

ELEMENT 8 - RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT

Goal 1

To ensure the provision of adequate and accessible recreation facilities and open spaces to meet the needs of the University.

Objective 1A

Coordinate with Student Affairs for public and private resources to meet the projected demand for recreational facilities and open space.

Policy 1A-1

Work with Abacoa to provide joint-use facilities on and off-campus.

Policy 1A-2

Work with the Town of Jupiter to provide joint-use facilities on-and off-campus. The University shall meet with the Town of Jupiter Director of Parks and Open Space, on an annual basis to explore mutual opportunities to implement this objective. Special recreational opportunities should include access to a fitness center, group exercise classes, informal recreation via indoor multipurpose facility (basketball, volleyball, badminton, etc.), outdoor fields, structured leagues, tournaments, special events sport clubs and instructional programs.

Policy 1A-3

Investigate the use of off-campus facilities for recreational sport clubs.

Policy 1A-4

Within the greenspaces and pedestrian corridors, allow for the provision of a bicycle route connection and a fitness course, internally throughout the campus, and to the adjacent community.

Policy 1A-5

The University shall continue site development for recreation facilities to meet the needs of increased enrollment. Connectivity between the existing campus and the future facilities shall be studied prior to implementation of those facilities.

Policy 1A-6

The University shall provide multi-purpose fields in the eastern portion of the campus. The timing and phasing requirements and priorities for these facilities are established in the Capital Improvements Element.

Policy 1A-7

The University shall continue to provide leisure recreation and open space adjacent to on-campus Housing as it is developed for the Honors College.

Policy 1A-8

The University shall continue the development of the remaining holes of the disc golf course and realign existing holes to conform to master plan as new buildings are constructed.

Objective 1B

Develop recreation and open space areas on the campus. (See Figure 8.1)

Policy 1B-1

Develop the area between the FP&L easement and Central Blvd. as recreational fields.

Policy 1B-2

Continue to maintain an open space on the north side of the housing zone adjacent to Road C, called The Crescent, as a buffer from planned commercial development across Road C and as a “front yard” for the University. Expand the open space as additional housing is developed.

Policy 1B-3

Maintain an open space on the south side of the housing zone as a transition to the academic area.

Policy 1B-4

Maintain an open space at the heart of the academic quadrangle, called the Forum.

Policy 1B-5

Maintain an open space at the northwest corner of the site between the two housing zones called the Plaza providing a view corridor into the campus and especially to the Library zone from the Town Center corner.

Policy 1B-6

New facility construction will designate a portion of construction funds to develop adjacent courtyards and open spaces.

Policy 1B-7

Site for buildings and for routing infrastructure shall conform to the land use delineations in **Figure 4.1** and will be configured so as to maximize the retention of campus open space. Dedicated campus open space shown of **Figure 8.1** shall not be reduced in size or usability by crossings of infrastructure or encroachment of buildings.

Policy 1B-8

FAU shall maintain densities and intensities for the development of its campuses which maximize the retention of open space. These densities and intensities are established in **Future Land Use Table 4.1** and the **Future Land Use Element Policy 1A-9**.