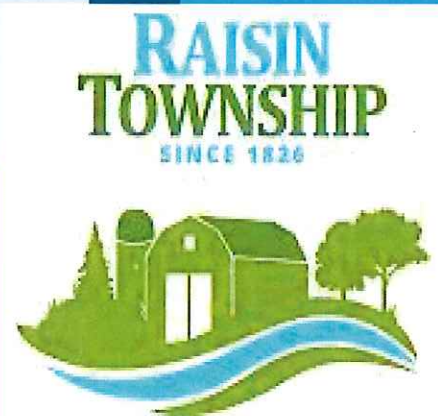


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Introduction

What this Plan Contains

The 2018 - 2022 Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Plan begins with a brief overview of the Plan as well as a Description of the Planning Process which was used to develop the Plan. The Plan then presents a Community Description, providing information on both the physical and social characteristics of the community. This section is followed by a detailed Recreation Inventory which describes the existing recreational resources of the Raisin Charter Township community, as well as Lenawee County and the regional area. The Plan then gives a brief outline of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee Administrative Structure, including information on budget. The Basis for Action Program presents the results of a community leader survey as well as other documentation which identify the community's recreational needs over the five-year planning cycle. The Action program then presents the Plan's objectives as well as a capital improvements schedule and strategies for implementation. Finally, the Plan Adoption section includes resolutions documenting the Plan's adoption by the Township Board, Planning Commission, and the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee.

Purpose of the Plan

The 2018 - 2022 Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Plan is intended to meet the Michigan Department of Natural Resources standards for community recreation planning which is necessary for eligibility to grant programs. It is additionally useful in providing the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee with a guide of goals they wish to achieve over the next five years. Public input is seen as essential to understand the Township constituent's needs, desires, and dreams and to formulate a recreation Plan.

Planning Process

The process used to generate the Plan consists of three phases:

1. Background studies, 2. Evaluation, and 3. Plan development.

The Planning Commission used three different tools for our background studies.

1. Demographics from the US Census Bureau was used to get a look at the characteristics of the Township population.

2. Next, we developed a survey, so we would hear the voice of the public.

3. Data was collected for state and county and local park systems, also data from privately operated recreational facilities within the Township borders was used in this study.

With all information collected, the Planning Commission analyzed the data. Using the three methods to predict the population, the Township can expect to see an increase in

population between 7.6% to 16.2% by the year 2020. This increase in population will stress Raisin Charter Township's park infrastructure.

Survey results show that a combination of infrastructure and maintenance were the top issues identified by the public. The decision was made that the Township Board with the help of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee would address the daily maintenance issues and the Planning Commission would develop a 5-year Plan to address safety, infrastructure and the opening of new pathways for the residents.

The Plan also includes the following sections as recommended by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources requirements.

- Description of the Community: characteristics of Raisin Charter Township (demographic, economic, social, physical, and natural resource) were inventoried and analyzed.
- Inventory of Existing Park/Recreation Facilities: parks/recreation facilities (Township, other local, public and private) were inventoried and tabulated.
- Evaluation and Description of Administrative Structure: Raisin Charter Township's recreation administration was charted and discussed.
- Preparation of Action Program/Basis for Action: A five-year action, based upon recreation goals and objectives, existing resources, and documented facility's needs, was formulated.
- Adoption of 2018-2022 Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Plan: The Plan has been adopted in conformance with Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Recreational Grants Section guidelines (Revised 12/20/2016).

As a measure of soliciting adequate public input during the preparation of the Plan, two means were used. As a first means to solicit early public input for the Plan, a community survey was placed on the Township's website for a 30-day period. The information from the community survey was used to assist in drafting the Plan. The draft Plan was also placed on the Township's website for a 30-day period. This allowed the public a chance to read the Plan and provide feedback to the Planning Commission. The second means of soliciting public input was an advertised public hearing held by the Planning Commission. A public meeting notice was placed in the Adrian Daily Telegram on June 21, 2017. This is the newspaper of general circulation in Raisin Charter Township. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on July 11, 2017 and approved the draft Plan.

The Board of Trustees convened on November 27, 2017 and adopted by a resolution the 2018- 2022 Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Plan.

Community Description

Regional Location

Raisin Charter Township is located in northeast Lenawee County, Michigan, which borders the State of Ohio. It is northeast of the City of Adrian, the county seat, and south of the City of Tecumseh.

The location of Raisin Charter Township (see Appendix B) provides its residents with the advantages of living in a rural environment while enjoying the conveniences of a small town with an array of shops and services provided by the City of Tecumseh. The availability of larger national market stores is located in the City of Adrian. The Township is within a forty-five-minute drive to Toledo, Ohio and a ninety-minute drive to Detroit. A state highway, M-52 runs north and south along a majority of the Township's western boundary. Another state highway, M-50, is located nearby to the north, running generally east and west, traversing the City of Tecumseh.

Demographics

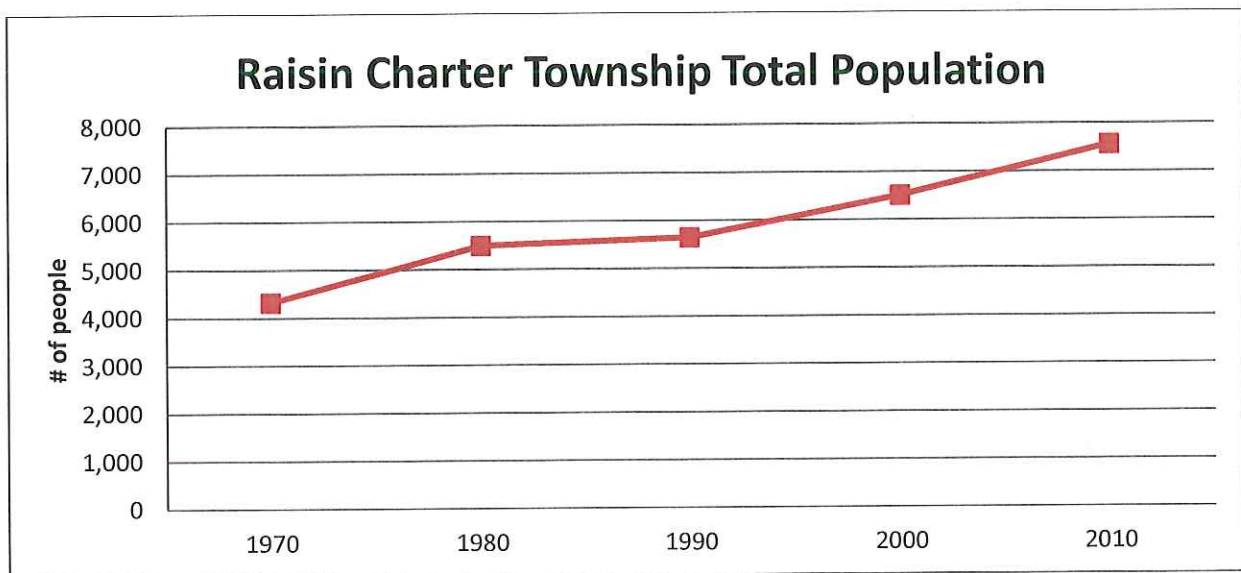
Population and Housing Characteristics

The demographic composition of Raisin Charter Township will have an effect upon its recreational needs. For example:

- **Population History & Projections** – establish the need for general recreational facilities based on the Michigan Department of Natural Resources criteria.
- **Age & Sex of the Population** – further refine the need for general recreational facilities balanced among various age groups and gender interests.
- **Household & Family Composition** – refines the need for general recreational facilities balanced between family-oriented and individual activities.
- **Racial & Ethnic Composition** – refines the need for general recreational facilities balanced among the various interests of racial and ethnic groups.
- **Disabilities of Residents** – identifies the need for special recreation facilities and disability accommodations to general recreation facilities.
- **Income** – helps to illustrate the need for publicly-funded recreational facilities.

Population History & Projections

The Raisin Charter Township had a population of 7,559 in 2010 according to the U.S. Census. The Township population grew 27.2% between 1970 and 1980 but the next decade the Township only experienced a 2.7% growth rate. Between 1990 and 2010 the Township experienced double digit growth both decades (15.2% & 16.2% respectively). Overall, Raisin Charter Township has grown by 3,237 people or about 75% over the past 40 years.



Population Projections

Population projections are important inputs into the planning process because they provide a basis for determining future parks and recreation needs. However, population projections are difficult to make because of all the variables that can affect population growth. Such as increase number of births verses deaths; development of new housing and the relocation of businesses and industries. Therefore, we will be using three different techniques to project the future population of Raisin Charter Township.

The first two techniques involve the arithmetic and geometric projection methods. The arithmetic method is derived by determining the numerical growth over the 2000 – 2010 decade and adding it to each projected decade. The geometric technique involved determines the percentage growth during the 2000's and allocation that percentage growth to future decades. The third population projection technique is known as the "Constant Share" method. This method assumes that a community will maintain an unchanging proportion of the county's population. This percentage is then applied to the projection of the Township's future population. This method takes advantage of the greater accuracy in projection relatively large populations, but it makes the assumption that the Township will maintain a constant share of the county population. In 2010, Raisin Charter Township made up 7.6% of Lenawee County's total population.

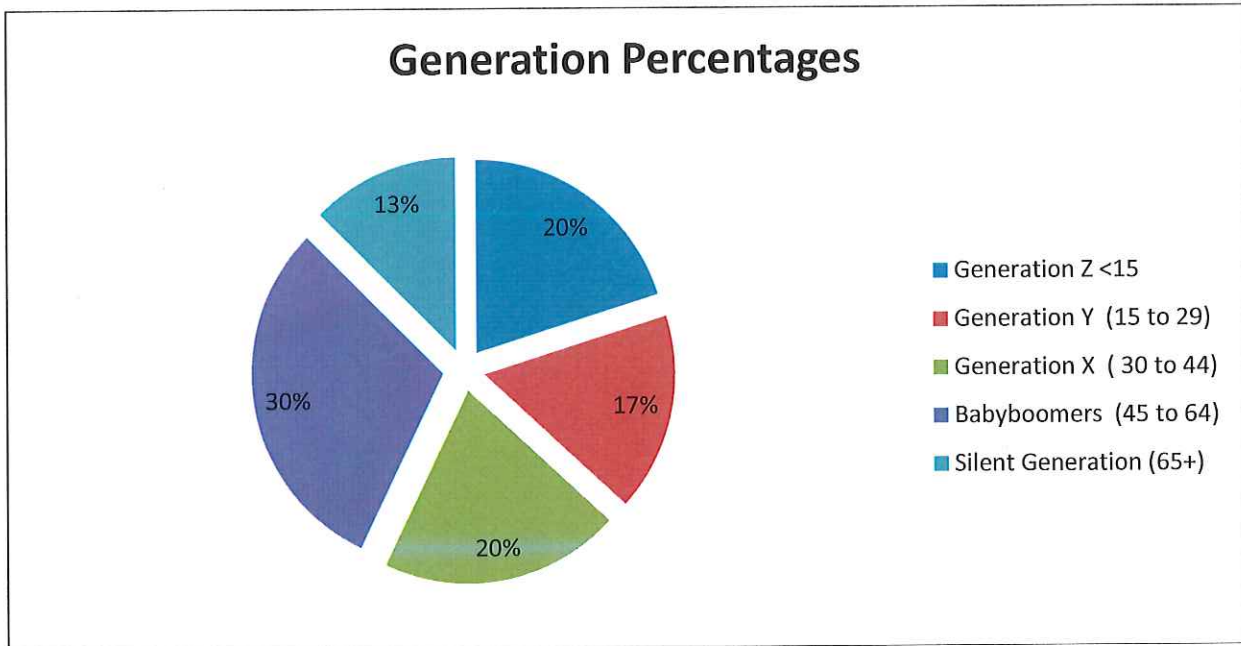
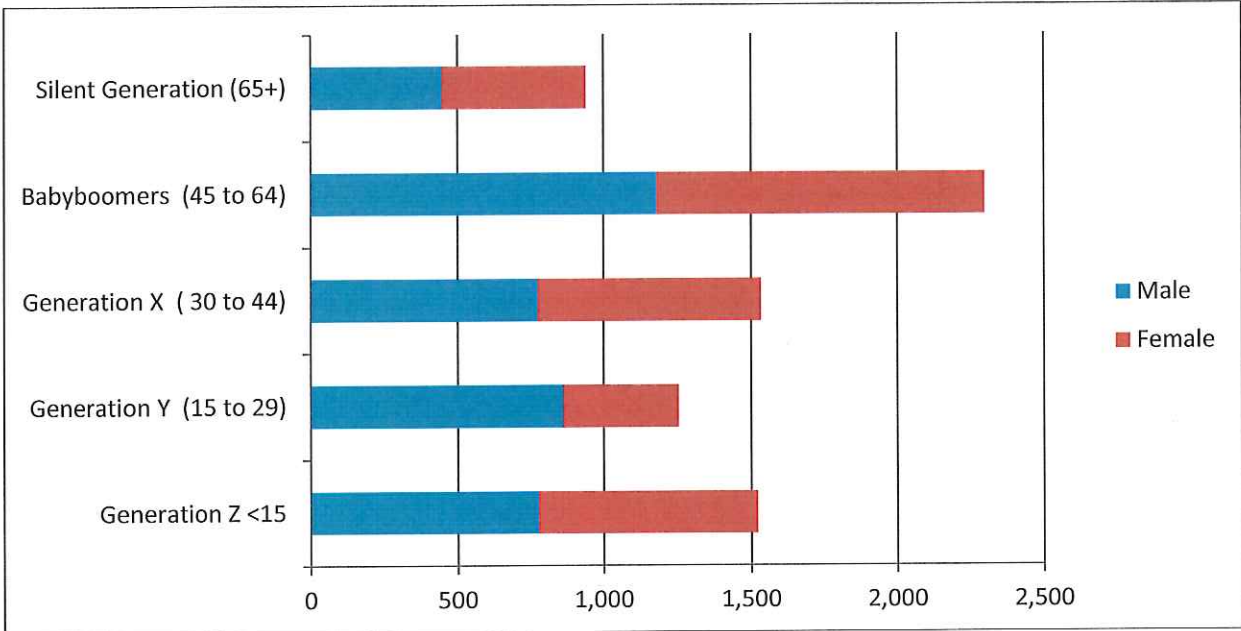
The following table provides the results of the three methods of population projection.

Population Projections Raisin Charter Township 2010-2020

Technique	1990	2000	2010	2020	Total Increase
Arithmetic	5,648	6,507	7,559	8,611	1,052
Geometric	5,648	6,507	7,559	8,784	1,225
Constant Share	5,648	6,507	7,559	8,133	574

Age & Sex of Raisin Charter Township Population

The median age of all Township residents was 40.1 years in 2010. However, the median age for women was 40.5 years while it was only 39.8 years for men. The difference can be explained by examining the generations which comprise the population of the Township.



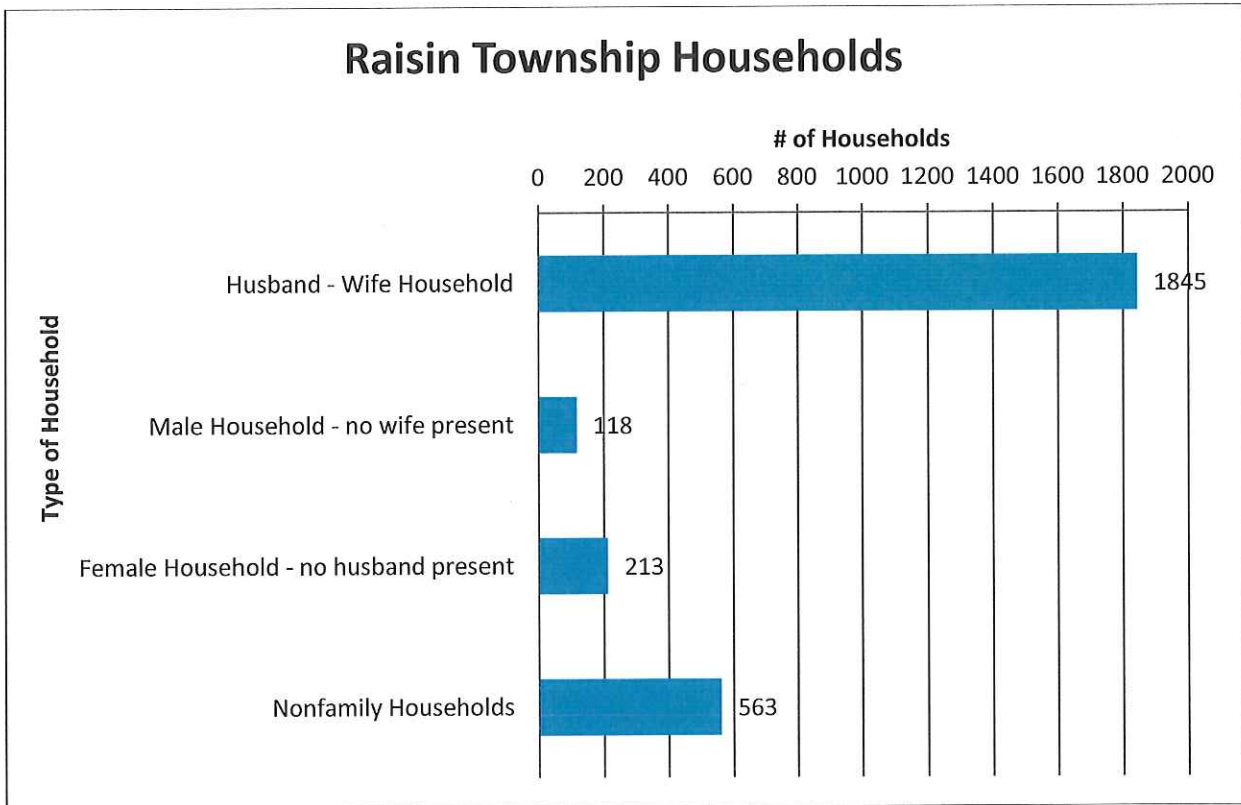
Baby boomers – people from 45 to 64 years of age – accounted for 30.4% of the population of the Township, by far the largest population within the Township. Generation X- people (30 to 44) and Z (< 15) had almost identical percentages (20.3% & 20.2%) respectfully. Generation Y (15 to 29) accounted for 16.6% of the population and finally the Silent Generation (over 65) accounted for 12.5% of the population of Raisin Charter Township. The following table provides a more detailed breakdown of age.

Age of Township Population

Resident Age Bracket	Male	Female	Total
Under 5	208	203	411
5 to 9 years	249	255	504
10 to 14 years	320	289	609
15 to 19 years	311	258	569
20 to 24 years	170	165	335
25 to 29 years	182	171	353
30 to 34 years	196	203	399
35 to 39 years	288	295	583
40 to 44 years	291	263	554
45 to 49 years	339	328	667
50 to 54 years	297	287	584
55 to 59 years	249	287	536
60 to 64 years	273	239	512
65 to 69 years	170	204	374
70 to 74 years	131	108	239
75 to 79 years	72	91	163
80 to 84 years	51	59	110
Over 85	25	32	57
Total	3,822	3,737	7,559

Household & Family Composition

There were 2,739 households in the Township in 2010. The majority (79.4%) of these households were comprised of families. Within the group of family households, the majority (84.8%) of these households were comprised of families with a husband and wife present in the home. The other 15.2% of the family homes were led by a male or female without a spouse present. The Township's non-family households were at 20.6% of all households in 2010. The average size of household in 2010 was 2.75 people and the average size of the families was 3.06 people. The following chart shows the breakdown of the households in the Township.



Racial & Ethnic Composition

Race and ethnicity are not significant issues given the 95% of the population of the Township was white in the year 2010 and each of the other racial groups comprised less than 1% of the population. Only 5.3% of the population was of Hispanic origin.

Natural Resources and Physical Conditions

Raisin Charter Township is located in an area which is characterized by relatively flat, fertile topography in the northeast portion of Lenawee County. Gently rolling terrain is characteristic throughout the rest of the community. Most of these lands are used for the agricultural production of corn, wheat, and soybeans.

The River Raisin intersects the Township in a north-south direction, almost dividing it in half. The river is a significant natural resource in the community. For the most part, its shoreline is undevelopable due, in part, to wet soils and extreme slopes. It flows through a valley area which varies in width between a few hundred feet to nearly half a mile. This area is often susceptible to flooding and offers a prime example of a natural river corridor. The slopes of this valley area vary from gently sloping to severely steep. A majority of the River Raisin basin area is wooded with a mixture of maple, ash, elm and cottonwood trees. The area has a vast number of wetlands. The Township should promote the preservation of this significant natural resource and encourage education of its benefits to the community.

The Nature Conservancy has recognized the River Raisin basin as a natural significant resource by acquiring nearly 400 acres within the northern portion of the Township. It is identified by them as the Ives Road Fen and is considered one of the largest prairie fens in Michigan. Also, the Michigan Nature Association has just acquired 90 acres within the Township. Additional preservation efforts should be encouraged by private organizations and property owners.

Land uses throughout the Township vary. The most predominant land use is agriculture, with residential development second, industrial third, commercial/office/business fourth, and extraction fifth. The remainder of the land is vacant and constitutes the majority of land throughout the center of the Township. This vacant land is mainly attributed to the River Raisin. Because this area is not suited for either farming or development, it provides a rich area for recreational and preservation possibilities. Recreational potential for this area could include fishing, environmental education centers, picnicking, hiking and possibly camping.

Recreation Inventory

The residents of Raisin Charter Township have limited opportunities for recreational resources on the regional, county, and local levels. However, the neighboring communities of Adrian and Tecumseh do provide several recreational facilities and programs. This chapter describes the recreational facilities available around the Township area.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources boat launches have been excluded from this list because they are too numerous to list.

Regional Recreation

The regional recreational facilities available to the residents of Raisin Charter Township are limited to three State Parks. As indicated in the map located in Appendix C, two of these parks, Cambridge State Historic Park and W.J. Hayes State Park are located in the far northwest corner of the county. The other park, Lake Hudson State Park, is located in the far southwest corner of the county. The following list provides the features available at each park.

	Acreage	Camping	Picnic Area	Play-ground	Beach House	Boat Launch	Inter-pretive Center	Swimming	Hunting	Fishing
Cambridge State Historic Park	80	N/A	Y				Y			
W. J. Hayes State Park	654	185	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y		Y
Lake Hudson State Park	2796	50	Y			Y		Y	Y	Y

Michigan State University operates Hidden Lake Gardens, a botanical garden west of Tipton. This facility is open to the public and offers hiking / walking trails, nature study and interpretive displays relating to plants and the environment.

County Recreation

Lenawee County provides four parks, a small boat launch, and one undeveloped site of recreational facilities to its citizens. The County also operates the County Fairgrounds within the City of Adrian. Additionally, county level park facilities are available in the neighboring counties of Washtenaw or Monroe; however, these facilities are approximately 45 minutes to an hour drive away. For a map of the county recreational areas, see Appendix C.

	Acreage	Picnic Shelter	Picnic Area	Play-ground	Soft-ball field	Soccer Field	Tennis Court	Boat Launch	Nature Study	Rest-rooms	Hiking
Bicentennial Park	78	Y	Y	Y		Y			Y	Y	Y
Gerber Hill Park	40	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				Y	
Iron Lake Boat Launch	1							Y			
Medina Park	40	Y	Y	Y	Y				Y	Y	
Ramsdell Nature Park	180	Y	Y							Y	Y
Taylor Road Park (undeveloped)	80										

Local Area Recreation

In neighboring communities, there are many different park facilities that provided recreational opportunities for our residents. Within the City of Adrian nearly 662 acres of parklands exist. However, their largest park (400+ acres) Heritage Park is located within the boundaries of Raisin Charter Township in the west-central area.

The Kiwanis Trail, located along the abandoned Detroit/Toledo and Ironton Railroad corridor begins in the City of Adrian and proceeds north through the Township to the Ives and Green Hwy. Intersection. The trail is approximately 7.5 miles in length. The entire railroad corridor was purchased by a private individual and donated to the City of Adrian, which currently maintains the corridor. Development of the trail was funded with the assistance of the Adrian Kiwanis Club. An additional mile of trail in the north portion of the Township remains incomplete. The location of the remaining portion of the trail is in question, however, a preliminary route is planned and a group is working to obtain easements and funding to complete the connection with the City of Tecumseh.

The City of Tecumseh provides a wide range of programs through its recreation department from Aerobics to Tennis lessons. They have 18 parks ranging from one acre mini-parks to a 130-acre specialty park. Many of these park facilities and programs are utilized by residents of Raisin Charter Township.

The Tecumseh Public School District operates an elementary school which occupies approximately ten acres on Sutton Road. The school grounds include two multi-feature play structures, several swings, a slide, a climbing dome, and two small soccer fields. Preliminary contact with the Tecumseh Board of Education indicated that this facility may be available for Township Recreation Programs on a cooperative basis. Adjacent to the Sutton Elementary School, the Lenawee Intermediate School District operates a school for children with disabilities. This facility occupies approximately 24 acres and has minimal recreation opportunities for use by the Township.

Other privately operated recreational facilities exist within the Township. They include, but are not limited to the following:

- Lenawee County Conservation Club
 - Archery Range (Indoor and Outdoor)
 - Pistol Range
 - .22 Rifle Range
 - Trap Shoot
 - Fishing Pond
- Raisin Valley Golf Course
- Stone Mountain Miniature Golf Course

- Skating Rink (Indoor Ice)
- Ten Pin Bowling Alley
- Sequoia Campground

Raisin Charter Township Recreation

The Township currently owns three park areas, Mitchell Memorial Park, the Osburn Subdivision Park, and the Sutton Road property. The Township also operates a Community Center in combination with its Township Offices and Fire Station at the corner of Gady Road and Occidental Hwy. For a map showing the location of these facilities, see Appendix C.

The following list provides an inventory of the features offered at Mitchell Memorial Park, the only developed recreational facility owned by the Township.

Name	Features/Facilities	Accessibility Code	Acreage	Service Area	MDNR Grant Funding
Mitchell Memorial Park	8 Ball Diamonds, 3 Soccer fields, 2 Tennis Courts, 2 Picnic Pavilions, Basketball Court, Volleyball Court, Small Tot Play Structure, Playground Equipment and 2 Horseshoe Pits.	2	38	Community park located on the corner of Green Hwy & Gady Rd.	N
Osburn Sub	Undeveloped Green Space	N/A	3		N
Sutton Road	Undeveloped Green Space	N/A	9		N
Raisin Charter Township Community Center	Large Meeting Room, Restrooms and Kitchen Area	2	6	Community Center located on Gady Rd.	N

Accessibility Code:

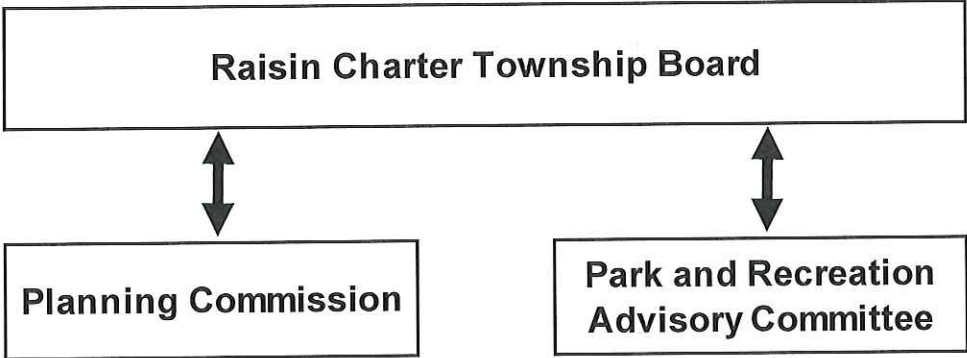
- 1 = None of the facilities/park areas meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
- 2 = Some of the facilities/park areas meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
- 3 = Most of the facilities/park areas meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
- 4 = All of the facilities/park areas meet 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
- 5 = The facility/park areas meet the Principals of Universal Design

Administrative Structure

Organizational Chart

Raisin Charter Township recreational facilities are administered by a Park and Recreation Advisory Committee. This Committee shall make recommendations to the Township Board on issues concerning maintenance, fund raising, events, historic and environmental preservation, tourism, budget and property development. The Township's Board of Trustees will make all final decisions concerning the operation of these facilities. A description of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee's roles and responsibilities can be found in Appendix E.

The relationship of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee to other Township government functions is indicated in the following organization chart.



Park and Recreation Budget

Funding for parks and recreation comes from the Township's general fund. Raisin Charter Township's park and recreation detailed budget for 2016 and 2017 are included in the table below. Funding is currently provided by a budget adopted by the Township Board of Trustees. Funds are forwarded through the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for projects, maintenance and general operation.

Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Budget

DEPARTMENT AND GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2016 Township Budget	2017 Township Budget
Dept 691-PARKS			
801.000	PROFESSIONAL & CONTRACTUAL	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00
852.000	TELEPHONE	\$ 788.00	\$ 788.00
860.000	GAS & OIL	\$ 100.00	\$ -
861.000	MILEAGE	\$ -	\$ 100.00
910.000	INSURANCE/LIABILITY	\$ 2,386.00	\$ 2,213.00
921.000	ELECTRICITY	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
956.000	MISC	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
974.002	POP MACHINE EXPENSE	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
974.010	UPGRADE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
974.015	PARK CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Totals for Dept 691-PARKS		\$ 14,474.00	\$ 14,301.00
Dept 724-PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE			
702.000	WAGES	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
715.000	SOCIAL SECURITY MATCHING	\$ 155.00	\$ 155.00
716.000	MEDICARE MATCHING	\$ 36.00	\$ 36.00
801.000	PROFESSIONAL & CONTRACTUAL	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
860.000	MILEAGE	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
900.000	PRINTING & PUBLICATION	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
957.000	EDUCATION/TRAINING	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
974.001	PARK ACTIVITIES	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Totals for Dept 724-PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE		\$ 9,091.00	\$ 9,091.00
TOTALS:		\$ 23,565.00	\$ 23,392.00

Currently Raisin Charter Township works with Tecumseh Area Little League and FCA Soccer Club. Often, they provide additional funds and services to Raisin Charter Township, such as sponsoring recreation leagues, programming, maintenance and improvements to Mitchell Memorial Park.

Basis for Action Program

Basis for Action

Raisin Charter Township has long been a provider of local and inter-community recreation facilities. Mitchell Memorial Park was originally developed in the late 1970's and has been upgraded as the general fund budget permitted. It has served as the site for both soccer and Little League baseball activities for players from Raisin Charter Township, Tecumseh, Adrian and other surrounding communities. The increased participation in these sports, particularly soccer and Little League play, is substantial. The number of soccer players increased from 190 to 300 players between 1995 and 2009, while the Little League numbers increased from 258 to 390 players during this same period.

Up to the present time Raisin Charter Township has paid for all recreation costs from the general fund, with assistance from others. Many private donations have made Mitchell Memorial Park what it is today. It is evident that as population increases and the demand for recreation facilities and services grow, the Township's budget resources may be sorely stressed.

Therefore, an essential task in the recreation planning process is to determine the needs of the community through a basis for action plan. This task can be accomplished simply by asking people what they desire, either formally through a survey or informally by discussions at public workshops. A community can also compare itself to established recreational standards based on the size of the community and its service area. In addition, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee can simply make observations of what is needed to improve the community's recreational opportunities. In preparing this Plan all methods were considered to formulate the Action Program that follows.

Participation Data and Trends

At the present time, the Township does not provide any structured recreation programs. However, the FCA Soccer Club and Tecumseh Area Little League, Inc. (TALL) organize and register participants in their programs that use the Mitchell Memorial Park athletic fields.

Little League averages around 350 local participants each spring. They also run several tournaments out of the park in the spring and fall. FCA runs girls' and boys' soccer teams out of the park in both the spring and fall averaging around 250 participants in each season.

Recreation Survey

The Planning Commission conducted a survey in December 2016 to gain public input for the 2018 – 2022 Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Plan. The survey was placed on the Township's website and paper copies were available at the Township office for those that did not have internet access. The complete survey results are included in Appendix D.

Based on the survey results, the top five priorities for park and recreation over the next five years are as follows:

- Construct a walking path around the perimeter of Mitchell Memorial Park
- Construct walkways to inner-connect all sport fields together
- Develop and implement landscaping plan for Mitchell Memorial Park
- Construct new shelters
- Purchase and install new playground equipment

Other Identified Needs

The Raisin Charter Township Planning Commission has identified the following needs based on either observed deficiencies or desires provided by the FCA Soccer Club and the Tecumseh Little League:

- Lack of organized programs for all age groups
- Improve handicapped accessibility at Mitchell Memorial Park

Additional attention should be given to develop a method for which new incoming development projects within the Township consider recreation features with their projects. Asking developers to donate land will help assure that new residents will have recreational opportunities as population increases. Many effective methods can be established to provide guidelines to these land contributions.

Action Program

Plan Objectives

The Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Advisory Committee will provide administration of the Plan, along with the Planning Commission in a supporting role, the following objectives for 2018- 2022 planning period. These priorities were derived after considering the needs of the community, observed deficiencies in the recreational resources of the area, and the results of the Township's Park and Recreation survey.

- Goal 1: Construct new shelters with ADA compliant restrooms

During the summer months, picnic shelters that we currently have are fully rented. We are receiving many request for these shelters. In order to meet the demands from our residents, construction of more shelters is necessary. Adding ADA compliant restrooms to those shelters will provide disabled residents the necessary facilities they need to enjoy the park.

- Goal 2: Landscaping and construction of walkways to connect all sport fields

Currently, Mitchell Memorial Park has no walkways that connect all the sports fields and shelters together. During heavy usage of the park facilities, residents park in four different areas of the park. This becomes a problem for mobility challenged residents. By providing a solid surface connecting all sport fields and shelters together, residents with mobility issues would have a much easier time getting around Mitchell Memorial Park.

- Goal 3: Construct a walking path around the perimeter of Mitchell Memorial Park

Raisin Charter Township is a rural area without the infrastructure that you would normally find in a small town such as Tecumseh. Without this infrastructure, residents are forced to walk or bike on the sides of the roads for exercise and enjoyment. Putting vehicles and residents onto the same roadway is a recipe for disaster. This places residents in danger of being struck by a vehicle. By constructing a walking path within the confines of Mitchell Memorial Park, the Township would provide a safe place for Township residents to walk and bike without placing themselves in danger.

- Goal 4: Purchase and install new playground equipment

Although Mitchell Memorial Park has traditional playground equipment available for children to use, this equipment has outlived its usefulness. Replacing this equipment with a commercial playground structures will allow children of all abilities to participate in outdoor activities.

- Goal 5: Sutton Road land acquisition for Raisin River access

Raisin Charter Township owns 9 acres on the corner of Sutton Road and Raisin Center Hwy. If this property is to be developed, we must acquire a small strip of land to gain access to the River Raisin Waterway. This land acquisition, will allow us to develop a canoe livery for our residents. Approximately 6 miles of river will need to be cleared of fallen trees so our residents can safely travel down the most "crooked river in the world".

Projected Action Plan Implementation

All proposed action Plan projects are subject to available funding

Location	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Mitchell Memorial Park	Landscaping & Walking Paths	Walking Trail	Shelter Construction	New Playground Equipment	
Sutton Road					Land Acquisition for River Access

Implementation Strategies

Accomplishing the recommended actions over the next five years requires adequate funding. The Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation current budget provides a limited amount of funds for development and improvements. Therefore, the following strategies are recommended.

Apply for State Funding

At the State level, the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) and the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) continue to be the primary funding sources for parkland acquisition and development. The MNRTF provides funding for the purchase and development of parkland for natural resource based preservation and recreation.

Goals of the program are to:

- Protect natural resources and provide for their access, public use and enjoyment;
- Provide public access to Michigan's water bodies, particularly the Great Lakes and facilitate their recreation use;
- Meet regional, county and community needs for outdoor recreation opportunities;
- Improve the opportunities for outdoor recreation in urban areas; and
- Stimulate Michigan's economy through recreation related tourism and community revitalization.

Grant proposals must include a local match of at least 25 percent of the total project cost. There is no minimum or maximum for acquisition projects. For development projects, the minimum funding request is \$15,000 and the maximum is \$500,000. Applications are due in April and August for acquisition projects and April (only) for development projects. The LWCF is a federal appropriation to the National Park Service, who distributes funds to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and

Environment for development of outdoor recreation facilities. The focus of the program has been on trailway systems and other community recreation needs such as playgrounds, picnic areas, skate parks, ball fields, soccer fields and walking paths. Minimum grant requests are \$30,000 and maximum grant requests are \$75,000. The match percentage must be 50 percent of the total project cost. Applications are accepted throughout the year, but must be in by April 1 to be considered for the following years grant funds. Other funding conducted in partnership with the MDNR is available through other state government divisions, such as the Fisheries Division (Inland Fisheries Grant Program) or the Forestry Division (Detroit Edison Tree Planting, Forest Stewardship Program).

Applying for Other Grant Funding

Access to Recreation is a grant program available for universal access of people of all abilities to a wide variety of recreation opportunities, such as hiking trails, scenic outlooks, water activities of all kinds, beaches, fishing and boating, playgrounds, picnic areas, campgrounds and more. Recreation Access Matching Grants provide up to 50 percent matching funds (up to \$10,000) for the purchase of universally accessible recreation equipment and materials. Access by Design Awards is designed to stimulate the development of creative universally designed recreation experiences that invite, welcome, and support the inclusion of people of all abilities. Winning designs are awarded cash prizes to build the projects up to \$250,000 with a 25 percent minimum match.

Other Sources of Funding

Raisin Charter Township will investigate additional sources of funding. Donations, sponsorships, fund-raising events and seeking other sources of revenue are methods that should be employed to raise funds for park acquisition and development.

Appendix A

A RESOLUTION # 2017 – 112717

of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Raisin, Lenawee County, Michigan
Approving the Raisin Township Park and Recreation Plan

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Raisin, Lenawee County, Michigan (“Township”), held at the Raisin Township Community Center on the 27th of November, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time:

The following was offered by HAWKINS and supported by McDERMOTT.

WHEREAS, the Raisin Charter Township Planning Commission (“Planning Commission”) has undertaken a planning process to determine the recreation and natural resource conservation needs and desires of its residents during a five (5) year period covering the years 2018 through 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission began the process of developing a community recreation and natural resource conservation plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities; and

WHEREAS, residents of the Township were provided with a well-advertised opportunity during the development of the draft plan to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the recreation and natural resource conservation plan; and

WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the final draft plan for a period of at least thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on July 11, 2017 at the Raisin Township Community Center by the Planning Commission to provide an opportunity for all residents of the Township to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Raisin Township Park and Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has developed the plan as a guideline for improving recreation and enhancing natural resource conservation for the Township; and

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the Planning Commission voted to adopt said Raisin Township Park and Recreation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Raisin hereby adopts the Raisin Township Park and Recreation Plan.

ADOPTED:

Yeas: HAWKINS, McDERMOTT, MEAD, JOHNSON, SCHULTZ, WITT

Nays: NONE

Absent: BROUSSEAU

RESOLUTION IS HEREBY ADOPTED.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF LENAWEЕ)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk for the Charter Township of Raisin, Lenawee County Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Raisin at a Regular Meeting held on the 27th day of November, 2017, and further certify that the above Resolution was adopted at said meeting.



Jackie Schultz, Clerk, Charter Township of Raisin

Jackie Schultz

From: Dale Witt <Dwitt@raisintownship.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 9:04 PM
To: Katie Hoffman; Jackie Schultz
Subject: Web Posting - Parks and Recs Plan
Attachments: Parks and Recreation Plan - 5-year (033117).pdf

Web posting - - will need to add some verbiage on the description for this post.

Thanks,
Dale

Dale Witt
Supervisor, Raisin Charter Township
Email: Dwitt@raisintownship.com
Office: 517-423-3162
Cell: 517-260-8873

AFFP

001-July 11 - 5yr Park & Rec

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF MICHIGAN }
COUNTY OF LENAWEE } SS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

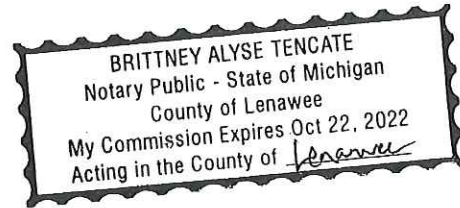
RAISIN CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
JULY 11, 2017
6:30 P. M.

Carol Perez, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Carol Perez of the The Daily Telegram, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Adrian, Lenawee County, Michigan; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

June 21, 2017

The Raisin Charter Township Planning Commission will be holding two (2) Public Hearings on July 11, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. for adopting the 5 – Year Parks and Recreation Plan and text updates to the Agricultural Tourism Ordinance Section 9.300 for micro-breweries as a permitted use. Anyone wishing to make comment may do so by attending the meeting at the Raisin Community Center, 3266 Gady Rd., Adrian, MI 49221, or by sending a letter to the Raisin Charter Township Planning Commission, 5525 Occidental Hwy., Tecumseh, MI 49286
1T June 21.



That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Carol Perez
Carol Perez

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 21st day of June 2017.

Brittney Alyse Tencate
Brittney Alyse Tencate, Notary, Lenawee County, Michigan

My commission expires: October 22, 2022

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RAISIN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
5525 S. Occidental Highway
TECUMSEH, MI 49286

Raisin Charter Township

Planning Commission

July 11, 2017

Submitted Cheryl Benham, Secretary

Members Present: Bob Utter, Tom VanSickle, Cheryl Benham, Mike Barolo

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Township Supervisor Dale Witt

Chairman Utter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Bartolo, seconded VanSickle to approve the agenda of July 11, 2017. **Motion Carried - ALL.**

Motion by Bartolo, seconded VanSickle to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2017 special meeting. **Motion Carried – ALL.**

Motion by Bartolo, seconded VanSickle to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2017 as amended. **Motion Carried – ALL.**

Public Comments: Lee Andree, Harvest Energy Solutions, asked for a copy of the June 12, 2017 meeting. He was told the minutes were on the website.

Public Hearings

1) 5-year Parks and Recreation Plan

Chairman Utter opened the public hearing at 6:34 p.m.

Public Comments were opened.

Debra Brosseau, Raisin Township Parks Committee, stated that she was happy that this was moving forward. If this gets approved what is the next step.

Supervisor Witt stated that once the Plan is approved it will go to Region 2 and it will come back to the Township Board to be voted on.

Dale Witt stated that the park committee has reviewed the plan and has approved it to move forward.

Public comments closed at 6:38 p.m.

The public hearing was published 6/21/17 in the Daily Telegram

No communication was received by the Township for or against the 5 year Parks and Recreation Plan.

Input was received from the Township Board and adjustments were made accordingly.

Motion by Bartole, seconded by Benham to approve the 5 year Parks and Recreation plan as amended. **Motion Carried – ALL.**

2) Revision to the Agricultural Tourism Ordinance

Chairman Utter recused himself for this portion of the meeting.

Meeting turned over to Vice Chair Bartole.

Public Comment opened at 6:39 p.m.

The notice was published 6/21/17 in the Daily Telegram.

No communication was received by the Township for or against the Agricultural Tourism Ordinance Revision

Public comment closed at 6:40 pm

Motion by Benham, seconded by VanSickle to approve the revisions to the Agricultural Tourism Ordinance. **Motion Carried – All.**

Vice Chair Bartole turned the meeting back over to Chairman Utter.

Communications

1) Township Board – Trustee Larry Crittenden passed away a few weeks ago. The Board has started looking for a replacement

Dump day will be this Saturday at the RCC from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

The County will have a recycling day on August 20th.

2) Board of Appeals – Have been meeting we have updated the bylaws and have everything in place in case something comes before the board.

3) Other – Work is continuing to be done on the surrounding roads.

Unfinished Business

1) Commercial Solar Panel Farm Ordinance

Lee Andre of Harvest Energy Solutions was present for questions on how solar farms work. Stated he is a mechanical engineer has worked for Wacker for 30+ years, retired and moved to Germany for 3 years upon returning to the states he started working for Harvest Energy Solutions.

Mr. Andre explained solar panels, how they work, how they can benefit business or homes.

Board discussed what the next step should be. Consensus was to look at sample ordinances for the next meeting.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

Motion by Bartolo, seconded by VanSickle to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. **Motion Carried – ALL.**



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Dale Witt, Supervisor

Email: Dwitt@raisintownship.com

March 16, 2018

Mr. Grant E. Bauman, AICP, Principal Planner
Region 2 Planning Commission
120 W. Michigan Ave.
9th Floor
Jackson, MI 49201

RE: Raisin Charter Township 5-year Park and Recreation Plan

Dear Mr. Bauman,

The Raisin Charter Township Board approved by resolution on November 27, 2017 our Park and Recreation Plan. I will send the plan document, along with this letter, to you by email as the MiRecGrants program requires.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

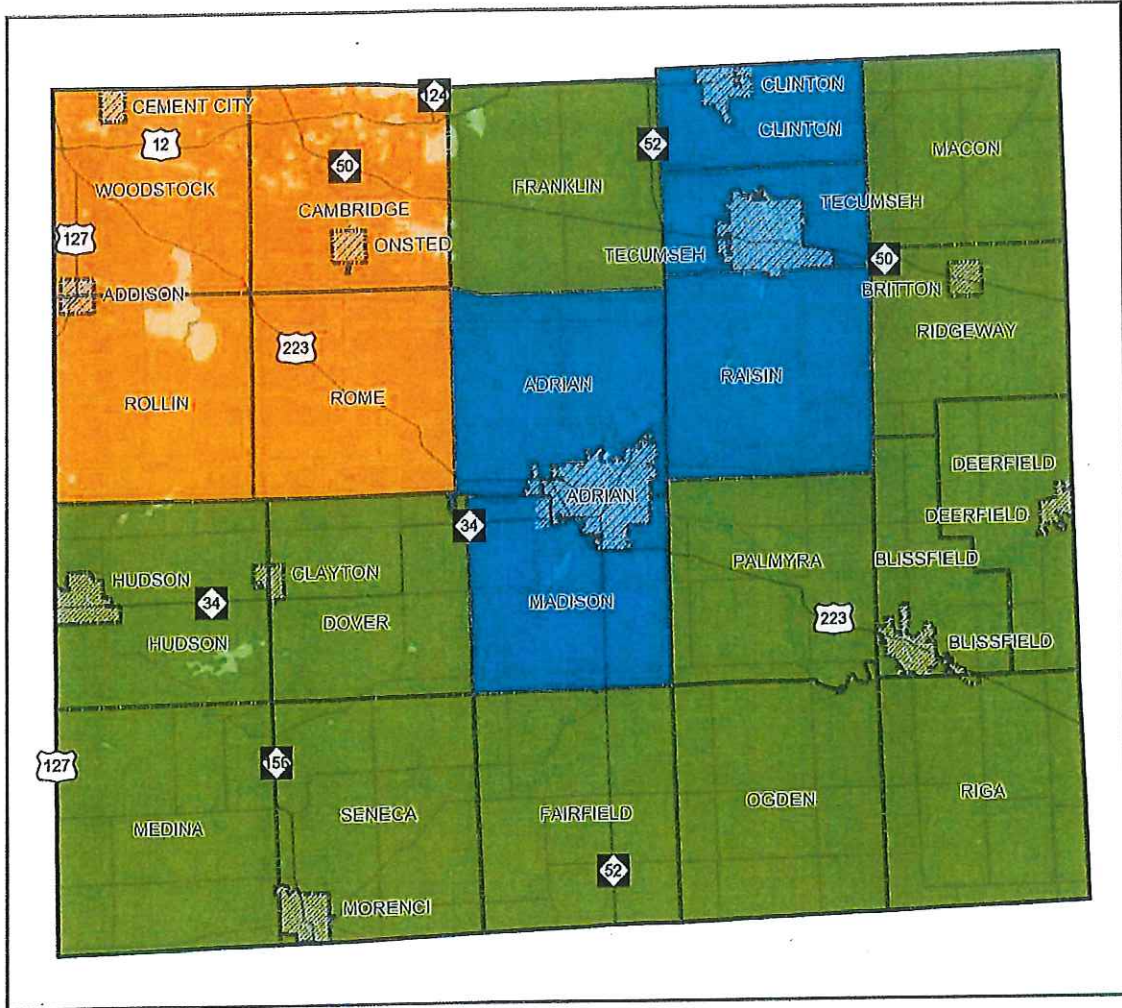
Very truly yours,

Dale Witt, Supervisor
Raisin Charter Township

Appendix B

Lenawee County

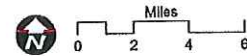
Map #1-2 Lenawee County Planning Regions



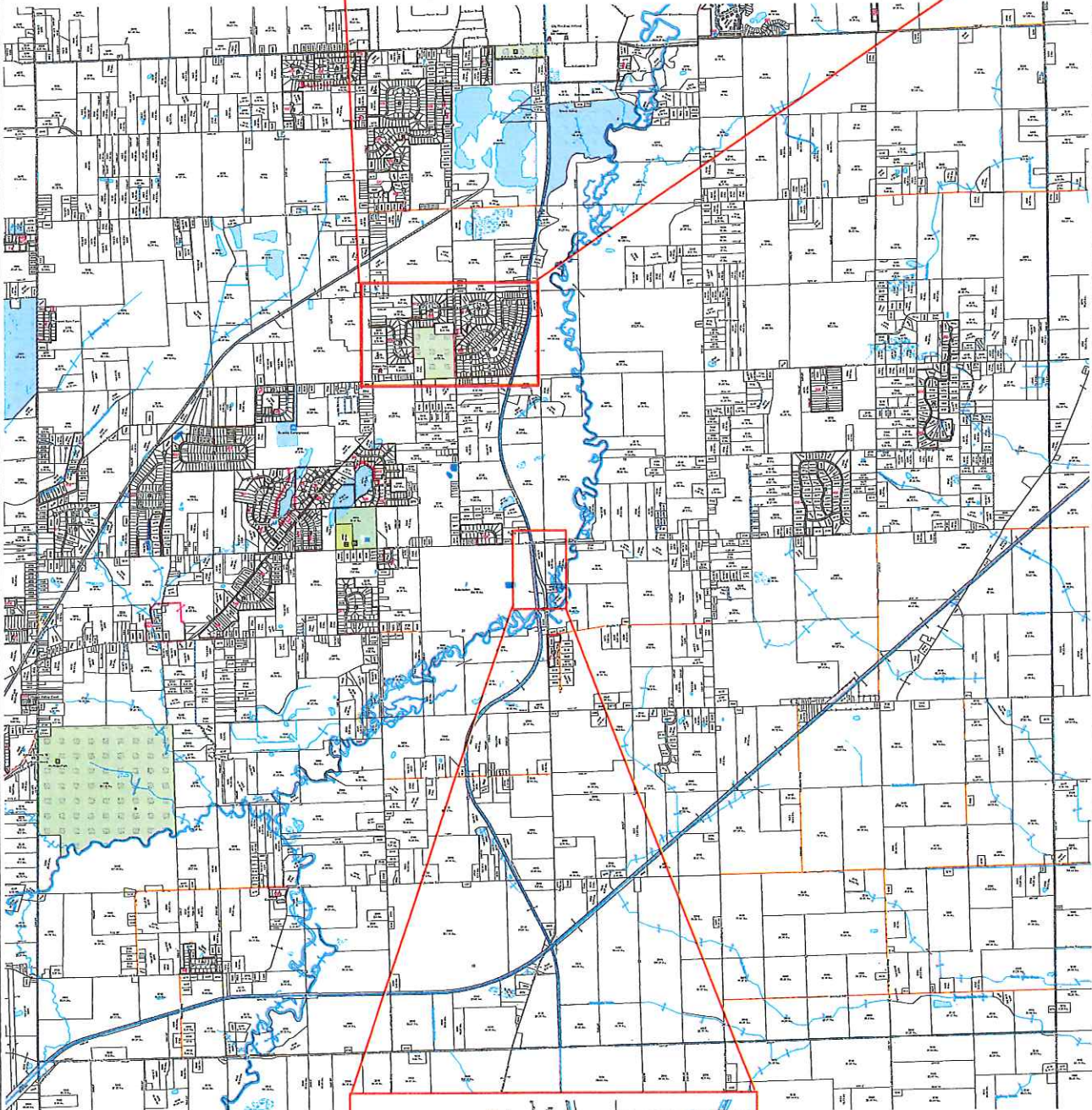
- REGIONS**
- CLINTON-TECUMSEH-ADRIAN
URBANIZING CORRIDOR
 - IRISH HILLS-DEVILS LAKE
RECREATIONAL AREA
 - RURAL LENAWEЕ COUNTY

- MUNICIPALITIES**
- CITY AND VILLAGES

SOURCE(S):
 - MICHIGAN GEOGRAPHIC DATA LIBRARY
 - US BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
 - REGION 2 PLANNING COMMISSION



Appendix C



Raisin Township
 Lenawee County MI

Lenawee County G.I.S
 301 N. MAIN ST
 200A COUNTY HOUSE 1ST FLOOR
 LENAWEE, MI 48851
 PHONE: 517-234-4333
 FAX: 517-234-4321

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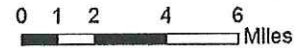
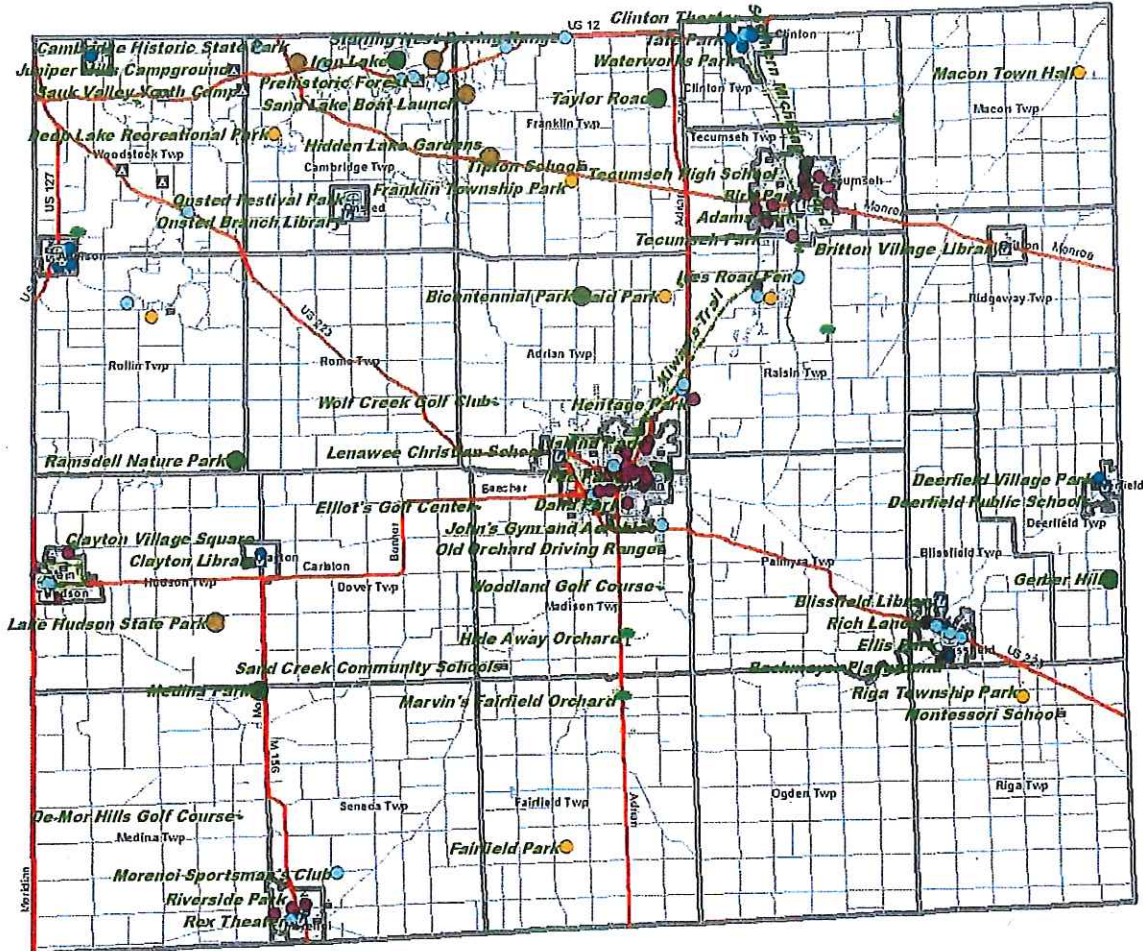
1 inch = 850 feet

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Lenawee County

Map #2-2 Lenawee County Parks & Recreation Facilities



Community Parks

- County Parks
- State Parks
- City Parks
- Village Parks
- Township Parks

Recreation Facilities

- 🏠 Museum
- 🎓 School
- 🎳 Bowling
- 🏠 Campground
- 🌳 Orchard

- Trails
- +— Scenic RR

Map Created: 12/30/08
Map Revised 11/14/14

- 👴 Senior Center
- 📖 Library
- ⛳ Golf Course
- 🟡 Private (misc.)

Soccer Fields

North Shelter =>

<= South Shelter



Appendix D

The Raisin Charter Township Planning Commission is currently in the process of creating a plan to guide the development of public recreation opportunities in the Township over the next 5 years. In order to best serve the needs of the residents, we would appreciate it if you would take a few minutes to complete this survey. **Your input is important to us.**

1. Are you a resident of Raisin Charter Township?

- Yes
- No

2. What is your age?

- 20 and under
- 21 to 40
- 41 to 60
- 61 and over

3. What is our gender?

- Female
- Male

4. How often do you use the park?

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Daily | <input type="radio"/> Occasionally |
| <input type="radio"/> Weekly | <input type="radio"/> Rarely |
| <input type="radio"/> Monthly | <input type="radio"/> Never |

5. How many children in household?

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> 0 | <input type="radio"/> 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> 1 | <input type="radio"/> 4 or more |
| <input type="radio"/> 2 | |

6. If any, what are the ages of the children in your household? (Check all that apply)

- 0 to 5 11 to 15
 6 to 10 16 to 18

7. In general, do you come alone or with others?

- Alone
 With others

8. Why do you visit this park? (Check all that apply)

- Biking Playground Activities
 Exercise or Jog Volunteer
 Relax Event
 Walking Time with family/friends
 Bring children Sports
 Watching Activities Walk Dog
 Other (please specify)

9. Do you visit the park as part of an exercise or health and fitness routine?

- Often
 Sometimes
 Never

10. Is the park normally clean?

- Often
 Sometimes
 Never
 No Opinion

11. Have you or your children ever participated in an event or organized program in the park?

- Often
- Sometimes
- Never
- Not aware of any programs

12. Do your children use the play equipment?

- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

13. Please rate the condition of the play equipment.

- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- No Opinion

14. Do you feel safe in this park?

- Yes, definitely
- Most of the time
- Not very often
- No Opinion

15. Is the park maintenance adequate?

- Yes
- No

16. What are your priorities for this park? (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessible for all abilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Benches / Tables |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Barnyard and Dirt Play Areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Playhouse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Play Equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Water Features |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drinking Fountains | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog runs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> Horticulture (Gardens / Flowers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic Areas / Park Shelters | <input type="checkbox"/> More trash cans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation / Sports Programming | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Art |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Security and cameras | <input type="checkbox"/> Restrooms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Courts / Fields | <input type="checkbox"/> Signage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking Trails / Wellness Stations | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree planting / maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | |

17. If you checked Sports Courts / Fields as a priority in the previous question, what type of sports? (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball | <input type="checkbox"/> Pickleball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball | <input type="checkbox"/> Horseshoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer | <input type="checkbox"/> Tetherball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis | <input type="checkbox"/> Disk Golf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | |

18. What are your top 3 priorities for the park?

Priority #1

Priority #2

Priority #3

19. What is your overall opinion of the Raisin Charter Township's Mitchell Park?

- Excellent
- Very Good
- Fair
- Poor
- No Opinion

20. Are you willing to volunteer to assist in improving Mitchell Park?

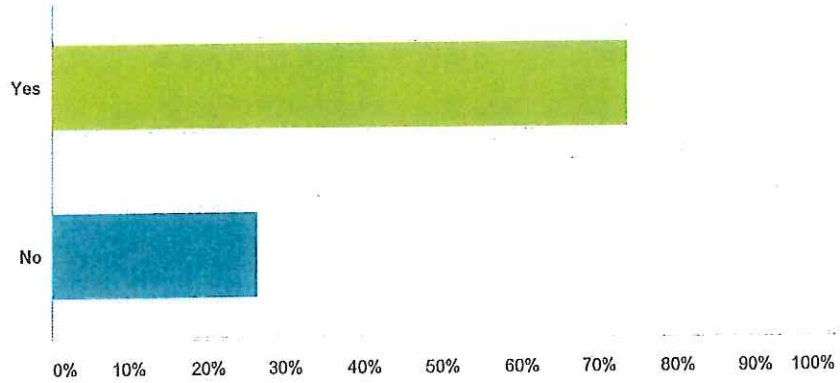
- Yes
- No

If you choose Yes, please enter your contact information

21. Please use the space below to provide us with any ideas you may have to improve park features or services.

Q1 Are you a resident of Raisin Charter Township?

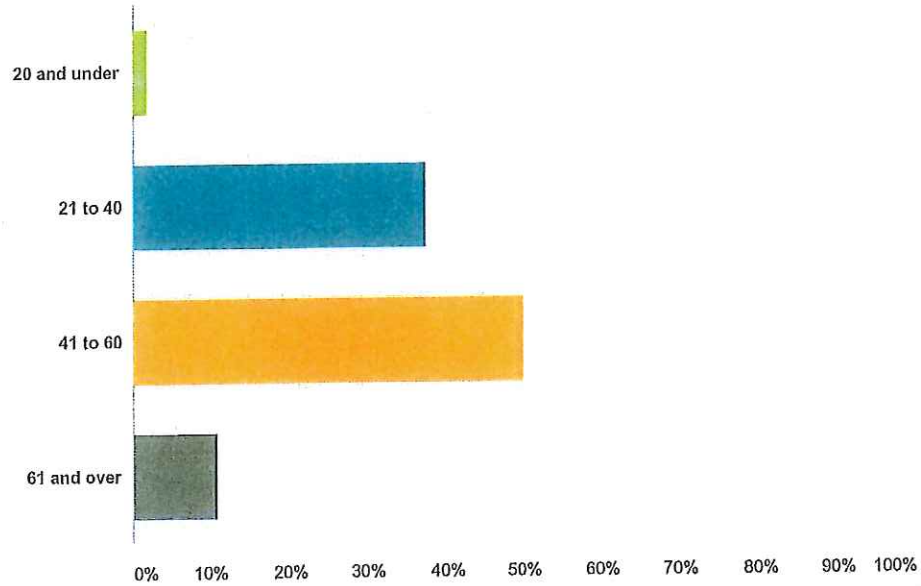
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	73.64%	81
No	26.36%	29
Total		110

Q2 What is your age?

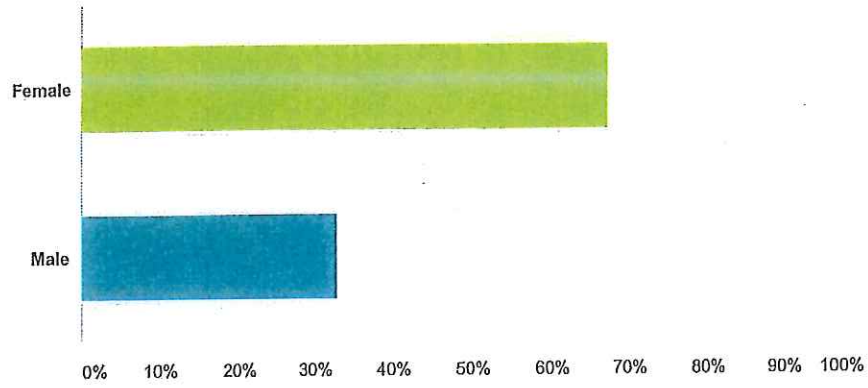
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Answer Choices	Responses	
20 and under	1.82%	2
21 to 40	37.27%	41
41 to 60	50.00%	55
61 and over	10.91%	12
Total		110

Q3 What is our gender?

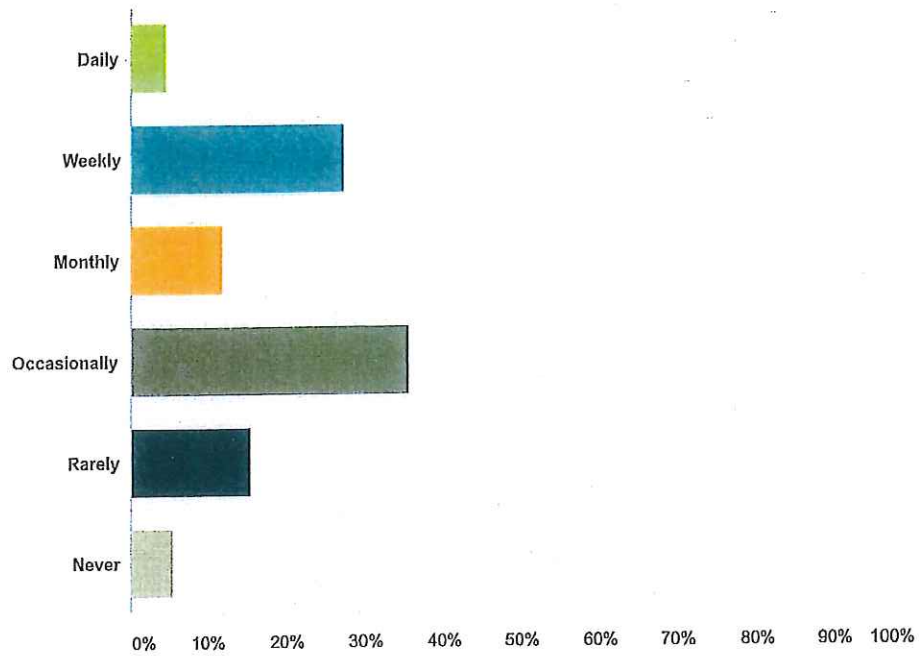
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Answer Choices	Responses
Female	67.27% 74
Male	32.73% 36
Total	110

Q4 How often do you use the park?

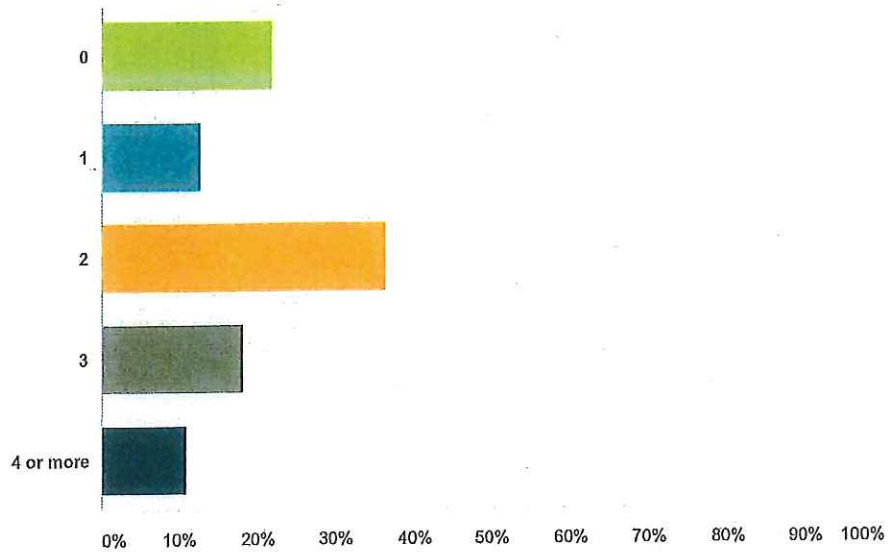
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Answer Choices	Responses
Daily	4.55% 5
Weekly	27.27% 30
Monthly	11.82% 13
Occasionally	35.45% 39
Rarely	15.45% 17
Never	5.45% 6
Total	110

Q5 How many children in household?

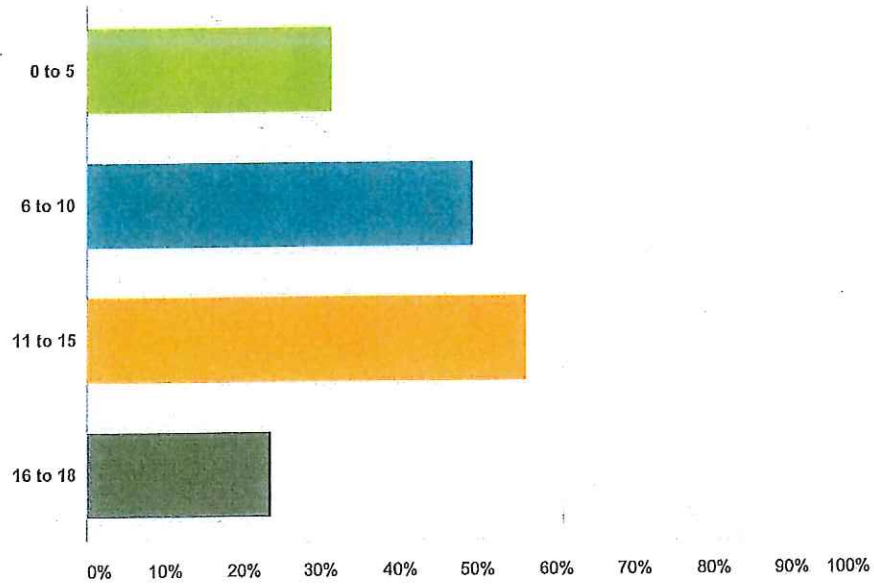
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Answer Choices	Responses	
0	21.82%	24
1	12.73%	14
2	36.36%	40
3	18.18%	20
4 or more	10.91%	12
Total		110

Q6 If any, what are the ages of the children in your household? (Check all that apply)

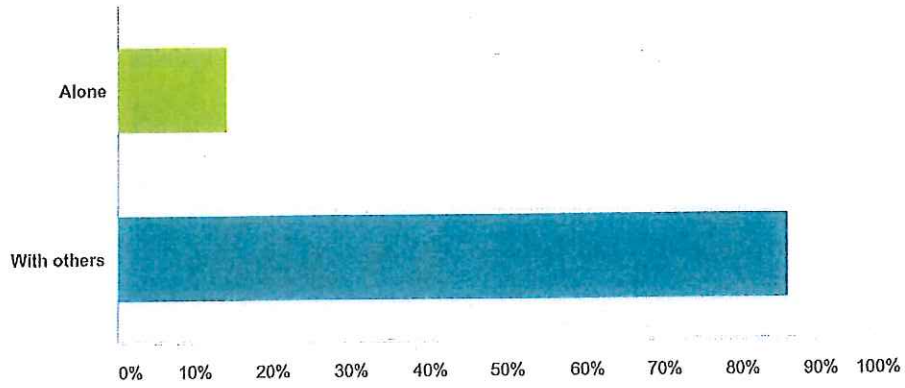
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Answer Choices	Responses	
0 to 5	31.46%	28
6 to 10	49.44%	44
11 to 15	56.18%	50
16 to 18	23.60%	21
Total Respondents: 89		

Q7 In general, do you come alone or with others?

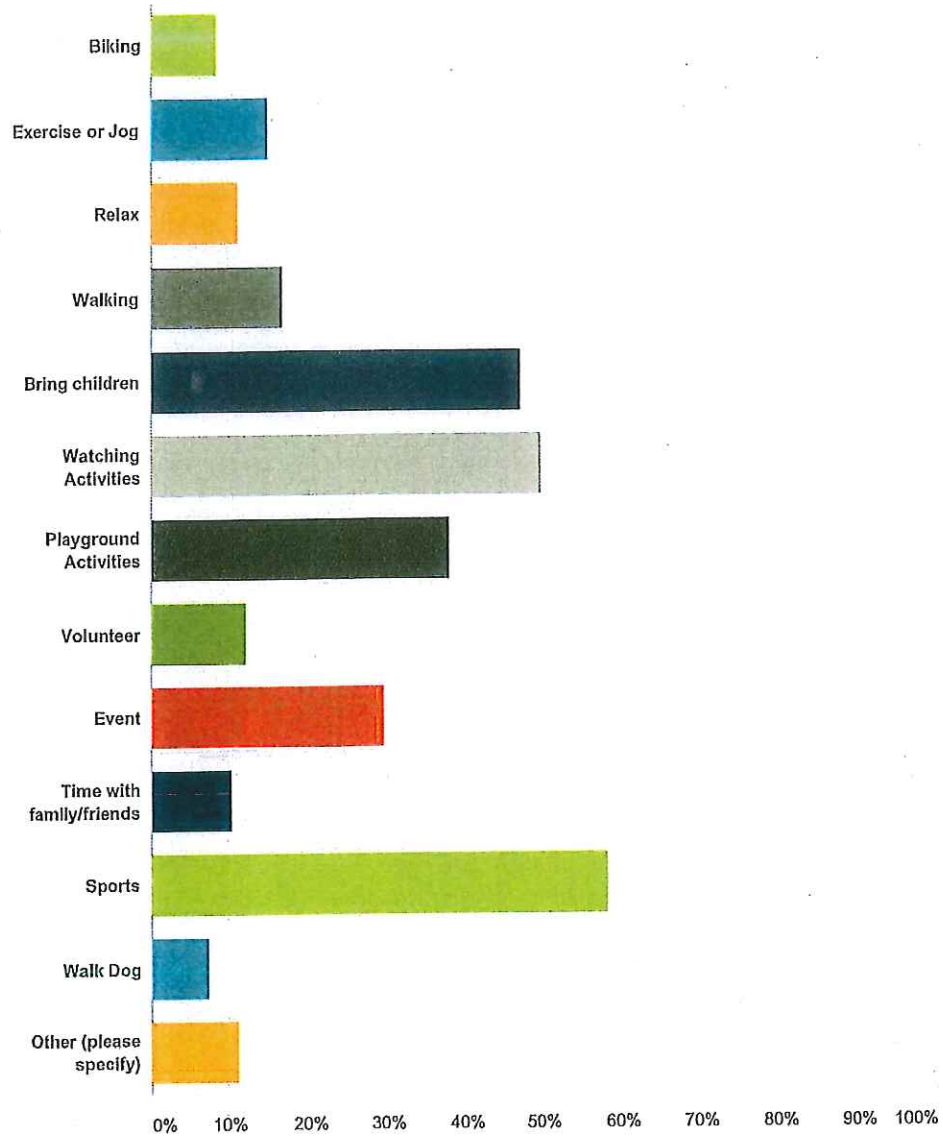
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Alone	14.29%	15
With others	85.71%	90
Total		105

Q8 Why do you visit this park? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 108 Skipped: 2



Answer Choices	Responses
Biking	8.33% 9
Exercise or Jog	14.81% 16
Relax	11.11% 12
Walking	16.67% 18
Bring children	47.22% 51

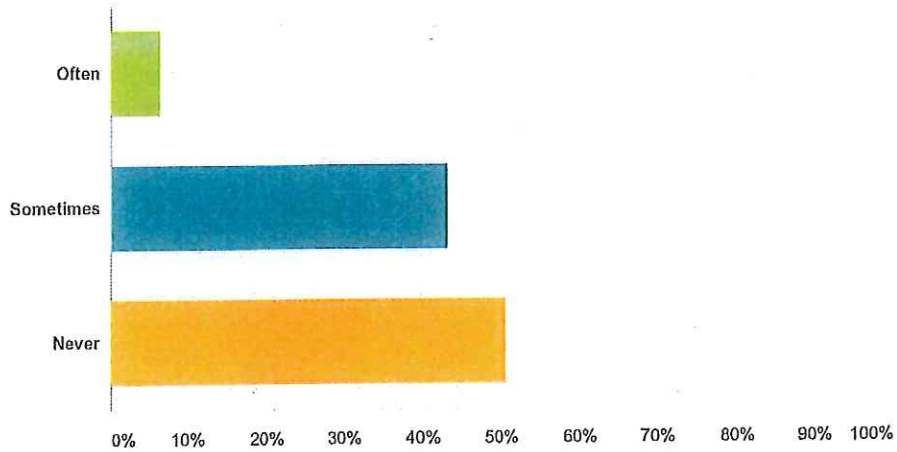
Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreational Survey

SurveyMonkey

Watching Activities	50.00%	54
Playground Activities	37.96%	41
Volunteer	12.04%	13
Event	29.63%	32
Time with family/friends	10.19%	11
Sports	58.33%	63
Walk Dog	7.41%	8
Other (please specify)	11.11%	12
Total Respondents: 108		

Q9 Do you visit the park as part of an exercise or health and fitness routine?

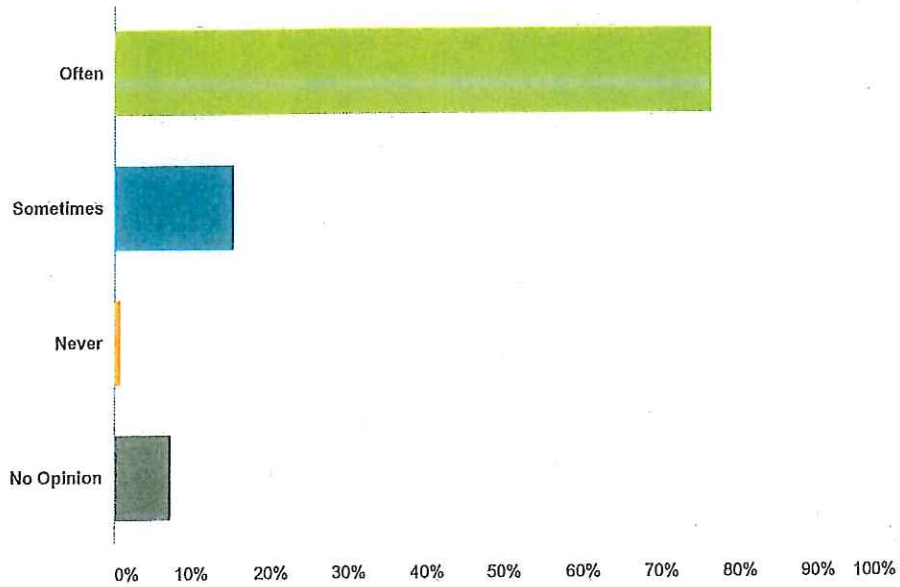
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Answer Choices	Responses
Often	6.42% 7
Sometimes	43.12% 47
Never	50.46% 55
Total	109

Q10 Is the park normally clean?

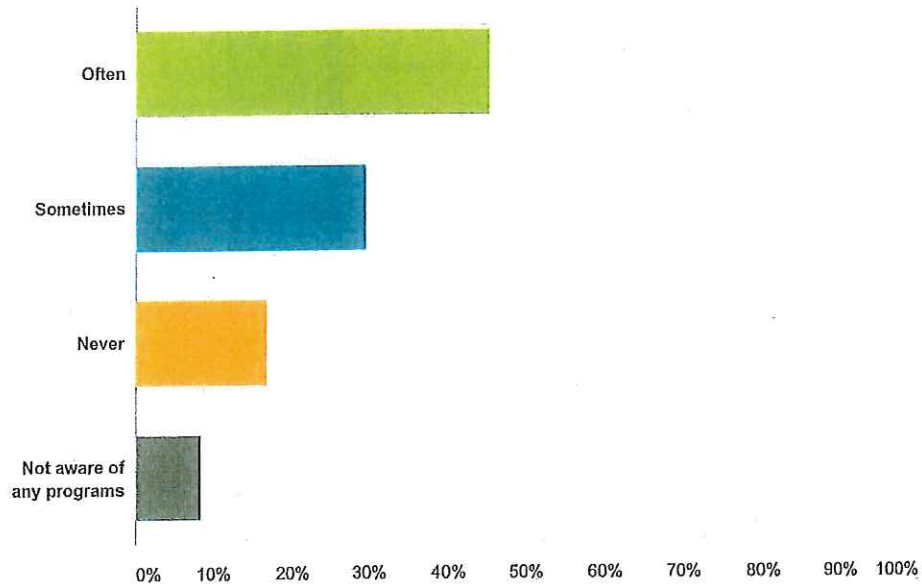
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Often	76.36%	84
Sometimes	15.45%	17
Never	0.91%	1
No Opinion	7.27%	8
Total		110

Q11 Have you or your children ever participated in an event or organized program in the park?

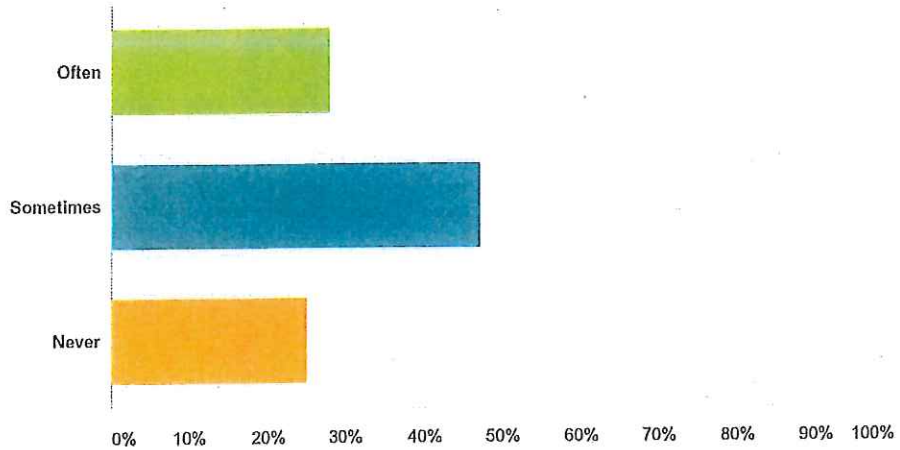
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Often	45.37%	49
Sometimes	29.63%	32
Never	16.67%	18
Not aware of any programs	8.33%	9
Total		108

Q12 Do your children use the play equipment?

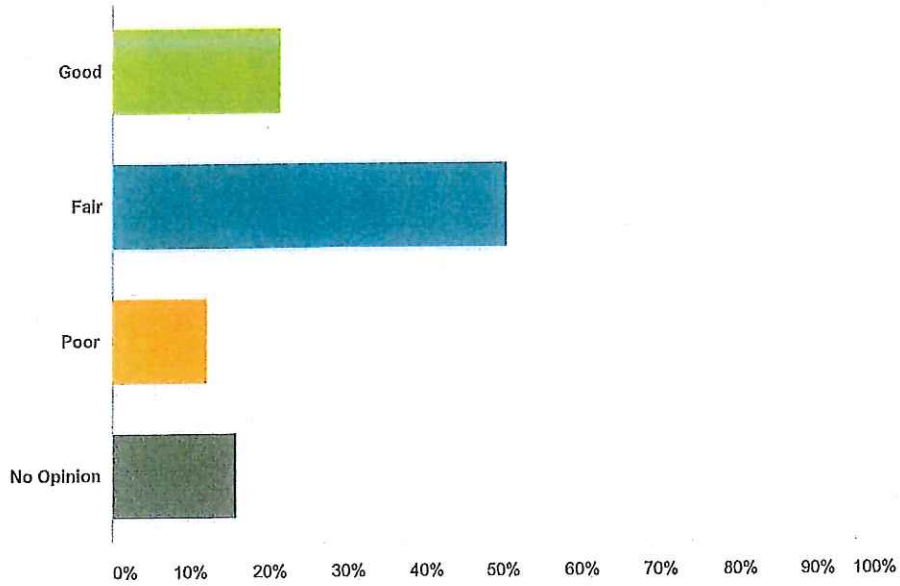
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Answer Choices	Responses
Often	27.88% 29
Sometimes	47.12% 49
Never	25.00% 26
Total	104

Q13 Please rate the condition of the play equipment.

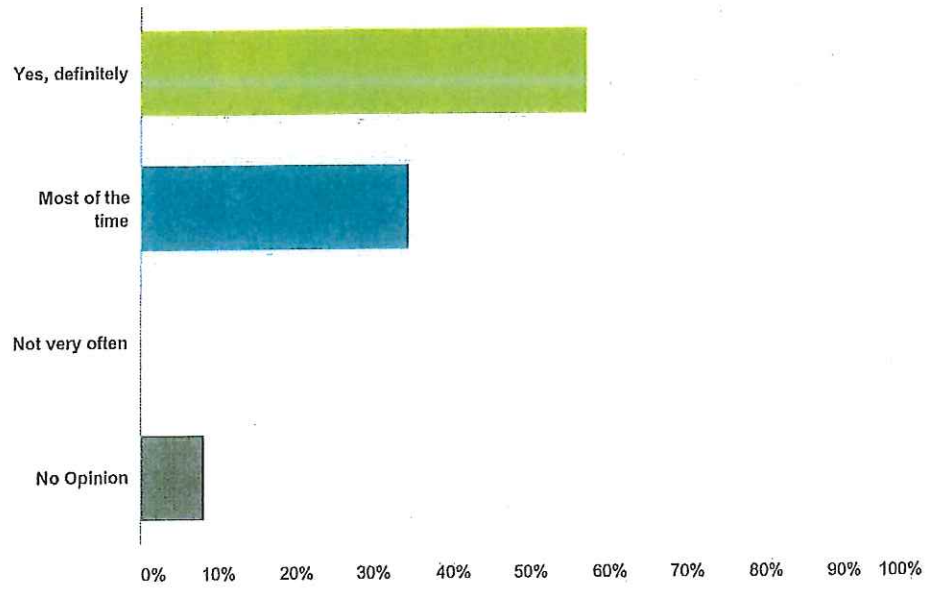
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Answer Choices	Responses
Good	21.50% 23
Fair	50.47% 54
Poor	12.15% 13
No Opinion	15.89% 17
Total	107

Q14 Do you feel safe in this park?

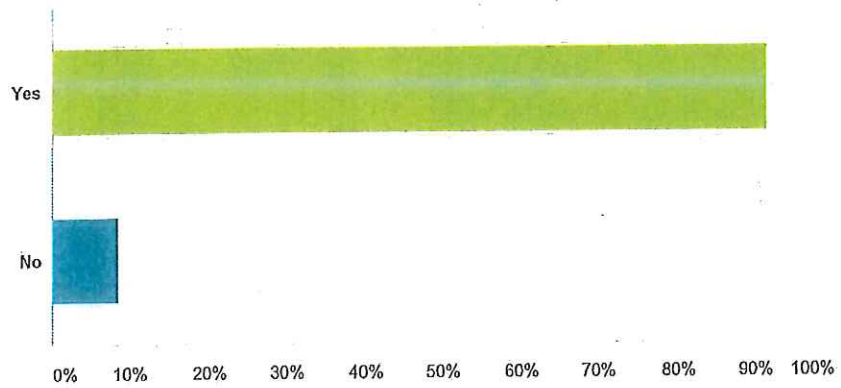
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Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Yes, definitely	57.27%	63
Most of the time	34.55%	38
Not very often	0.00%	0
No Opinion	8.18%	9
Total		110

Q15 Is the park maintenance adequate?

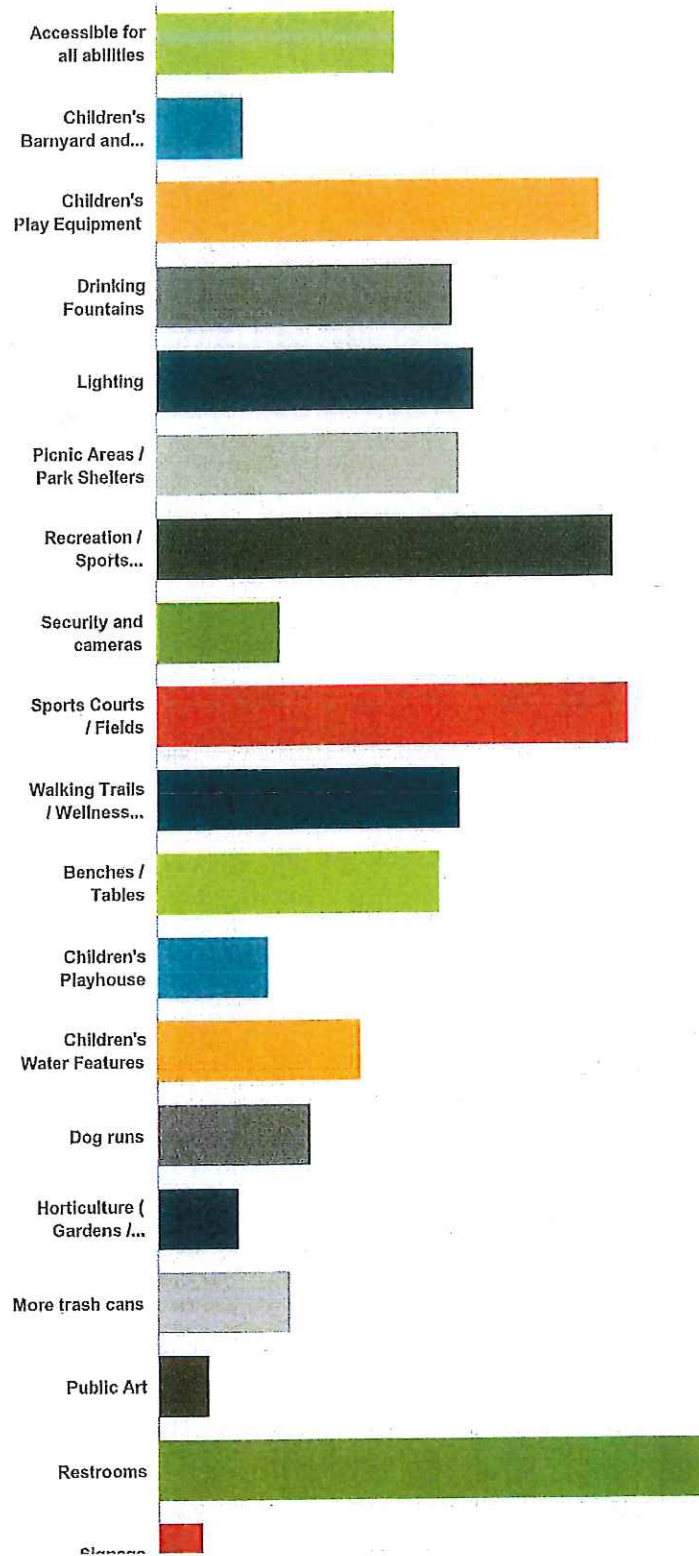
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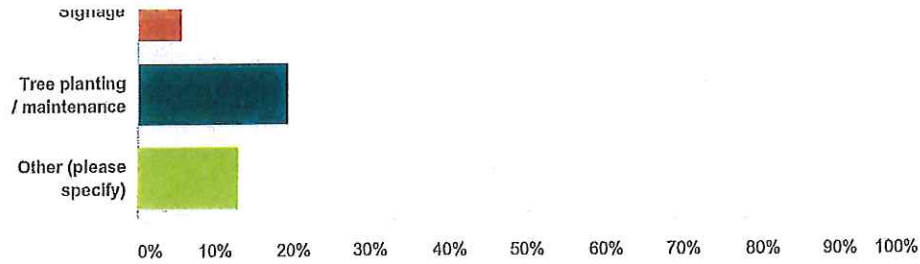


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	91.43% 96
No	8.57% 9
Total	105

Q16 What are your priorities for this park? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 108 Skipped: 2

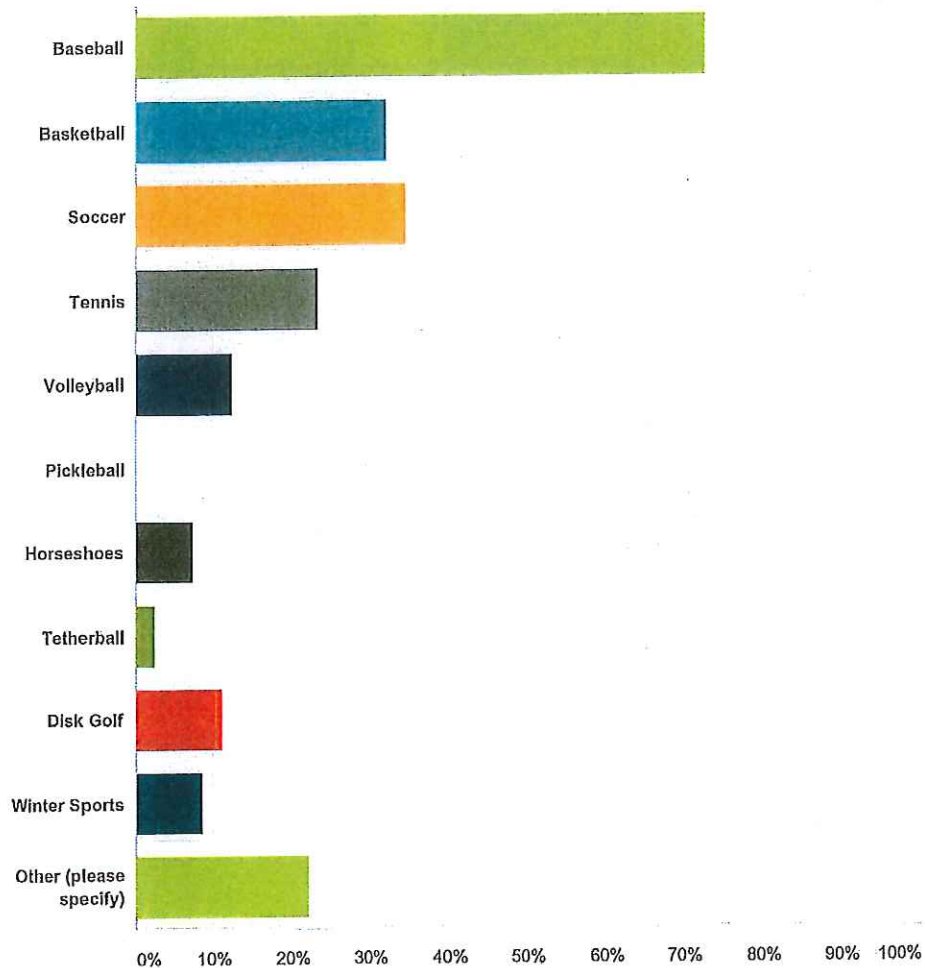




Answer Choices	Responses
Accessible for all abilities	30.56% 33
Children's Barnyard and Dirt Play Areas	11.11% 12
Children's Play Equipment	56.48% 61
Drinking Fountains	37.96% 41
Lighting	40.74% 44
Picnic Areas / Park Shelters	38.89% 42
Recreation / Sports Programming	58.33% 63
Security and cameras	15.74% 17
Sports Courts / Fields	60.19% 65
Walking Trails / Wellness Stations	38.89% 42
Benches / Tables	36.11% 39
Children's Playhouse	13.89% 15
Children's Water Features	25.93% 28
Dog runs	19.44% 21
Horticulture (Gardens / Flowers)	10.19% 11
More trash cans	16.67% 18
Public Art	6.48% 7
Restrooms	69.44% 75
Signage	5.56% 6
Tree planting / maintenance	19.44% 21
Other (please specify)	12.96% 14
Total Respondents: 108	

Q17 If you checked Sports Courts / Fields as a priority in the previous question, what type of sports? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 81 Skipped: 29



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Baseball	72.84%	59
Basketball	32.10%	26
Soccer	34.57%	28
Tennis	23.46%	19
Volleyball	12.35%	10
Pickleball	0.00%	0
Horseshoes	7.41%	6
Tetherball	2.47%	2

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Disk Golf	11.11%	9
Winter Sports	8.64%	7
Other (please specify)	22.22%	18
Total Respondents: 81		

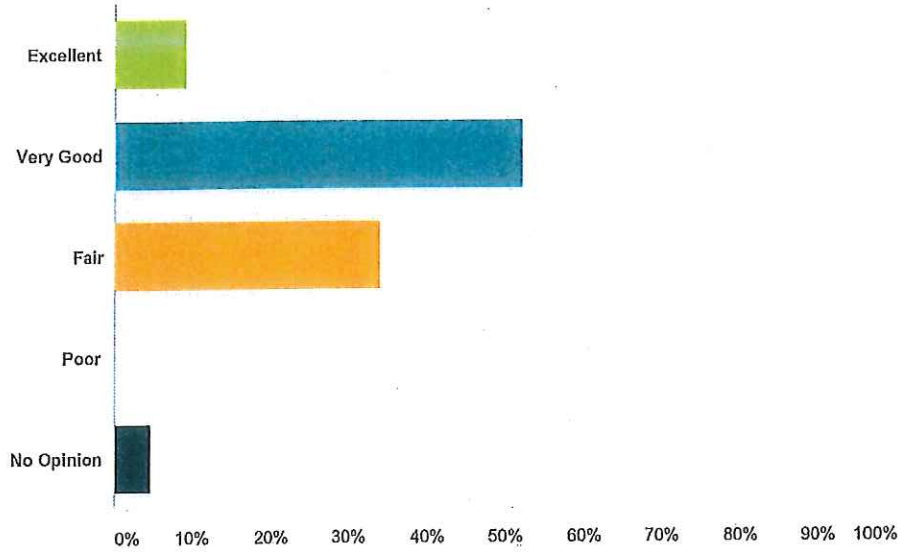
Q18 What are your top 3 priorities for the park?

Answered: 60 Skipped: 50

Answer Choices	Responses
Priority #1	100.00% 60
Priority #2	91.67% 55
Priority #3	83.33% 50

Q19 What is your overall opinion of the Raisin Charter Township's Mitchell Park?

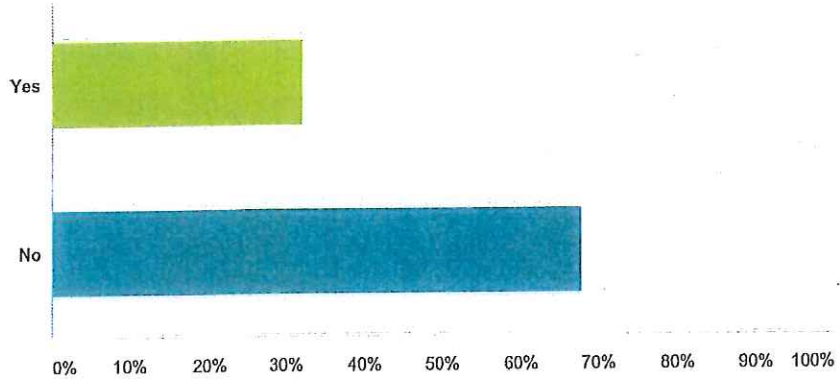
Answered: 109 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	9.17% 10
Very Good	52.29% 57
Fair	33.94% 37
Poor	0.00% 0
No Opinion	4.59% 5
Total	109

Q20 Are you willing to volunteer to assist in improving Mitchell Park?

Answered: 90 Skipped: 20



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	32.22%	29
No	67.78%	61
Total		90

Q21 Please use the space below to provide us with any ideas you may have to improve park features or services.

Answered: 26 Skipped: 84

2016 Survey Results

Ranking		Priority #1	Priority #2	Priority #3	Totals
1	maintenance	7	12	16	35
2	playground	13	5	6	24
3	activities	7	10	5	22
4	walking trail	9	7	3	19
5	baseball	6	5	3	14
6	parking lot	4	0	5	9
7	safety	4	1	1	6
8	hockey	1	1	2	4
9	dog friendly	0	1	3	4
10	soccer	1	2	0	3
11	water feature	1	1	1	3
12	landscape	0	3	0	3

If you checked Sports Courts/Fields - What type of sports?

Ranking		Totals
1	Baseball	52
2	Soccer	26
3	Basketball	22
4	Tennis	17
5	Other	13
6	Volleyball	8
7	Disk Golf	7
8	Horseshoes	6
9	Winter Sports	6
10	Tetherball	2
11	Pickleball	0

Why do you visit this park?

Ranking		Totals
1	Sports	55
2	Bring children	46
3	Watching Activities	43
4	Playground Activities	35
5	Event	27
6	Walking	17
7	Exercise or Jog	15
8	Relax	11
9	Volunteer	11
10	Biking	9
11	Time with family/friends	9
12	Other	9
13	Walk the dog	7

Appendix E

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Park and Recreation Advisory Committee Guidelines

The Park and Recreation Advisory Committee will be formed using the following guidelines:

The Raisin Charter Township Board of Trustees, by motion, created the Raisin Charter Township Park and Recreation Advisory Committee on October 24, 2016. The Park and Recreation Advisory Committee will hereafter be referred to simply as "the Park Committee"

Within the motion creating the Park Committee, it is stated that the Park Committee shall be advisory in nature, having only the power to make recommendations to the Township Board, and to advise the Township Board on the subject of the Township's parks and recreational facilities.

The Committee shall not be a "Parks Commission" pursuant to 1905 P.A. 157, MCL 41.121 *et seq.*"

The Park Committee shall consist of not more than seven (7) people, appointed by the Township Board to serve a three (3) year term, except that for the first seven (7) appointments to the Park Committee, three (3) members shall serve terms of three (3) years, two (2) members shall serve terms of two (2) years, and two (2) members shall serve terms of one (1) year. Appointments shall not exceed a maximum of two (2) non-residents.

All regular appointments subsequent to the expiration of the initial shortened terms shall be made for terms of three (3) years.

Terms shall expire on November 1st of the year in which they are scheduled to end, and individual Park Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the Township Board.

The Park Committee membership shall consist of one (1) member of the Township Board as a full voting member, and six (6) citizens at large as full voting members.

The term of the Township Board member on the Park Committee shall be limited by the expiration of his or her term on the Township Board, and in the event that said Park Committee member loses or resigns his or her seat on the Township Board, the Township Board shall appoint another member of the Township Board to finish the unexpired Park Committee member's term.

The Park Committee shall name individual members who will be responsible for gathering information and overseeing activities of the Park Committee relating to the following subjects:

- Maintenance
- Fundraising
- Events
- Historic & Environmental Preservation
- Tourism
- Budget
- Property Development

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The Park Committee shall make recommendations to and advise the Township Board on such subjects relating to parks and recreation as the Township Board shall from time to time direct, and the Park Committee shall make its own recommendations relating to parks and recreation to the Township Board as it shall deem proper.

The Park Committee shall hold regular monthly meetings which shall be open to the public, and may hold special meetings as necessary, which shall be open to the public. The secretary shall issue such notices as may be required by the Park Committee.

The Park Committee will comply with OMA and FOIA guidelines for all meetings.

The Park Committee officers, Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary, are nominated by the Park Committee at the first regular meeting in November. All officers will serve for a one (1) year period.

Park Committee members will be compensated at the established pay rate per person per meeting as established by the Township Board.

Regular attendance to monthly meetings is required for all members. An unexcused absence is defined as: any absence not due to illness, hardship, or pre-meeting notification to the Park Committee chairperson. Attendance will be recorded in the meeting minutes. Four (4) unexcused absences in a twelve (12) month period may result in the Township Board dismissing that member from the Park Committee.

The Park Committee Chair shall prepare for the Township Board a monthly report, due at the first monthly Township Board meeting. The Township Board Representative will present the monthly report at the Board Meeting.

The Chair shall facilitate the meeting using Robert's Rules of Order. The Chair will be responsible for preparing the agenda for the meetings.

The secretary shall take the minutes of all meetings and file them with the Township Clerk before the next meeting.

The Township Board will review the Park Committee recommendations, but final decisions are made by the Township Board. All programs, plans, and projects need Township Board's approval before they are started.

The Park Committee has approval to make purchases, within their budget, without needing Township Board approval. Any expense(s) shall not exceed \$500 in a one (1) month period without prior Township Board approval.