



Sitka Park

1580 Sitka Street

Park History

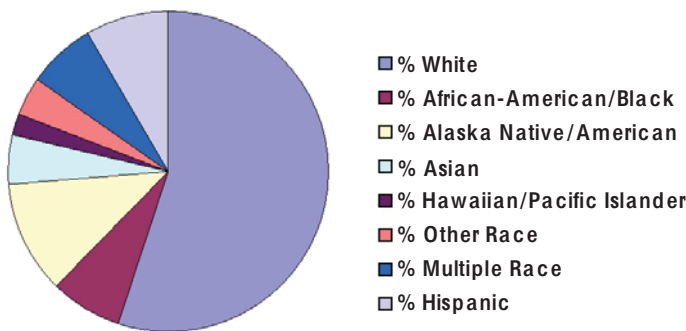
This property was purchased in 1983 and named for the street. The name Sitka is the Tlingit word meaning "by the sea". A portion of the land is leased from Merrill Field.



Neighborhood Statistics*

Population: 5,816
 Percent of Population under age 19: 31.2%
 Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Med.

Ethnic Composition:



*2010 Census Data

Park Facilities & Equipment

- Accessible play equipment for 2-5 year olds
- Swings for 5-12 year olds
- Picnic shelter and tables
- Trail
- Interpretive Kiosk
- Lighting
- Sledding hill
- Open play field
- Portable toilet available from May to September
- Parking lot with 15 spaces



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REPORT CARD ON PARKS: Sitka Street Park 2011

Report Card Background

The Anchorage Parks Report Card utilized community volunteers to create a comprehensive picture of the condition of our parks, reflecting the Anchorage community's opinions, preferences and ideas. Anchorage citizens along with Anchorage Parks and Recreation staff evaluated 38 parks based on 6 different settings. Parks were surveyed based on cleanliness, safety, structure, appearance, and function. Anchorage Parks and Recreation staff will use this information to strategically employ its funding and volunteer resources to better meet the needs of the Anchorage community.

OVERALL GRADE

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Active Recreation Areas

N/A

Green Spaces

64

Park Entry

N/A

Passive Recreation Areas

N/A

Pathways

54

Playgrounds

N/A

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

Sitka Street Park Findings

Community volunteers reported that while they enjoyed the formal park areas, they were concerned about the remote forested area which has a pathway leading to homeless camps in it. This is causing people to feel unsafe recreating in the park.

Fix It List

- A formal trail leading from Sitka Park to the Chester Creek Trail connecting it to the trail system
- Repair bridge over the wetland
- Add entry sign



Turf areas are in poor condition near the picnic area



Kiosk is dated

For a complete directory of Report Card results for neighborhood parks, go to www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/projects/reportcard.htm

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