

➤ Recreation and Open Space Element

GOAL: Ensure provision of a high quality parks and recreation system, with facilities and open space to meet the varied leisure needs of all Maitland residents.



Lake Lily Park

OBJECTIVE 1: Provide and maintain an adequate inventory of land, with an equitable geographic distribution, to meet public recreation space needs.

POLICY 1.1: The City shall provide for adequate park land to serve the Maitland citizens.

STANDARD 1.1.1: Provide 2.5 acres of neighborhood park space per thousand residents.

STANDARD 1.1.2: Provide 2.5 acres of community park space per thousand residents.

POLICY 1.2: The City shall ensure that no park land is diverted to other uses except in instances of overriding public interest, in which case the park land shall be effectively replaced to maintain the adopted level of service.

STANDARD 1.2.1: Within development regulations and administrative procedures, include provisions to achieve this intent.

STANDARD 1.2.2: In coordination with the Heritage Lands process, designate park lands for preservation.

POLICY 1.3: The City shall acquire or otherwise provide a balanced neighborhood park system west of I-4 to accommodate future annexations consistent with City standards.

STANDARD 1.3.1: Land banking to reserve this site is an alternative.

STANDARD 1.3.2: By the end of December, 2010, gain adequate land west of I-4, per adopted standards.

STANDARD 1.3.3: By the end of December 2015, complete improvements for balanced neighborhood park system west of I-4.

POLICY 1.4: The City shall review and revise development regulations to implement adopted standards for the parks and open space system.

STANDARD 1.4.1: Refine the City's existing mandatory dedication system (Maitland Code, Section 16-45) including but not limited to establishment of a separate recreation trust fund for fees collected, and upgrading of criteria relative to land to be accepted, by December 2006.

STANDARD 1.4.2: Not less than once every five years, address the Landscape Code.

POLICY 1.5: The City shall explore and determine the feasibility of acquiring properties adjacent to existing park sites as part of an overall master plan for the park system.

STANDARD 1.5.1: Determine the feasibility of acquiring land adjacent to Lake Sybelia Point Park by the end of December, 2002.

STANDARD 1.5.2: Assess opportunities for eventual development of a second community park west of I-4, giving special attention to the property on Lake Lucien with potential to link the City's existing soccer field and Maitland Ballfield Complex by December 2005.

POLICY 1.6: Any contemplated annexation action by the City shall include careful analysis of potential impacts on the park and recreation system and related public needs.

STANDARD 1.6.1: Determine the feasibility of annexing "Area II" as identified in the Homes of Maitland, in coordination with the Inter-governmental Coordination Element, including analysis of the 7-acre site it contains for park land potential by December 2002.

OBJECTIVE 2: By the end of December, 2002, ensure provision of recreation facilities specifically suited to Maitland.

POLICY 2.1: Future park development, to the extent practicable, shall reflect adopted Local Facility Guidelines (LFG's) as a way of providing balanced recreation opportunities.

STANDARD 2.1.1: The following LFG's are accepted by the City:

Tennis Courts:	1/2,000 Residents
Baseball Fields:	1/3,000
Softball Fields:	1/5,000
Football/Soccer Fields:	1/5,000
Racquetball Courts:	1/5,000
Basketball Courts:	1/5,000
Swimming Pool:	1/20,000
Play Apparatus Area:	1/1,500
Bicycle Route:	1 Mile/5,000
Jogging/Walking Trail:	1 Mile/5,000
Picnicking:	1 Table/300
Recreation Center:	1/20,000
Boat Ramps:	1/7,500
Parcourse:	1 10-station course/10,000

STANDARD 2.1.2: Prepare a feasibility study to validate need for a Municipal Recreation Center and if need is confirmed, proceed with program development, site identification, funding, and construction by December, 2008.

STANDARD 2.1.3: To accommodate the growth experienced in the Senior's programs provide a feasibility study to determine future needs.

STANDARD 2.1.4: Consistent with the adopted level of service standards, perform a feasibility study to determine the need for a swimming pool facility for residents accommodating uses such as life safety classes, swimming teams both municipal or through the neighborhood schools, and training classes.

POLICY 2.2: The City shall provide a balanced use of facilities involving public input to meet the needs of the Maitland citizenry.

STANDARD 2.2.1: Continue to extend the use of all publicly provided fields and courts by expanding the time of operations for the non-neighborhood parks.

POLICY 2.3: The City shall establish design criteria to be used in the development of parks in order to buffer adjacent uses and provide uniformity to the system.

STANDARD 2.3.1: Maintain park design criteria in accordance with the Park Design Guidelines, dated April, 1992.

STANDARD 2.3.2: Evaluate all existing sites relative to adjacent land uses by the end of December, 2002 and implement appropriate buffering by the end of December, 2003. Minnehaha Park is recommended as a pilot project to be completed by the end of December, 2004.

STANDARD 2.3.3: Include accessibility for all (including handicapped, elderly, young children and others with special mobility needs) as a design criteria for new facilities.

OBJECTIVE 3: Make best use of all existing recreation sites and facilities to ensure efficient and effective service delivery to all citizens.

POLICY 3.1: The City shall prepare survey drawings (including topography, boundaries, vegetation and site features) as needed for existing public recreation sites, consistent with Policy 3.7.

STANDARD 3.1.1: Include funding in capital improvements program to complete surveys as needed for park sites, unless all sites have been documented.

POLICY 3.2: The City shall allocate sufficient funding from General Fund to adequately supervise and maintain existing park and recreation facilities in order to protect the City's public investment.

STANDARD 3.2.1: Maintain facilities to original functional standards or replace.

STANDARD 3.2.2: Budget necessary funding annually to maintain bicycle/pedestrian facilities.

POLICY 3.3: The City shall evaluate and reassess the ability of existing sites and facilities to meet changing needs of the populace at least every 5 years, beginning in 1993.

STANDARD 3.3.1: Using a standardized instrument to monitor trends, conduct an annual "User Assessment Survey", beginning in 1991, to obtain feedback on programs and facilities offered, and to identify unmet needs and/or demands.

STANDARD 3.3.2: Beginning in 1991, initiate accurate user counts for programming, special events and other forms of leisure system utilization to increase knowledge of user preferences, types and levels of demand, etc.

POLICY 3.4: The City shall assign high priority to the safety of public park users.

STANDARD 3.4.1: Maintain design criteria which considers personal safety for all ages.

STANDARD 3.4.2: Through close communication with users and the Maitland Police Department, maintain careful records of park-based crimes.

STANDARD 3.4.3: Implement crime prevention programs for the park system.

POLICY 3.5: The City shall maintain a master plan for the Cultural Corridor in coordination with the Housing and Economic Elements to ensure close coordination and appropriate development of parks and recreation sites, special events, the library, Arts Center, Historical Society resources and Lake Lily and Quinn-Strong properties.

POLICY 3.6: The City shall redevelop Fort Maitland Park to increase its utility as a community boat ramp, emphasizing the need for safety, and shall provide sufficient neighborhood park space for the southern Maitland area.

STANDARD 3.6.1: Designate a neighborhood park to serve southern Maitland area by the end of December, 2006.

POLICY 3.7: The City shall develop and maintain site master plans for all existing recreation properties. Upon completion of master plan and its acceptance by Council, the master plan shall be adhered to so as to maintain the integrity of a planned park system. Any modifications to the master plan must be consistent with the goals, objectives, policies and standards of the CDP and have no negative impacts on traffic, neighborhoods, or intrinsic site resources.

STANDARD 3.7.1: Complete master plans for individual sites as follows:

- 2002: Minnehaha Park
- 2003: Hill Rec Center, O'Heir Property, Fort Maitland Park
- 2004: Bellamy Park
- 2005: Sybelia Beach

POLICY 3.8: The City shall include the necessary facility improvements for park sites to implement completed master plans.

STANDARD 3.8.1: In capital improvements program, include park improvements for at least one park annually, consistent with master plans.

OBJECTIVE 4: Make all recreation sites as accessible as possible to all citizens by the end of December, 2002.

POLICY 4.1: The City shall determine the feasibility of implementing a "Maitland Greenway", linking Wymore Road to the Cultural Corridor.

STANDARD 4.1.1: By the end of December, 2010, provide feasibility report to City Council, along with alternative corridor master plans, if feasible.

POLICY 4.2: The City shall use the Quality Neighborhood Program in coordination with the Housing Element to fund and implement sidewalk programs throughout the City.

POLICY 4.3: In coordination with Traffic Circulation Element, the City shall maintain a Bikeway Master Plan.

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POLICY 4.5: The City shall locate new parks and recreation facilities centrally in the area to be served whenever possible.

STANDARD 4.5.1: Establish criteria to accomplish this in development regulations.

POLICY 4.6: The City shall retrofit all existing leisure sites for handicapped accessibility and use.

STANDARD 4.6.1: Budget funds in annual capital improvement program to achieve handicapped and senior citizens accessibility and use on at least one site per year.

STANDARD 4.6.2: Maintain handicapped and senior citizens design elements as part of master plans for park sites and City facilities.

OBJECTIVE 5. By the end of December 2010, improve waterfront access for all citizens through site improvements at existing park and recreation properties and careful preservation of existing opportunities, consistent with the Conservation Element.

POLICY 5.1: The City shall ensure public access to Lake Lucien, consistent with the Conservation Element.

STANDARD 5.1.1: Within master plan of Lake Lucien park, include appropriate means to access the waterfront, consistent with the Conservation Element.

POLICY 5.2: The City shall review the potential for waterfront access to all its lakes through City-owned property and private facilities and provide increased access where deemed consistent with the Conservation Element.

STANDARD 5.2.1: Complete a study of water-based recreational activities by the end of December 2002, in order to improve opportunities on the waterfront (including both swimming, and non-swimming activities such as boating, sailing, fishing, etc.).

STANDARD 5.2.2: Determine feasibility of incorporating active water access in the expansion and redevelopment of Minnehaha Park. (i.e., paddle boats, canoe, sailing, wind surfing, boat launching, etc.); and pursuant to Objective 5, determine the feasibility of water-

based recreational activities at other existing park locations with specific attention to additional active water access.

POLICY 5.3 The City shall monitor private lake front use to ensure continued viability of the City's water resources.

STANDARD 5.3.1: Maintain at least annually (including but not limited to Lake Maitland Manor and Maitland Shores apartment complexes) a water quality monitoring system consistent with the Conservation Element.

OBJECTIVE 6: Continue to increase public awareness of leisure opportunities and continually provide information to the citizens of Maitland.

POLICY 6.1: The City shall make use of marketing techniques and resources to enhance program and facility awareness of the general public.

STANDARD 6.1.1: Use of advertising media on a quarterly basis in utility billing, public areas in City buildings and through special mailings.

STANDARD 6.1.2: Include information areas as part of the master plans for park sites and the Cultural Corridor.

OBJECTIVE 7: Actively seek new funding sources, including fees and charges, to augment General Fund sources and improve leisure services.

POLICY 7.1: The City shall encourage user fees as one means for funding and regulating recreational activities.

STANDARD 7.1.1: Maintain a written fee and revenue policy to guide future decisions on what services will and will not be subject to user fees.

STANDARD 7.1.2: Continue to assess all existing department-generated revenues in order to improve revenue yield and heighten public use and enjoyment of such services.

POLICY 7.2: The City shall encourage the use of Federal, State and private funding to supplement the recreation revenues.

STANDARD 7.2.1: As needed, apply for the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP), or other appropriate State funding for parks and recreation.

STANDARD 7.2.2: Facilitate a special purpose non-profit foundation by the end of December, 2006 to allow greater private sector participation in public leisure service delivery.

STANDARD 7.2.3: Facilitate at least three public/private partnerships for leisure by the end of December, 2006.

OBJECTIVE 8: Adopt and maintain a Recreation and Open Space Capital Improvements Program consistent with the overall capital improvements program.

POLICY 8.1: Table P-1, Parks Improvements, attached hereto and incorporated herein shall be the Recreation and Open Space capital improvements program for Maitland.

STANDARD 8.1.1: Include five-year program in the adopted capital improvements program for the City, along with revenues to fund the programs.

STANDARD 8.1.2: Update Recreation capital improvements program annually to be consistent with overall capital improvements program.

POLICY 8.2: The City shall maintain a separate list of ranked leisure project needs to supplement the capital improvements program, and to take advantage of unexpected or specialized funding opportunities and to program for immediate needs by December 2002. The first program shall be:

- Analyze the South Lake Jackson Park property to determine the feasibility of filling low lying areas to establish an area large enough for a multi-purpose field.
- Establish a multi-purpose field large enough to accommodate uses such as soccer, softball, or lacrosse, through the utilization of existing park lands or through the acquisition of additional park land.

STANDARD 8.2.1: Long-range Recreation capital improvements program includes a rank order for programs in addition to projected funding year.

OBJECTIVE 9: Establish and preserve an appropriate open space system to protect public health, safety and welfare, and ensure retention of aesthetic and environmental amenities.

POLICY 9.1: City provision of open spaces, or regulation of private open spaces, shall be consistent with the goals, objectives and policies of related elements of the Comprehensive Development Plan (Land Use, Conservation, etc.).

STANDARD 9.1.1: Encourage provision of high quality open space in the private development process through various incentives in the City's development regulations, including but not limited to cluster zoning, planned unit development review, dedication of easements for public access and transfer of development rights.

POLICY 9.2: The City shall encourage multiple use of open spaces, including recreational development, but only when such use is compatible with and does not degrade the resource.

STANDARD 9.2.1: The City recognizes the value of irreplaceable natural resources and shall take appropriate action to protect the resources from degradation by adopting conservation easements or similar mechanisms to protect the areas of concern.

POLICY 9.3: Consistent with the Land Use Element, determine the feasibility of right-of way landscaping on Thistle Lane from Old Colony Lane to Mohawk Trail.

STANDARD 9.3.1: By the end of December, 2003 implement a landscaping program.

STANDARD 9.3.2: Implement a landscaping improvement plan and an improved maintenance program specifically for street rights-of-way such as Horatio Avenue, Maitland Avenue, Wymore Road, Maitland Boulevard, and 17-92.

OBJECTIVE 10: Improve coordination with all levels of government, non-profit and private sector providers to increase citizen leisure opportunities.

POLICY 10.1: The City shall negotiate cooperative use agreements for public school sites to ensure public availability of these key resources.

STANDARD 10.1.1: Continue to maintain signed agreements for all public school sites in Maitland.

POLICY 10.2: The City shall explore and utilize cooperative programs with private vendors to provide leisure services to Maitland residents.

STANDARD 10.2.1: City shall explore public/private partnership with RDV Sportsplex to satisfy resident recreation needs or Rec Center needs should they exist.

POLICY 10.3: The City shall coordinate with Orange County and the Orange County School Board where possible to provide additional recreational services.

STANDARD 10.3.1: Join with Orange County and the Orange County School Board in connecting Maitland's Wilderness Park with Howell Branch Park by the end of December, 2010 in order to create a major environmental interpretive resource for the residents and students of Maitland.

POLICY 10.4: The City shall investigate opportunities to provide joint programming with Winter Park.

STANDARD 10.4.1: By the end of December, 2003, report on use patterns and potential for joint programs.

STANDARD 10.4.2: Joint programs implemented with Winter Park by the end of December 2006 if determined feasible.

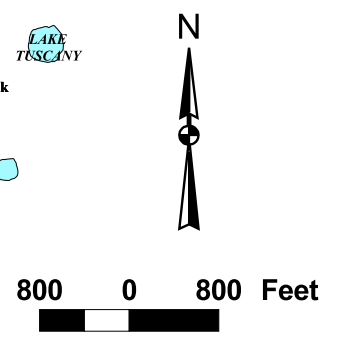
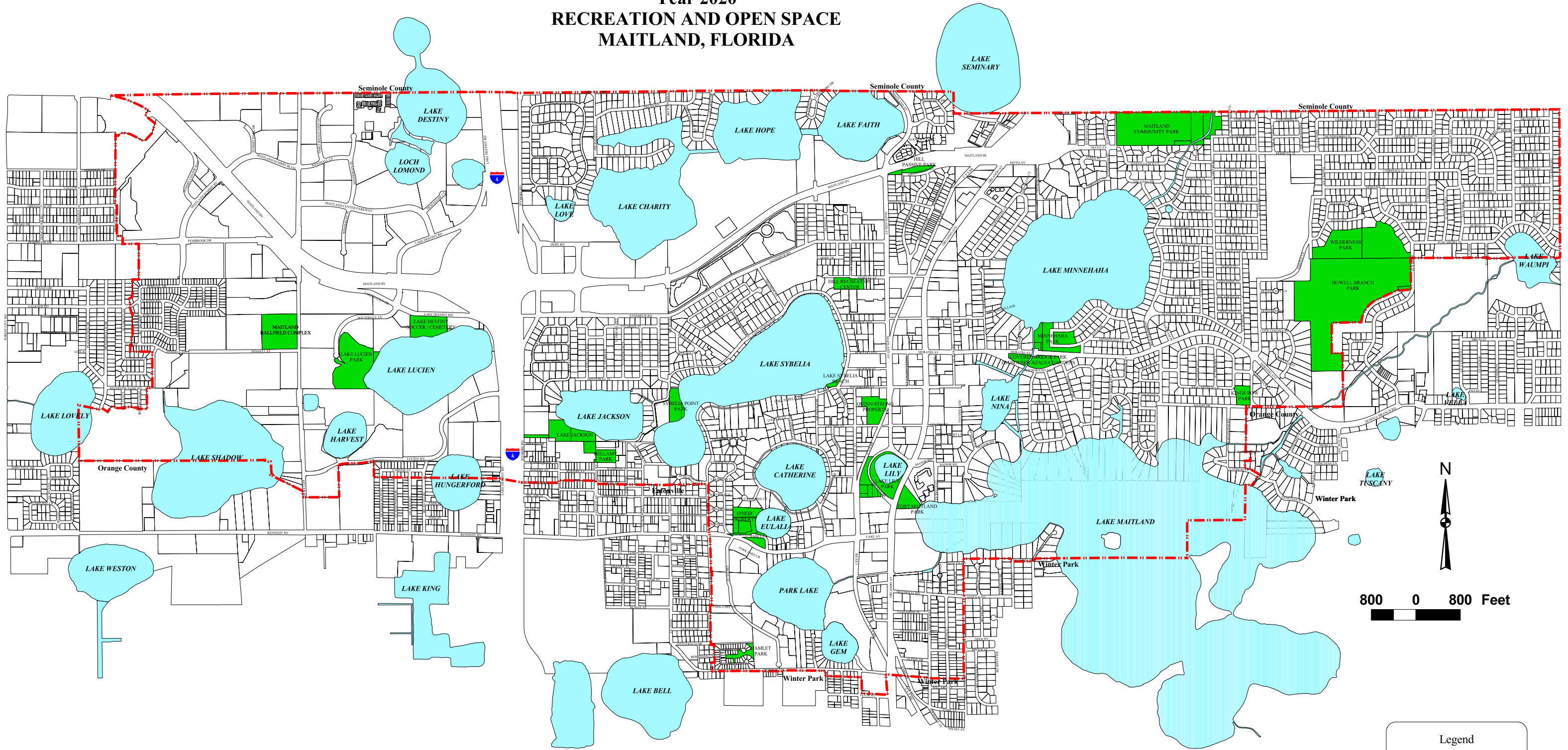


APPENDIX B
TABLE P-1
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT




Responsible Agent* and Project Name		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	TOTAL
CD/PR	Entry Features and Streetscape	\$265,000	\$165,000	\$115,000	\$130,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 700,000
PR	Parks Master Plan Implementation	\$290,000	\$166,640	\$100,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 606,640
PR	Surface Water - Irrigation	\$ 10, 700	\$ 38,200	\$ 34,400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 72,600
CD/PR	Comm./School Landscape & Rec.	\$139,517	\$ 22,721	\$ 24,841	\$ 26,082	\$ 27,385	\$ 213,161
CD/PR	Land Purchase	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$150,000	\$ 150,000
CD/PR	Irrigation Central	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 67,000	\$ 67,000
CD/PR	Control System	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CD/PR	Quinn Strong Park	\$ 90,000	\$ 93,360	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 183,360
TOTALS		\$795,217	\$485,921	\$274,241	\$206,082	\$269,385	\$1,992,761
	General Fund						
	Enterprise Fund – Solid Waste						
	Enterprise Fund - Water/Sewer						
	Impact Fees						
	Park Trust Fund	\$162,720	\$677,700	\$518,800	\$655,400	\$283,760	\$2,298,380



Future Land Use Map Series - Map 12
Year 2020
RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE
MAITLAND, FLORIDA



Legend

-  City Limits
-  Lakes
-  Recreation Open Space parcels



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 Orange County Property Appraiser GIS-2004

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Lake Lily Park

Lake Lily Park entrance sign, boardwalk, gazebo, and fountain.





Maitland Community Park



Maitland Community Park entrance and park pavilions.





Quinn Strong Park



Quinn Strong Park currently contains recreational amenities such as shuffleboard courts, picnic areas and Maitland's Senior Center.

