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**TOWN OF LOOMIS  
GENERAL PLAN LAND USE ELEMENT**

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**PARKS, RECREATION, & OPEN SPACE  
SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING  
MAY 27, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.**



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# AGENDA

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- » **Status**
- » **Comments Received**
- » **Existing Goals and Policies**
- » **Revised Goals and Policies**



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# AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

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» **General Plan Update**

<https://loomis.ca.gov/2020-general-plan-update/>

» **Land Use Setting**

<https://loomis.ca.gov/documents/land-use-setting-v-1-03-25-2021/>

» **Vacant Lands Map**

<https://loomis.ca.gov/documents/vacant-lands-map-4-21-2021/>

» **Policy Writing Guidance**

<https://loomis.ca.gov/documents/loomis-goal-and-policy-writing/>

» **Social Pinpoint General Plan Update Survey**

<https://loomis.ca.gov/loomis-social-pinpoint-interactive-map/>

» **Town of Loomis Market Study**

<https://storage.googleapis.com/proudcity/loomisca/uploads/2021/01/Vol-ume-III-V.1-01-27-2021.pdf>



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# PUBLIC COMMENTS (SUMMARIZED)

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## » Specific Suggestions:

- Preservation of oak trees/open space on Turtle Island site
- Greenbelt buffer between Loomis and Rocklin
- Connect to Rocklin bike trails
- Convert Train Depot parking to park
- Trail along Secret Ravine
- Joint use agreement with Placer County

Comment Theme	Count
Desire for more multi-use trails	6
Desire for more preserved open space/parks	6
Park maintenance concerns/funding	3
Joint use agreement suggestions	2
Request for dedicated park by the library	3
Request for a dog park	2
Prioritizing parks in developments and areas of density	4



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# EXISTING ISSUES & GOALS

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## Issues

- » The Town's 1997 park and recreation needs assessment indicates a need for additional park and recreation facilities and services. These include new parks, ball fields, playgrounds, courts, and bike paths and trails.
- » The resident survey prepared for the General Plan update highlighted the need for a community center.

## Goals

1. To ensure adequate park and recreation facilities.
2. To provide for a multi-use community center.



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# EXISTING POLICIES

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1. The Town will pursue ~~all available~~ funding mechanisms to provide a multi-use community center. *(Keep as revised, not all funding makes sense for the City to pursue)*
2. The Town will work toward providing additional park and recreation facilities to meet the needs of Loomis residents as the Town's population increases. *(confusing as policy, suggest delete as #3 is clearer or reword slightly and make goal)*
3. Loomis shall adopt Town park and recreational standards to guide and promote the development of recreational open space, **in addition to working with Placer County in the provision of public recreation facilities.** *(The standards should be part of this Element and therefore wouldn't need this as a policy. The highlighted text should be its own policy.)*
4. New residential developments shall provide for the recreational open space needs of their residents. *(As written, this suggests that private open space could provide for their needs, suggest deleting this in favor of new policy that requires dedication or payment of in-lieu park fees at a ratio of x acres per 1,000 population.)*



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# EXISTING POLICIES

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5. Loomis shall encourage the compatible recreational use of riparian and stream corridors, where feasible.
  - a. *As appropriate the Town will* ~~Loomis shall~~ support and cooperate with volunteer groups and organizations that provide recreational activities for Town residents. (*This is absolute, are we sure we want absolute? See wording suggestion.*)
  - b. Open space areas within proposed developments shall be designed as part of an integrated Town-wide network, in conjunction with bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian trails. (*Keep*)
6. Loomis will continue to work with local school districts and the County to extend the park and recreation opportunities of Loomis residents through joint-use facilities. (*Keep*)
7. New lighted park and recreation facilities shall undergo review to determine whether lighting would impact adjacent residential uses. If such impacts would occur, facilities shall remain either unlighted, or lighting shall be limited either by timing or location, as appropriate. (*Vague and essentially eliminates lighted parks as ‘...impact adjacent residential uses.’ is open ended. Usually there is a numeric threshold such as one candle foot or prohibit within x feet. If this is something the Town wants it needs more clarity unless the intent is to prohibit lighting all together. Also, what about security lighting?*)



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# EXISTING IMPLEMENTATION MEASURE

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1. The Town will evaluate and consider the following financing options to procure park land and recreational facilities, and a multi-use community center ***including but not limited to the following***: ~~These options are described in detail in the Town of Loomis Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Chapter VI, Financial Plan.)~~ *(Keep as revised.)*
  - Lease-Purchase
  - Impact Fees on New Construction
  - General Obligation Bond Issue
  - Lighting and Landscaping Districts
  - Borrowed Funds using Certificates of Participation
  - County Service Area Charges
  - Property Tax Financing
  - Joint Powers Agreements
  - Non-profit Foundation
2. The Town will evaluate the existing park land and recreation in-lieu impact fee program and recommend revisions if determined appropriate. *(Ok, but really unnecessary as this should occur with review of all fees.)*
3. The Town will evaluate the existing park land and recreation use fee schedule to determine if amendments to the current program are necessary. *(Same as above)*





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# REVISED GOALS AND POLICIES

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- » **PlaceWorks to share working draft of key text on the screen to discuss, edit, and agree upon.**



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# BEFORE NEXT MEETING

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» **Review:**

- Review Goals and Policies ...Think about wording changes.

» **Continue to provide comments on the comment form from the Town's website**

- Submit comments through the General Plan Update email address at: [GPUpdate@loomis.ca.gov](mailto:GPUpdate@loomis.ca.gov).

» **Participate in the Loomis Social Pinpoint General Plan Update Survey:** <https://loomis.ca.gov/loomis-social-pinpoint-interactive-map/>



# QUESTIONS?

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# 2010 DRAFT PARKS MASTER PLAN

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## » General Policies and Programs

- Parks Recreation and Open Space Committee (PROSC)
- Continue and expand upon the relationship between the Town of Loomis and the School Districts
- Require 5 acres of neighborhood and community parkland per 1000 residents and 5 acres of open space per 1000 residents for new developments
- Require larger residential subdivisions build and maintain a park to serve their residents
- Require all new residential projects in the Central Loomis Planning Area to pay Quimby Act fees
- Consider establishing a Parks and Open Space District
- Link parks and open space together with trails, as feasible



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## » Parks and Recreation Policies

- Design a park and habitat area on the Heritage Park Subdivision site
- Require design of a passive use park and habitat areas on the Village site
- Require design of a greenway along the north side of Secret Ravine Creek when the commercial site north of the creek is developed
- Acquire a new 6–7-acre park site along the west side of the Antelope Creek corridor
- Acquire a new 10–12-acre park site in the South Loomis Planning Area
- Require small family tot lots in all new subdivisions
- Work with Placer County on park improvement opportunities at Loomis Basin Regional Park



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## » Recreation Program Policies

- Evaluate potential of the Blue Goose facility to serve as a formally dedicated community center
- Continue formal working relationship with the Placer Land Trust (PLT)
- Draft a model Conservation Easement Agreement
- Involve local residents and businesses in open space preservation efforts
- Promote environmental connectivity and public access when evaluating development applications
- Develop a Master Preservation and Public Access Plan for creek systems
- Work with regional partners to identify and preserve open space areas and wildlife corridors
- Evaluate development of a Wildlife Corridor Ordinance
- Limit the use of curb & gutter and sidewalks in the rural areas



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# 2010 DRAFT PARKS MASTER PLAN

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## » Funding and Financing

- Annually update:
  - Quimby Act Park Dedication and In-lieu Fee
  - Park Land Acquisition Mitigation Fee
  - Passive Park and Open Space Land Acquisition Mitigation Fee
  - Park Facility Improvements Mitigation Fee
- Create a Master Landscape and Lighting District
- Aggressively pursue state and federal grant funding
- Rely upon all new residential development for new parks
- Utilize Quimby Act funds to augment the size of passive use parks

