

Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update

**Historic Preservation Commission
September 9, 2020**



Tempe
Making waves in the desert



- Planning process updates
 - Park classifications
 - Levels of service analysis
 - Plan format
- Next steps/timeline
- Questions





- System of defining & organizing
- Aided by comparison jurisdiction definitions
- Determined by facilities/amenities, service area & size
- Guides facility/amenity type & scale
- Impact maintenance standards, programming & service areas





2001 Plan

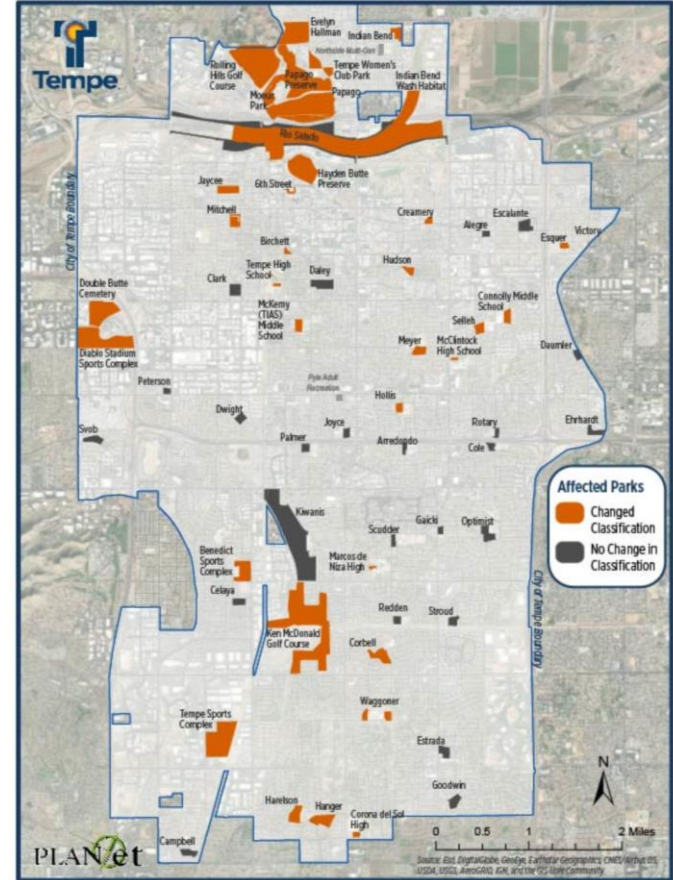
Regional Parks
Community Parks
Neighborhood Parks

2020 Plan

Regional Parks
Community Parks
Neighborhood Parks

Mini-Parks
Other

Urban Parks
Natural Areas
Shared-Use Recreation
Facilities (SURF)
Special-Use Areas



- Amenity analysis by ratio of population
- Evaluates capacity to meet future needs
- Identifies gaps in service
- Recommends quantity of facilities
- Guides new infrastructure investments & potential expenses
- Helps support & determine programming priorities





TYPE OF FACILITY	TOTAL CURRENT	RECOMMENDED LOS (PER 10,000)	2020		2030	
			TOTAL NEEDED	ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED	TOTAL NEEDED	ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED
			POPULATION	190,000	217,000	
BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FIELDS	37	1.70	32	0	37	0
DOG PARKS	6	0.32	6	0	7	1
VOLLEYBALL	33	1.74	33	0	38	5
PICKLEBALL	12	0.63	12	0	14	2
SKATE PARKS	4	0.21	4	0	5	1
SOCCER FIELDS	37	1.00	19	0	22	0
TENNIS COURTS	51	1.45	28	0	31	0
PLAYGROUNDS	43	2.26	43	0	49	6
PICNIC RAMADAS	81	4.26	81	0	93	12
SPLASH AND SPRAY PADS	4	0.21	4	0	5	1
COMMUNITY CENTERS	5	0.26	5	0	6	1



- Online, interactive & explore-able guide
- Tells our story through maps, text & media
- Engages & enhances the user experience
- Visually attractive & user friendly format
- Print option

About the Parks and Recreation Master Plan

May 5, 2020

About This Plan

Parks and recreation facilities and programs contribute to Tempe's quality of life, economy, environment, and the health of its residents. This Plan offers goals and action strategies which support the City's strategic priorities and guide the provision of City parks and recreation facilities that accommodate the desires of current residents and provide adequate capacity for future population growth.

How to Use this Online Document

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Benefits of Parks & Recreation Programs & Facilities

Social Benefits

People use parks and recreation programs and facilities to connect to one another - through play, organized events, shared experiences, and informal interactions. Parks and recreation programs can also enhance inclusion in community activities of under-represented groups, such as low income, minority, and people with disabilities.

Economic Benefits

Parks contribute to our economy. [Tempe's Tourism Office](#) found that in 2016, 16% of the City's tourism supported jobs were in recreation, and visitors spent \$103 million on recreation.

Environmental Benefits

Parks are the City's Green Infrastructure. A 2017 U.S. [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\)](#) report states that green infrastructure partnerships between park and other agencies

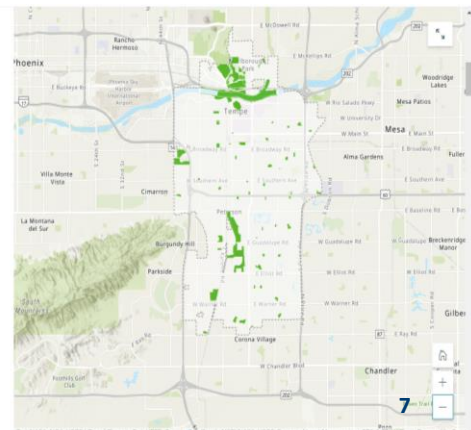
Our Parks and Recreation System



Park & Recreation Facilities

City of Tempe Recreation Sites

The City of Tempe owns and manages 75 recreation sites totaling over 1,500 acres. These 79 sites include 59 parks (including 13 recreation sites at around Tempe Town Lake), two golf courses, six recreation centers, three sports complexes, four specialty parks, and an historic cemetery. The city also partners with schools to provide six additional recreation sites.





Summer 2019

Jan 2020

Summer 2020*

Fall 2020*

Online Survey



Community Trends Analysis



Benchmarking/LOS



Programs Assessment



Park Classifications Update



Develop Draft & Final Master Plan



Costs, Funding & Financing



Priorities



Implementation



*WSS, Boards/Commissions & Public Comment:

 Summer 2020

 Fall 2020



**Questions
or
Comments?**