PARKS, PUBLIC SPACES & FACILITIES

VISION STATEMENT

We envision San Marcos with safe and attractive parks, public spaces and facilities which provide a range of amenities and experiences. We envision a connected system of parks and natural areas that focus on our unique cultural and environmental heritage.
Review and approve infrastructure plans every five years to be consistent with the preferred scenario and comprehensive plan vision and goals.

Expand the current library

Construct regional branch libraries, based on nationally recognized standards and Preferred Scenario

Review and implement a program to fulfill the need to expand City cemetery

GOAL 2
A DIFFERENTIATED COLLECTION OF CONNECTED AND EASILY NAVIGATED PARKS AND PUBLIC SPACES
Objectives:
Develop a full comprehensive way-finding system for City, including all transportation options
Create and implement a policy that ensures adequate resources are identified to develop and maintain parks and public space prior to acceptance of dedication
Create a Greenways Master Plan
Develop a beautification schedule for gateways.

GOAL 3
A VIBRANT CENTRAL ARTS DISTRICT AND ROBUST ARTS AND CULTURAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVERYONE
Objectives:
Create funding mechanism(s) for the area designated as the Central Arts District
Establish an Arts District Development Task Force to identify the location for, and implement the creation of, the Central Arts District
Develop Art in Public Places Program, identify areas of the city that could be used for murals/public art displays
GOAL 4
FUNDING AND STAFFING TO ENSURE QUALITY PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
Objectives:
Make fire and police asset investments that accommodate the more compact, sustainable, and dense development and infrastructure in the preferred scenario
Perform an analysis to create and maintain a fire and police station location plan which identifies, based on nationally recognized and accepted response times, the appropriate locations for future fire, EMS, and police stations
Expand our volunteer system to create a Central Volunteer System
Establish a park amenities schedule for a maintenance/repair/replacement program

GOAL 5
EFFECTIVE SOCIAL SERVICES DELIVERED TO THOSE WHO CAN MOST BENEFIT FROM THEM
Objectives:
Conduct a gap analysis of current social services and facilitate cooperation between the public and private social service providers to better meet community needs
Study and address homelessness issues through qualitative and/or quantitative analysis
Partner with local healthcare systems and relevant stakeholders to provide more robust public and mental healthcare infrastructure with focused locations in activity nodes