

Recreation Credit - Improvements to Dedicated Parkland Department of Recreation and Parks



These instructions are only for projects proposing to dedicate public land per LAMC 12.33, Section H.1(b)

Recreation Credit plans submitted to the Department of Recreation and Parks (Department) shall comply with the following specifications. Additional materials or information may be required according to each type of application. Application forms are available at <https://www.laparks.org/planning/park-fees>.

Summary of Improving Dedicated Park Land:

- *In lieu of paying the park fee or dedicating land, the City may permit improvements to be made to existing public parks.*
- *The total amount of credit shall not exceed 100 percent of the calculated requirement for the park fee or land dedication.*
- *Credit shall be granted dollar for dollar for the cost of the proposed improvement, as determined by the Department.*
- *The Department of Recreation and Parks shall determine whether the proposal complies with the Department's park and recreational standards.*
- *Required materials and services for proposed park and facility improvements may need to be purchased and completed with City approved vendors.*
- *The proposed facilities shall be reasonably adaptable for use for park and recreational purposes, taking into consideration such factors as size, shape, topography, geology, access and location.*
- ***Only the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners has the authority to accept (or decline) the proposed improvement to an existing park or facility.***

Possible Park and Facilities Improvements Include, but are not limited to:

- Playground
- Fitness Equipment
- Resurfacing Basketball Courts
- Reseeding Sports Fields

Example: Installation of a Playground: The applicant and the Department would work together to identify an existing park, within reasonable distance of the development site, which is in need of a new playground. The plans, recreation credit estimates, and contract for the proposed improvement(s) must be approved by the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners. If approved, the applicant would then get a certificate of deposit in the amount of credit being requested. Once the contract is executed, RAP staff will issue a Right-of-Entry permit. Once the work has been completed, inspected by Department staff, and is deemed compliant with Department standards, the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners would then be requested to accept the park improvements.

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Has the Applicant identified any improvements they want to make to dedicated parkland?

YES

NO

If yes, please describe the proposed improvements to dedicated parkland.

- Park Location: _____
- Proposed Improvements:

RAP staff will advise if the proposed improvements identified by the applicant are acceptable and necessary. There is no guarantee that RAP will permit the improvements proposed by the applicant.

If the applicant would like to make an improvement to existing parks and facilities in lieu of paying the Park Fee but has not identified any proposed sites or improvements, contact RAP staff for assistance. RAP staff can provide the applicant with a list of possible park sites, within a reasonable distance of the development site, and suggested improvements for each park. Please contact Department of Recreation and Parks staff at (213) 202-2682 or email RAP.ParkFees@lacity.org.

Following the review of your Recreation Credit Application and Park Fee Calculation Application, a staff member from the Department of Recreation and Park will contact the applicant for more information and to review the guidelines and procedures for making improvements to dedicated park land. For more information about making improvements to existing public parks and facilities, please call the Department of Recreation and Parks at (213) 202-2682 or email RAP.ParkFees@lacity.org.