



TOWN OF WELLESLEY

Fiscal Year 2022-- OPERATING BUDGET REQUEST

Recreation Department: Mission, Services & Priorities

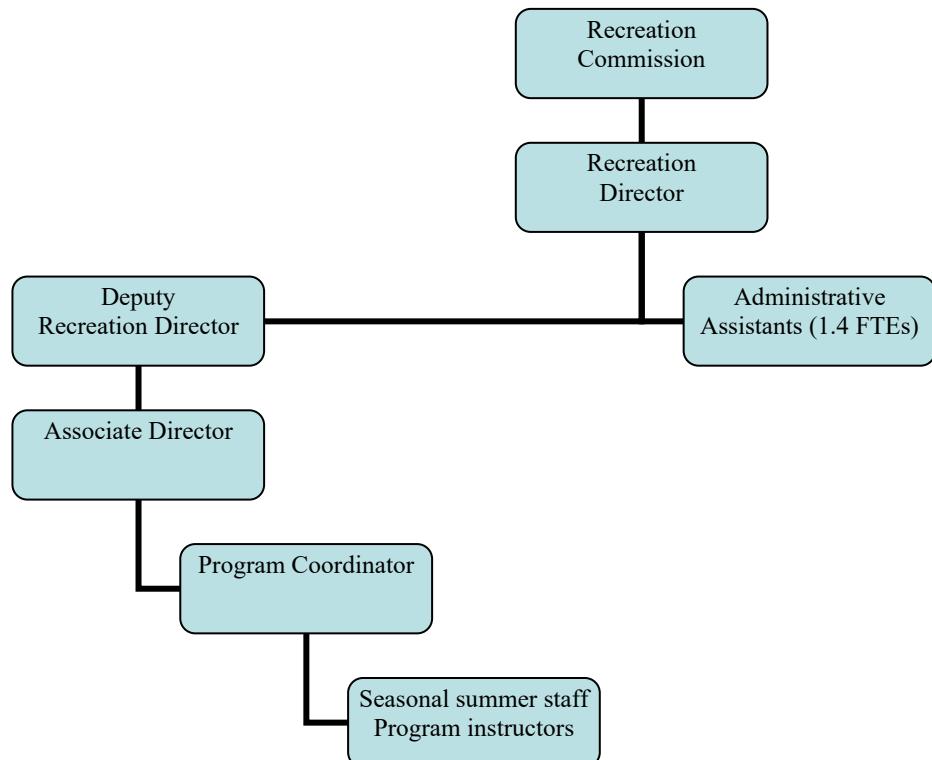
Mission Statement

The Recreation Commission's mission is "To increase people's enjoyment of living in Wellesley and build a deeper sense of community, as we provide recreational and educational opportunities to all Wellesley residents, regardless of age, ability & means."

Organizational Structure

The Recreation Department's 5.4 employees include a Director, Deputy Director, Associate Director, Program Coordinator, full time secretary and part time secretary. These department salaries and expenses are funded by taxes, with a 2022 request of \$392,165.

In addition to the permanent staff, the Recreation Department employs over 100 seasonal employees to administer summer camp and Morses Pond beach programming and over 125 vendors are hired to administer the 910 recreation programs that were offered in FY 2020. These costs are funded by user charges, external donations, and internal scholarships.





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Previous Accomplishments

In FY 2020, the Recreation Department offered 910 programs, of which 749 received enough participants to be self-supporting (before general fund employee costs)

- 9,280 people participated in seasonal programs
- 2,938 purchased Morses Pond season passes; total Morses Pond visits were 21,619
- Total registrants in Recreation Department activities was 38,124
- Working with Friendly Aid, provided \$100,466 in summer camp scholarships (50% donations/50% revenue forgiven)
- Morses Pond Beach & Bathhouse master plan completed

Department Goals

- Complete Morses Pond Beach & Bathhouse Feasibility and Design study
- Department Strategic plan

Warrant Article Requests

Creation of revolving fund for Morses Pond beach and bathhouse operational and programming expenses.

CPC funding of Morses Pond Beach & Bathhouse Feasibility and Design study.

Operating Budget Summary

The Recreation Department will be submitting a less than guideline base level operating budget for its 2022 tax impact costs. Currently, the Recreation Department would fund any additional expenses through the program revolving fund with the approval of the Recreation Commission. This would include any expenses associated with a level service, strategic plan, Unified Plan and/or critical needs budget, and would reduce funds turned back to defray general fund operating costs.



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Revenue Explanation

Outside of the tax impact operating budget, the Recreation Department oversees a “pay to play “Recreation revolving fund. All fees collected to run our 900+ program offerings, summer camp & Morses Pond beach admission cycles through this revolving fund. Revolving Fund revenue for fiscal 2022 was expected to exceed \$1.7 million, but due to the COVID -19 pandemic, we expect a significant decrease in revenue in FY22, with the possibility of no surplus returned to the General Fund.

5 Year Capital Plan

FY’21 – No Capital requests.

FY’22 – No Capital requests.

FY’23 – No Capital requests.

FY’24 - No Capital requests.

FY’25 – Morses Pond Beach & Bathhouse renovation - \$1,400,000

PERMANENT STAFFING (FTEs)	FY18 Actual	FY19 Actual	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY22 Request
Position Titles:					
Director	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Deputy Director	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Associate Director	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Secretary	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
Program Coordinator	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Total Number of Positions	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4



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Recreation Department FY22 Operating Budget Request									
Org	Object	Account # 01-630 Account Title	FY18 Actual	FY19 Actual	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY22 Request	\$ Variance FY21-22	% Variance FY21-22
<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>									
01630100	511010	Senior Administrator	\$ 89,329	\$ 90,402	\$ 96,141	\$ 100,562	\$ 98,168	(2,394)	-2.38%
01630100	511220	Other Professionals	177,151	182,602	177,615	192,992	194,890	1,898	0.98%
01630100	511370	Clerical	61,575	63,988	62,945	68,711	62,754	(5,957)	-8.67%
01630100	512590	Recognition Award Payment		1,404				-	0.00%
01630100	515050	Longevity	500	500	600	600	-	(600)	-100.00%
PERSONAL SERVICES SUBTOTAL			328,555	338,896	337,300	362,865	355,813	(7,052)	-1.94%
<u>EXPENSES</u>									
01630208	524015	Grounds Maintenance		16,075				-	0.00%
01630208	546040	Morses Pond Water Treatment & Safety Maintenance	26,500	10,462	19,652	24,323	24,931	609	2.50%
		Youth & Teen Programming	-	-	4,100	5,424	5,560	136	2.50%
		EXPENSE SUBTOTAL	26,500	26,537	23,752	29,747	30,491	744	2.50%
01630809	570000	Other charges & Expenses	-	-	-			-	0.00%
		DEPARTMENT TOTAL	\$ 355,055	\$ 365,433	\$ 361,052	\$ 392,612	\$ 386,304	(6,308)	-1.61%