

# **ANCHORAGE PARKS & RECREATION**

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE  
**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	2011	0	100	0	100	200
	2012	0	50	0	50	100
	2013	0	50	0	50	100
	2014	0	50	0	0	50
	2015	0	50	0	0	50
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>500</b>
ANCHORAGE MULTI-USE ATHLETIC FIELDS	2010	0	1,000	0	500	1,500
	2011	250	0	0	500	750
	2012	0	250	0	500	750
	2013	0	0	0	500	500
	2014	0	250	0	0	250
	2015	0	250	0	0	250
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>250</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>4,000</b>
ANCHORAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS	2010	0	600	0	500	1,100
	2011	500	500	0	500	1,500
	2012	0	500	0	500	1,000
	2013	500	500	0	500	1,500
	2014	0	500	0	500	1,000
	2015	500	500	0	500	1,500
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>1,500</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>7,600</b>
CARR-GOTTSTEIN PARK	2011	0	250	0	0	250
	2012	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>
CHESTER CREEK COMPLEX	2011	0	400	0	0	400
	2012	0	400	0	0	400
	2013	0	400	0	0	400
	2014	0	400	0	0	400
	2015	0	400	0	0	400
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>
DELANEY PARK - PHASE II	2010	0	600	0	100	700
	2011	250	850	0	100	1,200
	2012	0	600	0	100	700
	2013	250	850	0	100	1,200
	2014	0	600	0	100	700
	2015	250	850	0	100	1,200
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>750</b>	<b>4,350</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>5,700</b>
FAR NORTH BICENTENNIAL PARK - PHASE II	2010	0	500	0	600	1,100
	2011	0	0	0	300	300
	2012	0	250	0	300	550
	2013	250	0	0	0	250
	2015	0	250	0	300	550
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>250</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>2,750</b>
MARGARET EAGAN SULLIVAN PARK (WESTCHESTER LAGOON)	2010	0	250	0	0	250

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		BONDS	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	
MARGARET EAGAN SULLIVAN PARK (WESTCHESTER LAGOON)	2011	0	100	0	0	100
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>
MULDOON COMMUNITY PARK	2010	0	550	0	100	650
	2011	100	0	0	100	200
	2012	0	550	0	100	650
	2013	100	0	0	100	200
	2014	0	550	0	100	650
	2015	100	0	0	100	200
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>300</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>2,550</b>
RECREATION FACILITIES UPGRADES - PHASE II	2010	0	1,000	0	500	1,500
	2011	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
	2013	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
	2015	500	1,000	0	500	2,000
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>1,500</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>7,500</b>
RUSSIAN JACK SPRINGS PARK	2010	0	500	0	0	500
	2011	0	0	0	500	500
	2013	250	0	0	500	750
	2015	0	500	0	500	1,000
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>250</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>2,750</b>
STORCK PARK	2011	50	50	0	25	125
	2013	50	50	0	25	125
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>Parks Development CIP Total</b>		<b>4,900</b>	<b>19,850</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,450</b>	<b>36,200</b>
<b>Trails</b>						
AREAWIDE TRAILS	2010	0	1,000	250	250	1,500
	2011	1,000	0	250	250	1,500
	2012	0	1,000	250	250	1,500
	2013	1,000	0	250	250	1,500
	2014	0	1,000	250	250	1,500
	2015	1,000	1,000	250	250	2,500
<b>Project CIP Total</b>		<b>3,000</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>Trails CIP Total</b>		<b>3,000</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>Anchorage Parks &amp; Recreation CIP Total</b>		<b>7,900</b>	<b>23,850</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>12,950</b>	<b>46,200</b>

# Parks Development

## ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY PARK

**Project ID:** APR08959

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** August 2010

**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 2016

### 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 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 2006-2008 including the paved parking lot, Little League circulation area, 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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Restricted Contributions	0	100	50	50	0	0	200
State Grant Revenue - Direct	0	100	50	50	50	50	300
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>500</b>

### O & M Costs

# Parks Development

## ANCHORAGE MULTI-USE ATHLETIC FIELDS

**Project ID:** APR08954

**Project Type:** Upgrade

**Start Date:** June 2010

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

**End Date:** December 2016

### **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 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. 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.

### **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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	250	0	0	0	0	250
Restricted Contributions	500	500	500	500	0	0	2,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	0	250	0	250	250	1,750
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>4,000</b>

### **O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## ANCHORAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

**Project ID:** APR08953

**Project Type:** Rehabilitation

**Start Date:** June 2010

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

**End Date:** December 2017

### 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 complementary park amenities to enhance the neighborhood park experience.

### Comments:

Neighborhood parks form the backbone of the Anchorage park system. They provide close-to-home recreation opportunities for Anchorage residents, including areas for play, family interaction and community socializing. Neighborhood parks contribute to a neighborhood's sense of identity. These important community assets need upgrades to ensure that they provide safe, healthy and secure places for families and children. A large part of the neighborhood park system was built in the 1980's and has experienced extensive use from the community over the years. Park equipment is reaching the end of its life cycle, and requires renovation or replacement.

In the fall of 2008, the Parks & Recreation Department implemented the Anchorage Parks Report Card project, in which community volunteers evaluated their neighborhood parks and created comprehensive "Fix It List" for repairs and improvements. In the summer of 2009 the Parks & Recreation Department completed "Fix It List" items in 14 neighborhood parks.

The state funding request would be used to continue the Neighborhood Park Fit Its. Fix Its will include the rehabilitation or replacement of existing facilities and the development of complementary park amenities to enhance the neighborhood park experience.

### 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 its life cycle and is in need of replacement. The Fix It projects provides resources that establish a regular maintenance cycle for deferred maintenance in Neighborhood Parks, Private dollars will be used as coverage to double this project's effectiveness.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	500	0	500	0	500	1,500
Restricted Contributions	500	500	500	500	500	500	3,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	600	500	500	500	500	500	3,100
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>7,600</b>

### O & M Costs

# Parks Development

## CARR-GOTTSTEIN PARK

**Project ID:** APR08958

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** August 2010

**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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	0	250	0	0	0	0	250
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>

**O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## CHESTER CREEK COMPLEX

**Project ID:** APR08957

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** August 2010

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

**End Date:** December 2017

**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 displaces parking to neighborhoods.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	0	400	400	400	400	400	2,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>2,000</b>

**O & M Costs**



# Parks Development

## DELANEY PARK - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08348

**Project Type:** Upgrade

**Start Date:** May 2010

**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 2016

### 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, 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.

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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	250	0	250	0	250	750
State Grant Revenue - Direct	600	850	600	850	600	850	4,350
Unrestricted Contribution	100	100	100	100	100	100	600
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>5,700</b>

### O & M Costs

# Parks Development

## FAR NORTH BICENTENNIAL PARK - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08938

**Project Type:** Upgrade

**Start Date:** June 2010

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

**End Date:** August 2016

### 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 assessing existing conditions and current use, establishing trail standards, classifications and trail crew specifications. 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 needs a long-term structural solution. This trail is an important north-south connector through Far North Bicentennial Park, the route of the popular Tour of Anchorage ski race and part of the national ski-marathon series and of 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 challenges. 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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	0	0	250	0	0	250
Restricted Contributions	600	300	300	0	0	300	1,500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	0	250	0	0	250	1,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>2,750</b>

### O & M Costs

# Parks Development

## MARGARET EAGAN SULLIVAN PARK (WESTCHESTER LAGOON)

**Project ID:** APR08946

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** June 2010

**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 2016

**Description:**

Requested funds would leverage a 2006 State Legislative Grant (\$100,000) and a Federal Grant (\$65,000) to: construct an age-separated children’s playground (already designed); provide ADA accessibility and safety/lighting upgrades to the Trail Watch Headquarters/Covey Café; and, provide parking & pedestrian safety improvements to correct current dangerous conditions.

**Comments:**

A bird-lover’s paradise, Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park is one of the Municipality’s most heavily-used parks – for people and waterfowl. Commuting, recreational use of the Chester Creek Trail and the Coastal Trail as well as use for large community events bring thousands of visitors to the park each month.

**Justification:**

There is no area in this very heavily used park for a child’s active play. Children frequent the ‘adult exercise station’, near the Covy Café, which is not designed for use by children and because of that is dangerous. The current parking configuration at Covy Café forces people to walk behind backing vehicles to get to the Café’. Heavy recreation use of this park by children without an appropriate play area, correction of dangerous conditions and accessibility compliance will be corrected in this project.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
State Grant Revenue - Direct	250	100	0	0	0	0	350
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>

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# Parks Development

## MULDOON COMMUNITY PARK

**Project ID:** APR08940

**Project Type:** New

**Start Date:** June 2010

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

**End Date:** December 2016

**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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	100	0	100	0	100	300
Restricted Contributions	100	100	100	100	100	100	600
State Grant Revenue - Direct	550	0	550	0	550	0	1,650
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>2,550</b>

**O & M Costs**

# Parks Development

## RECREATION FACILITIES UPGRADES - PHASE II

**Project ID:** APR08956

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** May 2010

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

**End Date:** August 2016

### 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. 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.

### 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, and are deficient in meeting normal operating standards – all which place them in need of immediate repairs and improvements.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	500	0	500	0	500	1,500
Restricted Contributions	500	500	0	500	0	500	2,000
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000	4,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>7,500</b>

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# Parks Development

## RUSSIAN JACK SPRINGS PARK

**Project ID:** APR08943

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** June 2010

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

**End Date:** December 2016

### Description:

Russian Jack Springs Golf Course will receive improvements to enhance play-ability and allow a pleasant golf experience for entry level golfers. The improvements will include upgrades to the existing course, pathway connection to Lidia Selkregg Chalet, and roadway and parking upgrades. 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:

Russian Jack Springs Park is located in Northeast Anchorage in a highly-populated and underserved area. The park provides a variety of park and recreation services to the entire community. Deferred maintenance upgrades are planned for Russian Jack's existing nine-hole three-par golf course with grass greens, automated irrigation, a practice area, and pitch and put area. The upgraded nine hole course will be a quality ADA accessible course accommodating both individual golf users and families.

Other park improvements will include the relocation of picnic areas for enhanced visibility, and a children's playground. Planned winter recreational improvements include a sledding hill, Nordic start and finish area, a lighted multi-use trail, and a skating pond. Pedestrian amenities, trail improvements, and signage are also planned.

### Justification:

Russian Jack Springs Park assets and infrastructure are in need of upgrades and replacement to provide safe, healthy and secure places for the public. Much of the Russian Jack Springs Park system was built in the 70's and 80's and has received lots of use. Much of the Park is at the end or past its life cycle and is in need of replacement.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	0	0	250	0	0	250
Restricted Contributions	0	500	0	500	0	500	1,500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	500	0	0	0	0	500	1,000
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>2,750</b>

### O & M Costs

# Parks Development

## STORCK PARK

**Project ID:** APR08960

**Project Type:** Improvement

**Start Date:** May 2010

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

**End Date:** December 2016

**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 features including the athletic field, parking area and trail 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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	50	0	50	0	0	100
Restricted Contributions	0	25	0	25	0	0	50
State Grant Revenue - Direct	0	50	0	50	0	0	100
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>

**O & M Costs**

**AREAWIDE TRAILS**

**Project ID:** APR08955

**Project Type:** Rehabilitation

**Start Date:** June 2010

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

**End Date:** December 2016

**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 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.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
<b>Revenue Sources</b>							
Bond Proceeds	0	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000	3,000
Federal Revenue - Direct	250	250	250	250	250	250	1,500
Restricted Contributions	250	250	250	250	250	250	1,500
State Grant Revenue - Direct	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	4,000
<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>2,500</b>	<b>10,000</b>

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