



PUBLIC FACILITIES ELEMENT

E I C E N T R O G E N E R A L P L A N

This Implementation Program provides actions to implement the adopted policies and plans identified in the Public Facilities Element. The Public Facilities Element Implementation Program is a series of actions, procedures and techniques that includes a description of the responsible agency/department, funding source, time frame and related policies in the Public Facilities Element.

Parks and Recreation

PF-1: Improve Existing Parks: Work through all City Departments to share resources and activities to improve existing parks by:

- Providing funds to improve infrastructure of the existing fields in accordance with the recommendations of the Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan;
- Providing funds to upgrade and improve restrooms, concession stands, shade structures, drinking fountains, ADA access and parking;
- Providing funds in increase staff maintenance levels and security;
- Providing funds to increase recreational programming staff.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation, Finance

Funding Source: General Fund, Development Impact Fees

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 1.6

PF-2: Maximize the Value Provided by Future Parks and Recreation Facilities: Require new development to provide usable parkland or pay in-lieu fees to provide five acres of parkland for every 1,000 residents. Leverage future planning efforts to:

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- Purchase additional land adjacent to existing parks to enable the expansion of programs;
- Secure 40 to 60 acres (through purchase or agreements with developers) to accommodate a Sports Athletic Complex to provide tournament quality fields and practice fields;
- Provide additional baseball, softball, soccer and football fields;
- Provide additional play structures and a swimming pool.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation, Planning & Zoning, Public Works

Funding Source: Project proponents, Development Impact Fees

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4

PF-3: Create Standards for Parks: Work through the appropriate City Departments to establish standards for parks and recreation. The standards should provide the following:

- A comprehensive list of park features and standards taken into account the special needs of the desert climate including shaded play structures, water fountains at all parks, night lighting to maximize use and indoor facilities;
- A standard set of operating schedules;
- A recommended list of materials.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Planning and Zoning

Funding Source: General Fund

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 1.3, 1.6

PF-4: Maximize Funding Dollars: Work with developers, the school district, community organizations and local business owners to maximize the funding available to the program. Encourage the business community to support leagues and encourage private entertainment investment. Maximize the use of volunteers to develop, build and maintain new parks. Seek grants.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation

Funding Source: General Fund

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 1.6

PF-5: Undertake Regular Updates to the Parks and Recreation Facilities

Master Plan: Review the effectiveness of programs and safety and appropriateness of existing parks by undertaking regular review of the Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan. Evaluate the quality of the parks and confirm that community needs are being met.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation

Funding Source: General Fund

Time Frame: Every five years

Related Policies: 1.1, 1.3, 1.6

PF-6: Keep Program Estimates and Development Impact Fees Current:

Assure adequate funding for the program by updating cost estimates at each phase of the project design and by updating the Development Impact Fees to reflect current cost estimates.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Finance

Funding Source: General Fund, Development Impact Fees

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 1.2, 1.3

Educational Facilities

PF-7: Schools to Serve the Community: Review development proposals for consistency with school facility requirements, work with the district to collect student impact fees and require the dedication of necessary school sites when appropriate.

Responsible Agency/Department: Public Works, El Centro Elementary School District, Central Union High School District, McCabe Union Elementary School District

Funding Source: Project proponent

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 2.1

PF-8: School Districts' Master Plans: Work with the school districts serving El Centro in future updates of their Master Plans. Provide information about existing and planned land use to the districts. Coordinate with the districts in establishing new school facility sites, student generation formulas and facility improvement plans.

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Responsible Agency/Department: Planning and Zoning, El Centro Elementary School District, Central Union High School District, McCabe Union Elementary School District

Funding Source: General Fund, state and federal funds

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 2.1

PF-9: Joint Use Agreements with Schools: Work with School Districts to improve joint-use agreements in order to resolve specific issues including:

- Security;
- Availability of Facilities;
- Shared parking and restrooms that can be accessed from outside of the buildings;
- Clear definition of responsibilities in terms of maintenance, repairs, scheduling and insurance liability.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Finance, El Centro Elementary School District, Central Union High School District, McCabe Union Elementary School District

Funding Source: General Fund, State and Federal Funds

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 3.1

Library Facilities

PF-10: Library Administrative Board: Continue to work with the El Centro Public Library Administrative Board to ensure that community needs for library services are being met.

Responsible Agency/Department: Library, Public Library Administrative Board

Funding Source: General Fund, development fees, state and federal funds

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 3.1, 3.2

Police Facilities

PF-11: Law Enforcement: Review the level of services and funding levels at budget time, adjusting when necessary to ensure that adequate levels of service are provided and facilities are maintained.

Responsible Agency/Department: Police Department

Funding Source: General Fund

Time Frame: Annual basis at budget time

Related Policies: 4.1

Fire Stations

PF-12: Fire Protection: Review the level of services and funding levels at budget time, adjusting when necessary to ensure that adequate levels of service are provided and facilities are maintained.

Responsible Agency/Department: Fire Department
Funding Source: General Fund
Time Frame: Annual basis at budget time
Related Policies: 5.2

Civic Center

PF-13: Civic Center Precise Plan: Create and implement a Precise Plan for the City's Civic Center that maximizes the efficiency of public agencies.

Responsible Agency/Department: Planning and Zoning
Funding Source: General Fund
Time Frame: 2003-2004
Related Policies: 6.1

Cultural Facilities

PF-14: Community Based Organizations: Continue to coordinate with community organizations to provide facilities that serve the diverse cultural groups and activities in El Centro.

Responsible Agency/Department: Parks and Recreation
Funding Source: General Fund
Time Frame: Ongoing
Related Policies: 7.1

Sewer System

PF-15: Sewer Master Plan: Update, as necessary, and implement the Sewer Master Plan. As part of the Master Plan update, the City will evaluate the need for additional pump station and piping capacity.

Responsible Agency/Department: Public Works
Funding Source: General Fund
Time Frame: Ongoing
Related Policies: 8.1, 8.3, 8.4

Water System

PF-16: Water Master Plan: Update, as necessary, and implement the Water Master Plan. As part of the Master Plan update, the City will evaluate the need for additional piping capacity.

Responsible Agency/Department: Public Works

Funding Source: General Fund

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 9.1

PF-17: Water and Sewer Service: Review development proposals and require necessary studies, as appropriate, and water conservation and mitigation measures to ensure adequate water and sewer service is provided and maintained.

Responsible Agency/Department: Planning and Zoning, Public Works

Funding Source: General Fund, project proponent, development fees

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 9.1

PF-18: Improve Surface Water Quality: Reduce pollutants in urban runoff, by requiring new development projects and substantial rehabilitation projects to incorporate Best Management Practices pursuant to the National Pollutant System Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES) to ensure that the City complies with applicable State and Federal regulations.

Responsible Agency/Department: Planning and Zoning, Public Works

Funding Source: General Fund, state and federal funds, project proponent

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 2.1

PF-19: Watershed Management Initiative: Cooperate with regional agencies to implement the Watershed Management Initiative.

Responsible Agency/Department: Planning and Zoning, Public Works, Imperial Irrigation District, County of Imperial

Funding Source: General Fund, state and federal funds

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 9.1, 9.2

PF-20: Water Quality Education: Coordinate in the development and implementation of a public education program to inform the public of the harm caused by pollutants and litter that can be carried on the surface of land to the drainage systems, creeks, rivers, groundwater, and Salton Sea.

Responsible Agency/Department: Planning and Zoning, Public Works, Imperial Irrigation District, County of Imperial

Funding Source: General Fund, state and federal funds

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 9.1, 9.2

PF-21: Imperial Irrigation District Rules and Regulations: Continue to implement the Imperial Irrigation District Rules and Regulations governing the distribution and use of water.

Responsible Agency/Department: Planning and Zoning, Public Works, Imperial Irrigation District

Funding Source: General fund, state and federal funds

Time Frame: Ongoing

Related Policies: 9.1, 9.2