# APPENDIX B: COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

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#### **Form Results Summary**

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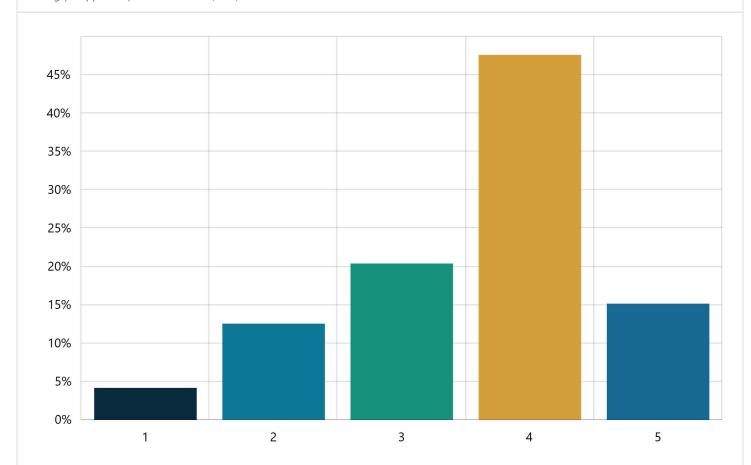
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\*Please note - for questions that have the option for free form comments scroll past the main survey results to see the recorded individual comments made.

193 Contributions

#### **Contribution Summary**

#### 1. Overall, how would you rate your satisfaction with the level of maintenance and appearance of the Jefferson parks system? Rating | Skipped: 2 | Answered: 191 (99%)

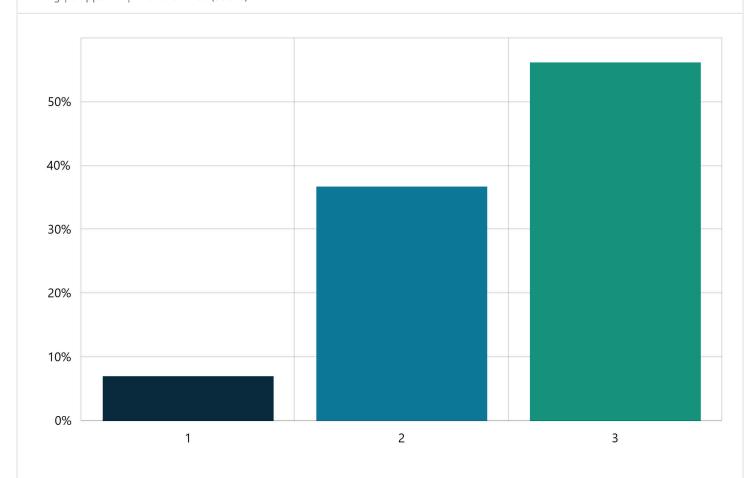


1	2	3	4	5	Count	Weighted average
4.19% 8	12.57% 24	20.42% 39	47.64% 91	15.18% 29	191	3.57

2. If you would like to expand on the reasoning for your overall park maintenance and appearance satisfaction, please add your comments here.  Short Text   Skipped: 145   Answered: 48 (24.9%)
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## **3. In your opinion, how safe are the Jefferson parks?** Rating | Skipped: 8 | Answered: 185 (95.9%)

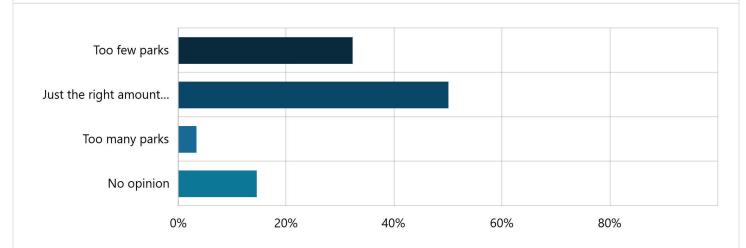


1	2	3	Count	Weighted average
7.03% 13	36.76% 68	56.22% 104	185	2.49

<b>4.</b> If you would like to expand on the reasoning for your safety rating for the parks please add your comments here.  Short Text   Skipped: 162   Answered: 31 (16.1%)
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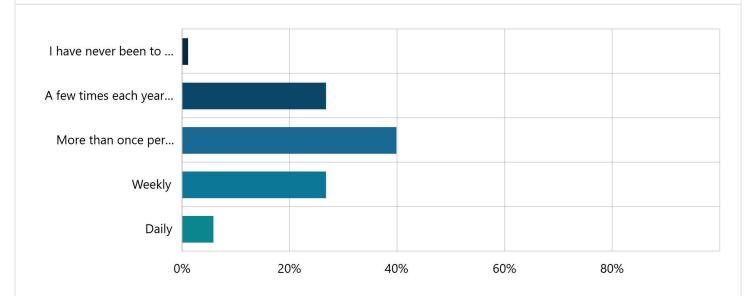
## **5. In your opinion, Jefferson has:** Select Box | Skipped: 41 | Answered: 152 (78.8%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Too few parks	32.24%	49
Just the right amount of parks	50.00%	76
Too many parks	3.29%	5
No opinion	14.47%	22
Total	100.00%	152



## **6. How often do you or members of your household visit parks in Jefferson?** Select Box | Skipped: 2 | Answered: 191 (99%)



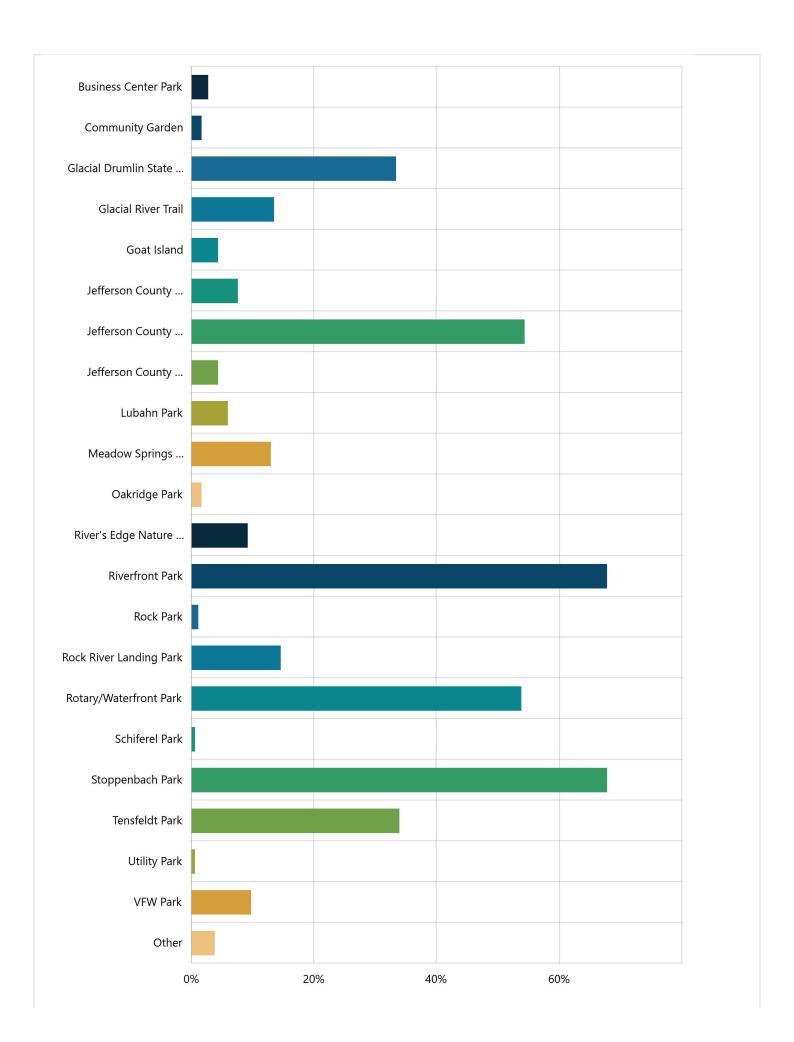
Answer choices	Percent	Count
I have never been to a park in Jefferson	1.05%	2
A few times each year or less	26.70%	51
More than once per month	39.79%	76
Weekly	26.70%	51
Daily	5.76%	11
Total	100.00%	191

7. If you or other members of your household have never been to a Jefferson park or only visit a few times each year, please share with us why you have not visited the parks or not visited often.  Short Text   Skipped: 163   Answered: 30 (15.5%)
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8. If you or anyone in your household has visited a park or open space in Jefferson, please specify up to five locations you currently use most often. Multi Choice | Skipped: 7 | Answered: 186 (96.4%)

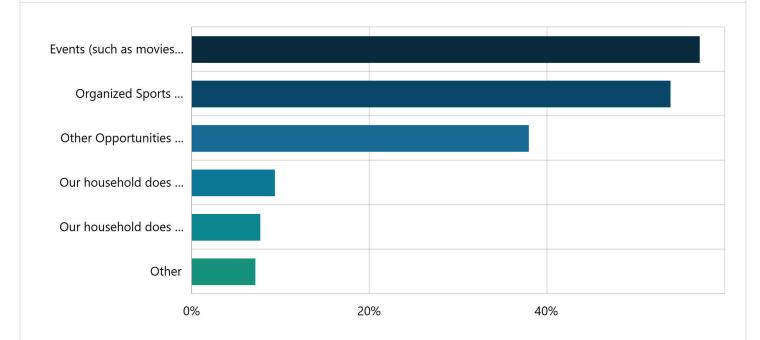






Answer choices	Percent	Count
Business Center Park	2.69%	5
Community Garden	1.61%	3
Glacial Drumlin State Trail	33.33%	62
Glacial River Trail	13.44%	25
Goat Island	4.30%	8
Jefferson County Crawfish River Park	7.53%	14
Jefferson County Fairgrounds	54.30%	101
Jefferson County Mountain Bike Park	4.30%	8
Lubahn Park	5.91%	11
Meadow Springs Conservancy	12.90%	24
Oakridge Park	1.61%	3
River's Edge Nature Preserve	9.14%	17
Riverfront Park	67.74%	126
Rock Park	1.08%	2
Rock River Landing Park	14.52%	27
Rotary/Waterfront Park	53.76%	100
Schiferel Park	0.54%	1
Stoppenbach Park	67.74%	126
Tensfeldt Park	33.87%	63
Utility Park	0.54%	1
VFW Park	9.68%	18
Other	3.76%	7

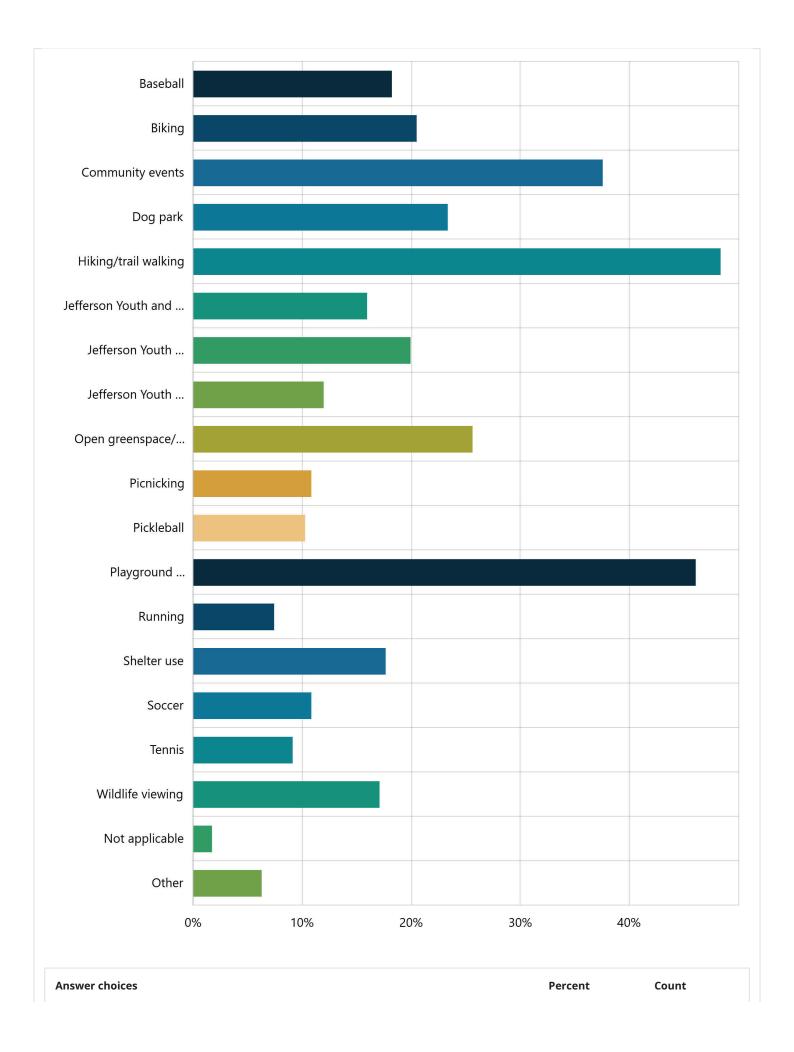
#### 9. What kind of City of Jefferson Parks and Recreation Department organized activities do you or your family currently participate in? Select all that apply. Multi Choice | Skipped: 11 | Answered: 182 (94.3%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Events (such as movies in the park, music in the park, family fun night, deck the house, etc)	57.14%	104
Organized Sports (such as soccer, baseball, football, etc)	53.85%	98
Other Opportunities (such as exercise classes, senior activity center events, open gym, community garden plot rental, etc)	37.91%	69
Our household does not participate in City-sponsored sports and recreation activities but does participate in Jefferson School District sponsored sports and recreation activities.	9.34%	17
Our household does not participate in organized events, recreation, or other activities in the parks	7.69%	14
Other	7.14%	13

10. What kind of non-City organized activities do you or your household currently participate in at City of Jefferson parks? Select up to 5. Multi Choice | Skipped: 17 | Answered: 176 (91.2%)





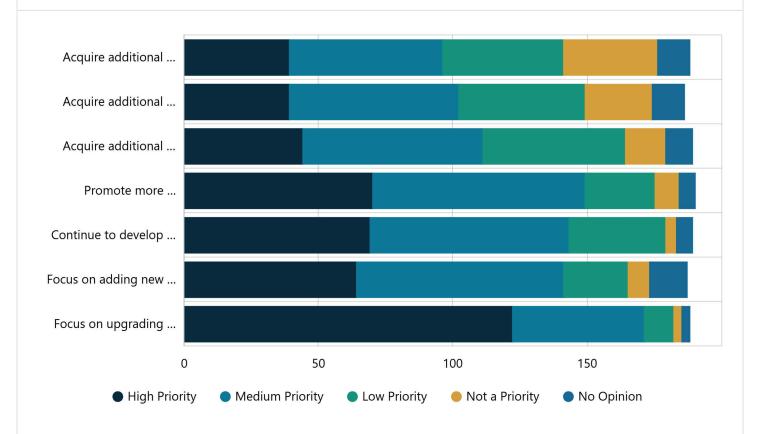


Baseball	18.18%	32
Biking	20.45%	36
Community events	37.50%	66
Dog park	23.30%	41
Hiking/trail walking	48.30%	85
Jefferson Youth and Softball Club	15.91%	28
Jefferson Youth Basketball	19.89%	35
Jefferson Youth Tackle Football	11.93%	21
Open greenspace/play area use	25.57%	45
Picnicking	10.80%	19
Pickleball	10.23%	18
Playground equipment use	46.02%	81
Running	7.39%	13
Shelter use	17.61%	31
Soccer	10.80%	19
Tennis	9.09%	16
Wildlife viewing	17.05%	30
Not applicable	1.70%	3
Other	6.25%	11



## 11. In your opinion, what are the top priorities for the City of Jefferson parks and recreation to pursue over the next decade? For each category below, indicate the level of priority.

Matrix | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 192 (99.5%)



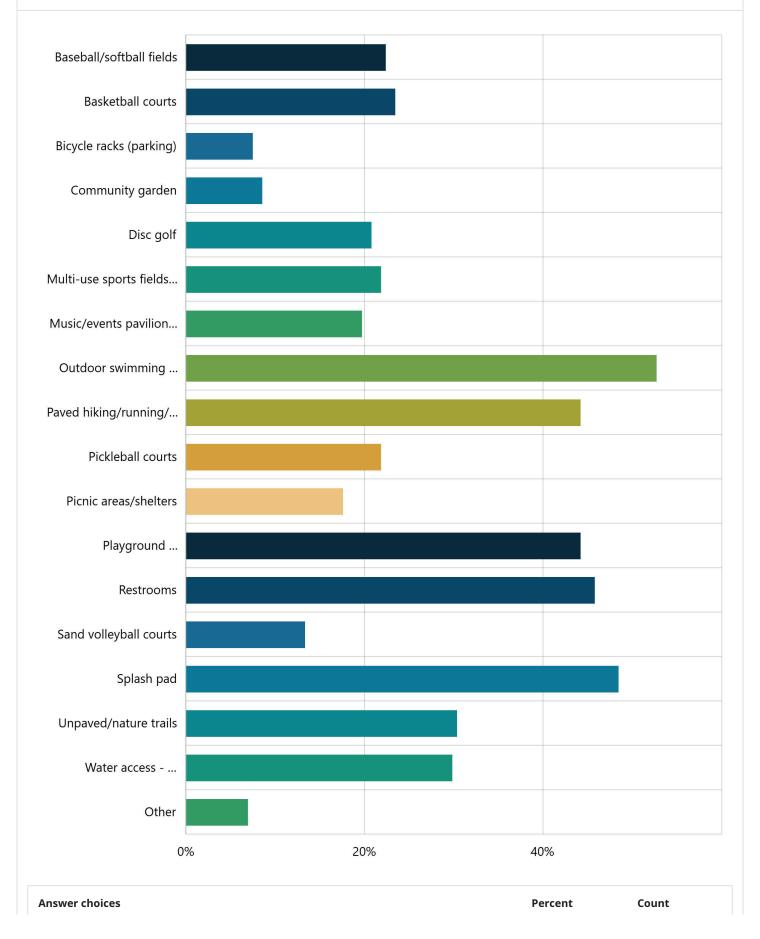
	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	Not a Priority	No Opinion	Count	Score
Acquire additional parkland for small neighborhoo d parks (ex. playground equipment, shelter, open playfield, etc.)	20.74% 39	30.32% 57	23.94% 45	18.62% 35	6.38% 12	188	2.60
Acquire additional parkland for future active sports facilities (ex: ball diamonds, sports fields, etc.)	20.97% 39	33.87% 63	25.27% 47	13.44% 25	6.45% 12	186	2.51
Acquire additional parkland for natural resource preservation	23.28% 44	35.45% 67	28.04% 53	7.94% 15	5.29% 10	189	2.37



and passive recreational uses							
Promote more activities and community gathering opportunitie s (festivals, programmin g, events, public art, etc.) throughout existing parks	36.84% 70	41.58% 79	13.68% 26	4.74% 9	3.16% 6	190	1.96
Continue to develop opportunitie s to expand the existing trail systems between parks and city points of interest and activities	36.51% 69	39.15% 74	19.05% 36	2.12% 4	3.17% 6	189	1.96
Focus on adding new park facilities within the existing park system	34.22% 64	41.18% 77	12.83% 24	4.28% 8	7.49% 14	187	2.10
Focus on upgrading and maintaining existing park facilities in the community's parks and open spaces	64.89% 122	26.06% 49	5.85% 11	1.60% 3	1.60% 3	188	1.49



#### 12. Which of the following types of parks and recreation facilities would you like to see more of in Jefferson? **Select all that apply.**Multi Choice | Skipped: 5 | Answered: 188 (97.4%)

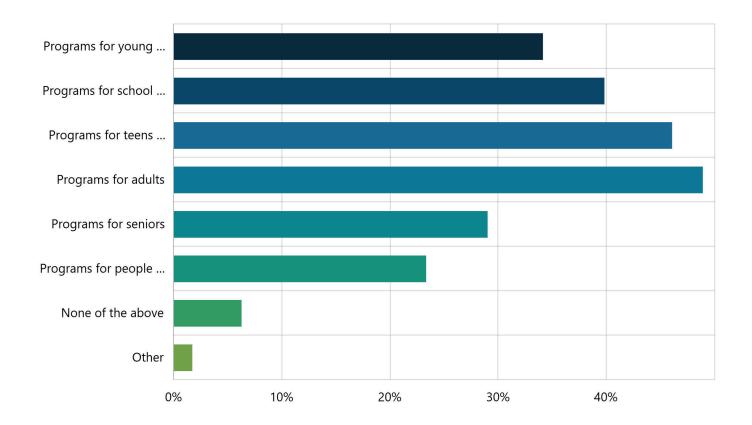




Baseball/softball fields	22.34%	42
Basketball courts	23.40%	44
Bicycle racks (parking)	7.45%	14
Community garden	8.51%	16
Disc golf	20.74%	39
Multi-use sports fields (such as soccer, football, etc.)	21.81%	41
Music/events pavilion or band shell	19.68%	37
Outdoor swimming pool	52.66%	99
Paved hiking/running/biking trails	44.15%	83
Pickleball courts	21.81%	41
Picnic areas/shelters	17.55%	33
Playground structures and equipment	44.15%	83
Restrooms	45.74%	86
Sand volleyball courts	13.30%	25
Splash pad	48.40%	91
Unpaved/nature trails	30.32%	57
Water access - non-motorized uses (canoe/kayak, fishing, wildlife viewing, shoreline seating, etc.)	29.79%	56
Other	6.91%	13

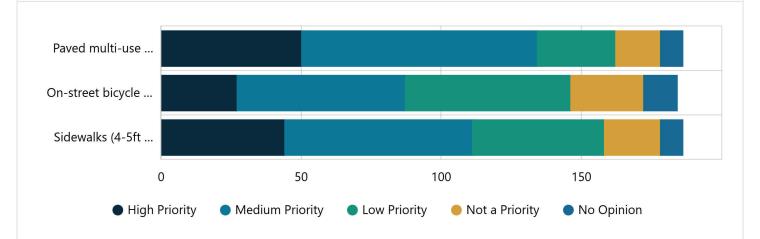


#### 13. What additional recreational programs would you like to see offered in the community? Select all that **apply.**Multi Choice | Skipped: 17 | Answered: 176 (91.2%)



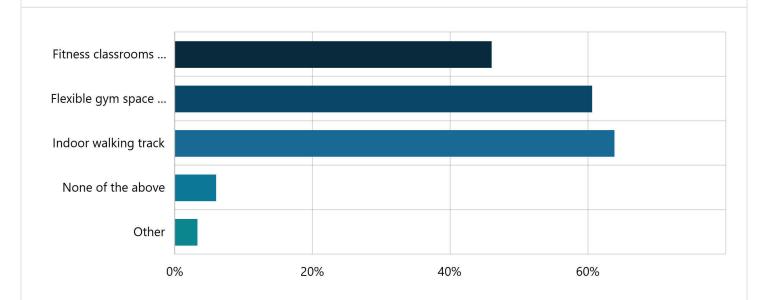


#### 14. Which of the following types of active transportation facilities would you like to see more of in the City? For each category below, indicate the level of priority. Matrix | Skipped: 6 | Answered: 187 (96.9%)



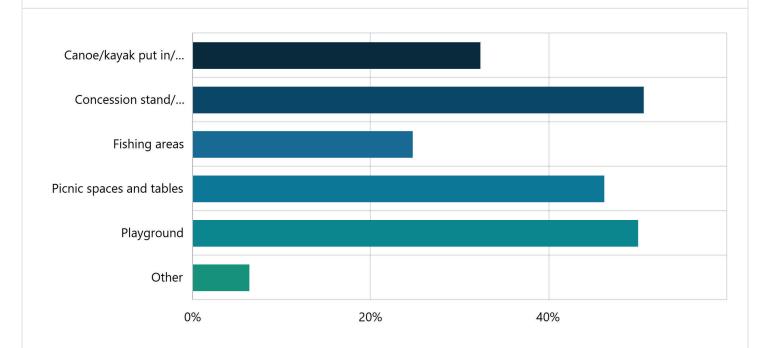
	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	Not a Priority	No Opinion	Count	Score
Paved multi- use trails (6-10ft wide paved trails and paths)	26.88% 50	45.16% 84	15.05% 28	8.60% 16	4.30% 8	186	2.18
On-street bicycle facilities (bike lanes, signage, painted markings)	14.67% 27	32.61% 60	32.07% 59	14.13% 26	6.52% 12	184	2.65
Sidewalks (4-5ft wide paved)	23.66% 44	36.02% 67	25.27% 47	10.75% 20	4.30% 8	186	2.36

## **15.** What indoor recreational facilities would you like to see offered by the City, if any? Select all that apply. Multi Choice | Skipped: 8 | Answered: 185 (95.9%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness classrooms (for activities like yoga, Zumba, etc)	45.95%	85
Flexible gym space (For activities like basketball, pickleball, open gym, etc)	60.54%	112
Indoor walking track	63.78%	118
None of the above	5.95%	11
Other	3.24%	6

## **16. What type of amenities would you like to see in Rotary Park?** Multi Choice | Skipped: 35 | Answered: 158 (81.9%)

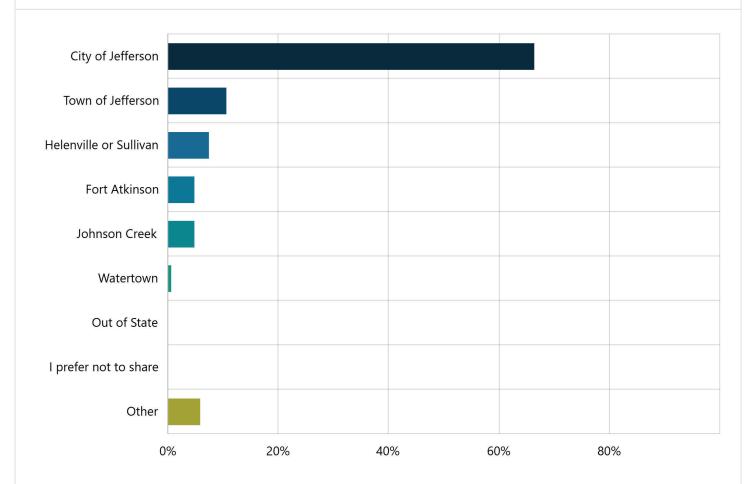


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Canoe/kayak put in/take out	32.28%	51
Concession stand/restroom updates	50.63%	80
Fishing areas	24.68%	39
Picnic spaces and tables	46.20%	73
Playground	50.00%	79
Other	6.33%	10

17. What would attract you to Rotary Park year-round? Short Text   Skipped: 133   Answered: 60 (31.1%)
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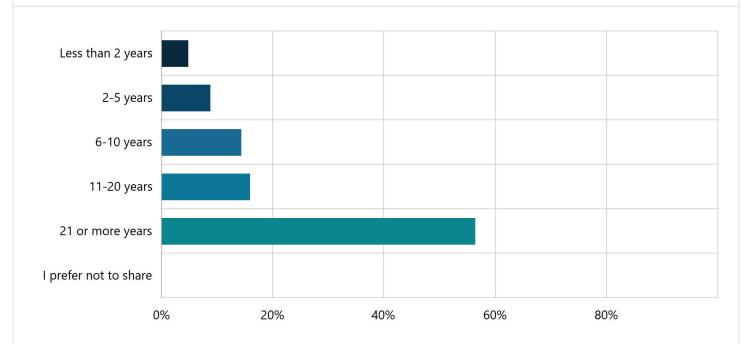


## **18. What municipality do you live in?** Required Select Box | Skipped: 3 | Answered: 190 (98.4%)



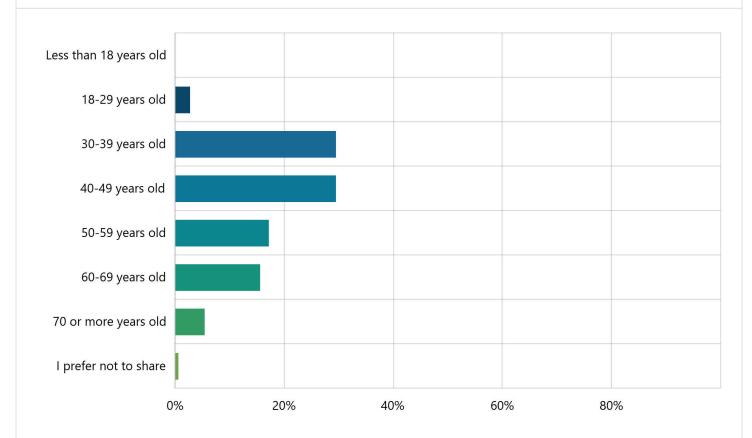
Answer choices	Percent	Count
City of Jefferson	66.32%	126
Town of Jefferson	10.53%	20
Helenville or Sullivan	7.37%	14
Fort Atkinson	4.74%	9
Johnson Creek	4.74%	9
Watertown	0.53%	1
Out of State	0%	0
I prefer not to share	0%	0
Other	5.79%	11
Total	100.00%	190

## **19. How long have you lived within the City of Jefferson?** Select Box | Skipped: 67 | Answered: 126 (65.3%)



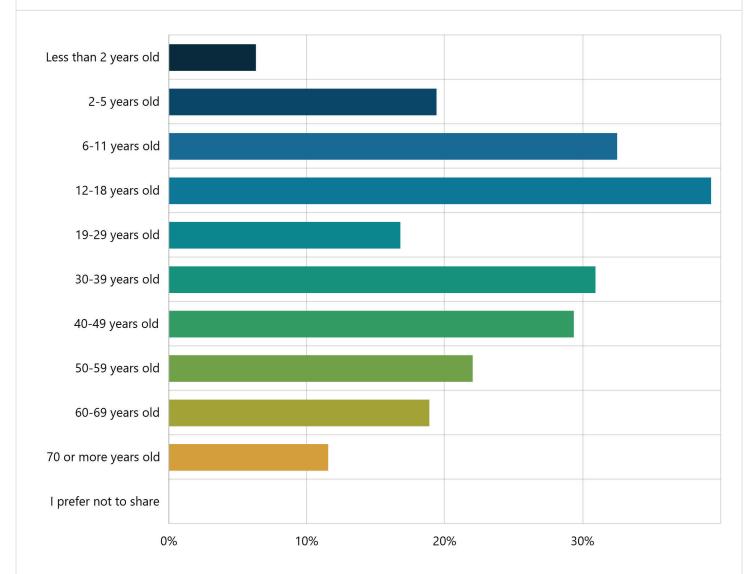
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Less than 2 years	4.76%	6
2-5 years	8.73%	11
6-10 years	14.29%	18
11-20 years	15.87%	20
21 or more years	56.35%	71
I prefer not to share	0%	0
Total	100.00%	126

## 20. What is the age group of the person filling out this survey? Select Box | Skipped: 6 | Answered: 187 (96.9%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Less than 18 years old	0%	0
18-29 years old	2.67%	5
30-39 years old	29.41%	55
40-49 years old	29.41%	55
50-59 years old	17.11%	32
60-69 years old	15.51%	29
70 or more years old	5.35%	10
I prefer not to share	0.53%	1
Total	100.00%	187

## **21.** Including yourself, what age ranges to people in your household fall into? Select all that apply. Multi Choice | Skipped: 2 | Answered: 191 (99%)



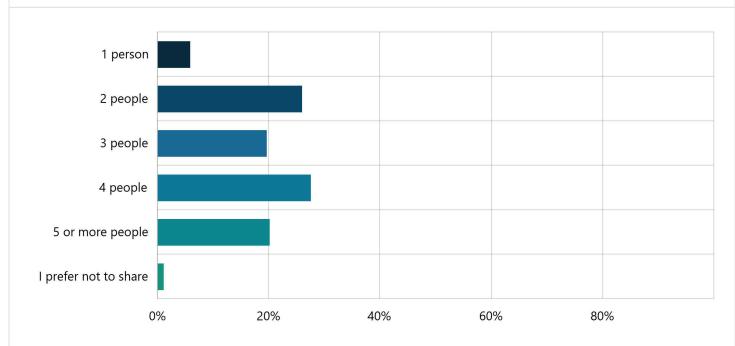
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Less than 2 years old	6.28%	12
2-5 years old	19.37%	37
6-11 years old	32.46%	62
12-18 years old	39.27%	75
19-29 years old	16.75%	32
30-39 years old	30.89%	59
40-49 years old	29.32%	56
50-59 years old	21.99%	42
60-69 years old	18.85%	36



70 or more years old	11.52%	22
I prefer not to share	0%	0

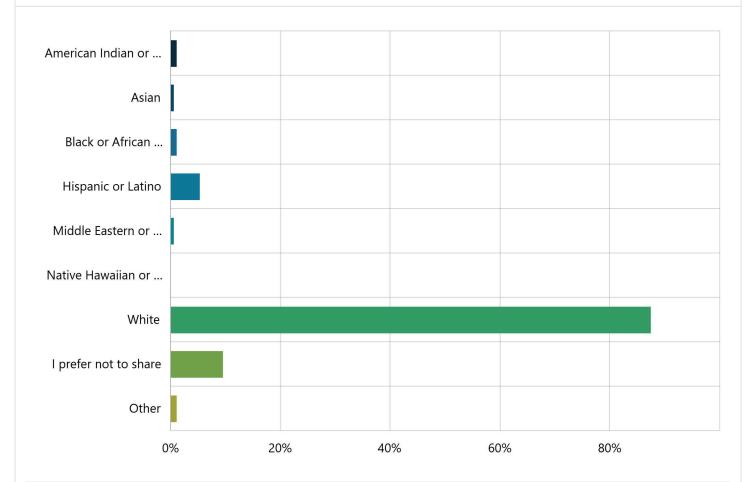


## **22. Including yourself, how many people live in your household?** Select Box | Skipped: 4 | Answered: 189 (97.9%)



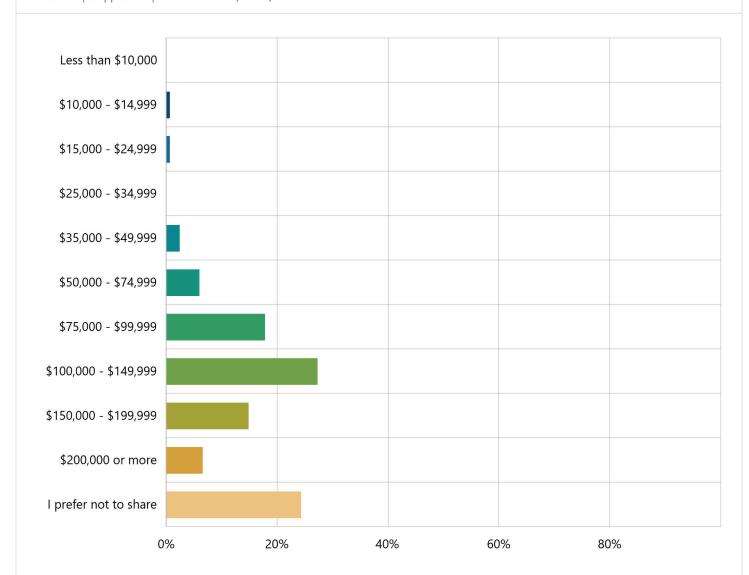
Answer choices	Percent	Count
1 person	5.82%	11
2 people	25.93%	49
3 people	19.58%	37
4 people	27.51%	52
5 or more people	20.11%	38
I prefer not to share	1.06%	2
Total	100.00%	189

## 23. What race and/or ethnicities are represented within your household? Select all that apply. Multi Choice $\mid$ Skipped: 3 $\mid$ Answered: 190 (98.4%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.05%	2
Asian	0.53%	1
Black or African American	1.05%	2
Hispanic or Latino	5.26%	10
Middle Eastern or North African	0.53%	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0%	0
White	87.37%	166
I prefer not to share	9.47%	18
Other	1.05%	2

### **24.** What was your annual total household income from all sources, before taxes, in the last year? Select Box | Skipped: 24 | Answered: 169 (87.6%)



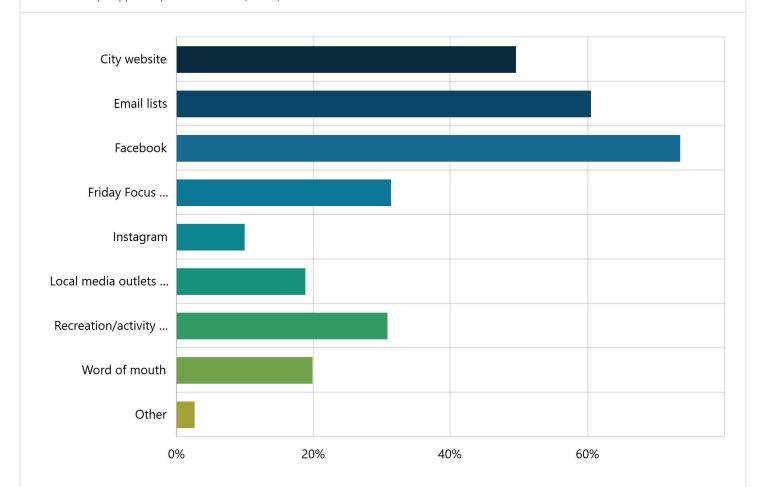
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Less than \$10,000	0%	0
\$10,000 - \$14,999	0.59%	1
\$15,000 - \$24,999	0.59%	1
\$25,000 - \$34,999	0%	0
\$35,000 - \$49,999	2.37%	4
\$50,000 - \$74,999	5.92%	10
\$75,000 - \$99,999	17.75%	30
\$100,000 - \$149,999	27.22%	46
\$150,000 - \$199,999	14.79%	25



\$200,000 or more	6.51%	11
I prefer not to share	24.26%	41
Total	100.00%	169



#### 25. What is the best way for your household to stay informed of the City's recreational opportunities and park **updates? Select all that apply.**Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 192 (99.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
City website	49.48%	95
Email lists	60.42%	116
Facebook	73.44%	141
Friday Focus (e-newsletter from the School District)	31.25%	60
Instagram	9.90%	19
Local media outlets (newspaper, radio, etc.)	18.75%	36
Recreation/activity guides	30.73%	59
Word of mouth	19.79%	38
Other	2.60%	5

26. Please share any additional comments that could assist the City in improving parks, trails, open space, or recreational facilities and services.  Long Text   Skipped: 146   Answered: 47 (24.4%)
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## All Comments Submitted Online (Verbatim as submitted):

## Q2: Reasoning for overall park maintenance and appearance

- River Front park is extreme deteriorating shape. Not safe for children due to the massive amounts of animal feces
- Trash isn't always picked up in a timely manner.
- Cleansiness
- Parks overall look pretty good but the bathroom at the skate park are not good
- Bathrooms need updating and repairs at Stoppenbauch and Riverfront.
- The playground at Riverfront was pretty rough at times.
- I'm disappointed with the weeds and junk around the swimming pool.
- The woman's restroom needs to have a safer experience walking through. Very slippery and my granddaughter almost fell and hit her head. Needs to painted / heated towards children. Very disappointed how this doesn't reflect kids and fun.
- Some of the things are outdated and need replacing
- The slide at the pool and playground at Riverfront are the reasons for this rating. Both are very visible and non-functioning
- Too much blacktop in green spaces. Not on my dogs feet
- I really enjoy the new trail in the center of Jefferson and I really appreciate the clearing of snow.
- The parks are clean but could use some more floral landscaping, especially along the trails
- Things appear to be well maintained but many of the buildings and restrooms are dated and need upgrades or should be replaced.
- Lubahn Park was supposed to go all the way through to Lucas Lane. Watertown Road is NOT safe for k
- Day to day maintenance is horrible: Swings that need oil badly, wood chips not being kept up without constant reminding and other
- More attention needed to basic upkeep. Wood chips, water fountains, squeaky swings, clean and safe equipment.
- do not visit often, but when we do, parks are clean and user friendly.
- Dated and not well groomed. Lighting systems etc..
- Park that I spend the most time at is always clean and well maintained
- In preparation for an active park season, I would hope there would be a maintenance fund that would cover the cost of an additional layer of mulch and replacement of play equipment and it would be nice to have water bubblers working.
- Castle park needs a sanding and staining badly. Tensfeldt, baseball/softball fields are too easily under water. Infields could be better cared for- weeds, grass.
- Trash removal more frequently. Nicer containers and more of them wuth recycling bins.
- Castle park was never taken care of. Weeds growing all over. The wooden structure could have been maintained and still been in good condition if only it was taken care of properly. Also the aquatic center- sad to see what it has become since I was little.
- Given tight budgets, we feel that the City of Jefferson offers wonderful park experiences that are well maintained and enjoyable.

- Standing water in park near Rock river.
- There have been challenges in keeping the flower beds in good order at Rotary Park. I appreciate that dogs are now allowed at some of the parks, unfortunately not all dog owners are complying with picking up the waste.
- Not maintained well that's why we had to tear down the castle park.
- grass is often overgrown, and overall dirty
- Maintenance is great. Would enjoy some upgrades on playground equipment etc.
- Many of the parks don't have enough ground covering like wood chips. Some of the playgrounds like riverfront we're broken and not repaired and now torn down. The swimming pool slide was not working and we were not told before purchasing pool passes.
- Sidewalks need to be more even
- I do not feel like the parks are groomed to the best of the ability of the workers. There are always weeds to be pulled that do not get done.
- Baseball field needs attention. Basketball court needs attention.
- Small playground is far from the larger one and is less engaging. Hard to watch kids of multiple ages on different ends
- Tensfeld park is too small for the amount of children occupying it during the summer. The rock river park is a bit beat up. The pool, well… total redo and the area is too small.
- Just go look at river front park. The pickleball tennis courts need to fixed. The basket ball court needs to be fixed. The playground has been shut down for a while...yet this is one of the highly used parks because of the baseball fields
- Bathrooms should be open longer. I remember alot of times going to the parks out of typical "summer time" and no bathrooms with toddlers/small children is an emergency.
- the fields are in terrible shape; tensfield is bumpy with few amentities. ball diamonds are not maintained well. It's unfortunate to compare our facilities to our peers and neighboring communities.
- Seems very clean and well maintained few times my child has ised the park.
- Very few parks. Of the parks there are, some don't have equipment for all age levels. The parks
  by the water treatment facility doesn't even have a slide.
- Always clean but some is just worn down.
- Some equipment is in need of repair and the parks sometimes aren't well kept with wood chips and other basic maintenance. Generally, they're in decent condition and we don't hesitate to use them.
- Would like to see the fields better upkeep
- Park on North Elizabeth Ave has delinquency and trucks burning tires and damaging area frequently. Jefferson Police have been called and seem to do nothing
- Riverfront park playground of dreams was not kept up well. broken glass, trash, and poor maintenance
- The parks are beautiful. I do notice that sometimes things remain broken for long periods of time on the playgrounds.
- I don't think Rotary park's plantings are maintained well (weeding needed by city employees too).

- I would not send my kids to the park by themselves. Parks themselves might be safe but not the people visiting them. Could there be cameras outside of bathrooms?
- Riverfront Park has had stabbings and shootings.
- Never had a problem but won't visit after dark
- The castle area of Riverfront park has had issues in the past.
- I know we can't control who goes to the parks, but I have been abounding certain ones due to teenagers using parks for small child and also drugs.
- If you are referring to the toys at Castle park, I've heard of lots of kids using the toys when they were available. I don't have children that use it, but I've heard it's falling apart.
- I live near Rock River Landing Park, which is so lovely, however cameras are needed for sure to detour people from having a meeting place to do bad things.
- Bring my grandkids and I walk the paths
- Skateboard park area. It has a reputation as a gathering place for some that do not skateboard. I get concerned when I drive by and see cars parked after dark w/no one skateboarding.
- Wish you would have just updated the wooden park instead of tearing it down. This was such a mistake.
- Depends on which park
- I don't feel that the play equipment is maintained and checked as often as it should be
- Stabbing
- Dated facilities.
- Yearly, equipment should be checked for safety and cleanliness. Riverfront playground has been terribly neglected resulting in injury. Stoppenbach had broken equipment this year. Citizens shouldn't have to complain and fight for maintenance.
- Never had a problem personally other than I know not to let kids (of any age) go to the castle park alone
- Glad they closed castle park as that was not safe
- During day seems safe, but at night not so much. Better light and more oversight.
- Aquatic center. Wooden deck that was built when I was a kid never taken care of. Actually terrible
  now can't even really be used as you don't want your bare feet on it because you might get
  the wood or nails in your feet. Overgrown weeds in the old sand
- Depends on the park
- Could use better lighting at night to improve comfort level at night.
- Playground at Riverfront was previously unsafe. Playground at Tenesfeldt is not appropriate for young children
- Tensfeldt park slide is not safe for little kids. Rotary Parks summer concerts are fun but kids by the water is nervous feeling all night.
- No soft ground landing. Often come home with muddy shoes or wood chips. Would love a semi
  fenced in area. I have 3 nephews that cannot go to parks that aren't enclosed and we now
  don't have any option in town.
- This has more to do with some of the people moving to town than with the parks themselves
- Out of date equipment leaves you wondering about safety
- We have never encountered any safety concerns with failure of equipment or otherwise

- Unless a parent is at the park kids are over run by teens using profanity and drugs
- Above park issues
- I've not seen any issues

## Q7: Reasoning for not visiting parks before or often

- When my children were little we busted weekly. Now that they are older we are visiting parks for different reasons and go less often.
- Live on outskirts of town
- There's too many and with few attracting features
- I mainly go there with grandchildren
- Not clean. Worry about kids finding drugs.
- If the ball field area at Riverfront is considered a park, I do go to games there. I go to watch soccer in season and specifically follow the HS and other ball teams. We attend activities at Jefferson Fair park also
- We go when there are softball games. Castle park cool but def was a bunch of older kids hanging around that shouldn't be there at times imo
- We visit monthly at least during warm months
- Not a large amount or a lot to do. The only one we knew of is currently under construction.
- Need some closer to the south side of town
- Getting older so haven't been to them as often.
- I don't have small kids. They're all for a younger generation
- When we do go it is offen crowded and not able to use all the equipment. Wish there was more foot ball goals and soccer goal and basketball courts other then the one.
- Mainly riverfront during softball season
- Children are grown and out of the house. Have been to Riverfront park for an occasional softball game in the last few years. Rotary Park for concerts
- We don't find the time.
- Kids grown, don't walk much
- Just have life going on
- My son is grown now. When he was little we would go a few times a week.
- Need to upkeep tennis courts better. They are in bad shape. Bring courts back to East side of Jefferson or make pickle ball courts on the east side
- I go to other communities as the parks in Jefferson are dirty, not taken care off, muddy, etc.
- we visit the parks when there is an event.
- Just never enough time in a day
- Kids have aged out of playgrounds and park and rec sports
- I don't live in Jefferson but take classes that are held in the park.
- Don't live in Jefferson and have access to county and state natural areas closer to home
- Child is too old. He utilizes the baseball fencing at Stoppenbach other than that not the actual playground.
- Rotary Park activities

- Our park visits tend to be at neighboring cities where we meet up with others. It's a more central location or we are trying out a new park.
- I do not live in Jefferson

## Q17: What would attract you to Rotary Park year-round?

- Mostly just a quick resting stop on our mile walk around the river. I don't believe it safe enough for
  my littles with the water proximity.
- Music
- If it was connected by trails to other trails and parks in Jefferson.
- Expanded path/biking path
- Legalized marijuana
- Playground, splash pad/ice skating rink
- I love the events at Rotary park but I'd love to see more of a "kids spaceâ€② especially with the library so close!
- Maintaining the existing attractions in Rotary Park would be adequate.
- Music, comedy shows, food trucks of different ethnic options, fun classes outdoor during summer time.
- Not sure--enjoy the beautiful lights at holidays, and we attend the music and festivals so maybe more of that
- Organized events, marketed properly, with concessions and food vendors.
- Majestic lighting year round/ music 🎶 going
- Please add Senior parking...not just Handicap.
- Something in the winter to draw me in. It has to be exciting enough for me to brave the cold.
- See above. LOVE the lights in winter!
- Snow making machines
- I already go there and enjoy it.
- Host events like art in the park or wine/beer tasting events. Would be nice to see more community
  events, feels like wasted potential
- Dog park
- Walking path
- More of an indoor person in the winter.
- I already go year round, but year round open bathrooms and winter activities would attract others
- Warming shelter, ice skating rink, play equipment available to use year round
- More family activities ie craft fairs, music, brew with a view kind of thing
- Seasonal markets, family activities.
- Not sure
- Shows, festival movie viewing. No playground next to the water.
- Any town festivals/events
- I appreciate the festive lights at night. A playground would be nice but we aren't maintaining the ones we have. Its not advisable to add more playgrounds w/o first taking care of those we have.
- Playground, sports fields etc
- music

- Don't personally care for it there as it is way to full of bugs in the air from the river
- More programming through collaboration with community businesses and non-profits.
- More music and events and music of all types not just loud Rock music bring back the Irish dancers, polka, Elvis inpersonator
- Our walking route usually goes through the park but in winter the sidewalks aren't always cleared after a snow. I would attend an outdoor event if there were heaters available.
- safety fence along water for small kids
- Food every day?
- Walking trails
- Other resources for other parks are more important than additional changes at Rotary park
- Unsure
- Igloos if they were able to be rented out.
- Music on weekends
- Sports activities
- Playground/events for children
- Weekly scheduled events
- January and February are cold, large outdoor fireplaces utilized for a gathering space
- Fishing
- Pavilions
- A bathroom in all seasons.
- A safe fishing space for my son. Biergarten, family activities
- Farmers market, cart witnessing with Jehovah Witnesses, family friendly gathering, food trucks
- Playground equipment and a splash pad for summer
- community activities for families and seniors
- Easier parking and access, more signage, nicer restaurants, safe environment for families
- Concessions
- Community events and continue concerts in park
- events
- Winter shelter
- Spashpad, hiking trails, biking paths, more concerts
- Events held there in the winter

# Q26: Please share any additional comments that could assist the City in improving parks, trails, open space, or recreational facilities and services:

- 1) It would be greatly appreciated if there could be more musical events. 2) during the winter months there is not an indoor pool available for use by the Jefferson community, even though an excellent pool at the HS. Swim lessons and adult lap swim is great, but there is no time set aside for families with children and that demographic would benefit from having unstructured open swim times several times per month.
- The city should focus more towards attracting sustainable businesses and improving positive community interactions with law enforcement

- Please update pool to something like what Fort Atkinson has so we can get the people that are going to fort back to Jefferson
- I really think having a play structure at riverside park is so important. I was sad to see the old play structure go (but understand the safety concerns). That area of town is used so much in the spring and summer months by families and kids of all ages. That play structure was a great space for siblings and kids to go when other kids were playing sports on the ball diamonds.
- Ball diamonds and indoor basketball and volleyball facilities are high in demand. Existing recreation programs rely too heavily on the schools for these activities.
- Some shade in certain parks for kids and parents to have a break, or have the option to use.
- Baby changing options in the restrooms.
- More activities for youth and teens that aren't into sports would be so valued, such as esports,
   D&D, games, maybe some youth outings, etc.
- I think we have adequate facilities. That is a lot of space to be maintained and that's where I think a better job can be done.
- I want to commend the parks and maintenance staff for all the work they do! They are always keeping our parks looking sharp!
- Thank you for the opportunity to share feedback. I'd like to add high emphasis on a splash pad in Jefferson. Our family personally travels to Milton quite often in the summer to enjoy the splash pad. Also, if funds ever allowed, I wish Tensfeldt had a park geared for younger kids as the older kids are typically the ones on the field.
- It would be nice to see more options offered other than sports for the kids. It would also be nice to have later times for exercise classes for adults.
- Additional Holiday lights, Music through out town for shopping. Beautiful bright flowers hanging along the downtown like other communities. We are far behind other communities. Fort, Dousman.
- Along with ethnicity ~ Income also does not matter. I pay just under \$6000.00 in property taxes per
  year. Perhaps that is a better question. Or...do you rent or own? My overall income has no value
  for this survey.
- The city does an amazing job overall for opportunities and maximizing green space. It would be good to make Rotary Park a gateway to downtown as a destination
- Would like to see a little love for the north side of town in regards to playground equipment for kids. South side has Riverfront Park and Tensfeldt Park, East side has East Elementary and Stoppenbach Park, West side has West Elementary, but North side only has a tiny structure at Rock River landing park (unless I'm missing something?). Maybe some playground equipment at Lubahn Park?
- I would like to see a multi age playground that would accommodate all children as well as those with disabilities. At rotary park tables that may have a chess or checker board for families to play or compete in chess tournaments. Playground equipment that encourages creativity and interaction.
- It would be nice to see a park that is for kids of all ages and abilities. When I went to visit my daughter in Lacrosse a year ago they opened a very nice park that incorporated kids and adult activities including exercise equipment. And they also had a merry go round that would hold a wheelchair.

- I use the trails for running it would be nice to make a sidewalk on the south side of Jefferson along hwy W. Lots of people walk there dogs and it's unsafe to walk to the trails over there. It would also be nice to add some prairie plants along the trail near hwy 26. It's kind of an eyesore trail that could look better.
- Having a dog park in fort would be nice. Doesn't even have to be fancy, just an area that allows
  off leash activity.
- Work with local businesses, bars and restaurants. I spend time in Green Bay at my sisters in summer. There downtown and adjacent areas along the Fox River are utilized spring summer and fall. They utilize the businesses with diverse entertainment, especially in the parks and along the river. There farmers market in summer and fall is great, again the have food vendors, bands, beer and wine areas.
- Should have maintained or fixed up playground before needing to demolish completely! Nowhere for kids to walk to play close now.
- There are simply too many youth sports and not enough facilities for a community of this size.
- Increase parks spaces for team sports as current school and city locations are limited. Indoor gym space is limited for basketball and volleyball as well as quality outdoor field spaces for soccer and baseball/softball.
- First, I would really like to emphasize my desire to see the follow through with an Imagination Type Playland at Riverfront. I don't think a flood zone designation, from what I heard, should keep it from happening. Quality play equipment should hold up to what could possibly happen many years from now. The current playland withstood the 2008 floods. The west side of town deserves a nice high quality playland.
- I'm also wondering how educated our park and rec people are in taking care of a natural conservancy and if it wouldn't be to their advantage to be sent to seminars about the topic.
- Please keep the city pool. It is an asset to the community and if it was updated and even expanded
  it would draw more attendance. I would hate to loose it. It was disheartening to see that the slide
  was not useable this year. Again a maintenance issue. With all the building and additional
  housing, increased in property taxes I pay every year I have to wonder why there aren't more funds
  available. We can't keep adding more parks and recreational areas without first taking care of
  what we have. Jefferson deserves more.
- We need a directly associated connection between the school district's athletics and the youth programs to better develop skills, increase participation, and most importantly train coaches so they are more willing to volunteer.
- The city/sdoj are very short on athletic field/gym space. Coordination between the two organizations is most likely to fix this.
- A splash pad and upgrade to the pool would be popular/keep more people from going to Fort's
  pool/programs.
- A rowing club in a rural town is extremely rare. How can the parks dept work with JRC to be part of the program?
- A disc golf course would be unique to the area, I thinks it's a great idea.
- You've probably looked into it, but the Excel PT building that is partially built seems like an opportunity to get gym/indoor field space that would quickly become profitable/booked

- Real pickleball courts would be useful, at the high school you have to use a tennis net.
   Stoppenbach Park would have been an ideal spot for pickleball, when you took the tennis courts out!!!!
- Splash pad at rock river landing park
- Really need a new outdoor pool. Put it between Jefferson and Johnson Creek.
- If anything please fix the pool and have it well maintained like it was years ago when I was a child.
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- Jefferson needs to be more pedestrian friendly. I have seen waaaay to many close calls for people walking
- Continued focus on bilingual materials helps everyone to feel welcome in our parks.
- Would love an indoor walking area and time set aside for in pool walking
- 1. NO pets in the parks, please. Tired of others dogs running up to you, jumping on you, barking when you are there to enjoy the outdoors.
- 2. Have the police quit picking on the kids hanging out at the boat launch park when they aren't doing anything wrong. They need a safe place to hang out as well.
- would love to see smaller neighborhood play areas with age appropriate equipment
- Equipment appropriate for ages 1-10 for example. And larger areas for older teens like basketball, tennis, pickleball etc
- Love the programs you currently offer. Would love to expand more with programs directed at girls (cheer, dance, additional gymnastics) Would love to see current playground/facilities updated, especially where sports events are held as siblings often play. Would love to see more locations for sports (football/baseball/soccer/basketball) so more availability for practice and games
- The City should partner with the School District on additional indoor and outdoor athletic facilities. It should shut the outdoor pool and add to the Schools indoor pool for 1 facility
- Splash pad would be fun for Jefferson.
- Focusing on maintaining and improving the nature aspect of our parks is very important. The trail that was made with the old golf course land is so beautiful and used constantly. The native plants that were put in are so beautiful and it really improves everyone's mood and health. I also think scheduling different activities at the parks or trails is a great way for our community to spend time together (ex-the trail race in the spring). Maybe a biweekly or monthly event at different parks to play games, kid and adult friendly (tag, kick ball, school yard games), would be a fun thing to try
- I enjoy the parks. I just wish they would maintain the ball fields better in the summer. I do not want to see weeds in the fields. It is important that they look nice!
- Have more group exercise classes during the day for adults and seniors.
- Expand the offerings for indoor water programs for adults
- Families need the opportunities to have safe, clean areas for children to play and interact with other children. An indoor option for the cold and rainy days for parents with kids would be amazing! And bathrooms year round…
- our rec guide is so outdated; we should spend the funds to make it more appealing. look to
  neighboring communities for ideas. the city website is terrible and needs a true revamp. the online
  registration system is great; very glad to have that. i think we are getting to the point where having
  sports programs coached by volunteers isn't sustainable, especially when it's so hard to maintain
  consistent communication with parents, and the behavior/late pick ups of parents that are not

- coaching. also it is really annoying to wait until the coach calls to learn what team a student is on, especially when games are at different times each week families need to be able to plan.
- Water activities which are low impact for older adults. You have only one instructor- others are volunteers. Place more emphasis on older activities and you will see the park system grow and have les apathy towards other programs. The older population is pretty apathetic to expand because they are low priority to the park system. A example is Low priority on lifeguard availability for current offerings at the indoor and outdoor pools for adult classses which are frequently cancelled and hard to reserve a spot in. There is a demonstrated need for expansion of these classes and the corresponding lifeguards. If you take care of the older population they will be more open to supporting other avenues who do you think has the money to make donations?
- Places for teens to go and get active. Workout gyms for teens, open gym concept, football goal post for practice
- A splash pad would be a huge asset to the city in the summer. The nearest is Milton isn't very close for a quick trip with small kids.
- You're doing great! Progress and improvements are noticeable
- Beautiful parks here. When you add playgrounds and other activities however, the city needs to maintain them. Otherwise, they fall apart like the Playground of Dreams.

## MAIN SITE COMMENTS FORM (OUTSIDE OF FORMAL SURVEY):

- I think it's important to have a variety of options for youth who are at the age when they can be out and about on their own without direct parental supervision. Playgrounds are often used by young children with parents, but we also need to make sure there are enough things to do for kids who don't necessarily need supervision. For example, the skate park is a great option for those who may have other interests than going to a athletic court. In my opinion, Jefferson has always lacked a "youth center" type of place for the pre-teen ages, where kids can gather after school, maybe play pool, ping pong, video games, etc.
- Facility that provides multiple sport fields such as soccer, baseball/softball, disc golf, pickle ball, basketball and tennis and seasonal splash pad options if possible. Example Brandt-quirk park
   Watertown that provides several sport fields with concession and shelter spaces.

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What projects would you support funding?

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## **Key Statistics**

Top-level information about the activity.



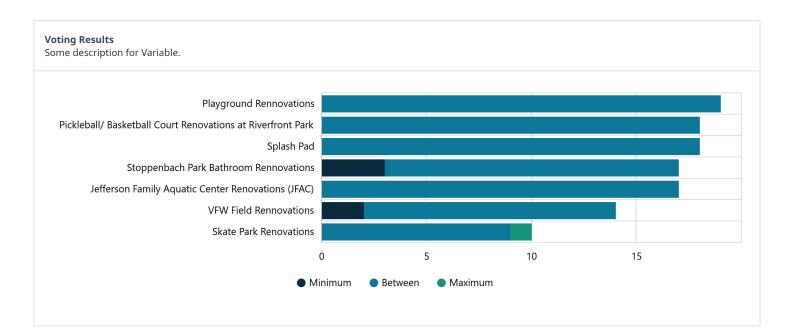




## **Contribution Summary**

Summary of the activity including details of the included projects, voting results and more.

Project Details Information on the projects included for potential funding including the name, cost, voting and other details.								
Project Name	Funded (Total)	Funded (Min)	Funded (Above Min.)	Funded (Max)				
Playground Rennovations	19 (67.86%)	0 (0%)	19 (67.86%)	0 (0%)				
Pickleball/ Basketball Court Renovations at Riverfront Park	18 (64.29%)	0 (0%)	18 (64.29%)	0 (0%)				
Splash Pad	18 (64.29%)	0 (0%)	18 (64.29%)	0 (0%)				
Stoppenbach Park Bathroom Rennovations	17 (60.71%)	3 (10.71%)	14 (50%)	0 (0%)				
Jefferson Family Aquatic Center Renovations (JFAC)	17 (60.71%)	0 (0%)	17 (60.71%)	0 (0%)				
VFW Field Rennovations	14 (50%)	2 (7.14%)	12 (42.86%)	0 (0%)				
Skate Park Renovations	10 (35.71%)	0 (0%)	9 (32.14%)	1 (3.57%)				





Votes by Project Tag	V	otes	bv	Pro	iect	Ta	α
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## **Suggested Priorities**

A prioritised list of projects based on the voting results that maximises the value of the defined budget.



## 100 points

Total budget for allocated projects



#### 92.86%

Contributions that include at least one suggested project



#### 92.86%

Contributions that include at least half (50%) of all suggested projects



39.29%

Contributions that include all (100%) of suggested projects



#### 0%

Contributions that supported one of these suggested projects at the maximum



#### 85.71%

Contributions that supported one of these suggested projects beyond the minimum



## **Playground Rennovations**

Cost: 23.16 pts

19 votes (16.81%)



## Pickleball/ Basketball Court Renovations at Riverfront Park

Cost: 18.5 pts

18 votes (15.93%)



## Splash Pad

Cost: 28.72 pts

18 votes (15.93%)



## **Stoppenbach Park Bathroom Rennovations**

Cost: 24.53 pts

17 votes (15.04%)



## Jefferson Family Aquatic Center Renovations (JFAC)

Cost: 5.09 pts

17 votes (15.04%)

