PROJECT PROPOSAL PRESENTATION

City of Ridgetop 2025 LWCF Grant Application

RIDGETOP PARK ACQUISITION PROJECT

Census Population

2022 US Census Bureau Estimates 2020 US Census Bureau

- City of Ridgetop
 - ▶ Total Population: 2,198
 - ▶ Total Households: 881
- Robertson County
 - ▶ Total Population: 76,776
 - ▶ Total Households: 29,522

Hygeia Springs Ridgetop The City of Ridgetop is located in Robertson County

<u>Ridgetop, TN - Profile data - Census Reporter</u> <u>Ridgetop city, Tennessee - Census Bureau Tables</u>

RECREATIONAL ACREAGE

The City of Ridgetop has over

37 acres

of land dedicated to recreational use

Target Demographics

- The proposed project is for acquisition of 11.3 acres of property to expand Station Park.
- Future development of the property will provide recreation services for users of all ages.

Age

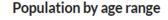
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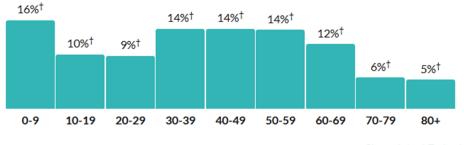
Median age

about 10 percent higher than the figure in the Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin, TN Metro Area: 36.8

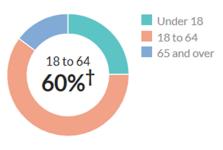
a little higher than the figure in

Tennessee: 38.9





Population by age category

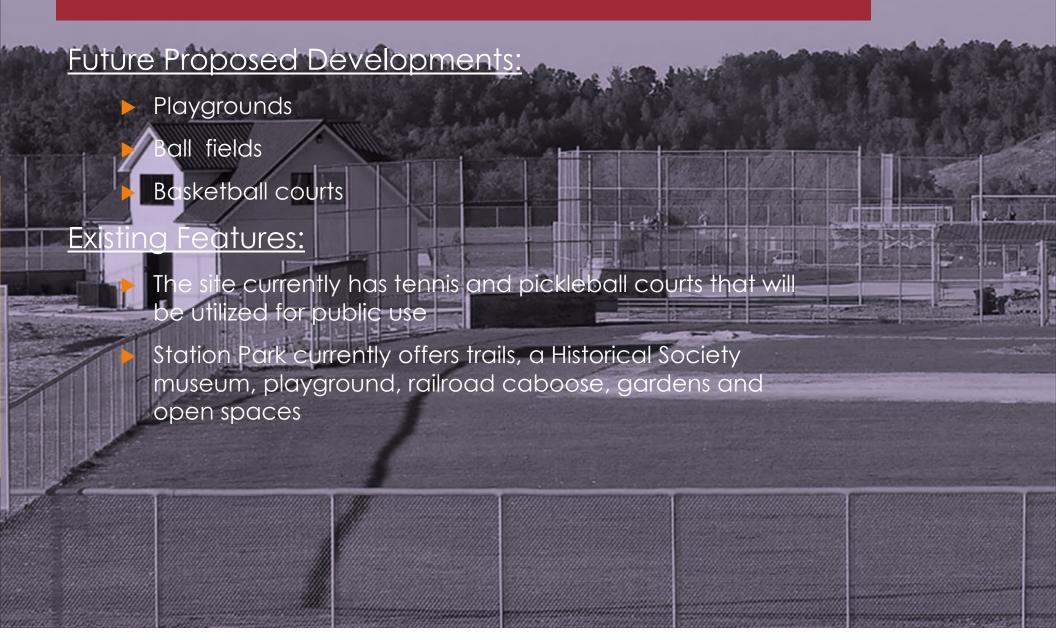


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Public Recreation Activities at Station Park



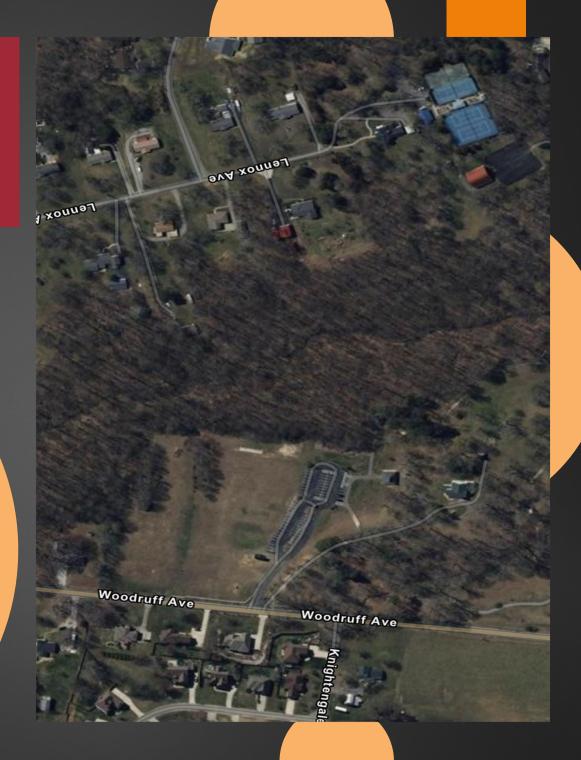
Positive Community Impact

Addresses the needs, interests, and priorities of the community detailed during the 2025 Parks & Recreation Master Planning process:

Purchase of Summer Crest Property through grant funds to expand Station Park.

The property already has tennis and pickleball courts, which are in excellent condition and, once acquired, will be available for public use.

Future development of the park to include athletic fields, playground, etc.



Goal of Project

- Address the public's wishes, needs, and priorities as outlined in the 2025 System-Wide Parks & Recreation Master Plan
- Acquire 11.3 acres of property adjacent to Station Park to expand recreation facilities
- Provide recreation amenities through existing pickleball and tennis courts
- In the future, develop athletic facilities to expand programmatic offerings through the Parks and Recreation Department

Means & Funding For Development

- Grant funding through Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant, requiring 50/50 match
- The City will contribute cash for the match portion

Suitability, Location, & Topography for Development of Project

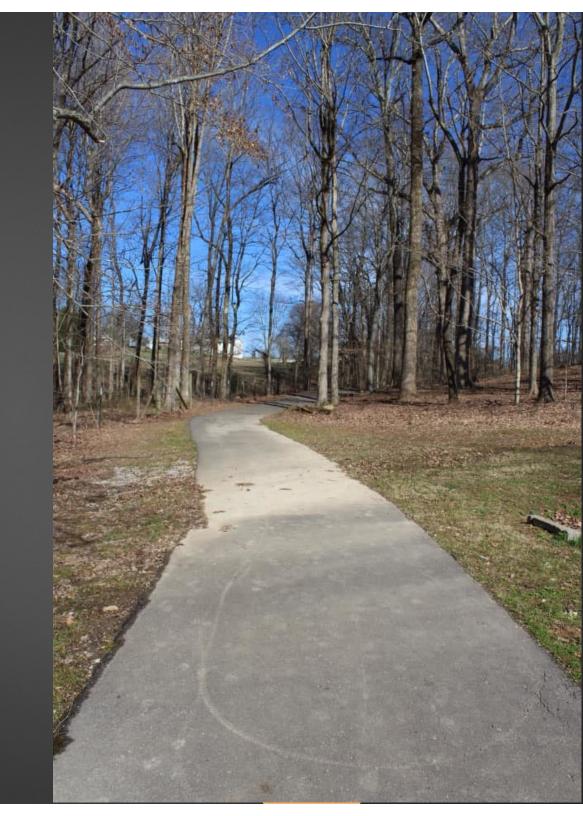
- The two proposed tracts of land are located adjacent to Station Park, giving the opportunity to expand the existing recreation opportunities at the park
- Total proposed acres to be acquired is 11.3 acres which will provide a total of 33.3 acres of land for recreation use at Station Park
- There is space to implement proposed future improvements at the park while maintaining adequate open spaces with room for future recreation development
- The park is located just a couple of miles from two local Elementary Schools and is centrally located to many residential developments in Ridgetop



Site Development

The proposed project addresses park needs identified in 2025 Master Plan Update

- Purchase Summer Crest Property through grant funds to expand Station Park.
- Utilize existing pickleball and tennis facilities for public use
- Develop athletic facilities for programmatic use



Programming Plans for Site

Station Park

Proposed:

- Pickleball and Tennis programming
- Future baseball, softball and basketball programming opportunities

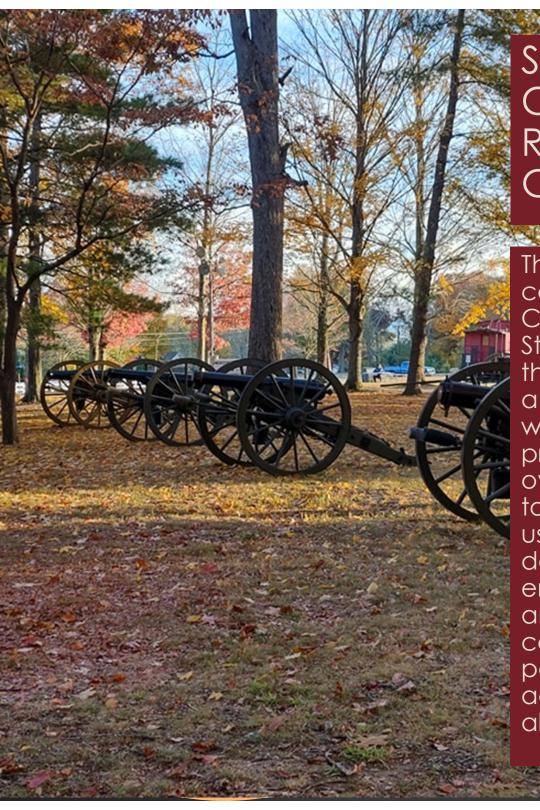
Existing:

- Walking Trails
- Historic Society Museum
- Playground
- Railroad Caboose
- Gardens
- Open Spaces



State Comprehensive Recreation Plan Goal: Advocacy & Education

City of Ridgetop advocates for parks and recreation by pursuing projects to enhance recreational opportunities and to improve connectivity and access for community residents and visitors. The City's primary existing recreational area is Station Park, which is a large passive park that includes a Historical Society Museum. This proposed project allows the City to secure additional property for recreational development, which will be directly accessible from Station Park.



State Comprehensive Recreation Plan Goal: Conservation

The City of Ridgetop is committed to the conservation of Tennessee's, and the City's, legacy in outdoor recreation. Station Park is a 22+ acre passive park that includes trails, a museum, gardens, a small playground, and large open and wooded areas. The land acquisition proposed will allow the City to secure just over 11-acres of additional park space to keep existing recreational facilities in use, and to create new recreational developments. The City will continue to enhance and expand existing facilities in an effort to get children of this community outside in nature participating in a wide variety of activities, which is vital to the growth of all children within this community.

State Comprehensive Recreation Plan Goal: inclusivity, diversity, equity, access, affordability

Applying for the requested funding will allow the City to secure over 11-acreas of land that will be designated for recreational use. One of the tracts to be acquired currently has a tennis and pickleball club in operation on it. Securing this land and facilities for public use will allow all persons to access these facilities and assure that they are not lost assets. The requested funding will allow the City to stretch the parks and recreation budget further, bridging the gap that would be needed to purchase the land proposed.

Project Timeline

- Submit Application
- Receive Funding Award
- State Contracting
- Acquire Property
- Implement rec programming
- Project Close-out

April 2025

November 2025

February 2026

July 2026

September 2026

December 2026

Project Design Elements Station Park

Use of Site

- Acquired land will expand existing
 Station Park from 22 acres to 33.3 acres
- Existing pickleball and tennis courts will be available for public use
- Additional undeveloped property available for future athletic facility ball fields, playground, etc.

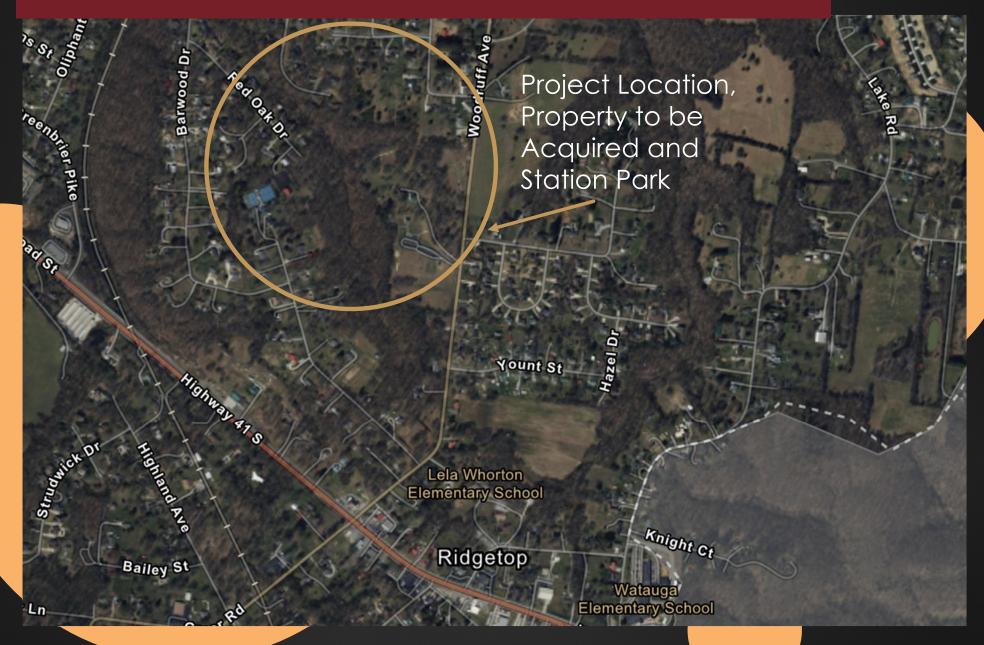


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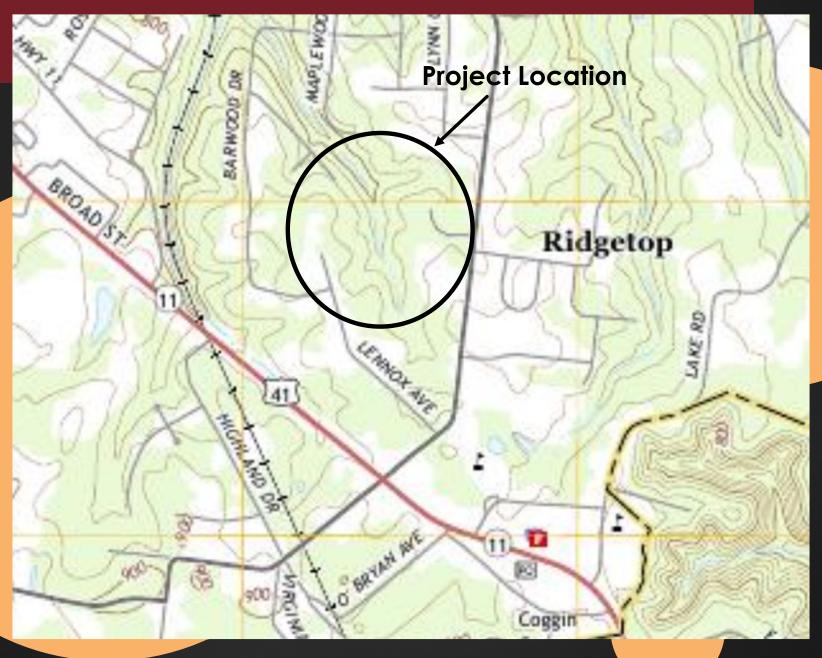
Access

- The park will be open to citizens between sunrise and sunset
- Ease of Maintenance
 - The City of Ridgetop has successfully developed and maintained its parks and recreation spaces for several decades
 - The proposed project activities will not create any new routine operational maintenance responsibilities for the maintenance staff.

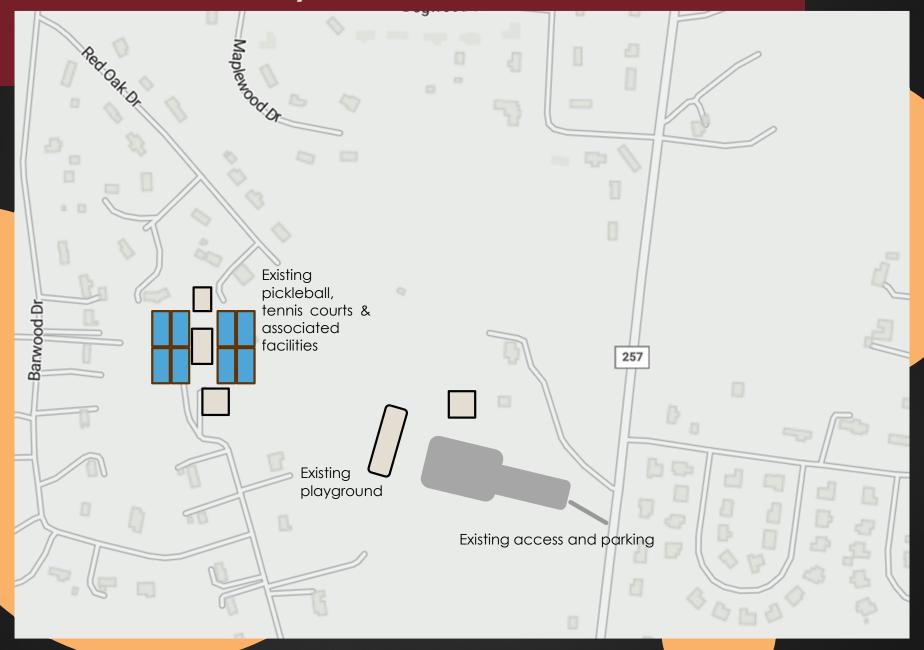
Project Location Map



Topographic Map



Preliminary Site Plan



Thank You For Your Engagement Our Project!