



Schools & Parks

Opportunities to Share Resources, Improve Services, and
Strengthen Partnerships

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- History of Working Together
 - Building upon past successes and collaborations
- Opportunities to Expand Partnerships
 - Updating the School-Parks ILA
- Opportunities for Future Shared Investments
 - Improving Park and School Facilities through Collaborative Initiatives



History of Working Together

Building up past successes and collaborations

Successful Collaborations



County Parks at Schools

- Tatum Ridge Soccer Fields
- Pineview Athletic Courts
- Riverview Tennis Courts
- School Facilities for Summer Camps

Schools at County Owned and/or Maintained Parks

- Hecksher Park for Venice Tennis Team
- Twin Lakes Park and Butler Park for Baseball
- Miss Sarasota for Softball

Agreements & Partnerships

- School-Parks ILA
- Heron Creek ILA
- Englewood Park/ Glebe Park Exchange of Property
- County's use of former Venice Recreation Center / Englewood Recreation Center

Successful Interlocal Agreement



Responsive to community needs

- County-wide school facility agreement for ongoing purposes
- Diverse resources
- Locations throughout the county
- Multigenerational use
- Open to existing and future sites

Array of opportunities

- Fields
- Courts
- Gymnasiums / Cafeterias
- Playgrounds

Collaborative project teams

- Intergovernmental– County, Cities, School Board
- Connected communication
- Manage and develop partnership

Transparent, easily fulfilled agreements

- Boards provide policies in Interlocal Agreement (ILA)
- Superintendent/County Administrator (or designees) implement

Understand our roles

- Schools – provide facilities for entire county
- Parks – manage community use of facilities & provide for schools when needed

A black and white photograph of a group of approximately 15 children and a few adults standing on a tennis court. They are all smiling and holding tennis rackets. The children are arranged in two rows, with some in the front row holding their rackets up. The background shows a tennis court net and a fence. The text "Opportunities to Expand Partnerships" is overlaid in a large, bold, black font across the middle of the image. Below it, in a smaller, bold, black font, is the text "Updating the School-Parks ILA".

Opportunities to Expand Partnerships

Updating the School-Parks ILA

Expanding Partnerships



2016 ILA Update

- Goal – Adopt by Summer 2016

Shared community use agreements

- Schools – provide facilities for entire county
- Parks – manage community use of facilities & provide for fields for schools when needed

Good governance of taxpayer dollars

- Expands park inventory with existing facilities
- Provides use of park facilities by schools
- Increases community access to schools

Flexible and Broad

- Responsive to emerging needs
- Allows for use of all school and/or park facilities—
 - Fields, courts, gymnasiums, cafeterias, and playgrounds

Easily Managed

- Framework established in agreement
- Specifics addressed administratively

Opportunities for two-way agreement

- Parks use by schools
- Schools use by parks

Tentative Timeline



2016 Convocation

- Update to Boards/Councils

Winter – Spring 2016

- Staffs draft ILA
- Review by attorneys and administration and other stakeholders
- Share with school principals

Summer 2016

- Boards approve updated ILA

Starting 2016/17 School Year

- Agreement implementation



Opportunities to Share Future Investments

Improving park and school facilities through collaborative initiatives

Shared Future Investments



Co-located Investment Opportunities

- **Multipurpose fields**
 - Lighted fields
 - Walking and fitness track
 - Tennis/pickle ball courts
 - Community use restrooms/concession stands
- **Multipurpose gymnasium**
 - Youth and adult sports
 - Summer youth camp
- **Joint Funded School/Park Facilities**
 - Park Impact Fees
 - School Capital Improvement Funds
 - Potential grants and other funds
- **Potential for Co-located School/Park Facilities**
 - Venice Middle School
 - Atwater Elementary School
- **Future Adjacent or Co-located School/Park Facilities**
 - Clark Road Properties
 - West Villages Community
 - Future School Sites

Shared Future Investments



Venice Middle School Fields & Athletic Facilities

- Local community needs additional fields in Venice area
- Achieve community vision
 - Expand public access to VMS fields/facilities
 - Improve condition and use of existing resources
- 2016 - Campus upgrade scheduled
 - Project easily expanded to include fields
 - School administration welcoming of partnership

Moving the Project Forward

- Boards confirm staff to continue work on project proposal
 - 2016 Convocation
- Develop joint project scope and cost
 - Winter – Spring 2016
 - How much investment from county - schools?
 - School athletic facilities cannot be funded 100% park impact fees
 - Project not included in current campus upgrade scope
- Boards consider /approve scope and project incorporated into campus upgrade
 - By summer 2016



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Comments and Questions....



End of Agenda Item