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**Purpose**

To establish principles and objectives for the design, construction and improvement of parks and recreational facilities.

**Background**

In January 1990, the Board of Supervisors adopted Policy G-15: Design Standards for County Facilities and Property, which authorized the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to establish design guidelines and standards for County-owned and leased parks and recreational facilities that implement the following goals and objectives:

1. Design guidelines and standards shall be established for County-owned and leased facilities to promote the objectives identified in Board Policy G-15.
2. Maximize the exterior and interior life of facilities while considering facility planning, design, construction, maintenance, operation, and replacement costs.
3. Set environmental standards that maximize energy efficiency and resource conservation, thereby minimizing the impact on the environment, while providing a comfortable, healthy, safe and efficient building for occupants and visitors.
4. Promote recycling and conservation of resources, and incorporate methods and systems for recycling solid and liquid waste into the planning of County facilities.
5. The Chief Administrative Officer, or his or her designee, shall establish design standards and guidelines, which implement the preceding goals and objectives. The guidelines and standards shall be reviewed and modified periodically in order to stay current with changing technologies and lifecycle costs of systems.

**Policy**

It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The Director of Parks and Recreation is authorized to adopt and amend park design guidelines and standards for the design, construction, and improvement of parks and recreational facilities.
2. Parks and recreational facilities dedicated to the County pursuant to the Park Lands Dedication Ordinance shall be designed, constructed, and improved pursuant to the provisions of the Department of Parks and Recreation Park Design Guidelines and Standards and all other applicable County, State, and Federal rules and regulations.

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**Responsible Departments**

- 1. Department of Parks and Recreation
- 2. Department of General Services

**Sunset Date**

This policy will be reviewed for continuance by 12-31-23.

**References**

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