



City of Victorville Community Services Department

MASTER PLAN

For Parks and Facilities

INTRODUCTION

The Community Services Department Master Plan establishes specific goals for acquiring, operating, and developing recreation facilities and programs as well as preserving open space for future needs within the City.

The goals of the Community Services Department have changed in response to the changing City it serves. Increased population, limited or restricted funding, popularity of selected sports and recreation programs are but a few of the reasons behind the need to change. A specific example of adapting to changing needs is the move to fewer parks on larger acreage. Where once parks of one to five acres accomplished the needs for a specific neighborhood, today larger parks, ten to sixty acres, serve the whole of the City with more and better facilities, amenities, and passive open space at a more effective use of available resources. Operation and maintenance of fewer large parks is a more cost effective use of the public tax dollar.

The Master Plan also delineates the policies by which the goals are to be accomplished. These policies are living guidelines that better assure the proper and effective administration of the Department's operation and maintenance of the City's facilities and programs.

The City Planning Department has designated approximately four percent (4%) of the City's Planning Area as open space. This includes area of land and water that is used for golf courses, parks, lakes, greenbelts, etc. It also includes land that is yet to be developed for similar purposes.



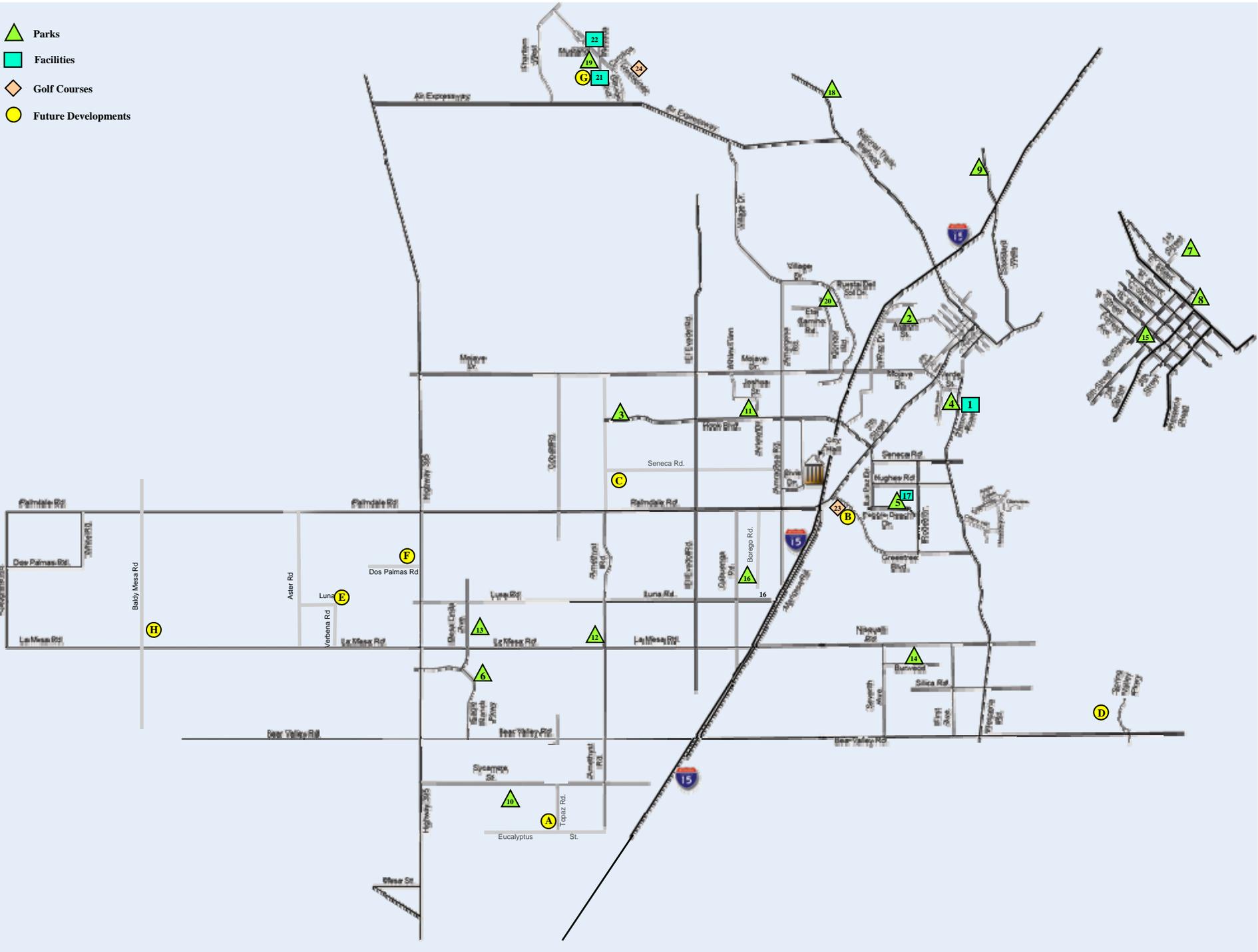
HISTORY

In 1945 the residents of the unincorporated area known as Victorville established a Recreation, Park, and Parkway District. The District was reorganized August 1961 as an Independent Special District and renamed the Park and Recreation District.

1962 saw the area of Victorville become the City of Victorville with incorporation occurring September 21st of that year. The Recreation and Park District became a Subsidiary District of the City in July 1978. The name was changed to the Victorville Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department. The City established a Community Services Advisory Committee, with each City Council member appointing a volunteer member. The Committee serves in an advisory capacity to the Department staff and the City Council.

The Community Services Department, as it is now named, serves the residents of the City of Victorville, as well as the unincorporated areas of Mountain View Acres and Spring Valley Lake. As of January 1, 2005, the Department serves an area of 98 square miles and a population of over 100,000.

-  Parks
-  Facilities
-  Golf Courses
-  Future Developments



PARKS & FACILITIES

LOCATION	ACRES	AMENITIES
1. Activities Center 15075 Hesperia Rd.		
2. Avalon Park 16338 Avalon Drive	4.1	
3. Brentwood Park 14026 Hook Blvd.	7.9	
4. Center Street Park 15413 Center St.	5.45	
5. Doris Davies Park 16300 Pebble Beach Dr.	24.0	
6. Eagle Ranch Park 12587 Eagle Ranch Pkwy.	6.5	
7. Eva Dell Park 15714 First St.	13.0	
8. Forrest Park 16858 D St.	1.25	
9. Grady Trammel Park 17184 Stoddard Wells Rd.	2.66	
10. Hollyvale Park 12773 Sycamore St.	2.5	
11. Hook Park/ Comm. Ctr. 14973 Joshua St.	28.35	
12. Liberty Park 13016 Amethyst Rd.	10.0	
13. Mesa Linda Park 13151 Mesa Linda Rd.	10.0	
14. Mojave Vista Park 16252 Burwood Ave.	10.0	
15. Old Victor Park 15476 Sixth St.	2.0	
16. Parkview Park 13427 Cahuenga Rd.	4.88	
17. Pebble Bch Pool & Racquetball Center - Hughes Rd.		
18. Rockview Nature Park 17800 National Trails Hwy.	52.0	
19. Schmidt Park SCLA - George Blvd.	9.0	
20. Village Park/Pool 15720 Eto Camino Rd.	2.8	
21. Westwinds Activity Ctr. 18040 George Blvd.		
22. Westwinds Sports Ctr. 18241 George Blvd.		

* planned for 2006/2007

GOLF COURSES

LOCATION	HOLES	AMENITIES
23. Green Tree Golf Course 14144 Green Tree Blvd.	18	
24. Westwinds Golf Course 18003 Westwinds Dr.	9	

FUTURE SITES IN THE DEVELOPMENTAL STAGE THROUGH 2025

A. Sunset Ridge Park: 17.5 acres

Will include a community center, lighted ballfields, lighted tennis courts, play area, basketball and volleyball courts, restrooms, fire station and concession/maintenance building. Anticipated completion in 2007.

B. Green Tree Clubhouse Facility & Driving Range: 22,000 sq. ft.

Will include banquet rooms, full-service dining facilities, bar/grill, pro shop, and netted driving range. Anticipated completion in 2007.

C. "New" Goodwill Education Center Site: 7.5 acres

Joint use agreement with Victor Valley Union High School District.

D. "New" Junior High School Site: 7.5 acres

Joint use agreement with Victor Valley Union High School District.

E. Crossings Site: 10.0 acres

Adjacent to Snowline School District location.

F. Dos Palmas Site: 10.0 acres

G. George Community Park: 56 acres

Joint use agreement with Adelanto School District. Incorporates Schmidt Park, Westwinds Activity Center, and Westwinds Sports Center.

H. Lewis Development Site: 10.0 acres

Adjacent to Snowline School District location.

Identified an additional 620 acres for purchase and development. Total estimated cost of future development: \$450,000,000. (Based on 2006 costs)

AMENITIES KEY

	Activity Rooms		Amphitheater		Ballfields		Lighted Ballfields
	Outdoor Basketball		Barbecues		Covered Picnic		Dining
	Driving Range		Gazebo		Golf Course		Open Grass
	Gymnasium		Horseshoe		Kitchen		Picnic Tables
	Play Equipment		Pro Shop		Racquetball		Restrooms
	Stage		Swimming Pool		Tennis Courts		
	Lighted Tennis Courts		Volleyball		Weight/Exercise		

POLICIES

Administrative guidelines that form the boundaries of decision-making and courses of action.

DEVELOPING RECREATION PROGRAMS

1. The Department shall identify the recreational needs of the community based upon citizen participation. Continual monitoring of the needs shall be performed to adapt to significant population and demographic changes.
2. The Department shall endeavor to provide programs for the youth, teens, adults, seniors, the disabled and families.
3. The Department shall work with local agencies, youth groups, volunteer and non-profit organizations, and school districts on joint use projects and mutually beneficial opportunities.
4. The Department shall operate all of its programs and activities at optimal levels of efficiency and effectiveness.
5. The Department shall continually inform the public of its programs, activities, and facilities through print media, electronic communication and face-to-face opportunities. All of the communication between the Department and the public shall be handled in a positive, enthusiastic customer service oriented manner.



ACQUIRE LAND, DEVELOP PARKS AND FACILITIES

1. The Department shall continually seek to acquire property conducive to development of park and recreation facilities and programs using methodology that reflects the best use of public resources.
2. The Department shall continually examine the park facilities to ensure optimum effectiveness in condition and usability. The Department will further ensure that all parks are developed to their full potential in accordance with the City's Master Plan and this Departmental Master Plan.
3. The Department shall work with school districts and other local agencies to develop sites that are of mutual benefit through joint use agreements.
4. The department shall continue to seek funding for park and recreation facilities and programs from all available sources, including but not limited to public and private grants, donations and gifts, fund raising, equitable user charges, and Developer Impact Fees.

OPERATE AND MAINTAIN PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

1. The Department shall provide well-maintained parks and open space areas, including a Water conservation program, in conjunction with local water agencies, to include up-to-date low water usage irrigations systems and the use of drought tolerant plants requiring less water.
2. The Department shall continue to use alternative work forces to supplement City work Personnel (i.e. California Conservation Corps, volunteer groups, and court workers)
3. The Department shall continue to work with utility companies to ensure effective use of energy today and the most efficient conservation of energy in the future.

GOALS

The purposes toward which the Community Services Department is directed.

- To plan and operate park and recreational facilities and programs that serve a wide variety of community needs across all socio-economic, age and cultural backgrounds.
- To optimize the use of resources to ensure the most effective and efficient operation of the Community Services Department.
- To acquire land and maintain safe recreational facilities, programs, and open space areas at a minimum of 3 acres per 1,000 population.
- To have every residence within 1 mile of a park or open space.
- To establish and maintain strong, effective relationships with other area public agencies and private organizations.
- To be in the forefront of the preservation of significant ecological, scenic, cultural, historical, and natural resources within the City of Victorville as well as the surrounding Victor Valley.

