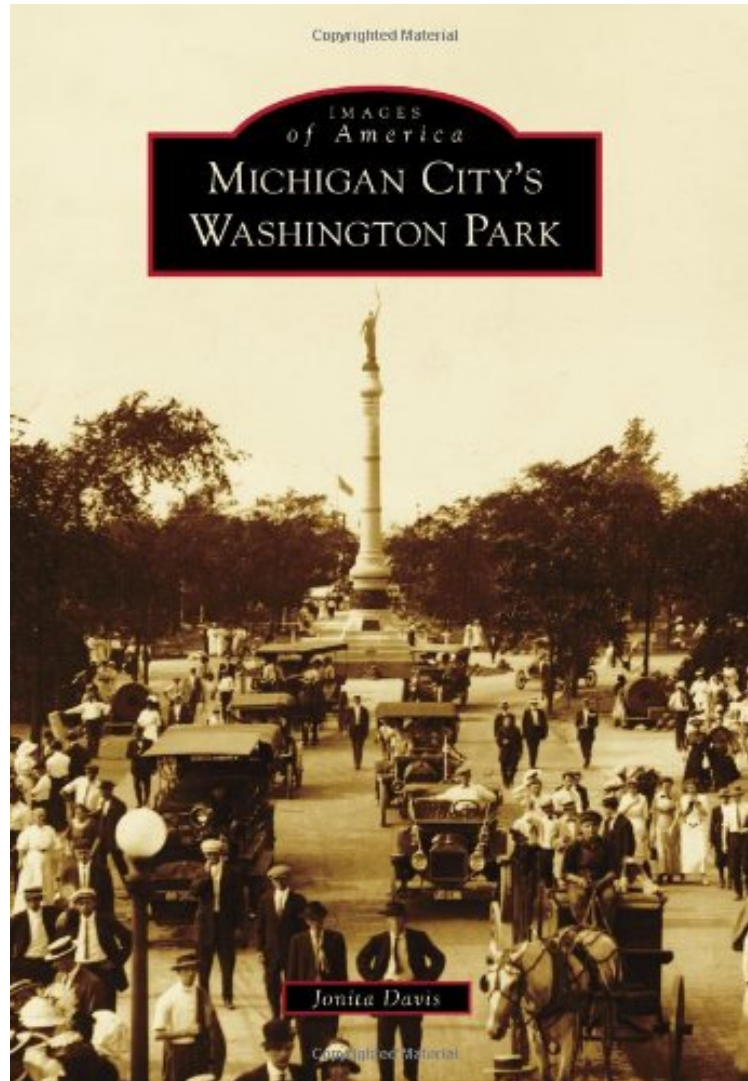


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**Jonita Davis : Michigan City's Washington Park (Images of America Series)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Michigan City's Washington Park (Images of America Series):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Disappointing in my opinionBy Stephen CanterburyShort book which is as much about Michigan City's history as it is about the Amusement Park. These books are, of course, mostly photographs and I knew that when I purchased it. I only rated it a single star because you can find photos on Michigan City's website that are in my opinion as informative as this book. Really hoped to find information on the fire in 1915 such as the date of the fire, its cause, and how the park was rebuilt.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful.

MemoriesBy Snow IN AZThis book brings back wonderful memories of my summer visits to Washington Park. I still live in Michigan City and most of what is pictured in this book is gone, so to have this book is like having a scrapbook of the glory days of Washington Park. The book falls in nicely with the other "Michigan City" history books by Arcadia Publishing.

The sand dunes stretched higher than many skyscrapers, with the remnants of an abandoned lumber industry at their feet. The sandy, overgrown land was nothing that Michigan City residents cared to develop, let alone visit. The area was largely forgotten until Mayor Martin Krueger decided that his town would have a park and bathing beach. In a few short years, the deserted area was transformed into a family amusement center on Lake Michigans southern shores. These beginnings helped shape the Michigan City community. However, the lakeside park and bathing beach of today barely resemble the famous amusement area of the early 1900s. Somewhere along this towns history, its greatest asset of that early timeits amusement parktransformed into a natural beauty that is still treasured by families today, though nostalgia remains for the park of the past. Michigan Citys Washington Parks traces those lost amusement years with images and the complete amazing tale, from the building of the large wooden roller coaster with a lake view to the communal turn toward a nature park.

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