

POSP Planning -Parks Division Accomplishments

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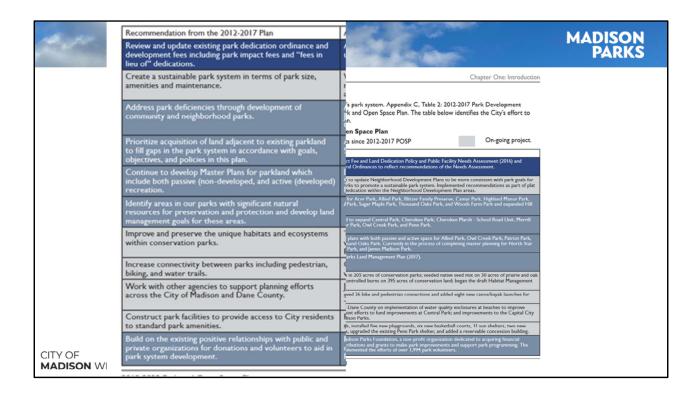
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	Table 1.1: Accomplishments from the 2012-		
	Completed.	Advancements since 2012-2017 POSP On-going project.	
	Recommendation from the 2012-2017 Plan	Action	
	Review and update existing park dedication ordinance and development fees including park impact fees and "fees in lieu of" dedications.	Adopted the Park Impact Fee and Land Dedication Policy and Public Facility Needs Assessment (2016) and updated Madison General Ordinances to reflect recommendations of the Needs Assessment.	
	Create a sustainable park system in terms of park size, amenities and maintenance.	Worked with staff team to update Neighborhood Development Plans to be more consistent with park goals for minimum 5-acre size parks to promote a sustainable park system. Implemented recommendations as part of plat approval and parkland dedication within the Neighborhood Development Plan areas.	
	Address park deficiencies through development of community and neighborhood parks.	Acquired new parkland for Acer Park, Allied Park, Blitzer Family Preserve, Camar Park, Highland Manor Park, Jeffy Trail Park, Kestrel Park, Sugar Maple Park, Thousand Oaks Park, and Woods Farm Park and expanded Hill Creek Park.	
	Prioritize acquisition of fand adjacent to existing parkland to fill gaps in the park system in accordance with goals, objectives, and policies in this plan.	Acquired additional land to expand Central Park, Cherokee Park, Cherokee Marsh - School Road Unit, Merrill Springs Park, North Star Park, Owl Creek Park, and Penn Park.	
	Continue to develop Master Plans for parkland which include both passive (non-developed, and active (developed) recreation.	Developed park master plans with both passive and active space for Allied Purk, Owl Creek Park, Patriot Park, Sugar Maple Park, Thousand Oaks Park, Currently in the process of completing master planning for North Star Park, Expansion, Camar Park, and James Madson Park.	
	Identify areas in our parks with significant natural resources for preservation and protection and develop land management goals for these areas.	Adopted the Madison Parks Land Management Plan (2017).	
	Improve and preserve the unique habitats and ecosystems within conservation parks.	Treated invasive species in 205 acres of conservation parks; seeded native seed mix on 30 acres of prairie and oak woodland; performed controlled burns on 395 acres of conservation land; began the draft Habitat Management Plan.	
	Increase connectivity between parks including pedestrian, biking, and water trails.	Coordinated and improved 26 bike and pedestrian connections and added eight new canoe/kayak launches for water access.	
	Work with other agencies to support planning efforts across the City of Madison and Dane County.	Joint collaboration with Dane County on implementation of water quality enclosures at beaches to improve swimming conditions; joint efforts to fund improvements at Central Park; and improvements to the Capital City Trail System within Padison Parks.	
	Construct park facilities to provide access to City residents to standard park amenities.	Replaced 50 playgrounds, installed five new playgrounds, six new basketball courts, 11 sun shelters, two new shelters with restrooms, upgraded the existing Penn Park shelter, and added a reservable concession building.	
	Build on the existing positive relationships with public and private organizations for donations and volunteers to aid in park system development.	Establishment of the Midson Parks Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to acquiring financial resources through contributions and grants to make park improvements and support park programming. The Parks Division also supplemented the efforts of over 1,794 park volunteers.	
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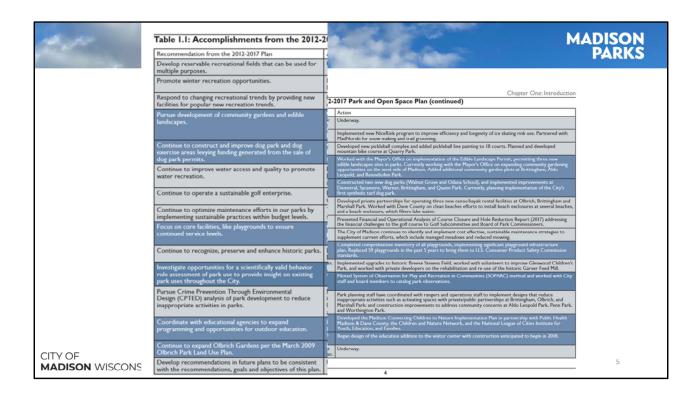
This table is taken from the 2018 POSP, it has the recommendations from the 2012 POSP in the left column, and actions taken from 2012 to 2017 in the right hand column. As you can see the gray indicates on-going, light blue indicates advancement since the 2012-2017 POSP and dark blue means the task is completed. Only one of these is truly a "task" and that task was completed in 2016.

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	Chapter One: Introduction Table I.I: Accomplishments from the 2012-2017 Park and Open Space Plan (continued)			
	Recommendation from the 2012-2017 Plan	Action	1	
	Develop reservable recreational fields that can be used for multiple purposes.	Underway.		
	Promote winter recreation opportunities.	Implemented new NiceRink program to improve efficiency and longevity of ice skating rink use. Partnered with MadNorski for snow making and trail grooming.		
	Respond to changing recreational trends by providing new facilities for popular new recreation trends.	Developed new pickleball complex and added pickleball line painting to 18 courts. Planned and developed mountain bike course at Quarry Park.		
	Pursue development of community gardens and edible landscapes.	Worked with the Mayor's Office on implementation of the Edible Landscape Permis, permitting three new edible landscapes sites in parts. Currently working with the Mayor's Office on expanding community gardening opportunities on the west side of Multion. Added additional community garden plots at Brittingham, Addo Leopold, and Remolechim Park.		
	Continue to construct and improve dog park and dog exercise areas levying funding generated from the sale of dog park permits.	Constructed two new dog parks (Walnut Growe and Odana School), and implemented improvements at Demetral, Sycamore, Warner, Brittingham, and Quann Park. Currently, planning implementation of the City's first synthetic turf dog park.		
	Continue to improve water access and quality to promote water recreation.	Developed private partnerships for operating three new canoe/kayak rental facilities at Olbrich, Brittingham and Marshall Park. Worked with Dane County on clean beaches efforts to install beach exclosures which filters lake water.		
	Continue to operate a sustainable golf enterprise.	Presented Financial and Operational Analysis of Course Closure and Hole Reduction Report (2017) addressing the financial challenges to the golf course to Golf Subcommittee and Board of Park Commissioners.		
	Continue to optimize maintenance efforts in our parks by implementing sustainable practices within budget levels.	The City of Madison continues to identify and implement cost effective, sustainable maintenance strategies to supplement current efforts, which include managed meadows and reduced mowing.		
	Focus on core facilities, like playgrounds to ensure continued service levels.	Completed comprehensive inventory of all playgrounds, implementing significant playground infrastructure plan. Replaced 59 playgrounds in the past 5 years to bring them to U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission standards.		
	Continue to recognize, preserve and enhance historic parks.	Implemented upgrades to historic Breese Stevens Field, worked with volunteers to improve Glenwood Children's Park, and worked with private developers on the rehabilitation and re-use of the historic Garver Feed Mill.		
	Investigate opportunities for a scientifically valid behavior role assessment of park use to provide insight on existing park uses throughout the City.	Piloted System of Observation for Play and Recreation in Communities (SOPARC) method and worked with City staff and board members to catalog park observations.		
	Pursue Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) analysis of park development to reduce inappropriate activities in parks.	Park planning staff have coordinated with rangers and operations staff to implement designs that reduce inappropriate activities such as activating spaces with private/public partnerships at Brittingham, Olbrich, and Marshall Park; and construction improvements to address community concerns at Aldo Leopold Park. Penn Park, and Worthington Park.		
	Coordinate with educational agencies to expand programming and opportunities for outdoor education.	Developed the Madison Connecting Children to Nature Implementation Plan in partnership with Public Health Madison & Dane County, the Children and Nature Network, and the National League of Cities Institute for Youth, Education, and Families.		
	Continue to expand Olbrich Gardens per the March 2009 Olbrich Park Land Use Plan.	Began design of the education addition to the visitor center with construction anticipated to begin in 2018.		
CITY OF	Develop recommendations in future plans to be consistent with the recommendations, goals and objectives of this plan.	Underway.		
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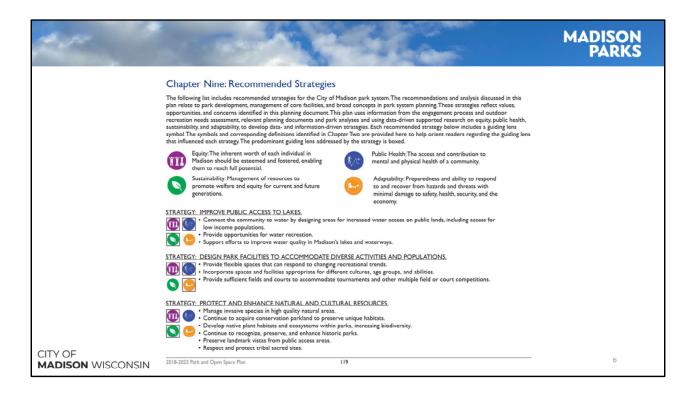
This was a two page table in the 2018 POSP, this is the second page. Again, light blues and grays for all recommendations from 2012.



On this slide I made the left hand column a bit bigger and easier to read. Reviewing the list of recommendations from 2012 on this page, I can say that these are still applicable to the work of the Parks Division and Parks continues to work on these recommendations today.



Again, just a bigger view of the left hand column.

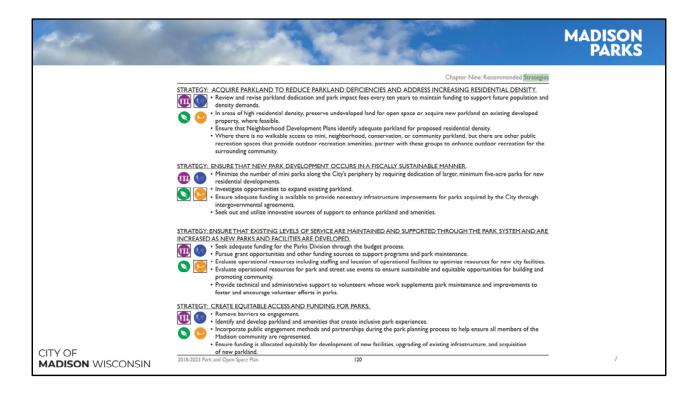


The next three slides are the recommended strategies from the 2018 POSP (the most recent POSP). If one compares these to the recommendations from 2012, it is clear that they are closely related.

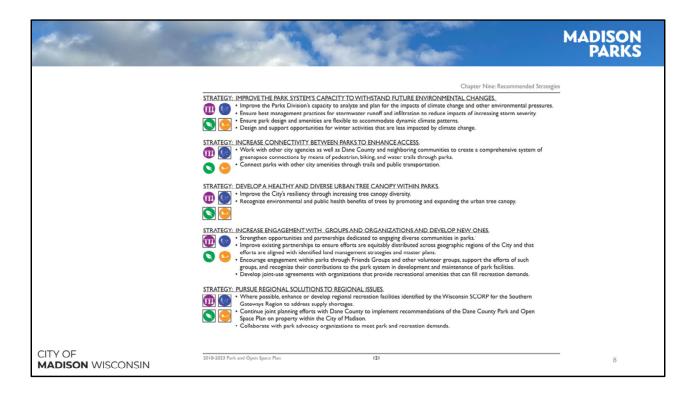
Questions to help prod discussion at the LRP meeting:

- 1. Are the strategies clearly written and easy to understand?
- 2. Are there any that you feel no longer apply or should be removed for some reason?
- 3. Is there any topic that you wish had been included in the strategies in 2018 or something that surprises you that it is not listed here? It could be something that has come up in the past five years, or something that was just missed.

As mentioned in the memo, I am asking you all to keep these in mind as we update the POSP. Park staff feel this is a good list, and we plan to maintain it with the next plan, but we may find we need to edit this list as the plan develops.



Second page of 12 strategies from 2018 POSP.



Third page of 2018 strategies.