









CONTENTS

OUR CITY + OUR PARKS	7
INTRODUCTION + PURPOSE	8
THE DOCUMENT + PROCESS	10
THE BIG PICTURE	14
THE ROLE OF PARKS AND RECREATION	16
DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS	22
RELATED PLANNING EFFORTS	30
SECTION 01 REFERENCES	37
THE PARKS BLOOMINGTON HAS	39
HISTORY OF BLOOMINGTON'S PARK SYSTEM	40
ELEMENTS OF BLOOMINGTON'S PARK SYSTEM	42
PROGRAM ASSESSMENT	84
COVID IMPACTS	92
SECTION 02 REFERENCES	94

THE PARKS BLOOMINGTON NEEDS	95
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	96
RECREATIONAL TRENDS ANALYSIS	114
UPDATED VISION AND MISSION	124
PRIORITY PARK ELEMENTS	128
SECTION 03 REFERENCES	166
HOW WE GET THERE	167
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP) APPROACH	168
PARK CLASSIFICATIONS AND REDEVELOPMENT	174
EVOLUTION OF A TYPICAL PARK	188
ACTION PLAN	204
APPENDICES	

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR TIM BUSSE

COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT I DWAYNE LOWMAN

COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT II SHAWN NELSON

COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT III JACK BALOGA

COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT IV PATRICK MARTIN

COUNCIL MEMBER AT LARGE JENNA CARTER

COUNCIL MEMBER AT LARGE NATHAN COULTER

COMMUNITY PARTICIPANTS

THIS PARK SYSTEM MASTER PLAN COULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE ENERGY, EFFORTS, PARTICIPATION, AND SHARED KNOWLEDGE FROM THE BLOOMINGTON COMMUNITY.

CONSULTANT TEAM

CONFLUENCE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

PROS CONSULTING

RSP DREAMBOX

PARKS, ARTS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

GRACEN CROMBIE, YOUTH COMMISSIONER

JOY FOGG, COMMISSIONER

ANDY HOFFMAN, COMMISSIONER

LAURA PERREAULT, COMMISSIONER

LANCE SCHUER, COMMISSIONER

ANN MARIE TERPSTRA, COMMISSIONER

STEPHANIE TUNGSETH, CHAIRPERSON

PAST COMMISSIONERS

LENNY SCHMITZ, CHAIRPERSON

ABDULAHI FARAH, COMMISSIONER

DAVE RICKERT, COMMISSIONER

SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

MAYA HIDALGO, YOUNG ADULT COMMISSIONER

XIAOXIN (YANYAN) ZENG, YOUNG ADULT COMMISSIONER

DWAYNE LOWMAN, CITY COUNCIL LIASON

EMMA STRUSS, COMMISSION'S COORDINATOR

TIM SANDRY, CHAIR

DAVID DRUMMOND, VICE CHAIR

ROB BOUTA, COMMISSIONER

STEPHANIE AUEN, COMMISSIONER

PAUL ERDMANN, COMMISSIONER

STEVE FLAGG, COMMISSIONER

SARA THRONDSON, COMMISSIONER

DEANNA WHITE, COMMISSIONER

CITY STAFF

JAMIE VERBRUGGE, CITY MANAGER

ANN KATTREH, DIRECTOR PARKS & RECREATION

SUSAN FAUS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR PARKS & RECREATION

RENAE CLARK, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PARKS & PARK PROJECTS | PARK SYSTEM MASTER PLAN PROJECT MANAGER

ALLISON WARREN, RECREATION MANAGER

JENNA SMITH, RECREATION SUPERVISOR

MARK MORRISON, PARK SUPERVISOR

EVYN HUBBARD, RECREATION SUPERVISOR

DAVID BENSON, RECREATION SUPERVISOR

LINDA BATTERSON, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

BRETT TALBOT, COMMUNICATION SPECIALIST

JEAN SANON, RECREATION COORDINATOR

AMANDA CROMBIE, COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR

FAITH JACKSON, RACIAL EQUITY COORDINATOR

JULIE FARNHAM, SENIOR PLANNER

JOHN BRADFORD, MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT

DAVE HANSON, PARK MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

MARK RODGERS, PARK MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

JEREMY KLOTZ, PARK MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

ELLEN L. BIALES, DEPUTY DIRECTOR PUBLIC WORKS

MARK RODGERS, PARK MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

EMMA STRUSS, SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR

FACILITY MANAGERS

LEAH HUGHES, MANAGER, CENTER FOR THE ARTS

PETER KURVERS, MANAGER, DAWN GOLF COURSE

JILL MURPHY, MANAGER, CREEKSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER

LENNY SCHMITZ, BLOOMINGTON ICE GARDEN

This page intentionally left blank.