

# Washtenaw Wanderers Volkssporting Club's

## Seasonal Event Y2462

April 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30th

## Grand Haven, Michigan



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# **Grand Haven, Michigan**

## **This event supports only the Online Start Box (OSB)**

Please use the Online Start Box to register and complete the event. The sponsoring club only receives credit for OSB participation when an OSB registration has been completed online by entering your participation date, distances, and any special programs using the OSB.

## **START/FINISH LOCATION:**

City Parking Lot, 225 Franklin Avenue, Grand Haven, MI 49417

GPS coordinates: Latitude 43.06303, Longitude -86.2304

## **DRIVING DIRECTIONS:**

**From northbound US 31:** Take a slight left turn on Franklin Ave. After crossing 3<sup>rd</sup> St., the City Parking Lot will be on your right.

**From southbound US 31:** Shortly after crossing the drawbridge turn right on Jackson St. Turn left on 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Turn right on Franklin Ave. and the City Parking Lot will be on your right.

## **PARKING:**

Parking is available in the city parking lot. If full, additional parking is available on Franklin Ave. and Washington Ave. and on side streets.

## **RESTROOMS/WATER:**

Public restrooms are available in the city parking lot facing 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Additional restrooms are available along the trail. It is recommended that you carry water as well.

## **TRAIL DESCRIPTION:**

The 5K/10K trail is on paved roads and sidewalks. It follows the waterway/boardwalk through parks and eateries on the way to the Grand Haven Lighthouses. The trail continues past Grand Haven State Park and along Lake Michigan beaches, then through residential neighborhoods. It finishes up through the downtown area and shopping district. The trail is rated 2A on the AVA alpha-numeric scale that measures the level of difficulty of elevation and terrain. The trail is suitable for strollers and wheelchairs. Pets are allowed on the trail if leashed.

## **POINT OF CONTACT:**

Tom Crabill..... Phone: (260) 409-1659 email: tjcrabill@gmail.com

# GRAND HAVEN 5K WALK DIRECTIONS

*These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.*

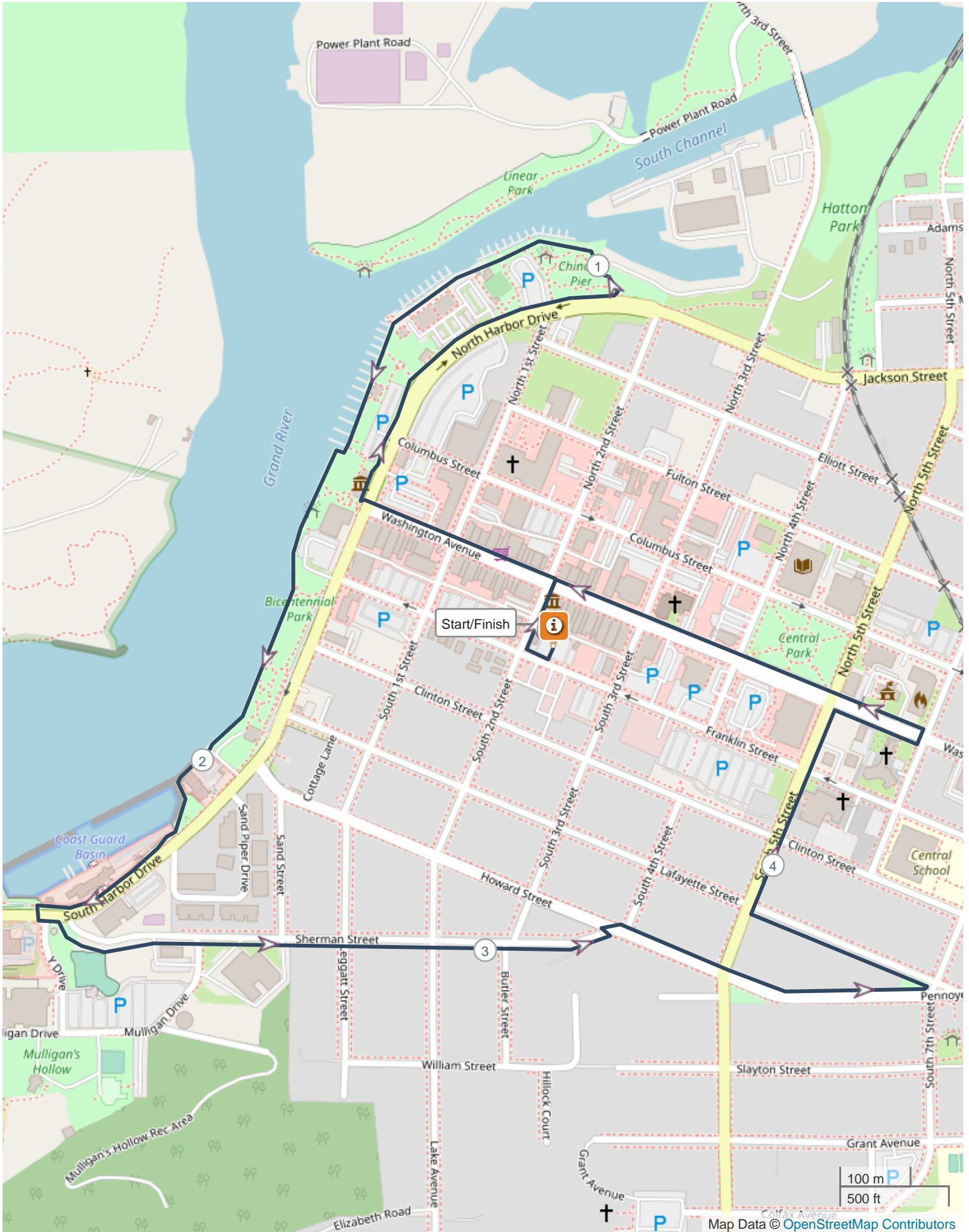
1. Leaving the **City Parking Lot, 225 Franklin Ave.** parking lot, turn **right** on Franklin Ave.
2. Immediately turn **right** on Second St. (Restrooms are on the right.)
3. Cross and turn **left** on Washington Ave.
4. Cross and turn **right** on S. Harbor Dr., following the sidewalk as it weaves along the road, until reaching the 1223 Pere Marquette train and coal tipple.
5. Turn **left** on the sidewalk and continue around the coal tipple, keeping to the right of the **playground** in Pere Marquette Park, to the waterfront walkway overlooking the marina. **(1K)**
6. Turn **left** on the walkway/boardwalk (the **Grand Haven Waterfront Trail**) and follow it along passing Lighthouse Connector Park.
7. **Continue** along the walkway passing in front of the Lynn Sherwood Waterfront Stadium, home of the **Grand Haven Musical Fountain**. (Restrooms are ahead on the left.)
8. **Continue** on the walkway taking the red ramp as it passes the US Army Corp of Engineers (light brick building). **(2K)**
9. Just past the building turn **left** and follow the red sidewalk around the US Coast Guard station. (Here is a distant view of Lake Michigan & the **Grand Haven Lighthouses**.)
10. After passing the station turn **left** on the first sidewalk to S. Harbor Ave. and carefully cross at the crosswalk.
11. Immediately turn **left** to cross Y Dr.
12. Turn **right** on the sidewalk just past the **Veterans Memorial** and follow the sidewalk up the hill along Sherman Ave. for 6 blocks to the end of the sidewalk. **(3K)**
13. Carefully cross Sherman Ave. and turn **right** to cross Howard Ave. and Fourth St. using the crosswalks, then continue on Howard Ave.
14. As Howard Ave. curves to the **left** the name changes to Pennoyer Ave.
15. At Seventh St. make a sharp **left** turn on Lafayette Ave.
16. Turn **right** on Fifth St. for 3 blocks. **(4K)**
17. Turn **right** on Washington Ave.
18. At Sixth St. turn **left** to cross Washington Ave., then turn **left** to continue on Washington Ave. in the opposite direction.
19. Cross Fifth St. and **continue** on Washington Ave. for 3 blocks.
20. Turn **left** at Second St. and carefully cross Washington Ave.
21. **Continue** on Second St. for ½ block to the alley.
22. Turn **left** into the ally and then **right** into the parking lot back to the start/finish.

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

**Lighthouses II** – Grand Haven Lighthouses  
**Par-For-The-Course** – Playground in Pere Marquette Park  
**Rails-to-Trails** – Grand Haven Waterfront Trail  
**Step to the Beat** – Grand Haven Musical Fountain  
**Walking with America's Veterans** - Veterans Memorial at  
S. Harbor & Sherman

**In case of Emergency: Dial 911**  
**Event related assistance: Tom Crabill 260-409-1659**

# Grand Haven 5K



# GRAND HAVEN 10K WALK DIRECTIONS

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1. Leaving the **City Parking Lot, 225 Franklin Ave.** parking lot, turn **right** on Franklin Ave.
2. Immediately turn **right** on Second St. (Restrooms are on the right.)
3. Cross and turn **left** on Washington Ave.
4. Cross and turn **right** on S. Harbor Dr., following the sidewalk as it weaves along the road, until reaching the 1223 Pere Marquette train and coal tipple.
5. Turn **left** on the sidewalk and continue around the coal tipple, keeping to the right of the **playground** in Pere Marquette Park, to the waterfront walkway overlooking the marina. **(1K)**
6. Turn **left** on the walkway/boardwalk (the **Grand Haven Waterfront Trail**) and follow it along passing Lighthouse Connector Park.
7. **Continue** along the walkway passing in front of the Lynn Sherwood Waterfront Stadium, home of the **Grand Haven Musical Fountain**. (Restrooms are ahead on the left)  
**Continue** on the walkway taking the red ramp as it passes the US Army Corp of Engineers (light brick building). **(2K)**
9. Just past the building turn **left** and follow the red sidewalk around the US Coast Guard station. (Looking across S. Harbor Dr. at Sherman Ave. is the **Veterans Memorial**.)
10. After passing the station turn **right** on the narrow road back to the waterfront walkway.
11. Turn **left** on the walkway at Kelly Park and continue until reaching the pier ramp with the **Grand Haven Lighthouses** ahead. **(3K)**
12. Turn **around** and retrace your steps back on the walkway past the campground and parking lot.
13. Just beyond the chain-link fence turn **right** on the sidewalk to S. Harbor Dr.
14. Turn **right** on at S. Harbor Dr.
15. Take the crosswalk to **cross** the beach entry lane to continue on the sidewalk along S. Harbor Dr. with the Grand Haven State Park beach and Lake Michigan on your right. **(4K)**
16. When S. Harbor Dr. ends **(5K)** turn **left** going up the hill on Grand Ave.
17. Turn **right** on Gladys Ave. **(6K)** and follow as it loops back to Grand Ave.
18. Turn **right** on Grand Ave.
19. Turn **left** on Wisconsin Ave. for 3 blocks
20. Turn **right** on Taylor Ave. **(7K)**
21. Turn **left** on Sheldon Rd. for 8 blocks, if interested, a **Labyrinth** is located behind the United Methodist Church of the Dunes at 717 Sheldon Rd.
22. Turn **left** on Howard Ave. **(8K)**
23. At Fourth St. cross Howard Ave. and turn **right** to continue on Howard Ave. in the opposite direction.
24. As Howard Ave. curves to the **left** the name changes to Pennoyer Ave.
26. At Seventh St. make a sharp **left** turn on Lafayette Ave.
26. Turn **right** on Fifth St. for 4 blocks. **(9K)**
27. Turn **right** on Columbus Ave. (no street sign, at Life Church).
28. Turn **right** on Sixth St.
29. Turn **right** on Washington Ave.
30. After crossing Fifth St. angle **right** towards the fountain.
31. Turn **right** and do a counter clockwise  $\frac{3}{4}$  turn around Central Park Fountain.
32. Angle **right** back to Washington Ave.
31. **Continue** on Washington Ave. for 2 blocks.
32. Turn **left** on Second St. and carefully cross Washington Ave.
33. **Continue** on Second St. for  $\frac{1}{2}$  block to the alley.
34. Turn **left** into the alley and the **right** into the parking lot back to the start/finish.

**Option:** You may want to continue out to the lighthouses but you will have to come back to this point to continue the walk. **Be extremely careful when walking on the pier and be aware of wind and weather conditions at all times.**

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**A-MAZE-ing Labyrinths** – United Methodist Church of the Dunes, 717 Sheldon Rd.

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# Washtenaw Wanderers Volkssporting Club

## 2026 Year-Round Events:

Lansing - Capital

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## 2026 Seasonal Events:

### **April 1<sup>st</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup>**

Ann Arbor-Downtown & Argo Park

### **April 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup>**

Grand Haven

Holland

Mackinac Island

Mackinaw City

Marquette

Northville-ITC Trail

Port Huron

Saint Joseph

Sault Ste Marie

South Haven

South Lyon

### **April 1<sup>st</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>**

Maybury State Park

### **April 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>**

Frankenmuth

### **May 1<sup>st</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>**

Westland Hines Parkway Trail

### **June 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup>**

William C Sterling State Park

### **September 1<sup>st</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>**

Island Lake State Recreation Area

Also, check on the Washtenaw Wanderers Volkssporting (Walking) Club Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/washtenawwanderers/](http://www.facebook.com/washtenawwanderers/) for additional opportunities to do informal walks on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.