

# City of Alexandria, Virginia

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: WILLIAM CHESLEY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, RECREATION SERVICES

SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 COMMISSION MEETING - ITEM III  
RECREATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES REPORT

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- Summer recreation programs and/or camps for youth were offered at the 7 full-time neighborhood recreation centers, Chinquapin Center, Jerome Ford Nature Center, and at a variety of other park, playground and school sites. The theme of the 2009 Summer Fun Programs at the Neighborhood recreation centers and playground sites was “Travels Through Time.” More than 1300 children were enrolled in the programs at the neighborhood recreation centers and playground sites. There were 1055 registrations for children in a variety of fee camps offered by the Department which generated \$126,000 in revenue.
- Staff at the neighborhood recreation centers made a concerted effort this summer to inform the community about the new Out of School Time Program fees that will be implemented beginning with the start of the 2009-2010 school year program. The annual fee for the program is \$75.00. The community as a whole was supportive of the fee. Financial assistance is available to those who are eligible and apply for it.
- The Youth Sports Section offered several new fee based programs this summer in addition to the regular programs offered during the summer months. A field Hockey Camp (54 children) and a Little Slammers Basketball Camp for 5-6 year olds were offered this summer. The Wahoo swim team consisted of 108 children, which is an increase of 20 children from the previous year’s program. There were 52 children registered for the Titan Track Club, which is an increase of 17 children from the previous year’s program.
- Outdoor pool attendance increased slightly at the Old Town and Warwick Pools. This increase is likely due to the closing of the Nannie J. Lee and Colasanto Pools. More specific data will be available once the 2009 Outdoor Pool Program report is finalized.
- A late night basketball league for teens and adults was offered on Thursday nights at the Charles Houston Recreation Center from mid-July to the second week of September. There were 57 participants and over 50 spectators per evening.

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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

**TO:** PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

**FROM:** RON M. KAGAWA, ASLA LEED AP  
ACTING DIVISION CHIEF, PARK PLANNING

**SUBJECT:** UPDATE ON FOUR MILE RUN STREAM RESTORATION PROJECT  
DESIGN GUIDELINES & MOUNT VERNON AVE. PROPERTIES-ITEM IV

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### **Design Guidelines:**

- The Four Mile Run Design Guidelines (Design Guidelines) are an implementation task of the Four Mile Run Restoration Master Plan (Master Plan). The Master Plan, approved in May 2006 by Arlington and the Alexandria Planning Commission and City Council, establishes a vision for Four Mile Run. The Design Guidelines will help guide the Master Plan recommendations to fruition by establishing a design language and framework for current channel and habitat restoration efforts, flood protection measures, and future development goals.
- The Master Plan vision of Four Mile Run is a restored stream channel with naturalized elements; balancing human needs of flood control and water conveyance, recreation, and active and passive usage. An important principle of the Master Plan is the transformation of Four Mile Run into a re-naturalized public and civic space. This includes the restoration of the stream channel and banks, the promotion of native vegetative habitat for plant and animal species, and flood protection is maintained. Four Mile Run will be reclaimed as a community amenity.
- The Design Guidelines establish standards for developers, artists, landscape architects, City and County staff, citizens, and property owners. Consistent with Alexandria's Eco-City Charter and Green Building Policy, the Design Guidelines will promote green design principles and environmental sustainability. The document will influence trails, site furnishings, public spaces, circulation, public art, building form, site orientation, viewsheds, stormwater management, and lighting adjacent to the Run. The Design Guidelines will be implemented for properties adjacent to Four Mile Run through the development review process.

- The Design Guidelines reflect the desire of both jurisdictions to promote environmental stewardship (encourages use of green roofs, stormwater management best practices, use of recycled materials), economic sustainability (selecting materials whose character is enhanced by weathering over time and thereby do not require burdensome maintenance), and a visual aesthetic that celebrates what the Run has been (utilitarian space) but looks forward to what it can become – a model urban waterway. This document focuses on three fundamentals:
  - 1). Flood protection is the first priority. Hydrology will not be negatively impacted, though may be enhanced, through the implementation of these guidelines.
  - 2). This document does not change any current zoning or land use designations.
  - 3). As a living document, the Design Guidelines will adjust as-necessary to accommodate new advances in technology (channel and habitat restoration efforts, stormwater management, etc.) and best practices in land use development.
- The Design Guidelines were unanimously approved by the Alexandria Planning Commission on September 1, 2009 and by the Arlington County Planning Commission on September 14, 2009. As an implementation process of the previously approved Master Plan, approval of the Design Guidelines by the Alexandria City Council is not required. Approval by the Arlington County Board of Supervisors is anticipated on September 26, 2009 via the Board's consent calendar.

#### **Mount Vernon Avenue Properties**

- The Mount Vernon Avenue Properties are located at 4109 Mount Vernon Avenue. The open space parcels were purchased in 2007 through the City's Open Space Fund in accordance with Alexandria's Open Space Master. The Arlandria Small Area Plan and Four Mile Run Restoration Master Plan both anticipated the use of this property as public open space with park related uses.
- RPCA hosted a public informational meeting on-site on August 6, 2009. In partnership with P&Z and T&ES, staff provided an update to the community regarding upcoming planning for the four parcels and gathered input about potential park elements that would support community use of the properties.
- P&Z staff in coordination with RPCA, will submit a docket item recommending that City Council to establish an Implementation Advisory Group for Arlandria at their October 17 public hearing. A kick-off meeting of the Advisory Group will be held shortly thereafter, with the interim park planning efforts for the subject parcels as a first item on the Group's agenda. It is anticipated that the public planning process for these parcels will occur during 2009-2010.

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: JACK BROWAND, INTERIM DIVISION CHIEF, ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 COMMISSION MEETING - ITEM V  
DISCUSSION ON THE NEED FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE  
PROPOSED FEE INCREASES

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The Department is recommending that the Park and Recreation Commission hold a Public Hearing for staff to present and identify proposed new fees and fee increases to existing fees as part of the FY 2011 Budget Process. The Department will coordinate with the City Manager's Office as to when to schedule the hearing. Options would include one of the regularly scheduled meetings in November or January, or a special meeting in December.

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SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 COMMISSION MEETING - ITEM VI  
GENERAL BUDGET UPDATE (CITY SCHEDULE)

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The Department began budget preparations in August 2009. The schedule for the FY 2011 Budget is as follows:

- Early September 2009 - Department provided proposed reductions to meet the identified Department budget reduction target of approximately \$1.45 million. In addition, the Department submitted supplementals for consideration and proposed new fees and increases to existing fees.
- September 2009 through November 2009 - Department staff work with OMB and CMO to clarify and finalize Department reduction options.
- December 2009 through January 2010 - CMO and OMB finalize FY 2011 City Budget
- February 2010 - City Manager presents proposed FY 2011 Budget to City Council
- February 2010 through April 2010 - City Council holds Budget Deliberations with City Staff and holds Public Hearings
- May 2010 - City Council formally adopts FY 2011 City Budget

James B. Spengler, Director, will provide a report on the Department's reduction strategy in the Director's Report.

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DATE: SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: MARY STEPHENSON, PARK PLANNER

SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 COMMISSION MEETING - ITEM VII  
2009 SYNTHETIC FIELD CONVERSION STUDY

<b>Project Name:</b> 2009 Synthetic Field Conversion Study	Park & Recreation Commission	September 17, 2009
<b>Description:</b> Staff to present a study that classifies fields based on suitability for conversion to synthetic turf. The presentation includes a recommendation that Ben Brenman rectangular field be considered as the next candidate for synthetic turf conversion.		

### I. SUMMARY

Staff recommends the rectangular field at Ben Brenman as the next candidate for conversion to synthetic turf. This recommendation was made at the conclusion of a matrix study that evaluated the City's athletic fields on 9 weighted factors: (1) size, (2) direct fiscal impact, (3) process, (4) impact to an existing use, (5) location, (6) field condition, (7) public access & site amenities, (8) indirect fiscal impact and (9) constructability. The study's validity was tested with four matrices, each with factors of varying weights. In all four matrices, Ben Brenman and Hammond Upper fields consistently ranked at the top. Staff recommends the fourth matrix and its associated weights as the best measure of suitability for conversion. The results of matrix four are as follows:

1. Ben Brenman Field
2. Hammond Upper
3. George Washington 1
4. Hammond Lower
5. Hensley
6. Patrick Henry
7. George Washington 2
8. Stevenson
9. Lee Center
10. Ramsay
11. Braddock
12. Boothe
13. John Adams
14. George Mason

## II. BACKGROUND

In 2006, Pros Consulting was hired to prepare the Athletic Fields Mater Plan. The plan concluded that Alexandria had a shortage of fields, that existing fields lacked the capacity to handle programming levels, and that many fields were in poor condition. As one solution, the Master Plan recommended conversion of some fields to synthetic turf.

In Fall 2007, Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities studied fields that were candidates for conversion to synthetic turf. The study yielded a five-year conversion strategy that was presented to the Youth Sports Advisory Board and the Park & Recreation Commission. Since that time, conditions and priorities have changed. Thus, the purpose of the 2009 study is to update the 2007 study by refining the criteria on which the fields are judged.

## III. METHODOLOGY

Inventory & Analysis. In preparation for this study, the Department underwent a detailed inventory and analysis of existing conditions. The inventory defined the difference between "fields" and "overlays", and established criteria for judging field conditions and the facilities that house them (see Appendix 1). Using the inventory, a geographic analysis was performed to determine where the best fields and facilities were located and if there were any underserved areas of the City (see Appendix 2).

Fields Considered for Conversion. Based on needs of the City, staff determined that only fields that could accommodate a 320' x 185' play surface would be considered<sup>1</sup>. However, if a field was already converted or was exclusively used as a diamond or open space, it was not considered even if it met the size requirement. The following fields were considered based on this standard: Braddock, Ben Brenman, George Washington 1 & 2, Hammond Upper & Lower, Hensley, Patrick Henry, John Adams, Ramsay, Stevenson, Lee Center, George Mason, and Boothe<sup>2</sup>.

Weighted Criteria. Based on input from the Park & Recreation Commission, Park Maintenance and Operations Division, Recreation Services and Park Planning, nine criteria were established for evaluating the fields. For each criterion, fields were scored on a scale of 1 - 3 with 1 being the least favorable condition and 3 being the most favorable. See the scoring column in the table below for more detailed information on the scoring mechanism. Additionally, the criteria were weighted based on four different weighting strategies. These weights are shown in the last four columns of the table below<sup>3</sup>:

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<sup>1</sup> These dimensions include a regulation soccer field (300' x 165') with 10' of run-out on each side.

<sup>2</sup> Four Mile Run was not included even though it met the size requirement. This is due to the City's 2008 investment in the natural turf at this location and restrictions on active use in Four Mile Run's Resource Protection Area.

<sup>3</sup> Weights were determined by grouping the criteria into relative order of importance and assigning a relative weight. The relative weight of the least important criteria is 1 and other criteria are assigned a number relative to the least important criteria. The number in each group and the relative weights are then plugged into a formula whereas  $[(\# \text{ of criteria in Group 1}) * (\text{relative weight Group 2}) * X] + [(\# \text{ of criteria in Group 2}) * (\text{relative weight of Group 2}) * X] + [(\# \text{ of criteria in Group 3}) * (\text{relative weight of Group 3}) * X] \dots = 1$ . In this scenario, X is equal the weight of the least

Figure 1:

2009 Study Criteria	Comments	Scoring	Matrix 1 Weights	Matrix 2 Weights	Matrix 3 Weights	Matrix 4 Weights
Size	At a minimum, all considered fields will be 320' x 185' (regulation soccer with run-out)	3 = Accommodates a minimum of lacrosse (350' x 200') 2 = Accommodates a minimum of regulation field hockey (320' x 200') 1 = Accommodates a minimum of regulation soccer field (320' x 185')	0.1951	0.1395	0.1026	0.0889
Direct Fiscal Impact	Accounts for expected cost of the field.	3 = No foreseen constraints that would increase base price of a synthetic field. 2 = Constraints foreseen that would likely increase base price no more than \$300,000. 1 = Constraints foreseen that would likely increase base price \$300,000 or more.	0.1951	0.1860	0.2051	0.2222
Process	Accounts for public support and/or internal obstacles to conversion, including zoning and approvals for lighting; This criteria assumes that the field will include proposed lighting.	3 = Exceptionally few foreseen obstacles to conversion. 2 = Foreseen obstacles are typical for a conversion. 1 = Foreseen obstacles are significant and may impact success of project.	0.1951	0.1860	0.1538	0.1778
Impact to an Existing Use	Accounts for conversion of overlays that will impact a diamond field or passive open space; accounts for opportunities to improve existing or adjacent use/sport.	3 = Conversion causes no negative impact to an existing use or sport. 2 = Conversion causes negative impact to an existing use or sport. 1 = Conversion causes negative impact to an existing use or sport and to the associated recreation program.	0.0976	0.1860	0.2051	0.2222

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important criteria. The other weights are determined by multiplying the value of X by the relative weight assigned to that criterion.

Location	Ability of field to fill an underserved area of the City	3 = Located at least one and a half miles from an existing synthetic field*. 2 = Located at least one mile from an existing synthetic field*. 1 = Located within one mile of an existing synthetic field*. *or a synthetic field nearing construction	0.0976	0.0930	0.1026	0.0889
Field Condition	Accounts for overall value to the City of renovating a field in poor condition	3 = Current field condition is Poor. 2 = Current field condition is Fair. 1 = Current field condition is Good or Excellent. *Per 2009 Field Inventory	0.0976	0.0930	0.1026	0.0889
Public Access & Site Amenities	Ability of related site features (such as restrooms and parking) to accommodate users	3 = Facility would be rated* as a Level 1 or Level 2 after conversion 2 = Facility would be rated* as a Level 3 after conversion 1 = Facility would be rated* as a Level 4 after conversion  *Per 2009 Field Inventory	0.0488	0.0465	0.0513	0.0444
Indirect Fiscal Impact	Likelihood of private contributions from developers or partners; Could also include other economic benefits or detriments to conversion	3 = Positive indirect fiscal impact is anticipated 2 = No indirect fiscal impact anticipated 1 - Negative indirect fiscal impact is anticipated	0.0488	0.0465	0.0513	0.0444
Constructability	Accounts for construction obstacles <i>exclusive from</i> cost to overcome the obstacles	3 = No constructability concerns are anticipated 2 = Minimal constructability concerns are anticipated 1 = Significant constructability concerns are anticipated	0.0244	0.0233	0.0256	0.0222
<b>TOTAL</b>			1	1	1	1

Scoring. Scores were ascribed by a work group composed of representatives from the Recreation Services Division, Park Maintenance and Operations, and Park Planning. The work group visited the fields and discussed the criteria as a team. After the site visits, team members scored the fields individually based on the criteria set forth above. Scores were reconciled through group discussion. Below are the scores assigned for each field:

Figure 2:

2009 Conversion Study - Field Scoring

Criteria	Size	Direct Fiscal Impact	Process	Impact to an Existing Use	Location	Field Condition	Public Access & Site Amenities	Indirect Fiscal Impact	Constructability
Braddock	3	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	3
Brenman	3	3	1	3	3	2	3	2	3
Boothe	2	3	1	1	3	2	3	2	3
George Mason	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
George Washington 1	3	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3
George Washington 2	1	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3
Hammond Lower	3	1	3	3	1	3	2	3	1
Hammond Upper	3	3	2	3	1	3	1	2	2
Hensley*	1	1	3	3	3	2	3	3	2
John Adams	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2
Lee Center	1	3	1	2	2	3	2	2	3
Patrick Henry	1	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2
Ramsay	1	1	3	2	2	3	2	2	1
Stevenson	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	1

#### IV. RESULTS

The total score for each field was calculated by multiplying the weight times the score, then adding these values for all nine criteria. The results shown below were calculated for four matrices using different weighting strategies shown in Figure 1. Ben Brenman and Hammond Upper rose to the top in all four matrices while John Adams and George Mason were consistently at the bottom. Those in the middle fluctuated based on the weighting strategy. Staff recommends the weights and resulting scores from Matrix 4 as the most representative of the City's priorities (See Appendix 3 for details of Matrix 4).

Figure 3:

Matrix 1: 8,8,8,4	Score	Matrix 2: 6,8,8,8	Score	Matrix 3: 4,8,6,8	Score	Matrix 4: 4,10,8,10	Score
1 Brenman	2.46	Brenman	2.49	Brenman	2.54	Brenman	2.51
2 Hammond Upper	2.44	Hammond Upper	2.47	Hammond Upper	2.46	Hammond Upper	2.49
3 Hammond Lower	2.32	Hammond Lower	2.35	George Washington 1	2.28	George Washington 1	2.29
4 George Washington 1	2.22	George Washington 1	2.26	Hammond Lower	2.28	Hammond Lower	2.29
5 Braddock	2.12	Hensley*	2.23	Hensley*	2.26	Hensley*	2.27
6 Hensley*	2.10	Patrick Henry	2.14	Patrick Henry	2.21	Patrick Henry	2.22
7 Boothe	2.07	Braddock	2.07	George Washington 2	2.08	George Washington 2	2.11
8 Patrick Henry	2.00	Stevenson	2.02	Stevenson	2.08	Stevenson	2.07
9 Stevenson	1.98	Boothe	1.98	Braddock	2.08	Lee Center	2.07
10 Lee Center	1.93	Lee Center	1.98	Lee Center	2.08	Ramsay	2.07
11 Ramsay	1.88	George Washington 2	1.98	Boothe	2.03	Braddock	2.02
12 George Washington 2	1.83	Ramsay	1.93	Ramsay	1.92	Boothe	1.98
13 John Adams	1.80	John Adams	1.77	John Adams	1.79	John Adams	1.78
14 George Mason	1.44	George Mason	1.51	George Mason	1.56	George Mason	1.58

## V. DISCUSSION

Staff recommends Ben Brenman field as the next area for synthetic conversion. While Hammond scored higher than Brenman in the process and field condition criteria, Brenman scored higher in the location, site amenities and constructability categories. If constructed, Brenman would already have many of the necessary amenities such as restrooms and fencing whereas Hammond would require construction of these additional features. Furthermore, Hammond is within a one-mile radius of an existing synthetic field (Fort Ward). This area of the City is already well served by synthetic fields. Brenman resides outside of both the 1- and 1.5-mile buffer which makes it more desirable.

It is important to note that while the matrix is a good tool for sorting through complex factors, the scores do not necessarily signify that certain fields are poorly suited for conversion. Instead, the results indicate which fields will most likely meet the City's needs in 2009. For example, fields that scored lower due to anticipated process difficulties (such as Lee Center) may become more desirable in the future if lighting is not required. Additionally, fields that were not considered in 2009 due to their size (such as Ewald) may become more desirable if a critical mass of larger fields is constructed.

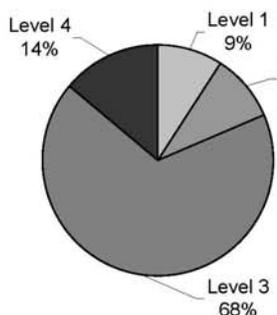
# Appendix 1

## Inventory of Fields and Overlays

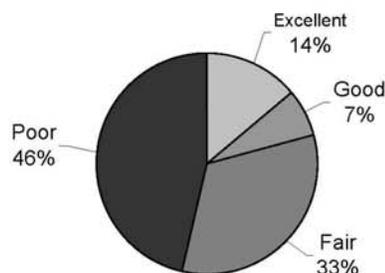
ID	Park Name	Type	Shape	District	Level	Engn	Lights	Irrigation	Condition	Sport
1	Angel	Field	Diamond	Fort Ward	3	N	N	N	Fair	
1	Boothe	Field	Diamond	Brenman	2	Eng	Y	Y	Fair	Softball
1	Braddock	Field	Rectangle	Simpson	3	N	N	N	Poor	Football
2	Braddock	Field	Rectangle	Simpson	3	N	N	N	Poor	
2	Brenman	Field	Diamond	Brenman	3	Eng	N	Y	Fair	Softball
3	Brenman	Field	Rectangle	Brenman	3	Eng	N	Y	Fair	
1	Brenman	Field	Diamond	Brenman	3	Eng	N	Y	Good	
1	Charles Barrett	Field	Diamond	Four Mile	4	N	N	N	Fair	
1	Ewald	Field	Rectangle	Holmes Run	4	N	N	N	Poor	Soccer
1	Fort Ward	Field	Rectangle	Fort Ward	1	Syn	Y	Y	Excellent	
1	Four Mile Run	Field	Diamond	Four Mile	1	Eng	Y	Y	Excellent	Baseball
2	Four Mile Run	Field	Diamond	Four Mile	2	N	Y	Y	Fair	Softball
3	Four Mile Run	Field	Diamond	Four Mile	3	N	N	N	Poor	
4	Four Mile Run	Field	Rectangle	Four Mile	3	N	Y	Y	Excellent	
1	George Mason	Field	Diamond	Four Mile	3	N	N	N	Fair	
2	George Mason	Field	Diamond	Four Mile	3	N	N	N	Fair	
1	George Washington	Field	Rectangle	Simpson	3	Eng	N	Y	Good	
2	George Washington	Field	Rectangle	Simpson	3	Eng	N	Y	Excellent	
2	Hammond (Lower)	Field	Rectangle	Fort Ward	3	N	N	Y	Poor	Soccer, Rugby
1	Hammond (Upper)	Field	Rectangle	Fort Ward	4	N	N	Y	Poor	
4	Hensley	Field	Rectangle	Holmes Run	2	N	Y	Y	Fair	
2	Hensley	Field	Diamond	Holmes Run	3	N	Y	N	Fair	Softball
1	Hensley	Field	Diamond	Holmes Run	3	N	Y	Y	Good	Softball
3	Hensley	Field	Diamond	Holmes Run	3	N	Y	N	Poor	Softball
1	Jefferson Houston	Field	Rectangle	Simpson	3	N	N	N	Poor	
1	John Adams/ Chambliss	Field	Diamond	Holmes Run	3	N	N	N	Poor	
1	Lee Center	Field	Diamond	Waterfront	3	N	N	N	Poor	
2	Lee Center	Field	Diamond	Waterfront	4	N	N	N	Poor	
1	Lockett	Field	Diamond	Holmes Run	3	N	Y	Y	Good	
1	Lyles-Crouch	Field	Diamond	Waterfront	4	N	N	N	Poor	Practice
1	Maurv	Field	Diamond	Four Mile	4	N	N	N	Poor	
1	Minnie Howard	Field	Rectangle	Fort Ward	1	Syn	Y	Y	Excellent	
1	Mount Vernon	Field	Diamond	Simpson	3	N	N	N	Poor	
1	Patrick Henry	Field	Rectangle	Holmes Run	3	N	N	N	Poor	
2	Patrick Henry	Field	Diamond	Holmes Run	3	N	N	N	Poor	
1	Polk	Field	Rectangle	Holmes Run	3	N	N	N	Poor	
2	Polk	Field	Rectangle	Holmes Run	3	N	N	N	Poor	
1	Potomac Yard	Field	Rectangle	Simpson	3	N	N	Y	Fair	
2	Potomac Yard	Field	Rectangle	Simpson	3	N	N	Y	Fair	
1	Ramsay	Field	Diamond	Holmes Run	3	N	N	N	Poor	
1	Simpson	Field	Diamond	Simpson	1	Eng	Y	Y	Excellent	Baseball
2	Simpson	Field	Diamond	Simpson	2	N	Y	Y	Excellent	Little League
1	Stevenson	Field	Diamond	Brenman	3	N	N	N	Poor	
1	T.C. Williams	Field	Rectangle	Fort Ward		Syn	N	N	Excellent	
2	Angel	Overlay	Rectangle	Fort Ward		N	N	N		
2	Boothe	Overlay	Rectangle	Brenman		N	Y	Y		Soccer
3	Braddock	Overlay	Diamond	Simpson		N	N	N		
4	Braddock	Overlay	Diamond	Simpson		N	N	N		
4	Brenman	Overlay	Rectangle	Brenman		N	N	Y		
1	Brookvalley	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	N	N		
2	Brookvalley	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	N	N		
3	Brookvalley	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	N	N		
2	Charles Barrett	Overlay	Rectangle	Four Mile		N	N	N		
1	Chinquapin	Overlay	Rectangle	Fort Ward		N	N	N		Football
2	Chinquapin	Overlay	Rectangle	Fort Ward		N	N	N		Lacrosse/Band
3	Chinquapin	Overlay	Rectangle	Fort Ward		N	N	N		Lacrosse/Band
5	Four Mile Run	Overlay	Rectangle	Four Mile		N	Y	Y		
6	Four Mile Run	Overlay	Rectangle	Four Mile		N	N	N		
3	George Mason	Overlay	Rectangle	Four Mile		N	N	N		
5	Hensley	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	Y	N		
6	Hensley	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	Y	N		
7	Hensley	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	Y	N		
8	Hensley	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	Y	N		
2	John Adams/ Chambliss	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	N	N		
3	Lee Center	Overlay	Rectangle	Waterfront		N	N	N		
2	Mount Vernon	Overlay	Rectangle	Simpson		N	N	N		
3	Patrick Henry	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	N	N		
3	Polk	Overlay	Diamond	Holmes Run		N	N	N		
2	Ramsay	Overlay	Rectangle	Holmes Run		N	N	N		
2	Stevenson	Overlay	Rectangle	Brenman		N	N	N		
2	Minnie Howard (phase 2)		Rectangle	Fort Ward						
1	Witter		Rectangle	Witter						
2	Witter		Rectangle	Witter						
3	Witter		Diamond	Witter						

Play Areas By Type	
Fields	44
Overlays	26

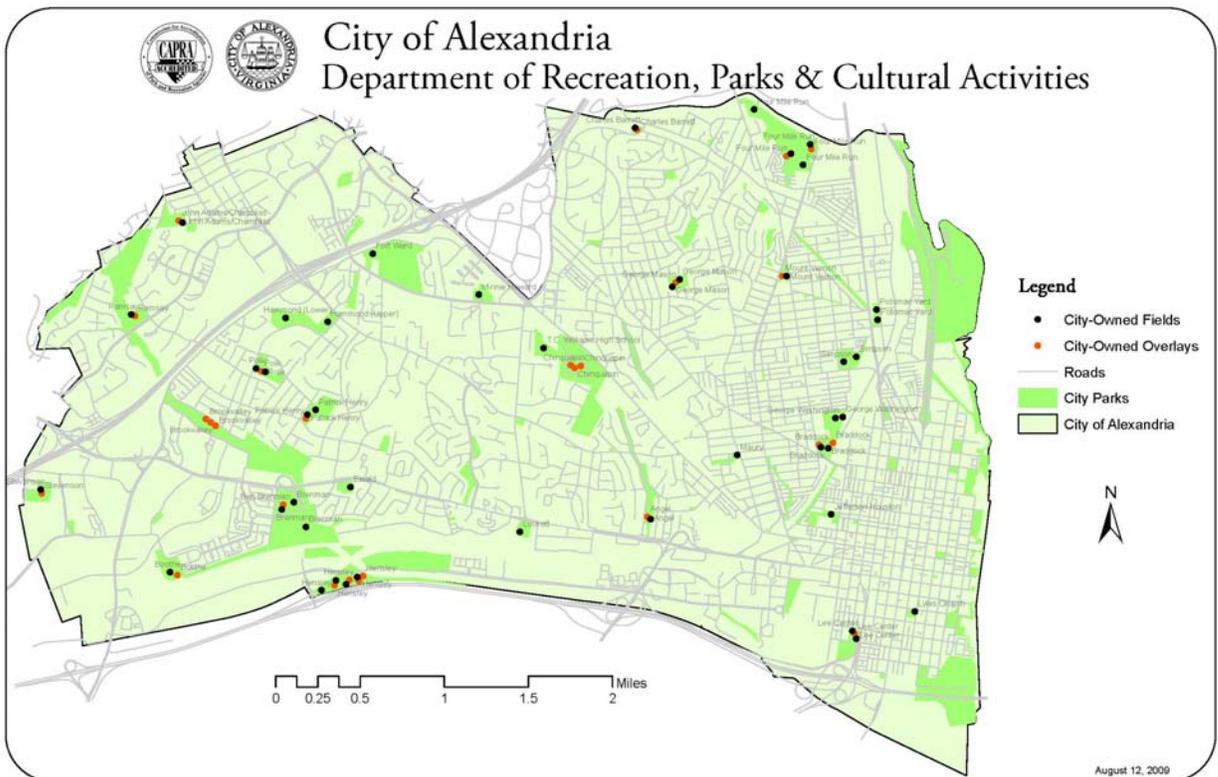
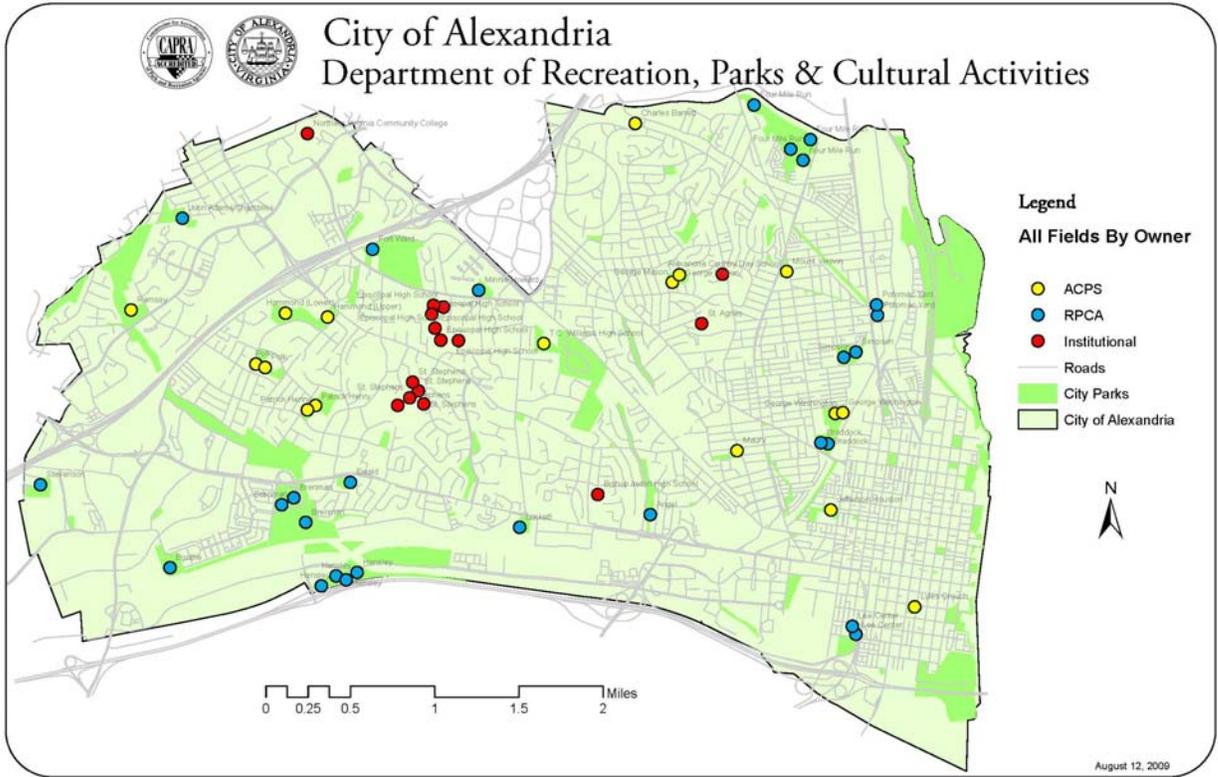
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### Field Condition

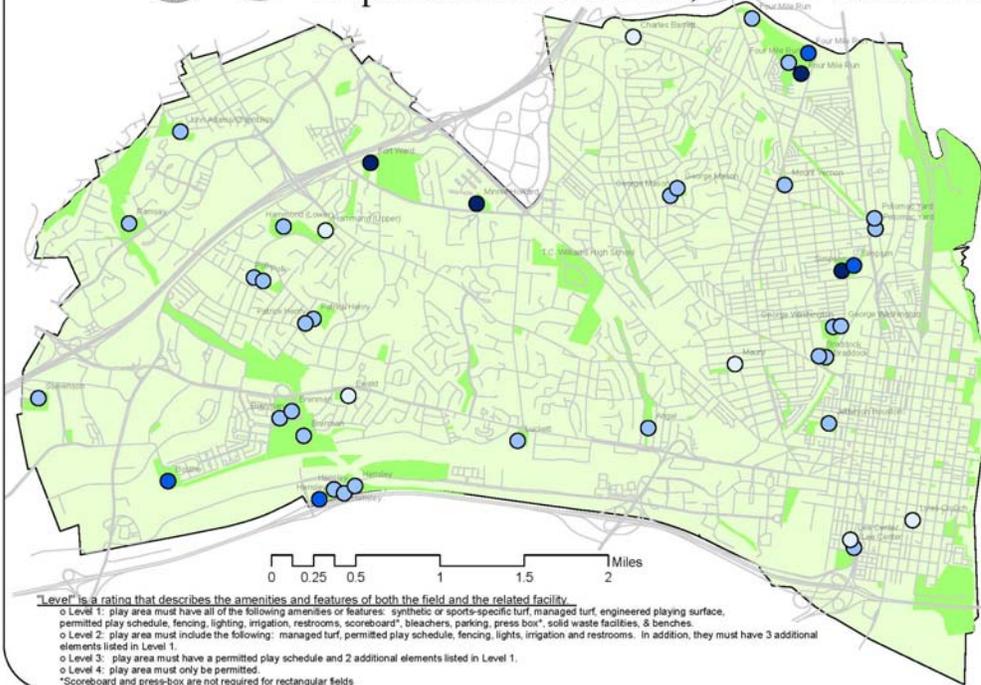


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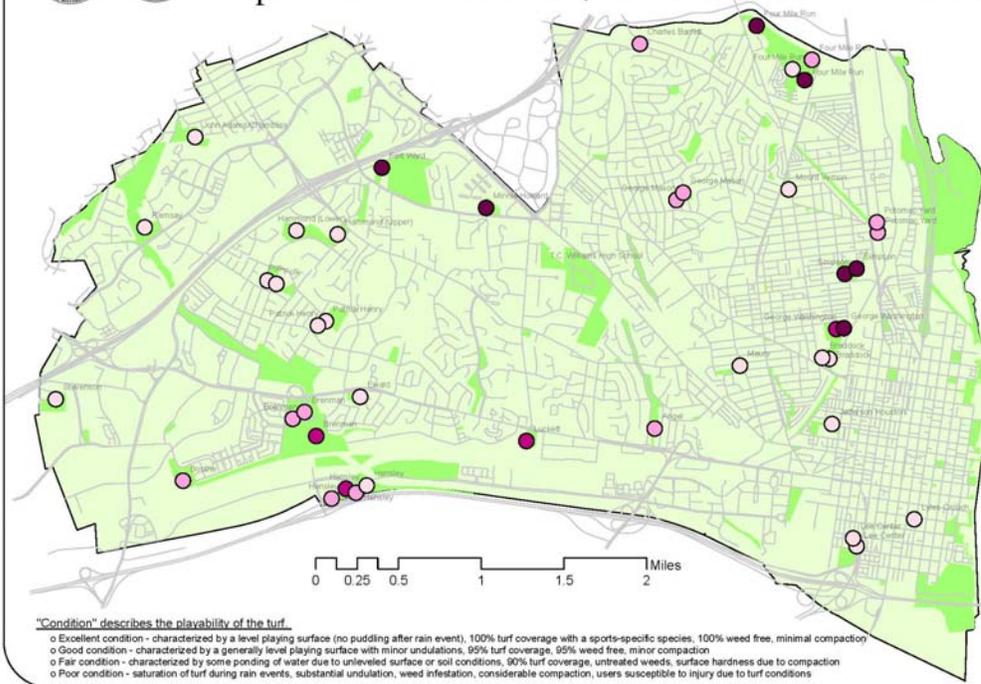




# City of Alexandria Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities

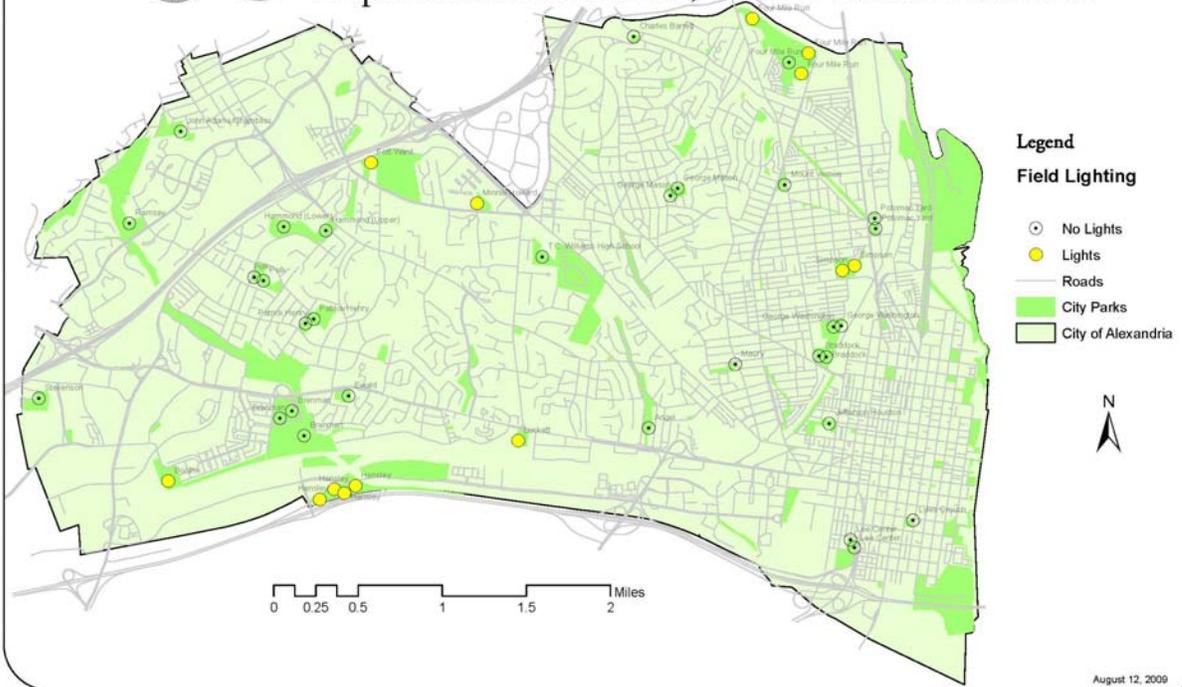


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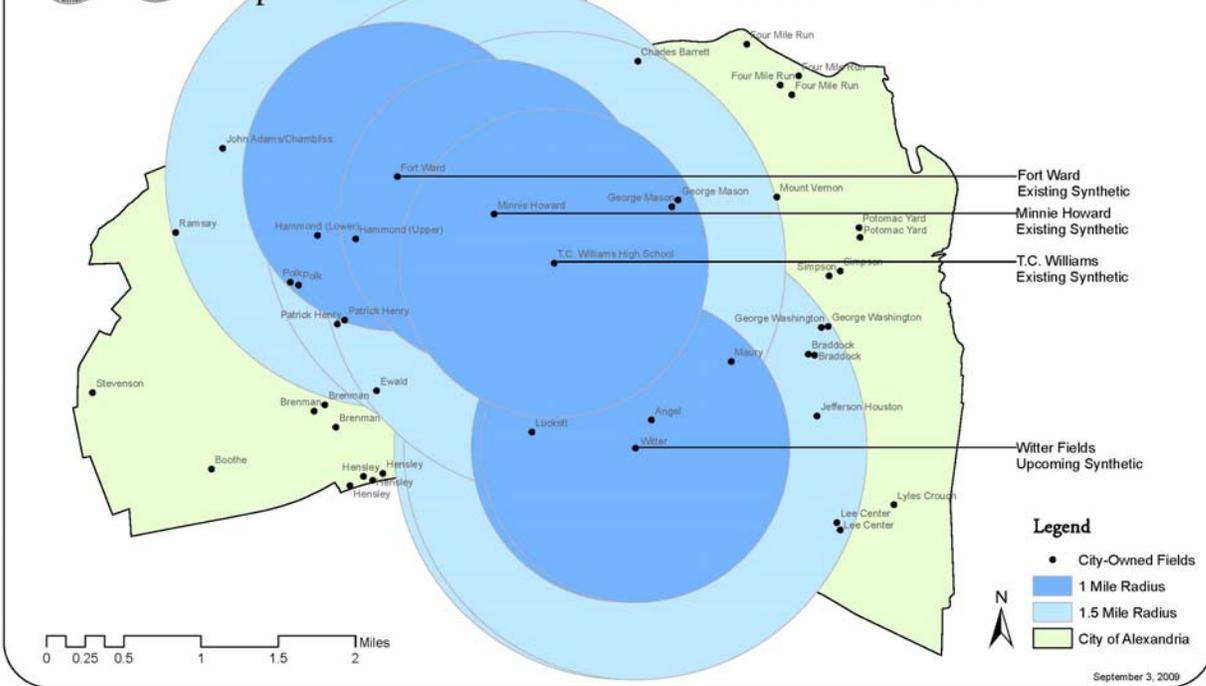




# City of Alexandria Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities



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## Appendix 3

2009 Synthetic Fields Conversion Matrix 4

Criteria	Size	Direct Fiscal Impact	Process	Impact to an Existing Use	Location	Field Condition	Public Access & Site Amenities	Indirect Fiscal Impact	Constructability	Total
Weight	0.0889	0.2222	0.1778	0.2222	0.0889	0.0889	0.0444	0.0444	0.0222	1.00
Braddock	3	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	3	
	0.27	0.44	0.18	0.44	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.02
Brenman	3	3	1	3	3	2	3	2	3	
	0.27	0.67	0.18	0.67	0.27	0.18	0.13	0.09	0.07	2.51
Boothe	2	3	1	1	3	2	3	2	3	
	0.18	0.67	0.18	0.22	0.27	0.18	0.13	0.09	0.07	1.98
George Mason	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	
	0.09	0.44	0.18	0.44	0.09	0.18	0.09	0.04	0.02	1.58
George Washington 1	3	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3	
	0.27	0.67	0.18	0.67	0.18	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.29
George Washington 2	1	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3	
	0.09	0.67	0.18	0.67	0.18	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.11
Hammond Lower	3	1	3	3	1	3	2	3	1	
	0.27	0.22	0.53	0.67	0.09	0.27	0.09	0.13	0.02	2.29
Hammond Upper	3	3	2	3	1	3	1	2	2	
	0.27	0.67	0.36	0.67	0.09	0.27	0.04	0.09	0.04	2.49
Hensley*	1	1	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	
	0.09	0.22	0.53	0.67	0.27	0.18	0.13	0.13	0.04	2.27
John Adams	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	
	0.09	0.44	0.36	0.22	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.04	1.78
Lee Center	1	3	1	2	2	3	2	2	3	
	0.09	0.67	0.18	0.44	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.07
Patrick Henry	1	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	
	0.09	0.44	0.36	0.67	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.04	2.22
Ramsay	1	1	3	2	2	3	2	2	1	
	0.09	0.22	0.53	0.44	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.02	1.93
Stevenson	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	1	
	0.09	0.44	0.36	0.44	0.27	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.02	2.07

\*If location is adjusted to the All City proposed location, field will score:

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# City of Alexandria, Virginia

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

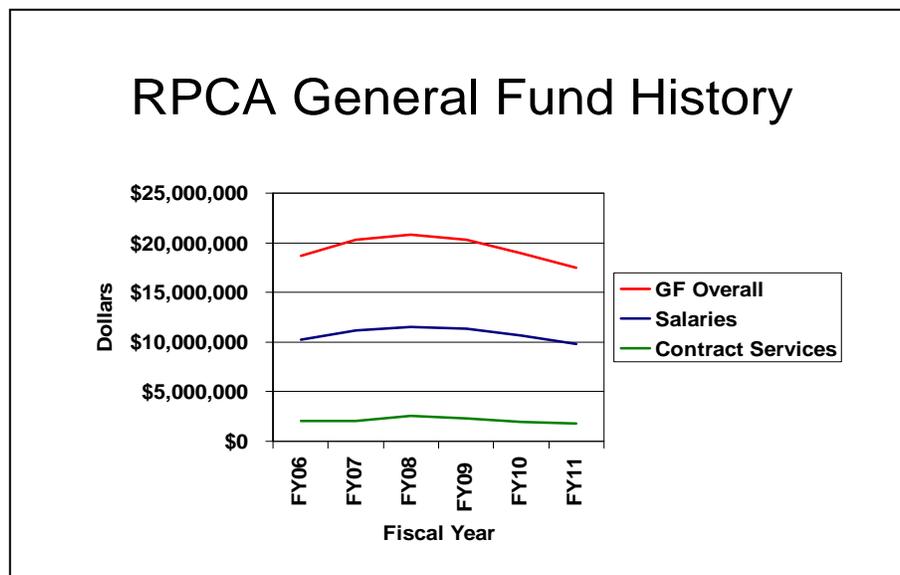
**TO:** PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**FROM:** JAMES SPENGLER, DIRECTOR  
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL  
ACTIVITIES

**SUBJECT:** FY2011 OPERATING BUDGET REDUCTION - ITEM IX

RPCA was given a reduction target of \$1,446,222 for a General Fund expenditure level in FY2011. These cuts, from the current budget, are for worse case planning purposes by the Office of Management and Budget. Actual expenditure levels will be set next year according to the budget planning process. Our reductions were turned in to OMB on September 10.

A review of the previous history of the RPCA General Fund budget shows that resources are declining. With full implementation of the FY2001 target overall resources will be below the level of FY2006. The reduction trend makes it very necessary to identify the most important services and to set priorities.



To develop the reductions RPCA staff considered what the most important core services were of the department. For Park Operations this was seen as all those necessary functions to enable open parks on a daily basis fit for the intended use. Items that supported appearance aspects were considered secondary. The core services for Recreation Services were after school and out-of-

school programs. RPCA administration is balanced against the operating and service functions to be as lean as possible. Total reductions and fee increases for FY2011 total \$1,591,679. The table below shows the reductions for each area of the department.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>FTE</b>
Non funding vacant positions (3)	L & M	351,618	3
Tennis Court Lights	Parks	3,000	0
Brenman Pond Maintenance	Parks	39,000	0
Sand Box Eliminate from 5 sites	Parks	6,000	0
Park restrooms	Parks	24,440	0
Reduction in City Medians mowing (8 per year)	Parks	296,880	0
Reduction in City Allies maintenance (1 per year)	Parks	12,370	0
Horticulture- Reduce/eliminate planting flowers	Parks	50,000	0
Reduction Tree planting	Parks	50,000	0
Graffiti removal program (with equipment moved to Sheriff's Department)	Parks	35,000	0
Proposed positions to eliminate	Rec Svcs	223,776	3.7
Proposed positions to Freeze	Rec Svcs	324,432	6.2
Total FY 2011 Proposed Expenditure Reduction		1,416,516	
Proposed FY 2011 Fee Increase		175,163	
Total		1,591,679	

Staff will be ready to discuss reduction items in detail with the Commission Members at the meeting. I would like to emphasize that the reductions are for budget planning purposes. The target given to RPCA represents a conservative estimate by OMB of the worse case scenario for the City budget in FY2011.