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JULY 2025 SURVEY: 201 RESPONSES

The City conducted a community survey to assess challenges and priorities related to three major areas: access, facility improvements, and land acquisition for green space expansion. A survey in winter 2025 was also conducted and high level results were placed within this survey, so the data below is not encompassing that input.

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1. Access to Parks

Respondents highlighted a variety of barriers that limit park accessibility, especially for pedestrians, cyclists, and individuals with limited mobility. Safety and connectivity were primary themes.

Key Concerns:

- **Boardman Loop & Boardman Lake**: Poor east-side access, limited trail continuity, and safety issues along pedestrian paths.
- **Slabtown and Hickory Hills**: Limited public transportation, steep terrain, and insufficient signage.
- **Crosswalk Safety**: Requests for safer crossings to parks near busy roads.

Most Cited Difficult-to-Access Parks:

- Boardman Lake
- Hickory Hills
- Slabtown-area parks
- Isolated neighborhood parks with limited street access or no sidewalks

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2. Park Improvements

A strong majority of respondents (over 80%) shared specific ideas to improve infrastructure, facilities, and programming in both neighborhood and major parks.

Top Requested Features:

- **Restrooms**: More public restrooms downtown, at beaches, and in major parks
- **Water Amenities**: Splash pads, interactive fountains, and beach improvements
- **Dog Facilities**: Off-leash dog parks and dog-friendly beaches
- **Sports & Recreation**: Pickleball courts, basketball courts, shaded seating areas
- **Family & ADA Access**: Inclusive play structures, stroller-friendly trails, shaded picnic areas

Parks Most Frequently Mentioned for Improvements:

Park	Mentions	Common Suggestions
Hickory Hills	27	Trail upgrades, wayfinding signs, four-season access
Open Space	16	Additional restrooms, shade, crowd control
Hull Park	13	Boardman Lake Trail access, seating, lighting
Slabtown Parks	10	Safer crossings, better signage, dog access
Boardman Lake	7	Improved trail connections, east-side parking

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3. Land Acquisition & Green Space Equity

Nearly 3 in 4 respondents believe some areas of the city are underserved by public green space. Encouragingly, **91%** support the creation or expansion of parks in those neighborhoods.

Underserved Neighborhoods Identified:

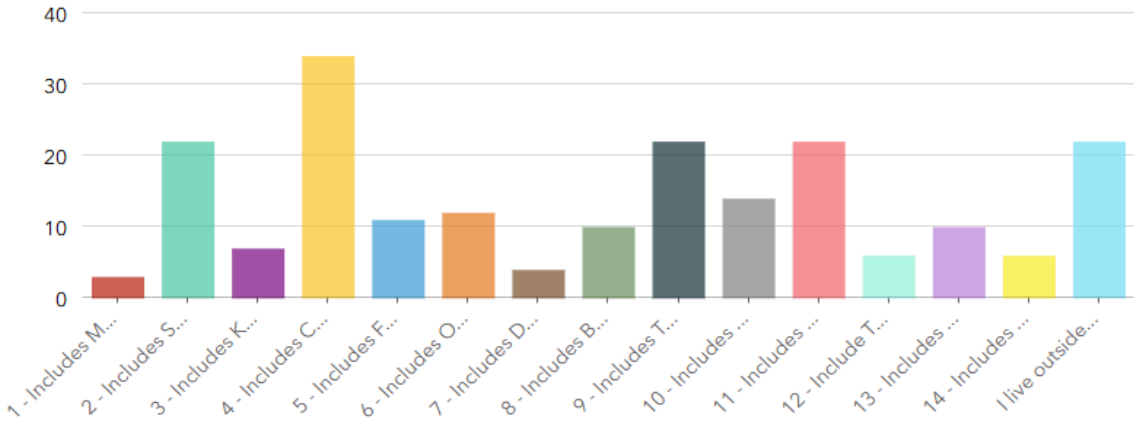
- Traverse Heights
- Central Neighborhood
- Boardman Neighborhood
- Some parts of Indian Woods and neighborhoods lacking walkable access to parks

Suggestions for Green Space Development:

- Use vacant or underutilized lots for pocket parks

- Integrate green space into school or community center grounds
- Ensure new parks have trails, trees, and flexible-use zones

Indicate where you live



Answers	Count	Percentage
1 - Includes Morgan Farms Neighborhood	3	1.49%
2 - Includes Slabtown Neighborhood	22	10.95%
3 - Includes Kids Creek Neighborhood	7	3.48%
4 - Includes Central Neighborhood	34	16.92%
5 - Includes Fernwood Neighborhood	11	5.47%
6 - Includes Old Towne Neighborhood	12	5.97%
7 - Includes Downtown and Midtown Neighborhoods	4	1.99%
8 - Includes Boardman Neighborhood	10	4.98%
9 - Includes Traverse Heights Neighborhood	22	10.95%
10 - Includes Oak Park Neighborhood	14	6.97%
11 - Includes Base of Old Mission (BOOM) Neighborhood	22	10.95%
12 - Include Triangle Neighborhood	6	2.99%
13 - Includes Indian Woods Neighborhood	10	4.98%
14 - Includes airport area	6	2.99%
I live outside the City limits	22	10.95%

What are other access-related issues in specific parks we should address?	Provide three parks that you find the most difficult to access	What features or facilities would you like to see added or upgraded in neighborhood parks, public spaces, and beaches.	What features or facilities would you like to see added or upgraded in the City's major parks?	Provide your top three park improvements	Are there parts of the City underserved by the lack of green space?	If yes, where do you see value in more green space?	Would you support creating or expanding parks in neighborhoods that currently lack them?	Is there anything else you'd like the City to consider as it finalizes the ballot project list?	Indicate where you live.
		More public restrooms downtown and beach restrooms			Yes	Heights Central neighborhood, for sure, and I'd argue Boardman Lake also. The development going in south of 16th street (along the railroad tracks) could have been better served as preserved green space. The south side has Medalie, and the north has the area near the boat launch/District Library. It'd be nice for the city to preserve as much frontage on the east and west for park usage as possible.	Yes	Safer crosswalks- highest priority	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
				A modern, outdoor basketball court (like Glen Arbor has) where feasible, more no-mow spaces with native perennial plantings, and	Yes		Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
		There are little to no public parks (not associated with elementary schools) with fences around them. It would be really nice for stay at home moms to have a park they can go to during the school day that is fenced in so you can let your toddlers play freely while wearing the baby…You cannot run fast enough while baby wearing to keep an active toddler safe in these parks with the parking lots and roads so close by.	It would be nice to have coffee or snack shops in the major parks so young families can get together.	It would be awesome to have a playground with a fence around it downtown. So you could play for awhile and then go to dinner. Right now it's just f&m it's not fenced in and it's a bit of a walk.	Yes		Yes		8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh
The Boardman Loop, especially on the eastern side of the lake, has terrible access. I live on Barlow and Baldwin and I have to stumble down an unofficial dirt path to get my dog down there to walk every night.	Boardman Lake	A dog specific beach would be nice. Especially if it were fenced in.					Yes		9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
More public bathrooms with changing tables please! More drinking fountains with bottle refill stations		Love the idea of more splash pads (fenced in is a bonus like Blair park) more fitness stations would be great	Another splash pad would be nice	Public bathrooms Splash pads Pickleball courts	Yes	Central neighborhood	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
					Yes	Hickory Hills Mtb trails	Yes		10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
Non-motorized trails between parks			Mountain bike trails at Hickory	Mountain bike trails at Hickory, non-motorized trails/connections between parks			Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
As a hiker and biker, I feel better parking lots with bathrooms and changing rooms, similar to Palmer Woods would be massively helpful to improve our parks.	The Grand Traverse Commons, Hickory Forrest and the Boardman River Trail (East and West)	Changing stations in addition to clean new bathrooms, pavilions, or shaded areas to get out of the sun, access to all of our wonderful trails with good new maps.	Connected mountain biking trails throughout the community would greatly enhance our lifestyle and ability to travel without using cars.	Add mountain biking trails to Hickory Forest, improve parking and access to the Grand Traverse Commons, improve connector trails between our beautiful parks. Single track trails and maps where you are in the city and how to navigate the city.	Yes	Green space connectors would greatly improve access to all of our amazing city parks.	Yes	Look at connector trails between city parks as a high priority and work with local public owned property owners to provide connections between the parks.	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Trail maintenance groups and awareness. Keep trails clean safe and let everyone know they are there for public accessibility	Negotiating 37(division street)near 10th and Lowe's. south airport near home depot and Boardman river. Crossing beitner near Boardman River. Crossing Garfield near mayfield. All these traffic areas are critical to move pedestrian traffic!	Single track trail improvements for biking as well as skills parks for practice	Same as above	Areas and features to practice bike handling skills Biking awareness's	Yes	We need more biking and walking trails through all green spaces with access maps of the city	Yes	Biking awareness and safe crossing	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
I would love to see non-motorized connectors between our parks and neighborhoods.			Bathrooms in all city parks would be a welcome addition.				Yes	I would really love to see the addition of Mountain bike trails in an around Hickory Hills. As I'm sure you all know, mountain biking and cycling in general have really become popular over the past decade or so. Adding well maintained trails would not only benefit the local population, but also draw folks from out of town who would otherwise have no reason to come up here. A great example is Bentonville, AR.	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Mountain bike trails at Hickory Hills Non motorized connections between parks and surrounding township recreation areas	the parks need better connecting trails. they can all be driven to but need ways to access to bike and foot that don't force users to interact with busy roads	Mountain bike trails at hickory hills Non motorized connections between parks and surrounding township recreation areas Upgrade the restrooms at Veterans Park, new fence at Darrow park on the Bay St side to help separate kids from the street.	Mountain bike trails at hickory hills Non motorized connections between parks and surrounding township recreation areas	Mountain bike trails at hickory hills Non motorized connections between parks and surrounding township recreation areas	Yes	everywhere. Cars are death. stop the cars	Yes	Mountain bike trails at hickory hills Non motorized connections between parks and surrounding township recreation areas	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
					No				9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Lack of parking- Clinch, open space, volleyball courts, Bryant Park, and Boardman river boat launch.	Clinch, open space/volleyball courts and west end beach	No more splash pads Hickory has become a money pit and I thought they were supposed to be self sustaining Yes to fitness stations and trail maintenance. In particular, fitness stations would go well along the TART trail from Hastings to 3 mile	Replace or repair the walkway along the river	New retaining wall along clinch with improved stairs or ramps to access beach Tear out half the TART trail at clinch and put the grass back in Evaluate condition of marina break wall and plan for repairs or replacement	No		No		13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig
Quit wasting our money. Our money needs to go to more important things.	Quit wasting our money. Our money needs to go to more important things.	Quit wasting our money. Our money needs to go to more important things.	Quit wasting our money. Our money needs to go to more important things.	Quit wasting our money. Our money needs to go to more important things.	No	Quit wasting our money. Our money needs to go to more important things.	No	Quit wasting our money. Our money needs to go to more important things.	12_-_Include_Triangle_Neighborh
Need a better way to cross parkway and division. Also reinstall the H.A.W.S. signal at end of Elmwood.	all are fine....	Woman's walk improvements.		Maintenance of what is already there. Leave them alone..	Yes	Kids Creek, does it have a neighborhood park?	Yes		3_-_Includes_Kids_Creek_Neighbo
just keep the grass cut...NOTHING ELSE!		quit wasting money...	NONE!	Cut the grass Quit wasting money...	No	quit filling inn green spaces with concrete...wider sidewalks, narrower roads...ridiculous..	No	quit wasting money...	6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor

Nothing added, but I agree to more bike racks!	Bryant Park on the busiest of days, becomes very hard to access with a car because of limited parking. Hickory hills, hard to get there on any bike specific paths.		There are no pavilions anywhere in Traverse City as far as I know. The closest one is in Greilickville. It seems like a Pavilion with picnic tables at F&M Park, Bryant Park, or the Civic Center would make a lot of sense so that larger groups would be able to host events in these public spaces. Because there is nothing like this in Traverse City, I think it would make these parks even better!	Adding a playground at Hull Park, adding a pavilion at Bryant Park, Civic Center and/or F&M park, Civic Center Splash Pad.	No		No		9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
More non-motorized paths getting you from park to park as well as to other current non-motorized trails (ex. Tart Trail) safer crossings and signage.	Brown Bridge	More restrooms, more drinking fountains More shade and sitting areas for parents	More mountain bike trails where possible. (Hickory Hills) More shade and sitting areas for parents	More mountain bike trails More restrooms More drinking fountains			Yes	Continue to build trails in safe places throughout city. Consider both dirt single track and paved paths as options. Hoping hickory hills can expand on its trail system.	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
		Simple, natural playground designs like the Boon Street Park or the climbing area by the Splash Pad	Simple, natural playground designs like the Boon Street Park or the climbing area by the Splash Pad						11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
Walking or riding bikes up Randolf to Hickory is not safe. The pickle ball park by dog park sidewalk is covered in debris and hard to get to. Parking is not very obvious either. 1. Replace the crumbled stairs, broken metal poles, entrance to the volleyball beach 2. Build a real walking/hiking path for the women's trail in kids creek. Turn all those rotting trees into a bark trail with some open spaces to sit or eat. 3. The main path in Ashton Park that leads from the corner of Wayne & Madison to the crosswalk to Willow Hill school needs to be fixed up. Kids slip on it all winter long. Someone's going to get really hurt one of these days.	Any parks on grandview. Still a death trap trying to navigate to these. Also construction crossing is a joke. Pedestrian prioritization is an obvious zero. And while you say this is not on us it is DOT or whatever you are still users advocate. Be a voice please, people's life literally count on it. 1. Kids creek women's trail, 2. Volleyball beach entrance, 3. Ashton park	-Pickle ball court cracks, yes, i see it on your list. And it is an absolute ankle grabber. So why haven't you at least temporarily filled these? It is honestly like $400 worth of epoxy and four hours of time. Also, what is up with lighting not working on the pickle ball courts? Those courts are so packed during the day that you either need additional courts or available hours. -Mountain bike trails at Hickory, or anywhere for that matter. No secret on this one, do it! -Beaches, our best park, need love too. I understand "keeping it natural". But the washed up crap and random cement blocks, dead trees, etc cleanup would sure make it look more inviting. -Add pickle ball courts, see above. More Picnic tables and benches with backs.	#NAME? Kids creek women's trail would really service the hospital, commons, kids creek and Slabtown. Proper city center green space in downtown with hardscape and seating.	-Mountain bike trails at Hickory -Additional pickle ball courts -Hickory race hill ussa homologated, it's ok, cut that tree down we can plant more Build out the women's trail into an actual park. It's a really underutilized space that could help bridge the hospital, commons, kids creek and Slabtown to the central neighborhood.	Yes Yes	Mainly downtown, heart of downtown, less parking more green space and pedestrian area. The women's trail would be great for older folks who would like to take a flatter walk than a hike in the commons. It could be like the west sides civic center area.	Yes Yes	I think there's huge opportunity to possibly buy the Redeemer Presbyterian church and turn that into a great park for the central neighborhood.	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh 3_-_Includes_Kids_Creek_Neighbo
	Bryant	Skatepark upgrade	Proper city center green space in downtown with hardscape and seating.	Skatepark upgrade.	Yes	Downtown, central neighborhood	Yes		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
		Consistent use of the beach/sand cleaners!	More trash receptacles and emptying, the ones that are in place now, more often.	Allow overnight parking at the Volleyball courts and the river boat launch lots. Sidewalk/parking at Wags West, more separation plantings between DelMar and Sunset, and a dedicated park in Fernwood/Sofo.	No		Yes		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
More dedicated dog areas, limiting E-buke usage on paved trails to prevent potential crashes.	Hull, Sunset, and Wags west hickory hills grand traverse commons	Public art/murals, shade where tree coverage isn't available, water fountains where needed, community gardens	Restrooms, community garden space		Yes	Fernwood/Sofo, Traverse Heights, airport neighborhoods	Yes		5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
non motorized connections between parks, and surrounding township rec areas.	those are the two that I use most often and would love to see better non motorized connections between parks, and surrounding township rec areas.	I really feel like our area is behind on getting new modern bike trails in public spaces and that we desperately need a Bike Park in our city			Yes		Yes		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Designated biking trails at Hickory would be fantastic to avoid conflicts with disc golf and hiking.		Biking trails at Hickory		Biking trails at Hickory Connector trails, designated access between parks			Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
		The pickleball courts at Division and Bay Street have had numerous injuries due to cracks in the court surfaces. In the last month, one local lady broke her kneecap, and a high school tennis and pickleball coach fractured an elbow when they tripped in the gaps on the court. .		1. Pickleball courts at Division and Bay Streets		Depends on the purpose of the green space. We have lots of forest and trees all over Northern Michigan, so the need for green space in the parks would be dependent upon the main/primary purpose of the park. Wildlife habitat should not be a green space priority in small to medium size urban areas, as only large/continguous land parcels provide significant habitat benefits for wildlife.	Yes		2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
		More shade structures, picnic areas, restrooms, and water access.	Splash pads, art installations, and fitness stations.				Yes		2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
Sadly, Security camera installations at all public parks seems like a good idea these days. Please consider adequate security for all parks, including adequate lighting.	West end beach	Beach groomers/cleaners (mechanized)	Lighting, Nature trails, security	Security Lighting Shady areas	No	Downtown	No	Fix/update the current City Parks before creating any new parks.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
Improve lighting by east bay park		More splash pads that open earlier and stay open later for families with kids.	Nature play grounds, more climbing features	Splash pad at east bay park, updated playground east bay park, climbing playground	No		Yes		13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig
ADA beach access at East Bay Park	Indian Woods Park --no handrail on the stairs	Two thumbs up for a covered picnic pavilion at East Bay Park!			Yes	More pocket parks in downtown ... be sure that Rotary Square isn't over-developed (just plenty of trees, grass, tables/seating and public restrooms).	Yes	Please prioritize park improvements that can be easily used by local residents and seniors.	13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig
		I would simply like to see all existing parks maintained properly. Please do not install additional structures and features that can not be cost effectively maintained or that can be easily damaged or vandalized.			Yes	The entire city is being paved over with ADUs, additional dwellings on existing residential properties, giant and ugly buildings (just look at Eighth street east of Garfield and Front Street west of Division), and overall lack of green space. And City leaders wonder why we have runoff and sewer issues...there is little to no green space to soak up the rain and melting snow. Revert back to requiring properties to have green space. It also would be nice to see the green space on Pine and Thirteenth (old softball field adjacent to Thirlby Field) turned into a park and/or playground. Nothing fancy is needed. Just planting trees would be an improvement.	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho

					Yes	Each distinct neighborhood - defined by neighborhood assoc boundary should be preserved and protected by green spaces or green space corridors buffering that residental neghborhood from commericla buidinf and activity. The curent planning dept and plannng commisison push for increaced density austensibly to address the housing crisis, seems anithtetical to the need for preserving green space.	Yes	see above - green space buffer zones / green corridors	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
Clearly mark where entrances are if not easily apparent. add chipped walking paths to natural area parks. Accessing the commons from Central Neighborhood.	Dutmer's Natural Area, Highland Park, Fulton Park.	Sunset park needs restroom and pavillion (similar to Greilickville harbor park).	More Art or upgrade of the retaining walls in Clinch Park. Maybe a yearly artist exhibit of chalk or paint.	Pavillion, restrooms, and updated sand play area at Sunset Park. A nice park to view the airport.	Yes	Central Neighborhood. Along Boardman Lake.	Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
	Bryant Clinched West end	Rest rooms, improved play structures , covered spaces Even though signage has been improved along Clinch beach, it needs to be closer to the beach rather than on grassy areas directly south, especially the verbiage about keeping dogs on leash. People walking their dogs (sans leash) on the sandy beach don't see the signs up on the grassy area.	Pickleball courts, basketball courts, restrooms, benches, covered spaces,	Restrooms, adequate parking, organized classes and activities for children	No		No	Don't make the parks bigger. Make them better with more amenities and activities.	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
	Bryant Park comes to mind. Which is why we don't go there even though its fairly close.			Parking and safe access Restroom facilities Signage			Yes	Hickory Hills was allotted more than its fair share of BB funds ($1.5M) in the past, they shouldn't get any more for a while until other smaller parks get what they need.	8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh
Having sidewalks that actually reach the wheelchair-accessible picnic tables/positioning wheelchair-accessible tables near walk ways, having benches available at reasonable distances for those with walkers and limited mobility	Bryant Park East Bay Park Hickory Hills	Pickleball court at Clancy Park New playground at Ashton park. More trees/bushes/plants along west end beach to give some reprieve from the road	The soccer and multiuse fields at the civic center could use some love		Yes	Central & Fernwood Neighborhoods	Yes	Bike trails up Old Mission from the TART	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi 2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
Those 4 are my concerns	The difficulty for me is not access	Especially upgrade the playgrounds	Shade structures would be good			I'm not aware of areas that are lacking green space	Yes	Educating residents with an easy to read map of the parks, and mark up where the improvements would be-to see the overall development	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
	Bryant park is an absolute disaster to access via a bike with kids...there is no good sidewalk and cross walk. There should be a cross walk at the eastern light and a new sidewalk on the lake side that walks you down to the park.		Make the public bathrooms open no later than 15 april and close them no earlier than 15 october	Bryant park access			Yes		13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig
Randolph Street has a significant amount of cyclists and pedestrians using it to access Hickory-Meadows, Hills, and Forest. Please make improvements to provide safe access.	Brown Bridge, Bryant Park and Hickory Hills.	Bike trails in Hickory. A water fountain at Hickory Hills for humans and canines.	Bathrooms at hickory Platform tennis at Hickory Hills. It would be the perfect complement to Nordic and alpine skiing.	Platform tennis courts Bathrooms Water stations	Yes Yes	Downtown Easy access to green space helps both your mental and physical wellbeing.	Yes Yes		2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh 4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
Need a bike-friendly curb on the north side of Ashton Park where the bike path meets Hill Street. It is just a regular curb and I've seen so many people crash there on their bikes from hitting the curb. Fixing the stopped up storm sewer in the parking lot of Slabtown Corners would make it more accessible - there is often deep water standing in that parking lot.	Ashton Park (no parking, bad bike curb) Slabtown Corners (very limited parking) West End Beach (hard to cross Grandview Pkwy anywhere but the light at Division because traffic mores so fast and often does not stop for the Ped crossing lights.	Ashton Park needs trash cans! It has playground equipment, it has picnic tables, it has kids in it all the time and there are no trash cans!! Pleeeeeeeease (I promise to pick up trash every day if you install a trash can!). Remove the road grit left on the sidewalk in Slabtown Corners every spring once the snow removal piles melt. It's still down there and it's July…safety issue for pedestrians and bikes. I'd love to see more dog waste bags available in parks to encourage more people to pick up after their dogs.	Replace outdatted trash cans along the bay (lids are rusty, heavy, no handles). Repair broken sidewalks, Repaint railing around the Open Space waterfront. Weed removal in Clinch Park/Open Space. Continue to be vigilant about covering up graffiti. Maybe get more civic groups to sponsor some of the garden/landscape spaces in Clinch park - some look kind of abandoned (the spaces that are sponsored like the Friendly Garden Club and the Master Gardeners look amazing - let's do more of that!)	Trash cans in Ashton Park Dog waste bags in more parks More attention to weed removal, trimming, keeping existing parks looking good.	No		Yes	Thanks for all you do to keep our Parks going - they enrich our lives and I use them everyday (and I pick up trash in them everyday).	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
Clear barriers to ALL right of way accesses to the bays and add good markings, accessibility, and seating.	Bloomfield highland ark… the Bloomfield road easement/access is in poor repair. Not marked, and not safely accessible. As a handicap person, this is my closest park but has no sidewalks, poorly maintained, and basically a tax supported back yard for adjacent owners. It's a great park, but needs some attention.		More restrooms, particularly in the smaller parks	Restrooms, lake access, well posted hours	No		Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
The Boon Street and Arbutus Court park anre essentially inaccessible. There are no sidewalks from the east or west that lead directly to the parks.	Boon street Park Arbutus Court Park	Add a slide to arbutus court park and boon street park. Make the basketball courts at both parks big enough that they could be used as pickleball courts.	More water structures splash pads for cooling down during summer months.	#NAME?	No	The traverse heights neighbor hoops actually has green spaces but they are not accessible by sidewalk.	Yes		9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Signage around the parks needs to be improved and increased. Not only should signs warn nearby drivers of the presence of children in the park, the City should install signs detailing that criminal behavior will be ticketed or prosecuted.		F&M Park is, from my perspective, the City's greatest park asset within the downtown limits. This Park attracts visitors from outside the area and has the potential to be a truly transformative space. The City should invest in Pickleball courts on the west side of the park, improve/modernize the playground equipment on the east side of the park, and replace the gazebo with a bandstand on the north side of the park. That would draw even more guests and create a place where future events, such as concerts, talks, and other community-building opportunities, could be held.	F&M Park is, from my perspective, the City's greatest park asset within the downtown limits. This Park attracts visitors from outside the area and has the potential to be a truly transformative space. The City should invest in Pickleball courts on the west side of the park, improve/modernize the playground equipment on the east side of the park, and replace the gazebo with a bandstand on the north side of the park. That would draw even more guests and create a place where future events, such as concerts, talks, and other community-building opportunities, could be held.	1. F&M - Modernize playground equipment on east side. 2. F&M - Install Pickleball courts on west side. 3. F&M - Build bandstand on north side, to replace gazebo.	Yes	We need more green space in the Boardman, Old Town, and Central neighborhoods.	Yes	Hickory Hills' snowmaking ability needs to be substantially improved as climate change affects our ski seasons. Hickory Hills should also be developed into a welcoming mountain biking area, with more signage, stronger trails, and more clean up.	8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh
Keep the East Bay pedestrian walking Bridge! Or build a pedestrian tunnel to replace the pedestrian walking Bridge for the camp ground and park!	The Traverse City State Park Beach The Brown Bridge walking trail park	Traverse City State Park Beach needs better bathrooms, water fountains and shower. Stop E.coli outbreaks at the Clinch park kids water pad.	Better facilities at the Traverse City State Park Beach.	Traverse City State Park Beach	Yes		Yes		14_-_Includes_airport_area

			Clinch park could use another play structure. Splash pad use is very limited and only popular when very hot out. Something as simple as a big pile of sand on the beach can be a hit for kids. Maybe a kid area by volleyball courts or open space? Hickory hills is very overdue for professional, machine built mountain bike trails. There are successful examples of this in hundreds of cities (Boyne City, Harbor Springs, Petoskey, Rockford, Big Rapids, Grand Rapids, just to name a few).	Mountain bike trails at Hickory Hills. More kid playgrounds or attractions at Clinch Park / West End / Open Space. Connector trails between Hickory, Commons, Munson, West Middle School, Willow Hill, Montessori, West High, etc.					
Non-motorized trail access that connect parks, schools, points of interest (Munson, NMC, etc.). Could be TART style, could be dirt paths. Duluth, MN is a great example of this.	Hickory Hills - would like an established bike trail into the property. M-72 and Barney Roads are way too busy to bike on. Something mountain bike specific thru the meadows (from Wayne and Randolph) and/or SAFE access from Olsen's and the commons.	Sledding hill, HOCKEY rink!			No		Yes	Keep up the good work!!	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
Hickory Hills desperately needs a Platter lift or a T bar lift. Rope tows are physically prohibitive for an adult or snowboarders to use. Please note that only one user group benefits from a rope tow- young, in shape skiers. Our tax dollars should be used to provide a safer, more inclusive lift system for all winter sports users, especially at such a great City park like Hickory. The magic Carpet was a much needed and super successful addition a few years back, let's continue to improve so all can enjoy winter sports in TC. *My daughter and I have been snowboarding there for 5 years now and we love that area, but sadly, we will not be going there anymore as the rope tow lift system prohibits us.	n/a	Jupiter park needs a small pavilion and a modern play structure (the new simple design at Boon st park is great)- hundreds of people ride by it every day but there is no reason to stop and no facilities to take a rest. The huge bush at the corner needs to be cut down, its obtrusive and weirdly, takes away from the niceness of that park	A beach at Hull park, take down that old boardwalk and rip rap shoreline and literally dump play sand along the banks - so many people use that spot but its shoreline is inaccessible and unattractive	1. Hickory needs a T bar lift so all can enjoy that area 2. above mentioned improvements at Jupiter Park 3. more Police presence at Hull park - the transient problem is really destroying that great area.	Yes	yes	Yes	great progress the past few years - keep going! ps a destination dog park in the woods (not a field) behind the old YMCA off south airport, fence in a large are of those woods (please see the Orion Oaks dogpark in Oakland County as a great success example)	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
	Bryant Park	Easy reserving process for pickleball courts Add pickleball to Clancy Park or nearby east side location Filtered water bottle filler at East Bay Park Fitness equipment at East Bay Park	Easy reserving process for pickleball courts Add pickleball to Clancy Park or nearby east side location Filtered water bottle filler at East Bay Park Fitness equipment at East Bay Park Covered picnic pavilion at East Bay Park Small amphitheater venue at Open Space	Add pickleball to Clancy Park or nearby east side location Filtered water bottle filler at East Bay Park Fitness equipment at East Bay Park			Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi 10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
		Indoor gym space for cold months. Gym facilities to play sports in the winter Fitness stations are very underutilized (example would be the one at Oryanna).					Yes		
There is plenty of parking, bike racks, signage and access. The roads are what really need upgrading ... as well as keeping the homeless from congregating in our parks. It is unsafe and 100% keeps people from enjoying, or even visiting, our parks and recreational areas. The Boardman	None are difficult to access	Splash pads are expensive. Sledding hills are a good idea. Clean up the Boardman Lake trail first, though. I hear stories all the time of people (women) being intimidated by riff-raff on that trail.	Renovate, and make safe, the bathrooms at the Sailing club area.		No	Close to neighborhoods	Yes	Keep our parks safe from the homeless bad apples	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho 11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
		Supporting nature trails and bike friendly paths. Possibly a dog park?	Dog park, bike trails		Yes		Yes		
1) Trash can at Ashton Park 2) Sweep sidewalk every spring (rocks and dirt) at Slabtown Corners	Any parks that are further east of Slabtown Corners	Trash can at Ashton Park	Sell coffee at Clinch Park	#1 Trash can at Ashton #2 Clean Slabtown Corners sidewalk of rocks and debris #3 Sell coffee at Clinch Park	No		Yes	If adding parks, make sure they can be maintained in the future (provide trash cans, keep sidewalks usable, for example).	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
									6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
					No		No		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
	Dutmers Natural Area, Sunrise Peace Park, Highland Park				Yes	Anywhere in the Fernwood/Hilltop neighborhoods. I'd like to see public green space along Lake Ridge Drive between 14th and 16th.	Yes		
		More picnic tables, more benches for sitting, and we really need more trash cans across the parks and city. So many people ask me where a trash can is. If it costs more for the city to pickup trash, so be it.		Benches Trash cans				Kill the parking deck plans. Six million $ for a parking garage? For who? Cherry fest was lightly attended this year, although the higher ups are loathe to admit it. Let's get back to serving our permanent local residents and not bending over backwards for tourists.	5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
We have to make sidewalk crossings safer. Drivers are not yielding to pedestrians.	Sunset Park, Clinch Park and Hull Park		Permanent restrooms like Hull Park.	Bicycle patrolling police officers	Yes	The bay in general. We need to protect the spaces along the waterfront.	Yes		
		I would love to see a basketball court somewhere near the beach.	More trees and gardens. Water features like ponds and waterfalls are eye catching and calming	Improve bike trials near old civic center going south along the river				Connect bike path from Boardman trail to chums corner and extend it into neighboring areas for save commute into town	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
		The playground improvements mentioned are most important					Yes		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
	Miller Creek natural area						Yes		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
				More areas that might be good for street entertainers/buskers to bring something new to those wandering by.					
		More murals - love to see them		Possible locations include Hannah Park, the Union Street Dam Area, Lay Park, American Legion Park and Rotary Square.					
		More public trash cans or dog waste stations							
I prefer to ride up M22 to Cedar Run Road to get to the TART/Leelanau trails rather than have all the road crossings on the TART trail between M72 & Cedar Run Rd (I I tow ~120 pounds of dog + trailer and the starts & stops are challenging). I hope there will still be a very wide shoulder for bikes along M22 when the construction is done.		Agree with the earlier comment for more shade structures or trees		Hull Park is pretty busy already, but could work, too.					
	None - access is quite good	Perhaps poison ivy control around Boardman Lake trail	Can't think of anything - the parks are great		Yes	Fernwood	Yes		6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
				Trash cans closer to beach at east bay park.					
Bryant park! No good safe way to access it besides car. Also better fencing by the road is essential. It can be stressful with young kids and only that dilapidated split rail fence to keep them away from the road.				Currently they are all the way at the parking lot so a lot of trash stays on the beach.					
	Bryant. Bryant. Bryant.	Restrooms and shade structures everywhere.	More climbing structures		Yes	Anywhere possible	Yes	Unsure	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
Wellington plaza. Needs to be improved. The landscaping is overgrown and not managed. The decking is in bad repair.		Pickleball courts and bathrooms at (F&M)							
	Wellington plaza			Bathrooms					8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh
Should be more user friendly and suitable for kayak or paddle board launch	Grand traverse commons Hickory	Beaches need attention to landscaping and weed control	Pickleball courts and bathrooms	Pickleball courts Tennis courts	No		Yes	Let's focus on beautifying our current parks. Especially those that serve our downtown areas.	

				Safer access at Bryant More trash cans everywhere					
Steps at Sunrise Peace Park are uneven and starting to degrade.	Bryant Sunrise Peace	Trash can at Sunrise Peace Kayak/SUP racks in the unused area on south side at Sunrise Peace In general: more trash cans to curb littering. More bike racks	Some way to communicate current water quality levels at beaches More bike racks	More trees or shade structures	Yes	On the map, 9&14	Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
NO safe way to bike or walk to Bryant Park!!!!!! Difficult/not safe to access Civic Center!!!! Keep the overhead pedestrian bridge at state park ....and think about adding more of them.	Bryant Park!!!!!! Civic Center East Bay Park	Sunrise Park- SWIM ZONE!!! THis is a glorified public marina. This park has lost all of its charm and is DANGEROUS!!!! There are moorings which cut childrens feet and there are too many boats to swim safely. SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE before someone gets hurt!!!	City to purchase (& SAVE) NMC undeveloped land across the street on Eastern and create a Hickory Meadows type of green space!!!	Safe Bike & Pedestrian Access to Bryant Park Swim Zone at Sunrise Park Safe Bike & Pedestrian Access to Bryant Park (like the pedestrian light at Hall Street) Life guards Police presence	Yes	City to purchase (& SAVE) NMC undeveloped land across the street on Eastern and create a Hickory Meadows type of green space!!!	Yes	Wider & safer side walks to both walk & Bike on east side of town. great job on the wider sidewalks outside the senior center....keep that method to connect to Bryant Park and then to Central High school.	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
	Bryant, West end, sunset	Life guards at all beaches	Police presence	Trash pickup			Yes		10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
No more homeless people Half of the east bay park walk way over sand, appears to be upside down and is rather uncomfortable in bare feet.		No more homeless people East bay park is slowly loosing its trees (mostly oak to oak wilt). New trees should be planted to maintain the shaded areas.	No nore homeless groups..		No		No	End human sewage waste from being pumped into river & lake, which is forming e-coli and other contaminations...	14_-_Includes_airport_area
						Along boardman river down town.	Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
		More/all parks should have playgrounds/play areas to play on. Grass is nice, but many of our parks lack anything to do. PROTECTED bike lanes, but at bare minimum the roads need a serious repainting of existing bike lane lines. Additional seating areas public restrooms would be a massive improvement.	For a nice city, our parks and public park amenities are pretty tired. Updated bathroom interiors at Bryant, permanent bathrooms at places where we currently stick ugly porta-potties. Or at the very least poured, level concrete pads with perhaps appropriate fencing/landscaping around the porta-potty areas to make them look nicer - F&M, Darrow, etc. Water fountains/water bottle fillers are looking tired. Nicer picnic tables would	#NAME?	Yes	Downtown	Yes	Central neighborhood doesn't have a proper public park with a playground! Hannah park isn't appropriate to play in because of all the geese and goose poop. It's fine for fishing, sitting at the tables, and traversing through by foot/bike. But with the steep hills and grass full of goose poop, it's not really a park for kids to enjoy, or for anyone to relax in on the grass. Please deprioritize parking infrastructure and prioritize foot paths, bike paths, and public transit. Cars do not use parks or enjoy public spaces, people do. The more space given to cars is less space people can enjoy.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
			Seating and restrooms	#NAME?			Yes		6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
Nothing		Playground at Hull park	Public restrooms		No		Yes		5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
						There is a lack of space for outdoor play between central neighborhood and the homes across Fourteenth St. Thirlby Stadium is there but most people lack access to this TCAPS resource. What used to be the softball field prior to the Central and West facilities sits there. I know it's TCAPS but this is a public access issue for something that is lacking in the community.	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
		Splash pads are a huge waste a water and money. Art installations is as well. The fitness stations installed at the civic center are a Huge waste of money. People DON'T use them. STOP wasting money on things like this just because two or three people mentioned them.		MORE trees.	Yes		No	There are already plenty of parks and no need for more of them. People can travel to the ones which already exist. SAVE money!	12_-_Include_Triangle_Neighborh
					Yes	the southern section of Central neighborhood	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
Well walking trail fine, would enjoy more paved nbike trails eventually?	Not a problem yet for me.	More parks!	More land.	Paved bike trails. More Dog parks Wildlife protections, no hunting please.	Yes	On lakes, Arbutus only has small park, Spider none?	Yes	Get more to use parks for many unknown. Thanks	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Bryant Park: There is no safe way to access this park by pedestrians or non-motorized vehicles from neighborhoods east of Peninsula Drive. Coordination with MDOT is needed to install crosswalks with traffic lights at the following areas: 1) To/from park at sidewalk along west side of Garfield (alongythe church). 2) To/from above mentioned sidewalk at Anderson St. 3) To/from park at Peninsula Court In addition, the sidewalk that runs along Bryant Park and Peninsula Drive needs to be completed all of the way to Eastern Avenue, including a crosswalk at Eastern Avenue to the new sidewalk being installed now.	Bryant Park	From the perspective of Bryant Park only, we have noticed that regular maintenance is lacking. The grass grows quite long before mowing. The maintenance crew failed to dispose of a large crow carcass, despite calls to the city regarding it. (They mowed around it!) The garbage bins are a terrible design. There is no way to dispose of larger to-go containers or pizza boxes, which are then just thrown on the ground. I would like to see som of the DDA money put towards helping fund additional staff for park maintenance and care - if they can fund SEEDS to maintain downtown, then also help the city fund better park maintenance also.	Better and more signage regarding dog rules: leashes required at all times, no dogs on beach, owners must pick up after pets, etc	Resolve dangerous access issues to Bryant Park			Yes	Traverse Heights and Central neighborhoods	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
		Having a pocket park in Central Neighborhood other than Central Grade School would be great. After school, the latch key program uses it, then this summer it is being used by summer camps all day until 5pm.							
		Perhaps having some playground equipment at Lay Park?	See above.		Yes	Central Neighborhood.	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
	Bryant park	Pickleball court in Clancy Park. Basketball hoop in Highland Park and East Bay park. Community pool in Highland park :)	Bathrooms, parking, entrance to Howe Arena.		No		Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
		More shade spaces at clinch.	Central Grade Playground needs soft surfaced	F & M, Hannah Lay, Clinch	No		Yes	The new bathrooms west and clinch are a great start! More, please	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
More bike racks definitely, and better bike accessibility leading to the trials itself (in addition to the safer crosswalks and sidewalks)			Better access to public bathrooms.		Yes	I agree with the need for more green space in Central neighborhoods!	Yes	Please make more bike lanes and protected paths--the 8th street bike paths end just before Cass and makes it dangerous to bike on the road, and dangerous to bike on the sidewalk with pedestrians. More dedicated bike lanes in the city please!	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho

None come to mind	1. Bryant Park 2. Women's Walk is not difficult to access but in the past when visiting the park my son and I found a ton of garbage scattered in several places, from presumably the remnants of homeless people living there. Since it is an isolated park, the thought of running into homeless people in the area while hiking with my son made me a bit nervous. I suggest that the Parks & Recreation department regularly walks through the entirety of Women's Walk to survey whether or not it needs to be cleaned up.	A permanent restroom by the volleyball courts on West End beach.	A permanent restroom and shelter (a pavilion) at Darrow Park. I am a Head Coach for Norte for the Adventure Bike Club which takes place in Fall and Spring and the home base for the Slabtown ABC meetup is Darrow Park. Both of the items I mentioned (not having a restroom and shelter) were issues for us. I am sure the community would appreciate these additions to Darrow Park, it would encourage the use of the park for more gathering (birthday parties, holiday gatherings, etc.).	1. Darrow Park restroom and shelter 2. Volleyball Courts restroom 3. The addition of more art installations through all of the parks in TC	Yes	There are 3 vacant lots for sale in the Kid's Creek neighborhood in Slabtown off of Cedar Street. Kid's Creek runs through all 3 of the lots and they frequently flood during heavy rainstorms. I propose the city purchases these lots, removes the structure currently on one of the lots (an old abandoned and creepy house), and turns the lots into a public park. The park could include a playground and art installations along the creek.	Yes	Traverse City has done a solid job creating parks throughout the community and has worked well with the TART Trail Association to develop and maintain bike paths throughout the city. Please keep it up! The natural beauty of Traverse City makes it a wonderfully unique place. The parks and bike paths only make TC better and help the community thrive, especially with the popularity of nonprofits like Norte.	3_-_Includes_Kids_Creek_Neighbo
We need more dog parks. I would like to see a safe fenced area in Traverse Heights.	Most parks are bike accessible. It is a little scary trying to bike to the park at the foot of the peninsula.	More Dog Park play areas. Kids fishing pier at the base of Barlow St.	Fenced Dog Parks Kids fishing pier at the base of Barlow St.	Fenced Dog Parks Stop dumping storm water and cigarette butts into the bay. Kids fishing pier at the foot of Barlow Street.	No		Yes	Fenced Dog Parks Kids fishing pier at the base of Barlow St.	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
TC needs to fix the sewage infrastructure!!! Stop taxing us to death and taxing the elderly out of their homes and fix our sewage problem. Poop in our West Bay is disgusting, unhealthy and unacceptable. Those who claim to be for the "environment". We have so many parks they a fine the way they are right now. Our city is full of unelected bureaucrats that constantly steal tax payer money in the name of frivolous projects.	This is a mute point until you fix our sewage infrastructure.	The sewage you idiots!! You can fund raise to fix small things in parks. Can you fix the traffic problem in our small town now? You keep taking away more parking for building more unaffordable housing.	Sewage infrastructure	Your land acquisitions are "land grabs" !! Resurface Dog Park Pickleball Courts More trees, shade structures on the Open Space	No	Fix the sewage and drainage systems and quick taxing our elderly out of their houses.	No	Quit raising our city taxes all in the name of millages.	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
Grandview Parkway with the high speed of traffic.	West End Beach and the volleyball court area.	More energy and money spent on maintaining the parks. More tra sh cans and benches are needed. Upgrade existing lighting with night sky compliant lighting.	Bench swings, Weeding flowerbeds.	Smoother trail through Hannah Park, especially near the Perry Hannah statue.	Yes	Civic Square downtown. Traverse Heights neighbors and neighborhood south of 14th Strret	Yes	Maintain our parks better by hiring additional Park employees. Establish a citizen volunteer program to help maintain parks.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
1. adequate parking.in all the parks 2. Lifeguards at the most populated beaches, clinch Park 3. A poster that people could buy or get free of all the parks in Grand Traverse County 4. Year round activity ideas for all the parks. Have increased exercise opportunity, such as the exercise pad near Oryana	it is a good question the parks I use the most are Bryant park , biking through clinch Park. And biking around East Bay Park all seem to have accessible. Access.		In the most busy parks, I would have year-round bathroom facilities opened during daylight hours	I have made notations in the earlier parts of this survey	No		Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi 12_-_Include_Triangle_Neighborh
In general prioritize pedestrians and cyclists in town over cars. Do everything you can to make walking and biking safer from interactions with cars.		Improved parking at Bryant Park (existing parking is difficult to get in and out of). More frequent trash and litter removal, more frequent restroom cleaning, more policing to keep intoxicated and disorderly people from ruining the parks for others. Enforcing dog owners picking up after their pets.	Same as above.	Keep them clean. Keep them from becoming homeless camps. Prioritize safe access for pedestrians and cyclists.	Yes	The strip of land east of Lake Avenue would be a great park.	Yes	Shut down Safe Harbor and all of the other services that attract a transient homeless population to Traverse City. The parks get ruined when they become homeless hangouts.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
None of the parks in Traverse City have nearly enough parking. Parking needs to be prioritized to ensure that parks and public land can be accessed.	You need a parking plan for all of the beaches	Again, parking. More parking. Especially at beaches. And completely rebuild the open space - it should be the centerpiece of TC	Complete rebuild of the open space park	Rebuild open space, add more parking everywhere. Put money into the Boardman river project	No	Just enhance what we have	No	Build things that have an roi	1_-_Includes_Morgan_Farms_Neigh
		Jupiter Gardens has very few amenities. A kids play structure would be a great addition, along with a drinking fountain for trail users.					Yes		9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Clearer pathways to get to parks, sidewalk ramps, and signage to communicate to drivers that there are children and adults crossing here! I believe occasional and regular public safety presence is helpful in making those places safe, especially for kids, and improving relationships with community members. Teens particularly benefit from positive interactions with our public safety officers.	Bryant Park, Slabtown Corners, and East Bay Beach Rotary Park. Not difficult to access physically, but no reason to access when events aren't held there. Sitting space, garden, pavilion for shade, perhaps a public bathroom would be welcome additions.	I prefer natural materials to be used in parks. I certainly reminisce on the old F and M and Kid's Cove structures. More public art would be awesome too! Bathrooms and pavilions are wonderful since they accommodate groups and changes in the weather.	Water bottle fillers, more public art, natural material structure. Bathrooms and pavilions are wonderful since they accommodate groups and changes in the weather.	More water access, public art, bike racks Rotary Park - add garden(s) - add sitting areas - possibly add pavilion for shade and/or bathroom	Yes	Natural spaces that all for kids and adults to create their own form of play. The Giant Hole next to J&S Hamburg on Frint.	Yes Yes		8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh 6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor

Step back and look at this not as a park-by-park issue, but rather systemically for all parks. Start first by improving access to all parks by creating greenways that facilitate getting to and using parks, via foot or bike. Driving TO parks is silly. Think of it like "safe routes to school", but "safe routes to a park." Since the planet is teetering on the edge of calamity due to climate change caused by global warming caused by ridiculously antiquated policies, take a leadership position and promote NOT using greenhouse gases to get to parks. Example: Hickory hills is an island park with not even a sidewalk to get to it. If this jewel is to be an urban haven, make it more accessible with a tart-like trail up Randolph. We need pedestrian connectivity (such as sidewalks or a bike trail). Maybe that's not the purview of your survey, but that time and energy to make it happen is the highest priority for accessibility.	1) Ashton Park: have you ever tried to walk your kid to school in Ashton Park? Good luck navigating the constantly down trees and branches as well as the roots on the trail that are a consequence of being designated a "wilderness park" (which boggles the mind considering the entire park is surrounded by urban development). This park is used every day during the school year by the elderly and young kids who are walking, running, and riding bikes. Should they avoid the roots and not run into other walkers? How about the dead tree branches that are overhead, or recently fallen? 2) Hickory Hills: unless you're driving a car, good luck getting there. 3) West end beach west of Volleyball courts: the cross-walk west of the existing hawk signal is a DISASTER waiting to happen.	Shade sails in areas with seating underneath in the grassy areas leading to sandy beaches. Designated fire pits for safe beach fires along west bay. Add rope-swing-like seating along the beaches. Install buffer greenery along Grandview parkway from West End Beach down to Tom's to block the agitation of cars flying by. All parks should have water bottle/fountain and pet water stations. Integrate community art in all parks (see how bentonville, ar has done this). Pollinator gardens in all parks. App controlled lighting that can be brightened individually via QR code (then defaults to low light after a certain duration).	Shade sails in areas with seating underneath in the grassy areas leading to sandy beaches along west bay. Designated fire pits for safe beach fires along west bay. Install buffer greenery along Grandview parkway from West End Beach down to Tom's to block the agitation of cars flying by. When lying on a towel on the beach, do you find the sound of rubber on pavement soothing? I don't. MORE TREES everywhere. Buy equipment to sift the sand along the west bay beaches to remove zebra mussel shells, glass, etc.	Hickory Hills could maximize its existing investment.Imagine a coffee/sandwich/ice cream shop open to outdoors in non-winter months. Install a "half garage door" near the existing southern fire pit, add shade sails, picnic tables with umbrellas, and install play structures nearby. "Seed Bomb" lodge-facing slopes with wildflowers. Create a wonderful community gathering spot/wedding feature. Look here for coffee shop inspiration: https://airshipcoffee.com/pages/airship-coffee-coler?srsltid=AfmBOopHqcqbznDccFvV8x_iZTVpOMtjm6wKUid2BDy7C46Qj5RwtlrOx The Open Space is sorely lacking in amenities: it	Yes	1) Need a park somewhere between Division/10th street over to 17th/Cass. Side note: Thirlby Field properties are embarrassingly underutilized. Ditch the existing gravel parking/ weed-filled ice skating rink. These command a lot of square footage. Again- add TREES, features, seating, maybe a water park(?) string lights, amphitheater, play structures, maybe a dog park. This could be a jewel/destination that could revitalize pathetic 14th street. 2) Acquire (for a $1) the parcel of land along cedar run road currently owned by TC light and Power. Why is this for sale to a developer? It's already OWNED by the public. The views and topography are unmatched, given that they aren't owned by private houses. Honestly, it's almost shameful to give it to a developer, given growth pressures. 3) Acquire property, if necessary to create a pedestrian trail along Randolph to Hickory.	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
Provide parking at Wayne St entrance to Hickory Meadow Add parking at west end of west end beach, allowing unloading of kayaks, etc Pave southward extension of Elmwood Ave to school trail to help bike traffic		Rebuild neglected trails in commons area hillside to decent standard (as at Hickory Forest) Make parking lot lights Dark-sky compatible at Hickory Hill Add more benches along bayshore west of open space park , continuing to west beach, with some in the shade Pave southward extension of Elmwood Ave to school trail to help bike traffic Improve E-W on-street bike routes east of Division st, with protected bike lanes	Rebuild neglected trails in commons area hillside to decent standard (as at Hickory Forest) these are in awful shape, unsigned	Pave southward extension of Elmwood Ave to school trail to help bike traffic Add more benches along bayshore west of open space park , continuing to west beach, with some in the shade			Yes	Park system is outstanding with real jewels - bayshore, hickory, brown bridge already - but can be made even better Improve bike options as alternatives to driving, in particular E-W on-street bike routes from Division st and eastward, with protected bike lanes	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh 4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
	Bryant		Hull park, Tart trail too crowded, uneven surface, too narrow. Separate bike lane needed. No access to library from Hull park on a bike. Very difficult/dangerous to access Library from Hull park on a bicycle.	Separate bike lanes. Better/safer access via bicycle.	No		Yes		9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Safer ways to cross streets to access the parks. Cass and 16th is one, very busy and very dangerous, many people use this to access the tart trail to get to Hull and Medalie parks.	Bryant Park	Separate bike lanes.			Yes	Aesthetic.	Yes	Buying up and coveting land for use by the city, increases the cost of housing.	5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
			More trees in rotary square Better enforcement of landscaping guidelines in new developments. (Condo development immediately north of lake ridge condo has not one tree on the east side which an acre of no shade)	Shaded sitting areas.	No		No	Supply and demand. That simple.	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Remove in-town signage about tart cross town route. It is really just 'more signs' that are not helpful	Clinch park				Yes	Downtown. The one Green space west of cali's cottons was built on…big loss	Yes		6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
Hannah Park 6th and Union	Hannah Park, Central Grade School Playground, Clinch Park	Consider downtown ice rink and tree for holidays at Rotary Square - Thanksgiving through New Year's Day)		Update Hannah Park and Traverse Heights property - looks atrocious with the new fence and unmaintained look.	Yes	Traverse Heights has great property already designated as park lands, they need updating.	Yes	Infrastructure I don't know how much you put into the civic center to redo the trail and the bridge but it was a COMPLETE WASTE OF MONEY.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho 8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh
None, this is a waste of money	None.	None	None	None	No	No	No		
We need to tie in multimodal access to ALL parks to a city wide effort to design and establish at a minimum of two east/west and four north/south safe dedicated and/or delineated transportation corridors for non motorized transportation options. This will enable pedestrians, the disabled and cyclists to get to the TC parks and return home safely. They should be designed with the "8 to 80" rule - than a parent of an 8 year old can say to them that they can go across town to a park or an 80 year old get to a park and safely back on these designated transportation corridors. this is especially important for the city and those that manage the parks that are looking for ways to decrease motorized traffic (and the costs associated with maintaining the road infrastructure to support the weight of these vehicles), promote healthy transportation options and increase the usage of the parks. Very particularly important given the explosion of e-bike usage and the fact that this will not stop.	Hickory Hills - a dedicated counterflow lane for cyclists to get to and back for Hickory Hills along Randolph Street. This will significantly increase the use of the park in 3.5 seasons for mountain biking. Brown Bridge - a cycle path to Brown Bridge.	Hickory Hills - a dedicated snow tubing hill and sledding hill with infrastructure to support these alternatives. This will encourage expanded user base - families who do not ski but want the take advantage of the snow in a different way.	A quality restaurant space at Hickory Hills that can be ""auctioned off"" each year to unique food vendors who may want to use it as a ""pop up"" trial space.	Expanded access options for residents to get to parks and return safely home (mentioned above: safe transportation corridors). Especially important given many families are opting for e-technolgy transportation alternatives that can carry heavier loads (cargo bikes) and multiple people of a given family, not to mention the elderly who have aged out of automotive options due to health reasons. Mooring buoys off West End beach that can be managed by the marina and rented to boaters.	Yes	Traverse Heights neighborhood. A pocket park at Race Street and 14th Street. there is an undeveloped parcel of land there that could have playground equipment and green space (take down the white fence).	Yes	Given parks will be destinations for residents and visitors, invest in proper bike and visitor facilities at all major entry points; sufficient bike racks [innovative types like trombone style are very popular and effective in Europe]; collection pads/points for bikes to gather at key crossings at park entry points and exits; rest room facilities; disability design.	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N

Parking lot improvements with minimal tree removal, especially at Bryant Park, helps make parks more accessible. Also, adding permanent picnic tables thoughtfully placed near grills makes parks more accessible. The tables are very heavy and move frequently. Better thought out trash receptacles are needed. He new ones at Bryant are eye pleasing but don't accommodate large disposable fast food containers.	Not knowing every park I really can't say. You seem aware of Bryant. I think Sunset Park (aka Goose Poop Park) has issues. Never think of going there. Barely think of it as a park. It's just a big lawn.	Maybe if the city hosted events at different parks with food (ice cream, hot dogs, pie, whatever) it would show people where the parks are what they offer. Replace old rickety city owned fences.	Permanently mounted tables thoughtfully placed near grills and/or some lighter weight tables. Solid large trash receptacles with lids that accommodate large pieces of trash. More signage regarding smoking and pets. I oppose large covered areas that obstruct beach and water views.	Improved parking lots that preserve trees Better thought out trash receptacles that accommodate large pieces of trash Some permanent thoughtfully placed picnic tables and/or smaller lighter ones that can be moved easily.	No	I don't know was my choice but it wasn't available.	No	I'm only opposed to adding new parks because the parks we have show neglect. Let's improve and maintain what we have before we add more.	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
Darrow Park is a popular staging area for bikers to access the Leelanau Trail. This area needs to be developed to improve parking, bathroom access (there's just a porta potty there in the summer only), and trail access that doesn't require cutting through the grass and across traffic to get to the trail.		I'd like to see trails for use by the walkers and doggers at Hickory Meadows so they stay off the groomed ski trails. Allowing walkers in these trails that cost time and $$ to groom creates major user conflict and negatively affects the experience for both groups. Please provide separate trails for them and enforce use of the appropriate trail.	See comment above re: Darrow Park	1) Darrow park upgrades for safer and more convenient cyclist access to the Leelanau Trail 2) Trail for walkers in the winter for walkers and doggers separate from xc ski trails at Hickory meadows			Yes		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Making sure there is a clear and safe non-motorized route to parks. Why force people to drive if they can access by foot or bike.	Hickory Hills West End Beach East Bay Park	More trails, pathways, boardwalks, connectors.	More trails, pathways, boardwalks, connectors. A dedicated pump track in the Civic Center or other centrally located park would be great.	Pump track			Yes	Appreciate the engagement on this.	7_-_Includes_Downtown_and_Midto I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Strongly support better access across Peninsula Dr. and Garfield to Bryant Park More parking at Hull Park More parking at volleyball courts Eliminate bicycles thru the cemetery by providing a trail from the Civic Center along Steel or Hastings St. to the Tart Trail along Parsons Support more lighting in Bryant Park Improve landing sites on the Boardman with improved handicapp access, kayak and canoe launch ramps for getting in and out of the water	Hull park -- too many people with Bike and Brew Volleyball courts -- parking is sometimes full Beitner Rd on the boardman for access to hiliking/biking paths and the river. Clinch Park due to too many e-coil out breaks. Camping on Power Island	More restrooms at Bryant park and East Bay park. Shade structure at Bryant Park More restrooms at Hull Park Bathrooms	Showers for park users and the homeless	Eliminate bicycles thru the cemetery by providing a trail along Steel or Hastings from the Civic Center to the Tart Trail along Parsons Better access to Bryant Park More parking at volleyball courts Water access, bathroom facilities at the parks in town, and improved water quality on West Bay	Yes No	Oak Park Neighborhood Triangle Neigghborhood	Yes Yes	Maintain the trees and park-like setting in the cemetery No just always a fan of more green space	10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor 9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N,14_-_Includes_airport_area
The crosswalks across division feel unsafe. Many cars don't stop for pedestrians within the crosswalk and it is hard to tell if the second lane of cars is going to stop. We need bike and walking paths to connect all of the parks in the city. Many parks are on an island by themselves. To be best in class, TC needs to designate a green belt around the city to preserve local access to nature. We're going to keep growing and keep pushing natural areas farther away from the city.	The commons is challenging to access because of crossing division. Hickory hills is difficult to access because of crossing division and the lack of a formal connection between hickory and the commons (huge need for this formal connection). The BRT out to brown bridge has some dangerous sections. The Beitner road link to Hoosier valley is very sketchy with having to ride on the side of the road next to 60mph cars.	Mountain bike trails at hickory are top priority and would put TC on the map for a mountain bike destination. Hickory and the commons connection would be fantastic. Always could use more trees at parks.	I would like to see city property 1399 lake ridge drive near the kayak launch to be converted into an official city park. People on the boardman trail heavily enjoy that area and it should be protected as a park.	1. Mountain bike trails at hickory 2. Connectivity between parks 3. Turn 1399 lake ridge drive into an official park	Yes	1399 lake ridge drive in fernwood should become an official city park	Yes	Please consider a green belt around the city. Boulder CO and Ithica NY are best in class examples. It would enhance TC as an outdoor recreation center.	5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
If adding lighting, please have it be dark sky compliant or motion sensing. More light is not better. I feel that park access is decent and support the ideas already proposed.	I don't have problems accessing parks.	Shade structures are also homeless encampments. The pavilion at the kayak launch is not a place for families. I would not like to see many improvements. I prefer natural settings. The improvements I suggest are native tree and shrub plantings, anti-erosion, maybe garbage cans. Improvements cost to maintain, can be vandalized, are misused and are unnatural. More plantings at the beaches would be great, especially the volleyball beach area and behind Clinch.	I would like to see park lighting activated by motion sensor and only on when needed by pedestrians.	More white pines, native shrubs, nature.	Yes	Near Thirlby field/14th Street. Something like Lay Park would be nice there.	Yes	To keep it natural and chill. No neon colors, nothing too bright. We don't need more benches. This is an active community. We don't sit, we run, walk, bike and blade.	6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
We should continue to look to acquire access to water in areas that are mostly private, especially along East Bay and base of Old Mission.	N/A	More pickleball, more universal trash/recycling/compost.	More permanent beach chairs like Clinch Park.	More neighborhood green spaces, purchasing abandoned lots for public space for picnics. Every neighborhood should have a walking distance park.	Yes	Every resident should have a walking distance park and easy access to the water, beyond Clinch, Bryant, and East Bay park.	Yes	Zone 11 and 13 should have more public access to water	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
The entire waterfront from the volleyball courts down to West End has entirely too much goose poop on it. Something has to be done about the geese. I think more signage might help.		At F&M Park, add lighting along State st. Why was this removed? At a rest room instead of outhouses 5-months of the year. Replace the carousel wheel. Add electrical outlets for the Cherry Festival and other events. I think pickle ball is entirely too noisy. How about maintaining the creek through Slabtown especially between division and Oak streets where the Willow trees were removed behind CVS. I manly use East Bay, and I feel it's great in it's old school, natural features. It could use updated restrooms, though. It would be nice to have a restroom at Bryant, too. I also feel we need to plant more trees, actively anticipating die-off of mature trees. I am not really excited about more 'Stuff" at parks that would be targets for vandals and require more ongoing maintenance. Let's keep it simple. More pickle ball courts please.				Yes	The warehouse district could use a park instead of another big hotel. can we please preserve the view of the bay and stop building big buildings that block our view. How about preserving the little triangle of green on second Street next to the veterinarians office to the west ofTraverse dental Associates. The trees there are beautiful. that should be preserved.	Yes		10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor 2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
	Bryant, Bryant, and Bryant		Trees	clean, bright restrooms are most important. Tree planting I see no need for splash pads,			Yes	Prioritize maintenance of natural features, minimize hardscape structures, clean restrooms, tree planting	13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig I_live_outside_the_City_limits

		More garbage/recycling bins in parks along the Parkway, please!							
		And yes, please update the Ashton playground. There's a lot of broken glass in the soil matrix at Ashton Park around the existing play structures, and it would be great to dig or sieve that out there.	It would be great to replace the tree(s) that came down at Darrow Park to provide more shade (eventually) to the east side of the park - - where the swings are. More trees always and everywhere, actually.		Yes	Downtown: if there are opportunities to create pocket parks by acquiring vacant lots, portions of surface parking lots, etc., please do. Same goes for the Fourteenth Street corridor. As that gets more traffic and more use, it would be wonderful to create some small parks on or near that corridor.	Yes	Your department does an excellent job and the parks look wonderful. Thanks for everything you do!	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
Better way finding coordination between non motorized pathways like tart to city parks and rec areas, infilling with marked bike lanes where necessary to facilitate safer access.		Maps with routes for non motorized access from park to park.	I would like our city to have some mountain bike specific trails so i do not have to drive all the way to the vasa to ride.	Mountian bike trails at Hickory. Seating and shade at the open space.	Yes	Along our river	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
	I have to agree with the above statement about crossing the street to Bryant Park. I can walk there, but crossing Peninsula Dr is scary! I also agree about the need for better lighting.	I like the fountain in Jupiter Park that includes a dog bowl, these should be in all parks.							
A local activist pointed out that Clinch Park is difficult to access in a wheelchair.		Make sure the bridge at Hull Park is well maintained so it doesn't rattle. I realize this is a silly comment, but it frightens my dog.	As I get older, I'd say ample benches and shade stations. Maybe community gardens. Accessibility for all.	Drinking fountains/water access. Trash cans					
I used to work at the Bijou Theater and parking was a challenge because it was monitored for marina users.	I'm troubled that Sunset Park has so many "no swim" advisories. Effort needs to be made to this centrally located park.	I know there's the carry-it-out philosophy, but I wish there were trash containers in parks.		Removal of invasive species	Yes	The area around Barlow, near the city limits.	Yes	Trees and vegetation matter!	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Relocating pickleball courts from Dog Park to Hickory Hills	Dog park pickleball courts	Safe place to play pickleball downtown	10 pickleball courts with restroom and water refill	East Bay beautiful new waterfront site to fish swim snd launch kayak. New signage at all parks. Suttons Bay Herman Park is a great example of park with courts, food pavilion, dog walk area, lots of parking	Yes	Traverse Heights area	Yes	The Dog Park pickleball courts are extremely dangerous for a city that depends on tourism it is embarrassing.	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
The parking for the Veteran's Park, Dog Park, and pickleball courts off Division is terrible. People who play pickleball and/or visit the dog park have very limited parking.	Dog Park pickleball courts off Division Street	A better pickleball facility for the TC pickleball players. It's a growing sport and is going to continue to grow as the youth are getting involved. The TC Dog Park pickleball park is the central hub for pickleball players in the city. We need better parking, safer courts, and a respectable park for this growing sport.	Cleaner and safer areas within our parks.	1) Dog Park Pickleball courts (Division Street) rebuilt with safer courts, ample parking, and green-scape surrounding the courts. 2) Do not allow dog park visitors to smoke marijuana while watching their dogs run. It's an offensive smell to the pickleball players and not a healthy substance to breath in while exercising on the pickleball courts. 3) Require the dog park visitors to pick up their pet waste after each visit. During the summer months the smell is terrible for the pickleball community. 4) Upgrade the bathroom facility at the Veteran's park location (Division Street)	Yes		Yes		12_-_Include_Triangle_Neighborh
		Improve the pickleball courts at the Dog Park. They need to be redone. Do not move them.			No				I_live_outside_the_City_limits
		Restrooms and picnic areas	Restrooms and clean drinking fountains/ water fill stations.	Remove pickleball courts from Slabtown.	Yes	Slayton	Yes	Pickleball courts serve only a limited number of older residents, with many other options available to them for play. Further, the newly renovated Senior Center provides ample space for their activities. The Slabtown/Dog Park area presents obvious inherent problems and should be converted to open green space and enhanced play area for families in the community. This would also be very beneficial during festivals, fireworks, etc. An ice skating rink during winter would also be a plus in this area.	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
			Playgrounds, seated areas		Yes	Places for families to get together and enjoy each others company, kids need a place to play and roam as well as calm space away from the hustle and bustle of the city. Traverse is becoming too big to be walkable and unsafe for its residents	Yes		5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
A crosswalk connecting the two sides of the Boardman nature preserve- where the old dam used to be.	Boardman lake lately has not felt the most safe. I used to walk or bike it all the time and now I don't. Maybe some enforcement of no camping?	More sidewalks in neighborhoods so we can safely get to the park.	Nice garbage bins that are regularly cleaned and maintained.				Yes		5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
None. There are plenty of parks and accessibility to them already. Stop wasting money.	None.	None. They're already too many features that are under utilized and a waste of money to maintain.	None. They're already too many features that are under utilized and a waste of money to maintain.	Get rid of water wasting splash pads. Big waste of money. Put the benches in the shade instead of everyone of them sitting in the friggin sun.	No	Stop trying to expand and waste money. This will help fund future maintenance of the current parks. Duh	No	I am absolutely voting no for this ridiculous waste of a huge amount of money. It could be spent on so many other actually necessary items that will benefit many more of us than this.	12_-_Include_Triangle_Neighborh
		Indian Woods Park needs a jungle gym to replace the jungle gym removed in previous park upgrade.							
		Indian Woods Park would be greatly improved by a cement and tile checker/chess board with seats. I will pay half of the procurement cost.	cement and tile chess/checker board with seats or benches				Yes		13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig

How can parks become even more of a “third space.”	Hull park and the Boardman Loop trail due to unhoused community members. I would love to see more day time shelters and services available for the unhoused and more focus on affordable housing and mental healthy services.	One of our family’s favorite parks is Boardman Nature Center/ Sabin Pond. We love the mud kitchen/ natural play ground. Though we have many beaches, spaces like this are great for young families so we don’t have to worry about anyone going into deep water. More natural play structures. And shade. Always shade. Hickory hills bike park, and TCLP property that is contaminated by the city and is up for sale. Make it a park and keep an eye on it.	The restrooms at Civic Center by Norte are usually not the cleanest. We try to avoid using them. Step stools at sinks/ changing tables make things easy for parents. More places where parents and care givers can talk and feel their kids are confined- a “tot lot” that is fenced in so littles can’t escape into the road, woods, water. The contaminated TCLP property need to be a park.	1. Multi age level features so that young and old children can play at the same time. I have a 4 year old up to a 13 year old and love when there is something for everyone. Swings and basketball, slides and teather ball, balance beams and chess tables. 2. We love the Boardman loop trail. Could there be a play structure at the south end where the large row boats are stored? A destination to bike to. 3. More murals like Katherine Cordons at Bryant Park TCLP property, TCLP property, TCLP property	Yes Yes	A Central Neighborhood playground. Central Grade School and Saint Francis school play grounds cannot be used 8am-5pm during school days due to school and after school policy. The neighborhood needs a space to walk or bike south of Grandview. TCLP property	Yes Yes	While I love making our parks better, we really have a great park system. One of the largest issues as of late is the unhoused in proximity to children. More funds towards affordable housing, and the Community Coalition’s plans to build a long term housing first solution with wrap around services for those facing homelessness. Hickory hills bike trails	I_live_outside_the_City_limits 9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Access to Bryant park would be a big one. Such a great park but very unsafe to access for pedestrians and cyclists. Hopefully a multi-use path can be installed connecting the Blue Goat area up to the light at Eastern Avenue and the new side walk project. A safe cross walk going north from the church to the park would be a great addition as well.	1) Bryant Park (by far relative to the value of it) 2) Commons 3) Silverbrook Acres	Improved restroom access, with longer seasonal availability and maintenance. Same with water fountain access.	Accessibility.	1) Connected, Safe Trails & Crossings Expand and connect shared-use paths between parks and neighborhoods with safer road crossings for pedestrians and cyclists, especially near schools and high-traffic roads. 2) Restroom Extended Access Accessible restrooms that are open earlier in the spring and later into the fall — especially at popular spots like West End Beach, Hickory Meadows, and Open Space. Portable toilets in some of the smaller ones like Clancy, etc. 3) Awareness of some of the pocket/hidden parks in certain neighborhoods.	Yes	Probably the Traverse Heights & Central neighborhoods.	Yes	The parks in general are really nice. If we can concentrate on getting to the parks themselves (on foot or bike), I feel more people can have access.	11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
You almost can't do too much to make the Bryant Park pedestrian access safer. Very obvious striping, temporary signage in the summer months, flashing lights, whatever. Similar to the parkway.		A fenced dog area and porta-potty at Clancy Park. Shade structures are a good idea if they fit the character of the park - natural materials, neutral tones. I wouldn't love to see a lot of new plastic crap in city parks. The same goes for amenities - please proceed with a light hand. Adding splash pads, art installations and fitness stations can mean 'losing' space for picnics, spike ball, dog walking, etc. Clinch Park and the Civic Center have a nice density of these types of amenities. Not all parks need them.		Fenced dog area at Clancy Park. (There is a large corner that is used for nothing else and due to the new leash requirements, dogs can no longer run free.) Portable potty at Clancy Park. The park is used daily by summer bike camps and has water but no rest room facilities for the kids.			Yes		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
The "first" parking lot at Hickory Meadows where walkers and x-country skiers park tends to be very dangerous. A mirror at the Randolph entrance to allow people to see who's coming up the hill, speed bump or other traffic calming to slow people down as they come off Randolph will reduce the risk of collisions or pedestrian strikes.	I find all of the city parks to be relatively easy to access.	A boardwalk at the Women's Trail would improve access since it can be so muddy and hard to navigate after a big rain.	Nothing to add.	Women's Trail boardwalk near the north entrance and at the Kids' Creek crossing. Shade structures made from natural materials	Yes	A park in Fernwood is a good idea. Traverse Heights has the elementary school and Boardman Lake, but a city park might be a nice addition for the neighborhood.	Yes	The trailer park that borders the airport (West Side) is pretty barren. A pocket park or at least more attention to trees and shrubs would be nice.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
East Bay Beach: Mobi-mat could be placed earlier in the season. Needs clear posting of deep water spots near boat launch. Parents think it’s shallow. Traffic too fast on E Bay Blvd near park. I’m not a fan of signs, but making could be placed on pavement—either road diet lines or ped crossing lines or both	Bryant, Bryant, Bryant	Concrete in compliance with ADA but not extra! Keep spaces natural with as little future infrastructure maintenance as possible. Replace white and red pine trees in East Bay Park that have historically grown there. resurface the pickleball courts or install new courts at hickory hills (maybe even indoor courts for play in the winter)	Again, ADA yes, and minimal infrastructure to upkeep. Make stairs with the ground & wood or stones—not concrete well you've added restrooms at the beach by they have not been open yet any time we walk by them.	Keep natural	Yes No	Everywhere	Yes Yes		13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig 4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
Repainting Crosswalks & Signage at crosswalks giving Pedestrians Priority everywhere!!! We’re making TC a walkable (Blue Zone) city	#1. The Dog Park (for dogs, Pickleball, & Tennis) #2. Sunset Beach (near Senior Center) #3. Boardman Lake Loop (North & South access points)	More water bottle refill stations & recycle receptacles on trails & courts (Pickleball, Tennis, Volleyball, etc.)	Easy / continuous access to TART trail along waterfront at East & West Bay	#1. Re-new / resurface Dog Park Pickleball Courts with Shade Features	No		Yes	Giving Pedestrians Priority at Crosswalks	7_-_Includes_Downtown_and_Midto

		I would like to see more native plants, shrubs, and trees used for landscaping in all of these areas. Incorporating food gardens and creating permaculture landscapes within our neighborhood parks is a great idea too. When it comes to beaches, making sure the landscaping is helping to maintain our water quality is paramount. Installing native riparian buffers on either side of the sandy beach is very important. This helps maintain shoreline integrity.	In the City's major parks, I would like to see more native plants, shrubs, and trees used for landscaping, as well as the addition of permaculture landscapes which include food gardens.	More native perennial gardens, food gardens, and more shade trees. Maintain our parks better by increasing park staff and funds to provide better care.	Yes	Fernwood and Central Neighborhoods	Yes			5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
Smooth out the Hannah Park Trail. The trail has a steep side slope near Union Street. The perimeter walk around the Open Space is not ADA accessible for folks in wheelchairs or pushing strollers. Also, the concrete slabs have settled in places setting up trip hazards.	All the West Bay Waterfront Parks. The high speed highway makes crossing the four to five lanes scary.	More trash cans and benches. Low level lighting to make the waterfront trail along West Bay inviting and safer during the evenings. Improve signage at Hickory Hills for the use of trails during ski season. Far too many walkers walking in the middle of the groomed section and rude when asked to walk off to side. Also many people with off leash dogs - not safe for skiers.	Maintain what there is now. Repair lights that are not operating, weed the gardens and replace or prune dead and declining trees. Add trash cans in more places and more benches and chairs to sit and enjoy our parks.	Reduce the amount of parking on the waterfront while also providing we'll lit and bold markings for pedestrian crosswalks along the waterfront highway.	Yes	Traverse Heights. South of 14th Street Neighborhood	Yes	Please maintain our parks better. Allocate funds and staffing to do so.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
										10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
Accessibility should be a balance. Accessibly equipment is expensive. So, although important and essential, I think concentrating on a couple key parks is the best use of resources.			The Civic Center could really use a pump track for bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades and scooters. Denver has many of these in their park system and they are always occupied and being used. Also, as many soccer fields and baseball fields sit empty most of the week, and require lots of maintenance (mowing/watering), the Civic Center skate parks is always occupied. And it's 20+ years old. It too needs maintenance. Skatepark design has dramatically changed in the last 20 years. So, a new skateboard park is essential in our park system. Whether it be on the east side or west side, a new action park would serve the community well and BE REGULARLY USED. New design/build firms to check out include: Evergreen Skateparks (built Harbor Springs and Frankfort) and Team Pain Skateparks.	1) Pump track 2) New skateboard park; improvements to existing one 3) live music venues	Yes	Preserve trees, clean air, respite, wildlife haven, more native plantings/less water-intensive grass (will future proof from climate change).	Yes	Broaden your understanding and vocabulary of "sports and recreation." It goes beyond team sports—skateboarding, bmx, cycling, frisbee golfing, etc. Many cities have embraced this concept and the park systems are well-used and thriving.	14_-_Includes_airport_area
		Doggie bag dispensers & waste receptacles Upgraded playground facilities More seating & picnic tables Please be wary of over developing natural landscapes as an unintended consequence if having money to spend. A beautiful view or natural landscapes isn't necessarily improved by pickle ball courts, picnic tables, or other 'installations'. Minor point but it would be nice if Ashton Park had a trash can. I pick up litter there all the time.	Upgraded restrooms Benches Tables Playground equipment		Yes	Places for people to sit, take a breather& enjoy the beauty of the outdoors. More pocket parks might encourage that. We don't need as many towering buildings hugging our sidewalks	Yes			2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
					Yes	Neighborhoods Greenbelts connecting neighborhood parks to TART system	Yes	Prioritize acquisition if parkland so as our area grows the ratio of common:private space is robust		6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
Bryant Park is difficult to access by bike. That intersection of Peninsula and Garfield is scary for cyclists. I wish there could be a hawk signal or even a stoplight at that intersection.	Bryant Park	There is a shortage of tennis courts now that pickleball has taken over. There are some at the schools but they are not all well maintaned F&M Park: Games to play for older kids. Many examples of other parks in Michigan providing games for teenagers and adults including year-round bags (or corn hole), a washer or ring toss, tic tac toe, etc. Open Space: one of the best things about the film festival was the free movie at night in the open space. It was a wonderful family night out and we saw a lot of our neighbors too. Is there an opportunity to do a few of these "movie nights" throughout the summer at the open space? It was always a wonderful community event.	I would prefer that the city's parks be kept relatively simple.	More/improved nature trails Tennis courts Restrooms	No		Yes			2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
							Yes			10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
	Meijer's Silverbrook Acres				Yes	The three lots on Cedar Street that border Kids Creek would make an incredible park. The area floods and preserving this land will be important for protecting riparian buffer areas and helping to mitigate flooding.	Yes			3_-_Includes_Kids_Creek_Neighbo
Strong need for SAFE Multiple crossings for Division street between Bay Street and Front Street, at least 2 crossings with Eagle lights.	Wags West, Darrow Park Slabtown east to West from neighborhoods.	Definite need for Down lighting, Lighting in line with the City Light ordinance at the pickleball courts on Cedar Street. AND downlighting the street lights at Cedar Street and 3rd Street and 2nd Streets. No where else in town is there this much overlighting in a neighborhood. It is obnoxious and destroys the night sky view.	Drinking fountains that also fill water bottles. Disposable plastic is an increasing health and environmental hazard.	Water fountains with water bottle refill stations, More open green space with more trees. Park benches to sit on.	Yes	Downtown, Central neighborhood, Traverse Heights neighborhood.	Yes	Yes. Please consider Less lighting, and Lighting less than 500 lumens (porch lighting) and pointing it Down. Leaving the night sky for star gazing.		2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh

		1. Brownbridge boardwalks need repair or replacement. 2. Shower or water spigot at Arbutus #5 to rinse off from lake. … and Bay front parks for health of water users.				Always!!! More trees = cleaner air, more oxygenated air, more birds, cooler temperatures, shade from an increasingly hotter sun, cleaner groundwater, calming spaces and healing. Green space offers a place to gather or sit in nature. You can only benefit by adding greenspace!!		More trees, less concrete and impermeable surfaces and No more blacktop.	
Kayak launch at Brownbridge difficult to put in and take out recommendations re above: Require all lighting to be fully compliant with BUG rated Darksky standards. Also add safer and ADA intersection at Munson&8th (I'm fully aware it's MDOT) to increase access to all the EBay parks from south of E.8th neighborhoods. Additional Suggestions: Manage all parks using nature-based infrastructure best practices toward support of stormwater management improvement and goals. Actively include the Cemetary as a park to activate and manage toward specific goals, e.g. managing for maximum tree canopy, and/or open green burial sites and pedestrian trails in undeveloped SE corner.	Clinch for parking access		Bathroom facilities open all year for snowshoers and XC skiers	Boardwalks Kayak launches/landings Water spigots			Yes	…Also, please enforce the dark sky promise of downward directed lighting and limited lumens!	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Include unpaved city alleys in list of parks to actively manage.	The ones I don't know about and the one's I can't take the bus to or from.								14_-_Includes_airport_area
Stop the county from creating Disney World at Camp Grellick and respect their neighbors and what BBQA is all about. This is not the place for events like weddings, parties, large disc golf and bike races etc. Amplified and loud noise should be prohibited, sound carries over water, and areas buffer free. Noise will disturb wildlife! Alcohol is a terrible idea, even 3 party vender or a class C licenses. The roads are winding, deer crossing and people walking and biking. Some one will get injured or die. The shooting range is terrible idea, it is not marked well, close to BBQA and the county is having it as it costs to clean it up. They are cheap and terrible neighbors!	I don't use those parks, I live on a lake and have 1400k of state land outside my door. I use BBQA a lot!	Does not pertain to me. We have good parks in EBCT. I hate going into TC!	Not my concern.	Not my concern keep BBQA quiet and a peaceful nature park!	No	No heat Islands! TC is heating up	Yes	Stop the county from Disney world at Camp Grellick!	I_live_outside_the_City_limits
					Yes		Yes		7_-_Includes_Downtown_and_Midto
					Yes	Fernwood is a huge neighborhood that would benefit from having a public green space (park). The neighborhood would also benefit from having sidewalks on all of it's streets so that people don't have to walk in the street like they do now. Having sidewalks that go to a green space/park within the neighborhood would be awesome!	Yes		5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
I would like to emphasize the need for more sidewalks along Garfield all the way down to south airport road. The east side of the Boardman trail has very few access points.	Bryant Park is easy to get across the street from and very difficult to get to on foot.	There is only one dog park in Traverse City and it is exceedingly small. We need a dog park in which dogs (and owners) can roam around. At least an acre, preferably a couple acres. And if not a large dog park, there should be dog parks on both sides of town - the Civic Center would be an excellent location for the east side.		Dog park(a)	Yes	Near the airport there is very little green space	Yes		10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
na	na	Improvements to Hickory Hills including mountain bike trails, expanded disc golf, sledding and snowmaking. continue to improve the ability to walk or bike to parks and open spaces. connection access from tart trail or sidewalks	Improvements to Hickory Hills including mountain bike trails, expanded disc golf, sledding and snowmaking.	Mountain Bike Trails - Hickory Hills Sledding - Hickory Hills Lighting - Hickory Hills	Yes	Central Neighborhood	Yes	Be consistent with previous parks master plans developed by the City, including the Hickory Hills Master Plan, Brown Bridge Quiet Area plans, and the 5-year Parks and Recreation plan which both included signficant public engagement and detailed analysis to develop park priorities. While this survey is one tool to gage public priorities, the results should not override years of planning and recommendations previously developed, but rather work in concert with those plans.	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh 9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
		At Clinch park there really needs to be hooks or a bench in the changing rooms and the doors don't have a handle on the inside and my kid pinched and badly bruised his hand trying to get the door closed. It's a small fix, but has a huge impact.	Trees, native plants and information about them. More natural amenities. Access to water fountains and water bottle fillers.	shade structures, picnic areas, restrooms, water access Pollination	Yes		Yes		I_live_outside_the_City_limits
Garbages for dog poop in more neighborhood parks (i believe Neptune by RPM records specifically) Tennis is being overrun. When looking to redevelop slabtown those two courts must stay and must be resurfaced. I wouldn't use them now because of safety but after resurfacing I would be there with views of the bay.	- Slabtown. No tennis.	More garbages, some way of enforcing non-motorized vehicles (my friend just had his leg amputated due to a collision with a one-wheeler on a bike) Resurfaced tennis courts. No city court was or now is acceptable for high level play. Except senior center but lost view of the bay and restricted.	Garbages, more pollinator or edible gardens Tennis. It's long standing history and continued growth will out live the pickleball fad.	Removal of trees of heaven as they are everywhere in Boardman and invasive More gsrbages Tennis. Needs to be accessible and defended from out of towners or part timers.	Yes	AT&T building?	Yes	More shade trees, more removal of invasive tree soecies	8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh.9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N 1_-_Includes_Morgan_Farms_Neigh

I've been asking about access to Dutmers (formerly Park A) park for almost a decade and still to this day have had no response from either the city or parks commissioners. There are 3 access points that are unmarked and inaccessible in real world. You can see them on the maps tho. It would be nice to maybe make some trails into and around the park. There are terrain challenges but it could be a more natural hiking park maybe. The brush needs to be cleared and some kind of markings for the easements. One of the easements is through NMC property and they have "no trespassing" signs at the entrance on Eastern Ave. I know people walk back there anyway, but it's not inviting. Another easement into Dutmers appears as though a private property owner might be building or has built on it, but it's hard to say without being clearly marked.	1. Dutmers due to it being overgrown and lack of clear markers where the easement entrances are 2. Bryant Park due to speeding and reckless driving on the streets around it. 3. Brown bridge as it's simply too far outside the city and not easily accessible by bicycle from the city	Get the glaring LED lights out, please, they are ruining the sunrise experience at Sunrise Peace Park and East Bay Park. Please do NOT put in lights like this at Bryant Park. We go to this park to see the aurora and it is already too bright. For lighting it should point downward and have a low/soft warm glow to it. That is actually best for our eyes too because it doesn't create shadow areas we can't see into because of the glare and brightness. Please, these are the type of lights we need in our parks: soft, warm, low, pointing downward only with the top and sides covered.							
		There used to be a trash bin at Jupiter park and then it was removed. I asked about getting one back in there years ago and no one responded to that. Still no trash bin there so people have been putting trash on the ground for years now.	I think we should take back and improve the city owned land on both ends of the bay. Agree with the need for more shade, especially at the open space. No one wants to hang out there because it's too sunny/hot and there's almost nowhere to sit.	Shade. Places to sit. Places to put trash.	Yes	The neighborhood off of 8th street. South of 8th between the cemetary and Munson Ave.	Yes	Shut down this airport. It is ruining our parks, particularly Hull park and the very nice trail around Boardman Lake. It's no longer a nice place to be because of roaring jets overhead every 5 minutes all day long.	9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N,14_-_Includes_airport_area
Please clean up deadwood and windowmakers in Ashton park. The park is not safe in some areas. Recent tree diseases have hit ash and beach tress hard. These need to be cleaned up for walker safety and also to prevent potential tinder for local wild fire that could consume local houses.		Hickory Hills - please add Flow Mountain Bike Trails. Invest in Hickory Hills to make this park a year round facility.	Hickory Hills - please add Flow Mountain Bike Trails. Invest in Hickory Hills to make this park a year round facility.	1) Hickory Hills - please add Flow Mountain Bike Trails. Invest in Hickory Hills to make this park a year round facility. 2) Local sledding hill. Non organized. Just a neighborhood sledding hill.	No		Yes	Invest to make Hickory Hills into a four season (year round) park. I do not support increased snow making at Hickory Hills. Ski hills are only use a few short months of the year.	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
More bike racks along the widened trail on Grandview parkway along the west section	Pickleball courts at slab town corner	Pickleball courts at slab town are in dire need of resurfacing. Parking is also impossible. Boardmen loop trail surface improvements due to the severe pavement buckling near oryana's . And sections of the tart trail are showing there age. And the new separation between bikes and pedestrians near clinch park has improved safety. Being this needs to be extended more through out clinch park.		Bike racks Pickleball courts Shade	No		No		1_-_Includes_Morgan_Farms_Neigh
	Clinch, Hannah and Bryant park			Signage , bike facilities and ada access	No		Yes		3_-_Includes_Kids_Creek_Neighbo
What good is it to make park improvements when the streets are in such bad condition you need a Humvee to get to them? Fix the streets first and worry about improving the parks later. Kids aren't using them like in the old days anyway.	Each and every one of them!						No		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
I am against using Brown Bridge Trust dollars for Park capital improvements and land acquisitions!!	I am against using Brown Bridge Trust dollars for Park Capital improvements and land acquisition! !! NO	I would like to see an initiative for proper land use to decrease bacteria pollution in the Bay Area and garbage disposal .	See above	1. Eliminate concrete paving and asphalt in city parks 2. Elimination of defacing public property such as graffiti 3. Land and water regulation to eliminate contamination and wildlife sanctuaries	Yes	Eco environmental balance Decrease in environmental pollution Ecology education and awareness Humanistic well being	No	Consider the expansion of Traverse City population and propose realistic legislation to reflect the conflict before us in population expansion and preserving a healthy environment For the natural world, its beauty and our responsibility to it.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
		We are seriously lacking in features to make parks, beaches and playgrounds accessible for wheelchairs, rollators and walkers. A fully ADA approved playground with adaptive/inclusive equipment for assistance devices like wheelchairs would be extraordinary!!							
		I also remember at one time the beach at Clinch Park had a special pathway made of a material like rubber that extended out onto the sand for wheelchairs. We need that available at more beaches.	Adaptive playground equipment.	Adaptive playground equipment.					
		Rotary Park would be even more attractive with a central fountain and benches, plus rotating art installations.	Wheelchair accessible pathways on beaches. Garden beds with pollinator habitat. Fountains and water features.	Wheelchair accessible pathways on beaches. Garden beds with pollinator habitat.					
		Please also consider native habitat, plantings and flowers that support pollinators!	Local, rotating art installations		Yes	The east side corridor that's heavily built with hotels, plus lower income areas like Traverse Heights,	Yes		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
					No		No	We have a lot of parks that are underutilized. Not because they lack amenities but because of interest or the lure of the lake is higher priority. Pass any of these parks and you will often see no use.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
		Rebuild long boardwalk through wetlands along north side of Boardman-Ottaway river below overlook off Ranch Rudolf Road.		New boardwalk along wetlands /North side of river in BBQA					8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh
	Hickory Forest		Shade providing facilities at Clinch Park				Yes	Not that I can think of	
		Rebuilding of steps in Hannah Park at entrance off Pine Street.	Easy access for handicapped people	Easier access to Hannah Park at Pine Street	No		Yes		7_-_Includes_Downtown_and_Midto
Getting to the parks with better roads. Repairs roads and trails.									4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
Water bottle filling stations.	Maintain the emptying of trash cans. The boardman river park by 6th street is a mess.				No		No		4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
	The American legion park feels unsafe	Landscaping, picnic tables, amphitheater, mowing regularly, walkways							4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
					Yes	It'd be really nice if any remaining plots of land that are in the downtown area like the area near JNS on front Street could be acquired as a park instead of letting it just sit waiting for a developer	Yes		6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor

Safer crosswalk to F&M park- make it a 4 way stop at State Street and Hope.		Upgrades and updates to F&M park. This is a highly visible and popular park for residents and visitors. It needs some updated climbing equipment and more activities for older children that still want to go to the park but are too old to play on the train and swings.	Bring back the summer movies in the open space. That was a highlight of the Film Festival and something that can easily be brought back a few times each summer. It's a wonderful community event for all ages.							8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh,10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
Bathrooms	Meijer's Silverbrook Acres, Highland Park, Dutmers Natural Area	Garbage and recycling cans	drinking fountains, recycling cans	Recycling and garbage cans	Yes	Downtown	Yes			3_-_Includes_Kids_Creek_Neighbo
		My biggest priority for all parks is to provide MORE TRASH CANS and MORE FREQUENT PICKUPS. I walk thru and past many parks throughout town with my dog on a daily basis and they all suffer from lack of enough trash cans and more frequent pickup. Civic Center, Bryant Park, F&M Park, Hull Park, Clinch Park, etc etc. Especially during the summer months and there should be Sunday pickup as well. I believe during the busiest of times which seems to be all summer these places should have 2x/day pickup. And then perhaps once a week the park should be walked to pickup the "stuff" that manages to not make it to the trash can like straws, plastic spoons, plastic lids, bottles, cans etc instead of just running it over with a mower or tearing it up with a weed whacker, I realize all of this is labor intensive but if we don't we just become another big metropolis with our trash ending up in our beautiful waters.	Trash Cans, Trash pickup More educational plaques and pictures that teach us about the native flora and fauna. The Boardman lake trail has some excellent examples of this. Thru this public education perhaps folks will grow to appreciate what we have and attempt to preserve and recreate in their own spaces.	Trash Cans, more pickups, Water fountains for humans and animals More educational opportunities about our natural world Figuring out a way to leave the Oak leaves for more natural fertilization and continued development of insects like caterpillars that birds so desperately need to feed young.	Yes	Not every open Lot in town has to have a building on it. Not every strip of land has to be filled with grass that needs to be cut. The Tart trail area over by Riverine condos and Oryana is an excellent example of wild spaces that need little maintenance and have much happening ecologically.	Yes	Take care of the things we have. Whether it be sidewalks, gardens beds, beaches, fences, furniture etc. Things look rundown after a summer or 2 of hard use ....revisiting these places and giving them a "new coat" of paint can breath new life into anything. EX: The garden beds in F&M park haven't been maintained in years. Perfect opportunity to beautify an area without to much expense. Could even be a garden club or a school or organization like SEEDS that might take on something like that. WE need to be sure our spaces remain clean and tidy and inviting for all.	10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
				If the fish pass project doesn't include park improvements upon completion that should be a future improvement to allow folks to access and view fish and river activity. Although not a park the parking lot at Parson Road and 3 Mile should be upgraded, improved and expanded to encourage this as a vital hub and access to Tart Trail. The wooded grounds between Parsons and the Tart has potential for access improvement.							
		Need for ongoing maintenance and cleaning of current park structures. Example, F&M park has nice gazebo that needs both maintenance and cleaning to encourage use. Just building or adding features without long term upkeep is a waste of funds.	Although boardwalks are nice they are often very slippery to use. Consider enhancements to allow access even when damp or wet.		No					5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
		Bathrooms and picnic tables	Bathroom facilities		Yes	More room for kids and dogs	Yes			4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
With regards to accessibility, step back and look at this not as a park-by-park issue, but rather systemically for all parks. Start first by improving access to all parks by creating greenways that facilitate getting to and using parks, via foot or bike. Think of it like "safe routes to school", but "safe routes to a park." Promoting foot and bike access to parks should be a top priority. Hickory hills is an island with not even a sidewalk to get to it. We need pedestrian connectivity (such as bike/foot trails). If this jewel is to be an urban haven, make it more accessible with a tart-like trail up Randolph. Encourage people to access parks by human power to reduce environmental impacts! We are more and more popular as a tourist destination with increased traffic and that makes getting to and from parks under human power increasingly dangerous. Making sure maps and internet websites are up to date with info/amenities.	GT Commons/Hickory Hills/Hickory Forest - this a great example of what could be a world class urban park system. However, the current "Oleson" connector trail forces users to navigate the increasingly busy cedar run and Barney corridor. Barney, in particular, is quite unsafe with minimal shoulders that are often washed out or eroded by heavy rains. Brown Bridge - The distance from town is obvious but getting there via bike along the Boardman River trail could be improved via improved way finding signage as well as a dedicated bike/foot path connecting the keystone/Beltner parking and Hoosier valley road. This would eliminate the dangerous biking/walking/running along Keystone road. West End/Volleyball beach at Oak St. - This is the main beach for the central neighborhood Distracted driving as well as seemingly unregulated speeding (I rarely see a police presence on either roadway) create unsafe access; especially with children.. Please consider a pedestrian bridge at Oak St/31.	HAWK signals at all crossings along 31 by the water or consider a pedestrian bridge at 31 and Oak St. Water fountains and bathrooms at parks. Consistent maintenance/clearing of downed trees. Often trees are down for a significant amount of time. Connecting parks by bike and foot paths (preferably natural surface). Adequate and maintained trash cans and recycling bins. Water bottle refilling stations.	Hickory Hills should have dedicated mountain bike trails as soon as possible. West end beach (at Oak or by the volleyball courts) should have paddle board/kayak storage for city residents to rent. Think of it like the clinch park marina but for a much wider socio economic audience. This would also encourage in town residents to travel to and from the beach by foot or bike, reducing traffic and environmental impact. I hope that some park-like improvements actually happen along the Boardman River north of Front Street downtown.	Mountain bike trails at Hickory Hills, Meadows, and Forest Human powered (foot and bike) connectivity between parks. Safe pedestrians crossings along 31	Yes	Traverse Heights Boardman Lake (no new development)	Yes Yes	A cohesive, interagency effort to connect parks with bike and foot trails. The more popular we become as a tourist destination the more unsafe and fraught riding roads to and from parks becomes. There is a significant biking, hiking, walking, and running community in TC that would dramatically benefit from increased connectivity between open space areas.	4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho 10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor

			More future shade trees along the TART especially Jupiter Gardens.							
	Hickory Hills because there is no sidewalk in Randolph and I would like not to have to drive there.	Longer hours for bathrooms. See other comment.	I am concerned about the plan to "improve" the riverbank downtown in partnership with a private developer. Just because that property does not have improvements for human use does not mean that it has no value. I would be concerned about the habitat loss if that gets		I am concerned about the trend towards increased development of existing private lots. More building footprint means fewer trees and green spaces. Some neighborhoods like Central have private properties with trees and yards serving a public benefit like mini parks even if you only get to enjoy the shade from the public sidewalk. If all of those lots got developed with increased footprint of structures, we would need public land to fill that need. Not sure there is opportunity in central but there is a corner lot for sale at 10th and Pine. Would make a great pocket park.					
Longer hours for city-owned bathrooms. Opening at 7 or later, when staff get there, is too late for early morning runners and walkers. Could we invest in electronic locks that can be programmed to open at a certain time remotely?	Hull Park, especially the boardwalk on north end of lake, and GT Commons because there are trails where I feel unsafe walking, running, or cycling because people are living there or hanging out, smoking, drinking, doing drugs, vomiting etc	More nature trails and less manicured landscapes that require costly upkeep. Trees would make great shade structure in parks with a lot of lawn Would love to see some set aside for dark skies as much as possible and where it can be done safely.	developed. I have seen river otters and other wildlife in that area. If we harden all of the riverbank and remove native vegetation (I know there are invasive species there but it's better than a bed of mulch with a few landscaped plants), where will all the animals live?!	Shade trees Bathroom access and availability Safety of existing spaces	Yes					4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
I agree with Bryant Park		more pickleball activities more for kids at all parks including neighborhood parks		pickleball basketball hoops						9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
The crossing of TART at Woodmere to access the Loop and Hull is hard	Bryant is the hardest		Better basketball hoops, don't like double rimmed basketball hoops	playground equipment	No		Yes			4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
Stairs from W 6th Street leading down to Hannah Park need replacing.		Stairs from W 6th Street leading down to Hannah Park need replacing.					Yes			6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
Hannah-Lay, stairs	Hannah-Lay	Benches, picnic tables	Benches		No		Yes	Waste receptacles		2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
		All of the above			No		Yes			
				SkiTrails that connect Hickory Hills to Hickory Meadows with out crossing a parking lot or road. Improved early season snow making and trail grooming, so skiers can use and access the good snow we have at Hickory Hills and surrounding parks.						
Hickory Hills has parking, but the Hickory Meadows and Hickory Forest should add more Parking t help take the pressure off of Hickory Hills , where most meadows and Forest users seem to park.		Better snow making and early season system of making and maintaining a small area to ski on; many Traverse City skiers are traveling and hour or more to ski on small manmade loops that are better maintained for early season skiing. If little Forbush corners can do it in Frederick MI, we should be able to in TC MI.	Better Early season snowmaking and trail grooming that skiers can rely on ; which would give them reasons to want a season pass. Snowmaking and general ongoing maintenance improvements to Hickory Hills, including upgrading lights on slopes.	Reclaim ski trails that are deteriorating do to erosion and dead trees blocking trails where width and smooth terrain are needed on Hickory Hills Nordic trails.		Well built sustainable ski and bike trails are an asset for or community users as well as a draw for our tourism industry ; other communities that have good trail systems are reaping the benefits for there own community members and are draw many tourists, many from Traverse City	No	We need good equipment and backup plans in the case of a breakdown to enable our trail groomers and volunteer groomers to do a good job for our trail users. The season is short, so we cannot afford to be caught unprepared when good snow is available on our Hickory Hills Trails.		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
		Public bathrooms and water fountains along Tart path. Accessible to walk or bike safely to more parks and beaches from Slabtown/Central neighborhood.	Safer crossings at Grandview Parkway, and more safe bike paths. Riding with my family is challenging when cars yell not to ride even in designated bike lanes.	Hickory Hills snowmaking for longer opening. And fund the Nordic grooming instead of relying on a few key volunteers.		Central neighborhood access to park and upgraded playgrounds. Also, is there any drainage in the warehouse district area? It seems there is all cement and no green space or dirt at all.				4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
	West end beach				Yes		Yes	Fire stations are on park land, use money to help build new fire stations		11_-_Includes_Base_of_Old_Missi
		east bay park needs some work on the boat launch and the sand they have been removing	Retaining wall at clinch park. Paths eroding by merchie bridge. Improve landscaping by merchie bridge		No		No			10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
			F&M park basketball court needs to be made into a pickle-ball court with a retractable net so all ages are able to use courts in multiple ways.	Weekly mowing.			Yes			2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
Darrow park will be overrun when Master Plan Transitional Neighborhood gets implemented		Don't add splash pads	Don't add splash pads	Don't add splash pads			Yes	Master Plan increased density objective will downgrade the quality of parks		
Bike and pedestrian safe crossings and bike parking		Invasive plant removal along paths								
ADA accessible paths	Hannah park	Planting of native species along paths	Same as above	Invasive plants control/ Native plant planting						6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
Better marked trailheads and improved path quality	Traverse city commons	Stairs repair	Drinking water /fountains	Marked trailheads	No		Yes	Proposal to stop planting non-native trees along streets or in parks		
		Art in the Park(s). I am not in favor and would not vote for "water features" (splash pads, fountains, water playgrounds. Water is a precious resource not for playgrounds.		Bathroom facilities, parking, ADA access.						8_-_Includes_Boardman_Neighborh
Public bathrooms							Yes			
Clear signage/enforcement on E. 8 St. bike path/sidewalk..										4_-_Includes_Central_Neighborho
More attractive substitute for yellow post in Hanna Park entrance at Union/6		Pedestrian access off Red Drive to GT Commons Trail			Yes	South half of Central Neighborhood				13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig
					No		No			
We've lived here since November and have greatly enjoyed getting to know Traverse City's parks. Regarding the "What We've Heard Priorities," any improvement to lighting should consider using lighting techniques that minimize unnecessary light pollution. In particular, Hickory Hills is a wonderful place for star gazing on clear nights. If lighting is to be added, please consider adding only minimal "dark-sky" approved lighting to it's parking areas with downward facing hoods to improve safety while preserving its unique nature as a dark-sky refuge.		Rotary Park seems like a blank-slate "diamond-in-the-rough" that might be transformed in any number of ways. Paths and low-maintenance gardens could wend around dedicated spaces for outdoor art, perhaps sculptures displayed on a rotating basis.		As prosaic as it may seem, an evaluation of trash-can deployment and utilization in relation to parks, sidewalks, and public paths would be helpful. Public spaces that lack trash cans accumulate litter.			Yes			2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
The condition of Randolph St. from Madison west to the park entrance. (Hickory Hills, Forest and Meadows) this includes additional parking for all 3 properties. The Joint Rec-Authority needs to add additional parking for the Meadows Property along Randolph St.	Hickory Hills									I_live_outside_the_City_limits

		I would love to see playground equipment near Oryana 10th - by the fitness park, in the meadow to the north of the fitness park, or down the hill along the trail.	Wheelchair swings in a few locations would be really great!	Wheelchair swings, food truck hookups, and splinter-free seating			Yes		6_-_Includes_Old_Towne_Neighbor
More handicap parking spots	Except for the renovated civic center There isn't enough parking in parks	Stop turning so many courts from tennis to Pickleball.	More bathrooms available at civic center	Handicap parking Stop cutting down trees More parking at Bryant	No		Yes	Remember we are a designated tree city so leave the trees alone	13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig
Restrooms. Add a cross walk with pedestrian triggered flashing lights like ones on 8th street to cross Cass at 16th street to get to the Boardman river trail.		Restrooms and water stations.					Yes		9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
					Yes	Fernwood area community garden space	Yes		5_-_Includes_Fernwood_Neighborh
		Hickory Hills Mountain Biking flow trails. (Similar to Palmer Woods)	Hickory Hills Mountain Biking flow trails. (Similar to Palmer Woods)	Hickory Hills Mountain Biking flow trails. (Similar to Palmer Woods) 7th	No		No	Hickory Hills Mountain Biking flow trails. (Similar to Palmer Woods)	2_-_Includes_Slabtown_Neighborh
The use of electric bikes. They are everywhere on the Trail and its overcrowded with them and many time dangerous. They are a motorized vehicle and should not be allowed on trails		No electric bikes!!!		Get rid of electric bikes on the trails. They are taking over.					10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
		when building or improving pickleball courts, please put sound abatement measures in place. I live very close to the new Senior Center pickleball courts. They are just starting to be used and the noise is very annoying - high pitched cracks which have been shown to bother people a lot more than low pitched traffic and tennis court noise.	more public restrooms				Yes		10_-_Includes_Oak_Park_Neighbor
Bryant Park needs the most attention			Another dog park on East side of town and one not so prone to flooding and mud.						13_-_Includes_Indian_Woods_Neig
Accessing Hull Park/The Loop, the TART crossing is very difficult at Woodmere. The right of way is too wide, and the RRFB is not at standard height, should be higher so it is more visible to motorists	Bryant Hull from Woodmere	A swing or something simple to Triangle Park	The interior of the restrooms at Bryant and East Bay are in rough shape. Sledding hill to Hickory or another park that is free Ice Skating Rink at Rotary Square	Sledding hills Ice Skating Rink Pickball and tennis courts	No		Yes		9_-_Includes_Traverse_Heights_N
Plant more trees in all parks to create access to shade. Less hard surfaces so they don't create heat sinks. Bump outs at all crossings around public parks, especially neighborhood parks.	For shade access; Hull, Clancy and Open Space. For heat sinks; Indian woods, Arbutus Court and Boon street park. For bump outs; F&M park, Darrow Park, East Bay Park.	Could a playground fit in a downtown park like American Legion park? Is there a space where a playground could be added for the neighbors near 14th street.	Bathrooms facilities along the Boardman loop is something runners have told me are needed. Bathrooms in more parks in general. Is there an opportunity to work with MDOT to add a playground in the area that has been used as a skate park near the Lake Street Boardman trailhead?	Trees, bump outs and less hard surface that creates heat sinks.	Yes	Traverse Heights neighborhood. I understand there are a few public parks like Arbutus and Boon but they are heavy with concrete and as climate change increases temperatures these areas will get hotter.	Yes	I believe there is an opportunity to create a more official short trail in the wooded area along the south-east corner of the cemetery.	12_-_Include_Triangle_Neighborh
Mobi mats to the shorelines would be lovely	Bryant Park is the only one I can thing of that is tough to navigate	fitness stations would be amazing in all parks which have playground equipment	water bottle filling stations, bike repair stations	access to restrooms (early & late, especially) , access to drinking water, access to shade	No		Yes		3_-_Includes_Kids_Creek_Neighbo