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Community Use Area

Community parks are larger in size and serve a broader purpose than neighborhood parks. The focus is on meeting the recreation needs of several neighborhoods or a large section of the community as well as preserving unique landscapes or natural use areas.

Landscaping

Trees, shrubs, ground covers, and related improvements, including furniture and other facilities intended to enhance public activity spaces both within and outside the affected development. This definition shall include spaces of varying degrees of enclosure from interior spaces to transitional spaces and outdoor spaces.

Landscaping Maintenance

Includes but is not limited to appropriate watering, pruning, weeding, insecticide spraying, fertilizing, plant replacement and other necessary functions as required to keep all plant materials in a vigorous healthy growing condition.

Natural Resource Use Area

Refers to natural areas within the urban environment that provide fish, wildlife and plant habitats as well as recreation opportunities within close proximity to neighborhoods.

Neighborhood Use Area

These are close to home recreation areas where density is high and include areas for informal play, family and community building, create sense of neighborhood and serve as focal point for residents.

Open Space, Common

Open space for the common use and enjoyment of the owners and occupants of the subdivision, building, planned unit development or condominium. Common means shared by all tenants and is distinguished from space designated for private use.

Open Space, Usable

Open space within a proposed development site, excluding areas devoted to roadways and parking. The space may be common or private.

Publicly Accessible

Open to the general public during regular business hours.

Public Open Space

Land dedicated or reserved for the use by the public, including but not limited to parks, greenbelts, recreation areas, and school sites.

Public Use Easement

A right of use over portion(s) of real property granted by a property owner for specific present or future uses of land by the public, or governmental entity, that is reserved, conveyed, or dedicated through the recording of a plat, deed, or easement document.

Special Use Area

The Special Use classification covers a broad range of parks and recreation facilities oriented toward single-purpose use. These areas are used for athletic tournaments and events; highly organized activities; activities with special requirements and provide for economic as well as social and physical benefits to the community.