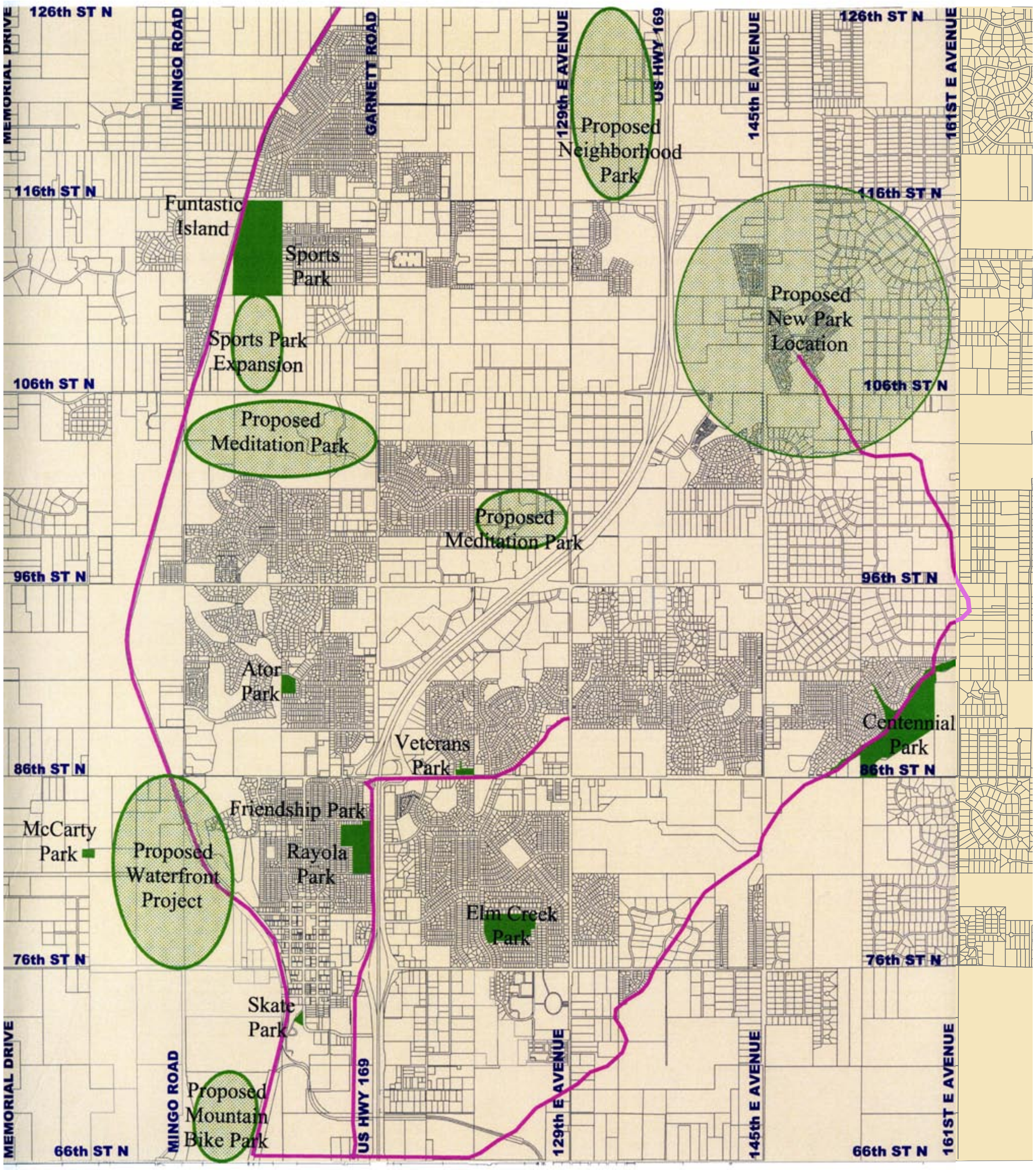

OWASSO PARKS MASTER PLAN

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Legend

- Existing Park
- Proposed Park
- Proposed Trail

North

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Purposes of the Parks Master Plan:

1. To set forth the guidelines for future parks development, facility development and use policies, leisure service delivery and the operation and management of the parks and recreation system.

2. To be an overall policy guide for short and long-term physical and program development of the public recreation and open space areas of the city. It will provide a foundation for decision-making by the City of Owasso.

3. To outline specific goals and objectives for community recreation services in light of the general pattern of existing and future development of land uses and community character. The plan will inventory and set direction for parks and open space decision-making in light of the current status of the city in the following areas: land use, environmental resources, recreational transportation, and cultural resources.

4. To advance measures and provide recreational and open space facilities that encourage a healthy lifestyle and an appreciation of the beauty of the natural resources of Owasso.

Objectives of the Parks Master Plan:

Community and Neighborhood Parks
1. Focus efforts on developing large community parks
2. Create standards for parks installation and construction
3. Encourage developers to create neighborhood parks
4. Develop a park geared towards young adults
   a. Outdoor amphitheater
   b. Local musical artists/bands routinely featured at parks
   c. An outdoor patio bar and/or grill type place
   d. Could be similar to River Parks area in Tulsa
5. Pursue the development of the downtown waterfront project

Enhancing Existing Parks
1. Install a rock climbing facility at one of the parks
2. Develop Frisbee golf at Centennial Park
3. Provide Ferry/carriage rides in parks at certain times of the year
4. Stocked fishing ponds at Elm Creek, Centennial, and Sportspark

5. Construct a splash pad at Rayola Park
6. Build another gazebo in one of the parks, similar to the Rayola gazebo
7. Encourage the use of parks for block parties, cookouts, etc.
8. Explore possible wireless internet access to all parks
9. Build more outdoor basketball courts in existing parks
10. Update existing playground equipment in all parks
11. Install playground equipment in parks that do not have it
12. Provide public restrooms at all parks that have parking lots
13. Cover pedestrian bridges located within parks
14. Provide for Geo caching within the parks

New Types of Parks
1. Construct a miniature golf course in Owasso
2. Construct a trails system throughout Owasso
3. Provide a mountain bike park
4. Provide a dog park in Owasso
5. Construct a large water park in Owasso
6. Provide a rock climbing facility in an Owasso park
7. Construct a kids' park for ages 6 - under
8. Secure a football field for public use

Park Location
1. Develop additional parks in the northeast part of the community
2. Buy park land while it remains available for parks development
3. Seek donated land from developers before developments are complete
4. Locate meditation center near the hospitals
5. Develop parks around existing schools, prior to development of the area
6. Survey utility customers to find out where citizens would like to place different kinds of parks

Park Themes
1. Develop a western heritage theme at Rayola Park
2. Install information plaques within Owasso parks
3. Develop themed naming systems for street signs within parks, such as Native American names or character-oriented names
4. Revisit the "Name the field or site" program for fund-raising
5. Create different themes for different parks
6. Develop a "Haunted Trail" at Centennial Park
7. Promote an annual parent/child fishing day/festival at Elm Creek Park
8. Prepare development plans for individual parks

9. Install trail signage in all Owasso parks
10. Create a unified signage theme throughout the Owasso parks

Sportspark
1. Construct a permanent lighted entrance sign for the Sportspark
2. Continue to strengthen the multi-use aspect of the Sportspark
3. Develop a trails system around the Sportspark
4. Construct a splash pad near Funtastic Island
5. Increase the concession and restroom facilities at the Sportspark
6. Re-number the ball fields at the Sportspark
7. Develop a uniform system of signage for the Sportspark
9. Install irrigation systems in the Sportspark
10. Enhance the ADA accessibility within the Sportspark
11. Construct additional shelters near Funtastic Island
12. Pave the parking areas within the Sportspark
13. Install benches and trees along trails within the Sportspark
14. Install additional fenced-in playground equipment at Funtastic Island
15. Install shielded spotlights around the Sportspark restrooms
16. Install additional drinking fountains at the Sportspark
17. Install Grills with picnic tables throughout the Sportspark
18. Complete the construction of the Veterans Park, including substantial landscaping enhancements
19. Increase the amount of Sportspark landscaping, especially in the north
20. Install signs that map out Sportspark trails
21. Fence and screen the electric box at Funtastic Island
22. Update existing Sportspark equipment and facilities

Park Facilities:

Ator Park
1. Picnic Tables
2. Playground equipment

Centennial Park
1. Annual harvest festival
2. Picnic shelter
3. Playground equipment
4. Restroom
5. Three fishing ponds
6. Three-mile walking and jogging trail

7. Future rock climbing facility
8. Future Frisbee golf course
9. Future carriage rides for holiday events
10. Future gazebo
11. Future basketball courts
12. Future dog park
13. Future "Haunted Trail"

Elm Creek Park
1. Half-mile walking and jogging trail
2. Restrooms
3. Three picnic shelters
4. Tennis courts
5. Playground equipment
6. Fishing pond
7. Annual fishing derby event
8. Future basketball courts
9. Future landscaping enhancement project

Friendship Park
1. Gazebo
2. Annual "Art in the Park" concert series
3. Annual "Lights On" event

McCarty Park
1. Baseball fields
2. Soccer fields
3. Restrooms
4. Concessions
5. Rodeo grounds
6. Future dog park

Rayola Park
1. Baseball fields
2. ¾ mile walking and jogging trail
3. Playground equipment
4. Picnic shelter
5. Volleyball facility
6. Basketball court
7. Annual winter wonderland event

8. Future splash pad
9. Future restrooms

Skatepark
1. Eleven skateboard features
2. Restroom
3. Future outdoor lighting

Sportspark
1. Annual Burning of the Greens event
2. Baseball fourplex
3. Cross-country training facility
4. Flag football field
5. Funtastic Island playground
6. Future fishing pond
7. Multi-use fourplex
8. Parks office and maintenance facility
9. Restroom facilities
10. Softball fourplex
11. Thirteen soccer fields
12. Veterans memorial
13. "Walk in the Park" program

Veterans Park
1. Picnic table
2. Future "Name that Park" promotion
3. Future uplighting to enhance the appearance of the mature trees in the park
4. Future landscaping enhancement project
5. Future water feature

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