

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2019 ANKENY PARKS & FACILITIES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Ankeny completed and approved its first Parks and Facilities Comprehensive Plan in 2007 (the 2007 Plan); and

WHEREAS, with the City experiencing a continuous record growth; the City Council determined that a primary strategic planning goal would be to update the current 2007 Plan to better maintain, enhance and prioritize Ankeny's existing and future parks and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, to meet Council's strategic planning goal, City staff undertook the process of creating the 2019 Ankeny Parks & Facilities Comprehensive Plan (the Plan); and

WHEREAS, the Plan was drafted through a yearlong public planning process including several sessions with the Advisory Committee, a public open house, online park input, a statistically valid survey of residents, community stakeholder meetings, City staff input and professional consultation and management provided by Confluence; and

WHEREAS, the Plan establishes goals, timelines and guiding principles for the management of the City's developed parks, trails, recreation programs and open space improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City has invested significant funds to develop and maintain public parklands and recreational improvements to support the health, wellness and economic benefit of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Plan delivers a template for the continued support that Parks and Recreation provides to the community; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2019 at the regular monthly meeting of the Ankeny Parks & Recreation Board, the Board voted unanimously to recommend adoption of the Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ankeny, Iowa, that the City Council hereby adopts the 2019 City of Ankeny Parks & Facilities Comprehensive Plan.

DATED this 18th day of February 2019.

Gary Lorenz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra M. Arend, Interim City Clerk