

*A Park & Recreation Master Plan Update*

*Mooreville  
Parks and  
Recreation  
Master Plan  
Update –  
1992 to 1996*

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*Designer – Paul Hadley of Mooresville, Indiana*

*Adopted in 1917 by Legislature*

*The **TORCH** stands for Liberty and  
Enlightenment*

*The **18 STARS** around the Torch represents the  
Number of States when Indiana was admitted*

*The **13 OUTER STARS** represents the 13  
Original States*

*The **5 INNER STARS** represents the 5 States  
ahead of Indiana*

*The **LARGE STAR** above the Torch is Indiana*

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Five Year Master Plan – 1992-1996

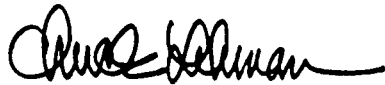
Dear Mr. Hornaday:

Attached you will find the final copy of your Five Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The considerable time and energy expended into this study by your Board and Park Staff has resulted in a final document that will provide the Mooresville Park and Recreation District and your Board with the guidelines determined for implementation over the next five years and the strategic planning for over the next twenty years. The opportunities are great within your community for enhancing park and recreation amenities.

Working with you, the Park Board, and particularly with your Park Superintendent, Brent Callahan and his staff, has been an affirmative and gratifying experience for Lehman & Lehman, Inc. Your Park Staff members are very professional in their areas of specialties and were very cooperative and helpful throughout the study's process.

We do wish you the best in reaching the goals and objectives of this plan's implementation. The team of Lehman & Lehman, Inc. remains committed and interested in being of continual service to you in your park and recreation planning and design needs.

Respectfully submitted,



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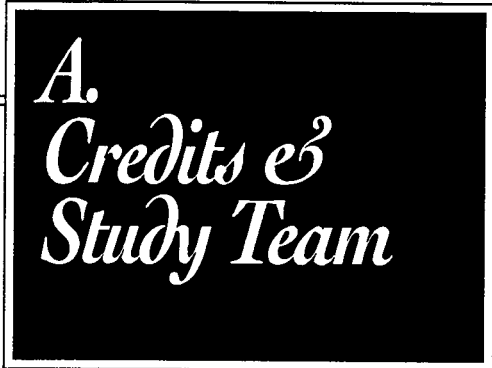
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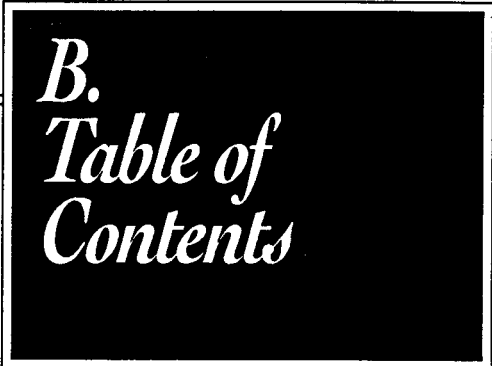
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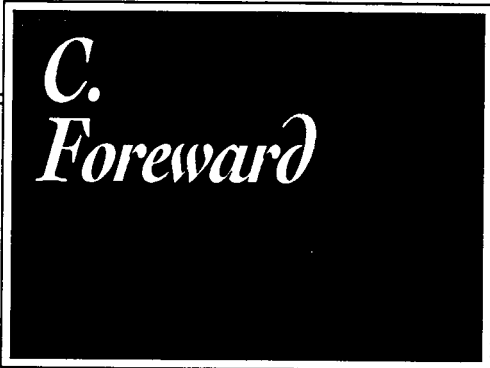
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C. FOREWARD

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**T**he Comprehensive Plan for the Civil Town of Mooresville, Indiana states as one of its goals, "That the Town of Mooresville shall promote an atmosphere with a high standard of community pride and small town charm." The Mooresville Park and Recreation Master Plan Update – 1992 to 1996 should be compatible and serve as a vital link with the town's overall planning effort.

Mooresville is unique in comparison with other towns since its service area extends past its corporate boundaries and includes Brown Township. Even though Indianapolis is 15 to 20 minutes away, Mooresville small town character and park facilities is an attraction for many citizens of Indianapolis.

With the recent announcement of United Airlines locating a major maintenance facility at the Indianapolis Airport many new residents will be locating in or near Mooresville. Careful steps needs to be taken in the development of strategies and decisions as related to park and recreation elements to best serve both the existing and future populations. The Town of Mooresville is blessed with quality park facilities, particularly Pioneer Park. However Pioneer Park alone will not be able to serve the recreational needs of current and future populations. The master plan direction of its development and expansion is critical in maintaining its small town and ecological values to future generations.

*"We must plan for the future, because people who stay in the present will remain in the past."*

*—Abraham Lincoln*

The public accessibility to existing parks and potential future ones is important planning value. Such parks and open spaces can provide public access and 'movement links' to these natural resources. These connectors are many times referred to as "greenways". Greenways improve recreation, aid wildlife migrations and protect scenic, ecological areas. Such greenway opportunities exist in Mooresville and also adjacent cities and towns. This adjacency allows for the possibility of expanding the 'boundaries' of each community's park systems. A cooperative effort with other communities is required for maximum benefit so the park resources can be shared by all.

A master planning of any project takes time, energies and a team effort in processing a guideline for future implementation of goals and objectives. Seymour M. Gold in his book, *Recreation Planning and Design* talks about the area of recreation planning as follows...

*"Recreation Planning is a process that relates the leisure time of people to space. It is an art and a science that uses the concepts and methods of many disciplines to provide public and private leisure opportunities. In practice, recreation planning blends the knowledge and techniques of environmental design and the social sciences to develop alternatives for using leisure time, space, energy, and money to accommodate human needs."*

*"Recreation planning deals with the future and develops alternatives for rational decisions by the public and private sector. It should be representative of what people want, imaginative in projecting what might be, and realistic in recognizing what is possible."*

*"The purpose of recreation planning is to meet events we expect to happen, accomplish things we want to happen, and prevent things we do not want to happen."*

The above statements form a sound basis and challenge in meeting the end product of a Recreational Master Plan. Such a master plan should not be static or rigid. Rather it needs to be dynamic and flexible for issues not anticipated.

While this master plan is a five (5) year plan for the Town of Mooresville, it should be used as a tool and a guideline for implementation of the action steps contained herein. The plan should be used throughout the next five years as a basis of decision making for the Mooresville Park and Recreation Department. The plan should be kept up to date and reviewed annually, thus keeping the department in the state of "the first year of a five year plan."

—Charles F. Lehman, ASLA  
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D. RESOLUTION

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D. RESOLUTION

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Resolution Adopting the Five Year Master Plan

WHEREAS, the Mooresville Park and Recreation District Board is aware of the park and recreational needs of the residents of the Mooresville Park and Recreation District.

WHEREAS, the Mooresville Park and Recreation District Board is desirous of providing aesthetic and functional park and recreational facilities and programs to the residents of the Mooresville Park and Recreation District to meet their needs, and

WHEREAS, the Mooresville Park and Recreation District Board realized the importance of sound planning in order to meet the needs of its citizenry, and

WHEREAS, the Mooresville Park and Recreation District Board is continually aware of the value and importance of leisure opportunities and recreational programs and facilities to the future of the Mooresville Park and Recreation District Department and its programs, and to the residents of the Mooresville Park and Recreation District,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE MOORESVILLE PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD, by unanimous declaration, does adopt the Mooresville Park and Recreation Master Plan 1992 to 1996, dated May, 1992, as its official plan for the growth and development of parks and recreation opportunities in Mooresville, Indiana over the next five years. The Mooresville Park and Recreation District Board is committed to an annual review and update of the goals and objectives of this Master Plan.

Passed and signed the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two (1992).

MOORESVILLE PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD...

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Attested:

Brent Callahan, Superintendent





E. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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*E.  
Executive  
Summary*





# E. Executive Summary

**Today, Americans spend more time in outdoor recreational activities than ever before** and the demand for leisure activities is on the increase. It is predicted that by the year 2000 the participation in outdoor recreation will be twice that of the 1980's!

As interest in recreation grows and the urban areas expand, there will be an increased premium on open space land and related recreational opportunities. The residents of Mooresville and Brown Township are fortunate to have had proper planning guidance in past years to assure the quality of the Mooresville Park's system today. This planning, however, needs to continue to guarantee quality recreational facilities and programs for future generations.

The Town of Mooresville is known for its fine people, public concerns, ecological interests and the quality of services provided to its residents. The Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department plays an important role in this community life. Every year thousands of adults and children visit and use Mooresville parks. Each year the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department experiences growth as it strives to meet increased demands and needs.

It is with a Master Plan such as this that vital steps can be taken to improve the community and quality of life for the entire community of Mooresville and Brown Township.

## Introduction to Study's Approach

Lehman & Lehman, Inc. feels that master planning is done to achieve clearly identified objectives and to provide recommendations for action on present and future needs tied to those objectives. We believe that the participation of people in the planning process is essential. Personal involvement in the identification of problems, needs, desires, and ultimately decisions, is much healthier than reacting to decisions already made by management.

The planning process needs to be continuous and must be sensitive to changes of conditions, needs, new information and opportunities. This Five Year plan should not be the "final plan", which can become irrelevant and stagnant. With *annual reviews* by the Park Board planning can become an ongoing process facilitating future actions.

The Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan is intended to be used as a guide for providing parks and recreation in the community. The planning process for this Master Plan Update offered insight into the changing needs, trends and events since the last master plan.

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To better achieve individual participation in the planning process the Consultant organized a Master Planning Study Team. This Study Team included Park Board and Departmental Staff representatives. (The members of the Study Team are listed in Section A of this document.) A series of brainstorming work sessions with the Study Team was held to discuss and respond to three key identification phases of the process: ISSUES, PRIORITIES, and ACTION PLAN. These work sessions were followed by a "public hearing" where findings and recommendations were presented for the public's input and response. In addition to these public meetings a questionnaire survey was conducted by the Park Department. These meetings, along with the work sessions with the Departmental Staff and Park Board resulted in invaluable input which was used in the development of the proposed action plan.

It was through this "hands-on" approach throughout the planning process that the following accomplishments were made:

- *evaluation of current park and recreation effectiveness;*
- *identification of recreational facilities and programs that are needed;*
- *priorities for improvements and changes were outlined looking at priorities not only for the next five years but also lower priorities that can serve as future planning agendas;*
- *forecast of the park land and*

*facility needs for the next 20 years; and*

- *establishment of an Action Plan that outlines the schedule and estimated costs of the Master Plan items called for to be implemented in the next five years.*

The following is a brief summary of the main elements established in the Update of the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan 1992-1996.

### Community

#### COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIPS

The Park Department is strongly encouraged to continue its building of cooperative relationships within the Community of Mooresville. These relationships will nurture better park and recreational service for the citizens of Mooresville and Brown Township.

#### POPULATIONS

Several components of the Master Plan evaluated "standards" based upon current, future and possible populations. The 1990 Census information was used as a resource in this study. Annual census forecasts should be used in adjusting this Master Plan over the next five years. The impact of population growth caused by United Airlines development in Indianapolis should be carefully evaluated with its effect on recreational needs.



## E. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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### **Administration**

#### **MOORESVILLE PARK FOUNDATION, INC.**

The establishment of the Mooresville Park Foundation, Inc. will mark a milestone in future planning, gifts and donations, etc. for the betterment of the Mooresville Parks and Recreation. A non-for-profit corporation will allow the acceptance of gifts and donations for the expansions and improvements of park facilities and programs in Mooresville.

### **Department**

#### **STAFF**

The park department staff is a quality group of individuals who work well together. This working relationship is a definite asset to this department.

The staff should be encouraged to participate in Indiana Parks and Recreation Association's (IPRA) and National Recreation and Park Association's (NRPA) activities and functions. A program track for continued education should be encouraged.

Trends in park and recreation have always evolved through the years. We are into a new decade facing, possibly, the most significant changes in park and recreation yet experienced.

Future trends of park and recreation have been studied by Professor

Emeritus James Peterson of Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana. Professor Peterson identifies that Park and Recreation personnel in the future will need to...

- *understand importance and value of leisure in a changing world.*
- *knowledge and appreciation to preserve and conserve our natural resources.*
- *broad general education*
- *physical and mental fitness*
- *vision*
- *imagination*
- *integrity*
- *sensitivity*
- *creativity*
- *political acumen*
- *common sense*

The Town of Mooresville / Brown Township and its residents are fortunate to have a dedicated Park Staff and Park Board that exhibit the above qualities to lead park and recreation in Mooresville into the next decades.

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

As with the trend of technology forecasted in the 1990's the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department should consider the expansions of a computer system(s) to allow for in-house desktop publishing of all Departmental brochures, fliers, etc.

#### **IMAGE AND MARKET PLAN**

With the recent development of the new Departmental logo emphasis should now be placed on implementation and "getting the word out" to the community.

**MAINTENANCE**

The quality of the maintenance and upkeep of the Mooresville Parks is highly commendable as was noted in the public input portion of this study. The goal is to strive to retain this level of quality in future years.

A maintenance equipment replacement schedule for the next five years was prepared as a part of this study. Following such a schedule is essential to a successful Park Department.

The maintenance division of the Park Department will be in need of full-time additional staff with the growth of the park system. Budgeting for this position should be factored into future budgets.

The maintenance division also could benefit in having its maintenance schedules, inventory and work orders computerized.

**Facilities**

**BUILDINGS**

The Master Plan calls for improvements to the various sites and their relative buildings in its Action Plan.

The need for the development of a Community Center was discussed as an action to occur in the next five years. A feasibility / master plan study for this development can provide additional guidance of this facility.

Also mentioned as a potential development would be a Nature Center possibly in the Pioneer Park area.

**PARK SITES**

All of the park sites have scheduled some type of improvement or replacement to be done within their boundaries over the next several years.

Several other sites have been identified for development improvements over the next five year period. These sites include the following...

- Pioneer Park (Eastern Section)

Sites targeted for land acquisition and development include...

- Greenway along the railroad tracks and waterways
- Potential Park Land south and east of Mooresville

**MOORESVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER**

As was stated previously, the Park Board should hire the professional services of a consultant to develop a feasibility / master plan study for this development using the data generated by the special study committee of this site.

This facility could provide a much needed resource in the community of Mooresville. It could provide indoor space for recreation, rental, civic events, etc. and could possibly house the Park Department's Administrative Offices.

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#### **MASTER SITE PLANNING FOR EACH PARK**

It is recommended that each park site have its own master plan developed. Such planning would allow the Department to have visual tools to display long range planning to the community while also allowing interest groups, service clubs, etc. to contribute to their development.

#### **Funds and Budget**

The Action Plan, established as a part of this Master Plan, outlines a "heavy front end" in cost expenditure the first three years over the five year period. With a higher cost action plan proposed for the first several years of this five year plan the schedule allows for the remaining years to be used as contingency "catch up" in case the first years' goals are not met.

It is the intention of the Consultant to have the Park Board and Staff conduct an annual review to this plan. This process would allow for the update of the action plan with adjustments responding to current issues and information.

An analysis of annual budgets and funding sources for the five year Action Plan has been included in this report. The Park Board and Staff should continually search for additional funding sources, grants, gifts from corporate foundations, and other methods of creative financing to assure implementation of the Action Plan outline herein.

If all of the Action Plan elements ("A" priorities) are implemented, then the an "B" and "C" priorities could be considered for implementation. This could be part of the Annual Review process.

#### **Additional Studies**

It is recommended that the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Board consider the additional studies within the five years of this plan.

#### **COMMUNITY CENTER MASTER PLAN / FEASIBILITY STUDY**

This study should utilize the information and research gathered by civic groups, special committee findings, etc. and provide a feasibility study as to the potential uses and alternatives for such a facility along with cost estimates for development. Potential grants and other funding sources should be explored. The end result of this study will be a master plan for implementation.

#### **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) SELF-EVALUATION AND TRANSITION PLANNING**

The Department has completed its self-evaluation of Handicap Accessibility under the Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. The new self-evaluation and transition plan of ADA compliance for facilities along with programs and services will be done in 1992. This study may be done by the Departmental Staff or outside consultant's assistance. It will evaluate the accessibility of sites,



- . facilities, programs and policies of the
- . Mooresville Parks and Recreation
- . Department. The result of this study
- . will be a plan to implement accessible
- . improvements over the next several
- . years.

**GREENWAY LINKAGES WITH THE  
SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES**

- . Mooresville should be aware of the
- . "tie-ins" with adjacent communities with
- . greenway opportunities as they are
- . planned and developed. Recently a
- . study team of The National Park
- . Service, Indianapolis Dept. of Parks
- . and Recreation and Indiana Depart-
- . ment of Natural Resources have
- . combined forces to study the *India-*
- . *napolis Metropolitan Recreation Corri-*
- . *dors* potential. Further study of these
- . developments should be continued
- . between the Mooresville Park and
- . Recreation District and other related
- . park agencies.





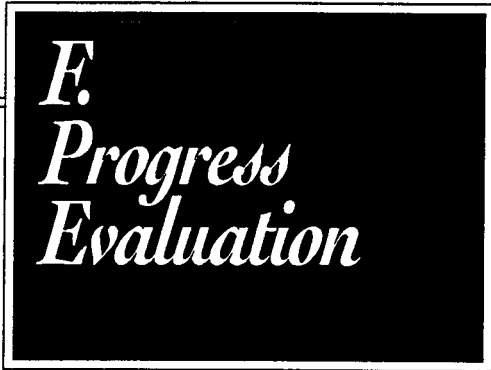
F. PROGRESS EVALUATION

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*F.  
Progress  
Evaluation*







## Mooresville Progressive Evaluation

The Mooresville Parks and Recreation District Board and Department has made considerable progress during the past five years. These accomplishments are summarized with the following highlights.

### 1986

1. Built shelter houses
2. Consolidate town and township into one department

### 1987

1. Full-time Superintendent hired
2. Restrooms planned and constructed
3. Sandcourt volleyball courts
4. Planning for pool project intensified
5. Plans for Maintenance Building and Park Office approved
6. Ordinance #4-1987 establishes new Park and Recreation District
7. Reroofed Old Town Park shelter

### 1988

1. Construction of new Park Office and Maintenance Building
2. Sale of park bonds for pool construction
3. Actual construction of pool complex started
4. Summer playground program started
5. Park starts maintaining soccer and baseball fields
6. Purchased playground equipment for Old Town Park

### 1989

1. New pool, bathhouse and waterside complex completed
2. New pool facility opened for public to use
3. Part-time Secretary/Bookkeeper hired
4. Basketball court paved and new back boards erected
5. Paul Hadley Park Memorial dedicated
6. Department coordinates own rentals of facilities and keeps own books and records
7. New shelter house authorized
8. Employee count increases to approximately 50 positions from the previous 8
9. Lot in middle of Old Town Park purchased
10. Swim lessons
11. Large increase in casual users of park facilities

### 1990

1. New shelter house constructed and others relocated to more suitable locations
2. New picnic tables
3. 70-car parking lot added at front of park
4. Walking path construction begins
5. Secretary/Bookkeeper position becomes full-time
6. Recreation programs expanded

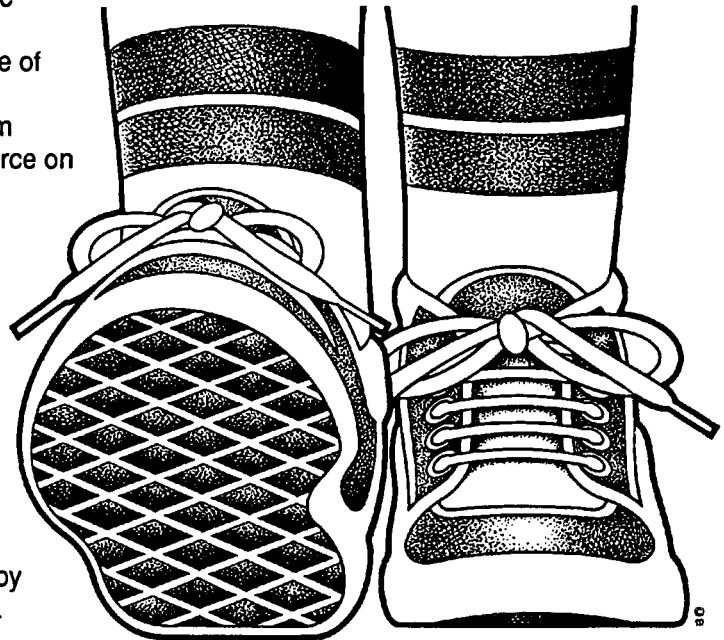
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- . with community Halloween activities
- . 7. Major purchase of new playground equipment, pool deck expansion and deck furniture authorized
- . 8. Pull-off areas paved by shelter houses
- . 9. Master Plan Committee approved and Plan started
- . 10. Computer system purchased
- . 11. Scuba diving lessons
- . 12. Lifeguard training
- . 13. Water aerobics
- . 14. Shelter houses, volleyball courts, etc. all received greater usage on a regular basis
- . 10. Expand Halloween Program to include more organizations and mystery mansion
- . 11. Paint pool
- . 12. Experience dramatic increase in pool usage
- . 13. Establishment of Non-Reverting Operating Fund
- . 14. Establishment of Non-Reverting Capital Fund
- . 15. Approve expansion of Shelter House #3
- . 16. Adopt a new Park Department Logo
- . 17. Held Arbor Day Celebration

### 1991

- . 1. Installed new playground equipment for Pioneer Park
- . 2. Installed new grills around shelters in Pioneer Park
- . 3. Worked on Master Plan and held some public hearings
- . 4. Completed first phase of walking trail
- . 5. Received award from Chamber of Commerce on walking trail
- . 6. Expand Summer Playground Program
- . 7. Hire part-time year round maintenance assistance
- . 8. Ran electricity and water to some shelter houses
- . 9. Held July Fest Celebration sponsored by VFW and Park Dept.



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*Agency Profile*







## History of Agency

The following is a brief history of the Parks and Recreation development and history in Mooresville. This information was taken from old files and records.

**OLD TOWN PARK** – The first 3.3 acres of land for Old Town Park was donated by Samuel Moore to the Town of Mooresville on November 26, 1877. In 1916 the Town of Mooresville purchase an adjacent lot to the park for \$400.00 from John and Alva Roberts. For \$1,000.00, an additional 2.6 acres were purchased from Chester and Emma Lawrence in 1922. The next purchase was not made until 1980, when 1.92 acres were purchased from Frank and Mildred Justin. In 1989, the last purchase was made when .17 acre was purchased from Virginia Spoon. Old Town Park is currently bounded by East South Street, Park Drive, State Road 67 and High Street, with East Fork White Lick Creek running through the property.

**NORTH PARK** – North Park, 5.86 acres located in the Highland Meadows subdivision, is divided by Goose Creek and bordered by residences on Greenwood Drive and Parkway Drive. This property was donated by Robert Dunn in 1965.

**PIONEER PARK** – In 1971 the Mooresville Park and Recreation District purchased 104.12 acres from Milford and Eleanor Carlisle for \$1,500 per acre, using federal funds

and bond issues. Originally called Carlisle Park, the name was changed to Pioneer Park in 1975. It is located on Indianapolis Road and Old State Road 67 and also has East Fork White Lick Creek running through it.

**HADLEY MEMORIAL** – Hadley Memorial was purchased by the Town of Mooresville in 1989 from Citizens Bank. It is a 1,200 square foot section of land located in the downtown business district.

The *Park Advisory Board* was established in May 1922 and the park fund in August of that same year. The first superintendent, J. A. Richardson, was hired in 1928. He was followed by several other superintendents until the position was terminated in 1981 due to a lack of funding.

Committees were appointed by the Town Council for one-year terms from 1940 until 1963, when the Park Board was established by Ordinance #4-1963. Overcoming years of obstacles the Park Board was finally able to hire a full-time Superintendent in 1987. That same year an ordinance was passed to establish the Department of Parks and Recreation into a district including Brown Township.

Since then the Park District has overseen the construction of a shelter house, restrooms, an outdoor swimming pool and bathhouse in Pioneer Park, the addition of a full-time Secretary/Bookkeeper, the coordination of 35-40 part-time seasonal workers, and the hiring of a full-time Director of Recreation.

Among the successful events and activities to be developed are: bike races, the Halloween Hike, Arbor Day, July Fest, summer playground, swimming lessons, water aerobics, etc.

To date, two full-time staff, three part-time staff, and several helpful volunteers administer the various programs and activities, which help make the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department one of the finest in Indiana.

### ***The Park Board***

The Mooresville Board of Park & Recreation Board is appointed as follows:

- Four (4) appointments by the President of the Town's Board of Trustees for a four year term.
- One (1) appointment from the Buffer Zone, appointed by the Judge, Morgan Circuit Court for a four year term.
- One by the Library Board for a term of one year.
- One by the School Board for a term of one year.

The terms are staggered so that a member leaves the Board each year

and one member appointed. The current Board is made up of the following members with their term of office expiration dates...

- **Alan Hornaday**, President  
January 1, 1993
- **David Pearson**, Vice President  
January 1, 1995
- **Donna Young**, Secretary/Treasurer  
January 1, 1995
- **Toby Dolen**, Member  
January 1, 1993
- **Sandy Hreno**, Member  
January 1, 1994
- **Carolyn Lindley**, Member  
January 1, 1993
- **William Roberson**, Member  
January 1, 1996

The Park Board meets regularly on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Mooresville Park Department Board Room. At this time, the Board approves claims and payment of bills, makes policy and operational decisions, approves requests for use of park facilities, and receives and update on department activity. The meetings are open to the public.

The Mooresville Park Board, by ordinance, operates under the First Class City Park Law. The Town's Ordinance (#4-1987) can be found in the Appendix Section and was for the Establishment of a Department of Parks and Recreation for the Town. The State statute (36-10-3) establishes the executive department of public parks in First Class cities/towns and provides that the Board of Park & Recreation shall have exclusive



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government, management, and control of all park and recreation areas within the City/Town subject only to the laws of the State.

The duties of the Board are outlined under Section 10 and are as follows:

- (a) The board shall:
  - (1) exercise general supervision of and make rules for the department;
  - (2) establish rules governing the use of the park and recreation facilities by the public;
  - (3) provide police protection for its property and activities, either by requesting assistance from state, municipal, or county police authorities, or by having specified employees deputized as police officers; the deputized employees, however, are not eligible for police pension benefits or other emoluments of police officers;
  - (4) appoint the necessary administrative officers of the department and fix their duties;
  - (5) establish standards and qualifications for the appointment of all personnel and approve their appointments without regard to politics;
  - (6) make recommendations and an annual report to the executive and fiscal body of the unit concerning the operation of the board and the status of the park and recreation programs in the district;
  - (7) prepare and submit an annual

budget in the same manner as other executive departments of the unit; and

- (8) appoint a member of the board to serve on another kind of board or commission, whenever a statute allows a park or recreation board to do so.

- (b) In a municipality, the board shall fix the compensation of officers and personnel appointed under subsections (a)(4) and (a)(5), subject to IC 36-4-7-5 and IC 36-4-7-6.

Also under Section 11 the powers of the Board are outlined as follows:

- (a) The board may:
  - (1) enter into contracts and leases for facilities and services;
  - (2) contract with persons for joint use of facilities for the operation of park and recreation programs and related services;
  - (3) contract with another board, a unit, or a school corporation for the use of park and recreation facilities or services, and a township or school corporation may contract with the board for the use of park and recreation facilities or services;
  - (4) acquire and dispose of real and personal property, either within or outside Indiana;
  - (5) exercise the power of eminent domain under statutes available to municipalities;
  - (6) sell, lease, or enter into a royalty contract for the natural or mineral resources of land that it owns, the money re-



- . ceived to be deposited in a
- . non-reverting capital fund of the
- . board;
- . (7) engage in self-supporting
- . activities as prescribed by
- . section 22 of this chapter;
- . (8) contract for special and tempo-
- . rary services and professional
- . assistance;
- . (9) delegate authority to perform
- . ministerial acts in all cases
- . except where final action of the
- . board is necessary;
- . (10) prepare, publish, and distribute
- . reports and other materials
- . relating to activities authorized
- . by this chapter;
- . (11) sue and be sued collectively by
- . its legal name, as the
- . Mooresville Park and Recre-
- . ation Board, with the service of
- . process being had upon the
- . president of the board, but
- . costs may not be taxed against
- . the board or its members in any
- . action;
- . (12) invoke any legal, equitable, or
- . special remedy for the enforce-
- . ment of this chapter, a park or
- . recreation ordinance, or the
- . board's own action taken under
- . either; and
- . (13) release and transfer, by
- . resolution, a part of the area
- . over which it has jurisdiction for
- . park and recreational purposes
- . to park authorities of another
- . unit for park and recreational
- . purposes upon petition of the
- . park and recreation board of
- . the acquiring unit.

- (b) The board may also lease any
- buildings or grounds belonging to
- the unit and located within a park
- to a person for a period not to
- exceed twenty-five (25) years.
- The lease may authorize the
- lessee to provide upon the
- premises educational, research,
- veterinary, or other proper
- facilities for the exhibition of wild
- or domestic animals in wildlife
- parks, dining facilities, a bath-
- house, skating facilities, dancing
- facilities, or amusement rides
- generally found in amusement
- parks. A lease may be made for
- more than one (1) year only to
- the highest and best bidder, after
- notice that the lease will be made
- has been given by publication in
- accordance with IC 5-3-1.

**DEPARTMENTAL STAFF  
JOB POSITIONS FOR THE PARKS  
AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

The following is a listing of the  
current staff of the Mooresville Parks  
and Recreation Department...

- SUPERINTENDENT**
- Brent Callahan
- ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**
- Melissa Rose
- RECREATION DIRECTOR**
- Carla Allen

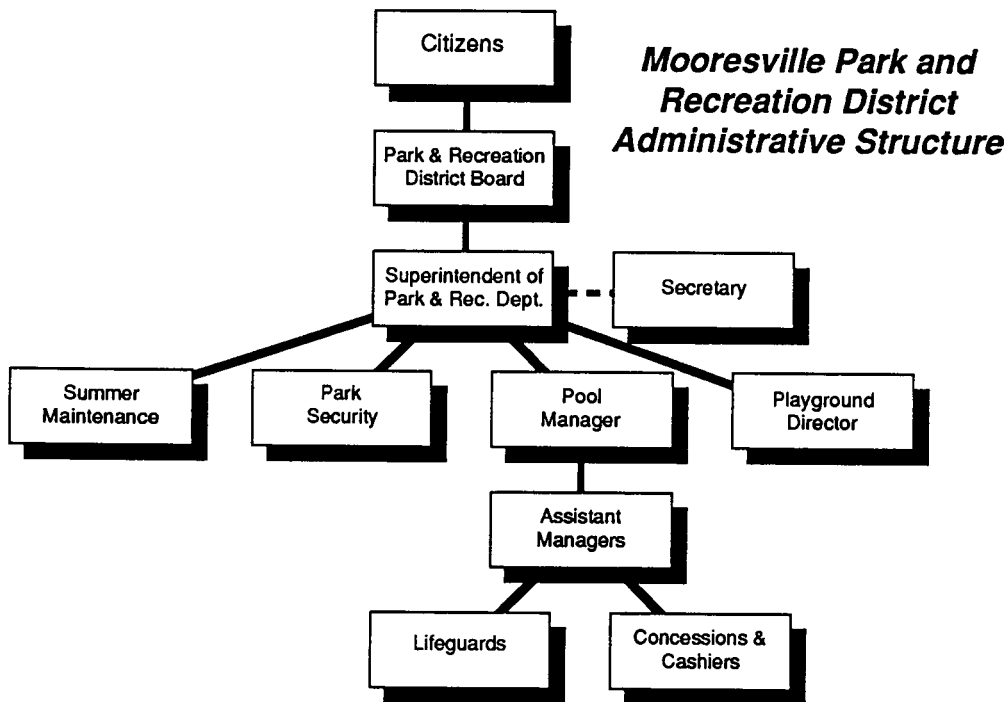
The Departmental Job Descriptions  
can be found in the Appendix of  
this document.

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### EXISTING ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

The Mooresville Park and Recreation Department is currently organized or works utilizing the following diagram.



### AGENCY POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES

A statement of policies and objectives helps define the role and responsibility of the Park and Recreation Department within town government and to the community. These written policies and objectives help guide decision making by the Board and staff in order to meet the challenges of providing sufficient open space and facilities to meet the recreation needs and interests of all Mooresville residents thereby enhancing the physical and social character of the community.

### ***MISSION STATEMENT...***

*The Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department shall provide and maintain a small town character through quality parks, facilities, open/natural space, programs, and services which will enhance the physical, social, and emotional well-being of all the citizens of Mooresville and Brown Township in Indiana.*

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### DEPARTMENT GOAL STATEMENTS

- Promote community involvement in the planning and operation of all facets of the Parks and Recreation Department operations.
- To allow for orderly growth and development of physical and natural resources.
- To incorporate within the department and its programs new technologies and processes that will make activities and services more cost effective.
- To develop systems of information and guidance to provide for a more effective delivery of activities and services.
- To more effectively coordinate park and recreation services with other county services to improve the community's total services.
- To offer comprehensive, quality recreational programming aimed at satisfying the needs of varying ages levels, physical abilities and special interests.
- To maintain and improve the appearance of parks and existing facilities throughout Mooresville at a high standard of quality on a systematic/scheduled basis.
- To utilize the natural characteristics of the land, when evaluating its potential for parks and recreational purposes.

- To periodically assess and evaluate the recreational needs of the citizens of Mooresville and Brown Township.
- To make park and recreation participation as simple and convenient as possible to clientele and treat patrons like valued customers.
- Provide efficient and effective administrative direction, coordination and leadership for quality leisure services throughout Mooresville and Brown Township.
- To effectively communicate programs to prospective patrons through sound marketing practices.

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### SHORT AND LONG RANGE GOALS

The Mooresville Park and Recreation Department has also identified goals that it would like to see implemented both now and in the future that will help to meet the demands of recreation users and also improve the services of the Department and the maintenance of the parks and recreation facilities. Within its internal administrative function, the Department would like to expand its computer system. Further computerization would help improve efficiency thereby saving time, money, and effort. Of primary interest in the near future is computer assistance for bookkeeping, clerical work, and maintenance management.

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Another goal of the Recreation Department is strengthening the working relationship and cooperation with the School Town of Mooresville for additional programs and services available at the school sites and additional money and public support for recreation programming and related publicity.

The establishment of the Mooresville Park Foundation, Inc. is also a prime concern for implementation immediately.

### Departmental Budget Analysis

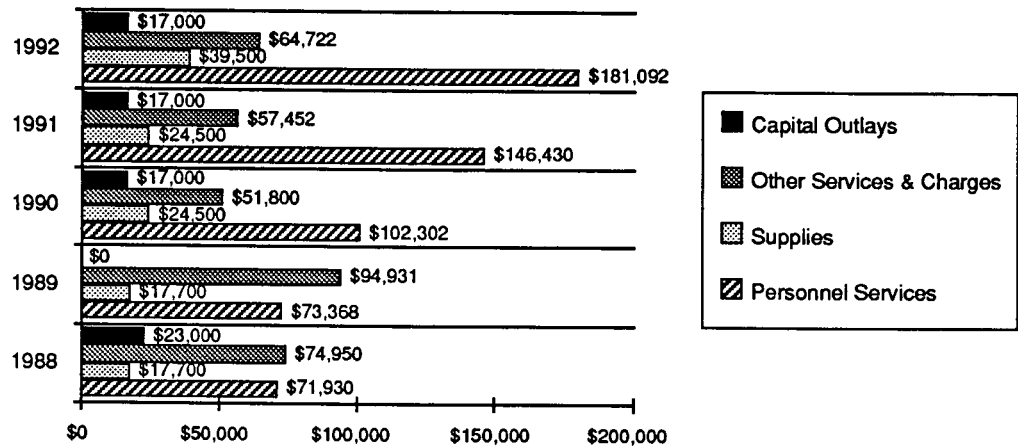
The following charts and table represents the departmental budgets for the last five years.

#### Mooresville Park and Recreation Budgets 1988 – 1992

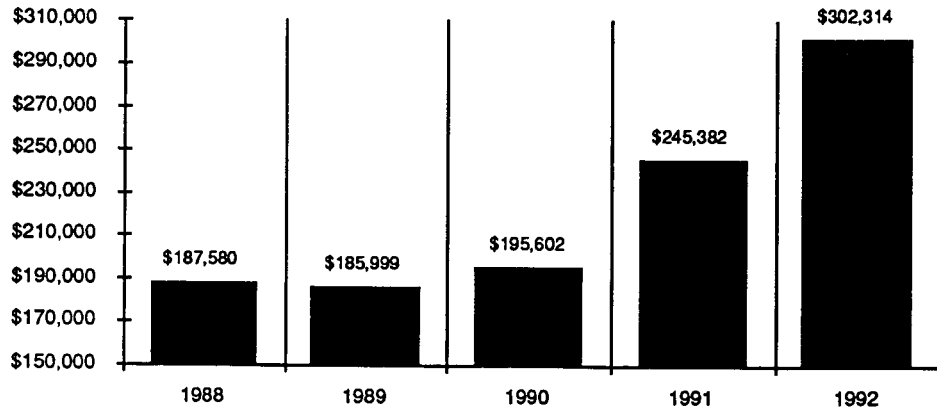
#	CATEGORIES	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
1-111	Personnel	\$36,624	\$36,711	\$55,000	\$98,140	\$118,127
1-112	Superintendent	\$24,500	\$25,235	\$26,242	\$27,030	\$32,652
1-113	Security	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000
1-114	Park Board Members	\$1,880	\$1,880	\$1,880	\$1,880	\$1,880
1-211	Overtime	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
1-254	Clothing	\$0	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350
1-262	Retire./Soc. Sec.	\$4,543	\$4,874	\$7,280	\$7,280	\$13,333
1-264	Unemployment	\$653	\$718	\$750	\$750	\$750
1-265	Longevity	\$730	\$600	\$800	\$1,000	\$2,000
2-137	Other Supplies	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
2-162	Office Supplies	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
2-221	Gasoline	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
2-222	Oil Lubricants	\$200	\$200	\$500	\$500	\$500
2-223	Cleaning	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
2-224	Chemicals	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000
2-311	Misc. Repairs & Maint.	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
2-411	Ground Maint.	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
2-412	Concession	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,000
3-101	Professional Services	\$15,000	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
3-213	Travel	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
3-214	Telephone	\$1,000	\$1,200	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
3-341	Printing	\$500	\$500	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
3-342	Public. Legals	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
3-344	Misc. Advertising	\$250	\$250	\$500	\$500	\$500
3-451	Insurance	\$12,000	\$14,000	\$18,000	\$21,652	\$28,922
3-521	Electricity	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
3-523	Gas / Heat	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
3-524	Water	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
3-525	Sewer	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
3-561	Building Repairs	\$7,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
3-652	Equipment Repairs	\$7,000	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
3-653	Paving	\$2,000	\$56,481	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
3-751	Equipment Rentals	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
3-954	Membership	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$500
3-955	Subscriptions	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200	\$200
3-962	Contract. Labor	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4-212	Improvements to Bldgs	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
4-322	Park Improvements	\$6,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
4-323	Landscaping	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
4-473	Equipment	\$15,000	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
4-474	Pool Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000



### Mooresville Park and Recreation District Annual Departmental Budgets 1988 to 1992



### Mooresville Park and Recreation District Total Annual Departmental Budgets 1988 to 1992



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### **COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

#### **SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 and THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1991**

The Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, was established to require Agencies to be in compliance with handicap discrimination in order to be eligible for Federal/State funding with respect to federally-assisted park and recreation programs and activities of the Department of Interior. The Section 504 guidelines are intended to facilitate compliance with Departmental Regulations 43 CFR 17, Subpart B, to the end that no qualified handicapped person shall, on the basis of handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance from the Department. Included in these guidelines are procedures and standards for determining whether current, and anticipated recipient practices conform to the requirements of Section 504.

These requirements covers the areas of "Administrative Requirements", "Facilities Accessibility", and "Employment Practices".

In order for the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department to be eligible for future Federal/State funding assistance it will need to complete a Section 504 Self-Evaluation. These Self-Evaluation guidelines are available from the Indiana

Department of Natural Resources,  
Division of Outdoor Recreation.

The Mooresville's Section 504 Self-Evaluation documentation has been completed by the Park Department and will be submitted to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources for their review and files.

#### **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990**

With the recently passed Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 significant impact on the Mooresville Park and Recreation's facilities, programs and services will be involved. The Mooresville Park and Recreation department is in the process of conducting its self-evaluation and transition plan for ADA Compliance.

The Park Board has adopted a resolution to Comply with Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. (*Resolution can be found in the Appendix.*)

#### **RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SCHOOL CORPORATION**

The Mooresville Park and Recreation District has enjoyed a positive and fruitful relationship with the Mooresville School District. The Agriculture classes hand FFA have planted and maintained the property east of the creek in Pioneer Park. In previous years the School Corporation has participated with all Third Grades in the Spring Arbor Day Celebration. In the near future both Boards hope to cooperate on a new tennis complex. The School/Park relationship has been mutually beneficial.

**TOWN'S FISCAL RESOURCES**

The Mooresville Board of Parks and Recreation main source of Departmental Funding comes from property tax levy and the issue of bonds for capital projects.

Traditionally, the Park Board has used the Park Fund to finance the administration, programming, supplies, maintenance and day to day operational expenses. The Town's Tax areas include: food & beverage, property taxes, certified shares, tax incremental financing, motor vehicle highway, cigarette tax, excise tax, alcoholic beverage tax, and bank building and loan tax. The monetary source of the Park Fund is property tax, bank building and loan tax, and department revenue.

Assessed Value of Town is:  
-----\$33,681,930  
Assessed Value of Township is:  
-----\$21,978,920  
Total Assessed Value is:  
-----\$55,660,850

The Park's 2% of the total assessed value is \$1,113,217

The issue of Bonds have been for the capital improvements and/or development of parks and their facilities. In 1989 a bond issue was issued for the amount of \$720,000 to pay for the swimming pool complex at Pioneer Park.

**Departmental Divisions**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION**

With one full-time Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, the Administra-

tive Division works toward communication with Department Staff, Board Directors, Town Board, Town Departments and Media. The Superintendent concentrates on Budget, Personnel Management, Supervision, Program and Park Planning, Grantsmanship, and Community Relations.

With one full-time Administrative Assistant the Administrative Division is assisted with processing Department business. The Administrative Assistant greets visitors, fields questions, answers phone inquiries, processes claims, handles bookkeeping, and basically shares department communications to all interested sources.

**RECREATION PROGRAMMING**

The focus of the Recreation Division is to provide quality, positive recreation opportunities which enhance the well-being of the diverse citizenry of Mooresville.

The Director of Recreation is responsible for youth and adult fitness, education, and sports, summer playground program, day trips and the coordination of department marketing procedures.

**MAINTENANCE**

The make up of the Maintenance Division includes only part-time and volunteer staff. The Park Maintenance Division develops and maintains parks and park facilities along with turf maintenance, tree maintenance, structure maintenance, landscape maintenance, and litter control.





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**Constitution Sample for a Park Foundation, Inc. at Mooresville**

This sample is to be used ONLY AS A GUIDE in the establishment of the *Mooresville Park Foundation, Inc.* This sample constitution has been modified from the City of Hammond, *Hammond Park Foundation, Inc.'s* Constitution. (Used with Permission.)

**ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of this Corporation shall be known as the *Mooresville Parks Foundation, Inc.* (hereinafter called the "Foundation"), a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana.

**ARTICLE II: PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Foundation shall be:

- A. To solicit, collect, provide and receive funds and/or property, and to receive gifts and bequests, for securing and maintaining facilities, improvements and programs for parks and recreational activities throughout the Town of Mooresville, Indiana.
- B. To render assistance to the Mooresville Park Board in promoting and developing sound principles and policies for park facilities and recreational activities throughout the Town of Mooresville, Indiana.
- C. To enlighten the citizens of

Mooresville, Indiana, as well as surrounding communities with reference to the needs, programs and activities of the Department of Parks and Recreation of the Town of Mooresville, Indiana.

- D. To establish a clear and direct line of communication and cooperation between Town Government and the community with the shared goal of maintaining and renovating Mooresville's park facilities.
- E. To do any and all things necessary to carry out and promote the purposes set forth above, so long as they are not in conflict with the laws of the State of Indiana, and are activities permitted by not-for-profit corporations where income is exempt under the Internal Revenue Code.

**ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP SECTION 1:**

The membership and annual dues of the foundation shall be:

- A. Youth/student membership: Each student enrolled in a grade school (K-8) may be a member for \$1.00. Each high school student may be a member for \$2.00.
- B. Adult Membership: Each adult, 18 years or older, may be a member for \$10.00.
- C. Family Membership: A family (immediate family members) may be a member for \$25.00.

- . D. Group Membership: Any not-for-profit group, club or association may be a member for \$100.00.
- . .
- . .
- . .
- . E. Corporation/Business: Any corporation or business may be a member for \$250.00.
- . .
- . .

**SECTION 2:**

Each member, 18 years or older, shall have one (1) vote in respect to such matters as the members are entitled to vote upon.

With respect to voting privileges, a Family, Group or Corporation/Business membership shall be considered as one (1) vote.

**SECTION 3:**

All membership applications shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee for proper classification and approval by the Board of Directors of the foundation. Membership may not be transferred and the annual dues are non-refundable.

**ARTICLE IV: MEETING**

**SECTION 1:**

**REGULAR MEETINGS**

Regular meetings of the foundation shall be held on the first Wednesday of every month unless otherwise designated.

**SECTION 2:**

**SPECIAL MEETINGS**

Special meetings of the foundation may be called by the President or whenever requested by a majority of the Board of Directors, or by written

petition signed by twenty-five (25) voting members in good standing. All special meetings of the foundation shall be subject to the requirement that all members be notified by mail, not less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting. This requirement shall not apply to Executive Committee or Board of Directors Meetings.

**SECTION 3:**

**ANNUAL MEETINGS**

- A. The Foundation shall have an annual meeting to take place prior to January 31st.
- B. The presence of twenty-five (25) or 51% of the voting members, whichever is less, shall constitute a quorum for the Annual meeting.

**ARTICLE V: OFFICERS**

**SECTION 1:**

**ELECTED OFFICES**

The elected offices of the Foundation shall be: President, President-Elect, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

**SECTION 2:**

**TERM OF OFFICE**

Officers of the foundation shall serve a term of one (1) year, or until their successor shall be properly qualified and elected.

**SECTION 3:**

**DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS**

- A. *President:* The President shall preside at all meetings of the

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Foundation and the Board of Directors, appoint committees and committee chairmen, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee. The President shall supervise the activities of the foundation and perform all other duties incidental to the office.

B. *President-Elect:* The President-Elect shall assume the President's duties in the absence of the President. The President-Elect shall be Chairman of the Projects and Special Events Committee.

C. *First Vice-President:* The First Vice-President shall assume the President-Elect's duties in the absence of the President-Elect. The First Vice-President shall be Chairman of the Membership Committee.

D. *Second Vice-President:* The Second Vice-President shall assume the First Vice-President's duties in the absence of the First Vice-President. The Second Vice-President shall be Chairman of the Marketing/Publicity Committee.

E. *Secretary:* The Secretary shall be responsible for taking minutes at all meetings of the foundation and the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall report to the membership the minutes of previous meetings, and to transact all correspon-

dence designated by the Officers and Board of Directors of the Foundation.

F. *Treasurer:* The Treasurer shall receive and disperse all funds and finances of the foundation. A copy of the financial report shall be presented at all meetings. A cumulative report shall be due at the end of the fiscal year and made available to all members of the Foundation. The Treasurer shall be a member of the Budget Committee and shall perform such other duties as assigned by the President.

**SECTION 4: SPECIAL DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

A. The President and Secretary shall have the authority and duty to execute Deeds of Conveyance of real estate owned by the Foundation when so directed by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE VI: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**SECTION 1: GOVERNING BODY**

A. The governing body of the Foundation shall be a board of directors (hereinafter called "the Board") elected by the membership at the Annual meeting of the Foundation.

B. The Board shall consist of not more than fifteen (15) directors, six (6) of whom shall be the Officers of the Foundation.



- . C. All Board Directors shall be members in good standing of the Foundation.
- . D. Board directors shall not be compensated in any form of remuneration.
- . E. The term of office for Board Directors shall be three (3) years, except for the Initial Board as noted below:
  - . Five members of the Initial Board shall be elected for three (3) years; five (5) members of the Initial Board shall be elected for two (2) years; five (5) members of the Initial Board shall be elected for one (1) year.
- . F. The Board shall be empowered to fill an unexpired term when a vacancy has been created. An affirmative vote of a majority of the Board members present is required.
- . G. The Board shall hold regular meetings on the first Wednesday of the month unless otherwise designated.
  - . For the purpose of transacting business, 51% of the Board Directors shall constitute a quorum.
- . H. No person shall be a Director or Officer of the Foundation who holds a political office for which he receives remuneration.

- I. No person shall be a Director or Officer of the Foundation who has not been a member, in good standing, for a period of less than six months.

**SECTION 2: ELECTIVE POWERS OF THE BOARD**

- A. The board shall elect the following officers from the membership of the Foundation: President, President-Elect, First vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Elections shall take place at the Annual Meeting.

**ARTICLE VII: ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**SECTION 1: NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Each year, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee, which shall submit, at the November meeting, a list of candidates for the board of Directors of the Foundation.

The Nominating committee shall consist of five (5) members, in good standing, of the foundation, three (3) of whom may be Directors of the Board of the Foundation.

**SECTION 2: ELECTIONS**

- A. The election of the Board shall be held at the Annual Meeting, at which time nominations from the floor may be made in addition to those submitted by the Nominating Committee.

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B. Voting shall take place by secret ballot only if more than one (1) candidate is seeking a particular office.

C. The President shall appoint "tellers" to count and tabulate the votes.

D. A plurality of those members voting shall be sufficient for election.

G. operate the Foundation within the policies, rules and By-Laws of the Foundation and the laws of the State of Indiana.

H. fill all vacancies in the elected positions for unexpired terms.

I. approve all standing committees and appointments to said committees.

**ARTICLE VIII: COMMITTEES**

**SECTION 1:**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Foundation. The Executive Committee shall:

- A. transact the business of the Foundation.
- B. exercise general supervision of the property and affairs of the Foundation.
- C. report the general power to administer the affairs of the Foundation between general business meetings.
- D. report its action at the general business meetings.
- E. make recommendations regarding proposed amendments to the By-Laws of the Foundation.
- F. approve measures for the growth and welfare of the Foundation.

**SECTION 2:**

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

The Standing Committees of the Foundation shall be:

- A. Nominating Committee
- B. Membership Committee
- C. Projects and Special Events Committee
- D. Marketing/Publicity Committee
- E. Finance/Budget Committee

**SECTION 3:**

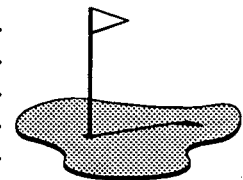
**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

The President shall have the authority to appoint Special Committees of the Foundation for specific studies, concerns or events related to work of the Foundation.

**SECTION 4:**

**COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

The President shall appoint annually the members of the Standing Committees.



· **SECTION 5: FUNCTIONS OF**  
· **THE STANDING COMMITTEES**

- A. *Nominating Committee*  
· Shall be appointed by the President to submit a slate of nominees for the Board of Directors of the foundation. This Committee shall be responsible for electing a chairman.
- B. *Membership Committee*  
· Shall promote and solicit new members to the Foundation; endeavor to maintain current membership; and actively seek monetary and/or property grants and bequests to the Foundation.
- C. *Projects and Special Events Committee*  
· Shall actively promote current projects and events of the Foundation and to formulate an annual program of projects and events that would be deemed beneficial to the continual growth of the Foundation.
- D. *Marketing/Publicity Committee*  
· Shall keep the membership and the public informed as to the activities of the Foundation; shall assist the Projects and Special Events Committee in developing brochures, pamphlets, newsletters and other advertising material necessary to successfully promote the activities of the Foundation. The Chairman of this committee shall designate one member as the Foundation historian.

- E. *Audit Committee*  
Shall audit the Annual Report of the Foundation's Treasurer and report on same to the membership at the Annual Meeting.
- F. *Budget Committee*  
Shall, in cooperation with the Treasurer, prepare an annual budget for presentation to the Board for approval. Said budget must then be approved at the Annual Meeting by a plurality of voting members present.

**ARTICLE IX: RESIGNATION AND REMOVAL**

**SECTION 1: RESIGNATION**

- A. A member of the Foundation may resign at any time by written notice filed with the Secretary.
- B. Any director or Officer of the Foundation may resign at any time by giving written, dated notice to the President or Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect immediately.

**SECTION 2: REMOVAL**

- A. A member may be removed, under justifiable circumstances, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors.
- B. Any Director or officer may be removed by the Board whenever, in its judgment the best interests of the Foundation will be served thereby, by the vote of a majority of the **whole** Board.

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**ARTICLE X: DISSOLUTION OF THE FOUNDATION**

In the event of the dissolution of the Foundation, all of the Foundation's Assets, over and above those needed to pay off any debts and liabilities of the Foundation shall be transferred to and become the property of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Town of Mooresville, Indiana, or any successor body of government of the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department.

**ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS**

The power to make, alter, change, amend or repeal the By-Laws of the Foundation is vested in the Board of Directors.

An affirmative vote of a majority of the actual number of Directors of the Foundation shall be necessary to effect any changes to the By-Laws of the Foundation.

**ARTICLE XII: PARLIAMEN-TARY AUTHORITY**

The rules contained in *Robert's Rules of Order, Revised* shall govern all proceedings of the Foundation's meetings, except when inconsistent with the By-Laws of the Foundation.



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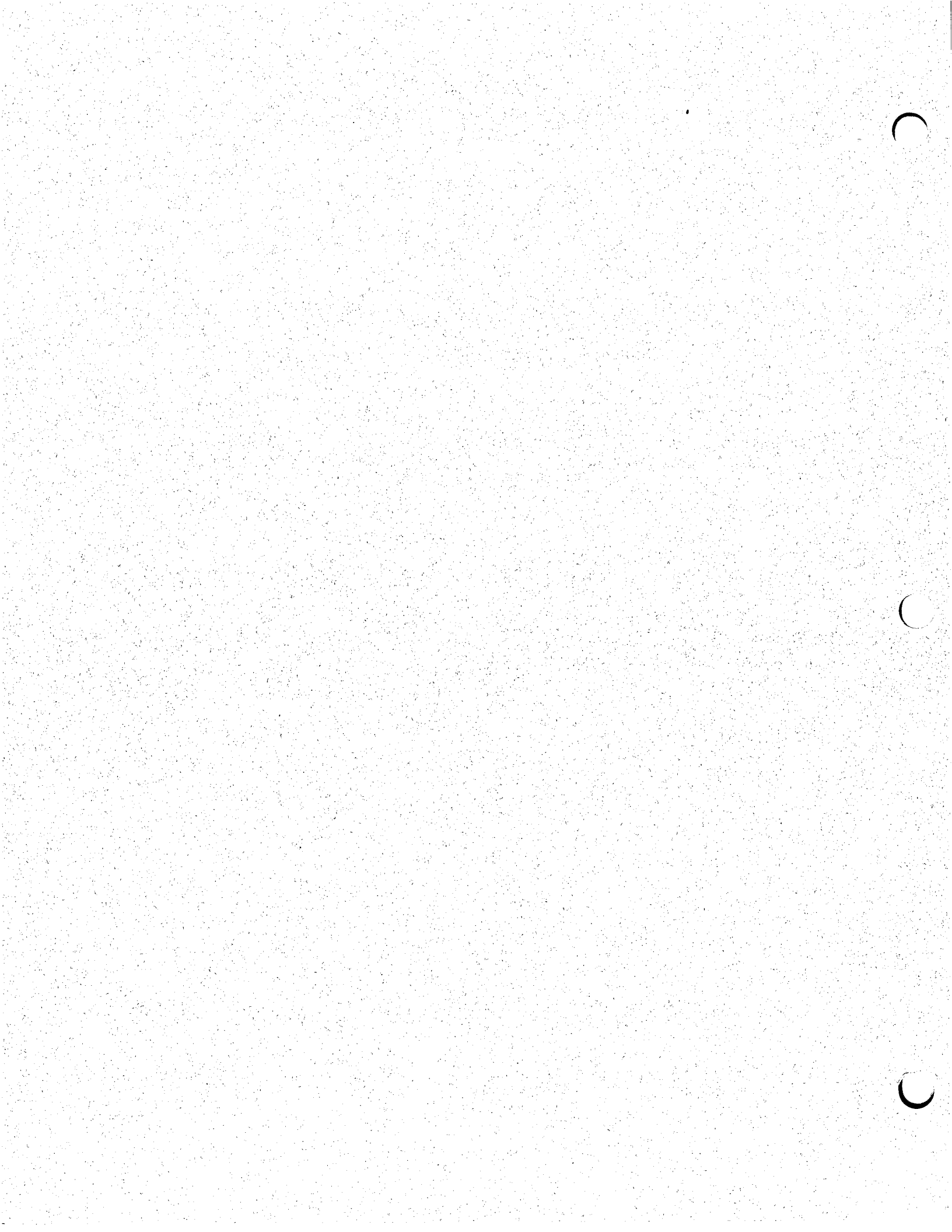


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### **LOCATION OF MOORESVILLE AND PLANNING AREA BOUNDARIES**

The town of Mooresville is located in Morgan County, Indiana. Mooresville lies eighteen miles southwest of Indianapolis and covers approximately two and three-quarters square miles.

This plan covers the incorporated area within the town of Mooresville as well as Brown Township of Hendricks which makes up the Mooresville Park and Recreation District.

*Much of the following descriptions were taken from the Mooresville Comprehensive Plan Document prepared by the Mooresville Town Plan Commission and dated June 1990.*

### **HISTORY**

The first non-Indian settlers came to the Mooresville area in 1818, following the Whetzel Trace westward from Brookville to its end at Waverly, crossing White River and traveling seven miles to the delta of the east and west forks of White Lick Creek. Morgan County was organized in 1821. The man credited with being Mooresville's founder, Samuel Moore, moved here from North Carolina and began a trading post. In 1823 Whetzel bought ground from Andrew Clark and Jacob Jessup for \$2 an acre. Four blocks of five acres each, with sixteen lots to each block, were surveyed with the plat centered at the current intersection of Main and



*Town of Mooresville  
and Brown Township*

Indiana streets. Moore built a large frame store on the northeast corner of Indiana and Main streets which served as a wholesale establishment serving large areas west of Mooresville extending into Illinois.

Shortly after Mooresville was founded, Indianapolis was started about 20 miles away. Mooresville benefited as a supplier of goods to the state's capital, and roads between the two towns were built rapidly. Plans to

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. connect Mooreville to the Central  
. Canal via White Lick Creek were  
. dropped after the state went bankrupt  
. during construction of the canal.  
. Several mills were built on both forks of  
. White Lick Creek to take advantage of  
. water power.

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. A school society was founded in  
. 1828, and a new brick school replaced  
. the old log structure on East Washing-  
. ton Street in the 1830's. By then,  
. Mooreville's population had grown to  
. 200. The town incorporated in 1831,  
. eight more blocks were added to the  
. town, and town trustees were ap-  
. pointed. Business was centered  
. downtown at the intersection of Main  
. and Indiana streets until the 1960's,  
. when the Village Shopping Center was  
. built on south Indiana Street.

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. An oak plank road was built east to  
. Waverly and Franklin that today is State  
. Road 144. Tolls were collected on  
. roads leading to Plainfield, Waverly,  
. Martinsville and Monrovia, today's State  
. Roads 267, 144, 67 and 42. The  
. Indianapolis and Vincennes railroad  
. was completed in 1867, and the town  
. gained a stockyard and two new mills  
. powered by steam rather than water.

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. The first town library, the Hovey  
. Institute and Working Men's Library,  
. was founded in 1855, and a reading  
. room was opened. Books were moved  
. to schools until 1912 when a library  
. board was formed, another reading  
. room was started, and the library  
. opened in 1916. Brown Township  
. joined the town in supporting the library.

In 1861, the Quaker Academy  
Building was constructed as a board-  
ing school on what is now the Newby  
School grounds. The public school  
society purchased the Quaker school  
in 1870, and an addition was built to  
hold elementary students in 1881. A  
high school building was opened in  
1909 and a gymnasium in 1921.

The first Old Settlers gathering  
was organized by Samuel Moore in  
1870. He gave what is now known as  
Old Town Park to Mooreville as a  
permanent site for the event.

Many of the brick business  
buildings now downtown date from  
1880 to 1910. In 1881, a large fire  
destroyed the Odd Fellows Building, a  
three story building that had replaced  
Moore's store. Many early town  
records were burned. Mooreville's  
first fire department was founded in  
1904 and had hose carts to connect to  
the town's central water supply,  
started in the basement of the Electric  
Company's building on East Main  
Street.

Before the early 1900's, a dynamo  
company furnished carbon arc light to  
the center of town. Steam heat was  
also offered for a short time. Central  
electrical company's stock was  
purchased by Indianapolis Light and  
Heat Company, now known as India-  
napolis Power and Light Company. In  
1951, the water system was sold to  
Hoosier Water Company. Later, an  
overhead water tower was con-  
structed.

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The town's telephone service began in 1901 and was later organized as the Mooresville Mutual Telephone Company. It was sold to Indiana Bell Telephone Company in 1956, following several short changes of ownership.

The electric interurban system, which provided transportation service to Indianapolis and Martinsville, was completed in 1902 and was critical to the expansion of Mooresville. It promoted employment and education as residents traveled daily to Indianapolis and back on its hourly runs. Increased use of buses and automobiles caused it to cease operations in 1931.

In 1927, the Lindley business' building at the southwest corner of Indiana and Main streets burned. A number of town records were lost in a fire. The Town hall was built in 1932 to provide a new home for town government.

The 1881 addition to the Quaker Academy Building was removed in 1936, and the Newby School was constructed. An addition was made in 1954. In 1955, Brown, Madison and Harrison Township schools were consolidated with Mooresville schools. The new corporation purchased ground on Indiana Street, where a high school was built in 1959. It had four major additions in the next thirty years. Paul Hadley Junior High School and Northwood Elementary School were built in 1964 and 1965. New Elementary schools were also built after the consolidation to serve

the other townships.

In relatively recent history, North Park was given to the town in the early 1960's by developer Bob Dunn. The town built its present firehouse in 1970, and in 1971 the town purchased Pioneer Park. The Brown Township firehouse was built in 1976, and the town park district expanded to include Brown Township in 1987. The library district opened a new library at the corner of Monroe and Harrison Streets in 1988. An outdoor swimming pool was opened at Pioneer Park in 1989.

## ***Natural Characteristics***

### **TOPOGRAPHY**

The primary natural event that shaped the Mooresville area was the movement of the major glaciers out of the north during the Ice Age. Morgan County is the southern boundary of the most recent of these glacial movements, the Wisconsin Glacier. The glaciers leveled off the topography as they moved south and left a gently rolling of level deposit of earth as they melted. Weather and erosion have since created slopes along streams and drainageways. This is the basis for the difference in character of the landscape in the northern and eastern parts of the county, which were covered by the glacier, and that of the central and southwestern portions of the county, which were not.

Mooresville is located in the area which was covered by the Wisconsin Glacier. Thus, the land around the



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- . community is dominated by gently rolling land areas that have been cleared for agricultural use. Areas of steep slopes are generally restricted to the floodplain of the Big White Lick Creek and its tributaries.

- . A significant portion of the planning area is in the floodplain, the low-lying land surrounding the streams and other natural drainage channels that is subject to frequent flooding. The natural floodplain consists of the floodway, which floods at least every five years, and the floodway fringe. The floodway fringe is that area surrounding the floodway and extending to the 100 year flood boundary. Because of the flooding hazards and steep surrounding slopes, floodplain areas are unsuitable for most kinds of development.

### SOILS

- . The type of glacial deposit and the effects of weather combined to create different types of soils, generally in the upper five feet of earth. These soils have different characteristics which affect their suitability for different land uses. For more specific site analysis, refer to the *Soil Survey of Morgan County Indiana*, United States Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service.

- . The predominant group of soils is *Miami-Crosby*, deep and moderately well-drained. These soils are found fairly evenly inter-mingled in Mooresville and in the buffer zone to the southeast and southwest. The gently sloping and moderately sloping soils have fair potential for residential

and urban development. In most areas these soils have a seasonal high water table. Because of wetness and moderately slow permeability of the *Crosby* soils, these soils are poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields.

*Genesee-Shoals* soils surround the forks of White Lick Creek. The *Genesee* soils that predominate are well drained and best suited for cultivated crops and trees. Flooding and wetness are the main limitation. The soils are generally not suited to use as building sites and septic tank absorption fields because of flooding and wetness.

*Fox-Ockley* soils lie adjacent to the *Genesee-Shoals* soils in the northern half of the planning area. These are well drained soils that are moderately deep over sand and gravel. The soils are suited to use as building sites. Fox soils are poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields because of the danger of underground water supplies becoming polluted. *Ockley* soils, however, are well suited to this use.

*Rensselaer-Whitaker-Martinsville* soils are located in the extreme northwest corner and in a southern pocket just west of State Route 67. Both the *Rensselaer* and *Whitaker* soils that are found here are poorly drained and usually require artificial drainage to prevent ponding. For this reason, they are poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields and building sites.



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*Crosby-Brookston* soils are found in the easternmost portion of the planning area and in a small pocket in the vicinity of Indianapolis and County Line Roads. The soils are fairly evenly mixed and are poorly drained. These soils are usually artificially drained. Wetness and ponding make these soils poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields and building sites.

### **CLIMATES**

Mooresville lies 39 degrees 36 minutes north latitude. Average annual temperature is 52 degrees F. In winter the average temperature is 30 degrees, and the average daily minimum temperature is 21 degrees. In summer the average temperature is 74 degrees, and the average daily maximum temperature is 85 degrees.

Mooresville has an average annual rainfall of 40 inches. Of that total, sixty percent usually falls in the months of April through September. Mooresville receives an average of 29 inches of snow each winter.

### **PLANTS AND WILDLIFE**

Vegetation indigenous to the area includes wild herbaceous plants, hardwoods, wetland plants, grasses, legumes, grain and seed crops. The area is the natural habitat of quail, pheasant, field sparrows, wild turkey, thrushes, woodpeckers, ducks, geese, squirrels, red fox, gray fox, raccoon, deer, muskrat, beaver and mink.

### **Population**

Since their early development, Mooresville and Brown Township have experienced steady population growth. These increases in population are similar to most communities bordering on Indianapolis. Prior to 1950, growth was slight and consisted mostly of natural increases in the resident population.

Between 1950 and 1970, Mooresville experienced a significant growth spurt, owing to two major factors. The first was the post World War II baby boom. The second was the tendency toward sub-urbanization around major metropolitan centers. Mooresville's population grew from 2,250 in 1950 to 3,856 in 1960 and 5,800 in 1970. The growth was fostered by the ease of automobile transportation to commute to employment in Indianapolis and by the availability of newly constructed tract housing north of Carlisle Street.

The 1980 census for Mooresville showed a population drop to 5,391 but the town officials challenged the figure. Multi-family housing increased in number between 1970 and 1980 but the average household size dropped with the increased age of property owners.

The current population estimate for Brown Township, including Mooresville, is 10,332, up 11% from 9,285 in 1980. Population is expected to grow another 18% during the next decade and reach 11,091 in the year 2000.

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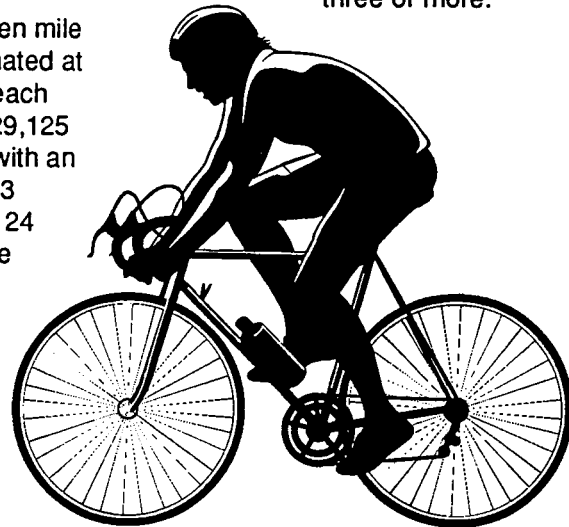
. There are several reasons for this.  
. In the 1990's and beyond, baby  
. boomers will be having children of their  
. own, but the average family size will be  
. smaller than in previous decades.  
. Suburbanization will likely continue, but  
. population growth will probably remain  
. concentrated in suburbs of Indianapolis  
. to the north and east, rather than the  
. southwest. Much of the population  
. growth between now and the end of the  
. century will be attributable to  
. Mooresville's becoming a diversified,  
. self-sufficient small town, rather than a  
. small town fundamentally dependent on  
. Marion County for employment opportu-  
. nities.

. Morgan County is estimated to  
. have a population of 57,308 in 1988, up  
. from 51,999 in 1980. By the year 2000,  
. Morgan County is estimated to grow to  
. 62,240. This represents a rate of  
. growth slightly higher than that of  
. Mooresville and Brown Township.  
. Indiana is expected to lose population  
. between 1990 and 2000.

. The population within a ten mile  
. radius of Mooresville is estimated at  
. 86,703 in 1988 and should reach  
. 91,136 by 1992. There are 29,125  
. households within that area with an  
. average household size of 3.3  
. people. The population over 24  
. years of age have an average  
. of 11.85 years of schooling,  
. and 12% of them are  
. college graduates. The  
. median age in the area  
. was 31.1 years in 1980 and  
. is expected to be 33.1 by  
. 1992, indicating an aging  
. population.

The 1980 median family income  
within a ten mile radius of Mooresville  
was \$23,597, significantly higher than  
Morgan County's \$21,553 and  
Indiana's \$20,525. In 1992,  
Mooresville's median family income is  
expected to remain higher than  
Morgan County's but drop below  
Indiana's. 1992 projections are  
Mooresville at \$38,500, Morgan  
County at \$36,700, and Indiana at  
\$39,760. The average family income  
for Mooresville was \$25,139 in 1980,  
estimated to be \$31,685 in 1988, and  
should grow to \$40,087 by 1992.

In 1988, households within a ten  
mile radius of Mooresville were  
classified by the census department  
as being 40% middle income blue  
collar, 28% upper middle income, 21%  
lower middle income of small town and  
rural nature, 10% as older with lower  
middle income and 1% as mobile or  
seasonal. Twenty-six percent (26%)  
of the households have one automo-  
bile, 44% have two and 27% have  
three or more.

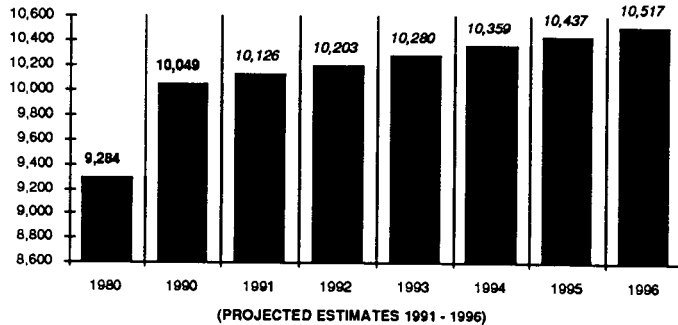




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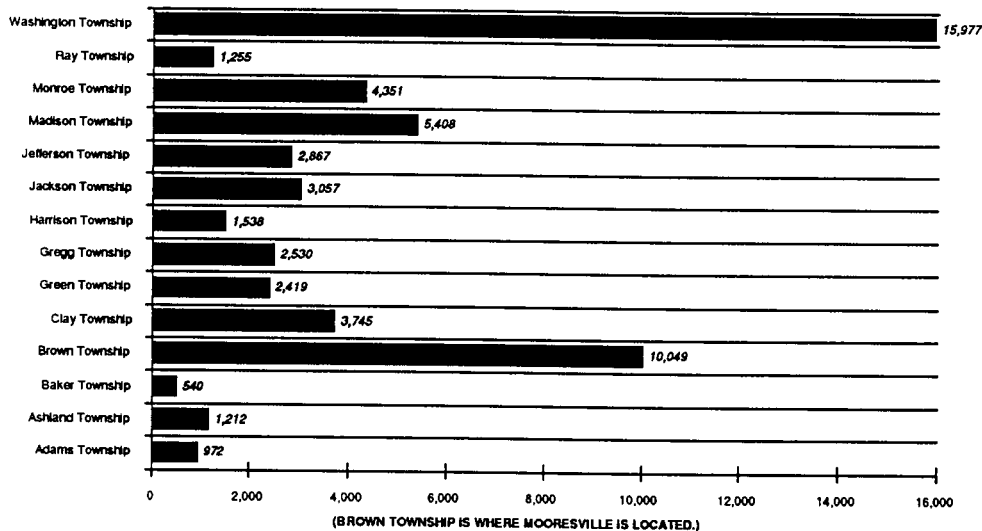
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#### TOTAL POPULATION OF MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.



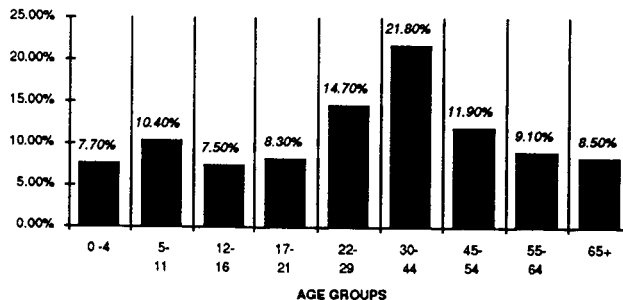
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#### 1990 POPULATION OF MORGAN COUNTY'S TOWNSHIPS



#### 1990 AGE GROUPING OF POPULATION - MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.

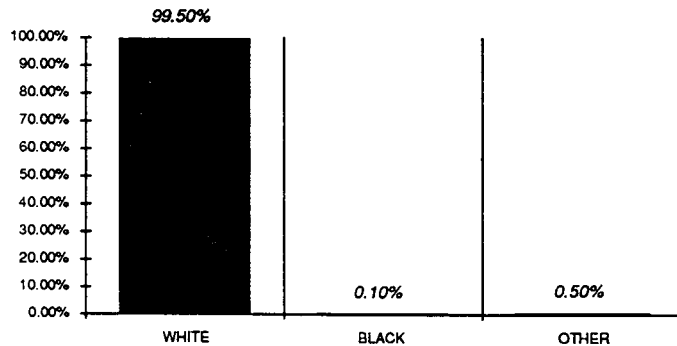
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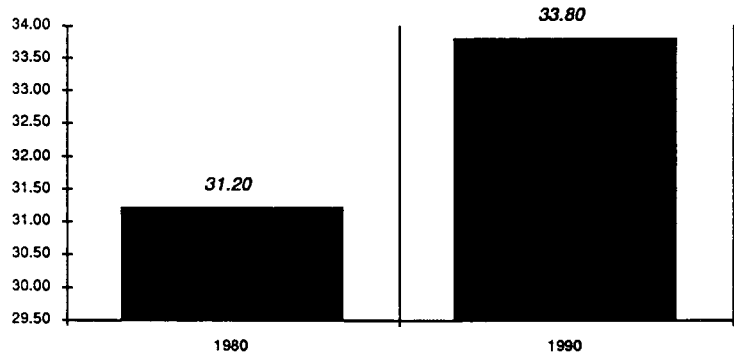
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### AVERAGE AGE OF CITIZENS MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.

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## Economy

### HOUSING

There are approximately 3,350 housing units in the Mooresville planning area. The majority of these are single family units. Approximately 3% of the units are two family dwellings, and approximately 14% are apartment units.

Most of the land in town north of South Street and west of the railroad tracks is single family residential. In the buffer zone, the primary land use is agricultural with attendant residential

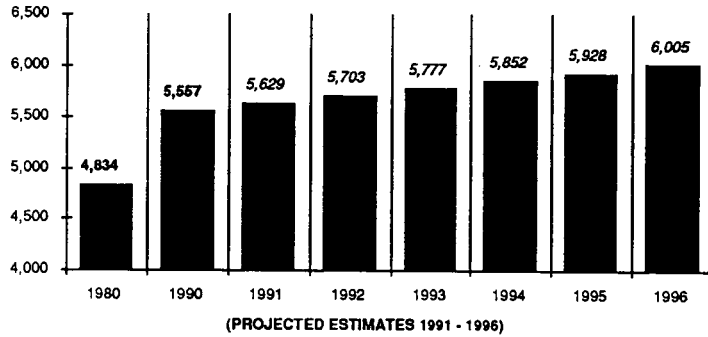
use. A number of single family residential subdivisions have also been developed in the buffer zone.

Mooresville has a high proportion of owner-occupants, which tends to be a stabilizing factor in the community. In 1980, 82% of households within a ten mile radius of Mooresville were owner-occupied and 18% were rented. This compares to 79% of the households in Morgan County and only 72% of the households statewide that were owner-occupied.

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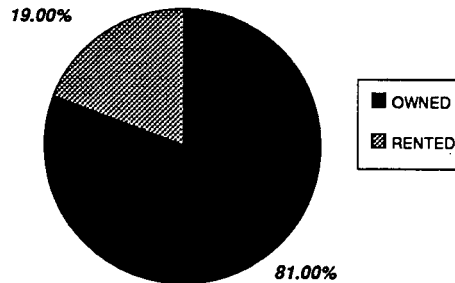
### TOTAL NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS – MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.



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The housing stock in Mooresville is relatively new. Fifteen percent (15%) of the housing that existed in 1980 was built before 1940, 7% during 1940-1949, 19% during 1950-1959, 25% during 1960-1969, and 34% during 1970-1980. Eight percent (8%) of the houses were mobile homes.

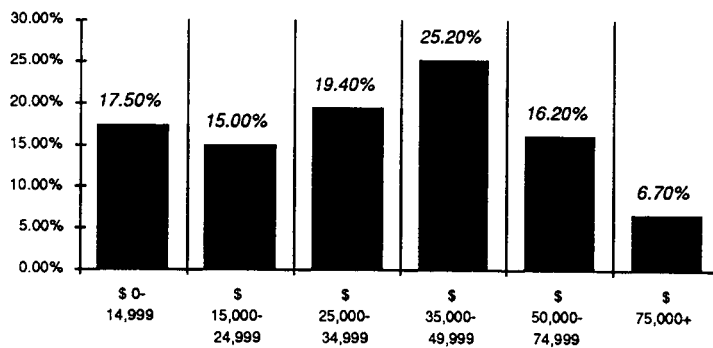
### 1990 HOUSEHOLD OWNERSHIP – MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.



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In 1982, the average house within a ten mile radius of Mooresville was valued at \$37,139. This compared with average values of \$31,222 within Morgan County and \$39,339 in Indiana.

### 1990 HOUSEHOLD INCOME GROUPS – MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.

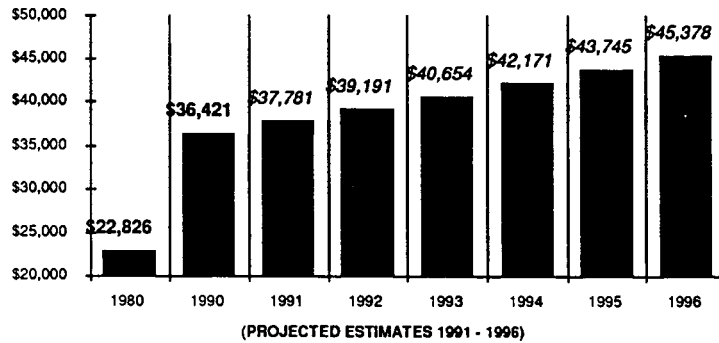


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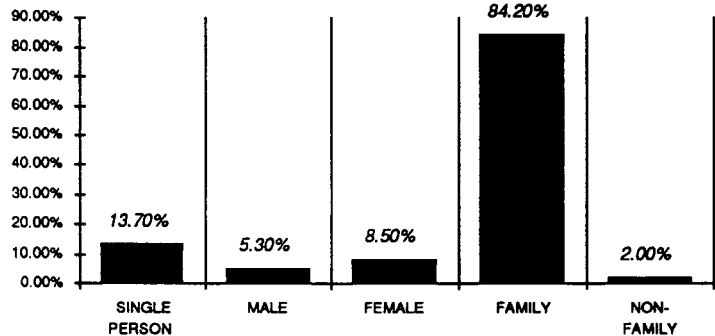
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**1990 TYPES OF HOUSEHOLDS – MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.**

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**Employment**

There is less employment in Morgan County than in Indiana overall. Unemployment among the county's total labor force of 28,130 in April 1989 was 3.9% compared to 4.0% within Indiana.

Within Morgan County, about one-third of the total wages and salaries is attributable to manufacturing. Manufacturing wages and salaries between

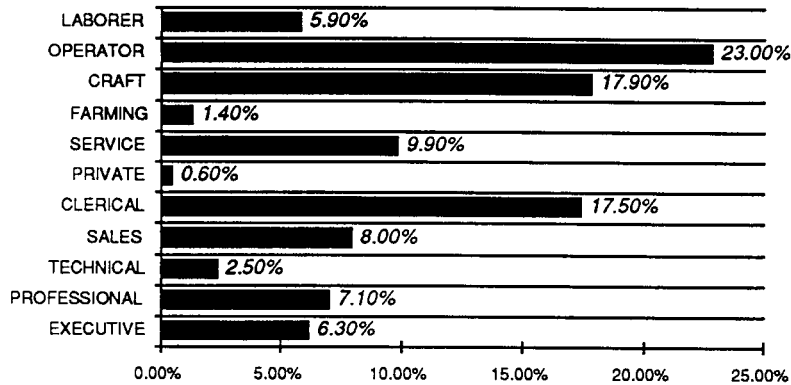
1990 and 2000 are expected to grow slightly faster than the total.

In 1980 nearly 40% of Morgan County's labor force commuted to jobs outside the county. Approximately ten times as many people commuted out of Morgan County to jobs in neighboring counties as commuted to jobs in Morgan County from surrounding counties. Eighty-five percent (85%) of the commuters from Morgan County went to Marion County.

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#### 1990 OCCUPATIONAL TYPES – MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.



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### Public Facilities and Services

#### EDUCATION

The Mooresville Consolidated School System was formed in 1955. It consists of seven schools and serves an area which includes the Mooresville planning area as well as Madison and Harrison Townships.

Name	Grades	Enrollment
Neil Armstrong Elementary School	K-6	654
Newby Elementary School	K-6	302
North Madison Elementary School	K-6	296
Northwood Elementary School	K-6	447
Waverly Elementary School	K-6	190
Paul Hadley Junior High School	7-8	534
Mooresville High School	9-12	977

*Mooresville Consolidated School Corporation. 1988 data. Faculty excludes special education faculty for the five elementary schools.*

The school system is directed by a school board whose members are elected to serve four-year terms. Four members are elected by the township, and one member is elected at large. Responsibilities of the board are to establish policy and to hire administrators to carry out that policy.

Public school enrollment in 1989 for grades 1-12 was 3,132 with 268 children enrolled in kindergarten. Mooresville Christian School also serves the town and has an enrollment of 120 students in grades K-8.

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. Mooresville students performed  
. somewhat better than students across  
. the state in 1989 statewide testing.  
. Mooresville eighth grade students had  
. an average total battery score of 57.1  
. compared to the statewide average of  
. 56.9.

. Additional educational programs  
. are available. Mooresville offers the  
. largest Indiana Vocational Technical  
. College program off the main campus,  
. and the Mid-States Adult Education  
. Cooperation is located in Mooresville.  
. Individual and company training are  
. available through the Circle Seven  
. Training Council.

### HEALTH

. Morgan County Memorial Hospital  
. maintains an Immediate Care Center in  
. Mooresville, and there are five general  
. medicine physicians practicing in  
. Mooresville. Ambulance service is  
. available from Brown Township  
. Lifestar. Also in Mooresville is The  
. Kendrick Center for Colon & Rectal  
. Care along with The Center for Hip &  
. Knee Surgery.

. Other hospitals within a twenty mile  
. radius of Mooresville include Morgan  
. County Memorial Hospital, Hendricks  
. Community Hospital, Johnson Memorial  
. Hospital, methodist Hospital, Veterans  
. Hospital, Indiana University Hospital,  
. St. Francis Hospital, Winona Hospital  
. and Community South Hospital.

### SAFETY

. Mooresville is served by a police  
. department headed by a chief marshal.  
. The department has twelve deputy

marshals and four emergency dis-  
patchers. The Mooresville Fire  
Department has seven full time  
firemen and gains additional man-  
power from volunteers. The station is  
manned 24 hours daily.

### PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

Pioneer Park is Mooresville's  
primary recreation area. It consists of  
105 acres on the east side of India-  
napolis Road in the northern part of  
town. The park includes five baseball  
diamonds, two soccer fields, a swim-  
ming pool, picnic areas, horseshoe  
courts, volleyball, walking trails and a  
variety of other activities.

Mooresville also has two smaller  
parks. Old Town Park is located on  
South Street near High Street and  
North Park lies between Rose Lane  
and Greenwood Drive.

There is considerable open space  
in the planning area because of two  
land uses. The prevalence of agricul-  
tural land use throughout the buffer  
zone provides much open space  
around Mooresville. Also, the exten-  
sive floodplain of White Lick Creek  
and its East Fork significantly limits  
development in low lying areas and  
preserves open space.

### CIRCULATION

Most traffic through Mooresville  
consists of automobiles. Heavier truck  
traffic is allowed on State Roads 67,  
42, 267, and 144 which passes  
through town. Except for deliveries,  
truck traffic is discouraged on residen-  
tial streets as they are not built to  
handle heavy loads.



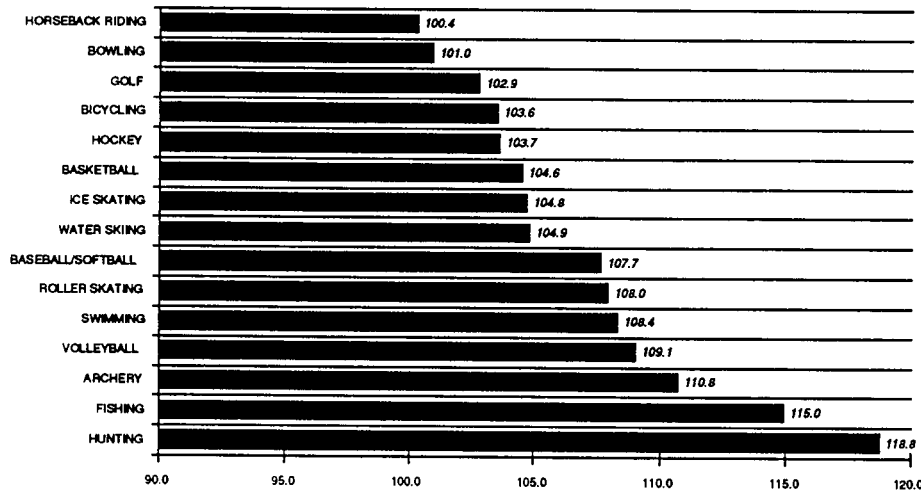
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#### SPORTS/LEISURE ACTIVITIES

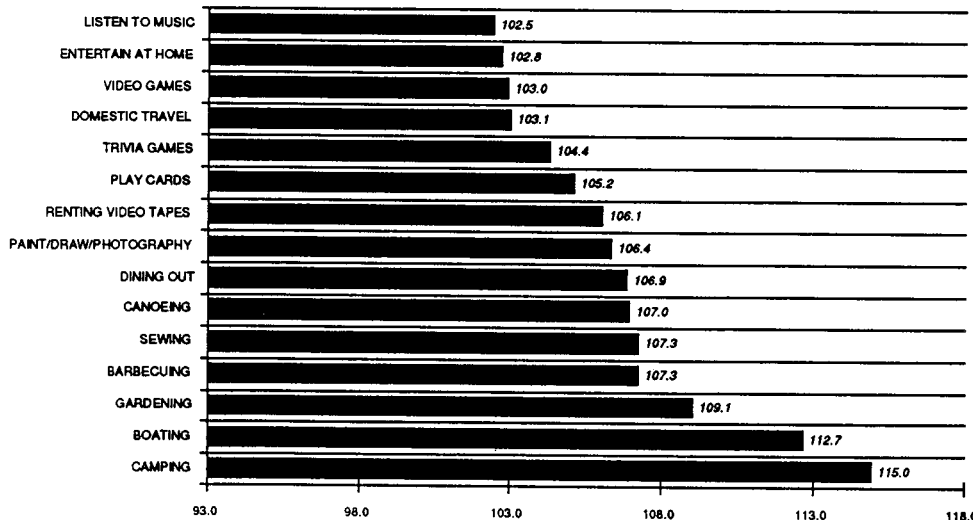
As a part of the 1990 Census questions were asked in regard to the individual involvement in sports and leisure activities. The following represents those people in the 46158 zip code (Mooresville and Brown Twp.) The higher the index the more preferred the activity.

1990 SPORT ACTIVITIES OF POPULATION – MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.



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1990 LEISURE ACTIVITIES OF POPULATION – MOORESVILLE AND BROWN TWP.



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### **Impact of United Airlines Hub at Indianapolis Airport and Mooresville**

The following information is an outline taken from an article entitled, "Indianapolis official outline United impact", by Rick Moore which appeared in *The Times*, Mooresville, in January, 1992.

- Hub to be located on north side of the Indianapolis airport and will include 3,000,000 square feet under roof, 737 new craft.
- "... Indianapolis wants to maintain a network with surrounding local elected officials for broader participation in future projects. Development officials want to market the metropolitan area." — Tim Monger, President, Indianapolis Development Corporation
- Martinsville city officials also want to discuss the possibility of locating a small reliever airport in southern Morgan County — They were given options for pursuing federal funds for an airport study
- Mayor Goldsmith is expected to ask the State Legislature to look at capturing some income tax revenue from United employees living outside Marion County to pay for the airport project — Opposition is expected
- Randy Haymaker, Mooresville economic development director: "Morgan County also has the potential of landing a large industrial project that has hinted at a \$200 million investment." Would it (the tax) would be a two-way street if Indianapolis residents were working in Morgan County.
- Hendricks County to pay \$8 million toward United incentives — Would be great if Morgan County could pay \$200,000
- United hub brings "potential for tremendous positive impact in Morgan County, including the possible location of support industries or business as well as new residents with high-paying jobs." (6,300 jobs at average wage of \$45,000 by 2004)
- Expect as many as 20,000 spin-off jobs, \$450 million in local economic activity
- Low Estimate: 10% of United's workforce will live in Morgan County (about 630 families)
- Commissioner Roger Davee and Martinsville officials to look into a small airport in Morgan County. Haymaker says Mooresville not interested in an airport.



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### **The Greenway Potential in Mooresville and Brown Township**

The Indianapolis Metropolitan Recreation Corridors study group requested that each community identify potential linear parks opportunities in their areas. The Mooresville Park and Recreation Department met and identified such recreation potentials in the Mooresville / Brown Township area. The following is a description of the recommendations. These descriptions are keyed into the following map of Brown Township.

#### **SECTION ONE**

*Areas of Interest:*

- Railroad
- East Fork White Lick Creek

*Facilities of Interest:*

- Pioneer Park

*Priorities:*

1. Connect 78 acre section of Park with 25 acre section on east side of creek with bridge.
2. Expand existing two mile trail system with 1/4 mile currently along creek to continue around 25 acres east section of Park of which more than 1/4 mile would be along White Lick Creek.
3. Study feasible way to utilize existing railroad property in event it becomes available.
4. Preserve open space north and south of existing Park for trails, athletic fields, and natural areas along creek.

5. Preserve open and natural areas. Develop walking, hiking, and jogging trails along creek.

#### **SECTION TWO**

*Areas of Interest:*

- Railroad
- East Fork White Lick Creek
- Cemetery property along Creek

*Facilities of Interest:*

- Old Town Park

*Priorities:*

1. Connect west side of Old Town Park and East Section with a bridge.
2. Preserve open space and natural areas and develop trails along White Lick Creek.
3. Study feasible way to utilize existing railroad property if it becomes available.
4. Preserve cemetery property along creek.

#### **SECTIONS ONE & TWO**

*Facilities of Interest:*

- Pioneer Park
- Old Town Park

*Priorities:*

1. Connect Pioneer Park and Old Town Park with trail system via White Lick Creek or Railroad property if it becomes available.

#### **SECTION THREE**

*Areas of Interest:*

- White Lick Creek where the East and West branches join together.



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*Priorities:*

1. Develop trails along creek.

**SECTION FOUR**

*Areas of Interest:*

- White Lick Creek
- Newby athletic fields and play areas
- Old Town Cemetery

*Facilities of Interest:*

- Newby Academy Building
- Newby Gym

*Priorities:*

1. Trail development along creek.
2. Preservation of natural areas along creek.
3. Preservation and/or expansion of athletic fields and play areas.
4. Investigate possible joint usage of academy building and gym complex and school, local historical organization, and athletic leagues for programming and operation of facilities.

5. Preservation of Old Town Cemetery.

**SECTION FIVE**

*Areas of Interest:*

- White Lick Creek
- Open Play Areas

*Priorities:*

1. Develop trails along creek.
2. Possible open play area for organized sports.

**SECTION SIX**

*Areas of Interest:*

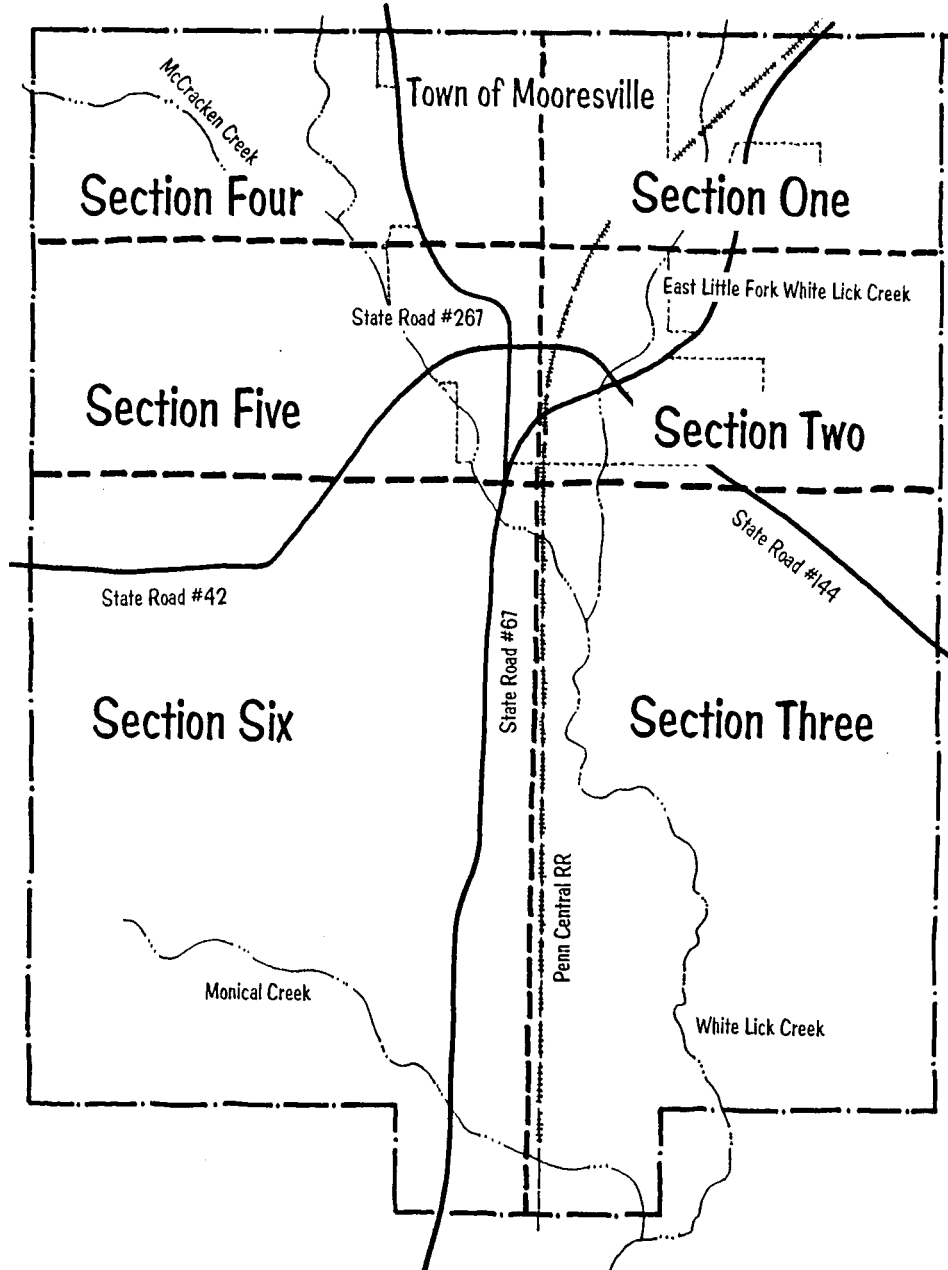
- This section contains no areas that have White Lick Creek or railroad right of way.

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**Key Map of Brown Township Linear Park Sections**



The adjacent map illustrates the Sections identified in the previous narrative.

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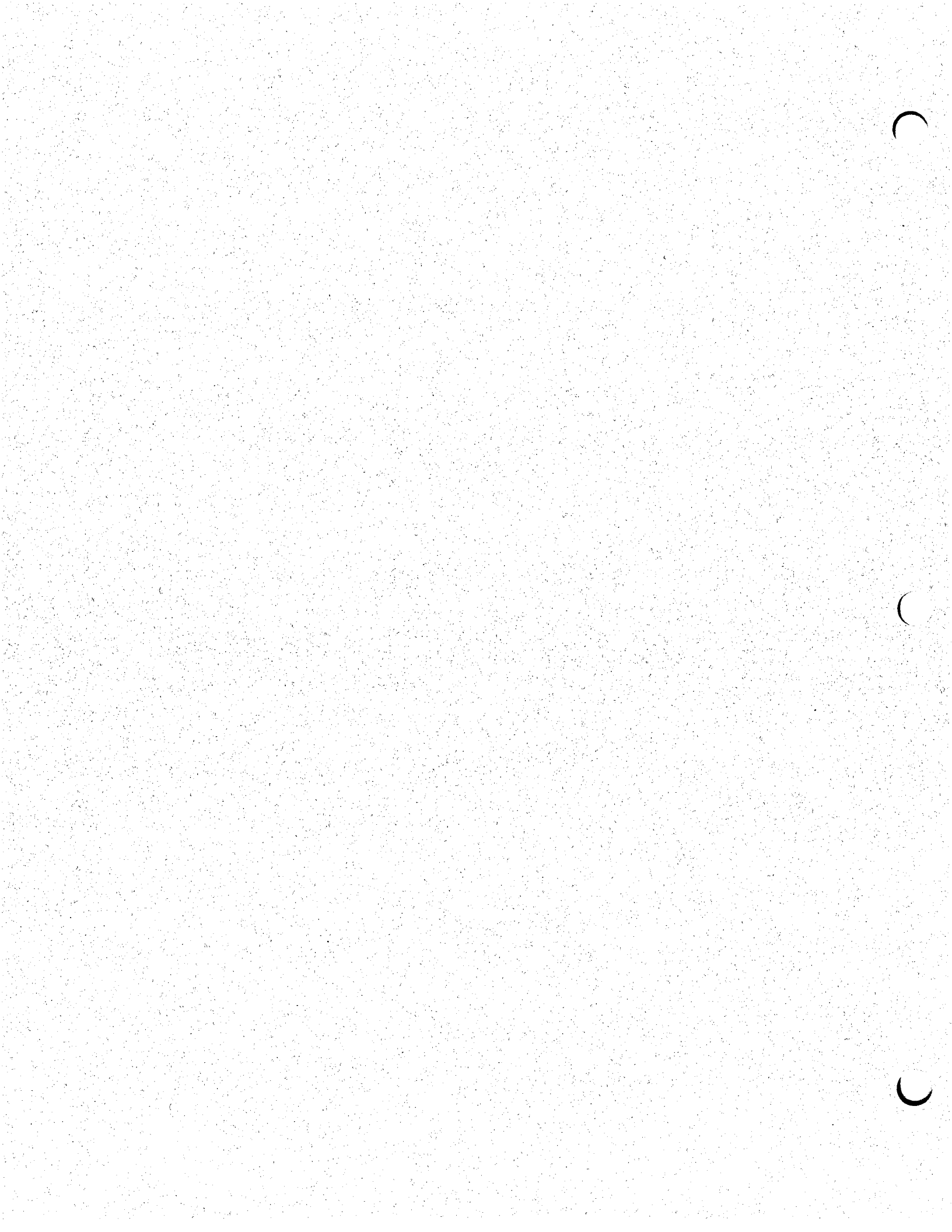
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## Park and Recreation Inventory

The Mooresville Parks and Recreation District consists of 4 developed parks sites (112.7 acres). It is through this fine system of parks that recreational needs of its residents of Mooresville and Brown Township can be met.

The pages that follow will provide an inventory of these park sites. Also included are scaled drawings of the major park sites that were developed via aerial photographs, site visits and misc. drawings. They are intended to be representative and graphical for use in planning and programming efforts. A Mooresville town map with park locations has also been included.

Recreational opportunities on both the parks sites as well as the various school sites have been included in the Park Inventory Matrix.

### **Descriptions of Individual Parks and Properties—Narratives and Future Planning Features**

#### **OLD TOWN PARK –**

Located at South and Park Streets in Mooresville, this neighborhood park is the oldest park of the system dating back to 1877. Old Town Park contains approximately 7 acres and is bounded by East South Street, Park Drive, State Road 67 and High Street, with East Fork White Lick Creek running through the property. Activities found in this park site

includes: a picnic shelter, playground, two softball diamonds, a log cabin for Boy Scouts usage, restrooms and water fountains. The Park is maintained under contract with the local Lions Club.

#### **NORTH PARK –**

Located in the Highland Meadows subdivision this neighborhood park contains 5.86 acres and is divided by Goose Creek and is bordered by residence on Greenwood Drive and Parkway Drive. Activities located in this park site include: picnicking, one picnic shelter, playground, one basketball court, and volleyball courts. This park is passive in its character serving a local neighborhood. This park site is not easily accessible and not well known within the system.

#### **PIONEER PARK –**

Located at 1101 North Indianapolis Road this community park site serves as the main park in the system. The 104 acre site is located on Indianapolis Road and Old State Road 67 and also has East Fork White Lick Creek running through it. The areas on the west side of the creek contains the park's current development. The land on the east side of the creek is currently undeveloped partially due to the lack of any permanent crossing over the creek. This land offers the opportunity future development. The Park District's office and





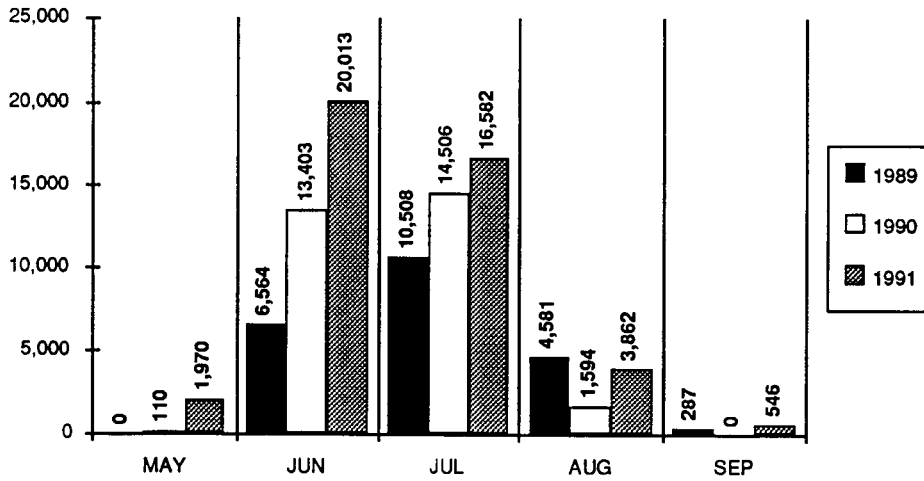
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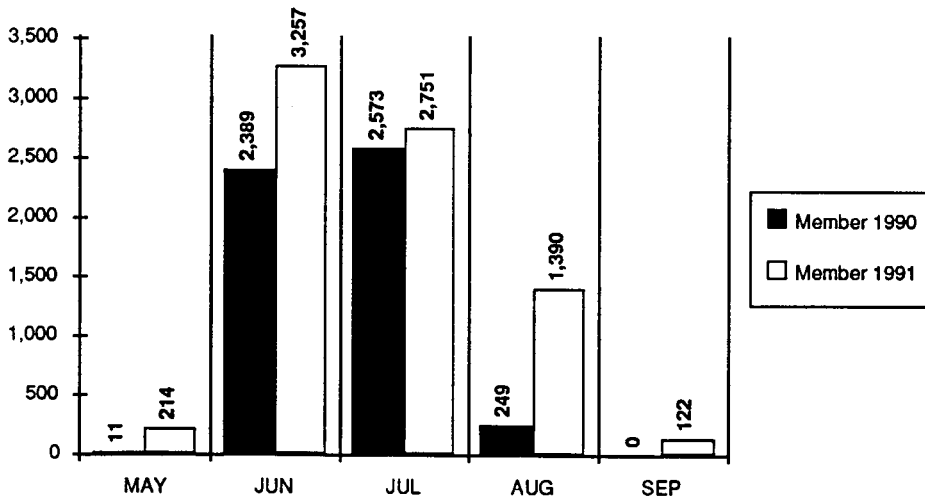
## Uses and Users of Individual Facilities

The following is the attendance figures of the Pioneer Park's swimming pool for the last three years.

### SWIMMING POOL ATTENDANCE BY MONTH



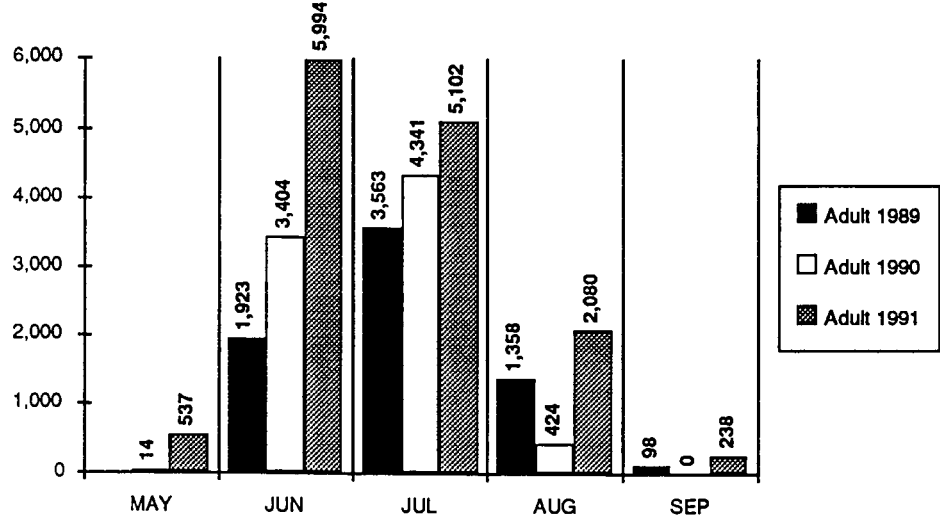
### MEMBER SWIMMING POOL ATTENDANCE



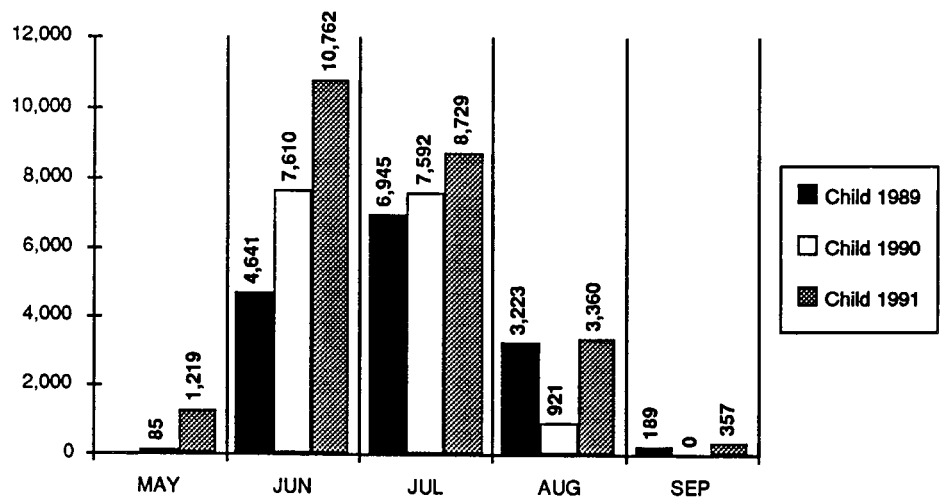
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ADULT SWIMMING POOL ATTENDANCE



CHILDREN SWIMMING POOL ATTENDANCE



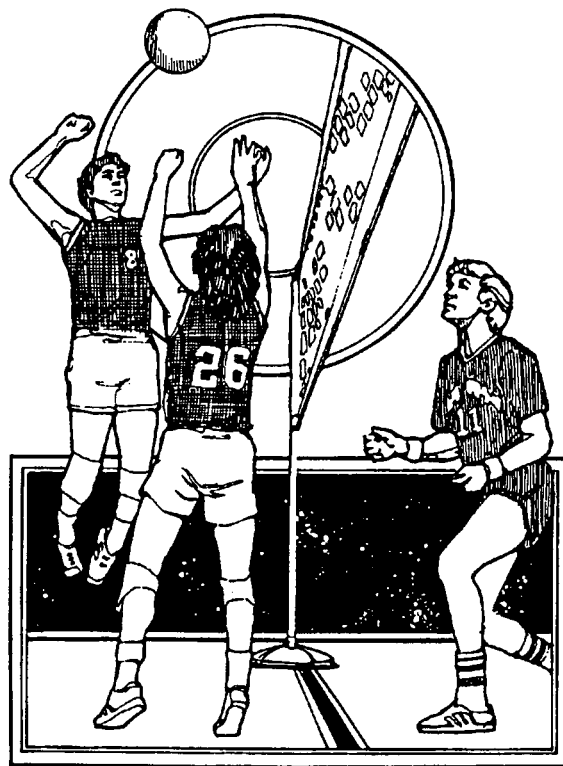
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### ***Private Recreation Resources:***

The following is a listing of the private recreation resources in the Mooresville and Brown Township community.

- **BOWLING ALLEY** – Big M Bowl, a bowling alley (8 lanes.)
- **MINATURE GOLF COURSES** – Inside Scoop.
- **BATTING CAGES** – Inside Scoop (5 cages.)
- **THEATRES** – Mooresville Plaza (1 screen), Mooresville Cinema (3 screens.)
- **CAMPGROUNDS** – 3 Point Lake
- **GOLF COURSE** – Mooresville Country Club (18 holes.)
- **SOFTBALL COMPLEX** – Sunshine Park Softball (4 diamonds.)

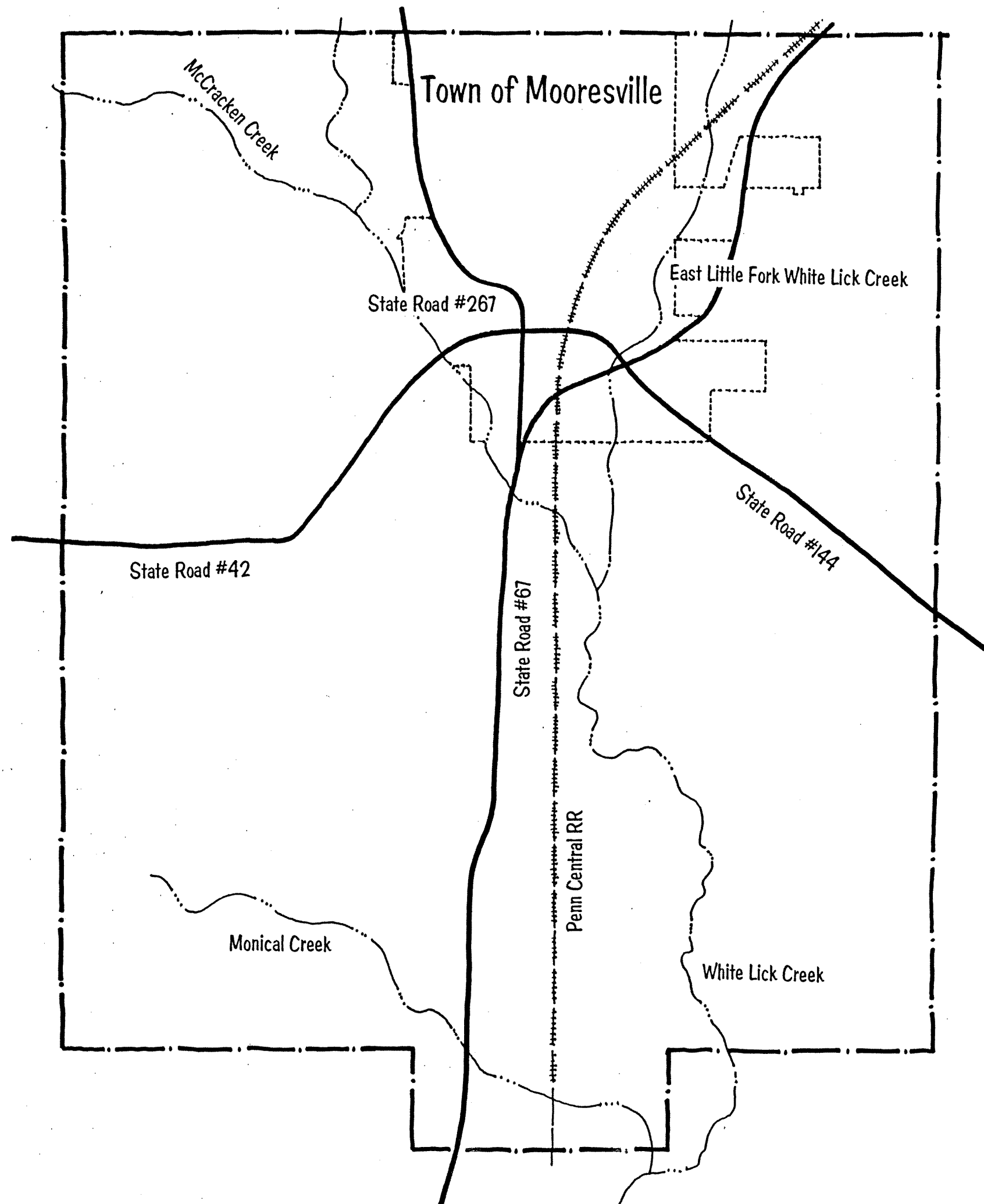


***Index to the following maps:***

The following maps are included to provide a better sense of reference to the Mooresville and Brown Township community and for each of the park sites within the Mooresville Park and Recreation District.

- **BROWN TOWNSHIP MAP** – this map outlines Brown Township and the Town of Mooresville. It also illustrates the major highways, waterways, and railroads in the Township.
- **TOWN OF MOORESVILLE ZONING MAP** – this map was provided by the Town's Planning Department which indicates the various landuse zoning characteristics of the Town.
- **TOWN OF MOORESVILLE GROWTH MAP** – this map was also provided by the Town's Planning Department and illustrates the growth areas around the Town of Mooresville.
- **PARK LOCATIONS MAP** – this plan illustrates the locations of the existing park sites in relationship to the Town of Mooresville.
- **INDIVIDUAL PARK MAPS**
  - Old Town Park
  - North Park
  - Pioneer Park
  - Hadley Memorial (is not included in this document)





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McCracken Creek

State Road #267

East Little Fork White Lick Creek

State Road #42

State Road #144

State Road #67

Penn Central RR

Monical Creek

White Lick Creek



North

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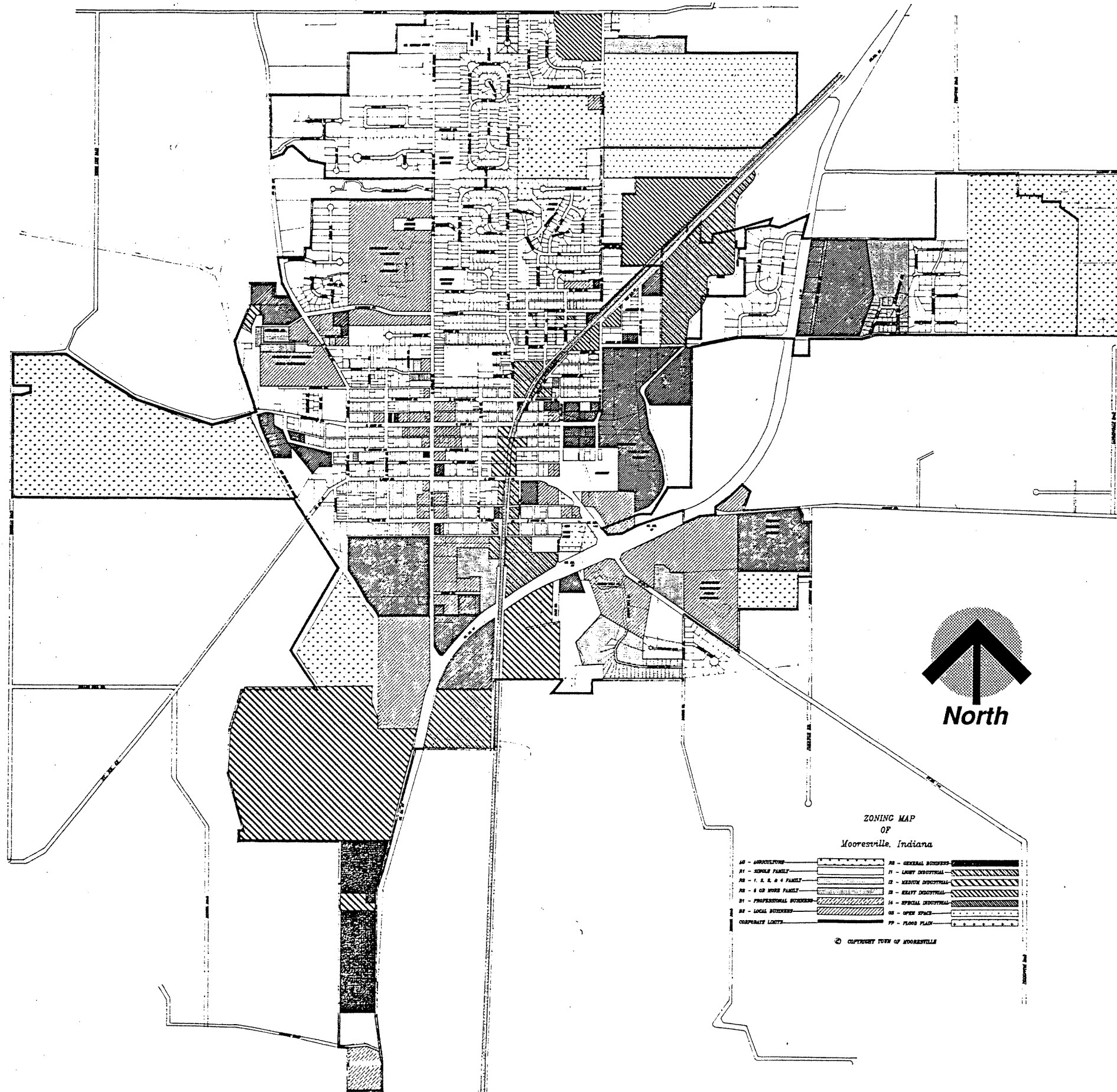


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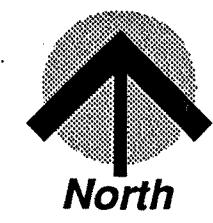
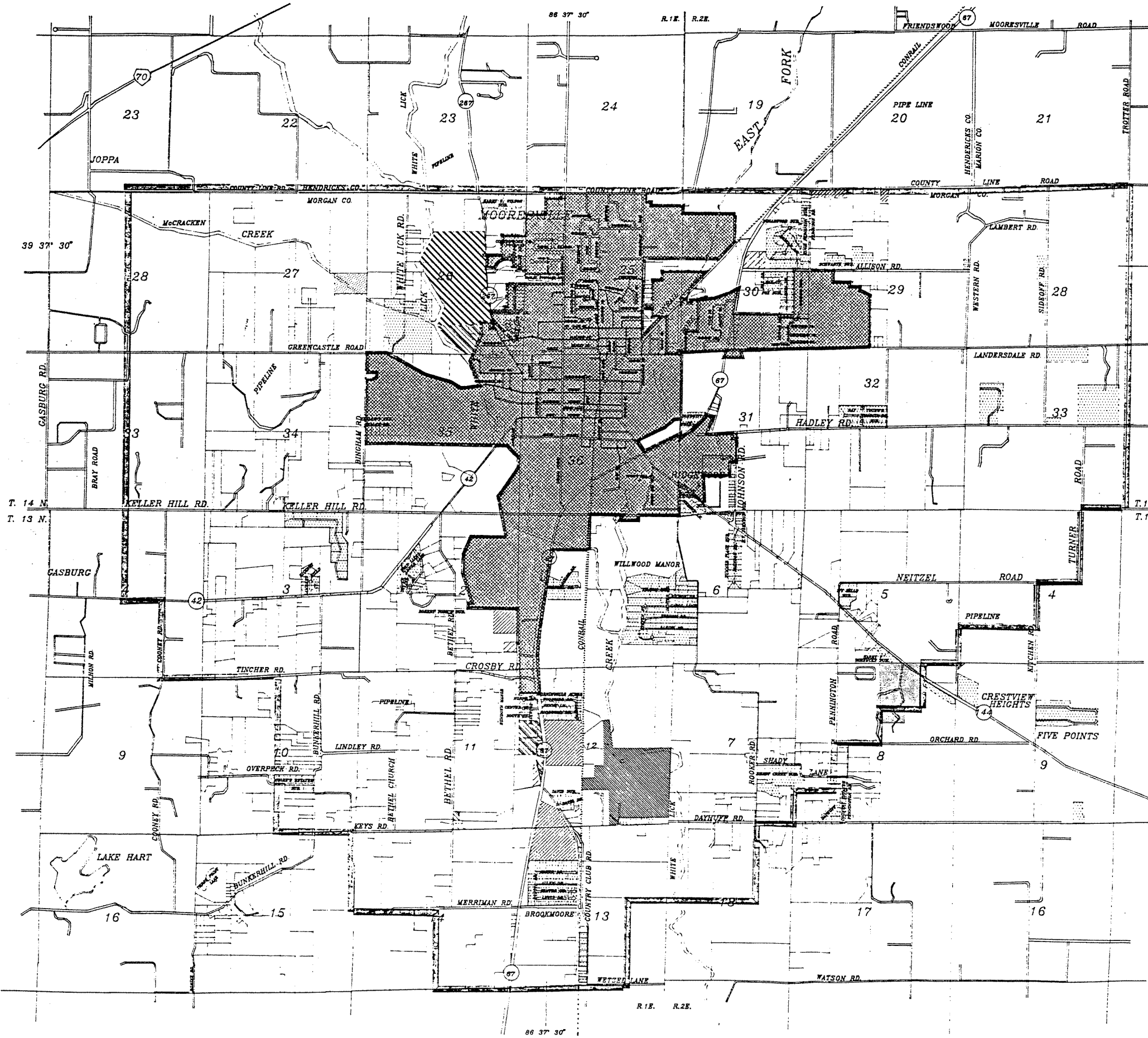
**Brown Township Map**



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## Town's Zoning Map

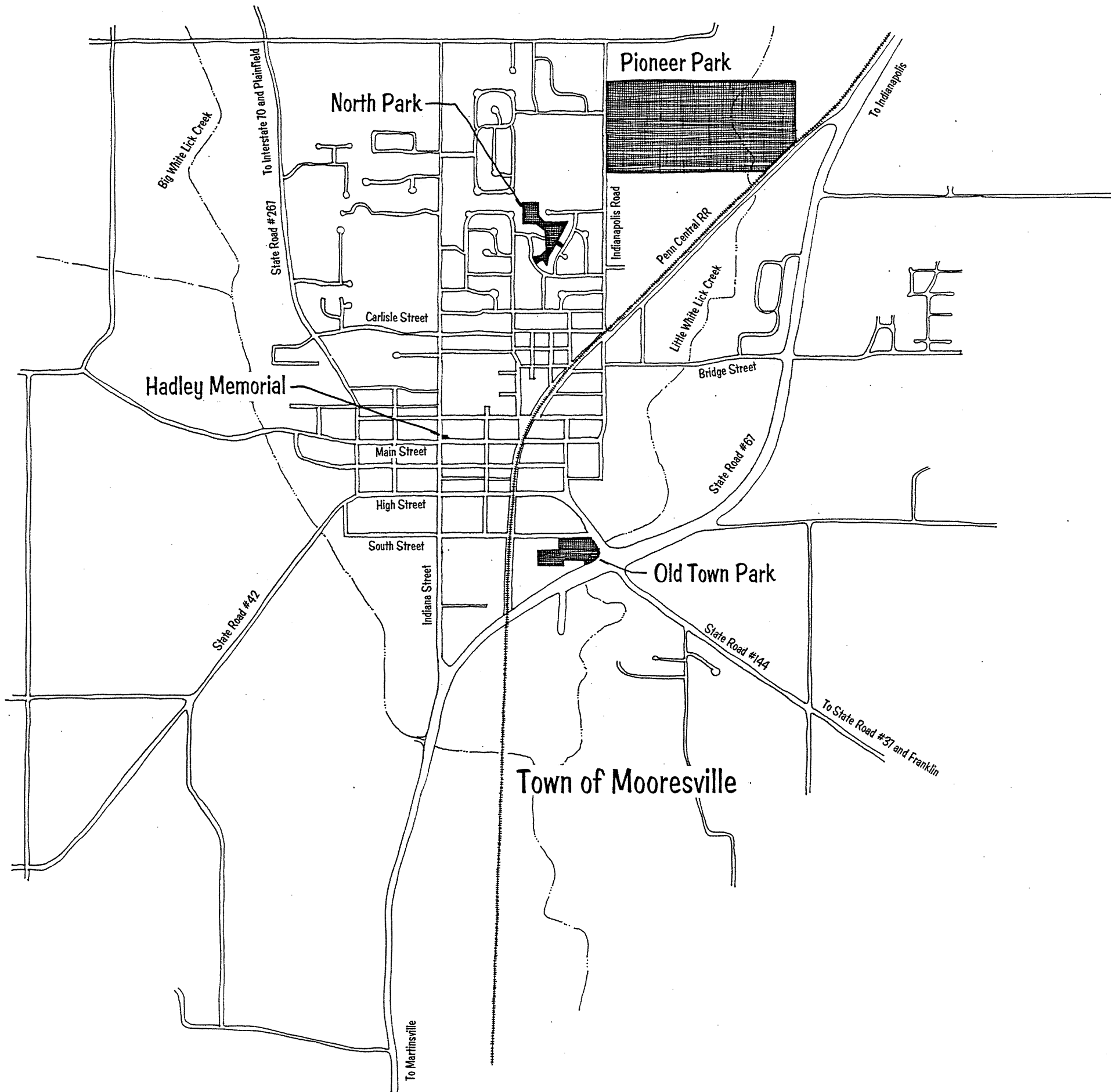


- AG - AGRICULTURE
- R1 - RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE FAMILY
- R2 - RESIDENTIAL - 1,2,3 & 4 FAMILY
- R3 - RESIDENTIAL - MULTIFAMILY 5 OR MORE
- B1 - PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS
- B2 - LOCAL BUSINESS
- B3 - GENERAL BUSINESS
- I1 - LIGHT INDUSTRIAL
- I2 - MEDIUM INDUSTRIAL
- I3 - HEAVY INDUSTRIAL
- I4 - SPECIAL INDUSTRIAL
- OS - OPEN SPACE
- FP - FLOOD PLAIN
- CORPORATE LIMITS

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## Town's Growth Map



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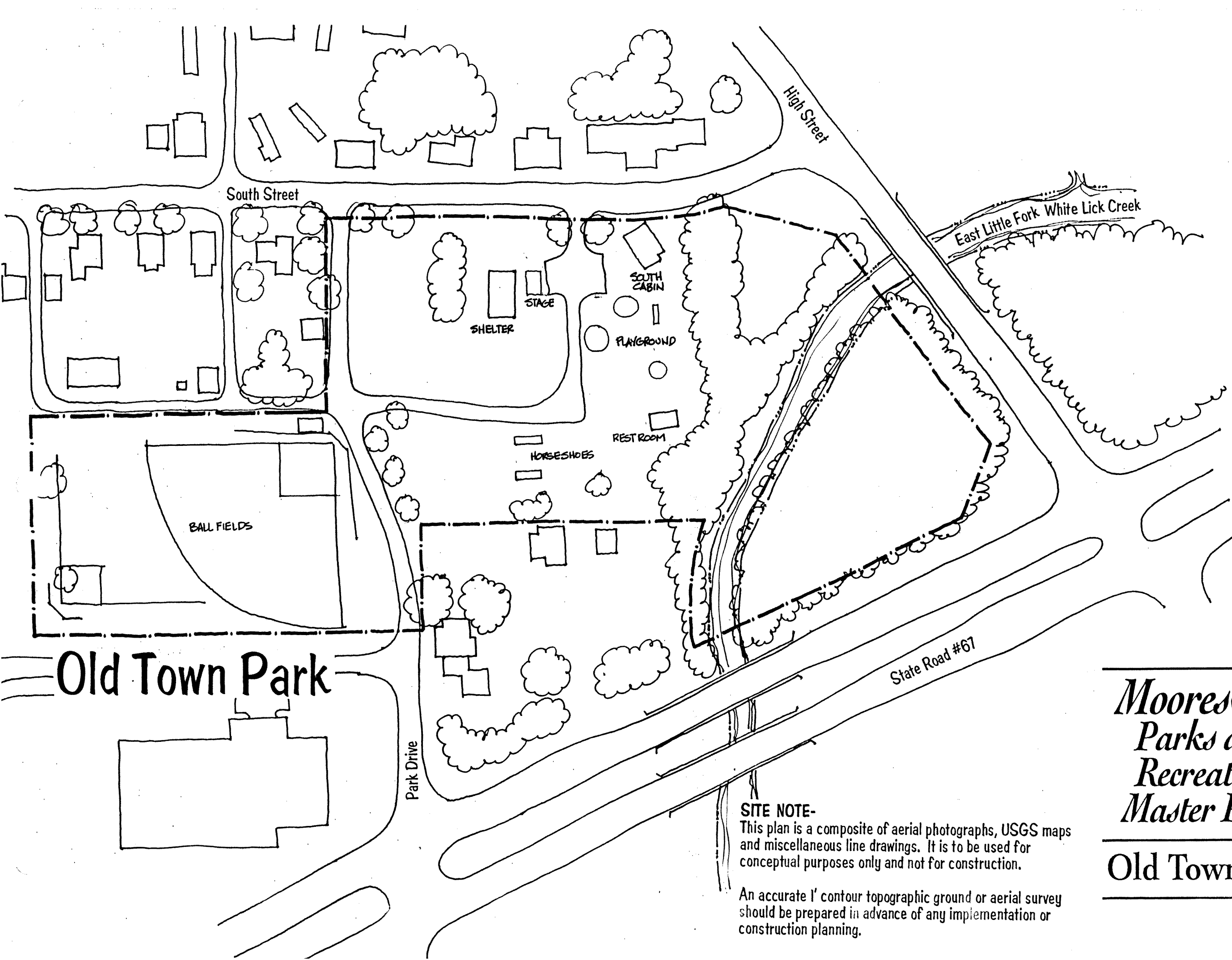
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**Park Locations Map**





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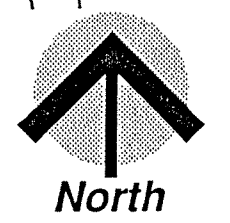
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## Old Town Park Site Plan

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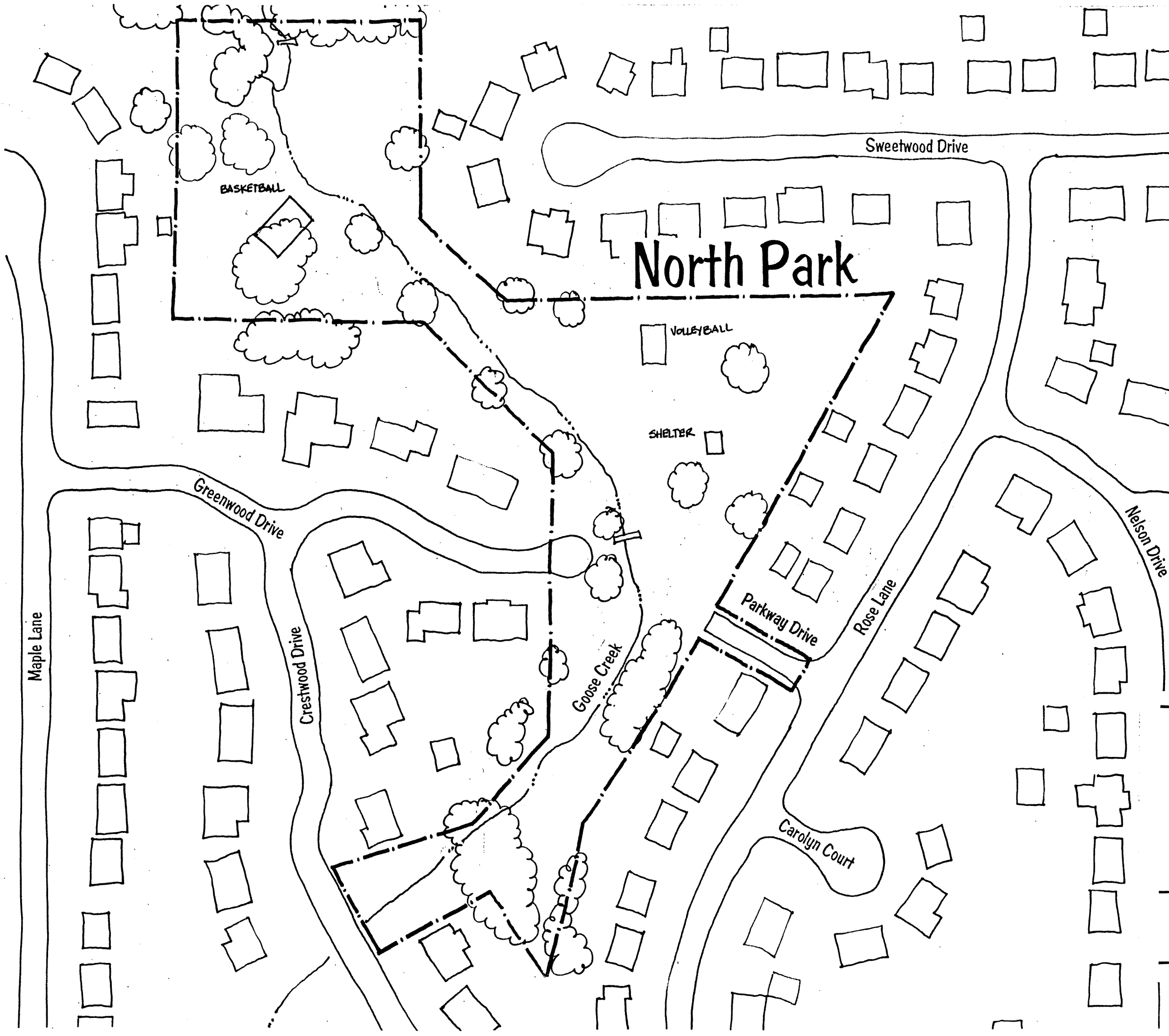


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**North Park Site Plan**

Maintenance/Office Facility

Swimming Pool Complex

Ball Fields

Ball Fields

East Little Fork White Lick Creek

Penn Central Railroad

Indianapolis Road

# Pioneer Park

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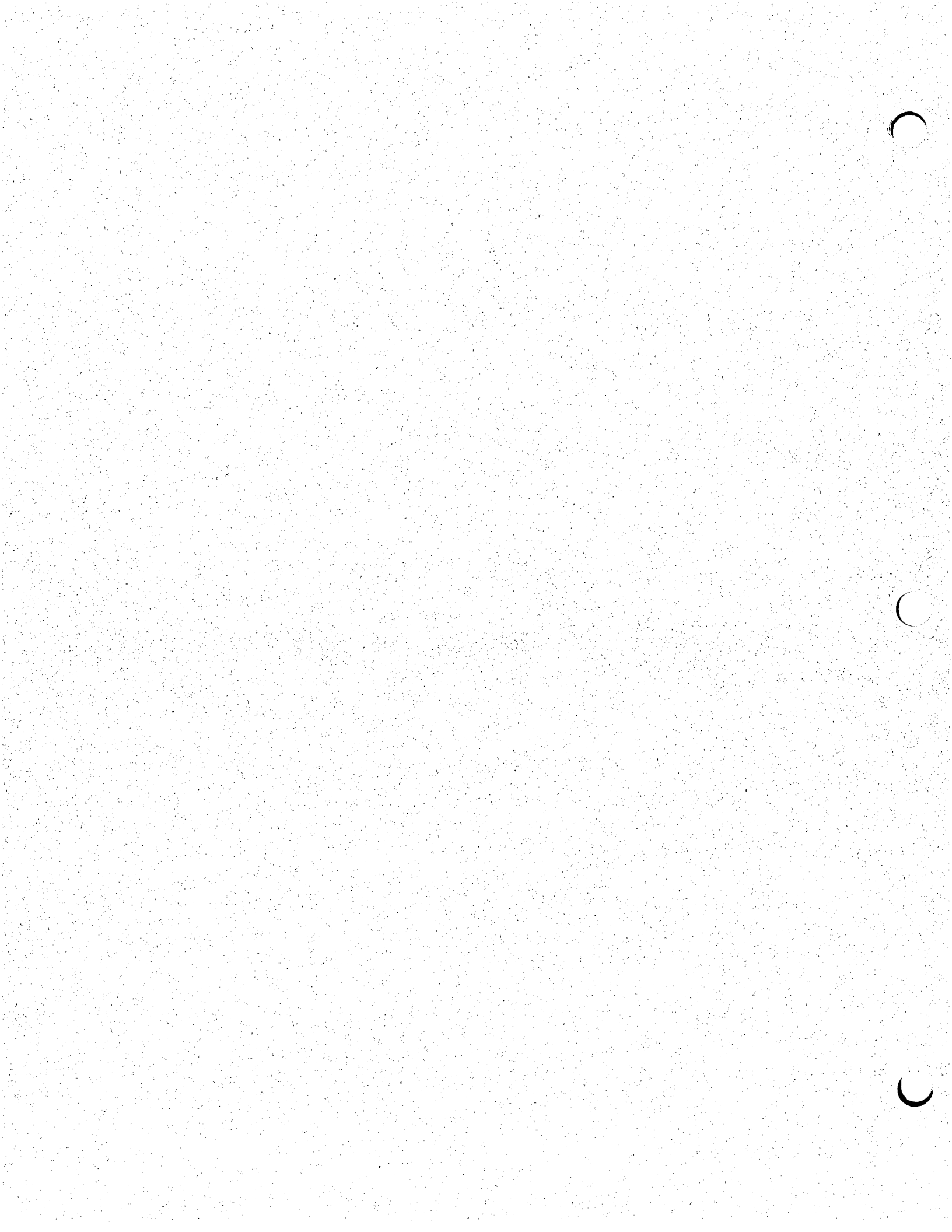
**Pioneer Park Site Plan**

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The image of Mooresville's Parks and Recreation Department is a result of how well its parks and facilities are maintained. Parks are known to be the "welcome mat" of cities and towns. Therefore, a visitor's first impression is critical. Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department is fortunate to have beautiful parks and a maintenance staff and volunteers dedicated to their work and to the Town.

Currently, park maintenance procedures and practices can be summarized as follows:

Maintenance reviews conducted through daily site visits and

- Trash pick up of all parks areas
- Winter snow plowing of all parks as well as some other municipal properties
- Work orders are given by Park Superintendent
- Annual inspections are conducted on all park facilities

It is important that the Maintenance Staff evaluate their role and purpose and make adjustments and develop policies & procedures that will assist in an efficient system to park maintenance. Each maintenance staff member should have a supervisor which assigns and monitors work assignments, etc. It has been demonstrated that an employee given responsibility and authority responds with increased pride in his/her work.

The Mooresville Parks and Recreation Maintenance Division is made up of part time Parks Maintenance staff. The Park Maintenance

staff develops and maintains parks and park facilities.

**PARK MAINTENANCE**

Park Grounds Maintenance involves turf maintenance, tree maintenance, structure maintenance, landscape maintenance and litter control.

- *Turf Maintenance* – includes mowing, trimming, fertilization and chemical application.
- *Tree Maintenance* – includes watering, pruning and insect control.
- *Structural Maintenance* – includes, shelter houses, restroom facilities, playground equipment, fence lines, park trails, bleachers, and parking lots.
- *Equipment Maintenance* – includes trucks, tractors, front-end loader, mowing equipment, and all other mechanical equipment as required.
- *Landscape Maintenance* – includes mulch application, trimming and flower displays throughout the Town.
- *Litter Control* – on all park sites consists of trash barrel collections and hand pick up work.

The following recommendations are based on review of existing maintenance practices and meetings with the

staff. The recommendations are divided into four basic categories for each department:

1. Operations
2. Facilities
3. Equipment
4. Staff

### **OPERATIONS**

The maintenance operations of the Parks Department are in good condition, requiring only a few changes. Recommendations are as follows:

During the public input sessions and planning team meetings there was concern expressed regarding the amount of facilities and manpower to maintain them. To help address these concerns *Work Request* and *Work Order* forms can be used. Samples of the forms have been included for review by the park staff.

It is recommended that an *Operations and Safety Manual* for maintenance practices be developed. Such a manual would provide direction in areas of responsibility and procedures. It would also be an excellent tool for new employee orientation and training.

Additionally, the development of a landscape maintenance program and schedule would help identify what needs to be done, where it should be done, and most importantly, when it should be done and by whom.

The old methods of administrating the operations of the park and recreation department are not as productive and efficient in today's hi-tech age. It is

recommended that Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department consider implementing a computer-based maintenance management program. Goals of such a system would be to ...

1. Facilitate better long and short term park planning and provide for more accurate monitoring of park maintenance activities.
2. Increase the cost effectiveness of maintenance practices and improve maintenance scheduling.
3. Provide management with more accurate and complete information on which to base budgets and make decisions.

A computerized "Parks Maintenance Management System" (as published in Trends by the U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service) includes nine basic components. They are as follows:

- Task Definitions
- Activities
- Inventory
- Accomplishment Units
- Quality Standards
- Service Levels
- Methods and Procedures
- Standard Crew Complement
- Productivity Standards

It is through such a management system that short term planning and resource allocations can be determined along with long term strategic decisions. In the short term it serves as an overall check on performance

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and budget results. Long term it will aid in decision on staffing, equipment purchases, budget forecasting, etc.

It is recommended that Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department investigate the possibility of computerizing its maintenance operations.

### **FACILITIES**

The facilities in the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department are in various stages of maintenance attention. In general, and over time, all of the park facilities will require an upgrade. In order to implement an upgrade budget resources and needs lists will be required. As a part of the priorities and Action Plan of this study many of these items have been addressed.

Once the facilities have been upgraded to a satisfactory level, it is recommended that a preventative maintenance program be developed and implemented. A building & structure checklist form should be developed and reviewed on an annual basis thus providing time to plan and budget for repairs and renovations. Items in the checklist may include structural conditions, roofing, mechanical systems, plumbing systems, electrical systems, doors, windows, painting, etc.

### **EQUIPMENT**

The Park Department's maintenance vehicles and equipment were found to be in good condition. Vehicle/equipment replacement has

been an on-going program in the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department. It is important to have the proper maintenance equipment and vehicles to complement the staff in its duties and responsibilities.

Due to the fact that some vehicles and equipment are in service longer than their expected life may necessitate a service log system be developed. By tracking the Maintenance and repairs on each vehicle piece of equipment, the replacement program can be better defined. "Trouble" pieces of equipment can be moved up in the replacement program and each piece can be better evaluated to the suitability for the job required.

The specific pieces of equipment or vehicles that will need replacement in the near future have been identified in the Five Year Action Plan.

### **STAFF**

It is good practice to review each new development, facility, or program to determine and anticipate any potential impact it may have on the maintenance staff.

A few recommendations for maintenance staff include:

1. Continuation of staff training and education programs.
2. Development of a staff manual with:
  - staff training
  - operations procedures
  - job descriptions
  - maintenance policies



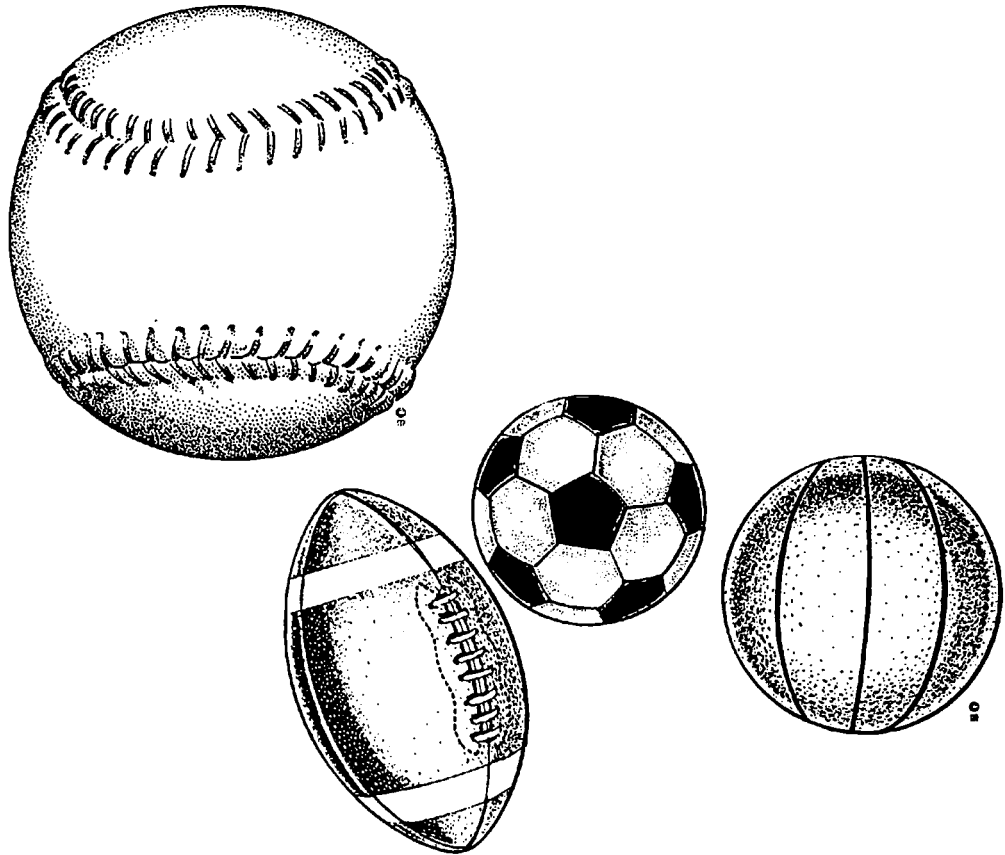


- 3. Training for emergency procedures (When an accident occurs in a park, the maintenance staff is the only park personnel in the area and so should be knowledgeable of first aid emergency procedures.)

### MAINTENANCE WORK FORMS

The following are sample maintenance forms used for Work Requests and Work Orders. A revised version of these forms would be helpful to the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department for processing and tracking its maintenance activities.

Source:  
*Park and Recreation Maintenance Management*  
Robert Sternloff and Roger Warren  
Allyn and Bacon, Inc. 1977



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**SAMPLE WORK REQUEST FORM...**

<b>WORK ORDER REQUEST</b>	<b>METROPOLITAN RECREATION DISTRICT Maintenance Division Repair &amp; Control Section</b>	Dept. No. _____ Control No. _____														
Date _____																
The following work is requested for _____ (Area where work is to be done)																
Requested by: _____ (Name)																
Division: _____ Phone: _____																
Description of Desired Work: _____ _____ _____																
Draw sketches if needed on reverse side of this form.																
Special Instructions: _____ _____																
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### MAINTENANCE INVENTORY

The following is an inventory of the Departmental equipment. This inventory has been included in this Master Plan Update for reference purposes for equipment update decisions, etc.

### Mooresville Maintenance Equipment Schedule

Equipment Item	Year Purchased	Model Year	Life Span	Replacement Cost	Replacement Year
Ford 1/2 ton Pickup	1985	1983	10	\$15,000	1993
Dodge 3/4 ton 4wd Pickup	1989	1990	10	\$18,000	2000
One ton dump truck	1991	1986	10	\$22,000	1996
John Deere 316	1983	1983	10	\$6,000	1993
John Deere 750	1984	1984	10	\$10,000	1994
Simplicity 7114	1982	1982	10	\$6,000	1992
5' Buntion Walkbehind	1986	1975	7	\$3,000	1991
John Deere 935	1987	1987	7	\$13,000	1994
John Deere 935	1989	1989	7	\$14,000	1996
Ford 4600 with loader	1981	1981	15	\$18,000	1996





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In order to update a park and recreation master plan identification of the ISSUES that effect the recreational needs in the future need to be considered.

The Master Planning Team met with the general public on September 16, 1991 to brainstorm on master planning issues. Approximately 25-30 citizens participated. The agenda focused on discussions in six (6) categories:

1. Maintenance
2. Programs / Services
3. Facilities
4. Staff / Personnel
5. Funding
6. Other / Miscellaneous

The results of this public work session were tabulated below. In addition a questionnaire (included in the Appendix of this document) was developed by the Park Department and distributed to community residents. There were approximately 160 responses to the questionnaires. There tabulation has been included this section.

Also meetings were held with the departmental staff for additional input to various issues.

To gain further information on the Issues of the master plan, a Public meeting was held on **DATE HERE** at the Park Department. Approximately **NUMBER HERE** people of the community attended and contributed in identifying Issues for the Master Plan.

The following is a tabulation of the ISSUES taken from "brainstorm" discussions with the Master Planning Committee on September 16th and with a Departmental Staff Work sessions held earlier. These ISSUES have been categorized into six (6) areas.

### **A. Maintenance**

1. Areas behind ball fields in woods – "clean" up for safety, kids – area for nature trails and plant ID.
2. Service club assistance on an annual cleanup day
3. Maintenance of trail requires different equipment

### **B. Facilities**

1. Park land to the east side of town (East of 67) – look at pedestrian circulation
2. Field development in non-flood plain areas/144 area speed concern
3. Concessions development in soccer area
4. Consider land adjacent to Pioneer Park – North 30 areas
5. Land adjacent to Old Town Park – use of
6. More seating around walk, trail
7. Restrooms and drinking fountain available year round



- . 8. More Parking at shelter houses and pool area
- . 9. Archery range?
- . 10. Additional lighting around pool
- . 11. Skate boarding facility – size of tennis court
- . 12. Parking closer to picnic areas along south drive.

**C. Programs/Services**

- . 1. Pool hours for adults only
- . 2. Swimming lessons
- . 3. Cultural activities – arts, music, sculpture, etc.

**D. Staff/Personnel**

**E. Funding**

**F. Other/Miscellaneous**

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***Issues of Consideration***

**Pioneer Park**

- . 1. Fitness Course
- . 2. Additional parking lots
- . 3. Amphitheater development
- . 4. Security lighting
- . 5. Bridge access to back property
- . 6. Expand utility service – electrical and water
- . 7. Additional picnic tables
- . 8. Shelter houses
- . 9. Tennis courts
- . 10. Horseshoe courts
- . 11. Frisbee golf
- . 12. Improve front entry gate
- . 13. Trail improvements
- . 14. Gazebos

- 15. Nature center
- 16. Playground surfacing
- 17. Develop back 25 acres

**North Park**

- 1. Update playground equipment
- 2. Update existing bridge

**Old Town Park**

- 1. Update playground equipment
- 2. Update restrooms
- 3. Update ball fields

**Departmental**

- 1. Additional maintenance equipment
- 2. Additional personnel
- 3. Strengthen ties with schools for programs and facilities
- 4. Community center & gym
- 5. Additional park land in growth areas
- 6. Develop properties to meet user & program needs

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**MOORESVILLE PARK AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE (as prepared by the Park Department)**

The Mooresville Park and Recreation District Serves the 10,049 people that reside in Brown Township and Mooresville Area.

**LEGEND:**

- All percentages given represent the percent answering that item only.
- [ ] denotes written-in items

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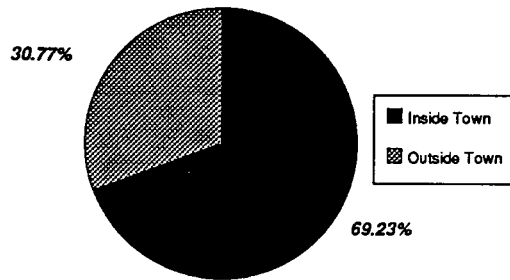
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1. We Live:  
108 (69%) Inside  
48 (31%) Outside

**#1. Do you live inside or outside the District?**

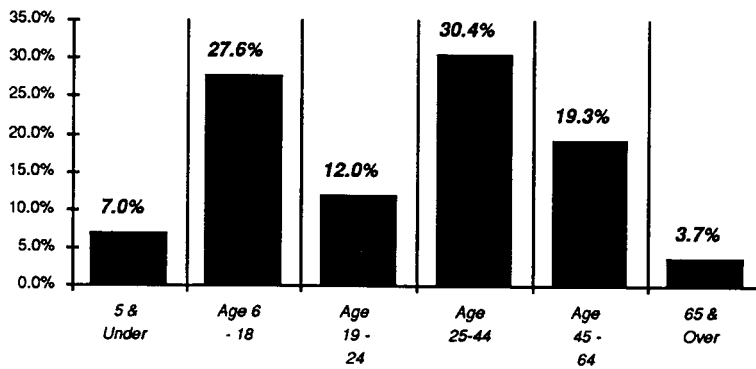
2. We have lived in this area \_\_\_\_\_ years  
 (RESPONSE WAS POOR – NOT TABULATED)

3. Age of person filling out this questionnaire: \_\_\_\_\_  
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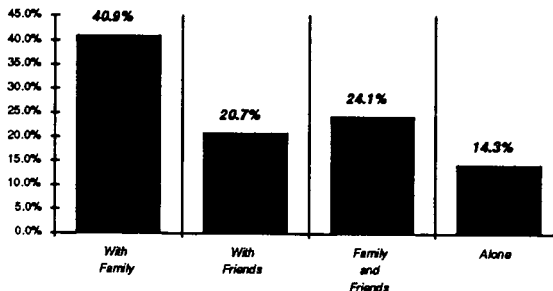
4. The age groups represented in our household are:  
23 (7.0%) 5 & Under                      99 (30.4%) Age 25-44  
90 (27.6%) Age 6 - 18                      63 (19.3%) Age 45 - 64  
39 (12.0%) Age 19 - 24                      12 (3.7%) 65 & Over

**#4. The age groups represented in our household are:**



5. Usually we use the park...  
83 (40.9%) with family  
42 (20.7%) with friends  
49 (24.1%) both  
29 (14.3%) alone

**#5. Usually we use the Parks...**

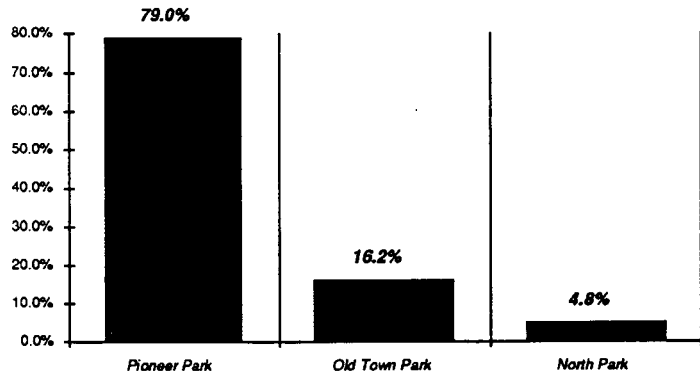


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6. Approximately how many times did you/your family use the park facilities in 1990? \_\_\_\_\_  
(RESPONSE WAS POOR – NOT TABULATED)

7. The park we use most often is:  
132 (79.0%) Pioneer Park  
27 (16.2%) Old Town Park  
8 (4.8%) North Park

#7. The park we use most often is...



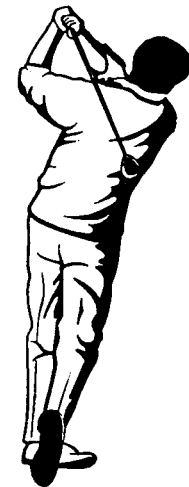
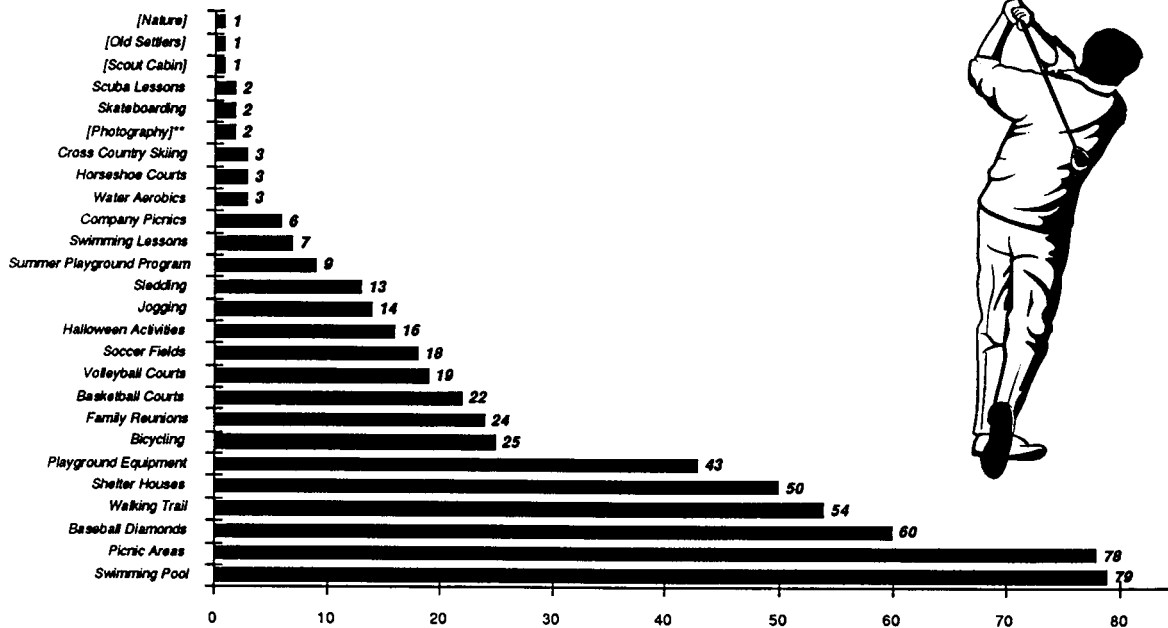
8. The facilities and activities we use/attend most often in the parks are:

- |                                |                                    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <u>78</u> Picnic Areas         | <u>25</u> Bicycling                |
| <u>50</u> Shelter Houses       | <u>24</u> Family Reunions          |
| <u>79</u> Swimming Pool        | <u>6</u> Company Picnics           |
| <u>19</u> Volleyball Courts    | <u>60</u> Baseball Diamonds        |
| <u>18</u> Soccer Fields        | <u>54</u> Walking Trail            |
| <u>43</u> Playground Equipment | <u>3</u> Horseshoe Courts          |
| <u>22</u> Basketball Courts    | <u>9</u> Summer Playground Program |
| <u>7</u> Swimming Lessons      | <u>3</u> Water Aerobics            |
| <u>2</u> Scuba Lessons         | <u>16</u> Halloween Activities     |
| <u>3</u> Cross Country Skiing  | <u>13</u> Sledding                 |
| <u>14</u> Jogging              | <u>2</u> [Photography]             |
| <u>2</u> Skateboarding         | <u>1</u> [Scout Cabin]             |
| <u>1</u> [Old Settlers]        | <u>1</u> [Nature]                  |

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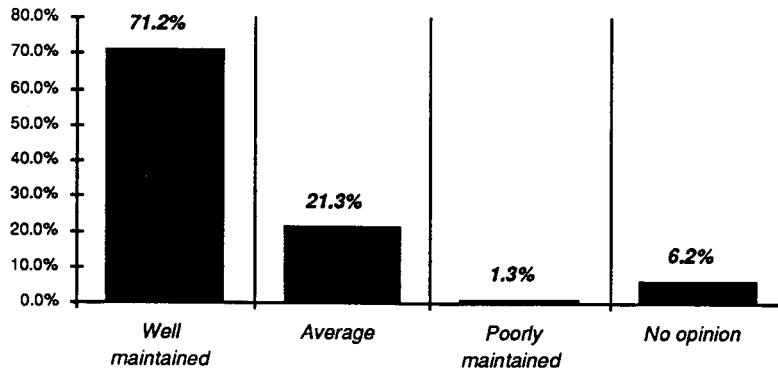
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#8. The facilities & activities we use/attend most often in the parks are...



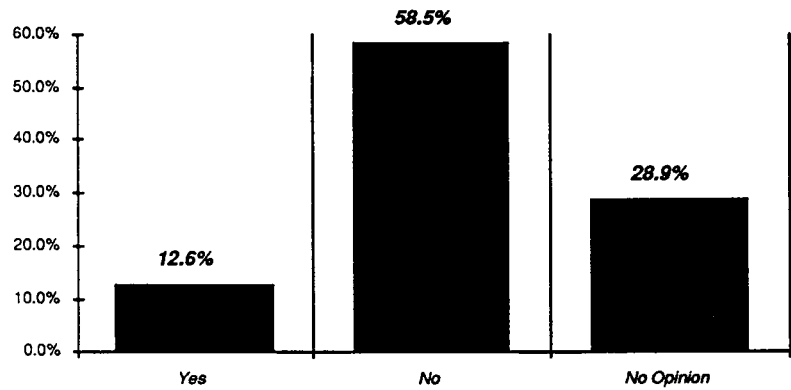
9. Currently Park and Recreation facilities in the parks are:  
 114 (71.2%) – Well maintained      34 (21.3%) – Average  
 2 (1.3%) – Poorly maintained [playgrounds, restrms., mowing at North Pk]  
 10 (6.2%) – No opinion

#9. Currently park & recreation facilities in the parks are...



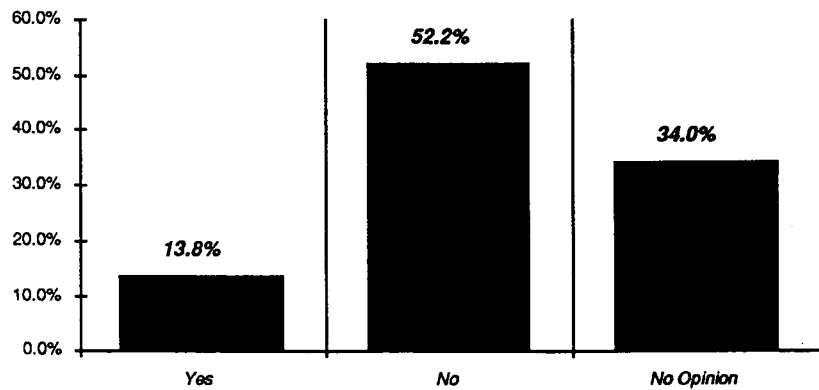
10. The Park and Recreation District should acquire another larger park?  
20 (12.6%) Yes  
93 (58.5%) No  
46 (28.9%) No Opinion

#10. The Park and Recreation District should acquire another larger park?



11. The Park and Recreation District should acquire more small parks?  
22 (13.8%) Yes  
83 (52.2%) No  
54 (34.0%) No Opinion

#11. The Park and Recreation District should acquire more small parks?



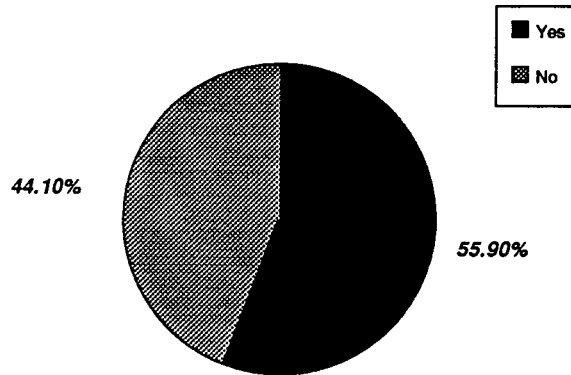
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12. I would like to see Old Settlers Festival moved to Pioneer Park?

90 (55.9%) Yes  
71 (44.1%) No

#12. I would like to see Old Settlers Festival moved to Pioneer Park?

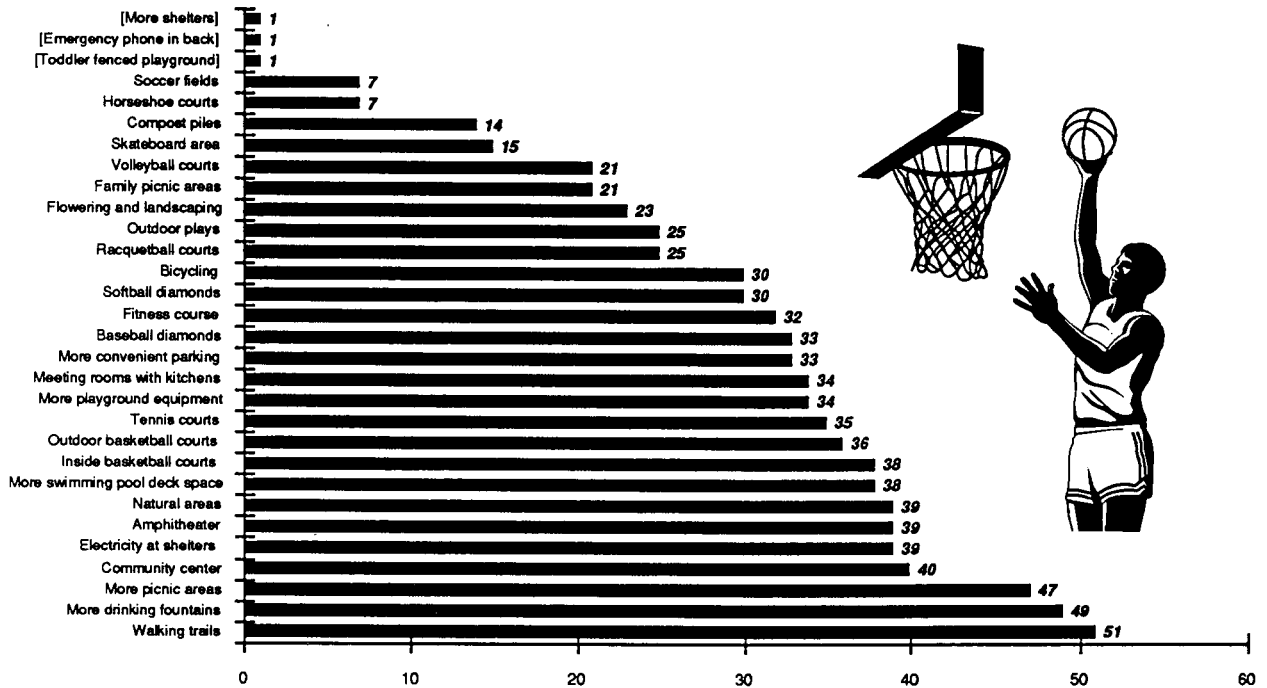


13. We would use the following facilities and activities if they were available (check as many as would apply):

FACILITIES:

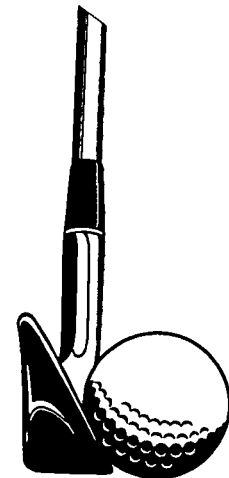
- |                                |                                  |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 47 More picnic areas           | 40 Community center              |
| 36 Outdoor basketball courts   | 7 Soccer fields                  |
| 23 Flowering and landscaping   | 33 Baseball diamonds             |
| 34 More playground equipment   | 21 Volleyball courts             |
| 39 Electricity at shelters     | 39 Amphitheater                  |
| 33 More convenient parking     | 14 Compost piles                 |
| 30 Softball diamonds           | 30 Bicycling                     |
| 25 Racquetball courts          | 25 Outdoor plays                 |
| 35 Tennis courts               | 39 Natural areas                 |
| 21 Family picnic areas         | 15 Skateboard area               |
| 7 Horseshoe courts             | 38 More swimming pool deck space |
| 51 Walking trails              | 49 More drinking fountains       |
| 32 Fitness course              | 38 Inside basketball courts      |
| 34 Meeting rooms with kitchens | 1 [Emergency phone in back]      |
| 1 [Toddler fenced playground]  | 1 [More shelters]                |

#13a. We would use the following facilities if they were available:



PROGRAMS:

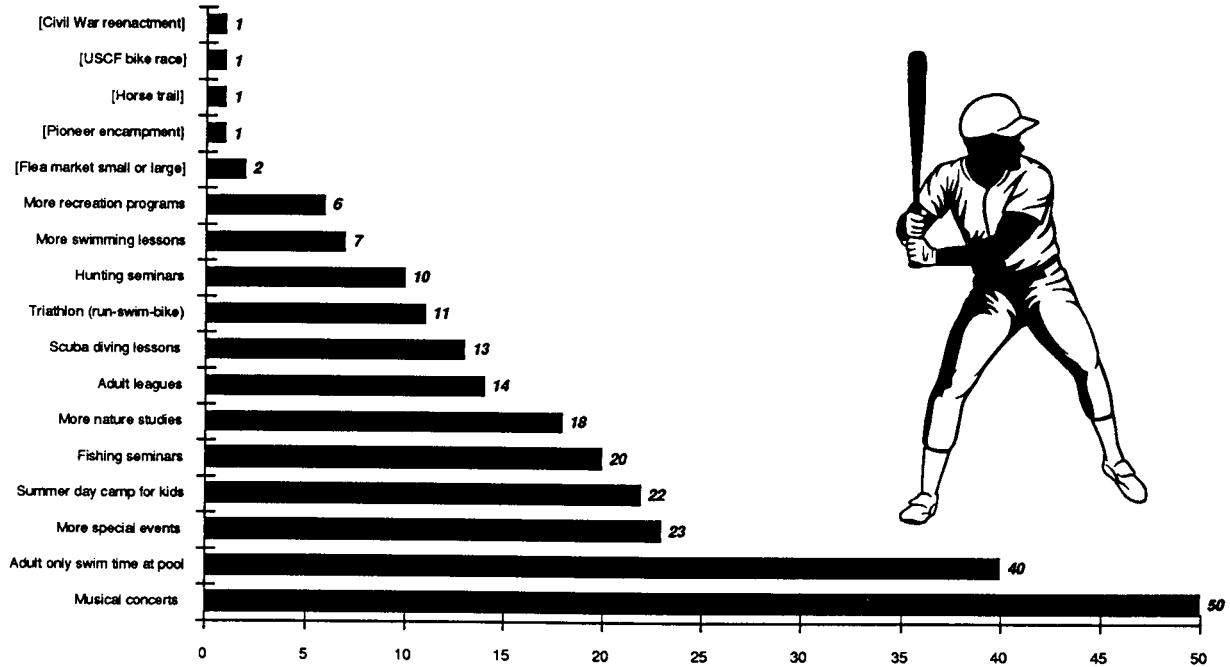
- 14 Adult leagues
- 6 More recreation programs
- 22 Summer day camp for kids
- 23 More special events
- 11 Triathlon (run-swim-bike)
- 7 More swimming lessons
- 40 Adult only swim time at pool
- 18 More nature studies
- 10 Hunting seminars
- 13 Scuba diving lessons
- 50 Musical concerts
- 1 [USCF bike race]
- 20 Fishing seminars
- 2 [Flea market small or large]
- 1 [Pioneer encampment]
- 1 [Civil War reenactment]
- 1 [Horse trail]



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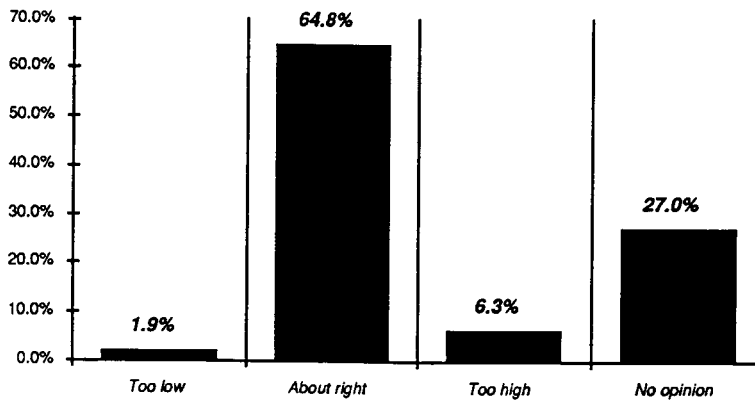
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**#13b. We would use the following activities if they were available:**



14. Current user fees are:
- 3 (1.9%) Too low
  - 103 (64.8%) About right
  - 10 (6.3%) Too high
  - 43 (27.0%) No opinion

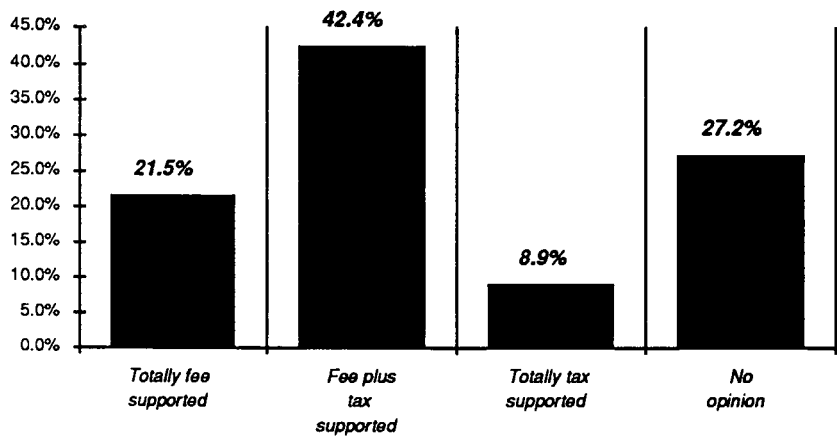
**#14. Current user fees are:**





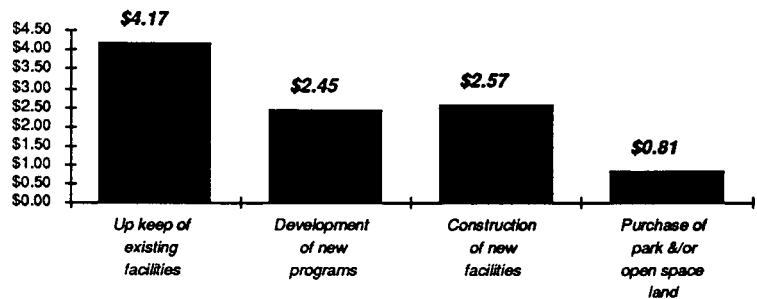
15. New program should be:  
 34 (21.5%) Totally fee supported  
 67 (42.4%) Fee plus tax supported  
 14 (8.9%) Totally tax supported  
 43 (27.2%) No opinion

#15. New programs should be:



16. Show how you feel the Park and Recreation District should spend available tax dollars by indicating how you would divide ten imaginary dollars (\$10) among the four items on our list?
- Up keep of existing facilities ----- \$ 4.17
  - Development of new programs ----- \$ 2.45
  - Construction of new facilities ----- \$ 2.57
  - Purchase of park &/or open space land ----- \$ 0.81
  - TOTALS ----- \$ 10.00

#16. Show how you feel the Park and Recreation District should spend available tax dollars by indicating how you would divide ten imaginary dollars (\$10) among the four items on our list?



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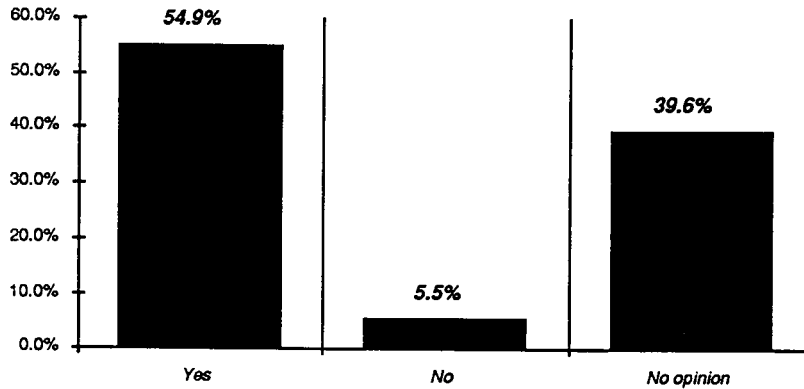
17. I would like to see more open gym time at the schools?

100 (54.9%) Yes

10 (5.5%) No

72 (39.6%) No opinion

#17. I would like to see more open gym time at the schools?



ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

- The grass in the North Park should be cut at least 1 time a week. It should be started before it looks like a hay field. It should also be mowed not just cut in 1/2 hour or less. I feel the job is poorly done now that we have our own park employees. It was better maintained when FFA did the job. It seems that the town has a hard time of working on more than one project at a time. Now that we have Pioneer Park, all the time seems to go into it at the expense of the North Park. I know it is smaller but lots of small children did play in it but now it is a mess, with the draining problem, the grass so tall you miss a small child, etc. Why can't we keep all the parks up equally.

- Park looks good.

- Especially would like to see more open gym time available in the schools.
- Good park, well maintained.
- We need a gym badly.
- Primitive camping areas on the back side of Pioneer Park for Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts and school groups.
- The community desperately needs more available gym space for junior leagues. There also needs to be some sort of programs instated for the 12-18 year olds. This could be done in the form of AAU programs or independent volleyball, basketball, softball leagues.
- A new streamlined gym facility should contain at least 3 courts and be capable of multi-purpose use as a community center.
- Need sidewalks on Indianapolis Road before there is a death people walk or

- . jog on road and makes hikes to the park. Would like to see a sidewalk follow the road around the park. More shelters with better parking. There are picnic tables with signs that say no parking so how do you use the tables. Need more equipment for kids to play on in 2 or 3 different places not just in 1 place more toilets on top by shelters with water fountains by shelters and more flowers by shelters, etc. to make the area look nice.
- . • I would like to see picnic tables scattered around the park with outdoor cooking facilities available.
- . • Swim lessons should be structured to provide make-up days in case of inclement weather.
- . • Include big-wheel races or children's races with bicycling events.
- . • We need another movie theater with 3 or 4 movies at once for a bigger option of what different age groups want to see and watch. I think it would be a pretty big success.
- . • I would like to see some outdoor picnic tables at the public library and more convenient parking at 6:00 a.m. for joggers at Pioneer Park. I quit jogging there because of the parking and because since the lots were chained off I didn't feel as safe. When I used to jog there the Mooresville Police Department drove thru the lot twice each morning while I was there and that made me feel secure. I know this would be difficult to grant because of the new pool, but you said to be frank and I love racquetball.
- . • Swimming pool in the high school. (3 times)
- . • For folks that pay tax in this city most

services should be free for those outside the city there should be a user fee of some type.

- I think that the Park Board has upgraded a lot. You seem to have very good control at the swimming pool. Keep up the good work.
- We need a pool and lessons at the Jr. High or High School.
- I would very much like to see adult only swimming time.
- I put average on maintenance because of the condition of Old Town Park. It has really gone downhill in the last couple years the playground equipment has much to be desired.
- I would love to see old settlers moved to Pioneer Park. I would see it as greatly expanding of the event, although everyone goes now to begin with. I still respect the traditional aspect of keeping it at the old park but it has become way to little since our community has expanded.
- With our growing community having activities that encourage fitness and organized sports can only enhance our goal to be a well rounded and family oriented township. Programs that would allow area residents to be able to stay within our community will only help Mooresville to become a financially area. It would be great not to have to travel outside the area.
- Put skate park in.
- We have used the shelters in the Pioneer Park for some years. It would be very nice to see some small shelters erected on the south side of the park. There are some really pretty areas there. Also electricity would be



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nice for coffee makers, hot dishes, etc.

- I think more advertised activities should be promoted in the park. People would be more willing to put money into the park if they were getting more out of it. We need things for people of all ages. I don't think there are enough things geared to older people. If Old Settlers was held at Pioneer Park I think it would make to big of a mess. Such as when it rains.

- Good idea commendations to those concerned about our kids and adults.

- Park Department and Board are to be commended for efforts to develop programs and facilities that will benefit the community.

- I'm a woman and I would like to play basketball with other women or coed and not be embarrassed. Just shoot around not a hard running game.

- I live in Monrovia but work in Mooresville. I never go the new park and only to the Old Town Park at Old Settlers.

- The parks are appreciated by the community. My family has really used the facilities.

- The trees in the park need to be pruned. They have been neglected for years. We would have many beautiful shade trees if this had been done all these years. But it isn't too late to state now. Plant flowers would add a lot. The park is basically neat and clean and I appreciate that.

- Plans should be formulated for swimming 360 days and evening per

year means building roof and walls for winter swimming.

- We need access to indoor walking facilities in the afternoon during the cold months of the year.

- How about more public use of the auditorium.

- What does more open time for the gym at school have to do with the park facilities.

**Park Standards and Needs**

In order to evaluate the existing and to forecast the future park and recreation needs of a community, "standards" should be used as guidelines. These standards are to be considered minimums in assessing the recreational needs of the community. The standards typically relate to acreage and populations being served (not necessarily the ages of the population or the level of incomes, etc.) These standards form a base line from which need-analysis can be performed. While these standards are national standards they do not always relate to the reality of the local community's situation. The analysis of this study will utilize the national standards but will relate the analysis with the local community situations in mind.

## Park – Classifications

Within a park system there exists many different types of park facilities, sized to serve various populations. Within these varied facilities many different programs and functions can take place. The park system needs to have and maintain a variety for a balanced park and recreation program.

The Town of Mooresville has primarily four (4) classifications of parks within its system. They are: 1) Community Parks, 2) Neighborhood Parks, 3) Block Parks, and 4) Special Recreational Areas. Authorities have differed on the ratio between acres and populations served for the various park classifications.

The standards from Purdue University will be used as a part of this study's analysis. These standards have been used and proven realistic throughout the State of Indiana. The various park classifications are listed and further defined as follows:

### COMMUNITY PARK STANDARDS ...

<b>Size</b>	Minimum of 10 acres and ideally would contain 35 – 70 acres. 7.0 acres per 1,000 persons.		
<b>Service</b>	People served through this park would be between 5,000 – 10,000. Access to this park via biking or driving to serve the entire city. 1-1/2 to 3 mile service radius.		
<b>Purpose</b>	To provide an activity dominated recreation area with moderate amount of managed undeveloped land that draws from a community-wide service area.		
<b>Characteristics</b>	Variety of land forms Moderate slopes Tree cover High use capacity Good drainage capabilities		
<b>Conceptual Development</b>	30 – 50% =	Active recreation uses	
	23 – 40% =	Passive recreation uses	
	10 – 20% =	Special facilities uses	
	10 – 20% =	Undeveloped areas	
<b>Typical Facilities</b>	Playfield	Playground	Court Games
	Open Play Areas	Picnicking	Fishing
	Arboretum	Golfing	Winter Sports
	Swimming Pool	Community Center	Wooded Areas
	Trails		

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#### **NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS STANDARDS ...**

<b>Size</b>	The size of a Neighborhood Park would be 4 – 15 acres or 3.0 acres per 1,000 persons		
<b>Service Area</b>	People served through this park would be between 4,000 – 5,000. Access to this park would primarily be foot traffic. A service radius of 1/2 to 1-1/2 miles should be considered.		
<b>Purpose</b>	To provide group activities, individual-oriented activities and passive recreational facilities for all age groups within walking distance of urban neighborhood residents.		
<b>Characteristics</b>	Two types of neighborhood parks are common: School-Park Site and Standard Neighborhood Park. These two parks both meet the recreational needs of the neighborhoods. The Park-School facility provides the highest recreational potential and the most efficient use of the land and widest scope of recreational opportunities.		
<b>Other Characteristics</b>	High use capacity and accessibility Relatively flat land with good drainage Intensive development of park areas Development in conjunction with schools where possible		
<b>Conceptual Development</b>	40 – 80% = Active recreational uses 10 – 30% = Passive recreation uses 0 – 5% = Undeveloped areas		
<b>Typical Facilities</b>	Playground Neighborhood Activities Open Play Areas	Playfields Swimming Pool Center	Court Games Sitting Areas

#### **BLOCK PARKS (Tot-Lots, Vest Pocket Park) STANDARDS ...**

<b>Size</b>	Minimum of 1 acre and ideally would contain 1 – 5 acres or 1/2 acre per 1,000 persons		
<b>Service Area</b>	People served through this park would be between 500 – 2,500.		
<b>Purpose</b>	To provide limited recreational and sitting areas in a small scale park setting for sub-neighborhood area		
<b>Characteristics</b>	High use capacity and accessibility Facilities requiring small tracts of land for development Flat land and good drainage characteristics Few barriers to walking access		
<b>Conceptual Development</b>	60 – 100% = Active Recreational Uses 10 – 20% = Passive Recreation Uses 0% = Undeveloped Land		
<b>Typical Facilities</b>	Playgrounds Small Court Areas	Shelter Tot-Lots	

**SPECIAL RECREATION AREA STANDARDS ...**

<b>Size</b>	Varies, can range from 5,000 square feet to several acres in size
<b>Service Area</b>	Community-wide.
<b>Purpose</b>	To provide preservation and public access to significant points of interest to the community.
<b>Characteristics</b>	Presence of significant community features Historical, cultural and ecological interests
<b>Typical Facilities</b>	Historical or cultural sites Monuments Wooded educational sites Natural areas Single use or purpose facilities Small urban parks that provide passive and relaxing areas of green within the urban fabric

**RECREATION STANDARDS: POPULATION RATIO METHOD  
BY CLASSIFICATION AND POPULATION RATIO**

Classification	Acres per 1,000 people	Size Range	Population Served	Service Area
Playlots	*	2,500 sq.ft. to one acre	500 – 2,500	Subneighborhood
Vest Pockets Parks	*	2,500 sq.ft. to one acre	500 – 2,500	Subneighborhood
Neighborhood Parks	2.5	Min. of 5 acres up to 20 acres	2,000 – 10,000	1/4 to 1/2 mile
District Parks	2.5	20 – 100 acres	10,000 – 50,000	1/2 to 3 miles
Large Urban Parks	5.0	100+ acres	One for each 50,000	Within 1/2 hr. driving time
Regional Parks	20.0	250+ acres	Serves entire population in smaller communities; should be distributed throughout larger metro areas.	Within 1 hr. driving time
Special Areas and Facilities	*	Includes parkways, beaches, plazas, historical sites, flood plains, downtown malls, and small parks, tree lawns, etc. <i>No Standard is applicable.</i>		

\* = not applicable

(Source: *Recreation Planning and Design* by Seymour M. Gold, 1980 McGraw-Hill, Inc., Appendix to the book)

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#### RECREATION STANDARDS: POPULATION RATIO METHOD SPACE STANDARDS FOR **DISTRICT OR COMMUNITY PARKS**

(Suggested space standards for various units within the park. The minimum size is 20 acres.)

Facility or Unit	Area in Acres	
	Park Adjoining School	Separate Park
Play apparatus area – preschool	.35	.35
Play apparatus area – older children	.35	.35
Paved multipurpose courts	1.25	1.75
Tennis complex	1.00	1.00
Recreation center building	*	1.00
Sport fields	1.00	10.00
Senior Citizens' area	1.90	1.90
Open or "free play" area	2.00	2.00
Archery range	.75	.75
Swimming pool	1.00	1.00
Outdoor theatre	.50	.50
Ice rink (artificial)	1.00	1.00
Family picnic area	2.00	2.00
Outdoor classroom area	1.00	1.00
Golf practice hole	*	.75
Off-street parking	1.50	3.00**
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>15.60</b>	<b>28.35</b>
Landscaping (buffer and special areas)	3.00	6.00
Undesignated space (10%)	1.86	3.43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20.46</b>	<b>37.78</b>

\* = Provided by Jr. or Sr. high school

\*\* = Based on 330 cars @ 400 sq. ft. per car

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**RECREATION STANDARDS: POPULATION RATIO METHOD  
SPACE STANDARDS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS**

(Suggested space standards for various units within the park. The minimum size is 5 acres.)

Facility or Unit	Area in Acres	
	Park Adjoining School	Separate Park
Play apparatus area – preschool	.25	.25
Play apparatus area – older children	.25	.25
Paved multipurpose courts	.50	.50
Recreation center building	*	.25
Sport fields	*	5.00
Senior Citizens' area	.50	.50
Quiet areas and outdoor classrooms	1.00	1.00
Open or "free play" area	.50	.50
Family picnic area	1.00	1.00
Off-street parking	*	2.30**
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>4.00</b>	<b>11.55</b>
Landscaping (buffer and special areas)	2.50	3.00
Undesignated space (10%)	.65	1.45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7.15</b>	<b>16.00</b>

\* = Provided by elementary school

\*\* = Based on 25 cars @ 400 sq. ft. per car

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**RECREATION STANDARDS: POPULATION RATIO METHOD  
SPACE STANDARDS FOR SPECIAL FACILITIES**

Facility (outdoor)	Standard / 1,000 people	Comments
Baseball diamonds	1 per 6,000	Regulation 90 ft.
Softball diamonds (and/or youth diamonds)	1 per 3,000	
Tennis courts	1 per 2,000	Best in battery of 4
Basketball courts	1 per 500	
Swimming pools – 25m	1 per 10,000	Based on 15 sq. ft. of water for each 3% of population.
Swimming pools – 50m	1 per 20,000	Based on 15 sq. ft. of water for each 3% of population.
Skating rinks (artificial)	1 per 30,000	
Neighborhood centers	1 per 10,000	
Outdoor theatres (non commercial)	1 per 20,000	
Shooting ranges	1 per 50,000	Complete complex including high - power, small-bore, trap and skeet, field archery, etc.
Golf courses (18 hole)	1 per 25,000	

*Note: All of the above mentioned facilities are desirable in small communities, even though their population may actually be less than the standard. Every effort should be made to light all facilities for night use, thus extending their utility.*

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## Park Type and Park Acres

The Mooresville Park System is made up of parks categorized into the "community", "neighborhood", and "block" park types. There are no "special" park types in the system unless one would consider the Hadley Memorial to be a "special" park type and not a "block" category.

These distinctions, along with their related acreages, are noted in the following table.

PARK	ACRES	PARK TYPE
Pioneer Park	104 acres	Community Park Type
Old Town Park	7 acres	Neighborhood Park Type
North Park	5 acres	Neighborhood Park Type
Hadley Memorial	0.25 acres	Block Park Type
	116.25 acres total	

The following table is the *Park Standards for Site Acreage and Type* for Mooresville Park District. This table forecasts park acreage needs by type based on population standards per park type. The table analyzes both the National Standards (NRPA) for acres per park type and the Mooresville Standards (Adopted by the Mooresville Park Board) for the same. The data is analyzed on 1991 and 1996 populations. Using the Mooresville Park Standards there will be a shortage of park land forecasted in 1996 as indicated in the table below and the following charts.

### PARK STANDARDS FOR SITE ACREAGE AND TYPE

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#### Standards as per the National Recreation and Park Association

Standards Used	Developed Current Acres	Standards for 1991 Population	Standards for 1996 Population	1996 Over / (Under)
Community Park Acres (7/1,000)	104.00	70.88	73.62	30.38
Neighborhood Park Acres (3/1,000)	12.00	30.38	31.55	(19.55)
Block Park Acres (0.5/1,000)	0.25	5.06	5.26	(5.01)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>116.25</b>	<b>106.32</b>	<b>110.43</b>	<b>5.82</b>

Population Estimates and Projections      10,126      10,517

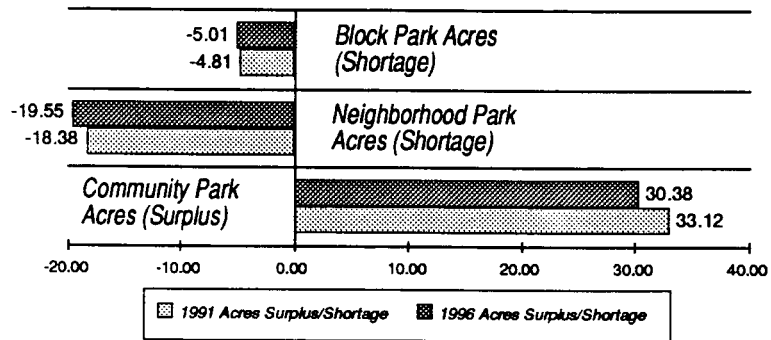
#### Standards as per the Mooresville Park and Recreation Board

Standards Used	Developed Current Acres	Standards for 1991 Population	Standards for 1996 Population	1996 Over / (Under)
Community Park Acres (14/1,000)	104.00	141.76	147.24	(43.24)
Neighborhood Park Acres (3/1,000)	12.00	30.38	31.55	(19.55)
Block Park Acres (0.5/1,000)	0.25	5.06	5.26	(5.01)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>116.25</b>	<b>177.21</b>	<b>184.05</b>	<b>(67.80)</b>

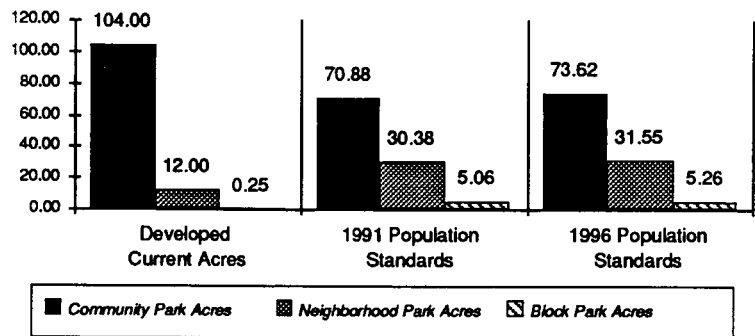
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ACREAGE NEEDS BASED ON NATIONAL STANDARDS

**Mooresville Park Type Acres Shortage or Surplus for 1991 and 1996 (National Standards)**



**Mooresville Park Acreage Needs for 1991 and 1996 based on Current Development Acres (National Standards)**

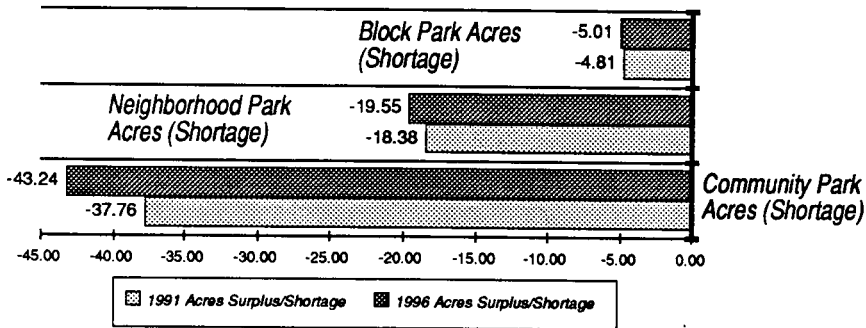


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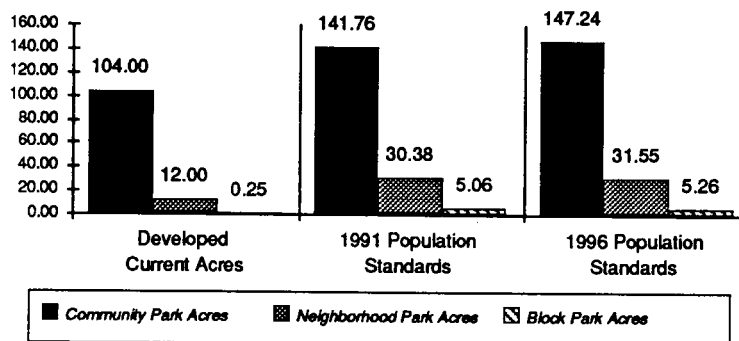
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**ACREAGE NEEDS BASED ON MOORESVILLE STANDARDS**

**Mooresville Park Type Acres Shortage or Surplus for 1991 and 1996 (Mooresville Standards)**



**Mooresville Park Acreage Needs for 1991 and 1996 based on Current Development Acres (Mooresville Standards)**

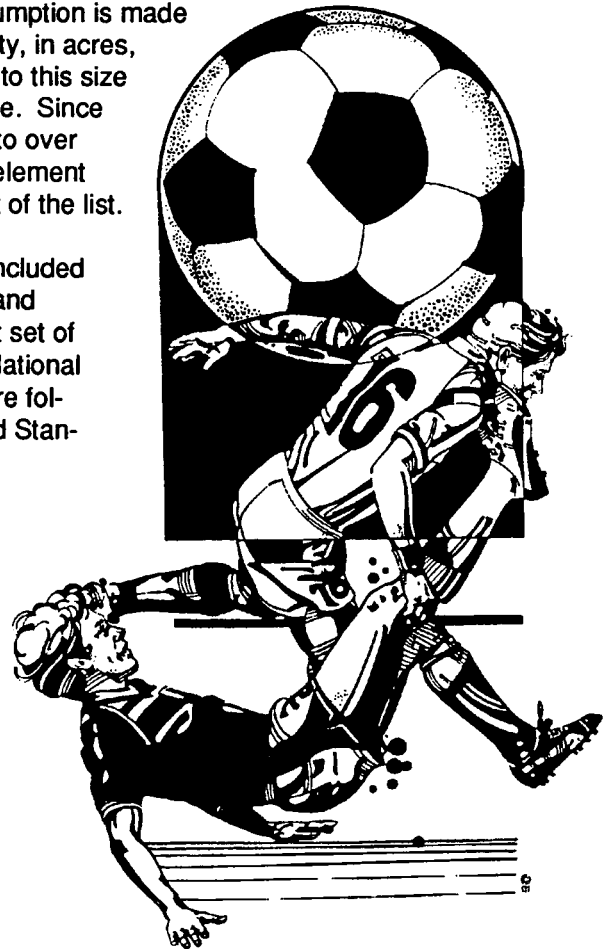


## **Mooresville Facilities and Acreage Needs for Recreation**

The Mooresville Park Board adopted a variance in Facility Needs Standards from that of the National Park Standards. These adopted standards have been used in Mooresville and have proven realistic for this community. The following table, *Park System Analysis – Facility Needs*, examines the Facility needs for the years 1991 and 1996.

Based on the preceding table certain recreational facilities are needed to meet various populations. An analysis was done to determine the size of the recreational facility to better facilitate its location in an existing park site or new park site. This analysis is summarized in the table, *Acreage Needs for Recreation Facilities*. An assumption is made on the size of the recreation facility, in acres, and a 15% contingency is added to this size for facility support and open space. Since a golf course facility can take up to over 100 acres in size this recreation element has been separated from the rest of the list.

For a comparison, we have included both sets of Standards, NRPA's and Mooresville Park Board. The first set of tables and charts represent the National Park Standards (NRPA). They are followed by the Mooresville Adopted Standards.



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#### **PARK SYSTEM ANALYSIS — FACILITY NEEDS**

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FACILITIES	National Standards*	Facilities Current***	1991 Needs	1996 Needs	1996 Over/(Under)
Baseball Diamonds	1/6000	11	2	2	9
Softball Diamonds	1/3000	4	3	4	0
Soccer Fields	1/2000	3	5	5	(2)
Tennis Courts	1/2000	7	5	5	2
Basketball Courts	1/500	13	20	21	(8)
Swimming Pools 50m	1/20000	1	1	1	0
Skating Rinks (artificial)	1/30000	0	0	0	0
Neighborhood Centers	1/10000	0	1	1	(1)
Golf Courses	1/25000	0	0	0	0

\* Standards as per the Nation Recreation and Park Association

\*\*\* Current facilities include those of Mooresville School Facilities

National Standards

#### **ACREAGE NEEDS FOR RECREATION FACILITIES**

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**NATIONAL STANDARDS USED...**

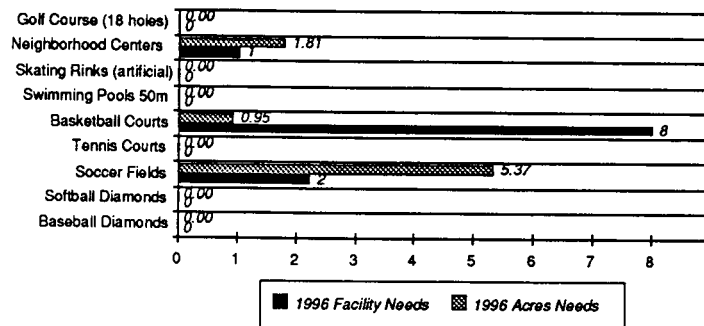
FACILITIES	Acres required for facility	15% Contingency	1996 Facility Needs	1996 Acres Needs
Baseball Diamonds	3.23	3.71	0	0.00
Softball Diamonds	1.74	2.00	0	0.00
Soccer Fields	2.07	2.38	2	5.37
Tennis Courts	0.17	0.19	0	0.00
Basketball Courts	0.10	0.12	8	0.95
Swimming Pools 50m	1.00	1.15	0	0.00
Skating Rinks (artificial)	1.00	1.15	0	0.00
Neighborhood Centers	1.50	1.73	1	1.81
Golf Course (18 holes)	130.00	149.50	0	0.00

Total acres needed for facilities = 8.13

**NOTES ...**

- The analysis above assumes general size standards of the facilities mention.
- It also factors in 15% additional land space for the facility's supportive elements.

**Mooresville Park Facility Needs and Acres Needs for 1996 based on Current Development Acres (National Standards)**



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**PARK SYSTEM ANALYSIS — FACILITY NEEDS**

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*"Needs" based upon population projections . . . . . 10,126 10,517*

	<b>Mooresville Standards**</b>	<b>Facilities Current***</b>	<b>1991 Needs</b>	<b>1996 Needs</b>	<b>1996 Over/(Under)</b>
Baseball Diamonds	1/1000	11	10	11	0
Softball Diamonds	1/1500	4	7	7	(3)
Soccer Fields	1/1500	3	7	7	(4)
Tennis Courts	1/1000	7	10	11	(4)
Basketball Courts	1/500	13	20	21	(8)
Swimming Pools 50m	1/20000	1	1	1	0
Skating Rinks (artificial)	1/30000	0	0	0	0
Neighborhood Centers	1/10000	0	1	1	(1)
Golf Courses	1/25000	0	0	0	0

*\*\* Standards adopted by the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Board*

*\*\*\* Current facilities include those of Mooresville School Facilities*

**ACREAGE NEEDS FOR RECREATION FACILITIES**

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**MOORESVILLE STANDARDS USED...**

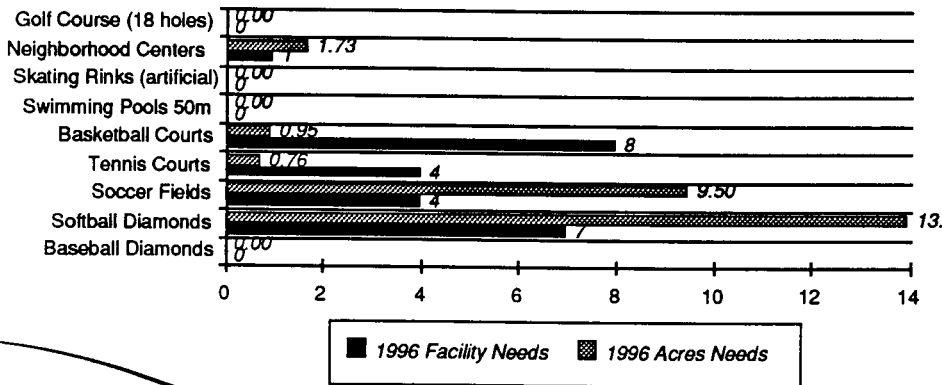
<b>FACILITIES</b>	<b>Acres required for facility</b>	<b>15% Contingency</b>	<b>1996 Facility Needs</b>	<b>1996 Acres Needs</b>
Baseball Diamonds	3.23	3.71	0	0.00
Softball Diamonds	1.74	2.00	7	13.98
Soccer Fields	2.07	2.38	4	9.50
Tennis Courts	0.17	0.19	4	0.76
Basketball Courts	0.10	0.12	8	0.95
Swimming Pools 50m	1.00	1.15	0	0.00
Skating Rinks (artificial)	1.00	1.15	0	0.00
Neighborhood Centers	1.50	1.73	1	1.73
Golf Course (18 holes)	130.00	149.50	0	0.00

*Total acres needed for facilities = 26.92*

**NOTES ...**

- The analysis above assumes general size standards of the facilities mention.*
- It also factors in 15% additional land space for the facility's supportive elements.*

**Mooresville Park Facility Needs and Acres Needs for 1996 based on Current Development Acres (Mooresville Standards)**



**Summary of the Future Park Acres and Facility Needs**

From the previous analysis, and the standards adopted by the Park Board, Mooresville in the year 1996 will need the following:

**ACRES**

- 67.80 total acres of additional park land as broken down below...
- 43.24 acres of Community Type Park Land
- 19.55 acres of Neighborhood Type Park Land
- 5.01 acres of Block Type Park Land

**FACILITIES**

- 3 softball fields (13.98 acres)
- 4 soccer fields (9.5 acres)
- 4 tennis courts (0.76 acres)
- 8 basketball courts (0.95 acres)
- 1 neighborhood center (1.73 acres)
- total of 26.16 acres of park land will be needed for facility development



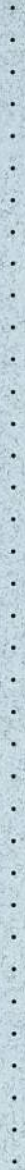




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After careful analysis of the issues identified by the Mooresville Park and Recreation Board and Staff, as well as the public through a questionnaire, the planning team has marked the issues by category. Each issue has been assigned a level of priority according to the following factors:

1. Financial Feasibility
2. Available Manpower
3. Existing Facilities
4. Need and Overall Impact on the Town
5. Practicality

### Priority Ratings

Once these factors were applied to each issue, the issues were assigned to one of the three priority levels:

**Priority "A" ... of PRIMARY** concern and feasible to implement in the next five (5) years.

**Priority "B" ... of SECONDARY** concern, but still feasible to implement in the next five (5) years.

**Priority "C" ...** may be of primary or secondary concern, but the feasibility of the project is **QUESTIONABLE** during the next five (5) years.

The Action Plan of this document addressed the implementation and projected schedule for completion.

### State Planning Priorities-The Tie-In

The State of Indiana has adopted state wide plan priorities that are recommended for development over the period of its current Outdoor Recreation Plan – 1989. The State's Priorities are based upon the overall objectives of providing for a wide range of recreational opportunities and experiences that will reinforce positive social and cultural values. These opportunities should be available to enrich the lives of all of Indiana's residents and visitors.

By identifying priorities and opportunities that relate directly to one or more of these State Priorities the Town of Mooresville's position is enhanced when competing for Federal and State funding programs.

The State Priorities noted in **Bold/Italic** reflect the goals and opportunities closely parallel to the Mooresville Park and Recreation Department Goals and Objectives, as well as their current program.



**1989 Indiana Outdoor Recreation Plan**

**A. ISSUES, NEEDS AND PRIORITIES:**

1. Maintain and improve Indiana's air, land, and water quality.

**B. NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES: PROTECTING AND CONSERVING WHAT REMAINS:**

1. Identify, conserve, and protect the state's natural and cultural resources.
2. *Identify, preserve, and protect the state's natural heritage, especially significant natural areas, plants and animals, and natural and scenic rivers.*

**C. FUNDING AND FINANCING:**

1. Provide consistent and adequate funding for outdoor recreation and resource conservation at the federal, state, and local government levels for acquisition, development, operation, maintenance, and staffing.
2. Provide assistance through the Land and Water Conservation Fund to meet local recreation needs as described in local park and recreation master plans.
3. *Expand recreation opportunities by more effective and efficient use of existing resources wherever possible.*

4. Promote implementation of the recommendations of the President's Commission on Americans Outdoors.

**D. MORE LAND FOR RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION:**

1. *Provide more lands for public recreation and/or natural resource conservation.*
2. Provide more regional (>200 acres) resource recreation areas, especially in central Indiana.
3. *Encourage the acquisition, management, and development of non-traditional outdoor recreation lands, such as schools, military lands, highways, streets, sidewalks, surplus public lands, mined lands, landfills, and rights-of-way.*
4. *Establish greenway corridors of private and public lands and waters throughout Indiana's communities and countryside.*
5. Acquire wetlands with Land and Water Conservation Funds.

**E. LOCAL PUBLIC PARK AND RECREATION ISSUES:**

1. Expand and strengthen park and recreation boards, especially at the county level.
2. Provide recreation and resource conservation technical assistance to local units of government.



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F. MANAGING PUBLIC RECREATION LANDS:

- 1. *Develop, operate, and/or maintain recreation lands, facilities, and activities that are compatible with a site's natural resources and that minimize adverse environmental impacts and user conflicts.*

- 2. Clarify and redefine the legal issues, regulations, and jurisdictions impacting Indiana's waters.

G. CONSERVATION EDUCATION AND OUTDOOR ETHICS:

- 1. *Provide and expand opportunities which develop, among the general population, greater awareness, understanding, and appreciation of Indiana's natural and cultural resources, the environment, and proper use and management of the same.*

I. TRAIL OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1. *Provide a diversity of trail opportunities.*
- 2. *Provide walking and biking trails for close-to-home, day-to-day use.*
- 3. *Provide a statewide system of coordinated regional and local trails.*
- 4. *Maintain, improve, and expand trail opportunities on recreation lands.*

H. ACCESS TO WATER:

- 1. *Increase and enhance access to the state's lakes and streams (that flow throughout the year) for recreation and aesthetic enjoyment, particularly Lake Michigan, Natural lakes, the Ohio River, Wabash River, Kankakee River, Maumee River, St. Joseph River, Little Calumet River, White River, urban waters, lakes greater than 50 acres without existing public access, and lakes and reservoirs at least 500 acres in size.*

J. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES:

- 1. *Improve and expand the development of tourism in Indiana.*
- 2. *Strengthen cooperation and coordination within and between federal, state, and local governments and the private sector.*
- 3. *Maintain and improve public road access and highway signage to recreation areas.*

K. RESPONDING TO THE FUTURE:

- 1. *Improve and expand cooperation, coordination, and planning within and between federal, state, and local governments and the private sector to provide recreation opportunities and to conserve natural resources.*

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2. **Include recreation as an integral part of community and economic development.**
3. **Involve the public throughout the recreation and resource conservation decision making process at all levels of government.**
4. **Ensure that everyone has access to a wide range of outdoor recreation opportunities.**

4. **Priority** – Establishes an “A”, “B” or “C” priority to the element of action. (Refer to the Priority Criteria section.)
5. **Priority Category** – Lists to which category the element of action is assigned.

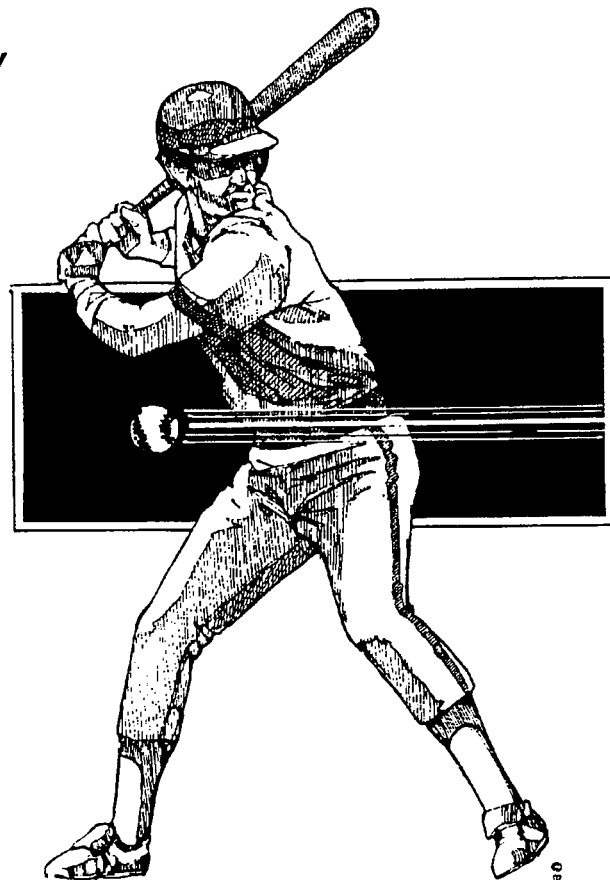
*This information will be used to establish the Action Plan for the Park and Recreation Update. (Refer to the Action Plan section.)*

*Taken from “Indiana Outdoor Recreation 1989, An Assessment and Policy Plan, Executive Summary”.*

### **Proposed Priority Matrix**

The following pages are a summary of the determined priorities of action, documented by this study. The matrix lists the following column headings:

1. **Proposed Plan of Action** – documents the element of action noted.
2. **Site or Facility** – Notes to which site or facility the element of action relates.
3. **Estimated Costs** – Indicates the anticipated expense of that action element.



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### Priority Matrixes

The following are the Proposed Priority Matrixes for the Mooresville Park and Recreation Master Plan Update. They are in order of Administrative, Departmental, General, and by Park Site.

All dollar estimates in the Priority Matrix (and later in the Action Plan section) are a result of certain assumptions and may not reflect actual costs. They are strictly preliminary estimates to be used as a budget tool.

### Administrative Priorities

#### PROPOSED PRIORITY MATRIX

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**Priority Criteria —**

"A" — Primary in next 5 years

"B" — Secondary in next 5 years

"C" — Questionable in next 5 years

(Note: Costs are estimates only reflecting 1992 costs. An inflation factor will need need to be factored into these costs the year the workscope item is implemented.)

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PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	PRIORITY RATING	PRIORITY CATEGORY
• Pursue land for Neighborhood Parks	Administrative	\$60,000	A	Facilities
• Budget staff continuing ed./certification	Administrative	\$15,000	A	Funding
• Greater use of school facilities	Administrative	\$1,000	A	Misc./Other
• Develop Mooresville Park Foundation	Administrative	\$1,000	A	Misc./Other
• Staffing policy changes with expansion	Administrative	\$0	A	Misc./Other
• Land acquisition policy	Administrative	\$0	A	Misc./Other
• Feasibility study of Community Center	Administrative	\$5,000	A	Misc./Other
• Programming for the disabled	Administrative	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Feasibility Study of a Recycling Program	Administrative	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Develop walking programs for all ages	Administrative	\$5,000	A	Programs/Service
• Strengthen ties with schools for programs	Administrative	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Hire Recreation Director	Administrative	\$21,000	A	Staff/Personnel
• Pursue land acquisition—East of Town	Administrative	\$0	B	Facilities
• Pursue land acquisition—West of Town	Administrative	\$0	B	Facilities
• Develop greenways where possible	Administrative	\$35,000	B	Facilities
• Evaluate/refine job descriptions/titles	Administrative	\$0	B	Staff/Personnel
• Staff planning retreat	Administrative	\$300	C	Staff/Personnel

ADMINISTRATIVE TOTALS = \$143,300

Playgrounds



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### Departmental Priorities

#### PROPOSED PRIORITY MATRIX

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#### Priority Criteria —

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"B" — Secondary in next 5 years  
"C" — Questionable in next 5 years

(Note: Costs are estimates only reflecting 1992 costs. An inflation factor will need need to be factored into these costs the year the workscope item is implemented.)

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PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	PRIORITY RATING	PRIORITY CATEGORY
• Improve trail maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$10,000	A	Maintenance
• ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan	Departmental	\$3,000	A	Facilities
• Creative budgeting and use of funding	Departmental	\$0	A	Funding
• Computerize Departmental activities	Departmental	\$10,000	A	Maintenance
• Replacement of maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$98,000	A	Maintenance
• Improve scheduling of facilities/activities	Departmental	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Evaluation procedure of prgrms/services	Departmental	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Evaluate user/fee system	Departmental	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Programming for teens	Departmental	\$1,000	A	Programs/Service
• Provide pool hours for Adults	Departmental	\$1,000	A	Programs/Service
• Program for swimming lessons	Departmental	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Program for cultural activities	Departmental	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Refine registration/reservation/fees	Departmental	\$0	A	Programs/Service
• Volunteer service programs	Departmental	\$0	A	Staff/Personnel
• Develop career track & annual evaluation	Departmental	\$0	A	Staff/Personnel
• ADA Implementation (Annual)	Departmental	\$25,000	B	Facilities
• Departmental Marketing Planning	Departmental	\$0	C	Misc./Other
• Computerize registration system	Departmental	\$2,000	C	Programs/Service

DEPARTMENTAL TOTALS = \$150,000

### General Priorities

#### PROPOSED PRIORITY MATRIX

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#### Priority Criteria —

"A" — Primary in next 5 years  
"B" — Secondary in next 5 years  
"C" — Questionable in next 5 years

(Note: Costs are estimates only reflecting 1992 costs. An inflation factor will need need to be factored into these costs the year the workscope item is implemented.)

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PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	PRIORITY RATING	PRIORITY CATEGORY
• Ten New Tennis Courts	Other Facility(s)?	\$200,000	A	Facilities
• New Community Center	New Park?	\$750,000	A	Facilities
• Park Signage	All Parks	\$12,000	A	Facilities
• Additional trees in parks	All Parks	\$21,000	A	Facilities
• Skate Board facility	New Park?	\$35,000	C	Facilities

GENERAL PRIORITIES = \$1,018,000

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**Park Sites Priorities**

**OLD TOWN PARK...**

**PROPOSED PRIORITY MATRIX**

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**Priority Criteria —**

- "A" – Primary in next 5 years
- "B" – Secondary in next 5 years
- "C" – Questionable in next 5 years

(Note: Costs are estimates only reflecting 1992 costs. An inflation factor will need need to be factored into these costs the year the workscope item is implemented.)

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PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	PRIORITY RATING	PRIORITY CATEGORY
• Update playground equipment	Old Town Park	\$15,000	A	Facilities
• Update restrooms	Old Town Park	\$25,000	A	Facilities
• Drinking Fountain	Old Town Park	\$2,000	A	Facilities
• Update ball fields	Old Town Park	\$10,000	B	Facilities
• Land acquisition adjacent to Old Town Pk.	Old Town Park	\$50,000	C	Facilities

OLD TOWN PARK PRIORITIES = \$102,000

**NORTH PARK...**

**PROPOSED PRIORITY MATRIX**

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**Priority Criteria —**

- "A" – Primary in next 5 years
- "B" – Secondary in next 5 years
- "C" – Questionable in next 5 years

(Note: Costs are estimates only reflecting 1992 costs. An inflation factor will need need to be factored into these costs the year the workscope item is implemented.)

22-Jan-92

PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	PRIORITY RATING	PRIORITY CATEGORY
• Update playground equipment	North Park	\$10,000	A	Facilities
• Update existing bridge	North Park	\$5,000	B	Facilities

OLD TOWN PARK PRIORITIES = \$15,000

**OPEN SPACE**

# L. PRIORITIES

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### PIONEER PARK...

#### PROPOSED PRIORITY MATRIX

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#### Priority Criteria —

- \*A\* — Primary in next 5 years
- \*B\* — Secondary in next 5 years
- \*C\* — Questionable in next 5 years

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PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	PRIORITY RATING	PRIORITY CATEGORY
• More seating around walking trail	Pioneer Park	\$5,250	A	Facilities
• Restrooms year round	Pioneer Park	\$25,000	A	Facilities
• Additional parking at pool and shelters	Pioneer Park	\$35,000	A	Facilities
• Additional lighting around pool	Pioneer Park	\$35,000	A	Facilities
• Develop new fitness course	Pioneer Park	\$10,000	A	Facilities
• Amphitheatre Development	Pioneer Park	\$25,000	A	Facilities
• Additional Security Lighting	Pioneer Park	\$5,000	A	Facilities
• Two Additional shelter houses	Pioneer Park	\$20,000	A	Facilities
• Expand electric and water services	Pioneer Park	\$5,000	A	Facilities
• Additional picnic tables (100)	Pioneer Park	\$10,000	A	Facilities
• New horse shoe courts	Pioneer Park	\$1,500	A	Facilities
• New frisbee golf course development	Pioneer Park	\$6,500	A	Facilities
• Improvements to front entry gate	Pioneer Park	\$15,000	A	Facilities
• Expand trail	Pioneer Park	\$5,000	A	Facilities
• Clean areas behind ball fields in woods	Pioneer Park	\$8,000	A	Maintenance
• Bridge Access to East property	Pioneer Park	\$50,000	A	Facilities
• Develop East side of creek (25 acres)	Pioneer Park	\$50,000	A	Facilities
• Land acquisition adjacent to Pioneer Pk.	Pioneer Park	\$100,000	A	Facilities
• Gazebos (4)	Pioneer Park	\$40,000	B	Facilities
• Nature center	Pioneer Park	\$80,000	B	Facilities
• Concessions development in soccer area	Pioneer Park	\$25,000	C	Facilities
• Drainage Improvements	Pioneer Park	\$25,000	C	Facilities
• Archery Range development	Pioneer Park	\$3,000	C	Facilities
• Install playground safety surfacing	Pioneer Park	\$50,000	C	Facilities

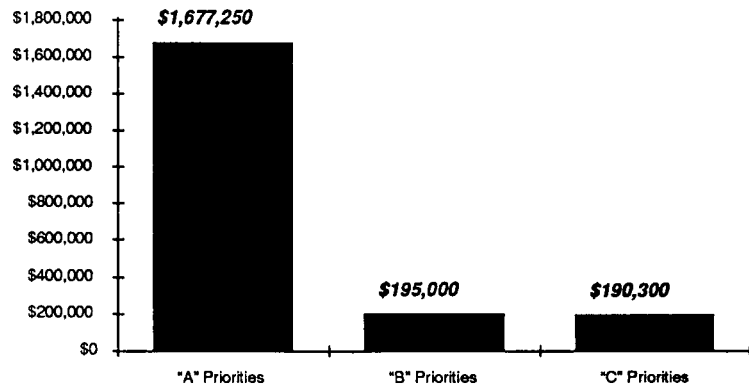
PIONEER PARK PRIORITIES = \$634,250



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The proposed priorities outlined above will be used as a guide in the establishment of the Master Plan's Action Plan in an upcoming chapter of this document. It should be pointed out that with refinement and review, of the priorities, adjustments may have been made in the line items when found in the Action Plan.

### ALL PRIORITIES — ESTIMATED COSTS

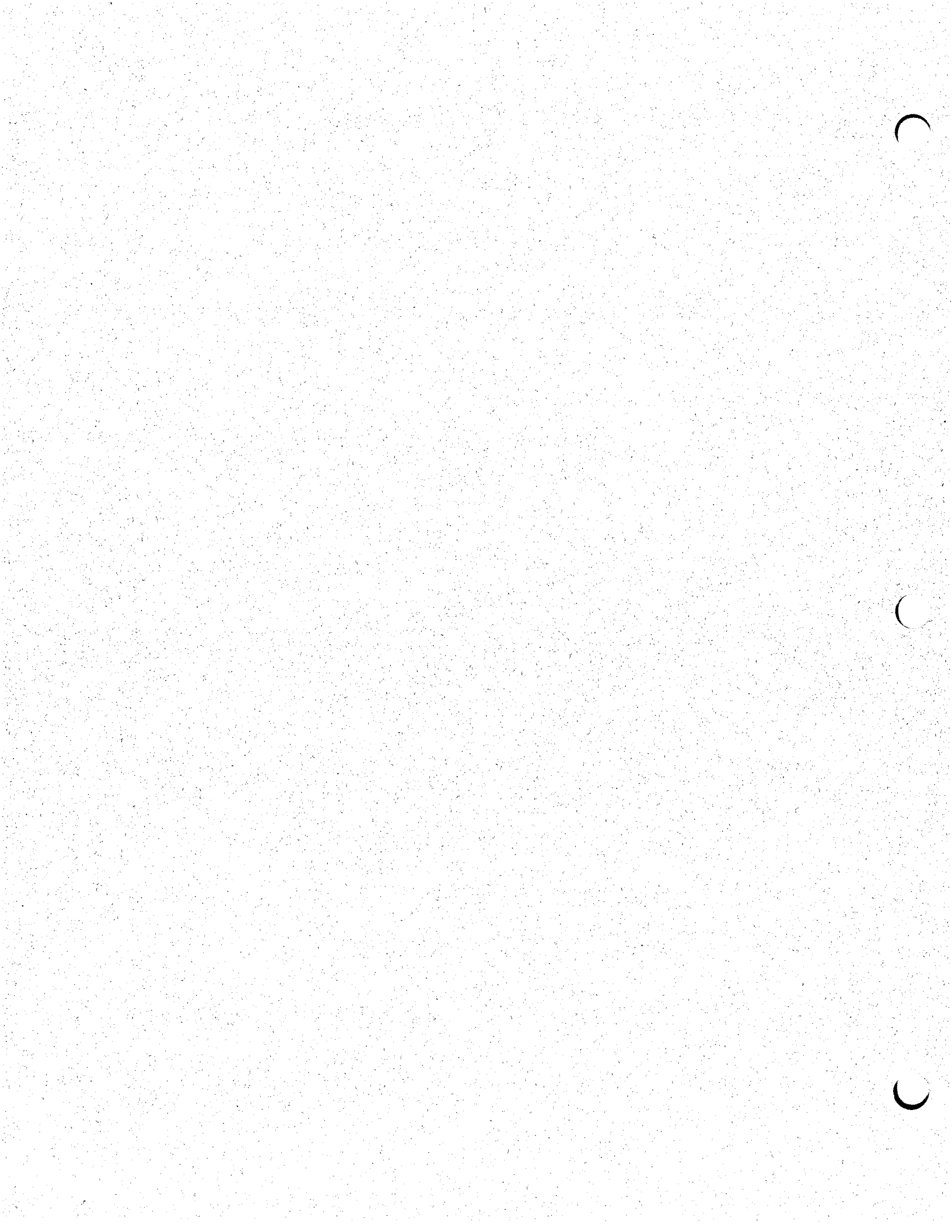


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## Mooresville Park and Recreation Action Plan

The following Action Plan represents a listing of issues which address "A" priorities only. The Action Schedule outlines the project action, the estimated year of implementation, and the estimated cost and probable funding sources. The following is a Source of Funds Key used in the Action Plan:

- NR – Non-Reverting Funds
- CTP – Civil Town Personnel (Park and Recreation Personnel)
- CTO – Civil Town Operations (Park and Recreation Fund)
- TSA – Town Special Appropriation
- GD – Gifts and Donations
- GOB – General Obligation Bonds
- PF – Mooresville Parks Foundation, Inc.
- LWCF – Land and Water Conservation Funds
- IWG – Indiana Waters Grant
- HIG – Hometown Indiana Grant
- ISTA – Intermodal Surface Transportation Act of 1992
- OG – Other Grants
- SD – Subdivision Ordinance (Mandatory Dedication)
- PE – Park Escrow

### Funding Resources

Constraints on Town government to fund the variety of programs provided by the public sector are many. Overcoming these constraints requires a brief description of the principal resources available to the Park and Recreation Board for implementing programs for recreational purposes.

These resources include:

#### NR – Non-Reverting Funds

Non-reverting fund accounts are created by the Town Council to allow the Park Board to use these funds for capital expenditures without further appropriation. Fees and income from certain activities are deposited into these funds. Non-reverting funds have been established for various activities and the recreation program field trips.

#### CTP – Civil Town Personnel

Each year a significant portion of the Civil Town budget is devoted to personnel expenses. These expenses include base salaries, overtime pay, longevity pay based on number of years employed, medical and life insurance benefit coverage, and PERF (Public Employee Retirement Fund) contributions.

#### CTO – Civil Town Operations

In addition to the annual appropriation for personnel expenses, the Park Department receives each year from Civil Town funds, a budget amount for operations for the upcoming year. This money is used to cover maintenance costs associated with park upkeep, departmental office operating expenses, and costs associated with promoting and running the recreation program and special events.

• **TSA – Town Special Appropriation**

• The Town may also from time to time appropriate money toward Park Department projects and improvements from other town revenue sources. These sources might include money from the town's Community Development Block Grant budget (CDBG). Also funds needed to match grant requests are sometimes appropriated from a Town matching funds line item.

• **GD – Gifts and Donations**

• Donations of money, land, and time are important resources to the Park Department. Many recreation activities and special events would not occur if such donations were not received from individuals, service clubs, and businesses. Also land donations to the park system have been received since early in the history of the Park Department and where advantageous these land donations should be encouraged and received by the Park Board.

• **GOB – General Obligation Bonds**

• General obligation bonds, which are retired by tax money, provide a funding source for implementation of large scale projects or improvements. The Park Board can not exceed a set percentage (2%) of the assessed valuation of the taxing district. Public hearings must be held and approval is required by the Town Council.



**PF – Mooresville Parks Foundation, Inc.**

The formation of the Mooresville Parks Foundation, Inc. would allow it as a not-for-profit organization to receive donations of money on behalf of the Park Department for specific improvements to the parks. These donations are tax deductible for the donor due to the not-for-profit and tax-exempt status of the Foundation. The Foundation can also raise money for special projects and enjoys some tax-free benefits up to a certain dollar limit before paying taxes on this income.

**LWCF – Land and Water Conservation Funds**

Administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation, these funds are used most predominantly for park development of outdoor recreation facilities. These grant funds can be utilized to finance up to 50% of the cost of eligible projects and are awarded annually. To qualify for LWCF funds, a city/town must have a park and recreation board established in accordance with state statutes and have an approved Park and Recreation Master Plan.

**IWG – Indiana Waters Grant**

This program and its requirements for qualification are similar to the Land and Water Conservation Fund program. The Indiana Waters Grants program funds can be utilized to finance up to 75% of the cost of eligible projects and is primarily used to encourage access and use of Indiana waters.

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#### **HIG – Hometown Indiana Grant**

This program is a new one created by the Indiana Legislature in 1988. Its purpose and qualifications are similar to the LWCF program. It is also administered by the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation. Funding is from state funds rather than federal funds and can be used for park and recreation projects as well as urban forestry and historic preservation projects.

- Development of trail-side and trail-head facilities .
- Provide for access and trail use by persons with disabilities .
- Acquisition of easements for trails or for trail corridors identified in a state trail plan .
- Construction of new trails on state, county, municipal and private lands .
- Operation of environmental protection and safety education programs relating to the use of recreational trails .

#### **ISTA – Intermodal Surface Transportation Act of 1992**

The "Intermodal Surface Transportation Act of 1992" was approved on December 18. Part B of the act created the National Recreational Trails Fund. The fund authorizes up to \$30 million for each of the next five years to be distributed from the Highway Trust Fund to the states to provide and maintain recreational trails.

Money from the fund may also be used for construction of new trails crossing federal lands if it is necessary and required by the state comprehensive outdoor recreation plan, and agreed to by both the state agency administering the program and the federal agency charged with the management of the impacted the governor of each state will determine which agency will administer the trail fund.

Fifty percent of the money from the fund will be divided equally among the 50 states. The remaining 50% will be allocated according to the amount of non-highway recreational fuel use in the state during the preceding year. Grant funding is on a 80/20 match. A state may use money for a variety of projects. The following is a list of "permissible uses":

- Maintenance of existing recreational trails, including the grooming and maintenance of trails across snow
- Development of urban trail linkages near homes and workplaces

#### **OG – Other Grants**

Other grant sources besides the traditional recreation related ones sponsored by the state and federal government exist for park improvement projects. Also there are urban forestry grants available and grants from the Indiana Arts Commission that can be related to park and recreation projects. Private companies are also often sponsors of foundations and grant programs that may be related to an aspect of park and recreation such as tree planting, aid to handicapped persons, or programs for disadvantaged youth. Companies also sometimes sponsor volunteer programs to the



- . community with their employee or executive resources.

**SD – Subdivision Ordinance**

This funding source is not in place at the current time. If adopted by a Town Ordinance it would make it mandatory that with new subdivisions park land be dedicated to the Park Board or a cash value based upon an established rate per acre.

**PE – Park Escrow**

This funding source is the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Department's Budget line item and is available for funding capital improvement items.

**Other Potential Funding Sources**

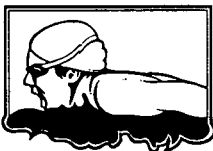
- A. "Take Pride in America", Volunteer Program (IDNR, Division of Outdoor Recreation)
- B. Urban Forestry Grants (IDNR, Division of Forestry)
- C. Indiana Committee for the Humanities
- D. Indiana Arts Committee
- E. Indiana Department of Aging and Community Services
- F. Environmental Education Act, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- G. Governor's Voluntary Action Program
- H. Indiana Federal Property Program
- I. Indiana Department of Commerce
- J. Economic Development Administration

- K. U.S. Department of Education
- L. Green Thumb, Inc.
- M. President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports
- N. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- O. U.S. Armed Services
- P. The Nature Conservancy
- Q. Acres, Inc.
- R. The Trust for Public Land
- S. National Association for the Exchange of Industrial Resources
- T. The Lilly Community Assistance Program
- U. Fish America Foundation
- V. Memorial Giving
- W. Deferred Giving
- X. Capital Fund Drive Campaign

The aforementioned funding sources are not intended as an exhaustive list of available sources. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Park and Recreation Board will continue to research various federal grant-in-aid programs and private sector resources which could be utilized in the development of park and recreation projects.

The issues have been identified, synthesized, and ranked by priority. This Action Plan plots the probable implementation schedule using the "A" priorities only.

The proposed Action Plan may need to be modified and adjusted as indicated by available resources. It is intended to be a flexible working document, and some adjustments should be anticipated.



The annual Department reviews of its Objectives should include those elements of the Park and Recreation Master Plan deemed feasible for that given year. Quantifiable benchmarks should be forecast for progress evaluation, based on a reasonable time frame.

### **General Observations on Action Plan**

The suggested action plan uses the Priority Matrix items. Some of the dollar amounts in the Action Plan matrixes may have been adjusted from those same line items in the Priority Matrix due to further refinement on the work scope, cost estimating, etc.

There are several line items that may occur every year of the five year plan. One item is the Section 504, Handicap Accessibility renovation requirements along with the Americans with Disabilities Act which the Department will need to phase annually with its implementation.

One top priority is to examine the feasibility of the potentials for the Community Center Development.

The importance of assuring available park land for the Town in both the short-term and long-term calls for a continual assessment of the available park land opportunities. Some assumptions for land acquisition have been included in the Priorities Matrix along with the Action Plan.

### **Annual Implementation Themes**

With the review of the action plans for each of the next five years it is suggested that annual "themes" be developed and used in marketing efforts, programming, communications, etc. throughout the year.

#### **1992 - Recreational Programming**

With a full time Recreation Director on staff programs and activities could be a theme for 1992. Also with a new departmental logo and master plan ready to implement great public communication should be provided.

#### **1993 - Service and Efficiencies**

Building from the programming year, 1993 could focus on services and efficiencies of the department. With the expansion of the computer systems in the operations of the department greater means of service to the community should be realized. The development of the proposed tennis complex occurs in this year, thus providing greater recreational service to the community.

#### **1994 - Expanding Developments**

1994 is the year of grants and funding potentials. The potential grants will assist in the completion of the tennis complex and start on the proposed Community Center. This year again being a big grant funding year.

1995 - Community Service

With a greater number of participants expected with facilities and programs an expanding wave of community services by the park district could be realized this year. The remaining results of the grant applications of previous years should be realized in 1995.

1996 - Expanding Opportunities

With the development of greenways or linear park developments Mooresville Park and Recreation District may have the opportunity to connect with adjacent communities via park corridors. Thus expanding the district's relationships and its opportunities.

**Proposed Action Plan Matrix**

The following pages reflect the Action Plan Matrix for each individual year of the Master Plan. The Matrix are organized as follows:

- **Proposed Plan of Action** – Identifies the implementation element established from the "A" Priority List.
- **Site or Facility** – Indicates which site, facility or category the Action step relates to.
- **Estimated Costs** – Indicates what estimated costs could be anticipated for the element of action.

- **Year of Action** – This column indicates the year the action is scheduled to be implemented.
- **Funding Source(s)** – With the Funding Source legend noted on each page, each Action line item has a main source of possible funding identified with it. Other funding sources have also been listed and should be considered to augment the main source if necessary.

Each of the following Proposed Action Plan Matrix lists the proposed action for each given year (1992-1996) for the Administrative and Departmental items and park site area. A total has been tabulated at the end of each year's matrix.

Following the Matrixes is a summary of the funding sources called for in the five year period. This summary is highlighted with charts representing this same data.



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### 1992 PROPOSED ACTION PLAN

#### PROPOSED ACTION PLAN MATRIX

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PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	YEAR OF ACTION	FUNDING SOURCE(S)
• Pursue land for Neighborhood Parks	Administrative	\$0	1992	CTO, NR, LWCF, HIG
• Budget staff continuing ed./certification	Administrative	\$3,000	1992	CTP, NR
• Greater use of school facilities	Administrative	\$200	1992	CTP
• Develop Mooresville Park Foundation	Administrative	\$1,000	1992	NR, GD
• Staffing policy changes with expansion	Administrative	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Land acquisition policy	Administrative	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Programming for person w/ disabilities	Administrative	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Develop walking programs for all ages	Administrative	\$1,000	1992	CTP, NR
• Hire Recreation Director	Administrative	\$21,000	1992	CTP
• Park Signage	All Parks	\$4,000	1992	CTO
• ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan	Departmental	\$3,000	1992	TSA, CTP
• Creative budgeting and use of funding	Departmental	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Computerize Departmental activities	Departmental	\$5,000	1992	NR, CTO
• Replacement of maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$19,600	1992	CTO, NR, PE
• Improve scheduling of facilities/activities	Departmental	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Evaluation procedure of prgrms/services	Departmental	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Evaluate user/fee system	Departmental	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Provide pool hours for Adults	Departmental	\$200	1992	CTP
• Program for swimming lessons	Departmental	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Develop career track & annual evaluation	Departmental	\$0	1992	Not Applicable
• Update playground equipment	North Park	\$2,000	1992	CTO, NR
• Update playground equipment	Old Town Park	\$3,000	1992	CTO, NR
• Drinking Fountain	Old Town Park	\$2,000	1992	CTO, NR
• Additional parking at pool and shelters	Pioneer Park	\$8,750	1992	HIG, CTO, NR
• Additional Security Lighting	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1992	CTO, NR
• Expand electric and water services	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1992	CTO
• Improvements to front entry gate	Pioneer Park	\$15,000	1992	CTO, NR, GD
• Clean areas behind ball fields in woods	Pioneer Park	\$1,600	1992	GD, CTO, OG

1992 ACTION PLAN COST ESTIMATE TOTAL =           \$92,350

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**1993 PROPOSED ACTION PLAN**

**PROPOSED ACTION PLAN MATRIX**

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- PE – Park Escrow

PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	YEAR OF ACTION	FUNDING SOURCE(S)
• Pursue land for Neighborhood Parks	Administrative	\$10,000	1993	CTO, NR, LWCF, HIG
• Budget staff continuing ed./certification	Administrative	\$3,000	1993	CTP, NR
• Greater use of school facilities	Administrative	\$200	1993	CTP
• Staffing policy changes with expansion	Administrative	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Land acquisition policy	Administrative	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Feasibility study of Community Center	Administrative	\$5,000	1993	CTP, NR
• Programming for person w/ disabilities	Administrative	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Develop walking programs for all ages	Administrative	\$1,000	1993	CTP, NR
• Strengthen ties with schools for programs	Administrative	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Park Signage	All Parks	\$4,000	1993	CTO
• Additional trees in parks	All Parks	\$10,500	1993	OG, CTO
• Improve trail maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$10,000	1993	CTO
• Creative budgeting and use of funding	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Computerize Departmental activities	Departmental	\$5,000	1993	NR, CTO
• Replacement of maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$19,600	1993	CTO, NR, PE
• Improve scheduling of facilities/activities	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Evaluation procedure of prgrms/services	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Evaluate user/fee system	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Programming for teens	Departmental	\$1,000	1993	NR, CTP
• Provide pool hours for Adults	Departmental	\$200	1993	CTP
• Program for swimming lessons	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Program for cultural activities	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Refine registration/reservation/fees	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Volunteer service programs	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Develop career track & annual evaluation	Departmental	\$0	1993	Not Applicable
• Update playground equipment	North Park	\$2,000	1993	CTO, NR
• Update playground equipment	Old Town Park	\$3,000	1993	CTO, NR
• Update restrooms	Old Town Park	\$15,000	1993	CTO, NR
• Ten New Tennis Courts	Other Facility(s)?	\$100,000	1993	LWCF, HIG, OG, GD
• More seating around walking trail	Pioneer Park	\$5,250	1993	CTO, NR, GD
• Restrooms year round	Pioneer Park	\$25,000	1993	CTO, NR
• Additional parking at pool and shelters	Pioneer Park	\$8,750	1993	HIG, CTO, NR
• Additional lighting around pool	Pioneer Park	\$35,000	1993	HIG, CTO, NR
• Additional Security Lighting	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1993	CTO, NR
• Two Additional shelter houses	Pioneer Park	\$10,000	1993	CTO, NR, HIG
• Expand electric and water services	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1993	CTO
• Additional picnic tables (100)	Pioneer Park	\$5,000	1993	CTO, NR
• New horse shoe courts	Pioneer Park	\$1,500	1993	CTO
• New frisbee golf course development	Pioneer Park	\$6,500	1993	CTO, NR
• Expand trail	Pioneer Park	\$5,000	1993	GD, CTO
• Clean areas behind ball fields in woods	Pioneer Park	\$1,600	1993	GD, CTO, OG
• Bridge Access to East property	Pioneer Park	\$50,250	1993	LWCF, IWG, HIG, CTO

1993 ACTION PLAN COST ESTIMATE TOTAL = \$345,350

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#### PROPOSED ACTION PLAN MATRIX

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• Budget staff continuing ed./certification	Administrative	\$3,000	1994	CTP, NR
• Greater use of school facilities	Administrative	\$200	1994	CTP
• Staffing policy changes with expansion	Administrative	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Programming for person w/ disabilities	Administrative	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Feasibility Study of a Recycling Program	Administrative	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Develop walking programs for all ages	Administrative	\$1,000	1994	CTP, NR
• Strengthen ties with schools for programs	Administrative	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Park Signage	All Parks	\$4,000	1994	CTO
• Additional trees in parks	All Parks	\$10,500	1994	OG, CTO
• Creative budgeting and use of funding	Departmental	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Replacement of maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$19,600	1994	CTO, NR, PE
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• Evaluation procedure of prgrms/services	Departmental	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Evaluate user/fee system	Departmental	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Provide pool hours for Adults	Departmental	\$200	1994	CTP
• Program for swimming lessons	Departmental	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Develop career track & annual evaluation	Departmental	\$0	1994	Not Applicable
• Update playground equipment	North Park	\$2,000	1994	CTO, NR
• Update playground equipment	Old Town Park	\$3,000	1994	CTO, NR
• Update restrooms	Old Town Park	\$10,000	1994	CTO, NR
• Ten New Tennis Courts	Other Facility(s)?	\$100,000	1994	LWCF, HIG, OG, GD
• New Community Center	New Park?	\$250,000	1994	HIG, NR, CTO, TSA, GOB
• Additional parking at pool and shelters	Pioneer Park	\$8,750	1994	HIG, CTO, NR
• Additional Security Lighting	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1994	CTO, NR
• Expand electric and water services	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1994	CTO
• Additional picnic tables (100)	Pioneer Park	\$5,000	1994	CTO, NR
• Clean areas behind ball fields in woods	Pioneer Park	\$1,600	1994	GD, CTO, OG
• Land acquisition adjacent to Pioneer Pk.	Pioneer Park	\$50,000	1994	LWCF, HIG, NR, OG, CTO

1994 ACTION PLAN COST ESTIMATE TOTAL = \$500,850



## 1995 PROPOSED ACTION PLAN

### PROPOSED ACTION PLAN MATRIX

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| GOB – General Obligation Bonds           | SD – Subdivision Ordinance (Mandatory Dedication)  |
| PF – Park Foundation                     | PE – Park Escrow                                   |

PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	YEAR OF ACTION	FUNDING SOURCE(S)
• Pursue land for Neighborhood Parks	Administrative	\$10,000	1995	CTO, NR, LWCF, HIG
• Budget staff continuing ed./certification	Administrative	\$3,000	1995	CTP, NR
• Greater use of school facilities	Administrative	\$200	1995	CTP
• Staffing policy changes with expansion	Administrative	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Programming for person w/ disabilities	Administrative	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Develop walking programs for all ages	Administrative	\$1,000	1995	CTP, NR
• Creative budgeting and use of funding	Departmental	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Replacement of maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$19,600	1995	CTO, NR, PE
• Improve scheduling of facilities/activities	Departmental	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Evaluation procedure of prgrms/services	Departmental	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Evaluate user/fee system	Departmental	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Provide pool hours for Adults	Departmental	\$200	1995	CTP
• Program for swimming lessons	Departmental	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Develop career track & annual evaluation	Departmental	\$0	1995	Not Applicable
• Update playground equipment	North Park	\$2,000	1995	CTO, NR
• Update playground equipment	Old Town Park	\$3,000	1995	CTO, NR
• New Community Center	New Park?	\$250,000	1995	HIG, NR, CTO, TSA, GOB
• Additional parking at pool and shelters	Pioneer Park	\$8,750	1995	HIG, CTO, NR
• Develop new fitness course	Pioneer Park	\$10,000	1995	CTO, NR, LWCF, OG
• Amphitheatre Development	Pioneer Park	\$25,000	1995	CTO, NR, HIG, LWCF
• Additional Security Lighting	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1995	CTO, NR
• Expand electric and water services	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1995	CTO
• Clean areas behind ball fields in woods	Pioneer Park	\$1,600	1995	GD, CTO, OG
• Develop East side of creek (25 acres)	Pioneer Park	\$50,000	1995	LWCF, HIG, NR, OG, CTO
• Land acquisition adjacent to Pioneer Pk.	Pioneer Park	\$50,000	1995	LWCF, HIG, NR, OG, CTO

1995 ACTION PLAN COST ESTIMATE TOTAL = \$436,350



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# 1996 PROPOSED ACTION PLAN

### PROPOSED ACTION PLAN MATRIX

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**1996**

Year of Implementation

Prepared by: Lehman & Lehman, Inc.

(Note: Costs are estimates only reflecting 1992 costs. An inflation factor will need to be factored into these costs the year the workscope item is implemented.)

#### Funding Source Legend:

NR – Non-Reverting Funds	LWCF – Land and Water Conservation Fund
CTP – Civil Town Personnel (Park & Rec.)	IWG – Indiana Waters Grant
CTO – Civil Town Operations (Park Fund)	HIG – Hometown Indiana Grant
TSA – Town Special Appropriations	ISTA – Intermodal Surface Transportation Act Grant
GD – Gifts and Donations	OG – Other Grants
GOB – General Obligation Bonds	SD – Subdivision Ordinance (Mandatory Dedication)
PF – Park Foundation	PE – Park Escrow

PLAN OF ACTION	SITE, FACILITY or DEPT./ADM.	ESTIMATED COSTS	YEAR OF ACTION	FUNDING SOURCE(S)
• Pursue land for Neighborhood Parks	Administrative	\$10,000	1996	CTO, NR, LWCF, HIG
• Budget staff continuing ed./certification	Administrative	\$3,000	1996	CTP, NR
• Greater use of school facilities	Administrative	\$200	1996	CTP
• Staffing policy changes with expansion	Administrative	\$0	1996	Not Applicable
• Programming for person w/ disabilities	Administrative	\$0	1996	Not Applicable
• Develop walking programs for all ages	Administrative	\$1,000	1996	CTP, NR
• Creative budgeting and use of funding	Departmental	\$0	1996	Not Applicable
• Replacement of maintenance equipment	Departmental	\$19,600	1996	CTO, NR, PE
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• New Community Center	New Park?	\$250,000	1996	HIG, NR, CTO, TSA, GOB
• Additional Security Lighting	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1996	CTO, NR
• Two Additional shelter houses	Pioneer Park	\$10,000	1996	CTO, NR, HIG
• Expand electric and water services	Pioneer Park	\$1,000	1996	CTO
• Clean areas behind ball fields in woods	Pioneer Park	\$1,600	1996	GD, CTO, OG

1996 ACTION PLAN COST ESTIMATE TOTAL = \$302,600



## Funding Sources

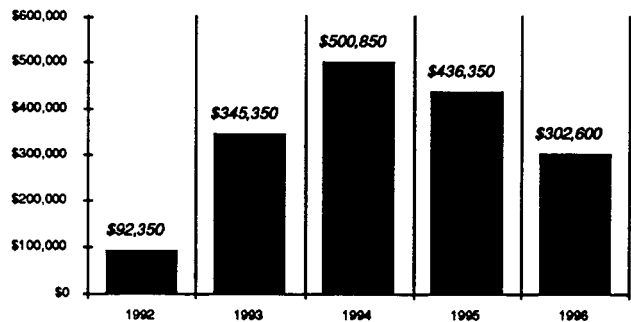
The annual plan of costs have been broken down into the various funding source categories. This table and chart shows that funding from each of the different sources is realistic and possible over the next five years. A percentage of the whole for both the year's action and funding sources have been shown. It is important to have the proposed funding in line with what is possible to accomplish.

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ACTION PLAN DOLLARS SOURCES BY YEAR

FUNDING SOURCE	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	TOTALS	PERCENT.
Non-Reverting Funds	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,000	0.7%
Civil Town Personnel (Park & Rec.)	\$25,400	\$9,400	\$4,400	\$4,400	\$4,400	\$48,000	2.9%
Civil Town Operations (Park Fund)	\$47,600	\$118,850	\$75,600	\$71,600	\$46,600	\$360,250	21.5%
Town Special Appropriations	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	0.2%
Gifts and Donations	\$1,600	\$6,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$13,000	0.8%
General Obligation Bonds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Park Foundation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Land and Water Conservation Fund	\$0	\$150,250	\$150,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$400,250	23.9%
Indiana Waters Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Hometown Indiana Grant	\$8,750	\$43,750	\$258,750	\$258,750	\$250,000	\$820,000	48.9%
Intermodal Surface Transportation Act Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Other Grants	\$0	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$0	\$0	\$21,000	1.3%
Subdivision Ord. (Mandatory Dedication)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Park Escrow	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
<b>TOTALS =</b>	<b>\$92,350</b>	<b>\$345,350</b>	<b>\$500,850</b>	<b>\$436,350</b>	<b>\$302,600</b>	<b>\$1,677,500</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE OF WHOLE =</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>20.6%</b>	<b>29.9%</b>	<b>26.0%</b>	<b>18.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	



Action Plan Annual Dollars



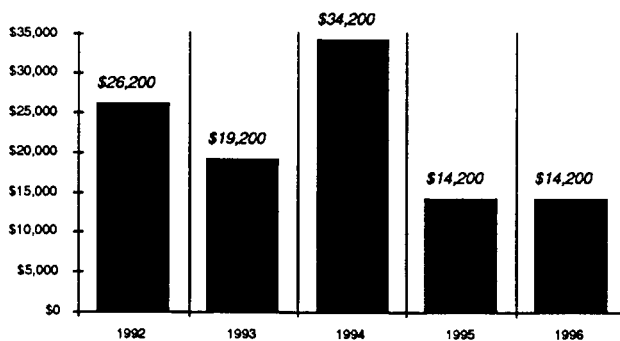
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## Charts and Commentary of the Funding Sources

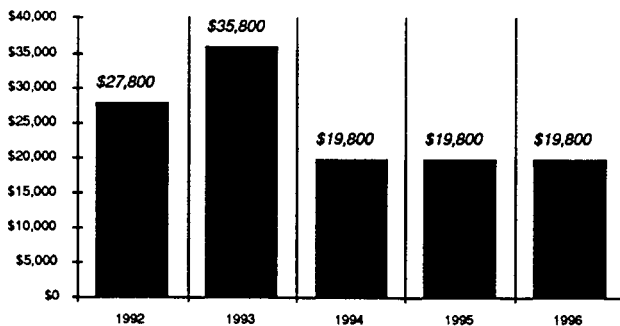
The following are various charts, with commentary, of the funding sources used over the five period of the plan. There are several funding sources which are not highlighted due to several reasons. The General Obligation Bonds funds have been factored into various line items but not as the primary funding source. The Town Special Appropriations funding source is available on a special request basis. The Park Foundation funding source will start with the finalization of the Mooresville Park Foundation. The Intermodal Surface Transportation Act Grant program will be implemented within the five year plan with the further definition of the program.

**Administrative Action Plan Annual Dollars**



*The action items in the area of administrative includes first the hiring of a Recreation Director along with continuing education for the staff. In later years funding will be towards land acquisition .*

**Departmental Action Plan Annual Dollars**

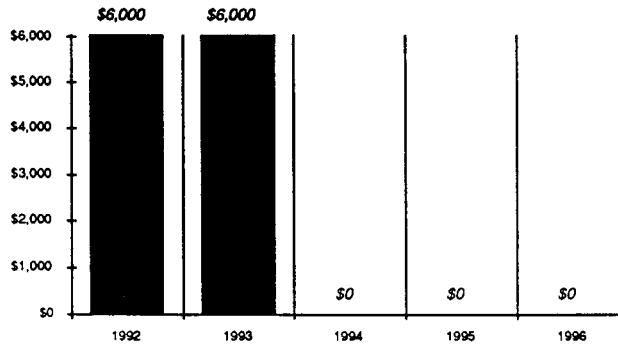


*The area of departmental action items funding will be towards ADA compliance expenses, computerization of operations, maintenance equipment replacements, improvement of trails and programming expense.*

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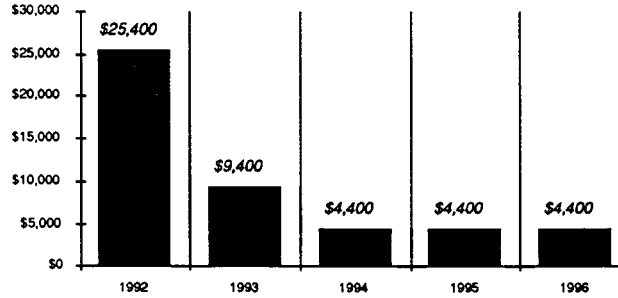
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**Non-Reverting Action Plan Annual Dollars**



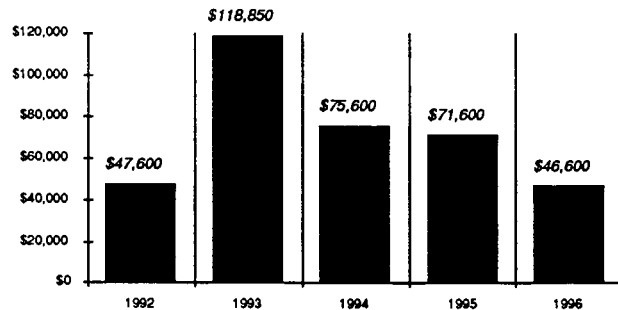
*The area of non-reverting funding has been identified in the first two years of the five year plan. It will be used for the development of the Park Foundation, computerization of the departmental activities and programming for teens.*

**Civil Town Personnel Action Plan Annual Dollars**



*The area Civil Town Personnel action items funding is used in hiring of staff and programming of activities.*

**Civil Town Operations Action Plan Annual Dollars**

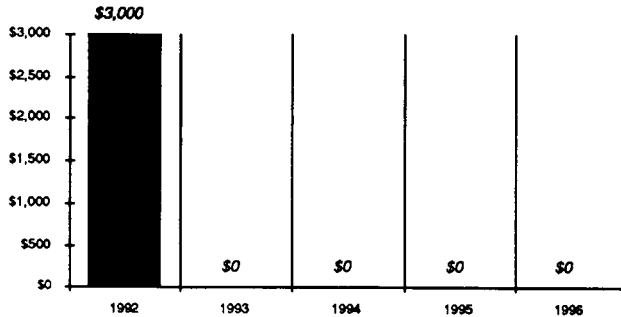


*The area Civil Town Operations action items funding is used in land acquisitions, maintenance equipment replacements, upgrading of playground equipment, security lighting, etc.*

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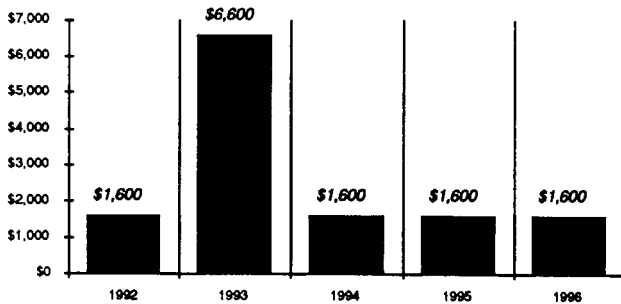
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**Town Special Appropriations Action Plan  
Annual Dollars**



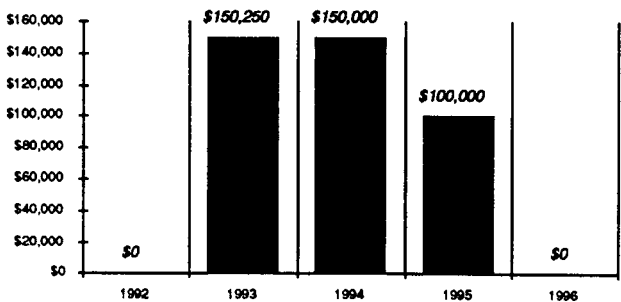
The area Town Special Appropriations action items funding have been identified in the ADA compliance evaluations.

**Gifts and Donations Action Plan Annual  
Dollars**



The area of Gifts and Donations action items funding will be used in the assistance of general clean up of park areas of Pioneer Park. In 1993 part of this year's dollars will be put towards expanding the trail system in Pioneer Park.

**Land and Water Conservation Fund  
Action Plan Annual Dollars**



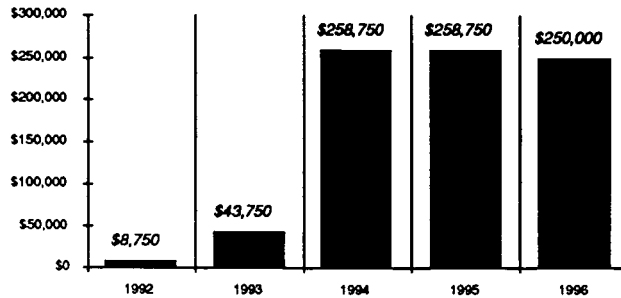
The area of the Land and Water Conservation Fund grant action items funding will be used in the development of the proposed tennis court complex to be staged over couple of years and for the development of a bridge across the creek in Pioneer Park. Also this funding could be used in the land acquisition around Pioneer Park.



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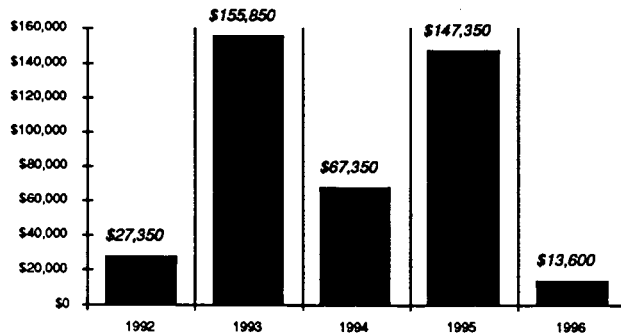
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**Hometown Indiana Grant Action Plan Annual Dollars**



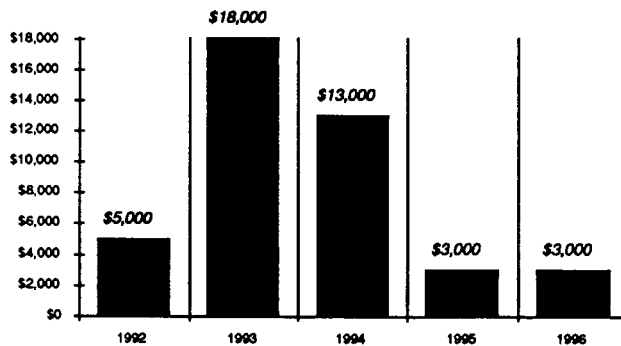
*The area of the Hometown Indiana Grant action items funding will be used primarily in the development of the proposed community center complex to be staged over three years and in the development of shelter houses in the parks.*

**Pioneer Park Action Plan Annual Dollars**



*The proposed action items funding in Pioneer Park will be in entry gate improvements, additional parking, expanding lighting and utility services, extending trails, additional shelters, bridge development, frisbee golf development, amphitheater development, and land acquisition.*

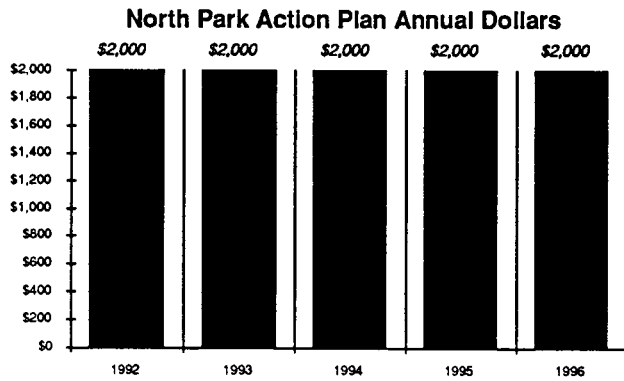
**Old Town Park Action Plan Annual Dollars**



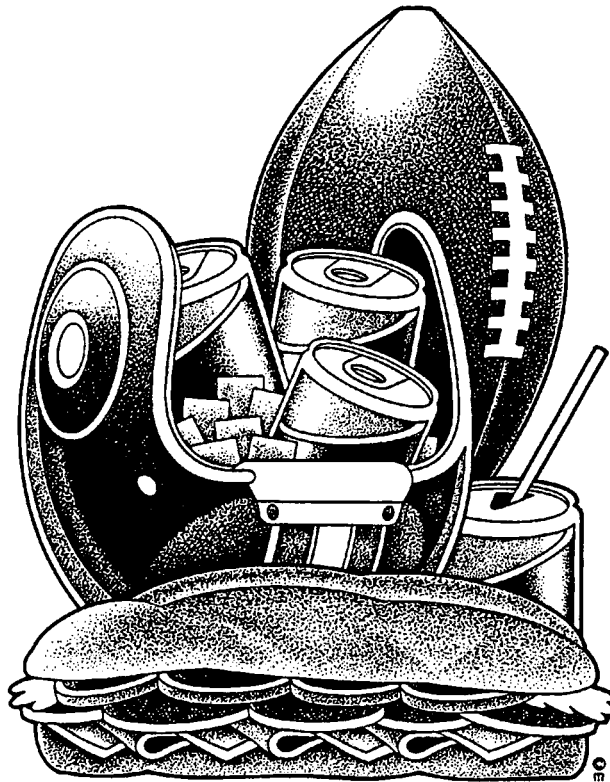
*The proposed action items funding in Old Town Park will be in updating playground equipment, and the improvements to restrooms and drinking fountain.*

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*The proposed action items funding in North Park will be in updating playground equipment.*



## **Park and Recreation Program Evaluations**

The Mooresville Park and Recreation Master Plan will be implemented through its action plans which calls for improvements, additions and modifications to not only sites and facilities but also programs. There needs to be means for which current and future programs can be evaluated. We have included evaluation tools, listed below, to assist in these measures of program implementation.

To adequately evaluate park programs it is necessary to measure BOTH **efficiency** and **effectiveness**.

Efficiency is the most common type of evaluation and is done via analysis of records, ratings, checklists, appraisals, audits, and studies. Ideally, these measurements are done on a continual basis for ongoing evaluation.

Evaluation to determine a program's effectiveness is done to measure the effect of that program on the participants. Attitude scales, case studies, observation and questionnaires are tools often used for this effectiveness evaluation. They are often overlooked because their usefulness is not fully recognized and because they are more difficult to process. Information gained from the evaluation of effectiveness is extremely useful and well worth the effort.

The following chart outlines various data-gathering tools used for evaluation. Any evaluation is more beneficial when objectives and questions are established prior to the selection of evaluation tools. The more tools used to address the same question the better the quality of the data information obtained. The tools can also be used to evaluate two sides of an issue.

### **EVALUATION DATA-GATHERING TOOLS MATRIX...**

On the next page are two matrixes which illustrate the measurement tools in addressing the Efficiency and Effectiveness of the park programs.

The source of these matrixes...

*\* Taken from seminar given by Dr. Ruth Russell, Associate Professor and Assistant Chairperson, Department of Recreation and Park Administration, Indiana University, at the Annual State Conference of the Indiana Parks and Recreation Association, September 24, 1990.*

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#### MEASURES OF PROGRAM EFFICIENCY...

<b>Instrumentation</b>	<b>What is measured</b>	<b>Assumption</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>Program Records</b>	Attendance, participant hours. Same or different participants, program variety, etc.	Assumed to indicate meeting of constituency interest	Low attendance or lack of variety may indicate lack of need rather than poor program
<b>User Rating</b>	Physical attractiveness of program sites, schedule suitability, staff attitudes, crowdedness, etc.	Assumed that attractive sites, convenient schedules, perky staff, etc. attract participants.	May wish to look at the number of potential users who stay away because of these.
<b>Standards Checklists</b>	Desired safety levels, desired participant-to-staff ratios, desired number of programs, etc.	Assumed that maintaining a certain level of standards will attract more participants.	Important to look not only at preset standards but also participants' perceptions of these standards; criteria can often be vague.
<b>Self-Appraisals</b>	Need for programs, supervisory and leadership competency, managerial style, organizational size and configuration.	Assumed that certain types of agency characteristics are directly associated with more efficient programs.	Must be conducted with objectivity and unbiased care to be worthwhile.
<b>Financial Auditing</b>	Program expenditures and income.	Assumed that high expenditures and low income are inefficient.	Depends on the financial resources of the agency.
<b>Time-and-Motion Study</b>	Staff time and energy expenditures	Assumed that low staff time commitments and much program productivity are efficient.	Depends on newness and creativity of the programs.

#### MEASURES OF PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS...

<b>Instrumentation</b>	<b>What is measured</b>	<b>Assumption</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>Attitude Scales</b>	Learned ways of thinking and feeling.	Assumed that a participant's attitude will indicate program behavior and thus enjoyment.	Before the scale can be trusted it must be sure of reliability, validity, and objectivity.
<b>Case and Field Study</b>	A specific program or participant, in-depth and all-inclusive	Assumed that complete understanding of an entity will reveal why or why not it is effective.	Very time consuming, requires some research skills.
<b>Sociogram</b>	Internal nature of groups, attainment of sociological performance objectives.	Assumed to indicate how participants are affected by their involvement in a program group.	Can also be useful in dividing participants into comparable groups.
<b>Behavior Observation</b>	Recreational skills, actions, behavior of program participants.	Assumed that a change in behavior at end of program reflects program effect.	Requires extreme objectivity.
<b>Opinion Questionnaire</b>	Program appeal and popularity	Assumed that a popular program is an effective program.	Such measures do not always truly indicate program effect.



**Park and Recreation Programming for the Future**

*(The following was taken from Northwestern Indiana Regional Plan Commission's 1977 Park and Recreation Master Plan study.) While some of this information may be dated information it does provide a good structure in organizing and planning for recreational programming.*

**STATEMENT OF PROGRAM PLANNING PRINCIPLES**

It is important at this point that Mooresville address itself to the development of a total, year-round recreation program. In order to achieve this several items must be dealt with...

- 1) all resources available must be used, both human and physical;
- 2) total cooperation among and between both civil and private facilities and groups must occur; and
- 3) the application of a sound program principle must be used.

**PROGRAM PLANNING PRINCIPLES—**

The following principles coupled with the ever expanding recreation opportunities can aid a department in the development of the TOTAL recreation program.

- 1. Community recreation should serve all elements in the community without discrimination on the

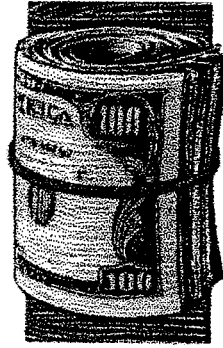
basis of age, sex, race, religion, or social or economic class.

- 2. Community recreation should meet significant social needs, should be couched within a framework of democratic social values, and should provide constructive and creative leisure opportunity for all.
- 3. Community recreation should provide a varied range of activities and provide diversity and balance.
- 4. Community recreation programs should involve community residents in planning and carrying on activities.
- 5. Special groups in the community should be served by recreation programs.
- 6. Recreation activities should be consciously selected and conducted so as to meet significant needs of participants.
- 7. Recreation programs should be scheduled with flexibility so as to meet the needs of participants most effectively.
- 8. Recreation programs should be planned to make the fullest and most imaginative use of all community facilities.
- 9. Recreation programs should be supervised and administered by qualified individuals.

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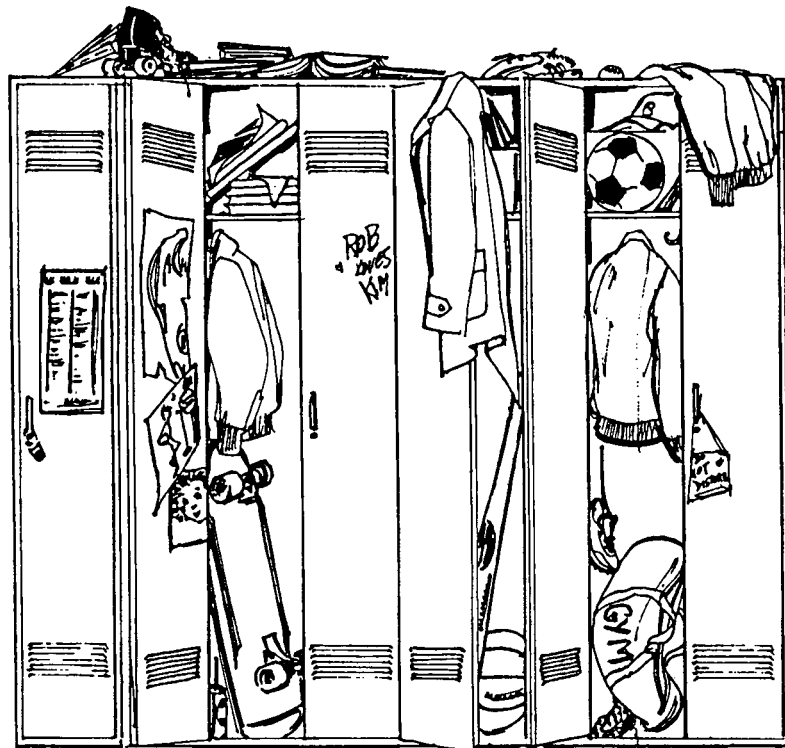
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10. Community recreation programs should be meaningfully interpreted to the public at large through effective communications media and joint planning processes.
11. Recreation programs should be regularly and systematically evaluated to determine whether they are meeting departmental objectives and community needs.



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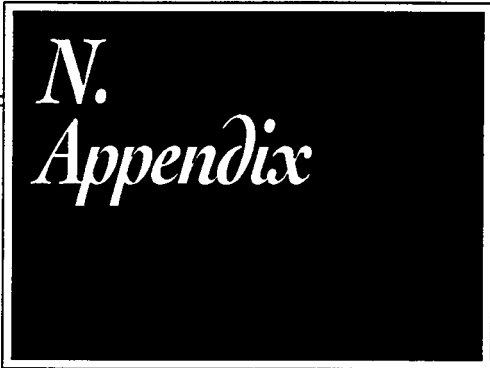
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- Position Descriptions of Park Departmental Staff.
- Resolution regarding ADA Compliance.
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# Statewide Public Outdoor Recreation Areas Inventory

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### Statewide Public Outdoor Recreation Areas Inventory

This information will be used by DNR in preparation of the SCORP and in special studies; it is also available to other interested persons. Please fill out one form for each recreation area which is controlled by the park board.

Name of Recreation Area: OLD TOWN PARK

County: MORGAN

Location/Address of Area: (So that the area can be found; no P.O. Boxes, please!)

SOUTH & PARK STREET

Name of Owning/Operating Agency:

TOWN OF MOORESVILLE/PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

Type of Owner/Operator:

( \_\_\_ Federal, \_\_\_ State, \_\_\_ County, \_\_\_ Twp., XX Municipal)

Type of Area:

(Check 1 ONLY; what it's called OR what it primarily is.)

( X Park/Recreation Area, \_\_\_ Forest, \_\_\_ Fish/Wildlife Area, \_\_\_ Access Site (Fish/Boat),

\_\_\_ State Dedicated Nature Preserve, \_\_\_ Reservoir, \_\_\_ Historic/Cultural Area

Acreage under Agency Control: (Land & water) 7 ACRES

(Round to the nearest whole number; if fraction is 1/2, round UP when the whole number is EVEN and DOWN when the whole number is ODD. Example: 10.5 would become 11, and 9.5 would become 9.)

Name of Lake(s) or Stream(s): (On or abutting the property)

EAST FORK OF BABY WHITE LICK CREEK

Acreage of Lake(s) within Area:

(ONLY for lakes TOTALLY contained within the property boundaries; round the number as above.)

LWCF: (Were Land & Water Conservation Funds used on the property?) ( \_\_\_ Yes, XX No)

Activities/Facilities: (Check if available; only include numbers where # is indicated.)

\_\_\_ Boat launching ramp, \_\_\_ boat docks ( \_\_\_ overnight mooring), \_\_\_ boat rental, \_\_\_ waterskiing, \_\_\_ canoeing,  
\_\_\_ fishing pier, \_\_\_ bank fishing, XX picnicking (# 1 picnic shelters), \_\_\_ Class AA camping (full hookups),  
\_\_\_ Class A camping (modern restrooms, electricity), \_\_\_ Class B camping (modern restrooms OR electricity),  
\_\_\_ Class C camping (primitive), XX playground, \_\_\_ swimming beach, # \_\_\_ swimming pools, # \_\_\_ tennis courts,  
# 2 softball/baseball diamonds, # \_\_\_ football/soccer fields, # \_\_\_ basketball courts, \_\_\_ golf, \_\_\_ miniature golf,  
\_\_\_ handball/racquetball, \_\_\_ horseshoe courts, \_\_\_ shuffleboard courts, \_\_\_ volleyball, \_\_\_ foot trails, \_\_\_ fitness trails,  
\_\_\_ bike trails, \_\_\_ horse trails, \_\_\_ ORV trails, \_\_\_ backpacking, \_\_\_ group camp buildings, \_\_\_ cabins, \_\_\_ inns,  
\_\_\_ hunting, \_\_\_ shooting range, \_\_\_ archery range, \_\_\_ zoo, \_\_\_ nature interpretation ( \_\_\_ nature center),  
\_\_\_ cultural/historic interpretation, \_\_\_ visitor center, \_\_\_ amphitheaters, \_\_\_ snowmobile trails,  
\_\_\_ ice skating ( \_\_\_ warming shelter), \_\_\_ X-country skiing, \_\_\_ downhill skiing, \_\_\_ sledding/tobogganing,  
\_\_\_ other: LOG CABIN FOR BOY SCOUTS USE ONLY

Comments: RESTROOMS AND WATER FOUNTAINS

MAINTAINED UNDER CONTRACT WITH LIONS CLUB



# Statewide Public Outdoor Recreation Areas Inventory

## Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

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Name of Recreation Area: HADLEY MEMORIAL

County: MORGAN

Location/Address of Area: (So that the area can be found; no P.O. Boxes, please!)  
MAIN & Indiana Street

Name of Owning/Operating Agency:  
TOWN OF MOORESVILLE/PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

Type of Owner/Operator:  
(  Federal,  State,  County,  Twp.,  Municipal)

Type of Area: (Check 1 ONLY; what it's called OR what it primarily is.)  
(  Park/Recreation Area,  Forest,  Fish/Wildlife Area,  Access Site (Fish/Boat),  
 State Dedicated Nature Preserve,  Reservoir,  Historic/Cultural Area

Acres under Agency Control: (Land & water)  
(Round to the nearest whole number; if fraction is 1/2, round UP when the whole number is EVEN and DOWN when the whole number is ODD. Example: 10.5 would become 11, and 9.5 would become 9.)

Name of Lake(s) or Stream(s): (On or abutting the property)

NONE

Acres of Lake(s) within Area:  
(ONLY for lakes-TOTALLY contained within the property boundaries; round the number as above.)

NONE

LWCF: (Were Land & Water Conservation Funds used on the property?) (  Yes,  No)

Activities/Facilities: (Check if available; only include numbers where # is indicated.)  
 Boat launching ramp,  boat docks (  overnight mooring),  boat rental,  waterskiing,  canoeing,  
 fishing pier,  bank fishing,  picnicking (#  picnic shelters),  Class AA camping (full hookups),  
 Class A camping (modern restrooms, electricity),  Class B camping (modern restrooms OR electricity),  
 Class C camping (primitive),  playground,  swimming beach, #  swimming pools, #  tennis courts,  
#  softball/baseball diamonds, #  football/soccer fields, #  basketball courts,  golf,  miniature golf,  
 handball/racquetball,  horseshoe courts,  shuffleboard courts,  volleyball,  foot trails,  fitness trails,  
 bike trails,  horse trails,  ORV trails,  backpacking,  group camp buildings,  cabins,  inns,  
 hunting,  shooting range,  archery range,  zoo,  nature interpretation (  nature center),  
 cultural/historic interpretation,  visitor center,  amphitheaters,  snowmobile trails,  
 ice skating (  warming shelter),  X-country skiing,  downhill skiing,  sledding/tobogganing,  
 other: SMALL MEMORIAL WITH PARK BENCH

Comments:  
FLOWERS IN THIS PARK ARE MAINTAINED BY GARDEN CLUB

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Name of Recreation Area: NORTH PARK

County: MORGAN

Location/Address of Area: (So that the area can be found; no P.O. Boxes, please!)

GREENWOOD DRIVE

Name of Owning/Operating Agency:  
TOWN OF MOORESVILLE/PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

Type of Owner/Operator:  
( \_\_\_ Federal, \_\_\_ State, \_\_\_ County, \_\_\_ Twp., XX Municipal)

Type of Area: (Check 1 ONLY; what it's called OR what it primarily is.)  
( X Park/Recreation Area, \_\_\_ Forest, \_\_\_ Fish/Wildlife Area, \_\_\_ Access Site (Fish/Boat),  
\_\_\_ State Dedicated Nature Preserve, \_\_\_ Reservoir, \_\_\_ Historic/Cultural Area

Acres under Agency Control: (Land & water) 5 ACRES  
(Round to the nearest whole number; if fraction is 1/2, round UP when the whole number is EVEN and DOWN when the whole number is ODD. Example: 10.5 would become 11, and 9.5 would become 9.)

Name of Lake(s) or Stream(s): (On or abutting the property)  
GOOSE CREEK

Acres of Lake(s) within Area:  
(ONLY for lakes TOTALLY contained within the property boundaries; round the number as above.)

LWCF: (Were Land & Water Conservation Funds used on the property?) ( \_\_\_ Yes, XX No)

Activities/Facilities: (Check if available; only include numbers where # is indicated.)  
\_\_\_ Boat launching ramp, \_\_\_ boat docks ( \_\_\_ overnight mooring), \_\_\_ boat rental, \_\_\_ waterskiing, \_\_\_ canoeing,  
\_\_\_ fishing pier, \_\_\_ bank fishing, XX picnicking (# 1 picnic shelters), \_\_\_ Class AA camping (full hookups),  
\_\_\_ Class A camping (modern restrooms, electricity), \_\_\_ Class B camping (modern restrooms OR electricity),  
\_\_\_ Class C camping (primitive), XX playground, \_\_\_ swimming beach, # \_\_\_ swimming pools, # \_\_\_ tennis courts,  
# \_\_\_ softball/baseball diamonds, # \_\_\_ football/soccer fields, # 1 basketball courts, \_\_\_ golf, \_\_\_ miniature golf,  
\_\_\_ handball/racquetball, \_\_\_ horseshoe courts, \_\_\_ shuffleboard courts, \_\_\_ volleyball, \_\_\_ foot trails, \_\_\_ fitness trails,  
\_\_\_ bike trails, \_\_\_ horse trails, \_\_\_ ORV trails, \_\_\_ backpacking, \_\_\_ group camp buildings, \_\_\_ cabins, \_\_\_ inns,  
\_\_\_ hunting, \_\_\_ shooting range, \_\_\_ archery range, \_\_\_ zoo, \_\_\_ nature interpretation ( \_\_\_ nature center),  
\_\_\_ cultural/historic interpretation, \_\_\_ visitor center, \_\_\_ amphitheaters, \_\_\_ snowmobile trails,  
\_\_\_ ice skating ( \_\_\_ warming shelter), \_\_\_ X-country skiing, \_\_\_ downhill skiing, \_\_\_ sledding/tobogganing,  
\_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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Name of Recreation Area: PIONEER PARK

County: MORGAN

Location/Address of Area: (So that the area can be found; no P.O. Boxes, please!)

1101 NORTH INDIANAPOLIS ROAD

Name of Owning/Operating Agency:

TOWN OF MOORESVILLE/PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

Type of Owner/Operator:

( Federal,  State,  County,  Twp.,  Municipal)

Type of Area:

(Check 1 ONLY; what it's called OR what it primarily is.)

( Park/Recreation Area,  Forest,  Fish/Wildlife Area,  Access Site (Fish/Boat),

State Dedicated Nature Preserve,  Reservoir,  Historic/Cultural Area

Acres under Agency Control: (Land & water) 104 ACRES

(Round to the nearest whole number; if fraction is 1/2, round UP when the whole number is EVEN and DOWN when the whole number is ODD. Example: 10.5 would become 11, and 9.5 would become 9.)

Name of Lake(s) or Stream(s): (On or abutting the property)

EAST FORK OF BABY WHITE LICK CREEK

Acres of Lake(s) within Area:

(ONLY for lakes TOTALLY contained within the property boundaries; round the number as above.)

LWCF: (Were Land & Water Conservation Funds used on the property?) ( Yes,  No)

Activities/Facilities: (Check if available; only include numbers where # is indicated.)

Boat launching ramp,  boat docks ( overnight mooring),  boat rental,  waterskiing,  canoeing,  
 fishing pier,  bank fishing,  picnicking (#4 picnic shelters),  Class AA camping (full hookups),  
 Class A camping (modern restrooms, electricity),  Class B camping (modern restrooms OR electricity),  
 Class C camping (primitive),  playground,  swimming beach, # 1 swimming pools, #  tennis courts,  
# 6 softball/baseball diamonds, # 2 football/soccer fields, # 1 basketball courts,  golf,  miniature golf,  
 handball/racquetball, 3 horseshoe courts,  shuffleboard courts, 2 volleyball, 1 foot trails,  fitness trails,  
 bike trails,  horse trails,  ORV trails,  backpacking,  group camp buildings,  cabins,  inns,  
 hunting,  shooting range,  archery range,  zoo,  nature interpretation ( nature center),  
 cultural/historic interpretation,  visitor center,  amphitheaters,  snowmobile trails,  
 ice skating ( warming shelter),  X-country skiing,  downhill skiing,  sledding/tobogganing,  
 other: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: RESTROOMS, ELECTRICITY; WATER FOUNTAINS, BATH HOUSE AND CONCESSION AREA  
POOL WITH WATER SLIDE AND BABY POOL

## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

# Survey focuses on park

Mooresville residents  
to get say on programs

By **SUSAN BAUGHMAN**  
News Correspondent

MOORESVILLE, Ind. — A survey is being used to assess public awareness of Mooresville Pioneer Park programs and facilities and to evaluate ideas for new programs.

Brent Callahan, Park Department director, told the Mooresville Town Council on Tuesday that the survey is being distributed in Mooresville and Brown Township.

Callahan said growth in the area may change public needs for some sporting areas such as soccer fields and running paths. The park presently serves an estimated 10,049 residents.

The survey touches on park usage, community needs and opinions about the use of finances for park improvement.

Reporting on park programs, Callahan said Pioneer Park is starting its third year of swimming pool improvements.

He said 15,000 more square feet of sunbathing surface is being added to a 20,000-square-foot surface.

Each summer, classes for all ages are offered at the pool in swimming, diving, water aerobics and scuba diving, according to Callahan.

The Park Board is working with the State Department of Natural Resources to fund an Arbor Day celebration in Pioneer Park for Mooresville third-graders. Each child would receive a tree and a certificate of participation, Callahan said.

The program seeks to help children become more conscious of the environment, Callahan said.

Bike races are planned in March and April at the park, he said.

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## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

# Park board passes \$300,000 proposal for 1991 budget

6-12-91

by Rick Moore

Mooresville Park & Recreation Board is proposing a 1992 budget of nearly \$300,000, an increase of \$50,000 over 1991.

The board Monday evening approved submitting a budget proposal of \$299,229 to the Mooresville Town Council, which prepares the budget for submission to the state. This year's budget was \$249,229.

Park Superintendent Brent Callahan said the park has experienced an increase in public use and the budget increase can be funded by park revenues, including pool admissions and concessions, without an increase in the tax levy.

Much of the budget increase will go for park personnel including longevity pay and overtime, concession supplies and insurance.

### July Fest

The board gave its approval to final plans for the first-ever July Fest, sched-

uled July 3-4 in Pioneer Park. The plans were prepared by the Mooresville Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and Ladies' Auxiliary, co-sponsors of the event along with the Chamber of Commerce.

Park board president Al Hornaday lauded VFW Commander Bill Finney and his group's work. The VFW will sponsor a food tent both days of the festival. Other activities will include a concert on July 3 by Britt Small & Festival; a welcome home for Gulf War veterans by Mothers Against Saddam Hussein; hot air balloon tethered rides; sky-diving; gymnastics and dance exhibitions; contests for ugliest and greatest legs and babies; a rock concert by Street Lethal, and many games.

Activities will run 3-10 pm on July 3 and 11 am to 7 pm on July 4.

### Zoo proposal

Rick Barlow proposed that the board consider a small zoo for Pioneer Park. Barlow, a Mooresville native who now lives in eastern Hendricks County, owns several exotic animals including a tiger, lions, cougars, black bear, gibbon, monkeys and snakes.

The board said it would keep Barlow's proposal in mind for long-range plans, but members feared problems the zoo could create including costs and maintenance.

Barlow said the zoo could be done with a small investment and could pay for itself with proper management. He proposed animals different than those found at the Indianapolis Zoo to create interest. He said probably two acres would be needed and feeding costs would be \$200 to \$300 per month.

"I personally see a tremendous amount of problems in maintenance and things like this," Hornaday said. "I can see a lot of money spent."

Callahan reported that hot weather has resulted in a big attendance increase at the Pioneer Park swimming pool over last year. In the first nine days the pool was open in 1990 a total of 600 admissions were paid. In 10 days this year, the total was 5,976.

"It appears the pool deck expansion was much appreciated," said Callahan.

There are 140 youngsters enrolled for a summer playground program in the park. Swimming lessons also started this week.

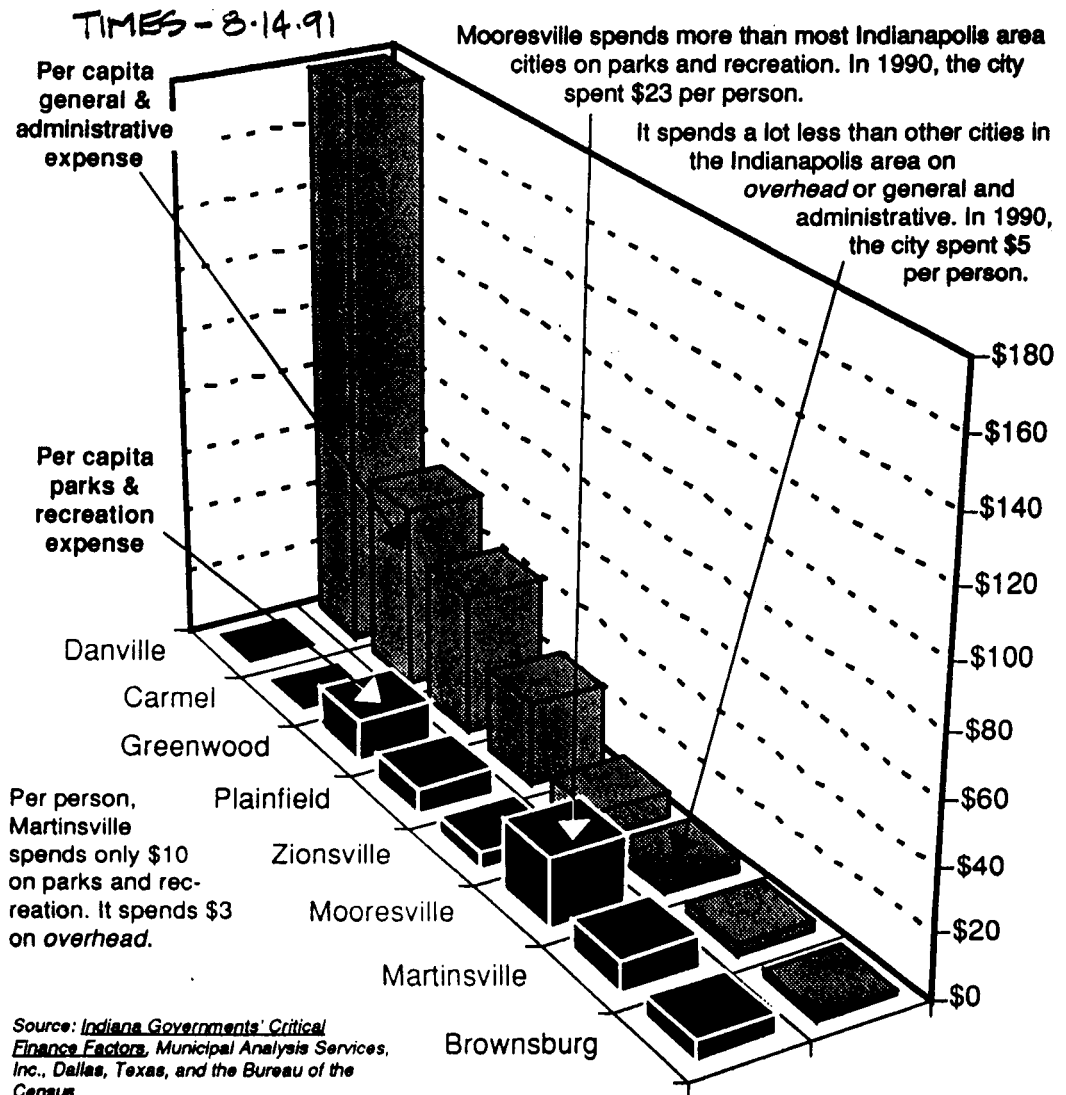
The board approved hiring two park employees: David Manning for pool concessions and playground; Bill McCullen for night security.

Callahan said he is preparing a draft of the park's master plan to submit for state grants review. He hopes the plan can earn some matching fund grant money from the Department of Natural Resources Division of Outdoor Recreation.

The meeting was the first for new park board member Toby Dolen.

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## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

# Park board will prepare five-year master plan

TIMES  
8-21-91

by Rick Moore

A five-year master plan for Mooresville's Pioneer Park should be prepared by the fall of 1992.

The Park & Recreation Board Monday evening agreed to hire a landscape architecture and planning firm, Lehman & Lehman Inc., to serve as consultants in preparing the plan. Under the agreement, the cost is not to exceed \$6,350.

Mooresville's last park plan was for the years 1983-88. Plans must be updated in order for the district to be eligible for state or federal funds. Plans are reviewed and approved by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

It is too late for the 1991 approval process, but park officials expect the new plan to be adopted by fall 1992.

"It's time we moved on this. We put it off way too long," said park board president Al Hornaday.

The park district will supply much of the data used in the plan process, including results of a public survey taken earlier this year. Board members Carolyn Lindley and Donna Young are working with park superintendent Brent Callahan as a committee on the plan.

Public meetings will be scheduled for citizen input and review of the plan.

Components of the plan will include: progress evaluation, park agency profile, community description, inventory, maintenance, issues, priorities, action plan and adoption by resolution.

The final plan will be written and published by the consultants.

### Unused park area

Park board members discussed ways they might use 7-12 acres of ground located east of the creek at Pioneer Park. They hope to receive more suggestions from park patrons.

Lindley submitted several ideas, centering on a nature theme. Suggestions included a forest habitat, tree and

flower identification, boxes to feed birds and squirrels, a small pond and a primitive camping area. She also suggested school children might be able to use the park to study ecology, the environment, soil and water conservation, and recycling.

Board member Bill Roberson suggested the possibility of a bridge to the area and perhaps more shelter houses. Callahan said more ideas could be discussed during public meetings on the master plan.

### Lions Club requests

Four representatives of the Mooresville Lions Club told the board about their concern about rental of the shelterhouse at Old Town Park. The club maintains the park under an agreement with the park district. The club sponsors the annual Old Settlers Picnic at the park.

Lion Andy Pygman said the club heard fees were being charged to use the shelterhouse and the Lions thought that a violation of their agreement. They want the issue addressed in a new agreement next year.

Hornaday said he didn't see the issue as a big problem and said he was sure the problem can be worked out. Board members want their attorney, Tim Currens, to look at the issue before making a decision.

### Pool to close

Callahan said the park swimming pool will close Aug. 27-30 as Mooresville students go back to school. The park will reopen Aug. 31 and Sept. 1-2 for Labor Day weekend, then close for the remainder of the year.

Callahan said the pool will be repainted before opening next year.

Dan Daly presented the board with two pictures from the Mooresville Bike Classic, held at Pioneer Park.

The next park board meeting will be Sept. 16, instead of Sept. 9 due to a conflict.

## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

# Public provides input on parks master plan

9-18-91

by Rick Moore

Only eight citizens attended Monday evening's public hearing on a new five-year master plan for the Mooresville Parks & Recreation Department, but there was no shortage of ideas.

The parks department received several suggestions for improvements that could be considered in the plan which is to be developed over the next few months.

Chuck Lehman, a landscape architect and consultant, is preparing the master plan which needs to be in place for the parks department to be eligible for state and federal funding.

The park district includes all of Brown Township and a couple of the citizens attending live on the east side of SR 67 where there are no local parks. Pat Carroll said that much of the town's housing growth is occurring east of the highway and asked that consideration be given to a park in that area, or for a pedestrian crossing.

Another resident, Bill Dornfeld, said that SR 144 could also cause a barrier to parks access on the east side of SR 67.

Representatives of the Mooresville Optimist Club soccer league asked the board to consider some soccer fields located out of a flood plain. Pioneer Park's fields are sometimes under water. The club would also like a storage/concession building in the soccer area.

Steve Edwards, town council member, asked the board to consider purchasing 30 acres to the north of Pioneer Park. Cheryl Edwards suggested lights at the swimming pool and some designated pool hours for adults only.

Mitzie Forbes suggested a use be found for some land located next to the scout cabin at Old Town Park. Steve Campbell said skateboarders need a place to skate and he said local service clubs could be asked to participate in an annual parks clean-up.

Other suggestions included: seating around the walk-trail; equipment to maintain the trail; restrooms and drinking fountains available year-around; more parking; an archery range, and other ideas.

The master plan will focus on these issues: maintenance; programs/services; facilities; staff/personnel; funding; other/miscellaneous.

The park board and Superintendent Brent Callahan had already developed a list of several ideas for the plan. Those included:

Pioneer Park - fitness course; parking; ampitheatre; lighting; bridge access to land east of the creek; utility expansion; more picnic tables; shelter houses; tennis courts; horseshoe courts; frisbee golf; improvements to the front gate; gazebos; nature center; playground surfacing, and development of 7-12 acres east of the creek.

North Park - update playground equipemnt; update bridge.

Old Town Park - update playground equipment; update restrooms; update ballfields.

Departmental - more maintenance equipment; more personnel; strengthen ties with schools for programs and facilities; community center & gym; more park land in growth areas.



## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

# Park board wants to set up new funds

10-16-91

by Rick Moore

Mooresville's Park & Recreation Board is taking steps to see that the park district can use money earned through swimming pool, shelter house and other fees from year to year for future projects.

The board wants to establish two non-reverting funds: one where money could be used for park activities and another where the money could be used for land acquisition and capital improvements.

At Monday evening's park board meeting, attorney Tim Currens distributed copies of a proposed ordinance to establish the non-reverting funds. The board may vote to approve the ordinance at its Nov. 18 meeting. The ordinance would then have to be passed by the Mooresville Town Council.

The new funds would allow the revenue from park fees to be saved for later use without having to encumber the money at the end of each year or provide for the funds in the next year's budget.

The park board would designate how much of the money from fees would be deposited in each fund. One of the funds would be used to pay operating expenses at the swimming pool or fund other park activities. The capital fund

would be used for buying land or for capital improvements such as construction.

### Halloween Hike

The park board is anticipating 400 to 500 children attending the second annual Halloween Hike in Pioneer Park. The event will be Thursday, Oct. 31 from 7 to 8:30 pm.

Park board organizers Carolyn Lindley and Donna Young told the board there will be many activities. Children are asked to come in costume. There will be costume judging and many other activities such as hayrides, a haunted house, art contest, 'ghost roast,' ghost stories, headless horseman, fingerprinting and more. Refreshments and prizes are also part of the evening.

Many clubs, organizations and businesses will participate by sponsoring activities or providing prizes and refreshments. Preschool and elementary age children are welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

The park has established a special "Dial-a-Witch" phone number with information on the Halloween Hike. The number is 831-7149.

Lindley said workers will meet next Monday at 7 pm to go over details.

Board president Al Hornaday complimented the organizers' work and

said, "It's quite an improvement for our community. It gives the kids something to do rather than soap windows and throw rocks."

At its September meeting, the board compiled information on a five-year master plan. A consultant, Chuck Lehman, is organizing a plan. Superintendent Brent Callahan said an update from Lehman will probably be given at the November meeting.

Callahan reported on the work of Morgan County Jail inmates in clearing an area along White Lick Creek in Pioneer Park.

The board looked at some suggestions for year-end projects and will talk more about their options at the next meeting.

The board approved a request by member David Pearson to have the annual "Race in the Park" bicycle race on April 26. The event is sponsored by the Indiana Human Powered Vehicle Association.

The board met in closed session Monday to discuss job performance evaluations of Callahan and other park employees. The November meeting was moved from Nov. 11 to Nov. 18 due to a conflict in Hornaday's schedule.

## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

# Mooresville park board approves pay raises

11-20-91

Mooresville Park District Board of Trustees Monday night approved a pay raise for park employees, including a salary of \$32,650 for the superintendent.

The board said the pay rates climb 10 cents per hour for each year an employee returns to the same pay rate.

In other action, the board delayed until December the finishing work on the budget, passed an ordinance creating non-reverting funds for operations and capital improvements and decided to withdraw from any consideration to provide Mooresville park property as a site for a State Lions Club headquarters building.

The fund ordinance and pay raise actions were to be presented to the Town Board for its approval Tuesday night.

The pay schedule lists a rate of \$4.25 per hour for mainstay positions of lifeguard, ground maintenance, pool security I, concession, playground leader and cashier. Aquatic specialists would be paid \$7 per hour while a

manager/foreman would get \$6.25.

The salary schedule includes a listing for a director of recreation who would receive \$21,000 plus a longevity rate. That position has not yet been established. The park secretary's pay was set at \$8.50 per hour plus longevity.

Adoption of the non-reverting funds now will allow the park district to direct for what general purpose it wants budgeted funds to be used without having unspent money be returned to a general fund to be re-directed again the next year.

"This would allow the accumulation of money in the capital fund for such purposes as building or property acquisition," said attorney Tim Currens.

He said it was expected that a surplus of about \$80,000 might exist by the end of the year which then could be directed to the two funds.

The budget preparation was delayed by the certification of some property, said superintendent Brent Callahan. He added the problems were just adjustments and the spending plan would

be ready for the Dec. 9 meeting.

### Lions Club building

The board discussed a letter from the State Lions Club about locating its headquarters on park property in Mooresville. The letter was an invitation for the community if it had an interest in the project.

However, the members reached an opinion that there was not enough land in either Pioneer or Old Town Park for a 10,000-square foot building and accompanying parking space.

The board also agreed that Old Town Park use was restricted by deed specifications.

### Halloween Hike successful

The board also reveled in the success of its second Halloween Hike and hinted that the event in 1992 could be even better since the holiday falls on Saturday.

The Mooresville Police Department also requested the park board to seek a "no parking" posting along both sides of Indianapolis Road in the vicinity of Pioneer Park.

## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

by Rick Moore

Got a dream for parks in Mooresville? If so, bring it to the Mooresville Park & Recreation Board meeting next Monday at 7 pm in the park office, 1101 N. Indianapolis Road.

The park board has scheduled a public hearing to get ideas of what the public wants. The ideas will be considered as the board and park staff begin work on a five-year master plan for parks.

A consultant, Chuck Lehman of Lehman & Lehman Inc., has been hired to prepare the plan which will be distributed to the Indiana Division of Outdoor Recreation for review.

Such plans are required to be in place before state or federal grants can be obtained.

One area where ideas are sought is a tract of about 12 acres in Pioneer Park, located east of the White Lick Creek fork which runs east of the park's soccer fields.

Park board members are considering several suggestions for that area including nature trails, flower boxes, bird feeders, a pond or primitive camping.

"We're just interested in hearing their informal requests for facilities and services," says parks superintendent Brent Callahan.

Lehman has been in town to gather data on the current parks and the community. In addition to proposals for more facilities at the town's current three parks (Pioneer Park, Old Town Park and North Park), additional parks may also be considered to accommodate growth of the park district which includes all of the town of Mooresville and Brown Township.

"If they see a need for something that should be in the community we'd like to know what we can do to help," Callahan said, noting people could see a need for more picnic areas, shelter

# Public can present ideas for town parks

houses or athletic fields. "However the park relates to them, we want them to come and tell us."

Lehman, a landscape architect who has worked on about 12 similar park plans throughout Indiana, says his system is to work on a 20-year plan that can be continually amended by the park board.

"You look at the dream of a 20-year plan and your five-year plan is pretty well thought out," Lehman said. "It's a logical sequence and something that is going to meet the needs."

Issues for the plan will include: maintenance, programs/services, facilities, staff, personnel, budget and funding, etc.

Lehman said his job includes considering input from local people and seeing the strengths of the community and its parks program. It is best to build on those strengths, he said. The amount of parks and facilities in Mooresville will be compared to state and national standards, and what those guidelines say a community should have according to population.

"It's really to blossom the character of the community and their parks and recreation," he said.

Lehman said he would like to have the plan submitted for state review by this winter. The final document should be 50 to 100 pages in length and park board members can keep the plan in a three-ring binder for constant reference in their decisions.

"It will be a working tool. One the park board can use to form their budgets," Lehman said.

Over the past five years, the parks

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1992 budget of \$300,000, up some \$40,000 over the 1991 budget.

(continued from earlier page) department has expanded its facilities and programs. Most notable addition is the swimming pool in Pioneer Park,

The parks department has two full-time employees: Callahan and a secretary - bookkeeper, Melissa Rose. Through the year, the department has up to 50 part-time employees including the numerous lifeguards and concession workers at the pool, summer playground helpers, mowing and maintenance personnel.

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Callahan said the parks department will also seek help from a community planning team as the master plan is developed.

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## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

# Park budget largely unchanged for '93 6-10-92

by Rick Moore

Mooresville Park & Recreation Board Monday gave its approval to a 1993 budget proposal that is up just \$15,117 over this year.

The \$317,430 proposed budget has increases only in longevity pay for employees, and in money for the town's self insurance policy. The proposal goes to the Mooresville Town Council as it works through its 1993 budget process.

The park district has received a letter from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources saying that the state agency has reviewed the Mooresville parks master plan submitted last month. Superintendent Brent Callahan said a resolution adopting the master plan will be prepared for park board review next month.

The master plan was prepared by consultant Chuck Lehman and is good through 1996. The DNR approval means Mooresville may apply for grants.

### July Fest

Louise McClain of the Mooresville VFW Ladies' Auxiliary updated the board on plans for the second annual July Fest celebration, scheduled July 3 in Pioneer Park. McClain said the VFW is looking for more volunteers to help with the Independence Day celebration.

The tentative schedule includes: opening ceremonies at 10 am; an exhibition by Hoosier Gymnastics; children's games from 11 am to 1 pm; entertainment from a high school music act at 11:30 am; Driftwood Cloggers at noon and 4 pm; Wooden Nickel Band playing from 1-4 pm; a cake auction at 5 pm; hot air balloon rides from 5:30 to 7:30 pm; at 6 pm, a parachute jump by Uncle Sam and friend with the National Anthem sung by Dena Davis; 7 pm, Untouchables Band; 9:30 pm, Parade of Americans and closing ceremony at 10 pm with double echo bugle taps.

Food will be served from 10:30 am to 8:30 pm with a disc jockey playing intermittently through the day.

### Stop sign

Park board members at the meeting agreed to have Callahan talk to the Town Council about moving a three-way stop sign on North Indiana Street from Northfield Drive to the park entrance. Members thought traffic from the park is greater than that on Northfield Drive.

### Bike Classic

Dan Daly reported on the Mooresville Bike Classic, held May 10 at Pioneer Park. The race featured 173 riders and raised \$500 donated to Crossroads Rehabilitation Center.

Callahan reported that playground equipment is due to be installed soon at North Park.

Work has not been completed on volleyball courts in Pioneer Park. Recreation director Carla Allen says she plans to organize volleyball tournaments on June 20-21 and July 3-4. She also says leagues are planned for the end of the summer. Call the park office for more information.

The board approved use of Pioneer Park by Mooresville High School summer physical education classes.

The board approved hiring summer employees: Ryan Coe, Tony Finley, Christina Vice, Chad Clements and Cammie Haggerty.

# Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

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## Shortage of park land feared

### Mooreville master plan being created

By JANE BISHOP  
News Correspondent

MOOREVILLE, Ind. — If additional property is not acquired, Mooreville will have a shortage of park land by 1996, says a consultant developing a five-year park master plan.

Consultant Charles Lehman reported to the park board Monday that about 68 additional acres will be needed to meet standards adopted previously by the board.

He said some of the land should be used to provide a neighborhood center, four soccer fields, three softball fields,

four tennis courts and eight basketball courts.

Lehman reviewed the proposed master plan during a public hearing attended by a half a dozen town residents. The board will vote on the proposal after it is reviewed by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

The master plan cites a need for acquiring land south and east of Mooreville for potential park development. It estimates cost at \$60,000 to acquire property for neighborhood parks and \$100,000 for additional land at Pioneer Park.

Other recommendations include:

- Hiring a consultant to study the feasibility of building a community center for indoor recreation, civic events and possibly administrative offices of the

parks department. Costs were estimated at \$5,000 for the study and \$750,000 for the center.

- Improving the eastern part of Pioneer Park and possibly developing a nature center in the area. The price tag was estimated at \$80,000 for the nature center and \$50,000 to develop 25 acres on the park's east side. Building a bridge to provide access to the east side of the park would cost an additional \$50,000.

- Establishing a park foundation to provide gifts and donations for Mooreville parks.

- Computerizing maintenance schedules, inventory and work orders, at a cost of about \$10,000, and replacing maintenance equipment at about \$98,000.

- Hiring more maintenance employ-

ees as the park system grows.

- Training the maintenance staff in emergency procedures because maintenance workers often are the only personnel in the area when an accident occurs.

For Pioneer Park, the master plan also proposes additional park, more lighting in the pool area, an amphitheater, two more shelter buses, 100 more picnic tables, a fitness trail and improvements to the entry.

Lehman said some improvements could be funded with a general obligation bond, state and federal grants and donations.

He also recommended an annual review of the master plan and advised the park board to evaluate recreational needs as the population grows in Mooreville.

## Local Newspaper Articles during the Master Plan Process

Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

### Park District master plan recommends community center

by Rick Moore

A master plan written for the Mooresville Park & Recreation District proposes construction of a community center and several other projects over the next five years.

However, many of the plan's proposals are largely dependent on receiving state and federal grants or other sources of funding.

The Park & Recreation Board conducted a public hearing Monday evening on the proposed plan which the board is expected to adopt. Town Council members Tim Viles and Steve Edwards attended and complimented the plan.

The plan was compiled during the past six months by Chuck Lehman of Lehman & Lehman Inc. consulting firm from Marion. He received assistance from the board, park staff, other town and community officials, surveys and an earlier public hearing.

The park district is all of Brown Township including the town of Mooresville. Parks Superintendent Brent Callahan said the projects and cost estimates in the plan are "kind of

a best guess."

"The things called for in the plan are what could happen if all the funding sources come through," explained Callahan. "None of those things (community center etc.) are going to happen without a lot of public discussion first."

The document, compiled in ring binders for the board's use, includes an "action plan" of proposals for the next five years. The plan will be filed with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Outdoor Recreation.

The action plan includes a listing of several "wished for" projects with an estimated cost of \$1,677,500 through 1996. However, funding sources for about half that total are grants which would have to be applied for; approved and funded by state or federal agencies. Among the sources Lehman suggests are Land & Water Conservation Fund grants and a Hometown Indiana Grant.

Park Foundation

In line with the funding needs, Lehman has proposed that the park

district set up this year a Mooresville Park Foundation. The not-for-profit foundation would be able to accept donations and contributions on a tax-free basis and turn the money over to the park board for projects. A proposed foundation constitution is included.

Among the more immediate recommendations that are more realistic for the district, the plan recommended hiring a recreation director, something the board already has done. The plan recommends adding additional computer equipment for the parks department, improving the front entry gate at Pioneer Park; developing parking areas in the park; adding signage around the parks; doing an evaluation of handicapped accessibility to park facilities; starting a regular schedule of equipment maintenance and replacement, etc.

More fulltime maintenance employees are recommended.

The action plan estimates \$92,350 in project costs for 1992.

The action plan total proposals go up to \$311,850 in 1993, suggesting

construction of 10 new tennis courts; developing restrooms open the year-round in the park; improving park lighting and adding two shelter houses.

**Feasibility study**  
In 1994, the plan suggests starting work on a community center to house recreational programs, rentals, civic events, park administration, meetings and other activities. A feasibility study is recommended on the center. The 1994 cost estimate is a total of \$517,600 including \$250,000 for the center which would necessitate approval of a grant. The plan also calls for the board to look into buying more land next to Pioneer Park and look for land south and east of town. A bridge over the creek in Pioneer Park is also suggested.

The action plan estimate for 1995 is \$453,100 with \$250,000 again for community center. Other proposals are developing the land east of the creek; buying more land; constructing an amphitheatre, etc.

In 1996, the action plan estimate is \$302,600 including \$250,000 for the community center, more shelter houses, more park land.

Based on national standards for parks, Mooresville - Brown Township needs about 67 more park acres by 1996, Lehman said. That includes 27 acres for projected needs such as softball diamonds, soccer fields, tennis courts, basketball courts and a community center.

**Cooperation urged**

The park recommends developing strong cooperative relationships be-

tween the park district and other entities such as the schools, town, civic organizations, churches, etc.

Also encouraged are development of greenways, beltways and links to neighboring communities such as creeks and railroad beds. For instance, Lehman said the railroad tracks along St. Rd. 67 offer an opportunity to develop a bicycle path connecting Mooresville and Indianapolis.

Lehman encouraged the board to use the plan as a working document and conduct an annual review and update. It is also recommended that the parks department continually search for additional funding sources including grants, gifts from corporations and other methods of financing.

The park district's budget history over the last five years is outlined in the plan: 1992 - \$302,314; 1991 - \$245,382; 1990 - \$195,602; 1989 - \$185,999; 1988 - \$187,580.

Population of the park district was set at 10,332 in the plan, up 11 percent from 1980. The population is forecasted to grow 18 percent to 11,091 by 2000.

The plan contains a lot of demographic information including incomes, occupations, race, likes and dislikes for sports and leisure activities, etc.

**Park inventory**

The park district has three parks with 112.7 acres. Included are Old Town Park, North Park and Pioneer Park with 104 acres.

Results of a survey of park district residents taken last year are included in the plan.



# Park Board Resolutions

## Mooreville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

MOOREVILLE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 7 - 1992

Whereas, it is necessary for the Mooreville Park and Recreation District to have a petty cash fund for concessions and other daily activities in an amount to be determined by the Mooreville Park and Recreation District;

Whereas, said petty cash funds are to be set up with funds from a Special Nonreverting Operating Fund of the Mooreville Park and Recreation District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Mooreville Park and Recreation District Board shall set up a checking account to which funds from the Mooreville Park and Recreation District Special Nonreverting Operating Fund shall be used to fund said account for the purpose of paying for the day to day operation, activities and concession costs for the Mooreville Park and Recreation District, shall be paid.

BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED that the Park Superintendent shall have the authority to expend said funds from the checking account to take care of the day to day operation, said monies may be expended without appropriations so long as they are accounted for monthly to the Mooreville Park and Recreation District in a separate written accounting statement.

This Resolution passed and approved this 16th day of March, 1992.

MOOREVILLE PARK & RECREATION BOARD

Judy Nelson  
William E. Robson  
Paul Pearson  
Donna Young  
William  
Lauren K. Hess  
Carolyn Lindley





# Park Board Resolutions

## Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Whereas, the Congress and Senate of the United States of America has passed the American with Disabilities of 1990 (ADA), this law intended to eliminate discrimination against people with disabilities in all aspects of American life.

Whereas, the American with Disabilities Act of 1990 requires units of local government to comply with the provision set down by the act. These provision covering employment, providing government services, public transportation, public accommodations, and telecommunication opportunities for disabled Americans.

Whereas, the Mooresville Park and Recreation District shall not discriminate on the basis of disability in any employment action.

Whereas, in compliance with the American with Disabilities Act, the Mooresville Park and Recreation District will begin the required self-evaluation of programs, services, and activities to be completed by January 26, 1993.

Whereas, the Mooresville Park and Recreation District will begin a transition plan to identify and describe all structural changes and architectural barrier removal projects. This plan will be completed by July 26, 1992.

Whereas, the designated responsible employee to oversee the ADA compliance, handle complaints, seek comment from interested groups and individuals, and work on the development of an ADA transition plan shall be the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Mooresville Park and Recreation Board, that the Mooresville Park and Recreation District work toward compliance with the provisions set down in the American with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL, 1992.

Mooresville Park and Recreation  
Board

Jake Dolan  
William E. Robison  
Paul Pearson  
Donna Young  
W. H. H. H.  
Laurie K. H. H.  
Carolyn L. H. H.



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ORDINANCE NO. 4-1987

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE TOWN OF MOORESVILLE, INDIANA

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SECTION I. REPEAL OF PRIOR ORDINANCES. By the enactment of this ordinance, any prior ordinances creating a separate park or recreation authority are hereby repealed.

SECTION II. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. Under the provisions of Indiana Code 36-10-3-1 et seq., there is hereby established a department of parks and recreations consisting of a park and recreation board, a superintendent, and other personnel as that board determines.

SECTION III. BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION MEMBERSHIP. The Board shall be composed of five (5) members with two (2) additional ex-officio members said members being appointed as follows:

a. Four (4) members to be appointed by the executive of the Civil Town of Mooresville, namely the president of the Board of Trustees. These members shall be appointed on the basis of their interest in and knowledge of parks and recreation, but no more than two (2) members may be affiliated with the same political party.

b. The two (2) ex-officio members shall be appointed as follows:

1. A member of the governing body of the Mooresville Consolidated School Corporation to be selected by that body for a term of office of one (1) year from the date of appointment, and

2. A member of the governing body of the Mooresville Library Board district with that member to be selected by the Library Board of the district for a period of one (1) year with that term expiring one (1) year from date of appointment, and

c. One member from the unincorporated area of Brown Township with said member to be appointed by the Circuit Court Judge of Morgan County based upon the same qualifications and for the same term as other regular members and said member shall have the same powers and duties. In the event there is an additional unincorporated area approved and added to the park district then the Circuit Court Judge shall make the selection of members so as to maintain the bipartisan character of the Board as far as possible and as each additional member is appointed the quorum of the Board shall increase by one (1).

SECTION V. TERM OF OFFICE. Upon the establishment of a board, the term of the members initially appointed shall be one member for a term of one (1) year; one member for a term of two (2) years; one member for a term of three (3) years; one member for a term of four (4) years. As a term expires, each new appointment is for a four (4) year term. All terms expire on the first (1st) Monday in January, but a member continues in office until his successor is appointed.

The member appointed by the Circuit Court Judge for the unincorporated area of Brown Township shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years and said term shall expire the first (1st) Monday in January after said four (4) year term; however, this member shall continue in office until his successor is appointed.

Each of the ex-officio members shall be appointed on an annual basis with their term expiring the first (1st) Monday in January of each year, however, said member shall continue in office until his successor is appointed.

SECTION VI: BOARD MEETINGS. The meetings of the Board shall be public. The Board shall fix the time and place of its meetings so that it shall meet at least quarterly.

At its first regular meeting each year the Board shall elect a president and a vice-president. The vice-president may act as president during the absence or disability of the president. The Board may select a secretary either from within or outside its membership.

SECTION VII. QUORUM. A majority of the members constitutes a quorum.

SECTION VIII. COMPENSATION OF BOARD MEMBERS. Members of the Board shall receive a salary of \$20.00 per meeting and if the Board determines that it is desirable for members or employees to attend a state, regional or national conference dealing with parks and recreation problems, it may authorize the payment of the actual expenses involved in attending such meetings if the amount has been made available in the Board appropriation.

SECTION IX. DUTIES OF THE BOARD. The Board shall:

1. exercise general supervision of and make rules for the department;
2. establish rules governing the use of the park and recreation facilities;
3. provide police protection for its property and activities, either by requesting assistance from state, municipal or county police authorities, or by having specified employees deputized as police officers; the deputized employees, however, are not eligible for police pension benefits or other benefits of police officers;
4. appoint the necessary administrative officers of the department and fix their duties;
5. establish standards and qualifications for the appointment of all personnel and approve their appointments without regard to politics;
6. make recommendations and an annual report to the executive and fiscal body of the unit concerning the operation of the Board and the status of park and recreation programs in the district;
7. prepare and submit an annual budget in the manner as other executive departments of the unit;

8. appoint a member of the board to serve on another kind of board or commission, whenever, a statute allows a park or recreation board to do this.

The Board shall fix the compensation of officers and personnel appointed under paragraphs 4 and 5 above, subject to Indiana Code 36-4-7-5 and Indiana Code 36-4-7-6.

SECTION X. POWERS OF THE BOARD. The Board shall have the general power to perform all acts necessary to acquire and develop sites and facilities and to conduct such programs as are generally understood to be park and recreation functions. In addition to all other powers necessary to achieve the general objectives of the Board, the Board shall have, for park and recreation purposes, the power to:

1. enter into contracts and leases for facilities and services;

2. contract with persons for joint use of facilities for the operation of park and recreation programs and related services;

3. contract with another board, a unit, or a school corporation for the use of park and recreation facilities or services, and a township or school corporation may contract with the Board for the use of park and recreation facilities or services;

4. acquire and dispose of real and personal property, either within or outside Indiana;

5. exercise the power of eminent domain under statutes available to municipalities;

6. sell, lease, or enter into a royalty contract for the natural or mineral resources of land that it owns, the money received to be deposited in a non-reverting capital fund of the Board;

7. engage in self-supporting activities as prescribed by Indiana Code 36-10-3-22;

8. contract for special and temporary services and for professional assistance;

9. delegate authority to perform ministerial acts in all cases except where final action of the board is necessary;

10. prepare, publish and distribute reports and other materials relating to activities authorized by this chapter;

11. sue, and be sued collectively by its legal name as the Department of Parks and Recreation of the Town of Mooresville, Indiana, with service of process being had upon the President of the Board, but costs may not be taxed against the Board or its members in any action;

12. invoke any legal, equitable, or special remedy for the enforcement of I.C. 36-10-3-1 through I.C. 36-10-3-39, a park or recreation ordinance, or the Board's own action taken under either; and

13. release and transfer, by resolution, a part of the area over which it has jurisdiction for park and recreational purposes to park authorities of another unit for park and recreational purposes upon petition of the park or recreation board of the acquiring unit.

SECTION XI. APPOINTMENT OF SUPERINTENDENT. The Board may appoint a superintendent of parks and recreation. The Board may not consider political affiliation in the selection of this superintendent but shall base the appointment upon the qualifications by training and/or experience in the field of parks and recreation and other abilities needed to perform this job for the Department of Parks and Recreation of the Civil Town of Mooresville.

1. Superintendent of Parks and Recreation shall act at the direction of the Board.

The Board and its employees shall have all other powers and duties under Indiana Code 36-10-3-1 through Indiana Code 36-10-3-39 which are not enumerated herein.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
CIVIL TOWN OF MOORESVILLE

Richard E. Heald (signed)  
Patricia J. Overholser (signed)  
Stephen A. Edwards (signed)  
Jack Forbes (signed)

ATTEST:

Janet L. Hood (signed)  
Clerk-Treasurer

**MOORESVILLE PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT**

**PARK & RECREATION SUPERINTENDENT**

**JOB DESCRIPTION, CHAIN OF COMMAND, DUTIES**

**PRESENTED TO:  
TOWN COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 19, 1991**



The Mooresville Town Board passed Ordinance #4-1987 this outlined specific responsibilities, chain of command, duties and qualifications for the superintendent.

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PARK BOARD

36-10-3-10 Board of park and recreation; duties

Sec.10. (a) The board shall:

- (1) exercise general supervision of and make rules for the department;
- (2) establish rules governing the use of the park and recreation facilities by the public;
- (3) provide police protection for its property and activities, either by requesting assistance from state, municipal, or county police authorities, or by having specified employees deputized as police officers; the deputized employees, however, are not eligible for police pension benefits or other emoluments of police officers;
- (4) appoint the necessary administrative officers of the department and fix their duties;
- (5) establish standards and qualifications for the appointment of all personnel and approve their appointments without regard to politics;
- (6) make recommendations and an annual report to the executive and fiscal body of the unit concerning the operation of the board and the status of park and recreation programs in the district;
- (7) prepare and submit an annual budget in the same manner as other executive departments of the unit; and
- (8) appoint a member of the board to serve on another kind of board or commission, whenever a statute allows a park or recreation board to do this.

(b) In a municipality, the board shall fix the compensation of officers and personnel appointed under subsections (a)(4) and (a)(5), subject to IC 36-4-7-5 and IC 36-4-7-6. As added by Acts 1981, P.L.309, SEC.110.

36-10-3-11 Board of park and recreation; powers

Sec. 11. (a) The board may:

- (1) enter into contracts and leases for facilities and services;
- (2) contract with persons for joint use of facilities for the operation of park and recreation programs and related services;
- (3) contract with another board, a unit, or a school corporation for the use of park and recreation facilities or services, and a township or school corporation may contract with the board for the use of park and recreation facilities or services;
- (4) acquire and dispose of real and personal property, either within or outside Indiana;

- (5) exercise the power of eminent domain under statutes available to municipalities;
- (6) sell, lease or enter into a royalty contract for the natural or mineral resources of land that it owns, the money received to be deposited in a nonreverting capital fund of the board;
- (7) engage in self-supporting activities as prescribed by section 22 of this chapter;
- (8) contract for special and temporary services and for professional assistance;
- (9) delegate authority to perform ministerial acts in all cases except where final action of the board is necessary;
- (10) prepare, publish, and distribute reports and other materials relating to activities authorized by this chapter;
- (11) sue and be sued collectively by its legal name, as the "                     (unit's name) Park and Recreation Board", with service of process being had upon the president of the board, but costs may not be taxed against the board or its members in any action;
- (12) invoke any legal, equitable, or special remedy for the enforcement of this chapter, a park or recreation ordinance, or the boards's own action taken under either; and
- (13) release and transfer, by resolution, a part of the area over which it has jurisdiction for park and recreational purposes to park authorities of another unit for park and recreational purposes upon petition of the park or recreation board of the acquiring unit.

(b) The board may also lease any buildings or grounds belonging to the unit and located within a park to a person for a period not to exceed twenty-five (25) years. The lease may authorize the lessee to provide upon the premises educational, research, veterinary, or other proper facilities for the exhibition of wild or domestic animals in wildlife parks, dining facilities, a bathhouse, skating facilities, dancing facilities, or amusement rides generally found in amusement parks. A lease may be made for more than one (1) year only to the highest and best bidder, after notice that the lease will be made has been given by publication in accordance with IC 5-3-1. As added by Acts 1981, P.L.309, SEC.110. Amended by Acts 1981, P.L.320, SEC.6.

## SUPERINTENDENT

36-10-3-13 Superintendent of parks and recreation; appointment; qualifications; incumbents

Sec. 13. (a) This subsection applies to counties, towns and townships. The board may appoint a superintendent of parks and recreation. The board may not consider political affiliation in the selection of the superintendent.

(b) This subsection applies to cities. If a superintendent of parks and recreation is appointed, he shall be appointed under IC 36-4-9-2 without considering political affiliation.

(c) If there is more than one (1) superintendent of any park or recreation department involved at the time the creating ordinance is adopted, the board may appoint only one (1) superintendent for the new department.

(d) The superintendent must:

(1) be qualified by training or experience in the field of parks and recreation; or

(2) have a certification or an advanced degree in the field of parks and recreation.

(e) An incumbent performing park and recreation functions in a supervisory capacity at the time a unit adopts a creating ordinance under this chapter is eligible for appointment as superintendent or as an assistant, but he must have the required training, experience, or certification. As added by Acts 1981, P.L.309, SEC.110. Amended by Acts 1981, P.L.320, SEC.7.

36-10-3-14 Superintendent of parks and recreation; duties

Sec.14 Under the direction of the board, the superintendent shall:

(1) propose annually a plan for the operation of the department;

(2) administer the plan as approved by the board;

(3) supervise the general administration of the department;

(4) keep the records of the department and preserve all papers and documents of the department;

(5) recommend persons for appointment as assistants if the board determines there is a need;

(6) appoint the employees of the department, subject to the approval of the board, according to the standards and qualifications fixed by the board and without regard to political affiliation;

(7) prepare and present to the board an annual report; and

(8) perform other duties that the board directs.

**MOORESVILLE PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT**

**SUPERINTENDENT**

**REPORTS TO:**

Board of Parks and Recreation

**SUMMARY:**

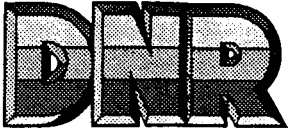
Perform all duties and responsibilities for the successful operation of the Park and Recreation Department.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Prepare annual operating budget for the Park and Recreation Department and will present it to the Park Board for its approval and then to the Town Council for its approval.
2. Authorize expenditures as approved by the board.
3. Supervise the general administration of the department.
4. Keep departmental records and be responsible for the custody and preservation of all papers and documents.
5. Subject to approval, hire full and part-time employees.
6. Prepare and present to the board an annual report.
7. Institute contract negotiations with vendor's as needed.
8. Provide for ground maintenance, building security, and recreation activities.
9. Develop and write specifications and insure those are met with all departmental purchases.
10. Draw and/or review all proposed plans for all buildings, parking lots, and other structures to be constructed on park property.
11. Employee safety training and compliance with all applicable standards (Red Cross, I.O.S.H.A, State Board Health, etc).
12. Cooperate with other Local, State and Federal agencies to insure that the department maintains it's good standing.
13. Direct/indirect supervision of the approximately 50 part-time jobs.

14. Handle large amounts of confidential information (employee records, trouble reports, etc).
15. Coordinate and encourage various user group's to better utilize park and recreation facilities.
16. Be a active professional with a degree and all training and certifications as required by state law and local ordinances.
17. Perform other reasonably related duties that the Park Board directs.





June 3, 1992

Alan Hornaday, President  
Mooresville Park and Recreation Board  
1101 North Indianapolis Road  
Mooresville, Indiana 46158

Dear Mr. Hornaday:

We have reviewed the Mooresville Parks and Recreation Master Plan and are pleased to report that the plan meets the Department of Natural Resources' local planning requirements for participation in the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) and Hometown Indiana programs. Please submit a signed resolution adopting your Five Year Master Plan as soon as possible. This approval extends through 1996. Your agency will be able to apply for grants under this plan up to and including the summer of that year. To apply for grants in 1997, a new five-year master plan should be submitted by June 1st, 1997.

We also received the ordinance establishing your park board under 36-10-3. The park board appears to be legally established under Indiana law and the ordinance will remain on file in the Division of Outdoor Recreation. If the ordinance is amended, please forward the changes to the Division of Outdoor Recreation.

The park board may request LWCF project application packets from the Division of Outdoor Recreation after June 1st of each year. Grant applications may be submitted between July 1st and September 1st for funding in the following calendar year. We emphasize that competition for funds is usually keen, and the approval of your long range plan does not guarantee funding for applications.

The Mooresville Park Board is to be congratulated for its dedication and concern displayed for the future of parks and recreation in your town. Completion of the master plan and its implementation will insure recreation facilities and opportunities for the citizens of Mooresville for many years.

If you require further information, do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick R. Ralston". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Patrick R. Ralston, Director  
Department of Natural Resources

PRR:RJB:sda







O. GLOSSARY

Mooreville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

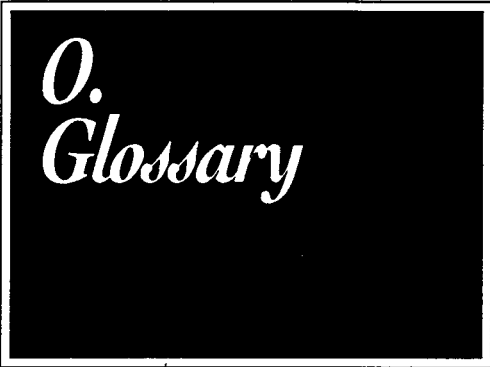
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## Glossary of Park and Recreation Terms

The following is a glossary of terms based on Glossary of Terms as defined by the *Bureau of Outdoor Recreation* (1975), *Glossary of Recreation and Park Terms* (Sessoms, 1972), the glossary in *Urban Recreation Planning* (Gold, 1973), *The Language of Cities* (Abrams, 1971), *Encyclopedia of Urban Planning* (Whittick, 1974), and the accepted common use of selected terms.

**ACTIVITY-DAY** – Twelve activity hours, which may be aggregated continuously, intermittently, or simultaneously by one or more persons.

**ACTIVITY-HOUR** – An accumulation of 60 minutes by one or more persons for a special recreation activity.

**ACTIVITY-OCCASION** – Participation by one person in an activity without relation to the duration of such participation.

**BENEFIT-COST RATIO** – An economic indicator of efficiency derived from dividing benefits by costs.

**CARRYING CAPACITY** – The natural, physical, or social capability of a recreation area to withstand use and provide a desired quality of recreation experience, or the amount of recreation use of a resource which is most appropriate for the protection of the resource and satisfaction of the participant.

**CENTRAL CITY** – The largest city of a standard metropolitan statistical area (SMSA), which gives the SMSA its name and has a population of 50,000 or more.

**COMMERCIAL RECREATION** – Recreation conducted by a business enterprise for profit and open to the public on a fee or charge basis.

**COMMUNITY PARK** – An area that provides recreation opportunities for two or more neighborhoods.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN** – An official document adopted by a local government that describes general policies for the desirable physical, social, and economic development of a city.

**CONCESSION** – An authorization granted by a government agency to a commercial enterprise to operate visitor facilities and services.

**ECOSYSTEM** – An interdependent community of living organisms and their environment.

**ENVIRONMENT** – The aggregate of surrounding space, conditions, and influences affecting the life and development of an organism, society, or individual behavior.

**EXPRESSED DEMAND** – Use of existing recreation opportunities conditioned by factors such as access, cost, information, and experience.

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- . **EXTENSIVE RECREATION** – Activities that are usually dispersed over a large area and require few or no facilities.
- . **INNER CITY** – Neighborhoods which surround the central business district of a metropolitan area and are generally in the geographic core of the central city of an SMSA.
- . **INTENSIVE RECREATION** – Activities that can take place in a limited amount of space.
- . **LANDSCAPE** – An outdoor area with man-made and natural characteristics.
- . **LATENT DEMAND** – Recreation demand inherent in the population, but not reflected in the use of existing facilities; additional participation will occur if opportunities area available.
- . **LEISURE** – Any portion of individual's time not occupied by employment or essential activities.
- . **NEIGHBORHOOD** – A residential area with a social, physical, and political identity.
- . **NEIGHBORHOOD PARK** – An area that provides recreation opportunities within walking distance of residents.
- . **OBJECTIVE** – An aim or end of action, a point to be reached.
- . **OPEN SPACE** – Land and water in an urban area which is not covered by cars or buildings; or any undeveloped land in an urban area which has value for park and recreation purposes, conservation of natural resources, or historic or scenic purposes.
- . **OUTDOOR RECREATION** – Land and water resources capable of providing outdoor recreation opportunities.
- . **PARK** – Public or private ate land set aside for aesthetic, educational, recreational, or cultural use.
- . **PARTICIPATION RATE** – The number of times a person takes part in a given recreation activity over a specific period of time.
- . **PLAN** – A course of action which can be implemented to accomplish stated objectives and which someone intends to implement.
- . **PLANNING** – The systematic collection, organization, and processing of information to facilitate decision making.
- . **POLICY** – A governing principle or course of action; or a general guide to conduct which is subject to modification.
- . **PROGRAM** – A time-phased plan for resource allocation and specifying how to achieve stated objectives.
- . **PROGRAM OBJECTIVE** – Specific results to be attained by the planned commitment of resources.
- . **RATIONAL DECISION** – One which considers all possible courses of action to attain desired ends, identifies and evaluates the consequences of each alternative, and selects the preferred alternatives in terms of most valued ends.
- . **RECREATION** – Any leisure time activity pursued for its own sake or what happens to a person as a result of a recreation experience.
- . **RECREATION AREA** – Any public or private space set aside or

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- primarily oriented to recreation uses.
- RECREATION DEMAND** – The amount and kinds of recreation opportunities an individual or population subgroup desires (latent demand) or uses (expressed demand) in a given time period, place, or planning unit.
- RECREATION FACILITIES** – Buildings and other physical features or improvements designed, constructed, and managed for recreation use.
- RECREATION NEED** – The difference between current recreation demand and the existing supply of opportunities expressed in terms of land, facilities, or programs.
- RECREATION PLANNING** – A process that relates the leisure time of people to space. The use of information to facilitate decision making that results in the allocation of resources to accommodate the current and future leisure needs of a population and planning area.
- RECREATION PROGRAMS** – Recreation opportunities which result from the organized or planned use of recreation resources that normally require scheduling, facilities, and supervision or leadership.
- RECREATION RESOURCES** – Land and water areas and associated facilities, people, organizations, and financial support that provide opportunities for recreation.
- RECREATION STANDARD** – The measure of quantity and quality considered as a desirable goal for the provision of recreation areas and facilities.
- RECREATION SUPPLY** – The quantity, quality, and effectiveness of existing or potential recreation resources.
- SELF-GENERATED PARK** – A recreational space primarily initiated, planned, designed, developed, and managed by the users.
- SOCIAL INDICATOR** – A measure of human welfare in terms of the opportunity or accommodation for a public or private good or service.
- SUBURB** – An incorporated residential area outside the existing political boundaries of the central city.
- STANDARD** – A measure for relating an allocation of resources to existing or potential needs as determined by stated goals, objectives, and policies.
- STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (SMSA)** – An integrated social and economic unit which contains at least one central city of 50,000 or more inhabitants.
- SUPPLIER** – A public agency or private firm that provides park and recreation spaces, facilities, or services.
- URBAN AREA** – A city or town having a population of 2500 or more persons.
- URBANIZED AREA** – A central city and surrounding settled area as defined by the Bureau of the Census in 1980.

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**USER PREFERENCE** – The voluntary choice of an activity, area, or experience to fulfill a recreation desire or need.

**USER SATISFACTION** – The fulfillment of a recreation desire and preference normally conditioned by the user's background, activities available, facilities, and design or management of the area.

**VISIT** – The entry of one person into a recreation area or site to carry on one or more recreation activities.

**VISITATION** – The total number of persons entering and using a recreation area over a specified period of time.

**VISITOR** – One who enters a recreation area for enjoyment of the opportunities provided.

**VISITOR-DAY** – Twelve visitor hours, which may be aggregated continuously, intermittently, or simultaneously by one or more persons.

**VISITOR-HOUR** – The presence of one or more persons on lands or waters, generally recognized as providing outdoor recreation for continuous, intermittent, or simultaneous periods of time aggregating 60 minutes.







