

**VILLAGE OF DEXTER
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
September 16, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Village of Dexter Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:05 pm at the Village Offices, 8123 Main Street.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Becky Murillo, Randy Hermann, Toni Henkemeyer, Ellen Han, and Donna Fisher

Other Present: Courtney Nicholls, Village Manager

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES/NOTES FROM JUNE 17

Motion by Fisher, Seconded by Hermann to approve the minutes from July 15, 2014 as presented.

Motion Adopted

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Hermann, Seconded by Fisher to approve the agenda as presented

Motion Adopted

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

Chair: None

Commissioners and Ex-Officio

5H – Interventions for 2015 will be due in November. The Commission has received the cost estimates for the playground and will be presenting it as an intervention.

Staff Report: The Commission reviewed the staff report. They did not feel it is necessary to add signage to Mill Creek Park North; existing signage states that entering the water is done so at a person's own risk. The Commission also discussed setting a fall Mill Creek Park Work Day for October 18.

OLD BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF: PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Staff will continue to work on updates to the Master Plan. The survey will be advertised in the Village Newsletter, sent out via the e-mail update and posted on the Village website and Facebook page.

B. DISCUSSION OF: LION'S PARK PLAY EQUIPMENT

The Commission reviewed the updated schematics from Superior Play showing the proposed layout. The Commission discussed approaching the Lion's Club to see if they are interested in participating in the project.

NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF: PARK MAINTENANCE REQUESTS

Commissioner Hermann mentioned that a friend of his son's received a splinter from one of the benches along Jeffords.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Fisher, Seconded by Henkemeyer to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Courtney Nicholls
Village Manager



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
ROM: Courtney Nicholls, Village Manager
RE: REPORT
DATE: October 27, 2014

Ice Rink

The ice rink is scheduled to be installed the week of December 15. This date was chosen because it is after the Holiday Hustle on December 13.

Invasive Species Control

Plantwise has completed their work on invasive species control for 2014. As part of their contract they will be doing some seeding in the areas where the elimination of weeds has left bare areas. Paul Evanoff has suggested that we expand the scope of services next year to include the area along the Border to Border Trail connector to West Ridge, which contains a significant number of phragmites.

Mill Creek Park Work Day

The fall Mill Creek Park Work Day was held on October 18, 2014. 8 people volunteered in the park to help clean up prior to winter. The main project was cutting down and weeding in the two rain gardens along Jeffords.

Segment D1 B2B (Central Street/Railroad tracks)

The bid for the final portion of the Border to Border Trail will go out this winter. Construction is expected to occur as soon as the weather breaks in April. As part of this project the County would like to install the Border to Border Trail wayfinding signage to lead people from the Hudson Mills trail to the Dexter Huron Trail through town. Staff will be meeting with Coy Vaughn (County Parks) on October 28. The goal is to finalize the look and placement of the signs so that the contractor can install them as part of the trail construction.

2015-2020 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN (CIP)

Included in the packet are CIP worksheets for the upcoming 2015-2020 CIP. Please review the text, timeline, costs and priority for the projects. Commissioner Coy has requested that the Commission discuss adding a sheet for possible property acquisition for Huron River access off of Central. Two proposed sheets are provided for the Commission's review. A new proposed sheet for a connection from Huron Farms to the Border to Border Trail has also been created. This idea was brought up several months ago by the Huron Farms Homeowners Association. Staff will make any updates to the CIP sheets and bring them back for review in November.

Please feel free to contact me prior to the meeting with any questions, etc.

Thank you.

VILLAGE OF DEXTER * CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

PROJECT NAME: Community Park Improvements

PROJECT ID: 01-2.0-1998

PRIORITY: IMPORTANT

PROJECT TYPE: Park Enhancement

TOTAL COST: \$400,000

SUBMITTED BY: Parks and Recreation

YEARS IN CIP (Beginning year): 16(1998)

DESCRIPTION:

Improvements started 2004, play equipment 2005 Community Build, asphalt path in 2007, gazebo 2008, play court 2009. Remaining improvements include permanent bathrooms, water fountain, court shelter, path reconstruction. Pathway reconstruction required following drainage improvements resulting from LaFontaine stormwater improvements. Park should be complete following installation of above items.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

Value indicates the degree to which the project will help to: 0=Not Applicable 1=Somewhat Important 2=Important 3=Very Important

3	Protect health, safety, lives of citizens
3	Maintain or improve public infrastructure, facilities
1	Reduce energy consumption, impact on the environment
3	Enhance social, cultural, recreational, aesthetics opportunities
1	Improve customer service, convenience for citizens
11	TOTAL SCORE

BENEFICIAL IMPACTS:

Parks provide citizens will with healthy recreation and open space opportunities within the Village. Safe, enjoyable access to parks and recreation opportunities is an important goal as stated within the Master Plan.

LOCATION MAP: Dexter Ann Arbor Road and Ryan Drive



MASTER PLAN AND/OR STUDY REFERENCE:

See Parks and Recreation Master Plan Goals 1, 2 and 6 AND 2012 Village Master Plan.

SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE JUSTIFICATION:

	Start		End	
	Month	Year	Month	Year
Study:		1998		ongoing
Design/Acquisition:		1998		ongoing
Construction:		2004		2016

The project has been ongoing. Pathway should be first priority following drainage improvements (completed 2012-LaFontaine).

PROJECT COST DETAIL:

Bathrooms and Water Fountain	General Fund	\$100,000
Pavilion/Shelter at Play court	General Fund	\$50,000
Path reconstruction	General Fund	\$60,000
	5-H Mini-Grant	\$0
New Signage	General Fund	\$5,000

EXPENDITURES (in thousands)

Funding Source	Prior Yrs	FY14-15	FY15-16	FY16-17	FY17-18	FY17-18	Beyond FY19	TOTALS
General Fund	\$200	\$15		\$100		\$50		\$165
Grants		\$45						\$45
								\$0
								\$0
TOTALS	\$200	\$60	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$210

VILLAGE OF DEXTER * CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

PROJECT NAME: Dog Park

PROJECT ID: 02-2.0-2013

PROJECT TYPE: Park Development

SUBMITTED BY: Parks and Recreation

PRIORITY: IMPORTANT

TOTAL COST: \$23,000

YEARS IN CIP (Beginning year): 1 (2013)

DESCRIPTION:

The Village owns property on Dan Hoey Road where the Community Garden is located. Development of an off leach dog area (approx. 3/4 acre) on the west side of the 4 acre parcel would meet the needs of a portion of the Village's dog owner population. This project was discussed as a top priority by the PaRC upon Council determination of long term plans for property.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

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0	Protect health, safety, lives of citizens
2	Maintain or improve public infrastructure, facilities
1	Reduce energy consumption, impact on the environment
3	Enhance social, cultural, recreational, aesthetics opportunities
2	Improve customer service, convenience for citizens
8	TOTAL SCORE

BENEFICIAL IMPACTS:

Providing additional park facilities/amenities for a variety of citizens. Promotes exercise, healthy relationships and community. The 5-H Coalition may be able to assist in the development.

LOCATION MAP:



MASTER PLAN AND/OR STUDY REFERENCE:

Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2009-2014 AND Dog Park Research in file (2012)

SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE JUSTIFICATION:

	Start		End		
	Month	Year	Month	Year	
Study:		2013		2013	Study and cost estimates being completed, design, etc. to be done in 2013-2014. Construction slated for 2013-2014 when funding has been secured. 5-H Coalition could assist with mini-grant although project not listed in plan.
Design/Acquisition:		2013		2013	
Construction:		2013		2014	

PROJECT COST DETAIL:

Property Development	General Fund	750 l.f. fencing	\$12,000
		clearing approx. 1 acre	\$6,000
		parking/culvert	\$5,000

EXPENDITURES (in thousands)

Funding Source	Prior Yrs	FY14-15	FY15-16	FY16-17	FY17-18	FY18-19	Beyond FY19	TOTALS
General Fund				\$23				\$23
Donations								\$0
5-H Mini-Grant (14-15)								\$0
TOTALS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23

PROJECT NAME: Mill Creek Park Improvements/Construction - PHASE 2

PROJECT ID: 05-2.0-2010

PRIORITY: IMPORTANT

PROJECT TYPE: Park Development

TOTAL COST: \$1,200,000

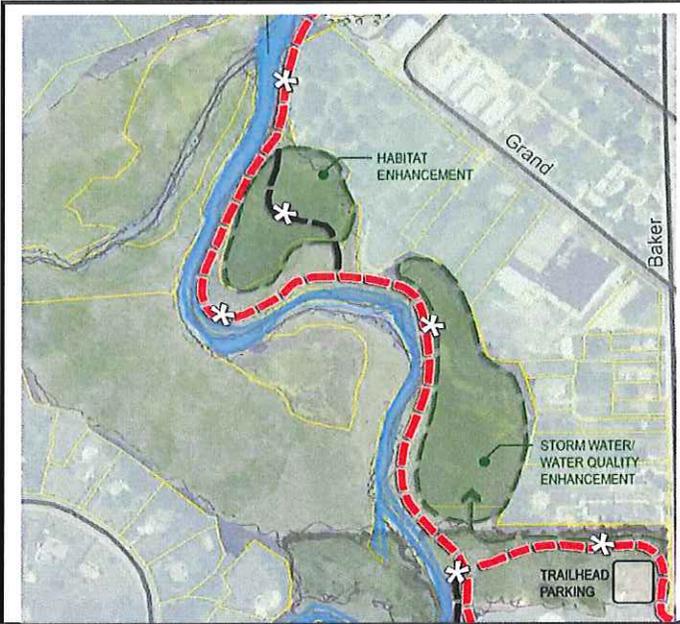
SUBMITTED BY: Parks and Recreation

YEARS IN CIP (Beginning year): 14 (2000)

DESCRIPTION:

Construction of a passive natural trail system south of Grand Street to the Dexter Community Schools property. Provides a major connection to a developing regional trail system and the school outdoor education area. Provides possible trailhead parking opportunity at Shield Road upon completion. Includes stormwater system improvements see project ID 02-7.0-2009. Consider eliminating trail along river at point to reduce cost and reduce impacts to habitat, may also reduce permitting needs.

LOCATION MAP: East of Mill Creek South of Main Street



PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

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3	Reduce energy consumption, impact on the environment
3	Enhance social, cultural, recreational, aesthetics opportunities
3	Improve customer service, convenience for citizens
13	TOTAL SCORE

BENEFICIAL IMPACTS:

Preserve and enhance the parkland along the Mill Creek and west of the Village, improve habitat and natural areas, connect parks and provide recreational opportunities to citizens.

MASTER PLAN AND/OR STUDY REFERENCE:

Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2009-2014 AND Mill Creek Park Master Plan 2009; 2013 PaRC Goal to initiate natural trail in future trail location to create access.

SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE JUSTIFICATION:

	Start		End	
	Month	Year	Month	Year
Study:		2008		2009
Design/Acquisition:		2015		2016
Construction:		2017		2017

Start design work in 14-15 to prepare for MNRTF acquisition grant in April 2015. Coordination with school and outdoor lab advised. Community Connector funding or B2B funding with County should be reviewed.

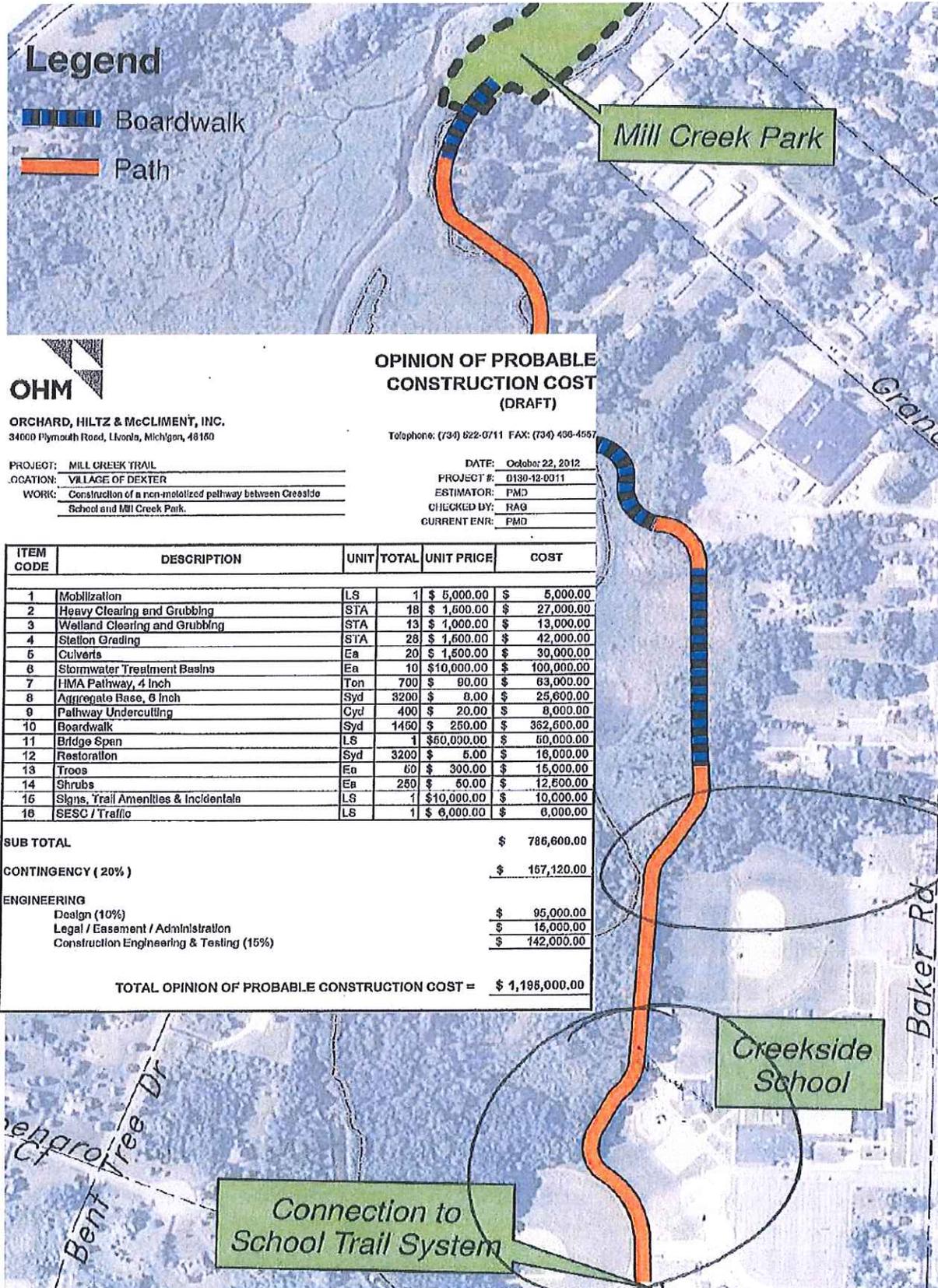
PROJECT COST DETAIL:

Phase 2 Park Development- Grand Street to School	Phase 2	\$1,200,000
Project 02-7.0-2009 should be coordinated		\$250,000

EXPENDITURES (in thousands)

Funding Source	Prior Yrs	FY14-15	FY15-16	FY16-17	FY17-18	FY18-19	Beyond FY19	TOTALS
Village Commitment*		\$7	\$10	\$20		\$500		\$537
MNRTF Grant/Other Grants						\$400		\$400
Other - Unknown						\$100		\$100
Landmark Structure Donation						\$200		\$200
Inland Fisheries								\$0
TOTALS	\$0	\$7	\$10	\$20	\$0	\$1,200	\$0	\$1,237

* Consider adding project back to TIP for future STP-U funding.



Legend

-  Boardwalk
-  Path



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OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST (DRAFT)

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PROJECT: MILL CREEK TRAIL
LOCATION: VILLAGE OF DEXTER
WORK: Construction of a non-motORIZED pathway between Creekside School and Mill Creek Park.

DATE: October 22, 2012
PROJECT #: 0130-12-0011
ESTIMATOR: PMD
CHECKED BY: RAG
CURRENT ENR: PMD

ITEM CODE	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	TOTAL	UNIT PRICE	COST
1	Mobilization	LS	1	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
2	Heavy Clearing and Grubbing	STA	18	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 27,000.00
3	Welland Clearing and Grubbing	STA	13	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
4	Station Grading	STA	28	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 42,000.00
5	Culverts	Ea	20	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 30,000.00
6	Stormwater Treatment Basins	Ea	10	\$10,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
7	HMA Pathway, 4 Inch	Ton	700	\$ 90.00	\$ 63,000.00
8	Aggregate Base, 6 Inch	Syd	3200	\$ 8.00	\$ 25,600.00
9	Pathway Undercutting	Cyd	400	\$ 20.00	\$ 8,000.00
10	Boardwalk	Syd	1450	\$ 240.00	\$ 348,000.00
11	Bridge Span	LS	1	\$60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
12	Restoration	Syd	3200	\$ 5.00	\$ 16,000.00
13	Trees	Ea	50	\$ 300.00	\$ 15,000.00
14	Shrubs	Ea	250	\$ 50.00	\$ 12,500.00
15	Signs, Trail Amenities & Incidentals	LS	1	\$10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
16	SESC / Traffic	LS	1	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
SUB TOTAL					\$ 786,600.00
CONTINGENCY (20%)					\$ 157,120.00
ENGINEERING					
Design (10%)					\$ 95,000.00
Legal / Easement / Administration					\$ 16,000.00
Construction Engineering & Testing (15%)					\$ 142,000.00
TOTAL OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST =					\$ 1,198,000.00

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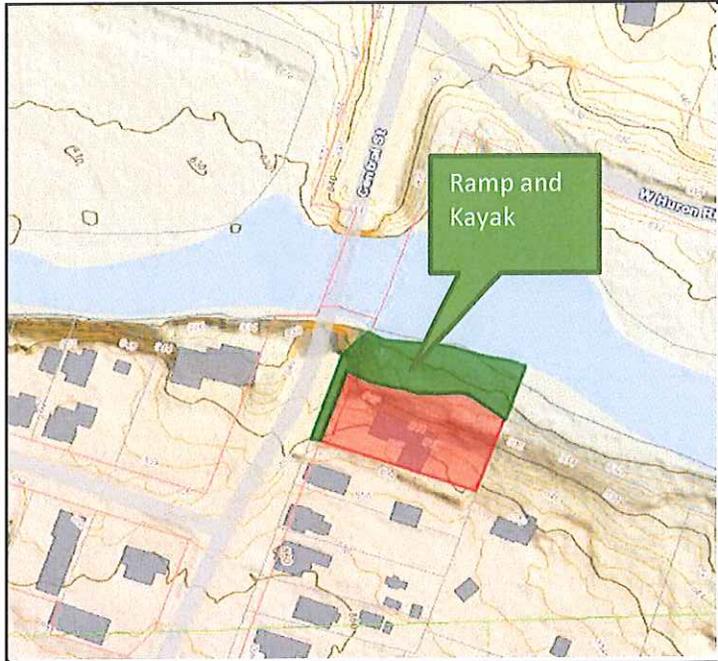
PROJECT NAME: Central Street Kayak Launch and Trailhead

PROJECT ID: _____ **PRIORITY:** _____
PROJECT TYPE: Recreation **TOTAL COST:** \$280,000.00
SUBMITTED BY: Engineering **YEARS IN CIP (Beginning year):** 0 (2015)

DESCRIPTION:

Provide a kayak launch near the Mast Road Bridge over the Huron River. The project will include construction of a ramp from Central Street.

LOCATION MAP:



PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

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1	Improve customer service, convenience for citizens
9	TOTAL SCORE

BENEFICIAL IMPACTS:

The improvement will provide safe access to the River from Central Street

MASTER PLAN AND/OR STUDY REFERENCE:

Council Memorandum (February 2014)

SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE JUSTIFICATION:

	Start		End	
	Month	Year	Month	Year
Study:		2014		2015
Design/Acquisition:		2019		2020
Construction:		2020		2020

Required work includes securing permits from MDEQ and WCRC.

PROJECT COST DETAIL:

TASK	FUNDING SOURCE	AMT
Survey and Design	Unknown	\$40,000
Construction	Unknown	\$240,000

EXPENDITURES (in thousands)

Funding Source	Prior Yrs	FY15-16	FY16-17	FY17-18	FY18-19	FY19-20	Beyond FY20	TOTALS
Unknown						\$40	\$240	\$280
								\$0
								\$0
								\$0
TOTALS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40	\$240	\$280

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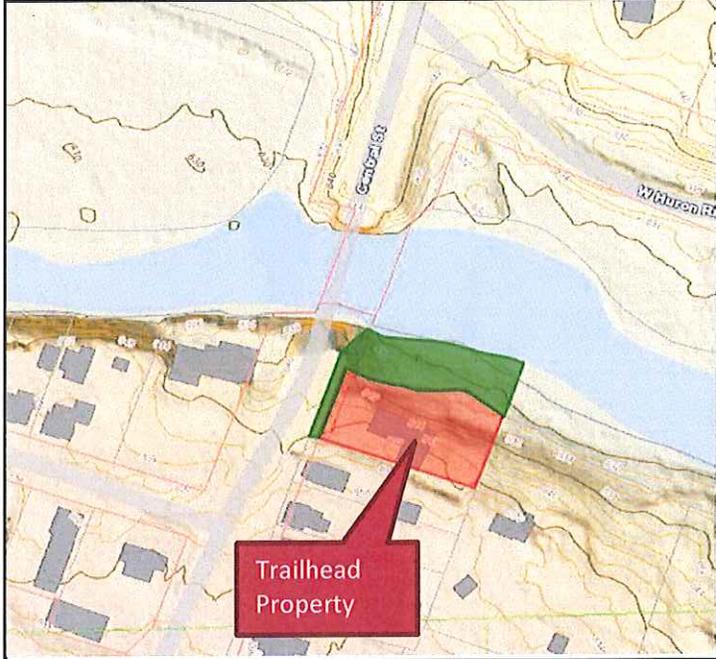
PROJECT NAME: Central Street Trailhead

PROJECT ID: **PRIORITY:**
PROJECT TYPE: Recreation **TOTAL COST:** \$525,000.00
SUBMITTED BY: Engineering **YEARS IN CIP (Beginning year):** 0 (2015)

DESCRIPTION:

Provide a trailhead near the Mast Road Bridge over the Huron River. The project will include construction of a full trailhead and parking lot.

LOCATION MAP:



PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

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2	Protect health, safety, lives of citizens
2	Maintain or improve public infrastructure, facilities
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1	Improve customer service, convenience for citizens
9	TOTAL SCORE

BENEFICIAL IMPACTS:

The improvement will provide safe access to the River from Central Street and also much needed parking to support the border to border trail, river uses and local businesses.

MASTER PLAN AND/OR STUDY REFERENCE:

Council Memorandum (February 2014)

SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE JUSTIFICATION:

	Start		End	
	Month	Year	Month	Year
Study:		2014		2015
Design/Acquisition:		2019		2020
Construction:		2020		2020

Required work includes securing permits from MDEQ. Development of a trailhead will require the purchase of property.

PROJECT COST DETAIL:

TASK	FUNDING SOURCE	AMT
Property Acquisition	Unknown	\$300,000
Construction:	Unknown	\$225,000

EXPENDITURES (in thousands)

Funding Source	Prior Yrs	FY15-16	FY16-17	FY17-18	FY18-19	FY19-20	Beyond FY20	TOTALS
Unknown						\$300	\$225	\$525
								\$0
								\$0
								\$0
TOTALS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$225	\$525

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PROJECT NAME: HURON FARMS CONNECTOR

PROJECT ID: **PRIORITY:**
PROJECT TYPE: Recreation **TOTAL COST:** \$1,120,000
SUBMITTED BY: Engineering **YEARS IN CIP (Beginning year):** 0 (2015)

DESCRIPTION:

Provide a non-motorized connection between Huron Farms Subdivision and the Border to Border Trail. The project includes a significant amount of earthwork as well as a bridge over the MDOT Amtrak Railroad Track(s).

LOCATION MAP:



PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

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2	Maintain or improve public infrastructure, facilities
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1	Improve customer service, convenience for citizens
9	TOTAL SCORE

BENEFICIAL IMPACTS:

The improvement will provide direct access to the county border to border trail as well as the Metropark System. The route will offer a unique visual vista and provides north-south connectivity with the Village and River.

MASTER PLAN AND/OR STUDY REFERENCE:

Council Memorandum (May 2014)

SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE JUSTIFICATION:

	Start		End		
	Month	Year	Month	Year	
Study:	January	2014	May	2014	Required work includes securing permits from MDOT, MDEQ, Washtenaw County, HCMA and Scio Township.
Design/Acquisition:		2019		2019	
Construction:		2020		2020	

PROJECT COST DETAIL:

TASK	FUNDING SOURCE	AMT
Survey, Design and Permitting	Unknown	\$120,000
Construction:	Unknown	\$1,100,000

EXPENDITURES (in thousands)

Funding Source	Prior Yrs	FY15-16	FY16-17	FY17-18	FY18-19	FY19-20	Beyond FY20	TOTALS
Unknown						\$120	\$1,100	\$1,220
								\$0
								\$0
								\$0
TOTALS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120	\$1,100	\$1,220

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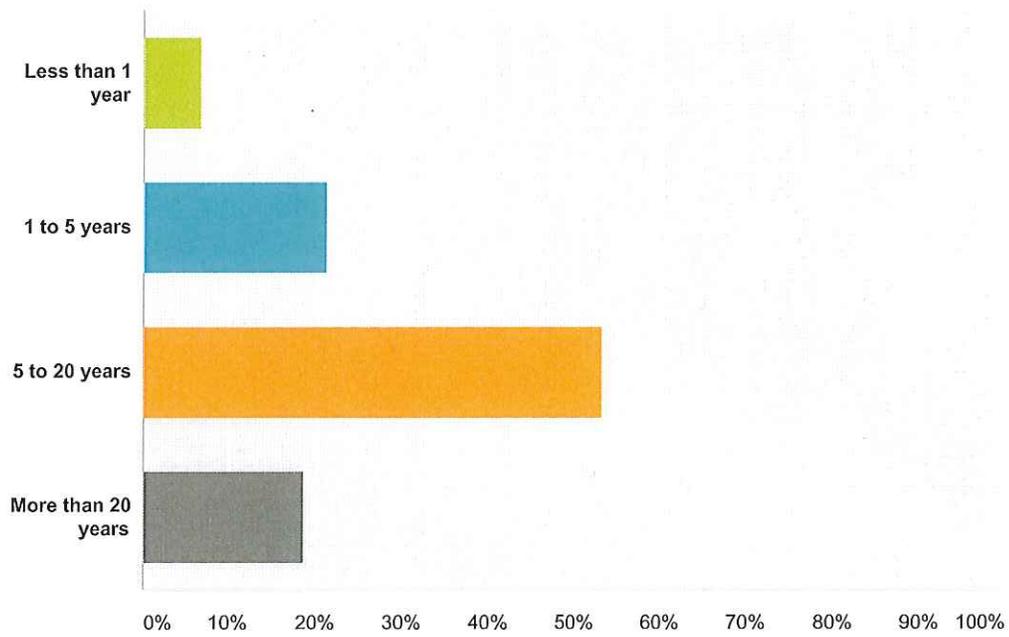
MEMO

To: Parks & Recreation Commission
From: Courtney Nicholls, Village Manager
Date: October 27, 2014
Re: Parks & Recreation Master Plan Survey

Attached for the Commission's review is a compilation of the data from the 75 survey responses we have received so far. Please encourage your friends/neighbors to complete the survey. The link was sent out via the e-mail update, Facebook and Village newsletter.

Q1 How long have you been a Dexter Resident

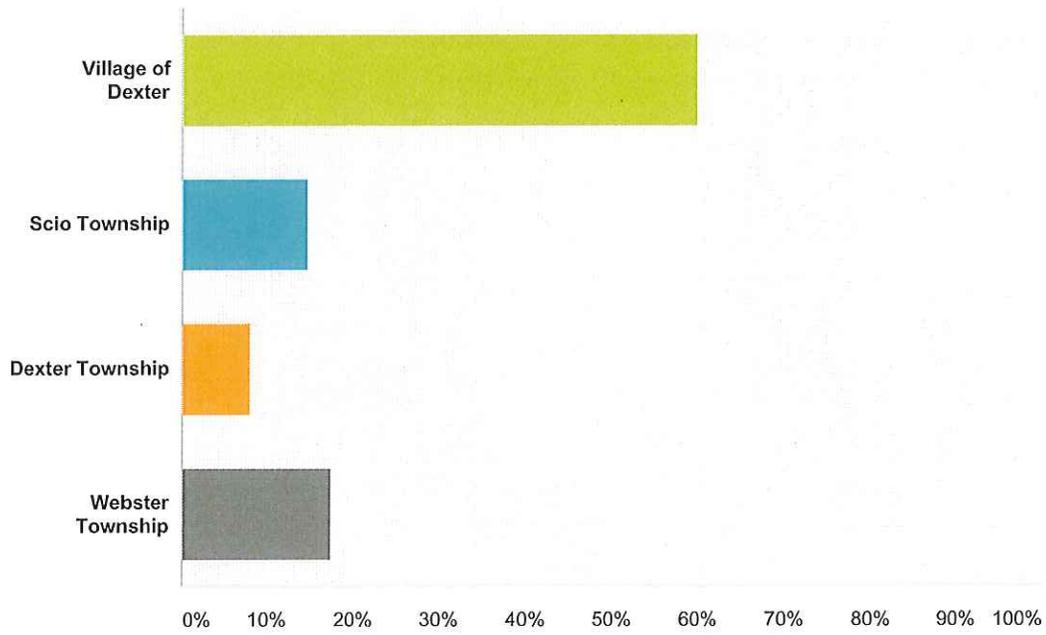
Answered: 75 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses	
Less than 1 year	6.67%	5
1 to 5 years	21.33%	16
5 to 20 years	53.33%	40
More than 20 years	18.67%	14
Total		75

Q2 In which area of Dexter do you reside?

Answered: 75 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses	
Village of Dexter	60.00%	45
Scio Township	14.67%	11
Dexter Township	8.00%	6
Webster Township	17.33%	13
Total		75

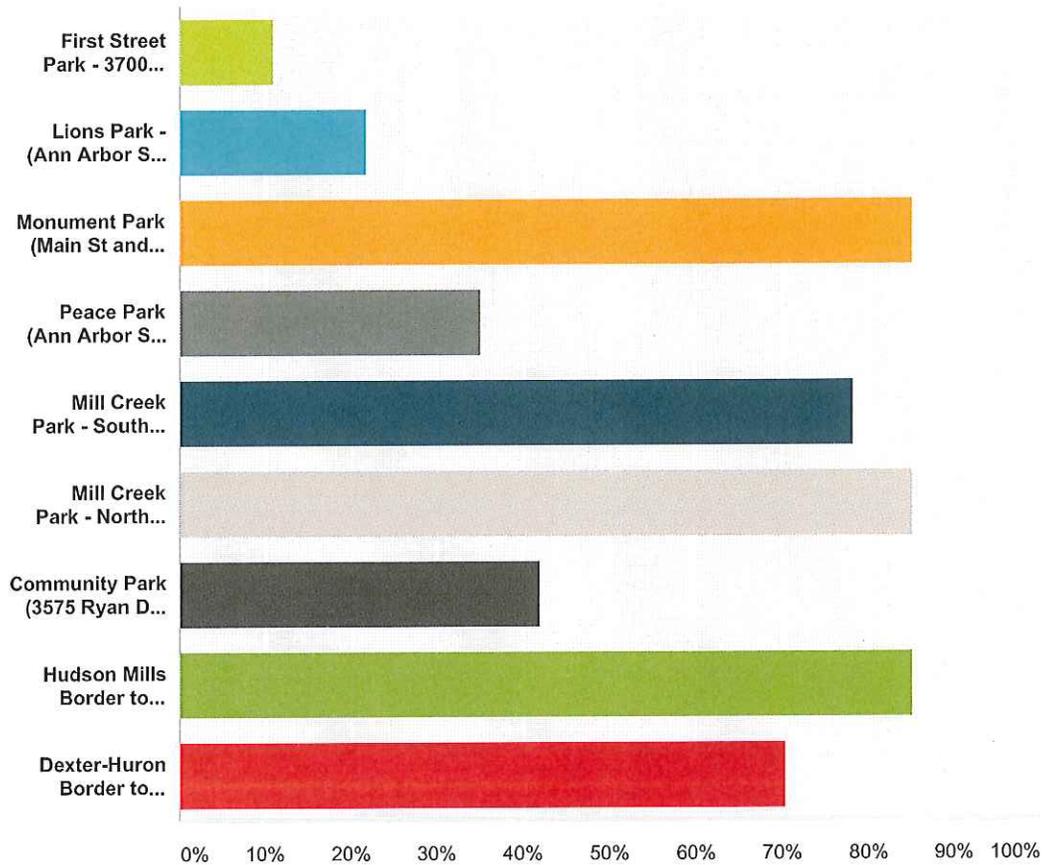
Q3 How many people live in your household in the following age group?

Answered: 75 Skipped: 0

Under the age of 5												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	more than 9	Total
Total	50.00% 13	34.62% 9	11.54% 3	3.85% 1	0.00% 0	26						
5-10 years of age												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	more than 9	Total
Total	35.48% 11	38.71% 12	25.81% 8	0.00% 0	31							
11-17 years of age												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	more than 9	Total
Total	50.00% 13	34.62% 9	15.38% 4	0.00% 0	26							
18-24 years of age												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	more than 9	Total
Total	77.78% 14	11.11% 2	11.11% 2	0.00% 0	18							
24-54 years of age												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	more than 9	Total
Total	15.38% 8	15.38% 8	67.31% 35	1.92% 1	0.00% 0	52						
55 years of age												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	more than 9	Total
Total	13.51% 5	29.73% 11	56.76% 21	0.00% 0	37							

Q4 Which parks and trails have you visited in the past year (check all that apply)

Answered: 74 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
First Street Park - 3700 Edison St (Also known as Horseshoe Park)	10.81% 8
Lions Park - (Ann Arbor St and Edison St)	21.62% 16
Monument Park (Main St and Central St)	85.14% 63
Peace Park (Ann Arbor St and Inverness St)	35.14% 26
Mill Creek Park - South (Main St and Jeffords St)	78.38% 58
Mill Creek Park - North (formerly Warrior Creek Park)	85.14% 63
Community Park (3575 Ryan Dr - Behind LaFontaine)	41.89% 31
Hudson Mills Border to Border Trail	85.14% 63
Dexter-Huron Border to Border Trail	70.27% 52
Total Respondents: 74	

Q5 If you have visited a park or trail within the Village in the past year, please provide feedback on your visit related to safety, cleanliness and amenities.

Answered: 56 Skipped: 19

#	Responses	Date
1	Love the trail!	10/25/2014 7:10 AM
2	Cyclists are a HUGE problem! I have been hit twice, resulting in a fall and an ER visit. My dog was hit, and was lame for a week! Cyclists seem to feel like the trail is their domain only. The proper thing to do is for them to call out to you to let you know they are passing you... and on which side! And when you're out there alone, there is nothing you can do. It really is a huge liability for the Village! Cyclists should be required to have prominent license plates on their bike. After I was hit, I had to stumble all the way home alone. I stopped by the Sheriff's office, obviously limping, to report it, and they just laughed!!! They were just sitting around, and not one of them would get off their assets to give me a ride home. If this happens to me again, and I end up in the ER, I will sue the village.	10/24/2014 9:09 PM
3	I love love the new connector B2B to Hudson Mills. Keep these coming and please please finish the connector to Dexter-Huron.	10/24/2014 6:56 PM
4	The black top path at Community Park needs to be replaced/repaired	10/24/2014 3:46 PM
5	All are maintained wonderfully! I do think that Horseshoe park could use improvements. New horseshoes and picnic.	10/24/2014 9:34 AM
6	Love all of them. All I like to do is walk.	10/22/2014 2:01 PM
7	The parks always appear to be safe and clean. Sometimes Monument Park has trash from the DQ. Maybe the DQ staff should monitor the garbage can and surrounding area in Monument park on the weekends?	10/22/2014 6:10 AM
8	Clean and well kept.	10/20/2014 7:49 PM
9	Need more handicap parking	10/20/2014 8:38 AM
10	They are clean and safe, each park has trash cans and they are usually full so people are definitely using them	10/19/2014 11:16 AM
11	We have visited the Community Park with our children and grandchildren and have been very pleased with its amenities. It is close to us and very handy for us to walk to and use. We have ridden our bikes on the Border to Border Trail and love it. So well kept and marked.	10/18/2014 8:39 PM
12	Felt very safe -- also no litter observed.	10/18/2014 12:38 PM
13	Very nice. Thank you.	10/18/2014 12:37 PM
14	Loved it great job. Maybe think about installing the emergency phones along the border to border trail	10/18/2014 9:18 AM
15	They were clean. There are trash cans and porta potties. We typically go for the play structures.	10/18/2014 8:29 AM
16	Yes. Very clean, beautiful and safe.	10/17/2014 9:31 PM
17	Very well kept. I especially love the new Mill Creek park.	10/17/2014 9:08 PM
18	Love the B2B and Warrior Park is great, but needs more equipment. Would love to see a park with playground equipment at Copeland as young families are migrating back to the village. I heard this is on the radar, this is an excellent idea!!	10/17/2014 8:53 PM
19	Both parks have always been free of liter and a lovely place to take our grandchildren.	10/17/2014 8:22 PM
20	The only complaint would be that not every dog owner picks up after their dog.	10/17/2014 5:04 PM
21	Excessive focus on safety - starting to lose the fact that it's outdoors. Too much paving (trails) of green spaces.	10/17/2014 3:49 PM
22	All good.	10/17/2014 1:49 PM

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23	It was clean and safe. The benches provided were adequate.	10/17/2014 8:18 AM
24	The Border to Border trail from Westridge to Hudson Mills and into town is fantastic!	10/16/2014 9:05 PM
25	Wonderfull	10/16/2014 9:16 AM
26	Very clean and have typical amenities; better lighting along the path at night would be appreciated. Use solar powered lights that aren't too bright but it's a safety concern, especially walking from west ridge into town at night. We lived in the sub for five years, and while it is incredible to have a much more safe way to get into town - a lot more residents would walk into town for dinner/activities after dark if there was better lighting. Also, I haven't noticed any emergency call boxes or buttons to push on the trails or in parks; as sad as it is, it's probably only a matter of time before someone is going to need to use one	10/16/2014 7:55 AM
27	Just a beautiful experience!	10/16/2014 1:42 AM
28	Very nice!	10/15/2014 11:45 PM
29	Clean	10/15/2014 10:59 PM
30	Wonderful	10/15/2014 9:11 PM
31	Good. I wish people would leash pets and clean up after so they don't ruin it for the rest of us. Is there a way to enforce leashing	10/15/2014 9:09 PM
32	GREAT!!!	10/15/2014 7:43 PM
33	Clean, safe and wonderful	10/15/2014 6:28 PM
34	Excellent	10/15/2014 5:24 PM
35	They are beautiful except not enough parking behind fire hall. Always feel safe, always well maintained.	10/15/2014 5:08 PM
36	all pretty good :)	10/15/2014 4:59 PM
37	Great, but warrior creek needs lots more trash receptacles for dog and a&w in summer. Monument does too. The grass is always green-how do you do it?	10/15/2014 3:55 PM
38	Trash cans need to be emptied more frequently. Dairy Queen cups and spoons seem to end up in the water at Mill Creek Park.	10/15/2014 3:55 PM
39	The Hudson Mills trail is great! Can't wait to get a legal link to the Dexter-Huron trail from downtown Dexter.	10/15/2014 3:38 PM
40	Border to Border trails are excellent. Clean. Mill Creek is a huge improvement.	10/15/2014 3:16 PM
41	Felt safe except for bikers not slowing down, very clean was a little annoyed with RUDE bikers, they thought trail was for them only.	10/15/2014 3:11 PM
42	I have generally been very pleased with the conditions of the Village's parks	10/15/2014 3:11 PM
43	Love it SO much! Clean and beautiful! Please finish the trail!	10/15/2014 2:55 PM
44	Parking behind the fire station needs less spots for Kayakers and more for others trying to use the trail and/or playground. Love the sculptures in the mill creek park south. They are tasteful and not tacky!	10/15/2014 2:49 PM
45	Very clean and safe.	10/15/2014 2:44 PM
46	The parks are wonderful, and we show them off to guests whenever they visit.	10/15/2014 2:29 PM
47	No problems.	10/15/2014 2:27 PM
48	I would love to see more play structures for kids, but overall I am very happy.	10/15/2014 2:15 PM
49	We were very pleased by nearly everything we saw. The people who maintain the parks and trails do a first-rate job in keeping vegetation trimmed, things in good repair, and everything looking fine. It all looked safe to me. The only thing I would recommend is more playground equipment for kids, equipment that is similar to what other parks have, including sprawling vinyl units of slides, stairs, ropes, bridges, etc.	10/15/2014 2:11 PM
50	Love the new Border to Border Trail additions.	10/15/2014 2:06 PM
51	They are clean and safe.	10/15/2014 2:06 PM
52	All the parks seem very clean, well manicured and provide nice amenities such as benches, playground equipment, walking paths and/or green spaces	10/15/2014 1:59 PM

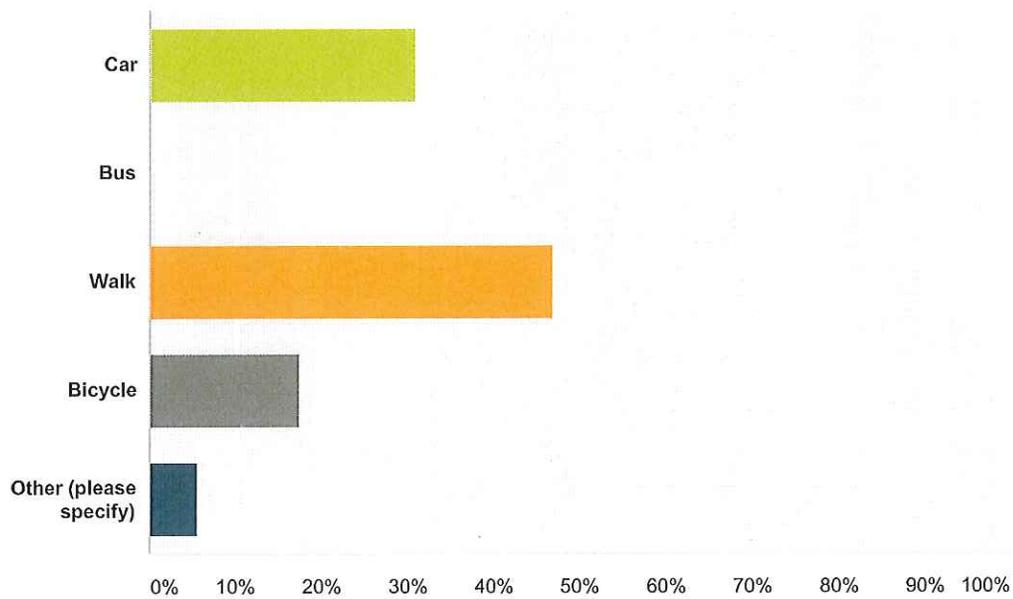
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53	Am very happy we have these trails. The entrance to the Dexter-Huron BB trail is not very clear. Would like to have more than one entrance.	10/15/2014 1:52 PM
54	More benches, porta johns, 911 emergency phones needed on border to border trail.	10/15/2014 1:49 PM
55	Dexter has been keeping up its parks beautifully. I am SO excited to hear the Dexter/Huron MUP trail might really get completed!	10/11/2014 8:49 AM
56	I'm happy with the condition of our parks.	10/10/2014 5:47 PM

Q6 How do you typically get to Village parks and trails?

Answered: 75 Skipped: 0

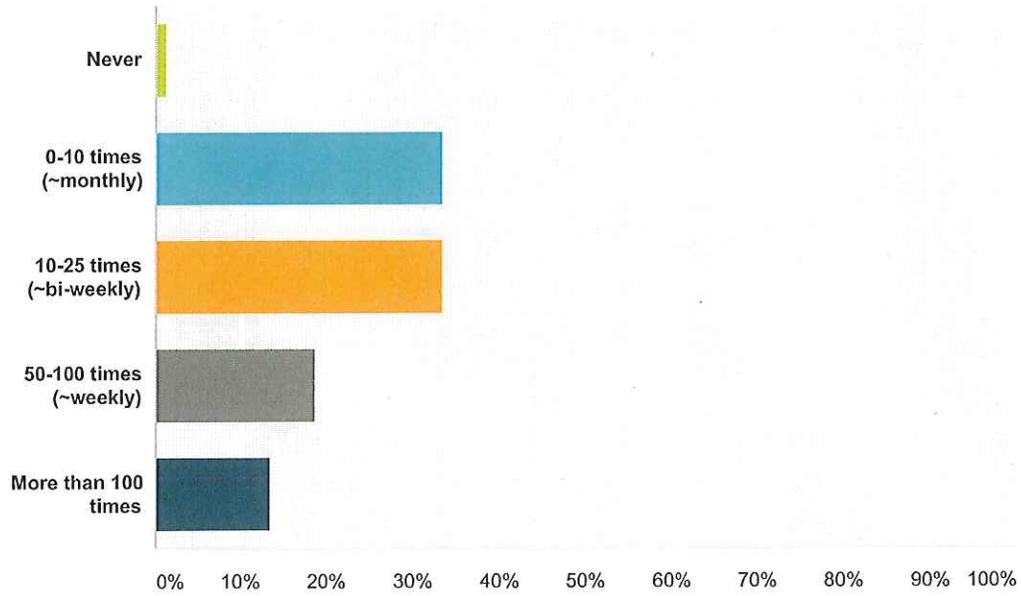


Answer Choices	Responses	
Car	30.67%	23
Bus	0.00%	0
Walk	46.67%	35
Bicycle	17.33%	13
Other (please specify)	5.33%	4
Total		75

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Jog	10/21/2014 8:22 AM
2	Varies	10/17/2014 3:49 PM
3	Both car and walk	10/15/2014 9:11 PM
4	Do Not Use	10/15/2014 1:50 PM

Q7 How often have you visited parks within the Village in the past year?

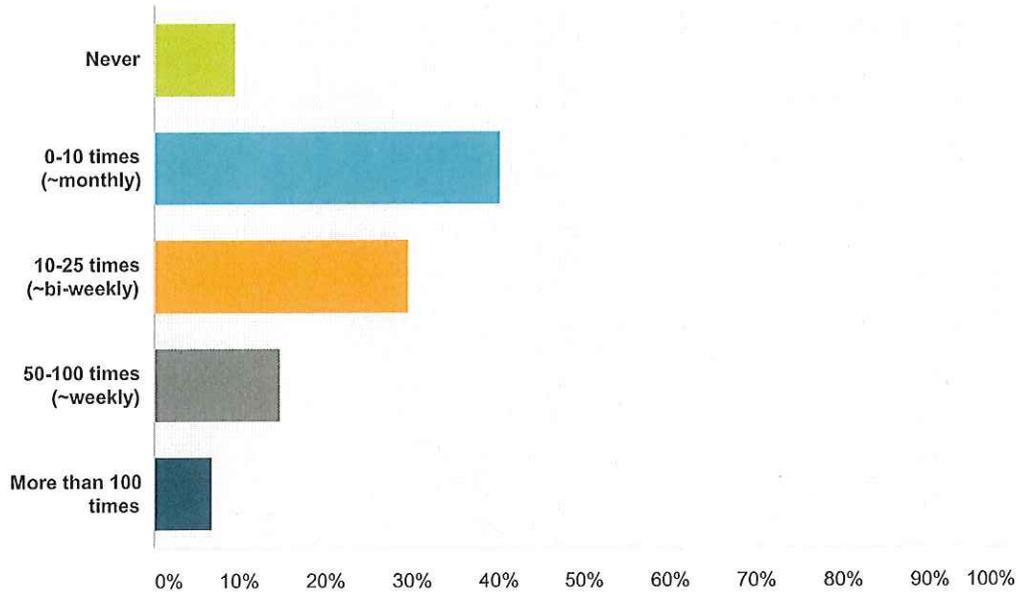
Answered: 75 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses	
Never	1.33%	1
0-10 times (~monthly)	33.33%	25
10-25 times (~bi-weekly)	33.33%	25
50-100 times (~weekly)	18.67%	14
More than 100 times	13.33%	10
Total		75

Q8 How often have you used trails within the Village in the past year?

Answered: 75 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
Never	9.33% 7
0-10 times (~monthly)	40.00% 30
10-25 times (~bi-weekly)	29.33% 22
50-100 times (~weekly)	14.67% 11
More than 100 times	6.67% 5
Total	75

Q9 What changes, new amenities or programs would you like to see within the Village's park system over the next 5 years?

Answered: 75 Skipped: 0

#	Responses	Date
1	I really like all that has been done. Nice job! I really just want to see the Border to Border trails maintained as they are. This has been such a great addition to Dexter!	10/25/2014 7:10 AM
2	Get rid of the Rockabilly bands on Friday nights, and hire real musicians...not just cover bands. And why not have a good jazz band night. And a night with a band that young people would enjoy. I was told by "Brian" that there will never be jazz in the park because HE doesn't like it. "All that improvisation" bothers him. Well, Improvisation IS jazz. Why is no one other than a small group of people allowed to have a say on what music gets played every Friday all summer long?! Consider putting up security cams on the trail. Please make an effort to keep pedestrians safe.	10/24/2014 9:09 PM
3	Added trails to close neighboring towns... Chelsea...Ann Arbor	10/24/2014 6:56 PM
4	More trash receptacles, dog poop clean-up bag dispensers in existing parks. A new dog park/designated area would be wonderful.	10/24/2014 4:16 PM
5	A better way to control the speed of bikers on the trails. Many travel fast and never say passing on the left. Dangerous situation. Often keeps me off the paths because I fear getting hit.	10/24/2014 3:46 PM
6	Extending the border to border trail further	10/24/2014 9:34 AM
7	Connectors from Mill Creek Park to the trails around Creekside, to the trail to the high school to the parking pad park near Bloom Nursery. Also finishing the B2B trail from Dexter-Huron to Central Ave.	10/22/2014 2:01 PM
8	Within the trail system I think emergency call boxes could be useful in the event of an emergency along with better markers to identify where the potential emergency situation occurred.	10/22/2014 6:10 AM
9	More plumbed bathrooms	10/21/2014 8:22 AM
10	Signage of plants, etc.would be nice!	10/20/2014 7:49 PM
11	handicap parking at Mill Creek Park. Canoe parking has many but only one handicap space. You also need to pave parking behind fire station.	10/20/2014 8:38 AM
12	i like them the way they are	10/20/2014 7:12 AM
13	I can't think of anything else, sometimes if it works it's best not to fix it...	10/19/2014 11:16 AM
14	Nice parks now	10/19/2014 7:34 AM
15	The walkway at the Community Park needs repair.	10/18/2014 8:39 PM
16	Just keep up the good work.	10/18/2014 12:38 PM
17	Dog park in Dexter	10/18/2014 12:37 PM
18	N/A	10/18/2014 9:18 AM
19	Rock climbing or bouldering opportunities would be nice. We like the yoga classes.	10/18/2014 8:29 AM
20	Continued expansion, winter maintenance for walking and running.	10/17/2014 9:31 PM
21	A municipal pool with a splash pad would be amazing! Dexter needs an outdoor pool area for families!	10/17/2014 9:15 PM
22	bathroom facilities in the downtown area	10/17/2014 9:08 PM
23	A sidewalk down Huron River Drive so we can GET to the Border to Border trail. So crazy to have to get in the car to get to it from our house in Brookside Ct.	10/17/2014 9:01 PM

24	A splash pad would be amazing in Dexter, since there is no outdoor pool. Better yet, a zero-entry outdoor pool/municipal pool with a splash pad area! Also, more playground equipment - even warrior park could use more playground equipment. The one that is there is not very large, esp when many kids are there! Keep up the great work on the emphastructure of downtown!	10/17/2014 8:53 PM
25	Fix the walkway in the Community park.	10/17/2014 8:22 PM
26	In door rest rooms	10/17/2014 5:04 PM
27	There are no neighborhood baseball diamonds were kids can bike to an play a game. Were do kids fly kites or model rockets? We should not be frightened of a lawn and see it as something that needs to be fixtured, fenced or paved. The asphalt and concrete paths are out of control. I would like to use the park budget to install dozens of traffic control devices in Westridge and Dexter Crossing. Turning Circles, narrowed paving, speed bumps, flashing speed signs - anything the Parks Commission can come up with.	10/17/2014 3:49 PM
28	More trash cans, bathrooms.	10/17/2014 1:49 PM
29	Don't know. I think they are really nice. If anything maybe some patrols occasionally.	10/17/2014 11:52 AM
30	Extension of the border to border trail.	10/17/2014 9:49 AM
31	More events in the parks that draw people to Dexter.	10/17/2014 8:18 AM
32	Will the The Border to Border trail from Westridge to Hudson Mills have snow removal in the winter? If not, I would like to see that, so it could be used all year round.	10/16/2014 9:05 PM
33	School playgrounds are great for kids. But we would like to see more active parks for adult softball or pickup basketball games. School playgrounds are not maintained during the summer. Would be nice for village to maintain active park during summer for games that was closer to downtown neighborhoods.	10/16/2014 4:35 PM
34	Just keep doing what you are doing - our parks are amazing!	10/16/2014 9:16 AM
35	More activities for families - nature crafts, educational, seasonal It's great to see so many folks in town with bike racks on their cars, using the new trail and coming back into town for lunch/shopping - all good things for the village. There is more opportunity for formal and informal rides that launch from mill creek, partnering with local businesses for food, support could have a lot of potential Mill creek front is getting much better with the industrial building being removed. I haven't seen the zoning plan for that moving forward but there is so much opportunity for additional green space there. Skate park like what's at vets park in aa - some place to engage the youth of the village, something to get them outside more often. I use the trail everyday and visit mill creek almost daily with my son and there are very few teenagers using this space. It's setup for younger kids or adults - design doesn't attract young adults/teenagers. This space could be used for the great American backyard campout in June every year and so many other engaging activities. Drinking water somewhere in mill creek would be great for folks running/biking to fill up their bottles.	10/16/2014 7:55 AM
36	More benches.	10/16/2014 1:42 AM
37	Good question. So many good things are happening. Hard to imagine more. I still worry about safety at the DQ crosswalk. The traffic seems to be getting more dense in that area. What can be done to make the walk to the park feel more safe?	10/15/2014 11:45 PM
38	More play areas for little kids	10/15/2014 10:59 PM
39	Continued development of parks within the village.	10/15/2014 9:37 PM
40	They are absolutly wonderful	10/15/2014 9:11 PM
41	More naturalist programs in village...bring hudson mills programs to us!	10/15/2014 9:09 PM
42	Enhancement of more plant life.	10/15/2014 7:43 PM
43	Love everything you are doing!	10/15/2014 6:28 PM
44	Continue to maintain and enhance the lovely flowering perennials in the Mill Creek Park- South.	10/15/2014 5:24 PM
45	Kayak/canoe rentals	10/15/2014 5:08 PM
46	not sure	10/15/2014 4:59 PM
47	Permanent bounce houses, dog runs, drinking fountains	10/15/2014 4:02 PM
48	Connection from new path to creek side directly.	10/15/2014 3:55 PM

49	I would like to see it maintained and kept beautiful for everyone.	10/15/2014 3:55 PM
50	The parks in the Village are wonderful. Keep up the good work!	10/15/2014 3:38 PM
51	More trails please. More natural space please. Love to see more organized activities like the summer yoga in the park. Bocce leagues? Group bike rides? Open mike music nights? Bonfire nights?	10/15/2014 3:38 PM
52	Continue the trail expansion. Maybe a snack bar or beverages available on busy weekends?	10/15/2014 3:16 PM
53	something done about bikers on border to border trails, feared for my grandchildren getting hit.	10/15/2014 3:11 PM
54	I love the trails and would love to see the Village develop/grow a master plan for the trails system, maximizing connectivity with community assets. It would also be nice to have physical restroom facilities in some of the park spaces.	10/15/2014 3:11 PM
55	More trails connecting to Chelsea and Ann arbor	10/15/2014 3:11 PM
56	Not sure.	10/15/2014 2:58 PM
57	Make the Huron trail more inviting by the bridge on mast. Lights and repave street by cider mill. That entrance to town should be as inviting as the others. Create a park/ play ground near the cider mill. It's a huge attraction for people coming to Dexter.	10/15/2014 2:55 PM
58	Signage on the B2B trail asking bikers to notify walkers as they approach from behind...numerous times I've been "surprised"...lucky for them I don't jump into their way! A friendly "on your left" spoken out or a bell would be nice.	10/15/2014 2:49 PM
59	More trails through Dexter since riding bikes along Dexter/Ann Arbor Road is hard with children.	10/15/2014 2:44 PM
60	Keep up the good work - Mill Creek Park is gorgeous!	10/15/2014 2:29 PM
61	I don't know what's available at the smaller parks we haven't visited. Maybe info and pics online somewhere?	10/15/2014 2:27 PM
62	A dog park would improve my life dramatically and increase my park visitation / walking / presence in the village. If it were downtown, I would stop by the local businesses more often.	10/15/2014 2:18 PM
63	Keep it up	10/15/2014 2:16 PM
64	I love the concert in the park series and would welcome an expansion of that. Maybe some kids activities as well.	10/15/2014 2:15 PM
65	guided nature walks or educational opportunities for kids	10/15/2014 2:11 PM
66	More big, elaborate play platforms for kids. More bike racks. More plaques, markers, etc., telling the public about what they are seeing and the history and geography of the sites.	10/15/2014 2:11 PM
67	Would love to see an outdoor community pool in Dexter. Would love to see more amenities for people tubing down the Huron River (designated entrance and exit areas with parking). A dog park would be nice.	10/15/2014 2:06 PM
68	Connecting Hudson Mills and the Huron Park B2B Trails.	10/15/2014 2:06 PM
69	I think the Village provides a nice variety of spaces for different uses. Continued expansion and improvement of overall park space should meet expressed community needs. Possibly more pocket park space. Considering the size of the Village (2.5 sq miles), the amount of existing Village park space and the amount of School owned open/park/play space we may be at sufficient overall space and need to look at use or re-purposing existing space.	10/15/2014 1:59 PM
70	Youth programs for teens especially. Not much to do for them outside of school in Dexter.	10/15/2014 1:56 PM
71	No suggestions at this time	10/15/2014 1:52 PM
72	Do not use so no opinion	10/15/2014 1:50 PM
73	Activities for kids.	10/15/2014 1:49 PM
74	Keep pushing forward on the bike trails connecting to other local ones so we can ride to local villages and parks without our cars!	10/11/2014 8:49 AM
75	The strength of a village like Dexter is its community atmosphere. I would love to see programs that get people out in all seasons--even winter!	10/10/2014 5:47 PM