



5-YEAR MASTER PLAN 2018-2022

***A Comprehensive Master Plan created by the
Angola Parks & Recreation Board and Department***

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ANGOLA PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
5-Year Parks & Recreation Master Plan

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INTRODUCTION

The Angola Parks & Recreation Board and Department has prepared the following 5-Year Parks & Recreation Master Plan with input solicited throughout the year from the community and park users. This plan serves as a working document to help guide the department to fulfill the needs of Angola's citizens. Even though the population growth over the last five years has not been what was expected, recent trends in job growth show the potential for great population growth soon. More job opportunities mean the Park needs to create a sense of place that will attract those working in the area to move here. We are responsible for assisting the industry growth in creating a positive quality of life for Angola. We are still small enough to have regular contact with park users, which gives us a leg up on other areas with large departments. The most recent effort to collect feedback has proven successful, with a 24% response rate on our survey. This adds to the contact with park users to give us an accurate sense of what our citizens need and want.

The information was compiled from input from the community and Park Board Members and was authored by Park Superintendent Matthew Hanna. Our ongoing goal is to have a well-maintained park system that can be enjoyed by all and programs/events which allow participation from citizens of all ages, abilities and financial status.

The Angola Parks & Recreation Department has been a part of the community for over forty years now; providing family-oriented entertainment and events, and by providing a safe place for people to participate in a wide array of activities.

With this plan to help guide us, we are dedicated to continue working to maintain and improve our parks for the citizens of Angola and all who come to enjoy Angola's parks.

Matthew Hanna, Superintendent
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DEFINITION OF THE PLANNING AREA

The City of Angola is in Pleasant Township, Steuben County, Indiana. Steuben County is situated in the northeast corner of Indiana, bordering Michigan to the north and Ohio to the east. Our jurisdictional area, Angola city limits, determines our base planning area, but with our City's continued growth we include a buffer zone around Angola. The City of Angola is approximately 6.4 square miles in area. We continually monitor new annexation areas and the direction of growth so we can remain successful in serving the parks and recreational needs of our community. Keeping this in mind, we strive to maintain awareness of available property to expand our parks to new areas of the City and beyond, and to help protect and preserve the environmental quality of our area. We feel fortunate to have Pokagon State Park and numerous preserve areas for the enjoyment of our residents, but locally we fill an easy access, close to home, something for the entire family, niche.

GOALS OF THE PLAN

Angola Park Board and Department have agreed on the following goals:

- To gather input and feedback from a diverse group of Angola residents and other park users, and report it in an accurate manner.
- Use a needs analysis, combined with national recreation standards, to create new priorities for parks and recreation in Angola.
- Create a plan that looks to the future and provides useful information and guidance for the next five years in Angola's parks system.
- Present the plan to our community and gain acceptance.
- Submit the plan to IDNR in a timely manner, and receive their approval to apply for LWCF grants.

ANGOLA PARK BOARD & DEPARTMENT

Angola Park Board

The Angola Park Board was established in 1976, according to the requirements of Indiana Code 36-10-3. The Board consists of five members, serving four-year terms. The current Angola Park Board is:

Jacquelyn Wahlig, President
P.O. Box 462
Angola, IN 46703
Term: Jan. 1, 2016 – Dec. 31, 2019

Betty Selman, Vice-President
1327 Hammel Drive
Angola, IN 46703
Term: Jan. 1, 2016 – Dec. 31, 2019

Suzy Adams
422 S. Wayne St.
Angola, IN 46703
Term: Jan. 1, 2018 – Dec. 31, 2021

Veryl Carpenter
400 Clyde Avenue
Angola, IN 46703
Term: Jan. 1, 2018 – Dec. 31, 2021

Scott Poor
143 Chaudoin Drive
Angola, IN 46703
Term: Jan. 1, 2016 – Dec. 31, 2019

Angola Parks & Recreation

Staff

Matthew Hanna, Superintendent
Hired: September 6, 2004

Robert Allshouse, Assistant Superintendent
Hired: August 29, 2005

Nina Onofrietti, Events & Marketing
Hired: May 23, 2016

Nathan O'Rourke, Maintenance
Hired: September 1, 2016

Mike Yerina, Maintenance
Hired: January 30, 2017

In addition to these five full-time employees, Angola Parks & Recreation employs eight to ten seasonal and part-time workers for both maintenance and programs.

Park Office

The office is in Commons Park, 299 South John Street, Angola, IN 46703.
Office hours are 10:00AM – 5:00PM Monday-Thursday.
Phone: 260-665-1588
E-Mail: parks@angolain.org
Website: www.angolain.org

Angola Park Board Mission Statement

“Angola Parks & Recreation Department will strive to provide safe, high quality parks and facilities, to preserve natural areas, and offer programs and events through effective management of financial resources. The Department will work in cooperation with other service providers in the community to provide the best resources for recreation and management, maximizing the quality of life for our community.”

Angola Park Board Goals

- Create, expand and maintain a balanced system of park and open space areas throughout our City and surrounding area by utilizing available land and resources.
- Provide a wide range of recreational opportunities by developing facilities for people of all ages and physical abilities.
- Maintain and improve the environmental quality of all our parks through natural resource management.
(Per City Code 95.25B) “All park lands shall be wild game preserves.”
- Maintain and improve recreational/general foot-bicycle routes throughout our City, linking parks, schools, public facilities and services.
- Recognize and address both current and future community needs to maintain a balanced park system.
- Provide parks and facilities in which our citizens can feel safe, enjoy themselves and experience nature.

Volunteers

Without volunteers, our children’s programs and events would be impossible. Over recent years we have seen an increase in the number of groups wanting to volunteer at the park. Many community groups are required to provide service to the community. We have created a positive presence in the community and those groups are now wanting to help improve their local park system. They provide invaluable assistance by helping with events and various community service projects. Without our dedicated group of volunteers and organizations, we would not be able to provide the quality of park programs that we currently offer for FREE.

Facility Inventory

Angola has three existing neighborhood parks, each serving a different quadrant of the City and within walking distance of each other. These parks range from a few acres each to our 100 acres at Commons Park.

- **Commons Park** is located at 299 S. John St. and is our largest park. It is the location of most of our events and programs. The original 22.49 acres were purchased with help from a LWCF grant in 1976. In 1994, utilizing another matching LWCF grant, an additional 81.14 acres was purchased to make Commons Park a total of 103.63 acres. Commons Park features a large, 20-year-old community built wooden playground, five pavilions, a bandstand, basketball court, volleyball courts, horse shoe pits, a soccer field, 3 ball fields, 4 handicapped accessible restrooms and our office/maintenance building. We also have a couple permanent grills, a swing set, and many picnic and relaxing sites with tables and benches. This park also hosts a ½ mile paved walking trail in conjunction with the newly finished portion of the Steuben County trail system. Within Commons Park there are also grass nature trails, an archery range, fenced dog exercise area, a Memorial Tree display and a small wetland with a wildlife overlook and a natural spring with a deck. An abundant array of wildlife can be seen in these areas. Winter ice skating is available, weather permitting.
- **Firemen's Park** is an 8-acre outdoor recreation area located at the corner of Mill St. and Williams St. that provides the public with a variety of outdoor recreation, including baseball/softball fields, basketball court, shuffleboard, volleyball, a newer playground and a separate play area. One well used open-air pavilion provides for picnicking and group functions. The pavilion and its restrooms are handicap accessible.
- **Nature Park** is a 10.2-acre natural site located in the southwest corner of Angola, at the corner of Butler St. and Ettinger St. near Trine University. This park sports a basketball court and offers an area for picnicking and passive recreation. This park does not offer running water or restrooms. The rough foot trails give the public access to wetlands, a marsh and man-made pond.
- **Industrial Area** is an 8.65-acre parcel, which has not been officially named to date. This is an existing wetland and wildlife area, located on Nusbaum Dr., a dead-end road in Angola's Industrial Park. This road is between Wendell Jacob Ave. and Pokagon Trail. This is located in a Steuben County flood zone area.

Current Programs and Events

Angola Parks Department provides a schedule of events and programs that attract a diverse mix of users. We have responded to the needs of our community by providing a **FREE** summer program for children, as well as many **FREE** family oriented events.

Summer Sports Program – This program consists of eight weeks of programs, a different program each week. This program has grown from around 10 kids, to as many as 70 participants over the last 5 years. These are some of the topics covered in the Summer Sports Program:

DNR Hunter Safety- Taught by DNR certified instructor.

Basketball Clinic

Backyard Games & Crafts

Golf Clinic

Soccer Clinic

Tennis and Pickleball

Football Clinic

Volleyball Clinic

Softball/Baseball Clinic

2017 Event Schedule – This schedule varies slightly each year.

EASTER EGG HUNT - SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH @ 11:00AM

CITY-WIDE TREE GIVEAWAY - THURSDAY, APRIL 27TH

MEMORIAL TREE DEDICATION - FRIDAY, APRIL 28th @ 1:00PM

PIG OUT IN THE PARK - FRIDAY JUNE 2ND @ 11:00AM-2:00PM

SPRING CONCERT- FRIDAY JUNE 16TH @ 6:00PM-9:00PM

KIDS NIGHT IN THE PARK - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21 @ 6:00PM-8:00PM

MUSIC AMERICANA - MONDAY, JULY 3RD @ 7:00PM

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION - TUESDAY, JULY 4TH

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH - SATURDAY, JULY 29TH @ 12:00PM-3:00PM

END OF SUMMER CONCERT - FRIDAY, AUGUST 18TH @ 5:00PM-9:00PM

CIVIL WAR DAYS - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

HALLOWEEN FUN- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21ST @ 6:00PM-8:00PM

Other programs

YOGA BASICS- New to the Park in 2017 was Yoga lessons. This was done on six different Saturdays throughout the summer. It was promoted as CO-ED, all fitness levels, and all ages. This program allowed people to enjoy a fitness class in a beautiful park setting.

PICKLEBALL INTRODUCTORY COURSE- Two pickleball courts were added to the park in 2017, raising curiosity and questions among residents. The Angola Parks & Recreation responded by offering a free introductory course on two separate occasions. This helped people better understand the game and increased awareness of the sport.

Other Recreation Providers

Angola residents are fortunate to have several available opportunities for recreation in the Steuben County area. Following is a partial list:

- Steuben County YMCA - Use is through paid membership only.
(There is a grant program for low income families.)
- Pokagon State Park - We are a fortunate community to have this great resource available.
- Angola Kids League - This organization has been successfully organizing kid's softball, baseball, and football leagues for many years in our community.
- Varied Sports Clinics for kids are available through Trine University.
(There is a substantial fee to participate in their clinics)
- ACRES Land Trust- This organization has many nature preserves within Steuben County, and a newly acquired preserve within the City of Angola limits named "Marion's Woods". ACRES provide residents with many outdoor recreation opportunities and programs.
- IDNR- Provides opportunities for various outdoor recreational activities, with much of their land open to hunting, fishing, hiking, or wildlife observance.
- Local Churches are very active in our community with recreational programs.
(Most use is from members of their congregations)

Along with these recreational opportunities, there are five area golf courses, 101 lakes for water recreation, various fitness centers and much more. Our community has programs through schools, local libraries, 4-H, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and YMCA. Most of these entities must charge fees for their programs, limiting participation to only those who can afford them. Angola's Park Board sees the value of offering **FREE** programs and events. We feel that by eliminating the fees, we make our programs and events accessible to all who live in our community. The Board has discussed this policy many times and continues to support the idea of free events.

Budget

Over the last five years, the Angola Parks and Recreation's budget has steadily increased, allowing for the replacement of a once frozen full-time maintenance position and the addition of an Events and Marketing Coordinator. A few Capital Improvement projects have been accomplished, as well as preventative maintenance. With the increased budget, and filled employee positions, the Parks have been able to increase program and event attendance. The parks have tackled many safety issues and repaired many aging structures. These budget increases have allowed the Angola Parks to move in a forward, positive direction.

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Monthly financial print-outs are distributed to the Angola Park Board, allowing members to keep apprised of expenditures and more. In addition to our budgeted accounts, we also have a Non-Reverting Capital Improvement Fund, Dedicated Donations Funds, and Endowment Funds with Steuben County Community Foundation. Our department utilizes these unbudgeted funds, through board approval, for targeted projects within Angola's park system. In 2018, Angola will begin a Cumulative Building Fund, to save funds for additional park lands and capital improvements. This will help fund the anticipated growth and added parks for the future.

ANGOLA PARKS & RECREATION BUDGET COMPARISONS

YEAR	WAGES, BENEFITS, RELATED EXPENSES	OPERATING SUPPLIES & EXPENSES	TREE MAINT. & PURCHASES	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL BUDGET
2014	\$280,400	\$127,400	\$20,000	\$42,000	\$480,800
2015	\$302,300	\$147,900	\$30,000	\$0	\$473,200
2016	\$372,300	\$159,300	\$30,000	\$95,000	\$661,700
2017	\$441,700	\$168,000	\$32,000	\$0	\$694,700
2018	\$430,900	\$178,800	\$32,000	\$0	\$644,700

(2018 is proposed and subject to change)

NATURAL FEATURES & LANDSCAPE

Topography

The topography of Angola's landscape includes rolling hills to the west and north, and flatter terrain to the south and east. There are many low-lying areas within the boundaries of the city. The jurisdiction contains many natural lakes and ponds; most notably Fox Lake and Center Lakes. Most of the lakes are to the north within proximity to the city. Angola is served by two watershed areas, Pigeon River and St. Joe Watershed Areas.

The topography of Angola lends itself very well to most kinds of outdoor recreation. Within the park we have hills that serve well for sledding and some flat areas for sports. Ground work is often needed to accommodate recreation that requires a large flat area.

Geology/Soils

The geology of Angola is based on dominant parent material deposited as glacial tills. Today's topsoil consists of a mix of clay composition, silty loam, low ground muck and more. The soils in Angola do not pose significant problems to construction or development, but care must be taken to prevent development on flood-prone areas near our many wet wooded areas and wetlands.

Urban Forest Resources

Angola enjoys the presence of mature maple, oak, and hickory trees in the older areas of the City. A continuing effort is made by our Department to remove the older dead and dangerous trees along with the invasion of EAB within the city's right-of-way areas. Efforts are also put into replanting with the "Right tree, right spot" theory. With an active yearly program that offers free trees to residents (including planting assistance provided by area students), a memorial tree program, and a Tree and Landscaping ordinance, our urban forest is growing and becoming healthier with each passing year. This is due to the efforts of the Angola Parks and Recreation Department and Angola Tree Board. There are very few wooded areas left within Angola's borders. Because of this, Angola has worked with other organizations to help secure these important assets. Most recently, the Angola Tree Board assisted fundraising efforts to help ACRES land trust in conserving a 20-acre woodlot, surrounded by housing. Angola is proud to be the second longest running Tree City USA recipient, with twenty-eight straight years.

Water Resources

On the west edge of Angola there are a couple of small wetland/lakes and with the growth of residential areas, drainage/holding ponds have been incorporated in many new developments. Other than these, there are few surface water resources within Angola. There was recently a project that took place in Commons Park through the MS4 Department of Angola. This project was a storm water overflow system that ties into the John Leach ditch, a major storm drain from the City of Angola. Angola is part of a larger watershed that flows into Pigeon Creek, and is in two watershed areas; Pigeon River and St. Joe Watershed areas. The majority of Angola is not located in a flood zone.

Our City benefits from an important buffer area, a filter system of lakes and wetlands in the Center Lakes trio at the northwest edge of Angola. These lakes and wetlands absorb contaminants and sediments from the water we drink and provide a haven for wildlife that has been displaced due to the growth of our city. They also serve as an important filter system between the City of Angola and the many highly populated lakes north of Angola. Acquisition of this natural area would give diversity to our park system while preserving this important ecosystem. The Center Lakes have a mixture of solid and wetland banks, open water and woodland.

Angola is located in a county that is known for 101 natural lakes. The City of Angola's portion of a multi-purpose trail was completed in 2008, and joins phase 1 of the county trail that will eventually give access to the many lakes and Pokagon State Park. We will stay committed to keeping our city connected to the surrounding lake areas, as they impact Angola's recreational needs and much more.

MAN-MADE, HISTORICAL & CULTURAL

Transportation Links

Angola is truly located at the "Crossroads of America", with US Highway 20, Interstate 69, and the Indiana Toll Road intersecting in our County. Most local traffic uses the county roads and municipal streets for daily travel. With US 20 running through the center of Angola, we deal with hundreds of large trucks and non-local traffic daily. With the city bike/walking trail crossing US 20, the crosswalk provides a safe crossing to connect the parks of Angola. The other major highways/interstates do not go through the heart of Angola, but on the outskirts. They do not affect access to the parks. In a 2012 City Comprehensive Plan survey, residents felt a need for more trails/paths that link residential areas to the city's major trail system. A railroad runs through our city from south to north. Tri-State Airport, located just five miles west of Angola, is a hub for private pilots, local corporations and a few small charter services.

Industry in Angola

The Angola Industrial Park was created as an economic development project for the city in the late 1970's and early 80's. The Comprehensive Plan for the City of Angola determined a need to obtain "shovel ready" industrial sites. Angola has assisted in creating opportunity for industry wanting to move into empty industrial sites. The city has created a grant program for area businesses to assist in façade improvements in the historic downtown. The Angola Investment Fund was created to assist businesses and industry wanting to get started in the area. In 2015, the Steuben County Economic Development Corporation purchased a 70,000-square foot manufacturing complex in Angola, with the intent of turning the facility into a co-working space, training center, and a business incubator. Most recently, the City of Angola has broken ground on the Technology Park at the interchange of US 20 and Interstate 69. This convenient location will create sites for numerous businesses. There has been an increase in the housing industry, with new subdivisions being developed in Angola. Retail has remained consistent for the past five years. The farming community has shifted to a few larger farms providing most of the grain, dairy and other crop production. Fortunately, these larger farms have created quite a few good paying jobs for those in the Angola area. With an upturn in industry in Angola, more employees are spending time in the city and moving to the area. That makes the job of the parks that much more important; to continue to grow with the area and provide free events and programs to increase the quality of life and decrease the cost of living in Angola. Below are some of Angola's major employers and the products they make.

MAJOR EMPLOYERS AND PRODUCTS	
Angola Wire Products	Fabricated wire products
Autoform Tool & Mfg	Automotive fuel rails
Double Envelope Co.	Envelope manufacturing
EJ Brooks Company	Hardware manufacturing

EMF Corp.	Electronic components
General Products Corp.	Machining-Automotive
Illuminated Image	Custom Signage & Awnings
Indiana Marine Products	Fabricated wire components
Metal Spinners Inc.	Metal Stamping
R R Donnelley	Commercial Printing
Steffy Wood Products	Early childhood furniture
SOS Services	Coil Winding Machining & Maintenance
Tenneco Inc.	Motor Vehicle Parts
Univertical	Anodizing metal products
Vestil Manufacturing Corp.	Material Handling, Dock Levelers

Angola Parks Department History

Angola Parks & Recreation Department and Board was established in 1976 with an ordinance enacted by then Mayor Roman Beer. At that time, the City had only two parks; Fireman's Park and Lion's Park. Both parks were small community created areas.

The establishment of a board was necessary for Angola to be able to apply for government grants to purchase property. Shortly after the board was put in place, Angola pursued the purchase of two properties: Tri-Stan (Commons Park) and Harley Graham's property (Nature Park). Matching grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund allowed for the acquisition of these areas, greatly enhancing our park system.

Since its official start in 1976, strides have made Angola Parks and Recreation an important partner in the quality of family life in Angola and the surrounding area.

Cultural Angola

First settled by pioneers from Angola, New York, Angola was platted by Thomas Gale and Cornelius Gilmore on June 28, 1838, and incorporated as a village that same year. During the last century, Angola has grown to be one of northeastern Indiana's largest commercial centers. Its history is alive and on view at many sites. To learn about the area's past, visitors stop at Cline Memorial Museum, which showcases early 20th-century treasures; Steuben County Courthouse, built in 1868; and the Soldiers' Monument which pays homage to the 1,278 Steuben County residents who fought in the Civil War. Since incorporation as a village, Angola has become home to many immigrants. In addition, Trine University, formerly Tri-State, was established in Angola in 1884, adding to the diversity. These immigrant populations contribute to the very diverse nature of our community. The cultural diversity of Angola is reflected in the wide variety of crafts, cuisine and arts that are represented at the park and city-wide celebrations such as Fall Fest, Civil War Days, and much more.

Arts, Music, & Angola

Angola is home to the Angola Regional Artists' Guild, as well as an active theatre group that treats our community a couple of times per year. Through our schools, the arts are encouraged and shared with the community as well. We are blessed with numerous singing and musical activities throughout our community. The Town of Fremont holds an annual Music Fest. The Trine Furth Center for Performing Arts brings famous musicians, plays, and comedy for the area to enjoy. The city holds various downtown concerts as well as park concerts throughout the year.

Community Festivals

Angola Parks and Recreation offers a full schedule of events throughout the summer months, but the biggest event takes place July 4th. Angola's Independence Day Celebration is a full day of activities, starting with the parade in the morning and ending with fireworks in the park. Also in July, the increasingly growing Balloons Aloft event is held at the Angola High School. This event is one of the best attended festivals in our county. At the end of July is the Steuben County 4-H fair held at the fairgrounds on Crooked Lake. This brings many activities, as well as community involvement. There have been many new events and activities happening in Angola, due to the addition of an Event Coordinator in the Parks and a Downtown Services Coordinator concentrating on activities in the historic downtown area. The festivals and activities in our area increase the quality of life and bring our community closer together.

Social and Economic Factors

Population

- According to the July 1, 2016 U.S. Census Bureau estimates, there are 8,591 residents in Angola.
 - 50.6% Male; 49.4% Female
 - Median Age was 29.2
 - 90.0% White; 6.3% Hispanic or Latino; 1.4% Black or African American; 0.8% Asian; 0.3% American Indian; 1.2% some other race.
 - 12.8% of the population, under age 65, have some sort of disability.
 - 5.2% of the population speaks a language other than English at home.
 - 15.3% of the population under the age of 65 were without health insurance.

Economics in Angola

- According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Angola had a 2.6% unemployment rate.
- Median household income in 2015 (dollars): \$40,107
- Persons below poverty level: 20.6%
- Largest employment area in Angola is Manufacturing.
- The most recent job growth figures show a 1.94% increase and a 40.17% future job growth estimate.

Housing

- Average household size in Angola: 2.4
- 3,499 total housing units.
- 2,997 occupied households.
- 502 housing units are vacant.

Education

- 86% of population High school graduate or higher.
- 19.7% Bachelor's degree or higher.

Socio-economic Summary

- Angola has a higher number of people living in poverty than the national average.
- Angola has a lower unemployment rate than the national average with a large estimation in future job growth.
- The median age is lower than the state average.
- The population for Angola has declined but the growth in job opportunities shows signs of future population increase.
- The decrease in housing units and households is a result of the population decline and crash in the housing market. Recent trends show a major rebound in the housing market locally.
- The number of persons without health insurance was higher than national average.

The implication of this data for parks & recreation is that Angola must continue to grow and improve the quality of life for the expected future job growth. More jobs in the area mean more families moving to Angola. To create an inviting atmosphere, the parks must continue to grow and offer as many recreational opportunities as possible. The data also shows the poverty rate being higher than the national average, at 20.6%. This means the parks must continue to offer events and programs at little to no cost, so that

the 20.6% of the population aren't excluded from them. The number of persons without health insurance was above the national average. This means it is the duty of the parks and recreation to make sure health is at the forefront of what we do. Offering a safe place for people to engage in physical activities remains at the top of our list. To go above that, exercise classes and increases in trails will surely help promote good health for those that need it. With the positive economic growth also comes the importance of park maintenance and adequate facilities. The lack of these two things can hinder optimal social and economic growth.

ACCESSIBILITY & FEDERAL ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS

Statement of Accessibility for Angola

The City of Angola's Council designated the City Engineer, Bill Boyer, as the ADA coordinator. His responsibilities include the ADA compliance for all of Angola's public buildings, including those in the park. The City of Angola continuously works on their ADA compliance master plan. Someone needing accessibility information for the parks, or wanting to report a complaint or concern regarding accessibility would need to see the ADA coordinator for that information. His office is in City Hall, 210 N Public Square, Angola, IN 46703. He can be reached by phone (260)665-6748 or e-mailed at bboyer@angolain.org.

Angola Parks & Recreation Department and Board desires to provide the highest level of accessibility possible and feasible for persons with visual, hearing, mobility and mental impairments, consistent with the obligation to conserve park resources and preserve the quality of the park and recreation experience for everyone. We will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and will make every effort, including a self-evaluation of its policies and practices, to ensure that all services, programs and activities of the Department, or its contractors, will provide the highest level of accessibility possible. Our accessibility is also enhanced with our offering of free, quality, family oriented events and programs.

The Angola Parks Department staff has attended ADA seminars and reviewed the parks and facilities for full accessibility in May 2017. The policies and programs were reviewed and accessed for compliance and the results are:

- Facilities – ADA compliant EXCEPT:

- An accessible walkway is not provided to access our facilities in the nature area of Commons Park. These facilities include a small pavilion, wildlife overlooks and an archery range. The cost of compliance is estimated at \$120,000 and potential funding sources would be grants, donations, and Park budget.

- Though some facilities would be considered ADA compliant, work could be done to be more than compliant and more readily accessible to those with disabilities.
 - Playground surfacing does not meet accessibility standards on all playgrounds.
 - Selman Timber Frame playground and North Commons playground equipment do not have ADA access to them, or accessible surfacing.
- Programs – ADA compliant.
 - Employment – The City of Angola/Angola Parks Department is ADA/Rehabilitation Act Compliant.
 - Policies – ADA compliant EXCEPT for Braille copies of documents. Estimated cost of compliance is TBD and the potential funding source would be the park budget.

Current Accessibility

Angola Parks and Recreation has accessible sidewalks, pavilions, picnic areas and restrooms in our parks and facilities. Accessibility to the play equipment on some of the park playgrounds is difficult, due to wood mulch being used as a surface. These areas consist of a few small playground pieces located in Commons Park (north drive), Selman Timber Frame and Firemen's Park (near pavilion). All activities and facilities provided by the Angola Parks have been developed to be accessible to as many people as possible, except for our natural area located in Commons Park.

Our newest accessible facilities in the Park are the Selman Timber Frame pavilion, constructed in 2005. The original tank-style restrooms were updated and plumbed in 2016. ADA accessibility was foremost when this facility was planned and the pavilion and restrooms can be easily accessed.

The City of Angola has gone to great measures in recent years to improve accessibility. The downtown has gone through two phases of construction, improving sidewalks and crossings. City Hall, which is in the historic downtown, has installed ADA compliant entrances to both the front and back of the building. A community restroom was built in 2015 to satisfy a need for public restrooms in the downtown shopping areas. This building was built with accessibility as a top priority. Along with these projects, the City of Angola Street Department budgets to improve and install ADA crossings on city sidewalks every year.

Proposed Accessibility

The Angola Parks & Recreation Department has strived to meet accessibility guidelines but has not yet made any playgrounds “truly” accessible. Concrete paths lead to many of the playgrounds, only to connect to an inaccessible wood mulch surface. It has been proposed that any future playground installed in Angola parks must be fully accessible.

Access to our natural area is our biggest challenge. To make this area accessible would require a drive, parking area, and accessible surface. The estimated cost for such an improvement could easily exceed \$100,000. Funds would be sought through grants, donations and the Park budget. Other goals we have as a parks and recreation provider include maintaining the ADA structures to ensure they are not only compliant, but useful to those with disabilities.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Angola Parks & Recreation Department recognizes and embraces our mission of service to the community. We have found that the best way to meet the needs of the community is to ask what their needs, opinions and wants are. We can then make informed decisions on what to offer and pursue funding possibilities. For this master plan, we used four methods to gain public input: a survey which was mailed to every home and business in Angola; a public hearing; media announcements and personal contact with park users. Upon preliminary approval by the DNR, we will post the proposed plan on the City of Angola website, at City Hall and the park office. We will then advertise for final review and input.

Survey

The IDNR requires a random method of gathering public input; therefore, Angola Parks & Recreation Department created a short survey which was printed and mailed to around 3,100 Angola homes and businesses. To increase feedback, the city also included a chance to win a tailgate grill, donated by Sheets LP Gas. To retain anonymity, only a phone number, on a removable portion of the survey, was collected. There were also links to the survey on the park website and Facebook page. By offering both paper and online options, we felt we did our best in promoting public input. A survey booth collected 387 surveys at six different events and programs. To include Trine University Students, who are residents during the school year, we coordinated with the Student Government group to provide 154 more surveys. This important group, Trine Students, has been excluded from previous surveys. This was an age group that has been poorly represented in past surveys. The survey included simple questions about park use, programs, possible barriers and public satisfaction. The survey ran from April 15, 2017 to August 18, 2017. The numbers and summary of responses were:

- Out of the various survey collection methods, we received 849 completed surveys back, a 24% response rate.

- The highest percentage of respondents were female, between the age of 45-64 and use the parks at least once per month.
- 89.8% of respondents rated the parks & trails generally good or of consistently high quality.
- The top three things people currently use the parks for: 51.7% Exercise, 48.5% Programs/Events, and 47.2% Passive Recreation.
- The most attended event was the 4th of July Celebration with 78.9% of responses.
- The top three things people want to see more of in the park system were: 39.2% Walking/Bike Trails, 31.5% Natural Areas, and 30% Programs/Events.
- The top three ideas supported by those surveyed were: 52.2% Outdoor Movie Night, 43.3% Splash Pad, and 35.3% Ice Skating Rink.
- 90.5% responded there were no obstacles preventing them from using or attending the parks, events, or programs.
- The best method of advertising events and programs was social media with 64.2% of responses.
- Most common additional comments: Need a splash pad, more trails, permanent pickleball courts, more advertising, need for small children playground separate from older kids, need a fishing pond, ban smoking, better police presence, more parking, update restrooms and more drinking fountains/dog fountains.

Public Meeting

Angola Parks & Recreation Department held a public hearing regarding input into the Parks Master Plan. The public hearing was advertised, with a notice placed in the local paper and on the local radio. Posters were placed at City Hall and the Park Office. Regardless of the advertising efforts, the Angola Parks & Recreation has struggled to get people to attend hearings in the past. Even though the public hearing was poorly attended, there were more people than normal and a productive discussion ensued for over thirty minutes. It proved to be a good inclusion into the plan. A summary of the hearing as follows:

- August 2, 2017, 10:00 AM, Angola Parks & Recreation Office
 - Three citizens in attendance, plus five park board members and two park staff members.

- o Park staff explained the Master Plan and why it is important for citizens to give their input.

- o All three citizens engaged in discussion on what they would like to see from their park, including: a splash pad; outdoor movie night; canvas painting; chess/checkerboard tables; summer festival to kick things off; concentrate on marketing what the parks already have; after school programs for those not involved in sports; community pool; walking groups for safety; distance markers on trail; affordable exercise classes; meditation garden; improve safety, and more bike racks.

Media Announcement

The local media, both radio and paper, have published articles asking for the public to provide input into the Park's 5 Year Master Plan. They have done this on their own and provided us with public service announcements. They assisted in providing legal notices for our public hearing as well. The amount of input received from the public proves that media involvement is effective. The media will also be utilized during the final public comment period.

Personal Contact

Since the park office is in Commons Park, area residents do stop in often in the summer months to voice concern or give praise. Having the office in our local park has proved to be a positive step to better correspond with the public. We were able to collect 387 surveys from people stopping in the office or visiting a park event or program. Using the busy time of the year to collect data has proven to be a great way of reaching the most people.

Public Presentation of the Plan

On January 11, 2013, a draft of the Angola 5-Year Parks & Recreation Master Plan was made available for public viewing and comments at the Angola Park office. The plan was also posted on the Park's website and a link to the website was posted on Angola Park & Recreation's Facebook page with information on how to submit final public input. Our local radio station ran a public service announcement, informing the public of the plan review and input requested. Final comments were due by January 26, 2018. The feedback received after the survey was closed was one verbal comment wanting to see neighborhood crime watch signs in the park. Two written comments included the addition of a dog/person drinking fountain in the dog park and a Gaga ball pit located in one of the parks. The Park Board has taken these comments into consideration for the future.

NEEDS ANALYSIS

In determining the needs of our community, we used the Issue Analysis and identified issues from input received. Angola Parks and Recreation strives to continually monitor use and anticipate needs as they appear using this analysis. Angola's size enables our Board and Department to have personal contact with users and community members.

Issues from Public Input

We found that the issues from the public, the Board and staff were basically the same. The order of relevance will be determined by the budget and grants that can finance the needs of the parks. The following needs have been determined:

- More walking/bike trails; including informational signage and neighborhood connections.
- More natural areas; including nature trails and a fishing pond.
- More programs/events; more specifically an outdoor movie night, wine/canvas painting and exercise/fitness classes.
- More parks; with space for more pavilion/picnic areas, a splashpad/ice rink and accessible playgrounds (more specifically for younger kids 0-5 years of age).

Issues from Park Board and Staff

The Board and staff agree with the above needs of the public but also discovered other needs through public comments on the survey. The following needs were identified:

- Continue to update facilities; bathrooms, buildings, sports fields and playgrounds.
- Increase needed amenities; drinking fountains/dog fountains, more parking for events and reservations.
- Create a safer/healthier park; increase police presence, increase lighting and decrease smoking.
- Increase advertising where people will utilize it; social media and visible signage (possibly a digital marquee).

Issue Explanation

For years walking and bike trails have been at the top of the priority list for both the Park Master Plan and the City of Angola's 2012 Comprehensive Plan. Steuben County recently finished a 1.2-mile section of the Poka-Bache Connector Trail. This is connected to our 3.8 miles of the trail which will eventually connect Pokagon State Park to Oubache State Park. In 2018, Steuben County is on schedule to begin construction on the final two miles that will connect the City of Angola to Pokagon State Park. For this reason, residents are more interested in connecting

residential areas to the trail, so that they can enjoy this asset. The City of Angola still must go to the southern part of the City limits to finish their portion of this trail system. The City plans to begin connecting neighborhoods to the trail and obtaining easements for the portion heading south. Having these acquired will make it easier to move forward on the remainder of the trail, once funding is available. Plans are also in place to begin signage now that the trail has been named and universal design standards are in place.

Natural areas for passive recreation have always been important to the Angola Parks & Recreation. Many of the areas available are wet areas that can assist with storm runoff and clean water efforts. There are currently undeveloped areas within the city limits that the City looks to eventually acquire for the sole purpose of protecting natural areas, and create outdoor educational opportunities for area residents. We plan to utilize grants and donations for any future natural area land acquisitions.

In 2016, the Angola Parks & Recreation saw the need for someone solely dedicated to the events, programs and community awareness. The position of Events and Marketing Coordinator was derived from the demand for more and new events and programs, identified in past master plans. This position, utilizing social media and face to face interactions, has done an exceptional job of connecting our department to the public, identifying the wants and needs. The demand for more events and programs led to the questions on our survey leading us to the top three wants for events. We will work on providing these events and making them a vital part of our park system.

A new park has been talked about since the last Master Plan showed a majority felt another was needed on the north side of Angola. This was due to several new developments on the north end of the City. Since the 2012 Master Plan, two other subdivisions have been established in that area as well. With the Angola Trail System passing through the area, it only makes sense to both the City of Angola and its residents to have a park that connects to the trail system for safe access to and from residential developments. It is still planned to find a site, acquire the land, plan the development and finally implement the development. Along with the non-reverting fund, the park will begin setting aside funds in 2018 with the newly established Cumulative Building Fund. Following the final submission of this plan, will be able to move forward with applying for grants for land acquisition.

Continued improvements and maintenance of our existing parks and facilities is of utmost importance to the Angola Parks & Recreation. Since 2012, our budget has allowed us to repair and improve various park amenities. We must continue this as it is easy for departments to move forward with new projects and allow old facilities to suffer. We have been in the position before and know the importance of routine maintenance and finding the funding to correctly repair structures as needed. It is not only important to the Park Board and staff, but the residents of Angola have expressed their desires to continue this practice.

With the increase in park use that we have experienced over the last five years, comes a desire by the public for more amenities. More people attending our events have shown the need for more parking during those events. More people using the parks means more people wanting benches, drinking fountains and picnic areas. We hope to include new amenities each year in our budget to catch up with the current demand for more amenities. This will be ongoing as more and more users are expected in the future.

Another result of having more users is the need for more safety. Police presence, increased lighting and less smoking were all common comments in our survey. We work closely with our local police and hope to implement a patrol program for our parks. We have been slowly updating and increasing lighting in problem areas. Solar powered LED lights have been researched as a possibility in areas where lighting would be costly. We plan to purchase some and see if they fit our need. Smoking is a continued problem. Signs are posted in mandatory locations around facilities but could be increased and monitored by staff and local police.

The last issue is the need for more advertising. This is a frustrating issue as we have increased the amount we do and spend on advertising. This problem was the reason for the question on our survey relating to how to get information to the public. The number one way was social media. We plan to continue to use all methods of advertising but increase our following on social media so that more people will be reached. A digital marquee that will allow us to advertise for more than one event at a time has also been discussed at length with our Board. They have requested this be added to the budget in 2018 to replace our old sign. This should also increase the amount of information we can get out to the public.

National Standards

The City of Angola has 130.48 acres of park land. Angola is well above the national standard regarding park space. With Angola's population of just over 8,500, and the Park Board's dedicated efforts to expand the park areas, Angola has over 15 acres of developed open space per 1,000 residents. According to the National Recreation and Park Association's research, the typical parks and recreation agency offers 9.6 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents. As Angola continues to grow, this number is sure to increase due to the increased funding and desire to see park growth by the Board and residents of Angola.

What We Need

Over the past five years, the Angola Parks and Recreation have established consistent funding and concentrated on saving funds for a park on the north side of Angola. This area is continuing to grow which puts even more pressure to get a park in the area. The following are needed in Angola:

- More parks and natural park land (with an emphasis on the north end of Angola).
- More trails connecting residential areas to the Poka-Bache Connector.
- A variety of new programs and increased advertising.
- New and updated amenities in existing parks.

PRIORITIES and ACTION SCHEDULE

Setting the priorities for this plan has been easier than expected due to the similarity of the public input to that of our last plan in 2012. The difference now is that funding has become less of an issue than before. With a consistent operating budget, the continued savings of our non-reverting fund and our anticipated funds derived from the newly established Cumulative Building Fund, Angola Parks and Recreation are in a great position to act on the established priorities.

Transition into the New Plan

Angola Parks Department has already started to transition into this plan through the establishment of the Cumulative Building Fund. This will be the primary funding source for the capital improvement projects established through this plan. The operating budget will be used to continue preventative maintenance and updates of existing amenities.

The first step is to continue saving funds for the expansion of the park system to the north side of the city. Finding available land has become a difficult part of our plan. Not many exist within Angola. Once a site is located, the combination of available funds and state grants will secure the land for future development. New park land will give space for many of the new amenities also identified in this plan.

The plan of this new park is to connect to the Poka-Bache Connector, thus connecting three of our four parks to this trail system. We will also work toward connecting communities within the vicinity to the trail system. Safe connections will increase park usage and promote healthy living.

In this Master Plan, and our last plan, we identified the need for more programming and better advertising. In 2016, the Angola Parks hired an Event and Marketing Coordinator for this purpose. We are also using this position to manage social media and increase awareness of the parks and programs. Starting in 2017, new programs were added to the park and new events are proposed for 2018. Taking the ideas from the public input and making them a reality is the step that is being taken by our Event and Marketing Coordinator.

The following priority listing is not in order of importance, but reflects the results of input from city residents, Board Members and Park Department Staff:

BUDGET YEAR	PRIORITY ITEM	POTENTIAL COST	FUNDING SOURCE
2018-2023	Acquire additional park land.	\$0-\$400,000	Park Fund, grants
2018-2023	Extend Poka-Bache Connector south to City limit.	Depends on route of trail approx. \$500,000-\$1,000,000	Park Fund, grants
2018-2023	Connect residential neighborhoods to Poka-Bache Connector	\$TBD depends on distance and easements.	Park Fund, park budget, grants
2019-2020	Playground for 0-5 years of age.	\$10,000-\$25,000	Park Budget, grants
2018-2019	Canine/Human drinking fountain at	\$2,500-\$6,000	Park Budget, donations

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	dog exercise area.		
2018-2023	Establish fishing pond	Depends on location \$10,000-\$20,000	Park Fund, grants
2018-2023	Add more events/programs	\$2,500-\$5,000	Park Budget
2019	Add digital marquee in Commons Park	\$20,000-\$30,000	Park Budget
2019	New pavilion at Firemen's Park	\$25,000-\$50,000	Park budget, park fund, donations
2020	New restrooms at Firemen's Park	\$50,000-\$75,000	Park budget, park fund
2018-2023	Maintain Angola's urban forest	\$25,000+ annually	Tree Board budget

Plan Evaluation

Angola Parks and Recreation Board and Department will continue to evaluate the progress and effectiveness of our plan through our involvement with all aspects of our parks and events. Efforts will continue to keep in touch with the needs and wants of our community through personal contact, public meetings and through the Park Board representatives.

We realize this is a tool and may not be an exact map for the direction of our parks. Over the next five years, we will value the flexibility of our plan and keep abreast of the needs of Angola's resident relating to parks and recreation. Angola Parks and Recreation will continue to work to fulfill these needs and demands as identified in our planning process.

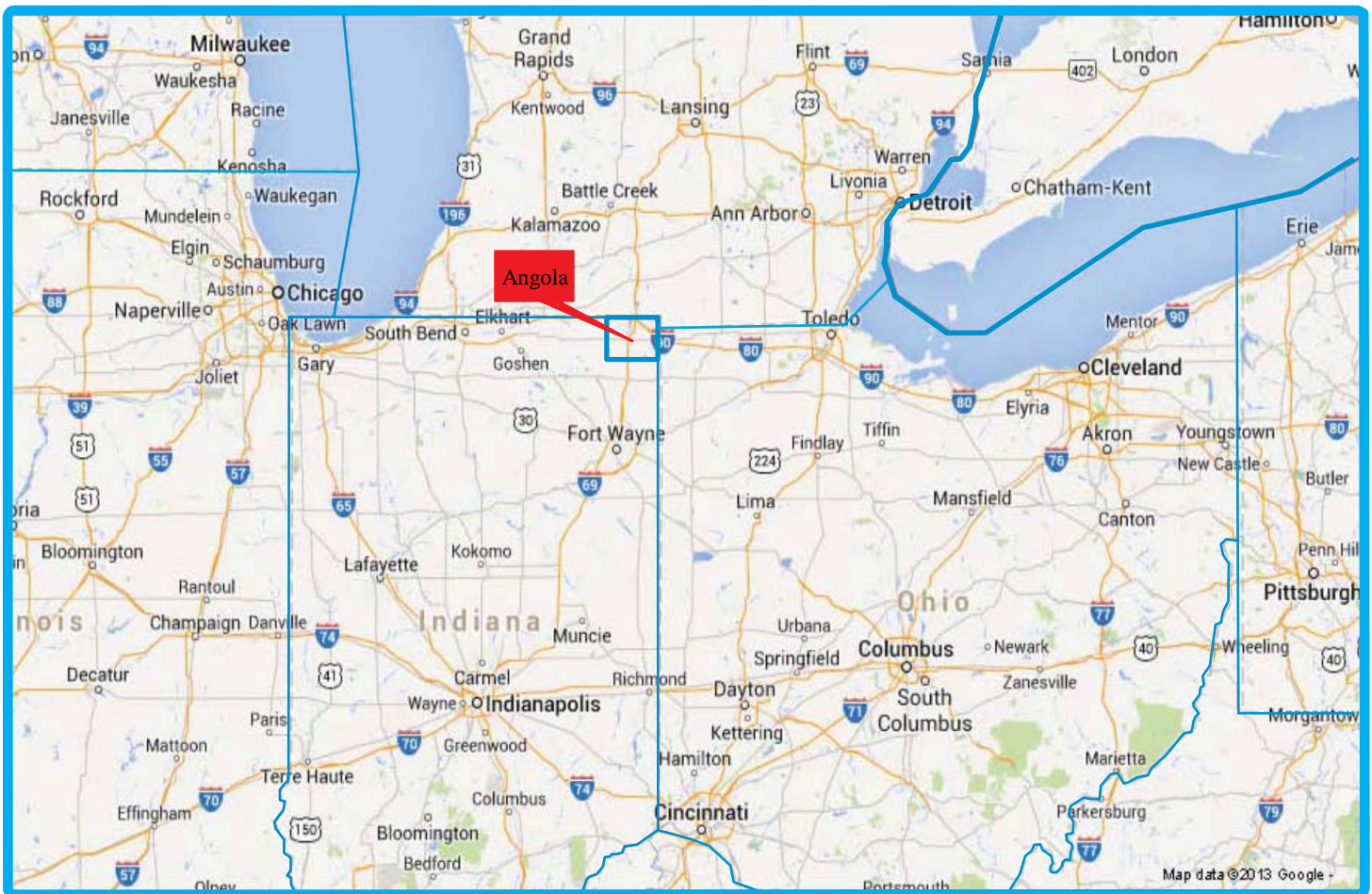
APPENDICES

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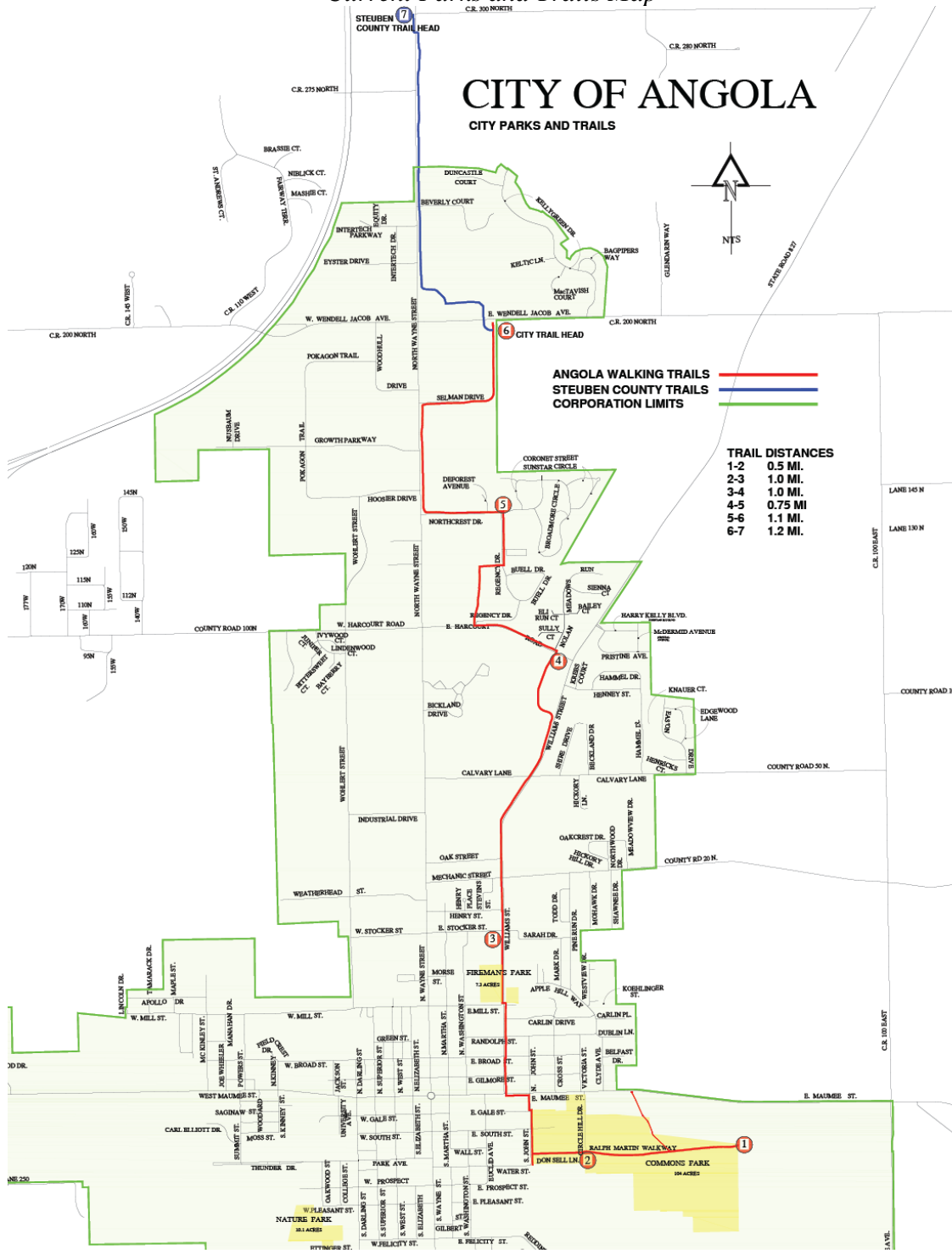
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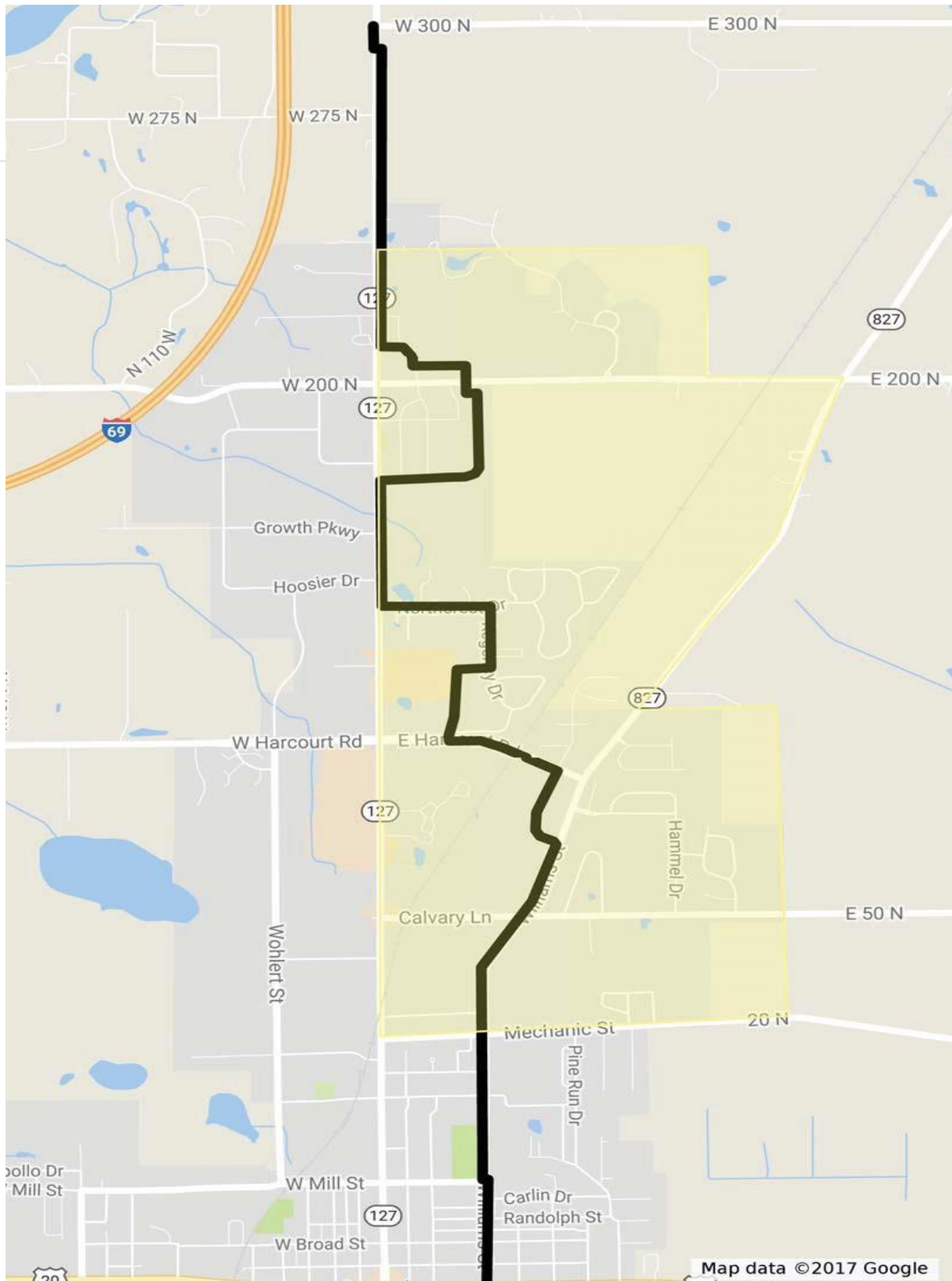


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Current Parks and Trails Map



New Facilities Map



2017 Park Survey

1. Are you a City Resident?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
2. What is your gender?
 - ☐ Male
 - ☐ Female
3. Which category below includes your age?
 - ☐ 18 or younger
 - ☐ 19-29
 - ☐ 30-44
 - ☐ 45-64
 - ☐ 65 or older
4. How often do you use Angola Parks or Trails?
 - ☐ Everyday
 - ☐ At least once per week
 - ☐ At least once per month
 - ☐ At least once per year
 - ☐ Never
5. Which Angola Parks do you use?
 - ☐ Commons Park
 - ☐ Firemen's Park
 - ☐ Nature Park
 - ☐ Angola Trail System
6. How would you rate our Parks?
 - ☐ Consistently high quality
 - ☐ Generally good
 - ☐ Quality varies between parks
 - ☐ Poor Quality
7. How do you use the Angola Parks?
 - ☐ Sports (Softball, basketball)
 - ☐ Passive Recreation (Picnicking, relaxing, etc.)
 - ☐ Playgrounds
 - ☐ Pavilions
 - ☐ Free events/programs
 - ☐ Dog exercise area
 - ☐ Exercise (Running, walking, etc.)
 - ☐ Other: _____
8. Which programs or events do you attend?
 - ☐ Tree Memorial Program
 - ☐ Summer Recreation Program
 - ☐ Easter
 - ☐ Concerts
 - ☐ 4th of July Celebration
 - ☐ Kids Night in the Park
 - ☐ Punt, Pass & Kick
 - ☐ Civil War Days
 - ☐ Halloween

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9. What would you like to see more of in Angola?

- ☐ Parks
- ☐ Playgrounds
- ☐ Accessible play equipment
- ☐ Walking/bike trails
- ☐ Sports facilities (If so, comment what sport in Other)
- ☐ Pavilions/Picnic areas
- ☐ Natural areas
- ☐ Programs/events
- ☐ Other_____

10. Which of the following would you support/use/attend, if offered in the Angola Parks?

- ☐ Pickle ball Courts
- ☐ Splash Pad
- ☐ Ice Skating rink
- ☐ Frisbee Golf
- ☐ Outdoor movie night
- ☐ Dog day in the park
- ☐ Exercise classes/clubs
- ☐ Wine/canvas painting
- ☐ Bicycle Rental
- ☐ Archery Range/3D Archery Shoot
- ☐ Fishing pond
- ☐ Community Center
- ☐ Other_____

11. Are there any obstacles that prevent you from using the Angola Parks, trails, events or programs? If so, what are they?

- ☐ Yes_____
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't use Parks or Trails

12. What method of advertising of events and programs would reach you and your family?

- ☐ Radio
- ☐ Newspaper
- ☐ Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)
- ☐ Phone Call
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Text
- ☐ Website
- ☐ Digital Marquee
- ☐ Other_____

13. If you could change one thing about the Angola Parks & Recreation, what would it be? You may also use this portion for additional comments or input.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The public is invited to attend a hearing to offer input and suggestions for inclusion in the Angola Parks and Recreation 5-Year Master Plan. The Angola Parks and Recreation Board will hold a public hearing at their regular meeting place at 299 South John Street beginning at 10:00 a.m. local prevailing time on August 2, 2017 for public input. If you cannot attend the meeting, but would like to offer input, you may forward comments to Angola Parks and Recreation, 210 North Public Square, Angola, IN 46703. Any questions, please contact the Park Office at 260-665-1588.

MEDIA COVERAGE DOCUMENT

WLKI News (Swick Broadcasting)

Angola City Park Survey Coming to Homes

Friday Jun 02, 2017 2:06pm

City of Angola • Angola, IN

By: Sheila McCrea

City Residents will be receiving a 2017 Park Survey with the next utility bill. The results of the survey will help the Angola Parks & Recreation update their 5 Year Master Plan. The survey can be filled out and returned to City Hall or the Park Office or taken on the front page of the Angola Parks & Recreation website. You will also have a chance to win a Weber tailgate grill donated by Sheets LP Gas, just for filling out the survey.

Steuben County Herald Republican (KPC Media)

Park survey in coming utility bill

Posted: Thursday, June 1, 2017 11:00 pm

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Results from the survey will help the Angola Parks & Recreation Department update its five-year master plan. Surveys can be filled out and returned to City Hall or the park office, 299 S. John St. It can also be taken on the front page of the Angola Parks & Recreation website, angolain.org/departments/index.php?structureid=19.

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Angola Parks & Recreation

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Title: Legal Clerk

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APPLICANT PRESIDENT

(President's printed name)

SIGNATURE _____

(Secretary's printed name)

DATE _____

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING 2018-2022
PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Angola Parks and Recreation Board is aware of the parks and recreation needs of the residents of Angola, Indiana, and

WHEREAS, the Board realizes the importance of sound planning in order to meet the needs of its citizens,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ANGOLA PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD, by unanimous declaration, does adopt the Angola Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan as its official plan for the next five years, for the growth and development of parks and recreational opportunities in Angola, Indiana.

Passed and signed this ____ day of _____, 20____.

President, Jacquelyn Wahlig

Attested: Superintendent, Matthew Hanna