

City Council Work Session Handouts

October 29, 2012

- I. Review and Discuss the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan

PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN 2010 & BEYOND

Adopted September 13, 2010 Review October 29, 2012



**City Council Work Session Meeting
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PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN

Overview & Near Term Action Items

Presentation Overview

- Review the Park Recreation and Open Space Master Plan
- Provide a progress report of implementation
- Be responsive to the City Council Near Term Action Items:
 - Item 39 **“Develop a schedule in which each Commission has an opportunity to meet with the City Council in a work session.”**
 - Item 13 **“Evaluate funding strategies, timing, and implementation planning Parks.”**
 - Item 17 **“Evaluate appropriate opportunities for public-private partnerships for future development, city services/amenities and parks.”**

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Richardson Parks Recreation and Open Space Master Plan

BACKGROUND

Master Plan

- **A Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan is a comprehensive planning tool used to help guide larger decisions on the community needs for outdoor and indoor recreation, ultimately leading to a set of recommendations on the development/redevelopment of a Parks system.**
 - **The master plan is a jurisdiction wide plan for the entire City of Richardson. The plan will be broken down into regions of the City.**
 - **The duration of the plan is ten years, however a 5 year update is required for grant submission according to Texas Parks and Wildlife.**
 - **National, State, and local trends are evaluated and considered for incorporation in the system.**
 - **Priorities are weighed and calculated based on public input ultimately reflecting the highest needs for the community.**

Master Plan

- **Guidelines for development of the system are examined and refined to plan for a system of parks and open space that reflect the public wants, needs, and desires. identifying needs for future development of parks and recreational programming.**
- **The master plan is a sub plan to the Comprehensive Planning guide**
- **The master plan includes the following:**
 - **Goals and Objectives**
 - **Park classification and inventory**
 - **Assessment of needs and conclusions**
 - **Implementation**
 - **Maps, research, and aquatics master plan**
 - **Methodology**
 - **Level of service**
 - **Priorities/Recommendations**
 - **Existing and available mechanisms**

Master Plan

- **MHS Planning, Tyler, Texas, was the consultant for the Park, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan, hired in June 2009.**
- **Mark Spencer, President MHS Planning, partnered with the City of Richardson to help perform the master plan.**
- **MHS planning has the reputation as one of “the best park planning firms in Texas” and has performed hundreds of Park Master Plans.**
- **MHS Planning is the same firm used in the previous Richardson Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.**

Master Plan

– Public Input

- **Planning Committee**

- PARD Staff, City Planners, PD, CMO, Traffic, Other Departments
- Parks and Recreation Commission

- » The Parks and Recreation Commission recommended the Master Plan through the April 15th Priority List process 2009.

- **Public Input**

- Focus Groups
- Meetings
- Surveys

– Inventory of Areas and Facilities

- Existing parks, recreation, and open space areas and facilities currently within the system assessed.
- School and private recreational facilities assessed.

Master Plan

– Needs Assessment

- Demand based – participation rates.
- Standard based – established standards to determine the needs met per population size.
- Resource based – available resources such as forests, streams, or prairie lands.
- Indoor and outdoor needs will be assessed independently.

– Demographics

- Socio economic data, ethnicity, age, and income.
- Current and projected growth patterns, and the City's role in providing Parks and Recreation Opportunities.

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- A background image of a golf course. In the foreground, a light-colored path curves along a grassy area. In the middle ground, a lush green golf course is visible with several people scattered across it. A small pond or water feature is on the right side. The background is filled with dense green trees under a bright sky.
- **Although standards will be determined locally, ...National, State, and regional standards will be evaluated and considered for incorporation in the master plan**
 - **National Recreation and Parks Association’s Park, Recreation, Open Space & Greenway Guidelines**
 - **North Central Texas Council of Government – Mobility 2030, Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan**

MASTER PLAN

- **Parks, Recreation Programming, and Open Spaces- will be examined and evaluated for effectiveness and efficiency including forecast for repair, renovation, or replacement of facilities.**
 - **Renovation- “to make new again, make over”. Work on existing facilities to completely renew, update, or modernize such facilities so the finished product will meet present day standards and be comparable with the newly constructed similar facilities.**
 - **Redevelopment- the removal of obsolete facilities and construction of new ones.**
 - **Repairs and or maintenance- identify and quantify facilities needing refurbishment.**

PLANNING PROCESS

- **Planning process - September 2009 thru February 2010**
 - Inventoried existing parks, open spaces and recreational resources
 - Conducted citizen survey
 - Conducted focus group interviews
 - Received community leaders/staff input
 - Compared facilities and park network with national standards and peer cities
 - Prepared recommendations and draft plan
 - Received public response to plan
- **City Council and Park and Recreation Commission reviewed and refined the recommended PROSMP - February 2010 to July 2010**
- **Final recommendations and adoption of the PROSMP – September 2010**

RESOLUTION NO. 10-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE CITY OF RICHARDSON PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN 2010 AND BEYOND; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City has inventoried existing parks, open spaces and recreational resources, conducted citizen surveys, conducted focus group interviews, received community leaders and City staff input, compared facilities and park networks with national standards and peer cities, and received public response to the City of Richardson Parks, Recreation & Open Space master Plan 2010 and Beyond; and

WHEREAS, a quality park system is a key component of the quality of life in Richardson; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Commission has reviewed the City of Richardson Parks, Recreation & Open Space master Plan 2010 and Beyond and recommends its adoption; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the City of Richardson Parks, Recreation & Open Space master Plan 2010 and finds that the same should be adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Richardson Parks, Recreation & Open Space master Plan 2010 and Beyond, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Secretary and incorporated herein by reference is hereby adopted and shall guide the investment policies and investment strategies for the City, and shall define the authority of the investment official of the City from and after the effective date of this resolution.

SECTION 2. That all provisions of the resolutions of the City of Richardson, Texas, in conflict with the provisions of this resolution be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and all other provisions not in conflict with the provisions of this resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

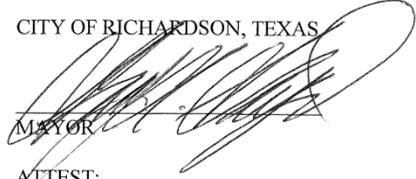
SECTION 3. That should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this resolution be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not

affect the validity of the remaining portions of said resolution which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately from and after its passage.

DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Richardson, Texas, on this the 13th day of September, 2010.

CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


CITY ATTORNEY
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The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan (PROSMP) was adopted in September of 2010. This presentation is a review of the master plan, the progress and accomplishments to date, and the challenges in the future the PROSMP identifies.



Richardson Parks Recreation and Open Space Master Plan

NEEDS ASSESSMENT STUDY

Presented By:

National Service Research (NSR)

Introduction and Methodology

- **National Service Research (NSR) completed a comprehensive research study for the City of Richardson, Texas as part of the Comprehensive Park and Recreation Master Plan. An important aspect of the Master Plan was to conduct a demand and needs assessment which involved citizen input.**
- **The purpose of the needs assessment study was to provide a foundation for the Comprehensive Park and Recreation Master Plan that would provide guidance based upon citizen needs and priorities.**
- **NSR worked closely with MHS Planning and Design and the City of Richardson staff throughout the research process.**

Needs Assessment Methodology

- Conducted a public meeting on July 27, 2009 and two focus groups on July 30, 2009.
- Interviewed community leaders, city council, allied partners, park & recreation commission, and city staff.
- The results of these discussions assisted in the design of the survey document.
- NSR mailed 7,000 surveys proportionately to five sectors in Richardson. A total of 525 mail surveys were returned and computer processed.
- NSR also provided an online survey link to the City of Richardson which was posted on their web site. A total of 140 survey responses were received via the online survey for a total of 665 surveys.
- The margin of error of this sample size at a 95% confidence level is plus or minus 4%.



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AQUATICS FACILITY PLANNING

Presented By:
Counsilman ▪ Hunsaker

Types of Aquatic Programming

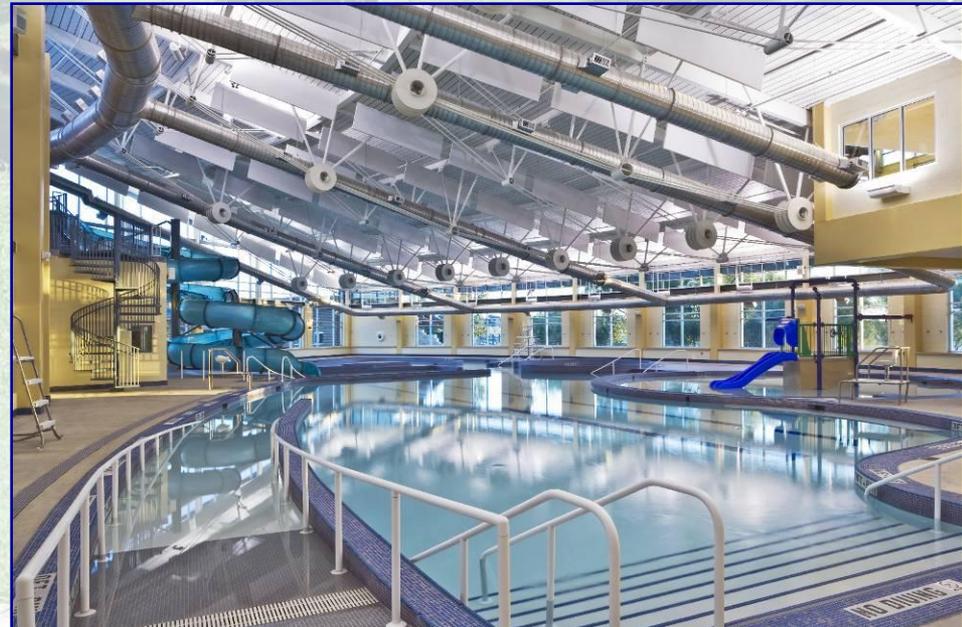
Aquatic Components

- Competitive
- Recreation
- Instruction
- Fitness & Therapy



Recreation

- 1980's - Development of Family Aquatic Center
 - Families with Small Children 5-12 Years of Age
- 1990's Young Adults Definition of Aquatics
- 2000's Experience Management



Waterslides



Participatory Play Features / Zero Depth Entry



Lazy River / Current River and Vortex



Diving Boards and Deep Water Activities



Fitness Lap Lanes



Instructional User Group

Programs:

- Learn to swim
- Water safety instruction
- Lifeguard instruction
- Life safety skills
- Survival swimming
- Scuba
- Other aquatic skills

Needs:

- Open Water Areas
- Varying Water Depths
- Step Entries



Therapy & Wellness Programming

Rapidly Growing User Group

- Unique Programming Times
- Revenue Source
- Multi-Generational



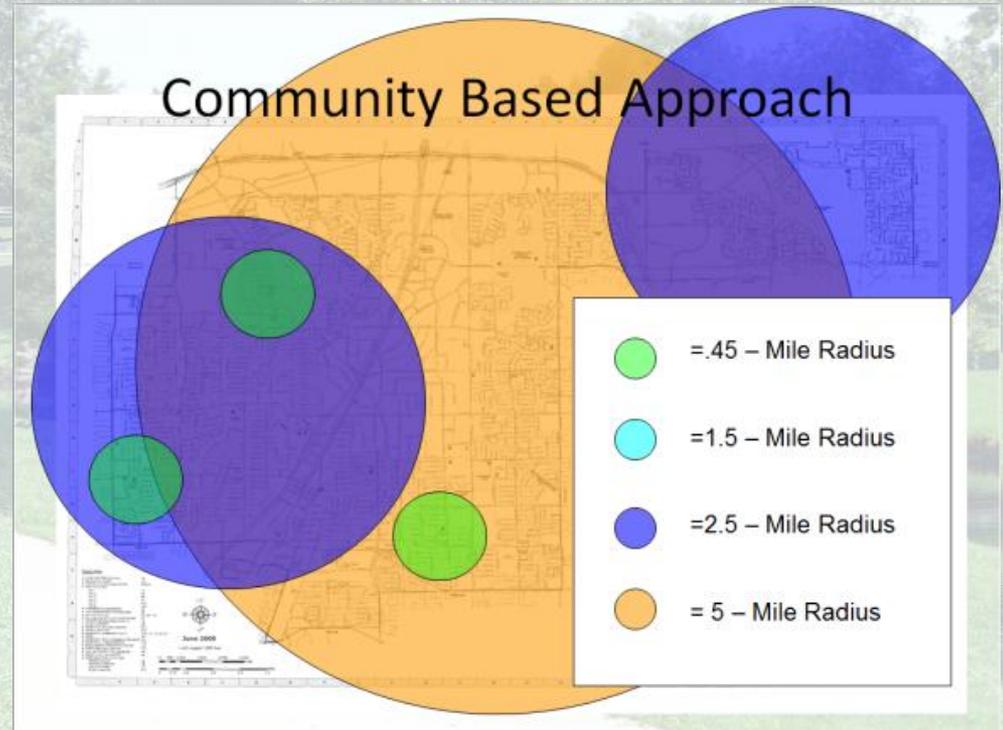
Today's – Municipal Experience



Recommended Best Practice Approach

Community Approach

- 2 Community Pools
- 3 Spray Grounds
- 1 Indoor Natatorium



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan

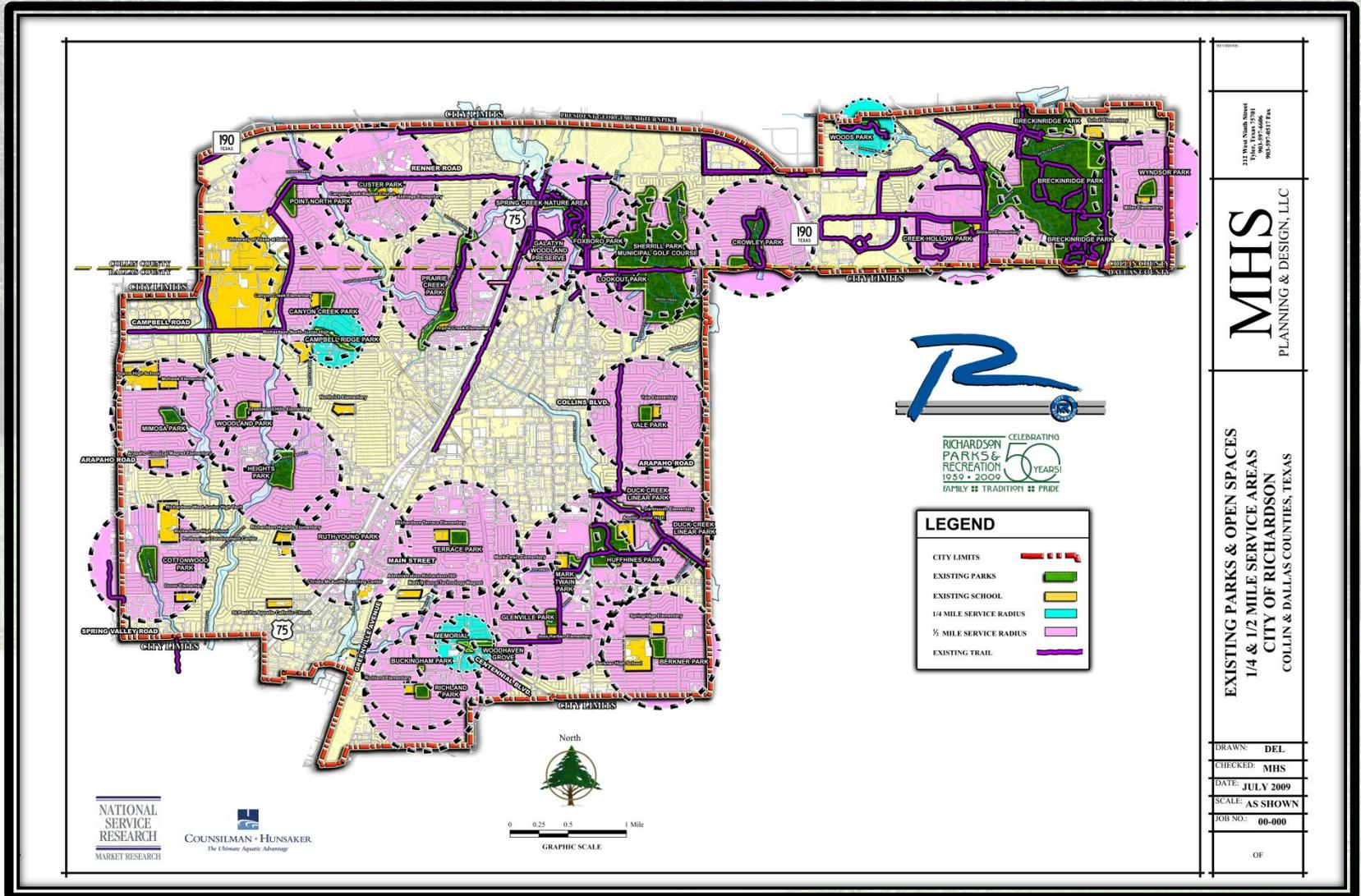
The following executive summary combines:

- Survey data
- Focus group information
- Comparative Analysis
- Best Practices
- Standards and guidelines

The executive summary is a combination of multi approaches in to a final set of conclusions and implementation items.

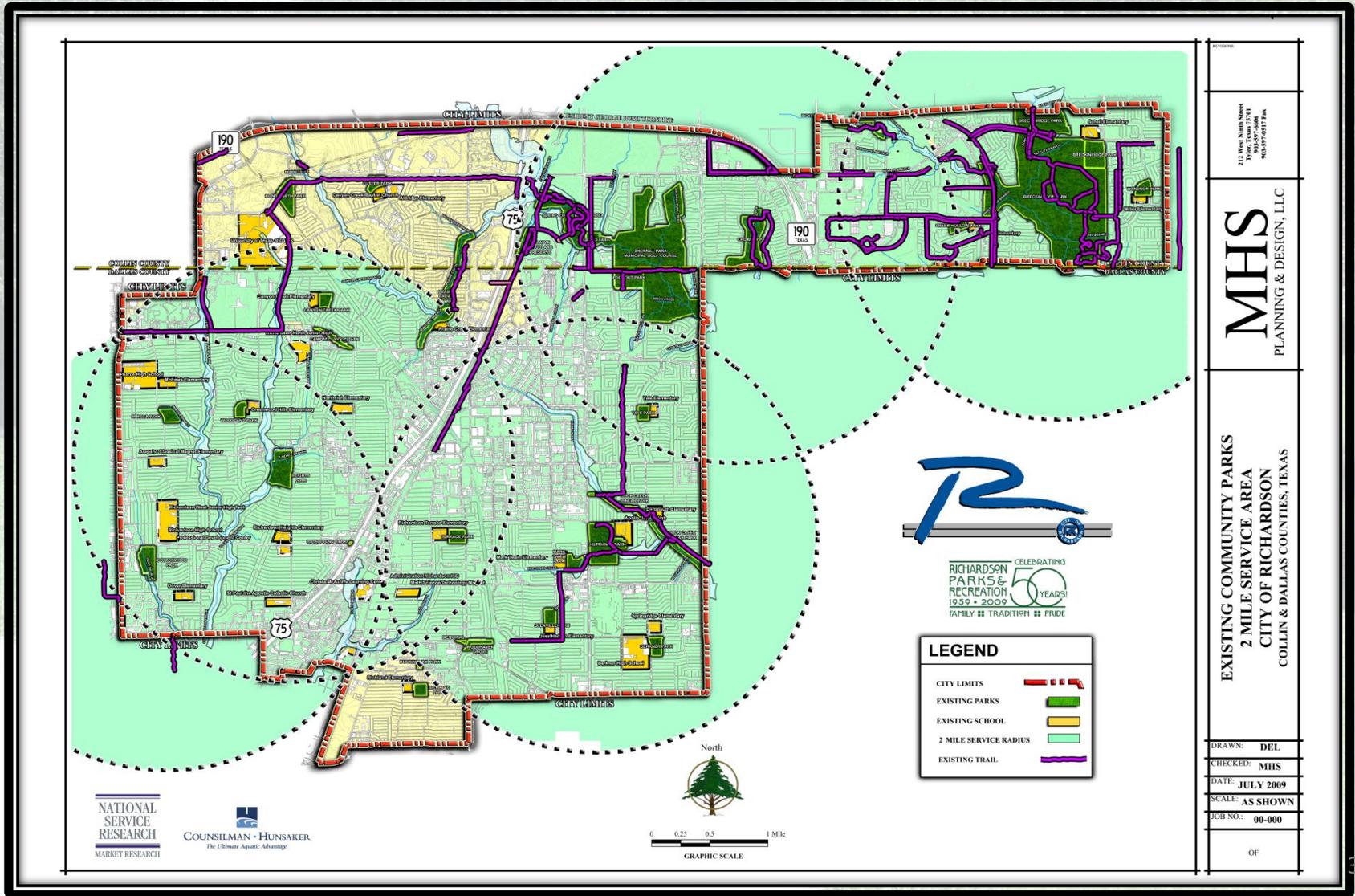
EXISTING PARKS & OPEN SPACES

1/4 & 1/2 MILE SERVICE RADIUS



EXISTING COMMUNITY PARKS

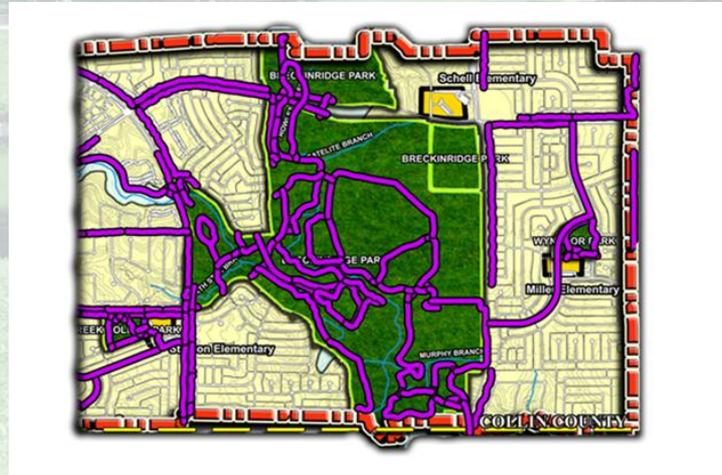
2 MILE SERVICE RADIUS



EXISTING REGIONAL PARKS

10 MILE SERVICE RADIUS

SERVES A 10 MILE RADIUS



LEVEL OF SERVICE

TOTAL PARK ACRES – 1,165.1

TOTAL PARK ACRES PER 1,000 RESIDENTS – 11.7

FOCUS GROUP INPUT

- A small family oriented town with good community values nestled into a large urban area
- Good schools and government with exceptional staffs
- Strong sense of community (people invest here)
- Small city character should be maintained
- More people work here than live here
- There is a need to attract young families to take the place of an aging population
- There are strong partnerships between the city and Richardson ISD, UT Dallas, Richland College and Dallas County – these partnerships should be continued and expanded
- Richardson's geographic location in the metroplex is a key asset
- Neighborhood parks and neighborhood pools are very important to the residents

FOCUS GROUP INPUT

Needs/Vision of the Current Park & Open Space System

- Trails that connect into a true network – some soft surface
- Natural areas (nature interpretation/wildlife habitat areas)
- Dog parks
- Shade (in parks and along trails – more trees)
- Further development of Breckinridge Park
- A signature project that is the nucleus of Richardson
- A new park to serve the southwestern portion of town
- Transform underutilized land uses – i.e. old commercial centers into green spaces and parks
- More cultural programs – i.e. plays and concerts in parks

FOCUS GROUP INPUT

Needs/Vision of the Current Park & Open Space System

- More park facilities specifically for teens and seniors
- Additional landscaping in some of the smaller parks to add character and beauty – move them from being functional to being inviting and fun
- Utilize native landscaping that requires less maintenance and water

FOCUS GROUP INPUT

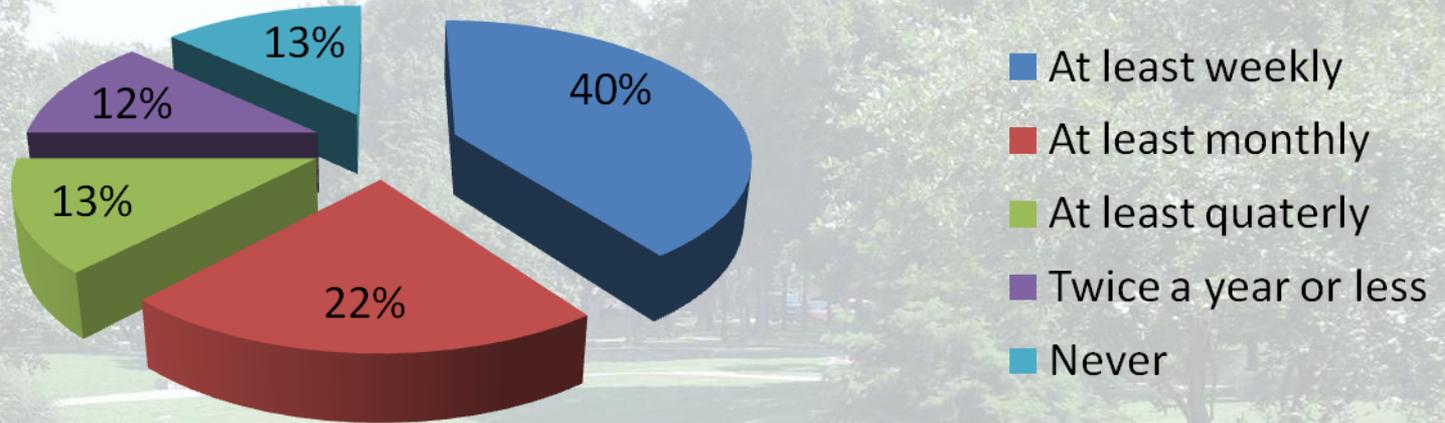
Mentions of Park Needs

- Community gardens
- Disc golf courses
- Spraygrounds/parks
- Indoor pool (horizontal and vertical water)
- Multi-use building
- Outdoor amphitheater
- Update indoor facilities
- More benches (utilize natural sitting elements – rocks, tree trunks)
- Skate park
- Mountain bike trails
- Indoor gym
- Baseball amenities
- Lighted playing fields for practice and games

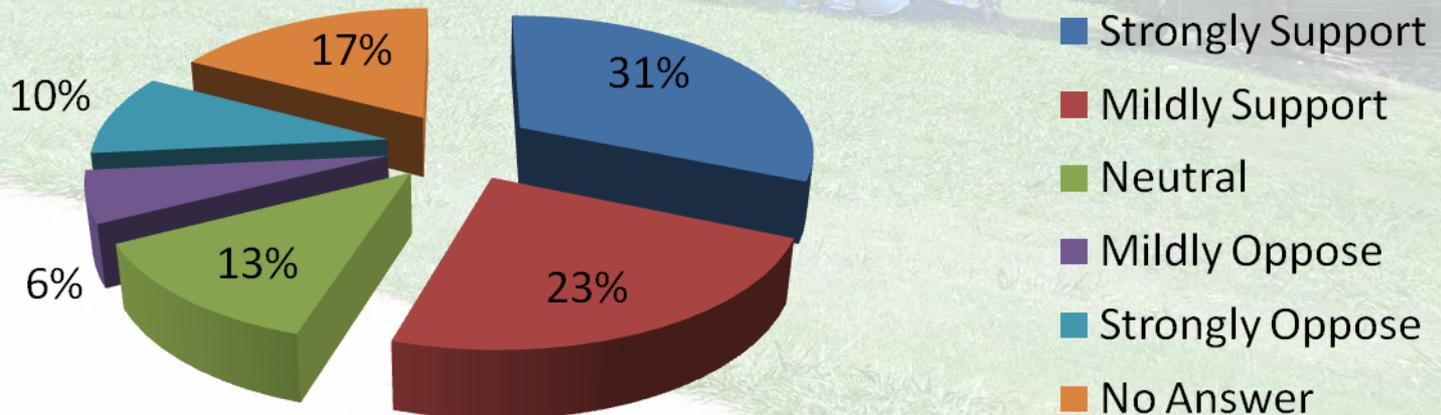
CITIZEN SURVEY

**665 Responses
(525 mail/140 online)**

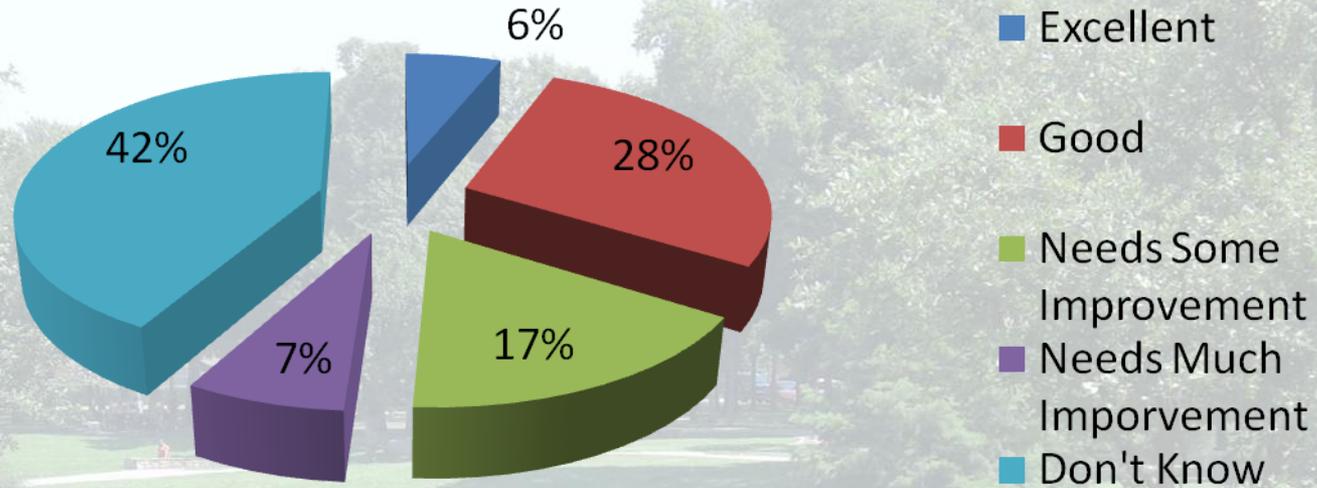
Frequency of Visiting Parks in Richardson



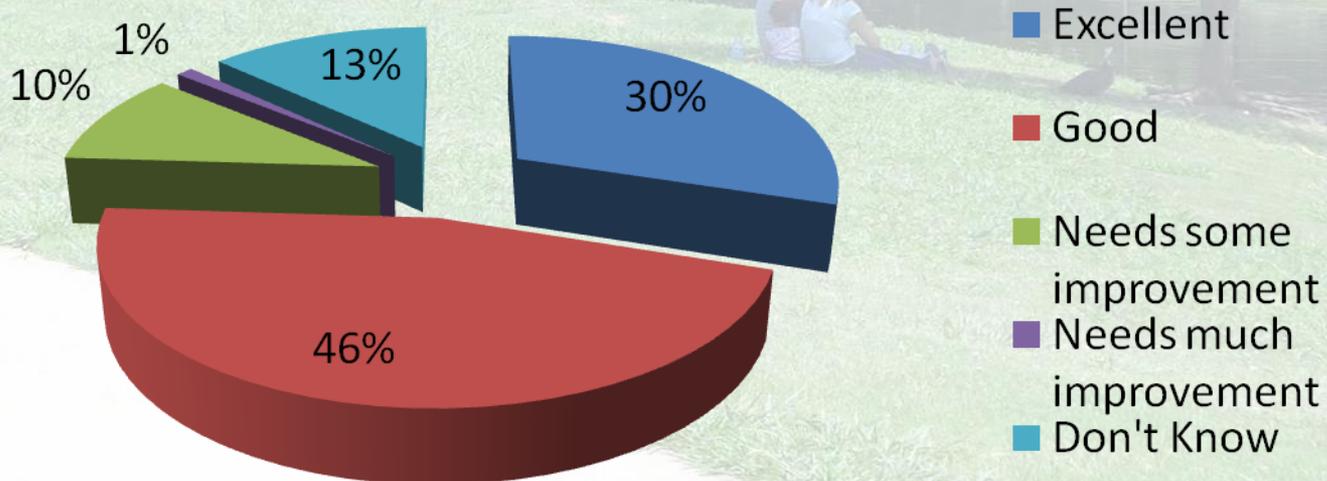
Pool Option – Retain Two or Three Pools and Build an Aquatic Center



Maintenance Rating of Recreation Centers in Richardson



Maintenance Rating of Parks In Richardson



WHAT FACILITIES ARE NEEDED MOST IN RICHARDSON?

	FACILITY	PRIORITY SCORE	HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD U-45 AGE GROUP
1	Additional multi-use trails with connections	14.57	1
2	New indoor pool	9.60	2
3	Dog park	9.48	5
4	Additional nature trails/greenway corridors	9.42	3
5	Additional open space/natural areas	6.00	10
6	Botanical garden	5.33	18
7	New sprayground	4.37	4
8	Additional benches/seating areas	4.17	14
9	New outdoor aquatic center	3.64	8
10	Senior center	3.40	
11	Community garden	3.37	6
12	Additional picnic shelters	2.85	
13	New amphitheater	2.44	15

	FACILITY	PRIORITY SCORE	HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD U-45 AGE GROUP
14	Additional recreation center	2.22	7
15	Additional playgrounds	1.75	17
16	Additional baseball fields	1.72	12
17	New skate park	1.68	13
18	Additional soccer fields	1.57	11
19	New disc golf course	1.54	19
20	Additional basketball courts	1.45	9
21	Additional tennis courts	1.41	16
22	New BMX track	0.80	20
23	Additional softball fields	0.61	
24	Additional football fields	0.55	
25	Cricket fields	0.39	
26	Lacrosse fields	0.37	
27	Rugby fields	0.18	

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS FOCUS GROUP

Strengths of the Park System

- Trails near the employment centers
- New softball fields and recreation center

Improvements to facilities needed

- Heights Recreation Center – too small
- Pools need more upkeep

Programs – Corporate Challenge – Strengths

- Helps with camaraderie/team building
- Introduces people to Richardson's park system
- Helps young professionals meet people from other companies
- Extending off season programs – softball & kickball would help

NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS

How can Richardson attract 20 – 30 year olds?

- Trails – communicate what you have through social networks
- Not looking for family/kid type park
- Provide more bike to work opportunities
- Improve trail signage
- More social (not overly competitive) programs such as softball, soccer, basketball and volleyball
- Make it easier to find a team and sign up

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS FOCUS GROUP – FACILITY NEEDS

HIGH PRIORITIES

1. TRAILS/NATURE TRAILS
2. DOG PARK
3. INDOOR POOL
4. OPEN SPACE/NATURAL AREAS

OTHER PRIORITIES (alphabetical)

- Botanical garden
- Community garden
- Disc golf
- Football fields
- Picnic shelters
- Playgrounds
- Skate park
- Softball fields
- Sprayground
- Tennis courts



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NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND CONCLUSIONS

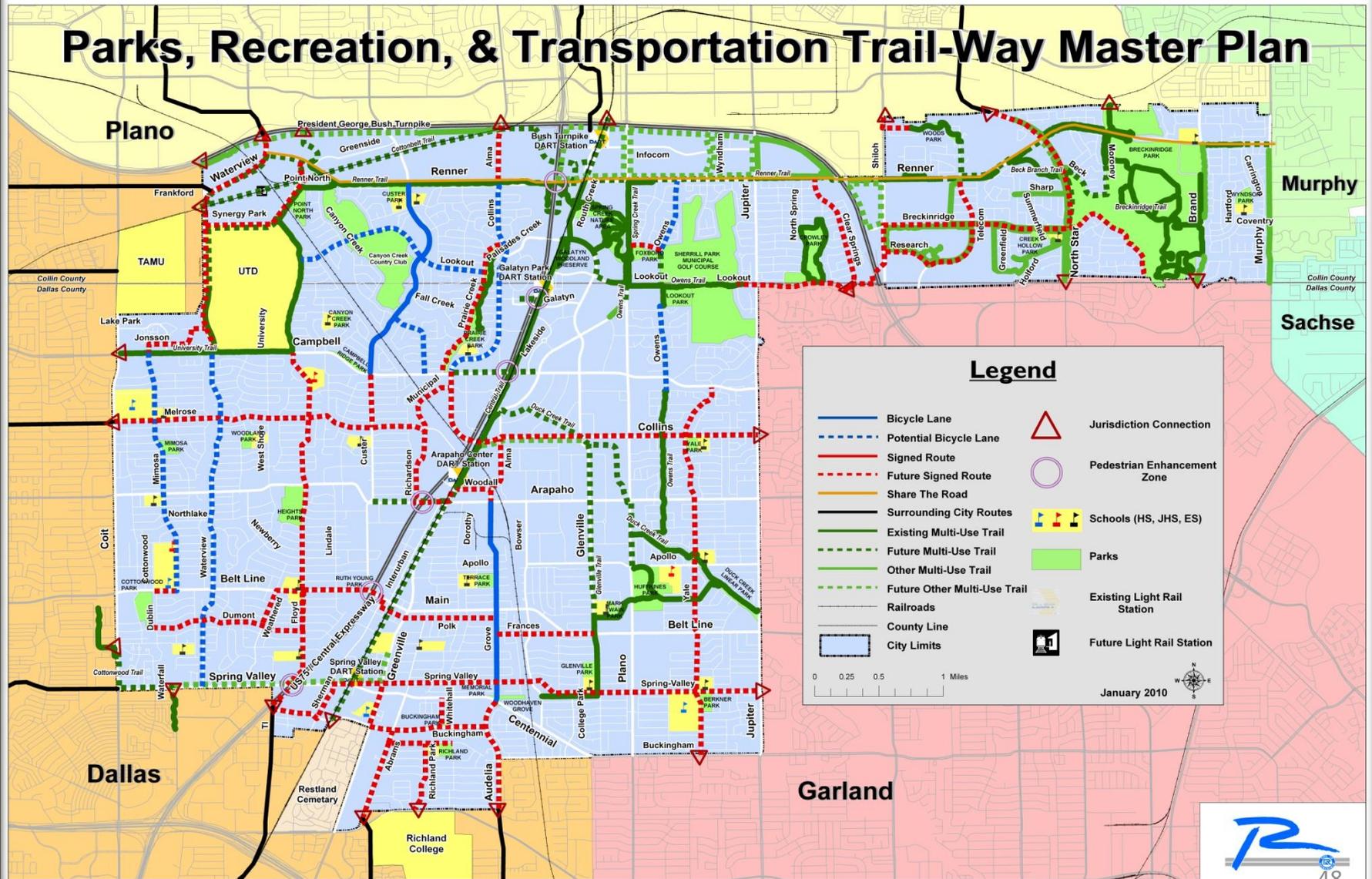
NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS

TRAILS

- There is a need to expand the trail system and close the gaps in the existing trail network to provide meaningful routes
- There is a need to improve existing trails with shade, landscaping, signage and other appropriate amenities
- There is a need to provide a wide array of trail types including: soft trails, multi-use paved trails and bicycle trails

TRAIL SYSTEM

Parks, Recreation, & Transportation Trail-Way Master Plan



Legend

- Bicycle Lane
 - - - Potential Bicycle Lane
 - Signed Route
 - - - Future Signed Route
 - Share The Road
 - Surrounding City Routes
 - Existing Multi-Use Trail
 - - - Future Multi-Use Trail
 - - - Other Multi-Use Trail
 - - - Future Other Multi-Use Trail
 - Railroads
 - County Line
 - City Limits
 - △ Jurisdiction Connection
 - Pedestrian Enhancement Zone
 - Schools (HS, JHS, ES)
 - Parks
 - Existing Light Rail Station
 - Future Light Rail Station
- 0 0.25 0.5 1 Miles
- January 2010

NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS

Urban Beautification and Identification

- There is a need to expand urban beautification programs. Neighborhood Vitality and Matching Fund Beautification are successful investments that improve Richardson's appearance and help protect land values. Infilling the tertiary open spaces with trees and landscaping is needed.
- There is a need to set Richardson apart from other communities with identification signs and beautification at the City borders. Economic Development, citizen awareness, and community distinction are realized by these investments.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS

NATURAL OPEN SPACE

- There is a need to expand, preserve and enhance the existing natural open spaces within existing parks to provide primitive recreational opportunities and habitat.
- There is a need to acquire and preserve additional natural open space as is feasible.

ATHLETICS

- Baseball/Softball: The addition of the fields currently under construction at Breckinridge Park & Huffhines Park combined with the existing fields in parks throughout the city satisfy the demand projected through the planning period.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS

ATHLETICS

- Football: There is a need to establish a youth football program & to provide a regulation size football field.
- Soccer: The existing 27 soccer fields (primarily unlighted) are struggling to satisfy the demand projected throughout the planning period – there is a strong need to develop high quality lighted soccer facility for tournament and league play to more fully meet the needs of the growing sport.
- Minor Field Sports: There is a need for a cricket pitch and lacrosse field in Richardson.
- Adult & Youth Basketball: There is a need for additional gym space to accommodate youth and adult basketball.
- Volleyball: There is a need to provide facilities for youth and adult volleyball.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS



INDOOR RECREATION

- There is a need to improve the indoor recreation offerings within the park system in accordance to the recent indoor recreation study.

PUBLIC ART

- There is a need to incorporate public art into the parks and open space system.

SENIOR CITIZENS

- There is a need to provide additional recreational amenities for senior citizens including trails, natural open spaces and an indoor pool.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS

EXISTING PARKS

- There is a need to continue park development at Breckinridge, Heights and Prairie Creek Parks in accordance with their adopted master plans.
- There is a need to improve existing neighborhood parks in a way that reflects the character of the neighborhoods that they serve similar to the unique identity associated with the neighborhood vitality program.

NEW PARKS

- There is a need for a +/- 5 acre neighborhood park in southwestern Richardson to serve the currently underserved area.
- There is a need for a +/- 5 acres park within the Telecom Corridor to meet the recreational needs of those that work there.
- There is a need for a central community park to serve as the recreational and cultural hub of the city.
- There is a need for a +/- 25 acre park devoted to tournament quality field sports including: soccer, football, cricket and lacrosse.
- There is a need for +/- 5 acre neighborhood park in the Northrich area.
- There is a need to integrate trails/public open space/parks into Transit Oriented Developments.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT/CONCLUSIONS

SWIMMING/AQUATICS

- There is a need for an indoor aquatic facility to meet the competitive, therapeutic, exercise and leisure aquatic needs of the community.
- There is a need to address aging swimming pools in the park system
- There is a need to provide aquatics in the currently underserved northeastern portion of the city.

TODAY'S AQUATICS

Canyon Creek



1970

Arapaho



1964

Cottonwood



1965

Terrace

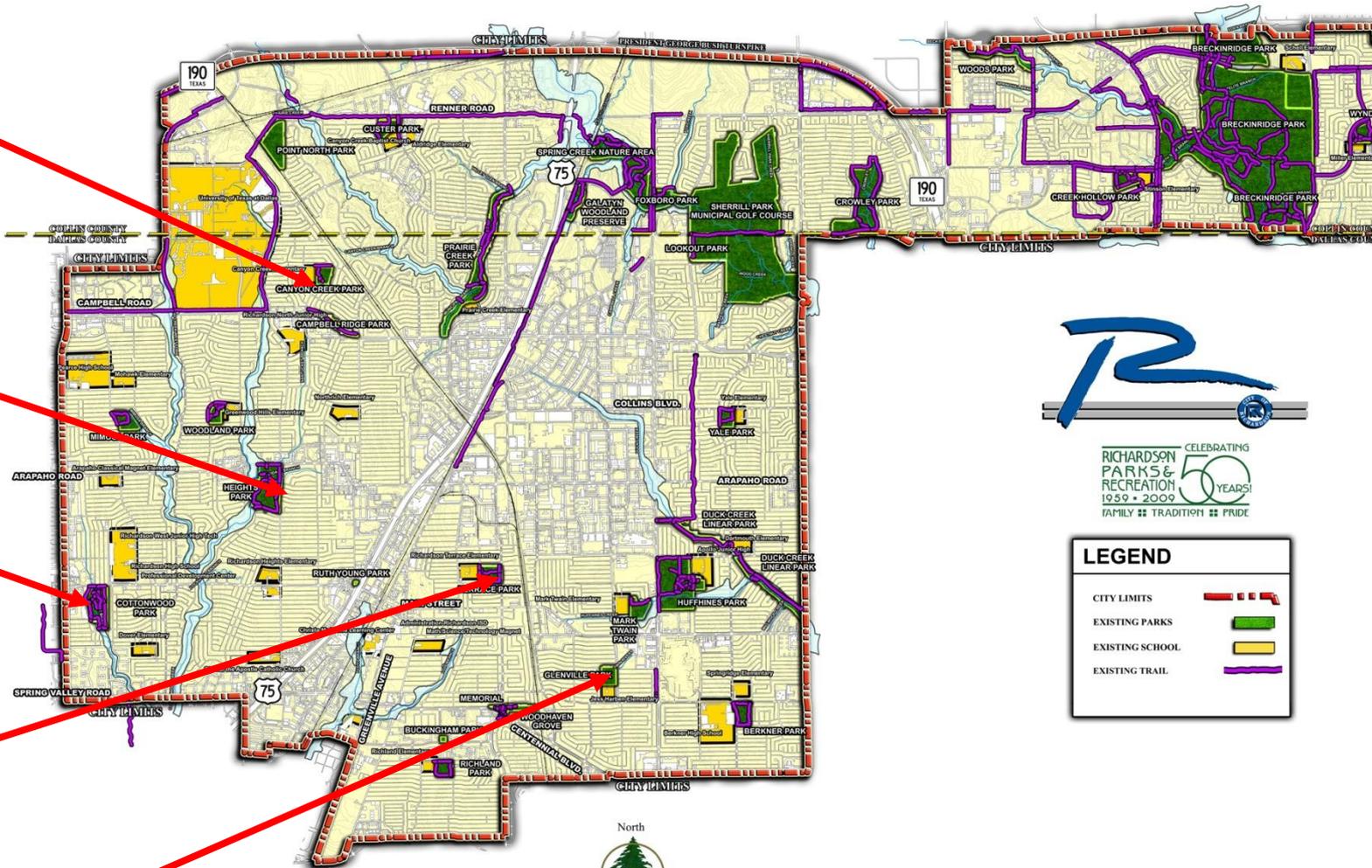


1959

Glenville



1970

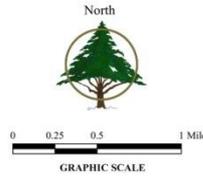


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LEGEND	
CITY LIMITS	
EXISTING PARKS	
EXISTING SCHOOL	
EXISTING TRAIL	

NATIONAL SERVICE RESEARCH
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AQUATIC TOOL BOX

- Splash Pad (Pad) –Interactive water play element with no standing water
- Small Neighborhood Family Aquatic Center (SNFAC) – Outdoor multi-purpose recreation pool
- Neighborhood Family Aquatic Center (NFAC) – Outdoor multi-purpose recreation pool with short course competition pool
- Medium Family Aquatic Center (MFAC) –Outdoor recreation pool and a separate short course competition pool



AQUATIC TOOL BOX

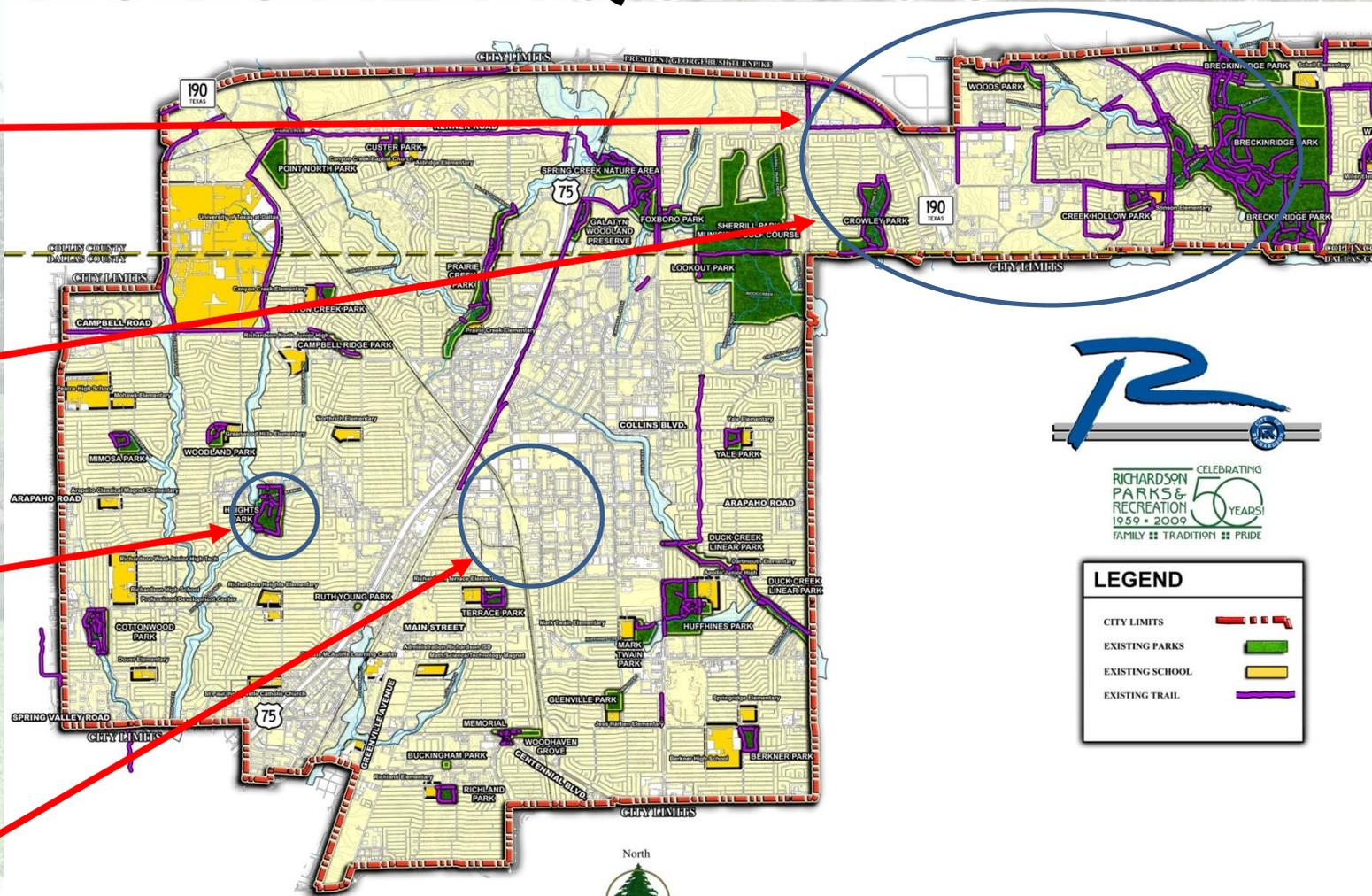
- Large Family Aquatic Center (LFAC) – Outdoor recreation pool and a long course competition pool
- Indoor Aquatic Center (Indoor) – Indoor competition and recreation pool
- Indoor 50 Meter Competition Pool (Venue) – Indoor 50 meter pool, dive well with platform diving, and an indoor leisure pool



AQUATIC IMPLEMENTATION

- Replace Arapaho Pool with NFAC
- Add New Indoor Aquatic Center – centrally located
- Add New NFAC in northeast Richardson
- Add sprayground in northeast Richardson
- Continue operation of remaining outdoor pools (Cottonwood, Canyon Creek, Glenville, and Terrace)

FUTURE AQUATICS

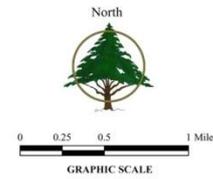


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RECOMMENDED FACILITY PRIORITIES

RANK	FACILITY
1	Multi-use Paved Trails
2	Swimming Pools/Spraygrounds
3	Natural Areas
4	Dog Park
5	Botanical/Community Garden
6	Benches and Seating Areas
7	Picnic Shelters/Pavilions
8	Band Stand/Amphitheater
9	Indoor Recreation Center
10	Basketball/volleyball (indoor)
11	Skate Park
12	Soccer Fields
13	Disc Golf Course

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PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

	PROJECT	POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCE
✓	Reconstruct indoor recreation center at Heights Park (In progress)	TPWD Grant (Indoor) General Fund General Obligation Bond
✓	Reconstruct Arapaho Pool (In progress)	General Fund General Obligation Bond
✓	Acquire and develop park land in under served areas of southwest Richardson and the Northrich area (Richardson Heights land acquired, Seeking RISD partnership at Northrich Elementary)	Land Donation TPWD Grant (Indoor) General Fund General Obligation Bond
* ✓	Construct new multi-use trails and soft surfaced trails (Spring Creek Trail extension complete 2012, Cottonwood Trail to Prestonwood Trail complete 2012, Central trail begins construction Fall 2012, Central Trail to PGBT in progress, soft surface trails added to Prairie Creek Park, Ruth Back Toler Park)	TPWD Grant (Trails) TxDOT (Enhancement) General Fund General Obligation Bond
* ✓	Develop Breckinridge, Heights and Prairie Creek Parks in accordance to their master plans (ongoing)	General Fund General Obligation Bond
* ✓	Enhance the existing multi-use trail system with amenities and landscaping (ONCOR partnership for beautification on Owens Trail, Tree the Town ongoing)	TPWD Grant (Trails) TxDOT (Enhancement) General Fund General Obligation Bond

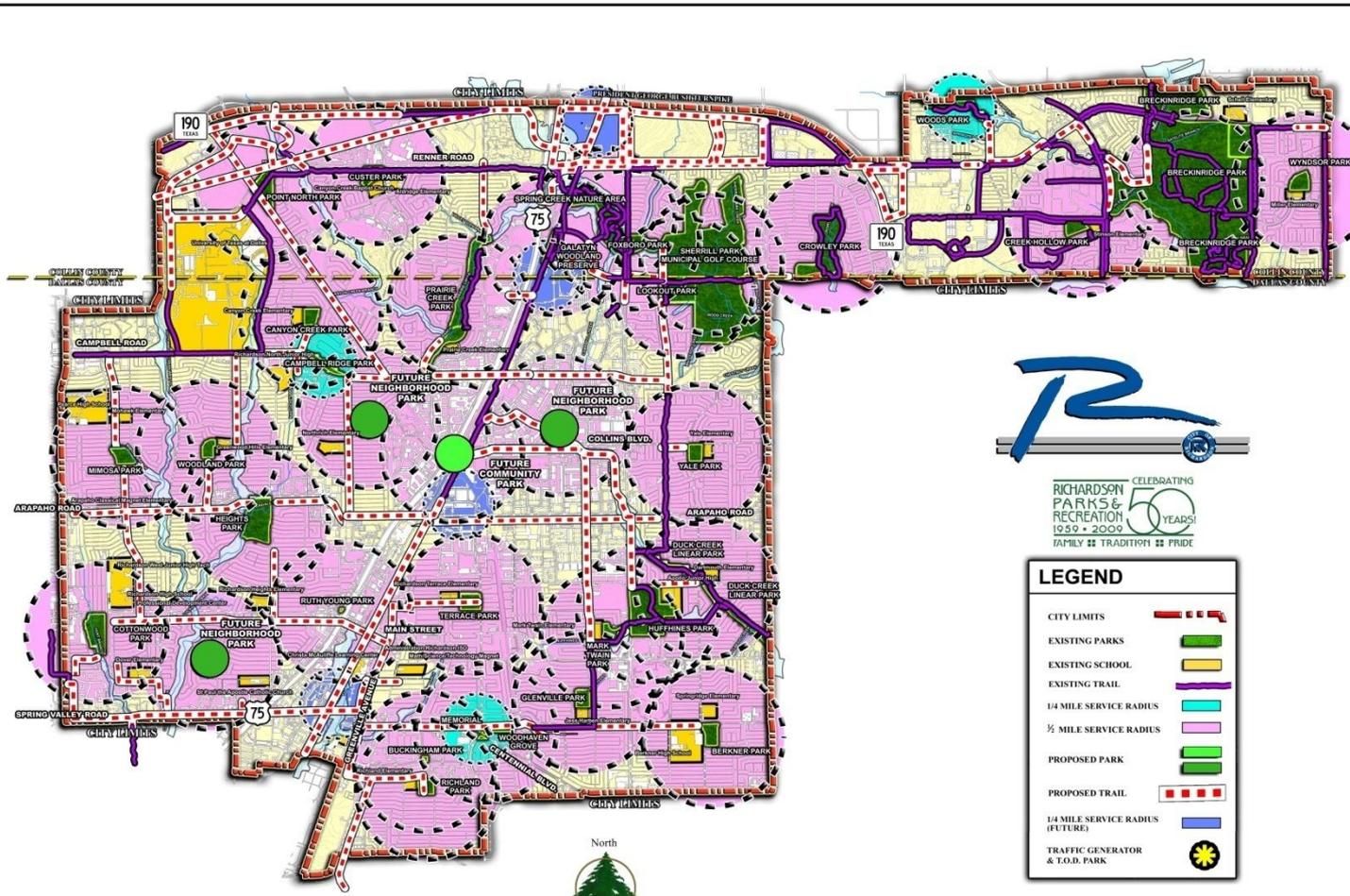
PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

	PROJECT	POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCE
✓*	Capital improvement projects for parks and open space will contain a public art element equivalent to half percent to two percent of the construction budget. Urban beautification and Identification needs to be expanded. (ongoing)	TPWD Grant General Fund General Obligation Bond
*	Construct an indoor aquatic facility	TPWD Grant (Indoor) General Fund General Obligation Bond
*	Acquire and develop a community central park – could include green/open space, nature trails, dog park and/or gardens. The park could also accommodate an aquatics facility, Skate Park, or other park facilities	Land Donation TPWD Grant (Outdoor) General Fund General Obligation Bond
*	Develop a dog park	General Fund General Obligation Bond
*	Master plan and enhance ten existing neighborhood parks	General Fund General Obligation Bond
*	Construct an outdoor aquatics facility and sprayground in the NE quadrant of Richardson	General Fund General Obligation Bond

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

	PROJECT	POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCE
*	Acquire and develop a +/- 25 acre park for lighted field sports – including soccer, cricket, football, lacrosse and indoor athletics including basketball and volleyball	RSA SVAA Private Partners Land Donations TPWD Grant (Indoor & Outdoor) General Fund General Obligation Bond
*	Acquire and develop +/- 5 acre park in the Telecom Corridor Employment Center	Land Donation TPWD Grant (Outdoor) General Fund General Obligation Bond
*	Expand Huffhines Recreation Center for additional Gymnasium space as planned & if feasible develop a separate venue at a site to be determined, a large indoor athletics facility to accommodate 12 to 16 courts for volleyball and basketball	Land Donation TPWD Grant (Outdoor) General Fund General Obligation Bond SVAA
✓	Acquire and develop park land in accordance with Transit Oriented Development objectives (ongoing)	TPWD Grant General Fund General Obligation Bond

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CITY LIMITS	
EXISTING PARKS	
EXISTING SCHOOL	
EXISTING TRAIL	
1/4 MILE SERVICE RADIUS	
1/2 MILE SERVICE RADIUS	
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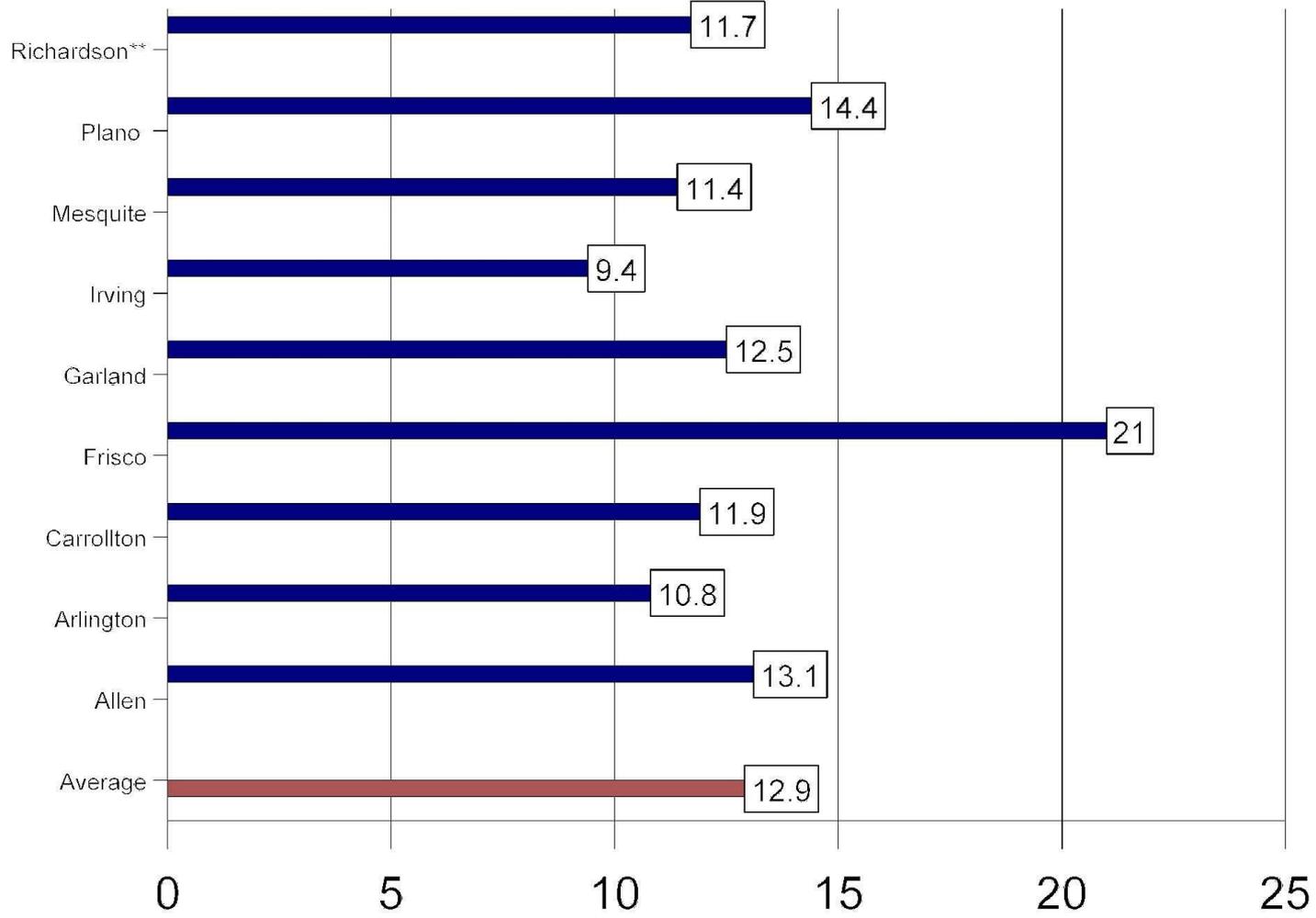
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Total Park Acres Per 1,000 Residents*



* Population based on the NCTCOG 2008

** Population - 99,700

FUTURE LEVEL OF SERVICE

- Currently there are 1,165 acres of parks serving 99,700 people in Richardson which is 11.69 acres per 1,000 people.
- The PRSOMP outlines +/- 75 acres of new parks.
- If all of the recommended projects are implemented by 2020 there will be 1,240 acres of parks serving 108,400 people which is 11.44 acres per 1,000 people.

Park and Recreation Meeting

October 9, 2012

At the regular meeting on October 9, the Park and Recreation Commission reviewed the PROSMP

- It was recognized the PROSMP is comprehensive in nature and bold in scope of ideas and needs for the City.
- It was recognized that the PROSMP is a set of goals that will be challenging at times and hard to reach without funding, partnerships, and opportunities.
- It was recognized that the PROSMP is long range in scope with challenges to repair, renovate, or renew the parks system and in some cases build new facilities.
- It was recognized that long range plans take time.

City Council Near Term Action Items

Item 13 - “Evaluate funding strategies, timing, and implementation planning Parks.”

- **Funding strategies :**
 - PROSMP helped shape the 2010 Capital Projects needs leading to support from the public on the bond program.
 - Dallas County, Collin County, UT Dallas, NCTCOG, TXDOT partnerships have been supported by the PROSMP and have led to gains in funding trail development and trail planning.
 - City of Plano to Richardson and Murphy trail as a regional multi-agency project.

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- **Timing**
 - PROSMP allows flexibility of timing so partnerships can evolve and alternate sources of funding sought: Example University Trail planning.
 - As partnership opportunities have presented themselves, timing can accelerate or decelerate. Example: Central Trail expansion into Bush Turnpike development.
 - Opportunities effect timing of Park projects where there is no land or no funding. Example: New Park on Weatherred.
- **Implementation planning**
 - City of Richardson and City of Murphy Multi Agency Recreation Center potential partnership answered many questions, thus advancing the issue for the Breckinridge Recreation Center.
 - Implementation, funding , and partnerships – all integral parts of the PROSOMP however there is also flexibility allowing for opportunities that arise and priorities to shift.

City Council Near Term Action Items

Item 17- “Evaluate appropriate opportunities for public-private partnerships for future development, city services/amenities and parks.”

- PROSMP identified park and open space needs at **Transit Oriented Development** areas and partnerships have formed at Brick Row and Bush Turnpike Station.
- Seeking opportunities for partnerships through the **Enhancement Redevelopment Studies** (i.e. Spring Valley Corridor, Central and Main Street, Arapaho, etc.)
- Early development of partnership for **Indoor Gymnasium space** with SVAA.
- Ongoing public-private partnerships for services in **Corporate Challenge and Wildflower!**

Conclusion & Next Steps

- The PROSMP is a guide for larger “system wide” decisions based on citizen wants and needs.
- The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan is being used for City planning, partnerships, and grant applications and has been an effective, useful, and successful planning tool.
- The “needs” are many, however, adhering to the PROSMP is important to achieving parks and recreation system goals.
- The PROSMP allows adjustments to changes in needs and allow for opportunities that present themselves.
- PROSMP will need to be evaluated and updated at 5 year anniversary, 2015.

PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN 2010 & BEYOND

Adopted September 13, 2010 Review October 29, 2012



**City Council Work Session Meeting
October 29, 2012**