

Appendix 1

Facilities Inventory

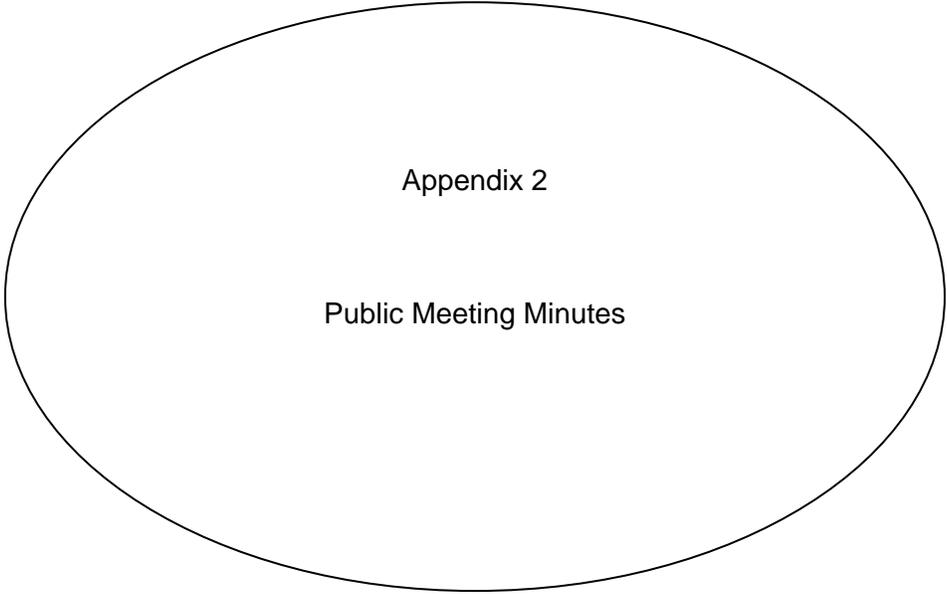
## Lake County Park Inventory

Park_No_	Acres	Name	Address	Status	Type	Class	Waterbody	Arena	Ball_field	Basketball	Beach	Boat_ramp	Comm_bldg	Dock	Exhibit	Fishing Area	Football/Soccer	Hiking Trails	Mem_museum	Picnic Area	Picnic Tables	Playground	Restrooms	Shelter	Shuffleboa	Swimming	Tennis	Volleyball	
1	0.15	ARNOLD BROTHERS BOAT RAMP	15945 SR 19, Groveland FL 32736	D	R-B	SU	PALATLAKAHA RIVER/LAKE LUCY					1				1													
2	0.25	ASTATULA BOAT RAMP	12703 Florida Avenue, Astatula FL 34705	D	R-B	SU	LITTLE LAKE HARRIS/HARRIS CHAIN					1				1													
3	10.00	ASTOR LIONS PARK	54835 Alco Rd, Astor FL 32102	D	A-B	CP			2	1						1						1	1	1	2	1	1		
4	0.23	BUTLER STREET BOAT RAMP	55400 Butler St, Astor FL 32102	D	R-B	SU	ST JOHNS RIVER					1											1						
5	3.09	CARLTON VILLAGE PARK	40201 Orange Cir, Lady Lake FL 32159	U	R-B	MP	CLEARVIEW LAKE									1				1									
6	36.09	HAINES CREEK PARK	34606 S Haines Creek Rd, Leesburg FL 34788	U	R-B	NP	HAINES CREEK/HARRIS CHAIN									1	1			1									
7	1.30	JOHNS LAKE BOAT RAMP	13620 Lake Blvd, Winter Garden FL	D	R-B	SU	JOHNS LAKE					1		1		1													
8	0.70	LAKE DALHOUSIE BOAT RAMP	37987 Burhans Rd, Eustis FL 32727	D	R-B	SU	LAKE DALHOUSIE					1																	
9	0.70	LAKE GEORGE BOAT RAMP	58300 Lake George Rd, Astor FL 32102	D	R-B	SU	LAKE GEORGE/ST JOHNS RIVER					1				1													
10	0.50	LAKE HOLLY BOAT RAMP	14421 CR 450, Umatilla FL 32784	D	R-B	SU	HOLLY CHAIN OF LAKES					1				1													
11	45.00	LAKE IDAMERE PARK	12335 CR 448, Tavares FL 32788	D		CP	LAKE IDAMERE									1				1		1	1						
12	11.00	LAKE JEM PARK AND BOAT RAMP	16141 CR 448, Tavares FL 32778	D	R-B	NP	APOPKA-BEAUCLAIRE CANAL/HARRIS CHAIN					1	1			1	1		1	1	1	1							
13	0.50	LAKE JOANNA PARK	33415 East Lake Joanna Dr, Eustis FL 32727	U	R-B	MP	LAKE JOANNA																						
14	1.65	LAKE MACK PARK	21235 Lake Drive, Deland FL 32720	D	R-B	MP	LAKE MACK				2					1				1	3	1	1				1		
15	0.50	LAKE SAUNDERS BOAT RAMP	31320 Saunder Dr, Tavares FL 32788	D	R-B	SU	LAKE SAUNDERS					1				1													
16	4.60	LAKE THOMAS COVE PARK	3020 Thomas Cove Dr, Clermont FL 32711	U	R-B	SU	THOMAS LAKE									1				1									
17	1.50	LAKE YALE BOAT RAMP - EAST	39400 Lake Yale Boat Ramp Rd, Eustis FL 32727	D	R-B	SU	LAKE YALE					1				1													
18	0.70	LAKE YALE BOAT RAMP - WEST	39800 Thomas Boat Landing Rd, Eustis FL 32727	D	R-B	SU						1																	
19	35.00	MARSH PARK AND BOAT RAMP	36545 Yale Retreat Rd, Eustis FL 32727	D	R-B	CP	LAKE YALE					1	1	1		1	1		1	1	1	1							
20	2.56	MCTUREOUS MEMORIAL PARK	42100 SR 19, Altoona FL 32702	D	A-B	CP												1	1	1	1	1	1				1		
21	0.40	MT PLYMOUTH PARK	31300 Lochmore Cir, Mt Plymouth, FL 32776	D		MP																1						1	
22	268.00	P.E.A.R. PARK	5336 University, Leesburg FL 34748	U		CP																1							
23	8.10	PAISLEY COMMUNITY PARK	24956 CR 42, Paisley FL 32767	D	A-B	CP														1	1	1	1						
24	23.00	PALATLAKAHA RIVER PARK	12325 Hull Rd, Clermont FL 32711	D	R-B	CP	PALATLAKAHA RIVER/LAKE LOUISA					1	1			1	1		1	1	1	1							
25	0.25	PEARL STREET BOAT RAMP	25140 East Pearl St, Astor FL 32102	D	R-B	SU						1	1																
26	48.00	PINE FOREST PARK	32520 SR 44, Deland FL 32720	U		CP																							
27	0.65	SCOTT PARK	25633 Aberdovedry Ave, Mt Plymouth FL 32776	D	A-B	MP																1							
28	3.38	SORRENTO PARK	31535 Church St, Sorrento FL 32776	D	A-B	NP					1									1	1	1	1				1	1	
29	4.00	SOUTH UMATILLA PARK	17107 Ball Park Rd, Umatilla FL 32784	D	A-B	NP														1	1								
30	0.23	SPARKS VILLAGE BOAT RAMP	32000 Lake Dr, Leesburg FL 34788	D	R-B	SU	LAKE HARRIS/HARRIS CHAIN					1				1				1									
31	0.38	SPRING LAKE PARK	36209 N Spring Lake Blvd, Fruitland Park FL 34731	U	R-B	MP										1													
32	4.94	SYLVAN SHORES PARK	1540 Morningside Dr, Mount Dora FL 32757	U	A-B	NP	LAKE GERTRUDE									1	1			1									
33	0.31	TROUT LAKE PARK	45 East Laurel Oack Dr, Eustis FL 32727	U	R-B	MP	TROUT LAKE													1									
34	14.50	TWIN LAKES PARK	35303 CR 473, Leesburg FL 34788	U	R-B	NP																							
35	0.75	UMATILLA VETERANS HALL	40924 US Hwy 19 N, Umatilla FL 32784	D	A-B	MP							1										1						
Totals	532.91								0	2	6	1	15	1	4	0	18	1	5	1	15	3	13	11	5	2	1	2	4

SU SPECIAL USE  
 CP COMMUNITY PARK  
 MP MINI PARK  
 NP NEIGHBORHOOD PARK  
 DP DISTRICT PARK  
 OS OPEN SPACE

D DEVELOPED  
 U UNDEVELOPED  
 P PARTIALLY DEVELOPED

A-B ACTIVITY-BASED  
 R-B RESOURCE-BASED



Appendix 2

Public Meeting Minutes

# LAKE COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN

## Public Meeting / Workshop Minutes

**National Training Center  
1099 Citrus Tower Boulevard  
Clermont FL**

**Herbert Halback, Inc.  
October 21, 2003**

The sign in sheet shows that twenty-five people signed in. They were each given a questionnaire to fill out and return before they left for the evening.

Ginger Corless, Principal with Herbert Halbeck, Inc. called the meeting/workshop to order at 6:08pm. Ms. Corless introduced all staff present. She gave an overview of what had been done up until this point and introduced Laura Minns with Herbert Halbeck who gave a Power Point presentation regarding all the information that had been collected up to this point and what the next steps would be in the completion of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. The presentation ended at 6:30pm.

Ginger Corless indicated that the room had been set up for three group/worksessions: Rails/Trails, Environmental, and Parks & Recreation. She invited those in attendance to go to one of the tables and begin the workshop around that topic. Ginger would call time and they could change to another topic/table in approximately 15 minutes.

At the end of the 25 minutes the discussions were going so well that Ms. Corless suggested that the groups continue as they were unless someone wanted to change. Few changed and the discussions continued.

Here are the items that were discussed during the worksessions for the three topics:

### **ENVIRONMENTAL LANDS WORKSHOP**

- No community development
- Connectivity to trails and/or parks
- Pocket lands, while small should be a high priority
- Use impact fees
- Need analysis of needed/available pocket lands
- High priority for recharge areas, springsheds
- Palatlahaha River to become a 'Blueway' – remove dams

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### **TRAILS WORKSHOP**

- 'Blueway' – Palatka River – remove dams
- Connect schools to trails
- Connect schools and trails to parks
- Add bike racks and water fountains
- Include shade trees
- In the Green Swamp and other environmental areas add trails to ride/walk
- Lighted Critsriem bicycle racing course
- Citrus Ridge/Four Corners area trail to Lake Louisa
- Urbanized trails
- Funding from cities
- Trails through walled developments/communities

### **PARKS & RECREATION WORKSHOP**

- Need for large active parks
- Don't forget that adults like to play also
- Need for resource based parks as recharge areas
- Adult activities – community facilities
- Fewer facilities – higher quality
- Multipurpose activities based parks / no multipurpose fields
- Balanced park system
- Equity in the park system

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- Economic development & parks go together
- 'One Stop' complexes with mix of activities (horseshoes, shuffleboard, baseball)
- Too many players – need a coordinator for all the different organizations
- A facility that can host a variety of events – (bocci ball, xtreme sports, etc)
- Standardization of Impact Fees through out County/Cities
- Operation & maintenance of new facilities – County/City partnership
- County/City Management need to be addressed
- Upgrade existing facilities where feasible
- Access to lakes/swimming in parks
- PEAR Park a high priority to develop w/public access
- X-treme sports. There are many citizens who still want to push the limit
- There are very few boatramps that can be accessed for sailing
- Make Lake County the 'Center of Wellness' with an active lifestyle
- Scenic byway
- The need for a map/directory of all the parks, blueways, boatramps, trails, environmental lands in Lake County

### **SUMMARY:**

*Trails Workshop table* – Mike Woods was the leader. He indicated that the consensus was that the trails need to connect to parks, other trails, schools. Further, these trails needed to run through the urban areas of the County as well as the country areas.

*Environmental Lands Workshop table* - Bob Stevens was the leader. He indicated that the consensus was that preservation was a top priority but access without disruption was needed.

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*Parks & Recreation Workshop table* – Laura Minns was the leader. Even as the summary began, more ideas were being brought forward for the whole room to participate in the discussion. Ginger Corless indicated that from the meeting they had with the South Lake municipalities, they were receptive to any and all help they could get. They were looking at partnership as a way to allow the area to move forward.

Dr. Richardson put the idea on the floor that each city have a sports and recreation council and a representative from each sport has a seat on the council, then one city council member have a seat on the County Sports and Recreation Council.

Bob Stevens indicated that what happens in South Lake County will be a unique system of cooperation and will set the standard for the rest of the County.

Ginger Corless announced that there were three more meetings to be held:

Umatilla City Hall	October 22, 2003
Fruitland Park – Casino Building	October 29, 2003
Tavares – Administration Building	October 30, 2003

Please tell everyone you know about these meetings.

A summary of what comes from these meetings will be e-mailed to any participant who put down an e-mail address on the sign-in sheet.

In January / February there will one more round of public meetings to discuss what information has been gathered. The Master Plans with probably go to the BCC in April.

There was a discussion about the funding of the findings of the Master Plan. There were statements regarding the education of the public the recreation does bring economic development to communities/counties.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

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## Public Meeting / Workshop Minutes

**Umatilla City Hall  
1 Center Street  
Umatilla FL**

**Herbert Halback, Inc.  
October 22, 2003**

The sign in sheet shows that five people signed in. They were each given a questionnaire to fill out and return before they left for the evening.

Ginger Corless, Principal with Herbert Halbeck, Inc. called the meeting/workshop to order at 6:15pm. Ms. Corless introduced the staff present. She gave an overview of what had been done up until this point and introduced Laura Minns with Herbert Halbeck who gave a Power Point presentation regarding all the information that had been collected up to this point and what the next steps would be in the completion of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. The presentation ended at 6:40pm.

Ginger Corless indicated that the room had been set up for three group/worksessions: Rails/Trails, Environmental, and Parks & Recreation, however since there were so few attendees they would conduct the workshops one at a time. She invited Mike Woods to start the trails workshop.

Here are the items that were discussed during the worksessions for the three topics:

### **TRAILS WORKSHOP**

- Citizen indicated that there was a City of Eustis trail project that would be on the east side of Trout Lake on the Hicks Ditch
- Make Lake County a bike friendly County/City
- Economic potential of recreation
- Mt. Dora to Altoona trail
- Trails need to be of all types. Equestrian, bike, walking, 4 wheeler
- Connection between Emerald Marsh and the Ocala National Forest
- Discussion of off road vehicles

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### PARKS & RECREATION WORKSHOP

- Need for regional activity based parks
- Conflict of use between existing leagues & programs and tournament use
- Organizational cooperation & uniformity County wide
- Disorganization/conflict of existing leagues of concern
- Adult facility needs
- Community Recreation Center / Gym need
- Long range aquatic facilities plan
- Powers Dairy site consideration for regional type of park
- Accessory facilities – hotels, restaurants to bring tournament play to North Lake County
- Lake access for fishing and boating
- Impact of family spending for youth sports going out of the area

### ENVIRONMENTAL LANDS WORKSHOP

- Need to keep environmentally sensitive lands safe

#### SUMMARY:

The public needs to work together for the sake of the children.

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The meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

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**Casino Building  
604 Berkman  
Fruitland Park FL**

**Herbert Halback, Inc.  
October 29, 2003**

The sign in sheet shows that eight people signed in. They were each given a questionnaire to fill out and return before they left for the evening.

Ginger Corless, Principal with Herbert Halback, Inc. called the meeting/workshop to order at 6:05pm. Ms. Corless introduced the staff present. She gave an overview of what had been done up until this point and began the presentation. Laura Minns arrived and took over the Power Point presentation regarding all the information that had been collected up to this point and what the next steps would be in the completion of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. The presentation ended at 6:45pm.

Ginger Corless indicated that the room had been set up for three group/work sessions: Rails/Trails, Environmental, and Parks & Recreation, however since there were so few attendees they would conduct the workshops one at a time. She invited Mike Woods to begin the trail workshop.

Before Mike Woods began the work session there was an announcement regarding the opening of the Magnolia Trail in Leesburg. Here are the items that were discussed during the work sessions for the three topics:

### **TRAILS WORKSHOP**

- County / City Coordination
- Provide Cities with trail information
- All Cities have similar amenities
- Walking programs
- Outreach programs
- Trails to/around Lake Denim – Bug Springs

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### **PARKS & RECREATION WORKSHOP**

- Gyms / weight rooms – community center/dances/emergency center
- Nature center – community center / passive trails – educational trails
- Convention center – Civic Complex / live shows
- Bring Fruitland Park and Lady Lake together for the kids
- Long range activity based facility / purchase the land now
- Lady Lake needs the expansion to start now / fields are maxing out
- Additional adult facilities
- Adult programming
- Water access for boating / lakes not clean enough for swimming
- Summer camp facilities for sports / learning
- 60% to 75% of the kids are on reduced lunch / latchkey kids without access to parks. Schools are too far away for kids to walk to parks
- Target at risk youth
- Acquire land for future growth
- Small parks vs. larger parks

### **ENVIRONMENTAL LANDS WORKSHOP**

- Need to keep environmentally sensitive lands safe

The question was posed as to how to fund the recreational needs of Lake County. The discussion was that we needed to determine where the money needed and to focus on the needs of the kids.

Government approval. Even when a business wants to give/help government, government wants to go through red tape to get the help and/or equipment.

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### FUNDING

- ◆ User fees
- ◆ Taxes – need for tax dollars
- ◆ Youth organizations
- ◆ Partner with schools
- ◆ Enforce public/private partnership
- ◆ Eliminate red taps
- ◆ Bosanquant Property (\$.01 Sales Tax)?
- ◆ Inter-government cooperation – Open discussions with the Villages

Who is going to run the facility? Who is going to build the facility? The facility will not be built until the question of who is going to run it is answered.

Suggestion: The County has a coordinator who will operate the facility and be responsible for the scheduling of the programs.

Suggestion: The County builds the facility, hires a County facilitator and the City does the programming.

The children need transportation to these facilities.

Ginger Corless announced that there was one more meeting:

Tavares – Administration Building      October 30, 2003

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The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

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315 W. Main Street, Suite 233  
Tavares FL**

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The sign in sheet shows that twenty people signed in. They were each given a questionnaire to fill out and return before they left for the evening.

Ginger Corless, Principal with Herbert Halback, Inc. called the meeting/workshop to order at 6:10pm. Bob Stevens introduced the staff present. Commissioner Stivender spoke for a few minutes. Ginger Corless gave an overview of what had been done up until this point and turned the presentation over to Laura Minns how did the Power Point presentation regarding all the information that had been collected up to this point and what the next steps would be in the completion of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. The presentation ended at 6:35pm.

Ginger Corless indicated that the room had been set up for three group/work sessions: Rails/Trails, Environmental, and Parks & Recreation. She invited the individuals to break into one of the groups and that there would be time to visit each group.

Here are the items that were discussed during the work sessions for the three topics:

### **TRAILS – ENVIRONMENTAL LANDS WORKSHOP**

- Mount Dora – Tavares trails between the cities
- Acquire right of way property for these trails
- Trails that connect public lands
- Paved Shoulders
- Blue ways – Tavares to Eustis via the Dead River and Palatka River
- Link land trails / nature areas / blue ways
- Reconnect the chain of lakes
- Add Blue ways to the Lake Apopka loop trail
- State Road 46 / Mount Dora connect Sanford with trail and/or blue way
- Turnpike - trail opposed within corridor
- Buffer trails from heavy traffic roadway

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- Connect parks, schools and neighborhoods with trails
- Need for bike safety program in South Lake County
- High speed bike trail
- Preserve certain corridors for bike friendly routes
- Grassy Lake / Cherry Lake popular bicycle routes
- Coordinate with cities
- New roads designed with bike / pedestrian – require bike lanes / paved shoulders
- Hospital as trail heads
- Establish South Lake County as bike hub. Preserve corridor and popular cycling routes
- Subdivision – set aside for trails
- Promote active lifestyle
- Preserve spring areas in North Lake County
- Plan ahead
- Access to Blackwater Creek for Blue way
- Planning report on website
- Put in locks/ladders to allow for natural movement of habitat
- Get the word out:
  - ◆ Posters
  - ◆ City water bills
  - ◆ Schools
  - ◆ YMCA
  - ◆ Boys & Girls Clubs
  - ◆ Hospitals
  - ◆ Proactive Leagues
- Adult communities build their own recreation facilities

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### PARKS & RECREATION WORKSHOP

- Co-locate schools and parks
- Have transportation – work with schools to provide
- Expand the fairgrounds if/when it is moved
- Tavares / Eustis / Mount Dora a regional facility
- South Lake County partner with Polk County/Osceola/Orange
- Close driving time for parents – 20 / 30 minutes max
- Put park close to center of population – 3 regional parks for county
- County should be active recreation provider
- Use school grounds as practice fields to free up the regulation fields
- Acquire land – quantities for recreational use

Funding – taxes / user fees      \$100.00 per household – yes

Impact fees – yes

- County does not need to be involved with programming. They would dilute the dollars available
- People will travel distances to play on a good field
- Tournament play – Tavares would like to be active
- Special use facilities
- Walking programs
- Don't put multi use facility
- Partnerships long overdue
- Quit patch working recreation planning
- Grant program should expand, but fund with a plan
- Maintenance – who?
- Get out and do something about this

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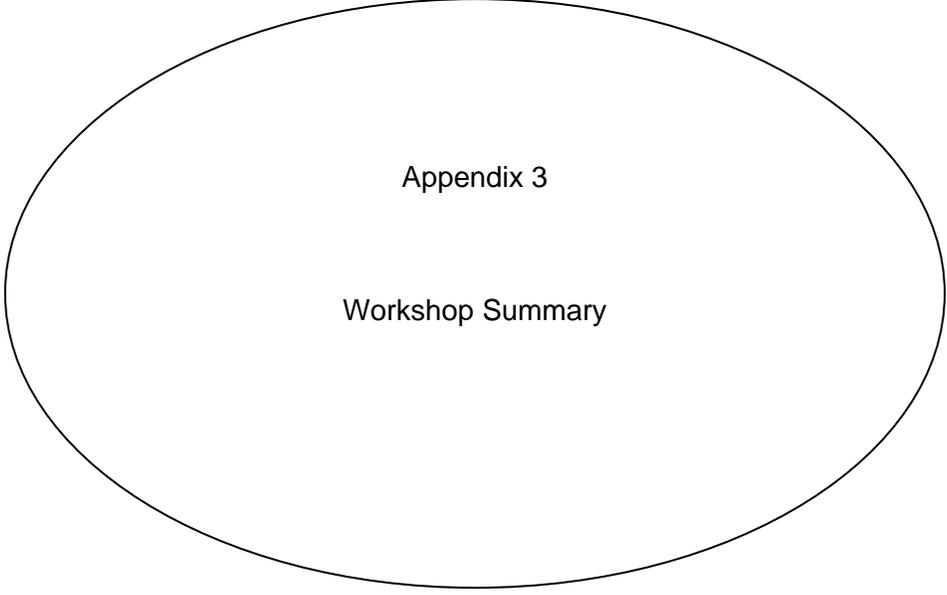
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The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.



Appendix 3

Workshop Summary



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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan Project Team

**From:** Ginger Corless  
Laura Minns

**Date:** November 5, 2003

**HHI #:** 2314

**Subject** Round 1 Public Workshop/Questionnaire Highlights

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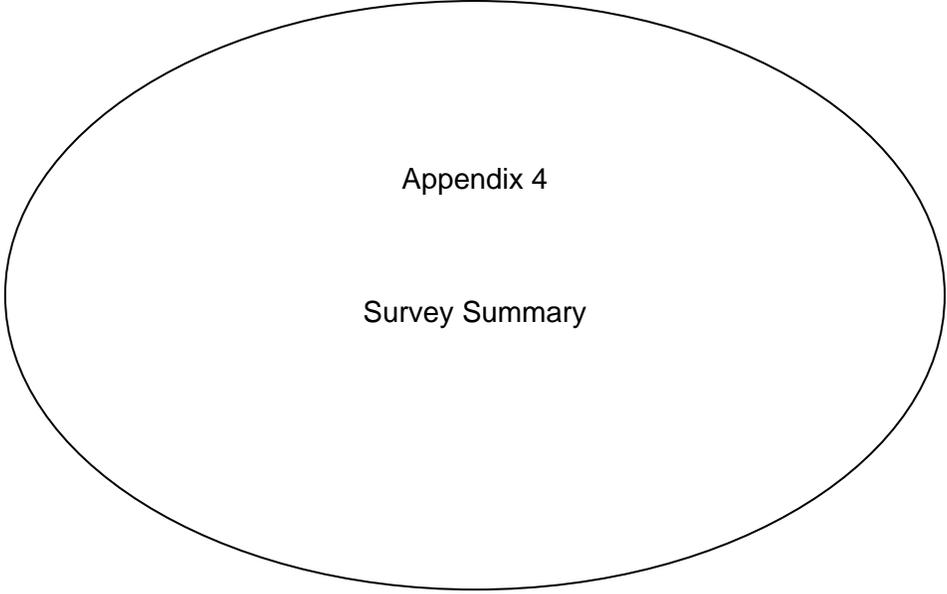
A total of fifty-eight (58) individuals signed in during the round 1 public meetings. Thirty-nine (39) questionnaires have been completed and submitted as of November 4, 2003. The following are highlights drawn from the public meetings and completed questionnaires.

- There seemed to be an unanimous feeling that Lake County did not have enough recreational opportunities and needed to improve its parks and recreation system.
- Comments made during the meetings as well as answers from the questionnaire lead us to believe that the County should be a primary provider of resource recreation such as access to the waterways, trails and passive recreation; however, it also appears that people feel the County has some obligation in providing active recreation opportunities.
- There is a mix of opinions regarding who should be the primary provider of recreation. It appears from several questions on the questionnaire and through active discussions at the meetings that most believe the cities and groups such as the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Club should play the primary role, yet the County should be an active participant where these needs are not being met.
- Most participants felt that the School Board should be a partner with the County and cities by providing school facilities for recreational activities and programming (after school and summer)
- The location of recreation facilities adjacent to schools or other civic operations was a popular idea.
- Most participants agree that partnerships in providing programming and facilities is extremely important in providing a complete system.
- It appears people believe there is a need for strong coordination between the County, cities and not-for-profit providers to ensure activities and facilities are provided while minimizing duplication of services.
- The idea of the County providing 3-4 large regional sport complexes seemed to be supported but there were questions regarding the operation and management of such facilities. If these facilities were constructed most people felt they should be designed for

tournament play in addition to providing multi-purpose space for day-to-day recreational activities and special events.

- South Lake County spoke of the dire need for coordinated programming and the need for additional facilities. Most participants felt facilities should be in close proximity to population centers but agreed that wherever you build quality recreational facilities people will come.
- Trails of all types seem to be a primary focus of the meeting participants. Connectivity, economic development, transportation and wellness were related topics to trails in addition to providing recreational benefit.
- No one seemed to disagree that it was important to preserve endangered habitat for future generations. They also discussed the need to provide public access through trails or other resource based recreational programming or activities on these lands.
- Funding is always a tough discussion point; however, during the meetings people responded that they would be in favor of increased taxes in one form or fashion to pay for recreation. Most responded on the survey that the County should increase the amount spent per capita on recreation. It appears with at least those that completed the survey, respondents would agree to pay between \$25 and \$100 per year more in taxes to achieve a higher level of recreation.
- Top mentioned recreation activities are as follows
  - trails of all types (hiking, biking, equestrian, mountain biking and bike lanes)
  - blueways
  - sport complexes with athletic fields
  - activities geared to our youth
  - resource recreation such as enhanced water access, fishing, boating, birding, etc.
  - dog parks
- Respondents to the survey as well as comments during the meetings spoke of the Master Plan providing future direction as to how partnerships can be formed between the County and other providers in addition to addressing development and management responsibilities.
- Meeting participants seemed to be either geared towards trails or youth sports.





Appendix 4

Survey Summary



## QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS 11/5/03

<b>Total Completed</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Date Completed</b>	<b>10/30 – 9; 10/29 – 10; 10/22 – 2; 10/21 - 18</b>

<b>A. Can you tell us the number of people in your household that are the following ages?</b>			
<b>1. Under 6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6. 30-39</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>2. 6-11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7. 40-49</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>3. 12-15</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8. 50-59</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>4. 16-19</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9. 60-69</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>5. 20-29</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10. 70+</b>	<b>5</b>

**Total Number of Individuals - 102**

No	Answer	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Parks & Recreation
1	0	2	36		1. No improvements are needed to the County's system, Lake County has enough parks
0	19	17	3		2. School recreation facilities (i.e. gyms, basketball courts, playgrounds, ball fields) should be available to the public when school is not in session
3	5	10	21		3. Cities should be the primary provider of recreation programming in Lake County (i.e. athletic leagues, sports clinics, classes, etc)
4	12	11	12		4. Lake County should develop recreation programs (i.e. day camps, youth and adult athletic leagues) it runs itself
2	13	22	2		5. The County should partner with the YMCA, Boys and Girls Club, or similar groups to provide programs at County facilities
1	8	16	14		6. Lake County's primary focus should be resource-based parks (i.e. natural resources, hiking, bird watching, fishing, trails, lakes, etc.)
4	17	15	3		7. Lake County needs 3-4 large active recreation complexes geared towards active recreation (i.e. ball fields, soccer, football, basketball, community center, etc.)
5	12	16	6		8. When park land is purchased, buy enough land to allow for the co-location of other community facilities, e.g. schools, libraries, fire stations, police sub-stations
2	17	15	5		9. Lake County needs tournament quality facilities to attract large state, regional, or national tournaments/events
3	12	13	11		10. The County needs to provide a few larger parks (i.e. district and regional) rather than a lot of small parks (i.e. neighborhood and mini parks)
<p>11. What recreation facilities do you feel are needed most in Lake County?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Biking Trails – 10 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Hiking Trails – 10 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Paddle Trails (Bluways) – 6 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Large Recreational Complexes (tournament quality) – 6 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Mountain bike trails – 3 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Everything athletic – 2 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Parks with Lake Access – 2 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Sports fields – 2 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Multi-use Facilities</b></li> <li>• <b>Dog Parks</b></li> <li>• <b>Parks and Pools for Toddlers</b></li> <li>• <b>Equestrian trails</b></li> <li>• <b>Total Area Coverage</b></li> <li>• <b>Every aspect imaginable</b></li> <li>• <b>We need the trails to be connected</b></li> <li>• <b>Passive activities</b></li> <li>• <b>Activities that are geared towards teens</b></li> <li>• <b>Youth oriented</b></li> </ul>					



**12. Where do you think new recreation facilities are needed most?**

- **South Lake County – 6 similar responses**
- **Between major population areas – 5 similar responses**
- **Spread throughout the county – 3 similar responses**
- **Northeast Lake County – 2 similar responses**
- **Northwest Lake County – 2 similar responses**
- **Central Lake County – 2 similar responses**
- **Locations of interest to enhance economic development – 2 similar responses**
- **Between Lady Lake and Fruitland Park**
- **On the Clermont Chain of Lakes**
- **Clermont**
- **Leesburg**
- **Mount Dora**
- **Citrus Ridge Area**
- **Four Corners Area**
- **On our Waterways**
- **In the larger cities where multiple sports programs are offered**
- **Trails should connect to other recreation facilities, schools and neighborhoods**

**13. What parks do you use the most?**

- **City of Fruitland Park Parks – 7 similar responses**
- **Where there are ball fields – 2 similar responses**
- **Lake Louisa State Park – 2 similar responses**
- **I use the waterfront in Clermont – 2 similar responses**
- **Clermont City Parks – 2 similar responses**
- **PEAR Park – 2 similar responses**
- **Venetian Gardens**
- **City of Clermont's Hancock Park**
- **Kirk Park**
- **Montverde**
- **Tavares City Parks**
- **National and State Parks**
- **Griffin State Park**
- **Marsh Park**
- **There are no County Parks near me**
- **Flat Island**
- **Ferran Park**
- **Eustis Little League**
- **I do not go to parks**
- **City parks**
- **Resource based parks**
- **Palatlaka Recreation Area**

**14. Please list the recreational activities you (and your family) participate in the most**

- **Walking/Hiking – 11 similar responses**
- **Cycling – 10 similar responses**
- **Canoeing/Kayaking – 9 similar responses**
- **Swimming – 5 similar responses**
- **Basketball – 5 similar responses**
- **Soccer – 4 similar responses**
- **Volleyball – 4 similar responses**
- **Baseball – 4 similar responses**
- **Skating/rollerblading – 3 similar responses**
- **Mountain biking – 2 similar responses**



- Boating – 2 similar responses
- Softball – 2 similar responses
- Football – 2 similar responses
- Tennis – 2 similar responses
- Fishing – 2 similar responses
- Going to the park with my grandchild – 2 similar responses
- Sailing
- Camping
- All sporting events
- Dog walking – 2 similar responses
- Jogging
- Birding
- Wellness Activities
- Yoga
- Martial Arts/Karate
- Nature Observation

15. Please list the main recommendation(s)/issue(s) you think the Parks and Recreation Master Plan should address

- Regional multi-use parks shared by County, cities and other groups – 4 similar responses
- System of Trails – 3 similar responses
- System of Blueways – 2 similar responses
- Funding “get the money to initiate active recreation” – 2 similar responses
- Co-location and use of facilities with schools, cities and LCWA – 2 similar responses
- Partnerships – 2 similar responses
- The County should focus on resource based recreation and environmental lands in the master plan as well as recreation – 2 similar responses
- Coordination of existing natural assets
- Bike Trails along south Highway 27
- Hiking Trails in the Green Swamp
- Lake Access
- Regional multi-use parks that are constructed and operated by Lake County
- Enhance the National Training Center growth to fit the needs of the County
- Gym and outdoor sports facilities in South Lake County
- All forms of fitness
- Dog Park
- Maintenance/Management
- Promotion
- Create developer incentives to provide recreation and trail facilities where they are needed not just in their development
- Provide direction to the County Commission as well as all of the city councils
- Demonstrate how recreation can enhance the quality of life
- Demonstrate how we will enhance what we have first
- Provide a complete and accurate inventory of all current facilities
- Appoint a countywide committee to create a master plan that partners with every possible group
- Should state that land acquisition is important now to preserve for future
- Make sure we have recreation for the urban boom; our area is expanding



No Answer	Definitely	Somewhat	Not at All	Trails
7	1	3	28	16. Lake County's trail system is adequate, no improvements need to be made
<b>Please indicate the types of trails you would like to see developed in Lake County</b>				
4	23	12	0	17. Hiking and jogging trails
5	13	15	6	18. Equestrian trails (i.e. unpaved, "backwoods experience")
10	19	10	0	19. Hiking and jogging trails
5	24	7	3	20. Paved multi-use trails (separate from vehicular traffic)
7	17	13	2	21. Un-paved multi-use trails (separate from vehicular traffic)
10	10	15	4	22. Equestrian trails (i.e. unpaved, "backwoods experience")
5	17	15	2	23. Off-road bicycling trails
5	19	12	3	24. Paddling trails (canoe and kayaking water trails)
3	20	10	6	25. Bicycle lanes and paved shoulders (sharing roadway with vehicles)
8	8	10	13	26. Water taxi routes
<b>Please indicate the types of facilities you would you like to see as part of the trail system</b>				
4	24	11	0	27. Restroom(s)
5	17	15	2	28. Educational/interpretive signage
5	24	10	0	29. Trailhead parking
4	30	5	0	30. Shade trees and landscaping
4	26	9	0	31. Drinking fountains
4	27	7	1	32. Trail markers/signage
6	7	20	6	33. Concessions (i.e. bicycle/canoe/inline skate rental, refreshments, supplies, etc.)
3	27	8	1	34. Benches/rest areas



No Answer	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not at All	
<b>Trails (cont.)</b>				
<b>Please indicate how important the various functions of trails are to you</b>				
7	20	11	1	35. Recreational opportunities
7	10	13	9	36. Alternative transportation
7	12	16	4	37. Economic development/stimulus
5	26	7	1	38. Preservation of natural resources
8	20	11	0	39. Increase in greenspace
6	17	16	0	40. Preservation of historical assets
5	22	9	3	41. Connections to schools, parks, neighborhoods, downtown, activity centers, etc.
6	23	10	0	42. Access to natural resources
<p>43. How frequently do you use trails, greenways or blueways?</p> <p>4 - no answer    4 - daily    8 - weekly    6 - monthly    13 - irregularly    4 - never</p>				
<p>44. How frequently <b>would</b> you use trails if they were located conveniently to you?</p> <p>2 - no answer    6 - daily    19 - weekly    2 - monthly    10 - irregularly    0 - never</p>				
<p>45. Do you travel by car to use trails?</p> <p>Inside Lake County:    19 - yes    8 - no    10 - do not use trails    2 - no answer</p> <p>Outside Lake County:    18 - yes    4 - no    11 - do not use trails    6 - no answer</p>				
<p>46. Would land or water trails benefit your business?    10 - yes    20 - no    9 - no answer</p> <p>How?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Athlete training</li> <li>• If I get some design work</li> <li>• Direct and indirect sales</li> <li>• Promotes healthier lifestyles to prevent chronic illnesses</li> <li>• Special Olympics offers specific sports/training related to the use of trails</li> <li>• Increased community support for recreation</li> </ul>				
<p>47. Please provide any other comments related to trails that were not already covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walking programs with graphics or instructional map will help walkers set their goals</li> <li>• A master plan will encourage incorporation of bike friendly development</li> <li>• #45 very important; Hwy 50 creates huge barrier to trail access</li> <li>• We need bridges over 441/19/27/50 for safe pedestrian access esp. children</li> <li>• We need blueways as well as land trails</li> </ul>				



No Answer	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not at All	<b>Environmental Lands</b>
12	6	9	12	48. Lake County has enough environmental lands in public ownership, additional land acquisition is not needed.
<b>Please indicate which functions you feel are important function(s) of acquiring environmental lands?</b>				
6	26	7	0	49. Preserving quality of life
7	25	7	0	50. Preserving open space
7	24	8	0	51. Conservation of natural resources
9	21	8	1	52. Outdoor recreational opportunities
7	22	10	0	53. Protecting critical habitat for flora and fauna
7	22	9	1	54. Providing public access to natural resources such as lakes, rivers, and forests
<p>55. Please list any areas or specific resources you feel should be preserved or protected in Lake County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Natural springs - 3 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Lakes and Rivers - 3 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Green Swamp – 2 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Palatlahaha River and its basis – 2 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Areas of critical habitat – 2 similar responses</b></li> <li>• <b>Greenspace – 2 similar comments</b></li> <li>• <b>Prevent Clermont Chain from becoming as polluted as the Dora Chain</b></li> <li>• <b>Rivers</b></li> <li>• <b>High elevation points</b></li> <li>• <b>Farmland</b></li> <li>• <b>Wildlife corridors</b></li> <li>• <b>Trail corridors</b></li> <li>• <b>Wetlands</b></li> <li>• <b>Castle Hill</b></li> <li>• <b>Lost Spring</b></li> <li>• <b>Any remnant scrub</b></li> <li>• <b>Aquifer recharge areas</b></li> <li>• <b>Shade</b></li> <li>• <b>Blueways</b></li> </ul>				



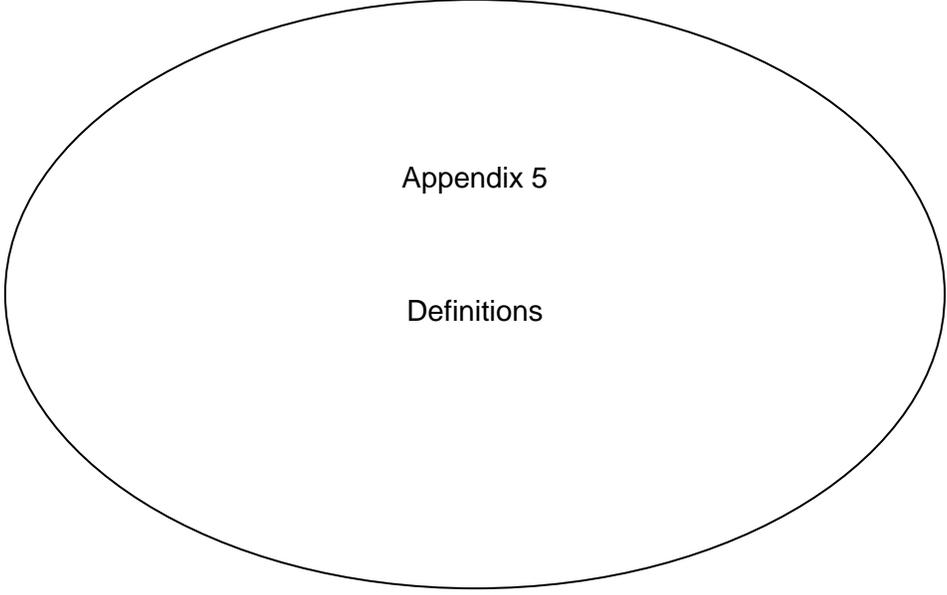
No Answer	High Priority	Priority	Not a Priority	
<b>Funding</b>				
<b>Please indicate how Lake County should prioritize its parks and recreation budget</b>				
8	10	18	3	56. Existing parks and recreation facilities and programs
10	15	12	2	57. New parks and recreation facilities and programs
8	19	11	1	58. Youth recreation (ages 0-18)
9	9	16	5	59. Adult recreation (ages 18+)
9	8	19	3	60. Senior recreation (ages 65+)
8	16	10	5	61. Land acquisition for protection of environmentally sensitive lands
8	17	11	3	62. Trails
No Answer	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	
<b>How should Lake County pay for parks and recreation facilities</b>				
11	9	14	5	63. Ad Valorem taxes (i.e. property taxes)
7	16	10	6	64. A dedicated funding source (i.e. sales tax, bonds)
10	14	11	4	65. User fees (e.g. 'pay as you go', program fees, etc.)
14	4	7	14	66. Special taxing districts
8	25	6	0	67. Grants
10	15	11	3	68. Entrance fees (e.g. annual pass, daily fee, boat ramp fee)
<b>How much would you be willing to pay in additional taxes to Lake County per year for parks, trails and environmental lands? (Currently Lake County spends approximately \$13 per resident for parks and recreation)</b>				
24	5	0	10	69. The same amount as today
21	10	4	1	70. \$25 per year
22	7	5	5	71. \$50 per year
20	7	4	8	72. \$100 per year
24	3	0	12	73. More than \$100



Thank you very much for taking the time out to fill out this questionnaire your input is extremely valuable. Please provide any other comments you may have:

- **Research other cities and school districts to find models to emulate to share facilities**
- **Recognize the positive impact and health costs reductions when we are active and fit**
- **Recreation is important to our health and well-being. I hope we can get more people involved and active**
- **Kids are our future; hope we can put them first**
- **We need lake access for sailboats-marina style**
- **Mountain bike/off road trails are very important**
- **Provide links and facilities for bikes/pedestrians and in-line skaters in urban areas**
- **Explore opportunities with SJRWMD for stormwater parks**
- **Schools may be eliminating playgrounds now but most likely this will change**
- **County and schools should partner; co-locate and provide summer opportunities**
- **Recreational programs are a priority for all ages. Programs that have low participation should be discontinued**
- **Perhaps an advertising campaign to let County residents know what programs are provided in the various areas would be helpful**
- **Without a master plan we have no means to direct developers to incorporate trails, parks and other recreational facilities. My fear is that even with the plan the governments will not work with developers to incorporate parks/recreation facilities**
- **Implement an annual trails user fee in addition to other user and entrance fees**
- **Create a Sports and Recreation Council for each area**
- **The cities should be responsible for recreation in the cities and the County responsible for recreation in the unincorporated areas**
- **Thank you for undertaking the master plan process; I hope we end up with a good mix of active and passive facilities in addition to the environmental lands and trails**
- **I support a dedicated funding source for Lake County Parks and Recreation for the development of recreation facilities and continued management**
- **We need teen centers that can be used by other groups too**
- **Dog parks should be located throughout the county**
- **We need to have an inline hockey center**
- **Tax dollars should go to improving quality of life, preserving resources and protecting our greatest resources, children.**
- **Jobs, affordable housing, quality education should be a higher priority than recreation**
- **Times have changed with the electronic age and people are not participating in recreation as they have in the past**





Appendix 5

Definitions

## LAKE COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

### Definitions May 2003

The following definitions are seen as a starting point for common dialogue regarding parks and recreational planning. These definitions may be refined, definitions may be eliminated or even added throughout the master planning process. The definitions are presented in alphabetical order.

**ACTIVITY-BASED RECREATION** – Recreation facilities provided for a specific game or sport such as basketball, baseball, soccer, swimming, hiking, boating, etc. which involves specialized physical manipulation by the participant. These facilities are usually geared toward team sports or special events and are managed for frequent and scheduled use. These type of facilities are typically located in neighborhood, community, district and special use parks and sometimes located within large resource-based parks as well.

**ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES** - The physical evidence or remains of known historic or prehistoric human life, activity or culture. Significant ruins, artifacts, inscriptions, structural and/or human remains may be considered archeological resources.

**BEACH** - The zone of unconsolidated material that extends landward from the mean low water line to the place where there is marked change in material or physiographic form, or to the line of permanent vegetation, usually the effective limit of storm waves.

**BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN WAYS** - Any road, path or way which is open to bicycle travel and traffic afoot and from which motor vehicles are excluded.

**BOAT RAMP PARK** - A park associated with a water resource that includes launching ramps for boating.

**BUFFER AREA** - An area, or space, separating an outdoor recreation area from influences that would tend to depreciate essential recreational values of the recreation area, or where the outside influences are of a particularly harsh and incompatible nature, as in urban or industrial areas, or along a busy highway.

**CARRYING CAPACITY** - The amount of outdoor recreation which a given recreational area, resource, or facility can actually accommodate or provide at any given time under existing conditions.

**COMMUNITY PARK** - A park located near major roadways, designed to serve the needs of more than one neighborhood. Community parks usually provide a wide range of athletic or team sports opportunities as well as cultural and artistic programs and services. Recreational facilities in community parks should be designed for flexibility along with specific uses allowing the recreation provider to respond to changing recreational programming trends. Community parks are often located adjacent to public schools or other activity centers.

The following are secondary characteristic of community parks. These characteristics shall be evaluated during the master plan process and refined to meet Lake County's specific requirements.

- 20-150 acres in size (NRPA optimum size 20-50 acres)

- Up to a 3-mile service radius in urban areas
- Up to a 6-mile service radius in rural areas
- Access by walking, biking, but more often by car
- Usually located near major collector streets or arterial roads

**COMPATIBLE RECREATION ACTIVITIES** – These are recreational activities that do not interfere with each other and which are not harmful to the environment.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN** - Plan that meets the requirements of s. 153.3177 and s. 163.3178, F.S., and thus contains the guidelines, principles and standards for the orderly, coordinated and balanced future economic, social, physical, environmental, and fiscal development of the area.

**CONCURRENCY** - The necessary public facilities and services to maintain the adopted level of service standards are available when the impacts of development occur.

**CONSERVATION AND RECREATION LANDS/(CARL)** - Land acquisition program administered by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to acquire property from willing property owners to protect environmentally endangered lands for parks, forest, wildlife management areas, beaches and recreation areas which are sensitive due to the presence of unique or rare habitats, endangered or threatened species or unique historical, archaeological or geological features.

**CONSERVATION USES** - Activities or conditions within areas designated for the purpose of conserving or protecting natural resources or environmental quality, including areas designated for such purposes as flood control, protection of quality or quantity of groundwater or surface water, floodplain management, commercially or recreationally valuable fish and shellfish, or protection of vegetative communities or wildlife habitats.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES** - Archaeological and historical sites and properties. The significance of these resources is derived not only from individual artifacts but also from the spatial arrangement of the artifacts in both horizontal and vertical planes.

**DENSITY** - An objective measurement of the number of people or residential units allowed per unit of land, such as residents or employees per acre.

**DEVELOPMENT** - The act of physically altering an area, site, or resource to increase its ability or capacity to serve recreation purposes. Development usually implies improvement by degrees. It pertains primarily to the process of opening up, landscaping, erecting structures and facilities, etc.

**DISTRICT PARK** – A park serving many communities or larger geographical area of the County. District parks can be associated with a natural resource area or serve as a major activity center for sports and active recreation.

The following are secondary characteristic of district parks. These characteristics shall be evaluated during the master plan process and refined to meet Lake County's specific requirements.

- 150 - 500 acres in size
- Can serve larger area than community park but smaller than regional

- Usually resourced based but may contain active recreation facilities
- Some district parks are designed as competitive recreational or sport venues that are not dependent on a natural resource or serve regional populations
- Access more often by car but also through trails and pedestrian connections

**ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT** - An integrated approach to the management of Florida's green infrastructure of native landscapes and communities recognizing the biological, physical and chemical elements of discrete environments conducted through the use of tools such as planning, land acquisition, environmental education, regulation and pollution prevention designed to maintain, protect, and improve the state's natural managed and human communities.

**ECOTOURISM** - Tourism based principally upon natural and archaeological/historical resources; that segment of tourism that involves traveling to relatively undisturbed or uncontaminated natural areas with the specific object of admiring, studying and enjoying the scenery and its wild plants and animals, as well as any existing cultural features (both past and present) found in these areas.

**EXTENSIVE USE** - Use of a recreation area that require a relatively high "land/man" ratio (large amount of resource per user served; e.g. hunting, wilderness camping, etc.).

**FLORIDA GREENWAYS AND TRAILS SYSTEM** - Statewide system proposed to link natural areas, open spaces and trails in Florida, consisting of large or medium-sized hubs, smaller sites and extensive to small connective landscape features.

**FLORIDA SCENIC HIGHWAY** - Any public road on the State Highway System that is so designated by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Section 335.093, F.S.

**FUNDING ASSISTANCE** - The awarding of funds for assistance in financing the acquisition and development of a recreation project.

- **COST SHARING** - The awarding of funds for financial assistance for the acquisition and development of a recreation project, which is matched in varying amounts by the project's sponsor.
- **MATCHING BASIS** - The awarding of funds for financial assistance in the acquisition and development of a recreation project that is matched equally by the project's sponsor.

**GREENPRINTING** – A smart growth strategy used to define and implement a community's vision for integrating parks and open spaces with the larger process of community development.

**GREENWAY** - A linear open space established along either a natural corridor, such as a riverfront, stream valley, or ridgeline, or over land along a railroad right-of-way converted to recreational use, a canal, a scenic road, or other route; any natural or landscaped course for pedestrian or bicycle passage; an open space connector linking parks, nature reserves, cultural features, or historic sites with each other and populated areas; or a local strip or linear park designated as a parkway or greenbelt.

**HABITAT FRAGMENTATION** - Human activity such as agriculture, road building, and suburb and city development, resulting in the creation of small isolated areas that are poorly suited to maintaining ecological function and support smaller populations of remaining species.

**HISTORIC RESOURCES** - All areas, districts or sites containing properties listed on the Florida Master Site File, the National Register of Historic Places, or designated by a local government as historically, architecturally, or archaeologically significant.

**INDOOR RECREATION** – Recreation activities that are provided primarily in buildings or community centers.

**INFRASTRUCTURE** - Those man-made structures which serve the common needs of the population, such as: sewage disposal systems; potable water systems; potable water wells serving a system; solid waste disposal sites or retention areas; stormwater systems; utilities; piers; docks; wharves; breakwaters; bulkheads; seawalls; bulwarks; revetments; causeways; marinas; navigation channels; bridges; and roadways.

**INTENSITY** - An objective measurement of the extent to which land may be developed or used, including the consumption or use of the space above, on or below ground; the measurement of the use of or demand on natural resources; and the measurement of the use of or demand on facilities and services.

**INTENSIVE USE** - Use of a recreation area for activities which requires a relatively low "land/man" ratio, or small amount of resource per user served; e.g. swimming, picnicking, sightseeing, etc.

**LAND ACQUISITION** - Obtaining land and related resources for public recreation by various means.

**LAND PURCHASE** - The acquisition of land and related resources in which title to the property is obtained by transaction involving payment to the grantor.

**LANDSCAPE ECOLOGY** - The study of native landscape structure, function, and change at the scale of entire landscapes, as well as the application of the results to the design and management of both natural and human-dominated areas.

**LEVEL OF SERVICE** - An indicator of the extent or degree of service provided by, or proposed to be provided by a facility based on and related to the operational characteristics of the facility. Level of service shall indicate the capacity per unit of demand for each public facility.

**LINEAR PARK** - A park usually associated with a greenway, established along either a natural corridor or trails such as a riverfront, stream valley, or ridgeline, or over land along a railroad right-of-way converted to recreational use.

**MANAGEMENT AREA** - An area devoted to specialized management for either game (wildlife management area) or sport fish (fish management area), or other special natural resources.

**MARINE WETLANDS** - Areas with a water regime determined primarily by tides and the dominant vegetation is salt tolerant plant species including those species listed in Subsection 17-4.020(17), F.A.C., "Submerged Marine Species."

**MITIGATION BANKING** - Preserving, restoring, or enhancing wetland areas for the purpose of setting them aside to compensate for future conversions of wetlands for development activities.

**MULTI-PURPOSE RECREATION FACILITY** – A recreation facility that is designed for more than one activity use; e.g. athletic field, racquetball/handball court, community center.

**MULTIPLE USE** - A land management objective seeking to coordinate several environmental, recreational, economic, historic, cultural and/or social values in the same geographic area in a compatible and sustainable manner.

**NEIGHBORHOOD PARK** - A park that serves the population of a neighborhood and is generally accessible by bicycle or pedestrian ways. Neighborhood parks could include practice areas, green spaces, or playing courts for drop-in games of all types. Neighborhood parks should provide a balance of active and resource based facilities and designed for causal play with very little programming.

The following are secondary characteristic of neighborhood parks. These characteristics shall be evaluated during the master plan process and refined to meet Lake County's specific requirements.

- 5-19 acres in size (NRPA optimum size 10 acres)
- ¼ to ½ mile service radius in urban areas
- Located within or adjacent to neighborhoods
- Access by walking, biking, or short car ride (minimal parking)
- Usually located near major collector streets or arterial roads

**OPEN SPACE** - Undeveloped lands suitable for some types of recreation activities or conservation uses.

**OUTDOOR RECREATION** - The pursuit of leisure-time activities that occur in an outdoor setting.

**OUTDOOR RECREATION RESOURCES** - Those natural resources used for the support of outdoor recreation, such as land, water, wildlife, natural scenery, etc.

**PARTICIPANT ACTIVITIES** - Those recreation activities that involve direct participation, either active (as in the case of swimming) or passive (as in the case of nature study), by the individual.

**PARTICIPATION RATE** - The rate at which a person participates in a particular recreation activity, expressed in number of times per year.

**PASSIVE RECREATION** - Passive recreation is typically associated with quiet, non-obtrusive facilities. Such activities are more mental than physical and include sightseeing, nature study, scenic appreciation, picnicking or cultural interpretation. Passive recreation may be provided at either an activity-based park or a resource-based park.

**PLAYGROUND** - A recreation area with play apparatus.

**POCKET PARKS** – Pocket parks serve as the local park within neighborhoods or are small urban green spaces that provide a park atmosphere. Natural or landscaped these parks are usually located within built-up areas.

**PRIORITY** - The ranking or order of precedence assigned to each project or need to establish its place with respect to all others under consideration at any given time.

**PRIVATE RECREATION SITES** - Sites owned by private, commercial or non-profit entities available to the public for purposes of recreational use.

**PROJECTION** - An extrapolation or extension of known data to derive comparable working data for selected target dates.

**PUBLIC ACCESS** - The ability of the public to physically reach, enter or use recreation sites including beaches and shores.

**PUBLIC FACILITIES** - Transportation systems or facilities, sewer systems or facilities, solid waste systems or facilities, drainage systems or facilities, potable water systems or facilities, educational systems or facilities, parks and recreation systems or facilities and public health systems or facilities.

**PUBLIC LANDS** - Any lands in the state that are owned by, leased by, or otherwise assigned to the state, counties, municipalities or any of its agencies and which are used by the general public for recreational purposes.

**PUBLIC RECREATION SITES** - Sites owned or leased on a long-term basis by a federal, state, regional or local government agency for purposes of recreational use.

**RECREATION** - The infinite variety of activities which people elect to occupy their leisure time and satisfy their need for diversion.

**RECREATION ACTIVITY** - A specific, individual type of recreation. Recreational activities may be active or passive.

**RECREATION DEMAND** - The quantity of recreation necessary to satisfy all prospective participants during any given time period. Demand is not strictly a matter of desire, but rather of desire tempered by such limiting factors as opportunity, awareness, financial ability, physical ability and competing uses of available time. Variations of this general concept used to quantify recreation participation are as follows:

- **COMBINED DEMAND** - The sum of resident and tourist demand.
- **DESIGN DEMAND** - The level of demand occurring on an average peak-day (weekend or holiday), selected as the basis for designing a recreation system.
- **LATENT DEMAND** - That demand for goods or services that cannot be met because of a lack of market capacity to respond to that demand. In the context of park and recreation Level of Service (LOS) calculation, latent demand is the need for recreation facilities and activities that cannot be satisfied with the existing facility capacity.

- **PEAK-DAY DEMAND** - The greatest amount of recreation demand exerted on any single day (weekend or holiday) of the year.
- **TOTAL DEMAND** - The sum of the demand for all separate types of recreation.

**RECREATION FACILITIES** - Those improvements or artificially installed accessories that facilitate the use of an area or a resource for outdoor recreation.

**RECREATION INVENTORY** - The sum of all public and private recreation areas, resources and facilities making up a complete recreation system.

**RECREATIONAL NEED** - The amount by which recreation demand exceeds available recreation supply in a given area. Relative need is the commensurable relationship among all recreation resource and facility needs. It compares the needs for any one region to the needs for all activities in all regions.

**RECREATION OPPORTUNITY** - The availability of a preferred type of recreation to a potential user or participant. It refers to the total amount of potential recreation available at any given time.

**RECREATION PLAN** - An overall framework for the planning and provision of balanced recreation opportunities for potential and actual users.

**RECREATION PROGRAM** - An ongoing series of related and coordinated efforts designed to further a common recreation purpose.

**RECREATION RESOURCE AND FACILITY REQUIREMENTS** - The total amount of actual recreation resources and facilities necessary to supply a specified amount of recreation demand at a given time.

**RECREATION RESOURCE AND FACILITY GUIDELINE** - Hypothetical measures of recreation opportunities expressed as park, resource or facility units which are intended to represent conditions of use and optimum levels of supply for the individual user, a given population of residents, or a specific service area within a city or county.

- **USE GUIDELINE (OR USE STANDARD)** - A hypothetical measure of use conditions for recreation resources and facilities; e.g. the number of hikers per unit of trail, the number of bathers per unit of beach, etc.
- **POPULATION GUIDELINE** - An optimum ratio of a given quantity of resources and facilities to a hypothetical number of people; e.g. 1 tennis court per 2,000 population.
- **SITE GUIDELINE** - An estimate of local park and recreation area acreage proposed for serving various specific service areas or particular populations residing within a given radius; e.g. 2 acres of neighborhood park per 1,000 population, serving not more than 5,000 people, and a population residing within 1/4 to 1/2 mile of the park.

**RECREATION SUPPLIER** - An agency, organization, group, or individual, either public or private, with a broad area of responsibility for providing public recreation, distinguished on the basis of both the nature of the supplier and the nature of the recreation supplied. Six categories

of recreation suppliers have been defined: federal and state government, county and municipal government, private commercial enterprise, private non-profit, private club and private un-inventoried.

**RECREATION SUPPLY** - The total amount of potential recreation afforded at any given time by a recreation system.

**RECREATION SUPPLY CAPACITY** - The amount of recreation which a given recreation area, resource, facility, or site can accommodate or provide at any given time under a specified measure of use conditions.

**RECREATION SUPPLY POTENTIAL** - The amount of potential recreation afforded in the future by any recreation system.

**RECREATION SYSTEM** - A purposeful assemblage of physical units or elements made up of recreation areas, resources, and facilities designed to meet the demands of a given segment of the public.

**RECREATION USE** - The use of recreation areas, resources, or facilities in the purpose for which they were intended.

**RECREATION USER** - One who uses recreation areas, resources, or facilities.

**REGIONAL PARK** - A park that is designed to serve countywide or even multiple counties. Regional parks are usually located in areas of diverse natural resources. Regional parks are located based on the resource.

**RESOURCE-BASED RECREATION** - Outdoor recreation dependent on certain specific outdoor recreation resources, contrasted with "user-oriented" recreation. For this plan, these activities include such activities as bicycle riding, boating, camping, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, hunting, nature study, off-highway picnicking, freshwater swimming, visiting archaeological and historical sites.

**RESOURCE (FACILITY) REQUIREMENTS** - The total amount of recreation resources (facilities) necessary to accommodate the total recreation demand at any given time.

**RESOURCE TYPE** - A class of recreation resource that can be specifically identified, such as a freshwater lake, a hardwood forest, etc.

**RURAL AREAS** - Low density areas characterized by social, economic and institutional activities which may be largely based on agricultural uses or the extraction of natural resources in unprocessed form, or areas containing large proportions of undeveloped, unimproved, or low density property.

**SERVICE AREA** - The surrounding land area from which a recreation resource, area, site, or facility draws its participants.

**SHORELINE OR SHORE** - The interface of land and water.

**SINGLE-PURPOSE/SPECIAL FACILITY** - (As contrasted to "multi-purpose.") A specialized type of recreation facility that is designed for primarily one recreational activity; e.g. golf course, tennis center, equestrian center, senior center, museum. Special facilities are located where population demands the activity, facility or service. Size depends on recreation facility to be provided.

**SMART GROWTH** - The planning, design and development of communities to promote a sense of place, the preservation of natural and cultural resources and the equitable distribution of the costs and benefits of development. Smart growth enhances ecological integrity over the short and long term and improves quality of life by expanding the range of transportation, employment and housing choices in the region in a fiscally responsible manner.

**SPECTATOR ACTIVITIES** - Those recreation activities that are carried on primarily for the visual benefit of others rather than for the direct enjoyment of the active participants. These are activities such as stadium sports, horse races, interior sporting venues, etc.

**STAKEHOLDER** - Group or individual who can affect, or is affected by, the achievement of the organization or program's mission; examples include managers, employees, policy makers, suppliers, vendors, citizens and community groups.

**STEWARDSHIP** - Sense of responsibility for, desire to participate in, or taking charge of the protection and management of land and water resources.

**SUITABILITY** - The degree to which the existing characteristics and limitations of land and water are compatible with a proposed use or development.

**SYSTEMS PLANNING** - The process of assessing the park, recreation, open space and greenway facility needs of a community and translating that information into a framework for meeting the physical, spatial and facility requirements to satisfy those needs.

**TRAIL** - Linear corridor and any adjacent support parcels on land or water providing public access for recreation or authorized alternative modes of transportation. (Ch. 260.013 (1), F.S.)  
Trail Types:

- **Hiking:** Path used solely for backpacking or long distance hiking
- **Bicycle:** Designated trail or system of trails used primarily for bicycling
- **Interpretative/Nature:** Trail designed or marked for nature interpretation and study
- **Horseback:** Improved or unimproved trail designated and used primarily for horseback riding
- **Canoe:** Distance along most commonly used route on a designated or undesignated waterway used for canoeing. Also referred to as a blueway.
- **Exercise/Parcourse:** Course designed generally for jogging, but which may or may not have exercise stations.

- **Multipurpose, Multi-use or Shared:** Trail used for more than one of the above activities.

**URBAN AREA** - An area of or for development characterized by social, economic and institutional activities which are predominantly based on the manufacture, production, distribution, or provision of goods and services in a setting which typically includes residential and nonresidential development uses other than those which are characteristic of rural areas.

**URBAN SPRAWL** - Urban development or uses that are located in predominantly rural areas, or rural areas interspersed with generally low- intensity or low-density urban uses.

**USER-OCCASION** - One instance of participation in a single recreation activity by one person. Commonly used as the basis unit of measure for outdoor recreation demand.

**USER-ORIENTED RECREATION** - Recreation opportunities that can be placed at the convenience of the user to take advantage of proximity to population centers. May be either "user-oriented" or "resource-based" depending on the setting they utilize and the conjunctive values involved, as with the case of swimming, bicycling, picnicking, camping, etc.

**USER-PREFERENCE** - The exercise of choice of recreation activities by a potential participant. The total impact of user-preference is the determination of activity distribution in recreation demand.

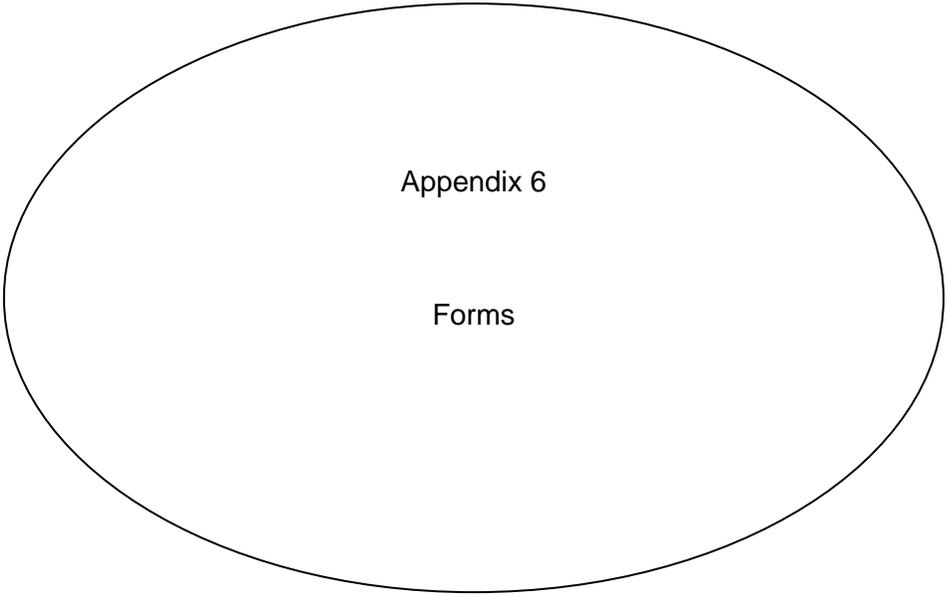
**USER-SATISFACTION** - The measure of the extent to which a recreation experience satisfies the desires of the participant.

**WETLANDS** - Areas that are inundated or saturated by surface water or ground water at a frequency and a duration sufficient to support, and [that] under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soils. Florida wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bayheads, bogs, cypress domes and strands, sloughs, wet prairies, riverine swamps and marshes, hydric seepage slopes, tidal marshes, mangrove swamps and other similar areas (Section 62-340.200 (19), F.A.C.).

**WILDERNESS** - An undeveloped area of land that has essentially retained its primeval character and influence without permanent alteration.

**WILDLIFE** - Animals such as birds, fish, insects, mammals, amphibians, and reptiles that are living in natural or wild environments. Wildlife does not include animals living in aquariums, zoos, and other artificial surroundings, or domestic such as farm animals or pets.

*Note: Definitions are primarily based on DEP's Outdoor Recreation in Florida – 2000: Florida's Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan*



Appendix 6

Forms

**Lake County Parks & Recreation  
Land Acquisition Program Evaluation Form**

- 1. Name of Property: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Location (attach a location map): \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Provide a Brief Description of the Property, including total acreage and developable acreage (attach site aerial, plat map and photos):  
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- 6. Briefly describe the recreation potential of the site: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 7. Does the acquisition support the land acquisition and park siting criteria as outlined in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan? (Place an X if yes)

**Active Recreation**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel is a minimum of 50 acres in size
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel has no significant development constraints and can support active recreational facilities development and infrastructure
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel is within the vicinity of a proposed park identified in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2015 Map

- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel expands the boundary of an existing park
- \_\_\_\_\_ Acquisition would promote a sustainable pattern of development
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel is adjacent to an existing or planned trail or blueway
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel is easily accessible from collector or arterial roadways
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel can provide connections to other public facilities such as schools, neighborhoods, shopping or downtown
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel provides opportunities for joint facilities or co-location of schools
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provides opportunities for economic development through special events, tournaments, etc.

**Resource-Based Recreation**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Preserves wildlife habitats
- \_\_\_\_\_ Promotes improved water quality
- \_\_\_\_\_ Located within a high aquifer recharge area
- \_\_\_\_\_ Preserves rare natural communities or wildlife habitats
- \_\_\_\_\_ Preserves cultural, historic, scenic and significant geologic features
- \_\_\_\_\_ Establishes natural and recreational corridors
- \_\_\_\_\_ Preserves green space in close proximity to development
- \_\_\_\_\_ Promotes economic development through nature tourism
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provides public use and enjoyment, including access to water bodies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provides resource based recreation opportunities

If 10 or more questions are answered yes, then the County will forward the item to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) and the Public Land Acquisition Advisory Council (PLAAC) for their review and recommendation.

8. Based on the review of the project description and conceptual review of how the acquisition supports the Parks and Recreation Master Plan land acquisition program, do the PRAB and PLAAC direct the preparation of a full project review and report?

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No

Public Land Acquisition Advisory Council: \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No

**Lake County Parks & Recreation  
Land Acquisition Evaluation Report Form**

If the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) and the Public Land Acquisition Advisory Council (PLAAC) determine a site conceptually meets the purpose as outlined in the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan, the following report shall be completed and the information presented to the PRAB and PLAAC for formal action. This form should be attached to the preliminary evaluation form.

Property Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Report Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Prepared: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Property Owner and contact information: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Method of acquisition and funding source (if purchase, provide purchase price as well as acquisition alternatives investigated): \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What is the property currently zoned? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are there any easements or deed restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Are there any improvements on site? (if yes, list) \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Describe the environmental significance of the site (flora, fauna, soils and ecosystems). (attach map from soil survey, maps showing habitat ecosystem as identified by SJRWMD, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Describe the cultural significance of the site: \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Describe the recreation potential of the site: \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. Are there administrative, institutional, or development factors which should be taken into consideration?  
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10. Provide information regarding access to roadways and utilities. \_\_\_\_\_  
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11. Describe surrounding land use: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

12. Provide a land acquisition strategy for action, by outlining in general terms the order of acquisition priority, acquisition methods (i.e., assessed value, need for appraisal, etc.)

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13. Provide additional comments the PRAB and the PLAAC should know regarding the potential acquisition.

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14. PRAB Action and Recommendations: \_\_\_\_\_

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15. PLAAC Action and Recommendations: \_\_\_\_\_

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**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN LAKE COUNTY  
AND THE (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY OR ORGANIZATION) FOR FUNDING OF  
(NAME OF PROJECT)**

**THIS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT** is made and entered into on \_\_\_\_\_, by and between LAKE COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY", and (Name of Municipality or Organization), a Florida (municipal or non-profit) corporation, hereinafter referred to as (" MUNICIPALITY " or "NAME OF ORGANIZATION).

**W I T N E S S E T H:**

**WHEREAS**, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION owns property located at (Address) in (City); and

**WHEREAS**, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION desires to (acquire,/construct) (Name of Project) at (Name of Facility), hereinafter referred to as "the Project" at said location; and

**WHEREAS**, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION has asked COUNTY to financially participate in the (acquisition/construction) of said project; and

**WHEREAS**, (source of funding available and dates of referendum if applicable); and

**WHEREAS**, the COUNTY has approved a Parks and Recreation Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project is consistent with the Parks and Recreation Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION desires to operate and maintain the Project upon its completion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project shall be open to and benefit all residents of LAKE County; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, permits public agencies to enter into Interlocal Agreements with each other to jointly exercise any power, privilege, or authority which such agencies share in common and which each might exercise separately; and

**WHEREAS**, both parties desire to increase the recreational opportunities for residents of LAKE County and to enter into this Interlocal Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises and

representations contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## **ARTICLE 1: GENERAL**

Section 1.01 The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

Section 1.02 The purpose of this Interlocal Agreement is to enhance recreational opportunities for use by the public and thereby provide a mechanism for the COUNTY to assist MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION in the funding of the Project.

Section 1.03 COUNTY will pay to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION a total amount not to exceed (\$ Amount) for the (acquisition, design, construction) of the Project as more fully described in the Project Description, Conceptual Site Plan, and Cost Estimate attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A". MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION recognizes that the County's funding of the Project is being paid from (site funding source) by the County. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION agrees to provide the County with a certification, in a form acceptable to the County, from MUNICIPALITY's/ORGANIZATION's chief financial officer or independent accountant that each cost item for which County funding is requested under Article 3 of this Agreement constitutes a capital expenditure. In that regard, an item is considered a capital expenditure where the item has a useful life and benefit beyond one year or extends the Project's use beyond one year.

Section 1.04 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION agrees to provide funding in an amount of (\$ Amount) or greater to complete the Project. The parties agree that the COUNTY shall provide its portion of the funding only after MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION has expended (\$Amount).

Section 1.05 COUNTY's representative during the design and construction of the Project shall be (Title of County Employee Responsible), Lake County Public Works Department, telephone no. \_\_\_\_\_. MUNICIPALITY's/ORGANIZATION's representative during the (acquisition/design/construction) of the Project shall be (Person's Name, Title, City, Number).

Section 1.06 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION (or County) shall (acquire/design/construct) the Project upon property owned by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION (or County) as more fully described in Exhibit "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Section 1.07 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall utilize its procurement process for all (acquisition/design/construction) services required for the Project. Said procurement process shall be consistent with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations. COUNTY shall have no contractual obligation to any person retained by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION with regard to the Project. Any dispute, claim, or liability that may arise as a result of MUNICIPALITY's/ORGANIZATION's procurement is solely the responsibility of MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION and MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION

hereby holds the COUNTY harmless for same to the extent permitted by law and subject to the limitations of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

## **ARTICLE 2: DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION**

Section 2.01 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION (or County depending on agreement) shall be responsible for the design and construction of the Project. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall design and construct the Project in accordance with Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof, and with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

Section 2.02 Prior to or upon execution of this Interlocal Agreement by the parties hereto, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall initiate its procurement process to select the necessary professional engineer and/or architect to perform all engineering and/or architectural design work, including, but not limited to, the preparation of plans, permits and specifications necessary for the design and construction of the Project.

Section 2.03 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall provide a copy of the engineer's and/or architect's programming phase documents (i.e., site plan, floor plan, elevations, etc.) to the COUNTY's Representative for review. The COUNTY's Representative shall review said programming phase documents to ensure consistency with the intent of this Interlocal Agreement.

Section 2.04 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall be responsible for securing all permits and approvals necessary to construct the Project.

Section 2.05 Prior to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION commencing construction of the Project, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall provide a copy of all plans and specifications, along with the associated costs thereof, to the COUNTY's Representative for review to ensure consistency with the intent of this Interlocal Agreement.

Section 2.06 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION agrees to totally complete the Project and open same to the public for its intended use within thirty six (36) months from the date of execution of this Interlocal Agreement by the parties hereto. Upon notification to the COUNTY at least ninety (90) days prior to that date; MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION may request an extension beyond this period for the purpose of completing the Project. COUNTY shall not unreasonably deny MUNICIPALITY's/ORGANIZATION's request for said extension.

Section 2.07 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall submit quarterly project status reports to the COUNTY's Representative on or before January 10, April 10, July 10, and October 10 during the design and construction of the Project. These Quarterly reports shall include but not be limited to, a summary of the work accomplished, problems encountered, percentage of completion, and other information as deemed appropriate by the COUNTY's

Representative.

### **ARTICLE 3: FUNDING**

Section 3.01 The total not to exceed amount as set forth in Section 1.03 herein above shall be paid by COUNTY to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION on a reimbursable basis. Any costs incurred in connection with the Project in excess of that amount shall be the sole responsibility of MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION. Should the total cost of the Project exceed the amount as projected by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall appropriate and expend the excess funds required for completion of the Project. The COUNTY shall not dispense any funds to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION for the Project until MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION has appropriated and expended said excess funds for the Project.

Section 3.02 The COUNTY shall reimburse project costs under the terms of this Agreement to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION on a quarterly basis from the date of execution of this Interlocal Agreement; however, should the need arise for MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION to be reimbursed on a more frequent basis, then COUNTY will, at MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION 's specific request for each instance, make its best efforts to reimburse MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION within forty five (45) days of such special request. For each requested payment, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall provide to the COUNTY's Representative a fully completed and executed Contract Payment Request Form and a Contractual Services Purchase Schedule Form, attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "C". Said forms shall include information listing each invoice as paid by the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION and shall include the vendor invoice number; invoice date; and the amount paid by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION along with the number and date of the respective check for said payment. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall attach a copy of each vendor invoice paid by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION along with a copy of each respective check and shall make reference thereof to the applicable item listed on the Contractual Services Purchase Schedule Form. Further, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION 's Project Administrator and Project Financial Officer shall certify the total funds spent by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION on the Project and shall also certify that each vendor invoice as listed on the Contractual Services Purchase Schedule Form was paid by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION as indicated.

Section 3.03 The COUNTY shall retain not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount allocated to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION for the Project until MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION completes the Project and provides COUNTY with either a Certificate of Occupancy or a Project Completion Certification as determined by COUNTY, and the COUNTY receives and approves all documentation as required in accordance with this Interlocal Agreement. The COUNTY's representative shall visit the Project site to verify and approve said final reimbursement.

Section 3.04 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall provide a request for final

reimbursement to the COUNTY no later than ninety (90) days following completion of the Project and provision of either a Certificate of Occupancy or Project Completion Certification to the County.

Section 3.05 The County agrees to reimburse MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION an amount not to exceed \$(Amount) for those approved pre-agreement costs accruing to the Project subsequent to November 5, 2002, as more fully described in Exhibit "D", Pre-Agreement Cost List.

Section 3.06 For construction projects fully funded by the County, no more than 10% of the County's funding for the project shall be used for design and engineering costs for the project and be eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement. For construction projects not fully funded by the County, all design and engineering costs associated with the project shall be borne by the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION, and will not be eligible for reimbursement from the County.

Section 3.07 County shall reimburse Project costs only after MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION has expended its share of Project funding in its entirety. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall provide the County with a certification, in a form acceptable to the County, from an independent auditor that the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION has complied with this Project funding provision. The County will be entitled to rely on that certification in reimbursing Project costs to the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION under this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 4: OWNERSHIP, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PROJECT**

Section 4.01 Upon completion, the Project shall remain the property of the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION. The COUNTY shall not be required to pay MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION any additional funds for any other capital improvement required by or of MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION.

Section 4.02 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION hereby warrants and represents that it has full legal authority and financial ability to operate and maintain said Project. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall be responsible for all costs, expenses, fees and charges, and liability related to the operation and maintenance of the Project.

Section 4.03 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall operate and maintain the Project for its intended use by the general public for a term of thirty (30) years from the execution of this Interlocal Agreement by the parties hereto. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall maintain the Project in accordance with industry standards for such facilities to prevent undue deterioration and to encourage public use.

Section 4.04 The rights and duties arising under this Interlocal Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and

assigns. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION may not assign this Interlocal Agreement or any interest hereunder without the express prior written consent of the COUNTY.

Section 4.05 It is the intent of COUNTY to issue this funding assistance to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION for the purpose set forth hereinabove. In the event MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION transfers ownership of the Project to a party or parties not now a part of this Interlocal Agreement, other than another governmental entity that agrees to assume, in writing, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION 's obligations hereunder, COUNTY retains the right to reimbursement from MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION for its participation to the full extent of the funding assistance awarded to accomplish the Project. Should MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION transfer management of the project to a party or parties not now a part of this Interlocal Agreement, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall continue to be responsible for the liabilities and obligations as set forth herein. Further, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall not transfer management of the Project to a third party without the written consent of the COUNTY.

#### **ARTICLE 5: USE OF THE PROJECT**

Section 5.01 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION warrants that the Project shall serve a public recreational or cultural purpose and be open to and benefit all residents of LAKE County and shall be available thereto on the same cost and availability basis as to residents of MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, religion, ancestry, marital status or sexual orientation with respect to use of the Project.

Section 5.02 The term of this Interlocal Agreement shall be for a period of thirty (30) years commencing upon the date of execution of this Interlocal Agreement by the parties hereto. MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall restrict its use of the Project to recreational, cultural, civic, community and social purposes only unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties hereto.

Section 5.03 MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall affix a permanent plaque or marker in a prominent location at the completed Project indicating that the COUNTY was a contributor to the development of the Project. Said plaque or marker shall include the County seal and a list of County Commissioners, unless otherwise directed by the COUNTY's Representative.

#### **ARTICLE 6: ACCESS AND AUDITS**

MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall maintain adequate records to justify all charges, expenses, and costs incurred in estimating and performing the (acquisition/design/construction) of the Project for at least five (5) years after the end of the fiscal year in which the final payment is released by the COUNTY, except that such records shall be retained by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION until final resolution of matters resulting from any litigation, claim, or special audit that starts prior to the expiration of the

five (5) year period. The COUNTY reserves the right, upon reasonable request and during normal business hours, to inspect said Project and shall have access to such books, records, and documents as required in this section for the purpose of inspection or audit.

## **ARTICLE 7: NOTICES**

Any notice given pursuant to the terms of this Interlocal Agreement shall be in writing and hand delivered or sent by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. All notices shall be addressed to the following:

As to the COUNTY:

Director of Parks and Recreation  
LAKE County Parks and Recreation Department  
28127 CR 561  
Tavares, Florida 32778

With a copy to:

County Attorney  
301 North Olive Avenue, Suite 601  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

As to the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION:

Title  
Name of City  
City Hall  
Address  
City, Florida Zip

## **ARTICLE 8: TERMINATION FOR NON-COMPLIANCE**

The COUNTY may terminate this Interlocal Agreement upon written notice to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION for non-compliance by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION in the performance of any of the terms and conditions as set forth herein and where MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION does not cure said non-compliance within ninety (90) days of receipt of written notice from the COUNTY to do so. Further, if MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION does not cure said non-compliance within the time frame specified above, then upon written notice, the COUNTY may require MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION to reimburse any funds provided to MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION pursuant to this Interlocal Agreement either in whole or in part once the COUNTY has reasonably determined that no other remedy is available.

## **ARTICLE 9: REMEDIES**

This Interlocal Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any and all legal action necessary to enforce the Interlocal Agreement will be held in LAKE County. No remedy herein conferred upon any party is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof. The parties hereto may pursue any and all actions available under law to enforce this Interlocal Agreement including, but not limited to, actions arising from the breach of any provision set forth herein.

## **ARTICLE 10: FILING**

A copy of this Interlocal Agreement shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for LAKE County.

## **ARTICLE 11: INDEMNIFICATION**

It is understood and agreed that MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION is merely a recipient of County funding and is an independent contractor and is not an agent, servant or employee of County or its Board of County Commissioners. In the event a claim or lawsuit is brought against County or any of its officers, agents or employees, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall indemnify, save and hold harmless and defend the County, its officers, agents, and/or employees from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, judgments, and/or causes of action of any type arriving out of or relating to any intentional or negligent act or omission of MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION, its agents, servants and/or employees in the performance of this Agreement. The foregoing indemnification shall survive termination of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 12: INSURANCE**

Without waiving the right to sovereign immunity as provided by Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION acknowledges to be either insured or self-insured for General Liability and Automobile Liability under Florida sovereign immunity statutes with coverage limits of \$100,000 Per Person and \$200,000 Per Occurrence; or such monetary waiver limits that may change and be set forth by the legislature.

The MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION agrees to maintain or to be self-insured for Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance in accordance with Florida Statutes Chapter 440.

The MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION agrees to maintain or acknowledges to be self-insured for property insurance, which would include builder's risk insurance while the project is in the course of construction in an amount at least equal to the estimated completed project value as well as subsequent modifications of that sum; thereafter, All-Risk property insurance for adequate limits based on the MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION'S replacement cost or probable maximum loss estimates for the perils of either fire, wind, or flood.

MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall agree to be fully responsible for any deductible or self-insured retention.

The MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall agree to provide a statement or Certificate of Insurance evidencing insurance, self-insurance, and/or sovereign immunity status, which COUNTY agrees to recognize as acceptable for the above mentioned coverages.

Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION of its liability and obligations under this Interlocal Agreement.

The MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION shall require each Contractor engaged by MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION for work associated with this Agreement to maintain:

1. Workers' Compensation coverage in accordance with Florida Statutes including endorsements for U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers Compensation Act and the Merchant Marine Act (Jones Act) in the event any portion of the scope of services/work occurs over, near, or contiguous to any navigable bodies of water.
2. Commercial General Liability coverage at limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence. The COUNTY shall be added an "Additional Insured".
3. Business Auto Insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Each Accident.
4. If the construction work being performed exceeds \$200,000, a payment and performance bond for the total amount of their construction contract, in accordance with Florida Statute 255.05.

### **ARTICLE 13: PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

As provided in Section 287.132-133, Florida Statutes, by entering into this contract or performing any work in furtherance hereof, MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION certifies that it, its affiliates, suppliers, subcontractors and consultants who will perform hereunder, have not been placed on the convicted vendor list maintained by the State of Florida Department of Management Services within the 36 months immediately preceding the date hereof. This notice is required by Section 287.133 (3)(a), Florida Statutes.

### **ARTICLE 14: CAPTIONS**

The captions and section designations herein set forth are for convenience only and shall have no substantive meaning.

### **ARTICLE 15: SEVERABILITY**

If any term or provision of this Interlocal Agreement, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall to any extent be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Interlocal Agreement, or the application of such term or provision, to any person or circumstance other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected, and every other term and provision of this Interlocal Agreement shall be deemed valid and enforceable to the extent permitted by law.

### **ARTICLE 16: ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT**

This Interlocal Agreement represents the entire understanding between the COUNTY and MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION, and supersedes all other negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral, relating to this Interlocal Agreement. None of the provisions, terms and conditions contained in this Interlocal Agreement may be added to, modified, superseded or otherwise altered, except by written instrument executed by the parties hereto.

### **ARTICLE 17: THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

This Agreement is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns subject to the express provisions hereof relating to successors and assigns, and no other person shall have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Agreement as a third-party beneficiary or otherwise.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have caused this Interlocal Agreement to be executed on the day and year first above written.

**ATTEST:**  
\_\_\_\_\_, **CLERK**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

**LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Chair

**ATTEST:**

**(Name of MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION)**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND  
CONDITIONS:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Director  
Parks and Recreation Department

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**MUNICIPALITY/ORGANIZATION** Attorney

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

By:  
County Attorney

## **LIST OF EXHIBITS**

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# EXHIBIT A

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### LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

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**PRE-AGREEMENT COST LIST (IF APPLICABLE)**