

# PORT ANGELES PARKS & RECREATION



## COMPREHENSIVE PARK PLAN

1995-2000

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CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
(for June 20 consideration)

## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION of the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission of the City of Port Angeles, Washington, recommending adoption of a Port Angeles Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Park Plan.**

WHEREAS, the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission has developed a Park Plan to be a guide for park and recreation development in Port Angeles, and

WHEREAS, the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission has spent time analyzing and projecting the present and future park and recreation needs for Port Angeles, based upon sound research and acceptable standards, and

WHEREAS, the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission wishes to keep this plan updated, and

WHEREAS, community input has been solicited in public hearings, public meetings and surveys in order to establish Park & Recreation program and facility priorities, and

WHEREAS, the plan was submitted to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation for their review and no changes in the plan were recommended;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Port Angeles Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission approves the Port Angeles Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Park Plan as presented, and recommends adoption by the City Council of the City of Port Angeles.


RESOLUTION approved and signed this 6 day of June, 1995.

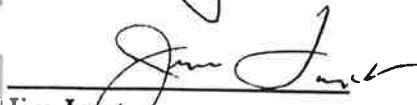
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**CITY OF PORT ANGELES  
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE  
AND ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT  
WAC 197-11-640**

**Description of Current Proposal:** Adoption of a Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan for the City of Port Angeles.

**Proponent:** CITY OF PORT ANGELES PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

**Location:** City-wide

**Title/description of document being adopted:** CITY OF PORT ANGELES PARKS AND RECREATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

**Agency that prepared the document being adopted:**

**Date the adopted document was prepared:**

**Description of document (or portion) being adopted:** Comprehensive plan to facilitate the recreational goals, policies, and objectives of the City of Port Angeles Parks and Recreation Department.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the current proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information and the document that is being adopted is available to the public upon request at the Port Angeles City Planning Department, 321 East Fifth Street, Port Angeles, Washington, 98362, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., M-F.

The previous document has not been challenged and has been identified and adopted as being appropriate for this proposal after independent review. The document meets the City of Port Angeles' environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decisionmaker.

- There is no comment period for this DNS.
- This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 15 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF AGENCY ADOPTING THE DOCUMENT:** City of Port Angeles

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## SUMMARY

The City of Port Angeles, where the Mountains meet the Sea, is a true recreational paradise. Its location on the North Olympic Peninsula offers residents and visitors an enviable array of recreational opportunities, from seaside to urban center to mountain peaks. Port Angeles faces one of the deepest protected harbors on the West Coast, yet the city center is only a few minutes drive from virgin high mountain wilderness areas in the Olympic National Park. Two hours to the west is a true rain forest; semi-arid lands lie fifteen miles to the east. A high degree of environmental awareness has been fostered by the proximity to such a range of environments and recreational opportunities. This awareness is reflected in the pride and care devoted to the City's parks and recreational facilities.

Historically, Port Angeles has been regarded as being somewhat removed from the major population centers of the Northwest. Despite this isolation, it has long been a favorite recreation area for the entire region. The area's popularity is growing. With the Northwest's rapidly expanding population and the increasing mobility and leisure time of that population, enhancement of the City's recreational programs and facilities is imperative. The first step in meeting the increasing demand for parks and recreational facilities is sound planning based on an assessment of the City's recreational needs.

Data collected and evaluated in compiling this plan indicate that recreational facilities which are measurable using established standards, such as the number of neighborhood parks and ball fields, are generally up to standard. The areas which indicate shortfalls which will become constraints with increasing population in the City are playlots, softball fields, golf and the acres set aside in neighborhood parks and open space. The need for these facilities is indicated by public comments, and supported by a comparison between the City's recreational facilities and established local recreational facility standards, as well as results of a City-wide recreation survey. In that survey, a second swimming pool was ranked as the highest priority for funding in the next five years. Play equipment and tennis courts were also in the top ten ranked project areas. A resident opinion survey of city services indicated general satisfaction with park programs and facilities, support for further development of the Waterfront Trail and some minor dissatisfaction with the pool facility and program. Playgrounds, parks, ballfields and City Pier received favorable responses. Additionally, a public hearing regarding capital facilities indicated strong public interest in golf course development, ice skating, enhancements to and additional recreation facilities such as softball fields, the pool, Civic Field, and support for continued development of the Waterfront Trail.

The Parks & Recreation staff, as well as many of the self sustaining youth sports organizations, expressed concern for the availability of practice and game facilities. These programs have shown phenomenal growth in the last ten years, and concerns for

facilities are valid.

However, in Port Angeles there are recreational needs not addressed by mere numbers or standards. These stem from the City's unique maritime location and history. There is a public demand for shoreline access and trails along the water which is not met by the current supply. Three of the top five priority projects involve increased shoreline access. Completion and extension of the Waterfront Trail, Waterfront Park construction, and shoreline acquisition all were highly rated. This element of the City Parks and Recreation Department's program is the one in which the public has indicated the greatest need for expanded effort.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

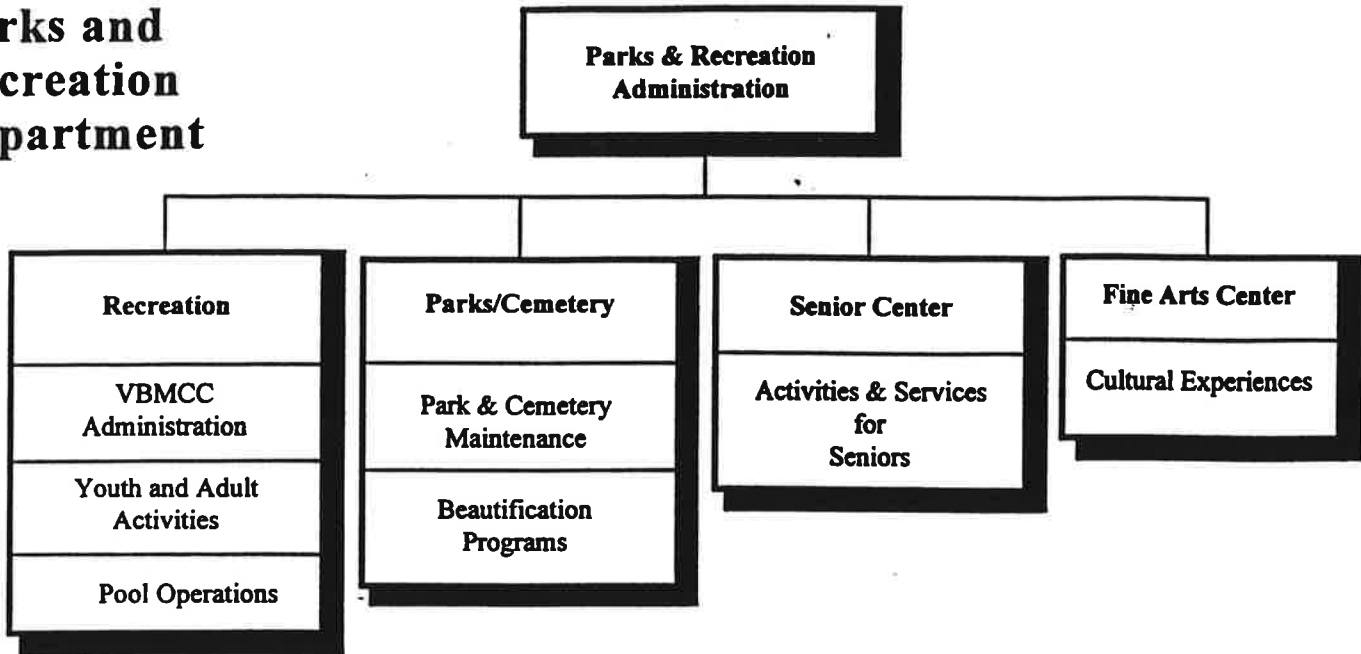
**ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**

**PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

**GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES**

**THE PLANNING PROCESS**

# Parks and Recreation Department



## Functions

**Administration** provides for the necessary management of all Divisions within the Parks Department. Included within this function is park acquisition and development, capital improvement planning, budget development, and providing support for the various citizen advisory boards associated with Parks Department facilities.

**Fine Arts Center Division** supports the cultural needs of the City by bringing varied exhibitions to the Fine Arts Center. Exhibitions include paintings, sculpture, and photography, and feature artists from around the State, including local artists.

**Parks Maintenance Division** provides year-around maintenance services to rights-of-way, street trees, parks, open space, and other City properties to ensure clean, safe, and accessible facilities. This Division also has responsibility for the maintenance of the Waterfront Trail.

**Recreation Division** provides a comprehensive, year-around program of recreational activities. Programs are designed to meet the needs of all citizens, regardless of age, physical, mental, or economic condition. This division is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the William Shore Memorial Pool and also schedules the use of all parks and school facilities.

**Senior Center Division** provides services and activities for the senior citizens of the community in order for them to live more enriched lives. The programs enhance their dignity, support their independence, promote opportunities for social interaction, and encourage participation in the life of the community.

## **PURPOSE and SCOPE**

The purpose of the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan is to facilitate implementing the recreational goals, objectives, and policies of the City of Port Angeles Parks and Recreation Department. The plan provides a framework in which a prioritized recreational development plan can be generated. Primary emphasis is placed on serving the community's recreational needs by improving existing facilities. The plan includes an inventory of current Parks and Recreation Department properties and facilities, and a summary of the City's recreation public opinion survey. In addition, it identifies future potential property acquisitions and park development which will compliment existing properties.

Secondary purposes of this plan are: 1) to provide the City with a tool to assess park and recreation needs, and 2) to plan for open space preservation. These aspects of the plan will be useful in evaluating the potential impacts on parks and recreation resulting from major developments such as oil port terminals, prisons, industries, moderate to rapid residential growth, etc.

The planning area includes the City of Port Angeles, and any recreational facilities and parks which involve the City in ownership or management agreements in Clallam County and the Port of Port Angeles.

It should also be noted that adoption of this plan is a prerequisite for the City to be eligible for a variety of grant programs to fund elements of the plan.

## **GOALS, OBJECTIVES, and POLICIES**

### **GOAL**

The following goal statement has been adopted by the Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Commission:

*"The City of Port Angeles, as one of its major functions, recognizes a responsibility to provide its citizens with opportunities for life-quality enhancement for their health, welfare and safety through the provision of open spaces, parks, recreation facilities, leisure activity programs, and an aesthetic environment."*

### **OBJECTIVES**

A number of objectives have been established by the City of Port Angeles Parks and Recreation Department in support of the adopted goal statement. The following objectives are not organized by priority, but rather are grouped to reflect policy areas.

*Parks and Recreation Facilities:*

- Provide a variety of recreation opportunities for all citizens and tourists regardless of age, physical or mental limitations, sex, race, or economic status.
- Create and maintain facilities that are safe and aesthetically pleasing.
- Enhance and expand existing parks and recreation facilities in order to meet the rapidly growing needs in the City of Port Angeles.
- Design and maintain parks and recreational facilities and services to meet accepted standards.
- Create city parks and recreational facilities which provide unusual or unique recreational environments and activities for residents of the entire city.
- Create neighborhood parks and recreational facilities which appeal to people of all ages, characteristics, interests, and abilities.

*Open Space:*

- Provide open space for both human needs and wildlife habitats.
- Preserve and enhance unique and outstanding natural resources within the City.
- Develop a trail network.

*Urban Design:*

- Provide reasonable access to all open space and recreation facilities, including elimination, wherever possible, of all barriers to special populations.

*Community Facilities and Services:*

- Establish and maintain written policies, practices and procedures that enable maximum opportunity for use and enjoyment of services.
- Have volunteers involved extensively, as individuals and in organizations, in achieving these objectives.

**POLICIES**

The following policies have been established to provide a framework for decision making. They are grouped into general policy areas, and do not reflect priorities

in their order of presentation.

*Parks and Recreation Facilities:*

- Develop parks and recreational facilities following a comprehensive parks and recreation plan which provides services on a regional, city-wide, community and neighborhood basis.
- State goals and objectives that are understood by the members of the board and staff, and communicated to the community and governmental leaders. The statement should be reviewed periodically and be a reflection of the community's highest ideals.
- Adopt, support and communicate the philosophy that recreation means any activity, voluntarily engaged in, which contributes to the refreshment, enjoyment, education, physical well-being or entertainment of the individual and which contributes to a sense of self worth.
- Be responsive to the recreational needs and desires of individuals and groups, and to actively seek citizen input in the operation of the department.
- Support and participate in professional and governmental organizations which are in the interest of parks and recreation.
- Develop parks, recreational facilities, and programs that place special emphasis on the recreational needs of the youth of the community.
- Develop parks, recreational facilities, and programs that compliment the area's natural features, and are designed and implemented so as to minimize adverse environmental impacts.
- Encourage cooperation in development of facilities and programming with the private sector, school district, and other agencies and groups. An example is establishing policies that ensure creation and maintenance of bike and pedestrian paths along all highways and other major arterials.

*Open Space:*

- Base the determination of open space on an open space study which examines natural characteristics and features of the landscape.
- Areas with severe physical constraints such as steep and unstable slopes should not be intensively developed.

- Encourage the preservation of sensitive environmental features, including but not limited to fish and wildlife habitats, shorelines, and wetlands.

*Urban Design:*

- Design controls should be based upon an urban design study of the community, which will be integrated into the comprehensive plan.
- Design and development should capitalize on scenic views and enhance the natural beauty of the community.
- Place utilities underground wherever possible.
- Design so as to identify historic structures and provide for restoration and preservation when economically feasible.

*Community Facilities and Services:*

- Ensure that municipal facilities are in compliance with the comprehensive plan, contain provisions for handicapped people, and are constructed according to accepted standards.
- Utilize resources efficiently in providing leisure-oriented services in Port Angeles by placing emphasis on existing facilities and under-utilized recreation or leisure opportunities.
- Research and take full advantage of all revenue sources, including lobbying for revenue sources at the state and federal levels when appropriate.
- Take full advantage of potential economies and aggressively seek new ways to generate revenues for capital projects.
- Foster innovation by encouraging the board and staff to search for new and more effective ways of improving the department's operation.
- Design municipal facilities for the planned density of a given area.
- Recommend that land be set aside and/or funds allocated to accommodate parks and recreational needs before permission is granted for proposed developments that would increase the population of an area beyond that which existing facilities can serve effectively. Development fees should pay a fair share of costs to provide any additional facilities made necessary by such development.

Combine municipal facilities with county and/or school district facilities and services whenever economies would result without a reduction in the quality or level of service.

## **THE PLANNING PROCESS**

Updating the Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan was identified as a goal by both the City Council and Park Board because the City of Port Angeles has undergone tremendous changes since the previous Comprehensive Plan was adopted. The planning process utilized the following format:

- (1) Identify community demands,
- (2) Inventory parks and recreational facilities,
- (3) Evaluate how well the community's demands are currently being met to determine current needs,
- (4) Assess future needs based on projected population changes, and
- (5) Develop a document which can be used as a guide in making future changes.

The plan will be used by the Park Board and staff in managing and developing park and recreation facilities and programs over the next five years. It is the intention of the Park Board and staff that the plan be revised periodically.

Identifying the community's parks and recreation demands and needs was the first step in the planning process. Public demands were identified through public comments received at open advertised public meetings as well as responses to a random sample recreational assessment survey, and a survey of city services which were distributed in the community. Needs were determined by comparing the current inventory of parks and recreational facilities with two factors, (1) the demand for various recreational facilities and activities, and (2) standards developed for assessing the adequacy of recreational facilities. Additional needs were identified through review of existing recreation plans, reports from other agencies, literature, and park staff reports.

Various alternatives for meeting those needs were examined, analyzed and developed into a series of recommendations. The recommendations were then presented during a series of meetings held to gather input for use in developing recommendations to be included in the plan.

A final draft was presented to the Park Board for approval, and subsequently was presented to the City Council for adoption. Once accepted and approved at the local level the plan will be presented to Washington State Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation, where it will be reviewed for conformance with the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation and Open Space Plan. The document then becomes the guide for the

City of Port Angeles to use in carrying out city park, recreation, and open space activities.

## **2. THE RESOURCE**

**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE AREA**

**ECONOMIC ANALYSIS**

**POPULATION & DEMOGRAPHICS**

## **DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE AREA**

Port Angeles is located in Clallam County, on the northern coast of Washington's Olympic Peninsula. It is less than three hours from Seattle or Olympia. The City nestles between the shadow of the Olympic Mountains and the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and has one of the deepest protected harbors on the west coast. It is known as "the place where the mountains meet the sea". Within a two-hour radius of the city center are vast alpine and wilderness areas to the south, a true rain forest to the west, and semi-arid lands to the east. Ediz Hook is a picturesque sand spit which forms the naturally protected harbor to the city's north, offering excellent year-round fishing for salmon and bottom fish. This idyllic location is a recreation mecca which has come to be one of the city's hallmarks.

Port Angeles contains the raw material for a wide variety of recreational pursuits, including fishing, beach-combing, boating, camping, sightseeing, walking, jogging, bicycling, and bird-watching. Almost every outdoor recreational activity could be successfully pursued in Port Angeles. With careful stewardship and planning, these opportunities will be preserved, and may be enhanced and expanded.

The City of Port Angeles has shown strong commitment to area residents in terms of providing facilities for both young and old: parks, playgrounds, ball fields, open spaces, trails, and a community swimming pool. Over 250 acres are maintained by City Parks. Residential areas have been provided with 11 individual neighborhood parks. Additionally, City Parks programs have been able to meet the needs of the community's youth sports organizations for soccer and baseball, serving more than 1,000 children in each.

Port Angeles covers an area of 9.5 square miles, and has a moderate rainfall of 26 inches annually with an average temperature of 49 degrees. There is a constant on-shore wind averaging 5 - 8 miles per hour.

## **ECONOMIC ANALYSIS**

Clallam County and the City of Port Angeles are rich in natural resources. The Olympic Peninsula is one of the most productive timber growing areas in the country, and 60 percent of Clallam County's land area is in commercial timber land. The Strait of Juan De Fuca, bordering Port Angeles to the north, contains a vast fishery. Salmon have been the most significant for commercial and sports fishing, although other commercially significant species are also found.

Port Angeles is adjacent to a major international tourist route. The presence of Olympic National Park, one of the "crown jewels" of the national park system, the ferry to Vancouver Island, and sports fishing bring a steady flow of tourists to the city, creating

another economic resource. The Coho Ferry carries approximately 500,000 passengers per year between the United States and Victoria, British Columbia. Port Angeles serves as headquarters of Olympic National Park (featuring nearly one million acres), has annual visitation exceeding three million people.

A network of air, water, and truck transportation services keeps costs competitive and allows shippers to tailor service to the community's needs. Energy costs are among the lowest in the nation, and the wood resource makes co-generation an additional possibility.

The educational system has the flexibility to respond to industry's current training needs is also in place. The public school system has K-12 enrollment of 5,000. The District operates six elementary schools, two middle schools, and one high school. There is also a small alternative high school program. The Peninsula Community College is a two year, Associate of Arts degree college, located within the City of Port Angeles.

The three largest manufacturing firms in Clallam County, all located in Port Angeles (ITT Rayonier, Daishowa, and K-Ply Plywood) have a current employment of about 1,000 people. Major shipments of forest products to Japan, Korea and China have historically provided a strong market, bolstering the log export segment of the local economy. Export and old growth harvesting have been reduced significantly in recent years due to various government restrictions. In light of the recent developments in the timber and fishing industries, it is important for Port Angeles to develop and improve its other economic resources, such as tourism and manufacturing.

Daishowa America purchased in 1988 the old "Crown Zellerbach" mill from James River Company. A major \$550 million expansion has been planned, but is now postponed indefinitely. A \$40 million expansion for recycled newsprint and telephone directories was completed early in 1992.

Olympic National Park Headquarters and the United States Coast Guard continue to exert a stabilizing influence on the local economy. Olympic National Park attracts in excess of three million visitors annually, emphatic evidence that the Port Angeles tourist industry remains very strong. Several major motel firms have announced an interest in building a large motel and convention center in Port Angeles.

In summary, the local economy appears to be relatively strong despite much uncertainty in timber harvesting and log exports. Growth in the retirement community has been continuing. Tourism has been expanding to record setting levels. The forest products industries will most likely stabilize at a lower level of activity. now operating.

## POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Port Angeles is the primary population center of Clallam County, with nearly one third of the county's population living within the city limits. The 1990 census indicated 56,464 persons in Clallam County, with 17,710 estimated in Port Angeles. The mild climate, scenic attractions, and recreational activities of the North Olympic Peninsula continue to attract a growing retirement community to Clallam County, particularly in Sequim and Dungeness, but in Port Angeles as well.

Clallam County is implementing growth management planning in compliance with the state Growth Management Act. The "urban growth area" designation for Port Angeles will have a significant affect on growth, concentrating population increase within the designated areas. This will place an increasing demand on parks and recreational facilities.

### POPULATION:

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>2000*</u>	<u>2010*</u>
Total Population	16,367	17,311	17,200	17,260	17,771	19,942	21,821

\*(Projected)

% Population Change:	1970 - 1980	5.8%
	1980 - 1987	-.3%
	1987 - 1990	2.9%

% Projected Population Change:	1990 - 2000	10.9%
	2000 - 2010	8.6%

% Population 65 or Older:	1980	10.93%
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LAND AREA: 9.5 Square Miles

LAND USE:	(6,070 acres within City Limits)	
Commercial	9%	(528 acres)
Residential	50%	(3,026 acres)
Public	20%	(1,198 acres)

### NATURAL FEATURES:

Marine Shoreline	26 Miles
Streams	17 Miles

**CLIMATE:**

Temp. Range (° Fahrenheit)	<u>Ave.</u>	<u>Ave.Max</u>	<u>Median</u>
January	33.1	44.7	39.0
March	35.9	50.0	43.0
May	44.0	60.8	52.4
July	50.8	68.7	59.8
September	48.3	65.9	57.1
November	37.7	50.2	44.0
<b>Average</b>	<b>41.6</b>	<b>56.7</b>	<b>49.2</b>

Temperature Duration:	<u>Average Number of Days</u>
Below 32 °F	2
Above 90 °F	0
Growing Season	180

Precipitation:	<u>Average Number of Inches</u>
Snowfall	7.10
Rain	25.54

**TRANSPORTATION:** Air, Truck, Ship, Barge, Public Transit

**MAJOR INDUSTRIES:** Logging, wood products, tourism, fishing, ITT Rayonier, Daishowa America, K-Ply, and Black Ball Transport.

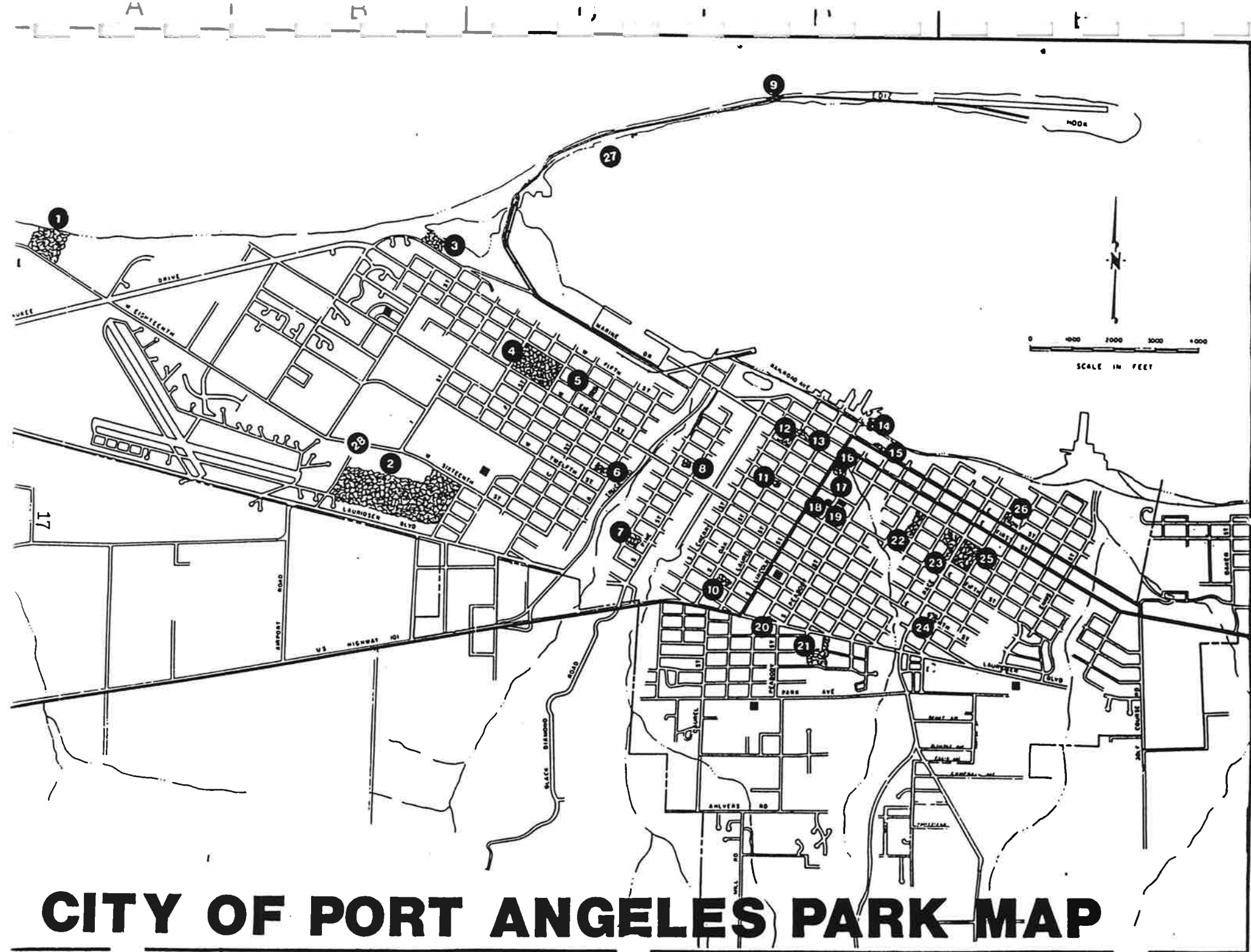
**3. EXISTING FACILITIES**

**CITY OF PORT ANGELES MAP**

**CITY OF PORT ANGELES PARK FACILITIES**

**INVENTORY MATRIX OF RECREATION FACILITIES  
(GREATER PORT ANGELES AREA)**

**SUMMARY OF CITY SPONSORED AND SUPPORTED  
RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES**



# CITY OF PORT ANGELES PARK MAP

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## **CITY of PORT ANGELES PARK FACILITIES**

This section inventories the current supply of parks and recreational facilities in the City of Port Angeles. The facilities are listed in categories according to size or type. The extent of this inventory demonstrates the commitment which Port Angeles has made to meeting the recreational requirements of its citizenry.

### **REGIONAL PARKS (100+ acres, or of special regional interest)**

- (2) **Lincoln Park** - Map Key A-2, located at 3127 West 8th Street, offers picnicking, picnic shelters, play equipment, 9 sports fields, 2 tennis courts, bicycling, trails, 2 ponds with seasonal youth fishing, rental buildings, restrooms, and campground, 147 acres.
- (27) **Sail & Paddle Park** - Map Key D-1, located on Ediz Hook, offers launching facilities for non-motorized watercraft, viewing, picnicking and shoreline access, .62 acres with 630 feet of shoreline on Port Angeles Harbor.

**Waterfront Trail** - Ediz Hook to Rayonier, offers waterfront views, walking, jogging, and bicycling path, picnicking, and new children's play equipment.

### **PLAYLOTS (One-half acre and smaller)**

- (5) **7th & "D" Park** - Map Key C-2, located at 1014 West 7th Street, offers picnicking and play equipment, .16 acres.
- (11) **5th & Oak Park** - Map Key D-3, located at West 5th and Oak Streets, offers picnicking and play equipment, .32 acres.
- (24) **Raines Park** - Map Key E-5, located at 900 block East 8th Street, offers picnicking and play equipment, .48 acres.
- (26) **Georgiana Park** - Map Key E-3, located at Washington and Georgiana, offers play equipment, .48 acres.

## NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS (One-half acre to 50 acres)

- (4) **Shane Park** - Map Key C-2, located at 613 South "G" Street, offers picnicking, picnic shelters, play equipment, lighted sports fields, 2 tennis courts, bicycling, restrooms, and trails, 15 acres.
- (28) **Volunteer Field** - Map Key B-2, 16 & "L" Streets, offers multi-purpose sports field, 7 acres.
- (7) **Elks Park** - Map Key C-3, located at 14th and Cedar Street, offers lighted sports field, 2 tennis courts, restrooms and play equipment, 3.44 acres.
- (21) **Lion's Park** - Map Key D-3, located at 600 block on Whidby Street, offers picnicking, picnic shelter, play equipment, restrooms, and playfield, 2.44 acres.
- (22) **Jesse Webster Park** - Map Key D-3, located at 3rd and Eunice Street, offers picnicking and open space, 4.85 acres.
- (23) **Erickson Park** - Map Key E-3, located at 300 block South Race Street, offers picnicking, play equipment, sports fields, restrooms, and 5 tennis courts, 4.16 acres.
- (6) **Wolverton Park** - Map Key C-3, located at West 11th off "A" Street, offers a small sports field and play equipment, .64 acres.
- (8) **Kiwanis Willson Park** - Map Key D-2, located at 511 West 7th Street, offers picnicking, sports field, play equipment and basketball court, .8 acres.
- (10) **Hazel Porter Kiel Park** - Map Key D-3, located 100 block West 12th Street, offers picnicking, play equipment, and tennis court, .64 acres.

## VIEW POINTS

- (3) **Crown Park** - Map key B-2, located at 2000 Block West 4th Street, offers picnicking, barbecue pits, play equipment and trails, 1 acre.

- (9) **Harborview Park** - Map Key D-1, located at end of Ediz Hook, offers picnicking, barbecue pits, boat launching and fishing, .09 acres with 205 feet of shoreline on Port Angeles Harbor.
- (12) **James Park** - Map Key D-2, located a West 2nd and Laurel, offers views of downtown and Ediz Hook, .07 acres.
- (14) **City Pier** - Map Key D-2, located at North Lincoln Street, offers picnicking, picnic shelter, play equipment, interpretive facilities, trails, restrooms, boat moorage and fishing, .11 acres with 305 feet shoreline on Port Angeles Harbor.
- (15) **Haines Park** - Map Key D-2, located on North Peabody Street, offers views of the harbor and Ediz Hook.

#### MEMORIAL AND HISTORICAL SITES

- (13) **Conrad Dyar Memorial Fountain** - Map Key D-2, located at 1st and Laurel Streets, offers a resting place while downtown.
- (17) **Veterans Memorial Park** - Map Key D-3, located at 217 South Lincoln Street, offers picnicking and interpretive facilities, .14 acres.
- (20) **Old Locomotive** - Map Key D-3, located at East Lauridsen Boulevard at Chase Street, provides open space and beautification.

#### OTHER FACILITIES

- (25) **Civic Field** - Map Key E-3, located at 4th and Race Streets, offers stadium with seating for 2500 and lighted sports fields, restrooms, 5.25 acres.
- (1) **Ocean View Cemetery** - Map Key A-2, located at 3127 West 18th Street, offers a variety of cemetery services.
- (16) **Senior Citizens' Center** - Map Key D-3, located at 7th and Peabody, offers a variety of activities for Senior Citizens.

- (18) **William Shore Memorial Pool** - Map Key D-3, located at 225 East 5th Street, offers swimming instruction as well as recreational swimming.
- (19) **Vern Burton Memorial Community Center** - Map Key D-3, located at 308 East 4th Street, provides indoor space for community activities and fund raisers as well as basketball courts and volleyball courts.
- (9) **Ediz Hook Boat Launch** - Map Key D-1, located on Ediz Hook, offers boat launch ramp, upland parking for vehicles and trailers, and restrooms.
- (14) **City Pier and Dock** - Map Key D-2, located at the base of Lincoln St., offers public access to the water, marine interpretive center, and transient moorage for recreational boats.

## **SCHOOL FACILITIES**

<b>Elementary Schools:</b>	Dry Creek, 1812 Edgewood Drive Fairview, 2095 Lake Farm Road Franklin, 2505 South Washington Hamilton, 1822 West Seventh Jefferson, 218 East 12th Monroe, 300 South Monroe Road
<b>Middle Schools:</b>	Roosevelt, 400 South Monroe Road Stevens, 1139 West Fourteenth St
<b>High School:</b>	Port Angeles High School, 304 East Park
<b>College:</b>	Peninsula College, 1502 East Boulevard

PORT ANGELES PARKS & RECREATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
FACILITIES INVENTORY MATRIX

Site Name	Lincoln Park	7 & D Tot Lot	Georgiana Park	5th & Oak Park	Rains Park	Wolverton Park
Site Address	1900 W. Lauridsen	1014 W. 7th	Chambers @ Georgiana	W. 5th @ Oak St	900 blk E. 8th	W. 11th off "A" St.
Type of Park	Regional	Playlot	Playlot	Playlot	Playlot	Neighborhood
Map Number	2	5	**	11	24	6
Total Acres	147	.16	.48	.32	.48	.64
<b>Athletic Fields</b>						
Baseball/Softball	5	no	no	no	no	1
Football/Soccer	3	no	no	no	no	1
Open Playfield	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Outdoor Courts</b>						
Tennis	2	no	no	no	no	no
Basketball/Other	no	no	no	no	no	no
Golf Course	no	no	no	no	no	no
Swimming Pool	no	no	no	no	no	no
<b>Day Use Facilities</b>						
Picnic Tables	30	1	no	2	2	no
Picnic Shelter	5	no	no	no	no	no
<b>Camping</b>						
Total Camp Sites	28	na	na	na	na	na
Bike/Hike Sites	yes	na	na	na	na	na
Group Camping	no	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Water Body/Facilities</b>						
River/Stream?	no	no	no	no	no	no
Lake/Reservoir?	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Saltwater	no	no	no	no	no	no
Water Body Name(s)	Upper Lower	no	no	na	na	na
Linear Ft Shoreline	upper:1,470' lower:1,565'	na	na	na	na	na
Linear Ft Swim Beach	na	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Moorage	na	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Launch	no	na	na	na	na	na
Car/Boat Trailer spaces	no	na	na	na	na	na
Restrooms	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Playground Equip	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Handicapped Accessible	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes
Interpretive Facilities	no	no	no	no	no	no
Trails	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Open Space or Greenbelt?	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Other						

PORT ANGELES PARKS & RECREATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
**FACILITIES INVENTORY MATRIX**

Site Name	City Pier	Veterans Memorial Pk	Civic Field	Waterfront Trail	Conrad Dyar Fountain	Old Locomotive
Site Address	N. Lincoln St	217 S. Lincoln	4th & Race		1st & Laurel St	200 Blk E. Lauridsen
Type of Park	View Point	Memorial	Athletic	View	Memorial	Historical
Map Number	2	14	23	**	13	20
Total Acres	.11	.14	5.25	3.25 mi		
Athletic Fields						
Baseball/Softball	no	no	1	no	no	no
Football/Soccer	no	no	1	no	no	no
Open Playfield	no	no	no	no	no	no
Outdoor Courts						
Tennis	no	no	no	no	no	no
Basketball/Other	no	no	no	no	no	no
Golf Course	no	no	no	no	no	no
Swimming Pool	no	no	no	no	no	no
Day Use Facilities						
Picnic Tables	9	1	no	no	no	no
Picnic Shelter	1	no	no	no	no	no
Camping						
Total Camp Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Bike/Hike Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Group Camping	na	na	na	na	na	na
Water Body/Facilities						
River/Stream?	no	no	no	no	no	no
Lake/Reservoir?	no	no	no	no	no	no
Saltwater	yes	no	no	yes	no	no
Water Body Name(s)	PA Harbor Lower	na	na	PA Harbor	no	no
Linear Ft Shoreline	?	na	na	3.25 miles	na	na
Linear Ft Swim Beach	305'	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Moorage	10	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Launch	no	na	na	na	na	na
Car/Boat Trailer spaces	car only	na	car only	no	no	no
Restrooms	yes	no	yes	no	no	no
Playground Equip	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Handicapped Accessible	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Interpretive Facilities	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no
Trails	yes	no	no	yes	no	no
Open Space or Greenbelt?	no	no	no	yes	no	yes
Other	bouy moorage/2		stadium seats 2500			

**PORT ANGELES PARKS & RECREATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
FACILITIES INVENTORY MATRIX**

Site Name	Charles R. Willson Pk	Hazel Porter Kiel Pk	Elks Playfield	Lions Park	Jesse Webster Park	Erickson Playfield
Site Address	511 W. 7th St	100 blk W 13th	14 & Cedar	600 blk Whidby	3rd & Eunice	300 Blk Race
Type of Park	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood
Map Number	8	10	7	21	22	23
Total Acres	.80	.64	3.44	2.44	4.85	4.16
<b>Athletic Fields</b>						
Baseball/Softball	1	no	1	no	no	1
Football/Soccer	no	no	1	no	no	1
Open Playfield	1	1	no	1	no	1
<b>Outdoor Courts</b>						
Tennis	no	2	2	no	no	5
Basketball/Other	1	no	no	no	no	2
Golf Course	no	no	no	no	no	no
Swimming Pool	no	no	no	no	no	no
<b>Day Use Facilities</b>						
Picnic Tables	1	no	2	4	3	3
Picnic Shelter	no	no	no	1	no	no
<b>Camping</b>						
Total Camp Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Bike/Hike Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Group Camping	na	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Water Body/Facilities</b>						
River/Stream?	na	na	na	na	na	na
Lake/Reservoir?	na	na	na	na	na	na
Saltwater	na	na	na	na	na	na
Water Body Name(s)	na	na	na	na	na	na
Linear Ft Shoreline	na	na	na	na	na	na
Linear Ft Swim Beach	na	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Moorage	na	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Launch	na	na	na	na	na	na
Car/Boat Trailer spaces	na	na	na	na	na	na
Restrooms	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes
Playground Equip	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
Handicapped Accessible	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
Interpretive Facilities	no	no	no	no	no	no
Trails	no	no	no	no	no	no
Open Space or Greenbelt?	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Other						

PORT ANGELES PARKS & RECREATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
FACILITIES INVENTORY MATRIX

Site Name	Shane Park	Sail & Paddle Park	Volunteer Pk	Crown Park	Harborviewr Park	James Park
Site Address	613 S. "G" St	Ediz Hook SE	16th & "L"	2000 blk W. 4th	Ediz Hook NE	W. 2nd & Laurel
Type of Park	Neighborhood	Regional	Neighborhood	Veiw Point	View Point	View Point
Map Number	4	27	2	3	9	12
Total Acres	15	.62	7	1	.09	.07
<b>Athletic Fields</b>						
Baseball/Softball	2	no	1	no	no	no
Football/Soccer	1	no	1	no	no	no
Open Playfield	1	no	no	no	no	no
<b>Outdoor Courts</b>						
Tennis	2	no	no	no	no	no
Basketball/Other	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Golf Course	no	no	no	no	no	no
Swimming Pool	no	no	no	no	no	no
<b>Day Use Facilites</b>						
Picnic Tables	6	2	no	2	5	no
Picnic Shelter	1	no	no	no	5	no
<b>Camping</b>						
Total Camp Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Bike/Hike Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Group Camping	na	na	na	na	na	na
<b>Water Body/Facilities</b>						
River/Stream?	na	na	na	na	na	na
Lake/Reservoir?	na	na	na	na	na	na
Saltwater	na	na	na	na	na	na
Water Body Name(s)	na	PA Harbor	na	na	PA Harbor	na
Linear Ft Shoreline	na	630'	na	na	205'	na
Linear Ft Swim Beach	na	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Moorage	na	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Launch	na	non-motorized	na	na	na	na
Car/Boat Trailer spaces	na	na	na	na	na	na
Restrooms	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Playground Equip	yes	no	no	yes	no	no
Handicapped Accessible	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
Interpretive Facilites	no	no	no	no	no	no
Trails	yes	no	no	yes	no	no
Open Space or Greenbelt?	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes
Other						

FORT ANGELES PARKS & RECREATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
FACILITIES INVENTORY MATRIX

Site Name	Ocean View Cemetery	Sr Citizen Complex	Vern Burton Comm. Ctr	Ediz Hook Boat Ramp	Wm Shore Mem. Pool	Haynes Park
Site Address	3127 W. 18th	7th & Peabody	308 E. 4th	Ediz Hook NE	225 E. 5th	Front & Peabody
Type of Park	Cemetery	Sr Center	Comm. Center	Boat Ramp	Swim Pool	Viewpoint
Map Number	1		19		18	15
Total Acres	52	1.22	1+			
Athletic Fields						
Baseball/Softball	na	na	na	na	na	na
Football/Soccer	na	na	na	na	na	na
Open Playfield	no	no	no	no	no	na
Outdoor Courts						na
Tennis	no	no	no	no	no	na
Basketball/Other	no	no	1	no	no	na
Golf Course	no	no	no	no	no	na
Swimming Pool	no	no	no	no	yes	na
Day Use Facilities						na
Picnic Tables	no	no	no	no	1	no
Picnic Shelter	no	no	no	no	no	no
Camping						
Total Camp Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Bike/Hike Sites	na	na	na	na	na	na
Group Camping	na	na	na	na	na	na
Water Body/Facilities						
River/Stream?	na	na	na	na	na	na
Lake/Reservoir?	na	na	na	na	na	na
Saltwater	yes	na	na	yes	na	na
Water Body Name(s)	PA Harbor	na	na	na	PA Harbor	PA Harbor
Linear Ft Shoreline	na	na	na	na	na	na
Linear Ft Swim Beach	na	na	na	na	na	na
Boat Moorage	na	na	na	na	na	no
Boat Launch	na	na	na	yes	na	yes, car only
Car/Boat Trailer spaces	na	na	na	yes	na	no
Restrooms		yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Playground Equip	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
Handicapped Accessible	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Interpretive Facilities	no	no	no	no	no	no
Trails	yes	no	no	no	no	yes
Open Space or Greenbelt?	yes	no	no	yes	no	
Other						

# CITY SPONSORED RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

## Senior Citizen Programs

### Individual Participation

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>
a. Health	2,851	2,816
b. Educational	5,180	7,288
c. Social	11,192	15,370
Membership		
City	779	792
County	385	320

## Aquatic Programs

### Instruction

a. Youth	28,933	22,923
b. Adult	576	346

### Recreation

a. Youth	18,740	16,039
b. Adult	25,501	26,505
c. Parties	801	1,152

## Recreation Programs

### Adult Recreation

a. Basketball teams	42	24
b. Volleyball teams	32	32
c. Softball teams	55	53
d. Flag Football	9	10

### Youth Recreation

a. Special Events	2,294	1,573
b. Summer Programs	3,297	2,419
c. Arts & Crafts	150	150

### VBMCC Users

Major Events	68	85
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## CITY SUPPORTED RECREATION PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

a. Senior/Junior Babe Ruth	262	262
b. Junior Soccer	918	936
c. YMCA	4,000	4,000
d. High School	79	84
e. Little League	1,057	1,062

## **4. DEMANDS AND NEEDS**

### **METHODOLOGY**

#### **DEMANDS/NEEDS ANALYSIS**

#### **SPACE STANDARDS VS POPULATION COMPARISON**

#### **SUMMARY OF CITIZEN INPUT ON PARK AND RECREATION ISSUES: DEMANDS IDENTIFIED**

#### **PORT ANGELES RECREATIONAL NEEDS AND ISSUES IDENTIFIED**

## **METHODOLOGY**

Good recreation planning reflects the needs, demands, and opinions of the local users the citizens of Port Angeles. This section describes the methodology used to generate the information contained in this plan. Public opinion polls, comments received at public hearings and by the Parks Department at other times, and analysis of current recreational facility use all have provided valuable insights into the local needs and demand for parks and recreational facilities.

Port Angeles' recreational needs and demands have been determined utilizing the following tools:

- (1) A City-wide citizen survey was used to determine the perceived quality and level of service currently provided by the City Parks Department,
- (2) A City-wide citizen survey was used to determine specific park and recreational facility needs,
- (3) Input was solicited from the general public and special interest groups during advertised public meetings and public hearings held for that purpose,
- (4) Discussions between the Park Board, Parks Department staff, and various groups and individuals played an important role in helping the Board develop an action plan, and
- (5) Established space standards vs. population data were applied to Port Angeles.

The survey questions are included and the results tabulated in Appendix B & C. The survey results are summarized in this chapter. Recreation agency standards were used to examine population versus recreation space city-wide. These standards specify the ratio of acres or facilities per population. For example, 10 acres per 1,000 population is a generally acceptable level of appropriate regional park space. The standards are within the range recommended by the IAC, and are ratios accepted by the National Recreation and Park Association.

## **DEMANDS/NEEDS ANALYSIS**

A demands/needs analysis is a comparison between the community's desire to participate in an activity with the opportunities present for participation. Demand is usually defined using data obtained through attendance counts or from surveys. Attendance counts have a limited use in that it is difficult to apply this technique to all activities and in all areas. They also reflect current demand only. Therefore, properly designed surveys are usually more appropriate for planning purposes, as they can also reflect future demand.

Needs are expressed as the facilities or programs required to provide the recreational opportunities identified by the demand. Existing need is based on an evaluation of current demand in relation to existing supply, while future need is based on forecasts or projections of estimated future activity/facility use. Another factor often used in projecting needs is the increase in demands, which are growing at a faster rate than population growth.

Population is the simplest forecasting statistic used to determine need. The population data used in this plan and analysis was obtained from the Port Angeles Planning Department and the U.S. Census Bureau. Population projections are those being used by the Port Angeles Planning Department in the current Growth Management Comprehensive Plan. These population estimates are conservative in that they do not account for the percentage of facility users who do not maintain a permanent residence in the city, and therefore are not included in the census figures, but do use the City's parks and recreational facilities seasonal visitors, residents of the greater Port Angeles area, and tenants who change residence within a twelve-month period.

**SPACE STANDARDS VS POPULATION COMPARISON**

The application of Minimum Local Recreational Standards to population data to determine future need is demonstrated by the following hypothetical example:

City population: . . . . . 10,000  
 Projected population (10 years): . . . . . 15,000  
Standard: Neighborhood playground - . . . . . 1 facility per 3,000 population  
 . . . . . 1 acre per 1,000 population

Current supply: 4 playgrounds with total of 8 acres.

Existing Needs: (Based on 10,000 population)  
 Facility need:  $10,000 \div 3,000 = 3+$  facilities required  
 Provided: 4 facilities  
 Existing need: none

Acreage need:  $10,000 \times 1.5 \div 1,000 = 15$  acres needed  
 Provided: 8 acres  
 Existing need: 7 acres needed to meet size requirements

Future Needs: (Based on 15,000 population)  
 Facility need:  $15,000 \div 3,000 = 5$  facilities required  
 Provided: 4 facilities  
 Future need: 1 facility

Acreage need:  $15,000 \times 1.5 \div 1,000 = 22$  acres needed  
 Provided: 8 acres  
 Future need: 14 acres needed to meet future size requirements.

Port Angeles now has over 200 acres of park land, 14 playground equipment sites, 12 baseball and/or softball fields, 13 soccer fields, 17 tennis courts, and an indoor pool. The current census population is 17,771 and projected population in 2000 is 19,942.

The following chart summarizes the comparison between minimum local recreation standards, the current facilities, and the current and projected need for Port Angeles.

**CITY OF PORT ANGELES – STANDARDS FOR PARKS & RECREATION FACILITIES**

FACILITY	STANDARD (POPULATION)	CURRENT SUPPLY	CURRENT NEED	UNMET NEED	FUTURE NEED *	UNMET NEED
Softball Fields (adult)	1/ 3280	3	5	2	6	3
Softball Fields (youth)	1/ 6000	3	3	0	3	0
Baseball Fields (regulation)	1/ 6000	2	3	1	3	1
Baseball Fields (Little League)	1/ 6000	4	3	0	3	0
Soccer Fields (U – 12)	1/ 3000	11	6	0	7	0
Soccer Fields (O – 12)	1/ 5000	2	4	2	4	2
Football Fields	1/ 10,000	2	2	0	2	0
Tennis Courts	1/ 2000	17	9	0	10	0
Golf (9 holes)	1/ 13,200	0	1	1	2	2
Swimming Pools	1/ 15,000	1	1	0	1	0
Playlots	1/ 1100	4 **	16	2	18	4
Neighborhood Parks (1 + acres)	1/ 3000	10	6	0	7	0
	1.5 ac / 1000	39	27	0	31.5	0
Regional Parks (100 + acres)	1/ 24,000	1	1	0	1	0
	10 ac / 1000	147	177	30	199	52
Community Center	1/ 20,000	2	1	0	1	0

\*Based on census projection for the year 2000

\*\*10 additional play equipment facilities, and additional acreage, are located in larger neighborhood parks

## **SUMMARY OF CITIZEN INPUT ON PARK AND RECREATION ISSUES**

### **DEMANDS IDENTIFIED**

Respondents to the Recreation Opinion survey conducted by the City Parks and Recreation Department provided information about the most important target age groups and types of programs the Department should emphasize. These results are summarized below. (Tabulated survey results are included in Appendix B). A summary of a survey of city services and facilities, and of public comment for capital spending is also summarized below (detailed results in Appendix C & D).

A significant majority of respondents indicated they were "well informed" (64%) or "very well informed" (4%) about Parks and Recreation programs. This is evidence of the Department's commitment to community involvement, and their successful implementation of policies in this area.

#### **Target Age Groups**

Middle school youth, ages 11-14 years, were ranked the most important group for the Parks and Recreation Department to provide with recreation programs (72% - "very important", 24% - "important"). Elementary youth were ranked slightly higher than High School youth, but both were rated as significantly less important target age groups than the 11-14 year olds (53% - "very important", 38% - "important" for Elementary youth, 55% - "very important", 25% - "important" for High School youth). Less than ten percent of the respondents rated these age groups as being unimportant.

Ranked behind the children groups, retired adults received higher ratings than the other adult age groups (24% - "very important", 46% - "important", and 24% - "not very important"). Adults 18-49 years old were slightly higher ranked than adults 50 years and older and still working. Preschool children less than five years of age were the lowest rated age group.

#### **Activities**

Respondents indicated that the swimming programs should receive the greatest degree of emphasis (62% - "a great deal", 33% - "some"). This was followed by after school recreation/indoor drop-in or open play sports (47% - "a great deal", 40% - "some"). Sports skill classes, activities for the handicapped, and sports leagues and tournaments were tied for the next ranking (34% - "a great deal"), followed by indoor drop-in games (pool, ping-pong), physical fitness classes, youth clubs (chess, bowling), and outdoor drop-in games. Program areas in which "little emphasis" received 25% response and/or "none" received 15% response were adult education classes, educational trips and tours, outdoor education and camping, arts and crafts programs, and adult hobby clubs.

#### **Fee/Program Structure**

The present fee structure, oriented towards making the City's recreation programs accessible to the broadest youth population possible, received strong support from respondents. The respondents ranked affordable cost as the priority item to receive increased

attention in planning recreation programs (37%), followed by good competition (36%), providing an opportunity to participate in a favorite activity (33%), neighborhood locations (24%), convenient times (22%), and good leadership (18%).

### Facilities

In the survey of city facilities and services, respondents indicated the most satisfaction for the Vern Burton Center, Parks & Playgrounds, Waterfront Trail and City Pier. In ranking priorities for capital spending, respondents indicated strong support for golf course development, trail development and enhancement of existing park facilities.

### Priorities for Five-year Planning Period

#### **Inter-agency Cooperation:**

Inter-agency cooperation is the name of the game. The "Park & School Agreement", allowing for joint use of facilities, is highly regarded as an excellent example of inter-agency cooperation. The joint tennis court project, Stevens School field development and various other joint projects are a result of the agreement. Developing cooperative programs with local agencies and organizations, and improving utilization of school facilities received overwhelming positive ratings as the highest priority for the Parks and Recreation staff. Expanding the use of volunteers in leadership capacities, and providing facilities for recreation clubs and groups to conduct their own activities were ranked next. Mobile recreation programs, drop-in facilities, and organized family and weekend activities received neutral ratings, and daytime classes, childcare, and neighborhood cooperative programs were the lowest priorities.

The ranking for specific projects to receive funding reveals a tremendous demand for a second swimming pool. Completion and extension of the Waterfront Trail is next, followed by enhancement of the Vern Burton Community Center. Waterfront Park construction and acquisition of shorelines were also in the top five projects. Increased shoreline access, renovation of existing facilities, and neighborhood parks with play equipment were in the next tier of ranked projects. Finally, covered tennis courts, soccer fields, new play equipment at existing sites, and passive settings for picnicking with open areas each received 5% response.

## **PORT ANGELES RECREATIONAL NEEDS AND ISSUES IDENTIFIED**

The recreational facilities which are measurable using established standards, such as playgrounds and ball fields, are generally up to standard. The areas which indicate shortfalls are playlots softball fields and acreage set aside for regional parks. The need for these facilities is supported by public input, which also identifies golf and ice skating as high priorities for funding in the next five years. Play equipment and tennis courts were also in the top ten ranked project areas. It must also be reiterated that Park & Recreation staff express concern for playing and practice facilities for local youth sports leagues. As well, league administrators express the same need and document their concerns with incredible examples of program growth over the last 10 years. Examples of extreme participation growth include Little League Baseball and Port Angeles Jr. Soccer. These programs had participation levels of less than 300 in 1984 and are in excess of 1000 in 1995.

However, in Port Angeles there is a recreational needs area not addressed by mere numbers or standards, which stems from the City's maritime location and history. This is the public demand for shoreline access and trails along the water. Three of the top five priority projects involve increased shoreline access: completion and extension of the Waterfront Trail, Waterfront Park construction, and shoreline acquisition all were highly rated.

It is logical for the Parks and Recreation Department to implement policies which are in compliance with preliminary growth management planning policies which Clallam County and Port Angeles are developing at this time. These are included herein under Policies (see Section I). In keeping with these policies, and documented public preferences, the following actions are recommended: (1) coordination of efforts with other agencies, and (2) acquisition of waterfront lands, and (3) establishment of linkages between critical areas, steep or unstable slopes (ravines), and open spaces for trails and wildlife corridors.

### Efficiency and Cooperation

Several Parks Department policies are directed towards cooperation and the efficient use and better utilization of existing facilities. These policies are strongly supported by public opinion. The efficient use of existing recreational facilities can expand recreational services without requiring additional public expenditures. One way to achieve this efficiency is through the cooperative use and development of facilities. The following are areas for potential cooperation in Port Angeles:

**School district/community cooperation:** Continue to make schools available to the community after school hours and on weekends; joint development or maintenance and operation of school fields and other facilities; park development adjacent to school playing fields.

**Interagency cooperation:** Joint development or acquisition projects such as County/City projects, County/City/Port District projects, and City/State or City/Federal trail projects.

**Joint programming between City agencies, schools and non-profit groups.**

**City/commercial development, such as the development of commercial facilities on public property by concession.**

**The remaining issue areas: waterfront acquisitions, boating facilities, and establishment of linkages, are addressed in the following section (Action Program).**

**5. ACTION PROGRAM**

**OPEN SPACE**

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

**TOURISM**

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

## **OPEN SPACE**

Open space can be any land undeveloped for urban uses. The Washington State Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) defines open space as follows:

Land area which preserved in its present use would conserve and enhance natural or scenic resources, protect streams or water supplies, promote conservation of lands, enhance the value of existing recreation areas, enhance recreation opportunities, and retain tracts of land in their natural setting.

These lands can be designated in both urban and rural areas. The need for open space in urban areas can be demonstrated more dramatically due to rapid growth and higher densities in these areas. Land is being consumed very rapidly to accommodate a variety of land uses from large lot residential development to shopping centers and industrial parks. This is especially true at the eastern and southern reaches of the Port Angeles. Open space and recreational facilities must be planned and provided as part of this rapid growth process.

Recreational amenities must be more than traditional urban parks and playgrounds which address a limited, albeit valuable, range of recreation activities. Natural areas within the urban fabric are desirable to maintain a healthy fabric of society, as well as for a balanced program of outdoor recreation opportunities. These natural areas must be set aside early, and perhaps well in advance of actual need so that their preservation can be assured without great financial burden on the taxpayer.

Open space areas can include wetlands, watercourses, floodplains, wooded ravines, steep slopes, marshes, hilltops or even open fields. Generally, they represent a unique or valuable natural feature or resource to be preserved, but they should also include lands usually unsuitable for higher density development. Open space areas vary in size and function and can accommodate such diverse purposes as natural habitats, public safety such as unbuildable steep slopes, buffers, building setback and yard requirements, local parks, and even blackberry covered drainage ditches. They may be public or private, and can be a continuous system or individual parcels. Generally open space areas should be under some form of permanent protection, but there are instances when temporary open space designations are appropriate. The pattern of use of open space generally involves individuals or small group activities. Other than nature study and interpretive programs, such use is rarely structured.

Port Angeles residents have a unique situation created by their location adjacent to a major national park complex and a major body of saltwater. Together, these resources undoubtedly provide much of Port Angeles' open space needs. However, they cannot be a substitute for open spaces within the City itself. Besides recreation and conservation functions, urban open space provides visual relief, helps structure urban development, provide a sanctuary for small wildlife, supplements educational programs and helps increase surrounding land values. Usually, urban open space meets several needs at the same time.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

There is an existing and increasing need for facilities such as trails, beaches, and picnicking areas which best can be accommodated in more natural, open space areas within the urban fabric, i.e., the Waterfront Trail Project. Port Angeles should implement policies for addressing open space within the City. Implementation may include:

Identify areas of community open space significance and develop programs for their conservation.

Encourage compatible multi-use opportunities inherent in the various types of open spaces while preserving the innate quality and integrity of the areas' character.

Maintain natural watercourses and storm drainage ways.

Conserve and preserve areas of unique geological, biological or visual character for their scientific, educational or aesthetic value.

Protect and conserve steep slopes and ravine areas where they might present hazards such as unstable soils and slide potential.

Develop open space linages such as trails, boulevards, easements, etc., which will tie together and link various separate open space areas, thereby increasing their individual value and function.

Potential major open space resources in Port Angeles include:

Completion of the Waterfront Trail Project.

Acquisition of various ravines, creeks and drainage ways.

Enhancement of the airport fringe area.

## **TOURISM**

Potentially, the largest growth industry in Port Angeles is tourism. Its unique location on the Olympic Peninsula adjacent to a major national park and a major saltwater body with ferry service to Victoria, B.C., and near a major metropolitan area, offers unparalleled opportunity. Tourism is generally recreation and leisure oriented and, therefore, is appropriate to address in this plan.

Presently, tourism in Port Angeles is a seasonal business. Tourist attractions such as Olympic National Park, State Recreation Areas, commercial fish charters, Waterfront Trail and the Victoria via the ferry. The ferry alone carries nearly 530,000 passengers per year. As long as fuel supplies remain ample, it can be expected that the volume of tourists passing through Port Angeles will continue to increase. However, there is presently little to capture the attention or interest of the traveler within Port Angeles itself. The tourists presently just pass through on their

way to some place else and spend very little time in the City, that is why it is important to the City to continue the development of its recreation facilities and the completion of its scenic Waterfront Trail Project.

To capitalize on this inherent opportunity, there need to be more attractions and services in Port Angeles which encourage tourists to make Port Angeles their destination. The type of activities which need to be developed should be of the type that would provide a local economic return at a high ratio to local expenditures.

Some potential attractions or actions might include an interpretive center capitalizing on Port Angeles' unique natural setting, history, industry and culture; conference facilities, again capitalizing on the area's natural amenities; driving and walking tours through the City and county, (as are already being done on a small scale), arboretum or gardens of indigenous flora making use of existing open space systems within the City; more emphasis on sport fishing; and a major, unique waterfront development.

One avenue for development which is very likely to be successful is to further capitalize on Port Angeles' position as a recreational boating destination. The city's proximity to the San Juan Islands and Victoria, its superb fishing, very large protected bay, and location within easy trailering distance of the population centers of Eastern Puget Sound make this an excellent program to develop. Attention should be directed to maintain and expand existing boat launch facilities, replacing the aging City Pier transient moorage facility, and enhancing and expanding the Lincoln Park Campground facility.

The City of Port Angeles has recognized the tourism value of hosting sporting events that attract visitors to the area. A variety of district, state, regional and national events have been hosted in Port Angeles since 1985. Maintaining, enhancing and expanding facilities used for these events remains a priority in the communities efforts at tourism promotion. As well, the City recognizes the potential tourism value of facilities such as golf courses and ice skating complexes, and in conjunction with efforts to capitalize on the convention and conference industry should examine the feasibility of developing such facilities.

**APPENDIX A**

**SUMMARY OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**1991**



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MINUTES  
PARKS, RECREATION & BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION  
MAY 16, 1991

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission was called to order by Chairman Jim Jones, Jr., at 7:05 pm in the City Council Chambers, 321 E. 5th.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Leonard Beil, Jim Jones, Jr., Jim Lunt, Skip Berquam, Nancy Phillips, Julie Lund and Derek Kilmer.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: S. Brodhun, J. Hicks & M. Bilsborrow

Audience: Benny Garcia, 227 W. 7th, Bill Foth, 812 Golf Course Road, Jewell VanOss, 1019 East 4th, Sue Packman, 207 Alderwood Circle, Parker Smith, 123 West 11th, Jana Didrickson, 731 East 11th, Clark & Milly Cowrey, 1507 South "B", Jon Didrickson, 731 E. 11th, Mark Fischer, 1221 E. 2nd, Eleanor Allmen, 204 West 2nd, Pat Milliren, 1626 West 8th

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AUDIO TAPE DISPOSITION STATUS OF APRIL 25, 1991:

Skip Berquam moved to approve the minutes of April 25, 1991. Derek Kilmer seconded the motion which carried. S. Berquam moved to dispose of the tapes in the usual manner (by recycling). D. Kilmer seconded the motion which carried.

VI. Items from Audience not on Agenda:  
None

V. Finance  
Voucher listings of May 7, 1991 were reviewed and discussed. L. Beil moved the Reports be placed on file. S. Berquam seconded the motion which carried.

Budget Status Report of April 1991 was reviewed and discussed. S. Berquam moved to place the Report on file. J. Lund seconded the motion which carried.

VI. LEGISLATION:

A. Public Hearing - Parks & Recreation 5 Year Comprehensive Plan, Comments from the Audience:

Chairman, Jim Jones opened the Public Hearing.

Sue Packman, 207 Alderwood Circle, suggested that the City consider the following:

- Arboretum or park-like area close to downtown or within the city. This could include animals (mini-zoo) for a tourist attraction and for local citizen enjoyment.

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- Recreation programs for people 40+, 50+; not to concentrate on the Seniors or youth, but those in between who may need some structured recreation.
- Waterfront Trail extension including extensions into the County, and spurs into the ravines and valleys. Fitness stations could also be installed.
- Continue with the City's various Beautification Projects.
- International type of good will projects such as a flag pavilion, peace pole, etc.
- Bike paths as opposed to walking paths
- Brown Bag or evening concerts in the parks allowing local groups to perform.
- On-site day care facilities where adult fitness programs are offered.
- New Senior Center
- Gift catalogue
- Lincoln School site utilized as a park site
- Development of a park by the Cemetery

Mark Fischer, 1221 E. 2nd offered the following suggestions:

- Continue in the planning and development of the Sail & Paddle Park on Ediz Hook, including:
  - Design and construction of the park so it may fit in a natural way with the Ediz Hook end of the Waterfront Trail; park would include a roadway with parking curbs, further landscaping, observation tower, public information and signage, and perhaps a couple of small floats. In addition, perhaps placing an underwater reef for fishing and scuba diving.

Fischer answered specific questions from Park Board regarding the Sail & Paddle Park.

Staff informed park board that there have been priorities established in terms of park development. Also, staff is in the process of developing a grant application for extension of

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the Waterfront Trail on Ediz Hook. Hopefully, development of this park can be included in the grant.

Parker Smith, 123 West 11th offered the following suggestions:

- Underwater reefs at Sail & Paddle Park as well as under City Pier. Suggested that the tires at the Cemetery could be used for an artificial reef.
- Continuation/extension of Waterfront Trail especially from Port Angeles to Port Townsend.
- Any beach improvement along the spit and waterfront.
- As president and spokesperson of the Olympic Youth Soccer Association, which is the parent group of the Youth Soccer Club in Port Angeles and Sequim, the group proposes the following things happen:

Develop and improve existing and potential soccer field facilities. The Olympic Youth Soccer Association is willing to make a commitment to the City Parks & Recreation Department. If they can find some fields that are compatible for what their needs are, the soccer club is willing to expend money to upgrade the fields, if the City would be willing to maintain them. It would be necessary to identify additional space and develop plans for improving that space to safe, and suitable play areas. The space perhaps exists in the school district.

Jon Didrickson, 731 E. 11th suggested the following items:

- Feels that the Park Board and Park Department should develop and implement a plan for creating a living history exhibit area at the historic area in Lincoln Park.
- Park Department should create and maintain a downtown historical district to help develop tourism.
  - \* Opening underground for tours
  - \* Utilize Old City Hall as a historical site as well as the Chamber of Commerce building
  - \* Old Fire Hall - restored to its original when vacated by Senior Center
  - \* Library - restored to original and set back for a

park setting

- \* Do something historical with Federal Building, Old Courthouse and Lincoln Theater
- \* Present historical musical dramas to provide an item of interest for tourists, encouraging them to stay longer and giving them a sense of our areas uniqueness. Feels Parks Department should help to provide a facility to house productions such as this. Longhouse, City Pier, VBMCC, Convention center, Ediz Hook Amphitheater.
- Sponsor a 2nd National City athletic contest as an annual event.

Pat Miliron, 1626 E. 8th suggested the following:

- Main interest is having as much green space as possible. Maintain blocks of trees and trails. Obtain more green space.
- Expressed concerned with the underbrush being cut back in Shane Park.

Jewell VanOss, 1019 East 4th contributed the following:

- Develop a park with beach access next to the Cemetery for a long term plan to take the Waterfront Trail up and hopefully to the mouth of the Elwha
- Develop a park with a possible arboretum in the Tumwater Creek Ravine
- Develop a park and trail within Peabody Creek Ravine
- Preserve and protect all ravine areas and open spaces and not let what happened to White's Creek happen again
- Continue the policy of preserving the dead end streets for passive parks and view points.
- Park with beach access developed at the foot of Francis Street
- Further develop Lincoln Park as a tourist attraction
- Continue the waterfront trail development with connecting

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spurs in all ravines, especially connecting to the National Park trails, as well as along Hill Street to the bluff

- Encourage Daishowa to develop a park at the pond area within their site
- More parks on Ediz Hook developed
- Continue the improvements at Vern Burton Community Center, especially kitchen facilities
- Develop improved and enlarged Senior Citizen Facilities
- Would like to see a downtown park developed
- Would like to see the 5 acres at the Fine Art Center developed and utilized. Could be an outdoor theater or possible site for an arboretum.
- Beautification program continued and expanded
- Continue working within agreement between School & Parks, and the work done with the YMCA in developing programs.
- Continue to develop the City's Recreation program to help promote tournaments which enhance tourism.
- Continue to upgrade and add recreation fields. (Drainage at Civic Field)
- In conjunction with the gift catalogue, develop a video and slide program to promote the gift catalog.
- Include within the Comp Plan, along with the catalogue a wish list of facilities which people would like to see happen. If these wishes are in writing, someday someone might get some of this to happen.

C. Lincoln Park Proposal - Jon Didrickson: (moved up in interest of time)

This item is a carry-over from April's meeting. Mr. Didrickson was invited to return to Park Board in order to clarify some concerns board members expressed during the previous months meeting.

Mr. Didrickson addressed questions and concerns which were developed by Park Board and Staff in regards to his proposed

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**PORT  
ANGELES  
CLINIC**

November 19, 1992

Scott Brodhun, Director  
Port Angeles City Parks and Recreation  
E. 5th St.  
Port Angeles, WA 98362

Dear Scott:

I wanted to drop you a note concerning an item that has been of long interest to me. Tennis courts in Port Angeles have been discussed for many years. In the last several months the results of this dialogue have, in part, come to fruition. The new high school courts and the plans for the Erickson Park courts look terrific.

As you know, I have been interested in the concept of exploring opportunities to allow year round tennis in Port Angeles. The Port Angeles Comprehensive Park and Recreation Plan from 1978 listed tennis as seventh out of thirteen activities "most participated in." That study also designated an "indoor recreation center" as a high priority in facilities.

In 1983 and 1984 there was an active public effort to lead a multi-agency effort toward covering all or part of the Erickson Park tennis courts. For a variety of reasons this was not successful at that time.

I would like to request that the Port Angeles City Parks and Recreation Board place "covering tennis courts" on the current comprehensive plan. I would like this idea at least carried into the future. If the idea and dream continues, someday it may be a reality.

Thank you for your attention to this.

Sincerely,

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**APPENDIX B**

**SURVEY OF PARK & RECREATION ISSUES**

**1991**

CITY OF PORT ANGELES  
PARKS & RECREATION

4/25/91

Recreation Opinion Study

COMBINED SHORT & LONG FORM  
ALL QUESTIONS

92 RESPONSES

This survey will be used in the development of a comprehensive parks and recreation plan for the City of Port Angeles. The plan will be used in part to develop a list of top priority projects for the City to pursue. Your household is one of the homes selected to help us better understand the recreation needs of the people of Port Angeles. We would appreciate your taking a few minutes to respond to the following questions and suggestions as fully and accurately as possible. Please return the completed survey to City of Port Angeles Parks & Recreation Department, 308 E. Fourth Street or mail to P.O. Box 1150 .....

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, PLEASE CIRCLE ONE ANSWER LETTER FOR EACH QUESTION OR STATEMENT.

1. How well informed would you say you are about Parks & Recreation Programs?

Very Well Informed	Well Informed	Not Very Well Informed	Not at all Informed	
4%	64%	32%		(1)

2-8. How important do you think it is that the City Parks & Recreation Department Provides recreation programs for each of the following age groups?

	Very Important	Important	Not Very Important	Not at all Important	No Opinion	
Preschool Children under 5 years old	15%	21%	39%	25%		(2)
Elementary children 5-11 yrs	53%	38%	9%			(3)
Middle School age youth, 11-14 yrs	72%	24%	3%	1%		(4)
High School youth, 14-18 yrs.	55%	25%	8%	2%		(5)
Adults, 18-49 yrs	27%	34%	33%	4%	10%	(6)
Adults 50 & over, but still working	20%	39%	33%	8%	2%	(7)
Retired adults	24%	46%	24%	6%		(8)

9-23 The City Parks & Recreation Department presently offers a variety of activities within each of the program areas listed below. What degree of emphasis do you believe should be placed on each program area in the next two to five years?

	A Great Deal	Some	Little	None	No Opinion	
Swimming Programs	62%	33%	3%		1%	(9)
Sports leagues & tournaments	35%	29%	14%	6%	5%	(10)
Sports skill classes (tennis, etc.)	34%	41%	15%	5%	5%	(11)
Indoor drop-in or open play sports (Basketball, Volleyball, etc)	47%	43%	8%	1%	1%	(12)
Indoor drop-in games (pool, ping-pong, cards, etc.)	29%	41%	22%	6%	2%	(13)
Adult education classes (dance, cards, crafts, cooking)	10%	47%	26%	16%	1%	(14)
Physical fitness classes	30%	39%	20%	8%	2%	(15)
Outdoor drop-in games & sports	26%	39%	28%	4%	2%	(16)
Youth special interest clubs (bowling, chess, computer, etc)	26%	33%	24%	14%	3%	(17)
Educational tours & trips	18%	35%	27%	19%	1%	(18)
Activities for the handicapped	34%	48%	14%	3%		(19)
Outdoor education and camping	24%	24%	37%	15%		(20)
After school recreation	47%	38%	12%	1%	2%	(21)
Arts & Crafts Programs	9%	45%	29%	15%	2%	(22)
Adult hobby clubs (photo, lapidary, gardening, etc)	4%	31%	39%	24%	2%	(23)

24. Fees charged for youth programs, with the exception of the Summer in the Parks Program, sponsored by City Parks & Recreation presently cover about 50 percent of direct program costs (leadership, materials, facility use), on the average. What action, if any, do you believe should be taken in regards to youth program fees?

- Reduce fees or provide free programs whenever possible.....33%
- Raise fees to cover greater percentage of costs.....18%
- Retain fees at current level.....33%
- No Opinion.....15%

25. Presently, no fees are assessed for the Summer In The Parks Program, which is designed for youth ages 6 - 12. What action, if any, do you believe should be taken in regards to youth program fees.

- Maintain existing program policy of no fees.....52%
- Set fee to cover 50 percent of program costs.....27%
- Set fee to cover 100 percent of program costs.....9%
- No opinion.....12%

26. Fees charged for adult programs presently cover about 75-100 percent of direct costs. What action, if any, should be taken in regard to adult program fees?

- Retain fees at current level.....59%
- Reduce fees whenever possible.....13%
- Assure that fees cover full percentage of costs.....19%
- No opinion.....9%

27-28.

There are many reasons why people may participate in public recreation programs such as those offered by the Parks & Recreation Department. Please indicate below which reasons, if any, you believe should receive increased attention in planning of recreation programs. (Circle one, two, or three reasons only).

- Affordable Cost.....37%
- Neighborhood Locations.....24%
- Good Leadership.....18% (27)
- Convenient Times.....22%

- Learn New Skill.....16%
- Participate in Favorite Activity....33%
- Good Competition.....36% (28)
- Meet Friends.....16%

29-35. How much do you agree with each of the following statements?

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion	
The Vern Burton Center provides vital recreation services in Port Angeles	36%	52%	12%			(29)
Emphasis should be placed on offering programs at schools or other neighborhood locations	36%	61%		3%		(30)
Small groups with special interests should be encouraged to finance their own recreation activities	27%	24%	33%	6%	9%	(31)
Children should learn early that leisure time can provide opportunities for learning and enjoyment	64%	36%				(32)
Public recreation programs should emphasize beginning skills and appreciations over advanced skills	35%	45%	10%		10%	(33)
Attention should be given to developing private financial support for public recreation programs	25%	50%	13%		13%	(34)
Programs should be established at school sites which coincide with school vacations & breaks	35%	65%				(35)

To assist the Parks & Recreation staff in setting priorities for the next five years, please indicate what level of priority should be set for each of the actions listed below.

	Very High Priority	High Priority	Low Priority	Very Low Priority	No Opinion	
Offering organized recreation programs on weekends	13%	49%	28%	6%	4%	(36)
Offering more daytime classes and activities	7%	33%	51%	5%	5%	(37)
Offering more activities in which families could participate as a group	16%	51%	25%	6%	1%	(38)
Providing daycare services for young children while their parents participate in recreation programs	13%	29%	33%	22%	3%	(39)
Developing cooperative programs within neighborhoods	15%	30%	35%	13%	5%	(40)
Developing cooperative programs with community-wide organizations and agencies that offer recreation services (YMCA, youth sports, libraries, etc.)	42%	45%	6%	3%	3%	(41)
Expanding the use of volunteers in leadership capacities	25%	54%	14%	3%	3%	(42)
Providing drop-in facilities and activities	27%	47%	20%	4%	2%	(43)
Maintaining access to school gyms and other facilities even if a school is closed for summer and/or holiday	40%	34%	16%	6%	4%	(44)
Provide mobil recreation programs such as Stagecoach Theater or Art Cart	13%	32%	24%	22%	9%	(45)
Provide facilities for recreation groups and clubs to conduct their own activities.	30%	41%	19%	9%	1%	(46)

47. How adequate do you believe total recreation opportunities are within the City of Port Angeles considering the variety of service providers?

Very adequate.....13%  
 Adequate.....59%  
 Inadequate.....25%  
 Very Inadequate.....3%  
 No Opinion.....

48. Which of the following types of Recreation facilities, programs, or projects should receive highest funding priority for development in Port Angeles in the next five years? You have 7 checks to use. You may place a check by seven items, place 7 checks at one item or any combination totaling seven.

- 2% Outdoor Tennis Courts
- 5% Covered Tennis Courts
- 2% Baseball Fields
- 4% Softball Fields
- 5% Soccer Fields
- 6% Neighborhood parks with play equipment
- 5% New play equipment at existing sites
- 6% Renovation of existing facilities
- 15% Waterfront Trail completion & extensions
- 6% Increased shoreline access
- 7% Waterfront Park construction
- 8% Enhancement of Vern Burton Community Center
- 1% Football Field
- 4% Golf Course
- 5% Passive settings for picnicking with open areas
- 2% Boat launch ramps
- 2% Non-motorized watercraft launch space
- 2% Structured recreation programs
- 2% Golf Driving Range
- 3% Property Acquisition Ravines
- 7% Property Acquisition Shorelines
- 2% Property Acquisition for ballfield development
- .02% Outdoor hard courts in parks

Others: CALCULATED AT SEPARATE PERCENTAGES:

- 2ND Swim pool: 57%
- Indoor/outdoor BB Courts: 2%
- Teen Drop-in Center: 14%
- Ice Rink: 3%
- Raquet Ball/Handball court: 5%
- Fishing Pier (exclusive): 2%
- Fitness Classes-adults/kids: 2%
- Outdoor Waterslide: 2%
- Roller Rink (decent): 2%
- Concerts/Plays in Parks: 2%
- Place for divorced adults to meet: 5%

49. We would appreciate any further comments or suggestions you may want to add relative to Parks & Recreation for the City of Port Angeles. This could include comments on the questions, general issues, or specific projects you are interested in.

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WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

**APPENDIX C**

**SURVEY OF CITY SERVICES**

**1993**

# Citizens respond to survey

1993 Resident Opinion Survey Results						
	Satisfied			Satisfied		
	Somewhat	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Somewhat	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
Senior Center		86%	14%	Lincoln St.	71%	29%
Vern Burton				8th Street	76%	24%
Community Center		96%	4%	Race Street	85%	15%
<b>Youth Programs:</b>				<b>Police Protection:</b>		
Yes to Youth		92%	8%	DARE Program	93%	7%
Summer Parks				Downtown bicycle		
Program		91%	9%	patrol	90%	10%
Day Trips-				Traffic enforcement		
Special Events		89%	11%	& control	81%	19%
<b>Adult Programs:</b>				Public relations	83%	17%
Softball		88%	12%	Fire Protection	99%	1%
Volleyball		90%	10%	Medic I Program	98%	2%
Swimming Pool		85%	15%	Refuse collection	85%	11%
Basketball		91%	9%	Curbside recycling	90%	10%
Soccer		91%	9%	Water quality	89%	11%
City Hall		92%	8%	Electrical service	96%	4%
Playground		95%	8%	Elec. conservation		
Parks		94%	6%	programs	92%	8%
Ballfields		95%	5%	Sewer service	90%	10%
Waterfront Trail		95%	5%	Utility billing	79%	21%
City Pier		95%	5%	<b>Building permits &amp; Inspections:</b>		
<b>Street Maintenance:</b>				Front counter	67%	33%
Upkeep of potholes		68%	32%	Plan checking	64%	36%
Street sweeping		87%	13%	Field inspections	71%	29%
General cleanliness				Electrical permits		
of City		84%	16%	& inspections	69%	31%
Storm drains and				Planning permits		
ditches		85%	15%	and services	49%	51%
Snow removal and				Performance of		
sanding		81%	29%	City Council	78%	22%
<b>Traffic Flow:</b>				Performance City Mgr.	89%	11%
Downtown		60%	40%			
First and Front		63%	37%			

The 1993 Resident Opinion Survey, included in the September/October *City Report*, asked respondents to indicate their use of and satisfaction with the above City facilities and services. The percentages listed above indicate both respondents' satisfaction and

dissatisfaction with individual facilities and services. Responses which indicated "No Opinion" are not included in the results.

Over 490 surveys were returned to the City by citizens who took the time to

*See Citizen Survey, Cont'd on page four*

## Citizen Survey, Cont'd from page one

answer the questions asked. The survey will now be used by City Council and staff as part of the process of evaluating the strengths and weaknesses of City services. The information will also be used for future goal setting and budget development.

On the whole, response to the survey was very positive. Highest satisfaction with programs and facilities went to fire protection, the Medic I program, electrical service and conservation programs, City Pier, the Waterfront Trail, City playgrounds and ball fields, and the

Vern Burton Community Center.

Residents were also asked to rate suggestions for additional or new City programs. Historic building preservation, expanded energy conservation rebates/loans and housing rehabilitation loans were the top three.

When asked, "If cuts in services are necessary, where should the City begin," respondents suggested cuts be made in finance, administration, promotion, and tourism development.



# CITY OF PORT ANGELES

## 1993 RESIDENT OPINION SURVEY

Dear Citizen:

The Port Angeles City Council is in the process of evaluating the services and programs that the City delivers to its citizens. We want to know the opinions and thoughts of our citizens and would appreciate it if you could take a few minutes to respond to this survey. Your reply will be confidential and will be used only in combination with answers from other city residents, businesses, and property owners.

Your City Council and City Manager

### 1. PLEASE INDICATE BY NUMBER YOUR USE OF AND SATISFACTION WITH THE FOLLOWING CITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES.

5 - Satisfied    4 - Somewhat Satisfied    3 - Dissatisfied    2 - Very Dissatisfied    1 - No Opinion

Senior Center

Vern Burton Community Center

Youth Programs:

Yes to Youth

Summer Parks Program

Day Trips-Special Events

Adult Programs:

Softball

Volleyball

Swimming Pool

Basketball

Soccer

City Hall

Playgrounds

Parks

Ballfields

Waterfront Trail

City Pier

Street Maintenance:

Upkeep of potholes

Street sweeping

General cleanliness of City

Storm drains and ditches

Snow removal & sanding

Traffic Flow:

Downtown

First and Front

Lincoln St.

8th Street

Race Street

Police Protection:

DARE Program

Downtown bicycle patrol

Traffic enforcement & control

Public relations

Fire Protection

Medic I Program

Refuse collection

Curbside recycling

Water quality

Electrical service

Electrical conservation programs

Sewer service

Utility billing

Building permits:

Front counter

Plan checking

Field inspections

Electrical permits & inspections

Planning permits and services

Performance of City Council

Performance of City Manager

### 2. WHICH OF THE SERVICES AND FACILITIES IN QUESTION 1 NEED THE MOST IMPROVEMENT?

Please indicate the top four:

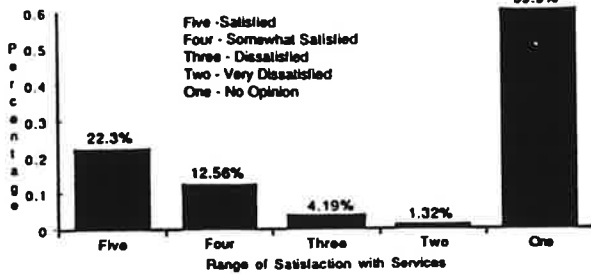
How should we improve the service?

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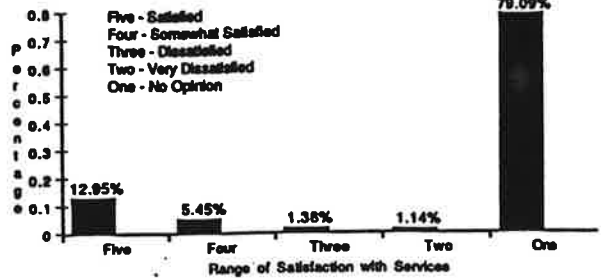
Senior Center - Vern Burton Community Center - Youth Programs - Adult Programs - Street Maintenance - Traffic flow - Police Protection - Fire Protection - Medic I Program - Refuse Collection - Curbside Recycling - Water Quality - Electrical Service - Electrical Conservation Programs - Sewer Service - Utility Billing - Building Permits - Electrical Permits & Inspections - Planning Permits and Services - Performance of City Council - Performance of City Manager

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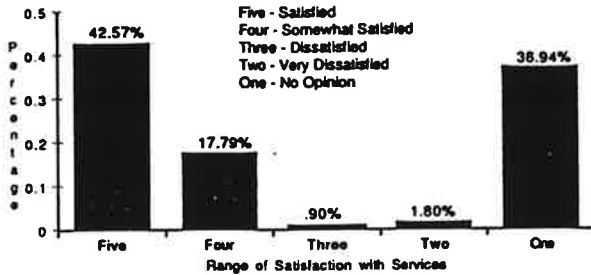
1993 Citizen Survey - Senior Center



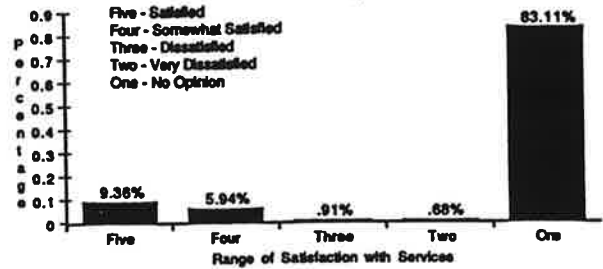
Adult Programs - Softball



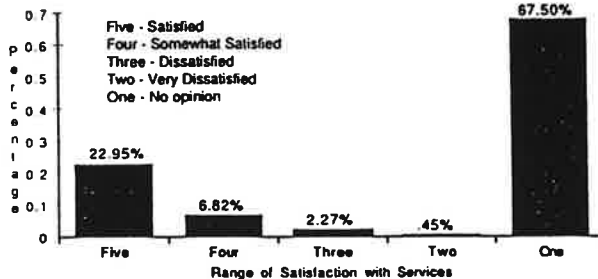
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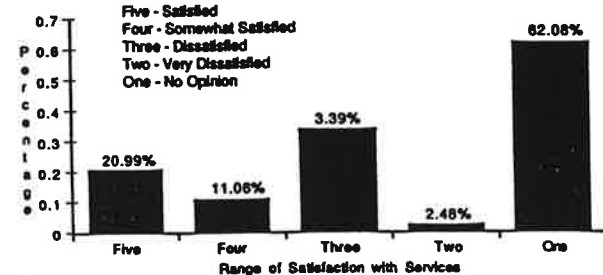
Adult Programs - Volleyball



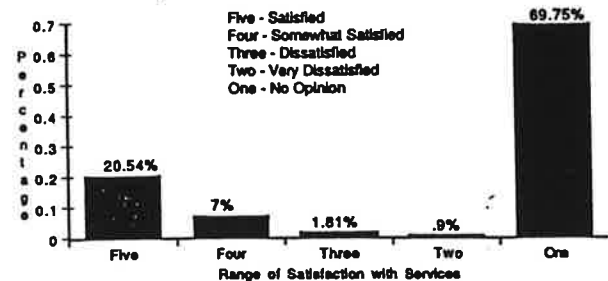
Youth Programs - Yes to Youth



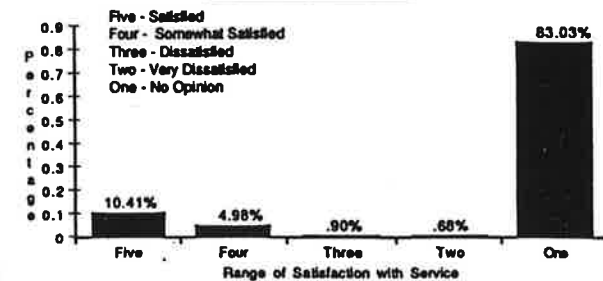
Adult Programs - Swimming Pool



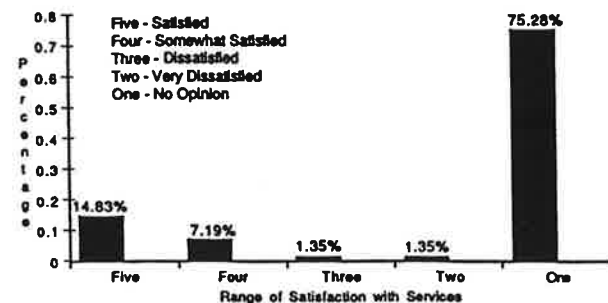
Youth Programs - Summer Parks Program



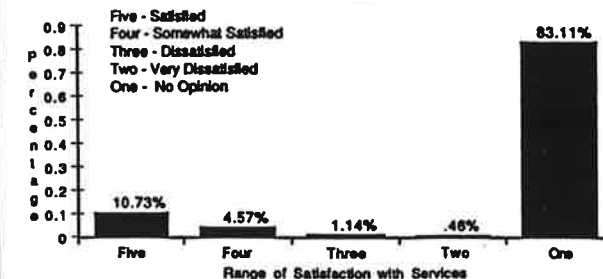
Adult Programs - Basketball

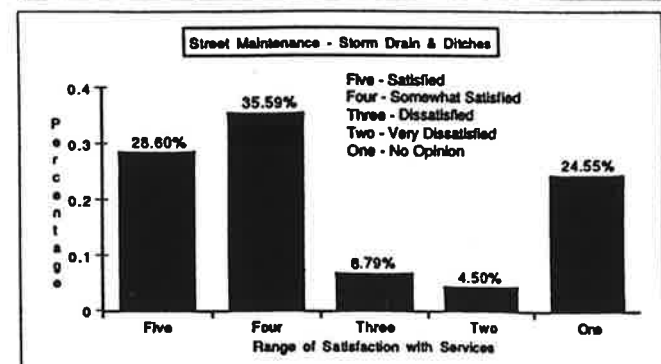
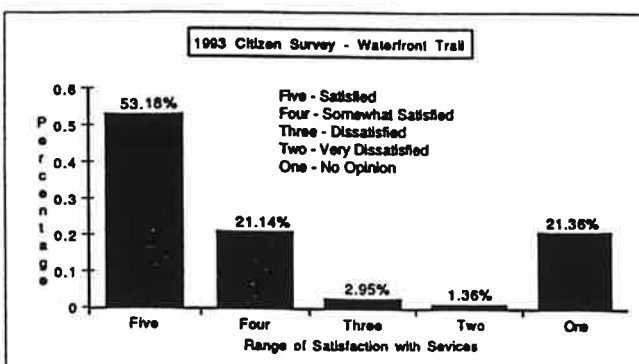
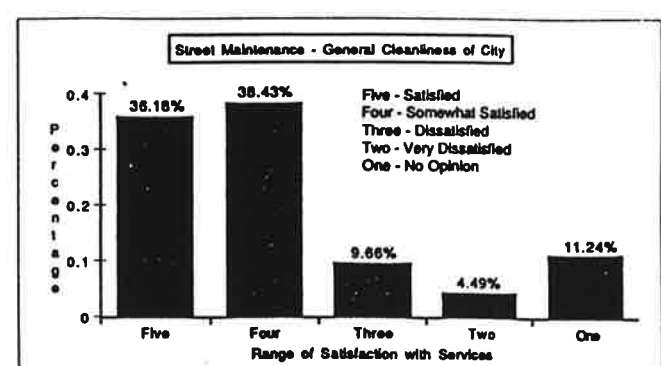
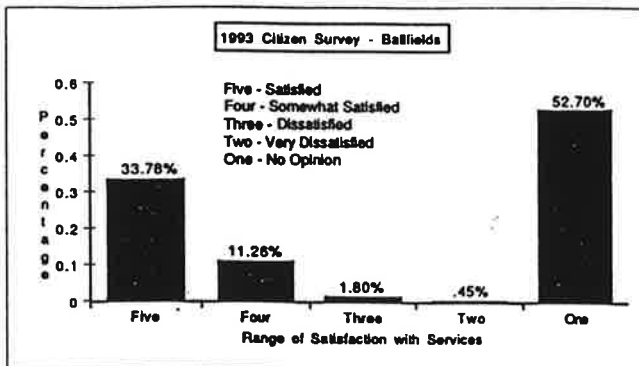
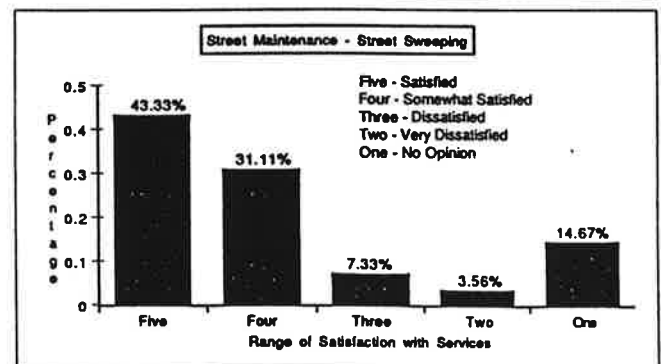
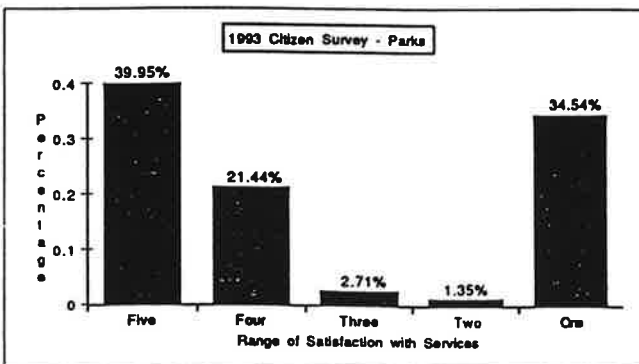
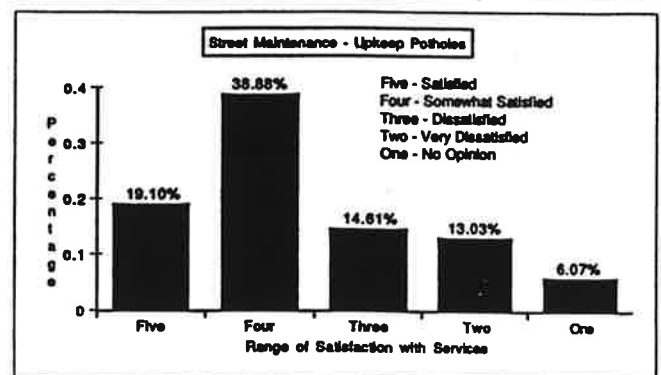
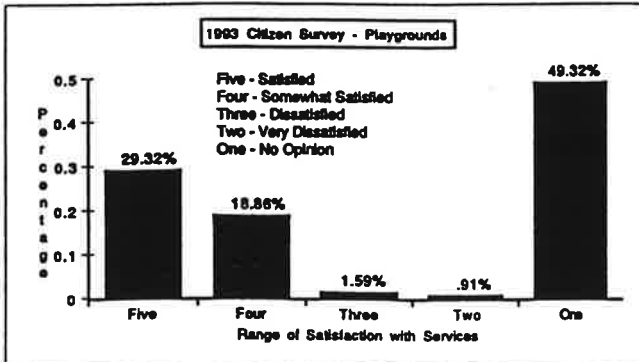
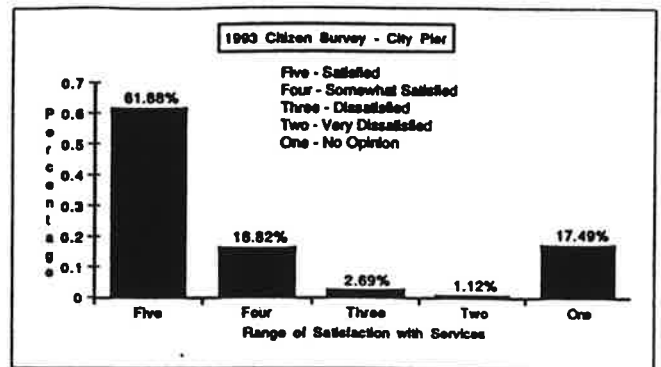
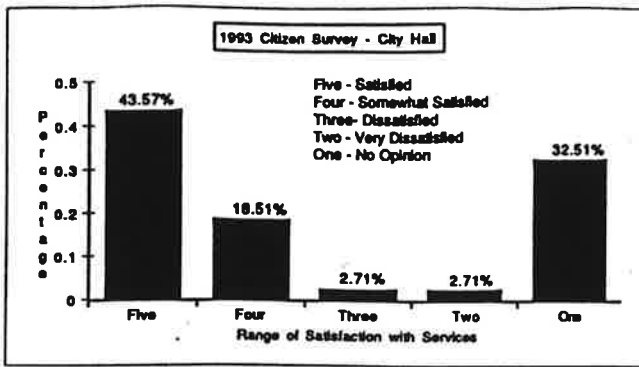


Youth Programs - Day Trips/Special Events



Adult Programs - Soccer



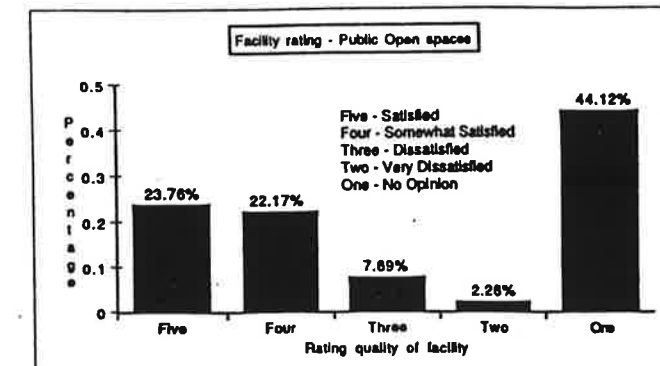
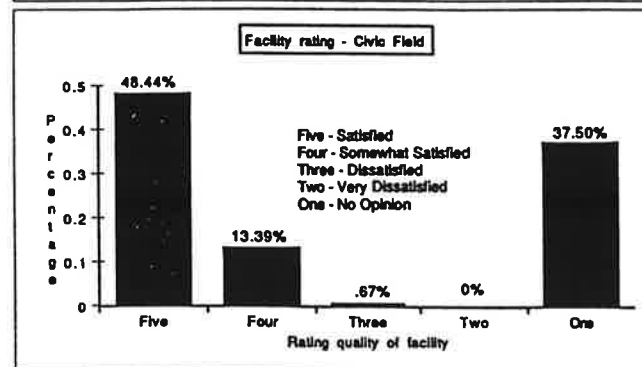
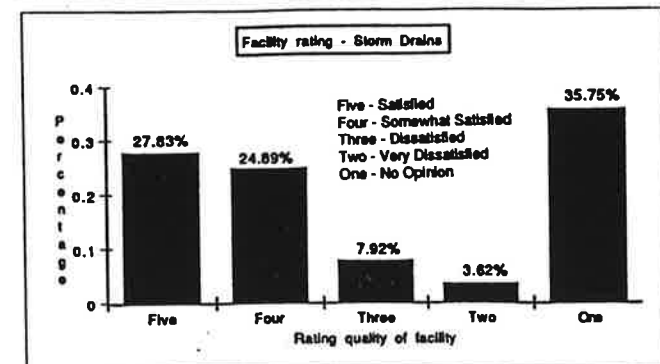
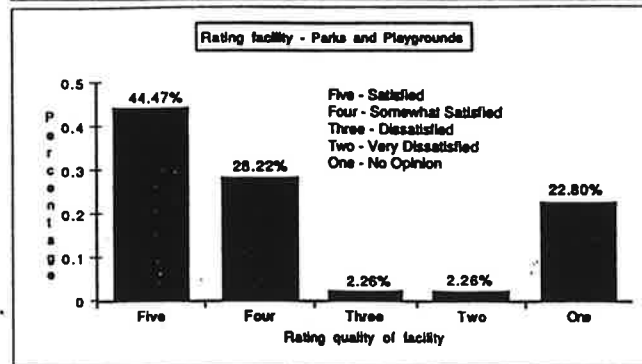
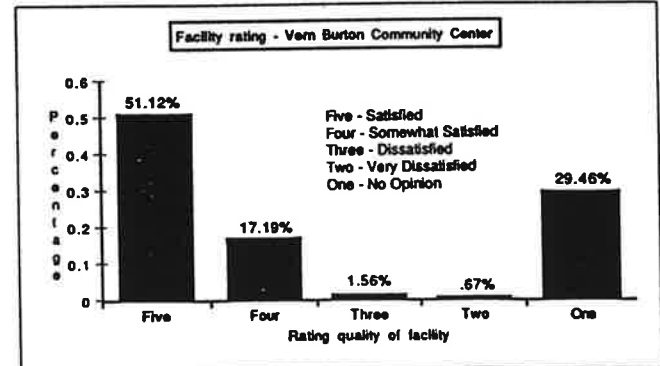
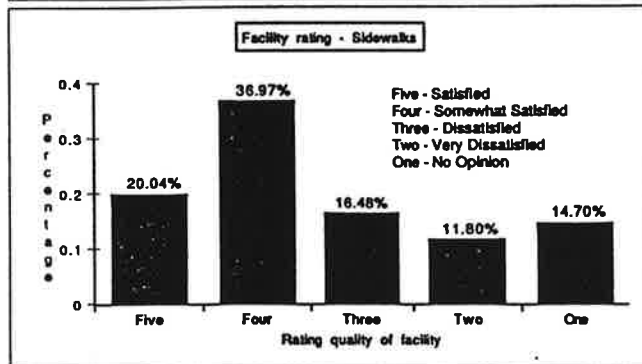
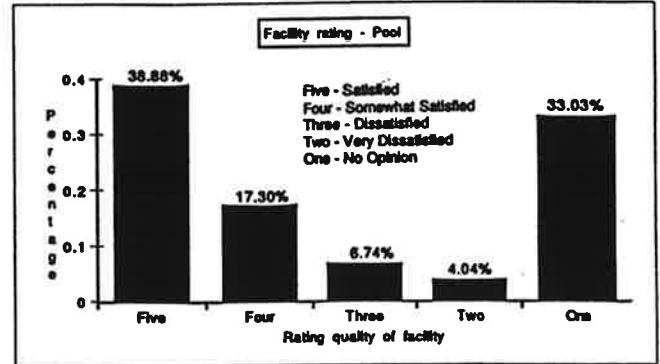
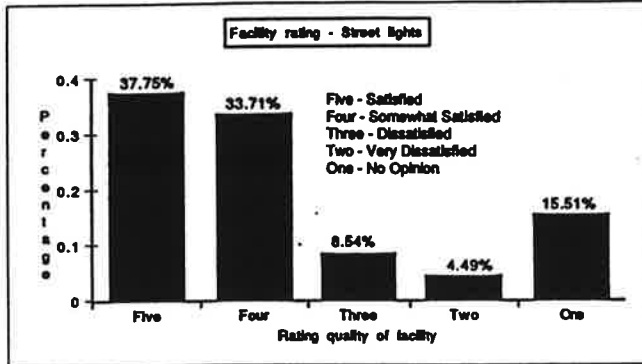
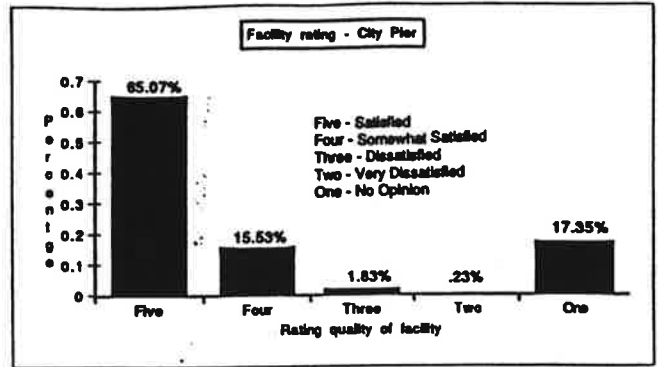
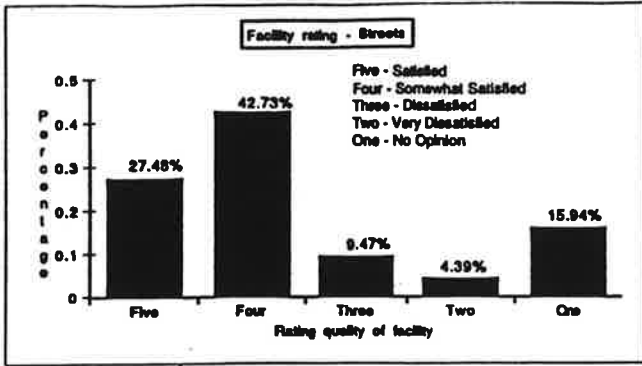


**4. How would you rate the quality of the following facilities for the City?**

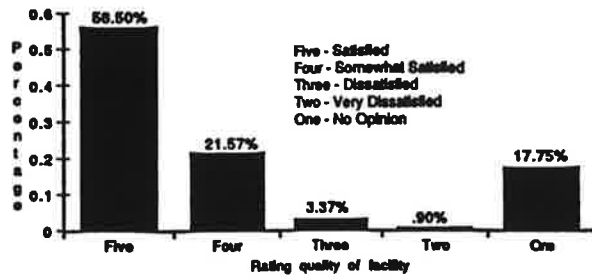
**Streets - Street lights - Sidewalks - Parks and playgrounds - Civic Field - City Pier - William Shore Swimming Pool - Vern Burton Community Center- Storm drains - Public open spaces - Waterfront Trail - City Hall - Ocean View Cemetery**

**Response requested:**

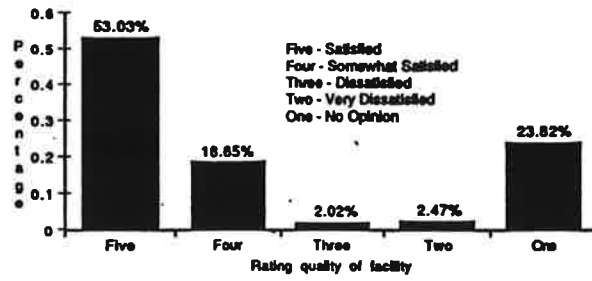
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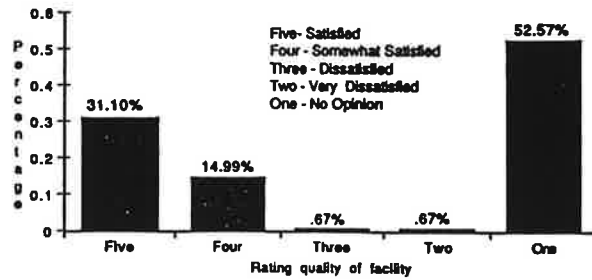
Facility rating - Waterfront Trail



Facility rating - City Hall



Facility rating - Ocean View Cemetery



**APPENDIX D**

**SUMMARY OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING CAPITAL SPENDING**

**1994**

**PROJECT CATEGORIES FOR CAPITAL SPENDING  
1994 PUBLIC HEARING**

	<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1	<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b> New Fire Stations, New Emergency Dispatch, Warning sirens	●●●●●
2	<b>PARKS &amp; BEAUTIFICATION</b> Purchase Property for New Parks	●●●●●
3	<b>RECREATION FACILITIES</b> Pool Enhancements & Additions, Civic Field Enhancements	●●●●●●●●●●
4	<b>STREETS</b> Boulevard Bridge Widening, Complete Milwaukee Drive, White's Creek Crossing	●●●●●●●●●●
5	<b>SIDEWALKS</b> New Sidewalks, Repair Existing Sidewalks	●
6	<b>WATERFRONT TRAIL</b> Lighting, Extension of Trail to the East	●●●●●●●●●●
7	<b>WATER</b> Replacement of Old Water Mains, Modification of Chlorination System	●●
8	<b>WASTE WATER</b> Outfall Repair and/or Replacement, Construct Facilities on the Hook	●
9	<b>STORM WATER</b> Rehabilitate Culvert Under Lincoln St., Construction Regional Detention Pond	
10	<b>SOLID WASTE</b> Closure of Landfill, Construction of Transfer Facility	●●●
11	<b>ELECTRIC</b> Upgrade College Substation, Upgrade 4KV System to 12KV	●●●
12	<b>BRIDGE REPAIRS</b> 8th Street Bridges	●●●●●●●●●●
13	<b>TRAFFIC SIGNALS</b> Lincoln & Boulevard, 8th & C	●●●
14	<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b> New Telephone System, upgrade Geographic Information System	
15	<b>INTER-MODAL FACILITY</b> Studies & Construction	●
16	<b>GOLF COURSE</b> Studies & Construction	●●●●●●●●●●
17	<b>NONE</b>	

