



Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

6:30 PM

Elk River City Hall

Regular Meeting & Work Session Agenda

- Regular meeting in Council Chambers
 - Work Session meeting in Upper Town Conference Room immediately following regular meeting
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CONSIDER AGENDA
4. CONSIDER MINUTES
 - 4.1 05-13-2026 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
5. OPEN FORUM

An opportunity to provide comments and feedback regarding items not on the agenda. Information provided in Open Forum will not be discussed at this meeting; rather, the information will be referred to staff and/or scheduled for discussion at a future meeting.
6. ACTION ITEMS
 - 6.1 Hillside Park - Mural Painting
 - 6.2 Parks and Recreation Framework Plan - Consultant Selection
7. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - 7.1 2027 Capital Improvement Plan
8. PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER UPDATE
 - 8.1 Parks and Recreation Manager Update
9. ANNOUNCEMENTS
10. MOTION TO ADJOURN



**Meeting of the Parks and Recreation
Commission
Held at the Elk River City Hall
Wednesday, May 13, 2026**

Members Present: Chair Stewart, Commissioners Anderson, Goodwin, Niziolek, and Loidolt

Members Absent: Commissioner Varty, Commissioner Fermoyle and Councilmember Grupa

Staff Present: Parks and Recreation Manager Jeff Shelby and Senior Administrative Assistant Dawn Larson

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the meeting of the Elk River Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Stewart.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. CONSIDER AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the May 13, 2026, agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

4. CONSIDER MINUTES

4.1 04-08-2026 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Moved by Commissioner Goodwin and seconded by Commissioner Loidolt to approve the April 8, 2026, Parks and Recreation Commission minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

5. OPEN FORUM

6. PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

6.1 Park Passport

Mr. Shelby presented his report and PowerPoint.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 Burr Oak Park Access Road

Mr. Shelby presented his report. Lee Whiting, 13463 Ranch Rd. Elk River, shared his concerns about the location of his driveway. He bought his property from the people who used to own the Burr

Oak Park property. He reviewed the details he included in the letter that he submitted to Mr. Shelby.

Commissioner Niziolek asked Mr. Whiting what his thoughts were about the city collaborating with him on a land swap agreement to put a parking lot down by the county road for people to access the park, and then he could access his property via the same road. Mr. Whiting said it doesn't interest him. He said he wants more privacy and that it would not be easy to sell his property if there was a parking lot at the end of his driveway. He also pointed out that there will be a parking lot on the north side of the park once the development is done. Commissioner Niziolek said he is trying to produce a suggestion. Mr. Whiting said he understands, but he does not want to add more traffic to his property by adding a parking lot.

Commissioner Niziolek said he always looks for opportunities to help people access parks but also wants to take care of the park neighbors. Mr. Whiting asked what the intended use of the park is. Commissioner Niziolek said the park is 25 acres and there will likely be trails there. He wants to eliminate the road there to help Mr. Whiting out but would like there to be a parking lot to provide access to park goers.

Commissioner Niziolek said the city will eventually own the service road and then Mr. Whiting could use it to connect to his driveway. Commissioner Anderson asked when the city will take ownership of the road. Mr. Shelby said at some point this summer. Commissioner Anderson also asked how long before the parking lot would be ready on the north side. Mr. Shelby said the earliest would be 2027 if not beyond. Commissioner Anderson said he thinks they should move Mr. Whiting's driveway access from the County Road and then give an easement over the parkland property for ingress and egress, and then it can connect to his existing driveway at the point of his choosing. Commissioner Anderson said Mr. Whiting could put a gate across his old driveway entrance by the County Road to prevent people from using it. Commissioner Anderson suggested the city could also extend the agreement to include an egress and ingress to the back of Mr. Whiting's shed, and then he could put a gate up to prevent people from accessing it. Commissioner Anderson said that he is not in favor of selling park property to Mr. Whiting. Commissioner Anderson said the city will need access to the service road for the bow hunters and maintenance, and he does not see the problem with offering an easement.

Mr. Whiting said he did not want that offer. He said that this is the city's problem and the commission is part of the city. Chair Stewart suggested tabling the item since they couldn't come to an agreement. Commissioner Anderson said this is a very unfortunate situation, but the city doesn't even own the property the road is on yet. He would like to find a way to work with Mr. Whiting, but they aren't making any progress tonight.

Mr. Shelby asked the commission what the directions were to staff. Chair Stewart asked if staff had any suggestions for a solution to this issue at this time. Mr. Shelby said no, but if there was interest in the shared road usage, staff could research that in conjunction with planning. Mr. Whiting said he would look at options. Commissioner Loidolt said he agrees that they do need to look at shared options. He confirmed this is not an action item, just a discussion item.

Commissioner Anderson confirmed with the other commission members that there is a consensus to not sell the property that Mr. Whiting is requesting. Commissioner Niziolek said that he thinks it is important to keep this piece of property for access to the park.

Mr. Whiting asked the commission what they thought if he bought a strip of land from a neighbor and sold or traded it back to the city. None of the commissioners commented. Commissioner Niziolek asked if the road would be park dedication property. Mr. Shelby said he will investigate it and confirm.

Chair Stewart said he would like staff to explore options. Mr. Whiting said he is disappointed, and he wants to know who to talk to in the meantime about his driveway issues. Commissioner Niziolek explained that they can only make decisions on park-related issues, not road issues.

Commissioner Loidolt asked if he had considered moving his driveway to the east. Mr. Whiting said he had checked into that, but it would be \$50,000. He said that is too much money for him.

Mr. Shelby said at this point, staff will work with the city planning department to see what other alternatives and solutions they can come up with. He will share the information with all parties to see what is possible.

7.2 Kliever Pointe Basketball Court

Mr. Shelby presented his report. Chair Stewart said he went and looked at the court himself and agreed while it is bad, there are others in a lot worse shape. He said he thinks they could do some repairs to get it through for now. Commissioner Niziolek said he agreed. Commissioner Loidolt asked if they were replacing the whole thing or just the hoop. Mr. Shelby said just the hoop, and it is a 2-to-3-week delivery. He pointed out that the whole court is scheduled for resurfacing in 2030 according to the CIP schedule for about \$30,000. Commissioner Loidolt asked if they could wing out around the base and fill it in, so it is more even. Mr. Shelby said he could get a price quote on that and bring it back next month for approval. He also said that parks maintenance is looking at doing some crack filling and court sealing this summer so they could potentially add this court into the rotation. Mr. Shelby said Parks maintenance is just looking for approval to patch the court for now or amend the CIP if they want it replaced.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Global Unity Fair Event

Mr. Shelby presented his report. Matias Gonzalez, Elk River reviewed his PowerPoint presentation. He showed the commissioners a map of how he planned to lay out the event at the park. He will be working with Karen Wingard, one of the Program Supervisors for Parks and Recreation, on the planning for the event to make sure everything is all set up properly. He will have 20 to 25 volunteers working at the event to make sure it does not go over capacity and the parks stay clean. Mr. Gonzalez will also be collaborating with the police department on security and Central Lutheran Church and the Elk River high school for additional parking.

The event is from 10 to 5pm to be courteous of neighbors and how the noise would affect them. Mr. Gonzalez has contacted groups such as the Lions Club and Knight of Columbus for grants and sponsorships. His goal is to raise \$5000 to put together food bags for immigrant families in need. He is working with the Monticello Diversity Community and Churches to find additional ways to help those in need. He wants to make an impact and make changes in the community.

Chair Stewart pointed out that there are a lot of moving pieces. Mr. Gonzalez said he will be working very closely with Mrs. Wingard to make sure the event will go smoothly.

Moved by Commissioner Niziolek and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the Global Unity Fair Event at Lion John Weicht Park on Saturday, August 22, 2026, with final approval to be given by staff once details are finalized. Motion carried 5-0.

8.2 Park Dedication - Lane Estates

Mr. Shelby presented his report.

Moved by Commissioner Niziolek and seconded by Commissioner Loidolt to approve park dedication for Lane Estates, be paid in cash for one single family parcel, at the applicable rate at the time of recording in addition allow staff to finalize an easement for a trail along County Road 33. Motion carried 5-0.

8.3 DERBA Chair

Mr. Shelby presented his report. Chair Stewart said having it at Rivers Edge Commons Park would create visual clutter and it is already a confined space. Commissioner Niziolek said he is not in support of it. Commissioner Anderson said putting the chair there would detract from the river view and vision of this park. Commissioner Goodwin asked if there were any other places they could put it. Commissioner Loidolt suggested putting the chair in Orono Park. Mr. Shelby said that he didn't think DERBA was in support of that. He thinks they wanted to keep it public and accessible for photo opportunities. Commissioner Goodwin suggested placing it by the Rotary Walk off the Parish bridge or on the patio area by The Edge coffee shop. Commissioner Loidolt said it would be dangerous for pedestrians. The commission is declined to make a recommendation. Commissioner Anderson asked if they needed to recommend that they don't want it at River's Edge. Mr. Shelby said they could just decline to support the motion in the staff report.

8.4 Wind Phone Grant Proposal

Mr. Shelby presented his report.

Moved by Commissioner Loidolt and seconded by Commissioner Niziolek to recommend that staff pursue grant opportunities for a wind phone installation. Motion carried 5-0.

9. PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER UPDATE

9.1 Parks and Recreation Manager Update

Mr. Shelby presented his report.

Mr. Shelby shared with the commission that the deadline for the RFP submissions for the Parks and Recreation Framework plan has been amended to next Tuesday May 19.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Commissioner Goodwin and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to adjourn the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting at 8:10pm. Motion carried 5-0.



Hal Stewart, Chair



Justin Dunford, City Clerk

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Request for Action

To
Parks and Recreation Commission

Item Number
6.1

Meeting Date
June 10, 2026

Prepared By
Jeff Shelby, Recreation Manager

Item Description
Hillside Park - Mural Painting

Reviewed by
Jeff Shelby
Joe Stremcha

Action Requested

Recommend, by motion, the City Council approve the installation of a student-created mural on the container at Hillside Park.

Background/Discussion

Park Steward Derek Burchill introduced the possibility of creating and installing a student created mural on the container at Hillside last year. His wife, Alaina, is a teacher at Andover High School and worked with their art staff and students to come up with a design. The mural would be installed by the students under her supervision. Park Maintenance has offered to contribute toward the cost of the paint.

Financial Impact

Up to \$500 would be used to purchase paint supplies and would be paid using the Park Maintenance budget.

Mission/Policy/Goal

Work with citizens to achieve goals.

Attachments

- I. Potential Hillside Mural

The Elk River Vision

A welcoming community with revolutionary and spirited resourcefulness, exceptional service, and community engagement that encourages and inspires prosperity





Request for Action

To
Parks and Recreation Commission

Item Number
6.2

Meeting Date
June 10, 2026

Prepared By
Jeff Shelby, Recreation Manager

Item Description
Parks and Recreation Framework Plan - Consultant Selection

Reviewed by
Jeff Shelby
Joe Stremcha

Action Requested

Recommend, by motion, the City Council accept the ISG proposal for the Parks and Recreation Framework Plan.

Background/Discussion

Staff received five proposals in response to the published RFP. Three of those proposals were selected for in-person interviews. After careful consideration of those proposals, value, and in-person interviews by both staff and designated commissioners, the recommendation is to select the proposal submitted by ISG.

Financial Impact

The ISG proposal totals \$110,795.

Mission/Policy/Goal

Support the growth and development of the community. Meet changing needs - agile. Work with citizens to achieve goals.

Attachments

1. 2026-05-12_CityofElkRiverParks+RecFrameworkPlan_ElkRiverMN_ISG

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CITY OF ELK RIVER PARKS + RECREATION FRAMEWORK PLAN

Consultant Services Proposal | May 12, 2026



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COVER LETTER



Jeff,

The City of Elk River is making great strides to envision the future of your parks, trails, facilities, and recreation services. With continued thoughtful planning, your park infrastructure can grow resiliently and significantly enhance quality of life. The 2026–2036 Parks and Recreation Framework Plan will support increased active living, community health, and access to recreational opportunities for Elk River residents.

I & S Group, Inc. (ISG) is excited to help the City replace your 2015 plan with a comprehensive plan that intentionally prepares you for the next decade. In doing so, we offer the following advantages:

Actionable Outcomes

The Framework Plan should not only carefully outline future improvements, it must be implementable. Elements in our concepts and plans are backed by expertise from ISG’s creative landscape architecture professionals and funding experts who have secured over \$55 million in grants for community improvement projects—resulting in frameworks that make projects and results happen.

Decisions Made Together

Working in collaboration with Elk River staff and stakeholders, ISG will be true to the process through and through. We will engage in full collaboration with your team and community. Our team will be a dedicated partner who listens to your insights and develops park solutions that are engaging and forward-thinking. Our commitment to engagement will result in a Framework Plan that fulfills the recreational needs of Elk River residents, while helping build consensus with City staff, the Parks and Recreation Commission, and City Council to turn the concepts into reality.

Integrated + Full-Service Partner

To maximize Elk River’s past investments, ISG will apply its full-service expertise—including architecture, engineering, environmental, and landscape architecture—and build upon previous work while assessing your existing park trends. You will be directly supported by two qualified team members and a dedicated project team who are eager to drive the process and support your staff. Our multidisciplinary team of 600+ is also at the ready to support the City’s goals and needs.

ISG is prepared to serve as the City’s dedicated partner. We will listen to your insights first, inspire creativity, and develop an implementable Framework Plan that is engaging and forward-thinking. Together, we will deliver a plan that serves your community for the next decade and beyond.

Sincerely,

Claire Roth, AICP Candidate
Planner

Jay Lotthammer
Development Strategist

PROJECT UNDERSTANDING

PARKS + RECREATION IN ELK RIVER

Elk River is a growing and forward-thinking community. With a population over 27,150, steady annual growth of around 1%, and over 1,400 acres of parks, Elk River continues to attract new families and investment while maintaining its rural history. The City is known for its natural resources, such as the Mississippi and Elk Rivers. This connection to water and outdoor recreation positions parks, trails, and open space as central assets in supporting quality of life and long-term economic vitality.

The City's current parks portfolio is comprised largely of smaller neighborhood parks. There is a growing emphasis on larger, multi-use community parks and determining how the smaller parks could be better used into the future.

2026–2036 Parks + Recreation Framework Plan

The 2026–2036 Parks and Recreation Framework Plan will replace the parks plan from 2015 and establish a flexible, 10-year vision grounded in community values, realistic implementation, and fiscal responsibility. The intent of the Framework Plan is not to create a park-by-park inventory or exhaustive asset documentation, but a system-level assessment that identifies service gaps, aligns facilities and programming with current and future needs, and provides actionable guidance for the Parks and Recreation Commission and City Council. Public engagement, equity, sustainability, and adaptability are central to creating a framework that remains relevant over time.



KEY DEMOGRAPHICS + PROJECTIONS

Source: Esri 2025

Category	2025	2030
Population	27,150	▲ 28,871
Households	9,801	▲ 10,648
Median Household Income	\$102,339	▲ \$110,034
Median Home Value	\$365,201	▲ \$406,120
Annual Property Taxes	\$3,618	▲ \$3,877
Annual Household Expenditures	\$103,296	▲ \$110,793

PROJECT APPROACH

Combining our award-winning parks and recreation expertise, state-of-the-art technology, and a listen-first approach, ISG will work with the City in a collaborative planning approach that follows three phases:



Phase 1 **ASSESS**

Investigation of parks and their surroundings



Phase 2 **ENVISION**

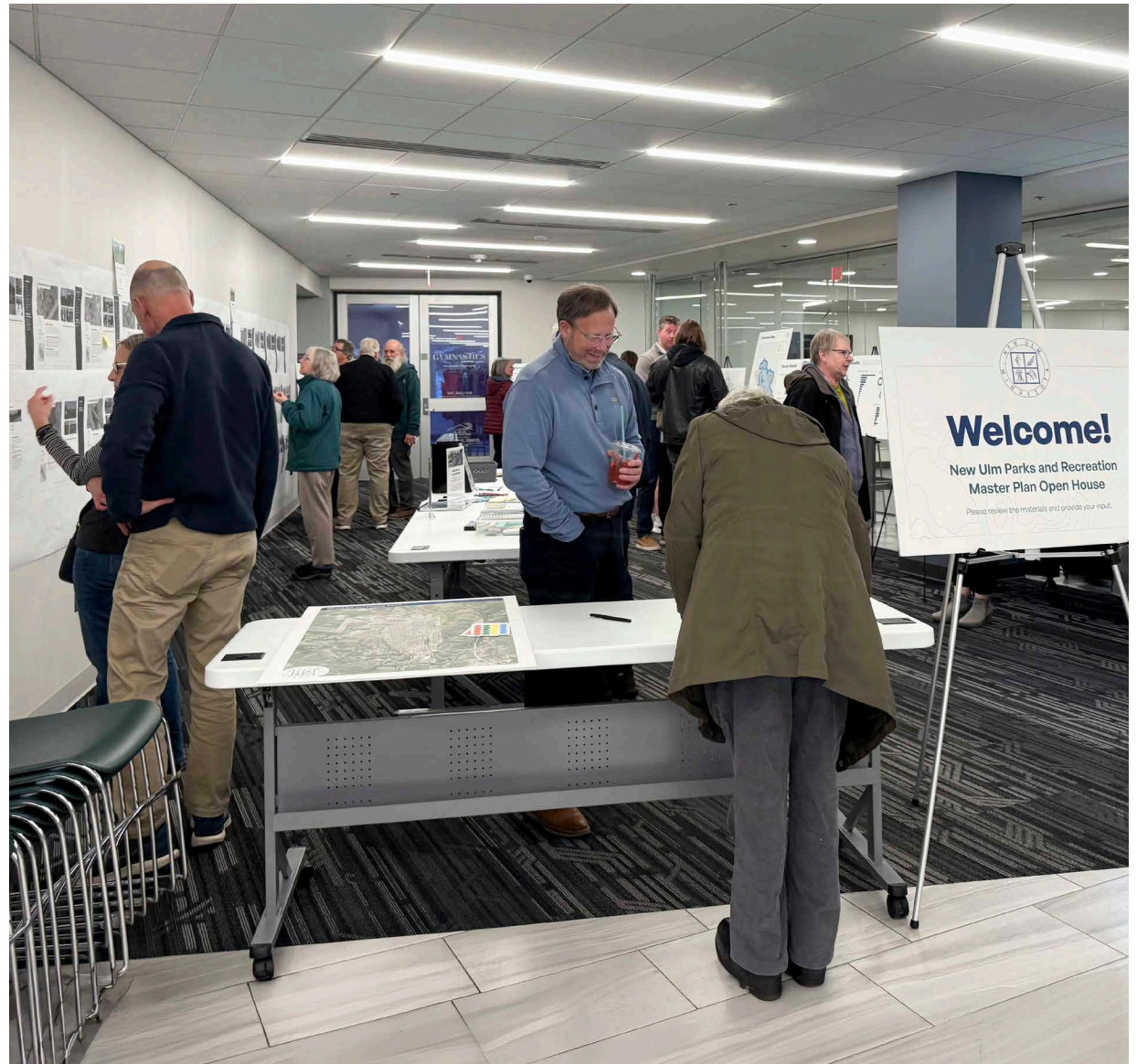
First phase of park system planning



Phase 3 **IMPLEMENT**

Final phase of park planning and finalizing

Continuous Engagement



PROPOSED WORK PLAN

TASK 1

PROJECT INITIATION + MANAGEMENT

When it comes to project management, no detail is too small. Communication with City staff will be the key to success when navigating the parks and open space plan. ISG will leverage our cross-disciplinary experience to provide a schedule and process road map with clear expectations and valuable follow-up.

Kickoff + Project Work Plan

ISG will initiate the project with a kickoff meeting to confirm:

- Expectations
- Goals
- Deliverables
- Roles
- Alignment with Elk River's foundational documents

Following the kickoff meeting, a work plan will be developed to establish the schedule, communication protocols, and decision-making pathways.

Regular Coordination Meetings + Progress Reporting

Clear, mutual, and efficient communication will keep the project moving. ISG proposes to host virtual status calls monthly with the City project management team (PMT) to discuss progress toward deliverables, troubleshoot any issues and work through key report and engagement event logistics. Summary notes and action items will be documented with meeting minutes.

Task 1 Deliverables

- Kickoff Meeting + Meeting Notes
- Monthly Coordination Meeting + Meeting Notes

TASK 2

INVENTORY + ASSESSMENT

Foundational Document Review

Existing data and precedent planning work completed and compiled by the City provides a solid foundation for this planning process. ISG seeks to effectively build on these efforts. We will include a detailed review and synthesis of existing plans, maps, and demographics.

Service + Access Gaps

To complement the City's data, our GIS and planning team will analyze the park system connections and identify opportunities and constraints for service area improvements. We will also conduct a buffer and walkshed analysis to identify geographic service gaps in the system and inform new park development recommendations. We will conduct a comprehensive review of existing amenities and programs to identify any gaps.

Needs + Trends Evaluation

ISG will conduct a needs analysis to understand current and future demands for facility and recreation needs. This will be informed by community engagement.

We will analyze demographic trends, recreation participation, and community characteristics. A needs and trends memorandum will be developed to support innovation and inform future recommendations.

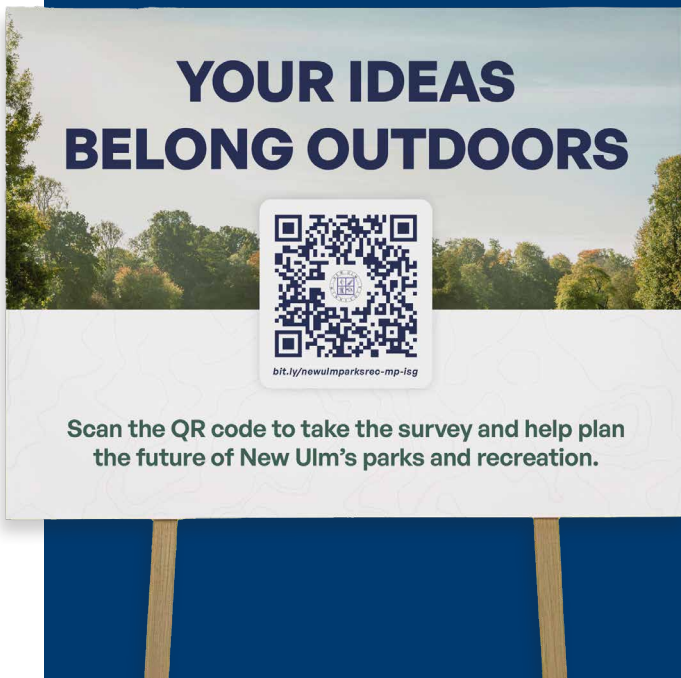
Task 2 Deliverables

- Inventory + Assessment Memorandum

TASK 3

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Based on our park planning expertise and commitment to a comprehensive and equitable process, ISG's community engagement tactics are outlined to guide the project's success. This community engagement plan will be refined with the City during the project kickoff to confirm timing and group involvement. Results from engagement will be synthesized and placed in the final plan.



Website + Survey

ISG will develop an interactive project website using Social Pinpoint to inform community members of the project. This site will direct them to provide feedback and invite them to project events. The site will host an online project survey with an interactive feedback map, where community members may drop comments on different park system map points.

Promotions

ISG will design temporary promotional yard signs that the City can print and place in parks and public places, informing the community about the project while they interact with the parks system. With branded sign designs, the City can grow project awareness more widely with community members and visitors. These yard signs can also be formatted into postcards that the City can print and mail to residents.

Pop-Up Community Events

ISG will set up a project booth at each of the listed community events for no less than three (3) hours for any event that extends beyond three (3) hours.

1. Farmers Market
July 16, 2026 | 3 p.m.–7 p.m.
2. Elk Riverfest
July 25, 2026 | 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
3. Riverfront Concert Series
August 6, 2026 | 7 p.m.–9 p.m.
4. Orono Evening in the Park
August 18, 2026 | 6:30 p.m.–9 p.m.
5. Downtown Trick or Treat
October 23, 2026 | 2 p.m.–6 p.m.
6. Woodland Trails Regional Park Open House
Date to be Determined

At these events, ISG will inform the community of the planning process and collect feedback and visioning ideas in an informal setting. ISG will develop materials with the City to display at the events, including community engagement tactics. ISG also will provide the City with engagement materials for the following additional events.

- Entertainment in the Park
June 18, 2026*
- Elk River Youth Association
Baseball Tournament
June 27, 2026*
- Night to Unite
August 4, 2026*
- Elk River Youth Softball Game Day
*Date to be Determined**
- Senior Membership Drive
December 2026*

**ISG has excluded attendance at these events from the base scope; however, we are prepared to attend and support these events if requested by the City for an additional fee.*



Staff Visioning Workshop

ISG will engage with City staff at one (1) in-person, two (2)-hour workshop. The workshop will capture knowledge from staff about the parks and recreation system and include interactive activities to develop a plan vision statement.

Official Meetings

To engage City officials throughout the planning process, one (1) joint workshop will be held with the Parks Commission and City Council during the planning process. One (1) workshop will be also held with the Council and one (1) workshop will be held with the Parks Commission. The workshops will review emerging issues, opportunities, and system trends. This early engagement improves the clarity of current conditions, reduces the time to investigate group priorities, and minimizes later revisions.

Public Open Houses

ISG will facilitate two (2) in-person open houses for residents to provide input on preliminary plan recommendations. Each open house will be approximately two-to-three (2–3) hours and held after working hours in a central community space. These events will be strategically marketed and potentially coincide with another City event to maximize attendance. We will work with the City to determine the right setting and dates.

ADDITIONAL SERVICE User Group + Stakeholder Engagement Support

One approach is for City staff to lead engagement with user groups and system stakeholders, supported by ISG guidance and materials. ISG will develop a list of topics for the City to discuss with each group. Notes from each of these meetings will be recorded by City staff and shared with ISG to synthesize trends among the groups and understand their respective needs and dynamics. Alternatively, ISG staff are experienced and able to support, lead, and document the user group engagement efforts.

Task 3 Deliverables

- Social Pinpoint Website Launch + Regular Updates
- One (1) Community Survey
- One (1) Yard Sign Promotional Design
- Six (6) Pop-Up Community Events
- One (1) Staff Visioning Workshop
- Two (2) Public Open Houses
- One (1) Parks Commission Workshop
- One (1) City Council Workshop
- One (1) Joint Parks Commission + City Council Workshop
- Additional Service: User Group + Stakeholder Engagement Support



TASK 4

SYSTEM PLAN DEVELOPMENT

ISG will develop a plan draft for community, stakeholder, and City review and input. This will be provided as a memorandum in Microsoft Word and include:

- Inventory + Assessment Results
- Community Engagement Findings
- Improvements Recommendations + Future Needs Identification For:
 - Arts + Culture Programming
 - Natural Resources
 - Risk Management
 - Park Usage
 - Marketing

Task 5 Deliverables

- Draft System Plan Memorandum in Microsoft Word
- One (1) Round of City Review + Updates
- Final System Plan Memorandum in Microsoft Word

TASK 5

IMPLEMENTATION + SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

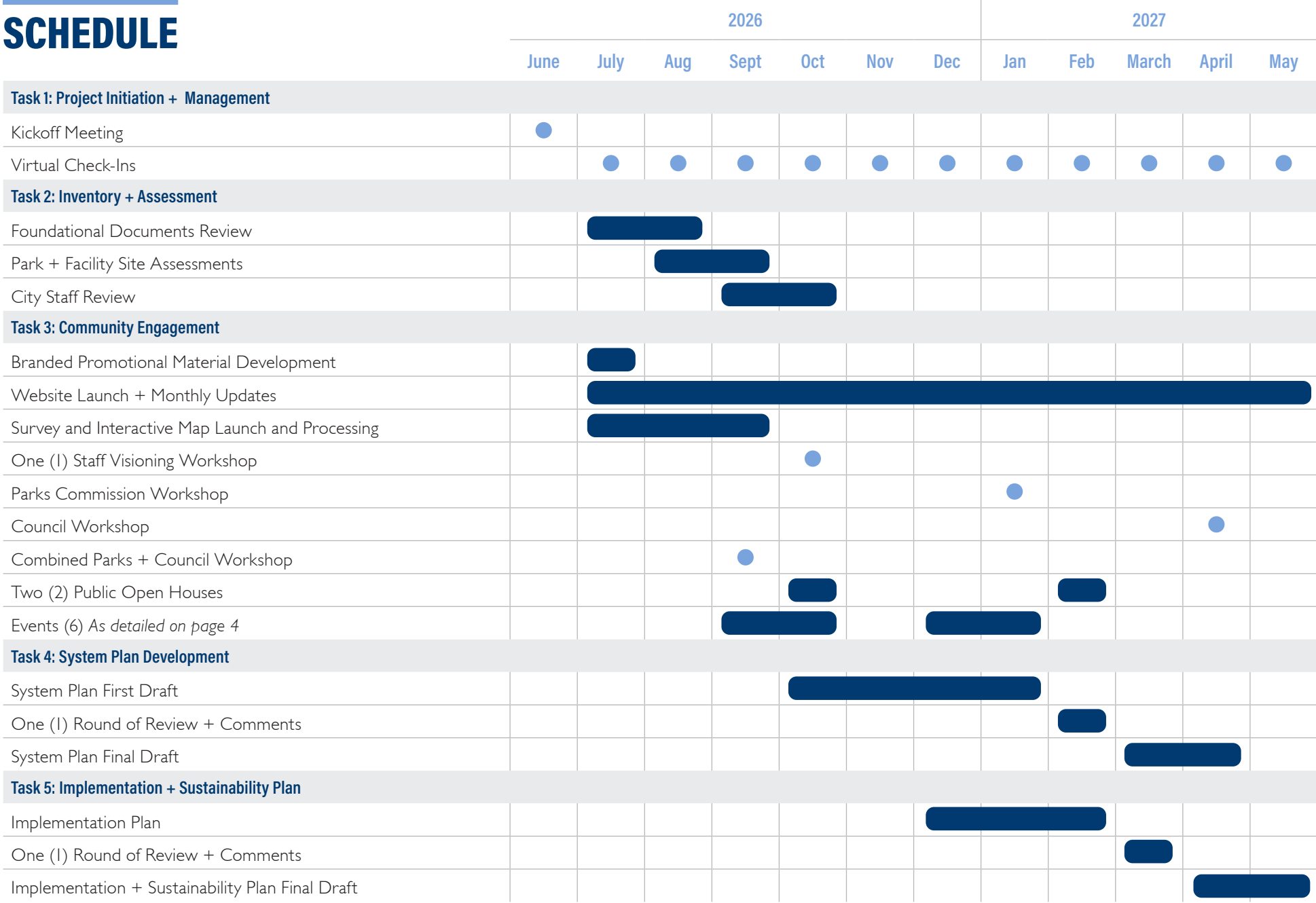
Following plan draft development, ISG and the City will work together to develop an implementation strategy, which will be integrated as its own chapter into the final plan. The implementation and sustainability plan will be a clear, actionable work plan that defines strategies, timelines, and roles to implement the plan and its initiatives. The plan will include:

- Maintenance + Operations Strategy
- Implementation Recommendations
- Capital Improvement Plan
Includes prioritized recommendations and cost estimates for each park
- Operations + Maintenance Costs
- Future Needs Identification
- Funding Options + Sources
- Improvement Timeline

Task 6 Deliverable

- Draft Implementation Plan Memorandum in Microsoft Word
- One (1) Round of City Review + Updates
- Final Implementation Plan Memorandum in Microsoft Word

SCHEDULE



PAST WORK

SIMILAR COMPLETED PLANS

ISG's in-house graphic designers and technical writers work with our park planning professionals to turn ideas and data into clear, well-organized documents. Included are a few examples of similar completed plans.

City of New Ulm Park + Recreation Plan

New Ulm, MN

Project Similarities

- Prioritized active living, community health, and access to recreational opportunities
- Provided comprehensive planning for parks and open space systems
- Assessed recreation programming and provided recommendations for future programming
- Provided robust engagement, offering online and in-person touchpoints with the community
- Prioritized cost estimates and implementation plan
- Community located in greater Minnesota with two rivers



[View the Plan](https://bit.ly/ISG-NewUlmParksRec_MP)

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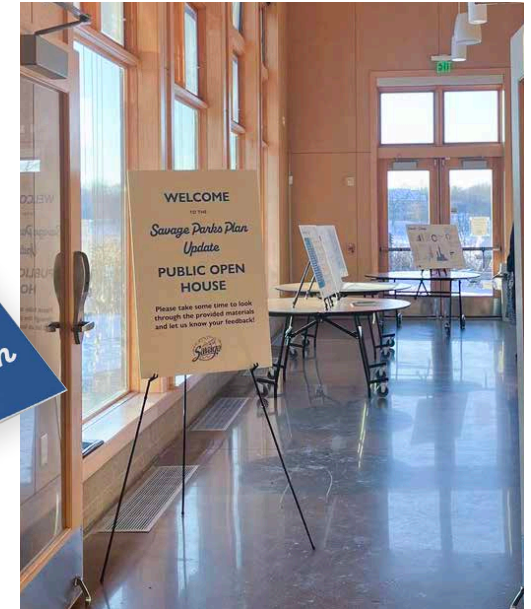
Plan scheduled for adoption in May 2026

City of Savage Parks Plan

Savage, MN

Project Similarities

- Analyzed demographic, recreational, and social trends to guide and prioritize future system investments
- Engaged diverse community input through multiple outreach methods
- Developed a detailed implementation framework with action items, phased cost guidance, and funding sources
- Recommended sustainable, equitable management practices for maintenance
- Updated level of service standards to support a strategic shift toward centralized community facilities to streamline maintenance and capital investment



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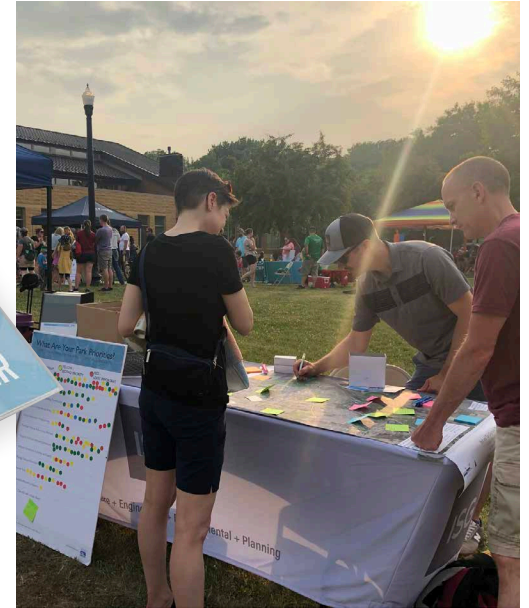
Plan adopted in November 2023

City of Saint Peter Parks Plan

Saint Peter, MN

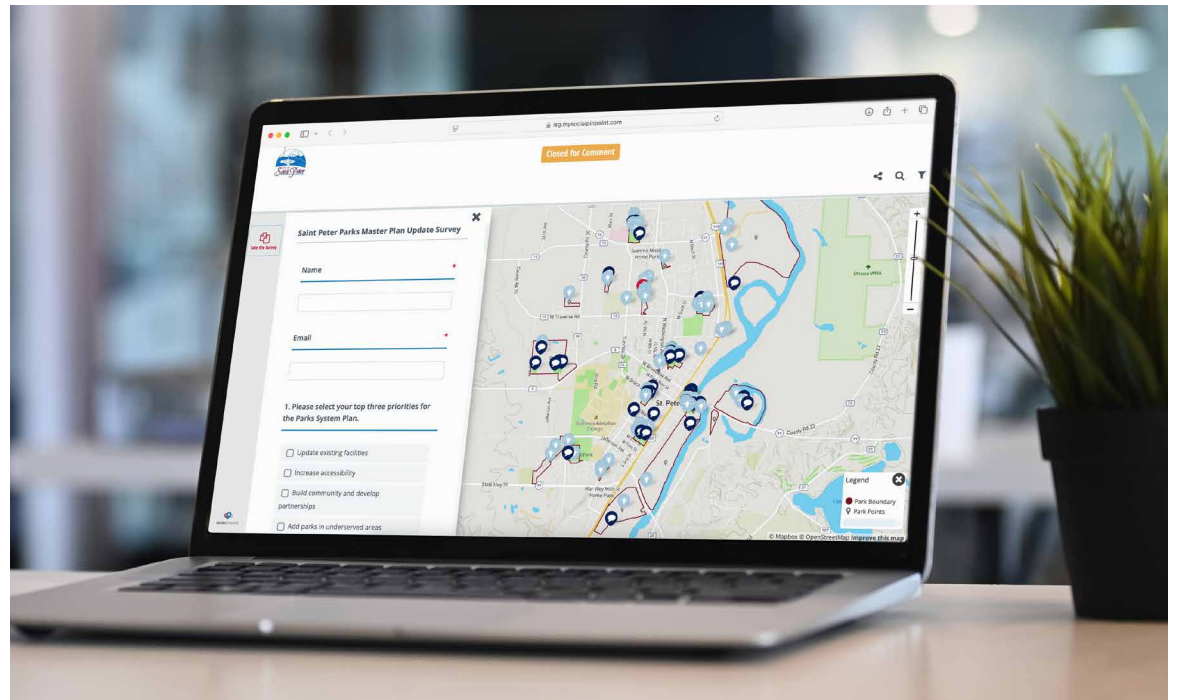
Project Similarities

- Emphasized parks as flexible venues for community programming and social connection, shaped by extensive public engagement
- Prioritized trail connectivity, river access, and natural area integration to support recreation and environmental value
- Focused on phased reinvestment in existing facilities, improved accessibility, and capital prioritization to address safety, deferred maintenance, and long-term operational sustainability



View the Plan

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Plan adopted in April 2026

IN-PROGRESS PARK, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE PLANS



Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update

Coon Rapids, MN

The City of Coon Rapids is proactively updating their 2012 Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan to guide improvements for the next 10 years and prioritize what matters most to residents. ISG is reviewing the existing plan and making recommendations for redevelopment needs, trails, maintenance needs, forestry, and partnerships with public and private entities. The review will inform a long-range capital improvement plan, detailing high-level investment needs and associated costs. ISG will also investigate the park system to gain a familiarity with the parks, facilities, and existing data.

Using the assessment data, ISG is building a customized, interactive parks asset management dashboard to help the City visualize, manage, and plan for current and future park system needs. ISG will support the City in developing a five-year recreation programming plan, grounded in current operations, resident interests, and national best practices.

Plan scheduled for completion in June 2026



Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan

Woodbury, MN

After completing an assessment of the rapidly-growing City of Woodbury's recreation programming, ISG was selected to complete a parks and facilities long-range plan. The plan was set up by the foundational due diligence and context gained during the recreation programming, which analyzed current programs, resident demographics, and socioeconomic trends to understand who the City serves and how their needs are changing.

As the City continues to grow in population and in resident diversity, parks and facilities must evolve as well. The long-range plan will serve as an implementable road map that aligns community desires, demographics, existing conditions, and the City's ongoing investment strategies. To guide capital planning and policy, the plan will define a clear vision and guiding principles, evaluate current and future needs, identify gaps and opportunities, and provide prioritized, cost-informed recommendations.

Plan scheduled for completion in April 2027

REFERENCES

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Park and Recreation Director

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City of Woodbury

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Greg Boatman

Public Works Director

City of Savage

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Claire Roth [led] our project with exceptional skill. ISG has lived up to their proposal every step of the way. From public engagement to researching national and local data to support their recommendations, ISG has been exceptional to work with as partners. Communication throughout the process has been clear and concise, utilizing Microsoft Teams for every other week check-in meetings. Staff and Claire have always been available to answer questions. I say with confidence that the City is in very good hands with ISG.

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Greg Boatman

COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN

	Claire Roth, AICP Candidate Project Lead	Jay Lotthammer Park + Recreation Planner	Shealynn Wegner, AICP Candidate Planning Support	Danyelle Pierquet, PLA QA/QC + Cost Estimating	Luis Swanson GIS + Data Mapping	Jake Guzik, PE Multimodal Transportation	Adam Voth, AIA, NCARB Architect	Kelsey Kneeland, MBA Community Engagement Strategist	Paul Marston, CFM Environmental Review	
1: Project Initiation + Management	\$10,285									
Phase Hours	36	17	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	
2: Inventory + Assessment	\$10,670									
Phase Hours	10	10	28	0	15	0	0	0	0	
3: Community Engagement	\$42,205									
Phase Hours	91	60	4	0	0	0	0	111	0	
4: System Plan Development	\$19,950									
Phase Hours	20	18	28	2	20	0	2	20	8	
5: Implementation Plan	\$27,685									
Phase Hours	32	23	51	22	0	10	4	20	0	
Total Project Hours	189	128	113	24	37	10	6	151	8	
Hourly Rate	\$170	\$205	\$140	\$230	\$200	\$215	\$170	\$125	\$205	
Total	\$110,795	\$32,130	\$26,240	\$15,820	\$5,520	\$7,400	\$2,150	\$1,020	\$18,875	\$1,640

Budget Performance

ISG has not, in any instance, requested compensation beyond the NTE fee established in our original fee proposals. We consistently deliver the agreed-upon scope of services within the approved NTE amount, and our client references can attest to this practice. ISG is firmly committed to honoring its original fee proposal and managing projects responsibly within the agreed budget. If circumstances arise that would require additional effort beyond the original scope of work, ISG addresses those situations transparently and only through mutual agreement with the client prior to performing any out-of-scope services.

ATTACHMENT B: CONSULTANT BACKGROUND + QUALIFICATIONS

FIRM BACKGROUND

ISG has a rich history, that extends over 50 years, of building trusting relationships with clients, stakeholders, and the community. As a multidisciplinary firm that is 100% owned by employees, ISG serves numerous business units and fosters strong collaboration between all disciplines, providing clients a diverse knowledge base, high level of creativity, and broad perspective.

ISG's business philosophy is centered around building relationships and constantly adding value through new and creative technologies, professionals, and ideas. ISG's flexibility makes it possible; our focus and innovative solutions make it happen.

600+

Multidisciplinary Professionals

150+

Planning Projects Since 2021

< 50 MINUTES

From ISG To Elk River



PARKS PLANNING EXPERIENCE

ISG's recreation team lives and breathes the outdoors. We understand innovative and unique amenities are attractive to residents and visitors, serving as a powerful tool to share all that Elk River has to offer. Building on our field of planning experience, we will help the City plan a park system that is efficient, sustainable, inclusive, and responsive to community needs. The impact of this plan will influence quality of life, recreational opportunities, and environmental stewardship for years to come.

PARKS + TRAILS EXPERTISE

Amphitheaters

Campgrounds

Community Gardens

Event Spaces

Exploration Areas

Fishing Piers, Docks, and Observation Decks

Gateways

Historic Building Preservation

Memorial + Specialty Art Integration

Local, State, and Regional Parks and Trails

Marinas

Multimodal, Water, and Nature Trails

Pavilions, Shelters, and Gathering Nodes

Playgrounds

Playscapes

Plazas + Courtyards

Pools + Splash Pads

Urban Parks

Water Features

Waterway Access

Wayfinding Signage

PROJECT TEAM

Staffing Plan

The staff outlined on this page will be dedicated to executing the 2026–2036 Parks and Recreation Framework Plan. **No subconsultants will be necessary for this project.** This team comes backed by over 600 multidisciplinary professionals who are committed to providing excellent service and timely delivery.

Core Team



Claire Roth, AICP Candidate

Role: Project Lead



Jay Lotthammer

Role: Park + Recreation Planner

Support Team



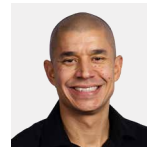
Shealynn Wegner, AICP Candidate

Role: Planning Support



Danyelle Pierquet, PLA

Role: QA/QC + Cost Estimating



Luis Swanson

Role: GIS + Data Mapping



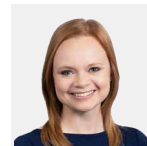
Jake Guzik, PE

Role: Multimodal Transportation



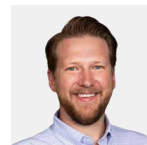
Adam Voth, AIA, NCARB

Role: Architect



Kelsey Kneeland, MBA

Role: Community Engagement Strategist



Paul Marston, CFM

Role: Environmental Reviewer



Claire Roth, AICP Candidate

Role: Project Lead

Fueled by enthusiasm for fostering connections, Claire will oversee the planning process from start to finish. She will oversee community engagement and lead planning endeavors with finesse, using her knack for asking pertinent questions to spark dialogue and inspire collaboration with key stakeholders. From the initial stages to the final execution, she will listen with intent, develop strategies that unite diverse voices, and promote inclusive participation. Drawing upon her comprehensive project management experience, Claire will collaborate with the City and ISG to seamlessly navigate the planning process and remain on track with milestone progress.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies
University of Minnesota

Project Experience

Park + Recreation Plan
New Ulm, MN

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update
Coon Rapids, MN

Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN

Parks Planning
Savage, MN + Saint Peter, MN



Jay Lotthammer

Role: Park + Recreation Planner

For 35 years, Jay has dedicated his career to enhancing recreation, park, and trail opportunities that support active and engaged communities. His expertise and leadership in facility planning and program development has supported lasting, high-quality recreational experiences for residents across Minnesota. Since joining ISG in the past year, he has helped numerous communities plan their park systems and community assets. While serving as the parks and recreation director for the City of Eden Prairie, he led development of their Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Guide Plan as well as the expansion of the community center and the development of premier athletic complexes, multi-use trails, and neighborhood parks.

Education

Master of Arts in Sport Management
University of Minnesota

Project Experience

Park + Recreation Plan
New Ulm, MN

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update
Coon Rapids, MN

Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN

Recreation Program Assessment
Woodbury, MN



Shealynn Wegner, AICP Candidate

Role: Planning Support

Shealynn helps create practical solutions and achieve measurable results that benefit communities across the Midwest. From creating funding priorities for municipalities to assessing industrial sites and revitalizing downtown areas, Shealynn will work closely with the City to set and accomplish clear objectives. Shealynn and Claire will collaborate to develop inclusive engagement strategies, research funding opportunities, navigate regulatory requirements, and evaluate projects. Her goal is to improve infrastructure, sustainability, and community resilience in Elk River.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Community + Environmental Sociology
University of Wisconsin–Madison

Project Experience

Park + Recreation Plan
New Ulm, MN

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update
Coon Rapids, MN

Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN

Recreation Program Assessment
Woodbury, MN



Danyelle Pierquet, PLA

Role: QA/QC + Cost Estimating

With over 20 years of landscape architecture experience, Danyelle brings expertise in long-range parks and open space planning. Her work is a commitment to shaping park systems that reflect the needs, values, and aspirations of communities. She prioritizes inclusive engagement, data-driven insights, and thoughtful design strategies so each plan becomes a tool that supports community recreation. Danyelle will help balance creativity with pragmatic solutions in the Framework Plan.

Education

Master of Landscape Architecture
University of Minnesota

Project Experience

Park + Recreation Plan
New Ulm, MN

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update
Coon Rapids, MN

Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN

Parks Planning
Savage, MN + Saint Peter, MN



Luis Swanson

Role: GIS + Data Mapping

With nearly two decades of expertise, Luis leads the GIS team to optimize tools and services and explore how GIS applications can enhance project value. He excels in spatial data analysis, evaluating infrastructure, land use, and environmental factors. This skill and knowledge will aid in informing decision making, resource optimization, and visualizing geographic-scale impacts throughout the planning process.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Geography, GIS Track
University of Minnesota

Project Experience

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update
Coon Rapids, MN

Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN

GIS On-Call Services
Vadnais Heights, MN

GIS On-Call Services
Mendota Heights, MN



Jake Guzik, PE

Role: Multimodal Transportation

Jake has been instrumental in all aspects of municipal engineering for multiple communities throughout the Midwest, from strategic capital improvement planning to routine infrastructure maintenance. His 13+ years of civil engineering expertise is reinforced by his active participation in the American Public Works Association (APWA) and the City Engineer's Association. He serves on the planning commission for the City of Woodbury. His blend of technical expertise and interpersonal effectiveness will make him an asset to this parks planning effort.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
University of Minnesota

Project Experience

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update
Coon Rapids, MN

Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN

GIS On-Call Services
Vadnais Heights, MN

GIS On-Call Services
Mendota Heights, MN



Adam Voth, AIA, NCARB

Role: Architect

Adam has a vast range of project expertise in the public sector, including government, cultural, sports, recreation, and education projects. Adam works directly with clients and team members through all phases of design, actively listening and identifying specific project requirements and broader contextual forces to establish the unique circumstances that inform and enhance each deliverable. Adam approaches each project with the belief that architecture can create direct, meaningful impacts for communities.

Education

Master of Architecture
University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Project Experience

- Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN
- Comprehensive Parks + Recreation System Planning
Winona, MN
- DASH Center
Onalaska, WI
- Mississippi Dunes Park Reserve Building Plan
Cottage Grove, MN



Kelsey Kneeland, MBA

Role: Community Engagement Strategist

With expertise in community engagement and digital communications, Kelsey is a focused and proactive communicator that provides strategic insight to clients, stakeholders, and community members to increase project awareness and provide education to end users. Kelsey has experience developing online community surveys, Social Pinpoint sites, and project websites to engage and communicate with stakeholders. She will work with Jay and Claire to progress a customized engagement approach for the 2026–2036 Parks and Recreation Framework Plan.

Education

Master of Science in Educational Leadership
Minnesota State University, Mankato

Project Experience

- Park + Recreation Plan
New Ulm, MN
- Parks Planning
Savage, MN + Saint Peter, MN
- Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trail System Plan Update
Coon Rapids, MN
- Parks + Facilities Long-Range Plan
Woodbury, MN



Paul Marston, CFM

Role: Environmental Reviewer

Paul brings specialized expertise in hydrology, water quality, watershed planning, and stormwater best management practices (BMPs). He uses advanced modeling tools to pinpoint ideal BMP locations and add green infrastructure into park designs. Paul is proactive in identifying potential site and water-related challenges before they impact schedule or design. He will reinforce development of sustainable and resilient park system solutions for Elk River.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science
University of Iowa

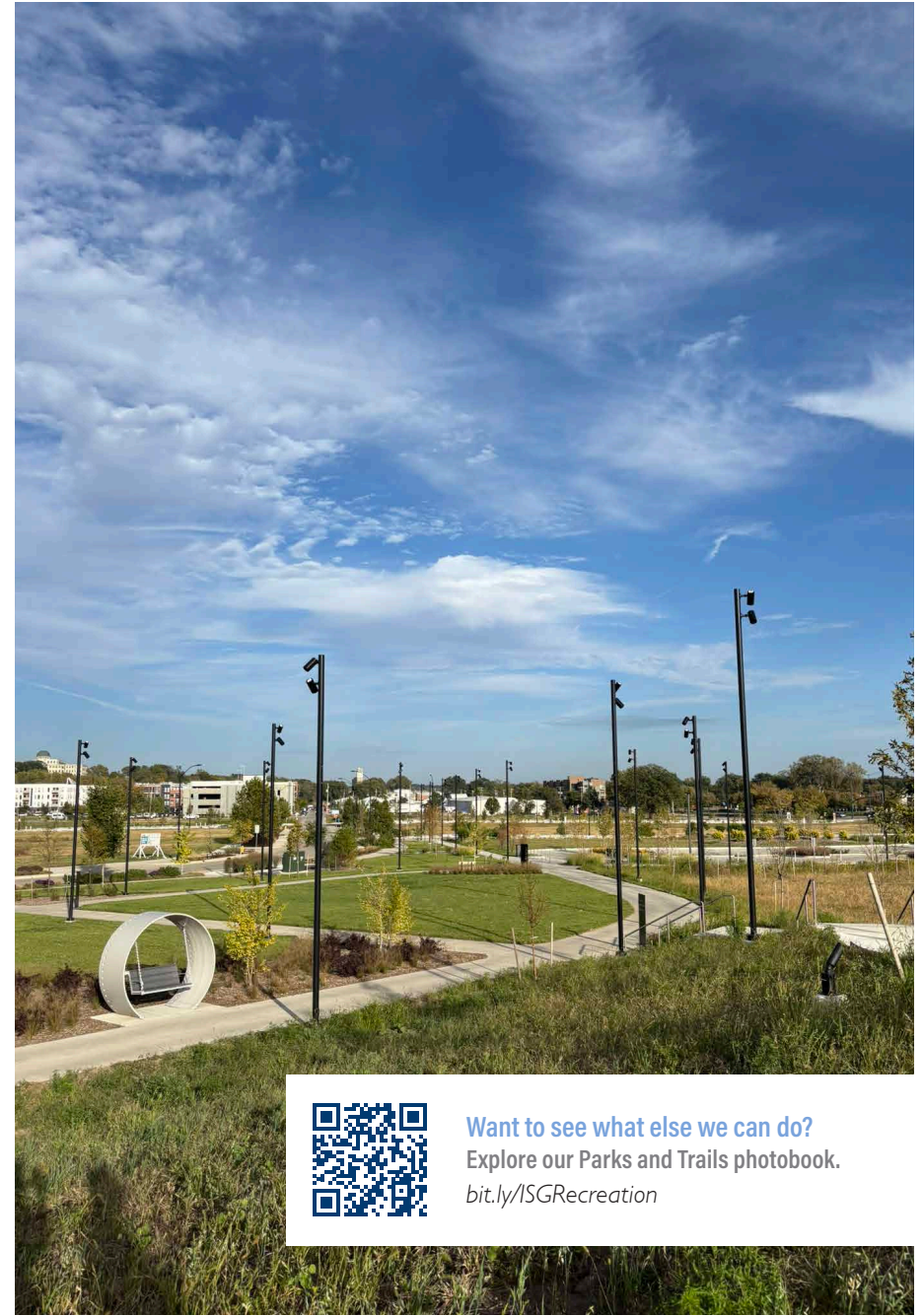
Project Experience

East River Recreational Trail Plan
Allouez, WI

Raccoon River Access + Trail
West Des Moines, IA

Le Sueur River Watershed Development Plan
Waseca, MN

Mississippi Saint Cloud One Watershed One Plan
Foley, MN



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BUSINESS UNITS

- Commercial
- Education
- Energy
- Food + Industrial
- Government + Cultural
- Healthcare
- Public Works
- Residential + Mixed-Use
- Sports + Recreation
- Telecommunications + Utilities
- Transportation
- Water

LOCATIONS

- Arkansas
- Iowa
- Minnesota
- North Carolina
- Ohio
- Pennsylvania
- South Dakota
- Wisconsin

On January 12, 2017, ISG formally announced its transition of firm ownership to a 100% employee stock ownership plan (ESOP). As a multidisciplinary firm that started 50+ years ago, ISG has since grown to be a Top 500 Design Firm as recognized by Engineering News-Record (ENR), a Zweig Group Hot Firm, and Zweig Group Best Firm to Work For, illustrating the progressive increase in talent, expertise, and market share.





Request for Action

To
Parks and Recreation Commission

Item Number
7.1

Meeting Date
June 10, 2026

Prepared By
Jeff Shelby, Recreation Manager

Item Description
2027 Capital Improvement Plan

Reviewed by
Jeff Shelby
Joe Stremcha

Action Requested

Discuss the current Capital Improvement Plan to help form the 2027 Capital Improvement Plan

Background/Discussion

The current Capital Improvement Plan that includes both the Park Dedication Fund and the Park Improvement Fund is included for review. Staff will present proposed changes based on staff assessments of current amenities, available funding, and future potential funding options. The commission is asked to discuss staff's proposed changes. Staff will take results of the discussion to form a proposed Capital Improvement Plan for 2027 and will bring that plan to the commission in July.

Financial Impact

To be determined.

Mission/Policy/Goal

Responsible for every dollar - good stewards.

Attachments

- I. Park Imp - Park Dedication 2025-2030

The Elk River Vision

A welcoming community with revolutionary and spirited resourcefulness, exceptional service, and community engagement that encourages and inspires prosperity

**City of Elk River
Park Dedication Fund**

	2025 Estimate	2026 Estimate	2027 Estimate	2028 Estimate	2029 Estimate	2030 Estimate
Cash Balance - Beginning	\$365,854	\$465,470	\$202,250	\$134,530	(\$134,190)	\$45,590
Revenues:						
Park dedication	198,701	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
Sale of property - Pinewood CD	-	28,780	28,780	28,780	28,780	28,780
State Aid - Mega Loop Trail	623,776					
Interest	1,789	8,000	3,500	2,500	1,000	1,000
Total Revenues	824,266	186,780	182,280	181,280	179,780	179,780
Expenditures:						
County Projects - Cost share	-	250,000	-	-	-	-
Hillside Parking Lot	-	-	250,000	-	-	-
Highway 10 Trail	-	200,000	-	-	-	-
Oak Knoll Athletic Complex	-	-	-	450,000	-	-
Trail Development - Mega Loop Trail	113,768	-	-	-	-	-
Mississippi Trail	410,197	-	-	-	-	-
Park dedication credit - Tiller	59,785	-	-	-	-	-
Jackson Street Water Tower Park	24,750	-	-	-	-	-
Maher property purchase	116,150	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	724,650	450,000	250,000	450,000	-	-
Revenues over/(under) Expenditures	99,616	(263,220)	(67,720)	(268,720)	179,780	179,780
Cash Balance - Ending	\$465,470	\$202,250	\$134,530	(\$134,190)	\$45,590	\$225,370

**City of Elk River
Park Improvement Fund**

	<u>2025 Estimate</u>	<u>2026 Estimate</u>	<u>2027 Estimate</u>	<u>2028 Estimate</u>	<u>2029 Estimate</u>	<u>2030 Estimate</u>
Cash Balance - Beginning	\$336,308	\$584,726	\$667,476	\$113,476	(\$951,524)	(\$1,627,324)
Revenues:						
Interest Income	14,080	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Lacrosse - Oak Knoll Lights	4,450	-	-	-	-	-
Sponsorships	15,885	35,000	35,000	-	35,000	35,000
Donations	7,300	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer In-Liquor Fund	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000
Total Revenues	291,715	295,000	286,000	251,000	286,000	286,000
Expenditures:						
Parks and Recreation master plan	4,189	100,000	-	-	-	-
WHHCA Friends of the Mississippi partnership	6,250	6,250	-	-	-	-
Barrington Park basketball court	-	-	-	-	30,000	-
Country Crossing basketball court	-	-	10,000	-	-	-
Country Crossing / Trott Brook playgrounds	-	-	125,000	-	-	-
Plants & Things Recreational Complex	26,119	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	-
Plants & Things field reconstruction	-	-	-	40,000	0	-
Highlands Park playground replacement	-	-	-	150,000	-	-
Hillside Park improvements	-	15,000	-	-	-	-
Kliever Point Park basketball court	-	-	-	-	-	30,000
Kliever Point Park playground replacement	-	-	-	-	-	150,000
Lions Park basketball court replacement	-	-	-	175,000	-	-
Lions Park shelters	-	-	300,000	-	-	-
Ridgewood East basketball court	-	30,000	-	-	-	3,000
Riverplace - playground/basketball court	-	-	185,000	-	-	-
Rivers Edge Park fountain	-	-	75,000	-	-	-
Trott Brook basketball court	-	-	9,000	-	-	-
Trott Brook tennis court	-	-	15,000	-	-	-
West Oaks Park basketball court	-	-	-	-	-	30,000
West Oaks Park playground replacement	-	-	-	-	-	150,000
Windsor Park playground replacement	-	-	-	-	-	150,000
Woodland Trails bituminous trail replacement	-	-	-	-	646,800	-
Misc. projects/park banners	6,739	10,000	10,000	-	-	-
DAAC - concessions building	-	-	-	-	250,000	-
DAAC - infield reconstruction	-	-	60,000	-	-	-
DAAC - lighting	-	-	-	600,000	-	-
DAAC - fencing	-	-	-	300,000	-	-
Field Lining - turf tank lease	-	16,000	16,000	16,000	-	-
Total Expenditures	43,297	212,250	840,000	1,316,000	961,800	513,000
Revenues over/(under) Expenditures	248,418	82,750	(554,000)	(1,065,000)	(675,800)	(227,000)
Cash Balance - Ending	\$584,726	\$667,476	\$113,476	(\$951,524)	(\$1,627,324)	(\$1,854,324)



Memorandum

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

From: Jeff Shelby, Parks and Recreation Manager

Date: June 10, 2026

Subject: Parks and Recreation Staff Report

Senior Activity Center

May was another busy month at the Senior Activity Center. We recorded an average of 78 daily check-ins, which exceeded attendance levels from May of last year. Membership continues to grow as well, with 538 current members, surpassing membership numbers from the same time last year.

Program highlights during May included a day trip to the Wabasha Street Caves, a variety of educational presentations, including the return of the Master Gardeners and a session on the psychology of decluttering. Participants also enjoyed two art classes. One of the month's most popular programs was Renaissance-style dancing presented by Dance Caravan, which featured a great deal of audience participation and engagement.

We were also pleased to welcome Kayla Grice as a new volunteer greeter in May. With her addition, we now have five volunteers scheduled throughout the week during our busiest morning hours, helping us provide a welcoming experience for members and visitors.

Community Events

The outdoor farmers market kicks off tomorrow afternoon. We are greatly appreciative for the YMCA's willingness to provide a temporary hosting location during the downtown construction project. Entertainment in the Park also kicks off at Woodland Trails. Safety Camp was held at Fire Station #2 today, where kids learned about a variety of safety topics. The first Orono Evenings in the Park event will be next Tuesday with a foam party, popsicles, emergency vehicles, and more. The Riverfront Concert Series begins at Rivers Edge on Thursday June 11 at 7pm. We are excited for ABBAolutely Fab to kick off the summer and we thank The Bank of Elk River for their support as our signature sponsor.

Sports/Programs

Men's softball is moving right along for the summer season. For the first time in 5 years, we have not had to cancel any nights yet due to inclement weather.

We've added a state-sanctioned pickleball ladder league through Minnesota Pickleball and MRPA, which is a new program for the city this year. The league filled up quickly and takes place on Mondays at 5:30pm,

from June 1- August 3. We created and installed signage at the courts to ensure the public knows the courts are unavailable for open play on Monday evenings.

Our inaugural season of Youth NFL Flag Football wrapped up on May 31. We had 192 participants. Registration is open for the fall season, which will begin in mid-August.

We are hosting the Twins Playball clinic at Lions Park this weekend. We expect to have 150 kids again, which is the camp capacity. A special thank you to the Elk River Youth Baseball Association for providing hot dogs, chips, and drinks to all participants at the camp.

Summer rec staff training took place on Monday, and summer programming began yesterday. All camps, classes, and leagues are full, and most have waiting lists. We are once again extremely lucky to have Taylor Ryan back for another summer as our Recreation Intern. She is setting the bar high for our camps.

Fields

Field use is still in high demand as every field is typically used 5-6 days per week. We made it through the first wave of tournaments and there are still five more before August. Great communication between users and city staff has led to a very smooth start to tournament season and we are pleased with how these events are turning out.

Park Passports

As we'd hoped, the passports have been popular with residents. Half of our initial printing has already been distributed to community members and the feedback has been very positive.