

All Proposed 2026 Scenic Foothills Capital Projects

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Priority 1

East Anchorage JBER Perimeter Trail

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need: This trail will provide direct access for cyclists, pedestrians and other trail users between the Glenn Highway and the Campbell Creek greenbelt. Thousands of area residents will be able to use this trail for transportation, recreation and commuting. Project scope: As identified in the East Anchorage District plan, a bike trail between the Glenn Highway that continues south along the military boundary and then bends westward on the Northeast connector Trail along Tudor Rd. A land swap with JBER would need to be secured for this project to move forward. Northeast and Scenic Foothills Community council have passed resolutions of support.

Project Scope: Trail connecting Chugach Foothills to the Glenn Highway, passing through Muldoon Town Square Park

Project Status:

Priority 2

Goose Lake to UAA Drive Pathway Rehabilitation

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: A well-used trail system exists in Goose Lake Park, extending into the UAA and APU properties. It consists of a mix of asphalt and dirt trails used for year-round recreation. In particular, a multi-use paved trail connects the Chester Creek Greenbelt to the UMED district and is in need of asphalt rehabilitation.

Project Scope: Funds will be used for approximately .75 miles of pavement rehabilitation as well as improving connectivity and safety in the area.

Project Status:

Priority 3

Multi-use paved trail Repair

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need: The pedestrian/bike paths along 36th avenue, Northern Lights by Arnold Muldoon Park, throughout Chugach Foothills Park and along Northern Lights from Patterson to Baxter are in disrepair from tree root damage and deterioration. These paths are heavily used and need upgrades to make usage safe.

Project Scope:

Project Status:

Priority 4

Path Connection Pioneer Drive to Regal Mountain Drive, along Muldoon road

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need: The current bike/pedestrian path that along Muldoon road ends just south of Regal mountain Dr. The should be extended to meet Regal Mountain Drive and eventually hook into the Northeast Connector trail.(to be completed 2023) The access from Regal Mountain to this dead-end path has a gate that does not allow a bicycle towing a child's trailer access to the side walk on Muldoon.

Project Scope:

Project Status:

Priority 5

Playground Development- Inclusive Play

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Anchorage Parks and Recreation manages over 80 playgrounds and is a national leader for inclusive play. In 2018 the department completed a strategic plan for inclusive play- "The State of Play in the MOA." This plan highlights improvements to playgrounds across anchorage that go beyond ADA accessibility.

Project Scope: Funding will be used to renovate neighborhood and community use park playgrounds to provide a more inclusive experience by upgrading play equipment and safety surfacing by removing barriers to access for children and families

Project Status:

Priority 6

Pleasant Valley Subdivision Area Road subdivision Road Reconstruction/upgrade (14-26)

Agency:

Cost: \$15,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$400,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$14,600,000.00

Need: Most local roads in this area are rated Condition F in the 2008 GASB survey. This project has been a priority for Scenic Foothills Community Council

Project Scope: This project will continue the upgrade of the local roads in the area to current municipal standards. Improvements are expected to include a new road base, pavement, storm drains with curb and gutter, street lights and pedestrian facilities if warranted.

Project Status:

Priority 7

Pleasant Valley Subdivision Road Reconstruction Phase II

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required: \$6,000,000.00

Need: The roads in the subdivision are demonstrating signs of total road base failure as evidenced by asphalt cracking, pot holing, curb jacking, and frost heaving. Most of these streets were rated in failing condition according to the 2023 GASB survey. The project is a priority for area residents and the community council.

Project Scope: The project will reconstruct the eastern side of Pleasant Valley subdivision. Improvements are expected to include a new road base, storm drains with curb and gutter, updated street lighting, and an analysis of the desire and need for pedestrian facilities.

Project Status: A draft DSR was completed for the entire subdivision in 2017. The project is on a funding hold. Continued design funding is programmed in the CIP through ARDSA road bonds.

Priority 8

Regal Mountain Cir Emergency Egress to Muldoon Rd

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$100,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$50,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$50,000.00

Need: The current ped/bike opening is too narrow for bike trailers and other non-motorized users. In addition, the emergency egress opening is only 14', which is six feet less than the size recommended for emergency vehicles.

Project Scope: The project will construct a new wider pedestrian/bike access between Regal Mountain Circle and Muldoon Road. The emergency egress opening will be widened to conform with Anchorage Fire Department standards.

Project Status: Reviewing existing easements and access. Will be coordinating with MOA Survey to secure appropriate easements, and design new gate, and have it constructed with Term Contractor. Draft documents have been submitted for review.

Priority 9

Regal Mountain Dr Area Road Reconstruction

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$8,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$8,000,000.00

Need: The roads in the subdivision are in failing condition according to the most recent GASB survey. The evidence of this condition is the pot holes, cracking, and frost heaves.

Project Scope: The project will reconstruct Regal Mountain Drive and Circle along with Chaimi Loop. Improvements are expected to include a new road base with curb and gutter, repair or replacement of the storm drains, pedestrian facilities if warranted, and updated street lighting.

Project Status: The project has not started. Design study funding is programmed in the out years of the six-year CIP.

Priority 10

Section 36 Trail Development and Park Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: A number of community members and groups have approached the department requesting elements of the master plan be realized including the formalization of trails for hiking and mountain biking.

Project Scope: Realize improvements and priorities in the master plan including trail development.

Project Status:

Priority 11

Tikishla St Reconstruction

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$1,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,000,000.00

Need: The Scenic Foothills Community Council identified the project need. The road surface is eroding as evidenced by extensive pot holing and cracking. Frost heaves are evident and causing some curb jacking. The 2023 GASB survey rated the street surface in poor condition.

Project Scope: The project will reconstruct the road. Improvements are expected to include a new road base with asphalt and curb and upgraded street lighting.

Project Status: The project has not started. It will remain on the Needs List for future funding consideration.

No Assigned Priority

Scenic Park Elementary School Pedestrian Improvements (22-22)

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$750,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$750,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: A grant was received in 2013 to explore alternatives for safer walking routes to all Anchorage elementary schools. This project will promote safety by enabling and encouraging children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bike to school.

Project Scope: The project will design and construct improvements in the Scenic Park Elementary School area that have been identified through the prior grant study. Project will install new side walk on north side of Madelynne drive to include relocation of pedestrian crosswalk and installation of additional street lighting

Project Status: Design is complete. Construction on hold indefinitely.

No Assigned Priority

Town Square Park Safety and Lighting Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Downtown organizations, agencies, businesses and park neighbors have expressed frustration with the design and use of Town Square Park. Many feel that the park is underutilized, unsafe and doesn't meet the needs of the surrounding facilities.

Project Scope: Funds will be used to replace and enhance aging lighting facilities throughout the park.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Potter Marsh Watershed Park Master Plan and Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: In late 2024, Great Land Trust and the MOA completed an acquisition of land that created a 300 acre park in south Anchorage. A Master Plan is needed to identify community priorities and wishes within the park relating to park development including trail improvements, parking areas, signage, and other amenities.

Project Scope: Identify a 20 year vision for Potter Marsh Watershed Park.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Speed deterrent Pioneer Drive

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need: Speed along Pioneer drive has been a recurrent complaint among neighbors. Children wait for school buses along this route and the road is heavily used by pedestrians. A speed hump or other speed deterrents should be added. Crosswalk at Pioneer and the park needs a flashing light.

Project Scope:

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Spenard Recreation Center Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: The Spenard Recreation Center is an aging and important community asset. Upgrades are needed to ensure that the facility continues to serve the needs of the community for years to come.

Project Scope: Funding will be used to upgrade recreation center facilities.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Stuckagain Heights Emergency Egress

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$10,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$10,000,000.00

Need: There are several hundred homes in the Stuckagain Heights neighborhood with a single road available for egress. The importance of having a secondary access, if only to be used in emergency situations, cannot be overstated. The McHugh fire in recent years created a sense of urgency for the Municipality of Anchorage to address the need for the secondary access. The project is a priority for the Municipality and area residents.

Project Scope: The project will design and construct an emergency-only route from Stuckagain Heights Subdivision to the existing road system to either the north or to the south.

Project Status: The project has not started. State grant funding is proposed for design and construction.

No Assigned Priority

Multi-use trails and access

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Safety upgrades are needed along major greenbelt trails to support trail use in all seasons. This includes lighting missing links and spur trails, wayfinding with emergency locators, bridge upgrades as needed.

Project Scope: Add LED lighting to trails and missing greenbelt trail links. Upgrade/replace aging bridges. Upgrade signage and wayfinding.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Fairview Recreation Center Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: The Fairview Recreation Center was built in the 1980s and facilities are aging and in need of upgrades. Parks and Recreation is working with the community to identify upgrades to ensure that the facility continues to serve the needs of the community for years to come.

Project Scope: Funding will be used to upgrade recreation center facilities as identified in the recently completed Fairview Recreation Center Strategic Plan.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Far North Bicentennial Park Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: There are over 100 miles of soft surface trails in FNBP. Trail and trailhead infrastructure (bridges, lighting, parking lots, signage, drainage) needs to be repaired to keep pace with increasing demand.

Project Scope: Bridge repair, trail sustainability projects, trail reroutes and construction of missing trail links, parking lot improvements.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

I Street Stairway

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: This stairway links the Chester Creek Trail to the South Addition neighborhood at 16th Ave and I Street. This stairway provides a critical pedestrian connection for community members.

Project Scope: Remove and replace stairways.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Kincaid Park Master Plan and Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Kincaid Park features world class cross-country ski trails, single track mountain biking trails, a large soccer complex, archery range, biathlon range, motocross track, disc golf course, and chalet. As park visitor numbers continue to grow, and funding for upgrades is needed to maintain this park as a premier recreation destination. An update to the Kincaid Park Master Plan is needed to help understand modern day community priorities for this park.

Project Scope: The scope for this project includes engaging users, stakeholders, and community members in an update of the Kincaid Park Master Plan, taking into consideration how the park has evolved since the original master plan in 1983, and again since the update to that master plan in 2006.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Kincaid Park Safety and Access Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Kincaid Park features world class cross-country ski trails, single track mountain biking trails, a large soccer complex, archery range, biathlon range, motocross track, disc golf course, boating, fishing and a chalet. This park has ongoing needs relating to safety, access, and user group amenities.

Project Scope: Investment in amenities relating to user groups, work relating to erosion and stabilization throughout the park, circulation and access improvements, lighting and safety improvements.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Margaret Eagan Sullivan/Westchester Lagoon Facility Redevelopment

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park, home to Westchester Lagoon, is one of Anchorage's most popular parks. Proposed upgrades at Covey Café include enhanced utilities for winter operations and replacing the café with a new structure to provide indoor gathering spaces for year-round recreation. The improvements will also feature rentable areas and better support for year-round concessions.

Project Scope: Funding will be used to upgrade the structural facilities at Margret Egan Sullivan Park, including upgrading the existing covey café to accomidate indoor events, bathrooms, warming space, boat storage, and a café.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

AMATS: Campbell Creek Lake Otis Crossing

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: The Campbell Creek Trail consists of an east and west trail which is separated by Lake Otis Blvd. Pedestrians and cyclists are required to travel a half mile to the south to access a tunnel under Lake Otis Blvd. An overpass would provide for a more direct connection and eliminate safety concerns associated with trail users cutting directly across traffic.

Project Scope: Design and construct an elevated bike/pedestrian bridge over Lake Otis Blvd to connect the east and west portions of the Campbell Creek Trail.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

AMATS: Fish Creek to the Ocean

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Non Motorized transportation that connects Spenard, Midtown, Turnagain, West Anchorage and Downtown

Project Scope: Connect the Fish Creek Trail at Northern Lights Blvd to the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

AMATS: Sitka Street Park Connectivity

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Interest from local community councils to improve neighborhood access to the Chester Creek Trail from Sitka Street in addition to bringing the existing bridge into compliance for winter maintenance operations.

Project Scope: Funds will be used to enhance existing trail and bridge Sitka Street Park as well as construct a trail connection from Sitka Street to the Chester Creek Greenbelt and the Maplewood St spur.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Athletic Field Safety Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Anchorage's athletic fields are well used during the short summer season. Funding will be used to improve athletic fields and supporting facilities in coordination with user groups.

Project Scope: Improvements to athletic fields throughout the Anchorage Bowl to improve play for youth and adult sports. Improvements include turf rehabilitation, fence repair, irrigation systems repairs, amenities, and general facility improvements.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Campbell Creek Trail Rehabilitation and Wayfinding

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Continuation of multi-year, multi-phase trail rehabilitation project including pavement resurfacing, drainage improvements, wayfinding, streambank restoration, and bridge replacement along the Campbell Creek Trail. Previously completed bond funded phases have rehabilitated trail from Dimond Blvd to Fairbanks Street. Future phases will continue east along the trail to Elmore Rd.

Project Scope: Asphalt repair, lighting assessment and improvements, bridge repair/replacement, signage improvements.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Chester Creek Sports Complex Planning and Development

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: This complex is in need of capital improvements and reinvestment including updated ballfields, hockey facilities, pickleball, baseball, softball, lighting, access and circulation improvements. All of these improvements need to be considered within its modern context of recreation needs for our city and region.

Project Scope: The last Master Plan for the Chester Creek Sports Complex, approved in 2006, aimed to address outdated facilities and transform the complex into a community asset. Since then, additional public engagement led to a 2015 Major Site Plan review focused on parking expansion and a renovated Mulcahy Stadium. The upcoming 20-year update will involve community input and include a vision for the entire park.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Chester Creek-Campbell Creek Trail Connection Lighting

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Trail user safety is a priority for the Department and the residents of Anchorage. The Chester Creek-Campbell Creek trail connection is a well used link between two major greenbelts within Anchorage. Trail safety will increase with the addition of lighting for the long winter months. LED technology continues to decrease in cost and the utility bills are a fraction of traditional lighting technology.

Project Scope: Add light poles and LED light fixtures to the Chester Creek Trail-Campbell Creek Trail Connection from the Tudor Road overpass all the way to Goose Lake Park/Northern Lights Bridge.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Coastal Trail Shoreline Erosion

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: To protect the shoreline and trail corridor from shoreline erosion threatening the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail.

Project Scope: Design, permit, and construct a solution to protect against shoreline erosion along the land-water interface near the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Cuddy Family Midtown Park Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: Cuddy Family Midtown Park is a popular community use park in midtown anchorage that features citywide events including concerts, celebrations, athletic events and Winter Solstice. Additionally, the ice skating community has requested a warming facility (chalet) and repairs to the audio system associated with the speed skating loop.

Project Scope: Improvements to park and facilities to serve users for year round activities and events. Improvements will also include safety, accessibility, and infrastructure upgrades.

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

Delaney Park Improvements (Pete's Gym)

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$0.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$0.00

Need: The roof of the gym is in poor condition, and facility staff have indicated that the building may no longer be viable. Further public involvement, analysis, and design is needed to determine the future of this structure.

Project Scope: Scope will be refined through further examination of facility and community priorities.

Project Status: