# 2019 - 2021 Gearhart Master Parks & Recreation Plan

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The City has until October 2021 to complete the plan. The city will work with regional partners and possibly a consultant to develop the plan.

# Tasks & Timeline

Dec 2019 - February 2020

1. Complete an inventory and map of existing park and recreation facilities. Study the use, facilities, conditions and maintenance needs of those park facilities. Identify existing city documents and policies related to park and recreation planning including the Gearhart Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code, the TSP, the Tsunami Resiliency Plan, and Dune vegetation policies in the Public Park Zone.

# Mar – June 2020

2. Develop a level of service and needs assessment to identify the park needs of underserved neighborhoods, underserved disabled, children and elderly populations, tourists including in the undeveloped areas in the UGB.

# July – November 2020

3. Initiate a citizen and agency involvement plan to identify the type of public parks facilities desired by Gearhart residents, homeowners and visitors. Conduct public informational meetings and provide regular updates on the city blog, by public notices and correspondence during the development of the plan.

# Feb – May 2021

4. Develop implementing park planning policies, strategies, actions and zoning development standards. Develop a capital improvement park project list and identify funding sources.

June – October 21

5. Establish public hearing dates, publish legal notices and prepare documents for two to four hearings and adoption. Print a draft plan document. Adopt the final Gearhart Parks and Recreation Master Plan as an element of the Comprehensive Plan.

# Citizen Involvement

The Mayor will appoint a Parks Master Plan Citizen Involvement Committee. The committee will include representatives of the Planning Commission and City Council as well as key constituents such as parents, elderly and disabled representatives. The project will be coordinated with state and local agencies and non-profits including ODOT, Department of Fish and Wildlife, DEQ, the City of Seaside, the Seaside School District, Clatsop County and the North Coast Land Conservancy.