

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

**MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2009
MT. VERNON RECREATION CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Review of the Summary Notes from December 8 Meeting
- III. Review of Letter over the Potential Impacts of Cuts in the Budget
- IV. Update on Field Plans
- V. Youth Sports Section Report
 - A. Girls Volleyball Program
 - B. Cheerleading Program
 - C. Cheerleading Exhibition Youth Basketball Program
 - D. Baseball/Girl's Softball Registrations
- VI. Program Updates
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
- X. Next Meeting Date – February 9
- XI. Adjournment

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, January 12, 2009

Summary Notes

Board members present: Jim Gibson, Bob Moir, Brian Donegan, Jeff Murphy, Dennis Burstein, John Timmons, Richard Stone, Bill Rivers

Staff members present: William Chesley, Mac Slover

Guests: Roger Blakeley (ADPR&CA)

Jim opened the meeting by asking Board members to review the December minutes. The minutes were approved as written. He also indicated that some of the coaches from T. C. Williams would be attending a meeting in the future. Included would be the basketball coaches and the Cross Country coach.

The Board now reviewed the draft letter regarding full funding of fields. After a discussion, the members of the Board approved the letter and gave their authorization to use their names and associations on the letter. Bill will finalize the letter and work with Jim to get the letter signed and delivered. While the letter is addressed to Ms. Guse-Noritake at the Park and Recreation Commission, copies will be provided to City Council members as well as other City officials.

Roger then outlined certain significant dates coming up for the next budget:

- February 10th – the City Manager presents the budget to Council;
- February 23rd will be a CIP work session;
- March 16th will be a CIP follow-up; and
- April 13th will be a public hearing.

In response to an inquiry, William indicated that the new Houston Recreation Center is just about finished. Should open in February. However redoing Patrick Henry is at least 4 years out now.

Jim then asked Board members to give a status of their sports during the winter.

Mac:

- Volleyball
 - Finished December 8th
 - 8 teams
 - Good progress shown
- Youth Basketball
 - Started this past weekend
 - Off to a good start

- Under 14 girls will play against Arlington teams
- While Houston's numbers are down this year (due to the reconstruction of the Rec Center), a big increase is expected next year in the number of teams from there due to the new building
- Bill mentioned that the staff cutbacks were apparent because teams had to supply clock operators now; more pressure to make sure things are done correctly
- Softball/Baseball
 - Registration underway
 - High schools are doing clinics now
 - The City is exploring joining Arlington in the softball program
- Mac met with Jeff about expanding rugby
 - Will work with the P. E. classes at schools
 - Other efforts to expand it as well.

Dennis (Schools):

- The T. C swim teams picked up a rare double win this past week
- There will be a staff development meeting for P. E. teachers this Wednesday
- Looking to expand P. E. at the elementary school level

Brian (Lacrosse):

- Registration is going on now
- Try-outs being held for the "A" teams (Under 11/13/15 levels)
- May expand to "C" teams this year due to the level of participation
- Teams will be formed by the end of February
- Jim mentioned that there should be enough cross-over players from football to have 2 or 3 new Lacrosse teams
- Bob added that they are considering an Under 17 level since some schools do not have an appropriate program

Jeff (Rugby):

- USA Rugby is looking at new programs for younger players
- They are also looking for cross-over from other sports

Richard (Girls sports):

- An informal 12 and Under softball team participated in a fall Fairfax league

John (Soccer):

- Started Spring registration
- Anticipating more growth in the program

Jim (Football):

- Quiet time of the year for them
- Focusing on getting coaches identified and prepared

Jim opened up a discussion on new business by stating that he had contact with Northern Virginia Community College. They were interested in supporting youth sports – possibly having students help with coaching. Jim will share the contact information with all Board members.

He also indicated that the T. C. Athletic Director – Bob McKeig – may be at the February meeting.

The next meeting date will be February 9th. Mac will send out the agenda.

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009
MT. VERNON RECREATION CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Review of the Summary Notes from January 12 Meeting
- III. Special Guest - Councilman Tim Lovain
 - A. Field's Funding
 - B. City Council Meeting – February 10
- IV. Youth Sports Section Report
 - A. Youth Basketball Program
 - B. Baseball/Girl's Softball Registrations
 - C. Field's Meeting – January 21
- V. Program Updates
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Next Meeting Date – March 9
- X. Adjournment

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, February 9, 2009

Summary Notes

Board members present: Jim Gibson, Bob Moir, Brian Donegan, Jeff Murphy, John Timmons, Donnie Simpson, Bob Veshancey, Jon Liss, Bill Rivers

Staff members present: William Chesley, Mac Slover

Guest: Tim Lovain (Councilman)

Jim started the meeting by asking members to review and approve the January minutes. The minutes were approved as written. He then indicated that he had been contacted by the Washington Post about an article they were doing on Titan pride in Alexandria. As part of that, they wanted to take a picture of youth sports participants. He asked Board members to get some representative kids from each sport for the picture opportunity later this week. Board members agreed and will coordinate through Mac.

Jim also wanted the Board to know that there would be a meeting with Councilman Krupicka on Thursday of this week. The Councilman wasn't able to attend the meeting tonight, but wanted to make sure he met with Board members. Jim and others indicated that they would be at the Thursday meeting.

He then introduced Councilman Tim Lovain who had agreed to meet with the Board regarding the fields funding issue in the City.

The councilman indicated that he was a soccer dad and strongly supported the initiative of artificial turf fields in Alexandria. He highlighted the following in his discussion:

- He has met with the City manager and indeed this is a bad budget time. The CIP (Capital Improvement Program) has taken a major hit with many projects being delayed.
- Regarding Roth-Witter, those fields should still be on schedule because they are using Federal money, although the City will still have to contribute some.
- The Potomac Yards fields will be delayed because the developer is slowing his construction due to the economy. The Councilman hopes that dollars now set aside for Potomac Yards can be moved to fully fund the City's contribution to Roth-Witter.
- The Braddock Road fields are postponed due to the budget.
- There is the \$1.4 million on the books for the All-City Sports Facility that may be used for other purposes if that does not go through.

- In response to John and Mac discussing youth sports use of T. C.'s new artificial turf field, the Councilman said that he would bring that up at the meetings with the School Board.
- There was some discussion of the situation about use of Bishop Ireton's field on Sundays, but efforts would have to be made to possibly amend the SUP there.
- In response to a question about what actions the Board should take, the Councilman recommended increased contacts with City Council members and also going through the Park and Recreation Commission. Maybe even a bond issue in the future may be appropriate, but the economy doesn't favor that at this time.

The Board thanked Councilman Lovain for attending the meeting and promised future cooperation on the funding and other issues. The Councilman then left the meeting.

Mac and William said that they would be meeting with the T. C. Athletic Director this week and would address the issue of use of T.C.'s field. They would also invite the AD to the March Board meeting.

Jim asked Board members with sports in season to provide updates:

Mac:

- Basketball
 - In full swing
 - Everything going well
- Baseball/Softball
 - Registration going on
 - 4 Mile field dedication later this year
- Rec dept. met with police about illegal use of the fields
 - Mac came across some usage this past weekend.
 - Police have pledged cooperation.

Brian (Lacrosse):

- Started try-outs
- Registration is up

Jeff (Rugby):

- Asked if the front field at T. C. is available for practice. Mac indicated no – that it was not in playable condition
- Alerted Board members to national TV broadcast of Hyde Park rugby team in DC (had shown the Board a video of them last year).

Bill (Basketball)

- Thanked Mac for coordinating with T. C. about youth teams going up to see T. C. games for free. Several teams have taken advantage of that offer.

William indicated that the new Charles Houston Recreation Center would be dedicated this Saturday. The new Director is Sheila Whiting (former director of the Mount Vernon Rec Center).

Jim invited Board members to attend a meeting on the 19th of parents and supporters trying to help T. C. players get into college.

Mac will advise Board members of the next meeting date.

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

MONDAY, MAY 11, 2009
MT. VERNON RECREATION CENTER
7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Review of the Summary Notes from the April Meeting
- III. Update on the FY 2010 Budget
 - A. Budget Adopted – April 27
- IV. Field Updates
- V. Youth Sports Section Report
 - A. Girl's Softball Opening Night – Recap
 - B. Summer Programs
 1. Rugby, NJTL Tennis, Summer Basketball League, Fundamental Basketball School
 - C. Summer Clinics – Field Hockey, Co-ed Volleyball
- VI. Program Updates
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
- IX.. Next Meeting Date – June 8
- X. Adjournment

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, May 11, 2009

Summary Notes

Board members present: Jim Gibson, Brian Donegan, Jeff Murphy, John Timmons, Mike Neilson, Bill Rivers

Staff members present: Tamika Coleman

Jim started the meeting by asking that the April minutes be reviewed by the Board members present. The minutes were approved as written.

Jim then indicated that he had been coordinating with Judy Noritake of the Park and Recreation Commission on the proposed land swap near G.W. He said that the Commission had sent a letter recommending that the study be done.

Tamika was representing the City at the meeting and briefed the Board on the budget status. The 2010 budget was approved on April 27th and included \$900,000 for artificial turf and lights at Ben Brenman Park. Also, it had \$400,000 for replacement lights at Lockett; Four Mile; and Simpson fields.

In response to an inquiry about Roger and his wife, she indicated that she would provide the e-mail address for Roger for any best wishes to be sent.

John brought up the issue as to how we help drive the use of the approved field funds since Roger was out. Agreement was reached that an e-mail would be sent to Roger (since he was technically working at home during his wife's illness) , with copies to other City officials asking what the Board could do. Bill volunteered to draft an e-mail for Jim's consideration.

Jim said that he would try to invite new Council members Fannon and Hughes to our next meeting. Also some School Board members if possible.

Jim then asked Board members for their updates:

Tamika:

- Softball
 - Opening ceremony was held.
 - Good turnout.
 - 13 teams.
 - Only concern is about rainouts and the schedule.
- Football
 - Registration to begin shortly.

- Basketball
 - Summer league starting soon.
 - The City will do some clinics for 5 and 6 year olds this summer.

Brian (Lacrosse):

- Program is doing well.
- No rainouts due to availability of the turf field at Minnie Howard.
 - In fact some games were shifted from Fairfax to Alexandria to use the field
- Playoffs are coming up shortly.
- About 350 total participants; an increase over last year.
- Jim added that St. Stephens and St. Agnes were willing to help do clinics if needed.

Jeff (Rugby):

- T. C. is in 5th place overall – top of Division II
- Just finished a road trip to Pittsburgh for a tournament.
 - Good experience.
- Playoffs starting soon.
- Some players will attend all-star games in Pittsburgh during the summer.
- About 50 boys and 25 girls turned out this year – double last year's.
- Better athletes coming out – now just need some experience.

John (Soccer):

- Rainouts are killing the schedules.
- The Rec level schedule may go into June (usually over in May).
- Over 1,800 participants – an increase over last year.
- Rain has seriously affected practice time as well as game schedules.

Jim (Football):

- Organizational meetings are going on.
- Fairfax is experiencing dollar problems.
- We are lucky to have good fields and good support in Alexandria.
- Season will start a little later this year due to later Labor Day.
- Seeing an infusion of new kids at the entry levels.
- Overall number are up from last year – seeing a crossover from Lacrosse.

Jim then indicated that he had talked to Bob McKeag (AD at T. C.). Bob is working on contacting Council members about lights at T. C. Has started a working group on the issue – meets once/month at T. C. All are invited to join.

Jim concluded the meeting by saying that the next one will be held on June 8th.

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2009

MT. VERNON RECREATION CENTER

7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Review of the Summary Notes from the May Meeting
- III. Accreditation Renewal Process
- IV. Frank E. Mann Field Dedication
- V. Field Updates
 - A. Ben Brenman Soccer, Baseball & Softball
 1. Design Concept, Public Hearing and etc.
 - B. Stevenson Square
 - C. Simpson Fields
- VI. Youth Sports Section Report
 - A. Baseball – Softball Seasons
 - B. Summer Programs
 1. Rugby, NJTL Tennis, Summer Basketball League, Fundamental Basketball School
 - C. Summer Clinics – Field Hockey, Lil’ Slammers Basketball, Softball
- VII. Program Updates
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Next Meeting Date – TBA
 1. No Meeting in July. August ?
- XI. Adjournment

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, June 8, 2009

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Staff members present: William Chesley, Mac Slover

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He then indicated that there would be no meetings in July and August due to the summer break. If an event occurred which necessitated a meeting, then Board members would be contacted as appropriate.

Jim also stated that he had sent an e-mail to Roger and his wife on behalf of the Board.

William brought the Board up to speed on the accreditation renewal that the department was undergoing again. It had been previously accredited in 2004 and was up for its 5 year renewal now. There would be a review team coming in this week and a reception would be held at Charles Houston at 5:30 on Tuesday if any Board members were interested in meeting the review team.

William also reviewed the status of budget cutbacks on the department. Cuts had started in October and would continue through the current year. Services would definitely be affected. A list of service cuts was handed out, including such things as reductions in Rec center hours; frequency of field maintenance, etc.

Mac announced that the dedication of the baseball field at Four Mile Run in honor of Frank Mann was held at Cora Kelley Rec Center (due to inclement weather) and went well.

He then reviewed the field situations:

- Brenman
 - Council approved \$900,000.
 - Turf field; lights added (to baseball field as well).
 - Public hearing will be in September.
- Stevenson Square (by the old Comp USA)
 - Used by little league and soccer programs.
 - Poor quality.
 - Not scheduled for improvement until 2018 or so.

- Simpson Field
 - Light repairs are on hold while the City waits for the Potomac Yard fields to be done (which are on hold as well due to the economy).
- Lockett
 - The lights and poles have been fixed and are functioning.
- Four Mile Baseball
 - New lights are coming.
- Minnie Howard scoreboard
 - Dennis raised the issue of the scoreboard not working.
 - Mac indicated that he had his organization inspect it; needs to be fixed by ACPS – their responsibility.
 - Should be done this summer.

Jim then asked members to update the Board on their sports.

- Jeff (Rugby)
 - The T. C. boys team are the state Division II champions.
 - Beat Menchville.
 - Nice sponsorship by the National Guard.
 - Possible that some players may be picked for an all-star team.
- Mac
 - Baseball – Little League playoffs are tonight.
 - Softball
 - Rainouts hit them hard.
 - Playoffs next week.
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 - Tennis
 - Will be held at GW, Patrick Henry, and George Mason – down three sites from last year (budget cuts).
 - Overall number of players expected to decrease due to more limited sites.
 - Summer basketball
 - Under 17 still struggling for numbers
 - Under 14 doing well.
 - Skills assessment tryout next Monday.
 - Field Hockey Clinic – June 22-25 by the T. C. coach.
 - Basketball clinics for 5 and 6 year olds – 4 Saturdays in June
 - Fundamentals in Basketball clinics running this summer.
 - T. C. softball coach will do some clinics in July.
 - Lacrosse finished this week.
 - ASA will host tournaments at Ft. Ward, Minnie Howard, and T. C.

- Swimming has over 90 kids signed up – increase over last year.

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It was announced that Lucky Elliott would be retiring from the City with a retirement ceremony at Charles Houston on June 15th.

Jim adjourned the meeting. Next meeting would be in September and Mac will be in touch about it.

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009
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7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Special Guest: James Spengler, New Department Director
- III. Review of the Summary Notes from the June Meeting
- IV. Presentation on Synthetic Fields Conversion Matrix
- V. Field Updates
 - A. Ben Brenman Soccer, Baseball & Softball
 1. Design Concept, Public Hearing and etc.
 - B. Four Mile Baseball Fields
 - C. Simpson Fields
- VI. Youth Sports Section Report
 - A. Football Program
 - B. Summer Programs Review
 1. Rugby, NJTL Tennis, Summer Basketball League, Fundamental Basketball School, Swim Team, Track
 - C. Summer Clinics – Field Hockey, Lil’ Slammers Basketball, Football
 - D. Basketball and Fundamental Camp Registrations
 - E. Girls Volleyball Program
- VII. Program Updates
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- X. Next Meeting Date - October 19 (October 12 is a Holiday)
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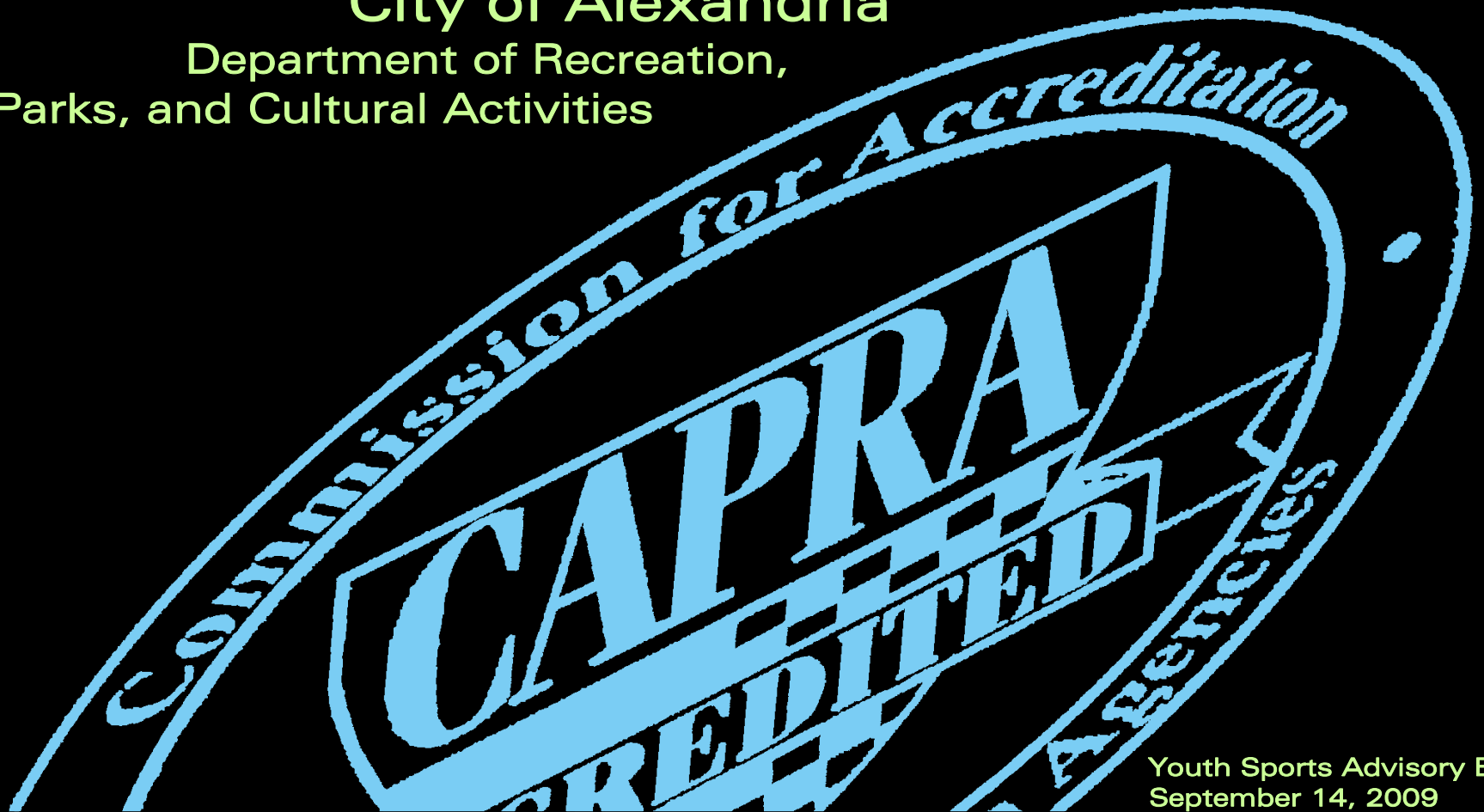
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Synthetic Field Conversion Study

2009 Study Update

City of Alexandria

Department of Recreation,
Parks, and Cultural Activities



Youth Sports Advisory Board
September 14, 2009

Background

I. 2006 Athletic Fields Master Plan

- Field Shortage
- Lack of Field Capacity
- Poor Field Conditions
- Synthetic Field Conversions

II. 2007 Synthetic Field Study

III. 2009 Synthetic Field Study

- Ben Brenman Field

2009 Study Goals

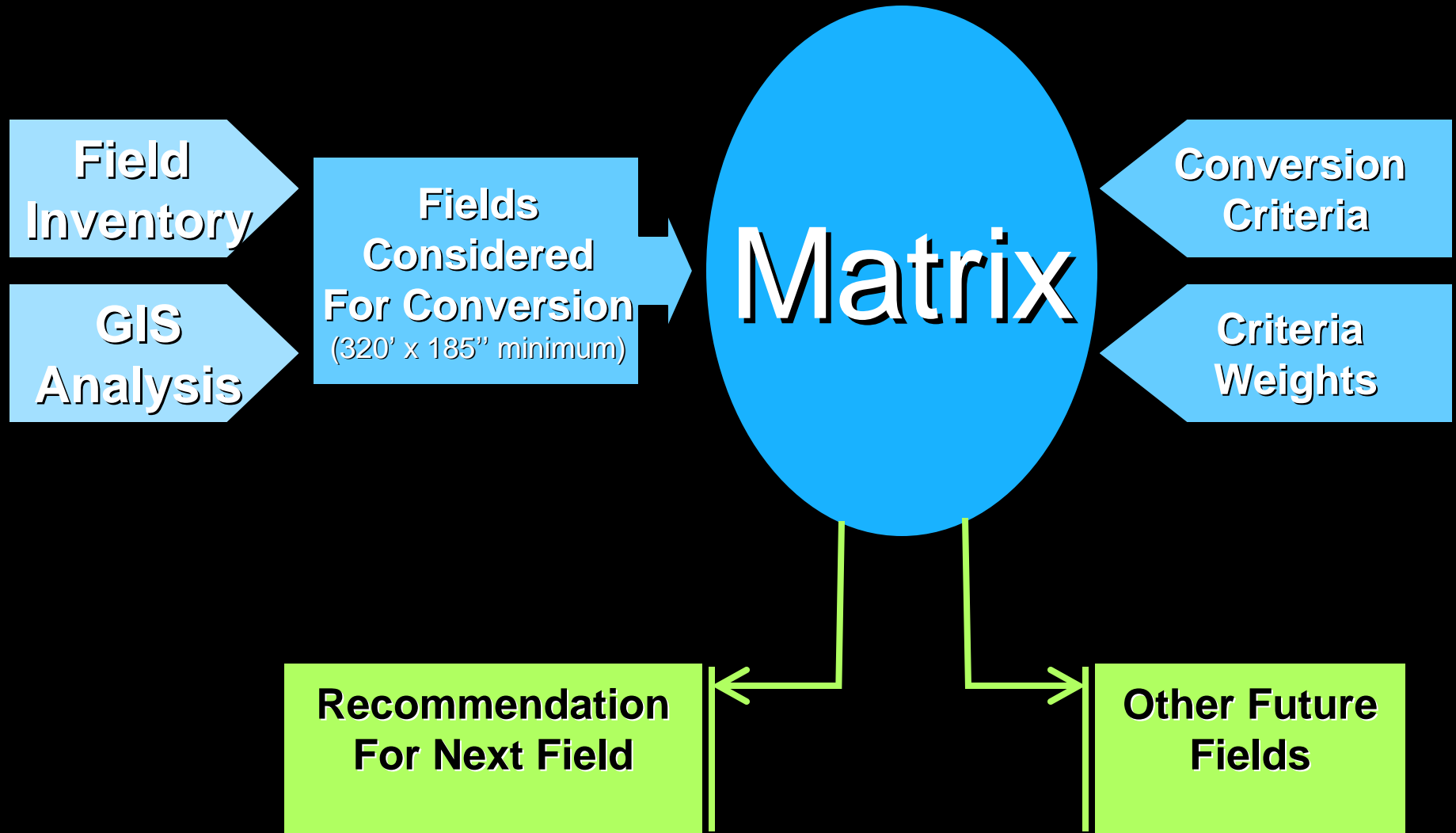
I. Immediate Goal: What field should be converted next?

II. Long Term Goal: What other fields might be converted in the future?

2009 Planning Process

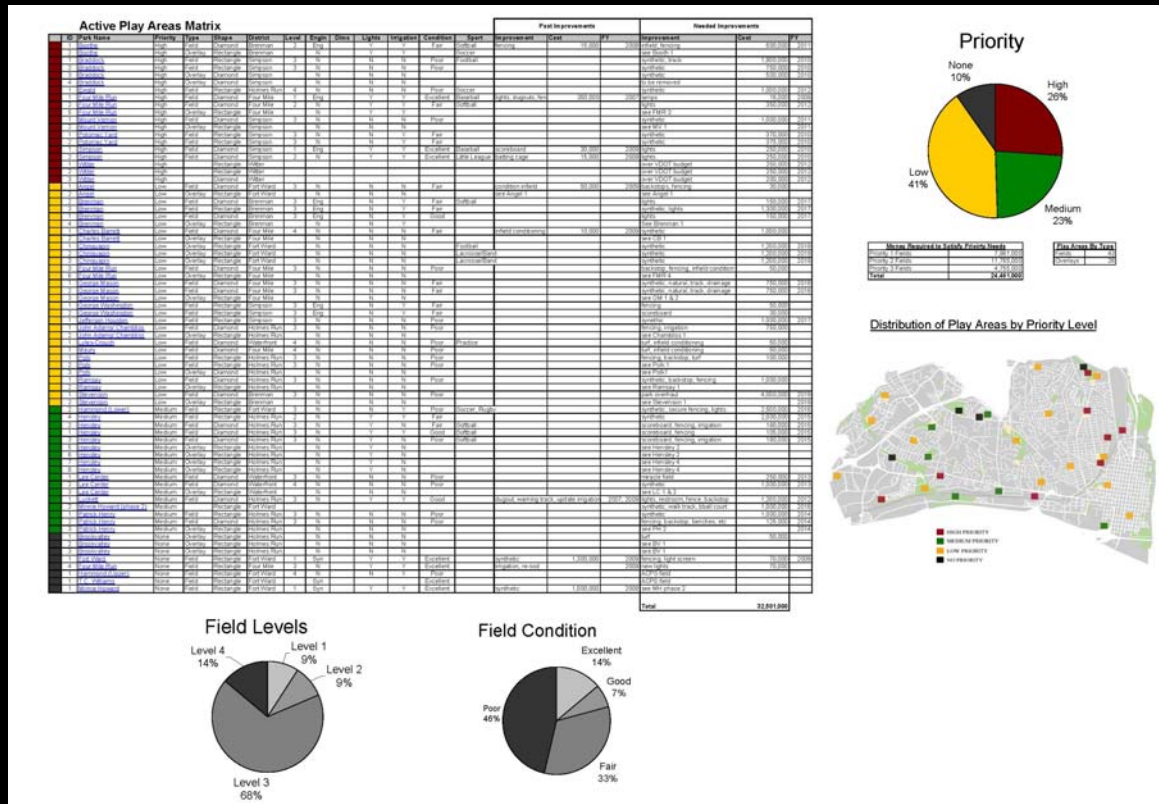
- I. Field Inventory
- II. GIS Analysis
- III. Determine Fields Considered for Study
- IV. Criteria & Weights
- V. Site Visits
- VI. Field Scoring
- VII. Youth Sports Advisory Board - Sept. 14
- VIII. Park & Recreation Commission - Sept. 17
- IX. Public Implementation Strategy
- X. PRC Public Hearing in October - Oct. 15

Process Diagram



Field Inventory

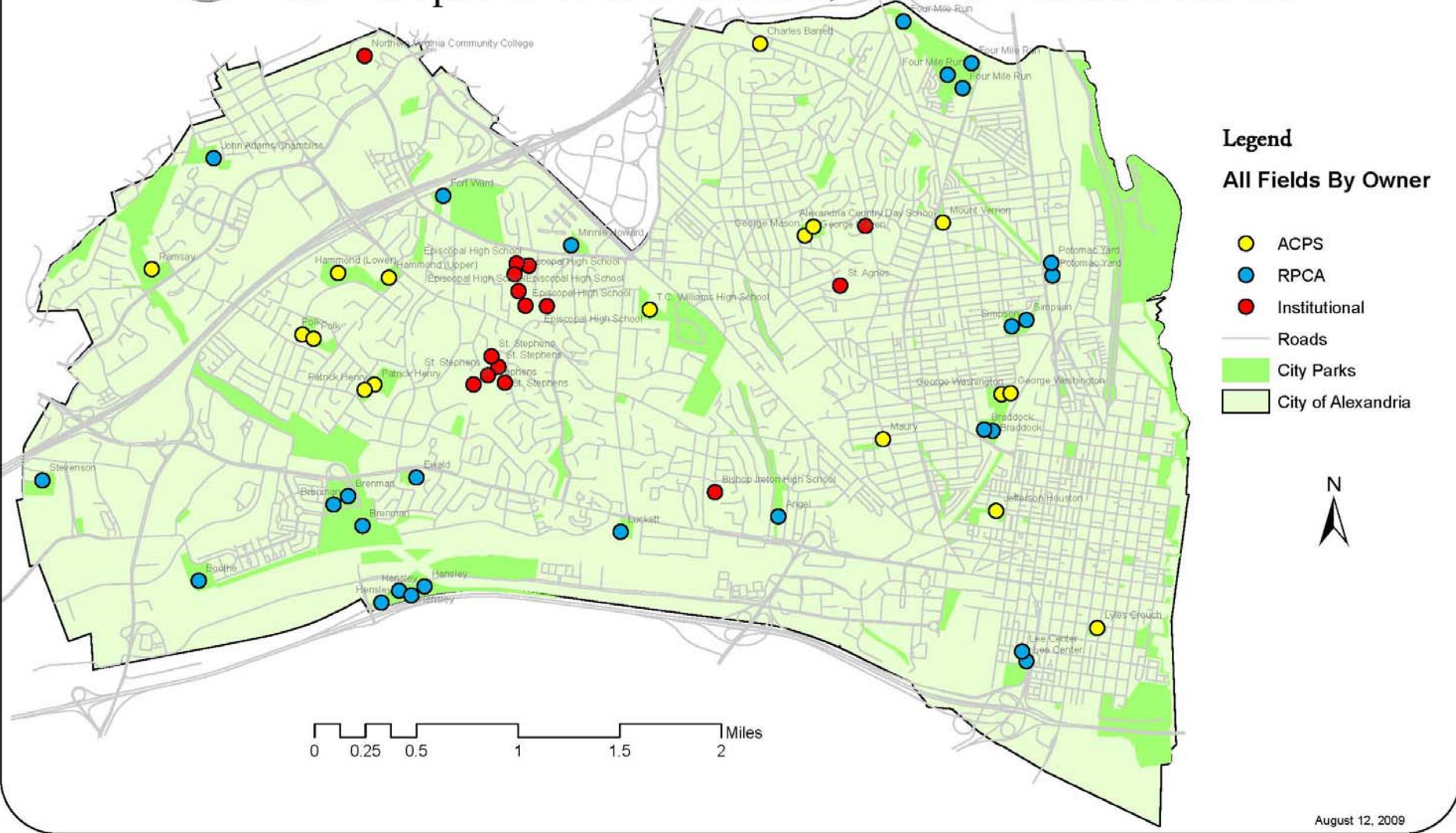
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- II. Field Condition
- III. Facility Classification



All Fields by Owner



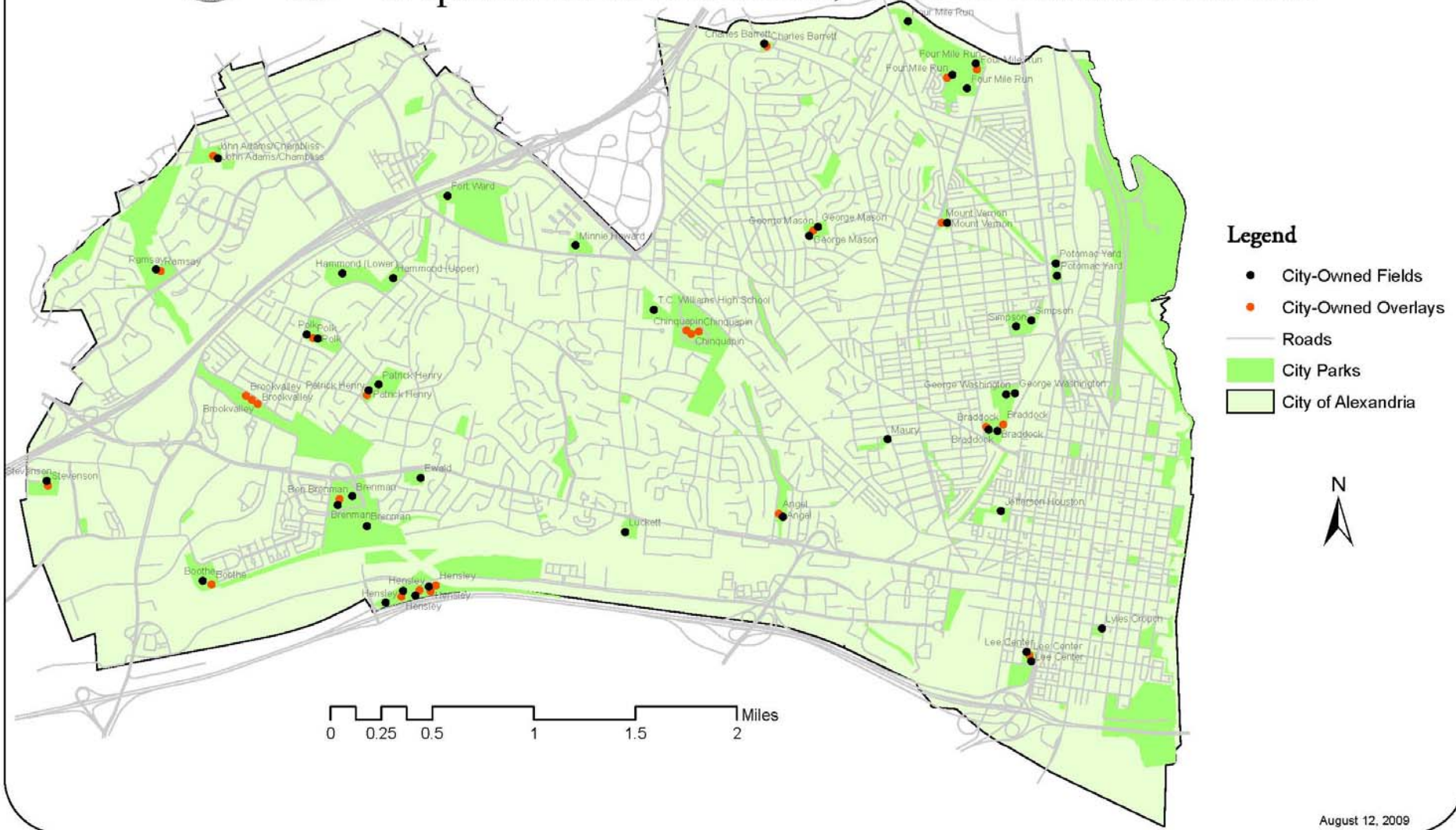
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Fields v. Overlays



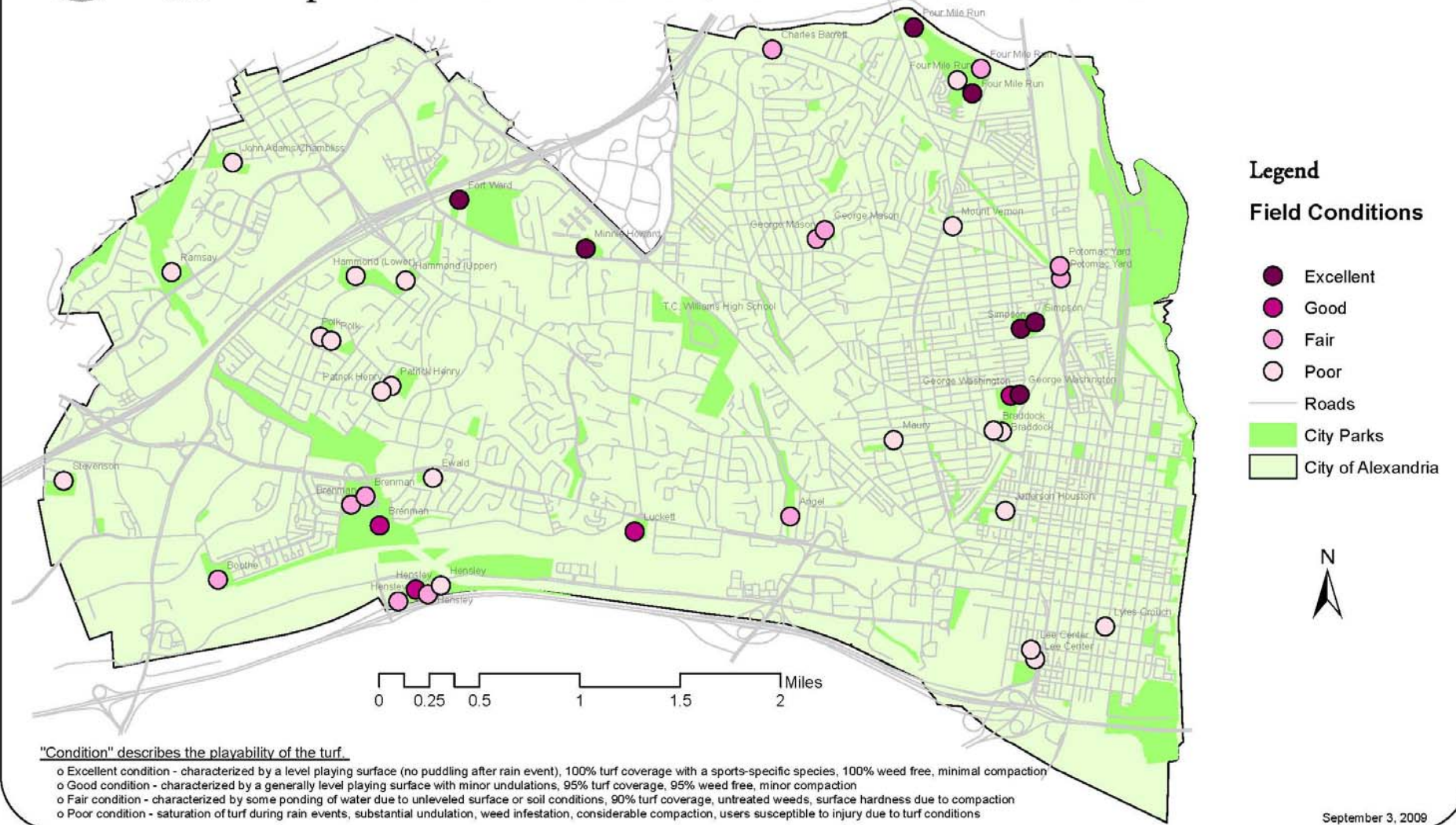
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Field Conditions



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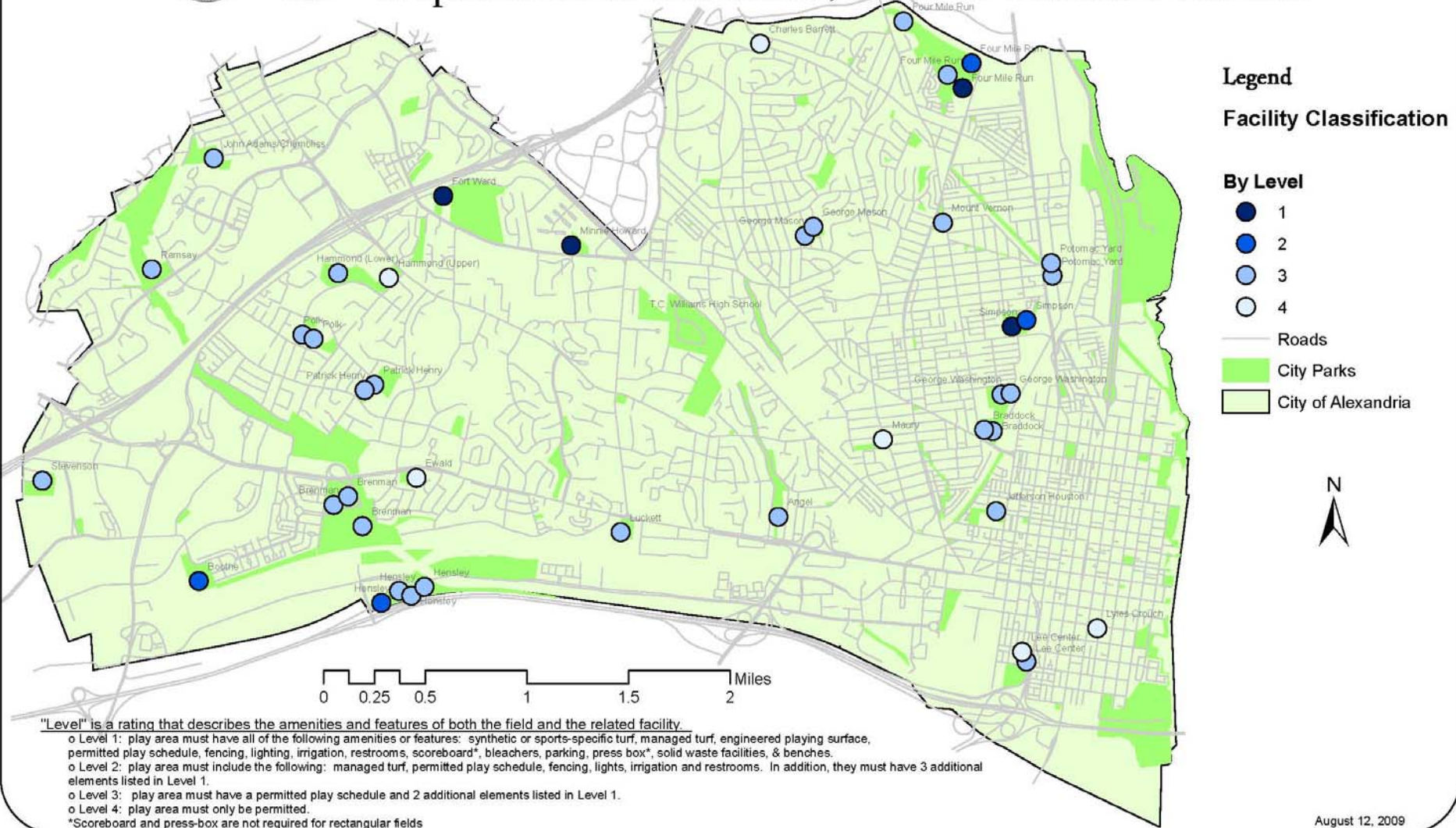
"Condition" describes the playability of the turf.

- o Excellent condition - characterized by a level playing surface (no puddling after rain event), 100% turf coverage with a sports-specific species, 100% weed free, minimal compaction
- o Good condition - characterized by a generally level playing surface with minor undulations, 95% turf coverage, 95% weed free, minor compaction
- o Fair condition - characterized by some ponding of water due to unlevelled surface or soil conditions, 90% turf coverage, untreated weeds, surface hardness due to compaction
- o Poor condition - saturation of turf during rain events, substantial undulation, weed infestation, considerable compaction, users susceptible to injury due to turf conditions

Facility Classification



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"Level" is a rating that describes the amenities and features of both the field and the related facility.

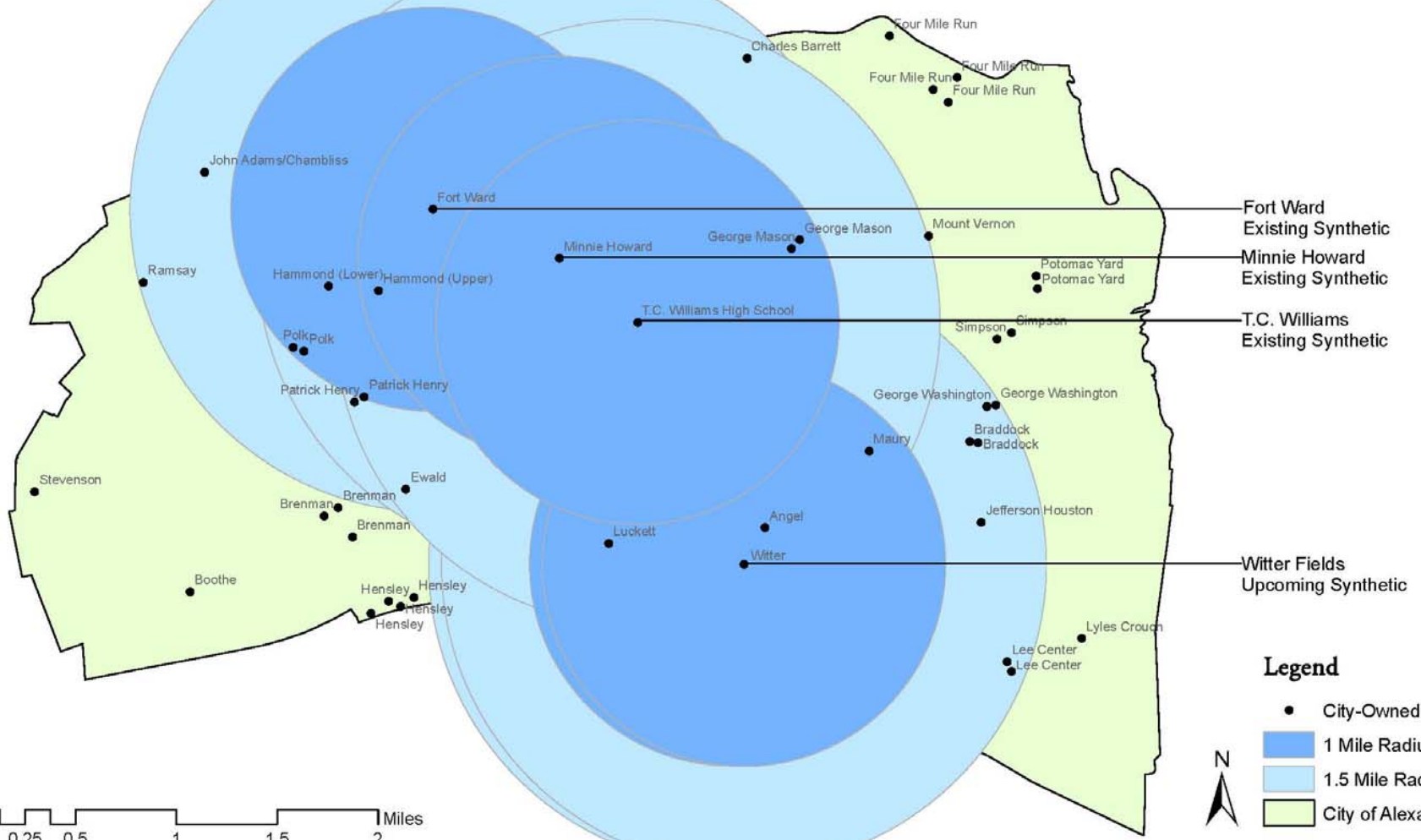
- o Level 1: play area must have all of the following amenities or features: synthetic or sports-specific turf, managed turf, engineered playing surface, permitted play schedule, fencing, lighting, irrigation, restrooms, scoreboard*, bleachers, parking, press box*, solid waste facilities, & benches.
- o Level 2: play area must include the following: managed turf, permitted play schedule, fencing, lights, irrigation and restrooms. In addition, they must have 3 additional elements listed in Level 1.
- o Level 3: play area must have a permitted play schedule and 2 additional elements listed in Level 1.
- o Level 4: play area must only be permitted.

*Scoreboard and press-box are not required for rectangular fields

Synthetic Field Locations



City of Alexandria
Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities



Fort Ward
Existing Synthetic

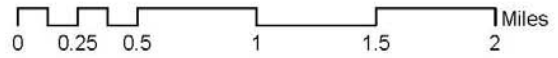
Minnie Howard
Existing Synthetic

T.C. Williams
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Witter Fields
Upcoming Synthetic

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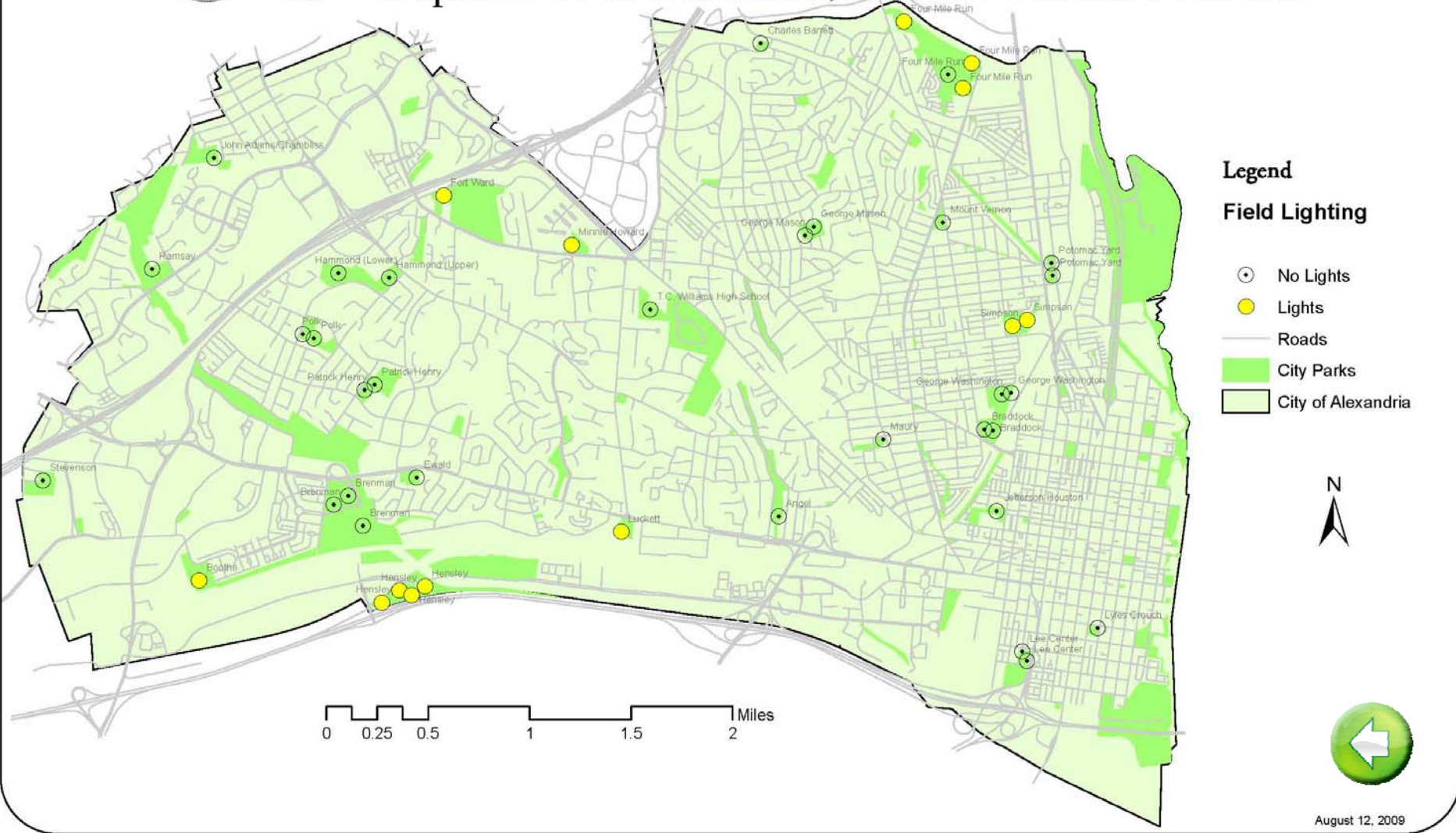
- City-Owned Fields
- 1 Mile Radius
- 1.5 Mile Radius
- City of Alexandria



Field Lighting



City of Alexandria
Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities



Fields Considered

Existing Rectangular Fields

1. Braddock
2. Ben Brenman
3. George Washington 1
4. George Washington 2
5. Hammond Upper
6. Hammond Lower
7. Hensley
8. Patrick Henry

Diamond Fields with Rectangular Overlay

9. John Adams
10. Ramsay
11. Stevenson
12. Lee Center
13. George Mason
14. Boothe

Fields Not Considered

...Due to Size

1. Ewald
2. Polk
3. Minnie Howard,
Phase II
4. Angel
5. Maury
6. Jeff. Houston
7. Lyles-Crouch
8. Mount Vernon
9. Charles Barrett

Other

1. Lockett
2. Simpson
3. Chinquapin
4. Four Mile Run

Already Converted

1. TC Williams
2. Minnie Howard I
3. Fort Ward
4. Witter*



Conversion Criteria

I. Size 

II. Direct Fiscal Impact 

III. Process 

IV. Impact to Existing Use 

V. Location 

VI. Field Condition 


VII. Public Access & Site Amenities 

VIII. Indirect Fiscal Impact 

IX. Constructability 

 Criteria unchanged
from 2007 Study

 Criteria refined
from 2007 Study

 Criteria new for
2009 Study



Determining Weights

Criteria

Group

EXAMPLE FROM MATRIX 1

Size	1
Direct Fiscal Impact	1
Process	1
Impact to Existing Use	2
Location	2
Field Condition	2
Access & Site	3
Indirect Fiscal Impact	3
Constructability	4

See A1 for formula for determining weights





Scoring the Matrix



Scoring the Matrix

2009 Conversion Study - Field Scoring

Criteria	Size	Direct Fiscal Impact	Process	Impact to an Existing Use	Location	Field Condition	Public Access & Site Amenities	Indirect Fiscal Impact	Constructability
Braddock	3	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	3
Brenman	3	3	1	3	3	2	3	2	3
Boothe	2	3	1	1	3	2	3	2	3
George Mason	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
George Washington 1	3	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3
George Washington 2	1	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3
Hammond Lower	3	1	3	3	1	3	2	3	1
Hammond Upper	3	3	2	3	1	3	1	2	2
Hensley*	1	1	3	3	3	2	3	3	2
John Adams	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2
Lee Center	1	3	1	2	2	3	2	2	3
Patrick Henry	1	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2
Ramsay	1	1	3	2	2	3	2	2	1
Stevenson	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	1

Matrix Results

	Matrix 1: 8,8,8,4	Score	Matrix 2: 6,8,8,8	Score	Matrix 3: 4,8,6,8	Score	Matrix 4: 4,10,8,10	Score
1	Brenman	2.46	Brenman	2.49	Brenman	2.54	Brenman	2.51
2	Hammond Upper	2.44	Hammond Upper	2.47	Hammond Upper	2.46	Hammond Upper	2.49
3	Hammond Lower	2.32	Hammond Lower	2.35	George Washington 1	2.28	George Washington 1	2.29
4	George Washington 1	2.22	George Washington 1	2.26	Hammond Lower	2.28	Hammond Lower	2.29
5	Braddock	2.12	Hensley*	2.23	Hensley*	2.26	Hensley*	2.27
6	Hensley*	2.10	Patrick Henry	2.14	Patrick Henry	2.21	Patrick Henry	2.22
7	Boothe	2.07	Braddock	2.07	George Washington 2	2.08	George Washington 2	2.11
8	Patrick Henry	2.00	Stevenson	2.02	Stevenson	2.08	Stevenson	2.07
9	Stevenson	1.98	Boothe	1.98	Braddock	2.08	Lee Center	2.07
10	Lee Center	1.93	Lee Center	1.98	Lee Center	2.08	Ramsay	2.07
11	Ramsay	1.88	George Washington 2	1.98	Boothe	2.03	Braddock	2.02
12	George Washington 2	1.83	Ramsay	1.93	Ramsay	1.92	Boothe	1.98
13	John Adams	1.80	John Adams	1.77	John Adams	1.79	John Adams	1.78
14	George Mason	1.44	George Mason	1.51	George Mason	1.56	George Mason	1.58

* Hensley would score a 1.82 if the field were relocated to the area recommended in the All-City Sports facility.

See A2 and A3 for weights of each matrix and the full recommended matrix.



Field Comparison

Brenman Field



Hammond Upper



✓	Location	✓	Size	✓	Process
✓	Site Amenities	✓	Direct Fiscal	✓	Field
✓	Constructability	✓	Impact to Existing Use		Condition
		✓	Indirect Impact		

Recommendation: Ben Brenman Field



Questions?
Comments?



Appendix

A1: Determining Weights

Example of formula for determining the base weight for criteria:

Group 1 Group 2 Group 3 Group 4

Relative Weight Relative Weight Relative Weight Relative Weight

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$$3(8x) + 3(4x) + 2(2x) + 1(1x) = 1$$

x = base weight

A2: Relative Weights Assigned to all Criteria & Matrices

<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Matrix</u>			
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
Size	8	6	4	4
Direct Fiscal	8	8	8	10
Process	8	8	6	8
Impact to Existing	4	8	8	10
Location	4	4	4	4
Field Condition	4	4	4	4
Access & Site	2	2	2	2
Indirect Fiscal	2	2	2	2
Constructability	1	1	1	1

A3: The Recommended Matrix

2009 Synthetic Fields Conversion Matrix

Criteria	Size	Direct Fiscal Impact	Process	Impact to an Existing Use	Location	Field Condition	Public Access & Site Amenities	Indirect Fiscal Impact	Constructability	Total
Weight	0.0889	0.2222	0.1778	0.2222	0.0889	0.0889	0.0444	0.0444	0.0222	1.00
Braddock	3	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	3	
	0.27	0.44	0.18	0.44	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.02
Brenman	3	3	1	3	3	2	3	2	3	
	0.27	0.67	0.18	0.67	0.27	0.18	0.13	0.09	0.07	2.51
Boothe	2	3	1	1	3	2	3	2	3	
	0.18	0.67	0.18	0.22	0.27	0.18	0.13	0.09	0.07	1.98
George Mason	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	
	0.09	0.44	0.18	0.44	0.09	0.18	0.09	0.04	0.02	1.58
George Washington 1	3	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3	
	0.27	0.67	0.18	0.67	0.18	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.29
George Washington 2	1	3	1	3	2	1	2	2	3	
	0.09	0.67	0.18	0.67	0.18	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.11
Hammond Lower	3	1	3	3	1	3	2	3	1	
	0.27	0.22	0.53	0.67	0.09	0.27	0.09	0.13	0.02	2.29
Hammond Upper	3	3	2	3	1	3	1	2	2	
	0.27	0.67	0.36	0.67	0.09	0.27	0.04	0.09	0.04	2.49
Hensley*	1	1	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	
	0.09	0.22	0.53	0.67	0.27	0.18	0.13	0.13	0.04	2.27
John Adams	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	
	0.09	0.44	0.36	0.22	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.04	1.78
Lee Center	1	3	1	2	2	3	2	2	3	
	0.09	0.67	0.18	0.44	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.07	2.07
Patrick Henry	1	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	
	0.09	0.44	0.36	0.67	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.04	2.22
Ramsay	1	1	3	2	2	3	2	2	1	
	0.09	0.22	0.53	0.44	0.18	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.02	1.93
Stevenson	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	1	
	0.09	0.44	0.36	0.44	0.27	0.27	0.09	0.09	0.02	2.07

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009
MT. VERNON RECREATION CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Review of the Summary Notes from the September Meeting
- III. Review of the Park and Recreation Commission Public Hearing on Synthetic Field/Lights at Ben Brenman
 - A. Next Steps
- IV. Field Updates
 - A. John Adams Baseball Field
 - B. Four Mile Baseball Fields
- V. Youth Sports Section Report
 - A. Football Program
 - B. Fundamental Basketball Clinic
 - D. Basketball Registration
 - E. Girls Volleyball Program
- VI. Program Updates
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Next Meeting Date – December 14
- X. Adjournment

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2009
MT. VERNON RECREATION CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Review of the Summary Notes from the November Meeting
- III. Follow-up Discussion on Synthetic Field/Lights at Ben Brenman as Opposed to Francis Hammond Middle School
- IV. Review the City Council's Strategic Goal for the Success of Children, Families and Youth
- V. City Council work session on Athletic Fields and Urban Forestry
 - A. Meeting Date – January 12
- VI. Field Updates
 - A. John Adams Baseball Field
 - B. Scoreboard Installation at Lockett
- VII. Youth Sports Section Report
 - A. Football Program - Proclamation
 - B. Basketball Registration
 - D. Girl's Volleyball Program
 - E. Softball Clinics
 - F. Baseball & Softball Registrations
- VIII. Program Updates
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XI. Next Meeting Date – January 11
- XII. Adjournment

YOUTH SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, December 14, 2009

Summary Notes

Board members present: Jim Gibson, Jeff Murphy, Mike Neilson, John Timmons, Bob Moir, John Ray, Richard Stone, Dennis Burstein, Bill Rivers

Staff member present: Mac Slover

Guest: Jim Spengler (Director, ADPRCA) joined the meeting at 7:45 pm

Jim started the meeting by asking that the November minutes be reviewed by the Board members present. The minutes were approved as written, with two minor revisions. On page 2 of the November minutes, the second line under John Timmons's section was changed from 1500 to 1800 kids participating. On page 3, line 3 of the Lacrosse section was changed from \$125 to \$135.

Jim asked Jim Spengler (Director, ADPRCA) to update the Board on the status of the artificial turf field at Ben Brenman Park.

Jim S. provided the following:

- A department study showed Ben Brenman as the highest priority, with Hammond just behind. However, the School Board is recommending the field be installed at Hammond. While Brenman would have lights, Hammond would not.
- Note: Jim G. indicated that the local citizens' association around Hammond opposes lights there.
- There will be a work session for the Council on January 12th regarding athletic fields, with both the School Board and the Rec Dept. participating.
- The Council will decide which alternative to pursue.
- For context, the City has \$1.4 million currently budgeted for a turf field in 2010. There is no money in 2011 for a field. From 2012 through 2015, there is projected funding for one field per year.

As part of the Board's discussion, Dennis indicated that there is a need for the field at Hammond due to the PE needs during the school days. However if there are no lights, he feels that the Brenman location provides more overall benefit for the City. The Board voted to support the Brenman alternative and Jim will draft a letter on the issue.

In response to a question about Strategic Goals for the City, Jim S. indicated that they were still working on them. There will be 3 public meetings and a final draft in January. Mac had a letter from Alexandria Little League about the process as a handout. John R. said that the letter was basically showing the need for support for youth sports. He indicated that he would be at January 12th Council meeting.

Mac then gave an update on the progress at other fields:

- John Adams:
 - The construction schedule was included as a handout.
 - There will not be lights.
 - May 15th start date.
- Luckett:
 - Bishop Ireton has donated a scoreboard – their girls’ softball team uses the field.
 - The City will try to focus even more softball games at the field – it is in great shape.

Jim then asked for program updates:

Jim (Football):

- 13 teams; 5 in playoffs; 2 championships
- Council did a proclamation last week honoring the teams.
- Expect increased growth in program.
- Awards recognition program last week at Lee Center.
- Looking to retain the good coaches and train new ones.
- Also exploring setting up a Coaches Association and a boosters club.

Richard (Girls Sports):

- Very pleased with the growth of the volleyball program.
- Also Fall softball played with Arlington – had two teams.

Bill (Basketball):

- Thanked Mac for coordinating girls team trip to a TC game. Everything went smoothly.
- Deferred to Mac for other basketball updates.

Jeff (Rugby):

- Doing recruiting at Minnie Howard/Hammond/GW
- 100 plus kids signed up as interested.
- He expects afterschool programs at Hammond and GW.
- Reminded members of the new movie – Invictus – about rugby in South Africa.
- Also indicated that he was with the Sportmens’ Club and that they were conducting a raffle – funds to be used for scholarships.

Dennis (ACPS):

- PE classes have been expanded from 30 minutes to 45 minutes.
- Some Hammond kids were in a national commercial ad for NFL Play60 program.

John R. (Baseball):

- Pre-registration is going on now for the Spring.
- Registration is being done on on-line.
- Discussions going on now about a travel league interacting with the rest of ALL.

Bob (Lacrosse):

- Registration has started.

Mac (Various):

- Cheerleading:
 - Exhibition was at TC last weekend.
 - 13 teams.
 - Competition will be held on April 10th; open to non-Alexandria teams for the first time.
- Basketball:
 - 96 teams – one more than last year.
 - Heavy at the young ages – 25 at 8 and Under and 26 at 10 and Under
 - 14 and Under girls will play with Arlington.
 - Eliminated draft for them this year.
 - Back to teams by Rec Center.
- Volleyball:
 - 100 plus girls in the program.
 - Championship will be on Friday night.
 - 2 travel teams have come out of the program.
- Softball:
 - Clinics to be held in February.
 - 4 Saturdays; 1.5 hours each.
 - \$50 per clinic.
- Field Hockey:
 - In cooperation with the TC coach.
 - June/July program.
 - Some donations have already come in for the program.
 - Goal is 100 girls participating.
- Baseball and softball registration will be done on-line this year.

Jim brought up some old business – the group meeting about lights at TC. John T. was representing the Board at the meeting, however the meeting was postponed by the TC

AD. It appears that there will be one trial game with portable lights at TC next Fall. See how things go from there.

For new business, Jim brought up the idea of recognizing School Board or City Council members for their support of youth sports. After some discussion, it was agreed that members would send Jim some ideas as to how to do it.

Jim adjourned the meeting. Next meeting will be January 11th.