

**APPENDIX B**

**Public Input Documentation**

## Park History

It is rare for a township to successfully pursue and establish a major park facility. Beginning in 1992, the Charter Township of Flushing, began the process of purchasing 130 acres from the Donaski family. Supervisor Granville Auken and Treasurer Carl Liepmann spearheaded the effort to purchase the property and begin development of a nature preserve. In October 1994, the township obtained a Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) grant for \$172,000 to help fund the purchase with a 25% match from the Township. An additional \$151,000 grant from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund was received, in December 1995, to initiate park development. Flushing Township Nature Park was again cited by the MDNR with a third grant totaling \$281,525 in grant funds for more extensive park development. The house and 2 acres, used as the Park Manager's residence was purchased for \$135,000 in 2001.

Work commenced on the restrooms, utility buildings and pavilion after installation of the entrance driveway. The observation deck, concrete handicap loop, boardwalk, park office and playground followed. While construction progressed, an inventory of native plants was conducted with more than 231 species being identified including some rare and unusual species for this area. Selected prairie burnings were initiated to stimulate native plant growth followed by plantings of prairie grasses and wildflowers. This work continues today and into the future, striving to increase the quality of the area to pre-settlement conditions. The native prairie restoration project is a vital project of the nature park, and by far contributes to most of the management efforts. Volunteers are encouraged to become educated in the prairie by reading our environmental education series brochures on prairies, and or talking with a nature park staff member.

Soon after formation of the Nature Park, Mr. Bill Schneider, Wildtype Nursery and Native Landscapes, was retained as a consultant to develop a plan that would inventory existing plants and restore the area, as practically possible, to pre-settlement conditions. In this role, Bill continues to be a positive force in the restoration of Nature Park flora.

One of the primary goals is to provide the Flushing community with environmental education including awareness, stewardship and leadership in the conservation of our natural resources. To help accomplish this, a full-time Park Manager was hired in 2001 and he is assisted by part-time staff, interns and volunteers.

# You are invited to join The Flushing Youth Council

## *Less Talk More Action*

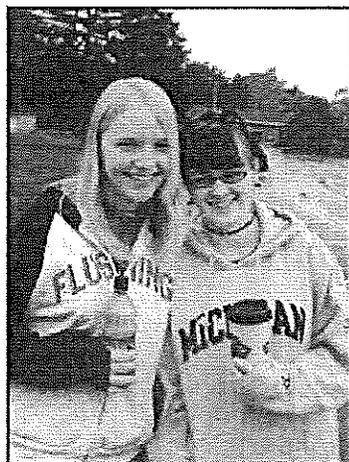


if you are a high school student who lives in the Flushing area, and who wants to make friends while performing community service and working along with city government, complete the application on the other side. Turn the completed and signed form in to Paige or McKenzie Shepard or bring it to the Flushing city offices on Main Street. We meet the second Wednesday of each month. Join us!



Top: Samantha and Celeste.

Above, left to right: YC sponsored a Relay for Life team;



Sarah and Sam arrive bright and early to help vendors set up the morning of the rummage sale; McKenzie and Paige install sponsor signs at the Rotary's Duckie Race; Mary samples the inventory at the concession stand at the rummage sale, Trash to Treasure.

### What have we been up to lately?

We organized *Trash to Treasure*, the second annual community garage sale at Riverview Park; and worked on a Habitat for Humanity house; and sponsored a team for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life; and made s'mores for the Rotary's booth at the Flushing Candle Walk; and attended the state youth council conference, the MRPA Symposium; and recorded Dr. Seuss books on tape for the Marion Crouse Instructional Center; and entertained children at the Halloween Pumpkin Path, hosted by Parks & Rec; and performed other community service with the Flushing Women's Club and other civic organizations.

**And we are making even more plans for the coming school year!**

The Flushing Youth Council, a commission of the City of Flushing, offers leadership opportunities to its members, service to the community, and a voice to area youth.

- Mission Statement

# Flushing Community Recreation Plan Meeting Agenda

Nov 7, 2014

1. Introductions
2. Review scope of work and schedule
3. Role of the committee
4. Describe function of the 5 Year Recreation Plan
5. Review changes / progress since last plan
6. Documentation needed from stakeholders
7. Review draft survey, notification, time period
8. Next steps



# Flushing Community Recreation Plan Meeting Agenda

Dec 12, 2014

1. Review Survey results
2. Review draft plan, goals, objectives
3. Documentation needed from stakeholders
4. 30 day public plan review, notification
5. Adoption (meeting schedule, Mirecgrant website)



# Flushing Community Recreation Plan Meeting Agenda

March 6, 2015

1. Review process to date (background for Brad)
2. Review comments from 30 day review
3. Rivertrail projects
4. Next steps:
  - Identify public hearing dates for city, twp, school.
  - Review Miregrant website.
  - ROWE to prepare final plan for recommendation of approval by committee.
  - Provide a pdf file for each representative to provide to their agency
  - Advertise public hearings in a single legal notice (provide affidavit to ROWE)
  - Complete resolutions of support by each agency
  - Provide signed resolutions and meeting minutes of public hearing and approval to ROWE
  - ROWE to upload for MDNR approval



**FLUSHING**

## Officials seek input on five-year rec plan

By Roberto Acosta  
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Officials from the city of Flushing, Flushing Township and Flushing schools are coming together to work on a five-year community recreation plan, and they are seeking community input.

The process includes identifying goals and objectives for improvements, and meeting state Department of Natural Resources requirements to allow each entity to seek grant funding. Included is an online survey.

The 10-question online survey asks residents about how important the parks are in terms of quality of life, quality and maintenance of the parks, and if they would support a multi-use community recreation center via a bond or millage.

A recreation plan committee set up to discuss the possibilities includes Flushing City Councilwoman Teresa Salem, Flushing Township Treasurer Maryton Lee, City of Flushing Parks and Recreation Committee members David Lewicki and Pam Root-Palinsky, and Flushing Community Schools board member Jack Wheatley.

Officials hope to have a plan in place by March 2015. ROWE Professional Services is helping the committee with the planning efforts.

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Ad Content Proof

The City of Flushing, Flushing Township and Flushing Community Schools is preparing a joint 5 Year Community Recreation Plan. A draft version of the plan is available for public review for a 30-day period during regular business hours between the dates of January 12, 2015 and February 20, 2015 at the following locations:

Flushing City Hall  
725 E. Main Street  
Flushing MI 48433  
(810) 659-5665

Flushing Township Office  
6524 N. Seymour Road, Flushing, Michigan 48433  
810-659-0800

Flushing Community Schools  
Administrative Offices  
522 N. McKinley Road  
Flushing, MI 48433  
(810) 591-1189

Comments on the plan can be provided at these locations on forms provided. The draft is also available on the city, township and school websites.

## Flushing Recreation Survey

**1. I am a resident of:**

- City of Flushing
  Flushing Township
  Other

**2. How important do you feel public parks and recreation facilities are to your quality of life?**

- Extremely important  
 Important  
 Neutral  
 Unimportant

**3. Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality and current maintenance of public park and recreation facilities in the Flushing community?**

- Extremely satisfied  
 Acceptable  
 Neutral  
 Unacceptable

Comment

**4. What priorities should Flushing give to the following recreational opportunities?**

	Low	Medium	High
Special events in Riverview Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Expansion of existing trail system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Upgrades to existing park facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Low <input type="radio"/>	Medium <input type="radio"/>	High <input type="radio"/>
Increased park programs in Flushing Township Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Development of a splash pad / water spray feature	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing access to the Flint River	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing areas for wildlife observation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adding support facilities for existing parks (restrooms, parking, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Providing more environmental education programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Development of a disk golf course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)

**5. Please rank your priority for use of funding**

	Priority 1 (highest)	Priority 2	Priority 3	Priority 4 (lowest)
Maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Develop new multi-use paths	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improve existing parks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Acquire property for new parks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**6. Would you support development of a multi-use community recreation center through a local millage or bond?**

- Yes  No  Maybe

**7. Would you use a designated / fenced dog park?**

- Yes  No

**8. How often do you use / attend park and recreation facilities or events in the community?**

- Less than 5 times each year  
 5-10 times each year  
 More than 10 times each year

**9. How do you hear about recreation programs and activities?**

- TV  Brochures  Website  Facebook  Newspaper  Word of mouth

**10. What are the age groups of those household member who participate in recreation activities?**

- 0-5 yrs  5-12 yrs  13-18 yrs  18-30 yrs  31-50 yrs  50+ yrs

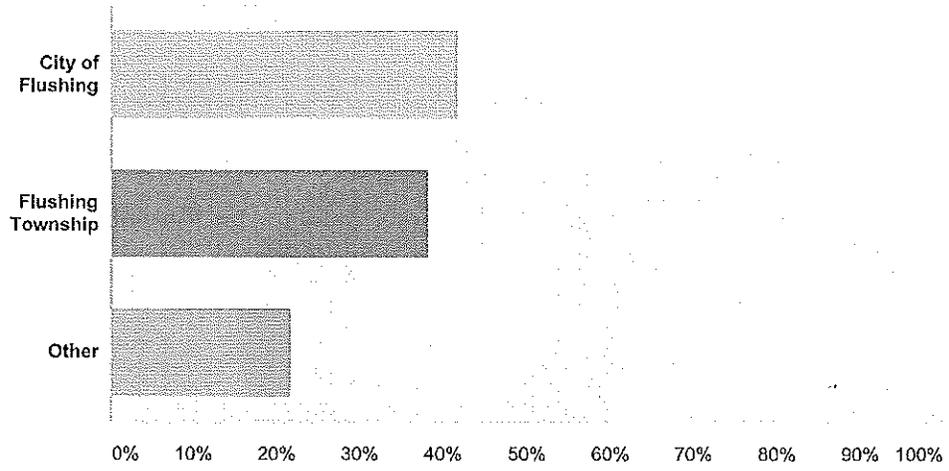
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# Flushing Recreation Survey

## Q1 I am a resident of:

Answered: 1,037 Skipped: 16

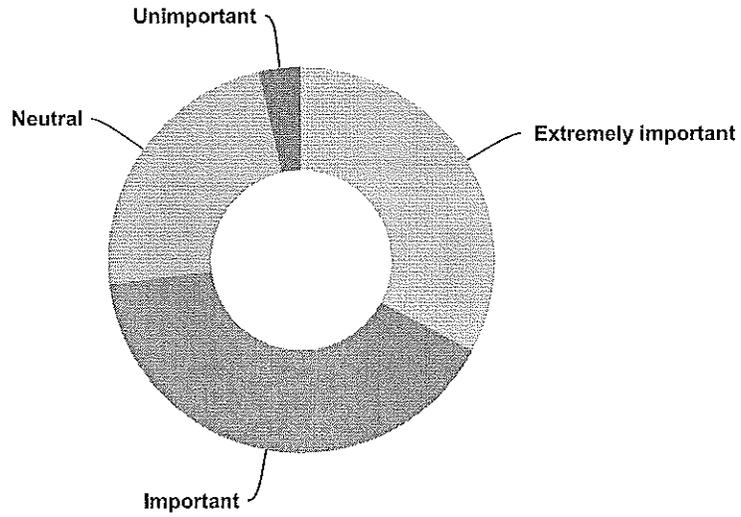


Answer Choices	Responses
City of Flushing	41.66% 432
Flushing Township	38.19% 396
Other	21.79% 226
<b>Total Respondents: 1,037</b>	

# Flushing Recreation Survey

## Q2 How important do you feel public parks and recreation facilities are to your quality of life?

Answered: 1,045 Skipped: 8

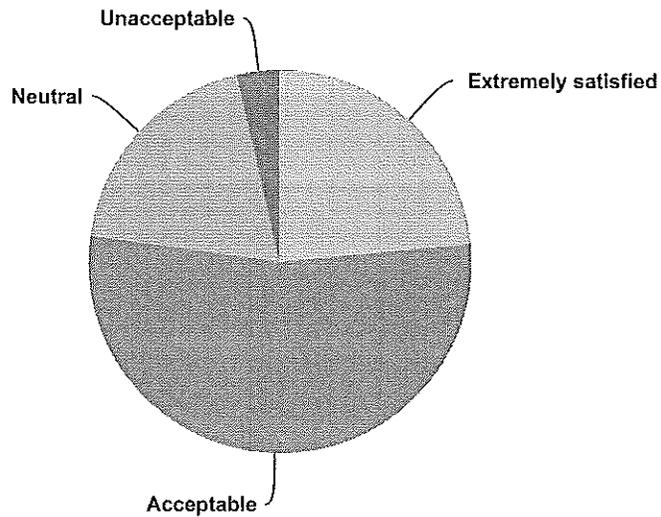


Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Extremely important	32.82%	343
Important	40.19%	420
Neutral	23.44%	245
Unimportant	3.54%	37
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,045</b>

# Flushing Recreation Survey

## Q3 Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality and current maintenance of public park and recreation facilities in the Flushing community?

Answered: 1,045 Skipped: 8

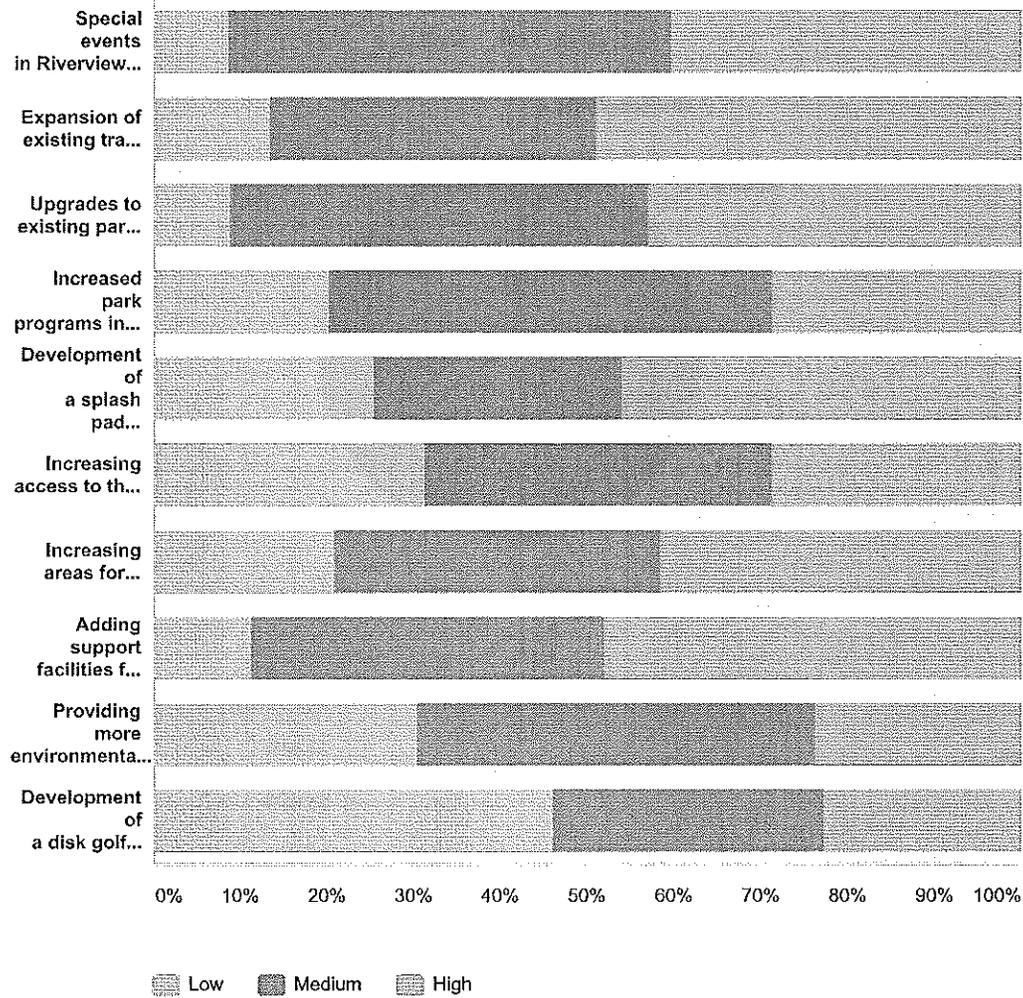


Answer Choices	Responses	
Extremely satisfied	23.54%	246
Acceptable	53.68%	561
Neutral	19.14%	200
Unacceptable	3.64%	38
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,045</b>

# Flushing Recreation Survey

## Q4 What priorities should Flushing give to the following recreational opportunities?

Answered: 1,050 Skipped: 3



	Low	Medium	High	Total
Special events in Riverview Park	8.55% 89	51.20% 533	40.25% 419	1,041
Expansion of existing trail system	13.38% 139	37.63% 391	48.99% 509	1,039
Upgrades to existing park facilities	8.90% 91	48.24% 493	42.86% 438	1,022
Increased park programs in Flushing Township Park	20.23% 210	51.06% 530	28.71% 298	1,038
Development of a splash pad / water spray feature	25.43% 264	28.61% 297	45.95% 477	1,038
Increasing access to the Flint River	31.32% 326	39.96% 416	28.72% 299	1,041

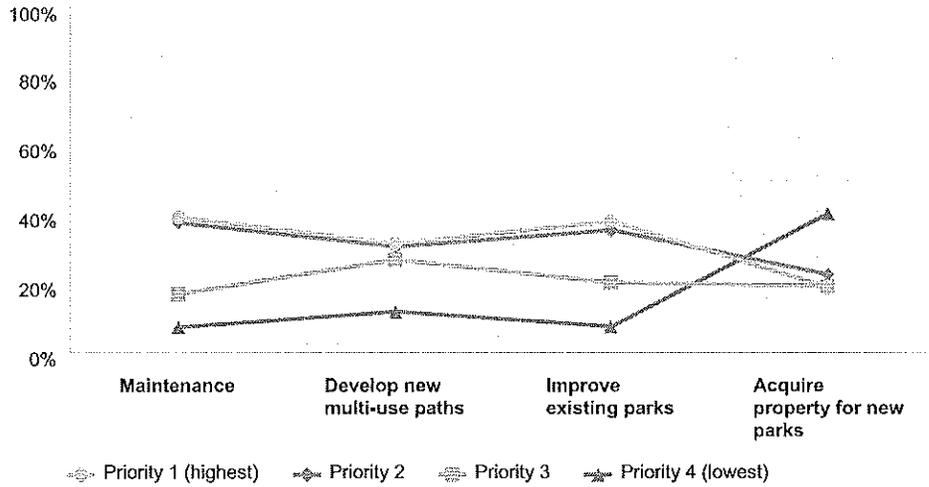
## Flushing Recreation Survey

Increasing areas for wildlife observation	20.77% 215	37.68% 390	41.55% 430	1,035
Adding support facilities for existing parks (restrooms, parking, etc)	11.23% 117	40.79% 425	47.98% 500	1,042
Providing more environmental education programs	30.50% 316	45.95% 476	23.55% 244	1,036
Development of a disk golf course	46.00% 477	31.34% 325	22.66% 235	1,037

# Flushing Recreation Survey

## Q5 Please rank your priority for use of funding

Answered: 1,030 Skipped: 23

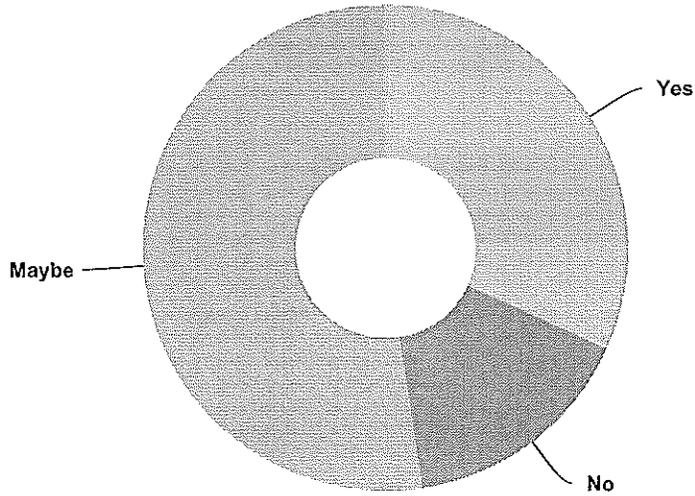


	Priority 1 (highest)	Priority 2	Priority 3	Priority 4 (lowest)	Total
Maintenance	38.88% 397	37.22% 380	16.75% 171	7.15% 73	1,021
Develop new multi-use paths	31.26% 317	30.37% 308	26.73% 271	11.64% 118	1,014
Improve existing parks	37.66% 383	35.10% 357	19.96% 203	7.28% 74	1,017
Acquire property for new parks	18.58% 189	22.32% 227	19.08% 194	40.02% 407	1,017

Flushing Recreation Survey

**Q6 Would you support development of a multi-use community recreation center through a local millage or bond?**

Answered: 1,029 Skipped: 24

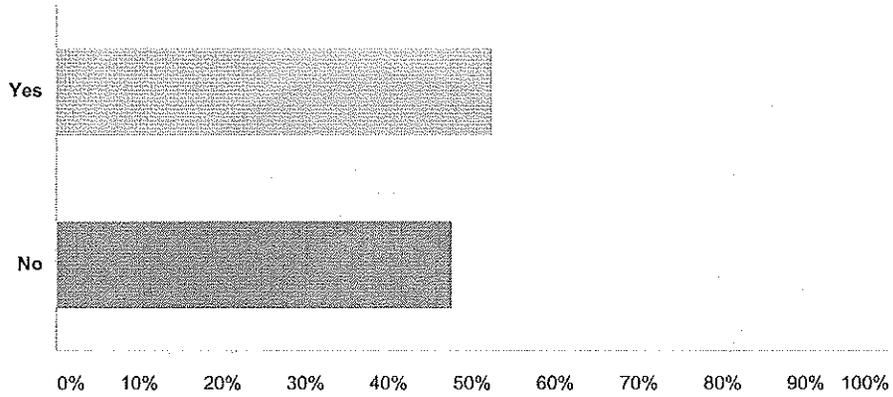


Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	31.78%	327
No	15.84%	163
Maybe	52.38%	539
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,029</b>

Flushing Recreation Survey

**Q7 Would you use a designated / fenced dog park?**

Answered: 1,036 Skipped: 17

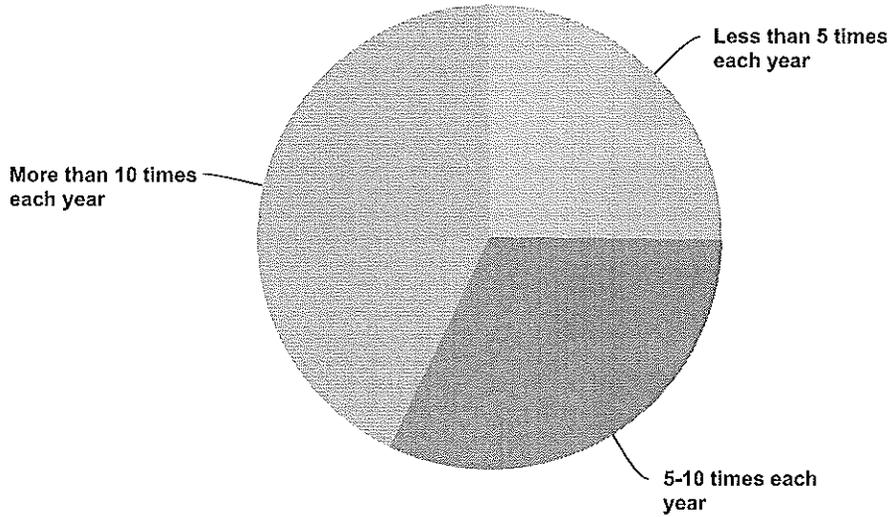


Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	52.32%	542
No	47.68%	494
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,036</b>

# Flushing Recreation Survey

## Q8 How often do you use / attend park and recreation facilities or events in the community?

Answered: 1,036 Skipped: 17

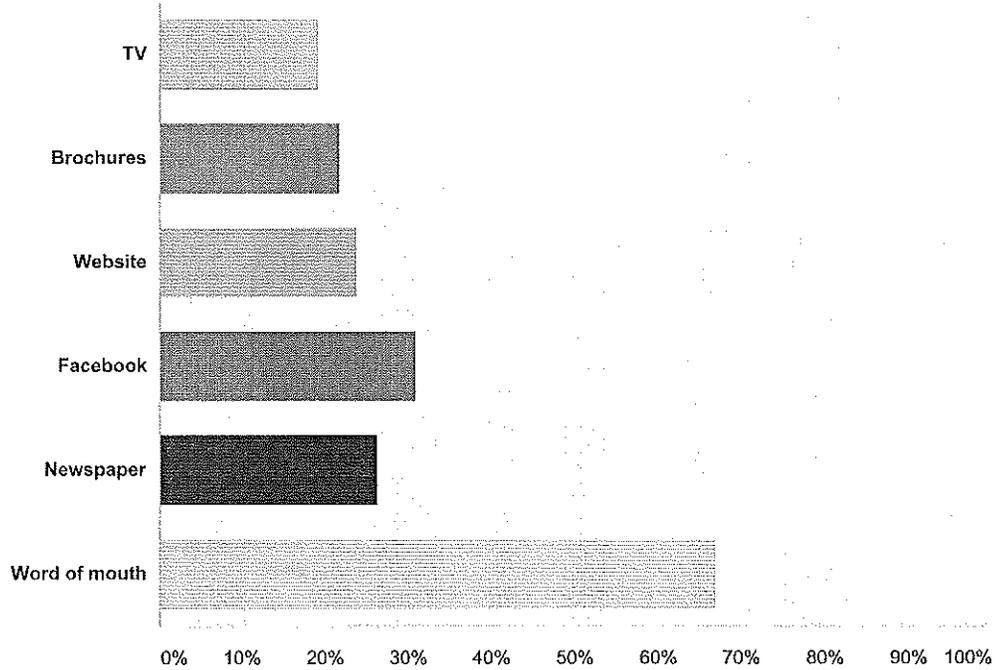


Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Less than 5 times each year	25.10%	260
5-10 times each year	32.05%	332
More than 10 times each year	42.86%	444
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,036</b>

# Flushing Recreation Survey

## Q9 How do you hear about recreation programs and activities?

Answered: 1,034 Skipped: 19

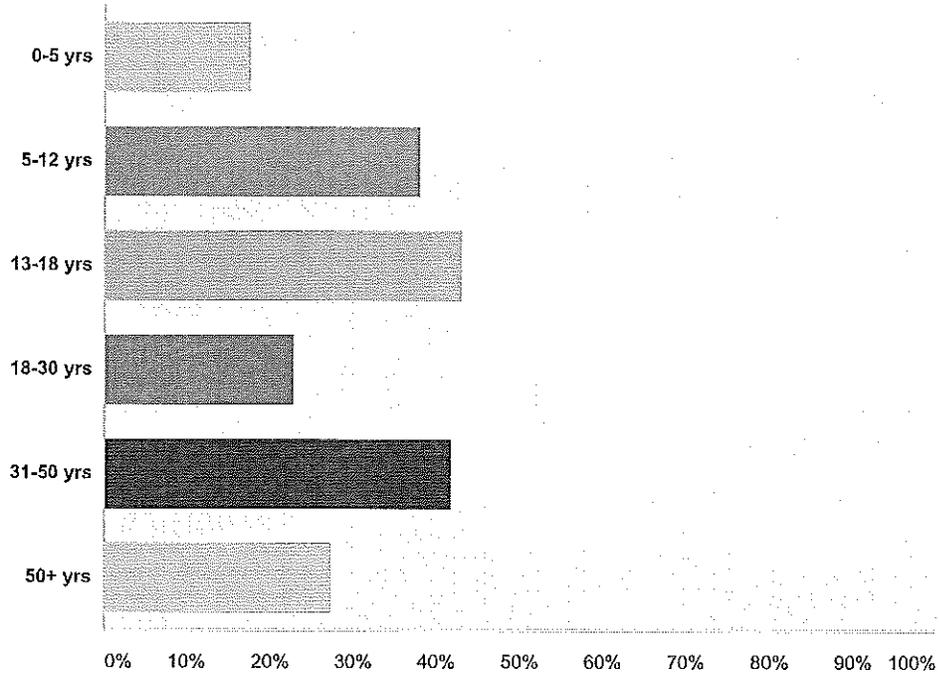


Answer Choices	Responses
TV	19.25% 199
Brochures	21.66% 224
Website	23.79% 246
Facebook	30.85% 319
Newspaper	26.21% 271
Word of mouth	67.02% 693
<b>Total Respondents: 1,034</b>	

Flushing Recreation Survey

**Q10 What are the age groups of those household member who participate in recreation activities?**

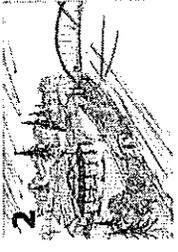
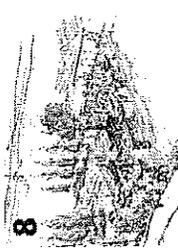
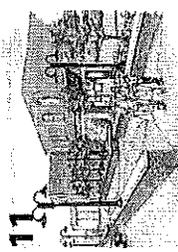
Answered: 1,035 Skipped: 18



Answer Choices	Responses	
0-5 yrs	17.58%	182
5-12 yrs	38.07%	394
13-18 yrs	43.09%	446
18-30 yrs	22.71%	235
31-50 yrs	41.84%	433
50+ yrs	27.34%	283
<b>Total Respondents: 1,035</b>		

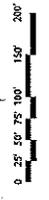
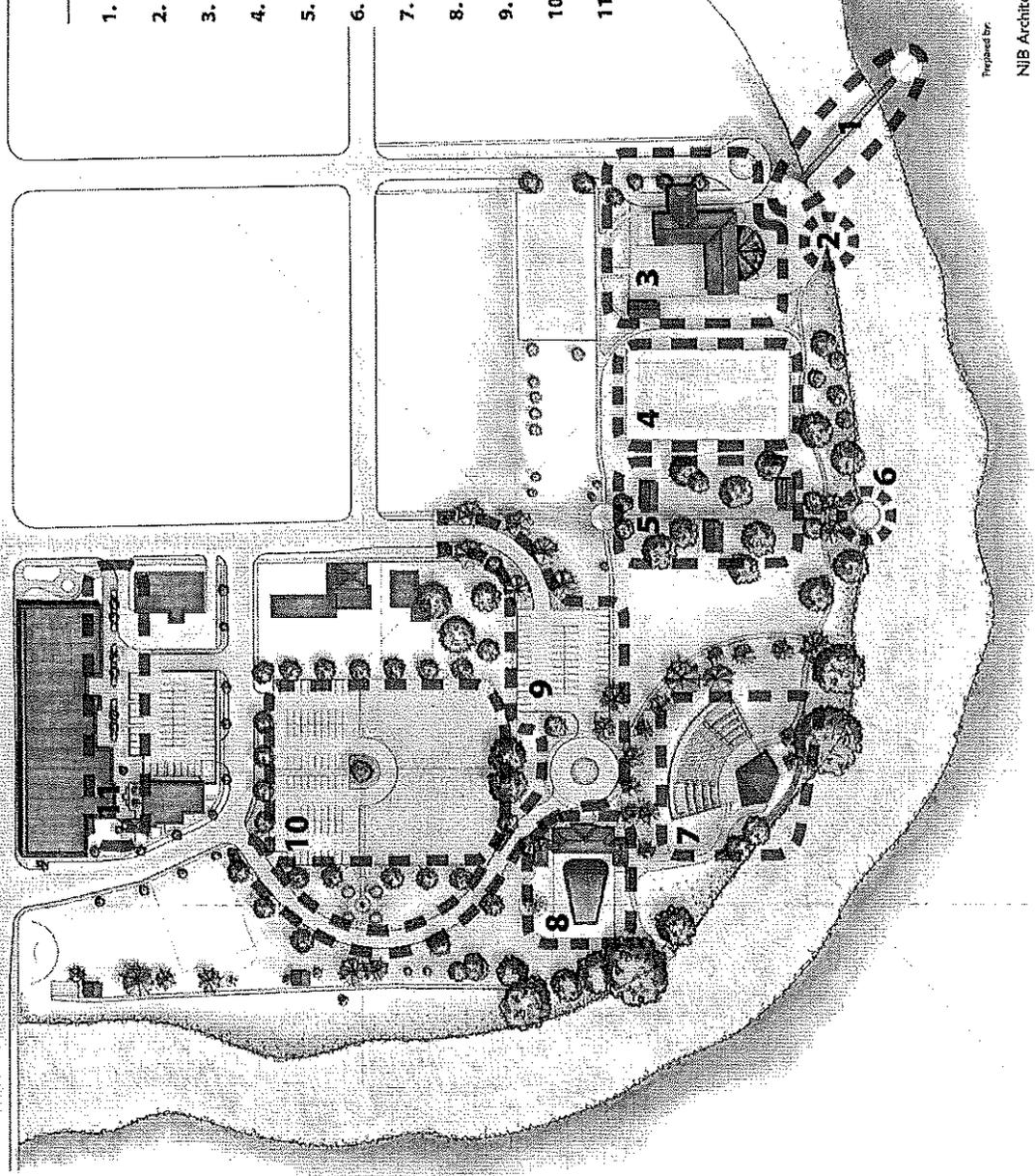
# Riverview Park Conceptual Master Plan

City of Elushing, Michigan



## Park Project Areas

1. Pedestrian Bridge
2. Canoe / Kayak Launch
3. DPW Redevelopment & Riverview Plaza
4. Sports Facilities Rehab & Expansion Pavilions
- 5.
6. River's Edge Access & Fishing Area
7. Amphitheatre Seating & Riverfront Trail
8. Tucker Pool & Facilities Renovation
9. Park Drive & Parking
10. Event Area & Parking Expansion
11. South Downtown Alley Streetscape



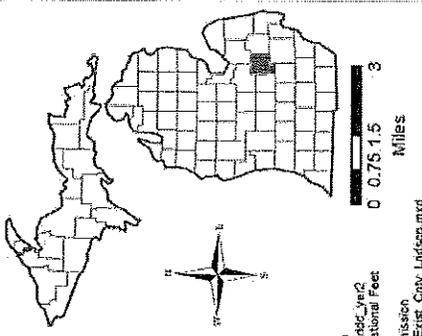
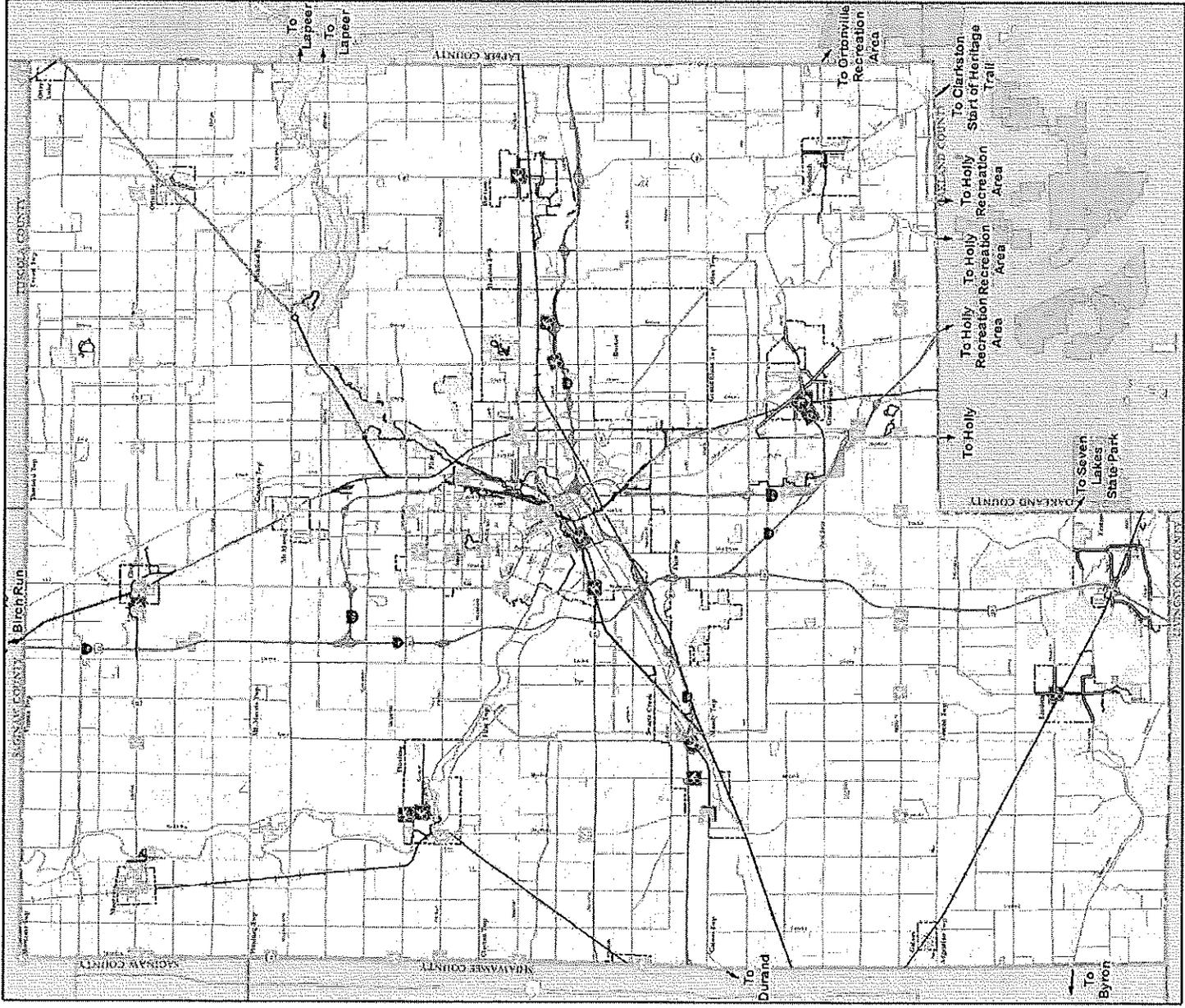
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# EXISTING & POTENTIAL TRAILS

## Genesee County, Michigan

- County Boundary
- Township Boundary
- Municipality
- Parks
- Highways
- Major Roads
- Local Roads
- Railroad
- Lake, River, or Stream
- Existing Trail
- Existing Trail with Sidewalks
- Existing Bike Lanes
- Existing Bike Lane with Sidewalk
- Potential Trails
- Potential Trails with Sidewalks Existing
- Potential Bike Lanes
- Abandoned Railroads
- Existing Green Infrastructure
- County
- City, Township, or Village
- Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)
- State
- Consumers Energy



Sources: Michigan Geographic Framework Version 5.0  
 Green Infrastructure - Greenlink capture, Laddis, Inc. 2  
 Projection: State Plane, Michigan South, NAD83, International Feet  
 Date: June 2014  
 Map by: Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission  
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# What is a Water Trail?

The National Water Trails System defines water trails as recreational routes on waterways with a network of public access points supported by broad-based community partnerships providing both conservation and recreational opportunities.

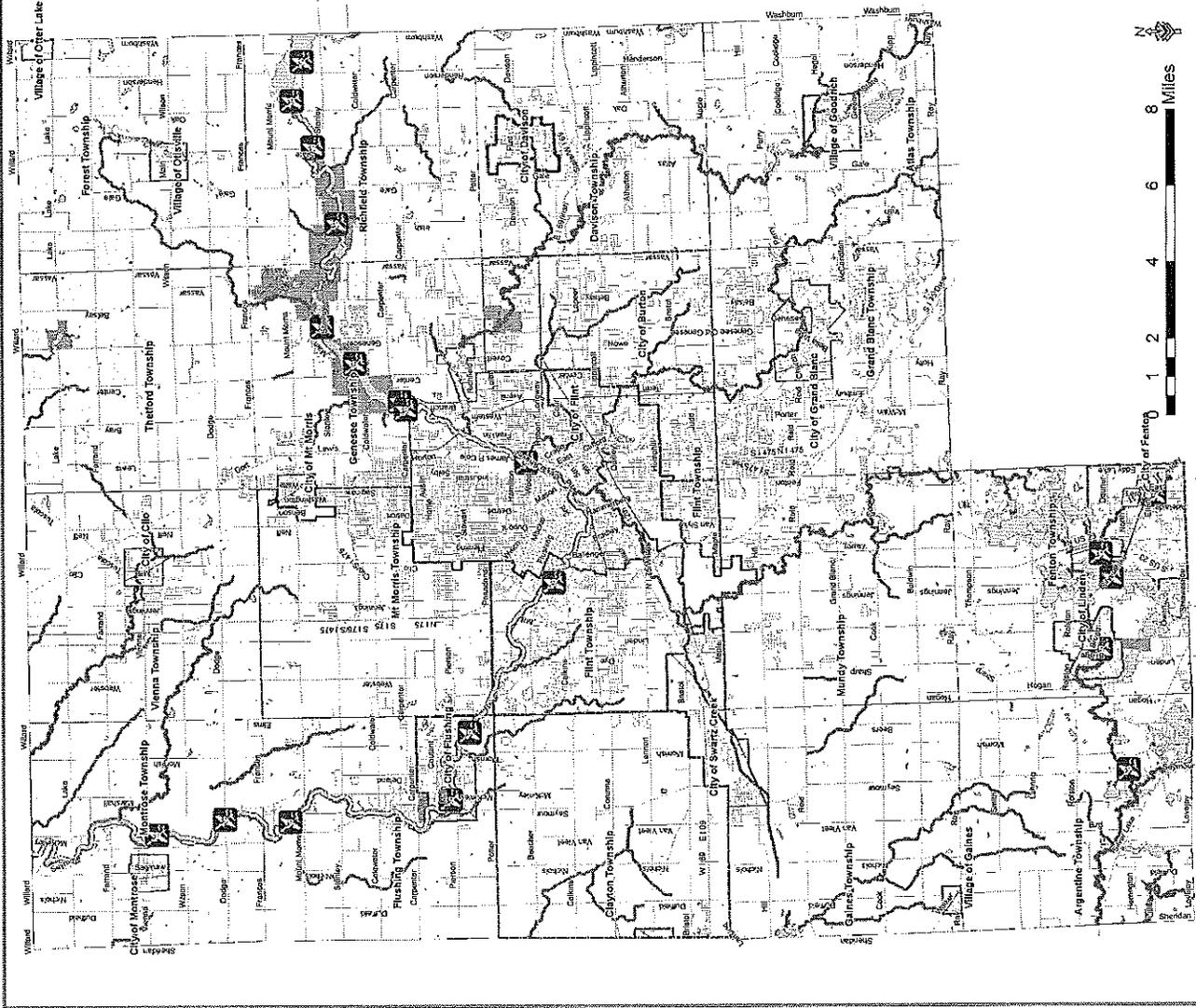
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River Access Sites

Water Sign Locations

Genesee County Parks

May 2014



# Genesee County Regional Non-Motorized Technical Report *Summary*

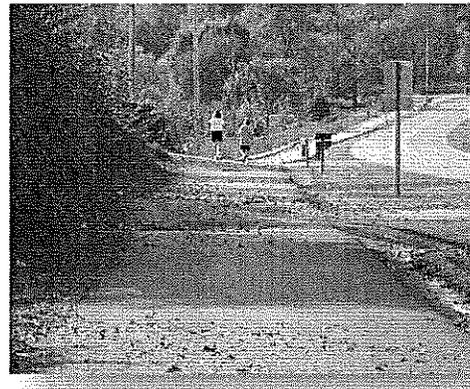


## Overview

The Genesee County Regional Non-Motorized Plan has been developed to provide a framework for creating an interconnected system of trailways throughout Genesee County.

The goals of this plan and initiative are: trail connectivity, alternative transportation, safety for all users, recreational opportunities, providing resources for implementation and education.

Trails provide many benefits to the community including an improved transportation system, health and safety, environmental preservation and economic vitality for the community. Trailways are an important component of creating a livable community and attracting a talented workforce to Genesee County.



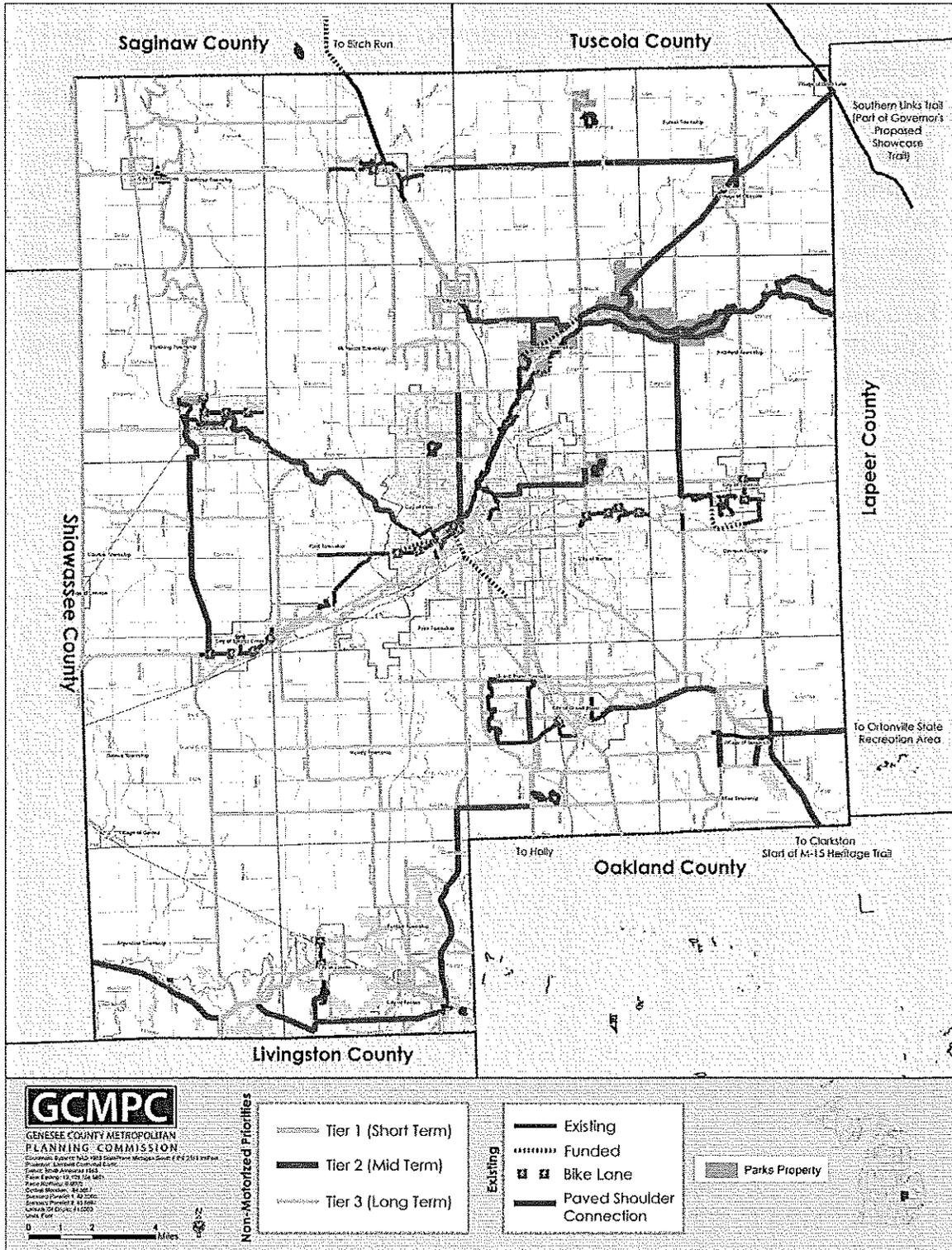
There are over 81 miles of non-motorized pathways in Genesee County, yet they are not interconnected. In this plan you will discover potential trail connections identified with help from local communities, trail advocates, transportation planners, educational institutions, and public input. Every area of the county has some potential trail connections outlined in this plan.

Design standards and guidelines for good trail development have been outlined. Funding and implementation strategies are also included.

A trail wayfinding system for Genesee County is incorporated into this plan with informational signage that provides distance, direction and destination information. The signage standards described herein bring uniformity to the trail network while also allowing for personalization for each trail and local community.

Resources for new trail development are included and contact information on new initiatives locally and statewide that can benefit Genesee County's non-motorized planning efforts.

The Genesee County Regional Non-Motorized Plan includes priority tiers for trail development and recommendations for next steps to continue the development of non-motorized pathways in Genesee County.



## **Implementation Strategy**

The Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission has been actively working with local trail groups to implement the trail plan by 1) working on preliminary design for the top five priority trails and seeking funding for those connections; 2) providing educational opportunities for the community in areas of trail development, green infrastructure planning, Complete Streets, and the Regional Trails and Greenway Summit; 3) meeting with local road agencies and municipalities to coordinate on trail development; 4) bringing the trail message to the local community at area events and providing trail maps and info; 5) development of a Complete Streets Policy for Genesee County that can become the guiding principles for improving transportation in Genesee County to encourage walking, bicycling and transit use that is safe and accessible for everyone.

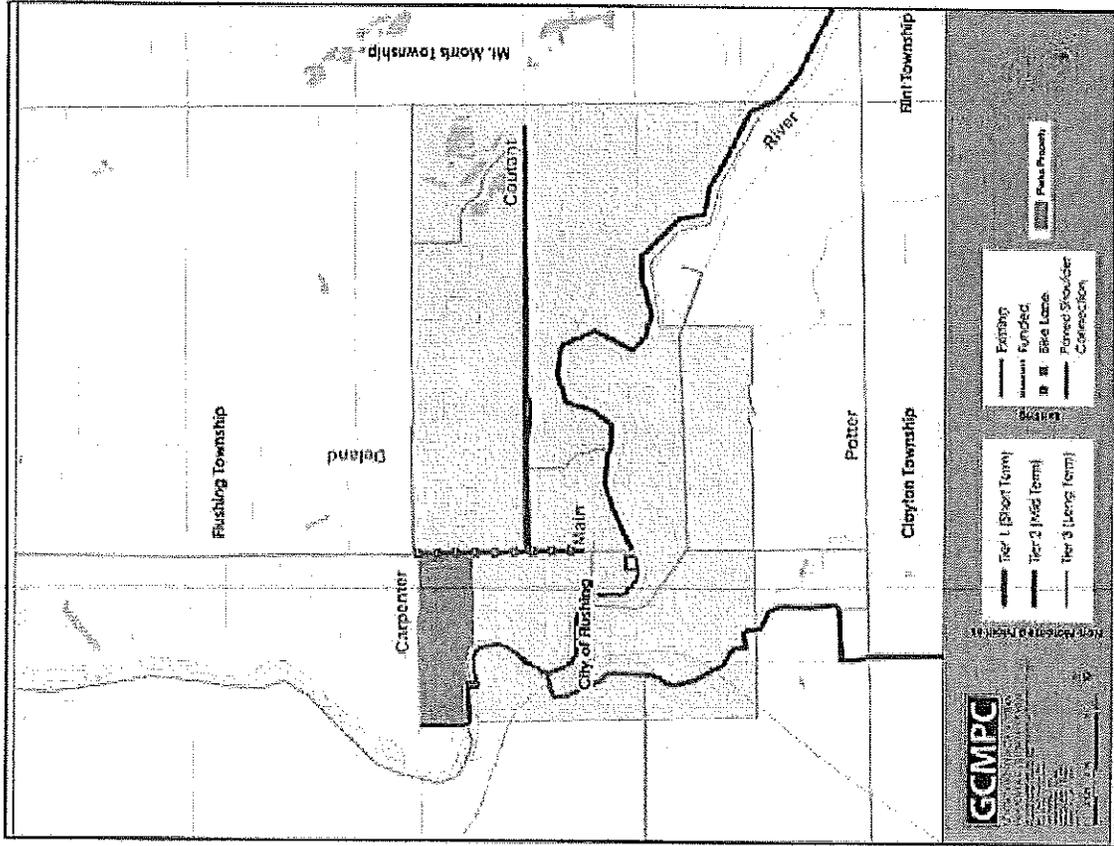
# Genesee County Priority Trail Segments

Preferred Corridors

## (Listed Alphabetically)

### Flushing Area – Seymour Road Pathway

A connection from the existing Flushing Riverview Trail system at the Cole Creek Bridge west to Seymour Road and south to Pierson Road has been identified as a Tier 1 priority. The project includes boring a pedestrian tunnel under the existing railroad tracks and a boardwalk at the at-grade crossing at Seymour road. This proposed pathway will provide safer access to the Flushing Riverview Trail and relieve long-term congestion.

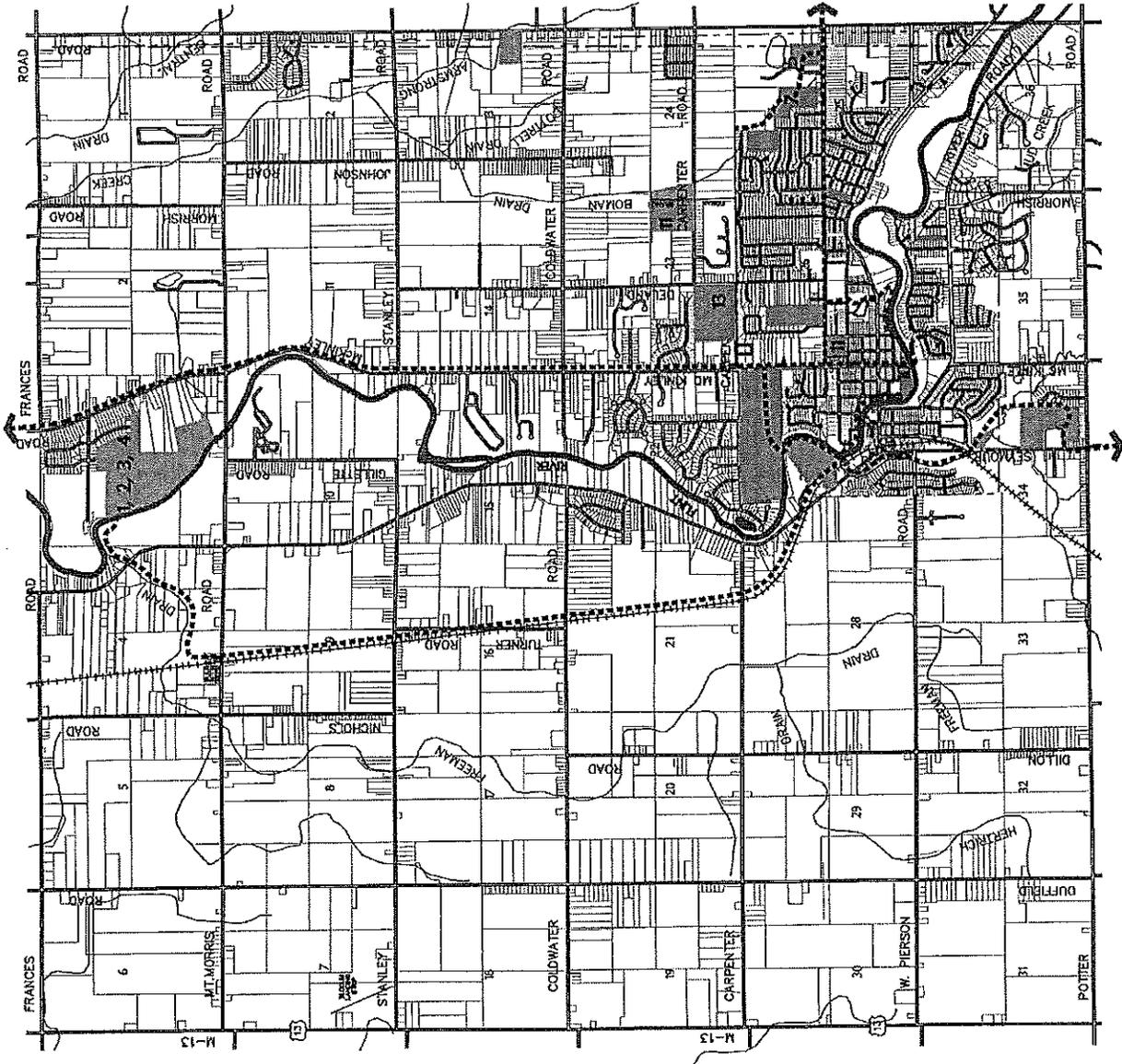




# FLUSHING AREA TRAILWAY ROUTES

GENERAL KEY

TRAILWAYS



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## ROUTE #4

### ADVANTAGES:

- REQUIRES NO LAND ACQUISITION
- PROVIDES BARRIER-FREE ACCESSIBILITY
- UTILIZES CITY PROPERTY ON THE SOUTH SIDE TO THE RIVER
- AESTHETIC SCENIC ROUTE ALONG THE RIVERFRONT

### DISADVANTAGES:

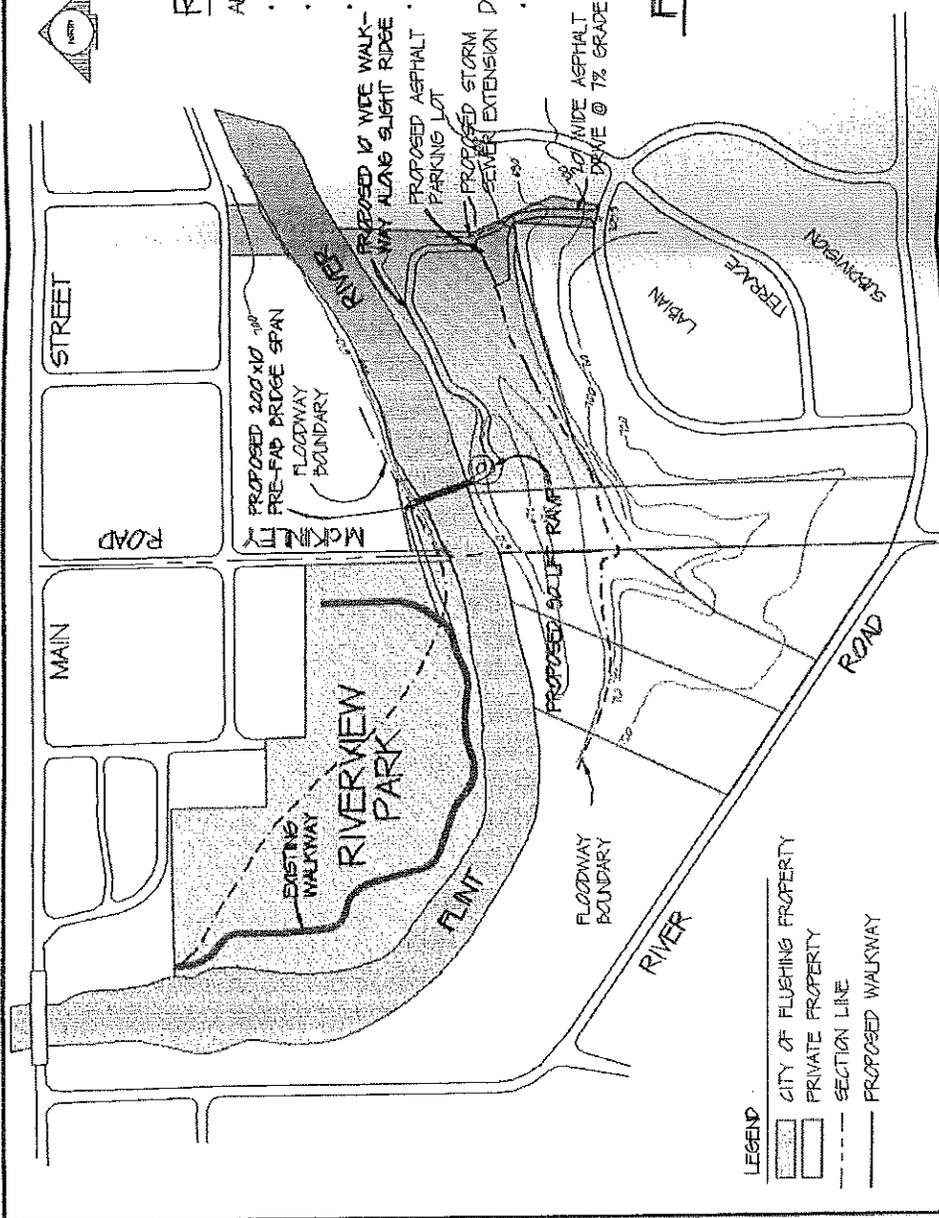
- DOES NOT CONNECT DIRECTLY TO RIVER RD. AT MCKINLEY RD.

## FOOTBRIDGE FEASIBILITY STUDY

CITY OF FLUSHING  
MARCH, 1995



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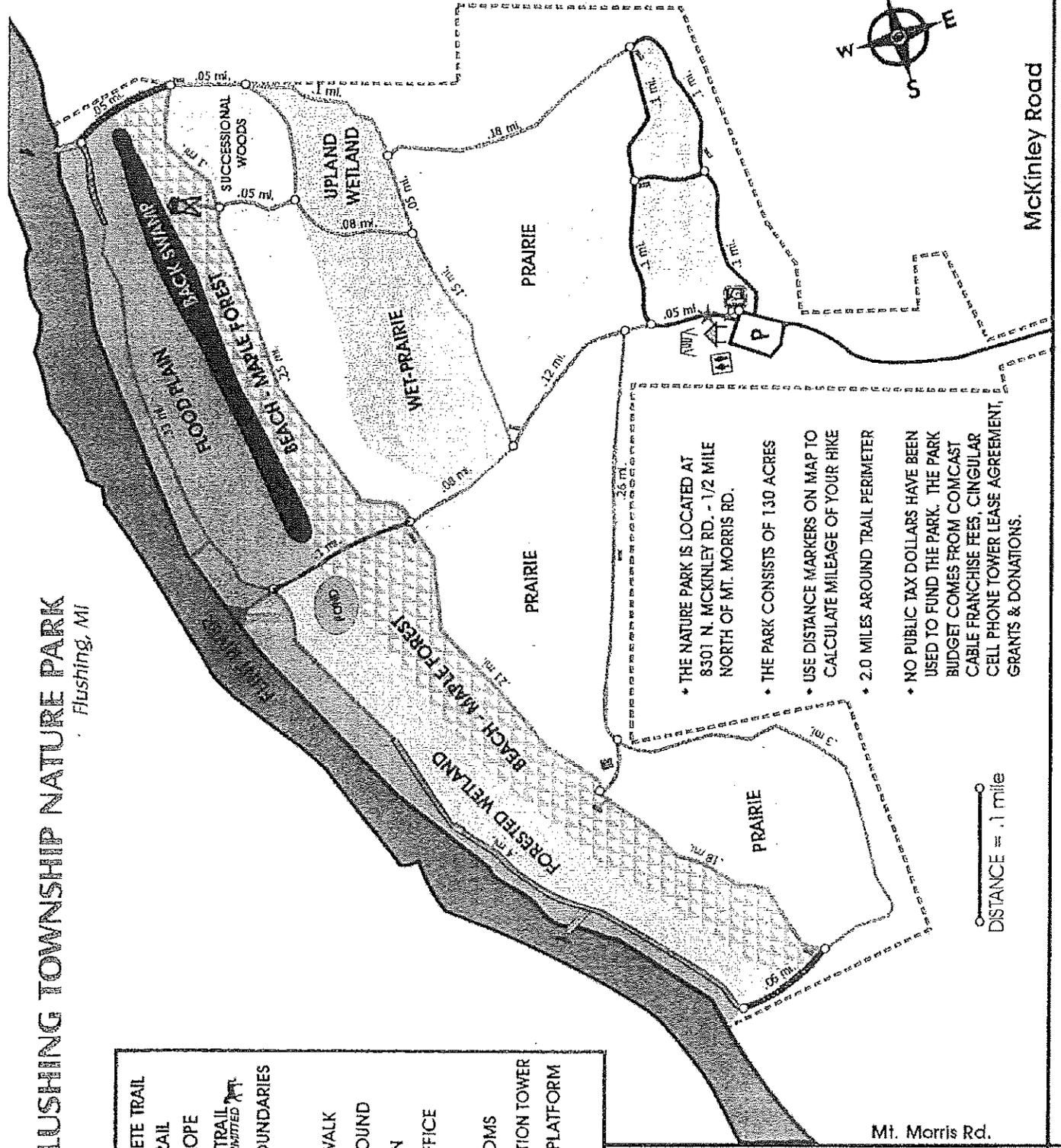




# FLUSHING TOWNSHIP NATURE PARK

Flushing, MI

	CONCRETE TRAIL
	RIVER TRAIL
	STEEP SLOPE
	PRAIRIE TRAIL HORSES PERMITTED
	PARK BOUNDARIES
	STAIRS
	BOARDWALK
	PLAYGROUND
	PAVILION
	PARK OFFICE
	KIOSK
	RESTROOMS
	OBSERVATION TOWER
	PRAIRIE PLATFORM
	BENCH



- THE NATURE PARK IS LOCATED AT 8301 N. MCKINLEY RD. - 1/2 MILE NORTH OF MT. MORRIS RD.
- THE PARK CONSISTS OF 130 ACRES
- USE DISTANCE MARKERS ON MAP TO CALCULATE MILEAGE OF YOUR HIKE
- 2.0 MILES AROUND TRAIL PERIMETER
- NO PUBLIC TAX DOLLARS HAVE BEEN USED TO FUND THE PARK. THE PARK BUDGET COMES FROM COMCAST CABLE FRANCHISE FEES, CINGULAR CELL PHONE TOWER LEASE AGREEMENT, GRANTS & DONATIONS.

Mt. Morris Rd.

McKinley Road



DISTANCE = .1 mile

**APPENDIX C**

**Approval Documentation**

STATE OF MICHIGAN )  
County of Genesee

ss *David Sutton*

Being duly sworn deposes and say he/she is Principal Clerk of



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March 19 A.D. 20 15

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2015

MARIETTA FOLEY  
Notary Public, State of Michigan  
County of Kent  
My Commission Expires: December 23, 2016

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
FLUSHING AREA  
RECREATION  
MASTER PLAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Public Hearings will be held to consider comments, both oral and written, regarding the Flushing Area Recreation Master Plan, a joint plan being prepared by the City of Flushing, Flushing Township and Flushing Community Schools. The Public Hearings will be held by all three (3) entities as follows:

- Flushing Township Offices, April 9, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Flushing Township Hall, 6824 N. Secor Road, Flushing, MI
- City of Flushing Offices, April 13, 2015 at 7:30 pm in Flushing City Hall, 725 E. Main Street, Flushing, MI
- Flushing Community Schools, April 21, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Elms Elementary School, 6125 N. Elms Road, Flushing MI

Comments, both oral and written, will be accepted from any person interested at the aforesaid time and place. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services, who plan to attend any meetings and/or hearings, or will require any city services, are asked to please contact the City Clerk in writing, or by calling (616) 659-2645 in advance of the anticipated need, to inform her of the type of disability you have and the type of assistance you will need.

Michelle M. King  
Flushing City Clerk

March 19, 2015

**CITY OF FLUSHING  
RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION**

**FLUSHING AREA RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City of Flushing, Flushing Township and Flushing Community Schools have cooperated with providing recreation opportunities for the Flushing Community; and

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WHEREAS, the Flushing Area Recreation Planning Committee has provided various opportunities for citizen comments; and

WHEREAS, the Flushing Area Recreation Planning Committee has directed the preparation of the Flushing Area Recreation Master Plan for 2015-2020 and recommends it for approval; and

WHEREAS, the Flushing City Council held a public hearing for the Flushing Area Recreation Master Plan to provide additional opportunity for citizen comments on April 13, 2015;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Flushing City Council does hereby adopt the Flushing Area Recreation Master Plan for 2015-2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Flushing City Council authorizes submittal of the Flushing Area Recreation Master Plan for 2015-2020 to the State of Michigan.

AYES: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent

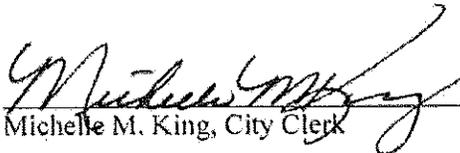
NAYS: None

Adopted: April 13, 2015



Kevin J. Keane, Mayor

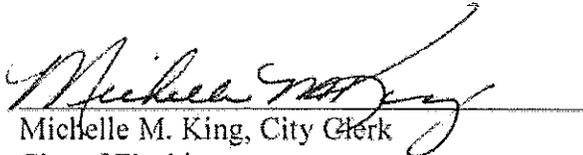
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Michelle M. King, City Clerk

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Flushing, County of Genesee, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted, and contained verbatim within those minutes, at a regularly scheduled meeting held on Monday, April 13, 2015, relevant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, the original of which is on file in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my official signature this 14th day of April 2015

  
Michelle M. King, City Clerk  
City of Flushing  
Genesee County, Michigan

**Flushing City Council  
Minutes  
April 13, 2015**

A Regular Meeting of the Flushing City Council was called to order on Monday, April 13, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Kevin Keane, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and invocation.

**Present:** Dick Bade  
Mark Brock  
Kevin J. Keane  
Teresa Salem  
Michael Szukhent

**Absent:** John Gault  
Karianne Martus

**Others Present:** Brad A. Barrett, City Manager  
Michelle M. King, City Clerk  
Matt McKone, City Attorney

**Excuse Absent Members** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Salem to excuse Councilmembers Martus and Gault from the April 13, 2015 City Council Meeting.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

**Approval of Agenda** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Bade to approve the April 13, 2015, agenda, as presented.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

**Mike Lynch, 6371 E. Farrand Road, Genesee County 7<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner** introduced himself and offered to answer any questions council members may have

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**Colleen Kuehnel, MERS of Michigan**, made a presentation on the MERS Health Funding Vehicle (RHFV) which is an option offered to municipalities for funding our OPEB liability through a Section 115 Trust. It allows us to set aside assets to fund post-employment health care costs with no minimum or regular deposit requirements, the city decides when it will make deposits and how much, and when and how it will use the funds, as long as the money is used toward health care costs for retirees. The fees are low

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and based upon the investments under management. The RHFV offers several standard portfolio options or the ability to “build your own”.

**Consent Agenda** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Salem to approve City Council minutes from the March 9, 2015 regular meeting and Council bills for April 13, 2015.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING: Parks and Recreation Master Plan**

Motion by Keane, second by Brock to open the public hearing at 7:47 p.m.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

Pam Root-Palinsky, Chair of the Flushing Park and Recreation Committee spoke regarding the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Teresa Salem, thanked Rowe Engineering and the community for their input.

The public hearing closed at 7:50 p.m.

**COMMUNICATIONS: None**

**REPORTS:**

**Resolution to Adopt Parks and Recreation Master Plan** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Bade to adopt Resolution 2015-04-09 as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Flushing, Flushing Township and Flushing Community Schools have cooperated with providing recreation opportunities for the Flushing Community; and

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Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Cruise Nights Request from the Flushing A** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Bade to accept and approve the Flushing Cruise Nights schedule provided they adhere to the Use of Facilities Policy as passed by City Council on September 8, 2014, where applicable, as determined by City Administration.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Consider Request for 5K Run Fundraiser from Flushing High School Wrestling Team** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Salem to approve the request of the Flushing High School wrestling team for a 5K run in the City of Flushing, May 30, 2015 beginning at 9:15 am, provided they adhere to the Use of Facilities Policy as passed by City Council on September 8, 2014, where applicable, as determined by City Administration.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Consider Chamber of Commerce 2015 Event and Festival Schedule** – Motion by Brock, second by Szukhent to accept and approve the request of the Chamber of Commerce to hold various events and festivals in the city, provided they adhere to the Use of Facilities Policy as passed by City Council on September 8, 2014, where applicable, as determined by City Administration.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent

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Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

**Set Public Hearing for 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget** - Motion by Bade, second by Salem to set a public hearing regarding proposed fiscal year 2015/2016 budget revenues and expenditures for Monday, May 11, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Set Public Hearing to Establish Water Rates for Fiscal Year 2015/2016** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Salem to schedule a public hearing to establish water rates for the 2015/2016 fiscal year for Monday, May 11, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Set Budget Workshop for Budget Overview, Water Sewer Rate Discussion and City's Fee Schedule** - Motion by Szukhent, second by Bade to schedule a budget workshop on Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the 2015/2016 FY budget, water/sewer rates and fee schedule.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Transportation Alternatives Program for FY 2016** – Motion by Bade, second by Szukhent to authorize a TAP application for phase 3 of the trail extension (Seymour Elementary School/soccer fields to Lynn/Aberdeen Court), and allocate \$66,000 of one time funding to the project from monies associated with the American Towers cellular tower contract renewal and delinquent subleasing payment.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Consider Resolution of Intent to create a Corridor Improvement Authority** – Motion by Szukhent, second by Salem to authorize city administration to draft a resolution of intent to create a Corridor Improvement Authority with a proposed district along Pierson Road, Elms to just west of Flushing Road, at its May 2015 meeting for consideration and approval.

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Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**BID AWARD/PURCHASE:**

**2-Year Assessing Contract with Landmark Appraisal Company** – Motion by Salem, second by Bade to approve a two year contract for assessing services with Landmark Appraisal, from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**Various Appointments** – Motion by Salem, second by Bade to appoint Lois Nickel (Salem) to the Election Commission for a term ending January 31, 2017.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

Motion by Keane, second by Bade to appoint Marie Zuk to the Flushing Senior Board as the Council Representative.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

Motion by Bade, second by Salem to postpone action on the Planning Commission appointments until Councilmember Gault is available to weigh in.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

Motion by Szukhent, second by Salem to direct staff to send a letter to Mt. Morris Township requesting consideration of a City appointment to the Mt. Morris Township Business Development Authority along Pierson Road, as owners of property within the Authority area.

Yea: Bade, Brock, Keane, Salem, Szukhent

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Nay: None  
Motion Carried

Mayor Keane adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

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Kevin J Keane, Mayor

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Michelle M King, City Clerk

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AYES: Trotogot, Weinrauch, Winkiel, Ausiello, Cantwil, Dolgan

NAYS:

Adopted: 6-0

*Nancy S. Trogot* Flushing Community Schools Board Secretary  
title

ATTESTED

*Elisa M. Cantwil* Flushing Community Schools Board President  
witness