

# Consent Agenda

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**PENINSULA TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMITTEE**

**June 28, 2023**

**Regular Committee Meeting  
MINUTES  
7:00 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order by Zebell at 7:00 p.m.**
2. **Pledge**
3. **Roll Call: Dahl, Milliken, Zebell, Murphy, Chown-Township Clerk. Excused absence-Butler, Skurski.**
4. **Approve Agenda: Milliken moved to approve the agenda with a second by Chown.**  
**Approved by Consensus**
5. **Brief Citizens Comments (for agenda items only)**  
Don Conway
6. **Conflict of Interest** None
7. **Consent Agenda:** any member of the committee, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the consent agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion.
  - A. Minutes from April 26, 2023 and May 24, 2023.
  - B. Correspondence
    1. Correspondence from Brent Wheat "Beach Monitoring Results"-June 15, 2023
    2. Correspondence from Keith Konen "Kelly Park" – June 16, 2023
    3. Correspondence from Fred Danielson "Parks Ordinance 57 Campfires" – June 9, 2023

Chown moved to approve the consent agenda with the amended minutes from May 24, 2023 with a second by Milliken.  
**Approved by Consensus**
8. **Business**
  - A. Basketball, Tennis, Pickleball Court Update-Chown/Zebell  
**Kent Rabish 13383 Bluff Road**-the timeline for the building of the pickleball courts is next week the grading and surfacing will be completed. On July 10, 2023, the fence company is coming out to begin their work. The pickleball court surface then needs one month to cure. After that the nets, striping, and basic structure should be completed. The hope is by the end of August or beginning of September, we can be playing. With just 6 courts, we are investigating some type of reservation system. There also needs to be signage as to what the court rules are. One question is regarding the existing tennis courts and their resurfacing. Is there still money in the budget for this?

**Chown**-yes, this will be happening at the same time the pickleball courts are being re-surfaced. This gives us the opportunity to save some money as Elmer's will be doing both the tennis and pickleball courts. It is about \$30,000 to do the tennis courts. Last week, Mike Query, a local township resident, who has secured the goal posts and nets from Spaulding Sports at cost, told us the engineers at Spaulding did not approve of a basketball court sharing space with a pickleball or tennis court. Brian Peace from Elmer's saved the day by grading another suitable, separate location for the basketball court at an incredibly low price. We have postponed the celebration to July and see something in September where we can all celebrate the Estee Lauder make-over of Bowers Harbor. We would love your help in planning this celebration.

**Rabish**-we have an email list with 104 members, and we can send out a notice of the date and a request for help in planning this event. We have 4 portable nets, and we are wondering if one of the tennis courts could be stripped for pickleball? The new pickleball courts have permanent nets.

**Chown:** I have had some tennis players tell me they are glad to have dedicated courts back, so this needs to be explored.

**Jane Conway 14542 Mapleton Lane**-about a year and a half ago, we were asking for 8 pickleball courts, and it came to fruition that there was only room for 6. It was discussed at several parks committee meetings about having one of the tennis courts lined for pickleball overflow. I went online and could only access parks minutes through last July; it would have been a discussion before last July 2022.

**Chown**-I would like a tour of the pickleball and tennis courts as I do not know which lines are which, so maybe you could give me a tour?

**Conway**- yes, I am available to give you a tour anytime.

**Murphy**- this is a public park and to have an online reservation system for your group may present a conflict with people just showing up and saying, "why can't we play". If you are setting up reserve hours, then how many hours are available for walk-on players?

**Rabish**- our group plays two days and a morning; we are not looking to make this into a private court. The goal is to have 2 of the courts be walk-ons at all times. Sutton's Bay courts have an app to reserve play, and this seems to be working well for them. We do understand this is a public space.

**Murphy**-this group is working to brand and update the park signage. We need to stay within the township signage ordinance that is separate from the park's ordinance; we want to make all of this mesh.

**Rabish**-we could use the same company, so the signage is all the same.

**Chown**-yes, we need to see the proof of your signage for approval.

**Peg Rabish 13383 Bluff Road**-we want to have a sign somewhere recognizing the donations and support that we received from this community.

**Chown**-yes, we can work that out. It would be good if you could get us the signage information before the July parks meeting, so this can be worked out ahead of time.

#### B. Bowers Harbor Park Celebration Postponement-Zebell

**Zebell**- we have already discussed why the celebration is being postponed. I want to be clear about the purpose of this celebration and how best to create intentional engagement from individuals who want to help make this happen.

**Chown**- we have had deferred needs in our parks for a very long time and this will continue unless we can create interest and ownership of the parks by the community. This is a golden

opportunity. If we can get several people from the town board, the pickleball group, tennis player, and others who have a reason to love that park and come out and advocate for it. In 2017 a concept plan for Bowers Harbor Expansion Park was approved and not a single forward step has been taken to implement that concept plan. We could have a tour as part of the celebration of this area to raise awareness of what is possible. I see this as a way to mobilize community support of this incredible park. The purpose is to mobilize interest and support and then the question becomes is this a fundraiser or not?

**Bill Catinella 2600 Bowers Harbor**-my wife walks the park, and we take our grandchildren to the park. The new playground equipment is wonderful. Yes, we do meet other grandparents there and we strike up conversations. The reason people think you voted down the dog park idea is because you did not tell anybody what happened, and I do not know if you have a way of telling people. There is the online thing called "Next Door." That is where I heard the dog park had been denied. Zebell- the dog park was not denied. The group that came and gave an excellent presentation has not responded to any of my follow-up emails or phone calls.

**Chown**-I am averse to social media for plenty of reasons. Conversations can get out of control rather quickly. However, the lighthouse manager uses social media quite effectively.

**Murphy**-the lighthouse manager is a paid full-time employee with benefits. Until we have more township staff working specifically on creating a volunteer parks network and handling social media, the capacity is not there. This township deserves staff for the parks. Until we have a new form of government that permits us to have a parks manager that works with other township staff and creates things like a celebration, it is taking on too much right now. This is my opinion. A ribbon cutting celebration is enough.

**Dahl**- I think you need a project manager that works with all the parks. Right now, if there is problem in one of the parks, who does a person call? We do not have enough help to do this.

**Zebell**-I am so torn because I see the value of this and when I emailed Becky (Chown) and what we are doing fits my value system and what I want to do to contribute. I have the ability to organize this, but what I can't do is be the only person who is on the ground. So we have Mike Query for basketball and he thinks there is interest from the Y members to help. He can also get someone to give a tennis demonstration. We could also get help from the pickleball players.

**Milliken**-I think having a fundraiser turns this more into an event rather than a celebration. By waiting until September is better, and you can use the school, library, churches, and the township website to let people know this is happening.

The committee agreed to hold another meeting of the park's celebration sub-committee. If enough people show up and are willing to commit to a particular aspect of the celebration, the celebration will occur. There was acknowledgement people are busy in these summer months, including volunteer members of the parks committee.

#### D. Signage, QR codes-Zebell/Chown

Chown- the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy can help us with signage. They have staff doing signage for other properties, not just their own parks. We could ask them for help and a

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E. Volunteers/Park Task Distribution-Skurski

**9. Citizen Comments**

**10. Committee Comments**

**11. Adjournment**

On Jul 18, 2023, at 9:52 AM, Murielle Garbarino <[mgarbarino@gtcd.org](mailto:mgarbarino@gtcd.org)> wrote:

Hi Michael and Mary Beth,

ISN's treatment crew is planning on doing invasive bittersweet treatments at Archie Park on Thursday July 27th. I wanted to check and see if the township would be willing to pay a \$30 cost-share for the work?

Thanks for working with ISN to manage invasive bittersweet on Peninsula Township property!

Best,

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Murielle Garbarino (she/her)  
Habitat Management Specialist  
Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network  
Grand Traverse Conservation District  
1450 Cass Rd. Traverse City, MI 49685  
Office: (231) 941-0960 x29



\*\*\*Please know that my response times may be delayed, as I am out in the field often\*\*\*

On Jul 14, 2023, at 11:09 PM, Dave Murphy <davemurphy6943@gmail.com> wrote:

All,

I'm copying a lot of people on this, keeping it transparent for parks committee members, neighbors of the hemlock wing at PNA, conservancy staff, & Jenn, our planner.

The meeting in the hemlock area today (7-14) was productive. Huge thanks to Steve Lagerquist & Erin Schug of the conservancy for making time for two important issues during the peak of their busy season. We covered the concept plan for sustainable trails in the hemlocks & talked about signage not only at PNA, but how to use that as a template for all of the township parks.

Jeff Graft, Julia Crandall, & Grant Parsons – three of the neighbors – joined us to look at the proposed trail. For whatever our ideas may be about solving problems, there's nothing more important than hearing from the neighbors to make sure we get it right. I'll not get into great detail here, but I appreciated Steve & Erin looking for solutions to address concerns that Jeff & Julia in particular expressed. My first reaction is that whatever the problems are now, I think we're headed in the right direction by compressing the trail away from neighbors & working to preserve the hemlocks. I bonus will be trails that keep people on the same path through all seasons & will be more accessible for special needs whether or not we formalize the trail as UA.

One important problem that was flagged is that an obvious path has been created from the hemlock wing down to East Shore Road (or vice versa) at a point that's long been flagged by the township as a spot where we don't want routine activity hitting the road. It's where the road curves twice, visibility is limited, motorist speeds can be high, and we had a death in that location a couple years ago – a motorist crashing. We obviously don't want a pathway created in that spot.

Erin suggested signage off the road/beneath the hillside that won't invite investigation by passersby, but if people start down the path, they'll be warned to turn back. Same on the hillside. We learned that TC Central's track team is using that pathway now to enter the park from East Shore Road, so I'll contact the coaches at TC Central. Becky – I know you have connections with coaches there, so perhaps you can help me identify who to contact or you could even make the contact? Let's discuss.

Rather than extending an already lengthy email, I suggest this be an agenda item at the next parks meeting to more fully review the concept plan, neighbor feedback, & budget.

Regarding signage, that should be a separate agenda item as well, but quick summary:

The conservancy has a fairly standardized approach with entry area kiosks & will guide us with what will go at the main parking lot, of course customizing it for Peninsula Township Parks. Erin suggested a mini-kiosk at the cul de sac near the hemlock area. I know that Jenn has concerns about signs that might seem to invite users at a spot where we don't have a formal easement. We'll try not to make the signage too blatant from the road, but given the volume of walkers entering the park from that area as their primary access point, it clearly begs some rules, maps, etc.

Erin & Steve see upgrading signage & maps throughout PNA, not just at the main entry points. Erin will draft suggestions for our review. Steve estimates that October will be a time when we can work to put the new signs in place. Jeff Graft & Julia Crandall volunteered assistance with signage in the hemlock wing to keep people off rogue trails.

That's enough for now, but hope these two subjects can fit the next parks' agenda.

Thank you.

Dave

**From:** William Stott <[wstott3193@gmail.com](mailto:wstott3193@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** OMP Mission Point Park Volunteer Work  
**Date:** July 8, 2023 at 9:46:11 AM EDT  
**To:** Mike Skurski <[parksmike49686@gmail.com](mailto:parksmike49686@gmail.com)>  
**Cc:** Bill Ryan <[billrtc@yahoo.com](mailto:billrtc@yahoo.com)>, Paul Tata <[ptmbintc@gmail.com](mailto:ptmbintc@gmail.com)>

Mike, I know you must be very busy so will make this brief. Two things:

- 1) Any update on when the old signage may be removed or can this be done by volunteers using Paul Tata's tractor or similar? Paul (.cc on this note) kindly volunteered last winter to help out doing this job and Bill Ryan (also .cc on this note) and I can help out.
- 2) Presume it is OK to cut back some brush (mostly Sumac) encroaching on several of the trails above the ridge, primarily out of Ridgewood TH? I'm also still planning on spraying Poison Ivy and Autumn Olive on all trails soon as I can get to it.

Best,  
Bill Stott



**From:** Grant Parsons <[parsonsgrantw@gmail.com](mailto:parsonsgrantw@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 15, 2023 9:21 AM  
**To:** MIKE SKURSKI <[parksmike49686@gmail.com](mailto:parksmike49686@gmail.com)>  
**Cc:** Dave Murphy <[davemurphy6943@gmail.com](mailto:davemurphy6943@gmail.com)>; Lola Jackson work <[elections@peninsulatownship.com](mailto:elections@peninsulatownship.com)>; Michele Zebell <[mzebell.parks@gmail.com](mailto:mzebell.parks@gmail.com)>; [clerk@peninsulatownship.com](mailto:clerk@peninsulatownship.com) Becky Chown <[clerk@peninsulatownship.com](mailto:clerk@peninsulatownship.com)>; Mary Beth Milliken <[mbmillikenonpeninsula@gmail.com](mailto:mbmillikenonpeninsula@gmail.com)>; Pete Dahl <[peterleedahl@gmail.com](mailto:peterleedahl@gmail.com)>; Ronessa Butler <[ronessa+parks@gmail.com](mailto:ronessa+parks@gmail.com)>; Jenn Cram <[planner@peninsulatownship.com](mailto:planner@peninsulatownship.com)>; Jeff Graft <[troutfever@aol.com](mailto:troutfever@aol.com)>; [riversoul55@aol.com](mailto:riversoul55@aol.com); John Pelizzari <[jpel819@hotmail.com](mailto:jpel819@hotmail.com)>; James Cooley <[james.cooley@gmail.com](mailto:james.cooley@gmail.com)>; Steve Lagerquist <[slagerquist@gtrlc.org](mailto:slagerquist@gtrlc.org)>; Erin Schug <[eschug@gtrlc.org](mailto:eschug@gtrlc.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Summary of today's meeting in hemlock wing of PNA

My parks friends,

This may not be your area of authority. The lower meadow of Pelizarri is being consumed by ground vines that have now spread into the sumac and mulberry. I haven't done anything yet because it's not my property, but if you give the okay I'll rip some of it out. It's bad now, but will be irremediable if it spreads into the canopy.

Thank you for all your work.

Grant Parsons  
6936 Mission Ridge

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 20, 2023**  
**Weekly Grand Traverse County Beach Report**  
Samples Collected July 19, Reported July 20  
**GRAND TRAVERSE BAY**

<u>Beach</u>	<u>This week's sample results</u> <u>E. coli count per 100ml</u>	<u>Water Quality Index</u>
West End	2	1
Clinch Park	19	1
Bryant Park	13	1
East Bay Park	111	1
Traverse City State Park	14	1
Acme Bayside Park	3	1
Sayler Park	4	1
Sunset Park	41	1
TC Senior Center	37	1
TC Volleyball Beach	1	1
Haserot Beach	0	1

<u>Water Quality Index</u>	<u>Body Contact Limits</u>	<u>E.coli/100ml</u> <u>(Single Event)</u>	<u>E.coli/100ml</u> <u>(30 day geo-mean)</u>
<b>Level 1</b>	E. coli levels meet EGLE swimming standards for full body contact.	<b>0-300</b>	<b>0-130</b>
<b>Level 2</b>	E. coli levels meet EGLE standards for wading, fishing, and boating. Contact above the waist not advised.	<b>301-1000</b>	<b>131-1000</b>
<b>Level 3</b>	E. coli levels exceed EGLE standards, no body contact advised.	<b>&gt;1000</b>	<b>&gt;1000</b>
<b>Level 4</b>	Health Alert. E. coli levels and/or known gross contamination of beach waters. Avoid contact with beach waters.		

**Note:** Beach samples are routinely collected once a week. Therefore E. coli levels may not meet the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) standards between sampling days. E. coli levels are more likely to increase after a storm.

**Note:** Beaches are sampled using the composite sampling method approved by EGLE. Follow-up samples after a Level 2, 3, or 4 will utilize geometric mean.

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 13, 2023**  
**Weekly Grand Traverse County Beach Report**  
Samples Collected July 12, Reported July 13  
**GRAND TRAVERSE BAY**

<u>Beach</u>	<u>This week's sample results</u> <u>E. coli count per 100ml</u>	<u>Water Quality Index</u>
West End	3	1
Clinch Park	16	1
Bryant Park	20	1
East Bay Park	24	1
Traverse City State Park	9	1
Acme Bayside Park	7	1
Sayler Park	3	1
Sunset Park	37	1
TC Senior Center	12	1
TC Volleyball Beach	1	1
Haserot Beach	4	1

<u>Water Quality Index</u>	<u>Body Contact Limits</u>	<u>E.coli/100ml</u> <u>(Single Event)</u>	<u>E.coli/100ml</u> <u>(30 day geo-mean)</u>
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 6, 2023**  
**Weekly Grand Traverse County Beach Report**  
Samples Collected July 5, Reported July 6  
**GRAND TRAVERSE BAY**

<u>Beach</u>	<u>This week's sample results</u> <u>E. coli count per 100ml</u>	<u>Water Quality Index</u>
West End	1	1
Clinch Park	5	1
Bryant Park	39	1
East Bay Park	727	2
Traverse City State Park	75	1
Acme Bayside Park	14	1
Sayler Park	2	1
Sunset Park	21	1
TC Senior Center	24	1
TC Volleyball Beach	19	1
Haserot Beach	37	1

<u>Water Quality Index</u>	<u>Body Contact Limits</u>	<u>E.coli/100ml</u> (Single Event)	<u>E.coli/100ml</u> (30 day geo-mean)
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**BUSINESS**

## BOWERS HARBOR PARK PAVILION RESERVATION

Parks are open from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

*There is a non-refundable fee to reserve a pavilion, go to page two of this form for the fee schedule and a description of the pavilions. If a 24-hour notice is provided, a pavilion may be rescheduled during the same season at no additional charge.*

### RESERVING THE PAVILION DOES NOT MEAN EXCLUSIVE USE OF PARK FACILITIES

Name or Organization (please print) Peninsula Township Parks Committee

Contact person Michele Zebell

Email address mzebell1.parks@gmail.com

Address 2616 Bowers Harbor Road

City, State, Zip Traverse City, MI 49686 Phone 231-342-6418

Are you a Peninsula Township resident? yes

I am requesting permission to use pavilion # 1 on Saturday, September 30

for the following purpose Celebration of New Amenities from 9 am to 6 pm

Will you be serving alcohol? No If you answered yes, please submit proof of liquor liability coverage.

Approximate number of people 80 NOTE: 50 or more people requires a Special Event Application approved by the Parks Committee and you must submit a certificate of liability insurance naming Peninsula Township and Peninsula Township Parks Committee as additional insured for general liability of at least one million dollars per occurrence and at least two million dollars aggregate prior to your event.

- Persons using any township park are expected to abide by the rules and regulation stated in Township Ordinance #57 and may suffer loss of permit and/or eviction from the park for failure to do so. Some of the more commonly asked questions are answered below. If you have further questions, Ordinance #57 is attached. Upon inspection of the premises following use by any permitted group, any damage or cleanup will be billed to the above-named representative.
- All motor vehicles, including delivery trucks and vendors, shall be driven on designated roadways only and parking of the same only in designated parking areas.
- No overnight camping is allowed.
- Stoves, grills, and picnic tables shall be held or used no longer than necessary and **no fires shall be built except in grills provided or privately owned.**
- No household refuse is allowed in trash cans. Park users shall clean their own litter, and leave area in the same condition as they found it.
- Boisterous, obscene or obnoxious conduct is prohibited.
- Permission for exceptions to the rules set forth in Ordinance #57 must be obtained in writing from the Peninsula Township Parks Committee. Violation of any part of the Ordinance is cause for eviction from the park and/or fine/imprisonment. Ordinance #57 is legally enforceable by local, county or state law enforcement officers.

*I have received a copy of Ordinance #57 and understand the park rules and regulations.*

Signature of Applicant Michele Zebell Date 7-19-23

Office Use Only: Check # \_\_\_\_\_ or Cash

Amount Submitted: Waived *Margaret*  
*4/20/23*

## Peninsula Township Special Event Application

Please fill this application out completely, read the attached documents, and sign and date at the bottom

1. Applicant: Name: Peninsula Parks Committee, contact Michele Zebell  
Address: 2616 Powers Harbor Rd  
Traverse City, MI 49686  
Phone Number(s): 231-342-6418  
Email Address: mzebell1.parks@gmail.com
2. Date of your event: Saturday, September 30
3. Type of event: Community Celebration
4. Number of people you are expecting: 80 - 100
5. Park you are requesting to use: Bowers Harbor Park
6. Will you be bringing in, tables, chairs, etc.? yes/no
7. Please describe any other detail of your event: Will be using the BB court, PB court, tennis court, sand court, and play structure
8. Read the attached information specific to the park that you are requesting to use and the attached Peninsula Township Park Regulation Ordinance #57.

***I have read Ordinance #57 and the specific regulations regarding Bowers Harbor Park and agree to the terms therein.***

Michele Zebell

Signature of Applicant

7-19-23

Date

Michele Zebell

Printed Name

231-342-6418

Contact Phone Number

### For Peninsula Township Official Only

Next Parks Committee Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved/Denied (with reason): \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson – Parks Committee

Date

## **Peninsula Township Parks Projects Survey**

### **Background**

The township began working with the Land Information Access Association (LIAA), a non-profit located in Traverse City, in the first quarter of 2021 to explore the feasibility of revamping the current parks budget and to identify additional alternative sources of funding that could support basic park operations. We also researched how to leverage local resources to attract outside funding for larger maintenance and capital improvement projects in the parks. Over the past several months, LIAA analyzed the township parks budget to determine an average annual baseline for current operations as well as to identify expectations for the parks going forward.



Part of the study considered several potential big-ticket maintenance items as well as several new capital expenditures to improve the existing infrastructure in the parks and to provide new facilities where none exist at this time, such as the Bowers Harbor expansion area. The study also identified several funding resources while acknowledging that the township will have choices to make in order to effectively administer park properties and projects. Copies of this study are available for review throughout this public open house or can be viewed online at [participateoldmission.com](http://participateoldmission.com)

### **When taking the survey:**

1. You may vote for up to five (5) of your favorite projects.
2. You may only vote once for a specific project.
3. Please write-in the project that you feel should be the township's #1 priority at the bottom of the ballot.

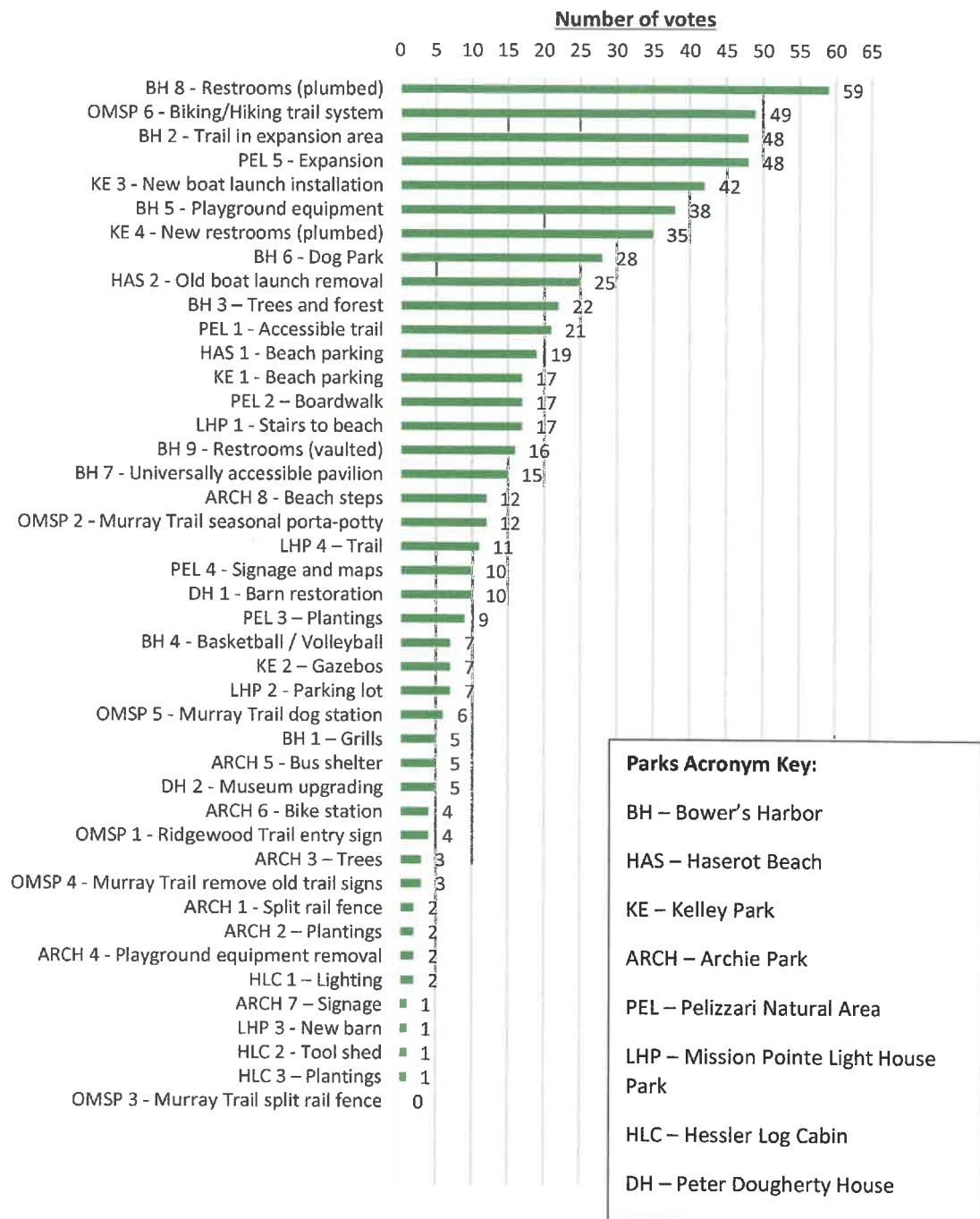
**If you require assistance, please ask a representative**



The following charts illustrate the responses to the survey questions regarding the projects:

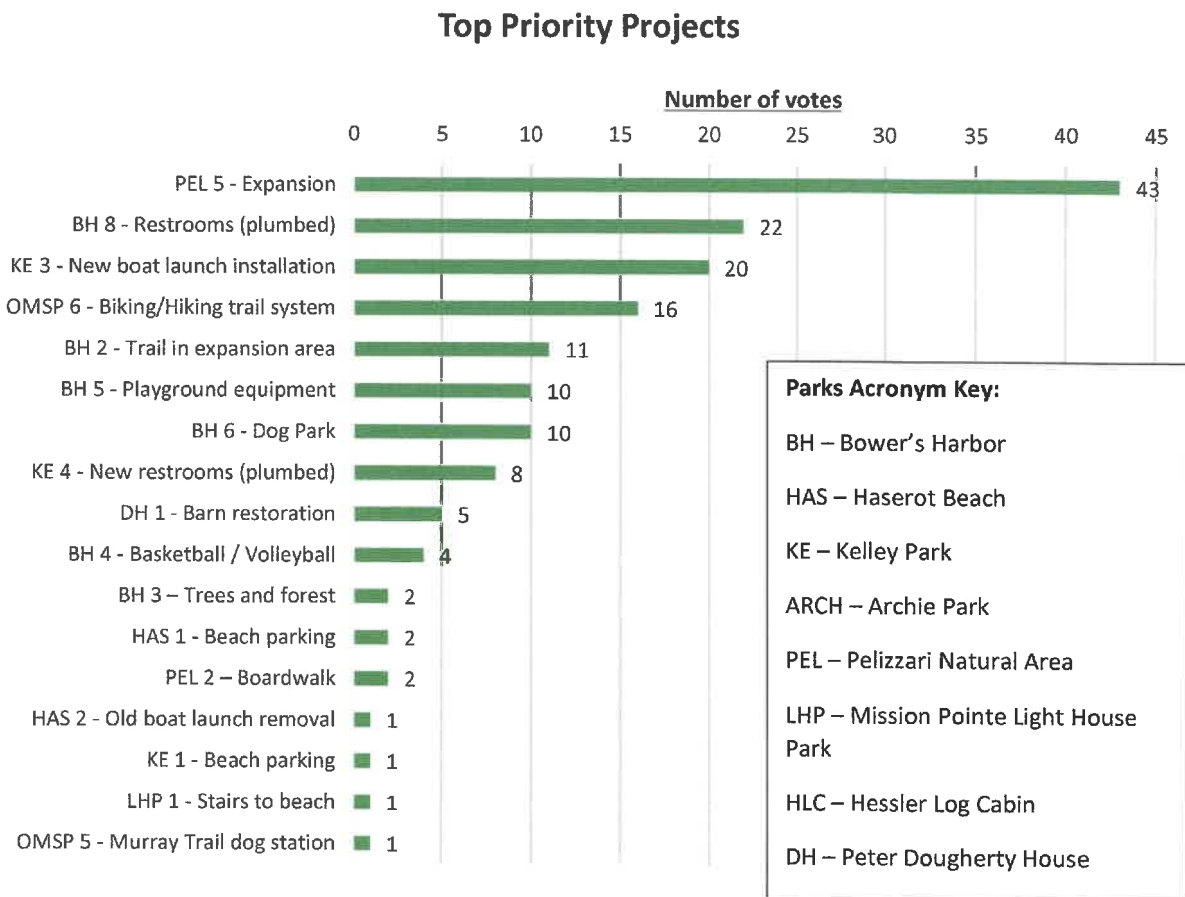
**Question:** Select up to five (5) park projects that you feel should be high priorities

### Total Project Votes



**Question:** Identify your #1 top priority project that you feel is the most important (choose one)

Responses:





# Bowers Harbor Park Expansion

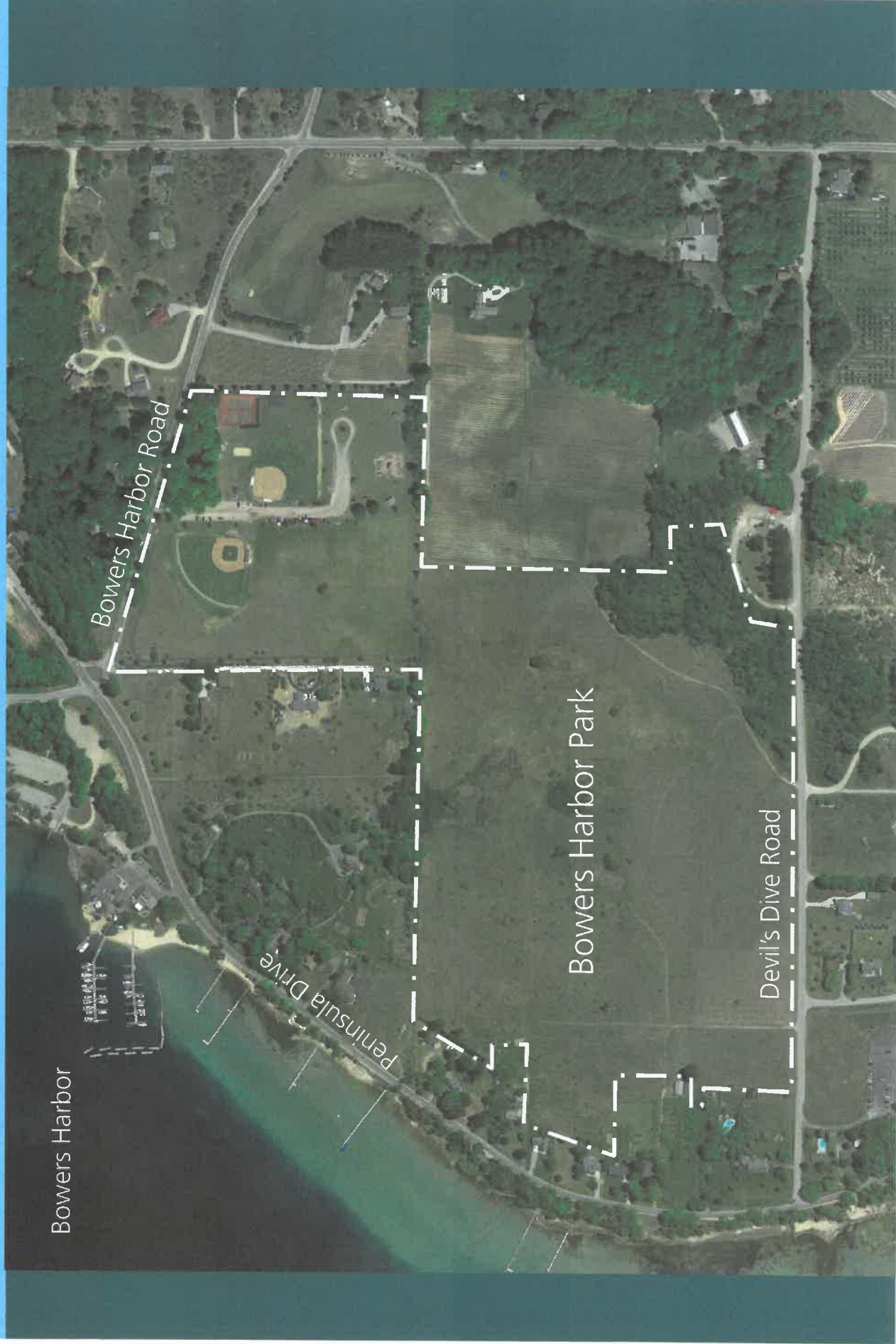
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**Beckett & Raeder, Inc.**

# Explanation of Project Catalyst





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## Due Care Analysis (pertains to Expansion Site only)

- Site History
  - Pre-Settlement – Forested (Beech/Sugar Maple/Hemlock Forest)
  - Pre 1940's – Apple Orchard
  - 1940 to early 2000's – Tart Cherry Orchard
  - Early 2000's to present – Vacant (South)
- Known Contaminants
  - Arsenic (exceeding MDEQ Generic Residential Clean-up Criteria)
  - Lead (not exceeding MDEQ GRCC; but above state background levels)
  - Common residual agrochemicals
- Risk
  - Repetitive exposure over a long period of time is required to increase health risk hazard
  - Exceedences can be easily addressed for recreational purposes
  - Any proposed plan will be reviewed by an environmental professional for exposure or exacerbation during construction or use.

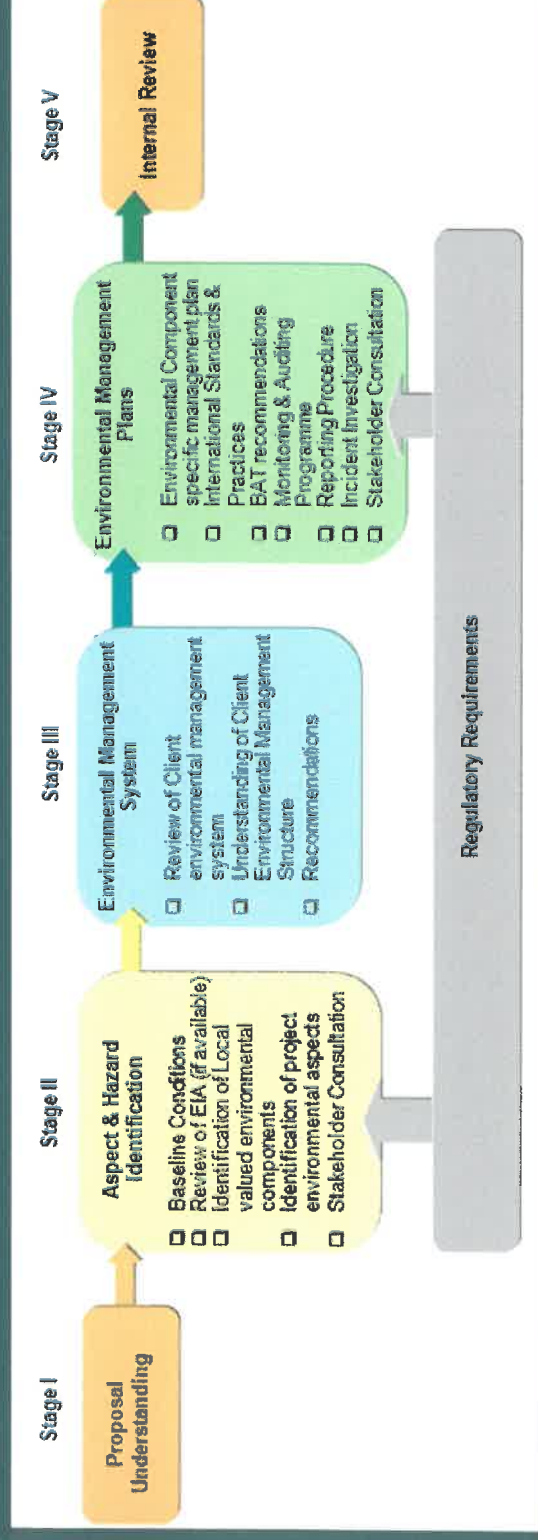




# Explanation of Project Catalyst

## Due Care Analysis (*continued*)

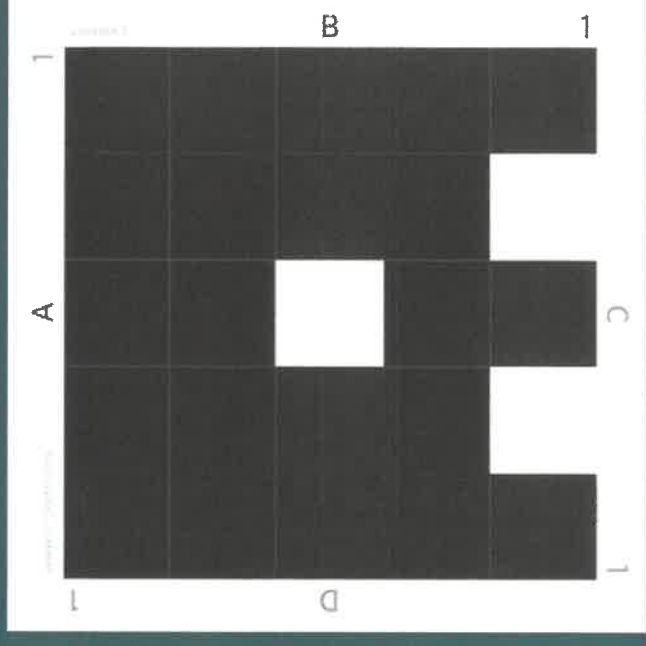
- Response Activities
  - Vegetative Hedge Row or Fencing (West and North Perimeter)
  - Additional Soil Characterization for More Intensive Recreation Activities (Sports Fields, Dog Park, etc.)
  - Environmental Construction Management Plan



# Review of Public Input

## Plickers

- **A** – This element should definitely remain or would be a fantastic addition to this park
- **B** – This element is something that **could be** good or interesting at this park
- **C** – I am neutral about this element
- **D** – This element is not desired at all!!!





# Review of Public Input

## Playground

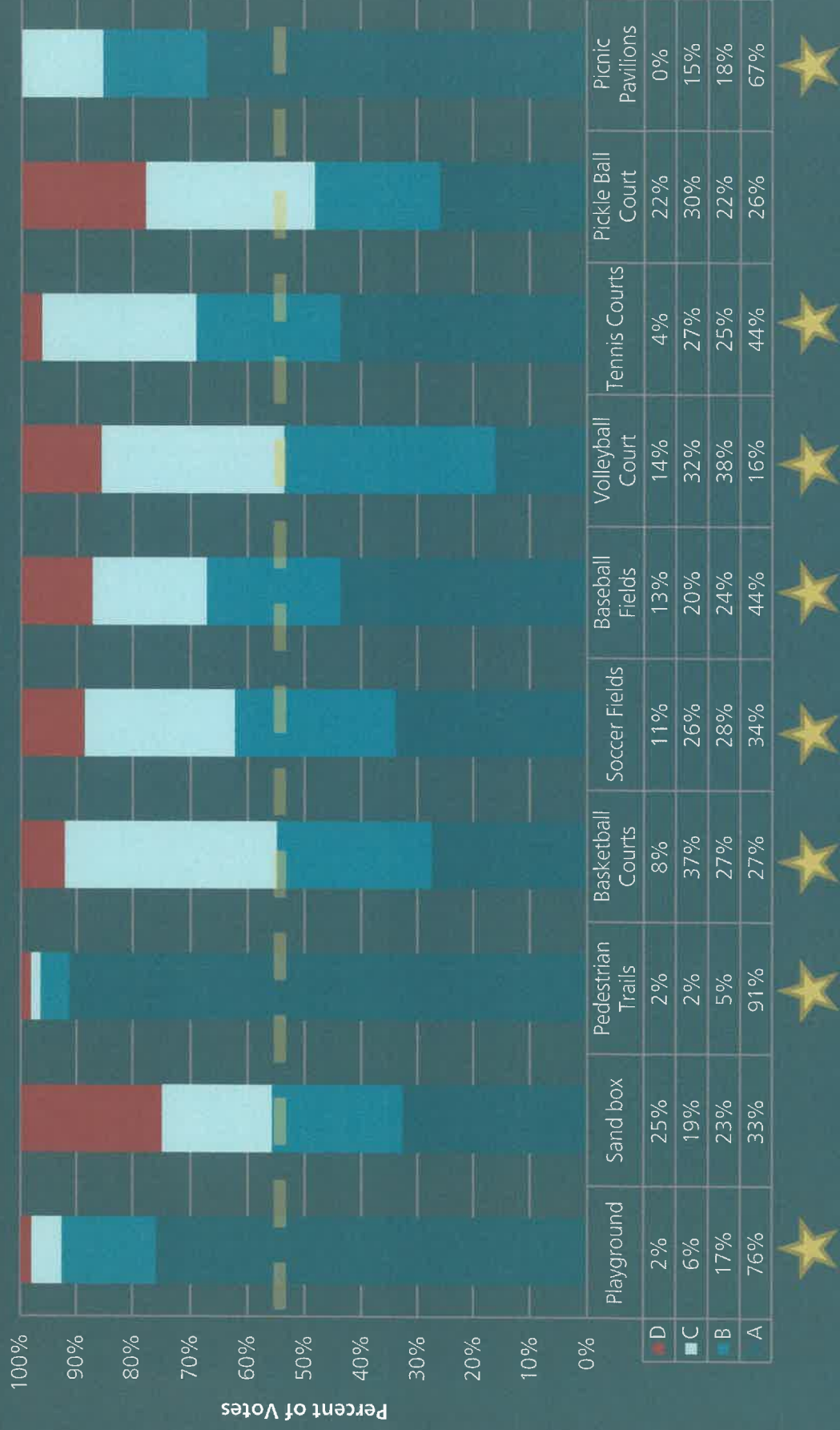
Cost: \$\$\$

Due Care: ●



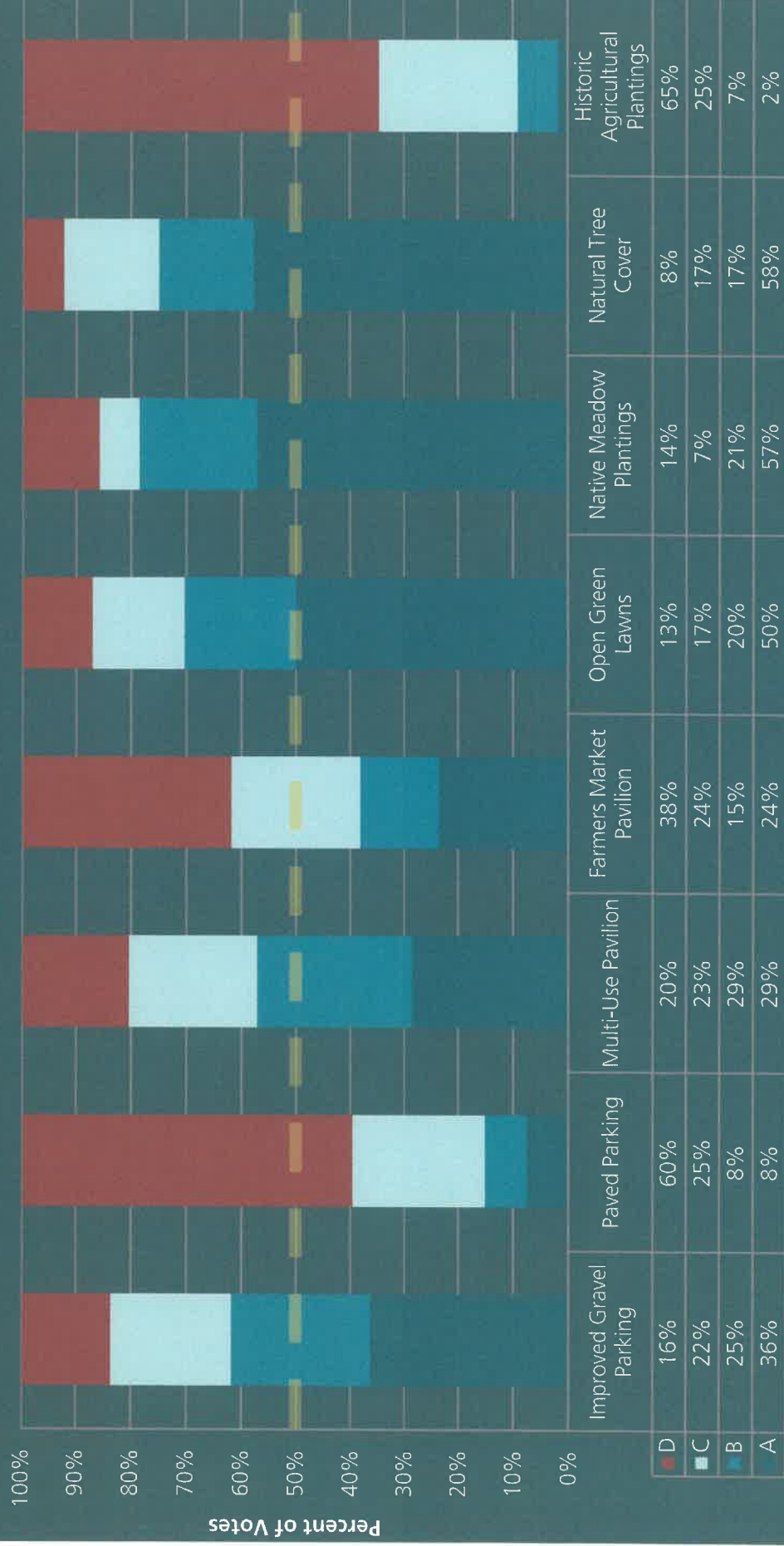
# Review of Public Input

## Results – Existing Elements



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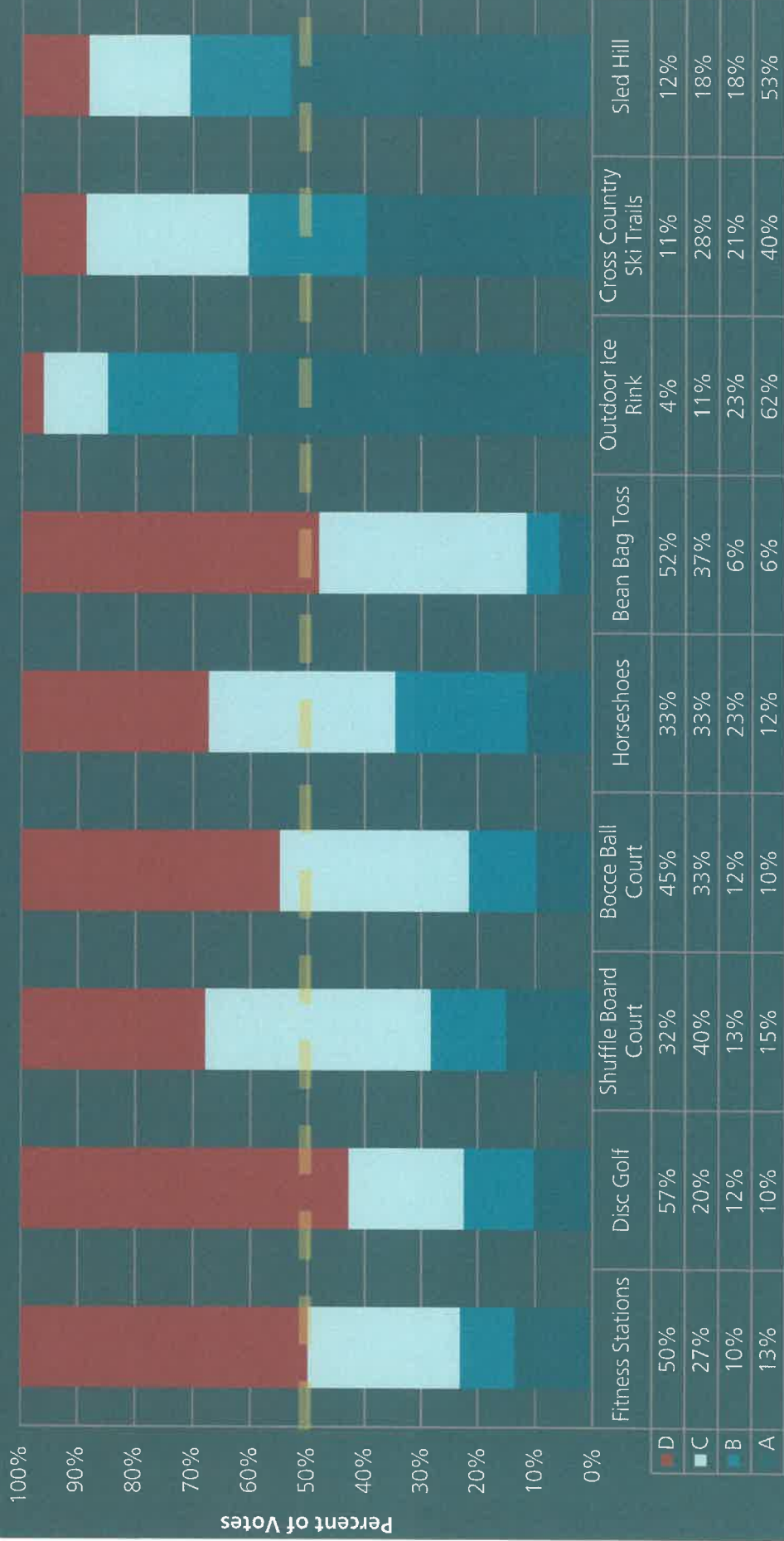
## Results – Potential Elements





# Review of Public Input

## Results – Potential Elements (cont.)



# Review of Public Input

## Results – Potential Elements (cont.)









# Character Images



Large Play Structure with  
PIP Safety Surfacing



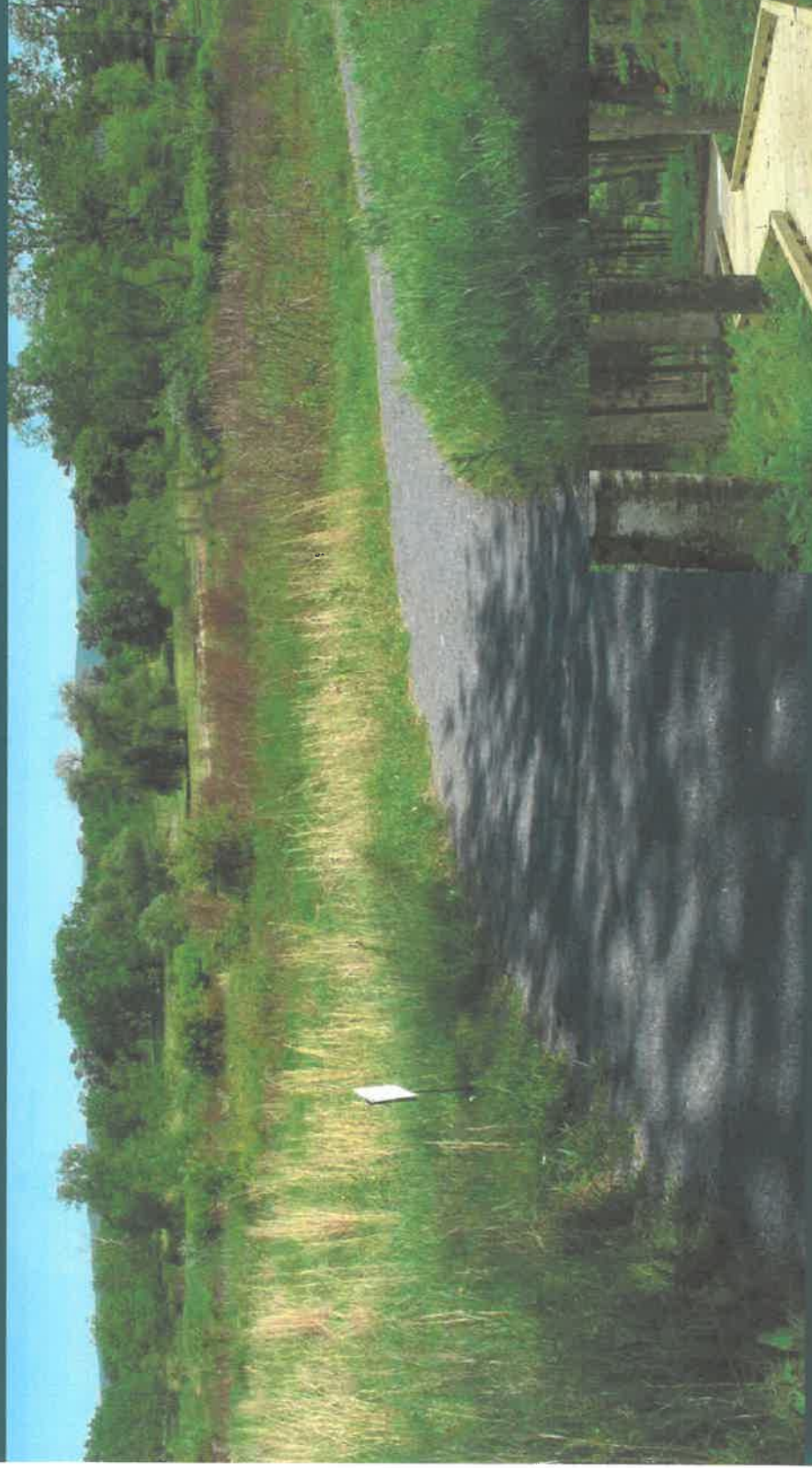
Small Kit Ice Rink



Small Play Structure



# Character Images



Accessible Gravel Trail



Boardwalk  
through  
Wetland



# Character Images



Multi-Use Pavilion



Accessible Grill



Picnic  
Pavilion

# Character Images



Kiosk Sign



Single Accessible Vault Toilet



Litter /  
Recycling Receptacle



# Character Images



*Wet Meadow*



*Dry Meadow*



# Next Steps

## Potential Funding Sources:

MDNR Trust Fund, GTRLC, Rotary, Foundations, Private Donations, etc.

## Project Implementation

### *Expanded Park Area*

- **Immediate Improvements (2017)** ..... \$30,000 - \$35,000

- Signage / Kiosk
- Litter Receptacles
- Site Clean-up
- Fencing
- Mowed Parking Area
- Mowed Trail Loop

### *Existing Park Area*

- Signage / Kiosk
- Fencing

- **Phase I Improvements (2018 – 2020)** ..... \$800,000 - \$1,200,000

- Accessible Gravel Trails
- Gravel Parking Lot
- Kiosk
- Vault Toilet
- Accessible Boardwalk Trails
- North Play Structure
- South Play Structure
- PIP Safety Surfacing
- Kit Ice Rink (60x120)
- Relocate Volleyball Court

- **Future Improvements (2020 and beyond)** ..... TBD

- All Other Improvements

## Proposed SOUTH Park Development by Phase

Element	Baseline Improvements:		Phase 1:		Phase 2:	
	2017		2018-2020		2020->	
Signage		Yes				
Garbage/doggie bags		Yes				
Site Cleanup		Yes				
Fencing		Yes				
Temporary parking - mowed		Yes				
Temporary trail loop - mowed		Yes				
Pedestrian trails - compacted gravel (UA)			Yes (main loop + north spur)			
Improved parking - gravel			Yes			
Kiosk including trail map sign			Yes			
Vault toilet			Yes			
Interpretive trails / viewing trails			Yes (north/wetland spur)		Yes (stream spur)	
Additional natural tree cover					Yes	
Meadow/wildflower/native grass restoration					Yes	
Picnic pavilion					Yes	

## Proposed NORTH Park Development by Phase

Element	Baseline Improvements:		Phase 1:		Phase 2:	
	2017		2018-2020		2020->	
Kiosk including trail map sign		Yes				
Fencing		Yes				
North play structure (small)			Yes			
South play structure (large) and path			Yes			
Poured in place safety surfacing			Yes			
Winter ice rink 60x120 feet			Yes			
Move volleyball court			Yes			
Parking lot redevelopment, expansion & curbing					Yes	
Connecting pathways - compacted gravel					Yes	

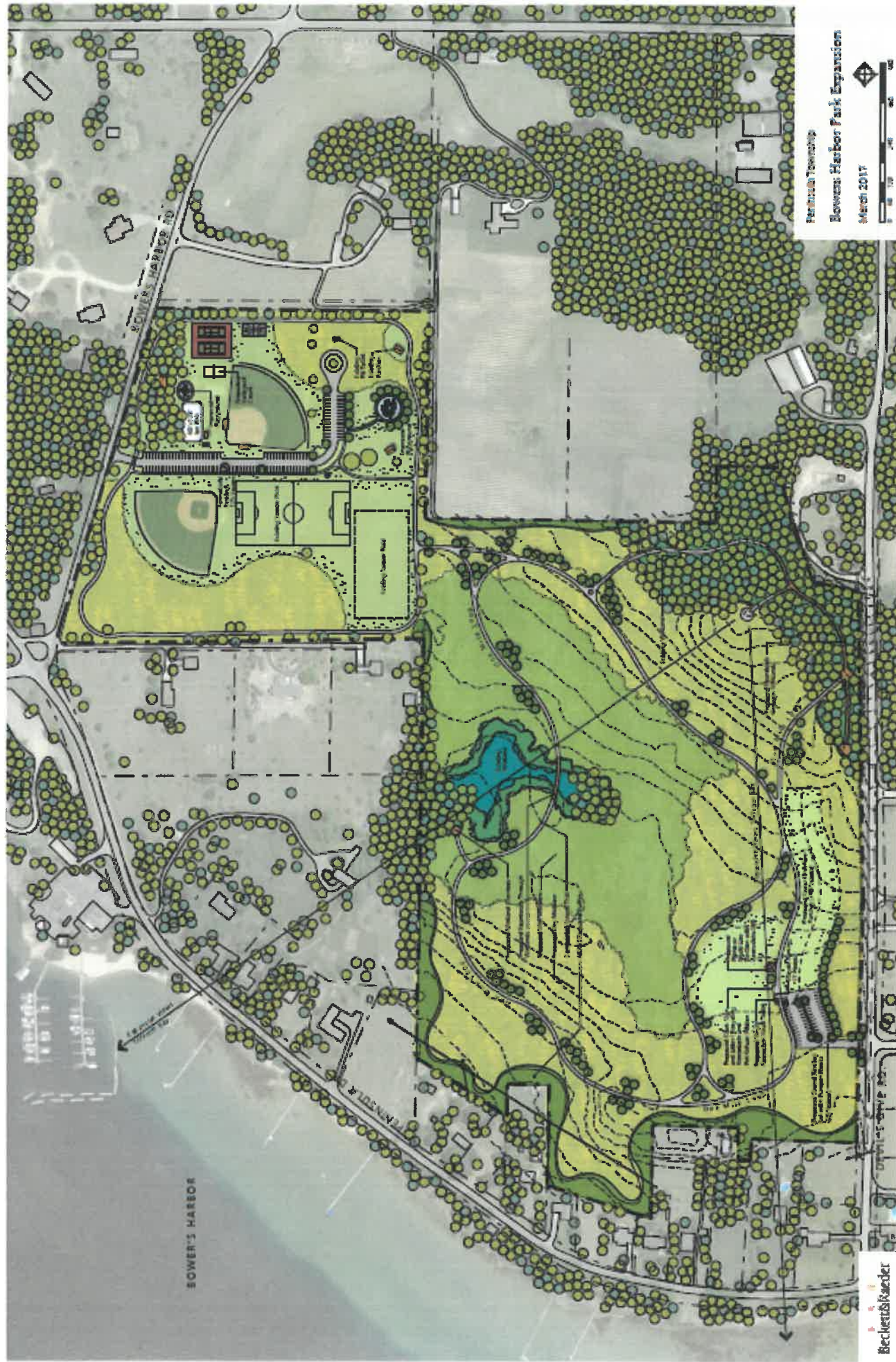


# BOWER'S HARBOR

Expansive Views  
To/From Bay







March 2017

Ewer's Harbor Park Expansion

March 2017



Bechtel & Rader

