

Comprehensive Park Plan



City of Haysville

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The purpose of the Haysville Comprehensive Park Plan is to establish the current situation of Haysville's existing park and recreation facilities and to project future needs and improvements that will satisfy both the short range and long range recreation needs of the City. A discussion of Haysville's park areas and their future needs follows.

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Timberlane Park

Timberlane Park

Existing Facilities

Timberlane Park is located in the northwest quadrant of the City along the banks of the Cowskin Creek. It contains approximately 11 acres, and in addition to about 1,600 linear feet of creek channel, there is a small picturesque lake at the park's southern boundary. The land portion of the park is relatively flat and is mainly open space that is well maintained. Two off-street parking areas have been developed and are accessible from Park Drive. The parking area to the west has a gravel surface and although it is not marked, appears to have a capacity of 25 to 30 vehicles. The east parking area is paved and contains handicapped parking for 4 vehicles.

Physical improvements in Timberlane Park include the Timberlane Shelter and the Lion's Club Shelter. Both shelters are constructed with brick pillars and have shingled roofs. The shelters are on concrete pads and provide clean and attractive areas for picnic activity. The Lion's Club Shelter has a Bar-b-que grill and 6 horseshoe pits in close proximity. Restroom facilities have been remodeled in 2011, with an additional set of ADA compliant restrooms added to the south side of the existing facilities. These facilities are open year round. Medium intensity flood lights on tall poles serve as security lighting for the area of Timberlane Park. The lighting helps satisfy partial security needs of the park and extends the duration of the time that the park facilities can be utilized by the Haysville Community.

The City Hike & Bike Path was installed and curves through the middle of Timberlane Park. With the installation of the path, Hinkley lighting along with black wire benches and trash receptacles were installed to make it uniform with other portions of the path. This helps to increase the security of the park and extend the hours of utilization.

Previous landscaping needs have been deemed as completed.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for the Timberlane Park are shown in Table 1. A major improvement proposed would be the replacement of the gravel road with a ten foot concrete walkway that would tie into the existing Hike & Bike Path. A portion of the gravel road extends into Riggs Park and will also be included in the projected needs for that park. Parking facilities need to be upgraded from the gravel lot to a hard surface such as asphalt. Improvements to the Timberlane Shelter would include installation of vandal proof lighting. It is also believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide.

Table 1

Timberlane Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
Installation of Hike & Bike Path			
200 ft	90.00		\$ 22,500.00
Bench			
1	1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00
Lights			
3	3,000.00		\$ 9,000.00
Parking Lot Improvements			
6" Base 4" Asphalt 1503 SY	35.00		\$ 52,000.00
Shelter Lighting			
1	2,500.00		\$ 2,500.00
Tobacco Receptacles			
1	150.00		\$ 150.00
Subtotal			87,150.00
Contingencies		20%	17,430.00
Grand Total			\$ 104,580.00



Riggs Park

Riggs Park

Existing Facilities

Riggs Park contains approximately 8.5 acres and is located immediately south and adjacent to Timberlane Park. It occupies a large portion of the Cowskin Creek floodplain. The dividing line between the two parks is said to be an old drainage tributary that extended from the Park Drive & Timberlane Drive intersection almost directly east to the Cowskin Creek. This is the area in which the small lake was constructed and the remainder of the old drainage channel east of the lake has been filled in. This indicates that portions of the lake are in both parks since it appears to straddle the old drainage channel. Cowskin Creek forms the east boundary of Riggs Park and its length in the park amounts to approximately 600 linear feet. The pond was recently dredged to a depth of 6' and the spillway was replaced with a recessed structure. Funding and construction methods did not allow for the installation of limestone rock to help prevent bank erosion.

The topography of Riggs Park is much more rolling than the ground surface in Timberlane Park. A wide and relatively deep channel, which was an old meander of the creek, bisects the park and gives the lower half of Riggs some interesting topographic character. Because of this rolling nature there are some ample areas of open space in the park. Mature, long lived trees are in abundance in these areas. Riggs Park has a large asphalt surfaced off-street parking lot, which can be accessed in two spots from Hungerford. The parking area is in need of repair and contains potholes, ruts and loose gravel. Surface sealing has been done on the parking lot to help extend the life of the lot. The parking area is not marked but it is estimated to hold approximately 16 vehicles. There is adequate security lighting in the parking lot and throughout the park.

Riggs Park contains two picnic shelters; Riggs Shelter and the Police Shelter. The park also contains the Band Shell used as a stage for a variety of events. The Riggs Shelter was rebuilt in 2003 and the same structure template was used in three other City parks. The shelter has electricity and water facilities available by key to renters of the facility. It also has ADA compliant bathroom facilities, which were engineered for favorable air flow to keep restrooms temperature tolerable and aid in odor control.

Playground equipment is located throughout the park but can be viewed as being in two distinct areas. The north facility, consisting of the older equipment, contains: teeter totters, spring animals, climbing bars, a slide and tire swing. Benches are present but are in need of repair. The south facility consists of two merry-go-rounds, a slide, swings, and a newer jungle-gym type of equipment with multiple play options. There are two black wire benches for seating. A nine hole disc-golf course was installed throughout Riggs Park and Timberlane Park in 2011.

As previously mentioned the lake appears to be on the dividing line between Riggs and Timberlane Park. A gazebo sits on the Riggs side of the lake. The lake is stocked and is used regularly by citizens.

The Band Shell and stage, located in Riggs Park, is constructed with masonry block and concrete. It was rebuilt in 1993 and is in good condition.

Previous landscaping needs have been deemed as completed but continual maintenance on areas such as the concrete H is necessary.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for Riggs Park are shown in Table 2. A major improvement proposed would be the replacement of the gravel road with a ten foot concrete walkway that would tie into the existing Hike & Bike Path. A portion of the gravel road extends into Timberlane Park and will also be included in the projected needs for that park. Other improvements include fixing the deteriorating parking lot, painting existing equipment, moving pieces of equipment to other parks, and removing certain equipment no longer deemed compliant. Costs include placing limestone rock around the bank, with a three foot in three foot out ration. The water main is also in need of replacement. It is believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide.

Table 2

Riggs Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
Installation of Hike & Bike Path			
	250 ft	90.00	\$ 22,500.00
Lights			
	3	3,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
Parking Lot Improvements			
	4" Asphalt 6" Base		
	533 SY	50.00	\$ 26,650.00
Painting			
	1	500.00	\$ 500.00
Water Main Replacement			
	500 LF	30.00	\$ 15,000.00
Tobacco Receptacles			
	1	150.00	\$ 150.00
	Subtotal		73,800.00
	Contingencies	20%	14,760.00
	Grand Total		\$ 88,560.00



**Fred A. Cohlma Memorial Park
&
Dewey Gunzelman Memorial
Swimming Pool**

Fred A. Cohlmya Memorial Park/Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool

Existing Facilities

Fred A. Cohlmya Memorial Park contains approximately 7 acres and is located along the east bank of the Cowskin Creek. Approximately 650 linear feet of Cowskin Creek make up the park's west boundary.

The park is relatively flat over its total area. The topography drops off severely at the Creek's eastern edge creating a high bank just inside the park's western edge. The park contains numerous mature trees, most of which are long lived varieties. Dominant species include oak, green ash, sycamore, flowering crab, pine and honeylocust. An asphalt surfaced off-street parking lot is located along the south side of the Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool with access from Clinton. The lot has approximately 30 marked spots. A loose gravel lot is located to the east of the pool. The lot is accessed from two drives off Clinton, one off Sarah Lane and has room for approximately 60 vehicles.

The park contains a single sand volleyball court that faces north and south. A portion of the City's Hike & Bike Path runs parallel to the Cowskin Creek.

The Dewey Gunzelman Pool, which was rebuilt in 1991, is an eight lane 50 meter offset "L" shaped swimming pool. The diving bay includes a one meter and a three meter diving board, and a drop slide. The shallow end of the main pool has a 160 foot blue slide and an ADA chair lift will be installed in the near future. The intermediate pool includes a water slide and baby pool. The pool also has a concession stand, picnic tables, four shade structures, benches and showers in the bathroom facilities.

In 2008 installation of a splash pad was completed on the northwest corner of the pool. Two benches, a shade structure and fencing were installed. The fencing was constructed so that citizens can access the splash pad in early summer and late summer, times when the pool is not open. During the pool season admission will be made through the main pool area.

Previous landscaping needs have been deemed as completed.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for the Fred A. Cohlmya Memorial Park and Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool are shown in Table 3. Major improvements include parking lot entrances, finishing the gravel parking lot to a hard surface, an additional volleyball court, lighting, and public restroom facilities.

The current volleyball court was facing east to west which gave a disadvantage to players during sunrise and sunset hours. The court was recently turned to face north and south and by doing so an additional court can be added. Turning the court direction also allows for earlier play times when used by the Recreation Department leagues. Two single light poles and one double light pole would provide security lighting and extend playing hours. Due to the lack of public basketball courts in the area, citizens would benefit from the installation of one at this location. The court could be installed adjacent to the volleyball

courts and would require two single light poles. Existing sprinklers would be relocated around improvements.

With extended volleyball hours, basketball courts, and the splash pad pre- and post- pool season availability, additional restroom facilities are needed. Restrooms placed on the southwest corner of the pool building could give access to water resources from existing facilities. The restrooms would be open during warm months and optimum usage and could be winterized and locked during cold months. It is believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide.

The Fred A. Cohlma Memorial Park and Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool area is an ideal location for the construction of a new Haysville Activity Center. The new Center would contain expanded exercise and fitness facilities as well as an indoor pool and would benefit from the proximity to existing and proposed amenities.

Table 3

Fred A. Cohlmya Park & Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool

Parking Lot Installation

6" Asphalt 4" Base	2222 SY	65.00	\$ 144,430.00
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Volleyball Court Improvements/Addition

Move Court	1	200.00	\$ 200.00
Additional Court	1	400.00	\$ 400.00
Double Light Pole	1	2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Single Light Pole	2	1,300.00	\$ 2,600.00
Irrigation	1	2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00

Basketball Court Installation

Court	1	15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Single Light Pole	2	1,300.00	\$ 2,600.00

Restroom Facilities

1	15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
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Tobacco Receptacles

1	150.00	\$ 150.00
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Subtotal 184,880.00

Contingencies 20% 36,976.00

Grand Total \$ 221,856.00



Plagens - Carpenter Park

Plagens-Carpenter Park

Existing Facilities

Plagens-Carpenter Park is 30 acres located south of 63rd Street and west of Mabel Street. The location, in relation to Haysville's concentration of population, is not as accessible to much of the City's citizenry as would be desired. With the position of the flood control channel it is likely that only those citizens of Haysville living north of the flood control structure will choose to walk or bike to the park.

Four adult size diamonds cover two thirds of the park area and exist to the north section of the land. Four bleachers are installed on a concrete pad and two bleachers at field one still remain on dirt. In the middle of the four fields is a storage area and concession stand. Two adult size diamonds are located on the southwest corner of the park that is used for play and available for rent. These fields are fenced and have sprinkler systems. An announcer box and a storage shed have been installed at the complex.

The park area of Plagens-Carpenter consists of two shelters. One is built to the current design standard of shelters placed in three other parks. The shelter has electricity and water facilities available by key to renters of the facility. It also has ADA compliant bathroom facilities which were engineered for favorable air flow to keep restrooms temperature tolerable and aid in odor control. The other was built as an Eagle Scout project and has no enclosed area or restroom facilities. Some of the playground equipment was recently installed while older equipment also exists in the park. A basketball court was installed on the southeast corner of the park.

Plagens-Carpenter Park currently has gravel parking that extends the entire length of the park, east to west. Although not marked, the parking lot can hold approximately 500 vehicles.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for Plagens-Carpenter Park are shown in Table 4 and include the development of two youth fields, a covered play area located between field one and field four, and the repainting of equipment and shelter. It is believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide.

Other improvements include concrete under two bleachers and shade or netting structures over all bleachers. Four dirt areas located in the center of the current fields need to have ground covering installed since the areas are unable to grow grass. It is proposed to install a rubberized playground material since concrete could create drainage issues for the fields. Sprinkler systems are needed for fields two and three. A gate would be installed that would provide access and eliminate excessive travel on concrete areas of the complex for general maintenance and access to fields two and three.

Table 4

Plagens-Carpenter Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
Development of Fields & Improvement of Practice Field			
Youth Fields			
	2	60,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
Optional Lighting \$75,000 per field			
Sprinkler System			
	1	53,000.00	\$ 53,000.00
Bleacher Improvements			
Concrete			
	2721 FT	2.50	\$ 6,800.00
Shade/Netting			
	6	2,100.00	\$ 12,600.00
Rubberized Ground Cover			
	4545 Sq/Ft	15.00	\$ 68,175.00
Gate on Field 3			
	1	3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Play Area			
Netting			
	1	1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Equipment			
	1	15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Wood Chips			
	1	6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Fencing			
	1	8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
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Table 4

Painting

Shelter/Equipment

1	500.00	\$	500.00
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Tobacco Receptacles

3	150.00	\$	450.00
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Subtotal			295,025.00
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Contingencies	20%		59,005.00
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Grand Total		\$	354,030.00
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Orchard Acres Park

Orchard Acres Park

Existing Facilities

Orchard Acres Park is located in the southeast portion of the community adjacent on the west to the Orchard Acres and South Field Additions. It is a long, narrow parcel and contains approximately 3.0 acres. Most of the site is relatively flat and it is bordered on the west by a 20 feet wide drainage channel. Recent improvements include the installation of a portion of the Hike & Bike Path and lighting. A concrete slab and basketball goal are located to the north end of the park. There is a shelter with picnic tables to the south of the basketball area. There are two off street parking stalls at the park with additional parking available along the street.

Many improvements have recently been completed at Orchard Acres Park. New play equipment has been installed, and playground certified wood chips have been placed.

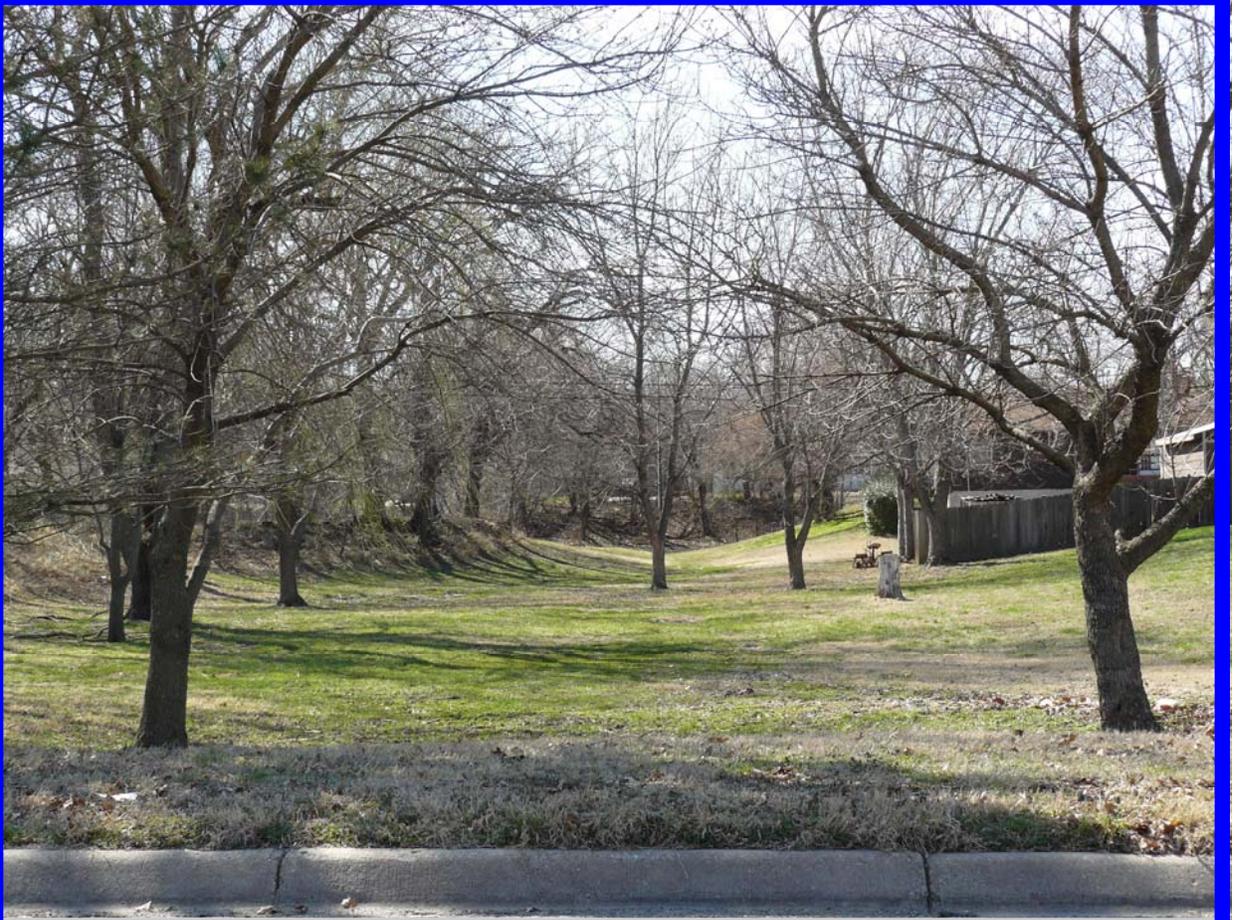
Projected Future Needs

Suggested park improvements for Orchard Acres Park are shown on Table 5. Major improvements include improved parking facilities, and repainting to the shelter. There is a desire to move the spiderdome from Rigg's Park to Orchard Acres Park. Additional trees need to be planted and it is believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide.

Table 5

Orchard Acres Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
Parking Lot Improvements			
6" Concrete			
800 sq/ft	37.50		\$ 30,000.00
24" RCP			
100ft	30.00		\$ 3,000.00
Painting			
	1	500.00	\$ 500.00
Trees			
	10	250.00	\$ 2,500.00
Tobacco Receptacles			
	1	150.00	\$ 150.00
Subtotal			36,150.00
Contingencies	20%		7,230.00
Grand Total			\$ 43,380.00



L.W. Roberts Park

L.W. Roberts Park

Existing Facilities

L.W. Roberts Park is located in an old meander between the Cowskin Creek and Van Arsdale from 2nd Street to Spring Drive. It contains approximately 3 acres and much of the area is old Creek channel. The upland area of the park is undeveloped except for an area adjacent to Stewart Drive on the west. This area has been planted with shade and ornamental trees. L.W. Roberts Park is destined to be a naturalistic facility due to its meandering, and inadequate drainage.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for L.W. Roberts Park are shown on Table 6 and include tree and brush removal. The current trees are in a layout that prevent the park from being utilized. By clearing out trees, brush and foliage the area could be used for various activities and could allow for the future installation of a nature trail.

Table 6

L.W. Roberts Park - Improvements

		Total Cost
Nature Trail		
1	7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Tree/Brush Removal		
1	10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Subtotal		17,500.00
Contingencies	20%	3,500.00
Grand Total		\$ 21,000.00



Pear Tree Park

Pear Tree Park

Existing Facilities

Pear Tree Park is located in the east central portion of Haysville between North Marlen Drive and Moy Avenue from Freeman Avenue to Karla Avenue. Much of the site contains a major drainage channel; however there are two parcels that are flat and large enough to contain facilities. One has been developed into Pear Tree Park, the other Whisler Park, which will be discussed later.

The Pear Tree Shelter was built in 2003 and the same structure template was used in three other City parks. The shelter has electricity and water facilities available by key to renters of the facility. It also has ADA compliant bathroom facilities which were engineered for favorable air flow to keep restrooms temperature tolerable and aid in odor control. There is playground equipment comparable to that of other updated parks and a basketball court sets on the northwest corner of the park.

The park also contains a sprinkler system.

Projected Future Needs

Pear Tree Park was recently updated and suits the needs of the neighborhood at this current time however; additional trees are needed for the area and it is believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide. Costs can be found on Table 7.

Table 7

Pear Tree Park - Improvements

		Total Cost
Tobacco Receptacles		
1	150.00	\$ 150.00
Trees		
10	250.00	\$ 2,500.00
Subtotal		2,650.00
Contingencies	20%	530.00
Grand Total		\$ 3,180.00



Whisler Park

Whisler Memorial Park

Existing Facilities

Whisler Park is located just north of Freeman Avenue at the location where the drainage channel exits the Pear Tree Addition. The site is approximately .4 acres in size. The park contains a lighted shelter and some equipment.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for Whisler Park are shown on Table 8 and include the removal of existing equipment to allow for the installation of aquatic equipment. The park would be a good location to install a sprayground. A sprayground would be similar to the splash pad located at the Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool but would be smaller in size. The existing shelter would provide shade and seating but an additional bench near the sprayground would be necessary.

The location would be beneficial since it is centrally located in the eastern half of the City. It would tie into the existing park improvements by location along a portion of the Hike & Bike trail. Traffic along the trail would help aid in keeping vandalism low and security relatively high.

Additional trees are needed in the area.

Table 8

Whisler Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
Sprayground Equipment & Installation			
	1	75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Bench			
	1	1000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Trees			
	10	250.00	\$ 2,500.00
Removal of Equipment			
	1	1000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Tobacco Receptacles			
	1	150.00	\$150.00
	Subtotal		79,650.00
	Contingencies	20%	15,930.00
	Grand Total		\$ 95,580.00



Reserves A & B

Reserves A & B

Existing Facilities

These two small park areas are located adjacent to 2nd Street between Peachwood Drive and Meridian Avenue. Each parcel contains about .12 of an acre and measures 40' x 125'. They are presently undeveloped. Due to their very narrow width and a busy arterial street bordering both parcels on the west, it appears that active recreational facilities would be inappropriate. Their best use appears to be in a purely aesthetic role and provide a welcoming entrance into the Peachwood Subdivisions from Meridian Avenue.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for Reserves A & B are shown on Table 9 and include the installation of landscaping, shrubbery, and trees. These improvements would require the installation of a drip irrigation system. The area seems ideal for community volunteer projects.

Table 9

Reserves A & B - Improvements

			Total Cost
Installation of Landscaping			
	1		\$ 30,000.00
Irrigation			\$12,000.00
Benches	2	1000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Trash Receptacles	2	600.00	\$ 1,200.00
		Subtotal	45,200.00
		Contingencies 20%	9,040.00
		Grand Total	\$ 54,240.00



Kirby Park

Kirby Park

Existing Facilities

Kirby Park is located in the more southwest corner of Haysville. The park contains approximately 4 acres, is flat, and drains to the east. The Kirby Shelter was built in 2003 and the same structure template was used in three other City parks. The shelter has electricity and water facilities available by key to renters of the facility. It also has ADA compliant bathroom facilities, which were engineered for favorable air flow to keep restrooms temperature tolerable and aid in odor control. There is playground equipment comparable to that of other updated parks, a basketball court sets on the northeast corner of the park with a soccer field located just to the east. The park has an irrigation system and a pond exists on the southeast corner of the park, which extends through the residential development. Trees have been removed as the pond has matured.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for Kirby Park are shown on Table 10 and include Hike & Bike Path to be installed around the pond. The pond is maintained by the City and work needs to be done to level the banks. The installation of rock, three foot in three foot out, would create a usable bank with easy access. Since the pond is stocked there is a high amount of usage by citizens.

Kirby Park is a good location to install a sprayground, identical to the previously proposed one for Whisler Park. The sprayground would be similar to the splash pad located at the Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool but would be smaller in size. The park suits the needs of the neighborhood at the current time; however, additional trees are needed for the area and it is believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide.

Table 10

Kirby Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
Installation of Hike & Bike Path			
	3500 ft	90.00	\$ 315,000.00
Lights	26	3,100.00	\$ 80,600.00
Trash	2	600.00	\$ 600.00
Pond Repairs			
	Limestone Rock Liner 3650 FT	25.00	\$ 91,250.00
Spray Ground Equipment & Installation			
	1	75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Trees	10	250.00	\$ 2,500.00
Tobacco Receptacles			
	1	150.00	\$ 150.00
	Subtotal		565100.00
	Contingencies	20%	113020.00
	Grand Total		\$ 678,120.00



Chris Elsen Memorial Park

Chris Elsen Memorial Skate Park

Existing Facilities

The Chris Elsen Memorial Skate Park was opened in May of 2005 and funded by the Haysville Park Board. The park contains a half pipe, quarter pipe, two moguls, and grinding bar. A portion of the Hike & Bike Trail leads to the park and a basketball court is located adjacent to the park.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for the Chris Elsen Memorial Skate Park are shown on Table 11. Improvements include expanding upon the existing equipment to increase BMX track capabilities. There is a need for restroom facilities which could be constructed with ICF materials and contain fixtures within the restrooms that would limit the amount of vandalism that could be done. Costs in Table 11 include the initial cost to create a power supply with restroom plans. It is estimated to cost \$3000 to provide electricity for the restrooms and security lighting.

Plans also include improvements to the Hike & Bike Path and installation of additional lighting for security. It is believed that tobacco product receptacles are needed for the parks city-wide.

Table 11

Chris Elsen Memorial Skate Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
BMX Dirt Reworking	1	10000.00	\$10,000.00
Restroom Facilities	1	23000.00	\$23,000.00
Hike & Bike Path Improvements			
Benches	2	1000.00	\$2,000.00
Trash Receptacles	2	300.00	\$600.00
Lighting	3	5000.00	\$15,000.00
Tobacco Receptacles	1	150.00	\$150.00
		Subtotal	50,750.00
		Contingencies 20%	10,150.00
		Grand Total	\$ 60,900.00



Timberlane N. Park

Timberlane North Park

Existing Facilities

Timberlane North Park is located on the northwestern boundary of the City in the Timberlane North Addition. The majority of the park is pond and includes the banks around it. The land consists of Bermuda grass to help heavy water flows from Aspen Street and to prevent erosion of the banks.

Projected Future Needs

Suggested improvements for the Timberlane North Park are shown on Table 12 and include the removal of dead/diseased trees and installation of new trees. There have been desires expressed by residents to replace the existing Bermuda grass with a Fescue or blend however until drainage issues are resolved installation of such grass could be washed away with heavy rains or storms.

Table 12

Timberlane North Park - Improvements

			Total Cost
3" Trees	6	450.00	\$ 2,700.00
Subtotal			2,700.00
Contingencies	20%		540.00
Grand Total			\$ 3,240.00



Old Oak Park

Old Oak Park

Existing Facilities

Old Oak Park is located in the Old Oak Addition. The majority of the park is pond and includes the banks around it. The banks have been cleaned and lined to accommodate fishing.

Projected Future Needs

The park is in need of additional trees to help shade the existing weeping willows.

Table 13

Old Oak - Park Improvements

			Total Cost
3" Trees	6	450.00	\$ 2,700.00
Subtotal			2,700.00
Contingencies	20%		540.00
Grand Total			\$ 3,240.00



Pride Park

Pride Park

Existing Facilities

The intersection of Main & Grand, known as Pride Park, contains improvements that have created a passive park. Colored brick pattern concrete was poured and three benches were installed to create a scenic sitting area. The area has been landscaped with grass, flowering plants and trees. A sprinkler system is installed and trash receptacles are available. A portion of the Hike & Bike Path borders the park.

The Vicker's Building received damage from the May 1999 Tornado and was renovated by the City in 2006. With the improvements of the Vicker's Building restrooms were installed and can be accessed from the exterior by citizens.

Projected Future Needs

Future needs in the park are speculative but discussion has focused on the installation of a statue or fountain in the landscaped circle near the intersection. There has been a desire to install a fountain feature in the park.

Additional Park Land

In addition to the developed parks, the City owns several parcels of undeveloped park land. These parcels should be kept in consideration with the direction of residential growth in the City. Two acres of park land is located in the Country Lakes Addition, a tract of land is located in the Southbrooke Addition, and the development of the River Forest 2nd Addition could bring additional park land. The City also owns an 80 acre tract of land located on 79th Street South.

USD 261 Facilities

The Haysville Unified School District 261 has various facilities available. Most facilities are for school district use, however some facilities are available to the Recreation Department and public.

Playground equipment located at the six elementary schools gives residents facilities to use, in addition to the City owned park properties. Those schools include: Freeman, Nelson, Oatville, Prairie, Rex, and Ruth Clark Elementary. The School District recently built their second Middle School in the City. Haysville West Middle School is near 71st and Meridian.

Soccer fields located near 71st Street South & Meridian are available for the Recreation Department to use for league games. The Nelson ball fields are used by the Haysville Youth Sports.

Future Park Land Needs

At the present time the total amount of dedicated park land within the City is approximately 84 acres. According to the 2010 Census there were 10,826 people living in Haysville at the time of the enumeration. Assigning a standard acreage in relation to population is no longer a nationally accepted standard of measuring park supply satisfaction. The quality of park development is more important than quantity, which is why the City is choosing to accept cash payments in lieu of park land dedication in subdivisions. One of the goals of the City, if acquiring land, should be to acquire reasonable sized parcels of at least 10 acres to be used for recreational purposes well ahead of need. New residential growth patterns appear to be west and south of existing development and developers should be encouraged to set aside parcels in these new growth areas to create facilities such as Kirby Park.

Emphasis has been put on improving existing recreational facilities. Extensive renovation has been completed at the Haysville Activity Center and additions to the Dewey Gunzelman Memorial Swimming Pool have been installed. Both help make the facilities competitive with surrounding communities and helps to fulfill the needs of the growing City, however, the need for a new Activity Center with expanded services is becoming urgent.

Plagens-Carpenter Park has become a jointly used area with access between the Haysville Recreation Department, Unified School District 261, and the Haysville Amateur Softball and Baseball Association. Although all park improvements hold importance, priority should be

given to the facility. The park has the ability to be a great strength in building the Recreation Department, bringing people into the community, and serving long-range needs.

Hike and Bike Path improvements throughout the City have been considerable and provide a great mode of transportation. They also provide aesthetic value to corridors of the City. The City, in conjunction with grant and funding opportunities, should continue to expand on the four miles of trail. In addition to proposed improvements in Riggs, Timberlane and Kirby Parks other areas are being considered for improvements. Such improvements would connect apartments to retail and eating establishments and complete links to new subdivision growth. The southwest quadrant of the City lacks trail and consideration should be given to providing residents access to Prairie Elementary and West Middle School by means of Hike and Bike Path.

Upon the dissolving of the Peach Capitol Soccer organization, the Haysville Recreation Department assumed the role of the organization, in offering a league for the community. Due to the unforeseen circumstance the Recreation Department was not prepared with necessary facilities and must rely on using school district owned fields that are prone to flooding. Planning should begin to create a City owned soccer complex that can be used by the Recreation Department. A ten acre tract of land would be needed to create a six field soccer complex that had restrooms, concessions, storage, and parking. If additional acreage could be obtained it would provide an area for a golf driving range to be created as the demand becomes necessary.