



**RIDGEFIELD PARKS BOARD
MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, November 12, 2025
RACC - Columbia Assembly Room
510 Pioneer Street, Ridgefield, WA 98642**

I. GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

- 1. Flag Salute**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Late changes to the agenda**

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone requesting to speak to the Board regarding all items not subject to a specific Public Hearing may come forward at this time. Please state your name and limit comments to three minutes. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the October 8, 2025, Meeting**

IV. PRESENTATION

- 1. Clark County Park Futures Task Force: Ridgefield Agency Metrics**
- 2. PROS Plan Preparation: Master Plan Inventory and Capital Facilities Plan Review**

V. BUSINESS

- 1. Permanent Park Improvement Proposal: Davis Park Monument Sign - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager**

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VII. STAFF REPORTS

VIII. FROM THE BOARD

IX. ADJOURN

**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

MEETING DATE: November 12, 2025

AGENDA ITEM NAME: Approval of Minutes from the October 8, 2025, Meeting

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

STAFF CONTACT:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 10.8.25 Parks Board Minutes



**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON
PARKS BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 8, 2025**

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

I. GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

- 1. Flag Salute**
- 2. Roll Call**

<p>Present: Chair Brigid Taylor Vice Chair Sandy Schill Board Member Beth Bicknell Board Member John Rafanelli Board Member Jessica Pace</p> <p>Absent: Board Member Elianna Galvan Board Member Alex Earl</p>
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A motion was made and passed to excuse the absence of Board Member Galvan and Board Member Earl.

<p>RESULT: ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)</p> <p>MOVER: Board Member Schill</p> <p>SECONDER: Board Member Rafanelli</p> <p>AYES: Chair Taylor, Vice Chair Schill, Board Member Bicknell, Board Member Rafanelli, Board Member Pace</p>
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III. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes from the September 10, 2025 Meeting

A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2025, Parks Board Meeting.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Board Member Schill
SECONDER:	Board Member Rafanelli
AYES:	Chair Taylor, Vice Chair Schill, Board Member Bicknell, Board Member Rafanelli, Board Member Pace

IV. PRESENTATION

1. 2020 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan Overview - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

Corey provided an overview of the 2020 PROS Plan and highlighted the achieved outcomes to set the stage for the work that will begin in 2026 for the PROS Plan update. The plan establishes community priorities, identifies system needs, and provides the foundation for capital improvements, grant eligibility, and long-term planning.

2. Partnership Spotlight — Pacific Soccer Club - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

Pacific Soccer Club (PSC) shared participation data and stories highlighting the value of its partnership with the City. As one of Ridgefield's largest your sports organizations, PSC provides organized recreation for hundreds of players each season without adding staffing or financial burden to the City. Through its volunteer-led programs, PSC offers meaningful recreation opportunities for families and strengthens community connections.

V. BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Approval - 2025 Parks Board Work Plan Q3 Report - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

The Parks Board made and passed a motion to approve the 2025 Parks Board Work Plan Q3 Report as written.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Board Member Rafanelli
SECONDER:	Board Member Schill
AYES:	Chair Taylor, Vice Chair Schill, Board Member Bicknell, Board Member Rafanelli, Board Member Pace

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VII. STAFF REPORTS

Corey shared updates on several projects occurring around the City and offered highlights for November's Parks Board Meeting.

VIII. FROM THE BOARD

IX. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Kim Strickler, Parks Board Clerk

Brigid Taylor, Chair

**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

MEETING DATE: November 12, 2025

AGENDA ITEM NAME: Clark County Park Futures Task Force: Ridgefield Agency Metrics

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The Clark County Park Futures Task Force is a countywide initiative examining current and future parks and recreation needs, conditions, and funding across all jurisdictions. Ridgefield staff have prepared a metrics-focused presentation for the Task Force that highlights the community's rapid population growth, existing inventory of parks and trails, level of service benchmarks, staffing capacity, and comparison to peer agencies.

This agenda item will provide the Parks Board with a preview of that presentation and explain Ridgefield's unique system pressures and opportunities within a regional context.

STAFF CONTACT: Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. PB2025.11.12 - Park Futures Task Force Slide Deck - 2025.10.31



Parks, Trails, & Recreation Agency Overview

City of Ridgefield

Clark County Parks Futures Task Force
Thursday, November 6, 2025



Introduction

Overview

- Overview of Ridgefield's park system and benchmarking data
- Highlights of recent achievements and system alignment
- Key initiatives shaping the next several years
- Major challenges and the pathways we're exploring
- The unique elements that define Ridgefield's approach

Today's Objective

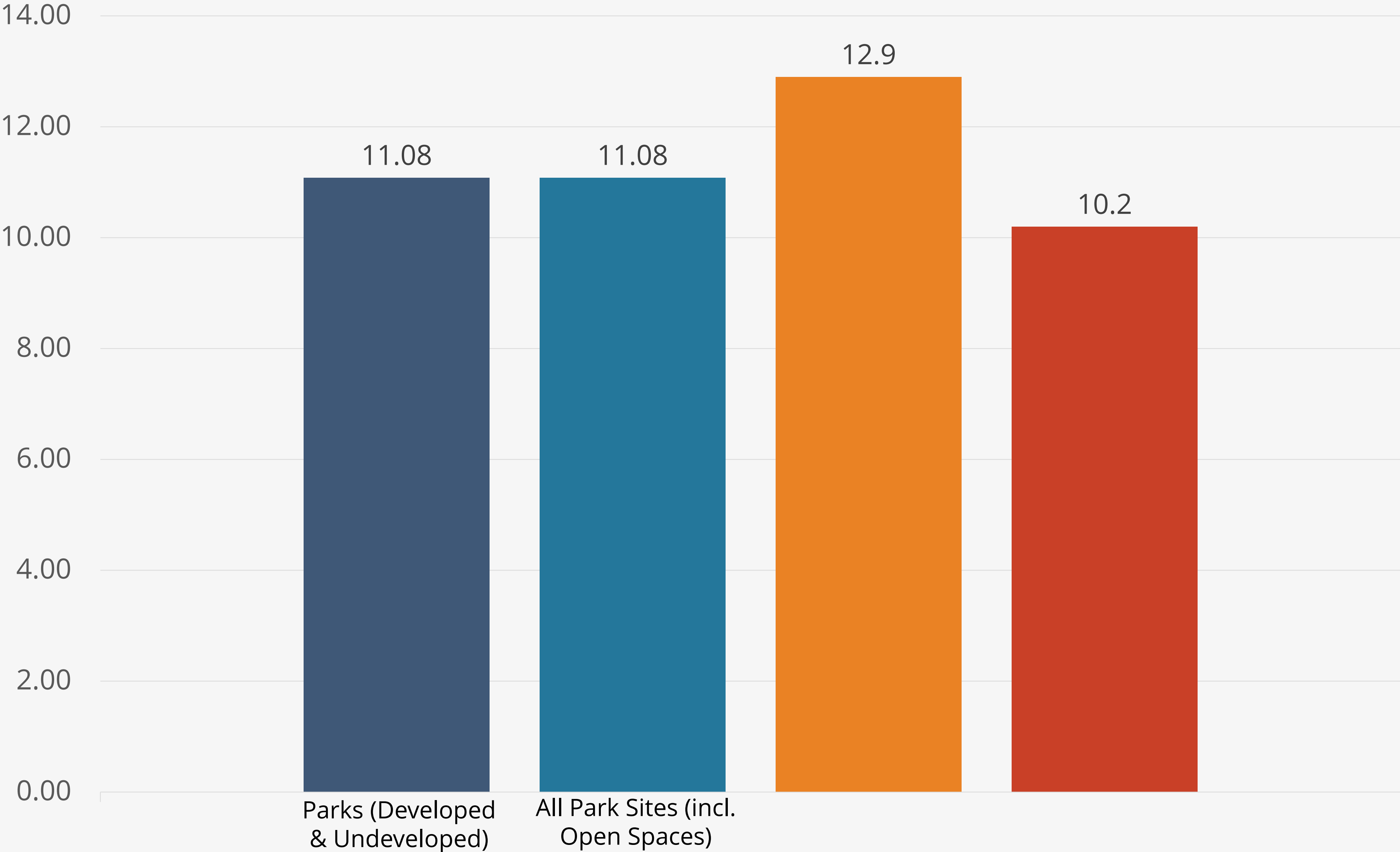
Showcase our park system's growth, priorities, challenges, and opportunities.

Park Agency Data



Metric	Data	Comments
Population	15,790	
1 – Count of Parks	25	
Acres of Parkland		
2 – Park Acreage	175	
3 – Open Space / Natural Area Acreage	N/A	Metric Not Available
4 – Miles of Trails	12	
5 – Other Key Facilities		Splash Pad, Pump Track, RORC
6 – Operating Budget for Parks	\$1,343,100	
7 – Other Operating Budget	N/A	
8 – Park-Generating Revenue	\$13,348	
9 – Capital Budget for Parks	\$2,705,500	
10 – Park Staffing (FTEs)	8.30	
11 – Other Staffing (FTEs)	N/A	
Adopted Park Standards		
12 – Acquisition		Acreage per 1,000 residents not specified
13 – Development		Community Parks – 6 per 1,000 residents; Neighborhood Parks at 1.56 acres per 1,000 residents; Greenways at 9.5 acres per 1,000 residents; 0.75 miles per 1,000 residents of developed trails.
14 – Park Impact Fee (PIF) Rates	\$4,181.42	Per Dwelling
15 – PIF Revenue	\$209,446	

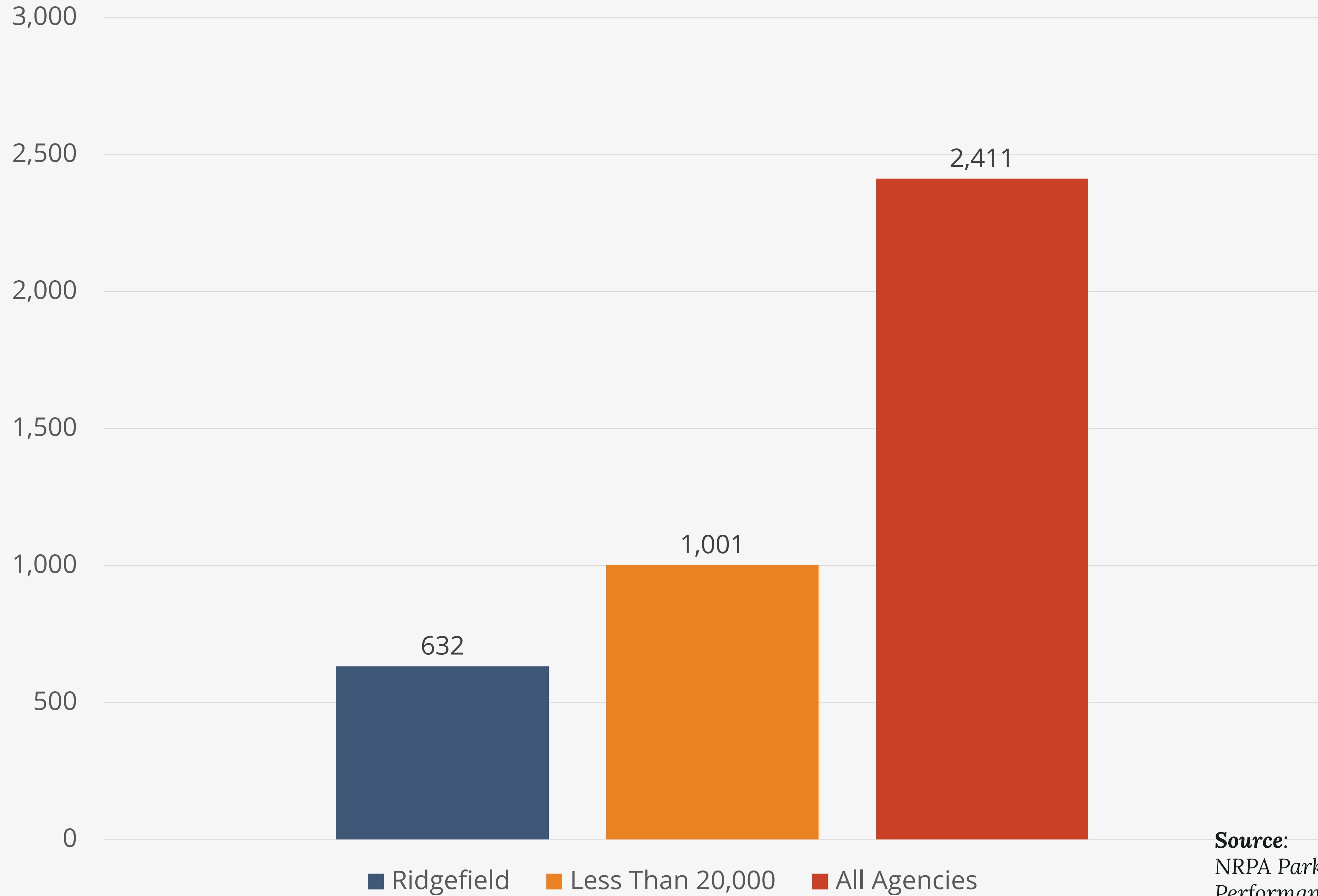
Acres of Parkland per 1,000 residents



■ Ridgefield ■ Ridgefield ■ Less Than 20,000 ■ All Agencies

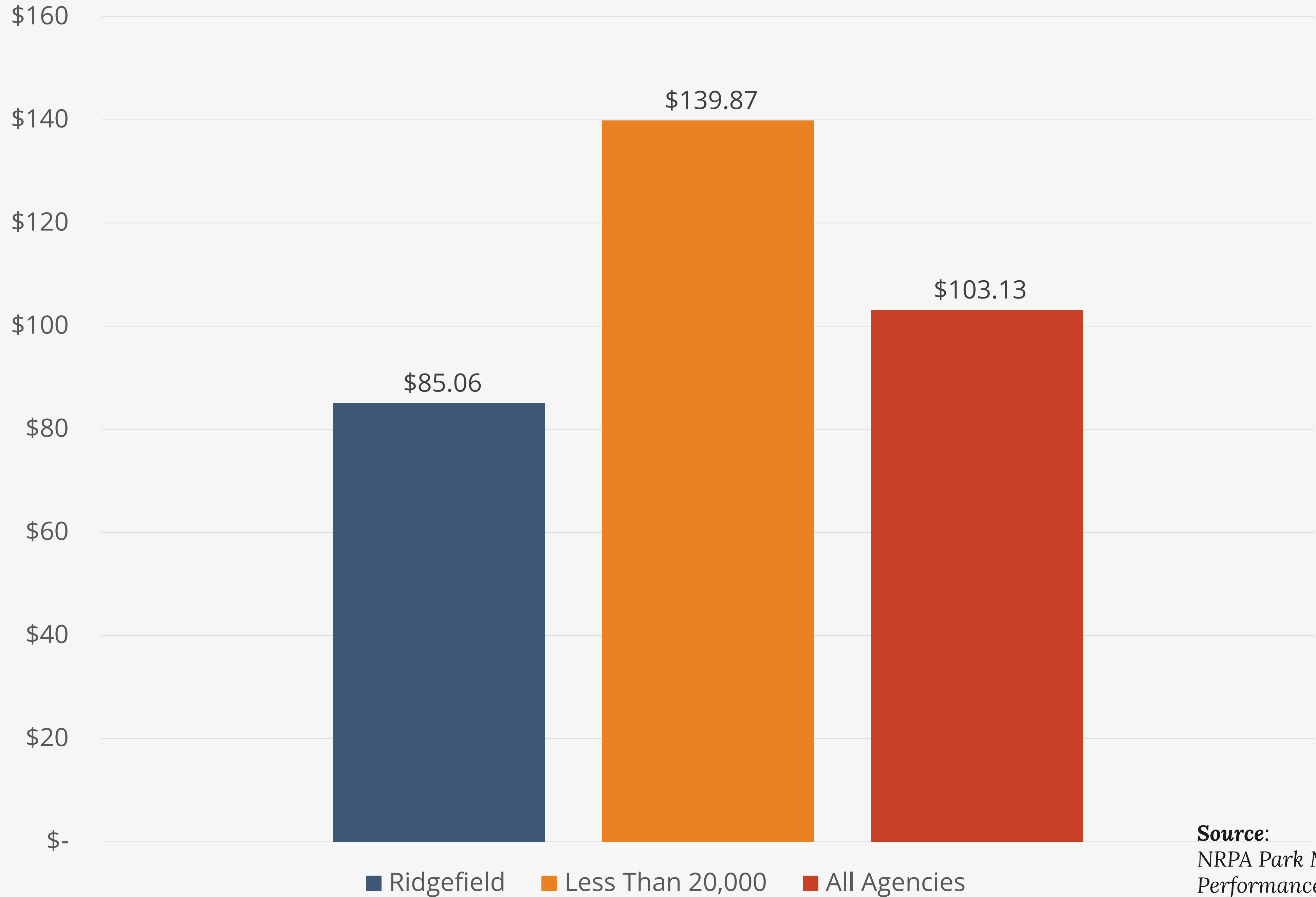
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Average Residents per Park



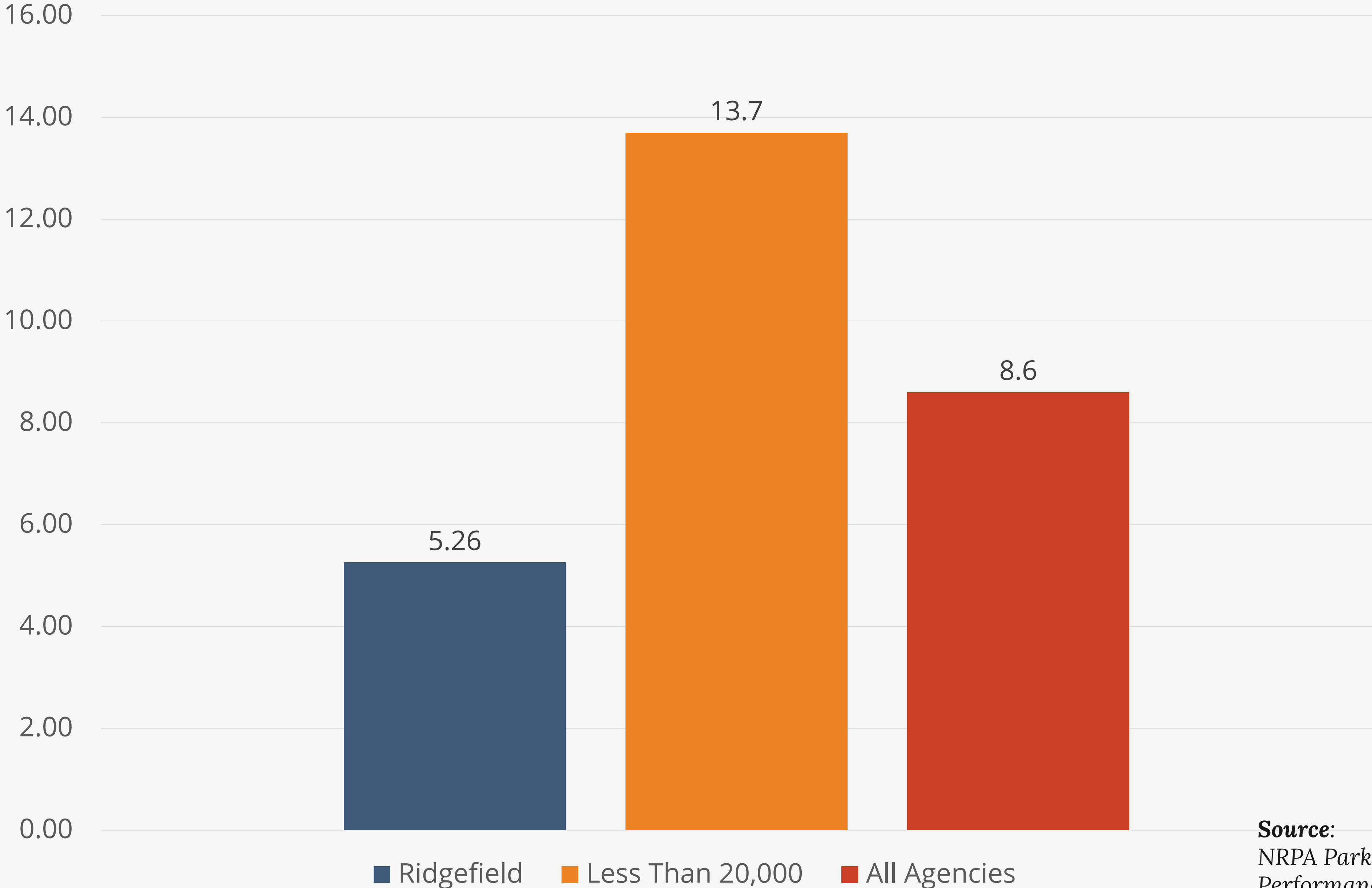
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Operating Expenditures per Capita



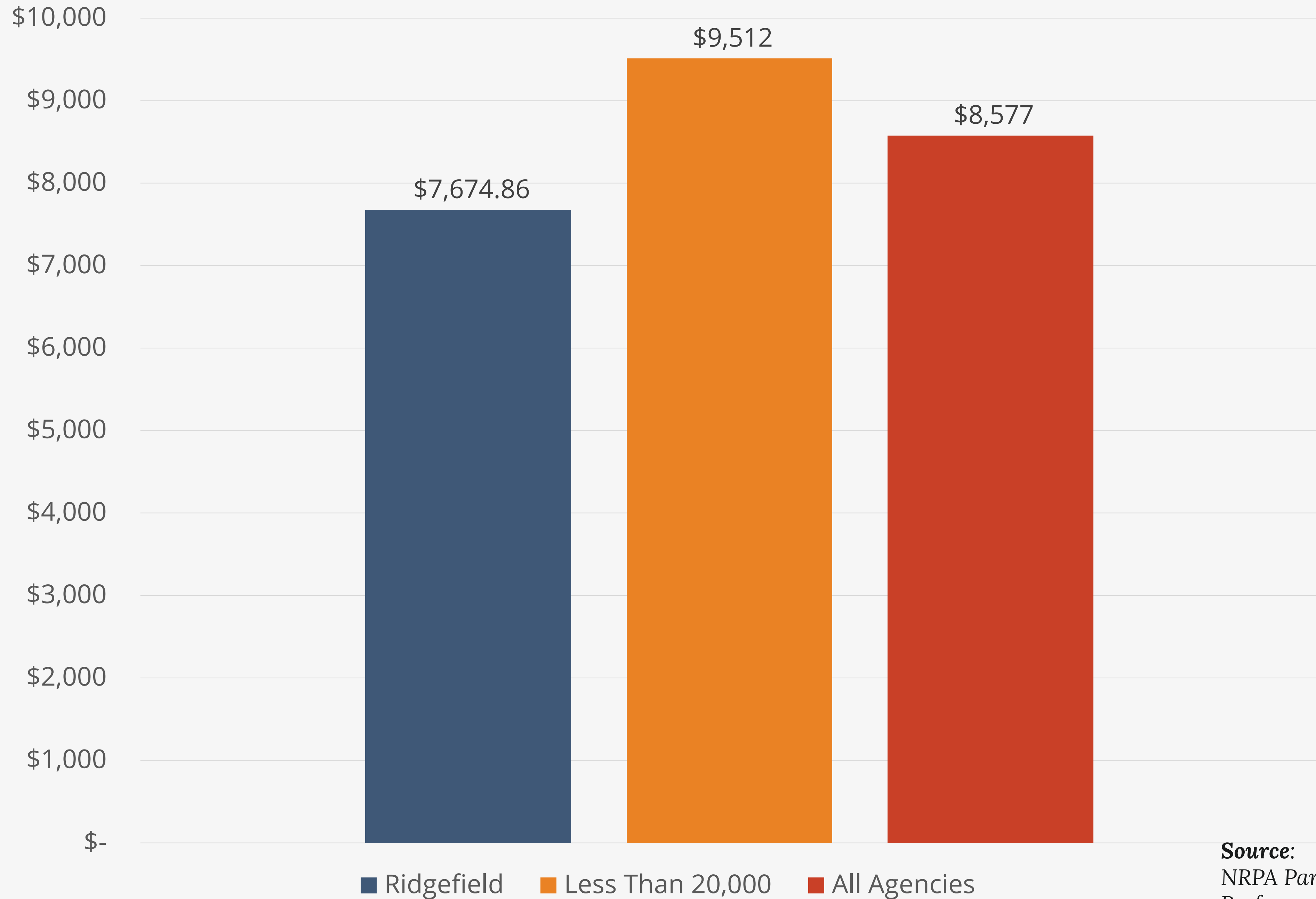
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FTE per 10,000 residents



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Operating Expenditures per Acre



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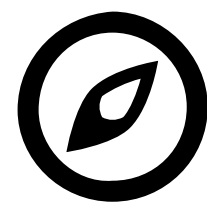
System Highlights



Engineering Standards



Developer Engagement



Strategic Alignment

Engineering Standards Volume III

Parks, Trails, and Recreation Design and Construction Requirements

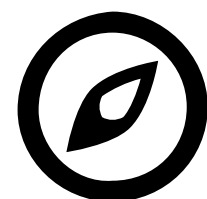
- Adopted in May 2025
- Aligns with WSDOT Multi-Use Path Standards – enabling eligibility for transportation funding opportunities
- Integrates U.S. Forest Service Trail Design Parameters – supporting a full range of recreational trail types
- Ensure safety, brand identity, and resilience of all park and trail amenities – reducing preventative and deferred maintenance costs
- Applies equally to City- and developer-built facilities



Engineering Standards



Developer Engagement



Strategic Alignment

Developer Engagement

Planning for Sustainable and Integrated Growth

- **RMC 18.401** requires PUDs to adhere to various Parks, Trails, and Open Space Requirements.
- **Aligned Development Code** to create sustainable, resilient, and connected public spaces.
- **Early Coordination** ensures parks and trails integrate naturally into new neighborhoods.
- Enabled the creation numerous new facilities:
 - Storybook Hollow Park – 18.2 acres
 - Trail Connections specified in PROS Plan
 - Pocket Parks and Neighborhood Trail Connections



Engineering
Standards



Developer
Engagement



Strategic Alignment

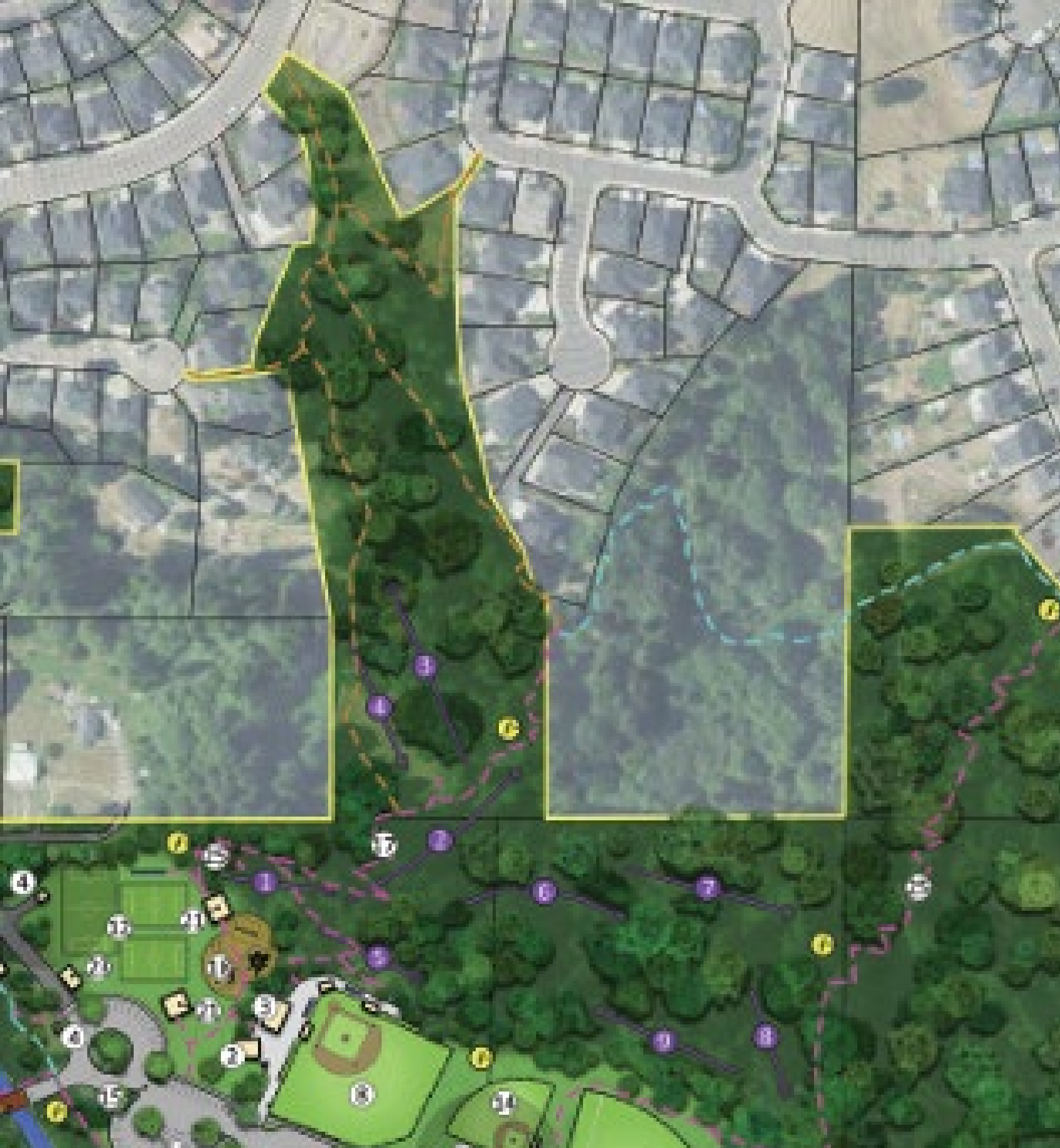
Interdepartmental Integration

Parks and Recreation is a Citywide Effort

- Parks planning is **embedded** in Public Works, Community Development, and Administrative workflows.
- **Council priorities** – livability, connection, sustainability – drive project selection and sequencing.
- **Shared review processes** ensure consistency in design, permitting, and communications.
- **Cross-department collaboration** improves efficiency and reduces duplication.
- **Parks act as the link** between infrastructure, policy, and public experience.

Key Initiatives (2026-2030)





+ 2026 PROS Plan Update & Trail Connectivity Planning

Comprehensive rewrite that includes a Trail Connectivity Strategy, system equity assessment, and sustainable funding recommendations.

+ Parks Revenue Exploration & Sustainable Funding Solutions

Development of sponsorship, naming *Weekend Celebrations* rights, and donation opportunities to diversify funding and increase community participation.

+ Ridgefield Community & Recreation Center

Advancing concept design, partnership discussions, and governance model for a multi-generational regional facility.



Pressures & Constraints

Sustainable Funding

Sustainable Funding

Building a System That Lasts

- Operations require **consistent, recurring funding** to maintain safety and quality.
- Capital investments rely on **diverse funding** sources – grants, partnerships, and contributions.
- Focus on balance: maintain existing assets while planning responsible growth.
- Goal: **Long-term financial resilience** for Ridgefield's parks system.



Rapid Growth



Rapid Growth

Keeping Pace with A Growing Community

- Ridgefield's rapid growth is both an **opportunity and a challenge**.
- New development **increases demand** for parks, trails, and staffing capacity.
- Limited, flat buildable land complicates park site acquisition.
- Growth **requires early planning, coordination,** and disciplined investment.
- Goal: **expand access** without compromising quality

Sustainable Funding



Rapid Growth



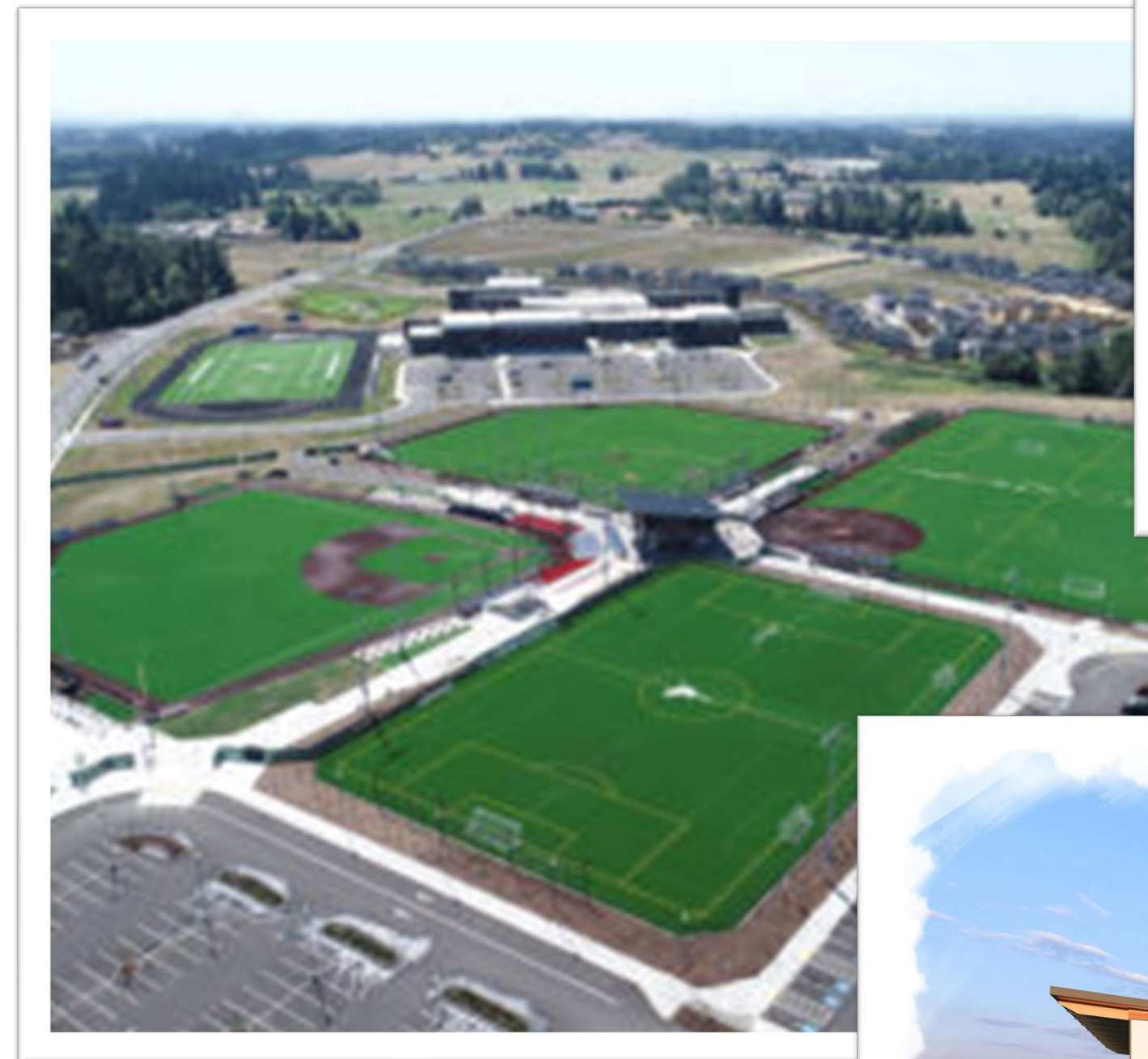
Unique Elements



Signature Facilities

Defining the Ridgefield Experience

- **Ridgefield Outdoor Recreation Complex (RORC)** – A regional asset blending sports, recreation, and community gatherings.
- **Overlook Park Splash Pad** – A downtown anchor designed for accessibility, water efficiency, and family connection.
- **Boyse Park Pump Track** – Expands active recreation and outdoor skill-building for all ages.
- **Storybook Hollow Park** – Demonstrates theme and placemaking to create a sense of story and space.
- **Ridgefield Community & Recreation Center** (in development) – Future hub for wellness, learning, and gathering.





Connected by Design

Designing an Integrated System with Purpose

- **Intentional Connectivity** – Building a continuous network linking people, places, and nature.
- **Cohesive Character** – Consistent design creates familiarity and identity.
- **Integrated Systems** – Recreation, ecology, and infrastructure working together.
- **Continuous Improvement** – Each project strengthens connections and standards.
- **Long-View Planning** – Today's choices support tomorrow's system.

Q&A





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Thank You

The City of Ridgefield, Washington

**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

MEETING DATE: November 12, 2025

AGENDA ITEM NAME: PROS Plan Preparation: Master Plan Inventory and Capital Facilities Plan Review

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Staff are beginning preliminary work to support the upcoming 2026 Parks, Recreation, & Open Space (PROS) Plan update. A major early step involves cataloging and reviewing existing park master plans and aligning current and proposed capital projects within the City’s Capital Facilities Plan (CFP).

This presentation will provide the Parks Board with an overview of the existing master plan inventory, summarize the status of planned improvements, and review how current and future CFP projects may be integrated into the PROS planning framework. This work will help establish baseline system conditions, identify gaps and priorities, and prepare the Board for deeper involvement throughout the PROS planning process.

STAFF CONTACT: Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. ADOPTED - Ridgefield Parks Trails Recreation CFP - 2025.05.22



City of Ridgefield Comprehensive Plan Update Parks Facilities Plan

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Adopted May 22, 2025

Project No. 021356.000

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Introduction

The City of Ridgefield (City) resides within Clark County, Washington, and is one of the fastest-growing cities in Washington. The City's population will increase to over 26,000 people in the next two decades. The City is updating its 20-year, long-range Comprehensive Plan (Plan) to manage this growth and to develop strategies for balancing economic opportunity and employment, diverse housing types, quality of life for its residents, and the protection of natural resources. The Parks Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) is a component of the Plan and will serve as a roadmap for expansion and investment in the City's parks, trails, and open space network to meet the needs of future residents.

Parks Comprehensive Planning History

The City prepared a separate Parks, Recreation & Open Space (PROS) Plan in March 2020 to serve as a six-year guide and Plan for enhancing parks and recreation services within the City. The 2020 PROS plan served as:

“As a six-year guide and strategic Plan for enhancing park and recreation services, the Plan establishes a path forward for providing high-quality, community-driven parks, trails, natural areas, and recreational opportunities across Ridgefield. The Plan provides a vision for the City's park and recreation system, proposes updates to City service standards, and addresses departmental goals, objectives, and other management considerations toward the continuation of quality recreation opportunities, programs, and facility enhancements to benefit the residents of Ridgefield. The City developed the PROS Plan with the input of Ridgefield residents through public events and a community survey and was guided by the direction of the Parks Board. The Plan inventories and evaluates existing park and recreation areas, assesses the needs for acquisition, site development, and operations, and offers specific policies and recommendations to achieve the community's goals”
(City of Ridgefield Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan, March 2020)

The 2020 PROS plan was prepared with extensive input from recreation service providers, land managers, staff, stakeholders, and residents. It was an update of the 2014 plan and a requirement for the City to be eligible for state recreation and conservation grants in Washington.

Planning Purpose

The CFP planning process builds upon the City's existing 2020 PROS plan and will focus on updating the facility inventory and capital project list. This planning effort is limited to tasks meeting the Plan's requirements. It is recommended that the City initiate a separate PROS update in 2026 to formally update park facilities and maintain the City's grant funding eligibility. See the next steps detailed in Section 3 for additional recommended actions.

Inventory

Overview

The City's park system has grown significantly over the last five years. In addition to new park and trail facilities the City has developed, several new facilities have been constructed as part of residential developments. These parks and trail facilities were privately built with the development of subdivisions and are typically maintained by a Home Owner Association (HOA). These HOA facilities consist primarily of neighborhood parks and walking paths. Though privately owned, they are open to the public and contribute to the City's overall open space network.

In addition to HOA facilities, other recreational providers offer parks, trails, and open space amenities within the City. These providers include the Port of Ridgefield, Clark County, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The updated park inventory is listed below.

Park Facility Classifications and Inventory

The 2020 PROS plan defined five primary park facility types or classifications. Each park classification varies in size, provides unique recreation amenities, and caters to differentiated user types. The park classifications included in the CFP include the following:

Table 2-1 Park Classifications

Park Classification	Approximate Size	Primary Function/Amenities
Community Parks	15 - 50 acres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Active recreation ▪ Organized team sports and facilities ▪ Passive recreation ▪ Community events/gatherings ▪ Natural areas ▪ Trails ▪ Picnic areas ▪ Parking ▪ Restrooms
Neighborhood Parks	2 - 4 acres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Active recreation ▪ Passive recreation ▪ Playgrounds ▪ Sport courts ▪ Picnic areas ▪ Pathways
Pocket Parks	0.25 – 1 acre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Playgrounds ▪ Seating
Special Use Facilities	varies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dedicated recreation or user group ▪ Community Centers ▪ Within a park or standalone facility
Other Facilities	varies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Schools ▪ Greenways ▪ Wildlife Refuges ▪ Cemeteries

In the development of the CFP, the park facility inventory list was updated to include both the parks identified in the 2020 PROS plan and newly developed facilities since the Plan was published. The updated inventory, including park classifications and acreage, is listed below.

Table 2-2 Parks Inventory

Park Name	Classification	Acreage
Abrams Park	Community	44.20
Boyse Park	Community	5.28
Greeley Farms	Community	2.12
Horns Corner Community Park	Community	8.07
Refuge Community Park	Community	20.64
Paradise Pointe Park	Community	16.60
Ridgefield Outdoor Recreation Complex	Community	35.00
Ridgefield Waterfront Park	Community	8.00
Overlook Park	Community	1.16
Canterbury Trails (undeveloped)	Neighborhood	1.00
Davis Park	Neighborhood	0.48
Hayden Park	Neighborhood	1.72
41st Place Park	Neighborhood	0.09
Allen's Creek Park	Neighborhood	0.29
Rose Homestead Park	Neighborhood	1.09
Green Gables Playground Park	Neighborhood	0.13
DeMelo Park	Neighborhood	3.84
Sevier Park	Neighborhood	0.18
Canyon Ridge #1 Park	Pocket Park	0.18
Canyon Ridge #2 Park	Pocket Park	0.31
Cedar Creek Park	Pocket Park	0.21
Cedar Ridge Park	Pocket Park	0.20
Columbia Hills Open Space	Pocket Park	0.56

Park Name	Classification	Acreage
Columbia Hills Park	Pocket Park	0.35
Coyote Crest Park	Pocket Park	0.29
Crow's Nest Park	Pocket Park	0.50
Eagle's View Park	Pocket Park	0.23
Goldfinch Park	Pocket Park	0.13
Lark Park	Pocket Park	0.61
Marsh Park	Pocket Park	0.24
Osprey Pointe Park	Pocket Park	0.70
Pioneer Medium Park	Pocket Park	0.59
Ridgefield Woods Park	Pocket Park	0.24
Teal Park	Pocket Park	0.79
Sevier 2 Park	Pocket Park	0.31
Community Park	Special Facility	0.37
Ridgefield Skate Park	Special Facility	0.11
Ridgefield Dog Park	Special Facility	2.00
Motorized Boat Launch	Special Facility	0.90
Kayak Launch	Special Facility	0.25
Pioneer Picnic Park	Special Facility	0.09
Total Park Acreage		160.1

Table 2-3 Other Park and Open Space Resources

Facility Name	Classification	Acreage
Ridgefield Cemetery	Cemetery	9.80
Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge	Wildlife Refuge	4150
Flume Creek Conservation Area	Greenway	150.33
Ridgefield School District - High School	School	60.00
Ridgefield School District - View Ridge Middle School	School	20.00
Ridgefield School District - Union Ridge Elementary School	School	18.50
Total Other Park and Open Space Resources Acreage		4408.6

Trail Facility Classifications and Inventory

In addition to park classifications, the CFP inventory includes a summary of trails and pathways. The trail classifications are based on the 2020 PROS plan, which includes water trails added to the inventory. The trail classifications include the following:

Table 2-4 Trail Classifications

Classification	Trail Width	Primary Function/Amenities
Multi-use	10 – 12 feet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Separated from right-of-way ▪ Two-way, paved surfacing ▪ Bikes, walkers, and other wheeled modes ▪ Soft-surface shoulders ▪ Trailheads and parking
Single-use	3 – 10 feet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Local paths within a subdivision ▪ Activity-specific trails (e.g., bikes) ▪ Paved or soft-surface ▪ Includes pathways within parks
Water	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional paddling routes on local waterways ▪ Includes launch and dock facilities

The trail facility inventory list has been updated with the development of the CFP. The updated inventory includes the trails identified in the 2020 PROS plan and newly developed trail facilities since the Plan was published. The updated inventory, including trail classifications and Length, is listed below:

Table 2-5 Trails Inventory

Trail Name	Classification	Length (feet)
50th Place Trail	Single-use	1,815
8th Court Circle Trail	Single-use	497
Abrams Park Trails-Disc Golf Coarse Trail	Multi-use	1,426
Abrams Park Trails-Heron Dr. to Pioneer St.	Multi-use	4,711
Abrams Park Trails-Hillhurst/Gee Creek Trail	Multi-use	2,640
Abrams Park Trails-Mayors Meadow Trail 1	Multi-use	1,161
Canterbury Trail	Single-use	1,149
Cedar Ridge Trail	Single-use	1,160
Clover Hill #5 Trail	Single-use	2,090
Hawks Landing Trail	Single-use	1,424
Heron Trail	Single-use	4,711
Hillhurst Highland Trail	Single-use	1,058
N. Falcon Trail	Single-use	180
Osprey Point Trail	Single-use	1,571
Pioneer Canyon Trails-N. 3rd Circle Trail	Multi-use	2,210
Pioneer Canyon Trails-N. Kyle Place Trail	Multi-use	611
Pioneer Canyon Trails-Pioneer Medium Trail	Multi-use	1,439
Pioneer Canyon Trails-Pioneer Picnic Trail	Multi-use	500
Reiman Trail	Single-use	906

Ridgefield Woods Trail	Single-use	916
Sevier 1 Trail	Single-use	876
Sevier 2 Trail	Single-use	1,187
Symthe Trail	Single-use	512
Teal Crest Trail	Single-use	300
Total Length (feet)		35,050
Total Length (miles)		6.6

In addition to land trails, the CFP has noted the water trail that is accessible within the City. The Lewis River-Vancouver Lake Water Trail includes 32 miles of water access between Vancouver Lake and Lewis River. Approximately 2.4 miles of the water trail extends through the City, following Lake River along Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge and Ridgefield Waterfront Park. The City's waterfront park serves as an access point and launch site for the water trail.

Capital Facility Plan

The pace of anticipated growth in the City over the next two decades will require new investments in park and trail facilities. The CFP, in this section, identifies the necessary system investments to ensure that the City has sufficient lands and developed parks and trail facilities to accommodate community growth. The parks CFP below summarizes the anticipated needed investments in capital projects over the next six years, including:

- Costs to acquire new parklands.
- Costs to develop new park and trail facilities.
- Costs to repair existing assets.
- Capital costs associated with additional staff needed to plan, operate, and maintain new and existing parks.

Recommendations

The CFP below is based on the following recommendations provided during the development of the Plan:

- Continue the development of a regional trail system through the Gee Creek Greenway.
- Require the construction of new trails or the dedication of trail easements within residential and commercial developments. Focus on trail projects that expand connectivity across the City and maximize accessibility.
- In partnership with the Port, develop a waterfront park and trail that maximizes recreation opportunities along Lake River. Enhance connections to the Lewis River-Vancouver Lake Water Trail and the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge.
- Acquire park sites in priority areas to ensure equitable access to parks and recreation facilities throughout the City. In particular, the City should focus on land acquisition in the urban growth expansion area east of I-5 and new parklands in the Carty Road subarea.
- Incorporate trail connectivity improvement needs into transportation and utility system planning efforts. Important connectivity enhancement opportunities include replacing the Abrams Park vehicular bridge, which serves both park users and the City's drinking water wells, and the 10th Street I-5 overpass, which will link the City's east and west sides. Partner with private development to build new parks, tot lots, and pathways within urbanizing areas to ensure convenient, safe, and accessible access to open space for the City's newest residents.
- Partner with the county, school district, and non-profits to plan and develop park and recreational facilities that provide a high quality of life and access to outdoor areas.
- Maintain access to high-quality sports fields and take advantage of the economic benefits of youth league sports at city and school recreational facilities.
- Partner with the school district and non-profit organizations to expand recreational and community education programs. The City should also initiate a study to determine the types of recreational programs desired within the community, how much participants are willing to pay for these services, and the best method for expanding programs within the community (i.e., city-provided programs, partnerships with nonprofits or school district, etc.). Potential recreation programs include youth and adult sports leagues, enrichment classes, after-school programs, and summer activities.
- Develop design standards for park development, including facility types, typical amenities, and material and construction standards.
- Unify park signage and create a cohesive branded park system that represents the City.

6-Year Parks Capital Facility Plan

The CFP table below lists the priority projects and the anticipated costs for these improvements. The CFP will serve as the guide for future City annual budget requests. Most of the improvements listed below are projects and improvement costs identified in the 2020 PROS plan that have been carried forward to this CFP. The Major Maintenance program estimates annual expenses needed to maintain major park assets across the system and is anticipated to address the repair and replacement of aging facilities.

Table 3-1 CPF Priority Projects

Project Name	Type	Classification	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	TOTAL
2026-2032 Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces (PROS) Plan	Planning	Planning Document		\$100,000					\$100,000
Trail System Assessment & Connectivity Plan	Planning	Planning Document			\$100,000				\$100,000
Parks Revenue Program	Planning	Revenue Study	\$50,000						\$50,000
Carty Road Neighborhood Park 1 (Target Area I)	Acquire	Neighborhood Park					\$400,000		\$400,000
Carty Road Community Park 2 (Target Area J)	Acquire	Community Park						\$600,000	\$600,000
East Side Community Park (Target Area C)	Acquire	Community Park			\$600,000				\$600,000
Upper Gee Creek Neighborhood Park (Target Area K)	Acquire	Neighborhood Park				\$400,000			\$400,000
Greely Farms Parkland (Target Area I)	Acquire	Community Park	\$375,000						\$375,000
Ridgefield Community Center*	Development	Community Center	\$1,500,000						\$1,500,000
<i>Design & Engineering</i>			\$1,500,000						\$1,500,000
<i>Construction</i>									\$0
Abrams Park Redevelopment*	Development	Park Renovation			\$240,000	\$960,000			\$1,200,000
<i>Phase 1 Design & Engineering</i>					\$240,000				\$240,000
<i>Phase 1 Construction</i>						\$960,000			\$960,000
Boyse Park*	Development	Community Park	\$245,000			\$170,000	\$670,000		\$1,085,000
<i>Phase 1 Design/Build</i>			\$245,000						\$245,000
<i>Phase 2 Design & Engineering</i>						\$170,000			\$170,000
<i>Phase 2 Construction</i>							\$670,000		\$670,000
Paradise Pointe Park*	Development	Community Park	PIF Credits				\$428,400	\$1,713,600	\$2,142,000
<i>Phase 1 Design/Build</i>			PIF Credits						\$0
<i>Phase 2 Design & Engineering</i>							\$428,400		\$428,400
<i>Phase 2 Construction</i>								\$1,713,600	\$1,713,600

Table 3-1 CPF Priority Projects (continued)

Project Name	Type	Classification	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	TOTAL
Horns Corner Park*	Development	Community Park		\$400,000	\$1,600,000				\$2,000,000
<i>Design & Engineering</i>				\$400,000					\$400,000
<i>Construction</i>					\$1,600,000				\$1,600,000
Refuge Park (Dog Park)*	Development	Community Park				\$150,000	\$600,000		\$750,000
<i>Phase 2 Design & Engineering</i>						\$150,000			\$150,000
<i>Phase 2 Construction</i>							\$600,000		\$600,000
Gee Creek Trail - North Segment*	Development	Arterial Trail	\$220,000		\$1,010,000				\$1,230,000
<i>Design & Engineering</i>			\$220,000						\$220,000
<i>Construction</i>					\$1,010,000				\$1,010,000
Waterfront Park (Partnership Project)*	Development	Community Park							\$0
<i>Design & Engineering</i>									\$0
<i>Construction</i>									\$0
Abrams Park Improvement – Caretake House Demolition	Major Maint.	Stewardship	\$60,000						\$60,000
RORC Improvement – Field House Design/Build	Major Maint.	Stewardship	\$220,000						\$220,000
Playground Replacement – Onslow Nature Playground	Major Maint.	Stewardship	\$25,000						\$25,000
Park Preservation Program	Major Maint.	Stewardship		\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$750,000
Park Preservation Program – RORC Specific	Major Maint.	Stewardship		\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$500,000
		TOTAL	\$2,695,000	\$750,000	\$3,800,000	\$1,930,000	\$2,348,400	\$2,563,600	\$14,087,000

Table 3-1 CPF Priority Projects (continued)

***Notes**

Development Estimate Assumes 20% for Design/Engineering

Ridgefield Community Center - Construction Costs to be considered with Partnership Developments

Abrams Park Redevelopment - Estimate Based on Master Plan and 2024 RCO Application

Boyse Park - Estimate Based on Master Plan and 2024 RCO Application

Paradise Pointe Park - Estimate Based on Master Plan

Horns Corner Park - Estimate Based on Previous Parks CFP

Refuge Park (Dog Park) - Estimate Based on Previous Parks CFP

Gee Greek Trail North Segment - Estimate Based on Approved FLAP Grant Funding

Waterfront Park - Costs to be considered with Partnership Development

Implementation

Funding for the proposed parks system will require the CFP to be implemented through a combination of City-funded improvements, privately developed facilities, and partnership projects. The current funding strategies for park and trail improvements include a range of funding mechanisms, including:

- General Funds are dedicated from the City's annual budget for developing or rehabilitating park facilities or equipment. General fund projects may include partnership projects, Public Works (e.g., trail development within the right of way), and the acquisition of multipurpose sites (e.g., regional stormwater facilities that may include walking paths).
- Park Impact Fees are collected on new developments within the City to fund the construction of new parks and trail facilities to meet the demand of new residents. In lieu of collecting impact fees, the City may elect to defer fees in exchange for developer or HOA-constructed and maintained facilities.
- Metropolitan Park Districts, authorized under Chapter 35.61 of the Revised Code of Washington, may be created to fund the planning, development, maintenance, and management of parks and recreation facilities. The City should study the viability of creating a park district to fund the development and operation of its park system.
- Partnerships with the Ridgefield School District, Port of Ridgefield, Clark County, and other non-profit organizations that allow for the development or operations of public recreation and open space projects. Partnerships include work performed by civic organizations, schools, and other volunteer groups.
- Grants are available from the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office, Federal Highway Administration, and other dedicated grant sources for the development or enhancement of park and trail projects. Grant projects often require a local match, which may include City park impact and general funds.
- Other funding sources include voter and council-approved bonds.

Implementation Principles

During the review of draft plan documents, the Ridgefield City Council requested that the plan include principles to guide the implementation of the CFP. The principles below outline a holistic approach to planning and developing the City's parks, trail, and open space system. The implementation principles include the following:

- **Remain Flexible and Opportunistic:** The CFP should acknowledge the City's desire to remain nimble. When unique or time-sensitive opportunities arise—such as property acquisitions, funding options, or partnerships—the City should be empowered to pursue them, even if they fall outside the original scope of the plan.
- **Use a "Conveyor Belt" Project Pipeline:** The CFP projects should move through an intentional annual sequence of master planning, design, and construction. This approach creates a steady flow of projects and positions the City to complete at least one major capital project per year while keeping the pipeline full.
- **Deliver and Celebrate Annually:** To maintain public confidence and momentum, the City aims to complete at least one significant park or trail project each year. These should be marked with ribbon cuttings or similar events to publicly celebrate progress and reinforce the City's commitment to parks and recreation.
- **Avoid Piecemeal or Phased Park Builds:** Where financially feasible, the City should construct parks in full rather than in partial or phased developments. Complete builds ensure that each park fully delivers on its intended design and purpose and benefits the community from the outset.

- **Promote Equitable Access Across the City:** The upcoming PROS Plan should assess park and trail access across Ridgefield to identify underserved areas. This data should inform investment priorities to ensure all residents have equitable access to quality outdoor recreation.
- **Advance Two New Community Parks:** The CFP should specifically identify and prioritize acquiring and developing two new community parks: one in the Carty Road Subarea and one on the East Side of the I-5 Freeway. These parks are critical to supporting the City's growth and meeting long-term recreation needs.

PROS Plan Update

Following the adoption of the CFP, the City should initiate an update to the 2020 PROS plan starting in late 2025. The PROS plan update will take approximately 12 months to complete, including public engagement and council adoption. The planning process should include the following elements:

- Update the PROS plan goals and objectives with a focus on universal accessibility, connectivity between trails and parks, and equitable distribution of park and trail facilities throughout the City.
- Conduct park-focused public and stakeholder engagement to refine community needs and desires.
- Evaluate current and future recreation trends.
- Based on community input, update the park inventory and classification system.
- Confirm the level of service and assess the needs of the City's park system based on community input.
- Develop a detailed capital plan with planning, design, and construction cost estimates.
- Prepare an implementation plan identifying strategies and funding options for building the park system.

Trail Connectivity Plan

In addition to updating the PROS plan, the City should develop a standalone Trail Connectivity & System Plan to identify missing links in the trail network and guide long-term planning for a fully connected trail system. The trail plan should focus on enhanced connectivity between downtown Ridgefield, the areas around Pioneer Street, and west of the 35th Avenue roundabout.

**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

MEETING DATE: November 12, 2025

AGENDA ITEM NAME: Permanent Park Improvement Proposal: Davis Park Monument Sign

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

A proposal has been submitted to install a permanent monument sign at Davis Park. Under RMC 8.18.060, permanent and durable improvements to park property must be reviewed by the Parks Board for consistency with adopted plans and policies, followed by a recommendation to City Council for final decision.

Staff will present the proposed improvement, including site location, intent, general design direction, and expected maintenance or operational impacts. The Parks Board is being asked to evaluate whether the proposal supports the park’s character and planned use and to forward a formal recommendation to City Council—either for approval, approval with conditions, or denial.

STAFF CONTACT: Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. PB2025.11.12 - PIP Davis Park Monument Sign - 2025.11.05



Davis Park Monument Sign

Permanent Improvement Proposal

Parks Board of Commissioners | Public Meeting
Wednesday, November 12, 2025



Introduction

Overview

- Review of RMC 8.18 – Parks and Trails Rules and Regulations
- Presentation of Sign Mockups
- Discussion and Potential Consideration

Tonight's Objective

Seeking Feedback or Recommendation
from Parks Board on Sign Replacement



RMC 8.18

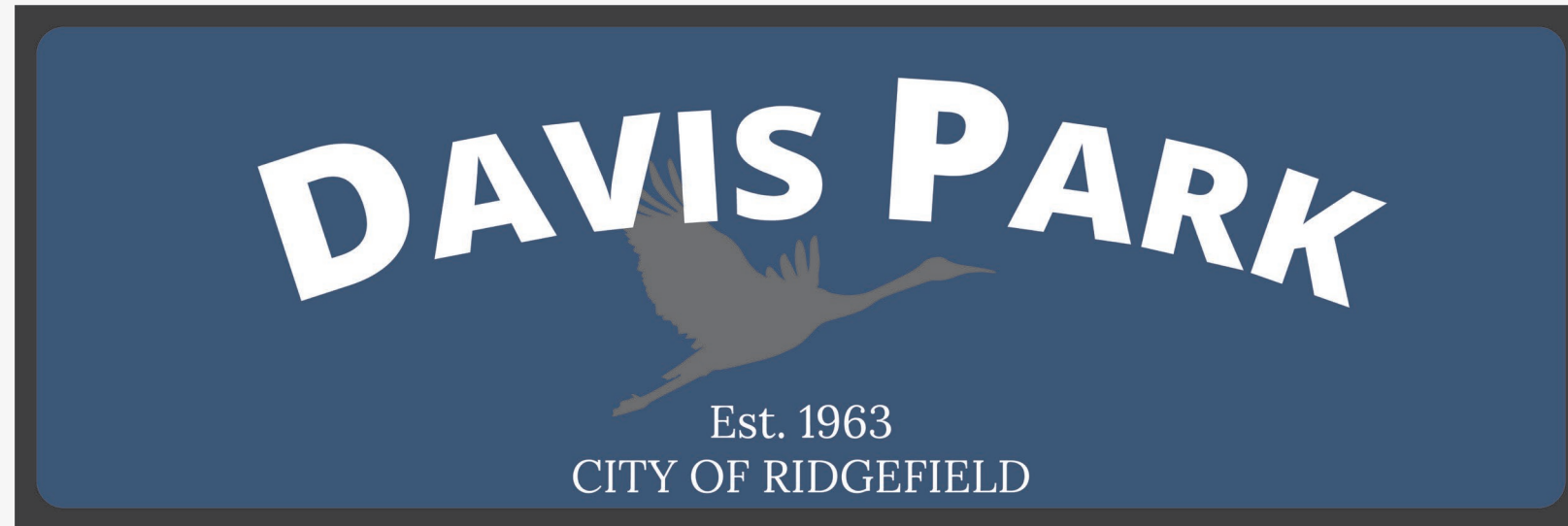
Park and Trail Rules and Regulations

RMC 8.18.060 Permanent Improvements Process

- Applies to permanent additions (e.g., benches, trees, lighting, signs, structures)
- **Step 1 – Parks Board Review**
 - Confirm alignment with adopted master plans & policies
- **Step 2 – Recommendation to City Council**
- **Step 3 – City Council Consideration for Approval**
 - Council holds final decision-making authority.

Park Sign Replacement

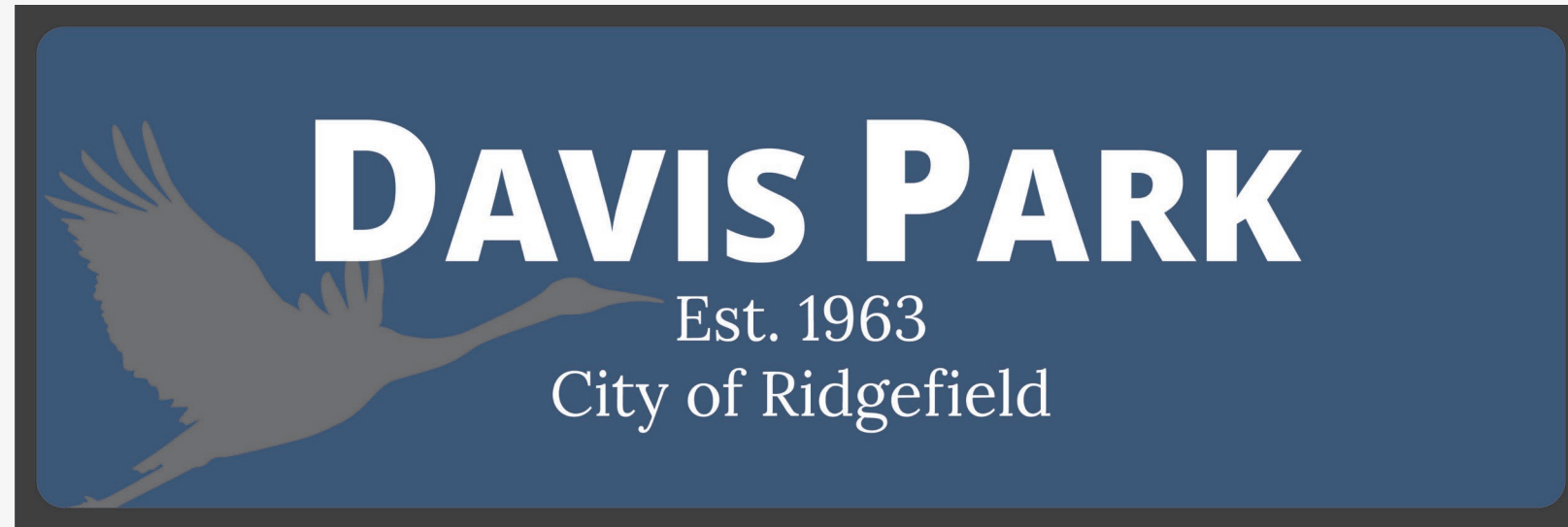
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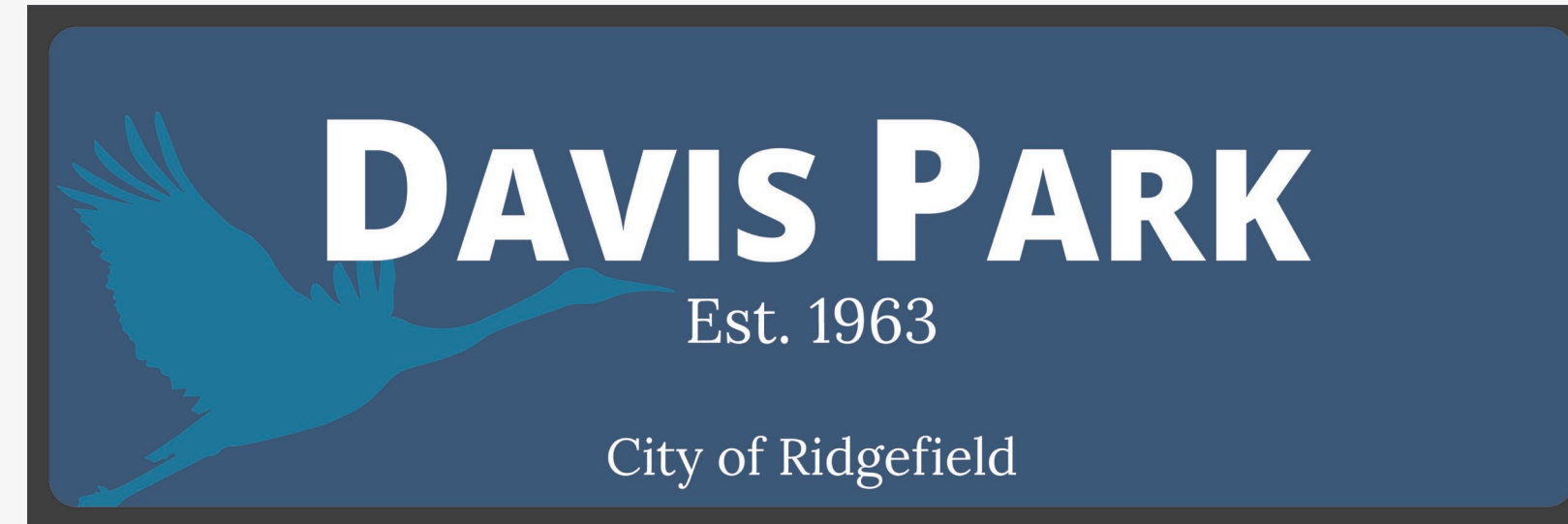
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Parks Board Discussion





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Thank You

The City of Ridgefield, Washington