ANCHORAGE PARKS & RECREATION

Goals

The goals of the Anchorage Parks & Recreation department are to:

Sustain and enhance Anchorage's parks and trail systems, with emphasis on deferred maintenance needs, rehabilitation of existing facilities, development of close to home recreation opportunities for under-served areas, and protection of our water quality through greenbelt acquisition.

The Department's capital budget/program represents input from individual citizens, neighborhood associations, community councils, and the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Commission.

Anchorage Parks and Recreation Development and Park/Greenbelt Acquisition

The 2008-2013 Capital Improvement Budget/Program for Parks & Recreation places major emphasis on leveraging private/public partnerships to take better care of what we have and address the \$150 to \$200 million in deferred maintenance needs of our parks, playgrounds, sports fields, picnic areas, natural areas, trails, and bridges through rehabilitation of existing facilities. Significant improvements are planned for various close to home neighborhood parks, park-school partnerships, and area wide athletic fields in addition to major upgrades to Chester Creek Sports Center, Far North Bicentennial Park, Kincaid Park, Russian Jack Spring Park, and South Anchorage Sports Park. Maximum use will be made of the Anchorage Park Foundation partnership with the public sector for volunteers, donations, and other fund-raising efforts to increase community involvement and reduce public expenditures. Land acquisitions will continue to focus on (1) providing accessible recreation opportunities for all residents through park acquisition in areas deficient in parkland and filling in missing connections in existing trail systems to parks, schools and residential areas; and (2) acquiring land along area creeks to protect water quality, provide green space, and ensure public access to waterways.

Anchorage Parks & Recreation Facilities

The program provides focus on addressing deferred maintenance needs on major park and recreation structures and buildings including Goose Lake Park bath house, Russian Jack Springs Park greenhouse and chalet, Spenard and Fairview Recreation Centers and area wide swimming pools. The program will emphasize life-safety upgrades to roofs, mechanical systems, gym floorings, multipurpose rooms and security systems. In addition facilities will be upgraded to increase recreation participation opportunities.

Anchorage Trails

The program will focus on upgrades to area wide trails and pedestrian safety improvements including accessibility improvements, pavement repairs, bridge replacements and development of safe trail connections between parks, schools and residential areas. Key projects include Campbell Creek Trail and Ship Creek Trail improvements.

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Capital Improvement Program PROJECT LIST BY DEPARTMENT

Anchorage Parks & Recreation

PROJECT TITLE		YEAR	G.O. BONDS	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	TOTAL
Parks Development							
ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY PARK		2008	0	400	0	200	600
		2009	0	100	0	100	200
		2010	0	100	0	100	200
		2011	0	50	0	50	100
	Project CIP Total	2012	0 0	700	0 0	50 500	100 1,200
CAMPBELL PARK		2008	200	600	0	200	1,000
		2009	0	600	0	0	600
	Project CIP Total		200	1,200	0	200	1,600
CARR-GOTTSTEIN PARK		2008	0	50	0	0	50
	Project CIP Total		0	50	0	0	50
CHESTER CREEK COMPLEX		2008	0	400	0	1,000	1,400
		2009	0	400	0	500	900
		2010	0	400	0	500	900
		2011	0	400	0	0	400
	Project CIP Total	l	0	1,600	0	2,000	3,600
CUDDY MIDTOWN FAMILY PARK		2008	0	1,100	0	1,000	2,100
		2009	0	0	0	1,000	1,000
	Desired OID Terri	2010	0	0	0	1,000	1,000
	Project CIP Total		0	1,100	0	3,000	4,100
DAVIS PARK IMPROVEMENTS		2008	100	100	0	50	250
	D : OID T	2009	0	100	0	0	100
	Project CIP Total	L	100	200	0	50	350
DELANEY PARK STRIP - PHASE II		2008	500	350	0	250	1,100
		2009	250	350	0	0	600
		2010	0	350	0	0	350
	Project CIP Total	2011	750	350 1,400	0 0	2 50	350 2,400
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FAR NORTH BICENTENNIAL PARK	- PHASE II	2008 2009	250	250	0	100	600
		2010	0	250 250	0	50 50	300 300
		2011	0	250	0	50	300
	Project CIP Total		250	1,000	0	250	1,500
GOOSE LAKE PARK - PHASE III		2008	250	650	0	250	1,150
		2009	250	650	0	0	900
		2010	0	650	0	0	650
		2011	0	650	0	0	650
		2012	0	650	0	0	650
	Project CIP Total	<u> </u>	500	3,250	0	250	4,000
JEWEL LAKE PARK - PHASE II		2008	0	1,000	0	100	1,100
	Project CIP Total	Į.	0	1,000	0	100	1,100
LYN ARY PARK		2008	100	50	0	50	200
	Project CIP Total	l	100	50	0	50	200

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Anchorage Parks & Recreation

PROJECT TITLE	YEAR	G.O. BONDS	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	TOTAL
MARGARET SULLIVAN PARK (WESTCHESTER LAGOON)	2008	100	200	0	200	500
Project CIP Tota	l	100	200	0	200	500
MULDOON COMMUNITY PARK	2008	100	550	0	100	750
	2009	0	550	0	100	650
Project CIP Tota	ı	100	1,100	0	200	1,400
MULTI-USE ATHLETIC FIELDS	2008	500	1,000	0	0	1,500
	2009	0	1,000	0	0	1,000
	2010	0	1,000	0	0	1,000
	2011	0	1,000	0	0	1,000
	2012	0	1,000 1,000	0	0	1,000
Project CIP Tota		5 00	6.000	0	0	6,500
	2008		-,			
NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS	2008	500 0	500 500	0	0	1,000 500
	2010	0	500	0	0	500
	2011	0	500	0	0	500
Project CIP Tota	ı	500	2,000	0	0	2,500
RECREATION FACILITIES UPGRADES - PHASE II	2008	750	250	0	250	1,250
	2009	0	500	0	250	750
	2010	0	500	0	250	750
	2011	0	500	0	250	750
	2012	0	500	0	0	500
Project CIP Tota	2013	7 50	750 3,000	0 0	0 1,000	750 4,750
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RUSSIAN JACK SPRINGS PARK	2008	450	500	0	500	1,450
	2009	0	500 500	0	500 500	1,000 1,000
Project CIP Tota		450	1,500	0	1,500	3,450
RUTH ARCAND PARK	2008	100	1,100	0	500	1,700
Project CIP Tota		100	1,100	0	500	1,700
SECTION 36 - PHASE II	2008	0	1,000	0	200	1,200
Project CIP Tota		0	1,000	0	200	1,200
STORCK PARK	2008	100	50	0	25	175
OTORON / ANN	2009	0	50	0	25	75
	2010	0	50	0	25	75
	2011	0	50	0	25	75
Project CIP Tota	ı	100	200	0	100	400
TAKU LAKE PARK	2008	0	100	0	100	200
Project CIP Tota	ı	0	100	0	100	200
TOWN SQUARE PARK - PHASE 2	2008	250	500	0	2,000	2,750
Project CIP Tota	1	250	500	0	2,000	2,750
VALLEY OF THE MOON PARK - PHASE II	2008	0	500	0	100	600
Project CIP Tota	I	0	500	0	100	600

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Anchorage Parks & Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE	YEAR	BONDS	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	TOTAL
Parks Development C	IP Total	4,750	28,750	0	12,550	46,050
Trails	•					
CAMPBELL CREEK TRAIL AND LAKE OTIS CROSSING	2008	0	150	0	0	150
Project CIP Total		0	150	0	0	150
FISH CREEK TRAIL	2008	0	1,000	0	0	1,000
Project CIP Total		0	1,000	0	0	1,000
GREENBELT TRAILS	2008	1,000	500	0	250	1,750
	2009	0	500	0	250	750
	2010	0	500	0	250	750
	2011	0	500	0	250	750
Project CIP Total	Į	1,000	2,000	0	1,000	4,000
TONY KNOWLES COASTAL TRAIL TO FISH CREEK TRAIL CONNECTION	2008	0	150	0	0	150
Project CIP Total		0	150	0	0	150
Trails C	Trails CIP Total		3,300	0	1,000	5,300
Anchorage Parks & Recreation C	IP Total	5,750	32,050	0	13,550	51,350

December 2012

ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY PARK

Project ID: APR08959

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: August 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District End Date:

30-Lore/Abbott, Community: Mid-Hillside, Community:

Taku/Campbell, Community: Various

Description:

This state funding request would be used to implement the remaining elements of the Community Park Master Plan Vision. The plan elements include a paved Little League circulation area, playground, sledding hill, security lighting and concession building design.

Total park improvement project cost is \$600,000, with \$400,000 requested as a state grant and \$200,000 in private donations from the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Comments:

Abbott Loop Community Park is one of the newest parks in Anchorage and provides for year round family and community recreation as well as linkage to the Far North Bicentennial park trail system. Summer activities include little league baseball, soccer, horseback riding, picnicking, walking, jogging and biking. Winter activities focus on Nordic skiing as the park is a major access to the larger groomed trail network. A large amount of construction work was completed in 2006 including the paved parking lot, irrigation upgrades to the league fields, dugouts, utility extensions to provide future lighting, a picnic pavilion and pedestrian pathways.

Justification:

Project Total:	600	200	200	100	100	0	1,200
State Grant Revenue	400	100	100	50	50	0	700
Other Sources	200	100	100	50	50	0	500
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

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CAMPBELL PARK

Project ID: APR08949

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District End Date: December 2012

24-Midtown/Taku, Community: Campbell Park

Description:

Campbell Park is a heavily used community park with greenbelt trail access as well as an incredible salmon stream – Little Campbell Creek. This heavily used community park in Anchorage's Central Park District needs attention.

This state funding request would be used to provide water quality and salmon habitat improvements for ADF&G outdoor classroom space, safety upgrades to the popular playground and picnic area and upgraded public access.

Total park improvement project cost is \$1,000,000. The State request of \$600,000 could match the 2008 Park Bond amount of \$200,000.

Comments:

Justification:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
Other Sources	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue	600	600	0	0	0	0	1,200
Project Total:	1,000	600	0	0	0	0	1,600

O & M Costs

CARR-GOTTSTEIN PARK

Project ID: APR08958

Project Type: New Start Date: August 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 3, Seats D & E, House: District End Date: December 2012

28-Bayshore/Klatt, Community: Bayshore/Klatt

Description:

Requested funds would be used to develop a master plan for the park to be used in future park bonds and fundraising efforts.

Total park improvement project cost is \$50,000.

Comments:

Carr-Gottstein Park was donated to the Parks and Recreation Department by a local developer. The park is located in the Bayshore-Klatt Community Council area in the Southport subdivision. The park is about 12.97 acres and is uniquely situated on the coast providing spectacular views to the Alaska Coastal Wildlife Refuge and the west. A large sloping hill identifies two distinct areas of this park. These areas provide for a wide range of recreational opportunities from passive open space to active recreational amenities such as playground equipment to service the neighborhood.

Justification:

Project Total:	50	0	0	0	0	0	50
State Grant Revenue	50	0	0	0	0	0	50
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

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CHESTER CREEK COMPLEX

Project ID: APR08957

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: August 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, Assembly: Areawide, House: End Date:

District 50-Anchorage Areawide, Community: Areawide

Description:

Requested state and federal funding will be used to invest in the lifespan of complex facilities, parking and access.

Total project cost for this phase is \$1,400,000, with \$400,000 from state grants and \$1 million from private donations through the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Comments:

The Chester Creek Sports Complex is Anchorage's premier athletic venue, featuring the Sullivan Arena, Mulcahy Baseball Stadium, the Anchorage Football Stadium, Ben Boeke Ice Arena, and the Kosinski Baseball Fields. The facility is also home to the Anchorage Aces, UAA hockey and basketball programs, Pilots and Bucs baseball teams, the American Legion, and a variety of high school and community-sponsored football, soccer, and hockey events. The Municipality of Anchorage and UAA are working together on a master plan for the Chester Creek Sports Complex that will improve parking, vehicle access and facility use.

Justification:

The Chester Creek Sports Complex is one of the most important areas for Anchorage organized sports and community events. Players and spectators deserve high-quality, state-of-the-art facilities. Last year's federal grant improved facilities at the Anchorage Football Stadium including home side bleachers, press box, track reconfiguration, fencing and paved surfaces for the National Veterans Wheelchair Games. However, significant deficiencies in parking and access remain and impact the ability to use the area efficiently and displace parking to neighborhoods.

Project Total:	1,400	900	900	400	0	0	3,600
State Grant Revenue	400	400	400	400	0	0	1,600
Other Sources	1,000	500	500	0	0	0	2,000
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

CUDDY MIDTOWN FAMILY PARK

Project ID: APR08944

Project Type: Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District End Date: December 2012

24-Midtown/Taku, Community: University Area

Description:

Cuddy Midtown Family Park is the "Central Park" for Midtown providing the central gathering area for special events, festivals, music and activities related to the library and surrounding businesses. The 2007 Park Bond and private funds are completing the expansion of the existing theater, enhancement of trails and pedestrian facilities, development of a great lawn for large music festivals, inclusion of a speed skating oval and development of a storm water retention pond to mitigate flooding along Fish Creek

Funding is requested to implement the shared library-park parking lot and promenade, better trail connections to adjacent access points, gateways, improved turf and landscape plantings, a children's playground, a picnic shelter, active recreation opportunities within the center of the speed skating oval and park and recreation facility.

Total project cost for this phase is \$2,100,000, with \$1,100,000 from state grants and \$1,000,000 in private donations through the Anchora

Comments:

Cuddy Family Midtown Park provides a unique opportunity to create a physical and symbolic heart in a part of the Anchorage community, where one does not currently exist. It is important to use the park's improvement to as a catalyst for redefining a broader Midtown area vision. Another important opportunity is connection of the park with the Loussac Library, which is already one of the major anchors of the neighborhood. Imagine if the library provided a much stronger connection between the park and the surrounding community. This plan will provide that connection and a as well as a visible place where recreation, relaxation, and public events can take place

Justification:

Project Total:	2,100	1,000	1,000	0	0	0	4,100
State Grant Revenue	1,100	0	0	0	0	0	1,100
Other Sources	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0	0	3,000
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

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DAVIS PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Project ID: APR08941

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, Assembly: Section 2, Seats A **End Date:**

& C, House: District 20-Mt View/Wonder Park, Community:

Mountain View

Description:

Davis Park is located in the culturally diverse neighborhood of Mountain View. Funds will improve the popular turf sports areas as well as picnic facilities to serve community needs.

Comments:

Total project cost for this phase is \$250,000, with \$100 from state grants and \$100 from the 08 Park Bond and \$50,000 in private donations through the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Justification:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Other Sources	50	0	0	0	0	0	50
State Grant Revenue	100	100	0	0	0	0	200
Project Total:	250	100	0	0	0	0	350

O & M Costs

December 2012

End Date:

DELANEY PARK STRIP - PHASE II

Project ID: APR08348

Project Type: Upgrade Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, Assembly: Areawide, House:

District 23-Downtown/Rogers Park, House: District

50-Anchorage Areawide, Community: Areawide, Community:

South Addition

Description:

Delaney Park is one of Anchorage's oldest and most celebrated parks. It was first established as a fire break during the initial town building phase in the 1920's and later served as the first airport and golf course for the city. During the war, troops were housed there and the first park plans were developed in the 1950's. Statehood was celebrated here, Pope John Paul II visited, and each year the Governor's Picnic is held in the park. Like the National Mall, this park is home to a number of memorials to our military and past historic events in Alaska.

Total project cost for this phase is \$850,000, with \$350,000 from state grants to match \$250,000 from the 08 Park bond and \$250,000 from the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Comments:

The initial phase of the project approved by Anchorage Voters in 2007 will upgrade basic park amenities. New funding will make repairs to include safe walking areas, appropriate landscape buffers, tennis court rehabilitation, outdoor hockey rink improvements and higher quality turf for sports and statewide events.

Justification:

Connections and gateways will be strengthened to adjacent neighborhoods and downtown across 9th and 10th Avenues via the "E" Street Corridor, Town Square Park, the new convention center and the Museum. These improvements will enhance the park by improving visibility, pedestrian safety and linking to major downtown facilities.

Project Total:	1,100	600	350	350	0	0	2,400
State Grant Revenue	350	350	350	350	0	0	1,400
Other Sources	250	0	0	0	0	0	250
Bond Proceeds	500	250	0	0	0	0	750
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

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August 2012

End Date:

FAR NORTH BICENTENNIAL PARK - PHASE II

Project ID: APR08938

Project Type: Upgrade Start Date: June 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 5, Seats H & I, Assembly: Section 6,

Seats J & K, Assembly: Areawide, House: District

22-University/Airport Heights, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide, Community: Abbott Loop, Community: Areawide,

Community: Basher

Description:

Far North Bicentennial Park is Anchorage's largest park, providing year-round outdoor recreation opportunities for the entire community. The park is home to the Hilltop Downhill Ski area, the Alaska Botanical Garden, over 100 miles of trails, many of which are lit and important connections to Chugach State Park. The park has over 1 million visitors each year, contributing to the social, economic and ecological well being of Anchorage.

As trail use increases, trail user conflicts, both in winter and in summer, also continue to increase. The growth and love of trails in the park has not been without growing pains. In a nod to the changing nature of winter sports, there are even conflicts within the Nordic skiing community between those that desire narrow "classic" ski trails versus those that desire wider "skate" ski trails. This marked increase of use combined with failing trail infrastructure has put tremendous pressure on park resources. It is important to note that existing

Comments:

The 2007 Park Bond funding is currently implementing a plan to inventory all trails including their condition and current use. Critical missing trail links and trail amenities will be identified and trail standards, classifications and trail crew specifications will be developed. The outcome will be a comprehensive and strategic trail project list endorsed by the trail community.

New funding would be used for immediate safety upgrades to the existing Tour of Anchorage Trail bridges and other projects identified in the trail action plan. In 2006 short term repairs were made to two bridges, but each need a longer-term structural safeguard. This trail is an important north-south connector through Far North Bicentennial Park, the route of the popular Tour of Anchorage ski race, part of the national ski-marathon series, and the Iditarod.

Justification:

This project is strongly supported by the Far North Bicentennial Park Trail Users Committee which has stakeholders from every trail user group as well as representatives from adjacent landowners. The total project cost for this phase is \$600,000, with \$250,000 requested as a state grant, \$250,000 to come from 08 municipal bonds and \$100,000 from funds raised through the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Project Total:	600	300	300	300	0	0	1,500
State Grant Revenue	250	250	250	250	0	0	1,000
Other Sources	100	50	50	50	0	0	250
Bond Proceeds	250	0	0	0	0	0	250
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

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GOOSE LAKE PARK - PHASE III

Project ID: APR08942

Project Type: Renovation Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 5, Seats H & I, House: District End Date: December 2012

22-University/Airport Heights, Community: University Area

Description:

The facility would be designed with restrooms, showers, café, and a life guard station. Other plan elements would be to improve safety and security at the park, including the beach and lifeguard areas, parking lot, and play areas. Funds would also be used to provide or upgrade items such as benches, waste receptacles, signage, fencing, and trail connections. Beach and bank improvements will include water quality protection measures

Total park improvement project cost is \$1,650,000, with \$650,000 funded through this state request, \$500,000 from 07 Park bond, \$250 from the 08 Park Bond and \$250,000 to be raised by the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Comments

Goose Lake Park provides a wide range of recreation opportunities including one of Anchorage's most popular lakes for summer swimming.

Requested funds would be combined with funds from the Anchorage Park Foundation and municipal park bonds to primarily replace the 'Boathouse' with a new facility that reflects the character of Anchorage's beloved community park.

Justification:

Project Total:	1,150	900	650	650	650	0	4,000
State Grant Revenue	650	650	650	650	650	0	3,250
Other Sources	250	0	0	0	0	0	250
Bond Proceeds	250	250	0	0	0	0	500
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

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JEWEL LAKE PARK - PHASE II

Project ID: APR08948

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: August 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 3, Seats D & E, House: District 27-Sand End Date: December 2012

Lake, Community: Sand Lake

Description:

Jewel Lake Park is about 40.26 acres and is located in Southwest Anchorage on west Dimond Blvd. The park provides a wide range of recreation opportunities including one of Anchorage's most popular lakes for summer swimming.

Requested funds would be combined with 07 Park Bond funds to primarily to improve safety and security at the park. Improvements include the beach and lifeguard areas, parking lot, and play areas. Funds would also be used to provide or upgrade items such as benches, waste receptacles, signage, fencing, and trail connections. Beach and bank improvements will include water quality protection measures.

Total park improvement project cost is \$1,600,000, with \$1,000,000 funded through this state request, \$500,000 from the 07 municipal park bonds and \$100,000 to be raised by the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Comments:

Justification:

State Grant Revenue	1,000 1,100	0	0	0	0	0	1,000 1.100
Other Sources	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

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LYN ARY PARK

Project ID: APR08945

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 3, Seats D & E, House: District **End Date:** December 2012

26-Turnagain/Inlet View, Community: Turnagain

Description:

Upgrade the park to include a redesign of the trail for safe and improve access, the redesign of the sledding hill to insure safe usage, improve the parking lot, replace the bollards, resurface the tennis courts, upgrade the turf, install an irrigation system, signage, lighting, and security system.

Comments:

Requested funds would leverage a 2006 State Legislative Grant to provide safety upgrades to trails, parking, turf, playground and tennis court facilities.

Total park improvement project cost is \$240,000, with \$50,000 funded through this state request, \$40,000 funded through a 2006 State Grant, \$100 from the 08 municipal park bond and \$50,000 to be raised by the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Justification:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Other Sources	50	0	0	0	0	0	50
State Grant Revenue	50	0	0	0	0	0	50
Project Total:	200	0	0	0	0	0	200

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MARGARET SULLIVAN PARK (WESTCHESTER LAGOON)

Project ID: APR08946

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, House: District End Date: December 2012

23-Downtown/Rogers Park, Community: South Addition

Description:

A bird lover's paradise, Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park is home to a popular lagoon for ice skating and canoeing as well as the Chester Creek Trail.

Requested funds would leverage a 2006 State Legislative Grant to provide safety upgrades to for Trail Watch Headquarters, improvements for trail user safety as well as parking, lighting and winter access improvements to enhance community needs.

Comments:

Total park improvement project cost is \$600,000, with \$200,000 funded through this state request, \$100,000 funded through a 2006 State Grant, \$100 from the 08 municipal park bond and \$200,000 to be raised by the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Justification:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Other Sources	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
Project Total:	500	0	0	0	0	0	500

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MULDOON COMMUNITY PARK

Project ID: APR08940

Project Type: New Start Date: May 2008

Location: End Date: December 2012

Description:

The requested funds would be used to develop a master plan for the park and construct the park amenities for Northeast Community Council's newly acquired park.

Comments:

Total park improvement project cost is \$750,000, with \$550,000 funded through this state request, \$100 from the 08 municipal park bond and \$100,000 to be raised by the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Justification:

Muldoon Community Park is Anchorage's newest acquired park. Acquired in October of 2006, this park is about 12 acres of land that includes a portion of the headwaters to Chester Creek. Muldoon Community Park is also located adjacent to the Muldoon Town Center as proposed in the Anchorage 2020 Plan. The 2006 Anchorage Bowl Parks Plan identified a deficiency of community use park facilities in the Northeast community council area of town. In 2003, the Northeast Community Council area showed a deficit of 22 acres of park land per 1,000 residents based on the Parks Plan's recommended level of service. By 2020, this deficit is proposed to be 57 acres. In addition, opportunities for connectivity to Chugach State Park have been impacted by recent development patterns. The park provides a critical link between the State Park and municipal park land for wildlife habitat and other outdoor recreational opportunities. The acquisition of this park was the first step in addressing this level of service issues in the area. Consistent with our Parks Plan, a master plan for the park is required to determine the uses and amenities appropriate to the park and the surrounding neighborhood

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Other Sources	100	100	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue	550	550	0	0	0	0	1,100
Project Total:	750	650	0	0	0	0	1,400

O & M Costs

MULTI-USE ATHLETIC FIELDS

Project ID: APR08954

Project Type: Upgrade Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide, End Date: December 2012

Community: Areawide

Description:

Anchorage has 110 athletic fields to serve the community and state needs for healthy sports activities. Funding will add value to the multi-use sports fields upgrade approved in the 2007 Park Bond (\$500,000) with matching funds from the Anchorage Park Foundation. Plan elements include the rehabilitation of existing fields to a reasonable standard for all users, promotion of strategic new field development, and increase park amenities to offer quality statewide and local spectator and player use.

Total park improvement project cost is \$8,000,000, with \$1,000,000 requested as a state grant, \$500,000 from the 08 Park Bond and \$6,500,000 in hand from the Anchorage Park Foundation and 07 Park Bond.

Comments:

User groups such as the Anchorage District Soccer Federation, Anchorage Sports Association (Softball), and the area Little League baseball clubs have entered into partnership agreements with the Municipality to take over routine maintenance of the fields. These public-private partnerships have substantially raised the standard of maintenance and care of athletic fields over the past two years. While annual maintenance and upkeep has greatly improved field surface conditions, in order to provide quality athletic fields that are sustainable, proper construction and reconstruction of many fields is required. Proper construction and reconstruction of the fields will improve the safety of the fields as well as lower maintenance costs.

Based on the success of the Soccer Task Force process and the voter approval of the 2007 Park Bonds, the Parks & Recreation Department has begun a planning process that will involve all of the athletic field user groups to develop plan for 2008 construction and develop a 5 to 10 year field rehabilitation plan to proactively plan maintenance and rehabilitation of our existing facilities. The requested funds will effectively match the contribution of approximately \$300,000 in value that the user groups have contributed in 2007.

Project Budget

Design and Development \$200,000 (funded from 07 Park Bond)

Neighborhood Field Renovation \$2.3 million (funded by the Anchorage Park Foundation & Park Bond)

Competition Field Renovation \$2 million (funded by the Anchorage Park Foundation)

New Championship Fields \$2 million (funded by the Anchorage Park Foundation)

Total Project Cost in Hand: \$6.5 million

2008 Request

Field Renovations \$1 million (State Request) and \$500,000 08 Park Bond

Total Project Cost: \$8 million

Justification:

MULTI-USE ATHLETIC FIELDS

Project Justification

Athletic fields in Anchorage serve an important role within the community by promoting healthy recreational activities and helping young athletes develop positive life skills. They also play a significant role in statewide athletics. Anchorage is one location for the State Cup soccer competition based on the availability of the 26 multi-use fields, hosts statewide soccer tournaments sponsored by local soccer clubs as well as little league and adult softball tournaments that draw teams into Anchorage from around the region and the state. Accommodating the local and regional use of the athletic fields within the Municipality requires the fields to withstand intense use throughout the summer sports seasons. This intense use has caused many of the fields to develop large ruts and depressions, exposed soil and stones, and other hazards that have the potential to cause serious injury to participants.

Project Total:	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	6,500
State Grant Revenue	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	6,000
Bond Proceeds	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

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NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Project ID: APR08953

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide, End Date: December 2012

Community: Community-wide

Description:

This state funding request would be used to complete the comprehensive playground and neighborhood park upgrades approved in the 2007 Park Bond (\$895,000) with matching funding from the Anchorage Park Foundation. The plan elements will include the rehabilitation/replacement of existing facilities and the development of complimentary park amenities to enhance the neighborhood park experience.

Total park improvement project cost is \$2,000,000, with \$500,000 requested as a state grant, \$500,000 from the 08 Park Bond and \$1,000,000 in hand from the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Comments:

Justification:

Neighborhood parks form the backbone of the Anchorage park system and offer healthy and safe play opportunities for families and gatherings. They are close to home and include areas for informal play, family and community building. They also create a sense of identity to neighborhoods. These important community assets are in need of upgrades to provide safe, healthy and secure places for our families and children. Much of the neighborhood park system was built in the 80's and has received lots of use. A lot of equipment has seen the end of their life cycle and is in need of replacement.

Project Total:	1,000	500	500	500	0	0	2,500
State Grant Revenue	500	500	500	500	0	0	2,000
Bond Proceeds	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

RECREATION FACILITIES UPGRADES - PHASE II

Project ID: APR08956

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide, End Date: August 2012

Community: Community-wide

Description:

The Fairview Recreation Center serves northwest Anchorage in a high density population area that is underserved by other facilities. The building is over 25 years old and has had considerable repairs to major structural components over the past few years such as a new roof installed in 2005. A 2006 state grant is being used to evaluate the building from a health and safety aspect as well as reflect changes in recreation uses over the past two decades. The effort will also develop a long term capital improvement program and design to upgrade the building and services to the community.

The Lidia Selkregg Chalet at Russian Jack Springs Park is the Northeast Park District headquarters and serves the public with needed amenities for meeting spaces, gatherings and sports events. The facility is in need of major maintenance to maintain/upgrade the chalet. The 2007 municipal park bond funds will be used to evaluate the building from a health and safety aspect as well as used to plan for

Comments:

Justification:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	750	0	0	0	0	0	750
Other Sources	250	250	250	250	0	0	1,000
State Grant Revenue	250	500	500	500	500	750	3,000
Project Total:	1,250	750	750	750	500	750	4,750

O & M Costs

RUSSIAN JACK SPRINGS PARK

Project ID: APR08943

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 5, Seats H & I, House: District End Date: December 2012

22-University/Airport Heights, Community: Russian Jack Park

Description:

Improve existing nine hole, three-par golf course to make it a PGA-authorized First Tee Learning Center with grass greens, automated irrigation, a practice area, and pitch and putt area.

Comments:

The rebuilt 9-hole course will be a quality, ADA accessible course designed to accommodate a junior/senior golf learning center as well as usage by families. The Municipality of Anchorage is working in partnership with First Tee, a nonprofit organization associated with the PGA of America, the Tiger Woods Foundation, and other professional golf associations that provide free golf instruction for low-income kids.

Justification:

Project Total:	1,450	1,000	1,000	0	0	0	3,450
State Grant Revenue	500	500	500	0	0	0	1,500
Other Sources	500	500	500	0	0	0	1,500
Bond Proceeds	450	0	0	0	0	0	450
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

RUTH ARCAND PARK

Project ID: APR08951

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 6, Seats J & K, House: District End Date: December 2012

32-Chugach State Park, House: District 50-Anchorage

Areawide, Community: Abbott Loop

Description:

The William Chamberlin Equestrian Center in Ruth Arcand Park was developed in the early 1980's and hosts a wide variety of equestrian related activities as well as community recreation events. The facilities are in need of a new master plan to address growing public use and increased residential demands in the area as well as the needs of the aging facility. Specific health and safety upgrades include an ADA-accessible learning center and a large animal composting facility. The existing trail system will be expanded and upgraded to meet public safety as well as water quality issues including bridge repairs, trail hardening and storm water management.

Comments:

This project is supported by the Rainbow Connection and equestrian groups who have matching grants for federal funds to assist with the development of these projects. The first phase will be to update the Master Plan and expand public use of the park

Justification:

The construction of the ADA-accessible learning center will allow for year-round therapeutic riding experiences for disabled youth and adults. The large animal composting facility will serve the needs of the greater Anchorage area and improve public health and safety and protect local water supply. In addition public improvements will include expanded picnic and play areas, development of community gardens, and trail access to surrounding neighborhoods.

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Other Sources	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
State Grant Revenue	1,100	0	0	0	0	0	1,100
Project Total:	1,700	0	0	0	0	0	1,700

O & M Costs

SECTION 36 - PHASE II

Project ID: APR08952

Project Type: New Start Date: August 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 6, Seats J & K, House: District End Date: December 2012

32-Chugach State Park, Community: Bear Valley

Description:

Section 36 is currently held in the Municipal Heritage Land Bank and existing bond money will be used to complete a master plan for 600 acre park. Section 36 will be transferred to Parks and Recreation when the master plan is complete and when funds are identified for maintenance and management if the park.

The State funds requested will be used to implement improvement projects identified within the Section 36 Master Plan.

Total initial project cost is estimated at \$1,200,000, with \$1,000,000 requested as a state grant and \$200,000 to come from funds raised through the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Project Budget

Design and Development \$200,000 Construction/Utilities \$1 million Total Project Cost: \$1.2 million

Comments:

Justification:

Section 36 is located in the Southeast Park District which has the largest concentration of natural use areas and the lowest amount of developed parks in the Anchorage Bowl. The population growth expected in the next fifteen years will have an impact on the level of parks and recreation services that will be needed to meet future demands.

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Other Sources	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
Project Total:	1,200	0	0	0	0	0	1,200

O & M Costs

STORCK PARK

Project ID: APR08960

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: End Date: December 2012

Description:

Rehabilitation of Bear Valley Park to include wind breaks, turf, trail and signage improvements.

Total project cost is estimated at \$175,000, with \$50,000 requested as a state grant, \$100,000 from the 08 Municipal Park Bond and \$250,000 to come from funds raised through the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Project Budget

Design and Development \$25,000 Construction/Utilities \$150,000 Total Project Cost: \$175,000

Comments:

Storck Park is located in the Southeast Park District and will serve as a gateway park to the future Section 36 Park. The community council and neighbors support rehabilitation projects including wind breaks, turf, trail and signage improvements to this well used Bear Valley park

Justification:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Other Sources	25	25	25	25	0	0	100
State Grant Revenue	50	50	50	50	0	0	200
Project Total:	175	75	75	75	0	0	400

O & M Costs

TAKU LAKE PARK

Project ID: APR08950

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District End Date: December 2012

24-Midtown/Taku, Community: Taku/Campbell

Description:

Requested funds would be combined with funds from the Anchorage Park Foundation to improve safety and security at the park including the parking lots and play areas. Funds would also be used to provide or upgrade park amenities such as benches, trash receptacles, signage, fencing, and trail connections. Lake and stream bank improvements will include water quality protection measures.

Total park improvement project cost is \$200,000, with \$100,000 funded through this state request and \$100,000 to be raised by the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Project Budget

Design and Development \$25,000 Construction/Utilities \$175,000 Total Project Cost: \$200,000

Comments:

Justification:

Project Total:	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Other Sources	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

December 2012

End Date:

TOWN SQUARE PARK - PHASE 2

Project ID: APR08939

Project Type: Upgrade Start Date: August 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, Assembly: Areawide, House:

50-Anchorage Areawide, Community: Areawide, Community:

District 23-Downtown/Rogers Park, House: District

Downtown

Description:

Improvements for the park include a permanent summer reflecting pond/winter ice skating rink, improved lighting, enhanced visibility from 6th avenue, information kiosk, outdoor seating areas, outdoor vendor utilities, repair or replacement of the brick walkways, installation of an irrigation system, signage, and connectivity to both E Street Corridor and F Street to the Convention Center

Project Budget

Design and Development \$250,000
Construction/Utilities \$2.5 million
Total Project Cost: \$2.75 million

Comments:

Total initial project cost is estimated at \$2,750,000, with \$500,000 requested as a state grant, \$250,000 in hand from the 07 Municipal Park Bond, and \$2,000,000 to come from the Anchorage Park Foundation. The park has over 1 million visits each year from tourists to local residents.

Justification

The Town Square Park is Anchorage's primary public plaza and the heart of Downtown Anchorage. It provides venues for summer flowers enjoyed by tourist and residents, music in the park, civic events and festivals, winter ice skating -- all of which promote tourism, civic pride and economic development for related downtown businesses. e upgrades planned for Town Square Park will enhance the park for public events and improve visibility and connectivity to surrounding business and public areas including the Performing Arts Center and the Egan Center.

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Revenue							
Bond Proceeds	250	0	0	0	0	0	250
Other Sources	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	2,000
State Grant Revenue	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
Project Total:	2,750	0	0	0	0	0	2,750

O & M Costs

VALLEY OF THE MOON PARK - PHASE II

Project ID: APR08947

Project Type: Improvement Start Date: August 2008

Location: Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, House: District End Date: December 2012

23-Downtown/Rogers Park, Community: South Addition

Description:

The park has developed the need for safety upgrades for play equipment, upgraded turf areas including irrigation, stabilized and enhanced stream bank areas for habitat protection, and to provide improved signage, park amenities and landscaping.

Comments:

Requested state funds would be supplemented by a municipal park bond and private funds donated through the Anchorage Park Foundation. Total park improvement project cost is \$850,000, with \$500,000 funded through this state request, \$250,000 in hand from the 07 municipal park bond and \$100,000 to be raised by the Anchorage Park Foundation.

Project Budget

Design and Development \$60,000 Construction/Utilities \$790,000 Total Project Cost: \$850,000

Justification:

Valley of the Moon Park is one of Anchorage's most popular and well used recreation areas. Located close to Downtown, the park offers picnic and play areas including the city's tallest play structure as well as open field space for neighborhood football and soccer games. The park is also a part of the Chester Creek Greenbelt and offers trail users a respite from their athletic activities on the trail. Due to its ideal location, the park also draws a very culturally diverse user group that represents the many nationalities that inhabit the Anchorage Bowl. Unfortunately, the popularity and extensive use of the park has left visible signs on the park infrastructure.

Project Total:	600	0	0	0	0	0	600
State Grant Revenue	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
Other Sources	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

CAMPBELL CREEK AND LAKE OTIS CROSSING TRAIL

Project ID: APR08963

Project Type: New Start Date: August 2008

Location: End Date: December 2012

Description:

Funds from this grant would be used to implement a comprehensive repair program to address serious safety and security concerns. The plan elements will include the rehabilitation/replacement of existing trails and bridges. The total park improvement project cost is \$2,000,000.

Project Budget

Repairs \$1 million

Construction/Rehab \$1 million Total Project Cost: \$2 million

Comments:

Trails provide non-motorized links between residential areas, parks and schools, close-to-home recreation, and a sense of community. They increase economic development potential and contribute to a healthy community, protect water quality and fish habitat and provide wildlife movement corridors. Anchorage enjoys several premiere Greenbelt trails – Chester Creek Trail, Campbell Creek Trail, Coastal Trail and Ship Creek Trail – that are highly appreciate, prized and utilized community asset. Residents can enjoy wildlife, spawning salmon and natural habitat that is becoming scarcer within city limits along all of these trail systems. The Greenbelt trails in turn provide residents a multitude of benefits like clean air, clean water, flood control, wildlife habitat and healthy recreational opportunities.

Justification:

The recently adopted Anchorage Bowl Park, Natural Resource, and Recreation Facility Plan outlines strategies for existing trail improvements. The most important strategy identified is 'to continue to upgrade existing Areawide trails through systematic repairs and rehabilitation.' The Municipality has over 250 miles of trail and there are recent indications that there is failing infrastructure. Trails are flooding at major road underpasses, trails are eroding along the coastline and rivers, trail pavement is cracking and suffers from root damage and bridges have not had adequate structural review.

Project Total:	150	0	0	0	0	0	150
State Grant Revenue	150	0	0	0	0	0	150
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

FISH CREEK TRAIL

Project ID: APR08961

Project Type:Start Date:August 2008Location:End Date:December 2012

Description:

Funds will be used to construct an already designed Fish Creek Trail extension from Spenard Road to Fish Creek Park, further enhancing the trail system for commuting to work and recreation opportunities. This project has been a priority for the Spenard Community Council for a number of years.

A design and engineering contract is on track for completing the project design in 2008. Funds from this grant would be used to construct the trail in 2009. The total park improvement project cost is \$1.25 million.

Project Budget

Design & Engineering \$250,000 (from previous bond)

Construction \$1 million

Total Project Cost: \$1.25 million

Comments:

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Justification:

Project Total:	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
State Grant Revenue	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

GREENBELT TRAILS

Project ID: APR08955

Project Type: Rehabilitation Start Date: May 2008

Location: Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide, End Date: December 2013

Community: Areawide

Description:

Funds from this grant would be used to implement a comprehensive repair program to address serious safety and security concerns. The plan elements will include the rehabilitation/replacement of existing trails and bridges. The total park improvement project cost is \$2,000,000.

Project Budget

Repairs \$1 million

Construction/Rehab \$1 million Total Project Cost: \$2 million

Comments:

Justification:

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Project Total:	1,750	750	750	750	0	0	4,000
State Grant Revenue	500	500	500	500	0	0	2,000
Other Sources	250	250	250	250	0	0	1,000
Bond Proceeds	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

O & M Costs

TONY KNOWLES COASTAL TRAIL TO FISH CREEK TRAIL CONNECTION

Project ID: APR08962

Project Type:NewStart Date:August 2008Location:End Date:December 2012

Description:

Development of the trail connection linking the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail to the Fish Creek Trail

Comments:

Justification:

Project Total:	150	0	0	0	0	0	150
State Grant Revenue	150	0	0	0	0	0	150
Revenue							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total

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