

# Welcome!

## Hopkins Park System Reinvestment Plan

### Purpose of the Plan

The intent of this plan is to provide the City of Hopkins with a guide for investments in park improvements for the next ten years and beyond. The plan should assure that the park system continues to meet the needs of the community and its visitors now and in the future. The plan will align priorities with future investments in the Hopkins Park System and inform the Capital Improvement Plan.

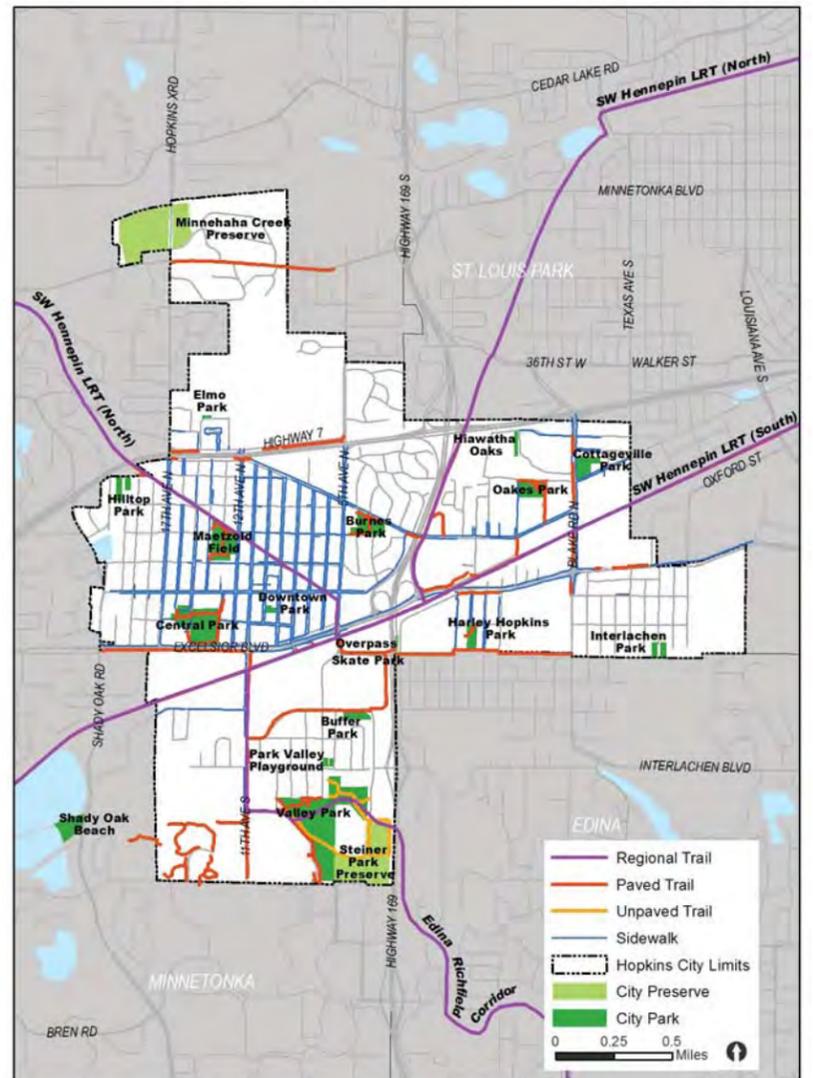
### Planning Process

- Fall 2014: Park Inventories
- Winter/Spring 2014-15: Public Survey
- Spring 2015: Draft Park Needs and Planned Updates
- Summer 2015: Open House and Online Outreach
- Summer 2015: Finalize The Hopkins Park System Reinvestment Plan

### Approach to Reinvestment:

Different action items are listed for individual parks. Based on feedback from the public survey, the Hopkins Park Board, and the Hopkins City Council, the approach to reinvestment is as follows:

- As features reach the end of their functional lifecycle, replace what we have unless there is a good reason to remove it
- Address safety issues
- Provide restrooms where appropriate
- Provide updated and unique "Community Wide" features in appropriate locations



### Where Does Funding Come From? Where Does It Go?

#### Sources of Funds

##### Franchise Fees

Fees that are a part of the gas & electric billing generate roughly \$295,000 per year for the parks.

##### Park Dedication

When a new development is approved, a percentage of the total development cost is dedicated to park improvements for the City. These fees vary and are only collected when development occurs

##### Grants

Various grants are available to provide funding for park improvements. The City does have to use resources (time) to pursue the grants.

##### Donations

Generous donations from benefactors provide additional revenue for the parks.

##### General Fund

The general fund is the City's main financial tool for general operations of city government.

#### Uses of Funds

##### Capital Improvement Projects

Capital projects are new, replacement, or significant renovations to park features or infrastructure. They are for tangible items with longer life expectancies. These could include replacing a playground, repaving a parking lot, building a new warming house with restrooms, or similar projects.

##### Program Agreements

The City of Hopkins has agreements with Minnetonka Recreation to run programs in the City. There are also agreements with the Depot to manage the Coffee Shop & Youth Project and 3rd Lair to manage the skatepark.

##### Maintenance & Operations

Resources are used to take care of the day-to-day needs of the parks. This includes mowing, repairs, plowing trails, cleaning, preparing parks for seasonal changes (leaves, putting up ice rinks for the winter, dewatering, etc.) and other similar tasks.

#### What Does It Cost?

The following numbers are general averages of what different features in a park cost. Each project is different and actual prices may vary

Playground - \$150,000

Warming House - \$400,000

Picnic Shelter with Restrooms - \$400,000

Picnic Shelter - \$75,000

Splash Pad - \$350,000

Trails - \$50 / foot

Tennis Court Resurfacing - \$30,000

Court/Rink Lighting - \$50,000

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## Findings So Far:

As part of the planning process, there has been an on-site inventory of each park, a public survey asking people about how they use the parks and what they would like to see (325 responses), an examination of age of features, and consultation with the Hopkins Park Board and City Council. A summary of the findings is below:

### The Good News

Overall, City parks in Hopkins are well utilized, and provide a wide variety of features and activities distributed across the city. Currently, the park system meets the needs of residents in the following ways:

- Nearly 40% of the Hopkins Parks & Recreation Community Survey respondents reported visiting their identified neighborhood park at least once a week, if not more.
- Good distribution of 4 season activities.
- Good access to pleasure skating and ice hockey.
- Residents walk and bike to their neighborhood parks; 90% of survey respondents report waking/biking to their neighborhood park, and 92% report feeling safe walking /biking to neighborhood parks.

### The Needs

To ensure that they system meets the needs of residents now and well into the future, improvements to the system are needed. Needs include:

- Maintenance of current amenities and infrastructure; especially updates to play equipment and restroom/warming house facilities.
- Improvements to safety, including updates to lighting, trail and field surfaces, and play equipment
- More large scale community gathering area(s) and amenities.
- Lack of green infrastructure, such as stormwater filtration/infiltration areas, pollinator gardens, etc.
- Desire for restrooms and community wide features like a splash pad.

### Amenities Used by more than 25% of respondents

- Playgrounds (58%)
- Open fields (46%)
- Trails (38%)
- Picnic facilities (32%)
- Skating Rinks (28%)
- Drinking fountains (28%)

### Top 5 Features/Activities respondents thought were missing from their neighborhood park:

- Updates to rundown features (58%)
- Restrooms (33%)
- Splash Pad (23%)
- Improved safety (18%)
- Playground (14%)

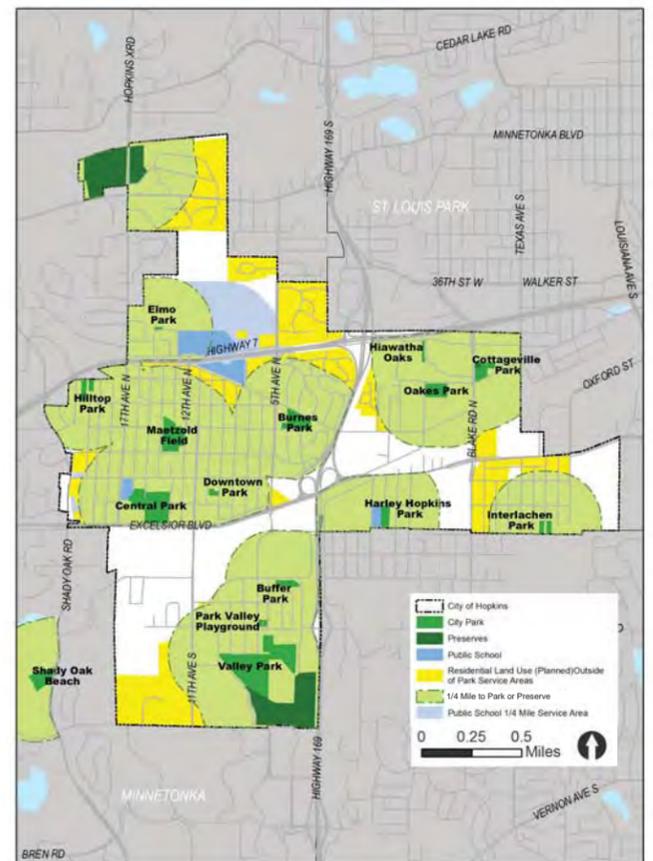
### Top 5 parks that people considered their "neighborhood park"

- Burnes (27%)
- Maetzold (14%)
- Interlachen (10%)
- Central (10%)
- Valley Park (9%)

### Park Coverage

The majority of Hopkins' residential areas are served by a city park or preserve within a quarter mile, which is an approximately 5 minute walk. The figure at right shows this coverage, revealing good access to green space for Hopkins residents.

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## Your Feedback Needed:

Based on information gathered from the inventory and the public survey, we have prepared a draft listing of improvements to the parks, and a timeline for implementing each project. Priorities identified as "Short" are 0-5 years, "Mid" are 5-10 years and "Long" are 10 years or more. Some projects are under further study. If you have strong feelings about them, let us know.

You need to tell us if projects need to get moved up or down as a priority, and if we have missed anything.

Use the worksheets provided to tell us more about your parks, and what projects you think are important.

Thanks!

# Buffer Park



### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Ballfield	Poor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Base paths worn, not ag-lime</li> <li>Home Plate off-center</li> <li>Chain-link backstop rusty and somewhat misshapen</li> <li>2 benches in fair condition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repair backstop</li> <li>upgrade field for safety</li> </ul>	Short
Existing Trail	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approx. 615' 10' bituminous trail</li> <li>Needs Seal Coat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seal coat</li> </ul>	Mid
Proposed Vegetation	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Additional trees/groves/naturalized areas to reduce turf</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install new</li> </ul>	Long
Additional Inventory				
Open Field	Good			
Sledding Hill	Good			
Picnic table	Good			

### Description

Small, underutilized park that buffers Park Valley Neighborhood from industrial land uses to the north. Main access is from 5th Street, with parallel parking on south side of 5th. Fencing prevents easy access from backdoor neighbors. Proximate to other parks. Ballfield utilized by community recreation for practice.

<b>Address</b>	400 5th Street S, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	2.39



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# Cottageville Park



### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action
Playground Structure		Proposed	Park is under construction
Community Garden		Proposed	
Open field		Proposed	
Pavillion		Proposed	
Basketball court		Proposed	
Soccer field		Proposed	
Swings		Proposed	



### Description

This park is undergoing major renovations and has recently been expanded with the acquisition of neighboring parcels. See the Cottageville Park Master Plan.

<b>Address</b>	439 Blake Road, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	4.1



# Burnes Park



### Description

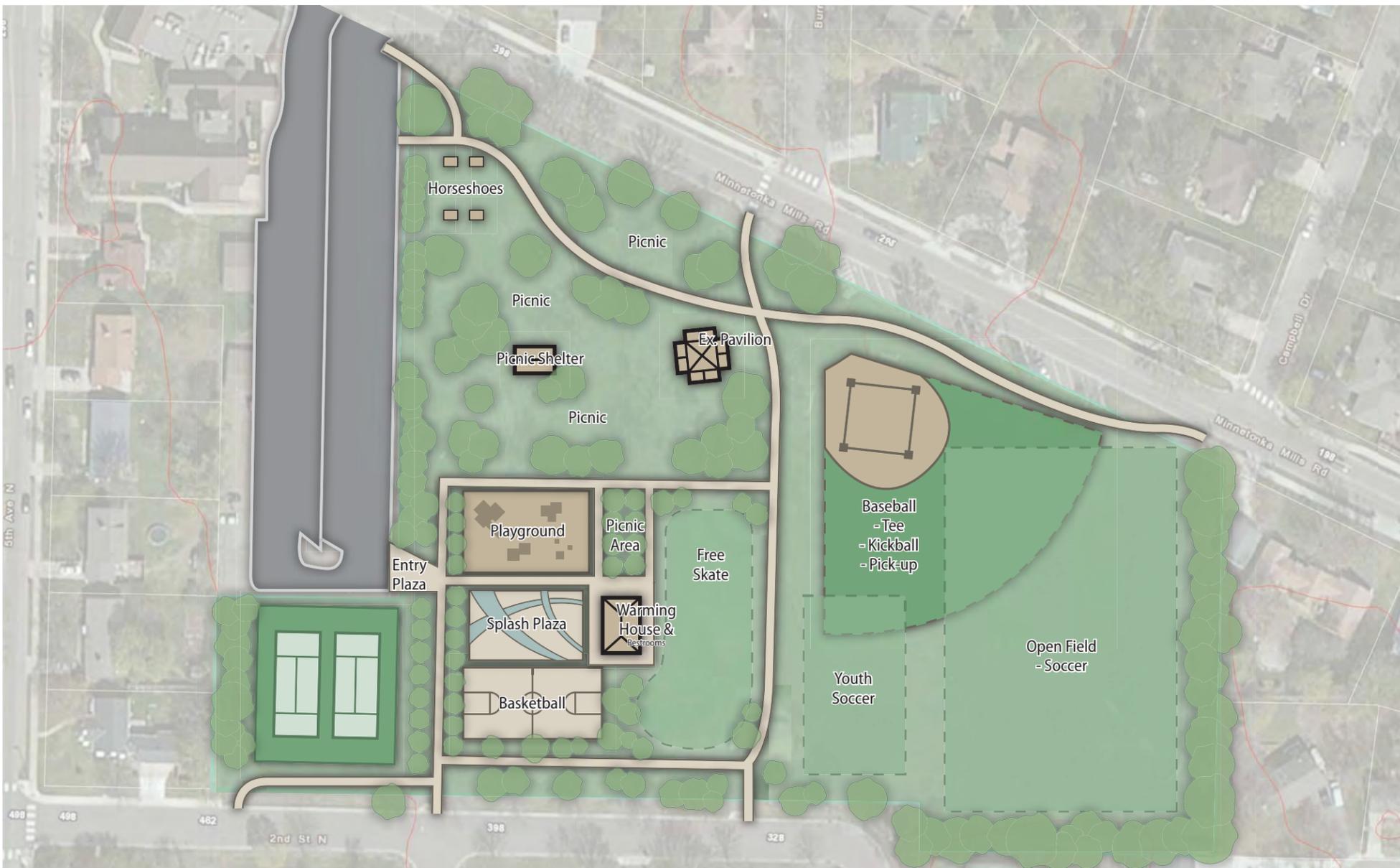
Large neighborhood park adjacent to neighborhoods and Zion Lutheran Church. Special features include a new Rotary sponsored picnic shelter and stormwater filtration area/rain garden.

<b>Address</b>	301 2nd Street N, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park (to be reclassified as Community Park)
<b>Size (acres)</b>	6.32

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Proposed Splash Pad	-		• Install new	Short
Playground/Tot Lot	Good	• Recent investment • Woodchip base • Wood edging needs replacement	• Upgrade 2-5 aged play equipment	Short
Swings	Fair-Poor	• 4 regular swings, 2 tot swings	• Replace or repaint	Short
Tennis Courts	Fair	• Cracks forming and puddling in low spots • Appropriate for recreation use? • Needs weeding • Fence in fair condition	• Resurface	Mid
Warming House/Restrooms	Poor	• Roof and fascia need repair • Rail fencing around building needs repair or removal	• Replace	Short
Lighting			• Upgrade lighting	Short
Sidewalks	-		• Install with splash pad	Short
Plaza	-		• Install with splash pad	Short
Picnic Tree Area	-		• Install with splash pad	Short
Sandbox	Fair	• Some sand overflow • Needs more defined edging	• Replace edging	Short
Ballfield	Good	• Ag-lime • Fence in good condition • Backstop fencing somewhat damaged/warped • Benches need repainting	• Repaint/Replace benches • Incidental Fencing/Backstop repairs	Short
Informal ballfield	Fair	• Grass only • Informal Use? • Bench is rusted through in the legs.	• Replace benches	Short
Open Field	Fair	• Overlap with ballfields	• Regrade	Mid
West Picnic Shelter	Good	• Seats 60 • Picnic tables inside need resurfacing/painting	• Resurface picnic tables	Short
Basketball Court	Poor	• Cracking and sealing is worn off • Tetherball post needs removal or repair • Dangerous cut post needs removal	• Resurface courts • Remove posts and tripping hazards	Short
Horseshoes	Fair	• 2 courts • Need weeding/wood edging repair	• Replace edging	Short
<b>Additional Inventory</b>				
Trails	Good			
East Picnic Shelter	Good	• New, large, and very nice; seats 50 • Grills nearby		
Skating Rink		• Lighted		
Drinking Fountain	Fair			
Rain gardens	Good	• Appear to be well-maintained and functioning		
Parking	Good	• 13 stalls and 2 handicapped spaces on Minnetonka Mills • Parking arrangement with Zion Lutheran Church		

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# Central Park



### Description

Community Park with athletics focus. Adjacent to the Hopkins Pavilion. Handles adult and youth recreation. Trail loops, parking, and playgrounds support athletic uses.

<b>Address</b>	101 16th Avenue South, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	17.90 acres

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

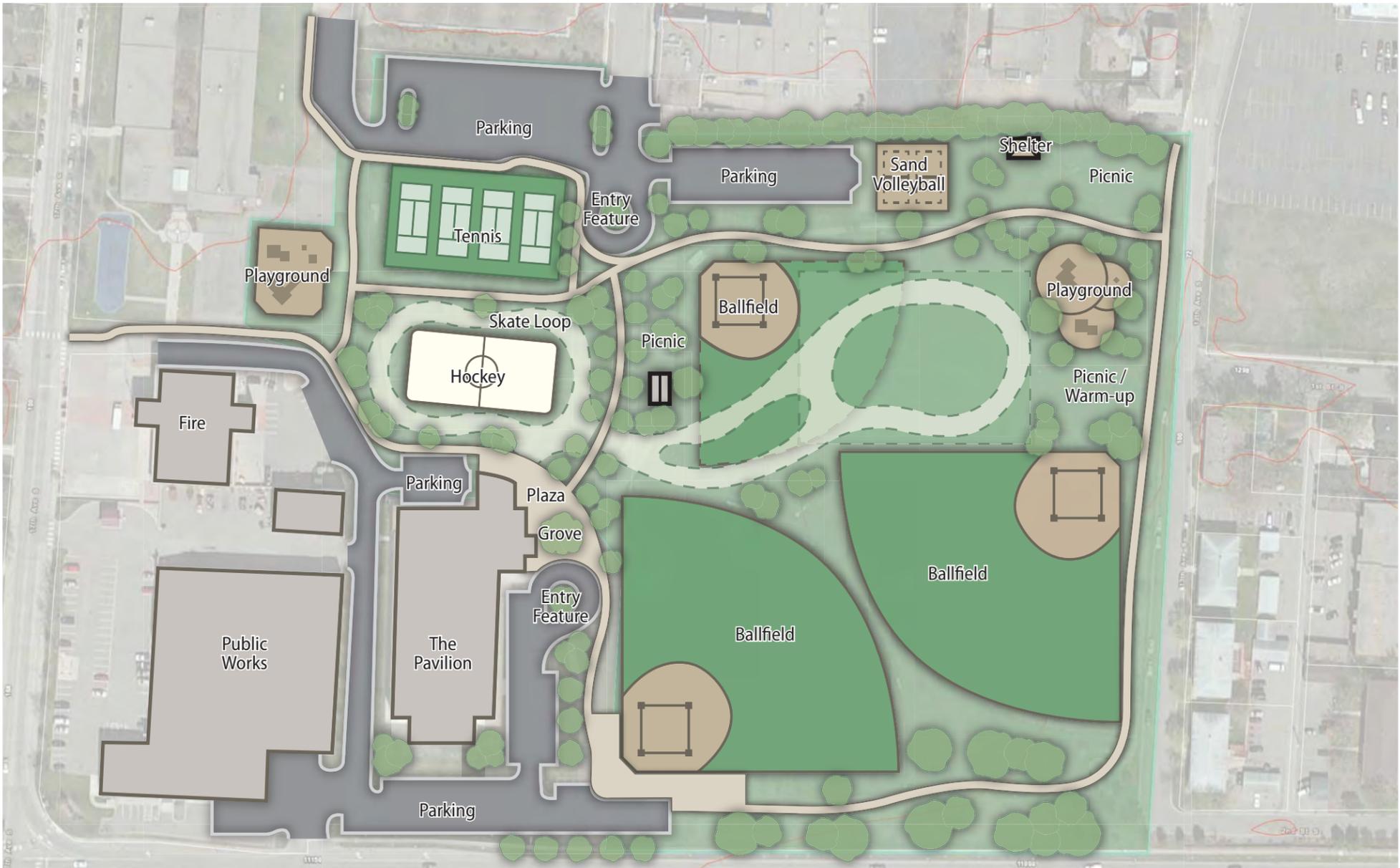
Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Warming House	Poor	• Slated for replacement	• Replace	Short
Open Skating	Good	• Lighted	• Explore loop	Short
Hockey Rink/Wiffleball fields	Fair	• Lighted • Boards in fair condition	• May be realigned	Short
Pavillion Expansion	-	• Long term, unfunded possibility		Long
Playground (E)	Fair	• Older equipment • need for more shade and seating	• Retain for functional life	Long
Parking Lot (N)	Fair	• low spots collecting water, rough surface, 32 stalls	• Repair	Underway
Parking Lot (S)	Fair	• low spots collecting water, separation of parking area and field/spectator area along south side of field	• Repair	Underway
Trail	Fair	• rough surfaces throughout • lighting outdated	• Repair	Underway
Drive Lane and Parking	Poor	• 23 stalls	• Potential removal	Needs further study
New Sidewalk and Plaza	-	• Would need to accomodate emergency vehicle traffic	• Install	Needs further study
Tennis Courts (4)	Excellent	• Lighted • Bleachers • blighted scorer's box	• Remove scorer's box	Short
Sand Volleyball	Fair	• Wood edging needs replacment, • Weed growth in sand • Not lighted		Short
NE Vegetation	-	• Increase vegetative buffer from alley/loading/parking		Mid
Ballfield (SW)	Good	• Soccer field in outfield • Lighted • Electronic scoreboard	• Fix Scoreboard	Long

Additional Inventory				
Ballfield (NW)	Good	• Bleachers in good condition • No lighting		
Ballfield (East)	Good	• Irrigated • No lighting • 1 set of bleachers		
Playground Structure (W)	Good	• Newer, large structure • Owned by school district, leased by City • Can get slippery when wet/snowy/icy		
Picnic Shelter (N)	Good	• Capacity of 60 • Water and electric • Some graffiti • Moderate concrete cracks		
Picnic Shelter (S)	Good	• Capacity of 60 • Water and electric		
Parking Lot (NW)	Good	• New surface, utilized by school		



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## Downtown Park



### Description

A downtown pocket park with a bandshell, benches, walking paths, a time capsule, and memorials. The bandshell hosts summer concert events.

<b>Address</b>	40 9th Avenue South, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	.46

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Landscaping	Fair		Slated for upgrades	Short
Walkways	Fair	Concrete in good condition, some cracking in the north walkway, most paver surfaces in good condition	Reset pavers in poor condition	Underway
Benches	Good	Consistent style throughout park, some benches in need of repainting	Paint	
Additional Inventory				
Bandshell	Good			
Drinking fountain	Fair			
Monuments	Good			
Restrooms	-	Port-a-Potties	Screen port-a-potties	Complete
Parking Lot '300'				Complete



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## Elmo Park



### Description

Small, underutilized park adjacent to apartments and government buildings. Apartments and nearby school have recent investment in playground facilities.

<b>Address</b>	1401 Elmo Park Service Road, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	.94

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Playground Structure	Poor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slide is metal and has fall zone issues</li> <li>Tire swing is missing</li> <li>Spinning Wheel</li> <li>Swings</li> </ul>	Replace with tot-lot (2-5 age)	Short
Proposed Vegetation	-		Add trees/groves/naturalized areas	Mid
Proposed Shelter	-		Install new	Mid
Proposed Fire Pit	-		Install new	Long
Proposed Picnic facilities	-	• Add grills	Install new	Mid
Additional Inventory				
Basketball Court		• Half court		
Picnic tables				



# Harley Hopkins Park



### Description

Sunken park/stormwater detention area featuring winter skating amenities and a field. Edina's Alden Park is immediately adjacent on the south side of 2nd Street

<b>Address</b>	108 Jackson Avenue South, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	2.89

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Warming House	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plaster/stucco in poor condition</li> <li>Musty</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repaint</li> </ul>	Mid
Proposed Outdoor Fitness Circuit / Parkour	-		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install new</li> </ul>	Long
Walking path	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approximately 400'</li> <li>Rough patches throughout</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seal Coat</li> </ul>	Mid
Additional Inventory				
Open Field	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turf wear in large areas</li> </ul>		
Softball field	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Backstop only</li> </ul>		
Hockey Rink	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sturdy boards in fair condition</li> <li>Lighted</li> </ul>		
Skating Rink	Good			
Fence	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fence encloses entire park, with 7 entrances</li> </ul>		
Drinking fountain	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rusty</li> </ul>		



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# Hilltop Park



### Description

Neighborhood park featuring large sledding hill, mature oak trees, open field space, and playground

<b>Address</b>	2020 4th Street North, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	3.5

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Playground Structure	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Older structure showing wear</li> <li>Wood container in good condition</li> </ul>	Replace	Short
Proposed Picnic Shelter	-		Install new	Mid
Proposed Warming House with restroom	-		Install new	Long
Additional Inventory				
Skating Rink		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open Rink - no boards</li> </ul>		
Ballfield	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Informal</li> <li>Backstop in fair condition with some rust</li> <li>2 benches in good condition</li> </ul>		
Open Field	Good			
Swingset	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Older set in good condition</li> <li>2 swings and 2 tot swings</li> <li>Pea gravel base</li> </ul>		
Merry-go-round	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No landing zone</li> <li>Unique feature</li> </ul>		
Sledding Hill	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Steeper, longer slope appropriate for older sledders</li> </ul>		
Parking	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 spaces at top of hill on 20th Ave</li> <li>24 spaces and 1 handicapped space on 4th St.</li> </ul>		
Drinking fountain	Fair			



# Interlachen Park



**Description**  
Neighborhood park nestled in the Interlachen neighborhood and adjacent to Interlachen Golf Course. Features a hockey rink with on-site resurfer, new playground, recent shelter, & stand of mature oak trees.

<b>Address</b>	230 Homedale Road, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	2.16

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Hockey Rink	Good	• Lighting limited to one side of rink • Boards in fair condition	Add lighting to west side of rink Permanent Boards?	Under additional study
Ballfield	Fair	• Informal • backstop in good condition • Minimal space to playground	Remove if rink becomes permanent	Under additional study
Warming House	Fair	• Recent pavilion addition to concrete block building	Add restroom and additional storage	Underway
Trail/Access Drive	Fair to Poor	• Low Spots • Patched	Replace	Mid

Additional Inventory				
Playground Structure	Good	• Newer • Woodchip base		
Swings	Good	• Newer set with 2 swings, 1 tot swing, 1 ADA swing		
Climbing Wall	Good	• Newer polymer structure		
Climbing structure	Good	• Older metal structure • memorial bench nearby • pea gravel base • container needs more definition		
Open Field	Good			
Picnic Shelter	Good	• Recent pavilion addition to warming house		
Basketball Court	Good	• Half court in good condition • some puddling in low spots		
Skating Rink		• Lighted from one side		
Drinking Fountain	Good	• Newer fountain		
Zamboni Garage	Good	• Donated storage locker functional but could be visually improved		
Parking	Fair	• 5 spaces		



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# Maetzold Field



**Description**  
Community youth focused athletic park featuring new, high-quality, lighted fields and spectator facilities.

<b>Address</b>	1215 1st Street North, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Community Park - Athletics
<b>Size (acres)</b>	10.10

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Playground	Fair	• Older structure • Pea gravel base • Wood container in fair condition	Replace with larger structure for multiple ages in more central location	Short
Trail	Good	• Rough patches throughout • Areas of torn turf along edges	• Repair existing • Formalize cowtrail to regional trail nw of eastern batting cages • Extend along 14th Ave N on west side of park	Mid

Additional Inventory				
Baseball Field SW	Excellent	• Lighting • Dugouts • Bleachers • Fence		
Baseball Field SE	Excellent	• Lighting • Dugouts • Bleachers • Fence		
Softball Field NE	Excellent	• Lighting • Dugouts • Bleachers • Fence		
Football/Soccer Field	Good	• Lighted • Unsightly climber prevention-barbed wire		
Picnic Shelter	Good	• Beautiful wood pillar and tress construction • New composite picnic tables		
Batting Cages N	Excellent	• New		
Batting Cages NW	Fair	• location isolated from rest of park • vegetation starting to come up		
Batting Cages E	Excellent	• New		
Parking		• 125 standard spaces + 5 HC spaces		
Garages	Fair	• Service area		
Restrooms	Good	• Part of picnic shelter		



# Oakes Park



### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Warming House	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concrete block construction</li> <li>Shingles in good condition</li> <li>Fascia in fair to poor condition</li> </ul>	Renovate	Short
Open Field	Fair	Areas of poor turf in conjunction with ice rinks and cricket use	Improve with updates for cricket	Short
Cricket Pitch	-	Explore pitch options	Seed annually	Short
Picnic Shelter	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cracked concrete pads</li> <li>roof needs repair</li> <li>Fair amount of graffiti</li> </ul>	Update shelter	Short
Tennis Courts	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 courts</li> <li>no lighting</li> <li>Some cracking and puddling in low spots</li> <li>some weed maintenance required</li> </ul>	Resurface tennis courts	Mid
Trails	Fair	Some areas of cracking in the bituminous	Patch and seal coat Provide additional lighting	Mid
<b>Additional Inventory</b>				
Playground Structures	Excellent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Newer equipment with play features for tots and 5-12 year olds.</li> <li>Concrete container</li> <li>Woodchip base</li> </ul>		
Swings	Good	2 swings, 1 tot swing, 1 ADA swing		
Hockey Rink	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lighted</li> <li>Sturdy boards in good condition</li> </ul>		
Skating Rink				
Sledding Hill		gradual slope good for younger sledders		
Ballfield	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Informal</li> <li>Grass infield - No ag-lime</li> <li>backstop in good condition</li> </ul>		
Drinking Fountain				

### Description

Neighborhood park featuring winter activities including hockey, skating, and sledding. Recent investment in play equipment.

<b>Address</b>	900 Lake Street NE, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	4.91



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# Park Valley Playground



### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Playground Structure	Fair-Poor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Older structure</li> <li>2 tot swings</li> <li>pea gravel base</li> <li>wood edging is inconsistent and needs replacement</li> </ul>	Replace play equipment	Short
Swings	Fair-Poor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 swings</li> <li>Needs replacement/ repainting</li> <li>Pea gravel base</li> </ul>	Replace or refinish	Short
Basketball Court	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Half court</li> <li>Surface in good condition with a few cracks</li> <li>Close proximity to street</li> </ul>	Add stop/ buffer at south end of court	Short
Sandbox	Fair	Sand creeping out of container		Short
Utility Poles	-	Long-term utility easement	Bury	Long
<b>Additional Inventory</b>				
Open Field	Fair	Turf wear east of playground		
Picnic Shelter	Good	Hexagon shaped with steel/tin roof		
Drinking Fountain	Fair	Older style fountain		

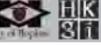
### Description

Small neighborhood park in close proximity to Valley Park featuring a playground and picnic facilities.

<b>Address</b>	635 6th Avenue South, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Neighborhood Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	1.14



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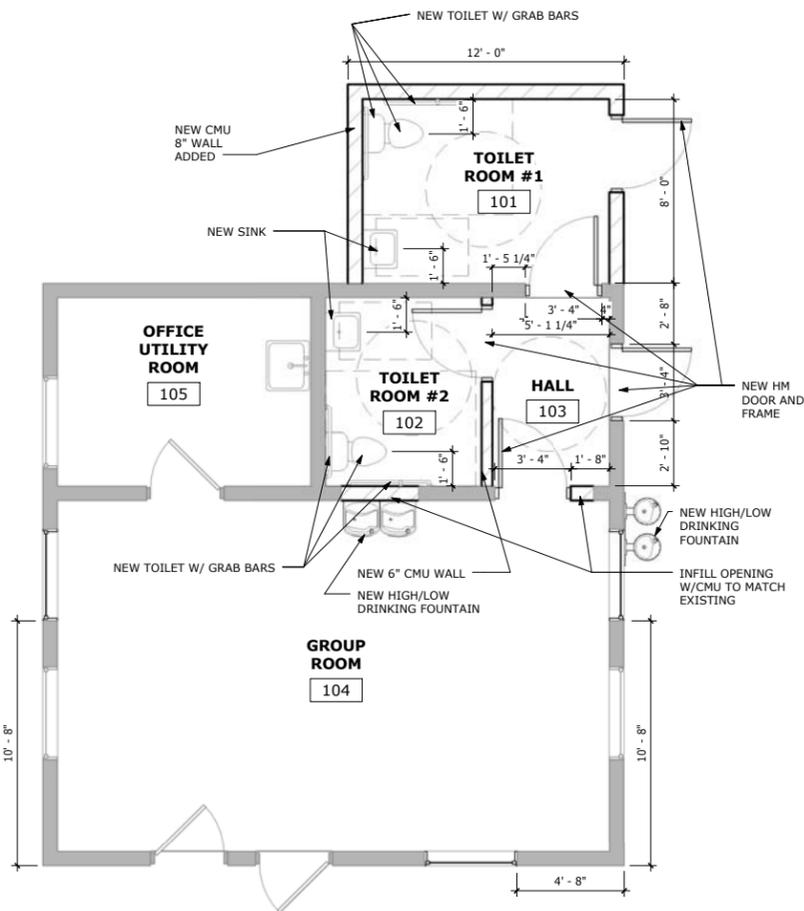


## Warming House Renovations

The City is looking at strategies for updating warming houses to include restrooms that would be available year round. The warming houses at Oakes Park and Valley Park are slated for renovations, and could look similar to the renderings shown below.



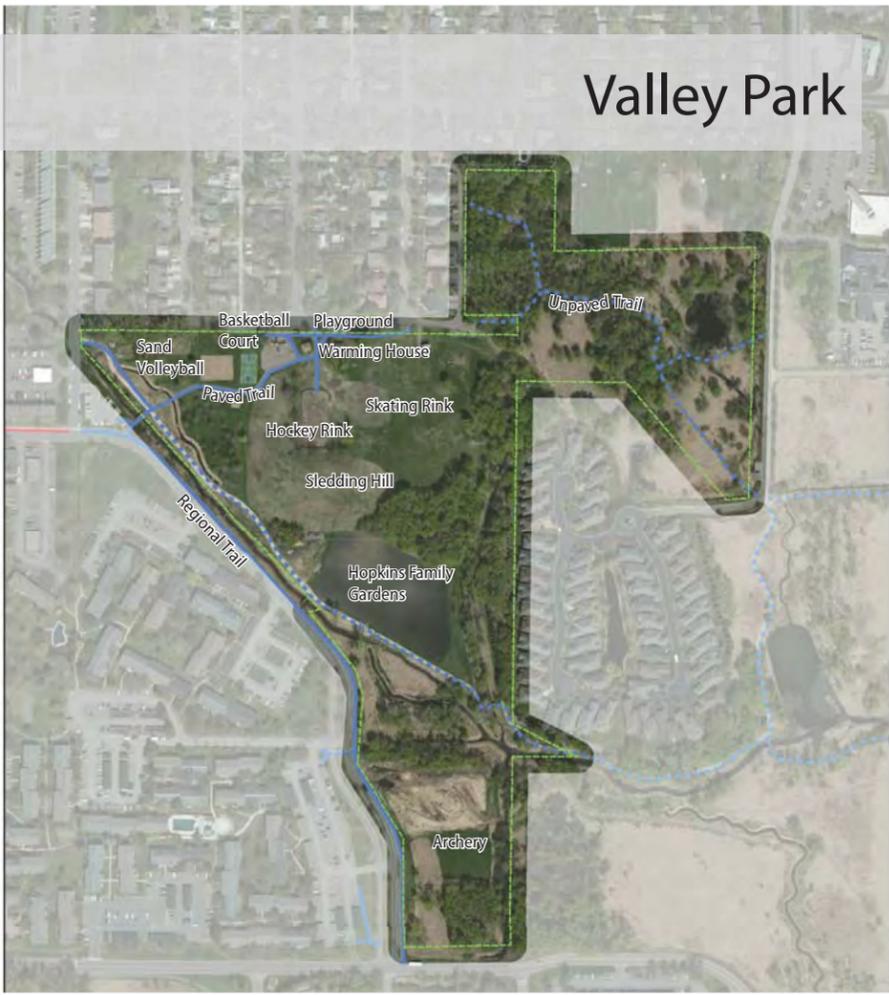
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1 SITE PLAN - OAKES

3 FLOOR PLAN

# Valley Park



**Description**  
Largest community park featuring Nine Mile Creek, trails, multi-purpose athletic fields, skating and hockey rinks, archery, and a community garden.

<b>Address</b>	700 8th Street South, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Size (acres)</b>	32.93

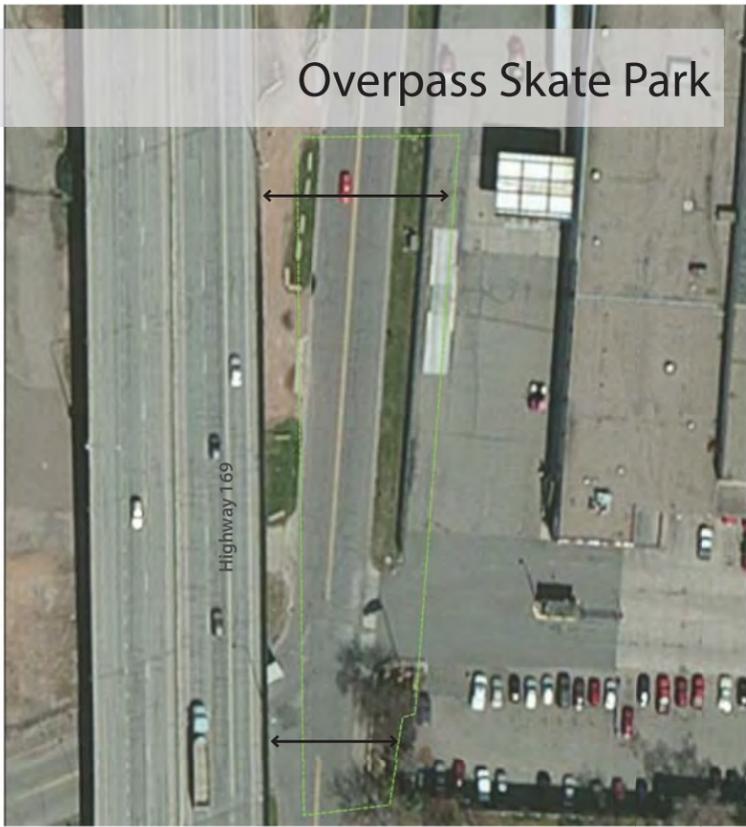
## Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Playground Structure	Fair	• Main structure is older • Wood chip base • Concrete container	Replace old features	Short
Paved Trails	Varies	• Areas in excellent condition and other areas in poor condition	Address Bridge settling issues Expand trails to better connect park and regional trail	Short
Unpaved Trails			Explore expansion with Steiner for XC Skiing	Under further study
BMX Bike Pump Track	-	• Glen Gary Hill used to be a destination for motorcyclists	Build BMX pump track on trail side of hill	Under further study
Wayfinding	-	• Connections to east/Steiner lacking • May need additional with regional trail	Improve wayfinding and signage	Mid
Warming House	Fair	• Block construction	Renovate	Short
Seating	-		Locate additional seating	Short
Community Garden	Good	• Highly utilized	Bring in water Grills/Picnic area Shade structure Stands?	Short
Landscape		• Restoration along creek • Mostly mowed	Oak Savannah restoration on south/west sides of hill	Short
Lighting	Fair-Poor	• Limited to hockey and skating rinks and minimal lighting on the warming house	Upgrade	Short
Proposed storage building				Under further study
Picnic Shelter	Fair	• 2 shelters. SE shelter will need new roof within 10 years • Water and electric • Capacity for 60 people		Mid
Basketball Court	Good	• 1 full size court • Some surface wear		Long
<b>Additional Inventory</b>				
Climbing net structure	Good	• Newer element		
Swings	Fair	• 2 swing and 2 tot swings		
Swings	Fair	• Tot and ADA swings • ADA swing is older fiberglass seat		
Softball field	Fair	• Informal • Lacks benches • Backstop in fair condition		
Open Field	Fair	• Currently striped for lacrosse in one area. • Goose infestation • Notable turf wear		
Hockey Rink	Good	• Lighted • Boards in good shape		
Skating Rink				
Sledding Hill		• Gentle but long slope		
Sand Volleyball	Good	• 2 courts		
Archery Range				
Parking	Good	• 52 vehicles		
Drinking fountain	Fair	• newer style fountain		

# Hopkins Park System Reinvestment Plan



# Hopkins Special Use Parks



**Description**  
18,000 square foot skate park under Highway 169 for skateboarders, in-line skaters, and BMX bikers, and scooter riders.

<b>Address</b>	100 Washington Avenue South, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Special Use Facility
<b>Size (acres)</b>	.66

Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Lease arrangements		3rd Lair manages facility	Continue to work with 3rd Lair for operations	Ongoing



**Description**  
Highly utilized community park with swimming beach, high-quality facilities including pavillion, concessions, changing rooms, and new play equipment. Partnership with City of Minnetonka

<b>Address</b>	5200 Shady Oak Road, Minnetonka
<b>Classification</b>	Community Park / Special Use Facility
<b>Size (acres)</b>	11.47

Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Swimming Platform	Good	Replacement may be difficult under DNR restrictions and guidelines	Work to protect the platform integrity and expand lifespan	Ongoing
Multi-City Relationship	Good	Partnership with Minnetonka	Continue Partnership	Ongoing
<b>Additional Inventory</b>				
Playground Structure	Excellent	New play area opened in 2011 features water play areas, shade structures, sand base		
Picnic Shelter		100 person capacity		
Restrooms/changing areas				
Sand Volleyball				
Concession Stand				
Swimming Beach		sandy swimming beach with lifeguard patrol Swimming platform with high and low diving platforms		

# Hopkins Park Preserves

## Hiawatha Oaks Preserve



**Description**  
Natural area featuring passive open space. Densely wooded oak stand.

<b>Address</b>	500 Hiawatha Avenue, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Natural Resource Area - Undeveloped
<b>Size (acres)</b>	1.83

## Minnehaha Creek Preserve



**Description**  
Natural area surrounding a stretch of Minnehaha Creek. Preserve features wetlands, forested areas, and a canoe launch. Used primarily for public works storage and staging.

<b>Address</b>	3100 Hopkins Crossroads, Hopkins
<b>Classification</b>	Nature Area
<b>Size (acres)</b>	35.14

## Steiner Park Preserve



**Description**  
33-acre natural area with access to passive open space. Features access to the Nine Mile Creek, unpaved trails, and bridged creek crossings. Adjacent to Valley Park.

<b>Address</b>	Westbrooke Way and Smetana Road
<b>Classification</b>	Natural Resource Area
<b>Size (acres)</b>	33.34

### Action Items, Inventory, and Priorities

Feature	Condition	Notes	Action	Priority
Unpaved trails	Good	Many only suitable during winter	Explore expansion for reinstatement of XCSkiing	Mid
Wayfinding	-	Wayfinding needed	Improve wayfinding in conjunction with Valley Park	Mid
Additional Inventory				
Trails	Good	Trails provide additional emergency access to neighborhood		