

## **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 2009-2014 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, multi-purpose 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
<b>Parks Development</b>						
ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY PARK	2009	0	400	0	200	600
	2010	0	100	0	100	200
	2011	0	100	0	100	200
	2012	0	50	0	50	100
	2013	0	50	0	50	100
Project CIP Total		0	700	0	500	1,200
ANCHORAGE MULTI-USE ATHLETIC FIELDS	2009	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
	2010	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
	2011	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
	2012	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
	2013	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
	2014	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
Project CIP Total		3,000	6,000	0	3,000	12,000
ANCHORAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS	2009	500	500	0	500	1,500
	2010	500	500	0	500	1,500
	2011	500	500	0	500	1,500
	2012	500	500	0	500	1,500
	2013	500	500	0	500	1,500
	2014	500	500	0	500	1,500
Project CIP Total		3,000	3,000	0	3,000	9,000
ANCHORAGE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL IMPROVEMENTS	2009	0	500	0	500	1,000
Project CIP Total		0	500	0	500	1,000
CAMPBELL PARK	2009	200	600	0	200	1,000
	2010	0	600	0	0	600
Project CIP Total		200	1,200	0	200	1,600
CARR-GOTTSTEIN PARK	2009	0	50	0	0	50
	2010	0	250	0	0	250
Project CIP Total		0	300	0	0	300
CHESTER CREEK COMPLEX	2009	0	400	0	1,000	1,400
	2010	0	400	0	500	900
	2011	0	400	0	500	900
	2012	0	400	0	0	400
Project CIP Total		0	1,600	0	2,000	3,600
CUDDY FAMILY MIDTOWN PARK	2009	0	250	0	250	500
	2010	0	250	0	250	500
	2011	0	250	0	250	500
Project CIP Total		0	750	0	750	1,500
DELANEY PARK - PHASE II	2009	500	500	0	250	1,250
	2010	250	500	0	250	1,000
	2011	250	500	0	250	1,000
	2012	250	500	0	250	1,000
	2013	250	500	0	250	1,000

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PROJECT TITLE	YEAR	G.O.				TOTAL
		BONDS	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	
DELANEY PARK - PHASE II	2014	250	500	0	250	1,000
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>1,750</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>6,250</b>
FAR NORTH BICENTENNIAL PARK - PHASE II	2009	250	250	0	100	600
	2010	250	250	0	100	600
	2011	100	250	0	50	400
	2012	100	250	0	50	400
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>700</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>2,000</b>
GOOSE LAKE PARK - PHASE II	2009	250	650	0	250	1,150
	2010	250	650	0	0	900
	2011	0	650	0	0	650
	2012	0	650	0	0	650
	2013	0	650	0	0	650
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>500</b>	<b>3,250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>4,000</b>
JEWEL LAKE PARK - PHASE II	2009	0	1,000	0	100	1,100
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,100</b>
LYN ARY PARK	2009	0	50	0	50	100
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100</b>
MARGARET EAGAN SULLIVAN PARK (WESTCHESTER LAGOON)	2009	200	200	0	200	600
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>600</b>
MULDOON COMMUNITY PARK	2009	100	550	0	100	750
	2010	0	550	0	100	650
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1,400</b>
RECREATION FACILITIES UPGRADES - PHASE II	2009	1,000	1,000	0	500	2,500
	2010	1,000	1,000	0	500	2,500
	2011	1,000	1,000	0	500	2,500
	2012	1,000	1,000	0	500	2,500
	2013	1,000	1,000	0	500	2,500
	2014	1,000	1,000	0	500	2,500
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>15,000</b>
RUSSIAN JACK SPRINGS PARK	2009	0	500	0	500	1,000
	2010	0	500	0	500	1,000
	2011	0	500	0	500	1,000
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>3,000</b>
RUTH ARCAND PARK	2009	100	1,100	0	500	1,700
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>1,700</b>
SECTION 36 - PHASE II	2009	0	1,000	0	200	1,200
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1,200</b>
SOUTH ANCHORAGE SPORTS PARK	2009	0	350	0	0	350
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>
STORCK PARK	2009	0	200	0	100	300
	2010	0	50	0	25	75
	2011	0	50	0	25	75

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**Capital Improvement Program**  
 PROJECT LIST BY DEPARTMENT

***Anchorage Parks & Recreation***

PROJECT TITLE	YEAR	G.O.				TOTAL
		BONDS	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	
STORCK PARK	2012	0	50	0	25	75
Project CIP Total		0	350	0	175	525
TOTEM FIELDS- PARK/ASD PARTNERSHIP-PHASE II	2009	0	500	0	0	500
Project CIP Total		0	500	0	0	500
TOWN SQUARE PARK - PHASE II	2009	250	500	0	2,000	2,750
Project CIP Total		250	500	0	2,000	2,750
VALLEY OF THE MOON PARK - PHASE II	2009	0	500	0	100	600
Project CIP Total		0	500	0	100	600
<b>Parks Development CIP Total</b>		<b>15,800</b>	<b>35,450</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20,025</b>	<b>71,275</b>
<b>Trails</b>						
CAMPBELL CREEK TRAIL AND LAKE OTIS CROSSING	2009	0	200	0	0	200
Project CIP Total		0	200	0	0	200
CHESTER CREEK TO CAMPBELL CREEK TRAIL CONNECTION MATCH	2009	300	0	0	0	300
Project CIP Total		300	0	0	0	300
FISH CREEK TRAIL	2009	0	1,000	0	0	1,000
Project CIP Total		0	1,000	0	0	1,000
GREENBELT TRAILS	2009	1,000	1,000	0	250	2,250
	2010	1,000	1,000	0	250	2,250
	2011	1,000	1,000	0	250	2,250
	2012	1,000	1,000	0	250	2,250
	2013	1,000	1,000	0	250	2,250
	2014	1,000	1,000	0	250	2,250
Project CIP Total		6,000	6,000	0	1,500	13,500
SHIP CREEK TRAIL - TYSON ELEMENTARY TO GLENN HIGHWAY	2009	0	1,300	0	0	1,300
	2010	0	2,000	0	0	2,000
	2011	0	6,000	0	0	6,000
Project CIP Total		0	9,300	0	0	9,300
TONY KNOWLES COASTAL TRAIL TO FISH CREEK TRAIL CONNECTION	2009	0	150	0	0	150
Project CIP Total		0	150	0	0	150
<b>Trails CIP Total</b>		<b>6,300</b>	<b>16,650</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>24,450</b>
<b>Anchorage Parks &amp; Recreation CIP Total</b>		<b>22,100</b>	<b>52,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,525</b>	<b>95,725</b>

## Parks Development

### ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY PARK

**Project ID:** APR08959

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** August 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District  
30-Lore/Abbott, Community: Abbott Loop, Community:  
Basher, Community: Mid-Hillside, Community: Various

**End Date:** December 2012

**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.

**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 2006-2007 including the paved parking lot, irrigation upgrades to the league fields, dugouts, utility extensions to provide future lighting, a picnic pavilion and pedestrian pathways. Project funding came from a variety of sources demonstrating wide support for the project- the Anchorage Park Foundation, Simonian Little League, Municipality Park Bonds and a State Grant.

**Justification:**

This state funding request would be used to implement the remaining elements of the Community Park Master Plan Vision including key safety and security items - parking lot lighting and the sledding hill.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	200	100	100	50	50	0	500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	400	100	100	50	50	0	700
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,200</b>

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# Parks Development

## ANCHORAGE MULTI-USE ATHLETIC FIELDS

**Project ID:** APR08954

**Project Type:** Upgrade

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide,  
Community: Areawide

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

Anchorage has 110 athletic fields to serve the community and state needs for healthy sports activities. Funds will be used to match municipal, private and Rasmuson Foundation contributions to rehabilitate existing fields to a reasonable standard for all users, promote strategic new field development, and increase park amenities to offer quality statewide and local spectator and player use.

### **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, proper construction and reconstruction of many fields is required to provide sustainable athletic fields. Proper reconstruction of the fields will also improve the safety of the fields as well as lower maintenance costs. Based on the success of the Department's Soccer Task Force and the voter approval of the 2007 Park Bonds, The Rasmuson Foundation donated \$6 million in funds to the Anchorage Park Foundation for multi-use athletic fields. This donation included a matching challenge for the Municipality of Anchorage and sports user groups over the next six years:

Neighborhood Fields: \$2 million from Rasmuson, matched with \$2 million from MOA and \$75k privately raised

Competition Fields: \$2 million from Rasmuson Foundation, matched with \$2 million from MOA and \$250k private

Kincaid Championship Fields: \$2 million from Rasmuson Foundation, matched with \$2 million private

With \$500k of 2007 local bond funds, a planning process has been initiated that will involve all athletic field user groups and deliver a development plan for 2008 construction and a long range plan for field rehabilitation plan for proactive maintenance and rehabilitation of existing facilities. A pilot neighborhood field renovation at Dave Rose Park took place August 25, 2007 and involved 152 volunteer hours and a combination of contract services and Department labor.

### **Justification:**

Athletic fields in Anchorage play an important role 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 fields that can withstand intense use over the summer sports seasons. Past use has resulted in large ruts and depressions, exposed soil and stones, and other hazards that have the potential to cause serious injury to participants.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
Restricted Contributions	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	6,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>12,000</b>

### **O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## ANCHORAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

**Project ID:** APR08953

**Project Type:** Rehabilitation

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide,  
Community: Community-wide

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

Funding will implement the comprehensive playground and neighborhood park upgrades approved in the 2007 Park Bond. This multi-year funding request would be used to systematically complete all neighborhood parks over the next six years and leverage a combination of private, Rasmuson Foundation, municipal and state funding. The plan elements will include the rehabilitation/replacement of existing facilities and the development of complimentary park amenities to enhance the neighborhood park experience.

### **Comments:**

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.

The Rasmuson Foundation has generously donated \$2 million for neighborhood parks and playgrounds and included a matching challenge for the Municipality of Anchorage and neighborhoods over the next six years. With \$900k from the 2007 municipal park bond, the Parks & Recreation Department has begun a planning process to develop a plan for 2008 construction as well as a six year neighborhood park rehabilitation plan to proactively plan rehabilitation of our existing facilities. The Department is scheduling 'Extreme Park Makeovers' for the fall of 2008 to completely renovate four neighborhood parks with a combination of volunteer labor, municipal labor and contract support.

In 2005-2007, over 90,000 volunteer hours have been spent 'Cleaning & Greening' municipal parks. Volunteers have completed simple tasks like painting bollards, gates and benches, removing graffiti, planting trees and flowers, and brushing vegetation for park safety. The Department anticipates a growth of volunteer support to improve neighborhood parks.

### **Justification:**

Neighborhood park 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.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
Restricted Contributions	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>9,000</b>

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# Parks Development

## ANCHORAGE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL IMPROVEMENTS

**Project ID:** APR07091

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** July 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, House: District  
23-Downtown/Rogers Park, Community: Downtown

**End Date:** October 2009

### **Description:**

A Mayoral appointed Veteran's Memorial Blue Ribbon Task Force has been guiding the project development of the Anchorage Veteran's Memorial in Delaney Park and is selecting a Preferred Alternative by the end of December of 2007. Funds will be used to build the final selected design.

### **Comments:**

The Anchorage Veteran's Memorial is intended to be a place that inspires and nurtures all visitors -- veterans, non-veterans and especially school children -- for a heightened sense of patriotism and an appreciation for the sacrifices endured by the veterans from the 49th State. The current Veteran's Memorial in Delaney Park experiences many limiting features and there is a strong desire within the community for the memorial to adequately reflect the contributions of our Alaskan veterans.

The proposed memorial improvements will redesign the existing Veteran's Memorial to recognize the use of the space that has evolved over many years. The existing memorial will be reoriented to address problematic site conditions such as solar glare and traffic noise, existing elements will be reorganized and new elements will be constructed. These improvements will provide a fully accessible space for public ceremony while recognizing the needs of many for a space for quiet remembrance. It will provide space to acknowledge the campaigns of America's military while recognizing the specific sacrifices of Alaskans and their contributions to the protection of liberty. Improvements will make the memorial fully accessible to the disabled, will provide sound attenuation from nearby roadways, and provide lighting and visibility that meets the needs of our veterans and citizens while providing a safe and secure public space. The power of the memorial elements and the park surroundings into which it is placed will enable all visitors to contemplate both the cost of America's liberty and the memory of those men and women who have paid it through their military service.

The \$500,000 State request would be used to leverage \$250,000 in hand and \$500,000 in privately raised funds. Design and Development of the Veteran's Memorial is funded through the 2007 Municipal Park Bond.

### **Justification:**

Alaska is experiencing a heightened awareness of the contributions our service men and women make for the entire United States of America. The Anchorage Veteran's Memorial should provide a respectful place to celebrate, grieve and respect the patriotic acts of our citizens. The existing facility does not meet the needs of a special events community space and is not ADA accessible.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Internal Charges to Others	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>

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## Parks Development

### CAMPBELL PARK

**Project ID:** APR08949

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District  
24-Midtown/Taku, Community: Campbell Park

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

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

**Comments:**

Campbell Park is a heavily used community park with greenbelt trail access as well as an incredible salmon stream – Little Campbell Creek. Improvements are needed to meet the heavy use demand for the park turf and trail, streambanks, playground and park amenities such as benches, trash receptacles, and signage.

Campbell Park is a site for ADF&G's Salmon in the Classroom program and hosts daily Boys and Girls Club park visits throughout the summer. On sunny days there is not a parking space to be found in the park. The community strongly supports this active park environment.

**Justification:**

Campbell Park's heavy use has created wear and tear on the park's infrastructure and streambanks of the adjacent Little Campbell Creek. Life cycle upgrades will protect park users and the community's investment in healthy recreation destinations.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
Restricted Contributions	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue - Direct	600	600	0	0	0	0	1,200
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,600</b>

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## Parks Development

### CARR-GOTTSTEIN PARK

**Project ID:** APR08958

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** August 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 3, Seats D & E, House: District  
28-Bayshore/Klatt, Community: Bayshore/Klatt

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

Carr-Gottstein Park is an undeveloped park that can serve the recreation needs of the Bayshore-Klatt Community Council area in the Southport subdivision. Funds will be used to develop the park in accordance with the community vision, including parking, play facilities, open space and park amenities.

**Comments:**

Carr-Gottstein Park was donated to the Parks and Recreation Department by a local developer and has recently been dedicated. 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:**

The park was donated with intentions to serve the local neighborhood recreation needs which cannot be met until the park is developed.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	50	250	0	0	0	0	300
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>

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## Parks Development

### CHESTER CREEK COMPLEX

**Project ID:** APR08957

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** August 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, Assembly: Areawide, House:  
District 50-Anchorage Areawide, Community: Areawide

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

Requested funding will be used to invest in the lifespan of the Chester Complex facilities, parking and access needs.

**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 Alaska Aces, UAA hockey and basketball programs, Pilots and Bugs 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.

A 2006 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.

**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. Despite recent improvements, significant deficiencies in parking and access remain and impact the ability to use the area efficiently and displace parking to neighborhoods.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	1,000	500	500	0	0	0	2,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	400	400	400	400	0	0	1,600
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,600</b>

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# Parks Development

## CUDDY FAMILY MIDTOWN PARK

**Project ID:** APR08944

**Project Type:**

**Start Date:** May 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District  
24-Midtown/Taku, Community: Midtown

**End Date:** December 2012

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

**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 project will provide that connection as well as a visible place where recreation, relaxation, and public events can take place.

The 2007 Park Bond, other municipal funds and private funds are currently 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.

**Justification:**

Local businesses, the Loussac Library and a strong Citizen Advisory Group strongly support the continued implementation of the Park Master Plan. Private dollars are intended to match the State Legislative Grant request.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	250	250	250	0	0	0	750
State Grant Revenue - Direct	250	250	250	0	0	0	750
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>

**O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## DELANEY PARK - 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:  
Fairview, Community: South Addition

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

Delaney Park is one of Anchorage's oldest and most celebrated parks. 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. Connections and gateways will also 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.

### **Comments:**

Delaney Park 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.

An extensive master plan effort has occurred over the past two years and the final plan identifies repairs and upgrades needed for improvement. A Citizen Advisory Group guided the process along with major public review opportunities. Project funds are intended to systematically upgrade facilities over a multi-year period with strong local as well as private support to match the State funding requests.

### **Justification:**

Funds are needed to maintain Delaney Park as a vibrant public space serving all of Anchorage. The constant wear and tear of major events and sports use combined with outdated facilities has caused major park infrastructure decline.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	500	250	250	250	250	250	1,750
Restricted Contributions	250	250	250	250	250	250	1,500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,250</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>6,250</b>

### **O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## FAR NORTH BICENTENNIAL PARK - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08938

**Project Type:** Upgrade

**Start Date:** June 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide,  
Community: Areawide

**End Date:** August 2012

### **Description:**

Far North Bicentennial Park is Anchorage's largest park, providing year-round outdoor recreation opportunities for the entire 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. The project elements will include trailhead and parking upgrades, increased wayfinding and interpretive signage, and other public amenities to enhance the park as a four-season recreation destination.

### **Comments:**

Far North Bicentennial 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.

The 2007 Park Bond funding is currently implementing a Trails Action Plan to inventory all trails including their condition and current use, establish trail standards, classifications and trail crew specifications, and identify critical missing trail links. The Trails Action Plan will be a comprehensive and strategic trail project list endorsed by the trail community.

In 2006 short term repairs were made to two bridges along the Tour of Anchorage trail, 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.

Project funds are intended to systematically upgrade trails over a multi-year period with strong local as well as private trail organization support to match the State funding requests.

### **Justification:**

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. Trail improvements are 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.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	250	250	100	100	0	0	700
Restricted Contributions	100	100	50	50	0	0	300
State Grant Revenue - Direct	250	250	250	250	0	0	1,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>

### **O & M Costs**

## Parks Development

### GOOSE LAKE PARK - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08942

**Project Type:** Renovation

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 5, Seats H & I, House: District  
22-University/Airport Heights, Community: University Area

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

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, including restrooms, showers, storage, a cafe, and a lifeguard station. Other plan elements include improvements to the safety and security of the park, including the beach and lifeguard areas, parking lot, and play areas. Beach and bank improvements will include water quality protection measures.

**Comments:**

Goose Lake Park provides a wide range of recreation opportunities including one of Anchorage's most popular lakes for summer swimming. Park users include many families from dense housing areas as well as users from the University - Medical (U-MED) District. Park improvements are strongly supported by the community.

**Justification:**

The current 'Boathouse' has deficient electrical and sewer systems, poor interior space design, insufficient public restrooms and a low aesthetic character.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	250	250	0	0	0	0	500
Restricted Contributions	250	0	0	0	0	0	250
State Grant Revenue - Direct	650	650	650	650	650	0	3,250
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,000</b>

**O & M Costs**

## Parks Development

### 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 Lake, Community: Sand Lake

**End Date:** December 2012

**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:**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,100</b>
<b>O &amp; M Costs</b>							



## Parks Development

### LYN ARY PARK

**Project ID:** APR08945

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 3, Seats D & E, House: District  
26-Turnagain/Inlet View, Community: Turnagain

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

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

**Comments:**

Lyn Ary Park received a 2006 State Legislative Grant based on strong community support for this local park. The Turnagain Community Council passed a resolution in December 2007 stating that State Grant funds 'be leveraged for matching funds, and be used to develop a Master Plan for Lyn Ary Park that includes landscaped entrances, recognition of the park's historical significance, and upgrade of playground equipment. The master plan effort is anticipated to be completed by midsummer 2008.

**Justification:**

Life cycle repairs and upgrades are needed to keep this popular park a safe destination for families.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	50	0	0	0	0	0	50
State Grant Revenue - Direct	50	0	0	0	0	0	50
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>O &amp; M Costs</b>							

## Parks Development

### **MARGARET EAGAN SULLIVAN PARK (WESTCHESTER LAGOON)**

**Project ID:** APR08946

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, Assembly: Section 3, Seats D  
& E, House: District 25-East Spenard, House: District  
26-Turnagain/Inlet View, Community: South Addition,  
Community: Turnagain

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

Requested funds would leverage a 2006 State Legislative Grant for Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park. Park improvements include a children's play area, safety upgrades to the Trail Watch Headquarters/Covey Cafe, trail safety improvements as well as parking, lighting and winter access improvements to enhance community needs.

**Comments:**

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 and Coastal Trails. South Addition Community Council currently has a committee working on a children's play area design for the western end of the park. Construction is planned for 2009 to take advantage of the Chester Creek Aquatic Habitat improvements scheduled for 2008.

**Justification:**

Heavy recreation use has created wear and tear on the park's infrastructure. Life cycle upgrades will protect park users and the community's investment in healthy recreation destinations.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
Restricted Contributions	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue - Direct	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>600</b>

**O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## MULDOON COMMUNITY PARK

**Project ID:** APR08940

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 5, Seats H & I, House: District  
19-Muldoon, Community: Northeast

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

Muldoon Community Park is Anchorage's newest acquired park for Northeast Community Council. The requested funds would be used to design and construct the park and its facilities in accordance with a park master plan that outlines the uses and amenities appropriate for the park and its surrounding neighborhood.

### **Comments:**

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.

### **Justification:**

The park was acquired with intentions to serve the local neighborhood recreation needs which cannot be met until the park is developed.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Restricted Contributions	100	100	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue - Direct	550	550	0	0	0	0	1,100
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,400</b>

### **O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## RECREATION FACILITIES UPGRADES - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08956

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** May 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide,  
Community: Community-wide

**End Date:** August 2012

### **Description:**

Parks & Recreation operates two full recreation centers and three outdoor recreation centers, or “chalets”. Recreation Center improvements will include life safety upgrades, such as emergency and functional lighting, door alarms, ceiling tile repairs and replacements, communication and electrical wiring. Fairview Recreation Center needs functional design improvements, as the facility once received an add-on and is outdated, affecting the management, safety, and usability of the facility. Redesign, including significant community involvement, needs to be completed to develop an action plan for future funding and facility improvements. Spenard Recreation Center has always been slated for future expansion, and design work, including community involvement, is required to assess and define the expansion plan at this time. Selkregg Chalet: The building, while in relatively good shape, needs several functional upgrades, such as windows and lighting, as well as expansion.

### **Comments:**

Recreation facilities drew more than 694,000 customer visits in 2007, making them highly used, valuable, and supported by the community. Both the Fairview and Spenard Community Councils have been heavily involved and invested in recreation center discussions, and are eager to work with the MOA to fulfill center improvement objectives. Fairview Recreation Center has only 24,600 square feet, and is the gathering place for community events within the Fairview community. Spenard Recreation Center, by contrast, is 32,500 square feet. Selkregg Chalet in Russian Jack Springs Park is the smallest recreation facility at approximately 2,400 square feet, and is the one most often at capacity, hosting daily recreation programs and rentals. The Chalet serves as regular meeting place for partner user groups, such as Nordic Skiing Association of Anchorage, and First Tee; serves as office space for the Northeast Park District headquarters; serves as a primary warming place for outdoor winter enthusiasts using the sled hill and ski trails; and realizes more than 60,000 visitors each year. The Russian Jack Community Council has been vocal and active in its support of this park and its amenities and consistently demands more services from the Park District. Kincaid Park hosts an amazing number of ski and running events for plain community fun to premier world class competitions, including World Games and Junior Olympic events. Kincaid Park serves as the headquarters of the Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage and is the focus of efforts of the Kincaid Project Group, and receives phenomenal support and funding for facility enhancements.

### **Justification:**

Recreation centers and facilities are the hub of all recreation activities and parks services within the expansive Anchorage Parks & Recreation system. Facilities receive nearly 700,000 visitors each year, making them a vital and integral part of the success of the entire system. All of these existing facilities are more than 20 years old, have not received routine, normal upgrades/improvements, are now deficient in health and safety standards, as well as are deficient in meeting normal operating standards – all which place them in need of immediate repairs and improvements.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	6,000
Restricted Contributions	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	6,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>15,000</b>

### **O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## RUSSIAN JACK SPRINGS PARK

**Project ID:** APR08943

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 5, Seats H & I, House: District  
19-Muldoon, House: District 22-University/Airport Heights,  
Community: Russian Jack Park

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

The First Tee Foundation will construct a learning center and provide improvements to the existing Russian Jack Springs Golf Course to enhance play-ability and allow a pleasant golf experience for entry level golfers. The improvements will include construction of driving range, construction of chip and putt course, pathway connection to Lidia Selkregg Chalet, access to Learning Center by roadway from Pine Street, west of the park and construction of 100 car parking lot. In partnership with the Municipality, First Tee will also improve play-ability of the existing golf course by rerouting holes, replacement of artificial turf greens with grass, re-contouring of approaches, greens, and tees and irrigation of the fairways, tees, greens, and most of learning center.

### **Comments:**

The Municipality is working in partnership with First Tee, a non-profit associated with the PGA of America, the Tiger Woods Foundation, and other professional golf associations to provide healthy recreation opportunities for low income youth. The mission of First Tee is to impact the lives of young people by providing learning facilities and educational programs that promote character development and life-enhancing values through the game of golf. In 2007, Voters approved the 1st Tee and Municipality of Anchorage partnership to enhance learning opportunities at Russian Jack Springs Golf Course. Major improvements are planned for Russian Jack's existing nine-hole, par-three 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. The rebuilt 9-hole course will be a quality, ADA-accessible course designed to accommodate both junior and senior golf learning as well as usage by families.

As a project partner, the Municipality projects will address broader community needs for both winter and summer. These improvements will be funded by the voter approved 2007 General Obligation Bond and include additional trails within the golf course, improvements and regrading of the existing sledding hill to improve safety, a Nordic start/finish area and development of a water source and pond for irrigation which will be used as a skating pond in winter.

### **Justification:**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	500	500	500	0	0	0	1,500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	500	500	0	0	0	1,500
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,000</b>

### **O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## RUTH ARCAND PARK

**Project ID:** APR08951

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 6, Seats J & K, House: District  
30-Lore/Abbott, Community: Abbott Loop

**End Date:** December 2012

### **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. Funds would be used to address growing public use needs and upgrades for the aging facility. Specific health and safety upgrades include an ADA-accessible learning center and a large animal composting facility. Funds would also be used to expanded upgrade the existing trail system to meet public safety and neighborhood access as well as water quality issues including bridge repairs, trail hardening and storm water management. Funds would also be used to expand the picnic and replace the vandalized play area.

### **Comments:**

In 2007, Anchorage voters approved a long-term lease with Alaska Horse Council and Rainbow Connection for maintenance and development of equestrian, trail and other municipal facilities in Ruth Arcand Park. This project is supported by the Rainbow Connection and equestrian groups who are working to raise matching funds from a variety of sources to assist with the development of these projects.

### **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 the local water supply.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Restricted Contributions	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,100	0	0	0	0	0	1,100
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,700</b>

### **O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## SECTION 36 - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08952

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** August 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 6, Seats J & K, House: District  
32-Chugach State Park, Community: Bear Valley

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

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

**Comments:**

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

The current Master Plan work is under contract and is anticipated to be complete by the end of 2008.

**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.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,200</b>

**O & M Costs**

## Parks Development

### SOUTH ANCHORAGE SPORTS PARK

**Project ID:** APR09059

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** January 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Areawide, House: Community-wide, Community:  
Areawide

**End Date:** December 2010

**Description:**

Install Well for Irrigation to serve 4 soccer fields, 4 little league fields and 1 American Legion field.

**Comments:**

The South Anchorage Sports Complex contains fields for baseball and soccer used by various recreational and competitive sports leagues.

**Justification:**

The South Anchorage Sports Complex currently has an inadequate irrigation system. Development of a well to supply water to the irrigation system is needed to make the system reliable and functional. Pumping water from a nearby pond has not proven practical. Irrigation is critical to provide a safe usable turf surface for its intended use.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	350	0	0	0	0	0	350
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>

**O & M Costs**



## Parks Development

### STORCK PARK

**Project ID:** APR08960

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** May 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 6, Seats J & K, House: District  
32-Chugach State Park, Community: Bear Valley,  
Community: Rabbit Creek

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

Storck Park is located in the Southeast Park District and will serve as a gateway park to the future Section 36 Park. Funds will be used to rehabilitate park safety items including the vandalized wind break, playground, turf, trail and signage improvements.

**Comments:**

The community council supports rehabilitation projects for this well used Bear Valley park.

**Justification:**

Life cycle replacements are needed to address serious safety issues at the playground facility and vandalized park amenities.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	100	25	25	25	0	0	175
State Grant Revenue - Direct	200	50	50	50	0	0	350
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>525</b>

**O & M Costs**

## Parks Development

### TOTEM FIELDS- PARK/ASD PARTNERSHIP-PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08968

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** July 2009

**Location:**

**End Date:** October 2010

**Description:**

Funding will allow construction of a second neighborhood ballfield and parking. The soccer fields are located on Anchorage School District Property so will function as a school playground if a school is chosen to be constructed at this location.

**Comments:**

**Justification:**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - I	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>500</b>

**O & M Costs**

## Parks Development

### TOWN SQUARE PARK - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08939

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** October 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Section 1, Seat B, Assembly: Areawide, House:  
District 23-Downtown/Rogers Park, House: District  
50-Anchorage Areawide, Community: Areawide, Community:  
Downtown

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

Funds would be used to leverage municipal and private funds to create a permanent summer reflecting pond/winter ice skating rink, improved lighting, installation of an irrigation system and stage area.

**Comments:**

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.

In 2007, voters approved a \$250,000 Municipal Park Bond for the park and the Mayor has appointed a Citizen Advisory Group to guide the improvements.

**Justification:**

Upgrades are needed for Town Square Park to 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.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	250	0	0	0	0	0	250
Restricted Contributions	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	2,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>2,750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,750</b>

**O & M Costs**

## Parks Development

### 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  
23-Downtown/Rogers Park, House: District 25-East Spenard,  
Community: North Star, Community: South Addition

**End Date:** December 2012

**Description:**

Requested funds will be used to leverage municipal and Anchorage Park Foundation funds for upgrades to 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:**

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.

In 2007, voters approved a \$250,000 municipal park bond which is funding design and small improvements to this extremely popular community park.

**Justification:**

Unfortunately, the popularity and extensive use of the park has left visible signs on the park infrastructure. Funds are needed to ensure a safe community park for future generations.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>600</b>

**O & M Costs**

## CAMPBELL CREEK TRAIL AND LAKE OTIS CROSSING

**Project ID:** APR08963

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** August 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 4, Seats F & G, House: District  
24-Midtown/Taku, Community: Campbell Park

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

Funds from this grant would be used to complete the preliminary engineering of a grade-separated crossing of Campbell Creek Trail and Lake Otis Boulevard, further enhancing the trail system for commuting to work and recreation opportunities. The total park improvement project cost is \$3.5 million.

### **Project Budget:**

Preliminary Engineering	\$150,000
Final Engineering	\$150,000
Construction	\$3,200,000
<b>Total Project Cost:</b>	<b>\$3,500,000</b>

### **Comments:**

85% of Anchorage Park users enjoy greenbelt trails for recreation and transportation needs. Campbell Creek Trail provides non-motorized links between many residential areas, parks and schools, close-to-home recreation, and a sense of community. Campbell Creek trail increases economic development potential and contributes to a healthy community by protecting water quality, fish habitat and wildlife movement corridors.

The recently adopted Anchorage Bowl Park, Natural Resource, and Recreation Facility Plan outlines strategies for existing trail improvements and includes trail connectivity as an important component. A grade-separated crossing was strongly supported at the Central Park District Planning workshop in April of 2005.

### **Justification:**

The current pedestrian crossing of Campbell Creek Trail and Lake Otis Boulevard is considered inconvenient by most through-trails users and results in pedestrians dashing across the busy street to avoid the long detour. The route parallels Lake Otis along a sidewalk, descends a set of deteriorating stairs, goes through a tunnel and back along Lake Otis as a separated pathway. The current conditions have created an unsafe intersection for both pedestrians and vehicular traffic.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	200	0	0	0	0	0	200
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>

### **O & M Costs**

## CHESTER CREEK TO CAMPBELL CREEK TRAIL CONNECTION MATCH

**Project ID:** APR09966

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** May 2009

**Location:**

**End Date:** December 2010

**Description:**

Funding will provide match funds to the \$7.2 million federal investment to provide a link from Lanie Fleischer Chester Creek Trail to the Tudor Road crossing and the Campbell Creek Trail. The trail also includes a link from Elmore Road to the UAA campus.

**Comments:**

**Justification:**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	300	0	0	0	0	0	300
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>

**O & M Costs**

## FISH CREEK TRAIL

**Project ID:** APR08961

**Project Type:**

**Start Date:** August 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 3, Seats D & E, House: District 25-East  
Spenard, House: District 26-Turnagain/Inlet View, Community:  
Spenard

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

A design and engineering contract is on track for completing the project design in 2008. Requested funds will be used to construct the Fish Creek Trail extension from Spenard Road to Northwood Park.

### **Comments:**

The recently adopted Anchorage Bowl Park, Natural Resource, and Recreation Facility Plan outlines strategies for existing trail improvements and includes trail connectivity as an important component. This trail extension connects the Fish Creek trail across Spenard Road and extends the greenbelt trail south to Northwood Park, further enhancing the trail system for commuting to work and recreation opportunities.

Municipal bonds are funding the current design and engineering work. This project has been a priority for the Spenard Community Council for many years and they have appointed a 3-member panel to advise the implementation of this project.

### **Justification:**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>

### **O & M Costs**

## GREENBELT TRAILS

**Project ID:** APR08955

**Project Type:** Rehabilitation

**Start Date:** June 2009

**Location:** Assembly: Areawide, House: District 50-Anchorage Areawide,  
Community: Areawide

**End Date:** December 2013

### **Description:**

Funds from this grant would be combined with Anchorage Park Foundation dollars and municipal bonds to implement a multi-year, comprehensive repair program to address serious safety and security concerns on 250 miles of paved greenbelt trails. The plan elements will include the rehabilitation/replacement of existing trails and bridges, asphalt patching, resurfacing, amenity upgrades and signage/wayfinding.

### **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.

85% of Anchorage Park users enjoy greenbelt trails for recreation and transportation needs. There is strong support to provide life-cycle trail repairs to keep up maintenance of Anchorage's world-class trail network.

### **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.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	6,000
Restricted Contributions	250	250	250	250	250	250	1,500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	6,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>13,500</b>

### **O & M Costs**



## SHIP CREEK TRAIL - TYSON ELEMENTARY TO GLENN HIGHWAY

**Project ID:** APR09967

**Project Type:** Extension

**Start Date:** May 2009

**Location:**

**End Date:** May 2013

### **Description:**

The proposed 2.4 mile trail segment would satisfy a long planned need and connect Tyson Elementary School to the Glenn Highway Trail at Boniface Parkway. It will provide a much needed connection for the Mountain View neighborhood along the boundary of Elmendorf Air Force Base.

### **Comments:**

The ultimate build-out of the Ship Creek Trail will create a regional trail facility that connects Kincaid Park via the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail with the Glenn Highway trail and Chugiak/Eagle River - a distance of over 40 miles.

### **Justification:**

Ship Creek is intended to provide better pedestrian and bicycle access to schools, shopping, employment, and cultural/recreational centers and promote the sense of community for the low-automobile neighborhoods of Downtown.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - I	1,300	2,000	6,000	0	0	0	9,300
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,300</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,300</b>

### **O & M Costs**

## TONY KNOWLES COASTAL TRAIL TO FISH CREEK TRAIL CONNECTION

**Project ID:** APR08962

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** August 2008

**Location:** Assembly: Section 3, Seats D & E, House: District  
26-Turnagain/Inlet View, Community: Turnagain

**End Date:** December 2012

### **Description:**

Funds from this grant would be used to complete preliminary engineering of a trail connection linking the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail to the Fish Creek Trail, further enhancing the trail system for commuting to work and recreation opportunities.

### **Comments:**

85% of Anchorage Park users enjoy greenbelt trails for recreation and transportation needs. The Tony Knowles Coastal Trail and Fish Creek Trail provide non-motorized links between many residential areas, parks and schools, close-to-home recreation, and a sense of community. The trails increase economic development potential and contributes to a healthy community by protecting water quality, fish habitat and wildlife movement corridors.

The recently adopted Anchorage Bowl Park, Natural Resource, and Recreation Facility Plan outlines strategies for existing trail improvements and includes trail connectivity as an important component. A greenbelt trail connecting the two major recreation trails has been recommended from the community for many years and was an action item for the Northwest Park District meeting in April 2005.

### **Justification:**

Even though there is not an official trail, many people trespass along the railroad ROW creating a safety problem for pedestrians and train traffic.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	150	0	0	0	0	0	150
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150</b>

### **O & M Costs**