



Parks & Recreation

Parks System Planning

North Port Parks System

Park types and descriptions for this presentation are defined in Figure 1.5a: Park Classifications, from the adopted City of North Port Parks & Recreation Master Plan page 41. Acreage was acquired from our GIS system.

Parks & Recreation Current Inventory

Community Parks	3
Neighborhood Parks	8 + 1 in development
Special Use Facilities	13 + 1 in development
Greenways	2
Open Space	1
Conservation	2
	$2\overline{9} + 2 = 31$

Additional Non-City Owned Inventory

Community Parks	1
Conservation	2
	3





Community Parks

An aesthetically pleasing and safe "ride-to" park, located near major streets or arterials. It is designed to serve the needs of 10 – 15 neighborhoods potentially serving a radius of up to 3 miles or 25,000 – 35,000 residents.

Facilities provided would be consistent with park system planning criteria and the community needs assessment results.

Current Parks & Recreation Inventory - Community Parks (3)

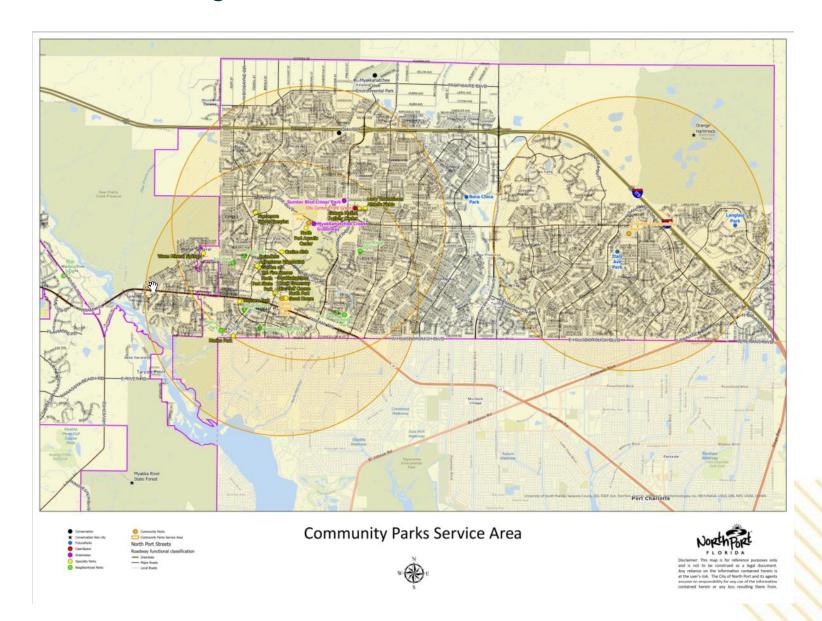
- 1. Atwater Community Park 26.17ac
- 2. Butler Park 40ac
- 3. Dallas White Park 16.78ac

Additional Non-City Owned - Community Parks (1)

4. Blue Heron - Developer Operated - 33.23ac

Total: 4 Community Parks at 116.18 acres

Community Parks – 3-mile service area (map)





Neighborhood Park

Is an area that serves as a recreational and social focus for a neighborhoods within ½ mile radius. They are aesthetically pleasing, with safe open space.

> Facilities provided would be consistent with park system planning criteria and community needs assessment results.

Current Parks & Recreation Inventory - Neighborhood Parks (8) + (1) in development

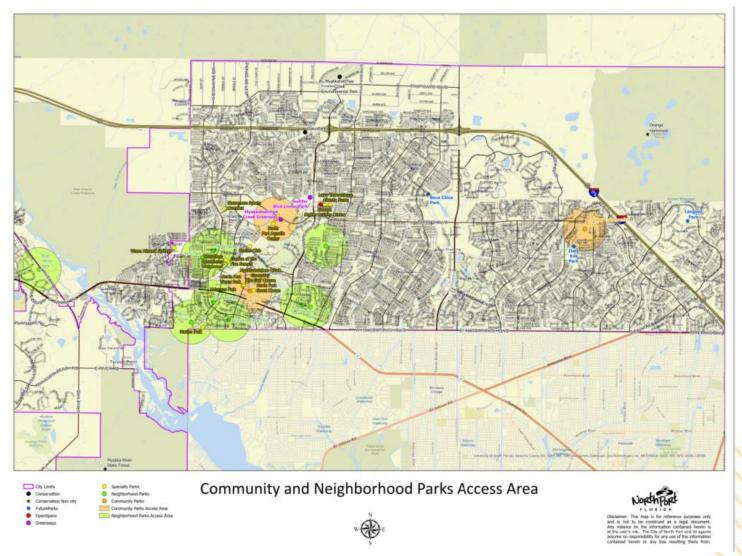
- 1. Blue Ridge Park 6.29ac
- 2. Highland Ridge Park 7.99ac 6. McKibben Park 3.55ac
- 3. Hope Park 1.89ac
- 4. Kirk Park 2.01ac

- 5. Marius Park 0.48ac
- 7. Pine Park 2.6ac
 - 8. LaBrea Park 2.79ac

9.**In development** – Boca Chica Park - 4.18ac

Total parks = 9 parks at 31.78 acres

Neighborhood & Community Parks ½ mile access(map)





Special Use Facilities

Designed for a special purpose or constituency they include but are not limited to softball, baseball, and/or soccer complexes; dog parks; BMX, model airplane, and skateboard parks; aquatic, gymnastics, equestrian centers; ice rinks and other single-purpose, often competition-quality facilities.

Current Parks & Recreation Inventory – (14)

- 1. Canine Club 2.06ac
- 2. Garden of the Five Senses 6.36ac
- 3. George Mullen Activity Center 3.0ac
- 4. Larry T. Fields 12.27ac
- 5. Marina Park 1.05ac
- 6. Morgan Family Community Center (Butler Park)
- 7. Myakkahatchee Creek Disc Golf Course 104ac
- 8. Narramore Sports Complex/Glenallen Soccer Fields 47.52ac
- 9. North Port Aquatic Center (Butler Park)
- 10. Scout House (DWP)
- 11. Skate Park 0.85ac
- 12. Veterans Park 1.59ac
- 13. Warm Mineral Springs Park 81.57ac
- 14. In development Circle of Honor 0.25ac

Total special use facilities = 14 at 270.52 acres

Greenway

A linear open space established along a natural corridor, such as a riverfront, canal, stream, railway right of way that has been converted to recreational use, scenic road, or other route; any natural or landscaped course for pedestrian or bicycle passage; linking parks, nature preserves, cultural features, or historic sites with each other and populated areas; or a local strip or linear park designed as a parkway or greenbelt.

Current Parks & Recreation Inventory – Greenway (2)
Myakkahatchee Creek Greenway 130.9ac
Sumter Blvd. Linear Park 56ac

Open Space

As related to recreation, undeveloped public lands suitable for passive recreation and primarily for parks, recreation, conservation, preservation of water resources, historic or scenic purposes, and greenways to buffer incompatible land uses.

Current Parks & Recreation Inventory - Open Space (1)
City Center Front Green 1ac





Conservation

Lands maintained for continuing the sustainable yield of natural resources, including potable water, timber, game and sport fishing. Allowable development activities include linear parks and greenways, wildlife relocation and improvements that support the principal uses such as fire trails or which allow for limited human access, primitive camping, unpaved parking, canoe launches, sanitation facilities.

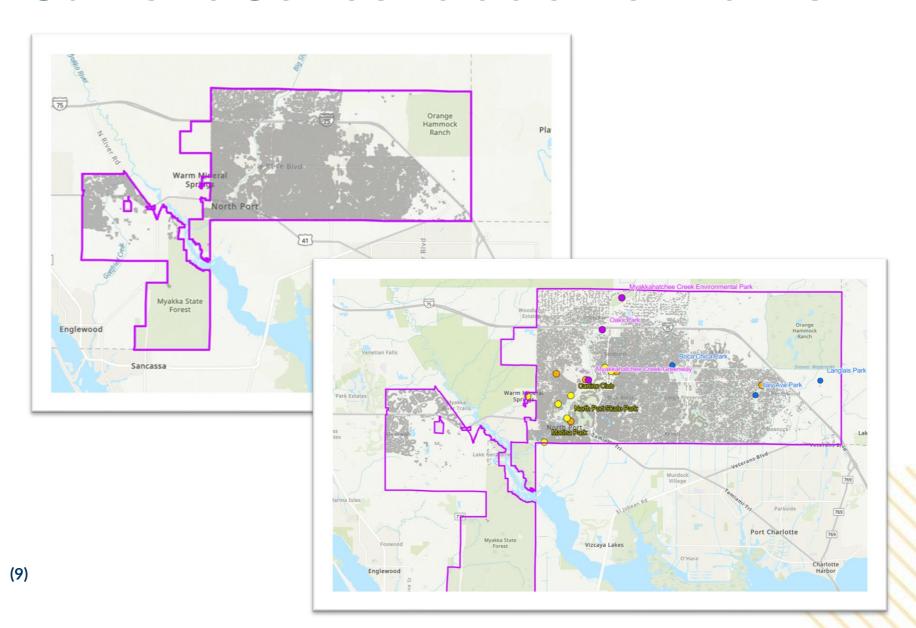
Current Parks & Recreation Inventory – Conservation (2)

- 1. Myakkahatchee Environmental Park 163.2ac
- 2. Oaks Park 11.75ac

Total Parks & Recreation conservation area = 2 at 174.95 Acres

Additional Non-City Owned Inventory City Section of Deer Prairie Creek Preserve Myakka River State Forest Orange Hammock – no zoning designation

Current Concentration of Parks





Parks in Development



Circle of Honor



Future Parkland

Undeveloped city owned parklands:



Parcel 1126233418, Langlais Dr.



Parcel 1135100210, Italy Ave.

County Land Acquisition Programs

The city currently participates in two (2) land acquisition programs with the County; Environmentally Sensitive Land Protection Program (ESLPP) and the Neighborhood Parkland Program (NPP). Each program has Eligibility and Criteria for nominating lands.

Eligibility and Criteria

• To be eligible under the ESLPP or NPP a property must have a willing seller.

The criteria for considering parkland acquisitions include:

- Location
- Broad community access
- Proximity and connectedness
- Natural features
- Cultural features
- Compatible community needs
- Water access



North Port Parcels

Priority	ESLPP Nominated Parcels	<u>Notes</u>
1	Nona Spring	The 7 +/- acre parcel containing the spring is the City Commission's highest priority for acquisition. The City Commission did not prioritize purchase of the remaining parcels associated with this nomination.
2	Properties along Constitution Drive	The City Commission requests to acquire all parcels associated with this nomination as a second priority for ESLPP.
3	Properties along Spring Haven Drive	The City Commission requests to acquire all parcels associated with this nomination as a third priority for ESLPP.
4	Myakkahatchee Creek Tier 1 & Tier 2	The City Commission requests to acquire all parcels associated with this nomination as a fourth priority for ESLPP.
No Ranking	North Port Scrubby Flatwoods	The City Commission did not prioritize these parcels based on the February 4,
	San Vincente Scrubby Flatwoods	2021 ESLOC recommendation not to move forward with these nominations.
No Ranking	Toledo Blade / Price Boulevard	The City Commission provided consensus not to prioritize or consider properties that
	Panacea Boulevard	are designated commercial within activity centers or neighborhood commercial zoning.

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No Ranking	Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park	The City Commission provided consensus not to pursue acquisition via land as ESLPP as these parcels are already protected.
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North Port Parcels

Priority	NPP Nominated Parcels	<u>Notes</u>
1	Properties along San Mateo	The City Commission requests to acquire all parcels associated with this nomination as the first priority for NPP.
2	Properties along Kamsler Avenue	The City Commission requests to acquire all parcels associated with this nomination as a second priority for NPP.
3	Properties along N. Chamberlain Road	The City Commission requests to acquire all parcels associated with this nomination as a third priority for NPP.
4	Myakkahatchee Creek Tier 1 & Tier 2	The City Commission requests to acquire all parcels associated with this nomination as a fourth priority for NPP.
No Ranking	Toledo Blade / Price Boulevard	The City Commission provided consensus to not prioritize or consider properties that are designated commercial within activity centers or neighborhood commercial zoning.
	Myakkahatchee Creek and US 41	

UPDATE:

Properties along Kamsler Ave. are no longer acquirable (SOLD).

Properties along Myakkahatchee Creek Tier 1 & Tier 2 remain on both the NPP and the ESLPP priority lists.

San Mateo Dr. - Recently Acquired



Approved Work Plan Submitted 01/07/2010

The site was envisioned to serve as a neighborhood park providing active recreational functions and serve as an access to the overall Atwater Park Complex. Potential amenities for the site itself include a small playground, open field play, picnic shelters and benches. A canoe/kayak launch may also be a possible amenity for this site.

Hawlet-Rd

N. Chamberlain Rd.



Blue Ridge

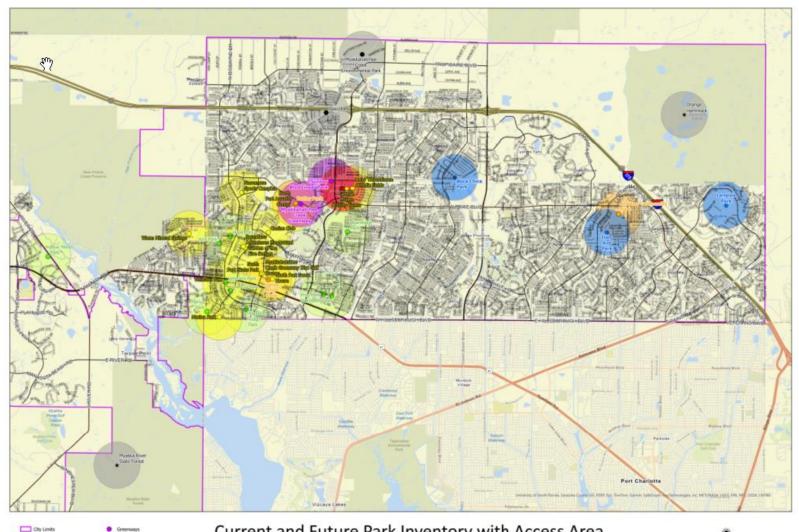
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The site is 11 acres envisioned to serve as a neighborhood park

Lakeside

Largo Preserve

All City and Non-City Parkland with ½ mile access area.



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Current and Future Park Inventory with Access Area





Conservation

FutureParks

Neighborhood Parks

Community Parks