



CITY OF MERCER ISLAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday
January 21, 2014
6:00 PM

Mayor Bruce Bassett

Deputy Mayor Dan Grausz

**Councilmembers Debbie Bertlin, Jane Brahm,
Mike Cero, Tana Senn, and Benson Wong**

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All meetings are held in the City Hall Council Chambers at
9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, WA unless otherwise noticed

"Appearances" is the time set aside for members of the public to speak to the City Council
about any issues of concern. If you wish to speak, please consider the following points:

(1) speak audibly into the podium microphone, (2) state your name and address for
the record, and (3) limit your comments to three minutes.

Please note: the Council does not usually respond to comments during the meeting.

STUDY SESSION & REGULAR MEETING

STUDY SESSION, 6:00 PM

- (1) AB 4915 WSDOT, Sound Transit, and King County Metro Briefing Regarding R8A, East Link, Commuter Parking and Bus Intercept Proposal

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL, 8:00 PM

APPEARANCES

MINUTES

- (2) Regular Meeting Minutes of November 4, 2013
Regular Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2013
Regular Meeting Minutes of December 2, 2013
Regular Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2014

CONSENT CALENDAR

- (3) Payables: \$449,963.60 (01/09/14)
Payroll: \$744,772.52 (01/10/14)
- (4) AB 4914 Transportation Consultant Contract - SE 40th St Cumulative Impacts Analysis

REGULAR BUSINESS

- (5) AB 4911 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Plan Update (2nd Reading & Adoption)
- (6) AB 4913 Development Services Group Budget Authorization

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Absences
Planning Schedule
Board Appointments
Councilmember Reports

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To discuss negotiations and proceedings related to collective bargaining agreements pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) for approximately 30 minutes

ADJOURNMENT



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WA**

**AB 4915
January 21, 2014
Study Session**

WSDOT, SOUND TRANSIT, AND KING COUNTY METRO BRIEFING REGARDING R8A, EAST LINK, COMMUTER PARKING, AND BUS INTERCEPT PROPOSAL

Proposed Council Action:
Receive briefing.

DEPARTMENT OF City Manager (Noel Treat)

COUNCIL LIAISON n/a

EXHIBITS n/a

APPROVED BY CITY MANAGER  1/15/2014

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$	n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$	n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$	n/a

SUMMARY

The January 21 Council meeting will include an extended study session for presentations on several transportation topics by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Sound Transit, and King County Metro. The presenters have been encouraged to provide adequate time for Council questions and related discussion during the study session.

The presentations are expected to include the following topics:

• **R8A and East Link Light Rail Project Updates**

WSDOT will provide an update on the status of the R8A project, which involves adding transit and HOV lanes to I-90 in anticipation of the closure of the center lanes for the East Link Project. Current R8A project status and schedule will be discussed.

Following construction of the R8A project, Sound Transit plans to take possession of the I-90 center lanes for the East Link Project. Sound Transit officials will provide the Council with an update on the East Link Project and schedule planning.

• **Bus Service, Commuter Parking and Bus Intercept Proposal**

Metro representatives will brief the Council on bus service issues including possible service reductions and King County's proposal to fund transit through a new transportation benefit district.

Sound Transit will discuss the current demand for the Island's park-and-ride lot as well as Sound Transit's commitment to provide funding (at least \$6.3 million) to address the City's loss of mobility to and from Mercer Island as a consequence of the I-90 center lane closure.

Sound Transit and Metro will brief the Council on a recent proposal made by Sound Transit to implement a “bus intercept” on Mercer Island. This bus intercept would involve certain I-90 corridor Metro and Sound Transit bus routes turning around on Mercer Island and meeting East Link passengers at the Island’s station instead of proceeding to Seattle for such purposes. The scope and impacts of the proposal are under analysis. Sound Transit and Metro will provide an overview of the concept and respond to Council questions about the proposal.

RECOMMENDATION

City Manager

No action required. Receive briefing and provide feedback.



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 2013

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Bruce Bassett called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

Councilmembers Debbie Bertlin, Mike Cero, Mike Grady, Deputy Mayor Dan Grausz, and Mayor Bruce Bassett were present. Councilmembers Jane Brahm and Tana Senn were absent.

City Clerk Ali Spietz introduced new Deputy City Clerk Karin Roberts. She noted that, for the past 16 years, Deputy Clerk Roberts worked in the Finance Department for the City of Woodinville. Most recently Karin handled payroll, but has helped in the Clerk's office many times over the years.

APPEARANCES

Robert Thorpe, 5800 West Mercer Way, spoke about good candidates being attacked during the current election. He stated that one race has two incredible candidates and the other race has two well-meaning people, but he was disturbed by the comments made by one of the candidates regarding Town Center developments.

Ira Appelman, 4436 Ferncroft Road, stated that many people are concerned with over development in the Town Center. He believes that the Legacy project is a sign of a bad decision that was made by the City and Council. He also believes that it is good for candidates to make statements about over development and overcrowding in the Town Center.

MINUTES

Study Session & Regular Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2013

Councilmember Cero provided minor edits, which were incorporated into the October 7, 2013 minutes.

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Grady to:

Adopt the Study Session & Regular Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2013 as written.

Passed 5-0

FOR: 5 (Bassett, Bertlin, Cero, Grady, Grausz)

ABSENT: 2 (Brahm, Senn)

Regular Meeting Minutes of October 22, 2013

Councilmember Cero provided minor edits, which were incorporated into the October 22, 2013 minutes.

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Grausz to:

Adopt the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 22, 2013 as written.

Passed 5-0

FOR: 5 (Bassett, Bertlin, Cero, Grady, Grausz)

ABSENT: 2 (Brahm, Senn)

CONSENT CALENDAR

Payables: \$98,842.19 (10/23/13)

Recommendation: Certify that the materials or services herein before specified have been received and that all warrant numbers listed are approved for payment.

Payroll: \$671,398.98 (11/1/2013)

Recommendation: Certify that the materials or services specified have been received and that all fund warrants are approved for payment.

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Grady to:

Approve the Consent Calendar and the recommendations contained therein.

Passed 5-0

FOR: 5 (Bassett, Bertlin, Cero, Grady, Grausz)

ABSENT: 2 (Brahm, Senn)

REGULAR BUSINESS

AB 4891 Interlocal Agreement Extension with MISD Concerning the Operation of the Mary Wayte Pool

Parks & Recreation Director Bruce Fletcher presented an extension to the interlocal agreement with the Mercer Island School District for the operation of the Mary Wayte Pool. He noted that under the extension agreement the City would provide the District \$125,000 for continued pool operations and maintenance in 2014.

It was moved by Cero; seconded by Grady to:

Authorize the City Manager to enter into a one year Extension Agreement to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Mercer Island and the Mercer Island School District concerning the operation of the Mary Wayte Swimming Pool.

Passed 5-0

FOR: 5 (Bassett, Bertlin, Cero, Grady, Grausz)

ABSENT: 2 (Brahm, Senn)

AB 4884 Amended Draft Shoreline Master Program (First Reading)

DSG Director Scott Greenberg presented an ordinance adopting the City of Mercer Island Shoreline Master Program Update. He reviewed the history of the SMP Update, described the different components of the SMP, and asked for Council direction on two remaining issues, dock width within the first 30 feet of the ordinary high water mark and proposed definitions.

Council discussed the dock width options, ADA compliance issues, and replacement versus new dock width options. Barbara Nightingale from the Department of Ecology answered questions from the Council regarding dock width. Dock builder Ted Burns spoke to the Council about his experience in changing dock widths. DOE Section Manager Eric Stockdale responded to Council questions about pile width, pile spacing, and decking width in determining dock width.

Following discussion, the City Council:

- agreed with the proposed definitions in the ordinance
- directed staff to negotiate with the Department of Ecology for a single five foot wide standard for new and replacement docks
- directed staff to describe how moorage facility width is measured
- directed staff to describe the starting point of the rolling five year period related to legal, non-conforming docks
- requested information on dock width standards adopted by other Lake Washington jurisdictions

AB 4889 Development Services Cost of Service and Cost Recovery Fee Re-Analysis

Finance Director Chip Corder introduced Peter Moy and Nate Reese from FCS Group who presented their findings and an updated analysis. City Manager Conrad stated that the Council should be confident in City staff and the consultants that the systems and methodology for identifying costs and allocating them out appropriately is defensible, reasonable, and predictable.

The majority of the Council stated that they agreed with the staff's recommendation and directed staff to prepare a 2014 development fee resolution that establishes a target cost recovery level of 95% for Building Services, 60% for Planning Services, and 60% for Engineering Services for those DSG costs that are eligible for cost recovery.

Council also directed staff to add an inflation escalator, which would tie the annual permit fee increases in the 2014 development fee resolution to the estimated annual growth in DSG personnel costs rather than the First Half CPI-W.

Staff will implement the DSG timekeeping recommendations from FCS Group effective January 1, 2014.

Staff will submit a service package request as part of the 2015-2016 budget process to conduct another DSG cost of service and cost recovery fee analysis in 2015.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Absences

Councilmember Brahm and Senn's absences were excused.

Planning Schedule

The November 18 meeting will start at 6:00 pm, due to the number of agenda items.

Councilmember Cero objected to the Thrift Shop Bond Ordinance being added to the planning schedule after the Council decided to wait until thrift shop revenue increased. Staff responded as to why the ordinance was back on the schedule.

The Council decided to tentatively cancel the December 16, 2013 Council Meeting.

Councilmember Cero asked if there were any updates regarding I-90 tolling. Deputy City Manager Noel Treat responded that currently there were no updates, but that he anticipates providing an update at the November 18, 2013 meeting.

Board Appointments

There were no appointments.

Councilmember Reports

Deputy Mayor Grausz noted that Island Books celebrated its 40th anniversary and the 30th anniversary of ownership by Roger and Nancy Page over the past weekend.

Mayor Bassett stated that he was recruited by MISD to help with the citizen committee around sustainability. He also spoke about the Governor's bi-partisan Climate Legislative and Executive Workgroup's (CLEW) recent meeting and the development of a Mayor's letter of support.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:11 pm.

Attest:

Bruce Bassett, Mayor

Ali Spietz, City Clerk



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 18, 2013

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Bruce Bassett called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

Councilmembers Debbie Bertlin (arrived 6:15 pm), Jane Brahm, Mike Cero, Mike Grady (arrived 6:05 pm), Tana Senn, Deputy Mayor Dan Grausz, and Mayor Bruce Bassett were present.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Mayor Bassett recognized the Boy Scout and Cub Scout groups in attendance.

Island Books 40th Anniversary Proclamation

Mayor Bruce Bassett recognized Island Books on its 40th anniversary, and Roger and Nancy Page on their 30th anniversary of owning and managing Island Books, and thanked them for the countless hours and dollars they have contributed to the Mercer Island community. He called upon the community to encourage reading, promote literacy, and continue support of this local institution. Roger and Nancy thanked the Council for the recognition and the continued support of Island Books.

APPEARANCES

Susan Blake, 3206 80th Ave SE, presented a copy of the new Mercer Island history book on behalf of the Mercer Island Historical Society. She noted that Councilmember Jane Brahm authored the book with the help of numerous volunteers.

Meg Lippert, Mercer Island resident, was delighted by the recognition of Island Books and the importance of literacy.

Elizabeth Hardisty, 2283 72nd Ave SE, supports the Council's proposed ordinance regulating plastic bags on Mercer Island. She spoke about the issues with and the hazards of plastic bags. She asked that the plastic bags that are allowed by the ordinance be compostable.

Kim Kendall, 6731 West Mercer Way, supports the plastic bag ban. She believes the ban is long overdue and thanked the City Council for taking up the issue.

Carv Zwingle, 6250 East Mercer Way, presented information about why a plastic bag ban is not effective.

Marc Berejka, 8125 SE 79th Street, encouraged the Council to continue to spend dollars on fighting tolling on I-90. He feels that investing in consultants and lawyers to help fight the proposal is well worth it as the cost of tolling will have a great financial impact on all Islanders.

Joy Mastsuura, 7624 West Mercer Way, spoke in opposition of the plastic bag ban ordinance. She noted that plastic bags are often reused and that the bags that will still be allowed, for meat, vegetables, etc., are usually discarded as they may contain bacteria.

Mark Glasser, 3467 77th Place SE, stated that the 2013 surplus should be used for a performing arts center, towards fighting tolling on I-90, or put into a sunny day fund for future investments in the Mercer Island Community.

Carolyn, Rachel, and Leila, students from West Mercer Elementary and members of the school's Green Team, spoke in favor of the proposed plastic bag ban.

Roberta Lewindowski, 4740 86th Ave SE, supports the proposed plastic bag ban. She also appreciates local businesses promoting using reusable bags.

Steph Lee, 4005 96th Ave SE, president of the Green Team at Mercer Island High School, advocated for the ban of plastic bags. She spoke about the volunteer recycling program at the high school.

Eva Zempenyi, 6188 92nd Ave SE, encouraged the Council to approve the appropriation of further funding for fighting the I-90 tolling proposal.

Tom Imrich, 6231 Island Crest Way, is opposed to the proposed ordinance banning plastic bags. He provided statistics regarding paper versus plastic bags.

Joie Roehl, 4315 Fernbrook Drive, is opposed to the proposed ordinance banning plastic bags.

MINUTES

Study Session & Regular Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2013

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Brahm to:

Adopt the Study Session & Regular Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2013 as written.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

Joint Special Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2013

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Brahm to:

Adopt the Joint Special Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2013 as written.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

CONSENT CALENDAR

Payables: \$839,053.84 (10/31/13) & \$745,845.89 (11/6/13)

Recommendation: Certify that the materials or services herein before specified have been received and that all warrant numbers listed are approved for payment.

Payroll: \$684,877.92 (11/15/13)

Recommendation: Certify that the materials or services specified have been received and that all fund warrants are approved for payment.

AB 4890 East Metro Training Group (EMTG) Interlocal Agreement

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute the East Metro Training Group (EMTG) Interlocal Agreement.

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Grady to:

Approve the Consent Calendar and the recommendations contained therein.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

REGULAR BUSINESS

AB 4897 Status Report on City Work Plan to Oppose I-90 Tolling

Deputy City Manager Noel Treat provided a status report on the City's work plan, speaking specifically to the following items:

State Legislature Outreach

- Proposal in Senate to fully fund SR 520 without I-90 tolls
- Discussions underway amongst House and Senate
- May come to a vote in special session in early December

WSDOT Environmental Study

- WSDOT survey mailed out to MI residents and businesses last week. Survey due November 26.
- EIS scoping comment period closed
- City submitted detailed scoping comment letter
- EPA submitted helpful comment letter

Coalition Building

- King County and PSRC scoping regional study and timeline

Federal Issues

- Legal counsel monitoring status with FHWA

Public Information

- Continued email updates

Budget

- \$125,000 appropriation request is included in Mid-Biennial Budget Review for continued legal work regarding the EIS process; state lobbyist; federal level strategy and advocacy; & transportation analysis

Staff will provide Councilmembers an executive summary of the EIS letter prepared by K&L Gates for distribution at the Eastside Transportation Partnership meeting.

AB 4895 Ordinance Regulating Retail Carryout Bags (1st Reading)

Assistant City Attorney Kelly Leonard and Sustainability & Communications Manager Ross Freeman presented an ordinance that regulates the distribution of retail carryout bags by retail establishments. The proposed ordinance prohibits retail establishments from distributing lightweight plastic bags at points of sale; permits the distribution of recyclable paper bags; requires a pass-through charge for recyclable paper bags; and contains an effective date of April 22, 2014 to coincide with Earth Day.

The Council discussed the impact on local storeowners, how much the pass through charge should be, and following the model ordinance that other cities have adopted.

Following discussion the Council asked staff to review the definitions of pass-through charge, recyclable paper bag, and single-use carryout bag to provide clarification.

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Bertlin to:

Set Ordinance No. 13C-13 to December 2, 2013 for a second reading and adoption.

Passed 5-2

FOR: 5 (Bassett, Bertlin, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 2 (Brahm, Cero)

AB 4894 Shoreline Master Program Update (2nd Reading)

Development Services Group Director Scott Greenberg presented the Shoreline Master Program Update ordinance for second reading. He noted that staff met with the Department of Ecology last week and a five foot dock width would not be accepted by DOE.

Director Greenberg presented four options for dock width for the Council to put forth in the ordinance:

1. Five foot dock width
2. Four foot wide dock with exceptions for five foot and six foot wide docks

3. Defer to State and Federal agencies
4. Four foot dock width and modified alternative development standards

He also noted that changes were made to the ordinance to describe how moorage facility width is measured and the starting point of the rolling five-year period related to legal, non-conforming docks.

It was moved by Senn; seconded by Brahm to:

Set Ordinance No. 13C-12 (with Option 1 above) to December 2, 2013 for a third reading and adoption.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AB 4893 Fire Station 92 Project Bid Award

Maintenance Director Glenn Boettcher introduced Project Manager Amy DeDominicis who spoke about why the bid results for the Fire Station 92 project were so high in comparison to the project estimate. She noted that the references for the low bidder, Corp Inc Construction, were very positive from many public bid projects. She stated that the bid is over the project budget, but that there are a few possible funding scenarios for moving forward.

City Manager Conrad spoke about the bid process, bid protests, and looking at the subcontractors bids. Staff will be consulting with the architect and estimator for an explanation of the disparity between the estimate and the bids.

Finance Director Chip Corder presented five funding strategies for the \$394,000 budget shortfall for the project:

1. Use 2013 surplus revenues
2. Postpone replacement of the fire rescue truck
3. Use excess levy proceeds
4. Tap Contingency Fund
5. Issue debt

He also presented a sixth option, a hybrid of #3 and #5, which is to use the levy proceeds from this year and dedicate them to the project budget shortfall for the fire station and then the remaining eight years, dedicate the levy proceeds to fire apparatus sinking fund reserve. He also noted that there will still be a balance to make up, but that it could be covered with surplus real estate excise tax and/or General Fund surplus in 2013.

The Council discussed using the construction contingency to cover the budget shortfall.

It was moved by Brahm; seconded by Bertlin to:

Award the Fire Station 92 Project to Corp Inc. Construction in the amount of \$3,500,000, set the total project budget at \$5,362,305 and direct the City Manager to execute the construction contract.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

It was moved by Brahm; seconded by Grausz to:

Appropriate an additional \$394,305 with \$154,000 coming from excess levy proceeds in 2013 and the balance coming from 2013 surplus revenues.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

It was moved by Brahm; seconded by Grady to:

Direct staff to return to Council on January 6th with information about potential project cost savings.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AB 4892 Public Hearing: 2013-2014 Mid-Biennial Budget Review

City Manager Rich Conrad asked that Council take the Police Department request for early vehicle replacement and the Thrift Shop renovation and expansion project proposals off the table and discuss them at a later date. The Council concurred.

Finance Director Chip Corder introduced the agenda for the presentation and discussion of the 2013-2014 mid-biennial budget review.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 9:10 pm. There being no comments the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Finance Director Chip Corder provided Council with a review of the Third Quarter 2013 Financial Status Report, including information on the General Fund revenue surplus projected for 2013, development (permit) activity, General Fund expenditures, and 2013 REET surplus projections.

He also presented an ordinance amending the 2013-2014 biennial budget including previously approved and new budget requests. Finally, Director Corder presented the following resolutions and ordinances to be adopted:

- 2014 NORCOM budget resolution
- 2014 development and construction permit fees resolution
- 2014 water, sewer, storm water, and EMS utility rate resolutions
- 2014 property tax levy ordinances (levy amount and percentage change)

Utility Board Chair Ben Levie spoke to the Council about the Utility Board's recommendation for utility rate increases, which differ from the planned rate increases per the adopted 2013-2014 budget. He stated that the proposed rate increases would smooth rates over the next five years and allow for the inclusion of the previously deleted water utility project.

It was moved by Brahm; seconded by Grady to:

Suspend the City Council Rules of Procedure 5.2, which requires a second reading for an ordinance.

FOR: 6 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Cero)

It was moved by Brahm seconded by Grady to:

Adopt Ordinance No. 13-14, which amends the 2013-2014 Budget.

It was moved by Cero; seconded by Brahm to:

Amend the previous motion as follows:

Amend the ordinance to remove references to the Police Department request for early vehicle replacements and the Thrift Shop renovation and expansion project.

Motion to Amend Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

Amended Motion Passed 6-1

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

Final text of motion: Adopt Ordinance No. 13-14, which amends the 2013-2014 Budget, removing references to the Police Department request for early vehicle replacements and the Thrift Shop renovation and expansion project.

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Brahm to:

Pass Resolution No. 1469, which approves NORCOM's 2014 budget allocation to the City of Mercer Island.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

It was moved by Grausz; seconded by Grady to:

Pass Resolution No. 1474, which adjusts development and construction permit fees effective January 1, 2014 and thereafter, striking section 2 and renumbering section 3 as section 2.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Cero)

Council directed staff to come back in 2014 with a budget policy that describes how the annual inflation escalator for development fees will be determined.

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Bertlin to:

Pass Resolution No. 1470 (Option 1), which establishes classifications of water users and a schedule of charges for water usage, a schedule of rates for fire service, a schedule of special service charges, meter and service installation charges, and connection charges effective January 1, 2014 and thereafter.

Passed 4-3

FOR: 4 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grady)

AGAINST: 3 (Cero, Grausz, Senn)

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Brahm to:

Pass Resolution No. 1471 (Option 1), which establishes rates and connection charges for sewerage disposal services supplied by the City of Mercer Island effective January 1, 2014 and thereafter.

Passed 5-2

FOR: 5 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grady, Senn)

AGAINST: 2 (Cero, Grausz)

It was moved by Brahm; seconded by Grady to:

Pass Resolution No. 1472, which establishes the bi-monthly service charge for storm and surface water services supplied by the City of Mercer Island effective January 1, 2014 and thereafter.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Grady, Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grausz, Senn)

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Brahm to:

Pass Resolution No. 1473, which establishes the bi-monthly utility fee for the emergency medical and ambulance services supplied by the City of Mercer Island effective January 1, 2014 and thereafter.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Grady, Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grausz, Senn)

It was moved by Brahm; seconded by Bertlin to:

Adopt Ordinance No. 13-15, which appropriates funds and fixes the amount of property taxes to be levied for the year 2014.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Grady, Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Cero)

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Grady to:

Adopt Ordinance No. 13-16, which identifies the dollar amount and percentage increases of the regular property tax levy and the levy lid lift for the year 2014.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Grady, Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Cero)

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Absences

City Manager Conrad announced that this was his last Council meeting as he is retiring earlier than planned. He stated that November 27 will be his last day in the office.

Planning Schedule

The 2014 City Council Planning Session will be January 24-26, 2014

The December 16 council meeting is canceled.

Board Appointments

There were no appointments.

Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Senn spoke about the ribbon cutting for the new dragon at Deane's Children's park.

Deputy Mayor Grausz spoke about a meeting organized by John Hill about the Mercer Island performing arts

center with 70 community attendees, who have taken on the leadership effort for the center.
Councilmember Brahm spoke about the ribbon cutting for the new dragon. She also asked to add an item to the December 2 Council Meeting regarding the Sound Cities Association policy position on international diplomacy funds account legislation. There was consensus to add the item.
Councilmember Bertlin spoke about the Dragon Park re-dedication and the upcoming Mercer Island Preschool Association toy swap
Mayor Bassett spoke about attending the MI High School girl's volleyball state tournament and the National League of Cities conference in Seattle. He also reminded everyone to fill out and return the I-90 survey from WSDOT. He also spoke about the SCA annual meeting on November 20.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:57 pm.

Bruce Bassett, Mayor

Attest:

Ali Spietz, City Clerk



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 2, 2013

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Bruce Bassett called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

Councilmembers Debbie Bertlin, Jane Brahm, Mike Cero, Mike Grady, Tana Senn, Deputy Mayor Dan Grausz, and Mayor Bruce Bassett were present.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Recognition of Councilmember Mike Grady's Service to the Citizens of Mercer Island

Mayor Bruce Bassett read a resolution commending and acknowledging Councilmember Mike Grady's eight years of service on the Mercer Island City Council.

Councilmember Grady spoke about his experience on the Council and what he will miss most. He thanked City staff for their hard work and dedication and thanked his fellow Councilmembers for their service to the citizens. Councilmembers commented on Councilmember Grady's term on the Council and thanked him for his service.

APPEARANCES

Kim Kendall, 6731 West Mercer Way, presented a plastic bag ban petition with 75 signatures. She read some of comments from those that signed the petition. She encouraged the Council to consider regulations about the type of biodegradable bags that are sold. She mentioned that compostable does not mean biodegradable and that making plastic bags from corn based starch is not as efficient as making them from starch potatoes or tapioca root.

Marc Berejka, 8125 SE 79th Street, spoke about the Design Commission looking at a building project north of SE 29th Street. He mentioned that from SE 29th Street north remains the last low-lying set of parcels in the downtown center. He feels strongly that the downtown center lacks any coherent character and believes that there is no clear vision for creating a commercial center. He encouraged the City to promote their vision for downtown and, if there is no vision, to be rigorous and committed about creating one.

Shyam Bharat, 8405 SE 34th Place, spoke about the substantial amount of traffic pressure in his neighborhood and that the new school at 86th Ave SE and SE 40th Street will create more traffic. He also mentioned that the Coval property is being redeveloped which will add even more density. As part of the parks planning effort, he would like to have a trail system connecting upper Luther Burbank to SE 40th Street and a sidewalk going down Snake Hill Road. He also encouraged the creation of a children's park and interpretive trail system in upper Luther Burbank Park.

Diane Oakes, 8417 SE 34th Place, mentioned that it can be treacherous trying to walk from her neighborhood to Luther Burbank Park and would like the City to consider putting in a sidewalk on 84th Ave SE. She also mentioned the need for more signage at upper Luther Burbank. Since there are no benches, natural children's play areas, or interpretive signs, people may not know that it is a public space.

Sarah Ford, 8405 SE 34th Place, mentioned that 84th Ave SE is quite a busy road as it is the only one that goes through the neighborhood. She stated that the new trail through upper Luther Burbank is wonderful, but some people feel uncomfortable walking on the trail in the dark since it is somewhat secluded and unlit. She would like to enhance what upper Luther Burbank Park already has and make it a multi-generational space by adding some interpretive trails and picnic tables.

Tsering Yuthok Short, 8428 SE 34th Place, stated that she has lived in her neighborhood for about 11 years and really enjoys the natural amenities of the neighborhood. She would like to walk more but, because of safety issues, cannot walk on 84th Ave SE after dark. She would like the City to install lights and a sidewalk on 84th Ave SE.

Lael Prock, 7304 Island Crest Way, spoke about the proposed ban on plastic bags. He believes government feels the need to impose more regulations on an already overregulated community and that this is merely the latest environmental fad. He stated that there is no evidence that banning plastic bags helps the environment and plenty of evidence that it hurts the environment. He believes this issue is more about environmental images than environmental benefits.

Craig Keller, PO Box 16716, Seattle, WA, stated that he is a citizen volunteer with Save Our Choice. He believes that the Council has been given misinformation regarding plastic bags. He stated that communities that pass bag bans lose shoppers and thus lose tax revenue. He encouraged the Council not to pass the ban and to put it out to the citizens to let them decide.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Deputy Mayor Grausz requested removal of AB 4900: Roadside Shoulder Improvements East Mercer Way Phase 8 Project Closeout. Councilmember Cero requested removal of AB 4902: King County Commute Trip Reduction Program Implementation Interlocal Agreement and AB 4904: Support for Sound Cities Association's Policy Position on International Diplomacy Funds Account Legislation. Mayor Bassett moved the AB's to the first items of Regular Business.

Payables: \$769,242.14 (11/21/13)

Recommendation: Certify that the materials or services hereinbefore specified have been received and that all warrant numbers listed are approved for payment.

Payroll: \$671,451.24 (11/27/13)

Recommendation: Certify that the materials or services specified have been received and that all fund warrants are approved for payment.

AB 4898 First Amendment to City Manager Employment Agreement

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Brahm to:

Approve the Consent Calendar and the recommendations contained therein.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

REGULAR BUSINESS

AB 4902 King County Commute Trip Reduction Program Implementation Interlocal Agreement

Councilmember Cero spoke against the Interlocal Agreement stating that he believes it is an unnecessary program.

It was moved by Cero; seconded by Brahm to:

Authorize the City Manager to sign the Commute Trip Reduction Program Interlocal Agreement with King County for services from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Cero)

AB 4900 Roadside Shoulder Improvements East Mercer Way Phase 8 Project Close Out

Deputy Mayor Grausz asked questions about the costs for project management and inspection services. He asked staff to review the numbers and provide an explanation.

It was moved by Grausz; seconded by Brahm to:

Accept the completed Roadside Shoulder Improvements East Mercer Way Phase 8 project and authorize staff to close out the contract.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AB 4904 Support for Sound Cities Association's Policy Position on International Diplomacy Funds Account Legislation

Councilmember Brahm requested that the Council discuss the Sound Cities Association's proposed policy position on legislation that would better enable cities to engage in diplomacy efforts with their international sister cities:

The Sound Cities Association supports legislation that would allow cities to open and maintain a bank account for which it may accept or request nonpublic gifts, grants, and donations from citizens and other private sources for use in defraying the costs of appropriate hosting of foreign dignitaries, including appropriate gift-giving and reciprocal gift-giving, and international trade hosting, international relations and international missions activities.

It was moved by Cero; seconded by Brahm to:

Authorize Councilmember Jane Brahm to indicate the City of Mercer Island's support for Sound Cities Association's policy position on international diplomacy funds account legislation.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Cero)

AB 4899 Ordinance Regulating Retail Carryout Bags (Second Reading & Adoption)

Assistant City Attorney Kelly Leonard and Sustainability & Communications Manager Ross Freeman presented the ordinance regarding the regulation of retail carryout bags for second reading and adoption. Staff recommended changes, for clarification purposes only, to the definitions of pass-through charge, recyclable paper bag, and single-use plastic carryout bag.

The Council discussed the changes as well as removing the references to pass-through charges in the ordinance. Assistant City Attorney Leonard explained the amendments that would need to be made to remove the references to pass-through charge.

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Senn to:

Adopt Ordinance No. 13C-13, regulating the distribution of retail carryout bags and requiring retail establishments to collect a pass-through charge from customers requesting recyclable paper carryout bags.

It was moved by Grausz; seconded by Brahm to:

Amend the previous motion as follows:

Adopt modified ordinance No. 13C-13 regulating the distribution of retail carryout bags removing language requiring retail establishments to collect a pass-through charge from customers requesting recyclable paper carryout bags.

Motion to Amend Passed 5-2

FOR: 5 (Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Grausz)

AGAINST: 2 (Bassett, Senn)

Amended Motion Passed 5-2

FOR: 5 (Bassett, Bertlin, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 2 (Brahm, Cero)

The final language of the motion is as follows:

Adopt modified Ordinance No. 13C-13, regulating the distribution of retail carryout bags.

AB 4896 Public Hearing: 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Plan Update (First Reading)

Parks and Recreation Director Bruce Fletcher presented the 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Plan Update. He noted that in order to qualify for state grant funding opportunities, the City must have a current Master Plan adopted by March 3, 2014.

Parks Natural Resources Coordinator Paul West spoke about the current plan, noting that it is an update of the 2007 Parks and Recreation Master Plan. He stated that a firm was hired to do an inventory of facilities to determine a timeline for renovation and replacement, the Parks Department conducted a survey of trail infrastructure, and staff added a new sustainability component. He noted that while there are far too many projects to fund, this plan will be used as a tool when composing the CIP budget proposal.

Jason Kintner, Parks Superintendent, spoke about the prioritization and categorization of identified capital projects. He explained that Priority 1 projects have a diminishing infrastructure with a 0-5 year expected lifespan or repair/replacement window. Priority 2 and 3 projects are on a 5-15 year repair/replacement window and may include user recommended improvements.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 9:20 pm.

Caleb Fenton and Kai Pressey, talked about riding their bikes at Snake Hill in Luther Burbank Park. They stated that they ride there almost every day and have a good time while trying to stay safe. They would like to see the park stay there and they thanked the City for their help in maintaining the park.

City Attorney Katie Knight spoke about the BMX park and safety compliance.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 9:26 pm.

The Council will send individual comments and questions to staff for possible incorporation in the next draft.

AB 4905 Regulation of Solicitors Ordinance

City Attorney Katie Knight presented an ordinance containing regulations regarding solicitors on Mercer Island. She noted that the provisions previously discussed by the Council have been incorporated, including time restraints for soliciting and the licensing of individual solicitors.

Council discussed the provisions of the ordinance and requested a few additional changes as follows:

- add the name of the organization and proof of affiliation with the organization to the application form
- clarification of the definition of solicitor
- have City staff set the license fee
- review when the license should expire, one year from issuance or at calendar year end

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Bertlin to:

Set Ordinance No. 14C-01 regulating solicitors to January 6, 2014 for second reading and adoption.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grady, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Gausz)

Council asked how the City is going to publicize the new soliciting regulations and licensing requirements. City Attorney Knight stated that staff will develop a public information plan describing what the new regulations will mean for citizens and what they will mean for solicitors.

AB 4903 Status Report on City Work Plan to Oppose I-90 Tolling

City Manager Noel Treat provided a verbal report on the City work plan to oppose I-90 tolling. He stated that the City is waiting to see if the State legislature can come to an agreement on a transportation package.

Mayor Bassett mentioned that he met with mayors, business leaders, and state elected officials to discuss the transportation package. He believes that the prospects of reaching a deal seem unlikely.

AB 4901 Shoreline Master Program Update (Third Reading & Adoption)

Development Services Director Scott Greenberg presented the ordinance for third reading and adoption. After the ordinance is adopted, the Department of Ecology will come back with a formal letter with requested and required changes to the adopted Shoreline Master Plan. At that time, staff will come back to council to discuss the comments from the Department of Ecology.

Mayor Bassett mentioned the value in writing a letter that thoughtfully states the reasoning behind the Council's position.

It was moved by Grady; seconded by Grausz to:

Adopt Ordinance No. 13C-12, adopting the City of Mercer Island Shoreline Master Program Update to comply with the Shoreline Management Act as required by RCW 90.58.080.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Grady, Grausz, Senn)

AGAINST: 1 (Cero)

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Absences:

There were no absences.

Planning Schedule:

The Council canceled the December 16, 2013 Regular Meeting.

City Manger Treat noted that a proposed City Legislative Agenda will be brought to the January 6, 2014 meeting, which will be based largely on what AWC and SCA have adopted but will also contain some Mercer Island specific items.

City Manager Treat mentioned that the City Council Planning Session is January 24-26, 2014.

Deputy Mayor Grausz requested that the Fire Station 92 budget be added to the January 6, 2014 meeting agenda.

Council requested an update on the library renovation project.

Councilmember Senn would like to discuss the creation of an Economic Development Committee.

Board Appointments:

There were no appointments.

Councilmember Reports:

Councilmember Grady spoke about his last WRIA 8 meeting.

Councilmember Bertlin noted that she was appointed as an alternate member to serve on the Growth Management Planning Council for Sound Cities Association.

Councilmember Brahm spoke about the Sound Cities Association annual meeting and the Sound Cities Association Women's Leadership breakfast. She also attended the Open Space Conservancy Trust meeting and will be attending an economic development workshop also put on by Sound Cities Association.

Councilmember Senn continues to attend meetings regarding the transportation package and the push for no tolling. She noted that there seems to be a broader breadth of people against tolling than first realized.

Councilmember Cero completed his I-90 tolling survey and was shocked to find out how often his family crosses the I-90 bridge.

Mayor Bassett mentioned that the letter to the CLEW will go out on December 4, there will be an upcoming Sustainability Policy Task Force meeting, and another meeting with Sound Transit has been scheduled later in December. He has been appointed to the Regional Transit Committee for Sound Cities Association.

Councilmember Grady thanked the City Council and believes that the City is in excellent hands. He spoke about motivation and dedication to making this City a leader and having it run smoothly is impeccable. He is so pleased that City Manager Treat is on board. He believes that Mercer Island is very fortunate to have the Council and staff that they do. He reminded everyone to have fun, joke around, and play like a champion.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 11:13 pm.

Bruce Bassett, Mayor

Attest:

Allison Spietz, City Clerk



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 6, 2014

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

City Clerk Ali Spietz called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

Councilmembers Debbie Bertlin, Jane Brahm, Mike Cero, and Tana Senn, Councilmember-Elect Benson Wong, Deputy Mayor Dan Grausz, and Mayor Bruce Bassett were present.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

AB 4908 Councilmember Oaths of Office and Mayor and Deputy Mayor Elections

City Clerk Ali Spietz welcomed the audience and explained the process for administering the oaths of office and conducting the Mayor and Deputy Mayor elections.

Re-elected Councilmember Dan Grausz's wife Clare Meeker administered his Oath of Office.

Re-elected Councilmember Tana Senn's husband Kevin Flaherty and children Rachel and Ben administered her Oath of Office.

Councilmember-Elect Benson Wong's wife Terry Mark administered his Oath of Office.

City Clerk Spietz called for nominations from the floor for the office of Mayor for 2014-2015. Councilmember Brahm nominated Bruce Bassett. There were no other nominations. Councilmember Bassett was elected Mayor by a unanimous voice vote of 7-0.

City Clerk Spietz called for nominations from the floor for the office of Deputy Mayor for 2014-2015. Councilmember Brahm nominated Dan Grausz. There were no other nominations. Councilmember Grausz was elected Deputy Mayor by a unanimous voice vote of 7-0.

City Clerk Spietz administered the Mayoral Oath of Office to Mayor Bassett and the Deputy Mayoral Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Grausz. She then turned the meeting over to Mayor Bassett.

Recognition of Rich Conrad's Service to the City of Mercer Island

Mayor Bassett read a resolution acknowledging and commending former City Manager Rich Conrad for his 35 years of service to the City of Mercer Island.

Rich Conrad spoke about his 35 years of working at the City, he spoke about the unique Mercer Island community and about the dedicated and extraordinary staff that makes Mercer Island so special.

Councilmembers spoke about what they will miss about Rich and thanked him for his service to the City.

Swearing-In of City Manager Noel Treat

Mayor Bassett administered the City Manager Oath of Office to Noel Treat.

APPEARANCES

There were no appearances.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Senn requested removal of the Payables reports from the Consent Calendar. Mayor Bassett moved the Payables reports to the first item of Regular Business.

Payroll: \$672,323.47 (12/13/13) & \$651,901.46 (12/27/13)

Recommendation: Certify that the materials or services specified have been received and that all fund warrants are approved for payment.

It was moved by Bertlin; seconded by Brahm to:

Approve the Consent Calendar and the recommendations contained therein.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grausz, Senn, Wong)

REGULAR BUSINESS

Payables: \$925,749.36 (12/11/13), \$976,782.39 (12/17/13), & \$266,750.88 (12/31/13)

Councilmember Senn asked if the payment for backpack blowers was for gas-powered blowers. City Manager Treat responded that they are gas-powered and that during the next replacement cycle, staff will be looking at more environmentally friendly alternatives.

It was moved by Senn; seconded by Brahm to:

Certify that the materials or services hereinbefore specified have been received and that all warrant numbers listed are approved for payment.

Passed 7-0

FOR: 7 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Grausz, Senn, Wong)

AB 4910 Regulation and Licensing of Solicitors (Second Reading & Adoption)

City Attorney Katie Knight and Police Chief Ed Holmes presented an ordinance regulating and licensing solicitors for second reading and adoption. City Attorney Knight noted that staff made the following changes to the ordinance per Council direction:

- add the name of the organization with which the solicitor is affiliated and proof of the solicitor's affiliation with the organization to the application form;
- clarify the definition of solicitor;
- have City staff set the license fee; and
- set the license expiration at one-year from issuance

The Council discussed amendments to the following provisions for clarification:

- the definition of solicitor as it relates to political doorbelling. MICC 5.16.030(B)(5) was changed to remove "speech or"
- the requirement that a solicitor carry their license at all times. MICC 15.16.070 was changed to add the words "when soliciting" after "at all times"
- the delivery of a newspaper before 10:00 am violating the ordinance. MICC 5.16.030(B)(4) was changed to add "or delivering" after "purpose of displaying" MICC 5.16.030(B)(1) was changed to add "except as otherwise provided in paragraph 4 below"

It was moved by Brahm; seconded by Bertlin to:

Adopt Ordinance No. 14C-01 regulating and licensing solicitors as amended.

Passed 6-1

FOR: 6 (Bassett, Bertlin, Brahm, Cero, Senn, Wong)

AGAINST: 1 (Grausz)

AB 4909 Fire Station 92 Construction Budget

Maintenance Director Glenn Boettcher provided a pre-construction update regarding the Fire Station 92 construction project. He noted that the firefighters have moved into temporary quarters, the construction contract

has been fully executed, asbestos removal has been completed, and building demolition will begin in the next week.

City Manager Treat explained that it was a combination of the estimator not completely understanding and pricing the HVAC equipment and controls correctly and the underestimation of the growth in the market due to increased construction demand that contributed to the disparity between the bid results and the estimate.

Project Manager Amy DeDominicis presented information about possible cost-saving measures to reduce the almost \$400,000 shortfall created by unfavorable bid results for the Fire Station 92 construction project. She noted that the proposal to change the HVAC system could possibly push the project back by two months.

Council directed staff to keep the undergrounding of overhead power along SE 68th Street in the project.

Staff noted that the project team will continue working to identify other opportunities to bring the construction budget down during the project and the results will be shared with Council during project updates throughout construction.

There was consensus from the Council for staff to preserve as much as possible of the construction contingency to address the project budget shortfall.

AB 4907 Draft 2014 Legislative Priorities

Assistant City Manager Kirsten Taylor presented a draft 2014 Legislative Priorities for the City of Mercer Island that reflect the Association of Washington Cities 2014 Legislative Priorities and other potential legislative items of interest to the City.

Following Council discussion, there was consensus to remove one item and add four additional topics. Staff was directed to make the edits and send the final 2014 Legislative Priorities to the City's Legislators: Senator Steve Litzow, Representative Judy Clibborn, and Representative Tana Senn.

The Council discussed follow-up on these legislative priorities and possibly scheduling a debriefing with legislators following the short session.

Attached to these minutes as reference are the final City of Mercer Island 2014 Legislative Priorities.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Absences

There were no absences.

Planning Schedule

City Manager Treat announced that there would be a Study Session on January 21 with Sound Transit, WSDOT and Metro. The Study Session will be from 6-8 pm and the Regular Meeting will begin at 8 pm.

Mayor Bassett announced that there are currently no topics scheduled on Sunday of the Planning Session. The Planning Session may end on Saturday evening if no other issues arise.

The Council moved the February 18 meeting to February 24 due to the mid-winter school break.

The Council moved the April 7 meeting to March 31 due to spring break.

Board Appointments

There were no board appointments.

Mayor Bassett will begin the process of appointing council liaisons to boards, commissions, sub-committees, and regional groups.

Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Brahm spoke about the December Arts Council and ETP meetings. She also reminded all about the upcoming library remodel meeting.

Deputy Mayor Grausz spoke about the City of Seattle swearing-in ceremony.

Councilmember Senn thanked Representative Judy Clibborn for her transportation negotiations, spoke about the life-size whale made out of plastic bags in the lobby in Olympia, stated that she is on three committees in the legislature, and welcomed Benson Wong to the City Council.
Councilmember Cero thanked City Attorney Knight and City Manager Treat for the summary statement of the City's response to EIS for tolling on I-90.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:53 pm.

Bruce Bassett, Mayor

Attest:

Allison Spietz, City Clerk



City of Mercer Island 2014 State Legislative Priorities

The City of Mercer Island supports the following legislative priorities for 2014:

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- **Funding for Highway 520 Without I-90 Tolling**
Support a cost-effective transportation package to fully fund SR-520 through a combination of gas tax and other sources rather than I-90 tolling revenue.

ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON CITIES LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- **Ensure fiscal sustainability and flexibility**
Restore local liquor revenue sharing to the historic revenue sharing formulas. Share new marijuana revenue.
- **Foster and invest in infrastructure and economic development**
Fund transportation needs now, including providing new local transportation options. Halt and refrain from raiding infrastructure funds like the Public Works Trust Fund and Model Toxics Control Accounts and build them back to health.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- **Support Leadership Alliance Against Coal**
Support the Alliance in contributing to the State's analysis of the impacts of coal trains and coal exports on the transportation infrastructure, environment, health, economy, and cultural heritage in Washington State.
- **Support Efforts of Climate Legislative and Executive Workgroup (CLEW)**
Support CLEW efforts through regional influence in policy arenas such as endorsing an approach to greenhouse gas reduction that is bold, comprehensive, and that uses a market-based solution (i.e. cap-and-trade or carbon tax).

PUBLIC RECORDS ACT (PRA) LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- **City-Maintained Email Address Lists**
Urge State Legislators to draft legislation that would exempt city-maintained email address lists from disclosure under the Public Records Act.

AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- **Driverless Electric Vehicle Demonstration Project**
Support legislation that authorizes WSDOT to enter into agreements with municipalities for driverless electric cars pilot projects.

GUN CONTROL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- **Mandatory Background Checks**
Support legislation that would require expanded background checks for all gun sales.

EDUCATION FUNDING LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- **Fully Fund K-12 Education**
Support fully funding basic education and fulfilling the McCleary decision.

CERTIFICATION OF CLAIMS

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered, or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against the City of Mercer Island, and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim.

Charles L. Corder

Finance Director

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the City Council has reviewed the documentation supporting claims paid and approved all checks or warrants issued in payment of claims.

Mayor

Date

<u>Report</u>	<u>Warrants</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Check Register	167694-167845	01/09/14	\$ 449,963.60
			\$ 449,963.60

Accounts Payable Report by Check Number

Check No	Check Date	Vendor Name/Description	PO #	Invoice #	Invoice Date	Check Amount
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00167695	01/09/2014	GARRETT, GLIFFORD OVERPAYMENT REFUND		OH002109	01/02/2014	500.00
00167696	01/09/2014	GET Program PAYROLL EARLY WARRANTS		OH002107	01/10/2014	1,034.50
00167697	01/09/2014	MI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MONTHLY BILLING FOR SERVICES	P80628	OH002111	12/24/2013	1,200.00
00167698	01/09/2014	MI EMPLOYEES ASSOC PAYROLL EARLY WARRANTS		OH002106	01/10/2014	142.50
00167699	01/09/2014	MILLER MD, HOWARD B Medical pymnt for EA client MK	P80612	OH002110	01/06/2014	50.00
00167700	01/09/2014	NEOPOST USA INC Annual postage ACH fee for LB	P80568	456761	12/19/2013	50.00
00167701	01/09/2014	ONMERIT MARKETING LLC Business Development and marke	P80620	16117	01/01/2014	345.00
00167702	01/09/2014	TUGHAN ELECTRIC REFUND DUPLICATE PERMIT		1308262	01/06/2014	93.39
00167703	01/09/2014	UNITED WAY OF KING CO PAYROLL EARLY WARRANTS		OH002108	01/10/2014	191.00
00167704	01/09/2014	VERIZON WIRELESS Monthly charge for Mobile Broa	P80583	9717184487	12/23/2013	40.01
00167705	01/09/2014	WASPC Annual dues for Chief	P80585	DUWS201400190	01/01/2014	305.00
00167706	01/09/2014	WATERSHED COMPANY, THE PUBLIC HEARING EXPENSE		OH002105	01/08/2014	1,310.00
00167707	01/09/2014	BORDEN, MIKE SUPPLIES		OH002104	12/31/2013	280.23
00167708	01/09/2014	CENTURYLINK PHONE USE DECEMBER 2013		OH002084	12/23/2013	1,294.47
00167709	01/09/2014	COMPLETE OFFICE OFFICE SUPPLIES		OH002088	12/31/2013	6,554.51
00167710	01/09/2014	DEPT OF ENTERPRISES SERVICES BUSINESS CARD PRINTING DEC 201		73114914	01/02/2014	47.07
00167711	01/09/2014	GAVIGLIO, MIKE MILEAGE EXPENSE		OH002087	12/21/2013	44.07
00167712	01/09/2014	LEYDE, CASEY MILEAGE EXPENSE		OH002086	12/21/2013	40.89
00167713	01/09/2014	PUGET SOUND ENERGY ENERGY USE DECEMBER 2013		OH002085	12/31/2013	5,181.54
00167714	01/09/2014	EARTHWORK ENTERPRISES INC RETAINAGE	P79194	OH002090	11/27/2013	2,515.07
00167715	01/09/2014	FURY SITE WORKS INC FIRE HYDRANT REPAIR WORK	P80064	CMI112213/113/51	11/21/2013	18,772.39
00167716	01/09/2014	HARRIS COMPUTER SYSTEMS 20%-Implementation/Upgrade ICI	P80636	CT015466	11/30/2013	4,377.81
00167717	01/09/2014	IMS INFRASTRUCTURE MANGT SRVS MADC - Data QA/QC	P79126	130134	11/15/2013	1,686.20
00167718	01/09/2014	KEATING BUCKLIN & MCCORMACK Legal Services Inv #3328	P80499	3328	11/21/2013	618.50
00167719	01/09/2014	KIRSHENBAUM & GOSS INC PS Public Defender	P80504	OH002089	11/07/2013	200.00

Accounts Payable Report by Check Number

Check No	Check Date	Vendor Name/Description	PO #	Invoice #	Invoice Date	Check Amount
00167720	01/09/2014	KUSAK CUT GLASS WORKS Sister City Delegation Gifts	P80590	40066	09/11/2013	147.83
00167721	01/09/2014	LAKESIDE INDUSTRIES 2013 ARTERIAL & RESIDENTIAL OV	P79568	4	11/30/2013	9,956.79
00167722	01/09/2014	MERCER ISLAND FIRE DEPT FIRE INSPECTIONS	P80458	2013014FSI	11/20/2013	210.00
00167723	01/09/2014	MICHAEL & ALEXANDER PLLC Legal Services Inv #12111	P80500	12188	11/25/2013	3,566.58
00167724	01/09/2014	MISD FOOD SERVICE 2013 Senior Meals	P78157	1130131/1231131/	10/31/2013	2,106.75
00167725	01/09/2014	PACIFIC AIR CONTROL INC CITY HALL HVAC MAINT	P80493	169305	10/30/2013	1,580.09
00167726	01/09/2014	PACIFIC NW CONSTRUXION INC EAST SEATTLE STORMWATER	P80617	1308420	09/25/2013	6,183.50
00167727	01/09/2014	SIGNATURE LANDSCAPE SERVICES 2013-14 Open Space Vegetation	P77459	77972	10/31/2013	171.36
00167728	01/09/2014	US TIMBER CUTTERS LLC TREE SERVICE VARIOUS LOCATIONS	P80551	Q405/406/407/408	10/24/2013	8,357.04
00167729	01/09/2014	ANCHOR QEA LLC Shoreline Restoration Design f	P78290	36315/36319/3632	12/19/2013	27,800.36
00167730	01/09/2014	APPLIED ORGANICS INC COMPOST APPLIED	P80506	1312181	12/18/2013	1,231.88
00167731	01/09/2014	CHRISTIANSEN, ANNE Instruction services for Dream	P80467	14321/14416	12/19/2013	1,223.20
00167732	01/09/2014	COMMITTEE FOR MI PUBLIC SCH contract 17752 completed, depo	P80502	17752	12/19/2013	100.00
00167733	01/09/2014	DEDOMINICIS, AMY E FS 92 Project Management	P76634	501379	11/01/2013	2,350.00
00167734	01/09/2014	EASTSIDE EXTERMINATORS Extermination services for Lid	P80527	OH002092	12/13/2013	101.29
00167735	01/09/2014	FIRE PROTECTION INC Provide, install and program n	P80487	15657	12/18/2013	1,078.58
00167736	01/09/2014	HEALTHFORCE PARTNERS LLC DOT PHYSICAL FOR B.ROCK	P80553	18102	12/18/2013	312.00
00167737	01/09/2014	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE JOB SITE BOX	P80443	018852/2011370	12/18/2013	708.47
00167738	01/09/2014	HONEYWELL, MATTHEW V Public Defender Inv #775	P80498	775	12/17/2013	250.00
00167739	01/09/2014	INTERCOM LANGUAGE SERVICES INC Interpreting Services	P80575	13258	12/05/2013	400.00
00167740	01/09/2014	JEWEL HOSPITALITY Contract 16963 complete, depos	P80503	16963	12/19/2013	310.00
00167741	01/09/2014	JOHNSON, JEFFREY WAYNE Instruction services for	P80468	14428	12/19/2013	247.80
00167742	01/09/2014	K&L GATES LLC FHWA/Congress INV #2870289 Fil	P80515	2870289/2870288	12/05/2013	10,082.40
00167743	01/09/2014	KC ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN SERVICES Contract 16182 completed, depo	P80485	16182	12/19/2013	50.00
00167744	01/09/2014	KEATING BUCKLIN & MCCORMACK Legal Services INV #3515 Clie	P80505	3515	12/11/2013	14,249.95
00167745	01/09/2014	KROESENS INC MP uniform Levinson	P80542	8138/8139	12/17/2013	359.49

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00167747	01/09/2014	MI HARDWARE - P&R Custodial supplies for MICEC	P80526	OH002091	11/30/2013	100.48
00167748	01/09/2014	NITTROUER, DEBORAH A Instruction services for Pre-B	P80469	14310	12/19/2013	71.68
00167749	01/09/2014	NORTH LAKE MARINA- SERVICE FOR PATROL 11	P80521	7095	12/17/2013	1,829.84
00167750	01/09/2014	PACIFIC RIM EQUIPMENT RENTAL EXCAVATOR RENTAL	P80605	4692	12/18/2013	852.03
00167751	01/09/2014	POT O' GOLD INC Coffee Supplies, December 2013	P80518	238108	12/17/2013	304.16
00167752	01/09/2014	SCORE 7 DAYS OF JAIL USE	P80537	569	12/16/2013	945.00
00167753	01/09/2014	SEATTLE, CITY OF November 2013 Water Purchases	P80379	OH002093	12/13/2013	99,653.75
00167754	01/09/2014	SOREANO'S PLUMBING INC REPAIR LEAK/BROKEN PIPES FIRE	P80490	36506	12/09/2013	889.58
00167755	01/09/2014	TEC MECHANICAL SERVICES CITY HALL BOILER CONTROLS	P80491	102686/5942	11/27/2013	526.71
00167756	01/09/2014	VAN, MARY Zumba Instructor payment for	P80486	OH002094	12/19/2013	105.00
00167757	01/09/2014	AKANA, JANELLE H Instruction services for Enhan	P80569	14276	12/31/2013	271.20
00167758	01/09/2014	ARTECH Repair two art pieces (Extraor	P80466	0093003IN	12/13/2013	8,934.11
00167759	01/09/2014	BUILDERS EXCHANGE OF WA FS 92 PLANS ONLINE	P80522	1039877	12/11/2013	108.30
00167760	01/09/2014	CASCADE KENDO-KAI Instruction services for Kendo	P80556	13993/13992	12/30/2013	1,480.92
00167761	01/09/2014	CHEMAQUA WATER TREATMENT PROGRAM	P80544	1344291	12/16/2013	803.18
00167762	01/09/2014	CONFIDENTIAL DATA DISPOSAL Shredding	P80586	71618	12/31/2013	100.00
00167763	01/09/2014	CORNELL AND ASSOCIATES Rental ass't for EA client (VC	P80557	OH002098	12/30/2013	600.00
00167764	01/09/2014	CRYSTAL AND SIERRA SPRINGS Monthly water delivery to Thri	P75977	5279422122213	12/22/2013	55.27
00167765	01/09/2014	CRYSTAL SPRINGS Coffee supplies for MICEC	P80488	13123243122713	12/27/2013	522.49
00167766	01/09/2014	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WATERWORKS OPERATOR CERTIFICAT	P80520	OH002095	12/20/2013	42.00
00167767	01/09/2014	DRAIN-PRO INC SEWER MAIN VIDEO INSPECTIONS F	P78405	29264	11/29/2013	6,834.30
00167768	01/09/2014	EARTHCORPS INC 2013-14 Volunteer Recruitment,	P76190	4326/4370	11/30/2013	4,584.20
00167769	01/09/2014	FEDEX OFFICE Shipping for CTC MOST of Us su	P80555	249456301	12/13/2013	116.82
00167770	01/09/2014	HI LAKERS contract 15962 completed, depo	P80559	15962	12/31/2013	50.00
00167771	01/09/2014	KC RECORDER LIEN RELEASE 3 LINDLEY RD	P80563	OH002097	12/30/2013	72.00

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00167774	01/09/2014	OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED Replacement desk extension pie	P80342	335482	12/04/2013	221.73
00167775	01/09/2014	OVERLAKE OIL 950 GAL UNLEADED FUEL DELIVERY	P80613	0164305/394/393	12/13/2013	7,017.02
00167776	01/09/2014	PACIFIC AIR CONTROL INC CITY HALL REPAIRS	P80492	169921	11/29/2013	656.45
00167777	01/09/2014	PACIFIC NW NAGINATA FEDERATION Instruction services for Nagin	P80567	13824	12/31/2013	1,046.50
00167778	01/09/2014	PAULETTO, MAUDE Drop in students for Yoga - Ha	P80570	14260	12/31/2013	37.80
00167779	01/09/2014	POT O' GOLD INC Rental Equipment December 2013	P80587	238438	12/31/2013	27.38
00167780	01/09/2014	RICOH USA INC Cost Per Copy/Fire	P80598	5028795580	12/20/2013	156.96
00167781	01/09/2014	SAFELITE FULFILLMENT INC WINDSHIELD REPAIR FOR FL-0385	P80619	01804383160/3161	12/20/2013	359.02
00167782	01/09/2014	SEA WESTERN INC Annual Compressor Service	P80539	173355	12/22/2013	1,538.48
00167783	01/09/2014	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO, THE PAINT FOR COMM CNTR	P80595	17179/17161	12/30/2013	275.57
00167784	01/09/2014	SPENCER, FREDERICK E CBT Instructor	P80516	OH002096	12/20/2013	270.00
00167785	01/09/2014	UNITED SITE SERVICES Portable toilet rental and ser	P80614	1141733925/26/27	12/18/2013	556.30
00167786	01/09/2014	XEROX CORPORATION December 2013 Base Charges for	P80100	701711754	12/31/2013	769.43
00167787	01/09/2014	ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL INVENTORY PURCHASES	P80546	15772	12/16/2013	361.35
00167788	01/09/2014	AIRGAS USA LLC Oxygen/Fire	P80601	9023038453/25971	12/12/2013	88.88
00167789	01/09/2014	AMERICAN EXPRESS (CCMV) Supplies for MICEC All staff m	P80578	93311DEC2013B	12/28/2013	52.11
00167790	01/09/2014	AMERICAN EXPRESS (YFS) Costco - YFS supplies for Food	P80581	93311DEC2013A	12/28/2013	201.90
00167791	01/09/2014	ARC - PACIFIC NORTHWEST DECEMBER PRINTING CHARGES	P80651	547908/548223	12/09/2013	20.46
00167792	01/09/2014	CADMAN INC 5/8"-MINUS ROCK (64.74 TONS)	P80604	5269828/5270572	12/16/2013	1,337.25
00167793	01/09/2014	CASCADE ARCH & ENG SUPPLIES CO COLOR INK JET OPAQUE BOND	P80512	458634	12/16/2013	543.43
00167794	01/09/2014	CINTAS CORPORATION #460 Rug cleaning services for LB A	P75867	460787038	12/19/2013	70.54
00167795	01/09/2014	COMCAST CITY HALL HIGH SPEED INTERNET	P75818	OH002100	12/12/2013	105.90
00167796	01/09/2014	COMCAST 2013 High Speed Connection Cha	P76540	OH002099	12/11/2013	105.90
00167797	01/09/2014	CUMMINS NORTHWEST INC PORTABLE GENERATOR TEMP QTRS S	P80592	00187934	12/20/2013	306.25

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00167800	01/09/2014	H D FOWLER INVENTORY PURCHASES	P80446	I3533911/I353392	12/05/2013	1,605.36
00167801	01/09/2014	LN CURTIS & SONS Breakfree Lubrican Aerosol	P80541	211033300	12/12/2013	31.06
00167802	01/09/2014	NORDIC SERVICES INC Emergency window repair/burgla	P80552	262355	12/23/2013	200.00
00167803	01/09/2014	NW ARBORICULTURE LLC Gallagher Hill tree services	P80280	5309	12/09/2013	1,033.90
00167804	01/09/2014	PLATT ELECTRIC BALLASTS	P80445	302073/232977/29	12/04/2013	281.76
00167805	01/09/2014	REMOTE SATELLITE SYSTEMS INT'L Monthly sat phone fee	P80530	00061537	12/04/2013	48.95
00167806	01/09/2014	RESTORATION LOGISTICS LLC 2013-14 Open Space Vegetation	P77668	1103	12/13/2013	37,511.50
00167807	01/09/2014	SEATTLE PUBLIC UTILITIES WATER QUALITY LABORATORY SERVI	P80534	W0077173	12/16/2013	188.00
00167808	01/09/2014	SOUND SAFETY PRODUCTS SAFETY BOOTS & MISC. WORK CLOT	P80510	502918301	12/10/2013	1,193.43
00167809	01/09/2014	STERLING REFERENCE LAB Lab fees for C.Harnish clients	P80554	F2029089	12/16/2013	35.00
00167810	01/09/2014	STRATEGIES 360 I-90 Lobbying & Communications	P80589	772110724	01/01/2014	4,000.00
00167811	01/09/2014	SUPPLY SOURCE, THE INVENTORY PURCHASES	P80511	1304438	12/17/2013	784.91
00167812	01/09/2014	TRUE VALUE CONSTRUCTION DEPT Propane for Marine Patrol	P80625	OH002101	12/31/2013	13.11
00167813	01/09/2014	TUSCAN ENTERPRISES INC Caution Signs	P80543	765422	12/16/2013	383.25
00167814	01/09/2014	USABlueBook MAGNETS	P80517	222374/222136	12/12/2013	155.48
00167815	01/09/2014	ACTIVE NETWORK INC, THE Annual Maintenance and Support	P80609	4100066069	12/17/2013	17,661.74
00167816	01/09/2014	ALLIANCE PRINTING Seattle Wedding Show promotion	P80560	18540	12/20/2013	498.23
00167817	01/09/2014	AT&T MOBILITY Cell Charges/Fire	P80624	2831338X01022014	12/24/2013	235.63
00167818	01/09/2014	BLUMENTHAL UNIFORMS Fire Marshal Badge/Mair	P80599	45075	12/30/2013	142.35
00167819	01/09/2014	BUILDERS HARDWARE & SUPPLY CO. ADJUST DOORS CITY HALL AND POL	P80593	S3293825001	12/17/2013	147.72
00167820	01/09/2014	CESSCO REPAIR & SERVICE CUTOFF SAW	P80561	2188	12/18/2013	876.76
00167821	01/09/2014	CLEANERS PLUS 1 Police uniform cleaning	P80663	73578	01/02/2014	234.77
00167822	01/09/2014	COMPTON LUMBER & HARDWARE INC TREATED LUMBER	P80547	727595	12/17/2013	2,303.70
00167823	01/09/2014	DATAQUEST LLC Background search EMAC vols	P80660	CMI20131231	12/31/2013	286.50

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00167825	01/09/2014	FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS INT'L Install MP truck canopy	P80661	13766	12/18/2013	65.28
00167826	01/09/2014	FITNESS INSTALLERS & TECH INC Cleaning and sealing of Fitness	P80572	MICEC1	12/29/2013	1,966.64
00167827	01/09/2014	ISSAQUAH CITY JAIL November beds	P80538	0450007535	12/18/2013	2,700.00
00167828	01/09/2014	KING COUNTY FINANCE 1 booking, 1 day KCJ	P80662	3000685	12/18/2013	343.02
00167829	01/09/2014	KROESENS INC Academy uniform Boyce	P80528	17418	12/17/2013	154.40
00167830	01/09/2014	MICHAEL SKAGGS ASSOCIATES JANITORIAL SERVICES CITY HALL	P80495	13724	12/31/2013	9,297.24
00167831	01/09/2014	MORRIS-HANSEN ENT INC N FIRE STATION WINDOWS & GUTTE	P80606	41458	12/27/2013	306.30
00167832	01/09/2014	OWEN EQUIPMENT COMPANY WATER FILTER FOR FL-0380	P80536	00069970	12/19/2013	122.91
00167833	01/09/2014	PACIFIC AIR CONTROL INC POLICE OFFICE CLIMATE CONTROL	P80591	170326	12/17/2013	308.24
00167834	01/09/2014	PARENTMAP December advertising for Recre	P80607	1213647	12/31/2013	200.00
00167835	01/09/2014	PLATT ELECTRIC MATERIALS TO INSTALL FOUR LIGH	P80588	B404386/408997/3	12/19/2013	790.69
00167836	01/09/2014	S&B INC 3 VOLT BATTERY REPLACEMENTS AT	P80533	SB23590	12/18/2013	328.50
00167837	01/09/2014	SECURITY SAFE & LOCK Keys for patrol boats	P80529	456519	12/17/2013	123.79
00167838	01/09/2014	STERLING REFERENCE LAB Lab fees for C.Hamish clients	P80580	F2029090	12/30/2013	37.80
00167839	01/09/2014	USABlueBook 2-1/2" PART F COUPLING	P80550	225180	12/17/2013	362.28
00167840	01/09/2014	VERIZON WIRELESS MONTHLY VOICE & DATA - Nov 24-	P80640	9717184483	12/23/2013	256.01
00167841	01/09/2014	VERIZON WIRELESS December cell phone fee	P80584	9717184481	12/23/2013	1,063.12
00167842	01/09/2014	WA ST REVENUE 4TH QTR LEASEHOLD EXCISE TAX 2	P76082	OH002103	12/31/2013	2,956.76
00167843	01/09/2014	WHISTLE WORKWEAR MISC. WORK CLOTHES	P80565	80299	12/21/2013	71.92
00167844	01/09/2014	XEROX CORPORATION Admin copier fee	P80623	071942238/2236	01/01/2014	475.07
00167845	01/09/2014	LEOFF HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST LEOFF H&W TRUST JAN 14 RETIREE		OH002112	01/09/2014	54,041.87
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P80502	00167732	COMMITTEE FOR MI PUBLIC SCH	contract 17752 completed, depo	100.00
P80558	00167694	EASTSIDE TRAVELING LEAGUE	contract 17472 complete, depos	50.00
P80485	00167743	KC ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN SERVICES	Contract 16182 completed, depo	50.00
P80559	00167770	HI LAKERS	contract 15962 completed, depo	50.00
<i>Org Key: 402000 - Water Fund-Admin Key</i>				
P80603	00167800	H D FOWLER	INVENTORY PURCHASES	784.23
P80511	00167811	SUPPLY SOURCE, THE	INVENTORY PURCHASES	784.91
P80602	00167800	H D FOWLER	INVENTORY PURCHASES	765.33
	00167695	GARRETT, GLIFFORD	OVERPAYMENT REFUND	500.00
P80546	00167787	ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL	INVENTORY PURCHASES	361.35
P80548	00167799	GRAINGER	INVENTORY PURCHASES	142.08
<i>Org Key: 814072 - United Way</i>				
	00167703	UNITED WAY OF KING CO	PAYROLL EARLY WARRANTS	191.00
<i>Org Key: 814075 - Mercer Island Emp Association</i>				
	00167696	GET Program	PAYROLL EARLY WARRANTS	1,034.50
	00167698	MI EMPLOYEES ASSOC	PAYROLL EARLY WARRANTS	142.50
<i>Org Key: CA1100 - Administration (CA)</i>				
P80505	00167744	KEATING BUCKLIN & MCCORMACK	Legal Services INV #3515 Clie	14,249.95
P80501	00167723	MICHAEL & ALEXANDER PLLC	Legal Services Inv #12111	2,262.26
P80500	00167723	MICHAEL & ALEXANDER PLLC	Legal Services Inv#12188	1,304.32
P80499	00167718	KEATING BUCKLIN & MCCORMACK	Legal Services Inv #3328	618.50
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	47.49
<i>Org Key: CA1200 - Prosecution & Criminal Mngmnt</i>				
P80498	00167738	HONEYWELL, MATTHEW V	Public Defender Inv #775	250.00
P80504	00167719	KIRSHENBAUM & GOSS INC PS	Public Defender	200.00
<i>Org Key: CM1100 - Administration (CM)</i>				
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	61.31
<i>Org Key: CM11SP - Special Projects-City Mgr</i>				
P80515	00167742	K&L GATES LLC	NEPA I-90 INV #2870288 File #2	8,281.90
P80589	00167810	STRATEGIES 360	I-90 Lobbying & Communications	4,000.00
P80515	00167742	K&L GATES LLC	FHWA/Congress INV #2870289 Fil	1,800.50
<i>Org Key: CO6100 - City Council</i>				
P80574	00167746	KUSAK CUT GLASS WORKS	R. Conrad Recognition	197.10
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	69.34
<i>Org Key: CO6500 - Sister City Program</i>				
P80590	00167720	KUSAK CUT GLASS WORKS	Sister City Delegation Gifts	147.83
<i>Org Key: CR1100 - CORe Admin and Human Resources</i>				
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	57.95
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
<i>Org Key: CR1300 - Payroll Services</i>				

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	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	56.99
<i>Org Key: DS0000 - Development Services-Revenue</i>				
	00167706	WATERSHED COMPANY, THE	PUBLIC HEARING EXPENSE	1,310.00
	00167702	TUGHAN ELECTRIC	REFUND DUPLICATE PERMIT	93.39
<i>Org Key: DS1100 - Administration (DS)</i>				
P80640	00167840	VERIZON WIRELESS	MONTHLY VOICE & DATA - Nov 24-	256.01
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	70.11
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P80651	00167791	ARC - PACIFIC NORTHWEST	DECEMBER PRINTING CHARGES	20.46
<i>Org Key: FN1100 - Administration (FN)</i>				
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	172.96
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	40.23
<i>Org Key: FN4501 - Utility Billing (Water)</i>				
	00167707	BORDEN, MIKE	SUPPLIES	280.23
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
<i>Org Key: FN4502 - Utility Billing (Sewer)</i>				
P80563	00167771	KC RECORDER	LIEN RELEASE 3 LINDLEY RD	72.00
<i>Org Key: FNBE01 - Financial Services</i>				
P80628	00167697	MI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	MONTHLY BILLING FOR SERVICES	1,200.00
<i>Org Key: FR1100 - Administration (FR)</i>				
P80606	00167831	MORRIS-HANSEN ENT INC	N FIRE STATION WINDOWS & GUTTE	306.30
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	268.00
P80540	00167813	TUSCAN ENTERPRISES INC	Caution Signs	164.25
P80598	00167780	RICOH USA INC	Cost Per Copy/Fire	156.96
<i>Org Key: FR2100 - Fire Operations</i>				
P80539	00167782	SEA WESTERN INC	Annual Compressor Service	1,538.48
P80600	00167817	AT&T MOBILITY	Cell Charges/Fire	190.14
P80599	00167818	BLUMENTHAL UNIFORMS	Fire Marshal Badge/Mair	142.35
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	87.72
P80597	00167824	DAY WIRELESS SYSTEMS (03)	Program 800 MHz for New Engine	84.87
<i>Org Key: FR2400 - Fire Suppression</i>				
P80541	00167801	LN CURTIS & SONS	Breakfree Lubrican Aerosol	31.06
<i>Org Key: FR2500 - Fire Emergency Medical Svcs</i>				
P80601	00167788	AIRGAS USA LLC	Oxygen/Fire	88.88
<i>Org Key: FR4100 - Training</i>				
P80516	00167784	SPENCER, FREDERICK E	CBT Instructor	270.00
<i>Org Key: GGM001 - General Government-Misc</i>				
P80518	00167751	POT O' GOLD INC	Coffee Supplies, December 2013	304.16
P75818	00167795	COMCAST	CITY HALL HIGH SPEED INTERNET	105.90

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P80512	00167793	CASCADE ARCH & ENG SUPPLIES CO	COLOR INK JET OPAQUE BOND	543.43
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	478.15
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	142.28
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	140.88
P80568	00167700	NEOPOST USA INC	Annual postage ACH fee for LB	50.00
<i>Org Key: GGM005 - Genera Govt-L1 Retiree Costs</i>				
	00167845	LEOFF HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST	LEOFF H&W TRUST JAN 14 RETIREE	6,273.93
<i>Org Key: GX9997 - Employee Benefits-Fire</i>				
	00167845	LEOFF HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST	LEOFF H&W TRUST JAN 14 ACTIVE	47,767.94
<i>Org Key: IS2100 - IGS Network Administration</i>				
	00167708	CENTURYLINK	PHONE USE DECEMBER 2013	791.72
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
<i>Org Key: MT2100 - Roadway Maintenance</i>				
P80588	00167835	PLATT ELECTRIC	MATERIALS TO INSTALL FOUR LIGH	790.69
P80561	00167820	CESSCO	REPAIR & SERVICE CUTOFF SAW	29.94
	00167713	PUGET SOUND ENERGY	ENERGY USE DECEMBER 2013	13.50
<i>Org Key: MT2255 - Urban Forest Management (ROW)</i>				
P80551	00167728	US TIMBER CUTTERS LLC	TREE SERVICE VARIOUS LOCATIONS	8,357.04
<i>Org Key: MT2500 - ROW Administration</i>				
P80545	00167808	SOUND SAFETY PRODUCTS	SAFETY BOOTS & MISC. WORK CLOT	314.59
	00167711	GAVIGLIO, MIKE	MILEAGE EXPENSE	14.69
<i>Org Key: MT3000 - Water Service Upsizes and New</i>				
P80604	00167792	CADMAN INC	5/8"-MINUS ROCK (64.74 TONS)	481.41
<i>Org Key: MT3100 - Water Distribution</i>				
P80562	00167820	CESSCO	SAW CART, MOUNTING KIT & WATER	700.64
P80604	00167792	CADMAN INC	5/8"-MINUS ROCK (64.74 TONS)	481.41
P80533	00167836	S&B INC	3 VOLT BATTERY REPLACEMENTS AT	328.50
P80550	00167839	USABlueBook	2-1/2" PART F COUPLING	187.08
P80550	00167839	USABlueBook	2) 2-1/2" PART B COUPLING	175.20
P80517	00167814	USABlueBook	MAGNETS	126.60
P80561	00167820	CESSCO	REPAIR & SERVICE CUTOFF SAW	29.94
P80517	00167814	USABlueBook	2-1/2" CAM LOCK GASKETS (10 PK	28.88
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
<i>Org Key: MT3300 - Water Associated Costs</i>				
P80507	00167808	SOUND SAFETY PRODUCTS	MISC. WORK CLOTHES	404.44
P80508	00167808	SOUND SAFETY PRODUCTS	SAFETY BOOTS & MISC. WORK CLOT	205.81
<i>Org Key: MT3400 - Sewer Collection</i>				
P78405	00167767	DRAIN-PRO INC	SEWER MAIN VIDEO INSPECTIONS F	6,834.30
P80561	00167820	CESSCO	REPAIR & SERVICE CUTOFF SAW	28.17
<i>Org Key: MT3500 - Sewer Pumps</i>				

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	00167708	CENTURYLINK	PHONE USE DECEMBER 2013	502.75
P80549	00167799	GRAINGER	GREASE GUN, 12 VOLT	165.26
	00167712	LEYDE, CASEY	MILEAGE EXPENSE	40.89
P80561	00167820	CESSCO	REPAIR & SERVICE CUTOFF SAW	29.94
<i>Org Key: MT3600 - Sewer Associated Costs</i>				
	00167711	GAVIGLIO, MIKE	MILEAGE EXPENSE	29.38
<i>Org Key: MT3800 - Storm Drainage</i>				
P80561	00167820	CESSCO	REPAIR & SERVICE CUTOFF SAW	28.17
<i>Org Key: MT4101 - Support Services - General Fd</i>				
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	79.50
P80532	00167736	HEALTHFORCE PARTNERS LLC	DOT PHYSICAL FOR B.ROCK	49.00
<i>Org Key: MT4150 - Support Services - Clearing</i>				
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	60.35
<i>Org Key: MT4200 - Building Services</i>				
P80495	00167830	MICHAEL SKAGGS ASSOCIATES	JANITORIAL SERVICES CITY HALL	4,294.25
P80493	00167725	PACIFIC AIR CONTROL INC	CITY HALL HVAC MAINT	1,580.09
P80491	00167755	TEC MECHANICAL SERVICES	CITY HALL BOILER CONTROLS	1,293.21
P80490	00167754	SOREANO'S PLUMBING INC	REPAIR LEAK/BROKEN PIPES FIRE	889.58
P80544	00167761	CHEMAQUA	WATER TREATMENT PROGRAM	803.18
P80492	00167776	PACIFIC AIR CONTROL INC	CITY HALL REPAIRS	656.45
P80445	00167804	PLATT ELECTRIC	BALLASTS	380.23
P80591	00167833	PACIFIC AIR CONTROL INC	POLICE OFFICE CLIMATE CONTROL	308.24
P80592	00167797	CUMMINS NORTHWEST INC	PORTABLE GENERATOR TEMP QTRS S	306.25
P80446	00167800	H D FOWLER	REPAIR CLAMP & 6" COUPLINGS	334.86
P80593	00167819	BUILDERS HARDWARE & SUPPLY CO.	ADJUST DOORS CITY HALL AND POL	147.72
P80445	00167804	PLATT ELECTRIC	CREDIT-RETURNED BALLAST	-98.47
P80446	00167800	H D FOWLER	CREDIT-RETURNED REPAIR CLAMP &	-279.06
P80491	00167755	TEC MECHANICAL SERVICES	LABOR CREDIT	-766.50
<i>Org Key: MT4300 - Fleet Services</i>				
P80613	00167775	OVERLAKE OIL	950 GAL UNLEADED FUEL DELIVERY	2,882.30
P80613	00167775	OVERLAKE OIL	650 GAL. UNLEADED FUEL DELIVER	2,088.52
P80521	00167749	NORTH LAKE MARINA-	SERVICE FOR PATROL 11	1,829.84
P80613	00167775	OVERLAKE OIL	400 GAL DIESEL DELIVERY	1,399.56
P80613	00167775	OVERLAKE OIL	181 GAL DIESEL DELIVERY	646.64
P80619	00167781	SAFELITE FULFILLMENT INC	WINDSHIELD REPAIR FOR FL-0385	220.85
P80619	00167781	SAFELITE FULFILLMENT INC	REPAIR WINDSHIELD FOR FL-0359	138.17
P80536	00167832	OWEN EQUIPMENT COMPANY	WATER FILTER FOR FL-0380	122.91
<i>Org Key: MT4450 - Cust Resp - Clearing Acct</i>				
P80520	00167766	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	WATERWORKS OPERATOR	42.00
<i>Org Key: MT4501 - Water Administration</i>				
P80379	00167753	SEATTLE, CITY OF	November 2013 Water Purchases	99,653.75
P80534	00167807	SEATTLE PUBLIC UTILITIES	WATER QUALITY LABORATORY	188.00
<i>Org Key: PO1100 - Administration (PO)</i>				
P80584	00167841	VERIZON WIRELESS	December cell phone fee	1,063.12

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P80585	00167705	WASPC	Annual dues for Chief	305.00
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	47.85
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	27.38
<i>Org Key: PO1350 - Police Emergency Management</i>				
P80660	00167823	DATAQUEST LLC	Background search EMAC vols	286.50
P80530	00167805	REMOTE SATELLITE SYSTEMS INT'L	Monthly sat phone fee	48.95
<i>Org Key: PO1700 - Records and Property</i>				
P80623	00167844	XEROX CORPORATION	Records copier fee	253.30
P80623	00167844	XEROX CORPORATION	Admin copier fee	221.77
P80586	00167762	CONFIDENTIAL DATA DISPOSAL	Shredding	100.00
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
<i>Org Key: PO1900 - Jail/Home Monitoring</i>				
P80538	00167827	ISSAQUAH CITY JAIL	November beds	2,700.00
P80537	00167752	SCORE	7 DAYS OF JAIL USE	945.00
P80662	00167828	KING COUNTY FINANCE	1 booking, 1 day KCJ	343.02
<i>Org Key: PO2100 - Patrol Division</i>				
P80663	00167821	CLEANERS PLUS 1	Police uniform cleaning	234.77
P80552	00167802	NORDIC SERVICES INC	Emergency window repair/burgla	200.00
P80528	00167829	KROESENS INC	Academy uniform Boyce	154.40
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	80.46
<i>Org Key: PO2200 - Marine Patrol</i>				
P80542	00167745	KROESENS INC	MP uniform Levinson	266.04
P80543	00167813	TUSCAN ENTERPRISES INC	Lettering on MP truck replaced	219.00
P80529	00167837	SECURITY SAFE & LOCK	Keys for patrol boats	123.79
P80542	00167745	KROESENS INC	MP uniform Levinson	93.45
P80661	00167825	FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS INT'L	Install MP truck canopy	65.28
P80625	00167812	TRUE VALUE CONSTRUCTION DEPT	Propane for Marine Patrol	13.11
<i>Org Key: PO2201 - Dive Team</i>				
P80553	00167736	HEALTHFORCE PARTNERS LLC	Dive team physical	263.00
<i>Org Key: PO3100 - Investigation Division</i>				
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	67.61
P80624	00167817	AT&T MOBILITY	Wireless service for Investiga	45.49
<i>Org Key: PR0000 - Parks & Recreation-Revenue</i>				
P76082	00167842	WA ST REVENUE	4TH QTR LEASEHOLD EXCISE TAX 2	1,315.82
<i>Org Key: PR1100 - Administration (PR)</i>				
P80609	00167815	ACTIVE NETWORK INC, THE	Annual Maintenance and Support	17,661.74
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	120.18
<i>Org Key: PR1500 - Urban Forest Management</i>				
P80280	00167803	NW ARBORICULTURE LLC	Gallagher Hill tree services	1,033.90
<i>Org Key: PR2100 - Recreation Programs</i>				
P80467	00167731	CHRISTIANSEN, ANNE	Instruction services for Dream	707.70
P80467	00167731	CHRISTIANSEN, ANNE	Instruction services for Dream	515.50
P80468	00167741	JOHNSON, JEFFREY WAYNE	Instruction services for	247.80

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P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	19.32
<i>Org Key: PR2108 - Health and Fitness</i>				
P80567	00167777	PACIFIC NW NAGINATA FEDERATION	Instruction services for Nagin	1,046.50
P80556	00167760	CASCADE KENDO-KAI	Instruction services for Kendo	909.86
P80556	00167760	CASCADE KENDO-KAI	Instruction services for Kendo	571.06
P80525	00167757	AKANA, JANELLE H	Instruction services for Enhan	162.00
P80569	00167757	AKANA, JANELLE H	Drop in students for Power Fle	109.20
P80469	00167748	NITTROUER, DEBORAH A	Instruction services for Pre-B	71.68
P80570	00167778	PAULETTO, MAUDE	Drop in students for Yoga - Ha	37.80
<i>Org Key: PR3500 - Senior Services</i>				
P78157	00167724	MISD FOOD SERVICE	2013 Senior Meals	2,106.75
P80607	00167834	PARENTMAP	December advertising for Recre	200.00
<i>Org Key: PR4100 - Community Center</i>				
	00167713	PUGET SOUND ENERGY	ENERGY USE DECEMBER 2013	5,168.04
P80572	00167826	FITNESS INSTALLERS & TECH INC	Cleaning and sealing of Fitnes	1,966.64
P80494	00167830	MICHAEL SKAGGS ASSOCIATES	JANITORIAL SVC COMM CNTR	1,559.25
P80487	00167735	FIRE PROTECTION INC	Provide, install and program n	1,078.58
P80496	00167772	MICHAEL SKAGGS ASSOCIATES	WAX MERCER ROOM	540.00
P80488	00167765	CRYSTAL SPRINGS	Coffee supplies for MICEC	522.49
P80560	00167816	ALLIANCE PRINTING	Seattle Wedding Show promotion	498.23
P80620	00167701	ONMERIT MARKETING LLC	Business Development and marke	345.00
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	287.79
P80342	00167774	OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED	Replacement desk extension pie	221.73
P80458	00167722	MERCER ISLAND FIRE DEPT	FIRE INSPECTIONS	210.00
P76540	00167796	COMCAST	2013 High Speed Connection Cha	105.90
P80486	00167756	VAN, MARY	Zumba Instructor payment for	105.00
P80526	00167747	MI HARDWARE - P&R	Custodial supplies for MICEC	100.48
P80578	00167789	AMERICAN EXPRESS (CCMV)	Supplies for MICEC All staff m	52.11
	00167710	DEPT OF ENTERPRISES SERVICES	BUSINESS CARD PRINTING DEC 201	47.07
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	40.23
P80548	00167799	GRAINGER	CREDIT-RETURNED HAND SOAP	-79.52
<i>Org Key: PR6100 - Park Maintenance</i>				
P80489	00167737	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	JOB SITE BOX	579.26
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	265.06
P80510	00167808	SOUND SAFETY PRODUCTS	MISC. WORK CLOTHES	149.13
P80509	00167808	SOUND SAFETY PRODUCTS	MISC. WORK CLOTHES	119.46
P80561	00167820	CESSCO	REPAIR & SERVICE CUTOFF SAW	29.96
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
<i>Org Key: PR6500 - Luther Burbank Park Maint.</i>				
P80495	00167830	MICHAEL SKAGGS ASSOCIATES	JANITORIAL SERVICES LB	1,969.09
P75867	00167794	CINTAS CORPORATION #460	Rug cleaning services for LB A	35.27
P75867	00167794	CINTAS CORPORATION #460	Rug cleaning services for LB A	35.27
<i>Org Key: PR6700 - I90 Park Maintenance</i>				
P80614	00167785	UNITED SITE SERVICES	Portable toilet rental and ser	338.65
P80614	00167785	UNITED SITE SERVICES	Portable toilet rental and ser	142.05

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P80527	00167734	EASTSIDE EXTERMINATORS	Extermination services for Lid	101.29
<i>Org Key: PR6800 - Trails Maintenance</i>				
P80565	00167843	WHISTLE WORKWEAR	MISC. WORK CLOTHES	71.92
<i>Org Key: PRAT40 - Ongoing Art Programs</i>				
P80466	00167758	ARTECH	Repair two art pieces (Extraor	8,934.11
<i>Org Key: WD120V - East Seattle Storm Improvmts</i>				
P80617	00167726	PACIFIC NW CONSTRUXION INC	EAST SEATTLE STORMWATER	6,183.50
<i>Org Key: WD310D - Sub Basin 4 Drainage Pipe</i>				
P79194	00167714	EARTHWORK ENTERPRISES INC	RETAINAGE	2,515.07
<i>Org Key: WG105R - Community Center Bldg Repairs</i>				
P80596	00167783	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO, THE	PAINT FOR COMM CNTR	286.12
P80596	00167783	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO, THE	PAINT FOR COMM CNTR	36.01
P80594	00167783	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO, THE	PAINT FOR COMM CNTR	35.92
P80595	00167783	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO, THE	PAINT FOR COMM CNTR	8.76
P80595	00167783	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO, THE	CREDIT FOR PAINT FOR COMM CNTR	-5.86
P80596	00167783	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO, THE	CREDIT FOR PAINT	-85.38
<i>Org Key: WG106R - North Fire Station Repairs</i>				
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	3,397.83
<i>Org Key: WG315T - Utility Billing System Upgr</i>				
P80636	00167716	HARRIS COMPUTER SYSTEMS	20%-Implementation/Upgrade ICI	4,377.81
<i>Org Key: WG922T - Mobile Asset Data Collection</i>				
P79126	00167717	IMS INFRASTRUCTURE MANGT SRVS	MADC - Optional Items	1,187.50
P79126	00167717	IMS INFRASTRUCTURE MANGT SRVS	MADC - Project Management	280.70
P79126	00167717	IMS INFRASTRUCTURE MANGT SRVS	MADC - Data QA/QC	218.00
<i>Org Key: WP122R - Vegetation Management</i>				
P77464	00167806	RESTORATION LOGISTICS LLC	2013-14 Open Space Vegetation	19,332.50
P77668	00167806	RESTORATION LOGISTICS LLC	2013-14 Open Space Vegetation	11,116.19
P77669	00167806	RESTORATION LOGISTICS LLC	2013-14 Open Space Vegetation	7,062.81
P76190	00167768	EARTHCORPS INC	2013-14 Volunteer Recruitment,	4,584.20
P77459	00167727	SIGNATURE LANDSCAPE SERVICES	2013-14 Open Space Vegetation	171.36
P80614	00167785	UNITED SITE SERVICES	Portable toilet rental and ser	75.60
<i>Org Key: WP303R - Luther BB Shoreline Phase 2</i>				
P78290	00167729	ANCHOR QEA LLC	Shoreline Restoration Design f	6,487.50
<i>Org Key: WP303S - Luther S Shoreline Des</i>				
P78290	00167729	ANCHOR QEA LLC	Shoreline Restoration Design f	6,301.50
<i>Org Key: WP310D - Street End - Calkins Landing</i>				
P78290	00167729	ANCHOR QEA LLC	Shoreline Restoration Design f	15,011.36
<i>Org Key: WP720R - Recurring Park Projects</i>				
P80547	00167822	COMPTON LUMBER & HARDWARE INC	TREATED LUMBER	2,303.70
P80443	00167737	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	WELDED WIRE	129.21
<i>Org Key: WR101R - Residential Street Improvement</i>				

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P79568	00167721	LAKESIDE INDUSTRIES	2013 ARTERIAL & RESIDENTIAL OV	4,966.23
<i>Org Key: WR110V - Preservation WMW</i>				
P79568	00167721	LAKESIDE INDUSTRIES	80TH AVE 2013 ARTERIAL & RESID	4,456.11
<i>Org Key: WR321R - Town Center Streets North</i>				
P79568	00167721	LAKESIDE INDUSTRIES	WMW 2013 ARTERIAL & RESIDENTIA	534.45
<i>Org Key: WW130R - Hydrants & System Components</i>				
P80064	00167715	FURY SITE WORKS INC	FIRE HYDRANT REPAIR WORK	18,772.39
<i>Org Key: XG150T - Small Tech/Equipment</i>				
P80513	00167773	MORGAN SOUND	MITV EQUIP	16,974.38
<i>Org Key: XG300R - Fire Station 92 Replacement</i>				
P76634	00167733	DEDOMINICIS, AMY E	FS 92 Project Management	2,350.00
P80522	00167759	BUILDERS EXCHANGE OF WA	FS 92 PLANS ONLINE	108.30
<i>Org Key: XP720R - KC Levy Projects</i>				
P80605	00167750	PACIFIC RIM EQUIPMENT RENTAL	EXCAVATOR RENTAL	852.03
P80604	00167792	CADMAN INC	5/8"-MINUS ROCK (64.74 TONS)	53.49
<i>Org Key: XR320R - Safe Routes to School</i>				
P80506	00167730	APPLIED ORGANICS INC	COMPOST APPLIED	1,231.88
P80604	00167792	CADMAN INC	5/8"-MINUS ROCK (64.74 TONS)	320.94
<i>Org Key: YF1100 - YFS General Services</i>				
	00167709	COMPLETE OFFICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	174.17
P80581	00167790	AMERICAN EXPRESS (YFS)	Costco - CTC exp for MIHS Teac	90.91
P80583	00167704	VERIZON WIRELESS	Monthly charge for Mobile Broa	40.01
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	20.12
P80581	00167790	AMERICAN EXPRESS (YFS)	Costco - YFS supplies for Food	13.13
P80581	00167790	AMERICAN EXPRESS (YFS)	Target - CTC exps for MIHS tea	12.02
<i>Org Key: YF1200 - Thrift Shop</i>				
P80495	00167830	MICHAEL SKAGGS ASSOCIATES	JANITORIAL SERVICES TS	1,474.65
P80581	00167790	AMERICAN EXPRESS (YFS)	Costco - Tshop expenses for	70.89
P75977	00167764	CRYSTAL AND SIERRA SPRINGS	Monthly water delivery to Thri	55.27
P80100	00167786	XEROX CORPORATION	December 2013 Base Charges for	40.23
P80581	00167790	AMERICAN EXPRESS (YFS)	QFC - Tshop expenses for vol	14.95
<i>Org Key: YF2100 - School/City Partnership</i>				
P80580	00167838	STERLING REFERENCE LAB	Lab fees for C.Harnish clients	37.80
P80554	00167809	STERLING REFERENCE LAB	Lab fees for C.Harnish clients	35.00
<i>Org Key: YF2600 - Family Assistance</i>				
P80557	00167763	CORNELL AND ASSOCIATES	Rental ass't for EA client (VC	600.00
P80612	00167699	MILLER MD, HOWARD B	Medical pymnt for EA client MK	50.00
<i>Org Key: YF2800 - Fed Drug Free Communities Gran</i>				
P80555	00167769	FEDEX OFFICE	Shipping for CTC MOST of Us su	116.82
P80579	00167798	FEDEX	Shipment charges for MOST of U	75.34
Total				449,963.60



CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
CERTIFICATION OF PAYROLL

PAYROLL PERIOD ENDING
PAYROLL DATED

1/3/2014
1/10/2014

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered, or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against the city of Mercer Island, and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim.

Charles L. Corder

Finance Director

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the City Council has reviewed the documentation supporting claims paid and approved all checks or warrants issued in payment of claims.

Mayor

Date

Description		Date	Amount
Payroll Checks	62690448 - 62690457		11,514.94
Direct Deposits			416,197.53
Void/Manual Adjustments			56,321.34
Tax & Benefit Obligations			260,738.71
Total Gross Payroll		1/10/14	744,772.52



CITY OF MERCER ISLAND PAYROLL SUMMARY

PAYROLL PERIOD ENDING	1/3/2014
PAYROLL DATED	1/10/2014
Net Cash	427,712.47
Net Voids/Manuals	56,321.34
Federal Tax Deposit - Key Bank	79,197.21
Social Security and Medicare Taxes	43,028.06
Medicare Taxes Only (Fire Fighter Employees)	1,563.70
Public Employees Retirement System 1 (PERS 1)	357.00
Public Employees Retirement System 2 (PERS 2)	16,311.26
Public Employees Retirement System 3 (PERS 3)	3,617.19
Public Employees Retirement System 2 (PERSJBM)	464.83
Public Safety Employees Retirement System (PSERS)	143.02
Law Enforc. & Fire fighters System 2 (LEOFF 2)	22,096.15
Regence & LEOFF Trust - Medical Insurance	12,585.29
Domestic Partner/Overage Dependant - Insurance	1,374.23
Group Health Medical Insurance	1,129.88
Health Care - Flexible Spending Accounts	3,415.31
Dependant Care - Flexible Spending Accounts	1,638.46
United Way	191.00
ICMA Deferred Compensation	66,663.37
ROTH IRA	261.54
Child Support/Garnishment Payments	851.98
MI Employees' Association	142.50
Cities & Towns/AFSCME Union Dues	0.00
Police Union Dues	0.00
Fire Union Dues	1,657.68
Fire Union - Supplemental Dues	133.00
AWC - Voluntary Life Insurance	0.00
Unum - Long Term Care Insurance	1,093.70
AFLAC - Supplemental Insurance Plans	695.85
GET - Guarantee Education Tuition of WA	1,034.50
Coffee Fund	34.00
Transportation	25.00
Miscellaneous	1,033.00

TOTAL GROSS PAYROLL	\$ 744,772.52
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**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WA**

**AB 4914
January 21, 2014
Consent Calendar**

**TRANSPORTATION CONSULTANT CONTRACT
- SE 40TH STREET CUMULATIVE IMPACTS
ANALYSIS**

Proposed Council Action:
Appropriate funding for the analysis.

DEPARTMENT OF	Development Services Group (Patrick Yamashita)
COUNCIL LIAISON	n/a
EXHIBITS	n/a
APPROVED BY CITY MANAGER	

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$	45,000
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$	0
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$	45,000

SUMMARY

Background

The upcoming school bond proposal, if approved by voters, will result in school projects that may impact traffic on and around SE 40th Street. The City previously analyzed traffic impacts in that area when reviewing the PEAK (Boys & Girls Club) project. In 2006, staff hired a traffic consultant to analyze the LOS and presented findings and potential corrective measures during the 6-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) presentation to Council. The Council directed improvements are shown in the table below. The PEAK project paid a proportionate share of the costs of the improvements based on traffic generated by the project relative to the overall traffic and the City funded the remaining portion. In sum, PEAK paid \$273,000 (15% of total project cost).

Existing Level of Service		
Location	LOS	Corrective Measure
SE 40th Street / Island Crest Way	D	Roadway widening to extend turn lt. & rt. turn lanes
SE 40th Street / 86th Avenue SE	F	New signal
SE 40th Street / 88th Avenue SE	C	Ok for now
SE 40th Street / Gallagher Hill Road	D	Minor lane reconfig for short term impvmt to LOS C

Cumulative Impacts Analysis

The analysis in 2006 did not analyze potential future school projects along or near SE 40th Street. However, with the impending school bond issue that includes a new elementary school and expansion of the high school on the School District's megablock, LOS will likely worsen below LOS C along SE 40th Street. In order to timely analyze traffic impacts should the school's bond measure be approved by voters, City staff proposes to hire a traffic consultant to update the 2006 analysis to reflect current and projected traffic along SE 40th Street and the surrounding area. The analysis will also identify potential capital improvements to propose to Council in May 2014 to consider including in the 2015-2020 6-Year TIP. Similar to PEAK, the

District will be responsible for paying for their proportionate share of the costs of the improvements based on the increase in traffic generated by the school projects relative to the overall traffic. (On a separate but related note, staff is already contemplating pedestrian facilities in the neighborhood north of SE 40th Street to improve pedestrian access from the neighborhood to the high school and future elementary school. These improvements will be proposed in the 6-Year TIP.)

Scope of Traffic Analysis

The proposed scope generally includes the following:

1. Utilize the School District's traffic studies for the elementary school and high school projects to analyze the key intersections on SE 40th Street between Island Crest Way and 92nd Ave SE.
2. Evaluate the operation of existing traffic signals to improve signal timing and operation to increase traffic flow.
3. Take a holistic approach to determine the improvements needed to restore LOS to C or better to improve overall traffic flow through the corridor, not just intersection by intersection.
4. Identify crosswalk improvements if needed.
5. Provide planning level scope and costs for individual projects to include in the TIP.

Timing and Estimated Cost

Staff seeks authorization from the Council at this time in order to conduct the contracting process and be prepared to complete the analysis in time to meet the school district's project schedule should the bond measure be approved. If the bond measure fails to pass, work under this contract will not proceed.

There is no approved funding for this analysis in the current budget. Staff requests an appropriation of \$45,000 to perform this work in early 2014. There is an adequate fund balance in the Street Fund for this new appropriation without affecting any transportation projects programmed for construction in 2014. Approval of this appropriation will authorize staff to commence work and incur expenses on this project. Staff will begin the consultant selection process immediately and expect the work to be completed by late April in time to allow the Council to consider including a corridor improvement project in the update of the 6-Year TIP later this spring. As an administrative step, staff will return with a budget ordinance including this appropriation request as part of a future Financial Status Report to the City Council. Alternatively, Council may direct staff to include the analysis in the proposed 2015-2016 budget but this approach would likely delay the construction of corridor improvements until after the school construction is complete.

RECOMMENDATION

City Engineer

MOVE TO: Appropriate \$45,000 from the Street Fund for the SE 40th Street cumulative impacts analysis.



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WA**

**AB 4911
January 21, 2014
Regular Business**

**2014-2019 PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN
UPDATE (2ND READING)**

Proposed Council Action:

Pass Resolution No. 1476 adopting the 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Plan Update.

DEPARTMENT OF

Parks and Recreation (Bruce Fletcher)

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EXHIBITS

1. Resolution No. 1476
2. Revised Parks and Recreation Plan

APPROVED BY CITY MANAGER

1/15/2014

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$	n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$	n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$	n/a

SUMMARY

The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department is presenting a revised version of its 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Plan Update. An updated parks and recreation comprehensive plan is a prerequisite for applying for grants from the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Funding Board. To this end, the City must have an adopted plan in place by the State's March 3, 2014 deadline. Meeting this deadline is a high priority in order for the City to be eligible for the next two-year grant cycle. The first reading of the plan took place at the December 2, 2013 public hearing.

Public Process

The draft plan was posted on the City's website on November 5, 2013. The website also contained a short survey to test whether the plan has captured needs and demands that should be included. The release of the plan was announced in the MI Weekly on November 6. A press release to the Mercer Island Reporter resulted in an online article on November 7 and a print article on November 13. All publicity and the website referenced the public hearing that was conducted at the City Council meeting on December 2, 2013. Public comment was received through December 6. A concurrent SEPA review was conducted by the Development Services Group. The draft plan received a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS).

Parks and Recreation staff received comments from 19 citizens on the draft plan. Many ideas reflected needs and desires previously expressed in other contexts. Sports fields, Mary Wayte pool, playgrounds; and trails were recurring themes. Other notable comments were desires for:

- Sailing and boat rental
- Frisbee golf
- Community gardens
- Beach access
- Informal play space in Upper Luther
- Keeping the BMX course at Upper Luther

- Keeping recreation at the old Boys & Girls Club
- Conducting a wildlife survey of the Island

Appendix 7 of the Revised Plan (Exhibit 2) is a complete summary of public comment. Many of these ideas were already anticipated in the draft version of the plan. Others will require more information as to the specifics of the need along with scoping. Given the constraints of limited land and high property values, these issues are being addressed in the plan to the extent feasible.

Staff investigated the wildlife survey request and could find no example where a City has conducted a wildlife survey on a citywide basis. Most wildlife surveys were conducted in a specific park by interested volunteers. Such surveying already occurs monthly in the Luther Burbank wetland. As part of the Open Space Vegetation Capital Improvement Program (CIP), City staff plan to survey the canopy condition and invasive prevalence this year at the 10-year anniversary of open space work. Habitat classification will be part of this survey.

Plan Changes

In addition to needs and desires, we received suggestions on specifics of the plan document. We have incorporated the following substantive changes based on that input:

- Changed last sentence in the Executive Summary to read: This Plan does not bind the City to any particular funding or project
- Changed section on diversity to include data on the Caucasian population on Mercer Island and struck comment about diversity
- Added Lid Sculpture Park, the Upper Luther BMX course, and the Dragon rebuild to the historical timeline
- Promoted Rotary Park to a neighborhood park and changed acreage references where appropriate
- Added a passage explaining that the City and the School District coordinate the scheduling of playfields on school properties
- Deleted references to the water feature in Mercerdale Park descriptions in two places
- Added description of Summer Celebration composting and waste reduction efforts as part of the Sustainability Section
- Added brief descriptions of the Shoreline Master Program in two places
- Edited the section on the Community Facilities Planning Process to better fit the intention of the section
- Changed LEED certification to “Add LEED components when feasible to be approved by City Council”
- Added restrooms at Thrift Shop to Capital Project List
- Added bicycle kiosks to Capital Project List
- Added budget policy verbiage to Community Center portion of the Action Plan to reflect the approved budget policy

Conclusion

The update to the Parks and Recreation Plan provides the City a starting point for discussion of future capital programs. The analysis found in this plan will improve the accuracy of the CIP budget during the 2015-2016 budget process this summer.

RECOMMENDATION

Parks and Recreation Director

MOVE TO: Pass Resolution No. 1476 adopting the 2104-2019 Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Plan Update.

**CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
RESOLUTION NO. 1476**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND 2014-2019
PARK AND RECREATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Washington State Growth Management Act, Chapter 36.70A RCW, the City of Mercer Island adopted a new Comprehensive Plan in 1994 and has amended the plan since that time; and

WHEREAS, Goal 11 of the Comprehensive Plan sets forth goals and policies for park, open space and trail development and specifically states "more specific policy direction for parks and open space shall be identified in the Parks and Recreation Plan and the Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Plan"; and

WHEREAS, The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department, together with the Mercer Island City Council and the Council's Park and Recreation Subcommittee, have conducted a process to review Mercer Island's program, goals, and planning for parks, open space and recreation, which included opportunities for public input; and

WHEREAS, The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department, on the basis of said review, recommended to the City Council adoption of an updated park and recreation plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Adoption of Park and Recreation Plan.

Consistent with Goal 11 of the City of Mercer Island Comprehensive Plan, the Mercer Island City Council hereby adopts the City of Mercer Island 2014-2019 Park and Recreation Plan as the official Park and Recreation Plan for the City.

Section 2: Effective Date.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force on and after January 22, 2014.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON, AT ITS REGULAR MEETING ON THE 21ST DAY OF JANUARY 2014.

CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

Bruce Bassett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Allison Spietz, City Clerk

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PARKS & RECREATION**



Parks & Recreation Plan 2014-2019

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Executive Summary

1. Executive Summary

This 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Plan updates the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan that was adopted in 2007 and that has been in effect for the last seven years. A new six year plan will guide the City in future park, recreation, community center, arts, open space, and trails planning. This plan incorporates, by reference, existing City planning documents including the City's Comprehensive Plan, Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan, Capital Improvement and Transportation Improvement plans, park master plans, and forest and open space management plans.

This plan is intended to reflect current attitudes, needs and demands related to parks, recreation, community center, arts, open space, and trails. Its goals, objectives and action plan are intended to guide future City actions relating to the elements discussed herein. The plan will provide Mercer Island's citizens with a blueprint for maintaining and improving the quality of life on the island.

The Parks & Recreation Department is responsible for operating and maintaining over 460 acres of parks and open space, 30 miles of trails, over 150 annual recreational programs and events, and a 42,000 square foot community center.

Mercer Island has very defined boundaries and almost no remaining undeveloped land. There remains only very limited ability to expand on existing parks and open spaces. Emphasis in the future will be on maintaining current levels of service, upgrading and maintaining parks and facilities, developing additional recreational opportunities, balancing the community center usage priorities with subsidy policy set by the City Council, implementing park master and vegetation management plans, seeking alternative capital project financing, instituting ballfield and gymnasium use improvements, investigating open space acquisition opportunities, and developing new trail connections. Wherever feasible, the City will incorporate sustainable designs, practices and materials into these operations and projects.

Park master plans for Mercerdale Park, Pioneer Park, Homestead Field, and Luther Burbank Park will guide some of these projects. City Council provided additional project prioritization in the 2008 Parks Bond issue. The Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan and Open Space Vegetation Plan provide the direction for the City's stewardship of its open space properties. These current resources, combined with a comprehensive facilities inventory and assessment make up the list of proposed capital projects for the duration of this plan.

Over \$20 million in park and open space investments have been identified in the Projected Six Year Parks Capital Improvement Program. Inclusion of a project in this plan represents a means to meet an identified and prioritized need. Funding for projects occurs as part of the City's biennial budget process. Many of the projects identified here will require additional funding in the form of grants, donations or other outside revenues in order to be funded in an upcoming biennium. ~~Inclusion in this plan does not guarantee that a project will be funded. This Plan does not bind the City to any particular funding or project.~~



Introduction & Mission Statement

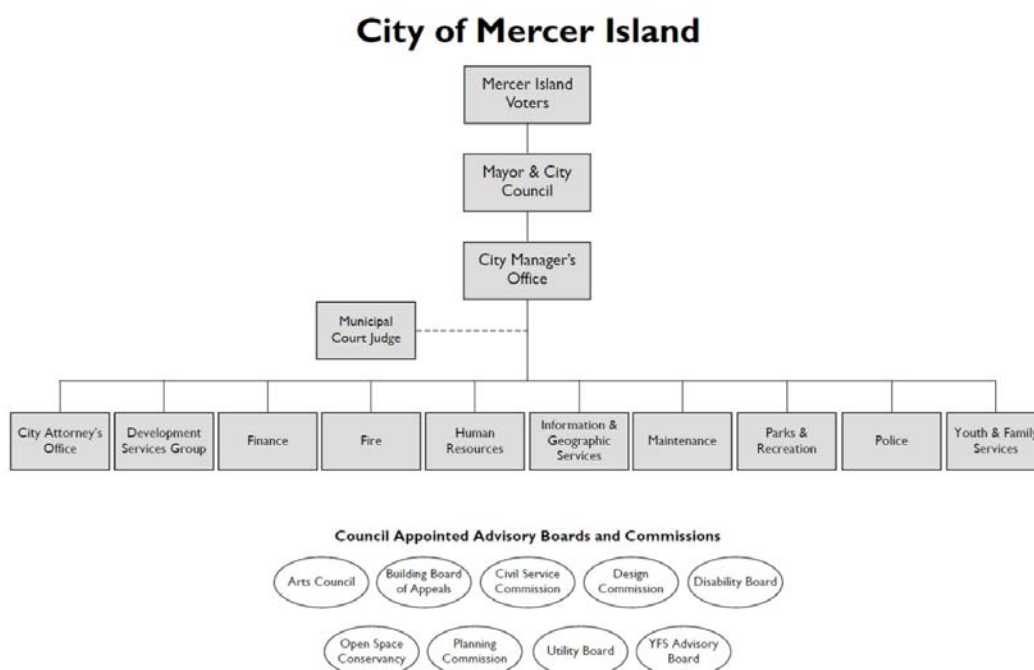
2. Introduction, Mission and Vision Statements

Since the early 1960's, planning efforts have been undertaken to address park and recreation services and community facilities on Mercer Island. A 1973 "Preliminary Community Facilities Plan" guided development for over 17 years until community decisions on the public library and City Hall prompted a newer plan to be developed. Guidelines set forth by the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) and the 1990 State Growth Management Act also encouraged local park and recreation planning. In January 1991, the City Council adopted a Comprehensive Park, Recreation, Open Space, Arts and Trail Plan to reflect current attitudes, needs and demands and "guide future City actions relating to the elements discussed herein". The plan was updated at the beginning of 2007, incorporating almost all of the same goals and objectives cited in the 1991 plan.

This plan update for 2014-2019 builds on the earlier planning work and adds a significant new inventory of park facilities. This comprehensive look at the capital needs for the park system helps anticipate future replacement expenditures. This update also includes consideration of sustainability initiatives that could be included in capital projects to reduce the environmental footprint of the City.

City Organization

The City of Mercer Island has a Council/Manager form of government. In this form, the City Council of seven elected members hires a City Manager to act as chief executive of the City. The City Manager reports directly to the Council and carries out its policy directions – the major direction that the City takes over the course of a year. Councilmembers listen to their constituents, the Island residents, and also receive advice and help from the Council appointed Boards and Commissions, which numbered nine in 2013. The Council is vitally interested in hearing the voices of all the residents and in supporting citizen involvement. The day to day activities of the City are carried out by the ten departments shown on the chart below.



Mission and Vision

The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department is dedicated to providing comprehensive delivery of diverse parks and recreation services to the community. The mission statement reads:

The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department takes pride in providing the highest quality facilities and services in partnership with the community to enhance livability on Mercer Island.

Programmed services include recreation, athletic, social, art, and special events. Operational services include park maintenance, facilities operation, open space acquisition and stewardship, natural resource management and planning services. The Department assumes a major role in developing a sense of community by providing diverse services to preschool age children, youth, teen, adult, family and senior populations; and develops partnerships with community agencies, businesses and institutions to ensure that service needs are met.

The department's vision statement reads:

The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department is a people first organization dedicated to creating experiences in a healthy, safe and positive environment.

We advocate for the changing needs of the community by providing two way communication which welcomes input and feedback to support a cohesive and efficient department.

We maintain and preserve high quality parks, facilities, open space, natural resources and recreation and cultural services to enrich the lives of those in our community and provide a sense of belonging and pride.

It is with a high standard of ethics and integrity that we commit to excellence by building partnerships and relationships and preserve resources with an emphasis on sustainability for future generations.

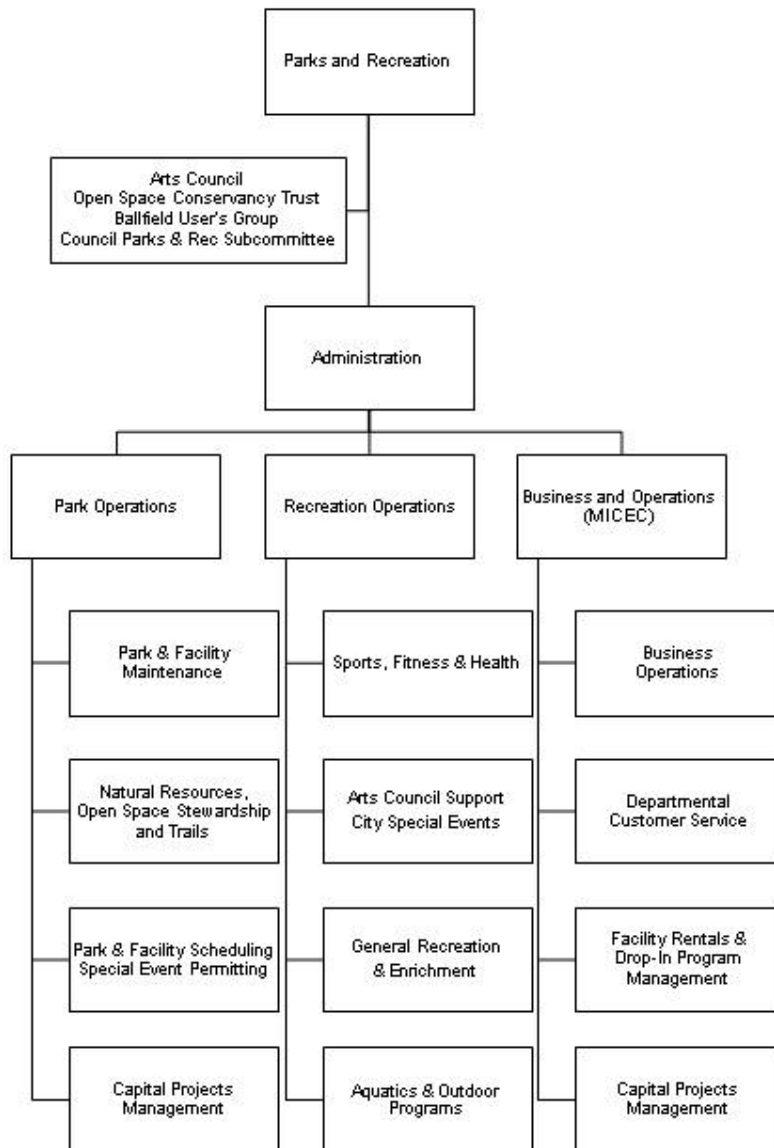
The City's Comprehensive Plan (revised July 2005; and October 2006) cites specific actions that will continue to exemplify Mercer Island's values relative to parks, natural resources and recreation services, including:

- "Mercer Island strives to be a sustainable community: Meeting the needs of the present while preserving the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. We consider the relationship between the decisions we make as a community and their long-term impacts before committing to them. We understand that our strength is dependent on an open decision-making process that takes into account the economic, environmental and social well-being of our community"
- "Mercer Island will continue to provide a wide range of education, cultural and municipal services for the community's varied population. Balanced and flexible programs will be necessary to meet the community's evolving needs in education, recreation and cultural enjoyment"

- “Open space (trees and green spaces) preservation continues to be a primary activity for attaining the community’s quality of life vision. City leaders will continue to search for effective new tools and standards to protect and enhance the environment”

Department Organization

The Parks & Recreation Department, which is organized into three divisions (Parks, Recreation and Business and Operations), is responsible for operating and maintaining high-demand and multi-use assets such as over 460 acres of parks and open space, 30 miles of trails, over 150 annual recreational programs and events, and a 42,000 square foot community center.



Park Operations

The Parks Operations division provides routine, preventative, special response and capital maintenance services. Routine tasks include garbage and litter control, restroom maintenance, athletic field preparation, turf rehabilitation, irrigation repairs and installation, sweeping and cleaning of parking lots and hard surfaces, mowing and edging, vegetation control, tree and planter bed care, trail maintenance, and the upkeep and repair of park assets.

The Parks Natural Resources Unit provides on-site public hazard tree mitigation, invasive vegetation removal plans and re-planting programs. They also help implement urban forestry management initiatives in parks, public rights-of-way, trails and open space areas and facilitate a volunteer Forest Stewardship training program.

The Department is responsible for facilitating the public's desire to utilize various park and recreation assets. This includes scheduling and coordinating multi-use parks and facilities, all-weather sports stadium, multi-use school fields, 12 soccer fields, 7 softball fields, 3 hardball fields, and 2 picnic shelters. The Department also coordinates reviews and permits special event requests from outside organizations and agencies through the City Special Events Committee.

A six year capital improvement program (CIP) is planned and implemented City-wide. The Parks CIP organizes and schedules the repair, replacement and refurbishment of park, open space, trails and recreation facilities.

Recreation Operations

The Recreation Operations division provides fitness classes, sports and leagues, social and health services, transportation, special events, outdoor recreation, educational/enrichment programs, arts activities; to include visual, performing, and literary arts coordinated by the volunteer based Arts Council and 2 swim beaches with lifeguards.

Services are delivered at park and facility locations across the community including the Mercer Island Community and Event Center, West Mercer Elementary, Mercer Island High School, Mercer Island Library, Covenant Shores, and the Boys and Girls Club. The community continues to embrace seasonal special events including the annual Egg Hunt, Holiday Tree Lighting and Firehouse Munch, Family Holiday event, All-Island Track Meet, Music in the Park, Leap for Green, Day of Play, Community Campout, and Funtastic Fridays.

In addition to one-day special events, the annual citywide Summer Celebration! festival is produced by the Parks and Recreation Department with the assistance and support of Police, Fire, Maintenance, Youth and Family Services and DSG. Summer Celebration! provides cultural and recreational programming, intergenerational activities, and showcases local and regional visual and performing arts, food vendors, parade, 3-on-3 basketball tournament, car show, boat rides around the island, and fireworks. A citywide coordinating team comprised of department staff representatives meets to coordinate logistics and communications for the festival. Over 30,000 people regularly attend this SEAFAIR sanctioned community event which is supported by over 200 volunteers and numerous City staff.

Since 2008, Mercer Island has been recognized as a Playful City USA. This program recognizes cities and towns that make a commitment to play by developing tailored local action plans that increase access to play in their community. Inspired by this program, the Parks and Recreation Department started an Adventure Playground in the woods at Deane's Children's Park in 2010. Adventure Playgrounds have been prominent in cities across Europe with the

focus on kids creating the playground by building their own forts, tree houses, and other play structures. Mercer Island's is a new variation that encourages such creativity in a forest setting. Children benefit mentally and physically from being outside and using their imaginations to create their own worlds. Such self-directed play supports the emergence of executive function. Active play in a natural setting also provides needed balance in a society awash in electronic media.

Business and Operations

The Business & Operations division provides operational management of the Mercer Island Community and Event Center (MICEC), a high-demand, high-use facility that provides space for recreational, cultural and community activities, various forms of private room rentals, and open-access areas for the public to utilize.

This 42,000 square foot community center was opened in December of 2005. This facility, the MICEC, is a 7-day-a-week facility operating up to 110 hours per week and handling over \$1.3 million in annual transactions. The MICEC serve as primary point of contact for public information related to Parks and Recreation activities, YFS, and the City as a whole and provides daily administrative support of the entire Parks & Recreation Department.

The established roles and functions of the MICEC include providing the following: 1) a community gathering place; 2) a business and celebratory place for rentals, meetings, and events; 3) a community enrichment place for programs, activities and events; 4) a public meeting and workshop venue for civic outreach and engagement; 5) a registration center and information clearinghouse, 6) an emergency shelter; 7) senior programs & preschool space provider; and 8) a public art gallery.

MICEC hosts approximately 10,000 total hours of dedicated recreational programming space and approximately 10,000 hours of contracted community/private 6+rental space. Each usage type makes up about 50% of the overall usage. Some examples of activities include recreation classes, gymnasium activity, fitness room usage, numerous drop-in activities, organized multi-generational activities, informal social gatherings, day care and preschool tenants, and the Mercer Island Art Gallery. MICEC also serves as a venue for large community wide-events (Rotary Run, Leap for Green, and SC!). To host such activities, the MICEC offers one large banquet room that is sub-dividable into three smaller rooms, a catering kitchen, outdoor terrace, 6 smaller meeting rooms, a gymnasium, dance room, fitness center, locker rooms, a game room, art gallery and abundant public gathering areas. It also serves as the community's primary emergency shelter during disasters or prolonged utility outages.

A six year capital improvement program (CIP) has been developed for the MICEC to organize and schedule the repair, replacement and refurbishment of this facility and its grounds.

Administration

The Administration division is responsible for community outreach, board and commission support, evaluates potential property acquisitions, prepares and monitors budget and financials, oversees labor and personnel and conducts park and strategic planning activities. The division facilitates the work of the Open Space Conservancy Trust, Ballfield User Group, Arts Council, the Council Subcommittee on Parks and Recreation, and other community groups engaged in supporting parks and recreation. Staff serves as liaisons to these groups by providing administrative support and ensuring compliance to City Council direction and City codes and ordinances.

Boards and Commissions

Open Space Conservancy Trust

The Trust was established by ordinance on February 10, 1992 and subsequently amended on May 6, 1996. It was created for the express purpose of:

- Receiving and holding such real property, as transferred for open space purposes;
- Protecting, maintaining and preserving the Open Space Properties; and
- Ensuring that the development and use of the Open Space Properties are both consistent and compatible with the intent and purpose of the Trust and the guidelines and policies enacted.

The City Council is responsible for authorizing all expenditures for the maintenance of, use of, and improvements to Trust properties, while Trust members are responsible for overseeing the management of the Trust properties and making policy recommendations to the City Council. It is composed of seven members, including a City Council member, who meet as needed. Currently, the 118.85 acre Pioneer Park and the 8.50 acre Engstrom Open Space are owned and preserved by the Trust.

Arts Council

The Mercer Island Arts Council was established in 1985. Its mission is to nurture, promote, and support high-quality cultural arts activities for the community. Goals of the Arts Council include:

- Acknowledge the positive influence that the arts have on the community's quality of life
- Serve as the City's advocate for the arts, artists, and arts organizations of Mercer Island
- Inspire, stimulate and promote community wide education, awareness and enjoyment of the arts
- Create curiosity
- Support implementation of accessible, high quality performing, visual and literary arts programs, projects and events through the following, but not limited to:
 - Music and Shakespeare in the Park
 - Literary Lectures and Films
 - Indoor and Outdoor Gallery
 - Community Art Walks
- Acknowledge, and where possible, quantify the economic impact of a high quality arts environment on Mercer Island
- Encourage qualified volunteer involvement from the community in Arts Council activities
- Seek mutually benefiting partnerships with other organizations that would enhance the quality of Arts Council produced programs, events, and projects

Arts Council committees, working with the support of Parks and Recreation staff, provide community activities such as art galleries, Music in the Park concerts, Shakespeare in the Park, sculptures and Literary & Film events, as well as support local artists with grants and acquire public art for the City. Eleven members compose the Council who meet monthly with working sub committees meeting more frequently as needed to fulfill the Council's adopted work plan. A City Council member is appointed annually by the Mayor to serve as a liaison.

Council Subcommittee on Parks and Recreation

Created in March 2003, the Council's Parks and Recreation Subcommittee was formed to provide more detailed briefing opportunities to the City's elected leaders as well as for staff to seek clarification and additional guidance on park and recreation related matters. Three members of the City Council are appointed annually by the Mayor to serve on the Subcommittee.

Ballfield User Group (BUG)

Established initially in 1991, and later formalized in 1998, the Ballfield User Group provides input and feedback to the Parks and Recreation Department through regularly scheduled BUG meetings on policy and procedure decisions, maintenance needs, and facility improvements. The BUG serves as a "sounding board" for field related issues (scheduling, operations, maintenance, capital improvements, etc.) where communication and cooperation is encouraged with other BUG members and the general public. Representatives from the following organizations participate in the BUG:

- Mercer Island Parks & Recreation
- Mercer Island School District
- Mercer Island Boys & Girls Club
- Stroum Jewish Community Center
- Mercer Island Youth Soccer Association
- Mercer Island Lacrosse Clubs

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Community Profile

3. Community Profile

Location & Physical Setting

Mercer Island is conveniently located along Interstate 90, between Seattle and Bellevue (3 miles from Seattle, 1 mile from Bellevue, 20 miles from Sea-Tac Airport). The community began to develop in the early 1890's following the construction of a luxury resort on the west side of the island. Small steamers regularly traveled back and forth across the lake from Mercer Island to Seattle and Bellevue until 1940 when the floating bridge to Mercer Island was opened.

Easy access to the entire Puget Sound region makes Mercer Island highly desirable, and partially explains why Island real estate values have always been among the highest in the state. Excellent schools and a sensitive natural setting also attract people to the Island. Sitting in the middle of Lake Washington, 6.2 square mile Mercer Island has about 14 miles of shoreline (nearly 1.5 miles, or about 11% are publicly-owned). Much of the Island has views of mountains (Cascades or Olympics), water (Lake Washington) or city (Seattle or Bellevue).

Mercer Island was incorporated in 1960 with a council/manager form of government. City Council members are elected at large to serve four-year terms. The Council, in turn, elects one of its members to serve a two-year term as Mayor. Boards and commissions are appointed by the Council to assist in formulating policy.

Population Growth

In 1960, when Mercer Island was incorporated, Mercer Island's population was 12,289. After rising to 15,475 in 1970, 21,522 in 1980, 20,816 in 1990, 22,036 in 2000 and to 22,699 in 2010 population has remained fairly stable. The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) forecasts continuation of modest growth. The [PSRC population forecasts](#) of 24,053 for 2020 and 24,355 for 2030 indicate a stable population, in gross numbers. However, a 1978 Vacant Lands Study by the City, as well as the City of Mercer Island Comprehensive Plan released on July 5, 2005 indicate "build-out" population at 26,000. This number could be met sooner rather than later, if multiple housing growth continues in the Town Center. To some extent, relatively stable population growth in the "service area" (i.e., the City limits) makes planning for future park and recreation needs much easier. The focus can be programmatic rather than physical, accommodating changing needs rather than accommodating a growing population.

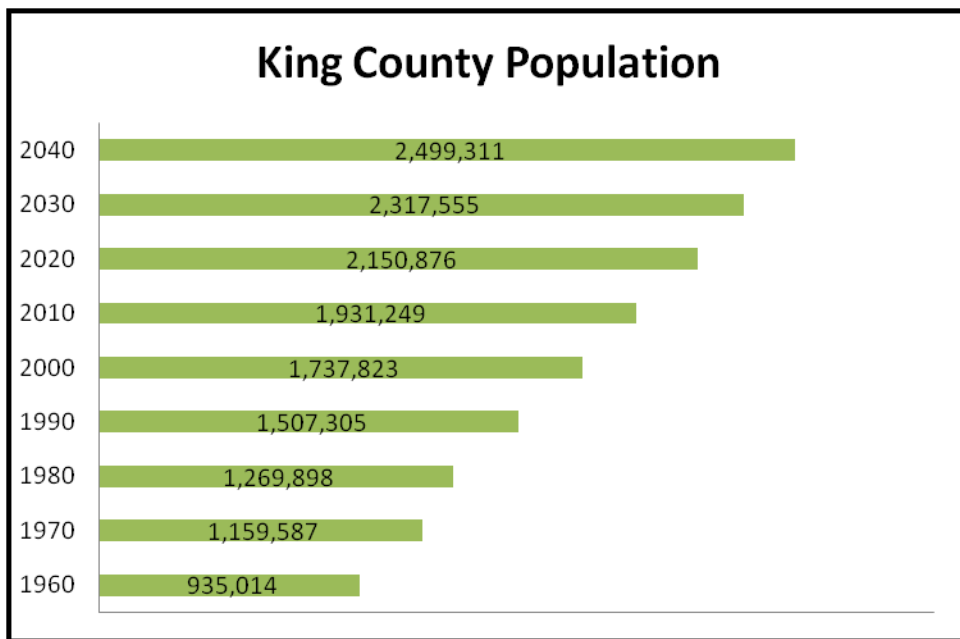
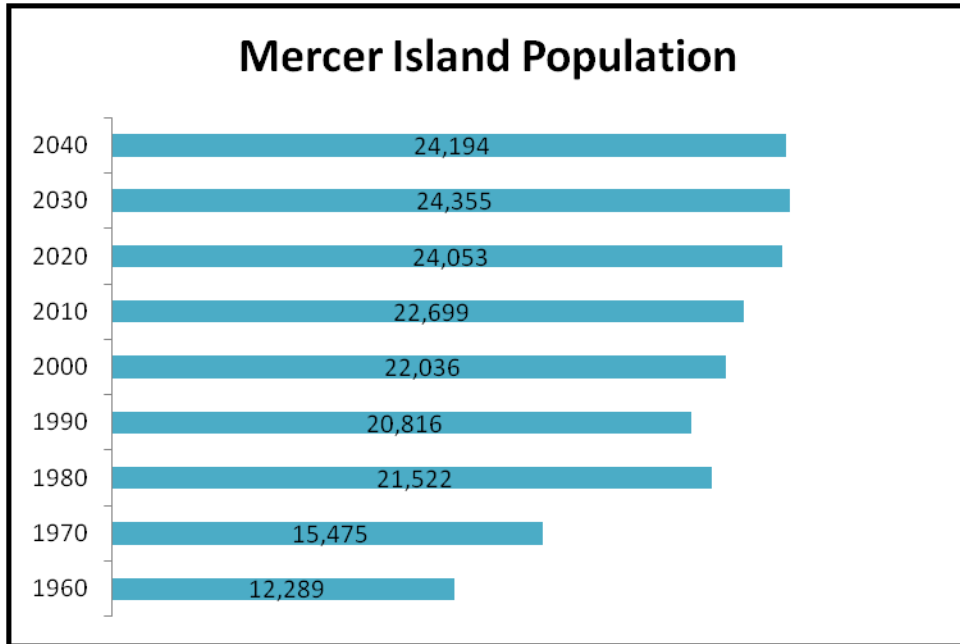


Figure 1: Comparison of Mercer Island and King County Population Growth

Sources:

Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC)

Office of Financial Management, State of Washington

Employment

After several decades of steady employment numbers, Puget Sound Regional Council is forecasting growth in employment on Mercer Island based on 2013 land use forecasts. The City is projected to add 2,933 jobs between 2010 and 2040. This is mainly the result of growth in the Town Center and the arrival of light rail in 2023. Employment growth could increase the daytime population spike in the Town Center, increasing demand for recreational opportunities there.

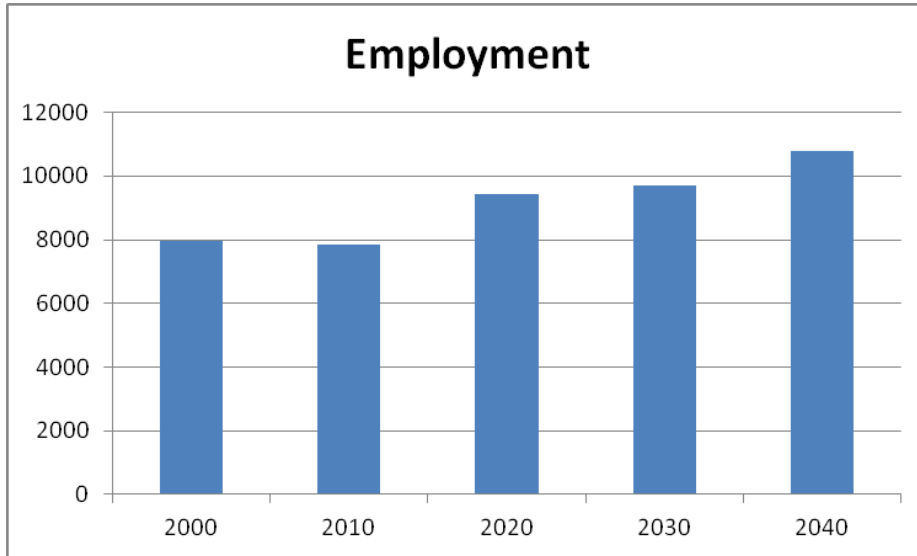


Figure 2: Total employment on Mercer Island, estimated and projected

Source: Puget Sound Regional Council

Demographic Profile

Age

Median age in the 1970 Census was 29. By 1980, median age had risen to 36. The 2000 and [2010 Census](#) shows an increasing median age of 44 and 46 respectively. The percentage of Islanders over 65 years increased from 4.6% in 1970 to 18.7% in 2000 and 19.5% in 2010.

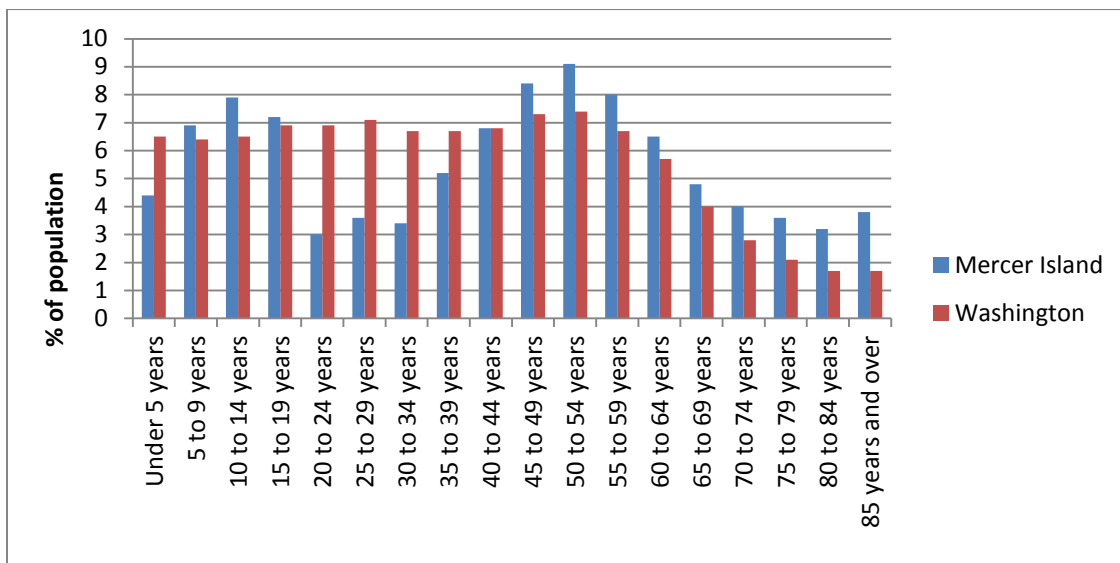


Figure 3: Population composition by age, Mercer Island and Washington State

Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 Census

The percentage of residents who are in the 45 to 54 age range is higher on Mercer Island (17.5%) than in Washington as a whole (14.4%). The percentage of people 65 years and older is increasing, as it is nationally.

Diversity

~~While Mercer Island is more diverse than it was in 1980, it remains less diverse than Washington State.~~ According to the 2010 census, 15.9% of the population was Asian compared to 7.2% in Washington, 1.3% was black or African American compared to 3.6% in Washington. Of the total Mercer Island population, 2.8% is Hispanic or Latino (of any race) compared to 11.2% in Washington. The population of white or European origin was 77.9%, similar to the 77.3% in Washington State.

Family Status

According to the 2010 Census, the percentage of family households¹ on Mercer Island is higher (71.7%) than the overall Washington population (64.4%). The percentage with children under 18 years of age (33.5%) is also greater than the state (31.9%). Husband and wife families make up 62 percent of the households compared with 49 percent statewide. This indicates a need to emphasize family-oriented recreation activities. Residents in the 20 to 24 year age range make up a lower percentage of the population in Mercer Island (3%) than in Washington as a whole (6.9%). Compared to 1980, the percentage of youth has decreased.

Education

One of the most reliable indicators of recreation participation is level of education; the more education a person has, the more likely s/he is to participate in recreational activities. The Census Bureau's American Community Survey for 2007-2011 estimates that 31.6% of residents 25 years and over have a graduate or professional degree compared to 9.3% in Washington. 37.5% have a bachelor's degree compared to 18.4% in Washington. 70.2% of the employed civilian population 16 years and over is engaged in management, professional, and related occupations compared to 35.6% in Washington.

¹ According to 2010 census data: "Family households" consist of a householder and one or more other people related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption. They do not include same-sex married couples even if the marriage was performed in a state issuing marriage certificates for same-sex couples. Same-sex couple households are included in the family households category if there is at least one additional person related to the householder by birth or adoption. Same-sex couple households with no relatives of the householder present are tabulated in nonfamily households. "Nonfamily households" consist of people living alone and households which do not have any members related to the householder.

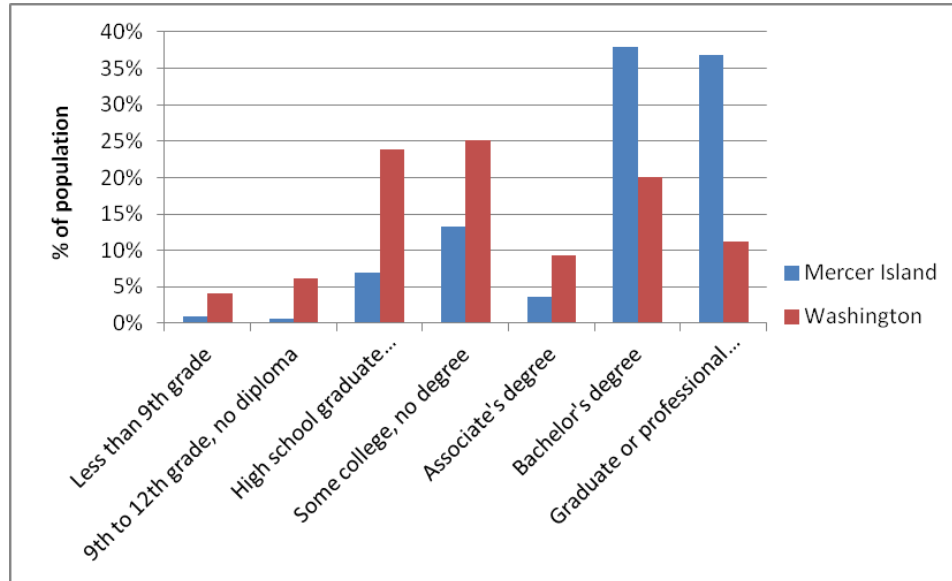


Figure 4: Adult (25+) population comparison by education, Mercer Island and Washington State

Source: US Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey

Per capita spending for education ranks among the highest in the state, and students consistently score among the highest on statewide exams. About 90% of Mercer Island’s high school graduates continue their education. Overall, Mercer Islanders are more affluent and highly educated than many of their Puget Sound neighbors.

Income

Mercer Island residents have more disposable income for recreation than the average Washingtonian. According to the American Community Survey data, median income was \$123,328. This compares to median family income of \$58,890 for Washington residents. Mercer Island per capita income is \$76,619 compared to per capita income of \$30,481 for all Washington residents. Only 1.1% of Mercer Island families live in poverty compared to 8.4% in Washington State.

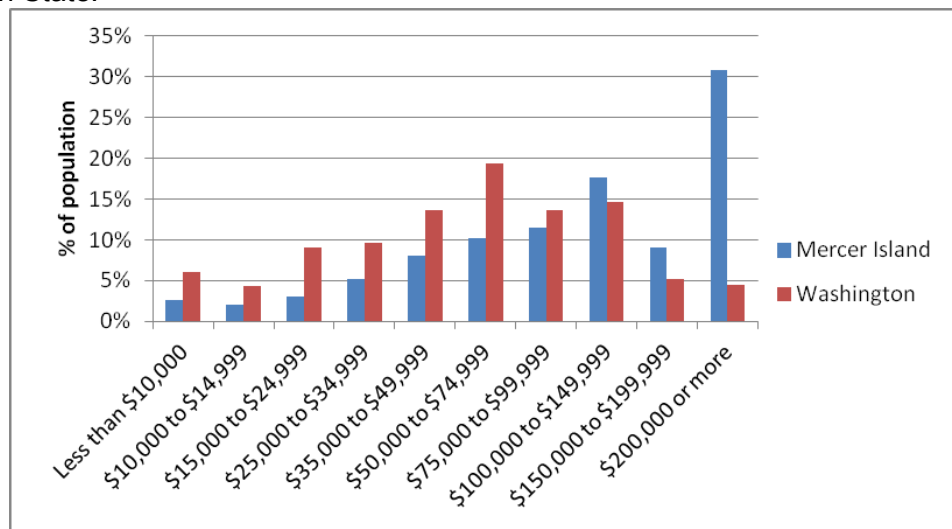


Figure 5: Population comparison by income, Mercer Island and Washington State

Source: US Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey

Housing

According to 2010 Census data, there were 9,109 occupied housing units on Mercer Island out of a total of 9,930 housing units. Seventy two (72%) of the homes were owner occupied as compared to 64% statewide . However, in the American Community Survey, 89% of residents were in the same house they were in the previous year as compared to 82% statewide. There is significant population mobility here as there is across the state. The 2013 King County Assessors information reports the Mean Assessed Value at \$1,025,300 on the Island.



Historical Background

4. Historical Background

Mercer Island was originally settled beginning in 1876. Early speculation led to claiming of all land by 1890. In 1924, a bridge was built over the East Channel, connecting Mercer Island with the eastern mainland. Until 1940, when the first floating bridge to the west was built, this was the only vehicle access to the Island. As population grew in the 1950's, Islanders looked for local government to provide for the type of lifestyle they desired. In 1960, the Town of Mercer Island and the City of Mercer Island were created. As growth slowed in the early 1970's, the Town and City were merged. The 1980's were characterized by rapid building, and the conversion of two publicly-owned properties to housing tracts (The Lakes and Tarywood Park). However, residents were still concerned about their environment. In the 1970's, passage of the Steep Slope, Land Clearing and Watercourse Ordinances provided strong policy on preservation of open spaces. During this time, residents also passed a number of bond issues to purchase park and open space land or improve existing holdings. A continuing construction trend of large homes on relatively small lots has refocused attention on the importance of parks, open spaces and recreation to maintain the present quality of life in the community. The provision of adequate park and recreational facilities, and the conservation of natural areas are important to Island residents. The following inventory of selected studies, plans, events and bond issues demonstrates the extent of the community's efforts to preserve open space, and fulfill recreational and community facility needs.

1961 - Park and Community Activities Board

The Park and Community Activities Board was created in 1961 to oversee park uses, development, and recreation programming. Lands were being considered for park use and resources for recreational programming. King County and the City of Seattle were the main providers of recreation activities until a part time Recreation Director was hired by the Board in 1961. He was employed on a part time basis also working as the School District Athletic Director. A full time director was hired for the first time in 1965. The Parks and Recreation Department moved into the Luther Burbank Park Administration Building, called Luther Burbank Community Center in 1971, and the Mercer View Elementary School was first leased to the City as a Community Center in 1980.

1962 - Dragon Park

The Mercer Island Preschool Association (MIPA) actively fundraised to help develop a children's park as part of Island Crest Park, originally owned and operated by King County Parks. MIPA solicited support from service organizations to help purchase equipment and develop what became known as Dragon Park, as a result of a 50' long plaster and metal dragon feature. After taking a lead stewardship role in the maintenance and care of the area, MIPA handed over park responsibilities to the City of Mercer Island in August of 1965. The park was later named Deane's Childrens Park in honor of Lola and Phil Deane, who were active in the development of the park and other youth and civic activities. The City and MIPA have partnered in subsequent improvements over the years, including a significant renovation in 2005.

1963 - A Preliminary Park and Recreational Plan

City of Mercer Island

The Preliminary Park and Recreational Plan was the first attempt to comprehensively plan for the Island's recreational needs. The plan introduced an open space classification for unbuildable areas, and recommended such areas for acquisition by the City. The plan also

proposed a trail system through designated open space areas along East Mercer Way, across the University of Washington properties (Pioneer Park), and up to Island Crest Park.

1963 - Circulation and Recreation Planning

John Graham and Company

The John Graham Study was the first of the major reports dealing with the recreational needs of the Island. The report noted that the Island was lacking in public recreational facilities primarily because most residents were able to provide for their own recreational needs. It was found that Island residents would be willing to spend money to acquire "just plain old open space" in order to preserve the natural features of the Island.

1964 - Park Bond Issue

In 1964, Islanders approved an \$890,000 bond issue for acquisition and minor development of the University of Washington & Catholic Archdiocese properties (Pioneer Park).

1966 - Park and Open Space Plan

City of Mercer Island

The Park and Open Space Plan was drafted by the Planning Commission, Park Board, and City staff. It was the first parks plan to be officially adopted. The plan emphasized park land acquisition in order to serve projected population levels. Recreational standards were adopted as goals which could be modified in the future, if necessary, to meet the particular characteristics of the Island. An open space system was introduced which combined individual parks into one system, provided safe access, and utilized ravines and other unbuildable areas for paths and trails.

1968 - Parks Master Plan

City of Mercer Island Park and Recreation Department

The Parks Master Plan, adopted by the City Council in 1968, was a further step by the City toward developing a workable parks and recreation plan. It provided guidelines for park land acquisition and development of existing park sites, along with a six-year capital improvements program. The Master Plan was a continuation of the City's efforts to develop the concepts in the 1966 Park and Open Space Plan.

1969 - Observation: Mercer Island

Kenneth W. Brooks, Architect, FA/A

The observations expressed a strong desire to retain areas of the Island for walking, riding, and bicycling.

1969 - Mercer Island Planning Phase I Population Land Use Economics

Harstad Associates, Inc.

The Phase I Planning Study clarified, for the first time, the amount of developed and undeveloped land on the Island. In 1968, out of a total of 4,127 acres of land on the Island, 3,062 acres were developed and 1,065 acres were undeveloped. It was found that most of the undeveloped land was in areas of 25 percent slope or more (the areas previously considered unbuildable).

1969 - Golf Course Advisory Ballot

In 1969, an advisory ballot to build a golf course on the eastern 80 acres of Pioneer Park was presented to and defeated by the voters. This was the first in a series of attempts to build a golf course on Mercer Island.

1970 - A Proposal for Planned Saturation for Mercer Island***Moss-Ralston***

The Moss-Ralston proposal introduced the much debated concept of limiting the Island's population growth by utilizing "trading dollars" to purchase open space land. Open space land would be purchased with the money taxpayers would save by not extending the services required to support a saturation population. The report recommended that the City acquire and establish use restrictions on approximately 670 acres of undeveloped land for the purpose of obtaining paths, greenbelts, and open space land.

A follow-up analysis of the Moss-Ralston proposal proved that the cost of purchasing the 670 undeveloped acres was beyond the City's budget, and introduced other methods short of outright purchase to acquire some or all of the undeveloped land for public use. The study also inventoried undeveloped land areas, and derived cost per acre figures for each of the Island's major geographic areas. An analysis of the cost per acre figures revealed that it would be more cost effective for the Island to buy steeply sloping, unplatted areas, rather than platted sites.

A second follow-up study of the Moss-Ralston proposal by a "Greenbelt Steering Committee" concluded that although the dollars saved by not extending services offset the cost of land acquisition, there were other equally important intangibles that would be provided by the acquisition of open space areas. It was recognized that the preservation of open space to protect the Island's natural drainage areas and hillsides was a justifiable end in itself. The Greenbelt Steering Committee recommended a priority schedule of land acquisition based upon the probability of the land to be lost to development. A \$5,000,000 bond issue (see below) was recommended to purchase approximately 400 acres.

1971 & 1972 - Bond Issues

In 1971, a \$2,000,000 bond issue was presented to Mercer Island voters. The bond issue was the first phase of a \$5,000,000 plan to purchase approximately 400 acres of wooded ravines and hillsides. All parcels to be purchased were two or more acres in area. The proposed levy would have increased property taxes by approximately three percent. The proposal was endorsed by the voters, but did not receive the voter turnout necessary for implementation.

Following a strong positive indication of support from a sample survey, a \$2,900,000 bond issue was presented to the voters in September, 1972. One part of the issue proposed \$1,200,000 for open space. Other parts proposed \$500,000 for parks, and \$300,000 for trails. The open space and parks issues failed by a significant margin! The trails issue passed with 64 percent of the vote.

1972 - Natural History of Pioneer Park***Mercer Island Environmental Council***

Citizens recognized that the 113.95 acre Pioneer Park represented a valuable natural resource to Mercer Island. In order to better indicate the general uses for which Pioneer Park would be suited, the Mercer Island Environmental Council prepared an inventory and analysis of the wildlife, vegetation, hydrology, climate and aesthetic qualities of the park. A revised edition of this publication was published by the City in January, 1990.

1972 - Mercer Island Capital Improvements Program***Harstad Assoc., Inc.***

The Mercer Island Capital Improvements Program identified goals for capital improvements and nominated capital improvement and community facilities projects for completion over a year time frame.

1972 - Mercer Island Comprehensive Planning Study***Harstad Assoc., Inc.***

The Mercer Island Comprehensive Planning Study was part of the future planning decisions, and

discussed the need for incorporation of environmental considerations into the land development process. The study also included an urban design program for the CBD, a discussion of community

facilities, an arterial plan proposal and a draft Planned Unit Development ordinance. The document was used in the adoption of the Design Commission and land clearing ordinances in 1972, the watercourse ordinance in 1974, and the steep slope ordinance in 1978. The 1973 Community Facilities Plan and the 1976 Arterial Plan were additional outgrowths of the study.

1973 - Pioneer Park Concept Plan***City of Mercer Island***

The City prepared a concept plan for uses of Pioneer Park. This plan proposed various recreational improvements in the Park. The northwest section would be designed for family use and would contain pedestrian/ bicycle trails, benches, trash receptacles, a picnic area and a perimeter equestrian trail. The southeast section would be for pedestrians, bicycles and horses, and would have pedestrian/bicycle trails and some equestrian trails. The northeast section would be used for environmental education, and would contain trails, interpretive markers, portable toilets and safety improvements. This plan also called for acquisition of property or easements to allow access to the northeast ravine from East Mercer Way. Some of these improvements have been installed; others have been funded through the 1983 Bond Issue.

1975 - Outdoor Education. Athletic Facility Study***Hogan***

In a study jointly funded by the City and the School District, school facilities were evaluated in terms of their educational and park and recreational potential in order to maximize use of available facilities for both educational and recreational purposes.

1976 - Golf Course Feasibility Study***Windscott Co.***

The Golf Course Feasibility Study recommended that the City develop a nine hole golf course, a driving range, clubhouse, and indoor tennis facility on the School District's "South 40" property (now, "The Lakes" subdivision). This recommendation was supported by the City Council and included as part of a \$2.5 million 1976 Bond Issue for parks improvement.

1976 - Bond Issue

Voters rejected this ballot issue, which included the "South 40" improvements discussed above, along with improvement of the Middle School athletic fields, renovation of Island Crest Park, and improvements at Homestead, Groveland and Clarke Beach parks. The bond issue was

supported by a majority of the voters, but failed to receive the voter turnout necessary for implementation.

1979 - Bond Issue

\$1.4 million was requested in 1979 for the acquisition of 17 hillside acres adjacent to the Mercerdale property, between the business district and surrounding single-family residential area. The wooded character of the property would be preserved. Development would consist of trails and trail appurtenances. The proposal received 85 percent voter approval. Trails within the 1.3 mile long greenbelt between SE 40th and SE 27th and between the business district and First Hill were completed in 1981.

1980 - Mercerview Elementary School – Community Center Lease Agreement

A lease agreement was established with the Mercer Island School District for the Mercer View Elementary School and property, approximately 8.4 acres. Originally built in 1960, the school was closed because of declining enrollment. The first year lease was set at \$84,000, and \$21,000 annually thereafter. In 1985, the annual payment of \$21,000 was eliminated as the City agreed to maintain 17 acres of School District athletic fields at South Mercer Playfields. Subsequently in 2002, the property was finally purchased from the Mercer Island School District. The 4-building facility served approximately 120,000 residents and visitors each year. The 27,000 sq. ft. Center provided office space for the Parks and Recreation Department and Youth and Family Services Department, as well as rooms for recreation programs serving youths, teens, adults, families and seniors and for rentals (i.e. Weight Watchers, ski clubs, Chamber of Commerce luncheons, business and community meetings, etc.). A small gymnasium, weight room and a public art gallery were also included in this facility. This facility served as the City's community center until 2004 when a new facility was built.

1983 - Bond Issue

A \$2 million bond issue for general parks improvement received 62 percent voter approval in 1983. Improvement plans included the installation of sports fields, sports field lighting, restrooms, parking areas, and landscaping on 17 acres of semi-developed property at Islander Middle School (now South Mercer Playfields) and Island Crest Park. Other improvements would occur at the City's street ends, and at Clarke Beach, Groveland Beach, Pioneer and Homestead Field Parks.

1984 - Bond Issue

In 1984, a \$2.4 million bond issue was presented to the voters to acquire three surplus school district properties, including 17 acres of the "South 40" property, west of Islander Middle school, the "Secret Park" property, and the East Seattle School property. Development funds would also have been provided for the improvement of East Seattle School. The issue was supported by 52% of the voters, but failed to receive the voter turnout necessary for implementation.

1987 - Secret Park Purchase

In 1987, the City Council agreed to purchase Secret Park, which was being surplus by the School District. Voters approved using the unallocated funds from the 1979 Bond Issue for this transaction.

1988 - Bond Issue

In May, 1988, Island voters passed a \$1.7 million bond issue to purchase 7 acres of vacant property between 1-90 and Gallagher Hill Road, east of Shorewood. This land consisted of two parcels - 1.3 acres owned by an insurance company, zoned Commercial Office, and 5.67 acres (zoned multi-family R-2) for which permits had been submitted for development of 122 apartment units.

1988 - Mercerdale Task Force Report

Following the establishment of a new City Hall on the old "Farmers" site at 9611 SE 36th St., a community task force was appointed to study the future use of Mercerdale Field. A passive use plan was adopted in June 1988, which included a plaza, water feature, paths, lawns and benches.

1989 - King County Bond Issue

In November, 1989, King County voters approved a county-wide bond issue for purchase of open space. Two Mercer Island projects were included in the list of land to be purchased: 21 acres along SE 53rd Place, and 15,000 square feet adjacent to the Mercerdale Hillside open space. The City had purchased the Mercerdale site. The SE 53rd Place land was put on the market, and was sold to a private developer for \$3.5 million (significantly more than the \$1 million authorized by the bond issue). After negotiations with the developer, the City purchased the land. Bridge financing was used until October 1991.

1990 - Hebert Studies***Hebert Research, Inc.***

In late 1989 and early 1990, the City commissioned Hebert Research Inc. to perform two different surveys. The first addressed human service needs, including recreational programming, support for improvements and Community Center use. The second study was designed to survey Island attitudes toward the size of single-family housing. These surveys are further discussed in the "Public Participation" section.

1990 - Golf Sub-Committee Report

In March, 1989, a group of residents asked the Park and Community Activities Board (PCAB) to consider use of a portion of Pioneer Park for a 9-hole executive golf course. Following a series of public meetings, the PCAB voted to establish a golf sub-committee. This sub-committee met bi-weekly between November, 1989 and June, 1990. The majority report (which was subsequently accepted by the PCAB and sent to City Council for action) recommended placing the golf course issue on the November, 1990 ballot. A public hearing on the recommendation was held before the City Council in August, 1990. In Sept. 1990, the City Council rejected the committee's recommendation, effectively halting the golf course proposal. Staff was also directed to research methods to designate Pioneer Park as a natural area.

1990 - Pioneer Park General Master Plan

This plan updated the 1973 concept plan adopted by the City Council. The new plan was presented to the Park & Community Activities Board in June, 1990, but was not adopted by the City.

1991 - Ballfield User Group (BUG)

This group of community sports organizations came together to deal with growing demands on athletic facilities and to reduce the number of conflicts occurring between teams, organizations, and officials. With the demand on fields growing each year, field conditions were deteriorating and safety was a concern. By bringing together the main youth and adult agencies, it provided the City an opportunity for better communication and to instill the priority of ongoing maintenance. The organization's role was established to provide feedback to the Parks and Recreation Department and to support Department policies and directions. Participating organizations were Parks and Recreation Department, Parks Maintenance, School District Maintenance, High School, Middle School, Boys and Girls Club, Soccer Association, and Jewish Community Center. Island Baseball Club and Lacrosse Club were added in 2000.

1992 - Mercer Island Open Space Conservancy Trust

City Council established the Mercer Island Open Space Conservancy Trust in response to the many needs and strong desire to maintain, protect, and preserve open space on the Island. The Trust role is to receive and hold title to real property, or interest in real property; and to insure the development and use of the Open Space Properties are both consistent and compatible with the intent and purposes of the Trust and guidelines and policies enacted by City Council.

1994 to 2001 - Skate Park at Mercerdale Park

The original 50' X 70' skate facility, on Mercerdale Park, was constructed in 1994 as the first unsupervised skate facility in the region. Members of the Park and Community Activities Board (PCAB), local youth and their parents, staff and Council member Judy Clibborn worked for over a year to develop a safe area for skateboarding activities. Due to the immense popularity of skating and the demand for public skating facilities, the Washington State Legislature adopted SSB 5254 in 1997, which amended the recreational user statute, to expand covered activities by adding 'skateboarding or other non-motorized wheel-based activities, hang gliding, paragliding.' This meant that the cities would not be held responsible for injuries sustained by skateboarders or inline skaters at skateboard parks operated by the city as long as: (1) a fee is not charged for use of the skateboard park; and (2) conspicuous signs are posted to warn of any known dangerous, artificial, latent conditions. On December 3, 2001 City Council authorized the expansion of the skate park to almost double in size. The expansion of the skate park was the result of meetings held with skaters and parents. The construction was completed on the addition and reopened in 2002.

1995 - I-90 Lid Sculpture Park

In 1995, the City of Mercer Island reached agreement with Washington State Department of Transportation to install outdoor sculptures on a portion of the I-90 property between 77th Ave SE and 80th Ave SE. The first year, Primavera II was installed at the 80th Ave end. Since then, three other permanent pieces have been acquired by the City. The idea for an outdoor gallery began in 1992 with a task force of over 35 volunteers. The vision for the gallery was to humanize and enhance the open space created by the I-90 corridor; to complement and celebrate the unique landscape opportunity; and to provide positive public art experiences for the broadest possible audience. The sculpture gallery also displays other sculptures on an annual rotation, typically hosting 2-8 additional sculptures along the pedestrian walkway. This program won the Dorothy Mullens Arts and Humanities Award from the National Recreation and Parks Association in 1997.

1996 - Hebert Park Usage Assessment Focus Groups***Hebert Research, Inc.***

The City again commissioned Hebert Research, Inc. to perform two focus groups of residents with children under 18 years of age and residents without children. The focus groups looked at what parks are used, what programs are used, the level of awareness of programs, participation at the Community Center, what are perceived needs, program strengths, and weaknesses, Recreation Guide use, Senior Newsletter use, and what improvements residents felt were necessary in programs, services or facilities.

1996 - Park and Community Activities Board Eliminated

During 1994-1996, the City Council systematically studied the mission and effectiveness of boards and commissions. A comprehensive review, the Glaser Report, was delivered in March of 1995. A Special Meeting of the Council and board/commission members was held in May, 1995. Subsequently, the Council formed a sub-committee of Council members Edberg, Jarrett, and Mayor Clibborn to draft new policy on City boards and commissions. At the same time, each board was asked to describe their current statement of work and value to the community. A study session was held in October, 1995, where additional public and Council input was solicited. In December of 1995, the Council passed a motion to eliminate certain boards and restructure others. The Park and Community Activity Board was eliminated in 1996 in order to reduce costs and streamline the Cities board system.

1998 - Bond Issue

A \$19.1 million Bond Issue was presented to the voters in support of the construction of a new community center at the current Community Center at Mercer View site. Because the land was still owned by the Mercer Island School District, \$3 million was to be used for the purchase of the land. Miller/Hull Architects were contracted to design the community center. With strong opposition from a community group, the bond was defeated by a 2 to 1 margin. A follow-up study by Hebert Research, Inc. indicated that the residents were not willing to support \$19.1 million, but were willing to pay a lesser amount for a community facility.

1998 - Hebert Research Survey

City Council requested Hebert Research of Bellevue to research specific details on information from Mercer Island residents who voted "No" on the Community Center Proposition.

1998 - Mercerdale Park Master Plan***MacLeod Reckord***

This Master Plan, developed by MacLeod Reckord, was approved by the City Council in 1998. The plan retained Mercerdale as public land for development as a naturally landscaped park with open space trails, quiet areas, play areas for children, a public plaza and future use for elderly housing, a senior/community center, a thrift shop and a recycling center.

2000 - Financing of Youth and Family Services & Parks and Recreation Departments

Council reviewed the financing, sources of funds and management system of those funds for the services provided by the Department of Youth and Family Services and to provide an overview of the services and revenue policies for the Department of Parks and Recreation. In addition to the City's General Fund, services provided by Youth and Family Services are financed through a variety of private sources (Thrift Shop proceeds, community organizations, fundraising efforts, client fees, and interest from Trust and Endowment Funds), as well as additional public sources such as contracts with King County and the Mercer Island School

District. The Parks and Recreation Department relies on user fees to enhance revenues for its programs.

2000 - Park Services District Analysis, Youth & Family Services Governance and Financing

As a result of the impacts associated with the passage of I-695, a review was conducted on the possibility of implementing a voted park district and the possibility of Youth and Family Services to become a private non-profit agency.

2000 - City Council/School Board Joint Resolution on Cooperation and Collaboration

In recognition of the City and School Board sharing the same boundaries, the same citizens, deriving local taxes from the same constituents and past cooperation and collaboration committed to searching for areas of continued partnership by aspiring to agree upon principles and goals. Both bodies adopted a resolution adopting such principles.

2000 - Parks Maintenance Level of Service

In the early 1980's, the Maintenance Department assumed responsibility for the maintenance of park and open space properties. In 1999, a Council study session provided a venue to discuss park maintenance standards. In conjunction with 2001-02 budget preparations, the Council reviewed level of service (LOS) standards to determine whether the level of service was too high in all parks, too high in a few parks, too low in some parks or at an appropriate level in all parks. Council concurred with staff's recommended level of service.

2000 - Class (Escom) Facility Booking and Activity Scheduling Software

In September, 1997, a committee was formed to explore the computer scheduling software available on the market. After two years of consideration, on Nov. 1, 1999, City Council approved the purchase of the Class Registration, Point of Sale, and Facility Scheduling software modules. City Council authorized the expenditure of \$58,796 for the purchase of scheduling, registration, cash receipting, reporting, training, and server upgrade. Facility Scheduling was implemented in July, 2000 and Registration Module was implemented in September, 2000.

2000 - Pioneer Park Master Plan

MacLeod Reckord

In Fall 2000, the Mercer Island Open Space Conservancy Trust and the City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department initiated the development of a long-term Master Plan for improvements to Pioneer Park. MacLeod Reckord provided consulting services in the development of the plan. The purpose of the plan was to address physical improvements that would improve access and enhance public use of the park. The plan was approved by the Trust in October, 2001, and the City Council allocated funding to implement the plan in 2002.

2001 to 2002 - Community Facilities Planning Process

Over a two year period, the City has worked cooperatively with the major owners and suppliers of community facilities. The Community Facilities Planning Process was created to assess the potential of shared use and joint development of community facilities, primarily of a recreational/educational nature on Mercer Island. The key players included the City, School District, Boys and Girls Club, Stroum Jewish Community Center and French American School. During the planning process Beckwith Consulting was hired to facilitate the development of a Master Plan involving all participating agencies. In December, 2002 Evans/McDonough Company conducted a telephone survey on the most important issues facing the residents of

Mercer Island. The survey found that voters were optimistic about the way things were going on Mercer Island. The Community Center was not among the top four issues of concern. Police and firefighting was the top voter priority for city tax dollars. It was found that even though there was positive support for the job Parks and Recreation Department was doing, there was not enough support to meet a 60% vote and pass a bond issue.

2002 - Mercerdale Park Master Plan Improvements

The Mercerdale Park Master Plan was developed in 1989 and revised in 2000 ("Plan 2000"). A skate park was installed on the east side of the park just south of the nature garden in 1992. A major expansion of the skate park and the addition of a children's play area was completed in the fall of 2002. The Mercer Island Preschool Association (MIPA) partnered with the City in fundraising for the new children's park, now known as "Train Park". Two public art pieces are located along the south end of the park. The Recycling Center and restrooms on the northwest corner are adjacent to Bicentennial Park. Recent additions to the park have expanded the natural forested area on the west side with winding pathways.

2002 - Bounce Foundation

At the May, 2002 City Council Meeting, several young teens addressed the Council about a teen center initiative they had launched "to provide a safe, fun and educational gathering place operated by and for teenagers." City Council supported the idea of providing some financial support for a teen oriented café. A \$35,000 grant was awarded to the Bounce Foundation on a 50% matching basis. The "Bounce Cyber Café" opened in a vacant mall facility, but struggled to find volunteers, financial support and willing teen users. The Café closed after six months of operations.

2002 - Council Parks and Recreation Committee

On August 5, 2002, City Council established a sub-committee of the Council to consider Parks and Recreation issues. Council was experiencing increasing numbers of parks and recreation projects and issues. Council decided that a sub-committee of the Council could provide a helpful source of information and in some cases, recommendations to the full Council. Three Council members were appointed to the committee by the Mayor to work with Director of the Parks and Recreation Department to bring this committee into action. The first meeting of the committee occurred on March 13, 2003.

2002 - Cost of Service and Fee Study

Based on its concern about its revenues and the cost of providing services, the City of Mercer Island initiated a study to analyze the cost of service and fees for the Parks and Recreation Department. The overall objectives of the study were to: (1) Identify the cost of service for the Department's activities and services; (2) Determine the amount of cost recovered through fees; (3) Review parks and recreation fees in comparable jurisdictions; and (4) Assist the Department in developing fee recommendations for its 2003-2004 proposed budget. Financial Consulting Solutions Group, Inc. (FCSG) submitted their final report on November 20, 2002.

2002 - Transfer of 1.57 acres to City

In 2002, the Margaret and Kenneth Quarles transferred 1.57 acres of property in the 6500 block of East Mercer Way to the City for \$200,000. This acquisition was financed equally from a combination of City Capital Improvement Plan funds dedicated for open space acquisition and

King County Conservation Futures. Conservation Futures Tax (CFT) levy funds are collected from property taxes levied throughout King County and its cities for the purchase of open space lands. This addition, in conjunction with a pedestrian trail easement on an adjacent property (James Altman), allowed a trail and bridge connection from Pioneer Park to East Mercer Way in 2003.

2002 - Mary Wayte Pool Transfer

In order to alleviate budget problems, King County offered to hand over the ownership of many of its pools and parks that were located within city boundaries. King County offered to hand over the ownership of both Mary Wayte Pool and Luther Burbank Park to the City of Mercer Island. After many months of negotiation and meetings, the City of Mercer Island decided that the acceptance of the pool would be a financial burden to the City and declined the offer. However, Luther Burbank Park was accepted with certain provisions. After the decision to not accept the pool, the City Council met with many citizens asking for another plan. King County planned to close the pool at the end of 2002 if no other solution was found. On December 12, 2002, City Council authorized the allocation of \$100,000 toward the support of the Northwest Center to operate the pool for the year 2003 and \$100,000 per year on a year-to-year basis up to 5 years after that. The Northwest Center is a non-profit organization that supports special needs populations and was willing to take on the pool as an income source. The Northwest Center also took on three other pools in cities throughout King County.

2002 - Wireless Communication Facilities (WCF's) in Parks

In December of 2002, the section of the Mercer Island City Code that regulates wireless communications facilities (19.06.040) was modified in an effort to provide more placement options for these facilities. In residential zones, the placement of WCFs was restricted to Island Crest Way between SE 40th Street and SE 68th Street, the South Mercer Island Fire Station, Puget Power Substation, and the Mercer Island Water Reservoir. Residents along Island Crest Way felt that they were being unfairly targeted by the City when permitting these facilities. Therefore, City Council decided to limit the placement of WCFs to Island Crest Way between SE 40th Street and SE 53rd Place and SE 63rd Street to SE 68th Street, and allow these facilities to be placed in Island Crest Park and adjacent to Clise Park under certain conditions.

2002 - Historical Designation of Luther Burbank Park Administration Building

The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 02-16 providing a process for the designation of historical buildings by adoption of City Council resolution ("Historical Designation Ordinance"). The Historical Designation Ordinance requires that the City Council review a staff recommendation regarding the mandatory criteria to determine whether or not a nominated building should receive a historical designation.

Under the terms of that certain Land Transfer Intergovernmental Agreement entered into between King County and the City providing for the transfer of the Luther Burbank Park to the City, the City has agreed to adopt a historical designation of a certain building located on the Park and currently being used by the King County Parks Department administrative staff. On December 2, 2002, the City Council approved Resolution 1310 granting historical designation to the Luther Burbank Park Administration Building.

2003 - Luther Burbank Park Transfer

During the summer of 2001, representatives from the King County Executive's Office contacted the City concerning the status of Luther Burbank Park. Facing a \$52 million deficit for 2002 with

growing deficits in 2003 and beyond, King County approached several cities containing regional parks to gauge local interest in long term ownership and operation of the facilities. Mercer Island, Kirkland, Tukwila and Bellevue were the first cities contacted. Following 8 months of negotiations, the City and the County negotiated an Intergovernmental Land Transfer Agreement providing for the transfer of the Luther Burbank Park to the City of Mercer Island effective January 1, 2003.

2003 - New Park Fee Increases

Based on the results of the Cost of Service and Fee Study conducted by Financial Consultant Solutions Group, Inc. (FCSG), to determine the cost of all Parks and Recreation programs and services and identify the level of cost recovery for each program, it was necessary to implement increased fees for recreation programs and services beginning January 1, 2003. The study recommended and the City Council concurred that the Department adjust their recovery goal to an average of 51% of overall costs.

2003 - Community Center Summary Report

Evans/McDonough Company, Incorporated

Three hundred (300) interviews were conducted randomly among registered voters in Mercer Island via a telephone survey to determine awareness/knowledge of the City's current plans for a new community center and assess support for various possible bond measures. Strategic recommendations were provided to the Council in developing a financing strategy.

2003 - Mercer Island Recreation Services Foundation Eliminated

Having been inactive for a number of years, a decision was made to dissolve the Foundation and its board of officers and directors. In January, 2004, the Department joined the Northwest Parks Foundation, a 501(C)3 corporation, as a community partner in establishing a Parks Safety Net Fund which acts as a donor intermediary for directed donations to the Department. The Northwest Parks Foundation, founded in 2002, is private, non-profit organization created to support park and recreation facilities throughout Western Washington through financial endowments, organizational grants, and capital projects.

2003 - New Community Center Plan

After the defeat of the 1998 Bond Issue, a Hebert Research Inc. survey concluded that another bond issue would probably fail. The construction of a new community center was made a high priority issue at the 2002 City Council retreat. On November 18, 2002, the City Council received a presentation on a range of community center project scales and costs. The Council then authorized that schematic drawings be developed and a voter survey be implemented to poll the residents of Mercer Island on their level of support for various community center costing scenarios. The survey reflected some negative feelings carried over from the 1998 Community Center, but also a high level of support for the City. At the 2003 City Council retreat in January, Council decided to use Capital Reserve Funds and Capital Improvement Program Reserves (REET) to fund the construction of a new community Center. City Council looked at the cost options of either a remodel of the current Center or the construction of a totally new center. On July 7, 2003, the City Council voted to fund new construction at the existing Community Center at Mercer View site for \$13.1 million dollars (later amended to \$12.4 million). Parks and Recreation offices were relocated to the Luther Burbank Administration Building in June 2004, and recreational programs were temporarily relocated to other community facilities (Boys and Girls Club, Stroum Jewish Community Center, School District, VFW Hall, Covenant Shores,

Mercer Island Library, Emerald Club, Shorewood Heights) during the construction period. The new approximately 42,000 sq. ft. community center opened in December 2005.

2003 - Homestead Field Master Plan

Bruce Dees and Associates

As part of the City's 2001-2002 Capital Investment Program (CIP), City Council authorized and set aside funds for the Homestead Field drainage improvement project. In coordination with the renovation project, City staff engaged regular users of the park as well as residents of the Homestead neighborhood in a public involvement process that related to potential future developments at Homestead Field. Bruce Dees and Associates facilitated and formulated the plan. This process was intended to provide a forum for the hearing, consideration and decision-making about a number of facility improvements that had been requested by various park users over the last few years. Because not all park user interests could be met (some too costly, some contradictory), an advisory committee including representatives of the park users and City staff was formed to develop a consensus plan for potential future improvements. The "master plan" brought to Council reflected that consensus.

On May 6, 2002, upon further consideration of the drainage project and other proposed improvements, Council authorized staff to move forward with the drainage project but chose not to endorse any of the proposed future improvements for the park. On August 4, 2003, on subsequent consideration, the Council approved the revised Plan.

2003 - Mercer Island School District Stadium Interlocal Agreement

Voters approved a bond issue for the renovation of the Mercer Island High School stadium field surface and track. At the joint meeting of the Board and City Council, the City agreed to a \$500,000 payment to the District in exchange for (1) community use of the field during specified hours and (2) the City controls scheduling of all field use through its CLASS software program. The Agreement was finalized in October 2003 by both entities and scheduling began in January 2004.

2003 - Luther Burbank Park Bond Issue

During the first year of the Park ownership, City Council chose to finance the maintenance of the park through a capital reserve account – a "one-time" revenue source. City Council authorized \$240,000 to maintain the park for just the one year. At the September 2, 2003 regular council meeting, the City Council directed the City Manager to submit the question to the voters of Mercer Island at the November 4th general election ballot, of new revenue in the annual amount of \$415,000 for the specific purpose of paying for existing and future expenses to maintain and operate Luther Burbank Park for a period of six years. The Bond Issue passed and funding established for 2004 through 2010. During the six year period, a planning process and a park master plan was developed for the future development of the park.

2003 - Recreation Services Report

MIG

MIG (Moore, Iacofano, Goltsman, Inc.) completed a comprehensive recreation services study that defined the Parks and Recreation Department's role as a major provider and coordinator of recreation programs and special events. The study provided a snapshot of classes offered during the 2002 calendar year. It identified staff, facilities, and partnerships that will be needed in order to provide future programs and services.

2003 - Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan

City of Mercer Island

For over a year in late 2002 and into 2003, a forest management plan was developed by the Open Space Conservancy Trust that provided direction for management and intervention within Pioneer Park to maintain the native forest ecosystem, protect public safety and enhance positive uses of the park over the long-term. The Forest Management Plan focused on the 118 acre Pioneer Park and its three 39-acre blocks of second growth western-hemlock forest and one of the largest relatively unfragmented forest habitat remaining on the island. Laminated root rot was killing Douglas fir trees while age was claiming many alders and maples in the park. As these trees were dying, they left “gaps” in the tree canopy of the park. Invasive, non-native plants, notably ivy, holly and blackberry were widespread in the park and taking over wherever trees were dying. They were preventing the regrowth or “regeneration” of canopy trees. As a result, the Plan was developed to guide future vegetation and forest work priorities and was subsequently adopted by the City Council on December 15, 2003.

2003 - Boys and Girls Club Shared Use Agreement

The ‘Community Facilities Planning Process’ was created to assess the potential of shared use and joint development of community facilities, primarily of a recreational/educational nature on Mercer Island. On October 30, 2001 the Boys and Girls Club submitted a proposal to the City for joint financing and use of the Club’s facilities. The original proposal included plans to renovate and make additions to the larger portion of the Club. The final Agreement designated the joint use by the City of the renovated gym facility only. City Council’s final approval of the Agreement was made at the December 15, 2003 Council Meeting. The City agreed to commit \$1,000,000 to the Club for shared use of the renovated gym facility for a minimum of 2,746 hours a year. The Club was required to fundraise 70% of the entire project budget prior to December 31, 2004 and the remaining 30% by June 30, 2005 in order to receive the City’s \$1,000,000 matching funds.

2003 - Park Improvement, Gift and Donation Policy

The City Council adopted a park improvement, gift and donation policy to guide the consideration of gifts and donations to the Parks and Recreation Department. The policy clarified roles and responsibilities of the donor, staff, advisory boards and the City Council and provided criteria in which to evaluate potential improvements.

2004 - Open Space Vegetation Plan

City of Mercer Island

In early 2004, The City Council directed staff “to develop a recommendation that would identify the process city staff would undertake, the time frame, and the resources that are needed to preserve the open spaces and parks from invasive species with any plans for implementation or costs associated with the preservation.” Subsequently, the City Council approved a scope of work that called for staff and consultants to assess the current condition of park properties, initiative public meetings to ascertain the values/benefits of vegetation and to prioritize various management methods and costs that would result in several investment options for Council consideration. In early October, the City Council received the Open Space Vegetation Plan and indicated an initial willingness to fund a moderate level of vegetation control work for \$79,000 per year in 2005-06 from the City’s Capital Improvement Fund . Subsequently, Council increased the level of vegetation management by appropriating an additional \$56,000 per year in 2005-06 from the City’s Beautification Fund.

2004 - Ivy Initiative

In early March 2003, several residents pursued placing an initiative on the ballot to raise property taxes in order to provide funding for the removal of non-native, invasive plant material (i.e. English ivy, Himalayan and Evergreen blackberry, English laurel, English holly, Japanese knotweed, and etc.) from all city owned parks, open spaces, street ends and public rights of way. The effort called for increasing the regular property tax levy to generate \$1.250,000 in tax revenue per year for a period of ten (10) consecutive years. The Mercer Island City Council passed a resolution opposing the initiative. Subsequently, King County Elections certified 2,466 signatures and the matter was placed before the voters at a special election on March 9, 2004. The initiative was defeated with a 82 percent “no” vote. The City Council subsequently directed staff to propose an independent scope of work to address the condition of parks and open space areas.

2004 - Community Center Operations Report***Warren Cooley/EdCon***

As a result of the City Council’s decision to construct a new community center, staff retained Warren Cooley/EdCon to update and recalculate his 1998 operational assessment of the then proposed 52,753 square foot community center complex. In April 2004, a Final Report was prepared and issued to staff for budget planning.

2004 - City Budgeting Survey Summary Report***Evans/McDonough Company, Incorporated***

A telephone survey of 401 randomly chosen registered voters of Mercer Island was conducted to help the City understand voter priorities, evaluate the City’s performance in a variety of service areas, and establish baseline measurements to track changes in these figures over time. The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department received the most favorable ratings (91%) when analyzed with other external and internal organizations (King County Council, City Council, Police Department, etc.) Summer Celebration (84%) and other community events (86%) were given favorable ratings. Strong positive ratings were given to the City’s maintenance of parks, trails and open space (85% positive) and “providing recreation programs for families with children” (71%). A third (32%) of voters didn’t know enough about the City’s senior recreation programs to rate them. However, voters over 50 years old gave positive ratings to these services. Two thirds (64% vs. 58% overall) gave positive ratings to the program while 13% gave a negative rating. A quarter (23% vs. 32%) of voters over 50 years old did not know enough to rate the program.

2004 - Community Center at Mercer View demolished

The major portions of the Community Center at Mercer View began to be demolished (with the exception of “Building D”- and 3 day care spaces) in the summer of 2004 to make way for a 42,000 sq. ft. new state-of-the-art community center offering program meeting rooms, a large multipurpose room, a senior/program room, health room, fitness, dance and games areas, a large gymnasium, public art gallery, lounge and library area, serving kitchen, arts and crafts room and administrative offices. By the time the original community center closed its doors on May 28, 2004, the building was 40 years old.

2004 - Northwest Parks Foundation

In January 2004, the Parks and Recreation Department collaborated with the Northwest Parks Foundation, a 501(C)3 corporation, as a community partner to establish a Parks Safety Net Fund which acts as a donor intermediary for directed donations to the Department. On January

14, 2004, the Foundation Board President approved the Parks Safety Net Fund for the City of Mercer Island. The fund provides for a flexible pool of donations entrusted to the Northwest Parks Foundation that enables donors to direct their charitable contributions to a desired park improvement or acquisition project.

2004 to 2005 - Luther Burbank Park Public Visioning Process

Planning for Luther Burbank Park began in November 2004 with a Community Visioning Process. Community visioning was completed in January 2005, at which time the City Council reviewed the design guidelines that were created during three community workshops. At their annual planning retreat in April 2005, the City Council determined to move ahead with a park master planning process for Luther Burbank Park. The master plan was developed over approximately five months, beginning in September 2005 and included numerous opportunities for community involvement.

2005- to 2006 - Luther Burbank Park Master Planning Process

The City Council initiated a Master Planning Process for Luther Burbank Park on September 6, 2005. Guided by the results of the Community Visioning Process, three discrete planning phases were developed: 1) Information Gathering/Concept Design Development; 2) Review of Concept Designs; and, 3) Review of Preferred Concept Design. The eight-month long master planning process included 15 opportunities for public involvement. A series of five small group sessions were conducted regarding the Off-Leash Dog area; the Dock Area/Small Boat Facility; Shoreline Restoration; Connections to Upper Luther Burbank and Children's Opportunities in the Park. Based on this inventory and analysis, three preliminary master plan concepts were developed for the site and then consolidated into a preferred Master Plan concept based on public. The master plan was adopted by the City Council on April 17, 2006.

2005 - eCitygov.net and www.myparksandrecreation.com on-line activity registration

In the fall of 2000, several cities began to collaborate and develop an on-line activity/program registration process that would enable citizens to search, select and pay for recreation programs across several cities in one, easy single transaction. Nine Eastside cities participated in developing the technical, operational and financial capacity to create a website portal that would provide the needed features and function. The launch of the website portal, www.myparksandrecreation.com happened in early February 2005 with the cities of Bellevue, Kirkland and Mercer Island. The Cities of Issaquah, Woodinville and Bothell joined in the spring of 2005, with Sammamish, Snoqualmie, and Kenmore joining later in the year.

2005 - Community Center at Mercer View Opens

Designed by the architectural firm of Miller & Hull, the Community Center at Mercer View celebrated its grand opening on by officially opening its doors to the public in December 10, 2005 as a modern, state-of-the-art center serving as both a primary civic and business meeting place and a multi-generational facility. In partnership with the Mercer Island community, the Parks & Recreation department increased the community's opportunity to participate in a wider array of programs supporting different aspects of health awareness as well as offering a venue for business and social activities.

The new center was constructed with a 3,335 square foot multi-purpose room, a full-service kitchen, 5 meeting rooms, a fitness center, locker and shower rooms, and an outdoor terraced patio. It also has a 10,500 square foot gymnasium that supports a wide array of fitness programs and rentals, and it has added a number of enhanced programs that were not able to be offered at the old facility, such as Open Gym and Indoor Playground.

The North Annex is the only remaining building from the former facility. It has been repaired and renovated at the same time the new facility was built in order to provide rental space for privately operated preschool and daycare operations, ensuring such services are available on Mercer Island. Preschool and daycare operations occupy three of the four rooms with the remaining room utilized for programs and rentals.

2005 – Upper Luther BMX Course formalized

An informal BMX Course in Upper Luther Burbank Park existed prior to the City's acquisition of Luther Burbank Park. In 2005, Parks and Recreation staff met with course users and established a set of rules about ramp, jump and course modifications. The rules were developed to insure that user-built features met certain industry standards. These rules were posted at the site starting in that year. Parks and Recreation began monitoring the condition of the course that year and has met with the course users periodically to support the standards.

2005 - Pioneer Park Encroachment Policy

In order to clarify boundaries and promote proper use of Open Space Conservancy Trust properties, the Trust and the Parks and Recreation Department established a policy addressing existing private property encroachments including requirements, criteria, guidelines and procedures for remedying them and limiting authorized encroachments.

2006 - City Budgeting Summary Report

Evans/McDonough Company, Incorporated

A tracking survey, based on the content of a similar 2004 survey was conducted to help the City understand voter priorities, evaluate the City's performance in a variety of service areas and establish baseline measurements to track changes in figures over time. Four hundred and two (402) interviews were conducted among registered voters. The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department received a 91% favorable rating, other community events an 86% rating and Summer Celebration! an 86% favorable rating. The maintenance of parks, trails and open space received an 87% favorable rating while recreation programs for families with children and (79%), recreation programs for seniors received 79% and 64% favorable ratings respectively.

2006 - Revisions to Animal Code

The revisions to Mercer Island's Animal Code adopted by Council on July 24, 2006 became effective Friday, September 1. The adoption of the revisions represents a culmination of nine months of public input and discussion about Mercer Island's leash law. The old leash law permitted dogs to be under voice control in certain types of parks and open space areas yet required dogs to be on a leash in other types of park areas. On-leash and off-leash areas were not clearly defined, so park users were often confused about where it was permissible to let their dogs roam without a leash and where it was not. Additionally, terms such as "under control" were vague and difficult to enforce.

2006 - Transfer of Engstrom Open Space to City

Margaret and Kenneth Quarles, 6610 East Mercer Way, agreed to transfer nearly 7 acres of rare open space property to the City of Mercer Island for \$300,000. The three properties, totaling 6.93 acres are located immediately west of East Mercer Way and abut the northeast quadrant of Pioneer Park. The acquisition was made possible from a fund balance in the City's 2005-06 Capital Improvement Plan. The property, permanently dedicated for park and recreation purposes, will be managed as open space by the City's Parks and Recreation

Department. The Quarles have been residents on Mercer Island since 1925, where Margaret was born and raised on the surrounding properties owned by her father, the late Mr. Oscar Engstrom. The significant gift to the City will serve as a lasting legacy to the family's strong ties to the Mercer Island community and represents their strong desire to preserve the property from potential future development while providing recreational trail opportunities for future generations. This is the second such property transfer made by the Quarles (1.57 acres purchased by the City for \$200,000 in 2002). Together, all properties were named Engstrom Open Space.

2007 - King County Proposition 2 Open Space and Regional Trails Levy

In 2007, King County voters approved two property tax levy lid lifts to support park operations and open space and trails for the period of 2008 - 2013. The **Open Space and Trails Levy** was a five-cent levy that included one-cent for open space and trails for each of the 39 cities within King County, distributed by population and assessed value. King County voters approved this levy by 59 percent.

2007 - South Mercer Playfield Synthetic Turf

The South Mercer Playfields All-Weather Field Renovation project was funded in the 2007 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). It was the first synthetic turf field on Mercer Island. The total approved budget for the project was \$755,830. A separately funded field lighting project was completed in the spring of 2008.

2006 to 2007 - Ballfield Use Study

Beckwith Consulting

In 2007 the City completed a Ballfield Use Analysis through Beckwith Consulting, which involved an exhaustive look at then-current field inventory and field conditions, review of scheduling protocols, and direct feedback from users. It was determined that on a per capita basis, Mercer Island had sufficient fields to meet demand, but that field upgrades and revised scheduling practices would maximize the fields more efficiently.

2008 - Leap for Green

The first Leap for Green event started in 2008 as a fun interactive event for children, their families, and others in the community to promote responsible human impacts on the environment. The conception of this event began with Island Vision; a non-profit Mercer Island group whose mission is to encourage and support sustainable practices on Mercer Island. The target audience is kids, but the event is for "kids of all ages" with the intention that kids come with parents and grandparents and those without kids will feel comfortable attending. The content is accessible to both kids and adults. It is a priority for event activities to include members of the community who have sustainable initiatives and views, and to create awareness of the challenges facing all of us in reducing our impact on our earth. Leap for Green takes place at the Community & Event Center and is held during April, as close to Earth Day as possible. Island Vision members co-chair the committee of city staff and volunteers.

2008 - Island Crest Way Trail

The half-mile-long trail along Island Crest Way from SE 71st Street to SE 78th Street formally opened at the end of July. The construction was completed by Maintenance staff under the approved \$90,000 budget. Staff also applied for and received funding from the King Conservation District for landscaping along the trail. City staff and neighbors worked on the

landscaping design. Landscaping was installed by neighborhood volunteers and Parks and Recreation staff in October 2008. This trail added 0.5 miles of trail to the right-of-way system.

2008 - Cost of Service and Fee Study

PMC

Parks and Recreation hired PMC, a planning and municipal consulting firm to determine the City's cost of providing fee-generating recreation services, review comparable fees from other jurisdictions, and assist in developing fee recommendations. Costs included direct and indirect costs. The plan recommended cost recovery goals for different categories of activities. These goals have been used to set revenue targets in subsequent budgets.

2008 - Playful City USA

Mercer Island was first recognized in 2008 as a Playful City USA, a program of KaBoom!, a national non-profit that promotes local access to playgrounds to ensure every kid has a great place to play. The Playful City USA program is sponsored by the Humana Foundation. It is a national recognition program honoring cities and towns investing in children through play.

2008 - Pioneer Park Forest Health Survey

City of Mercer Island

Following the December 2006 Hanukkah Eve storm, the Mercer Island City Council considered whether enough was being done to restore tree canopy in Pioneer Park. The council commissioned a Forest Health Survey to quantify prescribed forest health factors. The study discovered several conditions that were not being adequately addressed by the existing Forest Management Plan. The work plan that resulted changed the focus of the restoration work in Pioneer Park from a site-based approach to a systemic approach. For example, the Forest Health Survey found that canopy regeneration, invasive trees and ivy were of particular concern. New projects were designed to address these critical issues park-wide while holding the line where the site-based comprehensive restoration was already underway. The Forest Health Work Plan was appended to the Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan by the Open Space Conservancy Trust.

2008 - Mercer Island Park Bond and Park Operation and Maintenance Levy

Mercer Island voters approved a 15-year Parks Operations & Maintenance Levy for \$900,000 per year with 53.13% of the vote. The Parks Operations & Maintenance Levy replaced the previous levy which paid for operations and maintenance of Luther Burbank Park and which expired in 2009. It also funded open space and forest restoration and school related park and recreation activities. Included in the total amount were costs associated with new parks capital projects that were to be funded by a separate bond levy. The bond levy was approved by 53.86% of voters, however it required a "super majority" of 60% of the votes and therefore did not pass. On November 17, 2008, the City Council approved levying \$882,000 rather than the full amount of \$900,000, backing out \$128,000 in maintenance and operations related to the bond levy that failed and levying only \$110,000 from the 2003 Luther Burbank Park lid lift for small capital projects.

2008 - Luther Burbank Parks Shoreline Restoration Phase I

Approved by the City Council in July 2008, the first phase of shoreline restoration included adding woody debris and spawning gravel along the shoreline for bank stabilization, removing nonnative plants, planting native trees, shrubs and groundcovers, installation of a split rail fence

(between the protected shore and the trail), building rock steps that direct park patrons to small recreation beaches and construction of a new ADA accessible gravel.

2008 - Luther Burbank Park Off-Leash Area Renovation

Following input from the off leash area users, the project included non-native plant and vegetation removal, surface grading, installation of under drainage, adding sand surfacing material, wetland enhancements, minor landscaping improvements, construction of gravel and asphalt paths, installation of 4' high split rail fencing with mesh on all perimeters, installation of chain link gates at all entrances and exits and relocation of the kiosk, benches and garbage cans.

2010 - Boys and Girls Club PEAK

A new home for the Boys and Girls Club was completed on 86th Ave SE in August 2010. The new three story, 41,000 square foot facility includes sports facilities, a teen center, a tech and learning center, preschool and multipurpose rooms. In exchange for its financial contribution, the City receives six hours per week of recreational programming at the PEAK facility.

2010 - Adventure Playground

In an effort to engage more children in unstructured outdoor play, Parks and Recreation started an adventure playground in Deane's Children's Park. This program runs during the summer months, providing the materials and natural setting for children to build forts, foxholes and other creations that encourage self-expression and fantasy play in a forested setting.

2010 - Community Center at Mercer View name changed to Mercer Island Community & Event Center (MICEC)

In May of 2010, the Community Center at Mercer View (CCMV) changed its name to The Mercer Island Community & Event Center (MICEC) in an effort to build awareness with the public via a variety of online media including: website, online advertising, online directories, email marketing, print, trade shows, social media, video and more. This new name will leverage the existing brand equity of the Mercer Island name and will help position the MICEC as a premier facility.

2010 - Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan Update

MacLeod Reckord

In June 2010, MacLeod Reckord Landscape Architects, Dugan Planning Services and KPG completed a comprehensive Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan, which update the previous plan from 1996. The Plan identifies specific projects that work together to improve walking and bicycling, and encourage them as an attractive alternative form of transportation. The Plan will be used over the next 20 years to guide decisions about pedestrian and bicycle facilities. It also is an essential part of the Transportation Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

2010 - Engstrom Loop Trail, Upper Luther 84th Bypass Trail and Connector Trails, and Island Crest Park – Island Park Elementary Connector Trail

A series of new trails were completed in-house and with Mountains to Sound Greenway volunteers using King County Proposition 2 Levy funding in this first year of trail construction. These added 1.0 mile of trail to the park system.

2010 - South Mercer Playfield Improvements (Synthetic Turf, Batting Cage and Concession Stands)

In September 2009, the City and the Mercer Island School District (MISD) entered into an Interlocal Agreement for improvements, maintenance and operations of District sports fields at Island Park, Lakeridge and West Mercer Elementary Schools, as well as capital improvements to the sports fields at the South Mercer Playfield complex. The City issued Councilmanic Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,114, including bond issuance costs of \$12,092, to fund the SMP approved improvements. These bonds were approved by the City Council and issued in October 2009.

Phase I of the improvements included replacing the dirt infields with synthetic turf on Fields #1, #2, and #3 as well as two bullpen areas. Phase I was completed in March 2010. Phase II was completed in March 2011, using the remaining funds and consisted of a remodel to the existing restroom building with the inclusion of a concession function, a new batting cage and electronic scoreboard on Field 1.

2010 - Playground added to MICEC

A new playground was installed in the previously open grass area behind the Mercer Island Community and Event Center. The new structure, comprised of unique climbing pieces and cables, was installed by Parks Maintenance crews in the summer of 2010.

2011 - Mercer Island Community & Event Center Technology & Equipment Sinking Fund Established

In 2011, a facility-wide technology and equipment replacement cycle was established with contributions from the community center's annual operating budget to address the various replacement needs of this facility.

2011 - Transfer of Right-of-Way trails to Parks and Recreation

Starting in the 2011-2012 biennium, Right-of-Way trails that were previously maintained by the Maintenance Department were transferred to Parks and Recreation.

2011 - Upper Luther Ravine Trail

A new trail was completed in-house and with Mountains to Sound Greenway volunteers using King County Proposition 2 Levy funding. The trail extended into the main ravine in Upper Luther Burbank Park and featured a suspended wooden staircase to access the ravine. This added 0.2 miles of trail to the park system.

2012 - Shorewood Trail and Access Easements

Shorewood Apartments parent company granted pedestrian trail easements to allow the construction of the Gallagher Hill Trail and an extension of the Upper Luther Ravine Trail. The company also granted a public access easement across the Shorewood Apartments property to connect these trails into a regional trail system. These added 0.9 miles of trail to the park system.

2012 - Island Crest Park Synthetic Turf

The Island Crest Park Synthetic Turf project was funded in the 2012 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). It was the first regulation sized baseball synthetic turf infield on Mercer Island. The total project budget was \$328,706. The project was completed in February 2013.

2012 - Electric Car Charging Station add to MICEC

The City installed three new charging stations on the Island, one located at the MICEC, in achieving its goal of reducing carbon emissions. The charging station units are manufactured by Coulomb Technologies, a company working with the Department of Energy to build a network of "Charge Points" throughout the country. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grant funds covered the total cost of \$75,000 for the charging units, the necessary infrastructure, and installation. The locations for the stations were identified so as to compliment the regional charging network. They will benefit electric vehicle drivers in the community as well as those traveling the I-90 corridor.

2013 - Gallagher Hill Trail and Island Crest Park South Trail

Two trails were completed with King County Proposition 2 Levy funding using in-house crews and Mountains to Sound Greenway volunteers. The Gallagher Hill Trail provided a connection between Shorewood and the East Mercer commercial area. The Island Crest South Trail provided park users a bypass around the south field and access for residents of SE 60th to the ravine. These added 0.3 miles of trail to the park system.

2013 - Luther Burbank Park Playground Improvement

The Luther Burbank Park Playground project was funded in the 2013 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The final design of the new playground included public input from two community meetings as well as stakeholder participation in the design of the project. A joint partnership between the Mercer Island Preschool Association and the City contributed to the funding of this project. The project was completed in September 2013 and included a new zip line, climbing web, accessible surfacing, and new embankment slides.

2013 - Lid Park Renamed to Aubrey Davis Park

In July 2013, the Park on the Lid was renamed to Aubrey Davis Park in honor of former Mercer Island Mayor and City Councilmember Aubrey Davis. Among his many achievements, Mr. Davis served as the principal negotiator in the 1976 redesign of Interstate 90, demanding the State take into account the impact of the interstate on the Mercer Island Community.

2013 - Solar Panel Array added to Community Center

On July 23, 2013 the first City-owned solar array on the Island was activated at the Mercer Island Community and Event Center. Built with grant money from Puget Sound Energy (PSE) and citizen donations, the 22-panel installation is estimated to produce approximately 4468-kilowatt hours of electricity per year, using solar panels and electrical inverters made in Washington State.

Mercer Island's success in meeting Puget Sound Energy's Green Power Challenge, to encourage adoption of renewable energy, led to a \$30,000 challenge grant for the solar project. Area residents supportive of solar power donated an additional \$5,500 towards the project. The installation will earn credit on the Community Center's electric bill, and will generate approximately \$2,500 per year in revenue under the Washington State Production Incentive Program. This income will be invested in additional energy-efficiency measures.

2013 – Second Electric Car Charging Station add to MICEC

The City designated a second stall as a charging station to aid in further reducing carbon emissions. This stall is adjacent to the initial space installed in 2013.

2013 – New Dragon at Deane’s Children’s Park

A reinforced concrete dragon sculpture was created in 1965 at Deanes Childrens’ Park by artist, Kenton Pies. Numerous coats of paint brightened the 50-foot, six ton dragon through the decades, but weather had taken a toll on the dragon and the concrete was disintegrating. The Parks and Recreation Department contacted the artist, who was 81 years old and living in Montana, to ask about repairing the dragon. The artist built a new dragon with a welded frame and high strength concrete that will be around for many generations of island children to enjoy.



Parks & Facilities Inventory

5. Parks and Facilities Inventory

Mercer Island presently has approximately **472 acres** of park and open-space land (excluding all school district property except South Mercer Playfields). This is about 12% of the Island. Eight Island parks are over 10 acres each and three parks (Pioneer, Aubrey Davis Park and Luther Burbank) exceed 70 acres each. Island residents enjoy **21 acres of publicly owned park and open space land per 1000 residents**. This compares with neighboring jurisdictions as follows:

	Issaquah	Redmond	Bellevue	Mercer Island	Kirkland	Kent	Renton
Current Population	30,434	54,144	122,363	22,699	48,787	92,411	90,927
Park Acreage	1613	1345	2672	472	934	1434	1222
Park Acreage Per Capita	52.9	28.0	21.8	20.8	19.1	15.5	13.4

Table 1: Parks acreage per capita (x1000) by city

In addition to park lands, approximately two-thirds of the Mercer Island School District grounds are available to Island residents. Finally, an additional 40 acres of private open space tracts are available for residents of many subdivisions on the Island.

The facilities contained within these parks and open spaces determine to a large degree how well they meet the community needs. Therefore, this plan has undertaken a detailed inventory of the available park facilities, contained in Appendix 1. This inventory has provided the basis for needs assessment and capital projects planning.

Park Definitions

Park lands on Mercer Island offer a wide range of active and passive recreational opportunities. From waterfront parks to sports fields to tranquil hiking trails, the outdoor-minded Islander has plenty to choose from. Mercer Island defines “Park” as “all city parks, public squares, public drives, parkways, boulevards, golf courses, park museums, pools, bathing beaches and play and recreation grounds under the management and control of the park and recreation department”. (Ord. A-91§ 1, 1991).

A ‘Developed Park’ is a park designed and built for active and passive uses. For the most part, these parks contain turf landscapes, but they may also contain patches of forest with a developed trail system. They may contain facilities designed for a particular “active use”, such as a sports field or a swimming beach. Some active uses are organized, such as sporting events while others are spontaneous, such as picnicking or Frisbee throwing. In either case, a space is occupied for a particular use for a period of time. Passive uses are activities that are transitory and unstructured. Examples are walking, bird watching, and photography. These are typically done by individuals or small groups.

An ‘Undeveloped Park’ is a park is intended for passive use. Undeveloped parks contain native landscapes and are absent designed uses other than trails. On the whole, these parks remain forested, but may have turf areas at activity nodes. On Mercer Island, most undeveloped parks are referred to as “open space.” Some parks, such as Luther Burbank Park, contain both types of park development.

The classifications below are derived from the Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines published by the National Recreation and Park Association in 1996. These national definitions have been modified to fit Mercer Island.

Mini-Park

A mini-park is a small (generally less than 2 acres) passive-use or natural-area park serving a limited radius (1/4 mile). A mini-park may contain passive facilities such as picnic tables, trails, children's play structure, benches, etc. A mini-park is distinguished from a neighborhood park by lesser intensity of use and generally smaller size.

Neighborhood Park

A neighborhood park is generally between two and five acres in size, and may contain limited active-use areas or more prominent natural areas than a mini-park. The area served by a neighborhood park is up to 1/2 mile radius. Examples of the types of facilities found at a neighborhood park include: picnic tables, barbecue area, trails, children's play structure, benches, hard-surfaced areas for basketball and other court games, informal play fields and tennis courts. Swimming, fishing and restrooms may also be available. A neighborhood park may be located adjacent to a school. Except for waterfront parks, parking areas are generally not required nor provided.

Community Parks

A community park is generally larger than five acres and provides larger diverse recreation areas for population within a two-mile radius. Facilities may include: picnic tables, barbecue area (possibly covered), trails, children's play structure, benches, hard-surfaced areas for basketball and other court games, sports fields (possibly lighted), tennis courts (possibly lighted), and community facilities such as kiosks and plazas. Swimming, fishing and restrooms may also be available. Parking areas are generally provided.

Regional Parks

A regional park is similar in character to a community park. However, due to its location and generally good regional accessibility, this type of park attracts a regional population. Facilities are the same as a community park, and may also include a dock for day moorage.

Open Space

Open space areas are lands in various acreages, under public ownership set aside for preservation of significant natural resources, open space and visual aesthetics/buffering. Areas may include undeveloped park sites. These lands consist of individual sites exhibiting natural resources and lands that offer natural resource conservation potential. Examples include parcels with steep slopes and natural vegetation, drainage basins and ravines, surface water detention areas, easements, wetlands, shorelines and other critical areas. Development is typically limited to trail and interpretive opportunities.

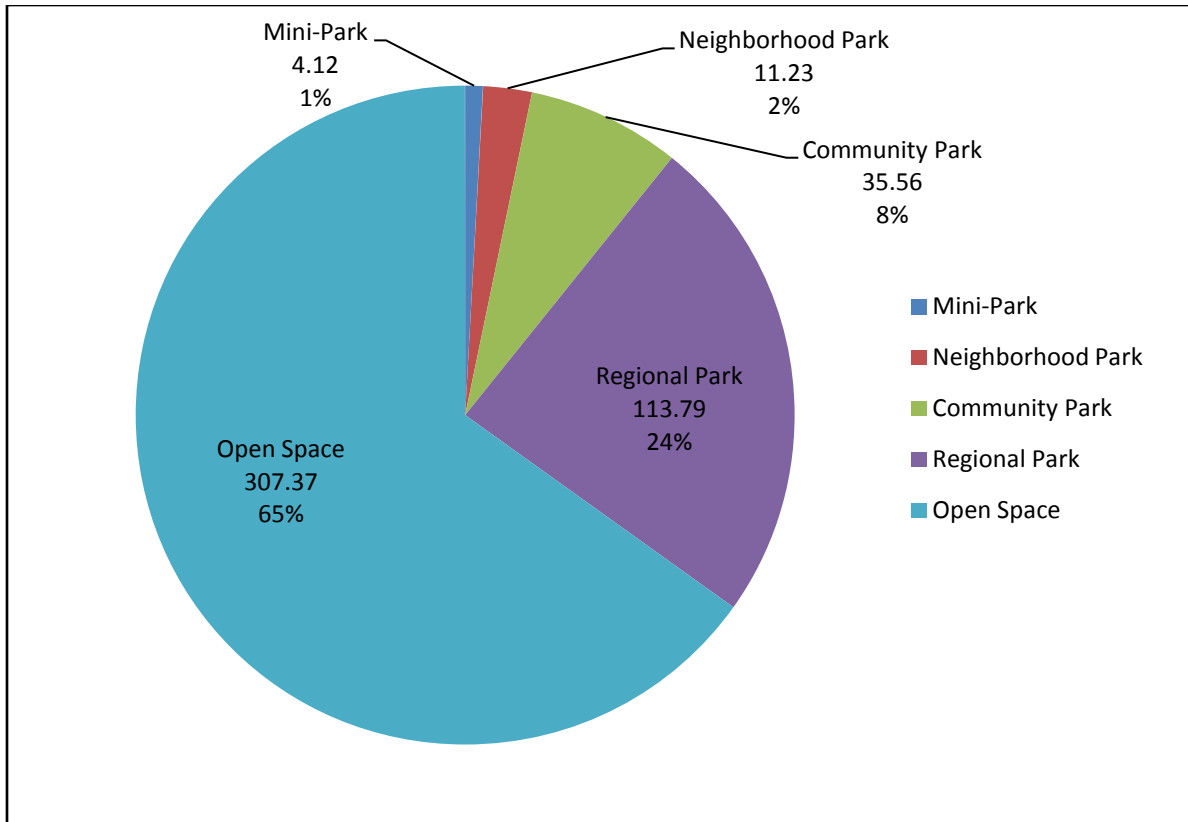


Figure 6: Park acreage by classification. Acreage is calculated by adding park parcels and adjacent right of way to the road pavement edge.

Legend

Landing

Parks & Open Spaces

Open Space Classification:

- Mini
- Multiple
- Neighborhood
- Open Space
- Regional

Multiple Classifications:

Community & Open Space:
 Clarke Beach Park
 Groveland Park
 Homestead Park
 Mercerdale Park
 S Mercer Playfield

Open Space & Regional:
 Luther Burbank

Community, Open Space & Neighborhood:
 Luther Burbank



Mercer Island Parks Classification Map



**CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
 PARKS & RECREATION**

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Park/Open Space/Street End	Acres	Mini	Neighborhood	Community	Regional	Open Space
72nd Ave SE Landing	0.17	0.17				
74th Ave SE Landing	0.05	0.05				
77th Ave SE Landing	0.29	0.29				
Aubrey Davis Park	86.5				86.5	
Bicentennial Park	0.10	0.10				
Calkins Landing	0.31	0.31				
Clarke Beach Park	9.05			1.39		7.66
Clise Park	1.72					1.72
Ellis Pond	4.04					4.04
Engstrom Open Space	8.50					8.50
First Hill Park	0.83		0.83			
Forest Landing	0.03	0.03				
Franklin Landing	0.03	0.03				
Freeman Landing	0.21	0.21				
Fruitland Landing	0.15	0.15				
Gallagher Hill	11.34					11.34
Garfield Landing	0.34	0.34				
Groveland Park	3.07			0.47		2.6
Hollerbach OS	5.18					5.18
Homestead Park	11.09			7.41		3.68
Island Crest Park	38.91		3	4.71		31.2
Lincoln Landing	0.23	0.23				
Luther Burbank	54.52				27.29	27.23
Mercerdale Hillside Park	18.59					18.59
Mercerdale Park	12.17			5.66		6.51
Miller Landing	0.30	0.30				
N Mercerdale Hillside	6.20					6.20
Parkwood Ridge OS	3.80					3.80
Pioneer Park	118.85					118.85
Proctor Landing	0.30	0.30				
Roanoke Landing	0.18	0.18				
Roanoke Park	1.46		1.46			
Rotary Park	4.83	4.83	4.83			
Salem Woods	0.35					0.35
SE 20th St Landing	0.14	0.14				
SE 36th St Landing	0.10	0.10				
SE 40th St Landing	0.03	0.03				
SE 45th St Landing	0.09	0.09				
SE 47th St OS	1.53					1.53
SE 53rd Pl OS	26.16					26.16
SE 56th Street Landing	0.21	0.21				
SE 72nd St Landing	0.12	0.12				
Seashore Drive Landing	0.04	0.04				
Secret Park	0.86					0.86
Slater Park	0.68	0.68				
South Mercer Playfield	17.31			15.93		1.38
South Point	0.03	0.03				
Wildwood Park	3.02		1.10			1.92
Upper Luther Burbank	18.07					18.07
TOTAL ACREAGE	472.08	8.954.12	6.4011.23	35.56	113.79	307.37

Table 2: Parks and Open Space acreage by site.

Mini Parks (Total Acres= 8.954.12 acres)

Bicentennial Park (3201 77th Ave. SE)

Bicentennial Park is a small .10 acre plaza style mini-park. A large flagpole greets visitors in the center plaza area. A public restroom facility is also provided adjacent to the Recycling Center. Trails lead from the park to Mercerdale Hillside area to the west and Mercerdale Park to the south.

In 2004, a minor park improvement project was implemented to address uneven walkway surfaces and bulging brick pavers. It included the removal of these paving bricks and 3 trees. The subsurface area was regarded to slope to the northwest corner of the plaza and crushed rock was added in preparation for new paving brick "bands" that were installed around the inside perimeter of the plaza. A new 4" concrete slab was poured that was separated by brick pavers. A new catch basin in the northwest corner of the plaza was added to tie into storm a storm drain system that already existed in the northeast corner of the park. The prior designed and installed wall, steps, flagpole and drinking fountain remained.

~~Rotary Park (SE 44th St. & 88th Ave. SE)~~

~~Rotary Park, part of the City's reservoir area, began in 1970 as a project of the Mercer Island Rotary Club, and has evolved over time into a well-used mini park. Across from the City's library, this 4.83 acre park has a landscaped area, sitting area and trails. In recent years, the poplar trees have been dying, and the center plaza has become cracked and worn. In 2005, Mercer Island City Council decided to invest carryover funds from 2004 in park and open space areas. Rotary Park's landscape was selected as one of these projects.~~

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Slater Park (2835 60th Ave. SE)

In 1985 this 0.68 acre waterfront park was willed to the City after the passing of Loretta and Harry Slater. Developed in 1990 as a passive park with viewing and sitting areas. Total linear lake frontage is 100 feet. The park has become popular with local residents and has been used for some outdoor weddings. It continues to remain a popular viewing spot for the annual SeaFair event on Lake Washington.

Street Ends

The City has a number of streets which end at Lake Washington, providing opportunities for waterfront access. Twenty-one (21) "street ends" exist totaling 3.34 acres of land, and 1,140 feet of water frontage. Although these street ends are not technically "parks", they fit the "mini-park" classification.

Improvements to 10 Street Ends, including legal actions by the City to gain access to SE 30th, strongly support public access to the waters of Lake Washington and should occur whenever possible. Public policy encourages waterfront access as one of the highest priorities as set forth in the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) and the Mercer Island Shoreline Master Program.

While public access to all the Island waterfront street ends is a highly desirable goal, in many cases it is extremely difficult to access the water via public property. Each street end has unique and varying characteristics and therefore future improvements and use needs to be compatible with the site and location. Improvements will occur on a site by site basis, tied to public demand. The major developed street ends listed below have designated uses such as swimming/ wading, viewing and picnic areas.

Developed Street Ends	
Calkins Landing (SE 28th St. & 60th Av. SE)	Lincoln Landing (76th Av. SE & SE 22nd St.)
Forest Landing (SE 43 rd St. & Forest Ave. SE)	Millers' Landing (Forest Av. SE & SE 48th St.)
Franklin Landing (78th Av. SE & SE 42nd St.)	Proctor Landing (SE 32nd St. & 60th Av. SE)
Fruitland Landing (97th Av. SE & SE 34th St)	Roanoke Landing (WMW & Roanoke Way)
Garfield Landing (SE 30th St. & 60th Av. SE)	77 th Ave. SE Landing (7670 SE 22 nd Street)
Undeveloped Street Ends	
Freeman Landing (SE 40 th Street)	SE 56 th St. Landing (5495 W. Mercer Way)
Seashore Ave./Drive (Off W. Mercer Way)	SE 72 nd St. Landing (9603 SE 72 nd Pl.)
SE 20 th Street (Faben Point)	South Point (8790 85 th Ave. SE)
SE 36 th Street Landing	72nd Ave. SE Landing (1605 72 nd Ave. SE)
SE 40 th Street Landing	74 th Ave. SE
SE 45 th Street (Off Forest Ave.)	

Street End History

The City of Mercer Island has 21 dedicated right-of-ways around the Island that end at the shoreline of Lake Washington. Below is a brief history of street end developments:

1966 - Park & Open Space Plan

Identified 19 Street Ends that provided opportunity for potential recreational use which, listed 74th Ave. SE as "good."

1970 - Street End Descriptive Report

Park Board envisioned Street End development as a means to provide waterfront access particularly in the East Seattle area. The Street Ends were researched by the (then) City Attorney as to legal status of the street and shorelines. Staff prepared this report.

1971 - Improvements

Park Board began a program to make improvements at Street Ends where there was neighborhood interest in working on the development of these waterfront facilities. Planning and improvements were done at 6 Street Ends; 97th SE, 76th SE, SE 28th, SE 32nd, 78th SE, South Forest Ave. All these improvements were made as a result of neighborhood involvement, which included adjacent property owners.

1972 - Interim Project Report on Street Ends

Park Board adopted the report, which included "CRUST" policy setting forth procedures for development of future waterfront Street Ends.

1973 to 1983 – SE 30th Public Access, Street End Improvements, SE 20th Added

Court ruled in favor of the City and granted public access to SE 30th Street End.

Improvements and access to 72nd SE, North Forest Ave. and Benotho Place Street Ends were made as a result of adjacent neighbors' requests.

SE 20th Street End was discovered during a sub-division plat process, to bring the waterfront street end total to 20.

1983 - Park Bond Passed (included funds for Street Ends)

Provide public access to some of the remaining undeveloped Street Ends; improvements to include benches, signs and picnic tables.

1987 - Shoreline Management Master Program

20 waterfront street ends around the Island were designated as "Urban Parks".

1991 - Mercer Island Comprehensive Park, Recreation, Open Space, Arts & Trail Plan

Future development of and public access to the remaining street ends is proposed where appropriate. Improvements will occur on a site by site basis, tied to public demand.

1992 - Park & Community Activities Board

Past improvement process policies regarding Street Ends were reviewed and confirmed relevant to current Park & Recreation standards and planning documents.

2000 - Proctor Landing Improvements

As a result of impacts associated with adjacent private property development, the City partnered with the neighbor to re-design the entrance and parking lot to Proctor Landing, including tree removal, new irrigated planter beds and new striped parking stalls.

2003 - Fruitland Landing, Franklin Landing and 77th Ave SE Street End Improvements

Over the course of several years of neighborhood discussions, the City pursued a series of street end improvements at Fruitland and Franklin Landings and the 77th Avenue SE street end. The primary focus of the Landings projects were to stabilize the shoreline from further erosion and improve public access to Lake Washington. Existing bulkheads were replaced with tiered boulder bulkheads, new park benches placed, new stone walkways and steps installed, beach areas created and native plantings installed.

A 1999 plan that was created with the neighborhood was implemented at 77th Avenue SE which provided improved access to the edge of Lake Washington with new walkway and steps. A new park bench, sign and bollards were installed as well as native plantings. The lower lawn area was re-seeded.

Neighborhood Parks (Total Acres= ~~6.40~~11.23 acres)**Deanes Children's Park (5500 Island Crest Way)**

Deane's Park, initially developed in 1962 by the Mercer Island Preschool Association (MIPA), is a 3.0 acre park better known as 'Dragon Park' because of the large plaster dragon located there. The Park was renamed in honor of Philip and Lola Deane who were active in the park's development and other youth and civic activities. This popular wooded park has play toys, picnic shelter, trails and restrooms. A renovation in 2005 by the City and MIPA and funded by community donations and grants resulted in a new climbing rock, swings, pathways, castle play

structure and benches. The dragon was replaced with a new dragon, designed and installed by the original artist, in August 2013.

First Hill Park (SE 32nd St. & 72nd Av. SE)

A .83 acre neighborhood park with a basketball court, children's play structure and a natural area. In 1973, the City purchased the first three parcels and the last parcel in 1975. There is no further development or expansion planned, other than normal replacement and maintenance. This park has heavy neighborhood use. The playground was replaced in 2007, following significant damage from the Hanukah Eve storm in December 2006.

Roanoke Park (North Mercer Way & 70th Ave. SE)

A 1.46 acre park with a tennis court, picnic area and children's play structure. Future expansion or further development is not planned, other than normal maintenance and replacement. As the only City-owned developed neighborhood park north of 1-90, this park is well-utilized by the adjacent neighborhood.

Rotary Park (SE 44th St. & 88th Ave. SE)

Rotary Park, part of the City's reservoir area, began in 1970 as a project of the Mercer Island Rotary Club, and has evolved over time into a well-used mini-park. Across from the City's library, this 4.83 acre park has a landscaped area, sitting area and trails. In recent years, the poplar trees have been dying, and the center plaza has become cracked and worn. In 2005, Mercer Island City Council decided to invest carryover funds from 2004 in park and open space areas. Rotary Park's landscape was selected as one of these projects.

After an open house to solicit input on the renovation work was conducted, two concept plans were circulated to the public based on input received at the public meeting. A final plan that achieves a mixture of both outcomes was developed that included planting oaks as replacements for the poplar trees. The Rotary Club of Mercer Island and public feedback strongly favored planting oaks as replacements for the poplar trees. The redesign of the park was completed in the spring of 2007.

Wildwood Park (7400 86th Av. SE)

A 3.02 acre area of lawn, picnic tables and trail. This site was Quit-Claimed to the City by Quadrant Corporation in 1970 as a park and reservoir site. It remains a potentially viable water supply/storage site to meet the City's current and future water needs. Formerly known as "Tract A", Wildwood Park is well used by the neighborhood with regular neighborhood work parties conducting invasive plant removal and planting activities which are expected to continue in the future.

Community Parks (Total Acres= 35.56 acres)

Clarke Beach (7700 East Mercer Way)

This 9.05 acre site (1.39 acre community park) provides Lake Washington access for many Islanders. A 300 linear foot swimming beach, picnic area with barbecues, seasonal restrooms, play area, and a fishing pier are provided. Total linear lake frontage is 900 feet. The first portion of the park was purchased in 1968 and the last section in 1969. The major development of the park was done in 1972. Acquisition and development of the park received I.A.C. funding.

Groveland Beach (SE 58th St. & 80th Ave. SE)

A 3.07 acre Lake Washington recreation area (.47 acre community park), with a 250 linear foot swimming beach, sand volleyball court, picnic/barbecue area, children's play structure, fishing pier and seasonal restrooms. Total lake frontage is 350 feet. In 2003, a sand volleyball court and an inflatable toy were the most recent additions to the park. There are plans to add a lifeguard facility, bank stabilization work and dock repairs.

Homestead Field (SE 40th St. & 82nd Av. SE)

Two softball fields (also used for soccer), four tennis courts, basketball court, children's play structure, restrooms and nature area cover this 11.09 acre active area (7.41 acre community park). The City purchased land for this park from 1963 to 1972. I.A.C. funding was used for development and acquisition of this park. In 2002, the park turf area was renovated with new drainage and irrigations systems. City Council adopted a new Master Plan for the park that will direct future development and improvements, including the replacement of the playground which was completed in 2012 as part of the City's CIP.

Island Crest Park (5500 Island Crest Way)

This park is 38.91 acres (of which, approximately 3 acres composes the community park-Deane's Children's Park, 4.71 acres of developed community park facilities and 31.2 acres of open space). The developed area includes two lighted official-sized baseball fields (which could also be used as softball & Little League fields, or as a single soccer and football field); two lighted tennis courts, restrooms, picnic, barbecue area, , nature area and trails. This park provides the only official baseball fields in the City, and is heavily used throughout the year. The facility was totally redeveloped in 1985 using 1983 bond funds followed by a complete turf renovation and new drainage system installation in 2001. The North baseball field was converted to synthetic turf in 2012, providing the first all-weather regulation baseball field on the island. The project was completed through private donations from the Friends of Island Crest Park, the Mercer Island School District, and the City's CIP.

Mercerdale Park (SE 32nd St. & 78th Ave. SE)

This 12.17 acre park along the south edge of the Town Center has both passive (6.51 acres of open space) and active (5.66 acres of community park) areas. These 12.17 original acres of the park were purchased from the Mercer Island School District in 1987. The park has a plaza area in the northeast corner with park benches, picnic tables and pergola honoring veterans. This park has many casual users and also has many community events held on the plaza. The Mercerdale Park Master Plan was developed in 1989 and revised in 2000 ("Plan 2000"). A skate park was installed on the east side of the park just south of the nature garden in 1992. A major expansion of the skate park and the addition of a children's play area was completed in 2002. The Mercer Island Preschool Association (MIPA) partnered with the City in fundraising for the new children's park, now known as "Train Park". Two public art pieces are located along the south end of the park. The Recycling Center and restrooms on the northwest corner are adjacent to Bicentennial Park. Recent additions to the park have expanded the natural forested area on the west side with winding pathways.

Regional Parks (Total Acres= 113.79 acres)**Boat Launch**

Located along Lake Washington on 2.5 acres under the I-90 East Channel Bridge, the Island's only public boat launch along 14 miles of shoreline, has one dock (with attached dock for Marine Patrol boat), one ramp, 57 parking stalls and portable restrooms. Anticipated future

improvements include expanding the launch/retrieval lanes, relocating the single float to the center of the lanes and constructing a restroom/storage facility. In 2011, the boat launch docks were updated with new fish friendly flow-through decking, pontoon floats, self-rescue ladders, and bumpers.

Luther Burbank Park (SE 24th St. & 84th Ave. SE)

Luther Burbank Park is a 73 acre multi-use facility (27.29 acres of active regional park; 27.23 acres of open space in main portion of park; 18.07 acres of open space in Upper Luther Burbank) offering many types of recreation opportunities. Swimming, boating and fishing are often seen along the nearly 4,000' of shoreline. Picnic areas, boat dock, a children's play structure, off-leash dog area, 3 tennis courts, a natural area, wetlands and trails are all part of this regional facility. About 18 acres of this park are located south of I-90, connected by a landscaped 'lid' over the freeway. The "Administration Building", located in the central part of the park, is the headquarters for the City's Parks and Recreation and Youth and Family Services Departments.

Aubrey Davis Park (Formerly the Park on the Lid)

This 84 acre regional park (56 acres of West Lid; 28 acres of corridor) over I-90 contains two children's play areas, four tennis courts; 1 multipurpose field (equivalent to 1 soccer or 2 softball/Little League fields); basketball court; restrooms; picnic shelter, storage and two "open" fields. Future plans call for a restroom at the far west end area where community events and active sports are held. The total expanse of the park is located along the north side of I-90 Freeway with a multi-purpose pedestrian/bicycle regional trail connecting the East Channel and Floating bridges. Spur connections across the lids and overpasses tie together both sides of the 8-lane freeway. In total, there is 8 miles of trails in the corridor. Both sides of I-90 and portions of the lids and overpasses are heavily landscaped and used as park lands.

Public Open Space (Total Acres= 307.37 acres)

Mercer Island enjoys a strong tradition of preserving its lands. As early as 1960, the City adopted planning policies to "conserve and restore natural beauty". Since that time, the City has actively secured its undeveloped areas for parkland and open space preservation. As a result, Island residents enjoy numerous publicly owned park and open space lands that, beyond providing a wealth of active and passive recreational opportunities, defines the community's natural character. Approximately 311 acres or 64% of all park and recreation acreage is classified as open space.

The Island's environment is also enhanced by the approximately 200 acres of additional privately held undeveloped parcels. Many of these undeveloped lands are located on steep slopes, deep and narrow ravines and small watercourses. These parcels serve a number of important community functions including preserving areas of the natural landscape, providing natural buffers between lands of different intensity or use, mitigating impacts of noise and air pollution and providing natural drainage and slope stability. As the Island reaches "build out", its remaining undeveloped parcels are subject to ever increasing pressure for development.

Acquisition Guidelines

The City is committed to preserving open space by implementing policies and regulatory tools such as zoning codes, critical areas ordinance and tree preservation policies. At the same time, the City recognizes that public acquisition may provide the only opportunity to preserve these parcels. Since it is impractical for the City to purchase every potential developable parcel, the

City initiated a planning process to focus public acquisition efforts. This process involved the identification of general guiding principles and priorities for preservation and acquisition, as well as the development of selection criteria for evaluating acquisition opportunities (*See Appendix 13.1- Park and Open Space Evaluation and Acquisition Procedure*).

The primary goal of evaluation and acquisition procedures is to provide guidance on the preservation of the Island's remaining undeveloped private parcels and to develop criteria to determine when public acquisition provides the best preservation option. It is intended to establish general procedures for parks and open space preservation and priorities for acquisition; it is not intended to preclude the preservation of any additional open space that the City may determine to be in the public interest.

The community's desire to maintain large tracts of vacant land as open space has been shown by purchases of land along Gallagher Hill Road, adjacent to the Mercerdale Hillside, along SE 53rd Place and adjacent to Pioneer Park.

A national survey of research on property values in proximity to parks and open space reveals that there is anywhere from a zero to fifteen percent increase in property value in proximity to urban "greenways" (equivalent to open space) over property without this characteristic based on geographic information system (GIS) analysis.² Added value extended to properties as much as 1500 to 2600 feet from the greenways, with adjacent properties receiving the greatest added value. The more valuable greenways were accessible (by trail) and had mature trees, while the least valuable were inaccessible and covered in dense scrub vegetation. This observation provides evidence to assertions that forest vegetation in open space property has a positive influence on its public value.

² *Nicholls, Sarah. 2004. Measuring the Impact of Parks on Property Values. Parks and Recreation. 39:3, pp. 24-32.*

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Groveland Park	Park/OS	3.07	2.60
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Homestead Park	Park/OS	11.09	3.68
Island Crest Park	Park/OS	38.91	31.20
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Mercerdale Park	Park/OS	12.17	6.51
N Mercerdale Hillside	Open Space	6.20	6.20
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Pioneer Park	Open Space	118.85	118.85
Salem Woods	Open Space	0.35	0.35
SE 47th St OS	Open Space	1.53	1.53
SE 53rd Pl OS	Open Space	26.16	26.16
Secret Park	Park/OS	0.86	0.86
South Mercer Playfield	School/Park/OS	17.31	1.38
Wildwood Park	Park/OS	3.02	1.92
Upper Luther Burbank	Open Space	18.07	18.07
TOTAL ACREAGE		378.25	307.37

Table 3: Open Space Areas

Several of the open space areas are highlighted below as well as a complete table of areas on the following page:

Clise Park (SE 40th Street & Island Crest Way)

Clise Park is a 1.72 acre open space area heavily forested and located at the intersection of two of Mercer Island's busier streets. In City ownership since 1977, Clise Park contains a short wooded trail, and is a very visible reminder of the natural character of Mercer Island. The park was donated to the City, and is used as open space and trail access at the major roadway intersection of Island Crest Way and SE 40th St. In 2004, a wireless communication facility (WCF) was installed in adjacent right of way to the park. In 2005, the Ivy Brigade adopted the park and removed invasive plants from the entire park and planted native shrubs and trees in their place.

Ellis Pond (SE 47th St. & 90th Ave. SE)

This pond is the only natural spring fed pond on Mercer Island. There are 4.04 open space acres including a nature marsh area and trails. The 208' long elevated wooden boardwalk was replaced in 2005 by Park Maintenance staff. Volunteers from the surrounding neighborhood have supported habitat restoration activities in the park, including an annual work party in spring each year. A King Conservation District habitat plan has assisted these efforts.

Pioneer Park (SE 68th St. & Island Crest Way)

Walking, hiking and bridle trails are located throughout much of this 118.85 acre open space area. This is the largest undeveloped park on Mercer Island. The Pioneer Park Master Plan (2001) has guided trail, furnishing, amenities and parking improvements. A Forest Management Plan was adopted in 2003 providing guidance on vegetation and forestry improvements. With the 2002 addition of 1.57 acres (see below) adjacent to Pioneer Park and the securing of a pedestrian path easement along an existing sewer easement a bridge was installed over a stream and wooded ravine. Both acquisitions connect to the northeast corner of Pioneer Park. An additional 7 acres of adjacent open space was acquired by the City in late 2006 (see below).

Engstrom Open Space (6500 East Mercer Way)

Margaret and Kenneth Quarles, 6610 East Mercer Way, transferred nearly 7 acres of rare open space property to the City of Mercer Island for \$300,000 in December 2006. The three properties, totaling 6.93 acres are located immediately west of East Mercer Way and abut the northeast quadrant of Pioneer Park. The acquisition was made possible from a fund balance in the City's 2005-06 Capital Improvement Plan. The property, permanently dedicated for park and recreation purposes, will be managed as open space by the City's Parks and Recreation Department.

A prior transfer in 2002 of 1.57 acres was secured for \$200,000. This acquisition was financed equally from a combination of City Capital Improvement Plan funds dedicated for open space acquisition and King County Conservation Futures. Conservation Futures Tax (CFT) levy funds are collected from property taxes levied throughout King County and its cities for the purchase of open space lands. This addition, in conjunction with a pedestrian trail easement on an adjacent property, allowed a trail and bridge connection from Pioneer Park to East Mercer Way in 2003. The latest acquisition is just south of the initial property transfer and expands upon the ravine habitat and recreation potential- providing more opportunities to appreciate second growth forest, perched wetlands and eagle perch area.

Secret Park (SE 27th St. & West Mercer Way)

This is a .86 acre park with picnic area and children's play structure (located in a natural setting). Playground improvements were completed in 2007 following extensive damage to the structure in the 2006 Hanukah Eve storm. This open space area is adjacent to the Boys & Girls Club East Seattle site.

SE 53rd Street Open Space

The 26.16 acre property was acquired by the City in 1991 with funding from the 1989 King County Open Space Bond Issue, King County Conservation Futures program, City funds and a Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program grant from the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation. In 2005, the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust partnered with the City to design and construct a 3 foot gravel trail to enhance pedestrian connections between Island Crest Way and East Mercer Way, provide community access to the scenic and natural qualities of the parcel, construct the trail with community participation and leverage city resources with volunteers, donations and other Greenway resources. Additional trail connections and vegetation improvements within the open space area are planned in the future.

Mercerdale Hillside (including the undeveloped portion of Mercerdale Park)

These 25.10 (or 18.59 without the park portion) acres of open space are situated directly above Mercerdale Park and provide trail connections between the Town Center and surrounding

neighborhoods. Much of the hillside was acquired through a 1979 bond issue. Trails were completed in 1981.

North Mercerdale Hillside

The North Mercerdale Hillside includes 6.20 acres of open space and features trail connections.

Facilities

Park and Trail Facilities

A comprehensive parks facilities inventory was developed by the City of Mercer Island and R. W. Droll Landscape Architects. This facilities inventory looked at all major constructed features in parks, including ballfields, play courts, playgrounds, restrooms, parking lots and shelters. This inventory also included built features on trails, including pavement and stairways. The list of facilities is found in Appendix 1. The facilities inventory enables the City of Mercer Island to look objectively at recreation opportunities and compare with them with other jurisdictions to evaluate service levels. The inventory also enables the City to develop repair and replacement schedules for these facilities. That has informed the list of proposed projects found in Section 10.

Mercer Island Community & Event Center (8236 SE 24th St.)

In 2003, the City issued \$2.29 million in Councilmanic bonds to acquire the property that the Mercer Island Community and Event Center was sited on. In 2004, after a year of study and design, the Council initially authorized the construction of a new \$13.1 million (upon bid opening revised to \$12.4 million) community center which was completed in the fall of 2005. This approximately 42,000 SF building opened on December 10, 2005.

The new facility is a modern facility, designed by the architectural firm of Miller & Hull Partnership, with its clean, geometric lines and an exterior facade of brick, steel, glass and metal siding. The Mercer Island Community and Event Center features a 4,000 square foot lobby that contains a rotating art gallery exhibit. The main level offers five program rooms and a 3,300 square foot multi-purpose room (sub-dividable in to 3 smaller rooms); a 520 square foot Catering Kitchen; as well as a library and lounge area. Visitors can play pool and watch TV in the Game Room and enjoy the double-sided fireplace in the Landing area. Adjacent to the Landing, the 1,000 square foot Terrace features a covered outdoor patio with views of Lake Washington and the Cascade Mountain Range.

In the lower level is a 10,500 square foot gymnasium with neighboring locker/changing area and shower facilities. There is a 1450 square foot Dance Room with a wood “spring” dance floor, mirrored walls, and ballet bars. Patrons can also utilize the 1450 square foot Fitness Room. Adjacent to the new center is the North Annex, the only remaining building from the former elementary school that was repaired and renovated at the same time the new facility was built. This facility provides three leased daycare spaces, as well as a 1,000 square foot meeting or program room.

Mercer Island School Lands

The Mercer Island School District (MISD) owns 108.6 acres of land, some of which is used for park, recreation or open space purposes. These facilities serve to define neighborhoods and provide convenient play areas for children and adults. [City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation coordinates scheduling of MISD fields, primarily the elementary fields and the high](#)

school stadium field for the benefit of the community. Both the City and MISD share data using CLASS software for scheduling purposes.

The following is an inventory of recreational facilities at each MISD-owned property and other educational properties on the Island. The acreages listed below are site acreages, which include open space, recreational areas and buildings. Other private schools located on Mercer Island are listed as well.

Mercer Island High School/North Mercer Campus/Crest Learning Center/Admin. & Maintenance Facilities.

9100 SE 42nd St. (45.4 acres)

High School recreational facilities include: auditorium, 2 gymnasiums, athletic field for football or soccer, stadium complex with a field for football or soccer and two standard running tracks.. North of the stadium are 6 tennis courts and the Mary Wayte Pool (an indoor swimming pool). The North Mercer Campus is presently being used by Youth Theatre Northwest , a private school and a preschool. The facility is used on a limited basis by City Parks and Recreation programs. One gymnasium, two small theatres and a children's play area are provided for the North Mercer Facility. The Mary Wayte Pool is also located at this site and resides on School District property. In 2002, the pool operation was transferred from King County, its pool owner, to Northwest Center, a non-profit organization.

Islander Middle School/South Mercer Playfields

8225 SE 72nd St. (28 acres)

Recreational facilities include: a multi-purpose field adjacent to the school, known as South Mercer Playfields, and two gymnasiums. A Joint Use Agreement, (1985) provides for the City to construct, operate, and maintain the multi-purpose fields that include four little league or softball fields, or five soccer fields; one all-weather lighted soccer field and restroom facilities. The multi-purpose field is an official-sized baseball field. The School District is responsible for a standard running track.

West Mercer Elementary School

4141 82nd Av. SE (8 acres)

Recreational facilities include: small multi-purpose field (T-ball/soccer), outdoor basketball court, children's play equipment and a multi-purpose room including basketball court.

Island Park Elementary School

5437 Island Crest Way

9.2 acres adjacent to Island Crest Park. Recreational facilities include: a covered "play shed" including basketball court, children's play area, multi- purpose room, soccer/T-ball field and three informal playfields.

Lakeridge Elementary School

8215 SE 78th Street

18 acres adjacent to South Mercer Playfields. Recreational facilities include: a covered "play shed" including basketball court, multi-purpose room including basketball court, playfield and children's play area.

French American School of Puget Sound

3795 E. Mercer Way

A private school of 210 students for grades Preschool – 5th grade. The school has been operating on Mercer Island since 1998.

Northwest Yeshiva High School

5017 90th Ave. SE

A private high school of 120 students. The school is located in a renovated church building and has been operating on Mercer Island since 1994.

St. Monica School

4320 87th Ave. SE

Since 1960 this private school of 250 students has offered an education for Kindergarten through Grade Eight. The school operates on 7.8 acres of land just south of the Mercer Island High School.

Public/Private Recreational Facilities

Mercer Island is fortunate to have a number of semi-public clubs and recreational facilities that can be enjoyed by residents and non-residents. Although these are not publicly owned, their existence and use by many Islanders increases the amount and quality of recreation on Mercer Island:

Former Boys and Girls Club

2825 63rd Av. SE (2.9 acres)

Located at the former East Seattle School site since 1980. In 2001 the Club proposed to the City a plan to jointly finance a remodel of the Club facilities. In 2003 a Shared Use Agreement with the Club was approved. The Agreement allowed the City to have exclusive use of the gym for a minimum of 2,746 hours in exchange for \$1,000,000 in support of the new construction. The property was sold to a private individual in 2008 and continues to be used for some Boys and Girls Club limited programming.

Mercer Island Boys and Girls Club (PEAK)

4030 86th Ave SE

For its 1,000 members, this facility offers classes, meeting space, a gymnasium, games room, theater and preschool. In 2001 the Club proposed to the City a plan to jointly finance a remodel of the Club facilities. In 2009, a Shared Use Agreement with the Club was approved. The Agreement allowed the City to have 6 hours of recreation programming per week and other considerations in exchange for \$1,000,000 in support of the new construction.

Stroum Jewish Community Center

3801 East Mercer Way (7.8 acres)

The SJCC is open to all members of the community for meeting, cultural, and recreational activities. The approximately 90,000 square foot building houses classrooms, meeting rooms, a preschool wing, game room, auditorium, two gymnasiums, Olympic-sized indoor swimming pool, locker rooms and health clubs, and racquetball courts. The SJCC presently has 1,300 memberships (individual, corporate and family), which translates to a total of 5,000 members.

Mercer Island Beach Club***8326 Avalon Drive (6.2 acres)***

The Mercer Island Beach Club is located along Lake Washington, giving its 500 member families boating and swimming access. Six outdoor tennis courts are also available.

Mercer Island Country Club***8700 SE 71st St. (6.9 acres)***

The 600 member families enjoy use of 15 tennis courts (8 outdoor and 7 indoor), a year-round swimming pool, Nautilus facility and sauna.

Mercerwood Shore Club***4150 East Mercer Way (6.7 acres)***

This club offers four outdoor tennis courts, an Olympic-sized outdoor swimming pool, picnic/barbecue areas; clubhouse, TV, exercise and tanning rooms; a snack bar, swimming beach, volleyball nets, boat launch and moorage for its 272 member families to enjoy.

Mercer Island Saddle Club***8635 SE 68th St. (4.4 acres)***

The Sunnybeam School site hosts a daycare, dance conservatory, Pioneer Park Youth Club and Mercer Island Saddle Club. The site has 20 horses, stables and indoor and outdoor arenas. The Sunnybeam School building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Pedestrian, Bicycle, Equestrian and Water Trails

Trails play an important role on Mercer Island. Twenty nine miles of parks and open space trails connect with 35 miles of sidewalks and walkways to provide pedestrians, bicyclists, equestrians and other non-motorized users shorter and safer connections between various neighborhoods, businesses, schools, parks and other destinations. The trails also serve as recreational facilities themselves, providing a local means of exercise and leisure for residents. According to the 2013 [State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan](#) (SCORP), walking is the most popular category of outdoor recreation among the state's citizens. It is likely that this is also true for Mercer Island residents.

Right-of-Way Trails

In 2011, Mercer Island Parks and Recreation accepted the City's Right-of-Way trails into the park system for ongoing management. These trails provide neighborhood connections throughout the city. Many of the trails were developed in the 1970's and 1980's. These trails typically follow platted rights-of-way, and therefore often ascend steep slopes or other difficult terrain. For this reason, the trails contain stairs, boardwalks and bridges that were made from treated wood. According to the facilities inventory that was conducted for this plan, these facilities are reaching the end of their lifespan. In the next six years, there will likely be \$72,000 of predicted repair and replacement. In the following fifteen years, the replacement need increases and the cost of repair and replacement in 2013 dollars is predicted to be \$325,000.

Water Trails

The Lakes to Lock Water Trail provides a blue trail for non-motorized boaters that connect inland lakes, rivers and waterways with the shores of Elliott Bay and Puget Sound. With more than 100 miles of shoreline and a chain of 100 launch and landing sites, this urban freshwater trail provides plenty of opportunities to explore multiple communities, including Mercer Island.

Ten (10) Mercer Island water trail heads provide amenities to human powered water craft, including:

- I-90 East Channel Boat Launch
- Fruitland Landing
- Luther Burbank Park
- Lincoln Landing
- Slater Park
- Proctor Landing
- Franklin Landing
- Groveland Beach Park
- 85th Place SE (South Point)
- Clarke Beach Park

Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan

In June, 2010, MacLeod Reckord Landscape Architects, Dugan Planning Services and KPG completed a comprehensive Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan, which update the previous plan from 1996. The Plan identifies specific projects that work together to improve walking and bicycling, and encourage them as an attractive alternative form of transportation. The Plan will be used over the next 20 years to guide decisions about pedestrian and bicycle facilities. It also is an essential part of the Transportation Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

The following goals guided the planning effort:

1. Expand and enhance the opportunities for bicycle and pedestrian circulation on and across Mercer Island;
2. Incorporate pedestrian and bicycle facilities as an integral part of the City's transportation system to provide sustainable mobility for all residents;
3. Enhance and improve pedestrian and bicycle circulation within the Town Center and its connectivity with neighborhoods;
4. Increase the visibility and accessibility of the bicycle and pedestrian circulation system;
5. Provide for trails within publicly-owned parks, right-of-way and open space which link to other designated facilities and are appropriate to the physical setting;
6. Strengthen the connectivity of pedestrian and bicycle facilities by creating a continuous integrated pedestrian and bicycle system with linkages between neighborhoods and places of employment, transit connections, schools, community facilities, parks, waterfront and other destinations;
7. Promote efficient use of rights-of-way by providing for safe shared use by both motorized and non-motorized uses.
8. Improve the existing non-motorized circulation system by upgrading and replacing substandard facilities in a timely manner;
9. Provide or acquire adequate annual funds to implement and incrementally construct and maintain the facilities as planned;
10. Plan a non-motorized trail system which is appropriate to the physical setting and which supports and enhances neighborhood character..
11. Encourage and support bicycle/pedestrian education, and safety and enforcement programs;
12. Complete and expand the pedestrian and bicycle system by acquiring rights-of-way as necessary and appropriate for trails and other facilities.

The plan was accepted by the City Council on June 21, 2010. Certain parks and Right-of-Way trails projects were identified in the plan and are being included in the Capital Project List in Section 10.

Trail Definitions

Neighborhood Links

Neighborhood linkage trails are multi-use pedestrian scale hiking, biking and equestrian connections that link neighborhoods with each other and with other open space areas, parks, neighborhoods, schools, religious centers and businesses. They provide the functional network of the trail system and consist of right-of-way and facilities designed for use by a variety of non-motorized users. They consist of both soft-surface and hard-surface materials and vary in width.

Water Trails

Water trails are recreational water routes for non-motorized boats and watercraft.

Park Trails

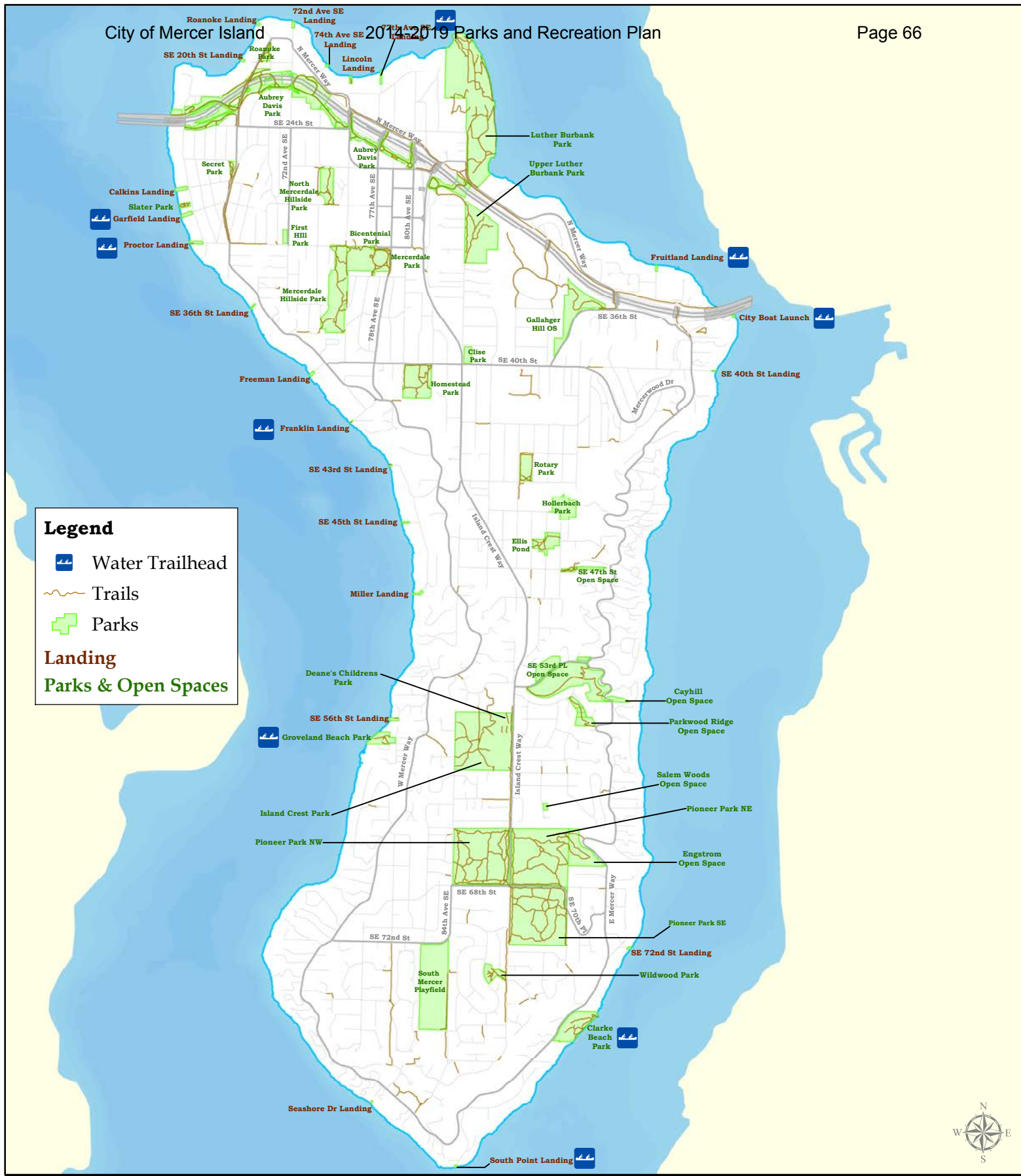
Numerous City parks include pathways, sidewalks and hiking trails, etc., that circle and connect within the boundaries of the park. They provide access to the park, allow circulation within the park and are considered a park amenity. Network trails that connect or pass through parks contribute to the park as an amenity.

Legend

-  Water Trailhead
-  Trails
-  Parks

Landing

Parks & Open Spaces



Mercer Island Parks and Trails Map



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Stewardship & Habitat Conservation

6. Stewardship and Habitat Conservation

The extensive tree canopy and the natural forested setting of the Island have long been regarded by Mercer Island citizens to be an important aspect of our community. The City has encouraged preservation and protection of steep slopes, watercourses, ravines, wildlife habitat and other environmentally sensitive areas. All of these elements define the wooded character of the Island.

For open spaces to remain healthy and viable, environmental stewardship programs have been developed and funded to ensure that trees and other vegetation are preserved, invasive plants removed, re-vegetation of plants encouraged and when necessary, hazard trees removed and replaced.

The vegetation in the City's park and open spaces provide multiple benefits to the public. Some of these benefits are quantifiable functions, like erosion control, storm water buffering, energy conservation, and pollution abatement. Other benefits, such as aesthetic, design and wildlife functions are more subjective in their value. Nevertheless, we know that if the vegetation is left unmanaged, these benefits decrease. Invasive plants crowd out native vegetation and prevent new trees from replacing those that are lost over time. The result is fewer trees and native vegetation and more thickets of blackberry and carpets of ivy.

The City of Mercer Island's open space properties are losing trees and native vegetation from the rampant growth of invasive, non-native plants as well as forest diseases. This trend would cause significant additional losses if left unchecked. This would result in the decline of the benefits that open space properties currently provide to the public. In 2003 and 2004 two planning efforts were initiated that resulted in the development of two plans to address these issues- Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan and a City-wide Open Space Vegetation Plan.

City-wide Open Space Vegetation Management

The vegetation management planning effort focused on open space properties on the Island and included initial site assessments that included surveying of City-owned parks and open space to determine landscape type, invasive cover, habitat type and condition. Other criteria including adjacent land uses, connectivity, erosion potential and canopy heights were analyzed. Values-based modeling was also conducted using City Green™ software to measure certain benefits associated with storm water buffering, air pollution removal and carbon sequestration.

As a result of this analysis, an Open Space Vegetation Plan was developed and approved by the City Council in 2004 that sets several levels of spending and achieves minimum and intermediate levels of service to preserve some of the benefits of open space. Minimum levels of service focus on removing ivy from trees while intermediate levels would also remove invasive plants from areas that are not yet heavily invaded. A level of service that maintains current function by replanting trees where needed and keeping invasive plants out of areas that are in relatively good condition has been the focus since Plan adoption.

The Open Space Vegetation Plan identifies specific management objectives that provide a priority order in which to allocate resources on a given site.

These represent good stewardship choices and are as follows:

1. Revegetate bare (eroded) areas on slopes

2. Remove ivy vines growing up trees
3. Maintain existing restoration project areas
4. Foster trees and woody debris in riparian and shoreline habitats
5. Plant native trees (especially conifers) where needed
6. Selectively weed invasives from native understory
7. Clear invasive dominated areas and foster native regeneration on slopes <30%
8. Control invasives and replant natives on slopes >30%

Revegetating bare slopes prevents loss of soil. Soil loss is very expensive to remedy and also damages downstream habitat. The cost of revegetation is far less than the alternative. Removing ivy vines saves existing trees which generates far more return than planting new trees. Maintaining existing project areas in restoration prevents the loss of public investment in existing projects as new project areas are begun. Often this is requires only a small routine effort.

Keeping canopy and woody debris in riparian shoreline habitats preserves critical aquatic habitat with minimal effort. Planting new trees provides for canopy trees over the long term. In the Vegetation Plan, canopy is being prioritized to some degree over understory management for two reasons. First is that canopy is the more significant component of functional benefit. Second, native understory condition can be improved by increasing tree canopy, which results in shady conditions that favor native vegetation.

However, it is not the intention of the Plan to ignore understory condition. Rather, it prioritizes understory work that is most cost-effective. Weeding invasive plants from predominantly native understory has been shown to be more cost-effective than restoring native vegetation to heavily invaded areas. Therefore, this was prioritized over clearing invasive-dominated areas and replanting heavily invaded steep slopes .

The Open Space Vegetation Plan seeks to utilize volunteers as much as possible to extend limited resources and engage the community in stewardship activities. However the plan recognizes that certain activities are not suited to volunteers and reserves technical activities and terrain for professional personnel.

Pioneer Park Forest Management

In 2003, Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan was adopted specifically to address the needs of Mercer Island's largest forest tract. The Forest Management Plan provides management and intervention that will maintain the native forest ecosystem, protect public safety and enhance positive uses of the park over the long-term. The plan includes provisions for hazard tree management, fire management, tree pruning and removal, tree protection, invasive plant control, rare or unusual plants, off-trail use, and habitat management. The 2004 City-wide Open Space Vegetation Plan included the Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan by reference.

Following the December 2006 Hanukkah Eve storm, the Mercer Island City Council considered whether enough was being done to restore tree canopy in Pioneer Park. The council commissioned a Forest Health Survey to quantify prescribed forest health factors. The study discovered several conditions that were not being adequately addressed by the existing Forest Management Plan. The work plan that resulted changed the focus of the restoration work in Pioneer Park from a site-based approach to a systemic approach. For example, the Forest Health Survey found that canopy regeneration, invasive trees and ivy were of particular

concern. New projects were designed to address these critical issues park-wide while holding the line where the site-based comprehensive restoration was already underway.

Ten Year Open Space Plan Update

The 2004 Open Space Vegetation Plan calls for a reevaluation of the open space property at ten years. A new survey of the canopy condition and invasive prevalence in the open space will be conducted in 2014. This will generate a new work plan that will guide the next ten years of work. The objective of the work plan will be to set up open space to function with less intervention in future years.

Forest Stewardship and Community Partnerships

The Open Space Vegetation Plan is based upon volunteer participation and neighborhood partnerships in order to achieve the desired results. Forest Stewardship provides a variety of ways to get involved. With training citizens can work on their own, lead a group pulling ivy, or work behind the scenes recruiting volunteers and handling project logistics. Forest Stewardship training provides citizens with the skills and knowledge to run effective volunteer projects. This training covers field leadership, project organization and technical aspects of performing restoration work with volunteers. People who take the training become Forest Stewards who are qualified to lead projects on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Department. Forest Stewards also help each other by playing supporting roles (organizing tools, leading teams, handling sign-in, etc.) on each other's projects.

Community partnerships are a vital component of stewardship activities. Partners have included:

- EarthCorps
- Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust
- Student Conservation Association
- Washington Youth Conservation Corps
- Washington State Department of Natural Resources
- Mercer Island Youth and Family Services VOICE Program
- Starbucks
- Mercer Island Preschool Association
- Friends of Luther Burbank Park
- Wildwood Park neighborhood
- Ellis Pond neighborhood
- Boy and Girl Scouts
- Mercer Island School District

The Department's open space vegetation and urban forest management program provide a systematic process to manage the forest ecosystem to ensure its long-term health.

Watercourses, Wetlands and Shorelands

The City of Mercer Island has identified approximately 90 sub-basins as part of its stormwater management plan. Within these sub-basins, approximately 55 previously identified watercourses (streams) drain into Lake Washington. Not every basin contains a stream, since some merely transport stormwater to the lake. Watercourses are naturally occurring or partially altered streams which are characterized by perennial or seasonal flows that contribute to water quality, stormwater and erosion control and the provision of wildlife habitats.

Wetlands on Mercer Island are characterized by hydric soils, water-tolerant plants (hydrophytes), and surfaces, which are either saturated or inundated with water for a minimum period of time. A wetland directly impacts water quality and stormwater control by trapping and filtering surface and ground water. Because of the difficulty in replacing these rare and valuable areas, the City's regulations control adjacent development and limit the amount of wetlands which may be altered.

Known wetlands include four wetlands that have been identified within Luther Burbank Park on the northeast corner of the island. The Parks and Recreation Department has partnered with Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust's volunteer program and Friends of Luther Burbank Park in managing the park's wetland areas. Many wetland enhancement projects have been implemented that involve replanting activities, invasives removal and boardwalk development.

Luther Burbank is a large park of 77 acres with three-quarters of a mile of Lake Washington waterfront. Much of the park has been left undeveloped to foster a variety of wildlife, including 135 species of birds, 50 species of waterfowl, raccoons, beaver, muskrats, tree frogs and rabbits. Many of these animals live in the wetlands that occupy the north and south ends of the park.

Shoreline Master Program

In 1971, the Washington Legislature passed the Shoreline Management Act (SMA), and the voters adopted the SMA in 1972. The SMA's overarching goal is "to prevent the inherent harm in an uncoordinated and piecemeal development of the state's shorelines." The SMA requires the City to develop and adopt an Shoreline Master Program (SMP), which includes goals, policies, and regulations consistent with state guidelines to protect shorelines. In Mercer Island, the SMP is applicable to "shorelands", which include Lake Washington, its underlying land, associated wetlands, and those lands that extend 200 feet landward from the edge of Lake Washington.

Shorelands directly impact water quality as surface and subsurface waters are filtered back into the lake. Additionally, shorelines are a valuable fish habitat area characterized by lake bottom conditions, erosion tendencies, and the proximity to watercourse outfalls. These may combine to provide a suitable environment for spawning fish. Street ends provide over 1,100 linear feet of shoreline and habitat value while Luther Burbank Park alone offers over 4,200 linear feet of shoreline. As part of the Luther Burbank Park Master Planning process, the park's shoreline was evaluated relative to its habitat value. In October 2005, Anchor Environmental performed a shoreline habitat inventory to characterize existing shoreline conditions for an array of fish and wildlife, including juvenile and adult salmon, bald eagles, birds, and amphibians. In addition, this inventory presents an overview of restoration and conservation opportunities for the park, considering the feasibility of implementing the actions that could be applied to increase the habitat value of the park's shoreline.

The City implemented its initial SMP in 1974. In 2007, the City began its update of the SMP in order to comply with new state guidelines that include grated decking and size limits on overwater structures, as well as plantings along the shoreline. The SMP was completed by City Council in 2013 after extensive public process. As of January, 2014, the Washington State Department of Ecology was reviewing the City's submittal.



Sustainability

7. Sustainability

Mercer Island may be small geographically, but its influence is much bigger, reaching far and wide across Puget Sound and beyond. There are a growing number of engaged citizens and leaders who want to make the world a better place by reducing the community's collective environmental impacts. Living on an island provides Mercer Island residents an inescapable sense of being part of the natural world: According to the City's 2012 telephone survey, 75% of respondents have a positive impression of the work the City does to protect those benefits such as the quality of the Island's environment and the health of the water that surrounds us.

For almost a decade now, Mercer Island's city government has advanced sustainability measures, striving to "consider the relationship between the decisions we make as a community and their long-term impacts" according to the 2006 Comprehensive Plan. And in 2007, the Council resolved to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80% or more below 2005 levels by 2050.

In 2012, a Sustainability Policy Task Force convened by Mayor Bassett crafted a set of recommendations for city action. After eight months of deliberation, the group of 14 citizens and officials delivered the [Sustainability Policy Recommendations Report](#) containing actions across five focus areas:

- Waste Reduction
- Energy and Water Conservation
- Yard Toxins
- Green Building
- Sustainability Education and Communications

These suggestions represent their perspective on the best near-term projects to immediately improve our island's footprint in a cost-effective manner. One of the first fundamental suggestions to be implemented was hiring the city's first Sustainability Manager.

The City is building the Task Force recommendations into a broader Sustainability Action Plan with a rolling six-year horizon, just like many other major city programs. A key component of this plan will be to implement better tracking using a comprehensive carbon footprint tool to identify additional ways that the city administration and island residents can reduce impacts. Another initiative will be inserting sustainability as a topic into other city documents such as this Parks and Recreation Plan.

Several smaller initiatives are already underway:

- **Electric Vehicle Charging:** over the past 18 months, the three city-owned stations have served 1,000 users and are often occupied for hours on end. We're looking at more designated parking and more machines.
- **Commercial Composting:** most homes enjoy free curbside food waste collection, but it is not so simple for businesses and apartment buildings. The City is exploring such options.
- **Solar Power:** the first City-owned solar array was installed at the Community and Event Center.

- Lighting Retrofit: with grant money, we are upgrading the lighting above Town Center's parking lots to modern LED's. The cost-savings will feed into a loan fund that will underwrite other energy-efficiency projects in the future.
- Through grant funding, the MICEC's gymnasium lighting was retrofit with modern LED's.
- Plastic Bag Ban: The City of Mercer Island has begun hearings on a proposed ban of single-use, disposable plastic shopping bags on the island.

The Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office has adopted a sustainability policy for projects that it funds. In its policy, "Sustainability" means to help fund a recreation or conservation project that minimizes impact to the natural environment while maximizing the project's service life. Additionally, the [State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan](#) (SCORP) discusses sustainability in two components: environmental sustainability and recreational sustainability.

Environmental sustainability focuses on preserving and protecting the longevity of environmental resources and assets. In other words, recreation facilities and opportunities that promote environmental sustainability provide recreation designed to minimize environmental impacts and encourage stewardship and ethical use. Recreational sustainability focuses on preserving and protecting the longevity of recreational assets. In other words, recreation facilities and opportunities that promote recreational sustainability are designed to maximize the useful life of recreation facilities and opportunities into the future, thereby encouraging self-supporting design, maintenance, operation, and funding.

The two aspects of sustainability are interconnected. Designing park facilities to last longer reduces consumption and waste over the long term. Anticipating future needs allows planners to keep future opportunities open, avoiding demolition and rebuild scenarios that are common in facility redevelopment. However, the two aspects of sustainability can involve difficult choices. A steel bridge may last three to four times as long as a bridge made out of treated wood, but the carbon footprint of steel is estimated at ten times that of wood. Building a sport facility to last fifty years assumes that the sport itself will remain popular for that period of time. It risks investment in a pastime that might go out of fashion. Careful analysis of a project is necessary to know where sustainability measures will be most effective.

Park Maintenance Practices

The Department's park maintenance staff are dedicated to caring for the environment as they manage the parks' facilities and landscapes. Every year, staff received state recertification in pesticide application with training in integrated pest management to reduce the amounts and impacts of pesticides they apply. Our IPM involves mechanical applications such as hand-weeding, mulching for weed suppression, proper plant selection and other cultivation practices that minimize the use of herbicides. Herbicide use has been reduced, and least toxic formulations are preferentially substituted for more traditional products.

Staff recently replaced and upgraded the irrigation controllers to Rainmaster Smart Clocks. These Smart Clocks monitor precipitation levels and adjust watering amounts based off needs, minimizing waste and improving conservation. Recent technological innovations also allow staff computer web-based access to ballfield lighting controls to maximize energy conservation and reduce waste. In addition, lead staff have studied water/turf relationships and have been successful in designing turf management which uses less water and increases turf health

through a combination of increasing mowing height and improving timing and intervals of irrigation cycles.

The maintenance staff continues use recycled materials in furniture materials such as recycled tires and plastics in park benches and recycle receptacles. In addition, staff has recently transitioned to phosphate free fertilizers for turf management applications and expanded recycling receptacles throughout the entire parks system. The maintenance staff continues to work to improve livability and sustainability by looking at new and improved practices and materials.

Recreation Practices

Recreation programs are a highly visible opportunity to showcase City policies on sustainability. The annual Summer Celebration! event features recycling stations throughout the festival and has included food waste compost collection since 2010. All food vendors are now required to use compostable serve ware. Over 60 volunteers assist with this comprehensive zero waste effort. The festival also uses solar powered generators for stage power. Music events in the park utilize green power from Puget Sound Energy. City staff are working towards making more community events compost-friendly and focused on trash reduction. City staff have promoted the Mercer Island Recreation Guides as an online publication and print circulation has been significantly reduced.

Mercer Island's Leap for Green is the annual environmental fair to encourage children and adults to adopt sustainable practices. This takes place the weekend closest to Earth Day. The Adventure Playground at Deanes Children's Park provides self-directed free play in a forest setting. Kids build forts, swings, bridges and anything else they can imagine. This provides a type of play that enhances children's sense of place in the natural world. Research correlates environmental stewardship behavior in adults with childhood experiences of self-directed play in natural settings. This type of play is increasingly difficult for children to access.

Business and Operations Practices

The Mercer Island Community & Event Center is committed to sustainability daily through composting, recycling, paper reduction, and heating/cooling conservation practices. This includes:

- In 2009, the center installed Rainmaster Smart Clocks to minimize water waste while keeping the grounds adequately watered.
- In 2010, funded 100% by a PSE grant, the community center replaced inefficient metal halide gymnasium lighting with more efficient T-5 of lighting and a newly installed sensor system.
- In 2012, an electric car charging station was installed in the Center's parking lot.
- In 2013, a solar panel array was installed in the southeast corner of the MICEC property. This project was funded by grant dollars and community donations.
- In 2013, a second electric car charging station was designated in the Center's parking lot.

Encroachments

One aspect of environmental sustainability is preserving ecological function of parks and open space properties. The City has invested considerable resources to this end. The cumulative

effect of encroachments from neighboring properties can be a significant impact to forest ecology. A study of urban forests in Ontario, Canada found that encroachments along park boundaries significantly degraded forest function for those public properties.³ Impacts documented included waste disposal, yard extension, forest recreation, clearing and yard plant invasions. From a different perspective, the 2013 SCORP specifically lists encroachments as an issue for recreational sustainability. Such encroachments are commonly found along park and open space boundaries on Mercer Island.

City of Mercer Island had addressed encroachments on a limited basis until the development of the Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan in 2003. That plan identified numerous encroachments in Pioneer Park. The Open Space Conservancy Trust adopted a policy to address encroachments in 2005, and the encroachments in Pioneer Park were rectified through a process of contacting and working with neighbors to restore the park boundaries. In 2009 and 2010, contractors performing restoration work under the Open Space Vegetation Plan uncovered another series of encroachments in several open space properties. Boundary surveys were conducted and an encroachment inventory was compiled. Some of the identified encroachments have been resolved, while others are in process or have yet to find a constructive outcome. Additional policy development on encroachments is needed to facilitate the resolution of outstanding cases.

Shoreline Master Program

In 2013, the City completed an update to its Shoreline Master Program (SMP) for approval by the Washington State Department of Ecology. The SMP helps coordinate shoreline development and protect shoreline habitat. The regulations affect property owners adjacent to Lake Washington who wish to modify their shorelands area. These alterations could include docks, bulkheads, setbacks from the shoreline, and the placement of structures near the Lake. The Shoreline Master Program increases the sustainability of shoreline use on Mercer Island.

³ McWilliam, Wendy, et. al. 2010. Assessing the Degradation Effects of Local Residents on Urban Forests in Ontario, Canada. *Arboriculture and Urban Forestry* 36:6, pp. 253-260.



Needs, Demands & Public Involvement

8. Needs, Demands and Public Involvement

Needs and Demand Analysis

Demand for parks and recreation facilities is an important part of the parks planning process. User needs and facility demand are affected by many different variables including the age and geographic distribution of the population, and local attitudes and recreation participation patterns. The purpose of performance guidelines is to provide a general, gross indication of community needs and a ruler against which our successes can be measured.

This chapter focuses on quantifying and assessing recreation needs in terms of park categories and park facilities. The demand analysis in this chapter builds on the goals and objectives found in the prior “Goals and Objectives” chapter. In addition, the analysis of needs also utilized guidelines formulated by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), and Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) Level of Service (LOS) tools as found in [Manual 2: Planning Policies](#).

Levels of service standards analysis is the traditional method of measuring progress toward meeting park needs and objectives. It is a useful way to inventory park and recreation facilities and to understand the distribution and types of services. Standards are guidelines that communities can use to quantify in terms of acres, miles of trails, and numbers of facilities perceived to be needed to satisfy the demand for parks and recreation in an area.

“The LOS standard deals only with basic recreation and park space as related to population. Other factors such as park location, service area, size, accessibility and facility mix must be left to local policy”

-1996, Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines, National Recreation and Park Association

Population Ratio is the traditional approach to Levels of Service (LOS), as described by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) in its development of park and recreation facility guidelines most recently revised in 1983. This method establishes standards for outdoor active park and recreation facilities based on a community’s population. This is one the most commonly applied LOS methodologies throughout the U.S. However, it has been widely recognized that other factors may contribute to needs and demands.

User demand is more important than meeting minimum guidelines. For example, a national standard may call for one badminton court per 5,000 population. However, if the community is not interested in badminton, providing 5 courts just to meet the guideline is a waste of resources. On the other hand, if the community demands soccer fields, planning efforts must assess the demand and compare it to demand for other facilities. Furthermore, existing guidelines address the needs for facilities such as sports facilities and playgrounds, but do not provide guidelines on other needs for facilities such as public art, community gardens, outdoor performance spaces, etc. Therefore, the population based guidelines developed by NRPA should be used in conjunction with other user demands and metrics to determine appropriate park and recreational facilities for Mercer Island.

Park Type	Service Area	Desirable Size	Acres/1000 population	Existing Acres	Existing 1000/pop. (22,699 pop)	Future 1000/pop. (26,000 pop)	Needs	
							Existing	Future
Mini-Park	Less than 1/2 mile radius	2 acres or less	.25-.5 acre	4.12	0.18	0.16	-.07 ac/1,000 deficit (1.56 acres)	-.09 ac/1,000 deficit (2.38 acres)
Neighborhood Park	1/4 - 1/2 mile radius	2-5 acres	1-2 acres	11.23	0.49	0.43	-.51 ac/1,000 deficit (11.47 acres)	-.57 ac/1,000 deficit (14.77 acres)
Community Park	1 - 2 mile radius	5+ acres	5-8 acres	78.21 ¹	3.45	3.01	-1.55 ac/1,000 deficit (35.29 acres)	-1.99 ac/1,000 deficit (51.79 acres)
Regional Park	2 - 3 mile radius	50+ acres	5-10 acres	113.79	5.01	4.38	Need met	-.62 ac/1,000 deficit (16.21 acres)
Open Space	2 - 3 mile radius	1+ acres ²	5-13.5 acres	307.37 ³	13.54	11.82	+.04 acres per 1000 pop. (0.92 acres in excess)	Need Met

¹ Includes 18.2 acres of Islander Middle School Campus (South Mercer Playfields), 24.5 acres of the High School Campus, 4.4 acres of West Mercer Elementary Campus, 6.1 acres of Island Park Elementary Campus and 5.4 acres of Lakeridge Elementary Campus

² Computed by dividing total open space acreage by number of open space areas

³ National Recreation and Park Association provides no open space guideline and recommends that local jurisdictions determine an appropriate level of open space acreage

Table 4: Level of Service by Park Classification

Public Facilities Type*	Service Area	Desirable Size	Per population 1/x,000	Per Current 22,699 pop	Existing (publicly owned)	Future per 26,000	Existing need	Future need	Key and notes
Community Center	n/a	20,000 30,000 sq ft	1/25,000	1	1	1	0	0	
Sports Courts									
Outdoor basketball	1/4 mile - 1/2 mile		1/5,000	4		5			
<i>Reg Size Full</i>		4,200+ sq ft			0		0	0	
<i>Non-Reg Size Full</i>		3,000-4,000 sq ft			6		0	0	
<i>Half</i>		2,400 sq ft			18		0	0	
Indoor Basketball	1/4 mile - 1/2 mile		1/2,000	11		13			
<i>Reg Size Full</i>		4,200+ sq ft			4			2	
<i>Non-Reg Size Full</i>		3,000-4,000 sq ft			11		0	0	
<i>Half</i>		2,400 sq ft			24				
Outdoor Volleyball (sand)	1/2 mile - 1 mile	30' x 60'	1/20,000	1	1	1	0	1	
Indoor volleyball	1/2 mile - 1 mile	30' x 60'	1/5,000	4	9	5	0	0	
Pickleball	1/4 mile - 1/2 mil	44' x 20'	1/5,000	4	9	5	0	0	
Badminton	1/4 mile - 1/2 mil	17'x44' / 20'x44'	1/5,000	4	14	5	0	0	
Tennis		7,200 sq ft per court	1/2,000	11	14	13	0	0	
Skate Court	15-30 min	Varies	No standard	1	1	1	0	1	
Sports Fields									
Share Baseball/Softball	1/4 mile - 1/2 mil	same as below	1/5,000	4	10	5	0	2	
Lighted Baseball/Softball	1/4 mile - 1/2 mil	same as below	1/5,000	4	2	5	2	2	
Official Baseball	1/4 mile - 1/2 mil	Baselines- 90', Pitching Dist. - 60.5', Foul lines-min. 320', Center field- 400'	1/5,000	4	2	5	1	1	
Little League	1/4 mile - 1/2 mil	Baselines- 60', Pitching Dist. - 46', Foul lines-min. 200', Center field- 200-250'	1/5,000	4	10	5	0	0	
Official Softball	1/4 mile - 1/2 mil	Baselines- 60', Pitching Dist. - 45' men & 40' women; Fast pitch field radius from plate- 225'; Slow pitch- 275' (men) & 250' women	1/5,000	4	6	5	0	0	
Official Soccer	1-2 miles	195'-225' x 330'-360'	1/5,000	4	6	5	1	1	
Mod Soccer	1-2 miles	varies	No standard		10		2	2	
Football	15-30 min	160'x360'	1/10,000	2	2	3	0	1	
LaCrosse	15-30 min	180'x330'	1/5,000	4	6	5	0	1	
Indoor Pools	15-30 min	Varies	1/20,000	1	1	1	0	0	
Boat Launch	n/a	2.5 ac-3.0 ac	1/25,000	1	1	1	0	0	
1/4 Mile Running Track	15-30 min	4.3 ac	1/20,000	1	2	1	0	0	
Trails		Varies	No standard		No standard				
Neighborhood Links									
Water Trails									
Park Trails									
Beach Areas	No standard	No standard	No standard		No standard	3	0	0	

no standard exists or MIPR recommendation
 2013 Inventory
 current and future needs
 * does not include JCC, PEAK, other private

Recreation and Conservation Office Level of Service Tool

The [RCO Level of Service Tool](#) encourages the consideration of quantity, quality, distribution and access. It provides percentage targets for Levels of Service classified from A to E, A being the highest and E being the lowest. (See Appendix 2) Of the indicators measured, Mercer Island achieves a Level of Service A on all indicators. The indicator that was not quantitatively measured was the percentage of demand met by existing facilities.

RCO Proposed Indicator		Mercer Island Level of Service
Quantity Criteria		
Number of Parks and Recreation Facilities	% difference between existing and desired quantity or per capita average	A, based on quantity per capita
Facilities that Support Active Recreation Opportunities	% of facilities that support or encourage active (muscle powered) recreation	A
Facility Capacity	Percent of demand met by existing facility	Not evaluated
Quality Criteria		
Agency-Based Assessment	% of facilities fully functional per agency guidelines	A
Public Satisfaction (Appendix 3)	% population satisfied	A
Distribution and Access Criteria		
Population within Service Areas	% population within 0.5 miles of a neighborhood park/trail; and 25 miles of a regional park/trail	A
Access	% of facilities that can be accessed safely by foot, bike or public transportation	A

Table 6: Level of Service Classification

The Parks and Recreation Department has robust contact with individuals and user groups throughout the city. The department receives indicators of demand from emails, phone calls and meetings with citizens. Staff track trends in recreation that are being demanded by park users. Trends recorded in recent past include the advent of “get muddy” competitive events, parkour, mountain bike courses, and outdoor fitness equipment. In the development of this plan, citizens were asked to respond to an online survey about their recreational needs and desires. Results of this survey are compiled in Appendix 6.

Washington State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan

Another way to anticipate changes in needs and demands is to look at population trends. The 2013 [State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan](#) (SCORP) surveyed state residents about their needs and demands and analyzed trends by various demographic groups. It identifies several trends in outdoor recreation that may be pertinent to Mercer Island. One is that the population is aging. Another is that the population is becoming more diverse. These statewide population trends are also found in the census data for Mercer Island in Section 3. Changing needs and demands from these trends should be anticipated in future projects. In the case of an aging population, the SCORP observes:

The survey of Washington residents suggests that older residents are participating in nature activities, such as gardening, at a higher rate than are younger residents. Similarly, a higher percentage of older residents are participating in sightseeing than are younger residents. Conversely, older residents are participating in recreational activities, which include physical activities such as running, jogging, playground use, and swimming, at a lower rate when compared to younger residents.

In the case of a population that is becoming more diverse, the SCORP observes:

Compared with whites, non-whites have notably lower participation rates in the following activities: sightseeing; snow and ice activities; hunting and shooting; wildlife viewing/photographing; gardening, flowers or vegetables; and boating. On the other hand, compared with whites, non-whites have notably higher participation rates in aerobics/fitness activities and jogging/running.

On the other hand, Mercer Island differs from the state as a whole in a couple of significant ways. The percentage of family households is higher on Mercer Island than it is statewide. Also, the percentage of the population in the 20-24 age range is lower than the statewide figure. This may indicate the need for additional need for family based recreation and less emphasis on recreation trends among young adults.

NRPA PRORAGIS

As stated above, traditional Level of Service (LOS) guidelines address the needs for facilities such as sports facilities and playgrounds, but do not provide guidelines on other needs such as public art, community gardens, outdoor performance spaces, etc. There is a need for scoping level of service across all types of facilities and programs. Parks and recreation planners have developed a way for cities to compare their facilities to other peer jurisdictions. Starting in 2012, the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) began comprehensively compiling data on agencies across the country in a new user-accessible format. The Parks and Recreation Operating Ratio and Geographic Information System (PRORAGIS) is designed to be searchable online database where cities can compare their operations to other cities based on various criteria. The City of Mercer Island joined the PRORAGIS database in 2012. Based on an initial analysis, the database needs more user participation to provide a robust peer city dataset to allow comparison and benchmarking for Mercer Island. However, Mercer Island Parks and Recreation staff anticipate that this will happen, making it an important planning tool in future parks and recreation plans.

Public Involvement

In the course of the development of this plan, several sources of public input were considered. One primary source consisted of the many public processes that have been conducted over the past fifteen years in various aspects of parks and recreation development, including master planning, park facility planning, recreation programming, park acquisition and development, open space vegetation management and park maintenance. In addition, Parks and Recreation staff were polled about the needs and demands they have encountered from customers in the course of their work.

For this parks and recreation plan, the public was directly contacted through press release, public notice and articles in the City's weekly publication. Citizens were directed to a City of Mercer Island web page, www.mercergov.org/parksplan with more information and a draft plan. Citizens were encouraged to complete an online survey as well as review the draft plan. A public hearing was held on December 2, 2013 at a regular Mercer Island City Council meeting. A concurrent SEPA review was conducted by the City of Mercer Island Development Services Group. Results of this outreach are compiled in Appendix 6.

The following list outlines the basic activities that have previously included residents of the Island, public organizations, government entities, and private business on the Island.

Hebert Research Survey

Following the defeat of the 1998 Community Center Bond election the City Council requested Hebert Research of Bellevue to research specific details on information from Mercer Island residents who voted "No" on the Community Center Proposition.

Mercerdale Park Master Plan

This Master Plan, developed by MacLeod Reckord, was approved by City Council in 1998. The plan retained Mercerdale as public land for development as a naturally landscaped park with open space trails, quiet areas, play areas for children, public plaza and future use for elderly housing, senior/community center, thrift shop and recycling center.

Pioneer Park Master Plan

In Fall 2000, the Mercer Island Open Space Conservancy Trust and the City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department initiated the development of a long-term Master Plan for improvements to Pioneer Park. MacLeod Reckord provided consulting services in the development of the plan. The purpose of the plan was to address physical improvements that would improve access and enhance public use of the park. The plan was approved by the Trust in October, 2001, and the City Council allocated funding to implement the plan in 2002.

Parks Maintenance Level of Service – June 2000

In the early 1980's, the Maintenance Department assumed responsibility for the maintenance of park and open space properties. In 1999, a Council study session provided a venue to discuss park maintenance standards. In conjunction with 2001-02 budget preparations, the Council reviewed in public session the level of service (LOS) standards to determine whether the level of service was too high in all parks, too high in a few parks, too low in some parks or at an appropriate level in all parks. Council concurred with staff's recommended level of service.

Community Facilities Planning Process, ~~Opening and Current & Future Needs~~

The City worked cooperatively with the major owners and suppliers of community facilities (Mercer Island School District, Boys and Girls Club, Stroum Jewish Community Center, King County Parks, French American School of Puget Sound) while the City embarked on a decision making process on a future community center. A series of meetings were held with the leaders of these organizations because each of the providers were contemplating future capital facilities expansion and it was prudent to explore opportunities for collaboration and avoid duplication. As a result of these discussions a community facilities master planning process was launched to test actual property characteristics against the desired facilities.

A formal public process was conducted by Evans McDonough. A series of four neighborhood workshops were held the last week of August 2001. Neighbors were invited to comment on the process and its objectives. "Joint venture" options were subsequently identified and discussed at City Council and various boards. Joint venture options were presented at a community forum on September 25. Over the course of the planning process other community organizations reassessed their respective capital campaigns and as a result, facilitated the City moving forward with a community center planning process.

~~In December 2005, the Mercer Island Community & Event Center (MIGEC) opened as a 7-day-a-week facility providing various recreational and meeting options for the community.~~

~~Currently, the community center operating up to 110 hours per week and is funded mainly by rental income and a \$330,000 annual subsidy, which is the Council adopted funding policy. Given the projections of operating costs associated with the community center, future Council guidance is needed to determine the appropriate uses of the facility and corresponding funding levels and the levels of service offered.~~

Recreation Services Community Involvement

Workshops were conducted with Parks and Recreation Department Staff, and with other recreation providers on Mercer Island. The purpose of the staff workshop was to involve staff in a discussion of recreation program and services offered on Mercer Island and to explore changes that may be needed in the future. Recreation providers on Mercer Island were invited to attend a workshop for the purpose of discussing recreation programs currently offered in the community, and identifying gaps and overlaps in service. The workshop was the kickoff for quarterly roundtables the Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting to provide a forum for discussing trends, service needs, and opportunities for collaboration and partnerships. In addition to the staff workshop and recreation provider roundtable, participants in Parks and Recreation programs were invited to complete comment sheets rating current park and recreation opportunities and identifying future needs on the Island.

Homestead Field Master Plan

City staff engaged regular users of the park as well as residents of the Homestead neighborhood in a public involvement process that related to potential future developments at Homestead Field. Bruce Dees and Associates facilitated and formulated the plan. This process was intended to provide a forum for the hearing, consideration and decision-making about a number of facility improvements that had been requested by various park users over the last few years. Because not all park user interests could be met (some too costly, some contradictory), an advisory committee including representatives of the park users and City staff was formed to develop a consensus plan for potential future improvements. The "master plan" brought to Council reflected that consensus.

Council Parks and Recreation Committee

On August 5, 2002, City Council established a subcommittee of the Council to consider Parks and Recreation issues. Council was experiencing increasing numbers of parks and recreation projects and issues. Council decided that a subcommittee of the Council could provide a helpful source of information and in some cases, recommendations to the full Council. The Subcommittee advises the Department on Issues relating to parks and recreation policy, park acquisition, park management, capital projects and general 'hot topics'. Three Council

members were appointed to the committee by the Mayor to work with Director of the Parks and Recreation Department to bring this committee into action. The first meeting of the committee occurred on March 13, 2003.

Pioneer Park Forest Management Plan

For over a year in late 2002 and into 2003, a forest management plan was developed by the Open Space Conservancy Trust that provided direction for management and intervention within Pioneer Park to maintain the native forest ecosystem, protect public safety and enhance positive uses of the park over the long-term. Drafts were provided to the public and placed on the City's website. A feedback form was included in both hardcopy and electronic versions. A brochure describing the contents of the plan was mailed to the participants in the prior park master planning effort (2001) and property owners surrounding the park. A public open house in the park was conducted with members of the Trust and staff where members of the public provided comments. The plan was revised and then adopted by the Trust and City Council in separate public sessions.

Open Space Vegetation Plan

In April of 2004, initial site assessments were conducted that included surveying of City-owned parks and open space to determine landscape type, invasive cover, habitat type and condition. Other criteria including adjacent land uses, connectivity, erosion potential and canopy heights were analyzed. Values-based modeling was also conducted involving certain benefits associated with storm water buffering, air pollution removal and carbon sequestration. The analysis was presented at two public meetings where participants rated six benefits of open space vegetation in their order of importance. In a separate exercise, participants placed "sticky dots" on a map to indicate which parks where it was most important to manage open space vegetation. This resulted in an initial ranking of open space properties. A weighting of each benefit by the average of the ratings supplied by the meeting participants occurred and a final analysis of benefit on a per acre basis was validated by the final results of the "sticky dot" exercise. These results were presented at a second public meeting for verification. Revisions were made and a final plan was presented to the City Council for approval in October 2004.

Luther Burbank Park Public Visioning and Master Planning Process

Planning for Luther Burbank Park began in November 2004 with a Community Visioning Process.

The result of the community visioning process was the development of a set of 15 community design guidelines that were then used to set the stage for the longer-term master plan process. These guidelines were developed over a three month period from November 2004 – January 2005 and included three public workshops as well as numerous written and emailed responses. The City Council approved the Guidelines on February 7, 2005.

At their annual planning retreat in April 2005, the City Council determined to move ahead with a park master planning process for Luther Burbank Park. A public involvement program was developed to provide for multiple and varied opportunities for public involvement and input. The eight-month long master planning process included 15 opportunities for public involvement including one in-park public workshop, seven small group work sessions, two town hall-style meetings and five City Council meetings (four of which had public hearings). Throughout the entire process, citizens were also encouraged to submit their comments by mail, email or fax.

Rotary Park Improvements

Rotary Park began in 1970 as a project of the Mercer Island Rotary Club, and has evolved over time into a neighborhood park. In recent years, the poplar trees have been dying, and the center plaza has become cracked and worn. In 2005, Mercer Island City Council decided to invest carryover funds from 2004 in park and open space areas. Rotary Park's landscape was selected as one of these projects.

In late April 2006, the Parks and Recreation Department hosted an open house to solicit input on the renovation work. In June, two concept plans were circulated to the public based on input received at the public meeting. Concept One was a design that kept the central plaza similar to the way it is. Concept Two expanded the central plaza by creating arcing walls in natural stone, reflecting the organic forms in the rest of the park. The input received favored the simplicity of Concept One, but also preferred the organic forms of Concept Two. Both concepts were subsequently combined and public feedback strongly favored planting oak trees as replacements to the poplar trees. In early December 2006, the Rotary Club of Mercer Island worked alongside local Boy Scouts to plant approximately 40 of the new oak trees. Plaza improvements were implemented in early 2007.

Ballfield Use Analysis

In 2007, Beckwith Consulting worked with ballfield user groups and City staff to evaluate the existing sports facilities and use patterns. The consultant met with user groups repeatedly during the course of the study. The study was presented to City Council in October 2007.

Parks Bond and Parks Maintenance Levy, 2008

Planning for the 2008 Parks bond began in December 2007. A Citizen's Stakeholder Committee was established to develop a list of park projects that could be funded through a parks bond. Comprised of three (3) Councilmembers, three (3) citizens at Large, and fourteen (14) different user/interest groups, the Committee and Parks and Recreation staff held seven Committee meetings that were open to the public and advertised on the City's website, in the Mercer Island Reporter, and in the Mercer Island Weekly. Time was set aside at the beginning of each Committee meeting for public comment. In addition, a citizen survey of 700 residents was conducted to gauge community interests in the potential park projects and operations.

The Mercer Island City Council approved ordinances that placed two parks measures on the November 4, 2008 ballot. The \$900,000 per year Parks Operations and Maintenance Levy, passed with a 53.13% approval, included funding for open space and forest restoration and school related park and recreation activities. The 15-year levy also replaced the previous levy that funds the operations of Luther Burbank Park. The \$12 million Parks Bond levy was approved by 53.86% of the voters; however it required a "super majority" of 60% of the votes and therefore did not pass.

Island Crest Way Trail

The South end trail project was identified in 2004 as part of a neighborhood campaign in support of establishing a pedestrian and bicycle connection along Island Crest Way between SE 78th Street and SE 71st Street. Prior to construction, the project was identified in the City's 2005-2010 Transportation Improvement Plan and planned for construction with the City's 2007 Residential Street Overlay project. Neighborhood concerns over a paved surface requested that the City look into alternative surfacing and routes. A community meeting was held in September 2007 to discuss trail width, surfacing, and alternative trail routes. Thirty-six (36)

residents, City staff, and City Councilmembers attended the meeting and voted on the proposed trail.

In October 2008, after successfully acquiring funding from the King Conservation District, staff met with the surrounding neighborhoods to discuss plant locations and species. Two neighborhood team leaders were identified and tasked with organizing volunteers and assist in planting, maintenance, and watering during the two-year plant establishment period. On November 1, 2008, over fifty (50) volunteers planted ninety (90) trees and one-hundred and ninety (190) shrubs along the trail.

Luther Burbank Park Shoreline Project and Off Leash Dog Area Improvements

Included in the 2007-2008 Capital Improvement Program, the Shoreline Restoration and Off Leash Dog Park renovations at Luther Burbank Park were approved by the City Council in July 2008. Public input and involvement was received for these projects throughout the Luther Burbank Park master planning process, including 15 public meetings. City staff collaborated with off leash area users and the Friends of Luther Burbank Park throughout the initial and final designs of the shoreline and off lease area improvements.

South Mercer Playfields Synthetic Turf and Batting Cages

Identified as a potential park project during the failed 2008 Park Bond, the City of Mercer Island and the Mercer Island School District entered into an interlocal agreement in September 2009 for improvements, maintenance, and operations of District sports fields at Island Park, Lakeridge, and West Mercer Elementary schools, as well as capital improvements to sports fields at South Mercer Playfields. The interlocal agreement was approved and issued in October 2009.

Phase I of the interlocal agreement was completed in March 2010 and included converting Fields 1, 2, and 3 from dirt infields to synthetic turf, as well as bullpen improvements. Following discussions with the user groups, Phase II included the building remodel and equipment upgrades. The Mercer Island Little League contributed \$40,000 for Phase II work and the Mercer Island School District contributed \$27,000 for the project. The project was completed in the fall of 2010.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan

In 2010, the City completed a facility planning process to further refine and focus efforts on providing for alternatives to the automobile. A Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan was developed that encourages and enhances both recreation and utility use by upgrading the pedestrian and bicycle system mainly through improvements to the on-street system. The City Council, City staff, interested citizens and consultants worked together to produce the plan. Two public workshops as well as several Planning Commission and City Council meetings were conducted to collect public input. Such input shaped development of the plan.

Playground Replacements at Aubrey Davis Park, Homestead Park, Deane's Children's Park, Groveland Park

Identified in the 2011-2012 Capital Improvement Program, the playgrounds at Aubrey Davis Park Picnic Shelter, Homestead Park, Deane's Children's Park, and Groveland Park were replaced. Public input was received through written communication from various community members, surrounding neighborhoods and from the Mercer Island Preschool Association.

Public input and results from a 2006 playground audit helped prioritize the replacement cycle for these playgrounds.

Island Crest Synthetic Turf

Identified as a potential park project during the failed 2008 Park Bond, ballfield users continued to advocate on the installation of a synthetic turf infield at the Island Crest Park. The Friends of Island Crest Park, a group Mercer Island booster club members and parents, worked with the City and Mercer Island School District to raise \$150,000 in private contributions for the project. In addition, the Mercer Island School District committed \$25,000 to the project. Public input was also received in presentations at the January 2012 City Council Planning Session, and at two City Council meetings in 2012.

Luther Burbank Playground Replacement

Identified in the 2013-2014 Capital Improvement Program, the playground at Luther Burbank Park was replaced in 2013. Two public meetings were held in February 2013 to receive input and discuss different options regarding the new playground design. Six (6) playground firms presented their proposed playgrounds during the second community meeting. These designs were put on display for the general public for two weeks, while staff received comments and feedback for each design.

A design committee comprised of the Mercer Island Preschool Association, Friends of Luther Burbank Park, parents and City staff evaluated all comments and feedback in relation to the proposed designs and jointly selected the preferred vendor. In addition, the Mercer Island Preschool Association and the Parks and Recreation Department partnered to sell personalized bricks and held a fundraiser to raise additional funds for this project.

Luther Burbank Shoreline and Calkins Landing

In 2013, the City completed three shoreline restoration designs, Calkins Point, the South Shoreline at Luther Burbank Park, and Calkins Landing. Members from the Friends of Luther Burbank Park participated as members of the selection committee for the consultant interviews. Following the selection of the design firm, a public meeting was held to discuss the conceptual designs of the three shoreline projects. Ten (10) members from the community participated in the meeting, including families, elected officials, and members from the King Conservation District. Participants were presented the conceptual designs on the upcoming projects and provided an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback regarding the proposed designs.



Goals & Objectives

9. Goals and Objectives

Mission Statement

“The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department takes pride in providing the highest quality facilities and services in partnership with the community to enhance livability on Mercer Island”

Vision Statement

The Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department is a people first organization dedicated to creating experiences in a healthy, safe and positive environment.

We advocate for the changing needs of the community by providing two way communication which welcomes input and feedback to support a cohesive and efficient department.

We maintain and preserve high quality parks, facilities, open space, natural resources and recreation and cultural services to enrich the lives of those in our community and provide a sense of belonging and pride.

It is with high a standard of ethics and integrity that we commit to excellence by building partnerships and relationships and preserve resources with an emphasis on sustainability for future generations.

The City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department will:

Goal 1: Provide recreation and leisure time programs and facilities that afford equal opportunities for all Mercer Island residents while considering the needs of non-Mercer Island residents.

- a) Provide a variety of athletic opportunities, with emphasis on lifetime sports;
- b) Provide recreation opportunities for all ages, skill levels and income groups;
 1. Cost recovery levels for adults shall be greater than youth and seniors and youth programs shall recover more than senior programs;
 2. Adult sports leagues shall recover a higher level of costs than youth sports leagues;
- c) Provide a variety of social and cultural arts programs;
- d) Provide opportunities for special populations and encourage inclusive recreation pursuits whenever possible;
- e) Support collaborations and agreements with other agencies and organizations to broaden recreation, art, social, cultural and enrichment opportunities;
- f) Recruit and retain volunteers to support and enhance programs and services;
- g) Pursue regular evaluation and assessment of program and service offerings for customer satisfaction, relevancy and effectiveness;
- h) Encourage the availability of an accessible indoor aquatic facility for the general public.

Goal 2: Provide a system of attractive, safe, and functional parks, and park facilities.

- a) Provide park facilities to adequately meet community needs and demands and seek strategies to maximize existing park and recreation assets (i.e. conversion

- of natural grass ballfields to artificial turf and adding lights; improved scheduling practices; etc.)
- b) Develop park planning tools and implement long term park/open space management and park master plans;
 - c) Retain publicly owned parks and open spaces in perpetuity;
 - d) Cooperate and coordinate with other jurisdictions in the planning and development of regional parks and facilities (regional off-leash areas; regional aquatics facilities; regional trails systems, etc.)
 - e) Pursue design techniques and operational practices that allow flexibility in park and facility uses;
 - f) Encourage private sector participation in preserving open space and providing facilities for recreational and community enjoyment;
 - g) In partnership with other public and private organizations, pursue a coordinated system of facility scheduling to maximize limited recreational assets (i.e. ballfields; gymnasiums) within the community;
 - h) Develop and implement equitable indoor and outdoor facility scheduling protocols that considers residency, age served, competitiveness, seasons of use and practice vs. game requirements.
 - i) Pursue improvements to developed and undeveloped street ends where appropriate and where public demand supports new access.

Goal 3: Preserve natural and developed open space environments and trails for the benefit of all existing and future generations.

- a) Promptly investigate open space acquisition opportunities as they become available;
- b) Pursue fee simple purchase, transfer of development rights, conservation easements or other preservation and land use mechanisms that would
 1. enable acquisition of properties where development would create severe hazards to public health/safety;
 2. provide a buffer between incompatible land uses
 3. protect ravines and watercourse corridors
 4. preserve lands adjacent to or visually accessible from arterials
 5. expand existing parks and open spaces or add to an activity node
 - i. Parcel size should be one acre or larger
- c) Open space land should offer identifiable benefits to the community that extend beyond adjacent private properties;
- d) Property should not present conspicuous liability risk unless appropriate mitigation can be pursued;
- e) Provide trails that are safe and attractive for pedestrians, bicycles and equestrians and
 1. complete and expand the pedestrian, equestrian and bicycle circulation system by acquiring rights-of-way as necessary and appropriate for trails;
 2. Increase the visibility and accessibility of the bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian circulation system;
 3. Develop trail systems within existing open space properties to provide maintenance and recreational access;
 4. enable continuous linkages between employment, transit, schools, parks, neighborhoods, churches/synagogues and community facilities;

Goal 4: Provide comprehensive public art through cooperation with the Mercer Island Arts Council.

- a) Integrate public art into the community through partnership with the Mercer Island Arts Council;
- b) Incorporate public art into the City of Mercer Island Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects whenever possible;
- c) Encourage private contributions to the arts, consistent with City gift and donation policies that avoid duplication and provide widespread public access.

Goal 5: Secure maintenance funding at a level necessary to sustain and enhance parks, trails and open space.

- a) Develop and update long term plans for maintaining parks, trails and open space;
- b) Seek City funding appropriations, including Capital Improvement funds, external grants and gifts to support the City's adopted Level of Service Standards for parks and to implement approved park and forest management plans.

Goal 7: Pursue state and federal grant funding for parks and open space improvements.

- a) Seek operations, maintenance and capital improvement grant funds to enhance parks, trails and open space areas.

Goal 8: Operate community center (MICEC) within budget policy as set by City Council.

- a) Establish city and department usage and fee guidelines for overall facility usage such as recreation programs, public rentals, and free usage.
- b) Establish cost recovery guidelines for facility.
- c) Review and establish Council directed funding policy for center that can support its annual operational needs.

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Capital Projects Planning

10. Capital Projects Planning

Background

The City of Mercer Island's capital needs are funded through an established planning tool known as the Capital Improvement Program, or CIP. The City separates the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) into two parts: the Capital Reinvestment Plan (CRP) and the Capital Facilities Plan (CFP). The CRP contains all major maintenance projects for existing public assets. The CFP consists of proposed new capital facilities.

Capital Reinvestment Program (CRP)

The CRP's purpose is to organize and schedule repair, replacement and refurbishment of public improvements for the City of Mercer Island. The CRP is established as a six-year program setting forth each of the proposed maintenance projects, including the cost and funding source. The individual six year plans for capital reinvestment serve as the City's capital planning documents as required by the City's Comprehensive Plan (Capital Facilities Element) and the State Growth Management Act. CRP projects are generally paid from existing City resources, in other words "pay as you go". The program emphasis in a reinvestment plan is timely repair and maintenance of existing facilities. To this effect, while new equipment and improvements are made to some older fixed assets, the intent is to design a program, which will preserve and maintain the City's existing infrastructure. The maintenance and enhancement of the taxpayer's investment in fixed assets remains the City's best defense against the enormous cost of the replacement of older but still very valuable public improvements.

The CIP is intended to be a public document. For this purpose, it is organized by functional area. Hence, any individual who wishes to gain knowledge about a project need not know the funding source or any other technical information but only need to know the general type of improvement in order to find the relevant information. The Capital Reinvestment Program is divided into four functional programmatic areas:

- Streets (including pedestrian and bicycle facilities)
- Park and recreational facilities (including open space)
- General government (including building repairs, technology and equipment)
- Utilities (sewer, storm water, and water)

CRP projects are typically "pay as you go" funded from the current operations of the City Street Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, Technology and Equipment and the Utility Funds (Water, Sewer, and Stormwater). In the case of larger scope CRP projects, such as a sizable reinvestment in a Park, outside funding sources may be needed.

It is important to note that Parks and Recreation capital improvement plan developed for this plan considers not only the Parks and Recreation CRP, but also includes the portion of the General Government CRP that includes the repair and replacement for the Mercer Island Community and Events Center and the Luther Burbank Administration Building.

Capital Facilities Plan (CFP)

The CFP is also a six-year plan to outline proposed new capital projects. The CFP is divided into the same four component parts: Streets (including pedestrian and bicycle facilities); Parks, recreation and open space facilities; General government; and Utilities (water, sewer and storm drainage). Like the CRP, the CFP plan for new facilities is intended to provide easy reading.

Each project in the plan is described briefly and the total cost and potential funding source for a six-year period is stated. Like the CRP, the CFP serves the capital planning requirements for six-year plans as outlined in the Comprehensive Plan and State Growth Management Act.

As it is with the CRP, the CFP is organized by category of project. Funding for CFP will generally be decided simultaneously with the approval of the project. This may involve a bond issue, special grant or a source of revenue that is outside the available cash resources of the City.

Nomination Process

As a part of each biennial budget process, the CIP Committee receives proposals for needed capital projects submitted by the affected department managers, team leaders, advisory bodies, City Council, and others. The CIP Committee compiles and reviews the project proposals, their associated costs and funding sources. Based upon Council priorities and staff-developed project evaluation criteria, the Committee makes a recommendation on project funding priorities to the City Manager.

Capital Projects

The projected six year plan has identified over \$8 million in park and open space investments, with \$2.6 million already approved for the 2013-14 biennium and primarily funded with REET revenues. This plan is found in Appendix 4. These approved and projected expenditures have been vetted in the process described above. Additionally, the General Government portion of the six year plan has additional funding identified for the repair and maintenance of the Mercer Island Community and Events Center. These projects are not included in these figures or the chart below, but projects for these facilities have been identified in the 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Project List that follows.

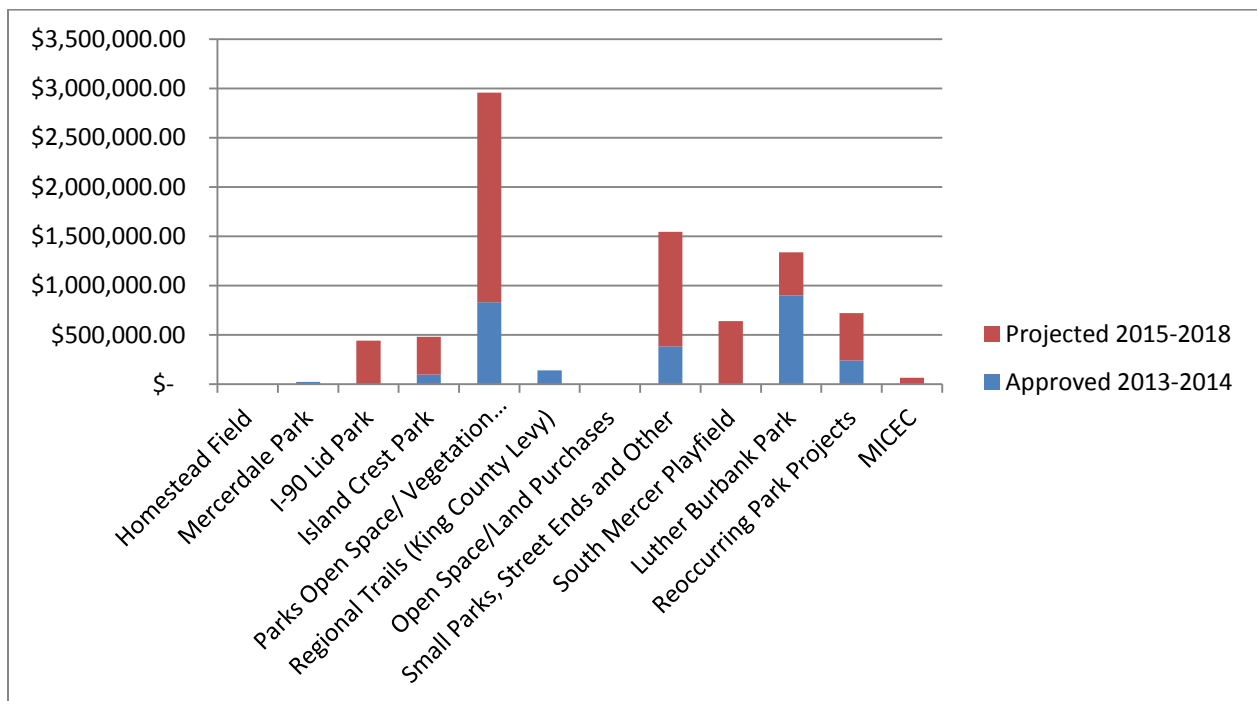


Figure 7: Six Year Park Capital Improvement Program Summary (Approved and Projected)

The 2014-2019 Parks and Recreation Plan Capital Improvement Project List

The Capital Project List for this Parks and Recreation Plan includes all the planned projects included in the 6 year schedule referenced above for 2013-2018 (identified in blue in the following table). For the planning period of 2014-2019, it identifies additional projects that are unfunded but that address priority needs of the community based on the needs and demands analysis, public involvement and the established goals and objectives. These projects have been subjected to preliminary scoping to develop planning-level cost estimates. Projects in this plan have not necessarily been subject to budgetary analysis in the same manner as the 2013-2018 Parks Capital Projects. During the budget development for upcoming biennia, projects from this plan may be brought forward by Parks and Recreation for consideration by the CIP committee.

Proposed 2014-2019 Capital Improvement Projects List by Park

Description	Priority	Start Year	Cost \$k	Funding opps	Sustainability opps
Aubrey Davis Park					
Trail Resurfacing/Widening in high use areas	1	2014	\$294		Pervious pavement; recycled content (e.g. rubber)
Park & Ride-Light Rail-Sculpture Park connectivity improvements	2	2017	\$150	1% for arts, Light Rail	LED lighting
Restroom Opportunities at Area C	2		\$106	Light Rail	Low flow; solar panel energy
Tennis Courts and Basketball Court Lifecycle estimated costs	3		\$264	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities	Green(er) products & materials
Area B developed into multipurpose field	3		\$380	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities	Minimal water needs; efficient sprinklers
Baseball backstop improvements (height for foul balls)	3		\$150	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Low-toxicity materials; reclaimed cedar vs treated wood
Gateway entrance sign	3		\$91	1% for arts, Light Rail	Display city messaging; need a place for EPA GreenPower Community sign
Boat Launch Improvements – two launch lane docks	3		\$95	RCO BFP	Recycled content plastics; low-toxics; local steel parts
Bicycle Kiosks	2	2016	\$75	TIP	low maintenance materials
Overlook Park Development	3		\$20		Nature Trail Development, Interpretive Signage
OLA Opportunity by the stacks	3		\$20		Fecal collection improvements, green(er) products
Clarke Beach Park					
Bulkhead/Shoreline & Dock Improvements	1	2018	\$460	RCO WWRP, ALEA, NOAA	Wildlife Enhancement, improved Salmon habitat
Restroom Upgrade & Remodel	3		\$106		Low flow; LED lighting
Groveland Beach Park					
Bulkhead/Dock Shoreline Improvements	1	2015	\$1,038	RCO WWRP, ALEA, NOAA	Wildlife Enhancement, improved Salmon habitat
Restroom Upgrade & Remodel Including Lifeguard improvements/quarters	3	2018	\$106		Low flow; LED lighting; Low VOC finishes

Proposed 2014-2019 Capital Improvement Projects List by Park

Description	Priority	Start Year	Cost \$k	Funding opps	Sustainability opps
Volleyball court upgrade	3		\$29		Green(er) products & materials
Homestead Park					
Pedestrian improvements for walkways	2		\$40		Pervious surface, and/or recycled content
Tennis Court Life Span/Resurfacing costs and upgrades	2		\$184	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities	Green(er) products & materials
Backstop Improvements	3		\$70	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Low-toxicity materials; reclaimed cedar vs treated wood
Island Crest Park					
Light Upgrade Costs	1	2015	\$504	PSE Grant, RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	LED Lights
South Infield to Synthetic	2		\$350	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Recycled material or % content
Replace Suspension Bridge	2		\$89		Steel probably best choice overall; seek local supplier
Adventure Playground Storage Facility and Fence for extended or year round operation	2		\$62	King County Youth Facilities	Reclaimed materials; repurposed mini-shipping container
Outfield to Synthetic	3		\$998	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Recycled material or % content
Batting Cage Improvements/Expansion to Indoor Pitching Area	3		\$240	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Recycled material or % content; low toxicity
Tennis Courts lifecycle and replacement costs	3		\$32	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities	Green(er) products & materials

Proposed 2014-2019 Capital Improvement Projects List by Park

Description	Priority	Start Year	Cost \$k	Funding opps	Sustainability opps
Luther Burbank Park					
Master Plan Items – updated costs on more relevant items	1		\$660		Green(er) products & materials
I-90 Lid Connector Trail	1		\$117	KC Prop 1	Low-impact; self-guided nature trail
Calkins Point shoreline stabilization and boardwalk extension	1	2014	\$315	RCO ALEA, NOAA, KCD	Low-toxicity materials; recycled content
Upper Luther Ravine Trail Phase 2	1	2014	\$70	KC Prop 1	Low-toxicity materials
Boat House Improvements (Safety, Restroom Upgrades, Boating & Concession Opps)	2		\$193		Recycled or repurposed material, or % content; low toxicity; rainwater capture for irrigation
Hand Carry Boat Launch and boardwalk	2		\$224	RCO ALEA, KC Prop 1	South wetland habitat improvements
South Shoreline implementation	2	2018	\$388	RCO ALEA, NOAA	
Meadow access road improvements	2		\$65		Driveable pervious pavers
Dock Upgrades and lifecycle	2		\$670	RCO BFP	Wildlife Enhancement, improved Salmon habitat
Amphitheatre Redesign	3		\$586	Arts Culture Grant	Native plants
Swim Beach Improvements	3		\$296	King County Youth Facilities	Locally-sourced materials; pervious paving for ADA
Picnic Shelter at Area B	3		\$193		Low-toxicity materials; reclaimed wood; solar
Covered materials storage to comply with Stormwater Management/NPDES	3		\$73		Rainwater runoff improvements; Repurposed materials
MICEC					
Technology Equipment and Replacement Fund	1	2014 -2019	\$636		EPA Energy Star or similar
Replace Registration Software (CLASS)	1	2017-19	\$175		Paper reduction (i.e. electronic signatures)

Proposed 2014-2019 Capital Improvement Projects List by Park

Description	Priority	Start Year	Cost \$k	Funding opps	Sustainability opps
On-going Building R&M/Replacement	1	2014-2019	\$788		Add'l solar PV; Sencor/LED lighting; Daylighting or light-tubes; HVAC upgrades; Heat pumps; Air curtains; Low VOC finishes and recycled-content floorings.
Replace/Upgrade vegetation plan of exterior; Exterior Repairs	1	2014-2016	\$76		Native vegetation
MICEC Exterior Surfacing Areas	1	2015-2019	\$80		LED options
Facility Reinvestment/Minor Facelift : basic repair and replacement to maintain quality of operations	1	2018-2020	\$500	PSE lighting grant, MIPA	Add LEED components when feasible , to be approved by City Council
Art Gallery	1	2018	\$36	1% for the Arts	
Emergency Preparedness technology	2	2015	\$95	possible grants	
MICEC Enhancements to improve current operations, usage and competitiveness	2	2018	\$150		Recycled Materials; Low VOC finishes; low toxicity components
Encroachment	3	2017	\$20		Native vegetation rather than construction materials
Increase Sustainability of MICEC	3	2016	\$150	sustainability fund, possible grants	Composting; rainwater capture; add'l EV charging stall; covered bike parking; LED/motion lighting
MICEC Exterior Grounds	3	2014	\$75		Possible raingarden or pond; Self-guided nature interp trails
Mercerdale Park					
Trail enhancements	1	2014	\$71		Natural local materials
Playground Lifecycle	2	2018	\$129	King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Locally-sourced materials; pervious paving for ADA if relevant
Skate Park Upgrades	2		\$119	King County Youth Facilities, RCO WWRP, Private Contributions	Bike parking, Green(er) products and materials
Restroom Improvements	3	2014	\$56		Low flow; solar panel energy
Thrift Shop restroom	3	2015	AB 4975 \$75 Exhibit 1	concurrent with Thrift Shop Expansion	Low flow; solar panel energy

Proposed 2014-2019 Capital Improvement Projects List by Park

Description	Priority	Start Year	Cost \$k	Funding opps	Sustainability opps
Roanoke Park					
Playground Equipment	2	2018	\$86	King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Low-toxicity materials; recycled content; repurposed items
South Mercer Playfields					
All Weather Turf Replacement Costs – scheduled for 2016	1	2016	\$700	Established User Fees	Recycled content; reduces water, mowing, fertilizer
Backstop Improvements at SMP Infields	1		\$84	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Low-toxicity materials; Green(er) products
Playground Lifecycle and estimated replacement costs	1	2016	\$108	King County Youth Facilities	Low-toxicity materials; recycled content; repurposed items
Lights at SMP (Infield/Outfield Combo) for longer bookings	3		\$325	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	LED floodlights; timers
Scoreboards to Fields 2 & 3	3		\$31	King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Energy efficient
Convert Natural Grass to Synthetic (Potential Field 5)	3		\$1,809	RCO WWRP, King County Youth Facilities, Private Contributions	Recycled content; reduces water, mowing, fertilizer
Trails					
Island Glen Bridge	1	2015	\$70		Green(er) products & materials
Hollerbach Open Space - survey and trail access	2	2014	\$20	KC Prop. 1	Natural local materials
SE 47th Open Space Trail	2	2014	\$40	KC Prop 1	Natural local materials
Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space Trail renovation	2	2014	\$36	Parks Operations Levy	Natural local materials
Repair or replace aging wood structures on ROW trails	2	2014	\$72		Extend lifecycle, reduce treated lumber; trex or steel decking
Pioneer Bike Path Lighting	3	2018	\$100	Private Contributions	Energy efficient LED; minimal spillover

Proposed 2014-2019 Capital Improvement Projects List by Park

Description	Priority	Start Year	Cost \$k	Funding opps	Sustainability opps
Wildwood Park					
Fence off-leash area	3		\$15		Low-toxicity materials; reclaimed cedar vs treated wood; extended lifespan
System					
Street End Improvements	1	2014	\$457	KCD Grant, RCO	Wildlife enhancement, improved salmon shorelines
MICEC and LBP complex Parking Study and first phase improvements	1	2014	\$30		Pervious pavement; recycled content (e.g. rubber, asphalt from shingles); rain garden for runoff treatment; grass pavers for overflow parking
Open Space Vegetation Plan Implementation	1	2014	\$2,960	REET	Encourage native spp; interp trail opportunities; adopt-a-park
Repair, replace, upgrade signs, furnishings, buildings	1	2014	\$747		Low-toxicity materials; reclaimed vs new; extended lifespan; recycled alternatives; green roofs; solar PV; rainwater capture for irrigation; use HDPE pipes instead of PVC for irrigation
Update Parks and Rec Plan	1	2019	\$150		Address support/ infrastructure for sustainable public events at parks; public edu or master gardener programs; mulch-fest (free chips/mulch to public); alt-fuel Park vehicles; fruit tree harvesting programs; P-Patch produce to Food Pantry
address property encroachments	2	2015	\$35	REET	Recreational sustainability
Wireless parks	3		\$10		

\$20,920

= is in 2013-2018 6 year CIP
 = change made in revised plan



Homestead Park Capital Improvement Project Map



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Landsdowne Ln

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SE 55th Pl

SE 56th St

89th Ave SE

Adventure
Playground
Fence & Storage

Suspension
Bridge

Court
Resurfacing

Synthetic
Field

Island Crest Way

SE 58th St

SE 58th St

Open Space
Management

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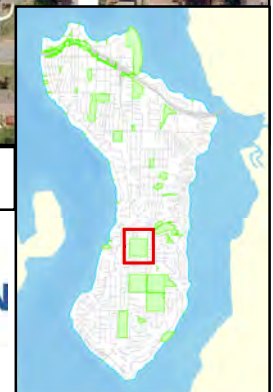
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Island Crest Park Capital Improvement Projects Map



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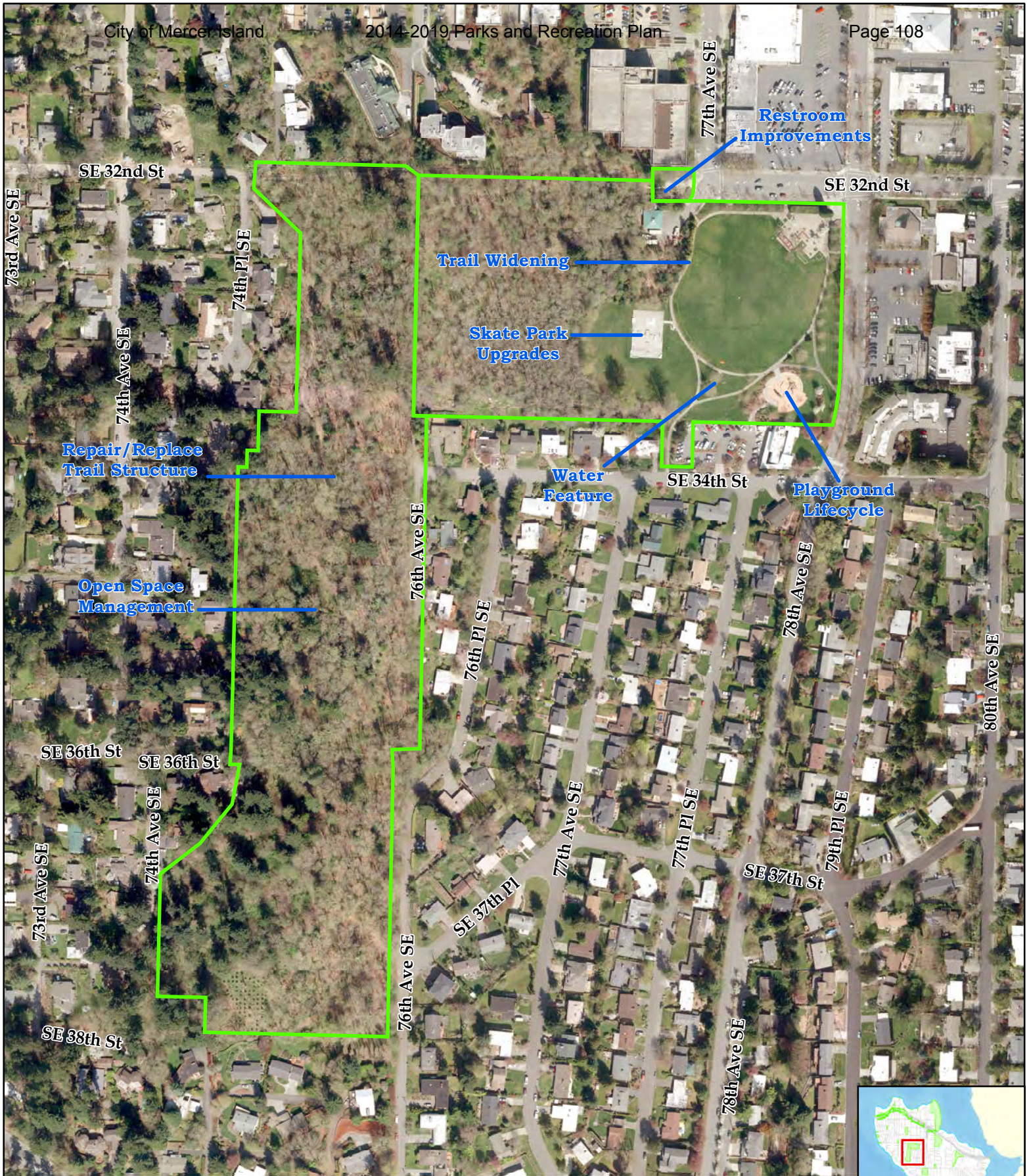
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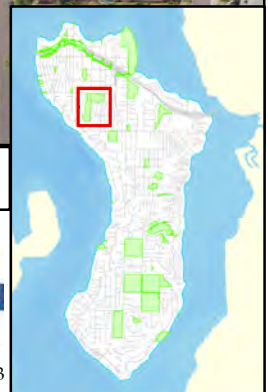


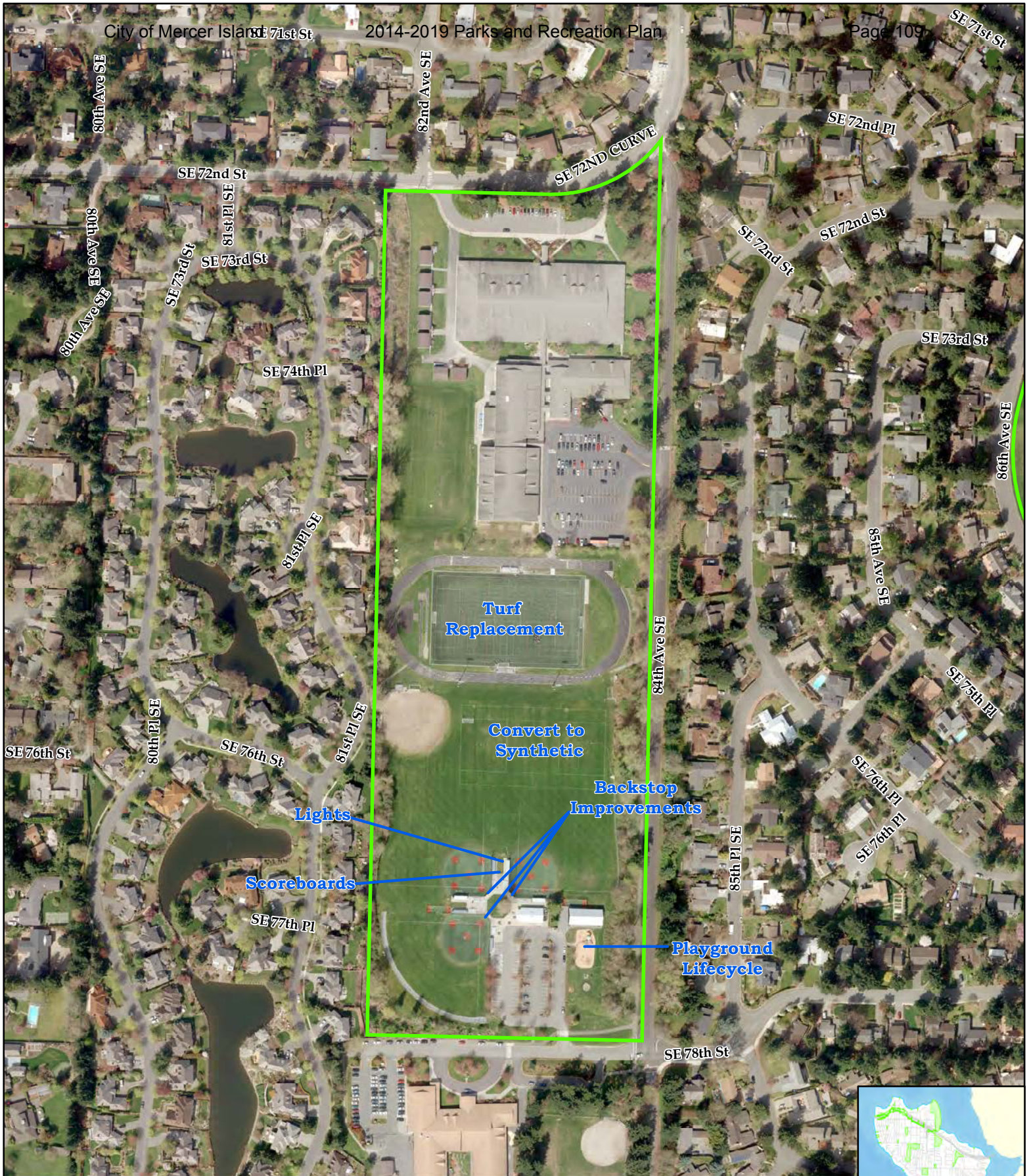
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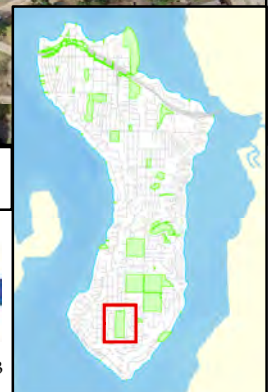
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South Mercer Playfields Capital Improvement Projects Map



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Trails Capital Projects Map



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Financing & Conservation Strategies

AB 4911
Exhibit 1

11. Financing and Conservation Strategies

City Capital Improvement Financing Strategy

Each biennial capital budget is part of a broader CIP financing plan that looks into the future to match capital reinvestment and capital facility needs with realistic financing strategies

Consistent with established budget policies and past Council financing strategies, CIP funding for the 2013-2014 biennium relies heavily on existing, available fund balances and projected revenues from Real Estate Excise Taxes (REET), Fuel Taxes (State shared revenues), and Utility rates. The General Fund continues to be the sole source for capital investments in technology and equipment.

Most revenues for capital projects come with restrictions. Utility rates may only be used for projects of the respective utility; fuel taxes may only be used for street and trail projects; and REET is reserved for capital projects to help develop a community's public infrastructure (e.g., parks, open space and streets). The City's capital financing strategy has been to use these restricted revenues on a "pay as you go" basis for needed improvements. This strategy remains unchanged, except for costly utility and public building projects for which debt financing is utilized to "smooth" utility rate spikes or to more equitably match the costs of the project to the benefit period.

REET is the 0.5% tax paid by the seller in property transactions. State law restricts the use of REET for specific capital purposes. REET-1 (the 1st quarter of 1% of the sales price) may be used for streets, parks, facilities, or utilities. REET-2 (the 2nd quarter of 1% of the sales price) may be used for streets, parks, or utilities, but may not be used for facilities. Neither REET-1 nor REET-2 may be used for equipment or technology.

REET is the largest revenue source for the projects in the Street and Capital Improvement Funds. REET revenue can vary significantly from year to year as its base (property sales) is highly dependent on economic conditions and interest rates. As the "Great Recession" took root, REET revenues declined in 2008, then declined further in 2009 due to a significant drop in the number of home sales from 603 homes in 2004 to a low of 260 homes in 2008 and 267 homes in 2009. Average home prices also declined from a high of \$1.24 million in 2008 to \$854,000 a year later. REET has recovered slowly in 2010-2012, mostly due to lower home prices. It is anticipated that home sales will continue to recover, although at a moderate rate, in 2013 and 2014.

Continuing the City's CIP financing strategy, REET-1 revenues are used to fund parks, open space, and public building maintenance projects and to pay the debt service on the Mercer View property and the Community Center. REET-2 revenues continue to be used for infrastructure needs, namely construction and maintenance of streets, pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

Because they cannot rely upon REET revenues, expenditures for new vehicles, equipment, and technology come from general purpose revenue, reserve, or grant funding sources. An example is the purchase of Firefighting Equipment, including technical rescue tools, which is planned for this biennium.

Consistent with their financial policies, utility capital improvements are funded from utility rates, primarily on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The table below shows an overview of the CIP financing strategy.

Capital Improvement Program Financing Strategy			
REET 1	REET 2	General Purpose Revenues	Utilities
Parks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction • Maintenance Open Space <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property Acquisition • Planning • Improvements Public Buildings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair • Maintenance • Planning and Design 	Streets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction • Maintenance Pedestrian / Bike Facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction • Maintenance 	Equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle Replacement • Public Safety Items Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computers • Software • Communications 	Sanitary Sewer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction • Maintenance Storm Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction • Maintenance Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction • Maintenance

Table 8: Capital Improvement Program Financing Strategies

Current Levy funding

2008 - Mercer Island Parks Operations and Maintenance Levy

In November 2008, Mercer Island voters approved at \$900,000 per year levy for operations and maintenance for 15 years. The year 2023 is the last year for this funding. This funding has supported Luther Burbank Park, forest restoration in Pioneer Park and other open space, school grounds field operations and maintenance.

2013 - King County Proposition 1 Parks, Trails, and Open Space Replacement Levy

In August 2013, voters overwhelmingly approved a continuation of the 2007 King County Parks and Regional Trails Levy. This program has funded trail construction all over Mercer Island, and will continue funding for 2014-2019. Funding from the 2007 levy ends in 2013, but unspent funds may be carried forward and expended in 2014.

Funding Parks and Open Space

The Parks portion of the CIP has traditionally been funded from a variety of sources, such as general CIP revenue (Real Estate Excise Tax 1 and 2), voter-approved levy and bond issues, state and local grants, and gifts/donations. A full description of existing and potentially available funding sources for park capital projects is provided later in this section. All parks related capital project costs, including planning, design, construction, maintenance and operations, and borrowing costs are customarily funded within the total revenue limit allocated to the parks CIP program.

Overall, the parks capital program makes up 13% of the citywide 2013-2014 CIP, compared to Streets, Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities at 14%, General Government at 43%, and Utilities at 30%. Note that the General Government category includes maintenance budgets for the Mercer Island Community and Events Center, the Luther Burbank Park Administration Building, both Parks and Recreation Facilities, as well as a substantial project for the construction of a new Fire Station.

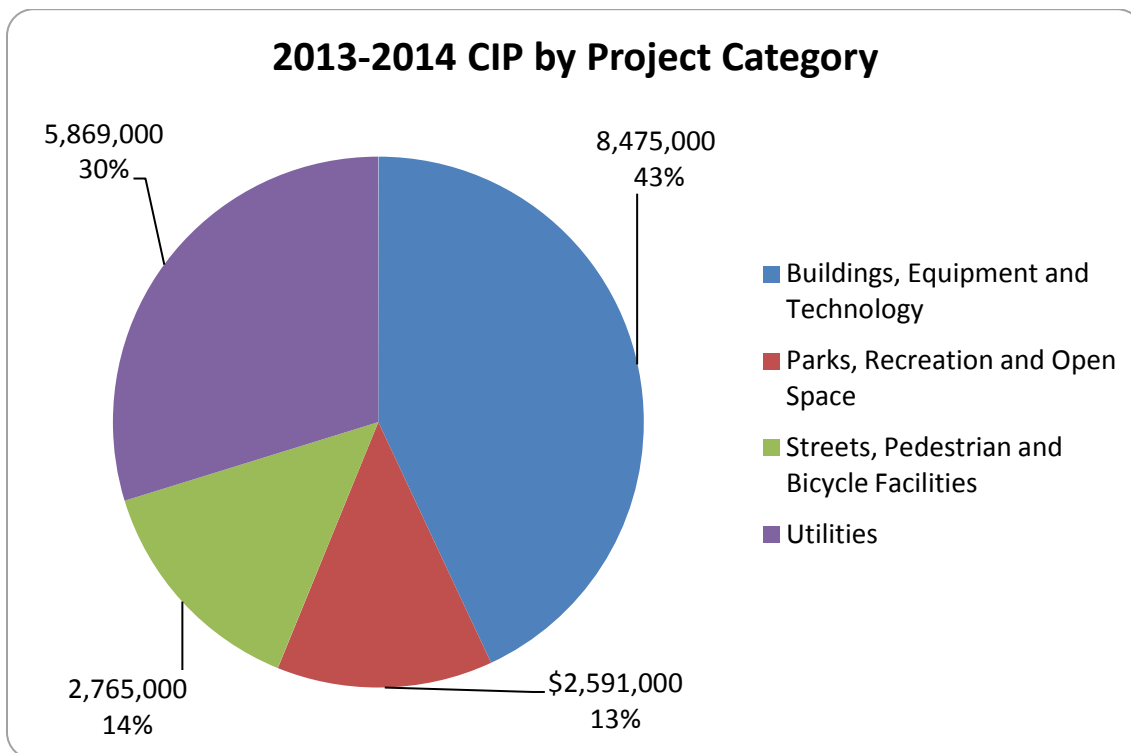


Figure 8: 2013-2014 CIP by Project Category

As part of the biennial budget development process, City staff reviews partially funded or unfunded long-term financial needs (capital and operating) for future years.

Seven of the projects included in the proposed 2013-2018 CIP are only partially funded or unfunded. All but one of the projects is a Parks and Recreation project. For three of the projects, full funding depends on receipt of a grant. Two of the projects are funded from “sinking funds” which are not fully funded to meet the planned expenditures for 2013-2018. The funding status for these projects is summarized in the table below.

Project Description	Funded 2013-2018	Unfunded 2013-2018	Total Cost Estimate	Funding Source for Unfunded Portion
Island Crest Park Ballfield Lights Replacement	338,000	45,000	383,000	PSE or Energy Grant
Luther Burbank Playground Replacement	303,000	25,000	328,000	Private Contributions
Luther Burbank Shoreline Phase II	161,000	189,000	350,000	Grant Funding
Small Parks, Street Ends (Calkins Landing)	1,238,000	307,000	1,545,000	KC Flood Control Grant
MICEC Technology & Equipment	341,000	200,000	541,000	Sinking Fund not fully funded
Fire Apparatus Replacements	415,000	1,083,000	1,498,000	Sinking Fund not fully funded
Totals	2,796,000	1,849,000	4,645,000	

Table 9: All partially-funded CIP Projects for the 2013-2014 Biennium

Of particular note are the following projects:

Luther Burbank Shoreline Phase II

Calkins Point in Luther Burbank Park has suffered from significant erosion due to its close proximity to high boat traffic and wakes. A defined beach access and protected shoreline will address this erosion and preserve the park. King Conservation District funding will be applied to design work. Following design, staff will apply for grant funding for a portion of the construction costs. The Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) or Salmon Restoration Funding are possible grant sources.

Small Parks, Street Ends (Calkins Landing)

Improvements to the street end at Calkins Landing (\$307K) are planned for 2014. This project includes repairs associated with the storm drain outfall at this location. Staff hopes to pay for construction with KC Flood Control District funding.

MICEC Technology and Equipment

A sinking fund was established in 2011-2012 using MICEC rental revenues. However, this will not fully fund the purchases planned for the 6 year period. An additional transfer of \$200,000 will be needed by 2016 to fully fund planned equipment replacements in 2016-2018.

In addition to the projects planned above, there are significant capital improvements that are not included in the 2013-2018 plan and for which a funding source has not yet been determined. The following projects continue to be unfunded or partially funded:

Luther Burbank Master Plan Implementation

Design and construction costs to implement master plan improvements identified in the 2005-2006 planning process were estimated at \$8.0 million. Two master plan elements were addressed in 2007-2008 (Shoreline Restoration Phase I and Off-Leash Area Improvements) at a cost of \$1.25 million. In November 2008, a \$12.0 million parks bond levy to fund park capital improvements, including master plan elements for Luther Burbank Park, was put to a vote and failed. A new funding source for these improvements has not been identified.

Open Space Acquisition (5-6 acres)

This consists of one-time purchases of open space property as opportunities arise at a cost of approximately \$2.0 million per acre. The preferred funding source identified is voted debt (20 years). REET-1 and other fund balances could also be used.

Many financing tools exist to fund the operations and maintenance and capital improvement costs associated with parks, open space, trails and facilities, including the following:

Revenue	Use Restrictions	Authorization Requirement	Special Considerations
Existing Revenues			
Reallocate general funds - base budget	None	Council Approval	
Year End Cash Carry-forward (General Fund)	None	Council Approval	
Available Cash Balances in other funds:		Council Approval	
·Beautification Fund	Fund Purpose		
·Contingency Fund	None		
·Capital Improvement Fund	REET		
·Technology & Equipment Fund	None		
·Capital Reserve Fund	None		
New Property Taxes			
Regular Levy	None	Council Approval	
Banked Capacity	None	Council Approval	
Non-voted Bond Issue	Debt paid with existing revenue	Council Approval	
Voted Levy Lid Lift	Stated purpose and/or time limit	Voter Approval	Can add inflation factor
Voted Bond Issue	Stated purpose	Voter Approval	Raises capital funds
New Sales Taxes			
Streamline Sales Tax	None	Legislature Approval; Council Approval	Potential long term growth source
New Business & Occupation Taxes			
City Utilities (water, sewer, storm)	None	Council Approval	
All other businesses	None	Council Approval	Increasing rate from .10% to .15% would correspond to regional tax rate average
Real Estate Taxes			
Real Estate Excise Tax (REET)	Certain Capital Improvements	Council Approval	Approx. \$1.5M budgeted per year in existing 05-06 CIP
New Fees			
Recreation	None	Council Approval	Reduces GF subsidy
New Grant Funds			
Federal	For grant purposes only	Congress/Exec Dept	Parks Improvements
State	For grant purposes only	State Agency	

Table 10: Financing Options for Unfunded Projects

Grants

A wide array of local, State and Federal grants are available for the acquisition, development, and maintenance of parks, open space and trails as well as support for a number of park and recreation programs. A full listing is identified in Appendix 5. Grant sources that may be applicable to specific capital projects are listed in the Capital Improvements Program table in Section 10.

Local/Regional:***Youth Athletic Facilities Grant***

The King County Youth Sport Facility Grant Fund (YSFG) provides matching grant funds to rehabilitate, expand, or develop sports fields and facilities serving youth in King County. To be eligible for funding, youth sports or community organizations must have established a partnership with a public entity on whose land the field or facility is located.

King Conservation District grants

The King Conservation District Member Jurisdiction & WRIA Grant Program supports natural resource improvement projects in partnership with 34 King County jurisdictions that are members of the District and the WRIA 7, 8 and 9 watershed forums. The King Conservation District awards grants for projects that are consistent with the mandates of the District. The KCD is funded primarily by a per-parcel assessment fee. Most cities and all of unincorporated King County are members of the King Conservation District.

King County Conservation Futures Program

Pursuant to RCW 89.08.400, special assessments to finance the activities of a conservation district may be proposed by a local conservation district and imposed by the legislative authority of the county in which the conservation district operates.

State:***Recreation and Conservation Office:***

- **ALEA** - [Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account](#)
- **BFP** - [Boating Facilities Program](#)
- **BIG** - [Boating Infrastructure Grant Program](#)
- **ESRP** - [Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program](#)
- **FARR** - [Firearms and Archery Range Recreation Program](#)
- **LWCF** - [Land and Water Conservation Fund](#)
- **NOVA** - [Non-highway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program](#)
- **RTP** - [Recreational Trails Program](#)
- **Salmon Recovery**
- **WWRP** - [Washington Wildlife Recreation Program](#)
- **YAF** - [Youth Athletic Facilities](#)

See Appendix 5 for details on these programs.

Federal:

See www.grants.gov for a listing of current federal grant opportunities.

Donations

The City of Mercer Island is fortunate to have many generous citizens who step up to fund programs and improvements for parks and recreation. From benches and trees to playgrounds and ballfields, the parks are more enjoyable because of the generosity of individuals and community groups. Significant opportunities exist within this plan for donors to fund needed park improvements and recreation programs.

Land Conservation Strategies

Land conservation on Mercer Island has considerations in addition to those above, primarily because there is little vacant land left on the island. Land conservation efforts often begin with opportunities that arise outside of the normal budget process. Additionally, the high per acre value of land makes simple market-rate financing prohibitive in most circumstances. Therefore, a number of property conservation strategies are considered below as a resource to conserve remaining undeveloped property.

Bargain Sale

Sale of a property to a tax exempt organization for less than the fair market value.

Fee simple purchase

Absolute title to land, free of any other claims against the title, which one can sell or pass to another by will or inheritance. This is a redundant form of "fee," but is used to show the fee (absolute title) is not a "conditional fee," or "determinable fee," or "fee tail." Like "fee" it is often used in deeds transferring title

Gift in Fee simple

Transfer of a property by deeding it directly to a charitable organization for conservation or other purposes. Tax benefits may apply to the donor.

Transfer of Development Rights

TDR is the exchange of zoning privileges from areas with low population needs, such as farmland, to areas of high population needs, such as downtown areas. These transfers allow for the preservation of open spaces and historic landmarks, while giving urban areas a chance to expand and experience continued growth.

Conservation Easement

A legally-binding agreement between a property owner and an organization such as a conservancy which protects natural resource values of the property by restricting selected uses. The property remains in private ownership and does not need to be opened to the public. Tax benefits may apply to the donor.

Endowment

A permanent stewardship fund established to support costs of maintaining a property or defending and monitoring a conservation easement. Permanence is assured by restricting withdrawals from the principal and relying on investment income for annual cost.

Deed restrictions

A written stipulation contained within a deed that restricts certain future uses of the property generally inserted at the time of transfer. A deed restriction may include restrictions similar to those contained within a conservation easement. However, enforcement may only be carried out by the prior owner or other parties to the transaction and the restrictions may be canceled at any time by mutual written agreement.

Offsets/Sequestration/Carbon Banking

Initiatives or programs that counteract or offset the production of carbon or greenhouse gases. Renewable energy, cogeneration, energy efficiency, carpooling and reforestation activities can help reduce utility, industrial, building and vehicle emissions and restore clear-cut forests. A greenhouse gas offset is a reduction in greenhouse gas (GHG) emission levels caused by a specific GHG reduction project. They are different from on-site reductions because they

mitigate the emissions of one source (such as a power plant) by reducing emissions at another location (such as an energy efficiency project). Funding flows from the original source to the offset project in exchange for the mitigated emissions. Because GHG levels are global in effect, the physical location of emission reduction does not matter, as long as it achieves a real reduction in the overall greenhouse gas levels in the atmosphere.

The Municipal Research Services Center (MRSC) has identified a number of funding options and incentives for the acquisition of park and open space properties.

Funding options for park and open space acquisition

- Impact fees
- Real estate excise tax
- Conservation futures tax
- General obligation bond
- Fee-in-lieu of dedication of parks and open space
- Purchase of development rights program (would still need funding, e.g., bond measure)
- Carbon banking
- Grants

Non-monetary options for park and open space acquisition

- Parks and/or open space dedication requirement as part of subdivision
- Density bonus or clustering for preservation of open space
- Density transfer
- Development agreements (not involving fee-in-lieu of dedication)
- Transfer of development rights program
- Less than fee simple - purchase of development rights; conservation easements
- King County four-to-one program

Other incentives for land preservation in open space

- Current use tax assessment

More detail on these options is presented in Appendix 6.



Action Plan

12. Action Plan

With a defined geographic boundary and relatively little vacant land remaining, Mercer Island is unlike other cities which need to plan for expanded park and open space facilities to serve annexed areas and rapid growth. Instead, the direction for the Island is to be prepared to respond efficiently to issues as they arise (shifting demand, population spikes, school enrollment peaks, new trends, etc.) and to maintain existing facilities and open space. Since 2000, dramatic changes have occurred to the parks and recreation system on Mercer Island (new property acquisitions, ballfield upgrades, new community center, vegetation management and park master plans, leash law changes, etc.). The following action items are prioritized in two categories: policy issues and capital improvements.

Policy Issues

Secure maintenance funding that sustains parks, trails and open space.

Continue to fund the City's adopted Level of Service (LOS) standards for ongoing park maintenance and open space vegetation initiatives. Continue to maintain and make small capital improvements to the parks while considering strategies to more rapidly implement larger capital improvements cited in the Luther Burbank Park Master Plan. Aging waterfront infrastructure will require repair and replacement in the 20 year time horizon. With the addition of the City right-of-way trails, aging trail infrastructure, encroachments and other facility concerns will require action within the 10 year horizon. As a number of parks and open space areas require greater maintenance and improvements, pursue grants, donations and other outside funding sources to fund identified projects.

Community Center Budget Policy Direction and Level of Approved Subsidy.

The 2013-2014 Budget policies state:

Addressing Council initiatives, enhancing revenues and meeting public service demands will be accomplished through the following:

- Continue to provide basic service levels for existing programs and develop appropriate charges and cost recovery goals for enhanced levels of service.
- Cost recovery levels for adults shall be greater than youth and seniors, and youth programs shall recover more than senior programs. Adult sports leagues shall recover a higher level of costs than youth sports leagues.
- Operate the MICEC within the approved 2012 General Fund subsidy level of \$329,000.
- Continue to refine the existing MICEC room rental pricing for residents and non-residents, Island based community groups, off-island community groups, and corporate clients.
- Establish cost recovery on facility usage at MICEC for recreation and city programs housed at the facility.
- Establish guidelines for establishing a balance between recreation programs and activities versus rental activities.
- Maintain consistent Community Center staff coverage (2 customer service staff per shift) for all established operating hours, as well as adequate back office staffing levels to safely and efficiently manage the MICEC's overall business and operational needs.

~~According to current Council approved budget policy, the Mercer Island Community and Events Center (MICEC) currently operates on a pre-established general fund subsidy of approximately \$330,000 annually which is adjusted for inflation, with the exception of the 2013-14 budget.~~

Over 65% of the overall usage of the MICEC is considered community based and is heavily subsidized. Without inflationary adjustment and with the current level of reliance on private rental income (70% of revenue), the current budget policy will likely require a reduction in the level of service offered to recreational programming, community groups and residents usage. This reduction in service may take the form of less access and/or implementing higher usage fees for these groups, as well as deferred maintenance on the facility. It also becomes a conflicting priority of the Department's initiative to offer no-cost or low-cost options for recreational programs and community group usage. Staff will continue to provide on-going analysis on the usage patterns of user groups and their respective cost recovery. Direction is needed from will be sought from City Council on the priorities for MICEC usage and the level of general fund support and capital reinvestment ~~these priorities will be granted in the 2015-2016 budget process.~~

~~Some examples of activities include recreation classes, gymnasium activity, fitness room usage, numerous drop-in activities, organized multi-generational activities, informal social gatherings, day care and preschool tenants, and the Mercer Island Art Gallery. MICEC also serves as a venue for large community wide events (Rotary Run, Leap for Green, and SCI). To host such activities, the MICEC offers one large banquet room that is sub-dividable into three smaller rooms, a catering kitchen, outdoor terrace, 6 smaller meeting rooms, a gymnasium, dance room, fitness center, locker rooms, a game room, art gallery and abundant public gathering areas. It also serves as the community's primary emergency shelter during disasters or prolonged utility outages.~~

Secure funding through public/private partnerships.

Continue to foster community partnerships with Mercer Island businesses, service organizations, clubs, Mercer Island School District, and local non-profits to fund quality improvements in parks and open spaces, as well as enhancement recreation programs, events, and facilities. An emphasis should be placed on developing these partnerships to secure funding to improve the aging system and maximize use and programming.

Promptly investigate open space acquisition opportunities as they become available.

The City of Mercer Island enjoys a significantly high per capita ratio of parks and open space (21 acres per 1000), with over 64% of all parkland in undeveloped open space. While preserving ravines, watercourse corridors and other critical lands continues to be a high priority, emphasis should be placed on developing trails within and between existing open space properties and parks. Trails enable passive recreation opportunities, provide safe travel routes between neighborhoods and schools and provide needed maintenance access for vegetation improvements (invasive species removal, re-planting activities, etc.).

Implement and update park master and management plans for major park and recreation facilities.

Park master plans currently exist for Luther Burbank Park, Mercerdale Park, Homestead Field and Pioneer Park. A Forest Management Plan continues to guide annual improvements in Pioneer Park while an Open Space Vegetation Plan has been developed that prioritizes invasive species removal and replanting activities across the park system. Continued funding of

these efforts is imperative to preserve and improve the park system. City funding is necessary to initiate, implement and periodically update such plans.

Capital Facilities and Improvements

Luther Burbank Park

Implement the Luther Burbank Park Master Plan, with emphasis on shoreline restoration activities, parking needs with the Community Center, dock/boiler building area improvements, Upper Luther Burbank Park trail connections and swim beach enhancements.

Ballfield Improvements

Implement improvements to ballfields that enhance safety, playability and durability including lighting at Island Crest Park and additional synthetic turf conversions.

Boat Launch

Improve boat launching and retrieval by expanding launch lanes and repositioning floats.

Ongoing Park Improvements

Continue to replace playgrounds, park furniture, signage and other amenities as part of the City's ongoing capital maintenance program.

Vegetation Management

Continue investments in removing invasive species and replanting native vegetation in parks and open space areas consistent with the Open Space Vegetation Plan.

Trails Development

Pursue trail development within current parks and open space properties and make connections to existing trail systems in other parks and public facilities. Repair and replace trails structures on newly acquired right of way trails.

Community Center

Continue to maintain and upgrade MICEC facilities to ensure it is safe and attractive for residents and competitive as regional facility.



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Appendices

14. Appendices

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Appendix 1: Mercer Island Parks and Facilities Inventory

OBJECTID	MAP No	LOCATION	FEATURE TYPE	FEATURE LABEL	LANDOWNERS	MAINTENANCE	area ft
133	6	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	22455
134	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	53391
55	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Court	Basketball Courts	WA State	City of Mercer Island	8959
56	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Court	Tennis Courts	WA State	City of Mercer Island	22906
51	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	WA State	City of Mercer Island	17094
57	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	WA State	City of Mercer Island	18327
58	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	WA State	City of Mercer Island	2906
59	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	WA State	City of Mercer Island	3286
60	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	WA State	City of Mercer Island	3133
53	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Playfield	Playfield Area B	WA State	City of Mercer Island	91378
52	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Playfield	Playfield Area C	WA State	City of Mercer Island	82493
54	7	Aubrey Davis Park	Playground	Children's Playground	WA State	City of Mercer Island	3604
62	8	Aubrey Davis Park	Playfield	Feroglia Fields Area A	WA State	City of Mercer Island	150737
64	8	Aubrey Davis Park	Playground	Children's Playground	WA State	City of Mercer Island	1679
61	8	Aubrey Davis Park	Restroom	Restroom	WA State	City of Mercer Island	1702
63	8	Aubrey Davis Park	Shelter	Picnic Shelter	WA State	City of Mercer Island	998
135	9	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	17583
137	9	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	8902
138	9	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	8080
113	9	Aubrey Davis Park	Garden	Aljoya Courtyard	WA State	Private	5261
65	9	Aubrey Davis Park	Other	Sculpture Park	WA State	City of Mercer Island	93894
136	10	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	2457
149	10	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	6056
150	10	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	34561
151	12	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	22144
152	13	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	15843
153	14	Aubrey Davis Park	Bike Path	bike path	WA State	City of Mercer Island	3907
114	14	Aubrey Davis Park	Docks	dock	WA State	City of Mercer Island	1483
115	14	Aubrey Davis Park	Other	pier	WA State	City of Mercer Island	441
116	14	Aubrey Davis Park	Parking Lot	parking	WA State	City of Mercer Island	86126
155	27	Clarke Beach Park	Bulkhead	bulkhead	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1464
156	27	Clarke Beach Park	Bulkhead	bulkhead	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1500
96	27	Clarke Beach Park	Docks	Dock	Needs More Research	City of Mercer Island	1555

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97	27	Clarke Beach Park	Docks	Fishing Pier	Needs More Research	City of Mercer Island	796
74	27	Clarke Beach Park	Open Water	Swimming Area	Needs More Research	City of Mercer Island	11139
94	27	Clarke Beach Park	Open Water	Swimming Area	Needs More Research	City of Mercer Island	6727
98	27	Clarke Beach Park	Other	Picnic Area	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	7808
154	27	Clarke Beach Park	Parking Lot	parking lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	33665
95	27	Clarke Beach Park	Restroom	Restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1318
101	22	Ellis Pond	Boardwalk	Boardwalk	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1675
141	22	Ellis Pond	Open Water	Ellis Pond	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	28666
131	16	First Hill Park	Court	basketball	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	699
102	16	First Hill Park	Playground	Playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	4196
103	12	Gallagher Hill OS	Bridge	Bridge	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	304
109	25	Groveland Beach Park	Bulkhead	Bulkhead	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	3373
106	25	Groveland Beach Park	Court	Volleyball Court	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	2187
107	25	Groveland Beach Park	Docks	Dock	Needs More Research	City of Mercer Island	2696
108	25	Groveland Beach Park	Docks	Dock	Needs More Research	City of Mercer Island	773
75	25	Groveland Beach Park	Open Water	Swimming Area	Needs More Research	City of Mercer Island	16171
110	25	Groveland Beach Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	17059
104	25	Groveland Beach Park	Playground	Playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	3427
105	25	Groveland Beach Park	Restroom	Restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1549
140	18	Homestead Park	Court	basketball	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	6136
86	18	Homestead Park	Court	Tennis Courts	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	27645
112	18	Homestead Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	22214
85	18	Homestead Park	Playfield	Baseball Fields	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	112009
88	18	Homestead Park	Playground	Playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	3312
111	18	Homestead Park	Restroom	Restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1369
144	24	Island Crest Park	Bridge	bridge	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	305
92	24	Island Crest Park	Court	Tennis Court	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	14703
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143	24	Island Crest Park	Other	driveway	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	11884
119	24	Island Crest Park	Parking Lot	parking lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	33895
120	24	Island Crest Park	Parking Lot	parking lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	7039
91	24	Island Crest Park	Playfield	Baseball Field	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	223002
142	24	Island Crest Park	Playfield	bull pen	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	3567

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93	24	Island Crest Park	Playground	Playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	17869
117	24	Island Crest Park	Restroom	restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	3535
121	24	Island Crest Park	Restroom	restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	326
40	1	Luther Burbank Park	Annotation Only	Main Entrance	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1
41	1	Luther Burbank Park	Annotation Only	South Entrance	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1
38	1	Luther Burbank Park	Art	Earth Sculpture "The Sou	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	16187
122	1	Luther Burbank Park	Building	Lifeguard Station	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	330
161	1	Luther Burbank Park	Docks	fishing pier	WA State	City of Mercer Island	1360
167	1	Luther Burbank Park	Docks	fishing pier	WA State	City of Mercer Island	126
36	1	Luther Burbank Park	Other	Swim Beach	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	2951
42	1	Luther Burbank Park	Parking Lot	South Lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	30378
35	1	Luther Burbank Park	Playfield	Area C	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	24991
33	1	Luther Burbank Park	Playfield	The Meadow Area B	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	147427
37	1	Luther Burbank Park	Restroom	Restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	332
139	2	Luther Burbank Park	Annotation Only	art	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	5
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25	2	Luther Burbank Park	Building	Administration Building	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	3749
34	2	Luther Burbank Park	Building	Boiler Room	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1514
32	2	Luther Burbank Park	Building	Caretaker's House	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1391
27	2	Luther Burbank Park	Court	Tennis Courts	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	19320
162	2	Luther Burbank Park	Docks	day moorage	WA State	City of Mercer Island	6705
163	2	Luther Burbank Park	Docks	floating dock	WA State	City of Mercer Island	488
164	2	Luther Burbank Park	Docks	piling	WA State	City of Mercer Island	2
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22	2	Luther Burbank Park	Garden	Pea Patch	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	48429
158	2	Luther Burbank Park	Open Water	north wetland	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	7235
159	2	Luther Burbank Park	Open Water	north wetland	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	13434
23	2	Luther Burbank Park	Open Water	Wallace Pond	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	5195
68	2	Luther Burbank Park	Other	Amphitheater	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	10119
24	2	Luther Burbank Park	Parking Lot	North Lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	53323
19	2	Luther Burbank Park	Playfield	Off_Leash Dog Area	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	50755
39	2	Luther Burbank Park	Playfield	Snyder's Knoll Area A	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	44634

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30	2	Luther Burbank Park	Playground	Swing Set	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1174
43	2	Luther Burbank Park	Plaza	Waterfront Plaza	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	4815
28	2	Luther Burbank Park	Restroom	Restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	465
157	2	Luther Burbank Park	Restroom	restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	589
26	2	Luther Burbank Park	Shelter	covered walkway	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1804
18	17	Luther Burbank Park	Other	Dairy Barn Ruins	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	7671
14	17	Mercerdale Park	Annotation Only	Trailhead	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1
128	17	Mercerdale Park	Art	art	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	231
129	17	Mercerdale Park	Art	art	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	145
130	17	Mercerdale Park	Art	art	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	19
12	17	Mercerdale Park	Building	Recycling Center	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1875
16	17	Mercerdale Park	Building	Thrift Shop	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	4429
11	17	Mercerdale Park	Court	Skate Park	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	7611
15	17	Mercerdale Park	Garden	Native Garden	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	14350
17	17	Mercerdale Park	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	15489
13	17	Mercerdale Park	Playground	Children's Playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	7017
10	17	Mercerdale Park	Plaza	Plaza	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	10137
99	17	Mercerdale Park	Restroom	Restroom	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	572
169	3	MI Community and Events Center	Building	garbage	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	237
31	3	MI Community and Events Center	Building	MICEC	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	42535
67	3	MI Community and Events Center	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	70677
170	3	MI Community and Events Center	Playground	playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1348
171	3	MI Community and Events Center	Playground	playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	1699
168	3	MI Community and Events Center	Plaza	entry plaza	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	9990
127	26	Pioneer Park	Bridge	bridge	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	406
125	5	Roanoke Park	Court	Tennis Court	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	8003
126	5	Roanoke Park	Playground	playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	4524
124	15	Secret Park	Playground	playground	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	2111
132	15	Slater Park	Art	art	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	42
123	15	Slater Park	Parking Lot	parking lot	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	3761
7	29	South Mercer Playfields	Building	Batting Cage	School District	City of Mercer Island	2880
9	29	South Mercer Playfields	Parking Lot	Parking Lot	School District	City of Mercer Island	32240

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2	29	South Mercer Playfields	Playfield	Ballfield #3	School District	City of Mercer Island	39151
4	29	South Mercer Playfields	Playfield	Ballfield #4	School District	City of Mercer Island	110798
147	29	South Mercer Playfields	Playfield	bull pen	School District	City of Mercer Island	947
148	29	South Mercer Playfields	Playfield	bull pen	School District	City of Mercer Island	897
145	29	South Mercer Playfields	Playfield	sunken field	School District	City of Mercer Island	60684
5	29	South Mercer Playfields	Playfield	Track & Football Field	School District	City of Mercer Island	146817
8	29	South Mercer Playfields	Playground	Playground	School District	City of Mercer Island	12571
146	29	South Mercer Playfields	Plaza	plaza	School District	City of Mercer Island	14180
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46		Town Center	Building	Fire Station 92	City of Mercer Island	City of Mercer Island	4608

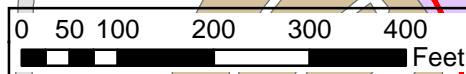
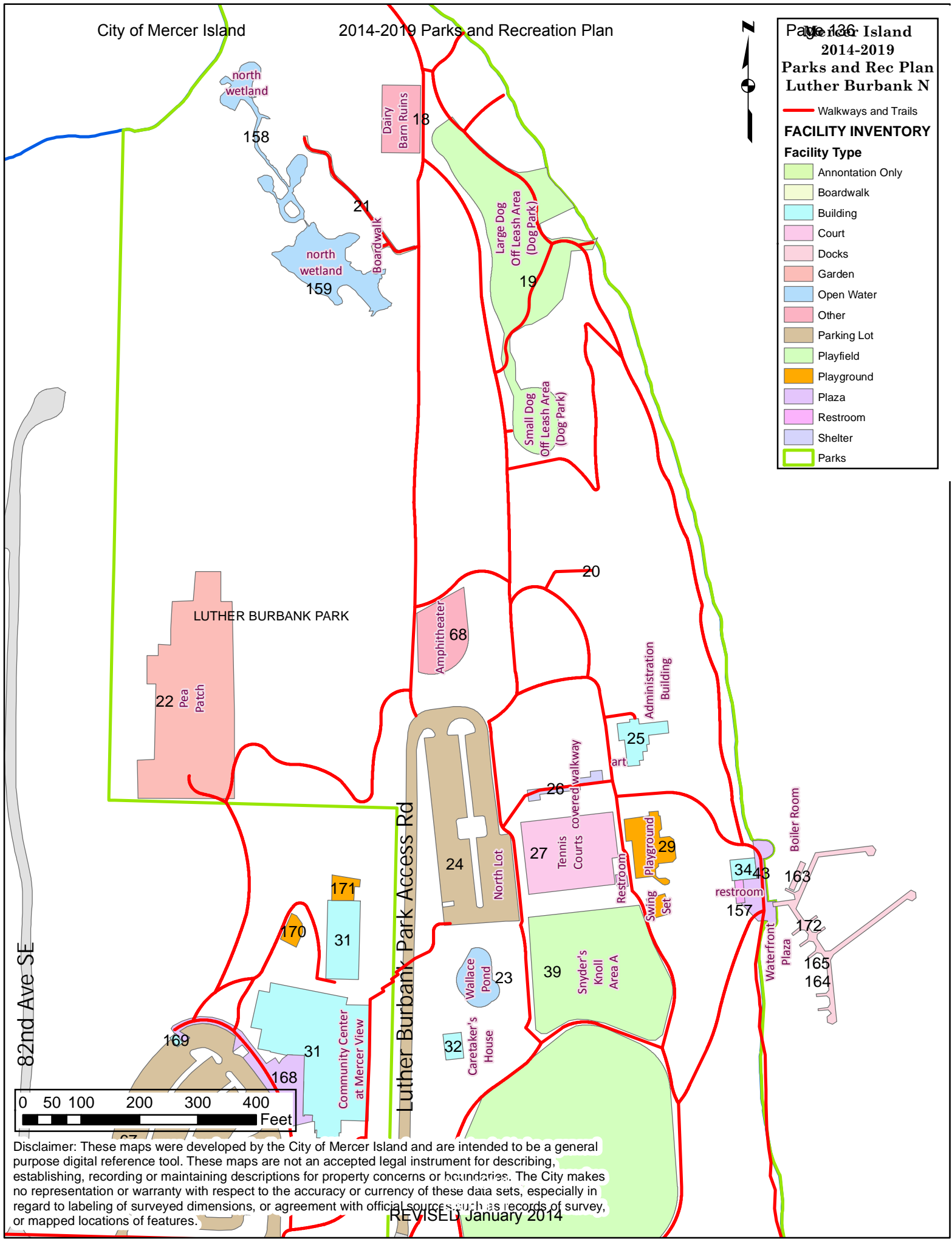


— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Annotation Only
- Boardwalk
- Building
- Court
- Docks
- Garden
- Open Water
- Other
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Playground
- Plaza
- Restroom
- Shelter
- Parks



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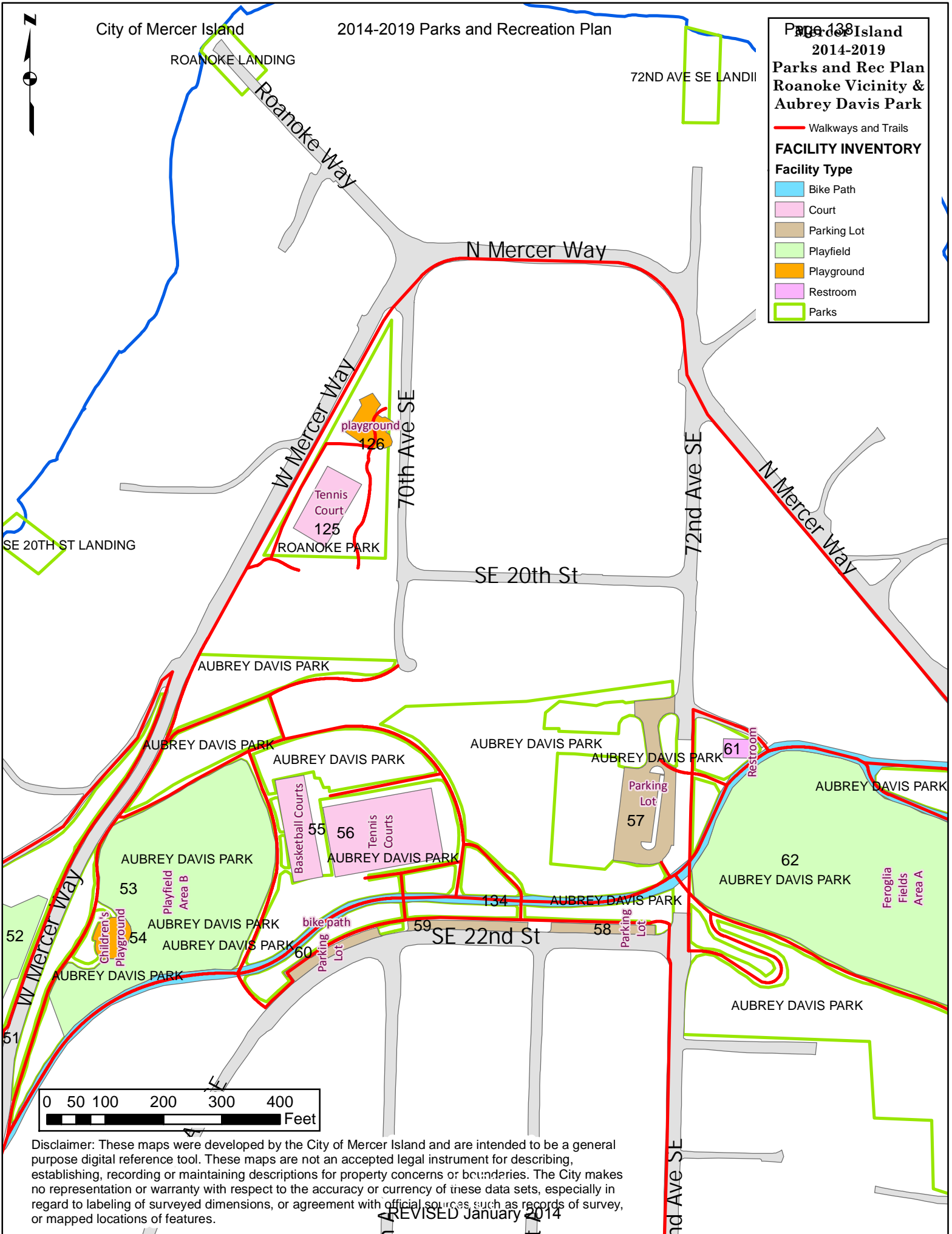
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— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

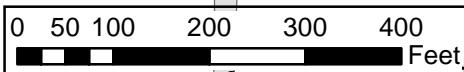
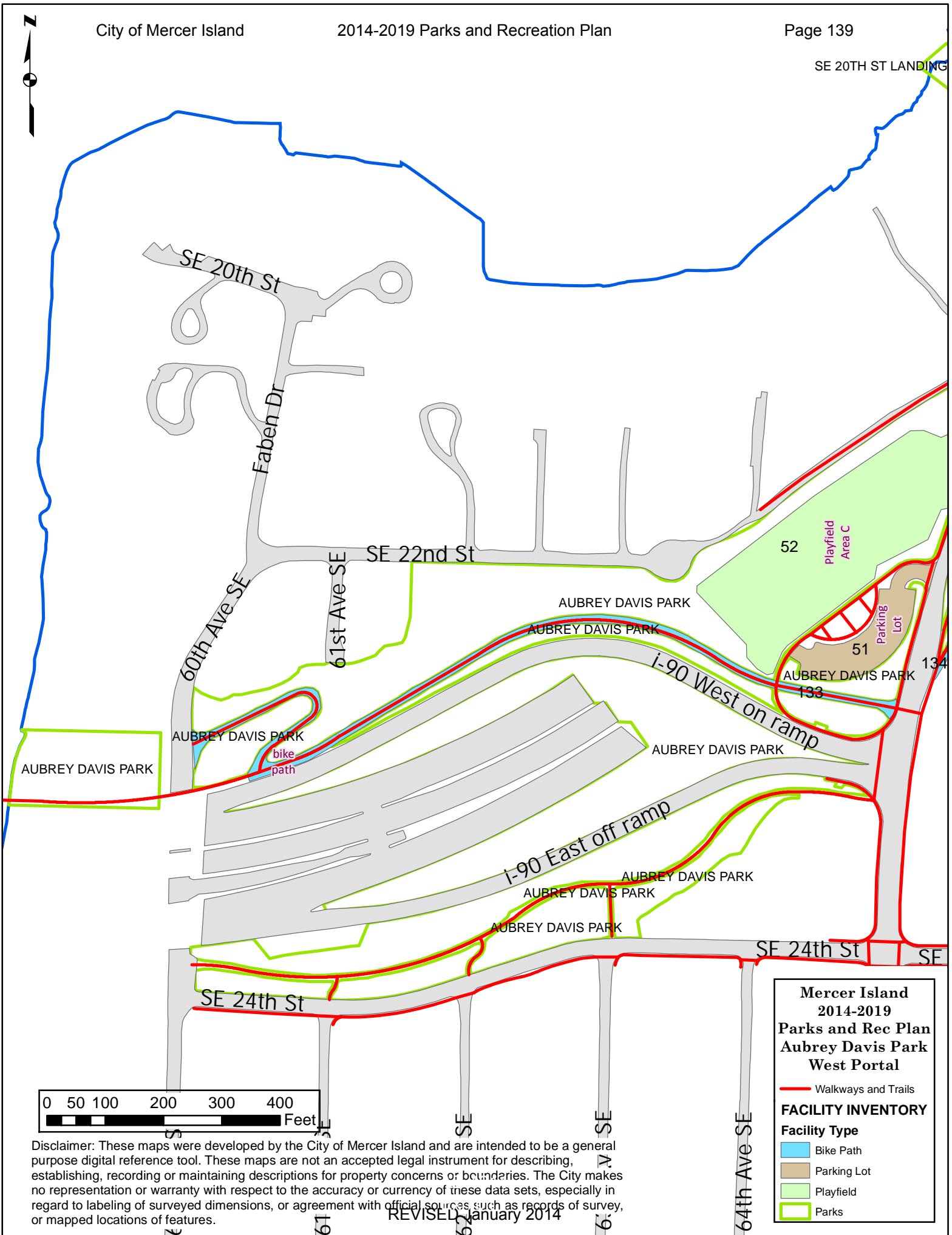
- Bike Path
- Court
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Playground
- Restroom
- Parks



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SE 20TH ST LANDING



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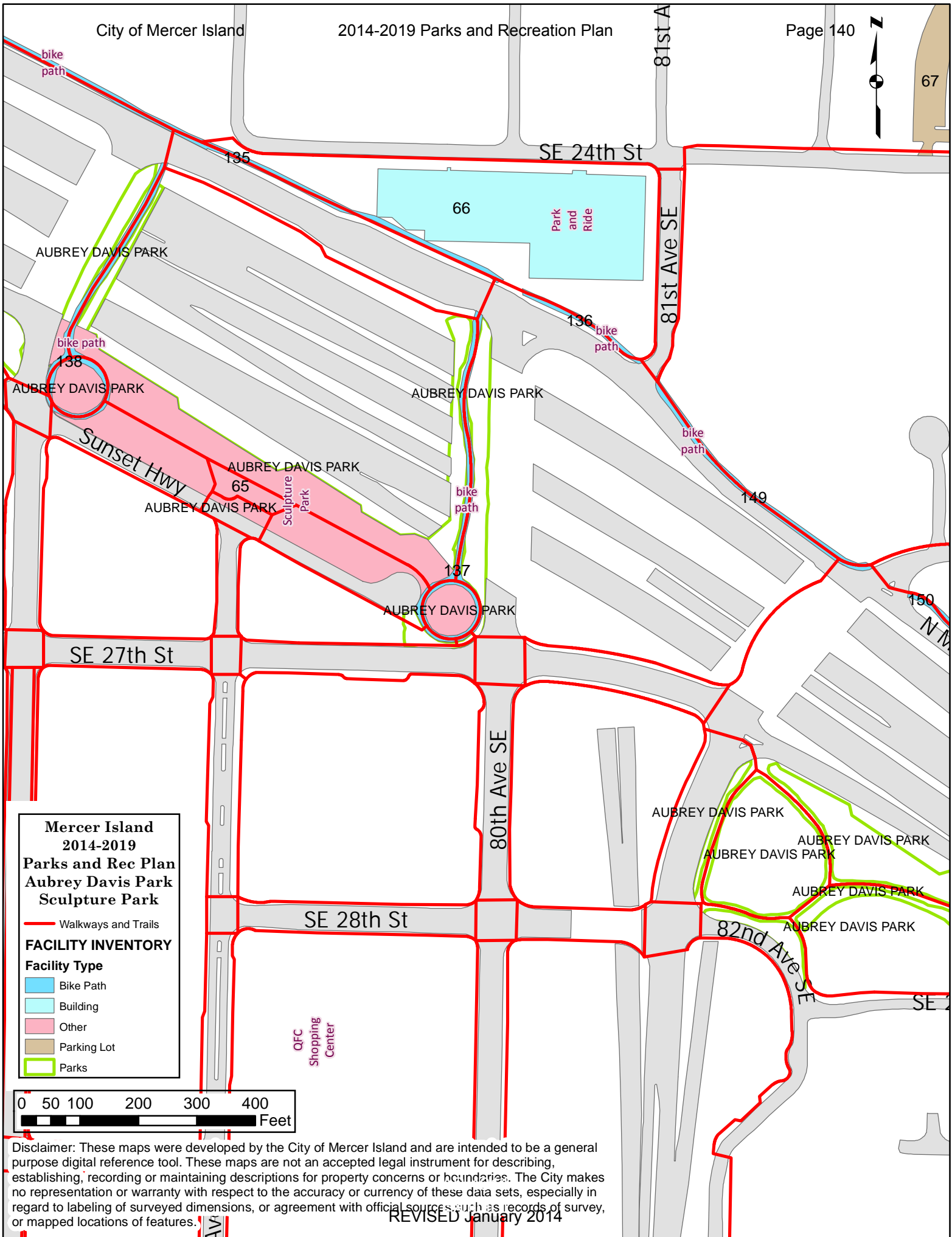
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Parks and Rec Plan
Aubrey Davis Park
West Portal**

- Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Bike Path
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Parks



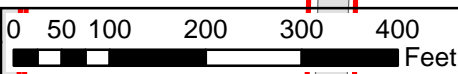
**Mercer Island
2014-2019
Parks and Rec Plan
Aubrey Davis Park
Sculpture Park**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Bike Path
- Building
- Other
- Parking Lot
- Parks



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42 LUTHER BURBANK PARK

AUBREY DAVIS PARK

AUBREY DAVIS PARK

28th St

N Mercer Way

Mercer Park Ln *

150

8000 BLK

SE 29th St

84th Ave SE

SE 30th St

SE 30th Pl

UPPER LUTHER BURBANK PARK

SE 32nd St

84th Ave SE

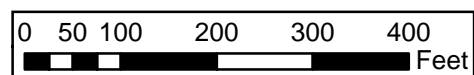
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Parks and Rec Plan
Aubrey Davis Park
& Upper Luther B.P.**

- Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

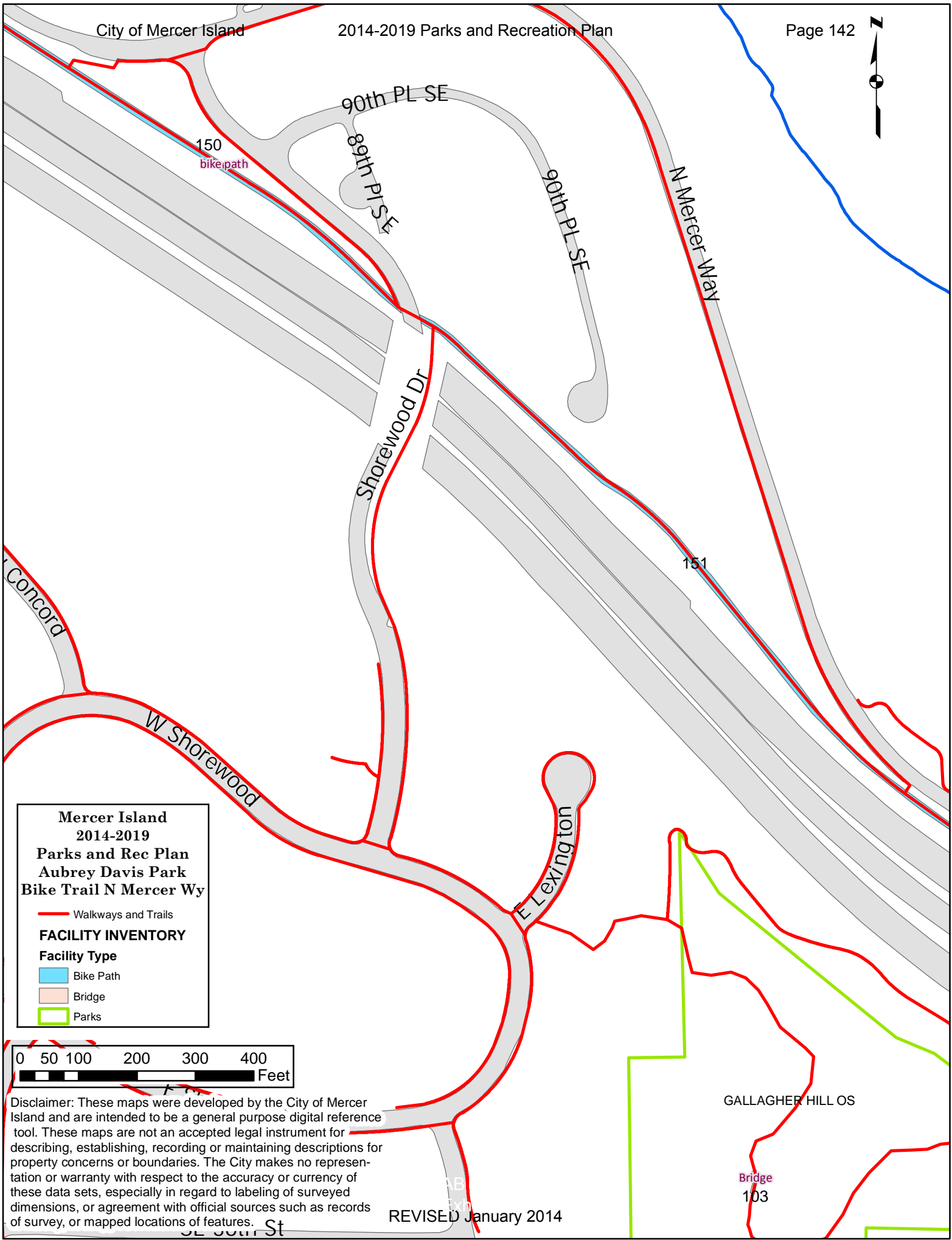
Facility Type

- Bike Path
- Parking Lot
- Parks



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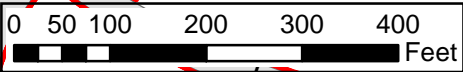
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FACILITY INVENTORY

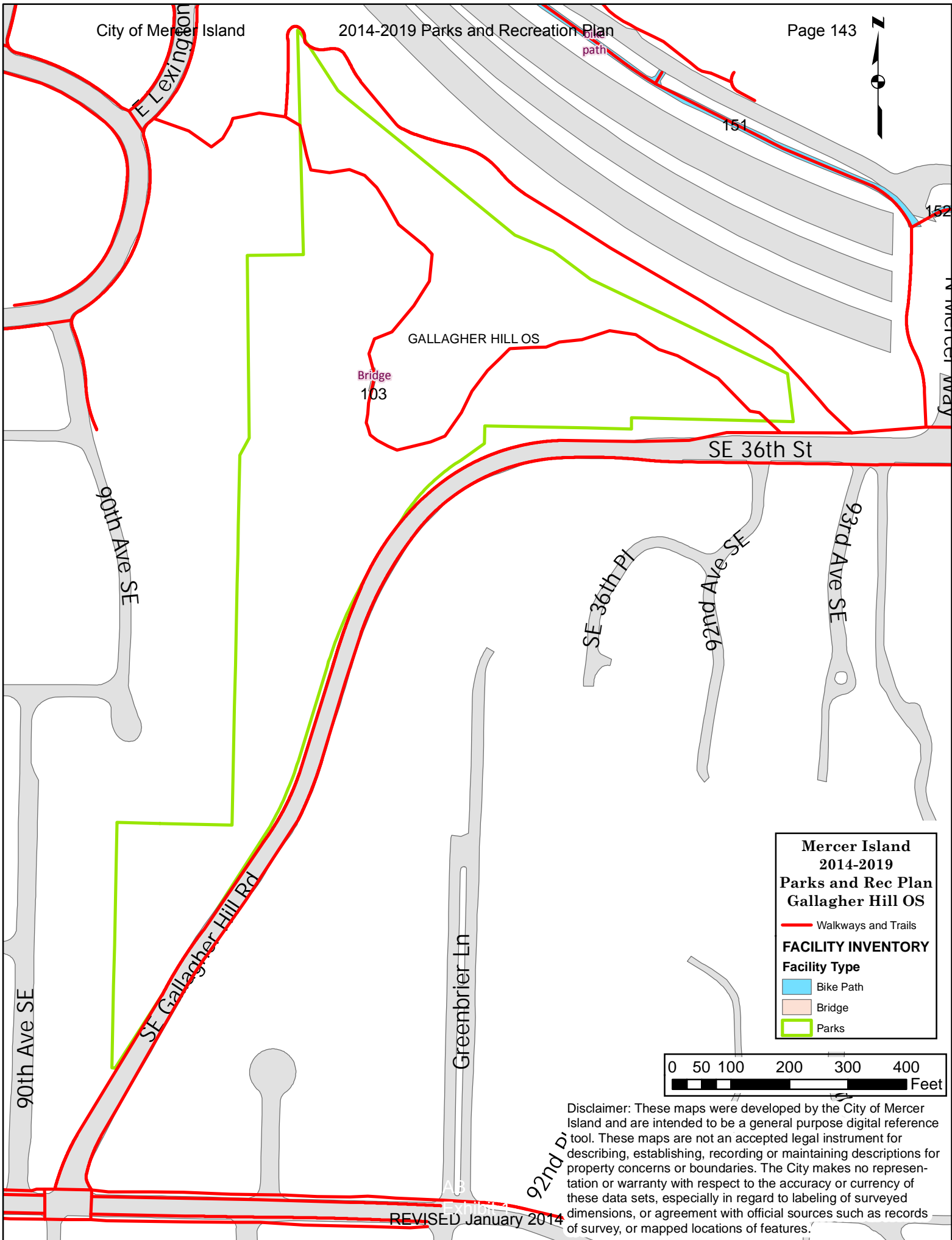
Facility Type

- Bike Path
- Bridge
- Parks



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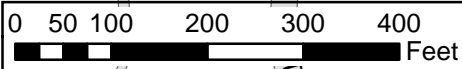
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Parks and Rec Plan
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— Walkways and Trails

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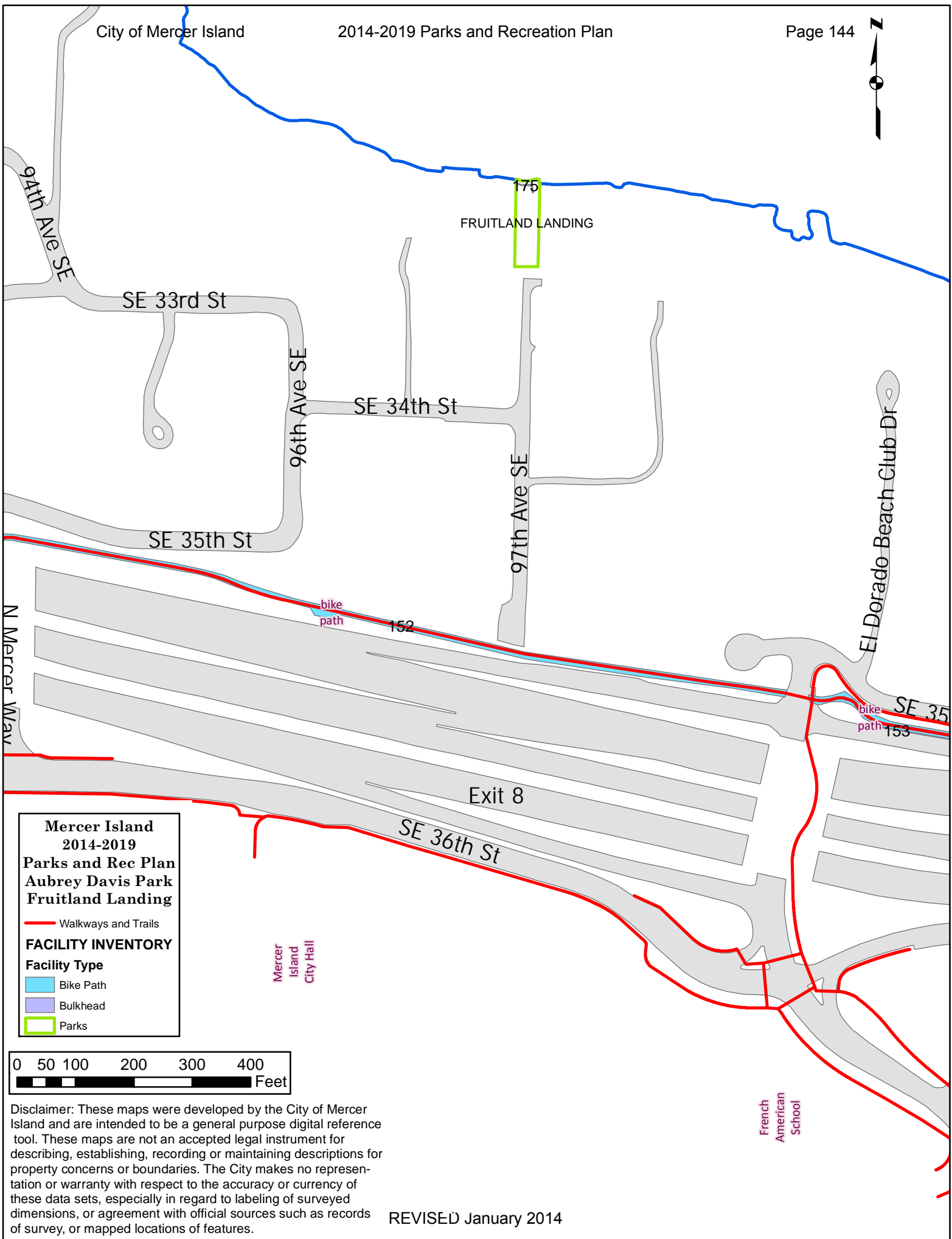
Facility Type

- █ Bike Path
- █ Bridge
- █ Parks



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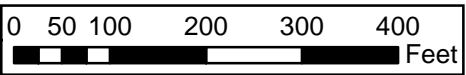
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Aubrey Davis Park
Fruitland Landing**

— Walkways and Trails

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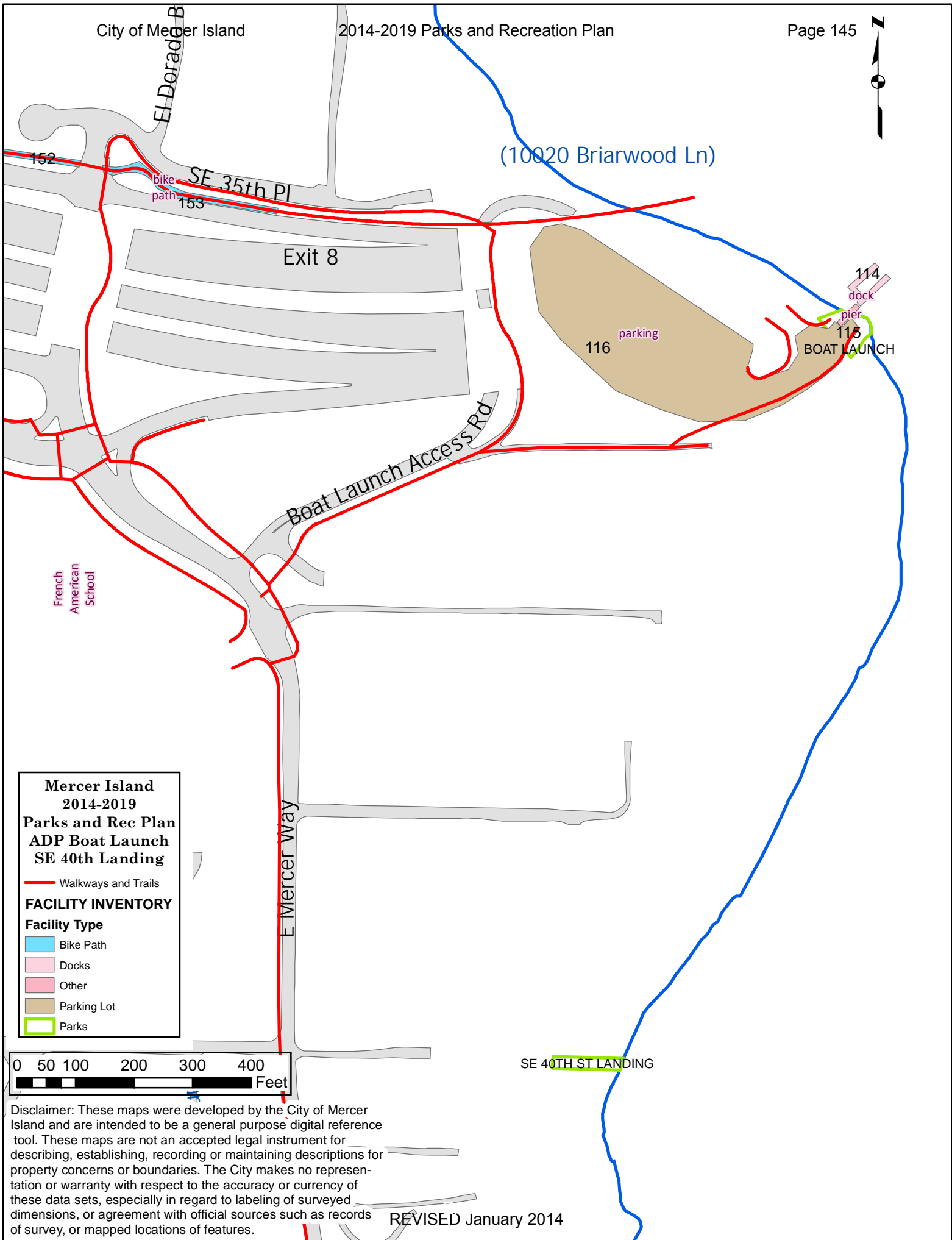
Facility Type

- Bike Path
- Bulkhead
- Parks



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(10020 Briarwood Ln)

bike path
SE 35th Pl

Exit 8

116 parking

114 dock

115 pier

BOAT LAUNCH

Boat Launch Access Rd

French American School

E Mercer Way

SE 40TH ST LANDING

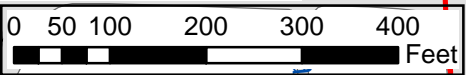
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SE 40th Landing**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

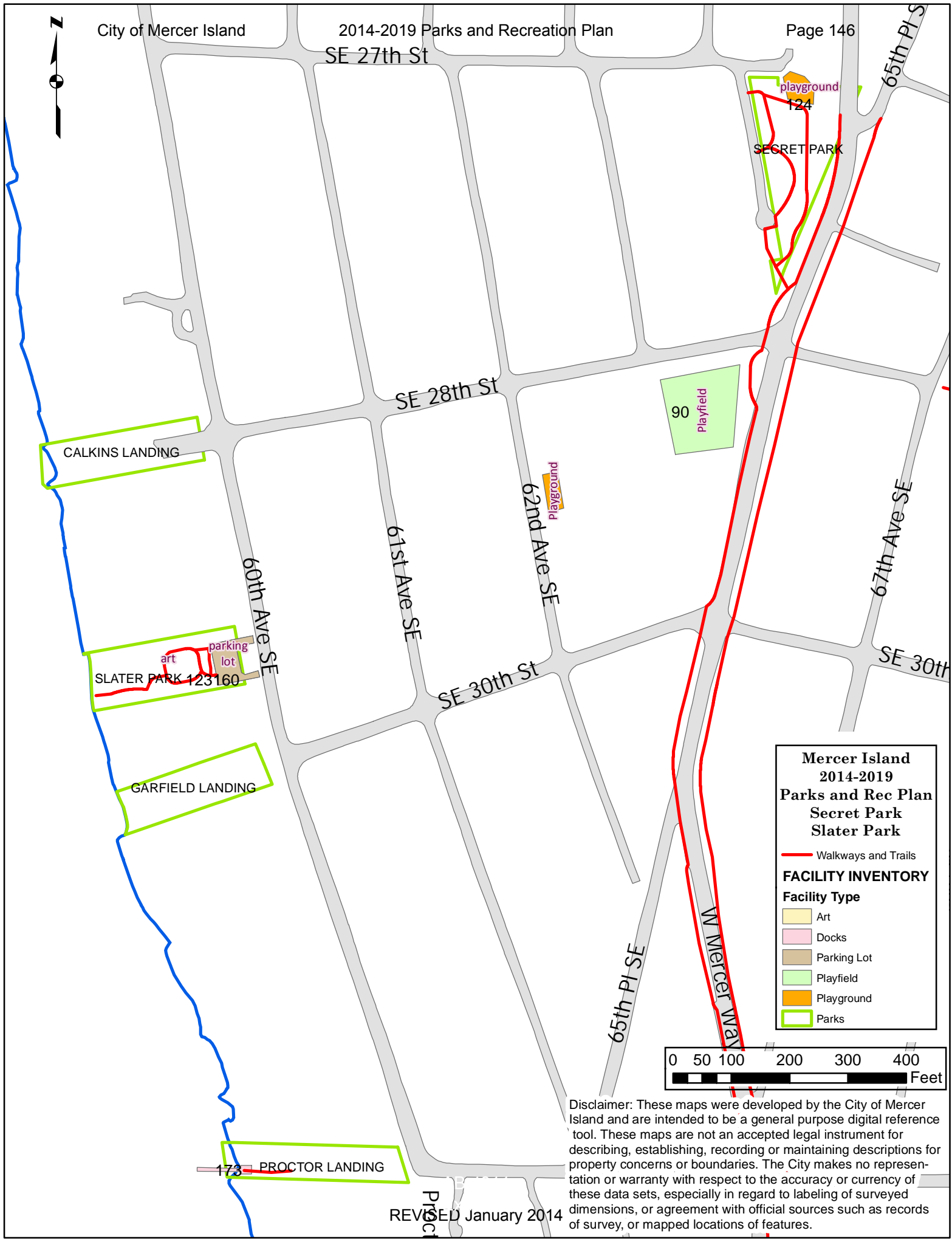
Facility Type

- Bike Path
- Docks
- Other
- Parking Lot
- Parks



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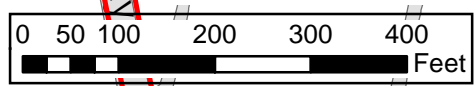
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Secret Park
Slater Park**

— Walkways and Trails

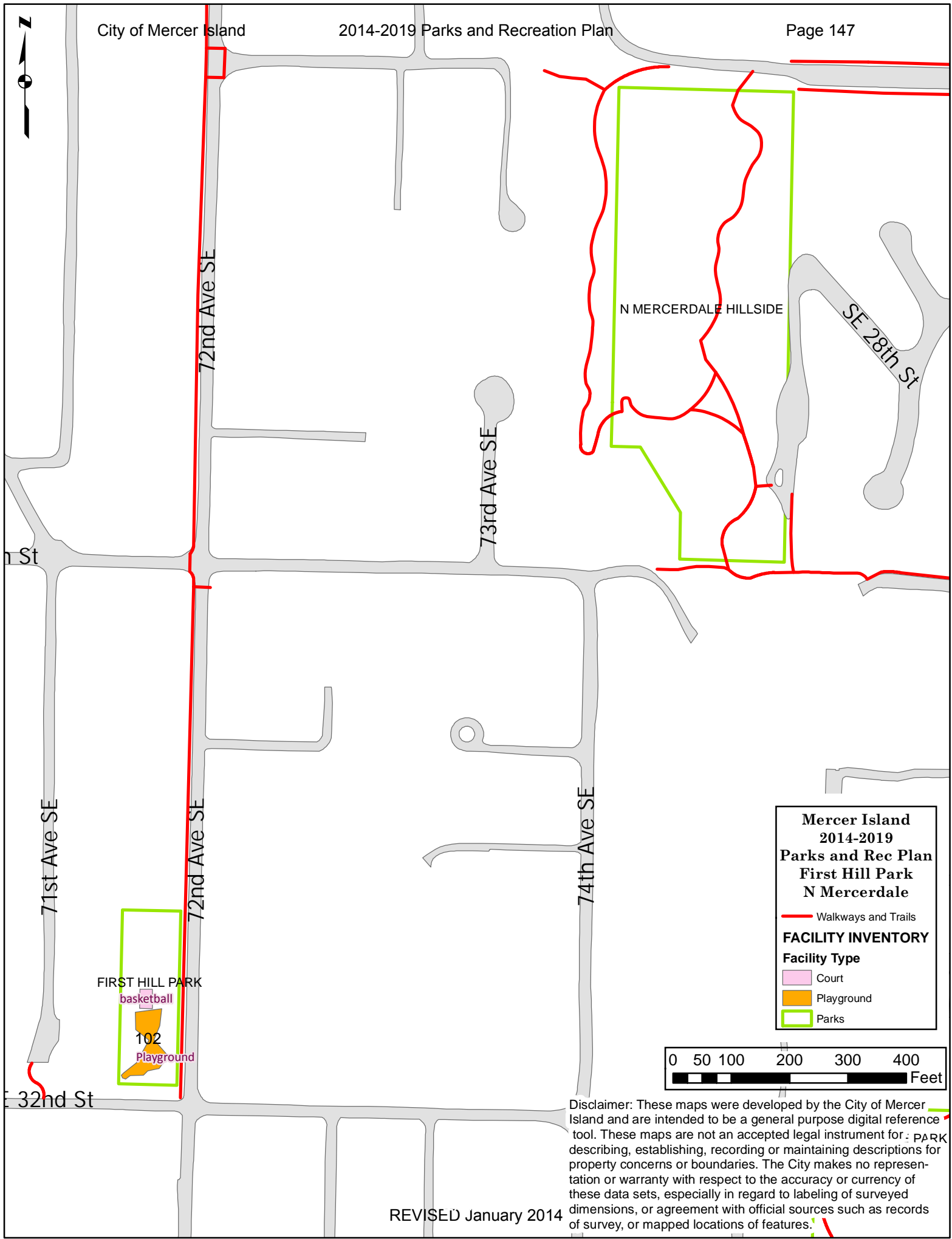
FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Art
- Docks
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Playground
- Parks



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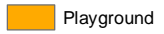



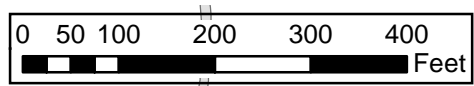
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N Mercerdale**

— Walkways and Trails

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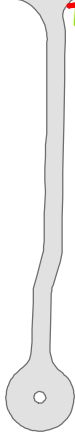
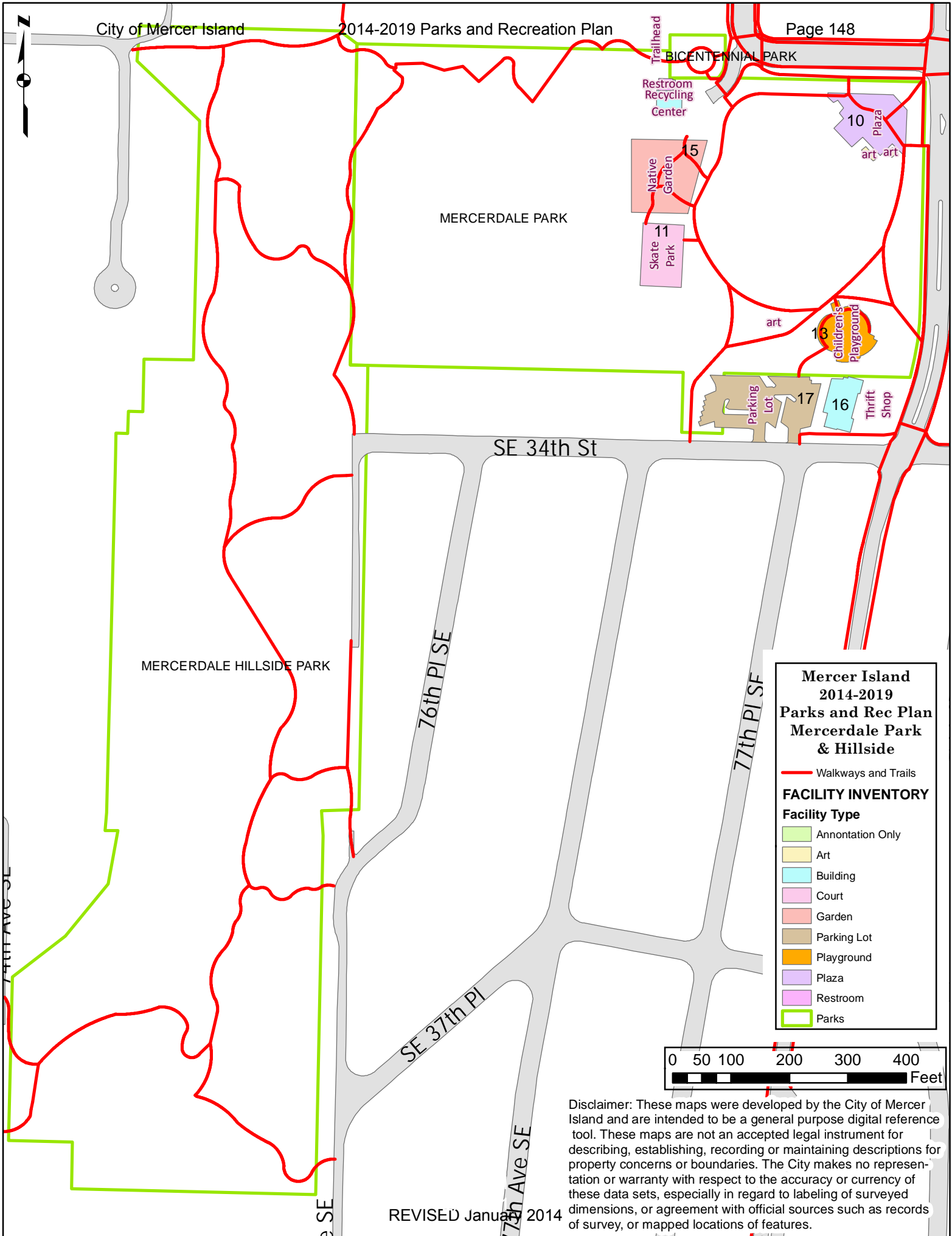
Facility Type

-  Court
-  Playground
-  Parks



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Trailhead
Restroom
Recycling
Center

BICENTENNIAL PARK

10 Plaza
art-art

15 Native
Garden

11 Skate
Park

art

13 Children's
Playground

17 Parking
Lot

16 Thrift
Shop

MERCERDALE PARK

MERCERDALE HILLSIDE PARK

SE 34th St

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77th Pl SE

SE 37th Pl

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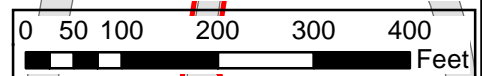
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& Hillside**

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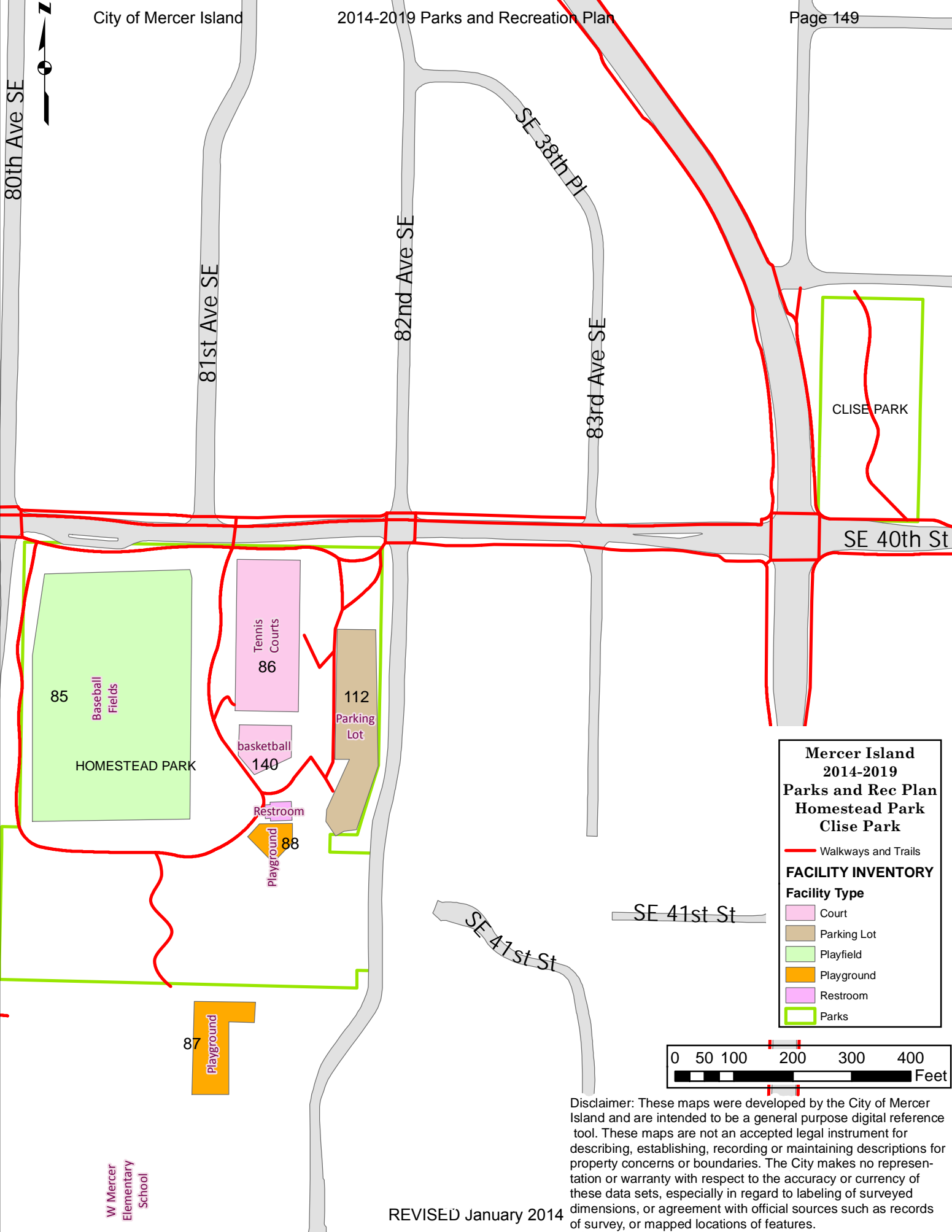
FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Annotaton Only
- Art
- Building
- Court
- Garden
- Parking Lot
- Playground
- Plaza
- Restroom
- Parks



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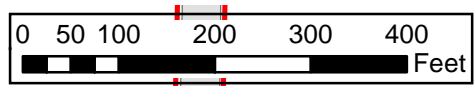
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Clise Park**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

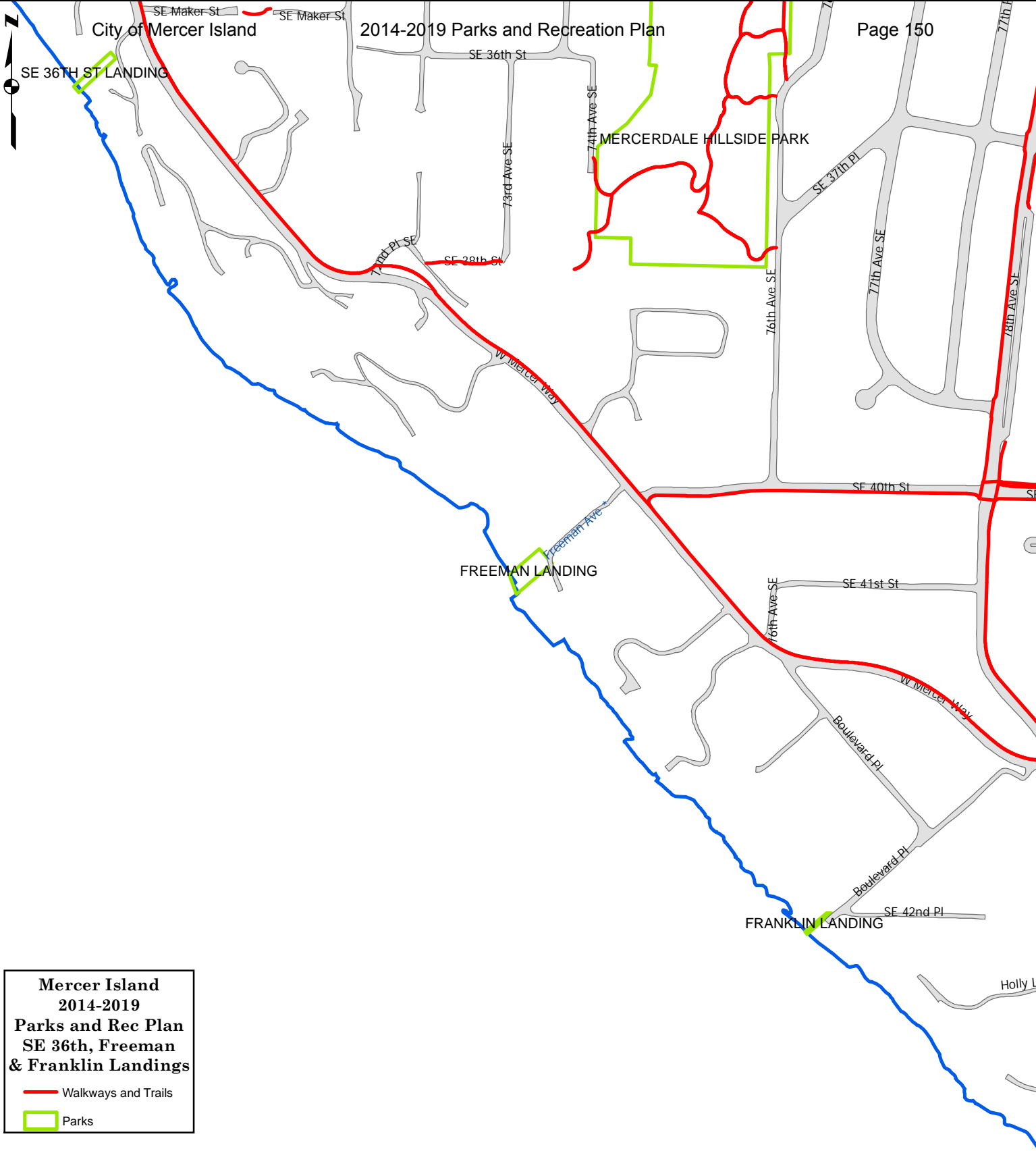
- Court
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Playground
- Restroom
- Parks



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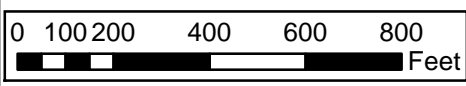
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Elementary
School



**Mercer Island
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Parks and Rec Plan
SE 36th, Freeman
& Franklin Landings**

— Walkways and Trails

▭ Parks



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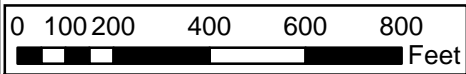
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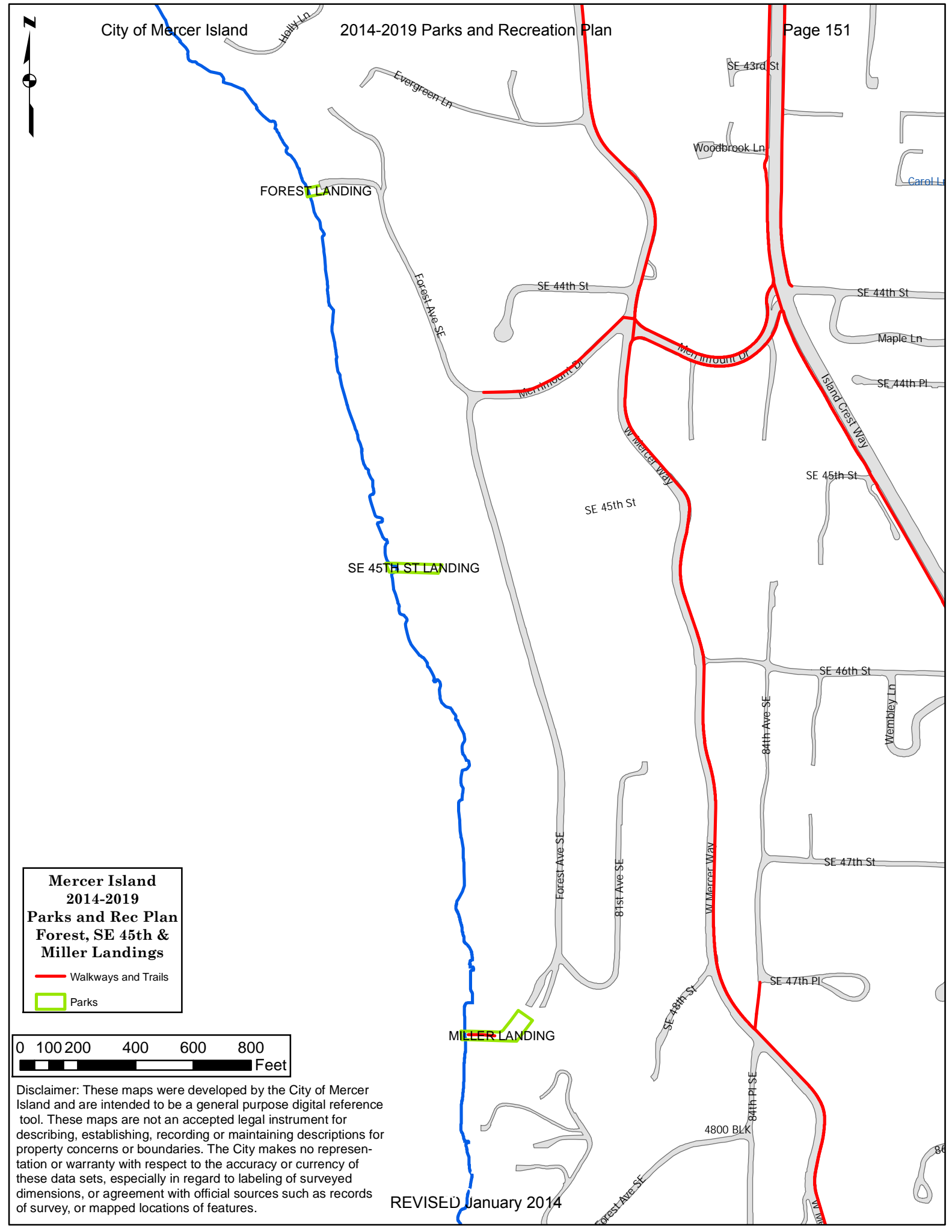
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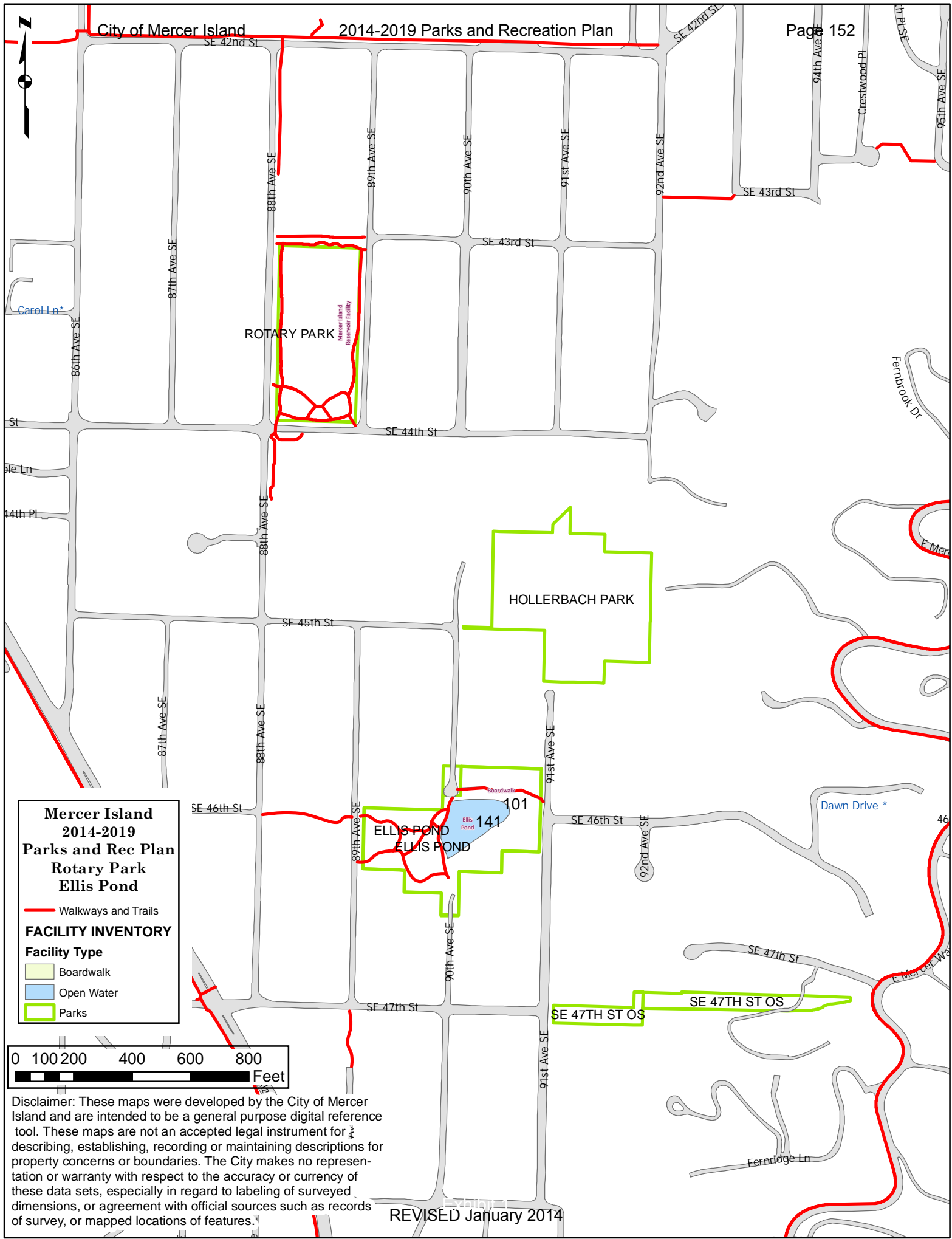
-  Walkways and Trails
-  Parks



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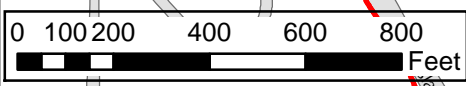
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Rotary Park
Ellis Pond**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

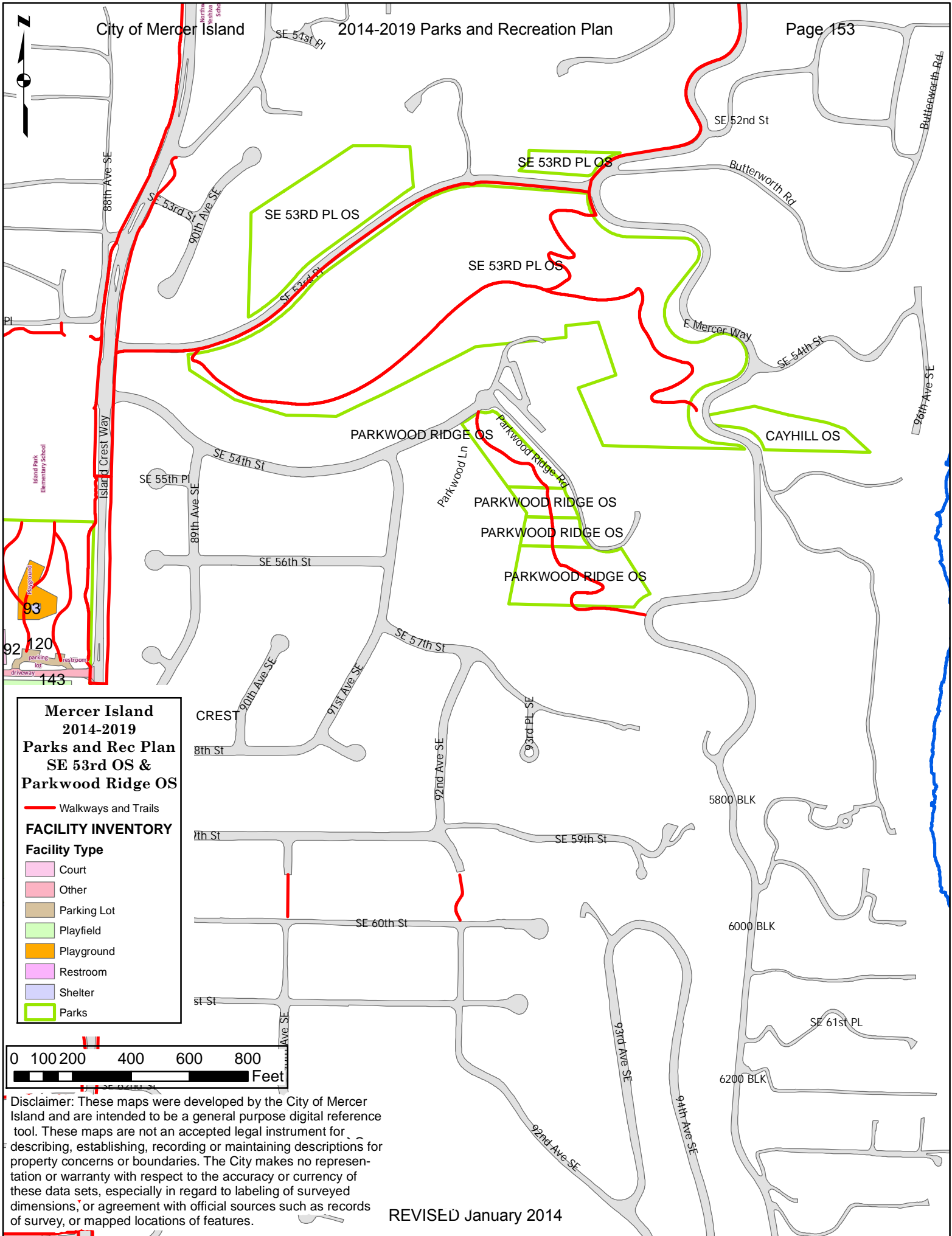
Facility Type

- Boardwalk
- Open Water
- Parks



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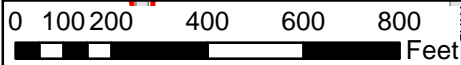
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2014-2019
Parks and Rec Plan
SE 53rd OS &
Parkwood Ridge OS**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

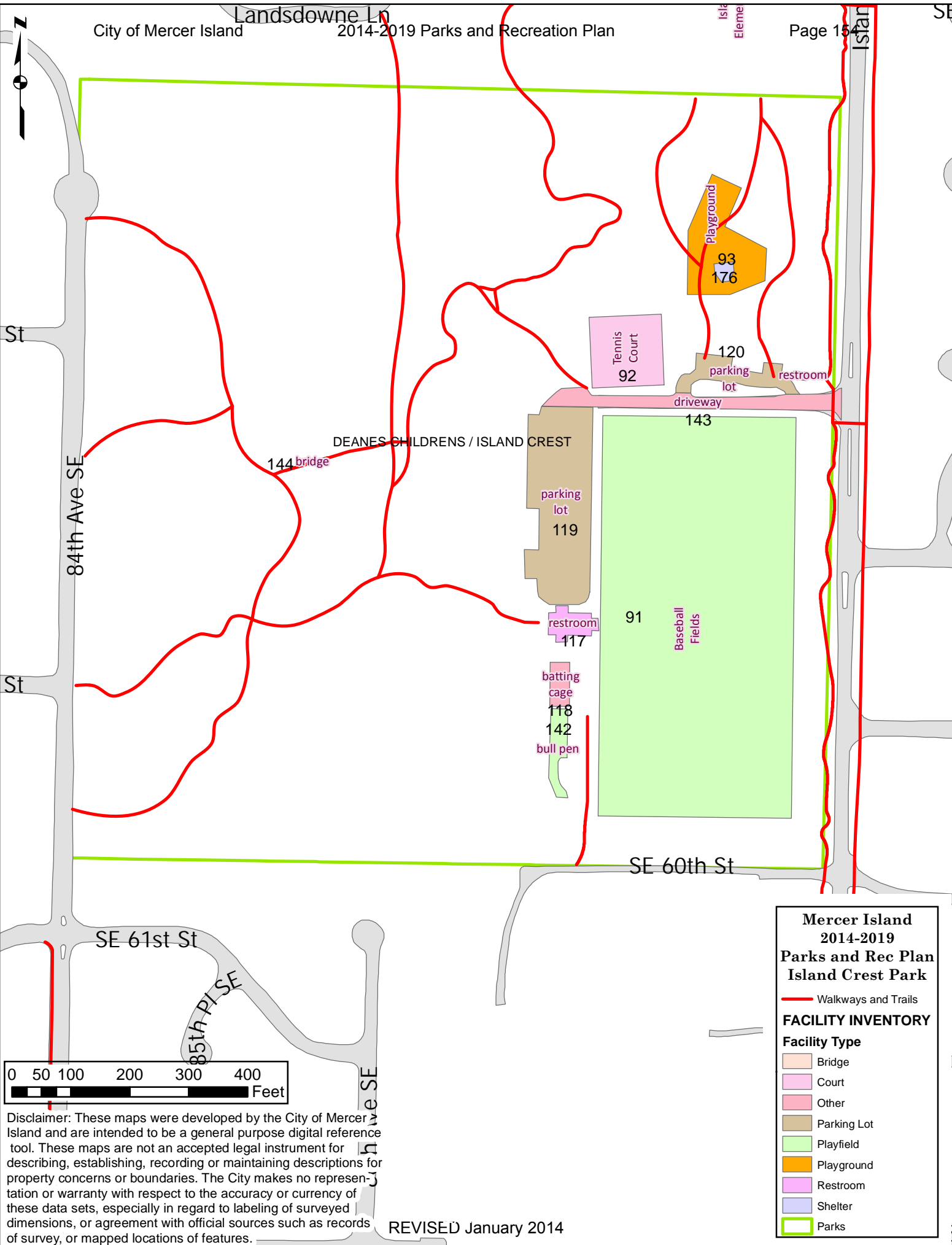
Facility Type

- Court
- Other
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Playground
- Restroom
- Shelter
- Parks



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**Mercer Island
2014-2019
Parks and Rec Plan
Island Crest Park**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Bridge
- Court
- Other
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Playground
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Brook Bay Rd

SE 56TH ST LANDING

108 Dock
 DockSwimming Area
 Bulkhead
 75
 109
 GROVELAND PARK
 Volleyball Court
 106
 107

Restroom
105

Playground
104

110
Parking Lot

SE 57th St

SE 58th St

SE 58th St

Mitchell St

SE 59th St

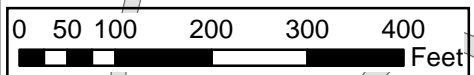
Northbrook Ln

SE 60th St

W Mercer Way

Tillicum Ln *

6100 BLK



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**Mercer Island
2014-2019
Parks and Rec Plan
Groveland Beach**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Bulkhead
- Court
- Docks
- Open Water
- Parking Lot
- Playground
- Restroom
- Parks



PIONEER PARK NW

PIONEER PARK NE

ENGSTROM OS

Hillside Ln *

SE 68th St

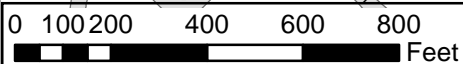
SE 68th

PIONEER PARK SE

WILDWOOD PARK

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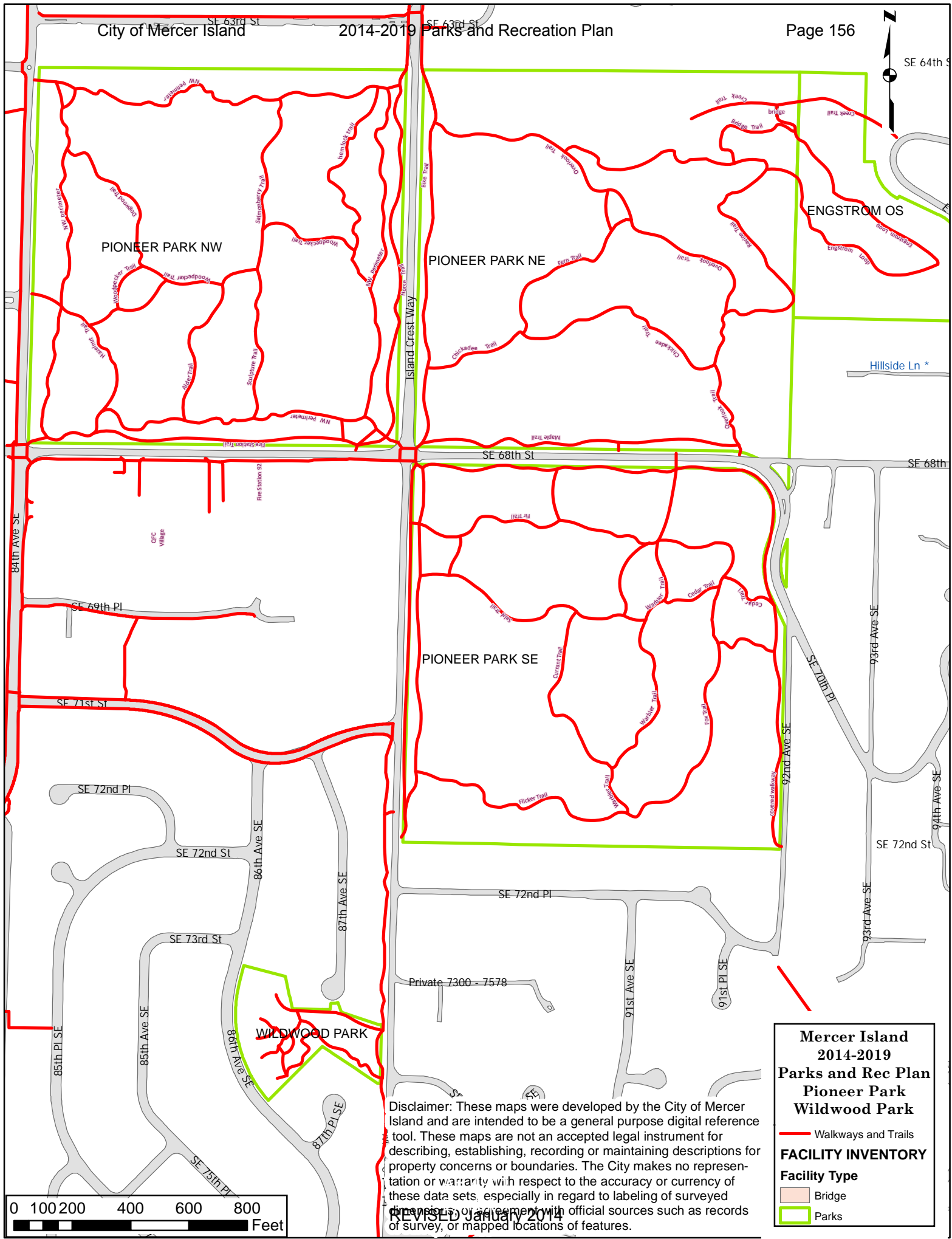
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Parks and Rec Plan
Pioneer Park
Wildwood Park**

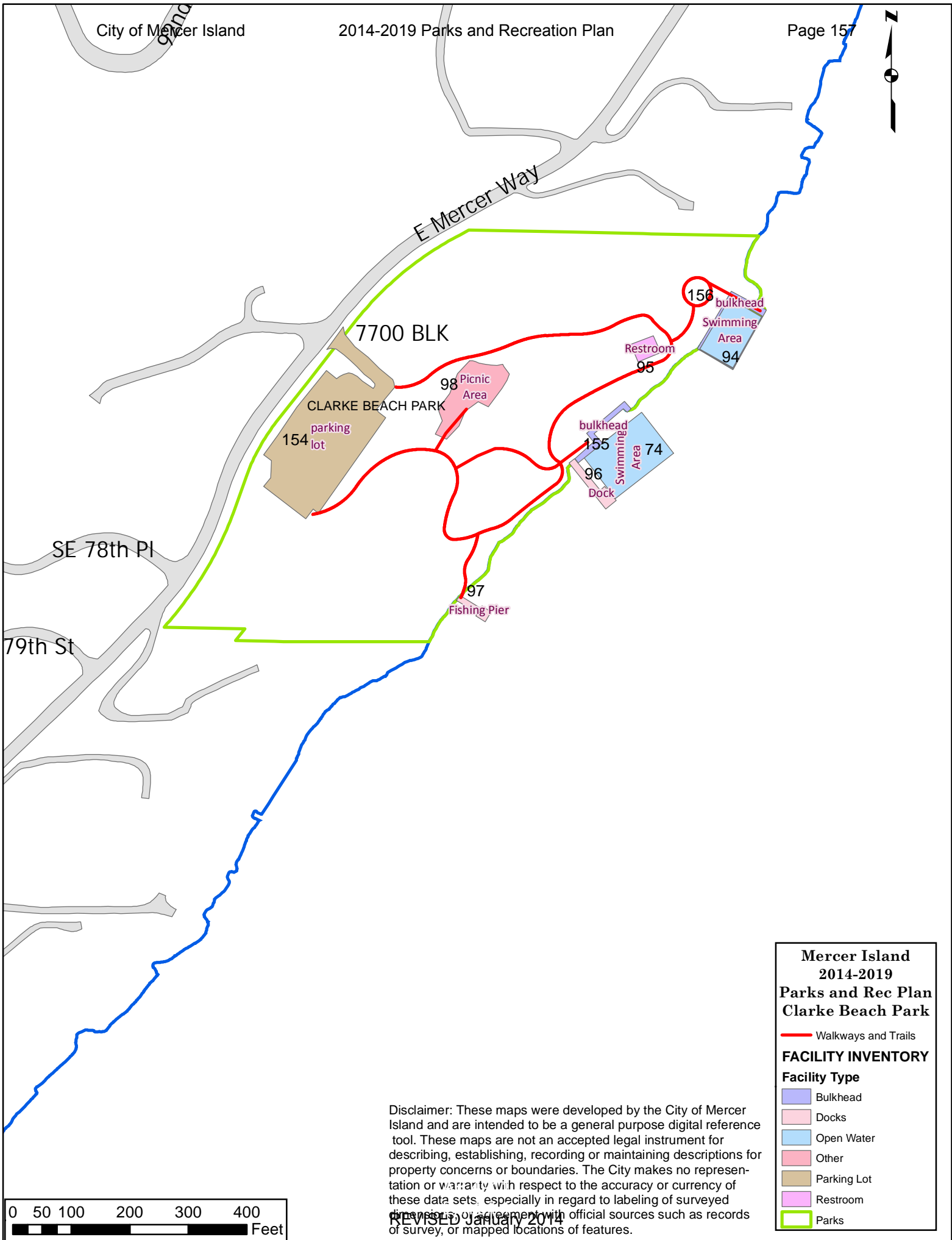
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Facility Type

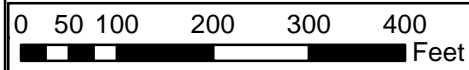
- Bridge
- Parks





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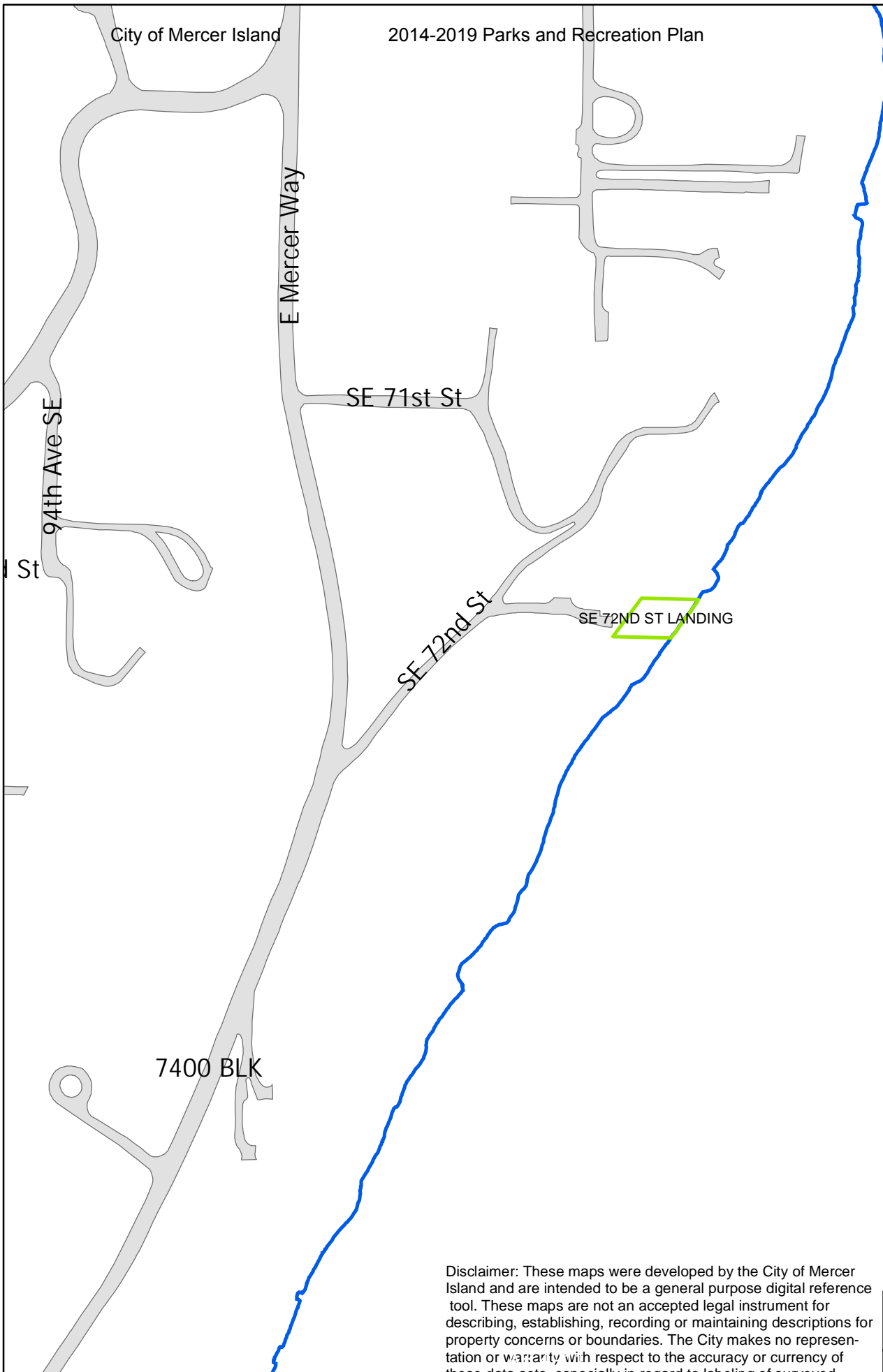
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Parks and Rec Plan
Clarke Beach Park**

— Walkways and Trails

FACILITY INVENTORY

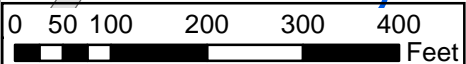
Facility Type

- Bulkhead
- Docks
- Open Water
- Other
- Parking Lot
- Restroom
- Parks



SE 72ND ST LANDING

7400 BLK



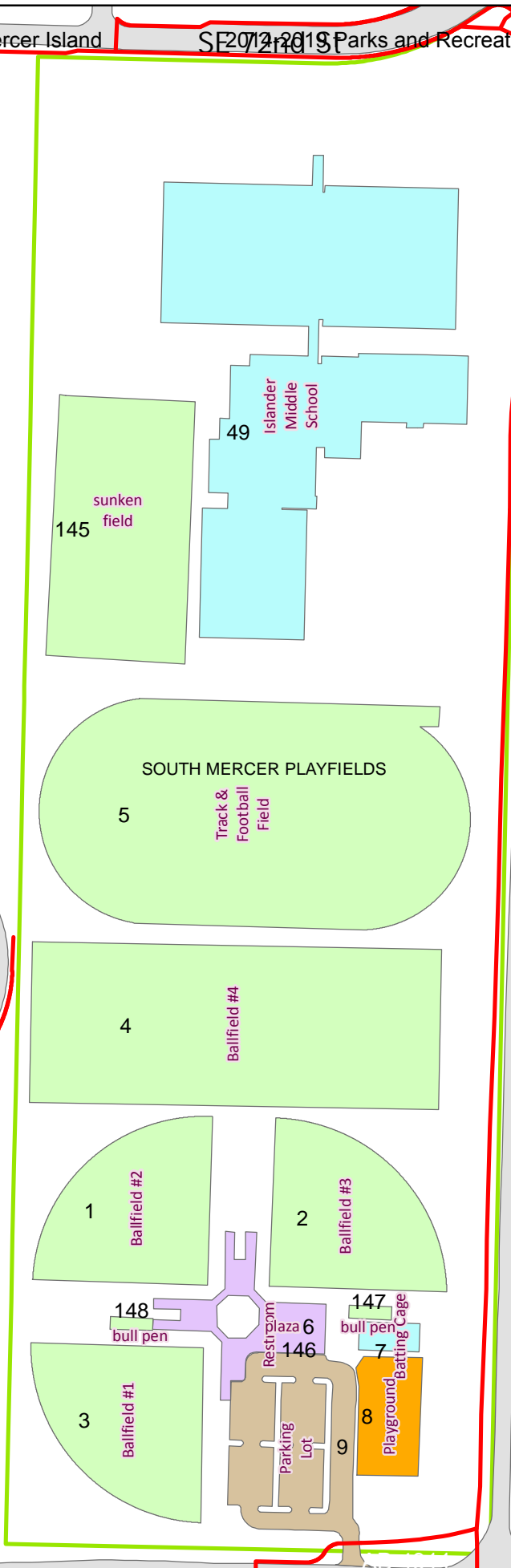
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72nd Street Landing

 Parks



3rd St
SE 74th Pl
81st Pl SE
St
SE 77th Pl



SE 7
85th Ave SE
85th Pl SE
85th Pl SE

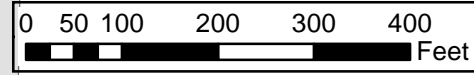
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S Mercer Playfield**

Walkways and Trails

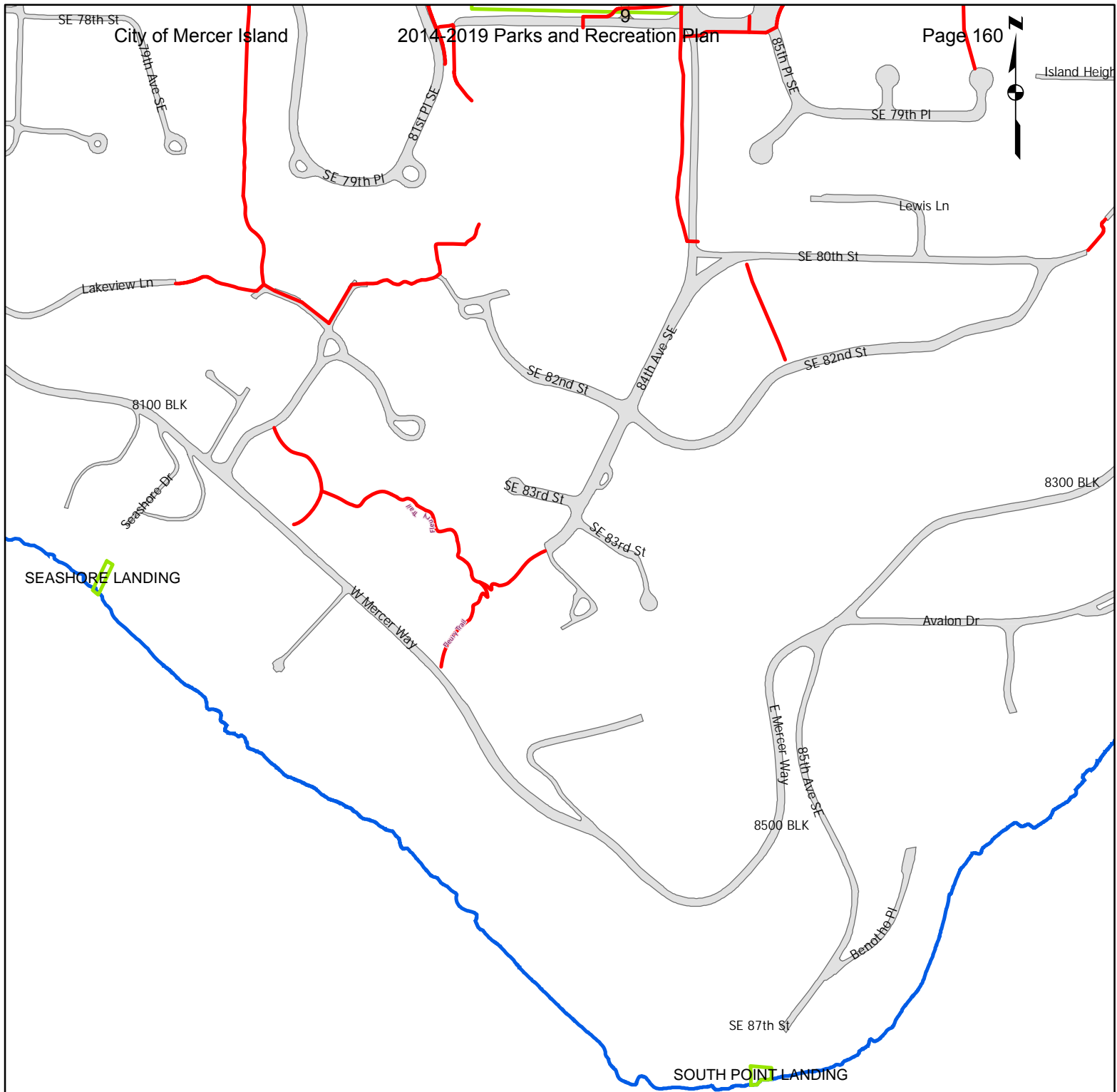
FACILITY INVENTORY

Facility Type

- Building
- Parking Lot
- Playfield
- Playground
- Plaza
- Restroom
- Parks

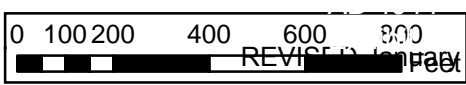


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**Mercer Island
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Seashore and
South Point Street
Ends**

- Walkways and Trails
- FACILITY INVENTORY**
- Facility Type**
- Parking Lot
- Parks



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OBJECTID	Type	Surface	Ownership	Length (ft)	Trail Name	Location Name	ROW Trail #	Replacement interval years
2140	Boardwalk	Wood	Mercer Island	58		Luther Burbank Park		20
2141	Boardwalk	Wood	Mercer Island	25		Luther Burbank Park		20
2143	Boardwalk	Wood	Mercer Island	243		Luther Burbank Park		20
3539	Boardwalk	Wood	Mercer Island	215		Ellis Pond		20
254	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	90		Island Crest Park		0
3496	Bridge	Wood	Tract	31	Island Glen Trail		1	0
3498	Bridge	Wood	Tract	8	Island Glen Trail		1	0
331	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	10	Tarrywood Heights Trail		17	5
2436	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	18		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2470	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	34		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	5
2696	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	8		Clarke Beach Park		5
3503	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	27		Island Crest Park		5
3512	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	43		Island Crest Park		5
3534	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	8		Ellis Pond		5
3536	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	8		Ellis Pond		5
3538	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	8		Ellis Pond		5
2422	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	11		Mercerdale Hillside	16	20
2667	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	17		Wildwood Park		20
2715	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	107		Engstrom Open Space		20
2717	Bridge	Wood	Mercer Island	57		Pioneer Park		20
2713	Bridge	Other	Mercer Island	20		Pioneer Park		20
1484	Crosswalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	28		Mercerdale Park		
2103	Crosswalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	26				
3089	Crosswalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	57	ICW Trail North		31	
3094	Crosswalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	48				
3327	Crosswalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	29	ICW Trail North		31	
3330	Crosswalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	26	ICW Trail North		31	
1815	Crosswalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	61	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
2105	Crosswalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	34				
2124	Crosswalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	28				
2508	Crosswalk	Asphalt	MI School District	25				
2933	Crosswalk	Asphalt	Private	39				
3170	Crosswalk	Asphalt	WSDOT	49				
3308	Driveway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	270				
3566	Driveway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	35	68th Ave		41	
3379	Driveway	Gravel	Mercer Island	115		Reservoir	13	
2612	Driveway	Gravel	Tract	119				
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1435	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	912	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1436	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	139	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
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1842	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	173		Aubrey Davis Park		
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1844	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	86		Aubrey Davis Park		
1845	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	117		Aubrey Davis Park		
1846	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	111		Aubrey Davis Park		
1847	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	10		Aubrey Davis Park		
1848	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	370		Aubrey Davis Park		
1853	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	311		Aubrey Davis Park		
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2003	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	70		Aubrey Davis Park		
2026	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	71	71st Ave		42	
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3478	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	333		Clarke Beach Park		
3481	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	236		Groveland Beach Park		
3484	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	168		Groveland Beach Park		
3485	Path	Asphalt	Mercer Island	24		Groveland Beach Park		
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3160	Path	Concrete	Mercer Island	44		Luther Burbank Park		
3285	Path	Concrete	Mercer Island	80		Mercerdale Park		
3396	Path	Concrete	Mercer Island	77	Homestead Trail		8	
1760	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	68		Mercerdale Hillside	16	

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2024	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	222		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
2182	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	135		Luther Burbank Park		
2278	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	67		Homestead Park		
2458	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	72		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
3274	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	195	89th Trail			14
3395	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	197	Homestead Trail			8
3634	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	31	SE 35th			44
3635	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	89	SE Maker			45
3669	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	36		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
3670	Path	Dirt	Mercer Island	37		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
27	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	201	Tarrywood Heights Trail			17
1523	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	75		Mercerdale Park		
2001	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	72				
2119	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	345		Community and Events Center		
2120	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	85		Luther Burbank Park		
2126	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	45		Luther Burbank Park		
2127	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	143		Luther Burbank Park		
2139	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	619		Luther Burbank Park		
2144	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	151		Luther Burbank Park		
2164	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	96		Luther Burbank Park		
2274	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	218		Homestead Park		
2378	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	139	68th Ave			41
2496	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	38		Homestead Park		
2530	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	109	Parkwest Trail N			29
2531	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	128	Parkwest Trail S			4
2552	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	46		Pioneer Park		
2617	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	33	The Lakes Access			35
2638	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	111	SE 80th Trail			28
2650	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	1004	ICW Trail South			38
2651	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	173	ICW Trail South	Wildwood Park		38
2652	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	174	ICW Trail South			38
2653	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	306	ICW Trail South			38
2654	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	271	ICW Trail South			38
2655	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	263	ICW Trail South			38
2678	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	62	Tarrywood Heights Trail			17
2679	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	32	SE 68th Trail			19
2734	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	32				
2815	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	130	SE 40th Trail			25
2992	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	458				
3025	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	66	Recycled Stairs			7
3027	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	165		SE 56th Landing		
3100	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	144	90th Ave Trail			21
3236	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	81				
3282	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	68		Secret Park		
3322	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	117		Luther Burbank Park		
3324	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	78	SE 63rd Trail			48
3343	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	160		Island Park Elementary		
3442	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	332	Campus Connector			12
3465	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	163	SE 53rd Trail			39
3482	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	62		Groveland Beach Park		
3513	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	144		Island Crest Park		
3641	Path	Gravel	Mercer Island	79	IMS Trail			26
2176	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	132		Luther Burbank Park		
2493	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	26		Homestead Park		
2494	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	39				
3000	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	88				
3001	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	75				

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3002	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	39				
3006	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	135				
3286	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	27		Mercedale Park		
3542	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	47				
3543	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	11				
3544	Path	Paver_Block	Mercer Island	18				
37	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	301	Island Point Trail		33	
2421	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	35		Mercedale Hillside	16	
2438	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	22		Mercedale Hillside	16	
2439	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	21		Mercedale Hillside	16	
2562	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	206	ICW Trail North	Pioneer Park	31	
3101	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	165	92nd Ave Trail		22	
3104	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	248	HS Cut Through		32	
3216	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	294	Mercerwood Shore Club Trail		6	
3325	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	674	ICW Trail North		31	
3326	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	773	ICW Trail North		31	
3328	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	643	ICW Trail North		31	
3329	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	178	ICW Trail North		31	
3331	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	252	ICW Trail North		31	
3480	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	183		Groveland Beach Park		
3514	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	110		Island Crest Park		
3533	Path	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	318	Ellis Pond Trail		27	
39	Path	Asphalt	MI School District	152				
2509	Path	Asphalt	MI School District	121				
2601	Path	Asphalt	MI School District	586				
2602	Path	Asphalt	MI School District	71				
2604	Path	Asphalt	MI School District	1255				
2605	Path	Asphalt	MI School District	20				
332	Path	Gravel	MI School District	604	Lakeridge Elementary Trail		34	
2628	Path	Gravel	MI School District	240				
2613	Path	Gravel	Private Road	100				
35	Path	Concrete	Private w/ Public	49	Lakeridge Connector		49	
3103	Path	Concrete	Private w/ Public	152	Crestwood Trail		23	
3628	Path	Concrete	Private w/ Public	66	Crestwood Trail		23	
32	Path	Gravel	Private w/ Public	189	SE 73rd Trail		11	
42	Path	Gravel	Private w/ Public	103	The Lakes Trail			
49	Path	Gravel	Private w/ Public	131	IMS Trail		26	
2615	Path	Gravel	Private w/ Public	36				
141	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	62		Aubrey Davis Park		
1387	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	112	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1389	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	320	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1390	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	77		Aubrey Davis Park		
1392	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	32		Aubrey Davis Park		
1395	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	89		Aubrey Davis Park		
1396	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	43		Aubrey Davis Park		
1397	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	63		Aubrey Davis Park		
1398	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	105		Aubrey Davis Park		
1399	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	30		Aubrey Davis Park		
1401	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	129		Aubrey Davis Park		
1402	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	195		Aubrey Davis Park		
1404	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	300		Aubrey Davis Park		
1405	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	403		Aubrey Davis Park		
1406	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	65		Aubrey Davis Park		
1407	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	253		Aubrey Davis Park		
1408	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	265	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1412	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	355		Aubrey Davis Park		

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1415	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	464		Aubrey Davis Park		
1417	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	604		Aubrey Davis Park		
1418	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	169	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1419	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	93	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1420	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	180	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1423	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	293		Aubrey Davis Park		
1424	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	124		Aubrey Davis Park		
1439	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	509		Aubrey Davis Park		
1440	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	145		Aubrey Davis Park		
1441	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	300		Aubrey Davis Park		
2066	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	210	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
2067	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	974	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
2068	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	402		Aubrey Davis Park		
2094	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	247				
2905	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	88		Aubrey Davis Park		
2906	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	152		Aubrey Davis Park		
2908	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	253		Aubrey Davis Park		
2910	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	249		Aubrey Davis Park		
2911	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	486		Aubrey Davis Park		
2912	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	325		Aubrey Davis Park		
2943	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	369				
2954	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	251				
2962	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	383				
2990	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	151		Aubrey Davis Park		
2991	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	126		Aubrey Davis Park		
3128	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	325				
3129	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	65				
3130	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	393				
3135	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	417				
3165	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	519	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
3167	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	90	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
3277	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	30		Aubrey Davis Park		
3279	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	91		Aubrey Davis Park		
3280	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	10		Aubrey Davis Park		
3320	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	40		Aubrey Davis Park		
3653	Path	Asphalt	WSDOT	283		Aubrey Davis Park		
1432	Path	Concrete	WSDOT	198		Aubrey Davis Park		
1442	Path	Concrete	WSDOT	231		Aubrey Davis Park		
2069	Path	Concrete	WSDOT	1062				
3575	Path	Dirt	WSDOT	35		Aubrey Davis Park		
3651	Path	Dirt	WSDOT	251				
2522	Path	Asphalt		13				
1821	Sidewalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	52	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1851	Sidewalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	986	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
2102	Sidewalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	145				
2952	Sidewalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	66				
3656	Sidewalk	Asphalt	Mercer Island	38				
1262	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	313				
1479	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	7		Mercerdale Park		
1802	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	321				
1816	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	228	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1819	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	356	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
1823	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	284				
1863	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	160		Aubrey Davis Park		
1868	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	18				
1870	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	281				
1881	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	299				
1989	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	39				
1994	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	267				

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2058	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	245				
2061	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	92		Aubrey Davis Park		
2098	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	340				
2107	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	192		Community and Events Center		
2108	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	130		Community and Events Center		
2114	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	74		Community and Events Center		
2115	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	35		Community and Events Center		
2425	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	91				
2429	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	35		Mercerdale Park		
2460	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	11		Mercerdale Park		
2462	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	43		Mercerdale Park		
2464	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	5		Mercerdale Park		
2485	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	259				
2926	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	124				
3159	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	48		Community and Events Center		
3163	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	60				
3302	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	85				
3586	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	7				
3648	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	592				
3649	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	145				
3657	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	193				
3659	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	29				
3660	Sidewalk	Concrete	Mercer Island	26				
2592	Sidewalk	Concrete	MI School District	38				
2593	Sidewalk	Concrete	MI School District	52				
2594	Sidewalk	Concrete	MI School District	28				
2595	Sidewalk	Concrete	MI School District	39				
2599	Sidewalk	Concrete	MI School District	22				
2600	Sidewalk	Concrete	MI School District	29				
2932	Sidewalk	Concrete	Private	70				
2934	Sidewalk	Concrete	Private	537				
2096	Sidewalk	Asphalt	WSDOT	439	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
2198	Sidewalk	Asphalt	WSDOT	57	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
914	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	76		Aubrey Davis Park		
916	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	222		Aubrey Davis Park		
1384	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	232		Aubrey Davis Park		
1391	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	198		Aubrey Davis Park		
1428	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	61				
1921	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	87	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
2063	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	234		Aubrey Davis Park		
2064	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	43				
2077	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	109		Aubrey Davis Park		
2078	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	51		Aubrey Davis Park		
2079	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	41		Aubrey Davis Park		
2080	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	37		Aubrey Davis Park		
2081	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	24		Aubrey Davis Park		
2082	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	46		Aubrey Davis Park		
2083	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	40		Aubrey Davis Park		
2084	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	36		Aubrey Davis Park		
2085	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	43		Aubrey Davis Park		
2086	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	29		Aubrey Davis Park		
2087	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	45		Aubrey Davis Park		
2088	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	36		Aubrey Davis Park		
2089	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	214				
2090	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	39		Aubrey Davis Park		
2091	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	684				
2959	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	155				
2967	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	208				
3133	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	181				

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3134	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	87				
3168	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	56				
3171	Sidewalk	Concrete	WSDOT	75		Aubrey Davis Park		
1449	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	140		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	0
1453	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	79		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	0
2680	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	111	SE 68th Trail		19	0
3509	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	23		Island Crest Park		0
3642	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	39	Fleury Trail		3	0
2441	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	105		Mercerdale Hillside	16	0
2468	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	66		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	0
3505	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	17		Island Crest Park		0
3507	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	16		Island Crest Park		0
3633	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	65	SE 35th		44	0
3643	Stairs	Timber_Box	Private w/ Public	38	Fleury Trail		3	0
2647	Stairs	Timber_Box	Tract	85	Fleury Trail		3	0
2649	Stairs	Timber_Box	Tract	84	Fleury Trail		3	0
1454	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	124	N Mercerdale Hillside @ SE 29th		43	5
1455	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	117	N Mercerdale Hillside @ SE 29th		43	5
1458	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	131	N Mercerdale Hillside @ SE 29th		43	5
1461	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	56		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1462	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	27		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1463	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	31		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1464	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	201		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1466	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	109		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1468	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	110	SE 27th Trail		1	5
1473	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	598		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1615	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	156		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1762	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	54		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2027	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	226	First Hill Stairs		5	5
2418	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	23		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2419	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	34		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2437	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	111		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2453	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	15		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2816	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	79	SE 40th Trail		25	5
3483	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	171		Groveland Beach Park		5
1443	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	69		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	5
1447	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	39		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	5
1469	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	120		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	5
1538	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	316		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1613	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	151		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1757	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	234	SE 38th and Mercerdale Hillside		46	5
1766	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	80		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1768	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	69		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
1770	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	248	Dunney Trail		4	5
2423	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	71		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2442	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	85		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2445	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	74		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
3316	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	11		Roanoke Park		5
3501	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	23		Island Crest Park		5
3622	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	44	Recycled Stairs		7	5
3623	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	54	Recycled Stairs			5
3668	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	95		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
3671	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	22		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2446	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	39		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2447	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	49		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5

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2449	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	106		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2456	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	53		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
2459	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	55		Mercerdale Hillside	16	5
3515	Stairs	Timber_Box	MI School District	24		Island Park Elementary		5
2773	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	33	SE 48th Trail		53	5
3500	Stairs	Timber_Box	Tract	66	Island Glen Trail		1	5
3494	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Tract	11	Island Glen Trail		1	20
2708	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	21		Pioneer Park		20
2721	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	44		Pioneer Park		20
3367	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	148		Upper Luther Burbank Park		20
3368	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	66		Upper Luther Burbank Park		20
3529	Stairs	Timber_Box	Mercer Island	54		Parkwood Ridge Open Space		20
2125	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	100		Luther Burbank Park		20
2719	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	45		Pioneer Park		20
3517	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	22		SE 53rd Open Space		20
3519	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	28		SE 53rd Open Space		20
3521	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	33		SE 53rd Open Space		20
3523	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	28		SE 53rd Open Space		20
3524	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	28		SE 53rd Open Space		20
3525	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	72		SE 53rd Open Space		20
3531	Stairs	Timber_Riser	Mercer Island	38		Parkwood Ridge Open Space		20
1474	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	43		Bicentennial Park		
1488	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	10		Mercerdale Park		
1494	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	14		Mercerdale Park		
2113	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	91		Community and Events Center		
2463	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	20		Mercerdale Park		
2467	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	64		Bicentennial Park		
3004	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	23				
3630	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	91		Miller Landing	3	
3637	Stairs	Concrete	Mercer Island	21			15	
2420	Stairs	Wood_Chip	Mercer Island	53		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
3629	Stairs	Concrete	Private w/ Public	15	Crestwood Trail		23	
1388	Stairs	Concrete	WSDOT	38		Aubrey Davis Park		
1433	Stairs	Concrete	WSDOT	80		Aubrey Davis Park		
3321	Stairs	Concrete	WSDOT	19		Aubrey Davis Park		
3306	Trail	Asphalt	Mercer Island	137				
3457	Trail	Asphalt	Mercer Island	52				
3458	Trail	Asphalt	Mercer Island	46				
3244	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	139		Rotary Park		
3245	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	22		Rotary Park		
3246	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	107		Rotary Park		
3247	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	71		Rotary Park		
3248	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	43		Rotary Park		
3250	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	56		Rotary Park		
3251	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	86		Rotary Park		
3255	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	43		Rotary Park		
3257	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	14		Reservoir	13	
3363	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	383	SE 28th		52	
3380	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	505		Reservoir	13	
3383	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	90		Rotary Park		
3384	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	54		Rotary Park		
3385	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	96		Rotary Park		
3386	Trail	Cinder	Mercer Island	60		Rotary Park		
181	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	1101		Luther Burbank Park		
202	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	552		Pioneer Park		
204	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	784		Pioneer Park		
205	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	554		Pioneer Park		
206	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	145		Pioneer Park		
207	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	700		Pioneer Park		

OBJECTID	Type	Surface	Ownership	Length (ft)	Trail Name	Location Name	ROW Trail #	Replacement interval years
208	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	529		Pioneer Park		
210	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	187		Pioneer Park		
211	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	352		Pioneer Park		
212	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	211		Pioneer Park		
214	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	565		Pioneer Park		
215	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	484		Pioneer Park		
216	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	531		Pioneer Park		
218	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	224		Pioneer Park		
219	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	227		Pioneer Park		
220	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	374		Pioneer Park		
222	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	144		Pioneer Park		
223	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	518		Pioneer Park		
224	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	607		Pioneer Park		
225	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	181		Pioneer Park		
226	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	780		Pioneer Park		
227	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	206		Pioneer Park		
230	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	182		Pioneer Park		
231	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	296		Pioneer Park		
232	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	97		Pioneer Park		
233	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	673		Pioneer Park		
247	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	158		Pioneer Park		
255	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	459		Island Crest Park		
302	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	304		Pioneer Park		
303	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	65		Wildwood Park		
304	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	79		Wildwood Park		
310	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	803		Engstrom Open Space		
320	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	342		Engstrom Open Space		
321	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	232		Wildwood Park		
322	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	98		Wildwood Park		
323	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	79		Wildwood Park		
324	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	78		Wildwood Park		
325	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	86		Wildwood Park		
326	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	38		Ellis Pond		
327	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	113		Ellis Pond		
328	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	146		Ellis Pond		
330	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	70		Ellis Pond		
333	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	39		Island Crest Park		
1446	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	60		North Mercedale Hillside	9	
1456	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	135		North Mercedale Hillside	9	
1467	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	627		North Mercedale Hillside	9	
2028	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	29		Secret Park		
2029	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	363		Secret Park		
2030	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	95		Secret Park		
2031	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	19		Secret Park		
2032	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	151		Secret Park		
2424	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	63		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
2457	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	13		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
2487	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	266		Homestead Park		
2515	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	195		Pioneer Park		
2516	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	94		Pioneer Park		
2517	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	120		Pioneer Park		
2550	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	71		Pioneer Park		
2560	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	157		Pioneer Park		
2569	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	365		Pioneer Park		
2570	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	135		Pioneer Park		
2574	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	139		Pioneer Park		
2616	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	37	The Lakes Access		35	
2656	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	76		Wildwood Park		
2657	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	35		Wildwood Park		

OBJECTID	Type	Surface	Ownership	Length (ft)	Trail Name	Location Name	ROW Trail #	Replacement interval years
2658	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	31		Wildwood Park		
2659	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	37		Wildwood Park		
2660	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	25		Wildwood Park		
2661	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	20		Wildwood Park		
2662	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	49		Wildwood Park		
2663	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	41		Wildwood Park		
2664	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	135		Wildwood Park		
2665	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	173		Wildwood Park		
2666	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	18		Wildwood Park		
2691	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	89		Clarke Beach Park		
2695	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	43		Clarke Beach Park		
2704	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	309		Pioneer Park		
2707	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	732		Pioneer Park		
2709	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	146		Pioneer Park		
2710	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	138		Pioneer Park		
2711	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	414		Pioneer Park		
2712	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	93		Pioneer Park		
2714	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	258		Engstrom Open Space		
2716	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	98		Pioneer Park		
2718	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	80		Pioneer Park		
2720	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	188		Pioneer Park		
2722	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	489		Pioneer Park		
2723	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	216		Pioneer Park		
2724	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	142		Pioneer Park		
2727	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	368		Pioneer Park		
2728	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	82		Pioneer Park		
2729	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	192		Pioneer Park		
2737	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	203		Pioneer Park		
2738	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	690		Pioneer Park		
2739	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	36		Pioneer Park		
2740	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	158		Pioneer Park		
2749	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	33		Pioneer Park		
2750	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	80		Pioneer Park		
2751	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	171		Pioneer Park		
2754	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	214		Pioneer Park		
3073	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	30		Island Crest Park		
3075	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	53		Island Crest Park		
3080	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	146		Island Crest Park		
3212	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	145		Ellis Pond		
3213	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	41		Ellis Pond		
3215	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	71		Ellis Pond		
3283	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	37		Secret Park		
3314	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	298		Roanoke Park		
3335	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	282		Island Crest Park		
3336	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	330		Island Crest Park		
3337	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	32		Island Crest Park		
3338	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	405		Island Crest Park		
3364	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	419		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3376	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	279		Reservoir	13	
3459	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	205		Roanoke Park		
3460	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	79		Roanoke Park		
3470	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	125		Clarke Beach Park		
3472	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	115		Clarke Beach Park		
3510	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	231		Island Crest Park		
3535	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	50		Ellis Pond		
3540	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	59		Ellis Pond		
3541	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	33		Ellis Pond		
3644	Trail	Dirt	Mercer Island	601		Island Crest Park		
299	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	20		Upper Luther Burbank Park		

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300	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	29		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
1445	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	27		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	
1450	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	143		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	
2149	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	553		Luther Burbank Park		
2150	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	210		Luther Burbank Park		
2151	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	46		Luther Burbank Park		
2152	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	26		Luther Burbank Park		
2153	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	140		Luther Burbank Park		
2154	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	254		Luther Burbank Park		
2155	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	118		Luther Burbank Park		
2156	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	92		Luther Burbank Park		
2157	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	120		Luther Burbank Park		
2158	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	85		Luther Burbank Park		
2159	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	19		Luther Burbank Park		
2175	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	870		Luther Burbank Park		
2699	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	28		Pioneer Park		
2706	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	36		Pioneer Park		
3334	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	159		Island Crest Park		
3339	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	70		Island Crest Park		
3378	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	184		Reservoir	13	
3382	Trail	Gravel	Mercer Island	30		Rotary Park		
66	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	163		Ellis Pond		
203	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	696		Pioneer Park		
217	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	675		Pioneer Park		
221	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	389		Pioneer Park		
228	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	254		Pioneer Park		
234	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	319		Engstrom Open Space		
235	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	473		Pioneer Park		
236	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	839		Pioneer Park		
238	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	739		Pioneer Park		
240	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	799		Pioneer Park		
241	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	84		Pioneer Park		
242	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	91		Pioneer Park		
244	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	338		Pioneer Park		
246	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	868		Pioneer Park		
251	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	524		Island Crest Park		
253	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	331		Island Crest Park		
256	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	275		Island Crest Park		
292	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	349		Island Crest Park		
296	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	22		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
305	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	288		Wildwood Park		
329	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	74		Ellis Pond		
1444	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	458		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	
1448	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	93		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	
1451	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	103		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	
1452	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	116		North Mercerdale Hillside	9	
1536	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	280		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1537	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	270		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1539	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	172		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1586	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	154	76th Ave Trail	Mercerdale Hillside	2	
1587	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	218	76th Ave Trail	Mercerdale Hillside	2	
1616	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	206		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1617	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	253		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1763	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	300		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1764	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	79		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1767	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	55		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
1769	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	212		Mercerdale Hillside	16	
2197	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	367		Luther Burbank Park		
2440	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	294		Mercerdale Hillside	16	

OBJECTID	Type	Surface	Ownership	Length (ft)	Trail Name	Location Name	ROW Trail #	Replacement interval years
2443	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	9		Mercerdale Hillside		16
2444	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	115		Mercerdale Hillside		16
2448	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	98		Mercerdale Hillside		16
2452	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	31		Mercerdale Hillside		16
2454	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	7		Mercerdale Hillside		16
2455	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	13		Mercerdale Hillside		16
2469	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	28		North Mercerdale Hillside		9
2518	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	112		Pioneer Park		
2519	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	116		Pioneer Park		
2520	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	568		Pioneer Park		
2521	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	56		Pioneer Park		
2547	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	469		Pioneer Park		
2548	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	169		Pioneer Park		
2553	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	61		Pioneer Park		
2554	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	51		Pioneer Park		
2555	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	103		Pioneer Park		
2556	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	81		Pioneer Park		
2557	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	448		Pioneer Park		
2558	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	1247		Pioneer Park		
2561	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	44		Pioneer Park		
2563	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	32		Pioneer Park		
2564	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	356		Pioneer Park		
2566	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	71		Pioneer Park		
2567	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	74		Pioneer Park		
2568	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	148		Pioneer Park		
2571	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	316		Pioneer Park		
2572	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	252		Pioneer Park		
2573	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	82		Pioneer Park		
2648	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	166	Fleury Trail			3
2698	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	414		Pioneer Park		
2733	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	1017		Pioneer Park		
2735	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	29		Pioneer Park		
2741	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	751		Pioneer Park		
2743	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	413		Pioneer Park		
2744	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	193		Pioneer Park		
2745	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	98		Pioneer Park		
2746	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	180		Pioneer Park		
2747	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	173		Pioneer Park		
2748	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	66		Pioneer Park		
2752	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	150		Pioneer Park		
2753	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	328		Pioneer Park		
3074	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	202		Island Crest Park		
3076	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	28		Island Crest Park		
3078	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	84		Island Crest Park		
3079	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	283		Island Crest Park		
3081	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	338		Island Crest Park		
3082	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	162		Island Crest Park		
3083	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	158		Island Crest Park		
3084	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	76		Island Crest Park		
3208	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	67		Ellis Pond		
3209	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	46		Ellis Pond		
3210	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	45		Ellis Pond		
3211	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	87		Ellis Pond		
3214	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	15		Ellis Pond		
3259	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	22		Reservoir		13
3341	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	273		Island Crest Park		
3345	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	24		Pioneer Park		
3347	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	205		Pioneer Park		
3358	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	85		Pioneer Park		

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3359	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	42		Pioneer Park		
3360	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	109		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3361	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	433		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3362	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	248		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3365	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	221		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3366	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	449		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3369	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	334		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3370	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	21		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3371	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	542		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3372	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	232		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3373	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	241		Upper Luther Burbank Park		
3381	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	493		Reservoir	13	
3406	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	428		Clise Park		
3486	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	799		Parkwood Ridge Open Space		
3487	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	1439		SE 53rd Open Space		
3488	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	176		SE 53rd Open Space		
3502	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	49		Island Crest Park		
3504	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	13		Island Crest Park		
3508	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	73		Island Crest Park		
3516	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	137		SE 53rd Open Space		
3518	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	40		SE 53rd Open Space		
3520	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	63		SE 53rd Open Space		
3522	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	111		SE 53rd Open Space		
3526	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	35		SE 53rd Open Space		
3527	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	27		SE 53rd Open Space		
3528	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	233		Parkwood Ridge Open Space		
3530	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	109		Parkwood Ridge Open Space		
3537	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	51		Ellis Pond		
3650	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Mercer Island	907		SE 53rd Open Space		
1500	Trail	Wood_Chip	Mercer Island	64		Mercerdale Park		
1501	Trail	Wood_Chip	Mercer Island	81		Mercerdale Park		
1502	Trail	Wood_Chip	Mercer Island	75		Mercerdale Park		
1504	Trail	Wood_Chip	Mercer Island	68		Mercerdale Park		
1505	Trail	Wood_Chip	Mercer Island	26		Mercerdale Park		
2123	Trail	Wood_Chip	Mercer Island	457		Luther Burbank Park		
52	Trail	Dirt	MI School District	764		Island Park Elementary		
3655	Trail	Dirt	Private w/ Public	127	Landsdowne Lane		24	
317	Trail	Rock_W_Stabiliz	Tract	172	Fleury Trail		3	
3645	Trail	Rock_W_Stabilizer		129		Engstrom Open Space		
1820	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	199	I-90 Bike Trail	Aubrey Davis Park		
2104	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	230				
2179	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	183				
2181	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	55				
2201	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	21				
2203	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	643				
2539	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	94				
2541	Walkway	Asphalt	Mercer Island	208				
2540	Walkway	Cinder	Mercer Island	280				
3169	Walkway	Concrete	WSDOT	472				
			total miles	29.4				
Main data was collected and analyzed by Mike Helten in 2012. Further data collection and analysis by Paul West in 2013.								
Data exported from ArcGIS dataset: T:\Parks\ArcMap_files\Parks_Basemap_Files.gdb as Bike_Ped_FINAL								
OBJECTID provides a unique identifier for the exact identification of the trail segment.								
Replacement was not analyzed on asphalt and concrete surfaces. They are covered in other Parks CIP planning.								

Appendix 2: Recreation and Conservation Office Level of Service Analysis Tool for local government

Appendix C: Level of Service Tool and Guide

Level of Service Summary					
Local Agencies					
Indicators and Criteria For Local Agencies	A	B	C	D	E
Quantity Criteria					
Number of Parks and Recreation Facilities Percent difference between existing quantity or per capita average of parks and recreation facilities and the desired quantity or per capita average	<10%	11-20%	21-30%	31-40%	>41%
Facilities that Support Active Recreation Opportunities Percent of facilities that support or encourage active (muscle-powered) recreation opportunities	>60%	51-60%	41-50%	31-40%	<30%
Facility Capacity Percent of demand met by existing facilities	>75%	61-75%	46-60%	30-45%	<30%
Quality Criteria					
Agency-Based Assessment Percentage of facilities that are fully functional for their specific design and safety guidelines	>80%	61-80%	41-60%	20-40%	<20%
Public Satisfaction Percentage of population satisfied with the condition, quantity, or distribution of existing active park and recreation facilities	>65%	51-65%	36-50%	25-35%	<25%
Distribution and Access Criteria					
Population within Service Areas Percentage of population within the following services areas (considering barriers to access): 0.5 mile of a neighborhood park/trail 5 miles of a community park/trail 25 miles of a regional park/trail	>75%	61-75%	46-60%	30-45%	<30%
Access Percentage of parks and recreation facilities that may be accessed safely via foot, bicycle, or public transportation	>80%	61-80%	41-60%	20-40%	<20%

RCO Level of Service Analysis 2013	Acres	Active Rec by Acre	Active Rec by Park	Functional by Acre	Functional by Park	Accessible by Acre	Accessible by Park
72nd Ave SE Landing	0.17	0.17	Yes	0.17	Yes	0.17	Yes
74th Ave SE Landing	0.05	0.05	Yes	0.05	Yes	0.05	Yes
77th Ave SE Landing	0.29	0.29	Yes	0.29	Yes	0.29	Yes
Aubrey Davis Park	86.5	86.5	Yes	86.5	Yes	86.5	Yes
Bicentennial Park	0.1	0.1	Yes	0.1	Yes	0.1	Yes
Calkins Landing	0.31	0.31	Yes	0.31	Yes	0.31	Yes
Clarke Beach Park	9.05	9.05	Yes	9.05	Yes	9.05	Yes
Clise Park	1.72	1.72	Yes	1.72	Yes	1.72	Yes
Ellis Pond	4.04	4.04	Yes	4.04	Yes	4.04	Yes
Engstrom Open Space	8.5	8.5	Yes	8.5	Yes	8.5	Yes
First Hill Park	0.83	0.83	Yes	0.83	Yes	0.83	Yes
Forest Landing	0.03	0.03	Yes	0.03	Yes	0.03	Yes
Franklin Landing	0.03	0.03	Yes	0.03	Yes	0.03	Yes
Freeman Landing	0.21						
Fruitland Landing	0.15	0.15	Yes	0.15	Yes	0.15	Yes
Gallagher Hill	11.34	11.34	Yes	11.34	Yes	11.34	Yes
Garfield Landing	0.34	0.34	Yes	0.34	Yes	0.34	Yes
Groveland Park	3.07	3.07	Yes	3.07	Yes	3.07	Yes
Hollerbach OS	5.18			5.18	Yes	5.18	Yes
Homestead Park	11.09	11.09	Yes	11.09	Yes	11.09	Yes
Island Crest Park	38.91	38.91	Yes	38.91	Yes	38.91	Yes
Lincoln Landing	0.23	0.23	Yes	0.23	Yes	0.23	Yes
Luther Burbank	54.52	54.52	Yes	54.52	Yes	54.52	Yes
Mercerdale Hillside Park	18.59	18.59	Yes	18.59	Yes	18.59	Yes
Mercerdale Park	12.17	12.17	Yes	12.17	Yes	12.17	Yes
Miller Landing	0.3	0.3	Yes	0.3	Yes	0.3	Yes
N Mercerdale Hillside	6.2	6.2	Yes	6.2	Yes	6.2	Yes
Parkwood Ridge OS	3.8	3.8	Yes	3.8	Yes	3.8	Yes
Pioneer Park	118.85	118.85	Yes	118.85	Yes	118.85	Yes
Proctor Landing	0.3	0.3	Yes	0.3	Yes	0.3	Yes
Roanoke Landing	0.18	0.18	Yes	0.18	Yes	0.18	Yes
Roanoke Park	1.46	1.46	Yes	1.46	Yes	1.46	Yes
Rotary Park	4.83	4.83	Yes	4.83	Yes	4.83	Yes
Salem Woods	0.35			0.35	Yes	0.35	Yes
SE 20th St Landing	0.14	0.14	Yes	0.14	Yes	0.14	Yes
SE 36th St Landing	0.1						
SE 40th St Landing	0.03						
SE 45th St Landing	0.09						
SE 47th St OS	1.53			1.53	Yes	1.53	Yes
SE 53rd Pl OS	26.16	26.16	Yes	26.16	Yes	26.16	Yes
SE 56th Street Landing	0.21	0.21	Yes	0.21	Yes	0.21	Yes
SE 72nd St Landing	0.12					0.12	Yes
Seashore Dr Landing	0.04						
Secret Park	0.86	0.86	Yes	0.86	Yes	0.86	Yes
Slater Park	0.68	0.68	Yes	0.68	Yes	0.68	Yes
South Mercer Playfield	17.31	17.31	Yes	17.31	Yes	17.31	Yes
South Point	0.03	0.03	Yes	0.03	Yes	0.03	Yes
Wildwood Park	3.02	3.02	Yes	3.02	Yes	3.02	Yes
Upper Luther Burbank	18.07	18.07	Yes	18.07	Yes	18.07	Yes
TOTAL ACREAGE	472.08	464.43	Yes	471.49	Yes	471.61	Yes
RCO Threshold for LOS "A"		98%	82%	100%	88%	100%	90%
		60%	60%	80%	80%	80%	80%

Appendix 3: 2012 Biennial Citizen Survey Topline Results

City of Mercer Island Telephone Survey of City of Mercer Island

N = 300; Margin of Error \pm 5.7 points
Conducted June 24th – June 28th, 2012
EMC Research #12-4663

When applicable, results are compared to previous Mercer Island budget surveys

February 23 rd - 27 th , 2010	N = 400; Margin of Error \pm 4.9 points	EMC Research #10-4219
January 24 th - 28 th , 2008	N = 400; Margin of Error \pm 4.9 points	EMC Research #08-3803

Hello, my name is _____. May I speak to **(NAME ON LIST)**. Hello, my name is _____ and I'm taking a survey for EMC Research. We're trying to find out how people on Mercer Island feel about some of the issues facing them. This is not a sales call, and your answers will remain completely anonymous.

1. Gender **[RECORD BY OBSERVATION]**

	2008	2010	2012
Male	47%	47%	47%
Female	53%	47%	47%

2. Do you feel things on Mercer Island are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

Right direction	65%	70%	71%
Wrong track	16%	15%	15%
(Don't Know)	19%	15%	14%

3. What do you think is the most important problem facing Mercer Island today?

Education/School Funding	9%	13%	29%
Traffic/Transportation/Parking	26%	19%	14%
Road Conditions/Highways/Infrastructure	2%	7%	8%
Overcrowding/Overdevelopment/Overbuilding	24%	11%	5%
City Government/Council	3%	2%	5%
Bicyclists/Bike lanes	1%	--	2%
High Taxes/High Cost of Living	3%	6%	2%
Public Safety/Crime	--	1%	2%
Lack of Affordable Housing	3%	1%	2%
Budget/Finances/Overspending	--	2%	2%
Drugs/Alcohol Abuse	1%	--	1%
Economy/Unemployment	--	6%	--
Youth Programs/Concerns	2%	3%	--
Environment/Preserving Parks/Preserving Open Space	3%	--	--
None	10%	10%	11%
Other	5%	8%	7%
Don't Know/Refused	9%	11%	10%

Please tell me if you have a strongly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or strongly unfavorable opinion of each of the following. If you have never heard of one please just say so. **[NOTE: If respondent says "Don't Know," "No opinion," or something similar that is not Favorable/Unfavorable, probe for Can't Rate/Never Heard: "Would you say that you have heard of (QX) but cannot rate (QX) or have you never heard of (QX)?"]**

(RANDOMIZE)

4. The King County Council

	2008	2010	2012
Strongly Favorable	3%	5%	5%
Somewhat Favorable	32%	30%	38%
Somewhat Unfavorable	19%	15%	14%
Strongly Unfavorable	10%	11%	8%
(Can't Rate/No Opinion/DK)	32%	34%	32%
(Never Heard)	5%	4%	3%

5. Mercer Island City Council

Strongly Favorable	10%	12%	7%
Somewhat Favorable	49%	42%	43%
Somewhat Unfavorable	14%	17%	20%
Strongly Unfavorable	7%	9%	11%
(Can't Rate/No Opinion/DK)	19%	19%	19%
(Never Heard)	2%	2%	1%

6. Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department

Strongly Favorable	53%	53%	52%
Somewhat Favorable	37%	37%	36%
Somewhat Unfavorable	2%	4%	4%
Strongly Unfavorable	1%	1%	1%
(Can't Rate/No Opinion/DK)	6%	6%	7%
(Never Heard)	1%	0%	1%

7. Mercer Island Police Department

Strongly Favorable	47%	56%	50%
Somewhat Favorable	40%	33%	36%
Somewhat Unfavorable	7%	4%	6%
Strongly Unfavorable	2%	2%	4%
(Can't Rate/No Opinion/DK)	4%	4%	4%

8. Mercer Island Fire Department

Strongly Favorable	77%	75%	70%
Somewhat Favorable	17%	18%	24%
Somewhat Unfavorable	0%	1%	0%
Strongly Unfavorable	0%	0%	0%
(Can't Rate/No Opinion/DK)	6%	6%	5%

	2008	2010	2012
Strongly Favorable	55%	51%	48%
Somewhat Favorable	23%	24%	23%
Somewhat Unfavorable	1%	1%	2%
Strongly Unfavorable	1%	1%	1%
(Can't Rate/No Opinion/DK)	16%	21%	23%
(Never Heard)	4%	2%	3%

10. Mercer Island's Summer Celebration event

Strongly Favorable	54%	51%	49%
Somewhat Favorable	27%	32%	32%
Somewhat Unfavorable	3%	3%	3%
Strongly Unfavorable	1%	2%	1%
(Can't Rate/No Opinion/DK)	13%	10%	14%
(Never Heard)	2%	2%	2%

(END RANDOMIZE)

Using a scale of excellent, good, only fair, or poor, how would you rate...**[INSERT Qx]**

SCALE	Excellent	Good	Only Fair	Poor	Don't Know
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[RANDOMIZE]

11. The job the city of Mercer Island is doing using tax dollars responsibly

2008	10%	46%	24%	7%	9%
2010	12%	43%	30%	7%	8%
2012	8%	41%	29%	14%	7%

12. The job King County is doing using tax dollars responsibly

2008	2%	26%	37%	21%	14%
2010	3%	25%	34%	26%	13%
2012	2%	29%	31%	18%	20%

[END RANDOMIZE]

SCALE	Excellent	Good	Only Fair	Poor	Don't Know
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[AFTER EACH UNTIL UNDERSTOOD: "Would you say the city of Mercer Island is doing an excellent, good, only fair, or poor job..."]

[RANDOMIZE]

13. maintaining parks, trails, and open space

2008	38%	48%	9%	1%	4%
2010	40%	50%	6%	3%	2%
2012	38%	48%	10%	1%	3%

14. maintaining streets

2008	23%	53%	19%	4%	1%
2010	21%	51%	22%	3%	2%
2012	16%	51%	22%	10%	1%

15. maintaining sidewalks, pedestrian paths, and bike paths

2008	22%	44%	20%	9%	6%
2010	21%	44%	21%	10%	4%
2012	17%	48%	22%	10%	3%

16. providing recreation programs for youth, adults, and seniors

2008	34%	45%	7%	1%	12%
2010	25%	49%	11%	3%	12%
2012	33%	48%	9%	1%	10%

17. protecting the environment on the island and the water quality around the island

2008	25%	47%	11%	4%	14%
2010	36%	46%	8%	2%	8%
2012	27%	48%	11%	3%	11%

18. preparing for a natural disaster, like an earthquake or a windstorm

2008	12%	36%	18%	7%	28%
2010	10%	34%	21%	9%	27%
2012	16%	34%	19%	5%	26%

19. ensuring prompt fire and medical aid call response times

2008	52%	22%	2%	--	24%
2010	48%	33%	3%	0%	16%
2012	48%	32%	4%	1%	16%

20. operating the Community Center at Mercer View

2008	42%	33%	6%	1%	18%
2010	39%	35%	7%	2%	18%
2012	35%	40%	10%	2%	14%

21. preventing crime and protecting the community

2008	37%	46%	8%	1%	7%
2010	32%	51%	11%	1%	5%
2012	31%	50%	13%	2%	4%

22. promoting traffic safety

2008	16%	46%	22%	10%	6%
2010	14%	41%	27%	11%	7%
2012	14%	42%	26%	14%	5%

23. providing amenities at the City's parks, such as sports fields, sports courts, playgrounds, and restrooms

2012	39%	46%	9%	1%	5%
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[END RANDOMIZE]

24. And in terms of public services provided by the City of Mercer Island, do you think that overall the city provides too many services, too few services, or about the right amount of services?

	2008	2010	2012
Too Many	5%	7%	11%
About Right	83%	81%	79%
Too Few	6%	3%	3%
(Don't Know)	5%	9%	7%
(Refused)	1%	0%	0%

25. If you had to choose only one, which of the following would you choose for the City of Mercer Island? Would you choose to... (RANDOMIZE CHOICE 1 AND 2)

1. Increase taxes to maintain city services at current levels allowing for population growth and inflation, OR
2. Keep taxes the same, and cut services as needed when population growth and inflation outpace revenues

Increase taxes to maintain city services at current levels allowing for population growth and inflation	49%	39%	41%
Keep taxes the same, and cut services as needed when population growth and inflation outpace revenues	39%	48%	47%
(Other)	0%	1%	5%
(Neither)	5%	4%	3%
(Don't Know)	5%	6%	3%
((DRN) Refused)	2%	2%	1%

26. Overall, how would you rate your satisfaction with the appearance and condition of the City's Town Center, would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

Very Satisfied	28%	33%	36%
Somewhat Satisfied	43%	44%	40%
Somewhat Dissatisfied	18%	16%	14%
Very Dissatisfied	8%	4%	6%
(Don't Know/Can't Rate)	3%	4%	4%

SCALE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Don't Know	Refused	Mean
	Completely Unsafe			Completely Safe						

27. Moving on, I'd like to ask you about your personal safety. Using a scale of one to seven, where 1 is completely unsafe and 7 is completely safe, how you would rate your feeling walking alone in your neighborhood. You can use any number on the scale.

2008	0%	0%	1%	3%	8%	23%	63%	1%	0%	6.44
2010	0%	1%	0%	3%	8%	23%	63%	2%	1%	6.45
2012	1%	0%	0%	3%	9%	20%	65%	2%	0%	6.46

28. Again from one to seven where one is completely unsafe and seven is completely safe, how would you rate your feeling walking alone in the City's town center?

2008	0%	0%	0%	2%	9%	26%	60%	3%	0%	6.48
2010	0%	1%	1%	2%	7%	22%	65%	2%	0%	6.48
2012	0%	0%	1%	1%	12%	20%	62%	3%	0%	6.46

Moving on....

29. If there were an earthquake, and your household lost power and access to the City's water system for seven days, how prepared would you say your household is to be completely self sustaining for this time period? Would you say you are...?

	2008	2010	2012
Completely Prepared	12%	12%	12%
Mostly Prepared	46%	44%	44%
Mostly Unprepared	31%	33%	33%
Completely Unprepared	10%	10%	10%
(Don't Know)	2%	1%	1%

30. How satisfied are you with the city's efforts to keep you informed through printed and electronic newsletters, the City's website, and local news media? Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

Very Satisfied	34%	34%	34%
Somewhat Satisfied	51%	51%	49%
Somewhat Dissatisfied	8%	7%	7%
Very Dissatisfied	2%	2%	4%
(Don't Know/Can't Rate)	5%	5%	5%
(Refused)	1%	0%	0%

31. For statistical purposes only, what year were you born? [**RECORD YEAR - VALID RANGE: 1900-1994: TERMINATE >= 1994**] [IF "Refused" ==> "Would you say you are age..." READ RESPONSES IN Q4]

32. [AGE - CODE AGE FROM PREVIOUS QUESTION]

	2008	2010	2012
18-24	1%	1%	1%
25-34	4%	5%	4%
35-44	15%	16%	15%
45-59	34%	33%	34%
60+	46%	45%	46%

33. Do you own or rent your apartment or home?

Own/buying	86%	87%	85%
Rent	12%	10%	12%
(Don't Know/Refused)	2%	3%	2%

34. How many children under the age of 18 live in your home? [**RECORD NUMBER, VALID RANGE 0-15**]

0	60%	63%	65%
1	13%	11%	13%
2	18%	20%	14%
3 or more	7%	6%	8%
Refused	1%	--	1%

THANK YOU!

Appendix 4: Approved 2013-2018 6 year Capital Improvement Project List

Six Year Park CIP Projections

Project ID	Priority	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Homestead Field							
Implement master plan improvements	3						
		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mercerdale Park							
Trail overlay and widening for multi-use	2		\$0				
Master Plan w/Thrift Shop	2	\$25,000					
		\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
I-90 Lid Park							
Sculpture Park Improvements	2					\$150,000	
Trail asphalt overlay	1		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$135,342	\$158,350
Picnic Shelter Upgrade	3						\$0
Restroom at Area C	2						\$0
		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$285,342	\$158,350
Island Crest Park							
Ballfield Lights Replacement	1			\$383,000			
North Field Drainage Improvements	1	\$97,286					
		\$97,286	\$0	\$383,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Parks Open Space/ Vegetation Management							
Open space veg plan - (includes \$65K/yr Levy funds)	1	\$262,104	\$266,908	\$329,022	\$339,583	\$350,566	\$361,989
Property surveys and encroachment mitigation	2	\$0	\$0	\$12,818	\$13,331	\$13,864	\$14,419
Pioneer Park/Engstrom OS trail improvements	1	\$5,436	\$5,654	\$12,818	\$13,331	\$13,864	\$14,419
Pioneer Park/ Engstrom forest mgmt plan - (includes \$77K/yr Levy fund)	1	\$142,780	\$148,491	\$154,431	\$157,528	\$160,749	\$164,099
		\$410,320	\$421,053	\$509,089	\$523,773	\$539,043	\$554,925
Regional Trails (King County Levy)							
Trail construction		\$80,000	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
		\$80,000	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Open Space/Land Purchases							
Park/Open Space land purchase opportunities	2						
		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Small Parks, Street Ends and Other							
Parks and Recreation 6 Year Plan	1	\$50,000					
Clarke Beach Shoreline Restoration/Bulkhead Improvements	2						\$126,500
Clarke Beach Restroom Remodel	3					\$0	
Off Leash Park Expansion Opportunities	3						
Groveland Beach Dock Repair and Shoreline Improvements	2			\$400,340			
Groveland Beach Restroom Remodel	3						\$297,440
Street end improvements	2		\$306,831			\$150,000	
Mercerdale Park sign and community sign board	3				\$0		
Pioneer Park path lighting	3						\$100,000
Roanoke Playground Equipment	3						\$86,020
Healthy Living Wellness Equipment	2		\$27,649				
		\$50,000	\$334,480	\$400,340	\$0	\$150,000	\$609,960

Project ID	Project Name	Priority	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
South Mercer Playfield								
	Replace playground equipment	2			\$0	\$93,013		
	Replace synthetic turf at IMS soccer	2				\$548,000		
			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$641,013	\$0	\$0
Luther Burbank Park								
7	Park improvements (minor capitol repairs)	1	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000
	Playground Replacement	1	\$328,250					
	Amphitheatre ReDesign	3					\$0	
	LBP Shoreline Phase II (Calkins Point)	1	\$35,000	\$315,308				
			\$473,250	\$425,308	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000
Reoccurring Park Projects								
	Parks Signage Plan	1	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
	Emergency repairs	1	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
	Park furnishings	1	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
	Building repairs	1	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
	Project repairs	1	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
			\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000
MICEC								
11	Master Plan	2			\$16,875			
	West Property Boundry Fence	2					\$50,000	
			\$0	\$0	\$16,875	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
Totals								
Total Park Projects			\$1,255,856	\$1,360,841	\$1,539,304	\$1,394,786	\$1,254,385	\$1,553,235

Appendix 5: Potential grant funding sources

Recreation and Conservation Office

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Olympia WA 98504-0917
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E-mail: info@rco.wa.gov
Web: www.rco.wa.gov

Who Can Apply?

- Local governments
- Special purpose districts
- State agencies
- Federal agencies
- Tribes
- Nonprofits
- Private landowners
- Corporations

Competitive Selection Process

The grant process varies by program but is open and competitive.

Generally, grant applications are reviewed by staff and citizen committees, who score the applications based on criteria established by the funding boards or agencies, or based on their fit to strategic plans or national priorities.

The committees submit ranked lists of projects to the funding boards or agencies for consideration.

In some cases, the boards then submit prioritized lists of projects to the Governor, Legislature, or federal agencies for approval.

Outdoor Recreation and Conservation Support Washington's Economy

Washington State is blessed with a rich, natural heritage – from the Pacific Ocean, to the Olympic and Cascade Mountain Ranges, to forests, deserts, and lake studded landscapes. These very natural places not only provide residents and visitors with places to relax, rejuvenate, and recreate, but permanently protect these places to help preserve and drive Washington's economy, accounting for 3.5 percent of gross state product.

The national Outdoor Industry Foundation reports that Washington's active outdoor recreation:

- Contributes more than \$11.7 billion annually to Washington's economy.
- Supports 115,000 jobs across the state.
- Generates \$650 million in annual state tax revenue.
- Produces \$8.5 billion annually in retail sales and services

In addition, parks can help people stay healthy, reducing health care costs, and help reduce the costs of flooding, fires, and other natural disasters

Ensuring a Wise Investment

The Recreation and Conservation Office administers 15 different grant programs aimed at developing outdoor recreation facilities and conserving wildlife habitat and farmland.

Without this state investment in Washington's great outdoors, many local communities would not have the resources to do this important work and opportunities could be lost.

Leveraging Outside Funding

Many of these grant programs are funded with federal dollars. Since 2005, the Recreation and Conservation Office has brought in an average of nearly \$54 million in federal funding each biennium.

The town of Wilson Creek, 30 miles north of Moses Lake, used a \$13,000 Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program grant to renovate its community park.

Case Studies

Vancouver's Park Renovation Attracts \$250 million in Investments

The City of Vancouver spent \$6 million to renovate Esther Short Park downtown. The improvements helped attract \$250 million in new capital investment, including apartments and a hotel and convention center.

Trail Users Spend \$45 Million

Trail users on the Methow Valley trails system report spending \$1,469 per trip, for direct expenditures of \$45 million in 2005.

People buying real estate in the valley are willing to pay more than 11 percent more for property near natural amenities such as a trail or publicly owned land.

In addition to federal funding, Recreation and Conservation Office grants bring in local community funding as well. Most grant recipients are required to match the grant with their own resources—cash, staff labor, equipment, materials, and donations. Grant recipients have contributed more than \$950 million in matching resources.

Providing for Recreation

Parks

Several grant programs provide funding for parks.

- Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account
- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
- Youth Athletic Facilities

These programs provide funding to acquire land and to renovate, build, and equip outdoor facilities, including parks, ball fields, skateboard parks, spray parks, and pools. Grants also fund projects that create access to the waterfront.

Trails

Trails, whether connecting urban areas or providing a backcountry experience, are funded primarily through three grant programs.

- Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicle Activities
- Recreational Trails Program
- Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program

These programs provide grants to buy land, develop trails, and support trail activities, such as planning, maintenance, education, and law enforcement

Boating

There are several grant programs that help Washington meet the needs of boaters. These programs provide grants to acquire, develop, and renovate boating facilities for different types of boats from yachts to canoes.

- Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account
- Boating Facilities Program
- Boating Infrastructure Grant

- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program

Shooting Ranges

One grant program, the Firearms and Archery Range Recreation program, provides funding to support archery and firearm ranges. It provides grants to acquire, develop, and renovate firearm and archery training and practice facilities. It also funds equipment purchases, safety and environmental improvements, noise abatement, and liability insurance.

Conserving Wildlife Habitat and Farmland

Conserving Habitat

There are multiple programs aimed at protecting wildlife habitat.

- Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account
- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program

These grants allow for land purchases and restoration to help conserve unique sensitive and endangered wildlife and plant species.

Salmon Recovery

These programs provide grants to protect and restore salmon habitat.

- Salmon recovery
- Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program
- Family Forest Fish Passage Program
- Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration
- Puget Sound Critical Stock

Farmland Preservation

One grant program, the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, provides grants to protect valuable farmland. Grants may be used to buy voluntary land preservation agreements, also called agricultural conservation easements, which ensure protection of the property for farming into the future.



KING CONSERVATION DISTRICT ASSESSMENT FUNDING INVESTED IN THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

GRANT AWARDS - The District awards grants to local governments, nonprofit organizations, tribes, and other agencies to improve natural resources and increase regional conservation. District funds for projects listed below were collected from an annual, per-parcel assessment for projects in partnership with Member Jurisdictions and/or the three watershed forums. These monies support high-impact projects in both urban and rural areas and are often matched with funding from state, federal, and other sources. For more information on these projects or about the grant programs, please contact Jessica Saavedra at (425) 282-1906 or Jessica.Saavedra@kingcd.org. Visit our website at www.kingcd.org and find us on facebook.

King Conservation District Assessment Funded Member Jurisdiction Grants in the City of Mercer Island

- 1995, Natural Resource Protection, Enhancement and Education Program, \$ 3,353.48
- **2006, Mercer View Community Center Demonstration Project, \$45,000 (photo right)**
- **2008, Island Crest Trail Project, \$71,000 (photo below left)**
- 2011, Neighborhood Tree Planting Program, \$5,870.45
- 2012, Luther Burbank Shoreline Design, \$45,000



Summary of King Conservation District – City of Mercer Island Member Jurisdiction Funding Available for Grants or Services



1994-2011 Assessment Collections	\$174,267.33
2012 Assessment Collections	\$14,958.37
Total Assessment Collections	\$189,225.70
Total Amount of Assessments Utilized to Date (see list of grants and/or services above)	\$178,234.97
Amount Available Today to Utilize for Grants or Services as of 6/20/2013	\$10,990.73
Estimated 2013 Rates & Charges Collections	\$15,032.83
Estimated Total Amount Available to Utilize for Grants or Services (including estimated 2013 collections, subject to change)	\$26,023.56
Under-Utilized Funding Collected 5 or more years ago	-0-

King Conservation District Assessment Funded WRIA 8 Grants in the City of Mercer Island



In 2009, the District awarded a \$20,000 grant to Stewardship Partners for the **WRIA 8 Rain Garden Training and Installation Project**. Three rain gardens were installed throughout the watershed, including one at **Mercer Island High School (photo left)**. Design and construction was estimated at \$4,000 per rain garden and they were installed by students and residents in partnership with Rain Dog Designs and the Friends of the Cedar River Watershed.

Conservation Services

The District provides services to landowners, cities and other organizations. Examples of District-contracted services includes project management and design, engineering, native bare root plants, and fresh water and marine riparian and wetland enhancement projects. For more information about conservation services, please contact Brandy Reed by at (425) 282-1924 or Brandy.Reed@kingcd.org.

- 1999-2000, Ellis Park Pond Enhancement, \$ 7,811.04
- 2006, Luther Burbank Shoreline Enhancement Project, Total Project Cost \$ 17,400 (\$17,200 from KCD funds, \$200 from Mercer Island funds)



Landowner Incentive Program (LIP) Cost-Share Awards

The District supports conservation practices on private property by providing **financial support to landowners** who purchase and install mechanisms that promote conservation. Landowner expenses associated with pre-approved conservation practices are matched with LIP cost-share funding at a ratio of 50 to 90 percent of the total cost of projects. For more information please visit our web page at www.kingcd.org/programs-landowner-incentive.htm or contact Rachel Konrady at (425) 282-1907 or Rachel.Konrady@kingcd.org

- 2008, \$13,000 for Heavy Use Protection Area Best Management Practice Implementation (on private property within the city limits)





Wild Places in City Spaces Grants: the Urban Reforestation and Habitat Restoration Fund

NOT AVAILABLE IN 2013 AND 2014



The urban reforestation and habitat restoration grant fund

Wild Places in City Spaces provides grants up to \$12,000 to volunteer organizations, community groups and government agencies for projects reforesting urban areas and restoring habitat within the Urban Growth Area of King County and incorporated cities.

Examples of projects that can be funded

Removing invasive species and planting native plants in wooded area near another natural area; stream and upland restoration including stewardship training that includes field activities; placement of woody debris and invasive plant removal. See [past examples](#).

Grant amount and deadline

There is no minimum request and the maximum request is \$12,000. The deadline is Feb. 29, 2012.

Eligibility

Proposals must meet the following criteria:

- Must have on-the-ground benefits.
- Provide public access (with appropriate restrictions to protect sensitive resources).
- Address or promote a reforestation or restoration benefit that is scientifically demonstrable, such as increase the diversity of urban forest stands, or improve wildlife habitats.

Conditions

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- Awards typically do not exceed an 18-month period.
- A compelling public benefit is required for those projects located on private land.

[Apply for a grant](#)

For more information about Wild Places in City Spaces grants, please contact [Ken Pritchard](#), Grant Exchange coordinator, King County [Department of Natural Resources and Parks](#).

Related information

- [The Dirt: volunteer opportunities](#)
- [Animals, plants and habitat](#)
- [Forestry services](#)
- [Environmental grants and awards](#)
- [Environmental stewardship](#)

Related agencies

- [Department of Natural Resources and Parks](#)
- [Water and Land Resources Division](#)



Criteria for eligible projects and activities

King County Flood Control District Sub-Regional Opportunity Fund

Consistent with the authority granted in state statute, Flood Control District Resolution 2008-10.2 established the criteria for eligible projects and activities under the Sub-Regional Opportunity Fund.

- Funds can be spent for flood control, stormwater control and cooperative watershed management projects.
- Funds spent on watershed management projects consisting of salmon habitat protection projects **must be linked to the construction of a flood or stormwater project.**
- The authority to spend Flood District funds for flood control and stormwater control is provided in [RCW 86.15.110](#)^{*}, and [RCW 86.15.035](#)^{*} adds the watershed management category, which is linked to [RCW 39.34.190](#)^{*}.

An explanation of each of the eligible categories follows:

1. Flood control improvements may be extended, enlarged, acquired or constructed, provided a comprehensive plan of development for flood control has been developed and the improvement contributes to the objectives of that plan and the plan has been submitted to and approved by the [Washington State Department of Ecology](#). See [RCW 86.15.110 \(1\) and \(2\)](#).^{**}
2. Stormwater control improvements may be extended, enlarged, acquired or constructed, provided a comprehensive plan for stormwater control has been prepared for the area and the improvement is consistent with the stormwater plan. See [RCW 86.15.110 \(1\) and \(2\)](#).^{**}
3. Watershed management projects identified in watershed management partnerships or other intergovernmental agreements for the purposes of water supply, water quality, and water resource and habitat protection and management. See [RCW 86.15.035](#)^{*}. The Board of Supervisors has directed that projects in this category that consist of salmon habitat protection projects **must demonstrate a link** to flooding or stormwater projects. This third category ties into [RCW 39.34.190 - .200](#)^{*}, and under these statutory provisions, up to 10 percent of District revenues (the equivalent of the amount of the Opportunity Fund) may be used for the implementation of watershed management plans, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - Watershed plans developed under [chapter 90.82 RCW](#)^{*};

Related information

- [Environmental grants & awards](#)
- [King County watersheds map](#)
- [Environmental data & trends](#)
- [Stormwater services](#)

Related agencies

- [King County Flood Control District](#)
- [King County Council](#)
- [Department of Natural Resources and Parks](#)
- [Water and Land Resources Division](#)

- Salmon recovery plans developed under [chapter 77.85 RCW*](#);
- Watershed management elements of comprehensive land use plans developed under the Growth Management Act, [chapter 36.70A RCW*](#);
- Watershed management elements of shoreline master programs developed under the Shoreline Management Act, [chapter 90.58 RCW*](#);
- Nonpoint pollution action plans developed under the Puget Sound water quality management planning authorities of [chapter 90.71 RCW*](#) and [chapter 400-12 WAC*](#);
- Other comprehensive management plans addressing watershed health at a WRIA level* or sub-WRIA basin level;
- Coordinated water system plans under [chapter 70.116 RCW*](#) and similar regional plans for water supply; and
- Any combination of the foregoing plans in an integrated watershed management plan.

*External link.

** In categories (1) and (2) above, construction improvements require the development of preliminary engineering studies and plans, and such studies and plans must be on file with the [King County River and Floodplain Management Section](#), which functions as the service provider to the District. For all projects, cost estimates and underlying data must be provided, and the benefit provided by the improvement must be described. See [RCW 86.15.110 \(3\), \(4\) and \(5\)](#)

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2013 Youth Sports Facilities Grant Fund Program Policies and Project Selection Guidelines

Section I.

Introduction and Background:

The General Purpose of the Youth Sports Facilities Grant Fund

The King County Council in Ordinance No. 10454, adopted basic criteria to define the purpose of the "Youth Sports Facilities Grant Fund":

1. The funds shall be made available to develop, renovate, or repair sports facilities primarily serving persons under 21 years of age, including those located in low- and moderate-income communities within King County.
2. A sports facility is defined as any structure or field that is intended to be used primarily for athletic purposes.

In addition, the Council requested that this program do the following:

3. Encourage the leveraging of funds from other sources;
4. Hold an annual request-for-proposal (RFP) process that is integrated as much as possible with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and
5. Minimize administrative costs.

Section II.

Encouraging Community and Public Partnerships

Public areas, including undeveloped parks, fields, and school playgrounds, are already the focus of many neighborhood youth athletic activities. In the case of schools, their fields and often their gyms are generally available to and used by youth sports organizations and the surrounding community in the off hours. Sometimes a field that has fallen into disrepair needs only a modest investment to rehabilitate it (and perhaps a commitment from a youth sports organization or the community to help maintain it) in order for the field to be usable again to the school, youth sports organizations, and the community. Other public lands have the same potential for sports use with a modest investment. Consequently, these policies stress a partnership between public entities with suitable property and the surrounding community or neighborhood including and especially local youth sports organizations.

A. Eligible Activities

Grant funds are available for capital expenses to develop, renovate, or repair sports facilities that increase recreational or athletic opportunities primarily serving persons younger than 21 years of age. Funds are not available for design work (architectural/engineering services) or permits. Grant funds cannot be used to reimburse grant recipient's staff salary. Grant funds cannot be used to purchase items that are not permanently in place, such as balls and uniforms.

Sports facilities are defined as structures, fields, or spaces intended to be used primarily for athletic purposes. Examples of past grant projects include ball fields, ball courts, playgrounds, BMX courses, and skate parks, among others. The application can only address one site or facility. Maximum award is \$75,000, and we discourage any project requesting less than \$5,000.

Projects located on publicly owned property are optimal, such as a school, a city, the county, a park district, or other public entities. Projects may be located on private land if the applying youth sports organization or community group is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and has free and clear title to the property or a long-term lease. Projects should be completed within two years of award. Exceptions may apply.

B. Eligible Geographic Areas

Any area in King County, Washington is eligible.

C. Eligible Applicants/Recipients

This program emphasizes partnerships between community groups and public entities. Applications for projects occurring on publicly owned property must be jointly submitted by a community group or youth sports organization and a public entity. We strongly encourage the development of a long-term use agreement to govern use of the property and assign maintenance responsibilities. The general public must have access to the facility. See Legal and Contractual Requirements, Section IV, for further details.

King County will contract with the public entity for the funds, unless that entity requests the County contract with the community group or sports organization, in which case that group must have 501(c)(3) status. This is a reimbursable grant—once the County receives evidence that the work has been completed, the County will reimburse the contracting agency.

D. Matching Requirements

The program is designed to leverage funds from other sources and requires a 1:4 match requirement. This means that applicants must provide \$1 for every \$4 requested. Match will be evaluated based on its adequacy in completing a quality project more than on simply meeting the match requirements.

Match Criteria:

1. Resources (cash, volunteer services, donations, etc.) can only be credited toward match requirements after the applicant is awarded a notice to proceed upon contracting. Design time and permits can be credited toward match prior to signed contracts. Applicants must keep records of all match resources expended in order to receive full reimbursement.
2. A match may include cash, volunteer labor, donated supplies, or professional services, such as design, engineering, or professional construction.
3. General labor will be valued at \$15 an hour. Volunteer time devoted to fundraising and completing the project application is **not** considered part of the match.
4. Volunteer labor in the form of professional services shall be valued at the reasonable and customary value of the product or service contributed by the professional to the proposed project. Any professional services claimed as a match must be directly related to the project. Please refer to <http://www.workforceexplorer.com> in order to determine hourly wage.
5. At least 25% of the required match must come from the community or sports organization.
6. At least 50% of the required match must come from the public entity.
7. Assistance or funds from King County will not be accepted as match, nor will any Federal Community Development Block Grant funding.
8. The amount and type of match must be appropriate to the needs of the proposed project. The applicant must be prepared to justify that each element of the match, in the amount proposed, is required to complete the proposed project.
9. Match contribution may be pledged by the donors at the time of application as opposed to being collected and in-hand. However, the pledged match must be secure; that is, the applicant must have written evidence to support each element of the match from each donor.
10. If the application does not meet the match requirements, the application may be considered ineligible or receive zero points under this evaluation section.

Requesting a Community Match Reduction:

If the project will be located in and will serve a predominantly low- and moderate-income community, and if the community or youth sports organization is unable to meet the 25% match requirement, applicants may request a community match reduction. Applicants must submit a letter requesting a reduction in community match. The letter must:

- Explain why the reduction is requested
- Confirm that the public agency will make up match difference
- Be signed by both the community group and public agency

Section III. Evaluation and Rating Criteria

Applications meeting the match requirements will be evaluated and rated based on the criteria below. Incomplete application submittals will receive a deduction of five (5) points. Although letters of support are encouraged, excessive use of appended materials is neither encouraged nor to your advantage. An evaluation committee consisting of staff from King County Parks will evaluate applications and rank them by score. This committee will also hold in-person reviews with applicants. Though not mandatory, it is highly recommended that you attend these reviews, usually occurring in September. Using a projection of total funds available, staff will make recommendations to the director for approval. When the Council passes the budget in November, the recommended awards become final and contracting can proceed.

A. Neighborhood/Community Impact (+ 0 to 20 points)

The proposed project addresses a **severe deficiency and high-need** for the particular type of youth sports facility in the service area (evaluated in relation to type and size of project). Maximum points will be awarded to projects addressing a high priority community youth sports facility need. A project will receive zero points if the need for the project is not documented. Applicants need to define the service area. Need and project impact can be established by including information about conditions of existing facilities in relation to populations and program enrollment, if applicable. Examples of documenting need include park plans, community studies, GIS documents, or minutes from public meetings.

B. Project Management (+ 0 to 15 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to projects that are carefully planned and clearly ready to proceed as soon as a grant award is available. The elements of a good plan include:

1. A well-defined scope of work and how the requested YSFG funding plays a role.
2. A detailed time frame. This can be depicted on the budget exhibit.
3. An indication that the applicant has provided for any specialized knowledge or expertise necessary to accomplish the project.
4. Evidence that there is well-established coordination between the joint applicants.
5. Any necessary permits need to be identified and steps taken to obtain them documented.
6. Applicant needs to describe how the facility will be maintained to a safe and playable standard.

C. Project Design (+ 0 to 15 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to projects that are thoughtfully designed and consider the following elements: appropriate and quality materials, function and future needs, accessibility, efficiencies, maintenance, aesthetics, space relationships, and sustainable or green design. For example, an application requesting funds for a synthetic turf will generally outscore an application requesting funds for a grass field. It is advisable to provide a site and facility design document if one is available.

D. Project Budget (+ 0 to 10 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to projects that provide reasonable and reliable budget estimates. Budgets should be detailed enough that reviewers clearly understand where grant funds will be directed and how the costs of the remaining project items will be covered. Please see Example Budget on the [YSFG website](#) for guidance.

E. Quality of Match (+ 0 to 10 points)

Maximum points will be awarded for demonstrating that applicants have a diverse match readily available and sufficient to complete a quality project. For example, evidence of a secure match consisting of cash could be a bank statement or a resolution from the organization committing a specific amount for the project. If the match is volunteer time, pledge sheets of individual commitments with specific time amounts totaling the proposed match is convincing evidence that the match is secure.

Match will be evaluated based on its adequacy in completing a quality project as well as meeting the program requirements.

F. Bonus Points

Five (5) bonus points will be awarded if the application was submitted previously and applicant was advised to make revisions to the project which is reflected in the current application.

Fifteen (15) bonus points will be awarded if the project meets either condition below:

1. The project is located in and will serve a low/moderate-income community. The applicant must show that the project is located in a Census tract that is predominantly (51%) low- and moderate-income (defined as 80% of the median income).

YSFG program staff can provide the Census data. Applicants wishing to qualify for the bonus points are urged to address this issue well before applications are due.

2. The project is located at an elementary school where 40% or more of the students are on the reduced and/or free lunch program. Schools can provide the documentation necessary to receive credit for these bonus points.



For more than 30 years government and non profit groups across King County have used the Conservation Futures Tax (CFT) to protect from development 111,000 acres of land, forests, shorelines, greenways and trails. Funding has supported such diverse projects as Seattle's Duwamish Head Greenbelt, development rights on the Snoqualmie Forest and Puget Sound shoreline in Burien. Parks have been built, salmon habitat restored, and our quality of life improved.

In many cases CFT made the difference between parcels of land being lost to development or keeping it as open space to benefit our environment, health, economy and quality of life. The success of CFT is attributed to:

1. Strong leadership from elected leaders, volunteers, advocates and residents.
2. Grants to cities that support open space priorities in local plans;
3. The requirement of a 100 percent match from other sources.

Learn more about the [history of Conservation Future programs](#).

Conservation Futures Accomplishments

- \$300 million in CFT funds and over \$150 million in matching funds have preserve the irreplaceable
- 108,6000 acres in King County including Maury Island
- 3,200 acres of urban parks and greenways
- Start up funding to preserve over 12,000 acres of farmland in the 1980's and 300 acres since 2000
- 4,700 acres of watershed and salmon habitat
- Critical links connecting regional trails and urban greenbelts.



Get Active; Get Involved

- Watch for vacancies and apply to advisory and citizen committees
- [Volunteer](#) for parks and habitat restoration events in your community
- Share your support or opposition for projects during public processes
- Build appreciation for the legacy—tell friends about the cool places to have fun
- [Enjoy the outdoors, find fresh food, advocate, volunteer](#)



Already involved in resource land conservation?

- Mentor a young person; show them the ropes
- Tell your story and the power of CFT partnerships
- Think of the future and how to protect our quality of life



[Conservation Futures GeoTour is a hit!](#)



[Learn how Conservation Futures preserves open spaces in King County](#) - 12 minute video

See the CFT history

How did we preserve so much green? [See videos](#) of civic and government leaders sharing the local history of protecting farm forests and shorelines over the last 50 years.



[Listen to former Governor D Evans and other leaders of CFT relate their experiences](#)

Executive remarks



[Remarks from King County Executive Dow Constantine the 30th anniversary of Conservation Futures](#)

The Conservation Futures GeoTour

Hi Geocachers, We love your comments and feedback. Our [Facebook page](#) is another place to comment and share photos of your adventures!

Learn more about the tour and how you can get involved in Geocaching by [watching the short video](#). (length 3:45)

History of the Conservation Futures Program

In the early 1970s the Washington State Legislature passed a series of environmental protection laws including the Conservation Futures Tax. The Legislature stated that it was a 'fundamental and inalienable right' of citizens to have a healthy and pleasant environment. Lead sponsor of the CFT, Washington State Senator Alan Bluechel of Kirkland, had the foresight to know counties needed a funding mechanism to protect and preserve resource lands. In 1982, King County became the first county to use CFT funds on the recommendation of the Farmlands Preservation Task Force.

Read more about the [history of Conservation Future programs](#) in Washington State at [HistoryLink.org](#).

For questions about this program, please contact [David Tiemann](#) at 206-296-7775.

News and announcements

August 27, 2013

[Last chance to earn a geoco while touring beautiful King County parks and trails](#)

October 2, 2012

[Take a GeoTour of King County Parks and earn a commemorative coin](#) - Bothel Reporter

Fall, 2012

[Three stories on Conservation Futures](#) - 1.5MB PDF Water Tenders Newsletter

August 28, 2012

[Leaders laud land program 30 years of conservation](#) - TI Issaquah Press

August 28, 2012

[Why King County held a par for a property tax](#) - KPLU New

Appendix 6: Land conservation strategies

Land Conservation Strategies

Source: [Municipal Research and Services Center](#)

Funding options for park and open space acquisition

- Impact fees
- Real estate excise tax
- Conservation futures tax
- General obligation bond
- Fee-in-lieu of dedication of parks and open space
- Grants
- Purchase of development rights program (would still need funding, e.g., bond measure)

Non-monetary options for park and open space acquisition

- Parks and/or open space dedication requirement as part of subdivision
- Density bonus or clustering for preservation of open space
- Density transfer
- Development agreements (not involving fee-in-lieu of dedication)
- Transfer of development rights program
- Less than fee simple - purchase of development rights; conservation easements
- King County four-to-one program

Other incentives for land preservation in open space

- Current use tax assessment

More detail on these options is presented below:

Impact Fees

Impact fees are charges assessed against newly-developing property that attempt to recover the cost incurred by a local government in providing the public facilities required to serve the new development. For counties and cities planning under the Growth Management Act, impact fees are specifically authorized under [RCW 82.02.090\(7\)](#) only for: "(1) public streets and roads; (2) **publicly owned parks, open space, and recreation facilities**; (3) school facilities; and (4) fire protection facilities in jurisdictions that are not part of a fire district." (emphasis added) Typically, if impact fees are imposed, these take the place of a fee-in-lieu program (see below). Impact fees are also authorized under SEPA. The Washington State Environmental Policy Act, [Ch. 43.21C RCW](#), grants broad authority to impose mitigating conditions relating to a project's environmental impacts. Some cities have interpreted SEPA's authority to mitigate environmental impacts to include authority to impose impact fees. A municipality pursuing this course must establish a proper foundation. Local SEPA policies authorizing the exercise of SEPA substantive authority must be adopted and fees imposed must be rationally related to impacts identified in threshold determination documents (primarily environmental checklists) or environmental

impact statements. Fees collected under SEPA may not duplicate fees collected under other sources of authority.

Also see the MRSC Web page on [Impact Fees](#).

Real Estate Excise Tax

A real estate excise tax (REET) is levied on all real estate sales measured by the full selling price, including the amount of any liens, mortgages, and other debts given to secure the purchase. (See [Ch. 82.46 RCW](#).) Also see the discussion of the "Real Estate Excise Tax," in [A Revenue Guide for Washington Counties](#), and MRSC's Web page on [Real Estate Excise Tax](#). The Web page provides information on how various categories of REET funds may be spent.

Conservation Futures Tax

See [RCW 84.34.200 - 84.34.250](#). This levy money may be used solely for the purpose of acquiring rights and interests (such as easements) in real property. Counties that have adopted this tax levy include Clark, Ferry, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Spokane, Thurston, and Whatcom.

Open Space Bond

These would be general obligation bonds, either limited tax general obligation - also called councilmanic bonds - which may be issued by a vote of the county commissioners or unlimited general obligation bonds, which must be approved by 60 percent of the voters, with a voter turnout that is at least 40 percent of those voting in the most recent general election. The county would need to hire a bond counsel if the county decides to issue bonds. If the county decided to authorize the one percent real estate excise tax for conservation areas, the county would probably want to issue councilmanic bonds, pledging the tax receipts for debt service. It would also have to pledge to use general fund monies as a backup, in case the real estate excise tax receipts were insufficient. For more information on bonds, you may want to talk with Judy Cox, MRSC's public finance consultant.

Fee in Lieu of Parks and Open Space

The fee-in-lieu of parks and open space option must be voluntary and is authorized in [RCW 82.02.020](#).

In Washington, local governments have two basic sources of authority for requiring developers to dedicate land for parks: [Ch. 58.17 RCW](#), the State Subdivision Law, and [Ch. 43.21C RCW](#), the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). Under the state subdivision law, cities and towns can insure that developers install appropriate improvements, including parks, recreation, and playground improvements, through their power to approve or disapprove proposed subdivisions. When the dedication of land is not practical or feasible, some cities and counties have provided for the collection of fees from developers in lieu of land dedications pursuant to "voluntary

agreements" adopted under [RCW 82.02.020](#) or as part of a mitigation condition imposed under SEPA.

Under [RCW 82.02.020](#), a county or city may enter into a voluntary agreement with a subdivision developer to allow a payment in lieu of a dedication of land or to mitigate any direct impacts that have been identified as a consequence of the proposed development or subdivision. The permitting agency must be able to establish that an impact fee collected pursuant to a voluntary agreement is "reasonably necessary as a direct result of the proposed development or plat." Funds collected under voluntary agreements must be held in a reserve account and expended on agreed upon capital improvements. Fees must also be expended within five years or be refunded with interest. Court decisions, such as [Vintage Construction Company, Inc. v. City of Bothell](#), 83 Wn. App. 605 (1996), have required cities to demonstrate that the fee be related to the value of the land that might otherwise be dedicated.

You may also be interested in the Washington Supreme Court decision, [Isla Verde v. Camas](#), 146 Wn.2d (7/11/02). This decision addresses the nexus between an open space requirement for a subdivision and the impacts of a particular development.

Grants

See these two links for potential grants for acquisition of park land and open space:

- MRSC's [Grant Resources for Local Governments](#)
- State of Washington's [Infrastructure Database](#) - You can use the database to find potential grant funding resources for park acquisition

Purchase of Development Rights

Many purchase of development rights programs (as well as transfer of development rights programs) have been used to preserve farmlands. Bainbridge Island and San Juan County have developed programs to purchase open space, which may include environmentally critical areas such as wetlands. A funding source, such as a bond issue, would need to be identified for a purchase of development rights program.

Park or Open Space Dedication Requirement

The dedication of land for parks or open space is a typical requirement of subdivisions, as noted above under "Fee in-lieu-of parks." King County requires open space for residential developments of more than four lots, and Sultan requires open space for more than 10 lots.

Density Bonus and Clustering

A density bonus allows the granting of additional dwelling units or floor area beyond the maximum allowed under the zoning in exchange for preserving an amenity at the same or a separate site. Density bonuses are used for many purposes including the preservation of open space and protection of critical areas as well as to promote affordable housing. Density bonuses

are built into planned unit development, planned residential development, and cluster subdivision provisions. Cluster provisions in rural areas may focus on conserving resource lands and promoting larger open space areas consistent with rural character.

Density Transfer

Density transfer involves the transfer of all or part of the permitted density on a parcel to another parcel. Density transfer is also used to protect critical areas and preserve sensitive areas in a natural state.

Development Agreements

Developers may also enter into other agreements with cities that do not involve the payment of money in-lieu-of open space. Such SEPA mitigation agreements might include deferral of subdivision improvements and possibly involve future dedication of land. MRSC legal consultants have advised that these voluntary agreements are not subject to the five-year limitation in [RCW 82.02.020](#).

Conservation Easements

A conservation easement is a legal agreement between a landowner and a land trust or government agency that permanently limits uses of the land in order to protect its conservation values, typically preserving the land as open space or resource land. Conservation easements may be acquired through a purchase or transfer of development rights program or donated on a voluntary basis to a land trust or government agency.

Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Program

TDR involves the removal of the right to develop from land in one area or zoning district and the transfer of that right to land in another area or district, where development is permitted. This is somewhat similar to the density transfer (which is usually limited to a specific adjacent site or development project), although typically TDR involves transferring development rights to other sites (receiving sites), which are sometimes distant from the sending site. TDR programs are commonly used to preserve agricultural lands but may also apply to open space preservation, historic sites, and affordable housing. King County, Spokane County, Bainbridge Island, and Redmond have TDR programs.

King County Four-to-One Program

King County's four-to-one greenway is an innovative program that allows, via a development agreement, the development of one acre of land as urban for every four acres donated as open space. For further information, contact Kim Claussen, King County Department of Development and Environmental Services, 206-296-7167 or E-mail: kimberly.claussen@metrokc.gov.

Current Use Assessment - Open Space

The Washington Open Space Taxation Act ([Ch. 84.34 RCW](#)) allows property owners to have their open space, farm and agricultural, and timber lands valued at their current use rather than at their highest and best use. The current use assessment program helps to preserve private land in open space, farm, and timber use.

Additional Web Resources:

- [King County Parks and Recreation Business Plan](#)
- [More Ways to Play: A Review of Funding Alternatives for Local Park and Recreation Districts](#), by Richard P. Burke, Cascade Policy Institute (Portland, OR) 1998
- [Funding Sources for Greenway Projects](#), Project for Public Spaces
- Trust for Public Land - [Federal Funding Programs](#)
- Washington State Department of Revenue - [Open Space Taxation](#).

In addition, the following items are available on loan from the [MRSC library](#):

- *Protecting Open Space: A Review of Successful Programs and Landowner Perspectives*, Portland (OR) Metro, 1999
- *Open Space: Preservation and Acquisition*, by Ronnie Anne Weiner, Center for the Study of Law and Politics, 1991
- *Open Space Conservation, Investing in Your Community's Economic Health*, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, 1998 (see "Alternatives for Open Space Financing," pp. 10-23)
- "An Open Space Framework for Pend Oreille County," by Lee Nellis for Pend Oreille County, 1995
- *Growing Greener: Putting Conservation into Local Plans and Ordinances*, by Randall G. Arendt, Island Press, 1999 (see pp. 48 - 49 regarding density bonuses)
- "Financing Land Conservation," by Kim Hopper, *IQ Service Report*, ICMA, vol. 33, no. 5, May 2001
- "Parks & Recreation: One way to pay for the places we play," by Nancy Gladwell and James Sellers, *American City & County*, October 1997
- "Winning Pocketbook Support for Public Facilities," by D. Scot Hunsaker, *P & R*, February 1997
- "Funding Plan," from Edmonds Parks, Recreation and Open Space Comprehensive Plan, 2001
- "Park Funding and Land Acquisition," from City of Puyallup, Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan, 2002
- "Appendix B, Funding Strategies," from Kirkland, Comprehensive Park, Open Space, and Recreation Plan, 2001
- *Conservation Toolbox: A Handbook for Community Action*, produced by the Evergreen Agenda Project, 1996
- *Open Ground: Effective Local Strategies for Protecting Natural Resources*, by John R. Nolon, Environmental Law Institute, 2003 (see "Part Four: Strategic Acquisition of Open Lands").

Appendix 7: Public Process documentation

The draft plan was posted on the City's website on November 5, 2013. The website also contained a short survey to test whether the plan has captured needs and demands that should be included. The release of the plan was announced in the MI Weekly on November 6. A press release to the Mercer Island Reporter resulted in an online article on November 7 and a print article on November 13. All publicity and the website referenced the public hearing that was conducted at the City Council meeting On December 2, 2013. The public hearing was noticed in the Mercer Island Reporter. Public comment was received through December 6. A concurrent SEPA review was conducted by the Development Services Group. The draft plan received a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS).

Summary of public comment:

Public input responses – 19 total

Written statements and public appearances at December 2 Council meeting (4)

Public hearing comments (2)

Email (1)

Survey monkey responses (11)

SEPA comment (1)

Desire for new Parks and Recreation Facilities

Playground structure within walking distance (location unspecified somewhere south of 40th and east of ICW)

Sailing and boat rental

Frisbee golf

Trail along 84th Ave SE from SE 28th to SE 40th and through to 86th Ave SE to High School campus

Desire to expand or improve facilities

update play structures

More soccer fields*

More community gardens

Better access to Community Center for residents

Improve Mary Wayte pool*

Beach access for swimming and boating

Volunteering to keep parkland in natural state for hiking, scenic views, and wildlife habitat

Gathering area and informal play space in Upper Luther Burbank Park

Conduct a wildlife baseline study of Mercer Island

Maintain the East Seattle old Boys and Girls Club site for Parks and Recreation

Trails (6 separate comments total)*

- Improved safety for pedestrians on East and West Mercer Ways
- bike trails
- Keep the Island Glen trail
- Improve walking on sidewalks
- Hiking on trails
- Waterfront trails

*denotes more than one comment received on this topic

Appendix 8: Resolution 1476 adopting the 2014-2019 City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Plan.



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WA**

**AB 4913
January 21, 2014
Regular Business**

**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES GROUP BUDGET
AUTHORIZATION**

Proposed Council Action:

Authorize proposed budget request.

DEPARTMENT OF Development Services Group (Scott Greenberg)

COUNCIL LIAISON n/a

EXHIBITS n/a

APPROVED BY CITY MANAGER  1/15/2014

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$	203,000
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$	0
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$	203,000

SUMMARY

BACKGROUND

The Development Services Group (DSG) is projecting a continued significant unplanned increase in development activity in 2014 along with the possibility of the Mercer Island School District bond measure meeting voter approval. *With current resources, staff will be unable to meet the community's expectations for customer service in the areas of permit review, construction inspection, and land use planning. In addition, existing staff levels are not adequate to timely process permits for the Mercer Island School District should the upcoming bond measure be approved by voters.*

In June 2013, the City Council approved a \$200,000 budget authorization to fund a temporary Assistant Planner position, and on-call plan review and inspection for 2013 and 2014. At that time, staff informed the City Council that additional resources might be needed to maintain customer service levels.

In order to respond to continued increases in development activity, staff is requesting an additional 2014 budget appropriation of \$203,000 for the additional temporary resources described below and on Table 1. This request would provide increase capacity to review and process permits for the proposed Mercer Island School District projects if the school bond measure passes in February 2014. This would also provide additional capacity for staff to handle the higher than expected permit activity levels. These additional resources represent a limited, minimum response to the current and projected development activity level in 2014.

- **Funding for additional on-call building plan reviewer and inspector:** This funding would be used to supplement existing building plan review and inspection staff so that the construction permits for the proposed School District projects can be processed in a timely and efficient manner. These services would be needed only if the Mercer Island School District bond issue passes on February 11, 2014 and would be fully supported by building permit fees for the proposed school projects. Staff is requesting \$60,000 for the remainder of 2014.

- **Funding for additional planning services:** This funding would be used to supplement existing planning staff so that the land use permits and environmental reviews for the proposed School District projects can be expedited to meet aggressive timelines requested by District staff. These services would be needed only if the Mercer Island School District bond issue passes on February 11, 2014, and would be funded by the School District. Staff is requesting \$50,000 for the remainder of 2014. This will be a contract employee position.
- **Funding for on-call utility/street inspector:** This funding would be used to supplement existing engineering staff. The position would provide on-call inspection services for the proposed work at Mercer Island High School as well as inspection services for non-school projects that will be under construction in 2014. These services are needed both if Mercer Island School District bond issue passes on February 11, 2014 and to maintain current levels of customer service in light of increased permit and construction activity. Staff is requesting \$50,000 for the remainder of 2014. The School District will provide \$20,000 of funding while increased permit activity revenue will fund \$30,000.
- **Funding for Permit Coordinator:** This funding would be used for a part-time Permit Coordinator to assist with customer service activities at DSG's front counter. The Permit Coordinator provides direct services to the public, including permit intake, coordination and issuance. This position is fully supported by increased permit activity revenue. Staff is requesting \$43,000 for the remainder of 2014. This will be a contract employee position.

Table 1—Summary of Resource Request

RESOURCE	COST	REVENUE SOURCES	
		MERCER ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT	INCREASED PERMIT ACTIVITY REVENUE
On-Call Plan Reviewer/Inspector	\$60,000	\$60,000 (from building permit fees)	
Planner	\$50,000	\$50,000	
On-Call Utility/Street Inspector	\$50,000	\$20,000	\$30,000
Permit Coordinator	\$43,000		\$43,000
TOTAL	\$203,000	\$130,000	\$73,000

PROPOSED FUNDING

The requested \$203,000 budget authorization would be fully funded by a combination of the School District bond proceeds (\$130,000) and increased permit activity revenue projected through the end of 2014 (\$73,000). Budgeted development fee revenue for 2014 is \$1.43 million. Forecasted development fee revenue for 2014 is \$1.88 million. The \$450,000 difference between the budgeted and forecasted development fee revenue will cover the proposed \$73,000 City expenditure and also recognizes greater cost recovery per Council action increasing development permit fees at the end of 2013.

BUDGET POLICIES

The proposed budget request is supported by the following City Council Budget Policies:

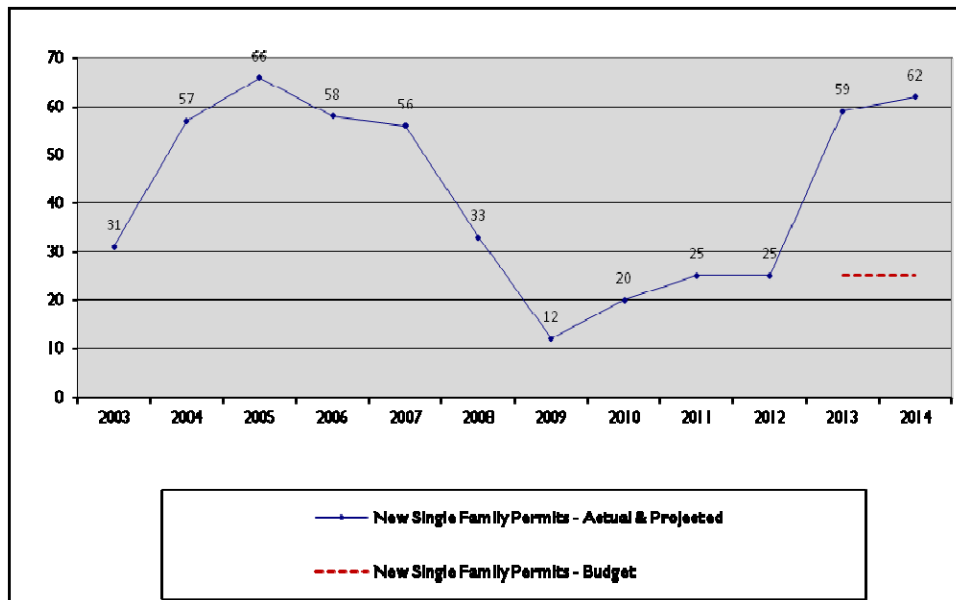
- DSG should carefully balance resources with workload and maintain sufficient staff (and if needed outside consultant) resources to maintain the high level of customer service for permit and plan review. Maintaining quick permit turnaround times allows staff to facilitate construction which then generates sales tax and property tax revenue.
- DSG’s workload and resources should be carefully monitored to identify any significant changes in budget assumptions and to take prompt action during the 2013-2014 biennium if warranted.

INCREASED PERMIT WORKLOAD

In addition to the resources necessary to timely process the School District permits, resources are needed to address increased volume of development activity. Permit review workload is largely impacted by several key indicators: single-family permits (new construction, remodels and additions), total building valuation, and pre-application meetings. All of these indicators demonstrate substantial increases to the previously projected DSG workload.

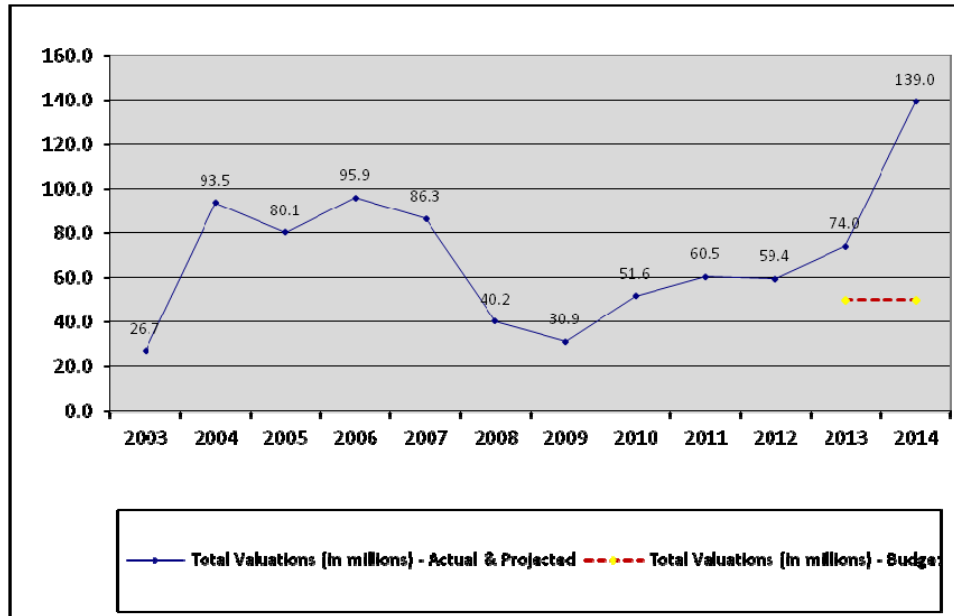
For instance, in 2013, new single-family home permits were at their highest level since 2005 and are projected to continue at higher than planned levels through 2014 (see Figure 1). DSG staff is currently reviewing permits for 33 new single-family homes to be issued in 2014. In addition, the City is currently reviewing or has approved subdivisions and short plats totaling 50 lots that staff expects to be permitted for new homes in 2014 or 2015. The number of new single-family home permits issued in 2014 likely will exceed the number the City issued in 2013.

Figure 1—New Single Family Permits



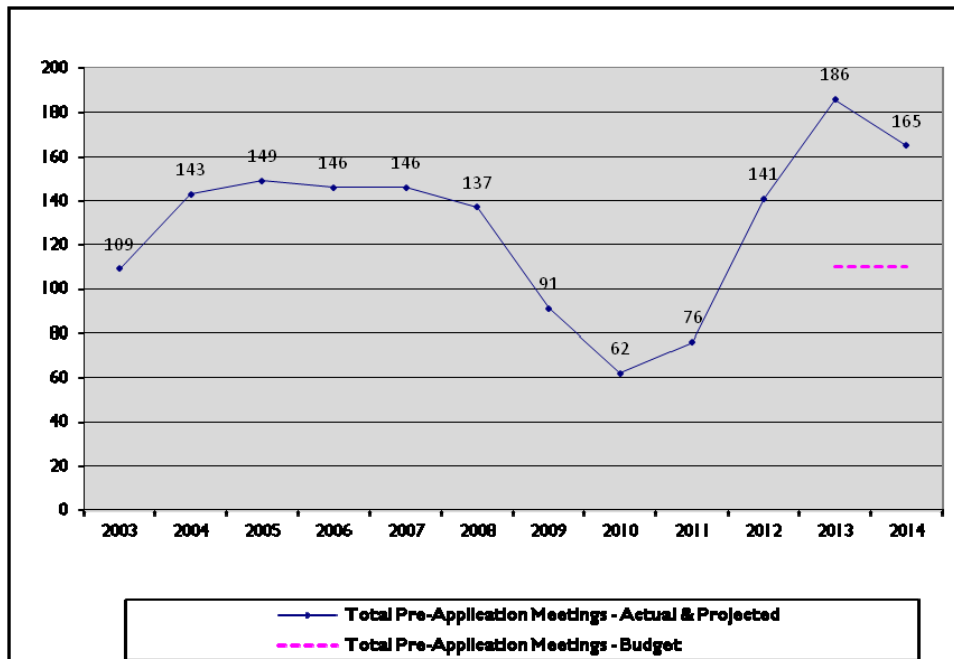
Total building valuation is an indicator of both commercial and residential permits. It accounts for large projects that are processed as one building permit but require significant resources for review and inspection (such as Aviara or Legacy). As shown in Figure 2, this indicator was significantly higher than projected in 2013. Staff expects total valuation to be significantly higher in 2014.

Figure 2—Total Building Valuation



A good measure of future activity is the number of pre-application meetings. These are meetings held with customers who are planning to submit applications for a mixture of new land use and building projects. As shown in Figure 3, the number of pre-application meetings held in 2013 was the highest in the past 10 years. To be conservative, staff is projecting fewer pre-application meetings in 2014. These are the building and land use permits and inspections of the future.

Figure 3—Pre-Application Meetings



TURNAROUND TIMES

The City Council has established a performance standard of meeting City permit processing and review timelines for 90% of all building permits. Permit processing and review timelines were met for only 82% of all building permits in 2013. Without the proposed resources, it is likely that review timelines will increase significantly.

In addition to declining customer service levels, given current staffing resources, there is no flexibility for accommodating unplanned projects, emergencies, and additional priorities. When the workload exceeds resource capacity, customer service suffers. Applicants will experience delays in permit issuance and construction inspection, which can add significantly to the cost of development. This mostly affects single-family homeowners. A delay in permit issuance also delays the construction sales tax revenue distributed to the City.

The requested resources will allow DSG to maintain an acceptable level of customer service and move closer to established turnaround times, which are critical to our permit applicants.

SUMMARY

Development is cyclical in nature. Development activities, fees and the sales and real estate taxes generated by those activities change from year to year with the ups and downs of the economy. In addition, many development projects are not completed within a single year, with some taking several years to complete. DSG staffing and outside consultant resource levels must be carefully increased or decreased to respond to these swings in activity if expected levels of customer service are to be maintained.

Following the 2004-2007 boom years, aggressive real estate activity came quickly to an end during the latter part of 2008 and throughout 2009, with both workload and revenues in decline. DSG responded to this slowdown by reducing staff and eliminating most outside consultant plan review. The increased construction activity of 2010-2011 continued with modest increases into 2012 and even higher increases into 2013. DSG now faces the challenge of scaled back resources (workforce and outside consultants) with an increasing workload. If customer service levels are to be maintained, it is essential to adjust resource levels to handle increased permit activity during 2014.

In addition, when permit approvals are delayed as a result of longer processing times, there is a corresponding impact on the collection of sales tax on a development project and delays in the addition of "new construction" value to the property tax rolls.

This modest proposal for additional temporary and on-call permit-related resources is an investment in continued customer service that is fully funded by the School District and by revenues from increased permit activity. Without these added resources, DSG will need to reduce customer service to levels that current staff can support.

RECOMMENDATION

Development Services Group Director

- MOVE TO:
1. Appropriate \$60,000 for on-call building plan review and inspection services, \$50,000 for planning services, and \$20,000 for on-call utility and street inspection services in 2014, contingent upon voter approval of the Mercer Island School District's February 2014 bond measure.
 2. Appropriate \$30,000 for on-call utility and street inspection services and \$43,000 for a part-time Permit Coordinator in 2014, which will be funded by revenue from increased permit activity.



CITY COUNCIL PLANNING SCHEDULE

All meetings are held in the City Hall Council Chambers unless otherwise noted.
 Special Meetings and Study Sessions begin at 6:00 pm. Regular Meetings begin at 7:00 pm.

JANUARY 21 (TUESDAY) – STUDY SESSION: 6-8 PM, REGULAR MEETING: 8 PM

Item Type	Topic/Presenter	Time
<i>Study Session (6:00-8:00 pm)</i>	WSDOT, Sound Transit, and King County Metro Briefing Regarding R&A Project, Light Rail Project and Proposed Bus Turnaround – N. Treat	120
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	Transportation Consultant Contract – SE 40th St Cumulative Impacts Analysis – P. Yamashita	--
<i>Regular Business</i>	Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan Update (2nd Reading & Adoption) – B. Fletcher	30
<i>Regular Business</i>	Development Services Group Budget Authorization – S. Greenberg	30
<i>Executive Session</i>	To discuss negotiations and proceedings related to collective bargaining agreements pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) for approximately 30 minutes	30

JANUARY 24-26

	2014 Planning Session (MICEC)	
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FEBRUARY 3

Item Type	Topic/Presenter	Time
<i>Study Session</i>	PSRC Growing Transit Communities Presentation—S. Greenberg and PSRC Staff	60
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	Set Public Meeting Date for Coval Long Plat – S. Crick	--
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	Police Collective Bargaining Agreement 2014-2015 – K. Segle	--
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	ARCH 2014 Administrative Budget and Work Program – S. Greenberg	--
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	ARCH 2013 Trust Fund Recommendations – S. Greenberg	--
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	2013 Arterial and Residential Street Overlays Project Close Out – C. Morris	--
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	2013 Arterial and Residential Chip Seal Project Close Out – C. Morris	--
<i>Regular Business</i>	Senior Advisory Board Transition – C. Goodwin	30
<i>Regular Business</i>	2014 Comprehensive Plan Update Scope of Work – S. Greenberg	45
<i>Executive Session</i>	To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) for approximately 30 minutes	30

FEBRUARY 24 – STUDY SESSION: 6-8 PM, REGULAR MEETING: 8 PM

Item Type	Topic/Presenter	Time
<i>Study Session (6:00-8:00 pm)</i>	Transportation Policy and Budget Issues – (Budget – C. Corder) (Complete Streets Policy and Level of Service – P. Yamashita) (Pavement Condition Index Discussion – C. Morris)	120
<i>Public Meeting</i>	Public Meeting for Coval Long Plat – S. Crick	60
<i>Regular Business</i>	Sewer Utility Regulations Code Amendments (2nd Reading & Adoption)—G. Boettcher	60

MARCH 3

Item Type	Topic/Presenter	Time
<i>Regular Business</i>	Code Enforcement Provisions—K. Knight	45

MARCH 17		
Item Type	Topic/Presenter	Time
<i>Consent Calendar</i>	eCityGov Alliance Interlocal Agreement Update	30
<i>Regular Business</i>	2015-2020 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget Kick-Off—C. Corder	60

MARCH 31		
Item Type	Topic/Presenter	Time
<i>Regular Business</i>	4 th Quarter 2013 Financial Status Report & Budget Adjustments—C. Corder	60

APRIL 21		
Item Type	Topic/Presenter	Time
<i>Regular Business</i>	Thrift Shop Renovation/Expansion Project Decision—C. Corder	30

OTHER ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED:

- Thrift Shop Expansion Project Update – C. Goodwin & C. Corder
- 2014 Budget Hearings – C. Corder
- P Zone Text Amendments – S. Greenberg
- Comcast Franchise—K. Knight
- Conner Townhomes Long Plat – G. Steirer

COUNCILMEMBER ABSENCES:

None