

GOAL PR 1 **Opportunities:** Plan, develop, and enhance recreation opportunities to meet the needs of community members of all ages, abilities, cultures, and incomes.



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- POLICY PR 1.1 **Recreational network.** Provide a comprehensive network of recreation opportunities that address the needs and abilities of diverse communities.
- POLICY PR 1.2 **Distribution of recreation opportunities.** Disperse the types and sizes of recreation opportunities throughout the city in proportion to the population of the area.
- POLICY PR 1.3 **Recreational opportunities growth.** Increase recreation opportunities consistent with the city’s population growth while maintaining a balance between active* and passive recreation*.
- POLICY PR 1.4 **Indoor recreational facilities.** Increase indoor recreation facilities and valued community gathering spaces.
- POLICY PR 1.5 **Interim recreational uses.** Allow for the interim use of vacant and underutilized private parcels throughout the city for community member-initiated and -managed recreation opportunities, where appropriate.
- POLICY PR 1.6 **Health, education, and wellness.** Promote health, education, and community wellness through expanded recreation opportunities.
- POLICY PR 1.7 **Educational institution coordination.** Coordinate with School Districts and other educational institutions* in the acquisition, development*, and maintenance of combined park and school sites wherever desired, feasible, and mutually agreeable to both parties.
- POLICY PR 1.8 **Partnerships for planning, development, and maintenance.** Create partnerships within the City and with other public agencies, the private sector, organizations, property owners, and residents on recreation planning, development*, and maintenance.
- POLICY PR 1.9 **Update recreation plans.** Continue to revise and update recreation plans in response to changing conditions and emerging trends to ensure that the needs of a growing community and diverse population are met.

* Asterisks indicate terms with specific definitions included at the end of this section.

GOAL PR 2 **Connectivity:** Create a citywide network of safe, interconnected recreation opportunities.

POLICY PR 2.1 **Active transportation network.** Create a network of interconnected trails and on-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities to extend the active transportation* network, expand recreation opportunities, and to increase connectivity between recreation opportunities.

POLICY PR 2.2 **Transit connectivity.** Utilize transit to improve connections to recreation opportunities and fill gaps between them.

POLICY PR 2.3 **Greenways, trails, and waterway recreation.** Pursue the expansion of greenways*, trails, and waterway recreation through and around the city to serve both as recreation resources and viable transportation alternatives. As new development*, redevelopment*, or other opportunities occur, pursue the creation of public access easements.

POLICY PR 2.4 **Public safety and emergency access.** Incorporate public safety and emergency access measures in the planning, design, and management of greenways*, open space, and trails.

GOAL PR 3 **Ecology:** Strive for recreation opportunities that preserve and promote ecological health.

POLICY PR 3.1 **Ecological preservation and restoration.** Incorporate the preservation and restoration of wetland, riparian, and upland wildlife habitats to safeguard sensitive environmental areas and wildlife corridors when designing and developing recreation opportunities.

POLICY PR 3.2 **Eco-conscious management.** Integrate the development*, operation, and maintenance of indoor and outdoor recreation opportunities to reduce energy, water, and chemical use, and support a wide variety of species.

GOAL PR 4 **Funding:** Facilitate funding for land acquisition, recreation development*, operations, and maintenance.

POLICY PR 4.1 **Construct recreation to City standards.** Require that recreation opportunities are constructed to current City standards.

POLICY PR 4.2 **Development contributions.** Pursue proportional contributions from new development* and redevelopment* for the expansion of public recreation opportunities.

POLICY PR 4.3 **Funding methodologies.** Adopt additional funding methodologies, as needed for new development* and redevelopment* to adequately fund the expansion of recreation opportunities.

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POLICY PR 4.4 **Creative funding strategies.** Pursue creative and flexible funding strategies for the operations and maintenance of existing and new recreation resources.

DEFINITIONS

Active Recreation: A type of recreation or activity that generally requires the use of designated areas and structure improvements, including, but not limited to, sports fields and courts, indoor and outdoor aquatic facilities, exercise facilities, and various forms of structured play equipment and facilities.

Active Transportation: Any form of human-powered transportation – walking, bicycling, the use of strollers, wheelchairs/mobility devices, in-line skating, and skateboarding.

Development: Any man-made change to real property in the City, including but not limited to construction or installation of a building or other structure; major site alterations such as grading or paving; or improvements for use as parking. Vegetation removal outside the boundaries of a Significant Natural Resource Area is not development.

Educational Institutions: Public and private entities that provide instructional or education-related services to individuals and/or other educational institutions.

Greenways: A linear, vegetated open space typically associated with a naturally occurring corridor such as a stream or river, set aside for recreational use and/or natural resource protection.

New Development: Development of a site that was previously unimproved or that has had previously existing buildings demolished.

Passive Recreation: Low-intensity recreational areas and activities that are generally non-structured in their design, including, but not limited to, walking and hiking paths, open fields and lawn areas, picnic facilities, nature viewing areas, and natural areas.

Redevelopment: Construction of new structures, expansion or change of existing structures or building footprints, reconfiguration of existing driveways or parking, and site grading related to such additions, changes, or reconfigurations.

REVIEW HISTORY

Date	Reviewed By
7.1.15	Internal Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
9.15.15	Internal Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
10.12.15	Internal Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
10.27.15	Parks and Recreation Commission – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
12.10.15	Technical Advisory Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
12.10.15	Citizen Advisory Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
1.12.16	Parks and Recreation Commission – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
1.21.16	Citizen Advisory Committee – <i>No Comments</i>
2.23.16	Planning Commission – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
4.28.16	Citizen Advisory Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>

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5.11.16	Planning Commission – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
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8.19.16	City Manager – <i>Comments Incorporated</i> Note: Document retitled to Parks & Recreation in subsequent drafts

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