



CITY OF ANN ARBOR PARK MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS MILLAGE

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

WHAT ARE CAPITAL PROJECTS?

Capital Projects are major construction projects that keep the park system safe, accessible and protect the structural integrity of buildings, playgrounds, game courts, paths and other park amenities.

Projects are prioritized for safety, accessibility, level of use, age, and geographical distribution. A needs assessment for the entire park system was completed as part of the 2016-2020 Parks and Recreation Open Space Plan update. This evaluation is used as a guide to plan and budget construction projects for the duration of the millage.

RECREATION FACILITIES:

Capital projects at recreation facilities include major renovations to protect and preserve infrastructure, to improve customer experience by replacing aging amenities, to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and to keep up to date with current recreational trends. Some of the projects completed in recent years include:

Buhr Pool and Ice Arena – Installed new pool boiler and pump, and a new pool liner.

Fuller Pool – Installed a new pool liner, performed stucco repairs on the building exterior, added shade structures, installed new pool boiler.

Veterans Memorial Pool and Ice Arena – Constructed new shade structure with solar panels, replaced ice arena roof, replaced cooling tower, new pool liner, pool filter, and pool pump.

Farmers Market – Paved 'sand lot', replaced entry doors, repaired steel columns and column bases on canopies.

Kempf House – This historic house was renovated, including barrier free access, structural improvements to the basement, window restoration, and painting of the exterior.

Leslie Park Golf Course – New maintenance equipment.

Huron Hills Golf Course – Barn roof replacement.

Senior Center – renovated restrooms for barrier-free access, replaced windows, installed new roof and ceiling.

Gallup Park – renovated meeting room and barrier-free restroom, installed new landscaping, barrier-free kayak docks and fishing dock, constructed pathways and service drive, installed new park signs.

Cobblestone Farm – Roof replacement on both the barn and the house, replaced cedar siding on the barn.

Leslie Science and Nature Center – Significant repairs to main house, including windows, ADA, pathways.

Mack Pool – updated electrical, installed new LED lights, replaced roof, replaced pool pump, replaced ventilation ducts, restored shower room, repainted pool ceiling.

Bryant Community Center – new addition currently under construction that will connect two buildings, allowing for greater programming capacity, barrier-free upgrades, new flooring, and renovated restrooms.



Pool equipment.

MILLAGE REVENUE FUNDS PARK
MAINTENANCE PROJECTS AND
IMPROVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE
CITY OF ANN ARBOR PARKS SYSTEM

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COMMUNITY WIDE PARKS:

These larger regional parks generally contain game courts, athletic fields and picnic shelters, play areas, roads and parking lots, and restrooms. Capital improvements involve replacement and renovation of these park amenities as they age over time. Examples of completed projects include:

Gallup Park – The eastern section of the Border-to-Border trail was replaced and widened where possible. The Rotary Universal Access Playground was constructed, using millage funds, donations from Rotary, and grants.

Veterans Memorial Park – Baseball and softball fields were renovated. The Ann Arbor Skatepark was constructed, using millage funds, grant sources, and private contributions.

Buhr Park – Entry roads and parking lots were reconstructed to conform to ADA and improve Stormwater management.

West Park – Baseball field was renovated.

Southeast Area Park – Softball fields were renovated.



The Braille alphabet sign is a new feature in Gallup Park.



Visitors enjoy all the features our skatepark at Veterans Memorial Park has to offer.

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS:

Most neighborhood parks include a play structure, pathways, park furniture and landscaping, and generally serve residents who live within ¼ mile from the park. Playgrounds are typically replaced on a 20 year cycle depending on their condition and compliance with the ADA. Pathways, park furniture and landscaping are often upgraded at the same time.



A cyclist enjoying a trail ride in an Ann Arbor park.

Playgrounds replaced or renovated in recent years include: Arbor Oaks, Bader, Beckley, Burr Oak, Cranbrook, Esch, Placid Way, Scheffler, South University, and Winewood Thaler.

Along with the playgrounds, landscaping, pathway improvements, and park furniture were installed at most of the above mentioned parks, with pathway improvements at Beckley, Clinton, Wurster, Esch, and Veterans Memorial Park.



A child playing at the new Rotary Club of Ann Arbor Centennial Playground located in Gallup Park.