

Walkability plan shows existing, proposed and desired routes

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"It would be nice...to have some bike paths for the kids, because most of our sidewalks are either not there or they're just completely messed up. It's safer to ride on the road because they're going to have an accident on the sidewalk," stated a parent during one of the assessment meetings (Re: What People Said, 3b). The visioning committee also wanted safer, more complete sidewalks, but were comfortable walking on residential roads because the traffic is minimal. The committee guided the design team on the specific routes around the community they would like to see improved. These "exercise routes", as one committee member called them, would be various lengths depending on the individual and would include benches, pedestrian lighting where needed, and additional shade tree plantings.

The community is already exploring ways to get a sidewalk or trail out to Strand Park, stating that the east side is the preferred route. This important link would allow kids to walk or bike to Strand Park, which they are not able to do now unless they use busy County Road S56. Almost all of the Shell Rock River property is private, leaving the park as the only public shoreline and river access. The design team is proposing this continue into the park at the tennis and basketball courts and continue along the tree line north to the existing parking area and west side river

Shade Tree Recommended Species



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Existing mowed trail path to pedestrian bridge across Beaver Creek



Proposed trail in Strand Park would continue on to Plymouth



Proposed Bench Iron Valley Bench Manufacturer: Kay Park Recreations (800) 553-2476

