

CITY OF WYNNE, ARKANSAS

PARKS AND RECREATION

MASTER PLAN

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CITY OF WYNNE

INTRODUCTION (**from Wikipedia 2010*)

Wynne is the county seat and largest city of Cross County, Arkansas, United States. The population was 8,615 at the 2000 Census. Nestled between the Arkansas Delta and Crowley's Ridge, Wynne is home to the largest state park in Arkansas, Village Creek State Park. Currently, Paul Nichols serves as the mayor of Wynne.

GEOGRAPHY

Wynne lies at 35°13'39"N 90°47'22"W 35.2275°N 90.78944°W (35.227435, -90.789435), the boundary between two distinct geographical areas of Arkansas: the fertile farmland of the Arkansas Delta (which is a part of the larger Mississippi Alluvial Plain), and Crowley's Ridge, a distinct rise marking the New Madrid Fault Line.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the city has a total area of 8.2 square miles (21.2 km²), of which, 8.1 square miles (21.1 km²) of it is land and 0.12% is water.

The town of Wynne is considered "the city with a smile" and displays this title proudly on their single overpass which is also painted in the school colors of blue and gold.

DEMOGRAPHICS

According to the census of 2000, there were 8,615 people, 3,245 households, and 2,323 families residing in the city. The population density was 1,056.5 people per square mile (408.1/km²). There were 3,476 housing units at an average density of 426.3/sq mi (164.7/km²). The racial makeup of the city was 75.91% White, 22.32% Black or African American, 0.15% Native American, 0.48% Asian, 0.27% from other races, and 0.88% from two or more races. 1.03% of the population were Hispanic or Latino of any race.

There were 3,245 households out of which 36.1% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 48.5% were married couples living together, 19.0% had a female householder with no husband present, and 28.4% were non-families. 26.2% of all households were made up of individuals and 12.6% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.56 and the average family size was 3.09.

In the city the population was spread out with 28.7% under the age of 18, 8.7% from 18 to 24, 27.4% from 25 to 44, 20.4% from 45 to 64, and 14.8% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 35 years.

Wynne was named for Captain Jesse Watkins Wynne. Wynne, a Texan, achieved the rank of Captain in the Civil War at the age of just 21, and he was famous for once leading a group of his captors up to the Confederate lines, where he then marched them to headquarters as his own prisoners.

From 1880 to 1885, as the St. Louis, Iron Mountain, and Southern Railroad was under construction, active steamboat riverports like Wittsburg, Arkansas, at that time the county seat of Cross County, were deserted for the railroads.

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The location of the settlement of Wynne was first chosen in 1882, when a train derailed, leaving one boxcar without wheels and off the tracks. That boxcar was then turned upright as a building, and as a compliment to Captain Wynne, it was designated the "Wynne Station". On September 27, 1882, the Wynne Station Post Office was opened.

When the east-west railroad line was completed, it crossed the north-south line near the boxcar, and the name "Wynne Junction" became well-known in the area. On May 28, 1888, the "Junction" part of the name was dropped, and the town of Wynne was formed.

By the 1890s, the railroad traffic and the resulting activity in Wynne made it a more vibrant town than the town of Vanndale, Ark., which had been the county seat since 1886. In 1903, the county seat of Cross County was moved to Wynne.

With the advent of the U.S. Highway System in the 1920s and 30s, U.S. Route 64 was built west from Memphis, through Wynne, and to points west. Also, the north-south Arkansas Highway 1 was built through Wynne, making it an important highway crossroads for several decades, in addition to being a railroad town. Since the advent of the Interstate Highway System, Interstate 40 has largely diverted long-distance travel away from Wynne, making it a quite sleepy country town.

The median income for a household in the city was \$30,125, and the median income for a family was \$35,714. Males had a median income of \$30,506 versus \$20,567 for females. The per capita income for the city was \$15,800. About 17.9% of families and 21.4% of the population were below the poverty line, including 30.7% of those under age 18 and 17.6% of those age 65 or over.

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USING THE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

This master plan encompasses three key components: Understand the past, assess the present and envision the future. Within each concept the land, facilities and built environment are addressed while considering operations and maintenance components.

As its primary focus the Parks and Recreation Master Plan assess the current needs and provides recommendations current park improvements and facilities to provide a variety of life-enriching opportunities that will meet the diverse needs of the community. The recommendations key on Wynne's Railroad History while implementing strategies to revitalize its Downtown including connections to current Parks, Neighborhoods and School Facilities. With an emphasis on improving our parks and recreation infrastructure and connectivity the community's investment shall promote a healthy, balanced community lifestyle.

This document will summarize existing conditions, present prioritized recommendations and provide logical courses of action. As a result, additional changes to the City's philosophies and additional commitments of resources are probable; however, significant determinations may require additional research, user survey data and focus group participation to adequately define the final and most appropriate courses of action.

The City of Wynne currently has approximately 105 acres of park land (approximately 60 acres developed for use). The National Park and Recreation Association and National Park Service recognize a standard of 10-20 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents. The City of Wynne currently provides approximately 10 acres per 1000 residents. Considering the current need for improving the present park lands the recommendations contained within the master plan will not address acquisition of additional park land, but should become a strategic plan for the Parks and Recreation Commission.

This plan is a guiding document, intended to assess the current status of our parks and recreation and provide strategic analysis of opportunities and future needs. This plan will identify goals and lay the groundwork for implementation of projects and programs designed to meet the community's parks and recreation needs.

This Plan will be used by:

City Council

- Direct priorities for parks and recreation services
- Guide planning for growth
- General plan policy guiding land use
- Understand public's issues and desires

City Staff

- Guide daily decisions based on adopted policy
- Plan workload and resource needs
- Promote benefits of parks and recreation
- Plan for ways to fill service gaps
- Current park/facility inventory
- Baseline to measure success

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Public

- Learn about parks and recreation facilities
- Understand benefits of services
- Learn about park development process
- Understand City decisions

Parks and Recreation Commission

- Tool to promote parks and recreation in the City
- Advocate for priorities
- As a policy framework for committee priorities

Stakeholders

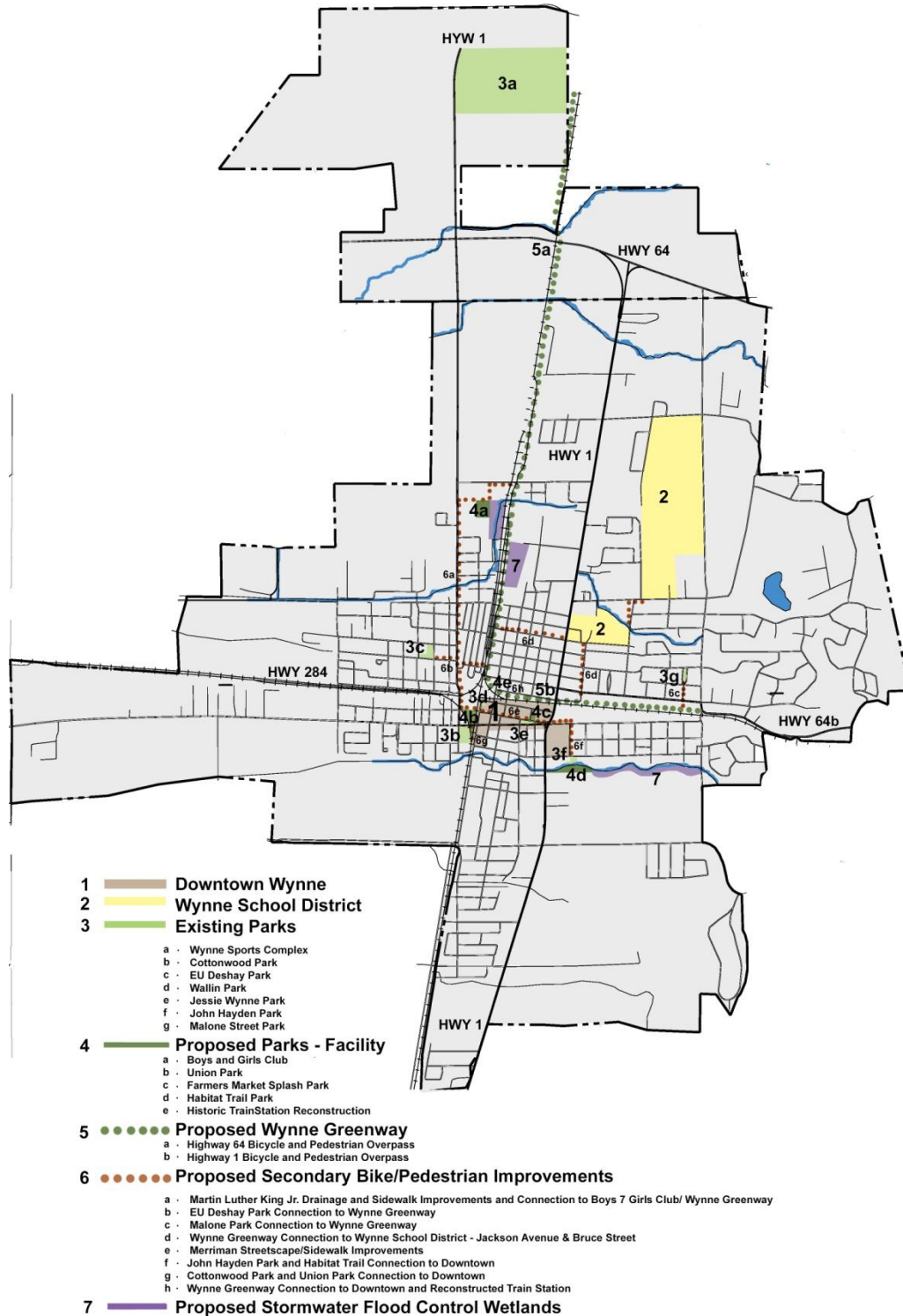
- Meet identified gaps in facilities and programs
- Have a policy, framework for partnerships
- Compare services to avoid duplication

The City of Wynne Parks and Recreation Master Plan shall incorporate following principles in all development and improvements :

- Provides programmed and non-programmed recreational opportunities
- Is instrumental and effective in preserving water quality throughout Wynne
- Is instrumental and effective in preserving and protecting natural resources, including both flora and fauna of Crowley's Ridge
- Aids in maintaining the area's rural character by lessening the visual and physical impact of development
- Provides the ability to reclaim, enhance and manage open space and parklands to better and more effectively achieve all of the above
- Ensures proximity and adjacency to residential, institutional, public and civic facilities
- Accommodates critical predestiran-oriented community linkages by using a hierarchy of interconnected systems to facilitate both internal community and external regional pedestrian accessibility
- Incorporate Community Art by:
 - Celebrate the history and cultural diversity of the community
 - Increasing community pride and prestige; educating residents about history of the City; providing economic development and revitalization opportunities; and creating an appealing cultural environment
- Preserve Historical Culture by:
 - Preserve significant parts of our culture and heritage for future generations
 - Provide architectural standards for Historic Commercial and Warehouse District of our downtown
- Instrumental in storm water management practices and stream corridor protection
 - Encourage riparian and wetland creation (natural habitat) along stream corridors for flood control measures and discourage engineered retention basins
- Green initiatives – Sustainability
 - Use the United States Green Building Council's LEED Standards as a model for green strategies

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Parks and Recreation Master Plan



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PARKS AND RECREATION RECOMMENDATIONS

SPORTS COMPLEX

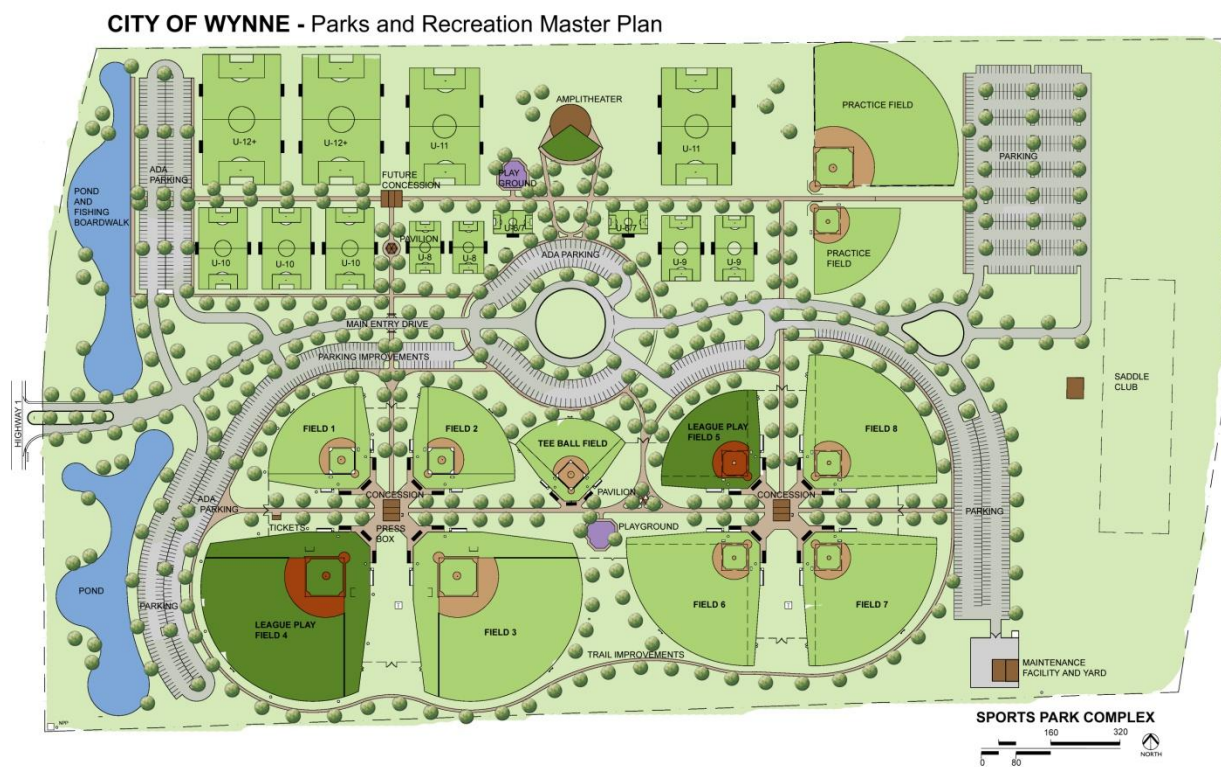
- 1) Existing Park Inventory:
 - a. (8) – Ball Fields
 - b. (1) – T-Ball Field
 - c. (2) – Concessions
- 2) Sports Commission Recommendations:
 - a. To remain as a division beneath the Parks and Recreation Commission
- 3) Sports Park Improvements (**listed in order of priority*)
 - a. Accessible Parking and Walks to all fields
 - b. Lighting to 2 – League Fields
 - c. Parking Improvements for League Fields and Electrical Infrastructure
 - i. Curb and gutter, asphalt;
 - ii. Electrical infrastructure for future phases
 - d. General Field Improvements
 - i. Replace dirt infields with sports clay surfacing;
 - ii. Dugout and press box improvements;
 - iii. Site Drainage Improvements;
 - iv. Concessions, Pavilions, Water Fountains, Picnic Tables, Benches, Scoreboard, Bleachers ect.
 - e. Soccer Field Development and Practice Field Development
 - i. Develop ponds for fill soil
 - ii. Grading and Drainage Infrastructure
 - f. Parking, Walks and Trails to access Soccer Fields
 - i. Apply for ¼ mile trail each year through grants, phase the entire walking system.
 - ii. Provide Parking Improvements for Soccer Fields.
 - g. Lighting for Remaining Baseball and Soccer Fields
 - h. Amphitheater
 - i. May be phased in earlier with grant funds.
 - i. Overflow Parking Improvements to Northeast property
- 4) Cost Estimate
 - a. PHASE ONE: \$675,000.00
 - i. Parking Improvements, accessible walks and lighting improvements for 2 League Fields.
 - b. PHASE TWO: \$675,000.00
 - i. Electrical Infrastructure, General Field Improvements;
 - ii. Soccer Field Development and Practice Field Development and Concessions;
 - iii. Parking, Walks and Trails to access all Fields.

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SPORTS COMPLEX – con't

- c. PHASE THREE: \$675,000.00
 - i. Lighting Improvements 2 additional Baseball/Softball Fields;
 - ii. Lighting Improvements ½ Soccer Fields;
 - iii. Amphitheater Improvements.
- d. PHASE FOUR: \$675,000.00
 - i. Lighting Improvements 2 additional Baseball/Softball Fields;
 - ii. Lighting Improvements to ½ Soccer and Practice Fields
 - iii. General Site Improvements.

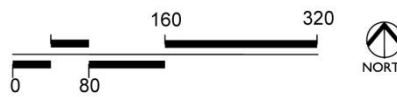
Sports Complex Site Plan Improvements: (**see enlargement*)



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SPORTS PARK COMPLEX



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COTTONWOOD PARK

5) Existing Park Inventory:

- a. (4) – Picnic Tables
- b. (4) – 6' Benches with back (new)
- c. (2) – 6' Benches with back (old)
- d. (3) – Swingsets (6 seats)
- e. (1) – Seesaw (2 seats)
- f. (1) – mary-go-round

6) Proposed Park Improvements: *see graphic page 3

- a. Accessible Parking
 - 6 spaces with (1) universal space, wheel stops
 - accessible parking sign
- b. Accessible walk/trail
 - 1100 linear feet @ 6' wide
- c. Playground Equipment Area
 - 6250 square feet of area with 12" fiber
 - 300 linear feet of concrete curb
 - Custom designed play equipment meeting ADA and Safety guidelines
- d. Pavilion and Restrooms
 - 600 square foot pavilion structure
 - 350 square foot restroom facility (*optional future)
- e. Site Furnishings and Landscape
 - 4 – picnic tables (existing)
 - 4 – benches (existing)
 - 1 – new accessible picnic table beneath pavilion
 - 2 – trash cans (City Standard)
 - Grading and Drainage
 - 12- new trees, Bermuda grass seed

7) Cost Estimate - \$175,000.00

- a. PHASE ONE: \$125,000.00
 - i. Accessible Parking and walk;
 - ii. Playground curb and Equipment;
 - iii. Re-locate existing site furnishings.
 - iv. Grading and Drainage + landscape improvements.

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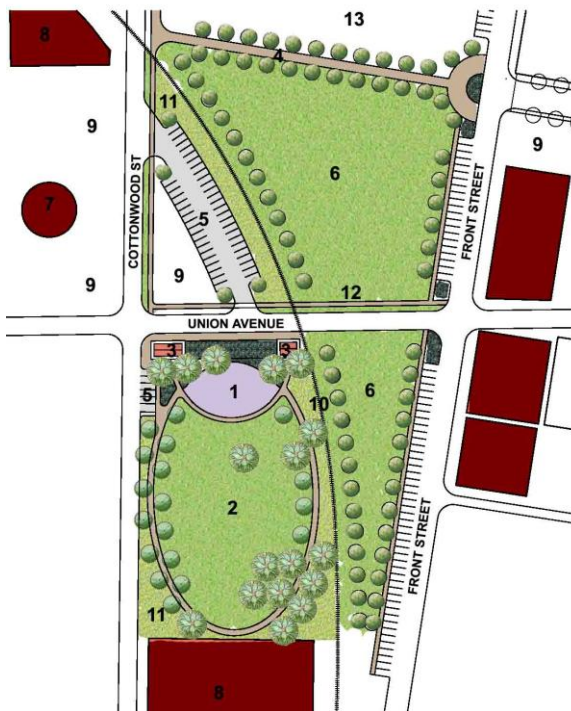
b. PHASE TWO: \$50,000.00

PARKS AND RECREATION RECOMMENDATIONS – Con't

UNION PARK – Proposed

- 1) Negotiated Property Acquisition (3 ± acres) from Union Pacific Railroad
- 2) Potential Brownfield Redevelopment Funding available through the EPA
- 3) Cost Estimate TBD

Cottonwood and Union Park Site Plan Improvements:



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|---|---|----|---|
| 1 | Playground Equipment and Safety Surfacing | 8 | Existing Warehouse |
| 2 | COTTONWOOD PARK | 9 | Potential Office/Commercial Development |
| 3 | Open Air Pavilion Structure | 10 | Existing Railroad |
| 4 | Pedestrian and Bicycle Access from Cottonwood to Downtown/Merriman Ave. | 11 | Native Grass Planting in ROW |
| 5 | Proposed Parking for Park Improvements | 12 | Sidewalk Improvements along Union Ave. |
| 6 | Union Park Improvements | | *Potential Event Stage Area |
| 7 | Existing Water Tower | 13 | Union Pacific Railroad Staging Area |

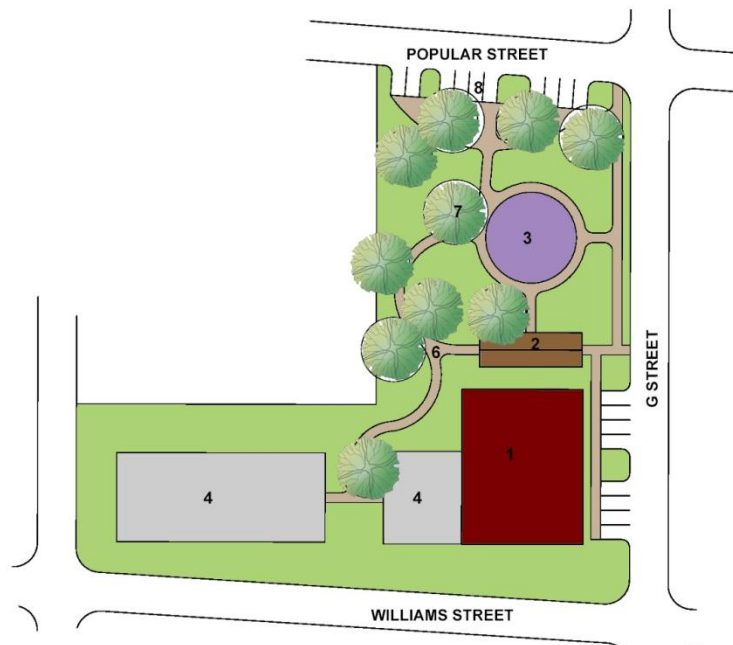
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PARKS AND RECREATION RECOMMENDATIONS – Con't

EU DESHAY PARK

1. Existing Park Inventory
2. Proposed Park Improvements
 - a. New Playscape Equipment with curb and safety surfacing;
 - b. New Pavilion (1250 sf) with tables and grills;
 - c. Site Furnishing re-location;
 - d. Sidewalk Improvements with Accessibility to all new components.
3. Cost Estimate: \$125,000.00
4. PHASE ONE: \$75,000.00
 - a. Playscape Equipment, safety surfacing, curbing and accessibility

EU Deshay Park Site Plan Improvements:



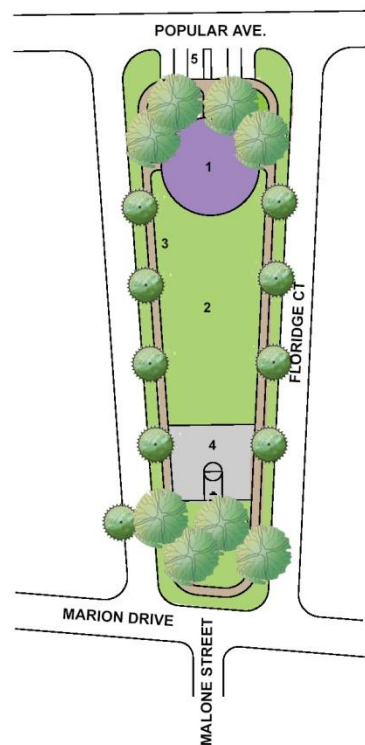
- 1 – Existing Building – Gym
- 2 – Proposed 1250 sf Pavilion
- 3 – Proposed Playground Upgrades
- 4 – Existing Outdoor Basketball Courts
- 5 - Existing Accessible Parking
- 6 – Accessible Sidewalk Improvements
- 7 – Existing Trees

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MALONE STREET PARK

1. Existing Park Inventory
 - a. (2) – 6' benches w/ back (new)
 - b. (4) – 6' wooden benches w/ back (old)
 - c. (4) – New Swing Set
 - d. (1) – Old Slide
 - e. (1) – Merry-go-round
 - f. (3) – Swings (old)
 - g. (3) – Swings (old)
 - h. (4) – wooden tables (old)
 - i. (2) – tables (new)
 - j. (1) – metal bench
 - k. (2) – trash cans
 - l. (2) – spring loaded play
2. Proposed Park Improvements
 - a. New Playscape Equipment with curb and safety surfacing;
 - b. Accessible Parking and Sidewalk/Trail
 - c. Site Furnishing re-location;
 - d. Half Court Basketball Court;
 - e. Grading and Drainage;
 - f. Tree Planting and associated landscaping
3. Cost Estimate: \$125,000.00

Malone Street Park Site Plan Improvements:



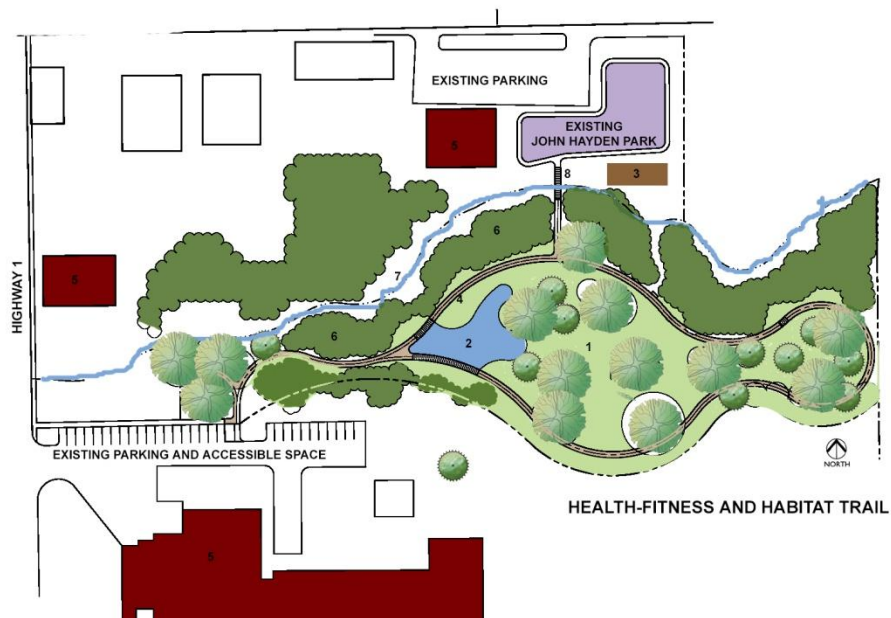
- 1 – Playground Equipment Upgrades, Safety Surface, Curb
- 2 – Open Play Field
- 3 – Accessible Walking Trail
- 4 – Half Court Basketball Court
- 5 – Accessible Parking

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JOHN HAYDEN PARK – HABITAT TRAIL

1. Existing Park Inventory
 - a. 2-5 year and 5-12 playscape equipment;
 - b. 2-5 and 5-12 year swings;
 - c. Picnic tables, benches and trash cans.
2. Proposed Park Improvements
 - a. Accessibility Improvements;
 - b. 600 square foot pavilion;
 - c. Restroom Facility;
 - d. ¼ mile walking/fitness trail with bridge across creek.
3. Cost Estimate: \$137,000.00
 - a. Grant received for ¼ mile walking/fitness trail with bridge - \$69,500.00
 - b. PHASE ONE
 - i. Pavilion
 - ii. Restroom Facility – Apply for Arkansas State Parks Grant

John Hayden Park – Habitat Trail Site Plan Improvements:

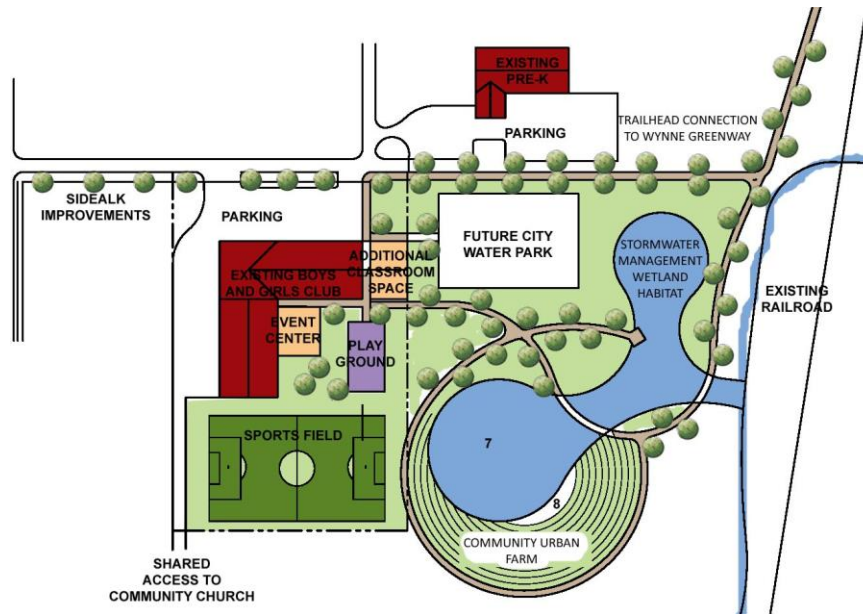


- 1 – Habitat – Fitness Trail
- 2 – Wetland-Riparian Restoration
- 3 – Proposed Pavilion at John Hayden Park
- 4 – Trail with Boardwalk sections
- 5 – Existing Buildings
- 6 – Existing Trees

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Boys and Girls Club

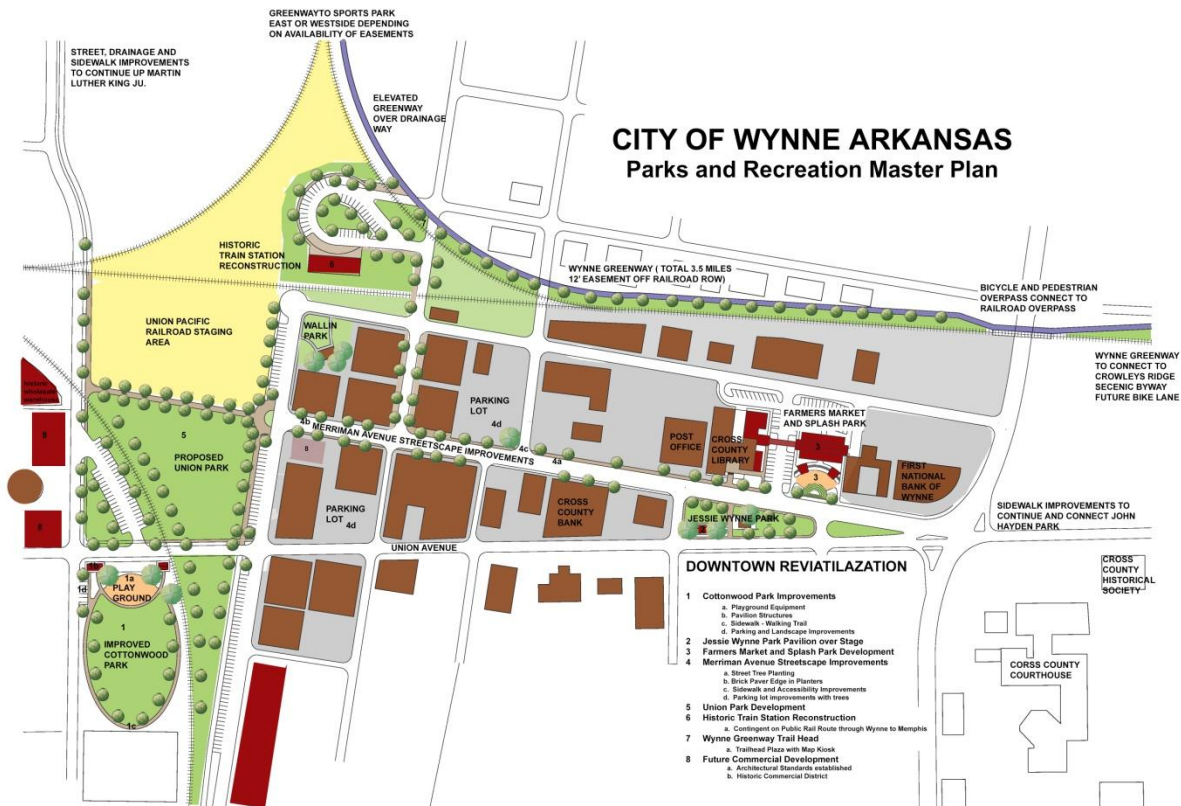
1. Proposed Recommendations
 - a. Become a center owned and operated by the City of Wynne (Parks and Recreation Department);
 - b. Board to remain as a division under the Parks and Recreation Commission;
 - c. Recommended Improvements once facility is debt free:
 - i. Additional classroom 1200 square feet
 - ii. Multi-Purpose room 2350 square feet
 - iii. Sportsfield
 - iv. Playground
 - v. Possible purchase of the adjoining property for :
 1. Stormwater Management Habitat
 2. Community Sustainable Agriculture
 3. City of Wynne Water Park
 4. Fitness and Ecology Trail
 5. Trailhead to Wynne Greenway
 6. Sidewalk Improvements



Future Site Plan Improvements

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DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION RECOMMENDATIONS – (*see foldout for overall enlargement)



FARMERS MARKET AND CHILDREN'S SPLASH PARK

PROPERTY OWNERSHIP: First National Bank of Wynne - Cross County

- 1) Master Plan area in conjunction with Cross County Library Expansion
- 2) Farmers Market Pavilion
 - Pavilion to have a multi-function use
- 3) Children's Splash Park
 - Provide zero depth splash park
 - Shaded Seating area
 - Landscape buffer separation from Merriman Street
- 4) Parking
 - Shared parking behind pavilion with First National Bank of Wynne
 - Utilize existing street to provide 2 bays of parking shared with the Cross County Library
- 5) Accessibility
 - Improve sidewalks and curb ramps including access throughout developed area
 - Provide accessible parking to all facilities

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Parks and Recreation Master Plan

The plan includes several key locations:

- HISTORIC TRAIN STATION RECONSTRUCTION
- UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD STAGING AREA
- WALLIN PARK
- MERRIMAN AVENUE STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS
- PARKING LOT 4d
- POST OFFICE
- CROSS COUNTY LIBRARY
- FARMERS MARKET AND SPLASH PARK
- JESSIE WYNNER PARK
- CROSS COUNTY BANK
- FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WYNNE
- SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS TO CONTINUE AND CONNECT JOHN HAYDEN PARK

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

- 1 Cottonwood Park Improvements
 - a. Playground Equipment
 - b. Pavilion Structures
 - c. Sidewalk - Walking Trail
 - d. Parking and Landscape Improvements
- 2 Jessie Wynne Park Pavilion over Stage
- 3 Farmers Market and Splash Park Development
- 4 Merriman Avenue Streetscape Improvements
 - a. Street Tree Planting
 - b. Brick Paver Edge in Planters
 - c. Sidewalk and Accessibility Improvements
 - d. Parking lot improvements with trees
- 5 Union Park Development
- 6 Historic Train Station Reconstruction
 - a. Contingent on Public Rail Route through Wynne to Memphis
- 7 Wynne Greenway Trail Head
 - a. Trailhead Plaza with Map Kiosk
- 8 Future Commercial Development
 - a. Architectural Standards established
 - b. Historic Commercial District

Additional notes from the map:
- GREENWAY TO SPORTS PARK EAST OR WESTSIDE DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF EASEMENTS
- ELEVATED GREENWAY OVER DRAINAGE WAY
- BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS CONNECT TO RAILROAD OVERPASS
- WYNNE GREENWAY (TOTAL 3.5 MILES) 12' EASEMENT OFF RAILROAD ROW
- WYNNE GREENWAY TO CONNECT TO CROWLEYS RIDGE SCENIC BYWAY FUTURE BIKE LANE
- CROSS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
- CORSS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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SITE PLAN IMPROVEMENTS:



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| 1 Proposed Farmers Market Pavilion | 8 Existing Cross County Library |
| 2 Children's Splash Park | 9 Existing Post Office |
| 3 Shade Structure | 10 Existing First National Bank of Wynne |
| 4 Pavilion over existing stage at Jessie Wynne Park | 11 Existing History Kiosk |
| 5 Library Expansion | 12 Existing Berm Seating |
| 6 Parking | 14 Existing FNBW Parking |
| 7 Children's reading plaza | 13 Pavilion Access |



SKETCH LOOKING NORTHWEST

COST ESTIMATE:

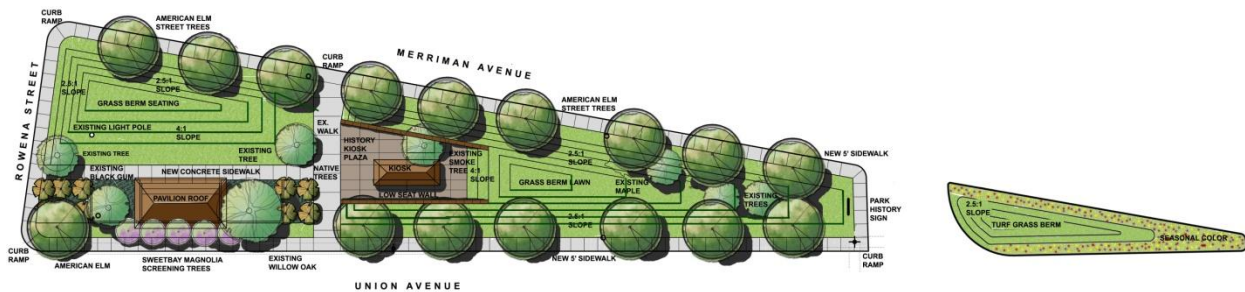
\$35,000 - Pavilion for Stage - **Existing Jessie Wynne Park Completed in 2008 (see graphic next page)*
 \$750,000 – Farmers Market and Splash Park

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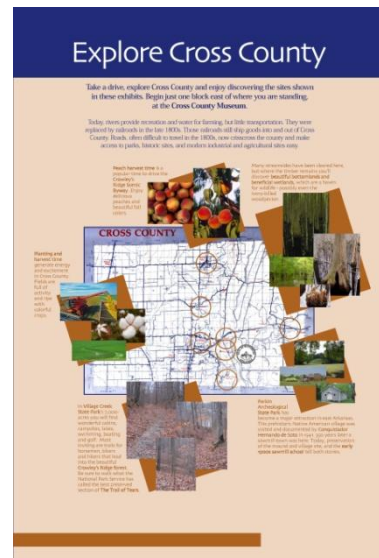
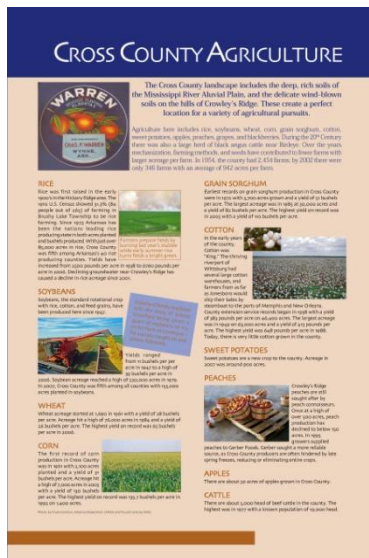
DOWNTOWN REVITALAZATION RECOMMENDATIONS – Con't

JESSIE WYNNE PARK SITE PLAN IMPROVEMENTS: *completed in 2008*

1. Completed through Arkansas Highway Transportation Department Grant
 - a. \$50,000.00 provided by Downtown Revitalization Committee (City of Wynne)
 - b. \$200,000 provided by Arkansas Highway Department
2. Provides Kiosk with original train station design displaying the History of Wynne
3. Provides an outdoor room for the Library and City of Wynne
 - a. Small stage allows for small event gatherings and bands
 - i. Space is ideal for programming children's events
 - b. Plaza space allows for display space and tables
 - c. Sitting areas for reading, eating lunch, people watching



- Future Recommendations:
 - Pavilion for existing concrete stage (*see previous page)
 - Remove Overhead Utility (place underground or move to South Union)



3 of 6 History Panels Currently on Kiosk

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MERRIMAN AVENUE STREETSCAPING:

PROPERTY OWNERSHIP: City of Wynne Street and ROW

1. Develop Downtown Architectural Standards for future development and renovations and all site furnishings.
 - a. Comply with Historic Commercial District Designation
 - b. Join Main Street Program
2. Sidewalk Improvements
 - a. Accessibility at Intersections
 - b. Sidewalk Replacement and Repair
3. Streetscaping Improvements
 - a. Street Tree Planting and Planter improvements with brick edge
4. Parking Improvements
 - a. Vacant adjacent parking lots to be addressed with Trees and screening
5. Cost Estimate - \$500,000

SKETCH: East Merriman Streetscape



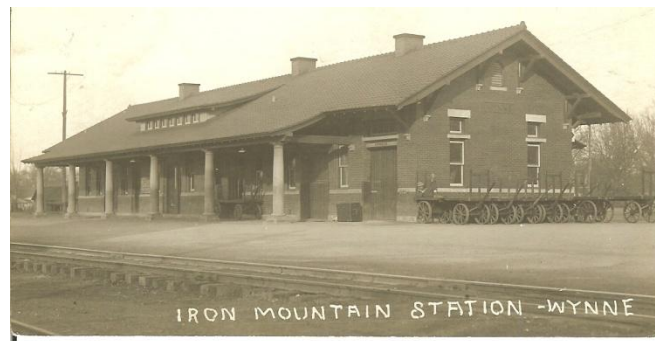
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DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION RECOMMENDATIONS – con't IRON MOUNTAIN TRAIN DEPOT RECONSTRUCTION

PROPERTY OWNERSHIP: City of Wynne/Union Pacific Railroad

1. Reconstruction of Historic Train Depot (Iron Mountain Station)
 - a. Contingent on Public Rail Line between Little Rock and Memphis
 - b. Hub for bicycle and pedestrian City Trails (*Wynne Greenway* *see section 4)
2. Parking and Access Improvements
3. City of Wynne should actively pursue involvement of the National Public Rail System to pass through Wynne using Union Pacific's East West line.
 - a. Public Rail is the single most important future economic development catalyst the City has regarding its History.
4. Cost Estimate TBD

EAST WEST LINE: Station Sketch



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WYNNE GREENWAY – Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Improvements

1. 3.5 Mile Bicycle-Pedestrian Greenway
 - a. Connecting
 - i. Sports Complex
 - ii. Boys and Girls Club
 - iii. Downtown Wynne
 1. Cottonwood Park
 2. Cross County Library
 3. Jessie Wynne Park
 4. Jessie Wallin park
 - iv. Community Neighborhoods
 - v. HWY 64B (Crowley's Ridge Scenic Byway)
 1. Potential connection to future Mississippi River Trail utilizing a biking lane along the Scenic Byway
2. Overpass (Hwy 1 and hwy 64)
 - a. Hwy 1 overpass to parallel the Union Pacific Railroad overpass
 - i. Negotiate use of Railroad ROW for trail overpass
 - b. Hwy 64 overpass to parallel the Union Pacific crossing at 64.
 - i. Utilize Highway Transportation Enhancement Grant Possibilities
3. East West Route (Downtown to Hwy 64 B) 4,750 linear feet (.9 miles)
 - a. Utilize 12.5' City Easement parallel to Union Pacific ROW
 - b. 125 linear foot overpass bridge
 - c. Possible use of Cogbill Ave. ROW west of Hwy 1 is sufficient easement is not available along Railroad ROW
 - d. Trailhead at Hwy 64 B Intersection
 - e. Trailhead at Downtown Wynne
4. North South Route (Downtown to Sports Complex) 13,500 linear feet (2.6 miles)
 - a. Negotiate use of Railroad ROW for trail overpass at Hwy 64
 - b. Land acquisition, easements and ROW negotiations with property owners along railroad ROW
 - c. Trailhead at Boys and Girls Club
 - d. Trailhead at Sports Complex
5. Phasing and Cost Estimate
 - a. PHASE ONE – Downtown Wynne to John Brown Road (Boys and Girls Club)
 - i. 1 mile (5,280 linear feet)
 - ii. Trailhead at John Brown Road and Downtown Wynne
 - b. Cost Estimate: \$675,000.00
 - i. Easement, ROW, Property acquisitions: \$ 75,000.00
 - ii. Trail, stream bridges ect.: \$425,000.00
 - iii. Trailheads (2): \$100,000.00
 - iv. Misc. Items: \$ 75,000.00

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- c. PHASE TWO - Downtown Wynne to Hwy 64 B
 - i. .9 miles (4,750 linear feet)
 - ii. Hwy 1 Overpass
 - iii. Trailhead at 64 B
- d. Cost Estimate: \$630,000.00
 - i. Trail \$380,000.00
 - ii. Hwy 1 Overpass \$125,000.00
 - iii. Trailhead (1) \$ 50,000.00
 - iv. Misc. Items: \$ 75,000.00
- e. PHASE THREE – John Brown Road to Sports Complex
 - i. 1.6 miles (8,448 linear feet)
 - ii. Hwy 64 Overpass
 - iii. Trailhead at Sports Complex
- f. Cost Estimate: 1.35 million
 - i. Easement, ROW, Property acquisitions: \$100,000.00
 - ii. Trail \$675,500.00
 - iii. Hwy 64 Overpass \$375,000.00
 - iv. Trailhead \$ 50,000.00
 - v. Misc. Items: \$150,000.00

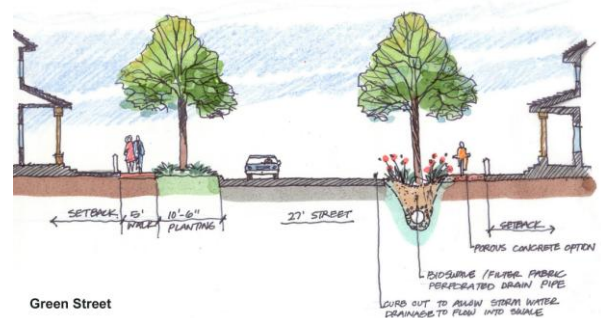
WYNNE GREENWAY – Secondary Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements

1. Wynne School District Connection to Wynne Greenway
 - a. Jackson Avenue and Bruce Street Connection to Wynne Greenway
 - i. Within existing ROW – 5' landscape area with trees 8' concrete trail (typical)
2. EU Deshay Park Connection to Wynne Greenway
3. Malone Park Connection to Wynne Greenway
4. Cottonwood Park Connection to Downtown
5. John Hayden park and Habitat Trail Connection to Downtown
6. Malone park Connection to Wynne Greenway
7. Wynne Greenway Connection to Downtown
8. Curb and Gutter + Sidewalks: Rowena, Levesque, Poplar, Merriman Ave, Languille, W. Popular
9. Replace: Childress Drive + Sidewalks
10. Cost Estimate: TBD *varies*

Sketch – Wynne Greenway Trailhead (at 64B)



Section – Secondary Pedestrian/Bike Improvements



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PHASING AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Recommend ½ cent sales tax to generate Capital Improvement Funds to Implement the Proposed Improvements contained within the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and as amended in the future.
 - a. Estimated generated yearly funds: \$750,000.00
 - b. ¼ cent sales tax will generate approximately \$375,000.00/year.
2. Apply for matching funds through grants:
 - a. A goal should be to match \$250,000/year in grants
 - b. Potential Matching Grants:
 - i. Arkansas State Parks <http://www.outdoorgrants.com/>
 1. Matching Grant
 2. Trails For Life
 - ii. Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department <http://www.arkansashighways.com/>
 1. Transportation Enhancement Grant
 2. Safe Routes to School
3. Recommended Phasing Year 1-5 (*assuming total generated funds of \$625,000.00/year including grants)
 - a. 5 YEAR PLAN (\$3,125,000.00)
 1. Parks and Recreation Staff/Equipment/Maintenance/Boys and Girls Building Debt: \$250,000/year \$1,250,000.00
 2. YEAR ONE-FIVE PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS:

a. Phase One Sports Complex	\$675,000.00
b. Phase One Cottonwood Park	\$125,000.00
c. Phase One EU Deshay Park	\$ 75,000.00
d. Malone Street Park	\$125,000.00
e. Phase Two Sports Complex (partial)	\$225,000.00
f. Farmer's Market and Splash Park	\$750,000.00
g. Existing Funds	(\$100,000.00)
 3. YEAR FIVE-TEN PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

a. Phase Two EU Deshay Park	\$ 50,000.00
b. Phase Two Cottonwood Park	\$ 50,000.00
c. Phase One Wynne Greenway	\$675,000.00
d. Phase Two/ Three Sports Complex	\$715,000.00
e. Secondary Pedestrian/Bicycle Improv.	\$150,000.00
f. Boys and Girls Club Facility Improv.	\$200,000.00
g. Jessie Wynne Park (Pavilion for Stage)	\$ 35,000.00
 4. YEAR TEN-FIFTEEN PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

a. Phase Two Wynne Greenway	\$630,000.00
b. Phase Three/Four Sports Complex	\$675,000.00
c. Boys and Girls Club Facility Improv.	\$270,000.00

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- d. Secondary Pedestrian/Bicycle Improv. \$150,000.00
- e. Merriman Street Improvements \$150,000.00

5. YEAR FIFTEEN-TWENTY PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

- a. Phase Three Wynne Greenway \$1,350,000.00
- b. Phase Four Sports Complex \$ 410,000.00
- c. Merriman Street Improvements \$ 115,000.00

6. YEAR TWENTY +

- a. Union Park
- b. Iron Mountain Train Station
- c. Continue Street Drainage, Sidewalks/Bicycle Improvements
- d. Future Park Expansion (expanding away from the CORE of the City)
- e. Stormwater Wetland Expansion
- f. Boys and Girls Club Expansion/Development

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

It is advised that each commission member has a working role and experience in some facet regarding the implementation of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Similar professional experience may be as follows:

- Administration
- Accounting and Finance
- Landscape Architecture, Architecture, Land Planning
- Legal – Property transactions
- Grant Writing
- Public Service – State Lobbyist
- Construction, Engineering
- Sports Facilities Management and Maintenance
- Facility Management

RECOMMENDED STRUCTURE OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

