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4 RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLEMENTATION

INTRODUCTION

This Chapter details the recommendations for the La Grange Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan. These recommendations are based on the assessment of current facilities, extensive community engagement and a needs analysis. They represent a combination of strategies for improving existing parks and recreation infrastructure while introducing new facilities where demand or gaps have been identified.

The recommendations are organized into two parts:

- Goals and Action Items – broad system-wide priorities with detailed strategies.
- Implementation Plan – a hybrid approach that includes both goal-based priorities and park-specific improvements.

Together, they provide the City of La Grange with a road map to guide investments, programming, and partnerships over the next 10 years.

This Chapter provides a framework for enhancing La Grange’s parks and recreation system. Each goal and action item outlines a specific area of improvement, while the implementation table identifies timelines, priorities, and potential costs. City staff, partners and elected officials can use this Chapter as a guide to schedule projects, pursue grants and track progress toward long-term park system goals.

GOALS FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION SYSTEM

The following goals provide overall direction for La Grange’s parks and recreation system. They were shaped by extensive community engagement, including surveys, public events and stakeholder discussions.

1

Expand and connect trails to improve walkability and access.

2

Activate the riverfront as a signature destination for nature, recreation and events.

3

Modernize playgrounds and add shade to create inclusive, family-friendly spaces.

4

Offer more community events and programs that reflect La Grange’s character.

5

Enhance aquatics and water-based recreation to meet strong community demand.

6

Strengthen everyday parks and amenities with upgrades, maintenance and safety improvements.

HIGH PRIORITY NEEDS

This Plan outlines La Grange’s key priorities for enhancing parks, trails, recreation facilities and programs. It meets Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) requirements for a Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan and improves the City’s eligibility for state and federal grants.

These priorities reflect community input, survey results, stakeholder feedback and analysis of existing park conditions. The table below highlights the most critical needs to guide future investments and implementation.

New facilities needed based on community input	New facilities needed based on level of service	Upgraded facilities needed based on existing condition
▪ Aquatics facility (pool / splash pad option) ▪ Trails and trail connections (safe crossings, ADA access) ▪ Dog park and skate park for youth and families ▪ Water play areas ▪ Riverfront access for kayaking and fishing ▪ Inclusive and nature-based playgrounds ▪ Event spaces and amphitheater upgrades ▪ Shaded pavilions and picnic areas	▪ Pocket parks in underserved neighborhoods ▪ Expanded trail mileage linking parks and schools ▪ Community pavilions and picnic facilities ▪ Restrooms and support facilities in older parks ▪ Sports courts (basketball, pickleball, volleyball) ▪ Indoor multi-use recreation space ▪ Shade structures and drinking fountains ▪ Public rest areas and trailheads	▪ Restrooms and maintenance improvements ▪ Lighting and safety improvements at parks and trailheads ▪ Playground equipment replacement and shade structures ▪ Drainage and field conditions at Northside & Kruschel ▪ ADA accessibility and surfacing upgrades ▪ Beautification and landscape enhancement ▪ Updated signage and wayfinding

Top Cumulative facility needs in La Grange



Expanded trail and river front connections



Aquatics facility/splash pad system



Inclusive and modern playgrounds with shade



Shaded pavilions and picnic shelters



Dog park and skate park



Sports courts and multi-use fields



Community event space and amphitheater



Upgraded restrooms and lighting



Beautification and landscaping



River access and fishing piers

GOAL #1: EXPAND AND CONNECT TRAILS

Improve walkability and connectivity throughout La Grange by creating a safe, cohesive trail network that connects neighborhoods, schools, parks, the downtown and the Colorado River. The expanded system will support recreation, active transportation and access to nature while incorporating safety improvements, accessible design and consistent wayfinding.

Action 1.1 – Enhance Citywide Trail Network

- Advance the trails plan by developing a cohesive trails system route, focusing on priority connections and identifying gaps to complete missing segments.
- Develop a phased implementation strategy and cost estimates to support future grants and guide capital improvements.
- Incorporate Safe Routes to School planning and coordinate with local schools to improve student access and explore opportunities for future trail connections.
- Determine specific segments of the trails system route suitable for shared-use paths, sidepaths or nature-based trails.
- Balance habitat restoration with recreation access by identifying opportunities for boardwalks or other low-impact surfaces in sensitive areas.
- Establish a bike share program with stations at major parks, downtown and river access points to promote active transportation and support future trail connections.

Action 1.2 – Improve Pedestrian Safety with Crosswalks, ADA Ramps and Lighting

- Identify and improve key roadway crossings to enhance safety and accessibility for all trail users, incorporating ADA-compliant design.
- Install pedestrian lighting at trailheads, roadway crossings and high-use trail segments to improve visibility during early morning and evening use.
- Add ADA-compliant curb ramps and crossings near schools, parks and high-use locations.

- Enhance sightlines around crossings and trail access points by trimming vegetation and removing obstructions.

Action 1.3 – Partner with Local and Regional Agencies

- Coordinate regional trail extensions in partnership with Fayette County and TxDOT.
- Connect schools to adjacent neighborhoods and parks by collaborating with local school districts and community partners.
- Pursue grant funding through programs such as Safe Routes to School, Transportation Alternatives and applicable state or federal agencies.
- Establish maintenance agreements with partner jurisdictions for shared trail segments that cross jurisdictional boundaries.

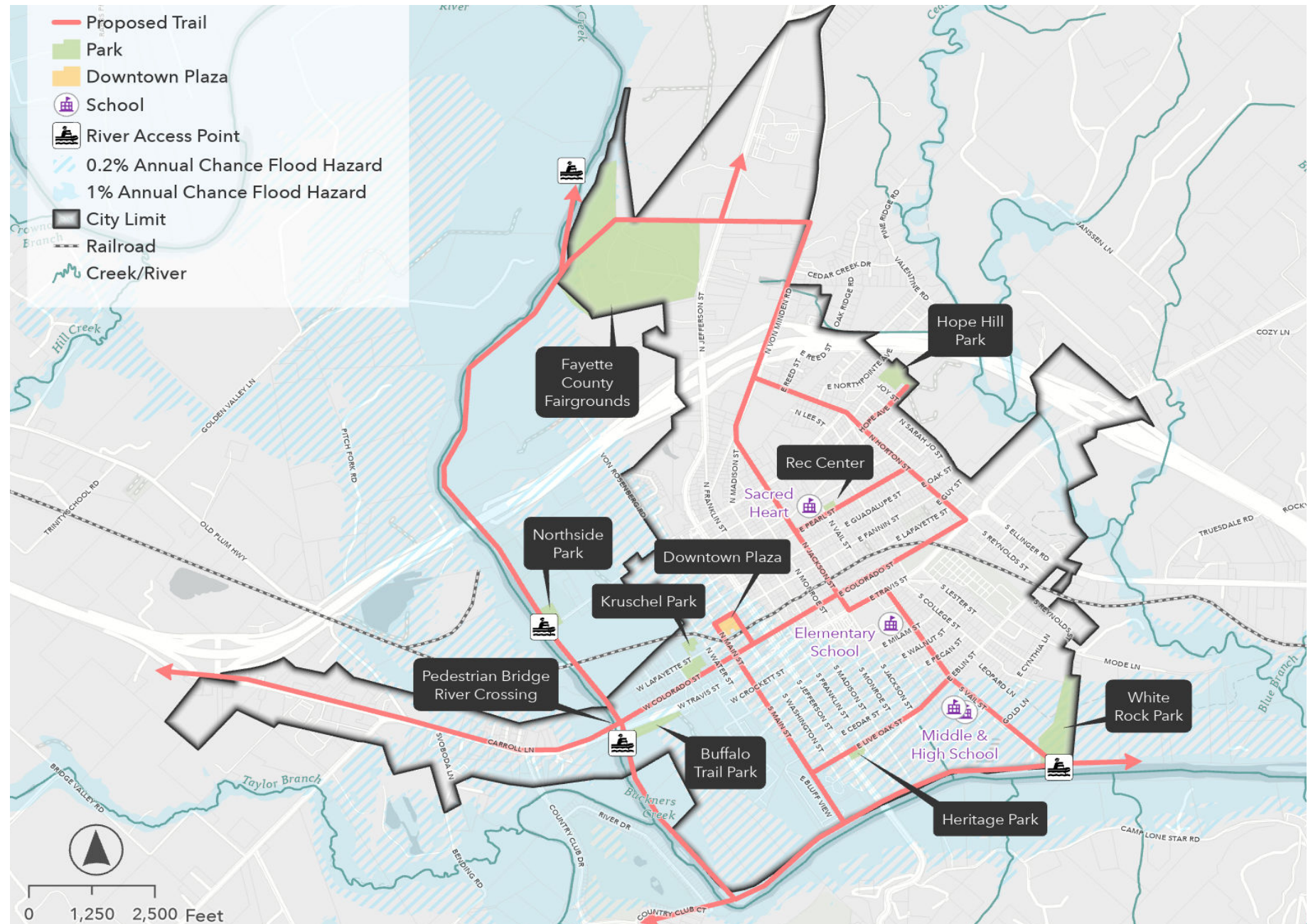
Action 1.4 – Add Wayfinding Signage and Distance Markers

- Develop a branded wayfinding system for trails and parks using consistent materials, colors and design elements to create a unified identity across all trail and park facilities.
- Install interpretive signage that highlights local waterways, river ecology, cultural heritage and native wildlife.
- Provide mile and distance markers to support fitness tracking, community runs and recreational use.



Example of a shared use path

Map 14. Proposed Trail Network Map



GOAL #2: ACTIVATE THE RIVERFRONT

Transform the Colorado Riverfront into an inviting destination for recreation, events and relaxation. Riverfront enhancements will expand access and improve amenities while balancing environmental stewardship with public use and economic vitality. A connected and resilient riverfront will support year-round activation through safe access points, a variety of recreational experiences and community programming, creating a signature community asset for La Grange.

Action 2.1 – Coordinate Riverfront Vision and Improvements

- Create a unifying vision for the riverfront that connects Northside Park, the Fayette County Fairgrounds, and adjacent riverfront areas to support year-round recreation.
- Identify flood-resilient locations for trails, picnic areas, overlooks and small pavilions to support year-round riverfront activation.
- Advance short-term activation projects such as seating, lighting and signage near existing riverfront access points.
- Establish partnerships with regional and state agencies and local conservation groups to coordinate planning and funding efforts.
- Promote river recreation opportunities, including tubing routes between key river access points within the park system.

Action 2.2 – Add Safe Access Points for Non-Motorized Water Recreation

- Construct ADA-compliant boat launches and fishing platforms at key riverfront locations.
- Provide shaded staging areas with clear signage, waste stations and other user amenities.
- Include restrooms, parking and lighting at high-use access points to enhance comfort and safety.
- Coordinate maintenance and water-safety programming with the regional agencies and local partners

Action 2.3 – Provide Riverfront Access and Amenities for All Ages

- Add shaded picnic areas and family restrooms near the river trail to support multi-generational use.
- Provide accessible seating and stroller-friendly paths to ensure comfort and usability for all ages.
- Ensure clear wayfinding between parking areas, trails and the riverfront to improve access and navigation.
- Install drinking fountains and water bottle fillers at key riverfront locations to support comfort, hydration and extended use.

Action 2.4 – Strengthen Stewardship and Conservation

- Introduce native plantings along the riverfront trail system to control erosion, enhance habitat and frame scenic views.
- Incorporate bioswales and rain gardens to manage stormwater and improve the quality of runoff entering the river.
- Coordinate volunteer cleanup efforts and tree-planting days with local schools, organizations and civic groups.

Action 2.5 – Host Riverfront Community and Educational Events

- Explore opportunities for community events along the river that celebrate recreation and environmental education.
- Engage local schools in outdoor classroom programs and hands-on learning along the river
- Encourage businesses and nonprofits to sponsor cleanup or restoration activities as part of ongoing stewardship efforts.

GOAL #3: MODERNIZE PARKS FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

Upgrade parks across the system with inclusive, shaded and age-appropriate features. These enhancements will improve accessibility, safety and year-round usability by providing inclusive playgrounds, interactive play elements, family-friendly amenities, modernized support facilities and accessible routes throughout the park system.

Action 3.1 – Replace Outdated Equipment with Inclusive Playgrounds

- Install universally accessible play equipment that meets current safety and accessibility standards.
- Use safe surfacing materials and appropriate fencing to enhance visibility, accessibility and security.
- Design and construct a flagship inclusive playground to serve children of all abilities across the community.

Action 3.2 – Integrate Sensory and Nature-Based Play

- Include musical panels, tactile elements and water or sand play areas to support diverse sensory engagement.
- Use natural materials, such as logs, boulders or plantings, to create interactive nature-based play features.
- Create shaded reading or quiet zones to provide sensory relief and calm spaces for children who benefit from quieter environments.

Action 3.3 – Add Shade, Seating and Picnic Areas

- Plant native shade trees and install tensile canopies near playgrounds and other high-use areas.
- Provide shaded seating for caregivers, grandparents and park visitors.
- Include picnic shelters with lighting and electrical connections to support community gatherings and events.

Action 3.4 – Upgrade Restrooms and Support Facilities

- Replace or renovate restrooms at White Rock, Buffalo Trail, Kruschel and Northside Parks.
- Add family restrooms and changing stations to accommodate users of all ages.
- Improve lighting, signage and wayfinding to enhance early morning or evening safety and visibility.

Action 3.5 – Improve Accessibility Across the System

- Retrofit sidewalks, parking areas and seating to meet ADA standards.
- Provide accessible paths connecting playgrounds, pavilions, restrooms and other key park amenities.
- Add inclusive signage and universal wayfinding symbols across all parks.



Example of a inclusive playground

GOAL #4: OFFER MORE COMMUNITY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Expand programming and events that activate parks and bring people together. New activities, partnerships and seasonal events, including youth-centered programs and gathering spaces, will strengthen the role of parks as year-round community gathering spaces, support extended recreation opportunities for all ages and build a foundation for future signature events and improved communication.

Action 4.1 – Expand Park Community Programming

- Host seasonal outdoor movies, concerts and local markets in multiple parks on a rotating schedule to activate underutilized parks and open spaces.
- Organize movie nights, open-mic events and seasonal gatherings designed to engage youth and families, with offerings that appeal to young adults as well as younger audiences.
- Collaborate with schools, local artists and community organizations to co-create seasonal programs that engage residents of all ages.
- Develop a seasonal events calendar that highlights activities across all parks, supporting consistent community participation year-round.

Action 4.2 – Partner with Schools, Churches and Nonprofits

- Collaborate with local schools to provide after-school youth recreation programs and develop youth-friendly passive recreation spaces as welcoming hangout areas.
- Partner with faith-based and civic organizations to offer volunteer-led programs and community service days.
- Expand senior fitness classes and intergenerational activities that promote social connection, wellness and recreation.

Action 4.3 – Develop a Signature Annual Event

- Create a festival that celebrates the community's unique heritage, music and riverfront, using parks as key venues for activities and gatherings.
- Explore partnerships with cultural organizations to enhance existing events or grow new traditions into regional attractions hosted within the park system.
- Coordinate with economic development, tourism and downtown organizations to integrate park-based events into broader community programming and local tourism initiatives.

Action 4.4 – Improve Event Marketing and Communication

- Create a bilingual (English/Spanish) event calendar on the City website to centralize and streamline information.
- Promote community events through schools, social media and local businesses to broaden awareness and participation.
- Highlight volunteer opportunities and sponsorship tiers to build community involvement and support future programming.

Action 4.5 – Establish Youth-Centered Programming, Events and Spaces

- Create indoor and outdoor teen spaces that support small-group activities, casual hangouts and creative programs at Randolph Recreation Center Park.
- Add a youth activity area with seating, shade and flexible spaces to provide a safe and engaging place for recreation and social gatherings at White Rock Park.
- Develop youth-focused parks programming and events such as art sessions, game nights or nature skill-building workshops.
- Collaborate with schools, youth organizations and community partners to co-develop programming that reflects teen interests.

GOAL #5: ENHANCE AQUATICS AND WATER-BASED RECREATION

Develop modern water-based recreation opportunities, including a municipal pool or splash pad and expanded aquatic programming. These investments will promote health, wellness and community connection while creating new amenities, training opportunities and family-friendly destinations across the park system.

Action 5.1 – Develop a Municipal Pool

- Plan a centrally located facility that is accessible to schools and surrounding neighborhoods.
- Explore incorporating slides, lazy-river elements, toddler zones and interactive water play features.
- Provide shade structures, pavilions, seating and adjacent parking to increase comfort and encourage social gatherings.
- Partner with local school districts and neighboring communities to share operating costs and maximize facility use.
- Pursue applicable state and federal recreation grants to support design and construction.
- Explore naming rights and private sponsorships to help offset capital and operating expenses.

Action 5.2 – Expand Aquatic Programs and Workforce Development

- Develop aquatic programs such as adaptive swim lessons and low-impact fitness classes to support community health and inclusive participation.
- Provide seasonal youth employment and hands-on training opportunities in pool operations, customer service and recreation management.

Action 5.3 – Construct a Splash Pad

- Identify an easily accessible and centrally located site for a new splash pad.
- Provide shade structures, pavilions, seating and adjacent parking to increase comfort and encourage social gatherings.
- Construct the splash pad with durable, slip-resistant surfacing to enhance safety for all users.
- Incorporate water-efficient systems, such as recirculating or treatment systems, to reduce operating costs and support long-term sustainability.
- Consider placing the splash pad near playground and picnic areas to create a cohesive family activity zone.



Example of a splash pad

GOAL #6: STRENGTHEN EVERYDAY PARKS AND AMENITIES

Focus on upgrades that improve safety, comfort, functionality and long-term maintenance across the park system. Enhanced lighting, restrooms, landscaping, seating, drainage improvements and new community amenities, such as a downtown plaza, dog park and skate park, will support daily park use, strengthen system design and promote long-term sustainability.

Action 6.1 – Develop a Downtown Plaza

- Complete a concept plan, including site design and cost estimates, for the downtown plaza property.
- Explore opportunities to incorporate outdoor event space, a fountain, playground, pavilion and carousel into the concept design.
- Pursue grant funding or public-private partnerships to support construction and activation programming.

Action 6.2 – Address Flooding and Drainage Issues

- Pursue drainage improvements at Kruschel Park, Northside Park and low-lying fields near the Fayette County Fairgrounds.
- Use bioswales, native plantings and permeable pavement to reduce runoff and improve water quality.
- Coordinate with the City Engineer on long-term stormwater management strategies for affected parks.

Action 6.3 – Establish a Dog Park

- Identify underutilized existing parkland suitable for development as a dog park.
- Include fencing, water fountains, seating and shaded viewing areas to ensure comfort and safety for pets and owners.

Action 6.4 – Expand Staffing and Maintenance Resources

- Increase seasonal crews during high-use months to support daily park operations.
- Establish “Friends of the Parks” volunteer program to assist with cleanup, planting and stewardship days.
- Invest in staff training and updated equipment to improve maintenance efficiency and safety.
- Develop and adopt a Parkland Dedication Ordinance to ensure new development contributes land or fees for future park expansion and improvements.

Action 6.5 – Address Gaps and Strengthen System Design

- Address the anticipated park service gap in north La Grange by developing community park amenities at the Fayette County Fairgrounds.
- Develop a system-wide Lighting, Safety and Beautification Plan to guide improvements across all parks.
- Create comprehensive Park Design Guidelines to ensure consistency, quality and a unified identity throughout the park system.

Action 6.6 – Construct a Skate Park

- Identify underutilized existing parkland suitable for development as a skate park.
- Design skate features appropriate for multiple skill levels and ages.
- Incorporate lighting, seating and shade to support comfort and year-round use.

Implementation Action Plan

One of the most important elements of a parks and recreation master plan is having actionable recommendations that clearly outline the initial steps for implementing the plan. The following implementation table presents individual actions that will help achieve the community's vision established through this planning process. The table is organized by specific parks that were assessed as part of this project. For each action, an associated time frame for implementation and potential cost ranges are identified to assist with budgeting and completion of improvements.

1 ACTION ITEMS

The action items include recommended strategies paired with corresponding action keys. They are developed based on assessments and community input across various topics outlined in this Plan. These action items represent practical strategies that the City can implement to achieve the vision set forth in this Plan.

2 INITIATION TIME FRAME

This Plan provides a phased approach to implementation to help the City identify achievable actions in the near future and distinguish them from long-term actions that might need extensive studies and preparation. The recommended actions are categorized into the following time frames.

Ongoing

Recommendations that are continuously being implemented or should be revisited regularly throughout the life of the recommendation or implementation of the Plan.

Short-Term (1-3 years)

Actions that are typically “low-hanging fruit” or easier to achieve because they do not require a large amount of capital.

Mid-Term (4-6 years)

Actions that may require more planning and capital than the short-term 3-year horizon.

Long-Term (7+ years)

Actions that generally need a large amount of capital, require significant planning and coordination for completion, or other steps must take place before implementation. In some cases, there may be opportunities to make some initial progress in the short- or mid-term.

3 POTENTIAL COST RANGE

Each action item is assigned a rough cost estimate using dollar signs to indicate scale. This helps the City prioritize actions based on available funding and anticipated expenses.

\$ – Minimal cost: typically covers maintenance, signage, or small-scale repairs.

\$\$ – Moderate cost: may include minor infrastructure, equipment, or landscaping improvements.

\$\$\$ – Significant cost: involves substantial upgrades such as new amenities, facilities, or trail extensions.

\$\$\$\$ – Highest cost: complex, large-scale projects such as major park renovations, new construction, or multi-phase developments.

SYSTEMWIDE IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES

The following table highlights La Grange’s highest priority systemwide projects. These initiatives focus on improving safety, accessibility and connectivity across the park system while laying the groundwork for major community investments, including enhancements to the riverfront and other recreation facilities. Priorities were identified through community input, stakeholder feedback and an analysis of existing park conditions.

Prioritized Action Plan			
#	Action Item	Initiation Time Frame	Potential Cost Range
1	Develop a Downtown Plaza for community events and daily public use.	Short-Term	\$\$\$
2	Consolidate softball and baseball fields at the Fayette County Fairgrounds to create a 4-6 field youth competition complex.	Short-Term	\$\$\$\$
3	Install priority trail connections linking White Rock Park, Buffalo Trail Park, Northside Park, Hope Hill Park, the Downtown Plaza and the Fayette County Fairgrounds, as shown on the proposed trail map.	Short-Term	\$\$\$
4	Develop a new municipal pool facility with complementary recreational amenities.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$\$
5	Build an accessible splash pad with shade, safe surfacing and an efficient water system.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
6	Develop riverfront access points for tubing, kayaking and fishing to expand recreation opportunities.	Mid-Term	\$\$
7	Modernize playgrounds and enhance accessibility by adding shade structures, ADA-compliant features and inclusive play equipment.	Short-Term	\$\$
8	Add lighting and restroom upgrades across major parks, focusing on White Rock, Buffalo Trail, Kruschel and Northside Parks.	Short-Term	\$\$
9	Construct a dog park with fencing, seating, shaded areas and water fountains.	Mid-Term	\$\$
10	Develop a skate park with features for multiple skill levels, seating and shade.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
11	Launch a “Friends of the Parks” volunteer program and stewardship initiatives to support events, cleanups and ongoing maintenance.	Short-Term	\$
12	Coordinate with local organizations to advance riverfront restoration, stormwater management and strengthen community stewardship.	Ongoing	\$
13	Advance drainage and flood-mitigation projects at Kruschel Park and Northside Park.	Long-Term	\$\$\$
14	Adopt a Parkland Dedication Ordinance to ensure that future developments contribute land or fees toward meeting community open-space needs.	Short-Term	\$
15	Update the City’s GIS inventory to track trail mileage, ADA compliance and park amenities for ongoing monitoring and grant reporting.	Ongoing	\$

PARK-SPECIFIC IMPLEMENTATION

The tables on the following pages outline recommended improvements for each park in La Grange. These actions reflect the unique role and character of each park within the system and incorporate insights from residents, survey responses and stakeholder meetings. Together, they form a clear roadmap for short-term upgrades and long-term development that will guide future investment and management decisions.

Prioritized Action Plan			
#	Action Item	Initiation Time Frame	Potential Cost Range
Buffalo Trail Park			
1	Add benches, picnic seating, lighting and enhanced parking to improve accessibility and safety.	Short-Term	\$\$
2	Construct a pedestrian bridge across the Colorado River, including a safe crossing beneath the highway, to improve access.	Long-Term	\$\$\$\$
3	Develop accessible paths and trail connections to improve accessibility to the park.	Short-Term	\$\$
4	Add restrooms to improve visitor comfort and overall park convenience.	Mid-Term	\$\$
5	Upgrade fishing and boating infrastructure to provide safe, accessible riverfront access points.	Mid-Term	\$\$
Fayette County Fairgrounds			
1	Relocate or expand existing city ballfields to create a 4–6 field youth competition complex.	Short-Term	\$\$\$\$
2	Conduct a feasibility study to evaluate this site as a potential location for a city-owned conference center and hotel, assessing market demand, partnerships and funding options.	Short-Term	\$\$
3	Partner with organizations connected to the park to create a coordinated master plan that guides future site improvements and event opportunities.	Short-Term	\$
4	Establish river access and a kayak launch with wayfinding signage and a low-maintenance design.	Mid-Term	\$\$
5	Restore Round Up Hall, including upgrades to restrooms, HVAC systems and accessibility features.	Mid-Term	\$\$
6	Collaborate with the Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center to expand the amphitheater and enhance its capacity for concerts, festivals and community events.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
7	Upgrade parking areas and lighting to enhance overall park safety and accessibility.	Mid-Term	\$\$
8	Add gateway signage and landscape improvements to enhance the park entrance.	Mid-Term	\$
9	Explore opportunities to integrate community park facilities alongside existing park uses.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
10	Develop trails within the site's undeveloped areas to expand community recreation options.	Long-Term	\$\$

Prioritized Action Plan			
#	Action Item	Initiation Time Frame	Potential Cost Range
Heritage Park			
1	Provide additional shaded lunch areas and seating to enhance visitor comfort.	Short-Term	\$
2	Construct designated park restrooms to replace reliance on the library facilities.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
3	Incorporate interactive music, art and sensory play features throughout the park.	Short-Term	\$\$
4	Enhance the library entry with landscaping and design elements that help brand the park.	Short-Term	\$
5	Improve pathway lighting and landscaping to enhance overall safety and visual appeal.	Short-Term	\$\$
6	Add interpretive signage highlighting local history and culture to enhance education opportunities.	Mid-Term	\$
Hope Hill Park			
1	Install an inclusive playground with accessible equipment, safe surfacing and supportive amenities that serve children of all abilities.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
2	Convert the former pump-track area into new pickleball courts to meet growing community demand.	Short-Term	\$\$
3	Develop a BMX or mountain bike trail behind the pond to support youth recreation.	Mid-Term	\$\$
4	Pave and upgrade the existing parking lot to improve resident accessibility.	Short-Term	\$\$
5	Enhance the pond with a decorative fountain, walking trail and viewing pier to create a more attractive community feature.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
6	Repurpose the existing building into a nature center with outdoor classroom amenities to support environmental education and community programming.	Mid-Term	\$
7	Install a mural wall to buffer adjacent properties and enhance the visual character of the park.	Mid-Term	\$
8	Create a nature walk featuring native plants and interpretive signage to promote environmental education and habitat awareness.	Mid-Term	\$

Prioritized Action Plan			
#	Action Item	Initiation Time Frame	Potential Cost Range
Kruschel Park			
1	Complete a feasibility study and concept design for a new pool or other community aquatics facility, including support amenities such as restrooms, shade structures and seating areas.	Short-Term	\$
2	Relocate existing ballfields to the Fayette County Fairgrounds to create space for new community amenities, such as a pavilion, volleyball, basketball or pickleball courts, or a skate park or dog park.	Short-Term	\$\$\$
3	Advance infrastructure improvements that address park drainage and flood-mitigation needs.	Long-Term	\$\$\$
4	Upgrade the existing restroom to align with park redevelopment.	Mid-Term	\$\$
5	Develop trail connections that link the park to Buffalo Trail Park and the Downtown Plaza.	Mid-Term	\$\$
6	Improve the north portion of the park with formalized parking, enhanced signage and safer street crossings.	Short-Term	\$\$
Northside Park			
1	Develop an enhanced water access point with a non-motorized boat launch and take-out features/ safe landing areas.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
2	Add a river-viewing deck or overlook structure to provide scenic views and safe access to the riverfront.	Long-Term	\$\$\$\$
3	Coordinate with Fayette County on roadway pavement enhancements to Hanacek Lane to improve resident accessibility to the park.	Short-Term	\$\$
4	Improve lighting, safety and signage throughout the park to enhance visibility and accessibility.	Short-Term	\$\$
5	Add shaded picnic tables and benches to encourage extended park visits.	Short-Term	\$
6	Upgrade existing restroom facilities within the park.	Mid-Term	\$\$
7	Install a small nature-play playground that uses natural materials to encourage unstructured, nature-based play.	Mid-Term	\$\$

Prioritized Action Plan			
#	Action Item	Initiation Time Frame	Potential Cost Range
Randolph Recreation Center Park			
1	Create indoor and outdoor teen spaces that support small group activities, casual hangouts and creative programs.	Short-Term	\$\$
2	Prioritize roof replacement and critical building repairs to extend the recreation center's lifespan.	Short-Term	\$\$\$
3	Enhance the park with improved splash pad surfacing, permanent seating, a small shade pavilion, security cameras and fans to increase comfort, safety and overall use.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
4	Undertake a facilities assessment to identify needs and priorities for upgrading the existing facility.	Mid-Term	\$
5	Construct an outdoor basketball court or covered recreation court to expand year-round recreation opportunities.	Mid-Term	\$\$
White Rock Park			
1	Relocate existing ballfields to the Fayette County Fairgrounds to create space for soccer and football fields, expanding access to active sports facilities.	Short-Term	\$\$\$
2	Install lighting and security features to enhance safety and encourage extended park use during the early morning and evening.	Short-Term	\$\$
3	Create a trail connection from La Grange High School to enhance Safe Routes to School access and offer a safer route for students walking or biking.	Short-Term	\$\$
4	Add a youth activity area with seating, shade and flexible spaces to provide a safe and engaging place for recreation and gatherings.	Mid-Term	\$\$
5	Upgrade the playground with inclusive equipment, shade structures and accessible pathways to enhance overall accessibility.	Short-Term	\$\$
6	Construct a pavilion with supporting amenities, including restrooms, lighting and tables.	Short-Term	\$\$
7	Improve drainage along creek edges to reduce flooding, minimize erosion and lower maintenance needs.	Mid-Term	\$\$\$
8	Add a small-scale event lawn or flexible open space for community activities and gatherings.	Mid-Term	\$\$

