

AGENDA
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, January 16, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers, 210 State Street Charlevoix, Michigan

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

3. Presentations

4. Inquiry regarding conflicts of interest

5. Consent Agenda

All items listed under Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion of an item is required, it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

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| A. City Council Meeting Minutes – January 3, 2017 Regular Meeting | PG 1-5 |
| B. Accounts Payable Check Registers & Payroll Check Registers | PG 6-16 |
| C. Set Public Hearing for Recreation Master Plan for February 20, 2017 at 7pm | PG 17 |

6. Public Hearings & Actions Requiring Public Hearings

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| A. Ordinance #779 of 2017- Amending certain provisions of Chapter 77: Liquor Licenses | PG 18-25 |
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7. All Other Actions & Requests

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| A. Park Protection Measures | PG 26 |
| B. 2017-2018 Council Goals | PG 27-29 |
| C. Mayoral Appointment | PG 30-33 |

8. Reports & Communications

- A. Public Comments
- B. City Manager Comments
- C. Mayor and Council Comments

9. Other Council Business

- A. Closed Session for the discussion of contents of attorney-client privileged communication (MCL 15.268(h))

10. Adjourn

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Posted January 12, 2017 4:00 p.m

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, January 3, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.
210 State Street, City Hall, Council Chambers, Charlevoix, MI

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Luther Kurtz.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Mayor: Luther Kurtz
Members Present: Councilmembers Shane Cole, Shirley Gibson, Aaron Hagen, Janet Kalbfell, Tom Oleksy, Leon Perron
Members Absent: None
City Manager: Mark Heydlauff
City Clerk: Joyce Golding

3. Presentations

None.

4. Inquiry Regarding Conflicts of Interest

Councilmember Hagen disclosed that he holds a Liquor License. Mayor Kurtz recused himself from the Cantina Restaurant Group, LLC Redevelopment Liquor License Application item.

5. Consent Agenda

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- A. City Council Meeting Minutes – December 5, 2016 Regular Meeting
- B. City Council Meeting Minutes – December 19, 2016 Regular Meeting
- C. Special Accounts Payable Check Register – December 21, 2016
- D. Regular Accounts Payable Check Register – January 4, 2017
- E. ACH Payments – December 19, 2016 to December 30, 2016
- F. Payroll Check Register – December 30, 2016
- G. Payroll Transmittal – December 30, 2016
- H. Tax Disbursement – January 04, 2017
- I. Accepted John Kurtz's resignation from the Downtown Development Authority
- J. Set a Public Hearing for January 16, 2017 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall to consider Ordinance #779 of 2017 to amend certain provisions of Chapter 77 Liquor Licenses

Motion by Councilmember Gibson, second by Councilmember Hagen, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Yeas: Cole, Oleksy, Hagen, Kalbfell, Perron, Gibson
Nays: None
Absent: None

6. Public Hearings & Actions Requiring Public Hearings

None.

7. All Other Actions & Requests

A. Trademark Properties Building Fire Briefing

Chief Doan described in great detail the events of the Christmas Eve fire at the Trademark Properties Building. He provided both a timeline and narrative of how the City Fire Department handled the response which included calling for immediate mutual aid from Charlevoix Township, Boyne City, and East Jordan and then subsequent aid from Petoskey, Resort Bear Creek Township, and Banks Township. He noted that he and EMS Director Roloff were dual commanders on scene and their immediate concern was the gas meter fire at the back of the building. Chief Doan expressed his personal gratitude to everyone involved, both to first responders and to community members who provided food and beverages for those on scene. He stated that the fire started at the rear of the building and remains under investigation. He noted that there is no relation between the November fire and this one.

Councilmember Kalbfell asked multiple questions of Chief Doan to better understand the mechanisms during a fire emergency. The Chief explained how a fire commander is established, personnel scheduling, how the 911 call was handled, how the determination is made as to which trucks go out, and the use of a fire ground channel for communication. The Chief also described the response to the rekindling of the fire on Christmas Day. Councilmember Kalbfell asked Chief Doan if he saw any need for changes or what we could do better to prevent future fires. He suggested that business owners could contact a fire consultant who would perform a fire evaluation and would recommend improvements regarding fire suppression systems, etc.

Councilmember Perron commented that "it made me pause when I heard this description" of the fire at the gas line.

Councilmember Gibson asked several more questions. Chief Doan explained the fire command structure in more detail, fire training, and personnel scheduling, and why specific equipment was on scene. Councilmember Gibson commented that she received multiple questions from the public regarding the fire and "it is all about community safety" to her. She felt that there may be other areas downtown that could be susceptible to fire. Chief Doan indicated that no one performs fire safety inspections downtown. Councilmember Gibson suggested that some changes should be made so the City is better prepared for a fire emergency.

Chief Doan noted that his department was not involved with establishing the temporary gas line when questioned by Councilmember Cole.

Councilmember Oleksy asked whether there is a requirement for public buildings to have a fire prevention system. Chief Doan responded that there was not. Councilmember Gibson stated that she would like this changed.

Councilmember Hagen asked if a firefighter from another jurisdiction could operate our trucks. The Chief replied that trucks are different and personnel need to be trained to operate a specific vehicle.

When questioned by Mayor Kurtz, Chief Doan stated that the responding Fire Chiefs held a debriefing on scene when the fire was cleared and he noted that they concurred with the way the fire was handled.

Mayor Kurtz stated that he and the City Manager had conversations with State Senator Wayne Schmidt with regard to rebuilding opportunities. The Mayor commented that the City Manager was also involved with doing some marketing for the community to lift people's spirits.

Mayor Kurtz opened the item to public comment.

Maureen Owens thanked the Fire Department for working very hard and doing a great job.

JoAnne Beemon commented that it was difficult to believe the scope of the fire and she noted the effect that the fire had on Christmas Eve shoppers. She suggested that basic fire safety information should be distributed to the business owners.

The item was closed to the public.

City Manager Heydlauff suggested that the City could look at different options for fire prevention and he outlined his conversation with Senator Schmidt involving State programs which may apply and potentially establishing a miniature Renaissance Zone in the affected area of town. The City Manager extended his personal thanks to the Senator for reaching out to both he and the Mayor over the Christmas holiday. City Manager Heydlauff explained the marketing outreach which is planned with the Main Street Executive Director, Chamber President and the Convention and Visitors Bureau Director emphasizing that downtown is open for normal business. He noted that additional marketing will take place prior to the bridge closure in mid-March underscoring that 99% of the time the bridge will remain open.

City Manager Heydlauff stated that barring a City Ordinance change, fire suppression requirements for downtown structures are governed by the County Building Code.

Mayor Kurtz thanked Senator Schmidt for calling and visiting Charlevoix after the fire. He felt the near term marketing efforts will bring people to Charlevoix and lift the spirits of the community. Mayor Kurtz thanked the Chief and his department for their efforts as well as thanking the assisting fire departments.

B. Cantina Restaurant Group, LLC Redevelopment Liquor License Application

Mayor Kurtz recused himself and requested that Deputy Mayor Cole facilitate this discussion.

Cantina Restaurant Group, LLC sought support from City Council to obtain a Redevelopment Liquor License to be located at 101 Van Pelt Place. City Manager Heydlauff stated that a Redevelopment Liquor License requires a minimum property investment of \$75,000 and no other liquor licenses were available within the jurisdiction. He noted that a revised and approved site plan was distributed to Council due to requirements by the Plumbing Inspector. During their regularly scheduled meeting on December 20th, the DDA approved the Cantina's Redevelopment Application citing that it would be a welcome addition to the area and was in keeping with the Main Street investment goals.

Councilmember Gibson questioned whether there will be any fire suppression in the building. Evan Chappuies, Cantina Restaurant Group, LLC owner, stated that per the Building Code and Health Department there will be fire suppression equipment in the cooking area while will be none in any other areas of the building.

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION LOCAL GOVERNMENT LIQUOR LICENSE APPROVAL
(Authorized by MCL 436.1501)

At a REGULAR meeting of the City of Charlevoix City Council called to order by Mayor Luther Kurtz, on January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., the following resolution was offered:

Moved by Councilmember Kalbfell and supported by Councilmember Hagen that the application from Cantina Restaurant Group, LLC for the following license(s): SDM License, Class C License, and Redevelopment License to be located at 101 Van Pelt Place, Charlevoix, MI 49720

be considered for approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

RESOLVED this 3rd day January, 2017 A.D.

Resolution was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

Yeas: Cole, Oleksy, Hagen, Kalbfell, Perron, Gibson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Deputy Mayor Cole opened the item to public comment. There was no comment, and the item was closed.

Motion by Councilmember Kalbfell, second by Councilmember Hagen, to approve Resolution 2017-01-01, Michigan Liquor Control Commission Local Government Approval for Cantina Restaurant Group, LLC.

Yeas: Cole, Oleksy, Hagen, Kalbfell, Perron, Gibson
Nays: None
Absent: None

8. Reports & Communications

A. Public Comments

JoAnne Beemon noted that downtown sales were good on New Year's Eve and she received good comments regarding the day's events. She stated that Water and Air Team Charlevoix (WATCH) was holding a public forum on January 26th at 6:30 p.m. in the Library to discuss pipelines and clean energy initiatives.

B. City Manager Comments

City Manager Heydlauff requested Council's permission to approve the use of a beer tent in East Park for the Groundhog Shadow Fest in February. Permission was granted.

He noted that a productive Main Street wayfinding meeting was held today. A community meeting was scheduled for January 18th with A5 at the Library to gather public input regarding branding.

City Manager Heydlauff stated that Council will receive a draft of the 2017-2018 Budget this week.

C. Mayor & Council Comments

Councilmember Gibson discussed the adoption of a resolution by the Traverse City Commission supporting alternative energy sources. She wanted to add a similar initiative to our goals and felt that energy specialist Kate Madigan should talk to Council regarding this opportunity. City Manager Heydlauff will add a goals discussion to Council's Work Session on January 10th.

9. Other Council Business

None.

10. Adjourn

The Mayor stated if there were no objections, the meeting would adjourn. There were no objections. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Joyce M. Golding

City Clerk

Luther Kurtz

Mayor

AT&T LONG DISTANCE
AT&T MOBILITY

Special Accounts Payable – 12/21/2016

27.66
89.80

CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK
DELTA DENTAL

6,588.39
3,572.06

GREAT LAKES ENERGY	168.14	VERIZON WIRELESS	56.72
METLIFE SMALL BUSINESS CENTER	776.53	VISION SERVICE PLAN	518.88
PRIORITY HEALTH	43,659.80	TOTAL	55,457.98

Regular Accounts Payable – 01/04/2017

AIRGAS USA LLC	61.60	KSS ENTERPRISES	158.73
ALL-PHASE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.	541.39	MACDONALD GARBER	459.00
ARMSTRONG, THOMAS	20.18	MAYER, SHELLEY L.	41.00
ARROW UNIFORM-TAYLOR L.L.C.	1,159.48	McGINN, KELLY	41.00
AVFUEL CORPORATION	1,520.00	McGREGOR, DAVID	82.50
B & L SOUND INC	501.91	MCVEIGH'S TRUCK SPRINGS INC.	83.10
BOB MATHERS FORD	1,263.90	MDC CONTRACTING LLC	430,260.36
BUNKER, JENNIFER	30.00	MICHIGAN MUSHROOM MARKET LLC	14.00
BUSK, KRISTINE	1.03	MICHIGAN WATER ENV ASSOC	560.00
CCP INDUSTRIES INC	279.88	MOELLERING, HEINZE	7.48
CENTRAL DRUG STORE	113.42	MYER, ELIZABETH A.	258.21
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY TREASURER	312.39	NORTHERN BROADCAST INC.	336.00
CHARLEVOIX SCREEN MASTERS INC	86.00	NORTHERN MICHIGAN REVIEW INC.	121.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	120.18	OMS COMPLIANCE SERVICES INC	379.00
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX - PETTY CASH	429.01	PANOFF, ZACH	41.00
CRYSTAL FLASH ENERGY	1,014.04	PARASTAR INC.	925.35
DCASSESSING SERVICES	4,371.08	PARSONS, SARAH	12.69
DeROSIA, PATTY	41.00	POWER LINE SUPPLY	1,724.00
DITCH WITCH SALES OF MICHIGAN	129,000.00	PREFERRED WASTE 2 LLC	425.00
DOAN, GERARD	41.00	ROBINSON, DAVID	20.18
DORNBOS SIGN INC.	149.30	ROLOFF, ROBERT	41.00
DOTSON, LINDSEY J.	41.00	ROLYAN BUOYS	462.00
ELLIOTT, PATRICK M.	41.00	RYLANDER, DONALD	44.45
EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	389.78	SCHWEITZER ENGINEERING	
ETNA SUPPLY	497.29	LABORATORIES INC	15,820.00
EVANS, HAL	41.00	SHARROW MASONRY INC	615.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	532.07	STATE OF MICHIGAN	60.00
FERGUSON & CHAMBERLAIN	283.00	STATE OF MICHIGAN	69,691.00
FOX CHARLEVOIX FORD	165.00	STATE OF MICHIGAN	3,000.00
GALLS AN ARAMARK COMPANY	272.99	SUPERIOR MECHANICAL	780.00
GOLDING, JOYCE	41.00	SWANSON K & D INC	400.00
HACH COMPANY	1,331.15	SWEM, DONALD L.	41.00
HAGGARD'S INC	391.16	SYSTEMS SPECIALISTS INC	950.00
HANKINS, SCOTT	41.00	T & R ELECTRIC	1,958.00
HEID, THOMAS J.	41.00	TEMPERATURE CONROL INC.	1,260.55
HEYDLAUFF, MARK L	41.00	TRAILER DELIVERY SERVICE	500.00
INDEPENDENT DRAFTING SERVICES	175.00	TRUCK & TRAILER SPECIALTIES	23.06
J & N CONSTRUCTION	6,850.00	USA BLUE BOOK	1,227.00
JOBA, BOB	140.59	WEATHERVANE TERRACE INN	2,856.46
JONES & JONES GARAGE DOOR SVCS INC.	115.50	WELLER, LINDA	70.70
KEVIN'S METER TESTING	1,997.80	WOOD, BARRY	51.87
KIRINOVIC, THOMAS	41.00	WORK & PLAY SHOP	82.26
KLEINHENN, BETTY	9.74	WPS TRICARE FOR LIFE	90.12
KLOOSTER, ALIDA K.	41.00	WURST, RANDALL W.	41.00
KRELL, MARY	125.00	WYMAN, MATTHEW A.	41.00
		TOTAL	690,757.93

ACH Payments – 12/19/2016 to 12/30/2016

MI PUBLIC POWER AGENCY	16,060.58	STATE OF MI (WITHHOLDING TAX)	4,231.78
MATSON DRISCOLL DAMICO	186,062.08	VANTAGEPOINT (401 ICMA PLAN)	699.94
MI PUBLIC POWER AGENCY	282,100.78	VANTAGEPOINT (457 ICMA PLAN)	13,195.07
MI PUBLIC POWER AGENCY	4,141.75	VANTAGEPOINT (ROTH IRA)	911.53
IRS (PAYROLL TAX DEPOSIT)	29,969.01	MERS DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN	44,003.39
ALERUS FINANCIAL (HCSP)	420.00	TOTAL	581,795.91

Payroll Net Pay – Pay Period Ending 12/24/2016 (Paid 12/30/2016)

CAMPBELL, GABRIEL M.	437.44	LOY, EVELYN R.	1,049.78
WELLER, LINDA JO	1,463.42	KLOOSTER, ALIDA K.	1,538.39
HEYDLAUFF, MARK L.	2,112.28	GOLOVICH, KAREN J.	966.90
GOLDING, JOYCE M.	1,082.62	SPENCLEY, PATRICIA L.	1,155.89
DEROSIA, PATRICIA E.	885.71	PANOFF, ZACHARY R.	1,169.53
DOTSON, LINDSEY J.	1,392.51	MILLER, FAITH G.	59.64

MCGINN, KELLY A.	1,563.31	KIRINOVIC, THOMAS F.	473.63
DOAN, GERARD P.	1,558.56	BITELY, KATHERINE A.	500.07
SCHLAPPI, JAMES L.	1,118.92	BOSS, SHERRY M.	120.05
UMULIS, MATTHEW T.	1,615.31	HAGEN, MADISON L.	46.17
HANKINS, SCOTT A.	1,456.20	CRANDELL, ZACKARY R.	50.79
ORBAN, BARBARA K.	1,343.10	BERTINELLI, DAVID P.	975.63
TRAEGER, JASON A.	1,563.80	BOSS, BEAU J.	849.54
FLICKEMA, ANDREW M.	1,666.55	HEID, THOMAS J.	1,272.06
MATELSKI, KIMBERLY A.	1,143.04	MYER, ELIZABETH A.	1,653.03
ROLOFF, ROBERT P.	1,446.06	VANLOO, JOSEPH G.	590.55
RILEY, DENISE M.	418.25	WYMAN, MATTHEW A.	1,148.78
WURST, RANDALL W.	1,199.00	SCHRADER, LOU ANN	441.59
MAYER, SHELLEY L.	1,780.77	BOSS, RYDER S.	512.52
HILLING, NICHOLAS A.	1,186.11	MILLER, WILLIAM S.	960.02
MEIER III, CHARLES A.	1,064.69	STEVENS, JEFFREY W.	44.32
ZACHARIAS, STEVEN B.	1,412.05	BEAN, PETER J.	487.35
EATON, BRAD A.	1,882.45	TIMMS, ROBERT N.	46.17
WILSON, TIMOTHY J.	2,033.24	SWEM, DONALD L.	1,833.31
LAVOIE, RICHARD L.	1,629.43	WHITLEY, ANDREW T.	2,035.37
STEVENS, BRANDON C.	2,556.73	MORRISON, KEVIN P.	1,435.08
DRAVES, MARTIN J.	2,086.37	HODGE, MICHAEL J.	1,358.18
BROWN, STEPHANIE C.	1,041.42	JOHNSON, STEVEN P.	1,678.13
ANDERSON, ELIZABETH A.	1,107.24	BOSS JR, DALE E.	1,211.41
ELLIOTT, PATRICK M.	1,961.50	STEBE JR, JOHN M.	96.90
SCHWARTZFISHER, JOSEPH L.	1,485.93	STEBE, CATHERINE M.	88.10
BRADLEY, KELLY R.	1,620.76	HOLM, ARTHUR R.	898.72
HART II, DELBERT W.	1,165.27	MATTER, DAWSON K.	48.45
JONES, ROBERT F.	1,704.46		
DORAN, JUSTIN J.	1,521.84	TOTAL	77,502.39

Payroll Transmittal – 12/30/2016

4FRONT CREDIT UNION	307.69	CHEMICAL BANK	150.00
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	228.78	COMMUNICATION WORKERS OF AMER	519.37
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	461.64	MI STATE DISBURSEMENT UNIT	323.45
CHAR EM UNITED WAY	56.00	PRIORITY HEALTH	2,014.96
CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK	1,304.62	TOTAL	5,366.51

Tax Disbursement – 01/04/2017

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY TREASURER	465.20	CORELOGIC	546.49
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY TREASURER	320,587.94	DURBIN, LEILANI	31.07
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY TREASURER	397.87	FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,142.82
CHARLEVOIX DISTRICT LIBRARY	87,101.23	HEARTLAND FOOD PRODUCTS	53.77
CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS	18,188.21	HOLM, BILLIE JEAN	31.96
CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS	2,896.00	HOYT, DAVID & LISA	734.32
CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS	302.24	LERETA LLC	737.77
CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS	23.10	NOVOTNY, WILLIAM	10.00
CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS	431.62	RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY	17,551.94
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX - TAXES DUE	79,112.85	STATE OF MICHIGAN	1,370.11
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX/DDA	93,280.67	TOTAL	624,997.18

Pay Period Date	Check Issue Date	Check Number	Payee	Emp ID	Description	Amount
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119102	4FRONT CREDIT UNION	9024	HSA-EMPLOYEE CONTRIB-4FR	307.69
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119103	AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	9011	AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE-POST	228.78
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119103	AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	9011	AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE-PRETA	461.64
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119104	CHAR EM UNITED WAY	9009	UNITED WAY Pay Period: 1/7/20	59.00
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119105	CHARLEVOIX STATE BA	9017	HSA - EMPLOYEE CONTRIB - C	1,304.62
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119106	CHEMICAL BANK	9018	HSA - EMPLOYEE CONTRIB - C	150.00
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119107	COMMUNICATION WORK	9004	CWA UNION DUES Pay Period:	519.37
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119108	MI STATE DISBURSEME	9012	FRIEND OF THE COURT Pay P	323.45
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119109	POLICE OFFICERS LABO	9003	POL UNION DUES Pay Period: 1	201.00
01/07/2017	01/13/2017	119110	PRIORITY HEALTH	392358	PRIORITY HEALTH Pay Period:	2,014.96
Grand Totals:		10				5,570.51

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Summary of Check Registers & ACH Payments

FIRSTMERIT BANK - CHECKS ISSUED

01/13/17 Payroll Transmittal Checks	\$ 5,570.51
01/13/17 Payroll (net pay)	\$ 93,083.34
01/17/17 Regular Accounts Payable	\$ 121,782.70
Checks Sub-Total:	\$ 220,436.55

FIRSTMERIT BANK - ACH/WIRE PAYMENTS

01/03/17 MI Public Power Agency	\$ 13,457.30
01/04/17 Payment Service Network	\$ 268.50
01/09/17 MI Public Power Agency	\$ 4,039.85
01/09/17 State of MI (Sales Tax)	\$ 18,582.48
01/10/17 DTE Energy	\$ 7,634.61
01/13/17 IRS (Payroll Tax Deposit)	\$ 35,778.52
01/13/17 Alerus Financial (HCSP)	\$ 420.00
01/13/17 State of MI (Withholding Tax)	\$ 5,074.01
01/13/17 Vantagepoint (401 ICMA Plan)	\$ 699.94
01/13/17 Vantagepoint (457 ICMA Plan)	\$ 13,450.81
01/13/17 Vantagepoint (Roth IRA)	\$ 911.53
ACH Sub-Total:	\$ 100,317.55

FirstMerit Bank Total: \$ 320,754.10

CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK - CHECKS ISSUED

(PROPERTY TAX DISBURSEMENT TO VARIOUS TAXING AUTHORITIES)

01/17/17 Tax Disbursement	\$ 404,336.24
Charlevoix State Bank Total:	\$ 404,336.24

Grand Total: \$ 725,090.34

APPROVED:


CITY MANAGER


CITY TREASURER


CITY CLERK

Pay Period Date	Journal Code	Check Issue Date	Check Number	Payee	Emp ID	Description	Amount
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22704	GIBSON, SHIRLEY J.	43		512.54
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22705	PERRON, LEON R.	45		350.85
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22706	KURTZ, LUTHER J.	54		525.79
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22707	HAGEN, AARON W.	56		304.75
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22708	OLEKSY, THOMAS M.	57		130.63
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22709	KALBFELL, JANET P.	58		183.11
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22710	WELLER, LINDA JO	101		1,469.19
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22711	HEYDLAUFF, MARK L.	102		2,392.96
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22712	GOLDING, JOYCE M.	106		1,080.00
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22713	DEROSIA, PATRICIA E.	107		1,027.12
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22714	DOTSON, LINDSEY J.	109		1,393.28
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22715	LOY, EVELYN R.	117		1,050.16
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22716	KLOOSTER, ALIDA K.	121		1,736.98
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22717	GOLOVICH, KAREN J.	122		970.67
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22718	SPENCLEY, PATRICIA L.	136		1,118.21
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22719	PANOFF, ZACHARY R.	141		1,169.91
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22720	MILLER, FAITH G.	142		36.70
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22721	LEESE, MERRI C.	145		96.97
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22722	MCGINN, KELLY A.	146		1,564.07
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22723	DOAN, GERARD P.	201		1,559.32
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22724	SCHLAPPI, JAMES L.	204		1,233.04
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22725	UMULIS, MATTHEW T.	205		1,605.15
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22726	HANKINS, SCOTT A.	208		1,498.74
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22727	ORBAN, BARBARA K.	209		1,600.33
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22728	TRAEGER, JASON A.	210		1,677.90
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22729	FLICKEMA, ANDREW M.	211		1,914.23
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22730	MATELSKI, KIMBERLY A.	212		1,143.81
01/07/2017	PC	01/13/2017	22731	ROLOFF, ROBERT P.	304		1,674.90
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CHECKS DRAWN ON CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK ACCOUNT

**CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL
CONSENT AGENDA ITEM**

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Set Public Hearing for Recreation Master Plan Draft

DATE: January 16, 2017

PRESENTED BY: Consent Agenda

ATTACHMENTS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The City of Charlevoix Recreation Advisory Board has developed a draft Five-Year Recreation Master Plan. The plan is based on the *Guidelines for Community Park, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plans* as published by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. It evaluates existing recreation opportunities, reviews public opinion regarding recreation, sets goals and objectives, and proposes a five-year action plan. A public hearing is part of the master plan approval process.

Copies of the draft plan are available for review at City Hall and online at <http://charlevoix.recdesk.com> until February 20, 2017. Comments and questions can be directed to Recreation Director Tom Kirinovic at City Hall, tomk@cityofcharlevoix.org or (231) 547-3253 until February 20, 2017.

RECOMMENDATION:

Set a public hearing to receive input on the Recreation Master Plan draft for February 20, 2017 at 7:00 pm at Charlevoix City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI, 49720.

CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Ordinance #779 of 2017- Amending certain provisions of Chapter 77:
Liquor Licenses

DATE: January 16, 2017

PRESENTED BY: Mark L. Heydlauff, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance 779: Chapter 77 Liquor Licenses

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This fall, new ownership of the Townhouse Bar sought to transfer the ownership of the liquor license. This required Council action in addition to approval from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. We learned we are one of the only communities in northern Michigan still requiring local approval for this type of transfer. Council asked the City Attorney draft an amendment to our ordinance to do away with this provision.

If Council approves this ordinance, new licenses and certain types of transfers will still come to Council, as required by State law, but ownership transfers will no longer need Council approval so long as they have met MLCC requirements.

A public hearing is a required element in the ordinance approval process.

RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to adopt Ordinance #779 of 2017- An ordinance to amend certain provisions of Chapter 77:
Liquor Licenses

**City of Charlevoix
Ordinance No. 779 of 2017**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE VII,
BUSINESS AND TRADES,
CHAPTER 77, LIQUOR LICENSES**

The Charlevoix City Council desires to no longer give local approve for the transfer of liquor licenses and instructed the City Attorney draft the following amendment to do away with the provision.

THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Repeal of Chapter 77 of Title VII, Business and Trades of the Charlevoix City Code

SECTION 2. Amendment to Title VII, Business and Trades of the Charlevoix City Code

Chapter 77, Liquor Licenses is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**CHAPTER 77
LIQUOR LICENSES**

7.301. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter, the following words shall be defined to include:

- A. "License" means a liquor license issued by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.
- B. "Person" means an individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership or any other business entity.
- C. Public Nudity means knowingly or intentionally displaying in a public place, or for payment or promise of payment by any person including, but not limited to, payment or promise of payment of an admission fee, any individual's genitals or anus with less than a fully opaque covering, or a female individual's breast with less than a fully opaque covering of the nipple and areola. Public nudity does not include any of the following:
 - 1. A woman's breastfeeding of a baby whether or not the nipple or areola is exposed during or incidental to the feeding.
 - 2. Material as defined in section 2 of Act No 343 of the Public Acts of 1984, being section 752.362 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - 3. Sexually explicit visual material as defined in section 3 of Act No. 33 of the Public Acts of 1978, being section 722.673 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- D. Public Place means any real property or an appurtenance to the real property which is owned by this state, any municipality of this state, a public agency, or by a college or university in this state and may include a structure, enclosure, facility, or complex, including a court, mall, park, or other area, feature, or element; a public place shall also mean a business or an educational, refreshment, entertainment, recreation, health, or transportation facility, or institution of any kind, whether licensed or not, whose goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations are extended, offered, sold, or otherwise made available to the public.

7.302. Legislative Intent

The city council acknowledges the difference which the law recognizes between applications for new licenses and the transfer, renewal or revocation of existing licenses. This Ordinance is designed to provide a framework in which the city council can decide whether to approve or deny an application for a new license or an application to transfer an existing license. This framework, when followed, will show a reviewing court that the city council's discretion was not exercised arbitrarily or capriciously. The city council recognizes that the issuance or denial of a license can be controversial and that litigation over the city council's decision can easily result.

The regulation of licenses and their impact on the land use goals of the city are legislative decisions. The voters and legislative process are the methods which should be used to alter legislative decisions as long as the legislative decisions are not made in an arbitrary and capricious manner. It is hoped that a reviewing court will respect the function of the city council as well as the electoral process in evaluating the actions of the city council.

Sections of this ordinance dealing with Public Nudity are intended to address the city's recognition that Public Nudity in areas in which alcohol is being consumed can create significant negative secondary effects. Such sections are intended to regulate and minimize those negative secondary effects and to effectuate the city's definition of Public Nudity, and are not intended to specifically regulate or inhibit any activity protected by the First Amendment.

The city acknowledges that existing licensees have property rights in those licenses. Thus, for the transfer of existing licenses the city has adopted with modification certain requirements recommended by the Michigan Townships Association. For the renewal or revocation of existing licenses, the city has adopted a system in this ordinance to meet procedural due process requirements.

7.303. Application for License—New and Transfers Requiring Local Approval

A. Application.

Applications shall be required for a new license or for transfers of existing licenses requiring local approval under the Michigan Liquor Control Code. Applications shall be made to the city council in writing, signed by the applicant, if an individual, or by a duly authorized agent thereof, if a partnership or corporation, verified by oath or affidavit, and shall contain the following statements and information:

1. The name, age and address of the applicant in the case of an individual; or, in the case of a co-partnership, the persons entitled to share in the profits thereof; in the case of a corporation, the objects for which organized, the names and addresses of the officers and directors, and, if a majority interest in the stock of such corporation is owned by one person or his/her nominee, the name and address of such person.
2. The citizenship of the applicant, his/her place of birth, and, if a naturalized citizen, the time and place of his naturalization.
3. The character of the business of the applicant including a description of what services will be provided to patrons and how intoxicating liquor will be offered in conjunction with those services. In the case of a corporation, a copy of the Articles of Incorporation shall also be provided.
4. The length of time the applicant has been in business of that character, or, in the case of a corporation, the date when its articles of incorporation were approved by the State.
5. The location and description of the premises or place of business which is to be operated under such license.
6. A statement whether the applicant has made an application for a similar or other license on premises other than described in this application, and the disposition of that application.

7. A statement that the applicant has never been convicted of a felony and is not disqualified to receive a license by reason of any matter or thing contained in this Ordinance or the laws of the State or Michigan.
8. A statement that the applicant will not violate any of the laws of the State of Michigan or of the United States or any ordinances of the city in the conduct of its business.
9. A statement as to whether the applicant will offer entertainment at the licensed premises, and a description of the kind(s) of entertainment to be offered. The statement will address whether any entertainment will include Public Nudity.
10. The application shall be accompanied by building and site plans showing the entire structure and premises and, in particular, the specific areas where the license is to be utilized. The plans shall demonstrate adequate off-street parking, lighting, refuse disposal facilities and, where appropriate, adequate plans for screening and noise control.
11. A copy of all financial information and documents provided to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission investigator regarding financial responsibility.

B. Approval Standard for New License or License Transfer Requiring Local Approval

In determining whether a new license should be issued or an existing license should be transferred, the city council shall consider the following factors:

1. Whether the applicant, or if a partnership or corporation any member of the partnership or corporation, has been denied a license in the past seven (7) years and the reasons for the denial.
2. Whether the application is complete and contains all of the information required by this ordinance.
3. Whether the application shows compliance with applicable city ordinances regarding off-street parking, lighting, refuse disposal facilities and landscaping/screening and, additionally, noise control.
4. The impact of the proposed license and associated business on the occupants and owners of adjoining properties.
5. Whether the proposed license and associated business will adversely affect traffic safety.
6. Accessibility to the sight from abutting roads.
7. The distance from public or private schools for minors.
8. Whether the business will cause noise which would so that public or private land will be adversely affected.

C. Requirements for License—New and Transfers Requiring Local Approval

Regardless of the city council's evaluation of the approval standards, no license shall be issued to:

1. A person whose license, under this Ordinance, has been revoked for cause.
2. A person who, at the time of the application or renewal of any license issued hereunder, would not be eligible for such license upon a first application.

3. A person who does not own the premises for which a license is sought or does not have a lease therefor for the full period for which the license is issued, or to a person, corporation or co-partnership that does not have sufficient financial assets to carry on or maintain the business.
 4. A person on whose premises there exists a violation of the applicable building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing or fire codes, applicable zoning regulations, applicable public health regulations, or any other applicable city ordinance.
 5. A person whose application proposes a use which would be in violation of any city zoning or police power ordinance, or state or federal law.
 6. A person in situations where there are delinquent unpaid real estate taxes and/or personal property taxes relating to the real estate or business which has been used, is used or will be used in conjunction with the license.
 7. A person where it is determined by a majority of the city council that the premises for which the license has been requested do not or will not within six (6) months after commencement of operations, have adequate off-street parking, lighting, refuse disposal facilities, screening, noise, or nuisance control or where a nuisance does or will exist.
 8. A person whose licensing activity will expand or intensify a non-conforming use under the city zoning ordinance.
- D. Term of License--Approval of a license shall continue for as long as the Michigan Liquor Control Commission license continues subject to periodic review by the city council regarding continued compliance with the regulations of this Ordinance and any conditions of approval. Approval of a license shall be on the condition that any necessary remodeling or new construction for the use of the license shall be commenced within six (6) months of the action of the city council or the Michigan Liquor Control Commission approving such license, whichever last occurs. Any delay in the completion of such remodeling or construction may subject the license to revocation.
- E. Reservation of Authority--No applicant for a license has the right to the issuance of such a license to him, her or it, and the city council reserves the right to exercise reasonable discretion to determine who, if anyone, shall be entitled to the issuance of such license. If an application is incomplete, the license may be denied without a consideration of the merits of the application.
- F. License Hearing--The city council may act on an application for a new license or the transfer of an existing license at any regular or special meeting. The city council may hold a public hearing on any application when it is determined to be in the public interest. Following action on an application, the city council shall submit to the applicant a written statement of its findings and determination.

7.304. Objections to Renewal and Request for Revocation

A. Procedure

Before filing an objection to the renewal or a request for the revocation of a license with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, the city council shall serve a notice of hearing on the license holder. This notice of hearing shall be served by first class mail, not less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing. The notice of hearing shall contain the following:

1. Notice of proposed action.
2. Reasons for the proposed action.
3. Date, time and place of the hearing.
4. A statement that the licensee may present evidence and testimony and question adverse witnesses.

Following the hearing, the city council shall submit to the license holder and the Commission, a written statement of its findings and determination. An objection to an application for renewal must be forwarded to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the license.

B. Criteria for Non-renewal or Revocation

The city council shall recommend non-renewal or revocation of a license upon a determination by it that based upon a preponderance of the evidence presented at the hearing either of the following exists:

1. Violation of any of the requirements on licenses set forth in Section IV, Paragraph C, 1 through 8 above, or,
2. Maintenance of a nuisance upon the premises.

7.305. City of Charlevoix Redevelopment Liquor License Program

A. Definitions

As used in this section, the following definitions shall apply:

"Downtown Development Authority" (DDA) means the Authority created by and described in Title I, Article IV (Section 1.271, et seq.) of the City Code.

"Redevelopment Project Area" means land and buildings located within the boundaries of the DDA, which are described in Section 1.276 of the City Code.

"Real property interest" means a legally recognized right in land and buildings on that land and may be established by a deed, lease, land contract, contingent sale, contingent lease, or similar documentation.

B. Application for Redevelopment Liquor License

Applications for City approval of a Redevelopment Liquor License, as authorized by MCL 436.1521a(1)(b), as amended, may be submitted to the City Clerk for real property located within the Redevelopment Project Area. The application fee shall be paid at the time of the filing of the application. The application shall contain or be accompanied by the following:

1. If the applicant is not the owner, the applicant shall include written approval by the owner for the submission of the application.
2. The address of the real property at which the license will be used.
3. Documentation whether the applicant has a real property interest in the real property with which the license will be used.
4. Documentation showing that at least \$75,000 has been expended for the rehabilitation or restoration of the building that will house the licensed premises, or which makes a commitment for a capital investment of at least \$75,000 which will be expended prior to the issuance of the license.
5. Documentation of attempts to purchase a readily available escrowed or quota on-premise license within the City of Charlevoix, and why such license was not reasonably available.

6. Documentation regarding the type of business with which the license will be used.
 7. The seating capacity of business with which the license will be used.
 8. Additional information or documentation that will show whether the application complies with the standards contained in Section 7.303.A. and Section 7.305.D. of the City Code.
- C. Actions of City Clerk, DDA and City Council.
- The City Clerk shall determine whether the application is complete. If the application is complete and the application fee has been paid, the application shall be forward to the executive director of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for a written recommendation by the DDA board regarding whether the application meets the standards of the City Code for the issuance of the Redevelopment Liquor License and the reasons for DDA's recommendation. The DDA shall have 30 days from the submission of the application to its executive director to make its recommendation to the City Council or this requirement of a recommendation from the DDA shall be waived. Upon the expiration of 30 days from submission of the application to the executive director of the DDA or upon receipt by the City Clerk of the DDA's recommendation, whichever occurs first, the application and the DDA's recommendation, if any, shall be submitted to the City Council for consideration and written notice of the time and date on which the application will be considered by the City Council. An application that is incomplete shall neither be forwarded to the DDA nor to the City Council.
- D. Standards For Non-preferential Approval
- When an application is submitted for City approval of a Redevelopment Liquor License and the State Liquor Control Commission does not request or require that the City approve one application "above all others" or otherwise prioritize an application, the application may be approved, approved with conditions or denied by the City Council. Any conditions shall relate to compliance with the requirements or standards contained in the City Code and which are applicable to the application. In determining whether a license should be approved, the City Council shall consider the following requirements or factors (jointly, called the Standards):
1. If the applicant is not the owner, the owner of the real property with which the license will be used must approve in writing the submission of the application.
 2. The applicant must have a real property interest in the real property with which the license will be used.
 3. The business with which the license will be used shall be engaged in dining, entertainment or recreation.
 4. The business with which the license will be used shall have a seating capacity of at least twenty-five (25) people.
 5. At least \$75,000 shall have been expended for the rehabilitation or restoration of the building that will house the licensed premises, or which makes a commitment for a capital investment of at least \$75,000 or if a commitment has been made to expend at least \$75,000 prior to the issuance of the license, the applicant must agree that the fulfillment of this commitment shall be a condition of approval.
 6. The applicant shall have attempted to purchase a readily available escrowed or quota on-premise license within the City of Charlevoix and shall establish that a license was not reasonably available.
 7. The extent to which the business with which the license will be used will contribute a new or unique choice to the mix of businesses in the DDA district.
 8. The extent to which the business with which the license will be used will promote economic growth in a manner consistent with adopted goals, plans or policies applicable to the DDA district, including but not limited to the DDA's Development Plan and all other master plans applicable to the DDA district.
 9. Those factors related to a request for issuance of a new liquor license contained in Section 7.303.B. of the City Code.

E. Standards for Preferential Approval

When an application is submitted for a Redevelopment Liquor License and the State Liquor Control Commission requests or requires the City to approve one application "above all others" or otherwise prioritize an application, the following procedure shall apply:

1. The application must be approved or approved with conditions pursuant to Section 7.305.D. of the City Code.
2. The application shall be ranked or prioritized by the City Council in comparison to other pending and approved applications in a manner consistent with the request or requirements of the State Liquor Control Commission.
3. In evaluating the ranking or prioritization of an application, the Council shall consider the extent to which the application and supporting information or documentation exceeds the Standards contained in Section 703.5.D. and the detail and quality of the application and supporting information or documentation. The more detailed and precise the application and the supporting information or documentation and the greater the extent that the Standards contained in Section 705.3.D. are exceeded, then the higher the priority that such an application shall be given.

F. Setting of Application Fee.

The City Council shall adopt by resolution for an application fee for a Redevelopment Liquor License and may modify such fee from time to time.

G. Zoning Compliance.

The issuance of a Redevelopment Liquor License does not alter the requirement that the proposed land use must comply with all applicable zoning regulations.

SECTION 3. Severability.

If any section, provision or clause of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any remaining

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its enactment.

Ordinance No. ____-2017 was enacted on the ____ day of ____ 2017, by the Charlevoix City Council as follows:

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Yeas:

Nays:

Absent:

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, the Clerk of the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Ordinance No, ____ of 2017 adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlevoix, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on _____, 2017 and published in the Charlevoix Courier on _____ 2017, the original of which is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976.

Dated _____

Joyce Golding, City Clerk

CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Park Protection Measures

DATE: January 16, 2017

PRESENTED BY: Scott Howard, City Attorney
Mark L. Heydlauff, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS: None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

When the Conservation Easement Proposal was not approved in the referendum last fall, there was some thought of attempting a more limited Charter amendment that would make it harder for the City to sell or change certain areas like Mt. McSauba and Lake Michigan Beach Park.

As Council requested in December, the City Attorney and I met to discuss these options. He will be present to answer your question and discuss how an amendment like this might be structured.

He will also be prepared to discuss how the Shade Tree Ordinance might be amended to expand the Shade Tree Commission to cover the care of our parks.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council discussion and direction to the City Attorney

CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: 2017-2018 City Council Goals
DATE: January 16, 2017
PRESENTED BY: Mark L. Heydlauff, City Manager
ATTACHMENTS: 2017-2018 City Council Goals Draft

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Based on our discussion on January 10 of goals for the coming year and beyond, I have drafted the attached document. For each of the five goals, I would suggest we have a work session with some guests who could present relevant topics for your consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council discussion and/or motion to adopt the 2017-2018 City Council Goals.

City of Charlevoix

2017-2018 City Council Goals

Ensure Charlevoix is environmentally sustainable while also economically viable

Charlevoix should be a leader in using renewable energy to meet the demands of our electric customers and to protect our natural resources. Our built infrastructure should incorporate design standards that protect our waterways, preserve our trees, and encourage healthy living. Recycling, energy optimization, and water conservation will be encouraged.

Action steps:

- Schedule a work session to learn about these topics (Michigan Environmental Council, Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, and others)
- Set an attainable and economically viable goal of powering all City-owned facilities with renewable energy
- Develop a program for electric customers to cooperate and invest in solar and wind generation projects
- Consider ordinance changes in support of the Lake Charlevoix Watershed Plan and improve storm water effluent
- Improve the availability of recycling receptacles throughout the community- especially downtown
- Plan for non-motorized trails, bike parking, and pedestrian-friendly design in infrastructure projects where appropriate

Include the senior citizen community in all public events and activities

We have a growing senior citizen population and it is important for all members of the community to enjoy the quality of life we offer. Public facilities, especially parks, should have activities available for all ages and ability levels.

Action steps:

- Work with the Charlevoix County Transit Authority to provide shuttles during special events to provide remote parking and ease of transit
- Consider a survey to see what additional activities are desired- especially for senior citizens
- Develop a policy requiring all festivals and special events who use public spaces to provide a statement of inclusion for senior citizens
- Consider adding activities in East Park and Bridge Park like shuffle board and concrete checker and chess boards

Develop and maintain long-term infrastructure plans

As a progressive, year-round community, Charlevoix's infrastructure must be reliable in all weather conditions and should deliver the services required by our population.

Action steps:

- Develop and continually maintain a long-range plan of street and utility upgrades that can be used for planning and capital budget development
- Develop a plan for implementing city-wide Wi-Fi and other technological benefits for our permanent residents, visitors, and seasonal residents
- Obtain more information about and explore professional consultation for adding heated sidewalks in the downtown
- Improve the snow and ice clearing from sidewalks throughout the community by working with property owners

Provide strong stewardship of public resources and promote good governance

We will seek collaboration with other entities around the area and look for ways to efficiently provide the quality services the community expects. Charlevoix government should be organized around gathering public input and effectively giving staff and Council good recommendations for public policy.

Action steps:

- Assess our committees, boards, and commissions to determine continued need and whether restructuring is appropriate
- Consider amending the Shade Tree Ordinance to expand the mission of the Shade Tree Commission to protect the long-term condition of our parks
- Draft a charter amendment to increase the protections for all of our parks, while ensuring local enjoyment of these resources in perpetuity
- Provide appropriate fire protection for the community that recognizes pro-active fire prevention measures and collaboration with neighboring municipalities
- Improve the City's website and include more information for those seeking to live, visit, and build a business in Charlevoix; include ways for residents to keep in contact with the City through electronic methods

Enhance and showcase the outstanding quality of life in Charlevoix

Charlevoix is well known as one of the premiere resort communities on the Great Lakes, but of equal importance is that it is home to our residents. We cannot lose sight of our community being "home." One of our strongest attributes is the many activities and amenities offered; we should support these and build upon them.

Action steps:

- Recognize the role of our cultural corridor institutions (Charlevoix Public Library, Circle of Arts, and Historical Society) and build on their programming
- Encourage more outdoor dining and placemaking settings that showcase the unique geography, architecture, and programming of Charlevoix
- Collaborate with Charlevoix Township on the development of a dog park and a dog beach to help residents enjoy public spaces with their four-legged friends
- Enhance existing recreation options by opening the pier for jumping at Ferry Beach and considering tubing at Mt. McSaubia

**CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM**

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Mayoral Appointment

DATE: January 16, 2017

PRESENTED BY: Joyce M. Golding, City Clerk

ATTACHMENTS: Volunteer Boards and Committees Applications

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The resignation of John Kurtz from the Downtown Development Authority Board created a vacancy. The Mayor is obligated to appoint an applicant to fill this position with the term expiring in April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to appoint Citizen Name to the Downtown Development Authority, term expiring April 2017.



CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
VOLUNTEER BOARDS AND COMMITTEES APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in serving on a volunteer board, commission or committee. The purpose of this form is to provide the Mayor and City Council members with some information about residents considered for appointment. Your application will be kept active for six months and you will be contacted if you are chosen to serve.

☐ AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
☐ BOARD OF REVIEW
☐ COMPENSATION COMMISSION
☒ DDA/MAIN STREET BOARD

☐ HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
☐ HOUSING COMMISSION
☐ PLANNING COMMISSION
☐ RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

☐ SHADE TREE COMMISSION
☐ ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
☐ OTHER _____
☐ NO PREFERENCE

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Julie Mann
ADDRESS: 309 W Upright St
HOME PHONE: 231-373-2554 CELL PHONE: same
EMAIL: candjmann@yahoo.com
ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER IN THE CITY? yes HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN THE CITY? 5 yrs
HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN A MINOR TRAFFIC VIOLATION? no

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Highschool Diploma, Executive Secretary
Degree @ Rasmussen Biz College, some classed @ U of MN

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND/OR WORK EXPERIENCE: owner/executive chef @ Smoke on
the Water; Ameriprise Financial phone rep for
qualified plans & REITS - had my Series 7 & 6
Events Coordinator @ major church in Grand Rapids

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND/OR OTHER EXPERIENCE: ran MI beach concession stand - 1 season
insight of owning a business off "main street"

HAVE YOU SERVED ON A BOARD/COMMITTEE OR HELD A CIVIC POSITION IN THE PAST? IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN:
Yes created Best Practices Committee @ Transamerica's
new branch to set up policies & procedures

DO YOU FORESEE ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST WHILE EXECUTING THE DUTIES OF THIS POSITION? IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN:
No - as a business owner in CHX I believe I have a
good insight, but my intent is to help Chx grow and
prosper as a whole.

REASON(S) YOU WISH TO SERVE: to assist in helping Chx become
a more vibrant community for the locals, tourists
and business community. To help expand Chx to
more than 4 blocks!

HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE CURRENT MEETING SCHEDULE OF THE BOARD/COMMITTEE AND CAN COMMIT TO REGULAR MEETING ATTENDANCE? _____

SIGNATURE: Julie A Mann DATE: 12-30-16

RETURN APPLICATION TO THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:
210 STATE STREET CHARLEVOIX, MI 49720 - FAX (231) 547-3617 - EMAIL clerk@cityofcharlevoix.org

City of Charlevoix

Application for Volunteer Boards and Advisory Committees

Date: 11/10/16

- ☐ Planning Commission
 ☐ Historic District Commission
 ☒ Main Street Program
☐ Board of Review
 ☒ Downtown Development Authority
☐ Zoning Board of Appeals
 ☐ Shade Tree Commission
 ☐ Historic District Study
☐ Housing Commission
 ☐ Compensation Commission
 ☐ No Preference

Name: MAUREEN B. OWENSAddress: 205 PARK AVE, UNIT 4, CHARLEVOIX, MI 49720Phone: X Cell Phone: 231-622-3238 Email: MAUREEN-OWENS@HOTMAIL.COMBusiness Phone: 231-547-4602 May we call you there? YES

Describe the reasons you are interested in this position: I AM A PROponent OF CHARLEVOIX AND ITS POSITIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH. I AM OPEN Minded AND BELIEVE IN DEVELOPING IDEAS THAT ARE TRADITIONAL AND CATCHING EYES. I AM COMMITTED TO THE SUCCESS OF THE MAIN STREET PROGRAM

Describe any background, experience and interests that you have which may assist you in performing the responsibilities of this appointment:

Occupation: BRANCH PROFESSIONAL - BICKERSTETH BROWN WEALTH ADVISORSEducation: DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATIONExperience: MAIN STREET PROMOTIONS ORGANIZATION AND ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING

(Please attach a detailed resume if desired) COMMITTEE MEMBER CO-LEADER LIVE FROM CHARLEVOIX AND CHARLEVOIX GROWTH SHOWFEST

Have you served on any previous boards or in any governmental positions in the past? If yes,

please explain: NOT IN THE CITY GOVERNMENT - PRES. CHARLEVOIX SPORTS BOOSTERS, PRES CHARLEVOIX PERFORMING ARTS BOOSTERS

Are you available for night meetings? YES Daytime meetings? YES

Do you foresee any potential conflicts of interest that you might have in executing the duties of this appointed position? If yes, please explain: NO

If a conflict of interest arose for you, how would you deal with it as an appointed member of this board?

THROUGH OPEN, TRANSPARENT COMMUNICATION - I WOULD RECUSE MYSELF IF NECESSARY OR RESIGN SHOULD THE SITUATION BECOME EXTREME. THE GREATER NEEDS OF THE PROGRAM/DDA WOULD ALWAYS BE MY FIRST CONCERN

Please return this application to the City of Charlevoix Offices. It can be returned in person, by mail to 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720, by fax to 231.547.3617 or by email to mgr@cityofcharlevoix.org



CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
210 STATE ST. CHARLEVOIX, MICH. 49720

MEMO

To: The Charlevoix City Council

From: Luther Kurtz, Mayor

Date: January 12, 2017

RE: Proposed Mayoral Appointment

Pursuant to the Volunteer Board and Committee Policy, I plan to appoint, with Council's approval, Maureen Owens to the Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors for a partial term that expires in April 2017.



City of Charlevoix Recreation Master Plan

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Acknowledgements

City of Charlevoix Recreation Master Plan

2017-2021

This City of Charlevoix Recreation Master Plan was approved by City Council on DATE via Resolution ##.

The City acknowledges the following elected officials, boards, and staff for their input and hard work that helped form the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The City would also like to thank the general public for their input into this plan, and for their continued use and support of our valued parks and recreation facilities and programs

Charlevoix City Council

Gabe Campbell | Mayor

Aaron Hagen | 1st Ward

Luther Kurtz | 1st Ward

Leon Perron | 2nd Ward

Bill Supernaw | 2nd Ward

Shirley Gibson | 3rd Ward

Shane Cole | 3rd Ward/ Deputy Mayor

City Staff

Mark Heydlauff | City Manager

Tom Kirinovic | Recreation Director Advisor

Katherine Forrester | Recreation Assistant

Recreation Advisory Board

Jennifer Vollmer

Brandon Stevens

Amy Putman

Matt Peterson

Jennifer Sell

Steve Seely

Dean Davenport | Township Member

Ben Boss | Senior Student Member

Ben Peterson | Student Member

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Introduction

The City of Charlevoix has developed this Recreation Master Plan to serve as a guide to future decision making regarding recreation facilities improvements, and development of new recreation opportunities. Therefore, this document is the basis for policy implementation of improvements and new initiatives that will meet the recreational goals and interests for the City of Charlevoix and its constituents. The Charlevoix Recreation Advisory Board has been fundamental in providing information about the community and guidance for the direction of the recreation plan throughout the planning process.

Before any Recreation Master Plan is adopted and enacted it is critical to have an understanding of the needs of the residents, the recreation opportunities that are already available, the demographic characteristics of an area, and the programs, projects, and facilities that are best suited to the community. This information is all based on public input and careful consideration of the input and suggestions from City residents, City officials, and other community stakeholders. Community input was a critical component to this plan, and all of the voices in the City have united to develop a Recreation plan with the overall goal of enhancing the quality of life for the community members and visitors of the City of Charlevoix.

The foundation for the development of the City of Charlevoix Recreation Master Plan was based on the following goals:

- Involve the community throughout the process of updating the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
- Identify and map existing City owned/operated recreation facilities.
- Build common ground among the City of Charlevoix residents and stakeholders in addressing the future recreational needs, and priorities of the City.
- Enable the City to be eligible for financial assistance based on the Recreation Plan
- Support the implementation of improvements for barrier-free access to City parks and recreational sites.

Overall, the City of Charlevoix officials intend to use this plan to guide their work on all future recreational and parks projects within the City. It is also a strategic document that articulates specific goals in consideration to parks and recreation acquisition and improvement projects. This plan is developed in accordance with the guidelines for *Community Park, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plans* published by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). A five-year, MDNR-approved Recreation Plan is necessary for the City of Charlevoix to pursue MDNR-administered grants. This Recreation Plan is written for the City of Charlevoix and covers all aspects of recreation within the community over a five-year period from 2017 through the end of 2021.



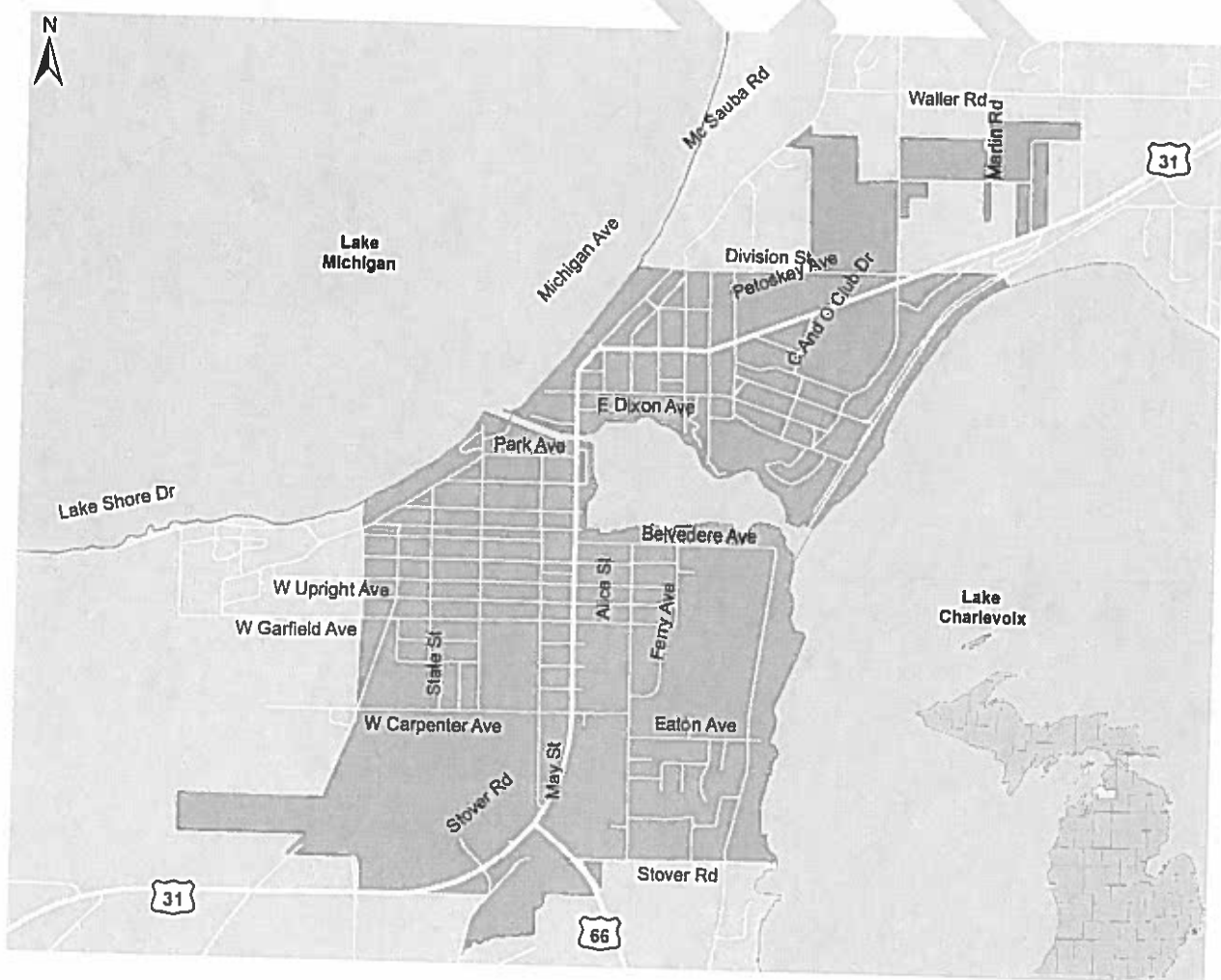
Community Description

Location

The City of Charlevoix is the County seat of Charlevoix County, and is located on the northwestern coast of Michigan's Lower Peninsula. The City is bordered both to the north and south by Charlevoix Township, to the west by the waters of Lake Michigan, and to the east by Lake Charlevoix. Round Lake and the Pine River Channel, which flow between Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix through Round Lake, bisect the City. The location of the City can be found on Map 1, below

The City of Charlevoix is not directly accessible from the interstate highway system; however, U.S. I-75 is approximately 40 miles east of the City, and provides access to the urbanized areas of southeast Michigan. U.S. 131 is easily accessible from Charlevoix and is a major link to Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, and other urbanized areas of western Michigan. U.S. 31, state highway M-66, and M-32 together provide access to Charlevoix; these state highways also offer easy access to northwest and north central Michigan.

Map 1 - Location



City Character and Land Use

The Central Business District in downtown Charlevoix is considered the economic and social focal point of the area. This district includes several parks, highlighted by East Park, which is considered by many to be the most important park facility in the City. This is due to the marina and numerous events held there. Commercial and office space, outside of the Central Business District, is primarily located adjacent to US 31, which bisects the City to the north and south. The Ance Industrial Park, on the north side of the City, is identified as a prime location for future manufacturing, technology and light industrial businesses.

The majority of the City's lands are used for residential proposes, including a mix of single family, resort single family, and multiple family dwellings in the form of condominiums and apartment buildings. Residential neighborhoods are dominant and largely built out. In the coming years, the City's development trends will most likely be concentrated in redevelopment of existing properties

The City of Charlevoix is typical of many Northern Michigan communities where there is a large resort population and significant numbers of transient tourists. Consequently, the real user population for the City's recreational lands and facilities is far greater than the City's permanent population. In addition to the seasonal users, the surrounding townships also use City lands and facilities. This fact also gives a dual purpose to the City's recreational lands and facilities. While providing for the demand for recreation spaces, they also bolster the City economically. This is particularly true of Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix public beaches, along with the municipal marina facilities.

Transportation

The City of Charlevoix includes transportation options not typically available for a City of its size. The City owns and operates a regional municipal airport, a marina, and busses operated by the Charlevoix County Transit Authority. The City's proximity to numerous navigable waterways provides opportunity for vessels of varying sizes to access Charlevoix and the surrounding area. Transportation within the City also includes exclusive services to and from Beaver Island. Charlevoix's municipal airport serves as a base for two, year round commercial flight services to the island. Downtown Charlevoix is also home to a commercial ferry service which provides multiple daily trips to Beaver Island.



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Demographics

Population

According to the Census Bureau's 2010 estimate, the City of Charlevoix had a population of 2,513, a 16.1% decrease since 2000, which could be attributed to the economic downturn and closing of several local companies. However, in 2014, the Census Bureau estimates the population in the City to be 2,540. In contrast, nearby townships experienced growth rather than decline in the same time period. This trend is potentially due to the draw of rural living and lower annual property taxes. The decrease in the City's population indicates Charlevoix has the capacity to handle a population much greater than that which exists today. While this is not an area Recreation Plan, many residents in Charlevoix Township use the City parks. Therefore, the combined population of both the City and Township is 4,158. These populations, combined with the seasonal users, create a dramatic difference in park usage.

Table 1 below, provides other significant 2014 ACS and 2010 Census data for the City, Charlevoix Township, Charlevoix County, and the State. Of these four jurisdictions, the City's percentage of population 65 and older is the largest at 23.6%. Conversely, the City has the smallest population of residents younger than 19. It is important to remember that these numbers only pertain to City residents, not the seasonal population, therefore these percentages are not representative of the population throughout the year, just of the year-long residents. It will be important to cater to both full-time residents and seasonal visitors as well, when looking to the future of recreation planning. According to estimates, the City's population experiences nearly a three-fold increase in the summer months. The ever-changing population can have a significant impact on the demand for recreational services and infrastructure.

Other important demographic characteristics to consider include residents with disabilities, median age, renter occupied housing, and seasonal housing. Of the four jurisdictions, the City has the largest population of civilian non-institutionalized individuals with a disability at 22.4%. The median age in the City is 48.1 years. Of the four jurisdictions, the City has the oldest median age, which corresponds to the large population of individuals over 65 mentioned above. Finally, housing is an important factor to consider. Of the occupied housing units in the City, 46.5% are renter occupied. Of the four jurisdictions, the City has the largest amount of renters, almost two times as many renters than the second highest rental market, the State. Another measurement to consider is the seasonal housing stock. The Census measures occupied and vacant units, and of the vacant units 82.5% are seasonal homes. Of the four jurisdictions, the City also has the largest percentage of seasonal homes, with the County having 81%. More demographic information can be found in Appendix A.

Table 1 – Select Demographics

Select Census Data for Charlevoix, Charlevoix Township, Charlevoix County, and Michigan				
	Charlevoix	Charlevoix Township	Charlevoix County	Michigan
Population- 2010 Census	2,513	1,645	25,949	9,883,640
Population- 2014 estimate	2,540	-	26,238	9,922,576
% of Population 65 & older	23.6%	22.9%	18.6%	13.8%
% of Population under 19	19.7%	23.6%	24.0%	26.8%
% of Civilian non-institutionalized population with a disability	22.4%	13.3%	15.2%	13.9%
Median Age	48.1	47.5	45.5	38.9
% with a Bachelor's Degree or higher	37.9%	34.9%	21.0%	25.7%
Median Household Income	\$32,868	\$49,000	\$46,709	\$47,175
Per Capita Income	\$29,427	\$27,328	\$27,231	\$24,997
Average Household Size	1.94	2.34	2.36	2.49
Median Housing Value	\$165,900	\$166,100	\$149,700	\$119,200
Renter-occupied housing as % of total Occupied Units	46.5%	8.1%	18.6%	27.3%
Seasonal Housing as % of total vacant housing units	82.5%	74.9%	81.0%	39.9%
Data from the 2014 ACS and the 2010 Decennial Census				

Based upon the analysis of demographic and social characteristics above, there are 5 specific population groups who have distinct needs for recreational facilities and programs. However, before each specific population is explained, it is important to consider the median household income in Charlevoix. Of the four jurisdictions, the City has the smallest median income. Individuals and families with smaller incomes have less discretionary and disposable spending money, meaning they have an even smaller percent of money to spend on recreation. Therefore, it is important that the residents have good quality public recreation options close to home, because there is a smaller chance that these individuals will be able to seek out more expensive options further from home.

The five populations to consider are as follows:

Youth – The younger population makes up just under 20% of the population in the City of Charlevoix. However, this number is not representative of the youth population in the summer. Many of the seasonal residents are families who bring their children. This would create a much more intense need of youth recreation activities in the high season. It is also important to note that these two populations have somewhat different recreation needs. While the seasonal residents need recreation amenities in the summertime, permeant youths will need year-round activities, amenities, and programs. Youth populations benefit from recreational options and organized or unorganized athletic activities, providing them with opportunities for exercise, community engagement, and education.

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Senior Citizens – The senior citizen population in Charlevoix represents almost a quarter of the population. This is only representative of the permanent residents; this group of individuals is another that will exponentially increase in the high season. Seniors have different needs in recreation facilities than other age groups, (for example, pathways vs playgrounds), and those on fixed incomes may need low-cost recreational opportunities.

Population with a disability – The population with a disability makes up 22% of the population in the City. Disabled populations are often the most unheard voice, and are also most reliant upon government to advocate for their needs. These individuals need park facilities that are accessible to their needs and the City will need to work to provide equal access recreation opportunities.

Residents in multi-family housing, apartments, and renters in general - Residents in high-density housing or multi-family housing have a greater need for open space and recreational facilities compared to those in single-family households because they often do not have large yards or open areas of their own. Almost half of the population in the City of Charlevoix rents property, therefore they will need access to high quality recreation.

Seasonal population – Of all of the vacant housing units in the City, 82.5% are categorized as seasonal housing. This means that over 80% of vacant housing in the City, are second homes. Often seasonal visitors are families and bring in 3 or more individuals to the City. Additionally, the majority of individuals have second homes in Charlevoix because of the beauty of the area and the existing recreation options. Because these people are such a strong economic driver for both the City and the region, it is important that the recreation facilities remain up to the standards they have come to expect.

Parks have the ability to create a multigenerational link between individuals in these four groups, and across all demographic groups. They provide gathering places, make exercise opportunities available, promote civic participation, and improve the quality of life in an area.



Natural Features Inventory

Environment

The City of Charlevoix Recreation Master Plan incorporates the environment as a valued resource that should be protected and enhanced by recreational opportunities and programs.

Climate

On any given day, Charlevoix is highly susceptible to quick, sudden changes in the weather. The City's proximity to Lake Michigan sets it and other coastal cities apart from inland communities. The lake keeps the area warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer, with less rainfall than locations further in-land. Like many communities with an economy based on tourism and recreation, climate can be both a boon and bust. During the summer, weather can influence the number of tourists or seasonal property owners visiting Charlevoix, and in the winter the amount and duration of snow can impact the operation of local ski hills and resorts.

Water

Charlevoix has a unique connection with its surrounding water bodies. The lakes and the channel help make up much of Charlevoix's character, and influence the City far beyond aesthetic value. Great care must be taken to ensure the quality, availability, and beauty of this valued resource is enhanced by our parks, recreational opportunities, and programs. This philosophy has already influenced the design of community investments such as the Charlevoix City Marina, which is certified as a "Clean Marina," awarded by the Michigan Sea Grant with support from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association. In addition, the redevelopment of East Park was designed to respect the qualities of Round Lake. Consequently, the impact on water quality by these two projects was carefully considered and greatly reduced.

Fishing is an important recreational activity providing an economic boost with the local fishing tournaments and launch fees from fishing boats. A parcel of land next to the US Coast Guard Station (Coast Guard Park), which has yet to be developed with a dock, was purchased by the City with the intent of creating fishing opportunities for youth. Recreational fishing opportunities are enhanced with good water quality and habitat, which is another reason to protect water resources.

Shores and Shorelines

Generally, area soils are sandy loam and present slight limitations to development. The potential instability of disturbed slopes reinforces the importance of employing soil erosion and slope stabilization techniques into the design of any waterfront recreation features. The trend of beach grooming has also played a part in altering native wildlife habitats and planting exotic vegetation has helped spread invasive plant species, including purple loosestrife and phragmites. This is less of an issue in the City with the well-established beaches on Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix.

Sand Dunes

The size and scale of the sand dunes on Lake Michigan adjacent to Mt. McSaubia span over a mile of shoreline. Given their unique qualities and community value, recreational activities must not destroy or adversely affect them. These areas are highly valued by both private property owners and the general public for recreation and scenic beauty. Although these dunes are partially located in Charlevoix Township, the City should nevertheless be concerned with their long term protection and preservation.

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Specifically, activities such as the new disc golf course and hiking at Mt. McSauba should not alter the balance of the sand dunes and associated native vegetation.

Trees and Woodlands

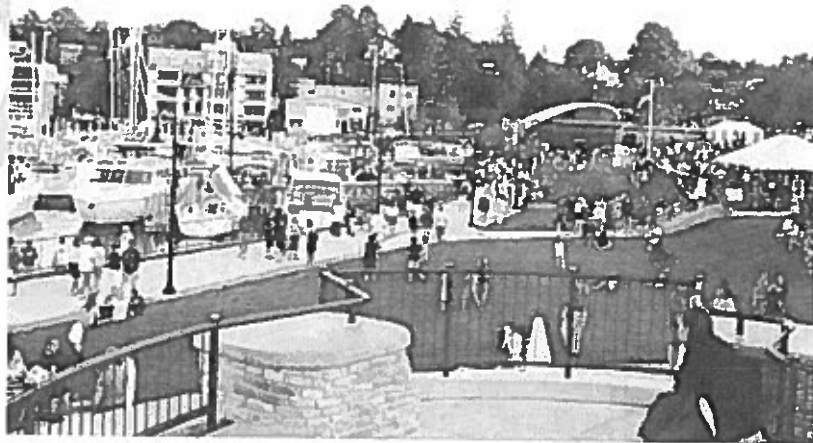
Most forests have disappeared from the City of Charlevoix during more than a century of development. The most heavily forested areas currently include Chicago Club's Old Island, the Michigan Beach Park on the north side of Park Street and the Belvedere Club's private recreation area. Mt. McSauba retains a number of areas of forest that significantly contributes to the natural quality of this park facility.

Map 2 further illustrates the wooded land located both, within the City of Charlevoix and the surrounding Township. While studying parks and recreation it is worthwhile to have an understanding of the natural areas in a community. This map highlights areas that may need to be protected or conserved, especially in a city like Charlevoix where space is at a premium because of the location. It will be important to consider these areas when guiding development in the future. There are three types of forests that are highlighted in this map:

1. Deciduous Forests are dominated by trees which shed foliage in response to seasonal change
2. Evergreen Forests are dominated by trees that maintain their leaves all year
3. Mixed Forest which are areas where neither deciduous nor evergreen green trees dominated one over the other in the landscape.

The majority of the natural areas on this map are already natural protected lands or are private clubs. But those that are not, will be important to keep in mind in the future.

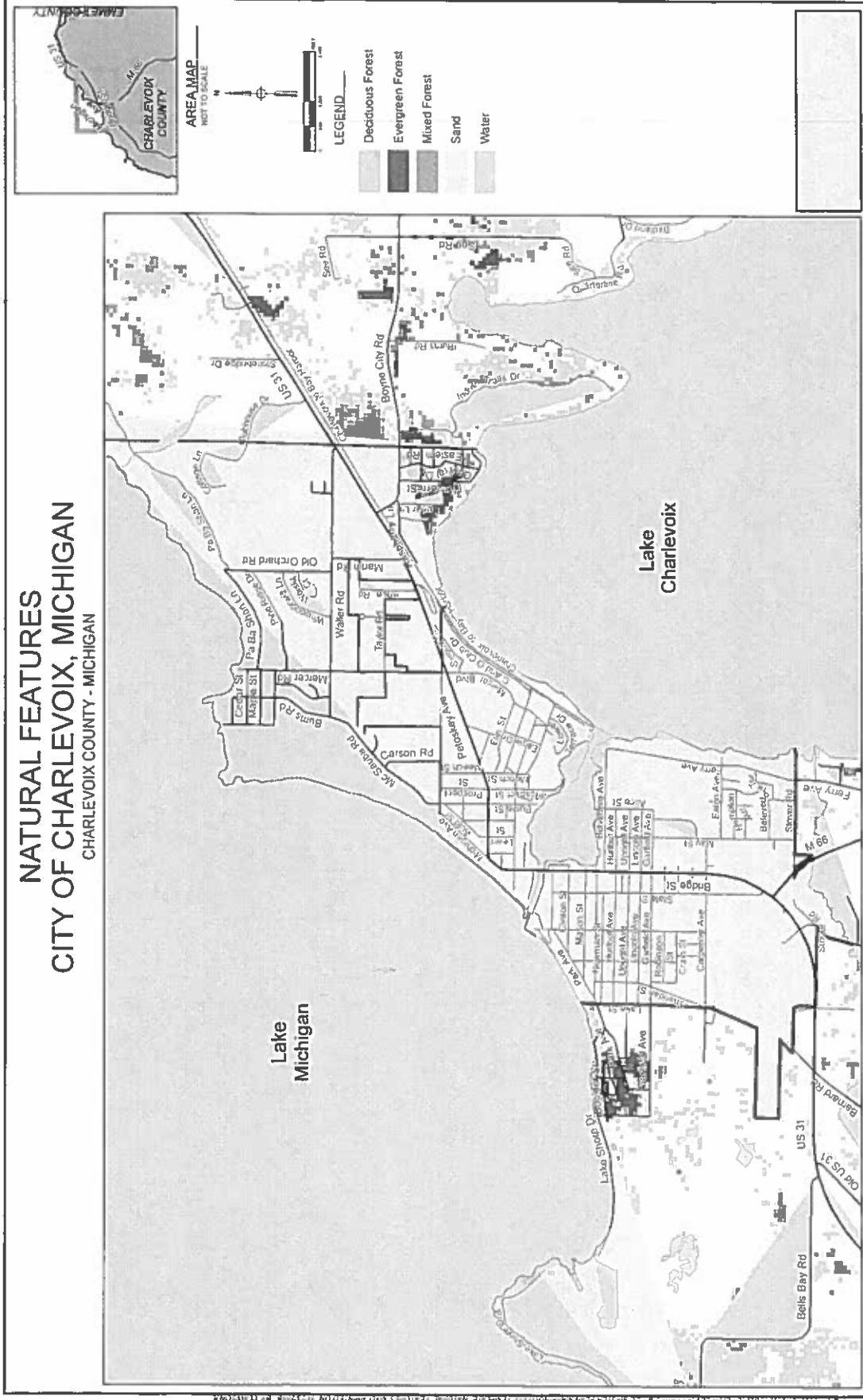
Due to the importance of urban forestry, Charlevoix has established a Shade Tree Commission, as well as an Adopt-a-Tree program, to protect and to help replace trees when they need to be taken down, or when they are lost to disease or storms. While trees are important community assets, it is also recognized that infrastructure maintenance and public safety requires trimming, pruning, and in some instances tree removal. The Shade Tree Commission has two volunteer Landscape Architects who provide professional advice on choice of species and maintenance following National Arborist Association Standards. In addition, the City has been a member of the Tree City USA program for the over 20 years. This national program provides local education, financial assistance, and many other benefits for our urban forestry program. The Shade Tree Commission should play an integral role in the proper pruning and removal of dead trees, specifically at Mt. McSauba and Michigan Beach Park.



Map 2 – Natural Features

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Administrative Structure

City Council

The City of Charlevoix is governed by a seven-member City Council, which is comprised of a mayor, and six council members elected by district. Charlevoix has a Council-Manager form of government. Each of the officials is elected to serve two-year terms. The role of the Council is to develop legislative policies which include the adoption of all planning documents and the establishment of the yearly fiscal budget. In regards to parks and recreation, the City Council approves all park planning documents, policies, and financial budgets.

City Staff and Organization

The Administration of the City's operations is the responsibility of the City Manager, a contracted employee in charge of implementing the council's legislative policies through day-to-day operations. The City has roughly 48 fulltime employees involved in its daily operations, which include all public services, parks and recreation, finance, planning and zoning, and public safety. An additional number of part-time and seasonal employees are hired throughout the year, though mainly in the summer months.

The majority of these seasonal employees work for the Recreation and Street departments, as well as the Municipal Marina and Golf Course.

The Recreation Director oversees all City recreational facilities, including operating all activities at Mt. McSauba and Camp McSauba, the Carpenter Avenue Ball fields, the Charlevoix Community Skate Park, all Volleyball and Basketball Leagues, Flag Football, and the City's three main beaches. Additionally, the Parks Department facilitates the programs at its various locations, including recreation leagues and Camp McSauba day camp.

The care and maintenance of the City's parks is assigned to the Street Department. The Department of Public Works provides year-round maintenance, such as mowing, repairs to facilities, and cleaning. In most cases, the Street Department is also responsible for overseeing the installation and maintenance of capital improvement projects. The security and safety of the parks and recreation facilities is provided by the Charlevoix City Police and Fire Departments.

The Charlevoix Golf Club and Marina are provided specific year round and seasonal staff and are overseen by a Superintendent and Harbormaster, respectively.

The diagram on the following page depicts the administrative organizational structure in the City of Charlevoix.

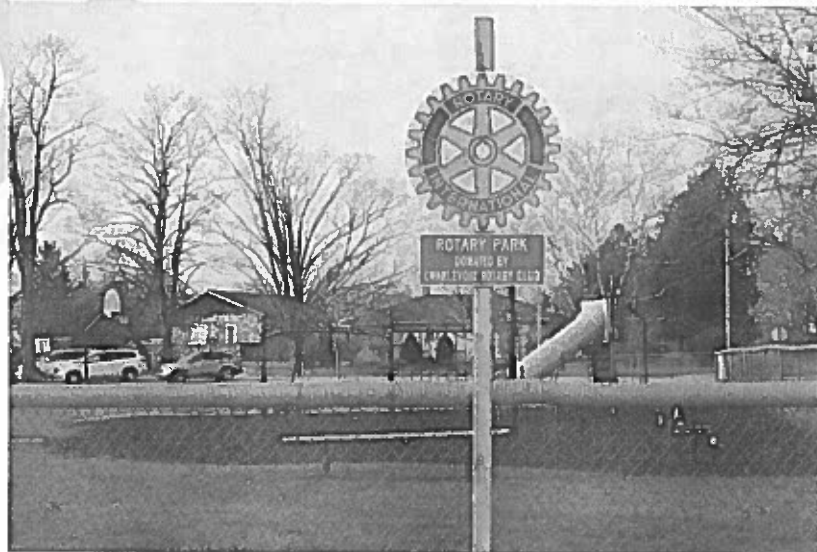
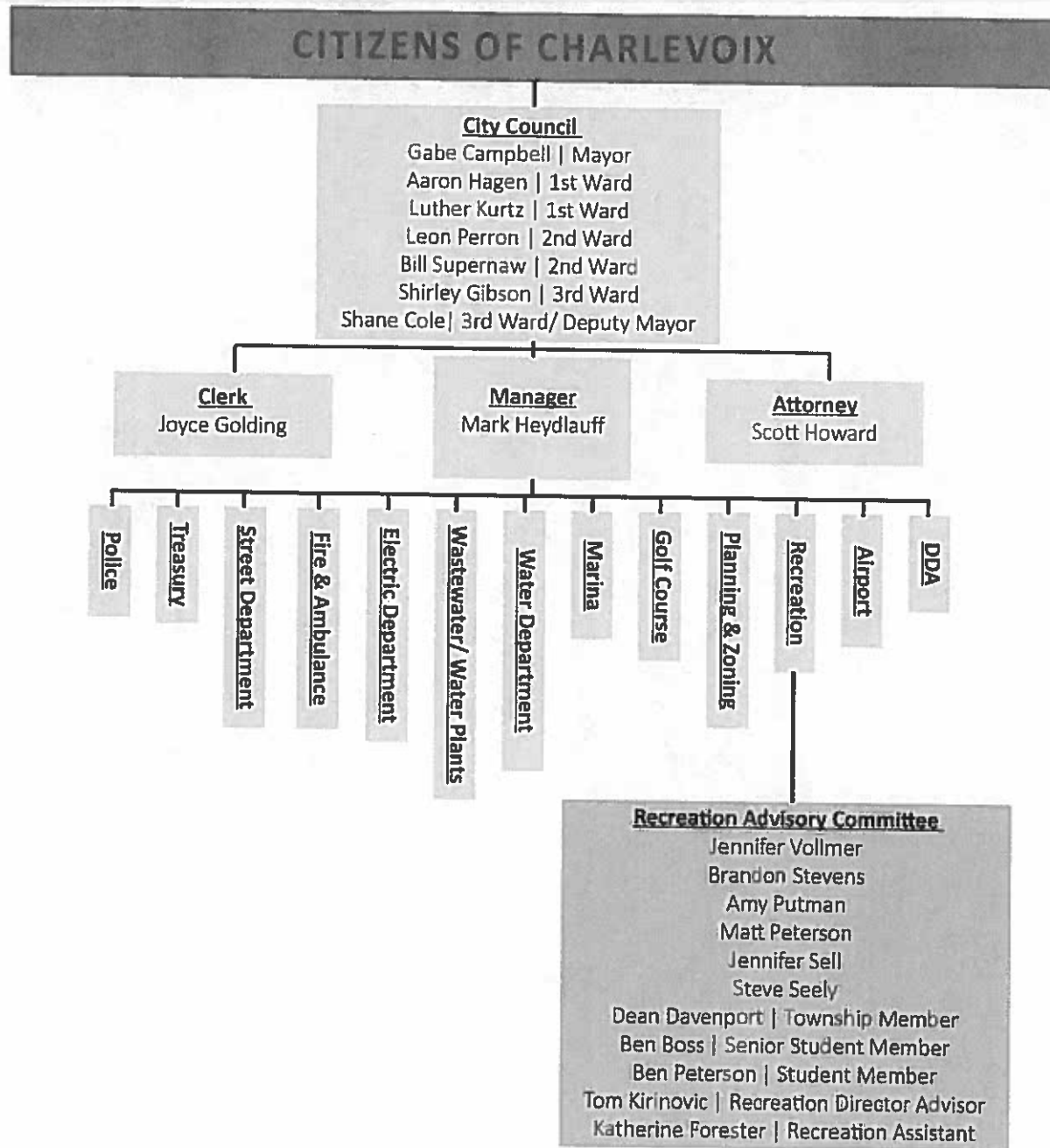


Figure 1 - Administrative Structure



Funding and Budgets

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Collaboration

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Recreation Inventory

The following section is an inventory of park amenities and facilities, it includes the City of Charlevoix and the surrounding areas. This list was updated by the Planning Consultant and verified by City staff. It includes thorough descriptions facilities, park classifications, and ADA accessibility ratings. Table 2, at the end of this section, summarizes these facilities in tabular form.

City of Charlevoix Parks and Recreation Inventory

The City of Charlevoix owns more than 125 acres of park and recreation land. This acreage is comprised of the Charlevoix Golf Club, numerous walking trails, and a wide array of parks. The City's parks include special use parks, (Carpenter Avenue Ball Fields, Elm Street Tennis courts, City Skate Park, and Mt. McSauba), parks with public beaches, (Depot Beach Park, Coast Guard Park, Ferry Beach Park, and Michigan Beach Park), and community/mini neighborhood parks, (Bridge Park, East Park, Veterans Park, Hoffmann Park, Water Tower Park, and West Dixon Park). At the end of this chapter Map 3 references all of the City parks.

Mt. McSauba Recreation Area

Acreage: 59

Park Type: Sports Complex/ Natural Resources Area

Accessibility Rating: 4

Mt. McSauba is a 59-acre multi-season park owned by the City, but located within Charlevoix Township, north of the City limits. The park is characterized by Mt. McSauba, the highest geographic point near the City. The park has extensive beach frontage on Lake Michigan, which is accessible from many points throughout the park.

The park has a two-story lodge, used during both the summer and winter. In the wintertime, Mt. McSauba is a focal point for recreational activities, including downhill skiing, cross country skiing on trails along the base of the hill, snowboarding, snowshoeing, and ice skating. Many families and youth groups from all over northern Michigan come to Mt. McSauba for winter activities due to the location, quality facilities, friendly staff, and lower prices on lift tickets, rentals, and lessons.



The City's Recreation Department operates a very successful day camp, Camp McSauba, for children during the summer months. Camp McSauba offers a variety of activities and classes for youth ages five to thirteen.

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The trail system at Mt. McSauba is extensively used for hiking, particularly in the warmer months and some biking. The park is also home to an 18-hole disc golf course.

Mt. McSauba is not only a park, but many also consider it a natural area along with the adjacent North Point Preserve in Charlevoix Township. Environmental considerations should be made with any new activity or associated construction to ensure minimal impacts to the dunes, vegetation, wildlife, and forest.

The Charlevoix Golf Club

Acreage: 62

Park Type: Special use

Accessibility Rating: 3

The City's nine-hole, par thirty-six golf course sits in the northern part of the City, divided by US-31 and Division Street. This is one of the oldest municipally owned courses in Michigan. Its prime location at the City's northern gateway, as well as its gentle, sloping terrain, full growth trees and walkability make it one of the City's prized assets.

John P. Wilson, a prominent Chicago attorney who joined the Chicago Club in 1883, and Edward C. Waller, also of Chicago, founded the Charlevoix Golf Club in 1896. The course, designed by renowned golf course architect Willie Watson, is identified as one of the earliest regulation golf courses in the United States.

The original course was designed as nine holes, located west of Mercer Boulevard. Total yardage was 2,645 yards. In 1899, a brochure was published by the Pere Marquette Railroad advertising two golf tournaments to be played in July and August. It describes the golf course as "for the most part level with sandy soil, topped with light sod, and comparatively free from difficulty for the average player." In January 1900, over 100 acres of additional land was purchased by members of the Chicago Club, and by 1903 the golf course became 18 holes. A new watering system was added in September 1908 to make it the finest and most beautiful course in this part of the country.

On April 14, 1937 the Chicago Club turned their golf course over to the City of Charlevoix for the sum of one dollar. The City has successfully maintained and operated it as a public nine-hole course ever since.

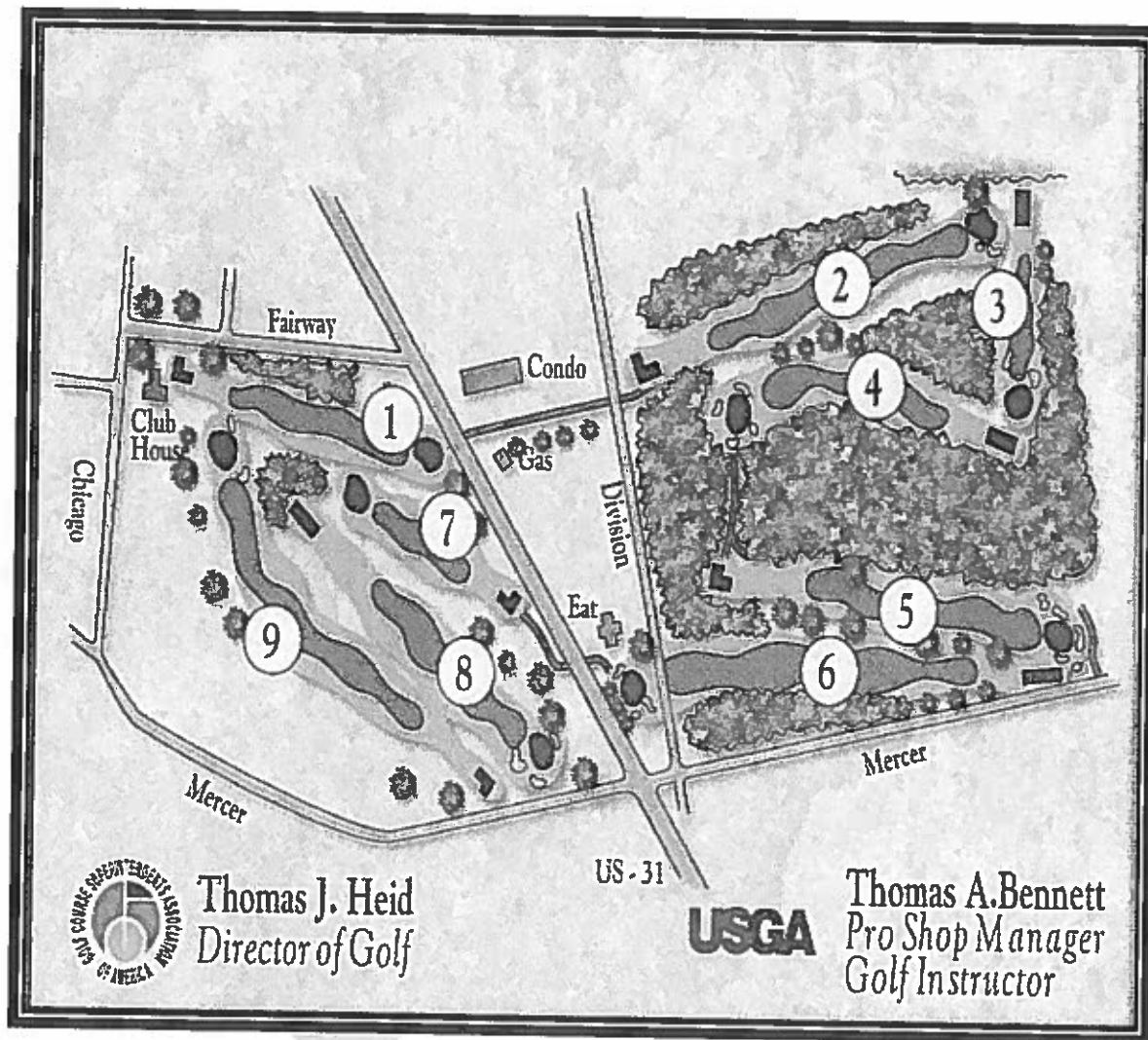
Over the years the course has played host to such legends as Walter Hagen, Tommy Armour, and Michigan Amateur champion Chuck Kocsis. In 1996, the Charlevoix Golf Club held a Charlevoix Area Centennial Tournament in celebrating its proud historic presence.



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By the end of the 20th century, the Charlevoix Golf Club completed the primary goals of the Golf Course Master Plan that was established by the Charlevoix City Council, on July 9, 1990, in renovating the Golf Course to further beautify and improve the historic course.

The Charlevoix Golf Club, like other recreation facilities, faces financial challenges. An updated website, Facebook page, and advertising have been implemented to help attract users.



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Elm Street Tennis Courts

Acreage: 0.6

Park Type: Special Use

Accessibility Rating: 4

The Elm Street Tennis Courts are four fenced-in, hard-surface courts located in the north-central portion of the City, adjacent to the Charlevoix Golf Club. The courts also have a double-sided practice wall and a small, fenced-in play area for younger children. These courts have also been used for pickle ball, which is increasing in popularity.

West Dixon Park

Acreage: 0.1

Park Type: Pocket Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

Developed from the Dixon Avenue right-of-way that ends in Lake Michigan, this small neighborhood park includes seating areas and a stairway leading to the Lake Michigan shoreline below.

Michigan Beach Park

Acreage: 17

Park Type: Community Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

Michigan Beach Park is the City's original park property, acquired by the City from Amos and Ella Fox in 1882 for a consideration of \$840. The City acquired the land for



the purpose of building a lifesaving station, which later became a Coast Guard station. Several small houses that were built along Palmer Street to support the station were sold to their occupants in the 1950s. The City also constructed a water collection system on the site. The old Coast Guard building is now the location of the MDNR Fisheries Division operations. Later, the City constructed a water processing plant on the southwest portion of the property, along the Lake Michigan shoreline.

Michigan Beach Park has approximately two thousand feet of beach frontage on Lake Michigan, from the Pine River Channel to the west City limits. The park has a wide, sandy beach seasonally staffed by lifeguards, walking paths, playground equipment, a volleyball net, basketball courts, picnic tables, and a covered pavilion. The park has restrooms, and a seasonal concession stand operated by a private vendor.

The southwest portion of the property is comprised of large forested areas. The forested areas contain a number of walking trails, benches, trash and Mutt Mitts receptacles, and stairways leading down to the beach. The forested areas are accessible from the beach below, parking area, or from numerous

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parking areas on Park Avenue, which bounds the forest to the east. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has identified Michigan Beach Park as one of the most important recreation areas in the City, due to the location, access to water, picturesque sunsets, and amenities

Water Tower Park

Acreage: 0.45

Park Type: Neighborhood Park

Accessibility Rating: 1

Water Tower Park is a hilltop park located one block to the west of Hoffman Park. The park, the former location of the City's water tower, overlooks the Pine River Channel. It is accessible from both the Pine River Channel walkway and Park Avenue via a stairway. The main hilltop portion of the park is marked by a large cement patio, inlaid with a compass rose. Four cement blocks around the patio mark the former locations of the water tower's struts. Benches are located at the top of the park, as well as down the park's northern face. Because of this park's slope, it is only accessible by stairs.

Hoffman Park

Acreage: 0.33

Park Type: Neighborhood Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

Hoffmann Park is a small observation area located between the Pine River Channel and Park Avenue, just west of Bridge Street. The park is characterized by a circular brick and concrete patio that overlooks the Pine River Channel. The park is accessible from Park Avenue via a sidewalk, and from the Pine River Channel walkway via a wide stairway.

Robert Bridge Memorial Park

Acreage: 0.5

Park Type: Community Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

Robert Bridge Memorial Park is a passive green space on the western shore of Round Lake, just south of the historic drawbridge. At one point in time, the park sloped from Bridge Street to Round Lake. However, the park was drastically changed in the late 1990s when the offices of the Beaver Island Boat Company and United States Coast Guard were constructed below the park, leveling the topography.

The office construction and grade modification within the park changed the area from a grassy, sloping surface, to a flat grass, concrete, and brick surface.

The surface was altered to maintain the grade of Bridge Street over the top of the offices below. The northern portion of the park, however, maintains its original character, sloping gently from Bridge Street to the walkway along the Pine River Channel. Partly due to the view corridor to Round Lake that it offers, the park is commonly used for events. The park contains a large anchor and plaques commemorating Coast Guard operations. Other than benches and picnic tables (some with umbrellas, some without), there are no developed facilities on this half-acre site.

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East Park

Acreage: 4

Park Type: Large Urban Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

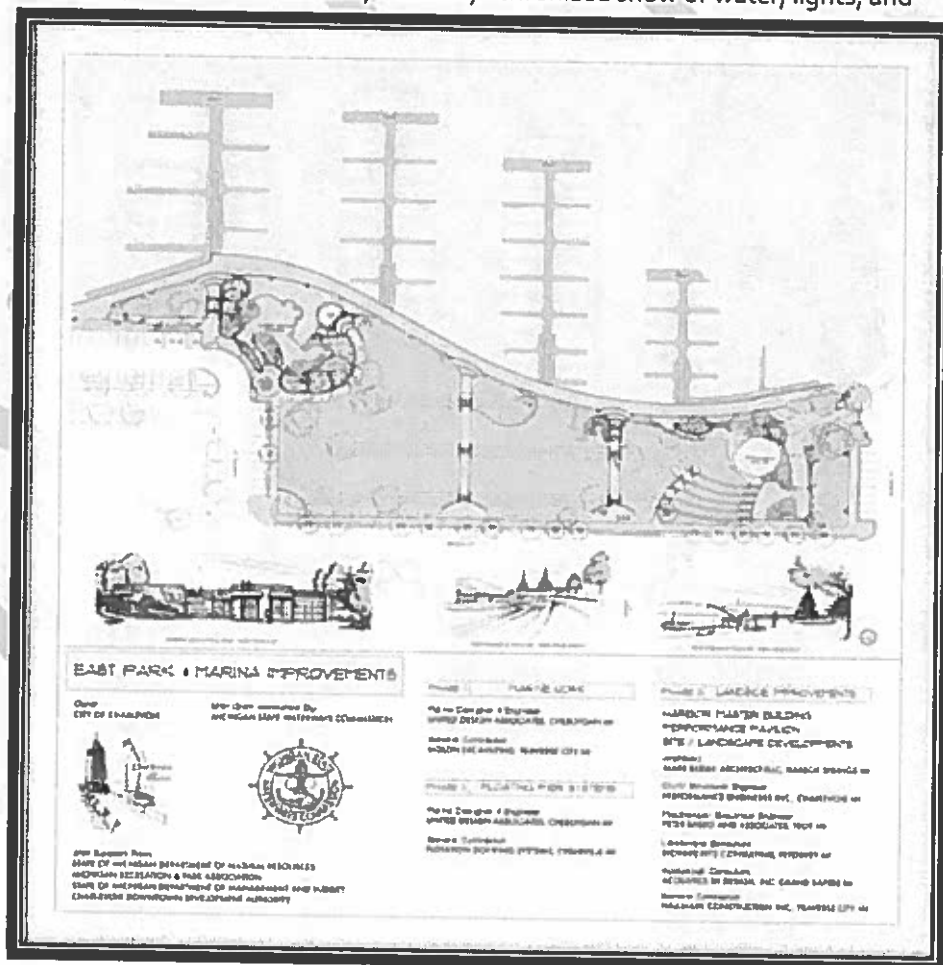
Charlevoix's award winning East Park is considered by many to be the recreational and cultural focal point of the City. The park is bounded on the west by Bridge Street (US -31), on the east by the waters of Round Lake, on the north by Clinton Street, and on the south by Antrim Street. The park stretches continuously for two city blocks, and the majority of the storefronts in the central business district look directly over the park toward Round Lake.

Fountain of Youth

Located in East Park adjacent to the Harbormaster's Office, this splash pad operates daily throughout the summer in both 'display' mode, and 'interactive' mode. While in interactive mode, children can play in and around it, affecting the flow of water by stepping on various parts of the fountain's surface. While in display mode, the fountain operates automatically with a synchronized show of water, lights, and music.

Trout Stream

Located adjacent to the Fountain of Youth, the trout stream is a multi-leveled replica of what might be a trout's natural ecosystem. It is complete with seating and viewing areas.



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Veterans Park

Acreage: 0.2

Park Type: Neighborhood Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

This small park is located south of East Park, between Antrim Street, Bridge Street, and Belvedere Avenue. Eleven maple trees, each representing a Charlevoix citizen killed in World War I, characterize the park, and surround a memorial plaque in the park's center. The park's facilities are limited to sidewalks and seating areas.

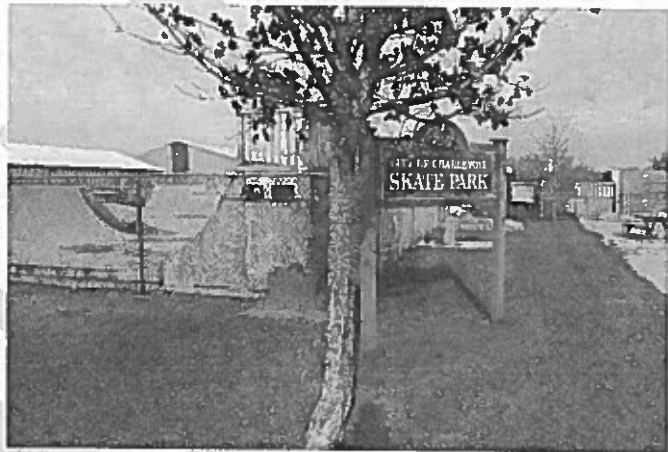
Community Skate Park

Acreage: 0.3

Park Type: Special Use

Accessibility Rating: 4

Located on West Carpenter Avenue, adjacent to the Charlevoix Electric Department, the Skate Park is a custom-built wood skate park. A number of community members provided financial support and assistance in constructing the skate park. The park charges a low user fee, and has facilities for skateboarding, rollerblading, scooters and biking. Safety equipment is required, and is available for rental if needed.



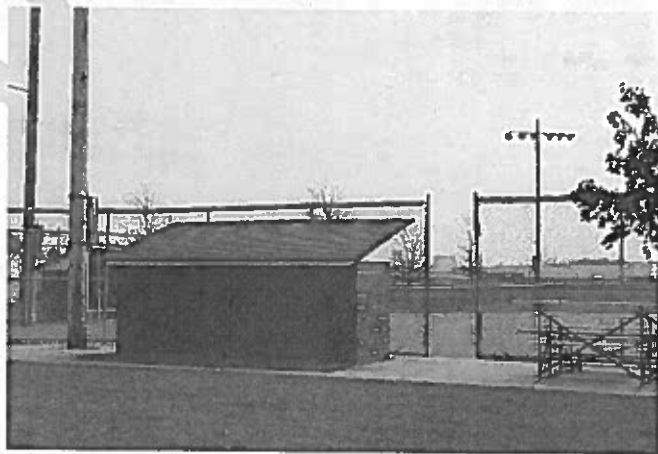
Carpenter Ball Fields

Acreage: 3

Park Type: Special Use

Accessibility Rating: 4

The Carpenter Avenue Ball Fields are located off West Carpenter in the southwestern portion of the City. They are used extensively during the summer months in the community's recreation program. These parks are used for league play during the summer, and by the City's t-ball, little league, and softball programs. The facility underwent a substantial renovation in 1996, during which parking areas and surrounding landscaping were improved, and new fencing, night lighting, restroom facilities, and access walkways were added. In 2008, the park's little league field was renovated. Adjacent to the ball fields, the Rotary Club financed the installation of playground equipment and a basketball court, adding additional activities to this park.



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Ferry Beach Park

Acreage: 5

Park Type: Community Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

Ferry Beach Park is located in the southeastern part of the City on the shore of Lake Charlevoix. It is one of the City's most frequently used parks and facilities in the summer months due to the location and numerous amenities.

The beach has two separate swimming areas seasonally staffed by lifeguards. The beach areas are split by a pier that, at times of higher water levels, was once used by swimmers as a platform for jumping into the water; however, during times of low water, use of the pier is prohibited. There are two separate sets of playground equipment, one on the southern beach, and another on the grassy area behind the northern beach. The park is also equipped with a volleyball court, basketball courts, picnic tables, three covered pavilions, and horseshoe pits. The park has restrooms, a seasonal concession stand operated by a private vendor, and substantial parking.



The Ferry Avenue boat launch, which has four ramps and parking for vehicles and trailers, is located on the park's southern end. The municipal boat launch is heavily used by Charlevoix residents and visitors, and is one of the most used municipal boat launches in the region. The boat launch allows immediate access to Lake Charlevoix, as well as, easy access to Round Lake and Lake Michigan. The boat launch is frequented by fishermen, pleasure cruisers, and sightseers alike. Fishermen can utilize the free fish cleaning station on the west end of the parking lot, which is a valued amenity not common with other boat launches. The City charges a day use fee as well as seasonal passes for parking. Fees are regulated by the City of Charlevoix, and a seasonal employee is staffed at the launch for fee collection in the summer months.

Coast Guard Park

Acreage: 0.43

Park Type: Community Park (Undeveloped)

Accessibility Rating: Not Applicable

Coast Guard Park is an undeveloped park located just south of Depot Beach Park, adjacent to the US Coast Guard Station. The park is located on the former C&O Railroad right of way, which was purchased in 1999 with a grant from the State of Michigan.

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Depot Beach Park

Acreage: 4

Park Type: Community Park

Accessibility Rating: 4

Depot Beach Park, acquired by the City in the late-1940s, is located along the northwestern City limits, on the shore of Lake Charlevoix. The park is adjacent to the former C&O Railroad Depot, a historical building owned by the Charlevoix Historical Society. The beach itself is long and narrow, with considerable green space east of the shoreline. The park is equipped with a handicap accessible covered pavilion, picnic tables, playground equipment, grills, volleyball net, and bathroom facilities. The beaches swimming area is staffed by lifeguards during the summer season.

Other:

Northern Beach Access to Lake Michigan

Beach access to Lake Michigan in the north-central part of the City is provided by two narrow walkways located along Michigan Avenue. These walkways are accessible from the City sidewalk, and are denoted by signs reading "Public Walk." Parking for the beach access is located along both sides of Michigan Avenue, as well as, a small parking area at the northwest end of the avenue.

North and South Piers/Lighthouses

Owned by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and located at the confluence of Lake Michigan and the Pine River, the north and south piers are a popular spot for viewing marine traffic and sunsets, as well as for fishing.

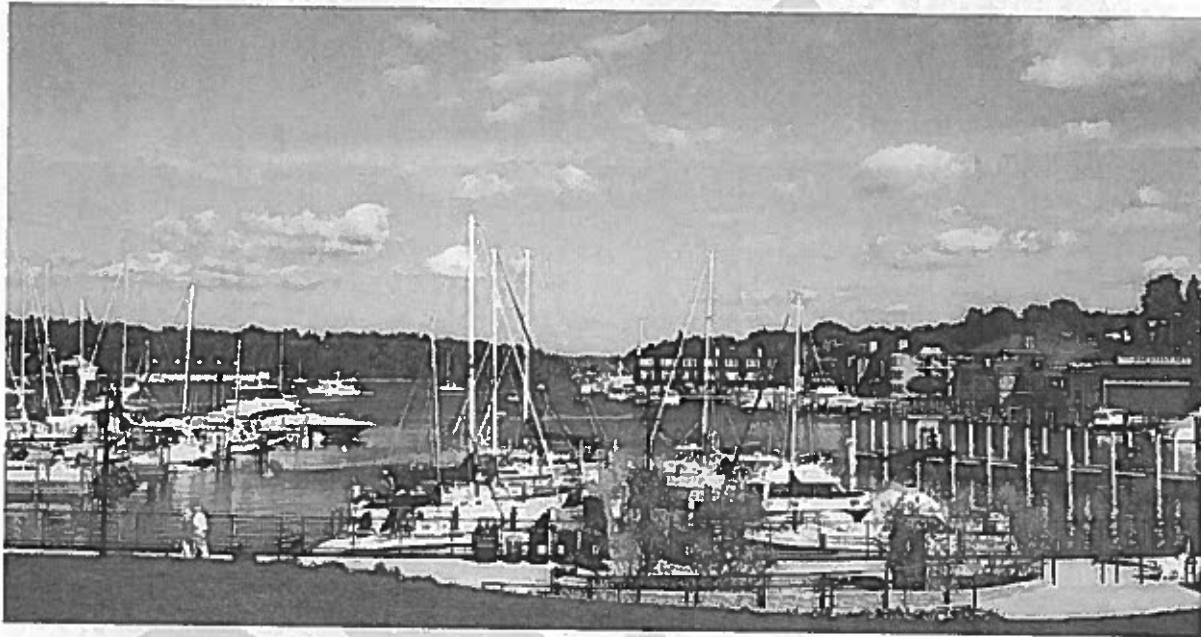
The fully operational lighthouse, owned by the City of Charlevoix, stands at the edge of the pier, overlooking Lake Michigan. It was renovated in 2009, during which it was repainted from white to its original red. The Charlevoix Historical Society also performs general maintenance as needed on the lighthouse.

Marina



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The 67 slip marina, located downtown Charlevoix adjacent to East park, is a City owned facility. The marina amenities include floating docks, a boaters' lounge, restrooms, electricity, dog run, grills and picnic areas, car rental, and laundry facilities. Other services include diesel and gasoline, pump-outs, marine repairs, and marine supplies located adjacent to the marina. There are eight seasonal slips, 60 transient slips, 2 commercial slips. Dinghy and jet ski dockage are also available. As the natural environment and water quality are two very important issues in Charlevoix, this marina was designed to be a Clean Marina. This means, marinas pledge to main and improve Michigan waterways by reducing or eliminating releases of harmful substances and phasing out practices that can damage aquatic environments. The marina was awarded Michigan Sea Grant money to help fund the expansion.



Charlevoix Public School Facilities

The Charlevoix city limits are entirely within the jurisdiction of the Charlevoix Public School District. The School District boundaries also extend into several surrounding townships. Playground equipment and sports facilities are located at the various schools, with the outdoor facilities open to the public. Existing facilities include the following:

Charlevoix Middle School

The Charlevoix Middle School is located in the south-central section of the City on twenty-three acres of land. Its facilities include a playground, a quarter mile track, and football field. Indoor facilities include a combined basketball court/gymnasium, as well as a full weight room.

Other School Facilities

The Charlevoix Public Schools have additional facilities outside of, but in close proximity to the City. Charlevoix Elementary School is located in Charlevoix Township on the northern boundary of the City. The High School is located two miles south of the City in Marion Township. The Charlevoix Elementary School has an indoor gymnasium, as well as extensive outdoor playground equipment, along with several informal soccer, football, and baseball fields. The high school's facilities include an indoor gymnasium, running track, and weight room. The school's outdoor facilities are comprised of baseball

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and softball fields with fences and dugouts, a soccer field, informal practice fields, and a five-kilometer cross-country course.

Charlevoix Township Recreational Facilities

Because of the close proximity to the City, it is reasonable to assume Charlevoix residents are users of the Charlevoix Township recreation opportunities. These include:

Shanahan Field

Shanahan Field is a ten-acre parcel located north of the city limits. The park has several sports fields and parks, including, soccer, baseball, and softball. The park also features a set of fenced-in hard-surface tennis courts, a pair of half-pipes for skateboarding, a BMX track, playground equipment, a covered pavilion, a special-use concession stand, and restrooms.

North Point Environmental Center

The North Point Environmental Area is located adjacent to the City-owned Mt. McSaubia property. The property was acquired by a joint effort between local interested citizens, the Little Traverse Conservancy, and Charlevoix Township. Acting jointly, these groups obtained a grant from the State of Michigan and raised sufficient matching funds to acquire the property. The property has significant Lake Michigan shoreline frontage, and provides for swimming, as well as hiking and cross-country skiing over miles of diverse trails.



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Selected Charlevoix County Recreational Facilities

Charlevoix County has numerous recreation opportunities, instead of going into detail about each facility the following is a list of parks that City residents are likely to visit.

- Whiting Park
- Little Traverse Wheelway
- Lake to Lake Trail

State Parks and Facilities

In addition to the local parks in the region, there are also several State supports recreation opportunities. The State of Michigan owns several thousand acres of land that provides recreational resources within the regional area. These parks are funded by either the MDNR or the MDOT. These parks and lands include, but are not limited to the following:

- Fisherman's Island State Park
- Young State Park
- Us - 31 Roadside Parks and Boat Launch

Private Recreation

Little Traverse Land Conservancy

The Little Traverse Land Conservancy owns multiple parcels around the City of Charlevoix. Most of the acreage has significant natural wetland areas that drain into Lake Michigan, and much of the land has substantial, protected vegetative and animal habitat. The public is afforded access to walking trails throughout these areas.

Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club

The Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club is located at 13064 US-31, approximately 3 miles north of the City of Charlevoix in Hayes Township. This semi-private club has skeet and trap fields, an outdoor rifle, pistol, and archery range, a 3-D archery course, and a small fishing pond. The public is invited to use the club's facilities based on a schedule of fees.



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Previously Awarded Grants

Over the past 40 years the City of Charlevoix has received a total of 12 grants from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Appendix B has a copy of the past grant history list, which was provided by the DNR. The list includes grants from 1973 to December of 2016. All of the projects are considered closed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

The City has also received numerous other grants from other sources such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Michigan Sea Grant Program, and the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. Each of these projects has been a vital addition to the City's park and recreation system and are enjoyed daily by residents and tourists alike. The City and surrounding area residents and visitors are forever grateful for these grants that have been so vital for parks and recreation improvements.



Accessibility

Creating a park system that is safe, accessible and usable to all individuals, including those with disabilities, is essential. A grading system has been developed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to easily identify those parks and facilities which are most and least handicap accessible and usable, based on the ADA guidelines. The accessibility grading system uses a five-point system ranging from one (none of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines), to five (the entire park was developed/renovated using the principals of universal design). Some of the factors the rating system pertains to routes of travel, ramps and stairs, parking and drop off areas, entrances, doorways, vertical relationships, signage, and restrooms. This information was updated by City staff.

Each park/facility description in this section includes an ADAAG rating based on the MDNR system given below:

Table 3 – MDNR Accessibility Rating

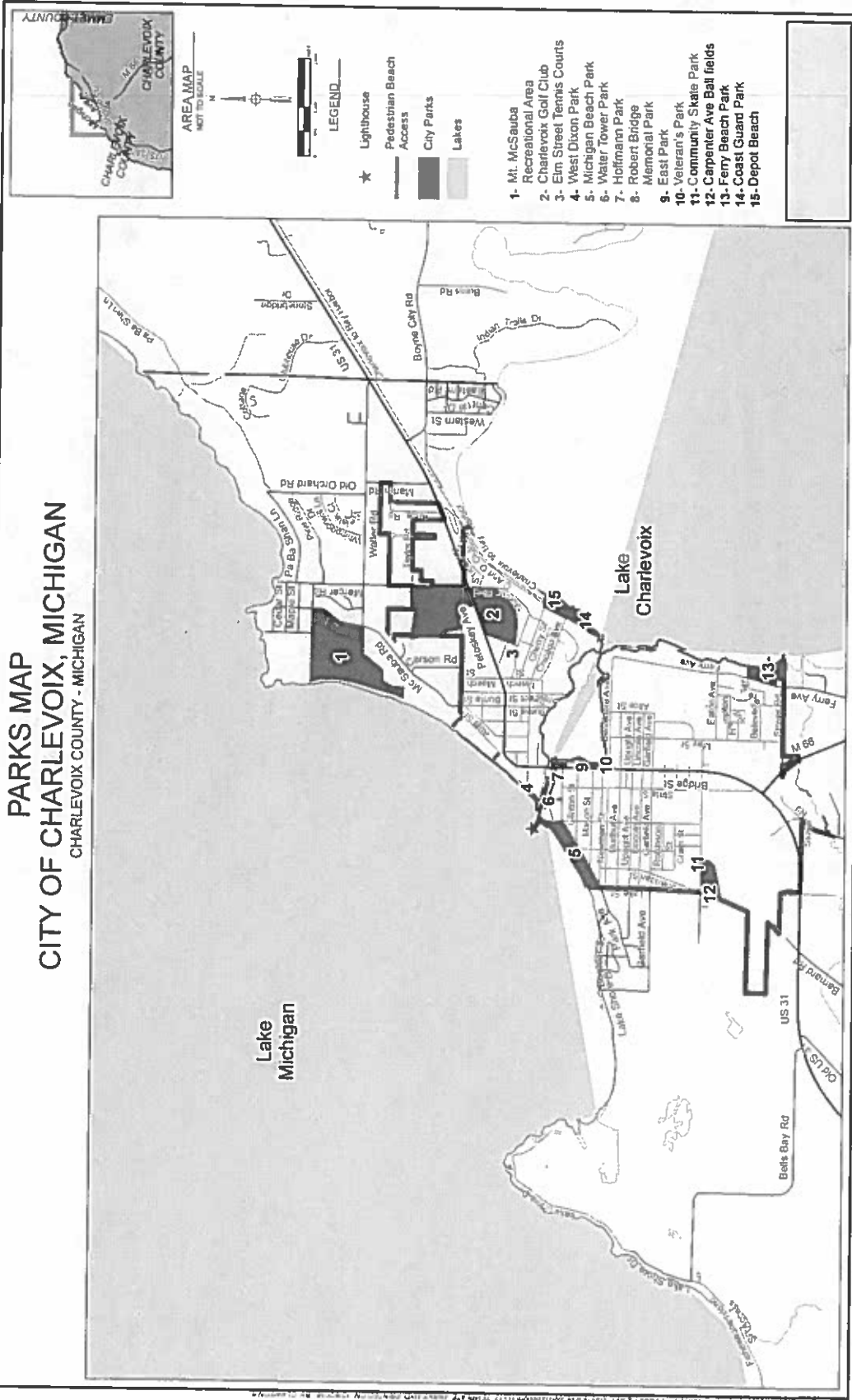
Rating	Description
1	None of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
2	Some of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
3	Most of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
4	The entire park meets accessibility guidelines
5	The entire park was developed / renovated using the principals of Universal Design.

As noted in the inventory, not all sites meet the standards of accessibility. The City of Charlevoix is dedicated to continuing its efforts towards improving accessibility at each of its parks when improvements are made. This includes accessible parking, paths, restrooms, activity areas, amenities and signage. In addition to improving accessibility, the City recognizes the necessity of Universal Design and will implement those design principles whenever possible.



Map 3 - City of Charlevoix Park Map

PARKS MAP **CITY OF CHARLEVOIX, MICHIGAN** CHARLEVOIX COUNTY - MICHIGAN



Trails and Non-Motorized Transportation

Communities across the United States have been placing an emphasis on creating regional trail systems. Trails are used in both cities and rural areas to provide a higher quality of life for residents. In fact, of all the states across the country, Michigan has the largest rail-trail system. Even more impressive, is that these trails more often than not, cover long distances, which is uncommon in other states. Trails give residents the opportunity to be more active and healthy, more safe while walking or biking on the roads, opportunities to experience their community, and give all residents the option of increased mobility in different modes of travel.

In the past, the roads in this Country have been designed with only automobile traffic in mind, however cities are now working toward creating a network of trails and roads that are accessible to several forms of traffic. Within City limits, this often means sharing the existing road right-of-way with bikes or public transit, and pedestrian pathways on adjacent sides, often implemented through complete streets initiatives. Aside from the traditional sidewalks, many cities also incorporate regional trails through their city limits, often these trails have a designated non-motorized use and connect regional centers.

In Charlevoix, there are many opportunities for trails and complete streets, and they are not limited within the city limits, but through partnerships can connect the City to the larger region. Within the City, there are route options available to connect to the regional trails that are just outside the City boundaries. The City of Charlevoix is the missing puzzle piece to connect this regional area network. Which means making these connections especially important because of all the recent activity with trails in the surrounding region. Such as, plans for the proposed Lake-to Lake Trail and Elk Rapids Traverse City Trail, and the recently funded Boyne City Charlevoix Trail. Now is an opportune time to work on trails, because they are favored in the recent online survey.

Why trails are important

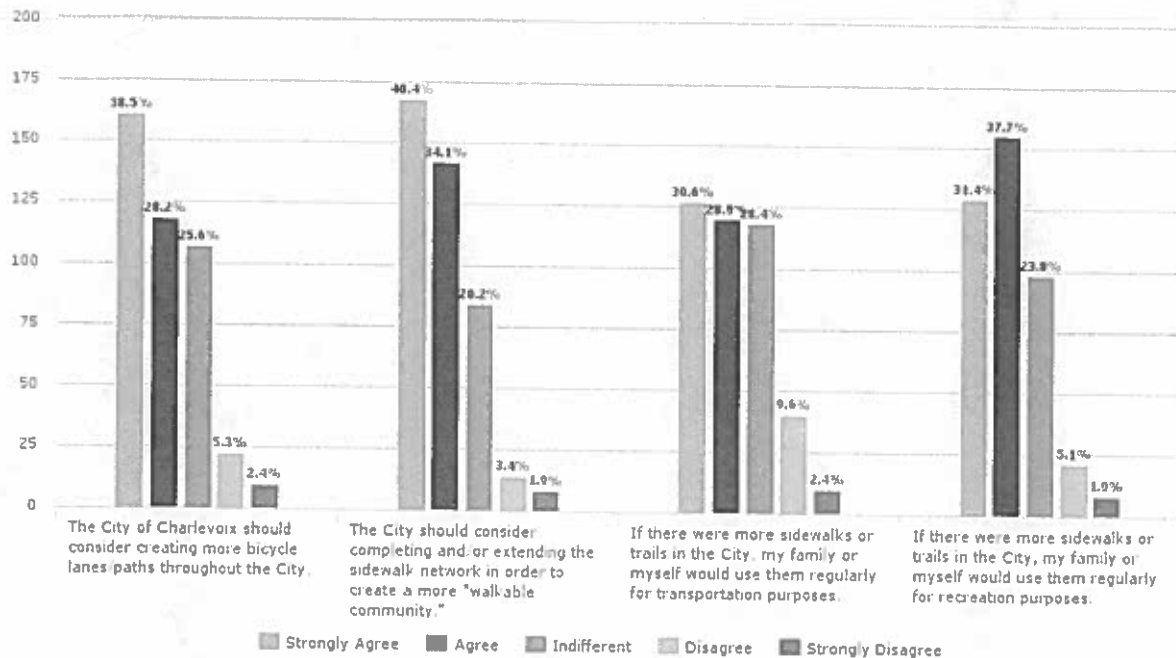
While trails can be a challenge to implement, their positive effects on a community cannot be disputed. It has been proven that trails create a pride of place and sense of ownership in Michigan residents. Trails are also an important driver in the local and regional economy, increase property values, and provide safe and healthy recreation options.

The growing trail trend in Michigan is also reflected in Charlevoix's residents' opinions. On the whole, they feel trails would be an asset to their community. Public input was very important to the update of this recreation plan, and in order to gain the opinions of many residents, the City released an online public input survey. This survey pertained to all aspects of parks and recreation in Charlevoix, but there were several questions which were specific to non-motorized transportation and trails. Overall, the results were very favorable to extending the sidewalks and trails throughout Charlevoix to create a more walkable community.

The chart on the following page, Figure 2, emphasizes the importance of trails to the survey respondents. When asked if the City should create more bicycle lanes/paths, 67% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed. Then when asked if the City should extend the sidewalk network, 75% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed with this statement. Additionally, when asked if respondents would use these expanded systems for recreation purposes 69% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed they would use the new paths.

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Figure 2 - Respondents were asked to provide their opinions on the following statements.



Survey respondents were also asked why they visit parks and recreation facilities, and what amenities they would most like to see added to the recreation system in the future. In both cases, walking and more walking and biking pathways were the top result, with 69% of respondents participating in walking for recreational activities, and 46% desiring more pathways.

Now is an advantageous time for the City to work with the neighboring jurisdictions and other non-governmental agencies to support a strong and well-connected trail system in the City of Charlevoix. There are many existing and proposed regional trails converging on the City, and when these trails reach the City boundary there is no infrastructure for the users to continue on. These people could bring in so much to the local economy, but because the infrastructure stops they never enter the City for regional recreation, and thus do not support the community. If the city were to connect with these existing systems and expand their infrastructure, they would be creating a long-term valuable investment in the community and the opportunity to connect to their region, promoting economic vitality in the City, encouraging a healthier lifestyle in their residents, and creating an environment that is safer for travel.

Regional Happenings

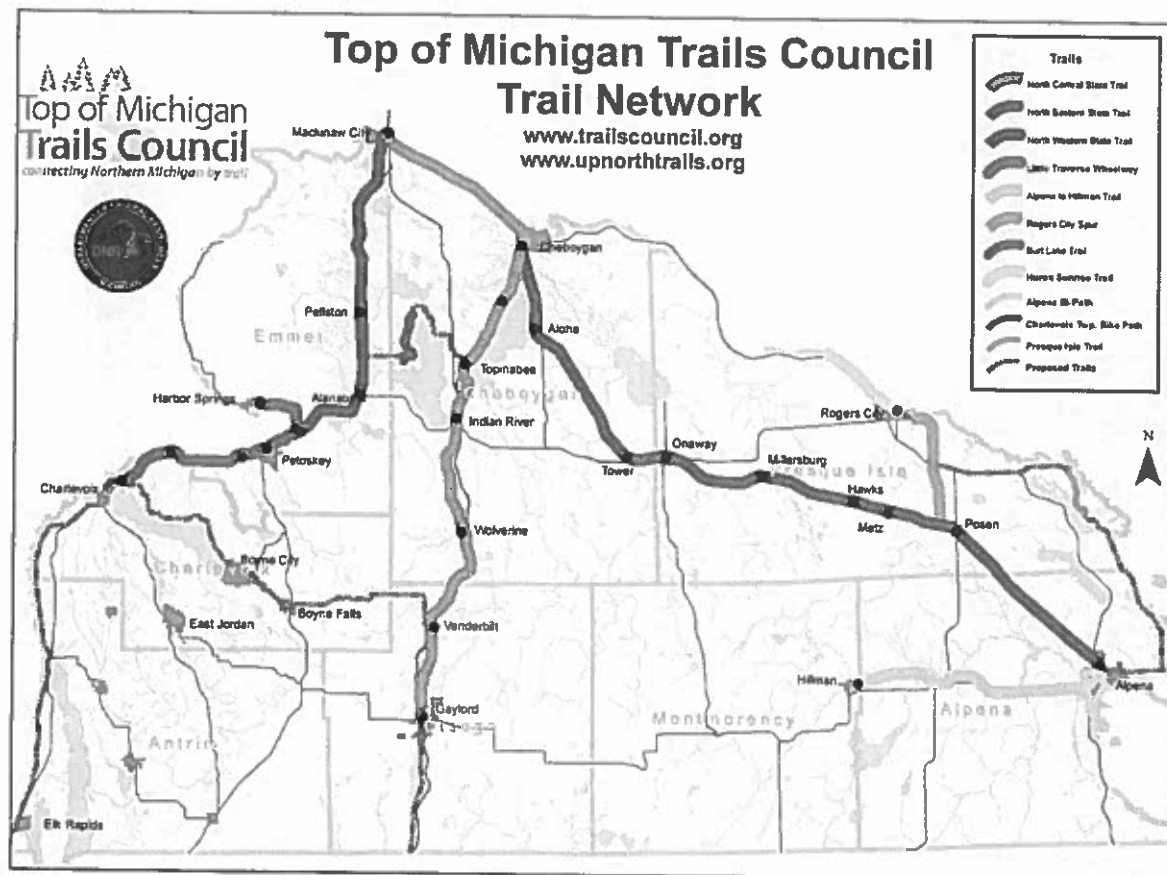
The trend and importance of trails seen across the State, is also reflected in the region surrounding the City of Charlevoix. The surrounding jurisdictions all have existing or proposed trails in place. There are also many public and private agencies in the region with a specific focus on developing trails, and the local residents support this trend.

Map 4 is only one of the many maps which highlight all the trails in the Charlevoix area. Created by the Top of Michigan Trails Council, this map highlights the major trails which traverse the northern quarter of the lower peninsula. Map 5 is more specific to the trails in the Charlevoix area. As visible in both of

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these maps, trails are important to the quality of life in northern Michigan, and there are plenty of opportunities for the City of Charlevoix to take advantage of these assets. Currently, there are three existing or proposed trails, which all stop just outside the City limits. These are three prime options to connect the City of Charlevoix to the Northern Michigan regional trail system.

Map 4 - Top of Michigan Trails Map



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Creating a trail and sidewalk system is never a quick or easy process, however the benefits this infrastructure brings to the community are extremely valuable. Charlevoix is no stranger to the challenges of creating an interconnected transportation system, and the City faces many of the same problems of other communities. However, many of the challenges which face Charlevoix specifically are also of a physical nature because of the existing natural features. The City is no stranger to these constraints which include topography, water features, and major transportation routes bisecting the downtown, however in spite of all these challenges, the City believes the benefits of having a complete and connected transportation system will outweigh the bridges they must cross to complete them.

In the 2011 Recreation Master Plan, the City outlined several paths for bike routes in the City, and emphasized the importance of non-motorized transportation. This update continues to stress the importance of those transportation options.

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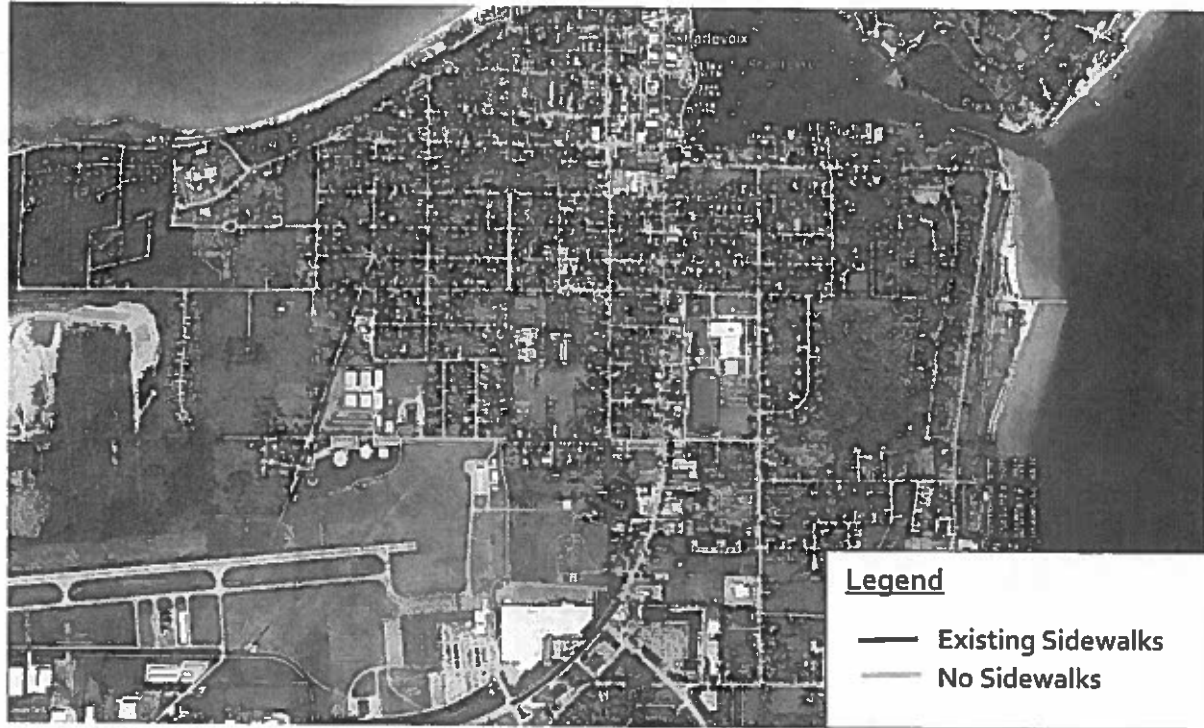
Currently, in the City there is a network of sidewalks and some bike paths. Additionally, there are two public walkways along Michigan Ave for beach access. The City of Charlevoix has the potential for a connected complete street system within the City limits. This includes allowances for biking in the right-of-way, and additional sidewalk infrastructure along the roadways.

This could also include creating connections to the existing and proposed regional trails on the north and south sides of the City. The City has the opportunity to connect to the Little Traverse Wheelway and the Boyne City to Charlevoix Trail on the northern edge of town via the Charlevoix Township bike path, and the proposed Lake to Lake Trail on the southern edge of town along US-31, which would eventually lead to a connection to the proposed Elk Rapids to Traverse City Trail.

The City should consider what upgrades it can make within its jurisdiction to have a more walkable community. The Michigan Planning Enabling Act supports complete streets, now the City needs to decide where additional biking and walking infrastructure would most benefit their residents. Referencing the previously mentioned survey results, it was clear more respondents agreed they would like more biking and trail infrastructure, however when asked if they would use the paths for everyday transportation or recreational use more respondents indicated they were interested in recreation use. This could be a good starting point for the City, to decide which projects need priority over others, such as trails connecting to downtown to residential neighborhoods and paths which connect the various parks throughout the City to other recreation areas.

As the City moves forward in participating in the regional trails system, the next steps will be to pick a route for the connector which will most benefit the community. It will be important to consider the existing and planned paths for the regional trails, as well as working around the more restrictive physical constraints within the City, including the high traffic volumes on US-31, and the bridge downtown which is the only way to cross the channel. At this point, one option being discussed is the proposed Grant Street sidewalk connection, which would run south along Grant until Carpenter Ave, then east until State Street, south on State until it met up with US-31. There are currently sidewalks along the northern and southern sections of Grant Street, along Carpenter Ave, and along State Street, which would connect to the proposed Lake to Lake Trail along US-31. The following image, is a visual depiction of the existing and non-existent sidewalks along the Grant Street Connection.

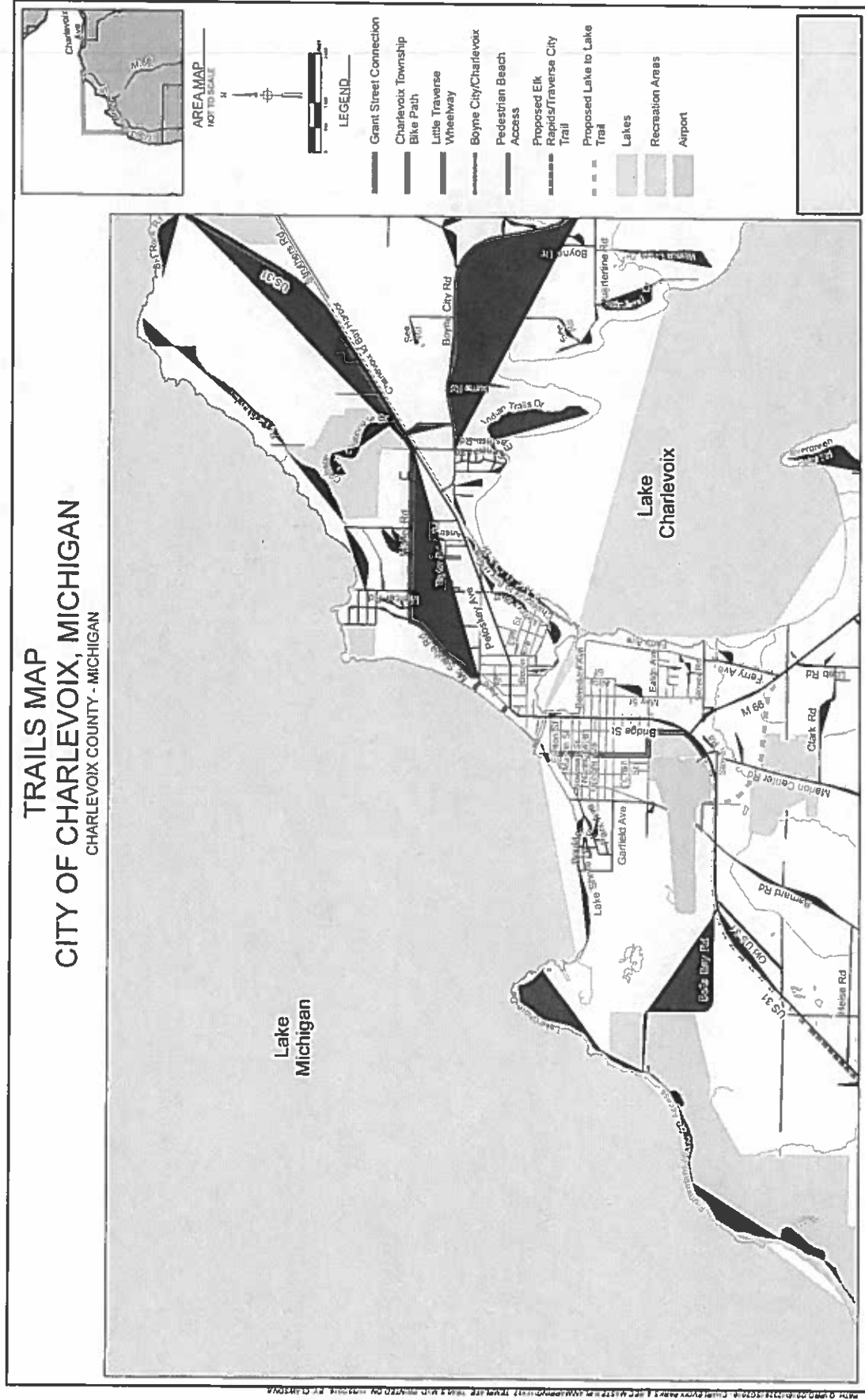
Figure 3 - Aerial of Grant Street Connection



Goals and Action Items

In order to make any of these trails happen, there needs to be a general plan in place so those involved in the process have a framework to follow. In addition to the plan, there should also be achievable goals, to catalyze these projects to completion. Within this Recreation Master Plan there are several goals and objectives outlined which reflect the overall recreation planning for the City of Charlevoix, see Chapter 6 Goals and Objectives.

Map 5 - Trails and Non-Motorized Transportation



Community Input

One of the most important aspects of a community's Recreation Master Plan is the inclusion of the resident's opinions about how they view the future of their parks and recreation system. The City of Charlevoix created a community survey to gather the information which would guide their parks and recreation program for the next 5 years. A complete tabulation of the results is available for review in Appendix C. The text below provides a description of significant results.

Overall, the survey had 19 questions, and there were a total of 546 responses. The City advertised the community input survey on the City website, the City Facebook page, and put out a targeted advertisement on Facebook. The online survey was available from July 17, 2016 to September 7, 2016, at charlevoixrecreation.com.

A second means of input was provided during the required public review period ____ and the public hearing ____.

Survey Results

The following explanations are selected results from the survey, that are most interesting and pertinent. To view a complete report of results, please reference Appendix C.

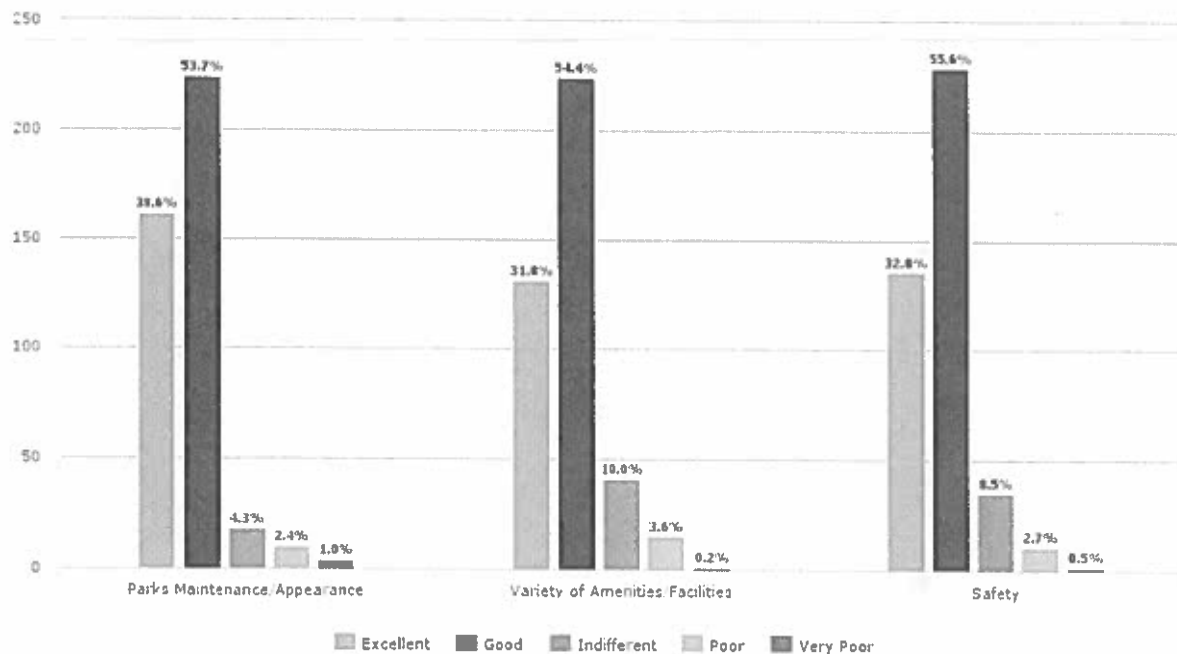
Of the 546 responses to the survey, 29% of respondents had a primary residence in the city, 22% lived in Charlevoix Township, and 10% live in Marion Township. Of all the respondents the top three age groups who participated in the survey were 45 -54 years old (21%), 55 -64 years old (18%), and 35 - 44 years old (17%).

The top 10 reasons why respondents visit City of Charlevoix parks is for

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Walking | 6. Nature Enjoyment/Bird Watching |
| 2. Swimming | 7. Boating |
| 3. Music/Entertainment | 8. Playgrounds |
| 4. Annual Events/ Festivals | 9. Skiing/Snowboarding |
| 5. Picnics | 10. Bicycling |

Overall the respondents from the survey seem to be very pleased with the parks and recreation options in Charlevoix. The following chart highlights how respondents rated park maintenance/appearance, variety of amenities/facilities, and safety from Excellent to Very Poor. For each of the three categories, over 30% of the respondents ranked them as Excellent, and similarly for each category over 50% of respondents ranked the characteristics as Good. This totals to over 80% for each category where respondents were happy and thought the facilities were in Good or Excellent condition.

Figure 4 - Rating of Park Facilities



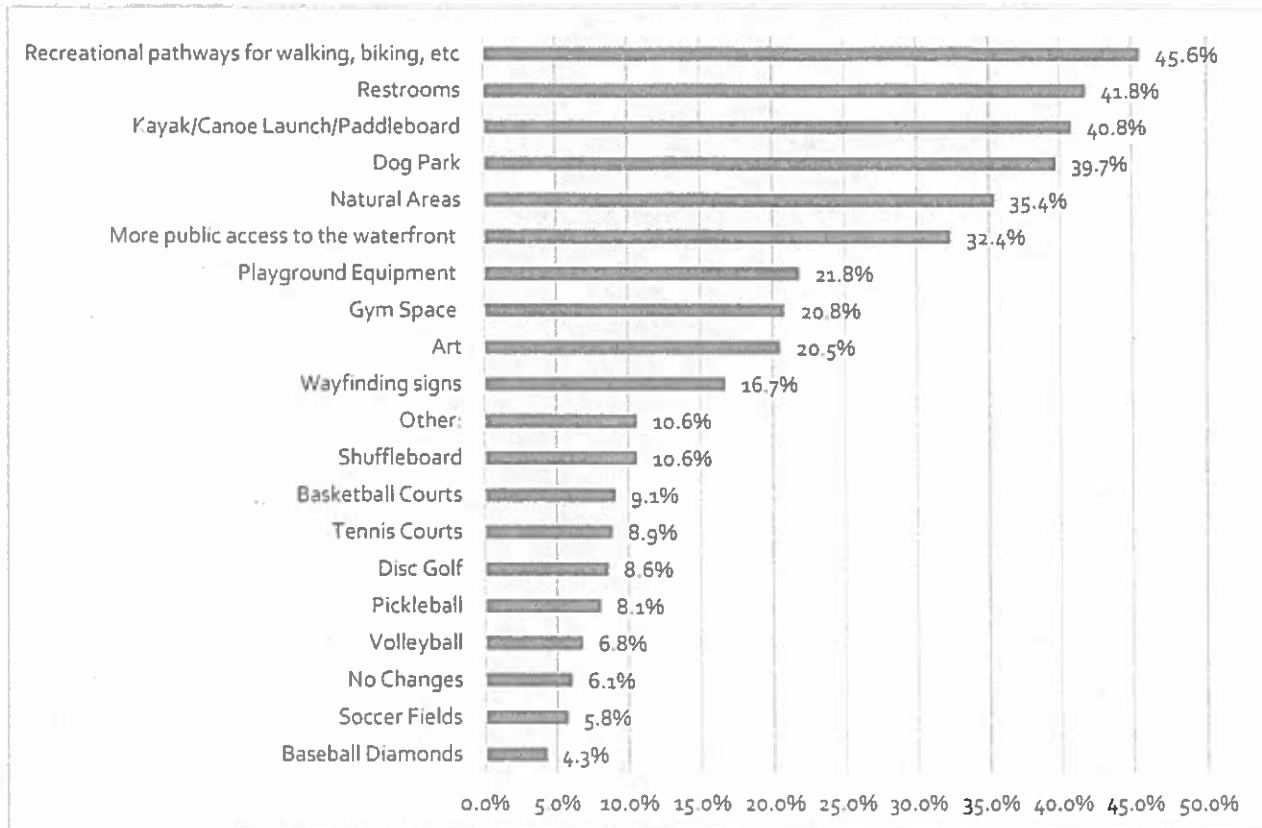
Respondents were also asked their opinion on several recreation statements, to see the full list please reference Appendix C, however a few are explained here. Fifty-one percent of respondents and 35% of respondents Strongly Agree and Agree, respectively, that Charlevoix should promote public access to lakes. Fifty-six percent of respondents and 36% of respondents Strongly Agree and Agree, respectively, that Charlevoix should promote public access to trails. Sixty-three percent of respondents and 30% of respondents Strongly Agree and Agree, respectively, that it is important to provide outdoor recreation facilities, athletic fields, and courts. Finally, 57% of respondents and 29% of respondents Strongly Agree and Agree, respectively, that it is important the Charlevoix's parks have non-motorized paths and trails.

Respondents were also asked what facilities or amenities they would like to see added to parks and recreation facilities. All of the results can be found in Figure 5 below, however the top 5 responses were

1. Recreation pathways for walking, biking, etc.
2. Restrooms
3. Kayak/Canoe Launch/Paddleboards
4. Dog Parks
5. Natural Areas

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Figure 5 - Additional facilities or Amenities respondents would like to see added to the parks.



Respondents also had the option to type in their own responses, there were a total of 42 answers, and they are highlighted in Table 4 on the following page.

Table 4 – Other Responses

Response	Number
Accessibility amenities	3
City Golf Course/ Update Clubhouse	3
Maintenance	3
Pickleball Courts	3
Water Safety (Lifeguards, information etc.)	3
Better quality/Expand skate park	2
Ice Rink downtown	2
Non-motorized paths	2
Bike racks at parks and playgrounds	1
Camping Sites	1
Changing Rooms at beach	1
Channel Jumping	1
Groom trails for cross country skiing	1
Historical Markers	1
Indoor ice arena	1
Koi Ponds	1
Lighthouse	1
More seating at stage	1
More transient dock slips	1
Mountain Biking/Snowmobiling Trails	1
Playground	1
Sailing Club	1
Shade	1
Small boat dockage	1
Soccer	1
Stargazing Area	1
Three season pavilion	1
Water features at beaches	1

Finally, the respondents were asked if the City should have an ice rink that is more centrally located to the downtown area? A total 60% of respondents stated yes it should be closer to downtown.

Goals and Action Items

Developing goals and action items is an important part of the recreation planning process. The overall goals of a recreation department is to provide recreation opportunities for the community it serves.

More specific goals must be based on the demographic characteristics of the population, the physical and environmental characteristics of the area, and the input of the community.

Goals are the broadest level, they are overarching and general. Action items identify specific projects and programs. The action items can include organizational, staffing, programming, public information, and operation and maintenance actions.

The Charlevoix Recreation Advisory Board formulated the following goals and actions items based upon the characteristics of the overall community, input received throughout the year, a resource inventory, and a community-wide recreation survey in 2016. However, the Recreation Advisory Board acknowledges that this plan is a tool to implement their projects, and has thus created four guiding principles which will provide a path for decision-making in the next 5 years. These principles represent a broad philosophy for recreation and provide a framework for all of the future projects the Advisory Board will take on. The goals and objectives outlined in this section are considered to be consistent with and reflective of following four guiding principles:

- Maintain facilities in a safe, accessible manner
- City parks will be accessible to everyone
- City parks will be inclusive and have something for everyone
- Continue to look for new opportunities to address community needs and demands



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Goal 1: Provide and maintain multi-generational recreational opportunities and activities for people of all abilities, both mentally and physically, within the community. The City of Charlevoix recognizes the importance of a park system that is inclusive to all users. This includes, both access for all individuals, and places and activities that appeal to all individuals. The City also recognizes that parks are a foundation for the community, and therefore it is important the broad spectrum of users to be able to easily interact with one another to build on that sense of community. Therefore, creating and maintaining an equally accessible park system is a priority of the City. The action plan, Table 5, at the end of this section describes which items the City has identified to implement this goal. Specifically, the action items which correspond to this goal, and will help implement it are: A, B, C, E, G, M, N, O, U, W, X, and Y.

Goal 2: Continue to provide diversified natural experiences and maintain high environmental standards in parks and recreation facilities.

The City of Charlevoix is surrounded by an abundance of high quality natural recreation resources. Therefore, the City would be remiss not to work with those resources to create a park system which takes advantage of every naturally occurring opportunity. However, if the City chooses to capitalize on the nearby resources, it becomes their responsibility to protect them to the best of their ability. There are many ways to do this, but ensuring policies and programs are in place and are enforced to protect these resources is a good start. By maintaining a recreation environment that is sensitive to the surrounding natural features the City of Charlevoix will be able to be a good steward to the biologically sensitive areas surrounding them. The action plan, Table 5, at the end of this section describes which items the City has identified to implement this goal. Specifically, the action items which correspond to this goal, and will help implement it are: D and Y.

Goal 3: Retain all existing park and recreation lands for use and enjoyment by the public.

The naturally occurring resources in the Charlevoix area are one of the reasons which make this region so special, therefore it is crucial to work to protect them. The resources are not limited to the natural occurring amenities, but also include the City parks and recreation system. These amenities are just as important to the success of the region and the enjoyment of the City. Therefore, it is crucial to proactively protect the resources in existence today and in the future. The action plan, Table 5, at the end of this section describes which items the City has identified to implement this goal. Specifically, the action items which correspond to this goal, and will help implement it are: B, L, M, P, Q, and Z.



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Goal 4: Effectively utilize funding in a manner that allows the City to maintain the condition and safety of all parks and properties.

While it is important to expand upon the recreation opportunities the City offers, it is also crucial that the parks and recreation system ensure the current facilities in place are maintained, up to date, and safe for all users. Therefore, the City needs to create a plan to prioritize general funding for maintenance and upkeep. It is also important that the City plan ahead and have a thorough understanding of their facilities to continue to provide high quality of recreation options to all residents and visitors. Additionally, the city can work to find a way to supplement this money by seeking out additional funding sources which are specific to maintaining infrastructure. The action plan, Table 5, at the end of this section describes which items the City has identified to implement this goal. Specifically, the action items which correspond to this goal, and will help implement it are: F, J, L, M, N, P, Q, S, T, and V.

Goal 5: Continue the development of multi-use paths and a non-motorized transportation network throughout the City, with strategic connections to be made with regional pathway systems.

Regional non-motorized pathways are becoming more important to the average recreation user, and the survey respondents have indicated a greater desire for non-motorized pathways connecting the City to the larger region. The City thinks it is important to work with neighboring jurisdictions and local agencies to expand the regional trail systems through the City, and to provide a level of service that the recreation users desire. In addition to regional trail systems, Charlevoix can also move toward a more complete streets network within their own jurisdiction, to support all modes of travel. The action plan, Table 5, at the end of this section describes which items the City has identified to implement this goal. Specifically, the action items which correspond to this goal, and will help implement it are: H, I, K, O, R, and Y.



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Goal 6: Support and encourage cooperative discussions, efforts and relationships with Federal, State, and local governmental units, as well as non-profit organizations.

The City of Charlevoix is in a region where recreation is important to the residents, because the opportunities are so abundant. Just because the City is only responsible for the parks and recreational facilities within its borders does not mean it cannot work with other jurisdictions and businesses or non-profit foundations to expand and diversify the recreation opportunities. One way to significantly improve parks and recreation within the City and surrounding areas is to work with the surrounding communities. The City cannot provide all types of recreation to the residents and visitors, but through local partnerships it can significantly increase the quality of local parks and be the agent of change in working with other communities. Residents have indicated they are interested in regional recreation opportunities, and therefore the City will need to collaborate with other jurisdictions to provide the appropriate recreation options. The action plan, Table 5, at the end of this section describes which items the City has identified to implement this goal. Specifically, the action items which correspond to this goal, and will help implement it are: E, H, K, and R.

Goal 7: Maintain and improve public access to water bodies including Round Lake, Lake Charlevoix, and Lake Michigan.

The City of Charlevoix is surrounded by several large freshwater bodies, and much of the recreation options in the community are strongly affected by them. The majority of the visitors to the City are visiting because of the access to water. The lakes also have a significant impact on the Charlevoix economy. This means that it is essential that residents and visitors alike, have public access to these water bodies. Access to the water means many things to different people, some would like beach and swimming access, others are interested in recreational boating access, and others still need access for fishing. It is imperative that the City of Charlevoix work with the community to provide adequate public access to the City's most beautiful features. The action plan, Table 5, at the end of this section describes which items the City has identified to implement this goal. Specifically, the action items which correspond to this goal, and will help implement it are: C, I, N, O, and U.



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Table 5 - Action Items

Action Items		Relates to Goal
A.	Improve accessibility parking at Charlevoix parks and beaches	1
B.	Continue to improve/increase ADA facilities and equipment	1, 3
C.	Create ADA accessible kayak launches at Ferry, Lake Michigan, and Depot Beaches	1, 7
D.	Look for ways to implement "green" and sustainable facilities and projects	2
E.	Work with area partners to provide recreation programs for every age group	1, 6
F.	Update and improve recreation facilities, bathrooms, pavilions, concession stands, and ball parks	4
G.	Continue to look for properties to expand area parks when possible	1
H.	Work with partners to develop trail system throughout Charlevoix and to link with surrounding communities	5, 6
I.	Develop a Blue Way trail system for water enthusiasts	5, 7
J.	Improve the Charlevoix Golf Club as needed	4
K.	Work with area townships to create and sustain recreation opportunities	5, 6
L.	Continue to improve and update safety measures at all area properties	3, 4
M.	Develop more recreation opportunities at area parks	1, 3, 4
N.	Consider enhancing Lake Michigan beach park along Park Ave. which is the gem of Charlevoix beaches	1, 4, 7
O.	Enhance current trail systems at the Mt. McSauba Recreation Area	1, 5
P.	Continue to update recreation equipment as needed	3, 4
Q.	Develop signage at recreation amenities and facilities	3, 4
R.	Continue to develop trails with city and regional partners	5, 6
S.	Create a facility committee that's comprised of key stakeholders	4
T.	Utilize technology to better communicate, inform, and market recreation opportunities	4
U.	Create accessible beaches	1, 7
V.	Create a website that is geared toward retirees and improve customer experience	4
W.	Develop a gym planning program	1
X.	Create a dog park	1
Y.	Develop a terrain park at Mt. McSauba	1, 2, 5
Z.	Investigate the feasibility of locating an outdoor ice rink that is more centrally located in the downtown area.	3

Planning Process

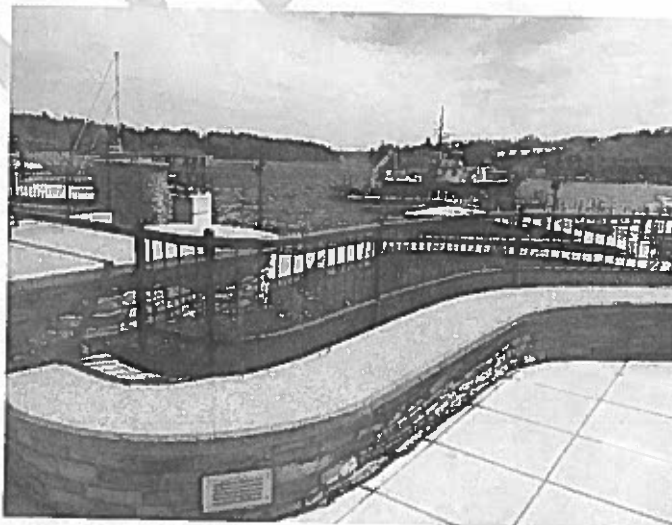
In an effort to provide quality recreational opportunities for its citizens, the City of Charlevoix has developed this Recreation Master Plan as a tool to guide the development of recreation facilities over the next five years. This plan represents an ongoing commitment by the City to establish recreational goals for the community. The plan will also provide Charlevoix eligibility for grants from the Department of Natural Resources to assist the City in reaching its recreational goals.

The City of Charlevoix contracted with Spicer Group of Saginaw to assist the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board with the completion of this plan. Spicer Group consultants met with the staff and the Recreation Advisory Board 4 times during 2016 while working on the plan.

Data was collected about the City of Charlevoix, including demographics, natural features inventory, and an inventory of the parks and facilities owned and operated by the City. This data was gathered from a number of resources including City staff, the 2011 Charlevoix Recreation Master Plan, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and research of aerial images.

Two opportunities for input and participation were provided during the development of this plan, the results of which were described in an earlier section of this plan. Based upon the existing information and the public input, City staff and the Recreation Advisory Board developed goals for parks and recreation in the City of Charlevoix. The Recreation Advisory Board also created an action program to accomplish the goals of the plan.

Spicer Group completed a draft recreation plan which was subsequently available for review at the _____, and on the City's website. The 30-day Notice of Review was published in the _____ on _____. The final opportunity for community input occurred at the advertised public hearing held prior to adoption of the plan, which was held on 02/20/2017. After this public hearing, the Recreation Advisory Board passed a resolution recommending adoption of the Recreation Master Plan. Finally, the plan was transmitted to the City Council for its review. The City of Charlevoix approved a resolution to adopt the recreation plan at the City Council meeting on 03/06/2017. Copies of the recreation plan were transmitted to Charlevoix County, Networks Northwest, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in _____. Copies of the notification advertisements, the public hearing minutes, and the resolution, are included in Appendix D.



Appendix A

Demographic Master List

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City of Charlevoix: Comparative population information with Charlevoix Township, Charlevoix County, the State of Michigan, and the United States

*These data are from the 2010 Decennial Census

	City of Charlevoix			Charlevoix Township			Charlevoix County			Michigan		
	2010	2000	% Change	2010	2000	% Change	2010	2000	% Change	2010	2000	% Change
% Change in Population, 2000 - 2010	2,513	2,994	19.1%	1,645	1,697	3.2%	25,949	26,090	0.5%	9,880,540	9,938,444	-0.6%
Population age 5 years and younger												
5 to 19	107	186	4.3%	81	107	4.9%	1,363	1,691	5.3%	596,286	672,005	6.0%
20 to 24	387	534	15.4%	308	357	18.7%	4,872	5,627	18.8%	2,052,599	2,212,060	22.2%
25 to 44	143	178	5.7%	89	79	4.2%	4,119	1,133	4.3%	669,072	648,839	6.8%
45 to 64	496	791	19.7%	311	411	18.9%	5,443	7,159	21.0%	2,442,123	2,960,544	29.8%
65+	788	724	31.4%	500	416	30.4%	8,319	6,586	32.1%	2,762,030	2,230,978	22.5%
	592	581	23.0%	376	297	22.9%	4,813	3,894	18.6%	1,361,530	1,219,018	12.3%
Population age 19 and younger	494	720	19.7%	389	464	23.6%	6,235	7,318	24.0%	2,648,885	2,884,065	29.0%
Median Age	48.1	40.8		47.5	41.7		45.5	39.1		38.9	35.5	
Average Household Size	1.94	2.14		2.35	2.5		2.36	2.48		2.49	2.56	
Black & Hispanic Population	54	45	2.1%	19	32	1.2%	439	317	1.7%	1,818,590	1,736,619	18.4%
Foreign Born Population*	68	46	1.7%	39	32	2.4%	590	360	2.3%	602,902	523,589	6.1%
TOTAL HOUSING UNITS	2,162	2,096	100.0%	1,032	942	100.0%	17,299	15,370	100.0%	4,532,233	4,234,279	100.0%
Occupied	1,770	1,375	65.6%	990	662	57.2%	10,518	10,400	60.8%	3,872,508	3,785,661	89.4%
Vacant	892	721	34.4%	442	280	42.8%	6,781	4,970	35.2%	659,725	448,618	10.6%
Owner-occupied	679	841	61.2%	542	585	91.9%	8,545	8,138	81.2%	2,793,342	2,793,124	73.8%
Renter occupied	591	534	38.8%	48	77	8.1%	1,973	1,962	18.8%	1,079,166	992,537	16.2%
Median Housing Value*	\$165,900	\$113,400	15.5%	\$166,100	\$167,800	21.8%	\$149,700	\$117,700	4.9%	\$119,200	115,600	-18.6%
Median Housing Value, Adjusted for 2010 dollars	\$165,900	\$143,598		\$166,100	\$212,484		\$149,700	\$142,711		\$119,200	146,384	
AGE OF HOUSING STRUCTURE*												
2010+	0	2,103	0.0%	3	945	0.3%	29	NA	0.2%	8,678	NA	NA
2000-2009	65	NA	3.3%	147	NA	14.7%	1,654	NA	9.6%	489,010	NA	NA
1990-1999	205	126	6.7%	298	421	28.2%	3,044	3,531	17.6%	578,134	623,855	14.7%
1980-1989	223	276	18.4%	183	97	17.7%	2,344	2,329	13.5%	451,317	446,197	10.5%
1970-1979	272	334	34.1%	116	145	11.2%	3,036	2,631	17.6%	699,194	722,799	17.1%
1960-1969	281	253	14.1%	154	144	14.9%	2,207	1,854	12.8%	552,768	602,670	14.2%
1940-1959	288	266	19.6%	95	84	9.2%	2,408	1,668	13.9%	1,076,515	1,123,299	26.5%
1939 or earlier	828	848	3.7%	36	54	3.5%	2,577	3,157	14.9%	692,476	715,459	16.9%
% Housing units built prior to 1980	1,669	1,701	77.2%	401	427	38.9%	10,228	9,510	59.2%	3,020,953	3,164,227	74.7%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT: 25 years and older*												
Bachelor's or higher	718	471	31.9%	367	376	34.9%	5,089	3,479	27.1%	1,693,007	1,396,259	21.8%
Some college or associate's	574	694	30.3%	372	333	35.4%	6,122	5,440	31.6%	2,148,211	1,944,688	30.3%

High School	457	24.1%	659	31.8%	236	22.4%	318	28.2%	5,934	31.6%	6,158	35.1%	2,029,803	30.7%	2,010,861	31.3%
No High School diploma	144	7.6%	248	11.9%	93	8.9%	100	8.9%	1,834	8.7%	2,451	14.0%	778,468	11.1%	1,064,133	16.6%
Median Household Income*	\$32,868		\$35,284		\$49,000		\$45,758		\$46,709		\$39,788		\$47,175		\$44,667	
Median Household Income, Adjusted for 2010 dollars	\$32,868	-26.4%	\$44,680		\$49,000	-15.4%	\$57,943		\$46,709	-7.3%	\$50,383		\$47,175	-16.0%	\$56,562	
Per Capita Income	\$29,427		\$21,319		\$27,328		\$22,835		\$27,231		\$20,130		\$24,997		\$22,168	
Individuals below Poverty Level*	580	23.1%	279	9.3%	230	14.0%	76	4.3%	3,477	13.4%	2,087	8.0%	1,709,870	17.3%	1,021,605	10.5%
OCCUPATION BY INDUSTRY*																
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	11	1.5%	191	1.7%	177	1.5%	54,946	1.3%	49,496	1.1%
Construction	46	4.1%	110	8.7%	23	3.9%	63	8.5%	807	7.0%	1,796	10.8%	230,905	5.3%	278,079	6.0%
Manufacturing	131	11.8%	200	15.8%	105	17.0%	112	15.0%	2,082	18.1%	2,520	21.0%	770,715	17.6%	1,045,651	22.5%
Wholesale trade	22	2.0%	30	2.4%	14	2.4%	7	0.9%	212	1.8%	238	2.0%	122,378	2.8%	151,656	3.3%
Retail trade	210	18.9%	221	17.5%	79	13.4%	84	11.3%	1,359	11.8%	1,419	11.8%	507,530	11.6%	550,918	11.9%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5	0.5%	53	4.2%	12	2.0%	33	4.4%	446	3.9%	476	4.0%	181,648	4.2%	191,799	4.1%
Information	8	0.7%	7	0.6%	7	1.2%	8	1.1%	117	1.0%	134	1.1%	82,395	1.9%	98,887	2.1%
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	89	8.0%	76	6.0%	48	8.1%	36	4.8%	553	4.8%	521	4.3%	250,855	5.7%	246,633	5.3%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, waste management services	98	8.8%	57	4.5%	46	7.8%	59	7.9%	981	8.5%	593	4.9%	388,026	8.9%	371,119	8.0%
Educational, health and social services	251	22.6%	262	20.7%	99	16.8%	213	28.6%	2,420	21.0%	2,423	20.2%	1,012,153	23.2%	921,395	19.9%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	120	10.8%	132	10.4%	94	16.0%	50	6.7%	1,504	13.0%	1,257	10.5%	397,267	9.1%	351,229	7.6%
Other services (except public administration)	68	6.1%	71	5.6%	17	2.9%	29	3.9%	464	4.0%	527	4.4%	206,152	4.7%	212,868	4.6%
Public administration	61	5.5%	46	3.6%	45	7.6%	40	5.4%	398	3.5%	420	3.5%	164,815	3.8%	167,731	3.6%

Appendix B

Past Grant History

Appendix C

Community Input Survey – Full Report

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Total Responses: 546 | Completed Responses 378 (69%)

1. What is your residential status in the Charlevoix area?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Primary residence is in the City		29.0%	149
I live in Charlevoix Township		22.4%	115
I live in Marion Township		10.3%	53
I live in Hayes Township		9.2%	47
Seasonal or weekend residence		8.0%	41
Other:		6.8%	35
I live in Norwood Township		5.5%	28
Rent property in the City		3.5%	18
Own property in, but do not reside in the City		2.9%	15
I live in Eveline Township		2.3%	12
Total Responses			513

1. What is your residential status in the Charlevoix area? (Other:)

#	Response
1.	Visit often
2.	Share an 81 year old family cabin in Hayes Township.
3.	Oakland Co.
4.	Parents w/ primary residence in the City
5.	We live in Marion Township but only in the city as well
6.	Marion
7.	non resident - previous resident
8.	Moving back to charlevoix county within the year.
9.	Former Charlevoix resident
10.	I grew up in Marion Twp and visit frequently
11.	Parents live in South Arm Township.
12.	live in east jordan work in charlevoix
13.	My Great Grand parents settled in CHARLEVOIX about 1860! I spent all summer for 10 years with Grandma Metta Wallace and Step-Grandpa, William H. ("Bill") Wallace from 1947-1957.
14.	6 month resident
15.	South Arm Twnshp
16.	Work year round in Charlevoix.
17.	Hamburg Township
18.	Family that lives there -come to visit every summer
19.	south arm township
20.	Parents live in Charlevoix Twp.
21.	Potential future resident of Charlevoix
22.	Work in Charlevoix, Live in Petoskey
23.	Live in Petoskey, work in Charlevoix
24.	Do not live but work and do all bussiness there
25.	I live in Marion township and own property in the city
26.	I work in Charlevoix
27.	Ellsworth address. Charlevoix schools and employment
28.	I work in Charlevoix
29.	Antrim county, Atwood
30.	Antrium County, Ellsworth
31.	Banks Township

32. Work in Charlevoix

33. Atwood

2. Are you a registered voter in the City of Charlevoix?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Yes		45.0%	227
No		55.0%	277
Total Responses			504

3. What is your age?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Under 18		11.9%	61
18 - 24		7.2%	37
25 - 34		11.3%	58
35 - 44		16.6%	85
45 - 54		21.1%	108
55 - 64		17.8%	91
65 or older		14.1%	72
Total Responses			512

4. Considering all area parks and recreational facilities owned and operated by the City of Charlevoix as referenced on the map above, how often have you visited the following facilities in the past year?

	10 or more times	5 - 9 times	1 - 4 times	Not at all	Total Responses
9-East Park	289 (64.9%)	76 (17.1%)	51 (11.5%)	29 (6.5%)	445
5-Michigan Beach Park Marina	231 (51.7%)	106 (23.7%)	89 (19.9%)	21 (4.7%)	447
1-Mt McSauba Recreation Area	193 (44.2%)	66 (15.1%)	94 (21.5%)	84 (19.2%)	437
13-Ferry Beach Park	187 (42.0%)	54 (12.1%)	141 (31.7%)	63 (14.2%)	445
15-Depot Beach	176 (39.6%)	108 (24.3%)	132 (29.7%)	29 (6.5%)	445
8-Robert Bridge Memorial Park	141 (31.8%)	79 (17.8%)	156 (35.2%)	67 (15.1%)	443
10-Veteran's Park	109 (25.0%)	68 (15.6%)	110 (25.2%)	149 (34.2%)	436
12-Carpenter Ave Ball fields	106 (24.3%)	74 (16.9%)	133 (30.4%)	124 (28.4%)	437
Lake to Lake Trail	96 (22.0%)	27 (6.2%)	87 (20.0%)	226 (51.8%)	436
6-Water Tower Park	64 (14.9%)	42 (9.8%)	104 (24.2%)	219 (51.0%)	429
2-Charlevoix Golf Club	51 (11.9%)	32 (7.4%)	112 (26.0%)	235 (54.7%)	430
7-Hoffmann Park	48 (11.0%)	24 (5.5%)	89 (20.3%)	277 (63.2%)	438
4-West Dixon Park	40 (9.3%)	36 (8.4%)	122 (28.4%)	232 (54.0%)	430
14-Coast Guard Park	28 (6.5%)	24 (5.6%)	110 (25.6%)	268 (62.3%)	430
3-Elm Street Tennis Courts	19 (4.4%)	26 (6.1%)	88 (20.6%)	295 (68.9%)	428
11-Community Skate Park	17 (3.9%)	14 (3.2%)	49 (11.3%)	354 (81.6%)	434
	16 (3.7%)	11 (2.5%)	30 (6.9%)	376 (86.8%)	433

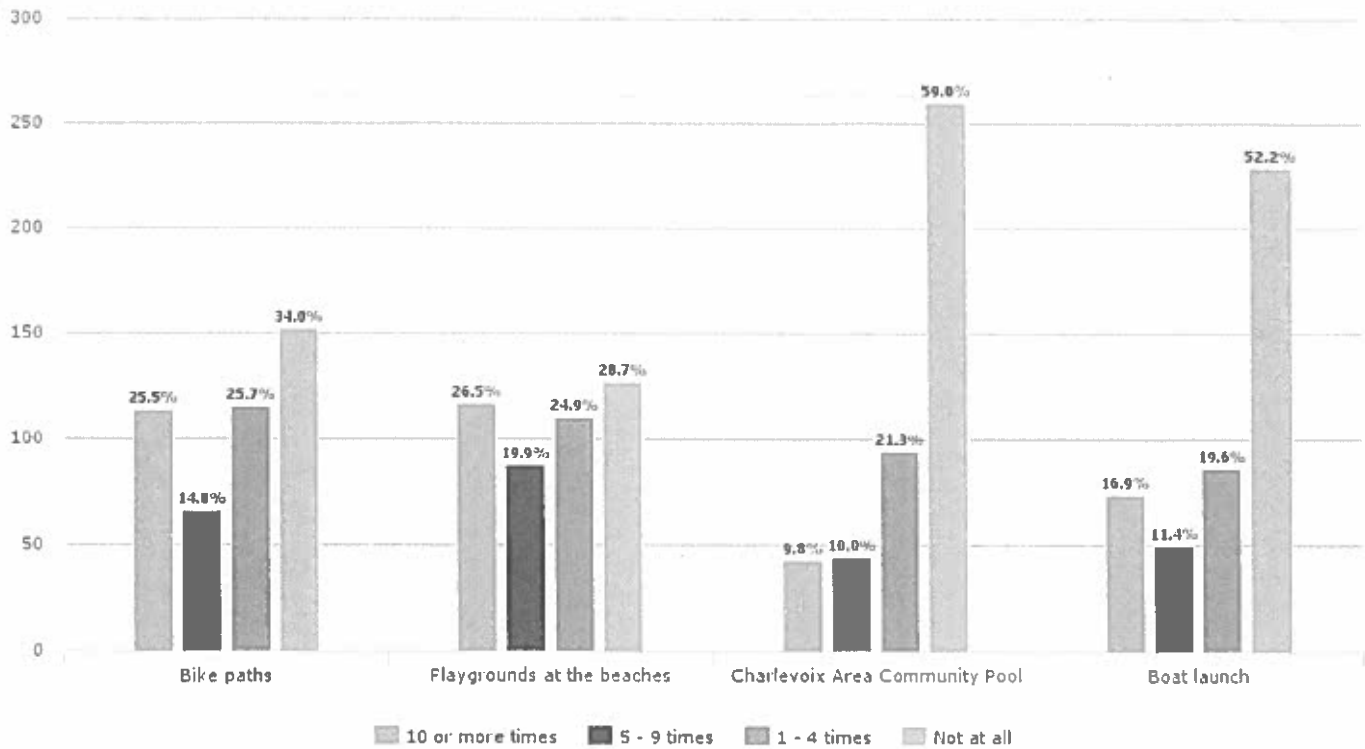
5. Based upon your responses in Question 4, why do you visit area parks and recreational facilities?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Walking		68.5%	307
Swimming		65.4%	293
Music/Entertainment		62.5%	280
Participating in other annual events/festivals/arts		60.7%	272
Picnics		44.9%	201
Nature enjoyment/Bird Watching		44.0%	197
Boating (includes jet skis, sailboats, etc.)		42.9%	192
Playgrounds		39.5%	177
Skiing/Snowboarding		34.6%	155
Bicycling		32.6%	146
Sledding		31.9%	143
Running /Jogging for exercise		29.9%	134
Canoeing/Kayaking/Paddleboard		27.2%	122
Watching organized sports or activities		26.8%	120
Baseball/Softball		25.4%	114
Fishing		24.1%	108
Golf		23.9%	107
Participating in organized sports or activities		23.7%	106
Snowshoeing/Cross Country Skiing		17.4%	78
Pavilion Rental		17.0%	76
Ice Skating		15.2%	68
Basketball		15.0%	67
Summer Day Camps		12.9%	58
Frisbee/Disc Golf		12.5%	56
Tennis		12.1%	54
Participate in organized races/marathons		9.8%	44
Skateboarding/rollerblading		6.2%	28
Volleyball		6.0%	27
Other:		5.6%	25
Pickleball		2.2%	10
Total Responses			448

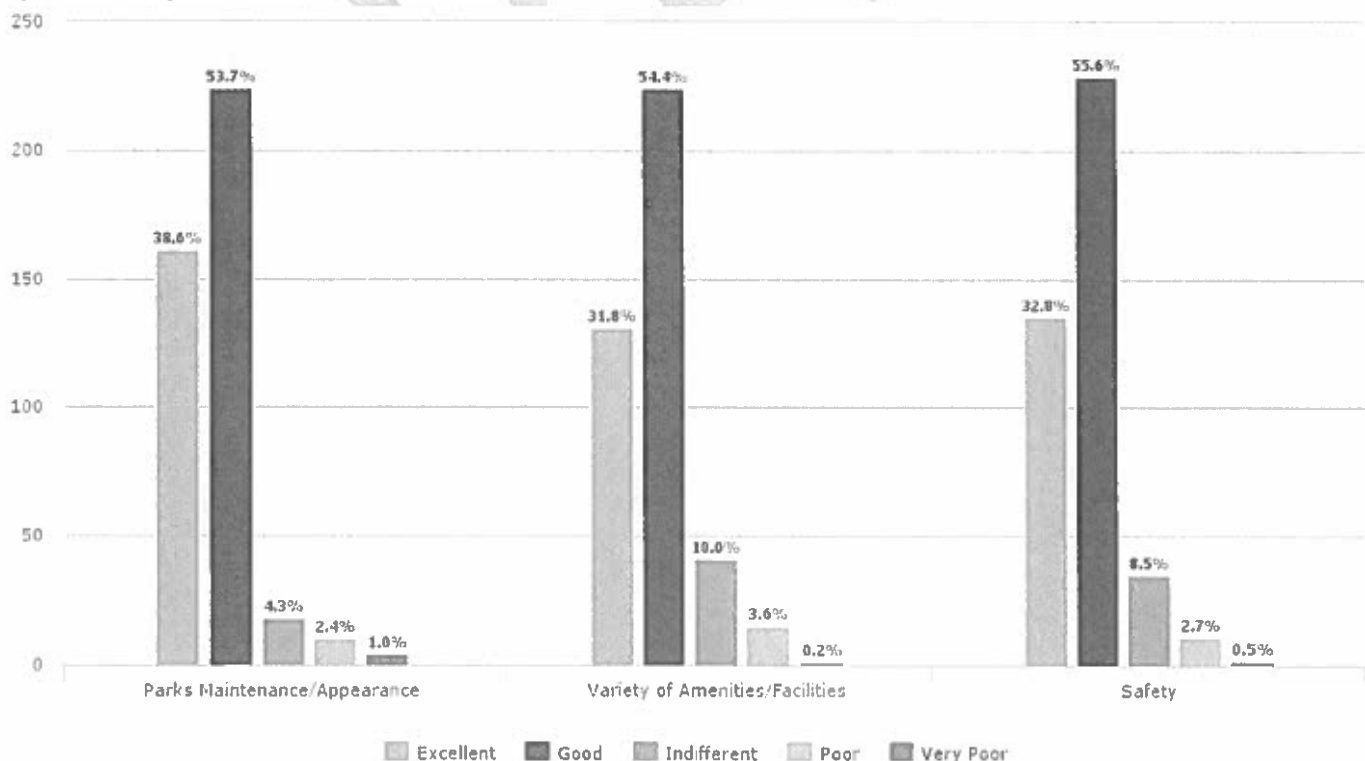
5. Based upon your responses in Question 4, why do you visit area parks and recreational facilities?
(Other:)

#	Response
1.	Just relaxing and enjoying the area or painting.
2.	church service
3.	work and family
4.	We visited every year until my husband died in 2012.
5.	Nature hikes
6.	Walked my dog.
7.	summer day camp for grandchildren
8.	I like them
9.	
10.	Go for walks
11.	Generally just taking in the beauty of CVX
12.	to relax
13.	sunsets
14.	dog walking!
15.	enjoying nature at its best
16.	enjoy the view: please de clutter and maintain these areas
17.	Enjoy the view (what's left of it). Take a deep breath, relax, and chill.
18.	enjoy the views (what's left of them), open spaces (what's left of them), people watch and chill.
19.	School trips/events
20.	People watch
21.	Spend time with family
22.	Dog walking
23.	Work/Maintenance
24.	chill
25.	

6. How often have you used the following specific amenities in the past year?



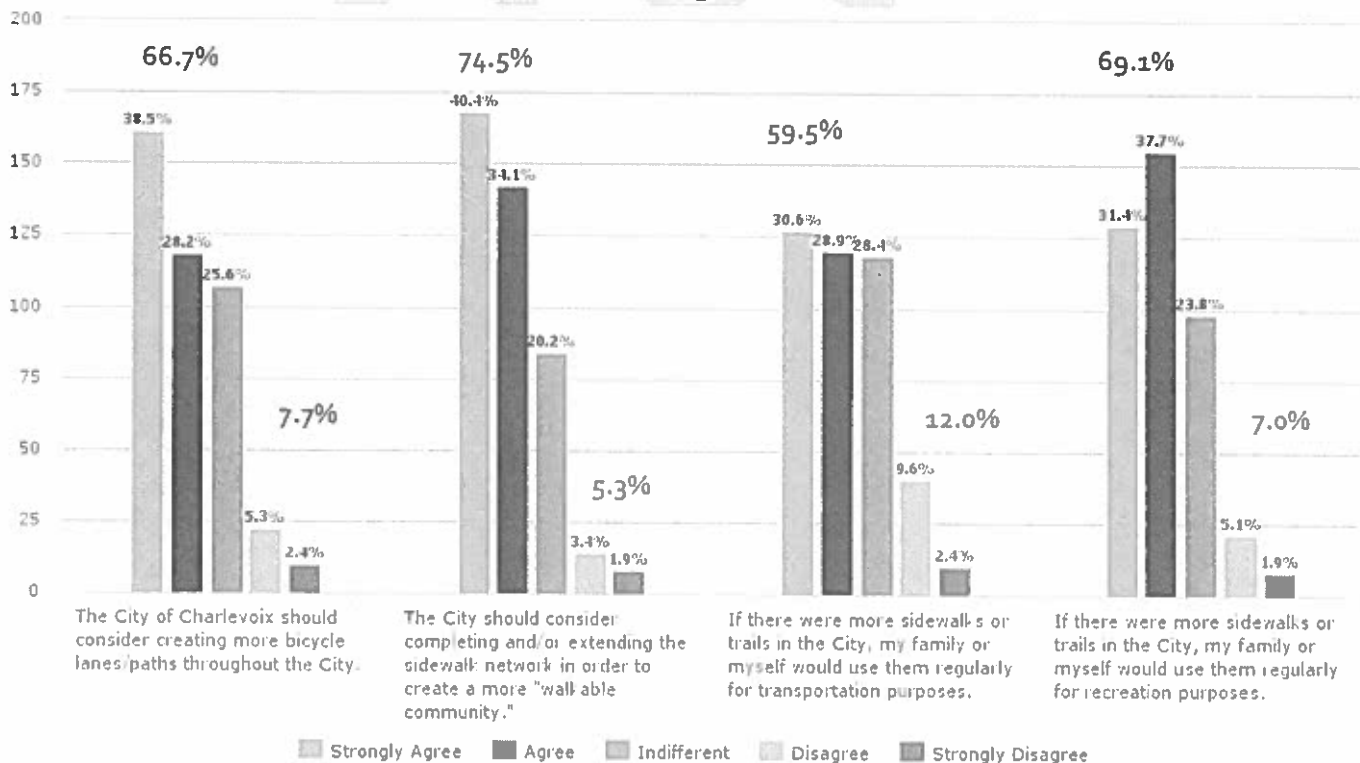
7. Please provide your overall opinion regarding the following aspects of City operated parks and recreation facilities.



8. Please provide your opinion regarding these statements.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Indifferent	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Total Responses
The City of Charlevoix should promote public access to lakes.	210 (50.5%)	146 (35.1%)	48 (11.5%)	7 (1.7%)	5 (1.2%)	416
	85.6%			2.9%		
The City of Charlevoix should promote public access to trails.	227 (55.1%)	150 (36.4%)	32 (7.8%)	1 (0.2%)	2 (0.5%)	412
	91.5%			0.7%		
It is important to preserve and protect the various water bodies that surround the City of Charlevoix.	333 (80.0%)	74 (17.8%)	8 (1.9%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.2%)	416
	97.8%			0.2%		
It is important to provide outdoor recreational facilities, athletic fields, and courts within the City's park system.	262 (63.1%)	123 (29.6%)	27 (6.5%)	2 (0.5%)	1 (0.2%)	415
	92.7%			0.7%		
It is important that Charlevoix's parks have non-motorized pathways and trails.	237 (57.4%)	120 (29.1%)	49 (11.9%)	6 (1.5%)	1 (0.2%)	413
	86.5%			1.7%		
Public greenspace is an important element of the City's parks.	274 (65.9%)	109 (26.2%)	30 (7.2%)	2 (0.5%)	1 (0.2%)	416
	92.1%			0.7%		

9. Please provide your opinion regarding these statements.



10. Considering the resources and funds available, which of the following is most important for the City operated parks and recreation facilities in the next 5 years?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Enhance existing parks		68.1%	273
Keep Charlevoix parks as they are now.		19.5%	78
Acquire more park space		12.5%	50
Total Responses			401

11. What kind of improvements need to be made at Mt. McSauba?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Improved parking area		50.8%	165
Updates to lift at hill		48.6%	158
Lodge Improvements		44.6%	145
Updated rental equipment		26.2%	85
Improved lighting		21.8%	71
Other:		16.0%	52
Total Responses			325

11. What kind of improvements need to be made at Mt. McSauba? (Other:)

#	Response
1.	enforcing dogs on leashes
2.	Mt. McSauba is a FABULOUS place that needs to get some attention!!!
3.	use of the ice skating should be free.
4.	I don't believe improvements need to be made. Maintain what is existing. This is a very leading question.
5.	Block the ladders on the snow making guns. Seen people climbing them while disc golfing.
6.	Nothing
7.	More summer activities
8.	The summer camp needs to work on program development. It seems to continually be focused on ease for the staff and not functionality for the community.
9.	Not familiar with this park
10.	Trail maintenance and improvements
11.	The ice skating should actually be open in the winter improve it majorly and it was will get more use
12.	Larger variety of lesson times for winter sports
13.	Correctly built and maintained terrain park
14.	fix disc golf so it doesn't go across walking trails
15.	the city golf course should be under the parks and recreation department
16.	More rails/tricks for snowboarders and skiers
17.	important to protect Mt. McSauba area the way it is for the future
19.	Na
20.	Annual ski carnival before snow melts and event has to get cancelled.
21.	Trail signage for biking and hiking.
22.	Unknown. But it would be foolish to give up control to another entity.
23.	Maintain the disc golf course. Should not be left to a "club "
24.	Eliminate the disc golf course
25.	it is fine.

26.	No opinion
27.	bathroom facilities at the Lodge
28.	I am not sure anymore. My kids are grown and i am not able to go there
29.	
30.	Price
31.	new management
32.	Improve trail system and hiking access to lake
33.	More trash collection facilities
34.	
35.	If you had better lifts could operate summer amenities like zip lines/alpine slides. Very common at ski areas in off season.
36.	Be open more
37.	Protect the area from development
38.	Improve the ice rink. That would be so much fun if you operated that at night for pickup hockey.
39.	More snow making equipment.
40.	Extend bunny hill (left side looking uphill) lift a few feet to allow exit onto flat area. As is skiers must let go while still on hill incline which is difficult for a beginner and results in pile ups.
41.	scale back on the misuse of the natural areas. Leave them as they were. No more clear cutting of the ecosystem
42.	Needs some new Personel, there is never anything new or changing at the hill in the winter. Time to get a new mananger that is young and knows and is willing to do what the kids desire for the resort.
43.	More appealing
44.	I've never used the park.
45.	Sledding tow rope
46.	Greater organization of/at camp. Less like daycare, more like a camp.
47.	152mm Long Tom artillery gun
48.	addition of public restrooms
49.	camping area
50.	More Seating
51.	LET US HAMMOCK OVERNIGHT AT DUNES
52.	

12. Would you support increased funding for Charlevoix Parks and Recreation?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Yes		81.3%	322
No		18.7%	74
Total Responses			396

13. What additional facilities or amenities would you like to see added to the City's operated parks and recreational facilities?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Recreational pathways for walking, biking, etc		45.6%	180
Restrooms		41.8%	165
Kayak/Canoe Launch/Paddleboard		40.8%	161
Dog Park		39.7%	157
Natural Areas		35.4%	140
More public access to the waterfront		32.4%	128
Playground Equipment		21.8%	86
Gym Space		20.8%	82
Art		20.5%	81
Wayfinding signs		16.7%	66
Shuffleboard		10.6%	42
Other:		10.6%	42
Basketball Courts		9.1%	36
Tennis Courts		8.9%	35
Disc Golf		8.6%	34
Pickleball		8.1%	32
Volleyball		6.8%	27
No Changes		6.1%	24
Soccer Fields		5.8%	23
Baseball Diamonds		4.3%	17
Total Responses			395

13. What additional facilities or amenities would you like to see added to the City's operated parks and recreational facilities? (Other:)

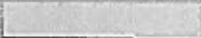
#	Response
1.	Water Safety information
2.	lifeguards at beaches
3.	Soccer golf
4.	Please add more pickleball courts. There are not enough to play on, and they are not always in good condition.
5.	hand rails going to beach at Lake Michigan Beach
6.	Please relocate skating rink to downtown. Could skate them go to restaurants for dinner. Please. Please also consider grooming trails for snowshoe/cross country skiing at city course. Please! Would really like that.
7.	city golf course
8.	Bring back the Koi Ponds and the lighthouse my grandfather built.
9.	more bike racks at parks/playgrounds
10.	more transient dock slips
11.	Ice skating in a park downtown
12.	Ice rink in park by marina
13.	Wheelchair and handicap enhancements.
15.	Bring back jumping into Chanel
16.	a few shade trees in east park
17.	rebuild the golf course clubhouse
18.	Bike paths if it would make it so they are not on the roads! Dangerous
19.	Small boat dockage
20.	The parks are great and need very little improvement.
21.	3 season / wind shield pavilion

22.	More Historical Markers
23.	bike park, skate park of better quality; indoor ice arena
24.	I'd like to see lifeguards at the beaches again. Shuffleboard is fun but not a necessity.
25.	Changing rooms at the beach!
26.	Keep DOGS off Beaches
27.	Expand skatepark
28.	motor & non-motor packed (not paved) trails/mt. biking & snowmobiling
29.	Handicapped accessible beach path, closer parking (right now the handicapped spots are far from the beach), boundless playground.
30.	Community Sailing club
31.	maintain what we have to a high level
32.	Perhaps make the tennis courts pickleball courts and have the township courts as tennis on, y, since the city courts do not have an adequate back court area.
33.	use existing tennis courts for pickleball that are not deep enough for tennis
34.	please restore and maintain what we already have. Quit giving it away, or filling it with "amenities"
35.	We have run out of space for people. No more "facilities" or "amenities" which have ruined the open spaces that were once highly versatile.
36.	More seating at stage
37.	Brochures or other improved public notification of park availability and uses.
38.	Water feature at beaches
39.	Anti-Aircraft installations
40.	camping sites
41.	Stargazing area (kept open at night)
42.	music shops

14. Planned events at Robert Bridge Memorial Park and East Park are:

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Just right		77.5%	296
Not enough		12.0%	46
Too much		10.5%	40
Total Responses			382

15. Should the City of Charlevoix have an ice rink that is more centrally located to the downtown area?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Yes		60.4%	232
No		39.6%	152
Total Responses			384

16. Do you or does a member of your family have a disability?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Yes		10.9%	43
No		89.1%	353
Total Responses			396

16. Please indicate which of the following upgrades are needed in the City's operated parks and open spaces to make them more accessible.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Indifferent	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Total Responses
Flatter, easier grades	7 (17.1%) 51.2%	14 (34.1%)	17 (41.5%)	3 (7.3%) 7.3%	0 (0.0%)	41
Accessible playgrounds	13 (31.7%) 65.8%	14 (34.1%)	13 (31.7%)	1 (2.4%) 2.4%	0 (0.0%)	41
Accessible parking	18 (40.9%) 79.5%	17 (38.6%)	8 (18.2%)	1 (2.3%) 2.3%	0 (0.0%)	44
Accessible waterfront access (beach mats, etc.)	12 (28.6%) 71.5%	18 (42.9%)	11 (26.2%)	1 (2.4%) 2.4%	0 (0.0%)	42
Accessible restrooms	17 (40.5%) 73.8%	14 (33.3%)	11 (26.2%)	0 (0.0%) 0.0%	0 (0.0%)	42
Paved Trails	11 (28.2%) 64.1%	14 (35.9%)	9 (23.1%)	3 (7.7%) 12.8%	2 (5.1%)	39
Accessible spectator viewing areas.	12 (28.6%) 71.5%	18 (42.9%)	11 (26.2%)	1 (2.4%) 2.4%	0 (0.0%)	42

17. What do you like best about parks and recreation in Charlevoix?

There were 226 response(s) to this question

Restrooms Kid Friendly Wide Open Locations Town Charlevoix Facilities Close Enjoy Available East Park Bike Trails Water Access Family and Friends Beautiful Places Love to go again next Year Picnic Areas Options Parks and a Large Water Tower Nice Addition Easy Access Spacious Walking People Depot Beach Views Maintained Ski Hill Kept

#	Response
1.	Love the beaches and the parks that are enhanced by the natural Beauty of the area.
2.	Love the beaches.
3.	Beaches and activites.
4.	Access to the lakes (Michigan, Depot and Ferry beaches).
5.	That we have access to them and they are beautiful and for the most part maintained.
6.	They are clean and up to date.
7.	We are blessed to have so many parks and beautiful beaches. I was shocked to see we no longer have lifeguards.
8.	Music in East Park. Public beaches.
9.	A lot of different options
10.	Parks are safe for kids and there are several close by, public beaches are excellent, bike trail is great (just needs to keep going!), yoga in the park is awesome.
11.	Lots of opportunity
12.	The quality in which they are maintained and the easy access to all of them.
13.	It's there when you want it
14.	Clean, safe and inviting environment. Attractive too.
15.	How well they are maintained
16.	Love hiking year round at North Point/McSaubu/Lake Mich beach
17.	Natural Beauty
18.	Beaches
19.	Clean, safe, lake access to everyone.
20.	Beautiful scenery and well maintained.
21.	Depot beach, its history
22.	Natural beauty of each one. I enjoy having a variety to choose from
23.	Amazing offering of things for my kids; the parks are almost always in pristine condition.
24.	Skiing, snowboarding and ice skating available for my kids to enjoy.
25.	I like the parks with basketball courts or soccer fields.

26. Biking trail and Camp McSaubu- however I think they should bring back BB gun and archery
27. Everything
28. I love the City golf course and my family and I play it as often as we can. My kids learned to play golf there and now I hope my grandchildren will in the future.
29. There locations. No matter where you are in the city you are always near a park. They are easy to access, clean and functional.
30. Traditional parks, waterfront amenities, easy access.
31. Clean
32. Availability of public waterfront areas.
33. The downtown area, especially the trout stream.
34. Can choose a park depending on the weather. Too windy at Michigan beach, go to Depot
35. The beauty
36. Variety of beautiful natural areas -- woods, dunes, water -- and access to them.
37. Here's what I like best: they are beautiful and close to home.
38. The beaches, but they need to be cleaned up especially Michigan beach the most used beach.
39. The views
40. Lake access Walking and bike trails
41. Variety
42. Natural settings, summer offerings for kids, downtown access
43. That they are well maintained
44. The variety of options.
45. Park availability.
46. The untouched and natural areas.
47. Many options
48. Very nice dog walking areas.
49. The varied kinds of facilities
50. There are a wide variety and they are spread throughout the Charlevoix area
51. I like all of it, but if I have to pick I would say Mt McSaubu. It's fantastic in the summer and winter. I know it has not made money for years, but some things are just worth paying for. The kids of this community deserve it and it's something that makes Charlevoix unique.
52. clean
53. Concerts.
54. The variety. I feel like we live in heaven with all of the different options available.
55. The variety
56. That there is interest and availability
57. I like the wide variety of parks and recreation opportunities the City provides. The downtown is so picturesque, in large part, due to the parks and green space fronting Round Lake. How different our town would look if the east side of Bridge Street were shoulder-to-shoulder buildings like the west!
I also like that the City has done a good job of providing public facilities and access in balance with being responsible with taxpayer dollars and public property. The City should maintain control of its properties and not relinquish control to groups that do not have to answers to voters or taxpayers.
58. You can relax and have fun. They are very clean
59. variation of the system
60. I think parks are great. Need to maintain what we have first before adding more - like the city tennis courts!
61. the beauty
62. Always close proximity to water, safe, ease of access, clean and maintained
63. Close to the water
64. Walking to boats. Concerts in the park.
65. Spacious, entertainment
66. They are very well maintained
67. I like that they are spread out through the town (north side, downtown, south side).
68. Lakeshore access. Trails for bicycling including mountain biking at Mt. McSaubu.
69. The water!

70.	I just love this area and like being able to enjoy all of the seasons.
71.	well spaced around the city and lots to do
72.	I love the ski hill!! And the amazing beaches
73.	natural areas and open space
74.	The beautiful views wherever you go.
75.	Ferry Beach including basketball courts
76.	They are kept up very well
77.	natural beauty
78.	Access, restrooms
79.	Mutt mitts. We usually bring our dog. Water tower park is very nice with a lot to use and do. My McSauba is very natural and beautiful.
80.	Beaches and swimming.
81.	There are many compared to other cities/towns. Many options for my children to play. Many beaches.
82.	Mt. McSauba snowboarding lessons was awesome for my daughter, she thoroughly enjoyed it and would love to go again next year. We also love the sledding hill, Michigan Beach, Ferry Beach, and of course East park for festivals and entertainment.
83.	The Acessibility.
84.	I enjoy the various parks to enjoy summer with friends and family.
85.	Relaxation.
86.	Convenience
87.	Beaches
88.	The areas are clean and well maintained. Many activities for all ages.
89.	Picnic areas
90.	This is such a beautiful place. People will enjoy it no matter what is done.
91.	We love the city golf course
92.	The variety of parks we have give a diversity for people and the ability to enjoy their individual needs. Ferry and MI Beaches have playgrounds and sand, Depot has smaller playground and a quieter atmosphere and the McSauba beach is more rustic and natural. I would discourage the lake parks to be built exactly the same.
93.	Variety and access to beach, trails, and waterways.
94.	Available
95.	The numerous activities that are available to the Charlevoix community.
96.	Clean
97.	open space to enjoy
98.	Water and view access
99.	I like that we have public beaches I like that we have a golf course I like East Park
100.	I like the way we use the space we have in the parks. The disc golf course was a nice addition for younger people, and should be the cement pads need to be completed. The downtown parks and beaches are beautiful and don't need any updating for summer activities.
101.	East park is beautiful and a destination in itself. I like the bike paths but they could be enhanced and extended to allow bicycling through town. I love all the natural greenery the parks provide - seems a respite from all the commotion. I really appreciate the concerts on Thursdays at East Park!
102.	Ferry Beach and east park. My grandkids love the geyser display.
103.	I enjoy walking/strolling in the parks with my husband and dog. We stop to relax and 'people watch'. It's wonderful to see families playing together. We also enjoy the concerts and events in the parks. There is always something going on downtown in East Park, making it a fun place to be.
104.	Music at East park Bike trails Beaches
105.	Water access
106.	The beach areas and the nature trails at Mt McSauba.
107.	The variety that is available. Each park offers something different than the others, so if my family is looking for warmer water and a more family friendly beach we consider Depot beach, but if we want to be near the channel and on Lake Michigan we go to Lake Michigan beach. Mt. McSauba has nice trails, while Ferry beach has a good pavilion. Every beach is unique and not to far from the city, which is awesome.
108.	Water views - lots of neighborhood parks in lieu of a few large ones

109.	Nice variety of parks and most highlight the natural beauty of the area. The lawn at East Park is well maintained. Please don't overdevelop the parks at the expense of greenspace.
110.	They're beauty.
111.	Convenience. No fee.
112.	The variety of parks that are available is exceptional for such a small community. Very little is needed, other than minor improvements to restrooms, landscaping and general maintenance. Sidewalk and bike path access is adequate, considering most side streets and shoreline drives have light enough vehicle traffic that bicycle and pedestrian traffic does not cause problems.
113.	the water
114.	In the summer there are so many great parks and beach areas to stay and enjoy. Events and picnics in so many good locations. In the winter there is Mt McSaubia which is so good, so friendly.
115.	Water access; views; playgrounds
116.	enjoyable for any age group. there is always something to do.
117.	Access to water and Bike trails in township
118.	Charlevoix is a beautiful town. It is nice that the parks are maintained. Sunday morning after Venetian one would never guess that there were tens of thousands of people the day prior.
119.	The water access, Pavillion and location to town.
120.	The trails and bike paths. The accessibility of waterfront and parks. The disc golf course.
121.	Beautiful beaches that are free to access.
122.	beautiful scenery. clean parks.
123.	I love that Chalevoix parks work to showcase the beautiful area that we live in and have a variety of opportunities for enjoyment.
124.	The landscape in the parks is well maintained & they are clean. Always impressed with the prompt clean up during Venetian. Great green space downtown
125.	I like the fact that they are all over town and maintained nicely.
126.	The access to water
127.	The variety!
128.	There natural state and the walking areas. Trees and green space.
129.	we are gifted by nature
130.	The golf course!
131.	Our golf course which is a wonderful asset for we residents.
132.	Beautiful!
133.	Bridge park and East park are great. I love the usage of it for Venetian. Music every night and the beer tent is a nice addition! :)
134.	Charlevoix has a lot of beautiful parks & beaches available to use
135.	Love that Charlevoix has SO many beaches that are easily accessible, well-maintained and have nice facilities for parties, picnics and such. Also, enjoy the Park Ave. outdoor space- very nice to have quiet space in any city.
136.	There are many parks and a large variety.
137.	lots of activity and opportunity.
138.	Love Depot Beach because of its history and location. A lot of recreational opportunities are available for a small city.
139.	Being able to use as myself and family and friends need.
140.	We have many, close, and attractive park, beach, and recreation spaces compared to most communities. My family can easily walk or ride a bike to several spots.
141.	For the most part they can be enjoyed by all. I don't think the old water tower area can be made accessible. Except for the tennis court area, I think they are all very well maintained.
142.	great facilities for a city our size
143.	Lots of water access Well maintained
144.	I used to like the open spaces, and the spectacular views of Round lake which are now obscured by "features, memorials and amenities". What does the City of Charlevoix have against open expanses of green grass? Does every square inch have to be developed? Oh well, what's gone is gone. Please no more.
145.	I like that you have a large virility given the seasons we enjoy here in the north. I do think that the maintenance personnel taking care of grounds though need to have closer supervision to provide for better looking Parks. East Park is Beautiful, green grass ok bathrooms, and decent entertainment. Bath rooms at Ferry Beach are discussing, if you are not going in

them you need to start, they are grouse. I like that you have built infrastructure at the Ball Parks and Ski Hill but the length of use and amount of use is too low for the amount invested in those locations. The hours at the ski hill have been that way except for adding Friday and deleting Wednesday, the same for the last 30 years, they are not working unless it is Ski Lesson nights, other times the hill is Dead. It is a shame driving by the ball fields for three months of Nice weather and only seeing about four weeks of real use. Again a lot of investment for little use.

146. Variety of activities offered.
147. The parks are extremely well maintained!
148. It's well groomed and cared for.
149. I think the golf course and ski hill are amazing benefits of Charlevoix!
150. The looks. The city workers do a fantastic job of keeping the parks maintained.
151. That there are recreational activities available year round.
152. I like that, for such a small town, we do have quite a few little park areas around town.
153. We are lucky to have parks and beaches right in town and we don't have to drive a long distance to enjoy them.
154. Accessible. Are spaced around the city.
155. They are clean and well maintained.
156. I think they are great & well maintained. Family appreciates the positive atmosphere in the mcsauba ski program.
157. It is very welcoming to see people out enjoying the area and walking to and fro.
158. The convenience of them all
159. Clean, conveniently located, restrooms quiet
160. The people
161. Lots to do locally.
162. McSaubia is kid centered and affordable for local children. Wonderful space and staff for kids to hang out in a safe environment.
163. I enjoy having many options for myself and family to enjoy throughout the entire year and changing seasons. Having a young family, what I enjoy most are kid friendly locations to encourage outdoor activities.
164. Clean and kid friendly
165. The music and family entertainment available. They have very community building feel to them.
166. Each beach/destination is a little unique. Having different playgrounds, shorelines, trails etc.
167. We have enough.
168. They are beautiful, large and clean.
169. The parks are beautiful and we have many beaches to enjoy our water.
170. That they are kept virtually spotless after events
171. The Golf course, downtown marina and Michigan Beach are beautifully maintained
172. Art fairs, events, accessibility to water and beaches.
173. Variety of activities and locations
174. The view! This is one of the most beautiful places in the world.
175. Clean most of the time
176. Very welcoming for families
177. East park improvements over the years are nice. Stop now before you do too much. Keep it a simple green space to relax.
178. That we have a parks and rec. depart, the facilities are nice, and accessible.
179. How many there are.
180. The parks are always clean, and there is easy access to every park.
181. Clean and well kept
182. there nice
183. For the most part they are clean
184. Nice and spacious, usually clean, lots of activities.
185. How open they are
186. pretty
187. Variety and spaced throughout the city.
188. well maintained and clean
189. I like that we can all go out whenever we want and enjoy to our doors of charlevoix and I do not agree with 10 o'clock at the dunes because in the middle of summer the sun doesn't set until like 9:30 and it is still light out at 10 so I have gotten locked in and had to walk home.

190.	the grass
191.	everything
192.	Everything is beautiful
193.	I love the wide amounts of open space, peaceful surroundings, and the aesthetically pleasing areas. When you go there, you can simply just relax, and you don't have to worry about doing anything.
194.	I like the wide range of locations.
195.	That they are easy to get too and well took care of
196.	They are easily accessible and spacious.
197.	they are walking distance from many different points of the city and are kept nicely reserved with good care
198.	I like that most are near water, because that is the best resource we have and the biggest tourist attraction.
199.	clean restrooms, minimal liter, wide open, green grass, fountain
200.	Easily accessible disc golf course.
201.	The natural environment and trails that are provided
202.	I love being able to get together with friends.
203.	That is available to everyone and its free to just go and hangout
204.	The views of Charlevoix's beauty
205.	It's peaceful and just depicts Michigan at it's semi-natural state.
206.	They are kept clean and up to date on a weekly basis. They're open 24/7 and easily accessible.
207.	Proper care
208.	They are not cluttered and there are enough scattered throughout the town to choose from.
209.	open areas to mess around in
210.	How nicely they are maintained.
211.	You can hammock there and it's concealed
212.	I like that we have several beaches available for public use, and that there are several places with hiking trails.
213.	The open space to just hangout.
214.	Thats theirs a place in this tourist run city where a person can just lay out on grass or throw/kick a ball around and just not feel crowded.
215.	you can do what ever you want in them
216.	I like the live music at the pavilion in East Park. It adds to the aesthetic of the town, and that is surely something we need.
217.	By the water
218.	The variety of venues, and the mix of developed and not-as-developed locations.
219.	the scenery
220.	the beauty , and the easy access.
221.	I love how people of all ages can enjoy them.
222.	They are pretty and you can do lots of things there
223.	good
224.	How available they are to everyone.
225.	I like that there is enough to do outside and many different activities to do.
226.	I like that the amount of parks and rec we have here.

18. What would you do to improve parks and recreation in Charlevoix?

There were 235 response(s) to this question.

Mt McSauba
 Water Ferry Beach
 Maintained
 Michigan Beach
 Softball Fields
 Restrooms
 Activities
 Better
 Bike Trails
 Community
 Update
 Sand Areas
 Accessible Spet
 Bike Path
 Tennis Courts
 Friendly
 Clean
 Natural
 Park That's
 Ice Rink
 East Park
 Family
 Events
 Parking Spaces
 Life Guards

#	Response
1.	Many of the restroom facilities at the public beaches need to be improved and open longer into the year. It would be great to have some more sidewalks and trails to connect our existing assets. Connect township Rec areas to city sidewalks.
2.	Parks and Rec should be more involved within the community. Offer additional programing year round.
3.	Lifeguards are a must
4.	The reatroom conditions in a lot of public spaces are very poor. And not kept clean at all. Especially at the beaches.
5.	Nicer bathroom facilities. Concession stand at Depot Beach.
6.	Life guards
7.	I feel the loss of the lifeguards at the beaches. Not only were they an important safety factor but they helped enforce the preservation of the beaches and equipment that is there. I have seen some abuse of playground equipment and the rules at the beaches.
8.	Update pavilions, update bathrooms at the beaches and keep them clean and supplied with toilet paper, paper towels, etc. Update bathrooms at Mt. McSauba.
9.	I would like to look at improving the lift at Mt McSauba.
10.	Hire the lifeguards back
11.	Ice skating downtown instead of McSauba.
12.	Have more public events
13.	bike path or bike lane all the way into and through town, enclosed dog park/dog run would be great.
14.	TBall games should not begin at 7:30pm and be ending around 8:45 for 5 year olds. 5:30 and 6:30 starts would be much better. No later then 6 & 7. Organization of teams and information flow for practices and games always seems last minute. (flag football & t-ball) Why not post rosters and all schedules online like Charlevoix Soccer, Little League, or Youth Golf do on their sites? Utilize Facebook/Twitter for any weather or scheduling issues like McSauba does...most of the time.
15.	Be more diverse in the groups doing the parks and rec planning.
16.	I think the baseball fields need some updating. Seems like the infields should be updated.
17.	More green space
18.	Na
19.	Add public restroom at McSauba (not portapotty) for use after hours/ when lodge closed

20.	Bring lifeguards back to all public beaches
21.	nothing
22.	More lake access to everyone.
23.	Add a dog park and more walking/biking trails
24.	Keep pets to a certain area. I have a child who is afraid of animals.
25.	The recreation activities organized by the city are very enjoyable but they often give little advance notice of dates and details. More organization and publicity would be helpful. I'd also love to see them find a way to offer a wider variety of opportunities. I'm very impressed by the way Zeeland, MI has offered a huge variety of sports/activities by being the clearinghouse or contractor for citizens/teachers ect to act as subcontractors with class offerings. No extra staff needed; just a change in how they view what their role is.
26.	Improve ferry beach. The pier being closed off looks awful. Either fix it or get rid of it.
27.	Enhance the parks, i.e. new basketball hoops.
28.	The bathrooms at the ferry Beach Park by the marina are very poor. Frequently there is no toilet paper in the women's restroom
29.	Add more
30.	I am very happy with the parks and don't see any needed improvements.
31.	The city needs a full time, degreed parks & Recreation director. Charlevoix is way behind in providing multi-use, non-motorized trails and walkways. Park Ave. especially in the summer months is downright dangerous for bikers, runners and walkers.
32.	Paved bike path
33.	Great as is. Continue to maintain well.
34.	Crosswalks for pedestrians on US31. I've seen several close calls where pedestrians have walked right in front of traffic. They think they have the right way but there are no set times when they can cross. Mainly the crosswalk at Olson's and 31 and the South side of the bridge.
35.	More restrooms
36.	Sidewalks and bike trails -- it's dangerous to walk or bike in many areas of the city and outskirts . Also, please repair the wooden steps that provide access along and to Michigan Beach. They not only provide access, they are/were an attractive and rustic amenity. In addition, it's my understanding that the Recreation Director is a part-time position. To give parks the proper attention, I believe it should be a full-time, 'degreed' position.
37.	pls improve city tennis courts, they are a disaster and accident waiting to happen. We play at the township courts.
38.	The parks themselves could use improvement, but more than that, we MUST improve access. I live in the Charlevoix Estates on M-66, and there is no safe way to access Ferry Beach or the downtown area. We can only go to Fisherman's Island along the snowmobile trail or go to Michigan Beach along that same trail. Even so, this necessitates crossing Marion Center (no pedestrian lights) and US 31, which has no pedestrian lights. Particularly when it comes to the highway by the Estates, including the post office and the K-Mart plaza, a pedestrian crossing IS A NECESSITY. I want to walk to Ferry Beach with my one-year-old daughter in her stroller, but I have no way to warn or stop traffic on M-66, which travels in excess of the posted speed limit of 45 MPG. Before we add amenities that our community cannot safely access, an investment needs to be made in making access safer for pedestrians.
39.	Clean up this whole town. It's gross. Also make Venetian shorter again.
40.	Food trucks
41.	Bathrooms room for all people
42.	More physically impaired accessible playground equipment
43.	New playground equipment at Mt. McSauba;
44.	More weekly maintenance.
45.	Ferry beach is in desperate need of a bigger, newer play ground for children. New swings would also be nice. This beach/park is my least favorite. Also, a better sledding hill would good. I have been at Mt McSauba for many years with my children and now grandchildren and I am concerned with the lack of ski patrol in the hill. There are too many skiers, snowboarders and bump jumpers out of control and narrowly missing each other.
46.	Increase physical accessibility to the restrooms and music venues. There are too few parking spaces and inadequate bathroom facilities for persons with disabilities.
47.	Snowmaking for sledding Ice rink in east park
48.	not much.
49.	Michigan beach needs to be maintained better along the wall, grass areas, cement steps. The beach cleaner machine needs to utilized more. Bring back lifeguards.

50.	Love that ice rink idea. Better rental equipment would be a must. I still love the fire place idea too! Wifi??
51.	East park needs more day to day type use. Right now it is designed around special events and concerts and seems unused at other times.
52.	more family/youth activities at each park to bring more people to the parks and get them familiar with the facilities Charlevoix has
53.	You raise seasonal price for boat launch without any form of improvement. Barrier dock lights are out, parking lot is covered in debree and rocks and not enough police presents to check for parking tags
54.	I would utilize the pier at Ferry beach. I would put a railing up and let people walk out on it. I think it would be a nice spot for pictures too. I realize some people could jump over a railing and jump in the water, but they can jump that barrier now any ways.
55.	Outdoor fireplace in East Park
56.	Before anything else, you need to improve the traffic congestion problem during the summer months in Charlevoix. Block two sides of the cross walks on Bridge and Clinton Streets, and alternate the ones blocked by weeks, otherwise the merchants on one side will surely complain! I do not come to downtown CVX in summer because of the TRAFFIC! Fix it!!!
57.	better parking for handy cap and restrooms
58.	Improve ways to get through town. It's to congested during the summer. Put more parking in. Put carnival back by beaver islander. So you can park. Put a food place at depot beach.
59.	Just continue the great maintenance.
60.	Update Mt McSauba
61.	more picnic tables and grills at Lake Michigan Beach Park, improved bathrooms at Ferry Beach (located at the concession building), hand rails on the steps leading to the beach at Michigan Beach , better parking at Depot
62.	For the most part, I think the focus should be on maintaining and improving what the City already has. Mt. McSauba is in dire need of some attention - it's a wonderful facility, but it really needs updating and maintenance. I do not think the City should give up control of the Mt. McSauba recreation area. We have heard that the County is considering a new building that would house a senior center. If that comes to fruition, it may be an opportunity for the City to acquire the current senior center property.
63.	include the city golf course, and share the costs.
64.	Repair the city tennis courts. More entertainment in the park.
65.	just keep clean and available to all
66.	Sinage, incorporate art or history.
67.	More activities near water , concerts , ect .
68.	Can I help to fix up the landscaping at the 'welcome to Charlevoix' sign next to the bridge. It's an eye sore and all visitors take their pictures in front of it! I'll help design, plant, etc. Lake Mi beach needs better playground equipment.
69.	More shady areas to sit and read.
70.	Na
71.	Not have a festival in them every weekend
72.	More bike racks at the parks/playgrounds (i.e, Depot Beach). Increased access to launch kayaks, paddle boards on the north side. Option to buy an affordable season family pass for the ice skating rink.
73.	Take part in volunteering for trail maintenance. Increase trails for mountain biking.
74.	Softball field needs improvement. Announcer needed at games. Concessions need improvement. Too many arts/craft shows in the parks. Is it necessary EVERY weekend? Move venetian beer tent out of East park...relocate to bridge park (if needed at all). It's not conducive to family activities.
75.	The parks are great as they are!
76.	I would resurface city tennis courts!
77.	provide recycling and more stations where they offer dog poop bags and garbage cans. Also hand sanitizer by these garbage cans.
78.	enhance their attractions and make them look more attractive
79.	We REALLY need a bike/walking path down the west side of mercer, possibly connecting with the school or at least to the bike path. There are SO many people using that road for exercise and biking. The cars drive very fast and make it dangerous for pedestrians.
80.	Eliminate the disc golf course at Mt.McSauba.Provide a conservation easement on Lake Michigan Beach and Mt.McSauba.
81.	Nothing

82.	Update some playgrounds. Add more things for the teens/ young adults.
83.	classic car show
84.	More nature trails
85.	cleaner facilities, bathrooms
86.	Better playground equipment at Michigan Beach
87.	A few items in the park just need maintenance and would love to see it kept up for continued use.
88.	I am unsure, but I would be willing to help with improvement if there were feasible options for helping.
89.	Do you send out emails for programs registration deadlines or upcoming events? I've never seen one. It would be great to get it delivered to my inbox! I'd also love to know more about places to go snowshoeing or running. Do you have trail maps?
90.	Improve the boating side of Ferry Beach. Grass and weeds way too high.
91.	Return the lighthouse color to white. It cannot be seen easily from out in lake Michigan.
92.	More things to do at certain parks and more parks to keep the population of people there at a low number.
93.	Too many events.
94.	More walking paths
95.	Restrooms
96.	More restrooms, more signage to local places
97.	Tennis courts in bad shape Improved playground equipment Replace merry go round on Mi. Beach.
98.	I am really fine with the way it is now.
99.	I applaud that there will be renovations at Michigan Beach for the handicapped and particularly the young children that are handicapped.
100.	Tom, as you will now know, I am paralyzed. I would love some more wheelchair friendly things, mats to the beach, etc. Even more than that, making the downtown accessible in the winter would be a major improvement. That is just as important as parks in the summer. Getting downtown is part of the recreation in Charlevoix, yet in the winter, the city does nothing to make it possible to get around in a wheelchair. I can go to two restaurants, Kelseys and the Weathervane-- because they have their own parking. I have to call ahead to see a movie. The city does a terrible job clearing snow. Then, parking: If you have a van accessible spot, put hash marks on the passenger side---we do not get out on the driver's side. thanks, Dick
101.	Have price for activities for township residents, especially when they live right next to destinations (i.e. Mt. McSauba)
102.	Add more senior activities.
103.	Make the girls softball Fields safer to play on
104.	More bike paths leading into the city, particularly along M-66.
105.	life guards
106.	More sand areas
107.	Move some of them out of downtown--there are far too many things in downtown and it ruins ingress/egress for residents Rebuild the Golf Club clubhouse Upgrade Mt. McSauba--get some adult friendly lift mechanism in place Drastically upgrade the wayfaring signage in the whole city and it's parks, and the golf course
108.	The only park that has a use in the winter is Mt McSauba. There needs to be a reason to go downtown. A small skate park in the downtown area will spread people out a bit, and be an attractive addition when people drive through town and see a light up rink with some people skating. Just seeing ANY activity downtown would be a welcome sight. We need to have safer and better biking pathways in the downtown area. Bikers not allowed on the sidewalk, and not much room for them on the street. We have amazing pathways to get to the outskirts of Charlevoix, but not much downtown.
109.	Although I don't use the ski hill or skating rink myself, I think they need updating and improving. The Charlevoix Twp Park on mc Sauba could use better trails, less free dogs (why are the dog rules in town and here never enforced?), and some beach maintenance.
110.	Connect bike path along 32 rather than on surface roads by Mt Mcsauba
111.	More beach amenities
112.	I think the lifeguards at Michigan Beach were great. I miss them being there to monitor beach users for safety and dogs on the beach.
113.	The facilities could be improved at the parks. I also think the trail north of town should continue along the main road into town. I spent over 5 years working downtown and many people don't know how to navigate the bike trail outside of town, they think it ends. So maybe better signage and whatnot.

114.	Allow for better dog walking and inclusion of pets in family outings
115.	Lake Michigan beach is very rocky. Other lakeshore communities with beaches have a beach comber or manicure their beaches better.
116.	Specified dog area.
117.	Promote them to our visitors. Some visitors from outside communities may not be aware of or able to locate some of the parks, such as McSaubia, Shanahan, Depot. Promoting the waterfront parks, in particular, may bring in more visitors and revenue, leading to resources for park maintenance.
118.	improve the paths and access to the water, maintained and washed out
119.	Branding. I think there are many assets but not coherent under one brand. There's no signage of what is available and what people could do, unless you're a local with a lot of experience in the area. Connectivity. I think there is little to no connectivity with Boyne, Petoskey and East Jordan, so whoever is visiting those cities have no interaction of what's going on in Charlevoix. Except the lake that connects all cities. Competitive races. Charlevoix could be the perfect location for so many events: running, cycling, triathlon, open water swimming, sailing, but it's very difficult to train or public infrastructure.
120.	Ferry Beach needs better tree and grounds management; seem overgrown and unmanaged. Drainage poor in some areas and turf inferior. Lake Michigan beach needs sand containment work. Blowing off the beach all year long.
121.	some of the trees at Ferry Beach should be trimmed up.
122.	Bike trails
123.	Ice rink downtown!!
124.	The bike path to Petoskey needs enhancement from the northside start into Charlevoix. Waller Rd needs either paint or a designated bike lane. Bike lanes along Dixon or Michigan Ave leading in/out (north) would be beneficial.
125.	Clean up across from Park Ave to make Michigan Beach bigger...it's most popular and that's a great hillside for sunset trails and picnics.
126.	Better trash collection. There is a bit of s litter problem along the more remote trails.
127.	Make beaches, skatepark, etc. stay open later Have no attendant working at the skatepark and make it stay open 24/7 Better shoppers docks at the marina.
128.	get more park space. there is too much that is privately owned. give it back to the people!
129.	Parks could be more accessible in the winter- and more bike lanes or paths would be hugely beneficial. Charlevoix could be a town that is very accessible via bicycle if there were more safe options on where to ride-especially downtown since bikes are prohibited on sidewalks.
130.	Infrastructure needs more attention - Tennis courts are poorly maintained; skatepark needs some love; golf course could be more of an asset for the City; volleyball court at Michigan beach not well cared for. Also basketball hoop at MI Beach in poor shape (make a court there?) What about dragging sand volleyball courts on MI & Ferry beach? Mt McSaubia is under utilized amenity & could become more of an asset to residents - summer bike park; zip line; splash pad; alpine slide, adventure course.... Bike path to Harbor Springs is a great asset but it dead ends in the outskirts of town. There is no signage to tell you to keep going to get to downtown to visit shops & restaurants. Need to extend bike path down Waller Road and/or create bike lanes. City should promote bike use from outlying areas on the trail - downtown should be a bike destination for those using the path.
131.	I think the city does s nice job as is. My downstate residence & town is in poor shape by comparison.
132.	Nothing
133.	More green space, more accessible parking and viewing areas
134.	parks and recreation should not be a second thought for any community...it is why we pay taxes. it is a part of a vibrant community and since no one is doing a good job pushing for economic development properly...we can at least show pride in our natural resources
135.	Put a dog park in a non busy area by the lake. Dogs do not belong on the grassy area of our beaches or on the sand. They were never on the beaches when we had life guards. We should have life guards. Too much activity on the beaches today. Kayaks, sailboards, paddle boards, are often in the swim areas, and kids are swimming beyond the buoys.
136.	Beach accessibility for handicap people. Beach buggies with large wheels to maneuver through sand.
137.	I would improve the kids softball fields. They have been a little neglected over the years. Infields are hard and uneven in places. Outfields are bumpy too. The facilities are quite lacking too for as much as the fields are used by the community. Also the beaches are kind of "rustic".. Which is code for not that great. Grass isn't always green and kind of hard to walk on

	at times. They have such natural beauty if we spent a little more time on them they could be great!! Ferry and depot could use the most attention I think.
138.	Tennis Courts are unsafe with large cracks in courts and knee high weeds. Pickleball lines should be on courts-it is the fastest growing sport in America. The signs at the tennis courts are awful. The areas bordering both sides of Pine River Channel need to be maintained better-weeds are atrocious-especially around the Welcome to Charlevoix sign In the Spring-large piles of weeds sat at Ferry Beach parking lot for over a month-so better park clean up
139.	Improved signage to get to beaches; additional facilities (bathrooms) at Mt. McSaubach beach/frisbee golf/trail area. That is a wonderful area-- with the trails and dunes, especially for kids.
140.	Allocate some of the trucks with trailer parking spots at ferry beach for handicapped spots because that parking lot is closer to the water and easier for people to access the beach.
141.	Tennis courts need to be improved and more courts added. Mt. McSaubach could use more snow makers - I think they may have just gotten some. Buffer at bottom of mt mcsaubach sledding hill. Improve mcsaubach ice rink instead of putting one downtown. Mc saubach is a great place - make it better and appreciate it.
142.	Affordable dockage and more dockage for locals with small boats
143.	Keep up the good work. Don't need a conservance in Mt McSuba.
144.	Designate the Elm Street tennis courts for Pickleball while designating the Shanahan tennis courts for tennis. Adding the pickleball lines to the Shanahan tennis courts is very distracting and almost makes them unusable by more serious tennis players.
145.	Maintain/replace/renew what we have to maintain a high level, it is already quite good. Consider possibilities if the Ferry avenue equipment facility were relocated and that area devoted to recreation. Facilitate enhancements to the sailing program now located at Depot.
146.	I would make at least 3 of the tennis courts into 6 pickleball courts. The current nets can be used as ball stops from one court to another. Maybe keep one as tennis and pickleball, so kids on the south side of US 31 can have access to a court without having to cross the highway. Also, put lighting up on the courts and at the basketball courts. Upgrade all of the tow lifts at Mt. Mcsawba to t-bar lifts.
147.	Make Hayes tennis courts exclusive to tennis. 2 courts there have pickle ball lines which make them useless for tennis
148.	Why not make the pickle all courts at the city courts and reserve shannahan courts for tennis. The pickle all lines are very disconcerting for tennis play and their court size is not as deep as tennis courts. The city courts are tight against the back fence. To use those for pickle all would be no problem as this sport does not need the depth. They would not run into the back fence trying to return a ball. Also, pickle ball is rarely played. Their lines cause trouble when tournament. Play is scheduled at Shanahan. No one want to play tennis and contend with their line in trying to call a ball.
149.	move kickball courts to the city tennis courts and make the township courts tennis only
150.	Move pickle ball to city courts and make township courts tennis only.
151.	The tennis courts are in terrible shape. Most tennis is played at the township park (Shanahan Field) because the courts there are in much better shape. The city courts are used mostly for pickle ball. Tennis and pickle ball should have separate courts.
152.	Connect the bicycle paths Provide safe connectivity between the paths along Bridge St. or parallel to Bridge St.
153.	Restore and maintain the beach on Michigan beach. It is filthy, not maintained, (can you sweep the sand off of the sidewalks and steps?) and a disgrace. Put up effective wind barriers in the winter to retain at least some of the sand, and replace what may be lost each season. Clean and level the sand for a place for people to sit. Level and extend the sand out and along the shoreline for people and children don't have to try to wade out on rocks first. The list goes on..... Scale back on events. Not every weekend needs them. Change the bridge openings to hourly. The traffic back-ups are out of hand and dangerous.
154.	As I said above, I think the infrastructure is there for the parks, I think with the new Leadership from City Hall some changes needed to be made to allow these facilities move forward. I understand people have been dedicated for years, but their hearts are not into it anymore. People hear and talk about what they here. The folks at the ski hill seem to always be complaining about something as far as the city goes and management. They do not put in the extra effort that could really make it awesome. New Blood could be what it needs, and not the younger generation of the same family. As far as the skate park and ball fields the two are way under used, is that because the sports are failing and a new use of that space needs to be considered? Maybe. Will money fix the problems at these locations, No it will not. What it needs is Heart and Love for the activities and the excitement and following will happen naturally.
155.	Any improvements to a given Park should include emphasis on use by families, rather than individuals or a certain age group.

156.	I am very pleased with the parks in general and don't have specific recommendations at this time. Playground equipment is always important for our young families and visitors to our community.
157.	There is nothing I would do to improve things except to make sure that the workers are well compensated.
158.	Bathrooms in all parks need updating.
159.	Enhance and promote bike lanes and safe bike routes. Create leagues and incentives (deals, events, theme days, food trucks, "adult beverages") for use of the municipal golf course.
160.	Nothing
161.	Additional seating at performances. Many cannot see or hear away from the stage. It should have been sloped further back toward the north!
162.	The charge to use the ice rink makes it difficult for the family to go together.
163.	Man the restrooms better try to dissuade abuse.
164.	Update equipment allow for more variety of activities
165.	Improve lodge at my mcsauba
166.	Redo ferry beach. Take out blue dock and replace with sandy waterfront. That dock and rocks are a hazard to the kids. I do not frequent like I used to because of kids climbing and playing on dock and rocks.
167.	Lower the price of the skating rink or include the Mt McSauba season pass to include skating
168.	The park already added by the Charlevoix Public Library is a wonderful addition and perfectly located to encourage more play and gives an incredible option for parents to give children a space to lose a little energy between activities such as the Farmer's Market and story time at the library. I strongly encourage a dog friendly park for the exact same reasoning as well as a safer path around the city for bicyclists.
169.	Better areas for children 10 and under - All year long activities
170.	There are so many that I've never used it don't think I am best to answer that.
171.	Identify them better to the residents of Charlevoix. Some of the parks referenced in previous questions, I've never heard of. I'm 3rd generation Charlevoix resident. :/
172.	Make Michigan beach and McSauba conservancies
173.	Have more Police visible during events.
174.	Better rest room facilities, outdoor shower, more bike pathways
175.	I would like to see bike paths extended from the castle into town.
176.	Be on an organizing committee?!?
177.	We need a recreation millage tied into the school facilities to maximize both use and efficiency!!!! They should all be community access
178.	The amount of winter events should increase
179.	Grandkids miss the "spin around" that was removed from Michigan Beach
180.	Free use of facilities, including ski hill, by student groups and teams for practices, events, etc. We are all one community.
181.	Proper care and maintenance of facilities
182.	Brochures, signage, or other improved public notification of park availability and uses. There are a lot of public spaces I was not aware are for public usage because they are not labeled or advertised.
183.	Ferry beach is family friendly and michigan beach is more for teens. Better playground equipment would help with that...
184.	A little more toddler friendly
185.	Improve the ball fields so Charlevoix can host playoff games more often.
186.	Would like to see the price not be as high for non city residents to use the facilities (esp the pool since its outside the city), better structure to the swim lesson and. Knowledge of the lifeguards, access to the website and it's programs, hard to navigate at times, more younger kid programs.
187.	Modernize
188.	Have the bathrooms open all year.
189.	Just by keeping the parks updated
190.	More activities possibly
191.	more baseball stuffs
192.	Better equipment
193.	make a park thats dog friendly, improve the skate park
194.	Nothing
195.	more room
196.	Less planned activities.

197.	nothing its good
198.	nothing
199.	I would add some WW2 aspects to the parks.
200.	water grass
201.	idk
202.	Add more areas for families and dogs
203.	Well, because I have a family members at a young age who have trouble with potty training I would prefer it if we could have more restrooms near the parks.
204.	I would provide more activities.
205.	Make more teen related things
206.	Nothing
207.	signs around the city for navigation; this would increase visitors and reduce confusion
208.	I would make more signs or have some brochures available with a map on them available around town, because I am frequently asked by tourists what are good, kid friendly or dog friendly parks and beaches.
209.	trees for hamocking
210.	A DESIGNATED HAMMOCKING AREA
211.	add camping spaces to some of the natural parks
212.	I love to see more events going on! I love seeing the town come together and were such a small town that its nice to be able to see everyone more often.
213.	Just keeping it more clean
214.	Bathroom cleanliness
215.	Better grass to walk on.
216.	Enhanced clean-up on the bathroom facilities (toilet paper, floors, sinks, etc).
217.	Walking and Bike paths
218.	I would add recycling bins as well as clean the parks and bathroom facilities more often.
219.	bathroom cleanliness
220.	Add irrigation and improve landscaping, i.e depot beach
221.	Allow hammocks everywhere
222.	I think a location for stargazing would be nice, as well as places to enjoy activities at night past 8:00 PM.
223.	Help brainstorm ideas
224.	Remove a lot of the weeds and overgrown areas, and make the buildings behind the bridge street buildings little more cleaner/ nicer. More family friendly.
225.	add more of them to the community
226.	I would introduce something old or something new. A diving board of a water slide would go along fine with the water in our beautiful town. Something that residents, and tourist can sink their toes into.
227.	Get new equipment
228.	Work to improve the connections between the parks and green spaces with biking and hiking lanes/trails.
229.	nothing
230.	More community events. It's a small town but the relations between the different ages is bad. We don't communicate with our elders of Charlevoix or even just middle aged adults. We all basically live in our own worlds.
231.	make more space
232.	nothing
233.	Like stated before, adding to the already existing parks to make them even better. Also an ice rink closer to town.
234.	The bathrooms need to be cleaned more regularly along with making them more easy for people to get to. Plus there needs to be things add that when the weather is crappy for people to be able to do other things inside besides going to the movies
235.	I think painting and cleaning the parks up would be good enough.

19. What new recreation programs would you like to see in Charlevoix?

There were 161 response(s) to this question.



#	Response
1.	Bring swim lessons back to the beach, adult tennis classes
2.	I would love to see the ice skating rink and more winter activities promoted in the downtown area. Other towns near us have a steady stream of visitors in winter and I feel we could too.
3.	Worry about the ones that are already in place. The ball fields and restrooms there are gross, the concession stand is not open during softball season.
4.	I do not believe the city of Charlevoix is lacking in this area, the city provides a great amount of recreation for our residents.
5.	If you got rid of the lifeguards because of budget cuts, how could you think of starting any new programs?
6.	Sporting tournaments or annual games for the public to compete in
7.	archery classes for kids
8.	Winter basketball league.
9.	A playground
10.	Na
11.	none

12.	Kayaking, paddle board, canoe.
13.	As above, the sky is the limit if you could find a way to harness the amazing creativity and experience that's in this town; if it was easy to advertise a class through the city rec dept, I think we'd have wide and wonderful opportunities to learn and create and play.
14.	More basketball/soccer 3v3 programs
15.	Soccer golf at Charlevoix City Coarse
16.	I would really like the city to take a look at the summer camp at McSaubia. I feel it would be helpful to use a focus group to help with program development. I find that the camp hours change from year to year making it difficult to make a summer plan. I have found the camp this year to be more rigid than in years past and focused on ease for the staff as opposed to focused on the children. I also and disappointed in the TBall schedule this year. Again, I feel that if the recreation department reached out to a few parents they would have quickly heard that plan games from 7:30-8:30 at night for 5 year olds were not preferable.
17.	A formal trail and walkway master plan, and a strong effort to implement and build ASAP.
18.	Can't think of anything.
19.	Shuffle board
20.	Much better bike trails -- the Lake-to-Lake is not adequate and Charlevoix is not bike friendly. Also, more nature programs for all ages. Thank you!
21.	More exercise classes.
22.	N/a
23.	Skating lessons, art/crafts sessions
24.	Shuffleboard courts
25.	Yoga; zumba classes; aerobics;
26.	Adult sport classes and events. I have to go to other cities for this. Especially evening or weekend stuff. Not just for retired people.
27.	None.
28.	More pickleball courts and better maintained courts at the Elm St location
29.	all great.
30.	Initiate Freeride program at ski hill. Make sure instructors wear helmets. They are the example. Lids on Kids program.
31.	Music lessons for kids...
32.	geocaching, other ideas that get more youth in the parks
33.	possibly some type of 3on3 pond hockey league in the winter, assuming we have a rink (preferably downtown).
34.	More winter activities in East Park
35.	Dog park. Disc golf. Ice Skating downtown. Bike path.
36.	Better tennis program for kids. Once a week is not a good program for us. A one or two week camp would be much better.
37.	shuffle board, more emphasis on bringing baseball and softball teams back to the Carpenter field that left for East Jordan, swimming lessons at Ferry Beach, weekly art in the park at Ferry or Michigan
38.	I do not feel there is a serious need to expand the recreational offerings at this time. Community gym space would be ideal, but funding is always an issue. Is there an opportunity for the City to acquire the old high school for a community gym? Although there is no space in your survey to provide this information - keep in mind that there are many City taxpayers who are not residents of the City. For example, although we live in Charlevoix Township, we own property in the City, run businesses and work in the City, and pay taxes in the City. Our family and our guests spend more time at the City's parks and recreation facilities than we do at the Township's. Although we do not get to vote in the City, we feel very connected to and invested in the City.
39.	Dog accessible places
40.	yoga
41.	Ice skating downtown. Put a park with basketball courts or something in ugly lot above Oleson's on W Hurlbut
42.	none, we have enough
43.	Improvement on instruction for beginning/young skiers.
44.	Fishing programs
45.	Bring back Shuffelboard!
46.	Na

47.	Kayaking
48.	Programs to get children outside and interacting with nature. It is disheartening to rarely run in to others at the playgrounds/parks during the year.
49.	Bicycling events.
50.	Happy as is :)
51.	I would LOVE to get a dog park here!
52.	spa or yoga facility
53.	Improved playground at Michigan beach
54.	None
55.	Volleyball summer league would be fun.
56.	Yoga
57.	Nothing right now.
58.	Basketball and a gym.
59.	Ice rink downtown
60.	A dog park is much needed!
61.	An ice rink would be great and a dog park!
62.	I would like the family ski passes and skating rink charges at McSaubia lowered so more families could afford winter sports.
63.	Have dancing events.
64.	I would like to see flexibility type adult "playground equipment" for upper body, etc. Maybe in the Michigan Beach overlook trail area or at McSaubia.
65.	No additional programs
66.	Rowing facilities
67.	Beach Volleyball and Adult Tennis leagues
68.	Group golf lessons-for adults Bring back the Men's golf league
69.	Fisherman's Island is a great park, and has a great walking path. But, Charlevoix is missing mountain biking/Cross Country Ski paths. Not in the city, but close by. If you look at towns like Bellaire, Marquette, or even remote towns like Copper Harbor, they have great mountain biking and Cross Country Ski trails. I realize this may be a smaller segment of the population, but "if you build it, they will come". Mountain Bikers ride for 2-3 hours, then they head downtown for some food and some craft beer. It's an investment. We don't have room in our current park system for Mountain Biking. Groomed Cross country skiing is only at Mt McSaubia, and is so short, it's not worth the trip. I think Charlevoix should approach Dunmaglas ownership and see if it would be possible to build a mountain biking/Cross Country Ski trail around (but not interfering) that area. I have biked in Marquette and the course goes by a championship golf course, with no issues (that I know of). That area would offer the best place to make a trail in the area, and if done right, would bring people to the area. We need to copy the recreation and direction of both up and coming towns (Bellaire), and College towns. The recreation does not have to be in the City, it just has to be offered a short drive away. Marquette is a great example. They have great hiking, biking, and cross country skiing in the area. That's what active, 20-60 year old people like to do. That is who we want to attract to town to live, have kids, and play here. 1 Big Tennis court at the township is enough. Use the current dilapidated court for Pickleball. Tennis is a sport that was once wildly popular, but not popular any more. We don't need more baseball, or soccer, or even basketball courts. What we have is enough. We need more variety. I play tennis, and there is never a line-up waiting to play at the township court. We need to combine resources between City and Township to offer many things in both areas, and not over-lap effort or facilities. I would love to help out with any effort to bring these things to town. I have offered many times, have run golf tournaments and donated 2 bike racks to downtown. And it was the biggest pain in the butt I have ever experienced. We just wanted to make some cool looking bike racks that would say "We Welcome Bikers". That's it. And it turned in to an arguing city council that said the rack I ended up having to design myself was either too artistic, or not artistic enough. Then a design committee gets together and chooses the most mundane, plain bike rack possible for the next one. Now we are done putting in effort to build another plain bike rack for the city. That's been Charlevoix for the last 20 years. And that's exactly why we are watching towns like Boyne City and Bellaire pass us by as better places for young people to live. Jeffery Porter mentality. Jeffery Porter results.
70.	A free or small cost yoga program on the beach or in the park. A decent gym! Pickle ball courts.
71.	Downtown ice skating
72.	And ice skating rink in East Park FOR SURE!!!! I think it would be really lovely and it would bring locals downtown which

	could improve business during the slow months.
73.	More AFFORDABLE small boat dockage!!!!
74.	Can't really think of one. Connect or enhance the bike trail to bring it downtown. I love the idea of more bike lanes, trails, and making all of the town area more walkable.
75.	In Incline Village, NV they have a walking path with a work out circuit. Each stop is labeled with a workout for three levels of difficulty. When you complete your walk, you've completed the circuit. It's open to all, pets alike.
76.	Again, we already have a great variety of opportunities here. Things like the disc golf course at McSaubra draw a younger demographic than I have traditional seen utilizing that property, for example. It's great to see them out enjoying nature and community, while participating in an activity that they find fun. We should continue to explore other, similar activities that will draw a variety of visitors and residents out to our parks.
77.	1. Create a program for Open Water Swimming. The lake is perfect for world-class training and competition. From Ferry beach to Boyne city can reach 25 km (one of the official distances for open water swim). 2. Make the Cranberry Cup part of the city calendar. Cranberry Cup is a sailing competition of J/22's on Thanksgiving weekend on Round Lake. 3. Bike paths between Charlevoix and Traverse City, Charlevoix and East Jordan, Charlevoix and Boyne City 4. Create a long-distance triathlon race (Ironman) in Charlevoix, and enabling the sport in the Charlevoix Public School System.
78.	Real Pickleball courts.
79.	We love Charlevoix because so much is already available. About the only thing I can think of would be temporary boat slips if you want to come into town (by boat) for dinner, etc.
80.	Youth hockey on new rink
81.	Electric bikes are the new upcoming thing. It would be fun to get more people out on the trail with ebikes or a public bike use option.
82.	Community kids yoga More kids exercise events Disc golf and hiking and fishing events
83.	Disc golf. Public art display?
84.	dog park!!!
85.	Just visiting for 10 days or so - not likely to participate. Glad to see you are trying to improve recreational opportunities in town. Dream big.... City owned Recreation Center?
86.	There is so much to do in Charlevoix- I never have enough time to do and see everything there is to do and see!
87.	Nothing
88.	Shuffleboard courts
89.	Sailing lessons for seniors!
90.	Bring back shuffle board to East Park!
91.	no new recreation program unless there is widespread community support. Here's the deal...If charlevoix wants to attract business and young familys to support the bond issues we face we must recognize our assets. Recreational opportunities abound in this community...we should neither limit nor encourage new programs...what we should do is support the ones we have and prepare for future requirements. This means not limiting our choices in the Mt mcsaubra recreational area. I would add that it is apparent to me that the street dept is over budgeted and i could save the community thousands by eliminating a few costly programs to help the recreation dept. Here are a few suggestions... Stop city plowing of sidewalks on antrim street to the hospital. what is the reason for this ? no one walks to the hospital in the winter. the city also plows the side walks on michigan ave no one even lives there in the winter. There's no coordination of street sweeping ,leaf vacuuming or branch grinding.....its a mess that goes on non stop...you don't have to organize the community you need to organize the dept. same goes with all these letters that zoning admin is sending out...you limit when people can put stuff on the curb you also limit what people can recycle so the next time that waste contract comes up you can bet american waste is going to pile on the demands for more money..no where in the nuisance ordinance does it address the timeliness of household waste at the curb and I am sure the reason that we offer it is to keep yards clean. So here it is...The people in this community see city govt. waste daily and we see city administration trying to make our little town a suburban delight with all the nice amenities that when taken as a whole deviate from what we should be...and that is a community with a future...one with young vibrant growing families and jobs...and if you people would stop wasting money on cutesy stupid improvements like the intersection of clinton and park ..maybe we could get some jobs and affordable housing and young familys. That is all
92.	Hockey

93.	Swim lessons at the beach in the summer. Seems strange to have all this beautiful water & beaches but no one teaching people how to use it (although the sailing program is really nice that 4H does).
94.	Special olympics sports.
95.	Yoga, tai chi classes
96.	What we have is great now.
97.	I would like to see Charlevoix establish a community sailing program that would provide and maintain a small fleet of sailboats for use by the general public. There are many people that cannot afford to own a sailboat or are not in town long enough to warrant owning a boat, but who would gladly pay a reasonable fee to be able to sail during their summer vacation. A community sailing club could also provide lessons for children and adults and introduce sailing to those in the community who do not have access to a boat.
98.	Maybe more snow shoeing activities and more grooming on the cross country trails.
99.	None that I can think of
100.	NONE Carefully assess and cull the ones you have.
101.	None, We need to rebuild what we have now before considering adding more programs and spreading current employees thinner over more areas.
102.	Coordination of group trips to Local/State/National Parks. Also, group trips to local/college/professional athletic events.
103.	NA
104.	Would love to see a skate rink in East Park. More activities to bring people into town in the winter.
105.	I'd like to see more city sponsored leagues such as adult co-ed softball, tennis or golf. Also maybe a kayak rental station at one of the beaches. A dog park too :)
106.	Ice rink and shuffleboard downtown.
107.	Shuffleboard. Miss them in East Park.
108.	Things for younger children
109.	?
110.	A community space where exercise classes, dance lessons or performances, and teen dances can be held.
111.	I can't think of anything at this time.
112.	Clubs/organized groups...walking- running Or ultimate frisbee league.
113.	Ice skating downtown I remember ice skating in the lawn area off if May street by the old high school. It was free, it had a spot to get warm and it was safe
114.	More "week long" recreational opportunities for kids ... 1/2 day canoe camp, wake boarding, paddle boarding, learning about the woods(insects, animals, plants), pickle board, tennis, etc. (4-h sailing is great!)
115.	None. I think what we have is sufficient for the size of our community.
116.	Kids and adult programming in the parks
117.	A dog park for training and exercising of our pets.
118.	Rollerblading, horseback riding, bike tours, beer tours,
119.	Music and art
120.	None. Be good at what we have instead of mediocre at more.
121.	Day camp for younger kids and school age kids, hunting/fishing/ nature programs
122.	More female organized city sports
123.	Jet skii and paddle board rental
124.	more food place
125.	all kinds of sports and a dog park
126.	dog park
127.	Ice Rink
128.	basketball courts
129.	Parks better linked by paths.
130.	fun things
131.	nothing
132.	Tank driving lessons using a M4 sherman.
133.	public mowing
134.	idk

135.	More open softball groups
136.	At this point, I would like to see more areas to do sports. Soccer fields are too far from downtown, so it makes for a rather long walking distance in cleats.
137.	None
138.	a dog park and downtown ice rink
139.	I would like to see an outdoor theater.
140.	more festivals for locals
141.	COMPETITIVE SLEEPING
142.	I would like to see a soccer field maybe a small one or something closer to the town.
143.	n/a
144.	mens volleyball
145.	I'm not sure.
146.	An indoor turf field for off season practice/games. Many students at CMS/HS would enjoy being able to play outdoor sports during the winter when some fields and courts aren't available.
147.	None
148.	I would like to get group of kids together to help improve these areas.
149.	intramural sports
150.	None
151.	More camping locations
152.	A rollerskating rink might be nice, as well as local stargazing opportunities.
153.	Something water themed would be pretty cool and winter like snowmobiling or water park.
154.	dark forest for star gazing
155.	I think that we should have more adult sporting teams that can put more use to our recreational facilities.
156.	Coordination with the public schools to fully utilize current and future facilities for recreation programs.
157.	shooting clubs
158.	More water related sports. Kayaking, canoeing, swimming, etc.
159.	more golf
160.	I would like to see some things opened up that people are able to go to when the weather is crappy outside.
161.	Ice rink in the park downtown but not so expensive families can't afford it. I would like to see more open gyms for families in the area like the gym the college in petoskey offers.

Appendix D

Adoption Documentation