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Pleasant Hill's Newest City Park Has Been Named

PLEASANT HILL, Iowa – Chosen from over 115 entries, Hickory Glen Park is the name of the new 77-acre park southwest of Four Mile Elementary. The name of this signature park was submitted by lifelong Pleasant Hill resident, Emily Bainter.

"I am honored to have my submission chosen for our town's newest park, especially after growing up here and raising my family," said Emily Bainter. "Hickory gives a nod to one of Pleasant Hill's main thoroughfares and when I think of a 'glen,' it is a quiet and peaceful natural area that will allow residents to escape from everyday stress while enjoying the outdoors. I can't wait to experience all that this park will have to offer because I know we will be making family memories at Hickory Glen."

As the city continues to develop, it is important parks are an integral part of the growth. Open spaces that residents can enjoy enhance the quality of life for citizens within the community. In a recent community survey, 73 percent of citizens are supportive of additional parks and trail developments within the city. Enhancements of Parks & Recreation programs and facilities continue to be a priority in creating a more attractive place to live and work.

"Hickory Glen Park is the ideal reflecting the existing natural features including tree cover and topography, while creating green space for our growing community," said Mayor Sara Kurovski. "Hickory Glen is an inviting space that will provide shelters, recreational fields, bike trails, splash pad, community garden and a dog park. We are certainly excited to watch this space develop as it is now our biggest park within the city."

For more information about the master plan for Hickory Glen Park, visit pleasanthilliowa.org/HickoryGlenPark.

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