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December 17, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the City of Washington, I would like to offer my endorsement of our grant request through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) to construct about a new 1.3-mile off-street shared use trail on Cruger Road and N. Main Street. This eight-foot wide trail project would connect with an existing trail on N. Main at Washington Middle School and another to be constructed on Cruger later in 2016.

This has been identified as a priority project within Peoria, Tazewell, and Woodford Counties by the Tri-County Regional Greenways & Trails taskforce. One of the City's top priorities is to provide pedestrian accommodations between all schools, neighborhoods, parks, and shopping destinations.

I ask you to consider this project for TAP funding assistance. We genuinely feel that this project will provide both an alternative transportation link and a great recreation component. It will also enhance the quality of life for our residents and visitors.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary W. Manier".

Gary W. Manier, Mayor
City of Washington



December 18, 2015

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I would like to offer my endorsement of the City of Washington's grant request through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) to construct a new 1.3-mile off-street shared use trail on Cruger Road and N. Main Street. This eight-foot wide trail project would connect with an existing trail on N. Main at Washington Middle School and another to be constructed on Cruger later in 2016.

As a local business owner, I understand the need for projects such as this to continue enhancing the quality of life for our residents and visitors. This provides a valuable recreation amenity and also establishes new transportation linkages. This trail will connect many businesses, homes, schools, and parks in Washington and will further strengthen a regional recreation trail network.

I ask you to consider this project for TAP funding assistance.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Russell". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Joe Russell
Russell's Cycling & Fitness



December 17, 2015

Jon Oliphant, AICP
Planning and Development Director
City of Washington
301 Walnut St.
Washington, IL 61571

Subject: Transportation Alternatives Program Grant

Dear Mr. Oliphant:

The Washington Park District supports Recreation Trail extensions proposed along Cruger Rd from North Main St. to Nofsinger Rd. as well as McCluggage to Centennial to Summit.

The Cruger Rd. extension would connect to the existing Washington Recreation Trail at N. Main St. along Cruger Rd. extending west. This segment is currently identified as a priority segment in the Washington Park District Comprehensive Master Plan for the Washington Recreation Trail in order to eventually create a connection from N. Main St. to the existing trail segment along Cummings Ln.

The extension along Centennial is identified in the Master Plan as a priority for future connectivity to East Peoria and their trail system to create a regional trail connection. The segments along McCluggage and Summit connecting to Centennial will allow Washington residents better connectivity from Washington to East Peoria as well as residents that live in the Sunnyland neighborhood and along Centennial better, safer access to Washington via the Washington Recreation Trail system.

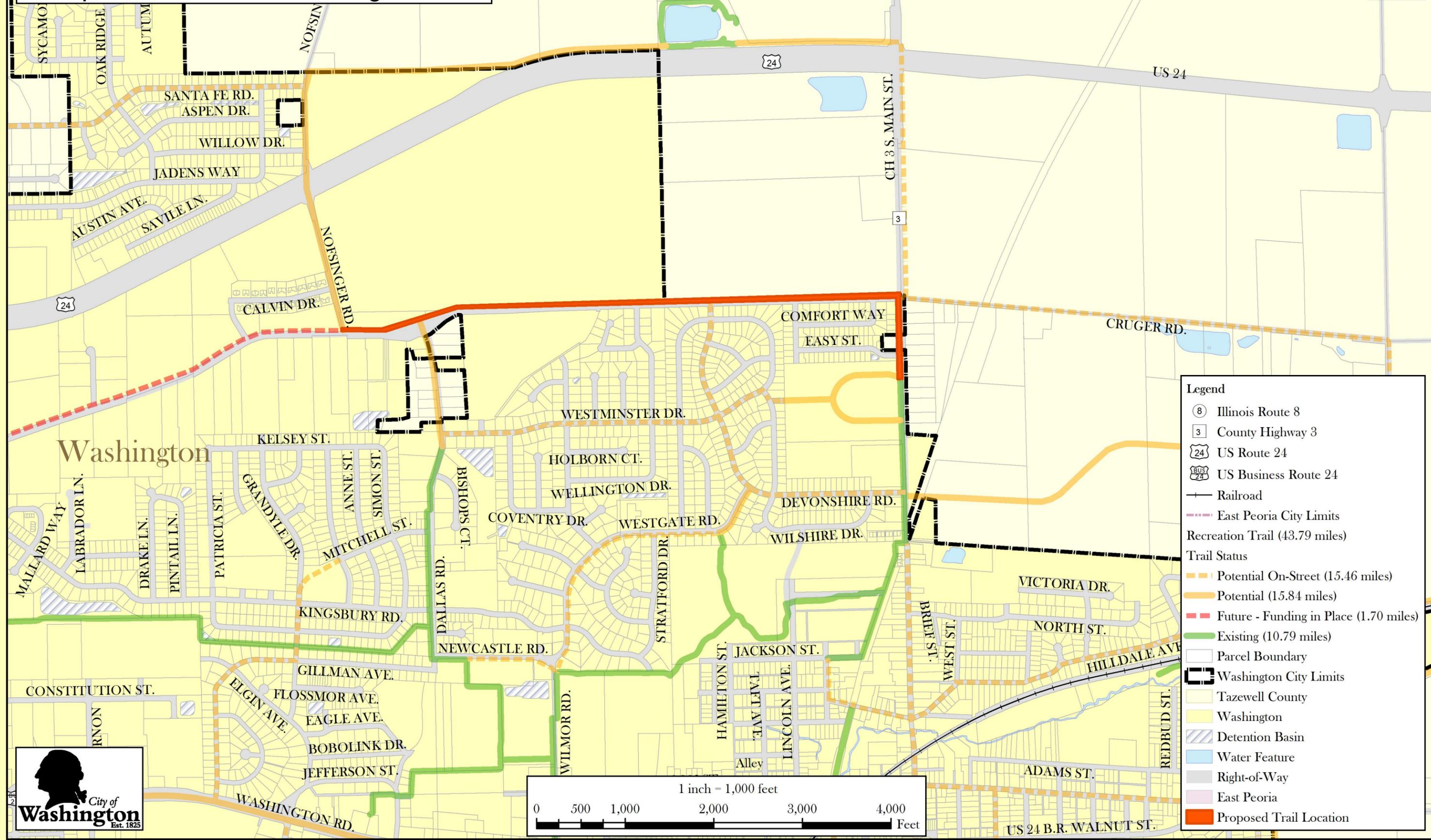
The Washington Park District offers its full support of this endeavor.

Sincerely,

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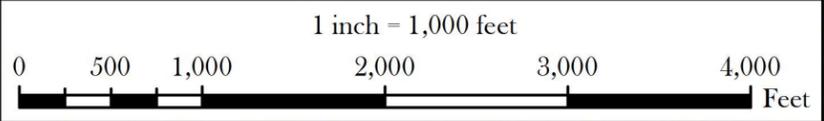
Doug Damery
Executive Director

City of Washington Transportation Alternatives Program 2015

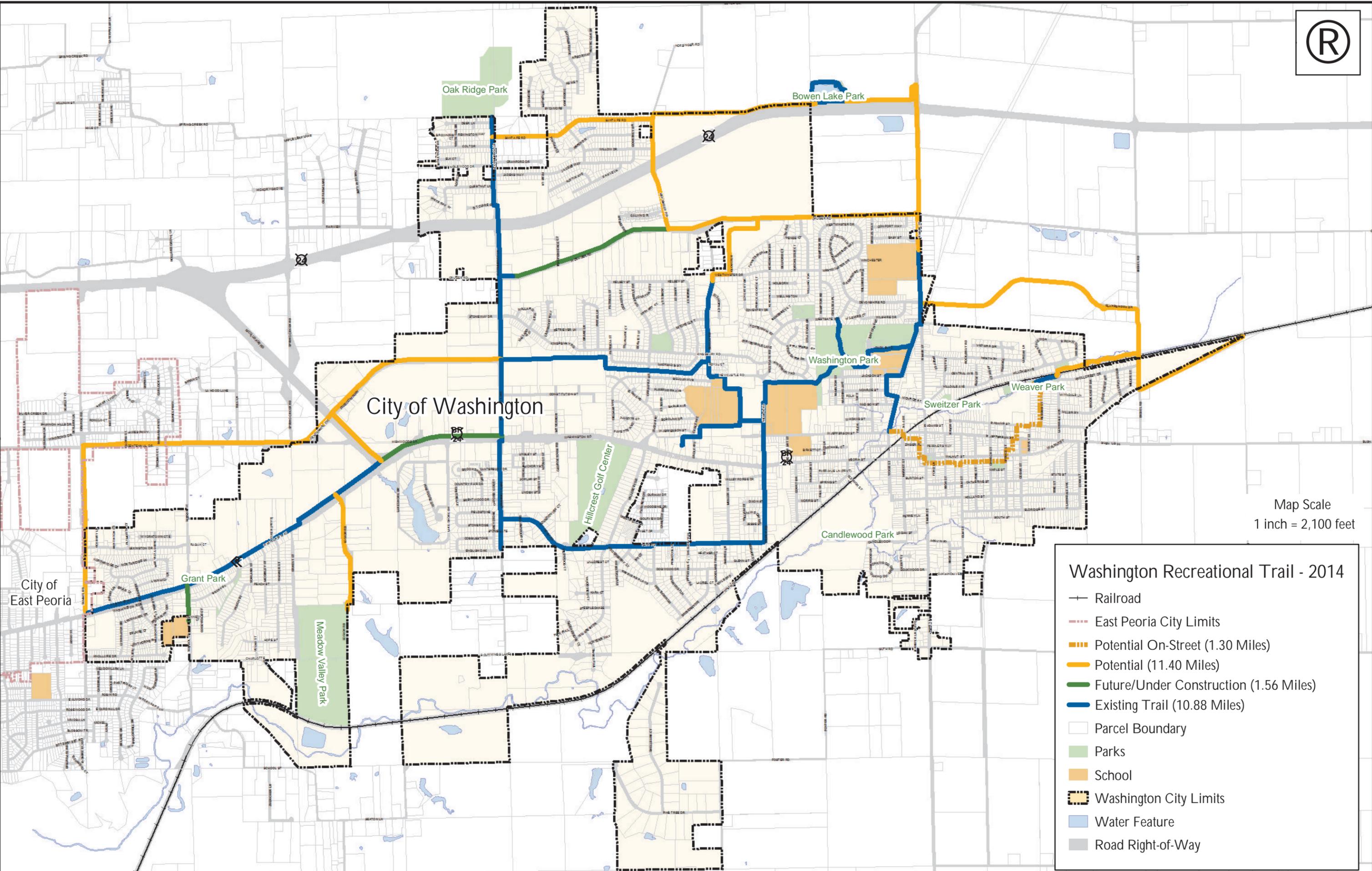


Legend

- ⑧ Illinois Route 8
- 3 County Highway 3
- 24 US Route 24
- BUS 24 US Business Route 24
- Railroad
- East Peoria City Limits
- Recreation Trail (43.79 miles)
- Trail Status
- - - Potential On-Street (15.46 miles)
- Potential (15.84 miles)
- - - Future - Funding in Place (1.70 miles)
- Existing (10.79 miles)
- Parcel Boundary
- ▭ Washington City Limits
- Tazewell County
- Washington
- ▨ Detention Basin
- Water Feature
- Right-of-Way
- East Peoria
- ▭ Proposed Trail Location



Revised: 12/15/2014 James D. Beckwith, AIA, City Geographic Information System (GIS) as maintained and operated by the City of Washington Department of Planning, Engineering and Public Works.



City of Washington

City of East Peoria

Map Scale
1 inch = 2,100 feet

Washington Recreational Trail - 2014

- Railroad
- - - East Peoria City Limits
- ▤ Potential On-Street (1.30 Miles)
- ▨ Potential (11.40 Miles)
- ▩ Future/Under Construction (1.56 Miles)
- Existing Trail (10.88 Miles)
- Parcel Boundary
- Parks
- School
- ▤ Washington City Limits
- Water Feature
- Road Right-of-Way

Master Plan noted that almost all of Washington's neighborhood parks are under the suggested size, and many are not ideally located to serve its population service area. Further, there are residential areas that are not within service areas of existing parks (see Figure 3-3 , Washington Park District Masterplan) and include:

- Washington Estates
- Parkview Subdivision
- Hillcrest Drive Area
- Felker's Addition
- Brentwood Estates
- Westlake Subdivision
- The combined area of part of Beverly Manor, Rolling Meadows North and Rolling Meadows South

There are several ways in which the City can assist the Park District in achieving its goals for parks and recreation for Washington.

Recommendations:

- Where feasible, design stormwater detention basins to permit use as an "undeveloped" passive recreation park with defined safety standards. This or other creative use of detention areas as amenities should be encouraged.
- Consider modifying the City's subdivision ordinance to require or provide incentives to developers of residential subdivisions to provide park space and dedicate lands to the Park District.
- Consider modifying the zoning ordinance to permit smaller lots or cluster development to allow for more open space or parkland, which would be dedicated to the Park District or owned by a homeowners association.
- Continue cooperation between the City and the Park District in improving the quality of parks and opens space in the community.

Trails

The Park District's Master Plan identifies a trail system that links parks and schools. The Park District also has a more specific community trail system plan (see Figure 3-4, Community Trail System). The trail system plan proposes off-road trails, on-road trails with designated lanes or widened shoulders, and on-road trails that share the roadway with autos. Several segments of the trail have been implemented. The plan for trails should be flexible enough to permit locations and connections to be revised due to the addition of traffic signals or other system changes.

Recommendations

- Work closely with the Park District in establishing, planning, building, and maintaining a trail system.
- When development is proposed in areas where a future trail is designated, require that an easement for the trail be provided to the City or Park District.

- Consider providing developer incentives in the subdivision codes in locations where the proposed trail is located.
- Seek funding for trail development.

Agricultural

There are numerous areas within the City limits currently in agricultural use. These land uses are generally between McClugage Road and Cummings Lane, north of Business 24. Another area is between North Cummings Lane and Nofsinger Road, north of Constitution Street extending north of U.S. 24 Bypass. Finally, agricultural land use exists at the end of South Cummings Lane, near the railroad tracks. For the most part, these areas are surrounded by development. Therefore, it is expected that agricultural use is an interim use and that these areas would be converted to other land uses in the future.

Within the 1.5-mile planning area of the north, east, and south of Washington's corporate limits, agricultural activities are the predominant land use. Washington should encourage continued agricultural use of these lands for several reasons. First, it would be very difficult and expensive to provide City utilities in this area. Second, as most development pressure is occurring between Peoria and Washington, supporting and encouraging development east of Washington would lead to inefficient land use and leapfrog development, or sprawl. Third, some of the best farmland in the area is found in the areas east of Nofsinger and north of Cruger; east of Diebel; and east of Foster and south of Guth.

Recommendations:

- Allow agricultural use within the 1.5-mile planning area northeast, east, and southeast of Washington. The only likely amendment to this recommendation would be due to the decision by IDOT to designate a highway through these areas.
- Permit only agricultural or agricultural related land uses within areas designated as agricultural on the land use plan.
- Advise developers that existing and future residential lots in areas designated as agricultural on the land use map should not soon expect to be served by public sewer or water.
- Work to rezone agriculturally zoned areas within the City limits to uses designated on the Comprehensive Map.

Land Use Plan

The land use plan map that is a part of this plan contains the official land use recommendations for future development and land use in the City of Washington and the City's 1.5-mile planning jurisdiction (see Figure 3-5, Land Use Plan).

Action Plan - New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

Priority	Actions	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1	Acquire Oak Ridge Park or secure long term lease for land.	●	→			
2	Develop and define trail standards for marking, signs, wayfinding, and trail heads	→				
3	Evaluate trail crossings and improve safety where needed	→				
4	Implement wayfinding identity for existing segments	→				
5	Implement crossing improvements for existing segments	→				
6	Segment 1: Cummings Lane between Cruger Road and St. Claire Court (4,012 LF)	→				
7	Segment 2: Washington Road between Cummings and Ernest Street (5,884 LF)	→				
8	Segment 3: Cruger Road between Dallas Road and Cummings Lane (6,125 LF)	→				
9	Segment 4: Dallas Road between Westminster Drive and Cruger Road (1,458 LF)	→				
10	Segment 5: Cruger Road between Main Street and Dallas Road (5,668 LF)	→				
11	Segment 6: Main Street from Cruger Road to Bowen Park (988 LF)	→				
12a	Segment 7a: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via South Cummings Lane (4,012 LF)					
12b	Segment 7b: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Hillcrest Drive and Timber Trail (3,430 LF)					
12c	Segment 7c: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Farm Creek Plain (6,682 LF)					
12d	Segment 7d: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Ernest Street (3,528 LF)					
13	Segment 8: Westgate Road between Rec. Trail and Westgate Park (892 LF)					
14	Segment 9: Freedom Parkway, pending development needs					
15	Develop new hiking trails within the Park District's natural areas.					
16	Acquire +/- 20 AC neighborhood park in deficient planning areas					
17	Explore land-trade or sale of Future Park in conjunction with acquisition					
18	Acquire 5-10 acre neighborhood parks aligned with Southeast development					

2017 - 2021	Potential Partners
1	IDNR, LA, AT
2	LA
3	LA, CE, COW
4	LA, GD
5	COW, IDNR, ITP, CE, LA
6	LA, CE, COW
7	LA, CE, COW
8	LA, CE, COW, IDOT
9	LA, CE, COW
10	LA, CE, COW
11	LA, CE, COW
12a	LA, CE, COW, IDOT
12b	LA, CE, COW
12c	LA, CE, COW, IDNR
12d	LA, CE, COW
13	LA, CE, COW
14	LA, CE, COW
15	IDNR, LA
16	IDNR, LA
17	AT, LA
18	AT, LA

Funding Vehicle Legend

→	Capital Improvements
→	Grant Funding
→	Local Partner
→	Private Donations
→	Maintain Item

Partners Key

LA	Landscape Architecture
CE	Civil Engineering
AR	Architecture
IDNR	Illinois Department of Natural Resources
GD	Graphic Designer
AT	Attorney
COW	City of Washington



Washington Park District - Comp Plan



Meeting Sign-in Sheet

Date: November 21, 2011, 5:30 PM
 Location: Washington Park District
 From: Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)
 RE: Washington Park District Comprehensive Plan
 Project: 04-0873-002-01-03

Name Company / Association Address / Phone / Email

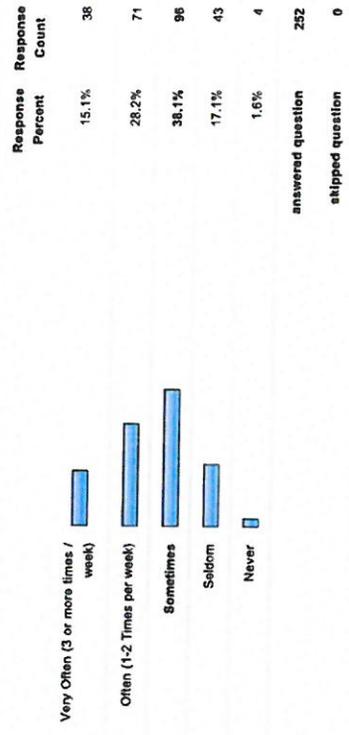
- Herb Knoblauch, Washington Park District, Board of Commissioners
- Julie Davison, Washington Park District, Board of Commissioners
- Doug Weston, Washington Park District, Board of Commissioners
- Brad Kanaga, Washington Park District
- Kristy Howell, Washington Park District
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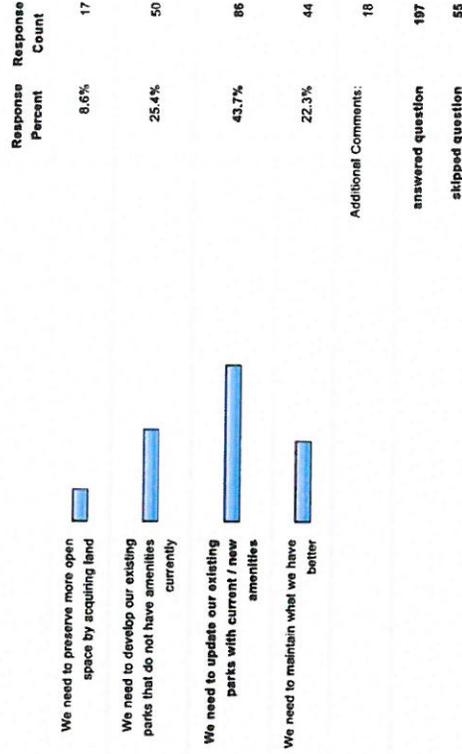
1. On average, how often do you visit a Washington Park District Facility?



2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?

Facility	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	Satisfied (some updates needed)	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	Did Not Visit	Response Count
Recreation Center / Park (Spruce St.)	10.2% (16)	52.0% (92)	13.0% (23)	24.8% (44)	177
Washington Park (Lincoln St.)	37.7% (72)	43.5% (83)	3.1% (6)	15.7% (30)	191
Oak Ridge Park	20.3% (38)	28.8% (51)	13.0% (23)	37.9% (67)	177
Meadow Valley Park	7.2% (11)	17.0% (26)	5.2% (8)	70.6% (108)	153
Bowen Lake Park	10.6% (17)	14.9% (24)	3.1% (5)	71.4% (115)	161
Birchwood Park	2.7% (4)	9.5% (14)	1.4% (2)	86.5% (128)	148
Candlewood Park	4.0% (6)	9.3% (14)	3.3% (5)	83.3% (125)	150
Grant Park	3.4% (5)	3.4% (5)	0.7% (1)	92.6% (137)	148
Herry LaHood Park	28.7% (48)	22.8% (38)	3.6% (6)	44.9% (75)	167
Swelizer Park	4.0% (6)	7.9% (12)	0.7% (1)	87.4% (132)	151
Weaver Park	2.7% (4)	3.4% (5)	0.0% (0)	93.9% (139)	148
Westgate Park / Pool	35.3% (61)	26.0% (45)	1.7% (3)	37.0% (64)	173
Recreation Trail	30.9% (50)	31.5% (51)	1.9% (3)	35.6% (58)	162
Other / Comments:					30
answered question					206
skipped question					46

3. Which of the following most closely describes your opinion about park development (presume that no new sources of revenue are sought)?



Additional Comments:
answered question 197
skipped question 55

4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:

	1	2	3	4	5	Response Count
Multi-purpose Trails	39.1% (77)	20.8% (41)	25.4% (50)	5.6% (11)	9.1% (18)	197
Hiking Trails	28.4% (55)	19.8% (38)	27.3% (53)	11.3% (22)	13.4% (26)	194
Trail signs / Mile Markers	19.2% (37)	23.8% (46)	16.1% (31)	17.1% (33)	17.1% (33)	193
Skate Park	12.6% (24)	7.3% (14)	14.1% (27)	14.1% (27)	51.8% (99)	191
Dog Park	15.8% (31)	12.2% (24)	17.3% (34)	11.7% (23)	42.8% (84)	196
Outdoor Basketball Courts	13.1% (25)	18.3% (35)	22.5% (43)	20.4% (39)	25.7% (49)	191
Indoor Basketball Courts	16.9% (32)	18.5% (35)	20.1% (39)	16.4% (31)	28.8% (53)	189
Improved Softball / Baseball Fields	25.0% (48)	14.1% (27)	19.3% (37)	13.5% (26)	28.1% (54)	192
Baiting Cages	26.4% (51)	15.0% (28)	14.5% (28)	15.0% (29)	29.8% (56)	193
Improved Parking	20.4% (39)	22.0% (42)	25.1% (48)	13.6% (26)	18.8% (36)	191
Recreation Facility Improvements / Renovations	25.9% (49)	30.2% (57)	21.2% (40)	9.5% (18)	13.2% (25)	189
Pool Improvements / Updates	15.5% (30)	25.3% (48)	25.3% (48)	18.6% (36)	15.5% (30)	194
Natural Area Enhancements	15.7% (30)	23.6% (45)	26.7% (51)	14.7% (28)	19.4% (37)	191
Fishing Amenities / Enhancements	10.0% (19)	21.6% (41)	22.6% (43)	13.7% (26)	32.1% (61)	190
Picnic Shelters & Amenities	15.7% (30)	24.6% (47)	35.6% (68)	13.6% (26)	10.5% (20)	191
Teen Activities (Paintball / Challenge Course)	21.9% (43)	21.9% (43)	18.9% (37)	12.8% (25)	24.5% (46)	186
Landscape Improvements / Enhancements	9.3% (18)	14.0% (27)	30.1% (58)	24.9% (48)	21.8% (42)	193
Indoor Artificial Turf Field	24.5% (47)	6.9% (17)	10.4% (20)	13.5% (26)	42.7% (82)	192
Outdoor Artificial Turf Field	12.7% (24)	7.4% (14)	13.2% (25)	17.5% (33)	48.2% (93)	189
Outdoor Amphitheater	15.9% (30)	13.8% (26)	23.3% (44)	19.0% (36)	28.0% (53)	189
Outdoor In Line / Ice Skating Rink	22.4% (43)	17.2% (33)	21.9% (42)	10.9% (21)	27.6% (53)	192

Other / Comments: 25

answered question 203
skipped question 49

5. In what recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?

	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	Satisfied (some updates needed)	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	Did Not Participate	Response Count
Facilities Rental (Birthday / Shelter)	10.1% (16)	26.8% (48)	0.6% (1)	62.6% (112)	179
Special Events (Races / Festivals / Trips)	18.3% (33)	30.6% (55)	1.1% (2)	50.0% (90)	180
Adult Fitness & Dance	2.9% (5)	7.5% (13)	1.7% (3)	87.9% (153)	174
Adult Arts & Crafts	3.5% (6)	4.0% (7)	0.6% (1)	91.9% (159)	173
Adult Athletics	4.6% (8)	9.8% (17)	0.0% (0)	85.6% (148)	173
Youth Dance & Tumbling	3.4% (6)	13.0% (23)	12.4% (22)	71.2% (126)	177
Youth Arts & Crafts	4.5% (8)	7.4% (13)	2.3% (4)	85.8% (151)	176
Youth Athletics	15.5% (29)	43.9% (82)	9.1% (17)	31.6% (59)	187

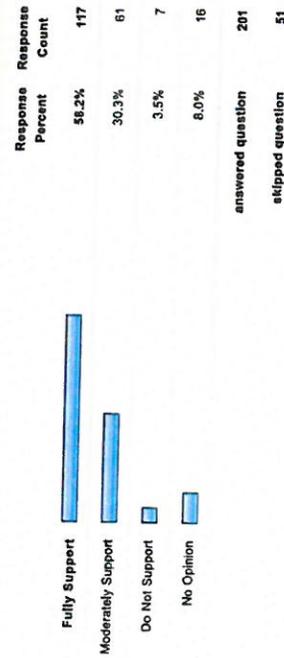
Other / Comments: 26

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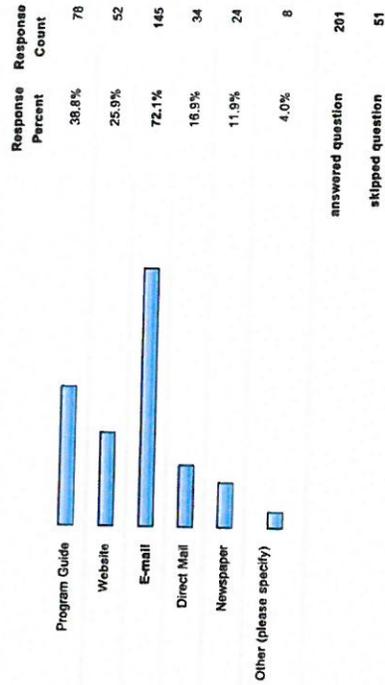
6. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most interested, please tell us how interested you and your family would be in the following potential programs:

	1	2	3	4	5	Response Count
Theater Group / Music Performance	23.0% (44)	17.8% (34)	22.0% (42)	12.0% (23)	25.1% (48)	191
Laser Tag	18.3% (35)	19.9% (38)	18.8% (36)	9.4% (18)	33.5% (64)	191
Nature studies	15.4% (29)	12.2% (23)	28.2% (53)	14.9% (28)	28.3% (55)	188
Job Skills Training	5.9% (11)	8.0% (15)	16.5% (31)	18.6% (35)	51.1% (96)	188
Festivals / Events	25.7% (49)	24.6% (47)	24.8% (47)	9.4% (18)	15.7% (30)	191
Wedding / Party Rental Spaces	3.7% (7)	9.6% (18)	18.7% (35)	13.4% (25)	54.5% (102)	187
Other / Comments:						6
				answered question		196
				skipped question		56

7. Would you support the development of interconnected multi-purpose recreation trails throughout the district?



8. What is the best way for the Washington Park District to communicate with you?



City of Washington
Public Work Committee
Monday, December 14, 2015 – **Minutes**

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
301 WALNUT STREET

Present: Aldermen Mike Brownfield, Jim Gee, and Carol Moss

Also Present: Ed Andrews, Public Works Director; Bob Brucks, Alderman; Jon Oliphant, Planning & Development Director; Kevin Schone, Public Works Manager.

Alderman Mike Brownfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. Alderman Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: None.
2. Citizens Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: Steve Hullcraz thanked the City for completing the restriping of Freedom Parkway recently.
3. Approval of Minutes – The committee unanimously voted to approve the October 19, 2015 meeting minutes.
4. Business Items:
 - A. Square Streetscape – Staff has met with Hutchison Engineering to possibly help draft a streetscape plan with phased construction cost estimates for the Square. Preliminary discussions have been held with IDOT to determine the feasibility of these improvements as well as a possible jurisdictional transfer of Business Route 24. The Committee recommended that staff proceed with this process. A contract with Hutchison would likely be brought to the City Council in the near future.
 - B. Draft Beekeeping Ordinance– Staff presented a draft ordinance to the committee that would allow for beekeeping in residential zoning districts following the approval of a special use permit. The committee recommended that this be brought to the City Council for approval. A first reading ordinance will be scheduled for the January 4 meeting.
 - C. Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Applications –The Tri-County Regional Planning Commission placed a Call for Projects last month for any TAP projects. Two priority projects are proposed for submittal: 1) Recreation trails on Summit Drive, Centennial Drive, and McClugage Road, which would connect with existing trails on Route 8. This would be a joint project with the City of East Peoria; and 2) Phase 2 of the Cruger Road recreation trail from Nofsinger to N. Main Street, connecting with the existing path north of Washington Middle School. The applications are due January 4 and the committee recommended that staff proceed with the submittals.
 - D. Eastside Floodplain LOMR Update – Christopher B. Burke Engineering (CBBEL) is close to wrapping up their surveying and analysis of the area east of N. Main Street before submitting the info to IDNR and FEMA. The early analysis has shown that there would be some benefit to owners on either side of Farm Creek, though it would