

8.1 GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES

8.1.1 Introduction

The appearance and quality of City facilities can greatly impact the quality of life within the community. Because of the significant number of citizens who generally come in contact with the recreation program facilities, it is apparent that their condition and appearance will have a direct impact on their utilization. Therefore, in order to improve conditions and appearance of Parks and Recreation Facilities, the following goals, objectives and policies should be accomplished during the next five years.

GOAL 1: The City of Hallandale Beach shall continue to upgrade public park and recreation facilities in an effort to assure a positive quality of life for all residents of the City.

OBJECTIVE 1.1: The City shall establish a Parks and Recreation Improvement Plan in 2010 which explores the park and recreational needs of the community. This plan will be updated annually.

POLICY 1.1.1: The City shall institute parks and recreation facility planning which has been identified in the Parks and Recreation Improvement Plan to meet the needs of the community.

POLICY 1.1.2: The City shall maintain and enhance recreation and open space by implementing a recreation open space standard of 4 acres per 1,000 permanent residents as contained in the City's Comprehensive Plan and the Broward County Land Use Plan. For the purpose of calculating this ratio, ~~47.4~~ 37.92 acres (roughly 40 percent) of the Golden Isles Waterway and the entire Chaves Lake water body shall not be included in the inventory.

POLICY 1.1.3: The City shall continue to coordinate public and private resources to ensure the recreational and open space needs of all City residents are met.

POLICY 1.1.4: The City shall continue to only permit those uses within designated park and recreation areas that are identified in Section 2.3 of the Future Land Use Element for Public Parks.

OBJECTIVE 1.2: The City shall implement annually a comprehensive replacement

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program for parks and recreation related capital items and facilities.

POLICY 1.2.1: The City shall identify and then replace or renovate obsolete or deteriorated parks and recreation facilities within five years.

OBJECTIVE 1.3: The City shall continue to prepare manuals, checklists and schedules with standards for maintenance of parks and recreation facilities to ensure that facilities and capital items are continuously in working order.

POLICY 1.3.1: The City shall provide for recreation and open space programs within its five (5) year Capital Improvement Program.

OBJECTIVE 1.4: The City shall continue to enhance the amount and quality of recreational and open space areas and opportunities to provide for the existing and future needs of the community.

POLICY 1.4.1: The City shall pursue additional land areas for Recreation and Open Space uses, through either acquisition, redevelopment, lease arrangement, or acceptance of dedication.

POLICY 1.4.2: The City shall continue to explore the feasibility of bikeways, pathways, internal connections, and walkable streets that lead to and around park and recreation facilities within the City.

POLICY 1.4.3: Ample and secure bicycle parking shall be provided at schools, libraries and park and recreation facilities throughout the City.

POLICY 1.4.4: The City shall insure that park and recreation facilities are accessible to the elderly and persons with disabilities, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

GOAL 2: The City shall continue to identify the recreational program needs of the community.

OBJECTIVE 2.1: The City shall continue to institute appropriate programs and add new programs as needed.

POLICY 2.1.1: The City shall identify new programs to meet the needs of City residents that are identified in the City's Strategic Planning Process.

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OBJECTIVE 2.2: The City shall continue to promote public awareness of Parks and Recreation programs and activities through the distribution of public information highlighting park programs and facilities.

POLICY 2.2.1: The City shall develop and distribute brochures, and special event flyers to citizens, and utilize local news media to promote recreational programs.

GOAL 3: The City shall develop balanced and stable sources of revenue for park and recreation facilities.

OBJECTIVE 3.1: The City shall continue to implement an equitable system of fees and charges for use of public recreation and open space facilities.

POLICY 3.1.1: The City shall make periodic review of comparable services in the area (other local governments as well as the private sector) to determine recommended fees and charges.

OBJECTIVE 3.2: The City shall research alternative funding sources on an ongoing basis for recreation and open space.

POLICY 3.2.1: Donations and grants shall continue to be pursued to offset some of the costs for the purchase and/or development of new recreation and open space.

POLICY 3.2.2: The City shall continue to enforce through its Codes and Ordinances that development provide for or pay its fair share of the Cost of providing for the recreational needs of the City's residents through the development review process.

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