

Department New Request Form

Fiscal Year 2024

<i>Program</i>	Culture & Recreation	<i>Title of New Request:</i>	<i>Rank:</i> <input type="text" value="23"/>
<i>Department</i>	Parks & Recreation		
<i>Request Category</i>	New Request/Service/Feature	Projects and Planning Staff - Program Specialist II	
<i>Request Rating</i>	Maintain Level of Service		
<i>Department Goal</i>	Organizational Excellence and Resilience: Build Capacity		

1. How will request assist in achieving Department Goal and benefit the customer

We have emerged from the pandemic as a changed community. There has been a surge in outdoor recreation, and Missoulians have recognized the important role that parks and trails play within our community. Parks and Recreation continues to receive record breaking requests for new services and projects. We continue to work with CPDI and PWM to keep up with the incredibly fast paced development, all while we attempt to update and maintain park and trail facilities that are degrading over time. There is also a critically important need to update the 2004 Master Park Plan, the Parks and Recreation Design Manual, and participate in Code Reform and development review. The current workload is not sustainable with our current three member team. Additionally, we are seeing new local, state, and federal funding opportunities in the next few years that we may not be able to take advantage of without increasing capacity. Many neighborhood requests for projects continue to be delayed, the condition of park facilities will continue to decline, and our ability to fully engage in Code Reform, and other strategic priorities is diminished without adding another team member to increase capacity.

2. What specifically is needed to achieve this goal?

1.0 FTE Projects & Planning with experience in landscape architecture, planning and project management is needed to meet the increasing demands of our community, neighborhoods, and developers, as well as take advantage of funding and partnership opportunities. Work station, computer, software, training

3. Cost Impact of New Program:

Revenue Offset:

4. What sort of data will be used to report results and outcomes of request?

Neighborhood requests for services and park improvements will be considered and requests likely can be fulfilled. Updates to the parks and recreation design manual and other guiding plans will be made. Effective and timely review of development plans will be met. This data will be included in monthly park board reporting on team achievements, and upcoming priorities and goals.

Requested/Proposed Funding Source		
	One-time	Ongoing
or Assessment	3,616	96,282
Non-tax	-	-
Fund Balance	-	-
Total	3,616	96,282