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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
INTRODUCTION

The City of League City, located within the gulf coast region of Texas, grew from a small settlement along Clear Creek established in the mid-1800s to its current population of nearly 100,000 residents. The city has experienced significant growth over the last 20 years, doubling the number of residents, and is expected to reach nearly 150,000 residents within the next 20 years. City staff, with the support of City Council and the mayor, have taken an aggressive approach to planning for future growth through careful review, evaluation, and update of League City’s existing planning documents, regulations, and ordinances. Within the last 10 years, the city has updated their comprehensive plan and the subdivision and development ordinances and developed a trails master plan, a mobility master plan, and a branding and marketing action plan. In 2011, the city released an updated Comprehensive Plan that provided guidance for the next 25 years. The plan synthesized extensive public input to develop three guiding principles for League City.

3 GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR LEAGUE CITY

1. A City of Great Places
   - vibrant, walkable, enticing, variety of opportunities, attractive, distinct

2. Adequate and Efficient Use of Infrastructure, Services, and Public Facilities
   - meet demands, complete mobility system, connectivity, protection

3. Economically Sustainable Community
   - cohesive, marketable, expansion of business

These guiding principles embody the future vision for the League City community and influenced the development of the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan 2017. Many of League City’s existing “great places” are park facilities, including League Park, the Chester L. Davis Sportsplex, and the Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center. Continuing to develop signature park and recreation spaces in League City ensures the high quality of life residents enjoy today. This plan proposes future projects including land acquisition, facility development, and renovations to existing parks. Implementation strategies are explored to meet city goals to provide adequate park, trail, and open spaces to residents while expanding League City’s brand, recognizing budget constraints, and proposing creative shared-use facilities to increase opportunities.

"Let’s not only be the fastest growing city, but the greenest and healthiest city too!"
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IMPORTANT OF PARKS
Parks, trails, and open space are an essential element for sustaining a city of "great places." They serve a multitude of roles from the obvious - providing recreation (both active and passive) space to lesser-known values, such as the environmental and economic benefits parks can provide. Parks and greenspace add to the aesthetic value of a place, providing a green infrastructure within an urban or suburban environment. Numerous studies have attempted to quantify the value, in monetary terms that the development of park spaces can provide to a community. In 2012, the Houston Parks Board commissioned a similar study by Dr. John Crompton of Texas A&M University. His study suggested that the City of Houston should expect a 25% return annually on their investment to develop over 200 miles of trails for the Bayou Greenway Initiative. Once complete, the project would pay for itself in four years. The added value he explored included health benefits, ecological capital, and economic growth, all directly related to developing 4,800 acres of park land along Houston’s major bayous.

LEAGUE CITY SUCCESS
Although challenged with rapid population growth, the City of League City has continued to prioritize the development of parks, trails and open spaces. The 2006 Parks and Open Space Master Plan recommended the development of 1,050 park acres by the year 2025. It also identified a need for additional sports fields and swimming pools as well as a system of trails and access to natural areas. The following projects have been developed since 2006.

HOMETOWN HEROES PARK
• 28.71 Acres
• Recreation Center
• Basketball
• Volleyball
• Competition Size Pool
• Sports Fields
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DR. NED & FAY DUDNEY CLEAR CREEK NATURE CENTER
• 148 Acres
• Natural Areas
• Bird Blinds
• Trails
• Pavilion
• Restrooms

GHIRARDI FAMILY WATER SMART PARK
• 3.75 Acres
• Water Conservation Education
• Outdoor Classroom
• Greenroof
• Pavilion
• Playground
• Restrooms

HERITAGE PARK
• 10.4 Acres
• Adjacent to Butler Longhorn Museum
• Historic Buildings
• Playground
• Trails
• Kayak Launch

The 2010 Trails Master Plan identified 212 miles of a comprehensive trails system to connect key destinations, including residential areas, schools, and parks. Since 2010, the city has developed an additional 23 miles of trails, including a 6.5 mile paddle trail with kayak launches at Lynn Gripon Park at Countryside, Walter Hall and Heritage Parks. Developed trail segments include Rustic Oaks, the Downtown Connector, and the Sports Park Connector.
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EXISTING PARKS, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE

League City currently owns and maintains 857.62 acres of park land including active and passive recreation, natural areas, and greenways. Approximately 70% of park land is developed into accessible, usable space, while 254.23 acres remain undeveloped. An additional 440 acres of public park land is provided by Harris and Galveston Counties along with a substantial amount of park space provided by semi-private and private entities, primarily home owner associations. Park types vary from smaller neighborhood parks to large regional parks.

Frequently visited parks include League Park, the Chester L. Davis Sportsplex, Hometown Heroes, and county-owned Walter Hall park. League City offers a variety of park amenities including picnic facilities, sports fields, a skate park, boat ramp, 2 pools, 3 kayak launches, a sports complex, and access to natural areas and wildlife habitat.

Existing Park Space

- Neighborhood: 10%
- Greenways: 27%
- Community: 26%
- Special Use: 7%
- Regional: 30%

Over 23 miles of hike and bike trails have been established throughout League City, an initiative spurred by the development of League City’s Trails Master Plan in 2010. Trail widths vary from 4’ to 10’ wide depending on location and level of use.
EVALUATING FUTURE NEEDS

In order to assess the parks, trails, and open space needs for League City over the next 20 years, a multi-level approach was taken. Existing facilities and park acreage were compared to national, regional, and local standards using level-of-service which compares the quantity of parks per population. During development of the previous parks master plan in 2006, League City established a goal to provide 10 acres of park space per 1,000 residents. This quantity was updated to 15 acres per 1,000 residents to include a goal for regional parks. Currently, there are 14.9 acres of park space per 1,000 residents within League City which includes county-owned parks, as well as semi-private and private park facilities which were calculated at only 25% of their total acreage. If no additional park land is acquired over the next 20 years, the rapidly increasing population will greatly affect level-of-service, creating an overall deficit of 669.76 park acres and lowering level-of-service to only 10.3 acres of park space per 1,000 residents with a significant (over 400 acres) deficit in community type park acreage.

Level-of-Service per 1,000 residents

GOAL

15 ACRES

CURRENT

14.9 ACRES

PROJECTED

10.3 ACRES

“I LOVE the trails in my portion of the city. They are in constant use and a fabulous addition to our City!”

- Public Survey Respondent
The 2006 Parks Master Plan also encouraged accessibility of parks, proposing that all residents be located no farther than one-half mile from greenspace. Park and greenspace owned and maintained by League City are distributed throughout the city, with numerous gaps, but by including both private and semi-private facilities these gaps are significantly reduced. The southwest area of the city remains undeveloped and, therefore, contains no park or trails. Although residents may be located near enough existing park facilities to walk or ride their bike, the trails system is incomplete, highlighting the need for additional trails, repairs, and improvements to existing walks and trails, as well as cross-walks and wayfinding signage.

Over 2,000 respondents participated in a city-wide survey assessing public usage and vision for parks and trails facilities within League City. Major themes included a desire for upgrades to existing facilities, including picnic areas and the skate park, additional sports fields and aquatic facilities, the addition of splash pads, and extending trail systems. Priority projects were identified as large passive parks, off-street paths, as well as wildlife and historic preservation.

**Priority Projects**

1. Off-Street Paths
2. Habitat Preservation
3. Large Passive Parks
4. Preservation of Historic Sites
5. Small Neighborhood Parks
6. Open Space Acquisition
7. Renovation of Existing Parks
8. Youth/Teen Center
9. Expand Recreation Programs
10. Leisure Aquatics

"All residents will be located no farther than 1/2 a mile from greenspace."
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RECOMMENDATIONS
Considering the city’s existing parks, trails, and open spaces while assessing future level-of-service, access to park space, and public desires for future park space, the following targets have been established for park, trail, and open space development over the next 20 years. These goals embrace League City’s desire to be a city of “Great Places” by preserving existing natural areas, adequately providing park space for its residents, exploring creative partnerships to enhance the city’s park system, and providing exceptional recreational facilities for city residents.

TARGET No. 1
PRESERVE AND ENHANCE NATURAL AREAS

• Maintain environmentally-sensitive areas in natural state through land acquisition and by limiting mitigation
• Increase access and low-impact use of natural areas
• Explore opportunities to create natural areas, including wetlands, prairies, and rain gardens in lieu of traditional development
• Consider more aggressive methods to preservation, including land trusts and conservation easements
• Preserve/protect existing tree coverage, especially of heritage trees including Butler Oaks
• Pursue partnerships with landowners to expand access to Clear Creek and Clear Lake, including expansion of the paddle trail
• Prioritize low-impact development of Kilgore and Myrtle Parks to provide public access
• Develop trail corridors along drainage corridors with viewsheds to unique natural areas

TARGET No. 2
DEVELOP “GREAT PLACES”

• Prioritize park development that is unique, dynamic, and memorable and aligns with “League City Style”
• Integrate elements of League City’s history and culture into park spaces
• Increase land acquisition efforts for park space, especially in under-served areas
• Concentrate on the development of larger, flexible, multi-use park space suitable for accommodating growing population for city-wide events, markets, and festivals
• Continue to explore host opportunities for national/regional tournaments and events
• Incorporate distinctive landmarks including unique architecture, art, and water features into public spaces
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TARGET No. 3
INCREASE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

• Provide a balanced system of active and passive recreation that is evenly distributed throughout the city
• Explore joint-use partnerships for recreational facilities, including county, schools, private landowners, etc.
• Prioritize development of large acreage, community-type parks, including sports fields and aquatic facilities
• Develop sports complex on west side of city with access to major thoroughfare
• Expand programming opportunities by developing additional community center on west side of city.

TARGET No. 4
IMPROVE CONNECTIVITY

• Explore expansion of paddle trail and develop trail network along connecting drainage infrastructure
• Improve pedestrian safety by installing crosswalks and signalization
• Construct wide multi-user trails that connect major destinations, including parks, civic buildings, retail, schools, and residential areas
• Ensure linkages between new and existing development by completing trail gaps on undeveloped parcels
• Develop wayfinding signage and incorporate throughout the city
• Utilize public/private utility easements and drainageways as off-road trail corridors
• Develop signature trail corridors by incorporating signage, artwork, and educational elements

The targets above provide the framework for increasing availability to park space through land acquisition and creative partnerships over the next 20 years. Developing additional park, trail, and open space facilities as well as ensuring pedestrian access through the expansion of the city’s trail network will continue to provide a well-balanced park, trail, and open space system for League City. Major strategies for reaching these goals include land acquisition and creative multi-use partnerships, development of new facilities, renovation of existing facilities, and expansion of trail systems.
ACQUISITION:
An estimated 669.76 acres of park land would need to be acquired and developed by 2036 in order to meet the proposed League City park acreage level-of-service goal of 15 acres per 1,000 residents. Significant financial resources need to be allocated for land acquisition, or land banking, as current land costs are averaging $60,000 an acre. Creative partnerships with private land owners, utility companies, school districts, or other entities may provide opportunities for shared-use or multi-use facilities which could offset current park needs.

NEW FACILITIES:
Public input gathered during plan development indicated the desire for new types of park facilities, including an aquatics center with both leisure aquatics and a competitive swimming pool, a dog park, interactive splash pads, an updated skate park facility, additional sports fields for practice and game playing, and more park development of the east side of League City. These facilities could be incorporated into existing or new parks and green space.

RENOVATION AND REDEVELOPMENT:
Many of League City’s existing park facilities need renovation and updating. For each existing park, a list of recommendations were developed that range from simple additions of shade structures in playgrounds to adding new facility types.

ACCESSIBILITY:
Large, passive parks and off-street trails were the top requested amenities from the public survey. Expanding League City’s existing trails to include off-road connections to park spaces as well as developing more major trails along road right-of-ways could be phased as funding allows. Major trail destinations include parks, schools, and residential areas.
IMPLEMENTATION
This plan provides for an extensive list of recommendations to improve League City’s parks, trails, and open space system. Proposed projects should be phased over the next 20 years, and therefore, projects were divided into immediate, future, and long-term needs.

IMMEDIATE NEEDS (2018-2022)
• Complete the dog park
• Renovate existing city boat ramp
• Extend trail system in the Claremont area
• Renovations to League Park and surrounding Historic District
• Install a 5K loop trail in Hometown Heroes Park
• Upgrades and new facilities within the City’s eastern side (Zone D)
  • Develop the Dick Benoit Prairie Preserve
  • Renovations to Bayridge Park
  • Extend the Clear Creek Paddle Trail
  • Develop the Coastal Prairie Signature Trail
• Development of Westover Park as a community-type park
• Consider the acquisition of additional park acreage in Zone A on the southwest side of the city to accommodate future development

FUTURE NEEDS (2023-2028)
• Renovate the existing city pool to become a family-friendly, leisure-type aquatics facility
• Consider incorporating splash pads into centrally located parks, such as Hometown Heroes
• Upgrade lighting at the Chester L. Davis Sportsplex
• Continue to develop trails with a priority on primary trails along major thoroughfares and extend any secondary trails.
• Develop new parks including Myrtle Park, a new sports complex on the west side of the city, and incorporate a festival site for major events
• Acquisition of 300 acres to meet level-of-service goals based upon population projections

Projected Costs

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• Continue to update existing park facilities
• Develop acquired park acreage, including Kilgore Tract and Bay Colony West
• Consider developing an additional community-type park and two neighborhood parks within the southwest area of the city
• Begin development of the Texas Traditions Trail along with 50 additional miles of trails throughout the city
• Acquire 200 acres of land within planning zones A, B, C

The total projected cost for proposed projects within the plan exceed $224 million. Multiple funding options will need to be explored including existing city general funds, user fees at park facilities, a future bond referendum, 4B tax revenues, and park dedication fees, as well as alternative sources such as federal or state grant programs, special districts, volunteer efforts, and creative partnerships between landowners and the city.

$224 Million in Proposed Projects

Projected $56 Million Annual Benefit

INVESTMENT VALUE

The total estimated cost for acquiring and developing the recommended projects outlined within this plan is a considerable goal. Through careful planning, creative partnerships, and a persistent spirit, the city, along with its stakeholders and partners, can successfully develop the recommended projects, providing the residents of League City with ample park and open space. Through careful analysis of three key benefits, Dr. Crompton’s 2011 study, “Bayou Greenways - A key to a healthy Houston,” concluded that the City of Houston should expect to receive a 25% annual return on their initial investment. Applying this same calculation to the investment outlined within this plan, League City could expect a $56 million dollar return on investment each year, including improvement to health and reduction of medical costs, improvement of air quality, and reduction of traffic congestion, as well as a significant increase in property values and economic development.
POLICY REVIEW
Current city ordinances were reviewed and changes were recommended in order to facilitate the implementation of the plan.

- Include a dollar requirement, per lot or unit, for development of private park space to ensure that it is valuable, usable space
- Provide methods for private park space to be assessed at master- or general-plan level to allow for larger acreage parks
- Exempt developments of less than five lots from providing public park space
- Review the current approval method for park land or fee
- Consider increasing the public park fee to provide additional funds for future developments
- Define eligible trail projects for park credits more clearly
- Revise the minimum sidewalk standard to 6’ wide

PLAN SUCCESS
This plan provides a framework from which the City of League City can plan and budget for park, trail and open space projects over the next 20 years. At a minimum, the plan should be reviewed every five years to re-assess priorities, discuss challenges, and celebrate completed projects and victories. Key factors for the success of this plan include stakeholder involvement, open communication and resident awareness. Major focus areas the city should consider include:

« Consider a parks bond referendum in the near future
« Begin to acquire parcels of land for future park development
« Explore partnerships with other land owners for multi-use opportunities
« Develop a strategy to seek and apply for grant opportunities
« Focus on the development of larger, community-type parks that provide a variety of both active and passive uses
2 Introduction
THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY

Known as the city of “Shady Oaks and Friendly Folks,” League City is rich in history. Early settlers first began to subdivide land along Clear Creek in the mid-1800s. Miguel Muldoon settled into the area in 1831 but sold his acreage to J.C. League who laid out the town site on the Galveston, Houston, and Henderson Railroad. The city’s name changed several times from “Clear Creek” to “The New League City;” Ultimately, League City was chosen. The population of League City has grown from 500 in 1914 to nearly 100,000 in 2016.

REGIONAL CONTEXT

League City is located halfway between the cities of Houston and Galveston and encompasses 53-square miles within the coastal plains of southeast Texas. The majority of the city is located within Galveston County, while a small northern portion near Clear Creek is within Harris County. Adjacent communities include Dickinson, Webster, Nassau Bay, Friendswood, Clear Lake Shores, Kemah, and Bacliff.

League City’s central location and major thoroughfares, including Interstate 45, provide favorable access to surrounding communities. Therefore, League City is considered a “bedroom community” for people working in Houston and Galveston. In recent years, the city has seen a surge in retail and commercial development. The proposed Grand Parkway (State Highway 99) through the southern portion of League City is anticipated to encourage further growth.
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COMMUNITY CHARACTER
League City has quickly grown from a small farming community into a primarily residential area, recently attracting more commercial and retail centers, especially along the I-45 corridor. The population has doubled since 2000, and this quick growth has not been without challenges. Four planning zones were established in the 1995 Parks Master Plan and utilized for the 2006 Master Plan update. These zones are used to compare input from the public survey and to assist with determining the appropriate location for proposed future amenities and park locations.

ZONE A is located within the southwest portion of the city. Its northern boundary is primarily comprised of the American Canal, and the eastern boundary is Calder Road. Both the west and southern boundaries extend to the city limits. This area is largely agricultural except for some residential developments along Calder Road.

ZONE B is located in the northwest region, west of I-45 and north of the American Canal. A portion of Zone B is within Harris County including Challenger Park. Clear Creek runs through Zone B, and the majority of land use is designated single family residential. Older established neighborhoods are located north of League City Parkway, while south of the Parkway has been developed since 2000.

ZONE C is comprised of major north-south thoroughfares, including I-45 and State Highway 3, as well as east-west corridors Main Street/FM 518 and League City Parkway. Its eastern border is FM 270. Centrally located, this zone includes the tree-lined streets of the Historic District and parks such as Helen’s Garden and League Park. Land use varies from the earliest settled areas along Clear Creek, including commercial primarily along road corridors, agricultural, and new master-planned communities.

ZONE D is located on the eastern side of the city and borders the cities of Kemah, Bayview, Baycliff, and Dickinson. The northern boundary includes areas of Clear Lake, the South Shore Harbour Resort and Marina, and associated residential development. Master-planned communities developed since 2000, include Mar Bella, Whispering Lakes Ranch, and Tuscan Lakes.
DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE
Understanding population and demographic trends for League City are essential elements for assessing how the area will grow and change over time. Past, present, and future demographic figures were collected and estimated utilizing data from the following sources: US Census, American Community Survey, Nielsen/Claritas 2016 Estimates - PCensus for ArcView (hereafter referred to as “PCensus”), Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC), League City staff, and research completed by CDS (Community Development Strategies).

Previous demographic projections were reviewed and compared to current plans for the city. The most recent official projections provided by the city staff were published within the 2013 League City Comprehensive Plan. These projections provided four scenarios based on an annual average growth rate of 2.5%, 3.0%, 3.4%, and 4.0%. It was noted that a 3.4% growth rate seemed most likely at that time. Since then, growth expectations for the Houston area have changed and are more modest. Demographic projections updated for this plan were reviewed by city planning staff as well as compared to the most current count of existing residential lots. Both sources corroborate the validity of these numbers.

POPULATION TRENDS
The tables below provide population trends for League City and the region (League City, Galveston County, Harris County, and the Houston MSA). Population counts and estimates for the same period are also broken out into planning zones (as shown on the map on the previous page). In addition, projections are provided for League City and the subsections for 2026 and 2036 (10 and 20 years into the future). Projections are based on H-GAC and CDS projections for the Houston area that are tied to Transportation Analysis Zones, a common smaller unit of geography often used in transportation planning models and will be used to determine future park needs. Since the 2006 Parks Master Plan was developed, the city has seen a 55.3% increase in population. Projections anticipate an additional 44.24% growth by 2036.

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Source: US Census, American Community Survey, PCensus, CDS Community Development Strategies

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DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS
Historically a bedroom community, League City has a much larger percentage of households with children than the Houston Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), as shown on the chart below. League City also has higher percentages of people who hold a bachelors degree or higher, as well as higher median home values. By 2036, League City is projected to have over 36,000 children under the age of 18 and nearly 54,000 households with children. The need for increasing park and recreational opportunities over the next 20 years is significant. Additional race/ethnicity, age, and household information can be found in the charts below.

REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILES - 2016

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<td>$178,676</td>
<td>$155,994</td>
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Source: US Census, American Community Survey, PCensus, CDS Community Development Strategies

LEAGUE CITY DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILES - CURRENT AND PROJECTED

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ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
Although the City of League City does not have any frontage along Galveston Bay, portions of the northern city limits follow Clear Creek and include portions of Clear Lake. Along this corridor, substantial environmentally-sensitive areas exist, including floodplain, wetlands, and habitat areas. Many of these areas have been incorporated into parks and preserves, including Heritage Park, the Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Creek Center Nature Clear, Myrtle Park, and the Kilgore Tract. The unique hydrologic system of the Gulf Coast area, which includes storm water infrastructure such as drainage channels and detention basins, provides many opportunities for parks, trails, and open space.

PREVIOUS PLANNING EFFORTS
Several other planning documents were reviewed during the development of the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan to provide a comprehensive assessment of the city’s goals, previous successes, and challenges to implementing recommendations. The following is a brief summary of a few of those documents and how they relate to the development of this Plan.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN 2006
- Utilized four zones for assessing level-of-service
- Assigned typology of each park
- Included private/HOA parks at 25% of total acreage

TRAILS MASTER PLAN 2010
- Identified over 200 miles of potential trail corridors
- Developed a paddle trail route along Clear Creek
- Established four distinctive theme zones

BRANDING, DEVELOPMENT, AND MARKETING ACTION PLAN 2011
- Created a new brand for the city
- Outlined three marketing messages

MAIN STREET IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2012
- Developed in coordination with the Houston-Galveston Area Council’s Livable Centers Program
- Identified catalytic projects to re-envision the Historic Downtown District area

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2035 (2013)
- Addressed challenges of rapid population growth
- Identified “Guiding Principles” for future growth strategies
INTRODUCTION

THE MASTER PLAN PROCESS
The League City Council approved the development of a comprehensive Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan on March 8, 2016. The Director of Parks and Cultural Services met with the consultant team during an initial kick-off meeting to establish the project timeline and critical milestones. League City’s existing park facilities were photographed and inventoried during a two-day site assessment with the Director and the Park Operations Superintendent.

In May, two community-wide public meetings were held at local schools on the east and west sides of the city. Both meetings were well attended, and citizens provided insight and feedback. In order to obtain more specific input, small meetings were facilitated with youth sports groups, including football, baseball, swim, and soccer. An online survey was distributed to the public and garnered over 2,000 responses. Existing demographics as well as population projections were reviewed in order to understand both the current and future needs of the city. City staff, including public works and planning departments as well as other stakeholder groups, were consulted during the development of the plan.

PARKS MASTER PLAN PROCESS

ROLE IN PARKS DEVELOPMENT
The City of League City is the principal provider of parks and recreation for its residents. Additional public facilities are provided by both Harris and Galveston Counties, including Walter Hall, Challenger, and Elva Lobit parks. Homeowner and civic associations offer additional facilities but typically are only available for their residents. League City has historically focused on community- and neighborhood-type parks, also providing for passive regional parks, such as the Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center. The city does not currently own or maintain any small pocket parks. A full description of each of the existing park and trail facilities is included in the next chapter.
MASTER PLAN GOALS
In order to develop a comprehensive planning document that can be used as a guide for future parks, recreation, trails, and open space development, the following goals were established for the League City Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan:

• Combine and update the previous 2006 Parks and Open Space Master Plan and the 2010 Trails Master Plan
• Consider areas within the city limits as well as immediate adjacent areas within League City’s extraterritorial jurisdiction
• Receive approval of the plan from city council, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and other related agencies/stakeholders
• Develop vision and mission statements for the plan
• Design a plan that will be easy to use and serve as a marketing document for the city

MISSION STATEMENT
The following mission statement has been established for the development of the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan 2017 for the City of League City:

Develop a balanced system of dynamic parks, trails, and open spaces that embrace League City’s natural assets and provides exceptional recreational opportunities for all residents.
INTRODUCTION

IMPORTANCE OF PARKS

Parks, trails, and open space provide significant impact to the overall quality of life for a community and its residents. They serve a multitude of roles from providing recreation and active space to environmental benefits, such as groundwater recharge and reducing the heat island effect. In an effort to analyze expected impacts of the proposed Bayou Greenways Project, the Houston Parks Board commissioned a study by Dr. John Crompton of Texas A&M University in 2012. In his report, Dr. Crompton evaluated the multiple benefits of developing 243 miles of trails and greenways throughout the city along 10 major bayous and attempted to apply a dollar figure for each mile of trail that was constructed. He concluded that once constructed, the city would see $117.1 million dollars in direct benefits annually, including reduction in health costs, enrichment of the environment and improved quality of life. The numerous benefits provided by greenspace are organized into four main categories that are explored below:

SOCIAL

Parks are the center of a community. They provide a place for families to gather on the weekend, playgroups and school-children on field trips to enjoy during the week, and an optimal location for large, community-wide events. According to a report published by the Trust for Public Land in 2006, “residents of neighborhoods with greenery in common spaces are more likely to enjoy stronger social ties than those who live surrounded by barren concrete.”

HEALTH

Concerns for health and obesity continue to rise throughout the United States. Providing abundant opportunities for residents to engage in physical activity is critical to reduce health risks. Improving access to outdoor space for recreation can provide huge benefits to a person’s mental and physical health. According to the National Recreation and Park Association, the “use of greenspace is associated with improved blood pressure and cholesterol levels, reduced stress, improved general health perceptions, and a greater ability.”

ECONOMIC

The economic benefit that parks provide to a community is referred to its “hedonic value.” It is one of the hardest to quantify of all park benefits. Increased property values, tourism, and the ability to attract and retain homeowners and businesses are all direct advantages to a successful park system. Numerous studies have shown that proximity to parks can increase overall property values, depending on distance and quality of the park.
INTRODUCTION

ENVIRONMENTAL

Parks are the most obvious type of green infrastructure in which a city can invest. They protect natural ecosystems by controlling storm water runoff and allowing for storm water cleansing as well as ground water recharge. A mature canopy of trees can reduce the heat island effect as well as air pollution. A study performed by the U.S. Forest Service calculated that over a 50-year timeframe, just one tree can generate over $31,250 worth of oxygen, provide $62,000 worth of air pollution control, and recycle $37,500 worth of water.

PARK PLANNING

The City of League City continues to assess and re-envision their growth. The recently-updated Comprehensive Plan provides guidance to a city that has doubled in population in the last 20 years and is projected to see at least another 44% growth in the next 20 years. Understanding existing park, trail, and open space inventory as well as assessing community desires for additional facilities and projecting future needs is a major step, assuring that League City residents continue to enjoy the quality of recreational facilities they enjoy today. The following chapters outline the current state of League City’s park, trail, and open space resources, compares them to both national and local benchmarks, and builds upon the city’s previous planning efforts to establish goals for the next 20 years.
INTRODUCTION
In order to assess current and future recreation needs for the City of League City, a thorough inventory has been developed of existing parks, trails, and greenspaces. Facilities owned and operated by the city have been visited and analyzed for facility types, program offerings, and condition. Additional facilities were also reviewed including public facilities owned and operated by other entities (county) as well as private and semi-private facilities (public/private partnerships, schools, HOAs).

League City currently owns and operates a total of 857.62 acres of parks and greenspace distributed throughout the city. The city provides a variety of facilities including highly programmed active parks, such as the Chester L. Davis Sportsplex, as well as passive ecological parks, like the Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center. An additional 440 acres of park space are provided by Harris and Galveston counties. Private and semi-private park space was also considered as shown in the needs assessment chapter.

PARK CLASSIFICATIONS
Parks are generally classified into types based upon acreage, amenities, and expected service area. The previous 2006 Parks Master Plan established classifications for League City parks based upon the National Recreation and Park Association's (NRPA) guidelines. These classifications were reviewed and updated for this plan, using a combination of each park’s total acreage, existing amenities, and usage. The NRPA guidelines for park classifications are shown below and followed by descriptions of each park type.

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POCKET PARKS
Pocket or mini parks are the smallest park classification and typically serve a very limited area (less than a 1/4 mile or a 10 minute walk). Generally they are less than one acre in size and include limited recreational facilities, such as a playground structure, bench, and litter receptacle. League City does not currently own or maintain any pocket parks, although several residential communities offer these types of parks through their homeowner associations.
NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS
Neighborhood Parks range from 1 - 15 acres and generally serve one large neighborhood or several smaller, adjacent neighborhoods. These parks provide a variety of facilities, both passive and active, but may have limited parking and access. Neighborhood Parks serve residents within a 1/2 - mile radius, or a 15 - minute walk.

**Developed Parks**
- Bayridge Park
- Ghirardi Family Water Smart Park
- Heritage Park
- League Park
- Newport Park
- Rustic Oaks Park

**Undeveloped Parks**
- Westover Park

COMMUNITY PARKS
Community Parks are city-wide facilities and range in size from over 15 acres to 100 acres. These parks can be active or passive in nature but generally have elements of both and include an extensive list of recreational features and programming. These parks typically have abundant parking and serve an area within a one mile radius or more.

**Developed Parks**
- Hometown Heroes Park
- Lynn Gripon Park at Countryside

**Undeveloped Parks**
- Kilgore Tract
- Myrtle Park
- Dick Benoit Prairie Preserve

REGIONAL PARKS
Regional Parks are the largest of the park classifications and therefore have a large service radius of 30 miles or more. These parks are generally developed within or adjacent to special natural features or protected environmental areas. They can be passive or active in nature, but their large acreage and unique features create a regional destination, drawing visitors from nearby cities or farther.

**Developed Parks**
- Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center

**Undeveloped Parks**
- Bay Colony West

SPECIAL USE PARKS
Special Use Parks can vary in overall size but are categorized as special use due to their limited recreation activities. Botanic gardens and arboretums, golf courses, and sports complexes are categorized as special use parks.

**Developed Parks**
- City Pool
- City Boat Ramp
- Chester L. Davis Sportsplex

**Undeveloped Parks**
- Helen’s Garden
PUBLIC PARKS

The City of League City owns and maintains over 850 acres of parks and open space including 24 miles of hike and bike trail corridors. The distribution of city park acreage per park type is provided in the chart below.

### LEAGUE CITY EXISTING PARK ACREAGE

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<td><strong>603.39 Acres</strong></td>
<td><strong>254.23 Acres</strong></td>
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City park acreage has not increased significantly since the 2006 Parks Master Plan, although the population of League City has increased by over 35,000 residents. However, in 2006, only 188.89 acres were developed parks, whereas today there are a total of 603.39 acres of accessible, usable park space for residents. Since 2006, the city has developed the Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center, Heritage Park, the Ghirardi Family Water Smart Park, and Hometown Heroes Park. These facilities provide diverse and new recreational opportunities for city residents.

The 2010 League City Trails Master Plan prioritized the improvement of pedestrian connectivity throughout the city. Since its publication, the city has begun creating new trail systems as well as improving pedestrian connections along major thoroughfares. In 2010, existing trails within League City totaled 17 miles. Since then, the city has added over six miles of trails and several other trails projects are currently under design.
Two Galveston County parks and one Harris County park provide additional recreational opportunities to League City residents. Walter Hall is a great example of a community park that provides a diverse mix of both active and passive recreational opportunities, as well as a community hall that can be rented for events. Challenger Seven Memorial Park was developed to honor the seven NASA astronauts who lost their lives in the explosion of the Challenger Space Shuttle in 1986. The park is primarily passive with fishing and wildlife viewing, a canoe launch, and picnic areas. Elva Lobit Park contains a baseball field, soccer fields, and a picnic area. The baseball field is popular with many of the area leagues because it has field lighting.

### COUNTY PARKS

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The following pages provide an in-depth review and assessment of public park facilities including city-developed and undeveloped parks as well as county parks. A map of public parks is provided on the following page.

### PRIVATE AND SEMI-PRIVATE PARKS

League City residents also benefit from park and recreation facilities provided by private and semi-private entities. Many residential communities provide parks and greenspace that are managed by homeowner or property-owner associations. These facilities are typically only available for residents who live within the community but provide valuable amenities that augment city facilities. Semi-private facilities include Big League Dreams - a sports complex that was developed as a public-private partnership with the city, as well as two golf courses within city limits, Magnolia Creek and Beacon Lakes, which are open to the public. For the purposes of this plan, public facilities were explored in depth while private and semi-private facilities were only assessed as part of level-of-service.

### PRIVATE AND SEMI-PRIVATE PARK FACILITIES

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BAYRIDGE PARK

AMENITIES:
• Pavilion
• Baseball/Softball Field
• Basketball Court
• Playground
  - Child Swings (2)
  - Tot Swings (1)
  - Slides (2)

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Located adjacent to Bayridge Apartments
• Could connect to large detention basin located a 1/4 mile southeast next to Sandra Mossman Elementary School

CONSTRAINTS:
• No existing sidewalks along adjacent streets
• On-street parking only
• Playground equipment is older and provides no shade cover
CITY BOAT RAMP

1500 North Egret Bay Blvd. • 1.47 Acres • Special Purpose Park

**LEGEND:**
- Property Line
- Water Way
- Parking

**AMENITIES:**
- Portable Restroom
- Parking (36)
- Picnic Tables (2)
- Boat/Kayak Launch (2)

**OPPORTUNITIES:**
- Direct access to Clear Creek
- Ample parking
- City gateway
- Potential trail connection to Nature Center

**CONSTRAINTS:**
- Erosion concerns at ramp
- Environmentally sensitive area
- Located within floodplain
CITY POOL

450 West Walker • 1.87 Acres • Special Purpose Park

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Located near other civic buildings
• Adjacent to Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center
• Consider pedestrian connection to existing sidewalk on Walker

CONSTRAINTS:
• Pool requires renovation/update
• Lack of sidewalks along north side of W. Walker Street

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Pavilion
- Pool
- Parking

AMENITIES:
• Restrooms (2)
• Pavilion
  - Concession Stand
• Kitchen
• Parking (260)
• Swimming Pool
  - 50M Lap Lane (6)
  - 25M Lap Lane (6)
  - Diving Boards (2)
  - Toddler Pool

PROGRAMMING:
• Open Swim
• Pool Parties
• Swim Lessons
• Water Aerobics
AMENITIES:
• Restrooms (5)
• Pavilions (3)
  - Concessions
• Parking (752)
• Baseball Fields - Little League (5)
  - Pony Field (1)
  - Colt Field (1)
  - Softball Fields (3)
• Batting Cages (4)
• Football Fields (2)
  - Can be used for international soccer
• Soccer Fields (9)
  - International (1)
  - Medium (3) - can be 3 small fields
  - Small (2)
• Volleyball Courts (6)
• Playgrounds (2)
  - Slides (4)
• Picnic Tables (38)
• Veterans Memorial
• Outdoor Showers

PROGRAMMING:
• Annual City Easter Egg Hunt
• July Fireworks
• League Sport

OPPORTUNITIES:
• City currently reviewing additional parking and access to Walker Street
• Good access from I-45 and League City Parkway

CONSTRAINTS:
• Access and mobility during multiple events is a challenge
• Field lighting needs to be updated
• Lack of pedestrian/bike access to site
• Overuse of fields
• Utility corridor divides park on north side
DR. NED & FAY DUDNEY CLEAR CREEK NATURE CENTER

1220 Egret Bay Blvd. North • 148.00 Acres • Regional Park

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Potential for future paddle trail launch
• Large natural site
• Clear Creek frontage
• Direct access from FM 270

CONSTRAINTS:
• Environmentally-sensitive area
• Dense cover and poor visibility from main roadway may cause security concerns
• Poor drainage in entry drive
• No existing utility service including water, sewer, and electricity
• No pedestrian access to west side of FM 270

AMENITIES:
• Restroom (1)
• Pavilion (1)
• Parking (15)
• Trails
• Observation Areas (4)

PROGRAMMING:
• Guided Nature Walks
GHIRARDI FAMILY WATERSMART PARK

1810 Louisiana Avenue • 3.75 Acres • Neighborhood Park

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Pavilion
- Playground
- Parking

AMENITIES:
- Restroom
- Pavilion
- Parking (8)
- Playground
  - Child Swings
  - ADA Swings
  - Tot Swings
  - Slides
- Picnic Tables
- Water Storage Cistern
- Outdoor Classroom
- Educational Displays
- Rain Garden
- Interpretive Signage
- Relocated Ghirardi Compton Oak

OPPORTUNITIES:
- WaterSmart education
- Direct access to the Meadows community
- Location of relocated Ghirardi Compton Oak

CONSTRAINTS:
- Poor drainage in northwest area
- Unique maintenance requirements
HELEN’S GARDEN

701 East Main Street • 1.47 Acres • Special Purpose Park

AMENITIES:
• Restrooms (1)
• Parking (6)
• Picnic Tables
• Pond
• Waterfall
• Gardens
• Arbor

PROGRAMMING:
• Bridal/Wedding events

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Proximity to League Park
• Site of original Butler property
• Grand Butler Oaks along Main Street
• Historical significance

CONSTRAINTS:
• Limited parking
HERITAGE PARK

1220 Coryell • 10.40 Acres • Neighborhood Park

AMENITIES:
• Restroom
• Parking (65)
• Playgrounds (2)
  - Child Swings
  - ADA Swings
  - Tot Swings
• Picnic Tables
• Canoe/Kayak Launch
• Fishing Pier
• Jogging Trail
• Gardens
• Arbor
• Butler Longhorn Museum

PROGRAMMING:
• Food Truck Fridays
• Annual Longhorn Social Movie in the Rose Garden/Up Close
  and Personal

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Launch Point for Clear Creek Paddle Trail
• Additional trails could link to League Park
• Open space on west side of park

CONSTRAINTS:
• No parking near playground
• Located adjacent to City waste water treatment plant
• Noise level of events at Museum to adjacent residential

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Water Way
- Paddle Trail
- Canoe/Kayak Launch
- Playground
- Picnic Area
- Parking
HOMETOWN HEROES PARK

1001 East League City Parkway • 28.71 Acres • Community Park

OPPORTUNITIES:
• A trail along League City Parkway and Dickinson Avenue could encourage more use from adjacent neighborhoods
• Potential for 5K route
• Potential for fitness facility or splashpad

CONSTRAINTS:
• Utility easements on northern portion of site limit development
• Existing pool lacks leisure elements and depth for certain competitive sports
• Restroom facilities are located far from sports fields

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Pavilion
- Playground
- Pool
- Parking

AMENITIES:
• Restrooms (7)
• Pavilion
• Community Center
  - Indoor Gym (2)
  - Multipurpose Room
  - Stage
  - Kitchen
• Parking (750)
• Football Field (1)
• Soccer Fields (3)
  - Large Fields (2)
  - Medium Field (1)
• Indoor Volleyball (2)
• Indoor Pickleball
• Basketball Courts (3)
• Swimming Pool
  - 50M Lap Lane (8)
  - 25M Lap Lane (16)
  - Toddler Pool
• Playground
• Picnic Tables
• Jogging Trail

PROGRAMMING:
• Aquatics
• Breakfast with Santa
• Camp by the Creek
• Community Garage Sale
• Mother/Son Dance
• Father/Daughter Dance
• Family Fun Nights
• Fitness Classes
• Home-school P.E.
• Monthly Kids Night Out
• National Athletic Tournaments
• Regional Swim Meets
• Senior Health Fair
• Tournaments
• Youth Programming
LEAGUE PARK

512 2nd Street • 2.18 Acres • Neighborhood Park

AMENITIES:
• Restrooms (2)
• Pavilion
• Parking (90)
• Basketball Courts (2)
• Accessible Playground
  - Child Swings (2)
  - ADA Swings (3)
  - Tot Swing
  - Slides (5)
• Picnic Tables (13)
• Train Caboose
• Turtle Pond
• Fountain
• Gazebo
• Parks Department
  Administrative Offices

PROGRAMMING:
• Fourth of July Festival
• Annual Oak Tree Festival
• Holiday in the Park
• Space City Cruisers Car Show
• Wellness Walk
• Concerts in the Park

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Center of Historic District
• Connections to adjacent shopping
• Grand historic Butler Oaks
• Numerous dedication plaques & historical significance
• Potential expansion north across 3rd Street for park use
• Potential for trail head location
• Accessible playground is popular destination

CONSTRAINTS:
• Park is prone to flooding
• Any improvements would require tree protection
• Large trees limit turf growth
• Restrooms need updating
• Gazebo needs updating
• Small size and heavy programming create challenge for large events
LYNN GRIPON PARK AT COUNTRYSIDE

100 Alderwood/501 N Bay Area Blvd • 68.00 Acres • Community Park

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Ample parking
• Park maintenance facility located onsite
• Potential trail connection south to Rustic Oaks Trail
• Potential connection to West Oaks Community
• Paddle trail launch
• Internal trail and external trail connection to Countryside HOA Park and south to League City Parkway
• Dog park recently installed

CONSTRAINTS:
• Located within 100 year floodplain and prone to flooding
• Sports fields have limited seating
• Small park area west of Bay Area Boulevard lacks amenities

LEGEND:
Property Line
Trail
Water Way
Paddle Trail
Canoe/Kayak Launch
Pavilion
Playground
Picnic Area
Parking

AMENITIES:
• Restroom
• Pavilion
  • Concession
• Parking (200)
• Softball Fields (2)
• Football Field
• Soccer Field
  • Full (Can Fit 2 Small Fields)
• Volleyball Court
• Covered Basketball Courts (2)
• Playgrounds (2)
  • Child Swings (6)
  • Tot Swings (2)
• Picnic Tables
• Canoe/Kayak Launch
• Jogging Trail with Fitness Course
• Dog Park

PROGRAMMING:
• League Sports
NEWPORT PARK

2398 Colonial Court North • 9.00 Acres • Neighborhood Park

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Playground
- Picnic Area
- Parking

AMENITIES:
- Parking (20)
- Baseball/Softball Field
- Backstop
- Basketball Court
- Playground
  - Child Swings (2)
  - Tot Swings (2)
  - Slides (3)
- Picnic Tables (6)

OPPORTUNITIES:
- Large undeveloped areas - both open and with existing trees
- Direct access for residents of Newport
- Trail access to Ellis Landing
- Adjacent drainage channel could provide connectivity to Ross Elementary and League City Parkway
- Partnerships with adjacent HOAs for development

CONSTRAINTS:
- Limited access and parking
- Relatively unknown park
- Ball field is uneven
- Drainage swales divide park
RUSTIC OAKS PARK

5101 Orange Blossom • 35.47 Acres • Neighborhood Park

AMENITIES:
• Restroom
• Pavilion
• Parking (55)
• Baseball/Softball Field Backstop
• Soccer Field (Can Fit 2 Small Fields)
• Volleyball Court
• Tennis Courts (2)
• Playground
  - Child Swings (2)
  - Tot Swings (2)
  - Slides (2)
• Picnic Tables
• Jogging Trail
• Fishing Pier
• Horseshoe Pits (2)
• Observation Area

PROGRAMMING:
• Annual National Trails Day
• Pavilion Rental

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Existing trail connectivity to FM 518 and Bay Area Boulevard
• Good lighting for evening use at facilities near parking lot

CONSTRAINTS:
• No lighting at soccer field
• Limited access
UNDEVELOPED PARK ACREAGE
The following five parks are owned by League City and are proposed future parks. No development has occurred on these sites, and, therefore, no public access currently exists.

OTHER PARK ACREAGE
Immediately following city-owned undeveloped park acreage, an analysis of parks located within city boundaries but owned and/or operated by other entities is included. Parks owned by Harris and Galveston Counties as well as the Big League Dreams sports complex provide League City residents with a variety of recreational opportunities. The benefits of these parks are considered when analyzing future park and recreational facility needs.

BAY COLONY WEST - UNDEVELOPED

**OPPORTUNITIES:**
- Large tract
- Frontage along Calder Road which is a north-south connector to Big League Dreams and Highway 96

**CONSTRAINTS:**
- Remediation and site clean up is needed

Ervin Avenue • 106.39 Acres
**DICK BENOIT PRAIRIE PRESERVE - UNDEVELOPED**

**OPPORTUNITIES:**
- Adjacent to Mar Bella community
- Supported by the Texas Master Naturalists
- Frontage along Highway 96
- Potential trail connection to Clear Creek ISD schools

**CONSTRAINTS:**
- Preservation area and therefore development may be limited

**KILGORE TRACT - UNDEVELOPED**

**OPPORTUNITIES:**
- Adjacent to Heritage Park and Clear Creek
- Access from N. Kansas Ave

**CONSTRAINTS:**
- Adjacent to city treatment plant
- Portions of property within floodplain
- Requires remediation/cleanup
League City Parkway • 16.50 Acres

WESTOVER PARK - UNDEVELOPED

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Frontage along League City Parkway with existing 8’ - wide walk
• Adjacent to drainage and utility corridors that connect to trails in Magnolia Creek
• Could provide park space for Magnolia Creek and Westover Park

CONSTRAINTS:
• Large site would require onsite parking
• May require coordination with private utilities to maximize connectivity

League City Parkway • 16.50 Acres
CHALLENGER SEVEN MEMORIAL PARK - HARRIS COUNTY

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Water Way
- Canoe/Kayak Launch
- Pavilion
- Playground
- Picnic Area
- Parking

AMENITIES:
- Restrooms (2)
- Pavilions (3)
- Parking (200)
- Playgrounds (7)
- Kayak Launch
- Fishing Pier
- Community Garden
- Bird Sanctuary
- Memorial

OPPORTUNITIES:
- Harris County owned and operated
- Historical significance and tourist destination
- Established launch along Clear Creek
- Located adjacent to Clear Creek ISD Challenger Columbia Stadium

CONSTRAINTS:
- No direct pedestrian access

2301 W. Nasa Blvd., Webster • 326.00 Acres • Regional Park
WALTER HALL PARK - GALVESTON COUNTY

807 SH 3 N • 86.00 Acres • Community Park

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Galveston County owned and operated
• Located at major gateway into League City
• Multiple amenities in one location
• Large shade trees
• Lighting provided at baseball fields and tennis courts
• Adjacent to Clear Creek with canoe/kayak launch
• Direct access from Hwy 3
• Potential to connect communities on east side of State Hwy 3 and south of 518 with trail system

CONSTRAINTS:
• Lack of pedestrian/bike connectivity to park

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Water Way
- Paddle Trail
- Railroad
- Canoe/Kayak Launch
- Pavilion
- Playground
- Picnic Area
- Parking

AMENITIES:
• Restrooms (3)
• Pavilions (5)
• Parking (715)
• Baseball Field
• Football Field
• Soccer Field
• Volleyball Courts (2)
• Tennis Courts (2)
• Playgrounds (2)
  - Child Swings (6)
• Picnic Tables
• Canoe/Kayak Launch
• Jogging Trail
• Fishing Piers (2)
• Maintenance Facility
• Educational Signage
• Indoor Banquet Facility

PROGRAMMING:
• Village Fair & Parade
• Music Festival & BBQ
• Annual 1k/5K Wellness Walk & Run
• League Sports
• Rental Space for Special Events
ELVA LOBIT PARK - GALVESTON COUNTY

1901 East FM 646 • 28.00 Acres • Neighborhood Park

LEGEND:
- Property Line
- Trail
- Pavilion
- Picnic Area
- Parking

AMENITIES:
- Restroom
- Pavilion
- Parking (30)
- Baseball Field
- Soccer Fields (2)
- Basketball Court
- Picnic Tables (6)

OPPORTUNITIES:
- Galveston County owned and operated
- Lighted baseball field with seating is used by city's organized sports leagues
- Large paved area where previous tennis courts were located
- Large overhead utilities along eastern border that could be future trail corridor

CONSTRAINTS:
- Located along proposed toll road corridor
- Soccer fields do not have lighting
- Lack of pedestrian/bike connections to surrounding areas
BIG LEAGUE DREAMS SPORTS PARK - SEMI-PRIVATE

OPPORTUNITIES:
• Amenities include clubhouse, baseball and soccer fields, skate park, playground, and picnic areas

CONSTRAINTS:
• Property owned by League City although facility is considered a “pay-to-play” and primarily hosts private league events
• Skate park is outside facility and open to the public

PRIVATE FACILITIES
Some League City residents also have access to private facilities within their community, owned and maintained by property or homeowner associations (HOAs). Homeowners are assessed an annual fee to maintain park facilities which typically include pools, tennis courts, and playground equipment, among other features. More recent developments also include trail systems as part of their recreation offerings. The chart on the following page provides acreage of park space per neighborhood and the map on the following page illustrates the location of HOA park facilities. For the purposes of calculating level-of-service, these parks are classified as neighborhood-type parks and acreage is reduced to only 25% of total acreage to account for the fact that only residents of each individual subdivision may utilize the facilities within it.
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TRAILS AND GREENWAYS
When League City developed a trails master plan in 2010, only 17 miles of trails existed. Since that time, the city has aggressively developed additional trail systems, including wide hike and bike trails. They have also performed repairs and completed gaps in sidewalk systems within city right-of-ways. The map below reflects the nearly 40 miles of existing trails provided by city and private developers. Condition, width, and material type vary. A paddle trail has also been established along a portion of Clear Creek with trailheads in Lynn Gripion Park at Countryside, Walter Hall, and Heritage Parks. For the purposes of calculating level-of-service, in acres, a typical greenway width of 50’ has been applied to each trail segment. As was previously mentioned, League City does not own all of the greenway property, but these existing trails combine to form a comprehensive pedestrian network that continues to expand.
EXISTING FACILITIES
These charts provide a summary of the total quantities of facility types per park. Amenities are divided into infrastructure (restrooms, parking, etc.), active (sports fields, pools) and passive (picnic areas, playgrounds, etc.)
Amenities within developed public parks including city and county are provided. The fully public portion of Big League Dreams (skatepark) is also included.

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* Public Area Only
VICINITY PARKS
Residents of League City also benefit from surrounding vicinity parks. However, their acreage and facilities are not considered for level-of-service calculations. Facilities within 10 miles of the city are indicated on the map below and a brief description is provided on the following pages.
### INVENTORY

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7. PAUL HOPKINS PARK
GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

EXISTING AMENITIES:
- Canoe Launch
- Multi-Purpose Trail
- Playground
- Picnic Areas

MILES FROM LEAGUE CITY: 6

8. CLEAR LAKE PARK
CITY OF SEABROOK

EXISTING AMENITIES:
- Jogging Trail
- Sports Fields
- Community Center
- Ancient Indian Burial Grounds

MILES FROM LEAGUE CITY: 7

9. SYLVAN RODRIGUEZ PARK
CITY OF HOUSTON

EXISTING AMENITIES:
- Jogging Trail
- Sitting Ring Monument
- Labyrinth
- Picnic Pavilion
- Practice Fields
- Playground

MILES FROM LEAGUE CITY: 8

10. PINE GULLY PARK
CITY OF SEABROOK

EXISTING AMENITIES:
- Fishing Pier
- Hike & Bike Trail
- Picnic Areas
- Playground

MILES FROM LEAGUE CITY: 9

11. ARMAND BAYOU NATURE CENTER
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

EXISTING AMENITIES:
- Boardwalk
- Butterfly Gardens
- Prairie Plantforms
- Marshes

MILES FROM LEAGUE CITY: 10

12. FRIENDSWOOD SPORTSPARK
CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD

EXISTING AMENITIES:
- 4 Softball Fields-Lighted
- 3 Soccer Fields-Lighted
- Concession Stand
- Restrooms

MILES FROM LEAGUE CITY: 10
PROGRAMMING

The City of League City offers a variety of recreational programming, including adult and youth league sports, youth camps, water aerobics, swim lessons, fencing, gymnastics, and karate. The League City Parks and Recreation Department also coordinates special events, including the annual National Trails Day, Camp by the Creek, City Pool’s Fishing Extravaganza, Holiday in the Park, 5K walk/runs, as well as outdoor movies and concerts. Programming can be found in the city’s “Beyond the Oaks” newsletter. Several of the city facilities are available for private rental, including picnic pavilions and gazebos, sports fields, pools, multipurpose rooms, gyms, and meeting rooms.
4 Needs Assessment
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE
The previous chapter outlines the existing inventory of parks, trails, and open space in League City. This data becomes the foundation for calculating existing Level-of-Service (LOS), or how the city compares to local, regional, and/or national standards as well as determining the types of facilities needed to accommodate expected population growth within the next 20 years. Level-of-Service is calculated using a standard per a set number of people, typically in increments of 1,000. In order to properly determine the recommended additions, renovations, or redevelopment the city should consider, future needs are assessed by three different methods as outlined below.

STANDARDS BASED needs assessment utilizes national, regional, or local guidelines such as the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) recommendations for park and facility classifications, size, quantity or total acreage, and service area. NRPA’s guidelines were established in 1995, and although the association now recommends a more community-specific approach for determining level-of-service guidelines, the previous standards are still utilized as a general starting point for determining current deficit and surplus of park space and facilities. The 2006 Parks Master Plan established unique level-of-service goals for League City that will be utilized for this plan. Quantity of parks; a ratio of park acreage, per type, to population; the accessibility to park facilities; and a more detailed analysis of park facility types will be analyzed.

DEMAND BASED needs assessment incorporates public input and feedback. This type of analysis is gathered directly from the community and illustrates how people currently use park spaces as well as how they want to utilize park facilities in the future. This type of assessment can assist with identifying priorities and understanding trends and programming needs. Public meetings, stakeholder and focus groups, as well as community-wide surveys, can be utilized to assess demand-based needs.

RESOURCE BASED needs assessment evaluates existing physical resources within a community such as natural areas, waterbodies, and historic and cultural landscapes while considering their potential for inclusion within the parks and recreation system. Underutilized areas such as public and private right-of-ways including roadways, drainage corridors, and utility easements are also evaluated. Utilizing these three methods provides a comprehensive evaluation of League City's parks, trails, and open space. The following pages provide an in-depth review of each of these three methods.
NEEDS ASSESSMENT

STANDARDS BASED NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The 2006 Parks Master Plan defined unique Level-of-Service (LOS) goals for League City that were established by reviewing the National Recreation and Park Association guidelines and tailoring them to better reflect League City community needs. The standards did not include recommendations for pocket parks or regional parks, as historically these park types have been provided by other entities, pocket parks by homeowner associations and large regional parks provided by counties. Reviewing established goals for similar Texas cities (see chart below), both in size and population, have indicated the need for including a goal for regional type parks in order to provide residents with a comprehensive park system. Therefore, a standard of five acres per 1,000 people has been provided for regional parks, increasing the total park acreage goal to 15 acres per 1,000 people.

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Applying these level-of-service standards to League City’s existing park facilities provides an overview of how well the city is currently meeting these goals. Since 2006, the population of League City has increased from 64,097 to 99,547, an increase of 35,450 people or 55% growth. City owned and operated park acreage has increased by only 4%, thus creating a gap in level-of-service. The chart below indicates current level-of-service for League City owned and operated parks by type.

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*Pearland recommends between 100-300 acres total for regional parks.

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*Based upon 2016 population of 99,547 and rounded to the nearest whole number
As shown on the previous chart, League City currently has a deficit in all park facility types except for greenways. Cumulatively, existing park acres provide only 8.62 acres per 1,000 people, well below the 15 acres per 1,000 residents goal. Of the 857.62 total park acres owned and maintained by the city, only 70% are developed parks accessible to the public. The chart below breaks down current park acreage into developed and undeveloped. Since 2006, an additional 180 acres of park lands have been developed into usable park space. This plan also takes into account the 238 greenway acres that were not accounted for in the 2006 plan.

### DEVELOPED VS. UNDEVELOPED CITY PARKS

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<tr>
<th>Park Facility</th>
<th>Total Acres</th>
<th>Acres Developed</th>
<th>Acres Undeveloped</th>
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<td>Community</td>
<td>220.37</td>
<td>96.71</td>
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<td>254.00</td>
<td>148.00</td>
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<td>Special Use</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>857.62</strong></td>
<td><strong>603.39</strong></td>
<td><strong>254.23</strong></td>
<td><strong>70.00%</strong></td>
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The 2006 public survey showed that residents also frequent other public parks within League City which are owned and operated by both Harris and Galveston Counties. In order to accurately reflect the total available public park acres for residents of League City, the chart below includes acreage of county parks.

### LEAGUE CITY AND COUNTY PARK ACREAGE

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<th>Park Facility</th>
<th>City Parks (Acres)</th>
<th>County Parks (Acres)</th>
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<td>220.37</td>
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<td>580.00</td>
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<td>58.81</td>
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<td>Greenways/Linear</td>
<td>238.00</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>857.62</strong></td>
<td><strong>440.00</strong></td>
<td><strong>1297.62</strong></td>
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There are also numerous private and semi-private park facilities within League City. Big League Dreams is a semi-private facility that provides active recreation facilities to the public and league sports for a fee. There are also two golf courses located within League City that are open to the public. The development of master planned communities has significantly increased since 2006, adding more park space managed by homeowner associations (HOAs). HOAs provide a variety of park facilities from pool and tennis to open space and trail systems. Although these neighborhood-type facilities are not available to all residents, they do supplement the city’s park system. To account for their limited access, private and semi-private parks are calculated at 25% of their total acreage. The 2006 Parks Master Plan utilized a similar calculation.
Including county parks along with 25% of private and semi-private park acreage provides a more comprehensive summary of existing park acreage, by type, available to residents. The acreage totals in the chart below will be utilized to determine current and future level-of-service.

### PRIVATE AND SEMI-PRIVATE PARK FACILITIES

<table>
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<th>Facility</th>
<th>Park Type</th>
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<th>25% Acres</th>
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<tr>
<td>Homeowner Association Parks</td>
<td>Neighborhood</td>
<td>292.29</td>
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<td>Big League Dreams</td>
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<td>Beacon Lakes Golf Course</td>
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<td>Magnolia Creek Golf Course</td>
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<td>315.88</td>
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<td><strong>Total Acres</strong></td>
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<td><strong>746.53</strong></td>
<td><strong>186.63</strong></td>
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Updating existing park acreage to include county, private and semi-private parks is shown in the chart below. These calculations most accurately reflect the current park and greenspace available for League City residents. Including park space managed by other entities reduces the city’s overall park acreage deficit to 10.76 acres. Neighborhood and community parks still have a considerable shortfall while there is a surplus in regional, special use, and greenways acreage.

### TOTAL PARK ACREAGE (CITY + COUNTY + PRIVATE + SEMI-PRIVATE)

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<th>City Parks (Acres)</th>
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### LEAGUE CITY CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICE

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<th>Goal* (Acres)</th>
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*Based upon 2016 population of 99,547 and rounded to the nearest whole number

** Includes county acreage at 100% and semi-private and HOA facilities at 25%
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Utilizing population projections estimated from the US Census, American Community Survey, PCensus, and CDS (Community Development Strategies), the city can begin to anticipate park and greenspace needs over the next 20 years. Today the city is experiencing a slight deficit in park acreage, but, left unchecked, the 20 year outlook would increase the deficit considerably, as shown in the chart below. By the year 2036, League City would need to acquire and develop an additional 669.76 acres of park land to meet park acreage level-of-service goals.

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**Based upon existing population of 99,547
***Based upon projected 2036 population of 143,588

Assuming standard park sizes per type, the chart below indicates the quantity of parks League City would need to develop over the next 20 years to satisfy level-of-service standards developed by the city for the 2006 Parks Master Plan. Fifteen acres were used for neighborhood parks (although League City’s existing neighborhood parks are much smaller), 50 acres were used for community parks, and 100 acres for regional parks. Special use parks and greenways do not have standard or preferred sizes, and, therefore, no facilities are proposed. Future greenways and trail connections are discussed further in the recommendations chapter.

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<th>PARK LAND ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT (IMMEDIATE AND FUTURE)***</th>
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ASSESSING LEVEL-OF-SERVICE PER PLANNING ZONE

The previous charts assess level of park service city-wide. In order to more strategically plan for future park and recreational facilities, planning zones were established in the 2006 Parks Master Plan as shown on the map on page 4. The following chart represents existing level-of-service for neighborhood and community-type parks per planning zone compared to League City’s goal based upon 15 acres per 1,000 residents. Regional and special-use parks are not included due to their unique level-of-service radius and because they typically serve the entire city, rather than specific areas.

### PLANNING ZONES - EXISTING LEVEL OF SERVICE*

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<td>3 Acres</td>
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<td>5 Acres</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>8 Acres</td>
<td>0.76</td>
<td>226.87</td>
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*Includes county park acreage at 100% and private and semi-private parks at 25%

**Based upon 2016 population of 99,547

As the chart above indicates, very few planning zones currently provide adequate park level-of-service for Neighborhood and Community Parks. The charts below assess each zone individually and provide the estimated quantity of parks required today and over the next 20 years in order to properly plan for future park development. Current and projected populations are based upon a review of data from the US Census, American Community Survey, PCensus, and CDS Community Development Strategies.

### PLANNING ZONE A - Current And Projected Park Needs

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<th>Parks Required 2016</th>
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<td>Neighborhood</td>
<td>3 Acres</td>
<td>0.76</td>
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**Based upon 2016 population of 1,051 and projected 2036 population of 143,588
## PLANNING ZONE B - Current And Projected Park Needs

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<th>Park Facility</th>
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<th>Parks Required 2016</th>
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**Based upon 2016 population of 1,051 and projected 2036 population of 143,588

## PLANNING ZONE C - Current And Projected Park Needs

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<th>Parks Required 2016</th>
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**Based upon 2016 population of 27,527 and projected 2036 population of 143,588

## PLANNING ZONE D - Current And Projected Park Needs

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<td>46.60</td>
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<td>334.85</td>
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*Includes county park acreage at 100% and private and semi-private parks at 25%

**Based upon 2016 population of 35,959 and projected 2036 population of 143,588
ACCESS TO PARKS

Another method for assessing level-of-service includes reviewing how accessible parks are to residents using service areas assigned per park type. In the 2006 Parks Master Plan, League City established unique level-of-service area radii as shown in the adjacent chart.

Existing city and county parks are represented on the map below with their associated level-of-service areas. Service areas for both regional and special-use parks extend well beyond city limits, which is shown on the inset. Private and semi-private facilities are not depicted on this overall map, but are shown on individual park type maps on the following pages. Applying these service areas to existing park facilities quickly identifies gaps in service per-park-type. These gap areas provide desirable locations for developing additional parks. The city can also increase accessibility to parks and greenspace by continuing to develop bike and pedestrian trail connections from existing parks to neighborhoods and other popular destinations.

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<th>Park Facility</th>
<th>Service Area (Radius)</th>
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<td>20 MILES</td>
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<td>Special Use</td>
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PARK SERVICE AREA

LEGEND
- NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS - 1/2 MILE
- COMMUNITY PARKS - 3 MILES
- SPECIAL USE PARKS - 8 MILES
- REGIONAL PARKS - 20 MILES
- COUNTY PARKS
- CITY PARKS
- WATER
- EXISTING TRAILS
- EXISTING PADDLE TRAIL
- LEAGUE CITY BOUNDARY
NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

There are 8 existing neighborhood parks in League City including two undeveloped parks and Elva Lobit Park which is owned and operated by Galveston County. There are also additional parks owned and operated by homeowner associations (HOAs) as listed below.

- Bayridge Park
- Ghirardi Family Water Smart Park
- Heritage Park
- League Park
- Newport Park
- Rustic Oaks Park
- Westover Park (undeveloped)
- Elva Lobit Park (Galveston County)

The following homeowner associations provide park space to their residents within League City:

- Austin Park
- Bay Colony Pointe
- Bay Colony Pointe West
- Bay Ridge
- Bay View
- Bayou Brae
- Britanny Bay
- Britanny Lakes
- Cedar Landing
- Centerfield at Bay Colony
- Centerpointe
- Claremont Park
- Clear Creek Village
- Compass Rose
- Countryside
- Creekside Estates
- Cypress Bay
- Dove Meadows
- Estates at Marina Del Sol
- Glen Cove
- Greenridge
- Harbour Park
- Hidden Lakes
- Hidden Oaks
- Leisure Lakes
- Magnolia Creek
- Magnolia Estates
- MarBella
- Marina Bay Park
- Meadow Bend
- Oak Creek
- Oaks of Clear Creek
- Palm Cove
- Park on Clear Creek
- Park on Egret Bay
- Peninsula at Clear Lake
- Rustic Oaks
- Sedona
- Shore Lake Estates
- South Shore Harbour
- The Landing
- The Township
- Tuscan Lakes
- Twin Oaks
- Victory Lakes
- Village of Tuscan Lakes
- Villages of Oak Creek Colony
- Waterford Oaks
- Westover Park
- Westwood
- Whispering Lakes Ranch
- Wilshire Place
COMMUNITY PARKS

There are six existing community parks in League City including three undeveloped parks and Walter Hall Park which is owned and operated by Galveston County.

- Hometown Heroes Park
- Lynn Gripon Park at Countryside
- Kilgore Tract (undeveloped)
- Myrtle Park (undeveloped)
- Dick Benoit Prairie Preserve (undeveloped)
- Walter Hall Park (Galveston County)
REGIONAL PARKS
There are three existing regional parks in League City including one undeveloped park and Challenger Seven Memorial Park which is owned and operated by Harris County.

- Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center
- Bay Colony West (undeveloped)
- Challenger Seven Memorial Park (Harris County)
SPECIAL USE PARKS

There are seven existing special use parks in League City including two semi-private golf courses and Big League Dreams which provides fields and other recreational facilities for leagues.

- City Pool
- City Boat Ramp
- Chester L. Davis Sportsplex
- Helen’s Garden
- Big League Dreams
- Beacon Lakes Golf Course
- Magnolia Creek Golf Course
NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The National Recreation & Park Association also provides recommended standards for facility types. These standards are older and do not provide recommendations for recently made popular facilities, such as skate parks and dog parks, but it provides a good starting point to compare to current local demands. The chart below indicates these standards and how League City measures up. Although many parks in League City offer ball fields and sports facilities, Hometown Heroes Park is the only one that contains an actual recreation center, complete with indoor, multi-use gym space and programming. The park also contains one of only two city pools but is not indoor, has limited competition ability, and does not provide leisure aquatics which have become very popular in recent years. Other requests include additional fitness facilities, a pickleball court, an ice rink, cable park, amphitheater, more sports fields, including lacrosse, community gardens, and splash pads.

### FACILITY ASSESSMENT PER NRPA STANDARDS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Activity/Facility</th>
<th>NRPA Recommended Facilities per Population</th>
<th>Existing Facilities in League City</th>
<th>Recommended* Facilities for 2017</th>
<th>2017 Surplus/Deficit</th>
<th>Recommended** Facilities for 2040</th>
<th>2040 Surplus/Deficit</th>
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<tr>
<td>Amphitheater</td>
<td>1 per 50,000</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>-2</td>
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<td>-3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Baseball Fields</td>
<td>1 per 7,000</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>-7</td>
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<tr>
<td>Basketball Courts</td>
<td>1 per 4,000</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>-12</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>-23</td>
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<tr>
<td>Boat/Kayak Launch</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td>Fishing Pier</td>
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<td>Football Fields</td>
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<td>+10</td>
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<td>Golf Course</td>
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<td>Jogging Track</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>+2</td>
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<td>0</td>
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<td>Picnic Pavilion (200 person of larger)</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>+8</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>+6</td>
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<td>Playgrounds (Tot)</td>
<td>1 area per 3,000</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>-29</td>
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<td>-44</td>
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<td>Playgrounds (Child)</td>
<td>1 area per 3,000</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>-18</td>
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<tr>
<td>Recreation Center</td>
<td>1 sf per person</td>
<td>32,255</td>
<td>99,547</td>
<td>-67,292</td>
<td>143,588</td>
<td>-111,333</td>
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<td>Soccer Fields</td>
<td>1 per 7,500</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>+4</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>-2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Swimming Pools (community)</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>-3</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>-5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Swimming Pools (family aquatics)</td>
<td>1 per 50,000</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>-2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>-3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tennis Courts</td>
<td>1 court per 4,000</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>-23</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>-34</td>
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<td>Trails (hard)</td>
<td>1 mile per 4,000</td>
<td>17 miles</td>
<td>25 miles</td>
<td>-8 miles</td>
<td>36 miles</td>
<td>-19 miles</td>
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<tr>
<td>Volleyball Courts</td>
<td>1 per 7,000</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>-3</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>-10</td>
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*Based upon existing population of 99,547
**Based upon projected 2036 population of 143,588
DEMAND BASED NEEDS ASSESSMENT

One of the most important methods for reviewing current and future needs is to solicit input from residents and stakeholders. Multiple formats were utilized in order to obtain as much feedback as possible, including small focus group and stakeholder meetings, large public meetings and an online survey.

FOCUS GROUPS

The consultant team, along with Parks and Recreation Department staff, met with special interest groups and performed a SWOT analysis, which is a method for reviewing the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats of the city’s current park system. Each group met for an hour to discuss their ideas for enhancing park facilities. A summary of their SWOT analysis is provided below.

<table>
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<th>FOCUS GROUP</th>
<th>COMMENTS</th>
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| Parks Board/4B     | • Praised well maintained park facilities, good balance of active and passive recreation, activities for all age groups, a new pool facility, and trails.  
                    • Would like to see park enhancements and an expansion of park facilities on west side, as well as additional stakeholder involvement. They stated that funding availability was a threat. |
| Football           | • Enjoys large growing interest in the football organization but experiences competition from surrounding cities.  
                    • Desire for west side facility, as well as updated and additional restroom facilities, more parking and seating at fields, better field drainage, more lit fields, and committed fields for each sport. |
| Baseball           | • Appreciates low entrance fee and partnership with city but currently at maximum capacity.  
                    • Challenge to schedule field use due to conflicts and would like to see improved field drainage and sprinkler systems. |
| Swim               | • Growing participation and interest in the organization of club water polo although pools currently do not meet regulation sizes needed to hold meets.  
                    • Organization would like to have restroom updates and a new heater for City Pool, additional storage, a P.A. system at Hometown Heroes, professional grade cover, and new shade structures. |
| Soccer             | • Enjoys high enrollment, and currently at maximum capacity which requires additional field use.  
                    • Requests additional, dedicated fields to reduce scheduling conflicts with other sports. May be able to use other city acreage for practice and day games, such as detention facilities, as a temporary solution. |
PUBLIC MEETINGS
In order to accommodate League City’s growing population, two public meetings were held on the east and west sides of the city. On May 11, 2017, the west side meeting was held at Creekside Intermediate School, and on May 18, 2017, the east side meeting was held at Clear Creek Intermediate School to provide an overview of existing facilities and solicit input from residents and stakeholders. After the formal presentation, participants were asked to provide input utilizing existing parks maps. Common themes included desires for more connected trail systems, a better skate park, a dog park, and more park facilities on the west side of League City.

PUBLIC SURVEY
A survey was also used to obtain public feedback. The 31 question survey was developed using the 2005 parks survey as a starting point and was available to the public for 11 months. The survey was provided online and advertised through the city’s webpage, social media pages, and the quarterly news publication. Hard copies of the survey were distributed at Helen Hall Library, City Hall, and Hometown Heroes Park. A total of 2,398 people took the survey and a summary of their responses are provided below. A complete summary of the survey as well as the survey instrument are provided in the appendix.

SURVEY RESPONSE DEMOGRAPHICS
Survey responses were collected over an 11-month period, with the majority of the responses provided online. Written responses were manually added to the online instrument in order to analyze the results. Demographic questions were included at the end of the survey in order to provide a filtered analysis to specific questions. As shown in the chart below, the survey sample is over-represented by the age group between 25 and 54 compared to the 2015 Census and under-represented by youth. This may be due to the fact that many parents took the survey as the representative of their household. Female responses were over-represented, as well, at 61.2% versus 38.8% male responses. Family households responded with more frequency than single persons and white (non Hispanic or Latino) were over-represented while Hispanic or Latino and black/African American were significantly under-represented.

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<th>Age Distribution Comparison</th>
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<td><strong>Survey Respondents</strong></td>
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<td>Age Group</td>
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<td>Under 18</td>
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<td>18 - 24</td>
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<td>25 - 34</td>
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<td>35 - 44</td>
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<td>55 - 64</td>
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<td>65 or older</td>
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RESPONDENTS LOCATION

In order to determine where respondents live and work or attend school, the planning zone map established in the 2006 Parks Master Plan was utilized. 87.7% of respondents live or work within the League City limits while the remainder indicated they live outside the city, within nearby municipalities, including Friendswood, Dickinson, Clear Lake, Seabrook, Bay Oaks, Pearland, and Webster. The responses per sector roughly follow the population shares of each, as shown on the chart below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>Q1 Where do You Live in LC?</th>
<th>Estimated Share of Population</th>
<th>Q3 Work or School in LC?</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sector A</td>
<td>6.4%</td>
<td>1.1%</td>
<td>2.1%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sector B</td>
<td>31.8%</td>
<td>35.2%</td>
<td>10.7%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sector C</td>
<td>18.6%</td>
<td>27.7%</td>
<td>12.8%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sector D</td>
<td>30.9%</td>
<td>36.1%</td>
<td>13.5%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Does not live (Q1), go to work/school (Q3) in LC</td>
<td>12.3%</td>
<td>36.1%</td>
<td>60.9%</td>
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Survey participants were also asked how long they had resided within League City. The continual growth of the region creates a unique opportunity to balance both the expectations of newcomers while preserving the memories of the longtime residents. Respondents were fairly distributed between one and more than 20 years. Participants who did not live in League City were asked to provide their home zip code. 12.3% of respondents do not live in League City, compared to 60.9% who do not work there. This percentage is common in bedroom-type communities like League City.

<table>
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<th>Length of Time</th>
<th>% Share</th>
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<td>Less than one year</td>
<td>5.6%</td>
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<td>1 - 5 years</td>
<td>24.6%</td>
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<td>6 - 10 years</td>
<td>20.8%</td>
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<tr>
<td>11 - 20 years</td>
<td>24.9%</td>
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<td>More than 20 years</td>
<td>24.0%</td>
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<tr>
<th>ZIP Code</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th># Respondents</th>
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<td>77546</td>
<td>Friendswood</td>
<td>29</td>
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<td>77539</td>
<td>Dickinson</td>
<td>22</td>
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<td>77058</td>
<td>NASA</td>
<td>19</td>
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<td>77062</td>
<td>Clear Lake</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>77586</td>
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<td>16</td>
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<td>77059</td>
<td>Bay Oaks</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>77573</td>
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<td>11</td>
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<td>77584</td>
<td>Pearland</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>77598</td>
<td>Webster</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>All others</td>
<td></td>
<td>148</td>
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PARK USAGE, FREQUENCY AND SATISFACTION

The survey included some general questions regarding their overall perception of League City’s existing park and recreational facilities. Respondents were asked how well park facility types meet the needs of the community. Parks were rated highly while trails were the overall lowest for meeting community needs.

Respondents were also given a list of each of League City parks and trails as well as the county park facilities and asked to provide the frequency of use during the year. A vast majority of parks are very rarely visited, however the chart below shows the top facilities that are generally visited at least once per month by over 10% of respondents. The chart also breaks out responses by age group which indicates that generally each group visits these parks equally, although respondents over the age of 55 visit Challenger Park and the Sportsplex less frequently.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Park Name</th>
<th>All Respondents</th>
<th>HH with Children Aged 2-5</th>
<th>HH with Children Aged 6-17</th>
<th>Respondent Aged 55+</th>
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<td>Chester L. Davis Sportsplex</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Challenger Park</td>
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<td>Hike &amp; Bike Trails</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>X</td>
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<td>Hometown Heroes Park</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>League Park</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Walter Hall Park (county park)</td>
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<td>X</td>
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</table>
Hike and bike trails and Hometown Heroes Park are consistently the most visited facilities. Respondents with school-aged children in the household reported more visits to parks with athletic fields and facilities, including Hometown Heroes Park and the Chester L. Davis Sportsplex. League Park and Walter Hall Park are also frequently visited, but less than 20% of respondents visit each of these parks per month. Overall, Challenger Park is the least visited park, with less than 10% of respondents visiting the park once per month. The most common visitors to this park are households with young and school-aged children.
Respondents were then asked to provide reasons they do not visit parks more frequently. Standard responses were provided and ranged from inaccessibility to a lack of interest. Top responses included a lack of awareness of available facilities (44%) and the utilization of other parks not listed (43%), and inaccessibility (35%). The 2005 survey also indicated a lack of knowledge of facilities and should continue to be at the top of the city’s list for future communication initiatives. In the open-ended answer section, respondents indicated a strong need for better accessibility, including comments such as, “I want a trail close so we don’t have to drive,” and, “There aren’t enough trails.”

What keeps respondents from visiting parks?

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<th>Reason</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<tr>
<td>Inaccessible / too far / can’t walk or bike there</td>
<td>45%</td>
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<td>Don’t have the facilities I want</td>
<td>22%</td>
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<td>Facilities are in poor condition / insufficient maintenance</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<td>I don’t feel safe</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<td>Not interested / too busy</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insufficient parking</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Too crowded</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<tr>
<td>I'm not aware of what facilities are available</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<tr>
<td>I instead use other parks around League City</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other (please describe)</td>
<td>3%</td>
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Questions were also provided specifically for trails including how residents currently use trails and what hinders them from using them more. Over 60% utilize trails for walking and over 50% use trails for some type of active exercise, including cycling and running/jogging. The top reason trails are not used more was lack of awareness.

Trail Usage within League City

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<th>Activity</th>
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<tr>
<td>Run / Jog</td>
<td>45%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cycling for leisure</td>
<td>35%</td>
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<tr>
<td>On-road cycling</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Off-road cycling</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Walking</td>
<td>10%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Horse riding</td>
<td>5%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Alternative to driving to a destination</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>I don’t use trails</td>
<td>3%</td>
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NEEDS ASSESSMENT

PARK MAINTENANCE

Respondents were then asked to consider maintenance and the physical condition of each of the park and trail facilities. The majority of parks received a "don't know" response, most likely due to the respondent's lack of familiarity with the facilities. Of the city-owned parks, Helen's Garden and Hometown Heroes were notable for their strong satisfaction ratings. Hike and bike trails were given the lowest satisfaction rating citing excessive trash and lack of pet waste stations. In 2006, trails and bike lanes also had the lowest satisfaction with maintenance. The previous parks survey in 2006 included two questions regarding the satisfaction of the city park and recreation facilities, but did not list each park facility as the 2017 survey does. Written comments included, "Overall the parks are well kept, which is important," and "There needs to be more shaded areas and easier bathroom access."

How satisfied are you with League City Parks?

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<th>Park</th>
<th>Average Rating</th>
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<tr>
<td>Bayridge Park</td>
<td>0.49</td>
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<td>Boat Ramp at FM 270</td>
<td>0.65</td>
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<tr>
<td>Municipal Pool (Walker Street)</td>
<td>0.56</td>
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<td>Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center</td>
<td>0.94</td>
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<td>Lynn Gropen Park at Countryside</td>
<td>0.85</td>
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<td>Ghirardi Family WaterSmart Park</td>
<td>1.14</td>
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<td>Helen's Garden</td>
<td>1.39</td>
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<td>Heritage Park</td>
<td>1.05</td>
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<td>Hike and Bike Trails</td>
<td>0.51</td>
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<td>Hometown Heroes Park</td>
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<td>1.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ned &amp; Fay Duddy Clear Creek Nature Center</td>
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<tr>
<td>Newport Park</td>
<td>0.39</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rustic Oaks Park</td>
<td>0.86</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chester L. Davis Sportsplex</td>
<td>1.02</td>
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<td>Skate Park @ Big League Dreams</td>
<td>0.78</td>
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<tr>
<td>Magnolia Creek Linear Park</td>
<td>0.86</td>
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<tr>
<td>Challenger Park (County park)</td>
<td>0.96</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lobit Park (County park)</td>
<td>0.27</td>
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<td>Walter Hall Park (County park)</td>
<td>0.90</td>
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- Not at All Satisfied
- Not Very Satisfied
- Somewhat Satisfied
- Mostly Satisfied
- Completely Satisfied
- Don't know
RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING

In order to understand the types of activities respondents currently participate in within city parks and recreation facilities, the survey listed multiple types of recreational activities providing options for different age groups and programs. Special event programming is highly popular, at 60% of respondents. Other popular activities include youth sports (more than 40%), aquatics/swim lessons (more than 20%), and youth programming (20%). The lowest participation rates according to the survey included senior and adult programs. The top reason for not participating more frequently in recreational programs offered by League City was a lack of awareness. Unfamiliarity with the facilities and programs the city has to offer its residents is a reoccurring theme throughout the survey.

Participation in Recreation Programs

Reasons for not participating in Recreation Programs
FUTURE PROJECT PRIORITIZATION

Several survey questions explored the public’s desire for future park and recreation related projects. The first presented a list of potential park and trail facility projects and asked the respondent to rate the priority of each for resource allocation by the city. In tabulation, priority ratings were assigned to values ranging for -1 (“Opposed”) to +2 (“Very Important”), with no value assigned for “Uncertain.” The average rating for each project is shown to the right in the chart below. According to the respondents, the top priorities were large parks for passive uses, off-street paths, wildlife habitat preservation areas, and historic site preservations/museums. Low prioritization was given to an indoor soccer facility and a skateboard/in-line skate park.

Priority of Potential Park and Trail Projects
The 2005 survey also asked specifically for respondents interest in projects along Clear Creek. For comparison purposes this question was repeated in the 2017 survey. Results were similar to the previous survey, citing off-street paths and wildlife habitat preservation as top priorities. Open responses indicated an interest in trails and passive park space along the Creek, extension of the paddle trail, and also several respondents requested a wake park.

What topics are most important to you regarding Clear Creek?

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Several questions also related to how close parks and trails should be located to residential areas. Current development regulations require HOA-type parks to be located within a 1/2 mile of every resident. Over half of survey respondents desired neighborhood type parks to be located within a 10 minute walk of their home and a five minute bike ride. Respondents also indicated a preference for open space to be located within a 15-minute walk and bike ride from their home.

Maximum Walking/Biking Time to Open Space
Since the 2010 Trails Master Plan, League City has constructed several miles of additional pedestrian and bike routes. In order to gauge the success of existing trails and determine whether they should continue to be a future priority, respondents were asked to provide a priority for trail connections and destinations.

High priority was still given to walking and biking access to neighborhood parks. Of all potential trail destinations provided, respondents still gave preference to park and recreational facilities while work places were given a low priority. Open responses indicate a desire for completing gaps in existing trail systems and also repairing damaged walks/trails. Several comments also requested trail connections to adjacent cities to develop a more comprehensive network.

What destination should trails connect to?
In order to attain the level-of-service goals established in the previous parks plan, park land would need to be acquired. Survey respondents were provided a list of options for land acquisition and asked to provide their level of importance. As shown below, preference was given to future trail corridors and drainage facilities while land acquisition for future sports complexes rated overall least important. These preferences were similar to the 2005 survey.

Respondents were also asked to provide their preference for funding future park and recreation facilities. Over 75% of respondents preferred a re-allocation of other public spending sources while only 29% indicated they would entertain an increase in local taxes to fund these types of projects.
NEEDS ASSESSMENT

As indicated in the inventory chapter, parks and open space owned and maintained by private and semi-private entities provide recreational opportunities for many League City residents. Respondents were asked specifically if they reside within a community managed through a homeowner association (HOA) and whether or not they utilize HOA provided park facilities. 84.1% of respondents indicated they live within an HOA. As shown on the chart below, only 71.6% actually utilize HOA park facilities. Under 10% choose not to use facilities, while over 18% indicated their HOA does not provide recreational facilities or only has undeveloped open space.

Does HOA Provide Park and Recreation Facilities?

TRENDS

Recreational trends periodically shift at a global, national and local level. Cultural shifts such as generational behaviors and access to technology have also effected how people choose to recreate. National and regional trends have been compared to feedback provided in free-response questions in the public survey below.

PRESERVATION

The preservation of open space and environmentally sensitive areas has continued to be an important aspect in community development. Exploding growth and urban/suburban expansion has created a larger gap between nature and people. Where once open fields and forests were accessible and part of a larger community, development has pushed these assets to the periphery. The 2006 parks survey indicated a strong desire for preserving and protecting open space, especially environmentally sensitive areas along the Clear Creek corridor. Comments in the 2017 survey indicated a desire for more habitat and wildlife protection, protection of the natural ecosystem especially along creek areas, preservation of existing tree canopy, and legacy trees, and additional trail connections to scenic, natural areas.
OUTDOOR RECREATION TRENDS
As national culture becomes driven by instant-gratification, people choose to recreate when they want and how they want. Passive type recreation has continued to gain popularity over the last few decades coupled with desire for larger open spaces and preservation of natural areas. Trails continue to be at the top of facility requests indicated by public survey respondents throughout Texas and the nation. Both League City’s 2005 and 2017 surveys support the desire for more trail connections for pedestrian and bicycle use. National active outdoor recreation trends show a continued increase in participation in soccer leagues and a recent interest in lacrosse. Softball and youth football have shown decreases in the last 10 years but continue to be popular. The Chester L. Davis Sportsplex is a popular destination for League City residents and a desire for additional facilities, especially on the west side, was indicated on the public survey. Additional aquatic facilities were requested, including a larger pool that could accommodate competitions as well as leisure type facilities.

INDOOR RECREATION TRENDS
Multiple small community centers have become difficult to staff and maintain, causing a significant shift in the way cities are providing indoor recreational facilities. Larger, more diverse facilities can serve entire communities from a centralized location offering a variety of sports and special programming, such as senior and youth classes. Hometown Heroes Park, built in 2012, is very popular with city residents, especially those with youth and children. Survey requests included better trail connectivity to the park, an indoor pool, and additional restrooms for outdoor activities, as well as better advertisement regarding the types of programming offered.

RESOURCE BASED NEEDS ASSESSMENT
League City enjoys multiple natural resources that enhance its park and recreation system and enrich quality of life. Historical and cultural elements unique to League City are also sources of pride for residents. Taking advantage of these resources may provide opportunities for additional park, trails, and open space development as explored below.

WATERWAYS
The northern boundary of League City primarily follows Clear Creek and Clear Lake while the city’s eastern boundary is less than a 1/2 mile from Galveston Bay. Water plays an important role not only in the hydraulics and sophisticated drainage systems but also is a major component to how residents recreate. A 6.5-mile paddle trail was developed in 2012, through a partnership between League City and Galveston County. Extending the paddle trail is a popular request from residents.

Flat topography and high annual rainfall requires development that includes careful manipulation of the land, large detention basins and channel systems to ensure proper drainage. Developing these systems into linear greenways complete with trails and park space is a great way to enhance existing infrastructure as usable space. Much of the land surrounding Clear Creek and Dickinson
NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Bayou are considered within the 100 year floodplain which is generally unsuitable for development. The preservation and protection of these lands is critical to existing ecosystems. Providing access to these areas, such as the Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center, allows League City residents a more intimate view of natural surroundings.

UNDEVELOPED LAND
Discussed in the 2006 Parks Master Plan, the southwest region (planning Zone A) of League City still remains primarily rural. This region will most likely experience the greatest population growth over the next 20 years, estimated to increase from just over 1,000 people to over 30,000. It is important that League City considers new development, especially in this zone, when considering any policy changes that would affect how parklands are acquired. Ensuring park space and recreational opportunities continue to be provided to residents at current or better standards is critical to maintaining League City’s overall vision and quality of life.

TREE COVERAGE
Trees are a source of civic pride and significant historical value in League City. The city’s official seal is a large oak tree, and the League City Historical Society maintains a Live Oak Tree Registry. The famous century old Butler Oaks along FM 518 were said to have been planted by three of the city’s founding families and are considered the city’s most historical landmark. In 2011, the widening of Louisiana Avenue threatened to remove a hundred year old, 135” caliper Live Oak. This tree, now known as the Ghirardi Compton Oak, was saved and relocated to the Ghirardi WaterSmart Park and continues to be a model of League City’s legacy. A common request in the 2017 public survey was the continuing preservation of trees and planting more trees for shade along trail systems.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE
Many families of the early pioneer settlers still reside in League City. Muldoon, Butler, Coward and Perkin names are seen throughout the City as street names, schools, bayous, and civic buildings. The Historic District is a centrally located overlay district within League City’s downtown area with special zoning and architectural guidelines. League Park, Heritage Park and Helen’s Garden are located within the Historic District, as well as the Butler Longhorn Museum and the West Bay Common School Children’s Museum. Forty-three historic sites as well as seven majestic century old oaks are also located within this historic area.
5 Recommendations
A CITY OF "GREAT PLACES"

League City has experienced significant population growth over the last 20 years. Projecting nearly 150,000 residents by the year 2036, providing dynamic recreation space that is available to all residents is critical for maintaining a high quality of life within League City. The League City Comprehensive Plan 2035, adopted in 2013, identified three guiding principles for future development including creating a city of "Great Places." The plan recommended a vibrant and walkable city with memorable destinations, unique to League City, highlighting the important role of parks, trails, and open spaces in the overall identity of a community.

Considering the city’s current park land inventory, along with the need to increase park access for its growing population while reviewing public input for desirable future park space, the following goals or targets have been established for park, trail, and open space development over the next 20 years.

TARGET #1 - Preserve and Enhance Natural Areas

- Maintain environmentally-sensitive areas in natural state through land acquisition and by limiting mitigation
- Increase access and low impact use of natural areas
- Explore opportunities to create natural areas, including wetlands, prairies and rain gardens in lieu of traditional development
- Consider more aggressive methods to preservation, including land trusts and conservation easements
- Preserve/protect existing tree coverage, especially of heritage trees including Butler Oaks
- Pursue partnerships with landowners to expand access to Clear Creek and Clear Lake, including expansion of the paddle trail
- Prioritize low-impact development of Kilgore and Myrtle Parks to provide public access
- Develop trail corridors along drainage corridors with viewsheds to unique natural areas

TARGET #2 - Develop “Great Places”

- Prioritize park development that is unique, dynamic and memorable and aligns with "League City Style"
- Integrate elements of League City’s history and culture into park spaces
- Increase land acquisition efforts for park space, especially in underserved areas
• Concentrate on the development of larger, flexible, multi-use park space suitable for accommodating growing population for city-wide events, markets, and festivals
• Continue to explore host opportunities for national/regional tournaments and events
• Incorporate distinctive landmarks, including unique architecture, art, and water features into public spaces

TARGET #3 - Increase Recreational Opportunities
• Provide a balanced system of active and passive recreation that is evenly distributed throughout the city
• Explore joint-use partnerships for recreational facilities, including county, schools, private landowners, etc.
• Prioritize development of large acreage, community-type parks, including sports fields and aquatic facilities
• Develop sports complex on west side of city with access to major thoroughfare
• Expand programming opportunities by developing additional community center on west side of city.

TARGET #4 - Improve Connectivity
• Explore expansion of paddle trail and develop trail network along connecting drainage infrastructure
• Improve pedestrian safety by installing crosswalks and signalization
• Construct wide multi-user trails that connect major destinations, including parks, civic buildings, retail, schools, and residential areas
• Ensure linkages between new and existing development by completing trail gaps on undeveloped parcels
• Develop wayfinding signage and incorporate throughout the city
• Utilize public/private utility easements and drainage ways as off-road trail corridors
• Develop signature trail corridors by incorporating signage, artwork, and educational elements
These four targets outline the proposed vision for addressing League City’s need for increased and improved park, trail, and open space facilities over the next 20 years. In order to obtain these goals, League City needs to aggressively increase accessibility to parks at a rate equal to population growth, including increasing total park and open space acreage through land acquisition and creative partnerships, developing additional park facilities while upgrading and improving existing ones, and expanding the city’s trail network. Strategies for accomplishing these goals are explored in depth over the next few pages.

DEVELOPING NEW PARK LAND

Applying League City’s level-of-service goals per park type as shown on the chart on page 53, proposes an overall goal of 15 acres of park, greenways, and open space per 1,000 people. Today’s level-of-service is just under 15 acres per person, indicating that overall park acreage is adequate, although assessing acreage per park type indicates over an 100 acre deficit in neighborhood parks and nearly 200 acre deficit in community parks. Although current development trends typically include neighborhood park type facilities within master planned communities maintained by Home Owner Associations, community parks providing sports fields and larger aquatic facilities are generally left for development by cities or counties.

By 2036, the city is projected to gain an additional 44,000 people which would require the development of over 600 additional acres of park facilities in order to meet level-of-service goals. According to the chart on page 55, League City would need to develop an additional 16 neighborhood parks, 8 community parks and 1 regional park over the next 20 years in order to satisfy its level-of-service goals.

To determine where future park facilities should be developed, existing population and projected future growth were assessed per planning zone (refer to the charts on pages 56-57). The previous parks master plan recommended that all residents live within a 1/2-mile distance from parks or open space, therefore the following maps illustrate existing parks utilizing a 1/2-mile level-of-service radii to clearly identify gaps in service. Each of the maps show general areas for recommended future neighborhood and community park development. There are many methods to increasing the number of park, trail, and open space facilities in League City, such as land acquisition and through creative partnerships with other entities that provide park space. Each of these options are explored on the following pages.
FUTURE PARK DEVELOPMENT - NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

LEGEND
- IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK DEVELOPMENT
- FUTURE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK DEVELOPMENT
- 1/2 MILE RADIUS - NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS
- 1/2 MILE RADIUS - OTHER PARKS
- NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS (PUBLIC AND PRIVATE)
- OTHER PARKS
- WATER
- --- LEAGUE CITY BOUNDARY

FUTURE PARK DEVELOPMENT - COMMUNITY PARKS

LEGEND
- IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY PARK DEVELOPMENT
- FUTURE COMMUNITY PARK DEVELOPMENT
- 1/2 MILE RADIUS - COMMUNITY PARKS
- 1/2 MILE RADIUS - OTHER PARKS
- COMMUNITY PARKS
- OTHER PARKS
- WATER
- --- LEAGUE CITY BOUNDARY
LAND ACQUISITION

The development of new park facilities will ultimately require the acquisition of additional land for future recreational purposes. Land banking is an important growth strategy, especially for rapidly developing areas such as League City. In order to address future growth, the city should encourage developers to provide sufficient neighborhood park acreage with typical amenities such as pools, playgrounds and tennis courts. The city will also need to explore agreements with developers to acquire larger tracts of land for community parks. Community parks should be no smaller than 15 acres and preferably around 50 acres to accommodate multiple recreational facilities, such as sports fields, pools, and community centers. They should also be located with optimal access to major thoroughfares, such as the future Grand Parkway shown as a dashed line on the adjacent maps, in order to facilitate high volumes of traffic during sports events.

In areas of the city where undeveloped parcels are not as readily available, new park acreage could result from the redevelopment of existing city properties or through creative multi-use opportunities. There are approximately 60 acres of city-owned and 100 acres of privately owned detention facilities, including both wet and dry bottomed as well as multiple miles of drainage channels. Although used for stormwater management, these areas can also serve as accessible open spaces. Installing trails, native plantings, and even playground and fitness equipment can provide much needed park space. There are also examples of park amenities installed within the bottom of dry detention basins, such as sports fields and playground equipment. Careful design consideration should be taken when incorporating park facilities within these detention areas to ensure proper drainage and understand maintenance expectations.

DETENTION BASINS
SHARED USE FACILITIES

Another method for expanding League City’s recreational opportunities is to partner with other entities that currently own and maintain park facilities. Educational and religious organizations, as well as non-profit and other special interest groups, generally own parks or open spaces and may provide recreational facilities or programming to their members. Three public school districts are located within League City. Clear Creek ISD which serves the majority of city residents, while southern areas of the city are served by Dickinson ISD which has two school facilities in League City, and Santa Fe ISD which has no school facilities in League City yet. School properties typically include recreational facilities including playgrounds and ballfields which may be used by the public after hours. Both Clear Creek and Dickinson ISDs allow public use of their facilities after hours and when no school functions are scheduled. A nominal fee is charged for users to cover utility and maintenance costs. The map below indicates school district boundaries as well as locations of elementary, intermediate, and high schools. League City could also provide funding assistance for recreational facilities at school locations with undeveloped open space. The development and/or use of sports fields which are typically located at intermediate and high schools, could offset League City’s need for developing multiple additional community parks.
INCREASING RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Comparing the existing facility types and quantities for League City to national standards, while also taking into consideration current recreational trends and feedback obtained from the public survey and focus groups, has identified key facility types that should be considered for future park development. These facilities could be incorporated into existing developed parks or considered for development of future parks.

ACTIVE RECREATION

- Additional age appropriate playgrounds
- BMX and/or mountain bike course
- 1 - 2 additional recreation centers - priority is west side
- Splash pads - centrally located
- Leisure pool, lazy river, and family aquatics
- Indoor pool facility
- Larger pool that can accommodate water polo and competition level swim meets
- Additional sports fields that are dedicated to each sport, preferably with lighting
- Additional skate park
- Additional tennis courts - preferably with lighting
- Additional volleyball courts
- Lacrosse field
- Pickleball courts
- Outdoor and/or indoor fitness facilities
- Cable park
- Ice rink
- West side sports complex

PASSIVE RECREATION

- Natural playground
- Outdoor classrooms
- Performance area or amphitheaters
- Community gardens
- Additional trails, especially connecting to parks
- Preservation and accessibility of natural areas, especially near Clear Creek

Recommendations for developing some of these facilities, as well as others, are included within specific park recommendations on the following pages.
RECOMMENDATIONS

IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING PARKS

The inventory chapter of this plan provides an overview of the existing condition of each park owned and maintained by League City. Opportunities for improving existing parks are provided over the next several pages, organized by park type.

**BAYRIDGE PARK:**
- Replace or expand existing play equipment to provide for multiple ages and install shade cover
- Explore trail connections to future LC Parkway trail to the north and Mossman Elementary School to the south
- Install additional trees and landscaping to screen water plant
- Consider outdoor fitness stations and internal trails

**Community Remarks:** *
- “I live closest to Bayridge and this park is not given regular maintenance. In my opinion, it looks like the city doesn’t care... I never see anyone on the basketball court or baseball diamond.”
- “The entire area around us is building up and renovating but this park is still the same unsafe and unfriendly park around.”

**GHIRARDI FAMILY WATERSMART PARK:**
- Improve drainage in northwest area
- Consider incorporating a community garden on east side of park

**Community Remarks:** *
- “Many of the parks I bike or jog to don’t have bathrooms or water fountains. Both are needed. The Ghirardi Water Smart park is great because it does have these.”
- “We LOVE Ghirardi park play structure and learning about the plants/water/oaks.”

* Remarks are shown, as submitted on the public parks survey
RECOMMENDATIONS

HERITAGE PARK:
• Construct small parking lot on west side near playground
• Incorporate perimeter trail as well as connections to League Park
• Consider additional historical elements and educational programming
• Install additional picnic facilities

Community Remarks: *
• “We live close to Heritage Park and it meets our needs without venturing further. It is really a great park.”
• “Would like to get from my area (SSH) to Heritage Park or other parks by walking or biking.”

LEAGUE PARK:
• Explore expansion to the north
• Provide improved pedestrian connectivity
• Remove turtle ponds
• Update and refresh but maintain historic character

Community Remarks: *
• Would like to walk from League Park to the surrounding shops/restaurants safely (too much speeding & wrecks)”
• “I am in support of the new proposed ideas for the League Park (but) keeping a city basketball court in the area ... keeps a large group of League City residents engaged in something positive and productive.”

NEWPORT PARK:
• Improve existing baseball backstop into actual field
• Develop loop trail with fitness stations
• Install picnic facilities under existing shade trees
• Explore trail connections along existing channel

Community Remarks: *
• “Would like to see more resources put into the Newport Park, such as walking trail, baseball field, things for kids to enjoy and older adults to use.”
• “Grilling areas would be an idea for Newport Park. Also a water fountain, and splashpad would be a good upgrade.”

* Remarks are shown, as submitted on the public parks survey
RECOMMENDATIONS

RUSTIC OAKS PARK:
• Consider lighting of soccer field to encourage more use
• Install educational signage around pond
• Consider covered picnic areas near parking lot

Community Remarks: *
• "The soccer field at Rustic Oaks Park, which is rarely used for soccer games, has potential to be a dog park site...especially since it has a city hike and bike trail running through it."

HOMETOWN HEROES PARK:
• Construct trails along League City Parkway & Dickinson Avenue to connect to adjacent neighborhoods
• Construct 5K route within park and consider outdoor fitness stations
• Develop restroom facilities closer to sports fields
• Consider large amphitheater on central green
• Install toddler age playground equipment near sports fields and/or splashpad

Community Remarks: *
• "Hometown Heroes pool should be deeper so as to accommodate year round swim and water polo. It is too shallow!"

LYNN GRIPON PARK AT COUNTRYSIDE:
• Consider installation of community garden beds, covered picnic areas, and additional landscape within western parcel of park
• Install additional seating options at sports fields

Community Remarks: *
• "I believe that either Gripon or Walter Hall Parks could accommodate and support a dog park."
• "Would like to see an improved kayak launch than what's currently there."

* Remarks are shown, as submitted on the public parks survey
RECOMMENDATIONS

NED & FAY DUDNEY CLEAR CREEK NATURE CENTER:
- Expand and improve existing trails system
- Improve drainage in entry drive
- Install additional educational signage and develop additional programming

Community Remarks: *
- “The Ned and Fay Dudney Center needs to be safely accessible by walking and bicycling.”
- “Most LC parks don’t have long walking trails that are shaded or within a nature setting. I think we need more parks like the nature center.”

CITY POOL:
- Consider redeveloping pool to leisure aquatics once additional, larger competitive aquatic facilities are built
- Site could also be used for outdoor amphitheater/civic space

Community Remarks: *
- “Love our League City pool”

CITY BOAT RAMP:
- Renovate boat ramp to accommodate smaller, multiple vessels
- Repair and reinforce bulkhead
- Resurface parking lot and consider installation of permanent restroom facility
- Update public space surrounding dock to include shaded picnic areas

Community Remarks: *
- “270 boat ramp, docks need more cleats to tie off boats, pavement needs repair”

* Remarks are shown, as submitted on the public parks survey
CHESTER L. DAVIS SPORTSPLEX:

- City is currently installing a left turn lane on League City Parkway
- Update field lighting
- Lack of pedestrian/bicycle access to site
- Consider land acquisition on southeast side for additional access and more fields

Community Remarks:

- "The parking and traffic patterns at League City Sportsplex need attention."
- "Sportsplex is a great park, but increased traffic makes it difficult/time-consuming to reach by car. I would strongly support an additional entrance from Walker St. Hometown Heroes would benefit from some shaded seating areas."

HELEN’S GARDEN:

- Continue to explore options for additional parking
CONNECTIVITY

The first League City Trails Master Plan was developed in 2010, and was eagerly adopted by city council. The plan outlined over 200 miles of proposed trails within road right-of-ways, drainage corridors, and utility easements. The plan provided recommendations for standard materials and widths as well as guidance for wayfinding signage and trailheads. Four distinct themed zones were established along with signature trails. The city’s motto of “Live it. Love it. Hike it. Bike it.” was also established.

Since the 2010 plan, the city has aggressively pursued grant funding and allocated general funds to the development of new trails as well as the extension and repair of existing systems. In 2011, a 6.5-mile paddle trail was developed in partnership with Gavelston County. Kayak launches and signage were installed in Lynn Gripon Park at Countryside, Walter Hall, and Heritage Parks. Overall, the city has developed over 11 miles of trails identified as Phase 1 Trails in the previous master plan as well as additional sidewalk connections and repairs.

The trails master plan has been updated within this plan to provide clarity on location, preferred widths, signage location, and types.
TRAIL SYSTEM STANDARDS
The overall trail system is much like a highway system. Just as roadway facilities are assigned a hierarchy based on overall volumes and speeds, a well-designed trail system provides for wider trails for multi-user capabilities (pedestrian, bike, and others) and higher expected volumes, secondary trails in less prominent areas, and smaller trails where appropriate or necessary. Recommendations from the city’s 2011 Mobility Master Plan were reviewed and consulted for roadway types and pedestrian zone preferences. Proposed trail types for the City of League City’s Trail System are shown below. A city-wide map is provided on page 99.

PRIMARY TRAILS
Primary trails provide wide, hard surface paving, typically concrete, and ample space for multi-users and multi-directions. These major trail corridors are easy to access, are located along prominent roadways, extend long distances, and provide critical connections across the city. Preferred configuration for primary trails is a 10’-wide trail along both sides of major roadway corridors. Where limited right-of-way, safety concerns, or other challenges exist, the city may need to consider reducing one side of the corridor to an 8’ width along limited portions as shown below. In very limited circumstances, League City may also need to consider a trail along only one side of the corridor or significant trail width reduction due to existing conditions.
SECONDARY TRAILS
Similar to collector streets in a roadway network, secondary trails provide critical connections
between major destinations, including residential and retail, large parks, and the downtown area.
These are maintained at 8’ wide to accommodate multiple user types and allow space for passing
comfortably. Secondary trails are also proposed within drainage and utility corridors to provide an
off-road alternative for both pedestrian and bicyclists. Off-road trails reduce potential vehicular
conflicts, utilize corridors that already exist, and link neighborhoods and commercial areas with
other parts of the city. Where located along roadways, an 8’-wide trail is preferred on both sides of
the street. Width may need to be reduced in some locations where existing conditions limit overall
width. Within drainage and utility corridors, trails may be located along one side of the corridor if
connections are provided to both sides utilizing bridge or culvert crossings.

Secondary Trail - Preferred Section

Secondary Trail - Alternate Section
NEIGHBORHOOD TRAILS

Neighborhood trails provide connections within a single neighborhood or special district. Width of a neighborhood trail should be no smaller than 6’, but material selection can vary depending on location. Trails or sidewalks located internally to a community should be constructed as neighborhood trails to provide connections to local schools, retail, and parks. Due to the special character and limited right-of-way within League City’s Historic District, neighborhood trails are also proposed for that portion of the city as shown on the overall map. Some user groups prefer decomposed granite trails as they are more forgiving on joints and have a more natural appearance. Brick pavers or banding should be utilized for trails within the Historic District. Where right-of-way is restricted due to existing conditions, trail width may need to be reduced on one or both sides of the roadway. The City should review these areas on a case-by-case basis. Trails or walks less than 4’ wide are not recommended.

OTHER TRAIL CONSIDERATIONS

Continuing the development of the comprehensive trails system in League City includes many factors that need to be considered during the preliminary planning, design, and construction of the trails system. An overview is provided below.

MATERIALS

The preferred material for trail development by the city should be a hard surface material such as concrete. Concrete trails are durable and limit future maintenance costs. They also accommodate many types of users including pedestrians and cyclists. Other materials that may be considered in specific areas include decomposed granite which is more forgiving on joints and considered more natural looking, and brick pavers which should be incorporated within the Historic District.
OWNERSHIP AND EASEMENTS
The location of proposed trails within the overall Master Plan lie within right-of-ways, utility easements and corridors, and some privately owned parcels. Trails located within City right-of-ways will be relatively easy to develop, but trails located within TxDOT corridors, such as FM 518, FM 2094, FM 270, and League City Parkway (east of I-45), will require coordination with the Texas Department of Transportation. There are multiple utility providers within League City including overhead electrical, gas and oil pipelines, as well as telephone and cable. Each provider has unique requirements for the installation of trails within their property or easement. The location of trails through private property will require coordination with landowners.

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS
Trail development should adhere to the city’s design standards but should also meet other federal, state, and local codes, including ADA, TDLR, and AASHTO among others. Coordination with Galveston and Harris Counties, depending on the location of the proposed trail, may also be required. Signage and striping, especially at roadway crossings, is governed by the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (TMUTCD). Environmental concerns should be considered during the preliminary phase, especially along major waterways and their tributaries. Funding sources may require additional design considerations.

TRAILHEADS AND AMENITY NODES
Trailheads and amenity nodes range in size and can provide distinctive gateways to the trails system. The city should seek to partner with landowners located adjacent to the trails system to provide locations for trailheads. Open space reserves within established communities could provide an excellent opportunity for not only connecting the community to the trails system but also developing a trailhead. Typical trailhead amenities include parking, wayfinding signage, seating, and even restroom facilities. Amenity nodes tend to be smaller, providing signage, seating, and minimal landscaping.

WAYFINDING SIGNAGE
Incorporating signage along the trails system provides multiple benefits. Signage located along major roadways can provide public awareness of the larger trails system. Signage can also provide the trail user with wayfinding and distance information, including major destination locations as well as educational and historical information about the area. Proposed signage standards are explored later in this chapter.
THEMES AND SIGNATURE TRAILS

The 2010 Trails Master Plan established four distinct themed zones. Within each of the zones, a signature trail was proposed, and in 2011, a portion of the Clear Creek Signature Trail was constructed as a paddle trail within Clear Creek. Signage was also installed at three kayak launches. The four signature trails are:

- Clear Creek Connections - Paddle Trail along Clear Creek
- League City Heritage - Located within the Historic District
- Coastal Plains - Located on the east side
- Texas Traditions - Proposed within future development in the southwest area

A summary of each of the zones including a map enlargement is provided on the following pages.
CLEAR CREEK CONNECTIONS TRAIL

Clear Creek is one of the major waterbodies within the city and establishes much of the city’s northern boundary. Early settlement occurred along its banks, and it contains extensive historical significance and environmentally-sensitive areas. Wildlife is abundant, especially along portions of the creek that are undeveloped. Several popular parks located along Clear Creek include Lynn Grip Park at Countryside, Challenger, Walter Hall, and the Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center. 6.5 miles of paddle trail were developed in 2011, including kayak launches Lynn Grip Park at Countryside, Walter Hall, and Heritage Parks. Extending the trail farther east and providing additional kayak launches are proposed. Trail connections from the creek to adjacent neighborhoods should also be explored.
**LEAGUE CITY HERITAGE TRAIL**

History runs deep in League City and is a source of great pride for its residents. The names of early settlers, Muldoon, Butler, Cowards, Perkins, and League, are commonly found as names for city streets, museums, and squares. The heart of the city, League City’s Historic District, is currently under consideration for redevelopment. Incorporating a signature trail through the district provides multiple opportunities for incorporating educational signage which portrays the early history of the city. The character of this signature trail should be reflective of the Historic District - narrow, brick paved walks, historically appropriate lighting and benches, and the preservation of the Butler Oaks, one of the primary historical landmarks in the city.
COASTAL PLAINS TRAIL

The eastern portion of League City enjoys coastal breezes from Galveston Bay. This signature trail provides an opportunity to experience natural elements found within this unique ecoregion, including bluestem grasslands, low water areas, and a multitude of bird habitats. Trails provide both on-road and off-road experiences and connect from the Prairie Preserve to the FM 518 corridor. The trail will also provide connectivity to the Clear Creek ISD complex which includes Clear Falls High School, Bayside Intermediate School and Mossman Elementary.
TEXAS TRADITIONS TRAIL

The southwest area of League City remains primarily undeveloped. The future expansion of the Grand Parkway/SH 99 through this area has spurred potential growth in the near future. This area provides a great opportunity for establishing a larger looped trail reflecting Texas’s rich agricultural background.
WAYFINDING SIGNAGE
Installing standard wayfinding signage within parks and along trails provides visual indicators to both current and future users of the existing trails system. Many survey respondents wrote in the public survey that they were unaware of the existing trails within League City. Attractive signage that includes wayfinding maps as well as educational and historic data can provide valuable information regarding the entire trails system and the city. Utilizing signage standards that were established in the previous Trails Master Plan, additional information regarding location, color values, and construction information are provided on the following pages.

SIGNAGE TYPES
Signage standards for League City include two sizes which can be designed double-sided where appropriate. Both signs are similar in nature, but the primary sign is taller, providing area to include logos or icons, maps, wayfinding, and educational materials. The smaller sign can be utilized within parks as regulatory signs for crossing locations or where existing site conditions warrant a smaller sign.

Primary Signage Specifications
SIGNAGE DESIGN AND COLOR

Signage panels are designed so that they may be removed and updated with new panels at a relatively small expense. This allows for the city to update maps when necessary. The color of each sign should follow the standard signage colors on the chart below, unless the signage occurs along a signature trail. Unique color palettes are established for each signature trail as shown.

### Secondary Signage Specifications

- **Stainless steel mounting plate structure**
- Theme zone
- City identifier
- 3/4” thick high-pressure laminate/phenolic material as manufactured by iZone (888-464-9663, www.izoneimaging.com)
- Regulatory information, directional and distance marking
- Stainless steel base secured to concrete footing
- Concrete Footer
- Stainless steel thru-bolt mechanical fasteners
- Vertical stainless steel plate mounting structure

### SIGNAGE DESIGN AND COLOR

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### Sign Components

- **Trail Family Name / Color 1**
- **City Identifier / Grey 1**
- **Interpretive images/icons**
- **Maps / Directional / Interpretive text / Educational Context / Color 2**
- **Pattern / Grey 1**
- **Band / Grey 2**
- **Regulatory Information, Directional and Distance Marking / Color 2**
6 IMPLEMENTATION
IMPLEMENTING THE PARKS, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN

The Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan 2017 is meant to serve as a guide for the City of League City to meet their desired park and recreational goals over the next 20 years. Acquiring and developing new park land, renovating and re-envisioning existing park facilities, and ensuring pedestrian and bicyclists accessibility to key destinations are all important factors for continuing to provide excellent recreational facilities for the residents of League City. This chapter provides implementation strategies for recommended projects, including prioritization, expected costs and potential funding methods, as well as considerations for changes to current city policies.

PROJECT PRIORITIES

After analyzing current level-of-service needs and public desires along with reviewing budget constraints and project feasibility, recommended projects were prioritized into immediate needs (1-5 years), future needs (5-10 years), and long term needs (10+ years). Each term provides a balance of land acquisition and park and trail development. Estimated costs for acquisition, development and maintenance are based upon the chart below, which were developed utilizing 2017 average costs for park and trail projects, including a 15% increase to allow for inflation over the next 20 years. For projects that are currently under design, current preliminary cost estimates were utilized, as available.

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* Cost assumes removal of existing trail
# IMMEDIATE NEEDS (2018 - 2022)

Over the next five years, the city should complete current projects which include development of a city dog park, extending a trail system in the Claremont area, renovations to League Park and surrounding Historic District, and installing a 5K loop trail in Hometown Heroes Park. Other projects identified include upgrades and new facilities within the city’s eastern side, Zone D, which currently has the largest deficit in level-of-service, including the Dick Benoit Prairie Preserve, renovations to Bayridge Park, extending the paddle trail, and developing the Coastal Prairie Signature Trail.

## PROJECT PRIORITIES - IMMEDIATE NEEDS (2018 - 2022)

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FUTURE NEEDS (2023 - 2028)

Future priority projects should focus on land acquisition, trail development, and installing new types of park facilities. Once a new aquatic facility is developed on the west side of the city, the existing city pool should be renovated to include family-friendly, leisure-type aquatics. A splash pad should be developed, preferably at a central location with good access, such as Hometown Heroes Park. An additional sportsplex should be developed on the west side of the city, preferably with access along a major thoroughfare. An outdoor amphitheater should be developed to provide adequate space for major city events that could also be rented. Trails should continue to be developed with a priority on primary trails along major thoroughfares, extending secondary trails, and connecting to key destinations. The city should pursue the acquisition of 200 acres or more for future park development. Partnerships for shared-use of existing facilities may also help to increase park accessibility.

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- Improvements to Existing Parks $4.8M
- New Facilities $4.5M
- New Park Development $8.5M
- Existing Trail Extensions $0
- New Trail Systems $39.6M
- Acquisition $18M
LONG TERM NEEDS (2029-2036)

Long term goals for League City include acquisition of additional lands to meet level-of-service goals based upon population projections. Existing park acreage that is currently undeveloped should also be considered for development, such as the Kilgore Tract and Bay Colony West. By 2036, Zone A is expected to add 30,000 residents. League City would need to add roughly 250 acres of park land and develop three baseball fields, seven basketball courts, a football field, a large picnic pavilion, 20 playgrounds, four soccer fields, a swimming pool, three volleyball courts, four tennis courts, and 30,000 square feet of recreation center in order to accommodate this growth. The city should consider developing an additional community park within Zone A with a recreation center. Trail development should continue, including the installation of the Texas Traditions Signature Trail.

### PROJECT PRIORITIES - LONG TERM NEEDS (2029-2036)

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**FACILITY PRIORITIES**

The previous pages provided an overview of specific recommended projects phased over the next 20 years. The chart below summarizes facility-type priorities based upon public input, trends, and level-of-service needs. These facilities should be considered for future park development.

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**FUNDING**

To meet League City’s level-of-service goals and obtain the four proposed targets, the total estimated cost for project development is $224,675,000. These projects will also require maintenance which is estimated to increase the city’s annual budget by $5,305,000 by the year 2036. League City Council and staff will need to carefully budget for future projects while also considering the extra maintenance responsibilities, especially for new park and trail projects. Methods for funding future projects and maintenance are explored below.

**GENERAL FUND REVENUES**

Funding for the operations of League City’s existing park infrastructure is allocated from the city’s general fund, which is primarily comprised of unrestricted tax and other funds. The 2017 fiscal year operating budget for Parks and Cultural Services, which includes the library, civic center operations, park operations, and recreation programming, is just over five million dollars. Over 72% of that budget is allocated to personnel services, which includes over 70 staff members. Less than 5% of the current budget is allocated to maintenance, although numerous comments were made in the public survey praising the outstanding maintenance in League City owned parks. With the potential
for major new development within the southwestern area of the city, the tax base is expected to increase, therefore allocating additional funding to the city’s general fund and Parks and Cultural Services. This type of funding should be considered for maintenance and minor improvements, especially to existing parks.

**USER FEES**
Several of the city’s park facilities charge a user fee that helps to offset maintenance and operation costs. Although surplus revenue may be small, the development of other city facilities which charge a user fee may increase current revenues. The civic center earned over $80,000 due to public rentals in 2015, while park programming and services earned over $630,000. The city should consider user fees for future major park projects, including a new recreation center and sports complex.

**VOTER APPROVED PARK BONDS**
Due to the large amount of land acquisition and park development that the city needs to consider over the next 20 years, a bond referendum should be considered to fund specific park projects.

**SECTION 4-B ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SALES TAX**
League City residents approved a 1/4 cent sales tax which allows the city to allocate funds to specific projects related to amateur sports facilities. An appointed Board oversees expenditures. The Chester L. Davis Sportsplex and Hometown Heroes Park were partially funded through 4-B sources. Funding is tax based, and therefore increases to the city’s commercial tax base would allow for additional funding opportunities through Section 4-B. Several trail facilities are currently being considered for funding, as well as improvements to Hometown Heroes Park and an additional entrance to the Sportsplex. The 4-B currently has over $3 million in reserves.

**PARK DEDICATION FEE**
The current park ordinance requires a park dedication fee per lot or unit for newly developed lands. Historically, developers have chosen to pay the fee, in lieu of dedicating land for public park use. In 2016, the city received over $600,000 in park dedication fees and spent nearly $100,000 on trail design. Other recent projects funded by park dedication fees include the Ghirardi Family WaterSmart Park, the Magnolia Greek Trail, and the boundless playground at League Park. Current development is averaging 1,000 lots per year which would generate an additional $20M over the next 20 years, or less than 10% of projected project costs.

**FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS**
A variety of federal and local grant programs could be utilized to offset costs for park and recreation facilities. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) offers cost-share grant programs for trails, outdoor, and indoor recreation. League City has utilized TPWD grants for significant park projects, including Lynn Gripon Park at Countryside, League Park, and the Dr. Ned and Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center, as well as EPA 319 grants to develop the Ghirardi Family WaterSmart Park. The US Fish and Wildlife Service’s Land and Water Conservation Fund,
among others, should be explored. The city has also utilized funding managed by TxDOT for special transportation enhancement and trail projects. Each grant program is unique, with specific submittal requirements, dates, and funding allowances. Grant programs can typically extend overall project time to provide for submittal, award, and coordination of specific grant requirements. Projects should be identified early for possible grant submittal and award.

**SPECIAL DISTRICTS**
League City is overlaid with multiple Municipal Utility Districts (MUD) and Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ). Each of these entities is funded through a combination of tax and user fees and have a unique set of powers that may align with the city's recreational goals. In 2003, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) allowed MUD’s to sell bonds unique to park projects. The city should explore partnership opportunities with special districts that may include shared land use or cost sharing for construction or maintenance.

**PARTNERSHIPS AND SPONSORSHIPS**
Creative partnerships can also help to offset construction or operating costs of city park facilities. Joint-use facilities could provide residents with much needed park space, while additional development or maintenance of the space could be a partnership between the landowner and the city. Potential partners include private landowners, homeowner associations, or non-profit and special interest groups. Volunteer efforts could also be coordinated for construction build days or maintenance and park clean-up events.

**POLICY REVIEW**
To ensure that League City’s current ordinances support the updated Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan, a review of several existing regulations was performed. These regulations were also compared to park ordinances from four other area cities, including Friendswood, Houston, Pearland, and Sugar Land. Recommendations for adjustments to Chapter 102, Article II (Sec 102-51 to 102-59) of the League City Parks Ordinance 2006-100 are outlined below, as well as recommendations for Article I (Sec 102-5t) of the Subdivision and Development Ordinance 2015.

**SEC. 102-53 HOA PARK LAND DEDICATION**

**Assessment**
- The ordinance does not require HOA parks to be improved; most are voluntarily improved by the developer, but there are some examples where the HOA parks have not been improved by the developer. Consequently, there have been some occasions when the city has come under pressure to provide park improvements at a later date.
- Of the four peer cities evaluated, League City is the only city that has a specific requirement for dedication of HOA park land, and the only city that does not allow credits toward the public park requirement for HOA parks and/or improvements.
IMPLEMENTATION

Recommendations

• To close the potential loophole and ensure the HOA parks are developed as intended, a minimum amount of improvements should be required. The most convenient method to express the requirement would be in a certain dollar amount per lot within the plat which is served by the park. An initial range of $800 - $1,000 per lot would be reasonable. Allowing up to one year after completion of the public infrastructure to complete the HOA park improvements should not create an undue burden on the developer.

• Consider providing a list of example park improvements within the ordinance to guide park development. The list shall not be considered required elements but merely serve as a guide.

SEC. 102-55 PARK DEDICATION FEES

Assessment

• The ordinance requires a minimum of five acres to be dedicated and improved, and the value of land and improvements must be equal to the fee that would otherwise be required. Based on average current land prices, the minimum plat size that could meet these requirements would be at least 250 lots. A plat of this size is highly unusual.

• Of the four peer cities evaluated, League City is the only city that does not provide a public park dedication metric ("acres per units") option in addition to the fee per unit option.

• The ordinance is structured so that the payment of the fee is the default option with land dedication only acceptable after approval by the parks board and city council. The combination of these three factors make it much more expedient for developers to simply pay the fee in lieu of dedicating land for public park purposes.

• League City currently has the highest park dedication fee of the four peer cities that were evaluated, although developers are typically choosing this option.

• Two of the peer cities have adopted separate fee and land dedication requirements for single family and multi-family developments.

• The ordinance refers to a time limit of five years for the city to expend any funds received through park dedication fees and also states that they will be used per planning area as defined in the parks master plan.

Recommendations

• Revise the ordinance so that larger master-planned communities can be considered as a whole for public park dedication requirements instead of an individual, plat-by-plat basis. Provide parameters so that the overall public park dedication requirement for the master-planned community can be dedicated and/or improved in phases.

• Increase time limit for city to expend funds to 10 years to allow for careful planning
by the city for fund usage. Remove restriction per planning zone so funds can be used throughout the city where there is greatest need.

- Developments of less than five lots or units should be exempted from the HOA park requirement. Plats containing five lots or less that are part of a larger multi-phased development should not be exempted.
- Provide a defined “acres per unit” option in lieu of fee for public park dedication requirements that will streamline the process for determining the public park dedication in lieu of fee calculation.
- Specify that the receipt of land or fee is at the discretion of the parks director; final acceptance of specific parcels of land for public park dedication made by City Council.
- The fee structure should be re-evaluated and benchmarked against peer cities when the parks dedication ordinance is next updated. Funding for future park acquisition and development should also be considered.
- The total acquisition and development costs outlined in this plan totals over $224M. Assuming development continues at its current pace of approximately 1,000 homes per year for the 20-year plan period, the current $1,000 per lot fee would result in $20M in park dedication fees. In order to fund recommended projects through dedication fees alone, the per lot fee would need to be raised to $11,200.

**SEC. 102-57 A-B ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS/DEFINITIONS**

**Assessment**
- Land dedicated to meet public and HOA park dedication requirements have not always met the minimum standards.
- Some land currently owned by the city for future parks is not in ideal locations, and some parcels are overly encumbered with conflicting easements.
- Some HOA parks have limited usability due to overlapping constraints.

**Recommendations**
- For public and private park land dedication, reduce the percentage of land that can be encumbered by easements.
- For public and private parks, generally prohibit land encumbered by drainage, pipeline, or power line easements, unless specifically approved by parks director in unique cases. Floodplain land may be acceptable provided the specific locations are approved by the parks director when in compliance with the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan.
- For public parks, require the donor to provide a Phase 1 environmental assessment and current title report for the land to be dedicated.
- For public parks, ensure that land accepted for dedication is consistent with the Parks Master Plan.
SEC. 102-57 E ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS/DEFINITIONS

Assessment
• The procedure described for calculation of credits against park fees for trail construction is unclear in the current ordinance. It also appears to be limited to only trails along Clear Creek and Clear Lake.

Recommendations
• Clearly state that trail construction in the Clear Creek/Clear Lake corridor, based on actual costs, may be accepted in lieu of up to 50% of the public park dedication fee.
• Define eligible trails as those that are included on the current Master Trails Plan within the Clear Creek/Clear Lake corridor only.
• Define minimum width and material requirements for eligible trails, or indicate that they must follow Master Trails Plan standards.

SEC. 102-5T RIGHT-OF-WAYS, PRIVATE STREETS AND ACCESS GENERAL DESIGN

Assessment
• The current sidewalk width is designated as 4’ wide for both residential and commercial developments.
• Only one peer city still allows 4’ wide sidewalks. The others are either 5’ or 6’ minimum. Sugar Land will reimburse the developer the difference in cost between a 6’ wide and required width from their master plan.

Recommendations
• Revise minimum sidewalk width to 6’ wide.
• Consider city participation to extend developer walks outside of development to complete gaps.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS
• Review city detention requirements and consider adding language encouraging the addition of beautification elements, trails etc.
• Review current ordinances to assess authority to require minimum maintenance standards for private park facilities

SUCCESS OF THE PLAN
This plan provides a framework from which the City of League City can plan and budget for park, trail, and open space projects over the next 20 years. At a minimum, the plan should be reviewed every five years to re-assess priorities, discuss challenges, and celebrate completed projects and victories. Key factors for the success of this plan include stakeholder involvement, open communication, and resident awareness. Some strategies are explored below.

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT
Many individuals and special interest groups participated in the development of this plan by
providing insight and feedback on their desires for future park development in League City. League City should continue to encourage participation by stakeholders during the implementation of this plan, which may include special interest meetings, large format public meetings, or workshops. Specific projects may warrant the development of a task force or small group of individuals that can help guide the development of the project. A task force should be comprised of individuals that represent a variety of interests, including city staff. League City has numerous boards and committees, including the parks board that should continue to be involved during plan implementation. A representative from the parks board should be elected to all project task forces.

PUBLIC AWARENESS

Maintaining public awareness regarding the city’s existing park and trail facilities, as well as recreational programming, is a vital component to maintaining public support for these types of facilities. Respondents from the public survey administered during the development of this plan identified a lack in knowledge of existing facilities, specifically existing trail systems. The city currently publishes the recreational programming brochure “Beyond the Oaks” and also provides basic information regarding park facilities on the city’s website. Offering additional information regarding facilities including specific park amenities, updates to park development, and trail extension projects would assist in public use and appreciation of park facilities and programs. An awareness campaign through local newspapers, League City Matters publication or social media, including Facebook or Instagram could greatly improve education of existing facilities to residents. The city should also consider developing additional programming, perhaps through creative partnerships at each of League City’s parks.

The City of Houston's parks board, which is a separate non-profit entity, develops an annual report which is publicly available and provides an overview of projects completed throughout the year. League City should consider developing a similar report, whether included within the City Matters publication or a separate publication, in order to facilitate public awareness and involvement in the implementation of this plan.
APPENDIX
The City of League City is beginning the process of updating its Parks, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan, which will direct efforts and investments in the City’s parks and trails system for the future. As one way of obtaining input from a cross-section of the community, the City is providing this survey to allow respondents to express their opinions, indicate their desires, and describe their usage patterns regarding the park system.

This survey should take no more than 10 to 12 minutes to complete. You can choose to remain completely anonymous, or can provide contact information at the end if you wish to be placed on a contact list for further work on the Master Plan and other park system outreach efforts. The City encourages you to either answer for your entire household, or have each person in your household take the survey.

You may instead take an online version of the survey accessible via the Parks and Recreation Department website:

www.leaguecity.com/parks

For questions, or to return this survey by mail, please contact:

City of League City
attn: Parks and Cultural Services
300 W. Walker Street
League City, TX 77573
parks@leaguecity.com

Definitions for terms used in the survey

Open Space / Natural Areas / Scenic Lands: Unimproved public or private land devoted to natural resource preservation, managed resource production, outdoor recreation, or public health and safety. Parks are only one of many types of open space.

Park: An area set aside for public enjoyment and managed by a public agency.

Neighborhood Parks: Parks that are generally smaller than 10 acres and designed to serve residents / employees within ½ mile; neighborhood parks do not include “parks” and related facilities owned by a Homeowners Association for the use of its members.

Community Parks: Parks that are generally larger than 10 acres and designed to serve residents and employees within the entire city.

Trail: A linear publicly accessible route for recreation or circulation that may allow for multiple uses, such as walking, bicycling, etc.

Recreation Facilities: Buildings, constructed improvements, or equipment that contains, allows, or facilitates recreation.

Recreation Programs and Activities: Classes, leagues, events, and similar recreational services.
1. Using the map at right for reference, please indicate in which sector of the city you live (choose one, A-D). If you do not live in League City, please provide the ZIP code of your residence.

___ Sector A  
___ Sector B  
___ Sector C  
___ Sector D  

___ I don’t live in League City, here is the ZIP code of my residence: ___________________________

(SKIP TO QUESTION 3)

2. If you are a resident of League City, how long have you been a resident of the city?

___ Less than 1 year  
___ 1 – 5 years  
___ 6 – 10 years  
___ 11 – 20 years  
___ More than 20 years

3. Do you work or attend school in the City of League City (whether or not you live there)? If so, please indicate where your workplace / school is located using the map from Question 1; if not, please select that answer below.

___ Sector A  
___ Sector B  
___ Sector C  
___ Sector D  

I do not work or attend school in League City

4. Overall, how well do you think the parks, open space / natural areas / scenic lands, trails, and recreation facilities provided by League City are meeting the needs of the community?

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___ Run / jog                                      ___ Walking
___ Cycling for leisure                           ___ Horse riding
___ On-road cycling                                ___ Alternative to driving to a destination
___ Off-road cycling                               ___ I don’t use trails
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Other (please describe facility and your level of satisfaction):

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8. For the parks in the previous question that you never visit, please indicate the reasons you do not visit? Select all that apply.

- Inaccessible / too far / can’t walk or bike there
- Don’t have the facilities I want
- Facilities are in poor condition / insufficient maintenance
- I don’t feel safe
- Not interested / too busy
- Insufficient parking
- Too crowded
- I’m not aware of what facilities are available
- I instead use other parks around League City
- Other (please describe reason for not using parks in League City):

Other (please describe reason for not using parks in League City):

9. What hinders you from using trails in League City more often? Select all that apply.

- I’m not aware of what trails are available
- Trails don’t lead to where I want to go
- Not interested / too busy
- Facilities are in poor condition / insufficient maintenance
- I instead use other trails outside League City
- Inaccessible / too far / can’t walk or bike there
- I don’t feel safe
- Insufficient parking
- Too crowded
- Other (please describe reason for not using League City trails):

Other (please describe reason for not using League City trails):

10. What recreation programs offered by League City do you or members of your household participate in? Select all that apply.

- Seniors programs
- Aquatics / swim lessons
- Youth programming (karate, gymnastics, Camp by the Creek etc.)
- Youth sports (T-ball, soccer etc.)
- Adult programming
- Special events (4th of July, egg hunt)
11. For the recreation programs in which you never or no longer participate, please indicate the reasons for not participating. Select all that apply.

- Inaccessible / too far / can’t walk or bike there
- Don’t have the programs I want
- Facilities are in poor condition / insufficient maintenance
- I don’t feel safe
- Not interested / too busy
- Programs aren’t targeted to my children’s age group
- Instructors / coordinators not of sufficient quality
- Insufficient parking
- Too crowded / no registrations available
- I’m not aware of what programs are available
- I instead use other agencies’ programs
- Programs aren’t targeted to my age group
- Programs aren’t offered at convenient times
- Fees are too high

Other (please describe reason for not participating in programs):

12. Regarding possible future projects for which the City could allocate resources, please indicate the level of importance you would place on each of the following projects.

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### 13. Regarding Clear Creek, how important are each of the following to you?

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14. The City could acquire certain lands in the community. Please indicate the level of importance you would place on the following purposes of acquisition:

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<th>Purpose of Acquisition</th>
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<td>Sensitive environmental lands, such as wetlands</td>
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<td>Historic or archaeological sites</td>
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<td>Community / civic gathering spaces and plazas</td>
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<td>Ditches, canals, and drainageways</td>
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15. The City may establish goals for access to open space, parks, trails, and recreation facilities. What level of priority would you give to each of the following:

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<th>Access to Open Space From Home</th>
<th>High Priority</th>
<th>Medium Priority</th>
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<td>Bicycle access to a neighborhood park from home</td>
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16. What is the maximum walking or bicycling time you feel a NEIGHBORHOOD PARK should be from most residents’ homes? Please select one for each type of travel.

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<th>Walking</th>
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17. What is the maximum walking or bicycling time you feel OPEN SPACE should be from most residents’ homes? Please select one for each type of travel.

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<td>Will not get to the park this way</td>
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18. When choosing your current home - how important was its proximity to parks / trails / green spaces?

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<th>Very important</th>
<th>Not very important</th>
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<td>Somewhat important</td>
<td>Not at all important</td>
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19. What are priority destinations for trails in League City to connect to? Select all that apply.

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<th>School / college</th>
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<td>Work places</td>
<td>Open space / nature preserves</td>
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<td>Retail / shopping</td>
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Other (please describe other priority destination for trails):

________________________________________________________________________
20. In order to develop or improve parks, open space / natural areas / scenic lands, trails, and recreational facilities and programming, I would support the following (select all that apply):

___ An increase in local taxes
___ New or increased user fees
___ Re-allocating other existing public spending to these items
___ Volunteer building
___ Volunteer maintenance / operations

21. Do you have any further comments / observations on open space, parks, trails, recreational facilities, and recreational programs and activities provided by League City?

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

The following questions are solely for the purpose of better understanding the survey responses in the context of the total population of the League City area.

22. Which of the following best describes your household status?

___ Unrelated individuals / roommates
___ Couple, no children
___ Single, no children
___ Couple with children
___ Single with children
___ Single, adult children have left home ("empty nesters")
___ Couple, adult children have left home ("empty nesters")
___ Extended family / other

23. Please provide the number of people in each age range (given in years) that live in your household.

___ Under 2
___ 2 – 5
___ 6 – 11
___ 12 – 17
___ 18 – 24
___ 25 – 34
___ 35 – 44
___ 45 – 54
___ 55 – 64
___ 65 or older

24. Which age range do you fall into?

___ Under 18
___ 18 - 24
___ 25 - 34
___ 35 - 44
___ 45 - 54
___ 55 - 64
___ 65 or older
25. Do you own or rent your residence?

___ Own
___ Rent (SKIP TO QUESTION 28)

26. Are you a member of a homeowners association (HOA)?

___ Yes
___ No (SKIP TO QUESTION 28)

27. Do you use recreational facilities or open space that may be provided by your HOA?

___ Yes, I use the HOA recreational facilities and / or open space
___ No – they are available, but I don’t use them
___ My HOA only has undeveloped open space, which I don’t use
___ My HOA doesn’t provide recreational facilities or open space

28. Which range below contains your estimated total annual household income before taxes?

___ Less than $25,000
___ $25,000 - $34,999
___ $35,000 - $49,999
___ $50,000 - $74,999
___ $75,000 - $99,999
___ $100,000 - $149,000
___ $150,000 and above

29. Which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic heritage?

___ Hispanic or Latino
___ Black / African-American, not Hispanic or Latino
___ Hispanic or Latino
___ White, not Hispanic or Latino
___ Asian
___ Two or more ethnicities / races
___ Other (specify below)

Please specify other ethnicity or race:

__________________________________________________________________________

30. What is your gender?

___ Female
___ Male

31. If you wish to be included in an email contact list for the Master Plan update, please provide your email address. You may decline to provide your email address, and your responses will still be included in the tally.

__________________________________________________________________________
YOU’RE FINISHED!

Thank you for taking the time to respond to our survey. Your opinions and information will be very helpful for the Parks, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan update. If you have any questions about this effort, please contact:

City of League City

Email: parks@leaguecity.com

attn: Parks and Cultural Services

300 W. Walker Street
League City, TX 77573
COMMUNITY SURVEY

During May 2016 to March 2017, the League City community had the opportunity to participate in a survey regarding the City’s parks and trails system. This survey is part of the update to the City of League City’s master plans for parks and trails. A survey was also included in the previous master plan from 2006, allowing a comparison of some results over time to gauge progress and changing community needs.

The Clark Condon team created this survey primarily for online deployment, though a hard copy version was also available to respondents. After draft surveys were reviewed by City of League City staff, the team deployed the survey in May 2016, promoting the survey at public meetings for the Master Plan update. The City provided general outreach about the survey to its citizens in order to ensure maximum participation. The survey stayed open to respondents until March 31, 2017. The survey instrument is included at the conclusion of this report.

Survey Sample

The survey outreach effort was successful, with 2,398 respondents beginning the survey and most questions intended for all respondents achieving approximately 1,500 to 1,800 responses or more (some questions near the end of the survey, such as the demographic questions, had a lower response rate). Given League City’s population of approximately 99,000 to 100,000 (per current estimates by CDS), this represents a sampling rate of roughly 1.5% to 1.8%, and as high as 2.4%, depending upon the level of response to each survey question. This provides a margin of error, at a 95% confidence level, of approximately 2.3% to 2.5% for most questions. For questions where responses are filtered for subgroups of respondents, margins of error are higher.

The survey included a series of demographic questions to allow for filtered analysis of specific population groups and to understand how representative a sample was achieved (targeted sampling quotas are difficult when using online surveys). This can be compared to recent demographic information from the Bureau of the Census (2015 5-Year American Community Survey or ACS) to identify over- or under-representation of these groups.

Age of Respondents

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<td>65 or older</td>
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Survey n=1,388
Above is a comparison of the age distribution of survey respondents and the Census estimate. Note that due to differences in the delineation in age categories, the youth populations are not exactly mirrored between the two sources.

The survey sample over-represented the age groups between age 25 and 54 in comparison to the total population. However, this is at least partly due to the fact that many parents took the survey as representatives of households with children, rather than children taking the survey directly. This report will provide breakouts of results from respondents living in households with pre-school aged and school-aged children for several survey questions.

Seniors (age 65 and older) were reasonably represented. Overall, the distribution of adult survey respondents reasonably reflected the distribution of those groups in the total population, well enough that no major adjustments to sampling results are necessary.

**Household Type**

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<td>Single with children</td>
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<td>Single, adult children have left home (“empty nester”)</td>
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<td>Couple, adult children have left home (“empty nesters”)</td>
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<td>Extended family / other</td>
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Survey n=1,396

The survey sample underrepresented single persons and couples without children, while couples with children were overrepresented.

**Ethnicity**

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<th>Ethnic Category</th>
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<td>Hispanic or Latino</td>
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<td>Black / African-American, not Hispanic or Latino</td>
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<td>7.5%</td>
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<td>White, not Hispanic or Latino</td>
<td>82.5%</td>
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<td>Asian</td>
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<td>Two or more ethnicities / races</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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Survey n=1,341

Compared to Census estimates of the total population, the survey over-represented the White non-Hispanic / Latino population and under-represented other groups, particularly the Hispanic / Latino and Black / African-American populations. It should be noted that a survey respondent may be of a
particular ethnicity that is different from other members of their household whose interests would be represented in survey answers.

**Household Income**

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<td>$150,000 and above</td>
<td>31.9%</td>
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Survey n=1,309

While the survey sample represented the upper middle income range (between $74,000 and $100,000) in proportions similar their proportion as estimated by the ACS, it over-represented higher income groups at the expense of lower income households. This report will provide breakouts of results from lower income households for several survey questions to examine potential differences in preferences that might otherwise be masked in the overall sample.

**Gender**

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<tr>
<td>Female</td>
<td>61.2%</td>
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<td>Male</td>
<td>38.8%</td>
<td>50.2%</td>
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Survey n=1,349

The survey sample over-represented female respondents. Again, it should be noted that the respondents may have represented the preferences of household members of the opposite gender in their answers.

**Housing Tenure**

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<td>Renter</td>
<td>9.2%</td>
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<td>Owner</td>
<td>90.8%</td>
<td>72.9%</td>
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Survey n=1,398
Lastly, the survey inquired as to the housing occupancy tenure (form of residency) of the respondents. The survey sample significantly over-represented homeowners. This is not atypical of community surveys conducted for public agency planning purposes; the renter community can be difficult to reach and may not be as motivated to respond.
Survey Results

Where Respondents Live and Work

The survey asked respondents in what part of League City they lived, as defined by the sector map to the right. It also asked if they worked or attended school in these sectors.

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<td>18.6%</td>
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<td>Does not live (Q1), go to work/school (Q3) in LJ</td>
<td>12.3%</td>
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n=2,381 (Q1), 2,304 (Q3)
The results show that, while not exactly matching the estimated shares of the residential population, the respondents’ residential locations roughly approximate the shares for each sector.

Those who did not live in League City were asked to provide their home ZIP code. These are summarized as follows:

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<th>ZIP Code</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th># Respondents</th>
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<td>Friendswood</td>
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Respondents who do live in League City were asked for how long they have lived there.

**How Long Have Respondents Lived in League City (Q2)**

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The results show a relatively even mix between long time residents and newer residents, which befits League City’s ongoing fast residential growth.

**Park Usage, Frequency, and Satisfaction**

Before asking respondents about specific parks, the survey inquired as to their overall perception of how well the varies high-level categories of facilities and services are meeting the community’s needs.
How Well are the Facilities and Services Meeting the Community’s Needs? (Q4)

Respondents rated Parks overall most highly for meeting community needs. They rated Trails the overall lowest. While trails also registered the least satisfaction in the 2006 survey, satisfaction with parks is higher now than in the previous survey.

Frequency of Visits to Specific Parks (Q5)

The survey provided a list of League City’s municipal park and trails facilities, plus two county-owned facilities, for respondents to indicate their frequency of respective visits. The vast majority of parks and recreation facilities are visited very rarely or not at all by very high share of respondents.

However, some parks did stand out for being more frequently visited. The summary below provides a list of parks that are visited at least once a month by 10% or more of the overall respondent sample and each of three respondent subgroups: respondents with children in the household age 2 to 5, respondents with school-aged children aged 6 to 17, and respondents who identified themselves as over age 55.

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The Hike & Bike Trails and Hometown Heroes Park are consistently the most visited facilities.

Respondents with school-aged children in the household reported more visits to parks with athletic fields and facilities: Hometown Heroes Park and the Chester L. Davis Sportsplex showed high visitation.
The following chart provides an overview of reported visitation to all League City park facilities.

The 2006 survey highlighted parks that are visited at least once a year. By that standard, Helen’s Garden registered as one of the most popular; this was the case again in the current survey. Otherwise, the parks with the most popularity are similar in the two surveys, one other exception being Hometown Heroes Park, which did not exist in the previous one.
**Usage of Trails (Q6)**

The survey asked respondents how they used the trail system. More than one selection was allowed.

**How Respondents Use Trails (Q6)**

![Trail Usage Chart]

The survey allowed respondents to volunteer their own description of trail usage. Those answers are listed below. Many emphasized the role dog walking plays in their trail usage.

**Other Ways Respondents Use Trails**

- Drive around and talk on the roads through the park
- I'm not aware of where the trails may be. Is there a map?
- Kayaking clear creek
- I don't know where they are, but would like cycling for leisure away from car traffic
- I don't know where the trails may be. Is there a map?
- We use the paved trails to walk our child back and forth to Ross Elementary through Newport Park when weather permits. We live in Newport and enjoy the walk when we can. Sidewalks throughout the neighborhood are in rough shape though. I have to push my youngest son in a stroller and it is difficult to maneuver, also creating a tripping hazard for the little ones heading to and from school.
- Walking my dogs
- But trails are located far from me.
- Trails are not scenic. Not enough parks period. Sad
- Uncertain of our trails
- We wish there were actual biking trails or pathways within our parks for biking.
- Sit, relax, enjoy nature and people watching.
- To get to a trail in my area, I would have to drive several miles to get to it. That's not terribly convenient, so I don't use them. But I do like the idea of them!
- I'm not aware of any trails near me.
- Don't know of any trails in my area
- Walking my dog
- I'm not sure where they are
- Dog
- Walking dogs
- What trails?
- Walking my Dog
- Walk my dogs.
- However, the space on League City Parkway between Westover Park and Magnolia Creek needs to have the trees taken down as it is not safe. Can't be seen when walking thru there and snakes have been out a ton this year.
- We wish there were actual biking trails or pathways within our parks for biking.
- The City of Houston has so many, but we have to fight the traffic to get to them. We need nice urban biking places in LC. Please. :)
- Walk dog
- Too far from my home to use Witt driving
- Dog Walking
- League City is another strip-city providing bedrooms for Houston workers. Hell bent on car traffic and incorporation of remote areas. Poor poor idea of desirable quality urban settings. The traffic is poorly managed - example: the two lane left turn
at I45 from 518, unmarked except for an arrow painted under the car at the light. Wow, that was a surprise when the guy next to me also turned left. But, League City is preoccupied with realtor free infrastructure needs.

Do all the council members really think an ever expending city is evidence of anything other than a strong relationship, not with its citizens, but with the real estate game.

Sure makes for a butt-ugly area of the county!

There are no trails in the area.

I didn’t know we had trails

There are not any cycling and jogging trails in my area.

Mountain Bike trails

Fishing

Fishing

Skateboard

Kid adventures

Chilling.

Long boarding

Dog walking

i would use them for offroading

I wish I could use the trails for running but you have to drive there to use them! Why not make more usable roads/trails to get to the parks.

Fun way to explore other neighborhoods/parks in different parts of LC.

I didn’t know we had any.

Walking dog

Would like to have some trails around League city Park

I want to use trails for biking but do not know where they are located.

I don’t really use League City trails because they are not as ‘nice’ as others near by

Walking the dog, and trying to get the kids some nature. For some of the city kids these parks are what the outdoors are.

Repair-report damage area

Taking the family out for walks in nature

Dog park

Walking with my dog

Walking my dogs

I walk my dogs.

Walk dogs!!

I would use them but they are not in my area or I am not aware of them, in Historic District north of Main. I would use for walking, bicycling, alternative to driving to a destination.

dog walking

Trails? We have trails? Sidewalks don’t count....

Are there trails in my area?

do walk

Use the league city paddle trail in kayaks.

No known trails in the Bay Colony area.

Are there even walking trails in LC?

walk the dog

There are no trails in bay colony pointe.

Dog walking

Where can you ride horses? What trail?

Bike ride for exercise

No. there are not any trails near my home.

I and many others walk our dogs daily in various locations around the city

There aren’t trails near my house and some places don’t even have sidewalks

I didn’t know we had hike and bike trails

Walk dog

What Trails??

Jack Brooks is the only bike trail in our area. You have misdefined “bike trail”

There are no trails in my area.

Minimal available. Asked Chamber of Commerce and they were confused if LC had any. I’d REALLY like to see trails in LC.

What trails

I am in a wheelchair so trails are not accessible to me.

mountain biking

Exploring with children

Walking dogs.

No trails in my area would love to bike ride on some.

There are no trails close to my home. If there were we would use the to walk.

Mountain biking

What trails?

Didn’t know there were trails

Walking dog

Mountain bike trail

would love to have some type of Mountain bike trails similar to Jack Brook Park.

Pie in the sky think Valmont Bike Park in Boulder, CO.

I don’t know what trails you are talking about.

Baby jogger

walking with dog

walking with dog

Concern about safety on trails due to motorized vehicles and vegetative growth impeding walkway.

i utilize the Tuscan Lakes sidewalks, South Shore sidewalks, and large 518 sidewalk.

I like the trails to be there, but as yet I have not used them. But I still think they are great to have and maintain.

I don’t know where trails are located!
Walking my dogs. League City needs a dog park.
Why don’t you mention this in the survey to see how many residents agree.
Dog walking
Dog walk
Walk the dog
There are no "real" trails in League City to run, mountain bike or cycle. I have to go out of the city for that.
No cycling trails nearby. I bike on 96 b/c of wider road.
Trails need to be unpaved, preferable with switchbacks and trees
walking with dog
Dog walking
What trails? Like many people in my area, I use the Interurban easement, which is attainable on foot.
Not at all.
I have only used trails within my own subdivision. I was unaware of a wider League City trail network.
Girl and Boy Scout Adventures
Walk my dog
Dog walking
Walking my dogs several times a day. Really wish there were dog parks. Dogs really need to run and play.
Walking my dogs
no trails in our area. we dont even have completed sidewalks and its an established neighborhood/area
Dogs walking.
Skateboarding
Dog walking
Walking my dog
I live off Calder in Wilshire Place near the county annex. Would love to see trails added to easement by the power lines behind our neighborhood with a path from rear of Pecan Forest to 518 and rear of Wilshire Place to Walker. Would love to be able to walk/ride to the library and/or Walter Hall Park.
There really are not "trails" in the area of Meadow Bend subdivision. There are some sidewalks, but they are not really user friendly for the activities I have noted.
I would love to use them as an alternate to driving.
I am a runner, but I am unaware of any trails in my area.
I don’t know of trails in my area
Walk with children to learn about different things in nature
I didn’t know we had any
I’d like to know where these trails are
Where are the trails?
I drive to Seabrook to use their trails at least 3 times per week.
Photography
Looking for more connectivity
Dog walking Please plan on building a dog park!
There should be more trails leading to the schools
I don’t know where they are.
Geocaching
To my knowledge, there are no trails within walking distance of where I live (zone c)
We have no trails in our sector of league city. All We have is 96 and that's not very safe.
I don't have trails in my area. I would like them
No real trails in League City. Only a VERY FEW walking sidewalks. LC NEEDS more walking places for exercise !!!!
I don't know of any trails in my area D, other than the ones in Marbella, (concrete) which I use frequently. I use roads to cycle to stores/ CVS as alternative. I would use and want trails in my area to use alternative means to travel.
I don't know where any trails in my League City area are.
I don't have any that are close
There are no trails in our area, but I would use trails, to run/jog, cycle, walk, and as an alternative to driving if trails were closer.
Views of natural life. My kids love it
Mountain biking
Mountain biking
I use the trails & sidewalks as a safe place to cycle with my child in a bike trailer. There is very little connection between neighborhoods so that you can't really get anywhere on roads that are safe for biking with a small child, whether in a trailer or on their own bike. I would like to be able to bike TO places such as local restaurants, ice cream shops, the YMCA, etc. The recently-completed trails do at least give me about a 10-mile route, but it's fairly convoluted! I'd like to be able to ride more like 30 miles (or more)!
Not really sure where explicit trails are. Normally end up walking or horseback riding on neighborhood sidewalks if I'm lucky with the sprawling subdivisions.
Walking my dog.
Walk my dog
Have none
Pretty much stay in old League City.
There are no known trails in our area.
I live in South shore harbor (gated) and wish we had walking/biking trails
Walking my dog. Twice daily
I use neighborhood trails to run not away of city trails
Walk dogs
walking the dog
Don't know of any in my area
Didnt realize that League City had any trails, we frequent Sea Brook and walk quite often on the trail to Pine Gully Park/Pier.
Dog walking
I walk the sidewalks in my neighborhood quite frequently. But am unaware of city trails.
what trails are you talking about- didn't know we had any to use...if I did it would be for biking
Don't know where they are
I am not aware of the trails available
I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting League City and the trail system.
I skateboard.
The trails are on the other side of 45 and not convenient to ride my bike. I would love to see trails closer to Kemah side, I would ride my bike all the time if those were close.
Off leash dog walking
There are no trails close to Sedona subdivision. We walk the streets due to a lack of a walking space or park.
street
I walk 2.5 miles daily, however, it is rarely on League City's trails. It is so much more convenient walking around my neighborhood that getting to the start of a trail. If I need to drive to a park for walking, I prefer Randolph Park in Friendswood. It has a nice loop trail in a wooded area. I actually visit it far more than LC parks. LC's trails are mostly linear or in subdivisions that I find less desirable.
I love riding my bike long distances on and off trails like hills and clay off road. I would like to see more trails for mountain bikes. I like the concrete trails as well, but more off road stuff would be awesome.

I love riding long distances on my bike. I like the off road trails also (clay and dirt hills for mountain bikes.)
Where are they?
My neighborhood is designed to meet most of these need for me
I use my trails of n my HOA that I pay for.
I don't know of any trails near Calder Dr.
There are no accessible trails near my neighborhood
There aren't any
No trails by where I live in dove meadows
Hiking and backpacking. Scouting events. Sometimes to go to convenience stores. They're great!
Currently I have not utilized the trails. In the past I used them rather frequently with my group of cub scouts.
I was not aware of the trails available. But would use for walking
Hiking, relaxation, just getting outside
We travel outside of league city to bike on a trail not close to traffic
I don't know of any trails in my area.
Walk dogs
Jogging/running and walking the dog
Walking the dog.
What "trails" do we have? If you are referring to sidewalks that connect neighborhoods, I don't consider those to be real trails
Dog walking
Not familiar with cycling trails or I would use them
Looking for more recreation off the road to exercise and enjoy the community.
I would love to walk the trails but none of them are near where I live.
Walk the dog
Dog walking
walking dogs
Roller blade
Dog walking
Opinion of Facility Maintenance and Conditions (Q7)

Respondents had an opportunity to offer their opinions on the maintenance and conditions of the various park facilities. Based on their chosen assessment of the conditions, a rating scale was also assigned, with “Not at All Satisfied” = -2 and “Completely Satisfied” = +2. “Don’t know” responses were not assigned a rating value, and did not affect the calculation of the average rating.

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Most parks received majority “Don’t Know” responses, most likely owing to the respondents’ lack of familiarity with the facilities. Of the City-owned parks, Helen’s Garden and Hometown Heroes were notable for their strong ratings, along with a relatively high number of respondents choosing to select a rating. Hike and Bike Trails, while having a high level of familiarity, also had the weakest average rating. In 2006, trails and bike lanes also had the lowest satisfaction with maintenance.

Respondents also had the chance to offer their own opinion of the condition of other parks. Their answers are provided below.
Other Opinions on Maintenance and Conditions of Park Facilities (Q7)

Over all the parks are well kept, which is a very important. The trails that are there are mostly very nice but they stop abruptly, do not connect well, and there are not nearly enough of them.

League park needs beautification

I am disappointed in the lack of road cycling lanes and trails. Last month I went kayaking clear creek. There were several others on the creek. One jet ski and several fishermen. The water and banks between Hwy 3 and I-45 had a lot of trash. We chose to buy a home last August. The primary factors were outstanding police department, quality of commercial stores, and the cleanliness of parks and facilities.

Horrified at how much money the city put into the big dreams park; horrified at how much damage the city did to our neighborhood when installing the hike and bike trails - leaving us to suffer the damage and now to have to pay for the repairs and maintenance.

Newport park has improved over the past couple of years, which we residents appreciate. It is frustrating seeing the vandalism that occurs, as I have found bullet casings, other drug paraphernalia all on the playground, and one of the brand new tables has been partially melted away by I am assuming a lighter. I know there is only so much that can be done about this, but every time I take my small children out there I have made a habit of circling and inspecting the entire playground before letting them loose.

Challenger park is very nice, however the trails go underwater quite quickly when we've had any amount of rain and become unusable. Every time I have gone out there the trails were not of much use.

Would be better if jogging trails had gravel/clay base like outdoor track and field facilities. It's much easier on the knees than concrete. See Stevenson Park in Friendswood.

Dog waste containers are not emptied often enough and often there is no waste bags.

I really want to see some outdoor lighted pickleball courts!!

Newport Park needs to add the dog park of at least 5 acres. It is a waste of space without the dog park and if it isn't going to be used it should be sold by the city to private development.

It's been a while since I've been to any of the parks. I used to go to Hometown Heroes park at least once per week...usually twice. I really love that park and its facilities!

So many people have golf carts, but we don't have any trails to ride them on. It would be nice if the city built hike, bike, & golf cart paths (multi-use paths).

Cable park

If drainage ditches were mowed more frequently, I would enjoy walking those.

we need to please address the amount of litter in our parks and overall communities.

I feel too much of the city's finances are being spent on areas that are not utilized to their full potential.

We are "over-parked". The quality of maintenance is pathetic.

Walter Hall is effectively unregulated. It's in League City but the city tends to disavow responsibility because it is a county park. That is what I have been told when I submit complaints on what transpires there.

A good example of the problem is the attempt to fix what must be the crony mall losses at the park with the railroad tracks. Who payed off whom on that one. Did ya ever see the anthropology films of the Cargo Cults on Pacific islands: airplane replica trying to lure the real ones flying overhead to land. Yep, cargo cult thinking.

Not yet familiar with trails or parks names.

I get frustrated with the water ponding on magnolia creek trails.

100%

I like the walking trails through the neighborhood where I live.

We need a dog park near South Shore Harbor.

Need updated skatepark

Wish that the hike/bike trails are through out League City. Would like to get from my area (SSH) to Heritage Park or other parks by walking or biking. "5 corner intersection" is very unfriendly when it comes to walkers/bikers. Hike/bike trails are good as long as you stay in your general neighborhood.

Country side, Walter Hall and Challenger are great. They have a mix of activities.

LeaguePark paver and uneven I think permeable surfaces should seriously be considered to keep mitigate runoff from park. The city 's history with league park since expansion of late 1980's to the construction of boundless playground is to do nothing with runoff which has wreaked those along Michigan ave.
Trail need missing links filled. Trails should have sawed joints not tolled joints. Skate park needs lights and shaded structure.

Even though I may not frequent all parks or the boat ramp, I do pass them all, from time to time and notice that they are Well Kept! Thanks.

Need dog park

Does the city take care of Newport and Rustic Oaks parks? Why don't there HOA do that?

I live closest to Bayridge and this park is not given regular maintenance. In my opinion, it looks like the city doesn’t care. Instead of upkeep on the swings, they are completely removed. My children (2) cannot all swing at the same time. I'm sure the apartment complex near by doesn't help the situation but it's a sad underused park. I never see anyone on the basketball court or baseball diamond.

We spend a lot of time at Stevenson Park in Friendswood - the walking path, the splash pad and the park. I wish League City had something comparable.

Hometown Heroes pool should be deeper so as to accommodate year round swim and water polo. It is too shallow!

270 boat ramp, docs need more cleats to tie of boats, pavement needs repair

Lynn Gripon Park at Country side. Would like to see an improved kayak launch than what's currently there.

I would be completely satisfied if they had a large off leash area for dogs

Sorry, been too long in between visits.

Rustic Oaks Park would be nice to have restroom facilities. I understand it's small though.

Lobit park is disgraceful need dog parks at each park so dogs can be off leash

Lobit park is a disgrace

Hike n bike trails seem maintained a few feet from either side of path. Why not up to the backside of people's fences since that is LC property.

Access to assets like the sand volleyball courts is too limited. Why can't they be opened for public play. Such a waste to keep them locked up.

I find most places "OK" but, seem to view them more often than not, as under maintained.

Challenger Park frequently becomes water logged around the playgrounds. I would use that park more if the drainage were better.

I'm afraid to use the trails at countrysid park (only one I know of) due to hearing about assaults and shady people loitering in that area.

Pasadena dog park is great, shady. Mostly satisfied but it is too far away and I think it is dangerous

Lob it park really needs to be improved. Need playground, picnic tables, update pavilion and bathrooms. The whole park needs an upgrade

More child friendly playground at hometown heroes park. The park is mainly for big kids.

LCPD does not adequately enforce the law in Walter Hall Park. I assume this is because it is not city property. However that leaves nobody enforcing the law there, because the Sheriff's Dept. doesn't seem to do it either, maybe because they figure it is within LC city limits.

My wife and several friends are Senior Citizen's. We enjoy being involved with Water Exercise; however, because, League City does not have a covered Swimming Pool we are required to pay to participate with a Community where this type of facility is provided.

Need a dog park and dog friendly trails

We have been pleased with the number of trash cans. I don't know if you could provide recycling containers for paper/plastic but that might reduce solid waste.

Walter Hall is outdated. The park for kids doesn't have level land which isn't safe for kids or parents.

Chemicals off in Pool causing damage to my hair, and very unhappy with a few of the lifeguards and the way the handled my hearing impaired child.

Have not returned even after purchasing a annual pass

There is a baseball field on Walker road and Park Avenue. I'm not certain if the location is owned by the city or the elementary school, but the benches and fencing are in deplorable condition.

Walter Hall play structures need updating. Is a Nature Center and programming planned for the Nature Center? We drive all the way to Armand Bayou Nature Center because LC has no programming. We LOVE Ghirardi park play structure and learning about the plants/water/oaks. League Park has LOTS of shady adult characters loitering in their cars. Hard to keep eyes on two kids with the play structure.

Hometown Heroes playground is MUCH safer. Fun to go after swim lessons. Wish the trees (or at least shade sail additions?) were more plentiful and bigger there, but realize it's probably part of the water/maintenance design plan.

League city parks playground is always littered with trash and cigarette butts :( 

 Tried to run at the Clear Creek Nature Center. Border trail very uneven and overgrown.
There needs to be more shaded areas and easier bathroom access.
The bridge on the magnolia creek is slippery and needs repair. People have fallen and it is a liability. I understand it is not deeded to the city and should be. It is used by all of LC residents.
Love our League City pool.
Walter Hall needs updating. More mulch is needed around the play equipment for safety purposes.
League City Park, needs signs to tell people NOT play, walk, take photos on LiVE track. Totally not safe.
I spend a lot of time at Bay Area park, Nassau Bay Park, All of the Seabrook parks.
Walter Hall Park pond has had a strong unpleasant smell in the past, so I stay away more often than I used to. I suppose it is acceptable that the creek also has, an unpleasant odor as well, but I don’t care for it.
Sportsplex, Lobit and Walter Hall Parks need power washing, paint and general upkeep. County parks are by far in the worse shape. Perhaps the County Judge and Commissioners should have spent the $700K on park refurbishments instead of trying to breach separation of powers in their fight with the judicial branch...
LC needs more walking areas!!
I was married in the Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center. I would like to see some longer distance running and mountain biking trails.
There are no natural surface trails for mountain biking and trail running.
Want to see more natural surface trails for mountain biking.
For the hike & bike trails, there are some areas where you still have to take a sidewalk, so it is very narrow for bikers. There are also places that are difficult to get through with a bike due to the barriers to keep vehicles out, and because the design has 90-deg turns instead of curves. This is especially a problem when pulling a child in a bike trailer.
I believe that either Gripon or Walter Hall Parks could accommodate and support a dog park. The soccer field at Rustic Oaks Park, which is rarely used for soccer games, has potential to be a dog park site.... especially since it has a city bike and trail running through it.
Boat ramp/area at Walter Hall needs work, it gets a LOT of traffic!
Don’t dismiss the statistical outliers. Even NASA admits those are the ones that bite you in the ass!
Disappointed that USA swim competition events can’t be held at Hometown Heroes.
Skate park at big league dreams needs to be made bigger and given some sort of shade and bathrooms.
League City in my opinion has done a wonderful job in the past. Continue doing what has been done. I am particularly impressed with the Police Department.
Went to visit Bayridge Park. The grass was extremely high. Did not get out to play with my dog. Went to another park. Lobit Park has some flooding issues. When I went to visit, other people said there were a lot of snakes at the park. All of the other parks listed are very clean and well maintained. Countryside park has some flooding issues occasionally but it is beautiful park.
The boat ramp at 270 is filthy and embarrassing.
Would love more benches and tables for individual families. More spaces /facilities for parties. More restrooms for areas that don’t have them.
Continue growing the trails throughout the city.
Would love to have bike lanes / sidewalks on all of the major roads.
Challenger park - the areas between play structures can get very wet, making it difficult to navigate with children.
Didn’t know there where that many parks.
in Sedona the 10’ open space East of Section 4 shown in all permit Platts filed with city is being sold as lots in Section 5! How is this allowed to happen?? could be a trail.
Would like to see more hike/bike trails at Challenger Park and a park with jogging/biking trails in the Sedona subdivision.
Hometown hero sis confusing. All the hometown hero signs are at league park. Stupid name for eastern regional park and it cost us a lot of money to rename it.
The bathrooms at Gripon are disgusting. They are always flooded and half the time the toilets won’t flush well.
Some of the trails have the dirt under the concrete washing away, making them unstable and not very level.
The only issue we have with league park is when those caterpillars come in. Tussock moth caterpillars can cause rashes and irritation. As for Challenger Park, I think as long as we’ve been going there at least one of the playgrounds has been caution taped and out of service. The pebble playground surface is super messy and the grass between is full of prickers and ants.
Would like to see officer patrols at Walter Hall Park. I'm a female who likes to jog here alone, and would be good to see officers making rounds. I'm especially nervous after the events that happened at the McDonald's at Hwy 3 and 518 on May 7th. Seems like I'm hearing of more occurrences where people come up Hwy 3 from Texas City to commit crimes in League City.

The Sportsplex has so many issues, starting with only one amazing man in charge of trying to keep it in order. We have outgrown the parking, when soccer and baseball are going on at the same time, it is near impossible to find a parking spot. The restrooms are often filthy and covered in ants and spiders. Near every field there are ant mounds which are so dangerous. The drainage...OMG. I know we have gotten a lot of real rain lately, but in the past, the slightest amount of rain caused cancellations because our fields were never designed with the proper drainage system, therefore they withhold water, as well as the dugouts. Poor design. It is such a beautiful ballpark, park and field, with so much potential for hosting tournaments, etc. but until we address this issues, we will continue to run people away. Please help restore our fields.

Bathrooms at sportsplex & hometown heroes (outside access by pool exit) during the month of May has been HORRIBLE! I am at this park every day.... If there where more actual bike lanes and multi-use paths my scores would be higher.

all the parks I marked on prior screen are always maintained nicely, I was disapointed that the recycle can's were not at the Sprotsplex last time I was there, I'd also like to see more of the neighborhood parks and trails get WATER FOUNTAINS! Our city is HOT and we need access to water on the trails. Most of the neighborhood parks, do not have water access outside theier gates. :( Hometown Heros Park needs port-a-potties NOW. Not awaiting a master plan to implement restrooms for the soccer fields that are too far from the parking area potties. Bathrooms at older parks aren't clean. Non functioning water fountains at Countryside.

Why Not Visiting Parks (Q8)

Respondents indicated a wide variety of reasons why they do not visit parks in the Question 7 list. The top reasons were “I’m not aware of what facilities are available” (44%), “I instead use other parks around League City” (43%), “Inaccessible / too far / can’t walk or bike there” (35%). These results generally did not differ dramatically for the subgroups analyzed in Question 5. The lack of awareness of available facilities was also the primary reason cited in the 2006 survey.

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Respondents also had an opportunity to provide other reasons they do not visit parks in League City. Their answers are listed below.

Other Reasons for Not Visiting Parks (Q8)

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<td>Lack of safe road cycling.</td>
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<td>I am going to one of your parks and looking for your park rules - are dogs allowed at all parks. I can't find any information on your site</td>
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<td>The nearest park is close, convenient, pleasant and well kept.</td>
<td>There is no need to go further.</td>
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<td>I primarily use parks for running/ hiking. Parks without reasonable trails, or are just concrete sidewalks are not what I want. However, they should be safe for all citizens and I intend to visit all the parks. Some I have not visited yet.</td>
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<td>I REALLY would like a fitness trail somewhere near me! I have been looking for one for years. I hear that there used to be one in Lyn Gripon park but that like took it out.</td>
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<td>I live off of Davis Rd and there are not many trails around.</td>
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<td>I want a park where dogs can play off leash.</td>
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<td>We stay in Westover Park where we live &amp; do our walking.</td>
<td>It is safer.</td>
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<td>Cable</td>
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<td>Just not that close to my home.</td>
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<td>Difficult to access lit areas at night - Galveston County tennis courts won't light up.</td>
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<td>Another field with a fence around it and a set of restrooms, somewhere on the property. Nice mosquitoes too.</td>
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<td>I would like to access these parks via bike/hike trails opposed to driving there. We moved from Seabrook and really enjoyed the bike/walk trail system there which connected several parks. We often visit family in Phoenix. They have FABULOUS bike/hike trails which interconnect their parks</td>
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<td>No family member or friends live near them</td>
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<td>Live closer to Friendswood and the Stevenson park has walking trails covered with trees</td>
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<td>I frequent the parks and trails in my area, but if League City has a cable park I will be a regular just as I am at the two current parks in the greater Houston Area -</td>
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<td>We live on the West side of League city. Due to traffic on 518 at peak times, we often just go to parks in Friendswood.</td>
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<td>Not sure where they are.</td>
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<td>Build a top notch cable wake park</td>
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<td>Would go to wake park!!! :)</td>
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<td>Live in Houston</td>
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<td>not enough tree coverage and trails</td>
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<td>I didn't know they existed</td>
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<td>There is no dog park near me</td>
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<td>Although I've found the link on the city website with each park listed, I'd like additional information posted on some of them.</td>
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<td>I have never heard of them.</td>
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<td>When walking our pets, we use the sidewalks available in our own subdivision.</td>
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<td>I didn't know about them. I get into a routine and then don't stray usually for quite sometime.</td>
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<td>We live close to Heritage Park and it meets our needs without venturing further. It is really a great park.</td>
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<td>Like the parks but busy.</td>
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<td>Use parks that are near my home, work and kids' activities.</td>
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<td>activities are not held there</td>
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<td>I use the parks closest to my home which I can walk or bike.</td>
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<td>They do not have pickleball courts.</td>
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<td>I was not aware of most of them.</td>
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<td>I spend just about every day at the skate park.</td>
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<td>No longer active in many of the activities.</td>
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<td>Need dog park</td>
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<td>Lobbit has too many problems ie drug users</td>
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<td>I only use the Newport park because I can walk my dogs from the house</td>
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<td>No pets allowed. Ridiculous.</td>
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<td>There are no dog parks.</td>
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<td>I don't go to parks.</td>
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<td>I don't live in League City; but if I did I would use the parks.</td>
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<td>trails are cement and not any better for joints than running on road</td>
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<td>Need to be able to bring dogs on leashes</td>
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<td>Parks with play grounds need shade covers!!</td>
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<td>Anypark on other side of I45 is hassle to get to due to traffic</td>
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<td>There are no parks near my neighborhood. A city park near Sedona subdivision would be great.</td>
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<td>We go to other bike trails in Houston or Webster clear lake area</td>
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I go to Runge Park or Jack Brooks to ride horses.
We stay around the 96 area sidewalks that go all the
way to Bay Area Park, but right now we can’t as
the sidewalk hasn’t been reconnected near the
Elementary school.
Add facilities for off-leash play for dogs
I have small children and just go to what I know and
has plenty of activities for them to do and is
comfortable for me to enjoy as well.
Either too far to drive or I just haven’t made it out
there yet! Only lived here less than 2 years
I don’t know what is out there, where they are
located. Perhaps easier access to locations and
what they offer would be or at least better
direction on where to find that information
At age where do not use parks
No dog park.
Too small.
Not close to home
Not sure where they are
No dog parks.
Traffic to get to league city
Don’t know where most of them are
take my fur babies to Pasadena dog park
need shaded trails and shaded areas and shaded dog
park
use parks closer to home except I have to go to
other cities to enjoy a dog park. My dog is an
animal assisted therapy dog. Both of us need to
exercise and socialize. We serve in League City.
We would like to play in League City.
Need mountain bike trails.
It is usually it is a time constraint and than not
having access to the facility or park asset because it
is locked and fenced.
Not enough shade.
I want real mountain bike trails
I m an avid off road Mountain biker. I drive to Jack
Brooks park in Hitchcock to ride.
I want a trail close so we don’t have to drive
too far away from where I live or do not provide
what I am interested in enjoying
Did not know they were there.
just moved to area 2 yrs ago, have no children
There are no real safe running trails and no
mountain bike or cycling trails.
There are not enough attractive nature trails and
boardwalks in the east League City area; Clear
Creek Nature Center hours are too limited and
should be expanded after 7 pm
I’d rather go somewhere that is closer to home. Not
too far. Less than a mile away.
Do not know where they are located.
Often walk in Seabrook parks. Like Forrest preserve concept there. Long time resident of suburban Chicago and Forrest preserves and patches much better there. Dallas does a much better job than this area. Walk often in lakes of south shore and believe or not, the Texas city municipal center near where I work (2 miles on work days).

Or too far
Party rentals
Can't bike there

Use neighborhood HOA parks
For "Not interested/too busy", it's really that I'm too busy and can't bike to the parks further from my house because there aren't paved non-street trails that are safe for riding with my child.

theres no offroad mountain biking trails.
See above reasons. I don't like that you don't allow area girls' softball teams, other than city league teams, to use the facilities at the Sportsplex.

I don't visit parks if they do not have a restroom for my kids & if they are too far looking for a good place to fish!

I visit when I have the time and desire
I have never heard of some of these places.

Hometown Heros park pool is TOO HOT for swim team use!

Used to visit some of the facilities when my children were younger and still at home.

Time and location
Not enough natural areas
No dog park with bathrooms, watering station, places to sit in the shade like Bay Area park or similar in friendswood or Nassau bay

All of our parks need more benches, as I am a senior citizen and need frequent rest stops to rest to observe nature, or visit or absorb the sun. This is why Heritage Park is so wonderful!

Where are they???

Only go when Grandkids visit.

No

Need an ice skating rink to replace space center ice rink

Too much concrete and not enough park-- like Walter Hall park.

Not enough quiet space

I live in a neighborhood where I have access to a pool, recreation area (bldg) and walkways....Maintaining and annual improvements are all I see is needed.

Helen's Gardens looks very nice. Have not had the chance to visit.

would be nice if we had a system to get to other parks by bike/walk

I was not aware of many of these parks
Wish there was a dog park.

Love the playground behind The Watershed church. I believe it's Tuscan Lakes but it's perfect for our twin toddler girls and nearby to Hidden Lakes

I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting League City

I'd rather go to League city skatepark.
I do not live nearby
No off leash dog walking
I didn't know the parks were there

All green space in this city is being used to purchase space for businesses and Apartment complexes which will eventually turn into slums and low income housing.

Do not have children
I didn't know those parks exist

As mentioned in a previous comment, it is so much easier for me to take my daily 2.5 mile walk around my neighborhood than getting to the start of a trail. There is no connector between my location and a trail, and if there were I am not sure I would use it since many trails in LC are linear. I occasionally visit Randolph Park in Friendswood, where parking is convenient, to walk its loop trail in a wooded area. Actually my favorite park in the area is Randolph park.

I wish there were more off road mountain bike trails through woods, up and down hills.

Not near my home

Absence of ice skating / hockey rinks....as an avid hockey player, I would definitely use an ice rink on a weekly basis if one was built.

Someone else's neighborhood
I do not skate board or roller blade anymore

Some i have never heard of, such as the watersmart park. I didn't know we had a splashpad in LC.

Walter Hall park is out dated but decent boat ramp from what I recall over 5 years ago. Newport park has had an updated jungle gym, swings and picnic tables put in a few years back but is still out dated compared to other neighborhood parks.

Grilling areas would be an idea for Newport Park. Also a water fountain, and splashpad would be a good upgrade.

Need to build an ICE RINK

Traffic to get there and back.

Wasn't aware of some of them
I had no idea there were so many parks in L.C. Would love to have a map of where they are located.

I have respiratory issues and can't go outside without a mask.
I have only lived here for about a month, previously I lived in Nassau Bay and I still go back to the Nassau Bay park at least once a week.

I like my home environment and need purpose to go to the parks. Children’s events or sports gatherings.

Would use more if biking facilities were more present.

Kids out grown

Kids outgrown them

I enjoy climbing trees with my family. Where there are trees to climb it is not allowed.

I use the parks closest to me. Mostly Newport since my child attends school at Ross. I see many people walking their dogs and they do not pick up their messes in the park. There was also broken glass in the parking lot. Teenagers smoking weed in their cars or out in the open. I go there because it is convenient but If I see those teens there we do not stay.

Why Not Using Trails More Often (Q9)

Similar to the previous question about why respondents do not visit some parks, the survey also posed a question about why respondents do not use the public trail system more often.

**Why Trails Aren’t Used More Often (Q9)**

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<td>Trails don’t lead to where I want to go</td>
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<td>Not interested / too busy</td>
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<td>Facilities are in poor condition / insufficient maintenance</td>
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<td>I instead use other trails outside League City</td>
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A lack of awareness about the availability of trails was by far the most cited reason (54%).

The reasons given by respondents under the “Other” option are listed below.

**Other Reasons for Not Using Trails (Q9)**

- Trails are not shaded or in wooded areas, not very appealing to ride on trails that are near homes or roads
- They are not connected enough and there are not enough trails. Trails that are part of a busy street I do not feel safe on. Trails along busy streets are very nice.
- I don’t feel safe
- would be nice to have jogging trails with running track style ground (soft gravel) and lots of shade (trees). LC is too hot to jog directly under the sun
- Mostly just a busy life style, but this is a past time I enjoy and plan on taking up more as my small children become more independent.
- It’s not connected to Newport
- I know where some of the trails are and I do use them.
- Prefer gravel/clay trails.
- Would like more nature trails and natural biking trails. To go to interesting scenic areas. Near creeks, parks, etc
- Bad knees & climate
- Too far
- I look for trail loops, or trails that link places to visit. The most important function of a trail should be to provide a safe area for citizens to traverse from one venue to another.
- Water accumulation on Magnolia Creek Trails
- They must be dog friendly.
- Lake
- Trails need to have master signage. Detailing trails and maps to where they lead. Also trails need to be more nature and less concrete, not able to use at this time due to medical issues.
- Would like them to feel more like they are part of nature, not just a path from here to there.
- I walk every day, so I would like more trails to give more variety.
- No good bike trails/urban bikeways
- I have physical limitations for walking running and biking
- I use them, but I would really like to see a connection directly from our neighborhood - we have to go along the sidewalk along League City parkway and cross Bay area boulevard to access the nearest trail and a direct connection via the powerline right of way behind our neighborhood would be much better/more accessible.
- Trail system is simply undeveloped.
- There are trails? your kidding of course. All the money is wasted on annexation and providing infrastructure to real estate developers. Wow, those telephone poles in Mar Bella - no bribes, no of course not.
- Trails don’t hook up to sidewalks when I ride my bike to work. I have to ride in the street several times on my 5 mile ride.
- We use trails in Mar Bella and sidewalks in Hidden Lakes. It is dangerous to get to the trails in South Shore neighborhoods because there is not a bike trail (or sidewalk) that connects from south side of South Shore Blvd across 96, then across bridge onto north side of South Shore Blvd. This is bad for pedestrians and bikes but particularly bad, and very dangerous, for disabled folks (like my wheelchair bound brother). Wheelchairs MUST get on busy road. Bikes and pedestrians must get on grass and cross from one side of South Shore Blvd to the other just to find sidewalks.
- no family members or friends live near them
- I have tried to look online for a pet friendly park and nothing comes up.
- N/A
- We do use the magnolia creek/countryside trails
- I live in Houston and only come down to walkboard on Clear Creek
- Please continue to expand and connect trails and greenways.
- Not sure where they are.
- Sidewalk Trail in Lakes of South Shore is not complete and forces you to walk along the street instead of the trail.
- Live in Houston
- The trails are not maintained at the Nature Center on 270 the grass in knee high and the trail is not even walkable because of overgrown trees. If you’re not going to maintain the trails then Mark them as closed so bikers like myself do not hurt ourselves. I ran over a venomous snake and hit my head on a thorny branch this week. Unacceptable.
- Too far from residence
- cant offroad
- The “trails” at Challenger and the Nature center off 270 are in bad condition and are so remote that I do not feel safe. Consider Memorial Park where there is a blend between good visibility and well-
maintained crushed gravel paths. Now THOSE are trails. Plus the trails in League City are so short. Up-to-date trail maps not on Google Maps/Bing Maps (this makes it harder to navigate). Not enough tree coverage, too hot. Generally too hot so I haven’t really looked for trails. New pedestrian bridge on Hwy 270 will be VERY helpful. I have a backyard with sufficient amenities that I don’t need to access any city properties. Too much rain. Don’t want to hike on muddy trails.

Motivation

There aren’t enough.

Wish that the hike/bike trails are through out League City. Would like to get from my area (SSH) to Heritage Park or other parks by walking or biking. "S corner intersection" is very unfriendly when it comes to walkers/bikers. Hike/bike trails are good as long as you stay in your general neighborhood.

We could use a trail map. I supposed it is available at the city website.

I would love to access more trails in League City as more become available.

I would like it if trails would connect to all subdivisions. I don’t want to bike to a trail and go through another subdivision then bike home. (The trails near magnolia Creek for example) They need to connect to the landing subdivision some how behind Gilmore elementary.

I would like trails that are somewhat more challenging. We live in Clearlake and ride 5 days a week. Sometimes driving an hour and a half to get to a suitable trail.

Need more

Sometimes crossing intersections drivers are not conscious of bikers or walkers.

Use neighborhood sidewalks.

Missing linkage

I use the trails daily

Car traffic to get anywhere outside the boundaries of my neighborhood is too dangerous and difficult.

I don’t live in League City, but if I did I would use the trails.

Do we have an online map of our trails that I could find on the Internet? It should show location of car parking & restrooms.

Need access from the Hidden Lakes area

I just recently found the hike and bike trails near me. We have been using them frequently (several times a week) since we found them.

Really what trails?? Other than bike lane on 518, I haven’t seen any. I saw a map of LC trails but don’t think it is valid. (It showed trail along Lawrence road for example - too risky to get hit by car, as there isn’t even a sidewalk and a deep ditch!)

I walk in my neighborhood

Not linked for longer bike rides.

Our "trails" aren’t real trails.

Hot outside

Prefer bike trails to be paved

Not informed

No known trails in the Bay Colony area

I would like mountain bike trails

Wish I knew where these trails are, wish there was better communication of the facilities because I’m interested

sometimes the trails around Rustic Oaks have been used for teens to smoke and use drugs in the woods

Didn’t know league city had trails! Always go to other places for their trails!

Need signs warning about wildlife-re :snakes.

What trails are available for horses.

We do use the trails to ride bikes , but the trails that go from YMCA on 96 down to Bay Area Blvd past Mag Creek and down to Bay Area Park on that hike and bike trail.

belong to a health club that uses all my excess energy

I have to travel on busy roads like 646 or 146 to get to these locations.

I live in bay colony northeapointe subdivision and we have no sidewalk that runs on cross colony drive, which make it dangerous for my family to go on walks.

Would prefer a dog park to trails.

Again I’ve got small children and mostly in a stroller and not sure if trails are stiller friendly or safe.

The trails are next to busy streets and I do not want to get hit by a car

Had no idea we have trails

Need lots of trees and are safe

Dogs not on a leash.

I use the trails daily.

Age

LC needs MORE. Very few in LC and no one can tell me where they are.

I would like wider trails so that bikers and walkers both have more room. It is difficult to bike on most trails when there is someone pushing a baby stroller in front of you or several people walking together.

Wish there were more mountain bike or dedicated cycling trails.

I would prefer a mountain biking trail system.
I'm in a wheelchair. But I would love more trails in the city--I think they are a fantastic idea and my adult children would use them.

Need more gravel hike bike trails near Bay Colony Sidewalks missing in many key spots near schools.

No sidewalk on 2094 towards Kemah

Have not gotten to it

Need more off-road bike trails

There was a man recently going around punching neighborhood residents. I would not go alone on those trails now. Would be nice to have some sort of surveillance.

No way to get out of Glen Cove on bike or walking no sidewalks!!!!

Traffic

Where are they

Much better mountain bike trails in surrounding cities.

Not connected enough locally and regionally.

No off road cycling available.

Poor connection to other places.

Types of pavement, width of trails.

Heat

The off road trails could use some improvements

More interested in unpaved trails.

Just not fun.

I would love to see a map put on the LC website detailing location and mileage of parks

Recent violent attacks, coyote/bobcat sightings freak me out

Too hot.

No good mountain biking trails

I forget they are there. This survey makes me want to explore more.

I use trails I know of daily.

Would like to see better and more trails specific to mountain biking

Need mountain bike trails.

I like to go Mountain Biking. League City has no Mountain Biking trails so I have to Drive to Jack Brooks Park which is the closest trail system.

Trails do not connect. I do use the trails with in the parks and enjoy the walk, would like to see better connectivity between the trails if possible.

The trails I know of are secluded and cement so hard on the joints

Need more mountain bike trails

There are no Mountain Bike trails

There is a small trail by my house in Center Pointe but it goes to City Hall and that’s it, there are two retention ponds where the trail could go around and it would make great walking trails. I think Lobit is awful we practiced football last season needs a lot of work

Use those in my neighborhood near by neighborhood’s trails are better kept and maintained, hence making them far more attractive

I commute 3 hours daily so have to enjoy parks on my way to/from work; it’s not that I am too busy....I simply do not have enough hours in my current day for much leisure activity.

Lack of trails in South Shore Harbour area, other than cement sidewalks.

Only know of one that I feel safe taking my kids Sometimes there are motorized vehicles (golf carts, scooters) using the trails. Not safe!

Too close against busy roads

I use bike trails and have only found trails by accident while riding on roads. I’m not aware of all the bike trails in League City other than the one that runs along 518 and 96 out to I-45. I would also use them more if there was a system that linked the trails together.

Kids are too small to go as a family right now

Trails are not for mountain/off road bikes

Not enough of them in my area to make use worthwhile. My dog and I walk the city streets instead, out of necessity.

Trails aren’t long enough and don’t have enough green space around them.

Can’t use after heavy rain because trails flood

Lighting along trails would be nice and increase safety.

I would like a safe area to ride a bike for exercise.

Trails don’t connect

The drainage is very poor at a few areas of the trails

The hot summer weather is the only thing keeping us from using more trails more often.

I work for a living.

Bike trail starts near I-45 on 96. There are no sidewalks or any other safe way to get to it from the west side on 96. Hike and bike trails on the west side of league city are being abused by golfcarts and 4 wheelers. It is becoming unsafe for my children.

I use the trails close to me. I love how wide the sidewalks are!

Need to be able to bring dogs to play.

Senior citizen

Close to roads, not enough shade or open space feel since they run through neighborhoods. Nothing real nature scenic. Too much being built all around.

Trails aren’t on my side of town.
I want a running trail with mile markers
Lack of free time.
physical condition limits activities
I use the trails
Better crosswalks are needed when trails cross major roads. Specifically, the trail in Magnolia Creek at the Misty Trails and League City Parkway intersections NEEDS a stop sign!!! People completely ignore the crosswalk signals and I have had myself and have seen others have many close calls there.
Safety and the magnolia bridge is a safety hazard
I'm lazy.
Too many mosquitoes
Familiar with rustic oaks but not others
Safe regarding the trail off texas that runs behind and back to kroger at 270. Just seems spooky and lonely and like it would not be safe to use it while alone. The same for the nature center off 270. I would never go alone. I'd feel safer if there were some security-type presence. Also, we née more trails that inter connect and provide real transportation use. Also, 270 could use trail/sidewalks, wide ones, for bicycle and pedestrian. I see too many people cycling and walking down the center turn lane and that is unsafe.
League City needs more bike trails for getting from place to place (not just for leisure). Often I have to ride in the street on narrow curved passage such as main street due to no trails.
Poor drainage in some areas makes them inaccessible, mosquito swarms
Where they cross streets, I wish there was a safer crossing. For example where the trail cuts through countryside south across summer place then across league city parkway, I wish there was a way to ensure that traffic would slow, if not stop.
I frequently walk on the trail through rustic oak parks, then down 518. The sidewalk/trail ends at Bay Area Blvd. I wish there were just a few more yards of sidewalk extending passed Bay Area to connect that trail to the trail that runs along the creek between rustic oaks and country side. Please consider connecting the two!!!
Becoming more familiar with the few miles of trails available would help. It is also true that we have a severe shortage of trails in our city.
Dealing with crossings of thoroughfares can be quite risky, ie speeding and distracted drivers at main and park and other crossings are discouraging. Pedestrian and biker consciousness of drivers is close to nill.

Enclosed dog park needed
Need trails leading to all school along 518 on the west side of town
I use the trails every day!
Trails are scary. Every data you hear of women being attacked on them (not in league city of course, but still.)
Not safe enough to take my 7 yr old
They are not available in my part of town to access the areas I would use them for. They need to be available to access the central parks -- Walter Hall, League Park, Hometown Heroes, Heritage, and Dudney need to all be connected by a series of safe, off-road trails.
There are no "real" trails in League City. I would love to see something like Seabrook has
Most of parks not that well landscaped. Hire a park designer from outside Texas who understands public area design
Water sits on some of the trails along League City Parkway on both sides of Bay Area rendering them useless when it rains
Don't know where trails are and don't know how they're interconnected.
Not always able to find someone who wants to walk on the nature trail when I want to. I do not wish to be on a nature trail alone.
There aren't any natural surface trails
There really aren't any natural surface trails
Walk in my neighborhood (old league city)
The trails are not actually very conducive to cycling, they're really more of walking/jogging trails.
There are 90-deg corners, narrow areas, sidewalk sections with big bumps/cracks/holes, places where you have to get past vehicle barriers that are narrow for a bicycle trailer, etc. The trail under Bay Area Blvd that leads to Countryside Park is often covered in sand or mud due to water runoff which makes that area somewhat treacherous to go through, especially with the drop off into the water right there next to you. Another thing - for those who walk dogs, it would be nice to have more places to throw away dog poop (ideally those little dispensers where you can get a bag as well as toss the filled bag).
Theres insufficient mountain biking trails
Would love some trails closer to homa
I don't feel safe and don't like mosquitoes on trails. I use gyms instead, or my own neighborhood sidewalks for walking.
I don't do a lot of walking and my neighborhood has sufficient walking areas for my needs. But I still recognize the need and support public trails.
This question doesn't apply to me...I use the trails daily.
I use the trails daily
looking for a good place to fish!
If trails were developed for serious users, they
would get used. Need awesome cycling trails!
I'm sedentary! Bad, but truthful, reason.
Too many mosquitoes
None near my house
Drainage after rain the trails around the water tower
flood I don't want to run through ankle deep
water. The power line area is not mowed in that
area either lots of snakes. The power lines are
mowed on either side not sure why they are not
around the water tower
I'm handicapped and in a wheelchair and sometimes
use a cane. I worry I will fall and no one will help
me
Temperature in Gulf Coast too hot much of the year
to get out
I use the trails a min of twice daily. EVERY DAY, hot,
cold, raining or not. Walking with my dog
Don't have trail map or know what trails join
together, where they go, etc. I would love my
neighborhood to be connected to trail system.
Not enough markings.
Not enough rest places. See #8.
Where are they???
Mosquitoes
Go to the Y for indoor walking.
No
mosquitoes
Love the trails! I don't walk as often as I should--
that's the main reason. There are sections I don't
feel safe alone so that is a bit of a hindrance also.
I use my immediate neighborhood walking and I am
very comfortable ...
I use the trails in League City and absolutely love
them. A trail map would be great for visitors and
residents available either online or at the park. I
love the paddling trail maps.
Seabrook has many connected trails allowing me to
run long and in shade.
Trails are too short.
I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting
League City and the trail system
I use them almost daily to run - I wish there were
MORE!
Not dog friendly
Not any around us
I'm really impressed with the new trails put in
around Rustic Oaks, etc. I love using them when I
am exercising, but often I get out of the habit.
Almost got hit by a car when riding bike on Bay
Area Blvd and sprained ankle falling off of bike to
turn it quickly to get out of the way of the car.
Need to keep up with mosquito control.
Need portable bathrooms along trails
We are retired...we use when we can
There are gaps / the trails don't connect
All green space in this city is being used to purchase
space for businesses and Apartment complexes
which will eventually turn into slums and low
income housing.
Old, bad joints
The trails are not close to use. We would use a park
all the time that was close.
As mentioned in a previous comment, it is so much
easier for me to take my daily 2.5 mile walk
around my neighborhood than getting to the start
of a trail. There is no connector between my
location and a trail, and if there were I am not sure
I would use it since many trails in LC are linear. I
occasionally visit Randolph Park in Friendswood,
where parking is convenient, to walk its loop trail
in a wooded area. Actually my favorite park in the
area is Randolph park.
You build them I will come. I like to ride long
distances and sometimes I have to ride the same
trail 2-3 times to get my distance in. Plus I would
like more of road trails.
The sidewalks to not line all of 518 from our
neighborhood and I do not feel safe taking
children on the shoulder of 518
There are still quite a few sections unfinished that
can make their full use challenging
I wish there was more trails especially on the west
side where I like to ride. I like on rode and off
road.
Most trails are off-road, and too dangerous to ride
on-road trails. Shoulders are too small to be safe.
Someone else's neighborhood
I use the trails often
Live off LCPkwy and there are no trails or sideways
to use
most SIDEWALKS that you call trails are not wide
enough next to major streets to be a safe place to
bikes or families walking. So therefore the "trails"
you say we have ... we dont
Use often the trails in NB
Too busy driving over to 59 to ice skate
I usually walk mornings in my own neighborhood
Not completely wheelchair friendly
No idea where they are.
See answer #8
My age
Ice rink BADLY needed
The hassle and danger of getting to them by foot or bike from my neighborhood, The Oaks of Clear Creek, which is completely unconnected by sidewalk and/or trail to any other neighborhood or trail system.
We would like an ice rink
Bad knees- don’t do much walking
distance, I live in Pasadena
Not all trails (the ones I know of) should be concrete, make some like in seabrook.
moved here 2.5 years ago and have worked a lot of hours.
Too short, need longer trails
I do use the trails. I love the trails, and would like to see more of them.
not enough time
Just too busy, but willing to make more time
Haven't had the time lately
Would love a posted trail map
Not enought water fountains and restrooms
To commercialized
I do use trails frequently.
Don't continue through all, have to cross the street often.
Some trails just stop with nowhere to continue, not even across the street
N/A
League city needs sidewalks in neighborhoods to access parks and trails. Sidewalks should connect and allow pedestrians to reach destination without walking in the road.
Deer Park and Pasadena should be the model.
League City should be on the front of development with multiuser paths and bike lanes etc... No excuse
Lack of lighting (especially along 518)
See previous comment.
More trails would be great to connect all of League City and allow us to bike more.
The trails are incomplete.
Not wide enough
Some trails are very short or don’t connect to each other
Not enough trails that are easily accessible.
I don’t go much on the other trails..Challenger park we go to.
Use them daily
Cycle on road
Interested, but often too busy to get there. Do have plans to explore...heat will affect usage (summer is on its way).
Unusual question--assumes a problem. No answer for no problem.

Recreational Program Participation (Q10-11)

In addition to asking about physical facilities, the survey also inquired as to respondents’ participation in the various recreation programs the City offers.

Participation in Recreation Programs (Anyone in Respondent Household) (Q10)

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Special event programming is highly popular, at 60% of respondents.
Respondents also could choose reasons that they do not participate in recreational programs.

**Reasons for Not Participating in Recreational Programs (Q11)**

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<td>Don’t have the programs I want</td>
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<td>I don’t feel safe</td>
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<td>Not interested / too busy</td>
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<td>Instructors / coordinators not of sufficient quality</td>
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<td>I’m not aware of what programs are available</td>
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As with park and trail facilities, respondents identified lack of awareness as the top reason for not participating. Factors such as cost and safety were relatively minor at most. Nearly one quarter of respondents chose “Don’t have the programs I want” which may indicate opportunities for different programs that might attract this group of respondents.

The input of those respondents who chose “Other” is provided below.

**Other Reasons for Not Participating in Recreational Programs (Q11)**

L.C Programs are well done. Really wish there was a Senior Olympics program, it’s the one place L.C. is behind other cities like ours. 
I go when I can, wish I had more time
My children are too old to participate in the sports programs now, but did when they were younger and we were most satisfied with the experience. tennis camp was always great with coach Sam. we miss him. new instructors are good. would be great to have more time options.
I work mostly weekends and nights, just doesn’t fit my schedule currently.
We used the kid’s programs when our kids were young. I do go to some of the programs with my grandkids.
How about a table tennis club or league?
YMCA is my program organization of choice, mostly.
Erratic personal schedule

Need more programs for seniors to socialize through cards, board games, etc.
Y’all are corrupt and promote Space City FC and are as corrupt as they are
I only use recreation facilities for dancing etc.
I have not been a participant in the recreational programs, but I was an instructor for one for a while. I found that they were under-promoted so that most people didn’t even know that League City HAS recreation programs.
My kids do sports/activities in school now that they are teenagers.
Mostly time prevents other activities
Times offered don’t usually work
Physical limitations
We tend to be more nature oriented and we participate in Scouts which is not a specific City program.
There are absolutely no programs for adults!!!

Adults need recreation too!!

Age

Wasn't aware of programs and now I want to go and find them!!

Would like to see more mountain bike trails !!

No adult co-ed sports leagues

Need more off-road bike trail groups

Most things seem for kids. I am 60

Transportation issues, no public transportation!

work out of state - only home on weekends

Access to assets limited

Use to do all the kids sports programs, but the kids

are now grown and gone.

Children are now in college. I do not have time and

am not aware of adult programs

They do not include mountain bike trails

Didn't know of more programs

allergies to pollen in the air

Same reason cited previously

We are empty nested and it seemed a lot of the

programs were focused on families or children.

Safe parking and safe biking opportunities are both

nonexistent throughout Old Town. If there is an

event of interest, such as at Butler Longhorn, it

becomes almost impossible to get to.

No Men's Softball. Big league is not sufficient/too

expensive/bad crowd

My children participated in several of the recreation

programs but are too old now.

programs that interest me are only offered during

weekdays in morning/daytime hours. I work in

Sugar Land

We limit our kids to one choice per semester and the

Scouts program has been our choice.

I don't have enough time.

Don't have kids/seniors in my home. Don't attend

school in LC. park use is for me and my dog only

(use Nassau bay park most often).

I would love yoga -- beginning to advanced -- but it

seems like all of the rec programs at HHP are

directed at seniors, and I'm not even sure that it's

available to a stay at home mom. My kids are

about to start PreK and Parr Kinder, so I could

potentially be using the facilities during the day.

Would love karate or gymnastics, but won't sign

my kids up until both could do it. Youngest is 5.

We participated in TOTS and thought it was a

HUGE waste of money. $75 for 5 classes * 2 kids --
in comparison to soccer or swim lessons... Should

have at least been 10 classes.

The programs at hometown here park are fabulous!

Wish there was a group rate when enrolling a
large family in sports or homeschool gym...adds up quick with 4 kids participating.
City does not have a youth lacrosse or competitive gymnastics program. Also does not have a youth track program.
Specifically at hometown heroes, there are exercise programs targeted to seniors, but none for younger adults. This facility does not meet my needs. Should offer zumba, etc...As well as work out facilities including weight and aerotica equipment.
my children are now grown but we used to use alot of the programs
Youth sports not very organized. A
I have been on a wait list for a water colors class for over a year.
Enclosed dog park needed
Swim program was horrible
Fill up too quickly.
I work odd hours and I am usually working when the programs take place. However, the times should not be adjusted just for one person (me).
My son has autism so not accessible to most rec programs
Only interested in dancing programs.
We did participate weekly in Naperville Illinois. And go to Holliday celebrations. They were much more family oriented
Kids used lots of programs but now they grown up and no longer use facilities
Not interested at this time
kids have grown
Offer more classes at Hometown Heroes at times for working adults (like evening & weekends) / maybe provide weight rooms adults can come & go ?
I expect to get more involved as my child grows up (currently 4) but information about what is available seems scarce, or at least I don’t know where to look.
there are no programs for mountain biking
See above.
looking for a good place to fish!
To busy
Children are grown up now
Children grown and no longer at home.
I don’t always know of upcoming events or programs that I might want to attend.
Participated when my children were growing up
Need close handicapped parking, such as Hometown Heroes and Heritage and Ghirardi.
Where are they???
Have my own programs.
Not interested

Fairly new to the area and not really sure of what is available.
Facilitators are not proficient in organizing.
Ice rink closed
Would love to see Lobit Park turned into a dog park.
It is rarely used now and the community could benefit greatly.
For my exercise and Health purposes I use South Shore Fitness Center
Website is not easy to get around and thus I’ve had issues learning about activities.
mostly the time is bad
The main program that we have shown interest in are targeted to seniors only, but we are not seniors. Would like to see more programs for homeschool fitness and extra curricular activities
Pool should be open early May thru Oct for swimming or exercising - need evening Water Aerobic Classes. No evening programs for Adults offered.
Go to The Fitness Center
Would like to see splash parks for kids
Seems like non residents swarm the place, feels like a soup kitchen line
Did soccer (coached) for years but kids are grown now.
Volunteer coaches do not have enough help to keep the teams organized and running smoothly.
The sign up process online always seems tedious on my iPhone and I don’t complete it. Also the dates when sign-ups start aren’t well advertised and by the time I realize they have started, the classes/times we want are full.
All green space in this city is being used to purchase space for businesses and Apartment complexes which will eventually turn into slums and low income housing.
We need open swim and aquatics for seniors.
Children have gotten older and participate in High School programs. Not aware of programs available for my age.
No ice hockey programs - I would definitely register and participate in an adult ice hockey league if a facility and program was available.
We do not do the major events for fear of crowds
Fee for classes for those under age 55 too high for regular attendance.
Team sports are unorganized from the beginning.
would do more rec programs if facilities were bigger...
League city is old with old guys running the parks and 4B. We have not evolved and are behind the times. Kids and adults want to play rugby,
lacrosse, Ultimate Frisbee and sports from the 20th century let alone the 21st. Child is grown now
Would rather have an ice rink
Programs are designed for people with disabilities
Driving to 59 to Sharpstown ice rink
I moved most sports to other cities or companies because it seems League City is continually cancelling events or rescheduling, and it's too difficult to coordinate with all the cancellations.
Traffic
My son is severely disabled. There are no activities geared towards him.
I want to join a Senior group but cannot find where they meet.
Ice rink BADLY needed
moved here 2.5 years ago and have worked a lot of hours.
time
We need an Ice Skating Rink!!! Something we can do year-round without having to deal with the heat!
dates for registration are not promoted to the community, usually miss the deadline
Pleased with League City Rec. Kids are just now starting sports
Kiddos are too young, so time for us is shortened.
Overall programs are run very poorly. Poor planning, extremely poor communication
Too many crazy parents ;)
Been searching for an adult flag football league but can't find one within a reasonable distance. I read League City did at one point have one however you needed to have your entire team. As a resident of League City who doesn't have many friends with similar interests, getting this together was near impossible for me.
Fees continue to go up on kids program. League City is moving away from family city to a city only for seniors (offering 3 lunches at hometown heroes/wk is excessive, seniors have lower fees than families or kids). It would be nice to have a few swim lesson sessions offered at walker for the older kids so they can get some diving experience.
Also consider dropping the participation trophies for soccer instead of raising fees. I have had 3 seasons, my child didn't get socks and/or jersey (luckily we had same color as previous season & it fit).
I'm a full-time working single mom and cannot take me kids to lessons during the week day. I wish there were more offered for young kids 2-5 on the weekends.
Programs for kids aren't at appropriate times relative to their ages
Too busy
Children now grow...I used to teach swim lessons for league city years ago. Children were involved in most things and day camp...
I work in the evenings and on Saturday so I am working when most programs are held. However, I realize the programs are, and should be, scheduled when the majority of people are available.
kids are getting older, we don't have time/need for too many other activities at this time.
As a taxpayer to the city, I feel I should have a pass, since my taxes pay for the development as well as the support of these facilities. If we can't support the taxpayer than don't improve or add facilities we can't afford to make available to them. Proof of residency should be mandated for participation if necessary. No tickey-no shirty...
I'm almost always scheduled to work when the programs take place
As retired grandparents new to the area, we will grow in usage as time permits and familiarity increases
Potential Park Project Prioritization (Q12)

The survey presented respondents with a list of potential park and trail facility projects and asked them to rate the priority of each for resource allocation by the City. In tabulation, priority ratings were assigned values ranging from -1 (“Opposed”) to +2 (“Very Important”), with no value assigned for “Uncertain”. The average rating for each project is presented value to the right of the chart below.

The respondents identified large parks for passive uses, off-street paths, wildlife habitat preservation areas, and historic site preservations / museums as the top priorities. An indoor soccer facility and a skateboard / in-line skate park had the lowest overall prioritization. These results were very similar to those from the 2006 survey.
Clear Creek Preferences (Q13)

The survey asked respondents about what topics were most important to them regarding Clear Creek. The question applied the same rating scale as in the previous question.

Clear Creek: What is Most Important to Respondents (Q13)

Off-street paths and wildlife habitat conservation were identified as the most important topics, but all topics provided showed some importance to the respondents. These priorities are the same as those named in the 2006 survey.

Respondents also had an opportunity to name other topics of importance regarding Clear Creek. Their responses are listed below.

Clear Creek: Other Topics of Importance (Q13)

public access to residents
I would prefer to see waterfront parks to waterfront residential since almost all of Clear Creek's waterfront is already devoted to residential to the exclusion of other uses and residents.
I like not messing with the nature parts of our city too much. I like to observe, visually enjoy what is meant to be there, and let it be. Plus alligators and gars terrify me to no end, so you won’t catch me any closer than a sturdy dock by the water.
We do not appear to be utilizing our natural setting and location for recreational use.
League City just doesn’t get it, what a very desirable area is like. Hint: West University Place and River Oaks are not preoccupied with expansion. Duh
Side walks
Cable wake park. Very important

We live along the creek and would love to have some sort of public trail or paddle trail that is easily accessible within walking distance.
Exercise equipment on trails
A good cable wakeboard park would bring in revenue to restaraunts, hotels and other retail.
Wakeboard Park!!!
Would be an Amazing addition!
Wakeboard park very important
Cable park
We need wake boarding/cable park.
There is too much vegetation on either side of the creek which inhibits its use. Also, it is full of trash.
More opportunities,programs,recreation,social events,facilities for children with special needs.
Expanded sports complexes to accommodate more sports
Pickleball courts
a dog park! ideally located near other parks, like
Davis Sportsplex. Also a family waterpark would
be wonderful.
interconnecting hiking / jogging / biking trails as
alternate transportation throughout League city
(very important)
Bike lanes on streets for safety of all!
Public access for fishing and expanding the paddle
trail.
A dog park, big, and safe like our wonderful city
Bayridge park my family and I have raised 2
generations here in the same house for 30 years
now and this park is a disgrace! The entire area
around us is building up and renovating but this
park is still the same unsafe and unfriendly park
around. There are little league teams that
sometimes practice in the make-shift baseball field
and it's sad that they have to see us long time
existing neighbors have to see this eye sore all the
time and city workers continuously drive in and
out of our neighborhood and nothing gets done or
mentioned. Just because this is an older
neighborhood of League city and we do not have
HOA does not mean we should be shut out!
I take my kids to the bayridge park for years and
nothing has changed I can barely even get my
stroller into the park through the gate without
walking through mud or dirt or high grass.
We definitely have several runners who are in the
South Shore area and will head towards Clear Lake
Shores and have to run on the street because
there is nowhere else for us to go. It's dangerous
but for those who lead an active lifestyle, we do
what we have to do to get our mileage in...
Please help save the coyote population or give them
refuge in a secured park.
Dog park, very important
Mountain Bike single track
True mountain biking trails that are not paved or
crushed granite that follow existing bayous and
other available terrain.
the number one concern is to have dog parks in our
city that are accessible to all residents across the
city.
Because LC does not have any mountain biking trails I
feel like this is very important.
Mountain Biking is very Important to me and there
are no trails close by.
Clean clear creek, take steps in combination with
other authorities to improve the water quality
Mountain bike trails - very important
we are within 1 hour drive to the 4th largest cities in
the USA and are blessed with such beauty,
openness, nature and water....yet it is massively
under developed and utilized on many fronts
(environmental conservation and education,
attractiveness and access)
waterfront parks can be detrimental - they can
courage lurking alligators
Distance markers on walking / hiking trails
I recommend steering clear of touchy-feely
"environmental" emphasis which is mostly hype
and off-putting for many people. You know that
the wetlands can't be developed no matter which
way the issue is spun, so why not just revert to the
plan of 10-15 years ago to connect all of that land
in a trail system? You got Dudney set up, but what
about the similar tract north of Clear Creek Village,
catercorner from Challenger Seven? Who
dropped the ball on that one? I know LC was in
negotiations to develop it as a similar natural area.
Regarding question 14, same comment applies -
why are you spinning it in terms of "sensitive
environmental lands" and the like? Please stop
pandering to greenies (of which LC doesn't have
many anyway) and just evaluate the situation from
a practical perspective of highest and best use,
which in the case of wetlands, is low-impact
recreational use because everything else is
naturally precluded.
Would love to see a "Boardwalk" along Clear Creek.
Need more sports fields!!
Restrooms on the neighborhood parks
Dog park very important!
Need a dog park. For a town this size it's ridiculous
not to have one.
Conservation is going to become important with the
rate that we are growing. Without the foresight to
preserve our natural habitats we are going to
overgrow them.
Very important - parks can be a combo of manicured
green spaces and habitat conservation
Kinda like what the Woodlands have.
Plenty of well-maintained, off-street paths would
make the appeal of our city jump exponentially.
The upgrades, assuming they would not flood or
wash away, would be amazing.
Dog park enclosed
This is impossible but I wish we could make Clear
Creek as clean and beautiful as it once was. It was
one of the most places in the state a hundred
years ago.
We really don't have nice trails for jogging
These are all very important. Help us grow an active outdoor community.

Dog Park
Very important - natural surface trails for mountain biking and trail running along Clear Creek
Mountain bike trails along the creek
I am uncertain on development of waterfront parks because I would want to be sure that the development doesn't eliminate or damage wildlife areas. As fast as things are being built, I fear that in no time all the land will be developed from the coast to Conroe, with little space for wildlife.
lakes for open water swimming
Since we, as a city, advertise as waterfront, and use water-related logos and symbols and photos in advertising, then free waterfront facilities are important.
looking for a good place to fish!
We need to preserve natural habitat areas for wildlife. Very important
Need unimproved green spaces to both support wildlife and prevent suburban blight. The city symbol used to be a majestic oak - it feels like a more appropriate symbol would be a bulldozer toppling an oak. Land is bulldozed routinely and left vacant as an "improvement". In southern NJ green space is purchased and preserved in an unimproved state by the city for the residents - how did we end up less green than NJ?
Water area. Acquire and develop
Ice Hockey Rink would be fantastic and it's very important
I would place high importance along with my family and friends to have an ice rink available in the area.
Outdoor theater...very important
Ice rink for hockey, figure skate, public skate and curling. Very important.
Ice skating rink facilities for hockey and figure skating
Very Important: Ice Rink!
League city skatepark is my number one priority, I'm there almost every day.
Off leash dog walking
Get the bikes off the streets. They think they own the road but run the traffic lights so make them ride on trails.
an Ice Rink. since the loss of Space City Ice people have to travel too far.
The hiking/biking trails are nice in our section I really wish we could access them from our neighborhood via 518 sidewalks. We have to intentionally load 5 bikes to enjoy them.

An ice rink would be very useful. A lot of families we know travel an hour or more to ice skate.

An ice rink
Ice rink for hockey and figure skating
Please, no bars or restaurants on the creek
Ice rink BADLY needed
Ice Hockey
Ice Rink - Very Important
ice skating facility- high
Ice skating rink for figure skating and youth/adult ice hockey leagues and games: Very Important
We're supportive of all of the above as long as it is public land, not acquiring private property or infringing on the rights of property owners.
Please consider an ice rink. With the closure of Space Center Rink there is not a rink in the area. With the number of people that participated in figure skating and ice hockey, there is a huge need for a rink on the southeast side of Houston.

Ice Rink very important

Ice Rink. This side of Houston lost a very important sports facility for its surrounding communities when Space City Ice Station shut its doors. Numerous families were forced to quit their on ice activities due to the inconvenient locations of the remaining rinks. PLEASE help us offer another form of exercise and recreation for our communities in Southeast Houston!!

Ice rink

Ice rink for hockey, figure skating, curling, broom ball, recreation and other community programs. Very important to me.

Would like to see ice rink due to Space city closing a few year ago.

ice rink

Since Space City Ice Station closed, an ice rink would be a VERY IMPORTANT addition to the area. There were thousands of people displaced or were unable to continue ice skating, hockey, curling, broomball, etc. as a result. It would be great if League City could add this in the very near future.

Ice Rink, Very Important

City ice skating rink

Want an Ice Rink, Very Important!
We need street bike lanes like webster

It bothers me when I see people fishing in Clear Creek. Don't they realize that street sewers plus Biohazards run into the creek. I worry these folks are ignorant to how dangerous anything in Clear Creek is dangerous.

I'm afraid to boat or fish in Clear Creek because of all of the pollution. If my neighbors dump toxic chemicals in their yard, the go into the gutter and
the creek. My grandfather told me how great Clear Creek was in the 1920’s because it was really "Clear" and it was beautiful.

Priorities for Additional Lands Acquisition (Q14)

The City has the potential to acquire additional sites for parks and recreation facilities. The survey asked respondents what level of importance they would place upon various uses for new parklands. The question used the same rating system of importance as in the previous two questions.

Respondents identified potential trail corridors and drainage facilities as the overall most important land acquisition purpose. Future sports complexes rated as the overall least important purpose. There was a similar question on the 2006 survey, though with fewer answer options than the current survey. Nevertheless, the top land acquisition priorities were generally congruent between the two surveys.

Park and Trail Facilities Access Standards and Objectives (Q15-19)

The survey included a series of questions on access to and connectivity of parks and trail facilities. The first question asked about the prioritization of access to parks. The question was measured with a rating system where 2=”High Priority”, 1=”Medium Priority”, and 0=”Low Priority.”
Respondents put the highest priority on walking access to a neighborhood park from home, followed by bicycle access to a neighborhood park. These results matched the 2006 survey.

Respondents were asked to quantify their preferred maximum walking and biking access time to neighborhood parks.

Over half (55%) of respondents indicated that a neighborhood park should be within a 10-minute walk of home. Nearly one third (31%) indicated the park should be within a 5-minute bike ride. These represent slight increases from the 2006 survey results (48% and 25% respectively).

The survey also asked specifically about proximity and access time to open space.
Respondents were less likely to desire close proximity to open space. Over half (52%) said that open space could be at least a 15-minute walk from home, and 49% said it could be as much via biking. These results are very similar to those generated by the 2006 survey.

Respondents indicated that proximity to parks, trails, and green spaces were important in their choice of home location.

A very high share of respondents (79%) indicated that such proximity was at least somewhat important. The final question of this set asked respondents about priorities for trail connectivity.
Respondents stated that accessing other park and recreation facilities was the most important priority for trail connectivity. Accessing workplaces was least important.

Respondents could name other destinations for trails. These answers are provided below.

### Other Destinations for Trails (Q19)

- Major hubs like shopping centers, community centers. Trails should connect to each other and provide alternate means for people to travel around league city without cars
- Trails need to connect to each other.
- **Cable Park** Please fix the sidewalks in neighborhoods!!! We can't even walk in our neighborhoods because of the city requirements that we not water during spring/summer 2011 drought -- and that caused the sidewalks to buckle so bad that now we trip when trying to walk on sidewalks. Please stop looking for ways to spend more money on new things when you don't even repair what is already existing.
- **City/municipal pickleball courts with lights outdoors.**
- **Take pride** The most important function of a trail should be to provide a safe area for citizens to traverse from one venue to another. This should be the primary goal whether for recreation or functional use.
- **The new dog park, when it's built** It would be nice to have a safe walking/biking sidewalk connecting Hometown Heroes to the neighborhoods near it. Many people have been hurt/killed on Dickinson Ave. so we can't walk or bike to that park even though we would like to.
- **One neighborhood to the other.** And keep kids off busy fm518 Ideally trails would connect with other additional networks of trails in other neighboring cities
- The city is not walkable. It's almost impossible to cross the train tracks.
- A person who enjoys biking does not consider a 2 hour round trip a big deal
- **Wakeboard Cable Park**
- **Cable Wakeboard Park**
- **Cable Park** I feel that this is a gross misuse of tax dollars. Use it to clean up all areas in the city, improve drainage, clean ALL ditches, remove trees from all power lines, improve traffic flow on FM518 west of IH-45; improve access to Ross Elementary and Creekside Intermediate to get the cars off the street; move stop light at Wray's AC back to Ellis Landing Blvd or by Ross Elem/COM intersection. Traffic is horrendous.
- **Events, facilities, programs for special needs children.**
- **Place to get drinks/rest out of the heat**
- **Dog Parks**
- **Pickleball courts.**
- **General fitness**
- **Library**
- **Dog park, off leash area for dogs**
- **The Ned and Fay Dudney Center needs to be safely accessible by walking and bicycling.**
- **Scenery**
- **Bike trails for leisure Biking.**
- **Link trails**
- **Look at what Seabrook Trails dies. I wish we had that here.**
We like to ride to parks or just take trails to exercise. Right now we only have a place to ride from the YMCA on 96 down League City Parkway past Bay Area Blvd and take the trail over to Bay Area Park and then come back and back home. The trails don't connect any place else in league City for us to ride our bikes. As a triathlete, it would be nice to have long distance, scenic routes away from heavy traffic. Dog Park! A big, nice, safe park with amenities like Bay Area Park

Dog park
Libraries, community center, city hall

Dog park
neighbouring communities (i.e. Kemah)
Mountain bike trails
Other regional trails
other trails
Safe sidewalks to get downtown & Walter Hall Park. This will reduce traffic for events.

dog parks!!!!

Off road mountain biking trails
Biking trails
the connection should be to as many in the above list as a possible. Trails should be an attractive alternative to cars and promote Pokémon Go

Dog Park
Access to mountain bike trails
subdivisions and communities
Dog Park
Dog park

Your not asking the right questions in this survey. It doesn't matter how far people have to walk or bike to get to a park if the walking and biking routes are not safe due to poor pedestrian and bicycling access (e.g., substandard sidewalks or no sidewalks or bike lanes whatsoever).

We need sidewalks not trails to grocery, etc in the low to med income areas.

Close Indoor Swimming Pool.
Clear Creek/Clear Lake (water views)

Extended trails to connect different neighborhoods
It would be wonderful if bike trails could intersect with other regional bike trails so people could commute to work on bikes.

Community spaces.

N

Honestly, encouraging more cycling, walking, and access to sidewalks and nature would be an excellent improvement and selling point for this already wonderful city. I'd like to think that with all the development this city is undergoing, our civic leaders won't forget that we are blessed with natural surroundings that help us all to decompress and spiritually flourish in order to give back to others.

Dog park
The taxpayers should not be paying for this.
Youth sports areas
Not sure.
Church

Having the option to walk safely throughout the community versus having to drive everywhere or to most destinations would be quite an opportunity. Sounds like a lot of redesigning of communities required and zoning, too. Tired of high density traffic.

I really like how The Woodlands planned their trails. It's like a completely separate network within the town. They never ran along streets (& if they did, they had a wall of trees shielding them so you couldn't see the road) While I wouldn't use it for utilitarian use (actually getting somewhere because I needed to be there) I would use them as a nice covered walk on a Saturday.

None
City recreational facilities (ball parks, ball fields, pools, etc.)

WALKING TRAILS/PATHS/SIDEWALKS
None of the above; most people drive. Walking is not a priority option outside of one's immediate neighborhood.

A dog park
Historical sights such as old school house and museum. Also it would be nice for a trail to go to the new animal shelter. Possibly the shelter could have a historical looking exterior to fit in the historical area.

Dog Park
Wildlife viewing and preserves.

All of the above would be AWESOME ! Man, I'd be in some serious shape & it would help alleviate traffic also !

I would very much like to safely walk to the shops near my home

Other than destinations, it's also important to me that you can make a loop via the trails, to just go out and get exercise with a minimum of 10 miles, but ideally more. I'd love to be able to go for a long bike ride and stop for lunch somewhere, or get some ice cream, or go swimming or something like that. So far, I've been able to ride from Westover Park to the restaurants on the northeast corner of I-45 / FM-646 interchange, but there are some dicey areas (narrow/uneven sidewalks, the I-
45 underpass). I’d love to be able to do more of this throughout the year. To a splash pad or pool in the summer, to the library, etc.

off road trails one park to the next

Museums

Trails are not important to my household.

looking for a good place to fish!

To my kids friends houses. A trail between subdivisions so the can walk or ride to their friends easily

Dog parks

Restrooms!! Many of the parks I bike or jog to don’t have bathrooms or water fountains. Both are needed. The Ghirardi Water Smart park is great because it does have these.

Paths to Gilmore Elementary from Claremont Schools

Off leash dog walking

All are very important to improve quality of living and promote a healthy lifestyle.

I just use the trails for exercise and recreation. I don’t know of anyone that uses the trail system for transportation or access.

what about golf carts??? Make trails big enough for them..

More off road trails for mountain bikes. I like the concrete trails as well as natural trails through the woods on dirt and clay, up and down hills.

Ice Rink

Restrooms

Historical sites in LC

If there are more trails connecting with citizen access to maps of trails, this could encourage less vehicle use.

I won’t be using trails

All neighborhood lakes should have a complete trail around the lake for safety. The Lakes of S S has a partial path and NO PATH at all on the lake behind Summer Cape Circle homes. Money was given to the HOA to finish it, but the homeowners on bury it. It is a TERRIBLE SECURITY RISK to take children off of the lake path onto the main street path on Austin. The City of LC needs to correct this.

To the ice rink!!!!!!

I’d like a path to a future ice rink!

Municipal facilities like the library!

Ice Hockey

Ice Rink would be nice.

Ice Rink!

water fronts

We are considering a downsizing relocation to League City while continuing to work at NASA. If an ice rink were added to the area, that would seal the deal. We drive all the way across Houston to the Bellerive Ice Center (Sharpstown) 3-5 times per week right now!

other trails and larger trail system

Ice rink

Trails should not connect to crowded retail or restaurants. Trails should be a getaway from the busy side of life, not become its immediate neighbor. I feel if there were a trail behind, let’s say, a grocery store, you would have unaccompanied teenagers and kids back there just because it’s close by and they would disrupt the peace and tranquility of its original intention. Not to mention offering a place for underage drinking and drug use due to its ease of accessibility. I would also expect to find more trash and thus greater need for upkeep in these scenarios.

Bank, post office

This almost implies you’re using the term "trail" as loosely as possible. A trail is meant for a walk, jog, bike ride, or hike. Not to get from my house to a shopping center or restaurant. If this refers to a sidewalk as a trail then the other 18 sections need a redo.

Other neighborhoods

Places for dogs, small and large divisions

Connect current roads with big shoulders for cyclists and other vulnerable road users i.e. 270 between 96 and Nasa1

Most drive to their destinations, but parking areas are of concern.

Recreational trails

Amphitheaters and other recreational facilities.

EVERYTHING!!

Ok

Unknown...too costly. Use tax dollars for city library

Paying for Parks and Recreational Facilities (Q20)

The survey inquired as to respondents’ preferred means of providing the fiscal resources for improvements in park and recreational facilities and programming.
Nearly four-fifths (78%) of respondents would support re-allocation of other public spending toward parks and recreation. Increasing local taxes was the least popular, at 29%.

**Other Comments for Parks and Trails Improvements (Q21)**

The survey gave respondents an opportunity to provide open-ended input regarding the City’s parks, trails, and recreational facilities and programming. These comments are listed below.

**Other Comments from Respondents (Q21)**

- thank you for providing this resource for feedback.
- L.C is always expanding, making it hard to keep up with need. A very important challenge. Those responsible certainly seem to understand this.
- This city is too large to not have adequate fitness facilities available for the community.
- Would like to see a Cable Park
- Please do not change the integrity of League Park..... change for change sake isn't always the right thing to do.
- do not take money away from roads. They are in horrible condition in this city. I came from one of the poorest counties in this state and their old farm roads are a hell of a lot better than this cities. Get your shit together about the real things that matter like roads not trails and parks. Texas Ave. got skrewed out of the sidewalk it should have gotten in that switcher-roo repaving crap. you will have to redo it soon its already going south.
- We are very pleased to see the new water and drainage works in Clear Creek Village. Road improvements and cycling lanes would be nice. This a beautiful city. The community has been superb.
- jogging trails with gravel ground and tree shade
- PLEASE REPAIR EXISTING SIDEWALKS! Please stop tearing up neighborhoods to install new hike and bike trails then bailing on your responsibilities!
- Please consider beautifying water drainage/holding ponds. These are available to put walking trails around and trees and making nice green space.
- I would like to see something along the lines of the Seabrook trails. Not only is it the kind of venue that runners like myself enjoy (unlike the tiny loops at Hometown Heros and Walter Hall), but it would also generate a lot of income for the city. As an example of that, check out the attendance at the Seabrook Lucky Trail Marathon half marathon, relay marathon, and 5K. That's a complete weekend of thousands of people coming to town and spending money locally. Hotels, gas stations, restaurants, grocery stores, etc. ROI for the city is a good thing.
The recreational programs should work on training referees. This helps children learn the correct rules. As well as not feeling under valued as a player when proper calls are not made. The program also should realize that as children get closer to 4th and 5th grade, these programs should be focused more on coaching the skill to prepare than for intermediate and high school.

Our goal should not be development for the sake of development. There is very little undeveloped land remaining in the city, and to the greatest extent possible it should be preserved, and expanded where possible.

In reference to the discussion about the possible dog park in Newport Park, I wanted to voice my opinion of being in favor of the idea. Our neighborhood is older and has fewer amenities as it currently stands, and could use the modern feature. I feel that the neighborhood is in a state where younger, more active families with small children are moving into these homes (which this describes my family) and a dog park for us to take our family pets to would be a great plus to this awesome area! Also, there are few sidewalks through the neighborhood. I see many people like ourselves out walking our dogs, creating a traffic hazard potentially. This gives the residents a safe area to let our pets play and interact, separate from the kid play area at the park. I look forward to hearing the outcome of the decision, as I truly feel this will enrich the neighborhood for current and future residents.

Would like to see more resources put into the Newport Park, such as walking trail, baseball field, thinks for kids to enjoy and older adults to use.

The city should check all "associations" who wish to partner with them and have the ability to audit their books.

I appreciate the opportunity to express my choices.

League City needs dog parks

Good job Parks Department!

Pickleball would be a great addition to league city in the form of permanent (not a bring your own net) courts. Convert some unused tennis courts to pickleball - or make some new ones. They will be used frequently. And with the right number of courts, lots of tourism income for restaurants and hotels will be generated. People travel ever week from as far as Katy-Galveston to play pickleball all over the city. There aren't enough courts. Additionally, tournaments would draw lots of people from other cities, states, and countries. The demand is here and now. And there are tiny cities in states that don't match the population of league city with nearly more outdoor courts than people!

Please build an ice rink

Have not explored all League City has to offer. Trails would be good for students walking to school and keeping bicycles off public streets.

All trails seem to be on the west side of 45 in League City.

Parking at Arolfo center, Sportsplex, and Hometown Heroes could be increased and improved.

Parks and trails should be in areas that utilize the location of the city on the water. There is no access to water other than boat ramps. It should encourage tourism by providing places to fish, paddle, bike. Attract businesses around League City that would attract families to the League City park, (i.e., pie shop, shaved ice, ice cream, etc. and provide a ground/dancing fountain for parents to bring children to run and play in. Keep parks usable and tranquil by routing through traffic away from recreational areas. Concession for paddling at Heritage Park. Promote places for seniors to socialize and congregate, buy and drink coffee, eat play cards, etc. Promote the parks and senior programs. Through traffic should be kept away from places of recreation to provide an escape from the "city" traffic and sounds. No one ways to use a park that is bombarded by sounds of traffic.

Too many apartment complexes have been allowed with not enough open spaces and parks. League City is not the place we want to be any more because of the massive growth is has seen. Traffic is horrible! Can't WAIT to get out of here as soon as we retire!!!
Please use the primary goal to include The most important function of a trail should be to provide a safe area for citizens to traverse from one venue to another.

In that vein of thought, as I live off Hwy 96, I would propose a trail linking Hometown Heroes to downtown Main street venues, and link Hometown Heroes to Hwy 146 via a minimum 8 ft. wide trail. This is the minimum trail width for safety. I would volunteer in anyway I can to make this happen for League City.

No

Yes. We need a dog park. PLEASE.

Why do we allow land to be clear cut before there is a building permit or any clear planned use for the land. We need more green and less concrete. Everything green helps our environment. We need all the help nature can give us to clean the air of man made pollution.

We need a dog park. If the city owns a city park, even if it is in Neighborhood, then it should be used for a purpose that is greatly wanted. This town is waiting for a dog park. I drive to La Porte dog park & give my support to their businesses when I’m there. I would consider moving to a different city because this one is not fulfilling my needs.

I’d rather spend money on more parkland than parking garages and "attracting business," whatever that means. By park land I mean open spaces and walk bike trails, I don’t think we need a stadium.

Cable ski park please

League city cable park

There is a lack of sidewalks and biking lanes in communities on 2094. I find it dangerous to bike with my kids anywhere; we have to be very careful and creative on our route.

I think a cable park would be amazing!

I’ve heard some talk about getting a cable park in League City and think that would be GREAT! My friends and I drive way too far to get to one, now. It would be awesome to have one here!!!!

No

Cable park!!!

Cable park

Use the dog park money of 50,000 to use towards an amphitheater.

I would like to see the creek cleaned up and used as a paddleway...canoes, kayaks...paddleboards. We are wasting a valuable resource. More fishing areas along the creek!

No dog parks.

Love what was done with the rain garden on Louisiana!

I think there is a lot of waste in the administration, upkeep, and planning of many of the city parks. I will be more specific after a thorough investigation.

More attention needs to be given to the most eastern zone of League City. Some of these neighborhoods have been here for decades and they contain your most loyal residents. Treat them well.

League City absolutely needs a dog park and more natural areas with habitat protection and hiking trails will keep this a great town to live in.

I just think league city should care more about the people that already live here instead of trying to get more people to come here.
It saddens me to see so many natural habitats bulldozed down to make enormous parking lots for yet another mattress store, nail salon, gas station, etc. etc. When I moved here I really enjoyed seeing an occasional coyote, the hawks, a bobcat, and multitudes of songbirds. Not any more. I now have cars, and more cars, and stoplights because instead of dense woods there is a Krogers (because the one that was 1.1 miles down the road wasn't good, or something.) And all those other habitats across the road on 96 -- GONE! No more natural cooling, natural air filtration, biodiversity, quietness, free wild blackberries - instead, I'll get a light reflecting, hot cement parking lot. THAT is what I hope to stop happening to the yet untainted parts of League City.

Save the Trees!

I find the current loop in Mag Creek/Rustic Oaks to be fantastic in scope and maintenance. Kudos to the city and the workers. I would like to see the trails around Countryside brought up to similar width and condition and expanded as the trails there are nice due to the shade/trees (never going to be the case on most of the RO/MC path).

We need a large space (at least 25 acres) with walking trails for the many people who want to exercise themselves and their dogs daily. Recently I visited my sister in Minnesota and she has 5 dog parks within 20 minutes drive of her house. Most of them require some type of annual fee, and are maintained by a combination of volunteers and county or city employees.

The space on League City Parkway between Westover Park and Magnolia Creek needs to have the trees taken down as it is not safe. Can't be seen when walking thru there and snakes have been out a ton this year.

There are tons of kids walking on fm518 from school. This is dangerous. Please make a trail that connects neighborhoods through green spaces to keep them off busy roads. No dog parks

We are so privileged to live in the midst of a sub-tropical eco-system. Let's please work together to take care of and protect our entire eco-system.

Green spaces and wildlife management is very important and we must preserve the land and keep it from being used as commercial space.

I think too much emphasis has been put on hike/bike trails and neighborhood parks. Most of the neighborhood parks within the city are magnets for vandals and drug activity. Park funds should be allocated to police the existing parks, and NOT add new facilities. There are too many as it is now. Funds are being wasted on leisure and not on upgrading sewer and storm water drainage in older subdivisions (Ellis Landing and Newport). Streets are not repaired in a timely manner, or to a standard that will last longer than 6 months, storm drains are plugged with debris so water cannot drain off the streets. NO NEW TAXES, NO TAX HIKES -- WE ARE TAXED TO DEATH AND MONEY IS BEING WASTED ON FRIVILOUS PROJECTS AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE UPGRADED IS NEGLECTED.

Boundless playground needs some maintenance. The music area doesn't work well lately

I would like to see a canoe/kayak launch on Robinson Bayou near Red River BBQ

Thank you for doing this! I was really surprised when we moved to this area by the lack of an extensive trial network - I have great hopes for good things to come. I have one issue with trails near us - they are often flooded for a good portion of the year making them pretty unusable during those times. So, whatever is done, potential for flooding needs to be considered in the planning process.

Please acquire the open space between League City Parkway and Hometown Heroes Park. Ideal for sports fields, such as additional soccer and softball, making League City a destination for sports. Much better use than another strip mall.

What is taking you so long to get any forward movement on this issue? You have been sitting on existing funds for years.

As you affirmatively buy and expand the city limits - you herein pretend to be serious about the quality of life in the existing areas.
We need more classes, activities for babies, toddlers other than library and for free. We already pay lot of taxes and only benefits school age kids and seniors. Young family need a break and have fun and educational activities for free.

Let's not only be the fastest growing city, but the greenest and most healthy city too! Many other cities have extensive trails and bike lanes and are more healthy as a result. Our trails do not often go where I need them or end abruptly, and we have no designated biking lanes along the roads. I bike to work every weekend in the summer, and would probably bike more if I were not afraid of the convoluted route on side streets that I must take for fear of getting hit. We need bike lanes on the streets and as many trails for walking and biking as possible. I would be willing to pay a large increase in taxes if this would improve biking/walking access in League City.

Just to please build a sidewalk at the intersection of south shore harbor entrance and league city pkwy. If people ride their bikes or try to walk to HEB from South Shore, the journey to cross the south shore entrance is very risky. Thank you

Need more sidewalks.

We would REALLY like water access to Clear Lake for small non powered craft such as kayaks, SUP, and windsurfers. Today we can actually es Clear Creek but it is a long way to get to Clear Lake. We have found private neighborhood mini parks but the signs state access is restricted to residents ...we do not live there.

The bridge at South Shore blvd and 96 REALLY NEEDS sidewalks on it and to/from it. Or a pedestrian/bike path parallel to the bridge. But we really need wheelchair (and bicycle) accessible sidewalks on both sides of the north side of South Shore blvd. Accessibility to wheelchairs, bicycles, and pedestrians is VERY DANGEROUS (not accesible for wheelchairs) right now ...need to go on the busy road.

More fishing access would be great.

Cable park

We should build a cable park in League City. I believe it would be an amazing addition to our wonderful city.

No

need community exercise progrsmd

Cable wakeboard park please

I would love to see more on the West side of League City and easier accessibility from the north side of 518

Build a wakeboard cable park... And they will come.

I think our city should have more off street bike trails to get around the city. Our parks, open spaces and trails should be in the center areas of the city and a business kept in a Central Business district (Near 45 and outer limits of the city.)

What I am familiar with seems in good condition overall and is well used. Keep up the good work. Expansion might be nice and I am willing to pay for some.

Thank you for asking for community feedback in service to the people

Build the cable park. Add on to the skatepark or build one with a bowl or some sort of vert.

The area needs a complex that includes a wakeboard park. It would attract kids and adults alike, increase local tourism, and is in a growing market.

Build a 3 lake cable wakeboard park (advanced and novice oval lake, plus beginner straight lake). It's a park that locals would enjoy and people would travel to come to...and spend money.

We need a wakeboard cable park
I would like a cable park to be built in league city. I think it would be great for the city.

Cable park very important

Open a wake park!

Go Visit BSR in Waco!

Need shade at the parks because of the heat. Add cooling off stations at the parks.

Would love to see a cable park

Sidewalks should be completely straight, not winding like on South Shore Harbour and 96 behind Kroger. When you’re pushing a stroller you are completely zig-zagging. Yes, the road curves, but zig-zagging is a waste of time and money.

I believe a cable wakeboard party would greatly increase the city's visibility in the state and nation as wakeboarding is growing exponentially and is a wonderful and positive sport for people of all ages.

IMMEDIATELY STOP BUILDING ALONG CLEAR CREEK WATERFRONT!!!!! STOP RUNAWAY CITY COUNCIL & CITY MANAGER!!!!! STOP BUILDING APARTMENTS & MATTRESS STORES!!! MAINTAIN EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE & PARKS!

Cable Park

A cable park would be an incredible addition to the community.

Allow cable park building

Would love to see a cable park, would bring revenue with the amount of people that would come to use it

A cable park might be an attraction to the city. A user fee should be implemented on the cable park.

Would love to see a cable park

I feel League City's taxes are already TOO HIGH. Any additional spending for parks is unacceptable. We DO NOT need another Big League Dreams disaster.

Focus on upgrading infrastructure, roads, drainage especially in older parts of town more than parks and open spaces. The infrastructure, roads and drainage in some of the older parts of town has not changed or been improved since League City was incorporated. People in these areas need to get some priority over constantly building new things for new residents.

League City Cable Park

I think a cable park would be a good fit for the area and would draw people into League City from the surrounding areas.

There should be offroad biking parks, like Jack Brooks Park in Hitchcock. The city could charge entry and they would make money. Most mountain bike parks are maintained by a mountain biking community all over houston a lot of the members live in League City and Webster and would flock to any new trails as soon as they open.

We need a cable park

I think a cable park would be a great addition. I would truly visit league city from across town to spend the day there as often as I could

Would benefit from new recreation such as a cable park.

need some place for off-roading for Jeeps, etc

I want a cable park
The land on FM270 across from the church should be bought and keep as close to an open space as possible.

League City needs to build an Ice rink

We made the selection of our house based on proximity to grocery, retail and running paths. We purposely excluded housing areas that did not connect to a trail (or sidewalk) to get to grocery or parks. League City communities seem very disconnected. We could stand more sidewalks; especially along 96 and 270 where many people live and commute. We could also use more trees along roads and trails.

As I mentioned before, I come from an area of Kansas where city planners develop AWESOME wide sidewalks before housing developments begin. They are all connected to a well-thought out design of trails that are wide enough for three bikes and are maintained very well. Each trail is linked to a system of amazing open spaces that offer parks, fishing, picnicking. Find out more details here: http://www.jcprd.com/parks_facilities/trailguide.cfm

Trails add to the quality of life and for League City, finding sidewalks that connect to parks is difficult. For instance, how many trails lead to Walter Hall Park or to the Sportsplex or to Hometown Heroes? None. If there were safe sidewalks that lead to these places, I would use them. Many runners in our area find it difficult to locate trails and instead just run around our communities. There are better options and League City should support this effort. We need to get residents out of their house and being active! Please, please consider developing a trail system for our great city. It will reap enormous benefits for our area for years to come. We are so disconnected at the moment. Let's bring it together!

Minor, but it seems like the trail signs aren't designed well; they aren't sealed at the top, meaning rain water/moisture can get inside them. The ones in poor shape already should be replaced and the ones in good shape should have waterproofing caps added to the top.

I hope this is a serious effort to improve League City and not an opportunity for the new mayor to make money selling land to the city.

Lacrosse is the fastest growing sport in Texas, both League City and CCISD need to acknowledge this and consider adding lacrosse fields to city parks and lacrosse teams at public schools. I am currently paying a great deal of money for my children to play on private teams which play against other public school teams in the Houston area.

thank you for asking

is there a park map with information, I wasn't aware of all these parks, tree coverage is important to know because it gets so hot.

thank you

Overall I think League City has a great offering in this area. Thanks for asking for our online input as you consider how to move forward!

We are in need of additional or dedicated fields for lacrosse.

A dog park would be a wonderful addition to League City!

We need a dog park in the South Shore Harbor area

Although I typically only access the few parks that are near my house, they are in good shape (although a splash pad for small kids would be very nice). Other parks in League City are less known to me, and likely less known to others. Although they're listed on the city website (which I didn't really review until at least year 5 of my residency), possibly it would be best to have some sort of campaign to inform city residents about the different parks, programs, and facilities prior to allocating funds to new facilities. I have enjoyed and appreciated the city-sponsored events at the local parks as well. I've never been to the League City pool, but I'd likely oppose development of a new pool facility.

Pedestrian trail on 270 is most important. I see these are under construction. Further develop main street, sidewalk both sides. Rec Center with basketball gym of water access of fishing.
I live in Westover Park with entrance at Rainbourne. Was told the open field was set up for a park/large playground. Have lived here for one year. Went will that they start?

Keep League City Beautiful!

Most of the trails and parks I have observed are not maintained to a high standard. Why add additional parks, facilities, trails, etc., if staff can't/won't maintain what is currently here. Drive down any street on the west side of IH-45 and notice all the broken or missing curbs, sidewalks which cannot be used; trees blocking traffic signs; trees, etc. blocking existing sidewalks; traffic signs which are not appropriately located; lack of police patrols on west side of town (all day/night); lack of signage which announces city events. Not everyone drives through the area east of SH 3 and SS Harbor areas to find out what is going on in the city. We are neglected, except if we don't pay our water/sewage bills or taxes.

More opportunities, facilities, events, programs, etc. for special needs children

I'm not a cyclist, but they need better shoulders for safe riding. As much as I'd like to say they should ride on roads that have bigger shoulders, there aren't enough options which puts unnecessary risk on cyclists and vehicle drivers both.

Excited about nature trails that feel safe enough to be walked alone with good lighting and emergency stations along the trail.

Make accurate and honest pricing of development and maintenance cost on any project

Lighting at existing parks is an issue for me and my family. Another issue is access to drinkable water while in one of the parks.

A nearby non-resident (and former resident!) is grateful for nice facilities within range of home. Use fees are fair for us interlopers, and I hope you'll consider serving us as well.

I would like to see lacrosse become a recreational sport in our city.

A lacrosse field would be wonderful for our community

We need a dedicated lacrosse field with turf and lines and more parking at sports fields. We also need a new entrance to the Sportsplex and directed traffic on Saturdays.

Would love to see some lacrosse fields because my kids love it and are involved

Youth lacrosse teams have existed for several years through Bay Lax (formerly Clear Lake Lacrosse). (There is also a local lacrosse team for girls.) The lacrosse programs have grown substantially through the years. Fields dedicated to lacrosse would support maintaining the current growth, as well as furthering growth in our local area. Providing youth with access to sports such as lacrosse, rowing and fencing allow for alternatives. Youth who may not desire or have the skillset for the high focused sports such as baseball, football and soccer. Please consider reaching additional youth within our area through the indicated sports. Lacrosse in particular is widespread throughout other parts of the country. When considering Texas - lacrosse is widespread in areas/cities like Dallas and The Woodlands. It is important that we develop such widespread opportunity within our city.

We are members of Clear Lake Lacrosse and would love to see facilities in the city for lacrosse teams. Lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in the country and is starting to see a big growth in the Houston suburb areas but we have limited spaces available for games and field practices.

Lacrosse has grown tremendously over the past decade in Texas. My family has become very involved in both club lacrosse and activities provided through CCISD. It would be great if League City could allocate space for lacrosse fields in the same way it allocated dedicated space for soccer, baseball and softball.

I would like to see more recreational opportunities on the west side of I-45. Everything is pretty much on the east side. Need playing fields for Lacrosse teams please.
Yes. I would like to support the partnership of CLLA Lacross with the city. Lacross is a great high action sport and the league offers opportunities for older kids to get involved in sports if they do not play school ball or are homeschooled like my teens.

The clear lake lacrosse team has passionate coaches that are expanding the sport of lacrosse in the clear lake area. Lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in the US. In the near future Houston will get a major league team, which will mean expansion of lacrosse into colleges throughout Texas. This represents real opportunity for young people to get scholarships to play in college. We want our community of boys and girls to fill these spots. In order to do this we need a well maintained lacrosse field that is safe for our teams to practice on.

Lacrosse is an up and coming sport here in League City. Clear Lake Lacrosse Association has been showing rapid growth and needs to secure dedicated practice/game fields and a location for Tournaments (we are outgrowing the SportsPlex).

I would be interested in about 10-20 miles in hike and bike trails. Me and my family would volunteer to help build and maintain them.

Would like to see a connection from 518 to Austin St. We had heard there would be one through pipeline.

please make the sidewalk wider, it is hard to ride with a child in front or behind you; or in the street. I feel it is safer for them beside me.

I believe there should be an emphasis on connecting parks and greenspaces to each other. Ex: Connectivity from Walter Hall Park to Fay Dudney Nature Park via Bike n hike possibly creek where possible. After observing the city of LC spending and oversight on projects over the yrs. I have a hard time trusting that money’s will be spent responsibly and that oversight on projects will be in the best interests of taxpayers and the quality of the project. There is a history of gerrey manderery of funds.

Use free parks for community farming as I saw in Houston and TV programs in other cities.

Trail systems need to be dog friendly with periodic dog waste bag stations, benches, trash cans, restrooms/water fountains/picnic tables.

Use raised pathways to avoid water pooling after rains.

Include fitness stations along trailway.

lots of missing linkages.

Need to repair differential settlements

4-b for maintenance operations

The recent addition of Rustic Oaks Park, nature path and bayou lookout is a very nice. Our family really enjoys that nature gem!!

No Dog park needed. Leave existing parks as they are

Open space seems like it’s being eaten up by commercial development quickly. We chose our location because of nearby greenspace and hope some remains!

Need a dog park.

Dog park

Please look to Houston and areas north for what not to do. Less green space equals more flooding.

A city of 100,000 residents should have an area where people can gather and socialize their dogs off leash without "harassment" from county law enforcement.
There are a lot of people in my neighborhood that would love a dog park at the Newport park location which has plenty of open space.

This is the first community I've lived in that didn't have parks that allowed pets. I have to use trails in my neighborhood to walk my dog.

Dog Parks!!

Would love to see a dog park in League City.

I think the community would really benefit and enjoy a few splash pad locations at local parks, especially during the summer months.

Our city needs to be much more hike and bike friendly, including connecting to other areas, for example Hwy 270 is inaccessible and we must put our bikes in the truck to get to all the trails around Nasa and Nassau Bay.

Not everyone uses these facilities, especially seniors. Don't punish us by raising taxes to pay for individual or family oriented facilities.

A dog park would be great!

Does the City still spend tens and hundreds of thousands of dollars doing studies, then doing nothing with the results? Do we still hire out-of-state/city companies for this? Have we tried giving U of H Cullen College of Engineering, Texas A&M College of Architecture, UT Austin has Colleges of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, City and Regional Planning, and Engineering? Can't we be a project for higher education using the brain power in our own area/state?

I would like to see a trails system similar to around Seabrook's Meador Park and along the main road that runs along the coast. It connects various housing communities, parks and allows for running/cycling, both long and short distances, on a crushed gravel path, which is better for the joints than concrete.

Tax the businesses instead of increasing resident taxes. Get grants.

Play ground equipment covered with shade covers so kids can play year round

A dog park would be extremely nice to include as city facilities.

When will downtown be re-developed?

Bayridge Park needs update

Trail surfaces should be crushed gravel to make drainage more earth friendly as well as easier to jog on. There needs to be more bathrooms at Hometown Heroes Park. Especially closer to the soccer/football fields. Bathrooms need to be updated at Walter Hall Park. A splash pad outside of the pool gates would be nice for the community to be used outside of normal pool hours and not require a fee. See Websters Texas Avenue splashpad.

League City needs an off the leash dog park.

Buy Lighthouse Island and turn it into a destination park, complete with an amphitheater and boardwalk area.

Need park with large hills for kids to run and roll down, and for people to exercise on, since so flat here. Big hill could be amphitheatre destination also. Rec facilities need to have later open gym times for older teens (till 10:45 or so). Need a place to stroll around on date night after dinner, or to run in evening, versus all parks closing at dusk. Along the river / creek would be possible option. Have places that can rent bikes on trails. Figure out how walkers, runners, bikes, rollerblades, skateboards, strollers, segways might coexist on trails. Need unique destination places on trails, like statues or natural art. Have more example / educational parks like Ghirardi Water Park (grow food not lawns, xeriscape lawn examples or Little Red Schoolhouse natural habitat). Have some natural unpaved trails for hiking and/or mountain biking. Have an outdoor rock climbing facility, zip line and/or lazy river at a park for fee/charge. Have an outdoor chess/checker board at Hometown Heroes park / senior center. Have pavilions for large picnic gatherings that are permitted on annual basis for fee paid on Jan 1, for certain dates
throughout year. Spruce up Challenger park memorial / statues, art mound. Make a large tourist destination at a park - like the "bean" in Chicago Millenial park. Address new technology, such as have a large public space with line of sight available for people learning to fly drones either full time, or on designated days each month for this purpose. Have connectivity of trails be so great that they become an alternative transportation means and help ease traffic congestion.

Some type of nice scenic trail system would be awesome. Something like Brazos Bend State Park would be great, but I know we probably don't have the space to do that....

The more safe places for kids and teens to hang out at the less likely they are to get in trouble. Having events for young adults/adults is a good way to meet new people. Parks and trails for walking and biking would be good for safe exercise. Fishing spots would be awesome!

Bike lanes are needed on roads for safety and to encourage a more active community.

We need dog parks and natural wildlife areas.

Yes, we have all this open land under the high power lines, couldn't we install wide walking and bicycle paths that would connect around league city.

Build a natatorium - you've done the studies....you know the city will make money. Hometown Heroes is a waste of taxpayer dollars - if year-round swim teams were able to host tournaments and also host water Polo teams - the city would only benefit. Also, some of your staff need training in community relations!

NO MORE TAXES. Quit trying to add taxes to our cell phones, water, electricity, etc. Take care of our infrastructure, flooding problems, traffic, etc. before any more building. Opposed to any acquisition of land by the city unless it will remain green space.

Are there any plans to build parks and trails in the Bay Colony area. As LC tax payers we seem to be getting short changed.

I would really like a dedicated mountain bike trail. I purchased a very nice bike thinking the trail was going to be open. Please give some consideration to having a mountain bike trail. Thank you.

dog park and a water park is probably the most important issue for family. we go to other smaller cities for these because league city doesn't have them and it seems crazy for its size

I think better communication and visibility of the facilities and parks/trails is important

Move special functions to different parks for exposure.

You have flooded your hometown heroes park and SportsPlex to the point where it is miserable to get in and out of. Parking is horrible and traffic on 96 in and out is impossible to navigate. It is so bad we are looking at other sources for our children to play sports like I-9 and upwards.

More water access for kayak fishing.

The focus on biking should be to make league city like Austin. Biking trails across the city! On and off the road

League city desperately needs a dog park and walking/hiking/biking trails. Currently, I must travel to other cities for both.

We, the citizens of League City want responsible managed growth of our community. Clear cutting property for building needs to be outlawed! When clear cutting is done the environment is severely damaged. It is that environment that supports living creatures that we should live in harmony with. It takes 10 large full grown evergreen trees to provide enough oxygen for 1 (one) human to live for 1 (one) year. Think of that the next time you see a piece of property clear cut by one of the developers in our community. It is a travesty that this is allowed to happen. There are more responsible ways for a community to grow and increase tourism.
Also, change the city logo back to the Oak Tree! League City has less than 1/8th water front exposure on its perimeters. We, the voters & tax payers of League City, were not allowed to vote on this change, therefore you violated our rights by arbitrarily making this change.

There used to be a sign warning the trail users about venomous snakes around the pond in Rustic Oaks. Why was that sign taken down? Are the snakes gone? If so, then why isn't the trash in and around the pond cleaned up?

League City is rapidly growing but I hope these conveniences and access do not encroach to much on the nature and scenic areas and family and community points that we came to this city to enjoy.

Along League City Parkway, in front of Hometown Heroes Park, the land is zoned commercial. Development of strip malls there would forever change the character of the park. The city should acquire and use that land for sports fields. League City could be a destination for teen sports competitions.

none

Pls bike roads

N/A

There was a concept in Houston to provide hike and bike trails along the existing high tension corridors. This seems like a great use of space already required to be maintained that allows for long distance hiking and biking away from busy streets.

Please look into getting a sidewalk put in on cross colony /646. This is very dangerous for the families that walk from the neighborhood to parks and schools.

Dear Angel Lopez, I would love to see a dog park in our great city. Something big like they have at Bay Area Park with amenities. We do love our children and our pets in this great city. There are many parks for our children to run and play. It’s a shame that we don’t have one for our dogs who provide us unconditional love. I have two rescue dogs and one beagle who is an AKC certified therapy dog. When we go on therapy visits to various places for the elderly we hear many stories from the residence about pets that have passed away and how they would love to get another but feel they could no longer care for a pet. My mom now lives me and loves the companionship of my hounds but knows she could not handle them alone. Expanding on this idea maybe our city could hold community dog training events? Trainers could volunteer their time, it would be good advertising for them too, and they could spend a couple of weekends at various communities around the city. I’ve seen a lot in my neighborhood and I try not to judge having been brought up in a time and in a family where training dogs was not well understood... to say the least. When I got my first dog as an adult she was my stress release from work and we enjoyed long walks and socializing in the parks around NASA-JSC. When she passed away I was inconsolable until I adopted a rescue treeing walker hound. I had forgotten everything about training a young dog and I was considerably older. Relearning was a challenge for both of us... more for me then her. Terri Struzinski, Westover Park/League City

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated" — Mahatma Gandhi

Keep League Park and improve it!

Please improve Bayridge park !!! Long time League City resident of 30years speaking.

Safety, fun & accessibility

Land use is increasingly for building more houses. This has to stop! Acquisition of open spaces is important!

Several of the play ground sets have broken floors with 3-5" holes in the floor

Adding a modern, forward thinking process to our historical original charm will bring longevity to visitor and resident income growth.

Na
I did not realize that there were so many parks, etc. in the League City area. Maybe just keep them up-to-date and advertise them more so people would be aware they exist.

really need to promote what we have more and clean up what we have. Also enforce rules for the parks as people are constantly leaving trash and dog poop everywhere. Create more parks that wildlife is happy living in.

I walk 7-9 miles per day on our trails, and I love that we have so many nature/picnic/park options. We have recently begun using the paddle trail, and appreciate the city’s attention to encouragement of canoe and kayaking!

LC needs trails for walking. Too many sports facilities already exist.

League City (east) needs a dog park as nice as the large one on Bay Area!

No

We need a dog park, a first class dog park. A city of this size needs more than one dog park.

Some bike trails or the ability to bike from home to a park or a retail/restaunt area more easily. Also, if it is possible to develop offroad mountain bike trails in sections of current parks that have elevation change (along creeks) that would be a great attraction!

I think we definitely need more open spaces and parks. There seems to be too much development where the land is razed without saving any of the trees or natural areas. Too much concrete and too many people! This makes for overcrowding, too much traffic and noise. We need to get back to nature.

Connecting all the separate trails

I'm just starting to explore the local parks because of Pokemon Go (yes I'm an adult....). I hope to get more use out of the local parks. When I first moved here I looked for a local dog park and could not find one nearby which was incredibly disappointing since I had very close ones in Pearland before I moved.

I would like to see the side walks all finished and connected. For example, Tuscan Lakes sidewalks stop at 96 and don't led to the new retail being built.

Need dog park

Dog parks are very important for me

I was really hoping for a dog park soon. I live in the historic district in the same neighborhood as the existing shelter and walk the dogs constantly. I would love to walk to a dog park and back.

We need a dog park

A quittage tournament, really????? Ridiculous

It's a shame that a town this size doesn't have a dog park. City leaders claim they want a world-class, destination city like the Woodlands, but they sure won't spend the money for it. The Woodlands has dog parks, concert venues, and other facilities that keep people close to home. In League City, people go elsewhere for their entertainment.

Need more off-road bike trails

We really need some sidewalks/trails along Marina Bay Drive/2094 heading towards the island and Kemah... people would be more likely to run that way and/or take their golf carts down. Also, it get's the runners/walkers off the streets when traffic is directly coming your way. There is no place for those individuals to go and with road rage at an all time high, it's definitely not safe to be running down the street...

I know I mentioned this before, but if we don't save our coyote population there will be an imbalance of wildlife around the area. Please consider the health of the packs before they are all gone.
Make Cyprus Bay put in a sidewalk so we can get out of Glen Cove.

LC is far too large not to have a first class community dog park.

The city would do great with mountain bike trails similar to the ones at Jack Brooks Park in Hitchcock. The trails have an easy and more advanced side.

Dog Park should be the department's number one priority after the new shelter is under construction.

Publicize location

Please develop more biking trails for both on and off road.

League City residents love our pets and they are very important to us. Having a nice, safe, clean place where we can take them is very important to a lot of us. It would be nice to have a Dog Park that has a section for smaller dogs as well as one for the larger dogs where they can run free and play and socialize with other dogs. It also helps socialize the owners because we are all proud of our fur babies and want to show them off.

We need mountain bike trails!

We desperately need better hiking and biking trails and walking paths.

Really hoping to get a dog park.

Need a dog park.

Off road bike trails.

Mountain bike trails.

Would love to see some type of Mountain bike single track trail system, similar to Jack Brooks Park.

We need a dog park and mountain bike trails.

Please look at this neighborhood park - [http://www.brownsburg.org/department/division.php?fDD=7-161](http://www.brownsburg.org/department/division.php?fDD=7-161) I wish we had one like this here. I'd move to an area that had this if it were available locally!

Increase and improve mountain (not paved) and road bike (paved) trails/paths. Add running trails too (prefer asphalt or other surface softer than concrete).

Would encourage transition of public and utility easements to usable trail space.

Lakefront park is at the top of my list.

League City needs a dog park more than anything. There's already a decent variety of other parks but not a single dog park in the entire league city area. The nearest one is Bay Area park which is ~30 min drive from where I live. I've lived in league city my entire life (20 years old) and even when I moved out of my parents I still stayed in league city because I love the area so much but it needs a dog park incredibly bad.

Please add state of the art dog parks to our city. We are one of the fastest growing cities in the country. We are often highlighted for the quality of life we offer. Please let us increase our property value and quality of life with multiple state of the art dog parks.

Bike and walking trails hopefully could be separate or at least wide enough for both to travel safely on.

A BMX track like CenTex BMX in Pflugerville, TX would be a great park to have. It's sanctioned by the USABMX organization. Sarasota, Florida and Rock Hill, South Carolina recently built new tracks. These not only being in revenue for weekend races, but pull large revenue to National events (typically 3 full days) and state qualifier races.

I would like to pursue purchasing the property off 96 that is owned by the Gay family. It has a lake for fishing. Walking trails could be built around it. There could be a picnic area.
Bike trails

The Civic Center Pool is dirty and frequented by questionable adults.

Still waiting for the bike trails to come to fruition. 100 plus miles were talked about almost a decade ago.

As a new resident that is retired, I would like more info about available trails. Are there any in close proximity to Hidden Lakes?  Step 23 of this survey is faulty. It will not accept my answer that 2 people live in my household & they are 65 & older (80 & 77). It will not let me proceed beyond that point!

We have plenty of wooded areas were can add mountain biking trails. I use jack brooks almost every day.

I think the city has sufficient park spaces and trails that are not being used to their capacity. Also, these properties are taken off the tax role. Enough is enough; people do not use these spaces.

Mountain bike trails usually follow the edges of wooded creeks bayous or ditches to create contour. Having them near paved trails and public parking is important. Must be long enough to be good excersise.

I enjoy Mountain Biking as do many of my friends. Currently the closest trail is Jack brooks a ~30min drive. The rest of the Houston area has many single track biking trails except for our area. It would be very nice to have a trail system close by.

The parks and trails plans need to be acted upon. I hope this is not another update and save for later activity that we have gone through so many times in the past

The mountain biking community is full of people willing and able to help construct and maintain trails. We take great pride in the areas we ride. Love to be able to ride closer to home.

Could the new animal shelter be built closer to the existing sports plex and animal emergency care center at the corner of I-45 and HWY96? This location would increase public visits to the shelter and possibly increase rate of adoption.

An easily accessible walking and hiking trail along Clear Creek would be ideal

Need to build mountain bike trail system

Mountain bike trails, contact GHORBA for volunteers for trail building and tail maintenance. MTB opportunities in the southeast Houston metro area are very limited. Could be paid for by day use fees.

League City needs a dog park

Stop commercial building on every blade of grass and make more green areas!

we all seem to agree that we live in a beautiful city and are so proud of it, yet our city doesn't seem to be proud enough to keep it looking beautiful, neat, attractive and appealing ! a simple addition of trees / palms lining major roads, would be a small step with a large impact.

Our family would love to see a natatorium comparable to many surrounding cities, in which the many local swim teams could host meets.

There is a large space available in the Back of magnolia estates that has an empty lot, greenspace, trails, Creek access. The residents were promised a park by the home builder, but it never happened. We suited the builder and the HOA owns the land. The HOA wants to sell it, and the residents would love to finally get a park!

we are still learning what League City has to offer

I am against a dog park.

No dog park

Where can we get maps of trails and parks? Where do we get program information? I just feel uninformed.
There is big open space near Gilmore Elementary School and would love to see a walking trail where I can just easily do a 3-mile walk all in one big loop - like in other communities in Harris County (i.e., Friendswood Link area / Blackhawk/Dixie Fm Rd)

The one Floyd road extension by Claremont Park on the west side would be a GREAT area for a trail and linking it to the Gilmore Elem trail. many people walk in that free space after it is mowed, so making a trail there would be wonderful for the community.

Dog park is sorely needed. I would use it often. We went to Bill Archer DP in Harris Co often.

A dog park and new animal shelter really need to be built in near future.

Mountain bike and cycling is for life. League City lacks the trails/roads for this. This could be an awesome addition to LC if developed correctly!

Please cut brush and tree limbs in the summer on bike trails so limbs don't hit riders in the face. It seems to grow faster than it is being maintained. Additionally, on the 518 bike trail, cyclists traveling from Hwy 146 up FM 518 (heading north?) have issues with the many vehicles that never look to the right when pulling out of side streets from the west onto Deke Slayton Hwy. The drivers do not mind the crosswalk, often stopping in the middle of it, nor do they pay attention to the warning of the bike lane. We've had a few close calls as cyclists. I wish there was a way to warn vehicles that a pedestrian or cyclist was approaching the intersection.

There needs to be a sizeable nice park with hiking trails and preferable a boardwalk/water access in east League City area. Currently one has to go over 20+ minutes to other municipalities in Clear Lake areas to find this. For a city of its size, League City should have its own attractive spaces available.

The West side of League City has been neglected. One park off the creek on Bay Area. No off road trails at all.

A splash pad for the community would be nice! A nice park that is geared to younger kids like the one on clear lake with like 3 different playgrounds all gearing towards different age groups!

Big open space in front of rustic oaks or fields in the park of rustic oaks could be used for dog park. Vaccines would need to be enforced thru registration thru city. Nassau bay has this rule

A dog park is a high priority for me because the closest one is 20 minutes away off Bay Area Blvd. I tried going to the Nassau Bay dog park, which is closer, but you must be a resident of Nassau Bay to go there. Also, a splash pad would be another high priority for me.

Your survey is biased toward a subset of expected outcomes based on prevailing stereotypes of how people think and act. When you frame issues as narrowly as you've done here, you will fail to capture a lot of vital information about how the city actually functions for people in practice. I gave an example above - what difference does it make how much time it might take to walk or bike to a park if neither is a safe option because there are no sidewalks or bike lanes / road shoulders? Whether it takes 5 minutes or 15 minutes, people know it's not safe either way so they're not going to do it either way. But if you frame the question solely in terms of time, you run the risk of attributing low usage rates to a perceived time burden rather than the real issue which is safety. There are other analogous examples in the survey. In many cases, what you'll actually get are answers that apply to questions that you haven't asked, which is an exceedingly poor basis for decision-making.

League Park could use some reprogramming & investment but the multi-million dollar "downtown" plan is a hairbrained scheme. This idea definitely has worked other places but there is not & never was a downtown League City. There just an old town area that's been sadly neglected.

I am looking forward to the expanded trail system One item not addressed is adequate lighting for trails Many of trails in Mag Creek area are not lit so cannot be used at night Also keeping vegetation trimmed is an issue on Mag Creek trails

We need a dog park, and a splash pad, surrounding communities have more than one of both.

I will love bike trails and walking trails all the way from I45 to Kema
None at this time.

More trails, more shade, more parks.

Love the hike bike trails, but need better drainage in certain spots, cut grass more often, trim back shrubs more in some spots, police motor vehicles using trails

In looking at the proposed trail map on the city website we are opposed to a trail that runs west alongside Clear Creek from from the east side of I45 and to Countryside park. Also the proposed trail that runs from south of 518 to the north, behind the Countryside Oaks subdivision (on the east side of Bay Area Blvd.)

Just need more baseball fields that can be available without driving 20 minutes. More tennis courts with lights would be nice too.

Stop ripping out the natural spaces for apartment buildings and shopping centers. We don't need anymore mattress stores or storage spaces. Send to all residents maps of the parks and trails. Improve website information with maps and directions to parks and trails.

Keep up this area of improvement! League City can be so much more!

In this day and age, as a woman I feel unsafe running in parks by myself. We need to increase police patroll and add other safety mechanisms like call boxes or even surveillance.

I would love to have a walking trail withing a reasonable distance of Bay Colony. Preferably a mile or longer loop surrounded by wildlife and trees (shade!) Right now i have to drive over 20 minutes to Randolph park in Friendswood.

Location of new facilities should take into consideration the significant traffic issues in the city.

I am not pleased that existing trees and bushes along League City Parkway between Butler/Hobbs are being cut/chopped down due to the Kroger shopping center and other businesses going into that area+trees were chopped down when the new turning lanes were placed at the intersection at Hobss/LCP several years and when the YMCA was built. Everytime the trees and bushes start to grow big then they get chopped and discarded for some type of road change. Also, does the Hobbs Rd/LCP really need new signal lights again? These were just replaced several years ago when the new turning lanes created.

I’ve noticed that the maintenance of many of the parks seems to drop off in the fall, winter, and spring. These are the seasons most wildlife and bird observers are most active (the birds stay inactive as much as we do in the hot, humid summer!). It’s sometimes frustrating that the times of year when I’m most using the trails is when they become the most overgrown and not well maintained.

League City really is a great place to live. I am glad I moved here. However, the limited amount of trails for walking and biking has been a problem. To me it it a blemish on an otherwise excellent place to live. I would much rather walk or bike than drive my car to most places. Please, greatly increase the amount of safe walking and biking access throughout the city.

The trails are great. Very useful to be able to stay off the streets for exercise and to get to local small stores and parks. However, some parts of the trails have such poor drainage that the trails are inaccessible for quite a long period of time. Some areas on the west side include: between the water tower and Bay Area Blvd; under Bay Area Blvd near Countryside Park; in Countryside Park between the creek and soccer field; and towards the end of the trail in Magnolia Creek area, between LC Parkway and the end of the trail. Please consider adding a trail connecting Gilmore Elementary to the existing trail that crosses Carefree Dr. I think this would be helpful for children and parents in Rustic Oaks and the adjoining subdivision to walk or ride bikes to school, rather than having to go all the way to BAB and LC Parkway. But if it is developed, please make sure it is raised up enough or allow for proper drainage underneath to make it passable after heavy rains.

Please build an ice arena in League City. We drive an hour just to play hockey.
I would like to see a sidewalk put in from Grissom to Challenger park. I have seen many people walking and or riding bikes along this rode and at time it can be dangerous since it is only a two lane road.

Reallocate monies on a set time line to achieve more and make a no kill shelter a major option as everytime I go I see homeless pets begging for foo

Shade is needed at many parks against the hot sun.

Instead of creating a Municipal Development District to lure businesses here, we should concentrate on funding basic infrastructure and quality outdoor activities for citizens so that businesses know that they can attract and keep good workers in this area should they relocate or start here.

I am disappointed that our city is more concerned with adding additional, or expanding parks, than they are about building a much needed new animal shelter. Anyone who has ever stepped foot in our city's current animal shelter can see those animals deserve better. The staff and volunteers do a fantastic job with what they have, but there is only so much they can do in their current situation. I strongly support redirecting parks funds and/or an increase in tax to built a new, bigger, and better animal shelter.

We are in desperate need of a new animal shelter. Please do not forget this when allocating funds.

Benchmark Madison, WI and Portland, OR.

We so need an are so our dogs can run without havinhme (63) try to run them. Please, please consider this

The League City Animal Shelter is in desperate need for an improved building for the animals brought in by animal control. The current space is not able to safely, properly, and easily be accessed for the animals by employees and the friends of League City Animal Shelter.

Please build a dog park. It is sorely needed.

None, except League City needs a dog park.

A splash pad would be greatly appreciated and more playgrounds in East League City.

Thank you for soliciting community input on these master plan updates. Please make our community safer to travel in - without a cage of steel around you.

League City should install Turf Fields for soccer, football and lacrosse league play. Other cities throughout the US have done this and it vastly improves quality of youth athletics and home buyer interest.

I feel that challenger park was once a great park. I grew up going there as a child a lot. I have noticed over the past few years with now my children no one has given it the love or the attention it so desperately needs. Like outdated and broken equipment. Can we as a city try to fix that? As well as somewhere in league City install a splash pad for our city? The neighboring cities have one and we all use there's instead. What about MY city?

Add water fountains for humans and pets in parks, trails and community centers

Need dog parks and new animal shelter to help current league city animal shelter

Dog park should be at the top of the list!

Embedded trail lights or solar powered lights like Steven's Park in Friendswood would be nice, and more recycling receptacles would encourage folks to responsibly dispose of their waste at the parks. There is a lot of trash on the ground at our parks, especially Walter Hall. Emergency phones would be beneficial, as well, that go straight to LCPD, like those they have on college campuses. Upgrading our current parks with splash pads for kids would be great.

Too much money has been spent in past years on facilities that have only served a sliver of our community. Rather than directing those funds toward more cost effective efforts, we've spent millions on sports facilities that are only utilized by a relatively small portion of our population. Less costly projects such as improvement of existing park
facilities and the creation of a dog park would be more likely to draw a larger user group and cost less in upkeep.
These facilities are generally more attractive to prospective residents--areas that provide natural peace and beauty
in the midst of the suburbs--than large sporting facilities that can be seen as having potential for excessive noise
and traffic--therefore deterring incoming residents.

We are the only local city with no dog park. We already have 5000000 sportplexes including a skatepark that is
99% unused. Forced on us by a councilman for his son. We don't need anymore sports areas. But we do need the
green spaces. I would like to stay a city that doesn't flood due to overbuilding and over concrete.

We really need an off leash dog park.

Dog park please. More dogs then kids I feel

Please build a dog park. League city has many wonderful parks but is lacking a dog park.

It would be great to have received a welcome package informing me of all of the parks, open spaces, and trails
that League City currently offers when I moved here about 7 months ago.

Read awhile back that new animal shelter and dog park would be built, but city failed fullfill these desperate needs.
Doesn't make sense to take care of other things not in desperate need but not to something city doesn't have and
doesn't take care of like the animal shelter. City council needs to figure their priorities out moving forward and
stop ignoring or putting them aside.

Instead of spending money on creating new centers let's build a newer, more accessible, animal shelter. That
should be tops in this city's list!!

I like to workout outdoors and would love to see League City be more geared for that attraction for adults, while
improving the parks we already have for the younger residents

I want to be able to enjoy city facilities and parks with my family.

I would like a running trail that has mile markers

I think there should be some emphasis on an integrated trail system linking league city with the surrounding
communities. I live in the lakes in bay colony and there is not safe (sidewalk or trail) access to the rest of league
city. I'd live to be able to bike more but this would involve riding on heavily travelled roads with minimal or no
shoulder. Sidewalks and trails should be cheap and easy to implement.

More pedestrian friendly roadways especially 518 through the "old" part of the city...would love to walk around
the shops and parks there, but too afraid to walk or cross the street with kids there, because cars fly and rarely do
the posted limit...maybe a pedestrian bridge or reduced lanes, or something would help. Cute area, but way under
utilized due to traffic headaches and crazy speeders. :( maybe an are for food truck days and a big farm market
would be great too!

Police presence needs to be increased on current trail system and definitely considered for trail expansion.

Connect all of the sidewalk/jogging paths in the separate neighborhoods. e.g. Hidden Lakes and Tuscan Lakes.

There are not many parks near South Shore Harbour. We have no parks we can comfortably walk to aside from the
pocket parks. It would be nice to have a new kid friendly park on or near South Shore Blvd.

Both my sons play ice hockey. With the Clear Lake area rink closed, we now drive to Houston or Sugar Land for
them to skate and CCISD no longer has a varsity team. I would love to see anew ice rink in the area.

Our family would love a splash pad or water park with lazy river!

Please give us more bike lanes! We could be so much more active if we could bike places instead of driving. Also
interested in a rec center for League City. We have looked into rec centers in neighboring cities because we have
none.
Connect the sidewalks, walking/running paths from individual neighborhood development together! e.g. Hidden Lakes to Tuscan Lakes, etc.

The facilities we have are wonderful. We need to focus on traffic issues, drainage, and long-term water needs. Not build a parking garage for a select few.

Partnering with conservatiob groups like Houston Audubon and Bat conservation societies to build areas where parks can have dual roles as education portals.

Need more youth sports/recreation areas like Hometown Heroes and Sportsplex

More open spaces that are accessible. Please quit building apartments in our city!!!!!!

League City could use a Natatorium that is on par with some of the other like sized communities around Houston (Pearland, Sugarland, Conroe). Facilities in these communities have been a net positive, paying for themselves.

I would love to see cultural events other than country music in our city. There is not much going on other than sports related activities. I have to leave League City to do anything interesting to me.

I would really like a dog park in league city.

I would like to see take over the magnolia creek bridge. For some reason when magnolia creek deeded the trails over to the city they kept the bridge. Don't know the reason. The MC HOA can't maintain it properly and it is not fair to them because it is used by lots of other subdivisions it is unsafe slippery and a liability

NO MORE YOUTH FOOTBALL FIELDS. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. They are used for a couple hours after the school day and a couple hours each weekend morning. But never any other times. No shade. Not family friendly. Not nature friendly

The esplanades along highway 3, between fm518 and Walter Hall park need serious attention and landscaping. They need trees, plants and grass.

The city really could use an indoor pool that could be sanctioned by USA swimming for team use and to hold meets. Would defray cost and being visitors to city for swim meets and water polo tournaments.

None

In light of recent assaults on trail in rustic oaks, more bicycle police would be optimal

Please put real bathrooms or skate park by baseball complex or allow access to the one with it. The portable potty is nasty. My children like to spend hours there which is hard with out restroom.

I love living in league city and think scenic areas and more public facilities would be amazing

With better resident facilities and tourism attractions (ice rink, natatorium, focus on history and water activity proximity, etc) more businesses will be attracted to our area which should increase the business tax burden and shift it off residential and hopefully minimize the need to increase taxes to pay for the improvements. Also, many facilities will be fee based for use. I am excited at the possibilities...league city has such potential. I hope our leaders and decision makers can look for examples from other towns that have got it right, rather than focusing so much attention on what other local towns have done. We need to differentiate our town from the others near us so tourists will choose our town rather than others. A last thought. With such a close proximity to Kemah and Nasa, local hotels should offer shuttle services to these attractions, if they don't already.

League city needs more bike lanes for safe travels on all major roads. We also need more sidewalks/walking space for the Historic district/Main street area. You can visible see the "deer trails" that other cyclist walkers have made in the grass along Main street. While I am in support of the new proposed ideas for the League Park expansion I am also in support of keeping a city basketball court in the area and would like to see it moved somewhere nearby if a splash pad goes in it's existing place. I feel it keeps a large group of League City residence engaged in something positive and productive.
I think a splash pad is needed most. Every community around us has one. Many people with small children spend time at parks in other communities due to splash pads. Also, parks that have activities geared for adolescents. They still like to play at the playground, but their type of play is different than smaller children.

Sportsplex is a great park, but increased traffic makes it difficult/time-consuming to reach by car. I would strongly support an additional entrance from Walker St. Hometown Heroes would benefit from some shaded seating areas.

If emergency phones, alarms etc. are not currently present on trails, this should be considered.

Please preserve our unique little town with less growth for the "wrong" type of crime sorts. Land should be for nature, we have so little left. No more concrete please.

The entrance/exit to sportsplex off of league city parkway either needs a traffic light or a cop directing traffic on Saturdays. Eliminating left turns out of the park, but northbound turning into the park is still frustrating and unsafe. Lots of tempers and unsafe situations at that intersection...and you KNOW they’re kids in all those vehicles.

Stop spending our tax money on this stuff. Let people that use it pay for it! We have enough park space that isn’t used already. Why is Government always looking to spend other people's money?

I would like them to be more active on social media.

I LOVE the trails in my portion of the city. They are in constant use and a fabulous addition to our city!

Easy to see I have high hopes for League City with more parks and many more miles of trails and commonly used destinations connected by multi-use -- hiking/bicycle trails. Pie in the sky? Hope not. Have seen such in another well-zoned city.

Enforcement of rules

We need safe and connected ways to get around LC and in my neighborhood the pedestrian crossings are way too risky and have bee this way, way too long.

It would be great to have some land available & accessible for primitive camping, even for a fee.

League City desperately needs a NICE 4th of July celebration, a real parade (like Friendswood) and fireworks display in the evening. We should coordinate with the county, host it at Walter Hall Park, have food vendors, music and assorted family activities throughout the day, before fireworks in the evening.

Enclosed dog park

Many neighborhoods have trails that only server that neighborhood. The city should focus on connecting these existing trails to each other as well as to schools and parks to make it easier to get places on trails.

I’d like to see exercise classes available for small fees, with good publicity so the community knows what is available. I’d also like to see more preservation of wetland areas rather than developing every square inch. Thank you!

I love our trails and parks :) we would love to have a simple fenced dog park with drinking water and benches. I have to drive to Pearland or Clear Lake Park to let my pups off leash.

There needs to be restrooms built at the new facilities by the fields. Running players all the way to the main building doesn’t work. Neither do the disgusting Port O Potties!

Would love a fb page that highlighted community calendar & shared pics from city Parks....

Focus on traffic. Get rid of the downtown project. Focus infrastructure and public safety

My family loves to hike. We also love to off-road on 4-wheelers, and camp. We are big into Geocaching. If there is space for a "state park" like area in our community, near the water, that would be ideal. ;) allow it to be
maintained and secure/safe. Thank you for this survey! Great way to be able to put some input into our community!

none

We need a covered BMX track! It has to be covered or it will not survive the rain and will not be considered for national events. A better skatepark. Mountainbike trails.

Glad to hear about possibility of increased resources to development of safer biking and/or walking trails. Especially down Dickinson to Hometown Heros.

Dog Park @ Newport Park

League City needs to offer more programs for youth and adults with special needs, like those found in Pearland and Pasadena.

West League City has great parks and trails but feel disconnected from rest of League City and under represented in civic facilities.

LC needs more walking places !!!!

More nature trails! Please, please, please!!

I think the city has a sufficient number of parks, walkways, etc. Lately I have been monitoring their use during various times of the day; no one is utilizing these facilities.

yes, I suspect there are other open spaces, Rail (old not used) beds, that could be considered for hike/bike trails. Having the capability of a lengthy trail system connecting various League City/Clear Lake communities is invaluable. It could certainly help our green index, and get more people exercising.

I would like the city to try and grow the outdoor active lifestyle. More bike and jogging trails up and down a clear creek nature path similar to paths around lake lady bird in Austin. Build something to attract nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts. Let them bring more money to our city.

Take a look at what Naperville and lisle Illinois did with their parks. The Naperville river walk is world class that led to redevelopment of the city center. It start out with resident contributions to redevelopment of a 50 year old quarry park along the du page river and it ended up a major regional park. League city has the clear creek area to work with that could be developed. We are very impressed with the Seabrook developments

We need a dog park. The closest one is by UHCL

I am worried about the city spending money on anything. The city wasted a lot of money on the River Walk, Field of Dreams (field of nightmares) and other projects that were a complete failure and a waste of money.

Implement the large dog park off walker as was promised before. Having to drive to Bay Area is to far to take dogs to open play areas

League City is teaching citizens to look to the government for everything. This is not America as Founded.

There are no community parks in the Sedona subdivision west of 45 and south of League City Pkway. Landscaping on Hobbs Rd south of League City Pkway. My son lives on Perkins facing the railroad tracks. The area across from there home by the tracks is unattractive...lots of cement there...large trucks park there at night....it was also the staging area for construction vehicles working on 518 a couple of years ago. It cause a lot of late night and early morning noise for those on Perkins. There us also no safe way to get to the city park across the tracks.

I would like to see a dog park in my area. Bay Colony Meadows west.

Amphitheater in our area would be great!

No
No

I've always loved all the parks & trails in League City, but they go unused about 9 months per year because of the heat living here & some people don't know where they are, so re-allocate funds to expand use of indoor facilities, expand the indoor programs & maybe more fun signage locating all the trails, and I'd bet you'd see ALOT more community involvement!

In Westover Park, on LC Pkwy, just east of Westover Park Ave, there is an open space by the row. Would love for this to be developed into a walking track/ exercise area with picnic tables, etc. Like a small scale Stevenson park in Friendswood.

There are no natural surface trails for mountain biking and trail running. There is a large community of mountain bikers and trail runners that will volunteer their time and money to build and maintain natural surface trails if we would only be given authorization to build them on city owned land and open greens spaces. There is also a Houston city wide organization that would support the building, maintaining and usage of the trails. I encourage you to visit their website: www.GHORBA.org. The organization sanctions many trails all over the Houston area including Jack Brooks Park in Galveston County. They bring awareness, support and volunteers from all over the city to these trails. A trail sanctioned trail by GHORBA in League City would be a great asset to the city. It would bring great joy to current residence and bring others from surrounding areas to see how great LC is to help spur continued growth. It will drive increased business to local restaurants and local merchants from trail users in the area before and after trail use for the day which will also help the city increase sales tax revenue. Please consider this as a major project and funding for the city as it will be well supported by the community.

Would like to walk from league park to the surrounding shops/restaurants safely (too much speeding & wrecks)

Thank you for putting out this survey! I hope you'll continue to ask for feedback. For me, the inability to get anywhere on a bicycle without going on high-speed/high-traffic roads such as FM-518 is the overriding priority. I'd also really like to see some of the right-of-way areas get planted in native wildflowers and things - in such a way that they would still be accessible as needed for utility companies and so on, but that they could serve a purpose to provide wildlife habitat. I'd especially like to see some monarch butterfly habitat in the city!

more offroad trails

I am not for tax increases to support additional open space, parks, trails, recreational facilities, bike trails or recreational programs.

Taxes and fees for nature / open space, not and rec centers.

Please add some dog parks to the city! We live in Victory Lakes, our park needs help/improvement!!!! Please help!

I feel very strongly that League a City should create a dog park. The dog park at Bay Area Park serves as an excellent example. They used existing, little-used park space for the dog space conversion. The addition of water stations, separate fenced for large and small dogs, and open, cleanup shower stalls makes this space ideal for dog-loving citizens. In addition, League City is missing an outdoor amphitheater to accommodate the arts. A city of this size is missing venues to support art and entertainment events. An arboretum along Clear Creek would enhance our city and draw visitors to it.

I would like to see more space in our parks used for special events such as a farmers markets, art & craft fairs, concerts etc. We need more cultural events and activities. League City is a cultural waste land. My wife and I always drive up to Houston or other cities to enjoy these type of activities.

looking for a good place to fish!

League Park is heavily used and abused. Have some stricter rental rules, especially on clean up, and allocate more funds to maintainence.
We would greatly appreciate and enjoy having a dog park. Have been told that a few years ago a dog park was in the offing, however, the $50k originally allocated was used in another area. At this point, the only option we have is to go to Bay Area Park (by Armand Bayou). This is a 22 mile round trip. We have to go because we have a very energetic dog and there isn't anywhere close by that we can let her off leash to run. We discuss this with other dog owners when we go to that park, and they too agree: LC needs a dog park. Thank you for any consideration you can give to this.

Johnson Space Center is a MAJOR employer for League City residents. Please help provide a safe way to bicycle to work!!! Hwy 270 is VERY dangerous and has no shoulder. Hwy 3 is better in terms of shoulder, but the cars move fast on that road. A protected bike lane (physically separated/blocked from the main roadway) would be a great solution on either of these main corridors. Access to these main corridors is also important. Much of 518 and parts of 96 have no shoulder, forcing cyclists to take up a main lane of traffic during rush hour. Top priority should be building safe bicycle lanes/paths around the city (and NOT just sidewalks, as it's technically illegal to bike on the sidewalk). Also, please consider that the needs of joggers and bicyclists are different - many cyclists are interested in lanes/paths that go somewhere (work, grocery store, etc.), while runners are interested in scenic, winding loops. Too often the city attempts to build "hike/bike trails", which likely address the needs of families looking to cycle a path "for fun", but are not sufficient as a transportation corridor. As both a jogger and a bicyclist, I appreciate and use both types of trails. I'm generally satisfied with the available running trails in the area, but bicycle routes need to be addressed.

To develop a park like Houston’s Memorial Park, could be a HUGE boost to League City and set us apart from other cities!

Fire the city manager

Walking trails should be extra wide to accommodate both walkers and bicycles

I would like to see the 16 acre open space in Westover park become a park / open space as was promised when I bought over 8 years ago. It has now become an eyesore and is being used as a dumping area for junk dug up around League City (Concrete, asphalt, rebar, trash) I have voluntarily maintained a large area between the houses and the land for 8 years and find it more and more difficult when concrete, asphalt are dumped. I have tore up two riding mowers over the years when I hit a "surprise"

Other cities have natural unimproved land designated for wildlife. This helps to give wildlife a Home and prevent wild animals from moving in to neighborhoods thereby keeping our children and pets safe

If you are spending money on pouring concrete trails spend the money for proper drainage

League City seems to care more about being able to tax a property versus providing activities and usage areas for residents. Lighthouse Island would make a killer public use facility with an amphitheater, water front park, etc. Imagine watching 4th of July fireworks over the water. Imagine water front concerts. Food truck fridays along a waterfront boardwalk.

I would love to be able to bike safely in most parts of town and would enjoy more nature trails.

Not much is in existence on the south west side of the city. We have lived in Brittany Lakes and Sedona, and there are no city parks or services close in regards to little kids (they can't bike far, and biking with a 4 year old across 45 is just not an option for us).

South shore harbor neighborhood park is nice and has some shade but we do need a splash pad and dog park and some walking trails. Pool could use some updating as well.

League City needs an ice rink. There are none in the county presently. People need a place to play ice skate, figure skate, and play hockey.
We have enough drive in corner stores, car washes and storage buildings! Don't let League City become too cluttered with buildings! We need more restaurants!

Is this survey part of that million dollars someone in our city government wanted to waste on city dev. Research?

League City needs multiple off leash dog parks 🐘

I would love to see more "covered" seating and playing areas in locations that have playgrounds. League City summer heat limits access to some parks because there are minimum covered areas.

We need space for wildlife. Migrating birds need a spot to rest. Deer need areas to roam. Coyotes need natural areas with food sources so they don't wander the utility easements and prey on our pets. I work in houston, but live out here because I like having natural space around - not wall to wall development and suburban blight. We need to retain natural spaces and maintain the charming characteristics of our city and not become generic suburban sprawl.

An ice rink is high on my list of priorities.

Please consider a park like Bay Area park with dog park, splash pad, large pavilion with fans, and please consider amphitheater for concert events on south side of town which could bring in Galveston and lots of south side paying customers for event like Cynthia woods Mitchell pavillion

I would like to see a trail on the electrical high line easement that runs through Cedar Landing and connects to numerous neighborhoods to the west, connecting to other trails in Rustic Oaks, Countryside, etc.

We have a lot of natural beauty which we must preserve. If parks are increased, improved, or acquired through taxation, it is an important part of our quality of life and makes us even more of an exemplary community!

Do not raise taxes

Bayridge

I would like to see an Ice Rink in the community

#leaguecityproud let's keep league city safe and support our first responders more. Lower taxes and spend more money on our museums to help restore our history.

I moved to League City in 1980 with my family and wish we could have kept the small town feel. I moved my family to South Shore Harbour, behind the gates to help insulate my kids from the crime and traffic that now plagues much of our area. The zoning and building of all of the apartment complexes have deteriorated our once great schools. My tax dollars go to pay for the education of families that pay zero in property tax to help with funding.

We would like a dog park!!

Mangolia Creek just off 96 as it continues under 518 and on is a great example of how canals can evolve into streams. The canals in the area along back side of Westover Park starting at Maple Leaf blvd. can also be made into trails. The preservation of open space around it and the trails are very enjoyable.

Safety! Monitored with cameras.

An ice rink is very important to my family.

More publicity needs to be made for these things.

NO NEW TAXES AND REDUCE SENIORS TAXES

The seniors program at Home Town Heroes Park and LC in general is outstanding. Thank you for subsidizing quality facilities and activities for older citizens. It encourages physical and emotional health which raises the quality of life for all and is just a lot of fun. Lydia's staff and class leaders are wonderful. You can't beat the price! Thank you also for including area seniors for such a reasonable price. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.
Ice rink so kids in the south can experience winter sports

We need a dog park. Every decent town of comparable size has one.

I do not oppose all that is presented, but, I do not want my taxes to increase to achieve all the city has placed before the council. Do what can be done with out a tax increase..

no

Would very much love to see a ice skating rink back in the league city area

Consider each area of LC differently. I live in section D of your map and here the neighborhoods are not connected. Be nice to connect neighborhoods so kids can ride to friend’s homes. Be nice for kids to ride to the g-store. In this area too, there are no sidewalks on 96 like on the west side of 45. That would be awesome since people could get around more and not feel so isolated.

Sidewalks along 270 would make this road safer for walkers and bike riders. People now walk or bike in the turning lane which is unsafe

there should be more "NO PARKING, ANY TIME" signs along all Parks streets, in addition; it should enforced by LCPD for all including City Vehicles.

Maintaining the City Services infrastructure has priority over everything in this survey, i.e. Take care of business before expanding to pleasure with limited City funds.

Very very impressed with League City parks department! Helpful, friendly staff, good programs, and nice facilities. Keep up the good work!

Would love to see an ice rink

A splash pad and community park for young children.

Increase number of activities and rec programs for adults in the evenings. Expand options, classes, hours, days, etc. Allow citizens to use pools May thru Oct.

I would place high importance along with my family and friends to have an ice rink available in the area. I had previously traveled for my son’s hockey and spent money at local restaurants and stores when Space City was open. Since it has closed, I and my family/friends have had a significant decrease in the amount of time and money spent in League City and surrounding areas.

I live in Sedona and we would love a neighborhood park or community park within walking distance to us.

N/A

I want an outdoor theater

There needs to be more parks and toddler and/or growing family playgrounds by Hidden Lakes. Not much in this area other than grocery stores and fast food. Love an area with a playground as the center and family friendly restaurants shopping and open space

The community really needs an Ice Rink (Very Important)

I would like to see more sidewalks and walking / biking trails

I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting League City and the trail system as well if an ice rink were built I look forward to visiting and having lunch, dinner etc... after skating in the community.

I would love to have an ice rink back on the south east side of Houston!

WE NEED A DOG PARK!!!!!!

Thank you for helping out with League City Skatepark guys!
Lights at the skatepark, that is all.

A local Ice skating rink would be economically beneficial to the area and serve the several thousand in the area involved in ice sports.

The City needs a more in-depth plan regarding expansion. They are growing to much to quickly. Divorcing their future for the present.

What ever happened to the dog park we approved by well over 80%?

The city is growing so quickly. There are so many kids and youth sports leagues. There are sports parks for baseball and soccer. It would be nice to have facilities for football. It would also be nice if there were clean accessible restrooms at the larger parks.

Since League City is so eager to spend money, renovate and improve what we already have and quit trying to keep up with the Jones's

Thank you for asking!

The idea that citizens in this climate will use a trail system to hike or bike to dine, shop or visit is simple poorly constructed. An individual would be too hot and smell for the vast majority of the year. The hike and bike trails are recreational facilities and nothing more. Sorry, but Pearland has tried to encourage biking to work and requires a bike rack for all new commercial developments. These are a waste of money as I have never seen one bike attached to these racks which cost a lot of money to install and pollution to manufacture.

No

Stop allowing apartment complexes and large scale businesses access to purchasing all green space and open space in the city. As an individual who had been employed by a city that has continuously declined I know for a fact each of these brings crime and makes the city ugly.

I would love to see a park in Sedona. I was told the land in part of the subdivision was owned by the city for a oark. I was also told the funds were misspent. The land is supposed to be at Butler where it dead ends. That would be a great place for a city park.

Some of the city has been kept "aesthetically pleasing" while others have been allowed to over develop and have businesses right in residents backyards. Maybe further city wide planning could ensures that future residential developments have a buffer of some sort from business. I personally don't care for fast food restaurants in my backyard.

Make the sidewalks bigger for golf carts. Also helps when several people are using sidewalks.

We have no senior transportation program like surrounding smaller cities. There is grant money available.

Quit building Kroger's and HEB's on every open piece of land. Quit raising property taxes just because people all of a sudden want to live here. Make trails and parks more available. Maybe if people were more influenced to bike and walk, traffic wouldn’t always be such a pain in the ass around here.

Sedona needs a park!

When you say OPEN SPACE I hope you are meaning wooded areas too.

This survey assumes you are a relatively new to League City and may have selected your home location based upon the amenities. What is so often forgotten are the original residents of LC who were here before the city was incorporated. Their home location has no connection with any amenities. Most of these same people would like improved drainage, utility upgrades and curbed and guttered streets before the constant brainstorming for new leisure facilities. Very little attention is given to areas within the city that are largely unchanged from the 50's and 60's. LC's focus seems to primarily focus on what the relative newcomers want. Of course, they are in the majority now. The people in older parts of town who voted for LC incorporation are ignored.
I am not in favor of bike lanes on the roads. Traffic is very congested and I think it is dangerous.

I think it is nice that league city is planning for this but how about fixing the current traffic congestion first? It is pretty sad that it can take up to 40 minutes to cross from one side of 45 to the Kemah side of league city! Our traffic lights suck and it is very frustrating sitting in traffic!

I really like what you have done on the east side of Hwy. 45 you can ride for a long time over long distances. I don't like having to cross Hwy. 45 on my bike to get there it makes me nervous the traffic is so heavy.

Southeast Houston lost their ice rink relatively recently. It would be incredible (very important) to get a new one in the area. In our climate, it offers a fitness and team sport option for those who cannot be outdoors in the summer. Due to the uniqueness of the facility, it would bring people from all over Houston to the area, which benefits League City businesses.

Challenger 7 Park is a Dangerous Place that is not supported by our local PD. I called 911 for some male proposition for sex confrontations and HPD showed. No one knew it was a League City Park.

Again I would reiterate the interest in an ice skating / ice hockey facility in the League City area - that would complement the existing as well as planned sports and recreational facilities and venues. Demand is here in the area, and there are potential skaters and hockey players who currently access the Sugar Land facility who would move immediately to a new League City ice arena.

Please bring back the Ice Rink!

When our oldest played sports at Chester Davis sports plex it seemed like league city could use another baseball/sports plex. Field use was tight and parking could be hard.

Splash pad would be nice

I think we have ample parks in League City to serve our community. I feel we need to protect our wildlife especially along the creek areas. I would not be opposed to a dog park. I feel most people are not aware of all of the park and recreational areas we have in League City. Maintaining what we have in a pristine condition rather than building new parks are most important in my opinion.

The programs I have participated in have been top notch'

Before we go forward with new projects, let's not neglect the city's existing problems. All League City streets need to have shoulders and curbs, and drainage canals need to be improved. Roadside ditches, ESPECIALLY those with no curbs are extremely dangerous, bad for property values and a liability to the city. They need to be replaced with regular storm drainage sewers. For example, North Kansas Avenue is an extremely dangerous street due to its narrow road with no shoulder or raised curb. I shudder to think of how dangerous it would be to drive on it after a rain that fills the ditch up to the roadway leaving drivers no visible edge of the street, and once the edge on either side is crossed, a car would plunge into the ditch. Even without rising water, a slight veer from the road, such as to avoid a large vehicle or one coming down the middle of the road, could lead to disaster. Even a small improvement such as adding raised curbs to all streets along ditches should be an extremely high priority with League City for basic safety reasons. A raised curb would act as an indicator to drivers that they are too close to the edge of the road and are in danger of driving off of it. Raised curbs would indicate the road's edge in dark or rainy conditions. I'm AMAZED that League City has such dangerous roads as North Kansas Street and others. I would support a tax increase to make the streets safer. Anyone who thinks this is not important because they have been lucky so far, should picture how they would feel about the streets if their driving age children or elderly family members were driving along them. The steep ditches on North Kansas could easily flip a car on its side. Let's fix safety problems before we even consider adding parks, trails, and increasing traffic to our city. Don't neglect the city we have while we consider new projects.

I think that we need more OPEN areas where lots of people can gather for events and get together. I like the idea of that Evening in the Park thing that is going to happen, but I would like to see something like that happen in a place like Challenger Park or Walter Hall...or at Hometown Heroes would be perfect. I love the "small downtown" and having things there, but I think we need to go bigger and get more unity in the community.
League City needs a Ice Skating Stadium.

Buy commercial space by parks and keep leases with select vendors to pay for park infrastructure and maintenance. Partner with power and pipeline easements to have them install trails and lights first before connecting with tax payer money. Find areas on all sides of town and encourage nightlife instead of discouraging it. East side, central and west side. Get young people on 4B and other boards. The old dudes gotta go. Find a new parks director with new fresh ideas. I drive to Galveston with my family to enjoy nature, restaurants and nightlife. League City has absolutely nothing to offer. Kansas street was the first I-45 with a fairy and brick plant when this was called Butler Ranch. That's our history but you miss the story completely. Should be a park with a Huck Finn type statue showing what was for everyone to see. My God man, step it up!

Leave League Park just as it is!!!

Please build an ice rink, as there are none in the area and it would bring city revenue that would be tremendous for the area. Having the only ice rink in the area would really be benificial to our area, and to the city of League City!

I would love for League City to bring an Ice Rink back to our area for skating and hockey.

Would love to see the unused land stay unused or a park. No more homes, apartments or buildings of any type. Save the green spaces!

The parks need to be an organic part of what we are doing and our general family life. It's a fact of the working life that most of the spaces will be used more on the weekend than other times. Don't try to reinvent League City. Just try to service who we are and who we are growing to be.

Walter Hall park needs better boat ramp. Home town heroes park play ground looks cool but isn't practical.

Need an ice rink for hockey and figure skating

Thanks for caring!

I think that some of the landmarks in old League City should be kept in the design, the gazebo, the water fountain, the old book store, old buildings if cost effective should be redone as to keep the historic charm of our little town

Youth programs are way too expensive. Camp by the Creek is priced higher than regular summer daycares. There should be scholarship/merit based programs for the lower income bracket families. Hometown Hero's cost the taxpayers quite a bit of money, and always seems to be closed for small groups, such as the swim team.

DOG PARKS... it is way past time. Use the spaces we have...and just get it done. Stop the waiting.

Again I think there could be a partnership possibility to construct a quality outdoor pool which allows for true competitive opportunities for our kids

We need an ice rink from hockey and figure skating since space city ice closed everyone from Pearland, Friendswood, league city, seabrook Kemah Santa Fe Texas city Galveston and surround areas are driving to Sugarland and Sharpstown on 59

Would like to see a community ice rink. We need a dog park.

More walking and biking trails running along power-line easements and along Clear Creek.

Ice Rink

I am retired and live in Bay Colony. I have respiratory issues so outside activities are not something I support or would use. Being retired, I am for keeping the taxes low.

We need a new animal control facility first!

Need Ice Skating Rink
I do not believe we need any more sports complex. Having nice shaded areas to walk or bike would be really great for seniors.

Building an ice skating rink would help bring the community together

Please no more tax increases for this, although the galveston county claims they didn't raise taxes they did raise home values to make up for that which was inappropriate.

We would love to have an indoor Ice Rink that hosts figure skating and hockey programs. There are a lot of figure skaters and hockey players who have to travel out of town to Sugar Land, Willowbrook, or Sharpstown which is a loss of income for League City. There is a huge group of adult hockey players that are so committed to the sport that they travel an hour away and an hour back late at night just to play. Please make an indoor ice rink here in League City so that the ones who wish to skate have the ability to do so here in their hometown. There are also people from Galveston who travel to play hockey! We used to hold hockey and figure skating tournaments at Space City Ice Station and would get everyone from Louisiana to other states around Texas coming in to participate. So it is not just the League City population who desperately need an ice rink but all over as well. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please make an indoor ice rink.

The greater Houston area lacks the recreational ice facilities present in other large cities, and all of the existing rinks are commercially run. While this is not specifically a League City issue, ice sports are not being supported by any of our cities or counties are actively supporting activities like hockey, figure skating, and curling the way they do other sports.

An ice rink does not only engage entire communities but can double as an emergency center!! Nice and cool!!!

This side of town really needs an ice rink. We have multiple people who drive 45 minutes plus to skate in sharps town several times a week between hockey, figure skating and open skate. It would really be more convenient to have this closer to home.

With the recent loss of Space City Ice Station off El Dorado Blvd., numerous League City residents and those of surrounding cities and towns do not have access to an Ice Skating facility without driving more than 45 minutes across Houston. League City would be an excellent, centralized location in which to replace this loss and provide a destination for families who feel this loss in both finances and time. This would in turn bring increased attendance and revenue to League City’s recreation facilities.

The Oaks of Clear Creek is fortunate to have an on-site elementary school. Unfortunately, only students of the immediate neighborhood can access the school safely by foot or bike because there are no sidewalks or trails connecting the neighborhood to the surrounding environs. Access from TOCC to anywhere by foot or bike requires traveling busy, dangerous thoroughfares (like Highway 3 and Highway 96) or cutting through overgrown, desolate sections of field under the power lines that run behind the neighborhood. I’ve lived in my neighborhood for 20 years and I love it, but the connectivity I see in other parts of League City leave me feeling shortchanged as a longtime resident.

Please bring an Ice Rink to league city

We need an ice rink

I think adding an ice rink in League City would be great. A lot of area high schools play ice hockey and do not have facilities to practice in nearby. They are having to drive at least 45 minutes away to practice. Also, there are alot of recreational teams in the area that could benefit from an ice rink in League City.

Really would like a to see a new ice rink - this area continues to grow in population, for sure interest in hockey has increased so much over past years.

ICE RINK PLEASE

Overall they are pretty good except for teens and also middle aged people. These age groups get lost in the mix. Gaining things like Farmers markets, craft shows, or even car shows for the middle aged people would make things
more fun. The teens do not have many resources or activities to do in League City, thus they have to go to other communities for their activities or leisure time. Most teens do not have cars and the main road ways do not have sidewalks for them to walk on. Including more features for these age groups really helps build sense of community.

An Ice rink would be wonderful for the area.

We lost a valued recreational facility when the Space City skating rink closed down. It benefited figure skaters, hockey players, public skaters, curlers and party goers. We now must fight traffic to go to Houston for inferior and expensive replacement activities.

Love the Hometown Heros facilities and activities offered. Our area desperately needs an ice rink. Since Space City Ice closed in 10/14, the access to an ice rink for recreation is very poor as no ice is within 35 plus miles. We have the 4th largest city and only 5 sheets of ice available to all in the area. Sugarland Ice was out of order recently which meant that Houston lost 1/2 of all ice rinks available if you include the closing of Space City ice. (The Galleria ice sheet is not large enough for ice hockey.) Please consider including an ice rink in your plans as it is a wonderful community activity for families of League City and the surrounding area.

Build an Ice Rink!

Including an ice rink in the plans for League City would serve the community in a way that is not currently met for the entire region south of 610. It would bring numerous people from this region to League City for ice-related events.

Hockey Rink

Really could use a ice rink in town. Sorely needed

We are most interested in having an ice rink. Between Galveston and Houston, there are NO ice skating facilities since the Friendswood (Space City Ice Arena) rink closed. We are fairly certain it would be supported by a great number of people who currently have to drive to Houston or Sugarland in order to play hockey, figure skate, or recreational skating.

Would LOVE to have an ice skating facility - would offer a whole new option for our community

Ice rink

We need an ice rink to have a nice cool sport for the hot summers. We need ice hockey and figure skating for all of south Houston

Ice Rink. This side of Houston lost a very important sports facility for its surrounding communities when Space City Ice Station shut its doors. Numerous families were forced to quit their on ice activities due to the inconvenient locations of the remaining rinks. PLEASE help us offer another form of exercise and recreation for our communities in Southeast Houston!!

An indoor ice rink would fill the gap left when Space City Ice closed. There is a high demand for year round ice for public skate, ice skates and hockey players. In the hot Texas summers, an ice rink is the perfect place to get away from the heat. It’s also a unique place for birthday parties and school field trips.

When the Space City Ice Rink closed down a few years ago, it left a LOT of people hurting for a nearby rink to play at. Personally, I live in Pasadena and drive to Sugarland to play ice hockey. It would be AWESOME if League City opened up an ice rink to serve the southwest Houston area!!

A municipal ice rink would increase revenue for area businesses as it would give more families reasons to come to League City. It would present more opportunities for League City residents to be active as well as activities for children to keep them busy and out of trouble. It would also provide more jobs for the area. If properly managed and maintained, the rink could be self-sufficient financially and would not require financial support from the city.

Add an ice rink
build an ice rink

Add ice skating rink

Ice rink for hockey, figure skating, curling, broom ball, recreation and other community programs. Very important to me.

Please add an ice rink! I personally know hundreds of people that would use it multiple times/week. Besides being an ice hockey player in two leagues plus tournaments, I am also a coach and a referee.

We used to have an ice rink in our area but now the closest ice rink on the other side of Houston. There are many people from our part of town who are participating in ice rink activities across town and a local ice rink might do well.

I think League City is overall doing a great job. There have been many trails added in my area, and I would like to see more. The usage increased dramatically when they were built, based on my observation. Also, the parking and traffic patterns at League City Sportsplex need attention. Hometown Heroes is a much better experience, and the recent addition of parking was a good move.

Ice rink

I love the trails, and would like to see more of them developed throughout League City.

Friendwoods Ice rink closed sending the high school players to Sugaralnd. There are sufficient youth and adults that would use for the facility and it could pay for itself.

WE NEED AN ICE RINK IN LEAGUE CITY: We lost a huge asset when the Space City Ice Rink closed a few years ago. It was a great place for families to enjoy year-round. Whether they were involved in the sports activities, or just using it for recreation, it served as a wonderful gathering place for friends & family, and to meet new friends. It was *wonderful*. Ice skating is fantastic exercise and is great for overall skill-building whether you're 3 years old, or *gasp* 103 years old! Figure skating and ice hockey alike are enjoyed by people of passion and through these sports, a true community is built. We need this in League City; it's a great place to live, and would be an even better place to play in if we had an ice rink! PLEASE build an Ice Skating Rink (allow a private venture)! When we lost ours in Clear Lake, HUNDREDS of children and an almost equal number of adults who enjoy ice sports year-round were displaced! It is very important! Houston has lost half of its facilities over the past few years, now we have to travel an hour or more to enjoy the sports we have for many years. If we have a rink down here, it will keep people from LEAVING to spend their money elsewhere so that their children can keep skating. Why not bring that revenue to LC? The rink supported kids from 3 years old to 90+! Ice Hockey, Figure Skating, Curling, not to mention the purely recreational aspect. WE NEED THIS

Would like to see an Ice Rink.

After Space City Ice Station closed down, my son and I now have to drive to the Sharpstown area in Houston to play ice hockey in our adult league. We would really like to see a hockey rink in League City.

recreational facilities should include an ice rink. There are hundreds of people who don't have a place to skate within an hour's drive, and many more would participate.

An Ice Rink is not on this list and should be. Southeast Houston no longer has an Ice Rink and League City is the ideal place for one. League City should add an Ice Rink by Big League Dreams or the Sportsplex.

Want an Ice Rink, Very Important!

Would play in rec league hockey in local rink at minimum 1x/week, more if it's located close to Chester Davis sportsplex

Want an Ice Rink, Very Important!

League City need an ice rink.
Please consider an ice rink. The Houston metro area has a large hockey and figure skating population that will only continue to grow.

Update transportation infrastructure for cycling to allow residential neighborhoods to connect with libraries, schools, workplaces, and retail shops.

We have lived here 15 years and have been pleased with existing resources, now that the population has increased we would enjoy more parks and need more space for sports fields/leagues. The field situation is needs help asap, Trails should connect across the city in as many places as possible

We would love a community park put in that large space between Westover Park and Magnolia neighborhood on 96/LC Parkway!

I appreciate you offering them in League City, and your willingness to maintain upkeep!

Tails should be more nature orientated, not close to high traffic areas.

Some current parks/facilities have become so neglected they are hardly used at all. I would like to see those areas cleaned up and possibly repurposed. A park doesn't haven't to stay a park it can be repurposed into either a different kind of park, open area or something completely different. Some other parks have become nothing but a meeting place for unmentionable activities due to lack of authority presence. Appropriate levels of patrolling in our public areas by some type of authority need to be considered in these proposals and plans

More parks, bike trails and a splash pad on west side of league city please.

Myself and many others in my neighborhood feel that the cow pasture/greenspace on maple leaf drive should be preserved and not made into more homes or shopping centers. We also love the rural feel of league city down 518 main st. and hope this is something that will stay.

More open/green space and less development/sprawl

Would love to see more natural open space areas, wild life habitats etc. with trails. It’s wonderful to escape the hustle bustle ;)

What are the city plans for the land between Westover park and magnolia creek? Currently being used as city dumping grounds? People want to know now.

Need more attention paid to west side of I-45

Need more OFF road bike trails. High % work at JSC & we cant bike to work safely. Kids walk on 518 without a sidewalk, NOT safe!

It’s hard to make League City feel like we’re running trails outside of Austin. This is due mostly to environment. Even though there are a number of parks, none of which that I’ve been to here have had a feel like we’re far enough removed from residential areas to give the same feeling of which you get from a trail in the hill country.

I’m fine with it as long as it doesn’t increase are taxes that are already to expensive.

I think that there needs to be a facility for activities slated for the west side of league city.

Keep open spaces open - like the one off 96 just east of Westover Park. That land should remain open - could be athletic fields, nature preserve, community park...

very concerned with open space around Tallow Forest St. and potential for making street a through-way. doing so would defeat the reason most residents chose the location to live; country living close to a city.

League City is off to a great start in improving all of these. There should be more information available to the community. For instance, it’s hard to find a good map for the trails. An app would be great that could be used on a phone to follow or determine where the trails and parks are when you’re riding or walking.
We really have a lot going on in League City so not a lot needed to add with the exception of bike lanes, dog parks, and possibly purchasing or using more land for walking, jogging trails.

n/a

It scares me that League City is spending money on the research for this. I think of how much money was spent on researching the river walk on Clear Creek and the money wasted on Field of Dreams.

The city needs to be a leader in the Bay Area for multi-use paths and bike lanes. It is sad that many other communities in the area are many years ahead of us. No new road should be built without proper vulnerable road user protections and with adjacent multi-user paths.

Please build a dog park!!!!!!

I would like big paved trails/roads to ride road bicycle on to get off the streets more.

Please consider talking with neighborhoods to get water fountains installed outside their gates, country side south, Mag Creek, etc. Also get recycle bins back at sports plex... thanks for your time and serving our community :)

The city is not responsible for meeting the needs of residents where private enterprise already exists, for example, fitness facilities. Instead, the city should provide incentives for private business to provide community areas for fitness and recreation within their existing facilities at low cost to the surrounding neighborhoods. This design keeps the tax burden low and provides an opportunity for businesses to engage residents in higher value paying services in which they specialize. Government - at all levels - should not be providing services that can be provided by business in a more competitive, cost effective manner. Moreover, businesses can adapt far more quickly to changing demographics than government.

Build city funded parks on the west side of the city (Westover Park). We are not second class citizens. The east side has sport complexes, city swimming pools, library, and many parks. We have nothing within a 15 minute walk or bike ride.

city should use bayous and canals to develop walk and bike paths like at Countyside and Magnolia. In other cities I have seen the use of these areas to be used as mini parks (college station) like the area by Jack in the box at 518 & 270. The new bike path by Kroger could go into this mini park and go to Heritage Park or under 270 and out to the wildlife bird watching area or the boat landing area or along Clear Creek if you can get a path along the water and follow all the way up to Countyside and then to all along Clear Creek (over landing Blvd to Columbia) and back to the east side follow the ditches to Home Town Park or east to other parks.

Provide necessities such as restrooms in the design of facilities to allow those that use them can stay for extended periods of time. High temperatures for the region and need to stay hydrated creates a need for restrooms everywhere.

Please continue the great work on local hike and bike paths on and off road. We need to be a leader in the area to attract growth, a better economy, events and more business.

Parks and habitat preservation are important. Development in League City seems out of control. More open space should be preserved.

Perhaps I just do not know where to find the information about what League City has to offer. Providing residents with a website link or publishing a mail out which lists the city's open spaces, parks, trails, recreational facilities and programs, with a key to each location indicating where each is located; what each has to offer, whether it is free or fee-based, and any other details which might help residents better understand what is currently available.

I am opposed to the trails concept. It opens neighborhoods to unknowns who may be up to no good. I live in a gated community and I do not want just anyone being able to walk thru my neighborhood.

It would be nice if we could connect all the parks along Clear Creek.
It bothers me that the city hired a firm to study if we need new parks. I remember how the city spent millions on the river walk that never came to be. The city also wasted money on Field of Dreams (nightmares for taxpayers) and it was unsuccessful. As a tax paying citizen, it really irritates me when our city wastes money!!

Not having dog parks drives our residents to other communities for that service. As a result, monies are spent in those communities that we could keep here in League City. As new neighborhoods are developed the yards continue to get smaller and smaller taking away from the space dogs should have to run.

We need a Dog Park

Add requirements to the new developments, make the features we want built into the expansion versus having to retroactively rebuild and squeeze in facilities. Plan from the outset

Citizens have wanted a dog park.

The downtown area is a joke. Even if yall try to do something nice you drive past it and there are embarrassing buildings.

I personally do not mind bicycles sharing the road, but I know others do. Also, it can be dangerous for bicyclists who get caught in te rain, with the only option of riding with traffic. Hike and bike trails could connect people to more things, in a safer manner.

LC needs Mountain bike, dirt-bike, ATV, off-road trails/tracks

Enough sports complexes & Rex centers!

No

I am so proud to live in a city that prioritizes natural spaces and community input! Keep up the great work.

Please focus on youth sports programs. This is what brings in families and keeps high-end housing high-end. League City not being a part of Space City Football Club was a large factor in our decision to build in League City vs. Friendswood or other communities. Additional facilities will help alleviate traffic/parking issues with these programs.

Why all the interest in parks and bike and walking trails? Build a new library!

Homeowners Association Membership and Facilities (Q26-27)

The last topic, other than basic demographics covered by the survey was whether the respondents lived in a neighborhood with a homeowners association (HOA) and, if so, whether the HOA had park and recreation facilities that were used by the respondent.

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<th>Membership in HOA (Q26)</th>
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<td>Yes, 84.1%</td>
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<td>No, 15.9%</td>
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n=1,280
The vast majority of respondents are members of an HOA.

Of the respondents who are HOA members, nearly three quarters have access to HOA-provided recreational facilities and use them. Interestingly, these HOA-related results are nearly identical to those from the 2006 survey.
COMMUNITY SURVEY

During May 2016 to March 2017, the League City community had the opportunity to participate in a survey regarding the City’s parks and trails system. This survey is part of the update to the City of League City’s Master Plans for parks and trails. A survey was also included in the previous Master Plan from 2006, allowing a comparison of some results over time to gauge progress and changing community needs.

The Clark Condon team created this survey primarily for online deployment, though a hard copy version was also available to respondents. After draft surveys were reviewed by City of League City staff, the team deployed the survey in May 2016, promoting the survey at public meetings for the Master Plan update. The City provided general outreach about the survey to its citizens in order to ensure maximum participation. The survey stayed open to respondents until March 31, 2017. The survey instrument is included at the conclusion of this report.

Survey Sample

The survey outreach effort was successful, with 2,398 respondents beginning the survey and most questions intended for all respondents achieving approximately 1,500 to 1,800 responses or more (some questions near the end of the survey, such as the demographic questions, had a lower response rate). Given League City’s population of approximately 99,000 to 100,000 (per current estimates by CDS), this represents a sampling rate of roughly 1.5% to 1.8%, and as high as 2.4%, depending upon the level of response to each survey question. This provides a margin of error, at a 95% confidence level, of approximately 2.3% to 2.5% for most questions. For questions where responses are filtered for subgroups of respondents, margins of error are higher.

The survey included a series of demographic questions to allow for filtered analysis of specific population groups and to understand how representative a sample was achieved (targeted sampling quotas are difficult when using online surveys). This can be compared to recent demographic information from the Bureau of the Census (2015 5-Year American Community Survey or ACS) to identify over- or under-representation of these groups.

Age of Respondents

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<td>35 - 44</td>
<td>29.9%</td>
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<td>65 or older</td>
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Survey n=1,388

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<td>65 or older</td>
<td>8.7%</td>
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Survey n=1,388
Above is a comparison of the age distribution of survey respondents and the Census estimate. Note that due to differences in the delineation in age categories, the youth populations are not exactly mirrored between the two sources.

The survey sample over-represented the age groups between age 25 and 54 in comparison to the total population. However, this is at least partly due to the fact that many parents took the survey as representatives of households with children, rather than children taking the survey directly. This report will provide breakouts of results from respondents living in households with pre-school aged and school-aged children for several survey questions.

Seniors (age 65 and older) were reasonably represented. Overall, the distribution of adult survey respondents reasonably reflected the distribution of those groups in the total population, well enough that no major adjustments to sampling results are necessary.

**Household Type**

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<th>Household Type</th>
<th>Survey Sample Share</th>
<th>5-Year ACS Estimated Share</th>
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<td>Unrelated individuals / roommates</td>
<td>0.5%</td>
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<td>Single, no children</td>
<td>7.2%</td>
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<td>Single with children</td>
<td>4.0%</td>
<td>7.6%</td>
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<td>Single, adult children have left home (“empty nester”)</td>
<td>2.8%</td>
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<td>Couple, no children</td>
<td>12.5%</td>
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<td>Couple with children</td>
<td>53.2%</td>
<td>33.2%</td>
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<td>Couple, adult children have left home (“empty nesters”)</td>
<td>16.1%</td>
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<td>Extended family / other</td>
<td>3.7%</td>
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Survey n=1,396

The survey sample underrepresented single persons and couples without children, while couples with children were overrepresented.

**Ethnicity**

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<td>7.8%</td>
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<td>White, not Hispanic or Latino</td>
<td>82.5%</td>
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<td>Asian</td>
<td>1.4%</td>
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<td>Two or more ethnicities / races</td>
<td>4.3%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>3.0%</td>
<td>0.1%</td>
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Survey n=1,341

Compared to Census estimates of the total population, the survey over-represented the White non-Hispanic / Latino population and under-represented other groups, particularly the Hispanic / Latino and Black / African-American populations. It should be noted that a survey respondent may be of a
particular ethnicity that is different from other members of their household whose interests would be represented in survey answers.

**Household Income**

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<td>Less than $25,000</td>
<td>1.6%</td>
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<td>$50,000 - $74,999</td>
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<td>16.7%</td>
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<td>$75,000 - $99,999</td>
<td>15.7%</td>
<td>16.0%</td>
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<tr>
<td>$100,000 - $149,999</td>
<td>32.8%</td>
<td>22.8%</td>
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<tr>
<td>$150,000 and above</td>
<td>31.9%</td>
<td>22.6%</td>
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Survey n=1,309

While the survey sample represented the upper middle income range (between $75,000 and $100,000) in proportions similar to their proportion as estimated by the ACS, it over-represented higher income groups at the expense of lower income households. This report will provide breakouts of results from lower income households for several survey questions to examine potential differences in preferences that might otherwise be masked in the overall sample.

**Gender**

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<th>Gender</th>
<th>Survey Sample Share</th>
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<tr>
<td>Female</td>
<td>61.2%</td>
<td>49.8%</td>
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<td>Male</td>
<td>38.8%</td>
<td>50.2%</td>
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Survey n=1,349

The survey sample over-represented female respondents. Again, it should be noted that the respondents may have represented the preferences of household members of the opposite gender in their answers.

**Housing Tenure**

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<th>Tenure</th>
<th>Survey Sample Share</th>
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<tr>
<td>Renter</td>
<td>9.2%</td>
<td>27.1%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Owner</td>
<td>90.8%</td>
<td>72.9%</td>
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Survey n=1,398
Lastly, the survey inquired as to the housing occupancy tenure (form of residency) of the respondents. The survey sample significantly over-represented homeowners. This is not atypical of community surveys conducted for public agency planning purposes; the renter community can be difficult to reach and may not be as motivated to respond.
Survey Results

Where Respondents Live and Work

The survey asked respondents in what part of League City they lived, as defined by the sector map below. It also asked if they worked or attended school in these sectors.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Q1 Where do You Live in LC?</th>
<th>Estimated Share of Population</th>
<th>Q3 Work or School in LC?</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sector A</td>
<td>6.4%</td>
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<td>Sector B</td>
<td>31.8%</td>
<td>35.2%</td>
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<td>Sector C</td>
<td>18.6%</td>
<td>27.7%</td>
<td>12.8%</td>
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<td>Sector D</td>
<td>30.9%</td>
<td>36.1%</td>
<td>13.5%</td>
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<td>Does not live (Q1), go to work/school (Q3) in LC</td>
<td>12.3%</td>
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<td>60.9%</td>
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n=2,381 (Q1), 2,304 (Q3)
The results show that, while not exactly matching the estimated shares of the residential population, the respondents’ residential locations roughly approximate the shares for each sector.

Those who did not live in League City were asked to provide their home ZIP code. These are summarized as follows:

Where in League City Respondents Live and Go to Work / School – Non-Residents

<table>
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<tr>
<th>ZIP Code</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th># Respondents</th>
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<tr>
<td>77546</td>
<td>Friendswood</td>
<td>29</td>
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<tr>
<td>77539</td>
<td>Dickinson</td>
<td>22</td>
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<td>77058</td>
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<td>77062</td>
<td>Clear Lake</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>77586</td>
<td>Seabrook / El Lago</td>
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<td>77059</td>
<td>Bay Oaks</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>77584</td>
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<td>77598</td>
<td>Webster</td>
<td>10</td>
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<tr>
<td>All others</td>
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<td>148</td>
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n=293

Respondents who do live in League City were asked for how long they have lived there.

How Long Have Respondents Lived in League City (Q2)

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<th>Length of Time</th>
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<td>1 - 5 years</td>
<td>24.6%</td>
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<td>6 - 10 years</td>
<td>20.8%</td>
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<td>11 - 20 years</td>
<td>24.9%</td>
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<tr>
<td>More than 20 years</td>
<td>24.0%</td>
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n=932

The results show a relatively even mix between long time residents and newer residents, is reflective of League City’s ongoing fast residential growth.

Park Usage, Frequency, and Satisfaction

Before asking respondents about specific parks, the survey inquired as to their overall perception of how well park the various high-level categories of facilities and services are meeting the community’s needs.
How Well are the Facilities and Services Meeting the Community’s Needs? (Q4)

Respondents rated Parks overall most highly for meeting community needs. They rated Trails the overall lowest. While trails also registered the least satisfaction in the 2006 survey, satisfaction with parks is higher now than in the previous survey.

Frequency of Visits to Specific Parks (Q5)

The survey provided a list of League City’s municipal park and trails facilities, plus two county-owned facilities, for respondents to indicate their frequency of respective visits. The vast majority of parks and recreation facilities are visited very rarely or not at all by a very high share of respondents.

However, some parks did stand out for being more frequently visited. The summary below provides a list of parks that are visited at least once a month by 10% or more of the overall respondent sample and each of three respondent subgroups: respondents with children in the household age 2 to 5, respondents with school-aged children aged 6 to 17, and respondents who identified themselves as over age 55.

Park Facilities Visited at Least Once a Month by 10%+ of Respondent Group (Q5)

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<tr>
<th>Park Name</th>
<th>All Respondents</th>
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<th>HH with Children Aged 6-17</th>
<th>Respondent Aged 55+</th>
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<td>Chester L. Davis Sportsplex</td>
<td>X X</td>
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<td>Challenger Park</td>
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<td>Hike &amp; Bike Trails</td>
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<td>Hometown Heroes Park</td>
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<td>League Park</td>
<td>X X</td>
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<tr>
<td>Walter Hall Park (county park)</td>
<td>X X</td>
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The Hike & Bike Trails and Hometown Heroes Park are consistently the most visited facilities.

Respondents with school-aged children in the household reported more visits to parks with athletic fields and facilities: Hometown Heroes Park and the Chester L. Davis Sportsplex showed high visitation.
The following chart provides an overview or reported visitation to all League City park facilities.

The 2006 survey highlighted parks that are visited at least once a year. By that standard, Helen’s Garden registered as one of the most popular; this was the case again in the current survey. Otherwise, the parks with the most popularity are similar in the two surveys, one other exception being Hometown Heroes Park, which did not exist in the previous one.
Usage of Trails (Q6)

The survey asked respondents how they used the trail system. More than one selection was allowed.

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The survey allowed respondents to volunteer their own description of trail usage. Those answers are listed below. Many emphasized the role dog walking plays in their trail usage.

Other Ways Respondents Use Trails

- Drive around and talk on the roads through the park
- I'm not aware of where the trails may be. Is there a map?
- Kayaking Clear Creek
- I don't know where they are, but would like cycling for leisure away from car traffic
- not sure where they are
- We use the paved trails to walk our child back and forth to Ross Elementary through Newport Park when weather permits. We live in Newport and enjoy the walk when we can. Sidewalks throughout the neighborhood are in rough shape though. I have to push my youngest son in a stroller and it is difficult to maneuver, also creating a tripping hazard for the little ones heading to and from school.
- Walking my dogs
- But trails are located far from me.
- Trails are not scenic. Not enough parks period. Sad
- Uncertain of our trails
- Sit, relax, enjoy nature and people watching.
- To get to a trail in my area, I would have to drive several miles to get to it. That's not terribly convenient, so I don't use them. But I do like the idea of them!
- I'm not aware of any trails near me.
- Don't know of any trails in my area
- Walking my dog
- I'm not sure where they are
- Dog
- Walking dogs
- What trails?
- Walking my Dog
- Walk my dogs.
- However, the space on League City Parkway between Westover Park and Magnolia Creek needs to have the trees taken down as it is not safe. Can't be seen when walking thru there and snakes have been out a ton this year.
- We wish there were actual biking trails or pathways within our parks for biking.
- The City of Houston has so many, but we have to fight the traffic to get to them. We need nice urban biking places in LC. Please. : )
- Walk dog
- Too far from my home to use Witt driving
- Dog Walking
- League City is another strip-city providing bedrooms for Houston workers. Hell bent on car traffic and incorporation of remote areas. Poor poor idea of desirable quality urban settings. The traffic is poorly managed - example: the two lane left turn
at I45 from 518, unmarked except for an arrow painted under the car at the light. Wow, that was a surprise when the guy next to me also turned left. But, League City is preoccupied with realtor free infrastructure needs.

Do all the council members really think an ever expending city is evidence of anything other than a strong relationship, not with its citizens, but with the real estate game.

Sure makes for a butt-ugly area of the county!
There are no trails in the area.
I didn't know we had trails
There are not any cycling and jogging trails in my area

Mountain Bike trails
Fishing
Fishing
Skateboard
Kid adventures
Chilling.
Long boarding
Dog walking
i would use them for offroading
I wish I could use the trails for running but you have to drive there to use them! Why not make more usable roads/trails to get to the parks.
Fun way to explore other neighborhoods/parks in different parts of LC.
I didn't know we had any.
Walking dog
Would like to have some trails around League city Park
I want to use trails for biking but do not know where they are located.
I don't really use League City trails because they are not as 'nice' as others near by
Walking the dog, and trying to get the kids some nature. For some of the city kids these parks are what the outdoors are.

Repair-report damage area
Taking the family out for walks in nature
Dog park
Walking with my dog
Walking my dogs
I walk my dogs.
Walk dogs!!
I would use them but they are not in my area or I am not aware of them, in Historic District north of Main. I would use for walking, bicycling, alternative to driving to a destination.

dog walking
Trails? We have trails? Sidewalks don't count....
Are there trails in my area?

dog walk
Use the league city paddle trail in kayaks.
No known trails in the Bay Colony area.
Are there even walking trails in LC?
walk the dog
There are no trails in bay colony pointe.
Dog walking
Where can you ride horses? What trail?
Bike ride for exercise
No. there are not any trails near my home.
I and many others walk our dogs daily in various locations around the city
There aren't trails near my house and some places don't even have sidewalks
I didn't know we had hike and bike trails
Walk dog
What Trails??
Jack Brooks is the only bike trail in our area. You have misdefined "bike trail"
There are no trails in my area.
Minimal available. Asked Chamber of Commerce and they were confused if LC had any. I'd REALLY like to see trails in LC.

What trails
I am in a wheelchair so trails are not accessible to me.
mountain biking
Exploring with children
Walking dogs.
No trails in my area would love to bike ride on some.
There are no trails close to my home. If there were we would use the to walk.

Mountain biking
What trails?
Didn't know there were trails
Walking dog
Mountain bike
would love to have some type of Mountain bike trails similar to Jack Brook Park.

Pie in the sky think Valmont Bike Park in Boulder, CO.
I don't know what trails you are talking about.
Baby jogger
walking with dog
walking with dog
Concern about safety on trails due to motorized vehicles and vegetative growth impeding walkway.
i utilize the Tuscan Lakes sidewalks, South Shore sidewalks, and large 518 sidewalk.
I like the trails to be there, but as yet I have not used them. But I still think they are great to have and maintain.
I don't know where trails are located!
Walking my dogs. League City needs a dog park. Why don’t you mention this in the survey to see how many residents agree.

Dog walking
Dog walk
Walk the dog

There are no "real" trails in League City to run, mountain bike or cycle. I have to go out of the city for that.

No cycling trails nearby. I bike on 96 b/c of wider road.

Trails need to be unpaved, preferable with switchbacks and trees

walking with dog

What trails? Like many people in my area, I use the Interurban easement, which is attainable on foot. Not at all.

I have only used trails within my own subdivision. I was unaware of a wider League City trail network.

Girl and Boy Scout Adventures
Walk my dog
Dog walking

Walking my dogs several times a day. Really wish there were dog parks. Dogs really need to run and play.

Walking my dogs

no trails in our area. we dont even have completed sidewalks and its an established neighborhood/area

Dogs walking.
Skateboarding
Dog walking

Walking my dog

I live off Calder in Wilshire Place near the county annex. Would love to see trails added to easement by the power lines behind our neighborhood with a path from rear of Pecan Forest to 518 and rear of Wilshire Place to Walker. Would love to be able to walk/ride to the library and/or Walter Hall Park.

There really are not "trails" in the area of Meadow Bend subdivision. There are some sidewalks, but they are not really user friendly for the activities I have noted.

I would love to use them as an alternate to driving. I am a runner, but I am unaware of any trails in my area.

I don’t know of trails in my area

Walk with children to learn about different things in nature

I didn’t know we had any

I’d like to know where these trails are

Where are the trails?

I drive to Seabrook to use their trails at least 3 times per week.

Photography
Looking for more connectivity

Dog walking Please plan on building a dog park!

There should be more trails leading to the schools I don’t know where they are.

Geocaching
To my knowledge, there are no trails within walking distance of where I live (zone c)

We have no trails in our sector of league city. All We have is 96 and that’s not very safe.

I don’t have trails in my area. I would like them

No real trails in League City. Only a VERY FEW walking sidewalks. LC NEEDS more walking places for exercise !!!!

I don’t know of any trails in my area D, other than the ones in Marbella, (concrete) which I use frequently. I use roads to cycle to stores/ CVS as alternative. I would use and want trails in my area to use alternative means to travel.

I don’t know where any trails in my League City area are.

I don’t have any that are close

There are no trails in our area, but I would use trails, to run/jog, cycle, walk, and as an alternative to driving if trails were closer.

Views of natural life. My kids love it

Mountain biking

I use the trails & sidewalks as a safe place to cycle with my child in a bike trailer. There is very little connection between neighborhoods so that you can’t really get anywhere on roads that are safe for biking with a small child, whether in a trailer or on their own bike. I would like to be able to bike TO places such as local restaurants, ice cream shops, the YMCA, etc. The recently-completed trails do at least give me about a 10-mile route, but it’s fairly convoluted! I’d like to be able to ride more like 30 miles (or more)!

Not really sure where explicit trails are. Normally end up walking or horseback riding on neighborhood sidewalks if I’m lucky with the sprawling subdivisions.

Walking my dog.
Walk my dog

Have none

Pretty much stay in old League City.

There are no known trails in our area.

I live in South shore harbor (gated) and wish we had walking/biking trails

Walking my dog. Twice daily
I use neighborhood trails to run not away of city trails
Walk dogs
walking the dog
Don't know of any in my area
Didnt realize that League City had any trails, we frequent Sea Brook and walk quite often on the trail to Pine Gully Park/Pier.
Dog walking
I walk the sidewalks in my neighborhood quite frequently. But am unaware of city trails.
what trails are you talking about- didn't know we had any to use...if I did it would be for biking
Don't know where they are
I am not aware of the trails available
I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting League City and the trail system.
I skateboard.
The trails are on the other side of 45 and not convenient to ride my bike. I would love to see trails closer to Kemah side, I would ride my bike all the time if those were close.
Off leash dog walking
There are no trails close to Sedona subdivision. We walk the streets due to a lack of a walking space or park.
street
I walk 2.5 miles daily, however, it is rarely on League City's trails. It is so much more convenient walking around my neighborhood that getting to the start of a trail. If I need to drive to a park for walking, I prefer Randolp Park in Friendswood. It has a nice loop trail in a wooded area. I actually visit it far more than LC parks. LC's trails are mostly linear or in subdivisions that I find less desirable.
I love riding my bike long distances on and off trails like hills and clay off road. I would like to see more trails for mountain bikes. I like the concrete trails as well, but more off road stuff would be awesome.
I love riding long distances on my bike. I like the off road trails also (clay and dirt hills for mountain bikes.)
Where are they?
My neighborhood is designed to meet most of these need for me
I use my trails of n my HOA that I pay for.
I don't know of any trails near Calder Dr.
There are no accessible trails near my neighborhood
There aren't any
No trails by where I live in dove meadows
Hiking and backpacking. Scouting events.
Sometimes to go to convenience stores. They're great!
Currently I have not utilized the trails. In the past I used them rather frequently with my group of cub scouts.
I was not aware of the trails available. But would use for walking
Hiking, relaxation, just getting outside
We travel outside of league city to bike on a trail not close to traffic
I don't know of any trails in my area.
Walk dogs
Jogging/running and walking the dog
Walking the dog.
What "trails" do we have? If you are referring to sidewalks that connect neighborhoods, I don't consider those to be real trails
Dog walking
Not familiar with cycling trails or I would use them
Looking for more recreation off the road to exercise and enjoy the community.
I would love to walk the trails but none of them are near where I live.
Walk the dog
Dog walking
walking dogs
Roller blade
Dog walking
Opinion of Facility Maintenance and Conditions (Q7)

Respondents had an opportunity to offer their opinions on the maintenance and conditions of the various park facilities. Based on their chosen assessment of the conditions, a rating scale was also assigned, with “Not at All Satisfied” = -2 and “Completely Satisfied” = +2. “Don’t know” responses were not assigned a rating value, and did not affect the calculation of the average rating.

Respondents’ Assessment of Facilities Maintenance and Condition (Q7)

Most parks received majority “Don’t Know” responses, most likely owing to the respondents’ lack of familiarity with the facilities. Of the City-owned parks, Helen’s Garden and Hometown Heroes were notable for their strong ratings, along with a relatively high number of respondents choosing to select a rating. Hike and Bike Trails, while having a high level of familiarity, also had the weakest average rating. In 2006, trails and bike lanes also had the lowest satisfaction with maintenance.

Respondents also had the chance to offer their own opinion of the condition of other parks. Their answers are provided below.
Other Opinions on Maintenance and Conditions of Park Facilities (Q7)

Over all the parks are well kept, which is a very important. The trails that are there are mostly very nice but they stop abruptly, do not connect well, and there are not nearly enough of them. League park needs beautification. I am disappointed in the lack of road cycling lanes and trails. Last month I went kayaking clear creek. There were several others on the creek. One jet ski and several fishermen. The water and banks between Hwy 3 and I-45 had a lot of trash. We chose to buy a home last August. The primary factors were outstanding police department, quality of commercial stores, and the cleanliness of parks and facilities. Horrified at how much money the city put into the big dreams park; horrified at how much damage the city did to our neighborhood when installing the hike and bike trails - leaving us to suffer the damage and now to have to pay for the repairs and maintenance.

Newport park has improved over the past couple of years, which we residents appreciate. It is frustrating seeing the vandalism that occurs, as I have found bullet casings, other drug paraphernalia all on the playground, and one of the brand new tables has been partially melted away by I am assuming a lighter. I know there is only so much that can be done about this, but every time I take my small children out there I have made a habit of circling and inspecting the entire playground before letting them loose. Challenger park is very nice, however the trails go underwater quite quickly when we've had any amount of rain and become unusable. Every time I have gone out there the trails were not of much use. Would be better if jogging trails had gravel/clay base like outdoor track and field facilities. It's much easier on the knees than concrete. See Stevenson Park in Friendswood.

Dog waste containers are not emptied often enough and often there is no waste bags. I really want to see some outdoor lighted pickleball courts!! Newport Park needs to add the dog park of at least 5 acres. It is a waste of space without the dog park and if it isn't going to be used it should be sold by the city to private development. It's been a while since I've been to any of the parks. I used to go to Hometown Heroes park at least once per week...usually twice. I really love that park and its facilities. So many people have golf carts, but we don't have any trails to ride them on. It would be nice if the city built hike, bike, & golf cart paths (multi-use paths).

Cable park
If drainage ditches were mowed more frequently, I would enjoy walking those. We need to please address the amount of litter in our parks and overall communities. I feel too much of the city's finances are being spent on areas that are not utilized to their full potential. We are "over-parked". The quality of maintenance is pathetic.

Walter Hall is effectively unregulated. It's in League City but the city tends to disavow responsibility because it is a county park. That is what I have been told when I submit complaints on what transpires there. A good example of the problem is the attempt to fix what must be the crony mall losses at the park with the railroad tracks. Who payed off whom on that one. Did ya ever see the anthropology films of the Cargo Cults on Pacific islands: airplane replica trying to lure the real ones flying overhead to land. Yep, cargo cult thinking.

Not yet familiar with trails or parks names. I get frustrated with the water ponding on magnolia creek trails.

100% I like the walking trails through the neighborhood where I live.

We need a dog park near South Shore Harbor. Need updated skatepark.

Wish that the hike/bike trails are through out League City. Would like to get from my area (SSH) to Heritage Park or other parks by walking or biking. "5 corner intersection" is very unfriendly when it comes to walkers/bikers. Hike/bike trails are good as long as you stay in your general neighborhood. Country side, Walter Hall and Challenger are great. They have a mix of activities.

LeaguePark paver and uneven I think permeable surfaces should seriously be considered to keep mitigate runoff from park. The city 's history with league park since expansion of late 1980's to the construction of boundless playground is to do nothing with runoff which has wreaked those along Michigan ave.
Trail need missing links filled. Trails should have sawed joints not tolled joints. Skate park needs lights and shaded structure. Even though I may not frequent all parks or the boat ramp, I do pass them all, from time to time and notice that they are Well Kept! Thanks.

Need dog park
Does the city take care of Newport and Rustic Oaks parks? Why don't there HOA do that?
I live closest to Bayridge and this park is not given regular maintenance. In my opinion, it looks like the city doesn't care. Instead of upkeep on the swings, they are completely removed. My children (2) cannot all swing at the same time. I'm sure the apartment complex near by doesn't help the situation but it's a sad underused park. I never see anyone on the basketball court or baseball diamond.

We spend a lot of time at Stevenson Park in Friendswood - the walking path, the splash pad and the park. I wish League City had something comparable.
Hometown Heroes pool should be deeper so as to accommodate year round swim and water polo. It is too shallow!
270 boat ramp, docs need more cleats to tie of boats, pavement needs repair
Lynn Gripon Park at Country side. Would like to see an improved kayak launch than what's currently there.
I would be completely satisfied if they had a large off leash area for dogs
Sorry, been too long in between visits.

Rustic Oaks Park would be nice to have restroom facilities. I understand it's small though.

Lobit park is disgraceful
need dog parks at each park so dogs can be off leash
Lobit park is a disgrace

Hike n bike trails seem maintained a few feet from either side of path. Why not up to the backside of people's fences since that is LC property.
Access to assets like the sand volleyball courts is too limited. Why can't they be opened for public play. Such a waste to keep them locked up.
I find most places "OK" but, seem to view them more often than not, as under maintained.
Challenger Park frequently becomes water logged around the playgrounds. I would use that park more if the drainage were better.
I'm afraid to use the trails at countrysdie park (only one I know of) due to hearing about assaults and shady people loitering in that area.

Pasadena dog park is great, shady. Mostly satisfied but it is too far away and I think it is dangerous

Lob it park really needs to be improved. Need playground, picnic tables, update pavilion and bathrooms. The whole park needs an upgrade
More child friendly playground at hometown heroes park. The park is mainly for big kids.

LCPD does not adequately enforce the law in Walter Hall Park. I assume this is because it is not city property. However that leaves nobody enforcing the law there, because the Sheriff's Dept. doesn't seem to do it either, maybe because they figure it is within LC city limits.

My wife and several friends are Senior Citizen's. We enjoy being involved with Water Exercise; however, because, League City does not have a covered Swimming Pool we are required to pay to participate with a Community where this type of facility is provided.

Need a dog park and dog friendly trails
We have been pleased with the number of trash cans. I don't know if you could provide recycling containers for paper/plastic but that might reduce solid waste.

Walter Hall is outdated. The park for kids doesn't have level land which isn't safe for kids or parents.
Chemicals off in Pool causing damage to my hair, and very unhappy with a few of the lifeguards and the way the handled my hearing impaired child. Have not returned even after purchasing a annual pass

There is a baseball field on Walker road and Park Avenue. I'm not certain if the location is owned by the city or the elementary school, but the benches and fencing are in deplorable condition.

Walter Hall play structures need updating. Is a Nature Center and programming planned for the Nature Center? We drive all the way to Armand Bayou Nature Center because LC has no programming. We LOVE Ghirardi park play structure and learning about the plants/water/oaks. League Park has LOTS of shady adult characters loitering in their cars. Hard to keep eyes on two kids with the play structure.
Hometown Heroes playground is MUCH safer. Fun to go after swim lessons. Wish the trees (or at least shade sail additions?! ) were more plentiful and bigger there, but realize it's probably part of the water/maintenance design plan.

League city parks playground is always littered with trash and cigarette butts :( 

Tried to run at the Clear Creek Nature Center. Border trail very uneven and overgrown.
There needs to be more shaded areas and easier bathroom access.
The bridge on the magnolia creek is slippery and needs repair. People have fallen and it is a liability. I understand it is not deeded to the city and should be. It is used by all of LC residents.
Love our League City pool.
Walter Hall needs updating. More mulch is needed around the play equipment for safety purposes.
League City Park, needs signs to tell people NOT play, walk, take photos on LiVE track. Totally not safe.
I spend a lot of time at Bay Area park, Nassau Bay Park, All of the Seabrook parks.
Walter Hall Park pond has had a strong unpleasant smell in the past, so I stay away more often than I used to. I suppose it is acceptable that the creek also has, an unpleasant odor as well, but I don’t care for it.
Sportsplex, Lobit and Walter Hall Parks need power washing, paint and general upkeep. County parks are by far in the worse shape. Perhaps the County Judge and Commissioners should have spent the $700K on park refurbishments instead of trying to breach separation of powers in their fight with the judicial branch...
LC needs more walking areas!!
I was married in the Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center. I would like to see some longer distance running and mountain biking trails.
There are no natural surface trails for mountain biking and trail running.
Want to see more natural surface trails for mountain biking.
For the hike & bike trails, there are some areas where you still have to take a sidewalk, so it is very narrow for bikers. There are also places that are difficult to get through with a bike due to the barriers to keep vehicles out, and because the design has 90-deg turns instead of curves. This is especially a problem when pulling a child in a bike trailer.
I believe that either Gripon or Walter Hall Parks could accommodate and support a dog park. The soccer field at Rustic Oaks Park, which is rarely used for soccer games, has potential to be a dog park site... especially since it has a city hike and bike trail running through it.
Boat ramp/area at Walter Hall needs work, it gets a LOT of traffic!
Don’t dismiss the statistical outliers. Even NASA admits those are the ones that bite you in the ass!
Disappointed that USA swim competition events can’t be held at Hometown Heroes.
Skate park at big league dreams needs to be made bigger and given some sort of shade and bathrooms.
League City in my opinion has done a wonderful job in the past. Continue doing what has been done. I am particularly impressed with the Police Department.
Went to visit Bayridge Park. The grass was extremely high. Did not get out to play with my dog. Went to another park. Lobit Park has some flooding issues. When I went to visit, other people said there were a lot of snakes at the park. All of the other parks listed are very clean and well maintained.
Countryside park has some flooding issues occasionally but it is beautiful park.
The boat ramp at 270 is filthy and embarrassing.
Would love more benches and tables for individual families. More spaces /facilities for parties. More restrooms for areas that don’t have them.
Continue growing the trails throughout the city.
Would love to have bike lanes / sidewalks on all of the major roads.
Challenger park - the areas between play structures can get very wet, making it difficult to navigate with children.
Didn’t know there where that many parks.
In Sedona the 10’ open space East of Section 4 shown in all permit Platts filed with city is being sold as lots in Section 5! How is this allowed to happen?? could be a trail.
Would like to see more hike/bike trails at Challenger Park and a park with jogging/biking trails in the Sedona subdivision.
Hometown hero sis confusing. All the hometown hero signs are at league park. Stupid name for eastern regional park and it cost us a lot of money to rename it.
The bathrooms at Gripon are disgusting. They are always flooded and half the time the toilets won’t flush well.
Some of the trails have the dirt under the concrete washing away, making them unstable and not very level.
The only issue we have with league park is when those caterpillars come in. Tussock moth caterpillars can cause rashes and irritation. As for Challenger Park, I think as long as we’ve been going there at least one of the playgrounds has been caution taped and out of service. The pebble playground surface is super messy and the grass between is full of prickers and ants.
Would like to see officer patrols at Walter Hall Park. I'm a female who likes to jog here alone, and would be good to see officers making rounds. I'm especially nervous after the events that happened at the McDonald's at Hwy 3 and 518 on May 7th. Seems like I'm hearing of more occurrences where people come up Hwy 3 from Texas City to commit crimes in League City.

The Sportsplex has so many issues, starting with only one amazing man in charge of trying to keep it in order. We have outgrown the parking, when soccer and baseball are going on at the same time, it is near impossible to find a parking spot. The restrooms are often filthy and covered in ants and spiders. Near every field there are ant mounds which are so dangerous. The drainage...OMG. I know we have gotten a lot of real rain lately, but in the past the slightest amount of rain caused cancellations because our fields were never designed with the proper drainage system, therefore they withhold water, as well as the dugouts. Poor design. It is such a beautiful ballpark, park and field, with so much potential for hosting tournaments, etc. but until we address this issues, we will continue to run people away. Please help restore our fields.

Bathrooms at sportsplex & hometown heroes (outside access by pool exit) during the month of May has been HORRIBLE! I am at this park every day.... If there where more actual bike lanes and multi-use paths my scores would be higher.

all the parks I marked on prior screen are always maintained nicely, I was disappointed that the recycle can's were not at the Sportsplex last time I was there, I'd also like to see more of the neighborhood parks and trails get WATER FOUNTAINS! Our city is HOT and we need access to water on the trails. Most of the neighborhood parks, do not have water access outside their gates. :( Hometown Heros Park needs port-a-potties NOW. Not awaiting a master plan to implement restrooms for the soccer fields that are too far from the parking area potties. Bathrooms at older parks aren't clean. Non functioning water fountains at Countryside.

Why Not Visiting Parks (Q8)

Respondents indicated a wide variety of reasons why they do not visit parks in the Question 8 list. The top reasons were “I’m not aware of what facilities are available” (44%) “I instead use other parks around League City” (43%), “Inaccessible / too far / can’t walk or bike there” (35%). These results generally did not differ dramatically for the subgroups analyzed in Question 5. The lack of awareness of available facilities was also the primary reason cited in the 2006 survey.

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Respondents also had an opportunity to provide other reasons they do not visit parks in League City. Their answers are listed below.

**Other Reasons for Not Visiting Parks (Q8)**

Lack of safe road cycling.
I am going to one of your parks and looking for your park rules - are dogs allowed at all parks. I can't find any information on your site
The nearest park is close, convenient, pleasant and well kept. There is no need to go further.
I primarily use parks for running/ hiking. Parks without reasonable trails, or are just concrete sidewalks are not what I want. However, they should be safe for all citizens and I intend to visit all the parks. Some I have not visited yet.
I REALLY would like a fitness trail somewhere near me! I have been looking for one for years. I hear that there used to be one in Lyn Gripon park but that like took it out.
I live off of Davis Rd and there are not many trails around.
I want a park where dogs can play off leash.
We stay in Westover Park where we live & do our walking. It is safer.
Cable
Just not that close to my home.
Difficulty to access lit areas at night - Galveston County tennis courts won’t light up.
Another field with a fence around it and a set of restrooms, somewhere on the property. Nice mosquitoes too.
I would like to access these parks via bike/hike trails opposed to driving there. We moved from Seabrook and really enjoyed the bike/walk trail system there which connected several parks. We often visit family in Phoenix. They have FABULOUS bike/hike trails which interconnect their parks
No family member or friends live near them
Live closer to Friendswood and the Stevenson park has walking trails covered with trees
I frequent the parks and trails in my area, but if League City has a cable park I will be a regular just as I am at the two current parks in the greater Houston Area -
We live on the West side of League City. Due to traffic on 518 at peak times, we often just go to parks in Friendswood.
Not sure where they are.
Build a top notch cable wake park
Would go to wake park!!! :)
Live in Houston
not enough tree coverage and trails

I didn't know they existed
There is no dog park near me
Although I've found the link on the city website with each park listed, I'd like additional information posted on some of them.
I have never heard of them.
When walking our pets, we use the sidewalks available in our own subdivision.
I didn't know about them. I get into a routine and then don't stray usually for quite sometime.
We live close to Heritage Park and it meets our needs without venturing further. It is really a great park.
Like the parks but busy.
Use parks that are near my home, work and kids' activities.
activities are not held there
I use the parks closest to my home which i can walk or bike.
They do not have pickleball courts.
I was not aware of most of them.
I spend just about every day at the skate park.
No longer active in many of the activities.
Need dog park
Lobbit has too many problems ie drug users
I only use the Newport park because i can walk my dogs there from the house
No pets allowed. Ridiculous.
There are no dog parks.
I don't go to parks.
I don't live in League City; but if I did I would use the parks.
trails are cement and not any better for joints than running on road
Need to be able to bring dogs on leashes.
Parks with play grounds need shade covers!!
Any park on other side of I45 is hassle to get to due to traffic
There are no parks near my neighborhood. A city park near Sedona subdivision would be great.
We go to other bike trails in Houston or Webster clear lake area
Didn't know about them.
Lighting
do not need to visit
I am not sure exactly where some of them are
Not enough shaded areas
Too far away
I go to Runge Park or Jack Brooks to ride horses. We stay around the 96 area sidewalks that go all the way to Bay Area Park, but right now we can't as the sidewalk hasn't been reconnected near the Elementary school. Add facilities for off-leash play for dogs. I have small children and just go to what I know and has plenty of activities for them to do and is comfortable for me to enjoy as well. Either too far to drive or I just haven't made it out there yet! Only lived here less than 2 years. I don't know what is out there, where they are located. Perhaps easier access to locations and what they offer would be or at least better direction on where to find that information. 

At age where do not use parks. No dog park. Too small. Not close to home. Not sure where they are. Need dog parks.

Traffic to get to league city. Don't know where most of them are. Take my fur babies to Pasadena dog park. Need shaded trails and shaded areas and shaded dog park. Use parks closer to home except I have to go to other cities to enjoy a dog park. My dog is an animal assisted therapy dog. Both of us need to exercise and socialize. We serve in League City. We would like to play in League City.

Need mountain bike trails. It is usually it is a time constraint and than not having access to the facility or park asset because it is locked and fenced. Not enough shade.

I want real mountain bike trails. I'm an avid off road Mountain biker. I drive to Jack Brooks park in Hitchcock to ride. I want a trail close so we don't have to drive too far away from where I live or do not provide what I am interested in enjoying. Did not know they were there. Just moved to area 2 yrs ago, have no children. There are no real safe running trails and no mountain bike or cycling trails. There are not enough attractive nature trails and boardwalks in the east League City area; Clear Creek Nature Center hours are too limited and should be expanded after 7 pm. I'd rather go somewhere that is closer to home. Not too far. Less than a mile away. Do not know where they are located.

Refer to answer above this query! No shade in the play areas.

I used many of the other parks when my children were younger.

I don't have time, I have visited the parks I find when driving.

I don't really think about visiting the facilities, but I should since they are available. I visit League City parks for birding. So, I look for the parks that have the best bird sighting opportunities and the most solitude. Lobit Park is kind of scary—it looks like nefarious activities occur there.

Need a dog park. Village of Oak Creek Colony. I would use a dog park. Dog Park. Need dog park! Most are too far away. The closest park to us is Home Town Heroes which we have to drive to. Just don't have the time. Refer to volunteer at Animal Shelter.

No designated dog park anywhere in League City! I need a dog park. Physical limitations—am senior citizen. See my comments on the last question. Wish there were more splash pads or covered playgrounds. I use the parks. I am not aware of all of the parks. Have pool and large yard don't need parks. I get Helen's park, Helen's garden, and League City Park mixed up. Is Helen's garden Helen's park?

I am looking for parks on the water that attract birds. I have been to the Nature Center on Egret Bay, but have only heard cardinals. I prefer to visit the parks closer to home. Dog park needed.

LC NEEDS WALKING PLACES!!

To hard to find anything on website. Takes forever to get to a place you need on site. Most LC parks don't have long walking trails that are shaded or within a nature setting. I think we need more parks like the Ned & Fay Dudney nature trail. I feel neighborhood parks maintained by HOAs are a much better option than all the numerous city parks which are not normally utilized to their capacity.

I mainly use parks for running. If these parks have trails, then I need to visit, as I'm not aware of any existing trails, except for Challenger park (some), and the Nature Center hiking area.
Often walk in Seabrook parks. Like Forrest preserve concept there. Long time resident of suburban Chicago and Forrest preserves and patches much better there. Dallas does a much better job than this area. Walk often in lakes of south shore and believe or not, the Texas city municipal center near where I work (2 miles on work days).

Or too far
Party rentals
Can’t bike there
Use neighborhood HOA parks
For "Not interested/too busy", it’s really that I'm too busy and can’t bike to the parks further from my house because there aren’t paved non-street trails that are safe for riding with my child.
theres no offroad mountain biking trails.
See above reasons. I don’t like that you don’t allow area girls’ softball teams, other than city league teams, to use the facilities at the Sportsplex.
I don’t visit parks if they do not have a restroom for my kids & if they are to far
looking for a good place to fish!
I visit when I have the time and desire
I have never heard of some of these places.
Hometown Heros park pool is TOO HOT for swim team use!
Used to visit some of the facilities when my children were younger and still at home.

Time and location
Not enough natural areas
No dog park with bathrooms, watering station, places to sit in the shade like Bay Area park or similar in friendswood or Nassau bay
All of our parks need more benches, as I am a senior citizen and need frequent rest stops to rest to observe nature, or visit or absorb the sun. This is why Heritage Park is so wonderful!
Where are they???
Only go when Grandkids visit.
No
Need an ice skating rink to replace space center ice rink
Too much concrete and not enough park-- like Walter Hall park.
Not enough quiet space
I live in a neighborhood where I have access to a pool, recreation area (bldg) and walkways....Maintaining and annual improvements are all I see is needed.
Helen’s Gardens looks very nice. Have not had the chance to visit.
would be nice if we had a system to get to other parks by bike/walk
I was not aware of many of these parks
Wish there was a dog park.
Love the playground behind The Watershed church. I believe it’s Tuscan Lakes but it’s perfect for our twin toddler girls and nearby to Hidden Lakes
I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting League City
I'd rather go to League city skatepark.
I do not live nearby
No off leash dog walking
I didn't know the parks were there
All green space in this city is being used to purchase space for businesses and Apartment complexes which will eventually turn into slums and low income housing.
Do not have children
I didn't know those parks exist
As mentioned in a previous comment, it is so much easier for me to take my daily 2.5 mile walk around my neighborhood than getting to the start of a trail. There is no connector between my location and a trail, and if there were I am not sure I would use it since many trails in LC are linear. I occasionally visit Randolph Park in Friendswood, where parking is convenient, to walk its loop trail in a wooded area. Actually my favorite park in the area is Randolph park.
I wish there were more off road mountain bike trails through woods, up and down hills.
Not near my home
Absence of ice skating / hockey rinks....as an avid hockey player, I would definitely use an ice rink on a weekly basis if one was built.
Someone else's neighborhood
I do not skate board or roller blade anymore
Some I have never heard of, such as the watersmart park. I didnt know we had a splashpad in LC.
Walter Hall park is out dated but decent boat ramp from what I recall over 5 years ago. Newport park has had an updated jungle gym, swings and picnic tables put in a few years back but is still out dated compared to other neighborhood parks.
Grilling areas would be an idea for Newport Park. Also a water fountain, and splashpad would be a good upgrade.
Need to build an ICE RINK
Traffic to get there and back.
Wasn't aware of some of them
I had no idea there were so many parks in L.C. Would love to have a map of where they are located.
I have respiratory issues and can’t go outside without a mask.
Mostly too far and out of the way with all of the traffic it's a pain some times
She, Ice rink BADLY needed
O
My family likes to disc golf and there are no parks in League City to accommodate this.
I've never made time to explore this area.
I'm not often in League City, but I would travel there if there were more facilities that my family used such as an ice rink.
moved here 2.5 years ago and have worked a lot of hours.
Need a local dog park
I didn’t know about most of them!
I don’t know locations
We lean toward the nature trail parks.
Some playground equipment is in disrepair and when I phoned the city, told that that's what happens when kids play rough :/

I have only lived here for about a month, previously I lived in Nassau Bay and I still go back to the Nassau Bay park at least once a week.
I like my home environment and need purpose to go to the parks. Children's events or sports gatherings.
Would use more if biking facilities were more present.
Kids out grown
Kids outgrown them
I enjoy climbing trees with my family. Where there are trees to climb it is not allowed.
I use the parks closest to me. Mostly Newport since my child attends school at Ross. I see many people walking their dogs and they do not pick up their messes in the park. There was also broken glass in the parking lot. Teenagers smoking weed in their cars or out in the open. I go there because it is convenient but if I see those teens there we do not stay.

Why Not Using Trails More Often (Q9)

Similar to the previous question about why respondents do not visit some parks, the survey also posed a question about why respondents do not use the public trail system more often.

Why Trails Aren’t Used More Often (Q9)

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A lack of awareness about the availability of trails was by far the most cited reason (54%).

The reasons given by respondents under the “Other” option are listed below.

**Other Reasons for Not Using Trails (Q9)**

- Trails are not shaded or in wooded areas, not very appealing to ride on trails that are near homes or roads.
- They are not connected enough and there are not enough trails. Trails that are part of a busy street I do not feel safe on. Trails along busy streets are very nice.
- I don’t feel safe.
- Would be nice to have jogging trails with running track style ground (soft gravel) and lots of shade (trees). LC is too hot to jog directly under the sun.
- Mostly just a busy life style, but this is a past time I enjoy and plan on taking up more as my small children become more independent.
- It’s not connected to Newport.
- I know where some of the trails are and I do use them.
- Prefer gravel/clay trails.
- Would like more nature trails and natural biking trails. To go to interesting scenic areas. Near creeks, parks, etc.
- Bad knees & climate.
- Too far.
- I look for trail loops, or trails that link places to visit. The most important function of a trail should be to provide a safe area for citizens to traverse from one venue to another.
- Water accumulation on Magnolia Creek Trails.
- They must be dog friendly.
- Lake.
- Trails need to have master signage. Detailing trails and maps to where they lead. Also trails need to be more nature and less concrete. not able to use at this time due to medical issues.
- Would like them to feel more like they are part of nature, not just a path from here to there.
- I walk every day, so I would like more trails to give more variety.
- No good bike trails/urban bikeways.
- I have physical limitations for walking running and biking.
- I use them, but I would really like to see a connection directly from our neighborhood - we have to go along the sidewalk along League City parkway and cross Bay area boulevard to access the nearest trail and a direct connection via the powerline right of way behind our neighborhood would be much better/more accessible.
- Trail system is simply undeveloped.
- There are trails? your kidding of course. All the money is wasted on annexation and providing infrastructure to real estate developers. Wow, those telephone poles in Mar Bella - no bribes, no of course not.
- Trails don’t hook up to sidewalks when I ride my bike to work. I have to ride in the street several times on my 5 mile ride.
- We use trails in Mar Bella and sidewalks in Hidden Lakes. It is dangerous to get to the trails in South Shore neighborhoods because there is not a bike trail (or sidewalk) that connects from south side of South Shore blvd across 96, then across bridge onto north side of South Shore Blvd. This is bad for pedestrians and bikes but particularly bad, and very dangerous, for disabled folks (like my wheelchair bound brother). Wheelchairs MUST get on busy road. Bikes and pedestrians must get on grass and cross from one side of South Shore blvd to the other just to find sidewalks.
- No family members or friends live near them.
- I have tried to look online for a pet friendly park and nothing comes up.
- N/A.
- We do use the magnolia creek / countryside trails. I live in Houston and only come down to wakeboard on Clear Creek.
- Please continue to expand and connect trails and greenways.
- Not sure where they are.
- Sidewalk Trail in Lakes of South Shore is not complete and forces you to walk along the street instead of the trail.
- Live in Houston.
- The trails are not maintained at the Nature Center on 270 the grass in knee high and the trail is not even walkable because of overgrown trees. If you’re not going to maintain the trails then Mark them as closed so bikers like myself do not hurt ourselves. I ran over a venomous snake and hit my head on a thorny branch this week. Unacceptable.
- Too far from residence.
- cant offroad.
- The "trails" at Challenger and the Nature center off 270 are in bad condition and are so remote that I do not feel safe. Consider Memorial Park where there is a blend between good visibility and well-
maintained crushed gravel paths. Now THOSE are trails. Plus the trails in League City are so short. Up-to-date trail maps not on Google Maps/Bing Maps (this makes it harder to navigate).

not enough tree coverage, too hot
Generally too hot so I haven’t really looked for trails
New pedestrian bridge on Hwy 270 will be VERY helpful.

have trails in my subdivision
I have a backyard with sufficient amenities that I don’t need to access any city properties.

Too much/as rain. Don’t want to hike on muddy trails.

Motivation

There aren’t enough.
Wish that the hike/bike trails are through out League City. Would like to get from my area (SSH) to Heritage Park or other parks by walking or biking.
"5 corner intersection" is very unfriendly when it comes to walkers/bikers. Hike/bike trails are good as long as you stay in your general neighborhood.
We could use a trail map. I supposed it is available at the city website.

I would love to access more trails in League City as more become available.
I would like it if trails would connect to all subdivisions. I don’t want to bike to a trail and go through another subdivision then bike home. (The trails near magnolia Creek for example)They need to connect to the landing subdivision some how behind Gilmore elementary

I would like trails that are somewhat more challenging. We live in Clearlake and ride 5 days a week. Sometimes driving an hour and a half to get to a suitable trail.

need more
Sometimes crossing intersections drivers are not conscious of bikers or walkers.
Use neighborhood sidewalks.

Missing linkage
I use the trails daily

Car traffic to get anywhere outside the boundaries of my neighborhood is too dangerous and difficult.
I don’t live in League City, but if I did I would use the trails.

Do we have an online map of our trails that I could find on the Internet? It should show location of car parking & restrooms.

Need access from the Hidden Lakes area
I just recently found the hike and bike trails near me. We have been using them frequently (several times a week) since we found them.

Really what trails?? Other than bike lane on 518, I haven’t seen any. I saw a map of LC trails but don’t think it is valid. (It showed trail along Lawrence road for example - too risky to get hit by car, as there isn’t even a sidewalk and a deep ditch!)

I walk in my neighborhood
Not linked for longer bike rides.
Our "trails" aren’t real trails.

Hot outside
Prefer bike trails to be paved
Not informed
No known trails in the Bay Colony area
I would like mountain bike trails

Wish I knew where these trails are, wish there was better communication of the facilities because I’m interested

sometimes the trails around Rustic Oaks have been used for teens to smoke and use drugs in the woods
Didn’t know league city had trails! Always go to other places for their trails!

Need signs warning about wildlife-re :snakes.
What trails are available for horses.
We do use the trails to ride bikes , but the trails that go from YMCA on 96 down to Bay Area Blvd past Mag Creek and down to Bay Area Park on that hike and bike trail.

belong to a health club that uses all my excess energy
I have to travel on busy roads like 646 or 146 to get to these locations.

I live in bay colony northeptope subdivison and we have no sidewalk that runs on cross colony drive, which make it dangerous for my family to go on walks.

Would prefer a dog park to trails.
Again I’ve got small children and mostly in a stroller and not sure if trails are stiller friendly or safe
The trails are next to busy streets and I do not want to get hit by a car
Had no idea we have trails

Need lots of trees and are safe
Dogs not on a leash.

I use the trails daily.

Age
LC needs MORE. Very few in LC and no one can tell me where they are.
I would like wider trails so that bikers and walkers both have more room. It is difficult to bike on most trails when there is someone pushing a baby stroller in front of you or several people walking together.

Wish there were more mountain bike or dedicated cycling trails.

I would prefer a mountain biking trail system.
I'm in a wheelchair. But I would love more trails in the city—I think they are a fantastic idea and my adult children would use them. Need more gravel hike bike trails near Bay Colony. Sidewalks missing in many key spots near schools. No sidewalk on 2094 towards Kemah. Have not gotten to it. Need more off-road bike trails. There was a man recently going around punching neighborhood residents. I would not go alone on those trails now. Would be nice to have some sort of surveillance. No way to get out of Glen Cove on bike or walking no sidewalks!!!!

Traffic
Where are they
Much better mountain bike trails in surrounding cities.
Not connected enough locally and regionally.
No off road cycling available.
Poor connection to other places.
types of pavement, width of trails.
Heat
The off road trails could use some improvements
More interested in unpaved trails.
Just not fun.
I would love to see a map put on the LC website detailing location and mileage of parks
Recent violent attacks, coyote/ bobcat sightings freak me out
Too hot.
No good mountain biking trails
I forget they are there. This survey makes me want to explore more.
I use trails I know of daily.
Would like to see better and more trails specific to mountain biking
Need mountain bike trails.
I like to go Mountain Biking. League City has no Mountain Biking trails so I have to Drive to Jack Brooks Park which is the closest trail system.
Trails do not connect. I do use the trails with in the parks and enjoy the walk, would like to see better connectivity between the trails if possible.
The trails I know of are secluded and cement so hard on the joints
Need more mountain bike trails
There are no Mountain Bike trails
There is a small trail by my house in Center Pointe but it goes to City Hall and that's it, there are two retention ponds where the trail could go around and it would make great walking trails. I think Lobit park is awful we practiced football last season needs a lot of work
Use those in my neighborhood near by neighbor hood's trails are better kept and maintained, hence making them far more attractive
I commute 3 hours daily so have to enjoy parks on my way to/from work; it's not that I am too busy....I simply do not have enough hours in my current day for much leisure activity.
Lack of trails in South Shore Harbour area, other than cement sidewalks.
Only know of one that I feel safe taking my kids Sometimes there are motorized vehicles (golf carts, scooters) using the trails. Not safe!
Too close against busy roads
I use bike trails and have only found trails by accident while riding on roads. I'm not aware of all the bike trails in League City other than the one that runs along 518 and 96 out to I-45. I would also use them more if there was a system that linked the trails together.
Kids are too small to go as a family right now Trails are not for mountain/off road bikes
Not enough of them in my area to make use worthwhile. My dog and I walk the city streets instead, out of necessity.
Trails aren't long enough and don't have enough green space around them.
Can't use after heavy rain because trails flood Lighting along trails would be nice and increase safety.
I would like a safe area to ride a bike for exercise. Trails don't connect
The drainage is very poor at a few areas of the trails The hot summer weather is the only thing keeping us from using more trails more often.
I work for a living.
Bike trail starts near I-45 on 96. There are no sidewalks or any other safe way to get to it from the west side on 96. Hike and bike trails on the west side of league city are being abused by golfcarts and 4 wheelers. It is becoming unsafe for my children.
I use the trails close to me. I love how wide the sidewalks are!
Need to be able to bring dogs to play.
Senior citizen
Close to roads, not enough shade or open space feel since they run through neighborhoods. Nothing real nature scenic. Too much being built all around.
Trails aren't on my side of town.
I want a running trail with mile markers
Lack of free time.
physical condition limits activities
I use the trails
Better crosswalks are needed when trails cross major roads. Specifically, the trail in Magnolia Creek at the Misty Trails and League City Parkway intersections NEEDS a stop sign!!! People completely ignore the crosswalk signals and I have had myself and have seen others have many close calls there.
Safety and the magnolia bridge is a safety hazard
I'm lazy.
Too many mosquitoes
Familiar with rustic oaks but not others
Safe regarding the trail off texas that runs behind and back to Kroger at 270. Just seems spooky and lonely and like it would not be safe to use it while alone. The same for the nature center off 270. I would never go alone. I'd feel safer if there were some security-type presence. Also, we née more trails that inter connect and provide real transportation use. Also, 270 could use trail/sidewalks, wide ones, for bicycle and pedestrian. I see too many people cycling and walking down the center turn lane and that is unsafe.
League City needs more bike trails for getting from place to place (not just for leisure). Often I have to ride in the street on narrow curved passage such as main street due to no trails.
Poor drainage in some areas makes them inaccessible, mosquito swarms
Where they cross streets, I wish there was a safer crossing. For example where the trail cuts through countrysinde south across summer place then across league city parkway, I wish there was a way to ensure that traffic would slow, if not stop.
I frequently walk on the trail through rustic oak parks, then down 518. The sidewalk/trail ends at Bay Area Blvd. I wish there were just a few more yards of sidewalk extending passed Bay Area to connect that trail to the trail that runs along the creek between rustic oaks and country side. Please consider connecting the two!!!
Becoming more familiar with the few miles of trails available would help. It is also true that we have a severe shortage of trails in our city.
Dealing with crossings of thoroughfares can be quite risky, ie speeding and distracted drivers at main and park and other crossings are discouraging. Pedestrian and biker consciousness of drivers is close to nil.

Enclosed dog park needed
Need trails leading to all school along 518 on the west side of town
I use the trails every day!
Trails are scary. Every data you hear of women being attacked on them (not in league city of course, but still.)
Not safe enough to take my 7 yr old
They are not available in my part of town to access the areas I would use them for. They need to be available to access the central parks -- Walter Hall, League Park, Hometown Heroes, Heritage, and Dudney need to all be connected by a series of safe, off-road trails.
There are no "real" trails in League City. I would love to see something like Seabrook has
Most of parks not that well landscaped. Hire a park designer from outside Texas who understands public area design
Water sits on some of the trails along League City Parkway on both sides of Bay Area rendering them useless when it rains
Don't know where trails are and don't know how they're interconnected.
Not always able to find someone who wants to walk on the nature trail when I want to. I do not wish to be on a nature trail alone.
There aren't any natural surface trails
There really aren't any natural surface trails
Walk in my neighborhood (old league city)
The trails are not actually very conducive to cycling, they're really more of walking/jogging trails.
There are 90-deg corners, narrow areas, sidewalk sections with big bumps/cracks/holes, places where you have to get past vehicle barriers that are narrow for a bicycle trailer, etc. The trail under Bay Area Blvd that leads to Countryside Park is often covered in sand or mud due to water runoff which makes that area somewhat treacherous to go through, especially with the drop off into the water right there next to you. Another thing - for those who walk dogs, it would be nice to have more places to throw away dog poop (ideally those little dispensers where you can get a bag as well as toss the filled bag).
There's insufficient mountain biking trails
Would love some trails closer to home
I don't feel safe and don't like mosquitoes on trails. I use gyms instead, or my own neighborhood sidewalks for walking.
I don't do a lot of walking and my neighborhood has sufficient walking areas for my needs. But I still recognize the need and support public trails.
This question doesn't apply to me... I use the trails daily.
I use the trails daily looking for a good place to fish!
If trails were developed for serious users, they would get used. Need awesome cycling trails!
I'm sedentary! Bad, but truthful, reason.
Too many mosquitoes
None near my house
Drainage after rain the trails around the water tower flood I don't want to run through ankle deep water. The power line area is not mowed in that area either lots of snakes. The power lines are mowed on either side not sure why they are not around the water tower
I'm handicapped and in a wheelchair and sometimes use a cane. I worry I will fall and no one will help me
Temperature in Gulf Coast too hot much of the year to get out
I use the trails a min of twice daily. EVERY DAY, hot, cold, raining or not. Walking with my dog 🐶
Don't have trail map or know what trails join together, where they go, etc. I would love my neighborhood to be connected to trail system.
Not enough markings.
Not enough rest places. See #8.
Where are they???
Mosquitoes
Go to the Y for indoor walking.
No mosquitoes
Love the trails! I don't walk as often as I should--that's the main reason. There are sections I don't feel safe alone so that is a bit of a hindrance also.
I use my immediate neighborhood walking and I am very comfortable ...
I use the trails in League City and absolutely love them. A trail map would be great for visitors and residents available either online or at the park. I love the paddling trail maps.
Seabrook has many connected trails allowing me to run long and in shade.
Trails are too short.
I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting League City and the trail system
I use them almost daily to run - I wish there were MORE!
Not dog friendly
Not any around us
I'm really impressed with the new trails put in around Rustic Oaks, etc. I love using them when I am exercising, but often I get out of the habit. Almost got hit by a car when riding bike on Bay Area Blvd and sprained ankle falling off of bike to turn it quickly to get out of the way of the car. Need to keep up with mosquito control.
Need portable bathrooms along trails
We are retired..we use when we can
There are gaps / the trails don't connect
All green space in this city is being used to purchase space for businesses and Apartment complexes which will eventually turn into slums and low income housing.
Old, bad joints
The trails are not close to use. We would use a park all the time that was close.
As mentioned in a previous comment, it is so much easier for me to take my daily 2.5 mile walk around my neighborhood than getting to the start of a trail. There is no connector between my location and a trail, and if there were I am not sure I would use it since many trails in LC are linear. I occasionally visit Randolph Park in Friendswood, where parking is convenient, to walk its loop trail in a wooded area. Actually my favorite park in the area is Randolph park.
You build them I will come. I like to ride long distances and sometimes I have to ride the same trail 2-3 times to get my distance in. Plus I would like more of road trails.
The sidewalks to not line all of 518 from our neighborhood and I do not feel safe taking children on the shoulder of 518
There are still quite a few sections unfinished that can make their full use challenging
I wish there was more trails especially on the west side where I like to ride. I like on rode and off road.
Most trails are off-road, and too dangerous to ride on-road trails. Shoulders are too small to be safe.
Someone else's neighborhood
I use the trails often
Live off LCPkwy and there are no trails or sidewalks to use
most SIDEWALKS that you call trails are not wide enough next to major streets to be a safe place to bikes or families walking. So therefore the "trails" you say we have ... we don't
Use often the trails in NB Too busy driving over to 59 to ice skate
I usually walk mornings in my own neighborhood
Not completely wheelchair friendly
No idea where they are.
See answer #8
My age
Ice rink BADLY needed
The hassle and danger of getting to them by foot or bike from my neighborhood, The Oaks of Clear Creek, which is completely unconnected by sidewalk and / or trail to any other neighborhood or trail system.
We would like an ice rink
Bad knees- don't do much walking
distance, I live in Pasadena
Not all trails (the ones I know of) should be concrete, make some like in seabrook.
moved here 2.5 years ago and have worked a lot of hours.
Too short, need longer trails
I do use the trails. I love the trails, and would like to see more of them.
not enough time
Just too busy, but willing to make more time
Haven't had the time lately
Would love a posted trail map
Not enought water fountains and restrooms
To commercialized
I do use trails frequently.
Don't continue through all, have to cross the street often.
Some trails just stop with nowhere to continue, not even across the street

N/A
League city needs sidewalks in neighborhoods to access parks and trails. Sidewalks should connect and allow pedestrians to reach destination without walking in the road.
Deer Park and Pasadena should be the model.
League City should be on the front of development with multiuser paths and bike lanes etc... No excuse
Lack of lighting (especially along 518)
See previous comment.
More trails would be great to connect all of League City and allow us to bike more.
The trails are incomplete.
Not wide enough
Not wide enough
Some trails are very short or don't connect to each other
Not enough trails that are easily accessible.
I don't go much on the other trails..Challenger park we go to.
Use them daily
Cycle on road
Interested, but often too busy to get there. Do have plans to explore...heat will affect usage (summer is on its way).
Unusual question--assumes a problem. No answer for no problem.

Recreational Program Participation (Q10-11)
In addition to asking about physical facilities, the survey also inquired as to respondents' participation in the various recreation programs the City offers.

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Special event programming is highly popular, at 60% of respondents.
Respondents also could choose reasons that they do not participate in recreational programs.

**Reasons for Not Participating in Recreational Programs (Q11)**

- Inaccessible / too far / can’t walk or bike there
- Don’t have the programs I want
- Facilities are in poor condition / insufficient maintenance
- I don’t feel safe
- Not interested / too busy
- Programs aren’t targeted to my children’s age group
- Instructors / coordinators not of sufficient quality
- Insufficient parking
- Too crowded / no registrations available
- I’m not aware of what programs are available
- I instead use other agencies’ programs
- Programs aren’t targeted to my age group
- Programs aren’t offered at convenient times
- Fees are too high
- Other (please describe)

As with park and trail facilities, respondents identified lack of awareness as the top reason for not participating. Factors such as cost and safety were relatively minor at most. Nearly one quarter of respondents chose “Don’t have the programs I want” which may indicate opportunities for different programs that might attract this group of respondents.

The input of those respondents who chose “Other” is provided below.

**Other Reasons for Not Participating in Recreational Programs (Q11)**

- L.C Programs are well done. Really wish there was a Senior Olympics program, it’s the one place L.C. is behind other cities like ours.
- I go when I can, wish I had more time
- My children are too old to participate in the sports programs now, but did when they were younger and we were most satisfied with the experience. tennis camp was always great with coach Sam. we miss him. new instructors are good. would be great to have more time options.
- I work mostly weekends and nights, just doesn’t fit my schedule currently.
- We used the kid’s programs when our kids were young. I do go to some of the programs with my grandkids.
- How about a table tennis club or league?
- YMCA is my program organization of choice, mostly.
- Erratic personal schedule
- Need more programs for seniors to socialize through cards, board games, etc.
- Y’all are corrupt and promote Space City FC and are as corrupt as they are
- I only use recreation facilities for dancing etc.
- I have not been a participant in the recreational programs, but I was an instructor for one for a while. I found that they were under-promoted so that most people didn’t even know that League City HAS recreation programs.
- My kids do sports/activities in school now that they are teenagers.
- Mostly time prevents other activities
- Times offered don’t usually work
- Physical limitations
- We tend to be more nature oriented and we participate in Scouts which is not a specific City program.
Very few adult recreation programs
See accessibility comment to question 9. My wheelchair bound brother would like to participate in some programs but cannot get there unless I drive him.

senior exercise Programe not available
Programs we use don't have available facilities
Special Needs son who cannot attend these programs.
I like the city's programs.
the city of houston's are easier to find out about
Kids are grown
I know we have programs but haven't looked much into them. I have a YMCA membership that I use with my son and husband.
no need for more activities
Unaware of and/or not appropriate for children with special needs.
my kids are older now, so I not as interested
Our gripes are very minor. These factors are not significantly bad.
I would love for you to add lacrosse and rowing for youth and adults. Fencing would be another program I would consider. Market to more than young children and seniors in order to expand populations served.
Children are grown now.
It would be great if Karate classes for adults were offered from 6-7pm
BC/BS Silver Sneakers Program pays for me to go to YMCA free. Does the city have free programs for senior citizens?
My child is special needs and can't handle the crowds that the city has
serious level of disorganization by the rec department regarding youth sports. referees with obvious bias. New rules have caused the best coaches to leave and go elsewhere, so we will leave too.
Children grown and no longer live at home to go to most parks
Activities seem to be for families rather than people in their 20s
League city page was not friendly to sign up for girls softball. I couldn't find any info. Didn't sign up.
Need a year-round, heated pool west of I-45.
We have for years participated in the League City Barracuda Swim team, but if the lane fees cause a price increase, we will likely not do that anymore.
helping people exercise and socialize their dogs is what is needed
My child that is of age for group activities isn't interested at the time

There are absolutely no programs for adults!!!
Adults need recreation too!!
Age
Wasn't aware of programs and now I want to go and find them!
Would like to see more mountain bike trails !!
No adult co-ed sports leagues
Need more off-road bike trail groups
Most things seem for kids. I am 60
Transportation issues, no public transportation!
work out of state - only home on weekends
Access to assets limited
Use to do all the kids sports programs, but the kids are now grown and gone.
Children are now in college. I do not have time and am not aware of adult programs
They do not include mountain bike trails
Didn't know of more programs
Allergies to pollen in the air
Same reason cited previously
We are empty nested and it seemed a lot of the programs were focused on families or children.
Safe parking and safe biking opportunities are both nonexistent throughout Old Town. If there is an event of interest, such as at Butler Longhorn, it becomes almost impossible to get to.
No Men's Softball. Big league is not sufficient/too expensive/bad crowd
My children participated in several of the recreation programs but are too oldnow.
programs that interest me are only offered during weekdays in morning/daytime hours. I work in Sugar Land
We limit our kids to one choice per semester and the Scouts program has been our choice.
I don't have enough time.
Don't have kids/seniors in my home. Don't attend school in LC. park use is for me and my dog only (use Nassau bay park most often).
I would love yoga -- beginning to advanced -- but it seems like all of the rec programs at HHP are directed at seniors, and I'm not even sure that it's available to a stay at home mom. My kids are about to start PreK and Parr Kinder, so I could potentially be using the facilities during the day. Would love karate or gymnastics, but won't sign my kids up until both could do it. Youngest is 5.
We participated in TOTS and thought it was a HUGE waste of money. $75 for 5 classes * 2 kids -- in comparison to soccer or swim lessons... Should have at least been 10 classes.
The programs at hometown here park are fabulous!
Wish there was a group rate when enrolling a
large family in sports or homeschool gym...adds up quick with 4 kids participating
City does not have a youth lacrosse or competitive gymnastics program. Also does not have a youth track program.
Specifically at hometown heroes, there are exercise programs targeted to seniors, but none for younger adults. This facility does not meet my needs. Should offer zumba, etc...As well as work out facilities including weight and aerotica equipment.
my children are now grown but we used to use alot of the programs
Youth sports not very organized. A
I have been on a wait list for a water colors class for over a year.
Enclosed dog park needed
Swim program was horrible
Fill up too quickly.
I work odd hours and I am usually working when the programs take place. However, the times should not be adjusted just for one person (me).
My son has autism so not accessible to most rec programs
Only interested in dancing programs.
We did participate weekly in Naperville Illinois. And go to Holliday celebrations. They were much more family oriented
Kids used lots of programs but now they grown up and no longer use facilities
Not interested at this time
kids have grown
Offer more classes at Hometown Heroes at times for working adults (like evening & weekends) / maybe provide weight rooms adults can come & go ?
I expect to get more involved as my child grows up (currently 4) but information about what is available seems scarce, or at least I don’t know where to look.
there are no programs for mountain biking
See above.
looking for a good place to fish!
To busy
Children are grown up now
Children grown and no longer at home.
I don’t always know of upcoming events or programs that I might want to attend.
Participated when my children were growing up
Need close handicapped parking, such as Hometown Heroes and Heritage and Ghirardi.
Where are they???
Have my own programs.
Not interested
Fairly new to the area and not really sure of what is available.
Facilitators are not proficient in organizing.
Ice rink closed
Would love to see Lobit Park turned into a dog park. It is rarely used now and the community could benefit greatly.
For my exercise and Health purposes I use South Shore Fitness Center
Website is not easy to get around and thus I’ve had issues learning about activities.
mostly the time is bad
The main program that we have shown interest in are targeted to seniors only , but we are not seniors. Would like to see more programs for homeschool fitness and extra curricular activities
Pool should be open early May thru Oct for swimming or exercising - need evening Water Aerobic Classes. No evening programs for Adults offered.
Go to The Fitness Center
Would like to see splash parks for kids
Seems like non residents swarm the place, feels like a soup kitchen line
Did soccer (coached) for years but kids are grown now.
Volunteer coaches do not have enough help to keep the teams organized and running smoothly.
The sign up process online always seems tedious on my iPhone and I don’t complete it. Also the dates when sign-ups start aren’t well advertised and by the time I realize they have started, the classes/times we want are full.
All green space in this city is being used to purchase space for businesses and Apartment complexes which will eventually turn into slums and low income housing.
We need open swim and aquatics for seniors.
Children have gotten older and participate in High School programs. Not aware of programs available for my age.
No ice hockey programs - I would definitely register and participate in an adult ice hockey league if a facility and program was available.
We do not do the major events for fear of crowds
Fee for classes for those under age 55 too high for regular attendance.
Team sports are unorganized from the beginning. would do more rec programs if facilities were bigger...
League city is old with old guys running the parks and 4B. We have not evolved and are behind the times. Kids and adults want to play rugby,
lacrosse, Ultimate Frisbee and sports from the 20th century let alone the 21st.

Child is grown now
Would rather have an ice rink
Programs are designed for people with disabilities
Driving to 59 to Sharpstown ice rink
I moved most sports to other cities or companies because it seems League City is continually cancelling events or rescheduling, and it's too difficult to coordinate with all the cancellations.

Traffic
My son is severely disabled. There are no activities geared towards him.
I want to join a Senior group but cannot find where they meet.
Ice rink BADLY needed
moved here 2.5 years ago and have worked a lot of hours.
time
We need an Ice Skating Rink!!! Something we can do year-round without having to deal with the heat!
dates for registration are not promoted to the community, usually miss the deadline
Pleased with League City Rec. Kids are just now starting sports
Kiddos are too young, so time for us is shortened.
Overall programs are run very poorly. Poor planning, extremely poor communication
Too many crazy parents ;)
Been searching for an adult flag football league but can't find one within a reasonable distance. I read League City did at one point have one however you needed to have your entire team. As a resident of League City who doesn't have many friends with similar interests, getting this together was near impossible for me.
Fees continue to go up on kids program. League City is moving away from family city to a city only for seniors (offering 3 lunches at hometown heroes/wk is excessive, seniors have lower fees than families or kids). It would be nice to have a few swim lesson sessions offered at walker for the older kids so they can get some diving experience. Also consider dropping the participation trophies for soccer instead of raising fees. I have had 3 seasons, my child didn't get socks and/or jersey (luckily we had same color as previous season & it fit).

I'm a full-time working single mom and cannot take me kids to lessons during the week day. I wish there were more offered for young kids 2-5 on the weekends.
Programs for kids aren't at appropriate times relative to their ages
Too busy
Children now grow...I used to teach swim lessons for league city years ago. Children were involved in most things and day camp...
I work in the evenings and on Saturday so I am working when most programs are held. However, I realize the programs are, and should be, scheduled when the majority of people are available.
kids are getting older, we don't have time/need for too many other activities at this time.
As a taxpayer to the city, I feel I should have a pass, since my taxes pay for the development as well as the support of these facilities. If we can't support the taxpayer than don't improve or add facilities we can't afford to make available to them. Proof of residency should be mandated for participation if necessary. No tickey-no shirty...
I'm almost always scheduled to work when the programs take place
As retired grandparents new to the area, we will grow in usage as time permits and familiarity increases
Potential Park Project Prioritization (Q12)

The survey presented respondents with a list of potential park and trail facility projects and asked them to rate the priority of each for resource allocation by the City. In tabulation, priority ratings were assigned values ranging from -1 (“Opposed”) to +2 (“Very Important”), with no value assigned for “Uncertain”. The average rating for each project is presented value to the right of the chart below.

The respondents identified large parks for passive uses, off-street paths, wildlife habitat preservation areas, and historic site preservations / museums as the top priorities. An indoor soccer facility and a skateboard / in-line skate park had the lowest overall prioritization. These results were very similar to those from the 2006 survey.
Clear Creek Preferences (Q13)

The survey asked respondents about what topics were most important to them regarding Clear Creek. The question applied the same rating scale as in the previous question.

Clear Creek: What is Most Important to Respondents (Q13)

Off-street paths and wildlife habitat conservation were identified as the most important topics, but all topics provided showed some importance to the respondents. These priorities are the same as those named in the 2006 survey.

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Clear Creek: Other Topics of Importance (Q13)

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<td>Public access (boating, fishing etc.)</td>
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public access to residents
I would prefer to see waterfront parks to waterfront residential since almost all of Clear Creek’s waterfront is already devoted to residential to the exclusion of other uses and residents.
I like not messing with the nature parts of our city too much. I like to observe, visually enjoy what is meant to be there, and let it be. Plus alligators and gars terrify me to no end, so you won’t catch me any closer than a sturdy dock by the water.
We do not appear to be utilizing our natural setting and location for recreational use.
League City just doesn’t get it, what a very desirable area is like. Hint: West University Place and River Oaks are not preoccupied with expansion. Duh
Side walks
Cable wake park. Very important

We live along the creek and would love to have some sort of public trail or paddle trail that is easily accessible within walking distance.
Exercise equipment on trails
A good cable wakeboard park would bring in revenue to restaraunts, hotels and other retail.
Wakeboard Park!!!
Would be an Amazing addition!
Wakeboard park very important
Cable park
We need wake boarding/cable park.
There is too much vegetation on either side of the creek which inhibits its use. Also, it is full of trash.
More opportunities,programs,recreation,social events,abilities for children with special needs.
Expanded sports complexes to accommodate more sports
Pickleball courts
a dog park! ideally located near other parks, like
Davis Sportsplex. Also a family waterpark would
be wonderful.
interconnecting hiking / jogging / biking trails as
alternate transportation throughout League city
(very important)
Bike lanes on streets for safety of all!
Public access for fishing and expanding the paddle
trail.
A dog park, big, and safe like our wonderful city
Bayridge park my family and I have raised 2
generations here in the same house for 30 years
now and this park is a disgrace! The entire area
around us is building up and renovating but this
park is still the same unsafe and unfriendly park
around. There are little league teams that
sometimes practice in the make shift baseball field
and it's sad that they have to see and us long time
existing neighbors have to see this eye sore all the
time and city workers continuously drive in and
out of our neighborhood and nothing gets done or
mentioned. Just because this is an older
neighborhood of league city and we do not have
HOA does not mean we should be shut out!
I take my kids to the Bayridge park for years and
nothing has changed I can barley even get my
stroller into the park through the gate without
walking through mud or dirt or high grass.
We definitely have several runners who are in the
South Shore area and will head towards Clear Lake
Shores and have to run on the street because
there is nowhere else for us to go. It's dangerous
but for those who lead an active lifestyle, we do
what we have to do to get our mileage in...
Please help save the coyote population or give them
refuge in a secured park.
Dog park, very important!
Mountain Bike single track
True mountain biking trails that are not paved or
crushed granite that follow existing bayous and
other available terrain.
the number one concern is to have dog parks in our
city that are accessible to all residents across the
city.
Because LC does not have any mountain biking trails I
feel like this is very important.
Mountain Biking is very Important to me and there
are no trails close by.
Clean clear creek, take steps in combination with
other authorities to improve the water quality
Mountain bike trails - very important
we are within 1 hour drive to the 4th largest cities in
the USA and are blessed with such beauty,
openness, nature and water... yet it is massively
under developed and utilized on many fronts
(environmental conservation and education,
attractiveness and access)
waterfront parks can be detrimental - they can
courage lurking alligators
Distance markers on walking / hiking trails
I recommend steering clear of touchy-feely
"environmental" emphasis which is mostly hype
and off-putting for many people. You know that
the wetlands can't be developed no matter which
way the issue is spun, so why not just revert to the
plan of 10-15 years ago to connect all of that land
in a trail system? You got Dudney set up, but what
about the similar tract north of Clear Creek Village,
catercorner from Challenger Seven? Who
dropped the ball on that one? I know LC was in
negotiations to develop it as a similar natural area.
Regarding question 14, same comment applies -
why are you spinning it in terms of "sensitive
environmental lands" and the like? Please stop
pandering to greenies (of which LC doesn't have
many anyway) and just evaluate the situation from
a practical perspective of highest and best use,
which in the case of wetlands, is low-impact
recreational use because everything else is
naturally precluded.
Would love to see a "Boardwalk" along Clear Creek.
Need more sports fields!!
Restrooms on the neighborhood parks
Dog park very important!
Need a dog park. For a town this size it's ridiculous
not to have one.
Conservation is going to become important with the
rate that we are growing. Without the foresight to
preserve our natural habitats we are going to
overgrow them.
Very important - parks can be a combo of manicured
green spaces and habitat conservation
Kinda like what the Woodlands have.
Plenty off well-maintained, off-street paths would
make the appeal of our city jump exponentially.
The upgrades, assuming they would not flood or
wash away, would be amazing.
Dog park enclosed
This is impossible but I wish we could make Clear
Creek as clean and beautiful as it once was. It was
one of the most places in the state a hundred
years ago.
We really don't have nice trails for jogging
These are all very important. Help us grow an active outdoor community.

Dog Park
Very important - natural surface trails for mountain biking and trail running along Clear Creek
Mountain bike trails along the creek
I am uncertain on development of waterfront parks because I would want to be sure that the development doesn't eliminate or damage wildlife areas. As fast as things are being built, I fear that in no time all the land will be developed from the coast to Conroe, with little space for wildlife.
lakes for open water swimming
Since we, as a city, advertise as waterfront, and use water-related logos and symbols and photos in advertising, then free waterfront facilities are important.
looking for a good place to fish!
We need to preserve natural habitat areas for wildlife. Very important

Need unimproved green spaces to both support wildlife and prevent suburban blight. The city symbol used to be a majestic oak - it feels like a more appropriate symbol would be a bulldozer toppling an oak. Land is bulldozed routinely and left vacant as an "improvement". In southern NJ green space is purchased and preserved in an unimproved state by the city for the residents - how did we end up less green than NJ?

Water area. Acquire and develop
Ice Hockey Rink would be fantastic and it's very important
I would place high importance along with my family and friends to have an ice rink available in the area.
Outdoor theater...very important
Ice rink for hockey, figure skate, public skate and curling. Very important.

ice skating rink facilities for hockey and figure skating
Very Important: Ice Rink!
League city skatepark is my number one priority, I'm there almost every day.
Off leash dog walking
Get the bikes off the streets. They think they own the road but run the traffic lights so make them ride on trails.
an Ice Rink. since the loss of Space City Ice people have to travel too far.
The hiking/biking trails are nice in our section I really wish we could access them from our neighborhood via 518 sidewalks. We have to intentionally load 5 bikes to enjoy them.

An ice rink would be very useful. A lot of families we know travel an hour or more to ice skate.
An ice rink
Ice rink for hockey and figure skating
Please, no bars or restaurants on the creek
Ice rink BADLY needed
Ice Hockey
Ice Rink - Very Important
ice skating facility- high
Ice skating rink for figure skating and youth/adult ice hockey leagues and games: Very Important
We're supportive of all of the above as long as it is public land, not acquiring private property or infringing on the rights of property owners.
Please consider an ice rink. With the closure of Space Center Rink there is not a rink in the area. With the number of people that participated in figure skating and ice hockey, there is a huge need for a rink on the southeast side of Houston.

Ice Rink very important
Ice Rink. This side of Houston lost a very important sports facility for its surrounding communities when Space City Ice Station shut its doors. Numerous families were forced to quit their on ice activities due to the inconvenient locations of the remaining rinks. PLEASE help us offer another form of exercise and recreation for our communities in Southeast Houston!!

Ice rink
Ice rink for hockey, figure skating, curling, broom ball, recreation and other community programs. Very important to me.
Would like to see ice rink due to Space city closing a few year ago.

ice rink
Since Space City Ice Station closed, an ice rink would be a VERY IMPORTANT addition to the area. There were thousands of people displaced or were unable to continue ice skating, hockey, curling, broomball, etc. as a result. It would be great if League City could add this in the very near future.

Ice Rink, Very Important
City ice skating rink
Want an Ice Rink, Very Important!
We need street bike lanes like webster
It bothers me when I see people fishing in Clear Creek. Don't they realize that street sewers plus Biohazards run into the creek. I worry these folks are ignorant to how dangerous anything in Clear Creek is dangerous.

I'm afraid to boat or fish in Clear Creek because of all of the pollution. If my neighbors dump toxic chemicals in their yard, the go into the gutter and
the creek. My grandfather told me how great
Clear Creek was in the 1920's because it was really
"Clear" and it was beautiful.

Priorities for Additional Lands Acquisition (Q14)

The City has the potential to acquire additional sites for parks and recreation facilities. The survey asked respondents what level of importance they would place upon various uses for new parklands. The question used the same rating system of importance as in the previous two questions.

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<td>Potential trail corridors</td>
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<td>Potential recreation center sites</td>
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<td>Community / civic gathering spaces and plazas</td>
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<td>Ditches, canals, and drainageways</td>
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Respondents identified potential trail corridors and drainage facilities as the overall most important land acquisition purpose. Future sports complexes rated as the overall least important purpose. There was a similar question on the 2006 survey, though with fewer answer options than the current survey. Nevertheless, the top land acquisition priorities were generally congruent between the two surveys.

Park and Trail Facilities Access Standards and Objectives (Q15-19)

The survey included a series of questions on access to and connectivity of parks and trail facilities. The first question asked about the prioritization of access to parks. The question was measured with a rating system where 2=“High Priority”, 1=“Medium Priority”, and 0=“Low Priority.”
Respondents put the highest priority on walking access to a neighborhood park from home, followed by bicycle access to a neighborhood park. These results matched the 2006 survey.

Respondents were asked to quantify their preferred maximum walking and biking access time to neighborhood parks.

Over half (55%) of respondents indicated that a neighborhood park should be within a 10-minute walk of home. Nearly one third (31%) indicated the park should be within a 5-minute bike ride. These represent slight increases from the 2006 survey results (48% and 25% respectively).

The survey also asked specifically about proximity and access time to open space.
Respondents were less likely to desire close proximity to open space. Over half (52%) said that open space could be at least a 15-minute walk from home, and 49% said it could be as much via biking. These results are very similar to those generated by the 2006 survey.

Respondents indicated that proximity to parks, trails, and green spaces were important in their choice of home location.

A very high share of respondents (79%) indicated that such proximity was at least somewhat important. The final question of this set asked respondents about priorities for trail connectivity.
Respondents stated that accessing other park and recreation facilities was the most important priority for trail connectivity. Accessing workplaces was least important.

Respondents could name other destinations for trails. These answers are provided below.

**Other Destinations for Trails (Q19)**

- Major hubs like shopping centers, community centers. Trails should connect to each other and provide alternate means for people to travel around league city without cars.
- Trails need to connect to each other.
- Cable Park
  - Please fix the sidewalks in neighborhoods!!! We can't even walk in our neighborhoods because of the city requirements that we not water during spring/summer 2011 drought -- and that caused the sidewalks to buckle so bad that now we trip when trying to walk on sidewalks. Please stop looking for ways to spend more money on new things when you don’t even repair what is already existing.
- City/municipal pickleball courts with lights outdoors.
- Take pride
- The most important function of a trail should be to provide a safe area for citizens to traverse from one venue to another. This should be the primary goal whether for recreation or functional use.
- The new dog park, when it’s built
- It would be nice to have a safe walking/biking sidewalk connecting Hometown Heroes to the neighborhoods near it. Many people have been hurt/killed on Dickinson Ave. so we can’t walk or bike to that park even though we would like to.
- One neighborhood to the other. And keep kids off bysy fm518
- Ideally trails would connect with other additional networks of trails in other neighboring cities
- The city is not walkable. It’s almost impossible to cross the train tracks.
- A person who enjoys biking does not consider a 2 hour round trip a big deal
- Wakeboard Cable Park
- Cable Wakeboard Park
- Cable Park
- I feel that this is a gross misuse of tax dollars. Use it to clean up all areas in the city, improve drainage, clean ALL ditches, remove trees from all power lines, improve traffic flow on FM518 west of IH-45; improve access to Ross Elementary and Creekside Intermediate to get the cars off the street; move stop light at Wray’s AC back to Ellis Landing Blvd or by Ross Elem/COM intersection. Traffic is horrendous.
- Events, facilities, programs for special needs children.
- Place to get drinks/rest out of the heat
- Dog Parks
- Pickleball courts.
- General fitness
- Library
- Dog park, off leash area for dogs
- The Ned and Fay Dudney Center needs to be safely accessible by walking and bicycling.
- Scenery
- Bike trails for leisure Biking.
- Link trails
- Look at what Seabrook Trails dies. I wish we had that here.
We like to ride to parks or just take trails to exercise. Right now we only have a place to ride from the YMCA on 96 down League City Parkway past Bay Area Blvd and take the trail over to Bay Area Park and then come back and back home. The trails don’t connect any place else in league City for us to ride our bikes.

As a triathlete, it would be nice to have long distance, scenic routes away from heavy traffic.

Dog Park! A big, nice, safe park with amenities like Bay Area Park

Dog park

Libraries, community center, city hall

Dog park

neighbouring communities (i.e. Kemah)
Mountain bike trails
Other regional trails
other trails
Safe sidewalks to get downtown & Walter Hall Park.
This will reduce traffic for events.
dog parks!!!!

Off road mountain biking trails

Biking trails

the connection should be to as many in the above list as a possible. Trails should be an attractive alternative to cars and promote Pokémon Go

Dog Park

Access to mountain bike trails
subdivisions and communities
Dog Park

Dog park

Your not asking the right questions in this survey. It doesn’t matter how far people have to walk or bike to get to a park if the walking and biking routes are not safe due to poor pedestrian and bicycling access (e.g., substandard sidewalks or no sidewalks or bike lanes whatsoever).

We need sidewalks not trails to grocery, etc in the low to mod income areas.

Close Indoor Swimming Pool.

Clear Creek/Clear Lake (water views)

Extended trails to connect different neighborhoods

It would be wonderful if bike trails could intersect with other regional bike trails so people could commute to work on bikes.

Community spaces.

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Honestly, encouraging more cycling, walking, and access to sidewalks and nature would be an excellent improvement and selling point for this already wonderful city. I’d like to think that with all the development this city is undergoing, our civic leaders won’t forget that we are blessed with natural surroundings that help us all to decompress and spiritually flourish in order to give back to others.

Dog park

The taxpayers should not be paying for this.

Youth sports areas

Not sure.

Church

Having the option to walk safely throughout the community versus having to drive everywhere or to most destinations would be quite an opportunity. Sounds like a lot of redesigning of communities required and zoning, too. Tired of high density traffic.

I really like how The Woodlands planned their trails. It's like a completely separate network within the town. They never ran along streets (& if they did, they had a wall of trees shielding them so you couldn't see the road) While I wouldn't use it for utilitarian use (actually getting somewhere because I needed to be there) I would use them as a nice covered walk on a Saturday.

None

City recreational facilities (ball parks, ball fields, pools, etc.)

WALKING TRAILS/PATHS/SIDEWALKS

None of the above; most people drive. Walking is not a priority option outside of one's immediate neighborhood.

A dog park

Historical sights such as old school house and museum. Also it would be nice for a trail to go to the new animal shelter. Possibly the shelter could have a historical looking exterior to fit in the historical area.

Dog Park

Wildlife viewing and preserves.

All of the above would be AWESOME ! Man, I'd be in some serious shape & it would help alleviate traffic also !

I would very much like to safely walk to the shops near my home

Other than destinations, it’s also important to me that you can make a loop via the trails, to just go out and get exercise with a minimum of 10 miles, but ideally more. I’d love to be able to go for a long bike ride and stop for lunch somewhere, or get some ice cream, or go swimming or something like that. So far, I've been able to ride from Westover Park to the restaurants on the northeast corner of I-45 / FM-646 interchange, but there are some dicey areas (narrow/uneven sidewalks, the I-
45 underpass). I’d love to be able to do more of this throughout the year. To a splash pad or pool in the summer, to the library, etc.

Museums

Trails are not important to my household.

looking for a good place to fish!

To my kids friends houses. A trail between subdivisions so the can walk or ride to their friends easily

Dog parks

Restrooms!! Many of the parks I bike or jog to don't have bathrooms or water fountains. Both are needed. The Ghirardi Water Smart park is great because it does have these.

Paths to Gilmore Elementary from Claremont Schools

Off leash dog walking

All are very important to improve quality of living and promote a healthy lifestyle.

I just use the trails for exercise and recreation. I don't know of anyone that uses the trail system for transportation or access.

what about golf carts?? Make trails big enough for them..

More off road trails for mountain bikes. I like the concrete trails as well as natural trails through the woods on dirt and clay, up and down hills.

Ice Rink

Restrooms

Historical sites in LC

If there are more trails connecting with citizen access to maps of trails, this could encourage less vehicle use.

I won’t be using trails

All neighborhood lakes should have a complete trail around the lake for safety. The Lakes of S S has a partial path and NO PATH at all on the lake behind Summer Cape Circle homes. Money was given to the HOA to finish it, but the homeowners on bury it. It is a TERRIBLE SECURITY RISK to take children off of the lake path onto the main street path on Austin. The City of LC needs to correct this.

To the ice rink!!!!

I'd like a path to a future ice rink!

Municipal facilities like the library!

Ice Hockey

Ice Rink would be nice.

Ice Rink!

water fronts

We are considering a downsizing relocation to League City while continuing to work at NASA. If an ice rink were added to the area, that would seal the deal. We drive all the way across Houston to the Bellerive Ice Center (Sharpstown) 3-5 times per week right now!

other trails and larger trail system

Ice rink

Trails should not connect to crowded retail or restaurants. Trails should be a getaway from the busy side of life, not become its immediate neighbor. I feel if there were a trail behind, let's say, a grocery store, you would have unaccompanied teenagers and kids back there just because it's close by and they would disrupt the peace and tranquility of its original intention. Not to mention offering a place for underage drinking and drug use due to its ease of accessibility. I would also expect to find more trash and thus greater need for upkeep in these scenarios.

Bank, post office

This almost implies you're using the term "trail" as loosely as possible. A trail is meant for a walk, jog, bike ride, or hike. Not to get from my house to a shopping center or restaurant. If this refers to a sidewalk as a trail then the other 18 sections need a redo.

Other neighborhoods

Places for dogs, small and large divisions

Connect current roads with big shoulders for cyclists and other vulnerable road users I.e. 270 between 96 and Nasa1

Most drive to their destinations, but parking areas are of concern.

Recreational trails

Amphitheaters and other recreational facilities.

EVERYTHING!!

Ok

Unknown...too costly. Use tax dollars for city library

Paying for Parks and Recreational Facilities (Q20)

The survey inquired as to respondents’ preferred means of providing the fiscal resources for improvements in park and recreational facilities and programming.
Nearly four-fifths (78%) of respondents would support re-allocation of other public spending toward parks and recreation. Increasing local taxes was the least popular, at 29%.

**Other Comments for Parks and Trails Improvements (Q21)**

The survey gave respondents an opportunity to provide open-ended input regarding the City’s parks, trails, and recreational facilities and programming. These comments are listed below.

**Other Comments from Respondents (Q21)**

- thank you for providing this resource for feedback.
- L.C is always expanding, making it hard to keep up with need. A very important challenge. Those responsible certainly seem to understand this.
- This city is too large to not have adequate fitness facilities available for the community.
- Would like to see a Cable Park
- Please do not change the integrity of League Park..... change for change sake isn't always the right thing to do.
- do not take money away from roads. they are in horrible condition in this city. I came from one of the poorest counties in this state and their old farm roads are a hell of a lot better than this cities. Get your shit together about the real things that matter like roads not trails and parks. Texas Ave. got skrewed out of the sidewalk it should have gotten in that switcher-roo repaving crap. you will have to redo it soon its already going south.
- We are very pleased to see the new water and drainage works in Clear Creek Village. Road improvements and cycling lanes would be nice. This a beautiful city. The community has been superb.
- jogging trails with gravel ground and tree shade
- PLEASE REPAIR EXISTING SIDEWALKS! Please stop tearing up neighborhoods to install new hike and bike trails then bailing on your responsibilities!
- Please consider beautifying water drainage/holding ponds. These are available to put walking trails around and trees and making nice green space.
- I would like to see something along the lines of the Seabrook trails. Not only is it the kind of venue that runners like myself enjoy (unlike the tiny loops at Hometown Heros and Walter Hall), but it would also generate a lot of income for the city. As an example of that, check out the attendance at the Seabrook Lucky Trail Marathon half marathon, relay marathon, and 5K. That’s a complete weekend of thousands of people coming to town and spending money locally. Hotels, gas stations, restaurants, grocery stores, etc. ROI for the city is a good thing.
The recreational programs should work on training referees. This helps children learn the correct rules. As well as not feeling under valued as a player when proper calls are not made. The program also should realize that as children get closer to 4th and 5th grade, these programs should be focused more on coaching the skill to prepare than for intermediate and high school.

Our goal should not be development for the sake of development. There is very little undeveloped land remaining in the city, and to the greatest extent possible it should be preserved, and expanded where possible.

In reference to the discussion about the possible dog park in Newport Park, I wanted to voice my opinion of being in favor of the idea. Our neighborhood is older and has fewer amenities as it currently stands, and could use the modern feature. I feel that the neighborhood is in a state where younger, more active families with small children are moving into these homes (which this describes my family) and a dog park for us to take our family pets to would be a great plus to this awesome area! Also, there are few sidewalks through the neighborhood. I see many people like ourselves out walking our dogs, creating a traffic hazard potentially. This gives the residents a safe area to let our pets play and interact, separate from the kid play area at the park. I look forward to hearing the outcome of the decision, as I truly feel this will enrich the neighborhood for current and future residents.

Would like to see more resources put into the Newport Park, such as walking trail, baseball field, thinks for kids to enjoy and older adults to use.

The city should check all "associations" who wish to partner with them and have the ability to audit their books.

I appreciate the opportunity to express my choices.

League City needs dog parks

Good job Parks Department!

Pickleball would be a great addition to league city in the form of permanent (not a bring your own net) courts. Convert some unused tennis courts to pickleball - or make some new ones. They will be used frequently. And with the right number of courts, lots of tourism income for restaurants and hotels will be generated. People travel every week from as far as Katy-Galveston to play pickleball all over the city. There aren't enough courts. Additionally, tournaments would draw lots of people from other cities, states, and countries. The demand is here and now. And there are tiny cities in states that don't match the population of league city with nearly more outdoor courts than people!

Please build an ice rink

Have not explored all League City has to offer. Trails would be good for students walking to school and keeping bicycles off public streets.

All trails seem to be on the west side of 45 in League City.

Parks and trails should be in areas that utilize the location of the city on the water. There is no access to water other than boat ramps. It should encourage tourism by providing places to fish, paddle, bike. Attract businesses around League City that would attract families to the League City park, (i.e., pie shop, shaved ice, ice cream, etc. and provide a ground/dancing fountain for parents to bring children to run and play in. Keep parks usable and tranquil by routing through traffic away from recreational areas. Concession for paddling at Heritage Park. Promote places for seniors to socialize and congregate, buy and drink coffee, eat play cards, etc. Promote the parks and senior programs. Through traffic should be kept away from places of recreation to provide an escape from the "city" traffic and sounds. No one ways to use a park that is bombarded by sounds of traffic.

Too many apartment complexes have been allowed with not enough open spaces and parks. League City is not the place we want to be any more because of the massive growth is has seen. Traffic is horrible! Can't WAIT to get out of here as soon as we retire!!!
Please use the primary goal to include The most important function of a trail should be to provide a safe area for citizens to traverse from one venue to another.

In that vein of thought, as I live off Hwy 96, I would propose a trail linking Hometown Heroes to downtown Main street venues, and link Hometown Heros to Hwy 146 via a minimum 8 ft. wide trail. This is the minimum trail width for safety. I would volunteer in anyway I can to make this happen for League City.

No.

Yes. We need a dog park. PLEASE.

Why do we allow land to be clear cut before there is a building permit or any clear planned use for the land. We need more green and less concrete. Everything green helps our environment. We need all the help nature can give us to clean the air of man made pollution.

We need a dog park. If the city owns a city park, even if it is in, Neighborhood, then it should be used for a purpose that is greatly wanted. This town is waiting for a dog park. I drive to La Porte dog park & give my support to their businesses when I'm there. I would consider moving to a different city because this one is not fulfilling my needs.

I'd rather spend money on more parkland than parking garages and "attracting business," whatever that means. By park land I mean open spaces and walk bike trails, I don't think we need a stadium.

Cable ski park please

League city cable park

There is a lack of sidewalks and biking lanes in communities on 2094. I find it dangerous to bike with my kids anywhere; we have to be very careful and creative on our route.

I think a cable park would be amazing!

I've heard some talk about getting a cable park in League City and think that would be GREAT! My friends and I drive way too far to get to one, now. It would be awesome to have one here!!!!

No.

Cable park!!!

Cable park

Use the dog park money of 50,000 to use towards an amphitheater.

I would like to see the creek cleaned up and used as a paddleway.....canoes, kayaks...paddleboards. We are wasting a valuable resource. More fishing areas along the creek!

No dog parks.

Love what was done with the rain garden on Louisiana!

I think there is a lot of waste in the administration, upkeep, and planning of many of the city parks. I will be more specific after a thorough investigation.

More attention needs to be given to the most eastern zone of League City. Some of these neighborhoods have been here for decades and they contain your most loyal residents. Treat them well.

League City absolutely needs a dog park and more natural areas with habitat protection and hiking trails will keep this a great town to live in.

I just think league city should care more about the people that already live here instead of trying to get more people to come here.
It saddens me to see so many natural habitats bulldozed down to make enormous parking lots for yet another mattress store, nail salon, gas station, etc. etc. When I moved here I really enjoyed seeing an occasional coyote, the hawks, a bobcat, and multitudes of songbirds. Not any more. I now have cars, and more cars, and stoplights because instead of dense woods there is a Kroger's (because the one that was 1.1 miles down the road wasn't good, or something.) And all those other habitats across the road on 96 -- GONE! No more natural cooling, natural air filtration, biodiversity, quietness, free wild blackberries - instead, I'll get a light reflecting, hot cement parking lot. THAT is what I hope to stop happening to the yet untainted parts of League City.

Save the Trees!

I find the current loop in Mag Creek/Rustic Oaks to be fantastic in scope and maintenance. Kudos to the city and the workers. I would like to see the trails around Countryside brought up to similar width and condition and expanded as the trails there are nice due to the shade/trees (never going to be the case on most of the RO/MC path).

We need a large space (at least 25 acres) with walking trails for the many people who want to exercise themselves and their dogs daily. Recently I visited my sister in Minnesota and she has 5 dog parks within 20 minutes drive of her house. Most of them require some type of annual fee, and are maintained by a combination of volunteers and county or city employees.

The space on League City Parkway between Westover Park and Magnolia Creek needs to have the trees taken down as it is not safe. Can't be seen when walking thru there and snakes have been out a ton this year.

There are tons of kids walking on fm518 from school. This is dangerous. Please make a trail that connects neighborhoods through green spaces to keep them off busy roads. No dog parks

We are so privelaged to live in the midst of a sub-tropical eco-system. Let's please work together to take care of and protect our entire eco-system.

Green spaces and wildlife management is very important and we must preserve the land and keep it from being used as commercial space.

I think too much emphasis has been put on hike/bike trails and neighborhood parks. Most of the neighborhood parks within the city are magnets for vandals and drug activity. Park funds should be allocated to police the existing parks, and NOT add new facilities. There are too many as it is now. Funds are being wasted on leisure and not on upgrading sewer and storm water drainage in older subdivisions (Ellis Landing and Newport). Streets are not repaired in a timely manner, or to a standard that will last longer than 6 months, storm drains are plugged with debris so water cannot drain off the streets. NO NEW TAXES, NO TAX HIKES -- WE ARE TAXED TO DEATH AND MONEY IS BEING WASTED ON FRIVILOUS PROJECTS AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE UPGRADED IS NEGLECTED.

Boundless playground needs some maintanence. The music area doesn't work well lately

I would like to see a canoe/kayak launch on Robinson Bayou near Red River BBQ

Thank you for doing this! I was really surprised when we moved to this area by the lack of an extensive trial network - I have great hopes for good things to come. I have one issue with trails near us - they are often flooded for a good portion of the year making them pretty unusable during those times. So, whatever is done, potential for flooding needs to be considered in the planning process.

Please acquire the open space between League City Parkway and Hometown Heroes Park. Ideal for sports fields, such as additional soccer and softball, making League City a destination for sports. Much better use than another strip mall.

What is taking you so long to get any forward movement on this issue? You have been sitting on existing funds for years.

As you affirmatively buy and expand the city limits - you herein pretend to be serious about the quality of life in the existing areas.
We need more classes, activities for babies, toddlers other than library and for free. We already pay lot of taxes and only benefits school age kids and seniors. Young family need a break and have fun and educational activities for free.

Let's not only be the fastest growing city, but the greenest and most healthy city too! Many other cities have extensive trails and bike lanes and are more healthy as a result. Our trails do not often go where I need them or end abruptly, and we have no designated biking lanes along the roads. I bike to work every weekend in the summer, and would probably bike more if I were not afraid of the convoluted route on side streets that I must take for fear of getting hit. We need bike lanes on the streets and as many trails for walking and biking as possible. I would be willing to pay a large increase in taxes if this would improve biking/walking access in League City.

Just to please build a sidewalk at the intersection of south shore harbor entrance and league city pkwy. If people ride their bikes or try to walk to HEB from South Shore, the journey to cross the south shore entrance is very risky. Thank you.

Need more sidewalks.

We would REALLY like water access to Clear Lake for small non powered craft such as kayaks, SUP, and windsurfers. Today we can actually es Clear Creek but it is a long way to get to Clear Lake. We have found private neighborhood mini parks but the signs state access is restricted to residents ...we do not live there.

The bridge at South Shore blvd and 96 REALLY NEEDS sidewalks on it and to/from it. Or a pedestrian/bike path parallel to the bridge. But we really need wheelchair (and bicycle) accessible sidewalks on both sides of the north side of South Shore blvd. Accessibility to wheelchairs, bicycles, and pedestrians is VERY DANGEROUS (not accessible for wheelchairs) right now ...need to go on the busy road.

More fishing access would be great.

Cable park

We should build a cable park in League City. I believe it would be an amazing addition to our wonderful city.

No

need community exercise programs

Cable wakeboard park please

I would love to see more on the West side of League City and easier accessibility from the north side of 518

Build a wakeboard cable park... And they will come.

I think our city should have more off street bike trails to get around the city. Our parks, open spaces and trails should be in the center areas of the city and a business kept in a Central Business district (Near 45 and outer limits of the city.)

What I am familiar with seems in good condition overall and is well used. Keep up the good work. Expansion might be nice and I am willing to pay for some.

Thank you for asking for community feedback in service to the people

Build the cable park. Add on to the skatepark or build one with a bowl or some sort of vert.

The area needs a complex that includes a wakeboard park. It would attract kids and adults alike, increase local tourism, and is in a growing market.

Build a 3 lake cable wakeboard park (advanced and novice oval lake, plus beginner straight lake). It’s a park that locals would enjoy and people would travel to come to...and spend money.

We need a wakeboard cable park
I would like a cable park to be built in league city. I think it would be great for the city.

Cable park very important

Open a wake park!

Go Visit BSR in Waco!

Need shade at the parks because of the heat. Add cooling off stations at the parks.

Would love to see a cable park

Sidewalks should be completely straight, not winding like on South Shore Harbour and 96 behind Kroger. When you're pushing a stroller you are completely zig-zagging. Yes, the road curves, but zig-zagging is a waste of time and money.

I believe a cable wakeboard party would greatly increase the city's visibility in the state and nation as wakeboarding is growing exponentially and is a wonderful and positive sport for people of all ages.

IMMEDIATELY STOP BUILDING ALONG CLEAR CREEK WATERFRONT!!!!! STOP RUNAWAY CITY COUNCIL & CITY MANAGER!!!!! STOP BUILDING APARTMENTS & MATTRESS STORES!!! MAINTAIN EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE & PARKS!

Cable Park

A cable park would be an incredible addition to the community.

Allow cable park building

Would love to see a cable park, would bring revenue with the amount of people that would come to use it

A cable park might be an attraction to the city. A user fee should be implemented on the cable park.

Would love to see a cable park

I feel League City's taxes are already TOO HIGH. Any additional spending for parks is unacceptable. We DO NOT need another Big League Dreams disaster.

Focus on upgrading infrastructure, roads, drainage especially in older parts of town more than parks and open spaces. The infrastructure, roads and drainage in some of the older parts of town has not changed or been improved since League City was incorporated. People in these areas need to get some priority over constantly building new things for new residents.

League City Cable Park

I think a cable park would be a good fit for the area and would draw people into League City from the surrounding areas.

There should be offroad biking parks, like Jack Brooks Park in Hitchcock. The city could charge entry and they would make money. Most mountain bike parks are maintained by a mountain biking community all over houston a lot of the members live in League City and Webster and would flock to any new trails as soon as they open.

We need a cable park

I think a cable park would be a great addition. I would truly visit league city from across town to spend the day there as often as I could

Would benefit from new recreation such as a cable park.

need some place for off-roading for Jeeps, etc

I want a cable park
The land on FM270 across from the church should be bought and keep as close to an open space as possible.

League City needs to build an Ice rink

We made the selection of our house based on proximity to grocery, retail and running paths. We purposely excluded housing areas that did not connect to a trail (or sidewalk) to get to grocery or parks. League City communities seem very disconnected. We could stand more sidewalks; especially along 96 and 270 where many people live and commute. We could also use more trees along roads and trails.

As I mentioned before, I come from an area of Kansas where city planners develop AWESOME wide sidewalks before housing developments begin. They are all connected to a well-thought out design of trails that are wide enough for three bikes and are maintained very well. Each trail is linked to a system of amazing open spaces that offer parks, fishing, picnicking. Find out more details here: [http://www.jcpkd.com/parks_facilities/trailguide.cfm](http://www.jcpkd.com/parks_facilities/trailguide.cfm)

Trails add to the quality of life and for League City, finding sidewalks that connect to parks is difficult. For instance, how many trails lead to Walter Hall Park or to the Sportsplex or to Hometown Heroes? None. If there were safe sidewalks that lead to these places, I would use them. Many runners in our area find it difficult to locate trails and instead just run around our communities. There are better options and League City should support this effort. We need to get residents out of their house and being active! Please, please consider developing a trail system for our great city. It will reap enormous benefits for our area for years to come. We are so disconnected at the moment. Let's bring it together!

Minor, but it seems like the trail signs aren't designed well; they aren't sealed at the top, meaning rain water/moisture can get inside them. The ones in poor shape already should be replaced and the ones in good shape should have waterproofing caps added to the top.

I hope this is a serious effort to improve League City and not an opportunity for the new mayor to make money selling land to the city.

Lacrosse is the fastest growing sport in Texas, both League City and CCISD need to acknowledge this and consider adding lacrosse fields to city parks and lacrosse teams at public schools. I am currently paying a great deal of money for my children to play on private teams which play against other public school teams in the Houston area.

thank you for asking

is there a park map with information, I wasn't aware of all these parks, tree coverage is important to know because it gets so hot.

thank you

Overall I think League City has a great offering in this area. Thanks for asking for our online input as you consider how to move forward!

We are in need of additional or dedicated fields for lacrosse.

A dog park would be a wonderful addition to League City!

We need a dog park in the South Shore Harbor area

Although I typically only access the few parks that are near my house, they are in good shape (although a splash pad for small kids would be very nice). Other parks in League City are less known to me, and likely less known to others. Although they're listed on the city website (which I didn't really review until at least year 5 of my residency), possibly it would be best to have some sort of campaign to inform city residents about the different parks, programs, and facilities prior to allocating funds to new facilities. I have enjoyed and appreciated the city-sponsored events at the local parks as well. I've never been to the League City pool, but I'd likely oppose development of a new pool facility.

Pedestrian trail on 270 is most important. I see these are under construction. Further develop main street, sidewalk both sides. Rec Center with basketball gym of water access of fishing.
I live in Westover Park with entrance at Rainbourne. Was told the open field was set up for a park/large playground. Have lived here for one year. Went will that they start?

Keep League City Beautiful!

Most of the trails and parks I have observed are not maintained to a high standard. Why add additional parks, facilities, trails, etc., if staff can’t/won’t maintain what is currently here. Drive down any street on the west side of IH-45 and notice all the broken or missing curbs, sidewalks which cannot be used; trees blocking traffic signs; trees, etc. blocking existing sidewalks; traffic signs which are not appropriately located; lack of police patrols on west side of town (all day/night); lack of signage which announces city events. Not everyone drives through the area east of SH 3 and SS Harbor areas to find out what is going on in the city. We are neglected, except if we don’t pay our water/sewage bills or taxes.

More opportunities, facilities, events, programs, etc. for special needs children

I’m not a cyclist, but they need better shoulders for safe riding. As much as I’d like to say they should ride on roads that have bigger shoulders, there aren’t enough options which puts unnecessary risk on cyclists and vehicle drivers both.

Excited about nature trails that feel safe enough to be walked alone with good lighting and emergency stations along the trail.

Make accurate and honest pricing of development and maintenance cost on any project

Lighting at existing parks is an issue for me and my family. Another issue is access to drinkable water while in one of the parks.

A nearby non-resident (and former resident!) is grateful for nice facilities within range of home. Use fees are fair for us interlopers, and I hope you’ll consider serving us as well.

I would like to see lacrosse become a recreational sport in our city.

A lacrosse field would be wonderful for our community

We need a dedicated lacrosse field with turf and lines and more parking at sports fields. We also need a new entrance to the Sportsplex and directed traffic on Saturdays.

Would love to see some lacrosse fields because my kids love it and are involved

Youth lacrosse teams have existed for several years through Bay Lax (formerly Clear Lake Lacrosse). (There is also a local lacrosse team for girls.) The lacrosse programs have grown substantially through the years. Fields dedicated to lacrosse would support maintaining the current growth, as well as furthering growth in our local area. Providing youth with access to sports such as lacrosse, rowing and fencing allow for alternatives. Youth who may not desire or have the skillset for the high focused sports such as baseball, football and soccer. Please consider reaching additional youth within our area through the indicated sports. Lacrosse in particular is widespread throughout other parts of the country. When considering Texas - lacrosse is widespread in areas/cities like Dallas and The Woodlands. It is important that we develop such widespread opportunity within our city.

We are members of Clear Lake Lacrosse and would love to see facilities in the city for lacrosse teams. Lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in the country and is starting to see a big growth in the Houston suburb areas but we have limited spaces available for games and field practices.

Lacrosse has grown tremendously over the past decade in Texas. My family has become very involved in both club lacrosse and activities provided through CCISD. It would be great if League City could allocate space for lacrosse fields in the same way it allocated dedicated space for soccer, baseball and softball.

I would like to see more recreational opportunities on the west side of I-45. Everything is pretty much on the east side. Need playing fields for Lacrosse teams please.
Yes, I would like to support the partnership of CLLA Lacrosse with the city. Lacrosse is a great high action sport and the league offers opportunities for older kids to get involved in sports if they do not play school ball or are homeschooled like my teens.

The clear lake lacrosse team has passionate coaches that are expanding the sport of lacrosse in the clear lake area. Lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in the US. In the near future Houston will get a major league team, which will mean expansion of lacrosse into colleges throughout Texas. This represents real opportunity for young people to get scholarships to play in college. We want our community of boys and girls to fill these spots. In order to do this we need a well-maintained lacrosse field that is safe for our teams to practice on.

Lacrosse is an up and coming sport here in League City. Clear Lake Lacrosse Association has been showing rapid growth and needs to secure dedicated practice/game fields and a location for Tournaments (we are outgrowing the SportsPlex).

I would be interested in about 10-20 miles in hike and bike trails. Me and my family would volunteer to help build and maintain them.

Would like to see a connection from 518 to Austin St. We had heard there would be one through pipeline.

Please make the sidewalk wider, it is hard to ride with a child in front or behind you; or in the street. I feel it is safer for them beside me.

I believe there should be an emphasis on connecting parks and greenspaces to each other. Ex: Connectivity from walter hall park to fay dudney nature park via bike n hike possibly creek where possible. After observing the city of LC spending and oversight on projects over the yrs. I have a hard time trusting that money's will be spent responsibly and that oversight on projects will be in the best interests of taxpayers and the quality of the project. There is a history of gerrey manderery of funds.

Use free parks for community farming as I saw in Houston and TV programs in other cities.

Trail systems need to be dog friendly with periodic dog waste bag stations, benches, trash cans, restrooms/water fountains/picnic tables.

Use raised pathways to avoid water pooling after rains.

Include fitness stations along trailway.

Lots of missing linkages.

Need to repair differential settlements

4-b for maintenance operations

The recent addition of Rustic Oaks Park, nature path and bayou lookout is a very nice. Our family really enjoys that nature gem!!

No Dog park needed. Leave existing parks as they are

Open space seems like it’s being eaten up by commercial development quickly. We chose our location because of nearby greenspace and hope some remains!

Need a dog park.

Please look to Houston and areas north for what not to do. Less green space equals more flooding.

A city of 100,000 residents should have an area where people can gather and socialize their dogs off leash without "harassment" from county law enforcement.
There are a lot of people in my neighborhood that would love a dog park at the Newport park location which has plenty of open space.

This is the first community I've lived in that didn't have parks that allowed pets. I have to use trails in my neighborhood to walk my dog.

Dog Parks!!!

Would love to see a dog park in League City.

I think the community would really benefit and enjoy a few splash pad locations at local parks, especially during the summer months.

Our city needs to be much more hike and bike friendly, including connecting to other areas, for example Hwy 270 is inaccessible and we must put our bikes in the truck to get to all the trails around Nasa and Nassau Bay.

Not everyone uses these facilities, especially seniors. Don't punish us by raising taxes to pay for individual or family oriented facilities.

A dog park would be great!

Does the City still spend tens and hundreds of thousands of dollars doing studies, then doing nothing with the results? Do we still hire out-of-state/city companies for this? Have we tried giving U of H Cullen College of Engineering, Texas A&M College of Architecture, UT Austin has Colleges of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, City and Regional Planning, and Engineering? Can't we be a project for higher education using the brain power in our own area/state?

I would like to see a trails system similar to around Seabrook's Meador Park and along the main road that runs along the coast. It connects various housing communities, parks and allows for running/cycling, both long and short distances, on a crushed gravel path, which is better for the joints than concrete.

Tax the businesses instead of increasing resident taxes. Get grants.

Play ground equipment covered with shade covers so kids can play year round

A dog park would be extremely nice to include as city facilities.

When will downtown be re-developed?

Bayridge Park needs update

Trail surfaces should be crushed gravel to make drainage more earth friendly as well as easier to jog on. There needs to be more bathrooms at Hometown Heros Park. Especially closer to the soccer/football fields. Bathrooms need to be updated at Walter Hall Park. A splash pad outside of the pool gates would be nice for the community to be used outside of normal pool hours and not require a fee. See Websters Texas Avenue splashpad.

League City needs an off the leash dog park.

Buy Lighthouse Island and turn it into a destination park, complete with an amphitheater and boardwalk area.

Need park with large hills for kids to run and roll down, and for people to exercise on, since so flat here. Big hill could be amphitheatre destination also. Rec facilities need to have later open gym times for older teens (till 10:45 or so). Need a place to stroll around on date night after dinner, or to run in evening, versus all parks closing at dusk. Along the river / creek would be possible option. Have places that can rent bikes on trails. Figure out how walkers, runners, bikes, rollerblades, skateboards, strollers, segways might coexist on trails. Need unique destination places on trails, like statues or natural art. Have more example / educational parks like Ghirardi Water Park (grow food not lawns, xeriscape lawn examples or Little Red Schoolhouse natural habitat). Have some natural unpaved trails for hiking and/or mountain biking. Have an outdoor rock climbing facility, zip line and/or lazy river at a park for fee/charge. Have an outdoor chess/checker board at Hometown Heroes park / senior center. Have pavilions for large picnic gatherings that are permitted on annual basis for fee paid on Jan 1, for certain dates.
throughout year. Spruce up Challenger park memorial / statues, art mound. Make a large tourist destination at a park - like the "bean" in Chicago Millenial park. Address new technology, such as have a large public space with line of sight available for people learning to fly drones either full time, or on designated days each month for this purpose. Have connectivity of trails be so great that they become an alternative transportation means and help ease traffic congestion.

Some type of nice scenic trail system would be awesome. Something like Brazos Bend State Park would be great, but I know we probably don't have the space to do that....

The more safe places for kids and teens to hang out at the less likely they are to get in trouble. Having events for young adults/adults is a good way to meet new people. Parks and trails for walking and biking would be good for safe exercise. Fishing spots would be awesome!

Bike lanes are needed on roads for safety and to encourage a more active community.

We need dog parks and natural wildlife areas.

Yes, we have all this open land under the high power lines, couldn't we install wide walking and bicycle paths that would connect around league city.

Build a natatorium - you've done the studies....you know the city will make money. Hometown Heroes is a waste of taxpayer dollars - if year-round swim teams were able to host tournaments and also host water Polo teams - the city would only benefit. Also, some of your staff need training in community relations!

NO MORE TAXES. Quit trying to add taxes to our cell phones, water, electricity, etc. Take care of our infrastructure, flooding problems, traffic, etc. before any more building. Opposed to any acquisition of land by the city unless it will remain green space.

Are there any plans to build parks and trails in the Bay Colony area. As LC tax payers we seem to be getting short changed.

I would really like a dedicated mountain bike trail. I purchased a very nice bike thinking the trail was going to be open. Please give some consideration to having a mountain bike trail. Thank you.

dog park and a water park is probably the most important issue for family. we go to other smaller cities for these because league city doesn't have them and it seems crazy for its size

I think better communication and visibility of the facilities and parks/trails is important

Move special functions to different parks for exposure.

You have flooded your hometown heroes park and SportsPlex to the point where it is miserable to get in and out of. Parking is horrible and traffic on 96 in and out is impossible to navigate. It is so bad we are looking at other sources for our children to play sports like I-9 and upwards.

More water access for kayak fishing.

The focus on biking should be to make league city like Austin. Biking trails across the city! On and off the road

League city desperately needs a dog park and walking/hiking/biking trails. Currently, I must travel to other cities for both.

We, the citizens of League City want responsible managed growth of our community. Clear cutting property for building needs to be outlawed! When clear cutting is done the environment is severely damaged. It is that environment that supports living creatures that we should live in harmony with. It takes 10 large full grown evergreen trees to provide enough oxygen for 1 (one) human to live for 1 (one) year. Think of that the next time you see a piece of property clear cut by one of the developers in our community. It is a travesty that this is allowed to happen. There are more responsible ways for a community to grow and increase tourism.
Also, change the city logo back to the Oak Tree! League City has less than 1/8th water front exposure on its perimeters. We, the voters & tax payers of League City, were not allowed to vote on this change, therefore you violated our rights by arbitrarily making this change.

There used to be a sign warning the trail users about venomous snakes around the pond in Rustic Oaks. Why was that sign taken down? Are the snakes gone? If so, then why isn't the trash in and around the pond cleaned up?

League City is rapidly growing but I hope these conveniences and access do not encroach to much on the nature and scenic areas and family and community points that we came to this city to enjoy.

Along League City Parkway, in front of Hometown Heroes Park, the land is zoned commercial. Development of strip malls there would forever change the character of the park. The city should acquire and use that land for sports fields. League City could be a destination for teen sports competitions.

none

Pls bike roads

N/A

There was a concept in Houston to provide hike and bike trails along the existing high tension corridors. This seems like a great use of space already required to be maintained that allows for long distance hiking and biking away from busy streets.

Please look into getting a sidewalk put in on cross colony /646. This is very dangerous for the families that walk from the neighborhood to parks and schools.

Dear Angel Lopez, I would love to see a dog park in our great city. Something big like they have at Bay Area Park with amenities. We do love our children and our pets in this great city. There are many parks for our children to run and play. It’s a shame that we don’t have one for our dogs who provide us unconditional love. I have two rescue dogs and one beagle who is an AKC certified therapy dog. When we go on therapy visits to various places for the elderly we hear many stories from the residence about pets that have passed away and how they would love to get another but feel they could no longer care for a pet. My mom now lives me and loves the companionship of my hounds but knows she could not handle them alone. Expanding on this idea maybe our city could hold community dog training events? Trainers could volunteer their time, it would be good advertising for them too, and they could spend a couple of weekends at various communities around the city. I’ve seen a lot in my neighborhood and I try not to judge having been brought up in a time and in a family where training dogs was not well understood... to say the least. When I got my first dog as an adult she was my stress release from work and we enjoyed long walks and socializing in the parks around NASA-JSC. When she passed away I was inconsolable until I adopted a rescue treeing walker hound. I had forgotten everything about training a young dog and I was considerably older. Relearning was a challenge for both of us... more for me then her. Terri Struzinski, Westover Park/League City

“The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated” — Mahatma Gandhi

Keep League Park and improve it!

Please improve Bayridge park !!! Long time League City resident of 30 years speaking.

Safety, fun & accessibility

Land use is increasingly for building more houses. This has to stop! Acquisition of open spaces is important!

Several of the play ground sets have broken floors with 3-5” holes in the floor

Adding a modern, forward thinking process to our historical original charm will bring longevity to visitor and resident income growth.

Na
I did not realize that there were so many parks, etc. in the League City area. Maybe just keep them up-to-date and advertise them more so people would be aware they exist.

really need to promote what we have more and clean up what we have. Also enforce rules for the parks as people are constantly leaving trash and dog poop everywhere. Create more parks that wildlife is happy living in.

I walk 7-9 miles per day on our trails, and I love that we have so many nature/picnic/park options. We have recently begun using the paddle trail, and appreciate the city's attention to encouragement of canoe and kayaking!

LC needs trails for walking. Too many sports facilities already exist.

League City (east) needs a dog park as nice as the large one on Bay Area!

No

We need a dog park, a first class dog park. A city of this size needs more than one dog park.

Some bike trails or the ability to bike from home to a park or a retail/restaurant area more easily. Also, if it is possible to develop offroad mountain bike trails in sections of current parks that have elevation change (along creeks) that would be a great attraction!

I think we definitely need more open spaces and parks. There seems to be too much development where the land is razed without saving any of the trees or natural areas. Too much concrete and too many people! This makes for overcrowding, too much traffic and noise. We need to get back to nature.

Connecting all the separate trails

I'm just starting to explore the local parks because of Pokemon Go (yes I'm an adult....). I hope to get more use out of the local parks. When I first moved here I looked for a local dog park and could not find one nearby which was incredibly disappointing since I had very close ones in Pearland before I moved.

I would like to see the sidewalks all finished and connected. For example, Tuscan Lakes sidewalks stop at 96 and don't led to the new retail being built.

Need dog park

Dog parks are very important for me

I was really hoping for a dog park soon. I live in the historic district in the same neighborhood as the existing shelter and walk the dogs constantly. I would love to walk to a dog park and back.

We need a dog park

A quittage tournament, really?????? Ridiculous

It's a shame that a town this size doesn't have a dog park. City leaders claim they want a world-class, destination city like the Woodlands, but they sure won't spend the money for it. The Woodlands has dog parks, concert venues, and other facilities that keep people close to home. In League City, people go elsewhere for their entertainment.

Need more off-road bike trails

We really need some sidewalks/trails along Marina Bay Drive/2094 heading towards the island and Kemah... people would be more likely to run that way and/or take their golf carts down. Also, it get's the runners/walkers off the streets when traffic is directly coming your way. There is no place for those individuals to go and with road rage at an all time high, it's definitely not safe to be running down the street...

I know I mentioned this before, but if we don't save our coyote population there will be an imbalance of wildlife around the area. Please consider the health of the packs before they are all gone.
Make Cyprus Bay put in a sidewalk so we can get out of Glen Cove.

LC is far too large not to have a first class community dog park.

The city would do great with mountain bike trails similar to the ones at Jack Brooks Park in Hitchcock. The trails have a easy and more advanced side.

Dog Park should be the departments number one priority after the new shelter is under construction

Publicize location

Please develop more biking trails for both on and off road

League City residents love our pets and they are very important to us. Having a nice, safe, clean place where we can take them is very important to a lot of us. It would be nice to have a Dog Park that has a section for smaller dogs as well as one for the larger dogs where they can run free and play and socialize with other dogs. It also helps socialize the owners because we are all proud of our fur babies and want to show them off

We need mountain bike trails!

We desperately need better hiking and biking trails and walking paths

Really hoping to get a dog park

Need a dog park

Off road bike trails

Mountain bike trails

Would love to see some type of Mountain bike single track trail system, similar to Jack Brooks Park

We need a dog park and mountain bike trails.

Please look at this neighborhood park - [http://www.brownsburg.org/department/division.php?fDD=7-161](http://www.brownsburg.org/department/division.php?fDD=7-161) I wish we had one like this here. I’d move to an area that had this if it were available locally!

Increase and improve mountain (not paved) and road bike (paved) trails/paths. Add running teals too (prefer asphalt or other surface softer than concrete).

Would encourage transition of public and utility easements to usable trail space.

Lakefront park is at the top of my list.

League City needs a dog park more than anything. There’s already a decent variety of other parks but not a single dog park in the entire league city area the nearest one is Bay Area park which is ~30 min drive from where I live. I’ve lived in league city my entire life (20 years old) and even when I moved out of my parents I still stayed in league city because I love the area so much but it needs a dog park incredibly bad

Please add state of the art dog parks to our city. We are one of the fastest growing cities in the country. We are often highlighted for the quality of life we offer. Please let us increase our property value and quality of life with multiple state of the art dog parks.

Bike and walking trails hopefully could be separate or at least wide enough for both to travel safely on

A BMX track like CenTex BMX in Pflugerville, TX would be a great park to have. It’s sanctioned by the USABMX organization. Sarasota, Florida and Rock Hill, South Carolina recently built new tracks. These not only being in revenue for weekend races, but pull large revenue to National events (typically 3 full days) and state qualifier races.

I would like to pursue purchasing the property off 96 that is owned by the Gay family. It has a lake for fishing. Walking trails could be built around it. There could be a picnic area.
Bike trails

The Civic Center Pool is dirty and frequented by questionable adults.

Still waiting for the bike trails to come to fruition. 100 plus miles were talked about almost a decade ago.

As a new resident that is retired, I would like more info about available trails. Are there any in close proximity to Hidden Lakes? Step 23 of this survey is faulty. It will not accept my answer that 2 people live in my household & they are 65 & older (80 & 77). It will not let me proceed beyond that point!

We have plenty of wooded areas were can add mountain biking trails. I use jack brooks almost every day.

I think the city has sufficient park spaces and trails that are not being used to their capacity. Also, these properties are taken off the tax role. Enough is enough; people do not use these spaces.

Mountain bike trails usually follow the edges of wooded creeks bayous or ditches to create contour. Having them near paved trails and public parking is important. Must be long enough to be good excersise.

I enjoy Mountain Biking as do many of my friends. Currently the closest trail is Jack brooks a ~30min drive. The rest of the Houston area has many single track biking trails except for our area. It would be very nice to have a trail system close by.

The parks and trails plans need to be acted upon. I hope this is not another update and save for later activity that we have gone through so many times in the past

The mountain biking community is full of people willing and able to help construct and maintain trails. We take great pride in the areas we ride. Love to be able to ride closer to home.

Could the new animal shelter be built closer to the existing sports plex and animal emergency care center at the corner of I-45 and HWY96? This location would increase public visits to the shelter and possibly increase rate of adoption.

An easily accessible walking and hiking trail along Clear Creek would be ideal

Need to build mountain bike trail system

Mountain bike trails, contact GHORBA for volunteers for trail building and tail maintenance. MTB opportunities in the southeast Houston metro area are very limited. Could be paid for by day use fees.

League City needs a dog park

Stop commercial building on every blade of grass and make more green areas!

we all seem to agree that we live in a beautiful city and are so proud of it, yet our city doesn't seem to be proud enough to keep it looking beautiful, neat, attractive and appealing ! a simple addition of trees / palms lining major roads, would be a small step with a large impact.

Our family would love to see a natatorium comparable to many surrounding cities, in which the many local swim teams could host meets.

There is a large space available in the Back of magnolia estates that has an empty lot, greenspace, trails, Creek access. The residents were promised a park by the home builder, but it never happened. We suited the builder and the HOA owns the land. The HOA wants to sell it, and the residents would love to finally get a park!

we are still learning what League City has to offer

I am against a dog park.

No dog park

Where can we get maps of trails and parks? Where do we get program information? I just feel uninformed.
There is big open space near Gilmore Elementary School and would love to see a walking trail where I can just easily do a 3-mile walk all in one big loop - like in other communities in Harris County (i.e., Friendswood Link area / Blackhawk/Dixie Fm Rd)

The one Floyd road extension by Claremont Park on the west side would be a GREAT area for a trail and linking it to the Gilmore Elem trail. many people walk in that free space after it is mowed, so making a trail there would be wonderful for the community.

Dog park is sorely needed. I would use it often. We went to Bill Archer DP in Harris Co often.

A dog park and new animal shelter really need to be built in near future.

Mountain bike and cycling is for life. League City lacks the trails/roads for this. This could be an awesome addition to LC if developed correctly!

Please cut brush and tree limbs in the summer on bike trails so limbs don't hit riders in the face. It seems to grow faster than it is being maintained. Additionally, on the 518 bike trail, cyclists traveling from Hwy 146 up FM 518 (heading north?) have issues with the many vehicles that never look to the right when pulling out of side streets from the west onto Deke Slayton Hwy. The drivers do not mind the crosswalk, often stopping in the middle of it, nor do they pay attention to the warning of the bike lane. We've had a few close calls as cyclists. I wish there was a way to warn vehicles that a pedestrian or cyclist was approaching the intersection.

There needs to be a sizeable nice park with hiking trails and preferable a boardwalk/water access in east League City area. Currently one has to go over 20+ minutes to other municipalities in Clear Lake areas to find this. For a city of its size, League City should have its own attractive spaces available.

The West side of League City has been neglected. One park off the creek on Bay Area. No off road trails at all.

A splash pad for the community would be nice! A nice park that is geared to younger kids like the one on clear lake with like 3 different playgrounds all gearing towards different age groups!

Big open space in front of rustic oaks or fields in the park of rustic oaks could be used for dog park. Vaccines would need to be enforced thru registration thru city. Nassau bay has this rule

A dog park is a high priority for me because the closest one is 20 minutes away off Bay Area Blvd. I tried going to the Nassau Bay dog park, which is closer, but you must be a resident of Nassau Bay to go there. Also, a splash pad would be another high priority for me.

Your survey is biased toward a subset of expected outcomes based on prevailing stereotypes of how people think and act. When you frame issues as narrowly as you've done here, you will fail to capture a lot of vital information about how the city actually functions for people in practice. I gave an example above - what difference does it make how much time it might take to walk or bike to a park if neither is a safe option because there are no sidewalks or bike lanes / road shoulders? Whether it takes 5 minutes or 15 minutes, people know it's not safe either way so they're not going to do it either way. But if you frame the question solely in terms of time, you run the risk of attributing low usage rates to a perceived time burden rather than the real issue which is safety. There are other analogous examples in the survey. In many cases, what you'll actually get are answers that apply to questions that you haven't asked, which is an exceedingly poor basis for decision-making.

League Park could use some reprogramming & investment but the multi-million dollar "downtown" plan is a hairbrained scheme. This idea definitely has worked other places but there is not & never was a downtown League City. There just an old town area that's been sadly neglected.

I am looking forward to the expanded trail system One item not addressed is adequate lighting for trails Many of trails in Mag Creek area are not lit so cannot be used at night Also keeping vegetation trimmed is an issue on Mag Creek trails

We need a dog park, and a splash pad, surrounding communities have more than one of both.

I will love bike trails and walking trails all the way from I45 to Kema
None at this time.

More trails, more shade, more parks.

Love the hike bike trails, but need better drainage in certain spots, cut grass more often, trim back shrubs more in some spots, police motor vehicles using trails

In looking at the proposed trail map on the city website we are opposed to a trail that runs west alongside Clear Creek from from the east side of I45 and to Countryside park. Also the proposed trail that runs from south of 518 to the north, behind the Countryside Oaks subdivision (on the east side of Bay Area Blvd.)

Just need more baseball fields that can be available without driving 20 minutes. More tennis courts with lights would be nice too.

Stop ripping out the natural spaces for apartment buildings and shopping centers. We don't need anymore mattress stores or storage spaces. Send to all residents maps of the parks and trails. Improve website information with maps and directions to parks and trails.

Keep up this area of improvement! League City can be so much more!

In this day and age, as a woman I feel unsafe running in parks by myself. We need to increase police patroll and add other safety mechanisms like call boxes or even surveillance.

I would love to have a walking trail withing a reasonable distance of Bay Colony. Preferably a mile or longer loop surrounded by wildlife and trees (shade!) Right now i have to drive over 20 minutes to Randolph park in Friendswood.

Location of new facilities should take into consideration the significant traffic issues in the city.

I am not pleased that existing trees and bushes along League City Parkway between Butler/Hobbs are being cut/chopped down due to the Kroger shopping center and other businesses going into that area+trees were chopped down when the new turning lanes were placed at the intersection at Hobss/LCP several years and when the YMCA was built. Everytime the trees and bushes start to grow big then they get chopped and discarded for some type of road change. Also, does the Hobbs Rd/LCP really need new signal lights again? These were just replaced several years ago when the new turning lanes created.

I've noticed that the maintenance of many of the parks seems to drop off in the fall, winter, and spring. These are the seasons most wildlife and bird observers are most active (the birds stay inactive as much as we do in the hot, humid summer!). It's sometimes frustrating that the times of year when I'm most using the trails is when they become the most overgrown and not well maintained.

League City really is a great place to live. I am glad I moved here. However, the limited amount of trails for walking and biking has been a problem. To me it it a blemish on an otherwise excellent place to live. I would much rather walk or bike than drive my car to most places. Please, greatly increase the amount of safe walking and biking access throughout the city.

The trails are great. Very useful to be able to stay off the streets for exercise and to get to local small stores and parks. However, some parts of the trails have such poor drainage that the trails are inaccessible for quite a long period of time. Some areas on the west side include: between the water tower and Bay Area Blvd; under Bay Area Blvd near Countryside Park; in Countryside Park between the creek and soccer field; and towards the end of the trail in Magnolia Creek area, between LC Parkway and the end of the trail. Please consider adding a trail connecting Gilmore Elementary to the existing trail that crosses Carefree Dr. I think this would be helpful for children and parents in Rustic Oaks and the adjoining subdivision to walk or ride bikes to school, rather than having to go all the way to BAB and LC Parkway. But if it is developed, please make sure it is raised up enough or allow for proper drainage underneath to make it passable after heavy rains.

Please build an ice arena in League City. We drive an hour just to play hockey.
I would like to see a sidewalk put in from Grissom to Challenger park. I have seen many people walking and or riding bikes along this rode and at time it can be dangerous since it is only a two lane road.

Reallocate monies on a set time line to achieve more and make a no kill shelter a major option as everytime I go I see homeless pets begging for foos

Shade is needed at many parks against the hot sun.

Instead of creating a Municipal Development District to lure businesses here, we should concentrate on funding basic infrastructure and quality outdoor activities for citizens so that businesses know that they can attract and keep good workers in this area should they relocate or start here.

I am disappointed that our city is more concerned with adding additional, or expanding parks, than they are about building a much needed new animal shelter. Anyone who has ever stepped foot in our city’s current animal shelter can see those animals deserve better. The staff and volunteers do a fantastic job with what they have, but there is only so much they can do in their current situation. I strongly support redirecting parks funds and/or an increase in tax to built a new, bigger, and better animal shelter.

We are in desperate need of a new animal shelter. Please do not forget this when allocating funds.

Benchmark Madison, WI and Portland, OR.

We so need an are so our dogs can run without havinhme (63) try to run them. Please, please consider this

The League City Animal Shelter is in desperate need for an improved building for the animals brought in by animal control. The current space is not able to safely, properly, and easily be accessed for the animals by employees and the friends of League City Animal Shelter.

Please build a dog park. It is sorely needed.

None, except League City needs a dog park.

A splash pad would be greatly appreciated and more playgrounds in East League City.

Thank you for soliciting community input on these master plan updates. Please make our community safer to travel in - without a cage of steel around you.

League City should install Turf Fields for soccer, football and lacrosse league play. Other cities throughout the US have done this and it vastly improves quality of youth athletics and home buyer interest.

I feel that challenger park was once a great park. I grew up going there as a child a lot. I have noticed over the past few years with now my children no one has given it the love or the attention it so desperately needs. Like outdated and broken equipment. Can we as a city try to fix that? As well as somewhere in league City install a splash pad for our city? The neighboring cities have one and we all use there's instead. What about MY city?

Add water fountains for humans and pets in parks, trails and community centers

Need dog parks and new animal shelter to help current league city animal shelter

Dog park should be at the top of the list!

Embedded trail lights or solar powered lights like Steven’s Park in Friendswood would be nice, and more recycling receptacles would encourage folks to responsibly dispose of their waste at the parks. There is a lot of trash on the ground at our parks, especially Walter Hall. Emergency phones would be beneficial, as well, that go straight to LCPD, like those they have on college campuses. Upgrading our current parks with splash pads for kids would be great.

Too much money has been spent in past years on facilities that have only served a sliver of our community. Rather than directing those funds toward more cost effective efforts, we’ve spent millions on sports facilities that are only utilized by a relatively small portion of our population. Less costly projects such as improvement of existing park
facilities and the creation of a dog park would be more likely to draw a larger user group and cost less in upkeep. These facilities are generally more attractive to prospective residents--areas that provide natural peace and beauty in the midst of the suburbs--than large sporting facilities that can be seen as having potential for excessive noise and traffic--therefore deterring incoming residents.

We are the only local city with no dog park. We already have 5000000 sportplexes including a skatepark that is 99% unused. Forced on us by a councilman for his son. We don't need anymore sports areas. But we do need the green spaces. I would like to stay a city that doesn't flood due to overbuilding and over concrete.

We really need an off leash dog park.

Dog park please. More dogs then kids I feel

Please build a dog park. League city has many wonderful parks but is lacking a dog park.

It would be great to have received a welcome package informing me of all of the parks, open spaces, and trails that League City currently offers when I moved here about 7 months ago.

Read awhile back that new animal shelter and dog park would be built, but city failed fullfill these desperate needs. Doesn't make sense to take care of other things not in desperate need but not to something city doesn't have and doesn't take care of like the animal shelter. City council needs to figure their priorities out moving forward and stop ignoring or putting them aside.

Instead of spending money on creating new centers let's build a newer, more accessible, animal shelter. That should be tops in this city's list!!

I like to workout outdoors and would love to see League City be more geared for that attraction for adults, while improving the parks we already have for the younger residents

I want to be able to enjoy city facilities and parks with my family.

I would like a running trail that has mile markers

I think there should be some emphasis on an integrated trail system linking league city with the surrounding communities. I live in the lakes in bay colony and there is not safe (sidewalk or trail) access to the rest of league city. I'd live to be able to bike more but this would involve riding on heavily travelled roads with minimal or no shoulder. Sidewalks and trails should be cheap and easy to implement.

More pedestrian friendly roadways especially 518 through the "old" part of the city...would love to walk around the shops and parks there, but too afraid to walk or cross the street with kids there, because cars fly and rarely do the posted limit...maybe a pedestrian bridge or reduced lanes, or something would help. Cute area, but way under utilized due to traffic headaches and crazy speeders. :( maybe an are for food truck days and a big farm market would be great too!

Police presence needs to be increased on current trail system and definitely considered for trail expansion.

Connect all of the sidewalk/jogging paths in the separate neighborhoods. e.g. Hidden Lakes and Tuscan Lakes.

There are not many parks near South Shore Harbour. We have no parks we can comfortably walk to aside from the pocket parks. It would be nice to have a new kid friendly park on or near South Shore Blvd.

Both my sons play ice hockey. With the Clear Lake area rink closed, we now drive to Houston or Sugar Land for them to skate and CCISD no longer has a varsity team. I would love to see anew ice rink in the area.

Our family would love a splash pad or water park with lazy river!

Please give us more bike lanes! We could be so much more active if we could bike places instead of driving. Also interested in a rec center for League City. We have looked into rec centers in neighboring cities because we have none.
Connect the sidewalks, walking/running paths from individual neighborhood development together! e.g. Hidden Lakes to Tuscan Lakes, etc.

The facilities we have are wonderful. We need to focus on traffic issues, drainage, and long-term water needs. Not build a parking garage for a select few.

Partnering with conservation groups like Houston Audubon and Bat conservation societies to build areas where parks can have dual roles as education portals.

Need more youth sports/recreation areas like Hometown Heroes and Sportsplex

More open spaces that are accessible. Please quit building apartments in our city!!!!!!

League City could use a Natatorium that is on par with some of the other like sized communities around Houston (Pearland, Sugarland, Conroe). Facilities in these communities have been a net positive, paying for themselves.

I would love to see cultural events other than country music in our city. There is not much going on other than sports related activities. I have to leave League City to do anything interesting to me.

I would really like a dog park in league city.

I would like to see take over the magnolia creek bridge. For some reason when magnolia creek deeded the trails over to the city they kept the bridge. Don't know the reason. The MC HOA can't maintain it properly and it is not fair to them because it is used by lots of other subdivisions. It is unsafe slippery and a liability.

NO MORE YOUTH FOOTBALL FIELDS. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. They are used for a couple hours after the school day and a couple hours each weekend morning. But never any other times. No shade. Not family friendly. Not nature friendly.

The esplanades along highway 3, between fm518 and Walter Hall park need serious attention and landscaping. They need trees, plants and grass.

The city really could use an indoor pool that could be sanctioned by USA swimming for team use and to hold meets. Would defray cost and being visitors to city for swim meets and water polo tournaments.

None

In light of recent assaults on trail in rustic oaks, more bicycle police would be optimal.

Please put real bathrooms or skate park by baseball complex or allow access to the one with it. The portable potty is nasty. My children like to spend hours there which is hard with out restroom.

I love living in league city and think scenic areas and more public facilities would be amazing.

With better resident facilities and tourism attractions (ice rink, natatorium, focus on history and water activity proximity, etc) more businesses will be attracted to our area which should increase the business tax burden and shift it off residential and hopefully minimize the need to increase taxes to pay for the improvements. Also, many facilities will be fee based for use. I am excited at the possibilities...league city has such potential. I hope our leaders and decision makers can look for examples from other towns that have got it right, rather than focusing so much attention on what other local towns have done. We need to differentiate our town from the others near us so tourists will choose our town rather than others. A last thought. With such a close proximity to Kemah and Nasa, local hotels should offer shuttle services to these attractions, if they don't already.

League city needs more bike lanes for safe travels on all major roads. We also need more sidewalks/walking space for the Historic district/Main street area. You can visible see the "deer trails" that other cyclist walkers have made in the grass along Main street. While I am in support of the new proposed ideas for the League Park expansion I am also in support of keeping a city basketball court in the area and would like to see it moved somewhere nearby if a splash pad goes in it's existing place. I feel it keeps a large group of League City residence engaged in something positive and productive.
I think a splash pad is needed most. Every community around us has one. Many people with small children spend time at parks in other communities due to splash pads. Also, parks that have activities geared for adolescents. They still like to play at the playground, but their type of play is different than smaller children.

Sportsplex is a great park, but increased traffic makes it difficult/time-consuming to reach by car. I would strongly support an additional entrance from Walker St. Hometown Heroes would benefit from some shaded seating areas.

If emergency phones, alarms etc. are not currently present on trails, this should be considered.

Please preserve our unique little town with less growth for the "wrong" type of crime sorts. Land should be for nature, we have so little left. No more concrete please.

The entrance/exit to sportsplex off of league city parkway either needs a traffic light or a cop directing traffic on Saturdays. Eliminating left turns out of the park, but northbound turning into the park is still frustrating and unsafe. Lots of tempers and unsafe situations at that intersection...and you KNOW they're kids in all those vehicles.

Stop spending our tax money on this stuff. Let people that use it pay for it! We have enough park space that isn't used already. Why is Government always looking to spend other people's money?

I would like them to be more active on social media.

I LOVE the trails in my portion of the city. They are in constant use and a fabulous addition to our city!

Easy to see I have high hopes for League City with more parks and many more miles of trails and commonly used destinations connected by multi-use -- hiking/bicycle trails. Pie in the sky? Hope not. Have seen such in another well-zoned city.

Enforcement of rules

We need safe and connected ways to get around LC and in my neighborhood the pedestrian crossings are way too risky and have bee this way, way too long.

It would be great to have some land available & accessible for primitive camping, even for a fee.

League City desperately needs a NICE 4th of July celebration, a real parade (like Friendswood) and fireworks display in the evening. We should coordinate with the county, host it at Walter Hall Park, have food vendors, music and assorted family activities throughout the day, before fireworks in the evening.

Enclosed dog park

Many neighborhoods have trails that only server that neighborhood. The city should focus on connecting these existing trails to each other as well as to schools and parks to make it easier to get places on trails.

I'd like to see exercise classes available for small fees, with good publicity so the community knows what is available. I'd also like to see more preservation of wetland areas rather than developing every square inch. Thank you!

I love our trails and parks :) we would love to have a simple fenced dig park with drinking water and benches. I have to drive to Pearland or Clear Lake Park to let my pups off leash.

There needs to be restrooms built at the new facilities by the fields. Running players all the way to the main building doesn't work. Neither do the disgusting Port O Potties!

Would love a fb page that highlighted community calendar & shared pics from city Parks....

Focus on traffic. Get rid of the downtown project. Focus infrastructure and public safety

My family loves to hike. We also love to off-road on 4-wheelers, and camp. We are big into Geocaching. If there is space for a "state park" like area in our community, near the water, that would be ideal. ;) allow it to be
maintained and secure/safe. Thank you for this survey! Great way to be able to put some input into our community!

none

We need a covered BMX track! It has to be covered or it will not survive the rain and will not be considered for national events. A better skatepark. Mountainbike trails.

Glad to hear about possibility of increased resources to development of safer biking and/or walking trails. Especially down Dickinson to Hometown Heros.

Dog Park @ Newport Park

League City needs to offer more programs for youth and adults with special needs, like those found in Pearland and Pasadena.

West League City has great parks and trails but feel disconnected from rest of League City and under represented in civic facilities.

LC needs more walking places !

More nature trails! Please, please, please!!

I think the city has a sufficient number of parks, walkways, etc. Lately I have been monitoring their use during various times of the day; no one is utilizing these facilities.

yes, I suspect there are other open spaces, Rail (old not used) beds, that could be considered for hike/bike trails. Having the capability of a lengthy trail system connecting various League City/ Clear Lake communities is invaluable. It could certainly help our green index, and get more people exercising.

I would like the city to try and grow the outdoor active lifestyle. More bike and jogging trails up and down a clear creek nature path similar to paths around lake lady bird in Austin. Build something to attract nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts. Let them bring more money to our city.

Take a look at what Naperville and lisle Illinois did with their parks. The Naperville river walk is world class that led to redevelopment of the city center. It start out with resident contributions to redevelopment of a 50 year old quarry park along the du page river and it ended up a major regional park. League city has the clear creek area to work with that could be developed. We are very impressed with the Seabrook developments.

We need a dog park. The closest one is by UHCL

I am worried about the city spending money on anything. The city wasted a lot of money on the River Walk, Field of Dreams (field of nightmares) and other projects that were a complete failure and a waste of money.

Implement the large dog park off walker as was promised before. Having to drive to Bay Area is to far to take dogs to open play areas

League City is teaching citizens to look to the government for everything. This is not America as Founded.

There are no community parks in the Sedona subdivision west of 45 and south of League City Pkway. Landscaping on Hobbs Rd south of League City Pkway. My son lives on Perkins facing the railroad tracks. The area across from there home by the tracks is unattractive...lots of cement there...large trucks park there at night....it was also the staging area for construction vehicles working on 518 a couple of years ago. It cause a lot of late night and early morning noise for those on Perkins. There us also no safe way to get to the city park across the tracks.

I would like to see a dog park in my area. Bay Colony Meadows west.

Amphitheater in our area would be great!

No
No

I've always loved all the parks & trails in League City, but they go unused about 9 months per year because of the heat living here & some people don't know where they are, so re-allocate funds to expand use of indoor facilities, expand the indoor programs & maybe more fun signage locating all the trails, and I'd bet you'd see ALOT more community involvement!

In Westover Park, on LC Pkwy, just east of Westover Park Ave, there is an open space by the row. Would love for this to be developed into a walking track/exercise area with picnic tables, etc. Like a small scale Stevenson park in Friendswood.

There are no natural surface trails for mountain biking and trail running. There is a large community of mountain bikers and trail runners that will volunteer their time and money to build and maintain natural surface trails if we would only be given authorization to build them on city owned land and open greens spaces. There is also a Houston city wide organization that would support the building, maintaining and usage of the trails. I encourage you to visit their website: www.GHORBA.org. The organization sanctions many trails all over the Houston area including Jack Brooks Park in Galveston County. They bring awareness, support and volunteers from all over the city to these trails. A trail sanctioned trail by GHORBA in League City would be a great asset to the city. It would bring great joy to current residence and bring others from surrounding areas to see how great LC is to help spur continued growth. It will drive increased business to local restaurants and local merchants from trail users in the area before and after trail use for the day which will also help the city increase sales tax revenue. Please consider this as a major project and funding for the city as it will be well supported by the community.

Would like to walk from league park to the surrounding shops/restaurants safely (too much speeding & wrecks)

Thank you for putting out this survey! I hope you'll continue to ask for feedback. For me, the inability to get anywhere on a bicycle without going on high-speed/high-traffic roads such as FM-518 is the overriding priority. I'd also really like to see some of the right-of-way areas get planted in native wildflowers and things - in such a way that they would still be accessible as needed for utility companies and so on, but that they could serve a purpose to provide wildlife habitat. I'd especially like to see some monarch butterfly habitat in the city!

more offroad trails

I am not for tax increases to support additional open space, parks, trails, recreational facilities, bike trails or recreational programs.

Taxes and fees for nature/open space, not and rec centers.

Please add some dog parks to the city! We live in Victory Lakes, our park needs help/improvement!!!!! Please help!

I feel very strongly that League City should create a dog park. The dog park at Bay Area Park serves as an excellent example. They used existing, little-used park space for the dog space conversion. The addition of water stations, separate fenced for large and small dogs, and open, cleanup shower stalls makes this space ideal for dog-loving citizens. In addition, League City is missing an outdoor amphitheater to accommodate the arts. A city of this size is missing venues to support art and entertainment events. An arboretum along Clear Creek would enhance our city and draw visitors to it.

I would like to see more space in our parks used for special events such as a farmers markets, art & craft fairs, concerts etc. We need more cultural events and activities. League City is a cultural waste land. My wife and I always drive up to Houston or other cities to enjoy these type of activities.

looking for a good place to fish!

League Park is heavily used and abused. Have some stricter rental rules, especially on clean up, and allocate more funds to maintainence.
We would greatly appreciate and enjoy having a dog park. Have been told that a few years ago a dog park was in the offing, however, the $50k originally allocated was used in another area. At this point, the only option we have is to go to Bay Area Park (by Armand Bayou). This is a 22 mile round trip. We have to go because we have a very energetic dog and there isn’t anywhere close by that we can let her off leash to run. We discuss this with other dog owners when we go to that park, and they too agree: LC needs a dog park. Thank you for any consideration you can give to this.

Johnson Space Center is a MAJOR employer for League City residents. Please help provide a safe way to bicycle to work!!! Hwy 270 is VERY dangerous and has no shoulder. Hwy 3 is better in terms of shoulder, but the cars move fast on that road. A protected bike lane (physically separated/block ed from the main roadway) would be a great solution on either of these main corridors. Access to these main corridors is also important. Much of 518 and parts of 96 have no shoulder, forcing cyclists to take up a main lane of traffic during rush hour. Top priority should be building safe bicycle lanes/paths around the city (and NOT just sidewalks, as it's technically illegal to bike on the sidewalk). Also, please consider that the needs of joggers and bicyclists are different - many cyclists are interested in lanes/paths that go somewhere (work, grocery store, etc.), while runners are interested in scenic, winding loops. Too often the city attempts to build "hike/bike trails", which likely address the needs of families looking to cycle a path "for fun", but are not sufficient as a transportation corridor. As both a jogger and a bicyclist, I appreciate and use both types of trails. I'm generally satisfied with the available running trails in the area, but bicycle routes need to be addressed.

To develop a park like Houston's Memorial Park, could be a HUGE boost to League City and set us apart from other cities!

Fire the city manager

Walking trails should be extra wide to accommodate both walkers and bicycles

I would like to see the 16 acre open space in Westover park become a park / open space as was promised when I bought over 8 years ago. It has now become an eyesore and is being used as a dumping area for junk dug up around League City (Concrete, asphalt, rebar, trash) I have voluntarily maintained a large area between the houses and the land for 8 years and find it more and more difficult when concrete, asphalt are dumped. I have tore up two riding mowers over the years when I hit a "surprise"

Other cities have natural unimproved land designated for wildlife. This helps to give wildlife a Home and prevent wild animals from moving in to neighborhoods thereby keeping our children and pets safe

If you are spending money on pouring concrete trails spend the money for proper drainage

League City seems to care more about being able to tax a property versus providing activities and usage areas for residents. Lighthouse Island would make a killer public use facility with an amphitheater, water front park, etc. Imagine watching 4th of July fireworks over the water. Imagine water front concerts. Food truck fridays along a waterfront boardwalk.

I would love to be able to bike safely in most parts of town and would enjoy more nature trails.

Not much is in existence on the south west side of the city. We have lived in Brittany Lakes and Sedona, and there are no city parks or services close in regards to little kids (they can’t bike far, and biking with a 4 year old across 45 is just not an option for us).

South shore harbor neighborhood park is nice and has some shade but we do need a splash pad and dog park and some walking trails. Pool could use some updating as well.

no

League City needs an ice rink. There are none in the county presently. People need a place to play ice skate, figure skate, and play hockey.
We have enough drive in corner stores, car washes and storage buildings! Don't let League City become too cluttered with buildings! We need more restaurants!

Is this survey part of that million dollars someone in our city government wanted to waste on city dev. Research?

League City needs multiple off leash dog parks 🐶🐶

I would love to see more "covered" seating and playing areas in locations that have playgrounds. League City summer heat limits access to some parks because there are minimum covered areas.

We need space for wildlife. Migrating birds need a spot to rest. Deer need areas to roam. Coyotes need natural areas with food sources so they don't wander the utility easements and prey on our pets. I work in houston, but live out her because I like having natural space around - not wall to wall development and suburban blight. We need to retain natural spaces and maintain the charming characteristics of our city and not become generic suburban sprawl.

An ice rink is high on my list of priorities.

Please consider a park like Bay Area park with dog park, splash pad, large pavilion with fans, and please consider amphitheater for concert events on south side of town which could bring in Galveston and lots of south side paying customers for event like Cynthia woods Mitchell pavillion

I would like to see a trail on the electrical high line easement that runs through Cedar Landing and connects to numerous neighborhoods to the west, connecting to other trails in Rustic Oaks, Countryside, etc.

We have a lot of natural beauty which we must preserve. If parks are increased, improved, or acquired through taxation, it is an important part of our quality of life and makes us even more of an exemplary community!

Do not raise taxes

Bayridge

I would like to see an Ice Rink in the community

#leaguecityproud let's keep league city safe and support our first responders more. Lower taxes and spend more money on our museums to help restore our history.

I moved to League City in 1980 with my family and wish we could have kept the small town feel. I moved my family to South Shore Harbour, behind the gates to help insulate my kids from the crime and traffic that now plagues much of our area. The zoning and building of all of the apartment complexes have deteriorated our once great schools. My tax dollars go to pay for the education of families that pay zero in property tax to help with funding.

We would like a dog park!!

Mangolia Creek just off 96 as it continues under 518 and on is a great example of how canals can evolve into streams. The canals in the area along back side of Westover Park starting at Maple Leaf blvd. can also be made into trails. The preservation of open space around it and the trails are very enjoyable.

Safety! Monitored with cameras.

An ice rink is very important to my family.

More publicity needs to be made for these things.

NO NEW TAXES AND REDUCE SENIORS TAXES

The seniors program at Home Town Heroes Park and LC in general is outstanding. Thank you for subsidizing quality facilities and activities for older citizens. It encourages physical and emotional health which raises the quality of life for all and is just a lot of fun. Lydia's staff and class leaders are wonderful. You can't beat the price! Thank you also for including area seniors for such a reasonable price. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.
Ice rink so kids in the south can experience winter sports

We need a dog park. Every decent town of comparable size has one.

I do not oppose all that is presented, but, I do not want my taxes to increase to achieve all the city has placed before the council. Do what can be done with out a tax increase..

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no

Would very much love to see a ice skating rink back in the league city area

Consider each area of LC differently. I live in section D of your map and here the neighborhoods are not connected. Be nice to connect neighborhoods so kids can ride to friend's homes. Be nice for kids to ride to the g-store. In this area too, there are no sidewalks on 96 like on the west side of 45. That would be awesome since people could get around more and not feel so isolated.

Sidewalks along 270 would make this road safer for walkers and bike riders. People now walk or bike in the turning lane which is unsafe.

there should be more "NO PARKING, ANY TIME" signs along all Parks streets, in addition; it should enforced by LCPD for all including City Vehicles.

Maintaining the City Services infrastructure has priority over everything in this survey. I.e. Take care of business before expanding to pleasure with limited City funds.

Very very impressed with League City parks department! Helpful, friendly staff, good programs, and nice facilities. Keep up the good work!

Would love to see an ice rink!

A splash pad and community park for young children.

Increase number of activities and rec programs for adults in the evenings. Expand options, classes, hours, days, etc. Allow citizens to use pools May thru Oct.

I would place high importance along with my family and friends to have an ice rink available in the area. I had previously traveled for my son’s hockey and spent money at local restaurants and stores when Space City was open. Since it has closed, I and my family/friends have had a significant decrease in the amount of time and money spent in League City and surrounding areas.

I live in Sedona and we would love a neighborhood park or community park within walking distance to us.

N/A

I want an outdoor theater

There needs to be more parks and toddler and/or growing family playgrounds by Hidden Lakes. Not much in this area other than grocery stores and fast food. Love an area with a playground as the center and family friendly restaurants shopping and open space.

The community really needs an Ice Rink (Very Important)

I would like to see more sidewalks and walking / biking trails

I'm new to Texas so I'm looking forward to visiting League City and the trail system as well if an ice rink were built I look forward to visiting and having lunch, dinner etc... after skating in the community.

I would love to have an ice rink back on the south east side of Houston!

WE NEED A DOG PARK!!!!!!

Thank you for helping out with League City Skatepark guys!
Lights at the skatepark, that is all.

A local Ice skating rink would be economically beneficial to the area and serve the several thousand in the area involved in ice sports.

The City needs a more in-depth plan regarding expansion. They are growing to much to quickly. Divorcing their future for the present.

What ever happened to the dog park we approved by well over 80%?

The city is growing so quickly. There are so many kids and youth sports leagues. There are sports parks for baseball and soccer. It would be nice to have facilities for football. It would also be nice if there were clean accessible restrooms at the larger parks.

Since League City is so eager to spend money, renovate and improve what we already have and quit trying to keep up with the Jones's

Thank you for asking!

The idea that citizens in this climate will use a trail system to hike or bike to dine, shop or visit is simple poorly constructed. An individual would be too hot and smell for the vast majority of the year. The hike and bike trails are recreational facilities and nothing more. Sorry, but Pearland has tried to encourage biking to work and requires a bike rack for all new commercial developments. These are a waste of money as I have never seen one bike attached to these racks which cost a lot of money to install and pollution to manufacture.

No

Stop allowing apartment complexes and large scale businesses access to purchasing all green space and open space in the city. As an individual who had been employed by a city that has continuously declined I know for a fact each of these brings crime and makes the city ugly.

I would love to see a park in Sedona. I was told the land in part of the subdivision was owned by the city for a oark. I was also told the funds were misspent. The land is supposed to be at Butler where it dead ends. That would be a great place for a city park.

Some of the city has been kept "aesthetically pleasing" while others have been allowed to over develop and have businesses right in residents backyards. Maybe further city wide planning could ensure that future residential developments have a buffer of some sort from business. I personally don't care for fast food restaurants in my backyard.

Make the sidewalks bigger for golf carts. Also helps when several people are using sidewalks.

We have no senior transportation program like surrounding smaller cities. There is grant money available.

Quit building Kroger's and HEB's on every open piece of land. Quit raising property taxes just because people all of a sudden want to live here. Make trails and parks more available. Maybe if people were more influenced to bike and walk, traffic wouldn't always be such a pain in the ass around here.

Sedona needs a park!

When you say OPEN SPACE I hope you are meaning wooded areas too.

This survey assumes you are a relatively new to League City and may have selected your home location based upon the amenities. What is so often forgotten are the original residents of LC who were here before the city was incorporated. Their home location has no connection with any amenities. Most of these same people would like improved drainage, utility upgrades and curbed and guttered streets before the constant brainstorming for new leisure facilities. Very little attention is given to areas within the city that are largely unchanged from the 50's and 60's. LC's focus seems to primarily focus on what the relative newcomers want. Of course, they are in the majority now. The people in older parts of town who voted for LC incorporation are ignored.
I am not in favor of bike lanes on the roads. Traffic is very congested and I think it is dangerous.

I think it is nice that League City is planning for this but how about fixing the current traffic congestion first? It is pretty sad that it can take up to 40 minutes to cross from one side of 45 to the Kemah side of league city! Our traffic lights suck and it is very frustrating sitting in traffic!

I really like what you have done on the east side of Hwy. 45 you can ride for a long time over long distances. I don't like having to cross Hwy. 45 on my bike to get there it makes me nervous the traffic is so heavy.

Southeast Houston lost their ice rink relatively recently. It would be incredible (very important) to get a new one in the area. In our climate, it offers a fitness and team sport option for those who cannot be outdoors in the summer. Due to the uniqueness of the facility, it would bring people from all over Houston to the area, which benefits League City businesses.

Challenger 7 Park is a Dangerous Place that is not supported by our local PD. I called 911 for some male proposition for sex confrontations and HPD showed. No one knew it was a League City Park.

Again I would reiterate the interest in an ice skating / ice hockey facility in the League City area - that would complement the existing as well as planned sports and recreational facilities and venues. Demand is here in the area, and there are potential skaters and hockey players who currently access the Sugar Land facility who would move immediately to a new League City ice arena.

Please bring back the Ice Rink!

When our oldest played sports at Chester Davis sports plex it seemed like league city could use another baseball/sports plex. Field use was tight and parking could be hard.

Splash pad would be nice

I think we have ample parks in League City to serve our community. I feel we need to protect our wildlife especially along the creek areas. I would not be opposed to a dog park. I feel most people are not aware of all of the park and recreational areas we have in League City. Maintaining what we have in a pristine condition rather than building new parks are most important in my opinion.

The programs I have participated in have been top notch'

Before we go forward with new projects, let’s not neglect the city’s existing problems. All League City streets need to have shoulders and curbs, and drainage canals need to be improved. Roadside ditches, ESPECIALLY those with no curbs are extremely dangerous, bad for property values and a liability to the city. They need to be replaced with regular storm drainage sewers. For example, North Kansas Avenue is an extremely dangerous street due to its narrow road with no shoulder or raised curb. I shudder to think of how dangerous it would be to drive on it after a rain that fills the ditch up to the roadway leaving drivers no visible edge of the street, and once the edge on either side is crossed, a car would plunge into the ditch. Even without rising water, a slight veer from the road, such as to avoid a large vehicle or one coming down the middle of the road, could lead to disaster. Even a small improvement such as adding raised curbs to all streets along ditches should be an extremely high priority with League City for basic safety reasons. A raised curb would act as an indicator to drivers that they are too close to the edge of the road and are in danger of driving off of it. Raised curbs would indicate the road's edge in dark or rainy conditions. I'm AMAZED that League City has such dangerous roads as North Kansas Street and others. I would support a tax increase to make the streets safer. Anyone who thinks this is not important because they have been lucky so far, should picture how they would feel about the streets if their driving age children or elderly family members were driving along them. The steep ditches on North Kansas could easily flip a car on its side. Let’s fix safety problems before we even consider adding parks, trails, and increasing traffic to our city. Don’t neglect the city we have while we consider new projects.

I think that we need more OPEN areas where lots of people can gather for events and get together. I like the idea of that Evening in the Park thing that is going to happen, but I would like to see something like that happen in a place like Challenger Park or Walter Hall....or at Hometown Heroes would be perfect. I love the "small downtown" and having things there, but I think we need to go bigger and get more unity in the community.
League City needs an Ice Skating Stadium.

Buy commercial space by parks and keep leases with select vendors to pay for park infrastructure and maintenance. Partner with power and pipeline easements to have them install trails and lights first before connecting with tax payer money. Find areas on all sides of town and encourage nightlife instead of discouraging it. East side, central and west side. Get young people on 4B and other boards. The old dudes gotta go. Find a new parks director with new fresh ideas. I drive to Galveston with my family to enjoy nature, restaurants and nightlife. League City has absolutely nothing to offer. Kansas street was the first I-45 with a fairy and brick plant when this was called Butler Ranch. That's our history but you miss the story completely. Should be a park with a Huck Finn type statue showing what was for everyone to see. My God man, step it up!

Leave League Park just as it is!!!

Please build an ice rink, as there are none in the area and it would bring city revenue that would be tremendous for the area. Having the only ice rink in the area would really be beneficial to our area, and to the city of League City!

I would love for League City to bring an Ice Rink back to our area for skating and hockey.

Would love to see the unused land stay unused or a park. No more homes, apartments or buildings of any type. Save the green spaces!

The parks need to be an organic part of what we are doing and our general family life. It’s a fact of the working life that most of the spaces will be used more on the weekend than other times. Don’t try to reinvent League City. Just try to service who we are and who we are growing to be.

Walter Hall park needs better boat ramp. Home town heroes park play ground looks cool but isn't practical.

Need an ice rink for hockey and figure skating

Thanks for caring!

I think that some of the landmarks in old League City should be kept in the design, the gazebo, the water fountain, the old book store, old buildings if cost effective should be redone as to keep the historic charm of our little town

Youth programs are way too expensive. Camp by the Creek is priced higher than regular summer daycares. There should be scholarship/merit based programs for the lower income bracket families. Hometown Hero's cost the taxpayers quite a bit of money, and always seems to be closed for small groups, such as the swim team.

DOG PARKS... it is way past time. Use the spaces we have...and just get it done. Stop the waiting.

Again I think there could be a partnership possibility to construct a quality outdoor pool which allows for true competitive opportunities for our kids

We need an ice rink from hockey and figure skating since space city ice closed everyone from Pearland, Friendswood, League city, Seabrook Kemah Santa Fe Texas city Galveston and surround areas are driving to Sugarland and Sharpstown on 59

Would like to see a community ice rink. We need a dog park.

More walking and biking trails running along power-line easements and along Clear Creek.

Ice Rink

I am retired and live in Bay Colony. I have respiratory issues so outside activities are not something I support or would use. Being retired, I am for keeping the taxes low.

We need a new animal control facility first!

Need Ice Skating Rink
I do not believe we need any more sports complex. Having nice shaded areas to walk or bike would be really great for seniors.

Building an ice skating rink would help bring the community together

Please no more tax increases for this, although the galveston county claims they didn’t raise taxes they did raise home values to make up for that which was inappropriate.

We would love to have an indoor Ice Rink that hosts figure skating and hockey programs. There are a lot of figure skaters and hockey players who have to travel out of town to Sugar Land, Willowbrook, or Sharpstown which is a loss of income for League City. There is a huge group of adult hockey players that are so committed to the sport that they travel an hour away and an hour back late at night just to play. Please make an indoor ice rink here in League City so that the ones who wish to skate have the ability to do so here in their hometown. There are also people from Galveston who travel to play hockey! We used to hold hockey and figure skating tournaments at Space City Ice Station and would get everyone from Louisiana to other states around Texas coming in to participate. So it is not just the League City population who desperately need an ice rink but all over as well. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please make an indoor ice rink.

The greater Houston area lacks the recreational ice facilities present in other large cities, and all of the existing rinks are commercially run. While this is not specifically a League City issue, ice sports are not being supported by any of our cities or counties are actively supporting activities like hockey, figure skating, and curling the way they do other sports.

An ice rink does not only engage entire communities but can double as an emergency center!! Nice and cool!!!

This side of town really needs an ice rink. We have multiple people who drive 45 minutes plus to skate in sharps town several times a week between hockey, figure skating and open skate. It would really be more convenient to have this closer to home.

With the recent loss of Space City Ice Station off El Dorado Blvd., numerous League City residents and those of surrounding cities and towns do not have access to an Ice Skating facility without driving more than 45 minutes across Houston. League City would be an excellent, centralized location in which to replace this loss and provide a destination for families who feel this loss in both finances and time. This would in turn bring increased attendance and revenue to League City’s recreation facilities.

The Oaks of Clear Creek is fortunate to have an on-site elementary school. Unfortunately, only students of the immediate neighborhood can access the school safely by foot or bike because there are no sidewalks or trails connecting the neighborhood to the surrounding environs. Access from TOCC to anywhere by foot or bike requires traveling busy, dangerous thoroughfares (like Highway 3 and Highway 96) or cutting through overgrown, desolate sections of field under the power lines that run behind the neighborhood. I’ve lived in my neighborhood for 20 years and I love it, but the connectivity I see in other parts of League City leave me feeling shortchanged as a longtime resident.

Please bring an Ice Rink to league city

We need an ice rink

I think adding an ice rink in League City would be great. A lot of area high schools play ice hockey and do not have facilities to practice in nearby. They are having to drive at least 45 minutes away to practice. Also, there are a lot of recreational teams in the area that could benefit from an ice rink in League City.

Really would like a to see a new ice rink - this area continues to grow in population, for sure interest in hockey has increased so much over past years.

ICE RINK PLEASE

Overall they are pretty good except for teens and also middle aged people. These age groups get lost in the mix. Gaining things like Farmers markets, craft shows, or even car shows for the middle aged people would make things
more fun. The teens do not have many resources or activities to do in League City, thus they have to go to other communities for their activities or leisure time. Most teens do not have cars and the main road ways do not have sidewalks for them to walk on. Including more features for these age groups really helps build sense of community.

An Ice rink would be wonderful for the area.

We lost a valued recreational facility when the Space City skating rink closed down. It benefited figure skaters, hockey players, public skaters, curlers and party goers. We now must fight traffic to go to Houston for inferior and expensive replacement activities.

Love the Hometown Heros facilities and activities offered. Our area desperately needs an ice rink. Since Space City Ice closed in 10/14, the access to an ice rink for recreation is very poor as no ice is within 35 plus miles. We have the 4th largest city and only 5 sheets of ice available to all in the area. Sugarland Ice was out of order recently which meant that Houston lost 1/2 of all ice rinks available if you include the closing of Space City ice. (The Galleria ice sheet is not large enough for ice hockey.) Please consider including an ice rink in your plans as it is a wonderful community activity for families of League City and the surrounding area.

Build an Ice Rink!

Including an ice rink in the plans for League City would serve the community in a way that is not currently met for the entire region south of 610. It would bring numerous people from this region to League City for ice-related events.

Hockey Rink

Really could use a ice rink in town. Sorely needed

We are most interested in having an ice rink. Between Galveston and Houston, there are NO ice skating facilities since the Friendswood (Space City Ice Arena) rink closed. We are fairly certain it would be supported by a great number of people who currently have to drive to Houston or Sugarland in order to play hockey, figure skate, or recreational skating.

Would LOVE to have an ice skating facility - would offer a whole new option for our community

Ice rink

We need an ice rink to have a nice cool sport for the hot summers. We need ice hockey and figure skating for all of south Houston

Ice Rink. This side of Houston lost a very important sports facility for its surrounding communities when Space City Ice Station shut its doors. Numerous families were forced to quit their on ice activities due to the inconvenient locations of the remaining rinks. PLEASE help us offer another form of exercise and recreation for our communities in Southeast Houston!!

An indoor ice rink would fill the gap left when Space City Ice closed. There is a high demand for year round ice for public skate, ice skates and hockey players. In the hot Texas summers, an ice rink is the perfect place to get away from the heat. It's also a unique place for birthday parties and school field trips.

When the Space City Ice Rink closed down a few years ago, it left a LOT of people hurting for a nearby rink to play at. Personally, I live in Pasadena and drive to Sugarland to play ice hockey. It would be AWESOME if League City opened up an ice rink to serve the southwest Houston area!!

A municipal ice rink would increase revenue for area businesses as it would give more families reasons to come to League City. It would present more opportunities for League City residents to be active as well as activities for children to keep them busy and out of trouble. It would also provide more jobs for the area. If properly managed and maintained, the rink could be self-sufficient financially and would not require financial support from the city.

Add an ice rink
build an ice rink

Add ice skating rink

Ice rink for hockey, figure skating, curling, broom ball, recreation and other community programs. Very important to me.

Please add an ice rink! I personally know hundreds of people that would use it multiple times/week. Besides being an ice hockey player in two leagues plus tournaments, I am also a coach and a referee.

We used to have an ice rink in our area but now the closest ice rink on the other side of Houston. There are many people from our part of town who are participating in ice rink activities across town and a local ice rink might do well.

I think League City is overall doing a great job. There have been many trails added in my area, and I would like to see more. The usage increased dramatically when they were built, based on my observation. Also, the parking and traffic patterns at League City Sportsplex need attention. Hometown Heroes is a much better experience, and the recent addition of parking was a good move.

Ice rink

I love the trails, and would like to see more of them developed throughout League City.

Freindswoods Ice rink closed sending the high school players to Sugaralnd. There are sufficient youth and adults that would use for the facility and it could pay for itself.

WE NEED AN ICE RINK IN LEAGUE CITY: We lost a huge asset when the Space City Ice Rink closed a few years ago. It was a great place for families to enjoy year-round. Whether they were involved in the sports activities, or just using it for recreation, it served as a wonderful gathering place for friends & family, and to meet new friends. It was *wonderful*. Ice skating is fantastic exercise and is great for overall skill-building whether you’re 3 years old, or *gulp* 103 years old! Figure skating and ice hockey alike are enjoyed by people of passion and through these sports, a true community is built. We need this in League City; it’s a great place to live, and would be an even better place to play if we had an ice rink! PLEASE build an Ice Skating Rink (allow a private venture)! When we lost ours in Clear Lake, HUNDREDS of children and an almost equal number of adults who enjoy ice sports year-round were displaced! It is very important! Houston has lost half of its facilities over the past few years, now we have to travel an hour or more to enjoy the sports we have for many years. If we have a rink down here, it will keep people from LEAVING to spend their money in other parts of Houston! Literally hundreds of parents leave League City EACH DAY to spend their money elsewhere so that their children can keep skating. Why not bring that revenue to LC? The rink supported kids from 3 years old to 90+! Ice Hockey, Figure Skating, Curling, not to mention the purely recreational aspect. WE NEED THIS

Would like to see an Ice Rink.

After Space City Ice Station closed down, my son and I now have to drive to the Sharpstown area in Houston to play ice hockey in our adult league. We would really like to see a hockey rink in League City.

recreational facilities should include an ice rink. There are hundreds of people who don’t have a place to skate within an hour’s drive, and many more would participate.

An Ice Rink is not on this list and should be. Southeast Houston no longer has an Ice Rink and League City is the ideal place for one. League City should add an Ice Rink by Big League Dreams or the Sportsplex.

Want an Ice Rink, Very Important!

Would play in rec league hockey in local rink at minimum 1x / week, more if it’s located close to Chester Davis sportsplex

Want an Ice Rink, Very Important!

League City need an ice rink.
Please consider an ice rink. The Houston metro area has a large hockey and figure skating population that will only continue to grow.

Update transportation infrastructure for cycling to allow residential neighborhoods to connect with libraries, schools, workplaces, and retail shops.

We have lived here 15 years and have been pleased with existing resources, now that the population has increased we would enjoy more parks and need more space for sports fields/leagues. The field situation is needs help asap, Trails should connect across the city in as many places as possible

We would love a community park put in that large space between Westover Park and Magnolia neighborhood on 96/LC Parkway!

I appreciate you offering them in League City, and your willingness to maintain upkeep!

Tails should be more nature orientated, not close to high traffic areas.

Some current parks/facilities have become so neglected they are hardly used at all. I would like to see those areas cleaned up and possibly repurposed. A park doesn't haven't to stay a park it can be repurposed into either a different kind of park, open area or something completely different. Some other parks have become nothing but a meeting place for unmentionable activities due to lack of authority presence. Appropriate levels of patrolling in our public areas by some type of authority need to be considered in these proposals and plans

More parks, bike trails and a splash pad on west side of league city please.

Myself and many others in my neighborhood feel that the cow pasture/greenspace on maple leaf drive should be preserved and not made into more homes or shopping centers. We also love the rural feel of league city down 518 main st. and hope this is something that will stay.

More open/green space and less development/sprawl

Would love to see more natural open space areas, wild life habitats etc. with trails. It's wonderful to escape the hustle bustle ;)

What are the city plans for the land between Westover park and magnolia creek? Currently being used as city dumping grounds? People want to know now.

Need more attention paid to west side of I-45

Need more OFF road bike trails. High % work at JSC & we cant bike to work safely. Kids walk on 518 without a sidewalk, NOT safe!

It's hard to make League City feel like we're running trails outside of Austin. This is due mostly to environment. Even though there are a number of parks, none of which that I've been to here have had a feel like we're far enough removed from residential areas to give the same feeling of which you get from a trail in the hill country.

I'm fine with it as long as it doesn't increase are taxes that are already to expensive.

I think that there needs to be a facility for activities slated for the west side of league city.

Keep open spaces open - like the one off 96 just east of Westover Park. That land should remain open - could be athletic fields, nature preserve, community park...

very concerned with open space around Tallow Forest St. and potential for making street a through-way. doing so would defeat the reason most residents chose the location to live; country living close to a city.

League City is off to a great start in improving all of these. There should be more information available to the community. For instance, it's hard to find a good map for the trails. An app would be great that could be used on a phone to follow or determine where the trails and parks are when you're riding or walking.
We really have a lot going on in League City so not a lot needed to add with the exception of bike lanes, dog parks and possibly purchasing or using more land for walking, jogging trails....

n/a

It scares me that League City is spending money on the research for this. I think of how much money was spent on researching the river walk on Clear Creek and the money wasted on Field of Dreams.

The city needs to be a leader in the Bay Area for multi-use paths and bike lanes. It is sad that many other communities in the area are many years ahead of us. No new road should be built without proper vulnerable road user protections and with adjacent multi-user paths.

Please build a dog park!!!!!

I would like big paved trails/roads to ride road bicycle on to get off the streets more

Please consider talking with neighborhoods to get water fountains installed outside their gates, country side south, Mag Creek, etc. also get recycle bins back at sports plex... thanks for your time and serving our community :)

The city is not responsible for meeting the needs of residents where private enterprise already exists, for example, fitness facilities. Instead, the city should provide incentives for private business to provide community areas for fitness and recreation within their existing facilities at low cost to the surrounding neighborhoods. This design keeps the tax burden low and provides an opportunity for businesses to engage residents in higher value paying services in which they specialize. Government - at all levels - should not be providing services that can be provided by business in a more competitive, cost effective manner. Moreover, businesses can adapt far more quickly to changing demographics than government.

Build city funded parks on the west side of the city (Westover Park). We are not second class citizens. The east side has sport complexes, city swimming pools, library, and many parks. we have nothing within a 15 minute walk or bike ride.

city should use bayous and canals to develop walk and bike paths like at Countryside and Magnolia. In other cities I have seen the use of these areas to be used as mini parks (college station) like the area by Jack in the box at 518&270 the new bike path by Kroger could go into this mini park and go to heritage park or under 270 and out to the wildlife bird watching area or the boat landing area or along clear creek if you can get a path along the water and follow all the way up to Countryside and then to all along the westside (over landing blvd to Columbia) and back to the east side follow the ditches to home town park or east to other parks,

Provide necessities such as restrooms in the design of facilities to allow those that use them can stay for extended periods of time. High temperatures for the region and need to stay hydrated creates a need for restrooms everywhere.

Please continue the great work on local hike and bike paths on and off road. We need to be a leader in the area to attract growth, a better economy, events and more business.

Parks and habitat preservation are important. Development in League City seems out of control. More open space should be preserved.

Perhaps I just do not know where to find the information about what League City has to offer. Providing residents with a website link or publishing a mail out which lists the city’s open spaces, parks, trails, recreational facilities and programs, with a Key to each location indicating where each is located; what each has to offer, whether it is free or fee-based, and any other details which might help residents better understand what is currently available.

I am opposed to the trails concept. It opens neighborhoods to unknowns who may be up to no good. I live in a gated community and I do not want just anyone being able to walk thru my neighborhood.

It would be nice if we could connect all the parks along Clear Creek.
It bothers me that the city hired a firm to study if we need new parks. I remember how the city spent millions on the river walk that never came to be. The city also wasted money on Field of Dreams (nightmares for taxpayers) and it was unsuccessful. As a tax paying citizen, it really irritates me when our city wastes money!!

Not having dog parks drives our residents to other communities for that service. As a result, monies are spent in those communities that we could keep here in League City. As new neighborhoods are developed the yards continue to get smaller and smaller taking away from the space dogs should have to run.

We need a Dog Park

Add requirements to the new developments, make the features we want built into the expansion versus having to retroactively rebuild and squeeze in facilities. Plan from the outset

Citizens have wanted a dog park.

The downtown area is a joke. Even if yall try to do something nice you drive past it and there are embarrassing buildings.

I personally do not mind bicycles sharing the road, but I know others do. Also, it can be dangerous for bicyclists who get caught in te rain, with the only option of riding with traffic. Hike and bike trails could connect people to more things, in a safer manner.

LC needs Mountain bike, dirt-bike, ATV, off-road trails/tracks

Enough sports complexes & Rex centers!

No

I am so proud to live in a city that prioritizes natural spaces and community input! Keep up the great work.

Please focus on youth sports programs. This is what brings in families and keeps high-end housing high-end. League City not being a part of Space City Football Club was a large factor in our decision to build in League City vs. Friendswood or other communities. Additional facilities will help alleviate traffic/parking issues with these programs.

Why all the interest in parks and bike and walking trails? Build a new library!

**Homeowners Association Membership and Facilities (Q26-27)**

The last topic, other than basic demographics covered by the survey was whether the respondents lived in a neighborhood with a homeowners association (HOA) and, if so, whether the HOA had park and recreation facilities that were used by the respondent.
The vast majority of respondents are members of an HOA.

Of the respondents who are HOA members, nearly three quarters have access to HOA-provided recreational facilities and use them. Interestingly, these HOA-related results are nearly identical to those from the 2006 survey.