

**AGENDA
OURAY CITY COUNCIL**

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 - 1:00 PM

**Ouray Community Center
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Ouray City Council Work Session

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. DISCUSSION ITEM - Parks Plan and Priorities

THE CITY OF
OURAY
PARKS AND TRAILS

STRATEGIC PLAN

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City of Ouray looking north - 2023

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 The City of Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan 2023
 The City of Ouray Community Plan 2021
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Cascade Falls Waterfall - 2023

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Project Background

Two documents were referenced in the preparation of this parks and trails strategic plan document: *The City of Ouray Strategic Planning 2023* and *The City of Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan* (October, 2023)." (On the adjacent page is a summary of each of these plans.) These documents were prepared with direction from Ouray's City Council and with input from the community as part of an extensive public process. DHM Design reviewed these documents and worked with Ouray City Council and the City Administrator to prepare this *Parks and Trails Strategic Plan* (2024) that acts as a supplemental reference document to the 2023 Strategic Plan and is solely focused on the planning and phasing of improvements for Ouray's parks and trails.

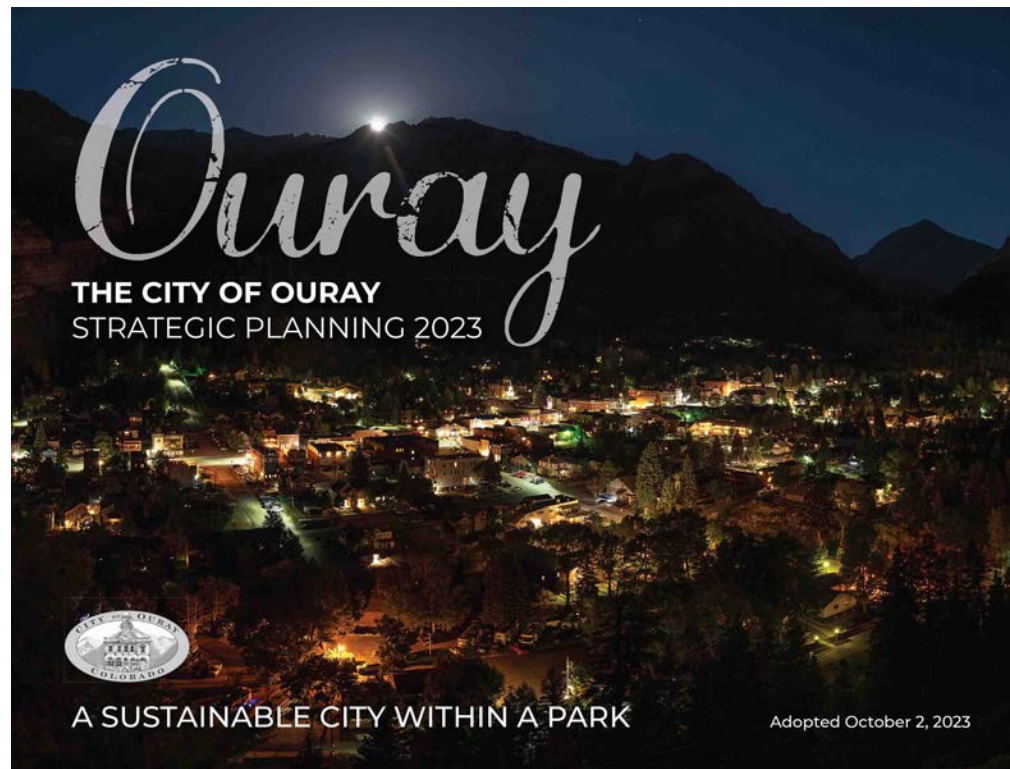
Executive Summary

This Parks and Trails Strategic Plan was prepared in 2024 by DHM Design in coordination with the Ouray City Council and City Administrator at three in-person work sessions at City Hall's Council Chambers. These were held on Monday, January 22nd; Tuesday, February 20th; and Monday, April 15th. This plan features a six (6) year timeframe for the implementation of proposed parks and trails improvements that were vetted in the 2023 public process as part of the *The City of Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan* project. The years studied in this plan are from 2024 (Year 0) through 2029 (Year 5). This timeframe is shown in tables (starting on page 22 of this document) that correlate to the City's allocated funds for each proposed park or trail project. Some of these represent schematic design planning efforts, while others feature fully built works. (Refer to the descriptions of each item in the tables starting on page 6.) Several improvements are described in the 2023 master plan are not shown in this report. These are potential future planning efforts that can be evaluated in 2030 with an update to this Parks and Trails Strategic Plan. Ouray's proposed parks and trails that feature projects in this strategic plan are listed below.

- Ouray Trails (Perimeter Trail and Uncompahgre River Walk)
- Fellin Park
- Box Cañon
- The Ice Park and Via Ferrata
- Rotary Park
- Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall)
- Lee's Ski Hill
- Woman's Club Mini-Park

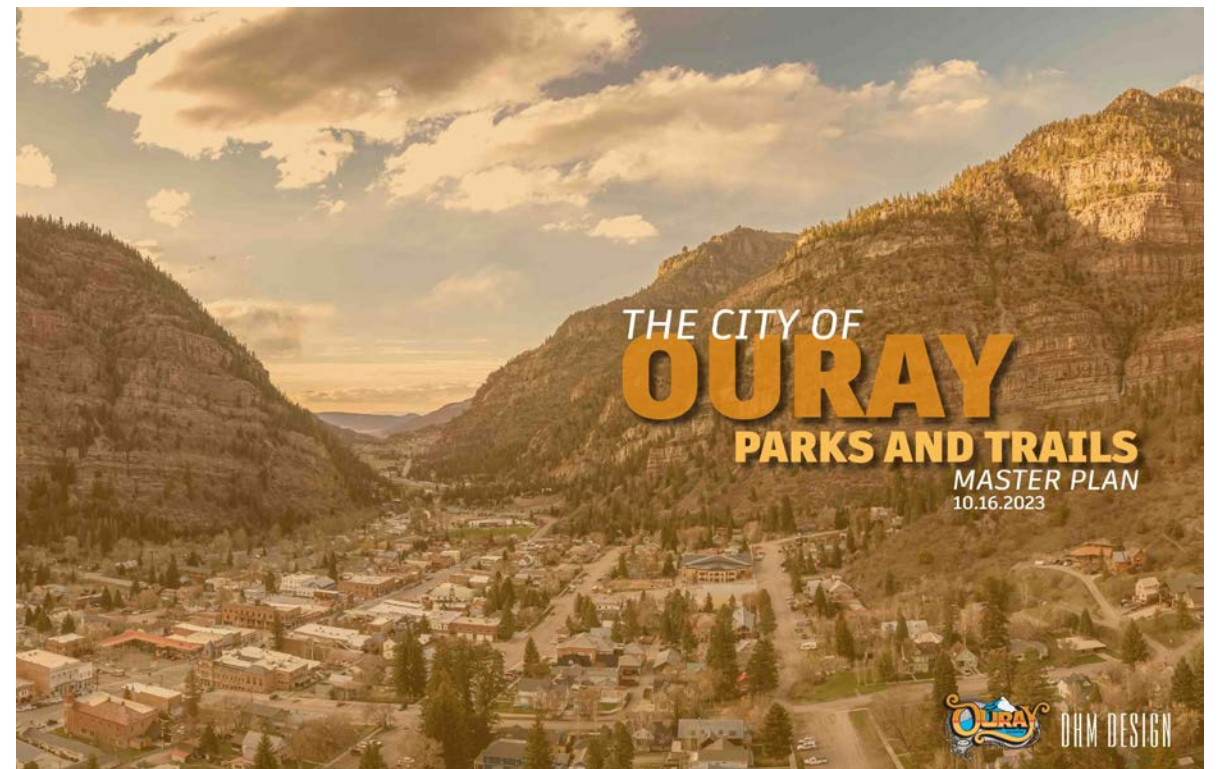
City of Ouray Strategic Plan

The City Council of Ouray utilized the Community Plan, updated in 2021, to develop a comprehensive Strategic Plan aimed at realizing the community's vision of a vibrant, thriving, and healthy city. (The state of Colorado requires that a community plan be developed in order to guide the growth and development of municipalities.) The Strategic Plan was drafted in conjunction with input from local stakeholders and residents and then refined by the Mayor and City Manager. It the vision for the entire community and is utilized by the City Council, Planning Commission, city staff, elected officials, committee members, city nonprofits, private businesses, and other boards and commissions of the City of Ouray to guide policy and decision-making. Within the document, specific focus areas and priorities to be achieved within a 5-year timeframe are described. It serves as a practical framework to materialize the aspirations outlined in the Community Plan by providing detailed strategies, timelines, and priorities, particularly emphasizing goals like "Housing Attainability." The Strategic Plan is designed to be a dynamic document, continually updated to reflect progress and changing community needs.



City of Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan

The Parks and Trails Master Plan (2023) refined the open space, parks, and trails vision as was outlined in the City's 2021 Community Plan and the 2009 Parks Master Plan. To develop this master plan, DHM Design looked at the parks and trails in and around the existing City network and evaluated the feasibility of the proposed facilities improvements that were outlined for Ouray's recreation amenities from the Community Plan. The study area encompassed the Ouray city limits, which features approximately 23 acres of parks and open space. The parks and trails studied included: Fellin Park, Box Cañon, the Ice Park and Via Ferrata, Rotary Park, Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall), Lee's Ski Hill, Woman's Club Mini-Park, the Dog Park, Vinegar Hill (Skedding Hill), the Uncompahgre River Walk, and the Perimeter Trail. To develop the master plan, the design team underwent a public process that included both public and private stakeholder meetings and an online survey to receive input from the community. Recommendations for each of Ouray's parks and trails in the study area were prepared with graphic master plans, maps, cost estimates, and funding and implementation strategies that the city can use to guide future development.



STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: OURAY TRAILS

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Goal: Improve Ouray's trail network and maintenance.

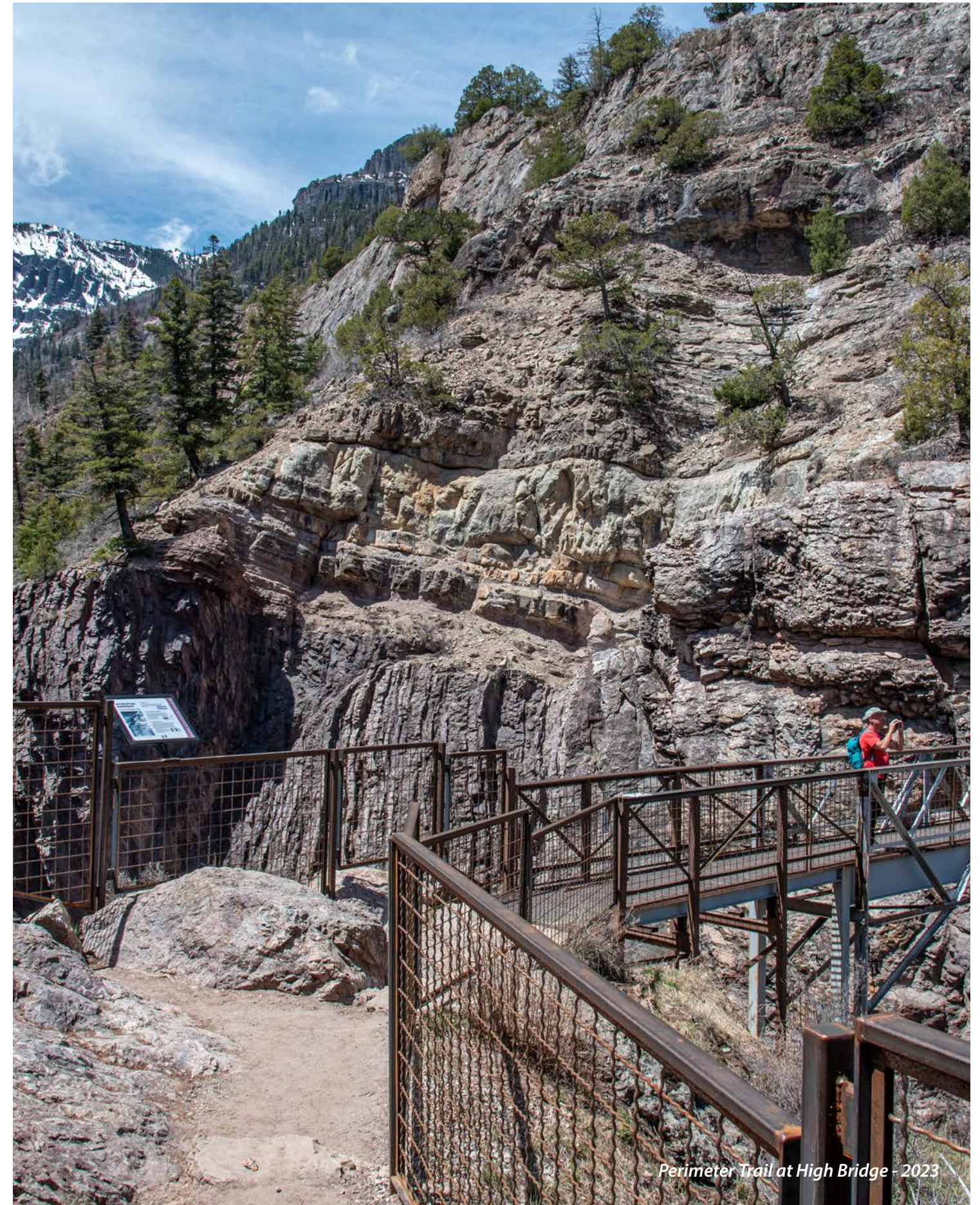
Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
Create an Extension of the Uncompahgre River Walk Trail (Schematic Design; in progress)	Create an extension of the Uncompahgre Walk Trail through the City along the Uncompahgre River all the way from Box Cañon to Chautauqua Lane	High	Short-Term	1) City acquisition of easements; 2) Prepare Schematic Design drawings; 3) Locate potential funding opportunities/grants
Uncompahgre River Walk Seasonal Maintenance	Uncompahgre River Walk maintenance for willows and surfacing in summer and for Nordic Ski trails in the winter	Low	Short-Term	1) Allocate funding and time for maintenance from City budget 2) Determine potential to coordinate with non-profit organizations for maintenance
Wayfinding Improvements (in progress)	Improve wayfinding from Main Street to Perimeter Trail trailheads and parking; add wayfinding along Main Street from 7th Avenue south to 3rd Avenue south	High	Short-Term	1) Hired design company to develop City signage and wayfinding recommendations (in progress); 2) Fabrication and installation of signs
Uncompahgre Road Parking and Access Improvements (in progress)	Add parking and create wheelchair access at Uncompahgre Road on the east side of the river	Medium	Short-Term	1) Complete Schematic Design (SD) drawings/plans for this area and hire a contractor to build; or 2) Work with City maintenance staff to design-build these improvements (in progress)
Improve Pedestrian Wayfinding Route through Fellin Park to Access the Perimeter Trail	Create better route and wayfinding through Fellin Park to cross HWY 550 (with a new pedestrian crosswalk) and access the Perimeter Trail	High	Short-Term	1) Complete Schematic Design (SD) drawings/plans (in progress); 2) Install wayfinding signs; 3) Hire contractor to construct pedestrian crossing at HWY 550
Improve Uncompahgre River Walk Access near Fellin Park	Improve Uncompahgre River Walk access near Fellin Park by HWY 550 on the east side of the river	High	Short-Term	1) Complete Schematic Design (SD) drawings/plans; 2) Prepare construction documents or design-build trail
Uncompahgre River Walk Signage	Provide general trail wayfinding and use etiquette signage (approved by Conservation Easement) for Nordic trails	Medium	Short-Term	1) Prepare signage design(s) and receive approval from Conservation Easement; 2) Hire sign fabricator to make signs and have City maintenance crew install signs
Improve Chautauqua Lane Trail Connection	Improve connection from Rotary Park to river walk via Chautauqua Lane with a crosswalk at HWY 550; provide new ramp with curb cut from housing to river walk	Medium	Medium-Term	1) Complete Schematic Design (SD) drawings/plans; 2) Prepare construction documents; 3) Hire contractor to construct pedestrian crossing at HWY 550
Improve West Side Access to Uncompahgre River Walk	Create better west side access from Fellin Park to the Uncompahgre River Walk (with parking and ramp)	Low	Medium-Term	1) Complete Schematic Design (SD) drawings/plans; 2) Prepare construction documents or design-build trail
Improve Perimeter Trail Section North of 5th Avenue Entrance	Improve section of Perimeter Trail north of 5th Avenue entrance; provide wayfinding	Low	Long-Term	1) Complete schematic design (SD) drawings/plans; 2) Work with the Ouray Trail Group to design-build trail
City Acquisition of Perimeter Trail	City to work on acquiring entire Perimeter Trail to ensure that the trail can never be privatized	High	Long-Term	1) City to budget funding and develop plan/timeframe for land acquisition 2) City to acquire trail
Create an Extension of the Uncompahgre River Walk Trail (Construction)	Create an extension of the Uncompahgre Walk Trail through the City along the Uncompahgre River all the way from Box Cañon to Chautauqua Lane	High	Long-Term	1) Hire design consultants to complete construction documents; 2) Hire contractor to construct project

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Objective 1: Seek out trail/transportation potential grant funding.

Objective 2: Allocate funding for proposed trail improvements and maintenance.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Determine desired materiality of trail; maintain route as close to the river as possible; create connection from Fellin Park to Box Cañon	Potential trails and transportation grants could be acquired to help with funding
Ensuring seasonal maintenance is part of the City's budget/schedule	Potential to coordinate with non-profit organizations for maintenance
Completion of signage/wayfinding master plan for use as a guide; fabrication/installation of signs	Potential for non-profit groups to pay for various wayfinding signs (i.e. - trails-focused signs could be funded by a trails group)
Improving parking and accessibility for users at Uncompahgre Road	City maintenance crew staff
Work with CDOT and Colorado Main Street Program to design/construct HWY 550 crossing; improve wayfinding and safety	Colorado Main Street Program and other potential trail/transportation grants could help with funding
Ensure that pedestrian safety and accessibility is improved	Potential trails and transportation grants could be acquired to help with funding
Design signs and receive approval from Conservation Easement; ensure simplicity and ease of legibility	Nordic Group, Conservation Easement, or other potential non-profit groups could help with sign funding
Match timeline with Phase 2 of WaterView (PUD); Work with CDOT to construct HWY 550 crossing	Colorado Main Street Program and other potential trail/transportation grants could help with funding
Complete design for approval; ensure that pedestrian safety and accessibility is improved	Potential trails and transportation grants could be acquired to help with funding
Coordinate with the Ouray Trail Group; ensure that pedestrian safety and accessibility is improved	Potential for the Ouray Trail Group or other non-profit organization to help fund this project
Complete work plan for this project; City to acquire trail via easements, etc.	Potential trails grants could be acquired to help with funding
Complete acquisition of easements; create connection from Fellin Park to Box Cañon	Potential trails and transportation grants could be acquired to help with funding



STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: FELLIN PARK 1/2

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Goal: Improve Fellin Park per community's recommendations.

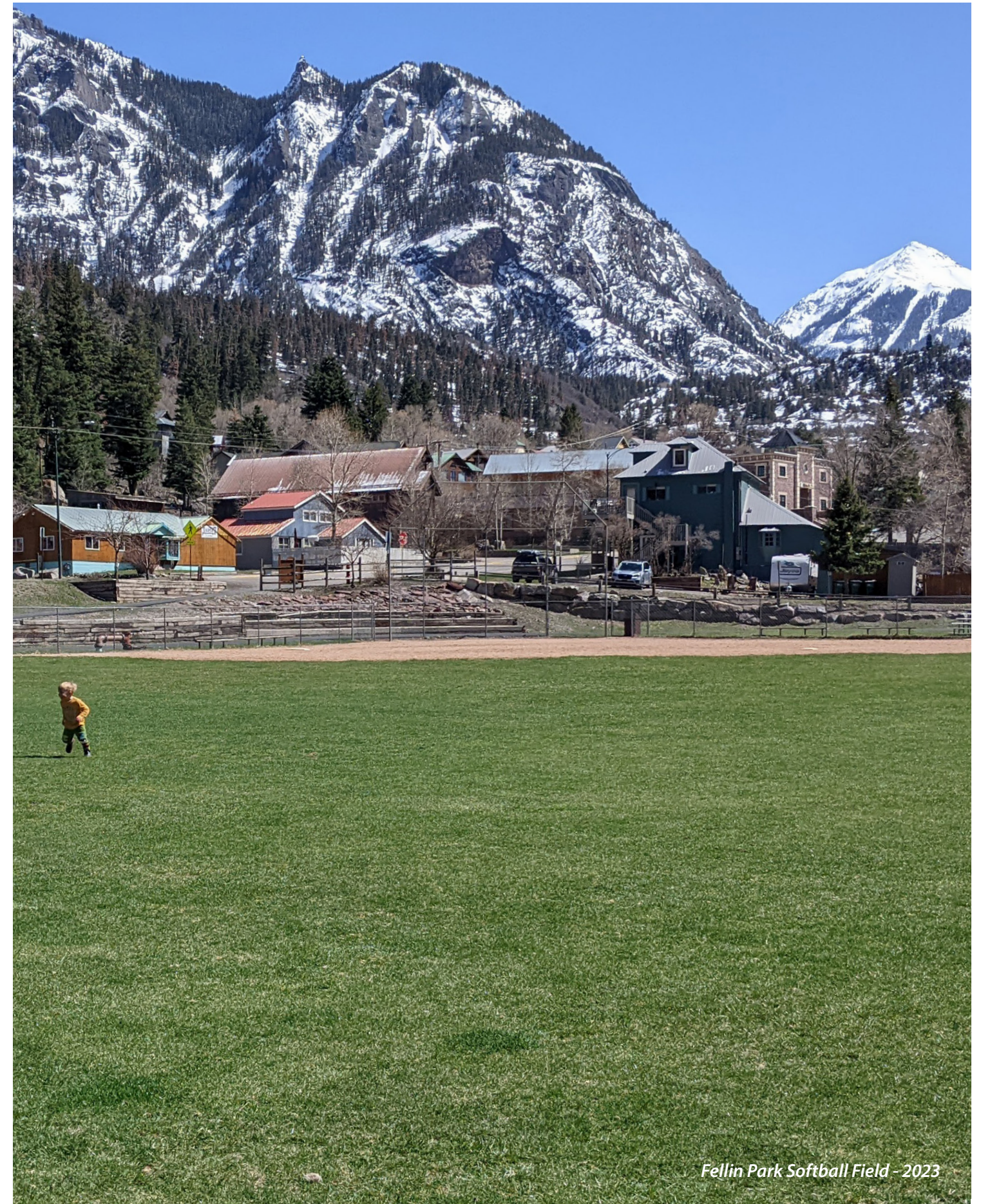
Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
New Restroom (in progress)	New restroom facility is currently under construction (slated for completion in 2024)	High	Short-Term	Complete construction of new restrooms; repair any damaged landscaping areas; open to the public for use
Demolish Existing Restrooms (in progress)	Demolish old restroom facilities upon completion of new restrooms at Fellin Park	High	Short-Term	Demolish and haul off old restroom building materials; dispose of safely off-site at proper location
Demolish Existing Skate Park	Demolish existing skate park ramp in state of disrepair; replace with grass and install a City bench, bike rack, or other site furnishings into the space	High	Short-Term	City maintenance crew to demolish and haul off old skate park cement material; dispose of safely off-site at proper location; install landscaping and site furnishing
Special Event Food Truck Area	Prepare a temporary open area designated for food truck use during special events only prior to construction of new stage	High	Short-Term	1) Determine temporary food truck area that can be used during special events; 2) City maintenance crew to prepare space with crusher fines or other simple improvements
Fix Drainage at Hot Springs Parking Lot (design; in progress)	Fix drainage at Hot Springs/Fellin Park Parking Lot (design)	High	Short-Term	1) Determine timeframe for improvements; 2) Prepare design for drainage improvements
Fix Drainage at Hot Springs Parking Lot (construction)	Fix drainage at Hot Springs/Fellin Park Parking Lot (construction)	High	Short-Term	Schedule City maintenance crew work
Permanent Stage Schematic Design (in progress)	Prepare a permanent stage design for Fellin Park; a Schematic Design package for the stage is slated for completion in 2024	High	Short-Term	Prepare Schematic Design for a permanent stage (this process involved public input, review by the City and City Council, and design review by sound and structural engineers starting in 2023)
New Bath House/Weight Room Schematic Design (in progress)	Prepare Schematic Design documents for a New Bath House, weight room building, and parking to replace the existing bath house; a new bath house has been desired by the community and in discussion for many years in Ouray	High	Short-Term	1) Prepare Schematic Design documents for a New Bath House, parking and potentially a new weight room building; 2) Allocate/set aside funding for construction; 3) Look into and vet potential funding options
Banner Sign Frame near Fellin Park Entrance	Construct a Banner Sign Frame; locate where ramp descends by the Fellin Park entrance	Medium	Short-Term	1) Consult CDOT for requirements for advertising along HWY 550; 2) Prepare construction documents (landscape architect and structural engineer) and hire a contractor/local artist to fabricate the banner sign frame
Event Edge Delineation	Determine, purchase, and install improved event delineation via fencing and/or staking that reduces setup effort, is aesthetically-pleasing, and durable	High	Short-Term	1) Determine fencing design (consider placement, fabrication, safety, durability, etc.); 2) Purchase fencing and install any permanent products needed, store remaining items for event use
Overflow RV Parking Lot Delineation Improvements	Better delineation at overflow RV parking lot via temporary paint striping or with recycled fire hose staking/striping for lines	High	Short-Term	1) Determine method for striping and layout; 2) Coordinate/schedule City maintenance crew installation
Improve Fish Pond Parking Area	Improvements to fish pond parking area; move fence in approximately three feet to add several parking spaces and improve safety; match fence at Rotary Park	Medium	Short-Term	1) Complete design for parking area improvements; 2) Coordinate/schedule with contractor or City maintenance crew for installation

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Objective 1: Incorporate improvements from the Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Objective 2: Determine budgets and timeframes for installation of improvements.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Open restroom facilities to public; prepare cleaning/maintenance schedule	Construction company and City maintenance crew
Demolish and haul off old restroom building materials	Construction company and/or City maintenance crew
Demolish and haul off old skate park materials; determine location and timeframe for replacement skate park construction	Construction company and/or City maintenance crew
Allocate and prepare a space for a temporary food truck area; ensure aesthetics and that area is low maintenance	City maintenance crew
Ensure drainage is improved while aesthetics and circulation are maintained	City maintenance crew
Completion of drainage improvements; ensure drainage is improved while aesthetics and circulation are maintained	City maintenance crew
Completion and adoption by City Council of Schematic Design stage package	Architect, sound engineer, structural engineer involvement in Schematic Design package; could potentially look into grants or private donations
Complete Schematic Design drawings; ensure aesthetics, size, etc. match community goals for now and in future; determine funding source(s)	Local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, private donations, etc. could help fund this project
Confirm design standards for banner sign frame with CDOT; match local aesthetics in design of banner frame	Potential wayfinding/signage grants are available that could help fund this
Determine and test fencing method; ensure compliance with liquor laws; purchase and install/store event fencing	City maintenance crew for fencing installation
Confirm ease of use and maneuverability for oversized vehicles in parking delineation	City maintenance crew for striping installation
Ensure parking area is safely designed for use by HWY 550; ensure accessibility and pedestrian safety from parking area to Fellin Park	Construction company and/or City maintenance crew



Fellin Park Softball Field - 2023

STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: FELLIN PARK *2/2*

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Goal: Improve Fellin Park per community's recommendations.

Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
Vendor Area Improvements	Improvements to food truck area; includes approximately six vendor power hookups and stabilized crusher fines pavement	Medium	Medium-Term	1) Complete design-build of permanent vendor/food truck area; 2) Coordinate/schedule construction with City maintenance crew or contractor
Track and Field Improvements	Install improvements to high school track and field areas (create a 100 meter long straightaway, a regulation-sized long jump pit, and a discuss/shot-put throwing platform in the softball field)	Medium	Medium-Term	1) Complete construction documents for these improvements; 2) Coordinate/schedule construction in correlation with the permanent stage construction project
Permanent Stage Construction	Improve the picnicking plaza space by the new restrooms, and create an improved vendor staging area along the river with power hookups/electrical/ lights needed for stage	High	Medium-Term	1) Complete construction documents for permanent stage design; 2) Allocate/budget monies for construction; 3) Hire contractor to build the stage
New Bath House/Weight Room Construction	Construct a New Bath House with potentially a new weight room building, and reconfigured parking lot/drop-off area; also demolish existing bath house; actual construction may be split into several projects	High	Medium-Term	1) Hire architect and complete construction documents for new bath house and potential new weight room building; 2) Allocate/budget monies for construction; 3) Hire contractor to build the new bath house and reconfigured parking/drop-off areas
Miner's Park Improvements	Schematic Design through construction of improvements to Miner's Park to make more multi-functional—includes reorganizing some of the event locations, installing planting beds with trees and fencing, a new gateway entrance, informational signage, and crusher fines accessible surfacing; also create a Miner's Walk with lighting, landscape beds, informational signage, and mining features along the loop trail by HWY 550	High	Medium-Term	1) Hire designer to complete construction documents for improvements to Miner's Heritage Park and the Miner's Walk areas; 2) Allocate/budget monies for construction; 3) Hire contractor/ landscape contractor to build the improvements
Resurface Existing Basketball Court	Resurface the existing basketball court to fix deteriorating concrete surfacing	Medium	Long-Term	1) Complete design-build of resurfaced basketball court; 2) Coordinate/schedule construction with City maintenance crew or concrete construction contractor

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Objective 1: Incorporate improvements from the Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Objective 2: Determine budgets and timeframes for installation of improvements.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Ensure ease of access and use for food truck vehicles; coordinate work with construction of permanent stage project	Construction company and/or City maintenance crew to fabricate; potential for private donations to help fund this and permanent stage project
Coordinate with school for improvements to track and field areas; coordinate work with construction of permanent stage project	Construction company and/or City maintenance crew to fabricate; potential for private donations to help fund this and permanent stage project
Ensure stage matches local architectural aesthetics; coordinate with Mountain Air Music Series on schedule of stage construction; ensure other amenities that are impacted by the stage are slated for construction improvements - i.e. - track and field	Construction company to fabricate; local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, private donations, etc. could help fund this project
Ensure new building(s) match local architectural aesthetics; maintain access to Hot Springs and Fellin Park during Bath House reconstruction; ensure new parking/drop-off circulation is easy for visitors to navigate	Construction company to fabricate; local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, private donations, etc. could help fund this project
Coordination with Highgraders group on proposed improvements to Miner's Heritage Park and Miner's Historical Walk improvements; ensure that local aesthetics are preserved in design; ensure that history is emphasized through informational signage and design	Construction company/landscape contractor to fabricate; local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, private donations, etc. could help fund this project
Coordination with Highgraders group on proposed improvements to basketball court; ensure longevity and ease of maintenance for proposed improvement design; schedule snow removal in winter into City maintenance for basketball court to reduce exposure to freeze/thaw and improve longevity	Construction company and/or City maintenance crew to fabricate; potential for private donations to help fund this project



Fish Pond at Fellin Park - 2023

STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: BOX CAÑON

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Goal: Improve Box Cañon per community's recommendations.

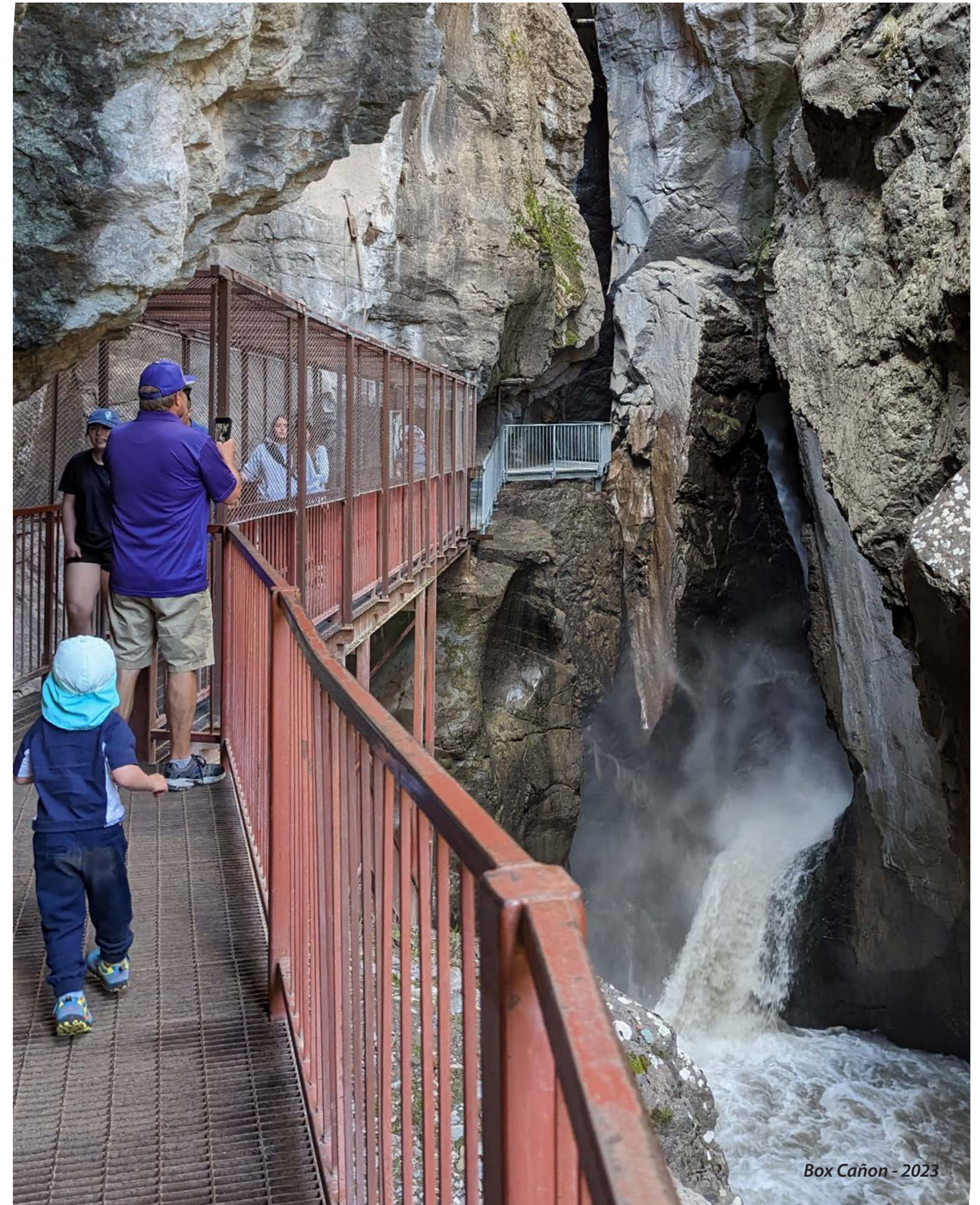
Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
Improvements to Visitor Center	Make a one-way improvement for the flow of visitors through the Visitor Center by adding another door; provide signage for the entrance and exit	High	Short-Term	1) Design-build improvements; 2) Hire construction contractor and/or City maintenance crew for fabrication of improvements
Improve Wayfinding and Trail Access from the HWY 550 Overflow Lot	Improve wayfinding and trail access from the HWY 550 horseshoe-shaped overflow lot (design for this is currently underway via the CDOT Main Street Program)	High	Short-Term	1) Complete design for wayfinding and trail access improvements in coordination with CDOT; 2) Schedule improvements; 3) Hire contractor to build improvements
Visitor Center Parking Lot Delineation Improvements	Improve parking lot delineation and efficiency at the Visitor Center; this could be accomplished through temporary paint striping, using old firetruck water hoses staked into the ground, or in the future paving and striping the lot; tie into annual maintenance efforts	High	Short-Term	1) Determine best method for parking delineation; 2) Install parking delineation; 3) Incorporate Box Cañon parking delineation into annual City maintenance budget and schedule
Trail Access Improvements (construction)	Construct a pedestrian bridge and trail system over the Uncompahgre River Gorge at Box Cañon; improve wayfinding and trail access from the City at the intersection of Oak Street, 3rd Avenue, and Box Cañon Road (part of Jacobson Bridge)	High	Medium-Term	1) Consult with structural engineer to determine potential for bridge development; 2) Prepare construction documents and wayfinding signage designs; 3) Construct bridge, trail, and fabricate and install wayfinding signs

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Objective 1: Incorporate improvements from the Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Objective 2: Determine budgets and timeframes for installation of improvements.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Improving wayfinding and flow of visitors through Welcome Center	Construction company and/or City maintenance crew to fabricate; potential for private donations to help fund this project
Coordinate with CDOT on proposed improvements; ensure pedestrian safety and wayfinding is provided for with new trail and sign improvements	Colorado Main Street Program and other potential trails and wayfinding grants could help fund this project
Determine best method for parking delineation - consider maintenance, ease of installation, longevity, ease for visitor use	City maintenance crew to install and maintain; schedule into annual City maintenance budget
Determine feasibility (cost/constructability/etc.) of bridge over the Uncompahgre River Gorge; ensure pedestrian accessibility to Box Cañon is improved; ensure wayfinding signs are legible and easy to understand	Potential trails, transportation, and wayfinding grants could be acquired to help with funding



STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: ICE PARK & VIA FERRATA

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
Construct New Restroom en route to Dick's Chalet (in progress)	Construct new restroom en route to Dick's Chalet; this is currently in progress	High	Short-Term	1) Complete design for new restroom (vault toilet); 2) Coordinate with Ouray Ice Park and Ouray Via Ferrata groups; 3) Hire contractor to construct facility
Obtain Lands currently held by Public/Private Parties to Create Inclusiveness	Obtain all land currently held by public and private parties to create inclusiveness for Ice Park and Via Ferrata; the City of Ouray to ensure these amenities to be open for public use	High	Short-Term	City to allocate funding and acquire lands used for the Ice Park and Via Ferrata
Improve Route Access by Enhancing Wayfinding and Trails from Parking Areas	Improve ice climbing and via ferrata route access by enhancing wayfinding and trails from parking areas to climbing and viewing areas; could design as part of the existing wayfinding project	High	Short-Term	1) Complete design for improved trails and wayfinding; 2) Determine cost and allocate funding for construction; 3) Hire contractor and sign fabricator to build trails and signs

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Goal: Improve the Ice Park and Via Ferrata per community's recommendations.

Objective 1: Incorporate improvements from the Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Objective 2: Determine budgets and timeframes for installation of improvements.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Open a permanent restroom facility by the Ice Park/Via Ferrata for public use; ensure longevity, ease of maintenance, and complementary aesthetics to Ouray architecture	Construction contractor to build restroom
City acquisition of Ice Park/Via Ferrata lands to ensure that these amenities are not privatized	Local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, private donations, etc. could help fund this project
Ensure pedestrian wayfinding is improved with sign design - consider legibility, simplicity, and ease of understanding; ensure pedestrian access is improved via trail design	Potential trails, transportation, and wayfinding grants could be acquired to help with funding



Ouray Ice Park - 2022

STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: ROTARY PARK 1/2

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Goal: Improve Rotary Park per community's recommendations.

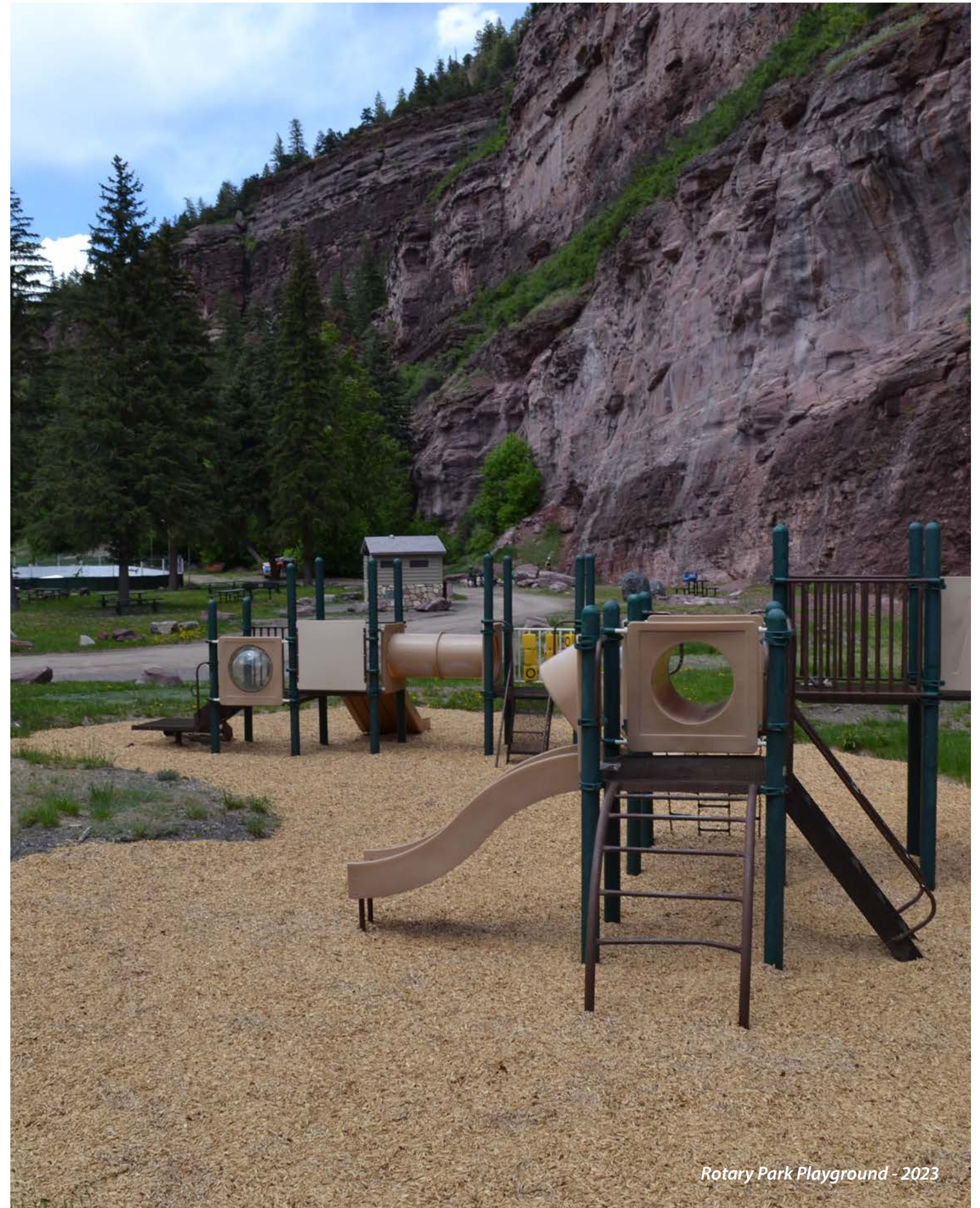
Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
Improved Park Entryway	Improve park entryway with a new entry sign at the north end of the park (this could be part of the current wayfinding project); consider naming of the park	High	Short-Term	1) Complete sign design and determine park naming; 2) Determine funding sources; 3) Hire contractor to fabricate sign
Practice Boulder Climbing Area	Construct a natural practice climbing boulder/bouldering area by the new climbing information kiosk	High	Short-Term	1) Coordinate with other municipalities (potentially Telluride/ Mountain Village) to acquire boulder or purchase/fabricate boulder; 2) Hire transportation for boulder to Rotary Park; 3) Hire construction company to install boulder and safety surfacing
New Competition Climbing Tower	Install a new competition climbing tower positioned at the south park entrance to act as a vertical terminus to the Uncompahgre River Walk connection via Chautauqua Lane	Medium	Medium-Term	1) Determine product for climbing tower; 2) Determine budget and location for product; 3) Purchase and install climbing tower (hire professional installation company)
Picnic Area Improvements	Install picnic area improvements including new tables, stabilized crusher fines, and footings to mount tables so make them not movable (for safety to keep them out of rockfall zone areas)	High	Medium-Term	1) Determine locations for tables; 2) Acquire materials and install footings, paving materials, and other improvements (with contractor or City maintenance crew)
Consolidate Vehicular and Parking Areas	Consolidate the parking and vehicular drive lanes at Rotary Park to one area to free up park space for more activities; create improved concrete walk connections to park features	Medium	Medium-Term	1) Prepare construction documents for design of these improvements; 2) Hire contractor to build (coordinate with improving park landscaping project)
Improve Park Landscaping	Improve landscape areas with turf/lawn spaces, irrigation, revegetation, soil improvements, and new trees	Medium	Medium-Term	1) Prepare construction documents for design of these improvements; 2) Hire landscape contractor to install (coordinate with consolidating drive lanes and parking areas project)
Design New Skate Park (relocated from Fellin Park)	Design a new skate park facility at Rotary Park; this could be incorporated at the flexible park space shown in the 2023 Parks and Trails Master Plan document	Medium	Medium-Term	1) Hire professional skate park design company to design a skate park at Rotary Park; 2) Confirm location for new skate park; 3) Start allocating funding/applying for grants to construct this project
New Skate Park (Construction)	Construct/replace skate park at Rotary Park (relocated from Fellin Park); coordinate effort with new nearby housing development since this area will house the younger families and children in the community	Medium	Long-Term	Hire contractor experienced in skate park construction to build project
New Playground & Strider Track	Build a new playground and strider track loop path	Medium	Long-Term	1) Hire landscape architect or playground equipment company to design new playground and strider track; 2) Hire certified playground installer to build playground
Design for Paving at Ice Rink (to make Multi-Functional for Pickleball in the Summer)	Prepare Schematic Design and engineering plans for installing a full cover ice rink with concrete pavement surfacing and striping for (4) pickleball courts for summer use; this space could also host craft fairs and farmer's market events	Medium	Long-Term	1) Hire design and/or engineering firm to prepare Schematic Design plans and determine feasibility of project (costs, maintenance, etc.); 2) Look into potential funding options for project construction
New Ice Rink (Construction)	Prepare construction documents for installing a full cover ice rink with concrete pavement surfacing and striping for (4) pickleball courts for summer use; this space could also host craft fairs and farmer's market events	Medium	Long-Term	1) Hire a construction company with experience in concrete work and structure/building fabrication to construct ice rink shelter and concrete pavement

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Objective 1: Incorporate improvements from the Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Objective 2: Determine budgets and timeframes for installation of improvements.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Design and construction of new entry sign that improves visibility and legibility of park name; match new wayfinding standards/colors/architectural themes in Ouray	Rotary Club (in Montrose) may be able to help with the sign effort and contribute funding
Acquisition, transportation, and installation of a natural climbing boulder that can be used as a demonstration/practice climbing area for park visitors	Potential donation of boulder from Mountain Village/Telluride or other municipality; potential for private donations or outdoor recreation grant to help with funding project
Purchase and install a pre-fabricated climbing wall product that is competition-rated with movable panels; coordinate on aesthetics	Potential for private donations or outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project
Determine safe location(s) for picnic tables and mount site furnishings so that they are not beneath climbing areas in the rockfall zone	Potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project; City maintenance crew could install this project
Simplify parking and drive lanes through Rotary Park to improve flow of vehicular traffic and to maximize connected park amenity spaces	Local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, and potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project
Improve lawn areas and add trees with irrigation to enhance park aesthetics	Local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, and potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project
Confirm desired location; hire professional Skate Park design company for completion of design and construction documents	Potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project
Allocate budget for project and/or apply for potential grants; hire contractor with experience in building skate parks to construct skate park; ensure completion/timing with new housing	Local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, and potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project
Provision of a playground that offers amenities for 2-5 and 5-12; creation of a strider track loop path around the playground area(s)	Local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, and potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project
Provide post-tension slab pavement design for 2-4 pickleball courts; remaining paved area can be typical concrete design; ensure design creates multi-use surface for potential events such as summer farmer's markets	Potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project
Design of structure shall be in fitting with local architectural aesthetics; provide a permanent cover that reduces maintenance requirements and increases longevity	Local appropriations, creation of a designated fund, private donations, and potential for outdoor recreation grants to help with funding project



STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: ROTARY PARK 2/2

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Goal: Improve Rotary Park per community's recommendations.

Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
New Zamboni with Storage Area	City to purchase a new/used zamboni machine to improve ice maintenance/longevity and construct a new covered zamboni storage area	Low	Long-Term	1) Determine if a new or used machine is preferred; 2) Purchase machine and transport to Rotary Park; 3) Purchase storage building from manufacturer or hire architect to design the structure; 4) Hire contractor to construct new zamboni storage building
Warming Hut and Picnic Shelter at Ice Rink	Construct a new and enlarged warming hut and picnic shelter at ice rink	Low	Long-Term	1) Determine if picnic shelter will be custom or from a manufacturer; 2) Hire architect to design warming hut; 3) Purchase picnic shelter; 4) Hire contractor to fabricate both structures

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: CASCADE FALLS PARK

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
Improve Wayfinding and Informational Signage	Provide better wayfinding signage for trail connections and intersections; fabricate informational safety and natural area etiquette/trail-use signs throughout this park	Medium	Short-Term	1) Complete wayfinding and information sign designs with assistance from a graphic designer/landscape architect; 2) Hire sign fabricator to construct signs; 3) Coordinate/schedule with City maintenance crew to install signs
Install Traffic Control along 8th Avenue	Install traffic control devices to slow cars along 8th Avenue; an example of this may involve speed bumps or signage with flashing speed	Medium	Short-Term	1) Determine appropriate traffic control devices; 2) Purchase approved traffic control devices; 3) Contractor and/or City maintenance crew to install traffic control devices
Install Benches along 8th Avenue	Add benches along 8th Avenue from Main Street to the Cascade Falls trailhead/parking area to provide resting areas for visitors walking uphill from downtown; there is 1 existing bench	Medium	Short-Term	1) Determine bench type(s) to be installed; 2) Acquire preferred benches; 3) City maintenance crew to install benches
Delineate Parking Spaces at 8th Avenue Trailhead	Delineate parking at trailhead/parking lot on 8th Avenue; this could be by installing signs designating parking spaces on the existing fence	Medium	Short-Term	1) Determine preferred parking delineation method(s); 2) Purchase materials for parking delineation; 3) City maintenance crew to install parking delineation method(s)

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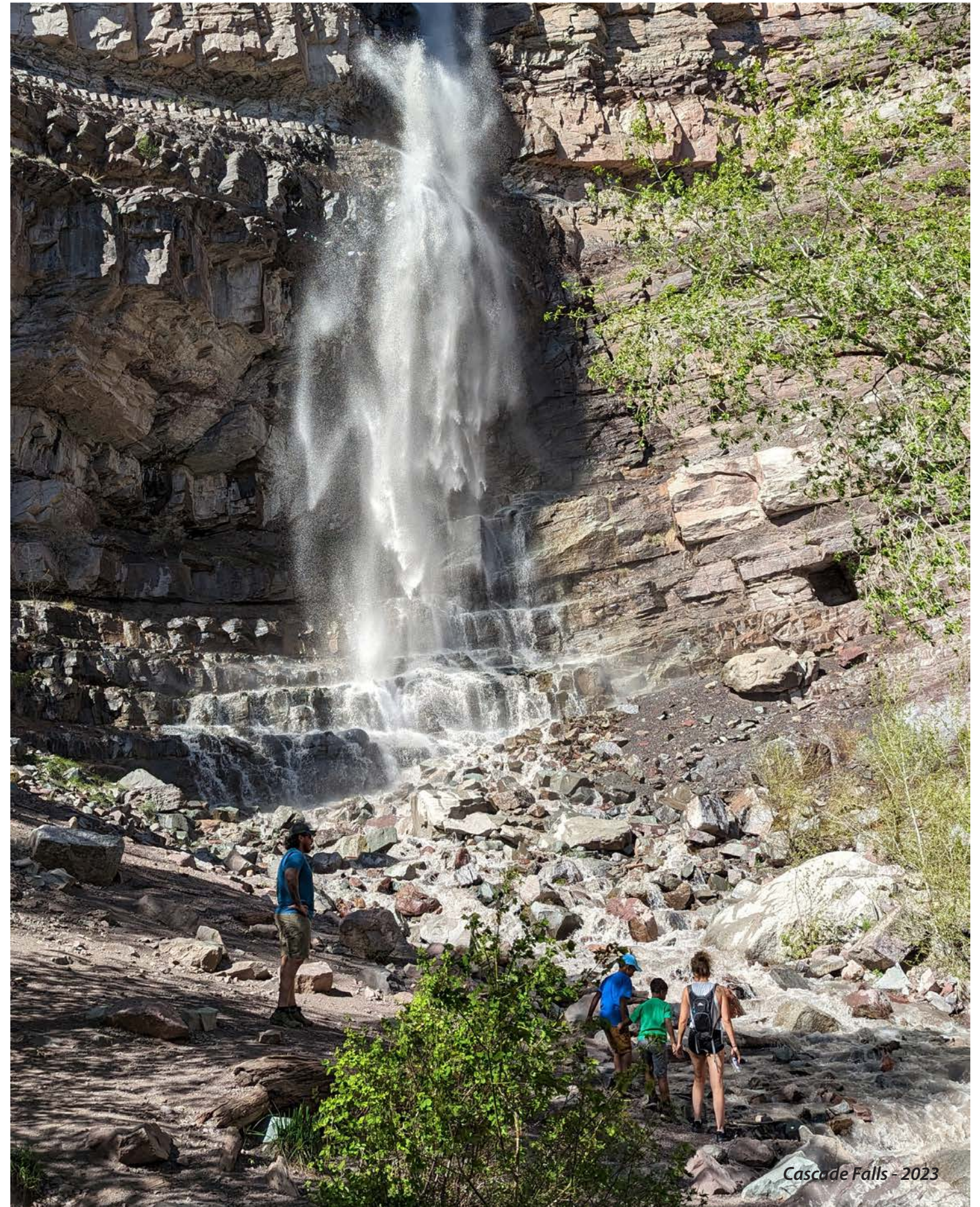
Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Ensure zamboni storage building matches the aesthetics of the other Rotary Park amenities (picnic shelter/warming hut/restroom/etc.)	Potential for outdoor recreation grants and/or private donations to help fund this project
Ensure that the picnic shelter and warming hut match the aesthetics of the other Rotary Park amenities (zamboni storage building/restroom/etc.)	Potential for outdoor recreation grants and/or private donations to help fund this project

Goal: Improve Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall) per community's recommendations.

Objective 1: Incorporate improvements from the Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Objective 2: Determine budgets and timeframes for installation of improvements.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Ensure signage is legible, simple, and easy to understand; determine appropriate locations for signs to promote compliance; use long-lasting and low maintenance sign materials	Sign fabricator; potential graphic designer/ landscape architect to help with sign design; City maintenance crew to install signs; potential to apply for wayfinding grant to help fund this project
Determine appropriate traffic control devices and placement; match typical devices/methods already used at Ouray if possible	Depending on devices selected, a contractor or City maintenance crew could install the traffic control devices; potential to apply for pedestrian safety grants to help fund this project
Determine style of benches to be used - match with City standard or local artist fabricated; determine appropriate locations where resting intervals may be needed along 8th Avenue	Potential for private donations to help fund this project; City maintenance crew to install benches
Vet parking delineation options with City maintenance crew; determine best method for improving parking while reducing annual maintenance	Potential sign fabricator; City maintenance crew to install selected parking delineation methods



Cascade Falls - 2023

STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PRIORITY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: LEE'S SKI HILL

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Goal: Improve Lee's Ski Hill per community's recommendations.

Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
New Rope Tow and Mechanical Building (design)	Design for new rope tow and mechanical building per current regulations (there are no current state-required mandates to update this facility, but it is becoming harder to repair as the rope tow mechanical infrastructure parts are out of production and the existing parts need to be fixed when they break or custom-fabricated)	High	Short-Term	1) Hire ski lift design company with experience in rope tow facilities to prepare schematic design through construction documents for new rope tow and mechanical building; 2) Vet designs for ease of maintenance and longevity
New Rope Tow and Mechanical Building (construction)	Construct a new rope tow and mechanical building per current regulations	High	Short-Term	1) Hire contractor with experience in constructing similar rope tow facilities; 2) Schedule construction in off-season for snow activities (April/May through October); 3) Correlate to construction of mountain bike loop trail and fire pit area improvements
Mountain Bike Loop Trail for Summer Use	Design and construction of a graded-in mountain bike loop trail with berms and boulders at trail edges, benches, and viewing areas; make Lee's Ski Hill multi-use for summer recreation	Medium	Short-Term	1) Hire construction contractor with experience in bike trail skills course fabrication; 2) Correlate this project with construction of new rope tow ski lift and fire pit area improvement projects
Fire Pit Area Improvements	Improve the fire pit community area with crusher fines surfacing and grading improvements; add fill to create easier access and to flatten community gathering areas	Medium	Short-Term	1) Hire construction contractor to fabricate these improvements - could be same as ski lift or mountain bike course contractor; 2) Correlate this project with construction of new rope tow ski lift and mountain bike skills loop
New Outdoor Movie Screen	Construct a new outdoor movie screen with a mining trestle frame to match with Ouray's local architectural aesthetics for outdoor movie nights/events in summer	Low	Long-Term	1) Hire architect/landscape architect and structural engineer to design custom mining frame; 2) Hire sign fabricator/local metal artist/contractor to construct sign frame; 3) Order other outdoor movie items (screen, sound system, etc.)

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Woman's Club Mini-Park

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & FACILITIES

Strategic Focus Area	Objective(s)	Priority	Timeline*	Step(s) to Success
New Public Restroom (for both Women's Park & Lee's Ski Hill)	Construct a public two-stall restroom facility that can be used for both Lee's Ski Hill users and Woman's Club Mini-Park users	High	Short-Term	1) Complete construction documents for new facility; 2) Determine if can have City water or if it needs to be a vault toilet; 3) Hire construction contractor to build the new restroom

Note: Other projects proposed for Woman's Club Mini-Park in the 2023 Parks and Trails Master Plan include the below listed items. These are slated for construction further in the future than 2029 (the latest year shown in this Strategic Plan).

- *New Playground with Accessible Features*
- *Add an Accessible Parking Space and Walk Connections throughout the Park*
- *Create an Accessible Community Gathering/Picnicking Area*
- *Plant Additional Trees and Enhance Park Landscaping/Turf Areas*
- *Potential to Incorporate Gazebo into this Park*

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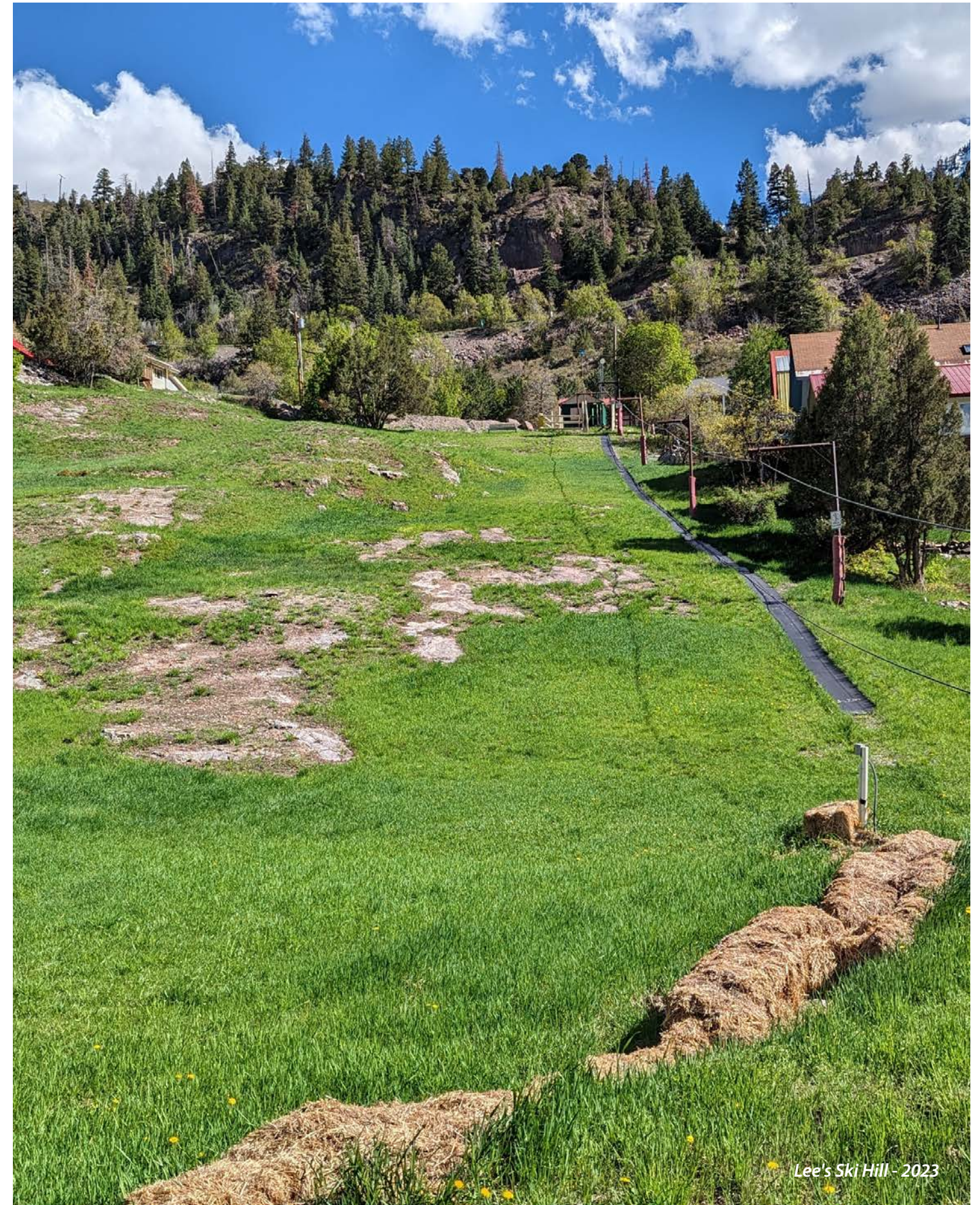
Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Ensure design is a rope tow; confirm design's longevity and ease of maintenance	Ski lift design company; potential to apply for outdoor recreation grants
Hire contractor to construct new rope tow in off-season (spring-fall); schedule construction to correlate with building the mountain bike loop trail and fire pit area improvement projects	Construction contractor with experience in building similar rope tow ski lifts; potential to apply for outdoor recreation grants or could fund via local appropriations, private donations, etc.
Hire contractor to construct mountain bike loop trail; ensure compatibility with winter ski hill use; schedule construction timeframe with the rope tow and fire pit area projects	Construction contractor with experience in building mountain bike skills courses/trails; potential to apply for outdoor recreation grants
Ensure fire pit improvements increase access, improve flattened community gathering area, and augment safety for summer and winter uses at the park	Construction contractor and/or City maintenance crew to fabricate; potential to apply for outdoor recreation grants
Design mining trestle outdoor movie screen to match local architectural aesthetics; construct movie screen frame and install other movie screen products	Designers to detail out movie screen frame; construction contractor/metal artist to fabricate; potential to apply for outdoor recreation grants

Goal: Improve Woman's Club Mini-Park per community's recommendations.

Objective 1: Incorporate improvements from the Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Objective 2: Determine budgets and timeframes for installation of improvements.

Success Metric(s)	Potential Resources & Support
Ensure aesthetics of restroom facility match with other projects/architectural styles - i.e. - the vault toilet design at Cascade Falls	Construction company to fabricate; potential to tie into City water



STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PLAN PROJECT TIMELINE

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: OURAY TRAILS

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4	
Create an Extension of the Uncompahgre River Walk Trail (Schematic Design)		■	■	■					■																
Uncompahgre River Walk seasonal maintenance		■				■				■				■				■				■			
Wayfinding Improvements			■																						
Uncompahgre Road Parking and Access Improvements			■																						
Improve Pedestrian Wayfinding Route through Fellin Park to access the Perimeter Trail						■	■																		
Improve Uncompahgre River Walk Access near Fellin Park						■	■																		
Uncompahgre River Walk Signage							■																		
Improve Chautauqua Lane Trail Connection										■															
Improve West Side Access to Uncompahgre River Walk											■														
Improve Perimeter Trail Section North of 5th Avenue Entrance																			■						
City Acquisition of Perimeter Trail																						■	■	■	■
Create an Extension of the Uncompahgre River Walk Trail (Construction)														■	■			■	■						

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: FELLIN PARK

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4
New Restroom (in progress)		█																						
Demolish Existing Restrooms (in progress)		█																						
Demolish Existing Skate Park		█																						
Special Event Food Truck Area		█																						
Fix Drainage at Hot Springs Parking Lot (design; in progress)		█																						
Fix Drainage at Hot Springs Parking Lot (construction)			█																					
Permanent Stage Schematic Design (in progress)			█																					
New Bath House/Weight Room Schematic Design (in progress)				█																				
Banner Sign Frame near Fellin Park Entrance					█	█	█																	
Event Edge Delineation					█	█																		
Overflow RV Parking Lot Delineation Improvements						█	█																	
Improve Fish Pond Parking Area						█																		
Vendor Area Improvements										█	█			█	█									
Track and Field Improvements										█	█			█	█									
Permanent Stage Construction										█	█			█	█									
New Bath House/Weight Room Construction														█	█			█	█			█	█	
Miner's Park Improvements														█	█			█	█			█	█	
Resurface Existing Basketball Court																		█						

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STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PLAN PROJECT TIMELINE

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: BOX CAÑON

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4
Improvements to Visitor Center																								
Improve Wayfinding and Trail Access from the HWY 550 Overflow Lot																								
Visitor Center Parking Lot Delineation Improvements																								
Trail Access Improvements (construction)																								

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: ICE PARK & VIA FERRATA

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4
Construct New Restroom en route to Dick's Chalet (in progress)																								
Obtain Lands currently held by Public/Private Parties to Create Inclusiveness																								
Improve Route Access by Enhancing Wayfinding and Trails from Parking Areas																								

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: ROTARY PARK

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4
Improved Park Entryway					█	█	█																	
Practice Boulder Climbing Area						█	█			█	█													
New Competition Climbing Tower									█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█								
Picnic Area Improvements									█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█								
Consolidate Vehicular and Parking Areas										█	█													
Improve Park Landscaping										█	█													
Design New Skate Park (relocated from Fellin Park)															█	█								
New Skate Park (Construction)																		█	█				█	█
New Playground & Strider Track																		█	█				█	█
Design for Paving at Ice Rink (to make Multi-Functional for Pickleball in the Summer)																			█	█	█			
New Ice Rink (Construction)																							█	█
New Zamboni with Storage Area																							█	█
Warming Hut and Picnic Shelter at Ice Rink																							█	█

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STRATEGIC PARKS AND TRAILS PLAN PROJECT TIMELINE

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: CASCADE FALLS PARK (WATERFALL)

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4
Improve Wayfinding and Informational Signage			█	█	█	█	█	█																
Install Traffic Control along 8th Avenue			█																					
Install Benches along 8th Avenue						█	█																	
Delineate Parking Spaces at 8th Avenue Trailhead						█																		

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: LEE'S SKI HILL

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4
New Rope Tow and Mechanical Building (design)					█																			
New Rope Tow and Mechanical Building (construction)						█	█																	
Mountain Bike Loop Trail for Summer Use						█	█																	
Fire Pit Area Improvements						█	█																	
New Outdoor Movie Screen																	█	█	█	█				

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: WOMAN'S CLUB MINI-PARK

Priorities	Y0 Q1	Y0 Q2	Y0 Q3	Y0 Q4	Y1 Q1	Y1 Q2	Y1 Q3	Y1 Q4	Y2 Q1	Y2 Q2	Y2 Q3	Y2 Q4	Y3 Q1	Y3 Q2	Y3 Q3	Y3 Q4	Y4 Q1	Y4 Q2	Y4 Q3	Y4 Q4	Y5 Q1	Y5 Q2	Y5 Q3	Y5 Q4
New Public Restroom (for both Women's Park & Lee's Ski Hill)		█	█	█																				

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Ouray Overflow Parking Lot by Box Cañon



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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION



Document Purpose and Background

The purpose of this document is to provide the City of Ouray with a comprehensive Parks and Trails Master Plan. The plan refines the open space, parks, and trails vision as was outlined in the City's 2021 Community Plan and the 2009 Parks Master Plan. To develop this master plan, the design team looked at the parks and trails in and around the existing City network and evaluated the feasibility of the proposed facilities improvements that were outlined for Ouray's recreation amenities from the Community Plan. Public and individual stakeholder meetings were held with community members to further determine goals for Ouray's Parks and Trails system. These goals have been incorporated into the master plan and are shown in the Chapter Two: Guiding Principals section of this document.

The study area for Ouray's Parks and Trails Master Plan encompasses the City of Ouray. (See the Study Area Site Map on the adjacent page.) There are approximately 23 acres of parks and open space within the City of Ouray. The existing parks and trails that are located within the study area of this plan include:

- Fellin Park
- Miner's Heritage Park
- Rotary Park
- Lee's Ski Hill
- Woman's Club Mini-Park
- Dog Park
- Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall)
- Vinegar Hill (Sled Hill @ 5th St.)
- Box Cañon Falls
- Ice Park & Via Ferrata
- Uncompahgre River Walk

Parks Existing Conditions, Attractions, and Site Analysis

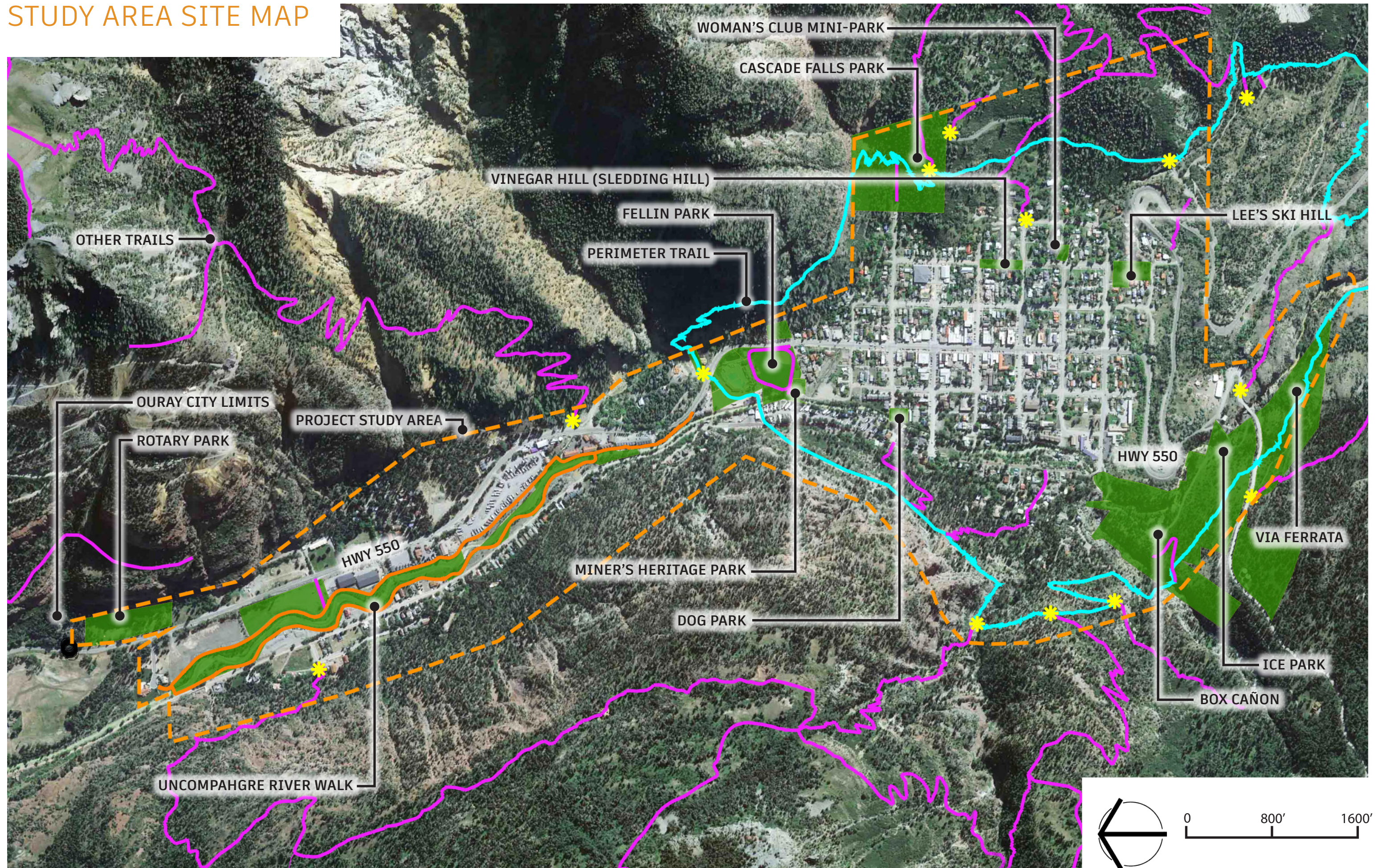
The following section of this master plan document shows each of the parks and trails systems that were studied as a part of this process. The parks and trails in the study area were visited by the design team to determine existing site conditions and also potential constraints and opportunities. Furthermore, as part of this master plan process, an initial information-gathering public meeting was held to discuss Ouray's Parks and Trails in which the community members were able to convey to the design team their ideas for the existing parks and trails system. Each of these park and trails areas has a featured site analysis diagram to reflect both existing conditions and determined site analysis input.

This section of the master plan focuses on studying the existing conditions, attractions, and overall site analysis of Ouray's parks and trails. As these areas were studied and public input from the community was considered, the recommendations outlined in Chapter 3 were developed.



Fellin Park Softball Field Lawn at a Mountain Air Music Series outdoor concert on June 8th, 2023

STUDY AREA SITE MAP



FELLIN PARK

Fellin Park is Ouray's most visible City Park and is located on the north end of the Historic Downtown right off Highway 550. The hot springs also is situated adjacent to the park.

Existing attractions at Fellin Park include:

- Softball field
- 400m asphalt path
- Mini-ramp skate park
- Basketball court
- Miner's Heritage Park
- Playground area & picnic shelter
- Gazebo
- Restrooms
- Long jump pit (not standard) at the basketball court
- Seating at the softball field
- Fish pond





1 Perimeter Trail Connection and Parking
Analysis: Need to create better wayfinding to perimeter trail connection and parking area from Fellin Park and HWY 550.



2 Fish Pond
Analysis: Need to improve concrete at fish pond.



3 Skate Park
Analysis: Deteriorating concrete needs improvement and or replacement.



4 Bath House
Analysis: Weight room on upper level needs reinforcement or new building.



5 Playground and Picnic Shelter
Analysis: Equipment is older and needs to be updated.



6 Miners Heritage Park
Analysis: To make more multi-functional and accessible with surfacing improvements



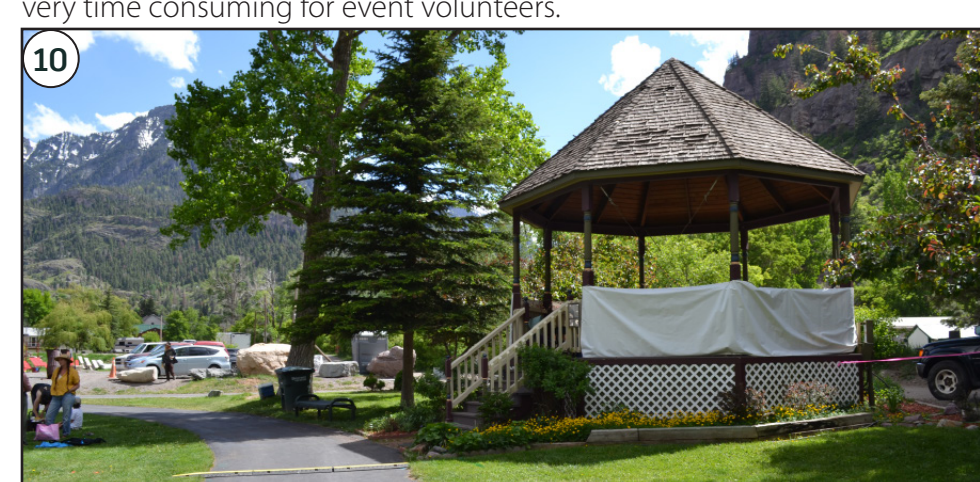
7 Track Equipment
Analysis: Need to create a storage facility for school track programs.



8 Basketball Court
Analysis: Surface of concrete is spalling and needs improvement.



9 Future Stage Area
Analysis: Need new permanent stage for events. Stage setup/take-down is very time consuming for event volunteers.



10 Existing Gazebo
Analysis: Stringers beneath structure are deteriorating and in poor condition, creating safety concerns.

BOX CAÑON FALLS

Box Cañon Falls is located at the south end of Ouray; it is the culmination of Canyon Creek before it joins the Uncompahgre River. This park has a visitor center and small unpaved parking area. The highlight of the park is the grated walk that takes visitors into the heart of the falls. There is also a trail connection from the Perimeter Trail that drops down into the Box Cañon fee area. Improving wayfinding and trail connections from the city and parking areas to Box Cañon are the primary areas for improvement identified through site analysis and community outreach.

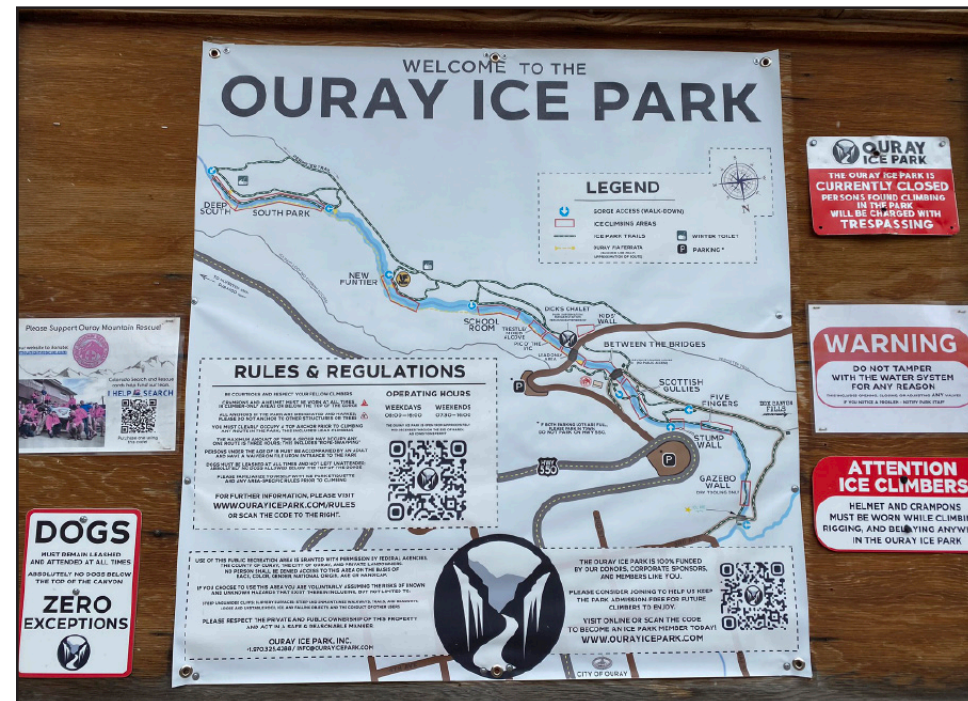
Existing attractions at Box Cañon Falls include:

- Grated trails with railings into Box Cañon
- Soft surface trails with railings
- Visitor Center
- Bird feeders and gathering area
- Entrance from Perimeter Trail
- Gravel one-way drive



OURAY ICE PARK

The Ouray Ice Park is a human-made ice climbing park built and operated in the spectacular natural Uncompahgre Gorge at the south end of Ouray near Box Cañon. It is a free public park that is home to more than 200 named ice and mixed climbs and spans almost two miles. Potential improvements discussed were the creation of additional viewing areas. Enhancing wayfinding from parking to viewing areas is also important.



Source: 2014 Michael Clark Photography | Ouray Ice Park

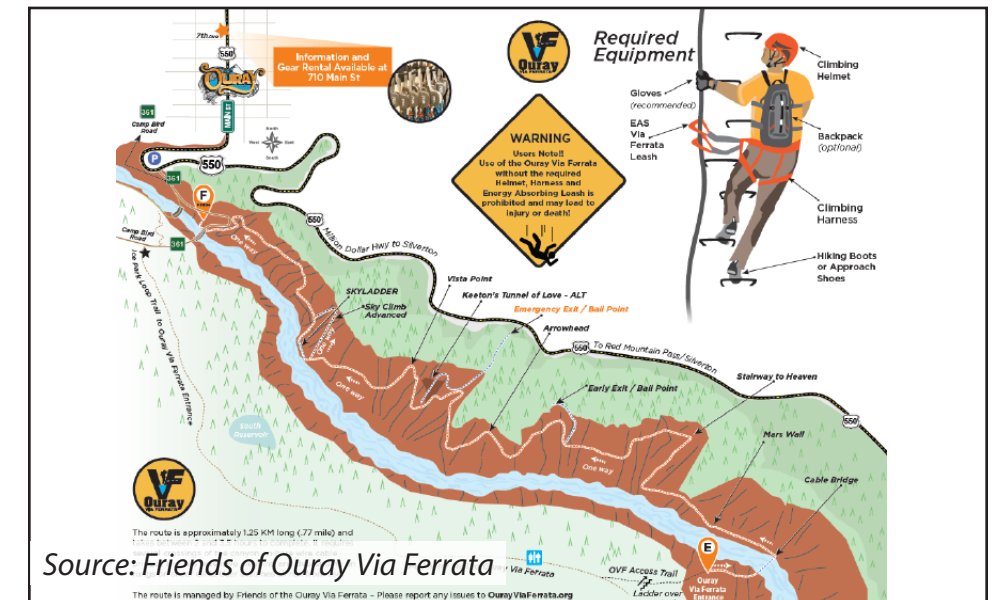
Existing attractions at Ouray Ice Park & Ouray Via Ferrata include:

- Gravel parking areas and viewing areas (both)
- 200 named ice and mixed climbs (Ice Park)
- Permanent restrooms coming soon in 2024 and temporary port-o-potty restroom facilities (Ice Park)
- Two routes: Downstream and Upstream with 9,000+ linear feet of anchored cable protected/rung enhanced trail (Via Ferrata)



OURAY VIA FERRATA

The Ouray Via Ferrata is located near the Ouray Ice Park and Box Cañon Falls at the south end of the city. It features a Downstream Route and an Upstream Route. There are approximately 4,000+ linear feet of anchored cable protected/rung enhanced trail on the Downstream Route and 5,000+ linear feet on the Upstream Route. Other features at the Via Ferrata include wire cable bridges, vertical ladder areas, and many technical sections that include a wide variety of vertical and horizontal route sections with interesting and varied movement provided. Similar to the Ouray Ice Park, it may be beneficial to construct viewing areas and improve wayfinding from parking areas.



Source: Visit Ouray

ROTARY PARK

Rotary Park is located on the north end of Ouray along Highway 550 near the north terminus of the Uncompahgre River Walk. This park has dual-use amenities currently: an outdoor ice rink for winter use and a cliff climbing area.

Existing attractions at Rotary Park include:

- Ice rink
- Warming hut
- Small playground
- Climbing area by cliffs
- Parking and drive lanes
- Restroom (2 stalls)
- Storage area for City maintenance
- Undeveloped natural areas





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Trail Connectivity
Analysis: Improve the Rotary Park trail connection to the Uncompahgre River Walk.



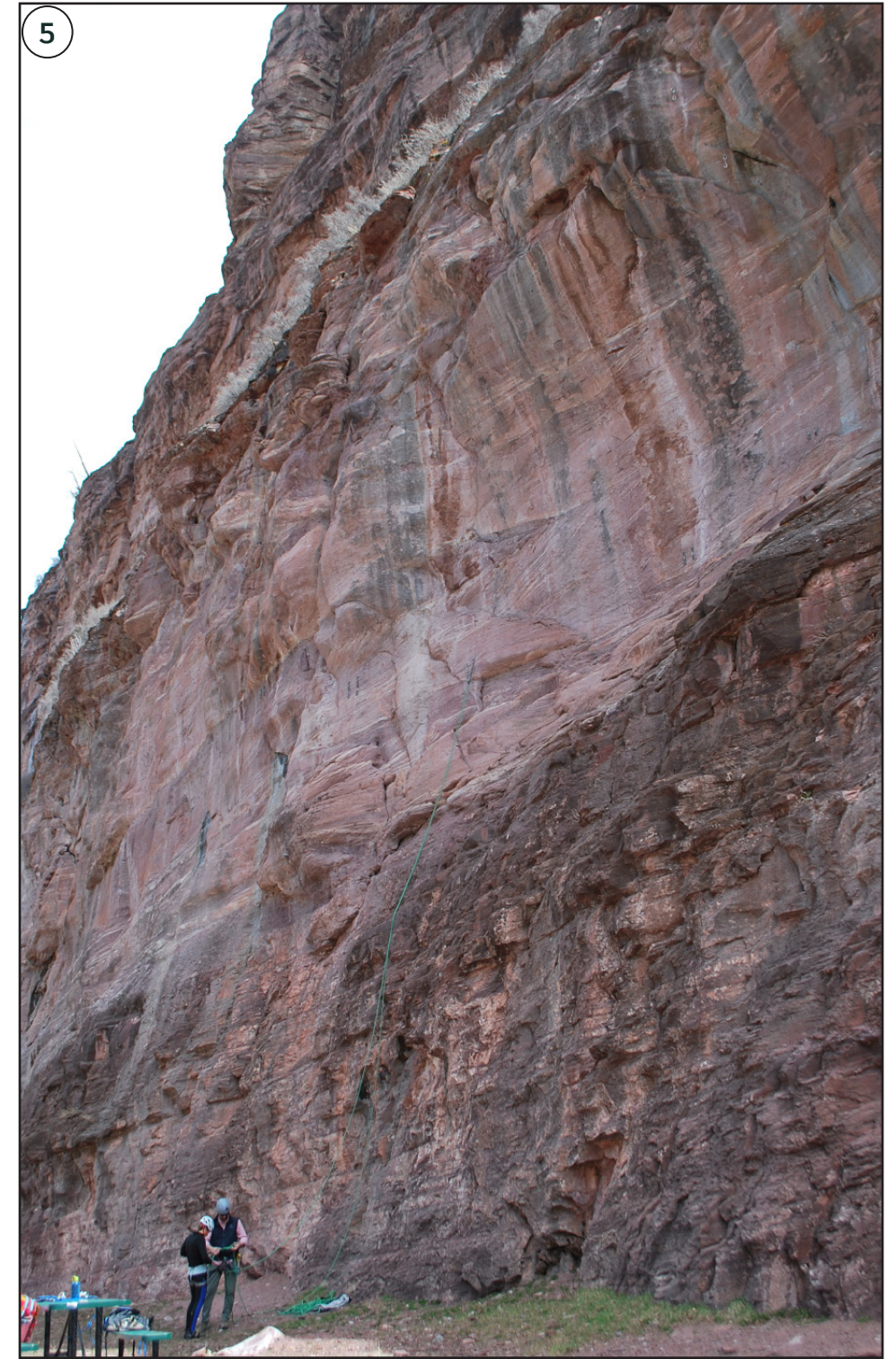
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Parking
Analysis: Reduce number of roads and consolidate parking to increase square footage of usable park spaces and improve pedestrian safety.



3
Storage Area
Analysis: Relocate or screen storage area.



4
Picnic Area
Analysis: Phase in replacement benches, picnic tables and install in more permanent locations outside of rockfall zone in climbing area.



5
Climbing Area
Analysis: Need more informational signage and safety awareness.

CASCADE FALLS PARK (WATERFALL)

Cascade Falls Park is located at the east end of 8th Avenue in the northern part of the city. A gravel parking area is located at the end of the road adjacent to a concrete drainage flume. The waterfall itself is a short, but moderately steep quarter mile walk from the parking area. This park is a natural area with trails interspersed.

Existing attractions at Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall) include:

- Viewing kiosk with bench
- Pit toilet restroom facility at trailhead
- Gravel trailhead parking
- Soft surface trails and wayfinding/signage areas



Safety & Trails
 Analysis: Need to improve safety and natural area protection signage and also better define trail edges.



Wayfinding
 Analysis: Need better signage at trail connections that improves wayfinding along trails at Cascade Falls Park.



LEE'S SKI HILL

Lee's Ski Hill is a well-loved community gathering area for winter use. It is located at the intersection of 5th St. and 3rd Ave. on the south end of the City.

Existing attractions at Lee's Ski Hill include:

- Informal fire pit gathering area
- Rope tow ski lift
- Gravel parking
- Viewing areas and benches



Gathering Area

Analysis: Grade this community area at the bottom of the hill to be flatter area and expand area.



Existing Bench

Analysis: Enhance the existing viewing area at the top of the ski hill and create more viewing areas.

WOMAN'S CLUB MINI-PARK

Woman's Club Mini-Park is a small park (approximately 0.3 acres) located only one block north of Lee's Ski Hill. The park is primarily used by City residents and is a good quiet park for small children to play and community groups to gather.

Existing attractions at Woman's Club Mini-Park include:

- Small playground
- Shaded picnic area



Playground

Analysis: Ex. playground equipment - in need of update; no accessible ramp



Parking

Analysis: Ex. parking; no accessible entrance.



Park Access

Analysis: Ex. stairs to walk, no accessible access.



Picnic Area

Analysis: Ex. picnic table area; not accessible.



Boulders to Define Park Edge

Analysis: 4th Avenue Boulders define the edge of the park and prevent cars parking in the lawn on 4th Ave.



DOG PARK

Ouray's Dog Park is located at the intersection of 8th Ave. and 1st St. along the Uncompahgre River. It is a smaller park – approximately 0.2 acres and is Ouray's only designated dog park. The location is easily accessible by residents and is primarily used by locals.

Existing attractions at the Dog Park include:

- Water spigot and pool
- Gated entry and fencing
- Picnic tables and trash receptacle
- Dog agility features



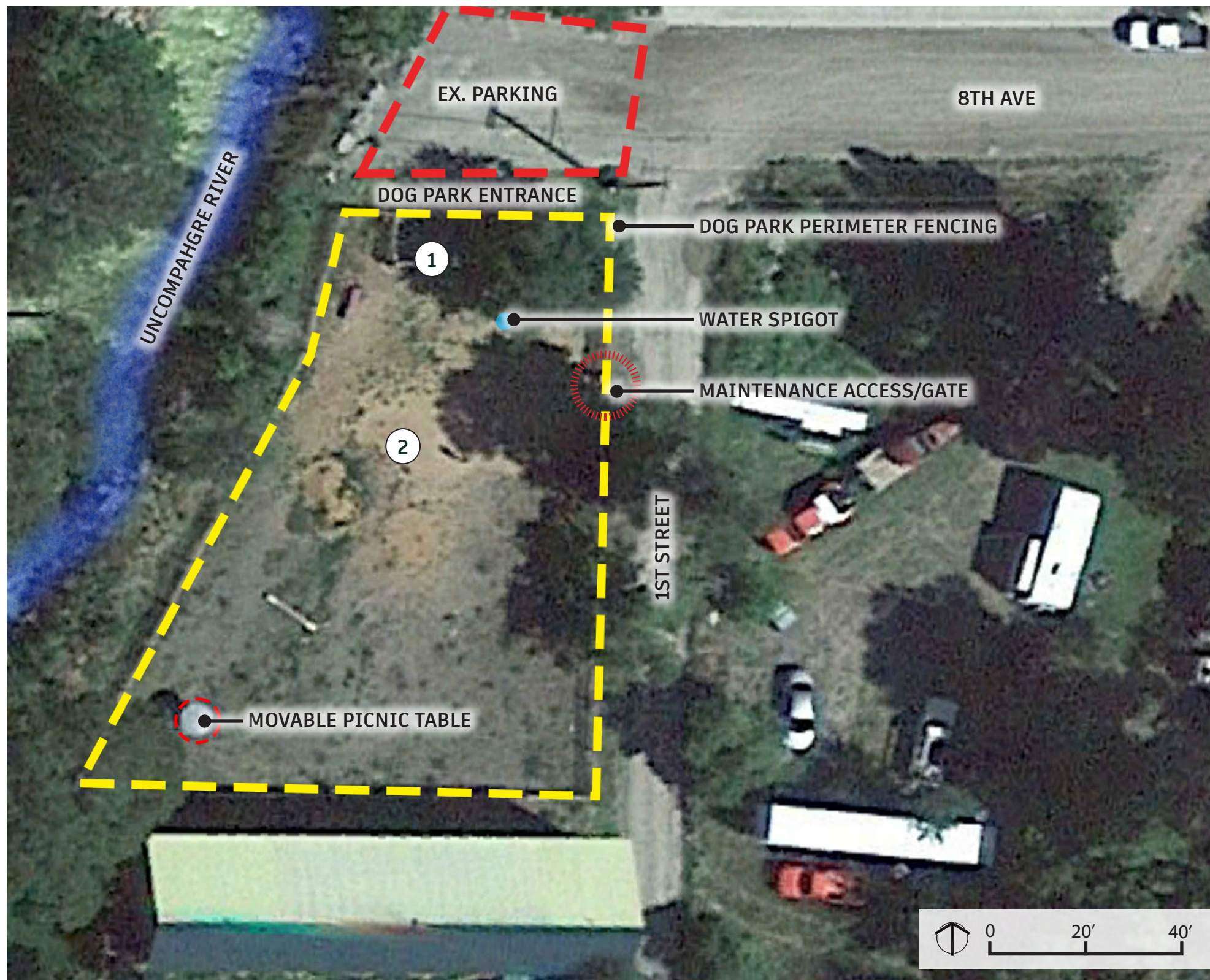
Dog Park Aesthetic

Analysis: There are not many shade options and the park has been developed by volunteers.



Surface Material & Fencing

Analysis: The surface material at the Dog Park is natural earth which can get muddy when wet and is hard to clean. The fencing at the Dog Park is difficult to upkeep and in need of an update.

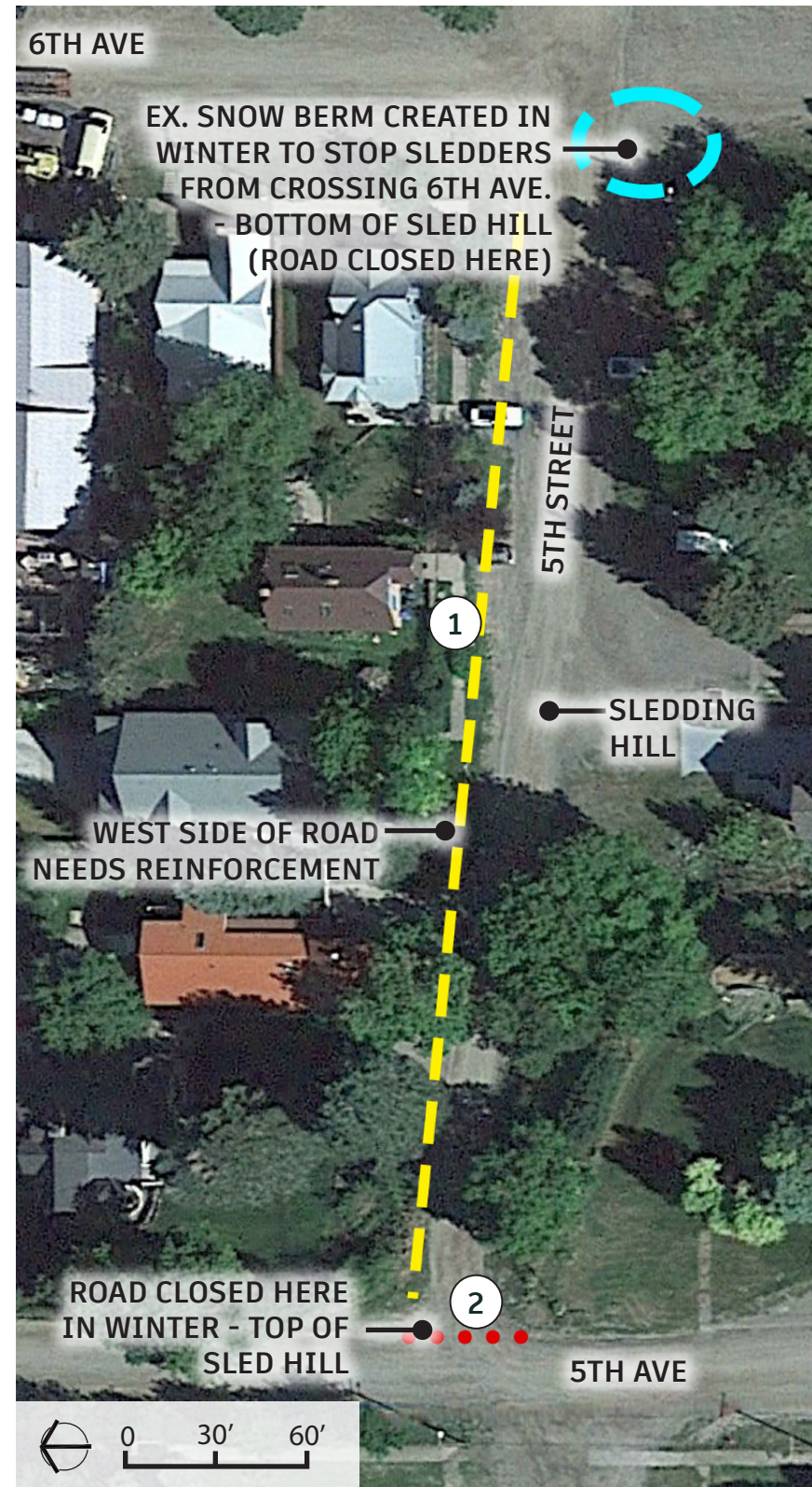


VINEGAR HILL (SLEDDING HILL)

Vinegar Hill is located on 5th St. (running north-south) between 5th Ave. and 6th Ave. This is Ouray's sledding hill and this section of street closes annually for the winter season once heavier snowfall occurs. Residents flock to sled here as it is in a residential part of the city and just one block south of the school.

Existing attractions at Vinegar Hill include:

- Sled hill
- Informal hay bale berm on west side of street
- Informal snow berm on north side of street at 6th Ave. intersection for stopping sledders



Unsafe Side

Analysis: Unsafe lower side of the road with steep slopes; need to reinforce the west side of the hill side with more snow berms or straw bales to keep sledders on sledding hill.



Top of Sled Hill

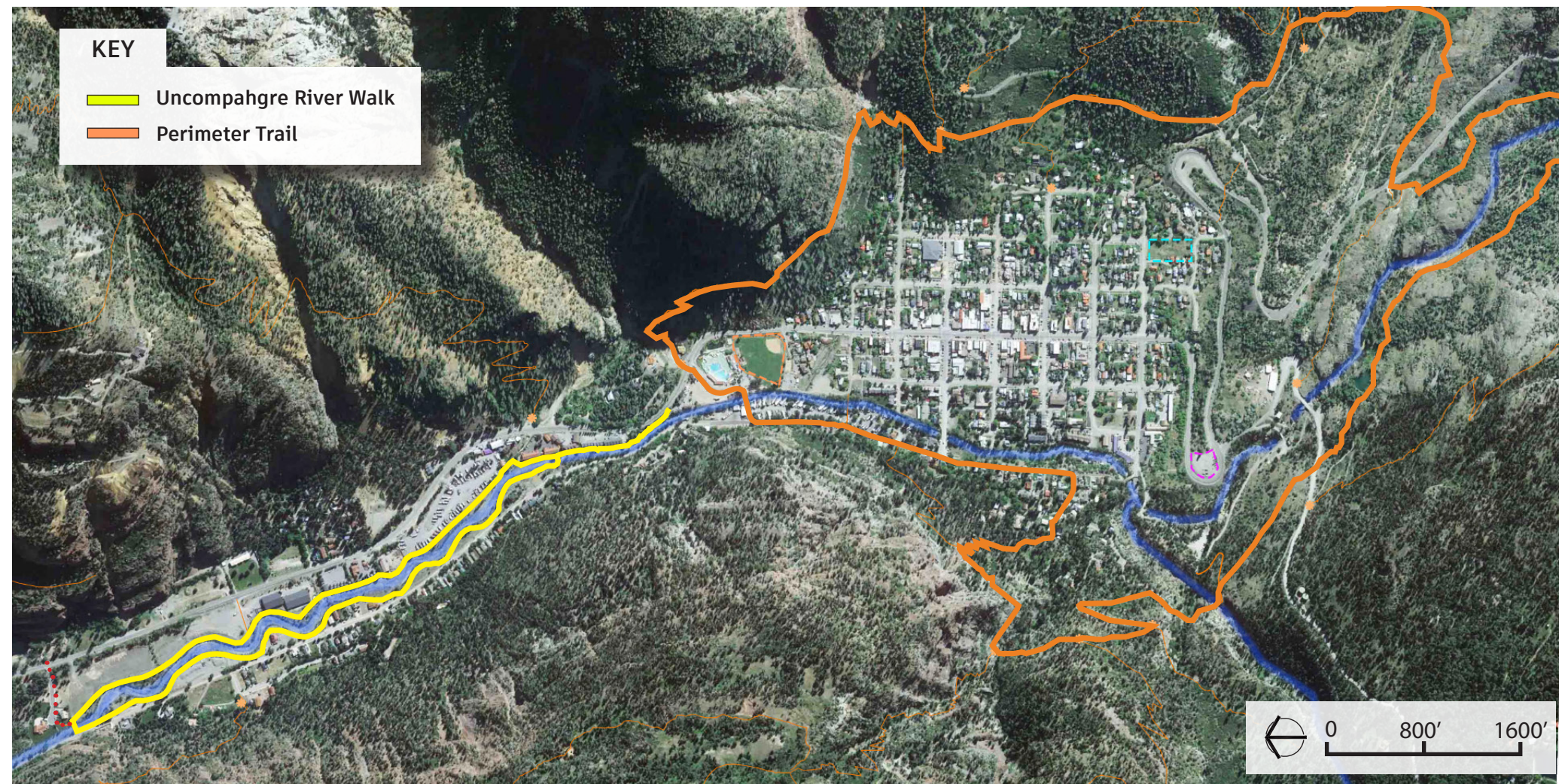
Analysis: Need movable benches here for sled hill viewing.

TRAILS

Ouray's Perimeter Trail and Uncompahgre River Walk, which are the closest trails to the city limits, offer connections to the many miles and miles of regional trails in the area. The Ouray Trails Group, which was founded in 1986, has taken on the stewardship role in the preservation and maintenance of the trails system. The Perimeter Trail is a 5.6 mile hiking experience that has 6 access points from different parts within the city. The trails that were focused on as part of this master plan document were primarily limited to those closest to the city limits - the Perimeter Trail and the Uncompahgre River Walk. Site analysis and public input on these features yielded several proposed improvements that are shown in the recommendations section of this document. The proposed improvements to these trails focus on enhancing connectivity and wayfinding from the trails to downtown Ouray and to other city parks.

Existing attractions within this master plan study area trails include:

- Perimeter Trail (5.6 miles) with gravel parking areas and trailhead kiosks
- Uncompahgre River Walk (2.0, soft surface) with stationary workout equipment and benches



THE PLANNING PROCESS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Design Team had a series of community meetings to gather input on the ideas residents had for improving the City of Ouray's parks and trails. The first public meeting took place on Thursday, April 13th in City Hall. Locals gathered to see a presentation about the parks and trails and the purpose of this project, followed by an information gathering session where the different parks and trails were shown on large poster boards. People were able to look at the existing parks and trails and provide ideas to the design team for how to improve these amenities. Community members were also able to share how the parks and trails are currently used and existing amenities that they love and should remain in any future plans.

The second public meeting took place on Thursday, June 8th at a Mountain Air Music Series community concert. During the morning and early afternoon, before the concert, the design team also met with community stakeholders representing different park user groups for more detailed information on the parks and trails. These groups included the Ouray School System, the Ouray Via Ferrata, the Ouray Ice Park, the Ouray Trail Group, and the Ouray Highgraders Miners Park. The community meeting in the evening was set up in the open air next to the softball diamond at the back of the grassy lawn/concert venue. Jim Kehoe, an architect with experience in outdoor stage designs, was also present at the concert and part of the design team's booth. He was able to seek input on the Fellin Park permanent stage design and location from locals. Community members and concert attendees were able to visit the design team's tent to see the draft master plan graphics and precedent imagery for Ouray's parks and trails. (These were prepared with guidance and input from the first public meeting.) Locals provided desired revisions for the parks and trails draft plans and also expressed things that they liked and disliked. The design team was able to take this input to prepare the final preferred design master plans for Ouray's parks and trails that are shown in this document.

A public survey was also sent out to the community in August of 2023 for input on the Parks and Trails Master Plan. The feedback from that survey has been compiled and incorporated into this document. See next page of this report for survey results and needs assessment.

The final public meeting took place in October 2023 at City Hall. The design team presented the final master plan to the City Council. This Parks and Trails Master Plan document is what was presented and adopted for implementation at the meeting.



Public Meeting 1 at City Hall (April 13th, 2023)



Public Meeting 2 at Mountain Air Music Series outdoor concert in Fellin Park (June 8th, 2023)



NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The suggested phasing for the implementation of the proposed park improvements outlined in this master plan document was determined from the community input provided via an online survey that was advertised and open for input in August of 2023. Survey respondents prioritized which of Ouray's parks and trails systems needed improvement and which of these should be phased-in or funded first.

Parks Priorities and Recommended Phasing

The majority of survey respondents wrote that they use Ouray's trails and Fellin Park the most of the whole Parks and Trails system. (In fact, close to 100% of respondents wrote that they do use the existing trails close to Ouray.) Cascade Falls Park and Box Cañon were also selected as highly used amenities. The least used features include the Dog Park, Sled Hill, and the Woman's Club Mini-Park. Furthermore, the survey results have revealed that Fellin Park was listed as the highest priority for improvements, followed closely by Ouray's trails. Box Cañon, the Ice Park/Via Ferrata, and Rotary Park closely follow. Vinegar Hill and the Dog Park were selected as the lowest priorities for phasing in of park improvements. On this page is the overall ranking for prioritization for improvement of Ouray's Parks and Trails system. A more broken down summary of specific improvements to each of these features is described at the beginning of Chapter 3: Park and Trail Recommendations.

Parks - Overall Phasing Priorities

1. Fellin Park
2. Box Canon Falls
3. Ice Park/Via Ferrata
4. Rotary Park
5. Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall)
6. Lee's Ski Hill
7. Woman's Club Mini-Park
8. Dog Park
9. Vinegar Hill (Sledding Hill)

Trails

Survey results yielded that trails are of the utmost importance to consider for improvements to Ouray's Parks and Trails system. Not only were trails selected as the most highly-used of these features, they were also rated very high in terms of locals wanting to see improvements made to them.



Public Meeting 1 at City Hall (April 13th, 2023)



Box Cañon Park



Public Meeting 2 at Fellin Park Mountain Air Music Series Concert (June 8th, 2023)

CHAPTER TWO GUIDING PRINCIPLES



GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The guiding principles that informed this Ouray Parks and Trails Master Plan Report were derived from *The City of Ouray Community Plan 2021* and have been further synthesized and refined as part of this master plan process through with public input from locals. In the community plan document, parks are a focus with the slogan, “A Sustainable City within a Park,” gracing the cover. The city’s parks and trails are a huge part of what make Ouray great; therefore, creating a long-term vision plan for them was the main focus of this document. The overall goals that were applicable to Ouray’s parks, recreation, and trails that were featured in this master plan study area are listed below. (More detailed goals for each park can be seen on pages 62-67 of *The City of Ouray Community Plan 2021*. Many of these specific proposed improvements for each of Ouray’s parks and trails are incorporated into the conceptual park plans shown in this master plan.)

1. Develop the concept of “a City Within a Park” by creating a unified visual theme among the parks and the trail system that is congruent with the city’s architecture, history, and natural surroundings.
2. Create conceptual site plans and maps for each of Ouray’s parks and trails systems within the study area and have detailed goals and actions for each park reflecting the community’s desired improvements. Ensure all park planning is comprehensive, long-range and integrated with other plans to provide for broad recreation planning for all segments of the community.
3. Develop, maintain and enhance the city’s trail system. Provide sidewalk and trail system connections to Main St. and Ouray’s parks where possible.
4. Preserve and enhance the natural character of Ouray’s more natural parks, including Cascade Falls Park, Box Cañon Falls, the Ouray Ice Park, the Ouray Via Ferrata, the Uncompahgre River Walk, and the Perimeter Trail.
5. Provide ADA access where possible to all city parks and provide accessible viewing platforms in the Ouray Ice Park and Ouray Via Ferrata.
6. Provide parks and recreation facilities and programs that meet a variety of needs of Ouray’s multi-generational residents and visitors.
7. Improve parking delineation at designated parking areas and signage throughout Ouray’s parks and trails network. Signage for wayfinding, safety, and natural areas, trails, and parks proper use etiquette should be developed and implemented at key locations—especially for the more nature-oriented parks and trails systems. This could help address some of the negative impacts caused by recreation/tourism around the town.
8. Develop a maintenance plan for the City of Ouray’s Parks and Trails systems – see The Maintenance Specification Appendix C this master plan document.



Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall)



Ouray's Uncompahgre River Walk

CHAPTER THREE

PARK AND TRAIL RECOMMENDATIONS



OVERVIEW AND PRIORITIES

The local community treasures and values all that Ouray has to offer. The parks and trails are a huge part of what makes Ouray great—a mountain town with natural beauty combined with the juxtaposition of elegant Victorian architectural and a rough-and-tumble mining history. The general community input received through the public process that relate to the entire Ouray Parks and Trails system include the following list:

- Maintaining the natural beauty and aesthetic of the parks and trails in Ouray is key in keeping the integrity of Ouray's character—a rustic mountain feel
- Need to maintain views throughout the City
- Improving habitat for wildlife and plant life is important in all the parks and trails systems
- Parks and trails maintenance is key; cleanliness is of the utmost importance
- Maintaining free costs to these features—especially for locals—is important
- Need to keep the local community at the focus as these systems are improved
- Maintaining public access to these systems is important.
- Improving accessibility for people of all abilities should be a consideration as improvements are made
- A permanent shuttle system would be helpful during tourist season to reduce parking congestion in the City. Improving parking delineation and providing more parking is important
- Providing more bike racks throughout the City may also help with parking congestion
- Better signage would help with wayfinding, safety, and awareness of City ordinances

The survey results for the parks are recommended for improvements/implementation in the following order: 1) Fellin Park, 2) Box Cañon Falls, 3) Ice Park and Via Ferrata, 4) Rotary Park, 5) Cascade Falls Park, 6) Lee's Ski Hill, 7) Woman's Club Mini-Park, 8) Dog Park, and 9) Vinegar Hill or Sledding Hill. Trails are also considered highly important and were written as the most-used of Ouray's facilities. Therefore, recommended improvements to the Ouray trails within the study area are listed separate from the parks. The priorities within each park are listed for implementation based on the desires and needs of the community. However, funding for these improvements may or may not be built in the order shown. For example, every single recommended improvement for Fellin Park does not need to be completed before high priority improvements in other parks. It may be beneficial to complete some of the high priority improvements for each park—such as the stage in Fellin Park and the outdoor movie screen at Lee's Ski Hill. Available funding may also play a role in which recommended

improvements get installed first. Maybe a skate park specific grant becomes available and that improvement moves higher on the list. In summary, the below list is to be used as an informed guide for Ouray's parks and trails improvement priorities and phasing based on the community survey and design team's analysis. However, this guide is open to shift as funding becomes available for different amenities or as local goals and needs shift. An overall map of these priorities is shown on page 31 of this report.

Parks

Priority 1 - Fellin Park (Miner's Heritage Park)

1. A new restroom is currently under construction -slated for completion in 2024
2. Convert the old restrooms to storage for the Ouray School Track Program, City Maintenance staff, and other approved park users
3. A permanent stage design is currently underway -Schematic Design package is slated for completion in fall of 2023; upon construction of the new stage, fix the existing gazebo and relocate it within the park, improve the picnicking plaza space by the new restrooms, and create an improved vendor staging area along the river with power hook-ups
4. Improving wayfinding from the perimeter trail connection at the accessible bridge in the maintenance yard around the track by the Bath House by the fish pond and across HWY 550 to the Perimeter Trail; install a pedestrian crosswalk
5. Track and field improvements (creating a 100m long straightaway, a regulation-sized long jump pit, and providing a discuss/shot-put through platform in the softball field)
6. Improved event delineation/fencing/staking and a new banner sign frame
7. Improvements to Miner's Park to make more multi-functional including reorganizing some of the event locations, installing planting beds with trees and fencing, a new gateway entrance, informational signage, and crusher fines accessible surfacing; in partnership with this also create a Miner's Walk with lighting, landscape beds, informational signage, and mining features along the loop trail by HWY 550
8. Paving and better delineating the hot springs/Fellin Park parking lot
9. Replace the existing playground with a larger and newer playground with separate play areas for different aged-children and install a new picnic shelter near the playground
10. A new linear sculptural skate park path with a mini-ramp; also improve the concrete by the Fish Pond
11. Resurface the existing basketball court to fix the deteriorating concrete
12. Paving and better delineating overflow RV parking lot

Priority 2 - Box Cañon

1. Improve parking lot delineation and efficiency at the Visitor Center; this could be accomplished through temporary paint striping, using old firetruck water hoses staked into the ground, or in the future paving and striping the lot
2. Improve wayfinding and trail access from the City at the intersection of Oak St., 3rd Ave., and Box Canyon Rd.
3. Improve wayfinding and trail access from the HWY 550 horseshoe-shaped overflow lot
4. Future improvements for trail access could feature the construction of a pedestrian bridge over the Uncompahgre River Gorge -see more information on this in the Future Opportunities section of this report

Priority 3 - Ice Park & Via Ferrata

1. Improve ice climbing and via ferrata route access by enhancing wayfinding and trails from parking areas to climbing and viewing areas
2. Create more viewing areas for bystanders

Priority 4 - Rotary Park

1. A new climbing information kiosk -slated for construction completion in 2024
2. A natural practice climbing boulder and bouldering area by the new climbing information kiosk; also improved picnic area with fixed tables to improve safety by climbing area
3. A new pedestrian crosswalk across HWY 550 to improve safety and the connection via the Chautauqua Lane sidewalk to the Uncompahgre River Walk
4. Paving the ice rink with concrete surfacing and striping (4) pickleball courts for summer use; this space could also function for craft fairs and farmer's market events
5. Consolidating parking and vehicular drive lanes to one area to free up park space for more activities with improved concrete walk connections to park features
6. A new playground and strider track
7. Improved park entryway including the following: a new entry sign at the north end of the park, a new competition climbing tower positioned at the south park entrance to act as a vertical terminus to the Uncompahgre River Walk connection.
8. A covered ice rink to allow the skating season to extend (could be partial or full coverage)
9. Improved lawn area and new trees
10. A new enlarged warming hut and a new picnic shelter at the ice rink
11. A new zamboni storage area and zamboni machine (could purchase used)

Priority 5 - Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall)

1. Delineate parking at trailhead on 8th Ave. (temporary striping in summer or pave and stripe parking)
2. Delineate trail edges with cobbles and boulders to help keep visitors on trails and allow for revegetation to occur in disturbed areas
3. Provide better wayfinding signage for trail connections/intersections and also informational safety and natural area etiquette/trail use signs
4. Add benches along 8th Ave. from Main St. to the Cascade Falls trailhead to provide resting areas for visitors walking uphill
5. Install bumps for traffic control to slow cars down along 8th Ave.

Priority 6 - Lee's Ski Hill

1. Improvements to the fire pit community area with crusher fines surface and grading improvements
2. A graded-in mountain bike trail and berm with boulders at bike trail edges, new benches, and viewing areas
3. A new outdoor movies screen with mining trestle frame
4. A new rope tow & mechanical building per current regulations

Priority 7 - Woman's Club Mini-Park

1. Improved playground areas with benches, accessible playground ramps, and playground surfacing
2. An accessible parking space with improved accessible concrete walk connections
3. An accessible community picnic table/gathering area with stabilized crusher fines surfacing
4. A new public two-stall restroom facility that can be used for both Lee's Ski Hill users and Woman's Club Mini-Park users
5. Additional trees

Priority 8 - Dog Park

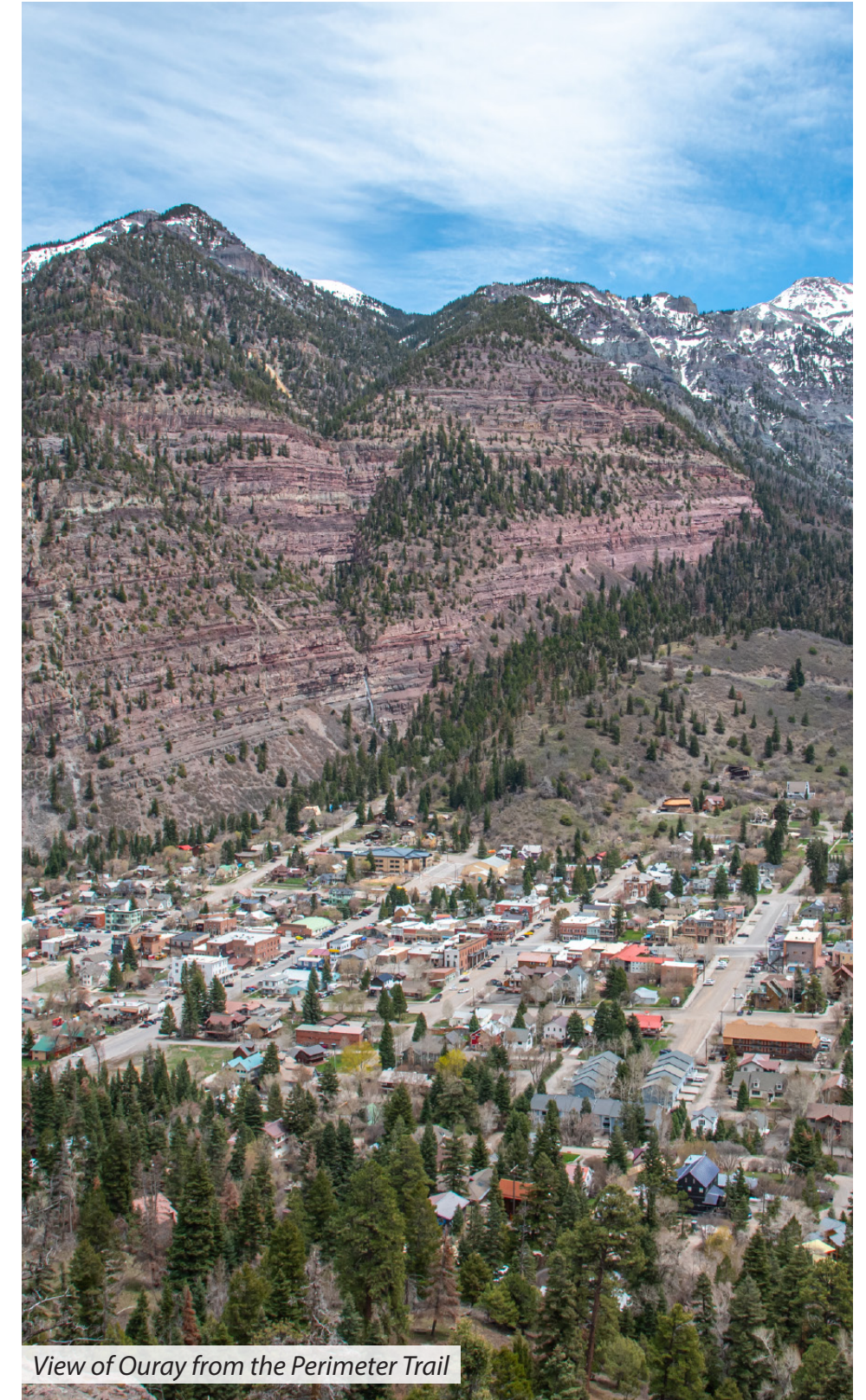
1. Crusher fines surfacing for easy maintenance
2. Concrete walking paths
3. New fencing and separate gated/fenced entrances for big and small dogs
4. Site furnishings & amenities: agility course features for both big and small dogs, benches, picnic tables, and trash receptacles
5. Water fountains for both people and dogs; provide dog pools and water spigots for both big and small dogs
6. Deciduous trees and drip irrigation

Priority 9 - Vinegar Hill (Sledding Hill)

1. Create a snow berm or haybale barrier on the west side of 5th St. on the downhill side of the sled hill; this would offer a safety barrier to keep sledders from entering residential backyards
2. Create a larger snow berm at the bottom of Vinegar Hill (at 6th Ave.) to keep sledders from entering open vehicular drive lanes
3. Place movable benches at the top of 5th Ave. as a resting/viewing area for Sledding Hill

Trails

1. Perimeter Trail: Create better route and wayfinding through Fellin Park to cross HWY 550 (with a new pedestrian crosswalk) and access the Perimeter Trail
2. Perimeter Trail: Need to improve wayfinding from Main St. to Perimeter Trail trailheads and parking; need wayfinding along Main St. from 7th Ave. south to 3rd Ave. south
3. Uncompahgre River Walk: Need to improve the Uncompahgre River Walk access near Fellin Park by HWY 550 on the east side of the river. (Could also create an alternate accessible route to the Uncompahgre River Walk by crossing the City footbridge by public works and sending people on Oak Street to the Uncompahgre River Walk connection/entrance at the first pedestrian bridge crossing north of Fellin Park.)
4. Uncompahgre River Walk: Improve connection from Rotary Park to Uncompahgre River Walk via a Chautauqua Ln. connection and new crosswalk
5. Perimeter Trail: Improve section of trail north of 5th Ave. entrance as seen on trails map in this document
6. Perimeter Trail: Improve section of trail east of the Fellin Park new trailhead parking lot as seen on trails map in this document
7. Uncompahgre River Walk: Create an extension of the Uncompahgre River Walk Trail through the city along the Uncompahgre River all the way from Box Cañon to Chautauqua Ln.
8. Uncompahgre River Walk: Maintenance of willows and surfacing in summer and of Nordic Ski trails in the winter; also provide general trail wayfinding and use etiquette signage

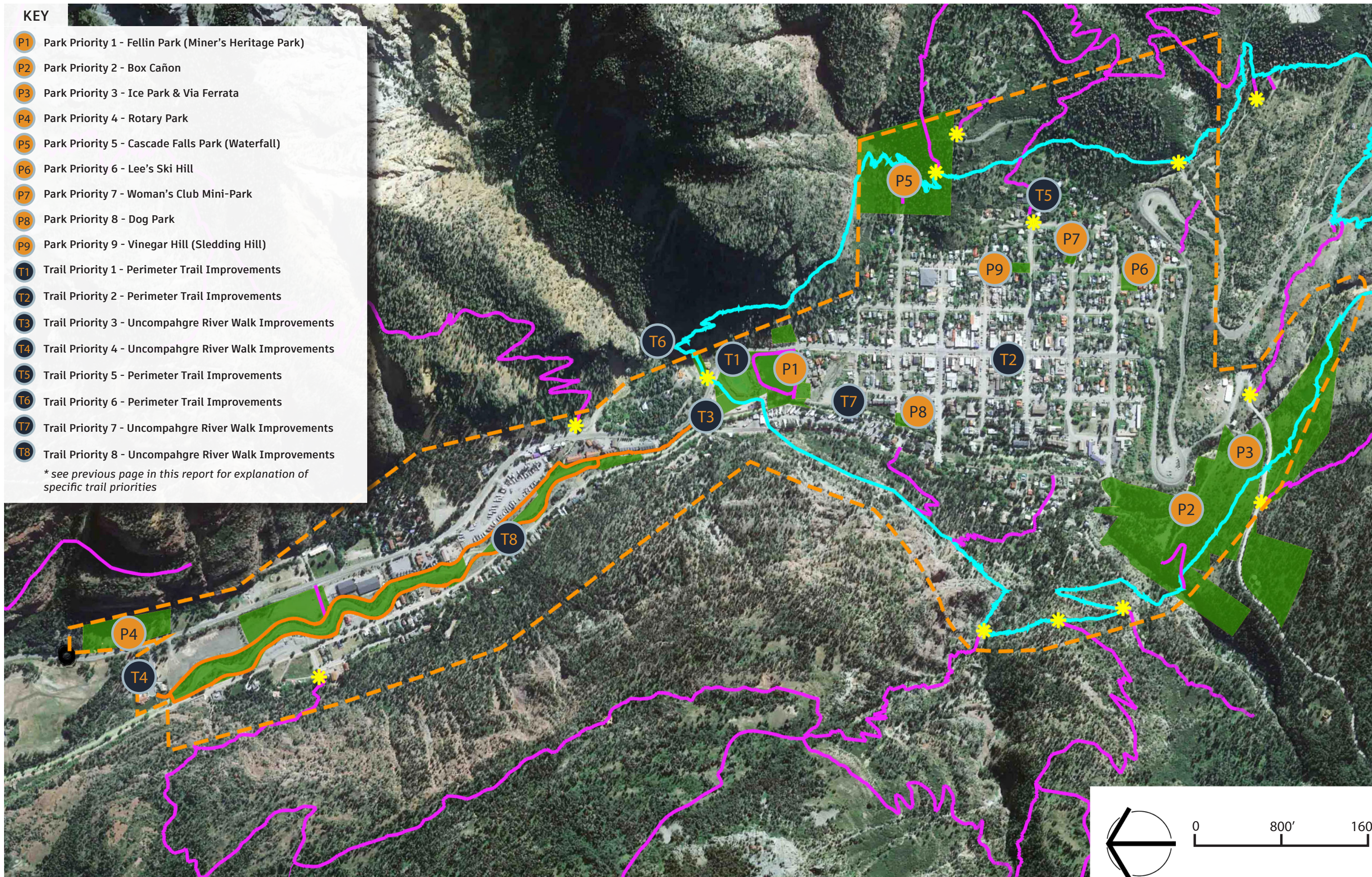


View of Ouray from the Perimeter Trail

KEY

- P1 Park Priority 1 - Fellin Park (Miner's Heritage Park)
- P2 Park Priority 2 - Box Cañon
- P3 Park Priority 3 - Ice Park & Via Ferrata
- P4 Park Priority 4 - Rotary Park
- P5 Park Priority 5 - Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall)
- P6 Park Priority 6 - Lee's Ski Hill
- P7 Park Priority 7 - Woman's Club Mini-Park
- P8 Park Priority 8 - Dog Park
- P9 Park Priority 9 - Vinegar Hill (Sledding Hill)
- T1 Trail Priority 1 - Perimeter Trail Improvements
- T2 Trail Priority 2 - Perimeter Trail Improvements
- T3 Trail Priority 3 - Uncompahgre River Walk Improvements
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- T6 Trail Priority 6 - Perimeter Trail Improvements
- T7 Trail Priority 7 - Uncompahgre River Walk Improvements
- T8 Trail Priority 8 - Uncompahgre River Walk Improvements

** see previous page in this report for explanation of specific trail priorities*



FELLIN PARK

Many different user groups frequent Fellin Park, including both residents and tourists. People of all ages also use the different park amenities such as children at the playground, high school track athletes, concert and event-goers, and many more. The proposed improvements to Fellin include the following:

- A permanent stage (2,655 SF)
- A larger playground (6,510 SF 5-12 yrs & 2,940 SF 2-5 yrs)
- A new skate park (25'x50' SF mini-ramp)
- Fixing the existing gazebo and relocating it within the park
- Improved picnicking plaza space by the new restrooms
- Paving and better delineating the parking lot and overflow RV parking lot
- Creating a Miner's Walk with lighting, landscape beds, informational signage, and mining features along the loop trail by HWY 550
- Improving the concrete by the Fish Pond
- Creating an improved vendor staging area along the river with power hook-ups
- Resurfacing the existing basketball court to fix the deteriorating concrete
- A new 20'x28' group picnic shelter (will hold 4 tables beneath)
- Improving wayfinding from the perimeter trail connection at the accessible bridge in the maintenance yard around the track by the Bath House by the fish pond and across HWY 550 to the Perimeter Trail
- Creating a Pedestrian crosswalk across HWY 550 to improve the perimeter trail connection and promote safety
- Improvements to Miner's Park to make more multi-functional (see page 35 of this report)
- Track and field improvements (creating a 100m long straightaway, a regulation-sized long jump pit, and providing a discuss/shot-put throw platform in the softball field)
- A new banner sign that features 6, 3' ht. by 8' wide signs and is approximately 12' tall by 27' wide
- Improved event delineation/fencing/staking

Notes:

1. A new 1,025 SF restroom is currently under construction. The old restrooms (405 SF) are proposed to remain in place and be converted to storage for the Ouray School Track Program, City Maintenance staff, and other approved park users.)

2. The design for a new permanent stage at Fellin Park is currently a separate process being completed by the City of Ouray with experienced stage design architect Jim Kehoe of Keo Studioworks. This process is in the schematic design phase currently.



Fellin Park Softball Field and Basketball Court



Permanent Stage, conceptual rendering done by Keo Studioworks



New Restroom (Coming In 2024). It will include; 1 Family stall, 4 Women's Stalls, 2 Urinals & 2 Men's Stalls, and a covered Patio



Outdoor workout equipment examples



Banner sign for information and upcoming events; example banner sign in Ridgway, Colorado showcased below



New Skate Park which features a sculptural linear skate path and a new mini ramp (see examples below)



New playground with modern equipment



Temporary event staking



MINER'S HERITAGE PARK

Miner's Heritage Park is located within Fellin Park and has high visibility as a park in Ouray. The Miner's Heritage Park features the annual mining competition called the Highgraders Holiday in August. Competitions that occur during this event include a horse shoe tournament, tug-of-war, hand mucking, spike driving, single man drilling, single jack, team drilling, machine mucking, double jack and hand games. As part of this master plan project, the Miner's Heritage Park proposed improvements seek to create a more multi-functional space at Fellin Park for year-round use, while not impeding the culturally-significant Highgraders Holiday event. Proposed improvements include the following:

- A multi-functional crusher fines surface plaza area that is both ADA accessible and soft surface for the Highgraders Holiday events. This space would be able to feature a 60'x80' event tent
- Interpretive signage by mining equipment around the plaza (an extension of the proposed Miner's Heritage Walk by HWY 550 in Fellin Park)
- Reconfiguring the location of some of the Highgraders Holiday events to provide more open space that functions as a plaza space.
- A landscape buffer with trees and fencing
- Relocating the Bar to a more central location between the proposed crusher fines plaza and basketball court (to make it more accessible if both spaces were used jointly for events)
- A new Miner's Heritage Park Plaza gateway sign
- Improvements to the existing Miner's Park Stage and storage area

The Highgraders Holiday Event



A participant competes in the Spike Driving



The team drilling event



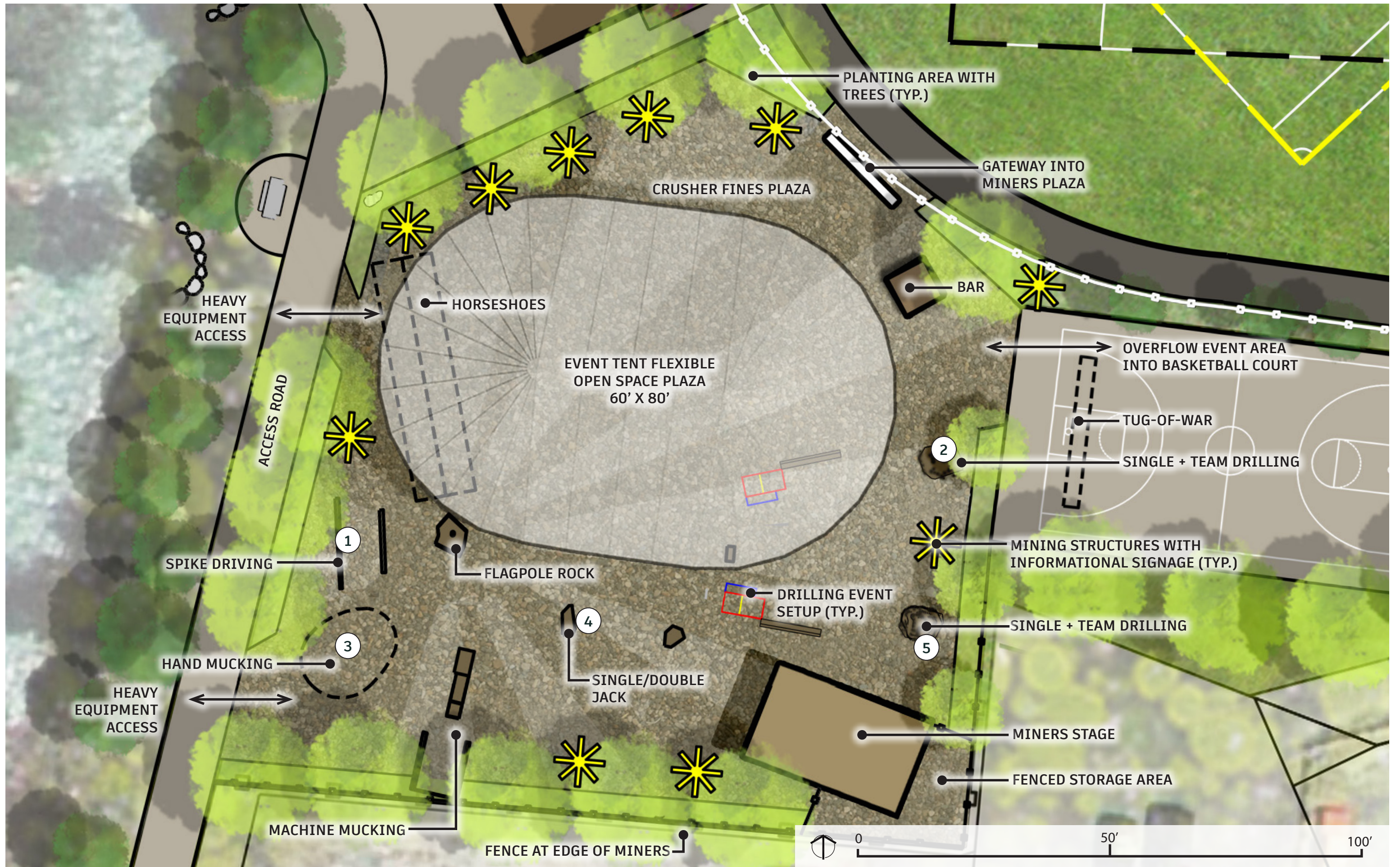
A participant takes on the hand mucking event



Participants in the single jack event



A contestant participates in the single man drilling event



MINER'S HERITAGE PARK ENTRANCE

Creating a grand entry sign into Miner's Heritage Park is a great placemaking opportunity; it would make this space its own celebrated destination within Fellin Park. The loop path intersection at the southwest side of the Fellin Park is a good location for the vertical gateway into the multi-functional Miner's Heritage Park and acts as a terminus for the trail from both directions.

The proximity of Miner's Heritage Park from the softball field and the proposed new permanent stage location would also be beneficial from an event-hosting perspective. A large event tent could be set up in the multi-functional open space on the north side of miner's park to act as a covered gathering area for park visitors.



Designated plaza space for events



Crusher fines plaza surface



Temporary event tent on plaza



Miner's walk with informational signage; examples of layouts and types



BOX CAÑON/ICE PARK/VIA FERRATA

Box Cañon

Box Cañon is one of Ouray's most stunning parks and natural areas. This truly unique park is a feat of human engineering and allows people of all abilities to view a beautiful and awe-inspiring natural gorge at the confluence of Canyon Creek and the Uncompahgre River. The recommendations for this park that were garnered together during the design team's site visits and public process include the following:

- Improve parking lot delineation and efficiency at the Visitor Center; this could be accomplished through temporary paint striping, using old firetruck water hoses staked into the ground, or in the future paving and striping the lot
- Improve wayfinding and trail access from the City at the intersection of Oak St., 3rd Ave., and Box Canyon Rd.
- Improve wayfinding and trail access from the HWY 550 horseshoe-shaped overflow lot
- Future improvements for trail access could feature the construction of a pedestrian bridge over the Uncompahgre River Gorge



Ouray Ice Park

The Ouray Ice Park is located in a similar use area as Box Cañon in the Uncompahgre River Gorge. (See the adjacent map.) In speaking with the Ouray Ice Park group members and as part of the public process of this master plan project, improvements recommended are listed below.

- Improve ice climbing access by enhancing wayfinding and trails from parking areas to climbing and viewing areas
- Create more viewing areas for bystanders

*Also important to note is the addition of a new climb called "Two-Eyed Dog Wall" to the southwest in the gorge between "New Funtier" and "South Park" and new permanent restrooms near the "Between the Bridges" climb coming in 2024.



Source: Ouray Ice Park

Via Ferrata

The Via Ferrata is also located near the Ouray Ice Park and Box Cañon in the Uncompahgre River Gorge. With over 9,000+ linear feet total length of the Downstream and Upstream routes, there are not current plans for expanding the length of the Via Ferrata. Therefore, most suggestions for the Via Ferrata are similar to the Ouray Ice Park recommendations. See list below.

- Improvements for parking and wayfinding
- Creating more viewing areas for bystanders



Source: San Juan Mountain Guides

New pedestrian bridge for trail access to Box Cañon



Delineate parking areas by temporary striping



Creation of a new Box Cañon Park self-service pay station



Create more viewing areas at the Ice Park and Via Ferrata similar to this existing one



ROTARY PARK

Proposed improvements for Rotary Park attempt at making the seasonal park spaces more multi-functional throughout the year and include the following amenities::

- Consolidating parking and vehicular drive lanes to one area to free up park space for more activities
- A new entry sign at the north end of the park
- A covered ice rink to allow the skating season to extend
- Paving the ice rink with concrete surfacing and striping (4) pickleball courts for summer use; this space could also function for craft fairs and farmer's market events
- A new enlarged warming hut at the ice rink (20'x28')
- A new picnic shelter at the ice rink (20'x28' that will hold 4 tables)
- A new zamboni storage area (20'x28')
- Flexible park space for future park improvements/use options (1.3 acres)
- Improved lawn area
- New trees
- Improved picnic area with fixed tables to improve safety by climbing area
- New climbing information kiosk
- A new competition climbing tower positioned at the south park entrance to act as a vertical terminus to the Uncompahgre River Walk connection
- A new playground (2,870 SF)
- A 420 LF strider track by the playground
- Improved concrete walk connections to park features
- A natural practice climbing boulder by the climbing area entrance
- A new climbing information kiosk
- A new pedestrian crosswalk across HWY 550 to improve safety and the connection via the Chautauqua Lane sidewalk to the Uncompahgre River Walk

"The ice rink used to be such a great place for youth hockey. It would be great to see money invested in a cover so the ice would be more consistent."

- Survey Respondent #31

Full coverage shelter over an outdoor ice rink example such as the Big Mine Ice Arena in Crested Butte, Colorado



Example of Pickleball courts that could be installed on the ice rink to promote summer use



New competition climbing tower positioned at the south park entrance with interchangeable panels



A partial coverage over an outdoor ice rink example such as Brian's Park Ice Rink in Victor, Colorado

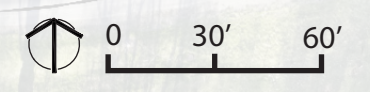


New playground with modern equipment



A natural practice climbing boulder

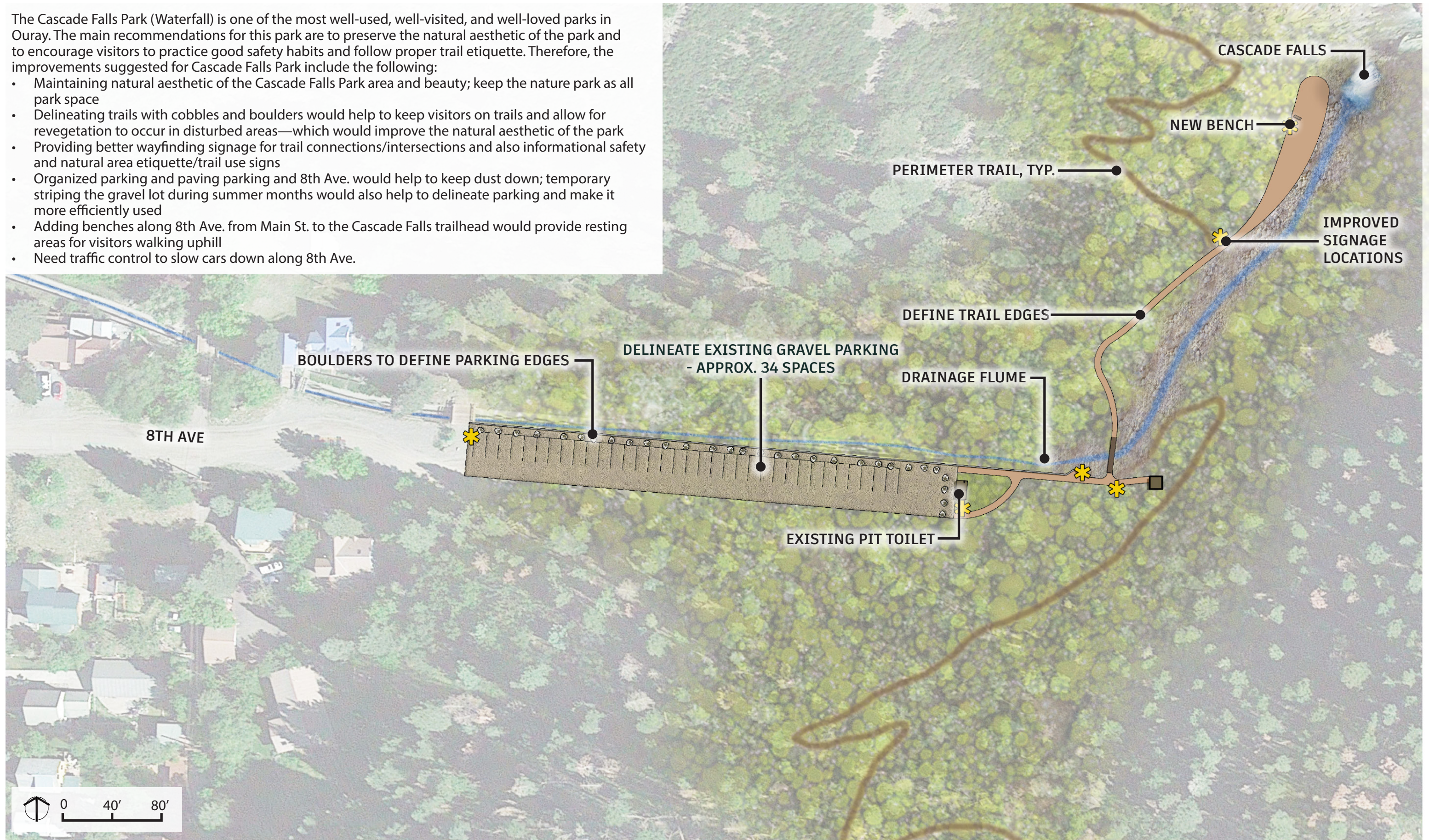




CASCADE FALLS PARK (WATERFALL)

The Cascade Falls Park (Waterfall) is one of the most well-used, well-visited, and well-loved parks in Ouray. The main recommendations for this park are to preserve the natural aesthetic of the park and to encourage visitors to practice good safety habits and follow proper trail etiquette. Therefore, the improvements suggested for Cascade Falls Park include the following:

- Maintaining natural aesthetic of the Cascade Falls Park area and beauty; keep the nature park as all park space
- Delineating trails with cobbles and boulders would help to keep visitors on trails and allow for revegetation to occur in disturbed areas—which would improve the natural aesthetic of the park
- Providing better wayfinding signage for trail connections/intersections and also informational safety and natural area etiquette/trail use signs
- Organized parking and paving parking and 8th Ave. would help to keep dust down; temporary striping the gravel lot during summer months would also help to delineate parking and make it more efficiently used
- Adding benches along 8th Ave. from Main St. to the Cascade Falls trailhead would provide resting areas for visitors walking uphill
- Need traffic control to slow cars down along 8th Ave.



Improve dated trail signage/wayfinding



Define trail edges with cobble or boulders & improve signage/wayfinding



Create boulder edge seating, revegetate around trail, and define trail edges with cobbles or boulders

Improve dated trail signage/wayfinding

LEE'S SKI HILL

The main goals per the community input for Lee's Ski Hill were to make the park multi-functional for summer use as well as for the ski hill in the winter. Proposed improvements for Lee's Ski Hill include:

- A new rope tow & mechanical building per current regulations
- New benches and viewing areas
- A graded-in mountain bike trail and berm
- New boulders at edge of the bike trail
- Improvements to the fire pit community area
- A new outdoor movies screen with mining trestle frame
- Crusher fines plaza community area at 3rd Ave. by parking

*"I believe Lee's Ski Hill is a big asset to the community."
- Survey Respondent #66*

The winter gathering/community area



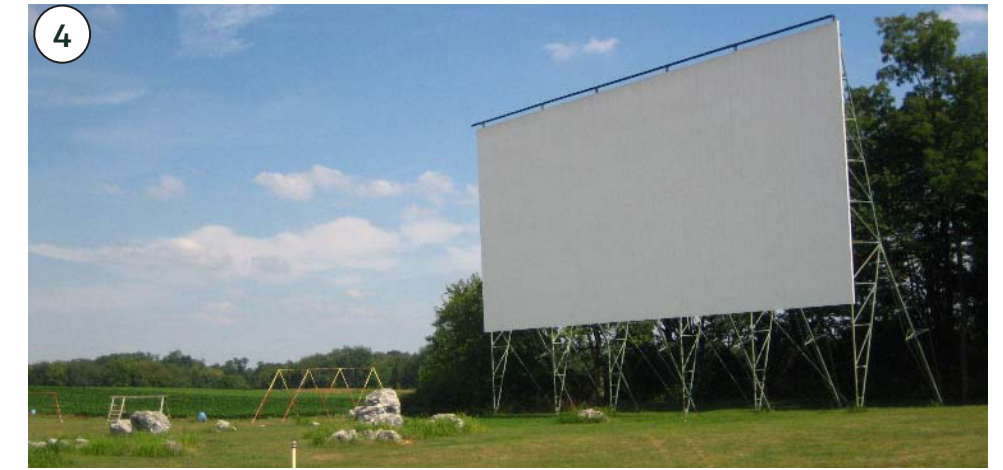
Example of creating a graded-in mountain bike trail and berm

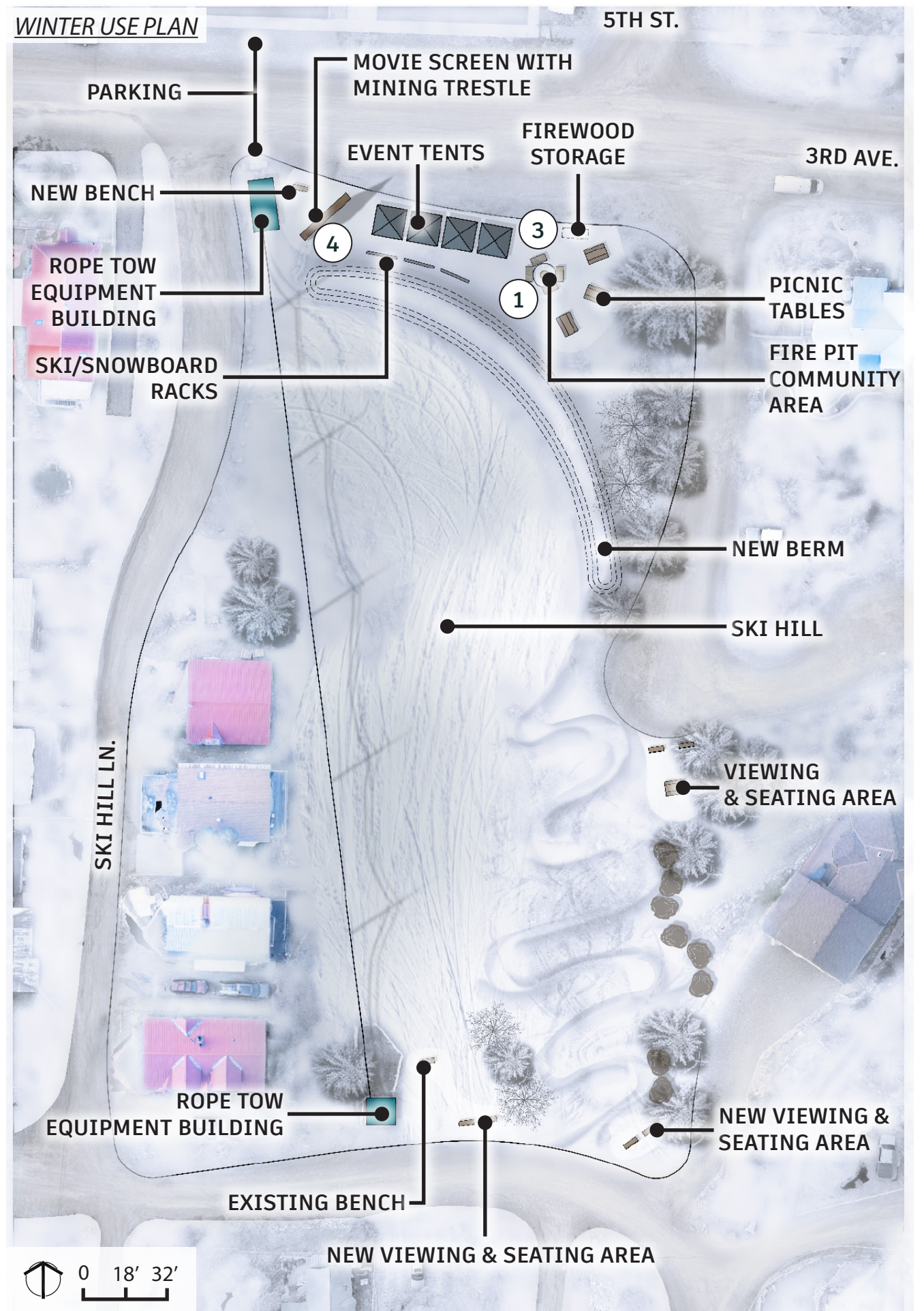
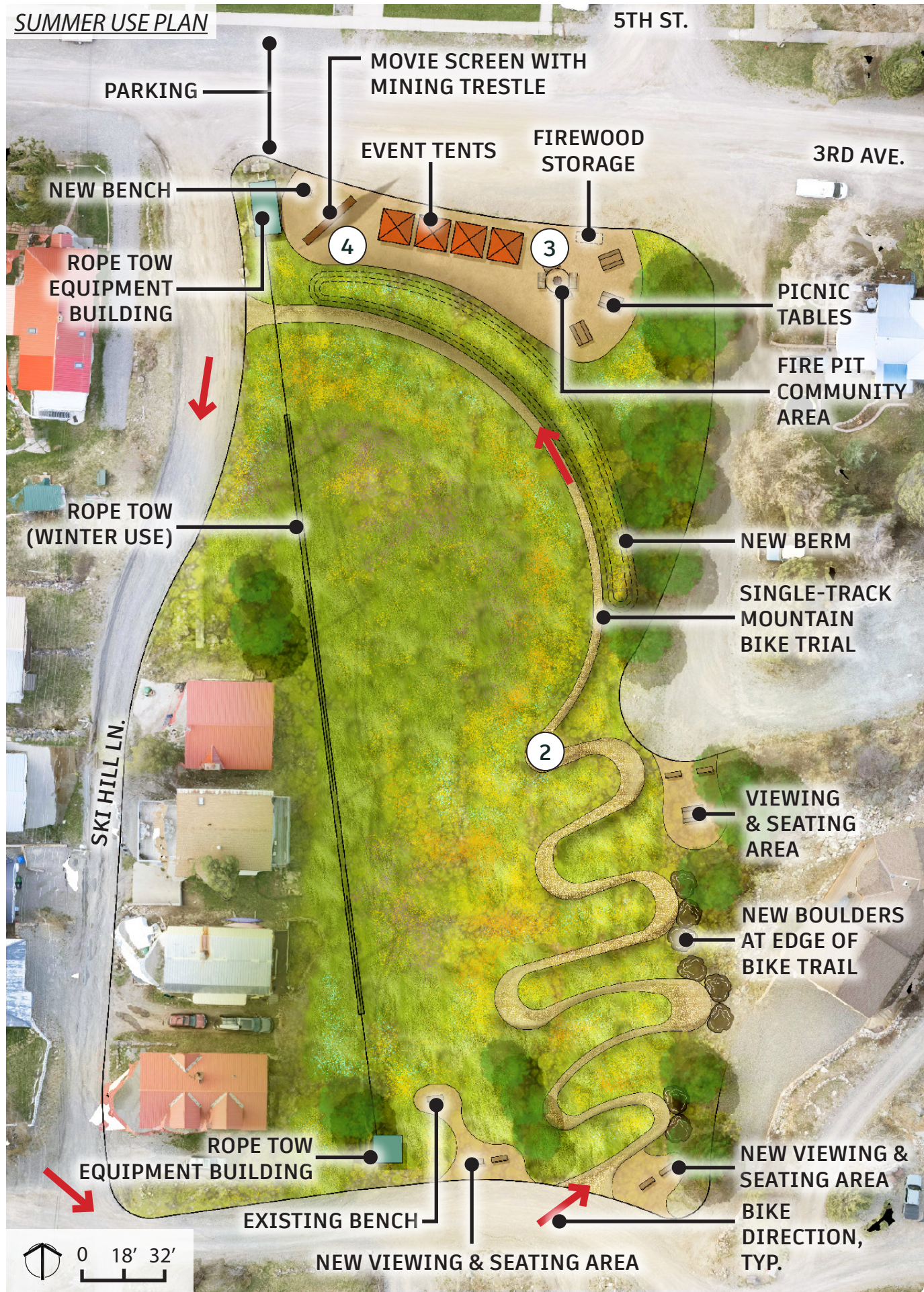


Improvements to the fire pit community area



A new outdoor movies screen with mining trestle frame near the community gathering area





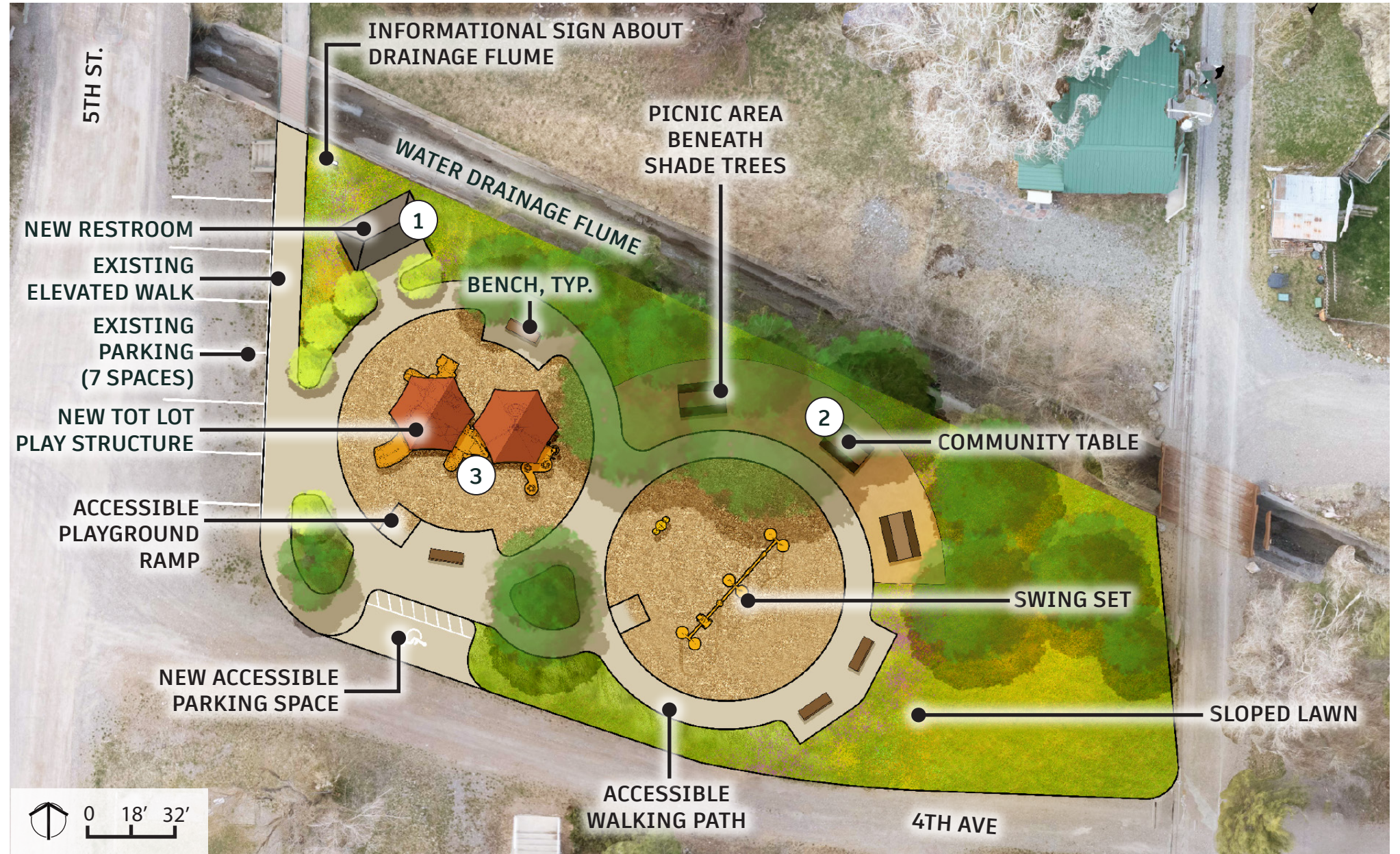
WOMAN'S CLUB MINI-PARK

Community input for Woman's Club Mini-Park recommended that the current amenities within the park remain and be enhanced. These proposed improvements for Woman's Club Mini Park include:

- A new public two-stall restroom facility that can be used for both Lee's Ski Hill users and Woman's Club Mini-Park users.
- Improved playground areas with accessible playground ramps and playground surfacing.
- An accessible parking space
- Improved accessible concrete walk connections
- New benches and picnic areas
- An accessible community picnic table/gathering area
- Stabilized crusher fines picnic area surfacing
- Additional trees

"The Woman's Park is a great family relaxing spot; I usually stop there for a short break while walking around the town."
 - Survey Respondent #10

New restroom example will include, 1 Family stall, connection to City water, and vicinity to Lee's ski hill (1 block walk)



Example of a custom community table area



New tot lot with modern equipment





DOG PARK

Input from the community during the public process part of this master plan development varied, but a majority of residents desired to have improved surfacing at the Dog Park and to show separation for big and small dogs. The proposed improvements featured at the Dog Park include the following:

- Agility course features for both big and small dogs
- Dog pools and water spigots for both big and small dogs
- Water fountains for both people and dogs
- Benches, picnic tables, and trash receptacles
- Concrete walking paths
- Crusher fines surfacing for easy maintenance
- Deciduous trees and drip irrigation
- New fencing
- Separate gated/fenced entrances for big and small dogs

*It is important to note that separation of the existing Dog Park for different sizes of dogs may make the already-small dog park feel smaller. Please see the Future Opportunities section of this report on page 51 for additional information on dog park recommendations.

Water Spigot for potable water



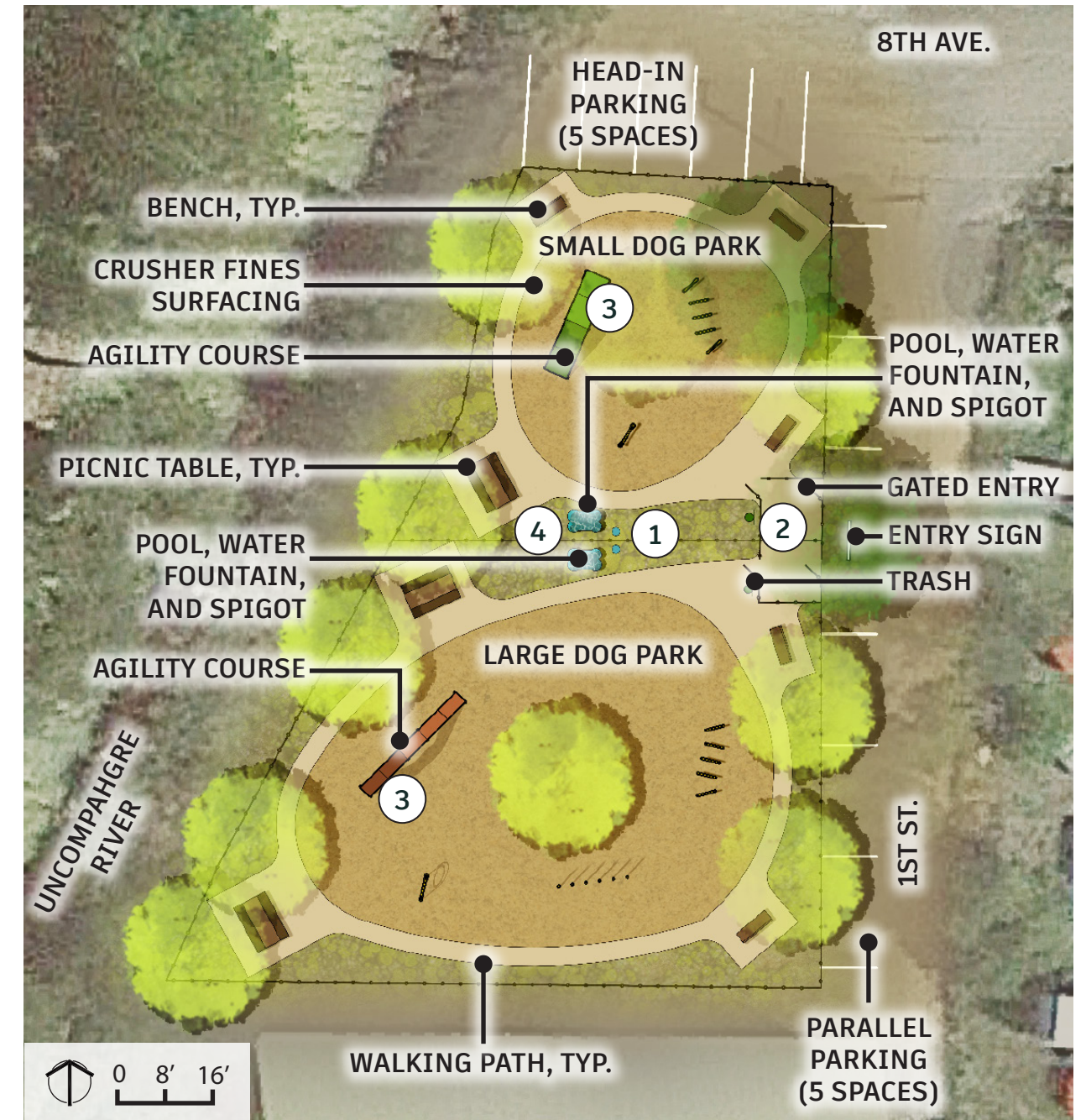
Separated dog park entrance with separated small and large dog areas



Dog agility course and play features



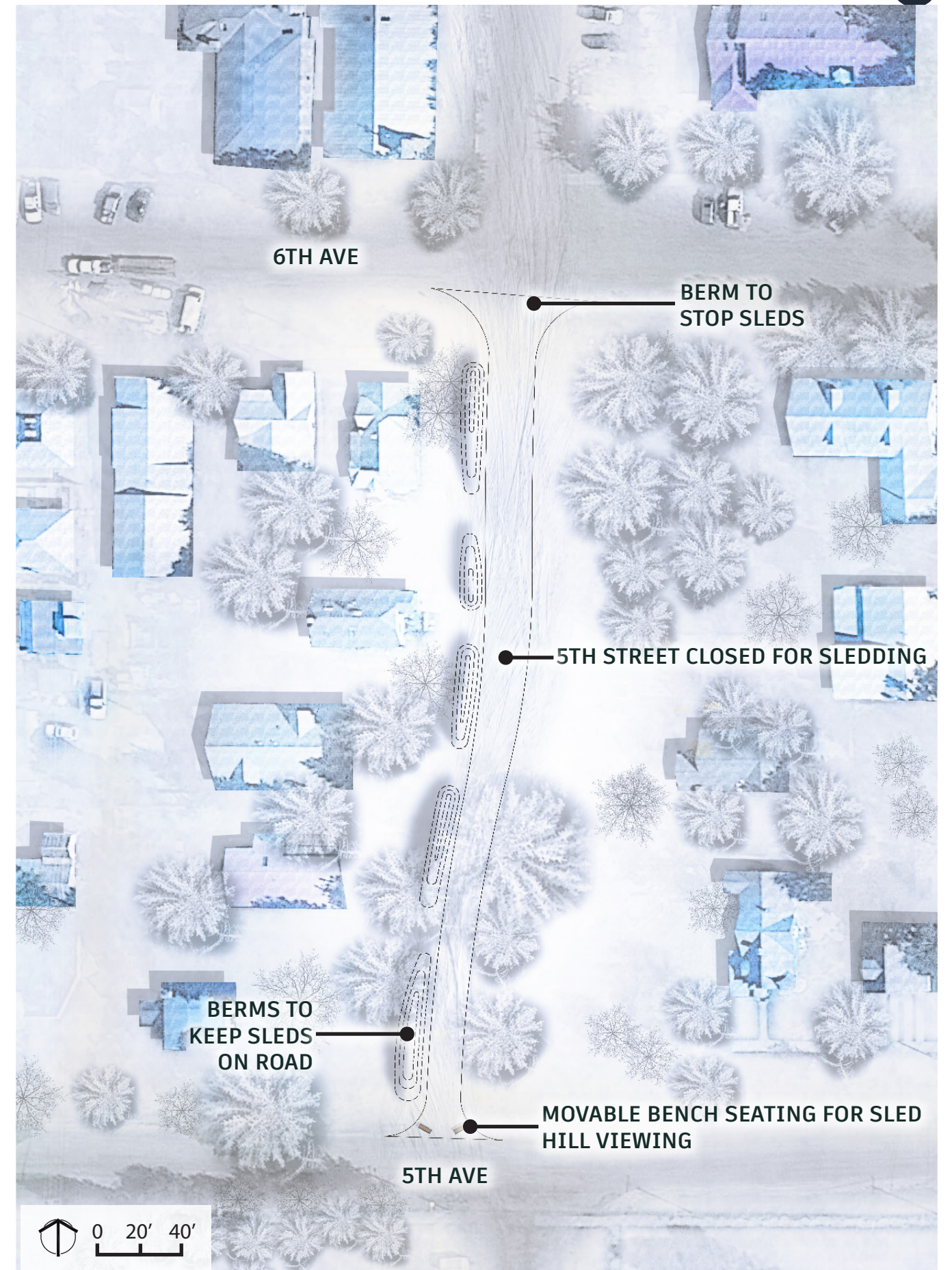
Dog and human combination water fountain



VINEGAR HILL (SLEDDING HILL)

Sledding Hill is a smaller and more temporary park that is only used as a park during the winter season. Therefore, recommendations to this park are more movable and smaller in scale to Ouray's other parks. These improvements are bulleted below.

- Create a snow berm or haybale barrier on the west side of 5th St. on the downhill side of the sled hill; this would offer a safety barrier to keep sledders from entering residential backyards
- Create a larger snow berm at the bottom of Vinegar Hill (at 6th Ave.) to keep sledders from entering open vehicular drive lanes
- Place movable benches at the top of 5th Ave. as a resting/viewing area for Sledding Hill



TRAILS

Ouray's trails are well-loved and well-used by the community. In the public process, many responses and suggestions were garnered towards the betterment and preservation of local trail systems. Below are recommendations for Ouray's trails that were within the study area of this master plan project.

Overall/General Comments – applicable to all trails

- Trail access is important; privatizing of access points as private property is bought and developed is a concern
- Offer access to people of different abilities
- Maintaining natural aesthetic of these systems and beauty
- Improving signage – especially regarding trail use, wayfinding, and level of difficulty and distances
- Keep improving and expanding parking for trailhead access

Perimeter Trail

- Need to improve wayfinding from Main St. to trailheads and parking; new kiosks and parking have already been installed at Oak St. and by Fellin Park on the other side of HWY 550
- Create better route and wayfinding through Fellin Park to cross HWY 550 (with a new pedestrian crosswalk) and access the Perimeter Trail (see Fellin Park master plan for the proposed route on page XX of this report)
- Improve several sections of trail for safety (see map on next page)

Uncompahgre River Walk

- Goal to create an extension of the Uncompahgre River Walk Trail through the city along the Uncompahgre River all the way from Box Cañon to Chautauqua Ln.
- Improve connection from Rotary Park to Uncompahgre River Walk via a Chautauqua Ln. connection and new crosswalk
 - » Could potentially route the trail across the Uncompahgre River at 7th Ave down to the city's public works are on Oak Street to handle all the foot traffic and reduce the conflict between cars and people
- Need to improve the Uncompahgre River Walk access (onto and off of trail as well as to other amenities and seating areas along the trail)
- Annual maintenance is required: cut down willows growing into trail path, improve surface accessibility, etc.
- Improvements to Nordic Ski trail maintenance in the winter use would be good; need both educational signage and regular grooming of trails



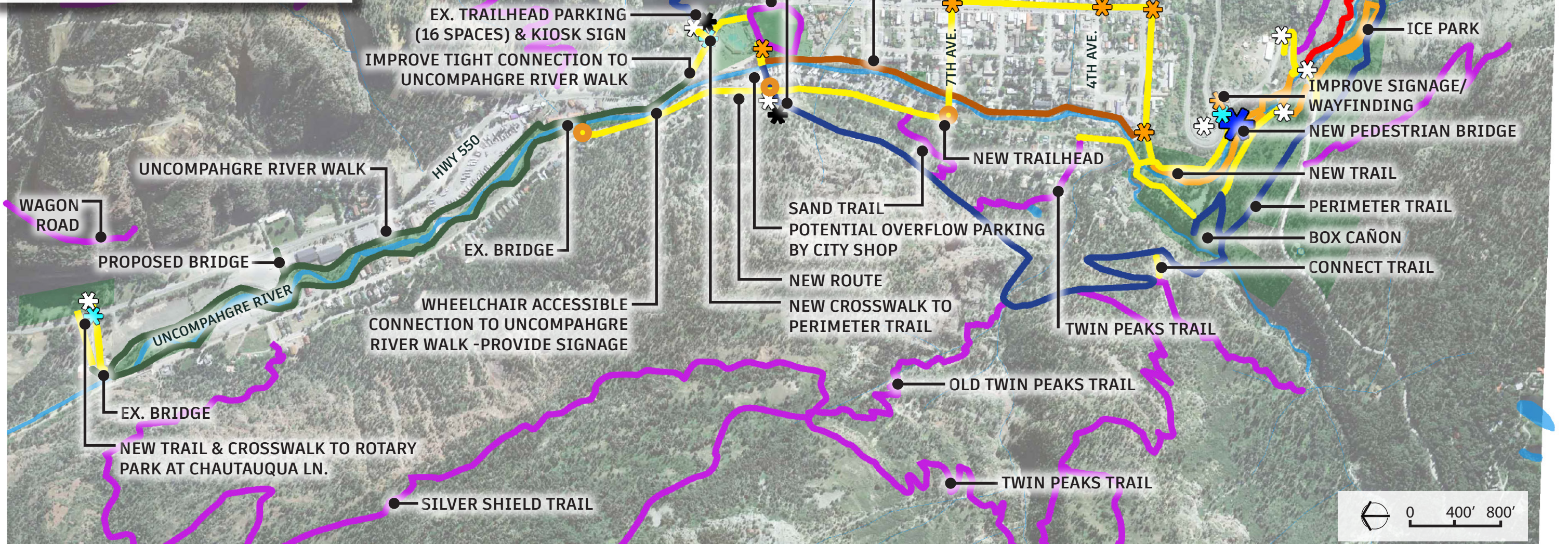
Uncompahgre River Walk



View Point on the Perimeter Trail

KEY

- Proposed Trails or Sidewalk Improvements
- Existing Trails
- Via Ferrata
- Ice Park Trails
- Perimeter Trail
- Uncompahgre River Walk
- Alternate Proposed Trail Route
- Proposed Trail Improvements
- Wayfinding Improvements
- Existing Parking
- Existing Wayfinding Kiosk
- Improved Intersection with Crosswalk
- New Pedestrian Bridge
- Improvement Priority



FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Future opportunities that are more long-term goals or were not shown on the proposed parks and trails recommendations conceptual master plan renderings and diagrams are listed in this section. These include the following features for each park/trails area.

Fellin Park

- **A New Bath House:** A new bath house has been desired by the community and in discussion for many years in Ouray. This feature would be constructed in the same location as the existing Bath House and may feature expanded square footage. A preliminary cost estimate for this is featured in Appendix A.
- **A New Weight Room Building:** Move the existing weight room out of the Bath House and build a separate adjacent building by the Fish Pond. (This is due to structural concerns of the heavy machinery in the Bath House's second level.) Convert the existing weight room space in the Bath House to community event rental space.
- **New Track/Walking Path Surfacing:** Replace the existing asphalt walking path surfacing on the loop trail around Fellin Park with synthetic rubber athletic track surfacing. (This is desirable due to the path being utilized by the Ouray Schools Track and Field program as well as by many locals and visitors as the most-frequented walking path in the city).
- **A splash park** could be created close to or within the hot springs complex in Fellin Park.
- There is potential to add in some movable soccer goals onto the softball field to offer soccer in Ouray.

Rotary Park

- **Full-Coverage Permanent Shelter over Ice Rink:** In order to extend the ice-skating season at the Rotary Park outdoor ice rink, the construction of a shade shelter was proposed by the community at the public meetings. One of the options (shown in the base bid design) is to construct a partial shade shelter with fabric that is temporary and would be removed seasonally. (A benefit of this type of shelter would be that visibility would not be impacted as significantly as would a full-coverage permanent shelter. Skaters would still be able to see the stars and cliffs in the landscape while skating with a partial-type fabric style shelter.) A full-coverage permanent shade shelter would be more desirable and permanent and would also require less maintenance, but is also a more expensive option—which is why this is shown as a potential future phase option.
- **Curling** could be a future use at the Ice Rink in Rotary Park; this could use the existing ice rink infrastructure with some updated striping.
- **A disk golf course** could be another park use phased-in the undeveloped park flex space.

Dog Park

- **Construction of a Second Larger Dog Park Area:** The existing Dog Park is only 9,800 square feet (or 0.2 acres) of usable space. (Part of the existing property extends into the river—which is not usable due to contaminated water from past mining activities and exposed geological features.) This is much smaller than the ideal size for a community dog park. Most current recommendations for dog parks feature at least a half-acre minimum with one acre being the preferred minimum size for a dog park. Therefore, it would be desirable to include into this master plan document that the development of a fenced one-acre minimum size dog park should be planned for in future parks development. One potential location for this is at Rotary Park where an approximately 1.3 acre unplanned flex space is located at the north end of the park. The current dog park location is desirable based on its location within the City and at an easily walkable distance for many residents. Separated areas for small and large dogs were also stated as desirable by residents.

Cascade Falls Park

- **Paved Parking:** It may be desirable to pave the Cascade Falls parking lot at some point in the future. Locals who attended the public meetings mentioned that demarcating parking spaces and improving parking was their top priority for improvement at the Cascade Falls Park. This may also help with winter plowing efforts and improve parking efficiency at the trailhead/parking lot.

Box Cañon

- **Paved Parking:** Paved parking is a potential future improvement desired at the Box Cañon Falls Park and Nature Center Visitor Center Parking Lot. This would help with parking efficiency by demarcating parking spaces as well as with reducing mud in the parking lot area. Approximately 43 spaces would be able to fit at the Visitor Center Parking Lot if they were paved and demarcated. Paving parking may also be a future desired improvement for the overflow parking lot at the Highway 550/Million Dollar Highway's horseshoe-shaped parking area. If this area were paved and striped, it would enhance both parking usability and efficiency and would be able to host at least 51 regular-sized parking spaces and 20 over-sized RV parking spaces.
- **New Pedestrian Bridge and Trails:** A new pedestrian bridge and additional soft surface trail connections are proposed future improvements to the Box Cañon Falls Park as well. These include a weathering steel pedestrian bridge across the Uncompahgre River near the pipeline crossing by the Million Dollar Highway's horseshoe-shaped overflow parking lot. One proposed trail connection to the pedestrian bridge would provide access from this overflow lot to the new bridge, which would then follow the Box Cañon Road to the Visitor Center on the south side of the river. The other associated trail connection would tie in at the end of 3rd Ave.

by Box Canyon Lodge & Hot Springs and would follow the southeast edge of Box Canyon Road to the proposed new pedestrian bridge. All of these desired future improvements aim towards enhancing pedestrian access to Box Cañon and to provide pedestrian connections to additional parking areas. The existing Visitor Center Parking Lot only fits approximately 30-40 spaces currently and is not striped, which reduces efficiency even more.

Ice Park & Via Ferrata

- **Paved Parking:** As these areas become more visited each year and parking fills up, it may be advantageous to pave existing parking lots for these features as well to improve efficiency and usability. If striped, these parking lots could fit approximately 29 and 8 spaces respectively.

Trails

- Providing better bike trails as part of the Ouray trails system would be beneficial.
- It may be beneficial in the future to pave and widen the Uncompahgre River Walk in order to dual-function as an accessible walking trail and paved bike trail.
- As the City continues to expand the Uncompahgre River Walk system, it would be a priority to develop an extension of the path along the river all the way from Rotary Park to the end of 3rd Ave. by the vehicular exit route to Box Cañon Falls.
- The City acquisition of the entire Perimeter Trail was also stated as a key future goal so that it can never be privatized.



Uncompahgre River Walk



Aerial View of Ouray Facing South

CHAPTER FOUR IMPLEMENTATION



IMPLEMENTATION

Project Phasing

The purpose of this Master Plan document is to act as a road map for the future development and improvements to Ouray's Parks and Trails systems. With input from the community and availability of funding, prioritization on the parks and trails improvement projects can be chosen and built. It is anticipated that as parks and trails projects are selected and slated for construction, design consultants will be employed to develop construction documents and will prepare more detailed cost estimates. Based on available funding and other considerations, it is suggested the list of parks and trails projects outlined in this master plan be divided into many different phases with funds budgeted towards the goal of completing a logically usable phase (which can stand on its own) each fiscal year. The completion of all recommended projects outlined in this master plan for Ouray's extensive parks and trails system may take 20 years or more to complete. As these improvement projects take place over time, priorities may shift. It is important that the City continue to reevaluate priorities and phasing of improvements every five to 10 years to continue to align with the community goals for enhancing Ouray's parks and trails network.

Phasing of projects is best guided by several criteria including:

- An immediate opportunity where a logical, usable connection can be made with current or readily available resources
- Availability of rights-of-way and permitting
- Availability of funding and/or grants to build and maintain improvements
- Catalyst projects that demonstrate the value of the project, build public support and help promote further community support and fund-raising
- Opportunity to include a trail with a current private or public development project such as a highway improvement, access road or new subdivision
- Projects that can be completed using volunteers or in-kind labor and resources.
- Segments that offer an exceptional experience and/or are highly visible to the public
- Availability of funding and/or grants to build and maintain improvements

Next Steps

The next steps that the City should take are to: 1) identify high priority projects, 2) start fundraising and planning efforts for the construction of these projects, and 3) hire design professionals to develop more detailed construction documents and cost estimates for implementation. The recommended organizational structure for effective implementation of the proposed parks and trails recommendations outlined in this master plan document are shown in further detail on page 69 of this report.

Funding Strategy

There are several potential funding sources likely to be available over the next several years. These include:

Local Appropriations

These funds come from City and County revenues (property taxes, restaurant and lodging taxes) and other sources and appropriations. This local commitment is key to providing match money and helping leverage potential outside funding.

Create a Designated Fund

There are numerous examples of special taxes, typically a sales tax increment at the County level, dedicated to open space, trails, parks and other similar community investments. These projects have been phenomenally successful in Durango, Colorado along the Colorado Front Range, and other locations where a very small increment on sales can generate substantial funds that can be invested in infrastructure vital to the long-term health and economic well being of the community. This type of tax is especially beneficial in tourism-based places where a substantial portion of the revenue comes from outside the area such as a lodging tax.

Local Development

As new development comes on line a number of communities have been successful in funding trails and greenway improvements through the sub-division process. As an example, Commerce City, Colorado has been extremely successful working with developers to set aside open space corridors and build trails and parks in the developing area west of Denver International Airport. A key to this success was having a sound master plan in place. It should be noted that many developers want these improvements because they recognize them as essential benefits for the future marketability of their lands.

Conservation Set-Aside Tax Benefits

Under Colorado Law, landowners who agree to set aside developable lands for conservation purposes can reap substantial tax benefits directly, or cash benefits, by re-marketing the tax benefits to others in need of a state tax deduction.

Individual, Philanthropic and Corporate Giving

There are several possible sources of private sector funding for trail and recreation projects. Programs and levels of sponsorship vary. These might include: gifts, grants, bequests, fund-raising events and other forms of giving. There are many ways to recognize these individuals or groups such as signage along trails or in parks where the gifts were used in a project's development.

In-Kind and Volunteerism

There are opportunities to engage in-kind services from public agencies or private participants both in land donations and possibly use of equipment, labor or materials. This might also include the local schools, youth programs, scout projects, and volunteerism.



Miner's Heritage Park

Suggested Grants/Foundation Opportunities

There are several potential grant sources typically considered for recreation and trails projects. The following list illustrates a number of grant funding agencies and programs that may provide access to funding for planning and/or implementation of specific recreation and trails projects. This list should not be considered exhaustive; the most effective method for choosing and pursuing grant funding is to engage the expertise of a grant writing professional or an individual with direct experience in winning grant funding to evaluate funding opportunities and assemble grant applications for the City.

Fundable Project Elements

- Recreation, including climbing
- Interpretation (signage)
- Education
- Restoration
- Public Access
- Specialized Programming (climbing, biking, trails, etc.)
- Energy Efficiency
- Public Art
- Public Transportation

Eligible Local Projects

- Playgrounds
- Trails
- Connectivity to City amenities
- Environmental education facilities
- Outdoor amenities including climbing areas at Rotary and Ice Park
- Infrastructure (irrigation, sprinkler systems, drainage pipes, parking lots, lighting)
- Amenities (restrooms, drinking fountains, benches, picnic tables, pavilions, etc.)

Colorado Grant Programs

- **GOCO - Special Initiative Grants**
www.goco.org/grants
GOCO offers competitive grant programs for outdoor recreation, land conservation, and stewardship projects in Colorado.
- **Colorado Department of Local Affairs**
dlg.colorado.gov/conservation-trust-fund-ctf
Conservation Trust Fund, funding can be used for the acquisition, development, and maintenance of new conservation sites or for capital improvements or maintenance for recreational purposes on any public site.
- **Colorado Department of Transportation - Transportation Alternatives Program**
www.codot.gov/programs/planning/grants/tap-fiscal-years-2024-26
Federal funds are allocated under the TAP program to transportation improvement projects that expand travel choice, strengthen the local economy, improve quality of life, and protect the environment. Many TAP projects enhance non-motorized forms of transportation like biking and walking.
- **The Gates Family Foundation**
gatesfamilyfoundation.org/engage/how-to-apply/
The mission of the Gates Family Foundation is to invest in projects and organizations which have meaningful impact in Colorado primarily through capital grants and Foundation initiatives that enhance the quality of life for those living in, working in and visiting the state. The Foundation seeks to promote excellence, innovation and self-sufficiency in education, healthy lifestyles, community enrichment, connection to nature and stewardship of the state's natural inheritance.
- **Colorado Parks and Wildlife Division (CPW)**
The Recreational (non-motorized) Trails Program
cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Non-Motorized-Trail-Program.aspx
The Non-motorized Grant Program is a multi-agency funding partnership that includes Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), Colorado Lottery, Federal Recreational Trails Program funds (RTP) and Federal Land and Water Conservation funds (LWCF). This Grant Program provides funding for trail planning projects as well as small and large trail construction and maintenance projects.

Federal Grant Programs

- **America Walks**
americawalks.org/programs/community-change-grants/
The Community Change Grants program supports the growing network of advocates, organizations, and agencies working to advance walkability. Grants are awarded to innovative, engaging, and inclusive programs and projects that create change and opportunity for walking and movement at the community level.
- **Advocacy Advance**
www.advocacyadvance.org/
Advocacy Advance Grants, a dynamic partnership of the League of American Bicyclists and the Alliance for Biking & Walking -- aims to boost local and state bicycle and pedestrian advocacy efforts. With support from SRAM Cycling Fund, the Everybody Walk Collaborative, REI and New Belgium Brewing, Advocacy Advance provides targeted trainings, reports, grants and assistance to equip advocates with the specific tools they need to increase biking and walking in their communities.
- **USDA - Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program**
www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program
This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.
- **Access Fund - Climbing Conservation Grant**
<https://www.accessfund.org/grants/climbing-conservation-grant-program>
Access Fund's Climbing Conservation Grant Program funds projects that preserve or enhance climbing access and opportunities and conserve the climbing environment throughout the US.
- **American Alpine Club**
<https://americanalpineclub.org/grants>
The AAC has a storied legacy of funding climbing, conservation, and research projects in support of our mission. Through the years, AAC grants have been responsible for encouraging thousands of climbers to dream big and push their limits; for establishing hundreds of cutting-edge new routes of remote and major peaks around the world; for improving infrastructure at climbing areas across the country; and funding scientific research expeditions that have contributed valuable information to our understanding of the world's mountain ecosystems.

Other Federal Grants

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

APPENDIX A COST ESTIMATION



PRELIMINARY OPINION OF PROBABLE COSTS

The costs featured on the next few pages represent a rough opinion estimate of probable costs per current analysis of market costs as of September, 2023. As time progresses, escalation of these preliminary prices will increase at an estimated rate of 9% per year. It is important to note that construction costs from 2020 through present have been very volatile and unprecedentedly high to the extent of quadruple the cost of some material types. It is unknown if this escalation rate will continue at the current rate moving forward. These preliminary opinions of probable costs can be used to budget for funding and apply at different facilities for grants as the City selects and constructs different park improvements. The costs shown are high level numbers for the construction of specific park features as listed. A design fee of 10% of the total cost; a contractor fees, bonding, and mobilization fee of 20% of the total cost; and a contingency fee of 25% of the total cost should be added to the total of the line items that are selected as projects for development and as funding is acquired.

As each design moves forward from a master plan level, layouts and materials may change and cost estimates will need to be updated.



High Bridge on the Perimeter Trail overlooking Box Cañon



Box Cañon sign viewed from the Perimeter Trail

FELLIN PARK

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
<u>Structures & Amenities</u>				
Site Demo/Mobilization	1	LS	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
New Picnic Shelter (20'x28'; 1 is existing)	1	LS	\$58,000.00	\$58,000.00
Gazebo (repair and relocate)	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
New Playground (estimating \$65/SF; would be poured-in-place safety surfacing)	8,820	SF	\$65.00	\$573,300.00
New Skate Park (Mini - Ramp & 2 sculptural skate path segments)	4,115	SF	\$85.00	\$349,775.00
Repair Basketball Court (post tension slab; could be reduced to regular concrete with control and expansion joints)	4,200	SF	\$32.00	\$134,400.00
Stationary Workout Equipment	3	EA	\$6,000.00	\$18,000.00
New Benches (at miner's walk and playground)	7	EA	\$1,500.00	\$10,500.00
Other Bike Racks (does not include 5 bike racks at picnic area)	20	EA	\$250.00	\$5,000.00
Picnic Area & Plaza by New Restroom Improvements (includes new stabilized crusher fines and concrete plaza surfacing, 12 new tables, 5 bike racks, and 2 trash receptacles)	1	LS	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00
River Walk Picnic Bumpout Improvements (includes 8 areas with tables, crusher fines, boulder edging, and grading)	1	LS	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
Vendor Staging Area (includes 6 vendor power hookups and stabilized crusher fines pavement)	1	LS	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
New Fencing (5' ht.)	140	LF	\$135.00	\$18,900.00
<u>Hardscape</u>				
Paved Parking Lot (includes base course)	59,665	SF	\$6.50	\$387,822.50
Paved Overflow RV Parking Lot (includes base course)	21,385	SF	\$6.50	\$139,002.50
Concrete Walk Connections/Improvements (includes aggregate base course)	15,430	SF	\$14.00	\$216,020.00
Fellin Park Asphalt Loop Trail Resurface & New Route (includes aggregate base course)	13,775	SF	\$5.00	\$68,875.00
Uncompahgre River Walk Connections/Improvements (includes aggregate base course)	15,000	SF	\$16.00	\$240,000.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines (paths at softball field bleachers and at outdoor workout equipment by skate park)	1,260	SF	\$8.50	\$10,710.00
Soft Surface Trail Connection from Ouray Visitor Center on HWY 550 to Uncompahgre River Walk (4' wide)	640	SF	\$2.25	\$1,440.00
<u>Landscape</u>				
Miner's Heritage Walk Signage & Pedestrian Lighting (by HWY 550 and basketball court, includes 7 sign locations, 10 bollard lights, and 30 boulders)	1	LS	\$32,550.00	\$32,550.00
Planting (shrubs & perennials with cedar bark mulch at parking islands, miner's walk and by buildings)	39,110	SF	\$8.50	\$332,435.00
Succession Planting (trees, 2" caliper, to replace older trees)	102	EA	\$1,030.00	\$105,060.00
Repairs to Turf Irrigation System (in softball field)	89,700	SF	\$1.50	\$134,550.00
Planting (turf in reconfigured softball field outfield)	3,280	SF	\$5.00	\$16,400.00
Topsoil (6" in lawn space)	73	CY	\$60.00	\$4,373.33
Soil Amendment (1 CY/1000 SF in sod areas)	3	CY	\$150.00	\$495.00
Drip Irrigation at Landscape Areas	42,390	SF	\$3.00	\$127,170.00
Fine grading as needed	3,250	CY	\$38.00	\$123,500.00
<u>Track & Field</u>				
Storage Area (10'x12', convert old restroom building into storage; estimating \$250/SF)	120	SF	\$250.00	\$30,000.00
Long Jump	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
100 M Straightaway Asphalt Track Ext.	335	SF	\$5.00	\$1,675.00
Discuss/Shot Put Throw (Lump Sum)	1	LS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Adjust Softball Field Fencing and Bleachers (for discuss/shot put throw; replace with new fence)	1	LS	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
<u>Event Improvements</u>				
Removable Bollards (in pavement by new stage, new restroom, and asphalt loop path entrance)	30	EA	\$1,000.00	\$30,000.00
Event Staking (in grass)	1,000	LF	\$3.50	\$3,500.00
Banner Sign (12' ht. X 27' w., holds six 3'x8' banner signs)	1	LS	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00

Note 1: The design for a New Permanent Stage at Fellin Park is currently a separate process being completed by the City of Ouray with experienced stage design architect Jim Kehoe of Keo Studioworks. This process is in the schematic design phase currently and has had its first information-gathering public meeting and meetings with project stakeholders held on June 8th of 2023. The continued process will involve additional public meetings and design development through construction documents. The involvement of other experts such as structural and sound engineers is also currently underway. A schematic design estimate for the proposed permanent stage design is slated to be completed in the fall of 2023.

Note 2: New restrooms are under construction at Fellin Park and are slated for completion in 2024.

Add Options/Future Phases				
New Weight Room Building (assume 1 level building; 1,750 SF; estimating \$400/SF)	1,750	SF	\$400.00	\$700,000.00
Convert Upper Level of Bath House to Event Space	3,000	SF	\$50.00	\$150,000.00
Track Surfacing (change surfacing from asphalt to rubber athletic surface; assumes can use existing surfacing as a base for rubber surfacing)	14,105	SF	\$20.00	\$282,100.00
Demolition of Existing Bath House (approx. 7,120 SF)	1	LS	\$100,000	\$100,000
New Bath House	14,000	SF	\$500.00	\$7,000,000.00

MINER'S HERITAGE PARK

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
New Shipping Container Stage/Announcement Area (20'x35'); estimating \$300/SF	660	SF	\$300.00	\$198,000.00
New Storage Structure Screen (5' ht. corrugated weathering steel to match utilities screen by fish pond)	75	LF	\$185.00	\$13,875.00
Temporary Event Tent (60'x80')	1	LS	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
New Entry Sign	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Miner's Heritage Plaza Signage	10	EA	\$2,000.00	\$20,000.00
Power Hook-ups for Events (extend existing power/utility lines and add hook-ups)	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Removable Bollards	2	EA	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
New Fencing (5' ht.)	160	LF	\$135.00	\$21,600.00
New Crosswalk across HWY 550 to Perimeter Trailhead Parking Area	1	LS	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
Relocate Miners Equipment & Boulders (includes spike driving, horseshoes, drink bar, hand mucking, and some boulders and historical equipment at the edges of the plaza by the new proposed informational signs)	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Site Grading	362	CY	\$38.00	\$13,756.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines Pavement (for event area, includes base course)	16,780	SF	\$8.50	\$142,630.00
Concrete Pad Beneath Stage and Bar Areas (includes aggregate base course)	735	SF	\$16.00	\$11,760.00
Deciduous Trees, 2" caliper	16	EA	\$1,030.00	\$16,480.00
Drip Irrigation at Landscape Areas	2,075	SF	\$3.00	\$6,225.00
Planting (shrubs & perennials with cedar bark mulch)	2,075	SF	\$12.00	\$24,900.00

BOX CAÑON FALLS

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Visitor Center Parking Lot Paving Delineation -annual cost (stripe with paint 2x/summer; could also use fire hose or buried timbers if unplowed in winter)	1	LS	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Overflow Parking Lot Paving Delineation (stripe with paint 2x/summer; could use fire hose or buried timbers if unplowed in winter)	1	LS	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Self-Service Pay Kiosk with Online Payment Platform (\$50/month for payment system if different platform than City already has; place at connection to Perimeter Trail/High Bridge entrance)	1	LS	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Soft Surface Trail Connection from 3rd Ave. on West Side of River (4' wide)	2,264	SF	\$2.25	\$5,094.00
Crosswalk across HWY 550 at Box Cañon Road (CDOT coordination)	1	LS	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
Wayfinding Signage, Natural Use Area Etiquette, and Safety Sign Improvements	2	EA	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00

Add Options/Future Phases	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Pave Visitor Center Parking Lot with Asphalt (includes aggregate base course)	2,453	SF	\$6.50	\$12,265.00
Pave Overflow Parking Lot with Asphalt (includes aggregate base course)	6,040	SF	\$6.50	\$39,260.00
New Pedestrian Bridge	1,360	SF	\$400.00	\$544,000.00
Soft Surface Trail Connection to 3rd Ave. on East Side of River to new Pedestrian Bridge (4' wide)	3,248	SF	\$2.25	\$7,308.00
Soft Surface Trail Connection from Overflow Parking to New Pedestrian Bridge (4' wide)	800	SF	\$2.25	\$1,800.00
Soft Surface Trail Connection from New Pedestrian Bridge along Box Canyon Road to Visitor Center (4' wide)	3,200	SF	\$2.25	\$7,200.00
Concrete Stairs at Soft Surface Trail Connection from Overflow Parking to New Pedestrian Bridge (assumes 12 five foot wide steps with railing)	60	LF	\$125.00	\$7,500.00
Wayfinding Signage Improvements (if New Pedestrian Bridge and Trails are developed)	5	EA	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00

ICE PARK & VIA FERRATA

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Proposed New Viewing Areas (approx. 100 SF stabilized crusher fines pavement, grading, 2' ht wall edge, railing, & 1 bench/viewing area)	11	EA	\$6,725.00	\$73,975.00
Ice Park/Via Ferrata Parking Lot Paving Delineation - annual cost (on North side of existing vehicular bridge; stripe with paint 2x/summer; could use fire hose or buried timbers if unplowed in winter)	1	LS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Soft Surface Trail Connection from Ice Park/Via Ferrata Parking Lot on North side of existing vehicular bridge (4' wide)	1,840	SF	\$2.25	\$4,140.00
Via Ferrata Parking Lot Paving Delineation (on South side of existing vehicular bridge; stripe with paint 2x/summer; could use fire hose or buried timbers if unplowed in winter)	1	LS	\$800.00	\$800.00
Soft Surface Trail Connection from Ice Park/Via Ferrata Parking Lot on South side of existing vehicular bridge (4' wide)	4,860	SF	\$2.25	\$10,935.00
Wayfinding Signage Improvements	7	EA	\$2,000.00	\$14,000.00

Add Options/Future Phases				
Pave Ice Park/Via Ferrata Parking Lot with Asphalt (on North side of existing vehicular bridge; includes aggregate base course)	11,770	SF	\$6.50	\$76,505.00
Pave Ice Park/Via Ferrata Parking Lot with Asphalt (on South side of existing vehicular bridge; includes aggregate base course)	2,505	SF	\$6.50	\$16,282.50

ROTARY PARK

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Site Demo/Mobilization	1	LS	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
Partial Coverage Shelter of Ice Rink (similar to Victor, CO)	1	LS	\$855,000.00	\$855,000.00
Competition Climbing Tower	1	LS	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Climbing Boulder (natural)	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Smaller Climbing Boulders (natural)	17	EA	\$285.00	\$4,845.00
New Entry Sign	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
New Playground (estimating \$50/SF; would be a combination of engineered wood fiber surfacing and poured-in-place safety surfacing)	2,870	SF	\$50.00	\$143,500.00
Strider Track	420	LF	\$15.00	\$6,300.00
Berm Grading at Strider Track	500	CY	\$38.00	\$19,000.00
New Warming Hut (20'x32'); estimating \$400/SF	640	SF	\$400.00	\$256,000.00
Picnic Shelter (20'x32')	1	LS	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
Picnic Area Improvements (includes tables, footings, and stabilized crusher fines at picnic areas)	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Zamboni Storage Shelter (20'x28'); estimating \$350/SF	560	SF	\$350.00	\$196,000.00
Used Zamboni, includes transportation costs	1	LS	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Paved Parking Lot (includes base course)	24,320	SF	\$6.50	\$158,080.00
Concrete Pads at New Buildings (at picnic shelter, new warming hut, and zamboni storage building includes aggregate base course)	1,800	SF	\$16.00	\$28,800.00
Concrete Walk Connections/Improvements (includes aggregate base course)	14,970	SF	\$8.50	\$127,245.00
Concrete Pad at Ice Rink (includes aggregate base course)	6,950	SF	\$16.00	\$111,200.00
Pickleball Courts (4) to make ice rink multi-functional (includes extra cost to make concrete at pickleball courts post-tension slab concrete over base price above and to provide pickleball surfacing and striping; includes 4 portable net systems)	1	LS	\$275,000.00	\$275,000.00
Waterproof Liner over Pickleball Courts (to protect from ice rink in winter)	1	LS	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines Pavement (for bouldering demo and climbing tower competition areas, includes base course)	6,005	SF	\$8.50	\$51,042.50
Site Grading	2,000	CY	\$38.00	\$76,000.00
Topsoil (6" in lawn space)	250	CY	\$60.00	\$15,000.00
Soil Amendment (1 CY/1000 SF in sod areas)	14	CY	\$150.00	\$2,025.00
Lawn (turf)	13,255	SF	\$5.00	\$66,275.00
Revegetation (native areas, assume native seed and topsoil preparation)	57,215	SF	\$1.50	\$85,822.50
Deciduous Trees, 2" caliper	68	EA	\$1,030.00	\$70,040.00
Irrigation at Landscape Areas	70,470	SF	\$3.00	\$211,410.00

Add Options/Future Phases				
Full Coverage Shelter of Ice Rink (similar to Crested Butte, CO)	1	LS	\$1,800,000.00	\$1,800,000.00

CASCADE FALLS PARK (WATERFALL)

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Informational Signage	6	EA	\$2,000.00	\$12,000.00
New Benches	1	EA	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Parking Space Delineation -annual cost (stripe with paint 2x/summer; could also use fire hose or buried timbers if unplowed in winter)	1	LS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
New Boulders (to define parking edges; approx. 3' ht.; in addition to ex. boulders)	15	LF	\$285.00	\$4,275.00
Trail Improvements (define edges with boulders and cobbles)	1,020	LF	\$3.00	\$3,060.00
Revegetation (Native Area; assume 5' on each side of trail; assume native seed and topsoil preparation)	10,200	SF	\$1.50	\$15,300.00

Add Options/Future Phases	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Pave Parking Lot with Asphalt (includes aggregate base course)	14,085	SF	\$6.50	\$91,552.50

LEE'S SKI HILL

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
<u>Winter Use Improvements</u>				
Improvements/New Rope Tow & Mechanical Building (per current regulations; includes demolition of old rope tow and mechanical building)	1	LS	\$735,000.00	\$735,000.00
Bench at Rope Tow Entrance	1	EA	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Community Fire Pit Area improvements (larger, more permanent fire pit)	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Firewood Storage Area	1	LS	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Berm (grading)	320	CY	\$38.00	\$12,160.00
Grading (at event area)	180	CY	\$38.00	\$6,840.00
Collapsible Event Tents (10'x10')	4	EA	\$250.00	\$1,000.00
Picnic Tables	4	EA	\$2,000.00	\$8,000.00
Ski/Snowboard Racks	2	EA	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00
<u>Summer Use Improvements</u>				
Movie Screen (11' ht. by 20' wide viewing surface for up to 450 people) with Weathering Steel Mining Trestle Frame	1	LS	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines Pavement (for event area, includes base course)	4,770	SF	\$8.50	\$40,545.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines Pavement (at viewing areas, includes base course)	1,840	SF	\$8.50	\$15,640.00
Grading (New Viewing and Seating Areas)	136	CY	\$38.00	\$5,168.00
New Benches at Viewing Areas	6	EA	\$1,500.00	\$9,000.00
Grading (Mountain Bike Area)	287	CY	\$38.00	\$10,906.00
Mountain Bike Track (dirt)	3,870	SF	\$2.25	\$8,707.50
Boulders (at edge of bike trail; 2'-3' ht.)	20	EA	\$600.00	\$12,000.00

WOMAN'S CLUB MINI-PARK

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Site Demo of old Playground/Mobilization	3,100	SF	\$4.00	\$12,400.00
New Restroom (includes utilities hook-ups; estimating approx. \$500/SF for 170 SF 2-stall building)	1	LS	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
New Playground (estimating \$50/SF; would be a combination of engineered wood fiber surfacing and poured-in-place safety surfacing)	2,835	SF	\$50.00	\$141,750.00
Accessible Community Picnic Table	1	EA	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
New Picnic Tables	2	EA	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00
New Benches	4	EA	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00
New Trash Receptacle	1	EA	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Concrete Walk (includes aggregate base course)	2,760	SF	\$14.00	\$38,640.00
Concrete Playground Ramps	2	EA	\$420.00	\$840.00
Accessible Parking Space (concrete)	250	SF	\$16.00	\$4,000.00
Informational Signage	1	LS	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Deciduous Trees, 2" caliper	5	EA	\$1,030.00	\$5,150.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines Pavement (at picnicking area, includes base course)	905	SF	\$8.50	\$7,692.50
Shift Boulders (at 4th Ave. Parking)	7	EA	\$50.00	\$350.00
Irrigation at Landscape Areas	5,050	SF	\$3.00	\$15,150.00

DOG PARK

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Concrete Walk (includes aggregate base course)	2,540	SF	\$14.00	\$35,560.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines Pavement (includes base course)	7,258	SF	\$8.50	\$61,693.00
New Fencing (5' ht.)	525	LF	\$85.00	\$44,625.00
Gates at Entry Area	2	EA	\$645.00	\$1,290.00
New Picnic Tables	3	EA	\$2,000.00	\$6,000.00
New Benches	5	EA	\$1,500.00	\$7,500.00
New Trash Receptacles	2	LS	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Dog Agility Course Features (4 features for large dogs and 4 features for small dogs)	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Dog Pool (1 new, 1 existing)	1	EA	\$850.00	\$850.00
Water spigots (2)	2	EA	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Water Fountains (includes dog dish & people fountain)	2	EA	\$6,000.00	\$12,000.00
Utilities Improvements (water connection)	1	LS	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Deciduous Trees, 2" caliper	10	EA	\$1,030.00	\$10,300.00
Drip Irrigation at Trees	2,250	SF	\$3.00	\$6,750.00

VINEGAR HILL (SLEDDING HILL)

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
Snow Berms (extra time from snowplow/City equipment to create safety berms on North and West sides of 5th St.; assumes snow plowing)	1	LS	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Movable Benches (for Sled Hill viewing)	2	EA	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00

Add Options/Future Phases				
Hay Bales (as a separate option if snow berming is not an option)	115	EA	\$15.00	\$1,725.00

TRAILS

Item	Quantity	Unit	Cost/Unit	Total
New Crosswalk across HWY 550 to Perimeter Trailhead Parking Area at Fellin Parks and Ouray Hot Springs Entrance (Trail Priority 1)	1	LS	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
Improved Wayfinding Signage (5 for trail connections and parking locations at Fellin Park; Trail Priority 1)	5	EA	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00
Improved Wayfinding Signage (3 along Main St., 1 at 5th Ave., and 1 at 3rd Ave.; Trail Priority 2)	5	EA	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00
Concrete Walk Connection at 3rd Ave. (6'-0" wide, includes aggregate base course; Trail Priority 2)	6,720	SF	\$14.00	\$94,080.00
Improved Wayfinding Signage (1 at 7th Ave., 1 at Fellin Park maintenance bridge, and 1 at first pedestrian bridge on Uncompahgre River Walk; Trail Priority 3)	3	EA	\$2,000.00	\$6,000.00
New Crosswalk across HWY 550 to Perimeter Trailhead Parking Area at Fellin Parks and Ouray Hot Springs Entrance (Trail Priority 4)	1	LS	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
Concrete Walk Connection at Chautauqua Ln. to Rotary Park (6'-0" wide, includes aggregate base course; Trail Priority 4)	720	SF	\$14.00	\$10,080.00
Soft Surface Trail Improvement at 5th Ave. Perimeter Trail Entrance (4' wide; Trail Priority 5)	2,000	SF	\$2.25	\$4,500.00
Soft Surface Trail Improvement at Rock Climbing Area Section of Perimeter Trail by Fellin Park on east side of HWY 550 (4' wide; Trail Priority 6)	1,000	SF	\$2.25	\$2,250.00
Proposed New Viewing Area at Rock Climbing Area Section of Perimeter Trail by Fellin Park on east side of HWY 550 (approx. 100 SF stabilized crusher fines pavement, grading, 2' ht wall edge, railing, & 1 bench/viewing area; Trail Priority 6)	1	EA	\$6,725.00	\$6,725.00
Uncompahgre River Walk New 8' Wide Section with Stabilized Crusher Fines along River from Fellin Park to 3rd Ave./Box Cañon (includes aggregate base course; Trail Priority 7)	21,520	SF	\$8.50	\$182,920.00
Uncompahgre River Walk New 8' Wide Section with Stabilized Crusher Fines along River from Fellin Park to 3rd Ave./Box Cañon (includes aggregate base course; Trail Priority 7)	21,520	SF	\$8.50	\$182,920.00
Grading at New Section of Uncompahgre River Walk from Fellin Park to 3rd Ave./Box Cañon (Trail Priority 7)	1,600	CY	\$38.00	\$60,800.00
Land Easement Acquisition Estimate to Build New Section of New Section of Uncompahgre River Walk from Fellin Park to 3rd Ave./Box Cañon (Trail Priority 7)	2,690	LF	\$15.00	\$40,350.00
Improved Wayfinding and Trail Use Etiquette Signage at Uncompahgre River Walk (approximately every 1000 LF of trail; Trail Priority 8)	12	EA	\$2,000.00	\$24,000.00
Stabilized Crusher Fines Surfacing Areas for Amenities (ex. picnic tables, stationary workout equipment, etc.) along Uncompahgre River Walk (includes base course; Trail Priority 8)	20,000	SF	\$8.50	\$170,000.00
Annual Maintenance Fee - remove willows and maintain nordic trail at Uncompahgre River Walk (Trail Priority 8)	3	MI	\$2,000.00	\$5,000.00

Add Options/Future Phases				
Convert Existing Uncompahgre River Walk to 8' wide Concrete Trail (includes aggregate base course)	89,840	SF	\$16.00	\$1,437,440.00
Uncompahgre River Walk New Section built as 8' wide Concrete Trail along River from Fellin Park to 3rd Ave. (includes aggregate base course)	21,520	SF	\$16.00	\$344,320.00

APPENDIX B SURVEY RESULTS

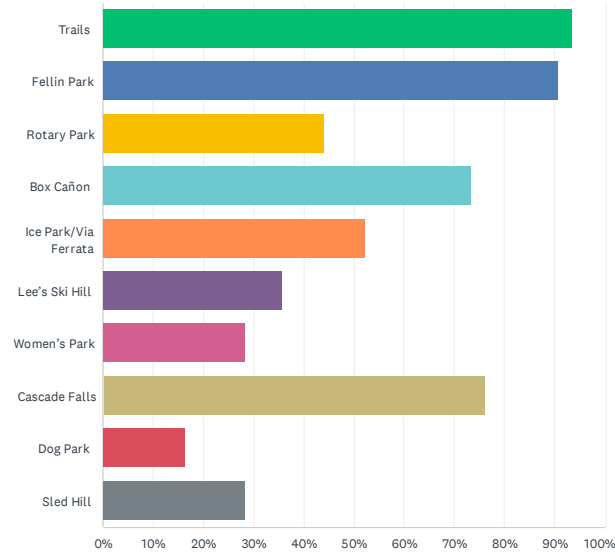


SURVEY RESULTS

A survey was open to public from June to September 2023. A total of 109 people participated.

Q1 What existing parks and recreation facilities do you use? Check all that apply.

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Trails	93.58%	102
Fellin Park	90.83%	99
Rotary Park	44.04%	48
Box Cañon	73.39%	80
Ice Park/Via Ferrata	52.29%	57
Lee's Ski Hill	35.78%	39
Women's Park	28.44%	31
Cascade Falls	76.15%	83
Dog Park	16.51%	18
Sled Hill	28.44%	31
Total Respondents: 109		

Q2 What do you treasure and want to preserve in Ouray's existing parks and recreation facilities?

Answered: 103 Skipped: 6

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The summer trail systems and the winter groomed ski trails are most important to me	8/24/2023 12:44 PM
2	The Ouray (city) dog park is a jewel. No such thing exists in Ridgway, nor in Silverton or Lake City to the best of my knowledge. Please keep it.	8/23/2023 10:11 PM
3	They are all facilities that are very approachable	8/23/2023 4:02 PM
4	proximity and variety of features	8/22/2023 2:56 PM
5	Fellin Park	8/21/2023 1:40 PM
6	Fellin park being continued to be used for organized sports and social activities	8/21/2023 1:34 PM
7	Fellin Park	8/21/2023 1:12 PM
8	I treasure the baseball field at Fellin Park and the Park.	8/18/2023 2:30 PM
9	Natural setting	8/18/2023 1:36 PM
10	Things for kids to do	8/17/2023 1:19 PM
11	Box Canyon	8/15/2023 6:25 PM
12	Lee's ski hill's free rope tow and the sledding hill in winter are charming and unique	8/14/2023 8:00 PM
13	affordability of Ice Park usage; trail maintenance	8/13/2023 2:05 PM
14	The River trail is used daily by locals and tourist. It need to be maintained by the City as the other parks are.	8/12/2023 7:12 PM
15	The availability of outdoor recreation here in Ouray.	8/12/2023 6:56 PM
16	Accessible by many abilities. Provide for a wide variety of experiences for various skills levels.	8/11/2023 1:26 PM
17	Quiet, not crowded, low key and our views are amazing.	8/11/2023 11:16 AM
18	Ouray was once a low-key community where locals worked, played, and raised families. Maintain this quality.	8/11/2023 8:56 AM
19	Easy access, a variety of activities, scenic beauty	8/11/2023 6:30 AM
20	Trail access. Quit allowing people to buy property, making it private and cutting off trail and historic site access like the new Horsethief Trail area and the American Girl (?) mine building out in Ironton.	8/10/2023 7:51 AM
21	The views surrounding the parks, that the parks are maintained and don't become run down.	8/7/2023 10:18 AM
22	I treasure the natural settings of the trail system in and around Ouray. I visit Cascade Falls 2 or 3 times per day and really enjoy the woods and natural setting around it. The Via Ferrata system is incredible. I use that weekly. Fellin Park is awesome for the town gatherings such as music in the park. The Woman's Park is a great family relaxing spot; I usually stop there for a short stop while walking around the town.	8/5/2023 6:15 PM
23	The easy ice climbing access with a large number of routes and local feel.	8/5/2023 4:53 PM
24	I treasure all of them being here in this one place. I think they are all assets in their own way. The Women's park is near and dear to me because I have watched my grandchildren play and enjoy the playground. I've had the best times in the Fellin Park. What a wonderful donation from the Fellin Family. All of our parks need preserved.	8/3/2023 2:26 PM

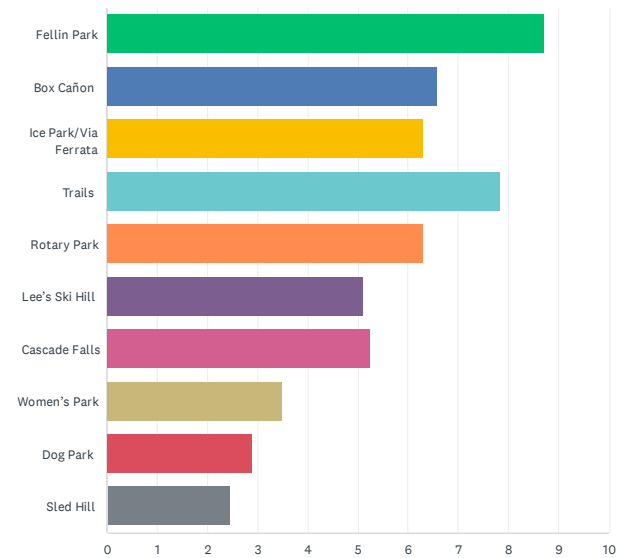
25	Access to the parks and open space.	8/3/2023 2:15 PM
26	Small town character but wide diversity in offerings... something for everyone. I value the trees and have concerns about the quantity of shade that has been removed (Rotary Park). I value their locations throughout town and the access to restrooms and porta-pottys for visitors that are kept clean. The Ice Park is an institution and sets the standard for all other parks in the town. It is what makes the town tick in the winter and an amazing resource and model for other communities.	8/3/2023 2:14 PM
27	The Ice Park as an economic driver for the City and free use facility for recreation.	8/3/2023 1:41 PM
28	Trail access	8/2/2023 7:20 AM
29	Native vegetation	8/1/2023 3:41 PM
30	I treasure that they exist and are maintAINED.	8/1/2023 11:34 AM
31	I adore the Woman's Club park for little ones. It has lots of shade!	8/1/2023 10:13 AM
32	All of them.	8/1/2023 9:39 AM
33	Miners Heritage Park	8/1/2023 9:27 AM
34	Dog park. Could be larger but ok as is. Also love all the area trails.	8/1/2023 9:25 AM
35	trying to prevent overcrowding. Also I like some are free to enjoy. that causes me to spend money at other places in town.	8/1/2023 7:06 AM
36	Outdoor feeling	7/31/2023 11:34 PM
37	The excellent trails and well-maintained playground equipment for kids	7/31/2023 11:00 PM
38	They are simple and not over-developed, clean and well-maintained	7/31/2023 9:43 AM
39	Native vegetation, wildlife habitat, clean and pristine natural environment	7/31/2023 8:11 PM
40	All	7/31/2023 5:22 PM
41	I enjoy the backdrop of the parks :). Nature is amazing.	7/31/2023 5:20 PM
42	The trees, wilderness areas, well maintained. I treasure that our parks, especially Box Canon and Cascade Falls still feel immersed in nature and not commercialized or surrounded by homes/buildings.	7/31/2023 10:12 AM
43	The ice rink, it used to be such a great place for youth hockey. It would be great to see money invested in a cover so the ice would be more consistent.	7/30/2023 8:16 AM
44	Its cleanliness, accessibility, and cost (free)	7/29/2023 4:08 PM
45	Clean and natural	7/29/2023 12:32 PM
46	Cascade Falls . . . Leave it in natural state with small parking lot and viewing shelter. No more "improvements", please=). Box Canyon . . . Leave it, improvements have been made.	7/29/2023 11:32 AM
47	Well maintained trails and parks. Trash free.	7/29/2023 11:23 AM
48	Their Connection to the surrounding forest and aesthetic integration into the valley.	7/29/2023 11:06 AM
49	baseball diamond, kids, play area, track, picnic areas	7/28/2023 11:27 PM
50	Ease of access, clean presentation, natural look, they are free	7/28/2023 10:21 PM
51	open space, free access to Box Canyon & the Ice Park/Via for locals	7/28/2023 8:36 PM
52	Everything that serves our local community. Our local kids. Of we don't keep our community the number one focus, there will be no tourism. Ouray is special place, I think we need to shift our focus a little bit and work on preserving this precious community. It's families and it's school and children.	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
53	hiking trails	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
54	green space, not crowded, community oriented	7/28/2023 4:34 PM

55	Events	7/28/2023 3:50 PM
56	Is the Riverwalk considered a park? It is used frequently and year round by both locals and visitors. I would like to see the city invest in making the bordering landscape look more maintained. The appearance and usability of the parks has greatly improved in the last few years. I would like them to look cared for and maintained	7/27/2023 6:18 PM
57	Appropriate access but also the nature aspect of things. Not TOO much infrastructure balanced with the need for safe use and protecting the resources from too many people tromping everywhere.	7/27/2023 12:34 PM
58	No crowds!	7/27/2023 10:10 AM
59	wildlife and plant life	7/27/2023 9:31 AM
60	No trail braiding (social trails/shortcuts)	7/27/2023 9:14 AM
61	The tow rope of Lee Ski Hill. The green lawn of Fellin Park. Gazebos of Box Canyon Park.	7/26/2023 11:12 PM
62	I treasure all of them because they all meet a need for outdoor recreation and make Ouray very special.	7/26/2023 8:59 PM
63	The trail network around town and the miners park.	7/26/2023 6:16 PM
64	Perimeter Trail	7/26/2023 4:41 PM
65	Fewer people	7/26/2023 1:08 PM
66	The park, pool and trails. But most of all the trees around town I hope the diseased trees don't spread.	7/26/2023 11:37 AM
67	Cleanliness	7/26/2023 10:45 AM
68	Trails, Fellin Park	7/26/2023 10:09 AM
69	All of the above	7/26/2023 10:06 AM
70	Access from my doorstep	7/26/2023 9:59 AM
71	I think they are all important for different uses. I would like to add the River trail as a park. It is used by so many Sumer and winter.	7/26/2023 8:15 AM
72	Free, public access	7/26/2023 7:09 AM
73	River trail	7/26/2023 3:40 AM
74	Cascade free and not improved	7/25/2023 10:21 PM
75	The rustic mountain feel. We don't need nice landscaping and perfectly striped paved parking lots. Keep any development congruent with our identity.	7/25/2023 10:13 PM
76	Cleanliness, safety and welcoming feel	7/25/2023 9:56 PM
77	Access to all	7/25/2023 9:48 PM
78	I believe Lee's Ski hill is a big asset to the community. So are Cascade and Box Canyon falls. Perimeter trail is wonderful.	7/25/2023 9:27 PM
79	I enjoy the simplicity of Cascade Falls. It's not over-developed.	7/25/2023 9:24 PM
80	The local vibe and funkiness.	7/25/2023 9:13 PM
81	Variety of activities and small town feel.	7/25/2023 9:12 PM
82	All of it	7/25/2023 9:05 PM
83	Stay to the trail, keep it wild, safe playgrounds	7/25/2023 7:23 PM
84	Perimeter Trail River Trail Pool & health club	7/25/2023 7:21 PM
85	Actual park space. Please refrain from building a bunch of unnecessary infrastructure.	7/25/2023 7:05 PM
86	Preserve trees whenever possible. Human powered trails (where no atvs, no ohvs, no jeeps, etc can go). Also, the rustic, natural appearance of many of these places (no concrete, no chain link fences, etc). Preserve the nature around us.	7/25/2023 6:56 PM

87	Uncrowded spaces, walkable spaces year round (like the path at Fellin), and carefully cared for trails/areas that are protected from over use.	7/25/2023 6:30 PM
88	Fell in park, via ferrata, perimeter trail	7/25/2023 6:22 PM
89	Access to nature and outdoor recreation	7/25/2023 6:07 PM
90	Fellin park, the River walk trail, ice park loop trail,	7/25/2023 6:03 PM
91	Having great open spaces that allow for a variety of activities.	7/25/2023 5:50 PM
92	Well maintained.	7/25/2023 5:46 PM
93	do not gentrify	7/25/2023 5:44 PM
94	Perimeter trail. Cascade falls. Box Canon. Fellin Park.	7/25/2023 5:37 PM
95	Focus on the natural beauty of ouray	7/25/2023 5:32 PM
96	Everything. Dont get rid of anything, but improvements are welcome	7/25/2023 5:24 PM
97	That people could use them and the city won't try to exclude certain people from the town. As read in the newspaper.	7/25/2023 5:15 PM
98	The pool. Why is it not on this list??	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
99	The ability to use them for free. Keeping the ice rink available, but like the idea of having it be a multi-use recreation structure. Don't make it too built up.	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
100	Parking and walking access to trails. Dogs on leash	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
101	Ice rink	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
102	free access	7/25/2023 5:00 PM
103	Beautiful open space, easy to access trails as well as more challenging trails, home-town atmosphere	7/25/2023 4:52 PM

Q3 What are your priorities for improvements to existing parks and recreation facilities? (Rank 1 to 10, by moving park name up or down to rank or clicking on arrow)

Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL	SC
Fellin Park	46.79%	23.85%	10.09%	7.34%	2.75%	5.50%	2.75%	0.00%	0.92%	0.00%	109	
Box Cañon	4.59%	18.35%	18.35%	13.76%	17.43%	10.09%	6.42%	4.59%	3.67%	2.75%	109	
Ice Park/Via Ferrata	5.50%	11.93%	15.60%	19.27%	18.35%	9.17%	7.34%	4.59%	1.83%	6.42%	109	
Trails	28.44%	19.27%	14.68%	14.68%	11.01%	2.75%	3.67%	3.67%	0.00%	1.83%	109	
Rotary Park	6.42%	10.09%	19.27%	12.84%	15.60%	13.76%	12.84%	3.67%	2.75%	2.75%	109	
Lee's Ski Hill	0.00%	8.26%	7.34%	10.09%	11.01%	18.35%	25.69%	9.17%	9.17%	0.92%	109	
Cascade Falls	1.83%	1.83%	7.34%	15.60%	15.60%	21.10%	19.27%	12.84%	2.75%	1.83%	109	
Women's Park	1.83%	3.67%	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%	4.59%	12.84%	37.61%	22.02%	9.17%	109	
Dog Park	3.67%	1.83%	2.75%	1.83%	3.67%	4.59%	4.59%	11.01%	40.37%	25.69%	109	
Sled Hill	0.92%	0.92%	1.83%	1.83%	1.83%	10.09%	4.59%	12.84%	16.51%	48.62%	109	

Q4 What improvements would you like to see made to the existing parks?

Answered: 98 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I like the parks fine, I don't have ideas for improvements!	8/24/2023 12:44 PM
2	I think all the parks are fantastic. Please just maintain them and, if necessary, make minor incremental improvements.	8/23/2023 10:11 PM
3	Fellin Park: Add a stage to give it more of an amphitheater feel.	8/23/2023 4:02 PM
4	improved facilities including restrooms, covered areas, and seating.	8/22/2023 2:56 PM
5	Stage handicap Playground	8/21/2023 1:40 PM
6	Improvements to the ice rink	8/21/2023 1:34 PM
7	The baseball/softball field at Fellin Park needs movable bases from 60-70-80-90' to work for different age groups (perhaps do infield grass since some outfield grass would have to be cut out to accommodate the different depths?)	8/21/2023 1:12 PM
8	I would like to see improvements to Rotary Park to make it a tourist attraction in the winter for ice skating.	8/18/2023 2:30 PM
9	.	8/18/2023 1:36 PM
10	I would like to see the ice rink at RP to be in better condition through the winter months.	8/17/2023 3:25 PM
11	Baseball field for high school players (regulation to CHSAA)	8/17/2023 1:19 PM
12	There needs to be an effort to remove people's junk cars from their property and the street. Also need to monitor people building houses so they actually finish their projects.	8/15/2023 6:25 PM
13	Pave the pool parking lot and the ice rink	8/14/2023 8:00 PM
14	grass/landscape maintenance in Dog Park; clear signage on hiking trails (this seems to be hit and miss), pavilion/stage in Fellin Park	8/13/2023 2:05 PM
15	More work on River trail. New gravel.	8/12/2023 7:12 PM
16	Number one is covering ice rink. More restrooms available at others.	8/12/2023 6:56 PM
17	Update equipment as needed for safety and plans to keep them clean and in good order.	8/11/2023 1:26 PM
18	General maintenance and upkeep. Not dependent on volunteers to weed etc. Example the river walk gets very over grown. Or there's trash in the river.	8/11/2023 11:16 AM
19	Restrooms at woman's park. Picnic area at Cascade Falls. Improve trail at Cascade to improve revegetation. Fund more staff to take better care of existing parks	8/11/2023 8:56 AM
20	Gender neutral/family bathrooms, some shade structures, clear parking especially along 550	8/11/2023 6:30 AM
21	A permanent stage for the concerts in the park, like in Ridgway. Also some kind of trash receptacles around town for the visiting public to get rid of their garbage. Also the trail coming out from behind the townhomes onto the street just north of the visitor center needs to be widened to allow easier access for bicyclists and hikers.	8/10/2023 7:51 AM
22	The stage for Fellin, make the Highgraders area useful year-round, covered rink for Rotary, upgrade Rotary so it is used by more people, connect all of the parks by trails.	8/7/2023 10:18 AM
23	1. Improve the perimeter trail signage; specifically around the Baby Bathtub/Portland Mine Rd area. 2. Construct a permanent stage at Fellin Park.	8/5/2023 6:15 PM
24	Not sure.	8/5/2023 4:53 PM
25	A stage and new bathrooms in the Fellin park, a bathroom on the perimeter trail. Paved	8/3/2023 2:26 PM

	riverwalk trail. The ice rink to get some sun shades. A new skate park is really needed.	
26	More bathrooms	8/3/2023 2:15 PM
27	Signage and kiosks that connect them all together and have some information about the history of each park, funding for each park, leave no trace and respect for the park and quality restroom facilities for all the increased visitation!	8/3/2023 2:14 PM
28	More parking, shuttles, snow plowing for access	8/3/2023 1:41 PM
29	Boot brushes to keep from spreading invasive plant seeds	8/1/2023 3:41 PM
30	TIDY THEM UP. NEW FENCING AND BENCHES WHERE NEEDED. FILL IN PUDDLES/POTHOLES. FRESHEN PAINT. PRUNE TREES. REPLACE DAMAGED INFORMATION SIGNS ON RIVER WALK	8/1/2023 11:34 AM
31	Additional equipment, better restrooms	8/1/2023 10:13 AM
32	Maintenance	8/1/2023 9:39 AM
33	Miners heritage park upgraded	8/1/2023 9:27 AM
34	Keep dog park. Do not subdivide. If we need a small dog section, we need a bigger park. This one is barely large enough as is.	8/1/2023 9:25 AM
35	making sure there is always a means for EMS/fire to get to them. At times they cannot promptly respond due to over crowded areas from parking mainly	8/1/2023 7:06 AM
36	Improved bathroom facilities at Felin Park. Newer equipment at Women's park. Perhaps some bathrooms for the ski hill and Women's park.	7/31/2023 11:00 PM
37	The trail up to Cascade falls could be improved with some steps made of railroad ties in some of the steeper, slippery areas. An extra trash can on the South East end of Fellin Park would be nice.	7/31/2023 9:43 PM
38	I would like to see the Perimeter Trail completely owned by the City to allow for more flexible and relevant management. Increase number of public restrooms at each park.	7/31/2023 8:11 PM
39	Policing for trash. I pick up stuff when I go to these places.	7/31/2023 5:22 PM
40	New playground equipment for multiple age groups - check out what the Town of Naturita has done with their park - it's amazing and most of it was accomplished through grants! Improved skate park. Rotary Park has lots of potential - tennis courts? Additional restroom facilities are needed and the ones that exist are need of serious upgrades.	7/31/2023 5:20 PM
41	Better maintenance of Cascade Falls restrooms.	7/31/2023 10:12 AM
42	Just preserve and improve the facilities we have. Ice skating rink and ski hill.	7/30/2023 8:16 AM
43	No sure really. I kind of like everything as it is. Maybe more bathrooms at the Ice Park/Via Ferrata (like what's at Rotary Park now).	7/29/2023 4:08 PM
44	Fellin Park - add multi-purpose sound stage and improve restroom facilities. Riverwalk trail is super hot in the summer months - intentional shade trees. Rotary park is run down and awkward - Cover the ice rink and add lighting to improve quality of winter ice and encourage use.	7/29/2023 11:32 AM
45	Bike trail to Ridgway (and eventually to Montrose. Hiking trail South toward Ironton and toward Yankee Boy Basin. Would be great to separate hikers from the vehicles. Also, adding an Outdoor fitness area to the Miner Competition area of Fellin Park would be great. Something similar to Rogue Equipment.	7/29/2023 11:23 AM
46	Relocation/Reallocation of the current Miner's Park facility. City ownership of all Perimeter Trail asset lands. Linking Trail Between Box Canyon/Fellin/Rotary parks.	7/29/2023 11:06 AM
47	Bathrooms in Fellin, Park, fixing gazebo, pickle ball court, basketball court.	7/28/2023 11:27 PM
48	Update the equipment at women's park, Expand play equipment at Rotary to relieve the overcrowding at Fellin park, Expand play equipment at Fellin park	7/28/2023 10:21 PM
49	better parking options & access to the via ferrata	7/28/2023 8:36 PM

50	Grounds, landscaping, updated kids toys (women's park).	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
51	none	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
52	historical information plaques, shaded adult seating area at Fellin playground and Woman's Park, benches along Riverwalk trail to sit and rest, under shade	7/28/2023 4:34 PM
53	Maintenance	7/28/2023 3:50 PM
54	Landscaping and aesthetic appeal improved. The ice park piping looks pretty cheesy. The riverwalk needs more appeal and maintenance. The sled hill can still be quite treacherous with the dropoff and other obstacles	7/27/2023 6:18 PM
55	Honestly I'm pretty happy with the existing parks. The bathrooms at Rotary, Cascade, and Fellin park take care of the big things. Perhaps a band shell/stage of some sort in Fellin Park, and maybe some better parking at Cascade? It's a tough spot!	7/27/2023 12:34 PM
56	More ice in the ice park	7/27/2023 10:10 AM
57	Rotary Park as the first thing visitors see when they enter Ouray needs a facelift ASAP. Landscaping and more cohesive design would be nice as opposed to a hodge podge of donated old stuff. The sign needs to be updated.	7/26/2023 11:12 PM
58	Would like some simple yet nice landscaping at the base and top of the ski hill to dress it up a bit during the summer months	7/26/2023 8:59 PM
59	Fix existing facilities, more/better public restrooms. Cover the ice rink and find a solution to make it more viable during the winter.	7/26/2023 6:16 PM
60	A resident pass or discount to enter Box Canon when with paying visitors	7/26/2023 4:41 PM
61	1. River access at Fellin Park 2. Better ski lift / one that doesn't break down that easy :) In sketch/ drawing, I see a road and some benches, I recommend not making the ski area more diminutive, but using the parking area for benches. It's a nice way to organize parking, people tall gate already so why not put benches up at the parking level on the edge? Or make sitting steps up to the parking?	7/26/2023 12:14 PM
62	More permanent bathroom stalls.	7/26/2023 11:37 AM
63	updates	7/26/2023 10:45 AM
64	Permanent stage at Fellin Park	7/26/2023 10:09 AM
65	Pickleball or Tennis Courts in Rotary Park Upgrade bathroom facilities in Fellin Park Better trail signage for Perimeter Trail (tourists always complain about losing the trail or confusing signage)	7/26/2023 10:06 AM
66	For the trail system Established trailheads, parking, signage. Box canyon park needs love. Picnic areas are grim and there is no vista point for photos of the amphitheater. Ice park could use a concession truck, warming hut and bathroom. Proper fencing is needed along the top of the gorge to prevent falling into the canyon	7/26/2023 9:59 AM
67	Parking, signage for info stay the trail etc, no climbing, make designated trails, restoration of damaged areas. This is for all parks.	7/26/2023 8:15 AM
68	More organized parking	7/26/2023 7:09 AM
69	Marked crosswalks across 550 at 1) Hot Springs to Perimeter Trail, 2) Loretta Court to River Trail, 3) Old Horsethief trailhead to River Trail	7/26/2023 3:40 AM
70	Fix the bathrooms and picnic tables. Fix the parking at Fellin.	7/25/2023 10:21 PM
71	Stage at Fellin!!!	7/25/2023 10:13 PM
72	Sognage	7/25/2023 9:56 PM
73	Good	7/25/2023 9:48 PM
74	Please add pickle ball to one of the parks. It is a growing sport for people of all ages. I am just learning and would definitely use it. It would be nice to check out or rent basketballs, volleyballs or frisbees at the pool to use in Fellin Park.	7/25/2023 9:27 PM

75	I'd really like to see the river trail re-vamped. It is my usual running route. Signs are old and faded. Some new landscaping would be wonderful, too. I'd love to see Ski Hill amped up a bit. Mostly though, I'm dying for an outdoor stage in Fellin Park!	7/25/2023 9:24 PM
76	I want to see OIPI manage the Ice Park forever (they are that good). We desperately need a bathroom near the entrance to the Via Feratta. Rotary park needs more sprucing up- more trees for future shade. Fellin Park needs LESS fertilizer.	7/25/2023 9:13 PM
77	Permanent Band Shell at Fellin Park Shelter and picnic tables at the bottom of Lee's Hill	7/25/2023 9:12 PM
78	People cleaning up after dogs	7/25/2023 9:05 PM
79	A permanent stage Band stand area at Fellin Park,Fence in women's club park,shaded play area at Rotary Park	7/25/2023 8:09 PM
80	Make the playgrounds blend in more with natural surroundings. More shade structures at playgrounds. Improve landscaping, more trash and recycling receptacles, better lighting at night to keep it safe	7/25/2023 7:23 PM
81	Maintenance of facilities	7/25/2023 7:21 PM
82	Better upkeep of our existing facilities. If you can't take care of what's already there, you don't need new things to take care of.	7/25/2023 7:05 PM
83	Connect trail systems better (like new section of perimeter trail). Better access to river walk from hot springs. Replace chain link fences with something more aesthetically pleasing when possible. Making our city a drone free zone (with permitted exceptions)	7/25/2023 6:56 PM
84	Fellin park needs age specific expanded playgrounds	7/25/2023 6:22 PM
85	Better equipment, more trash receptacles,	7/25/2023 6:07 PM
86	Better parking lot for Fellin Park and consistent plowing of snow off the walking track in winter	7/25/2023 6:03 PM
87	Better signage on perimeter trail, less dog poop bags.	7/25/2023 5:50 PM
88	Permanent stage pavilion at Fellin	7/25/2023 5:46 PM
89	none	7/25/2023 5:44 PM
90	Pickleball courts. Expand playground. More signage/more defined trails.	7/25/2023 5:37 PM
91	Offer more for young families with children Offer more for off-road users Welcome e-bikes Less rules and welcoming atmosphere	7/25/2023 5:32 PM
92	Better restroom facilities and walking path or sidewalk to via ferrata/icepark from town. We live on CR361 and it is difficult to drive on in summer without worrying about pedestrians. Fellin park could use a face-lift and better restroom facility. Ski hill hours and usability could be improved. We've never used dog park and didn't know one existed. We would use it if some was adequate for large dogs to run around. Trail system is great the way it is and hope that maintaining then stays a priority.	7/25/2023 5:24 PM
93	More attractions/space for groups. An Amish group staying at the Matterhorn actually wanted to go there for a lunch but didn't have any options that would actually work for them.	7/25/2023 5:15 PM
94	Increase temps at pool. Streamline entry procedures. Add pickleball courts!!!!	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
95	For the parking lot in the Hot Springs Pool/ Visitor Center is making the round-about big enough for buses/ large motorhomes to circle through. We get many who accidentally turn in and need an easy out. Also, for future planning, it would be nice to have a parking spot for a bus tour bus to park for people to go to the pool or visitor center as part of their stops. Or even if we got a bustang or telluride express bus for a pick up/ drop off location. Have the dog park be more exciting or some more features. Many people bring their dogs to town.	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
96	Better parking. Dogs on leash	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
97	The feedback I get from most customers is restrooms.	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
98	better playground equipment (think Naturita)	7/25/2023 5:00 PM

Q5 Are there other parks and recreation facilities or programs that are not offered locally that you would like to see offered by the City?

Answered: 87 Skipped: 22

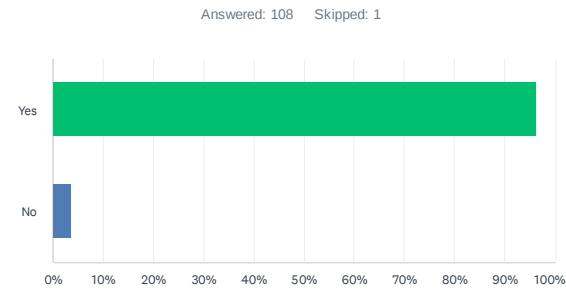
#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More groomed XC ski trails besides only the river trail (amphitheater rd and campground seem like a missed opportunity), and some kind of education/enforcement that walkers should walk on the edge of the trail. It's a real shame so many folks put time and money into grooming the river trail only for folks to ruin it immediately, especially when we only have two total miles of groomed trails in/near town.	8/24/2023 12:44 PM
2	No.	8/23/2023 10:11 PM
3	A. There's got to be something that can be done to enhance the aesthetics of the river corridor where the public has access. The Dog Park is one such location. B. Thinking big: The parking lot for the Hot Springs takes up a lot of space in a box canyon where space is at a premium. Cities with substantive parking needs and with with limited space, have placed parking underground or at grade level, with an elevated area for public amenities above the parking area. Think the High Line in NYC or the 606 in Chicago, although other smaller cities and towns have successfully executed "elevated" parks above space used for parking. Clearance between grade level and underside of the "park support structure" could be set appropriately so emergency vehicles can still access the Hot Springs. I'm a designer of parking structures and I'm frequently tasked with providing amenity space above the space needed for parking vehicles.	8/23/2023 4:02 PM
4	n/a	8/22/2023 2:56 PM
5	No	8/21/2023 1:40 PM
6	No	8/21/2023 1:34 PM
7	No	8/18/2023 2:30 PM
8	N/A	8/18/2023 1:36 PM
9	Tennis / Pickleball courts in ouray.	8/17/2023 3:25 PM
10	Regulation baseball field, dugouts, etc.	8/17/2023 1:19 PM
11	Pickleball court.	8/15/2023 6:25 PM
12	No	8/14/2023 8:00 PM
13	no	8/13/2023 2:05 PM
14	NA	8/12/2023 7:12 PM
15	no	8/12/2023 6:56 PM
16	No.	8/11/2023 1:26 PM
17	Curling could be fun for the community during the winter.	8/11/2023 11:16 AM
18	More bike racks in town. Splash pad at the hot springs. Shuttle system to reduce parking congestion. Trail along river through town	8/11/2023 8:56 AM
19	No	8/11/2023 6:30 AM
20	Better bike trails and a disc golf course.	8/10/2023 7:51 AM
21	Not that I can think of.	8/7/2023 10:18 AM
22	N/A	8/5/2023 6:15 PM
23	Not sure.	8/5/2023 4:53 PM

24	Water aerobics, water volleyball, synchronized swimming, just kidding on the synchronized swimming.	8/3/2023 2:26 PM
25	No	8/3/2023 2:15 PM
26	Bouldering boulder at the Rotary Park	8/3/2023 2:14 PM
27	No	8/3/2023 1:41 PM
28	No	8/1/2023 3:41 PM
29	I FRANKLY LOVE AND AM PROUD OF THE NUMBER AND VARIETY OF PARKS OUR CITY HAS AND MAINTAINS.	8/1/2023 11:34 AM
30	NA	8/1/2023 10:13 AM
31	No	8/1/2023 9:39 AM
32	No	8/1/2023 9:27 AM
33	Swimming for dogs.	8/1/2023 9:25 AM
34	Not at this time	7/31/2023 9:43 PM
35	I would love to see play structures and a splash pool specifically for toddlers.	7/31/2023 8:11 PM
36	The city does pretty well to oversee what we have. I know there are limited resources. The biggest improvement could be the exercise room and, of course, HEATING THE POOL!	7/31/2023 5:22 PM
37	I think we have a great offering	7/30/2023 8:16 AM
38	Not that I can think of at this time.	7/29/2023 4:08 PM
39	Pickleball court would be nice . . . Perhaps at the Rotary Park, which is little used outside of winter.	7/29/2023 11:32 AM
40	Outdoor Fitness area for the Mining competition area of Fellin park. The workout equipment on the river trail is great. Maybe also design a future riverfront trail/park through town?	7/29/2023 11:23 AM
41	Redevelopment of the Uncompahgre River Between 7th Ave and Chataqua Crt into a wave/kayak facility	7/29/2023 11:06 AM
42	Pickle ball, soccer, tennis.	7/28/2023 11:27 PM
43	cant think of any	7/28/2023 10:21 PM
44	1. Lee's Ski Hill: more hours of operation and accurate, up-to-date online posting of open/closed status 2. Hot Springs: maybe not relevant to this survey, but earlier lap swim times for members would be much appreciated. (Not all of us are retired or on vacation, which means we usually do our exercise first thing in the morning.) Also, the clubhouse is disgusting and depressing. I would like to see that be rebuilt/remodeled before spending money on parks that are already quite nice. 3. Ice Park: a snack shack of some sort would be welcome (i.e. breakfast burritos, coffee, tea, sandwiches, etc.)	7/28/2023 8:36 PM
45	no	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
46	outdoor exercise programs on grass in parks	7/28/2023 4:34 PM
47	No	7/28/2023 3:50 PM
48	I would like to see more attention given to the parks that are used by locals year round rather than so much emphasis on parks that are mainly to serve visitors.	7/27/2023 6:18 PM
49	Thinking broadly, it might be fun to create a whitewater park in the uncompahgre if there is a suitable location.	7/27/2023 12:34 PM
50	No	7/27/2023 10:10 AM
51	Year around artificial climbing structure. Bike lanes and a good network of bike trail that cover entire City would be great (Rotary Park to the Box Canyon).	7/26/2023 11:12 PM
52	Bike park/pump track, redo the skate park, fix the ice rink!	7/26/2023 6:16 PM

53	Chess club. Pickleball. Exercise classes. Square dancing	7/26/2023 4:41 PM
54	na	7/26/2023 12:14 PM
55	Christian concerts	7/26/2023 11:37 AM
56	skate park	7/26/2023 10:45 AM
57	no	7/26/2023 10:09 AM
58	Pickleball/Tennis courts	7/26/2023 10:06 AM
59	Bike path to Ridgway and Mountain biking	7/26/2023 9:59 AM
60	I love the variety of spaces and programs we have	7/26/2023 7:09 AM
61	Seasonal activity programs	7/26/2023 3:40 AM
62	Make the ice rink a covered permanent feature that could be used for parties in the summer.	7/25/2023 10:21 PM
63	Can't think of any	7/25/2023 10:13 PM
64	Mtn biking	7/25/2023 9:56 PM
65	No	7/25/2023 9:48 PM
66	Please add Pickleball somewhere. Would love to see equipment rentals for use at Fellin Park. Volleyballs, basketballs, frisbees, etc.	7/25/2023 9:27 PM
67	A stage in Fellin Park!	7/25/2023 9:24 PM
68	A series of rock barriers in the river to create surfable waves. A take out by the sewage treatment facility (for kayaks and surfers). We have a lovely river that is ignored.	7/25/2023 9:13 PM
69	Improved access to the river walk in the winter	7/25/2023 9:05 PM
70	A splash pad for the kiddos!!!!	7/25/2023 7:23 PM
71	Pickle ball	7/25/2023 7:21 PM
72	Indoor skating rink, tennis courts, skate park.	7/25/2023 7:05 PM
73	The hot springs should be free for educators / school employees like it is for city employees.	7/25/2023 6:56 PM
74	The gym facility at the pool is horrific and outdated. That needs to be updated and made more usable for residents.	7/25/2023 6:30 PM
75	Dedicated bike path the Ridgway. More public bathrooms in town.	7/25/2023 6:22 PM
76	No	7/25/2023 6:07 PM
77	Although it is not a park, I would like to see the west end of 6th ave better organized and maintained. Lots of folks come down there and park/ picnic. Could be a good spot for a small picnic structure?	7/25/2023 5:46 PM
78	no	7/25/2023 5:44 PM
79	Pickleball	7/25/2023 5:37 PM
80	More opportunity for creative ideas from businesses	7/25/2023 5:32 PM
81	Lit or flashing crosswalks through town and sidewalk up to Via Ferrara and Box canyon would enhance safety	7/25/2023 5:24 PM
82	Nobody would want to go to rotary park, as customers are coming here to be closer to town and the hot springs. Not once have we heard of a customer say they want to go somewhere past the hot springs.	7/25/2023 5:15 PM
83	Pickleball	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
84	It looked like it in the illustration for Lee's Ski Hill, but that could be multipurpose for the seasons. In the spring/ summer/ fall having it be a mtn bike route. Having a dump station, water fill, big garbage/ recycle spot for travelers/ campers alike in town.	7/25/2023 5:14 PM

85	no	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
86	Ice rink maintenance through the winter...especially on the weekends when it is actually busy.	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
87	Kids Fishing Pond	7/25/2023 5:00 PM

Q6 Have you or your family used the existing trails close to Ouray?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	96.30% 104
No	3.70% 4
TOTAL	108

Q7 Do you have any suggestions for better connections from Main Street, Ouray to these trails?

Answered: 95 Skipped: 14

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	No I think the trails already manage this accessibility/connections beautifully!	8/24/2023 12:44 PM
2	Zip Line!	8/23/2023 10:11 PM
3	Improve way finding from Main Street to perimeter trail access points	8/23/2023 4:02 PM
4	There needs to be a better connection from the box canyon "down" road to the river trail to complete a more flat connection through town without having to walk on main street or oak street	8/22/2023 2:56 PM
5	No	8/21/2023 1:40 PM
6	No	8/21/2023 1:34 PM
7	I would like to see a crosswalk pit in by the visitor's center to get to the perimeter trail. It's really dangerous and no one stops.	8/18/2023 2:30 PM
8	.	8/18/2023 1:36 PM
9	No, pretty easy to find and get to, ouray isn't that big!	8/17/2023 1:19 PM
10	No	8/14/2023 8:00 PM
11	I think Main St. connections are clear and plentiful	8/13/2023 2:05 PM
12	No	8/12/2023 7:12 PM
13	signage.	8/12/2023 6:56 PM
14	Appropriate signage for directions, especially better signage directing visitors to Box Canon via Main Street/HWY 550 so they don't end up on Pinecrest.	8/11/2023 1:26 PM
15	Perhaps painting or making a barrier from the river walk to the visitors center. How the river walk dumps you onto the highway is a little abrupt. Also, making stairs from the north east corner of the hot springs so people don't slip down the incline. It's the most direct route from the highway down to the fish pond. There's always a pile of gravel there in the summer because it's so steep.	8/11/2023 11:16 AM
16	Develop river corridor trail that is ADA compliant with connections to other trails, eliminate sidewalk dining - this contests the sidewalks and makes it difficult for families and people w vision and physical disabilities to use sidewalks.	8/11/2023 8:56 AM
17	No	8/11/2023 6:30 AM
18	An official street crossing at the Hot Springs entrance and at the Rotary park to connect to the River walk trail. You also need a better/bigger sign showing River Walk trail access just North of the Hot Springs inn.	8/10/2023 7:51 AM
19	I'm not sure exactly what it is but there needs to be some sort of "parks promenade" feel that lets you know the avenue streets lead to a park, not sure if that is wider and better-maintained sidewalks with art/sculpture/benches/ballards. Improve the experience from the Visitors Center to the riverwalk	8/7/2023 10:18 AM
20	1. signage from Main St leading people to the various trail heads. 2. signage on the perimeter trail that overtly directs people to town so that they are better aware of where the "outs" are off of the trail.	8/5/2023 6:15 PM
21	Not sure.	8/5/2023 4:53 PM

22	Nope	8/3/2023 2:26 PM
23	Signage	8/3/2023 2:15 PM
24	Signage with maps. QR codes that connect to geo-referenced map so people know where they are.	8/3/2023 2:14 PM
25	No	8/3/2023 1:41 PM
26	SIGNAGE	8/1/2023 11:34 AM
27	A crosswalk between the pool and the primary perimeter trail entry	8/1/2023 10:13 AM
28	No	8/1/2023 9:39 AM
29	Enough with trails. Worry about existing park upgrades	8/1/2023 9:27 AM
30	Signage has been improved but larger signs with arrows for Cascade Park, dog park, and perimeter trail.	8/1/2023 9:25 AM
31	shuttles. if possible that would allow even a golf cart to help minimize the traffic congestion.	8/1/2023 7:06 AM
32	Complete the sidewalk on 8th avenue so it goes from main street to the parking lot so people don't have to walk in the street	7/31/2023 11:00 PM
33	Improved signage to access points	7/31/2023 9:43 PM
34	The section of the PT that is on Pinecrest should be rerouted to make that section as beautiful as the rest of the trail.	7/31/2023 8:11 PM
35	How could there be better connections?	7/31/2023 5:22 PM
36	No	7/31/2023 10:12 AM
37	Better signage for people to walk to them.	7/30/2023 8:16 AM
38	No	7/29/2023 4:08 PM
39	Signage	7/29/2023 12:32 PM
40	The perimeter trail crossing 550 by the pool needs a crosswalk painted and better signage.	7/29/2023 11:23 AM
41	Wayfinding should help solve this by more clearly marking the several access points. Street scape coloration (much like bike lane coloration in Denver/Boulder) could be used with Main St's Program to direct people to access points on the Perimeter Trail.	7/29/2023 11:06 AM
42	Walkways and bike path along the river. Pedestrian bridges across the river.	7/28/2023 11:27 PM
43	no	7/28/2023 10:21 PM
44	I wish there were parking spaces near the new trailhead(s) on Oak St. Can't there be a couple designated public parking spaces by the maintenance garage somewhere?	7/28/2023 8:36 PM
45	I believe those are a current work in progress.	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
46	no	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
47	Too many people on trails now so don't provide transportation. Signs at trailheads about being prepared with water, proper equipment, leave no trace rules.	7/28/2023 4:34 PM
48	No	7/28/2023 3:50 PM
49	A shuttle service	7/27/2023 6:18 PM
50	No. I think they are pretty easy to find and get to.	7/27/2023 12:34 PM
51	No	7/27/2023 10:10 AM
52	A pedestrian crosswalk from Visitor Center to Perimeter Trail is badly needed.	7/26/2023 11:12 PM
53	Better signage is necessary especially for the Perimeter Trail	7/26/2023 8:59 PM
54	Better maps; pick one of the existing maps in town (maybe discovery map of the San Juan's?) and work to get trailhead directions incorporated.	7/26/2023 6:16 PM

55	Would like to see a route back to town from the Baby Bathtubs parking lot	7/26/2023 4:41 PM
56	no	7/26/2023 1:08 PM
57	Ouray Hiking app. with walking navigation to the trails.	7/26/2023 12:14 PM
58	No	7/26/2023 11:37 AM
59	no	7/26/2023 10:45 AM
60	no	7/26/2023 10:09 AM
61	No	7/26/2023 10:06 AM
62	More communication on how to exit the trail and head into town. The perimeter trail is unique in that you can get a burger and a beer in town half way through.	7/26/2023 9:59 AM
63	Uniformed signage	7/26/2023 8:15 AM
64	Better signage. The only sign I recall is for Cascade Falls, barely observable, and not the Perimeter Trail	7/26/2023 7:09 AM
65	Build paths on top of the flumes for Potland and Cascade creeks. Mark crosswalks across 550 at existing trails especially at the Hot Springs entrance and at the River Trail access points. Insist that future development along the River, the flumes, and so on actively enhance existing and planned trail corridors. Stop using cheap, coarse gravel on the River Trail. Put a multiuse path on the existing right of way on 2nd Street between Fellin Park and Third Avenue. Insist that property owners on Third Ave provide for sidewalks. Build an official trail on city land from the junction of 3rd ave and Box Canyon road to the junction of 550 and Camp Bird Road (portions already exist and only need slight improvement and signage, the upper part needs to be coordinated with the highway department or else hung off the side of the gorge).	7/26/2023 3:40 AM
66	No	7/25/2023 10:21 PM
67	Better sinage from the end of the Perimeter directing people on Oak St past 4J. I see so many confused visitors looking at their phones trying to figure out where the trail went. Also, update the perimeter trail signage to have a "you are here" marker.	7/25/2023 10:13 PM
68	Access to Ridgeway	7/25/2023 9:56 PM
69	Signage	7/25/2023 9:48 PM
70	No. I think you have done a good job connecting trails to town.	7/25/2023 9:27 PM
71	The best would be adding another bridge to the river walk trail - to get from where it ends on the east side of the river near the condos by the pool so that you can cross over to the west side without having to go through the pool area. This would self-contain the river walk trail a bit better.	7/25/2023 9:24 PM
72	Get all that rock out of the trailhead parking by the pool. Add a pedestrian crosswalk there. Create a nicer perimeter trail parking area by the city shop.	7/25/2023 9:13 PM
73	Better signage	7/25/2023 9:12 PM
74	Crosswalk from visitor center to perimeter across HWY	7/25/2023 9:05 PM
75	Signs with maps	7/25/2023 8:30 PM
76	Nope	7/25/2023 8:09 PM
77	Better signage on 5th Ave	7/25/2023 7:23 PM
78	Better signage	7/25/2023 7:21 PM
79	I'd prefer to keep the riff raff off the trails by leaving them the way they are. Inviting more people onto the trails just reduces how enjoyable they are and potentially strains resources when people are injured or need rescue. Aside from the Perimeter Trail and Cascade Falls, hiking trails should not be Parks & Rec's concern. Focus on actual parks within the city.	7/25/2023 7:05 PM
80	No. Increased access from main street will only encourage more tourists to put themselves into situations they are not ready for. The trials are starting to get "over loved" as it is.	7/25/2023 6:56 PM

81	Need a crosswalk from visitors center to perimeter trail trailhead across 550	7/25/2023 6:22 PM
82	Maybe an in-town info kiosk	7/25/2023 6:07 PM
83	Better signage, the current perimeter trail maps are difficult to understand.	7/25/2023 5:50 PM
84	No	7/25/2023 5:46 PM
85	do not "improve"	7/25/2023 5:44 PM
86	More signs	7/25/2023 5:37 PM
87	Yes allow ohv access to trails via box canyon falls back way E-bike friendly	7/25/2023 5:32 PM
88	Better marked signs for Oak Street and Silvershield would be nice. Sometimes we are afraid that we are trespassing and not sure where to park	7/25/2023 5:24 PM
89	Paved roads with signs would be a pretty good start.	7/25/2023 5:15 PM
90	No	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
91	We are working on wayfinding and a digital app to help direct.	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
92	Better signage.	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
93	Parking for 5th avenue trail and West side Perimeter trail	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
94	sidewalk maps showing maps of town and trails	7/25/2023 5:00 PM
95	Its a good system as is, not sure other than signage how to improve connections	7/25/2023 4:52 PM

Q8 Anything else you'd like to tell us?

Answered: 78 Skipped: 31

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It would also be nice to see some educational signage on Main St to warn tourists to expect to see cyclists. Lots of locals ride our bikes around town and up the pass and tourists from states that don't do outdoor recreation (NM, TX) never know what to do (sometimes in a well intentioned way, sometimes not). CDOT's been promising signage on the highway for years and never following through, but it does seem like if the City of Ouray wants all these tourists driving around, they have some responsibility to educate them and protect locals' right to recreate outdoors here.	8/24/2023 12:44 PM
2	I am very pleased that the City Council has commissioned this study. Looking forward to seeing the results.	8/23/2023 4:02 PM
3	n/a	8/22/2023 2:56 PM
4	No	8/21/2023 1:34 PM
5	.	8/18/2023 1:36 PM
6	City needs to take better care of existing parks and rec facilities. And listen to those using these spaces. Local kids should be the priority not tourists.	8/17/2023 1:19 PM
7	No	8/14/2023 8:00 PM
8	no	8/13/2023 2:05 PM
9	More work on the River trail	8/12/2023 7:12 PM
10	no	8/12/2023 6:56 PM
11	Do Ouray Right! We are unique and should keep it this way. Don't love Ouray to death!	8/11/2023 1:26 PM
12	Why is the ice rink covered in the future plans? I would think skating in the winter and being able to see the landscape would be more enjoyable than a metal roof. That's my two cents.	8/11/2023 11:16 AM
13	Park City vehicles away from Hot Springs Pool park so visitors can park there. Improve trailhead signage. Embrace and promote sustainable 'green' practices. Improve access to river trail so people aren't walking along streets and highways. Promote bicycle usage. Build a playground on Oak Street - this is where you are building all the new houses. Make developers pay for neighborhood parks. Develop a human-powered recreation corridor through town that allows human recreations to avoid the motorized or industrial tourist areas of downtown and the ice park via Feratta. The ice park area and via Feratta are too commercial.	8/11/2023 8:56 AM
14	I think the parks are generally in good shape and well equipped and maintained - would love gender neutral bathrooms in more public buildings and places though.	8/11/2023 6:30 AM
15	Keep improving and expanding parking for trail head access. 3-4 spots is not enough for Old Horsethief. A soccer field area with some soccer goals would be nice as well, maybe down by where the new river condos are being built.	8/10/2023 7:51 AM
16	Figure out something between 7th Ave down to Public Works on Oak Street to handle all the foot traffic and reduce the conflict between cars and people.	8/7/2023 10:18 AM
17	Thank you for taking our input via a survey! The only thing I'd like to specifically add is I do not want "affordable housing", or any housing, to be constructed vicinity the woods area west of Cascade Falls. The area is a great natural setting for all to enjoy; the Falls are really a state treasure as there are not an unlimited number of falls that high. Plus, it is somewhat organized chaos currently with the amount of visitors to the falls. My guess is that area is the 2nd or 3rd most popular site in town; it doesn't need 20-40 permanently parked cars to add to the chaos. Traffic control on 8th Avenue is marginally dangerous with speeding vehicles on the reduced traction steeper dirt road. The dust level is higher than desired. And, once above the 5th St intersection on 8th Ave, it is ice packed from December to April-ish.	8/5/2023 6:15 PM

18	N/A	8/5/2023 4:53 PM
19	Ouray has some of the best parks in Colorado. The only thing we don't have are zip lines and slack lines. Both are incredibly dangerous. I'm good with not having them.	8/3/2023 2:26 PM
20	No	8/3/2023 2:15 PM
21	You do a wonderful job with the resources you have! I'm grateful for the City of Ouray's Parks and opportunities and think they are our greatest resource!	8/3/2023 2:14 PM
22	Good to get this plan together with Community input.	8/3/2023 1:41 PM
23	Great job!	8/1/2023 10:13 AM
24	No	8/1/2023 9:39 AM
25	No	8/1/2023 9:27 AM
26	Nope	8/1/2023 9:25 AM
27	You all are doing a great job!	7/31/2023 11:00 PM
28	No	7/31/2023 8:11 PM
29	FIX THE POOL->	7/31/2023 5:22 PM
30	Please keep Cascade Falls wild, no buildings/housing added to this area.	7/31/2023 10:12 AM
31	We would like to see more emphasis put into things locals use regularly and tourists can enjoy while here.	7/30/2023 8:16 AM
32	No	7/29/2023 4:08 PM
33	Dog poop is a constant challenge on trails. Thanks very much to our trail maintainers for picking up after others. Also thanks to the Ouray Teals Group and Parks/Rec department for the great maintenance efforts. Also, the new bathrooms at Rotary Park and upcoming ones at Fellin Park are terrific. Thanks!!	7/29/2023 11:23 AM
34	We need to incorporate a Financial and Political Strategic Planning Element into this Master Plan so that Council(s) can know when and how much it will take to take major steps over the next 20 years.	7/29/2023 11:06 AM
35	Need a bike path along side Highway 550 connecting Rotary Park to main street.	7/28/2023 11:27 PM
36	no	7/28/2023 10:21 PM
37	I would like to see a network of bike paths and city-funded efforts to maintain Nordic ski trails and keep dog-walkers from trampling the crap out of them when they are groomed. The North Corridor ski loop could be a real gem of a winter attraction, but it's a real junk show with no signage or enforcement to educate those traveling on foot/hooof regarding their destructive impact. (Dogs on the loose in the summer are also a nuisance and a hazard to runners and walkers on the River Walk trail, and I can't understand why everyone feels they're above the law and can ignore the "Keep dogs on leash" signs. It wouldn't take many days worth of citations being issued for dog owners to start paying attention to the rules.) Ironon could be better, too, if there were regularly scheduled maintenance of the Nordic trails, rather than relying 100% on volunteers to get out randomly.	7/28/2023 8:36 PM
38	no	7/28/2023 4:38 PM
39	Prioritize locals over tourists when upgrading parks....we live here and pay the taxes to support parks	7/28/2023 4:34 PM
40	No	7/28/2023 3:50 PM
41	There's a lot of emphasis on visitor/tourism recreation. I hope this survey is utilized by locals to express their concerns/desires for our parks	7/27/2023 6:18 PM
42	I'd like the Via Ferrata to be a bit less managed. Most especially I think the rules requiring a guide of you have people in your group that are outside the rated weight limit on the lanyards (which simply requires a belay on some vertical bits of the VF) are simply ridiculous. Where else does the town REQUIRE guides for an activity? There are a lot of different steep terrain	7/27/2023 12:34 PM

recreational activities that take place in and around Ouray (Jeeping, rock and ice Climbing, Canyoning, Hiking) and yet the VF is the only one that requires a guide. This is ridiculous. Especially since if we look at the times that the rescue team or EMS gets called out in relation to these various activities I think we would find that Jeeping is the most dangerous of them and no guides are required there! Let people recreate on their own and be responsible for their own safety. This isn't a theme park.

43	Nope	7/27/2023 10:10 AM
44	Keep Ouray, Ouray! We are on the brink of having our resources destroyed in front of us due to overuse and disrespect from visitors. We have got to get a handle on managing usage and behavior. I am a business owner that benefits from increased visitation. However, we have hit the limit.	7/26/2023 6:16 PM
45	I wish there was a paved bike route. Oak street is gravel and Hwy 550 is too dangerous	7/26/2023 4:41 PM
46	No. Thank you	7/26/2023 1:08 PM
47	keep up the good work and don't let the bastards grind you down!	7/26/2023 12:14 PM
48	No	7/26/2023 11:37 AM
49	n/a	7/26/2023 10:45 AM
50	no	7/26/2023 10:09 AM
51	No	7/26/2023 10:06 AM
52	Outdoor recreation is an economic driver. Ouray needs to buff out their assets and improves the experience. Parks and trails are currently in disrepair and it makes the town look drab and failing.	7/26/2023 9:59 AM
53	Don't forget the River trail. There are informational signs on the trail that are no longer readable and torn. The tables, benches and equipment are hard to get to because they are in high grass and weeds.	7/26/2023 8:15 AM
54	I ask you to prioritize locals ahead of tourists	7/26/2023 7:09 AM
55	Look for opportunities to acquire a larger dog park (fenced off leash area).	7/26/2023 3:40 AM
56	No	7/25/2023 10:21 PM
57	Keep Ouray naturally beautiful, not landscaped and suburban.	7/25/2023 10:13 PM
58	Nope	7/25/2023 9:48 PM
59	Thanks so much for asking for input. :)	7/25/2023 9:27 PM
60	No, thanks!	7/25/2023 9:24 PM
61	Don't let the John woods or mark U. Of the town turn it into another ruined Colorado town. Stop promoting to to bring in more people. There are enough already. Too many!	7/25/2023 9:13 PM
62	The river walk access and parking signage needs improvement	7/25/2023 9:05 PM
63	Most areas have a paid parks & rec department. Expecting a rotating cast of volunteers to take on what is usually a paid job is not appropriate. The city should focus on developing and hiring competent individuals and compensating them appropriately so that our parks and facilities are properly cared for and safe to use. There's currently no accountability.	7/25/2023 7:05 PM
64	To reiterate the hope for Ouray to become a "drone free zone" (with the exception of special permits...permits should be free to locals and a fee otherwise).	7/25/2023 6:56 PM
65	Having some benches going up 8 th ave to cascade falls would be helpful.	7/25/2023 6:22 PM
66	Don't allow alcohol the Hot Springs pool	7/25/2023 6:07 PM
67	No	7/25/2023 5:46 PM
68	do not overdo things	7/25/2023 5:44 PM
69	Nah	7/25/2023 5:37 PM

70	I encourage partnerships with private companies to enrich Ouray	7/25/2023 5:32 PM
71	Na	7/25/2023 5:24 PM
72	Instead of focusing on paving the parking lots to the parks, why not look at paving the city streets	7/25/2023 5:15 PM
73	The pool is so important to ouray. Fix the problems. Add pickleball. Those who tried 5 years ago gave up. Little cooperation from the fire department. The City should be in charge. Add more trash cans on Main.	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
74	When it comes to the sport spots, something to think as a future possibility is sports tourism. "If you build it they will come." So thinking about bleachers, bathroom capacity, parking ability, etc.	7/25/2023 5:14 PM
75	no	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
76	Other customer comments...it is not clear how "tough" certain areas are on the perimeter trail...or approximately how long certain hikes will take before they are already there. This is mostly from the older folks who want to know the details before they go.	7/25/2023 5:01 PM
77	better signage informing of city ordinances (leash law, no camping, etc.)	7/25/2023 5:00 PM
78	Keep Ouray's small town, warm atmosphere, please.	7/25/2023 4:52 PM



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APPENDIX C MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATION



MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATION EXAMPLE

The costs shown are high level numbers for the construction of specific park features as listed. A design fee of 10% of the total cost; a contractor fees, bonding, and mobilization fee of 20% of the total cost; and a contingency fee of 25% of the total cost should be added to the total of the line items that are selected as projects for development and as funding is acquired.

LANDSCAPING & IRRIGATION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

1.1 Description of Work

A. Furnish all supervision, labor, materials, equipment, transportation and all other incidental expenses required to maintain the landscape and irrigation system called for under this contract, in an attractive, healthy, operable condition. This includes but is not limited to: watering, fertilization, pruning, spraying, weeding, herbicide applications, bed cultivating, mulching, mowing, trimming, edging, litter removal in landscape areas, emptying trash and recycling receptacles, inspection and maintenance of irrigation system and lighting, and irrigation system winterization and spring start-ups.

Provide general clean-up to include the removal of trash and products of maintenance activities.

B. *Maintenance Areas (see parks and recommendations plans)*

C. *Spring (Start-Up)*

- Irrigation system (start-up)
- Fertilize turf areas
- Fertilize trees and shrub areas
- Aerate/thatch removal turf areas
- Topdress turf areas with organic soil amendment @ 1 CY/1,000 SF
- Recharge mulch in shrub beds and tree wells

D. *Summer (Growing Season)*

Weekly

- Mow turf areas
- Trash removal. Pick up trash from site and empty trash cans.
- Remove debris from entry monument drain
- Sweep mud/debris from sidewalks, trails, and curb and gutter
- Wash mud/debris from stone walls, stone benches, trail markers
- Wash mud/debris off metal site furnishings/lights/playground equipment

E. *Bi-Weekly*

- Weed control upland/turf/wildflower areas – spot spray/trim/hand pull
- Weed control tree wells and shrub beds – spot spray/hand pull (no trimming near tree's base)
- Irrigation controller adjustments. Contractor needs to be especially conscious of overwatering.
- Irrigation system maintenance - test and repair zone by zone
- Visual review of upland/wildflower/turf areas for overseeding
- Review perennial beds and dead-head flowers as needed.
- Refresh and rake crusher fines

- Flush chase drains and slot drains under trail.
- Flush area drains, chase drains, and small culverts/pipes under sidewalks

F. *Monthly*

- Mow/trim all upland areas. Work around wildflowers and let desirable grasses go to seed.
- Visual review of all exterior site lighting
- Visual review of water feature vault.
- Inspect play equipment, cable railings and site furnishing hardware.

G. *As Directed and Approved by the Owner (time and materials)*

- Overseed bare patches of upland/wildflower/turf areas (check bi-weekly)
- Change light bulbs in bollards and light fixtures
- Repair/addition of erosion and sediment control measures

H. *Fall/Winterization*

- Irrigation system (winterization)
- Fertilize turf areas (early fall/winterizer)
- Aerate turf areas (early fall)
- Install deer protection fencing (late fall)

I. *Winter (or Dormant Period)*

- Prune trees (once during year by licensed arborist)
- Recharge wood fiber mulch at playground (once a year if needed) coordinate with the Owner's Representative.
- Winter watering. Owner shall supply and pay for winter watering on a time and materials basis, if needed.

1.2 Other work that may be required:

- A. Irrigation repair other than normal system servicing as determined by the Owner's Representative and Landscape Architect.
- B. Erosion and sediment control.
- C. Field mowing with a flail mower outside of the contract areas.
- D. Staking or guying of trees.
- E. Additional pest control
- F. Change light bulbs in bollards and other landscape lighting.
- G. Planting of flowers, bulbs, and "seasonal color installations"
- H. Over seeding – with approved seed mixes (see Part 2 - Products).
- I. Recharge cedar bark mulch in City areas as directed by Owner's Representative.
- J. Recharge engineered wood fiber mulch per playground safety standards at playground.
- K. Minor street curb and sidewalk repair.
- L. Replacement of dead plant material not currently under a warranty. The areas under warranty will be outlined at the time of initial site inspection with the Contractor.

1.3. Schedule of Maintenance Operations for the duration of the contract shall be submitted before work begins in April. The schedule (estimated dates/tasks) shall include but not be limited to the following:

- A. Irrigation System Maintenance
 - 1. Spring start-up procedures
 - 2. General schedule systems checks
 - 3. Irrigation system at event areas should be turned off a minimum of 24 hours prior to event.
 - 4. Winterization procedures
- B. Turf Area Maintenance
 - 1. Irrigation schedules (coordinate w/Owner's Representative)
 - 2. Fertilization (once in the spring, once in early fall, and use winterizer in November, Naturesafe organic fertilizer, or approved equal)
 - 3. Organic soil amendment (submit soil analysis and small sample to Owner's Representative.)
 - 4. Aeration and thatch removal (spring and early fall)
 - 5. Mowing (weekly during growing season)
 - 6. Weed control (apply herbicide as needed, coordinate w/ Owner's Representative)
 - 7. Disease and insect control (apply as needed, coordinate w/ Owner's Representative)
 - 8. Flush area drains, chase drains, and small culverts/pipes under sidewalks (bi-weekly).
- C. Native Seeded Area Maintenance
 - 1. Irrigation schedules (coordinate w/Owner's Representative)
 - 2. Mowing (monthly, or as needed)
 - 3. Weed control (trimming/hand pulling /spot spraying)
- D. Woody Plant Maintenance (including groundcover and perennials)
 - 1. Irrigation equipment and schedules (coordinate w/Owner's Representative)
 - 2. Re-mulching and soil cultivation (time and materials)
 - 3. Re-staking, guying, and wrapping trees
 - 4. Tree and shrub pruning
 - 5. Weed control (hand pulling in shrub & perennial beds/spot spraying)
 - 6. Disease and insect control (apply as needed, coord w/ Owner's Representative)
 - 7. Tree and shrub fertilization
- E. Sidewalks and Trails
 - 1. Sweep/remove mud and debris from sidewalks and trails (weekly).
 - 2. Flush chase drains and slot drains to maintain open and clean drainage through pipes (bi-weekly).

1.4 The Contractor shall submit product data for all maintenance materials such as fertilizers, herbicides, etc. This information shall relate directly to time of use and rate of application. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) will also be required for any fertilizers, herbicides, etc. used on-site. Sample reports are shown in the Appendix for informational purposes.

- A. Submit copy of Colorado Department of Agriculture Commercial Certified Pesticide Applicator's license.
- B. Submit copy of Certified Arborist's license.
- C. Submit copy of certification for Rain Bird Irrigation Technician's Course (or approved equal).
- D. Insurance, Taxes, and Bonds
 - Commercial General Liability
 - Workers Compensation
 - Automobile Liability
 - Property Insurance
 - Certificate of Insurance - filed with the Owner prior to commencement of work and noting the Owner as an Additional Insured.
 - Insurance Review Clause
 - Licenses
 - Taxes -Owner can provide tax ID#.
 - Bonds - Performance Bond, Labor and Material Payment Bond.

PART 2 – PRODUCTS

2.1 Irrigation System

A. All material used in the repair of the irrigation system shall be equal to materials in the original installation, new and in perfect condition.

B. All replacement irrigation heads will be the same model from the same manufacturer as those being replaced. Replacement heads will be installed as shown on the record drawings.

2.2 Landscape Materials

Materials listed under this section are expressly specified for use but this does not prohibit or restrict the contractor from providing other approved materials not listed in order to complete the work herein. Substitutions requests shall be submitted in writing to the Owner's Representative prior to any materials being delivered to the site. All materials shall be new and in perfect condition. Preference will be given to locally manufactured materials as well as sustainable, eco-friendly materials.

A. General : All materials and equipment, unless otherwise indicated, shall be provided by the Contractor. The Contractor shall supply and secure fencing for storage area if needed.

- B. Water: Clean, fresh, furnished and paid for by the Owner.
- C. Lawn Fertilizer: Naturesafe organic fertilizer, or approved equal.
- D. Pesticides, Herbicides, Insecticides, and Fungicides: Submit proposed product for review by Landscape Architect.
- E. Grass Seed for Over-seeding:
- F. Lawn Areas - Centennial Turf Seed Mix supplied by Southwest Seed, or approved equal.
- G. Wildflower Areas – Western Wildflower Mix supplied by Applewood Seed Co., or approved equal.
- H. Upland Seed Mix

Upland Seed Mix		PLS
Common Name	Botanical Name	lbs/acre
'Rimrock' Indian Ricegrass	Achnatherum hymenoides 'Rimrock'	3
'Hycrest' Crested Wheatgrass	Agropyron desertorum 'Hycrest'	4
Sideoats Grama	Bouteloua curtipendula	2.5
'Lovington' Blue Grama	Bouteloua gracilis 'Lovington'	2
'Garnet' Mountain Brome	Bromus marginatus 'Garnet'	3
Yellow Beeplant	Cleome lutea VNS	2.1
Rocky Mountain Beeplant	Cleome serrulata VNS	3.2
Tall Blue Rabbitbrush	Chrysothamus nauseosus albicaulis	0.7
California poppy	Eschscholzia californica VNS	0.4
Sulphur-flower buckwheat	Eriogonum umbellatum VNS	0.5
Indian blanketflower	Gaillardia pulchella VNS	0.5
Desert Verbena	Glandularia gooddingii VNS	0.4
Bigelow's tansyaster	Machaeranthera bigelovii var. bigelovii VNS	0.5
Blue Flax	Linum lewisii	0.1
Chokecherry Lupine	Lupinus prunophilus	0.3
'Arriba' Western Wheatgrass	Pascopyrum smithii 'Arriba'	2.5
Firecracker Penstemon	Penstemon eatonii	0.2
Palmer Penstemon	Penstemon palmeri VNS	0.3
Rocky Mountain Penstemon	Penstemon strictus VNS	0.7
TOTAL		26.9 lbs/acre

I. Wetland Seed Mix

Drainage Seed Mix		PLS
Common Name	Botanic Name	lbs/acre
Redtop	Agrostis alba	1
Tufted hairgrass	Deschampsia cespitosa	1
Switchgrass	Panicum virgatum	3
Fowl Bluegrass	Poa palustris	2
Common Spikerush	Eleocharis palustris	0.5
Sodar' Streambank Wheatgrass	"Sodar" Elymus lanceolatus	2
TOTAL		9.5 lbs/acre
*Seeding rate based on 100 pure live seeds (PLS) per square foot, broadcast or drill-seeded. The seeding application rate shall be doubled for hand broadcast application.		

J. Sod – Thermal Blue or Kentucky Blue mix supplied by Superior Sod of Montrose, CO, or approved equal. The intent is to have a more drought tolerant mix with lower water requirements.

K. Shrub and Tree Liquid Fertilizer (Organic): Submit proposed product for review by Landscape Architect.

L. Organic Soil Amendment – shall meet the following requirements: Organic matter: 25% minimum, Salt content: 6.0 mmhos/cm maximum, pH: 8.5 maximum, Carbon to nitrogen ratio of 10:1 to 25:1. No live noxious weed seeds or plants shall be present. Mountain peat, aspen humus, gypsum and sand will not be accepted. Analysis shall be from tests within the previous 90 days.

M. Engineered Wood Fiber Mulch for Playground: Sof' Fall, or approved equal. 1-800-523-8690.

N. Willow stake Collection: Live young stem willow stakes of the proper species shall be collected from designated or approved growing sources in the immediate area. Harvest areas for collection of willow stakes and herbaceous transplants will be designated by the Owner's Representative. Use extreme care to avoid damage to all remaining plants in harvest areas. Willow stakes shall be in a dormant state. A maximum of 50% of the parent plants branches may be pruned for willow stakes. Collect willow stakes shall be taken from the parent plant with pruning shears. The base cut shall be angle cut, and any top cuts shall be blunt to ensure upright planting. All plant materials shall be handled with care to avoid bark stripping and trunk wood splitting. Willow stake lengths vary; the length is based on the willow stake reaching the water table. Shrub willow stakes shall be ½ inch in diameter, maximum. Tree willow stakes shall be 1 inch in diameter, maximum. Trim all side branches and leaves. Live branch willow stakes shall be bound together securely with twine at the collection site for ease of handling and protection during transport. Live cut materials shall be protected from drying at all

times. Willow stakes not installed immediately shall be kept butt end in water and stored in protected locations where they are shaded and sheltered from the wind. These shall be planted within two days of collection. Willow stakes shall be continually protected from freezing.

O. Mulch: Owner to supply; hauling/delivery shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

City parks – shredded cedar bark mulch, to be provided by Contractor. Sample to be submitted to Landscape Architect for approval.

L. Crusher fines: Clean, hard, durable particles or fragments of 1/4" minus select brown/gray crushed granite, river rock, or basalt. Match color and texture of existing crusher fines installations. Fines shall be evenly mixed throughout the aggregate.

When produced from gravel, 50 percent by weight of the material retained on a No. 4 sieve shall have one fractured face. The portion retained on the No. 4 sieve shall have a maximum percentage of wear of 50 at 500 revolutions as determined by AASHTO T96. The portion passing a No. 4 sieve shall also have a maximum liquid limit of 25 and a maximum plasticity index of 7, as determined by AASHTO T89 and AASHTO T90 respectively. The crushed aggregate screenings shall be free from clay lumps, vegetable matter, and deleterious material.

The grading requirements for screened crushed aggregate (crusher fines) per AASHTO T11 and T27 are as follows:

Percentage by Weight Passing a Square Mesh Sieve	
Sieve Designation	Percent Passing
3/8 inch	100
No. 4	95-100
No. 8	75-80
No. 16	55-65
No. 30	40-50
No. 50	25-35
No. 100	20-25
No. 200	5-15

Stabilizer Material. A non-toxic, colorless, odorless, non-staining concentrated organic powder that binds soil and screened crushed aggregate together creating a natural-appearing firm trail surface. 'Stabilizer' as manufactured by Stabilizer Solutions, Inc, Phoenix AZ, ph. (800) 336-2468, or approved equal.

2.3 Machinery

Machinery requirements listed under this section are not intended to be restrictions of specific manufacturers or models unless so stated. Specific mention of manufacturers is intended as a guide to illustrate the final product of maintenance operations desired.

- A. Mowers shall be commercial grade rotary type in good working order, finely tuned to protect the lawn from excessive exhaust fumes. Blades shall be sharp to reduce shredding of the cut grass blades. Grass catchers not required, however, mulching of grass cuttings is strongly encouraged. Excess grass clippings shall be raked up and removed.
- B. Lawn edger shall be a rigid blade type trimmer that will produce a fine clean edge where lawn meets walkways, pavements, or curbs. Curbs and walks shall not be trimmed with a monofilament line type trimmer.
- C. Pruning tools shall be maintained in good working order, cutting edges shall be sharp. Disinfect all tools when used for the removal of diseased limbs with a twenty (20%) percent solution of bleach and water.
- D. Flail type mower shall be used in areas where trails or sidewalks are in close proximity.
- E. Line trimmers are allowed for use for weed control in native areas.
- F. Blowers are allowed to remove grass clippings from sidewalks and trails. It is recommended that use of leaf blowers be limited to short periods and be respectful of residents.

PART 3 – EXECUTION

3.1 Lawn and Turf Grass Maintenance

Maintenance shall be according to the following standards:

- A. All areas shall be kept free of debris and all planted areas shall be weeded and cultivated bi-weekly. Watering, mowing, edging, trimming, fertilization, spraying, and pest control shall be included in the maintenance, see Part 1 for the frequency of these operations. Street gutters where adjacent to work areas shall be kept clean of debris.
- B. The Contractor shall re-seed all spots within the lawn where normal turf growth is not evident as determined by the Owner's Representative. All areas not acceptable to the Owner's Representative shall be seeded to match adjacent turf type.

C. Sod or seed which becomes damaged or injured as a result of Contractor's operations or negligence shall be replaced, as directed by the Owner, at no additional cost to the Owner.

D. Frequency of mowing shall be once every two weeks in April and October. During the growing season (May through September) mowing shall occur weekly. The height of cut shall be 3" unless otherwise directed by Owner or Landscape Architect. Mowing direction shall be changed every other mowing. Mower blades shall be sharpened after each mowing. All grass clippings shall be removed from all sidewalks, streets, gutters, crusher fine areas, etc. at the time of mowing. When excessive clippings are produced such as after a rainy period or in early spring, rake or vacuum the clippings.

E. String or Line Trimming – use only in those turf areas inaccessible by mower – as determined by the Owner, use line trimmer to maintain turf at approximately the same height as the mowed turf. Scalping of turf is not acceptable. Line trimmers shall not be used around the base of trees or shrubs.

F. Fertilization shall occur 3 times during the year. One time in the Spring, in early Fall, and winterizer in November. Application rates per manufacturer's recommendations.

G. Aeration shall occur in the Spring and early Fall. The type of aeration shall be core aeration unless otherwise approved by Landscape Architect. Holes should be two to three inches deep and no more than four inches apart. Lawns should be thoroughly watered the day before aerating so plugs can be pulled more deeply and easily. Mark all sprinkler heads, shallow irrigation lines and other shallow utility lines before aerating so those lines will not be damaged.

H. Thatch removal shall occur in the late Spring only when the turf has a chance to recover. A vertical mower or other machinery may be used. Contractor to submit proposed method of dethatching for approval by Landscape Architect.

I. Topdressing – organic soil amendment shall be added to turf areas during the Spring after aeration has been completed. The soil amendment shall be applied at the rate of 1CY/1,000 SF and be spread evenly across the surface of the existing turf. See Landscape Materials section 2.2 for soil analysis requirements.

J. Finishing - all turf areas shall be "finished" each week by cleaning up and removing all paper, trash, twigs, and other undesirable materials from turf areas.

K. Renovation of turf areas – in areas where the turf is severely degraded a program of aeration and organic soil amendment top dressing may be required. If this is required a time and materials proposal would be requested from the Contractor.

L. Weed control in turf areas shall consist of spot spraying with 2,4-D or other approved method. The targeted weeds will most likely be crabgrass, foxtail, and clover. If there becomes a problem in turf areas with disease or insects, the CSU Extension County office should be contacted for an evaluation/recommendation.

M. Drainage Structures – flush with water, or pipe cleaning tools so that pipes are not damaged and drainage flows are opened. If these means are not appropriate report problem to Owner for further consideration.

3.2 Open Space/Trails/Native Grasses

A. All areas shall be kept clear of trash and debris. Pick up trash throughout open space areas weekly. Remove mud and debris from trails, site furnishings, lights, and trail markers (weekly) by sweeping or power washing.

B. Weed control in native areas shall consist of hand-pulling, trimming, mowing, and spot spray with 2,4-D or other approved method. The targeted weeds will most likely be thistle, yellow clover, foxtail, chickory, bindweed, and prickly lettuce. See Weed Management Plan in Appendix. Special care needs to be taken in wetland and upland buffer areas. If weeds need to be treated in or near a wetland, consult with Landscape Architect.

C. Mowing: Native grasses will be mowed/trimmed monthly. The intent of mowing is mostly for weed control. Desirable grasses and wildflowers should be left to go to seed wherever possible. The 2' shoulder on both sides of the trail should be mowed monthly and kept clear for trail users. Use a flail mower when mowing in close proximity to the trail or other open space areas where people are present. Do not mow any wetland areas unless directed by Landscape Architect for weed control.

D. The Contractor shall over seed all spots within the native grass areas where normal growth is not evident as determined by the Owner's Representative. These areas shall be seeded to match adjacent grass mix type.

E. Willow Staking: Live stakes shall be tamped into the ground to the depth of the water table and shall protrude from the ground surface a maximum of 6". Prepare a pilot hole by hammering #5 rebar in the entire depth of cutting or other approved method. The cutting shall be tapped into the hole with rubber mallets or dead blow hammers so as not to split the wood. Carpenter or sledge hammers are not acceptable staking tools. Holes shall be backfilled as necessary so that no voids remain around the cutting. Coordinate with Landscape Architect for spacing. Planting operations shall be conducted under favorable weather conditions. No planting shall be undertaken when freezing temperatures are forecasted 24 hours in advance.

F. Drainage Structures – flush with water, or pipe cleaning tools so that pipes are not damaged and drainage flows are opened. If these means are not appropriate report problem to Owner for further consideration.

3.3 Tree and Shrub Care

A. Watering: Maintain a large enough water basin around plants so that enough water can be applied to establish moisture through the major root zone. When hand-watering, use a water wand to break the water force. Keep mulch replenished to reduce evaporation and frequency of watering. Rebuild tree wells to maintain watering efficiency.

B. Pruning: (to be completed by licensed arborist)

1. Trees:

- a. Prune trees to select and develop permanent scaffold branches that are smaller in diameter than the trunk or branch to which they are attached which have vertical spacing of from 18" to 49" and radial orientation so as not to overlay one another; to eliminate diseased or damaged growth; to eliminate narrow V-shaped branch forks that lack strength; to reduce toppling and wind damage by thinning out crowns; to maintain growth within space limitations; to maintain a natural appearance; to balance crown with roots.
- b. Under no circumstances will stripping of lower branches ("raising-up") of young trees be permitted. Lower branches shall be retained in a "tipped-back" or pinched condition with as much foliage as possible to promote caliper trunk growth (tapered trunk). Lower branches can be cut flush with the trunk only after the tree is able to stand erect without staking or other support. All sucker growth shall be continually removed from trees.
- c. Evergreen trees shall be thinned out and shaped when necessary to prevent wind and storm damage. The primary pruning of deciduous trees shall be done during the dormant season. Damaged trees or those that constitute health or safety hazards shall be pruned at any time of the year as required to eliminate these conditions.
- d. The Contractor shall always prune out dead wood. Contact Owner's Representative prior to commencing any pruning or shaping work. Immediately dispose of all pruning and trimming debris from trees and shrubs. If materials can be taken to the Phoenix Construction Recycling center on-site that is preferred, if they can not be accepted by Phoenix they should be disposed of off-site. If Contractor wants an on-site dumpster, it should be supplied at Contractor's expense; Owner to determine location.

2. Shrubs:

- a. The objective of shrub pruning are the same as for trees. Shrubs shall not be clipped into balled or boxed forms unless such is required by the design and directed by the Owner's Representative.
- b. All pruning cuts shall be made to lateral branches or buds or flush with the trunk. "Stubbing" will not be permitted.

C. Staking and Guying: Remove stakes and guys as soon as they are no longer needed. Stakes and guys are to be inspected to prevent girdling of trunks or branches and to prevent rubbing that causes bark wounds. Replace all broken stakes and ties with the same material in new condition.

D. Weed Control: Keep basins and areas between plants free of weeds. Remove weeds and foreign grasses from shrub bed areas bi-weekly. Use recommended legally approved herbicides. Avoid frequent soil cultivation that destroys shallow roots. Use mulches to help prevent weed seed germination.

E. Insect and Disease Control: Maintain a reasonable control with approved materials.

F. Mulching: Add 2" of recycled wood mulch to all tree wells and shrub beds. Cedar bark mulch to be added to tree wells and shrub beds in City parks as directed by Owner's Representative. Keep all mulch rings and tree wells intact.

G. Fertilization:

1. Fertilize all planting areas with designated materials in section 2.2. Apply at manufacturer's specified rates. Fertilize trees and shrubs in the Spring at a minimum. If trees/shrubs are stressed by drought conditions, additional fertilization may be needed.
2. Avoid applying fertilizer to the root ball and base of main stem; rather, spread evenly under plant to drip line.

H. Replacements: Contractor to replace dead and missing plants at Owner's expense unless damaged by Contractor's actions or lack of maintenance.

3.4 Groundcover Care

A. Weed Control: Control weeds, with chemical systemic spray or by mechanical means so as to cause minimal damage to planted materials.

- B. Watering: Water enough that moisture penetrates throughout root zone and only as frequently as necessary to maintain healthy growth.
- C. Fertilizing: Fertilize with designated materials in section 2.2. Apply at manufacturer's specified rates.
- D. Remove trash weekly.
- E. Edge groundcover to keep in bounds and trim top growth as necessary to achieve an overall even appearance.
- F. Replacements: Contractor to replace dead and missing plants at Owner's expense unless damaged by Contractor's actions or lack of maintenance.
- G. Dead-heading: Pinch or dead-head all blooms after expiration and prune all dead or damages foliage. Exceptions - achillea or yarrow species should not be cut back after they are done blooming. Ornamental grasses should be cut back before growth starts in the Spring. Contractor to coordinate with Landscape Architect for any clarifications.

3.5 Irrigation System

A. Spring Start-up routine

1. Standard spray – while in operation, inspect each type of head for nozzle clogging and proper pattern. Adjust valve as required to obtain optimum operating pressure for head-to-head coverage. Repair or replace sprinkler heads and nozzles as necessary.
2. Drip irrigation lines and emitters – while in operation, inspect valve for proper operating pressure and clean strainer of all dirt, etc. Flush lines at end cap. Inspect each drip line to insure proper water distribution. Inspect moisture level on both sides of root ball with soil probe.
3. Controller – Set the time clock for a test time interval (3 to 5 minutes) per station and observe the operation of each zone to insure proper water distribution. Return timing of each zone to appropriate watering cycle.
4. Inspect all valve boxes throughout the project. Adjust, if necessary, to align with surrounding grades. Remove debris and add gravel to bottom if necessary. Replace damaged lids. Owner to approve and pay for repair parts only.

B. Coordinate irrigation controller programming with Owner's Representative. Do not switch controller to "off" at anytime except as required for testing and for maintenance operations and as may be required to make repairs.

C. Repair or replace irrigation equipment damaged during normal use of irrigation equipment. Any damage to system by contractor's maintenance crews, i.e., broken heads by mowers, etc., will be repaired by Contractor at Contractor's expense.

D. Operate and visually check all zones of the irrigation system bi-weekly to assure all control valves and heads are operating properly, and that no leaks are visible which may require repair. Open all controller enclosures and visually check condition. Clean as necessary.

E. Trim grass around heads and valve boxes as necessary to ensure proper operation of heads and accessibility to control valves.

F. Work with Owner's Representative and Landscape Architect to establish proper application rates and scheduling of irrigation system to operation to ensure maximum watering efficiency. Adjust scheduling of system throughout watering season as required to adjust for fluctuations in evapotranspiration rate, (every 30 days - minimum).

Water lawns at such a frequency as weather conditions require to replenish soil moisture to 4" inches below root zone, following the schedule listed: during peak growing season – June, July and August (1.25) inches of water per week, during April and October apply approximately (0.35) inches of water per week, during May and September apply approximately (0.75) inches per week.

Water restored native areas at such a frequency as weather conditions require to establish grasses, following the schedule listed: during peak growing season – June, July and August (0.5) inches of water per week, during April and October apply approximately (0.1) inches of water per week, during May and September apply approximately (0.25) inches per week. Once native grasses have become established, it is the intention for the irrigation system to be turned off and only used in drought situations for tree and shrub survival, or for establishment of areas that are reseeded.

Schedule irrigation to be applied in shorter, multiple irrigation cycles. Do not apply all irrigation water in one long cycle. Use cycle and soak program if available on controller. Schedule all normal irrigation between 7 pm and 7 am.

G. Walk through all planting beds with drip irrigation (bi-weekly) and check for any visible signs of stress in any plant material. If stressed plant material is located, check for proper operation of drip system and repair as necessary. Contractor shall also look for visible signs of disturbance in planting beds and verify proper operation of system if any disturbance is located.

H. Check all filters on drip valve assemblies as necessary (every 30 days - minimum) and clean out or backflush filter as required to clean of debris.

I. Contractor shall be responsible for complete winterization of the irrigation system in late October. Contractor shall be responsible for placing insulated bags on backflow preventers in the early spring or late fall if freezing temperatures are predicted. Contractor shall be responsible for insuring that the irrigation system is properly protected from freeze conditions during the early spring, late fall, and winter. Contractor shall make all repairs, including parts and labor, at no cost to the Owner resulting from freeze damage caused during the length of the Landscape Maintenance Contract. Winterization of system shall include voiding all lines of water using compressed air or similar method approved by the Landscape Architect. Contractor to submit winter shut-down routine with monthly schedule for October. Contractor shall reopen and start up system in the Spring and make any adjustments to system as necessary for proper operation (see Section 3.4A above).

J. Winter Watering

Should it become necessary to irrigate during the winter months as a result of a lack of natural precipitation and moderate temperatures, the Contractor shall take whatever measures are required to provide required water to all plantings and turf. If it is decided by Contractor to activate irrigation system at any time during the winter months, he shall also be required to, again, properly winterize system. If winter watering is needed, the Contractor shall submit a proposal for approval to the Owner. The Owner shall supply and pay for winter watering on a time and materials basis.

3.6 General Site and Facilities

A. Litter removal - leaves, flowers, fruit, etc. from around the drip line of a tree. Empty the trash and recycling receptacles weekly. Plastic liners to be replaced and supplied by Contractor. Contractor must dispose of litter in a legal manner off-site unless otherwise coordinated with Owner's Representative.

B. Mulch Surfaces – to be kept clean of litter, mud, and other debris. Inspect areas weekly with normal litter removal operations.

C. Plazas, stage area, sidewalks, curb and gutter – to be kept clean of litter, mud, and other debris. Inspect areas weekly and clean, sweep, and remove litter and debris as needed. This will require mostly hand sweeping. Dispose of materials as discussed above.

D. Crusher Fines - Refresh and rake crusher fines areas bi-weekly. The Contractor should have (1) CY of crusher fines, that match the existing material, stored at an approved location on-site, so that areas can be refreshed.

E. Lighting and site electrical – Review all lights, monthly, to insure proper operation. Report any damage or non-functioning bulbs. Replacements to be approved/coordinated with Owner's Representative and will be paid for on a time and materials basis.

F. Play Equipment, Cable Railings, Site Furnishings, Trail Markers, etc. – weekly cleaning to include washing mud and debris from item. Inspection, tightening, and repair of fasteners and other hardware to be done as necessary.

G. A staging area will be identified on-site after a contractor has been selected.

END OF SECTION

