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Glossary

- **Action Plan**: As used in this report, the term *Action Plan* describes an orderly year-by-year sequence over 12 years in which to implement facilities improvements and conduct studies proposed in the Recommendations section of this report.

- **Active Recreation**: Active recreation generally involves participating in some form of strenuous, non-work physical activity either as an individual or member of a team. A few popular examples include aerobics, baseball, basketball, fitness/weight training, horse-riding, ice-skating, in-line skating, jogging/running, skateboarding, skiing, softball, swimming, tennis, and volleyball.

- **ADA**: Americans with Disabilities Act; enacted by Congress in 1992. As it pertains to public park and recreation facilities and programs, ADA establishes the legal responsibilities of municipalities to provide a reasonable level of accessibility to parks and recreation programs for individuals with varying levels of ability.

- **Casual Play/Pick-up Games**: Games or other competitive activities put together by the individuals or members of self-organized teams. They are not scheduled or operated by the Parks and Recreation Department or any other organization, are not part of a formal league or tournament, and usually involve only one game.

- **Chalco Urbanized Area**: A term used in the demographics section of this report to refer to the City of La Vista’s Future Growth and Development Area as defined in the *La Vista Comprehensive Development Plan*. The Chalco Urbanized Area extends west from 144th Street to 168th Street between Harrison Street and the quarter section line one-half mile south of Giles Road.

- **Community Park**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a park 30 to 50 acres in size that provides for active and passive recreational needs of several neighborhoods. A community park typically serves an area within a 1- to 3-mile radius of the park and should be accessible by automobile and/or public transit. It should allow for group activities and other recreational opportunities not feasible at the neighborhood level.

- **Community Scan**: As used in this report, the term *Community Scan* describes a survey taken at various public input meetings to determine the quality of local recreation activities available in La Vista. The scan also asked for preferred means of notifications about recreation activities, public financing mechanisms for recreation, and priorities.

- **Comprehensive Development Plan**: The Comprehensive Plan of La Vista, Nebraska as adopted by the City Council, setting forth policies for the present and foreseeable future community welfare as a whole and meeting the purposes and requirements set forth in Section 19-903, R.R.S. 1943, as the same may, from time-to-time, be amended.
• **Condition & Capacity Report**: As used in this report, the term *Condition & Capacity Report* describes the consultant assessment of fifteen physical attributes of each municipal park/recreation facility, and whether the physical attributes are under-, at-, or over-capacity. The Condition & Capacity Report also gives a brief narrative description of the park/recreation facility on a map, and locates it on a map.

• **Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ)**: The area beyond the corporate limits, in which the City has been granted the powers by the State to exercise zoning and building regulations and is exercising such powers. La Vista’s ETJ includes the area west of the current corporate limits to 144th Street between Harrison Street and one-half mile south of Giles Road.

• **Focus Meeting**: As used in this report, the term *Focus Meeting* describes public input meetings directed at specific stakeholder groups and individuals, as well as the general public. At these meetings participants were invited to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the park and recreation system, make recommendations concerning improvements, and engage in a mapping exercise to determine where potential park and recreation facilities might be located.

• **Future Growth & Development Area**: A term from the Future Land Use section of the *La Vista Comprehensive Development Plan*. It is the area bounded on the east by 144th Street, on the north by Harrison Street, on the west by 168th Street, and on the south by the quarter-section line one-half mile south of Giles Road. This area is a predetermined area in which La Vista will grow.

• **Green Street**: As used in this report, the term *Green Street* defines through streets designed to extend a park-like appearance through the city and serve to create an interconnected network of parks, recreation areas, schools, and other civic facilities. Green Streets should be designed to 1) have one or more rows of trees along both sides of the roadway, either in the right-of-way or in adjacent private property; 2) have space for wide sidewalks or off-street recreation trails on one or both sides of the roadway; and 3) have no overhead utility wires located within the mature growth area of overstory trees.

• **Greenway**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a natural or man-made corridors that tie park system component together to form a cohesive park environment. Greenways are linear, generally following suitable natural resource areas such as streams or man-made areas such as abandoned railroad beds, safe power line rights-of-way, and pipeline easements. Greenways are frequently used as recreation trail routes.

• **Land Preservation**: As used in this report, the term *Land Preservation* involves preservation of selected current open space areas through use of zoning regulations, agreements with property owners to refrain from development, floodplain
development regulation, and other forms of land use restrictions available to the City of La Vista, including outright purchase if necessary.

- **Large Urban Park**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as being large enough to accommodate the desired uses, generally a minimum of 50 acres, with 75 acres or more being optimal. It serves a broader purpose than a community park and is used when community and neighborhood parks are not adequate to serve the needs of a community. Its focus is on meeting community-based recreational needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.

- **Mini Park**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a small park, usually 2500 sq. ft. to approximately 2.5 acres in size. Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities. Serves the immediate neighborhood within a ¼ mile walking distance.

- **Mission Statement**: A Mission Statement is a broad statement of the purpose of an organization as set out by its own members or their representatives. The Mission Statement for the City of La Vista park and recreation system was determined by the Steering Committee, and appears on page 2-2 of this report.

- **Natural Resource Area**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as lands set aside for preservation of significant natural resources, remnant landscapes, open space, and visual aesthetics/buffering.

- **Neighborhood Park**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a park 5 to 10 acres in size. Serves as the recreational focus of the neighborhood, offering a balance of active and passive recreation activities to neighborhood residents. Serves the neighborhood within a ½ mile walking distance.

- **NRPA Guidelines**: Guidelines established by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) to describe various park and recreation facilities, the types of recreation activities recommended for each type of park, and the geographic areas served by each type of park. The guidelines are intended to assist communities plan for their current and future recreational needs. The NRPA has also established guidelines to help determine the number and type of specific recreation facilities -- e.g. sports fields and courts and recreation trails -- needed in a community’s park system to satisfy its current and future active recreational needs.

- **Park Master Plan**: As used in this report, a *Park Master Plan* is a plan for a specific park or recreation facility, drawn to scale, that illustrates proposed development of that facility. A master plan should include all major physical components of the park or recreation facility, arranged in a functional and aesthetically pleasing manner to take advantage of its unique natural features and relate to surrounding existing or future development. A master plan should also accommodate all uses envisioned for it as outlined by a Steering Committee or other representatives of the City.
• **Park User Survey**: As used in the report, the term *Park User Survey* refers to a survey taken in conjunction with the various public input meetings to elicit opinions about the quality of the La Vista public parks and recreation facilities and programs.

• **Passive Recreation**: Passive recreation generally encompasses the less intensive range of outdoor activities. It is often compatible with preserving natural resource functions such as wildlife habitat and floodplain protection. Examples include activities such as hiking, walking, or strolling on internal park trails; picnicking; “people-watching” at public open spaces; strolling through flower gardens; and nature/scenic view observation.

• **Programmed/Organized Play**: Formal, competitive, individual or team activities, operated and scheduled by a Parks and Recreation Department or other recreation organization, often as part of a league.

• **School-Park**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a site that accommodates a public park and public school at the same location to fulfill the space requirements for a neighborhood, community or special use park, or a sports complex. School-parks usually work best with formal or informal agreements between the municipal parks department and the school district to manage ownership, scheduling, maintenance, and other issues.

• **Special Use Facility**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a park and recreation facility geared toward single-purpose use. Examples include historic/cultural/social sites, golf courses, and aquatic parks.

• **Sports Complex**: Defined by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a public recreation facility where heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities are consolidated at a larger site strategically located in the community. This allows economies of scale and higher quality facilities, improved management, scheduling, control of facility use, and reduction of negative impacts to neighborhood and community parks.

• **Stakeholder**: A group or individual who can effect, or is affected by, the achievement of the organization’s mission. Examples include managers, employees, policy makers, suppliers, vendors, citizens, neighborhood residents, community groups, and organized recreational groups.

• **Steering Committee**: The committee comprised of city staff, elected officials, and La Vista residents that guided the process leading to the completion of the *La Vista Park and Recreation Master Plan*.

• **Swimming Pool Survey**: As used in this report, the term *Swimming Pool Survey* describes the survey of La Vista Municipal Pool users conducted on July 30, 2002. See Appendix 4-J.
**APOLLO PARK**

**Classification:** Mini-Park

**Location:** 72nd St. and Park View Blvd.

**Total Acres:** 2.2 acres

**Definition:**

**Mini-Park:** Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

**Park Vicinity Map:**

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: APOLLO PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

### Facility:
APOLLO PARK  

### Classification:
Mini-Park

### Rating Summary
- **Condition:** Poor ⬜ Fair ⬜ Good ⬜  
- **Capacity:** Under ⬜ At ⬜ Over ⬜

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### Notes
- Turf. Evergreen and deciduous trees throughout.  
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  Level area.  
  None.  
  None.  
  Concrete walks throughout.  
  Structure, swings, climber, bouncer, slider.  
  Shelter.  
  Picnic tables, benches, grills.  
  Drinking fountain  
  None.  
  Seven stalls at bottom of hill.  
  None.  
  Wood park sign.

### Comments:
Apollo Park is a mini-park located on the east side of La Vista (west of 72nd Street, north of Park View Boulevard, east of Terry Drive, and south of Lillian Avenue). It was named to honor the Apollo space program and astronauts. There are three access points to the park. The main entrance to the park is located on Park View Boulevard, just west of 72nd Street. At this entrance, there is a paved parking lot with space for seven cars (including three handicap accessible spaces). The other two entrances provide pedestrian access to the park. These access points are located on Park View Boulevard just east of Diane Court and on Lillian Avenue south of James Avenue.

The park is benched into a south-facing slope, creating two main level areas. The access point from Park View Boulevard and 72nd Street connects to the trail that heads northwest up the hill to connect to the first level area. The shelter and an open area are located on this level. The second level area contains miscellaneous play equipment, including swings, slide, globe climber, quad bouncer, and a hand-slider toy. From the upper part of the park, views are provided to the south and west. There are also opportunities for sledding.

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CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility:      APOLLO PARK
Classification:    Mini-Park

Comments: continued

The Park is located within the utility corridor that runs through this section of town. Surrounding the park are residential areas. Around the perimeter there are private 4-feet high chain link fences, with some having gates. Due to the residential properties, the park is largely hidden from view of the streets except for the access points. There are few deciduous and evergreen trees planted informally primarily around the perimeter of the park, and the park would benefit from additional plantings.

Overall, this park is in good condition.
ARDMORE PARK

Classification: Mini-Park

Location: 69th Street and Michelle Avenue

Total Acres: 1.5 acres

Definition:

Mini-Park: Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: ARDMORE PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** ARDMORE PARK  
**Classification:** Mini-Park

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### Comments:
Ardmore Park is located on a rectangular tract of land on the east side of La Vista. It is named after the surrounding subdivision. The park is located in a newer area of the city. The mini-park is open to three sides, providing street frontage at Michelle Avenue, 69th Street, and 68th Street.

The play equipment is located near the center of the park. The play equipment appears new and in good condition. There are two separate play structures, two swing sets, and three bouncers. There is an open, level play area. The area of the play equipment and shelter has been nicely designed and landscaped. Trees line the seating area/play area, shrubs are located at the south entrance, and deciduous and evergreen trees are planted informally primarily at the perimeter of the park.

A trail system/walking path throughout the park provides access into and through the park from all four corners. These walks are ADA accessible. These walks also double as neighborhood sidewalks. The park has no off-street parking or restroom facilities.

Ardmore Park is fairly new and overall is in good condition.
CAMENZIND PARK

Classification:  Mini-Park

Location:  7120 Wood Lane Drive

Total Acres:  2.2 acres

Definition:

Mini-Park:  Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CAMENZIND PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** CAMENZIND PARK  
**Classification:** Mini-Park  

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**Comments:** The 2.2 acre Camenzind Park is located along Wood Lane Drive, between South Glenview Drive and Wilbur Street. It is named in honor of the family who donated land for the park. It is located on an irregular-shaped tract of land on what appears to be the highest point in the neighborhood. The park backs to residential lots at all sides except for the one facing Wood Lane Drive. Most residential lots have a 4-foot chain link fence separating the back yards and the park. A few lots have gates. Some neighbors have also planted hedges to provide additional separation.

From the street frontage, there is a slight rise up from the street into the park. The interior of the park is mostly level, with a slight slope down to the southwest corner. There are mature deciduous trees planted in formal rows in the interior of the park and around the play equipment at the center of the park. There are two evergreen trees and a grove of river birch southwest of the shelter.

Amenities in the park include a ½ court concrete basketball court, play structure, three swing sets, a quad bouncer, and merry-go-round. The metal picnic shelter appears to be in good condition; its 1950s-60s streamline modern design is interesting and offers evidence of when the park and neighborhood were developed.

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CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CAMENZIND PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Comments: continued
There is a sidewalk in the park along Wood Lane Drive, but this is the only walk in the park. The park is not handicapped accessible and has no off-street parking. It also lack convenient access from adjoining neighborhoods south and west of it.

The park layout could be reorganized to include a small open play area by relocating the play equipment from the center to the perimeter.
CENTRAL PARK (COMMUNITY PARK)

Classification: Community Park

Location: Edgewood Boulevard and Valley Road

Total Acres: 19.5 acres

Definition:

Community Park: Provides for active and passive recreational needs of several neighborhoods on a 30 to 100 acre site that is easily accessible by automobile or public transit. This category allows for group activities and other recreational opportunities not feasible at the neighborhood park level.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CENTRAL PARK (COMMUNITY PARK)
Classification: Community Park

Park Photos:
# CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** CENTRAL PARK  
**Classification:** Community Park

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**Comments:** Central Park is a 21.4-acre park located southwest of Park View Boulevard and is split by Edgewood Boulevard. The larger portion of the park, on the west side of Edgewood Boulevard, covers 19.5 acres and is devoted to community park use. It is evenly divided between low, level ground flanking a narrow, channelized, open drainageway, and a wooded hillside to the south that forms the valley wall. (The smaller portion on the east side of Edgewood Boulevard serves as a mini-park and is discussed in a separate Condition and Capacity Report. It is 1.9 acres in size.)

The community park portion of the park has street frontage along Edgewood Boulevard, where vehicular access is provided, and along Park View Boulevard, where a pedestrian access has been provided by reserving three residential lots as a park entrance. Two pedestrian access points are also provided to the adjoining neighborhood southwest of the park. La Vista Falls Municipal Golf Course forms the northern edge of Central Park, and the back yards of residences form the northeast and southwest park boundaries. The drainageway extends the full length of the northeast edge of the park, separating it from adjoining residences facing Park View Boulevard beyond the drainageway.

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CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CENTRAL PARK
Classification: Community Park

Comments: continued
Deciduous and evergreen trees are planted informally throughout the park, and there is an extensive wooded area of mature native hardwood trees on the hill slope in the center of the park.

A loop road enters the park from Edgewood Boulevard through a pair of brick gate walls. The road meanders through the center of the park. Along it are several pull-off areas for head-in parking, providing approximately 45 parking stalls. The paved road and parking areas are lined with wood bollards. The road is in poor condition and needs to be resurfaced. (The city’s current 1 & 6 Year Street Improvement Plan includes resurfacing the park road and adjacent parking areas.). There are concrete and asphalt walks/trails located throughout the park. A pedestrian bridge near the northeast corner of the park spans the drainageway to provide pedestrian access from Park View Boulevard.

Central Park offers a variety of opportunities for active play. Near the main entrance are three enclosed tennis courts. In the northwestern part of the park beyond the loop road is a large, sand-surfaced play equipment area that has a play structure, swing sets, teeter-totters, and a merry-go-round. Other park amenities include restrooms and two picnic shelters. One is a conventional wood shelter, the other an interesting metal shelter dating from the 1950s-60s that is worthy of preservation. The park also has several level, open areas large enough for informal group activities.

Another unusual feature is a broad trench in the hillside west of the wood shelter. It might be interesting to determine and explain its purpose.
**CENTRAL PARK (MINI-PARK)**

**Classification:** Mini-Park

**Location:** Edgewood Boulevard and Valley Road

**Total Acres:** 1.9 acres

**Definition:**

**Mini-Park:** Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

**Park Vicinity Map:**

![Park Vicinity Map](image)

*Map Source: City of La Vista*
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CENTRAL PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
### CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** CENTRAL PARK (MINI-PARK)  
**Classification:** Mini-Park

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#### Comments:

The 1.9 acre portion of Central Park east of Edgewood Boulevard functions as a mini-park. It is a long, narrow parcel with street frontage along Edgewood Boulevard and Valley Road. The north edge of the park is a continuation of the narrow, open, channelized drainageway that runs through the larger portion of Central Park west of Edgewood Boulevard. Beyond it are the back yards of homes facing Park View Boulevard. The park is bounded on the east by a single-family residence, with no fence separating it from the park.

Included in the eastern portion of Central Park are an open play area, basketball court, sand volleyball court, and a play structure. The chain baskets at the basketball court are in poor condition; rope nets are recommended. The play structure area is quite near the eastern edge of the park, and seems uncomfortably close to the adjoining house. Public Sidewalks are installed along Valley Road and Edgewood Boulevard. This section of Central Park has no interior walks or off-street parking in this portion of the park.

The park is generally well-maintained, but lacks any distinctive characteristic that would distinguish it from other La Vista parks.
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

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**CHAMPION PARK**

**Classification:** Mini-Park  

**Location:** 7702 Park View Boulevard  

**Total Acres:** 2.5 acres  

**Definition:**  

**Mini-Park:** Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

**Park Vicinity Map:**

![Map Source: City of La Vista](image-url)
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CHAMPION PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** CHAMPION PARK  
**Classification:** Mini-Park

### Rating Summary

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### Comments:

Champion Park is classified as a 2.5-acre mini-park. It is designed as a barrier-free park for handicapped individuals. The park has street frontage along Park View Boulevard from 76th Street to 75th Street. This is a long, narrow park with residential lots along the east, west, and south. Along the south border, between the park and the residential area, is a drainageway. The drainageway is heavily wooded. Deciduous and evergreen trees have been planted informally throughout the park. Deciduous trees are along the north border.

The park is divided into three sections. The east section is a large open play area. The middle section is the parking lot and play equipment. The parking lot has space for 10 cars, including four handicapped accessible spaces. The play equipment appears to be designed for younger children and for ADA accessibility. The play equipment includes ramps and climber activities. The west section is a small open play area.
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

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**CITY PARK (Sports Complex)**

**Classification:** Sports Complex

**Location:** 78th Street and Josephine Street

**Total Acres:** 12.8 acres

**Definition:**

| Sports Complex | Consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities to larger and fewer sites strategically located throughout the community. Strategically located community-wide facilities |

**Park Vicinity Map:**

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CITY PARK (Sports Complex)
Classification: Sports Complex

Park Photos:
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CITY PARK (Sports Complex)
Classification: Sports Complex

Rating Summary

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<td>1 concession stand/restroom building; 1 maintenance/storage shed</td>
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<td>11. Drinking Water</td>
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<td>Picnic tables at concession building</td>
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<td>Directional signs at parking lots; bleachers at each ball diamond</td>
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Comments: City Park actually consists of three distinct areas: a sports complex and two mini-parks. This Condition and Capacity Report deals with the sports complex. Separate reports discuss each of the mini-parks.

This sports complex contains four formal softball diamonds and support facilities. The ball diamonds are arranged in a pinwheel with a recently constructed concession/rest room building in the center. Parking lots surround the ball diamonds on three sides. Parking areas on the north and west are currently being reconstructed as paved lots lined with curbs. The west lot is gravel-surfaced without curbs.

City Park sports complex occupies a level ridge top in the center of an older residential area of La Vista. The park is open to Josephine Street on the north and is bounded by back yards of adjoining residential lots on the west, south, and east. It has relatively good access from all directions with two pedestrian and one parking lot access entry from the west and a pedestrian access from the south, as well as access through the mini-park section fronting on Joseph Avenue, although there is no walk leading into the park from Joseph Avenue.

The ball diamonds all have skinned infields and bleachers and all are fenced. They appear to be very well maintained.
**CITY PARK (North Mini-Park)**

**Classification:** Mini-Park

**Location:** 78th Street and Josephine Street

**Total Acres:** 1.2 acres

**Definition:**

**Mini-Park:** Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

**Park Vicinity Map:**

[Map Image] Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CITY PARK (North Mini-Park)
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** CITY PARK (North Mini-Park)  
**Classification:** Mini-Park

### Rating Summary

- **Condition:** Poor ☐ Fair ☐ Good ☒  
- **Capacity:** Under ☐ At ☐ Over ☐

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### Comments:

The triangular north section of City Park serves as a mini-park for the surrounding residential area. This section is separated from the main part of the park by Josephine Street, which bounds it on the south. Back yards of adjoining residential lots form the park's other two boundaries. Most are lined with wood or chain link fences; two back yards are unfenced. The park has no access to the neighborhood except along Josephine Street.

The park is level along the Josephine Street frontage, but drops two to three feet down a pronounced slope into the main part of the park, isolating it somewhat from the street. The interior of the park slopes gently down to the north. At the center of the park is a wood play structure on a sand surface. The structure is well-maintained but rather dated. Its location in the center of the open space precludes that space from use as a play field. The park lacks other amenities.

This mini-park has no distinguishing features other than the play structure, and thus has no distinct character. It may be superfluous in a neighborhood of single-family residences unless a unique use can be found for it.
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

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CITY PARK (East Mini-Park)

Classification: Mini-Park

Location: 76th Avenue and Joseph Avenue

Total Acres: 0.3 acres

Definition:

**Mini-Park**: Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

Park Vicinity Map:

![CITY PARK (East Mini-Park) Map](Map Source: City of La Vista)
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: CITY PARK (East Mini-Park)
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** CITY PARK (East Mini-Park)

**Classification:** Mini-Park

### Rating Summary

**Condition:** Poor ✗ Fair  Good ✗  
**Capacity:** Under ✗ At  Over ✗

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### Comments:

Fronting on Joseph Street and separated from the main part of City Park by a pronounced grade change, this lower area of the park serves as a mini-park for the adjacent residential neighborhood.

Other than a few pieces of obsolete play equipment, including a merry-go-round, a quad-bouncer, and two swing sets with a total of four swings, the park has no amenities. It has no level place large enough to serve as an informal open play area, and lacks internal walks. A level spot at the east end of the upper part of City Park is close by, however, and could serve as an informal open play area for this mini-park if the two areas were connected with a walk.

As with the north mini-park area of City Park, this park section lacks any distinguishing features that would give it a distinct character.
EBERLE/WALDEN PARK

Classification:  Mini-Park

Location:  69th Street and Josephine Street

Total Acres:  0.06 acres

Definition:

Mini-Park:  Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: EBERLE/WALDEN PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** EBERLE/WALDEN PARK  
**Classification:** Mini-Park

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* Eberle/Walden Park lacks most facilities that should normally be included in a mini-park, and is much too small to contain them.

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### Comments:

This tiny mini-park occupies a single residential lot on the east side of 69th Street at the east end of Josephine Avenue. It serves as a memorial to two children abducted from the vicinity years ago.

The park itself is level and almost completely taken up by a temporary play structure set in a sand surface. The play equipment has been marred in places with graffiti and the sand contains quite a few pieces of broken glass. There is a drinking fountain near the street at the southwest corner of the park.

Directly east of the park is a steep, densely wooded embankment that defines the west edge of the Big Papillion Creek valley. The wooded embankment is part of a large tract of undeveloped land immediately north of La Vista Sports Complex. If that tract – or even the west part of it – were to become an expansion of Eberle/Walden Park, the best use of the current Eberle/Walden Park would be as access to the new tract from the adjoining neighborhood.
HOLLIS PARK

Classification: Mini-Park (undeveloped)

Location: 7521 Joseph Avenue

Total Acres: 0.5 acres

Definition:

Mini-Park: Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: HOLLIS PARK
Classification: Mini-Park (undeveloped)

Park Photos:
# CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** HOLLIS PARK  
**Classification:** Mini-Park (undeveloped)

**Rating Summary**  
- **Condition:** Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ]  
- **Capacity:** Under [ ] At [ ] Over [ ]

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**Comments:** This undeveloped mini-park at the corner of Joseph Avenue and 76th Avenue is directly across the street from the east mini-park section of City Park. Hollis Park occupies what could be one or two residential lots. It is mowed lawn with deciduous and evergreen trees planted informally throughout. Its only amenities are a wood park sign and a water hydrant. There is a sidewalk along the street frontage. Its other boundaries are adjoining residential lots marked by chain link fences and one board fence.

Park board members recall that for several years this park was maintained by some retired neighborhood residents as public flower gardens. That activity no longer takes place because the people who performed this public service have died or moved from the neighborhood and no one else has volunteered to keep up the tradition.

Although well-maintained, this park lacks any distinguishing characteristic and seems more like a vacant lot than a public park.

Hollis Park is named in honor of Leda Hollis, a La Vista resident who was interested in establishing youth recreation programs and active in raising funds to operate them. A plaque in the Rec Center commemorates her service to the community.
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

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JAYCEE PARK

Classification: Neighborhood Park

Location: 330 Harvest Hills Drive

Total Acres: 2.6 acres

Definition:

Neighborhood Park: Serves as the recreational focus of the neighborhood, offers a balance of active and passive recreational activities to neighborhood residents, and provides facilities within walking distance of their homes on a five to ten acre site.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: JAYCEE PARK
Classification: Neighborhood Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** JAYCEE PARK  
**Classification:** Neighborhood Park

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### Comments:

Development of this park was funded by the local Jaycees organization. This neighborhood park at the corner of Harvest Hills Drive and Valley View occupies a south-facing hillside surrounded by a single-family residential neighborhood. Park development was funded by the Jaycees. The park has full frontage along both streets, and is bounded by back and side yards of adjoining residential lots on the east and south, all of which are separated from the park by privately owned chain link fence, some with gates.

The park is divided into four areas benched into the hillside. The uppermost (north) area is level with Valley View Drive. It contains an elaborate, new Miracle play structure set on a sand base. The structure has recently suffered some minor vandalism, with several handicapped access mats ripped off the underlying concrete pad. Next to the south is a level play area large enough to hold an informal baseball diamond and sand volleyball court. Below that is an area containing a wood shelter set on a concrete pad, two horseshoe courts, a fenced-in basketball court, and head-in parking for 12 cars along the street. The lowest level of the park has several pieces of individual play equipment.

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CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: JAYCEE PARK
Classification: Neighborhood Park

Comments: Although obsolete, the play equipment appears for the most part to be popular with park users and well-maintained, except that two swings are missing and the teeter-totters seem to be mounted rather close together.

Jaycee Park is mostly open turf with trees planted informally singly or in groups. It is a relatively new park and so plants have not had time to mature. Even so, it could probably support many more trees and shrubs than are now in place without appearing to be over-planted.

A sidewalk along Harvest Hills Drive extends from the south edge of the park only to the parking lot. There is no sidewalk along Valley view Drive. An interior park walk connects the parking lot to the shelter and basketball court.

Jaycee Park is classified as a neighborhood park because it functions as one, even though technically a mini-park if size were the only criterion. It has facilities such as the shelter, play equipment, basketball court, horse shoe courts, open playfield and off-street parking typically associated with neighborhood parks in comparable communities.
**KELLY McMAHON FIELD**

**Classification:** Sports Complex

**Location:** 87th Street and Park View Boulevard

**Total Acres:** 6.0 acres

**Definition:**

| Sports Complex: | Consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities to larger and fewer sites strategically located throughout the community. Strategically located community-wide facilities |

**Park Vicinity Map:**

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: KELLY McMAHON FIELD
Classification: Sports Complex

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** KELLY McMAHON FIELD  
**Classification:** Sports Complex

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### Notes

- Turf with edges of park lined with rows of young deciduous trees
- No undeveloped area
- 2 formal softball diamonds
- None
- None
- 1 play structure; 2 swings
- None
- None
- 2 drinking fountains
- None
- 1 gravel lot at west end (25+/-); 1 large, newly surfaced lot at east end (80+/-)
- Security
- Drainage ditch along north edge

**Comments:** Kelly McMahon Field is a sports complex located between 85th and 87th Streets south of Birch Drive. It is named to honor the developer of the neighborhood, who built the park and adjoining municipal pool and donated them to the city. The park's northern perimeter is an open drainage ditch extending almost the full length of the park except at the far west end, where it has been covered over to function as the location for a small play equipment enclosure. The park is open and level, bounded on the north by the drainage ditch, on the south by an apartment complex built on the hill above it, on the west by 87th Street and single-family residences, and on the east by the Municipal Swimming Pool. The deep, channelized drainage ditch along the north edge of the site is devoid of vegetation other than mowed turf and a few trees.

This sports complex consists of two softball diamonds and supporting parking areas. It also has a small enclosure containing a play structure and swings at the northwest corner of the park. The ball diamonds have skinned infields and appear to be very well-maintained, although the chain link mesh in the backstops is in need of replacement. The outfields are not fenced. Each ball diamond is equipped with a drinking fountain and bleachers.

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A large parking lot for about 80 cars at the park's east end has been newly resurfaced. It is accessed from 85th Street of Birch Drive, and doubles as parking for the Municipal Swimming Pool directly to the east. At the park's west end is a smaller gravel lot that can hold approximately 20-25 cars.

This park and the adjoining neighborhoods would benefit from a recreation trail paralleling the drainage ditch, offering a direct connection to the swimming pool. Its appearance would be improved if more trees and shrubs were planted.
LA VISTA FALLS MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

Classification: Special Use Facility

Location: Park View Boulevard at 83rd Street

Total Acres: 30.0 acres

Definition:

**Sports Complex:** Consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities to larger and fewer sites strategically located throughout the community. Strategically located community-wide facilities

Park Vicinity Map:

[Map Image]

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: LA VISTA FALLS MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE
Classification: Special Use

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

### LA VISTA FALLS MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

**Classification:** Special Use

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### Comments:

La Vista Falls Municipal Golf Course is a nine-hole course open to the public. It has been open since 1991. It has five par 3 holes and 4 par 4 holes. The longest hole is 380 yards.

The 30-acre golf course is generally triangular in shape, bounded on the west by 84th Street; on the south by adjoining commercial property, the back yards of homes along Leafplum Drive, and Central Park; and on the northeast by the back yards of homes along Valley Road and Park View Drive. The homes are quite close to the course and are protected from stray golf balls by large nets supported by tall masts.

The course serves approximately 25,000 patrons annually. It is open during hours of daylight year-round as long as the course is playable. It offers a variety of play in leagues organized for men, women, mixed, couples, and juniors.

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Support facilities include a club house that serves soft drinks, beer, sandwiches, pizza, hot dogs, and snacks; a pro shop with a wide variety of golf merchandise available; a putting green, a paved parking lot for 59 vehicles, and restrooms in the clubhouse. Electric carts are available for rent.

Course fees are as follows:

**Monday-Friday**
- Adults (16-55 yrs.) 9 holes $8.50 18 holes $14.50
- Seniors (55+ yrs.) 9 holes $6.00 18 holes $11.00
- Juniors (under 16 yrs.) 9 holes $6.00 18 holes $11.00

**Saturday-Sunday**
- Adults (16-55 yrs) 9 holes $10.00 18 holes $16.00
- Seniors (55+ yrs) 9 holes $6.00* 18 holes $11.00*
- Juniors (under 16 yrs) 9 holes $6.00* 18 holes $11.00*

*after 3:30 pm
LA VISTA SOCCER COMPLEX

Classification:  Sports Complex

Location:  7200 South 66th Street

Total Acres:  34.0 acres

Definition:

Sports Complex:  Consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities to larger and fewer sites strategically located throughout the community. Strategically located community-wide facilities

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: LA VISTA SOCCER COMPLEX
Classification: Sports Complex

Park Photos:
**CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT**

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**Comments:** This 34-acre sports complex is located east of 66th Street on the Big Papillion Creek floodplain, at the east edge of La Vista. It has a total of 12 soccer fields, 4 full-size, 4 mid-size, and 4 youth, and a formal softball diamond. The softball diamond and all the soccer fields have bleachers. None of the fields is lighted. The complex is open and level. Except for the parking lots it is almost completely mowed turf with only a few trees planted. It has no play equipment.

A concrete block concession/restroom building is located just east of the softball diamond. Four gravel-surfaced lots provide parking for 350 cars. Tentative plans call for a second ball diamond at the southwest portion of the site if the adjoining residential property is acquired. The area serves informally as an airfield for remote-controlled model aircraft.

The city’s current *1 & 6 Year Street Improvement Plan* calls for a recreation trail to be constructed through the park linking 66th Street to the Keystone Trail along Big Papillion Creek.
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

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**LA VISTA SPORTS COMPLEX**

**Classification:** Sports Complex

**Location:** 7200 South 66th Street

**Total Acres:** 28.0 acres

**Definition:**

| Sports Complex: | Consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities to larger and fewer sites strategically located throughout the community. Strategically located community-wide facilities |

**Park Vicinity Map:**

![Map Source: City of La Vista](image-url)
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: LA VISTA SPORTS COMPLEX
Classification: Sports Complex

Park Photos:
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: LA VISTA SPORTS COMPLEX
Classification: Sports Complex

Rating Summary
Condition: Poor ☐ Fair ☐ Good ■
Capacity: Under ☐ At ■ Over ☐

Reporting Factors | Condition Poor/Fair/Good | Capacity Under/At/Over |
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1. Developed Area Vegetation | ☐ ☐ ■ | ■ |
2. Undeveloped Area Vegetation | ☐ ☐ ■ | ■ |
3. Open Play Area | ☐ ☐ ■ | ■ |
4. Sports Fields | ☐ ☐ ■ | ■ |
5. Paved Multi-Use Area | ☐ ☐ ■ | ■ |
6. Sports Courts | ☐ ☐ ■ | ■ |
7. Walks or Trails | ☐ ■ | ■ |
8. Play Equipment | ☐ ■ | ■ |
9. Structures | ☐ ■ | ■ |
10. Picnic Facilities | ☐ ■ | ■ |
11. Drinking Water | ☐ ■ | ■ |
12. Restrooms | ☐ ■ | ■ |
13. Parking | ☐ ■ | ■ |
14. Lighting | ☐ ■ | ■ |
15. Misc. Amenities (signage, benches, kiosks, etc.) | ☐ ■ | ■ |

Notes: Turf, with young deciduous planted in rows along parking lots and beyond outfield fences. No undeveloped areas. Between parking lot & softball diamonds. 3 softball; 1 baseball; 2 soccer. None. None. walk from parking lot to concession/rest room building. play structure and swings. 1 concession/restroom building. picnic tables at concession building. 1 drinking fountain at concession bldg. at Concession building. Gravel; 310 +/-.

Comments: La Vista Sports Complex occupies 28 acres in the Big Papillion Creek floodplain. The complex is located on the west side of 66th Street, directly across the street from the soccer complex. It is bounded on the north and south by light industry and agricultural land. The west edge of the park slopes up steeply out of the floodplain to the back yards of homes lining 69th Street. Areas of the park not devoted to sports fields or parking are all mowed turf, with a few trees planted in rows along the edges of the parking lots and the outfield fences of the ball diamonds.

The Sports Complex has 1 baseball diamond, 3 softball diamonds, and 2 soccer fields. All four ball diamonds are lighted and equipped with bleachers. Support facilities include a concession/restroom building, an enclosed play area with a play structure and swings, and gravel parking for approximately 310 cars.

This park could include a recreation trail extension westward from the proposed trail in the Soccer Complex across the street that will connect with the Keystone Trail along Big Papillion Creek. If trail access could be acquired through adjoining property north and south of the Sports Complex (into Mayor’s Park and Eberle/Walden Park) neighborhoods west of the Sports Complex could be linked to the regional trail network.
**MAYOR’S PARK**

Classification: Mini-Park

Location: 72nd Street at Park View Boulevard

Total Acres: 1.25 acres

**Definition:**

Mini-Park: Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

Park Vicinity Map:

![Park Vicinity Map](image-url)
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: MAYOR'S PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
## CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

**Facility:** MAYOR’S PARK  
**Classification:** Mini-Park

### Rating Summary

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### Notes
- Turf with young deciduous trees
- Densely wooded area along creek
- Level, open area north of creek, SE of play structure
- None
- None
- None
- None
- None
- Not lighted
- Wood park sign

### Comments:
Mayor’s Park occupies part of a long, narrow, irregularly shaped, 6.3-acre tract of land straddling a drainageway between 72nd Street and the east city limits. It honors all mayors of La Vista. The park itself is only 1.25 acres, but is indistinguishable from the larger tract, which is owned by Nebraska Public Power District. Most of the tract directly adjacent to the drainageway is densely wooded with native vegetation. The tract slopes sharply up from the south edge of the drainageway. These slopes are severely eroded in places. The area north of the drainageway is level ground (likely landfill) covered with mowed turf. The park is located in this level area. Most of the tract’s frontage on 72nd Street is taken up by an electric power substation, which obscures views into the park and gives the appearance of being only vacant land behind the substation rather than a public park.

The park/NPPD tract is bounded on the north by Hall Elementary School and the back yards of homes along 69th Street; on the west by 72nd Street and the electric substation; on the east by undeveloped land outside the city limits; and on the south by the back yards of homes along Valley Road and 70th Street Circle. The southern boundary of tract does open to Valley Road east of Heartwood Road, where two lots were omitted because of erosion problems. The northwest lot on 70th Street Circle is
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: MAYOR'S PARK  
Classification: Mini-Park

Comments:  
continued also unbuildable due to erosion, and could be incorporated into the tract as another access from the adjoining neighborhood if the erosion were dealt with.

The park has a play structure mounted on a sand base located south of the school playground. The structure appears to be in good condition. An asphalt trail loop extends eastward from the southeast corner of the school playground. There are no other amenities. The trail is lined with a row of young, recently planted deciduous trees.

Mayor’s Park and the larger tract offer opportunities for development as a neighborhood park serving residential areas east of 72nd Street on both sides of the drainageway. It could also provide a location for a trail linking 72nd Street with the La Vista Sports Complex north and east of it, if access were acquired through the west edge of the land south of the sports complex.
MEMORIAL CHILDREN’S PARK

Classification: Mini-Park

Location: 72nd and Josephine Streets

Total Acres: 1.0 acres

Definition:

Mini-Park: Addresses limited, isolated, or specialized recreational needs at small sites in heavily developed areas and at sites with unique recreational opportunities.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: MEMORIAL CHILDREN’S PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Park Photos:
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Rating Summary  Condition: Poor □ Fair □ Good ■
Capacity:   Under ■ At □ Over □

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Comments: Memorial Children’s Park is a mini-park located at the southwest corner of 72nd and Josephine Streets. It is named to honor all local children who have died of childhood diseases. This one-acre park slopes down to the east and south from Josephine Street, graded so that the center of the park is relatively level, with a progressively longer embankment going southward along 72nd Street. The park has full frontage along both streets and is bounded on the south and west by rear and side yards of adjoining residences, separated from them by wood and chain link fences. There is no off-street parking, but parking is available along Josephine Street. Sidewalks are in place along both streets, although there are no walks in the park’s interior.

In the center of the park is a large, irregularly shaped play equipment area containing a contemporary play structure and several pieces of play equipment, including a swing set with three swings, a slide, and a merry-go-round. The play area has a sand base. To the north of the play area is a wood picnic shelter, 1 grill and 3 picnic tables.

The park ground surface is primarily mowed turf, with deciduous and evergreen trees and shrubs planted informally throughout. All park facilities are well-maintained, although some of the play equipment is obsolete.

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CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S PARK
Classification: Mini-Park

Comments: This small park lacks a level area of turf large enough to serve as open play space. If the play equipment were relocated closer to Josephine Street, a small open play area could be added to the park.
MUNICIPAL POOL

Classification: Special Use Facility

Location: 85th Street south of Birch Drive

Total Acres: 1.85 acres

Definition:

Special Use: Provides recreational, cultural and/or educational activity focused on a single purpose use and easily accessible from anywhere in the community.

Park Vicinity Map:

Map Source: City of La Vista
CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORT

Facility: MUNICIPAL POOL
Classification: Special Use Facility

Park Photos:
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Comments: The Municipal Pool is located between 84th and 85th Streets south of Birch Drive. It is directly across the street from the Kelly McMahon Field east parking lot. McMahon, a local developer, built the pool and adjoining park that bears his name and then donated them to the city. The municipal pool property lies well below the road level of 84th Street, separated from that busy street by a tall embankment and not easily visible from the street. At the north edge of the site is a deep, channelized drainageway devoid of vegetation other than mowed turf.

Park facilities include a concrete swimming pool, wading pool, and deck; a concrete block bath house/restroom building; a shelter; and 2 sand volleyball courts. The facilities are lighted for nighttime activities. The pool, deck, shelter, and volleyball courts are enclosed by a 6 ft. chain link fence topped with barbed wire.

The swimming pool itself is rectangular, with a single diving board centered at the deep end. Pool depth ranges from 3 ft. to 8 ft. East of the main pool and north of the bath house is a circular wading pool, separated from the main pool deck by a low chain link fence. All facilities are in excellent condition, but are dated and appear inadequate for a community as large and growing as rapidly as La Vista. Although the park is rated “at capacity” for existing facilities, it likely lacks adequate space to accommodate a contemporary aquatics park.
LA VISTA
PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN
La Vista, Nebraska

[Box: Focus Meeting Participants]

Participants – January 17, 2:00pm, Steering Committee

1. Nancy Schultz, 7418 Plum Dale Rd, 402/331-8669
2. Greg Johnson, 7149 Thorn Apple Lane, 402/597-2885
3. Doug Kindig, 7510 Harvest Hills, 402/597-1699
4. David Potter, 8116 Park View Blvd., 402/331-4343
5. Brian Lukasiewicz, 9900 Cornhusker Rd., 402/331-8927
6. Brenda Sedlacek, 8116 Park View Blvd., 402/331-4343
7. Scott Stopak, 8116 Park View Blvd., 402/331-3455
8. Joe Soucie, 9900 Cornhusker Rd., 402/331-8927

Facilitators
Tom Dunbar, Dunbar/Jones Partnership, 515/280-8026

Participants – March 6, 5:30pm, Community Interest Groups and Organizations

1. Rose Schinker, Public Library, 537-3939
2. Marion Rhodes, Papillion Times, 339-3331
3. Nancy Schultz, Steering Committee, 7418 Plum Dale Road, 331-8669
4. Anthony Gowan, 8821 Bayberry Road, 592-3512
5. Scott Stopak, Steering Committee, Recreation Department, 331-3455
6. David Potter, Steering Committee, City Hall, 331-4343
7. Steve Wiemeyer, 7916 Hillcrest Lane Court, 597-3380
8. Ada McDermott, 9816 F Street, 331-5262
9. Joe McDermott, 9816 F Street, 331-5262
10. George Forst, 7825 Chinawood Avenue 68128, 597-6512
11. Pat Dunning, 5028 South 84th Street, 331-3573
12. Pat O’Donnell, 9994 F Street, 597-6296

Facilitators
Bob Gernes, Dunbar/Jones Partnership, 515/280-8026
Stacie Baker, Dunbar/Jones Partnership, 515/280-8026
Participants – March 6, 7:30pm, Recreation and Athletic Groups and Organizations

1. Greg Johnson, Steering Committee, 7149 Thorn Apple Lane, 597-8826
2. Kim Wenzel, 7237 Valley Road, 339-6470
3. Mary Beth Brandeau, Jazzercise, 935-0472
4. Randy Porter, AIKIDO, 571-1654
5. Alec Smith, AIKIDO, 553-4910
6. Ronald Christenham, AIKIDO, 339-6124
7. Ted DiGiacomo, La Vista Falls Golf Course, 339-9147
8. Tom Egbert, 16517 Hickory Street, 330-6605
9. John Carroll, 7710 Briar Court, 592-0991
10. Helen Sinnett, 7414 South 70th, 331-6544
11. Sean Wenzel, 7237 Valley Road
12. Nancy Schultz, Steering Committee, 7418 Plum Dale Road, 331-8669
13. Scott Stopak, Steering Committee, Recreation Department, 331-3455
14. David Potter, Steering Committee, City Hall, 331-4343

Facilitators
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Stacie Baker, Dunbar/Jones Partnership, 515/280-8026

Participants – March 13, 5:30pm, Government Officials and Agencies

1. David Karlson, 8116 Park View Boulevard, 331-3455
2. Gerry Bowen, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha 68138, 444-6222
3. Brian Lukasiewicz, Steering Committee, 9900 Cornhusker Road, La Vista 68128, 331-8927
4. Jeff Thornburg, 9900 Cornhusker Road, La Vista 68128, 331-8927
5. Rich Carstensen, 4368 South 149th Circle Avenue, Omaha 68137, 896-6807
6. Terry Atkins, 14710 West Dodge Road, Omaha 68154, 496-2498
7. John Kottmann, 10836 Old Mill Road, Omaha 68154, 330-8860
8. Chris Shramek (Lori Hansen), 122 East 3rd Street, Papillion 68046, 597-2041
9. Rita Ramirez, 8116 Park View Boulevard, La Vista 68128, 331-4343
10. Kelly Schreiner, 7115 South 86th #826, La Vista 68128, 592-3104
11. Shon Barenklau, 138 N. Washington Street, Papillion 68046, 537-4840
12. Norm Ellerbeck, 7606 South 87th Street, La Vista 68128, 339-4590
13. Cara Pavlicek, 7208 Pine Drive, La Vista 68128, 331-6183
14. Pat Archibald, 7728 La Vista Drive, La Vista 68128, 592-0369
15. Bob Lausten, 8110 Park View, La Vista 68128, 331-1582
16. Harlan Metschke, 702 East Cary Street, Papillion 68046, 592-7570
17. George Forst, 7825 Chinawood Avenue, La Vista 68128, 597-6512
18. Marv Carcich, 7106 Pine Drive, La Vista, 339-0420
19. Tom Koksal, 8110 Park View Boulevard, La Vista 68128, 331-1582
20. Art McEnearney, 7421 South 85 Street, La Vista 68128, City
21. Marion Rhodes, Papillion Times, 339-3331
22. Jim Glover, Papillion-La Vista Schools, 898-0400
23. Randy Erickson, 7771 Greenleaf Drive, 593-0667
24. Tom McKeon, Fitzgerald, Schorr, Barmettler & Brennan, 342-1000
25. Brian Lukasiewicz, Steering Committee
26. Doug Kindig, Steering Committee
27. Joe Soucie, Steering Committee
28. Brenda Sedlacek, Steering Committee
29. Scott Stopak, Steering Committee
30. Greg Johnson, Steering Committee

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Stacie Baker, Dunbar/Jones Partnership, 515/280-8026

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**Participants – March 13, 7:30pm, Community/Public**

1. Helen Sinnett, 7414 South 70th, 331-6544
2. Linda Willson, 8141 South 69th, 537-4387
3. Dean Willson, 8141 South 69th, 537-4387
4. Chris Shramek, City of Papillion Recreation Department, 597-2041
5. Chris Olson, Omaha World Herald, 444-1086
6. Brenda Sedlacek, Steering Committee
7. Scott Stopak, Steering Committee
8. Greg Johnson, Steering Committee

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LA VISTA
PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN
La Vista, Nebraska
□ Focus Meeting □

Agenda

1. Introduction

2. Review of Planning Process
   • Goals
   • Opportunities
   • Issues
   • Stakeholders

3. Focus Group Activities
   • Strengths and Weaknesses
   • Mapping Exercise

4. Survey
   • Park User Survey
   • Community Scan

5. Schedule for Future Meetings

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Focus Meeting Strengths and Weaknesses

STRENGTHS – January 17, 2:00pm
• An area is available in each neighborhood
• City has lots of “pride” in its community
• City park
• City staff and Council backing
• Community center
• Cooperation with surrounding communities
• Daily maintenance is adequate
• Excellent sports complex
• Excellent sports facilities, i.e., baseball, softball, soccer
• Existing facilities
• Fees – reasonable until last increase?
• Getting kids involved in programs – parent participation
• Good community support
• Good facilities – soccer, ball complex, recreation center
• Good locations in neighborhoods
• Good maintenance of facilities
• Green space available to west
• Maintenance
• Maintenance is excellent
• Management team willing to look ahead to the future
• New park equipment
• Nice community recreation center with centralized location for current corporate limits
• Number of parks
• Only provider of recreation activities in city
• Programs exist for all age groups
• Proximity
• Recreation center facility
• Recreation programs for youth
• Recreation programs offered
• Special events
• Sports complex
• Sports complex
• Sports fields
• Varied programs
• Volunteer base – booster clubs
• Well maintained
• Wide range of programs

STRENGTHS – March 6, 5:30pm
• Superior Community Center (Headquarters)
• Number fields for sport usage
• Number of parks per housing area
• Support from community (central core)
• Dedicated staff
• Far reaching goals
• Civic knowledge of needs for the future
• Future land growth of La Vista
• I like the use of greenspace in new developments (demanded)
• Wide variety of parks throughout City
• Every park seems to have proper equipment and play equipment
• Wide variety of activities for residents and non-residents
• Excellent recreational center
• Sports complex
• Good opportunities for soccer
• Small parks interspersed throughout community
• Excellent sport field complex
• Recreational programs for youth
• Recreational programs for adults
• Playground equipment for children in all parks
• Good indoor facilities for basketball, volleyball, exercise rooms
• Supportive City
• Up-keep
• Community activities
• Programming – youth and adult
• Response to program requests

Flip sheets
• Good interspersing through urban area
• Availability of parks to homes
• Sports offerings
• Superior Community Center – central headquarters to run things from
• Support of City
• Good opportunity for young children – play equipment, etc, at all parks
• Superior playing fields for athletics
• Existing Recreation Center programming
• Excellent youth programs
• Not so bad for the adults either
• Dedicated staff
• Far-reaching goals
• Well run – range of recreational programs for all ages
• South Wind a model for new development
• Utilization of outlots for recreation/open space (newer areas)

STRENGTHS – March 6, 7:30pm
• Ball parks are good shape – City does good job
• Senior Center good
• Great cooperation and approachability with parks staff with businesses, clubs, and individuals
• Positive and open-minded staff
• Easy to offer workshops within system
• Willingness to provide existing sites to conduct hobby activity – flexible with existing facilities
• No bad experiences with facilities
• Facilities are well maintained
• Great balance of parks for city this size
• Community Center – great locker room facility, great game area
• Friendly, reliable staff
• Many youth sports programs offered
• Plentiful or good number of parks
• Well taken care of – maintained well
• Well-maintained equipment
• Plenty of room for activity – ex. Soccer, basketball
• Well positioned
• Golf course is nice asset
• Recreation Department
• Good Public Works help to keep parks clean
• Community Center – anchor
• Large park areas for size of town
• Open to new ideas
• Very friendly and helpful staffing
• Provide opportunity for all age groups
• Have good Recreation Complex
• Good pool?
• Good golf course
• Park for La Vista Days
• Good ball fields
• Recreation Center – good restroom/locker room, bright, well-maintained, great staff – friendly/courteous/helpful
• Creek trail (Keystone)
• Inexpensive, nice playing golf course
• Softball
• Recreation Center
• Gives young children a start with different paths
• Try to keep fees moderate
• Activities for area youth during off school times
• Parks are well maintained
Ball diamonds

Flip sheets
• Impressed with Recreation Center and its amenities and directors
• Recreation Center has cooperated with local businesses and individuals
• Ball parks, etc., sports – city does great job
• Senior center is great
• Very good golf course – well managed
• Recreation Department – wonderful job
• Public Works keeps parks in great shape
• Recreation Center staff – friendly, helpful
• Lots of little parks throughout city – for activities
• Best ball diamonds in metro area
• Good programs for young kids
• Impressed that small city has Recreation Center this size
• Great sports complex
• Recreation Department open to new ideas development
• Parks and Recreation can be flexible and can adapt facilities to new uses
• City this size – number and type of parks impressive
• Clean, well-maintained Recreation Center
• After school and off-day programs
• Central location of everything
• True interest to provide for all age groups

STRENGTHS – March 13, 5:30pm
• The existing parks are well designed and maintained. They are also distributed well throughout the community. I am also very pleased with the city Recreation Center and increase of programs this has brought to the City.
• Quality of Community Center
• Places to grow with new areas for activities/centers
• Open to new activities and ideas
• Growing community with diverse people
• Great parks, clean, well taken care of
• Good facilities for youth to use
• Many different youth sports available
• Good organization planning events, etc.
• Many different programs promoting youth programs – flag football, etc.
• Availability of open space (undeveloped) for larger community parks/athletic complexes
• Community Center – high usage year round, activities for all ages
• Sports Complex – very well maintained, high usage
• Department as a whole does a great job working with other agencies and organizations to utilize all of the community resources
• Affordable fees
• Good facilities east of 84th Street
• Core group of volunteers for your athletics and recreation
• Master Plan being done
• Youth athletic groups will to give back (donate) to city for park upgrades – soccer fields, football fields
• With city growth, the chance to enhance parks system (both within the city and in areas that might be annexed in future) is best now
• Maintenance of city parks and recreation facilities is very good, but with future growth if budget does not keep up maintenance will suffer
• Great community facility
• Adequately staffed recreation department
• Unique facilities (racquetball courts)
• Parks are very well maintained
• Nice recreation area (pool, shuffle board, table tennis area for youth)
• Nice executive golf course
• Nice baseball, softball complex
• Strong support from City Council
• Strong emphasis on youth activities
• Support from other city departments
• Good availability of ball fields/soccer fields
• Modern facility (community center)
• Great Recreation center support staff (Dave and Rich)
• Facilities are well-kept, maintenance wise
• Parks are fairly well distributed throughout city
• Areas within city zoning jurisdictions are monitored for parks/recreational facilities before new subdivisions are approved
• New Community Center is well used by the community and it is closely monitored by staff personnel. Staff insists on good behavior.
• Current parks are well maintained
• The sports complex, bball and soccer, are very nice considering the size of the city
• New equipment installed to make playgrounds safer
• Consideration has been given to park development in some of the newer housing additions in the city
• A very nice community center to accommodate all age groups
• Many parks
• Many programs
• Good community support
• Varied ways to raise monies
• After school programs
• High quality
• Fields complex – accessibility, well maintained, widely recognized/visible, integration with other recreational facilities
• Pool = accessibility
• Integration with neighborhood – Central Park
• La Vista Parks and Recreation work very well with the Papillion-La Vista Schools – we always had a good with relationship with the director’s.
• Excellent playground facilities
• Numerous recreational activities
• Low cost to participate
• Senior citizen activities
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• Good leadership on all programs
• Well-rounded youth sports activities
• Enough adult programs
• Good relationship with neighboring communities
• Good volunteer support from parents
• Support by City Council
• Low to free admission/access to programs
• Generally – location
• Generally – quality of equipment
• Maintenance of system
• Size of system for current corporate limits
• Youth focus
• Community center facility
• Recreation staff
• Lots of different locations
• Upkeep seems to be good
• Some seem to be used more than other and sometimes that is good – if you want a quieter place to go
• There seems to be open spaces for the kids to run, fly kits, and so on
• Neighborhoods accessible
• Parks distribution
• Community center
• Select programs
• Parks maintenance
• Cooperation with Papillion, Ralston, Schools
• Softball complex
• Neighborhood parks within walking distance in most area
• State of the art sports complex facility
• Recreation and sports programs provided at reasonable cost
• Community center facility that is relatively new and provides good space for programs
• Volunteer coaches help keep community members actively involved in programs
• Relatively good quality sports fields for organized activities
• Good variety of programs that are well attended such as use of community center
• Good management of recreation activities
• Good maintenance of facilities
• Strong and knowledgeable staff
• Sports complex that does have a liquor license
• Ability and willingness to partner in programming
• Community center
• Having the majority of their field users being programs that they sponsor

STRENGTHS – March 13, 7:30pm
• Soccer and softball complex with room to expand near existing trail (70+ city blocks of western expansion) with possible trail opportunities connecting Omaha, Papillion, and Bellevue
• Ardmore Park – good locations
• Ardmore Park – well maintained when called
- Ardmore Park – grounds keeping
- Ardmore Park – snow removal
- Ardmore Park – response to calls or complaints is usually very good

**WEAKNESSES – January 17, 2:00pm**
- Appearance of some parks (grass, trees, etc.)
- Are facilities used for La Vista residents?
- Athletic fields not within walking distance
- Biking/walking trails
- BMX track
- Community center needs to be expanded – indoor pool, larger exercise facility, additional gym area
- Equipment available to maintain parks, i.e., bucket truck, more mowers, tractors
- Facility usage (time constraints)
- Fees on the rise
- Golf course not able to pay principal and interest
- Green space is limited
- Lack of development – landscaping, etc. at Jaycee Park
- Lack of open gym time
- Lack of trails – common linkages
- Large open area for events – La Vista Days
- Large quantities of programs – what about quality?
- Less staff to do improvements – concerned with upkeep and maintenance
- Need permanent rest rooms at all parks
- No batting cages
- No comprehensive plan
- No control over booster clubs
- No corporate involvement
- No indoor track
- No lights at athletic fields
- No linking trail system and no link with NRD Papio Creek trail system
- No swimming pool
- No walking trail connected to outer area
- Not enough room at recreation center
- Older, less desirable trees in need of attention ASAP – Central and Camenzind
- Outdated pool
- Outdated swimming pool
- Parks and recreation advisory board under used
- Parks with nothing more than green space to offer – Hollis and Mayors
- Pool facility needs to be expanded or replaced
- RC car track
- Restroom facilities at parks
- Skate park
- Sports facilities located on far east side of city – growth is west
- Swimming pool facility – needs more updating – west location?
The park currently utilized for La Vista Days is too small – need a facility equipped to accommodate large outdoor events
Trail system to connect parks
Update all playground equipment and areas
Variety of activities available – need more variety
Winter outdoor activities – ice skating, sledding
Working with other city programs to combine larger leagues (competition)

**WEAKNESSES – March 6, 5:30pm**

- Lack of funding
- Lack of community support
- Staffing needs
- Bound to industrial development situation in the west
- Lack of a Park Superintendent
- Lack of indoor track
- Lack of designated open areas in western ETJ area
- Lack of trails that connect the City
- Lack of walking and bicycling trails
- Indoor swimming pool
- Educational programs for outdoors
- Historical parks with interpretive programs
- Walking park not available – pond with basic exercise (Ex. Coffeyville, KS – “workout” stations; waling trail; “loop” system where you could “adjust” how much you walked by taking a loop or taking a shorter path; had a map with “miles” walked; had one? covered picnic area; area included a pond, ball fields, tennis court, basketball court, and parking; near residential areas)

Flip sheets
- Don’t have long walking trails – continuous and connecting – lighted, safe, interesting
- Community support limited to core group
- Tendency to neglect older parts of town till costs get overwhelming – plan ahead
- Long term Master Plan to maintain system
- No workout stations
- No interconnecting corridor trails to move through City (e.g. Thompson Creek)
- Need environmentally friendly trails/paths
- Trails in every direction – need something a little different – creative
- Recreation not all bicycling – need special places
- Community as a whole has to be involved through all phases
- No indoor pool
- Outdoor pool – limited
- Need indoor jogging/running place for seniors and others
- No sense of local history of La Vista displayed in public places
- West Papio – flooding history – need to evaluate flooding
- Need interpretive facility to show history of area
- Are FEMA flood maps current?
- Need to keep flood prone areas open – open space potential
WEAKNESSES – March 6, 7:30pm

- Need new pool
- Need to hard surface parking lot at La Vista Complex
- Have Community Center open at 6:00 or 6:30am during summer
- No common open greens without obstructions as a place to play freely be it frisbee, running a dog, etc.
- Not enough gym space for all programs
- Pool is not well-located – not enough greenspace around it
- No priorities of which programs take precedence in gym – youth sports, adult sports, aerobics, other programs
- Too much loitering
- Not enough parking at community center for wrestling meets, etc.
- More equipment in parks
- New or improved pool (large)
- More money for maintenance of parks, pool, golf course
- Need more trees
- Need additional golf course
- Need additional pool
- Need a recreation center with (space for martial arts) built-in
- Large parks
- This recreation center could have space for martial arts
- City could improve golf course we have
- Several year-round groups have outgrown the recreation center’s meeting room spaces – These groups could fill ½ basketball court to full court spaces
- Recreation Center mats have become worn and torn – to the point that the tears risk injury
- Lakes
- Wildlife/Nature areas
- Indoor/winter activities (weather sheltered)
- Perhaps a well visible skateboard facility
- East/west trails
- More parking at peak times at recreation center
- Doesn’t offer options for more competitive athletics
- Pool is too old and small
- Not enough open gym times – need another gym – indoor pool
- More parking at recreation center
- More playground equipment
- Lighted outdoor court for basketball

Flip sheets
- Swimming pool
- Not enough gym space for all programs
- Gym mats are old – wearing out
- More ponds or lake for wildlife
- Need to help out existing golf course – drainage
- More funds for maintenance of golf course and all park facilities
- Green areas for model flying need to be open – no obstacles
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• Need to hard surface parking areas at sports complex
• More opportunities for more competitive kids
• Location of pool – can’t see it
• Hard to park at Recreation Center – not enough for big activities
• Need permanent big sign to identify golf course
• No place to skateboards
• More trees in parks – shaded areas
• No east-west trails
• Skatepark for people of different ages and abilities

WEAKNESSES – March 13, 5:30pm
• The system seems to be stuck in a vision of the 70’s and 80’s where scattered parks represent sufficient green space. I would like to see the Parks and Recreation System involved in initial planning for housing areas being developed within the city limits or areas that are proposed for future annexation. I would like to see new developments improved to include green spaces and corridors. Scattered parks are not sufficient to meet the growing needs of the community. I would also like to see better connections to the Keystone Trail. Current access is limited to highly traveled roads or parks in Ralston. I would like to see future planning to take a more overall community flavor. Planning of corridors should be provided for maintenance of natural habitats that provide more aesthetic appeal.
• Need new pool for city
• Plan more variety of programs/activities
• Open minds to all types of programs/activities
• $ more for programs
• Skatepark – skating rink, ice
• Funding on some things that could better improve a playground area
• Parks appear to be “eastern”
• Few in western part of city and ETJ
• No linear parks or trail systems
• All sports complexes east of 84th Street
• Swimming pool will need replaced in next 10 years
• Not enough baseball fields (only one) for 12 and over teams
• Lacks definition as you go west
• Needs to better identify future facilities
• Core group of volunteers for youth athletics and recreation
• Lack of budget for long-term maintenance and upgrades
• Does not seem to have been a vision for parks system, i.e. how parks are used and how the parks relate to each other
• Lack of diversity in city parks – tree planting and landscape
• Want more money
• Personnel dedicated only to parks and recreation, parks maintenance
• More communication between developers = Parks and Recreation Advisory Board City Hall
• Involve other groups to help in new park activities, i.e. frisbee golf course, South Smith Field, Skate Park, Omaha
• Use city park to create an arboretum with statewide arboretum (with help from state grants?)
• Limited number of tennis courts
• Underutilization of fields from expense, many of the soccer fields are underutilized at the sports complex. If marketed right, the fields would be used more and revenue would come in to support other recreation programs.
• The Rec suffers from lack of leadership at the top. The Rec director does not take initiative that his underlings do. Rich and Dave do a great job.
• Some of the fields (Kelly for example) need to be refurbished. It really looks bad.
• No bike trail system
• Rec employees need to get out more and take a look at what’s going on at the fields and in the community
• Swimming facilities are at a minimal level, i.e. there is only one swimming pool and it is open only in summer
• Tennis court has an isolated location and it is not conveniently located to be of value for the entire community
• Additional facilities are needed for westward expansion
• Consideration should be given to linking La Vista to the trail system in the metro area. West to Chalco Hills via Giles Road and fourth to Walnut Creek via 96th Street
• Provide parkland in the geographical center of the zoning jurisdiction
• Consider possible alternate or new location for the La Vista Days activities
• Outgrown the community center after only 8-10 years
• Divorce rate in NE 50 to 60% - many single parents – can cities cope with all these idle children – 12-13-14-15-16 year olds causing problems
• No integration with each other – Field complex with neighborhoods (East West) – perfect world would have interconnection between parks/facilities by pedestrian traffic
• Pool – aging
• Most is in eastern half of jurisdiction
• Keeping pace with changing recreational needs/interests
• A baseball field to meet the needs of the varsity baseball program
• Lack of volunteers for coaching, etc.
• Lack of available supervision
• Diminishing funds (with expansion comes many more obligations)
• Lack of parking at current Rec Facility
• Need to expand west as development continues
• More funding for youth programs
• Lack of large regional green space
• Lack of rec trail system throughout community
• Age/amenities at swimming pool
• Lack of regional rec attraction
• Lack of outdoor winters sports areas
• Lack of space to expand community center amenities
• Lack of CIP document and process
• Some need to have a few more resources like restrooms, water fountains and so on
• It would be nice to have new pool. I am not sure it needs to be a water park. Just a nice pool. From what I see, ours is way to small and has some age to it.
• Skatepark for the kids would be nice
• More ball fields – seems like everyone could use more of these
• Playground equipment in some parks
Strengths and Weaknesses

- Parks in developing area
- Lack of cooperation – always need more with cities – YMCA, schools, more ball fields
- Select programs
- Lack of funds for certain programs
- Swimming pool is small, old, outdated
- Lack of large green space or park areas for trails, hiking, biking, etc.
- Provide a wider variety of programs for various age groups, i.e. senior citizens, etc.
- Distribution of athletic fields as La Vista grows to west
- Swimming pool needs upgraded and perhaps year-round facility
- Lack of aesthetic, passive recreation areas such as picnic grounds
- Not enough field space to accommodate all requests (not necessarily a weakness, but a common problem)
- Community center not fully utilized (daytime)

WEAKNESSES – March 13, 7:30pm

- Aging city pool with limited attractions
- Ardmore Park – the landscaping is not cared for correctly, mulch is not replenished without prompting, trash cans are not up yet, dog feces are not picked up by owners - kids fall in it while playing in park, kids drink at the park at night and have found broken beer bottles in driveway, water fountain clogged with sand
- Ardmore Park – ordinances, if any, are not posted, such as curfew if any, also leash laws if any, it seems that no one monitors the park for problems and rely on people to call about problems on maintenance needs
Stakeholder Forum - March 27, 2002

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Stakeholder and Citywide Forum Presentation

Note: After the presentation at the Stakeholder Forum, there were some revisions made to the presentation. The information presented here represents what was presented at the Citywide Forum. If it was something different than what was presented at the Stakeholder Forum, that information is discussed in parentheses. Responses were gathered during the Stakeholder Forum regarding the policy issues; these responses should serve as a qualitative indicator and should not be considered scientifically valid. Individual participant responses from the worksheets completed at the Stakeholder Forum were compiled and transcribed. (See Appendix 4-E.) Results from the Stakeholder Forum Policy Issue worksheets were added to the Citywide Forum.

Presentation. The forums began with a description of the scheduled activities. The agenda for both forums was as follows:

- Introductions
- What Do We Know? (Existing Conditions)
- What Do We Want? (Needs Assessment)
- What Should We Do? (Policy Issues)
- Upcoming Events
- Questions and Comments

After introductions, the question ‘What Do We Know?’ was addressed. This covered the existing conditions, including the demographic profile, inventory, and condition and capacity reports.

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

General Observations
- Annual growth rate averaged 2.9% per year (since incorporation)
- Median age increased from 27.4 in 1990 to 29.9 in 2000
- Birth rates surpass mortality rates (by more than 6.5 times)
- Minority populations are increasing (just over 5% in 1990 to just under 10% in 2000)
- Median household income expected to rise to $50,000 by 2007 (for the general population and elderly incomes are expected to rise to nearly $45,000 by the same date)
- More than 90% of residents worked outside La Vista in 1990 (additional employment opportunities within the City will increase as industrial/commercial development occurs west of 96th Street and north of Giles Road)

Population
- Increased steadily between 1966 and 2000
- Annual growth rate of 2.9% per year over the 34-year period
- Population growth will continue to accelerate through 2015
- By 2015, population will reach 29,717 (After these forums, the estimated 2015 population was revised. This change is not reflected here.)
- Growth attributed to City’s location on edge of Omaha
La Vista Population, 1966-2000
With Projections to 2015

Age Demographics
- Average age in 2000 was 29.9
- Average age is gradually increasing (27.4 in 1990 and 23.6 in 1980)
- 40% of population is less than 25 years old
- 10% of population is 55 years or older

Household Income
- Projected to increase significantly through the year 2007
- 1990 median = $31,836
- 2007 median = $50,000
PARK FACILITY INVENTORY

Mini-Parks – Used to address limited, isolated or unique recreational needs. Service area is less than ¼ mile.

- Apollo Park
- Ardmore Park
- Camenzind Park
- Central Park (Mini-Park) (At the Stakeholder Forum, Central Park was considered a community park. It was determined Central Park actually acts as two separate parks - the community park west of Edgewood Boulevard and the mini-park east of Edgewood Boulevard.)
- Champion Park
- City Park (North Mini-Park)
- City Park (East Mini-Park)
- Eberle/Walden Park
- Hollis Park
- Mayor’s Park (At the Stakeholder Forum, this was classified as a neighborhood park. The acreage was revised from 6.3 to 1.25, thus changing the classification.)
- Memorial Children’s Park

Neighborhood Parks – Basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Focus is on informal active and passive recreation. Service area is ¼ to ½ mile.

- Jaycee Park
**Community Parks** – Serves broader purpose than neighborhood parks. Focus is on meeting community-based recreation needs, as well as preparing unique landscapes and open spaces. Service area is ½ to 3 miles.
- Central Park (Community Park) (See note above concerning Central Park.)

**Sports Complex** – Consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities to larger and fewer sites strategically located throughout the community.
- Kelly McMahon Field
- La Vista Soccer Complex
- La Vista Sports Complex

**Special Use** – Covers a broad range of park and recreation facilities oriented toward single purpose use.
- La Vista Falls Golf Course
- Municipal Pool

**CONDITION AND CAPACITY REPORTS**

An example of the Condition and Capacity Report was shown at the forums. The example report used was for Apollo Park. The Condition and Capacity Report defines the park classification, location, total acres, and definition of the classification. A park vicinity map and photographs of the site are also included in the report. Each park is then rated according to condition and capacity, based on fifteen reporting factors. These reporting factors included developed area vegetation, undeveloped area vegetation, open play areas, sports fields, paved multi-use areas, sports courts, walks or trails, play equipment, structures, picnic facilities, drinking water, restrooms, parking, lighting, and miscellaneous amenities (signage, benches, kiosks, etc.). A written description of the park is also provided.

**Condition and Capacity Summary** (A summary of the ratings for all parks was provided. Central Park (Mini-Park) was added after the Stakeholder Forum. Mayor’s Park was reclassified after the Stakeholder Forum, but the ratings did not change.)

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• Mayor’s Park  
  Fair  
  Under

• Memorial Children’s Park  
  Good  
  Under

• Municipal Pool  
  Good  
  At

**Condition Rating Summary**

• Poor – 0

• Fair – 6

• Good – 13

**Capacity Rating Summary**

• Under – 11

• At – 7

• Over – 1

**INVENTORITY SUMMARY**

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Total 19 149.36 acres

(After the Stakeholder Forum, as previously mentioned, Mayor’s Park was reclassified from a neighborhood park to a mini-park. Central Park was split into two parks, adding another mini-park to the list. The acreages for many of the parks were also revised after the Stakeholder Forum.)

**General Observations**

• Over half of La Vista’s total park acreage is devoted to Sports Complexes.

• Just under one-fourth of La Vista’s total park system is devoted to Special Use Facilities.

• Only one-fourth of La Vista’s total park acreage is devoted to Mini-Parks, Neighborhood Parks, and Community Parks.

• Central Park is La Vista’s only Community Park. At 19.5 acres it is smaller than the 30 to 100 acre size recommended by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA). (Acreage was revised after the Stakeholder Forum.)

• La Vista has only one park that has been classified as and serves as a Neighborhood Park -- Jaycee Park (2.6 acres). This park is smaller than the minimum size recommended by...
the NRPA, which recommends a size of 5 to 10 acres. (This statement was revised after the Stakeholder Forum. During the Stakeholder Forum, Mayor’s Park was also classified as a neighborhood park and Jaycee Park had a higher acreage.)

- La Vista relies heavily on Mini-Parks to serve as Neighborhood Parks.
- La Vista has eleven Mini-Parks, ranging in size from 0.06 acre (Eberle/Walden) to 2.5 acres (Champion). The average size is 1.3 acres. (The number of mini-parks was revised after the Stakeholder Forum.)
- La Vista has no public open spaces that qualify as either Natural Resource Areas or Greenways.
- La Vista has no Recreation Trail System linking various park system components.
- Most currently developed, incorporated residential areas of La Vista east of 96th Street are relatively well-served by a combination of Community Parks and Mini-Parks. Development of Mayor’s Park and use of public school grounds within the City as school-parks could serve the areas not currently within park service areas.
- Most of La Vista’s parks are very well maintained.
- Park play equipment and play structures are generally well-maintained, even most of the older, outdated individual pieces.
- Most play equipment, including contemporary play structures, does not appear to meet current ADA accessibility guidelines.
- Most of the parks lack amenities such as restrooms, multi-use courts (paved play areas), and interior walks.
- Almost all parks have at least one drinking fountain.
- Several of the parks, especially newer ones, would benefit from extensive planting of additional trees and shrubs.
- Park identification signs are in good condition and functional, but lack aesthetic appeal.
- None of the parks appears to have space devoted to displays of flowering annuals and perennials.
- Central Park and Camenzind Park both have older metal shelters that are interesting and worthy of preservation.
- Almost none of the parks has a unique feature or emphasizes a distinctive characteristic that would distinguish it from other parks in the system.
- Several north-south thoroughfares are wide and offer opportunities for recreation trails and beautification programs.
- The two major east-west thoroughfares, Harrison and Giles, both have some potential for recreation trails and beautification programs.
- Secondary east-west thoroughfares such as Park View Boulevard have potential as locations for widened walks and tree planting programs.
- Several existing parks are well situated to offer excellent opportunities to take advantage of the dramatic views that give La Vista its name.
The next question discussed was “What Do We Want?” This covered the needs assessment portion of
the project, addressing the results from the Park User Survey, Community Scan, and Focus Meetings.

PARKS USER SURVEY

- How satisfied are you with the number of park and recreation facilities?
  
  51% - very satisfied  
  33% - satisfied  
  2% - very dissatisfied

- How satisfied are you with the quality of park and recreation facilities?
  
  60% - very satisfied  
  21% - satisfied  
  15% - very dissatisfied

- How satisfied are you with the maintenance of park and recreation facilities?
  
  60% - very satisfied  
  27% - satisfied  
  12% - very dissatisfied

- How satisfied are you with the quality of park and recreation programs?
  
  48% - very satisfied  
  30% - satisfied  
  18% - very dissatisfied

- Do you think La Vista has . . .
  
  52% - Not enough parks  
  42% - Just the right amount of park space  
  3% - Too many parks

- What is the one aspect about the parks and recreation system that you . . .

  Most Like
  
  1. Programs and Activities (for youth, variety, diversity, available opportunities, events, equipment)  
  2. Community/Recreation Center  
  3. Cleanliness and Maintenance of Parks

  Least Like
  
  1. Limited Parking and Space at the Community/Recreation Center  
  2. No Trail System  
  3. Management/Staffing (not enough/lack of supervision, no monitoring or parks)

COMMUNITY SCAN

- The majority of respondents rated the following activities as EXCELLENT.
  
  - Baseball - Programmed/Organized Play  
  - Soccer - Programmed/Organized Play  
  - Aerobics/Fitness/Exercise  
  - Basketball - Programmed/Organized Play
- Football - Programmed/Organized Play
- Golf - Course Play
- Teen Activities - Open Facility
- Open Gym Time
- Holiday Theme Events
- Senior Citizen Programs
- Weightlifting/Weight Training
- After School Programs
- Wrestling
- Family Recreation Programs
- Picnicking
- Karate/Self Defense (tied with average and poor)
- Swimming - Lessons
- Handball - Casual Play (tied with poor)
- Summer Sports Camp (tied with poor)
- Full-Day Trips (Senior Citizens) (tied with poor)
- Other (Radio Control Model Airplane)

- The majority of respondents rated the following activities as AVERAGE.
  - Basketball - Causal Play/Pick-up Games
  - Crafts/Hobbies
  - Pottery/Ceramics Classes
  - Soccer - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
  - Softball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
  - Volleyball - Indoors
  - Baseball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
  - Football - Casual/Pick-up Games
  - Swimming - Open - Outdoor
  - Dance Lessons (tied with poor)
  - Karate/Self Defense (tied with excellent and poor)
  - Teen Activities - Programmed/Organized
  - Gymnastics

- The majority of respondents rated the following activities as POOR.
  - Bicycling - Connection to Metro Trails
  - Bicycling - Trails in City
  - Concerts
  - Nature/Outdoor Awareness
  - Cultural Arts Programs
  - Golf - Driving Range
  - Skateboarding
  - Art Fairs
  - Cross Country Skiing
  - Horse Shoes
  - Movies
- Swimming - Open - Indoor
- Volleyball - Outdoors
- Frisbee - Programmed/Organized Play
- Hiking/Walking/Jogging
- Preschool Programs
- Tennis - Programmed/Organized
- Drawing/Sketching Classes
- Full-Day Trips (Adults)
- Gardening Club
- Overnight Trips
- Photography Club
- Racquetball - Programmed/Organized Play
- Sledding/Tobogganing
- Summer Day Camp
- Dance Lessons (tied with average)
- Full-Day Trips (Youth)
- Handball - Organized Play
- Hockey - Programmed/Organized Play
- Ice Skating
- Karate/Self Defense (tied with excellent and average)
- Tennis - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- Water Exercise
- Hockey - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- Painting Classes
- Racquet/Squash - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- Shuffleboard
- Table Tennis
- Tennis - Lessons
- Handball - Casual Play (tied with excellent)
- Summer Sports Camp (tied with excellent)
- Full-Day Trips (Senior Citizens) (tied with excellent)

- Activities that are needed but aren’t currently provided include:
  - 30% Swimming - Open - Indoor
  - 24% Movies
  - 24% Sledding/Tobogganing
  - 21% Water Exercise
  - 21% Nature/Outdoor Awareness
  - 21% Skateboarding
  - 18% Bicycling - Trails in City
  - 18% Frisbee - Programmed/Organized Play
  - 15% Ice Skating
  - 12% Hockey - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
  - 12% Hockey - Programmed/Organized Play
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12% Bicycling - Connection to Metro Trails
12% Concerts
12% Cross Country Skiing
12% Gardening Club

- Best method of notification regarding available activities:
  - Most Effective
    Brochures sent to the homes (86%)
    City Newsletter (73%)
    Recreation Newsletter (62%)
    Information through schools (46%)
    Newspaper (41%)
  - Least Effective
    Bulletin boards in businesses, churches, etc. (74%)
    Radio announcements (57%)
    TV announcements/Triad TV (46%)

- Existing parks, recreational facilities, and activities rated EXCELLENT:
  - Maintenance of facilities (80%)
  - Cost (reasonableness) (76%)
  - Availability (73%)
  - Recreation facilities and fields (73%)
  - Recreation programs (73%)
  - Accessibility (ease/availability to all) (70%)
  - Overall quality of facilities (69%)
  - Security (60%)
  - Park and open space (57%)
  - Playgrounds (57%)
  - Adequacy of facilities available (53%)

- Existing parks, recreational facilities, and activities rated the LOWEST:
  - Cultural programs (55%)
  - Special activities (33%)
  - Promotion (24%)
  - Park and open space (24%)

- In order to provide additional facilities and activities, the majority of respondents rated the following financing mechanisms as:
  - Supportive
    Grants (89%)
    Special fund raising campaigns (81%)
    User fees for specific activities (71%)
  - Not Supportive
    Tax increase (58%)
    Bond issue (44%)
STRENGTHS IDENTIFIED AT FOCUS MEETINGS

Future for Growth and Development
• Available land is utilized as open space
• City and staff are open to new activities and ideas
• Goals look ahead to the future
• Growth to west - new park and recreation facilities
• Master planning underway
• Park additions are included in new housing developments
• Parks are accessible from neighborhoods

Generous Community Support
• City and other City departments are supportive
• Community is supportive
• Core group of volunteers exists
• High response to programs
• Recreation department has good relationships with neighboring communities
• User groups give back to improve facilities

Quality and Number of Existing Facilities
• Community Center
• Facilities receive high usage
• Many well-distributed parks for a community of its size
• Number and quality of recreational fields
• Park equipment
• Senior Center

Variety in Programs and Facilities
• Distribution of parks and facilities
• Program variety reaches children, youth, adults, and seniors
• Variety of passive and active recreation

Well-Organized Leadership and Operations
• Costs for consumed services are reasonable
• Good leadership on all programs
• Parks and facilities are well maintained
• Recreation department works well with outside organizations
• Recreation staff is knowledgeable, friendly, and helpful

WEAKNESSES IDENTIFIED AT FOCUS MEETINGS

Demand on Programming
• Competitive recreation programming
• Expanding the variety of programming available - Educational, outdoor, historical, etc.
• Increasing cooperation and participation by outside agencies
• Keeping pace with changing recreation needs
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• Longer Community Center hours - Increased accessibility
• Underutilized and over-utilized facilities

**Facility Shortages**
• Additional indoor facilities - Track, swimming pool, meeting spaces, etc.
• Aging swimming pool with limited amenities - Only one pool in town
• Community Center is undersized
• Competitive recreation fields
• Improvements to existing facilities - Lighting, parking, equipment, number of fields, etc.
• Lack of recreational trail system through community and to other communities
• Large open space - Use for La Vista Days
• More natural features - Lakes, trees, wildlife areas, etc.
• Recreational fields not centrally located - Growth is to west
• Skate park
• Winter outdoor sports areas

**Limitations of Support**
• Community support limited to core group
• Lack of volunteers for programs

**Meeting Current Needs**
• Available funding for programs and facilities is limited
• Flooding hazards
• Need a fully equipped staff to meet all the recreational needs of the community
• Some programs and facilities have more available funds than others

**Meeting Future Needs**
• Communicating community needs to developers
• Creating a regional attraction
• Limited new facilities in western growth area
• Need a long-range vision for growth and development of the park and recreation system
• No long-term budget for park improvements and expansion is in place

**COMPOSITE MAP THEMES FROM FOCUS MEETINGS**

**Park Facilities**
• Mini-Parks – within neighborhoods, throughout community
• Neighborhood Parks – within neighborhoods, throughout community
• Community Parks – in floodplain areas, large open spaces
• Greenways and Trails – along floodplains and railroads, connecting neighborhoods and parks

**Funding Priority**
• High – east floodplain area, central floodplain area, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, trails
• Medium – golf course, Recreation Center, pool
• Low – City Park, open space
Policy Issues. The final question discussed was “What Should We Do?” This covered the policy issues based on five questions: Where should parks be built?, What do you want to do in the parks?, How do you want to get to the parks?, How should parks be maintained and patrolled?, and How should we pay for it? At the Stakeholder Forum, participants were asked to complete worksheets addressing each of these questions. At the Citywide Forum, the responses gathered at the Stakeholder Forum were presented and discussed. These responses are as follows. (See Appendix 4-E for a complete list of responses.)

WHERE SHOULD PARKS BE BUILT?
- **East Side (east boundary to 96th Street)** – floodplain area, sports complex and community center expansion, pool
- **Central (96th Street to 132nd Street)** – floodplain area, between 108th and 114th, sod farm area, 120th and Giles
- **West Side (132nd Street to 168th Street)** – golf course, Chalco Hills, pool, sports complex, future growth/extraterritorial area
- **Trails and Connections** – east/west, connect parks, for biking/walking, RR ROW, creeks, streets
- **Throughout the Community** – near homes/families/kids, in neighborhoods, within walking distance
- **Joint Facilities with Schools/Other Municipalities** – with Papillion, share fields/playgrounds with schools
- **Other** – in floodplain/major open green spaces, places of historical significance

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO IN THE PARKS?
- **Participate in Fitness/Exercise/Recreational Activities (all ages, informal and formal play)** – baseball, basketball, batting cages, biking, BMX, cross country skiing, fishing, fitness/exercise trail, model aircraft, football, frisbee, frisbee golf, golf, hiking, horses, jogging, kite flying, organized sports leagues, playgrounds, rollerblading, running, skateboarding, skatepark, sledding and other winter activities, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, volleyball, walking
- **Enjoy Nature and Open Spaces** – interpretive sites, watch wildlife, relax, picnic, read, enjoy aesthetics of park including trees/landscaping/fountains
- **Community and Family Events/Gatherings** – attend concerts/plays/cultural events/art in the park, attend neighborhood activities and parties, attend family gatherings and cookouts, picnic, participate in a variety of activities

HOW DO YOU WANT TO GET TO THE PARKS?
- **Along . . .**
  Trails (linear system, interconnected, east-west)
  Hiking Trails
  Greenways (east-west)
  Sidewalks/Neighborhood walks
  Streets
  Canals
- **By Using . . .**
Bicycle
Foot (Walk, Run, Jog, Stroll)
Skating (Rollarblade, In-line skates, Rollarskate, Skateboard)
Automobile (Vehicle, Driving)
Canoe

**HOW SHOULD PARKS BE MAINTAINED AND PATROLLED?**

- **By Various Individuals and Groups**
  - City Staff – Public Works, Maintenance Staff, Park/Recreation, Police
  - Local businesses
  - Community organizations/clubs
  - Community policing
  - Adopt a park program
  - Volunteers
  - School District

- **According to Certain Standards**
  - On a regular basis – planned and scheduled (monthly/daily)
  - On a complaint basis
  - The best they can be – highest standards
  - Daytime and evening patrol
  - Equipment upkeep
  - Mowing, clearing walks in winter, emergency markers/phones

**HOW SHOULD WE PAY FOR IT?**

- **Private Sources** – businesses, corporations, developers, donations, private management, fund raisers
- **Organizations and Groups** – booster clubs, La Vista Community Foundation, sports club sponsorships, Academy of Model Aeronautics
- **Grants** – federal, state, regional, local, and NRD programs
- **Government – State and City** – bond issue, capital campaign, City general/budgeted funds, tax revenue, City/county partnership, school district, Keno revenue, lottery
- **User and Membership Fees** – user fees (facilities), participation/programs/ recreation fees, league fees, special use fees, membership dues/fees

At the end of each forum, upcoming events were discussed. This included the Multi-Media Presentation to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board on April 23, Tuesday, 7:00pm at City Hall and to the City Council on May 7, Tuesday, 7:00pm at City Hall. There was also an opportunity for questions and comments regarding the information presented at the forum or any items the participants wished to address.
Where should parks be built?

- Central floodplain area
- Chalco Hills area
- Golf course – western area
- Aquatic center – joint facility – Papillion and La Vista
- Schools, La Vista, Papillion – indoor/outdoor facility
- Neighborhoods
- Trails throughout city
- Neighborhoods – new growth areas
- Community park – 120th and Giles Road area
- Pool facility – 96th and Hanson area (indoor)
- Add on to existing recreation center
- Scattered parks
- Corridors connecting some of our parks
- Sod farm – area park
- Residential subdivisions – developer donated
- Shared fields or parks with school district
- Need to always make sure new residential developments have adequate park space based on density of development
- Sod farm
- Frankly, the city’s growth area is already nearly built out
- Near 120th and 114th Streets between Giles Road and Harrison Street
- Val Verde area
- Undeveloped area SW of Harrison and 96th Streets
- Chalco area
- Expansion of sports complex
- Ball complex in future growth area to co-exist with soccer complex like on east side of community
- Open area, trail head, amphitheater, dog run, etc., around 114th Street – center of community – to provide for group activities
- In the areas identified in the planning sessions
- In areas identified as growth areas for the city
- Neighborhoods that are lacking, especially in the extraterritorial areas to the west
- Populated areas
- Easy access areas
- Where population wants/needs them
- Historical significance?
- Floodplain area – Harrison to Giles, 114th to 120th
- Expansion of existing sports complex to north and south
- Creation of bike trail from east to west for recreation
- Swimming pool renovation at current site
- Interspersed throughout La Vista
- Near homes, families, and kids
- Neighborhood parks should be built in conjunction with schools to provide parks closer to homes – avoid similar playground facilities next to each other
- West of 96th street and east of 144th street
- Build linear parks/trails to connect existing and newer parks
- The central and western areas of La Vista
- Should be built along with schools as new ones are added
- A linear park/trail system would be ideal to connect the city from east to west
- Open field at 72nd and Giles
- Central flood plain
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- Chalco Hills
- East flood plain
- Area around 96th and Granville
- Existing floodplain areas – major open and green space
- Four more community parks geographically located out to 168th street
- Expand the current sports and soccer complex – secure land abutting current ground
- New indoor pool located in the 108th to 114th street corridor
- Green spaces on existing easements and right-of-way areas
- City park (size as recommended by national association) should be added west of 84th street – at least 30 acres
- Enhance sports complex area to capitalize on an already wonderful facility
- Large park with pond where compatible but not too far from current development
- Sports complex on either north or south side
- In central area of city after city has grown or expanded to farthest boundaries
- Across from the Caterpillar plan
- Around the new library and Val Verde area are two areas that need attention
- East floodplain
- East of 66th street
- South, north, or east of soccer complex
- Greenway connecting east to west edges – suitable for biking and walking
- East floodplain would be ideal for nontraditional recreation pursuits such as flying of model aircraft in a safe and professional way
- A centralized park or greenway as a midpoint between Chalco and Papio bike path. Bikers would find a nice side trip along the center of our community out to the western lake
- East floodplain
- West of city – sod farm
- Sod farm area
- NW corner of 72nd and Giles
- 96th and Grandville Parkway
- Close to city maintenance shop
- Continue to develop sports complex along Papio
- 114th Street
- Stoney Brook/Wehrspann Lake area
- Trails to connect parks in city along boulevards and parkways, street right-of-way
- Trails along creek system
- Trail along railroad right-of-way
- Mini-parks throughout city
- Walking distance of residential areas
- Evenly spread out through city
- Sod farm area
- Next to community center
- Next to pool
- Next to sport complexes
- In west expansion area
- Any new subdivision being built
- SW corner of 96th and Harrison – community park
- A mini-park or neighborhood park should be built in each new housing development based on the size of the development
- An additional but larger community center in the areas west of 108th street with an indoor pool
- A trail system linking the Papio NRD trail to Wehrspann Lake while winding through neighborhoods with offshoots
- Update and possibly re-construct the existing pool but add an additional larger pool in the west
- Turn Kelly-McMahon field into a neighborhood park
- Update parks before starting new projects
- Residential neighborhoods

What do you want to do in the parks?

- Community concerts, events
- Play ball
- Picnic
- Frisbee
• Swimming
• Major attractions – band shell, carousel, “old
time” park
• Walk
• Easy access through parking lot
• Fun for children
• Many options
• Playground equipment
• Picnic areas
• Variety
• Open space
• Open courts
• Trails
• Exercise facility
• More courts at gym
• Walk
• Run
• Bird watching
• Enjoy aesthetics of the park and solitude
  away from busy streets
• Better access to existing bike trails via biking
  routes or trails
• Have community gatherings
• Cultural events possibly – outdoor concerts,
  art in the park, etc.
• Trails with exercise equipment
• Open space for concerts and other events
• Interpretive areas
• Batting cages
• Sports
• Picnic
• Neighborhood activities, parties, etc.
• Bicycle
• Walk
• Specific activities – talked about unique
  characteristics – skatepark, Frisbee, tennis,
  etc.
• Family gathering places
• Bike
• Relax!
• Watch ducks
• Visually appealing
• Floodplain – green space and natural areas
• Play equipment
• Sports fields for casual play
• Safe walking paths
• Baseball
• Open space for walking

• Soccer
• Picnic area
• Football
• Bike trail
• Cross country skiing
• Open spaces for families to do activities –
  Frisbee, play catch
• Specialty spaces for tennis, softball
• Organized sports – softball, soccer, baseball
• Playground equipment for children
• Organized sports leagues
• Walk, bike, roller blade
• Open tennis and basketball courts
• Picnic
• Enjoy open space
• A large centralized open green space is
  needed
• An additional sports (baseball/softball)
  complex is needed with fences deep enough
  to be used with the 12-14 year old groups
  and up. The ball fields at city park can only
  be used for 10 and under
• Trail system/linear park for biking/running
• A botanical garden/park is needed with
  possible care and maintenance provided in
  part by volunteers
• Playground equipment
• Bike/hiking trails
• Water park
• Golf
• Playground equipment
• Walking/jogging trails
• Picnic and BBQ
• Open space for activities
• Have rest room facilities available
• Enjoy the trees
• When using sports fields, they should be
  well-maintained, lighted, restrooms,
  concessions
• Trails
• Local sidewalks
• Drive on street system
• Tennis
• Walk/jog
• Ride bikes
• Play basketball
• Sledding and other winter activities
• Family gatherings, cookouts, shelters
• Able to have access to sporting activities like volleyball, horseshoes, playgrounds
• Ability to conduct family outings to include activities that cater to all ages
• Keep them clean and appealing
• Walk, run, and jog
• Kids play – playground equipment
• Enjoy nature, relax, eat lunch, read a book
• Make parks beautiful to enjoy – fountains, landscape, etc.
• Open spaces for “play” – pickup games, green spaces
• Strategic locations of sport facilities where adults and kids can play in neighborhoods – tennis courts, basketball courts, horseshoes
• Have shelters for picnics and other gatherings
• Listen to concerts, plays
• Develop specific parks – skateparks, aquatic parks
• Provide a prepared area where youth of all ages can enjoy the educational/fun sport of flying radio controlled powered aircraft, sail planes, and helicopters! Since time and investments in these aircraft can be substantial, a sanctioned facility is important for the safe operation of any flying model. Great educational and competitive opportunities exist for our community with a unique facility such as this.
• Provide a radio control model airplane field with a paved runway and shelter
• Ride bike and walk
• Organized sports – football, soccer, baseball, softball, etc.
• Areas for pickup games
• Covered shelters for general use
• Hard surfaces for basketball and tennis
• Areas for sitting and enjoying the parks
• Playground equipment – barrier free play area
• Walking
• Areas set aside for special use – R/C planes and cars, skateboarding, etc.
• Pools – indoor and outdoor
• More public picnic areas
• Skateboard and roller blade
• BMX bike tracks
• Remote controlled car tracks
• Remote controlled airplanes
• Frisbee golf
• Fishing
• Biking
• Workout, run, fitness trail
• More green space for pickup ball games or kite flying, etc.
• Playground equipment
• Walking paths
• Amenities
• Shelter houses
• Organized sports – football, softball, etc.
• Radio control model airfield for R/C model flying. Indoor for 60 people at community center. Outdoor for 250 people at east end of sports complex

How do you want to get to the parks?

• Streets – driving
• Trails – walking, bicycling
• Canals – canoeing
• Trail system – biking, walking
• On foot or by bike
• Neighborhood walk
• Drive
• Want to walk to neighborhood parks
• Will drive to community parks or access by trails
• Walking
• Biking
• Driving
• Interconnection from one to another
• Walk
• Bicycle
• Possibly drive
• Drive
• Walk
• Bike
• Roller blade
• Skateboard
- Walk
- Bicycle
- Drive
- Walk
- Ride bikes
- Drive
- Automobile
- Bike
- Walk
- Walk or bike – first option
- Drive – second option
- Linear trail system from east to west
- Parking is limited at a number of parks
- Walk
- Bike/hiking trails
- Ride bikes
- Would drive to park with pond and fishing
- Walking trail around a pond would be fantastic
- Trails
- Walk
- Walk, run, jog, and stroll
- Drive
- Bicycle
- Skate
- Drive
- Access to vehicle to flying field
- Access to east-west greenway by bike
- Access to Papio path by foot and bike
- Car
- Bike
- Walk
- Walk
- Drive
- Bike
- Skate – inline and roller
- Walk and bike on trails
- Drive
- Drive to community parks
- Sidewalks and linking trails
- Bike on trails
- Walk
- Drive

### How should parks be maintained and patrolled?

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<td>The best that they can be</td>
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<td>Maintenance should be planned, scheduled, and a regular part of the city function</td>
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<td>Sheriffs department – patrolled</td>
<td>Police patrols should be by cruiser, bicycle, and foot patrol</td>
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<td>Neighborhood associations – patrolled</td>
<td>Manpower is needed – community policing often requires additional police personnel</td>
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<td>Papillion-La Vista School District – schools sponsor clean ups</td>
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<td>Increase law enforcement presence</td>
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<td>Parks department</td>
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• Recreation employee to ensure spaces and facilities are used for intended uses
• Police while patrolling to watch for mischievous behavior
• All city employees to watch for inappropriate behavior
• City staff for maintenance and daytime patrol
• City police for evening and night patrol
• Some volunteer community groups need to get involved in this process and will probably take pride in helping
• Public works
• Parks department
• Adopt a park program for monthly clean up
• Police
• Citizen patrol
• Higher use parks tend to have less vandalism
• Ask major city businesses to volunteer to help clean and maintain parks, like the Nebraska state roads
• Bike patrols in the summer
• Additional staff and funding to do special projects in the parks
• Continue funding existing practices
• Patrolling? Current police patrols seem to be working
• Park staff meets the needs during daytime hours
• Do not foresee park supervisor living in the parks
• Maintained by city crews/volunteers
• Patrolled by police bike patrol and cruisers
• Parks should be maintained by either recreation department employee – temporary or full time
• By workers of the city who while going from job to job of miscellaneous task check parks daily
• Parks dept and the people who use the parks
• Parks department maintenance staff should maintain and patrol during the day
• Service clubs “adopt a park” program
• Patrolled by police or citizens watch at night
• Shared responsibilities with school system on some fields
• Radio controlled field would require a minimum of mowing, especially if a hard surface runway or taxiway is placed. The only other equipment required would be a frequency control board, windsock, and benches or bleachers
• Parks should be maintained by city maintenance
• Parks should be patrolled by local police
• Parks and park facilities should be maintained to the very highest standards
• Mowed, walks cleared in winter
• Equipment upkeep should be a priority
• Patrolled by city police – all curfews enforced!
• Parks department staff
• Police department
• Regular maintenance schedule
• On a complaint basis
• Current maintenance by public works
• Patrolled by police, however, community groups would be ideal but probably won’t happen
• Maintenance by volunteer groups would be helpful but not practical
• Parks department, scouts, school projects

How should we pay for it?

| Special use tax | Tax dollars also available |
| Bond issue | Grants |
| Program fees | User fees |
| Grants | Keno money |
| Fundraisers | Developers provide land for neighborhood parks |
| Keno dollars | Grants |
| Sports club sponsorships | Bond issue |
• Taxes
• Managed budget
• Booster club support
• Foundations
• Private management
• School district
• City/county shared facilities
• Depends on what it is – combination of sources
• City at large
• Grants
• Bond issue
• Capital campaigns
• Private donations
• Apply for grants and federal/state assistance
• Federal, state, and local grant money
• Foundation money such as the La Vista Community Foundation for community betterment
• Large private donations
• City budgeted funds
• Government – city and state
• Grants
• Private funding
• Is business funding appropriate?
• Collaboration? Since our parks serve other populations
• Keno dollars
• Tax dollars
• Donations – La Vista Community Foundation
• Capital campaign
• Various taxes
• Donations
• Voluntary park membership fees
• Grants
• City tax revenue
• Keno revenue
• Users via appropriate fees
• Gambling income
• Business partnerships/sponsorships
• Small portion of city general fund
• Grants from local and regional sources
• Housing developers should pay for small parks in new neighborhoods
• League and participation fees – “minimal”
• Ball fields can be partially funded by user fees

• Future parks can also be funded by developers as new housing developments are put in
• Grants
• City business donations
• Keno money, grants
• Bonding
• User fees
• Sales tax
• Keno fund
• Sales tax revenue
• Recreation fees
• Grants – federal
• Partnerships with Papio NRD
• Tax money
• Bond money to begin and budget money to increase for future years in capital plan
• Grants through NRD and other agencies for trail development
• Have developers assist in payment of trail development in newly developed areas
• Private businesses may build certain types of parks – skatepark, hockey/ice rink, etc.
• Membership dues (yearly)
• Academy of Model Aeronautics assistance to help fund airfields across the country
• Youth programs for aeronautic education through libraries, schools, summer camps
• Lottery
• Bonds
• Donations
• Taxes
• City general fund may need increase in levy
• Keno funds
• Grants – state, federal, NRD
• Bonds
• User fees
• Special use fees
• Corporate donations
• Fund drive
• SIDs and developers of new housing and businesses
• Tax dollars
• User fees
• Grants
• Bonds
• Keno funds
• Grants
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- Park and recreation facility user fees – set aside a percentage for future development
- Keno
We are conducting a public opinion study about the parks and recreation system in La Vista with residents of the city 14 years of age or older. Please take a few minutes to answer the following questions about the parks and recreation system in La Vista.

QA. Do you live inside the city limits of La Vista AND are you 14 years old or older? (Please circle your response.)
   1. YES to both
   2. NO

The first few questions are about the La Vista parks and recreation system in general:

Q1. How satisfied are you with the NUMBER of park and recreation FACILITIES in La Vista?.............. 1 2 3 4 5

Q2. How satisfied are you with the QUALITY of park and recreation FACILITIES in La Vista?.............. 1 2 3 4 5

Q3. How satisfied are you with the MAINTENANCE of park and recreation FACILITIES in La Vista?.............. 1 2 3 4 5

Q4. How satisfied are you with the NUMBER and VARIETY of the parks and recreation PROGRAMS in La Vista?............................................... 1 2 3 4 5

Q5. How satisfied are you with the QUALITY of the parks and recreation PROGRAMS in La Vista?............... 1 2 3 4 5

Q6. How many times have you visited or used any park or park facility in the last twelve months: (Please circle your response.)
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1. 1 time
2. 2-11 times
3. 12-24 times (once or twice a month)
4. 25-49 times
5. 50+ times (every week or more)
6. Don’t know/Don’t have an answer

Q7. Do you think La Vista has: (Please circle your response.)

1. Too many parks
2. Not enough parks
3. Just the right amount of park space

Q7a. What park do you most frequently visit? (Please circle your response.)

1. Apollo Park (72nd St. and Park View Blvd.)
2. Ardmore Park (69th St. and Michelle Ave.)
3. Camenzind Park (7120 Wood Lane Dr.)
4. Central Park (Edgewood Blvd. and Valley Rd.)
5. Champion Park (Park View Blvd. between 75th and 76th St.)
6. City Park (78th St. and Josephine St.)
7. Eberle/Walden Park (69th St. and Josephine St.)
8. Hollis Park (7521 Joseph Ave.)
9. Jaycee/Harvest Hills Park (330 Harvest Hills Dr.)
10. Kelly Park (87th St. and Park View Blvd.)
11. La Vista Falls Municipal Golf Course (SE of 84th St. and Park View Blvd.)
12. La Vista Memorial Park (72nd St. and Josephine St.)
13. La Vista Sports Complex (7200 South 66th St.)
14. Mayor’s Park (72nd St. between Valley Rd. and 69th St.)
15. Municipal Pool (7500 South 85th St.)
16. Soccer Complex (7200 South 66th St.)
17. Other

Q7b. Why do you visit this park? What do you specifically do here?

Q8. What is the one aspect (facility, activity, program, thing) that you MOST like about the parks and recreation system in La Vista?
Q9. What is the one aspect (facility, activity, program, thing) that you LEAST like about the parks and recreation system in La Vista?
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The following demographic questions are for classification purposes only; your responses will remain strictly confidential.

Q10. What is the PUBLIC SCHOOL nearest to your house? (Please circle your response.)

1. G. Stanley Hall (7600 South 72nd)
2. Hickory Hill (1307 Rogers Drive)
3. La Vista West (7821 Terry Drive)
4. Parkview Heights (7609 South 89th)
5. La Vista Junior High School (7900 Edgewood Boulevard)
6. La Vista-Papillion High School (84th Street and Centennial Road)
7. DON’T KNOW

Q11. What is your age? (Please circle your response.)

1. 14-17
2. 18-24
3. 25-34
4. 35-44
5. 45-54
6. 55-64
7. 65-79
8. 80 or over
9. No Answer

Q12. How many children under the age of 18 live in your house? ______

Q13. What is your gender? (Please circle your response.)

1. Male
2. Female

Thank you for your time. We appreciate your input!
# Community Survey
March 2002

Q1. What is your opinion of each of the following activities in La Vista?

Please rate the following on a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 = Excellent and 1 = Poor.

Please answer 0 if you don’t know or N if the activity is needed but isn’t currently provided.

1. Aerobics/Fitness/Exercise....................... ______
2. After School Programs............................. ______
3. Art Fairs.............................................. ______
4. Baseball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games ........ ______
5. Baseball - Programmed/Organized Play ....... ______
6. Basketball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games ....... ______
7. Basketball - Programmed/Organized Play ...... ______
8. Bicycling - Connection to Metro Trails ...... ______
9. Bicycling - Trails in City.......................... ______
10. Concerts.............................................. ______
11. Crafts/Hobbies ..................................... ______
12. Cross Country Skiing......................... ______
13. Cultural Arts Programs.......................... ______
14. Dance Lessons ...................................... ______
15. Drawing/Sketching Classes..................... ______
16. Family Recreation Programs................... ______
17. Football - Casual Play/Pick-up Games ...... ______
18. Football - Programmed/Organized Play ...... ______
19. Frisbee - Programmed/Organized Play ...... ______
20. Full-Day Trips (Youth)............................ ______
21. Full-Day Trips (Adults)........................... ______
22. Full-Day Trips (Senior Citizens)............. ______
23. Gardening Club .................................... ______
24. Golf - Course Play................................... ______
25. Golf - Driving Range.............................. ______
26. Gymnastics.......................................... ______
27. Handball - Casual Play............................ ______
28. Handball - Organized Play........................ ______
29. Hiking/Walking/Jogging.......................... ______
30. Hockey - Casual Play/Pick-up Games ........ ______
31. Hockey - Programmed/Organized Play ....... ______
32. Holiday Theme Events............................ ______
33. Horse Shoes.......................................... ______
34. Ice Skating.......................................... ______
35. Karate/Self Defense............................... ______
36. Movies............................................... ______
37. Nature/Outdoor Awareness.................... ______
38. Open Gym Time.................................... ______
39. Overnight Trips .................................... ______
40. Painting Classes ................................... ______
41. Photography Club ................................ ______
42. Picnicking.......................................... ______
43. Pottery/Ceramics Classes...................... ______
44. Preschool Programs.............................. ______
45. Racquet/Squash - Casual Play/Pick-up Games ______
46. Racquetball - Programmed/Organized Play ...... ______
47. Senior Citizen Programs....................... ______
48. Shuffleboard........................................ ______
49. Skateboarding....................................... ______
50. Sledding/Tobogganing............................ ______
51. Soccer - Casual Play/Pick-up Games........ ______
52. Soccer - Programmed/Organized Play...... ______
53. Softball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games ....... ______
54. Softball - Programmed/Organized Play ...... ______
55. Summer Day Camp............................... ______
56. Summer Sports Camp............................ ______
57. Swimming - Lessons.............................. ______
58. Swimming - Open - Outdoor................... ______
59. Swimming - Open - Indoor.................... ______
60. Table Tennis........................................ ______
61. Teen Activities - Open Facility................ ______
62. Teen Activities - Programmed/Organized.... ______
63. Tennis - Casual Play/Pick-up Games........ ______
64. Tennis - Lessons................................... ______
65. Tennis - Programmed/Organized Play....... ______
66. Volleyball - Indoors.............................. ______
67. Volleyball - Outdoors............................ ______
68. Water Exercise..................................... ______
69. Weightlifting/Weight Training.............. ______
70. Wrestling............................................ ______
71. Other (list)......................................... ______
Q2. What is the best method to notify your family about activities which are available in the community?

Please rate on a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 = Most Effective and 1 = Least Effective.

Notification Method
1. Brochures sent to the homes................................. 7. City newsletter...........................................
2. Brochures available in public outlets ....................... 8. Radio announcements .................................
3. Information through schools ................................ 9. TV announcements/Triad TV..........................
5. Notices in libraries, community centers................. 11. Other (list) ..............................................
6. Recreation newsletter......................................

Q3. How would you rate existing parks, recreational facilities and activities in La Vista?

Please rate on a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 = Excellent and 1 = Poor.

Adequacy of facilities available .............. 8. Overall quality of facilities
Maintenance of facilities ................................ 8a. Park and open space
Availability (hours)....................................... 8b. Playgrounds
Cost (reasonableness)................................... 8c. Recreation facilities and fields
Accessibility (ease/availability to all).............. 8d. Recreation programs
Security..................................................... 8e. Cultural programs
Promotion (making residents aware).............. 9. Special activities

Q4. Which of the following financing mechanisms would your family be willing to support in order to provide additional facilities and activities, if necessary?

Please rate on a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 = Support and 1 = Not Support.

Financing Mechanism
1. Tax increase................................................ 4. User fees, for specific activities
2. Bond issue.................................................. 5. Grants .....................................................
3. Special fund raising campaigns...................... 6. Other (list) ..............................................

Q5. If resources are not available in the community to meet the desires and needs of all residents, how would you rank the following as a priority for your family?

Please rate on a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 = Highest and 1 = Lowest.

Area of Need
1. Additional open space and park land.............. 3. Additional recreational programs
2. Additional recreational facilities (fields, special use facilities).............. 4. Maintenance of existing facilities/programs

Q6. We would like a little information about your household to assist us in determining where recreational needs in La Vista are not being met. Please help us by responding to the following questions.

A. Number of persons currently living in your home

B. Please list ages of all individuals identified in Q6.A as of their last birthday.

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C. Is your home located within the city limits or outside the city limits?

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D. How long have you lived in La Vista?

E. What was your gross household income in 2001? (OPTIONAL)

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Q7. Please list other comments or concerns you might have regarding La Vista Parks and Recreation activities and programs. (Use back of sheet if necessary.)
La Vista Parks and Recreation Master Plan
Community Scan
Summary – Results

Question 1 - The majority of respondents rated the following activities as EXCELLENT (starting with the highest ranked activity for this category):

- Baseball - Programmed/Organized Play
- Soccer - Programmed/Organized Play
- Aerobics/Fitness/Exercise
- Basketball - Programmed/Organized Play
- Football - Programmed/Organized Play
- Golf - Course Play
- Teen Activities - Open Facility
- Open Gym Time
- Holiday Theme Events
- Senior Citizen Programs
- Weightlifting/Weight Training
- After School Programs
- Wrestling
- Family Recreation Programs
- Picnicking
- Karate/Self Defense (tied with average and poor)
- Swimming - Lessons
- Handball - Casual Play (tied with poor)
- Summer Sports Camp (tied with poor)
- Full-Day Trips (Senior Citizens) (tied with poor)
- Other (Radio Control Model Airplane)

The majority of respondents rated the following activities as AVERAGE (starting with the highest ranked activity for this category):

- Basketball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- Crafts/Hobbies
- Pottery/Ceramics Classes
- Soccer - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- Softball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- Volleyball - Indoors
- Baseball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- Football - Casual/Pick-up Games
- Swimming - Open - Outdoor
- Dance Lessons (tied with poor)
- Karate/Self Defense (tied with excellent and poor)
- Teen Activities - Programmed/Organized
- Gymnastics

The majority of respondents rated the following activities as POOR (starting with the lowest ranked activity for this category):

- Bicycling - Connection to Metro Trails
- Bicycling - Trails in City
Concerts
Nature/Outdoor Awareness
Cultural Arts Programs
Golf - Driving Range
Skateboarding
Art Fairs
Cross Country Skiing
Horse Shoes
Movies
Swimming - Open - Indoor
Volleyball - Outdoors
Frisbee - Programmed/Organized Play
Hiking/Walking/Jogging
Preschool Programs
Tennis - Programmed/Organized
Drawing/Sketching Classes
Full-Day Trips (Adults)
Gardening Club
Overnight Trips
Photography Club
Racquetball - Programmed/Organized Play
Sledding/Tobogganing
Summer Day Camp
Dance Lessons (tied with average)
Full-Day Trips (Youth)
Handball - Organized Play
Hockey - Programmed/Organized Play
Ice Skating
Karate/Self Defense (tied with excellent and average)
Tennis - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
Water Exercise
Hockey - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
Painting Classes
Racquet/Squash - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
Shuffleboard
Table Tennis
Tennis - Lessons
Handball - Casual Play (tied with excellent)
Summer Sports Camp (tied with excellent)
Full-Day Trips (Senior Citizens) (tied with excellent)

The following list identifies the activities that respondents were unable to answer (rated O – Don’t Know). These are categorized in groups (under 25%, between 25% and 50%, between 51% and 75%, and over 76%) and in order from low to high.

Under 25%
12% Bicycling - Connection to Metro Trails
12% Open Gym Time
15% Aerobics/Fitness/Exercise
15% Golf - Course Play
18%  Bicycling - Trails in City
18%  Weightlifting/Weight Training
21%  Family Recreation Programs
22%  Holiday Theme Events
24%  After School Programs
24%  Crafts/Hobbies
24%  Hiking/Walking/Jogging

**Between 25% and 50%**
- 27%  Baseball - Programmed/Organized Play
- 27%  Basketball - Programmed/Organized Play
- 27%  Karate/Self Defense
- 27%  Softball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- 27%  Softball - Programmed/Organized Play
- 27%  Swimming - Open - Outdoor
- 30%  Nature/Outdoor Awareness
- 30%  Picnicking
- 30%  Soccer - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- 30%  Soccer - Programmed/Organized Play
- 30%  Swimming - Open - Indoor
- 31%  Senior Citizen Programs
- 33%  Baseball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- 33%  Basketball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- 33%  Karate/Self Defense
- 33%  Softball - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- 33%  Softball - Programmed/Organized Play
- 33%  Swimming - Open - Outdoor
- 33%  Teen Activities - Open Facility
- 36%  Concerts
- 36%  Football - Casual/Pick-up Games
- 36%  Football - Programmed/Organized Play
- 36%  Golf - Driving Range
- 36%  Movies
- 36%  Pottery/Ceramics Classes
- 36%  Teen Activities - Programmed/Organized
- 36%  Volleyball - Indoors
- 36%  Wrestling
- 38%  Art Fairs
- 39%  Dance Lessons
- 39%  Skateboarding
- 42%  Swimming - Lessons
- 45%  Horse Shoes
- 45%  Racquet/Squash - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- 45%  Sledding/Tobogganing
- 45%  Summer Day Camp
- 45%  Summer Sports Camp
- 45%  Table Tennis
- 45%  Tennis - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
- 48%  Handball - Casual Play
- 48%  Volleyball - Outdoors
- 48%  Water Exercise
- 48%  Frisbee - Programmed/Organized Play

**Between 51% and 75%**
- 52%  Cultural Arts Programs
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52% Gymnastics
52% Handball - Organized Play
52% Racquetball - Programmed/Organized Play
52% Tennis - Lessons
53% Shuffleboard
53% Tennis - Programmed/Organized
55% Cross Country Skiing
55% Full-Day Trips (Senior Citizens)
55% Ice Skating
58% Drawing/Sketching Classes
58% Gardening Club
58% Preschool Programs
61% Overnight Trips
61% Painting Classes
61% Photography Club
64% Full-Day Trips (Youth)
64% Full-Day Trips (Adults)
64% Hockey - Programmed/Organized Play
67% Hockey - Casual Play/Pick-up Games/Pick-up Games

Over 76%
No activities were identified in this category

The following list identifies the activities that respondents rated as a needed activity that isn’t currently provided. These are listed from the most to least needed.

30% Swimming - Open - Indoor
24% Movies
24% Sledding/Tobogganing
21% Water Exercise
21% Nature/Outdoor Awareness
21% Skateboarding
18% Bicycling - Trails in City
18% Frisbee - Programmed/Organized Play
15% Ice Skating
12% Hockey - Casual Play/Pick-up Games
12% Hockey - Programmed/Organized Play
12% Bicycling - Connection to Metro Trails
12% Concerts
12% Cross Country Skiing
12% Gardening Club
9% Golf - Driving Range
9% Cultural Arts Programs
9% Drawing/Sketching Classes
9% Teen Activities - Programmed/Organized
9% Tennis - Lessons
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QUESTION 2 - What is the best method to notify your family about activities which are available in the community? (reflects the number of people who responded to the activity)

Brochures sent to the homes
86% Most Effective
10% Average
3% Least Effective

Brochures available in public outlets
37% Most Effective
27% Average
37% Least Effective

Information through schools
46% Most Effective
14% Average
39% Least Effective

Newspaper
41% Most Effective
31% Average
28% Least Effective

Notices in libraries, community centers
31% Most Effective
34% Average
34% Least Effective

Recreation newsletter
62% Most Effective
28% Average
10% Least Effective

City newsletter
73% Most Effective
13% Average
13% Least Effective

Radio announcements
21% Most Effective
21% Average
57% Least Effective

TV announcements/ Triad TV
25% Most Effective
29% Average
46% Least Effective

Bulletin Board in businesses, churches, etc.
11% Most Effective
15% Average
74% Least Effective
OTHER
Website Assistance from school district

**QUESTION 3 - How would you rate existing parks, recreational facilities and activities in La Vista?**

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Park and open space
57% Excellent
20% Average
23% Poor

Playgrounds
57% Excellent
43% Average
0% Poor

Recreation facilities and fields
73% Excellent
27% Average
0% Poor

Recreation programs
73% Excellent
27% Average
0% Poor

Cultural programs
7% Excellent
38% Average
55% Poor

Special activities
21% Excellent
46% Average
33% Poor

QUESTION 4 - Which of the following financing mechanisms would your family be willing to support in order to provide additional facilities and activities, if necessary?

Tax increase
17% Support
25% Neutral
58% Not Support

Bond issue
44% Support
12% Neutral
44% Not Support

Special fund raising campaigns
81% Support
12% Neutral
8% Not Support
User fees, for specific activities
71% Support
21% Neutral
7% Not Support

Grants
89% Support
7% Neutral
4% Not Support

Others (list)
Government/Private Partnerships
Development Fees
Gambling profits/Keno revenue

**QUESTION 5** - If resources are not available in the community to meet the desires and needs of all residents, how would you rank the following as a priority for your family?

Additional open space and parkland
72% High
21% Medium
7% Low

Additional recreational facilities (fields, special use facilities)
45% High
34% Medium
21% Low

Additional recreational programs
21% High
52% Medium
28% Low

Maintenance of existing facilities/programs
66% High
24% Medium
10% Low

Other (list)
Trails
Gymspace
Open space
QUESTION 6 - Demographics

Majority of respondents
  Live in a household of 1 to 2 people
  Gross household income in 2001 was over $75,000

Within City Limits or Outside City Limits
  60% inside (average number of years in La Vista - 19.2)
  40% outside

QUESTION 7 - Comments/Concerns

- I feel that a degreed/full time position with a high level of experience is needed for the position of La Vista Park Superintendent is going to be needed.
- Need more funds allocated to maintaining golf course, pools, parks.
- Additional space for programs
- I don't believe our city planners are considering enough green space and natural areas that would incorporate walking/biking trails. Additionally, I've been disappointed with the management of the indoor v-ball leagues. Nights available, not limiting size of leagues, fees increasing with no apparent benefit to teams, no standings provided. Would prefer coed leagues at time other than Sunday afternoon, Sunday evening or a week night. We need open space connecting neighborhoods. Use of existing creekways, don't cover them as open space and nature areas.
- Concentrate on doing a better job with the existing programs/facilities. Management of programs/facilities needs to be upgraded. Extended hours of the full-time staff to 7:00 or 8:00 at night to help with question and problems. Better cooperation with school district and surrounding recreation programs.
- Need more community involvement in city on a whole, i.e. community advisory boards, youth volunteers
- New pool should be indoor. Need more open gym time. Fees for programs and activities should be comparable to surrounding communities.
La Vista Parks and Recreation Master Plan Study
MUNICIPAL POOL USER SURVEY

Hello, my name is ________ with Dunbar/Jones Partnership. We are conducting a public opinion survey of La Vista Municipal Pool users. Are you willing to spend a few minutes answering some questions about the La Vista Municipal Pool?

Q1. What is your age?

___ Under 10  ___ 19-25  ___ 66-75
___ 10-12  ___ 26-40  ___ 76 or older
___ 13-15  ___ 41-55  ___ Don’t know / refuse / no answer
___ 16-18  ___ 56-65

Q2. {Interviewer will circle appropriate answer}

___ Male  ___ Female

Q3. Do you live in La Vista?

___ Yes  ___ No

If not, what city (or county) do you live in? _________________________________

Q4. How often do you use the La Vista Municipal Pool?

___ daily  ___ average of once a week
___ 4-6 times a week  ___ 6-10 times a season
___ 1-3 times a week  ___ 1-5 times a season

Q5. How long do you usually stay at the pool?

___ more than 4 hours
___ 2-4 hours
___ less than 2 hours

Q6. What are three things you like best about the La Vista Municipal Pool?

1. ____________________________________________________________________
2. ____________________________________________________________________
3. ____________________________________________________________________

Q7. Please identify three things about the pool that you think should be changed:

1. ____________________________________________________________________
2. ____________________________________________________________________
3. ____________________________________________________________________

Q8. Do you like the location of the pool?

___ Yes  ___ No

Why or why not: ____________________________

____________________________________________________________________
Thank you for your time.

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Swimming Pool Survey Results

Survey Date and Time: July 31, 2002, 10:30 am to 3:30 pm
Location: La Vista Municipal Pool

Q1. What is your age?
   Under 10: 4 16 to 18 4 41 to 55 6 76 & up: 0
   10 to 12: 9 19 to 25: 6 56 to 65: 2 No answer: 0
   13 to 15 6 26 to 40 21 66 to 75: 2

Q2. Gender
   Male: 24 Female: 36

Q3. Do you live in La Vista? If not, what city or county do you live in?
   La Vista: 41 Papillion: 4 Fairview Heights: 1 Ralston: 1
   Omaha: 9 Bellevue: 3 District 66: 1

Q4. How often do you use the La Vista Municipal Pool?
   Daily: 14 1-3 times a week: 8 6-10 times a season: 6
   4-6 times a week: 13 average of once a week: 8 1-5 times a season: 11

Q5. How long do you usually stay at the pool?
   More than 4 hours: 22 2-4 hours: 26 Less than 2 hours: 12

Q6. What are three things you like best about the La Vista Municipal Pool?
   Good Staff and Operations (30)
   • Good management
   • Rules well-enforced
   • They close off diving board sometimes so people can swim in deep end
   • Sufficient time to swim and time for breaks for kids at lessons
   • Staff keeps older kids under control
   • Adult time swimming
   • Hours of operation
   • Excellent, committed lifeguards – very patient and thoughtful with kids
   • Lifeguards – conscientious – spend time with kids
   • Like the lifeguards – very good
   • Lifeguards are great
   • Always lifeguards on duty
   • Lifeguards – good swimming instructors
   • Good lifeguards – give good supervision
   • Good instructors – lifeguards
   • Good lifeguards – instructors
   • Good swimming instructors
   • Great staff – highly disciplined
   • Great staff
   • Good staff
   • Attentive staff
   • Staff
   • Good lifeguards
   • Lifeguards
   • Lifeguards
   • Lifeguards
### Pool Size and Depth (26)
- Shallow end is as shallow as it is
- Gradually sloped bottom – shallow to deep
- Good shallow end for young kids
- Nice shallow end for young kids
- Good shallow end for young kids
- Not extremely deep
- Not too deep to touch the bottom
- Like the deep end swimming
- Swimming in deep end
- Like to swim in deep end
- Deep end
- Deep end
- Like the deep end swimming
- 10 ft. deep end
- Goes to 10 ft. deep
- Depth is OK
- 2 ft. depth area is good for kids
- Size of pool is nice
- Just the right size
- Nice small size
- Like the size – it’s not a huge pool
- Its size – not too big
- Small size
- Not too big
- Size is OK – not too big
- Smaller, more low-key pool

### Nice, Safe Place to Come (25)
- Nice place to be for recreation for kids
- See school friends here
- Nice kids and adults come here
- Everyone is nice
- Kids that come here
- Kids who come here
- Community it is part of
- A nice place – regular local kids – regular attendees
- Lots of people to watch and play with
- Like to bring kids here
- Good place to swim
- Fun place to be
- Not too crowded
- Not crowded
- Not too crowded a lot
- Can relax here
- Cool and wet on a hot day
- Kids that come to the pool
- Not as crowded as some
- It is less crowded in the evening
- Like to go swimming here
- A safe place to come
- Good atmosphere for kids – get to interact with other kids and lifeguards
- Can keep eye on baby pool and big pool at the same time

### Clean and Well-Maintained (24)
- Very clean and well-maintained
- Clean and well-maintained
- Clean and well-kept
- Nice, neat, clean pool
- Whole area always clean
- Very clean
- Very clean
- Cleanliness
- Clean
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- Grounds well-maintained
- Well-maintained
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Swimming Pool Survey

**Pool and Site Amenities (21)**
- More than just a pool – volleyball and kiddie pool too, part of rec complex
- Has playground nearby
- Sand volleyball courts
- Can play volleyball
- Volleyball courts
- Volleyball – something else for kids to do
- Volleyball courts
- Chairs – having them
- Lounge chairs
- Chairs
- Shady area
- Shaded areas
- Picnic area
- Gazebo
- Place in shade for kids to eat
- Picnic area and sand area available
- Open deck area around it
- Well-lit
- Plenty of parking
- Parking is convenient
- Parking -- convenient

**Location in La Vista (14)**
- Location in town
- Location is good
- Located close to home
- Good location
- Location
- Location
- Close to home
- Close by
- Accessible
- Easy to get to
- Close to home -- convenient
- Very close to home
- Close to home

**Diving Board (16)**
- Diving board – do tricks off it
- Diving board
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**Admission Cost (6)**
- Reasonable admission price
- Seems fairly priced
- Prices are moderate
- Cost is reasonable
- Reasonable cost
- Under 5 are free

**Swimming Lessons (3)**
- Offer swimming lessons
- Lessons are convenient
- Swimming lessons

**Baby Pool (3)**
- Baby pool convenient and the right size
- Baby pool – shallow for small kids
- Baby pool
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La Vista Park and Recreation Master Plan
Swimming Pool Survey

Q7.  Please identify three things about the pool you think should be changed.

**Bigger, Deeper Pool (29)**
- Will need to get bigger – it’s often crowded
- Should be bigger – it gets crowded
- Sometimes it’s crowded on a hot day
- Need a bigger pool
- Needs to be bigger – gets crowded
- Bigger – sometimes it gets crowded
- Expand existing pool
- Maybe a little bigger
- Could use a bigger pool
- Make it bigger and deeper
- Maybe a bigger pool
- Make it wider
- Pool should be bigger
- Bigger pool
- Needs to be bigger
- Make the pool bigger
- Bigger pool
- Needs to be bigger
- Make it bigger
- Make it bigger
- Bigger pool so is less crowded
- Sometimes it feels really crowded for kids
- Make it larger
- Make it bigger
- 14 ft. deep area
- Deeper water for high dive
- Make it deeper
- Would be nice if it were deeper
- A little deeper

**More Water Activities (21)**
- More like a water park
- Add fountains in water
- Need some water toys
- Water feature toys
- Could use water activities/toys like at water parks
- More activities for young kids
- Need more water features
- More water toy activities
- Bigger 3 ft. deep section – little kids like it
- Would like zero-depth activities
- Zero depth shallow end
- Zero depth
- Basketball hoops at water
- Basketball hoops in water
- Swimming lanes or a separate lap pool
- Swimming lanes
- Move diving board to center
- Add a hot tub
- Hot tub
- Hot tub

**More Diving Boards (19)**
- Add a high dive and medium dive
- Another diving board a little higher
- High dive and medium dive
- Update and modernize diving board
- Add a high dive
- More diving boards
- High dive
- High dive
- Higher diving board
- High dive
- High dive
- More diving boards
- Put in a high dive
- Diving board lines are too long
- High dive
- Need a high dive
- High dive
- High dive
- Add diving board for little kids
Water Slide (18)
- Would like a slide if it were bigger
- Water slide
- Water slide
- Add a slide
- Add a slide where high dive used to be
- Water slide
- Water slides
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Concession Area/Vending Machines (14)
- Vending machines
- Snack bar-concession stand
- Concession stand
- Add concession stand
- Concession stand
- Vending machines
- Concession stand
- Pop machine
- Concession area
- Concession area
- Concession stand or machine
- Would like a concession stand
- Would like concession stand or vending machines
- Need vending machines or concession stand

Shade Areas (12)
- More shade areas
- More shade – especially around baby pool
- Baby pool needs shade
- More shade areas
- More shade trees
- More shade
- More shade areas around baby pool
- Gazebo should be bigger
- Shady places
- Need umbrellas
- Umbrellas for lifeguard stands
- Raised, shaded platform for watching

Facility and Site Improvements (10)
- Would like to screen from view and sound of traffic on 84th Street
- Need another lifeguard station at shallow end
- Should not be street between parking lot and pool
- Add a chilled water drinking fountain
- P.A. system for music
- Need a sign
- Privacy screen along 84th Street
- Dumpsters in wrong place by front
- More bike racks
- Skate park near it

Baby Pool Improvements (8)
- Baby pool – make more interesting by adding toys or a slide or something
- Baby pool – more toys
- Baby pool need more things to do
- Toys for the baby pool
- Baby pool not big enough and not enough to do
- Bigger baby pool
- Baby pool needs improvements
- Improve toddler pool

Additional Swimming Facilities (6)
- Should plan series of small neighborhood pools like this and a central indoor aquatic facility for whole city
- Indoor – can go all year-round
- Would like to plan for another pool out west
- Build an additional pool west and keep this, too
- Would like year-round indoor-outdoor pool
- Only pool in La Vista
Management and Operations (6)
• Want rest break shortened to 3 minutes
• 3-minute rest break
• Should allow kids to wear life jackets
• Keep balls out so people don’t get hit
• Water is always cold
• Prices too high

Bath House Improvements (5)
• Bath house is “tired”
• Interior – locker rooms need updating
• Need better locker rooms
• Lockers would be good
• Don’t like the blue and yellow paint

Longer Season (5)
• Wish season were longer
• Season ends too early in August
• Stay open longer in summer
• Open longer in the season late in the summer
• Open after school when school starts

More Chairs (5)
• More seating
• Lounge chairs – need more
• More chairs
• More chairs

Programs (4)
• Business/group/organization memberships
• Add water aerobics for adults
• Adult water aerobics
• Swim team

Difficult Location (3)
• Hard to get to from east of 84th Street
• Access – hard to get to
• Move it to the Rec Center area

Q8. Do you like the location of the pool?
Yes: 55 No: 3 No response: 2

Yes – Close to home (28)
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – I live close by
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to my home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – Close to home
• Yes – I live very close to the pool
• Yes – I live in the area
• Yes – In the neighborhood
• Yes – I live down the street and can ride my bike here
Yes – Convenient Location (10)
- Yes – Convenient; close to 84th Street
- Yes – Very convenient
- Yes – Close and convenient to get to
- Yes – Easy to get to
- Yes – Convenient to meet family here

Yes – Centrally Located in La Vista (6)
- Yes – Centrally located for La Vista right now
- Yes – Accessible; centrally located for us

Yes – Secluded Location (6)
- Yes – Kind of out of the way and secluded
- Yes – Close but out of the way
- Yes – It’s in a more low-key, secluded area

Yes – Other (5)
- Yes – Friends come here and I can play with them
- Yes – It’s in the sun and the water’s cold and it keeps me cool.

No – Hard to get to from east of 84th Street (3)
- No – Hard to get to from east of 84th St
- No – Across 84th so I can’t walk here

No – Other (2)
- No – Hard to get to and explain to people how to get here
- No – A bit close to 84th Street

- Yes – Close to family
- Yes – Not far from day care
- Yes – Real close to where I work
- Yes – Can see from 84th Street; easy to find

- Yes – Centrally located
- Yes – In the middle of town
- Yes – In the heart of La Vista
- Yes – Right in the middle of La Vista

- Yes – Out of the way place, where there’s not much traffic
- Yes – Convenient and out of way in its own corner where there’s not much traffic
- Yes -- No through traffic

- Yes – Good for neighborhood
- Yes – Serves local community
- Yes – Good for neighborhood kids

- No – Hard to get west across 84th Street for kids to get to the pool

- No – Hard to get to and explain to people how to get here
- No – A bit close to 84th Street