

## PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

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TO: Parks and Recreation Committee

FROM: Dean R. Gazza

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RE: Action Item: Request to Approve Adoption of the City of Appleton

Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2019-2023

The current Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) was last updated in 2009. A CORP is a formal document designed to assist the City of Appleton in the development of park and open space amenities that will satisfy the needs of the citizens. Good planning is essential in making sure these services are provided in an efficient and effective manner.

This report establishes City goals and objectives. It also provides information about the social and physical characteristics of the City of Appleton. These characteristics, when applied according to the guidelines set by the National Recreation and Park Association, provide a basis for understanding open space and recreation needs in the City of Appleton.

The approval of this plan by the Parks and Recreation Committee, Common Council, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources will enable the City of Appleton to pursue various sources of Federal and State funding.

The Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Management Department recommends the adoption of the proposed Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Please contact me at 832-5572 or at <u>dean.gazza@appleton.org</u> with any questions.