### Appendix D:

# **Goldsboro Parks and Recreation Plan**

## 2012 Update

The City of Goldsboro requested that Recreation Resources Service (RRS) review the December 2008 Goldsboro Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan and update the plan to reflect the current interest and concerns of the citizens of Goldsboro and the condition of parks in the city. The revised plan should include recommendations regarding existing facilities and a determination of future park and facility needs. These recommendations were to be based on input from the city council district meetings, the stakeholders meetings, the parks and recreation parks and recreation advisory committee, the parks and recreation staff, and the professional experience of Recreation Resources Service.

## I. Public Input Process

In February of 2012 a presentation was made to the Goldsboro City Council which outlined the data collection methodology that Recreation Resources Service would use. The presentation outlined a series of 6 city council district meetings and at least 8 stakeholder meetings over a three month period. Other meetings with various government agencies and city departments, including the parks and recreation staff and the parks and recreation advisory board were also planned and conducted.

The following tools were used in the meetings to stimulate discussion:

- 1. Definitions of various park types
- 2. A generic list of recreation facilities
- 3. A review of all city parks and maps

#### **City Council District Meetings:**

City Council District meetings were held in all 6 of the city council districts. These meetings were coordinated with community leaders to make sure that location and time suited area residents.

### **Stakeholders Meetings:**

Stakeholder meetings were held with YMCA, the Boys and Girls Club, Cliffs of the Neuse State Park, Old Waynesborough Park, Paramount Theatre, St. Stephens Episcopal Church, Goldsboro Housing Authority, Special Needs Club and Senior Citizens clubs.

### Other Governmental Agencies:

Meetings were held with the City Council, the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee, Park and Recreation Staff, the Wayne County Planning Department, City Public Information Officer, and the Tourism Department. Efforts were made to meet with the Wayne County School System, Wayne County

government and Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, but they were not available. The Parks and Recreation Department has since met with county officials and have begun a joint planning effort regarding trails.

### **Summary of Comments Received:**

Since comments collected from all the meetings were varied, numerous, and sometimes repetitive it was decided to divide the responses into four different categories. .

The categories used in this report are as follows: Maintenance, Management, Improvements to Existing Facilities and New Facilities.

#### Maintenance:

The comments related to maintenance issues are: (1) timely equipment repairs, (2) improved restrooms maintenance, (3) improved litter removal, (4) improved landscaping (weed control, grass mowing and more flowers).

### Management

Meeting participants made comments that related to managing parks and community centers. Comments focused on:

- (1) Planning more activities in the parks
- (2) Posting specific opening and closing times at all parks
- (3) Increasing security in all parks
- (4) Developing a master plan for each park
- (5) Relocating some facilities at some parks
- (6) Closing some facilities that are not being used at various parks
- (7) Developing a marketing plan for the parks and recreation programs and facilities
- (8) Marketing to more family reunions to generate revenue.

### **Improvements to Existing Facilities**

Comments relating to improvement to existing facilities are varied for all of the park facilities. Many of the improvements are needed at all parks. Therefore, the following improvements are recommended throughout the park system:

- (1) Increase the lighting in parks
- (2) Increase the number of working water fountains
- (3) Renovate restroom buildings
- (4) Increase the number of picnic shelters
- (5) Increase and improve signage inside and outside the parks
- (6) Improve landscaping and plant new trees
- (7) Improve all playgrounds
- (8) Make all parks accessible for our disabled users
- (9) Create a new access to Quail Park from Hwy 70.

### **New Facilities recommendations**

Suggestions for new facilities for the Goldsboro Parks and Recreation Department included:

- (1) Lighted soccer fields,
- (2) Spraygrounds
- (3) Additional sand volleyball courts
- (4) Additional disc golf courses
- (5) Additional walking trails
- (6) Skateboard park
- (7) Additional baseball/softball fields
- (8) Additional recreation center
- (9) Amphitheatre
- (10) Greenway along the Stoney Creek waterway
- (11) Additional access points to the Neuse River
- (12) Additional water features or small lakes

### **II. PROPOSED RENOVATION TO PARKS:**

## Mini Parks (less than 4 acres)

A facility designed to provide recreational opportunities for a small area within a neighborhood. Generally, a mini-park is designed for young children, however in some cases it may be designed for aesthetic purposes. 1/2 acre is the recommended minimum size to provide adequate buffer space and diversity of uses; however, in some cases smaller sites may be developed. Mini parks have a service radius of up to .5 miles

### **Henry C. Mitchell Park**

At 1.0 acres, the Henry C. Mitchell Park, is the smallest in the system. It is located in the Little Washington residential area and features a playground. The track is an unusual shape and abuts an active rail line. There is a fence that runs along the railroad.

It was recommended during the public meetings, by citizens that live in the vicinity of park, that this park be made a passive recreation area, community garden or possibly selling the property for single family housing.



#### **Park Improvements**

\$10,000.00
\$13,000.00
\$5,000.00
\$10,000.00
\$5,000.00

Total \$43,000.00

### **Washington Park**

Washington Park is a 2.0 acre mini-park that was taken out of the system in 1999 because of flooding due to Hurricane Floyd. It was located between George Street and Hwy 117 By-Pass in South Goldsboro (Little Washington Area). It is not being maintained at this time so it was removed from the table.

## Neighborhood Parks (4 to 12 acres)

The neighborhood park is designed to serve the recreational needs of children 6-15 years of age, as well as adults, pre-schoolers, and seniors. It would typically include family picnic areas, open turf areas for informal sports and play equipment. Lighted athletic fields would not be included. At least one neighborhood park should be provided in each neighborhood planning area. Neighborhood Parks have a service radius of .5 to .75 miles.

### **South End Neighborhood Park**

South End Neighborhood Park is a 4.0 acre park on South Slocumb Street that features a basketball court, a multi-use area, and a children's playground. The property is owned by the Goldsboro Housing Authority. Before the city further develops the park, the park property should be sub-divided from the housing units and site control given to the City of Goldsboro. The park is adjacent to two separate public housing area.



### **Park Improvements**

Playground accessibility	\$10,000
Parking Lot	\$20,000
Fence Repair	\$10,000
Basketball Court Improvements	\$45,000
Shade Structure	\$10,000
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$7,500
Signage	\$5,000

Total \$107,500

### **Quail Park**

Quail Park is a 9.0 acre neighborhood park located in the Jefferson Park neighborhood. The park was acquired with Land and Water Conservation Grant Funds. This irregular-shaped park is heavily treed and has a picnic shelter and a children's playground. Renovation plans should include expanding the park towards Royal Street (incorporating land currently owned by the City), creating a new park entrance and reorienting park amenities to that entrance. The ball field should be converted to open space. Consideration should be given to allowing only pedestrian access from Quail Drive. Due to LWCF requirements, changing the ball field designation would require a change in use request to the National Park Service. The city's greenway system is accessible from this park.



### **Park Improvements**

Playground accessibility	\$35,000.00
Tree trimming	\$10,000.00
Basketball Court Relocation	\$20,000.00
Picnic Shelter Relocation	\$10,000.00
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$7,500.00
Signage	\$5,000.00

Total \$87,500.00

### **North End Community Park**

North End Community Park is a 9.0 acre park located in North Goldsboro on Neil Street. The park includes two tennis courts, two basketball court, two picnic shelters, a softball field and a children's playground. Recommendations include making all facilities ADA accessible, restoring area lighting, restoring basketball and tennis courts and removing old fountain. A park redesign would include moving the playground towards the shelters, and creating a new parking lot off Neil Street. Consideration should be given to close the tunnel under Highway 70. It seems that it is most used for illegal purposes and vary rarely for access to the park.



### **Park Improvements**

Park improvements	
Playground accessibility	\$12,000
Tree trimming	\$500
Ball field/bleacher accessibility	\$4,000
Bathroom renovations/ADA accessibility	\$10,000
Tennis Court resurfacing*	\$15,000
Basketball Court improvements	\$15,000
Picnic Shelter Replacement	\$35,000
Area lighting-renovation	\$15,000
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$7,500
Remove fountain	\$500
Parking Lot	\$25,000
Signage	\$5,000

Total \$144,500

<sup>\*</sup>Propose converting to Skateboard Park

## Community Parks (13-50 acres)

This Park is designed to serve a wide variety of needs for youths and adults in both active and passive recreation. Facilities for sports fields, open turf areas, playgrounds, picnic areas, and off-street parking could include restrooms and related facilities. The park should also include facilities for pre-schoolers, young children, senior citizens and families. Components of neighborhood parks and mini-parks should be included in the Community Park. Lighted athletic fields for active sports are included. The Community Park includes facilities which serve neighborhoods and/or the City of Goldsboro. Community Parks have a service radius of 1 to 2 miles.

#### **Peacock Park**

Peacock Park is a 14.0 acre community park located on Herring Street in north Goldsboro. It has an outdoor swimming pool, a lighted softball field and a children's playground. Consideration should be given to moving the playground on the pool deck to create a more unified park. The playground would be a unique part of the improved swimming pool. The park is currently disjointed by the construction of the park maintenance building where the ball field was. A new park plan should be created focusing the attention of the park to the swimming pool area. An access road should be provided for the maintenance building so that maintenance vehicles would not have to use the park access road.



#### **Park Improvements**

Playground accessibility	\$14,500.00
Bathhouse renovations/ADA accessibility	\$20,000.00
Swimming Pool improvements (ADA accessibility, deck, shade	\$150,000.00
structure, water slide, chairs, tables)	
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$7,500.00

Signage \$5,000.00

Total \$197,000.00

### H. V. Brown Park

The H. V. Brown Park is a 14.0 acre community park located at the intersection of Elm Street and the US 117 Bypass. It has a baseball field, three picnic shelters, two basketball courts, a large children's playground, a multi-use area, handicapped access and public restrooms. Recent improvements at the park included converting the tennis courts to basketball courts, and converting the basketball courts to much needed parking. Recommendations from the public meeting included replacing the three picnic shelters, with two larger shelters. The city should investigate the restoration of the decorative fountain in the park. Given the location of the park off of Highway 117, this fountain could be an identifying symbol of Goldsboro and the quality of life in the community.



### **Park Improvements**

Playground accessibility/surfacing	\$18,500.00
Bathroom replacement	\$100,000.00
Ball field improvements/ accessibility	\$35,000.00
Bathroom renovations/ADA accessibility	\$10,000.00
Picnic Shelter Replacement (2 large shelters)	\$100,000.00
Shelters/Bathroom Walkway accessibility	\$25,000.00
Area lighting-renovation	\$15,000.00
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$11,500.00
Fountain restoration	\$50,000.00
Signage	\$5,000.00

Total \$370,000.00

### **Fairview Park**

Fairview Park is a 17.43 acre community park located on Edgerton Street. It features two lighted softball fields, a soccer field, a basketball court, a picnic shelter and a children's playground. There are general accessibility issues to this park. Currently, the access from E. Atlantic Ave. is blocked which greatly impacts the access to the park. Improvement includes building an access road to the nearby parking lot and removing outdated playground equipment.



### **Park Improvements**

ADA accessibility to park amenities	\$26,000
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Access road off Atlantic Street	\$25,000
Resurface Parking Lot	\$35,000
Bathroom improvements (roof, lighting)	\$5,000
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$8,100
Signage	\$5,000

Total \$104,100

### **Mina Weil Park**

Mina Weil Park is a 20.77 acre community park located at the intersection of South John Street and House Street. It has two lighted baseball fields, a lighted football field, a multi-use area, an outdoor swimming pool, a picnic shelter, four lighted tennis courts, a soccer field, a fitness track and a children's playground. With the need to replace W.A. Foster Center, the City has a unique opportunity to build a recreation center that only provides indoor recreation needs also provides an opportunity to upgrade the swimming pool at a significant savings. This can be accomplished by incorporating the bath house into the center. The swimming pool would include shaded deck, zero depth entry, water spray features, a small water slide and swimming lanes.



### **Park Improvements**

Playground accessibility/surfacing	\$25,000
Ball field improvements/ accessibility	\$51,000
Shelters/Bathroom Walkway accessibility	\$25,000
Area lighting-renovation	\$5,000
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, fencing, etc.)	\$15,000
Tree maintenance	\$3,500
Signage	\$5,000
Swimming pool renovations	\$600,000
Additional Parking Spaces	\$25,000

Picnic Shelter \$50,000

Improvements Cost: \$804,000

**Recreation Center** 

20,000 sq. ft. building to include:

1 - gym

Multipurpose rooms
Fitness and Weight room
Restrooms/showers/lockers
Design fees

Recreation Center Cost S2,050,000

Grand Total \$2,854,000

#### **Herman Park**

According to the 2008 Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan, "at the center of the city is the oldest, most popular park, Herman Park. Located on Park Avenue, it is situated behind the Herman Park Center. In 1890 Solomon and Henry Weil donated the park in memory of their brother, Herman. On this site they erected a nineteenth century park house and in 1916 Danish artist Bertel Thorwaldsen created a bronze fountain sculpture named 'Lady in the Park'. The original work now resides at the Wayne County Museum. In 2003, the city raised \$50,000 to duplicate the work which can still be seen in the park. The park house was originally constructed in 1904 and was most recently renovated in 1976."

Herman Park is a 24.0 acre community park that has ten lighted tennis courts, three picnic shelters, the historic park house and fountain, a gazebo, a children's playground and a miniature train operated by the Goldsboro Kiwanis Club. In 2005 the train celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> year of operation.

Given the perceived status of the park in the community, a special effort needs to be made to keep the park and it's amenities in the best condition possible. The park needs to be reflective of the image desired by the community. The park is over-crowded with amenities. The 2008 plan makes reference to the fact that the picnic shelters are too close to the tennis courts. Given the popularity of the park, it will be difficult to make changes, such as removing a tennis court or a picnic shelter, but future plans for the park such take that into consideration. There are amenities that should be added such as walking trails, and increased parking but given the crowded nature of the park, these changes would only add to the problem. Options include, replacing the three shelters with two shelters. One shelter would be built at the current location and one across Park Avenue, closer to the gazebo. A pedestrian entrance could be made on the Ash Street side of the property and users could access the park using the parking lot there

A site specific master plan should be developed for the park. This plan should also include the Herman Park Center, the Library and the adjacent grounds.

The landscaping and grass should be maintained on a weekly, if not daily schedule. All amenities should be in excellent condition and the facility in full compliance with ADA guidelines.



### **Park Improvements**

ADA accessibility to park amenities	\$45,000
Landscaping	\$10,000
General maintenance to facilities	\$25,000
Picnic shelter improvements (roof, lighting)	\$75,000
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$8,000
Remove shuffleboard courts	\$5,000
Tennis Court repairs	\$20,000
Signage	\$5,000

Total \$181,000

### **Stoney Creek Park**

Stoney Creek Park is a 30-acre parcel that was deeded to the City as a FEMA buy-out parcel after the area flooded. The park is located on Ash Street. Stoney Creek runs alongside the park. It has a butterfly garden, children's natural play area, 18-hole disc golf course, picnic area and benches and a walking trail. The natural play area consists of 3 climbing boulders, several low level tree trunks with letters, numbers and shapes, and a sand play area. Currently under construction in the park are a picnic area, beach volleyball court, amphitheater, and restrooms. The park should serve as a key access point to the future

greenway, as identified in the **2035 Goldsboro Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update.** The City owns land from Stephens Street to the community college, which would be suitable for a greenway.

As noted in the 2008 plan, there are only certain things that can be done on property that is part of a FEMA buy-out. Go to this website for

specifics: <a href="http://www.fema.gov/pdf/government/grant/resources/hbphase4.pdf">http://www.fema.gov/pdf/government/grant/resources/hbphase4.pdf</a>

### **Berkeley Memorial Park**

The Berkeley Memorial Park is a 31.59 acre community park located at the end of Cashwell Drive. It is Goldsboro's largest park and it features two lighted softball fields, two lighted basketball courts, two picnic shelters, a large children's playground, public restrooms, handicapped access and a large playing field. The park's location provides an excellent opportunity to share facilities and resources with the neighboring Greenwood Middle School. The athletic fields at the school were refurbished by the city. Consideration should be given to improving the park's entrance and making it more appealing with directional/information signs and clear site lines. Some of the playground equipment in the park is outdated and needs to be replaced.



### **Park Improvements**

ADA accessibility to park amenities/playground surfacing	\$35,000
Replace playground equipment	\$50,000
Picnic shelter improvements (roof)	\$3,000
Park amenities (trash cans /water fountains, etc.)	\$8,000
Bathroom repairs (roof)	\$1,000
Signage	\$5,000

Total \$102,000

#### **SPECIAL FACILITIES:**

#### **Municipal Golf course**

This 18-hole course has a full service pro shop and a snack bar. It is open year around. The golf course was built in 1941 and renovated in 1999. The renovation was supervised by Jon LaFoy, a renowned golf course architect. The course has over 6,000 square feet of greens, 419 fairways and concrete cart paths throughout. This challenging course is open to the public. The facility also includes a driving range and a large practice area. Golf lessons are available. A marketing plan should be developed for the course and staff should work with local travel and tourism effort to promote the course. A number of golf courses in the area have closed and there is uncertainty about the future of the course on the military base. All these situations, create opportunities for the city's course.



#### **Park Improvements**

Club House Restoration\$100,000.00Landscaping\$30,000.00Signage\$5,000.00

Total \$135,000.00

#### **Herman Park Center**

The Herman Park Center is located at 901 East Ash Street. The 16,000 square foot Center was built in 1892 and was known as the Odd Fellows Home. Between 1892 and 1971 it was an orphanage and school. It was purchased by the City for a cost of \$390,000 and renovated in 1978. Roof repairs were

last made in 2007. The facility has an auditorium, a leisure center, meeting/activity rooms and a kitchen area. It hosts performances, social, educational and recreational activities and programs.

#### **Park Improvements**

Given the historical significance of the Herman Park Center, the City should conduct a facility use assessment and then proceed to restore the Center to meet these needs. Some suggested uses would be administrative offices, therapeutic recreation center, senior center and community gathering place. The center is beyond the need for "cosmetic" repairs and needs a complete make-over. Given the close proximity to Herman Park, an effort should be made to incorporate the Center (and the entire block, including the library) into the design plan for Herman Park. This would allow for better spacing of amenities throughout the park, additional parking, restrooms and other amenities provided by the Center.



#### W. A. Foster Recreation Center

The W. A. Foster Recreation Center is located at 516 S. Leslie Street. The center was constructed in 1938 and named the Leslie Street Community Center. In 1974 the building was renovated and the name changed to the W. A. Foster Recreation Center to honor Walter A. Foster, retired principal of East End School and prominent community member. The Center has an indoor basketball court, a game room, meeting rooms, a kitchen and an outdoor playground. Educational, recreational and athletic programs are offered at the Center.



Due to condition of the building and concerns of asbestos in parts of the building, the City Council has decided to demolish this facility and to build a replacement in the area. The consideration to build the facility in Mina Weil Park is well founded. The city could combine the new facility with new bathhouse facilities for the swimming pool in the park and accomplish two goals with one project. Consideration should also be given to restoring/replacing the pool at the same time to provide citizens with an excellent recreational opportunity in the southern portion of the city.

### III Recommended Future Park Facilities

In order to determine recommended future park facilities, maps were drawn showing the service areas of current parks. In addition, participants in the public meetings were asked what new facilities that they would like to see in Goldsboro. An analysis of these maps and public input indicate a need for one special facility, a downtown park, two additional neighborhood parks and one community park. In addition to new park facilities, efforts should be made to introduce new amenities, identified during the public input process, to existing parks.

As the City works to redevelop its parks it is very important to have an organized plan for each park as work is begun. The first would involve the mapping and the development of a site specific masterplan for each park. The process will also include gathering further citizen input into each plan. This process is very important given the breadth and cost of needs for redevelopment of the park system.

### **New Park Recommendations**

**Neighborhood parks** should be built in two areas of the City:

- 1. In the area between E New Hope Road and N Berkeley Ave.
- 2. In the area of Patetown Road.

The neighborhood park (4-12 acres) is designed to serve the recreational needs of children 6-15 years of age, as well as adults, pre-schoolers, and seniors. It would typically include family picnic areas, open turf areas for informal sports and play equipment. Lighted athletic fields would not be included. At least one neighborhood park should be provided in each neighborhood planning area. Neighborhood Parks have a service radius of .5 to .75 miles.

Each of these parks should have site specific master plans developed to include public participation in the planning process.

#### **Cost Estimates**

Land (10 acres) \$50,000 Playground Equipment \$40,000 Picnic Shelter \$44,000

Total	\$184,000
Park Amenities	<u>\$15,000</u>
Walking Trail	\$35,000

### **Special Facilities**

A facility such as a community center with recreation building, gymnasium, teen center, aquatic center, public access to public trust waters or other cultural or athletic facility that serves a specific need for a portion of the area population. These facilities may be constructed as part of a Community Park. Special Facilities have a City-wide service radius.

With the planned construction of the W.A. Foster Center at Mina Weil Park, it is recommended that a complementary Recreation Center be built in the vicinity of Wayne Community College/Wayne Memorial Hospital. The recreation center would be built in conjunction with a Sports Complex to provide a comprehensive array of recreation opportunities for Goldsboro citizens.

### **Cost Estimates**

Land (50 acres)	\$250,000
Playground Equipment	\$75,000
Picnic Shelter (3)	\$100,000
Walking Trail (unpaved/2 n	n) \$75,000
Ballfields	\$750,000
Splash Park	\$75,000
Concessions/Restrooms	\$100,000
Park Amenities	\$50,000
Parking Lot	\$200,000
Recreation Center*	\$4,075,000

Total \$5,750,000

Given the redevelopment efforts of the City of Goldsboro for downtown, the inclusion of a **Downtown**Park would be an important addition. The park should include an amphitheater for performances, multi-purpose shelter, a water feature that people can play in, seats, benches, a small play apparatus.



(Example of Downtown Park)

<sup>\*</sup>Center will include (40,000 sq. ft. @ \$100/sq. ft) – 2 gyms, walking track, fitness and weight rooms, restrooms w/showers & lockers, multipurpose rooms, design fees.

#### Cost estimates

 Playground Equipment
 \$50,000.00

 Picnic Shelter (1)
 \$40,000.00

 Splash Park
 \$75,000.00

 Amphitheater
 \$51,000.00

 Park Amenities
 \$10,000.00

Total 226,000.00

### **Greenways/Trails**

According to Greenways, Inc., "Greenways are corridors of land recognized for their ability to connect people and places together. These ribbons of open space are located within linear corridors that are either natural, such as rivers and streams, or manmade, such as abandoned railroad beds and utility corridors. Greenways, as vegetated buffers protect natural habitats, improve water quality and reduce the impacts of flooding in floodplain areas. Most greenways contain trails, which enhance existing recreational opportunities, provide routes for alternative transportation, and improve the overall quality of life in an area".

2035 Goldsboro Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update calls for the development of approximately 38.3 miles of new multi-use paths are proposed, located along the Neuse River, New Hope Road, and from Royall Avenue to Stephens Street (Stoney Creek). The Stoney Creek trail has the potential of going from the proposed Recreation Center on Wayne Memorial Blvd. to the Neuse River at Arrington Bridge Road. The multi-use paths recommended on Royall Avenue and neighboring streets will provide an off-street option to connect to downtown, recreation centers, parks and retail centers. The multi-use path recommended along the Neuse River will connect the Mountains to Sea Trail (MST) with scenic areas of Wayne County. These recommendations are in keeping with information gathered from the public meetings. Particular interest was expressed in the Mountains to Sea Trail through Old Waynesborough Park and the Stoney Creek trail. The Mountains to Sea Trail also can provide the community better access to the Neuse River. Old Waynesborough Park already has 4 miles of unimproved trails on over 150 acres of land. As previously mentioned, conversations have begun with the county on the MST. One of the first steps should be the development of a Greenway Plan for the city and the county. This plan would provide a roadmap for development of trails throughout the city and county.

Cost estimates: \$700,000/mile

These costs are meant as a planning tool only and may vary considerably based on several factors, including terrain, material availability and inflation.

## **Proposed Location of New Amenities in Existing Parks**

In addition to new facilities, the public meetings, the stakeholders meetings, and the meeting with governmental agencies produced some suggestions for new facilities for the Goldsboro Parks and Recreation Department. The recommended new facilities included: lighted soccer fields, sprayground, sand volleyball courts, more disc golf, more walking trails, and skateboard park.

Lighted Soccer fields-

Fairview Park

Cost estimate: \$450,000 per field

Spraygrounds-

Berkeley Park

Cost estimate: \$75,000

Walking trails-

Berkeley Mina Weil

Quail

Peacock

Cost estimate: \$130/linear foot

**Disc Golf** 

Berkeley

Cost estimate: \$10,000

Sand volleyball courts

Berkeley

Mina Weil

Fairview

Cost estimate: \$500 (each)

**Skateboard Park** 

North End Park (convert Tennis Courts)

Cost estimate: \$80,000

Dog Park

Quail Park

Cost estimate: \$25,000

## **Funding Recommendations**

Section 14 of the 2008 plan lists a number of funding options for park improvements. Given the magnitude of needs, it will be necessary to spread the projects over a number of years. Priority consideration should be to:

- 1. Health and Safety Issues
  - a. ADA Accessibility
  - b. Playground surfacing
  - c. Water Fountains
  - d. Restrooms
  - e. Security/visibility
- 2. Upgrade of Signature Parks
  - a. Mina Weil (Foster Center)
  - b. Herman Park
  - c. Berkeley Park
- 3. Development of Downtown Park
- 4. Trail Development
  - a. Mountains to Sea Trail
  - b. Stoney Creek Trail
- 5. Land Acquisition for Future Parks

Additional money should be set aside to develop site specific masterplans for parks and greenways/trails

See Appendix E for Summary of Funding Recommendations by year