

Manitowoc Ordinances

14.020 Regulation of Dogs, Cats, and Other Animals.

(1) Limit on Possession of Dogs or Cats. No person shall own, harbor, or keep in his possession on any one parcel of property at any one time more than three dogs and more than three cats over six months of age, nor more than a total of 12 dogs or cats of any age for more than three days, nor shall any person retain a litter or portion of a litter of dogs or cats longer than four months, if such litter or portion of a litter increases the total number of dogs or cats to more than three, except that none of the provisions of this subsection apply to the licensee of a duly licensed kennel.

The Chief of Police or his designee is authorized to issue a permit allowing a person to keep up to four dogs and four cats at one time on any one parcel of property upon receipt of an application accompanied by a \$15.00 fee. In determining whether or not to grant any such permit, the Chief of Police or his designee shall consider the likelihood of a public or private nuisance and may contact residents in the neighborhood prior to making a decision. Any such permit which is granted shall be limited to specifically identified dogs or cats and shall not apply to the dogs or cats owned or kept by such person.

(2) Restricted Species.

(a) No person, except for a duly authorized licensed breeder or pet shop owner, shall keep, sell, breed or offer for sale one or more horses, cows, pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, geese, ducks, doves, pigeons or other fowl, bees, large predators, endangered species or poisonous snakes, rodents, reptiles, exotic species or wild animals (collectively "creatures") or construct or use shelters therefor within the City of Manitowoc without the written permission of the Chief of Police or his designee.

In considering any request for such permission, the Chief of Police or his designee shall consider the number and type of animals or creatures, their location, the facilities to be used for such purpose, the likelihood of a public or private nuisance being created or a health hazard, and the ability of the owner to responsibly control and care for the creatures.

(b) All stables, coops, yards, pens, kennels or other structures wherein any animal or creature is kept shall be constructed so as to be cleanable and kept in good repair. The inside and outside shall be whitewashed or painted as often as necessary to keep them clean or finished with such material that can be easily cleaned. All such structures shall be kept clean and sanitary and shall not cause any objectionable odor. Accumulations of cleanings or manure of more than one day's operation in any such structure shall be deemed a violation of this section and subject to a forfeiture action.

(3) All provisions of Wis. Stat. Ch. [169](#) relating to wild animals, as amended or modified from time to time, are hereby incorporated by reference.

(4) Dogs, Cats, and Other Creatures Not to Run at Large. No owner or keeper of any dog, cat, or any other creature shall permit such dog, cat or other creature to run at large at any time in the City of Manitowoc. A dog, cat, or other creature is to be considered running at large if it is off the premises of the owner or keeper and not under control of the owner or some other person. Any police officer or humane officer may attempt to capture and restrain any dog, cat, or other creature running at large as permitted by the Wisconsin Statutes.

(5)(a) Dogs, Cats, and Creatures Prohibited. No dog, cat or other creature shall be permitted on or in any school ground, public playground, cemetery or public park in the City of Manitowoc, unless said dog, cat or other creature is assisting a disabled individual, participating in an event sponsored or approved by the Recreation Department or as allowed under subsection (5)(b) of this section. No dog, cat or other creature is permitted on any portion of the marina facilities in the City of Manitowoc except as provided in any rules approved by the Board of Harbor Commissioners or as allowed under subsection (5)(b) of this section. As used herein, the term **marina facilities** shall include all City-owned property lying east of Maritime Drive between the Y.M.C.A. and the Yacht Club.

(b) Dogs Allowed in Designated Areas. Dogs may be walked, if on a leash and under the control of their owner, owner's family member or owner authorized person, only in posted areas of the City, and designated areas of the City parks and trailways, which areas include the following:

1. Trail No. 9 – all trailways in Red Arrow Park.
2. Trail No. 34 North Lakefront – Mariner's Trail along Riverwalk, including the Blue Rail area next to the marina and the posted containment area.
3. Trail No. 36 – South Lakefront along the Library and Carferry area.
4. Trail No. 29 – Rahr Trailway through Manitou Park, along Michigan Avenue.
5. Trail No. 2 Lower Henry Schuette Park – Clay Pit Road through trails to parking lot off Broadway Street.
6. Dogs are allowed in all other areas designated by the City with signage indicating it is a dog run area.

(c) Dogs are not permitted in the park proper and must be kept on the trail, pathway or in the designated area at all times. All feces shall be properly removed and disposed of by any person walking the dog.

(d) Penalty. A person charged with violating any portion of this subsection shall be subject to a forfeiture in an amount not less than \$40.00 nor more than \$200.00.

(6) Seizing or Killing of Dogs and Cats. Any person who shall kill a dog or cat not his own or not in his keeping shall forthwith report such fact in writing to the Police Department. Such report shall state the

name and address of the person who killed the dog or cat, the time, place and the circumstances of such killing, and the disposition made of such carcass. Any person who shall have seized or impounded a dog or cat with or without a license shall deliver such dog or cat personally, or shall notify the owner of the fact if such owner is known to the person or can be ascertained with reasonable effort. If the owner is not known or cannot be ascertained with reasonable effort, and if the person seizing or impounding any dog or cat is other than a police officer, such person shall forthwith notify the Police Department of the fact and shall surrender such dog or cat to the Police Department. If the owner of any dog or cat seized or impounded is unknown to the Police Department and cannot be ascertained with reasonable effort by the Police Department, the Police Department shall place the dog or cat in the possession of the Humane Society where it shall be held in accordance with the Wisconsin Statutes.

(7) Dogs and Cats in Public Places. No dog or cat whether licensed or unlicensed, muzzled or not muzzled shall be allowed upon the streets of the City of Manitowoc or in public places, such as railway depots, hotels, restaurants, theaters, public conveyances, stores and the like, unless on a suitable and dependable leash not longer than eight feet in length. A female dog or cat in heat must be confined on the owner's property at all times.

(8) Collars to Keep on Dogs and Cats. Every dog and cat over the age of six months, whether kennel licensed or individually licensed, shall at all times wear a substantial, durable collar to which shall be attached securely the license tag required. No license tag shall be used on the collar of any dog or cat other than the one for which it is issued. No person shall remove the collar or tag or both from any dog or cat without the consent of the person to whom the license is issued.

(9) Defecation on Private and Public Property Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or in control of any dog or cat to allow or permit such animal to defecate on any private or public property owned by another unless such person shall remove all feces so deposited by such animal.

(10) Impoundment. Impoundment of dogs in the City of Manitowoc shall be governed by Wis. Stat. § [174.06](#). Impoundment of cats shall be treated identically to the impoundment of dogs.

(11) Loud or Barking Animals. No person shall keep, harbor, or own any dog, cat, or other animal that by loud or frequent or habitual barking, yelping, or howling, or by constant threat of attacking or biting, shall cause annoyance to the neighborhood or members of the public. No person shall refuse to deliver up to any police officer any dog, cat, or other animal when properly requested to do so under the provisions of this chapter.

(12) Attacking or Biting Dog, Cat, or Other Creatures.

(a) Keep, Harbor, Own. No person shall keep, harbor or own any dog, cat, or other creature which shall attack, bite or cause damage to any member of the public, a domestic animal or property of another whether the attack or damage is on public or private property, including the private property of the person owning the attacking or biting dog, cat, or other creature.

(b) Removal or Impoundment.

1. Removal. Any person ordered by the City to remove any attacking or biting dog, cat, or other creature from the City shall do so immediately.

2. Impoundment. Any dog, cat, or other creature ordered by the City to be impounded shall be immediately surrendered to the City police to be detained until such time as a court order is obtained for the disposition of the animal or creature.

(c) Costs of Disposition. Any person keeping, harboring or owning an attacking or biting dog, cat, or other creature shall pay all costs for the removal, impoundment, destruction or other disposition of said animal.

(d) Failing to Comply. Any person failing to comply with any written terms, conditions or restrictions imposed by the City regarding an attacking or biting dog, cat, or other creature shall be in violation of this section.

(e) All provisions of Wis. Stat. Chs. [169](#) and [174](#), as amended or modified from time to time, are hereby incorporated by reference.

(f) Penalties. Any person in violation of any provision of this section shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00 for first offense and not less than \$200.00 nor more than \$1,000 for any subsequent offenses. Each and every day that such violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.

(13) Harboring Sick or Injured Animals. No person shall keep or harbor a sick or injured animal unless that animal is receiving proper medical attention, food, drink, and shelter. The Manitowoc Police Department shall have the authority to seize any animal being so mistreated and transport the animal to the Humane Society or destroy it if necessary.

(14) Fur-Bearing Animal Farm Prohibited. No person, firm or corporation shall keep, operate, maintain or have a mink farm or farms, fox farm or farms or other fur-bearing animal farm or farms within the corporate limits of the City of Manitowoc, and the keeping, operating or maintenance of such a farm within the corporate limits of said City is hereby declared to be a public nuisance.

(15) Cruelty to Animals. No person shall willfully, maliciously or wantonly kill, maim, mutilate, disfigure or injure any horse, mule, cattle, sheep, dog, cat or other domestic animal except in cases expressly authorized by law, or administer poison to any such animal or expose any poison with the intent that the same may be taken or swallowed by any such animal. No person shall overdrive, overload, maim, wound, torture, torment, cruelly beat or kill any such animal or, being the owner or having the care or charge of any such animal, fail to provide necessary food, water, or shelter for any such animal. No person shall turn out and abandon, without proper care or protection, or cruelly work any such animal of which such person is the owner or has the care or charge when the animal is old, diseased, disabled or unfit for work.

No person shall carry or confine any animal, fowl or bird in any cruel or inhumane manner or cause or procure or abet any cruelty above mentioned, or the fighting of bulls, dogs, cocks or any other animal.

(16) Penalties. Violations of subsection (1), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (10), (11) or (14) of this section shall be punishable by a forfeiture of not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$200.00. Violations of subsection (9) of this section shall be punishable by a forfeiture of not less than \$20.00 nor more than \$200.00. Violations of subsection (12), (13) or (15) of this section shall be punishable by a forfeiture of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00.

[Ord. 10-428 §§ 1 – 6, 2010; Ord. 07-116 § 1, 2007. Prior code § 14.03]



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Dog Parks

Dog Parks in Manitowoc

Get some exercise while giving your pet exercise in these four designated dog run areas of parks.

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Lower Schuette Park

3800 Broadway Street

Please keep your dog on a leash as you explore the trails in Lower Schuette Park. Enjoy the nature and scenery by the Manitowoc River with your furry friend.

[Park Map Here](#)

East Manitou Park

2901 Michigan Avenue

Please keep your dog on a leash as you walk through the nature of Manitou Park.

[Park Map Here](#)

Indian Creek Park

701 Albert Drive

Take your dog for a walk on a leash on the southwest side of Indian Creek Park. The dog park is not part of the disc golf course.

[Park Map Here](#)

Blue Rail Trail by the Marina

485 Maritime Drive

Walk along the blue rail towards the lake and find a fenced in area to let your dog off the leash and run around with other dogs. Disposal bags and containers are available to use to clean up after your dog.

[Park Map Here](#)

Mariners Trail

Extends along the lake from Manitowoc to Two Rivers

Take your dog along the lake for a long walk or run on the Mariners Trail. Please keep your dog on a leash as there are many people who use the trail. Along the trail you will find bags and disposal containers to use to clean up after your dog.

[Mariners Trail Info](#)

*As always, please clean up after your pooch.



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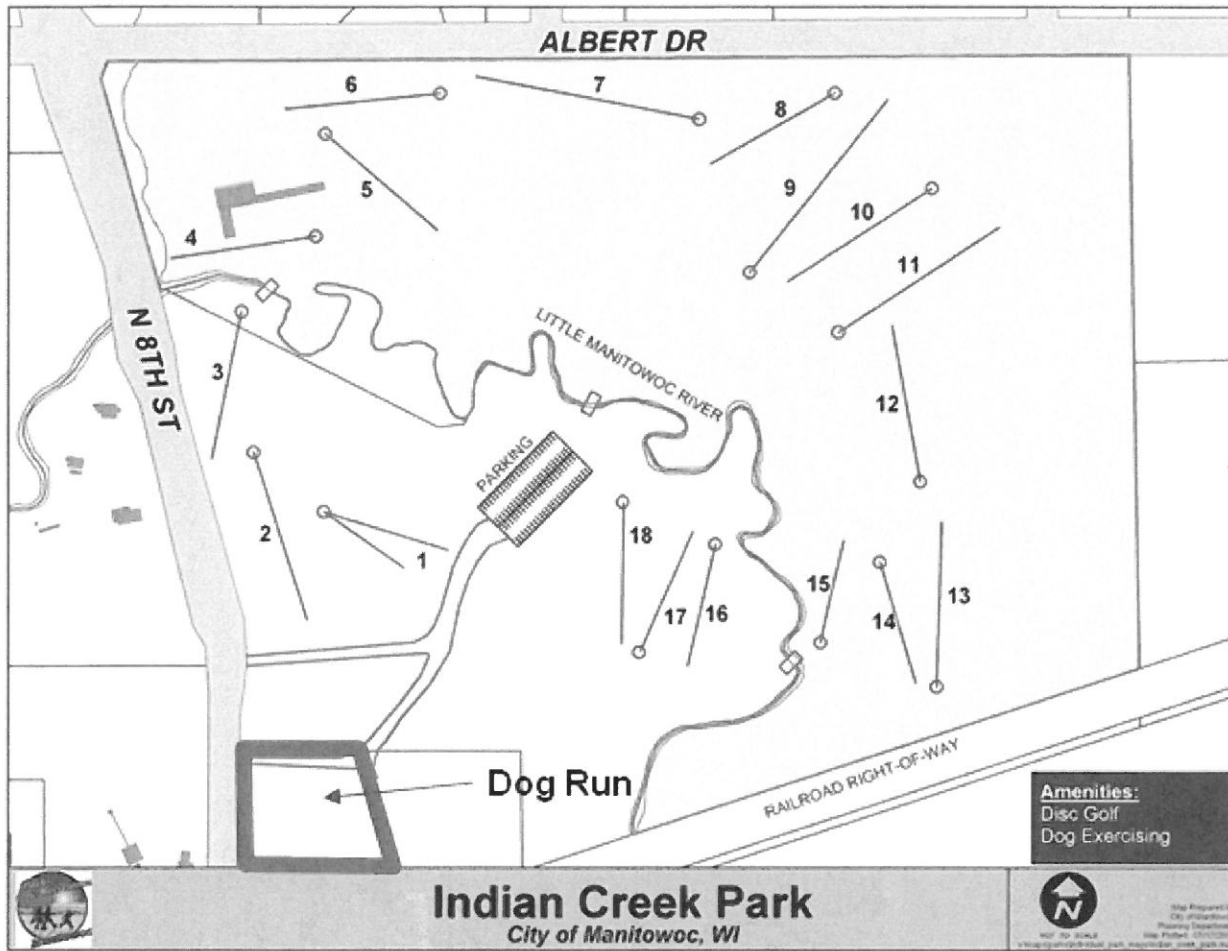
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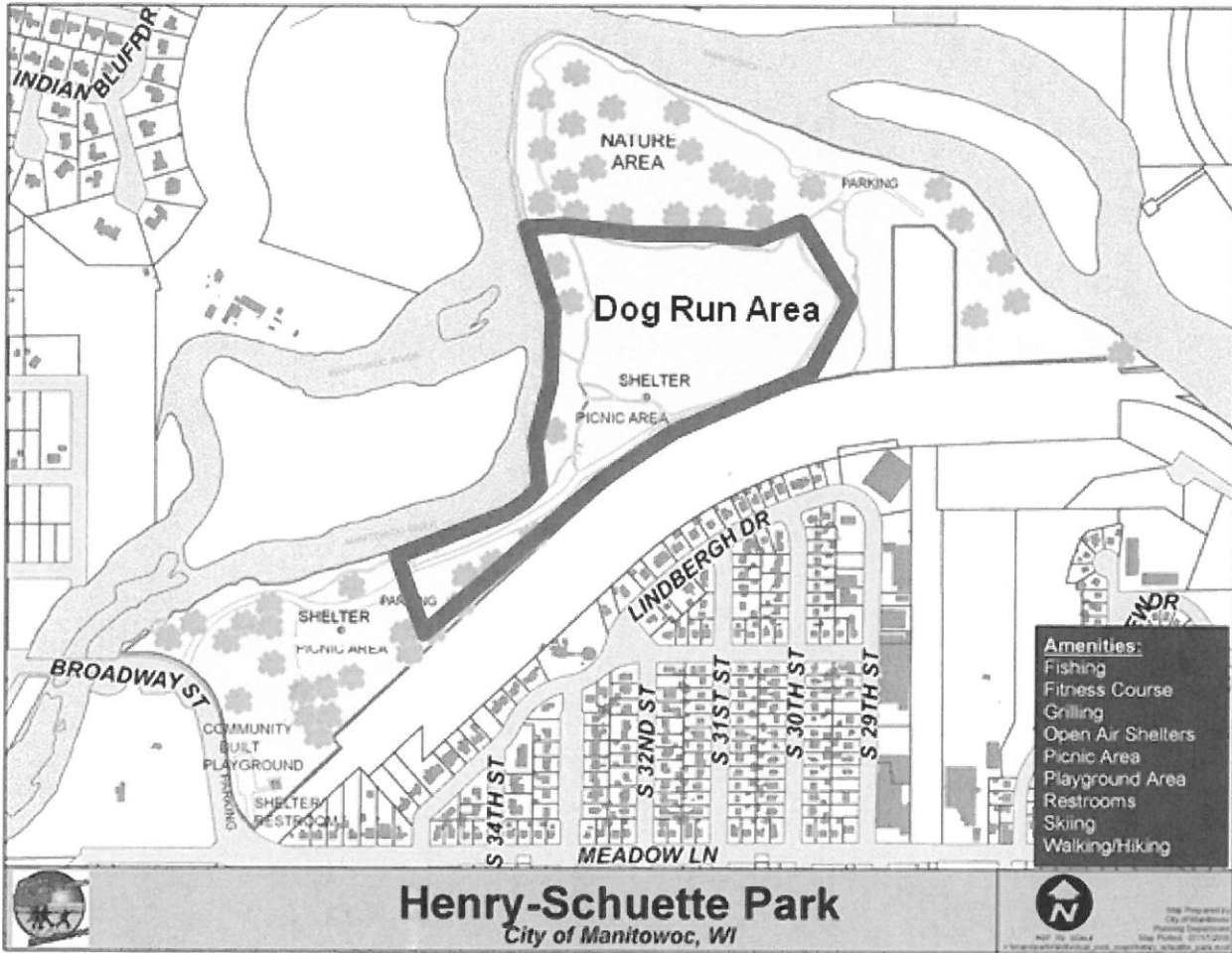
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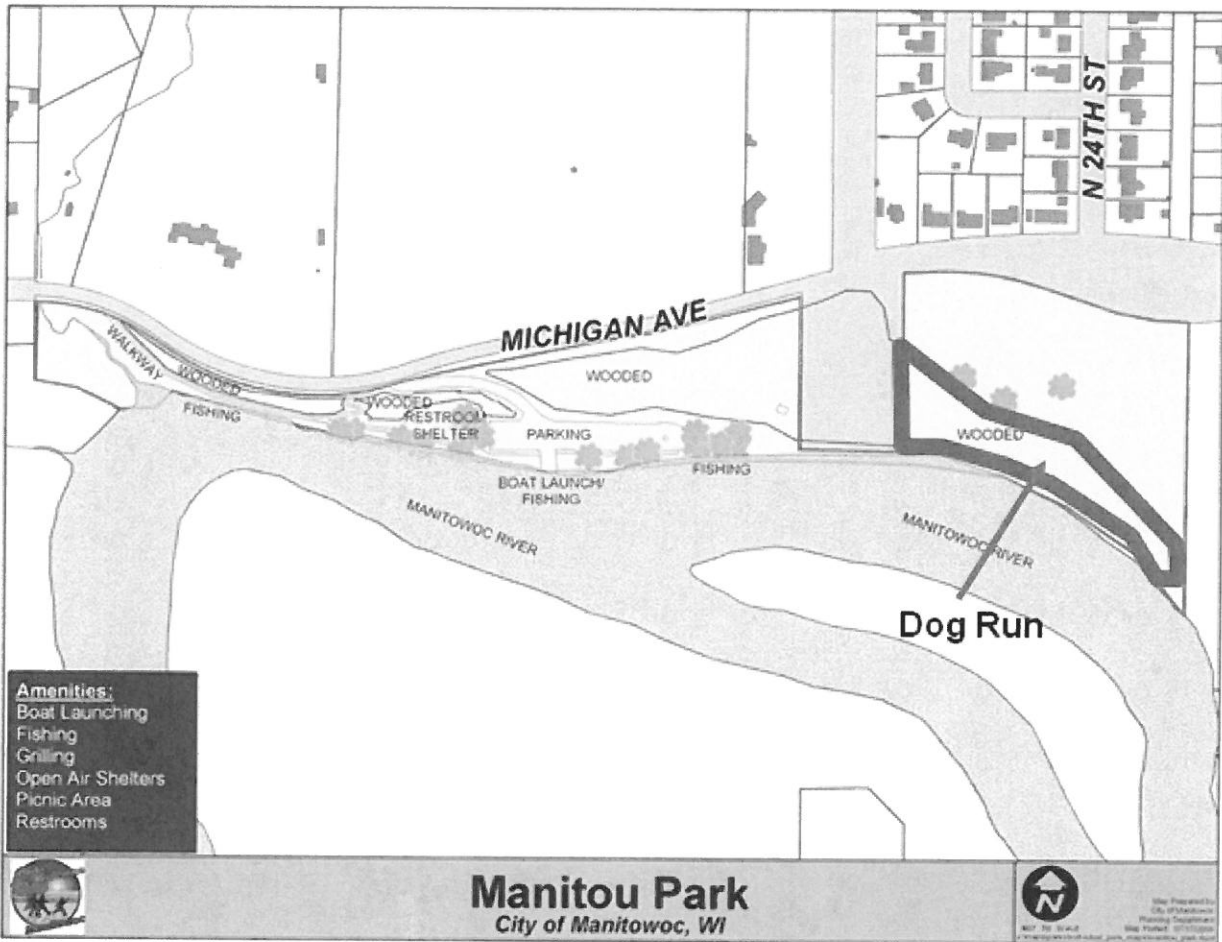
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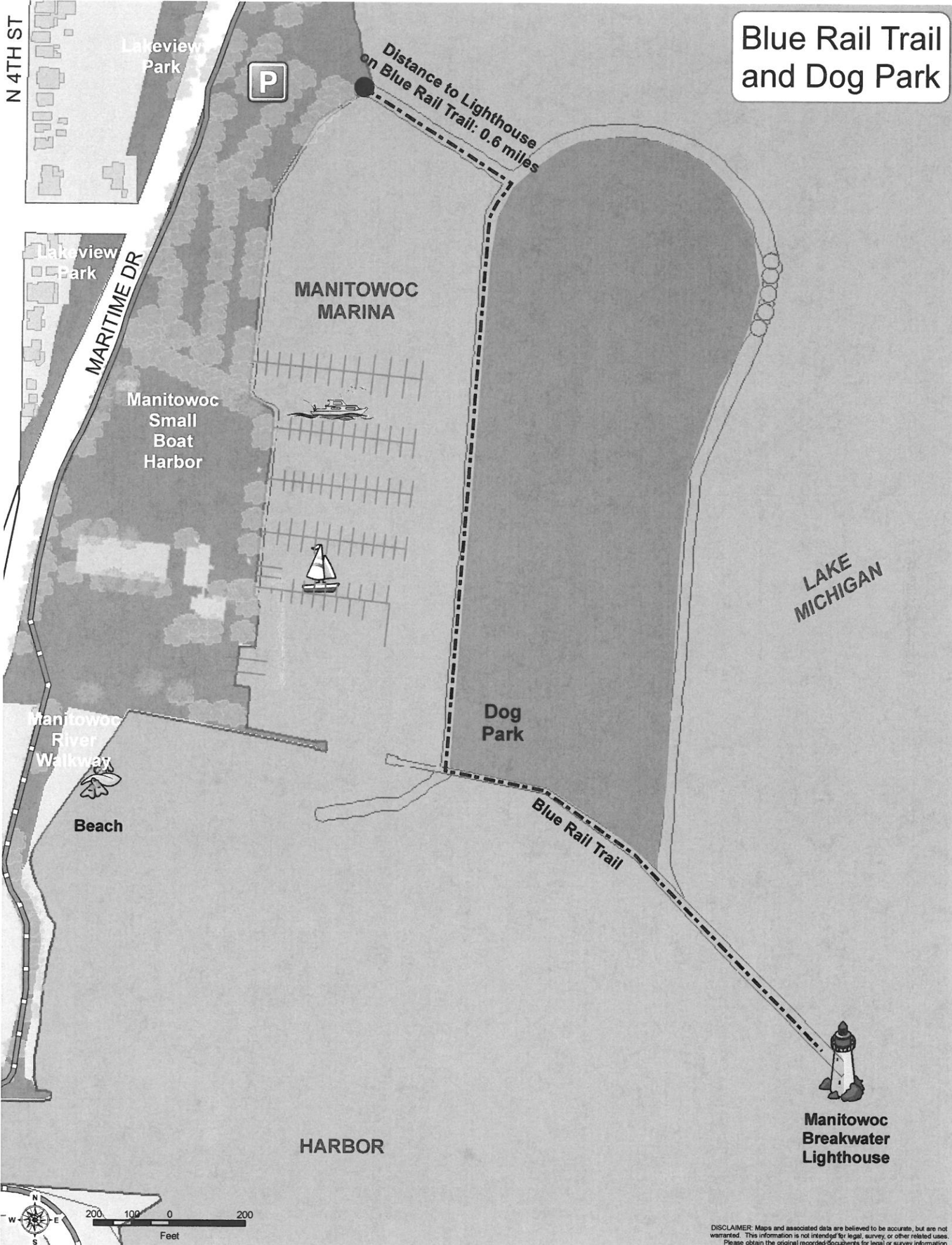


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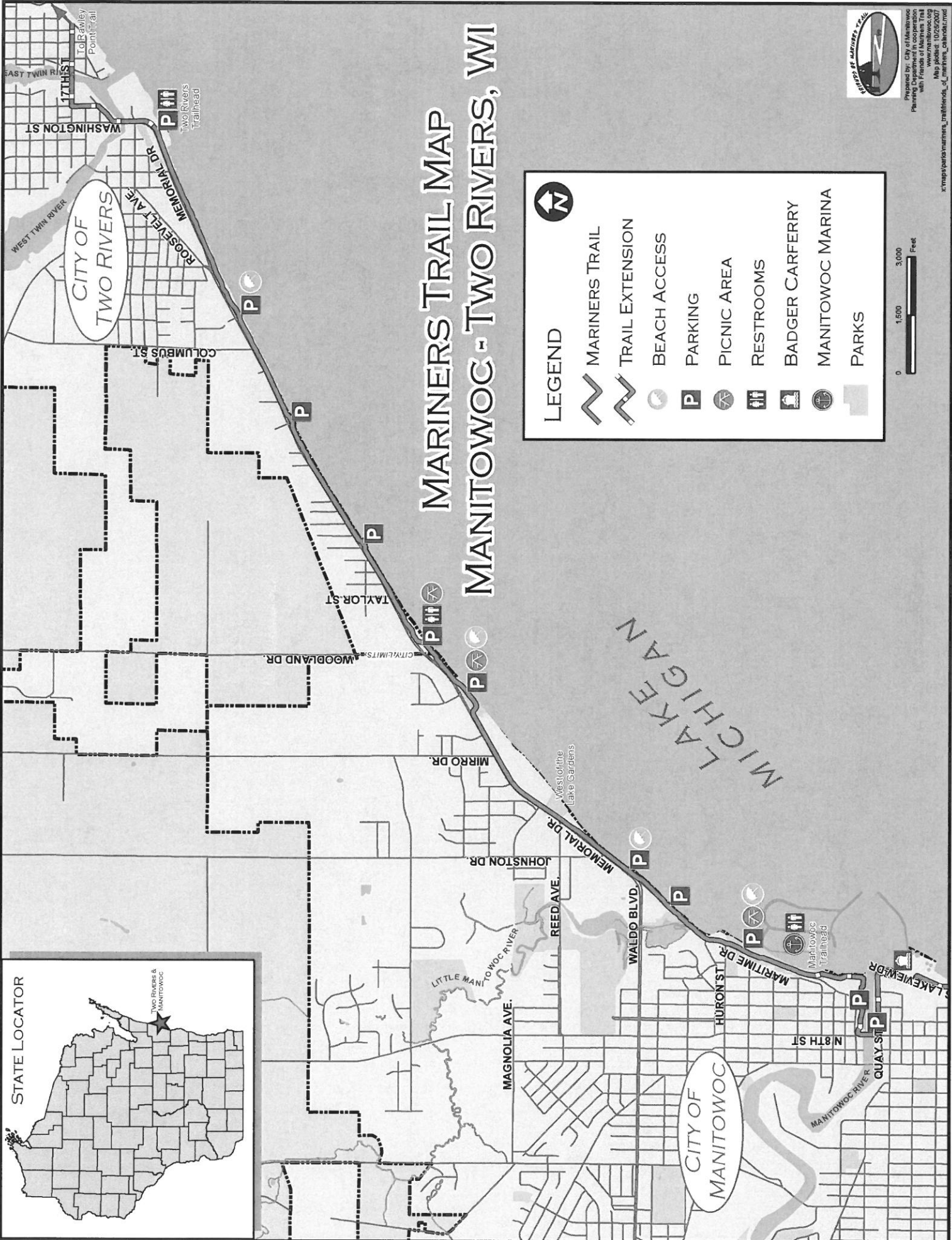


Blue Rail Trail and Dog Park



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MARINERS TRAIL MAP MANITOWOC - TWO RIVERS, WI



LEGEND

- MARINERS TRAIL
- TRAIL EXTENSION
- BEACH ACCESS
- PARKING
- PICNIC AREA
- RESTROOMS
- BADGER CARFERRY
- MANITOWOC MARINA
- PARKS



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