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**City of Trinidad
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
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Preface

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Master Plan provides a framework to guide the City Council and city staff in the establishment of a Parks and Recreation system in the City of Trinidad. The Plan includes recommendations on and prioritization of specific projects that the City may undertake to implement this framework. The plan is not intended to limit the city exclusively to the specific projects and programs listed in the plan nor to their timing. It is intended instead that should opportunities arise (i.e. specific parcels of land become available or grant funding is available) which further the objectives of this plan, the city may choose to pursue those opportunities.

The funding of the recommendations contained in this plan was not considered at this time. The City Council will, through its budget process, determine the appropriate combination of existing city funds, growth impact fees, grant funds and general obligation bonds or tax levies.

Amendments to the plan can be considered annually, and a thorough review of Parks and Recreation Plans should be done every five to six years to ensure that the plan remains current and that it reflects the community's changing needs.

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1 INTRODUCTION

A parks and recreation system is one which covers a wide and varied range of items. Some needs require a quiet, serene setting, while others are best suited for an audience. Some activities need a specialized setting, such as a golf course, or can be easily adapted to most environments, such as enjoying a picnic.

To address this broad range of needs and desires the City of Trinidad has implemented a Parks and Recreation Department. While Trinidad has always had traditional parks and recreation facilities such as baseball fields, basketball courts, and a children's fishing pond, they also have many modern facilities including a skate park, disc golf course and an ever expanding trail system. Together all of these items make Trinidad's Park and Recreation system a diverse and unique environment.

Trinidad is located along the historic Santa Fe Trail and has been a center of activity for this area for many years. Ranching first brought many settlers to the Trinidad area in part because of Trinidad's railroad stops. It was coal, discovered to the west of Trinidad, which became a primary business in Trinidad for many years to come. Today, the extraction of natural gas in the mountains west of Trinidad continues to fuel the economy.

Trinidad is the most southerly city located along Interstate 25 and is centrally located between Denver and Albuquerque. A Visitor's Center located near downtown draws many visitors throughout the year.

In addition to the traditional park and recreation system, Trinidad's history has created a wealth of attractions for visitors and locals alike. Trinidad presently has 4 museums, that includes a history, children, art and an archaeology museum

Trinidad is also located in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, and has great access to both State and National parks. Many opportunities for hunting, fishing and hiking can be found within an hour's travel from Trinidad.

Trinidad Lake State Park is located 5 miles west of Trinidad, nestled in the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. The park contains 2,500 acres and offers a wide variety of activities. Nine miles of trails wind around the lake, and the 800 acre lake offers plenty of opportunities for fishing and boating alike.

The San Isabel National Forest is located along the northwesterly boundary of Las Animas County. The national forest contains in total over 1 million acres, and is home to many different animals including elk, mule deer, black bear, bighorn sheep, wild turkey among others that make their home within the forest.

Trinidad is also located within a short drive of some popular skiing destinations including Monarch, Wolf Creek, Taos, Red River and Angel Fire.

1.1 Purpose of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Trinidad adopted a Home Rule Charter in 1993), and pursuant to said charter in Section 8.6 a Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee was established. The committee is to be comprised of (7) members to be appointed by City Council. The committee is charged with annually creating a Parks and Recreation Master Plan. This master plan is the result of a cooperative effort between citizens of the Trinidad, Trinidad Parks and Recreation personnel, Mayor, City Council and City Staff, and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

Trinidad and the surrounding area will continue to grow, and this in turn will put a greater demand on the existing facilities. It is important that our parks and recreation facilities keep pace with the communities needs. This plan is to be used as a guide for meeting both present needs and to help anticipate for the future.

1.2 Goals and Objectives

The following goals and objectives were developed based upon the existing park and recreation systems found throughout Trinidad and the surrounding area, outreach surveys of the general public, the input of the Parks and Recreation Department Superintendents, and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

The objective of this plan is to ensure that the elements defined herein continue to identify Trinidad as a diverse city, reinforce its sense of place and establish an overall character for its parks and recreation system. These also work to preserve the character of the single family residential neighborhoods, actively protect the natural resources and open spaces, offer an attractive and vital pedestrian oriented city center, provide a network of parks, trails, open spaces and recreational facilities, and is a good partner with citizens and governments throughout the region.

Based on the above objectives, the goals set forth in this Master Plan are as follows:

- Support a parks and recreation program to meet the growing needs of the community, by providing support for immediate and short term needs of existing parks, provide for long term planning for the parks system and provide for recreational facilities, programs and opportunities which are applicable to all ages within the community.
- Determine practical means of maintaining and upgrading existing facilities to a prescribed standard and purpose.
- Support the orderly development and operation of existing parkland, and to support the acquisition of future park lands while preserving and protecting the natural resources found throughout the community.
- Promote community interest and involvement in the acquisition, development and operation of the park and recreation system.
- Establish a Urban Forest sub-committee to address, develop, help facilitate and update a plan for the development, conservation and care of the urban resources of the City.

2 NEEDS ANALYSIS

2.1 Trinidad Demographics

According to the 1990 census, the population of Trinidad was 8,580 people with 3,410 households, as shown on Table 1. The median age was 37.6 years of age, and the average household size was 2.40 persons. By the year 2000, the population of Trinidad is 9,078 people, with 3,701 households. The average household size was 2.36 persons with a median age of 38.9 years.

I. Population and Household Trends 1990-2000						
Characteristic	1990		2000		Change 1990-2000	Percent Change
Total Population	8,580		9,078		498	5.8%
Households	3410		3701		291	8.5%
Average HH size	2.4		2.36		-0.04	-1.7%
Families	2,210		2,334		124	5.6%
Median Age	37.6		38.9		1.3	3.5%
II. Population by Age 1990-2000						
Population by Age	1990	Percent	2000	Percent	Change 1990-2000	Percent Change
Under 5 years	541	6%	588	6%	47	8%
5 to 24 years	2,445	29%	2,522	28%	77	3%
25 to 44 years	2,119	25%	2,199	24%	80	4%
45 to 64 years	1,630	19%	2,052	23%	422	21%
65 years and over	1,845	22%	1,717	19%	-128	-7%
Males	4,066	47%	4,363	48%	297	7%
Females	4,514	53%	4,715	52%	201	4%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Table 1-Demographics

From the data provided, between the years 1990 and 2000, the overall growth rate was 5.8%, with an annual growth rate of 0.6%, Las Animas County experienced an overall growth rate of 10.5%, with an annual growth rate of 1.0%, and the State of Colorado experienced an overall growth rate of 30.6%, with an annual growth rate of 2.7%.

For the purposes of this master plan, the projected growth of Trinidad was based upon an average growth rate of 1.8%. This exponential projection was done to illustrate an order of magnitude to which the potential population may be by the year 2020.

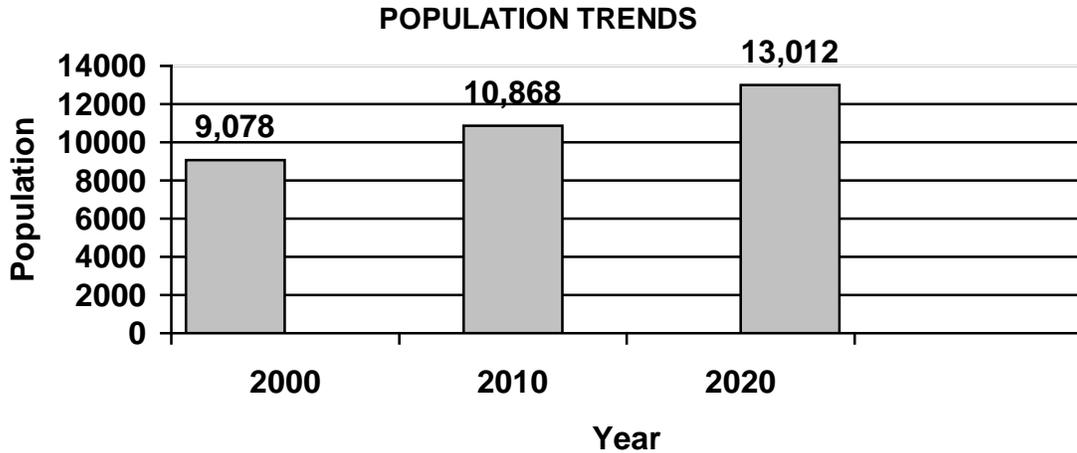


Table 1 - Population Trends

The population discussed to this point has been concerned with the citizens within the city limits. However, Trinidad also receives numerous tourists, many of whom use the park facilities.

Trinidad is also the commercial and economic center of Las Animas County in addition to being the County Seat. The result is that many families from around the county also avail themselves of the park and recreation facilities that are available in the city. City staff estimates that 25-30% of the participants in recreation programs are from outside of the city limits.

This non-resident use does provide some benefits though the exact effect on the park and recreation system is tough to quantify. Their numbers are therefore not included in the level of service calculations, though their impact should continue to be monitored so as to make adjustments for future planning consideration.

2.2 Park Classifications

Not all park facilities are the same. Some parks are small, open spaces; others may contain small, specialized facilities such as playground equipment or a memorial, while others contain a large combination of facilities. To better identify and compare parks of equal size, facilities and the ultimate potential a park can achieve, a classification system was recommended to help identify where each park fits within the overall parks and recreations system.

Mini Park

A mini park is the smallest classification of parks. They often located in isolated areas, including landscaped areas within industrial or commercial zones and scenic overlooks. Typically these parks are between 1500 square feet to 2 acres.

Mini parks are often oriented toward active uses such as playgrounds, tennis courts, horseshoes and play fields. Passive uses, such as picnic areas, walking trails, and bird watching are also essential elements to the mini park system.

Neighborhood Park

Neighborhood parks are the most common element in the parks and recreation system. They are developed for both active and passive activities, and are generally for the residents within the service area.

The National Recreation and Parks Association recommends the neighborhood park to be between 5 to 10 acres in size. Due to Trinidad's smaller size and rural location, a size from 2 to 5 acres is the size recommended for Trinidad.

A primary reason for residents to go to a park is to have a pleasant outdoor experience. Therefore neighborhood parks should be easily accessible and have aesthetic qualities that make the park enjoyable on every trip. Small, undesirable, leftover parcels within neighborhoods should be avoided.

There should be an even distribution of neighborhood parks throughout the city of Trinidad whenever the opportunity and feasibility will allow. Neighborhood parks should serve both the Trinidad community and the surrounding region.

Community Park

Community parks are the largest classification, ranging in size from 10 acres and up. These parks have a broader service area, and have a wider range of both active and passive activities. Community parks allow for group activities and allow for recreational opportunities that are not feasible in mini parks and neighborhood parks.

Trails and Linear Park

The trails and linear parks include open space, wildlife corridors, sensitive areas (wetlands, steep slopes, flood plains, etc.), arroyos and stream corridors, and streetscapes. These create a network of open space throughout Trinidad and connect the community to its natural surroundings. The Purgatoire River is the central theme within the overall trail system. Public access, such as trails and overlooks, should continue to be provided

within and/or adjacent to these natural systems to enhance the public’s experience of Trinidad’s natural resources while creating a balance between the desire for public access and the protection of the natural systems.

Since these facilities are often irregular in nature and can be expanded upon as opportunities arise, no size standard exists for this classification.

Special Use Parks

These parks cover a wide range of activities that are specific to that particular park. They can be small in size, such as tennis courts, or can be large such as Trinidad Municipal Golf Course and Monument Lake. Due to many variables, no size standard exists for this classification.

Summary of Park Classification

Shown in Table 2 below, each park classification is shown along with the general size ranges and the area to be served by each type.

Park Type	Size Range	Service Area	Key Feature
Mini Park	1,500 sf to 2 acres	1/4-mile radius	Located within neighborhoods. Picnic area, open space, front on one or more streets
Neighborhood Park	2 acres to 5 acres	½-mile radius	Easily accessible to neighborhood population, picnic area (pavilion if possible), open space, playground, basketball, multi-use courts.
Community Park	5 acres plus	2 mile radius	Recreation center, Softball/baseball fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, swimming pool, parking lot, restrooms, natural area, connection to trail system.
Trails and Linear Parks	No applicable standard	Varies	Built or natural corridors, such as utility rights-of-way, link other components of the park and recreation system.
Special Use	No applicable standard	Varies	Located within community.

Table 2-Park Classifications

Recreation Facilities

Recreation facilities should be linked to the trails system, as well as public and civic facilities, local neighborhoods and schools. Outdoor and indoor activity recreation facilities should primarily be provided at existing facilities. Recreation facilities can be stand alone items, but are often located within either neighborhood or community parks and further enhance that parks overall aesthetics.

These facilities should be upgraded, whenever the opportunity and feasibility will allow, meeting the highest quality practice and competitive playing standards and requirements for all age groups, skill levels and recreational interests on a year-round basis. Sustainable practices should be used in developing recreation facilities whenever

possible.

Recreation Programs

A convenient, organized and easily accessible system outlining recreation programs available to Trinidad residents should be provided for all age groups, physical/mental capability and income groups within the community.

2.3 Level of Service - Park System

Trinidad currently has 20 parks, with a total of approximately 97 acres. A detailed summary of each park is shown in Section 6.

Based upon the park classifications shown above, a tabulation of each park is shown in Table 3. A level of service is also calculated for each park classification and for the entire park system. The level of service is a ratio of a park's area or the number of recreational facilities to the population. This ratio is shown expressed usually based on one thousand citizens. For example, if a community has 10,000 citizens, and 10 acres of park area, the level of service is 1.0, or 1 acre per 1,000 citizens.

The level of service allows a community to have a relative measure of its services in comparison to other communities. It is also a useful tool to help in anticipating the future needs of a community. It is also a standard to which future developments can be held up to.

PARK TYPE/FACILITY NAME	TOTAL ACRES	DEVELOPED ACRES	UNDEVELOPED ACRES	NON-CITY PERSONNEL CONTROLLED/ MAINTAINED
MINI PARK				
Denver St. Playground	0.34	0.34		
Victoria Square	0.48	0.48		
Ninth & Portland	0.47	0.47		
Miner's Memorial Park	0.13	0.13		
City Hall / C&S Train	0.34	0.34		
Pine & Willow Street Intersection	0.13	0.13		
Santa Fe Park	1.78	1.78		
Welcome Center	0.05	0.05		
Public Library	0.14	0.14		
<i>Mini Park Total</i>	3.86	3.86		
<i>LOS (2000 census)</i>	0.43	0.43		
NEIGHBORHOOD PARK				
Kit Carson Park	5.70	5.70		
Eagle Rock Phase 1	1.37		1.37	
Downtown Park	2.00	2.00*		
Reserve at Fishers Peak	6.57		6.57	
Los Ninos	3.43	3.43		
<i>Neighborhood Park Total</i>	19.07	11.13	7.94	
<i>LOS (2000 census)</i>	2.10	1.23	0.87	
COMMUNITY PARK				
Central Park	14.93	10.93		4.00
Southside Park	51.37	28.31	23.06	
<i>Community Park Total</i>	66.30	39.24	23.06	4.00
<i>LOS (2000 census)</i>	7.30	4.32	2.54	0.44
TRAIL AND LINEAR PARK				
Purgatoire River Walk System	4.85	4.85		
Open space within Eagle Rock	1.42			1.42
Alta Ave. & Colorado Ave. ROW	1.18	1.18		
Downtown Plaza	N/A			1.42
Santa Fe Trail Sidewalk	0.23	0.23		
<i>Trail and Linear Park Total</i>	7.68	6.26		1.42
<i>LOS (2000 census)</i>	0.85	0.69		0.16
SPECIAL USE PARK				
Municipal Swimming Pool	0.81	0.81		
<i>Special Use Park Total</i>	0.81	0.81	0.00	0.00
<i>LOS (2000 census)</i>	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.00
PARKS TOTAL	97.72	61.30	31.00	6.79
LOS (2000 census)	10.76	6.75	3.41	0.75

Table 3-Existing Level of Service

* To be developed in the near future

The level of service shown in Table 3 shows that Trinidad has a overall park are of 97.72

acres with a population of 9,078 people, which calculates to a overall level of service of 10.76. It should be noted that Monument Lake, containing 360 acres, North Lake, containing 840 acres and the Municipal Golf Course, containing 84.24 acres, were not considered at this time for these calculations, since these parks are special use facilities that are currently leased to outside entities. Also, the Downtown Park are was not calculated at this time, as this park encompasses various parts of the downtown area, including Main Street and Commercial Street, and attempting to quantify this would be very subjective. Total developed park area totals are 61.07 total acres, with a level of service of 6.73. Developed community parks contain 39.24 acres, with a level of service of 4.32, and developed neighborhood and mini-parks contain 14.99 acres, with a level of service of 1.65.

2.4 Desired Level of Service - Park System

Now that we have calculated the existing level of service, the next step is to recommend a desired level of service. A report was prepared in 2003 by RPI Consulting Inc, in conjunction with the Colorado Department of Local Affairs, titled “State of Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Planning Standards”. This report makes recommendations for park requirements for small communities that have a population of roughly 10,000 residents or less.

The standards contained in this report were intended to specifically address the unique needs of smaller communities. This standard is intended to be a guide only and not as an absolute. The method offered in the report is to have a single park dedication standard of 14 acres per 1,000 citizens. Rather than using a park’s size, the recommended areas are based upon recreation activities. The summary of recommended park size is shown below in Table 4.

Facility Category	Total Acres per 1,000 Citizens
Sports Fields (soccer, multi-use, baseball, football)	4.4
Courts (tennis, basketball, volleyball)	0.3
Outdoor Recreation (skate park, BMX, paved & dirt trails)	8.5
Leisure (playgrounds, picnic, general park land)	0.8
Other Recreational Facilities (swimming pool, hockey, outdoor events venue)	1.5

Table 4-DOLA Standards for Parks¹

Based on a comparison of Table 3 and Table 4, Trinidad’s present level of service of is 24% below the DOLA standards.

¹RPI Consulting, Inc. State of Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Planning Standards, pg 5

2.5 Level of Service - Park Facilities

Within each developed park are facilities, which give each park its own characteristics. Some parks may only contain single picnic areas or playground equipment, while other parks may contain a wide assortment of facilities.

Shown below in Table 5 are standards recommended to the City of Trinidad for its park facilities based upon a combination of the standards as reported in the 2003 DOLA report, community input and present levels of service.

Facility Category	Park system Facility	Recommended Level of Service
Sports Fields	Soccer / Multi-Use Field	0.95
	Ball Field / Baseball, Softball	0.61
Courts	Tennis Court	0.97
	Basketball Court	0.91
	Volleyball Court	0.13
Outdoor Recreation	Small Skate park (7000 sq. ft. footprint)	0.16
	Full-Sized Skate park (17,000+ sq. ft. footprint)	0.06
	BMX Track (Standard ABA Certified)	0.16
	Paved Multi-Use Trail (per mile)	1.04
	Dirt/Gravel Multi-Use Trail (per mile)	2.33
Leisure	Playgrounds (per 3200 sq. ft. of fully developed area)	0.16
	Family Picnic Area	6.25
	Group Picnic Area (with shelter)	0.36
	Park Bench	7.69
Other Recreational Facilities	Swimming Pool (outdoor)	0.12
	Ice Hockey Rink (full-sized, refrigerated, covered)	0.10
	Outdoor Events Venue (per acre)	0.42

Table 6-Standards for Parks Facilities¹

¹RPI Consulting, Inc. State of Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Planning Standards, pg 15

2.6 Current Level of Service - Park Facilities

Table 6 lists an inventory of the present facilities located within the Trinidad Parks system. The level of service calculations shown in Table 6 are based on the 2000 census bureau figures.

ACTIVITY/FACILITY	EXISTING UNITS	EXISTING OWNERSHIP	CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICE
Baseball/Softball Field (adult)	3	(2) CITY (1) TSJC/THS Lease	0.3
Baseball/Softball Field (youth)	4	CITY /TSJC	0.4
Basketball Court (Outdoor)	4	CITY	0.4
Soccer Field /Multi-Use Field	3	CITY	0.3
Playground	8	CITY	0.9
Recreation Center	1	CITY	0.1
Swimming Pool	1	CITY	0.1
Paved Trails (miles)	2.0	CITY	0.2
Skate Park	1	CITY	0.1
Tennis Courts	2	TSJC	0.2
Picnic table	35	CITY	3.9
Group Picnic Area (w/Shelter)	0	CITY	0.0
Bench	31	CITY	3.4

Table 6-Current Level of Service

2.7 Meeting Future Needs

Helping to identify areas of need in the future is one of the objectives of the Master Plan. To assist in this process, the following tables show future needs based on the recommended levels of service. This is to help allow for ample lead in time to prepare for the fiscal considerations of implementation and ownership of future parks and park facilities.

Table 7 shows future needs based on the projected city growth from Table 1, and using the recommended level of service as shown in Table 5, extended to the years 2010 and 2020.

ACTIVITY/ FACILITY	DOLA GUIDELINES		EXISTING UNITS	FUTURE NEEDS BASED UPON THE 2003 DOLA REPORT RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF SERVICE					
	UNITS PER POPULATION per DOLA GUIDELINES	LEVEL OF SERVICE		UNITS REQUIRED BASED ON 2000 POP.	CURRENT EXCESS/ (DEFICIT)	UNITS REQUIRED FOR 2010 POP.	2010 E/(D)	UNITS REQUIRE D FOR 2020 POP.	2020 E/(D)
Baseball/Softball Field	1 per 1,640	0.61	7	6	1	7	0	8	(1)
Basketball Court (Outdoor)	1 per 1,100	0.91	4	8	(4)	10	(6)	12	(8)
Soccer Field /Multi-Use Field	1 per 1,050	0.95	3	9	(6)	10	(7)	12	(9)
Playground	1 per 6,270	0.16	8	1	7	2	6	2	6
Recreation Center	(none given)	(none given)	1						
Swimming Pool	1 per 8,250	0.12	0.12	1	(0)	1	(0)	2	(1)
Paved Trails (miles)	1 per 960	1.04	4.0	9.4	(5.4)	11.3	(7.3)	13.5	(9.5)
Skate Park	1 per 6,410	0.16	1	1	(0)	2	(1)	2	(1)
Tennis Courts	1 per 1,030	0.97	2	9	(7)	11	(9)	13	(11)
Picnic table	1 per 160	6.25	35	57	(22)	68	(33)	81	(46)
Group Picnic Area (w/Shelter)	1 per 2,780	0.36	0	3	(3)	4	(4)	5	(5)
Bench	1 per 130	7.69	31	70	(39)	84	(53)	100	(69)

Table 7-Future Needs Based on Recommended Level of Service

Table 8 shows future needs based on the same projected growth from Table 1, but this time showing the current level of service, as shown in Table 6, extended to the years 2010 and 2020.

ACTIVITY/ FACILITY	EXISTING UNITS	CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICE	FUTURE NEEDS BASED ON CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICE			
			2010 POPULATION	2010 EXCESS/(DEFICIT)	2020 POPULATION	2020 EXCESS/ (DEFICIT)
Baseball/Softball Field (adult)	3	0.3	4	(1)	4	(1)
Baseball/Softball Field (youth)	4	0.4	5	(1)	6	(2)
Basketball Court (Outdoor)	3	0.3	4	(1)	4	(1)
Soccer Field /Multi-Use Field	3	0.3	4	(1)	4	(1)
Playground	8	0.9	10	(2)	11	(3)
Recreation Center	1	0.1	1	(0)	1	(0)
Paved Trails (miles)	4.0	0.4	4.8	(0.8)	5.7	(1.7)
Skate Park	1	0.1	1	(0)	1	(0)
Picnic table	35	3.9	42	(7)	50	(15)
Pavilion / Picnic shelter	0	0.0	0	(0)	0	(0)
Bench	31	3.4	37	(6)	44	(13)

Table 8-Future Needs Based on Current Level of Service

It should be noted that even for facilities for which the recommended and the existing levels of service do not differ, projected growth would necessitate additional facilities by 2010 and 2020.

By using the recommended DOLA level of service, by the year 2010, if the population grows as projected, the city will need the following:

- (7) new soccer fields
- (6) new basketball courts
- (7.3) miles of new trails

By simply maintaining the existing level of service, by the year 2010, if the population grows as projected, the city will need the following:

- (1) new adult baseball/softball field
- (1) new youth baseball/softball field
- (1) new soccer field
- (2) new playgrounds
- (0.8) miles of new trails

2.8 Conclusions

One item of importance is that some of the needs of the park and park facilities can be met by using facilities not owned or maintained by the City of Trinidad. These include County owned, State owned and home owner/property owner associations.

Mutually beneficial agreements with said outside agencies could be pursued to both meet some of the goals of the parks department and to help with the fiscal responsibility of the City of Trinidad.

The levels of service calculations shown hereon are a subjective item. These are goals based on ideal conditions, but it should be left to elected officials to determine the community's actual needs and the fiscal reality of implementing this plan. This plan is meant to state recreational ambitions and objectives and to serve as a blueprint to work from for future development. It is also understood that any proposed increased level of service is a multi year vision that is subject to the financial capacity of the City of Trinidad.

3 DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE

The design and the subsequent maintenance of a park and the related facilities are interrelated components of a park system. Both items play an important role when upgrading an existing park or developing a new park. The following recommendations are given to help assure that the parks system will meet the community's needs.

The design of a park should start by first determining what is the intent of the park. Whether the park is a mini-park to service the immediate neighborhood or a community park for the benefit of the entire city, the forethought of what that particular park is intended to accomplish goes into the planning process. Other steps are outlined below to help determine that minimum standards are being met to continue meeting Trinidad's growing needs.

3.1 Park Land

The City of Trinidad Subdivision Regulations are presently (or have presently) been revised and updated by City Staff. The subdivision regulations contain minimum standards for park land dedication in Section 14-2 B. (1), which recommends 1,000 square feet of park space per dwelling unit. Therefore, as per 2000 Census figures in Table 1, based on an average dwelling unit (ie. household) containing 2.36 persons, this would equate to a level of service of 9.73 acres per 1,000 persons. The recommendation made in the 2003 DOLA report as shown in Section 2.4 herein is 14 acres per 1,000 citizens, while the present level of service is 10.26 acres per 1,000 citizens. The minimum guidelines should be reviewed periodically to be certain that they are meeting the level of service that is desired by the community.

The subdivision regulations also contain certain standards including the amount of each park type to be dedicated based on the subdivision size. The subdivision regulations also provide for cash payment in lieu of dedication of land, as well as private park land in lieu of dedication of land. These alternatives allow for a certain amount of flexibility in the options available to both the City of Trinidad and the developer while continuing to provide the best park system possible.

3.2 Park Location

When a new park is proposed, the location is an important factor. To ensure that new parks are beneficial to the community, certain considerations can be taken into account when designing a park.

One factor is to determine if a certain park type is needed in that specific location. There would be no need to put 2 large neighborhood parks within a block of each other. Nor would it be useful to put parks too far apart and have entire neighborhoods with no park accessibility.

Access to a park is another factor into the site selection. Parks should have enough street

frontages or a dedicated parking area for all users to be able to readily access the park. It should also be easily accessible for the proper maintenance of the park.

The City's subdivision regulations also contain standards concerning parks that are encumbered by easements, drainages, detention ponds and other similar items. The parks and recreation advisory board recommends adopting these standards for all future park dedications.

3.3 Trees, Shrubs and Turf

One of the main aspects of a park is the trees, shrubs and turf included within a park. These objects generally comprise the greater part of the surface area of a park, and will therefore make up a majority of the upkeep. These are also the areas where preventative maintenance and planning can be some of the most beneficial.

Trees provide many benefits to urban environments, some of which include providing sound buffers, reduce utility bills, reduce flooding, cleaning the air and provide wildlife habitats. To help address the present status of the trees within the community and to assist with future issues, it is the board's recommendation, along with a letter of interest from Pat Patrick, that a formal sub-committee to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board be formed as an "Urban Forest Board". As per Mr. Patrick's letter, the Urban Forest Board would consist of an appointed chairperson from the present park and recreation advisory board. Additional members would be from the community at large. The responsibility would be to develop, help facilitate and update a plan for development, conservation and care of the urban resources of the City. The activities of the board would include:

- Develop and/or review annually and update as necessary a long-range plan for the urban forest of the city.
- Review, in cooperation with the Superintendent of Parks and Boulevards and the City Planner annual plans for the City's urban forestry program.
- Advise the Mayor, City Council, City Manager and various departments on matters concerning the betterment of trees and related resources.
- Coordinate and/or conduct special projects for the betterment of trees of the urban forces.

This urban forest board would be able to benefit all aspects of parks, including the existing parks systems and in the creation of new parks.

One method of continuing to provide for the park system is to make sure the park surface is in harmony with Trinidad's environment. If the park is to have turf, appropriate types of grasses and the soils that the grass is laid upon should be applicable to the Trinidad area. Grasses that grow good in one are of the country or even in one part of Colorado, may not be the best suited to Trinidad. The same can be said for trees and shrubs that are to be placed in a park. Ensuring that trees and shrubs are native and / or compatible with this area can help to reduce the amount of water and fertilizer that needs to be used and the maintenance required to keep up the park.

The area immediately around trees and shrubs is another consideration. To reduce the amount of edging that is required, mulch can be used. By placing mulch with a distinct border, this makes the areas around trees and shrubs stand out, and also allows maintenance crews to mow directly up to the edge of the mulch, reducing the amount of time spent with trimmers. This also will help to minimize the damage to trees that can be caused by equipment. This is one method that can minimize the man hours spent maintaining a park.

3.4 Park Facilities

Once the park site has been selected, the next phase of the process is to determine what facilities to place within the park. Each park will be different, based on its size and the intent of the park. However, some standards could be adhered to so that each park, while unique, will not create undue burden on the Park and Recreation departments.

Playground equipment is a common feature in most parks. Standardizing playground equipment is a method that could be employed to reduce maintenance and to create a Trinidad park identity. When a new park or new playground is created, or when aged equipment is to be replaced, consider choosing state of the art items that are easy to maintain, and offer a variety of options for the users. Wooden equipment should be avoided, as should any sharp angular surfaces.

The surface upon which the equipment sits should be made with safety in mind. Since most playgrounds require children to be at great heights relative to their size, a soft surfacing should be used. The sub-surface should be also designed to allow water drainage while discouraging weeds.

Restrooms are another important consideration in furnishing a park. An adequate number of restrooms should be supplied based upon the park's size and general use. The restrooms should be easily accessible, yet not distracting to the overall park experience. Restrooms should be designed based upon the size of the park it serves, and with ease of maintenance in mind. Design should also attempt to have as little impact on the surroundings as feasible. Solar and wind power are some alternatives for restroom design that can help to minimize the impact on the parks system. Handicap accessibility is another consideration in the design and placement of restrooms.

3.5 Park Accessibility

Access to parks for persons with disabilities is a factor in the design of a park and the park facilities. Some considerations to help make the park and recreation system accessible to persons with disabilities are shown below.

To promote wheelchair access walkway slopes should be designed to be less than 5% except in extreme circumstances. Handrails should be provided on hard surfaces that exceed 5%. Also hard surface access to play equipment, restrooms and certain picnic

areas should be provided. This ensures that handicapped persons can have an enjoyable park and recreation experience.

The 1992 American with Disabilities Act is a law that applies to private businesses and local and state governments that covers many situations concerning the disabled. Due to the complexities of this law, a person with knowledge of this law should be consulted to ensure that new park construction or park rehabilitation meets or exceeds the requirements set forth in the ADA.

3.6 Park Appearance

One important aspect of the park system is the appearance of a park. An attractive park will lead to a more enjoyable experience. The appearance of our parks is also a reflection of the values of our community. Taking pride in our parks shows a commitment to bettering the quality of life within the community.

A unique, signature identity can help to distinguish the parks and park facilities within Trinidad. By using this identity on park benches, tables, lighting, and style of signage gives a continuity and style to the park system. The logo used on the City of Trinidad vehicles and stationary is a prime example of this signature identity. The lighting style used throughout the Downtown area could be extended into the park system. Choosing one or two paint styles will also help to give the parks system a definite identity, while reducing the number of colors of paints required to be on hand for the maintenance staff. Standardizing park facilities will help to reduce the repair and maintenance requirements for the park system.

Trees and shrubs are a primary part of most parks. Rather than placing trees randomly throughout a park or spreading them evenly over the entire park, placing them in clusters, either around the edges of a park or in irregular alignments, creates a meadow effect for the park.

Equipment is often necessary for a park including storage sheds, trash dumpsters and light poles. However these objects should be placed in inconspicuous areas when possible. Painting these items a dark color has been shown to soften their appearance, making them blend into the background.

3.7 Park Maintenance

Labor is a primary cost within the park system. It should then follow that efficiency is a very important consideration when looking into park maintenance. Methods to increase efficiency include using less labor-intensive methods, reducing travel time, and alternatives to City controlled maintenance. The increased productivity will give positive returns that are of significant benefit to the City. Some suggestions are shown below.

As discussed above, by adding mulch around trees and shrubs, mowing can take place right up to the edge of the mulch, reducing the amount of time spent trimming. Mulch

also creates an attractive border, which can be used to tie together trees and shrubs that are near each other. Mulch or pea gravel could also be used around picnic areas.

Adding a properly designed sprinkler system to parks is another labor saving process. If combined with a timer system, watering the parks can be done with much less labor, while watering can be done at times that are better suited to watering, such as evenings or early morning. Drip systems added to the system in conjunction with the mulch mentioned above could also produce a significant savings in the amount of water used by adding water directly where it is needed.

An adequate number of staff is recommended to be available for the proper maintenance of the park system. In addition to continuing to meet the present requirements of the present park space, as Trinidad and the associated park system continues to grow, the amount of personnel and equipment available should also be expanded to meet the increased demand.

The equipment used to maintain the park system is very important. Having proper equipment will not only save time and energy but make the work safer for the personnel whose job it is to maintain the parks. Since the tasks required in maintaining a park are so many, a wide variety of tools and equipment should be at hand for the workers. Having the proper quantity and type of equipment can also save the amount of labor required to complete the tasks.

The safe use and maintenance of the equipment is also of paramount concern. Implementing training standards and a rigid maintenance schedule for the equipment will not only foster a safe working environment, but can save money in the long run by reducing down time related to injuries and equipment failures.

As mentioned above, standardizing of equipment and facilities will not only create a signature look to the Trinidad Park system but will help to reduce maintenance time and costs. By having similar equipment, the inventory of spare parts can all be standardized, repairs will be made easier due to the personnel being familiar with the equipment, and the interchanging of parts can be done with minimal effort.

Due in parts to the drought in recent years and other factors, wildlife and human encounters have seemed to be increasing in recent years. The bears appear to be found rummaging through trash containers. One method of deterring the bears is to provide bear proof containers at city parks. This would offer some benefits including providing a certain safety factor to the parks. The bears would less likely be found in the vicinity of the parks, including the citizens and children who use the parks, if they are unable to get into the trashcans. Another factor would be the decrease in the amount of time and manpower spent by the City Police and Department of Wildlife personnel due to decreased human/bear contact. This may also help to inform the public to the benefits of bear proof containers to both the wildlife and the community as a whole, and therefore lead to others including these types of containers in their own backyard.

Alternatives may also be explored to assist with the maintenance of parks. One method is to have Property Owner's Association or Home Owner's Association (POA/HOA) to

maintain open space and parks. Details of this type of agreement are covered in the City's subdivision regulations in Section 14-2 D.

An agreement with the school systems in the Trinidad area is another method that could help to meet a portion of the parks needs. Using school parks can help to meet the needs of a neighborhood that is lacking a park, especially in fully developed areas of the community. User agreements could include scheduled public use, even during school times, and standards and responsibility for maintenance.

The City of Trinidad should also continue to encourage the use volunteers as a method of assisting with park maintenance. Due to the limited resources available for creating new park facilities or the upgrading of existing facilities, volunteers are a means of providing additional personnel to expedite the process. The skate park and disc golf course are some examples of what can be accomplished when volunteers and the City of Trinidad work together with a common goal.

If desired, a more formal arrangement can be provided in the form of an Adopt-A-Park program. This program would allow a community group, service organization, school, business or individual to play an active role in helping to maintain a park.

The agreements could be arranged for a set period of time. Groups or individuals would volunteer time to pick up litter, paint picnic tables, plant and maintain flowers or trees, rake leaves or other items to help maintain the appearance of a park. In exchange the participants could get a sign in the park bearing the name of the group or individual who is maintaining the park, and the City could keep the public informed of the participants activities in the park. A plaque or certificate could also be given upon completion of the participant's commitment. Details concerning the agreement could be worked out regarding who supplies the materials, requirements regarding supervision of participants, and general safety rules regarding participants and facility improvements.

Recreation programs are an essential part of every Parks and Recreation Department. While parks and facilities are needed for the casual users and families, programs are the magnets to attract users into the parks on a regular basis. Programming is one method to get the best usage from park facilities and to provide the most benefits for the residents of Trinidad. Without recreation programs, a park is just used by occasional children and families or athletic programs.

4.1 Existing Recreation

The City of Trinidad has had a recreation department since before 1920, with youth football, basketball and baseball making up the primary sports at that time. While those programs are still around, the amount of programs offered has grown to include a wide array of activities from passive uses such as an arts and craft class to active uses such as skateboarding.

In the past the Trinidad Recreation Department handled the majority of the youth and adult recreation programs. Some outside organizations run certain programs such as AYSO, which runs the youth soccer. A local chapter of the YMCA was opened in Trinidad in 1992.

During that time, the YMCA was in charge of many programs including football and basketball, generally for grades K thru 4. They also held other recreational programs including an annual Easter Egg Hunt, archery classes, and golf classes among others. In 2005, the YMCA was closed for financial reasons, and the City of Trinidad Recreation Department has now picked up most of their programs.

At the present time, the Trinidad Recreation Department offers the following programs:

Activity / Program	Age / Grade
Baseball	4 – 15 years
Football	K – 6 th
Girls Volleyball	4 th – 6 th
Basketball	K – 6 th
Co-Ed Volleyball	Adult
Women’s Volleyball	Adult
Slow Pitch Softball	Adult
Aerobics	Adults / Seniors
Swimming Pool Lessons	Youth 6 & up
Open Swim	All Ages
Open Gym	All Ages

In addition to these programs, new programs for 2006 include an Easter Egg Hunt, indoor kickball, art classes, golf lessons and a 5k run.

The recreation staff manages the overall planning and coordination of daily recreation operations, programs, equipment, and budget for the entire Recreation department.

Additionally, administration is responsible for the coordination of department staff, management and leadership, professional development, resource management, volunteer and non-profit youth sports association support and the annual departmental work plan. Other administrative support is provided through City Administration, Legal, and Finance departments. Present staff responsibilities are extensive and will necessitate evaluation of staff resources and funding over the next several years to assure adequate coverage.

The recreation programs rely on volunteers who make up a large portion of the coaches for each team, while City personnel supply the play fields, equipment, referees and umpires. The personnel are also on hand for every event, ensuring the proper administration of all recreational activities. The City personnel are also in charge of maintenance of the equipment and the play fields.

The Parks and Recreation department staff work to coordinate the rental of the Community Center. Some events held include teen night, birthday parties, business and civic meetings, and other group activities. The staff works to ensure that adequate supplies are available for participants and that the facilities are properly maintained and available.

4.2 Recreation Participation

The participation in recreation programs is monitored by the Recreation Department, and is shown in Table 9 below:

Activity / Program	Facility Used	2005 Participation	2006 Participation
Baseball	Southside Park Ballfields and Central Park	170	300
Men's Softball	Southside Park Ballfields	120	140
Football	Central Park	96	250
Girls Volleyball	Community Center	60	100
Basketball	Community Center	340	340
Co-Ed Volleyball	Community Center	50	50
Women's Volleyball	Community Center	70	70
Aerobics	Community Center	80	100+
Swimming Pool Lessons	Swimming Pool	40	40
Open Swim	Swimming Pool	200 per day	250 per day
Open Gym	Community Center	30 per day	40 per day
Youth Soccer (from AYSO)	Los Ninos and others	400	400

Table 9-Recreation Program Participation

*-open swim totals based on 90 days/year, open gym totals based on 200 days/year

Part of the large growth predicted in baseball, football, and basketball shown above is due to the City's Recreation department taking over the programs that were once part of the YMCA. The other increases are the typical growth in participation seen from year to year.

4.3 Future Recreation Participation

In the same manner in which the park facility needs were projected into the near future based upon the population estimates shown in Table 1, we can also do the same with the recreation program. Assuming the same demographics continue in the future, shown below in Table 10 are the 2006 participation numbers expressed as a percent of total population and then projected to years 2010 and 2020.

Activity / Program	2006 Participation	2006 Participation as Percent of Entire 2000 Population	Participation per 2010 Population	Increase from 2006	Participation per 2020 Population	Increase from 2006
Baseball	300	3.3%	360	60	430	130
Men's Softball	140	1.5%	170	35	200	65
Football	250	2.8%	300	50	360	110
Girls Volleyball	100	1.1%	120	20	140	40
Basketball	340	3.7%	410	70	490	150
Co-Ed Volleyball	50	0.6%	60	10	70	20
Women's Volleyball	70	0.8%	80	10	100	30
Aerobics	100+	1.1%	120	20	140	40
Swimming Pool Lessons	40	0.4%	50	10	60	20
Open Swim	250 per day	2.8%	300	50	360	110
Open Gym	40 per day	0.4%	50	10	60	20
Youth Soccer	400	4.4%	480	80	570	170

Table 10-Recreation Program Participation Projections

This is meant for a reference only to help illustrate the increased use that the present facilities will sustain, but actual participation should continue to be monitored to show the actual trends of recreation participation.

4.4 Recreation Participation Comparisons

In the aforementioned DOLA 2003 publication titled “State of Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Planning Standards”, average recreation participants per household were calculated. Initial examination of the present recreation participation in Trinidad appears to fall well below the levels present in other similar sized cities across Colorado. The reasons for the lower participation are something that should be examined closer.

However, if or when the participation numbers were to reach the levels as represented in the DOLA report, the increased demand could put a hardship upon the present facilities and personnel. Again, participation numbers should continue to be monitored so that these trends can be forecast and remedies taken before a situation arises.

4.5 2003 Trinidad Recreation Survey

In February of 2003, Jeff A. Stuyt, Colorado State University-Pueblo for the City of Trinidad, conducted a survey and prepared a report concerning the current use of parks and recreation facilities and programs. The report was based on a data collected in the summer and fall of 2002, and consisted of a 12-question survey. It is not the intent of this report to replicate the recreation survey, but to provide a summary of the report.

The first item addressed in the report was the perceived importance of recreational activities within the city. Senior citizen programs, swimming and organized youth sports were considered the most important, with middle school age programs and elementary school age programs rounding out the top 5 in activities rated as “Important” or better.

In regards to improving existing facilities, building an indoor pool ranked the highest. Improving existing playgrounds, expanding the senior programs and the walking trails, and building a teen center were the other top issues considered important.

Existing activities that were ranked highest in desire for participation were fitness/conditioning, arts/crafts, church programs and individual sports. At the time of the survey, the city only offered one of the programs. However, at present the city has taken on an aerobics program and is considering an arts and crafts program. This shows the City’s willingness to respond to the community’s desires, and they should be commended for their efforts. Continuing to monitor the requests of the community will help the city and its staff to respond to their needs.

The popularity of the present parks was examined in the survey, with Central Park as the most frequently visited park. Kit Carson Park, the Fairground Complex and Monument Lake and Southside Park / Recreation Center rounded out the top 5. Many respondents gave suggestions for improvements, and these are covered under the respective park in Section 6.

4.6 Recreation Recommendations

As is the case with the Parks and Boulevards department, personnel issues should continue to be monitored closely to ensure adequate coverage. With the increased use of the recreation programs, partly as a result of the closure of the YMCA and part due to growth in population, the demand upon staffing will also increase.

A continued need for volunteers is essential for the recreation programs to maintain the growth predicted for Trinidad. The need for coaches, referees and personnel to head some of the programs will continue to increase, and encouraging volunteers are a vital way of managing this growth.

A system should be in place to ensure that proper safety equipment and properly trained personnel continue to be present when recreation activities are happening. The present insurer for the City has not made any recommendations in this regard, which speaks well of the City staff in ensuring that accidents to date have been kept to a minimum. As more types of safety equipment become readily available, including defibrillators, the recreation department and the City should be proactive in maintaining a high standard with regard to the safety of all participants in the recreation programs.

Outdoor winter programming is one area that appears to be lacking at present. Although predicting the timing of snowfall and the quantity of snow is impossible, outdoor winter programming is still an option. An ice skating rink would allow many activities to take place including hockey and figure skating. A designated area or areas for sledding could also be considered. At present many of the parks are being used in areas that may not be entirely adequate for sledding. Also, many snow sledding is performed upon city streets, though this practice has many inherent hazards. Organizing trips for youths to designated skiing areas could encourage increased participation in winter sports for many who may not have such opportunities.

5 IMPLEMENTATION RECOMMENDATIONS

The purpose of this section is to summarize the recommendations and to provide potential tools to achieve the vision set forth in this master plan. Specific recommendations for individual parks are covered in Section 6.

5.1 Administrative Recommendations

- Trinidad should work to assure parks, recreation and natural systems are provided for all ages, abilities and user groups. The city should facilitate partnerships and agreements to establish services for these facilities, providing a strategic role, as opposed to a comprehensive role to managing, developing or programming parks, recreation and natural systems within the city. They should take a primary role in planning all park, recreation and natural system facilities to meet the future demand as the city continues to grow, and they should continue to look to partnerships for assistance in acquiring, developing, operating and maintaining current and future park, recreational and natural systems.
- Trinidad should strategically acquire, preserve and protect its current land base now, as it becomes available, to help support the vision outlined in this plan. This can include land to be set aside for parks, trails, open space, and/or other types of recreation facilities. Development of the land base should occur incrementally to meet current demand and avoid over-extending operations and maintenance allowances for parks and recreation facilities.
- Trinidad should look at a variety of options and funding sources, taking full advantage of both traditional and new, creative approaches to financing parks, recreation and natural system facilities for every aspect of the park and recreation process.
- Monitor population trends to ensure that park area needs are being met to the standards as set forth in the City of Trinidad Subdivision Regulations. Personnel issues within the entire Parks and Recreations Departments should also be monitored to provide adequate qualified staff to continue to maintain and operate the parks and parks systems at a high standard.
- Work with the Public Works Department to upgrade pedestrian connectivity in neighborhoods.
- Create and regularly update the parklands inventory and maps to reflect existing conditions.
- Establish clear mechanisms for interdepartmental and interagency coordination on planning and design issues and to ensure consistency with the Master Plan.
- Establish a Urban Forest sub committee to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, for the purpose of developing, help facilitating and updating a plan for development, conservation and care of the urban resources of the City

5.2 Design and Maintenance Recommendations

- Trinidad should implement a high level of maintenance standards for all parks and recreation facilities in order to establish an overall credibility for future facility development and create added safety and security within existing facilities. Policing and enforcement for park regulations should be included in the overall maintenance and operations standards for the city.
- Create a unique, signature identity to help distinguish the parks and park facilities within Trinidad. By using this identity on park benches, tables, lighting, and style of signage gives a continuity and style to the park system. The logo used on the City of Trinidad vehicles and stationary is a prime example of this signature identity.
- Continue to design and update parks with an eye toward more efficient use of available labor. Alternatives to traditional labor practices should also be explored, including use of volunteers from business and service organizations, use of personnel from the Trinidad Prison system, use of persons required to do community service and outsourcing to contractors for larger projects.
- Monitor safety standards for all employees to ensure proper training for the tasks required. Also implement maintenance and safety standards for the equipment used by City personnel.
- Dog parks have been recommended for a few areas of the City, which would relieve other parks from the concentration of pets. Regulations should be enforced and bags provided for owners to pick up dog waste in parks. In addition, a public education and awareness program should be developed on pet regulations and pet citizenship in conjunction with area dog clubs.

5.3 Recreation Recommendations

- Monitor personnel issues to ensure that there is an adequate amount of personnel for all programs. With the increased use of the recreation programs, partly as a result of the closure of the YMCA and part due to growth in population, the demand upon staffing will also increase.
- Ensure that the types of programs and the amount of programs offered are relevant for the present population, including providing appropriate programs for youth, adults and seniors as well as programs for both male and female participants.
- Continue to promote volunteers in both the coaching and operation of the recreation programs.
- Continue to be proactive in maintaining a high standard with regard to the safety of all participants in the recreation programs
- Look into increasing the outdoor winter sports programming, including possible creation of sledding and ice-skating facilities.

6 EXISTING FACILITIES

6.1 Parks Facility Inventory

PARK TYPE/FACILITY NAME	Acreage (Developed / Undeveloped)	Baseball/Softball Field (adult)	Baseball/Softball Field (youth)	Basketball Court (Indoor/Outdoor)	Soccer Field (Regulation / Youth-Practice)	Skate Park	Playground	Miles of Trail	Drinking Fountain	Picnic Table	Picnic Pavilion	Bench	Bike Rack	Restrooms	Trash Receptacle	Water Feature	River Walk Accessible
MINI PARK																	
Denver St. Playground	0.34			1			1					2	1		1		
Victoria Square	0.48														1		
Ninth & Portland	0.47			1			2					2			1		
Miner's Memorial Park	0.13											3			1		
City Hall Park/ C&S Train	0.34								2						4		X
Pine & Willow Street Intersection	0.13																
Santa Fe Park	1.78								4						2		
Welcome Center	0.05									3					4		
Public Library	0.14											1					
NEIGHBORHOOD PARK																	
Kit Carson Park	5.70						1		1	10				1	14		
Eagle Rock Phase 1	1.37 (u)																
Downtown Park	2.00																
Reserve at Fishers Peak	6.57 (u)																
Los Ninos	3.43			1	2		2		1			2	1		9		X
COMMUNITY PARK																	
Central Park	14.93	1	2		1		2		2	7		2		2	22	X	X
Southside Park	51.37	2	2			1		1.5	1	2				1	12		
TRAIL AND LINEAR PARK																	
Purgatoire River Walk System	4.85							2.0		3					4		X
Open space within Eagle Rock	1.42																
Alta Ave. & Colorado Ave. ROW	1.18																
Downtown Plaza	N/A											19			30		x
Santa Fe Trail Sidewalk	0.23							0.5									
SPECIAL USE PARK																	
Municipal Swimming Pool	0.81																
Municipal Golf Course (leased)	84.24																
Monument Lake (leased)	360.00																
North Lake Lands (leased)	840.00																

6.2 Mini Parks

Denver Street Playground

Location: Along Denver Street between Godding and Strong

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.34 acres
Parking	2 off-street spaces / additional on-street parking available
Play Structure	1 older structure
Picnic Facilities	2 benches
Other Facilities	1 basketball court

This park is located on the north end of town on Denver Street between Goddard and Strong Ave. It has a basketball court, picnic table and a playground.

This park is in need of repair. The general surfaces in the park, specifically surrounding the playground area and the basketball court are in need of upgrading. Picnic tables are also in a state of disrepair.

Recommendations:

1. Surfaces within the park need repair and/or replacement.
2. Trees or other landscaping could be used to make the park more attractive.

Victoria Square

Location: West of Alta on between Victoria Lane and Victoria Square

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.48 acres
Parking	On-Street Parking
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	none

This is a vacant park, containing a mostly grassed field. It is utilized by the immediate neighborhood.

Recommendations:

1. Provide picnic facilities.

Ninth and Portland Street Park

Location: Intersection of Ninth St. And Portland St.

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.47 acres
Parking	On-street parking
Play Structure	1 newer play structure
Picnic Facilities	2 benches
Other Facilities	1 basketball court

This park has recently been upgraded with new playground equipment and new

surfacing. The basketball courts are asphalt surfaced. This park is widely used within its neighborhood.

However vandalism has plagued this park. The city should be commended for its continued effort to stop the vandalism and their diligence in cleaning the graffiti in a timely fashion.

Recommendations:

1. Ensure that all playground equipment is serviced.
2. Erect a higher fence between the basketball court and the adjacent arroyo that lies to the west of the park to keep basketballs from roaming into the ditch.
3. Upgrade the surfaces of the park including the basketball court and the adjoining areas.

Miner’s Memorial Park

Location: Intersection of Main St. And Convent St.

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.13 acres
Parking	Off-street spaces shared with public parking / additional on-street parking
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	2 Benches
Other Facilities	Memorial, Water Fountain

This park is located in the downtown area. It contains a memorial dedicated to the memory of the coal miners, which was the main industry in the area for many years. The park also contains the remains of a water fountain. Due to its proximity to the downtown area, many people utilize the park. The park is also utilized for the Santa Fe Trail Festival and the Farmer’s market.

Recommendations:

1. Continue to monitor the indigent traffic in the area to ensure that the park is welcome to all citizens and visitors.
2. Options for the former fountain include restoring the fountain to its original state, using it for landscaping, or completely removing the park and adding another feature.

City Hall Park / C&S Train

Location: Animas St. adjacent to City Hall

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.34 acres
Off-Street Parking	Off-street spaces shared with City Hall parking with additional on-street parking
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	2 Tables
Other Facilities	Steam Train, first city fire bell,

This mini-park is located next to City Hall. It is a well-maintained park used for picnic

area for visitors and local alike.

The C&S Train is located next to City Hall. The Colorado and Southern Railroad donated the engine, the caboose and the passenger car to the City of Trinidad. This park also serves an educational park for the children to see what a steam engine looked like.



The park also contains the first City Fire Bell. In the wintertime, area school children help to decorate the tree by adding their own personal decorations to the large pine trees located within the park. The park also contains amenities for dog walking.

Recommendations:

1. Monitor the sprinkling system to ensure proper coverage of the lawn surfaces.
2. Ensure the train and the surrounding areas are kept free of debris and continue to monitor the homeless population.

Pine and Willow Street Intersection

Location: Intersection of Pine St. and Willow St.

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.13 acres
Parking	On-street parking
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	none

This park is located in an island in the street intersection. It contains a garden area, showcasing xeriscape. This park is an example of how xeriscape can be used to beautify small areas that are otherwise overlooked, covered in grass or weeds or paved over.

Recommendations:

1. No immediate recommendations at this time.

Santa Fe Mini Park

Location: Pine St. near Amtrak Depot

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	1.78 acres
Parking	Undefined gravel off-street parking with additional on-street parking
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	4 Tables

This facility is located next to the Santa Fe Amtrak Depot. This park is scheduled for replacement if and when the Interstate 25 overpass is replace and rerouted. Therefore no long term planning is recommended for this park.

Welcome Center

Location: Colorado Welcome Center at University St. and Nevada Ave.

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.05 acres
Parking	Off-street spaces shared with Welcome Center
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	3 Tables

This park is located in the parking lot of the Colorado Welcome Center. It is provided for visitors who are visiting the Welcome Center. It consists mainly of 3 picnic tables and some small trees.

Recommendations:

1. Look into options for the surfacing of the park that is both functional and low maintenance.

Public Library

Location: Animas St. and Church St., across from City Hall.

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.14 acres
Parking	On-street parking
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	1 Bench

This park is located on the grounds of Carnegie Public Library. It consists of a lawn area and flowerbeds, and is jointly maintained by City Parks Dept. and library staff.

Recommendations:

1. Continue to make the park an inviting place to spend time, while minimizing the maintenance required.

6.3 Neighborhood Parks

Kit Carson Park

Location: Kansas Ave. on south to Topeka St. on North / San Pedro St. on West to Rosita St. on East

Park Type	Neighborhood
Size	5.70 acres
Parking	On-street parking - surrounded on all 4 sides by streets
Play Structure	Newer play structure and surfacing
Picnic Facilities	10 tables
Other Facilities	Pavilion, statues



The facility is a developed park consisting of an open lawn, a band shell, and a playground. The park also contains many mature trees, which add to the appeal of the park. It is used for family picnics, concerts and in the winter is used for sledding. The park also has a large statue of Kit Carson. The park contains many picnic tables and a newly built restroom facility. Victorian period lighting was also recently added to the park in keeping with the theme of the park and the downtown area.



Recommendations:

1. Continue to supply an adequate amount of handicap accessibility to the park.
2. As lighting is added and/or replaced, the Victorian period lighting or similar style of lighting should be added where applicable.
3. It is also noted that the park is a popular hangout for the consumption of alcoholic beverages and is also subject to graffiti. Additional patrolling and enforcement of existing codes should be enforced to discourage these activities.
4. Since this park contains a large amount of trees, an inventory of the trees including the health of the specimens should be done to ensure that a sustained supply of mature, healthy trees is provided for years to come.
5. Continue to monitor the health of the turf to ensure proper treatments are applied for the health of the lawn and to properly minimize the weeds.
6. Since this park is popular with many people, the park also seems to get a

Eagle Rock Phase 1 Subdivision

Location: Proposed to be within Phase 1 of Eagle Rock Subdivision

Park Type	Neighborhood
Size	1.37 acres
Parking	On-Street Parking - surrounded on all 4 sides by streets
Play Structure	none
Picnic Facilities	none
Other Facilities	none

This park is located within Eagle Rock Subdivision, near the Allendale and Fisher's Peak area, lying north of the Fishers Peak Elementary School. This park is at present undeveloped.

Recommendations:

1. No immediate recommendations pending development of the subdivision.

Downtown Park

Location: Convent St. and Elm St.

Park Type	Neighborhood
Size	2.00 acres
Parking	On-street parking
Play Structure	
Picnic Facilities	
Other Facilities	

This park is located adjacent to the Riverwalk and the Purgatoire River. The park will contain a large lawn, Bocce Ball courts and other amenities. This park is presently in the construction phase.

Recommendations:

1. No immediate recommendations at this time.

Reserve at Fishers Peak Subdivision

Location: Desperado Drive and Riata Drive, within The Reserve at Fishers Peak Subdivision

Park Type	Neighborhood
Size	6.57 acres
Parking	On-Street Parking
Play Structure	
Picnic Facilities	
Other Facilities	

This park is located within The Reserve at Fishers Peak Subdivision, near the Allendale area. This park is presently vacant, consisting of many trees along a hillside.

Recommendations:

1. No immediate recommendations at this time.

Los Ninos Soccer Complex

Location: Chestnut Street and Elm Street

Park Type	Neighborhood
Size	3.43 acres
Parking	On-street parking; also has off-street, but undefined parking
Play Structure	Newer play structure and surfacing
Picnic Facilities	none
Other Facilities	1 regulation soccer field, 1 practice field, and (1) basketball court

Los Ninos Soccer Complex was built in 2002 and proved Trinidad with a regulation soccer field. A smaller practice / youth soccer field was also designed as part of the complex. It also contains a new playground including climbing facilities, and contains 1 basketball courts. A grass picnic area is also located within this park, though no facilities are present at this time. This park is directly adjacent to the Riverwalk, which adds to the characteristic of the park.



Recommendations:

1. Restroom facilities would be a welcome addition.
2. Improve the handicap accessibility to the park.
3. A parking area in combination with the Riverwalk, possibly in the form of a trailhead, would assist in the overall safety of the park.
4. Work with the local school systems to possibly increase the use of the park. At present it is only used for the youth soccer program.

6.4 Community Parks

South Side Park

Location: Jefferson Street

Park Type	Community Park
Size	51.37 acres (28 developed)
Parking	Off-street spaces in developed parking lot; also has a large off-street, but undefined gravel parking area near the ballpark.
Picnic Facilities	none
Other Facilities	2 lighted baseball/softball fields, 2 lighted youth baseball/women's softball fields, Skate Park, Community Center, Disc Golf Course

South Side Park is the primary recreation facility in Trinidad. The whole park is used year around, from the baseball and softball fields in the summer to volleyball in the fall to basketball in the spring. The community center is a recreation facility that is utilized year around. In addition, the Skate Park has been a favorite with the skating participants. The park was named one of the top 10 parks in the world according to Tony Hawk, a leader and pioneer in the skating community.

There are four lighted baseball/softball diamonds in the upper park of the south side Park that are utilized for youth baseball, women's softball and adult softball. The TSJC women's softball team utilizes one of the fields for all of their practices and home games. The Holy Trinity Academy high school uses one of the baseball fields for their practices and home games. The ball fields also contain a concession stand and each field is equipped with portable seating areas. Overall the parks are maintained well.

The Community Center is located at South side Park. It is used primarily as a gymnasium, where the adult and youth basketball programs, youth and adult volleyball programs and practice for area schools. The Community Center also has a meeting room, a kitchen, and both men and women locker room including shower facilities. Currently one room is being updated for an exercise room. It also houses the offices for the Parks and Recreation Department staff.

The Skate Park was a new facility built in 2003. This skate park is used by many people in the Trinidad area and is gaining in popularity. Expansion to the skate park was completed in 2006, with the addition of a restroom facility. One of the world's best skaters, Tony Hawk, recently named the Trinidad Skate Park as one of the top ten skate parks in the world. This is quite an honor for the City of Trinidad and special thanks should go to those who helped to make the park become a reality. It also says a lot about the staff of the Parks and Recreation department who continues to maintain and improve the park.



A proposal has been presented to City staff by a local group of BMX riders has asked for an area within the city parks to place a bicycle racetrack. The Southside Park area could

be a proper location for this sort of facility, as the bicycle and skateboard parks are similar in nature, and with the availability of parking and utilities, this locale seems to be a natural fit.

A 9-hole disc golf course was added in the spring of 2006, with an additional 9 holes being planned. This course makes good use of an otherwise vacant parcel within the Southside Park system.

A new outdoor swimming pool is planned for Southside Park, near the Community Center. This will be a welcome addition, as the existing swimming facility is in need of many repairs and a new swimming pool is identified as one of the most requested additions to the City's park system.

Additional facilities that have been suggested for the Southside Park include outdoor basketball courts, walking trails, outdoor sand volleyball courts, and horseshoe pits.

Recommendations:

1. Develop an overall plan for the entire Southside Park property to ensure for the proper planning and placement of all future additions to the park, including the swimming pool, the additional 9-hole disc golf course, and any other future improvements.
2. A new modern surface for the gymnasium floor in the community center.
3. Add an emergency phone box, similar to the one located near the entrance of the community center, located near the skate park.
4. Update the community center facilities including the bathrooms, flooring and.
5. Connect the Southside Park with the existing trail system and the Riverwalk.
6. Construct a parking system with delineated parking, proper lighting and proper traffic flow throughout the entire complex to increase parking capacity and reduce the potential hazards associated with an undefined parking system.
7. Continue to place concrete within the ball field dugouts, increase the landscaping around the fields, and add some type of shelter from sun and rain for participants and spectators at the ball fields.
8. Add water fountains near the skate park and near the disc golf course.
9. Increase the number of indoor basketball courts as the population expands and the need arises.

Central Park

Location: Stonewall Street and San Juan Street

Park Type	Community Park
Size	14.93 acres (4 acres leased to TSJC)
Parking	Off-street parking near baseball field with on-street parking for remainder of park.
Play Structure	1 Newer play structure and surfacing / 1 older structure
Picnic Facilities	7 picnic tables / 2 benches
Other Facilities	Lighted multi purpose open playing field, 2 acre pond, 1.5 miles of walking trails

Central park is one of the oldest parks in Trinidad. It has been home to many different activities including ice-skating and it once housed a bandstand that held concerts.

The park contains a baseball field and stadium, which are currently under lease to Trinidad high School Trinidad State Junior College. The baseball field is also used for other activities.



A 2-acre pond is also located within Central Park. The lake is used only for youth fishing and is stocked by the Colorado Division of Wildlife. In recent years, there has been some upgrades to the shoreline, creating small fishing areas. Additional work along these same lines is planned for 2006.

A paved trail system exists within and around the perimeter of the park. The trail consists of 1.5 miles of trails, and is used almost year around.

A large open turf area is used for a variety of activities. The field is used by Trinidad High School for girl's varsity and junior varsity soccer, and for football practice in the fall. The park is used for the City youth football program and for the youth baseball and tee-ball programs. The area is also used by the community for events such as the Blues Festival and the MDA Walk for Life program.

A new playground facility exists in the northeast corner of the park, while an older facility is located in the southwest corner near the lake. There are also many mature trees around the perimeter of the park.

Recommendations:

1. Erect fencing to separate the park from the adjacent railroad tracks.
2. Continue to repair the lake including adding additional fishing spots similar to the brick and gravel ones now in place. Also continue to remove cattails and other items from the pond, including consulting with the DOW and other agencies for any suggestions as to how to accomplish this in a manner that will not harm the fish population.
3. Continue to monitor the health of the turf to ensure proper treatments are applied for the health of the lawn and to properly minimize the weeds.
4. Refurbish and/or replace existing bathrooms, either in a more centralized location or

adding additional bathrooms.

5. Monitor the mosquito population that comes from the lake to keep the numbers to a minimum.

6.5 Trail and Linear Parks

Purgatoire River Walk

Location: Along Purgatoire River from I-25 north to Kit Carson Bypass

Park Type	Trail
Size	4.85 acres
Parking	Small undefined lot at Linden Trail head
Picnic Facilities	3 Tables
Other Facilities	River Overlooks

The Purgatoire River Walk is a trail system along the Purgatoire River, running a length of 2 miles from the Interstate 25 river bridge, through the center of Trinidad, and continues to the Kit Carson Bypass river bridge. The trail consists of a mix of concrete and asphalt surfaces. Both bikes and pedestrians use the trail. It has many existing amenities including picnic tables and many informational



monuments, which highlight some of the history of Trinidad. The trail is a continuing state of extension and revision, and has become a central feature in downtown Trinidad.

Recommendations:

1. Continue to extend the existing trail and add other trails leading to other park facilities.
2. Additional park benches, trash cans, drinking fountains, and improvements to the existing landscaping including adding planters, trees
3. Research into stream restoration including enhancing the existing vegetation and removal of invasive species along the river corridor.
4. The River Walk would be an ideal location for a nature center.
5. The northerly end of the trail has been used by many motorized vehicles including motor bikes and ATV's, and more patrolling of this area is suggested to prevent this from becoming more of a hazard to the pedestrians along the trail.

Open Space within Eagle Rock Subdivision

Location: Within Phase 1 of Eagle Rock Subdivision

Park Type	Trail
Size	1.42 acres
Parking	On-street parking

This trail is located within Eagle Rock Subdivision, near the Allendale and Fisher's Peak area, lying north of the Fishers Peak Elementary School. This trail system is at present undeveloped.

Recommendations:

1. No immediate recommendations pending development of the subdivision.

Colorado and Alta Ave. Right of Way

Location: Within the median Colorado Avenue and Alta Avenue

Park Type	Trail
Size	1.18 acres
Parking	On-street parking

This open space is located in the median of Colorado Avenue and Alta Avenue. This area is a lawn surface that is contained within curb islands. Present plans for improvements include replacing the existing lawn by lowering the turf to a level below the top of the curb, replacement of portions of the curb that are damaged, and replacing and updating the watering system to maximize water on the turf surface while reducing maintenance.

Recommendations:

1. No immediate recommendations pending the outcome of construction.

Downtown Plaza

Location: Along Main and Commercial Street

Park Type	Trail
Size	undetermined area
Parking	On-street parking
Other Facilities	Metal information signs, planters, and trees

The Parks department maintains trees and planters along the Downtown corridor, along Main and Commercial Streets. The park contains 80 trees, 65 flower planters, and 19 benches that help to create a park like feel to the downtown streetscape.

Recommendations:

1. Continue to extend along the Main Street corridor.
2. Work with business owners to assist in the maintenance and upkeep of the planters and trees.

Santa Fe Trail Sidewalk

Location: Santa Fe Trail from Main Street south to Adams St.

Park Type	Trail
Size	0.23 acres
Parking	none

This is a sidewalk that is maintained in the summer and winter by City Parks Department personnel. The walk is approximately 5 feet wide, and runs along both sides of Santa Fe Trail from the intersection of Adams Street to the intersection with Main Street.

Recommendations:

1. This could eventually be tied into with the Riverwalk system, and used to link other parks in the vicinity.
2. Incorporate more landscaping into the system.

6.6 Special Use Parks

The Trinidad Municipal Swimming Pool

Location: West Main St. near power plant

Park Type	Special Use
Size	0.81 acres
Parking	Off street parking

This facility is an outdoor swimming pool operated during the summer months. Swimming lessons are taught in the morning and private lessons through out the day. All participants of lessons (private and group) should have to sign permission slips eliminating the city and all city employees from liability.

Recommendations:

1. Continue to search for ways to fund a new swimming pool and recreational facility. Methods include researching how other cities of similar population size have been able to build new pools (example Walsenburg)

Monument Lake

Location: 36 miles west of Trinidad along Highway 12

Park Type	Special Use
Size	360 acres
Parking	Undetermined
Camping Facilities	50+ tent sites, 45 camper sites, motel rooms, 13 cabins
Other Facilities	Fishing, Horseback Riding

This recreational facility is located west of the City of Trinidad and is currently being operated pursuant to a lease agreement. It has a number of amenities including fishing, lodging, and camping areas.

The park once contained a zoo, a fish hatchery and a vacation resort. Presently there is a motel, cabins, restaurant and lounge. Rental boats are available and a small store for fishing and camping supplies is located along the lake.

Recommendations:

1. Develop permanent designated campsites and permanent fire rings to establish clear boundaries of tent sites. Also establish clearly defined roadways and limit vehicle traffic to said roadways and parking areas. This would increase safety by not having tents and cars parked in areas that might hinder travel throughout the park. This would also help with erosion due to decreased turf areas caused by tents and vehicle traffic.
2. The trees within the park especially near the camping areas consist of large trees that add to the character of the park. An inventory of the trees together with a plan for replacement of these trees should be developed as part of the long-term planning for the park.
3. Upgrade the roads and fences to a high standard for both ease of maintenance and to help delineate boundaries of both the roads and the property.
4. Implement a higher standard for the maintenance and upkeep of the facilities located within the park.

5. Improve and update the signage throughout the park.

The Municipal Golf Course

Location: Along Nolan Drive adjacent to I-25

Park Type	Special Use
Size	84.24 acres
Parking	Off-street parking, golf cart sheds.

The Municipal Golf Course is a nine-hole golf course built in 1914. The course is built into the natural terrain, offering many challenges and spectacular views of the Sangre De Cristo Mountains. With 18 different tee boxes, the course is a par 72, with a length of 6,160 yards.



Trinidad Municipal Golf Course is considered one of the top nine-hole courses in Colorado, and *Avid Golfer* magazine ranks it as one of the “ten hidden gems in the country”. The course offers a stocked pro shop, a self-serve driving range, practice green, and cart and club rentals. The grounds also contain on-site cart storage and a groundskeeper’s workshop.

The golf course is open to the public with memberships available. The Trinidad-Las Animas County Golf Association, consisting of 9 board members, leases the course from the City of Trinidad and is in charge of the management of the course.

Recommendations:

1. Mature trees line every hole, creating the beauty and adding to the challenge of the golf course. This is another area where an Urban Forest board could play a vital role. A plan should be put into place to address the issue of nurturing the trees that are in place and for the replacement of trees as the need arises.
2. With the recent drought and an added emphasis being placed upon the available water resources, this is an area where a pattern can be set for the entire community can be set. By continuing to work toward being as resourceful as possible with available water, the Golf Course can be an example for other businesses and citizens in ways of efficiency and conservation with the water assets.
3. Continue to improve the landscape adjacent to the course itself. According to the lease agreement the entire Golf Course property is covered under the lease agreement, and the entire property should maintained at a standard in accordance with city ordinances.
4. The Golf Course should continue to strive to be as fiscally independent from the City as possible.

6.7 Parks by Outside Agencies

Holy Trinity Catholic School

Location: Church Street and Animas Street.

Park Type	Community
Size	2.0 acres +/-
Parking	Off street parking

This park is located within the campus of the Holy Trinity Catholic School. The facilities include a full size football field and a gymnasium. The football field is utilized for AYSO soccer, and is also used for some community events such as Santa Fe Trail Days.

The gymnasium is used by the Trinidad Recreation Department for youth league basketball practice and games.

TSJC Scott Gymnasium

Location: Near Pine Street on TSJC campus

Park Type	Special Use
Parking	Off street parking
Number of Courts	1 full size

The gymnasium is used by the Trinidad Recreation Department for youth league basketball practice and games.

Las Animas County Fairgrounds

Location: North Linden Ave.

Park Type	Community
Size	undetermined
Parking	Off street parking
Picnic Facilities	Picnic Pavilion

The Las Animas County Fairgrounds, located in north Trinidad off North Linden Street, were constructed in the early 1900s. Existing facilities include a rodeo arena, an outdoor arena, a racetrack, a 4-H barn, horse stalls, grandstand seating, a park area, office space, maintenance buildings, and parking. The fairgrounds are currently used for the annual county fair, which is held every summer and features livestock shows. The fairgrounds are also used for rodeos, horse shows, and horse races at other times of the year.

Las Animas County Courthouse South Lawn

Location: Along 2nd Street between Chestnut and Maple

Park Type	Mini-Park
Size	1.7 acres
Parking	On street parking

This park is located directly south of the Las Animas County Courthouse. It contains a large lawn area with many mature trees.

TSJC Tennis Courts

Location: Along 4th Ave. Near Pine Street

Park Type	Special Use
Size	1.4 acres
Parking	On street parking
Number of Courts	2 full size tennis courts

This park is owned and maintained by Trinidad State Junior College. This is the only functional tennis facility in Trinidad at this time.

Simpson's Rest

Location: Northwest end of North Ave., overlooking Trinidad

Park Type	Special Use
Size	undetermined
Parking	undetermined amount

This is where the large lighted "TRINIDAD" sign is located. It is a popular overlook for locals and visitors alike.

TSJC Xeriscape Park

Location: Pine Street and State Street

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	0.70 acres
Parking	On street parking

This park is a xeriscape park that is owned and maintained by Trinidad State Junior College. This park was built in 2004, highlighting an example of a flowering garden using plants that are suited for Trinidad's environment. It is also a good example of what can be done with a former building site, turning an empty lot into something beneficial to the community.

TSJC Sander's Field

Location: Broom Street and State Street

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	1.6 acres
Parking	20+/- Off street parking / On street parking
Park Facilities	1 youth/practice football/soccer fields

This park consists of 1 open field, separated from Centennial field by State Street. This park is used mainly for youth football and soccer.

Trinidad School District Centennial Field

Location: Broom Street and State Street

Park Type	Mini Park
Size	1.6 acres
Parking	20+/- Off street parking / On street parking
Park Facilities	1 youth/practice football/soccer fields

This park consists of an open field, separated from Sander's field by State Street. This park is used mainly for youth football and soccer.

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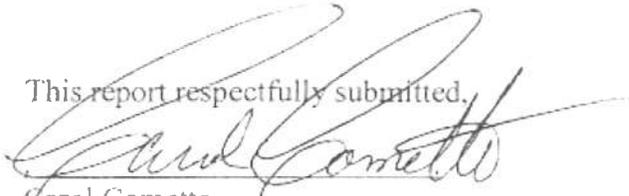
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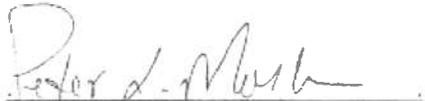
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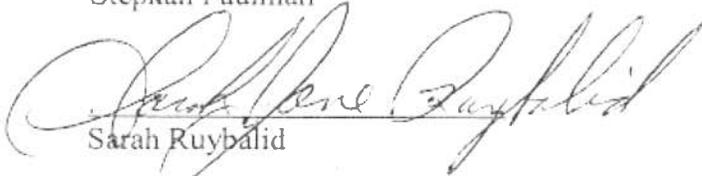

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