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County operates the sanitary landfill, which has a lifespan of approximately 20 years. The solid waste LOS is 4.0 pounds per person per day for residential and 2.0 pounds per person per day for commercial. The City continues to require recycling of ferrous metals, newspaper, plastics, glass, and yard waste.

4.5.2 Recreation Facilities

The Plan requires public access be provided for City and County recreation areas in the City. The current Plan, updated in 2003, includes objectives that require the City to improve LOS for Parks and Recreation through parkland acquisition. The City has purchased park land within the portion of the City that had the lowest LOS (the NE ¼ portion of the City). Policy 1.3.2 requires the City to adopt a LOS for activity and resource based parks of 1 acre per 1,000 people. Additionally, Objective 2.1 requires public boat ramps based on a LOS standard of one public boat ramp per 3,000 residents and public canoe launches based on the LOS of one public canoe launch per 1,500 residents. The City currently has seven city parks within the corporate limits. There is also one Orange County neighborhood park within the City. **Table 4.4** lists the individual park sites, the facilities that are offered, and the acreage for each park.

TABLE 4.4: Recreation Facilities within the City of Belle Isle

Public Parks Inventory		
Park	Facilities	Area (acres)
Swann Beach	Swimming beach/bench	0.25
Delia Beach	Swimming beach/bench	0.22
LaBelle Beach	Swimming beach/bench	0.11
Cross Lake Beach	Swimming beach/bench	0.16
Perkins boat ramp	Boat launching ramp	0.33
Venetian Park	Boat launching ramp/open space	1.93
Lagoon	Picnic area/open park space	5.00
Warren Park	County Facility: ball diamond, swings, picnic tables, pavilions, grills, swimming beach	8.50
Gilbert Park	Open Space/bench	
Lesser Park	Open Space/bench	
Conway Circle Park	Open Space/bench	
Holloway Park	Open Space	

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Table 4.12 Recreational and Open Space Element Successes and Shortcomings

OBJECTIVE	ASSESSMENT	OBJECTIVE ACHIEVED
1.1: Public Access to Recreation Areas. The City shall require that public access be provided for City and County recreation areas in Belle Isle.	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Policy 1.1.1: Recreational Areas Indicated on Future Land Use Map. The Future Land Use Map shall indicate all recreation areas with in the City, including all access points to the Conway Chain of Lakes.	The future land use map adopted by the City indicates recreational spaces, including public parks and open spaces.	Yes
Policy 1.1.2: Developing Parks. The City shall continue to seek grant funding to enhance, acquire, and develop park and open.	The City is continuing to see grant funding to improve existing park lands and possible acquisition.	Yes
Policy 1.1.3: Sidewalks and Bikeways. After January 1, 1992, the City shall require the provision of sidewalks and bikeways between all new residential areas and recreation sites as development occurs.	The City requires all new developments to has pedestrian walkways to recreational sites with the development and connect to existing sidewalks that provide access to parks.	Yes
Policy 1.1.4: Maintain Pedestrian, Bikeway, and Canoe Plans. The City shall maintain the adopted pedestrian, bikeway, and canoe plans.	The City adopted a pedestrain bikeway and walkway plan in 1994-95 and recently adopted canoe plans.	Yes
Policy 1.1.5: Sidewalk between Windsor Place and Conway East. The City shall work with Orange County and FDOT for the provision of a sidewalk between Windsor Place and Conway East.	Currently no sidewalks exist between Windsor Place and Conway East. The City is working with the developer of Partin Groves and FDOT to install sidewalks.	Partially - continuing to pursue
1.2: Coordinate the Provision of Recreation. The City shall coordinate the provision of recreation sites, facilities, and open space with other public entities and private resources through the implementation of the following policies:	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Policy 1.2.1: Coordinate with Orange County Parks and Recreation. The City shall coordinate the provision of recreation sites and facilities with Orange County to reduce duplication of services and improve the City's LOS.	The City is pursuing and interlocal agreement with Orange County Parks and Recreation. In the early 90's the County did not want to enter into agreement with the City	No, but pursuing.
Policy 1.2.2: Eliminated	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Policy 1.2.3: Agreement with School Board. By January 2005, the City shall pursue an agreement with Orange County School Board for use of school recreation areas as public parks during non-school daylight hours.	Orange County School Board does not all school grounds to be used during non-school hours. Since the City does not have any schools with city limits, the City has not pursued an agreement.	No

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<p>1.3: Coordination with other Public Entities and Private Resources. The City shall coordinate the provision of recreation sites, facilities, and open space with other public entities and private resources through the implementation of the following policies:</p>	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<p>Policy 1.3.1: Definitions in LDC. The Land Development Codes (LDC's) shall include definitions of the following terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) resource based parks (passive parks) b) activity based parks (none in Belle Isle) c) park service areas; and d) open space shall include all natural resource areas which protect natural amenities, all buffer areas within residential and commercial areas, and all passive recreation areas 	The City does not define all definitions listed under OBJECTIVES.	No - amend to include definitions.
<p>Polity 1.3.2: Adopted Level of Service for Parks and Recreation. The City shall adopt a Level of Service for activity and resource based parks of 1 acre per 1,000 people.</p>	The City adopted this standard as part of the Comprehensive Plan and used this number for concurrency purposes.	Yes
<p>Policy 1.3.3: Recreation Standards to be Included in the Land Development Code. The LCD's shall include standards for development and dedication of parks and open space by private entities for public ownership and use.</p>	Parks and Recreation standards are located in Chapter 18 of the City Code.	Yes
<p>Policy 1.3.4: Acquiring Recreation and Open Space Sites. By January 2005, the City shall adopt a program for acquiring recreation sites or areas to be preserved as open space. The program shall identify properties in areas where deficiencies exist or properties which would protect the lakes and surrounding natural environment.</p>	The City has not adopted a program. All natural resources to be preserves have been designated on the Future Land Use Map as Conversation Areas.	No
<p>2.1: Level of Service for Public Boat Ramps. The City shall require public boat ramps based on a level of service standard of one public boat ramp per 3,000 residents and public canoe launches based on the level of service standard of one public canoe launch per 1,500 residents.</p>	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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<p>Policy 2.1.1: Regulations for Canoe Trails. The City will ensure that the Conway Lake Chain canoe trails include numbered signposts to provide guidance to trail users. Signs and trail markers should be visible and easily recognized to promote recreational use.</p>	<p>The City is moving forward in providing signs that include numbered signposts and provide guidance to users.</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Policy 2.1.2: Informational Signs Regarding Canoe Trails. To encourage public access, ensure active and passive public recreation opportunities, and to facilitate environmental education, informational signs will be posted at all City parks and boat ramps regarding the presence of Conway Lake Chain canoe trails. An element of the signs will be information for all water craft regarding safety and, in particular, safe use of power boats within the designated canoe trails where self-propelled craft will be used.</p>	<p>Signs are posted at public boat ramps in reference to canoe trails.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Policy 2.1.3: Canoe Trail Site Plan. The City will use the City of Belle Isle Canoe Trail site plan to guide future canoe trail and waterways planning efforts within the Conway Lake Chain.</p>	<p>The City has not created a site plan to guide future canoe trail and waterway planning within the Conway Chain of Lakes</p>	<p>No</p>