

# LSPR Parks Master Plan Update



August 2022



# Purpose of the Master Plan Update



- Follow up on the 2017 Park Master Plan
- Continue momentum of 2021 IGNITE City Comp Plan
- Progression on 2017 Goals and Priorities
- Develop a roadmap for parks for next 10-15 years
- Engage with our community about future parks, trails, facilities, programming, and funding



# The Process

- Nine month process beginning in October, 2021
- Worked with Shockey Consulting who facilitated the IGNITE City Comprehensive Plan process
- Input City Staff, Parks Staff, Community Partners, Park Board
- Entire Lee's Summit Community given an opportunity to provide input through survey and task force meetings



# Progress on the 2017 Plan

- 2017 plan outlined 8 goals and 33 priorities
- Report summarizes accomplishments and work still in progress
- 2017 Goals
  - Neighborhood Park Acquisition and Development
  - Neighborhood Park Renovation
  - Community Outdoor Facilities
  - Community Indoor Facilities
  - Trails and Greenway
  - Programs and Events
  - Operations and Maintenance
  - Administrative
- Significant progress in all areas and some work in progress



# Project Engagement



- Workshops
  - 3 workshops in November 2021 with LSPR staff, City of Lee's Summit Staff, and partner agencies
  - Park Board Work session in Feb 2021
- SWOT Summary
  - Work sessions asked to brainstorm about LSPR and park system strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats
- Community Survey
  - 1,100 responses March-April 2022 covering facilities, trails, park amenities, preferences. Demographic data collected
- Task force meetings
  - Two sessions with approximately 50 participants at each focusing on topics of parks, trails, natural resources, park programming, and funding



# Park Trends

- Significance and value of Parks and Recreation post COVID and appreciation for development of outdoor spaces and natural resources
- Value of Technology in parks and recreation i.e. on line registration, e-gaming, virtual classes, asset management
- Value of parks in socialization of our citizens i.e. dog parks, cultural events
- Staff continues to track industry trends through conferences, continuing education, publications. LSPR Trends Team

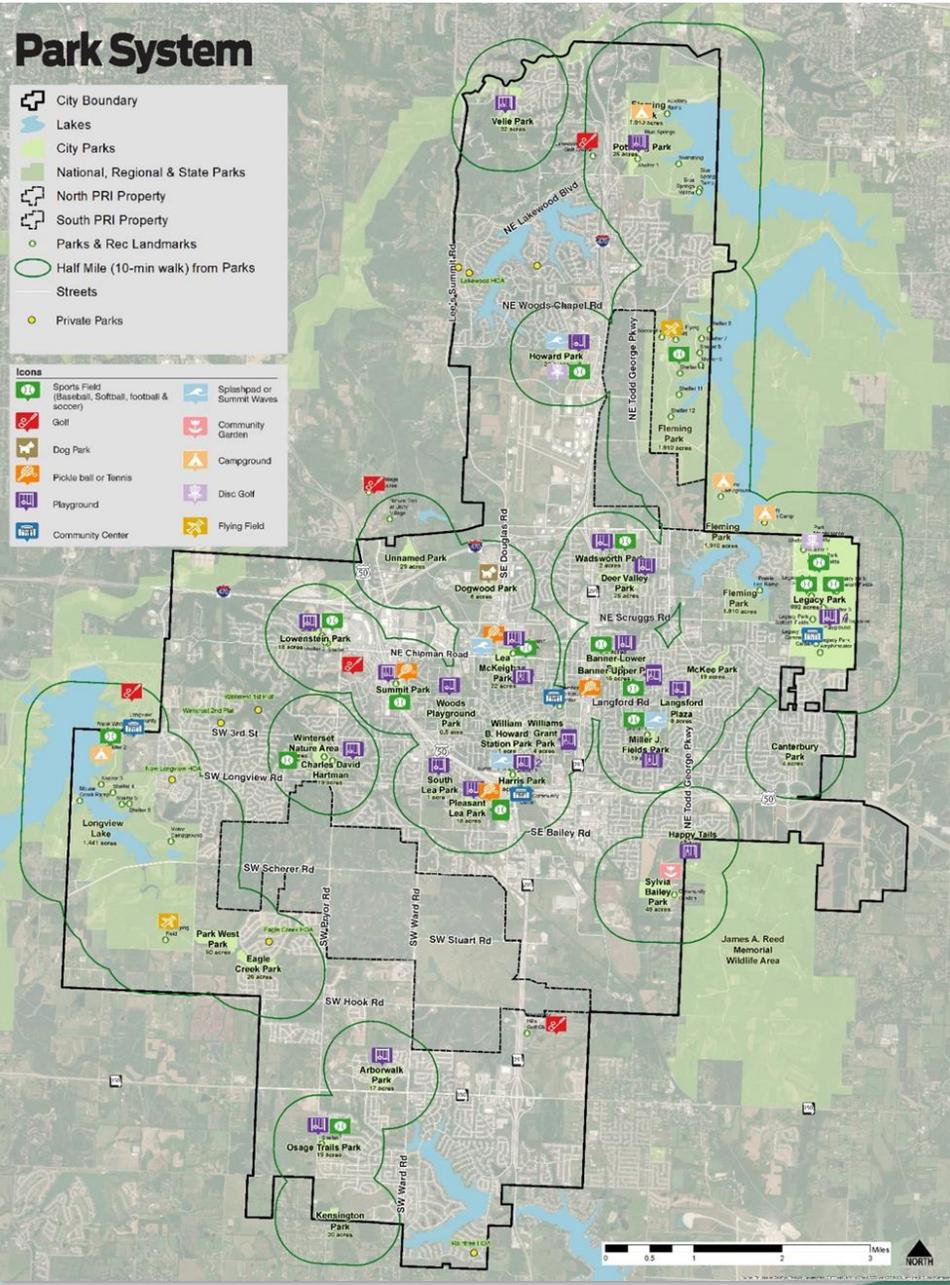


## Park System

	City Boundary
	Lakes
	City Parks
	National, Regional & State Parks
	North PRI Property
	South PRI Property
	Parks & Rec Landmarks
	Half Mile (10-min walk) from Parks
	Streets
	Private Parks

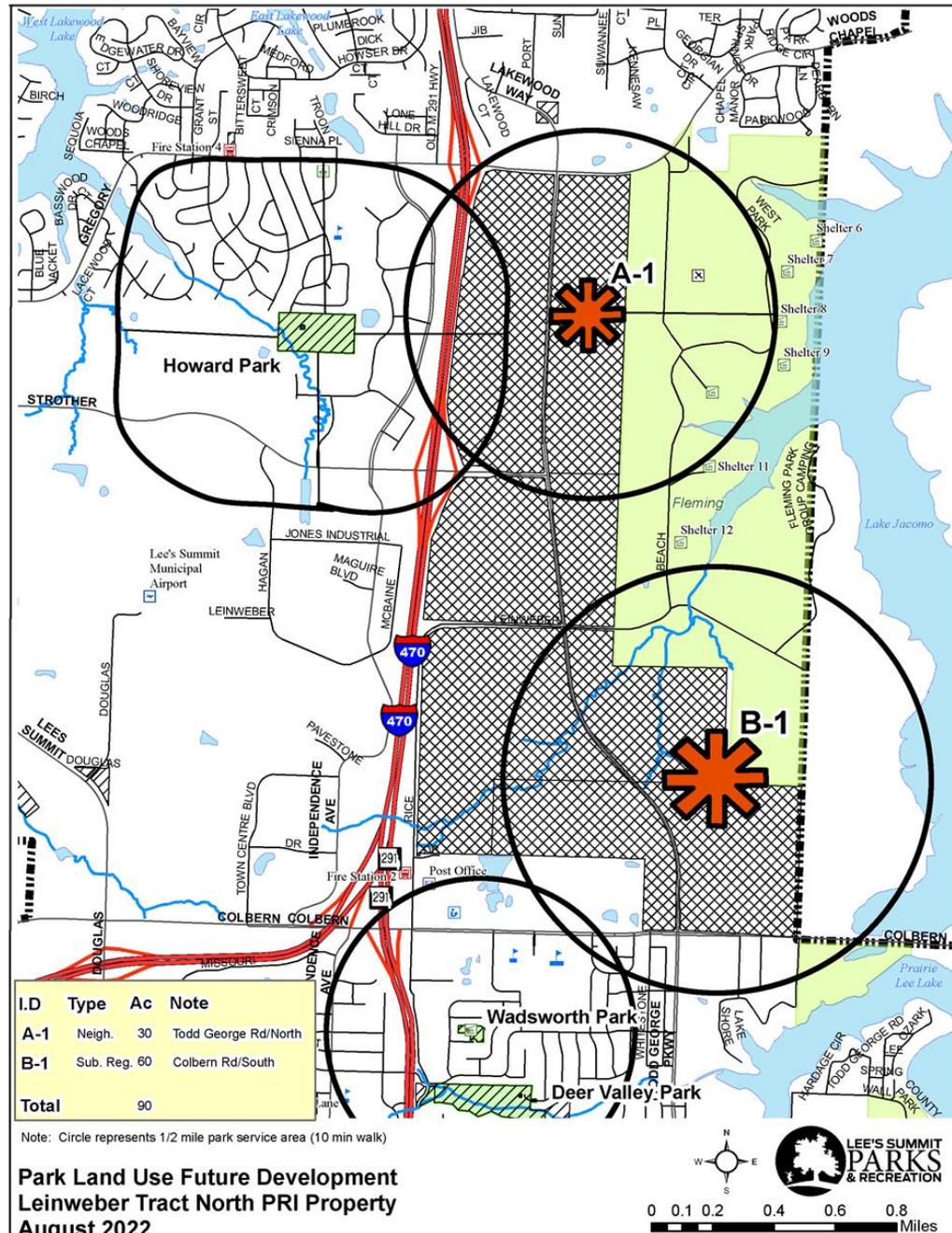
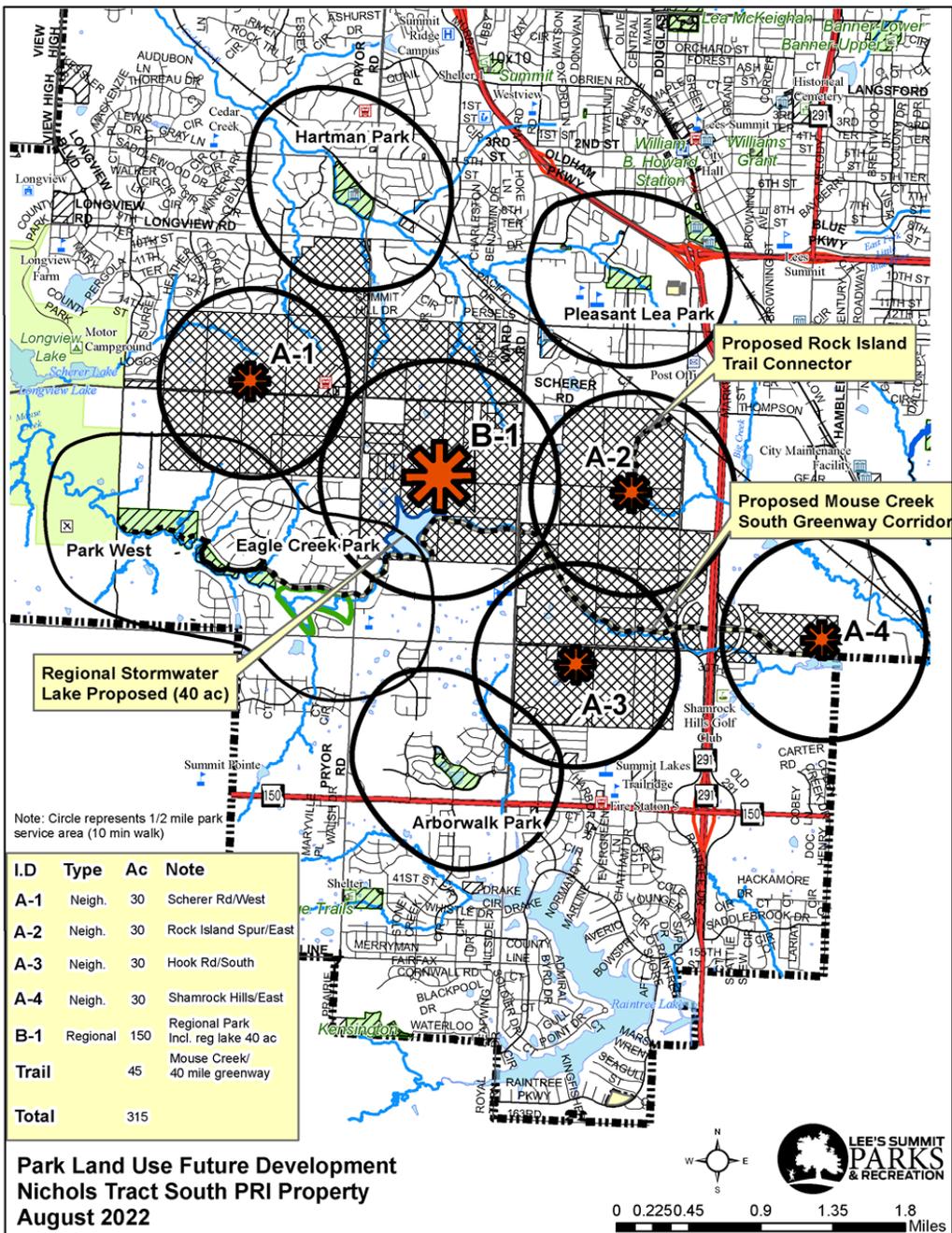
	Sports Field (Baseball, Softball, football & soccer)		Splishpad or Summit Waves
	Golf		Community Garden
	Dog Park		Campground
	Pickle ball or Tennis		Disc Golf
	Playground		Flying Field
	Community Center		



# Future Growth Projections and Parks Metrics

- Level of Service Standards currently 12.5 acres per 1000 residents
- Currently 72% of residents are within ½ mile of a park (does not include HOAs and trails). Future goal of 80-85%
- Lee’s Summit will continue to grow. Population projection by 2040 will be approximately 140,000
- PRI Properties include 3,500 acres of future development
- Report determines that to maintain levels of service standards the community needs approximately 500 additional park acres





# 2022 Priorities and Goals

## 8 New Goals from workshops and task force meetings

- Set aside land for trails and future parks prior to development or as part of the development process
- Create destination parks, accessible parks, and desired facilities and programming as part of an economic development strategy
- Create city parks as “entrance” parks into regional parks and trails
- Create unique facilities and programming in partnership with other agencies and adjacent to existing facilities
- Connecting parks to each other and activity centers with trails
- Preserve Lee’s Summit’s high value resources for enjoyment by future generations
- Maintain existing parks, facilities, and trails to ensure industry standards are met
- Ensure funding sources and levels are diverse, sustainable, and meet the needs of the community



# Next Steps

- Adopt the parks master plan in the city comprehensive plan documents as approved by the Lee's Summit Planning Commission
- Engage with elected city officials on funding mechanisms for future park land acquisition
- Work with city development staff and PRI to set aside park land within Property Reserve that strategically aligns with comprehensive plan and development patterns
- Continue to follow up on goals and priorities established in 2017, 2022 master plans
- Focus on community priorities from survey including trails, park development in south LS, neighborhood park amenities, and preservation of open space

