

# Executive Summary

## Why the Plan was Developed

The Dundee Township Park District has experienced tremendous population growth in recent years. As greater numbers of residents enjoy the Park District's open space assets, there has been increased pressure on existing parks, recreation facilities and programs. Based on the current financial position and available Build America Bonds, the Park District has an opportunity to fund new capital improvements. Historically, the Park District staff has performed the "nuts and bolts" planning as part of their yearly operations. The Park District wishes to compile all of the operational tools prepared to date, formally build consensus, and plan for the orderly expenditure of these funds. To meet the current and anticipated demands, and carry out its mission of providing quality park areas, facilities and services for the present and future benefit and enjoyment of their community, the Dundee Township Park District commissioned Hitchcock Design Group to create a Comprehensive Park Analysis Plan that will serve as a development guide to the Park District for the next ten years. The plan:

- Identifies and assesses recreational needs
- Provides recommendations
- Provides implementation and funding action plans

## Goals of the Process

During the early stages of the planning process, the following goals were identified:

- Interpret the community survey
- Utilize the existing park inventory provided by the Dundee Township Park District
- Determine what improvements, changes or additions should be made to existing parks
- Identify potential planning areas for new park opportunities
- Develop a prioritized list of goals, targeting an initial ten-year assimilation period

## Planning Process

The planning process began in January 2010. A task force was assembled to work directly with Hitchcock Design Group to provide background information and direction. Hitchcock Design Group completed a tour of the Park District's land holdings and facilities. A supplemental inventory of each park site was provided by Park District staff. Once the existing open space land holdings were reviewed, input on the issues and needs were gathered from the Park District Board of Commissioners, task force, staff and the community. The key findings from the input phase, along with the analysis of the Park District's land holdings and facilities helped determine the master plan recommendations and prioritize the actions items.

## How the Document Should be Used

This master plan document should be used as a guide for development by the Park District's staff and Board of Commissioners to implement the primary action items over the next ten years. The document should be reviewed on an annual basis and modified as appropriate. The plan should be thought of as a working list and items should be checked off as they are completed.

# Chapter Five - Implementation Guideline

## Planning Actions for Next Ten Years

This chapter lists the specific action items identified in the plan recommendations from Chapter Four. These items have been prioritized and targeted for action over the next ten years. These items should be used as a guideline and reviewed each year and adjusted as needed to react to changes within the community, funding opportunities, and other Park District needs.

### 2010-2011 Action Items

- Adopt Districtwide Comprehensive Park Analysis Plan
- Develop financial plan for capital acquisition and capital replacement
- Prepare Grant Strategy for the Westside Recreation Center
- Design Westside Recreation Center
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

### 2011-2012 Action Items

- Develop park amenity design prototype for each park classification
- Negotiate Agreement for Meadowdale Park support amenities
- Prepare Grant Strategy for the Brunner Property
- Design the Brunner Property
- Design Meadowdale Park support amenities including Skate Park
- Construct Westside Recreation Center
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan
- Explore new park opportunities for Planning Areas 17 and 21
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

### 2012-2013 Action Items

- Construct Brunner Property Phase I
- Construct Meadowdale Park support amenities including Skate Park
- Prepare Grant Strategy for Kemper Park
- Design Kemper Park
- Prepare Grant Strategy for Trail A
- Design Trail A
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan, Update
- Explore new park opportunities for Planning Areas 17 and 21
- Joint plan Wynnfield Park with Algonquin
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

### **2013-2014 Action Items**

- Prepare Grant Strategy for Bartels Property
- Design Bartels Property
- Construct Kemper Park
- Construct Trail A
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan
- Explore new park opportunities for Planning Areas 3, 8 and 12
- Joint plan Lawndale Park with Algonquin
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

### **2014-2015 Action Items**

- Consider Referendum (Aquatics, Brunner Phase II, Randall Oaks Sports Complex, Sleepy Hollow Park, Trails, Randall Oaks Golf and potential park facility renovations)
- Construct Bartels Property Phase I
- Prepare Grant Strategy Sleepy Hollow Park
- Design Westside Aquatics Center
- Design Sleepy Hollow Park
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan, Update
- Explore new park opportunities for Planning Areas 3, 8 and 12
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

### **2015-2016 Action Items**

- Update Districtwide Comprehensive Park Analysis Plan
- Prepare Grant Strategy for Lions Park
- Design Lions Park
- Design Brunner Phase 2
- Construct Westside Aquatics
- Construct Sleepy Hollow Park
- Prepare Grant Strategy for Trail B
- Design Trail B
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan
- Explore new park opportunities for Planning Areas 3, 8 and 12
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

### **2016-2017 Action Items**

- Design Randall Oaks Sports Complex
- Construct Lions Park
- Construct Brunner Phase 2
- Design Bartels Phase 2
- Construct Trail B
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan, Update
- Explore new park opportunities for Planning Areas 4, 10 and 16
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

**2017-2018 Action Items**

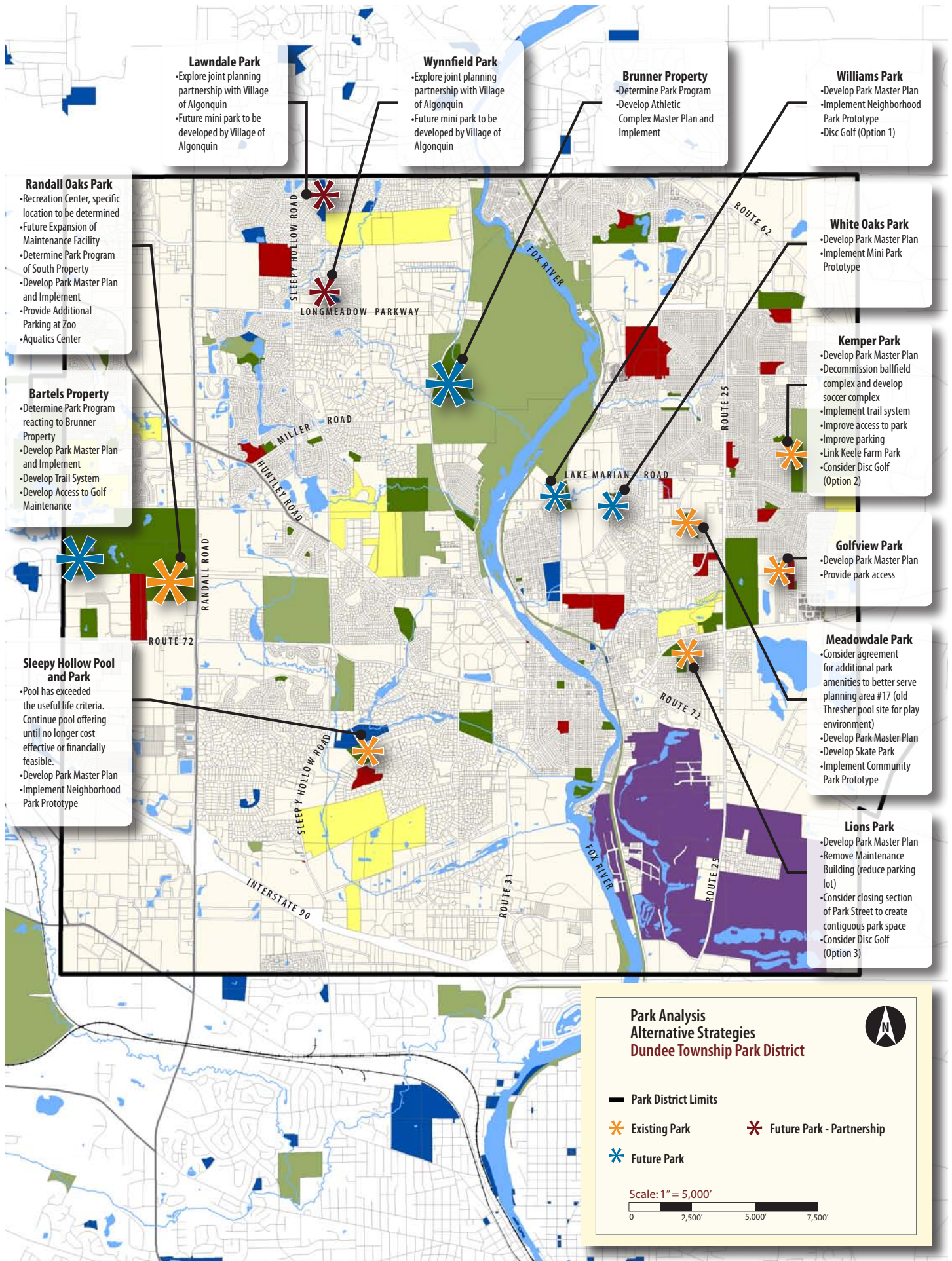
- Construct Randall Oaks Sports Complex
- Construct Bartels Phase 2
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan
- Explore new park opportunities for Planning Areas 4, 10 and 16
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

**2018-2019 Action Items**

- Design Eastside Disc Golf
- Construct Eastside Disc Golf
- Design Williams Park
- Construct Williams Park
- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan, Update
- Explore new park opportunities
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed

**2019-2020 Action Items**

- Follow DTPD Capital Replacement Plan
- Explore new park opportunities
- Revisit Implementation Guideline and reprioritize as needed



**Lawndale Park**

- Explore joint planning partnership with Village of Algonquin
- Future mini park to be developed by Village of Algonquin

**Wynnfield Park**

- Explore joint planning partnership with Village of Algonquin
- Future mini park to be developed by Village of Algonquin

**Brunner Property**

- Determine Park Program
- Develop Athletic Complex Master Plan and Implement

**Williams Park**

- Develop Park Master Plan
- Implement Neighborhood Park Prototype
- Disc Golf (Option 1)

**Randall Oaks Park**

- Recreation Center, specific location to be determined
- Future Expansion of Maintenance Facility
- Determine Park Program of South Property
- Develop Park Master Plan and Implement
- Provide Additional Parking at Zoo
- Aquatics Center

**White Oaks Park**

- Develop Park Master Plan
- Implement Mini Park Prototype

**Bartels Property**

- Determine Park Program reacting to Brunner Property
- Develop Park Master Plan and Implement
- Develop Trail System
- Develop Access to Golf Maintenance

**Kemper Park**

- Develop Park Master Plan
- Decommission ballfield complex and develop soccer complex
- Implement trail system
- Improve access to park
- Improve parking
- Link Keele Farm Park
- Consider Disc Golf (Option 2)

**Sleepy Hollow Pool and Park**

- Pool has exceeded the useful life criteria. Continue pool offering until no longer cost effective or financially feasible.
- Develop Park Master Plan
- Implement Neighborhood Park Prototype

**Golfview Park**

- Develop Park Master Plan
- Provide park access

**Meadowdale Park**

- Consider agreement for additional park amenities to better serve planning area #17 (old Thresher pool site for play environment)
- Develop Park Master Plan
- Develop Skate Park
- Implement Community Park Prototype

**Lions Park**

- Develop Park Master Plan
- Remove Maintenance Building (reduce parking lot)
- Consider closing section of Park Street to create contiguous park space
- Consider Disc Golf (Option 3)

**Park Analysis Alternative Strategies Dundee Township Park District**

Park District Limits  
 Existing Park      Future Park - Partnership  
 Future Park

Scale: 1" = 5,000'

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