

City of Marinette Outdoor Recreation Plan 2019-2023



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CITY OF MARINETTE, WISCONSIN

Resolution No. 09-2019

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE UPDATE TO THE CITY OF MARINETTE
OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN 2019-2023**

WHEREAS, the City of Marinette, is committed to providing outdoor recreational opportunities to residents of and visitors to the City of Marinette; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marinette, recognizes the need for planning in order to meet the needs of park and outdoor recreational facility users; and

WHEREAS, the City's outdoor recreation goals, future projects and maintenance program is identified in the plan; and

WHEREAS, the plan includes highlights of water resources, open spaces in the City of Marinette, and results of a questionnaire asking for input regarding outdoor recreation opportunities.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Marinette hereby approves this *Update to the City of Marinette Outdoor Recreation Plan, 2019 – 2023* as the City's official plan for the development and maintenance of recreational opportunities over the next five years.

Dated this 7th day of May, 2019.

Resolution introduced and adoption moved by Alderperson Hitt.

Motion for adoption seconded by Alderperson Polzin.

On roll call, motion adopted by a vote of 9 ayes to 0 nays to incorporate the following modifications.

- Park Name updates
- Bicycle route and trail comment incorporation, additional language for civic center.
- Funding additions for recreation amenities



Steve Genisot, Mayor
City of Marinette
State of Wisconsin

ATTEST:



Lana Bero, City Clerk

CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide guidance to the City of Marinette for future acquisition, development, and improvement of outdoor recreation and open space facilities. The plan provides details of public recreation and open space areas within the City, along with general information on recreation opportunities on school, county and state properties in the area. The plan will assist the City of Marinette in meeting the present and future outdoor recreational needs of its residents.

The completion of this 5-year Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan followed by the City's adoption of the plan will make the City's projects eligible for various state and federal funding programs through the Wisconsin Department Natural Resources (WDNR). Additionally, the preparation of a plan is an efficient way to plan for the allocation of funds to be placed toward future recreation opportunities in the community.

The inventory of outdoor recreational facilities is included in the document. A questionnaire was posted on the City's website and distributed by the recreation department to gather feedback about outdoor recreational facilities and opportunities. Staff provided input regarding long- and short-term goals of the City's outdoor recreation parks and outdoor spaces.

Potential projects for the future are identified based on input from staff and long term planning initiatives regarding future maintenance and priorities for the City's park system. The goals and objectives are intended to guide future decisions for investment. They begin on the next page.

Goals and Objectives

The City of Marinette has these goals and objectives to guide outdoor recreation planning, coordination, and development.

Goal 1: Continue to maintain the City's outdoor park and recreation facilities.

Objectives: Maintain and improve the accessibility of the City's existing outdoor recreation facilities.

Strive for new and existing facilities to meet the needs of all citizens, including children, teenagers, the elderly, and individuals with mobility challenges.

Provide year-round outdoor recreation facilities and opportunities.

Monitor the general overall condition of the City's outdoor recreation amenities annually, and establish an outdoor recreation Capital Improvements Program.

Goal 2: Protect and enhance the unique natural resources within the City of Marinette.

Objectives: Maintain an awareness of the vulnerability of the City's valuable natural resources, especially the Bay of Green Bay, the Menominee River, the associated beach area(s), and wetlands.

Provide facilities that enable recreational users the opportunity to enjoy the City's natural resources without causing any adverse impacts on these resources.

Goal 3: Use the City's resources efficiently, and enhance funding opportunities for park and recreation needs of the City.

Objectives: Evaluate recreation facility usage.

Monitor state and federal grant programs for future park development. Apply for funds, if appropriate.

Provide adequate facilities at existing parks before any additional park land acquisition.

Determine the costs and benefits of all development of a recreational area prior to undertaking the project.

Goal 4: Provide and improve public access to outdoor recreation land and water.

Objectives: Gather input regarding the City's outdoor recreation facilities. These entities could include the WDNR, Marinette County, snowmobile or bicycle clubs, and others.

Goal 5: Promote recreation as a means to better public health and wellness.

Objectives: Improve the coordination and cooperation of the City and other public or private entities in developing and using all current and future outdoor recreation areas.

Goal 6: Continue to maintain the City's indoor park and recreation facilities.

Objectives: Maintain and improve the accessibility of the City's existing indoor recreation facilities.

CHAPTER 2 DESCRIPTION OF PLANNING AREA

The City of Marinette is bordered by the Bay of Green Bay to the east. To the north, the Menominee River serves as the boundary and separates the City from Menominee, Michigan. The 84-mile-long Menominee River flows into the Bay of Green Bay.

Natural Resources

Upper Green Bay Basin

The Upper Green Bay Basin consists of 18 watersheds in northeastern Wisconsin. The watershed includes all of Florence, Marinette, and Oconto counties and a major portion of Forest County. It also includes smaller regions of Brown, Langlade, Menominee, Outagamie, Shawano, and Vilas counties.

Basin Resources

The basin consists of all waters draining to Green Bay between the City of Green Bay and the Wisconsin-Michigan border. Major river systems include the Menominee, Oconto, and Peshtigo rivers in the north, and the Pensaukee, Suamico, and Little Suamico rivers further to the south.

Menominee River

The Menominee River originates just north of this watershed near Florence, Wisconsin, at the confluence of the Brule River and Michigan's Michigamme River. The Menominee River flows southerly for 84 miles before joining the waters of Green Bay.

Dams have converted 37 percent of the river mileage to impoundments, primarily in areas of higher gradient. More than 70 percent of Menominee River with a gradient greater than 4 feet per mile has been flooded as a result of dam development. These high-gradient reaches are the most productive in terms of aquatic insects and are important for fish spawning habitat.

The Menominee River is managed as boundary water by the states of Wisconsin and Michigan. A specific set of fishing regulations apply to the river. The fish found in this river are lake sturgeon, walleye, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, muskellunge, yellow perch, panfish, suckers, bullhead, carp and forage species.

Other Natural Features

Seagull Bar

The Seagull Bar is a sand spit and marsh on the margin of Green Bay off the City of Marinette. It contains the only true dune complex along the Bay of Green Bay and is an important migratory bird staging area. The sand spit shelters a lagoon and large area of shallow water with emergent vegetation. The eastern edge of the bar has a system of sand ridges and dunes that have resulted from wave action and sand deposits. The acreage of exposed land is always changing due to the bay's fluctuating water level, but the WDNR resources reports the Bar to be 120 acres in size. During some spring and fall migrations, shorebirds by the thousands congregate here. The federally endangered piping plover has attempted to nest here in recent years. Seagull Bar is owned by the WDNR and was designated a State Natural Area in 1962.

The WDNR's State Natural Areas Program is made up of lands owned by the state, private conservation organizations, municipalities, other governmental agencies, educational institutions, and private individuals. Public use restrictions may apply due to public safety, or to protect endangered or threatened species or unique natural features. Lands may be temporarily closed due to specific management activities.

Peshtigo Harbor

The Peshtigo Harbor Unit, Green Bay West Shore Wildlife Area is a 4,894-acre property in Marinette County, approximately seven miles south of the City of Marinette. This area has extensive marshes at the mouth of the Peshtigo River and bottomland hardwood forests along upstream portions of the River. There are approximately 5,800 acres of state ownership in this block. No hunting or trapping is allowed within the posted area during any waterfowl season.

The following recreational opportunities exist at Peshtigo Harbor Unit, Green Bay West Shore Wildlife Area:

- Hunting – forest game
- Trapping
- Hiking
- Biking
- Cross country skiing: A skiing/hiking trail with an educational component has been established along trails in the interior of the property. Both of these trails were developed in cooperation with the Marinette County Land and Water Conservation Department and UW-Extension and funded by the Coastal Watershed Management Program.
- Pets – certain restrictions regarding animals per the WDNR.
- Wildlife viewing
- Berry picking, etc.
- Bird watching
- Fishing
- Canoeing: A self-guided canoe trail has been established on the Peshtigo River running through the wildlife area. A brochure available at the canoe launch below the dam in Peshtigo provides ecological and historical information on several sites along the River.

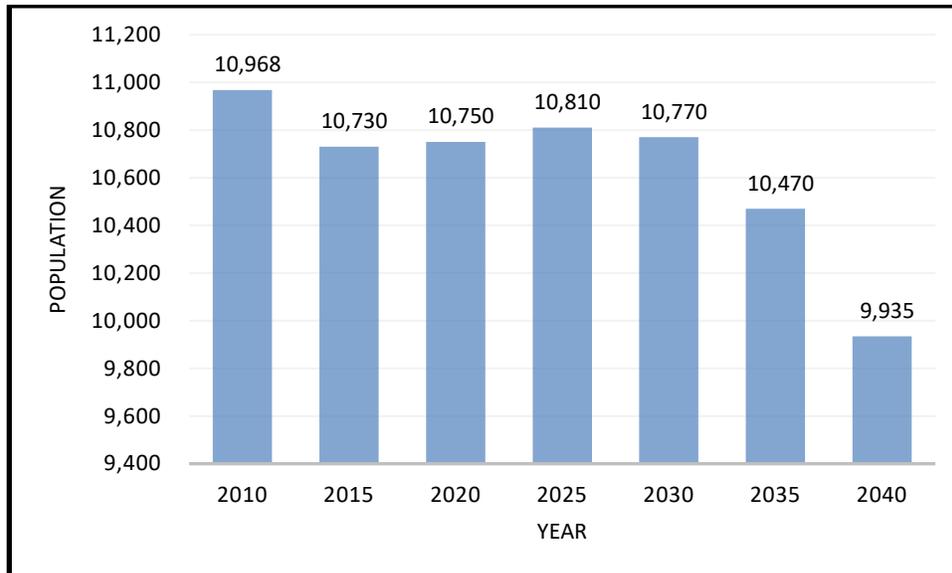
Social Characteristics

Population

The composition and size of the City of Marinette's population for this plan is evaluated based upon its demand on the recreational system. Additionally, to social characteristics, the availability of land, natural resources, and facilities for future recreational needs are also evaluated.

The 2010 population was 10,968. The Department of Wisconsin Administration (DOA) projects an increase of 60 people between 2020 and 2025. However, starting in 2025 a decline in the City's population is projected up to 2040 as shown in Chart 1.

Chart 1. Population 2010. Estimates and Projections 2015 – 2040.



Source: US Census Bureau, 2010. 2015 – 2040 DOA Projections. BLRPC, 2019.

Marinette County is an older county, shown by a median age of 42.3 years compared with the state’s median age of 39.2 (ACS, 2013-2017).

Table 1. Population Ages 60 Years and Older, 2017

Population	Number	Percent
60 and older	2,776	25.9%
65 and older	2,021	18.8%
75 and older	1,174	10.9%
85 and older	485	4.5%
Total Population (All Ages)	10,729	

Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2013-17 and the U.S. Census, Population Estimates Program, July 2017; BLRPC, 2019.

The population and household composition indicates that there is a higher proportion of older residents in the City of Marinette. This age group should be taken into consideration in terms of future recreational opportunities and accessibility into and within outdoor parks.

Households

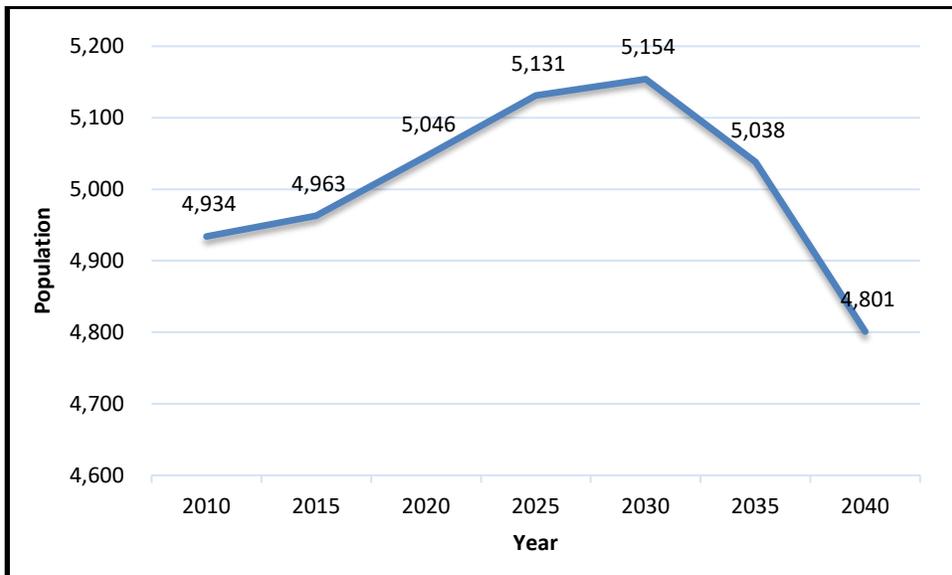
Table 2. Households Ages 60 Years and Older, 2017

Households	Number	Percent
Households: 1 or more 60 & older	2,101	41.1%
Households: 1 or more 65 & older	1,533	30.7%
Total Households (All Ages)	5,109	

Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2013-17 and the U.S. Census, Population Estimates Program, July 2017; BLRPC, 2019.

Additional drilling down into the composition of the households, shown in Table 2 indicates that households are composed of older aged adults in many cases in the City of Marinette. Over 5,000 households have a member of the household that is aged 60 and older.

Chart 2. Number of Households, 2010. Projections 2015 to 2040



Source: US Census Bureau, 2010. 2015 – 2040 DOA Projections. BLRPC, 2019.

Figure 1. Household Size, 2010. Projections 2015 to 2040



Source: US Census Bureau, 2010. 2015 – 2040 DOA Projections. BLRPC.

CHAPTER 3 MARINETTE RECREATION SYSTEM

The inventory of current parks and facilities in the community begins with classifying them into the type of park/facility it is and the population it is intended to serve. This section of the report provides an inventory of the City-owned parks and an overview of other recreational areas at school, county, and state facilities and a limited number of privately owned facilities. Map 1 follows this page and shows the location of parks within the City.

Definitions

The inventory included a classification of parks by the type of recreation offered and the population served by the facility. The definitions for facilities are as follows:

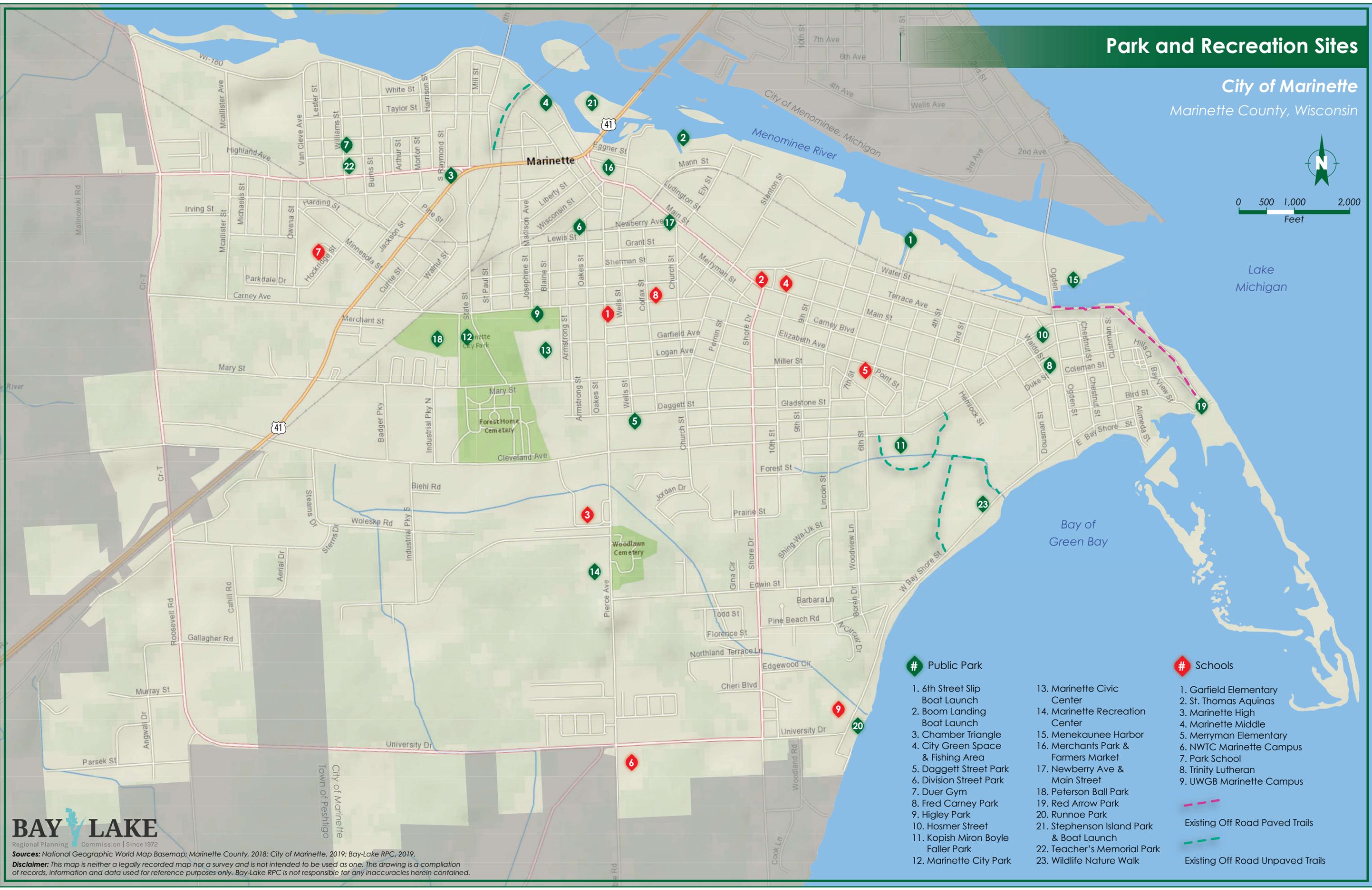
- Mini-park (0-5 acres): A park of specialized facilities serving a concentrated population or particular purpose.
- Neighborhood park (5-10 acres): A park that serves the immediate neighborhood in which it is located by providing play equipment and/or benches and areas for play.
- Community parks (usually 30-50 acres): Serves many neighborhoods and can provide many recreational opportunities through athletic facilities and multiple program offerings. May also include a natural area and areas for picnicking, etc.
- Open space and natural resource areas: A green or open space that is primarily a passive recreational area, serving all age groups. Areas can include opportunities for hiking and viewing wildlife.
- Beach area: An area providing swimming opportunities that may have a bath house, parking, and areas for games.
- Pathways and parkways: Spaces that are connections related to travel such as a trail or a water trail that provides connectivity for recreation and/or transportation purposes.

Park and Recreation Sites

City of Marinette
Marinette County, Wisconsin



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Feet



Public Park

1. 6th Street Slip Boat Launch
2. Boom Landing Boat Launch
3. Chamber Triangle
4. City Green Space & Fishing Area
5. Daggett Street Park
6. Division Street Park
7. Duer Gym
8. Fred Carney Park
9. Higley Park
10. Hosmer Street
11. Kopish Miron Boyle Faller Park
12. Marinette City Park

Schools

1. Garfield Elementary
2. St. Thomas Aquinas
3. Marinette High Center
4. Marinette Middle
5. Merryman Elementary
6. NWTC Marinette Campus
7. Park School
8. Trinity Lutheran
9. UWGB Marinette Campus

Existing Off Road Paved Trails

Existing Off Road Unpaved Trails

Park Inventory

Marinette Mini Parks:

Newberry Avenue and Main Street: 0.1 Acre

This mini-park is at the corner of Newberry Avenue and Main Street.

This is a location for passive recreation.

- 1 bench and landscaped corner



Menekaunee Heritage Park: 0.3 Acre

This mini-park is on Hosmer Street in the eastern part of the City.

This is a location for passive recreation.

- 2 benches
- 2 decorative lights
- 2 freestanding picnic tables
- 1 garbage can
- landscape area



Merchants Park

Merchants Park is a very small downtown area at the corner of Main and Wells streets. This park and adjacent areas are used for seasonal events and markets.

- decorative benches
- landscape, raised flower bed
- kiosk for markets: June through October.



Chamber Triangle

This mini-park is very small in scale and has a bench and a sign. It is off Highway 41 to the west when approaching the downtown.

- 1 bench, grassy area, and flowers
- shared parking lot with the Marinette-Menominee Chamber of Commerce



Division Street Park: 0.33 Acres

Division Street Park is in the central portion of the City. This is a neighborhood park that offers active recreational opportunities including:

- 2 tennis courts and basketball court(s)



Fred Carney Park: 1.5 acres

This neighborhood park is adjacent to Ogden Street. It has multiple offerings for children, and the amenities are listed below.

- lighted softball field
- small ball field/grassy area
- basketball court with 2 basketball hoops
- 6 freestanding picnic tables
- 6 garbage cans
- off-street parking – no apparent curb cut for entrance to side near pavilion
- 1 parking lot
- 1 small enclosed pavilion, which also includes restrooms and small office:
includes a refrigerator, stove and microwave, tables and chairs for crafting and projects.
- playground equipment:
2 large jungle gyms, 2 sets of swings, 2 teeter totters, metal hanging slide



At the playground, supervised play is offered to residents during the summer season of June 13 through Aug. 11. The school district of Marinette provides breakfast and lunch at no cost to children at this location.

Daggett Street Park

This is a neighborhood Park off Daggett Street in the southern part of the City.

- basketball court
- softball field
- playground equipment



Teachers Memorial Park: 1 acre

This is a passive park on Williams Street, Hall Avenue, and Park Ridge Avenue in the northwestern portion of the City.

- 3 wooden benches, 3 concrete benches
- landscaped circular area
- stone monument to Stephenson Training School
- sign for park



Duer Gym

The Duer Gym is at Hannah and Williams streets. It has indoor and outdoor active opportunities.

- indoor gymnasium

The indoor facility is available for rent on an hourly basis. The rental can be secured through the Civic Center.

- outdoor playground equipment
- picnic table



The recreation programming includes supervised play offerings at the playground to residents during the summer season (June 13 – Aug. 11). The school district of Marinette provides breakfast and lunch at no cost to the children.

Marinette Neighborhood Parks:

Higley Field: 8.7 acres

Higley Field is on Carney Street and is part of the Civic Center and City Park recreational programming. The facilities at the site include:

- 2 lighted softball fields
 - 9 sets of bleachers (7 metal; 2 wood)
 - 4 sets of batters benches
 - 2 backstops
 - perimeter fencing

- park identification sign
- restroom/playroom building
- 2 drinking fountains
- limited off-street parking along ball field
- 2 picnic tables
- 2 scoreboards
- 3 small benches
- 2 message boards
- 1 concession stands
- 2 score shacks
- playground equipment (4 teeter totters, 4 swings, monkey bars, large jungle gym)
- toddler playground (2 baby swings and small jungle gym; fenced-in area)



The recreation programming includes supervised play offerings at the playground to residents during the summer season (June 13 – Aug. 11). The school district of Marinette provides breakfast and lunch at no cost to the children.

Civic Center

The Civic Center on Alice Lane is a multi-purpose recreational building that had a dome attached. It was the city's primary public, indoor recreational facility. It has under gone modifications and repairs which included the removal of the dome. The Civic Center is transitioning to an outdoor recreational facility offering these activities:

- swimming at the outdoor Olympic-sized pool with diving boards, water slide
- wading pool
- 2 softball fields
- playground area



- bike racks
- skate and bike park

Aquatics Program

Seasonal passes and daily admission is offered to the Civic Center pool.

Swim lessons to address all skill levels and ages are offered throughout June to August. Private lessons are also available.

Recreational Center

A new 114,000 square foot facility opened in 2019. The facility is located on Pierce Avenue. The indoor recreation activities offered are listed below.

Amenities include:

- Ice arena: hockey, skating and curling
- Turf area: baseball, softball, and soccer
- Walking track
- Meeting space



Community Parks:

City Park: 40 acres

City Park is off Ridge Street. The park has a service road separating it. There are many park amenities listed below.

Western side amenities:

- camping: full-service campground open May to September
- small storage shed
- garage building
- restroom facility/shower/office
- 8 small grills
- wooded area

Eastern side amenities:

- enclosed pavilion (available for rental)
 - 2 stoves
 - 2 refrigerators
 - long buffet counter
 - sink with hot and cold running water
 - seating for approximately 60 people
- 34 tables
- park identification sign
- 8 handicapped accessible tables
- 9-hole disc golf
- 2 large grills
- 6 small grills
- 3 horseshoe pits with lights
- restroom buildings
- drinking fountain
- larger garage building
- playground equipment (jungle gym, 4 teeter totters, 4 swings, and 4 baby swings)
- sledding hill



(Charles) Pederson Ball Park: 15 Acres

Pedersen Ball Field is on Carney Street to the west of Higley field. There are three baseball diamonds: Pedersen Ball Diamond, Robert Haase Diamond, and John La Court field. The Pedersen and Haase Diamonds are used by two high schools, the City team, Legion, and Babe Ruth teams. The third field is used as a practice facility, Babe Ruth, and Little League. The facilities at the site include:

Pederson Ball Park:

- lights at ball park
 - 2 dugouts
 - ticket booth
 - 4 mall bleachers sections
 - batting cage
 - 2 concession buildings
- scoreboard
 - 1 bike rack
 - press box
 - 1 large bleacher
 - 2 picnic tables
 - restrooms

Robert D. Haase Ball Diamond

- 2 dugouts
 - 2 picnic tables
 - press box/concession building
 - lights
- 2 bleachers
 - scoreboard
 - restrooms

John La Court field:

- 2 picnic tables
 - 2 bleachers
 - portable restroom
- 2 dugouts
 - scoreboard
 - concession stand

Red Arrow Park: 15 acres

Red Arrow Park is in the eastern part of the City, at the end of Leonard Street. This park offers direct access to the Bay of Green Bay. There is approximately 2,000 feet of frontage along the Bay. The City owns frontage land extending north toward the mouth of the Menominee River. The peninsula extending into the Bay is the State Park Seagull Bar. This park is a natural area, providing waterfowl fowl hunting, bird watching, and other natural passive recreation.



At Red Arrow Park, the many amenities include:

- sandy beach area
 - restroom/changing rooms building
 - water fountain
 - 2 picnic tables

- 2 large paved parking lots (beach area and launch area)
- 23 picnic tables
- 7 handicapped accessible picnic tables
- 1 boat launch:
Permits are on sale for annual permit for use at all boat landings. They can be purchased at the Civic Center or the City clerk's office. The fee is \$25 per boat and \$5 for each additional boat.
- 1 dock wall
- 8 grills (2 large and 4 small)
- 1 flag pole
- large grassy area adjacent to beach
 - 4 stationary picnic tables, handicapped accessible
 - 2 freestanding picnic tables
 - 2 benches
 - 6 small grills
- 1 large open pavilion (available for rental)
 - 17 freestanding picnic tables
 - 2 large grills
 - speaker system
- enclosed pavilion with kitchen facilities (available for rental)
 - large cooking range
 - refrigerator/freezer
 - long buffet counter
 - sink with hot and cold running water
 - seating for approximately 60 people
 - 2 freestanding picnic tables
 - 2 large grills
- playground equipment
 - 1 large jungle gym
 - 2 baby swings
 - 2 regular swings
 - 2 teeter totters
 - 3 benches
- memorials:
 - flag pole and Red Arrow Division Memorial
 - memorial to wildlife manager/naturalist
 - family military service - nautical service
- trail
- location of Seagull Bar

Stephenson Island: 4 acres

This park is along the Menominee River and contains the Stephenson Island Logging Historical Museum. The State Tourism Center is across the river channel accessible via a steel walking bridge.

- 1 city boat launch
 - \$3 honor system fee for launches
 - 2 portable restrooms
 - lighted with 1 standard light and 2 decorative lights
 - 5 garbage cans
- parking lot, boat trailer accessible
- playground equipment
- museum
- large performance enclosed stage/pavilion
- 25 freestanding picnic tables
- 1 open pavilion, 1 large grill, 7 small grills, 12 benches
- public art exhibit along shore of Menominee River
- restrooms
- storage shed
- 1 water faucet, 1 water fountain



Special Use Facilities

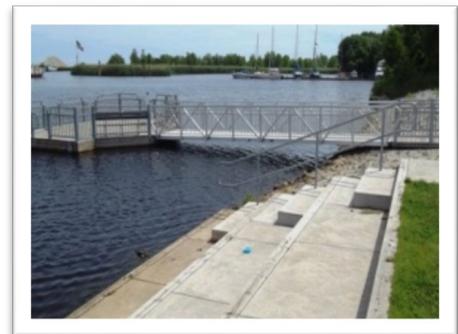
City Green Space and Fishing Piers

This open space, adjacent to the tourism offices off Riverside Avenue, provides public access fishing at City-owned piers. This green space is near the bridge to cross over the Menominee River.

Menekaunee Fishing Pier and Trail

The Menekaunee Fishing Pier and trail, connecting to Red Arrow Park, is on the east side of Ogden Street. It offers fishing opportunities and access to the Menekaunee trail.

- accessible pier
- cement block steps for fishing



Menekaunee Harbor

The Menekaunee Harbor lies adjacent to the Wisconsin-Michigan border at the mouth of the Menominee River. Commercial fishing was a part of the harbor's history and the development around the area. The low levels of Lake Michigan and the accumulating sediment, however, has impacted boating negatively in the harbor. Dredging is planned to begin in 2014.



The City has devoted resources to improvements at the Menekaunee Harbor along with investment from the Wisconsin DNR.

- 5 boat launches
- 2 boat launches for large boats only
- Kayak launch, accessible
- Pedestrian bridge crossing the Menominee River to connect to trail continuing to Red Arrow Park
- Electricity for boating
- Permanent restrooms
- 1 large open pavilion, picnic tables

Boom Landing: 2 acres

Boom Landing has direct access to the Menominee River. The park has boating opportunities with City-owned launches.

- large, lighted parking area with boat trailer accessible
- 2 docks
- 3 boat launches with \$3 honor system fee
- fish cleaning station, lighted. Includes a restroom with the building
- 1 bench
- 2 stationary picnic tables, accessible



Sixth Street Boat Launch: 1.5 acres

This is a northeast public access location to the Menominee River that has City-owned boat launches.

- 1 picnic table
- 1 double boat launch
- 2 docks
- 1 small grill
- 2 benches
- restroom
- large paved boat trailer and accessible parking lot

Natural Resource Areas

City of Marinette Nature Walk: 40 acres

This is a city-owned 40-acre conservation area that has a one-half mile trail loop beginning along Bay Shore Street, north of Edwin Street, which extends into a lowland wooded marsh. The trail parallels several drainage ditches and ends back at Bay Shore Street.

Kopish Miron Boyle Faller Walk and Natural Area: 39.75 Acres

This property is a newly acquired property by the city. It is a natural area that is located south of Russell Street and north of Bay Shore Street. There is an unpaved trail that loops to and from Bay Shore Street. This trail crosses two other city-owned parcels and is frequently used for walking, dog-walking, jogging, snow-shoeing, bird-watching and other activities on this rustic location.

Marinette Schools

Marinette High School

This school's recreational facilities are along Pierce Avenue and have the following facilities:

- picnic tables
- dug outs
- concessions
- soccer and football fields
- football and track, stadium, varsity field
- 3 press boxes
- 3 scoreboards
- gymnasium
- off-street parking
- bike racks
- storage building
- weight room
- ticket booth
- 4 baseball/softball fields
- bleachers
- 2 portable bathrooms

Marinette Middle School

This school's recreational facilities are at Terrace Avenue and Water Street. The following recreational opportunities are available:

- 3 basketball hoops
- 1 gymnasium
- football field and open space (Lauerman Field)
- bike racks
- playground equipment
- picnic tables

Merryman Elementary School

- playground equipment
- bike racks
- large open play area
- picnic tables

Park School

- small ball field
- playground equipment
- basketball court, 2 basketball hoops
- benches
- bike racks
- large open space

Garfield Elementary School

- large paved play area
- 1 backstop
- playground equipment
- small playing field/open space
- 2 basketball hoops
- 3 circular benches

Marinette Private Schools

Trinity Lutheran

- playground equipment
- large paved play area
- bench
- 2 basketball hoops
- gymnasium

St. Thomas Aquinas

- gymnasium

Bicycle and Pedestrian Routes

This update includes Map 2 *Proposed Bicycle and Pedestrian Routes and Trails*. The City's comprehensive plan contains proposed bicycle routes and off road trails that have been developed, or are proposed. Map 2 reflects the changes that have occurred in the existing system in terms of projects that have been completed, and also reflects proposed routes and trails based on future projects that are under consideration.

The potential routes shown on Map 2 were selected to reflect a system of appropriately spaced and continuous bicycle and pedestrian corridors. Factors leading to the selection of specific routes include access to schools, recreation areas, government institutions, employers, and retail locations. The types of local roads selected as possible routes were those that were lower in traffic to better facilitate a range of skill levels and ages to bicycle and walk.

There is [guidance](#) provided by the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) to enhance bicycle and pedestrian friendly travel for City to consider in future planning decisions.

Bicycle Planning

The **addition of bicycle and pedestrian facilities should be** considered along utility easements to create additional links to trails.

The **accommodation of bicycles should be considered during the planning, design, re-construction, and construction** of transportation facilities in the street right-of-way, particularly for the roads identified as proposed bicycle routes.

Drainage grates can be a potential problem for bicyclist if they are located in the path of a bicyclist on a roadway. Ideally, drainage grates with a grid pattern that are horizontal and flush are safer prevent wheels from slipping into the grates.

Paved shoulders can create relatively safe bikeways on roads without curb and gutter. According to AASHTO, shoulders may be designated as bicycle facilities by signing and marking them for preferential use. There are more specifics about these in the guidelines.

Bicycle routes can be marked with Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) signs to show a continuous system for connectivity. The system presented in Map 2 *Proposed Bicycle and Pedestrian Routes* show areas that could be marked with standard bicycle route signs.



Horizontal drainage grate



Paved shoulder



Bicycle lanes are designated portions of a roadway that are striped and marked for bicycle use. Lanes should be at least four feet wide excluding curb and gutter. Bicycle lanes are appropriate in the following situations:

- When it is desirable to delineate the right-of-way to bicyclist and motorists to make their movements more predictable;
- When significant bicycle demand is desired or expected on an arterial streets and roadways.
- When a community wants to encourage bicycle use on a particular roadway;



Bicycle paths are off-road bicycle facilities. However, any path that is open to the public is also likely to be popular with walkers, joggers, wheelchair users, and others. Bicycle paths are **also known as multi-use trails.**

- Multi-use trails are recommended to be a minimum of 10 feet wide.
- Provide system linkages in areas where no on-street facilities are available.
- Recommended in areas where there is abandoned rail ways, utility easements, and other locations where a side path can be suitable to provide a connection.



Multi-use trail

Pedestrian Planning

Wisconsin Department of Transportation suggests that **pedestrian facility planning can be facilitated to a large degree by development policies and design standards** at the local level. The following are considerations for policies and design standards:

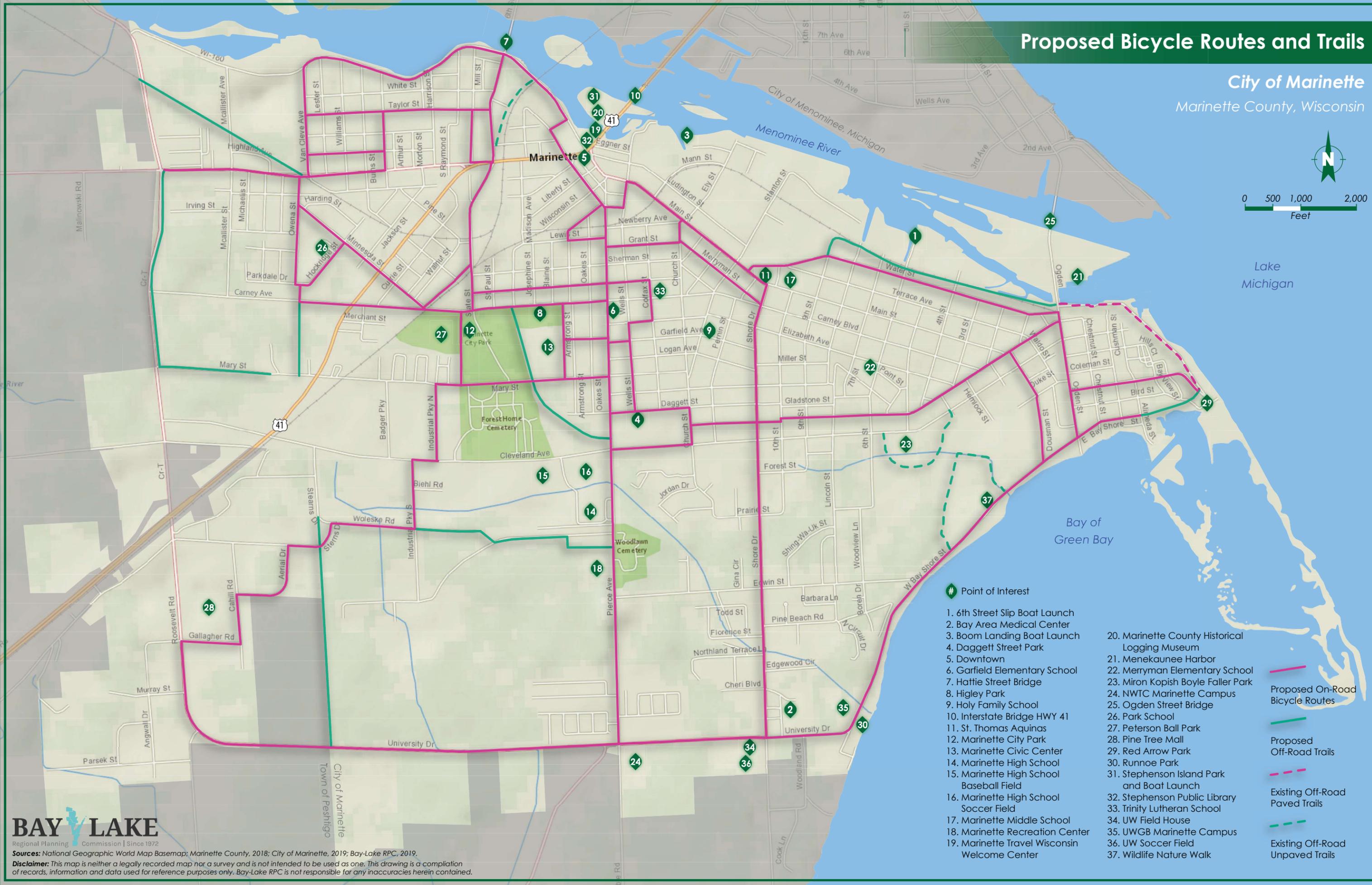
- The **adoption of sidewalk policies** such as requiring sidewalks in all new subdivisions and retrofitting sidewalks into existing developments. Priority locations for sidewalks are streets serving as home-to-school routes, recreation areas, office and commercial areas.
- Pedestrian facility **design should consider the full range of pedestrians** from children to the elderly to the physically disabled. Ramps, timed signals, audio crossings, are a few of the accommodations to enhance accessibility for design consideration.



Sidewalks

Proposed Bicycle Routes and Trails

City of Marinette
Marinette County, Wisconsin



- # Point of Interest
- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. 6th Street Slip Boat Launch | 20. Marinette County Historical Logging Museum |
| 2. Bay Area Medical Center | 21. Menekaunee Harbor |
| 3. Boom Landing Boat Launch | 22. Merryman Elementary School |
| 4. Daggett Street Park | 23. Miron Kopish Boyle Faller Park |
| 5. Downtown | 24. NWTC Marinette Campus |
| 6. Garfield Elementary School | 25. Ogden Street Bridge |
| 7. Hattie Street Bridge | 26. Park School |
| 8. Higley Park | 27. Peterson Ball Park |
| 9. Holy Family School | 28. Pine Tree Mall |
| 10. Interstate Bridge HWY 41 | 29. Red Arrow Park |
| 11. St. Thomas Aquinas | 30. Runnoe Park |
| 12. Marinette City Park | 31. Stephenson Island Park and Boat Launch |
| 13. Marinette Civic Center | 32. Stephenson Public Library |
| 14. Marinette High School | 33. Trinity Lutheran School |
| 15. Marinette High School Baseball Field | 34. UW Field House |
| 16. Marinette High School Soccer Field | 35. UWGB Marinette Campus |
| 17. Marinette Middle School | 36. UW Soccer Field |
| 18. Marinette Recreation Center | 37. Wildlife Nature Walk |
| 19. Marinette Travel Wisconsin Welcome Center | |

- Proposed On-Road Bicycle Routes
- Proposed Off-Road Trails
- Existing Off-Road Paved Trails
- Existing Off-Road Unpaved Trails



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Chapter 4 Public Participation

The City prepared a questionnaire which was distributed to the community via emails to recreation system users and via websites. The results are summarized on the next page.



Menekaunee Harbor: New pedestrian bridge and boat launches.



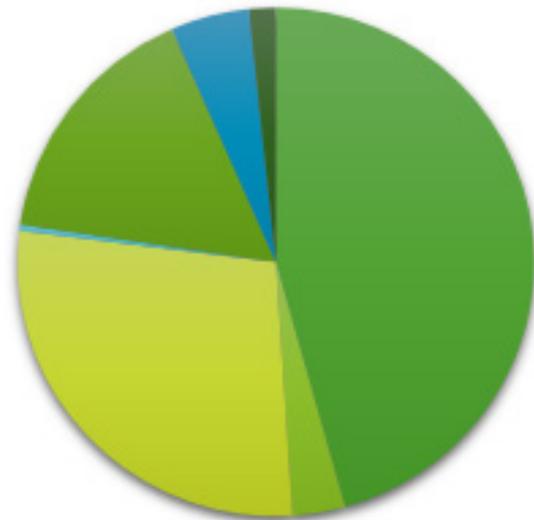
City of Marinette Park Questionnaire Results

The city prepared a questionnaire during the process of updating its Outdoor Recreation Plan.

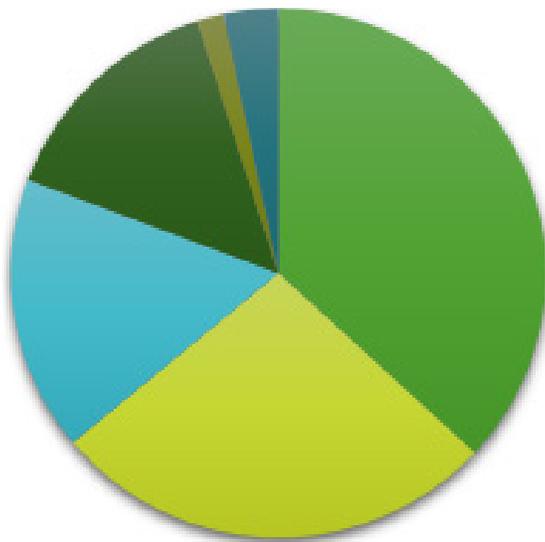
The questionnaire was made available on the city's website and sent by the recreation department system users for feedback. A total of 245 responses were received and the results are shown below.

Which of the following best describes you?

- Long Term Resident (112)
- Family with Small Children (68)
- Youth (1)
- Local Retiree (39)
- Seasonal Resident (4)
- Out of Town Visitor (8)
- New Resident (12)



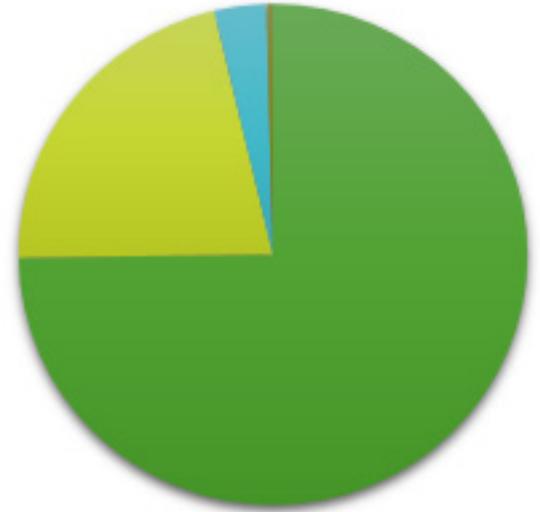
How often has any one visited City of Marinette Parks/Facilities in the past 12 months?



- Weekly (67)
- Monthly (90)
- Annually (41)
- Rarely (35)
- Never (4)
- Other (8)

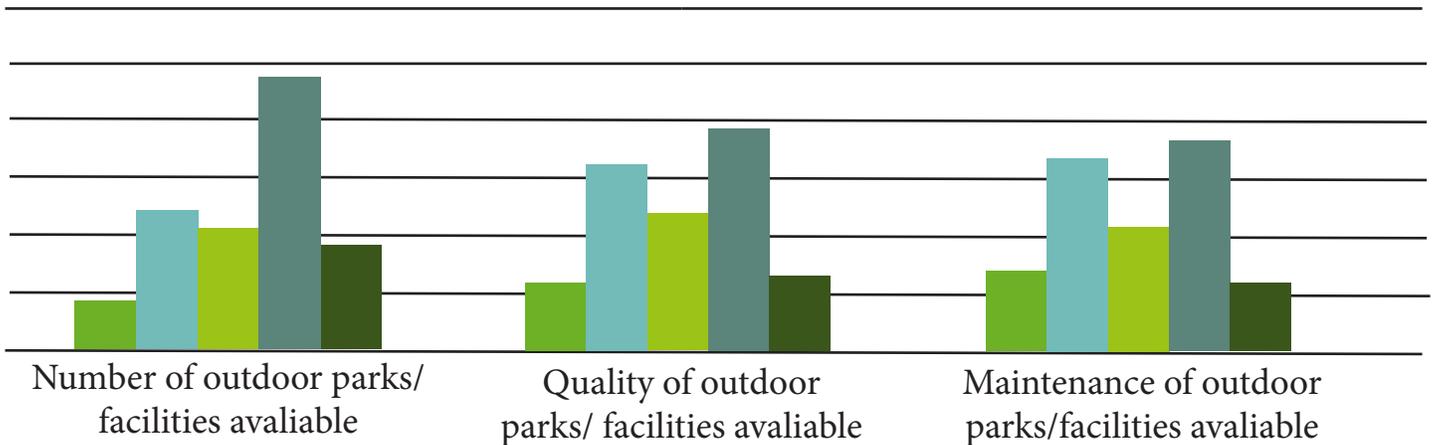
Should the city maintain/refurbish existing outdoor recreation areas?

- Strongly Agree (181)
- Somewhat Disagree (0)
- Somewhat Agree (52)
- Strongly Disagree (1)
- Neutral (8)

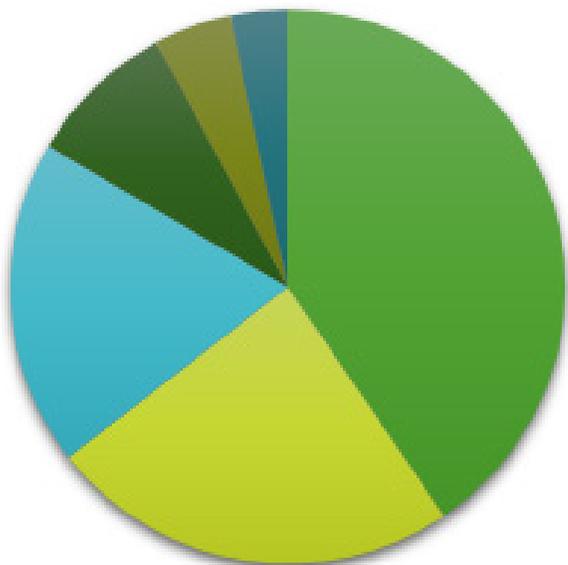


Please tell us how satisfied you are with:

- Extremely Dissatisfied
- Somewhat Dissatisfied
- Neutral
- Somewhat Satisfied
- Extremely Satisfied



Should the city acquire more land to develop outdoor recreation areas?



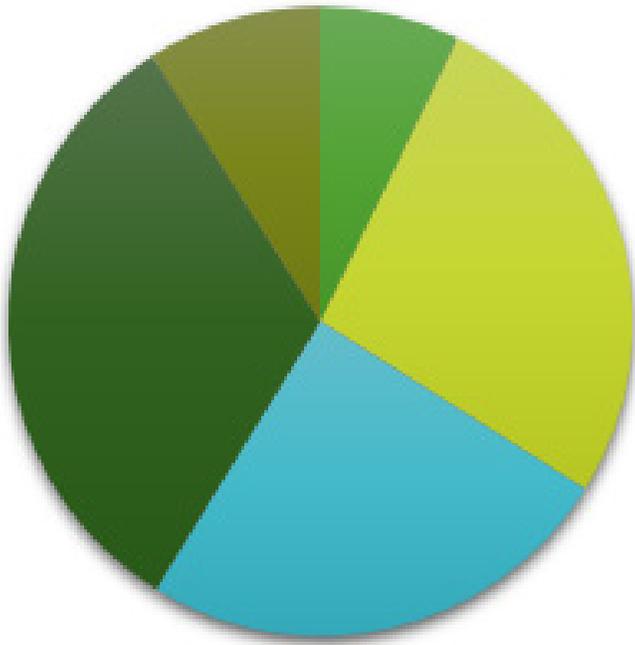
- Strongly Agree (98)
- Somewhat Agree (58)
- Neutral (46)
- Somewhat Disagree (21)
- Strongly Disagree (11)
- Other (7)

What priority would you give the following for future city improvements?

● Low ● Medium ● High



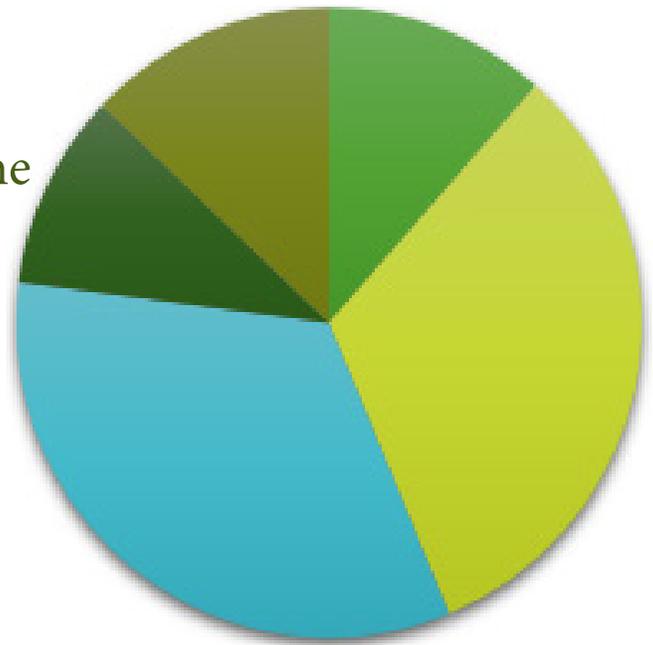
If you go bicycling, do you find bicycling in the City of Marinette:



- Very Easy (16)
- Somewhat Easy (59)
- Neither Easy or Difficult (55)
- Somewhat Difficult (71)
- Very Difficult (20)

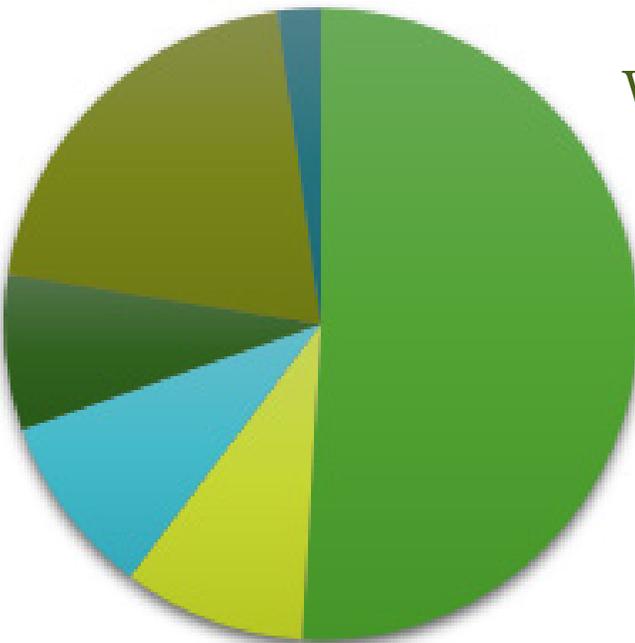
If you find it difficult, what makes it difficult to bicycle in the City of Marinette?

- No street lights/ lighting is bad (28)
- Other (36)
- Roads too busy/ too much traffic (90)
- No Sidewalks (32)
- Safety (93)



Which of these changes would you recommend to make it easier to bicycle more?

- Making areas for bicycling safer (74)
- Provide more bicycle facilities (186)
- Improve existing facilities (34)
- Initiating Safety Education (29)
- Enforce laws governing bicycling (34)
- Other (8)



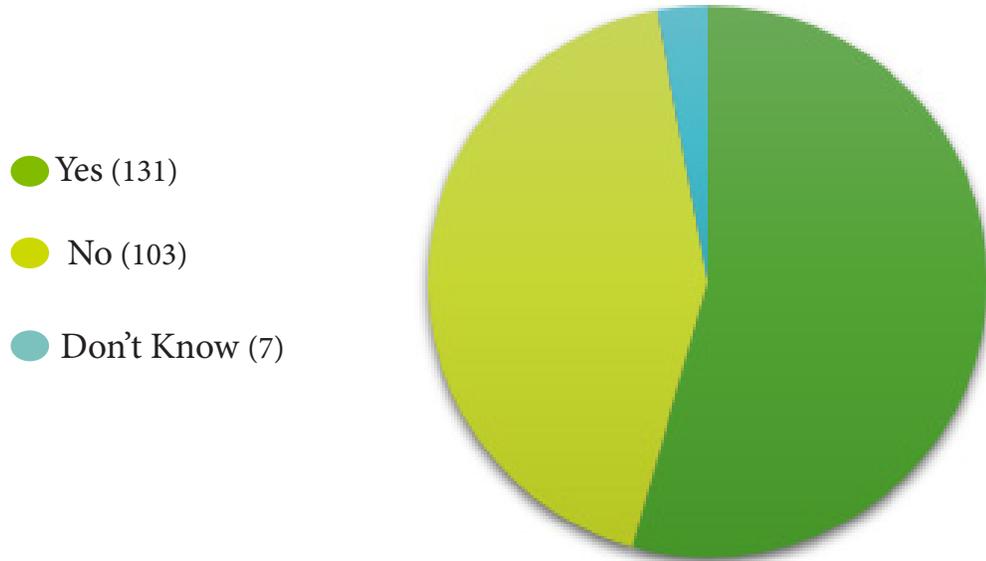
Please name three favorite bicycling routes/ roadways/ trails:

Badger Hatti Street Lake Shore County Road B
Eagle Trail Stephenson Island Lake Noquebay Sege Meadow Trail
Escabana University Peshtigo River Mountain Bike Trail Shore Drive
Boat Landings The Loop Water Tower
Red Arrow Bike Trail Suamico Trails
Gladstone M35 Paved Bike Path Pierce Avenue East River Trail
Pine Beach Carney Avenue Riverside Drive Bayshore Memominee Airport Route
Ogden Street Water Street Menekaunee Trail Menominee Airport Route
Highway S Mary Street Main Street Pine Beach Road

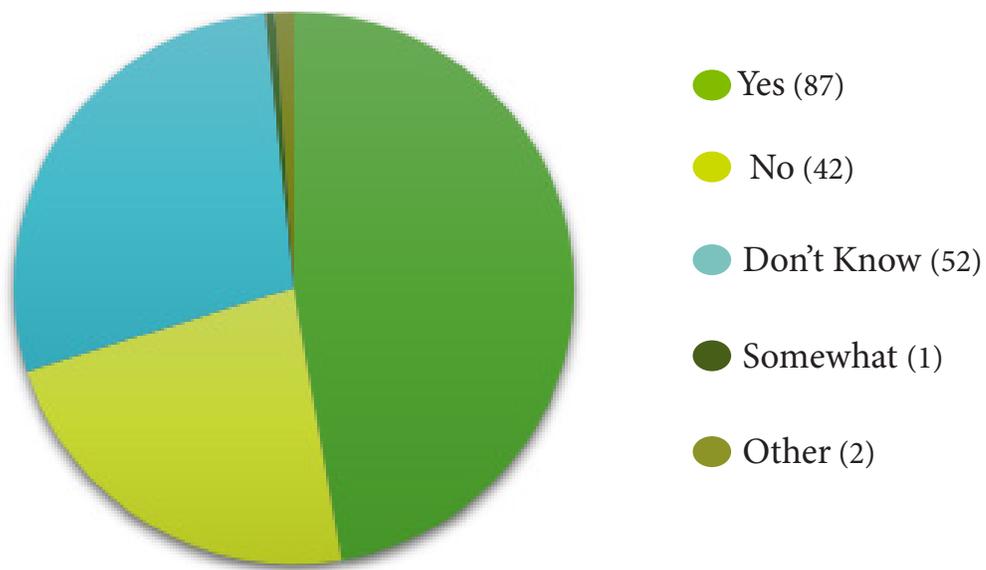
Please name three favorite destinations you bicycle to:

Duer Gym Dome Lanes Beach
My House Along Any Water Walmart
Mall Anywhere for Ice Cream City Park
Shore Drive Library NWTC Baseball Parks
Marina Downtown Stephenson Island Church
Higley Field Red Arrow Stores Bay Shore Drive Work
Pedersen Park Civic Center Harbor Park Riverside Avenue
Menominee Lighthouse Restaurants YMCA Parks
Boom's Landing University Area

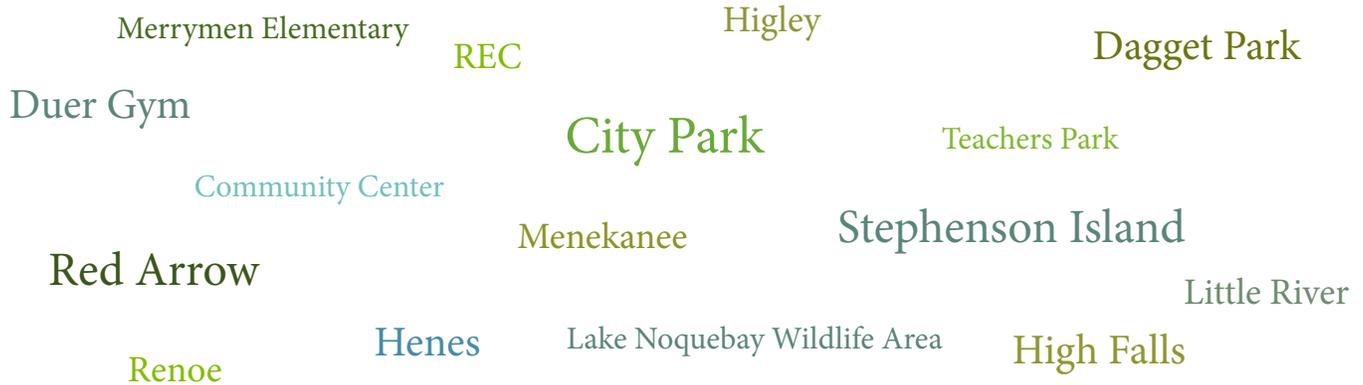
Have you visited the City of Marinette website to find parks or outdoor recreation information?



If yes, was it easy to find information on the website?

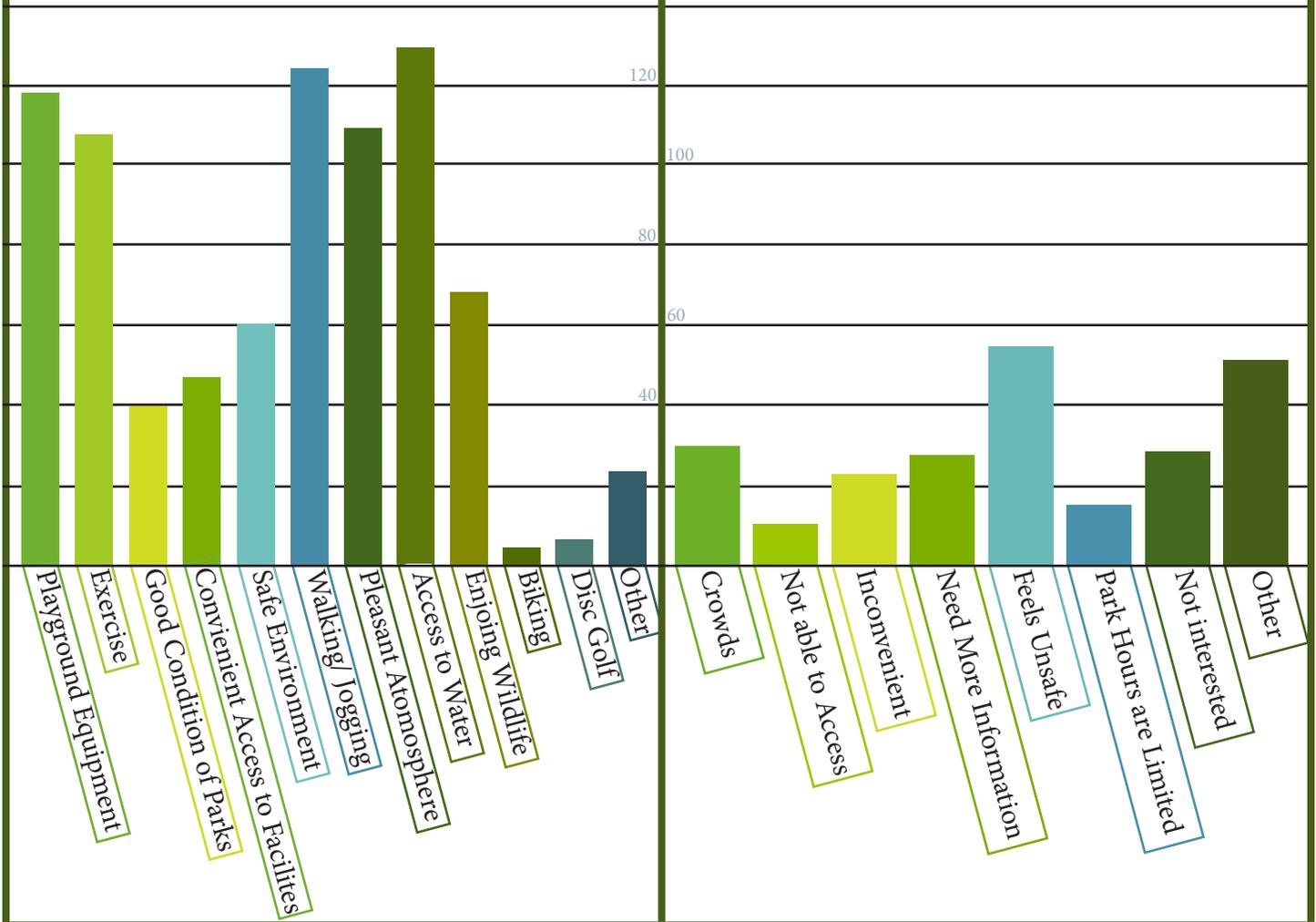


What is the nearest park (outdoor recreation location) near your house?



Why do you visit parks/facilities?

Why do you not visit parks/facilities?



Please tell us what can be done to improve your parks/outdoor recreation experience in the City of Marinette?

“More disc golf or better maintenance of the course.”
 “Focus on bike and walking paths, every other city has them. We need to capitalize on our water frontage by putting in bike and walking paths.”

“Destination bike route. More access to water for fishing, swimming and walking along.”

“Repave the drive through City Park. Start working on recreational trails as a long term project.”

“Cleaner, safer, facilities”
 “Provide more covered picnic facilities.”

“Park department run by one department, don’t have to go to multiple places.”

“Dog Park. More trails for people with Dogs.”

“It would be great to see the Park and Rec center not duplicate services in our community and focus on area that

are unique to the parks.”

“Make it cleaner. And add more fun, enjoyable playground equipment.”

“I would like to see more bike paths; i.e., such as what the city of Marquette, MI has.”
 “Soccer Fields”

“Just make sure they are taken care of so we can enjoy them for years to come.”

“More parking, better routine lawn care(keeping grass trimmed and watered)”

“Offer a dog park so the whole family can enjoy.”

“Dog park, designated dog paths with garbage cans, more bike and walking paths.”

“Make them safer for children, more recreation activities for kids”

“Build a handicap accessible restroom near the Red Arrow Park enclosed pavilion”

“Put a children’s splash pad at

Fred Carney Park, and extend the bike path at Red Arrow along the Pocket to Alameda Street. What happened to dressing room

dividers at the Red Arrow Park changing building?”

“Upgrade playground equipment and pavilions”

“I would love a dog park! I also feel that maintaining the grass at City Park in the field would help it be less of an eye sore.”

“Your parks people do a great job!”

“Clean up goose droppings regularly not just before large events”

“Splash Pad or more things for young children”

“Bringing back the beach area at Red Arrow that overgrown grass looks terrible and like we’re not taking care of our beaches!”

“Clean up the bathrooms and add light”

“Would like to see better enforcement of the cleaning up

after your pets and it would be wonderful if there could be something done to control the geese and the mess they make on Stephenson

Island. Love the concerts in the park but hate dealing with the mess.”

“I’m concerned about finding needles and debris at beaches and parks; clean water for swimming; filtered hydration stations; stations for dog waste; safe playground equipment; places to park and lock up bikes”

“Make them more reasonable for churches to rent, the price is a bit high.”

“More summer activities based around the parks.”

“Advertise it more.”

“We have such a lovely city. It would be nice to see that utilized with refurbished parks and continuing to expand the availability of nature trails and bicycling paths.”

“I mostly like to kayak on the water. There needs to be more kayak launches for water sports.”

“Bike trails that loop through Menominee over Hattie St. & Menekanee Bridges.”
“Stop duplicating services.”
“1 - Add bike lanes 2 - Put liner into Civic Center pool and add splash pad.”
“Advertise it more.”
“Updating and restrooms.”
“Clean up the facilities, have them open more often, and police the areas for drug use.”
“Actual bike paths, soccer fields.”
“Badger Park is very popular, maybe a large park such as this (focus more on quality vs. quantity).”
“Keep expanding the trail along Bay Shore.”
“The RE Center is beautiful,

convenient, safe, affordable, offers a variety... it's wonderful.”

“Improve shelters.”
“Police presence to deter drug use in parks.”
“Grooming of parks and beaches.”
“Red Arrow Park needs major work and a campground. Right now it is underutilized and it a million dollar property.”
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“Police patrols to discourage destruction of property and drug use. Community events to raise awareness and provide cleanup. Less polluting by factories on the water.”
“More trails”

"A fresh coat of paint would make old equipment look more inviting."

“Clean facilities/park, more walking trails”
“Safety”
“Keep parks free of rubbish.”
“Provide more campsites for visitets.”
“Clean up Red arrow Beach. Make it a beach again. Cut back the vegetation and rake the sand.”
“In general, the goose problems are bad at Stephenson and the Marinette Marine boat launch. Also adding a cleaning station at Menekaunee harbor would be great.”
“Better RV camping. Water, electric, sewer, Wi-Fi at sites”
“We need more bike trails”

“Take care of restrooms better, lengthen times they stay open till at night. Upgrade equipment and add things to existing parks to give a better experience with more options of activities for everyone to enjoy. Quality not quantity!”
“Advertise/activities. Marinette is a hidden gem”
“Upgrade Duer Gym Park as it is so outdated for the children in this area.”
“Establish bike trails and bike lanes to reduce auto traffic and promote physical activity.”
“Have a playground more like Badger Park. Something unique.”
“Outdoor ice skating rink in the winter months.”

"Splash pad added to a park(s)."

“Improve the bathrooms at City Park and Red Arrow. I understand the chances of vandalism is frequent, so maybe that's why the facilities are so basic?”
“Dog Park”
“Clean up the trash”
“Monitored more closely, equipment upkeep, updated equipment”
“Clear all the goose droppings from Stephenson Island, clean Red Arrow Beach and more law enforcement in all parks in evening hours”
“I think keeping the little bit of beaches we have much more clean, i would hang out all summer at Red Arrow. Sometimes too

"Provide more campsites for visitets."

“Clean up goose poop on Stephenson Island. Develop trail along south channel of Menominee to continue the Red Arrow Trail. Maybe widen Red Arrow Trail for bicycles and walkers. Area to allow responsible dog running and play. Dogs are fabrics of many families' lives.”
“Improved playgrounds - we travel to Peshtigo for Badger Park often because the kids prefer it.”
“Spend the money donated for the parks.”
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“Activities such as art & learning onsite like they do at State Park nature centers.”
“Mountain bike trails.”
“More bike and walk-in trails, Lifeguards at the local beaches”
“Build trails”

"Make more mountain bike trails."

"More bicycle only paths - would love to see one on County T for all the people in apartments and those in trailer park to be able to get to mall are safe"

"Better signage/ color coded,

established routes

for multipurpose use, bike rentals, safer for families and no risk for needles in parks or on beaches (biggest fear). Better promotion of the beauty of the city with all it has to offer for residents and tourism alike."

"Develop single track mountain biking and running trails. Develop cross country ski trails in conjunction with the biking and running trails. A possible pump mountain biking course behind the new rec center. A new skate park. More marked bike lanes. Developing the land behind the water tower on Pierce Ave into the above trail ideas."

"More land with more variety of trails for walking and biking, maybe a simple pump track for bikes as well"

"More trails"

"Clean it up and fix the play areas"

"CityPark should have better sled hill"

"Provide more trails and paths for walking, hiking, running etc. Updated playground. Safe and clean beaches."

"Fine owners that do not clean up after their pets"

"Keep the parks clean and well maintained, don't let sidewalks deteriorate, sweep the streets that bikes use frequently, add bike lanes to more streets, do something about the geese on

Stephenson Island, improve the restrooms at City Park, Red

Arrow, & Stephenson Island, more off-road walking & biking trails, clean the beach at Red Arrow Park"

"Maintain what we have."

"Continue to keep red arrow park lot clear of sand. Improve the ground cover in the playgrounds."

"We need more sidewalks to the outskirts of town

no safe way to get to shopping centers."

"Running trails."

"Maintain cleanliness, remove offensive graffiti in a timely way."

"Resurface tennis courts on Liberty Street Park. Clean restrooms."

"Keep all grounds well maintained"

"Resurface tennis courts on Liberty Street Park. Clean restrooms."

"The biggest concern for me is the bathrooms.

As a single female they can be terrifying."

"More upkeep."

"A safer bike path in the downtown area (very tricky), I would love a beautiful trail using the old train tracks."

"Improve the sledding hill at City Park."

"More reasonable rates for city residents to rent pavilions."

"Clean them up and way more lighting!"

"It is sad to see when playground equipment has chipped paint, broken chains on swings, and other items in disrepair. A fresh coat of paint would make old equipment look more inviting. Clean bathrooms are nice to have. Perhaps you can add a changing table in the bathrooms and more garbage cans outside to help with litter. Litter seems to be a problem at most parks we visit (Especially Red Arrow and City Park). Stephenson Island has a real problem with the amount of goose poop on the ground. It is very unsanitary and deters us from using that park and going to the farmer's market there. It would be nice if the sand

was raked at Red Arrow beach as there is usually litter and even broken glass in the sand. Before

looking at obtaining new land for new parks, I think it would be nice to invest in the parks that we already have. We live in a beautiful area with natural resources that should be preserved."

"Add bocce ball courts."

"More policing playground equipment, splash pad, improved playground equipment, more child friendly hiking trails and better advertising for them and other activities."

"We need a lighted multi-use path that travels along the water, from Red Arrow to Hattie, with dedicated places that allow you to enter the river and places to sit near it. Hopefully will Menominee do the same?"

"Make them safer. Less drug users using it as their playground. I would not feel comfortable bringing my kids to Red Arrow for instance by myself. There is not a great beach area to bring kids that is clean with clean beach and water in the area. An outdoor pool would also be nice for the kids in summer. There is so much potential."

"Bike-walking paths."

"Update some park facilities, add splash pad and better outdoor community swimming pool."

"Improve and maintain current parks."

"Clean them up"

"I feel education is huge. A multi-use trail

would be good. More advertising on events going on and a skate park

for our teen and preteens has been needed for a long time!"

"Adding advanced player tee pads and new signs to the disc golf course."

"Create running trails around the city and county of Marinette Running trails."

"Cheaper rates at new rec center, more shaded sitting areas, restroom facilities"

"More areas for quiet contemplation."

"Fill in the hill at City Park!!! We love to sled but that hill is atrocious and dangerous as it is!! I can't imagine filling it in with some sand would be so hard."

"Trails."

"Clean up Red Arrow Park; for the last 20+ years it has much to offer but the beach it not ever cleaned/raked there are not enough picnic tables and shaded areas for beach goers. When they tried to add natural grasses to the beach area, we lost a lot of beach frontage and it looks terrible. A

lot of us in the area love the views and would love more amenities; soda/water snack machines outdoor grills and a clean beach not full of garbage and wood/metal etc."

"I would love to see running/biking trails"

"Better beach area at Red Arrow.

"More trash cans. Litter everywhere."

Fix the boat launch at Red Arrow. More safety-less drugs."

"A river walkway would be a great addition which could unite Marinette and Menominee in drawing tourists to our locations, Keep the parks/restrooms more

cleanly. Add a few more park to our area with splash pads."

"Complete/Repair sidewalk in City Park"

"Smoking areas and no smoking signs by playgrounds so people aren't smoking by children."

"Trash pickup more often."

"More fun family activities."

"Fresh paint."

"Keep rest rooms open later."

"Make them safer. Less drug users using it as their playground. I would not feel comfortable bringing my kids to Red Arrow for instance by myself. There is not a great beach area to bring kids that is clean with clean beach and pool would also be nice for the kids in summer. There is so much potential."

"Promote more activities and encourage usage."

"Maintain safety in the evening hours & Maintain Existing Facilities."

"Add a Dog Park or Run."

"Safer Bike Trails."

"Make the Drug Court members help clean up our city parks this year!"

"I mainly only go to city park to disc golf, it is a pretty nice park that most of us disc golfers help maintain. It is pretty well kept and the course is challenging."

"This area has VERY little to offer preteen and teens."

"We need bike / walking / hike areas to retain youth and get people to live here! The mall is full,

the rec center is done, now focus needs to be on outdoor recreation!"

"Start by cutting the grass and work up from there!"

"Make it safer. I have a five year old and we don't bike in town and when we do bike we use the sidewalk. No one is walking and her safety is paramount to being struck. I would bet most people do not pay attention to pedestrians."

Chapter 5 FUTURE PROJECTS AND INVESTMENTS

Future outdoor recreation investments should be planned and prioritized projects that will serve the community's outdoor recreational needs. Additionally, identifying potential projects will provide opportunities for the City to leverage outside funding sources by creating a planning document and identifying future potential projects.

Maintenance

Playground equipment and Replacement Schedule

A priority for the City is the replacement of outdoor playground equipment in the city's parks. An assessment of the safety and the condition of the equipment has been conducted by city staff. A detailed list of maintenance needs is included in this plan starting on page 46. This list will figure into the replacement schedule of the equipment, and other outdoor park maintenance concerns.

Potential Future Projects:

The projects listed below constitute new projects or the expansion of developed facilities in the city to reflect changing needs, demands or enhanced access. The potential to complete the projects will depend on resources, opportunities, and the needs of the City of Marinette.

Trails

Kopish Miron Boyle Faller Walk: Future trail development at this park.

North of Water Street: Future off road trail development. Negotiation with the railroad is a component of any future work at this location.

University Drive: Between Roosevelt Road and Pierce Avenue

In the long term, a possible multi-jurisdictional project for an off-road trail development. There is a need for a safe east-to-west route connecting to Bay Shore Street on the southern side of the city. This area has been identified as a potential route to pursue with public and private partners.

Acquisition

Kopish Miron Boyle Faller Park: The purchase of 39.75 acres to provide a permanent connection to two city-owned parcels and a trail that surrounds this parcel. This acquisition will guarantee additional trail continuity and natural open space for the community.

Canadian National (CN) Railway property from Ogden Street to 8th Street: This property is identified as a potential location for a future off road trail. Negotiation with the railroad is a component of any future work at this location.

Park Improvements

Red Arrow Park: This popular park will need continued investments for improvements. Including:

- Public beach
- Walking trails to and from the park
- Kayak launch and boat launch improvements.

Park Accessibility

ADA Standards

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 requires that "reasonable accommodation" be made for the needs of the estimated one in five people in this country who are disabled. That is, all public and private goods and service providers and employers must remove all structural and communication barriers from facilities, or that they provide alternative access where feasible.

Guidelines for public structures such as restrooms, information centers, and other public and private buildings at those sites are available at the ADA.gov website. The site has design standards and compliance information.

The following are basic standards for accessibility that are recommended for accessibility to elements of recreational facilities:

- All **restroom facilities** should be accessible by persons with disabilities. Depending on the circumstances of the facility, it could require very little modification or an extensive renovation.
- At least one **picnic table** and one **grill** designed to accommodate persons in wheelchairs should be available at each park (if these types of facilities are not currently available).
- One in 25 **parking stalls** should be designated for disabled parking. These stalls should be the closest spaces to the park or facility entrance. The stall should have a direct route to the entrance; it is to be marked and adjacent to an access aisle of 60 inches, and must have an unobscured vertical sign that shows the universal symbol of accessibility. Slope of these spaces and aisles cannot exceed 1:50.

Firm, slip resistant, barrier-free **pathways** linking park facilities within each park are recommended. They should be at least 36 inches wide, with a 60 by 60 inch passing space or turnaround provided every 200 feet.

- Where **water fountains** are available, spouts should be no more than 36 inches above the finished floor. If the fountain is freestanding or built-in and does not have a clear space underneath, a clear floor space of 30 to 48 inches alongside the fountain for a parallel approach should be provided. A wall or post of at least 27 inches high by 17 to 19 inches deep by 30 inches wide should be provided. Controls should be located at the front edge of the fountain and operable with one hand without twisting the wrist.

ADA Compliance Deadlines

When the Americans with Disabilities Act was passed by Congress in 1992, structural changes to buildings were to be completed no later than January 26, 1995. Although many communities have not yet met the deadlines, efforts should be taken by the City of Marinette to bring facilities into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Maintenance for Parks

Civic Center

Lifeguard Office

- Replace carpet and edging
- Replace desk, table and cabinet
- Replace damaged ceiling tiles
- Paint vents and fire extinguisher cabinet
- Replace light fixtures with LED fixtures
- Replace stereo/radio/cd player
- Kick plate on bathroom door

Pool Area

- New picnic tables (capital request)
- Remove/replace wooden separators on deck
- Remove wooden slats from fencing in wading pool; replace with screening
- Remove wooden slats from fencing around the compression; replace with screening
- Move the wire hanging down from the roof

Hallway and Locker rooms

- Hallway to locker rooms and to girls shower/bathroom – replace light fixtures with LED fixtures
- Locker rooms and bathrooms – replace light fixtures with LED fixtures, at minimum with daylight bulbs

Front Desk

- Replace curtain in front of the ice skates

Front Circle

- Paint curbs and sign poles
- Updated logo on sign
- Move sign and/or mount better
- A lot of broken curbs

Higley Field area

Higley Building

- Clean the windows
- Fix broken window
- Replace missing window screens and frames (ACE Hardware)
- Cover floor with linoleum or vinyl flooring in main room and bathrooms
- Carpet down the hallway to the back room
- Get the stove and sink in (sink should be in main room)

Playground Area

- Weed; spray for weeds

Maintenance for Parks (continued)

- Paint swing set
- Paint the basketball backboard
- Wood chips

Big Higley Field

- Wooden bleachers in poor condition
- Fix 3rd base dugout fence
- Reduce dip behind the infield
- Straighten foul pole

Small Higley Field

- Paint bleachers

Higley General

- Upgrade wooden garbage can holders
- Add dog waste bag dispensers
- Paint poles
- Remove and/or replace Young Lungs sign
- Softball field lights – check to see if they are all working
- Sand volleyball court – usable condition or remove

City Park

Campground

- Bathrooms
 - Clean daily
 - Replace light fixtures with LED fixtures
 - Replace doors; add key pads
- Add tenting sites

Playground and Pavilion Areas

- Paint swings and teeter totters
- Replace broken swing
- Weed; spray for weeds
- Wood chips
- Clean bathrooms daily
- Replace bathroom light fixtures with LED lights
- Picnic table - replace the boards on bench and tighten screws on table
- Add garbage can by grill area
- Replace grill, paint the pole
- Horseshoe area – keep in usable condition or remove
- Add another dog waste bag dispenser

Maintenance for Parks (continued)

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- Hallway to locker rooms and to girls shower/bathroom – replace light fixtures with LED fixtures
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Front Desk

- Replace curtain in front of the ice skates

Front Circle

- Paint curbs and sign poles
- Updated logo on sign
- Move sign and/or mount better
- A lot of broken curbs

Higley Field area

Higley Building

- Clean the windows
- Fix broken window
- Replace missing window screens and frames (ACE Hardware)
- Cover floor with linoleum or vinyl flooring in main room and bathrooms
- Carpet down the hallway to the back room
- Get the stove and sink in (sink should be in main room)

Playground Area

- Weed; spray for weeds

Maintenance for Parks (continued)

- Paint swing set
- Paint the basketball backboard
- Wood chips

Big Higley Field

- Wooden bleachers in poor condition
- Fix 3rd base dugout fence
- Reduce dip behind the infield
- Straighten foul pole

Small Higley Field

- Paint bleachers

Higley General

- Upgrade wooden garbage can holders
- Add dog waste bag dispensers
- Paint poles
- Remove and/or replace Young Lungs sign
- Softball field lights – check to see if they are all working
- Sand volleyball court – usable condition or remove

City Park

Campground

- Bathrooms
 - Clean daily
 - Replace light fixtures with LED fixtures
 - Replace doors; add key pads
- Add tenting sites

Playground and Pavilion Areas

- Paint swings and teeter totters
- Replace broken swing
- Weed; spray for weeds
- Wood chips
- Clean bathrooms daily
- Replace bathroom light fixtures with LED lights
- Picnic table - replace the boards on bench and tighten screws on table
- Add garbage can by grill area
- Replace grill, paint the pole
- Horseshoe area – keep in usable condition or remove
- Add another dog waste bag dispenser

Maintenance for Parks (continued)

Teacher's Park

- Replace fiberglass bench
- Similar benches?
- Weed/clean up flower bed
- Edge sidewalk
- Remove posts around tree
- Bench facing Hall Ave. needs work
- Is a dog waste dispenser needed?

Duer Gym

- Pick up cigarette butts
- Fix broken window
- Swing set – replace?
- Paint teeter totter
- Replace child's swing
- Weed; spray for weeds
- Wood chips
- Paint railing in front of building
- Fix handicapped sign in front of building
- New liner rugs in entranceway
- Replace light fixture in bathrooms with LED fixtures
- Redo flooring in north room
- Replace blinds in north room (mini-scape)
- Paint ceiling in north room
- Replace light fixtures in north room with LED fixtures
- Replace shelving in south room

Fred Carney Park

Softball Field

- Put in home plate and bases
- Drag the field – get the rocks off

Basketball court

- Replace nets
- Paint poles and backboards

Building

- Water fountain needs work
- Replace bathroom lights with LED fixtures
- Paint trim on outside of building

Maintenance for Parks (continued)

Playground area

- Paint baby swing set and teeter totters
- Fix/replace slide with cracked end
- Weed; spray for weeds
- Wood chips

General

- Add dog waste bag dispenser
- Paint No Parking pole
- Outside water fountain

Red Arrow Park

Bathrooms

- Replace men's/women's signs
- Replace light fixtures with LED fixtures.
- Benches inside
- Fix broken screen

Beach area

- Sweep beach
- Cut/weed whack grass by bench

South Parking Lot

- Add dog waste bag dispenser (that side of the park)
- Weed lot and fill in cracks
- Add garbage can
- Add kayak launch?

North Parking Lot

- Put a sign on the empty pole or take it down

Park area

- Add grills
- Horseshoe area – keep in usable condition or remove
- Light on Granite monument
- Weed around bricks in monument area; spray for weeds

Playground Area

- Weed; spray for weeds
- Wood chips

Maintenance for Parks (continued)

Outdoor Pavilion

- Not handicapped accessible from south parking lot.

Daggett St. Park

- Paint swing sets and teeter totter
- Tighten benches on picnic tables
- Replace rim on basketball backboard
- Trim tree hanging over basketball court
- Weed whack along baseball backstop
- Add dog bag dispenser
- Add garbage can
- Paint over graffiti on small slide set
- Weed; spray for weeds
- Wood chips

Division St. Tennis/Basketball Courts

- Weed; spray
- Fill cracks

Stephenson Island

- Repair base of memorial statue

Main Pavilion

- Fix ramps
- Paint wood trim, columns, doors, railings
- Power wash ceiling
- Soffits
- Add WIFI or remove sign

Playground

- Replace boards on benches
- Wood chips
- Put black edging around wood chips

Small Pavilion

- Black edging and wood chips – large flower bed near small pavilion
- Wood chips around tree by small pavilion
- Reset large grill and paint post
- Replace trash cans

Bathrooms

- Bleach floors
- Spruce them up

Maintenance for Parks (continued)

General

- All benches and tables need work (resetting, boards, etc.)
- Add dog waste bag dispenser farther in the park

Welcome Center

- Weed flower beds
- Matching tables
- Two more picnic tables
- Dog waste bag dispenser needed?
- Upgrade printer
- Camera system

Funding Programs

Funding for recreational development can come from a number of sources both public and private. Most funding for this type of development comes from public local funds. Primarily, local funds come from a number of sources including the sale of bonds, allocations from the local tax base, and donations from individuals and organizations. Non-local funding can come from a number of sources, either in the form of a grant or a loan. Currently, the DNR, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife, and Rural Development (RDA) provide competitive funding relating to outdoor recreation.

The Wisconsin Waterways Commission is a good source of funding for acquiring and improving those amenities that primarily benefit recreational boaters in the state. Boat ramps, launches, parking lots, restrooms, and other boating related improvements can be 50% funded under this quarterly grant program administered by the WDNR.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is probably the main source of funds for outdoor recreation facilities. The Stewardship Program, administered by the DNR, is a fund designed to provide opportunities for outdoor recreation, protect land sensitive to environmental degradation, conserve and restore wildlife habitat and protect water quality. As a prerequisite to the following WDNR funding programs, applicants must first submit a comprehensive outdoor recreation plan, such as this plan, or a master plan that has been approved by resolution by a local governing unit, or a plan of a higher unit of government. Applicants submitting qualifying comprehensive outdoor recreation plans or master plans may receive eligibility to apply for funding for up to five years. The DNR's priority for funding is land acquisition, followed by facility development.

Outdoor recreation grant programs currently administered by the DNR include:

All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Program

The ATV program provides funds to accommodate all-terrain vehicles through the acquisition, insurance, development, and maintenance of all-terrain vehicle trails and areas, including routes.

ATV Enforcement Patrol

The ATV Enforcement Patrol provides grants to county sheriffs for all-terrain vehicle patrols.

County Conservation Aids

The County Conservation Aids provide funds to counties or recognized Indian tribes to carry out fish or wildlife management projects that enhance fish and wildlife habitat or fishing and hunting opportunities.

Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration

The Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration provides funding for sport fish restoration and boating access including the construction of boat landings and fishing piers.

Recreational Boating Facilities Program

The Recreational Boating Facilities program provides funds to local units of government and qualified lake associations for the construction of capital improvements to provide safe recreational boating facilities. The program also provides financial assistance for feasibility studies related to the development of safe recreational boating facilities, purchase of aquatic weed harvesting equipment, purchase of navigation

aids, dredging of channels of waterways, and chemical treatment of Eurasian water milfoil.

Recreational Trails Program

The Recreation Trails Program provides funds for motorized and non-motorized recreation trail rehabilitation, trail maintenance, trail development, and trail acquisition.

Snowmobile Trail Aids

Snowmobile Trail Aids provide funds to maintain trail systems that provide passage through a county and connections with adjacent counties.

County Snowmobile Enforcement Patrols

County Snowmobile Enforcement Patrols provide funds for county snowmobile patrols functioning as a law enforcement unit for the enforcement of Ch. 350, Wis. Stats.

Stewardship Local Assistance - Acquisition and Development of Local Parks

Stewardship Local Assistance - Acquisition and Development of Local Parks provides funding to acquire land, rights in land, and develop public outdoor recreation areas for nature-based outdoor recreation purposes.

Stewardship Local Assistance - Urban Rivers

Stewardship Local Assistance - Urban Rivers provides funds for the acquisition of land in urban areas. Projects focus on providing access for the greatest number of potential users, and providing the greatest opportunities for nature-based outdoor recreation.

Stewardship Local Assistance - Urban Greenspace

Stewardship Local Assistance - Urban Greenspace provides funds for the acquisition of land in and around urban areas. Projects focus on providing access for the greatest number of potential users, and providing the greatest opportunities for nature-based outdoor recreation.

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

The LWCF provides financial assistance to state agencies, counties, villages, towns, school districts, cities, and Indian tribes for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. The program provides up to 50 percent reimbursement grants for approved state and local projects. Competition for LWCF funds is on a statewide basis.

Rural Development Administration (USDA - Rural Development)

The USDA provides a loan program, which provides Community Facility Project Loans to applicants with areas of less than 20,000 people, for the purpose of constructing, enlarging, or improving community facilities for health care, public safety, or public services. These loans should be secured with bonds or notes pledging taxes, assessments, or revenues.

There are many Rural Development program that are different areas of community development that could provide loans, or possibly grants, if criteria are met for income and utility rates, for facilities in the communities that are smaller in size.

Coastal Management Program, Department of Administration

Wisconsin Coastal Management Program (WCMP) is dedicated to preserving and improving access to the natural and historic resources of Wisconsin's Great Lakes coasts. This program offers opportunities for planning, access to water, storm water management planning and other funding assistance.

Transportation Assistance Program (TAP) Wisconsin Department of Transportation

This program provides funds for non-traditional projects within programs called the [Safe Routes to School Program](#), [Transportation Enhancements](#), and the [Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Program](#). The TAP program provides up to 80 percent reimbursement grants for approved projects that target transportation oriented pedestrian and bicycle planning and construction projects.

Community Development Block Grant, Department of Administration

This program funds support infrastructure and facility projects for communities. Examples of eligible projects include improvements, repairs, or expansions of streets, drainage systems, water and sewer systems, sidewalks, and community centers.