

2021/23 APRC GOALS

1. Investigate, develop and implement a dedicated permanent funding source to ensure the long-term financial sustainability of the ashland parks and recreation commission.
2. Develop an environmental sustainability and implementation plan.
3. Improve public aquatic recreation and competitive options in Ashland consistent with the findings and recommendations of the Pool Ad Hoc Committee and ensure the continuous operation of an adequate recreational pool in Ashland during the summer months, at a minimum, until construction begins on a new pool.
4. Build east main street neighborhood park including the dog park, bike-skills park and pump track.
5. Explore the feasibility of and make a decision on all trails and proposals by the Rogue Valley Mountain Bike Association.
6. Update the Ashland Open Space Comprehensive Plan.
7. Explore and implement, as funds allow, capital improvements that would reduce long term maintenance costs with a goal for the improvements to pay for themselves.
8. Complete the phased master plan for Ashland Creek Park, including the installation of a basketball court with striping for multiple uses, including pickleball.
9. Mitigate fire vulnerability on all APRC lands and explore funding to support fire suppression and best management practices.
10. Perform a system-wide master plan for ashland parks and recreation commission to include the following sections, at least (sections may be completed together or independently):
 1. Vision and goals
 2. Bicycle and pedestrian circulation and access to park properties
 3. Park system maintenance and improvements
 4. Fleet evaluation recommendations
 5. Design and maintenance guidelines
 6. Review and update of all aprc policies
11. Work with local partners, including the Ashland School District and Southern Oregon University to obtain agreements for mutual use of facilities including school gyms for recreation leagues or open play during non-school times and during smoke events.
12. Complete the work on the Lithia Park Paster plan and present the completed plan to the commissioners for adoption.
13. Create a small pocket-neighborhood playground/park in the vicinity of oak knoll clubhouse.
14. Investigate ways to improve diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) for both internal workforce and public access and services.
15. Continue to work with the City of Ashland, the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations to promote and support tourism in outdoor recreation.