



GRESHAMPARKS
2035

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Parks Task Force Meeting #1

April 30, 2024

PARKS RECREATION TRAILS & NATURAL AREAS

Welcome!

Meeting Purpose

01

Discuss goals for
the planning
process

02

Describe the
proposed outcomes
and schedule

03

Review work
conducted to date
and talk about Task
Force engagement

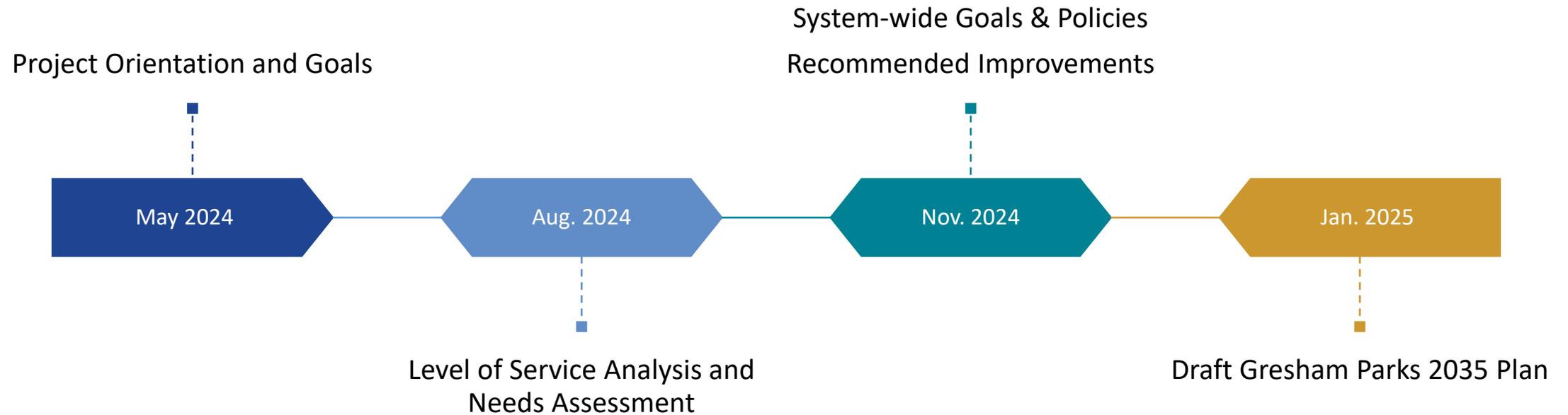
Agenda

6:00 PM	Welcome
6:10 PM	Parks Task Force (PTF) Role
6:20 PM	Project Overview and Schedule
6:30 PM	Status Report and Review
6:55 PM	Discussion of Planning Goals and Priorities
7:45 PM	Next Steps
8:00 PM	Adjourn

Parks Task Force Role

- Attend PTF meetings
- Provide a variety of perspectives, both individual and collective to ensure all voices are heard
- Assist in guiding project goals and recommendations
- Help promote the planning process and encourage others to participate and provide ideas and feedback
- Assist in identifying community needs
- Review and comment on project documents
- Participate in a respectful, constructive, and solution-oriented ways

Anticipated PTF Meeting Schedule



Community Engagement Goals

- Build on previous work
- Uplift communities and voices that have been historically excluded and/or underserved
- Leverage local networks and existing community engagement efforts
- Ensure an accessible planning process
- Ensure accountability
- Build long-term capacity for civic engagement
- Set realistic expectations
- Improve the community's understanding of the park system

Project Timeline & Milestones



Project Building Blocks



Core Values and Strategies Identified by PRCAG



2013 Parks System Plan and Other Planning Policies & Efforts



Trust for Public Land Financial Analysis



Concept Plans for Undeveloped Sites by Juncus Studio



Existing Inventory Info & GIS Data



Relationships with Community Groups & Partners



Capital Improvement Projects Underway

Status Report & Review: Completed Tasks



Review of
Background
Materials



Community
Engagement Goals



Project Branding



Parks Tour and Site
Visits



Project Webpage



Updated Inventory
and Map of Existing
System

Status Report & Review: In Progress

Baseline
Funding
Analysis

Summary of
Existing
Programs

Operations and
Maintenance
Analysis

Accessibility
Site Visits and
Evaluations

Targeted
Engagement
Meetings

Planning Process Questions & Comments?

System Evaluation – Demographics

Gresham has an aging population

A quarter of Gresham's population is under 20 years old

Gresham has a high percent of Latino residents and immigrants.

FIGURE 2-1: FORECAST OF POPULATION GROWTH, GRESHAM CITY LIMITS, 2020 TO 2050

113,409 Residents in 2020

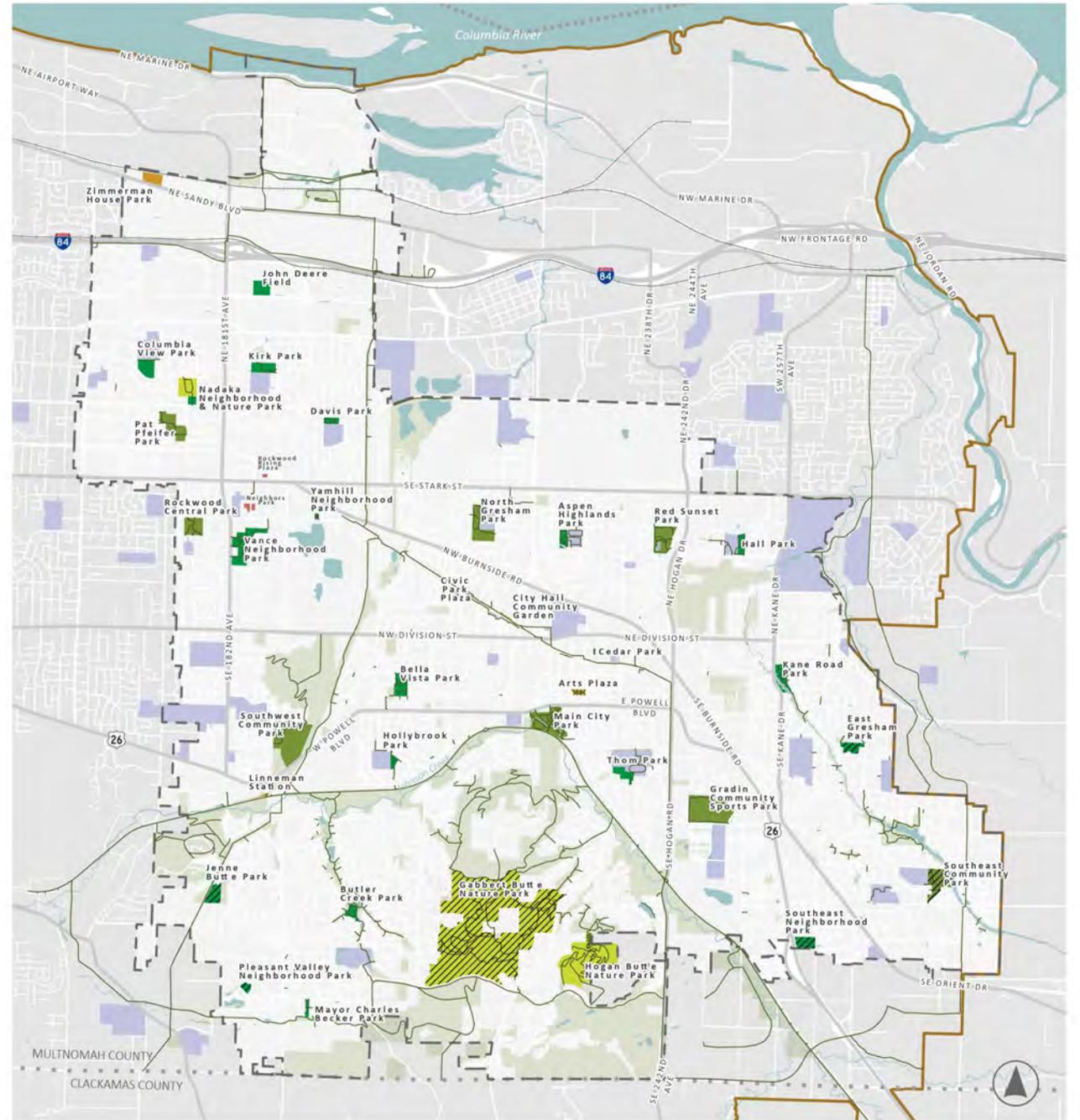
122,511 Residents in 2050

9,102 New Residents 2020-2050

8% Increase, 0.26% AAGR

SOURCE: GRESHAM HOUSING CAPACITY ANALYSIS, METRO DISTRIBUTED

System Evaluation – Facilities Map



System Evaluation – Parkland Inventory

Park Classification	Number	Total Acres
Community Parks	7	141.0
Neighborhood Parks	20	103.6
Special Use Area	4	8.8
Trails & Paths	6	60.9
Nature Parks	3	271.8
Non-City Owned or Managed Facilities	2	3.4
Open Space and Conservation Areas	--	676.1



System Evaluation – Recreation Facilities

Park Classification	Number
Basketball courts	7
Futsal courts	3
Soccer fields	14
Baseball/softball fields	12
Skateboard areas	2
Picnic shelters or pavilions	2
Playgrounds	5
Community gardens	15



System Evaluation – Facilities Condition

- Parks are generally well-maintained, with amenities in fair to good condition
- Significant amount of undeveloped parkland
- There are some maintenance challenges & natural hazards
- ADA accessibility challenges also exist
- Future development and maintenance considerations are key to future planning



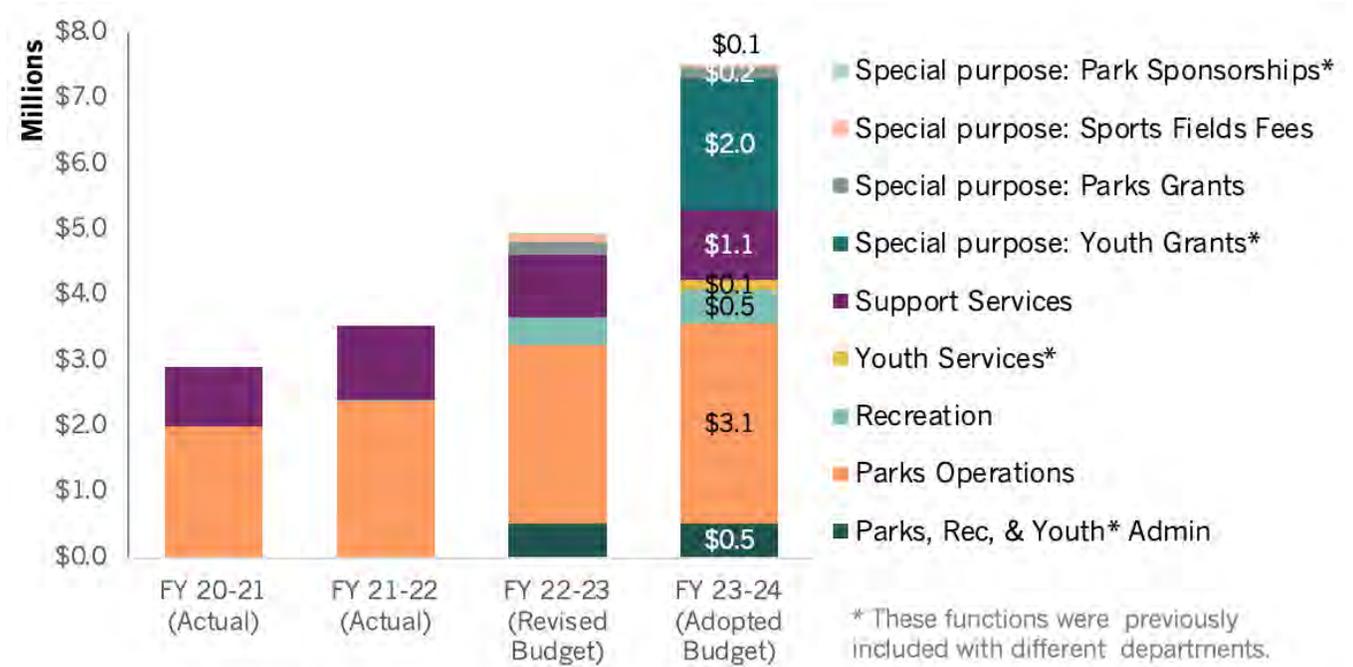
System Evaluation – Programming & Partnerships

- Minimal direct programming except Youth Services activities
- Numerous community partnerships
 - Community gardens
 - Sports leagues
 - Neighborhood & community events
 - Small group activities
 - Senior center activities
 - School district facilities
- Several partner facilities in City parks



System Evaluation – Funding

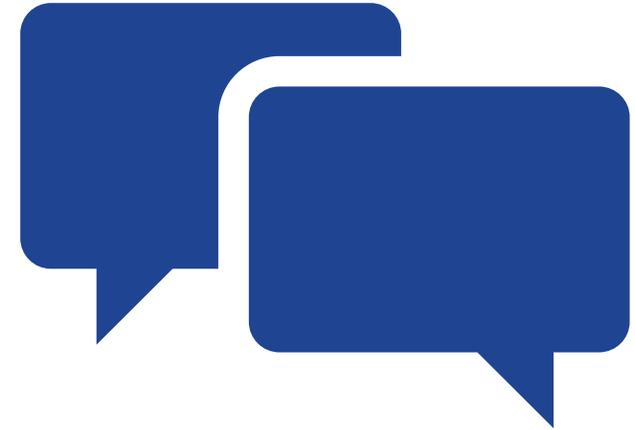
- The City faces serious funding constraints for parks & recreation
- Expenditures have continued to increase
- The City has obtained local, regional & state grants to fund new facilities
- Additional stable funding sources will be needed to meet future goals & needs



*Questions & Comments
about Initial
Observations?*

Discussion Questions

1. What do you like or value most about Gresham's park system?
2. Which facilities do you visit most often?



Discussion Questions

1. Are there specific geographic areas or populations that are currently underserved by park and recreation facilities or services?
2. Are there specific types of facilities or amenities that you think are lacking overall or in specific areas?



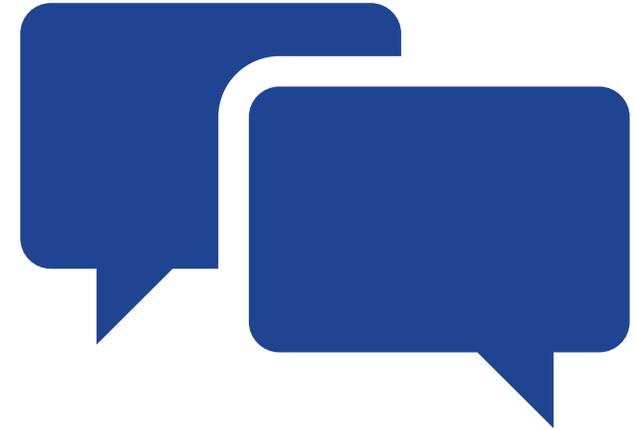
Discussion Questions

1. What are your overarching goals for enhancing the park system?
2. Recognizing that the City may not be able to address all needs with available resources, what are your top funding priorities?



Discussion Questions

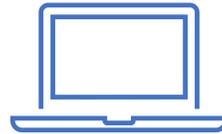
1. Who do you consider to be some of the most important partners in helping deliver recreation programs and activities in Gresham?



Next Steps: Community Engagement



Targeted Engagement Meetings (May)
Spanish, Russian, & Ukrainian language speaker focus groups



Online Community Survey (Summer)



Pop-up Events in Parks (Summer)

Next Steps: Technical Analysis



OPERATIONS AND
MAINTENANCE
ASSESSMENT



LEVEL OF SERVICE
ANALYSIS AND EQUITY
MAPPING



SYSTEMWIDE GOALS AND
POLICIES



PARK AND FACILITY
RECOMMENDATIONS

Next PTF Meeting

- August/September 2024
 - Needs Assessment and Level of Service Analysis

Thank you!