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**Steering Committee Presentation for the
Comprehensive Plan Update**

May 1, 2013

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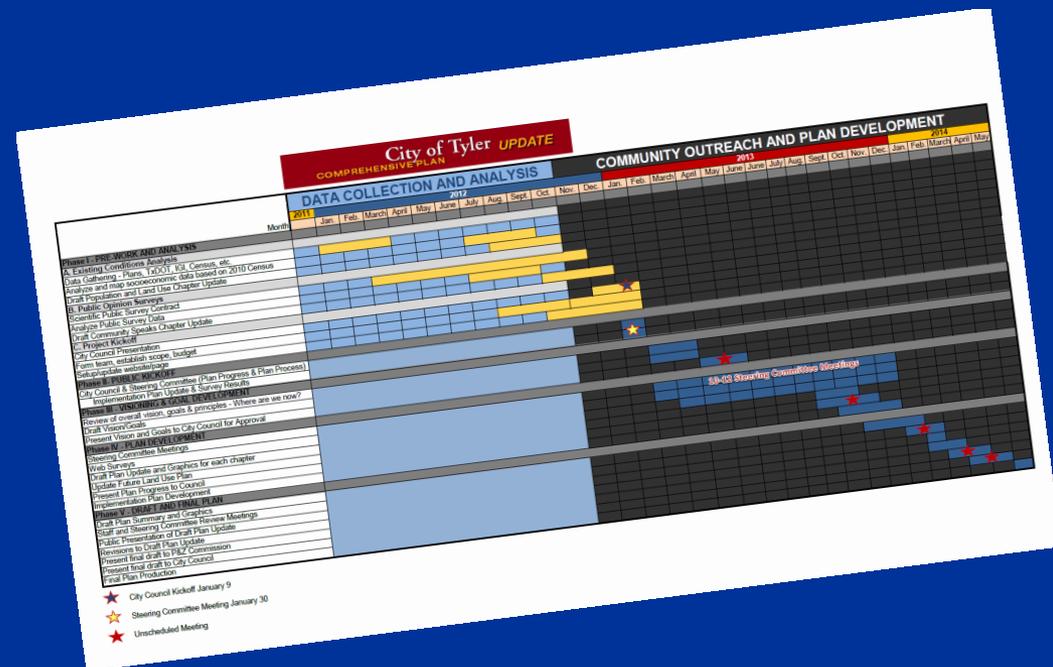
Introduction

- **Welcome: Mayor Barbara Bass**



Plan Review Progress and Schedule

Heather Nick, City Planner





Guiding Principle

Protect and enhance open spaces, parks and trees in a connected network for recreation and a healthy environment and community:

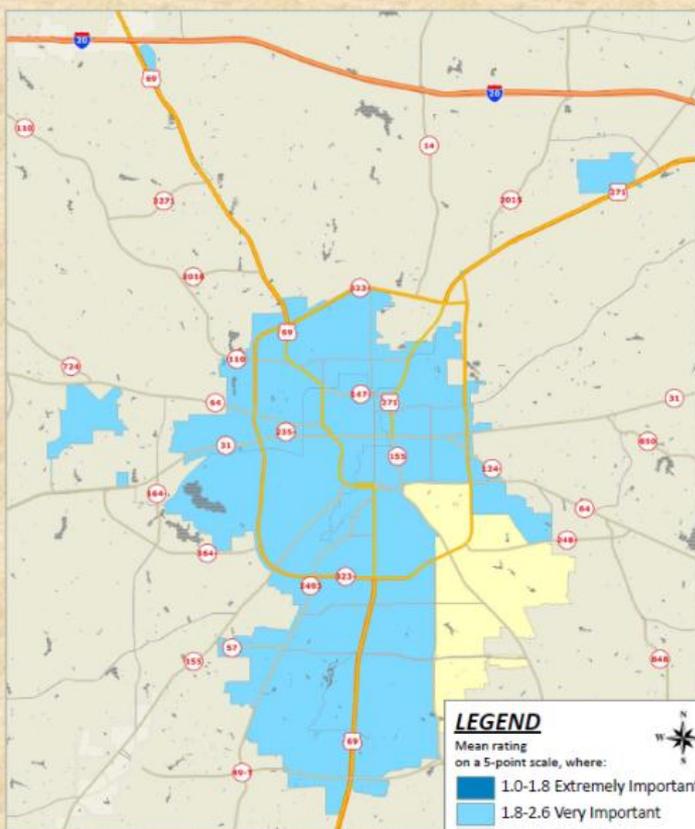
- Create a network of trails, greenways, parks and open spaces linking city and county destinations, such as the lakes and state park.
- Encourage development of new neighborhood parks.
- Encourage the planting of trees along streets and in public and private places.
- Encourage amenities in older parks, including lighting and security.

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Citizen Survey Results

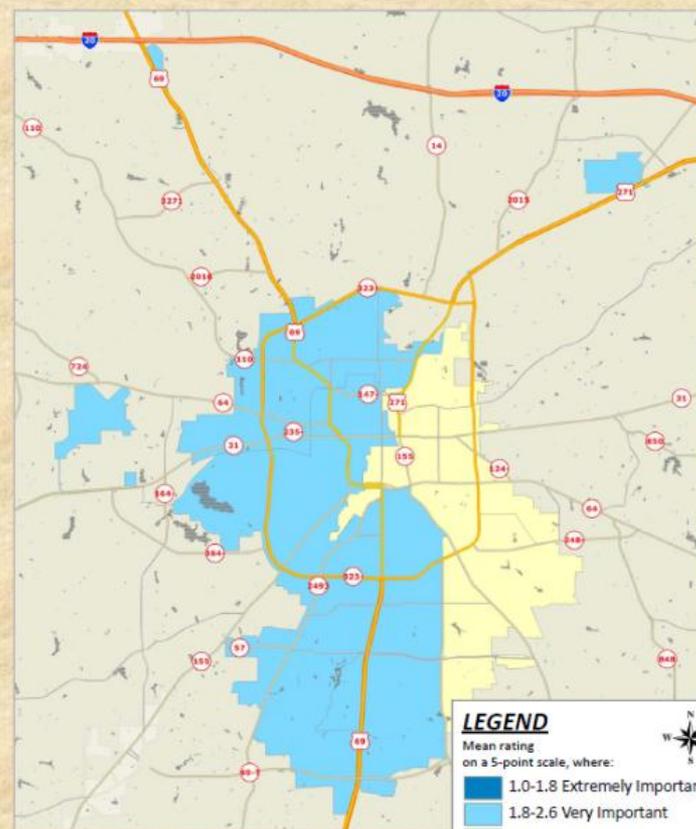
Q8L. Availability of Parks and Open Spaces



2012 City of Tyler
Community Survey

Shading reflects the mean rating for all respondents
by Council District

Q8M. Availability of Recreational Activities



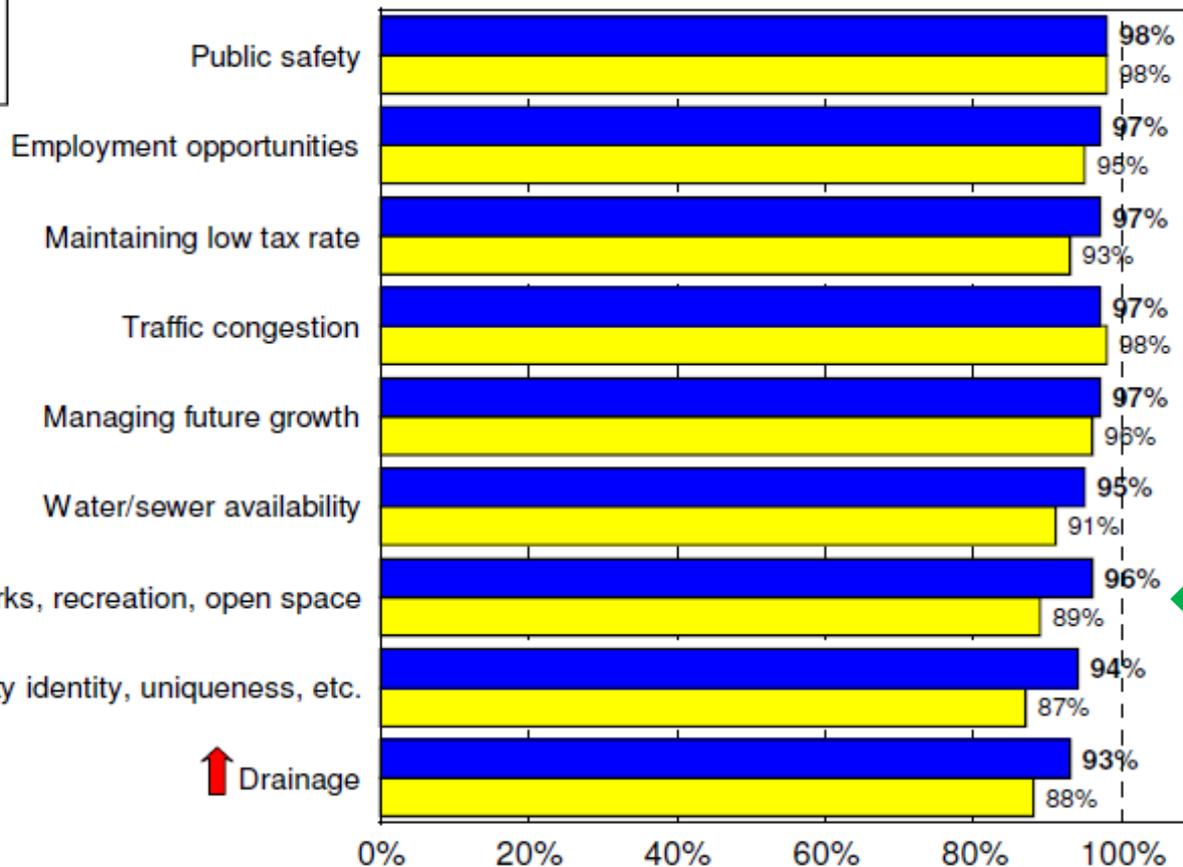
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Level of Importance of Various Issues 2012 vs. 2006

by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a "very important" or "somewhat important" (excluding "not provided" responses)

↑ = Increases of 5% or more
↓ = Decreases of 5% or more



↑ Maintaining community identity, uniqueness, etc.

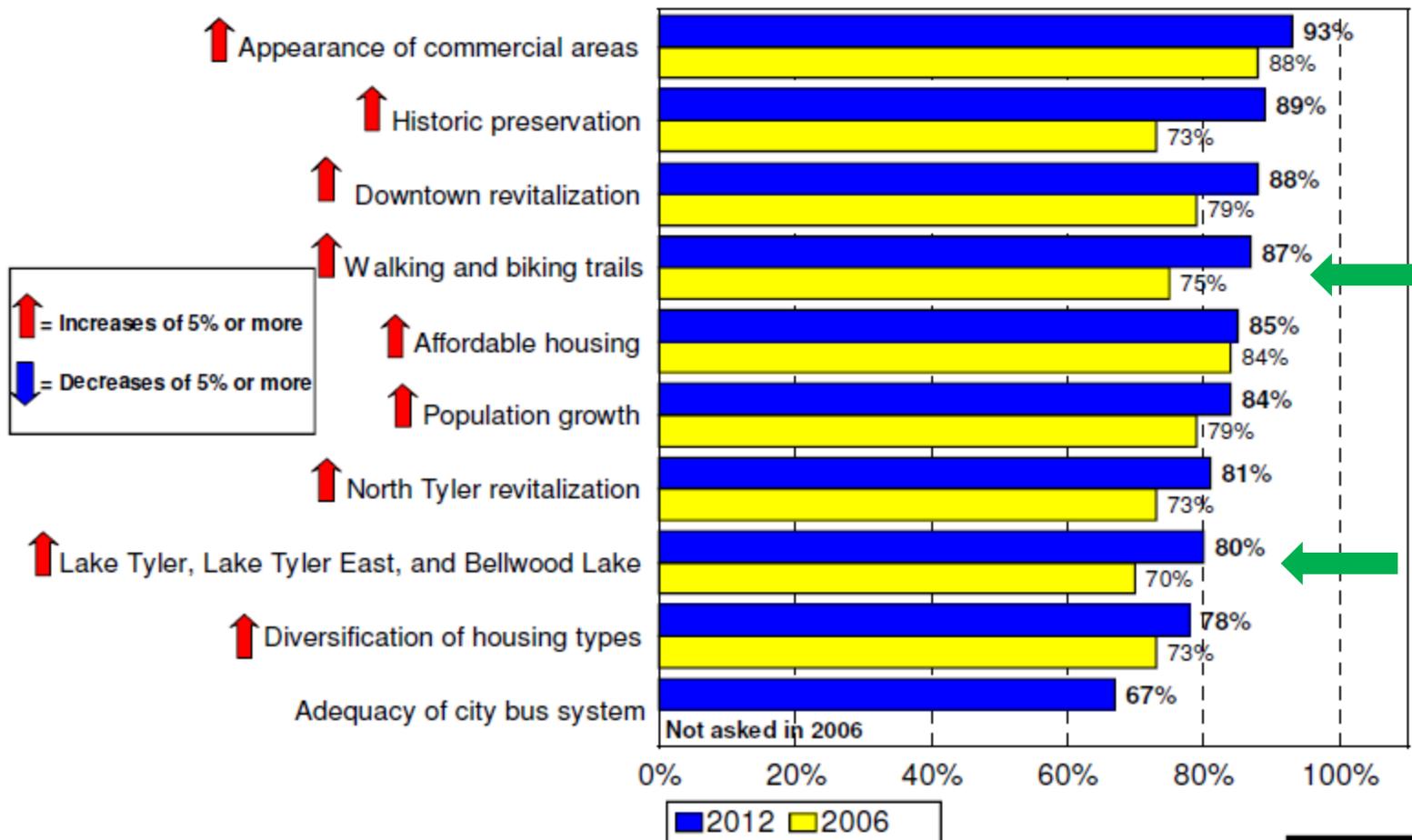
↑ Drainage

■ 2012 ■ 2006

Level of Importance of Various Issues (Continued)

2012 vs. 2006

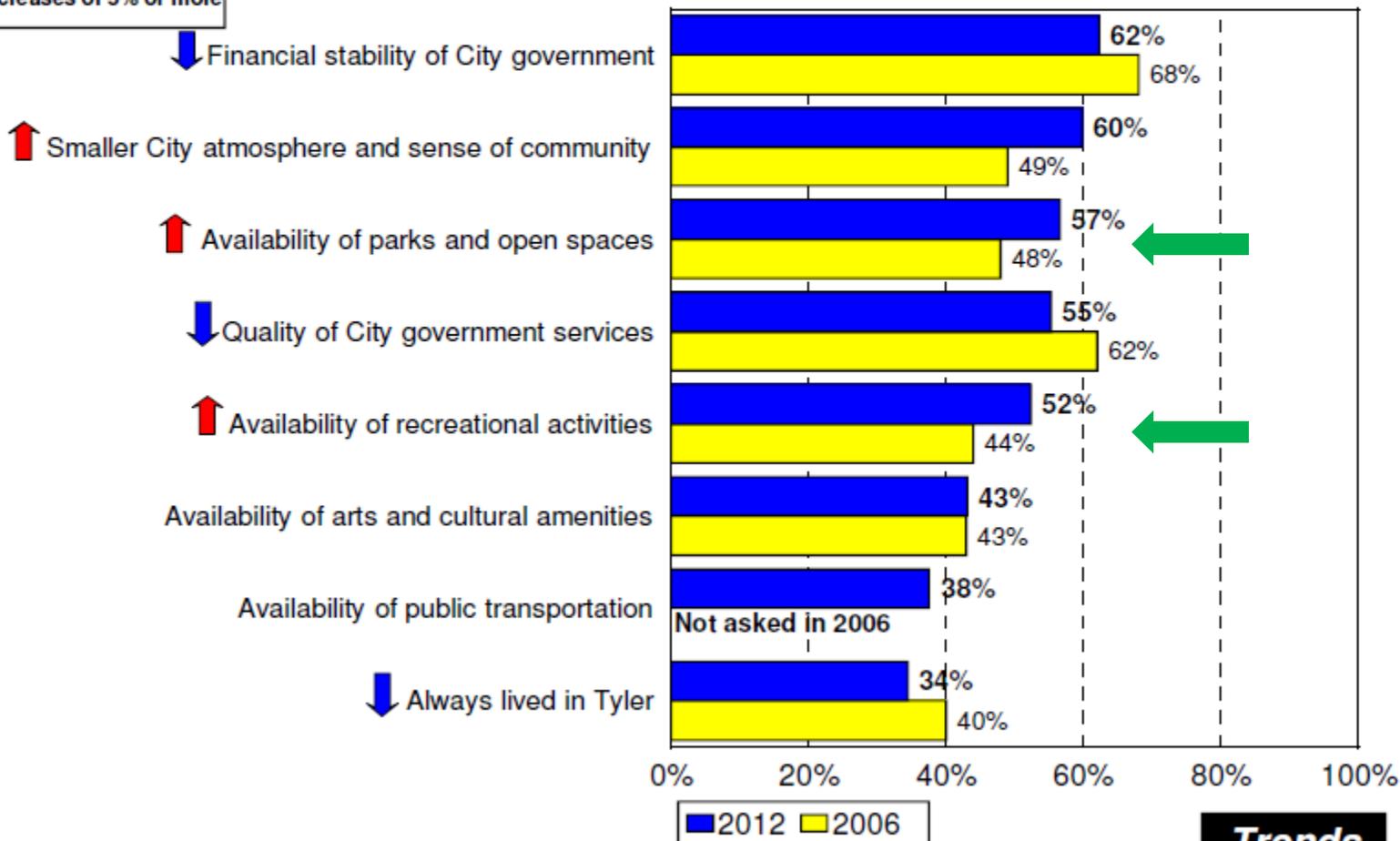
by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a "very important" or "somewhat important" (excluding "not provided" responses)



Importance of Various Reasons in Decision to Live in Tyler 2012 vs. 2006

by percentage of respondents who rated the item as "extremely important" or "very important" (excluding not provided responses)

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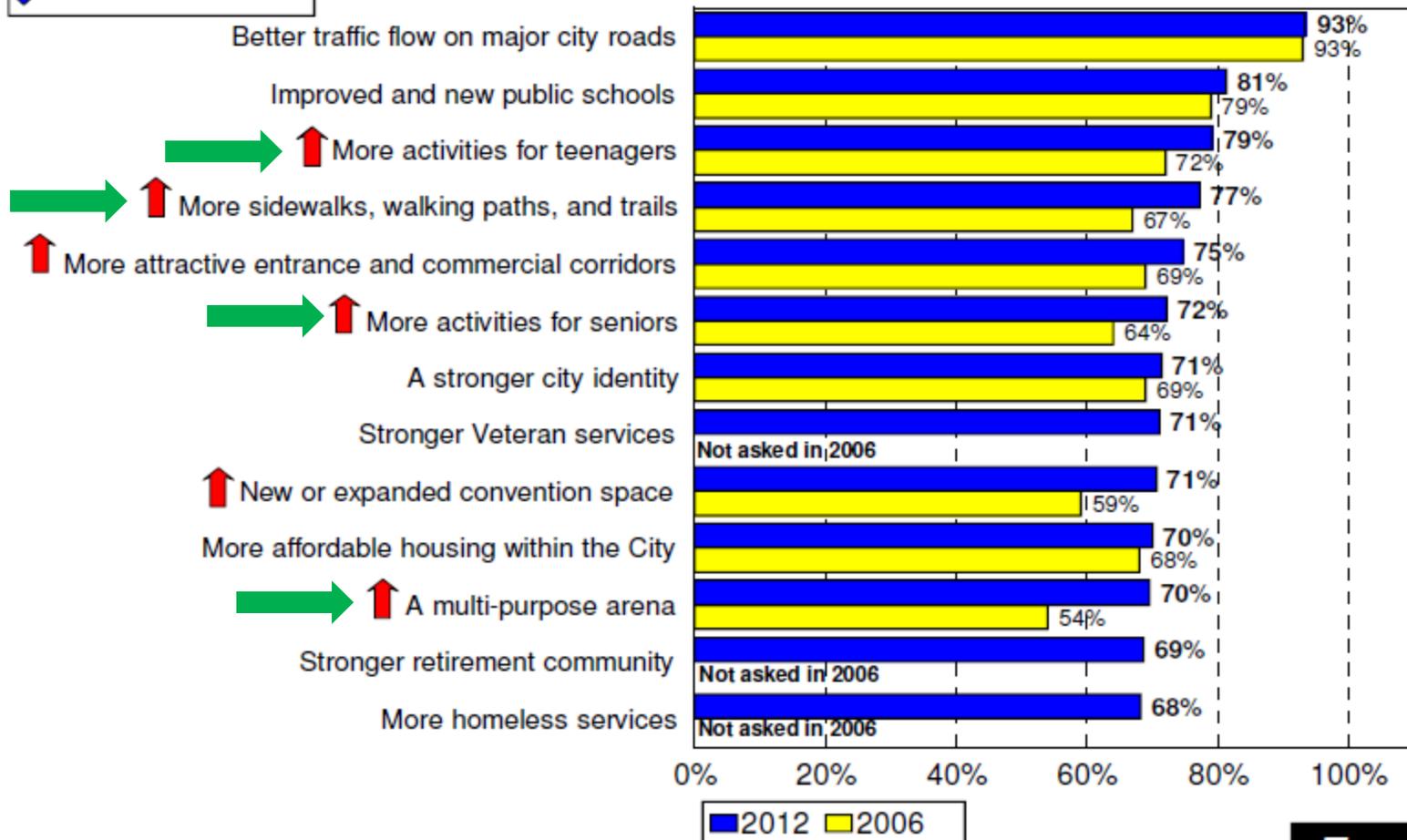
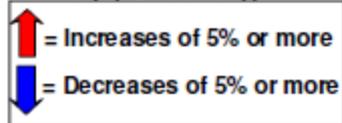


Source: ETC Institute (December 2012)

Trends

Agreement with Statements About the What the City of Tyler's Future Should Include 2012 vs. 2006

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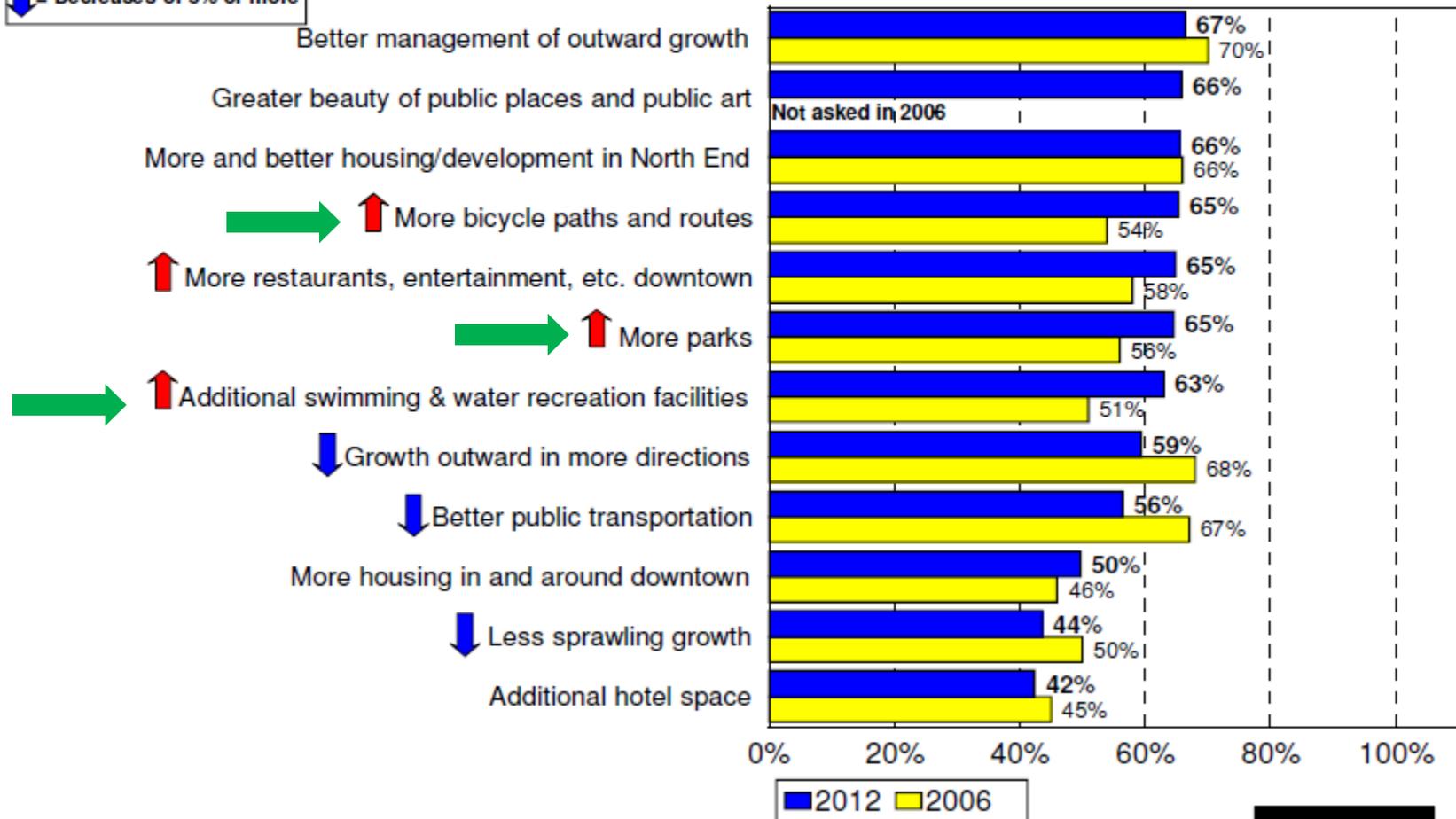


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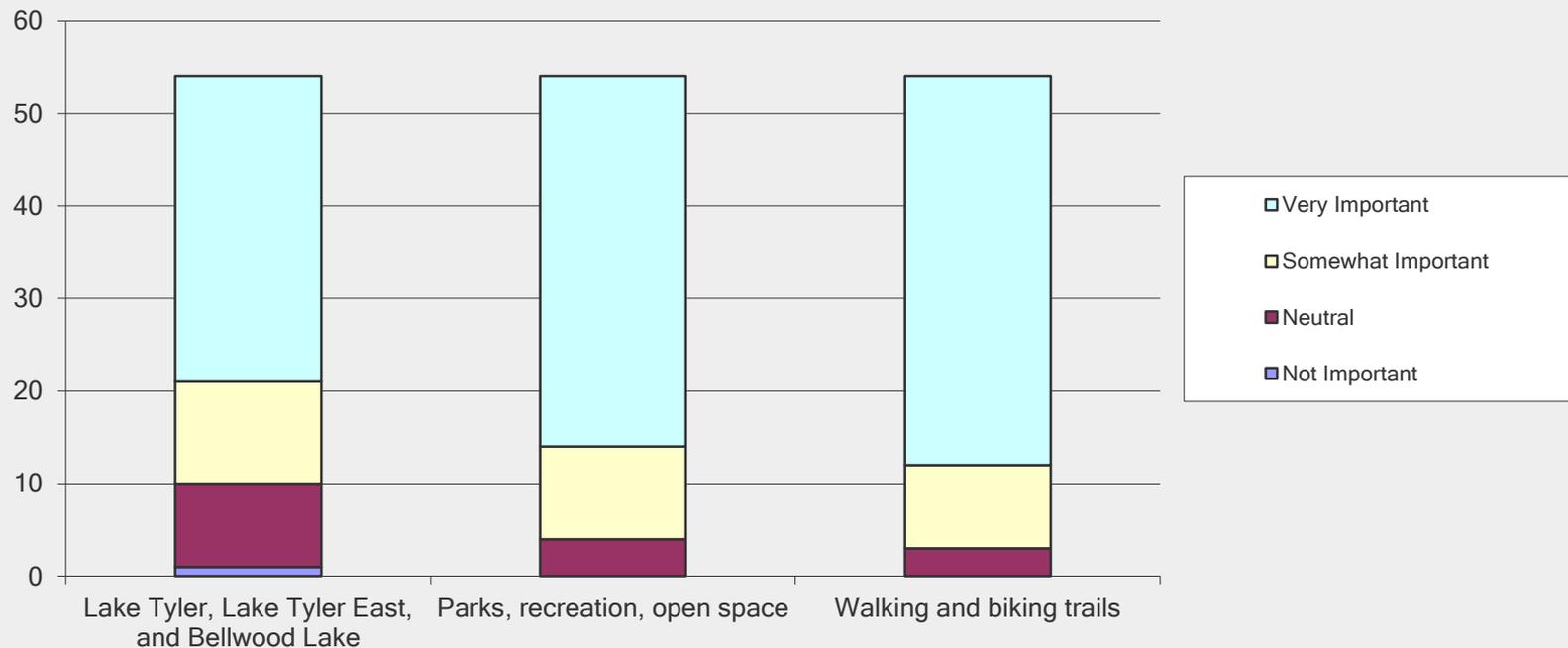
Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

Stephanie Rollings, Director of Parks & Recreation



Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

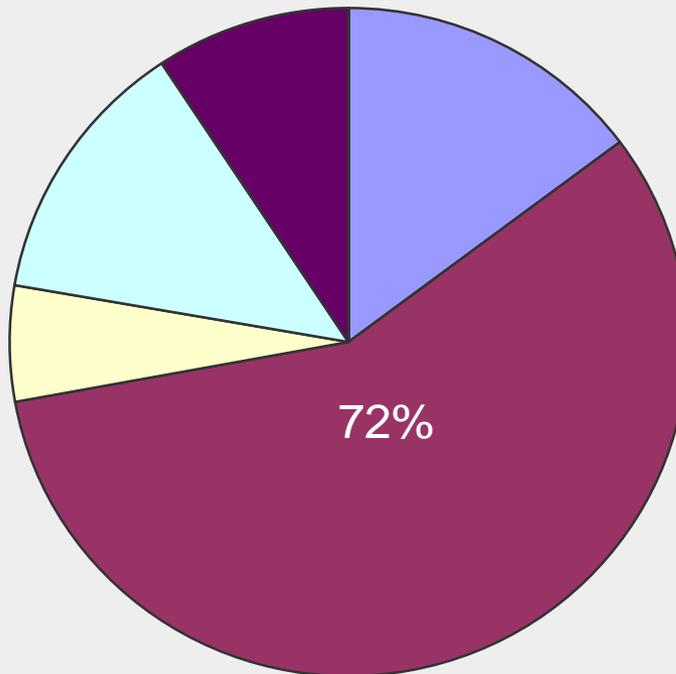
How important are each of the following?





Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

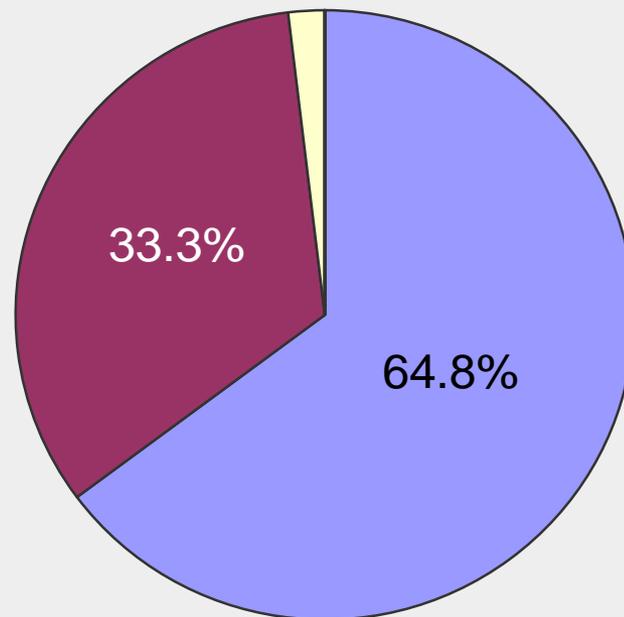
Please rate your satisfaction with the overall quality of parks & recreation programs/facilities:





Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

Existing parks in Tyler should be upgraded and/or improved to include additional facilities.

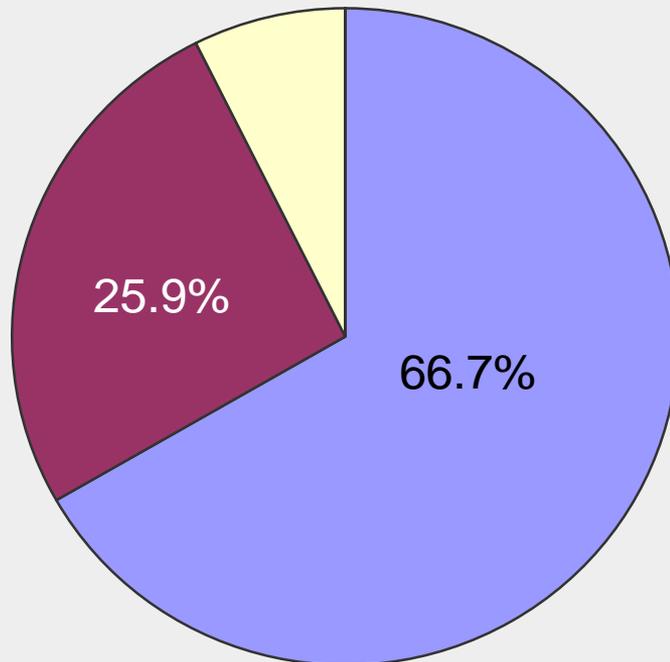


- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree



Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

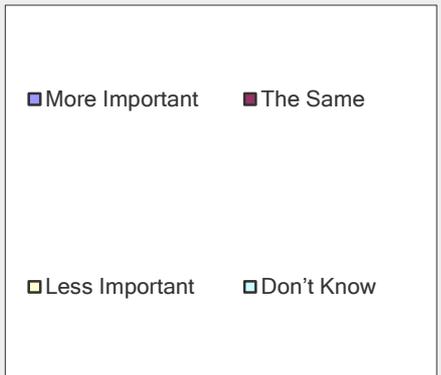
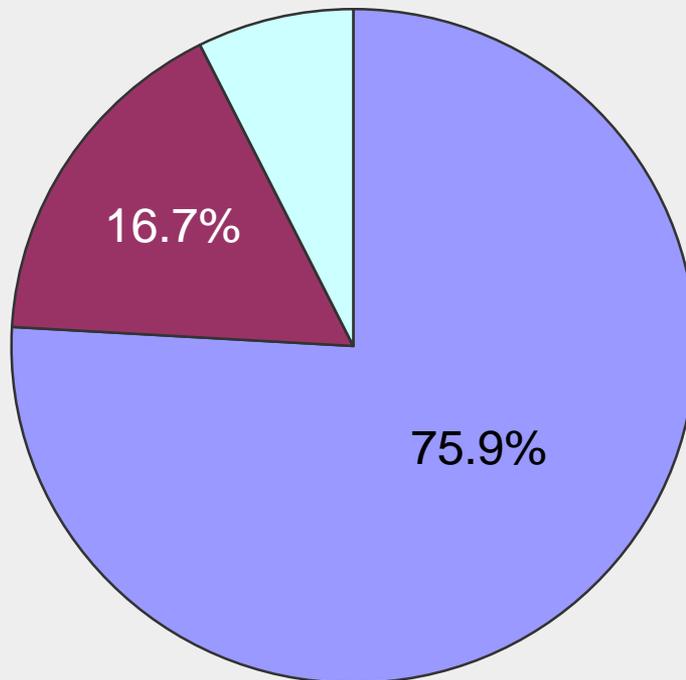
Parks and recreation facilities are well worth the cost to taxpayers.





Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

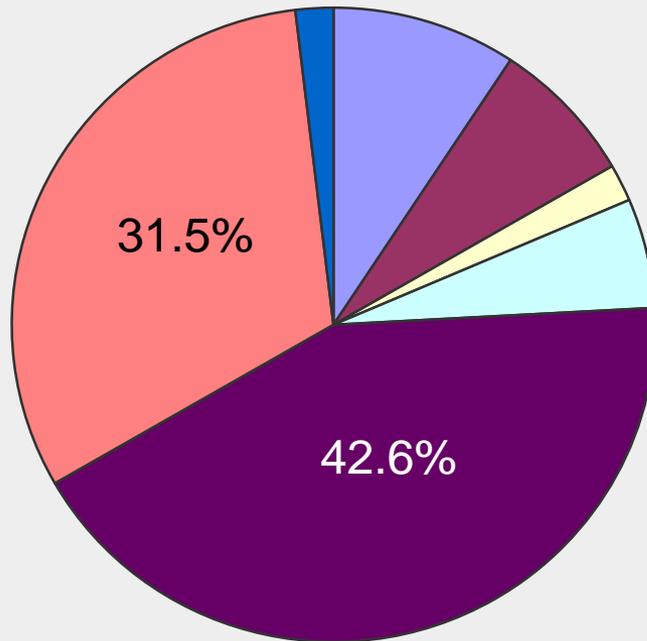
Is the role of parks, recreation and open space in Tyler today:





Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

How far do you travel to get to a park?

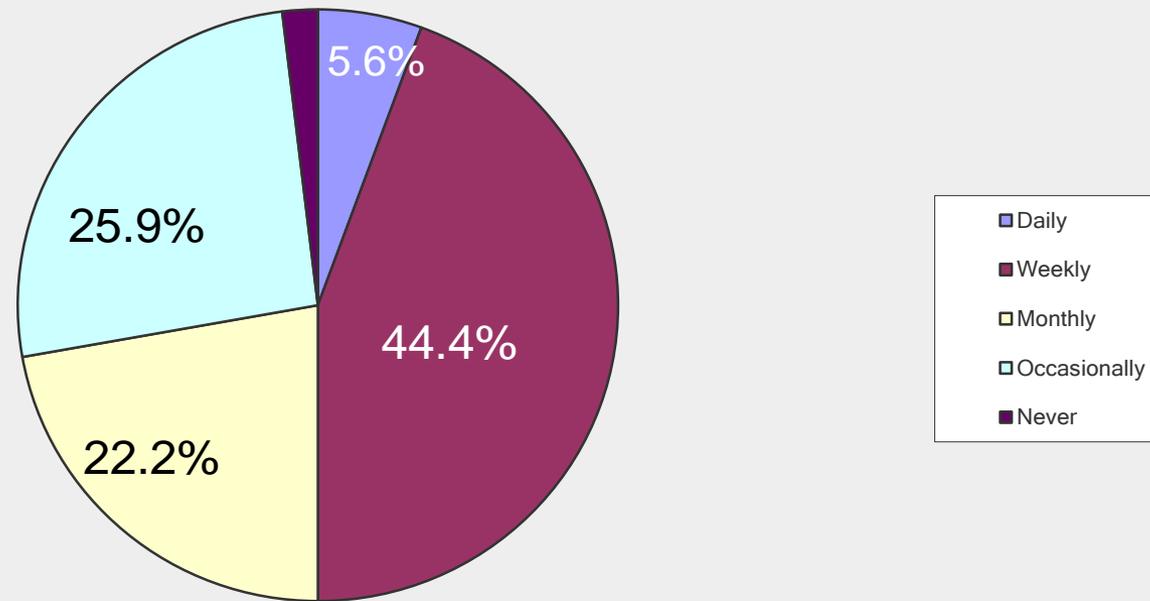


- 0 to 1/4 mile away
- 1/4 to 1/2 mile away
- 1/2 to 3/4 mile away
- 3/4 to 1 mile away
- more than one mile away
- more than 5 miles away
- Don't know



Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

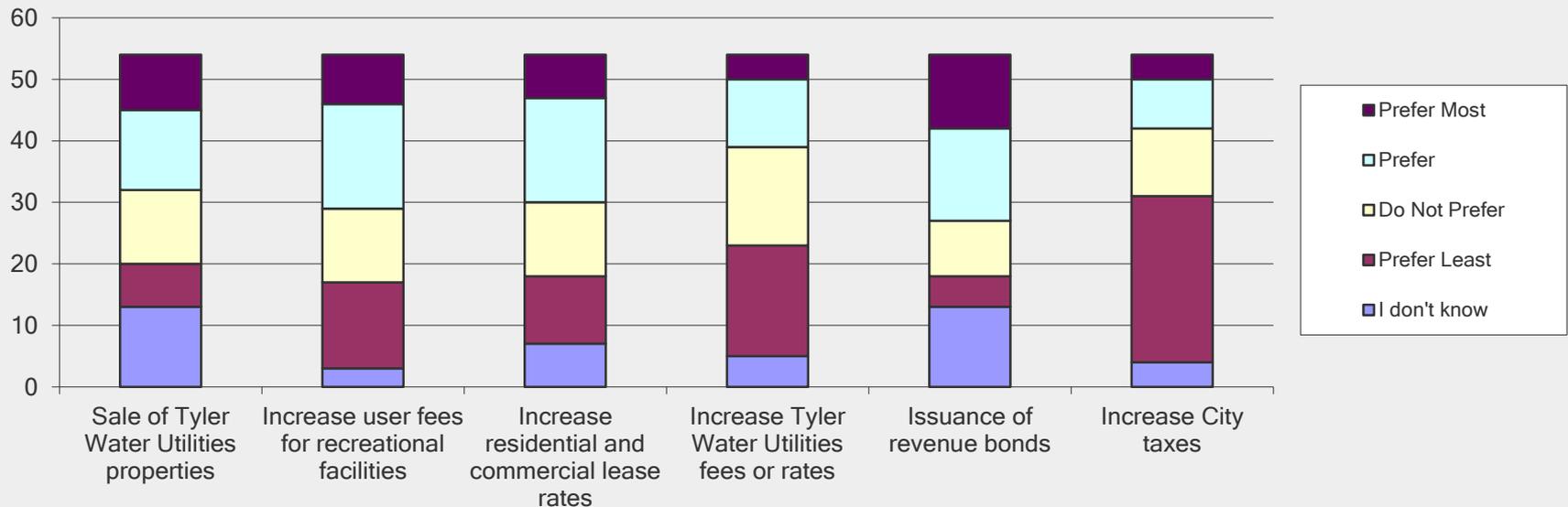
How often do you use a park?





Highlights: Parks, Rec., Open Space & Lakes (cont.)

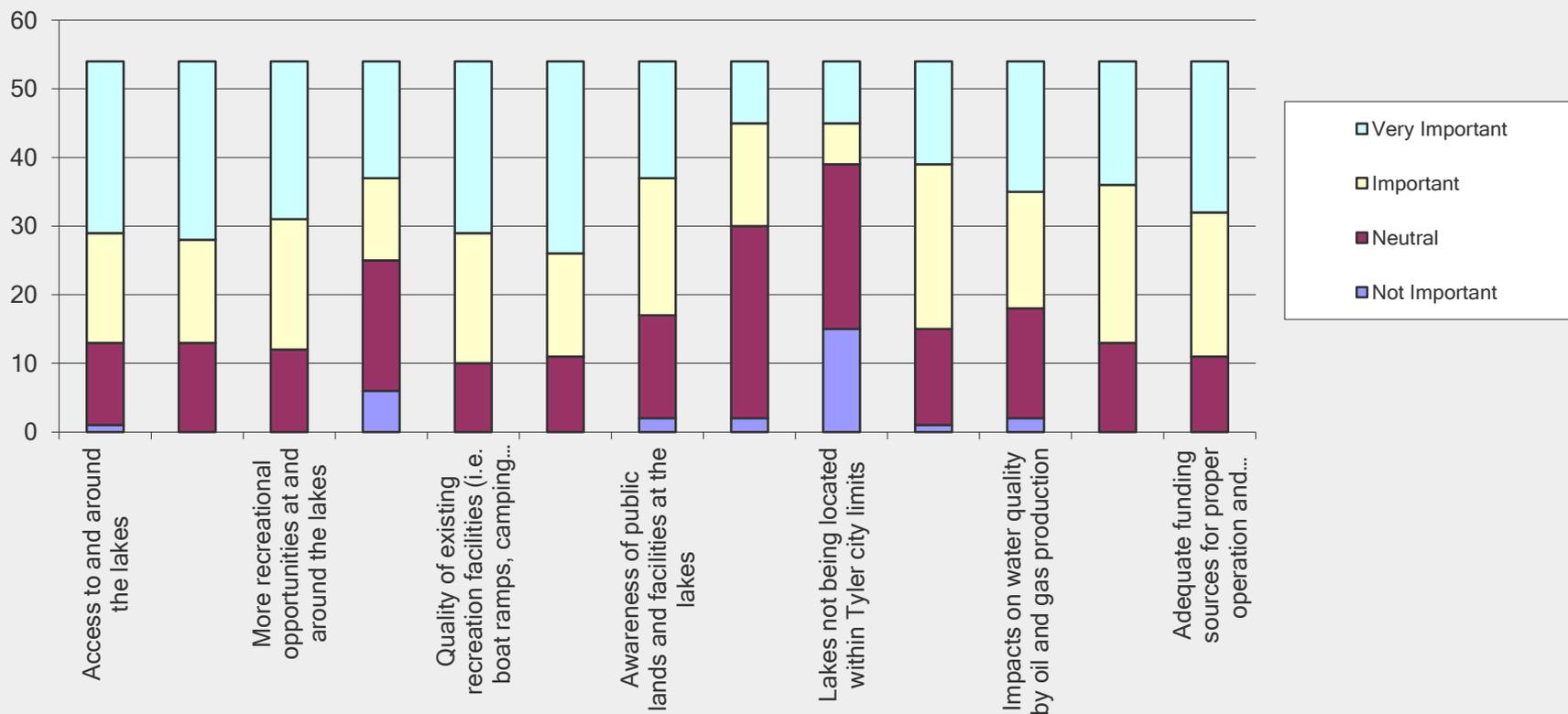
How do you think future improvements and maintenance at Lake Tyler/Lake Tyler East should be funded?





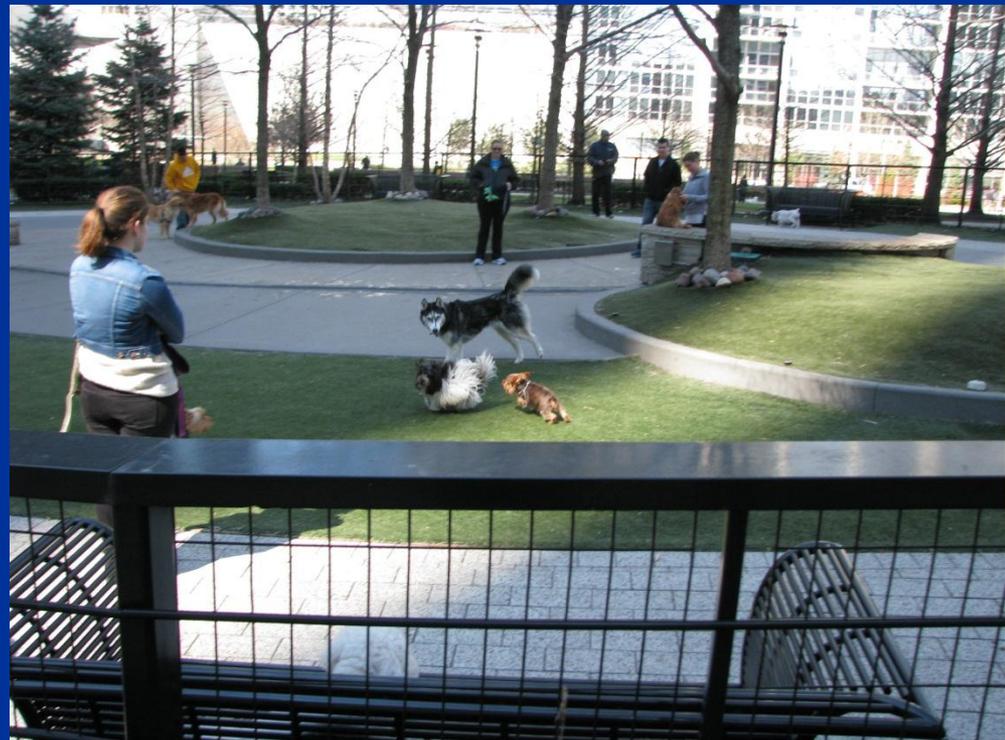
Parks, Recreation and Open Space Update

What do you think are the biggest problems or challenges at Lake Tyler/Lake Tyler East?



Open House – April 16, 2013

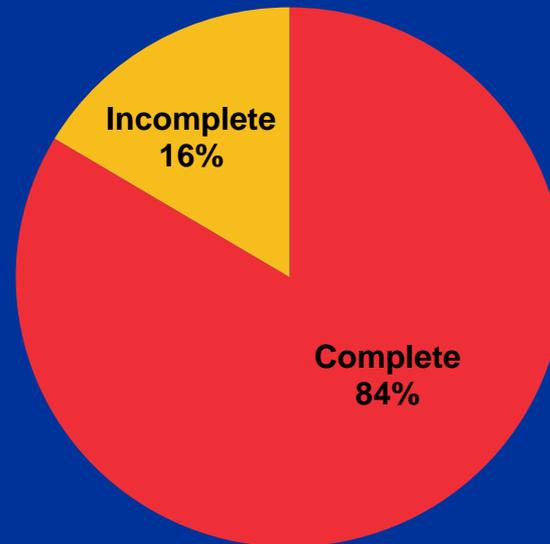
- Dog Park
- Cycling facilities
- Improve Bellwood Lake





Highlights: Parks, Rec., Open Space & Lakes (cont.)

56 of 67 Items Complete





Highlights: Parks, Rec., Open Space & Lakes (cont.)

- Updated park playground equipment with grant from the Spangenberg Family Foundation and Tyler Soccer Association.
- Updated Glass Recreation Center fitness equipment with a grant from East Texas Communities Foundation.
- Tyler Senior Center improvements including new flooring.





- Launched Mayor's Tree Tyler Initiative.
 - 5,370 Trees planted according to the Tree Tyler Survey
 - Approximately 500 volunteers assisted planting trees in the two Mayors Tree Tyler Days

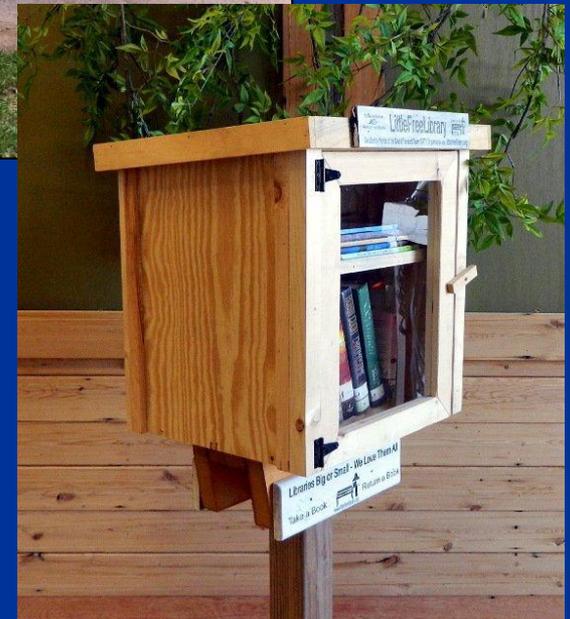
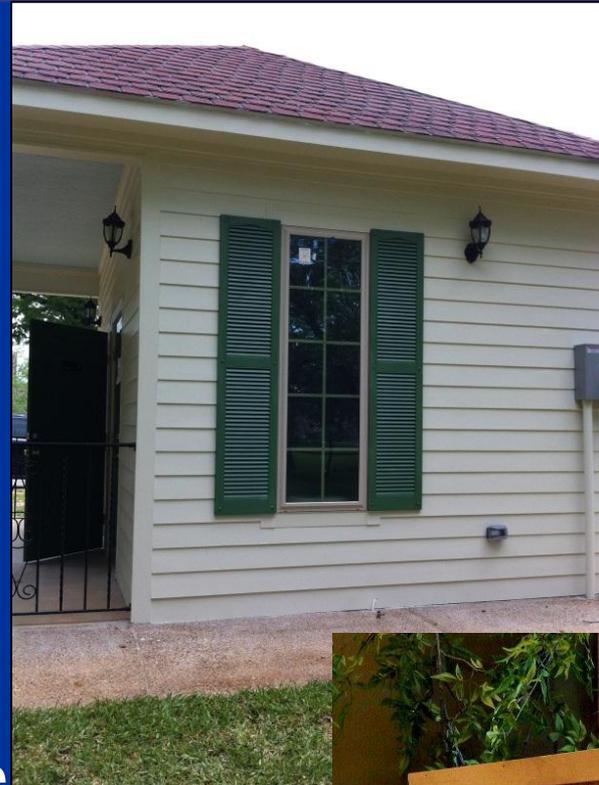


TREE CITY USA



- Drafted five-year tree planting plan
- Recognized as Tree City U.S.A. for tree perseveration efforts





- **New Rose Hill Cemetery fence.**
- **Goodman exterior restorations and new restrooms.**
- **Assisted with proposed Convention Center, study.**
- **Little Library**

- **Corridor Enhancements: Plantings in Earl Campbell Parkway and Gentry Parkway Medians. Established wildflower program along Grande Corridor.**





Highlights: Parks, Rec., Open Space & Lakes

- Completed Parks and Open Space Master Plan (approved by State)
- Accepted donation of new park (Stewart Park) - Master Plan in the works



BERGFELD PARK



- **Developing Master Plan with neighborhood group**
- **Sidewalk project completed**



CHILDREN'S PARK

- Acquire additional land at the Children's Park to expand facilities



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GRAPHIC SCALE
20' 0' 20' 60'

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CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN
THE CHILDREN'S PARK
TYLER, TEXAS

Plan 127-3

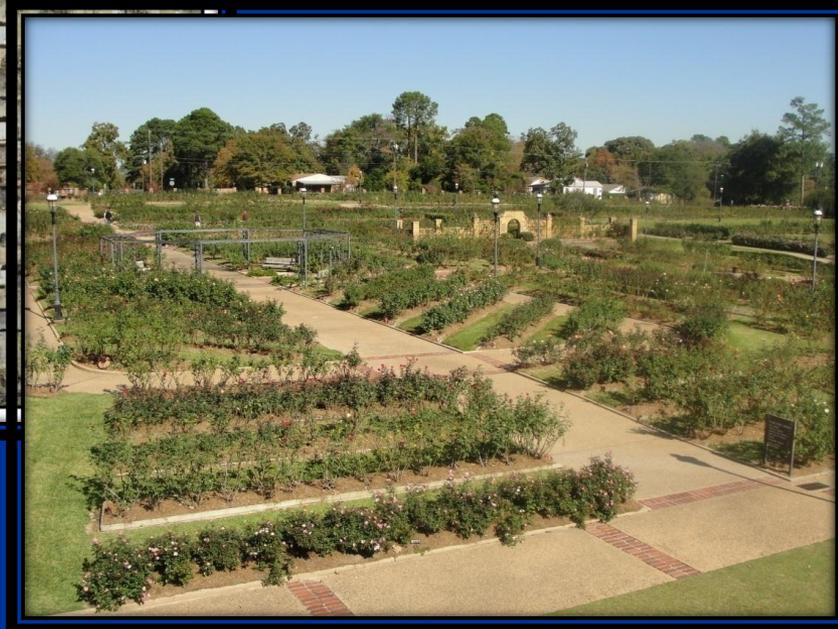
The Children's Park

Children are a Gift Foundation
Tyler, Texas

DRAWN:	DEL
CHECKED:	MHS
DATE:	SEPT 2009
SCALE:	AS SHOWN
JOB NO.:	
OF	

ROSE GARDEN

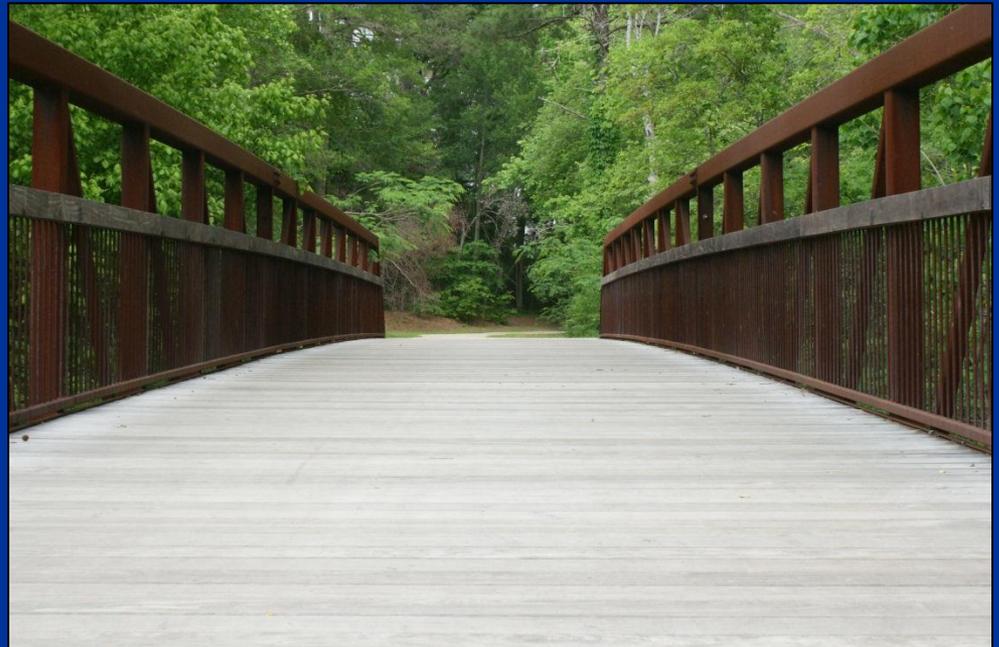
- Master Plan, new restrooms, sidewalks, and new lift at Rose Garden Center.



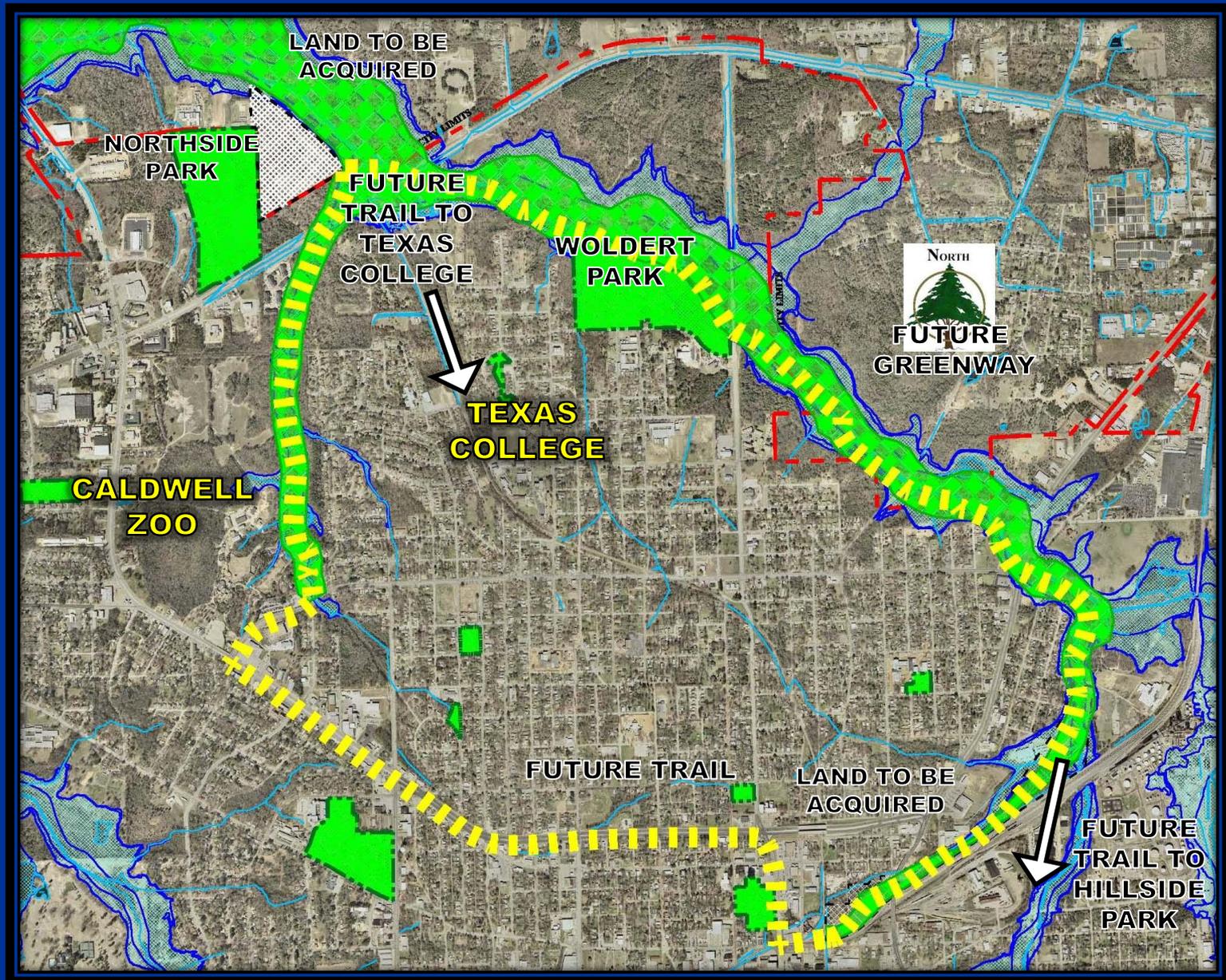
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- Adopted the Regional Trail Plan

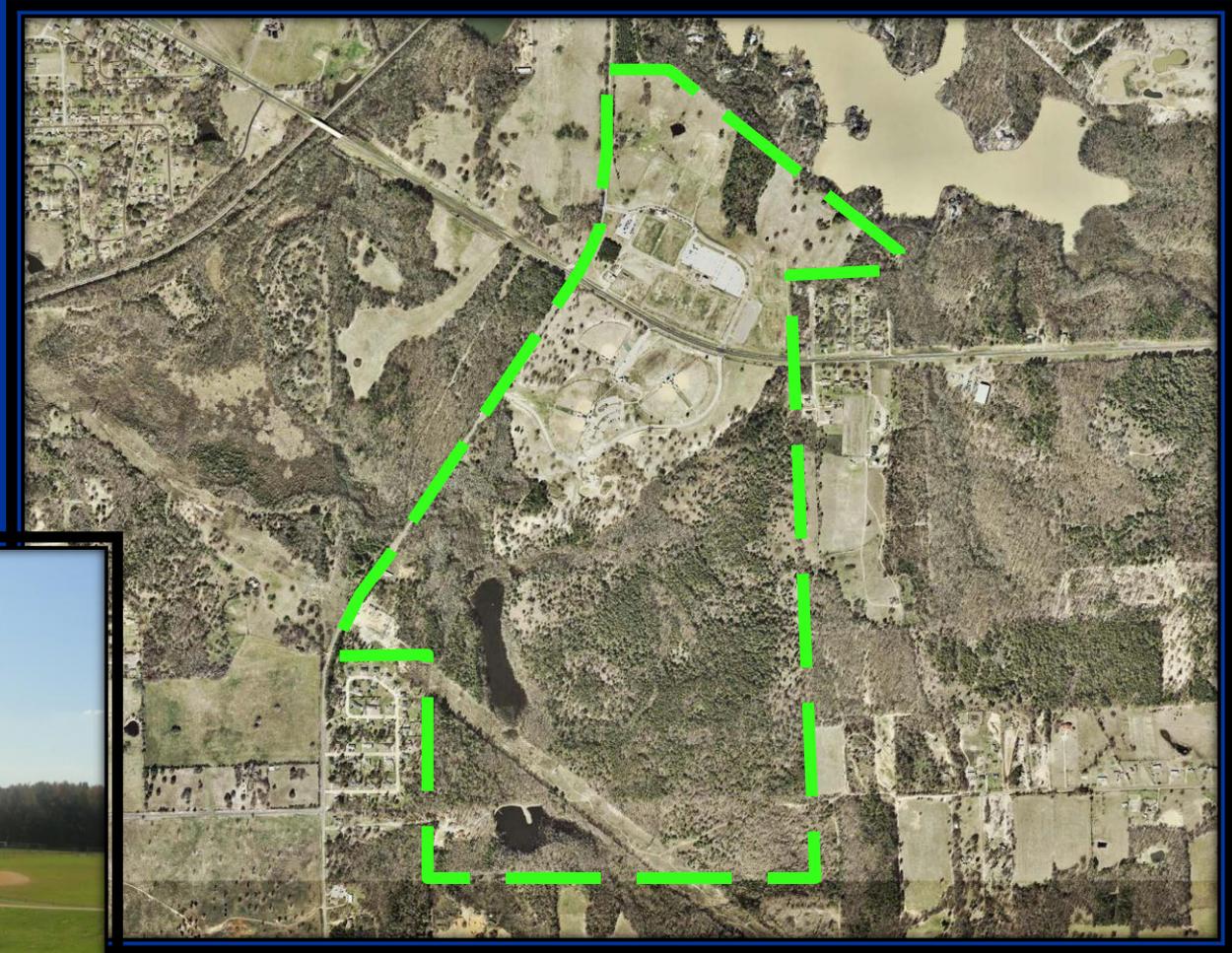


- Received a grant to construct a new trail along Black Fork Creek

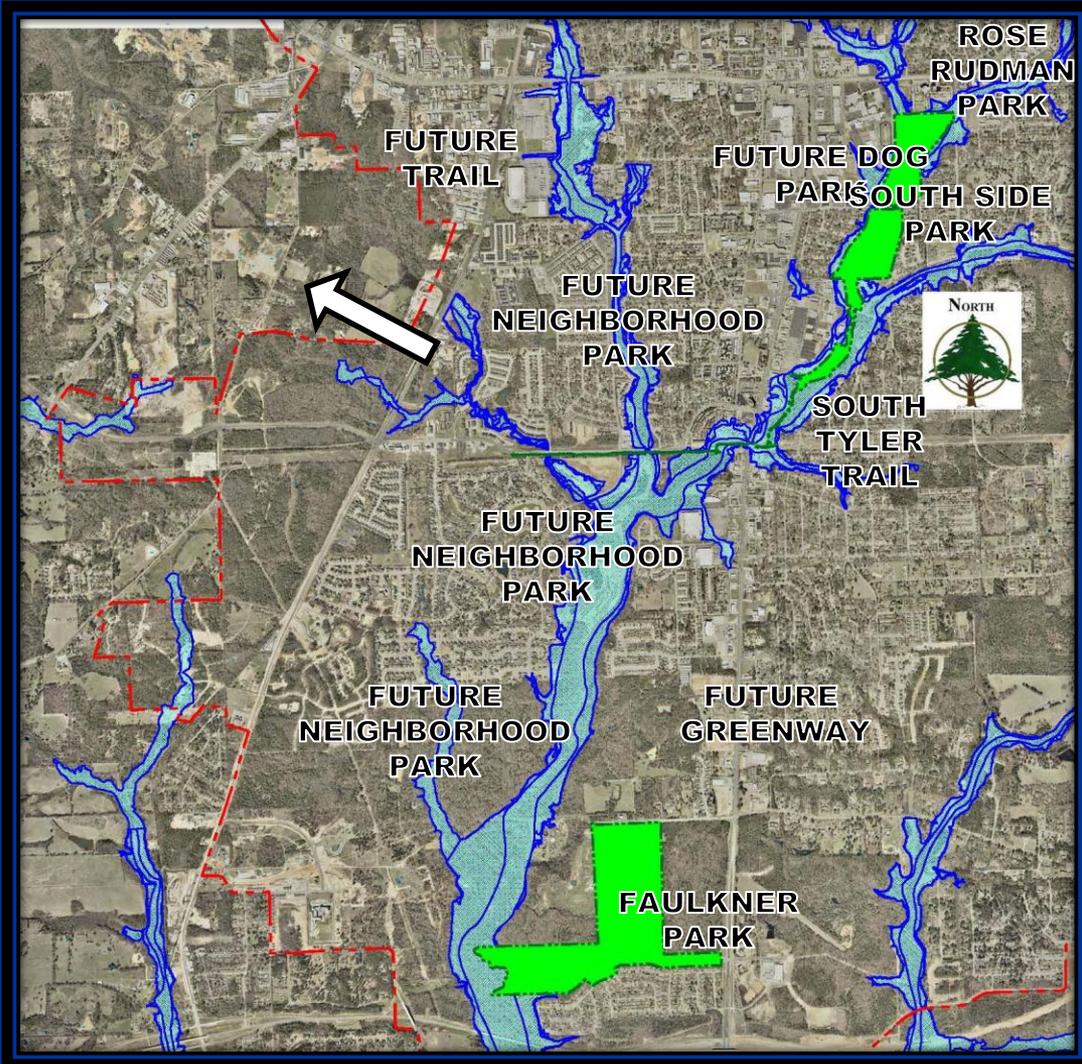


LINDSEY PARK

- Developed over 10 miles of Nature trails/Mountain Bike Trails



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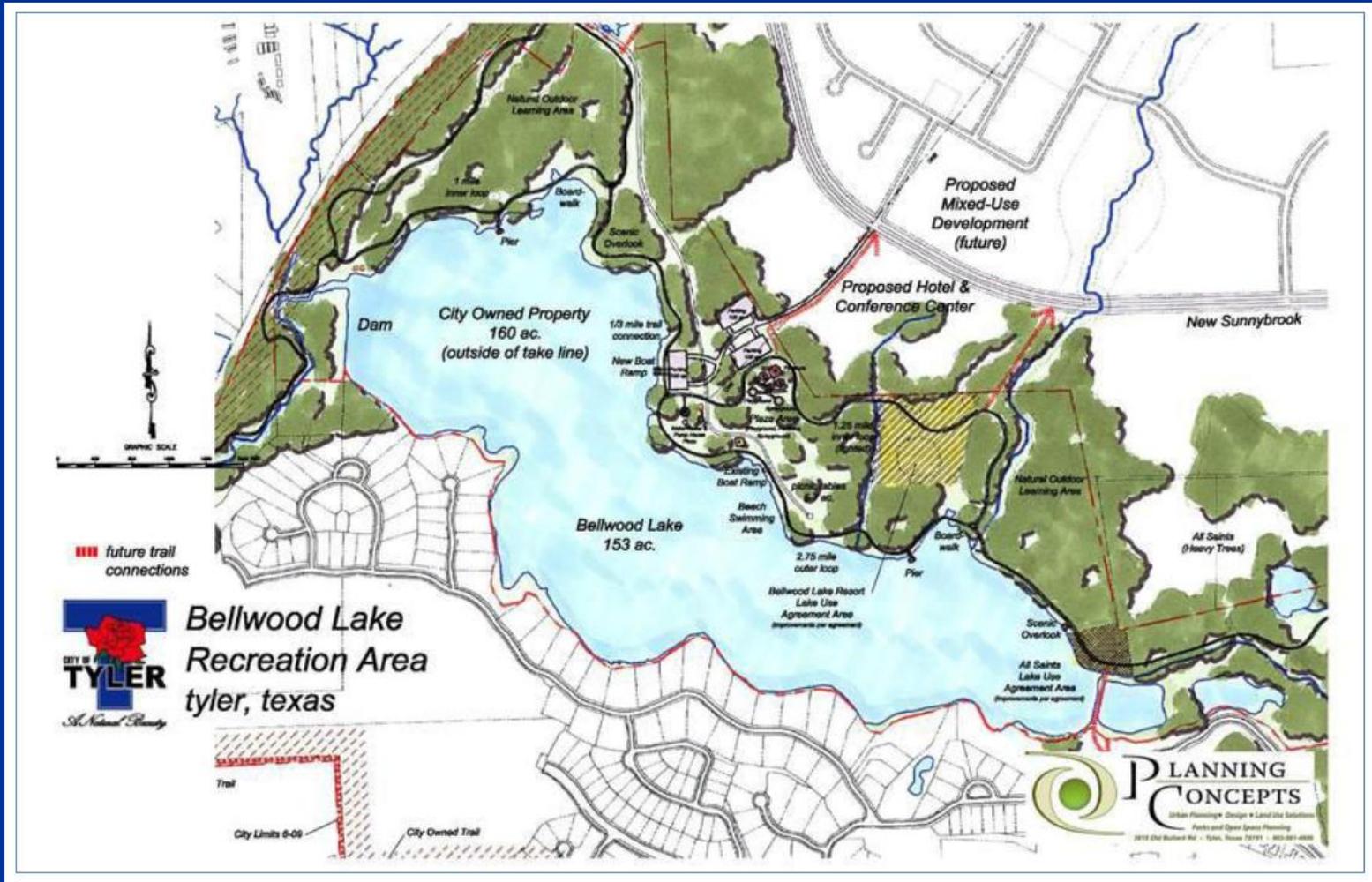
- Received a grant to extend Faulkner Mountain Bike Trail across Mud Creek
- South Tyler trail connection planned to Faulkner

Lake Tyler, Lake Tyler East, Bellwood Lake

Greg Morgan, Director of Utilities & Public Works

Bellwood Lake:

- Completed Bellwood Lake Master Plan in 2009.



Lake Tyler and Lake Tyler East:

- Completed Lake Tyler / Lake Tyler East Master Plan in 2011.

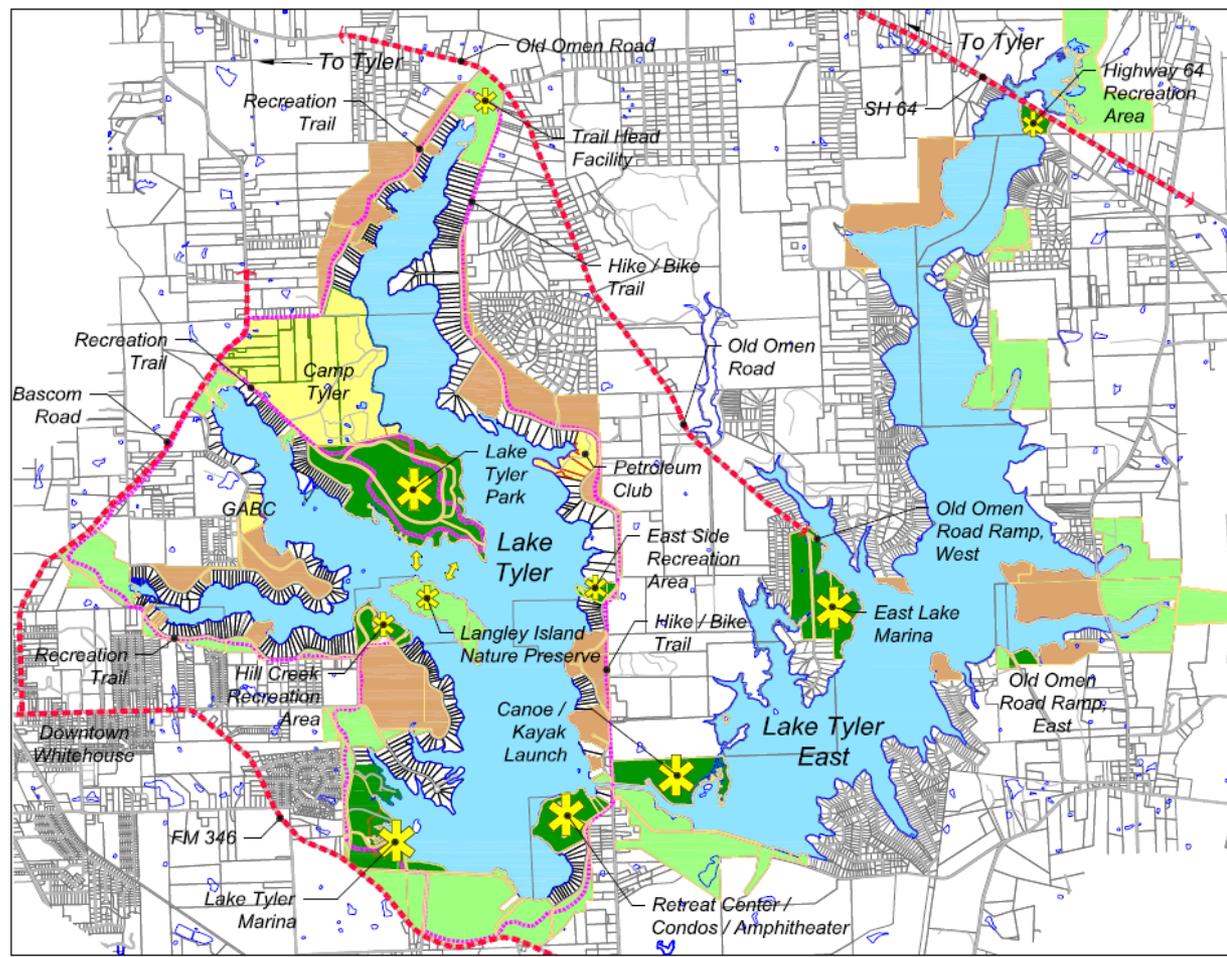


Figure 26
Recreation
Plan

- Legend**
- Recreation Areas
 - Natural Areas
 - Non-Residential
 - Potential Development
 - Proposed Trails
 - Major Roads



Lake Tyler and Lake Tyler East:

- **Major Accomplishments**

- ✓ Installed wayfinding signage to and around Lakes
- ✓ Updated *Rules and Regulations* to include new guidelines for construction
- ✓ Expanded ETJ to include all City-owned property not already in another ETJ
- ✓ Subdivided Sandy Beach for residential leases
- ✓ Retaining City-owned land at headwaters of tributaries into lakes
- ✓ Expanded water quality sampling program for lakes and tributaries
- ✓ Established rules for pesticides and misting systems
- ✓ Continuing quarterly Lake Tyler Roundtable Committee meetings
- ✓ Included roadway network at Lake in Master Street Plan
- ✓ Partnered with Corps of Engineers to do siltation study



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Table Competition

How Well Do YOU Know Tyler?

It's time to play...

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

- 8 questions (2 additional tiebreakers if necessary)
- For each question, you'll have 2 options
- Raise the corresponding frisbee to signify your answer
- Have someone keep your table's score
- Winning tables get to decide which goals their table works on

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Example:

What is the name of our
current mayor?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Example:

Barbara
Bass

David
Letterman

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Example:

ANSWER:

Barbara
Bass

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

How many parks does the
City of Tyler currently
have?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

27

18

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

27

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

How many miles of trails
has the City of Tyler Parks
department added over
the last year?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

8.6 miles

16 miles

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

16
miles

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

What is the City's oldest
park?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Lemmon
Park

City
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

City
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

How many trees have we
planted towards the
Mayor's Tree Tyler
initiative?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

5,370

4,342

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

5,370

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

What is the name of our
newest park?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Gladys and
T.B.
Stewart Park

Hyde
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

Gladys
and T.B.
Stewart
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

How many cemeteries is
the Parks department
responsible for?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

5

3

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

3

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Which park received new
sidewalks this year?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Lindsey
Park

Bergfeld
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

Bergfeld
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Which park has the most
acres?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Lindsey
Park

Faulkner
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

Lindsey
Park
(454 acres)

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

What is the smallest park?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

Children's
Park

W.E.
Winters
Park

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

Children's
Park
(1 acre)

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

How many miles of trails
is the Parks department
responsible for?

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

23.8

25+

How Well Do You Know Tyler?

ANSWER:

25+

Choices of Goals

1. Preserve open space corridors in Tyler for wildlife habitat, nature-based recreation, an attractive public realm, and a healthy environment.
2. Provide a balanced park and open space system that allows for access and enjoyment by all citizens of Tyler.
3. Provide recreation programs and opportunities for children, youth, adults and senior citizens throughout the city.
4. Protect and preserve Lake Tyler, Lake Tyler East and Bellwood Lake.
- 5a. Be a good steward of parks.
- 5b. Be a good steward of public spaces.
6. Possible new goals



Preservation Month Events

May 2 – Bergfeld Shopping Center

May 2 – Group Landmark Ceremony

May 3 – Education Event

May 30 – Group Half Mile of History

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PRESERVE

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TYLER'S TREASURES

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2013

6 P.M.—6:30 P.M.

COMPLIMENTARY COCKTAIL RECEPTION @ REGIONS BANK — 100 E. FERGUSON ST.

6:30—8 P.M.

PROGRAM @ LIBERTY HALL—103 E. ERWIN





Historic Preservation Quiz

Next Topic: Historic Preservation

Open House

– May 9th Gallery Main Street

Steering Committee Meeting

– May 29th Rose Room

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