

Rendering of potential building from Master Park System Plan

## Project Background

The City of Hopkins seeks funding to design and construct two park buildings, one in Oakes Park located off Blake Road and Lake Street and one in Valley Park located in South Hopkins.

The buildings would provide residents with much needed indoor recreational and educational space.

The buildings would replace existing buildings in each park that were not built to accommodate gathering or community space beyond winter warming house use.

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## **Project Funding**

The estimated cost is approximately \$10.1 million.

The City of Hopkins is requesting 50 percent of funding to come from the State and 51 percent to come from City funds.

City of Hopkins Recreation and Resilience Bonding Request

The City of Hopkins is requesting \$5,000,000 in financial assistance to help design and construct two community park buildings to be used for recreational, educational and climate resilient spaces to help residents connect, gather, learn and participate in government; and to offer a safe shelter during times of extreme heat or other climate events.

## Project Rationale

These two buildings are the result of two separate studies and numerous conversations about the lack of spaces that accommodate the community's needs.

The location of these proposed park buildings are in spaces that represent the full diversity of Hopkins.

In addition to recreation and education space, the buildings provide needed places for voting, community engagement and public safety events, and free access to cool spaces during heat events.

## **Project Timeline**

- Summer 2025: City to issue RFP; select architecture firm
- Fall/Winter 2025: Community engagement; buildings proceed through approval process
- Late Winter/Spring 2026: City to solicit bids for construction
- Spring 2026: Construction begins



Damage of existing park structure in Valley Park