

1995 Master Plan

- Prior plan was adopted in 1995 following 4-year citizen effort.
- Very general and broad with very limited citizen buy-in.
- Included “Green Area” and “Parks and Recreation” and other policies but few were ever implemented.
- Minor updates in the late 90’s with major updates adopted in early 2000’s following major annexation.
- Land Use map was only regularly used component but didn’t include intent . Plan was not conveying the desired future for Parkville.



Master Plan Update

Following another citizen driven effort, the City decided to undertake a more comprehensive effort. Hired a consultant and then professional staff.

The adopted plan is the result of a multi-year process and built around priorities and principles identified through numerous citizen workshops and public meetings.



Master Plan Update

The Parkville Master Plan is the comprehensive guide for development and redevelopment of the community. It is intended to guide policy and provide recommendations for future actions involving land development, sustainability, development design, provision of infrastructure, preservation of open spaces and natural resources, and preservation of the community character.



Master Plan Update

“We are living close to paradise in Parkville.”

-Bill Grigsby



One of the “top 50 places to live in America”

-Men’s Journal, April 2007

One the “ten coolest small towns in America”

-Budget Travel Magazine, Sept. 2007

Guiding Principles

- Community Sustainability
- Community Character
- Environmental Stewardship
- Park, Civic and Open Spaces
- Integrated Land Use
- Downtown – Old Town District
- Transportation / Connectivity



Park, Civic & Open Spaces



- Link neighborhoods to surrounding areas, and when possible, share commercial spaces and open space resources.
- Locate public green spaces, ranging from small playgrounds within easy walking distance from homes to neighborhood parks, within easy access of residents in a quality neighborhood.

Park, Civic & Open Spaces

- Lay out streets in a pedestrian-friendly, interconnected network, attractively landscaped to encourage walking.
- Provide public spaces that encourage social interaction, foster a distinct sense of place, are memorable, reinforce the character and include amenities that provide comfort and relaxation in all seasons.



Park, Civic & Open Spaces

- Preserve major natural features in a neighborhood (streams, slopes, wetlands, floodplains and natural habitats) as open space and link those resources to public places by trails and pathways.
- Incorporate features and amenities that minimize environmental impacts on water quality caused by storm water runoff and erosion, and on air quality caused by motor vehicle traffic.



Park, Civic & Open Spaces

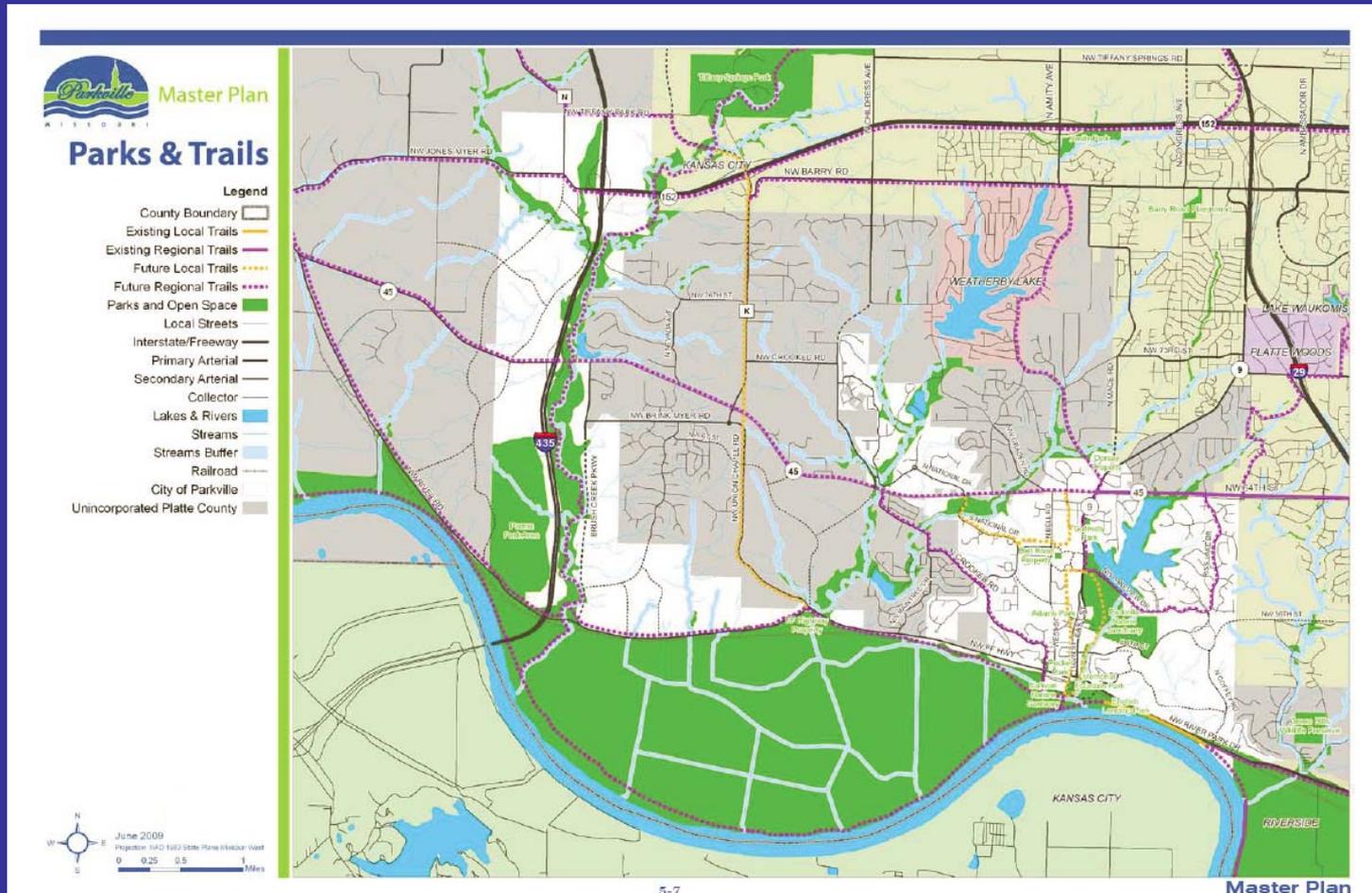
Culmination of principles focused on 3 primary objectives:

1. maintain natural open spaces;
2. create intimate spaces;
3. expand the parks and recreation system.



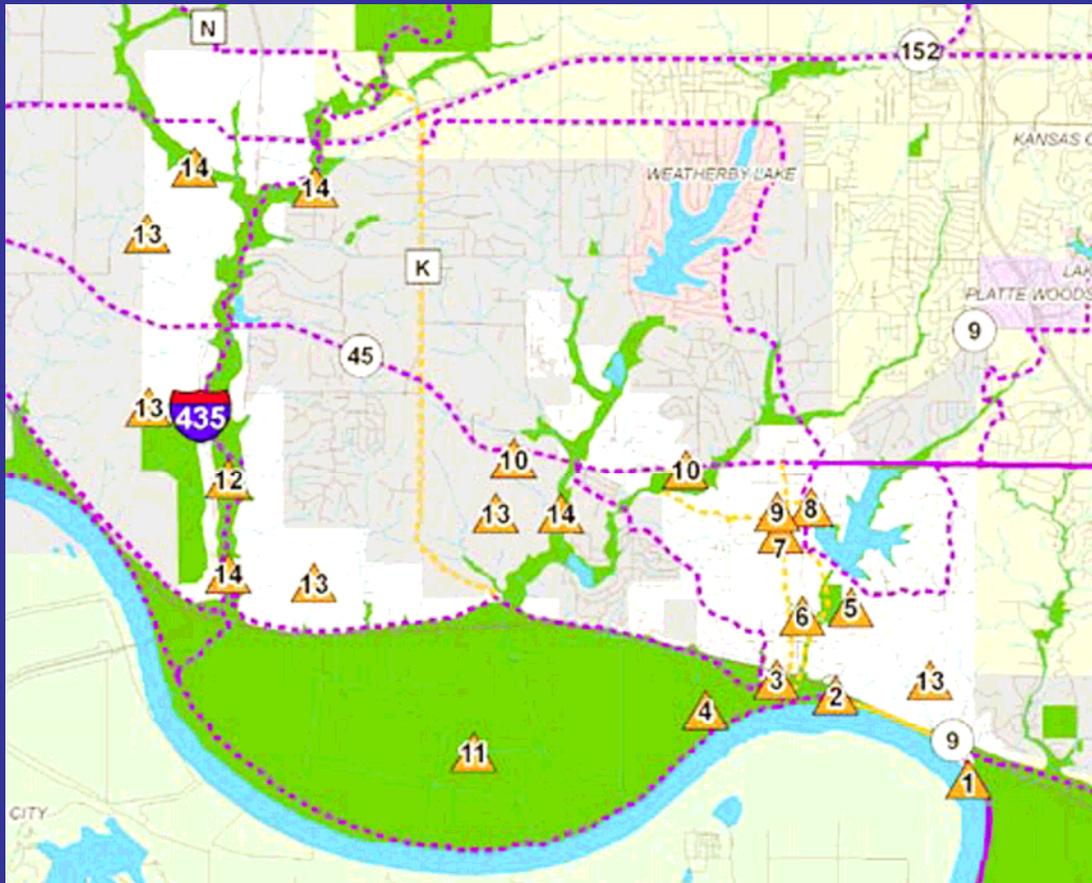
Park, Civic & Open Spaces

Parks & Trails Map identifies major trail and open space projections.



Park, Civic & Open Spaces

Major priorities were articulated through a “*Major Objectives Areas*” map and individual project descriptions.



Objective (1) – Connect the Missouri River Front Trail to English Landing Trail

Complete the approximately ½ mile connection between the Missouri Riverfront Trail in Riverside and the English Landing Park trail system. This will increase access to both trails and greatly expand the access to English Landing Park. This improvement is identified as the County’s number one trail expansion priority.

Park, Civic & Open Spaces

Responsibilities divided among three entities:

- **Private Development:** Responsible for: their local needs; private system maintenance through sustainable funds; and contribution to citywide system.



Private amenities meet neighborhood needs.

- **City of Parkville:** Responsible for: citywide facilities including community parks and local citywide trails and sidewalks; ongoing maintenance, operations and sustainable funding for existing and expanded system.

Park, Civic & Open Spaces

Responsibilities divided among three entities:

- City, County & Other Regional Partners: Responsible to: provide for the development and long-term maintenance of regional facilities, such as major expansion of recreational facilities along the Missouri River and expansion and maintenance of regional greenways and trails.



Park, Civic & Open Spaces

Primary Implementation Actions:

- Expand the parks and open space system along the Missouri River corridor.
- Implement sidewalk and trail improvements throughout the city including implementation of the Parkville Parks Master Plan (P3), Platte County Parks System Master Plan, Northland Trails Vision Plan, and the MetroGreen Plan as they apply to Parkville.



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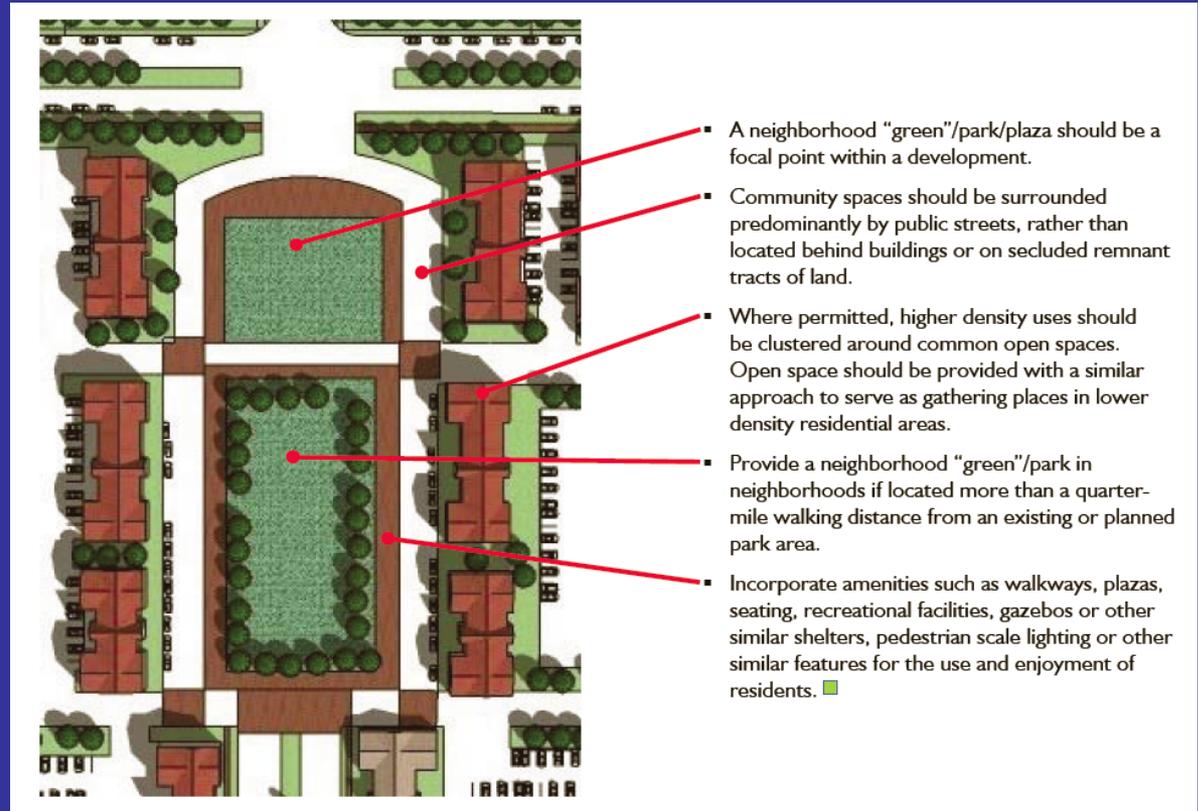
- Partner with Platte County to acquire, construct and maintain new parks, open space and trails.
- Update the City development regulations to create standards for developed and natural parks and open space areas in new developments.
- Incorporate pedestrian and civic amenities in design guidelines and new development projects.



Park, Civic & Open Spaces

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Questions?

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