

# City of Columbia

# Parks and Recreation Survey

## Question 21 Responses

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**Q21. What comes to mind when you hear "Columbia Parks and Recreation"  
(And, any other comments)?**

- A big waste of money.
- A good part of Columbia, MO, providing good opportunities for the people. A velodrome would be a great addition and get a lot of use. Indoor or outdoor.
- A great agency that supports and provides activities, health and leisure at low or no cost for Columbia residents.
- A hockey rink would be great. Also a program to help underserved youth play hockey would be great.
- A lot of green space but severely overgrown trails in the summer. We don't go on the trails in the summer because no one is taking care of them.
- A lot of trails.
- A primary asset to Columbia my therapy.
- A variety of positive recreational activities and opportunities.
- A very favorable perception.
- A very well managed dept and a very good parks and recreation system that Columbia can be proud of. However, it is very important that our P&R facilities be continually well maintained.
- A wonderful department of the City of Columbia committed to providing the best indoor and outdoor recreational activities in the surrounding region. The care that is given by the Parks & Rec staff is just incredible. The passion, energy, and commitment to the community in providing these wonderful amenities is just fantastic -- Thank you!
- A wonderful part of our community.
- A year ago answers would have included use of more. We have not left the house.
- Active and dedicated!
- Adequate facilities, not extravagant.
- An exceptional parks and recreation part of Columbia's government services! Well maintained! Good use of public funds. A significant part of Columbia's welcome for visitors and prospective residents. KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!!
- Appreciative
- ARC
- ARC and dog parks, both very used, both very important.
- ARC- needs updating.
- ARC Trails
- Augh!!!!!! Anything city I vote no on. You waste the money and you city manager is a bigger idiot than the one before him and I didn't think that was possible!! I was wrong!!!
- Awesome, love you guys and what you provide for our community.
- awesome.
- Beautiful parks and trails, what makes Columbia a great place to live.
- Beautiful parks!
- Beautiful town. I moved here for the parks.
- Beautiful trails, and a unique Activity Recreation Center.

- Beautiful trails, athletic fields and facilities, ARC
- Beautiful, open spaces. clean waterways. new play equipment. I love supporting parks and Rec in CoNo.
- Best thing, makes Columbia great.
- Bike and nature trails.
- Bike trails, spending money-while city services continue to decline.
- Boots and Blues Festival. Our city does more than most cities do.
- Boredom
- Bring back old twin lakes swim area.
- Children play area, hiking trails, picnic areas, sports. I have lived in Columbia for over 40 yrs. I have gone to several park and rec areas and one thing I am disappointed in is the restrooms. They are filthy. I hate to use any of them. I can't believe you advertise and try to draw people to come here and then you can't provide descent restroom facilities. You should be embarrassed. Columbia is better than this. You should go out and see if you would want to use them yourself.
- City parks and trails.
- Clean and well maintained.
- Clean, well maintained spaces.
- Clean, well maintained trails and facilities. Welcoming areas for residents to meet and utilize. Was a great thing for newcomers to learn about the area and interact safely with others during covid. Thank you.
- Columbia has a lot of great parks and trails, so job well done there. I would like to see slightly less focus on the bike paths in certain areas as the amount of use they get doesn't seem to justify the cost. Maybe the trail connections would help.
- Columbia has a very good Parks & Recreation system that should be a model for other towns and cities.
- Columbia has been good about providing parks and trails, but sometimes it seems to be a little overkill. Maybe Columbia needs to think about what kind of recreation they can provide seniors. Like centers located in the south west area. Columbia caters to the younger generation. Once a person has a family and works they don't have time for trails etc.
- Columbia is the beautiful quiet family place that it is because of its parks and activities. Everyone that comes to visit, I urge to check out our gorgeous nature trails and parks.
- Columbia is unable to host large baseball and basketball tournaments.
- Columbia P&R does an excellent job!
- Columbia Parks & Recreation is a very good organization working hard for the welfare of the people of Columbia.
- Columbia Parks and rec is an asset to our community. There is a variety of activities and services for everyone. Family centered destinations are the things I look for when spending time with my mother, children, and grandchildren.
- Community
- Community
- Community gatherings for connection and recreation.
- Community parks & ARC
- Consider using taxes/fees

- Cosmo park
- Cosmo Park and Stephens Lake. You guys are great! Thank you!
- Cosmo Park, Stephens Park, Albert-Oakland Park, Grindstone Biking Trail all around Columbia. Sports for kids.
- COSMO, Stephens, Douglas, ARC
- Cosmo-Bethel Park, it is just down the street so I go there often.
- Disappointment. Build an ice rink. We are the largest city in the country without one, and people move away every year because of it.
- Don't use.
- Embarrassment Not trustworthy. Only cares about farmers and basketball
- Enhanced quality of life
- Enjoy using the facilities.
- Enough! There is enough of them.
- Essential
- Events for the city of Columbia, MO
- Excellence. Well managed. A cornerstone of our community. And while I would like to see an ice arena, I know this will never happen and am fine with that.
- Excellent parks, even better trails. Improving connections and building the trail system is a primary interest of mine.
- Excellent Parks, Thank you for doing such great work.
- Excellent parks, trails, and disc golf courses.
- Excellent programs and facilities
- Excellent programs for young families of wage earners.
- excellent trails but no enforcement of leash laws. I have back pain and walking the trails is good for me. when unleashed dogs charge me, I tense up and it sets back pain off.
- Exercise, relaxation, enjoyment
- Family friendly
- Family, friends, fun, wildlife. Share the land with wildlife.
- Favorable
- Fire in the Sky is terrible.
- First thing I think of is diamond council baseball... but I want it to be Indoor Ice Rink! Money maker and much needed in this town. If Jeff City can support an ice rink, we sure as hell can!
- Focus on indoor facilities, Columbia is way behind on these
- Forward thinking, community minded.
- Fun activity, safe and clean.
- Fun areas.
- Fun outdoor activities- an important organization- environmental preservation.
- Fun things to do with kids outside.
- Fun!
- Fun!
- Fun!
- Fun, more funding
- Fun. Water aerobics, ARC, Cosmo Park, MLK trail.

- Garth Nature Center Dog Park when temp is above 40. I am at the dog park nearly every day. The park is kept in good shape. I call when I see a problem such as a hole in the fence. It is usually fixed within three days.
- Generally good, but has not kept its promise to provide an ice rink or extended, well maintained rollerblade trail at Cosmo Park.
- Generally the parks are in very good shape, they are well managed.
- Getting exercise, meeting up with friends.
- golf courses and trails. Please maintain what you have.
- Golf courses need help. Greens need to be redone.
- Good facilities
- Good family recreation.
- Good healthy fun!
- Good parks and lots of greenspace
- Good parks.
- Good place to go for fun, recreation, hiking, biking and bird watching.
- Good reputation, mostly oriented toward youth (a good thing), but would like to see things for aging population and equestrian!!
- Good things. Picked up. Neat and clean.
- Good: MKT and assoc. with trees and environment. Bad: Mowing down pollinator foliage to put in oppressive unsustainable concrete trails. Please minimize your oppressive clear cutting and claiming it is for the benefit of disabled and the one and only way to do it. come on!
- Grateful for our parks & rec. Our community is blessed with wonderful parks/trails, playgrounds.
- Gratitude!
- Great
- Great asset
- Great asset- keep up the good work.
- Great city department that strives to offer the citizens myriad ways to stay physically active and enjoy the outdoors.
- Great Greenspace!
- Great lifestyle, living in CoMo.
- Great place to maintain fitness.
- Great programs and facilities. Best in the midwest.
- Great system
- Great trail system but needs to be even better. I don't like the proximity of cross country trails near sensitive nature areas at Grindstone.
- Great trails and activity center.
- Great trails, softball/baseball games, nice shelters.
- Great walking trails, good for outdoors people, good reason to move to Columbia, creates friendly community environment. We love them.
- Green space and dependable.
- Green space and walking and biking trails.
- Green space/recreation

- Happiness, Sports, peace.
- Happy and wish.
- Have not maintained Rainbow Center-use to be the best in the midwest, now it's horrible. Cost too much for leagues (that is why there isn't many.) Cater way too much to youth- take care of the adults.
- Healthy, fun, nature.
- Healthy, Invigorating, friendly gatherings, Inclusiveness of all Colombians, pride in community.
- Helps make Columbia a special place to live, excellent.
- High quality.
- Hiking and walking trails
- Hominy Creek Trail is well cared for. Thank you to staff who clear silt under 70 tunnel.
- How bad the quality of the pools can be and no ice rink which Columbia members would greatly use
- How lucky we are.
- I am always saying how the city has amazing facilities which they do also maintain- very important.
- I am grateful to live in a city where green space is important. My grandchildren love the parks. My husband and I are looking forward to returning to the ARC when we feel safe to do so from the covid virus.
- I am not sure? I would say the neighborhood parks are largely unnecessary and antiquated. I think trails are the best focus of future expenditures.
- I belong to Cosmo Luncheon Club. Parks are very important to me. Especially for children and sports.
- I do an excellent job. The mission, however, is less so. The ARC is for rich people, the trails for healthy ones. I am neither.
- I don't believe we need to acquire more land, space, etc. We have a beautiful park system that should be maintained. The revenue an ice rink would bring to the city is enormous, and has been presented many times over the years.
- I don't know where the parks are located and what each one offers.
- I have a lovely little park within walking distance to my home (Cosmo-Bethel Park) and if it had a fenced in dog park area, I would be ecstatic, but I love it no matter what!
- I have been so appreciative of all green spaces especially through this pandemic. Thank you for everything you do!
- I have lived in Columbia all my life, these day I do not feel safe. Too many shootings in parks these days. I feel safe on the MKT Trail in other towns by the trail, not in Columbia.
- I included our adult children in some of these answers.
- I like Columbia Parks, but there are really poor walking/biking connections between parks and living areas.
- I like what they do and they do good work. I wish they would improve the outside of the armory. I do not like that we have all of these soccer fields and the kids can't play on them.
- I love our trails.
- I love that part of Columbia immensely!
- I need to get a better understanding of what is available to do throughout the year.

- I remember our kids going through youth soccer, basketball and running meets when they were of elementary school age. But mostly, I think of our beautiful trail system. Our trails connect us to nature for physical and mental health.
- I smile because of all the wonderful trails, parks, and outdoor events contribute to my happiness and overall well being. I feel safe walking trails alone and enjoy taking my grandkids to the many playgrounds and splash park.
- I think about Capen and MKT. I think mostly grass and non-native trees in neighborhood parks. But impressed with the protected space we do have. I love being able to hike so quickly.
- I think how nice the parks are- what they offer to persons of all ages and social Economics. Family oriented.
- I think of concerts in the park.
- I think of COSMO Park & the ARC. I am generally pleased with Columbia park system, although, some playground equipment at COSMO is a waste of money.
- I think of the ARC. I was a member for a number of years, mostly enjoyed the pool and exercise. I do not feel a couple should pay 292 and a single should pay 225. That is a 78 dollar difference per person. It should be the same price.
- I think of the large Parks here in town such as Stephens and Cosmo in addition I think of The ARC and maybe the Armory downtown.
- I think of the parks like Stephens Lake. We discovered several trails due to Covid restrictions and think they are fabulous. Especially the paved ones, they facilitate the use of a motorized scooter.
- I think of the publication that is available with all the courses/activities that are listed.
- I think overall Columbia Parks and Rec does a pretty good job, but I would like to see more indoor family friendly options/pools.
- I think Park and Rec does a great job! It is one of the reasons I still live here. Weather permitting I spend 1-2 hours a day on trails and in parks.
- I think the Parks and Rec department excels at providing citizens ample opportunity for outdoor physical activities.
- I think there are enough trails.
- I think they are doing an excellent job
- I used to have nothing but good thoughts now, it's marred by anxiety over whether or not I want to chance taking my grandchildren to a park where there is drug paraphernalia, recent attacks and shootings.
- I walk the trails in Orange beach, Alabama. A great model. Suggest 1/4 mile markers, each direction from access points. Seats, always welcome. Maps showing length of trails. Like distance around the lake at Bethel Park. A band space shell over stage at Stephens Park like Naperville Illinois.
- I would like to see the Rierhmann Pavilion more affordable for week night rental for neighborhood groups and civic organizations.
- I would really like more information on 1 particular site, via app. Please remind people of the most current events, somewhere. Please have the tv stations show that site. Thank you. (There is not enough communication in the public.)
- Ice rink ice rink

- In a very short distance from my home, I have access to very well kept parks and facilities. I would like to see more money spent in the parks and facilities near 1st ward library. Douglass, etc. My daughter lives there and some of the spaces seem less attended to.
- Increased taxes.
- Innovative, Comprehensive planning to preserve nature & recreational opportunities while mitigating impacts of rapid and not well planned development.
- Is there a volunteer program for picking up litter on some of the trails?
- It is great. However, there should be plans in place to maintain and improve what we have before new land and parks are acquired.
- I've lived in several small and big towns and Columbia has the best park system. Keep up the good work.
- I've only lived here for about 2 years. I love all the parks and events offered in the community!!
- Keep creating as much public good as possible. I would favor extending the sales tax supplement indefinitely and increase it if the parks dept had specific objectives. Also add reddit to Q8.
- Keep up the good work.
- Key aspect of Columbia's high quality of living. Evidence of pride in the community.
- Leisure activities
- Leisure, Entertainment, Activity
- Local, natural, outdoor adventures.
- Lots of hiking and biking trails. Family fun activities.
- Lots of parks.
- love and enjoy it.
- Love it, more please
- Love the many parks we have visited over the years, but lack of shade trees forces my family to leave earlier than wanting. Especially hot days. Stephn's playground is the most shaded park. We also love "Little Mates Cove." We hope they will reopen this year or build a water park for young. I also live in Clearview subdivision and would love to see a neighborhood park built- I believe the closest to Smiley Lane. Thank you for the opportunity and my input.
- Love the parks man, but this new city of Columbia mandate about garbage bags is horseshoe
- Love the Scott Branch Trail and getting exercise.
- Love what we currently have! Due to Covid, had to rethink where to take grandkids. In the summer there needs to be more grass mowing and weeds cut! Always bird poop and animal feces in shelters. I believe, for awhile, no new park areas, due to Covid. Fix what we have.
- mainly their summer swim program, and youth athletics
- maintain what we have - do not need more
- Many options, close to home, nice scenery.
- MKT Trail, Katy Trail, active Columbia community.
- Money
- Money spent and sidewalks ignored.
- Money spent on other infrastructure.
- More pickleball courts
- My dog.
- Nature, exercise, clean space.



- Need improvements to Douglass Park restrooms. Mold on sinks, new bathrooms are needed. The park was improved except for the bathrooms. Douglass Park needs new bathrooms- filthy.
- Need more dog parks.
- Need to use the north side of town more. Our parks and trails are great. Would like to see the older ones fixed up. Utilize the fairgrounds more.
- Nice areas to spend time visiting.
- Nice facilities.
- Nice feature for the city. Fund the parks by stop creating bike lanes which very, very few people use.
- Nice parks and play areas for kids, especially younger kids.
- Nice Parks and walking trails
- Nice parks. Cosmo and the dog park.
- Nice way to maintain Columbia's positive lifestyle.
- No comments for parks and rec but I would certainly love a survey from waste management. You guys are doing great. Trash/recycling collection is disappointing.
- Now that I do not feel safe in a gym (covid 19) I am grateful to have COSMA- Bethel Park, Stephens Lake Park, and Albert-Oakland Park available for me.
- Oh they make me happier! But really wish for more connections to the trails to allow folks to avoid danger of riding on Roads and streets.
- Old traditional sports
- One of the best in the County!
- One of the communities greatest asset and widely used.
- One of the main reasons to live in Columbia.
- One of the reasons people love living and visiting here.
- One of the reasons the city is so great to live in. The trail system in combination with the amount of green space is a huge benefit to our citizens physical and mental health.
- Outdoor fee activities, fun, sunshine, etc.
- Outdoor Fun!
- Outdoor Park, picnic area, dog park
- Outdoor/indoor fun
- Outstanding
- Outstanding
- Outstanding and beautiful, well maintained land and trails compared to any other city I have lived in.
- Overall Parks and Rec does a great job.
- Parks and green space are a vital component of a vibrant, progressive community.
- Parks and Rec does excellent work with the resources you have.
- Parks and rec in Columbia is not supportive of pools and swimming in Columbia.
- Parks and Rec is one of the best things about Columbia. Congratulations!
- Parks and recreation are vital elements for the well being and function of society. I encourage the Columbia Parks and Rec to be kept and improved to meet the well being of the community.
- Parks and Recreation in Columbia are among the best parts of living here and we look forward to introducing our 10 month old to the parks and trails.

- Parks and the ARC
- Parks and trails around the city. Occasional fun events throughout the year. Current parks and trails mostly kept up. Great dog park! Twin Lakes.
- Parks and trails.
- Parks and Trails. Would like to see playgrounds, parks, trails updated and improved.
- Parks, concerts, basketball games. Would appreciate if you could keep Bathrooms clean- open.
- parks, playgrounds, trails
- Parks, Pools, Courts, etc.
- Parks, trails, pools, recreational facilities and activities.
- Places and activities that provide the adults and children in the area with fun ways to stay healthy.
- Places around Columbia to get out and explore! The staff have also been great stewards of our outdoor spaces. Thank you for all the work you do.
- Pleasant memories. The Homer Creek Park needs more parking.
- Please fix the restrooms or at least the water fountain at Hinkson Creek.
- Please keep perspective and use money wisely- Thank you
- Pools & Parks
- Positive for the community
- Positive for the community.
- Positive! I am very proud of how our town uses its natural resources for both preservation and recreation. HUGE for you guys!
- Pride in Columbia's fine parks and trails
- Pride in our community Parks and Rec department and their great ideas, good stewards of taxes and follow through.
- Progressive
- Progressives town, interested in promoting wellness in the community.
- Provides opportunities for a wide range of fitness and community events for people with many interests and ages.
- Providing an opportunity for a variety of outdoor activities for all age groups & preserving green space.
- Public areas fir recreation/leisure.
- Quality
- Quality city service
- Quality is important.
- Quality Lifestyle
- Quality, plentiful, well-maintained parks and recreational areas and facilities. Placed strategically throughout the city. Efforts to preserve nature/greenspace from over development.
- Quality, responsiveness, food vision, good for all columbians.
- Quality, variety, availability.
- Recreation and dog parks.
- Reduced, free sports and outside activities. Parks

- Relaxing while the kids have fun. Being social, variety. Pride in Columbia. COMO Parks and Rec set Columbia apart. Wheelchair sports are neglected by the city. We would love to have that change.
- Robust, well run city programs.
- running trails
- So very glad to live in CoMo.
- Something I can be very proud of.
- Something nice for city.
- Spend, spend, spend. Buy, buy, buy. Take care of what already exists.
- Sponsored outdoor activities
- Sports
- Staying healthy in the community.
- Stephens Lake Park
- Stephen's Lake Park, Cosmo Park.
- Stephens Lake Park, MKT, Hinson Creek Trail.
- Stephens Lake walking paths. The ARC.
- Summer BBQ
- Support Parks & Recreation
- Supporting the health of Columbians
- Thankful for all of the variety of opportunities for recreation. A stellar city program, outstanding.
- The ARC facilities- what a success that facility has been.
- The arc swimming pool
- The Arc, dog parks and pocket parks.
- The city of Columbia has too many parks. They all need to be sold to be privatized. Tax dollars from citizens of Columbia don't need to be wasted.
- The Columbia Parks & Recreation Group is key to maintaining a superior quality of life in Columbia. In general, the city of Columbia's best days are behind it. The superior park system is the only thing that I can point to in Columbia that keeps us from being a backwater community. Columbia is a mess. Don't screw up the parks.
- The department that gives out community trails, shelters, playgrounds, etc., for everyone. We do need more places for youth groups to go and expend energy and have fun.
- The main reason to move to Columbia during the pandemic, the parks were our salvation.
- The many services provided for youth and adults of all abilities.
- The MKT Trail
- The parks are beautiful that we have. Let's maintain them.
- The reason I moved to Columbia.
- The trails!
- The walking trails come to mind. Please consider adding more sidewalks and sidewalk lights. Thanks
- These facilities are very important to our community. access for all community members.
- They are great! We love the outdoors here in Columbia!
- They do a great job! I love having wooded trails in the middle of the city.

- They provide our city with great spaces throughout the city and the classes and services have been appreciated. Staff are helpful and costs (if any) are reasonable.
- This is a great place to live and have a family. Columbia is making efforts for fun, relaxation, and exercise for all members of the family.
- This is one of the reasons I continue to live here.
- Time to go golfing!
- Too eager to dot the landscape with bronze plaques, too eager to build new and not too eager to maintain what we already have. Too eager to develop and overbuild green space (Stephens Lake), ruining natural green quiet space.
- Too many trails
- Too much emphasis over other infrastructure needs, like power and roads.
- Too much money spent on parks not used very much
- Too much money spent!
- Trail system, Stephens Lake, Cosmo Park, Bethel Park
- Trail/Bike
- Trails
- Trails
- Trails and golf courses. This is a valuable resource for the community and helps convince people to settle here.
- Trails and playgrounds
- Trails and wasteful spending.
- Trails on trails on trails.
- Trails, ARC
- Trails, Athletic fields, playgrounds. Abundance of City Parks.
- Trails, Big Foot
- Trails, outdoor space, crowded!
- Trails, parks and playgrounds.
- Trails, parks, and sports facilities.
- Trails, Parks, Events
- Trails, playgrounds and parks.
- Trails, youth sports, facilities
- Trails-beauty-community. Thank you for all your hard work.
- Trusted city department. Has provided wonderful events and facilities for our family.
- Under valued
- Upkeep of our parks and trails
- Using prime commercial land for a park is just plain stupid (corner of Providence and Broadway).
- Value. We have a very nice overall parks and rec system.
- Variety and quality in options. I personally love the number of recreational and nature trails. It is wonderful to have two affordable well kept golf courses as well. The improvements are great!
- Variety or outdoor activities for the whole family to enjoy.
- Very dedicated to providing Columbia residents with a variety of choices when it comes to recreation. Works to provide recreation for all age ranges.
- Very extensive and important to Columbia City Management. Offers COMO a healthy life style.

- Very good facilities for the size of the city.
- Very good in Columbia.
- Very good parks! Generally. Maintain and improve what the city already owns. Need an indoor ice skating facility.
- Very good system
- very important for Columbia.
- Volunteering to remove invasive plants parks near my house. Dog parks and nature trails we use regularly.
- walking
- Walking trails, picnic areas, swimming areas, skateboard parks.
- waste of money
- waste of money
- Waste of tax money!
- Waste of taxpayers money
- We are fortunate to live in a community that treasures all green spaces and all types of indoor and outdoor activities.
- We are required to pick up our dogs feces, but the city does not have trash cans. If the city wants compliance it needs to put trash cans at every trail junction.
- We do not have an indoor competition pool. Sad...
- WE HAVE A FINE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. HOWEVER, I DO BELIEVE WE HAVE DESTROYED TOO MANY TREES FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE TRAIL SYSTEM AND HAVE OFTEN DESTROYED TOO WIDE A SWATH OF NATURE IN THE PROCESS. THESE ISSUES MAKES US LESS INCLINED TO VOTE TO EXPAND OUR PARKS SYSTEM. STOP SLAUGHTERING THE OLD TREES. ALL TRAILS DON'T NEED TO BE CONNECTED.
- We have good parks now and with so many people out of work, I don't think parks are a real priority right now. Taxes are too high now.
- We have seen more and more issues of safety in the trails and parks. On a whole I feel Columbia Parks and Rec are doing a fair job in providing services.
- We have too many parks, but well maintained. Good things.
- We just moved to Columbia and appreciate the trails and ARC maintaining existing facilities and updating them is a good priority. We look forward to enjoying resources for years to come!
- We love all parks and rec offers and trails and parks are one of our favorite parts of living in Columbia.
- We love the parks.
- We need and Ice Rink and a Competitive Pool rec center like St. Peters
- We need more space for group fitness classes with qualified instructors. I enjoy walking the trails through the parks.
- We really need them.
- We'd like to make sure that funds are used to develop projects that are easily accessible and affordable to everyone regardless of socioeconomic status.
- Well done, proud.
- Well maintained green space with variety of public use activities.

- Well run programs that have put Columbia on the map. However, new construction needs to be much more of a concern with preserving existing natural features, especially trees. Too many trees unnecessarily lost sometimes.
- We've got enough facilities now. The one picnic area restroom we visited this year was filthy and bugs were everywhere, so we're having difficulty maintaining what we've got. We drive by certain small parks on a repeat basis - at different times of the day - and have never seen anybody using the park in the 16 years we've lived in Columbia. Look at shutting down the under-utilized and moving the equipment to those that may need replacement/upgrading. Let's prioritize our tax dollars for better use - like fixing our streets that everybody uses. There seems to be a constant need for more and more tax proposals ( I know this is a renewal ) and as sales tax revenue decreases b/c of internet sales - yeah, the voting public wasn't smart enough to see that happening - Columbia will be coming back to ask for more and more as we seek to be a utopia. We've got to be smarter with our \$.
- What a great asset to the city of Columbia
- Why did you quit having the senior PR band?
- Why do we not have an ice rink when Jefferson City can maintain one year round now?
- Why I love Columbia so much!
- Wonderful nature trails, movie nights where families can connect, art & music festivals that bring culture to our community and opportunities for "autistic/special" needs children with their families. Think we can be better but we are doing good. Thank you.
- Wonderful parks, care for the environment, enjoy nature and preserve the green spaces. This is a big reason people love to live in Columbia.
- Wonderful places to take my grandkids, walk my dog, meet with friends, have picnics, play on equipment, sled, go to festivals, and listen to concerts.
- You do a great job and Columbia has lots to offer. Focus more on what we have so funds can improve other city services that are quite lacking like trash and snow removal.
- You have done an excellent job on Harmony Bends disc golf course. I would enjoy having more paved trails instead of gravel.