☐ **4. RESOURCE INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)**☒ **5. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANNING PROCESS**

☒ **6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS**

☒ Description of the Method(s) Used to Solicit Public Input Before or During Preparation of the Plan, Including a Copy of the Survey or Meeting Agenda and a Summary of the Responses Received

☒ Copy of the Notice of the Availability of the Draft Plan for Public Review and Comment

Date of the Notice January 17, 2018

Type of Notice Legal

Plan Location City Hall and St. Clair Library

Duration of Draft Plan Public Review Period (Must be at Least 30 Days) 32 days

☒ Copy of the Notice for the Public Meeting Held after the One Month Public Review Period and Before the Plan's Adoption by the Governing Body(ies)

Date of Notice January 29, 2018

Name of Newspaper Times Herald - Port Huron

Date of Meeting February 19, 2018

☒ Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting

☒ **7. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

☒ **8. ACTION PROGRAM**

☒ **9. POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT(S)**

**PLAN ADOPTION DOCUMENTATION**

**APPROVAL DOCUMENTATION:** For multi-jurisdictional plans, **each** local unit of government must pass a resolution adopting the plan. Prepare and attach a separate page for each unit of government included in the plan.

☒ 1. Official resolution of adoption by the governing body dated: Febraury 19, 2018

☒ 2. Official resolution of the City of St. Clair Council Commission or Board,  
recommending adoption of the plan by the governing body, dated: February 19, 2018

☒ 3. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to County Planning Agency dated: February 27, 2018

☒ 4. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to Regional Planning Agency dated: Febraury 27, 2018

**OVERALL CERTIFICATION**

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*I hereby certify that the recreation plan for*

City of St. Clair

(Local Unit of Government)

*above and as set forth by the DNR.*

*includes the required content, as indicated*



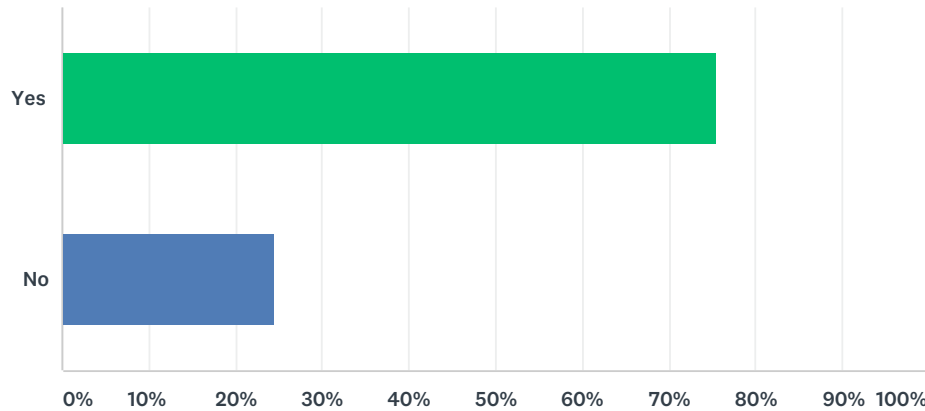
Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government

3/12/18  
Date

**This completed checklist must be uploaded in MiRecGrants.**

## Q1 Are you a resident of the City of St. Clair?

Answered: 224 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	75.45% 169
No	24.55% 55
TOTAL	224

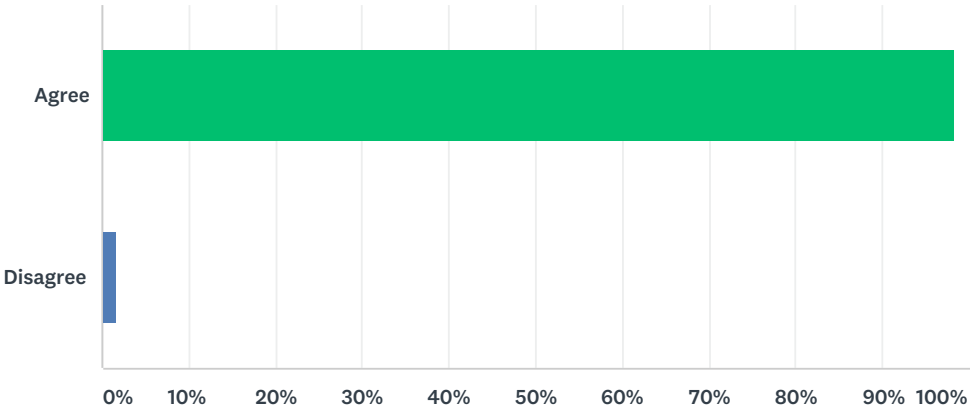
#	IF YOU ARE NOT A RESIDENT, WHERE DO YOU LIVE?	DATE
1	East China	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
2	Kalamazoo, but I grew up in St. Clair	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
3	St. Clair Township	8/21/2017 9:00 PM
4	Saint Clair Township	8/21/2017 9:53 AM
5	. St. Clair Township	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
6	East China	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
7	St Clair Township	8/20/2017 8:38 AM
8	St Clair Twp	8/20/2017 8:18 AM
9	St Clair township. (Use rec services for mult years)	8/20/2017 8:12 AM
10	China mi 48054	8/19/2017 7:54 PM
11	1022 Henry St	8/19/2017 12:06 PM
12	marysville	8/19/2017 10:23 AM
13	East China	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
14	Saint Clair township	8/18/2017 9:20 PM
15	China, mi	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
16	Meldrum Circle	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
17	China Township	8/18/2017 12:34 PM
18	St. Clair Township	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
19	St. Clair Twp.	8/18/2017 10:30 AM
20	Dearborn	8/17/2017 7:13 PM

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21	China two	8/17/2017 5:53 PM
22	St. Clair Township	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
23	St. Clair Twp.	8/17/2017 1:09 PM
24	St clair twsp	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
25	Highlands	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
26	St Clair Township	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
27	East China Twp	8/13/2017 8:44 PM
28	St Clair township	8/13/2017 1:18 PM
29	St clair township	8/12/2017 9:11 AM
30	East China	8/10/2017 4:10 PM
31	St. Clair Twp.	8/10/2017 11:44 AM
32	East China Twp	8/10/2017 10:49 AM
33	St. Clair Twp	8/10/2017 9:56 AM
34	China Twp.	8/10/2017 8:38 AM
35	240 E. Meldrum Circle	8/10/2017 6:36 AM
36	Chesterfield, but I lived in St Clair for 20 years. I still go there twice a week.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
37	Casco, but soon to be China twp	8/10/2017 4:40 AM
38	Easy China currently	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
39	China township	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
40	St Clair Twp	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
41	SC township	8/9/2017 10:19 PM
42	Marysville	8/9/2017 9:56 PM
43	China, Twp.	8/9/2017 9:54 PM
44	East china	8/9/2017 9:30 PM
45	East China	8/9/2017 9:25 PM
46	1827 S. Delano	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
47	China twp	8/9/2017 8:36 PM
48	China Twp.	8/9/2017 8:31 PM
49	St Clair Township	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
50	China Twp	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
51	St. Clair Township	8/9/2017 7:57 PM
52	China twp	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
53	St. Clair Township	8/9/2017 2:55 PM
54	St. Clair Township	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
55	St. Clair Twp. now, we just moved out of city of st. clair	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
56	East China Resident (Business Owner in St. Clair)	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
57	St Clair Township	7/15/2017 1:46 PM
58	St. Clair Twp and own businesses in St. Clair	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
59	Marysville	7/7/2017 4:47 PM

Q2 Parks and recreation are important to the overall quality of life in the City of St. Clair.

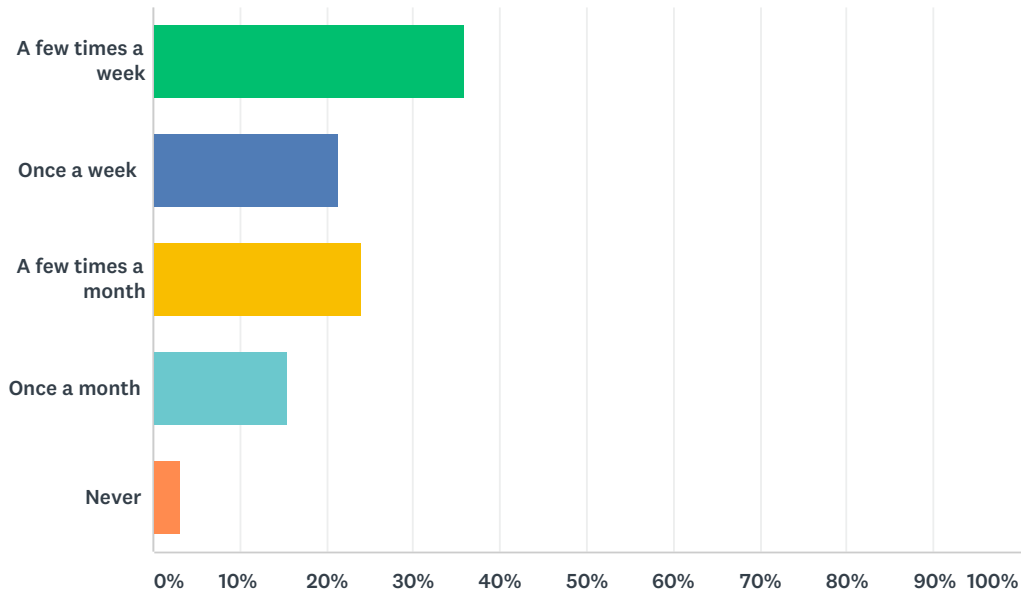
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	98.23%	222
Disagree	1.77%	4
TOTAL		226

Q3 How often do you visit a park in St. Clair?

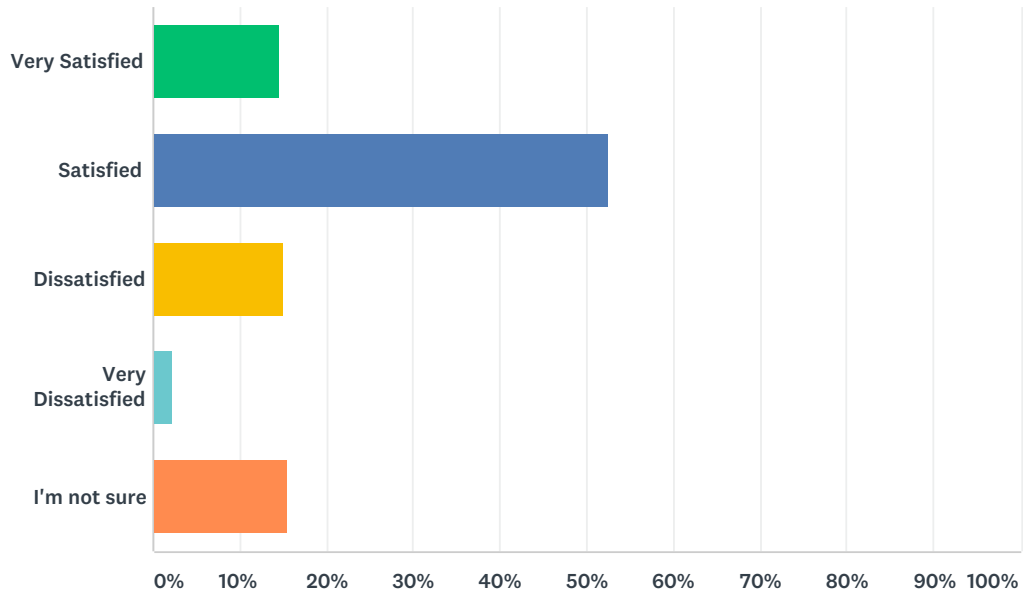
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
A few times a week		36.00%	81
Once a week		21.33%	48
A few times a month		24.00%	54
Once a month		15.56%	35
Never		3.11%	7
TOTAL			225

## Q4 How satisfied are you with the recreational programs offered by the City of St. Clair?

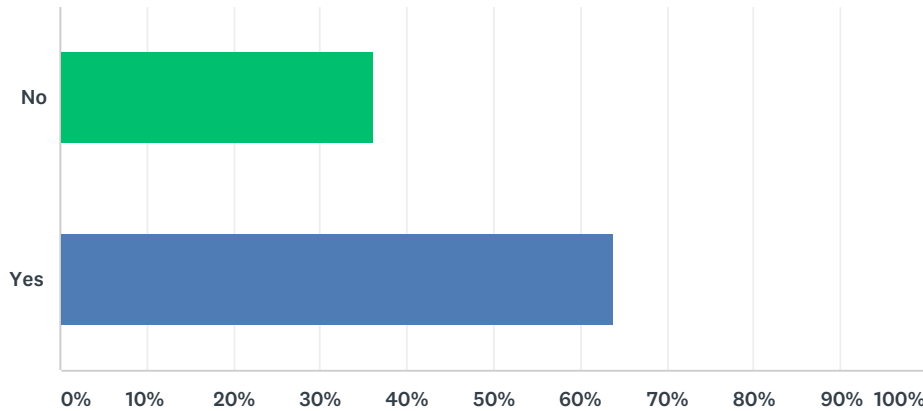
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very Satisfied	14.67%	33
Satisfied	52.44%	118
Dissatisfied	15.11%	34
Very Dissatisfied	2.22%	5
I'm not sure	15.56%	35
TOTAL		225

## Q5 Do you feel the City of St. Clair should offer more recreational programs in addition to current offerings?

Answered: 216 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
No	36.11% 78
Yes	63.89% 138
TOTAL	216

#	IF YES, WHAT PROGRAMS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE?	DATE
1	Courses in the arts and music	8/30/2017 2:27 PM
2	Indoor swimming lessons for children in the evening.	8/30/2017 1:19 PM
3	Splash pad, more restaurants	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
4	Boating and sailing programs, as a boating town, I feel like kids should understand more about the water and how to enjoy it. Also the sport of sailing!	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
5	More youth activities/sports programs.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
6	Need more pickleball	8/28/2017 4:32 PM
7	Something unique. I saw adult "playground" equipment - unique to our area, maybe located on the East lawn of the senior housing building. Explore unique ideas for Klecha field, maybe something as simple as a splash pad.	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
8	I don't have specific ideas, but I believe expanding recreation programs in general is important.	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
9	I feel you need to look at the Marysville Rec department. They do a great job offering lots of different options. We use their rec department more than SC.	8/22/2017 3:59 PM
10	I would like to see drop in programs for kids in the winter... movie nights, game nights, legos etc. I also think it would be good if the city offered a more sufficient summer day camp that covers the average working hours of parents.	8/21/2017 9:00 PM
11	I would like to see more family activities.	8/21/2017 4:06 PM
12	Outdoor pickleball. Programs for active senior citizens.	8/21/2017 9:53 AM
13	More women's toning classes in the evening when most women are home from work and can go.	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
14	Senior related to include programs, travel and special events	8/21/2017 7:18 AM
15	Somethingfor all ages. A Walking club would be fun.	8/20/2017 7:42 PM
16	Paddle boarding	8/20/2017 12:01 PM

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17	Adult evening walk and swim programs. I still work and the programs offered, the last time I looked, did not run late enough for me to use.	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
18	More things to do as a community. Include the surrounding townships as well. Love the kayak and cycle events Peter Michael has started. Love the Jazz festival that happened this weekend. More opportunities like that. Would love to see a workout class in the pool besides lap swim with more opportunities than 1 class a week.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
19	More affordable options, more for kids	8/20/2017 10:43 AM
20	More events for teenagers	8/20/2017 8:26 AM
21	Seems over the years, the choices for older kids like teens has dwindled.	8/20/2017 8:12 AM
22	More for young children	8/20/2017 7:57 AM
23	I think that they are doing a great job, so, I was just speaking in general about making changes and improvements.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
24	more senior programs	8/19/2017 12:06 PM
25	Year round swimming so I don't have to go to the YMCA with water slides and splash pad More options for our middle school and high school and young adult residents	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
26	Toddler activities. Perhaps karate or soccer.	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
27	More exercise options for adults	8/18/2017 9:20 PM
28	More programs directed at children to get them out an involved and more activities for seniors.	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
29	Need a Senior Center for social events and to arrange trips etc.	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
30	More kid programs	8/17/2017 10:55 PM
31	Tai Chi, kickball, bacgammon	8/17/2017 6:36 PM
32	Adult exercises classes that are reasonable price More kid programming, Similar programs to the YMCA	8/17/2017 5:53 PM
33	Many boomers are a large part of today's population. I would like to see more offered for Senior Citizens, esp. in the area of water exercise.	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
34	please maintain the programs that you have currently	8/16/2017 3:37 PM
35	I would like to see a lap swimming program offered for adults where you can drop in swim laps and go home and not lose the duration where you can swim 4 days a week all year long with out a pause for more then a week or two because you lose your momentum and endurance from a 4 or 6 week break .	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
36	More activities for toddlers	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
37	Volleyball	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
38	The city needs to handle and improve on what they already offer. Quality is more important than quantity.	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
39	More concerts	8/13/2017 8:44 PM
40	To be honest, I don't know of a lot of activities offered. When I do look at the brochure, most of what I see is geared toward older people. Like trips to a casino. I don't care about that. If you were to add more programs, I am all for everything that promotes kids and health or gives moms a break. In addition, a running club, walking, etc might be good for other things.	8/12/2017 11:47 AM
41	Adult females only basketball, volleyball league or drop in play. Badminton.	8/12/2017 9:55 AM
42	Cooking classes Karate	8/11/2017 9:31 PM
43	Department seems to stay current with the community needs....	8/11/2017 4:02 PM
44	More programs for adults, such as yoga, physical fitness etc. The same programs are offered yearly. Need some new activities.	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
45	Baking or cooking lessons for kids ~ Now with that said, I'm not dissatisfied with our program offering but I think this would be a good addition if possible. Small Groups offered over the course of the whole year.	8/10/2017 3:55 PM

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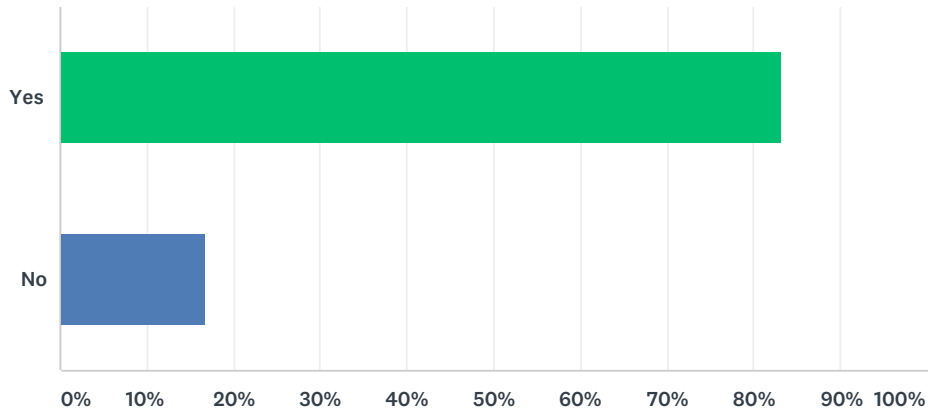
46	More programs directed towards the arts; music, theater, etc	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
47	Soccer clinics maybe for 3year olds or any sports clinic for that age.	8/10/2017 1:47 PM
48	Maybe a kids' yoga program?	8/10/2017 1:39 PM
49	More teen things. Wider selection of people, groups, and business involvement as a whole. I would like to see a relationship with them, this, and beautification of the city in general. Details count. Work with school kids more, especially at the upper ed level clubs. They have great ideas! Provide information and links for businesses and offerings around the town. Create a Facebook account, twitter account, and instagram account. Create a better, user friendly website.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
50	Not sure	8/10/2017 10:49 AM
51	If you can find good things to do	8/10/2017 10:45 AM
52	More swimming stuf, maybe a clean up for the parks. A kids day.	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
53	More dance/gymnastics, roller hockey (Greig Park)	8/10/2017 10:13 AM
54	I think the rec department offers a great variety of programs. I am always interested in what is new and unique.	8/10/2017 9:42 AM
55	Outdoor fitness stations, and improved walking paths.	8/10/2017 6:36 AM
56	I'd like to see more diverse things. I've always felt that the city offers a "lite" version of most programs. For instance, dance. It's okay, but not good. It keeps kids busy, but doesn't push them to excel.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
57	Splash pad at east China park.	8/10/2017 4:40 AM
58	Yoga, more evening programs	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
59	- Year round swim lessons	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
60	Hip hop cardio classes like they have at YMCA in the evening Things for special needs children	8/9/2017 11:06 PM
61	Bring dance offerings up to previous standards/offering	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
62	Athletic clubs or leagues for adults.	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
63	Adding more family friendly events year round for all ages. More sports/activities for younger children 0-5	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
64	Crafts, more trips/outings	8/9/2017 10:19 PM
65	Take control of the BP Trail... it has been neglected and needs major improvement	8/9/2017 10:15 PM
66	More recreational sports programs for kids during summer.	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
67	Drop in style family events. Im a single mom and work shifts that rotate each week. Anything offered on a schedule is difficult for us.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
68	More for preschool aged kids in the summer and some stuff for adults maybe in the evenings. I've always thought a ball room dance class would be fun.	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
69	We need a city run community center so we can move our programs out of the schools and have the programs in one place with gyms, rooms for programing, such as yoga, dance, tots, gymnastics, zumba and the big dream of an indoor/outdoor aquatic facility that would be available to the public with programs all year long!!!!!!	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
70	Sports for young kids aka sporties for shorties Cheer program More classes for tots like Port Huron offers	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
71	More programs for kids ages 2-5.	8/9/2017 9:30 PM
72	Little kids cheerleading. Sportys for shortys.	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
73	Tennis, swim lessons, softball camps. More programs offered in the afternoon and evenings.	8/9/2017 9:25 PM
74	I think they offer a lot.	8/9/2017 8:42 PM
75	More programs for smaller children I just finished Sporties for shorties in Marysville and my 3.5 year old loved it we need more programs for the little ones.	8/9/2017 8:36 PM
76	Kids volleyball basketball	8/9/2017 8:32 PM

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77	Bigger pool, better hours	8/9/2017 8:31 PM
78	Exercise class for arthritis, fibromyalgia, etc. A walking program for adults.	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
79	Not necessarily more programs but offer them at times when working parents could utilize the program as well.	8/9/2017 8:26 PM
80	I'd like to see some evening options since I'm a working mom with a toddler. All the toddler activities are during the day when most people work.	8/9/2017 8:18 PM
81	Bring back theater for the kids	8/9/2017 8:17 PM
82	Nothing particular, just think it's good to add new things now and then.	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
83	Dance or other sports for kids	8/9/2017 7:55 PM
84	More community building events other than run/walks etc. Especially family friendly options. More opportunities to utilize under used spaces like the old little league park, the skate park, the field next to imagination station.	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
85	More options for kids, spots fill quickly Maybe more fun runs	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
86	It would be nice to have more programs for kids below age 4, I think right now the only one offered is gymnastics. Also overall some non-athletic programs like art class, or drama, or cooking classes for kids. Some of these types of classes could perhaps be adapted for kids with autism/special needs.	8/7/2017 12:02 PM
87	Not sure, I am still learning where to find out about things as I am new to the area. I don't have cable tv but have Facebook. Do you usually post things there? For example, trying to find out about music in the par, k, like a listing as I have seen posted for business, but I don't know where to find it online. Communication about events doesn't seem to be the greatest. Maybe I need to get on a mailing list or an email list?	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
88	More sports for kids. Cooking for adults. Yoga for kids. More sessions. Art classes for kids.	8/4/2017 1:55 AM
89	Swimming/exercise for senior citizens	8/3/2017 11:55 AM
90	I love to see the variety of programs for kids that Marysville offers.	7/29/2017 10:02 AM
91	Senior center. Mah jongg, cards etc. marine city has very nice facility and many activities.	7/29/2017 6:55 AM
92	Enrichment programs for adults	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
93	Children's programs! Sports like soccer, or volleyball, roller hockey even basketball camps. Maybe some more diverse sports. There is not a lot of programs for Elementary aged students besides swimming and tennis.	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
94	Theater workshops, art workshops, more tennis at cheaper rates	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
95	More "cerebral" offerings as opposed to those that involve physical activity--euchre tournaments, chess club, book clubs, etc. Most of the activities that are offered are great for able-bodied folks but don't offer much for those who have mobility issues or are physically not capable of such activity.	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
96	Arts, health, nature, community-building, mental wellbeing.	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
97	My wife is a nurse and her schedule is tough during the week. Saturday mornings seem to be the best time for us. Can there be more programs offered on the weekend?	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

Q6 Do you feel the parks in the City of St. Clair are in good condition and well-maintained?

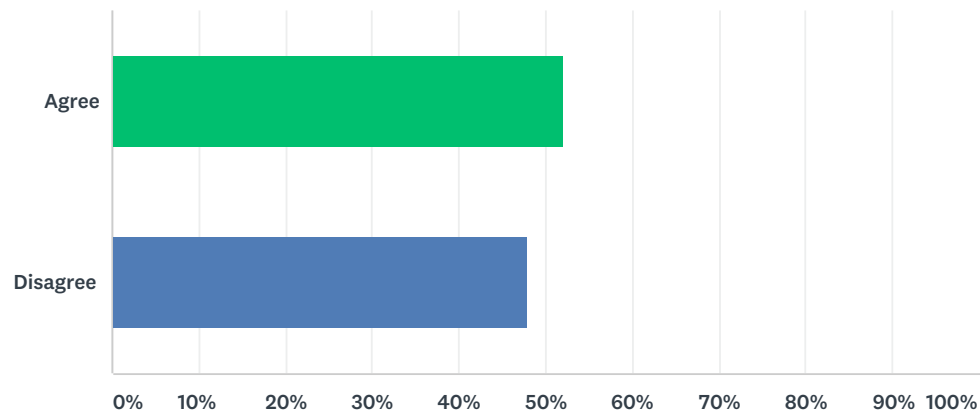
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	83.33%	185
No	16.67%	37
TOTAL		222

Q7 The City should develop an additional park in an appropriate location.

Answered: 221    Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Agree		52.04%	115
Disagree		47.96%	106
TOTAL			221

## Q8 What improvements would you like to see at Greig Park, if any?

Answered: 111 Skipped: 115

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More picnic areas. If someone has the pavilion for a family event. There should be a few more tables for others to sit and enjoy the park.	8/30/2017 4:38 PM
2	Splash pad! More places to sit and watch the kids.	8/30/2017 1:19 PM
3	bathrooms!!	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
4	The Imagination Station playground needs repairs and up keep!	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
5	Splash pad/water feature for kids. Additional climbing structures for kids (5-10). Greig Park seems to be directed toward ages 3-5.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
6	Real bathrooms like east China park	8/29/2017 6:44 AM
7	Nothing specific	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
8	I would love a splash pad!	8/21/2017 9:00 PM
9	Splash park for the small kids	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
10	Splash pad, working water fountain. Maybe pavillion type bathrooms, bot porta pottys	8/20/2017 1:50 PM
11	Disc golf and fix the box dirt track.	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
12	The pavilions don't seem to be used much, replacing those with a splash pad right in the city would encourage kids to get outside and play on hot days without requiring parents to drive far	8/20/2017 11:07 AM
13	We need a nature trail more accessible for strollers. Last time I was on the trails, we had to cut the walk short and carry our grand baby out because the trail was too choppy.	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
14	It's a good park. There is something missing. Maybe more seating or a pavilion close to the kid play area. If you are going to expand maybe include tennis courts or more basketball area.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
15	More seating around the play area. With only two benches and the table, it gets pretty busy at peak usage times.	8/20/2017 8:40 AM
16	Upkeep trails and the play structure.	8/20/2017 8:38 AM
17	More benched	8/20/2017 8:26 AM
18	Water spray pad for kids. Add cameras for wooded trails so kids are not drinking and smoking pot in the wooded area. Add rest rooms.	8/20/2017 8:18 AM
19	I just worry about some of the dead trees in the woods behind the park and behind city hall. They just seem dangerous.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
20	The Park simply needs a face-lift. I love taking my kids there, but the park (specifically the play ground) is showing its age. The chains are broken/breaking, one of the slides has a broken-off piece that I always push back in place, the tire-ladder is dangerously warn down, hanging monkey-bars are missing in the children's area, the music-bar thing in the middle is missing half the balls that make it work, the spider-web situation is out of control, and more. Seriously, the spiderweb situation should be addressed monthly. The main structure is large and seemingly structurally sound. The "bones" of the playscape are good. It needs a considerable facelift with many, many "smaller" updates/changes. I meet many people from outside St Clair that enjoy our Park. I think it's well worth the tax payers money to get this Park up to date.	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
21	ban the mosquitos	8/19/2017 10:23 AM
22	Love greig park! But again would love if there was a "tot" section that was safer for very little ones or play on.	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
23	Restrooms and more seating	8/18/2017 9:20 PM
24	It is so well kept always looks nice	8/18/2017 5:29 PM

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25	Aquatics Center	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
26	A lot of the wood structure is run down and broken. The climbing area that has chains is an example. Maybe a new toddler area.	8/18/2017 10:15 AM
27	More seating	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
28	Some wood needs to be replaced, cleaning of the playground	8/17/2017 10:55 PM
29	None	8/17/2017 5:53 PM
30	Safety checks for little ones	8/17/2017 4:19 PM
31	build a more permanent restroom facility	8/16/2017 3:37 PM
32	Does not involve me any more	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
33	Splash pad	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
34	Keep up with curb appeal	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
35	Better restrooms. The current restrooms are a deterrent from renting the pavilion space for a party.	8/13/2017 1:18 PM
36	It's always clean. But you could spray for bees around the play structure.	8/12/2017 4:14 PM
37	None	8/12/2017 11:47 AM
38	Splash pad added to one of the parks.	8/12/2017 9:55 AM
39	N/A	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
40	Splash pad	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
41	Real bathroom with running water and flush toilets	8/10/2017 10:04 PM
42	Updated play structure, new volleyball court.,better pathways on the nature trail with activities to engage children.	8/10/2017 8:21 PM
43	Splash pad	8/10/2017 5:04 PM
44	I'd like to see waterpark/splash pad for our kids. I know there was talk about it several years ago behind or adjacent to the existing skatepark but I think we should have one.	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
45	Bathrooms	8/10/2017 3:01 PM
46	Restrooms	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
47	It is getting a littel run down. I think it is time for some maintenance of the play equipment. I think the trails are a little confusing, but I am the kind of person that gets lost easily. If there is funding for a real bathroom with running water and a changing table, that would be amazing!	8/10/2017 1:39 PM
48	Close streetside exit from playscape.	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
49	I think it's nice the way it is. The parking lot needs some cleaning up.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
50	Maybe a splash pad? Something to bring "out of town" people to?	8/10/2017 12:08 PM
51	Modify hockey rink for ice hockey in winter.	8/10/2017 11:44 AM
52	Would love to see a new pool facility there.	8/10/2017 11:43 AM
53	New colors. While the wood is nice and almost iconic, it's outdated. No events happen there. It's like the city itself is afraid to touch if.	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
54	Bathroom facilities other than port-a-potties	8/10/2017 10:13 AM
55	The play equipment had been in disrepair and lacking in wood chips. My children are older now, so we don't stop as often, but maintaining the park for the littles is especially important.	8/10/2017 9:42 AM
56	Splash pad for kids	8/10/2017 8:38 AM
57	None	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
58	Imagination Station needs updating and maintained better.	8/10/2017 6:36 AM
59	I was part of the initial inception, and I'm impressed with how good it still looks.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
60	More basketball courts	8/10/2017 5:46 AM

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61	Maintain trails better.	8/10/2017 12:02 AM
62	It would be nice to have a beach area in St Clair	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
63	Splash pad	8/9/2017 11:06 PM
64	I would like to see a gated fence around the playscape	8/9/2017 10:57 PM
65	Seperate play area for toddlers - the current setup ends up with too many older kids running very close to young kids and their parents. Also, a splash pad or something like that would be amazing.	8/9/2017 10:51 PM
66	Working drinking fountains by ththe playground	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
67	Better maintenance of the play structure. Better lighting for basketball court.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
68	N.a.	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
69	Replace broken equipment. Add a water park like the one in Marysville	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
70	None	8/9/2017 10:15 PM
71	N/A	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
72	Splash pad. Permanent restrooms. Covered pavilion closer to the structure for parents to let kids play and be kids.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
73	Better safety. It's hard to keep an eye on your child running around bc you can't see from one side of the structure to the other and if you have more then one child it's really difficult. It's actually the reason we don't go to Greg park to play bc I can't see all my kids at the same time from any one spot in that park. And it's too close to the woods where someone could grab my kid and sneak off.	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
74	Totally re-do the play structure that now out dated and in some places, dangerous.	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
75	Bring back the bouncy bridge Fix all the broken stuff Add a splash pad area	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
76	BATHROOMS! The porta-potties are always disgusting and located at the other side of the park.	8/9/2017 9:30 PM
77	Fix broken parts of park. Add a splash pad.	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
78	Maybe a little more up keep on the trails. Signs/map saying which way to go. I like the new trail map. Is there some on the trails? I really enjoy the park overall. Permint bathrooms.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
79	Skatepark upgrades. The dirt piles should be gotten rid of!	8/9/2017 9:18 PM
80	More wood chips applied to the trail. There is usually not many and it's a muddy mess	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
81	Real bathrooms!!	8/9/2017 8:57 PM
82	Continued maintenance.	8/9/2017 8:56 PM
83	I think the play structure needs to be redone. It was build 24 years ago	8/9/2017 8:42 PM
84	Restrooms ! Not porta pottys	8/9/2017 8:36 PM
85	Bicycle rental	8/9/2017 8:34 PM
86	Boardwalk update	8/9/2017 8:31 PM
87	None	8/9/2017 8:18 PM
88	I'd like to see a water park like algonac and Marysville so the kids have some relief especially those that are young. Preferably somewhere near shade	8/9/2017 8:17 PM
89	Adding anything new big or small would be a huge excitement for the kids.	8/9/2017 8:13 PM
90	Update and check safety measures.	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
91	N/A	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
92	None	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
93	Restroom facility	8/9/2017 7:57 PM
94	Major maintenance to the play structures is needed	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
95	The woods cleaned out of all the fallen trees and the garbage pick up some back in the woods.	8/9/2017 7:38 PM
96	Maybe better bathrooms	8/9/2017 5:12 PM

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97	Court lighting and playground lighting	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
98	Wood re-enforcement, painting/staining the boards in brighter colors. Replace chains and swings as needed. Possibly add some spinning type rides like the new ones in Marysville.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
99	dog park	8/9/2017 3:32 PM
100	More trails	8/9/2017 2:55 PM
101	I need to ask my kids and maybe have them respond to this. Nicer bathrooms like what the city of Marysville has at their park on the water would be nice. I hate to go as I think they are outhouses at Grieg park. Drinking fountain if there isn't one would be good. I'd like to see entertainment there like what they have downtown.	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
102	Fix playscape. New pavilion with clean spaces.	8/4/2017 1:55 AM
103	A splash pad would be awesome	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
104	None	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
105	Butterfly garden	7/19/2017 6:49 PM
106	Grieg park scares me because of all the dead trees around it. I fear they might fall on my children. But the equipment itself is fine.	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
107	Clean up the play castle and replace broken parts.	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
108	Imagination Station needs to be brought up to current safety codes	7/8/2017 7:19 AM
109	Like it as is	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
110	Trail art, children's or sculpture garden	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
111	My family goes to Greig park a lot. My kids love the playground and I walk my dog on the wooded trails. The playground has some broken equipment that should be fixed or updated such as the trapeze rings, zipline track, and chain bridge. I'm not impressed with the chain bridge repair because my kids loved the chain bridge and it's solid wood now. I think the park could be enhanced with new equipment that blends in with the current playground. Marysville city park just added some cool new playground equipment that that could be looked into. The trails are great, but some of the bridges and benches are in disrepair. The trail learning signs throughout the trail are great too, but there should be a main map at the trail entry with a summary. A disk golf course and mountain bike trails could be added to enhance the wooded area. A lot of the park had ash trees, most notably by the police station. I think new trees should be planted in that space to restore the lost beauty. The hockey rink needs permanent boards because the current boards are tattered and get knocked over anyway. I also think the rink should be flooded in the winter for ice hockey.	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q9 What improvements would you like to see at Legacy Park, if any?

Answered: 75   Skipped: 151

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	a park for younger kids to play on	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
2	Is there a reason to continue spending money on it? it's awesome, but I have heard they are going to continue expanding...not sure why they need to? I think money could be spent elsewhere possibly	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
3	Playground area/play set	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
4	Lights	8/22/2017 7:58 PM
5	Nothing specific	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
6	Playgrouond	8/22/2017 3:59 PM
7	Covered dugouts! A playground!	8/21/2017 9:00 PM
8	Better bathrooms	8/20/2017 1:50 PM
9	More bleachers	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
10	Haven't been to the park yet. Seems like there should be a bike path to the facility to make it more accessible on such a busy road.	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
11	A play area for the kids that do not play ball. Loved that aspect when games were played at Klecha.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
12	Open up the second bathroom. It's a long walk from the t-ball fields to the constraint strand.	8/20/2017 8:40 AM
13	This is where a restaurant belongs. Not concession stand food but I'd like to see good food with outdoor seating.	8/20/2017 8:38 AM
14	I personally have not been put there related to my children are grown, but I have heard and agree that maybe the front area be developed for a park with play area etc. maybe splash pad etc	8/20/2017 8:12 AM
15	I haven't been there yet, but it looks really nice from what I can see.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
16	Unsure where that is	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
17	More seating	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
18	None	8/17/2017 5:53 PM
19	just continue to maintain it	8/16/2017 3:37 PM
20	Does not involve me any more	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
21	Swing set/play structure	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
22	Fields maintained better. Job becomes harder when playing catch up.	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
23	I didn't know we had a Legacy Park	8/12/2017 11:47 AM
24	Sidewalks to each field. It is difficult for me to walk safely on the bumpy ground. My Amigo.scooter has an awful time going through.	8/12/2017 5:41 AM
25	N/A	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
26	Not any that we can think of.	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
27	Lights on the Boys and girls fields	8/10/2017 9:19 PM
28	More seating and picnic tables	8/10/2017 5:04 PM

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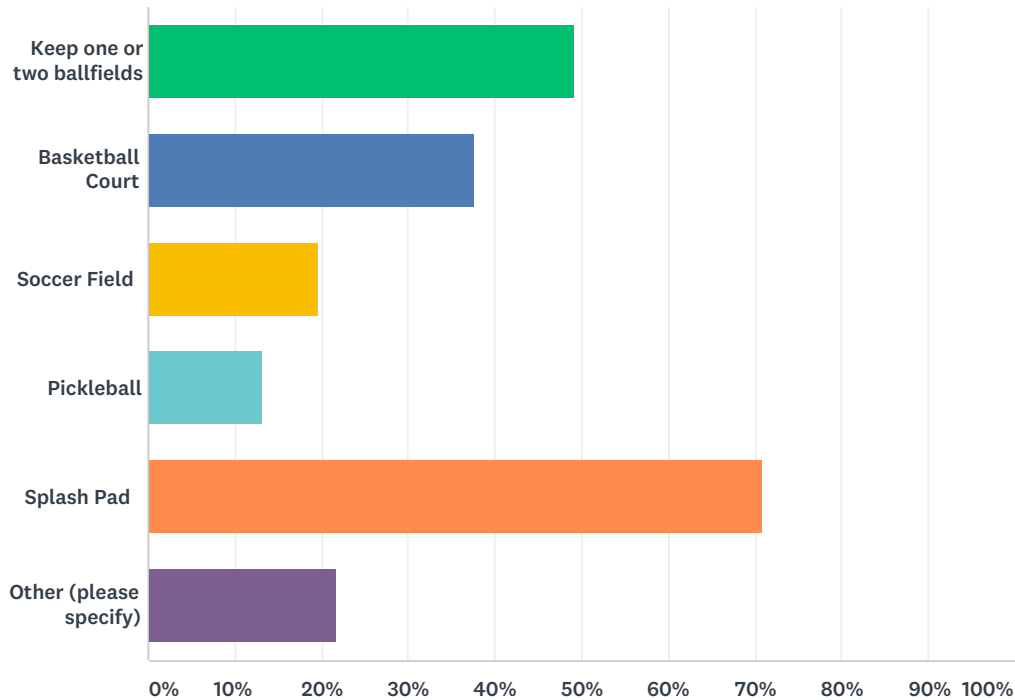
29	PLAYGROUND equipment. This has been a big topic! I know one parent in particular said she was there to watch baseball/softball and not to play but she has ONE child. Those of us with several children need option ~ LONG hours are spent at the field with all aged kids and there is nothing for the siblings to do. Sometimes we are there from 4:30 until after 8:00 PM when they all have games. We need something more	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
30	Splash pad	8/10/2017 3:01 PM
31	Playground and basketball courts. Some trees around the outskirts and the drive way. The speed limit taken down in that area.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
32	None	8/10/2017 11:44 AM
33	Playground	8/10/2017 11:19 AM
34	More parking	8/10/2017 10:49 AM
35	Hoes about more tables? Or a telescope.	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
36	Some sort of play structure centrally located for siblings to play.	8/10/2017 10:13 AM
37	None	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
38	Better parking areas	8/10/2017 7:36 AM
39	None.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
40	.	8/10/2017 12:02 AM
41	Play ground for the kids not playing baseball	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
42	None	8/9/2017 10:57 PM
43	Play structure	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
44	Non of my grandchildren are old enough to play ball yet & I have only been there twice. I can't comment.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
45	N.a.	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
46	NA	8/9/2017 10:15 PM
47	Lighting towers for Fields 1,4 and 5. Scoreboard added to Field 5.	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
48	N/a	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
49	Nothing	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
50	They got what they wanted! Let's work on new projects!	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
51	Put the playground in Pave Finish projects before seasons start	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
52	Pave parking and driveway. Put in playground. Add playhouses, tree house.	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
53	A playground for kids not play. The path way all the way out to field 9. Pave the parking lot.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
54	Playground equipment.	8/9/2017 9:08 PM
55	Continued maintenance.	8/9/2017 8:56 PM
56	Bicycle rental	8/9/2017 8:34 PM
57	None	8/9/2017 8:18 PM
58	Possible lights for the parking lots and maybe even a few fields.	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
59	N/A	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
60	None	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
61	None.	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
62	Paved drive and stop lights out front	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
63	Paved parking, playground for siblings that are too little for little league or not playing	8/9/2017 4:39 PM
64	Improve parking and entrance / exit routing.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
65	playoff stadium	8/9/2017 3:32 PM

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66	Access to river	8/9/2017 2:55 PM
67	Never been to Legacy Park I don't think.....Not sure on this one. Not sure where it is. I have only lived in St Clair about 2 yrs, but plan to stay!!	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
68	Any room for disc golf course around ball fields?	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
69	Playground area for kids	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
70	None	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
71	Equal facilities for softball	7/19/2017 6:49 PM
72	Paved road	7/15/2017 1:46 PM
73	The driveways and parking lots need to be paved	7/8/2017 7:19 AM
74	Don't know where this park is?	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
75	My kids have not started playing there yet. With the park's proximity to the Pine River, has the city looked at adding a kayak launch?	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q10 What multi-use amenities would you like to see at Klecha Park (check all that apply)?

Answered: 189 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Keep one or two ballfields	49.21% 93
Basketball Court	37.57% 71
Soccer Field	19.58% 37
Pickleball	13.23% 25
Splash Pad	70.90% 134
Other (please specify)	21.69% 41
Total Respondents: 189	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Maybe an outdoor stage or amphitheater for small plays, outdoor movies, ceremonies, live bands etc.	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
2	Walking trail along Pine River.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
3	I was very disappointed to see that part of the fence was removed from the field last month. That field is the one used most . This is one of the few areas kids can go at the south end of town To make room for the cement where part of the play ground is the worst idea, why can't the land south of the cemetery be used? That makes so much more sense in so many ways!	8/20/2017 7:42 PM
4	Enlarge cemetery, we have enough ball fields.	8/20/2017 3:07 PM
5	Picnic and playground area.	8/20/2017 10:53 AM

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6	Love the splash pad idea! Not much for those that live South of the bridge. A better drinking fountain and bathroom facilities. Lighting would help.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
7	Please don't get rid of this recreational area!	8/20/2017 8:08 AM
8	Ohhh, definitely something with a water feature! We live by so much water, yet's it's hard for kids to get wet, except for at the pool.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
9	St Clair deserves a splash pad	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
10	Multi use court	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
11	A decent volleyball court or two with lights	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
12	Updated play structure	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
13	Racquet ball court, badminton court	8/12/2017 9:55 AM
14	I'm a senior citizen and can't answer that.	8/12/2017 5:41 AM
15	Dog park	8/10/2017 1:45 PM
16	Do not know this park	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
17	anything	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
18	Dog park	8/10/2017 11:54 AM
19	These would all be great for that end of town	8/10/2017 10:45 AM
20	Hiking trails	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
21	Multi purpose	8/9/2017 10:15 PM
22	small dog park	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
23	Pond	8/9/2017 9:18 PM
24	Tennis courts	8/9/2017 9:01 PM
25	Toddler swing, handicap swing, upkeep and upgrade!	8/9/2017 8:57 PM
26	Picnic area	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
27	would be cool to talk to the hard derby association in Canada and maybe put a downhill soapbox derby track which would bring more people to the area	8/9/2017 8:17 PM
28	Lacrosse field	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
29	Most of the options already available in other parks	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
30	Sell the land to future home builders!	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
31	Possible new city pool location	8/9/2017 4:39 PM
32	PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT (MORE AND UPDATED)	8/9/2017 4:39 PM
33	Playground rehab.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
34	ice pond, a playscape	8/9/2017 3:32 PM
35	Again, not familiar with this park.	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
36	Small ring pathway for residents that want a short work out session	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
37	If a splash pad is developed it should be in the same area as the city pool	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
38	None, expand the cemetery	7/8/2017 7:19 AM
39	Tennis court	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
40	Market or music/entertainment venue	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
41	I don't use this park, but I think the city needs a splash pad. A better location for the splash pad could be near the Riverview Plaza to overlook the river and to get more people downtown.	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q11 What improvements would you like to see at the boat harbor, if any?

Answered: 73 Skipped: 153

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	areas for kyacking and canoe dockage / rental / day use.	8/30/2017 2:27 PM
2	New harbor master, new workers	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
3	Pull downs for the sides of the pavilions, a good Master that will work well with the boaters, fight for their needs, work with the state on regulations and changes, and bring more events to the harbor itself!	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
4	Real bathroom access to public My kids love to kayak in the pine river but it's very difficult with a single porta toilet.	8/29/2017 6:44 AM
5	I disslike the portable toilets. All boaters and families should be able to use main restrooms since we buy ramp and season boat passes.	8/28/2017 8:33 AM
6	Something back there for locals...push reasonable priced kayak, canoe, bike, paddle boat, etc rentals	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
7	Nothing specific	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
8	Nice bathrooms	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
9	Cheaper gas, priority dockage for residents.	8/20/2017 3:07 PM
10	Cleaner bathrooms	8/20/2017 1:50 PM
11	Paddle boards	8/20/2017 12:01 PM
12	More community events	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
13	The driveway is very hard to get in when hauling a boat. Expanding the opening of the drive would be immensely helpful	8/20/2017 11:07 AM
14	Never use. Not familiar enough with facility to have an opinion.	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
15	Parking solutions and more importantly don't allow our river/water banks to be lined with any more restaurants. Maybe get info out about the kayak and canoe rentals	8/20/2017 8:38 AM
16	Pool, more fishing areas, more rentals	8/20/2017 8:18 AM
17	Love the boat harbor!!!	8/20/2017 8:08 AM
18	Bring Katie back. She was an asset and I'm not sure why she couldn't be treated with more respect when she reached out to council members. That harbor has improved every moment she was there. Just ask the boaters.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
19	rowboat to rent	8/19/2017 10:23 AM
20	Well kept no complaints except algae late season on launchna	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
21	Discount for City of Saint Clair residents	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
22	Plant more trees.	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
23	Keep the assholes from driving dangerously while exiting onto M-29	8/17/2017 4:19 PM
24	None	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
25	none	8/12/2017 4:14 PM
26	Paddleboard rental!!	8/12/2017 11:47 AM
27	Childrens Play structure	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
28	Fine as it is	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
29	New docks	8/10/2017 4:10 PM

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30	The Boat Harbor is nice but it doesn't seem Citizen Friendly at all. ONLY boaters can use the bathrooms and as a citizen that does not own a boat I never go there other than to launch my kayak and then head straight out feeling like an outcast.	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
31	Get rid of camping - run as a harbor only	8/10/2017 3:01 PM
32	More boardwalk	8/10/2017 1:35 PM
33	Do not use it	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
34	If not a boater, you would go there. So maybe build something and they will come. A specialized cafe of some sort.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
35	Cheaper slips or better discounts for residents, especially those that live in a community that don't allow boats.	8/10/2017 12:08 PM
36	Return of the old management!	8/10/2017 11:44 AM
37	Beach volleyball courts by the floating dock instead of Teds Coney Island.	8/10/2017 11:19 AM
38	Ordinance allowing vendors to sell food with permit	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
39	Restrooms for the boaters who launch their boats there - not porta-johns.	8/10/2017 7:36 AM
40	Something more welcoming. I always feel like I'm intruding on someone else's property when I go there.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
41	More advertising to Know it's available	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
42	.	8/10/2017 12:02 AM
43	Not sure	8/9/2017 10:57 PM
44	Not having a boat I haven't been there enough times to comment.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
45	Offer food truck options maybe on summer weekends, upgrade the camp sites/make more	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
46	Nice to see the sail boat ride advertised	8/9/2017 10:15 PM
47	N/A	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
48	Purchase land from cargill and expand the camping area.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
49	Update/ clean bathrooms	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
50	Cleaner bathrooms	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
51	Not an improvement I think it's great. Can you rent jet ski's? Not sure with insurance and what not.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
52	Kayak launches	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
53	More launch spots, two is not enough for the amount of traffic. Also the turn left then back up all the way down is really odd compared to other launches.	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
54	Bicycle ,canoe, kayaker maybe small boat rental	8/9/2017 8:34 PM
55	None	8/9/2017 8:18 PM
56	Better lighting	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
57	N/A	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
58	Bone	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
59	More rental options	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
60	Interactive business kiosk directing all foot traffic to local businesses.	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
61	Colored wood stain on the decks would be an eye catching and unique addition.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
62	additional ramps, tiki bar, something for the kids	8/9/2017 3:32 PM
63	None	8/9/2017 2:55 PM
64	I do not have a boat, so, no preferences. Maybe the ability to rent rowboats or Kayaks. I understand Pt Huron does that now in some of their parks.	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
65	I haven't looked into it so I'm not sure if it's offered, but jet ski rentals would be great!	8/2/2017 4:02 PM

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66	A playground would be great for families with young kids.	7/29/2017 10:02 AM
67	Have the Harbor Commission consider a slight drop in the RV park rates and dump station, also any chance of relocating the dump station..it's in a terrible location	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
68	None	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
69	Bathrooms should be available for anyone using the marina not just people who have wells.	7/19/2017 6:49 PM
70	Longer Finger Piers for Larger Boats A few locations with 100 Amps for these boats It would be great to have a restaurant on the south side of the harbor, but not necessary.	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
71	The gardens need more attention	7/8/2017 7:19 AM
72	don't know enough about it to comment	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
73	I love the kayak launch. Can the city look at adding a kayak launch upstream on the river west of the railroad tracks near the more scenic part of Pine River?	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q12 What improvements would you like to see at the golf course, if any?

Answered: 58 Skipped: 168

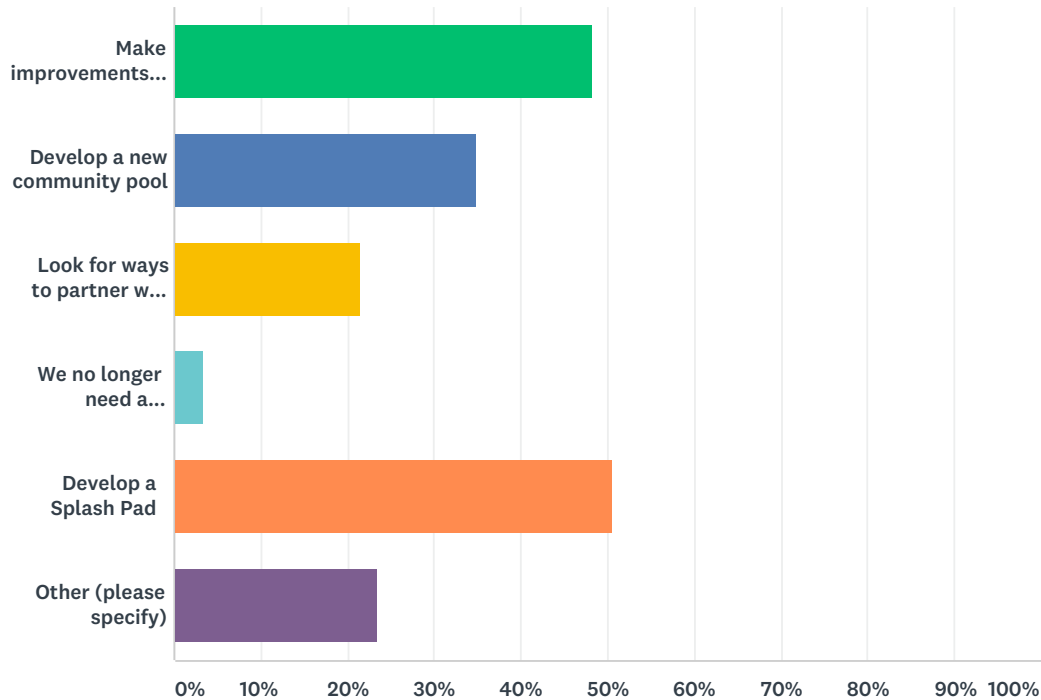
#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Would like to see us get out of the golf business all together.	8/30/2017 2:27 PM
2	Do not visit course enough to know.	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
3	Better grounds-keeping.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
4	Repair drainage issues. There is standing water everywhere!	8/29/2017 6:44 AM
5	Restaurant or weekly bbq events.	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
6	Nothing specific	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
7	Course is good the way it is.	8/20/2017 3:07 PM
8	Never use. Not familiar enough to have an opinion. I have been in the clubhouse and it is very nice. Perhaps a deck for outdoor dining and evening entertainment.	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
9	A children's day. Maybe there is one. But there should be one a few times a month, to introduce all kids. Or, just have people golf at the country club and build houses there. How much do we make as a small city. We could have houses there which would create more tax income.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
10	Na	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
11	Lunch counter	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
12	Discount for City of Saint Clair residents	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
13	Foot Golf	8/17/2017 6:36 PM
14	None	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
15	Driving range	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
16	better maintenance	8/15/2017 2:33 PM
17	none	8/12/2017 4:14 PM
18	Utilize it in the winter. Add Cross country ski tracks or skate skiing.	8/12/2017 11:47 AM
19	Price is play 9 holes of golf is too high	8/12/2017 9:55 AM
20	N/A	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
21	Fine as it is	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
22	Golf Course is fine	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
23	Do not use it	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
24	Golf lessons. Young and old.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
25	Resident rates (not just for annual passes). Better upkeep (sometimes it's really good, and other times it's not).	8/10/2017 12:08 PM
26	None	8/10/2017 11:44 AM
27	Ordinance allowing vendors to sell food with permit	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
28	Beer. Seriously, a beer cart would be great. Not having that deters people from golfing there.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
29	Never used	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
30	.	8/10/2017 12:02 AM
31	I do not play golf but would know if they had lessons to be taught	8/9/2017 10:57 PM
32	A few more sand traps Remove far left tee box on number 6. It invites people to hit over the river which is dangerous. More yardage markers on the sprinkler heads	8/9/2017 10:43 PM

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33	Not a golfer but the club house is great for functions. I hear good things about the course. The bathrooms with access from the outside are a WELCOME addition.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
34	Water fairwaysand Greens more	8/9/2017 10:15 PM
35	N/A	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
36	N/a	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
37	None	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
38	N/A	8/9/2017 9:25 PM
39	I love it.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
40	None	8/9/2017 8:18 PM
41	None	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
42	N/A	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
43	None	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
44	It's a waste of space, this area would make an amazing mixed use space. Put in an amphitheater, a frisbee golf course, mini golf course and more of us who don't golf could enjoy the beautiful property.	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
45	New parking lot.	8/9/2017 7:38 PM
46	None	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
47	None	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
48	N/A - I wish the city did not own this property, but I understand why they have kept it. It is in very good shape due to the maintenance crew.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
49	later golf cart rentals { at least to 6pm } would like to see the kitchen and bar utilized for patrons	8/9/2017 3:32 PM
50	None	8/9/2017 2:55 PM
51	Haven't checked it out yet, but would like to!	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
52	Great and well-matured course	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
53	None	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
54	More lessons for youth	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
55	Turn into more harbor options - send golfers to other courses!	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
56	The greens and tee boxes need to be enlarged	7/8/2017 7:19 AM
57	Don't use it--have used the building for some events and a revamping of the kitchen to make it more convenient to use might increase the use of the facility for dinners and such	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
58	The golf course is great for kids, so I think adding Junior golf memberships and lessons would be great. Since there a few holes that are very close together, I think there should be more protection from misfired shots between greens and tee boxes.	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q13 What are your thoughts on the community pool (check all that apply)?

Answered: 209 Skipped: 17



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Make improvements to the existing pool at its current location	48.33%	101
Develop a new community pool	34.93%	73
Look for ways to partner with neighboring townships on a community pool	21.53%	45
We no longer need a community pool	3.35%	7
Develop a Splash Pad	50.72%	106
Other (please specify)	23.44%	49
Total Respondents: 209		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Never been there	8/30/2017 4:38 PM
2	Water-slide(s). Staff is outstanding!	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
3	I really like that the pool is within city limits. Please add lap swim time!!	8/29/2017 6:44 AM
4	Maintain current pool as budget will allow	8/28/2017 8:33 AM
5	Allow funding for extended schedule. Memorial Day thru Labor Day.	8/20/2017 7:58 PM
6	Keep the pool is good working order	8/20/2017 7:42 PM
7	Keep existing pool, if not feasible, use high school pool. It just sits unused all summer.	8/20/2017 3:07 PM
8	If you were to create a new community pool and area. Defiantly a zero entry area or splash pad.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM

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9	A rec center like Macomb has with indoor basketball courts, gym, and pool.	8/20/2017 8:38 AM
10	Let the rec committee fund raise, that was the silliest move by council, not letting them raise funds for a new pool.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
11	Add waterslides and opportunities to bring more people in to utilize pool	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
12	I would like to see a year-round aquatics center!	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
13	Better maintenance at city pool locker rooms...they are filthy! Who is responsible, anyway?	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
14	Don't use	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
15	A pool indoors year round for winter programs	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
16	Would love to see a state of the art pool with upgraded amenities.	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
17	A larger pool area with grass and trees and better amenities	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
18	if property does not sell keep existing pool otherwise look at options for a pool in another city location	8/15/2017 2:33 PM
19	Music playing during some of the open swim times	8/12/2017 9:32 PM
20	Keeping the pool open depends on how often the public uses it. Is it worth keeping open?	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
21	The pool is NOT family friendly at all in terms of those that don't want to swim. Nothing but concrete pad and a parking lot. No trees or shade or Snack bar or.....I think that pool in that area is a has been pool We need to think more like a Grosse Pointe where every "section" or village has access to wonderful areas of play and swim.	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
22	I love the community pool! Keep it, but maintain it.	8/10/2017 1:39 PM
23	Just do not get rid of it. All my grandkids learned to swim there. Buy season passes every year	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
24	This is one of those things that is awesome. Do not take this away. Improve it, build a new one, add on there if you can. It's too bad that entire building sitting there doesn't become a community center...gym, work out, clubs, splash pads, better pool etc. Center of town. Perfect location. Add green though.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
25	It's a great pool	8/10/2017 10:45 AM
26	It wouldn't hurt to branch out. There are kids who want a little something more and we are falling flat. The old pool could easily be updated with a slide.	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
27	Some sort of water slide incorporated	8/10/2017 10:13 AM
28	Love our pool	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
29	Find a way to be open earlier and later into the season.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
30	Indoor/outdoor aquatic center! I can dream!	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
31	New pool with features that will bring people in. Lazy river, splash pad, ex	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
32	Would love to see Saint Clair and the neighboring twps join in and build a nice pool and splash pad.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
33	Whether it is improvements to the existing pool or a new one, the city should have a community pool.	8/9/2017 9:08 PM
34	The pool is needed! The pool has saved many lives through swimming lessons, plus it is a safer alternative to the river, especially for younger kids. Just think about how many drownings are prevented because of the availability of the pool.	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
35	Add some shade around it	8/9/2017 8:17 PM
36	I think the community pool is an important asset. A new pool with added features could be a draw and a centerpiece for our community (think Macomb Township on a bit smaller scale). At the least, we should maintain the pool we have. For many kids this is a safe place to cool off or hang out on long summer days while parents are at work.	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
37	We are there daily, and love it. 0	8/9/2017 8:13 PM
38	More shade	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
39	Please keep pool outdoors and as close to original location as possible	8/9/2017 8:07 PM

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40	OK, now I am really surprised, had no idea we have a community pool!!	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
41	The pool is terrible! Went one time with family and will not return. Poor floor surface. Terrible changing rooms. Not kept up around the pool. Overall bad experience.	8/4/2017 1:55 AM
42	Swimmercize: At times it is obvious that women's facilities have not been cleaned from previous day.	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
43	We use the pool 3-4 times a week. Love it	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
44	We should improve or redo the city pool where it is and create a splash pad near by. A splash and pool should be in the same location, this would improve pool and splash pad business.	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
45	Relocate pool to kletcha and include a splash pad	7/19/2017 6:49 PM
46	Advertise it! Didn't know there was a community pool. We don't have enough information to say if it is good or bad.	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
47	Please put a sun shade over the pool- it is so unnecessarily hot and a lack of shade is horrible... And I don't mean two tables with umbrellas that are constantly taken	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
48	Splash pad would be a better fit at Greig park or Palmer park than at the current pool	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
49	Macomb township has a great pool/recreation facility. Bill Macdonald had a plans a few years ago on a recreation facility. I think the city should pursue something similar that could also draw residents from outside the city and generate revenue.	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q14 The three things I like the most about parks and recreation in the City of St. Clair are:

Answered: 135    Skipped: 91

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Favorite #1	100.00% 135
Favorite #2	82.96% 112
Favorite #3	60.00% 81

#	FAVORITE #1	DATE
1	Cleanliness	8/30/2017 4:38 PM
2	Clean	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
3	The boardwalk	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
4	Fairly clean.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
5	Summer swim team	8/29/2017 6:44 AM
6	Palmer park and boardwalk	8/28/2017 8:33 AM
7	City pool	8/22/2017 7:58 PM
8	Location, particularly Palmer and Greg parks	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
9	Nicely maintained	8/21/2017 9:00 PM
10	Pickleball	8/21/2017 9:53 AM
11	Clean	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
12	Clean	8/21/2017 7:18 AM
13	City Pool	8/20/2017 7:58 PM
14	Good for kids	8/20/2017 3:07 PM
15	YAPS	8/20/2017 1:50 PM
16	Bands downtown	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
17	Children's movie nights	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
18	Love that the parks are taken care of.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
19	Clean & well maintained	8/20/2017 8:26 AM
20	That there are several to choose from!	8/20/2017 8:08 AM
21	programs improve, evolve	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
22	Pool	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
23	Grieg park	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
24	quiet	8/19/2017 10:23 AM
25	Well maintained	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
26	Clean	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
27	Our parks are beautiful	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
28	Palmer Park	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
29	Good summer programs	8/18/2017 10:15 AM

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30	Locations	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
31	The water	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
32	Dog friendly	8/17/2017 6:17 PM
33	Local-close to home	8/17/2017 5:53 PM
34	Piped in music	8/17/2017 4:01 PM
35	Water exercise class outdoor pool	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
36	Cleanliness	8/17/2017 1:09 PM
37	greig park	8/16/2017 3:37 PM
38	Down town park but needs concession and a decent bathroom	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
39	Pool	8/16/2017 10:33 AM
40	Location	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
41	Local	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
42	Offers something for all age groups	8/15/2017 5:45 PM
43	programs offered	8/15/2017 2:33 PM
44	Areas of out of doors for people to enjoy	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
45	Swimmercize Program at the City Pool	8/13/2017 8:44 PM
46	Cost of programs are affordable	8/13/2017 1:18 PM
47	the wide variety of choices available	8/12/2017 4:14 PM
48	LOVED the kid program when my kids were growing.	8/12/2017 11:47 AM
49	Things are well maintained	8/12/2017 9:55 AM
50	Palmer Park is beautiful and handicap accessible.	8/12/2017 5:41 AM
51	The YAPS program	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
52	They are used by many many people	8/11/2017 4:02 PM
53	The boardwalk by the river	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
54	Well maintained	8/10/2017 10:04 PM
55	Clean	8/10/2017 9:19 PM
56	That we even have an active parks and rec program and program manager	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
57	Well maintained parks	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
58	Parks	8/10/2017 1:47 PM
59	Accessibility of the riverfront/boardwalk	8/10/2017 1:45 PM
60	The quantity of parks!!!	8/10/2017 1:39 PM
61	Greig park was designed by elementary students	8/10/2017 1:12 PM
62	All well taken care of	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
63	Beautiful view upkeep	8/10/2017 12:11 PM
64	They are kept clean. A definite effort is noticed and appreciated.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
65	Pool	8/10/2017 11:43 AM
66	Boardwalk	8/10/2017 11:32 AM
67	Variety of parks by water and other areas	8/10/2017 11:19 AM
68	How close they are to the water.	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
69	Summer activites	8/10/2017 10:13 AM
70	The variety of parks and recreation opportunities.	8/10/2017 9:42 AM

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71	Well kept	8/10/2017 8:38 AM
72	Clean	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
73	They offer space for community activities.	8/10/2017 6:36 AM
74	There are many.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
75	Convenient	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
76	The diverse offerings	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
77	Trails	8/9/2017 11:06 PM
78	Cleanliness	8/9/2017 10:57 PM
79	Safe	8/9/2017 10:51 PM
80	The Pine Shores Golf Course is a great little course to play with my son who is learning thabout game.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
81	Greg park is accessible from the bike path.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
82	Clean	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
83	The parks we do have are great	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
84	Yaps	8/9/2017 10:19 PM
85	Walking distance	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
86	Always clean	8/9/2017 10:09 PM
87	Legacy Park	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
88	View of the river.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
89	Program's for the young and old	8/9/2017 9:54 PM
90	The Variety	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
91	Palmer Park	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
92	Safe parks	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
93	Assortment of park locations	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
94	Tailored toward little kids	8/9/2017 9:25 PM
95	They always seem clean.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
96	The prices	8/9/2017 9:08 PM
97	Open space	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
98	Palmer park activities	8/9/2017 9:01 PM
99	Open space, nicely maintained.	8/9/2017 8:56 PM
100	Trice! She's amazing and really works with people	8/9/2017 8:32 PM
101	Trails	8/9/2017 8:31 PM
102	The pool	8/9/2017 8:29 PM
103	Pool!	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
104	City pool	8/9/2017 8:26 PM
105	Love the nice big play ground at the park	8/9/2017 8:17 PM
106	The pool	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
107	Well maintained	8/9/2017 8:13 PM
108	N/a	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
109	Clean	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
110	Having a community pool that belongs to St. Clair only	8/9/2017 8:07 PM

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111	Fabulous Dance programs for littles!	8/9/2017 7:57 PM
112	Yaps program	8/9/2017 7:55 PM
113	The trails at Greig Park	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
114	Parks	8/9/2017 7:38 PM
115	They have several options for kids	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
116	Subtlety	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
117	Location near Police Dept for Greig Park	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
118	palmer park	8/9/2017 3:32 PM
119	Palmer park	8/9/2017 2:55 PM
120	Pricing of the programs	8/7/2017 12:02 PM
121	The natural beauty	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
122	The pool	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
123	Swimming for seniors	8/3/2017 11:55 AM
124	lots of programs to choose from	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
125	Locations of parks are great	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
126	the outdoor swimming pool	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
127	The city pool	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
128	Swim lessons	7/19/2017 6:49 PM
129	Programs	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
130	St. Clair Harbor - The Harbor is very welcoming	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
131	Close by	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
132	I am just glad we have them	7/8/2017 7:19 AM
133	The variety of parks from nature trails to boardwalk to sports events	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
134	Easy access	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
135	Trails at Greig Park	7/3/2017 1:04 PM
#	FAVORITE #2	DATE
1	Welcoming appreance	8/30/2017 4:38 PM
2	Easy access	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
3	The plaza courtyard	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
4	Staff is friendly.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
5	Swimming pool	8/29/2017 6:44 AM
6	Bike path	8/28/2017 8:33 AM
7	Summer events downtown in general	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
8	Free	8/21/2017 9:00 PM
9	Great location	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
10	Great locations	8/21/2017 7:18 AM
11	Palmer Park / Boardwalk	8/20/2017 7:58 PM
12	Car show	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
13	Concerts in the park	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
14	There is alot of options in the program.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
15	Place to hang out in summertime	8/20/2017 8:26 AM

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16	for a small town, we have a lot of options and programs	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
17	Locations	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
18	Walking/bike path that runs by the railroad track	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
19	well maintained	8/19/2017 10:23 AM
20	Safe	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
21	Good parking	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
22	We have a good summer swim program	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
23	Bike paths	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
24	Clean parks	8/18/2017 10:15 AM
25	Clean and neat	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
26	Board walk	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
27	Cleanliness	8/17/2017 6:17 PM
28	Doggy doo dispensers	8/17/2017 4:01 PM
29	Greig Park	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
30	Presence of employees	8/17/2017 1:09 PM
31	community pool	8/16/2017 3:37 PM
32	Imagination station	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
33	Clean	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
34	Well communicated	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
35	Great summer entertainment	8/15/2017 5:45 PM
36	Opportunities for people to be involved physically	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
37	Evening open swim at the City Pool	8/13/2017 8:44 PM
38	the cleanliness and up keep of the parks	8/12/2017 4:14 PM
39	Nice variety of things to do	8/12/2017 9:55 AM
40	Concerts are great.	8/12/2017 5:41 AM
41	There are programs for all age-groups	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
42	The parks are all well maintained... and improved annually	8/11/2017 4:02 PM
43	The fireworks on the 4th of July	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
44	Swings	8/10/2017 10:04 PM
45	Kids have fun	8/10/2017 9:19 PM
46	The discounts for residents of St. Clair	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
47	Friendly staff and volunteers	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
48	Variety of activities at Grieg Park	8/10/2017 1:45 PM
49	Trails at Greig Park	8/10/2017 1:39 PM
50	The parks have growing potential	8/10/2017 1:12 PM
51	Free	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
52	Access easy	8/10/2017 12:11 PM
53	They are busy.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
54	Play station at Greig park	8/10/2017 11:32 AM
55	Children's program options	8/10/2017 11:19 AM
56	The ability to bring neighbors, families and friends together for recreation and entertainment	8/10/2017 9:42 AM

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57	Updated	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
58	Variety	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
59	Tidy	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
60	Cleanliness	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
61	Grieg park	8/9/2017 11:06 PM
62	Safe	8/9/2017 10:57 PM
63	Good people	8/9/2017 10:51 PM
64	Legacy Park is an impressive addition to our city park!!	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
65	Rental options are varied & affordable.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
66	Safe	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
67	Family friendly events	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
68	They offer rec programs for youth	8/9/2017 10:19 PM
69	Kids love playing on the structures	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
70	Used alot	8/9/2017 10:09 PM
71	Klecha Field	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
72	My son always asks to go to the Imagination Station. He doesn't get bored of it.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
73	Most of the time the parks are clean	8/9/2017 9:54 PM
74	Good pricing	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
75	pool	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
76	Dance class option	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
77	Always improving	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
78	The quality	8/9/2017 9:08 PM
79	Dog friendly	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
80	The boardwalk along the river	8/9/2017 9:01 PM
81	Boardwalk.	8/9/2017 8:56 PM
82	Greig park	8/9/2017 8:29 PM
83	Great parks!	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
84	Greig park	8/9/2017 8:26 PM
85	The rec classes	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
86	Fun for kids	8/9/2017 8:13 PM
87	Well Maintained	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
88	Competitive Swim Team	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
89	The parks are well maintained	8/9/2017 7:57 PM
90	Greig park	8/9/2017 7:55 PM
91	The board walk	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
92	Pool	8/9/2017 7:38 PM
93	Year round activities	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
94	Scenery	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
95	Equipment is in generally good shape	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
96	pine shores	8/9/2017 3:32 PM
97	Greig park	8/9/2017 2:55 PM

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98	Instructors/staff of the programs	8/7/2017 12:02 PM
99	Cleanliness	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
100	The classes	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
101	Accessibility	8/3/2017 11:55 AM
102	Facilities are always clean and well maintained	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
103	Generally always clean (Klecha needs some TLC)	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
104	access to the high school pool fall and winter	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
105	Movie night at boardwalk	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
106	Open swim	7/19/2017 6:49 PM
107	Swimming amenities	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
108	Very active maintenance program - flowers etc.	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
109	Relatively clean	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
110	Convenient locations, walkable from many parts of town	7/7/2017 7:11 PM
111	Diverse	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
112	Playground at Greig Park	7/3/2017 1:04 PM
#	FAVORITE #3	DATE
1	Family Friendly	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
2	Keeping the natural scenery is nice.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
3	Each park has a unique identity	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
4	Great for small children	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
5	Greig Park	8/20/2017 7:58 PM
6	Riverfest	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
7	Greig Park and Skate Park	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
8	Movies in the park	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
9	Enjoying the river downtown at the boardwalk	8/20/2017 8:26 AM
10	Trice listens to people and their suggestions	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
11	Groomed Landscape (finally)	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
12	Boardwalk	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
13	nice view	8/19/2017 10:23 AM
14	Affordable rec programs	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
15	Well maintainedna	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
16	The kids enjoy the activities we do have	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
17	Concerts	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
18	Local events	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
19	View of the freighters	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
20	Activities	8/17/2017 6:17 PM
21	The boardwalk	8/17/2017 4:01 PM
22	Legacy Park	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
23	Optics	8/17/2017 1:09 PM
24	Skate board park is a great idea	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
25	Size	8/16/2017 6:40 AM

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26	Variety	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
27	Opportunities for people to meet their neighbors	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
28	Swimming lessons at the pool	8/13/2017 8:44 PM
29	easily accessible	8/12/2017 4:14 PM
30	Parks are located within walking distance of most residents	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
31	Trees and bushes are always trimmed by DPD great job	8/11/2017 4:02 PM
32	Classic car show at Palmer Park and Art Fair	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
33	Well maintained	8/10/2017 9:19 PM
34	Imagination Station	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
35	Locations of parks	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
36	Camp sites near boat harbor	8/10/2017 1:45 PM
37	The doggy doo doo bags available at the park	8/10/2017 1:39 PM
38	One close to every citizen	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
39	Many things going on	8/10/2017 12:11 PM
40	People usually respect them.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
41	Music	8/10/2017 11:19 AM
42	The recreation programs and multi use options of the parks.	8/10/2017 9:42 AM
43	Affordable	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
44	Always trying new things. And admitting if they fail.	8/10/2017 6:21 AM
45	Hometown feel	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
46	Beautiful area	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
47	Legacy park	8/9/2017 11:06 PM
48	The metal statues of the children throughout ur parks are my absolute favorite. Classy, whimsical and timeless	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
49	They put out this survey to get opinions from community members	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
50	My childhood memories	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
51	A lot to offer	8/9/2017 10:09 PM
52	Greig Park	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
53	Variety.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
54	Family activities	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
55	Greig Park	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
56	Easy to get to. Love that they all connect by sidewalks/bike path	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
57	Safe and drug free	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
58	Quiet in the parks	8/9/2017 9:01 PM
59	Legacy park	8/9/2017 8:29 PM
60	Good programs for kids	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
61	The parks	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
62	Greig Park	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
63	Welcoming, helpful people	8/9/2017 7:57 PM
64	Yoga in the park	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
65	Many locations	8/9/2017 5:12 PM

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66	Cleanliness	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
67	The sites appear to follow the demands of the residents	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
68	Legacy field	8/9/2017 2:55 PM
69	Convenient locations.	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
70	The parks	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
71	Well maintained	8/3/2017 11:55 AM
72	good number of parks	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
73	Palmer Park...simply refreshing	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
74	the parks	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
75	The city parks	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
76	YAPS	7/19/2017 6:49 PM
77	Play structure s	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
78	Accessibility to the parks - love the music in the park	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
79	Not busy	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
80	Collaboration with public art	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
81	Kayak launch at the harbor	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q15 The three things I like the least about parks and recreation in the City of St. Clair are:

Answered: 107    Skipped: 119

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
#1	100.00%	107
#2	55.14%	59
#3	37.38%	40

#	#1	DATE
1	no running water bathrooms	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
2	The upkeep of the parks	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
3	Parks and recreation department staff at City Hall are discourteous, and unhelpful at times.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
4	Boardwalk is in terrible shape	8/28/2017 8:33 AM
5	Don't like paying non resident fees. Who does?	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
6	Skate park	8/22/2017 7:58 PM
7	Kletcha has always felt neglected	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
8	Lack of decent restroom at Greig park	8/21/2017 9:00 PM
9	Conditions at the indoor pickleball gym.	8/21/2017 9:53 AM
10	Time classes are available no evenings	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
11	My Taxes that pay for non resident	8/21/2017 7:18 AM
12	Too many parks for our population	8/20/2017 3:07 PM
13	Need permanent restroom in Palmer park	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
14	No splash pad	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
15	More programs so people that work during the day can do some of them.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
16	Would like a beach somewhere on river	8/20/2017 8:26 AM
17	Need to do mailers for Twp areas	8/20/2017 8:18 AM
18	no splash pad yet	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
19	When FunFest comes in and takes them away!!!!	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
20	The bike path needs to be extended into town. Too much traffic on Fred Moore for bikes and pedestrians.	8/19/2017 11:24 AM
21	The parks are showing their age	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
22	Lack of variety for recreation programs	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
23	Na	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
24	Cut backs in the number of programs	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
25	Condition of pool locker rooms	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
26	Play structure needs improvment	8/18/2017 10:15 AM
27	Local events	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
28	Old board walk	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
29	Kids up to no good after dark	8/17/2017 6:17 PM

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30	Total disregard to those who live near and border on the parks	8/17/2017 4:19 PM
31	No play ground equipment for kids	8/17/2017 4:01 PM
32	have a year round water exercise class/no breaks	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
33	Pool sessions end for months	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
34	Needs to offer more things to do	8/16/2017 6:40 AM
35	Pool ammenties	8/15/2017 8:08 PM
36	lack of upkeep of Klecha park	8/15/2017 2:33 PM
37	The idea that SC is promotiing cemetery over parks	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
38	City pool needs improvements and upgrades	8/13/2017 8:44 PM
39	Legacy is not handicap accessible in most areas.	8/12/2017 5:41 AM
40	No Splashpad	8/11/2017 4:03 PM
41	Citizens not cleaning up after their dogs!!!!!!!	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
42	No bathroom at Greig park. :(	8/10/2017 10:04 PM
43	Old	8/10/2017 4:10 PM
44	The City Pool	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
45	The parks we have, We do not have the funds to maintain them, in all reality we have to many parks, Truce all you have done is Burden the residents with the up keep expense!	8/10/2017 3:25 PM
46	Variety of programs offered	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
47	No dog park	8/10/2017 1:45 PM
48	lack of "real" bathroom	8/10/2017 1:39 PM
49	Nothing	8/10/2017 12:37 PM
50	The Boardwalk needs improvement. At the North end and or South, it would be nice to add maybe a sand pit for volleyball, a swing set, a slide somewhere. My own kids often say how boring it is down there and how MC hs things to do right by the water. The whole road is too busy. Put in a center divide of green and trees.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
51	Financial commitment	8/10/2017 11:44 AM
52	We are not taking advantage of our beautiful boardwalk for activities. (Volleyball courts, splash pad, etc) marine city has it going on	8/10/2017 11:19 AM
53	How outdated they are.	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
54	Lack of clean bathrooms for young kids	8/10/2017 10:13 AM
55	The lack of bike path down Cox road.	8/10/2017 9:42 AM
56	Satisfied	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
57	They are too small and inefficient.	8/10/2017 6:36 AM
58	Hours	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
59	No beach	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
60	City pool	8/9/2017 11:06 PM
61	Don't hear much about adult programs	8/9/2017 10:51 PM
62	Nothing comes to mind	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
63	City Council being so closed minded about a NEW pool/aquatic facility.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
64	Outdated	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
65	I feel I don't know much about what is offered so getting the word out more would be great	8/9/2017 10:38 PM

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66	We don't have a splash pad	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
67	Nails popping up	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
68	Klecha Field in disrepair	8/9/2017 10:06 PM
69	Classes are not accessible for us.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
70	The safety issues at Greg park	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
71	Present condition of old pool	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
72	Hardly any classes/ activities for kids	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
73	No splash pad	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
74	All programs are during the day.	8/9/2017 9:25 PM
75	I would like more of them.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
76	Need to be able to sign up and pay online	8/9/2017 9:08 PM
77	Need to be smoke free and enforced	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
78	The music in the speakers at the boardwalk	8/9/2017 9:01 PM
79	Not equal in all parts of the city	8/9/2017 8:57 PM
80	I wish yaps would start a little earlier. We are unable to utilize the program due to work times.	8/9/2017 8:32 PM
81	Not enough parks with trails	8/9/2017 8:31 PM
82	Need more stuff for adults to do, especially in winter	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
83	Swim lessons are impossible to get to for working parents	8/9/2017 8:26 PM
84	No on-line registration	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
85	Needs a new something.	8/9/2017 8:13 PM
86	N/a	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
87	Palmer Park could use a splash pad	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
88	I would like beach volleyball in Palmer Park	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
89	Not enough other programs offered	8/9/2017 7:55 PM
90	Poorly maintained playground equipment	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
91	Maybe provide more info	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
92	Poor lighting	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
93	Showing age on the wood structures. (Easy fix with paint and stain)	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
94	The facility at city hall is kind of small for dance and gymnastics, would be nice to have a larger indoor multipurpose facility	8/7/2017 12:02 PM
95	The pool is small	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
96	Older facilities need facelifts	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
97	Lack of options for programs etc	7/29/2017 6:55 AM
98	Pavilions are small, how about a larger one at a park	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
99	better upkeep of the pool	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
100	Lack of attention to the city pool	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
101	Lack of updates we are slacking in comparison to other cities.	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
102	Noise ordinance not enforced on loud mufflers and music from cars	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
103	Old	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
104	Poor infrastructure: crumbling cement, warped boards	7/15/2017 1:46 PM
105	Maintenance is just OK	7/8/2017 7:19 AM

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106	Few trails	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
107	No splash pad for kids	7/3/2017 1:04 PM
#	#2	DATE
1	no splash pads	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
2	Not all parks are being utilized for events or community involvement	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
3	Sign up via internet instead of hard copy needed to be brought to City Hall.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
4	Lack of activities that include special needs children	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
5	City pool feels very outdated and not in an ideal location.	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
6	Carpool for kids that are home alone	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
7	Non-residents using our parks	8/20/2017 3:07 PM
8	Not enough summer activities	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
9	If you don't live in the city but in a surrounding township and your kids go to St. Clair schools why does it cost more to have your kid participate with their friends.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
10	Would like kids splashpad	8/20/2017 8:26 AM
11	I would love to see a bandstand built at the boardwalk, so we don't have to keep renting that trailer thing or use a barge, I've got ideas	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
12	Lack of respect by young people with language - know you can't do much about that.	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
13	No splash pads	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
14	Na	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
15	Difficult to find the seasonal schedule published	8/18/2017 2:36 PM
16	Connections to bike paths.	8/18/2017 11:48 AM
17	Trees need trimming	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
18	No respect for the neighboring residents	8/17/2017 4:19 PM
19	Better advertisement	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
20	The parking at Legacy is horrible!	8/12/2017 5:41 AM
21	High school kids loitering -cussing and swearing	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
22	Worn down	8/10/2017 4:10 PM
23	No Splashpad	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
24	Need improvements to Klecha	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
25	Middle school bike path doesn't link River Rd. via Yankee	8/10/2017 1:45 PM
26	Cops should monitor them more. Make their presence known. Drive in and chat.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
27	How nothing is ever happening at the parks unless it's BIG. (IE Riverfeast)	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
28	Satisfied	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
29	Lighting	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
30	Lack of a nice community center for indoor activities	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
31	The dance programs have diminished in quality & offerings.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
32	Not many options for adults	8/9/2017 10:38 PM
33	Difficult to see change happen with anything in the city of st clair	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
34	Broken equipment	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
35	No easy way to swim in the river. We head to MC beach more often than the pool due to availability.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
36	Lack of adult activities	8/9/2017 9:41 PM

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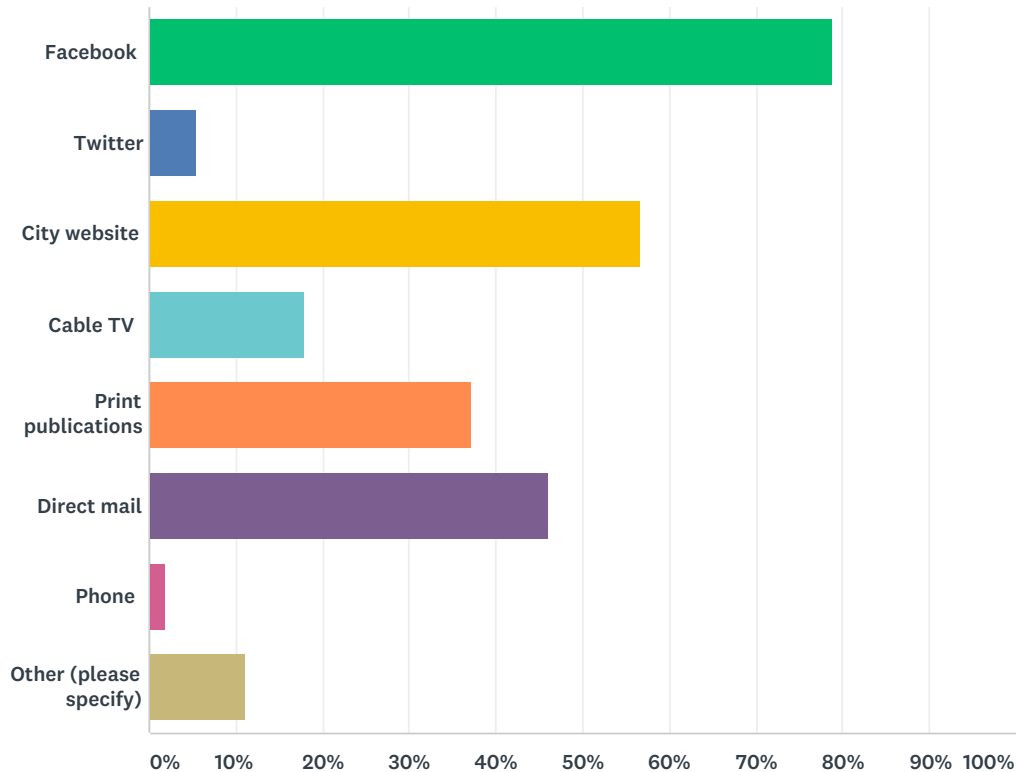
37	Poor water/pool features	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
38	Need repairs and updates	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
39	No splash pad	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
40	The uneven boards at the boardwalk	8/9/2017 9:01 PM
41	I would love night time swim lessons for little kids	8/9/2017 8:32 PM
42	Limited times for working parents (swim lessons only in the AM)	8/9/2017 8:15 PM
43	Palmer Park could use more picnic tables	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
44	A splash pad in Palmer Park	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
45	Not many options for kids dance classes	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
46	Summer options are limited	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
47	Loitering by teens	8/9/2017 5:05 PM
48	Klecha Park was neglected for too long and there is really no parking there.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
49	The classes are outdated	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
50	no splash pad	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
51	Specific Dog park location at a park or its owns location	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
52	better communication for use of high school pool	7/20/2017 2:06 PM
53	Not a lot of water access activitys for a city on a river	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
54	Lack of updates.	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
55	Lack of visible police presence	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
56	No monitoring of teenage vagrants	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
57	Palmer Park needs a permanent restroom not porta potties	7/15/2017 1:46 PM
58	No disc golf	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
59	Outdated playground equipment	7/3/2017 1:04 PM
#	#3	DATE
1	we need more sit down GOOD restaurants	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
2	Stale ideas for entertainment	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
3	More swim lessons offered.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
4	Lack of activities for adults with reduced physical abilities	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
5	Kids of working families lose out!!	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
6	No permanent structure for "performances in the park".	8/20/2017 10:53 AM
7	The more parkland the better	8/20/2017 8:26 AM
8	Find someone else to do the mowing. Andy is an asshole.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
9	Lack of Boardwalk Repair - coming soon I understand	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
10	The board walk needs replacing	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
11	Na	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
12	Plant younger trees	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
13	The director doesn't follow up or return phone calls	8/17/2017 4:19 PM
14	Available facities indoors for winter a sports complex would be great	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
15	The road going into Legacy is even worse!	8/12/2017 5:41 AM
16	Kids laying on the boardwalk and you have to step over them, they block the walkway	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
17	Nothing to do	8/10/2017 4:10 PM

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18	No downtown development	8/10/2017 3:55 PM
19	Cost of programs	8/10/2017 2:19 PM
20	Parking lots and or pavement. So sloppy.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
21	Riverfeast	8/10/2017 10:31 AM
22	Satisfied	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
23	Restrooms	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
24	Winter events	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
25	Maybe more advertisement for events/programs offered	8/9/2017 10:36 PM
26	Missing equipment	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
27	Porta Johns with a 4 year old. Not ideal.	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
28	New programs needed	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
29	No beach! No ones fault lol	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
30	Could use more shade (umbrellas or something)	8/9/2017 8:10 PM
31	The pool does not get the credit it deserves for helping generations of people have a place to learn to swim. The last time someone mentioned putting in a new community pool, one of our council members who is still in board said he thought we did not need a pool because many people have private pools. I disagree. Wealthy people have pools. The middle class and low income residents need a community pool in the city limits (the closer to town the better) to foster a sense of community and to teach people a lifetime activity. We live on the water. People need a place to learn to swim before getting into the big river. Also, I am against putting a recreational facility on Fred Moore Hwy. It is too busy there and takes away from the heart of the city.	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
32	More swim lesson dates	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
33	The pool bottom is sharp and prickly. *** I would love to see a structure cover the whole pool to get a year round draw.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
34	The parks close early	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
35	Boardwalk needs to be replaced	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
36	Tennis courts	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
37	Lack of updates.	7/18/2017 1:56 PM
38	Is there enough safety life rings by the water for all the swimmers?	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
39	Not enough decent nature areas	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
40	No permanant hockey rink boards	7/3/2017 1:04 PM

## Q16 How would you like to receive parks and recreation program information (check all that apply)?

Answered: 217 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Facebook		78.80%	171
Twitter		5.53%	12
City website		56.68%	123
Cable TV		17.97%	39
Print publications		37.33%	81
Direct mail		46.08%	100
Phone		1.84%	4
Other (please specify)		11.06%	24
Total Respondents: 217			

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Email subscriptions, or through an app that can send notifications to everyone that has it on their phones to be informed of major notices or events	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
2	email	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
3	Next door website also	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
4	Text alerts	8/18/2017 10:30 AM

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5	Eamil	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
6	email	8/12/2017 4:14 PM
7	Email	8/11/2017 9:31 PM
8	Have hand out at City Hall	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
9	Remind system via texting	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
10	Email	8/10/2017 12:02 AM
11	Email	8/9/2017 11:44 PM
12	Text	8/9/2017 10:51 PM
13	Email	8/9/2017 10:19 PM
14	Text message	8/9/2017 10:18 PM
15	App	8/9/2017 9:57 PM
16	Text	8/9/2017 9:41 PM
17	J	8/9/2017 9:33 PM
18	Email	8/9/2017 9:25 PM
19	Email	8/9/2017 8:18 PM
20	Schools	8/9/2017 8:07 PM
21	email	8/7/2017 12:02 PM
22	Perhaps via email??	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
23	Community Info Kiosk-Plaza Courtyard area?	7/22/2017 6:53 PM
24	Facebook and Twitter for the young and Direct Mail for anyone over 60 years.	7/17/2017 9:54 AM

## Q17 Please share any other comments or suggestions you may have related to parks and recreation in the City of St. Clair.

Answered: 77    Skipped: 149

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	A water park for the little ones. Algonac has a very nice water park. There really is no place for the younger children to enjoy water. The pool isn't for the younger ones and certainly the lake isn't either. At a park with a water feature Moms can sit on benches stationed around the water area and watch their children play. Moms would also get to socialize with one another. This would be a good thing for our community as it would join people together and the children would have a lot of safe water fun. This type of safe water would be an asset to their development both physically and socially. Adding a picnic area, rest rooms and a playground would make a water park that much more desirable to families and children. Not having to go to Algonac for this or to Marine City for the beach would be wonderful. We are being passed up by Marine City in every way. The town is quant has shopping, speciality foods and many family events. St. Clair needs to help families pull together to enjoy their town day to be proud to live here; this is being lost.	8/30/2017 4:38 PM
2	Please make a splash pad for the kids, also need to have a movie theater and good restaurants, new shops and new businesses	8/30/2017 11:12 AM
3	I would love to see all the parks being used, not just Palmer Park. I think new fun ideas for kids and adults is always welcome, as tradition is respected, new events are always an eye opener for residents and shows them things are being done by Parks and Rec., I appreciate the grant for the boardwalk and am excited for that! An outdoor gym for adults might be kind of neat somewhere as well?	8/30/2017 9:07 AM
4	Don't cancel programs simply due to class size. More programs. I believe this town has tremendous opportunity and potential for growth, and love living here.	8/29/2017 3:27 PM
5	We located here from Grosse Pointe-they are well known for their outstanding city parks in particular their pool size. We miss this greatly!!! We would be thrilled to see new park with a communitu pool here in beautiful St. Clair!	8/27/2017 8:54 PM
6	I think the rec department does a great job. Either add new, fresh ideas or replace some of the same old stuff	8/23/2017 8:43 PM
7	The skate park us nice for the kids, but younger kids can't safely go with some of the older kids there. Too much swearing, smoking and whatever else goes on there	8/22/2017 7:58 PM
8	I would encourage making continuing improvements on existing parks over developing a new one in the near-term, especially the city pool and Kletcha which feel in need of attention.	8/22/2017 7:11 PM
9	Seems to me, that the City could find a way to put some improvements into the indoor pickleball courts. How about some outdoor courts?	8/21/2017 9:53 AM
10	Yoga classes My kids are older now so I need more adult classes!!	8/21/2017 8:48 AM
11	Non city of St Clair Should pay fees like Oxford	8/21/2017 7:18 AM
12	Thank you for finally asking for a survey!!	8/20/2017 7:42 PM
13	Add a food truck day at Palmer park. Also add a rock and blues festival at Palmer park. Love the car show but it ends too early for a Saturday event. It should be a Sunday event. Or keep is on Saturday, let it go later and add a band. Overall, love our parks.	8/20/2017 11:47 AM
14	Doesn't seem like St Clair does a lot to advertise their events. I saw nothing about the Jazz Festival around town. Children's Movie nights and Concerts are here and gone with no real reminders of the coming events. We used to have a sign in the middle of the mall that reminded us of coming events. Perhaps we need to look at something like that again.	8/20/2017 10:53 AM

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15	I hit on women of it in the above question. I live I a township not the city but I have to pay more for some of the programs held on school property that I already pay taxes for. I get that it's a city thing but you do have alot of people in the surrounding areas that would love to participate in since their kids attend the schools. I know i do not get the recreation flyer sent to the townships. You would possible have more participation if you sent to the surrounding area. Would like to see more events that include the businesses we have in the area. Like a taste fest...sample what restaurant's have in the area. Get the businesses names out there in a fun atmosphere where they get involved with the community and then people will use their services more in return. I would also like to see something that would involve a mixture of the young and older people getting together. Have a city wide field day maybe and your teams are mixed with young and old. Hula hoop contests, dancing, relays. We have the fire pits in the plaza have a s'more night . Music always draws people maybe have a themed night and just play the music in the plaza. The people that want to dance dance and some just want to listen and watch the fun. Maybe have golf carts bring the residents of (older folks in the building by the fire dept) down to the plaza so they can feel included. I hope you get some good ideas from everyone. That k you for the opportunity to have my input.	8/20/2017 10:45 AM
16	Need more advertising/ marketing of the things our community has to offer.	8/20/2017 8:38 AM
17	I think overall Trice is doing a great job in her role. I think she has been held back too much in the past. I think we need Katie back at the harbor. Not working with her was a big mistake.	8/20/2017 7:41 AM
18	pool improvement is a must	8/19/2017 12:06 PM
19	I can't stress enough the importance of our pool and how it could be improved with a splash pad and water slides. I would have hoped that the City could have acquired the old Middle School block and use of gyms and tennis courts and enclosure for pool to use year round, include splash pads and waterslides, coffee/juice bar and other eateries, allowing for days of fun and would bring much added attention to our wonderful pool. Having arthritis like many, it is great physical exercise that are unable to walk, run, bike, and do other activities that aggravate the body. The high school pool does not serve us well.	8/19/2017 11:56 AM
20	Things like nice parks and family friendly areas are what many people look for when deciding to raise a family in that area. I moved from Port Huron to St Clair because of the schools and because this city seemed like a great place to raise my kids. Overall, St Clair is doing a good/great job in my opinion of providing the things that make a city great. Since I utilize Grieg Park a lot, I have a lot to say about it. Please give it the facelift it needs.	8/19/2017 11:01 AM
21	A splash pad would be a fantastic addition! As well as programs available to toddlers (18m and up).	8/18/2017 10:52 PM
22	Nice work st clair!	8/18/2017 5:29 PM
23	Please more for the seniors	8/18/2017 9:38 AM
24	I primarily come in the summer to enjoy the beautiful riverfront park. It needs some updating and the grass and sprinklers need some attention. I prefer St. Clair over my present town and wish I could live there. You have a gem of a city. Work on the Inn, too.	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
25	I would like to see an outdoor ice rink all winter long for ice skating and hockey.	8/17/2017 6:17 PM
26	continue the good work that you have done through the years! Certainly continue what you have!	8/16/2017 3:37 PM
27	An indoor sport's complex for all activities at a reasonable price.	8/16/2017 12:52 PM
28	Keep the city pool and maintain it as needed	8/16/2017 10:33 AM
29	We should care more about keeping up our parks and less about adding space in the cemetery	8/15/2017 2:33 PM
30	The city is trying hard with what resources and personal they have. Thank you for that.	8/15/2017 2:23 PM
31	I enjoy walking in the beautiful parks in St. Clair, especially along the waterfront.	8/13/2017 8:44 PM
32	Be more active on social media. These days that's the most effective way to reach people and the first search engine residents choose to use. I'd like to see recreation advertise more on FB	8/13/2017 1:18 PM
33	Put cameras on the boardwalk to discourage some of the damage at that location. (Such as pulling out lights on the Christmas wreath.)	8/11/2017 8:58 AM
34	It's great to see the city taking advantage of our beautiful location with lovely parks and a variety of activities.	8/10/2017 1:45 PM
35	We visit klecha park often bicycle or walking kids enjoy	8/10/2017 12:11 PM

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36	I don't know if they have anything to do with the bike paths, but it would be really great to see those improved somehow. The Boardwalk area as above would be a great step up. Did they remove the cement blocks? How about a slide going in the water.	8/10/2017 12:09 PM
37	My daughter wants longer fireworks. Lol. Maybe a play structure and a pavilion down by the boardwalk so families can spend more time down there. We go there as a family, but don't typically spend more than 15-20 minutes down there.	8/10/2017 12:08 PM
38	If the boardwalk comes under the parks and recreation - it is in need of repair. Keep up the good work!	8/10/2017 11:32 AM
39	Keep both the ball fields at Klecha. There's a lot of history there.	8/10/2017 10:49 AM
40	Spend extra money on fixing SC HWY. Instead of improving parks why don't we fix the dilapidated road required to get to the park.	8/10/2017 8:35 AM
41	They need to be attractive and maintained. Restroom facility should be built at Greig Park.	8/10/2017 6:36 AM
42	Keep costs low. No new taxes	8/10/2017 12:36 AM
43	Love the music down by the boardwalk in the river.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
44	I would like to commend Mrs Hawkins for her DEDICATION to our community! Also the pool staff waking out what life they can from our antiquated pool.	8/9/2017 10:43 PM
45	BP trail maintained	8/9/2017 10:15 PM
46	Our rec program is great offers alote Trisha does wonderful job keeping tabs on stuff if I can add one thing it would be to have yaps longer kids love and get bored in aug	8/9/2017 10:09 PM
47	The aerobic pool program helps so many people who have health problems,I have been going for 10 years and credit it for being able to getting around as well as I do ,thanks to Sue Daniels	8/9/2017 9:54 PM
48	Wish the city could buy the old middle school and turn that entire block into a community center right in the center of town. Move parks/rec office to that site.	8/9/2017 9:38 PM
49	We need a splash pad area and or play area at the boardwalk Picnic tables at the boardwalk Updates to the parks Offer classes and activities for kids. I love Port Hurons rec program. So much for the kids	8/9/2017 9:34 PM
50	Add a splashpad either at Greig or palmer park. Add a playset at palmer park	8/9/2017 9:27 PM
51	I love that our park and rec department always seems to be trying to improve the community. You don't get enough credit for making Saint Clair a great place to live.	8/9/2017 9:22 PM
52	I think we need to focus more on the "mall" downtown, and roads like 3rd street which have been an absolute disaster for far too many years than fixing up parks at the end of summer. There is many issues with the mall and even more with some of they main travelled roads that are torn to bits.	8/9/2017 9:03 PM
53	Keep up the good work	8/9/2017 9:01 PM
54	The upkeep is needed and all parts of town should be equal	8/9/2017 8:57 PM
55	Would like picnic tables at the boardwalk. Caution flashling lights at the crosswalks by plaza.	8/9/2017 8:34 PM
56	I appreciate whats being done with our parks. I don't think new ones are needed but keeping up the ones we have, fixing up the city pool and adding a splash pad somewhere would be very nice additions for our kids.	8/9/2017 8:31 PM
57	The pool needs to be open more than 10 weeks in the summer. If a new pool is going to be built in the future, consider a year-round option like Battle Creek's Full Blast Rec Center. It would be a big draw for young families to move to our town and increase population/tax base!	8/9/2017 8:27 PM
58	I feel my child would attend more programs if they were offered outside of 9-5	8/9/2017 8:26 PM
59	Thank you for all that is done. I look forward to seeing what is in store.	8/9/2017 8:13 PM
60	No	8/9/2017 8:12 PM
61	Keep doing a good job. Please keep a community pool. Either improve existing or build a new one as close to the heart do the city as possible. A beach volleyball area in Palmer Park would be great for teens...	8/9/2017 8:07 PM

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62	I just moved back a few months ago and the city website is hard to navigate and it's hard to find what the rec Dept options and classes are as well as impossible to find information online about renting pavilions or the community center anywhere. It seems very disorganized.	8/9/2017 7:52 PM
63	Every time I have attempted to use the community pool, it was closed early for one reason or another. It's in a hard to find location with poor open swim hours. A website of some kind updating people on the status of the pool would be useful. A splash pad would be great for families in the community and would draw people from outside of the community. More advertising of available programs/parks/walking trails would also be great.	8/9/2017 7:36 PM
64	I feel overall that the parks and recreation program does a great job!	8/9/2017 5:12 PM
65	If volunteers are needed for painting or staining of existing structures, I am in! Please post volunteer opportunities on Facebook or Times Herald.	8/9/2017 3:59 PM
66	Again, it would be nice to have a larger indoor multipurpose facility for use by the recreation programs.	8/7/2017 12:02 PM
67	I already made my comments. I feel I have to dig to find out about things going on, or stop at every business I go to and read on their bulletin boards.	8/4/2017 4:57 PM
68	Swimmercize: Sue Daniels is out because of an injury, and Margaret Pauly is supposed to be taking her place. It is obvious that she doesn't have a clue and even more obvious is that she does not care.	8/3/2017 12:47 PM
69	I really love the idea of a splash pad! It is one of only a handful of things I go out of the city for. I think it would get a lot of use!	8/2/2017 4:02 PM
70	Is there a place for handicapped parking for the residents of The town for the races this weekend ?.	7/30/2017 9:02 AM
71	I would love to see something downtown by the board walk for kids. We love to use that area but the addition of a small play area would be amazing.	7/29/2017 10:02 AM
72	The city pool needs some love (improvements) and if you make a splash put it by the pool	7/20/2017 12:27 PM
73	Let's tone down the out of town managed events and get back to the village! Quickly and before the St. Clair Inn opens. "Let's get back to the Village"	7/17/2017 9:54 AM
74	Skate park could be better regulated - younger kids want to go but hs kids monopolize it and tease and bully others out.	7/15/2017 5:29 PM
75	The parks are like the downtown area, they look tired and well worn. The sidewalks are uneven and curbs have chunks out of them. Areas are upgraded (such as the plaza green area) but are surrounded by old and in disrepair parking lots and walkways. It is time St Clair put a shine on their assets. I use Palmer Park most, it is a gem and the walkways were bricked but the sidewalks to get to it and up and down downtown are uneven with chunks missing, including the roadways. Finally the atrocious road by the post office and library were done but the core of downtown needs to be done where all your visitors see it.	7/15/2017 1:46 PM
76	Imagination station is prime example of community driven space. Check out pomegranate center in Washington state for more ideas on how to develop community spaces. SCAA Public Art would love to collaborate on creative peacemaking. Jason Stier. Jstier@ecsd.us	7/7/2017 4:47 PM
77	The BP trail is very nice, but it looks like it is separate from the city. I think it would be good if the city took over the trail, paved a portion of it for handicap accessibility and added dedicated parking at the entrance. There is no mention of Palmer Park on here. My comment for Palmer Park is to create a safer pedestrian crossing from the Riverview Plaza, using a light or at least a boulevard. The stop signs don't work well. The theaters in Marine City seem to be doing well. To build on that, I think St. Clair could have a theater program for kids. I think it could be possible to convert the old movie theater near the Riverview plaza.	7/3/2017 1:04 PM