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# INTRODUCTION

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose behind any planning document is to provide a framework in which to complete important tasks. Having a plan allows decision makers to more easily determine where they are, where they want to go, how they will get there, and how they will know when they've arrived. A specific emphasis of this update is to provide more statistically valid data based on the City's population and demographics to inform facility and programming improvements. In addition, more robust data within the Park Agency Profile and Community Profile chapters demonstrates the need for additional funding, staff, and resources to meet the community's needs and operate to adequate levels as compared to similar communities.

The parks master plan was finalized and adopted by the Logansport Park Board on April 10, 2024.

#### **GOVERNMENT**

Mayor - Chris Martin

Deputy Mayor - Jacob Pomasl

Clerk-Treasurer - Tyler Pearson

### **Logansport City Council**

Cameron Austin - Ward 1

B.J. Cox - Ward 2

Chris Howard - Ward 3

Hayley Zinsmaster - Ward 4

Scott Peattie - Ward 5

Suzy Wamsley - At Large

David Morris - At Large, & President

#### **Logansport Parks & Recreation Board**

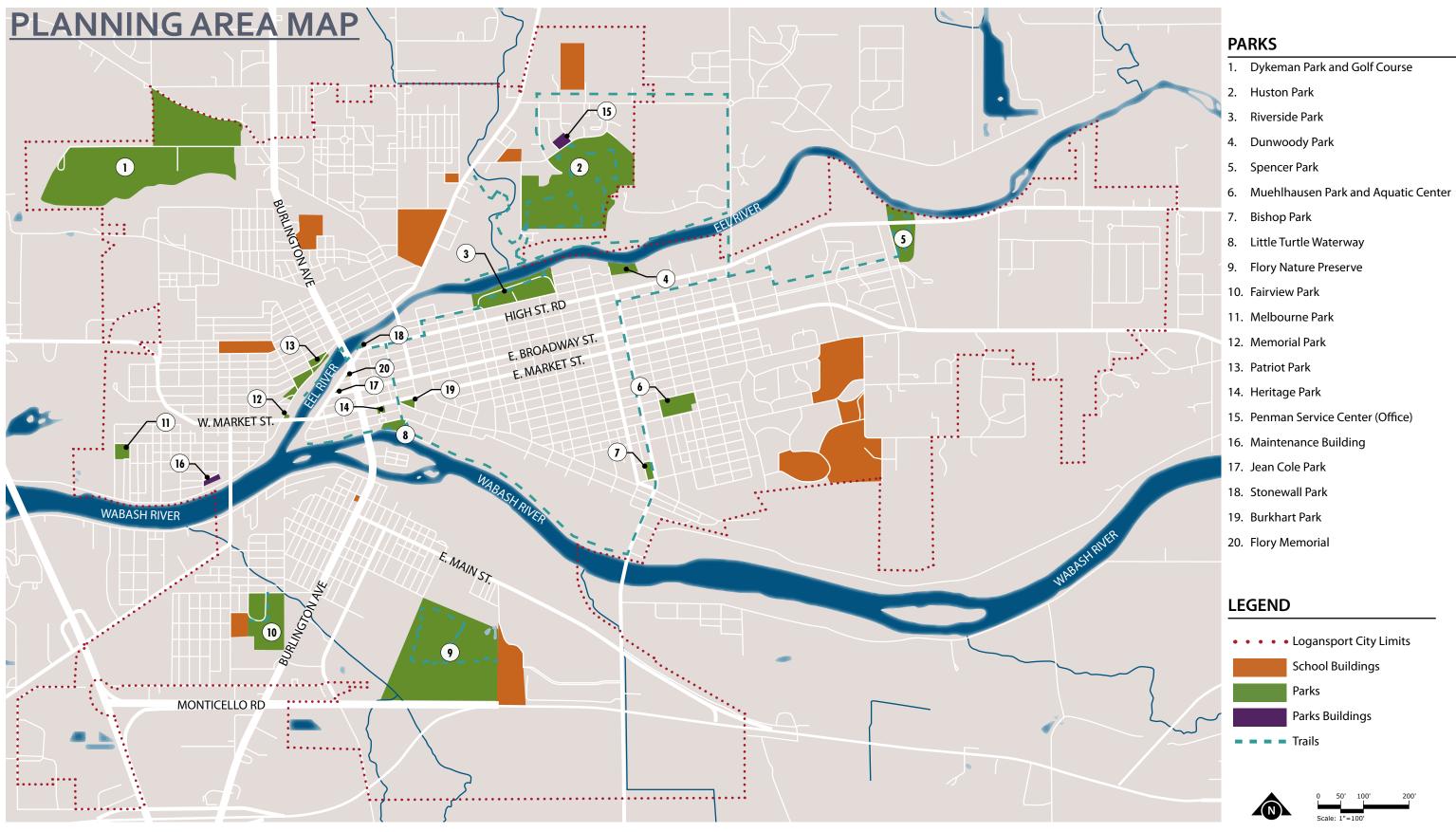
Dave Smith, President
Jason Crittendon, Vice President
Ammon Tuitavuki, Secretary
Mike McCord, School Board Representative
Sam Tocco, Member

#### **Master Plan Consultants**

Context Design
Zec Eight Insights

#### <u>Logansport Planning / Zoning Department</u>

Arin Shaver - Planning Executive Director

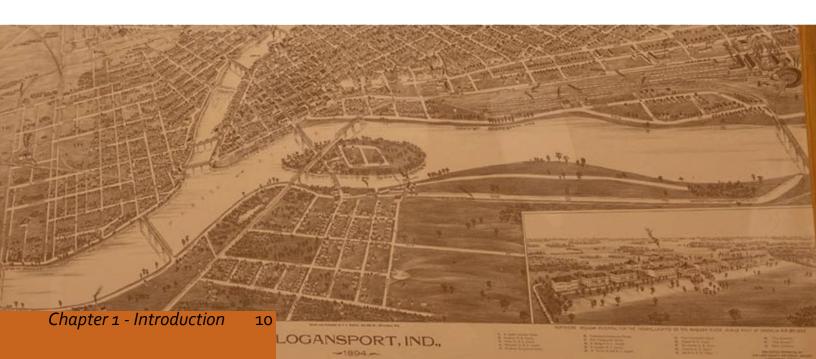


The Logansport Parks System is contained within the Corporate Limits of the City of Logansport. All public input including Surverys are based on the Corporate Limits. **PLANNING AREA** Consideration of regional influences above been considered but not included in the data. The Parks Department recognizes that many non-residents also utilize the amenities provided. This factor has been reflected within the goals.

## **MASTER PLAN GOALS**

The time taken to listen to the community via working sessions, public participation, and other means of collaboration has resulted in The Logansport Parks Department staff and the Parks Board agreeing on the following goals for the 5-Year Parks and Recreation Plan:

- Continual assessment, improvement, and evaluation of service with an emphasis on better connecting programming with facilities and consistent public outreach.
- Improve general maintenance and maintenance planning for all properties.
- Provide new or renovated amenities and/or facilities as documented through the completed surveys
- Enhance and Improve the Community's most cherished and storied facilities as documented through the completed surveys Parks Staff and Board to prioritize the 1-3 year, 3-5 year, and 5+ year goals at the 2024 Annual Retreat
- Promote and educate the public about Parks programs, staff activity, and successes in addressing issues
- Enhance Programming Opportunities and Activities for All Age Ranges
- Explore strategies for the best and highest use of each property, and potentially repurpose underutilized or redundant properties for public/ private redevelopment and/ or private development



# **VISION**

"Your First Choice in Outdoor Recreation"

Leading with progressive stewardship and community engagement, creating safe, inviting, and well-equipped spaces where people of all ages and abilities thrive.

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

"Fostering Community Well-being"

Logansport Parks & Recreation is committed to building a vibrant and healthy community for future generations through accessible recreational facilities and programs that promote physical health, social engagement, conservation, and cultural appreciation.

## **VALUES**

**Collaboration:** We believe in the power of teamwork and cooperation, working together toward a common goal to achieve greater impact and success.

**Integrity:** We uphold the highest standards of honesty, ethics, and accountability in all our actions, earning the trust and respect of the community we serve.

**Inclusiveness:** We are committed to creating an environment where all individuals feel welcome, valued, and represented, fostering diversity and belonging.

**Stewardship:** We responsibly manage and allocate resources, including taxpayer money, ensuring efficient and effective use for the benefit of present and future generations.

**Safety:** We prioritize the well-being and security of our community, maintaining safe equipment and spaces that promote health, enjoyment, and peace of mind.

**Innovation:** We embrace new ideas and forward-thinking approaches, continuously seeking and implementing innovative solutions to enhance the quality and relevance of our services.

**Communication:** We foster open, transparent, and proactive communication, engaging with stakeholders to understand needs, share information, and build trust.

**Education:** We are dedicated to fostering a culture of continuous learning and growth, empowering individuals with knowledge, skills, and opportunities to reach their full potential and contribute meaningfully to our community.