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## **CITY OF STAMFORD**

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The Office of Operations will be the steward of this action plan which will aim to identify and execute improvements to our Parks network aligned with the four goals and set of strategies comprising the Strategic Plan. This action plan will act as a living document with the potential for amendments as new ideas, initiatives and opportunities present themselves. We look forward to continued engagement with residents and stakeholders to achieve our vision of creating a vibrant, resilient, and equitable public open space network that can be enjoyed by all for generations to come.

ACTION PLAN		
EMPOWER	Insight	Action Items
Empowering Community Voices. We are committed to a Plan that responds to the voices of our City.	Pages 34 & 35	Develop and implement a plan to keep bathrooms open and maintained year-round while standardizing bathroom design with ADA compliance.
	Page 163	Create an annual Earth Day event to promote awareness of park initiatives and engage the community.
	Page 12	Develop and implement a paving program for 100% City maintained park pathways and research opportunities for use of permeable surfaces.
CELEBRATE	Insight	Action Items
Caring for Stamford's Parks.  The Plan identifies strategies to enhance existing parks while finding opportunities for new parks, especially for communities that are under-served by parks, recreation, and natural areas.	Broad	Research, identify, and pursue partnerships to promote accessible green spaces.
	Pages 34 & 35	Develop and implement a plan for marina restoration.
CONNECT	Insight	Action Items
Improving the Open Space Network. The plan identifies ways to better connect parks and other community assets such as schools and libraries.	Page 165	Formalize partnership with Board of Education for field use and align with the Board of Education Long-term Facilities Plan.
	Page 165	Launch overall needs assessment for city fields.
	Broad	Align sustainability goals from Climate Action Plan with park planning process.
	Page 108	Develop and implement conceptual design for greenways connecting parks and schools.
GROW	Insight	Action Items
Supporting Organization Growth. By understanding that sustainable parks begin with people, we re-imagine organizational structures creating more efficient systems to better support our parks' future.	Page 165	Introduce a new enforcement strategy to improve park safety and compliance with park rules and regulations.
	Page 134	Support the development of a 501(c)(3) to support citywide park initiatives and manage the Adopt a Spot program.
	Page 154	Develop and implement Parks Special Revenue Fund to generate restricted revenue for Parks and Recreation.
	Pages 134 & 208	Research and identify new opportunities for growth of Parks and Recreation related activities and events to generate revenue and expand park access.