

SECTION 5.

Implementation Priorities

Following the master planning process that included participation and input from the community, staff and Parks Commission a list of priorities has been developed to assist the city in their implementation of the Master Plan.

It should be understood that this Master Plan is a long-range document. Over time priorities may change, or developments may occur that present opportunities for implementation of projects that are not identified as priorities. Therefore, the following recommendations are intended as a starting point for implementation while providing the flexibility for change if needed. It is also important that the recommendations in this Master Plan be evaluated and implemented as funding and needs dictate.

The City of Overland Parks Master Plan is intended to identify opportunities for improvements to existing parks and potential for future park development to meet the recreation needs of residents. As projects are implemented, consideration should be given to maintenance and staff expenses associated with these improvements.

The priorities listed below are based upon discussion with staff and the Parks Commission and feedback received during the planning process. These projects were identified due to the amount of feedback received, viability for implementation and recreational value to the community. The priorities listed below are not presented in any specific order:

- Initial focus should be on improvements within the existing parks and replacing existing facilities that are in disrepair or no longer meet the recreation needs of the community.
- The roof issues at the Community Center should be addressed. Necessary studies have been completed and delaying replacement of the roof will potentially lead to larger issues within the building.
- Addressing erosion and high maintenance areas within the parks should be a priority. These areas can be taxing on the existing parks maintenance resources and will only continue to deteriorate and become larger issues within the parks system.

