

MEETING DATE
April 24, 2017
Subject: Adoption of Version 2.0 of the Maitland Parks and Recreation Master Plan



AGENDA REPORT

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Section:
Item #: 1

Department/Office: Parks & Recreation

**Requested Action or Motion:** Move to adopt Version 2.0 of the Maitland Parks and Recreation Master Plan as presented.

**Summary Explanation & Background:**

The current adopted Parks and Recreation Master Plan was created in 2001 and adopted on January 28, 2002. In recent years, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) and city staff recognized that an update was necessary and that the community should be surveyed to determine if the Parks and Recreation needs of residents have changed since the first plan's creation. The planning firms of Greenplay LLC (primary) and Tindale-Oliver (secondary) were hired in 2015 to assist with providing an update to the current Master Plan and to conduct a comprehensive community needs assessment.

A master plan subcommittee of PRAB was formed to assist with ensuring that the new plan was tailored to the unique needs of Maitland. The committee has been meeting regularly to review and adjust the plan as necessary with staff involvement. The finalized and updated plan has concluded that current Park and Recreation prioritized needs as expressed by Maitland residents can be summarized in to the following areas:

Facilities:

- Maintain and improve the parks that we have
- Develop pathways and trails to connect our parks
- Preserve and acquire land in underserved areas
- Create opportunities to enjoy our lakes: viewing and non-motorized activities
- Provide improved park amenities (public art, shade, security enhancements, etc.)

Programs:

- Expand programming offered by the City
- Maintain and support community events

Services:

- Increase resident awareness of park services

Recommendations of the plan are based around these priorities and provide information that will be the basis for Parks and Recreation Capital Improvements Program development for the next 10+ years. It is the consensus of staff and the PRAB that this plan adequately captures the desires of residents for Parks and Recreation services in Maitland, and is thorough, realistic, and achievable.

**Fiscal Impact:**

\$7,685,000 over the next 10 years from the Parks Trust Fund and the General Fund

Exhibits: PRAB Master Plan Adoption  
Recommendation (DOCX)  
Parks and Recreation Master Plan - Final Draft  
(PDF)  
Final combined appendix files (PDF)

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Reviewed by City Attorney  
 Yes  N/A