

Trail Master Plan

Aplington residents have expressed interest in wanting a trail in town. The nearest designated recreational trail is the Rolling Prairie Trail, which is 17 miles away. Creating a trail in Aplington would give residents access to a wide, smooth pathway for increased mobility and recreational activities such as walking and biking.

There are two areas with exceptional potential for trails on the east and west sides of town. The west trail route would be around the Aplington Recreation Complex, and the east trail route would be around Maple Manor Village and the soccer practice fields. The west trail route is 1.3 miles and the east is 0.6 miles for a combined total of approximately two miles.

Existing and proposed sidewalks (reference: Pedestrian Connections, 7) along Nash Street and Parriott Street would help connect both trail routes. Additionally, a potential trail route along Gray Street with proposed sidewalks along 6th Street and Howard Street would connect the school to the east and west trail routes.



West Trail Loop: Proposed trail around the existing Aplington Recreation Complex with proposed sidewalks to improve connection and circulation.



East Trail Loop: Proposed trail around Maple Manor Village and the soccer practice fields.



Existing conditions on the west side of the Recreation Complex looking south



Proposed trail on the west side of the Recreation Complex looking south

Trail Amenities

Solar
Pedestrian Lighting

Bench

Trails Benefit from Trees

In addition to trail amenities, tree plantings can greatly enhance the users experience adding to the overall ambiance of the trail. Trees provide shade, creating the opportunity for users to escape the sun during hot summer months. When choosing trees, it is important to select a diverse range of species to ensure the longevity of a healthy living environment. More information about tree diversity can be found at www.treesforever.org.

