



Athletic Facilities and Operations

I. Introduction

Perhaps no other issue creates as much controversy in a park system as its quantity and perceived quality of athletic facilities. Competition for limited resources is always fierce, and participants in every type of organized sport would like to have the best possible competitive facilities.

Organized sports are among the most important activities provided or supported by a parks system. Sports teach teamwork, personal sacrifice for the greater good of many, and allow us to satisfy our competitive natures in a friendly way. Almost no other activity contributes as much to the development of character in our youth today.

El Paso has a very young population, and as such should have an enormous demand for athletic programs. However, with its limited resources, the City is instead a secondary provider of athletics, allowing private sources to organize and promote leagues for various sports. Essentially, the role of the City Parks system is to provide the facilities for use by the organizers of the various leagues. While this provides fiscal relief, it does not always insure adequate access for all. Private organized leagues tend to stress competition rather than the recreation value of sports.



From an operational standpoint, El Paso's field maintenance staff operate in a harsh environment. Staff deal with the lack of rainfall, poor soil conditions, heavy overuse of fields, and the constant demand for top notch facilities. Given all of this, city staff actually do an excellent job with the resources that they have. But participation by a much broader cross section of the population could probably be significantly higher if additional facilities and resources were available to city staff.

II. Major Organized Sports Needs

The current supply of athletic facilities is shown on the tables on the following pages. Key findings are as follows.

The majority of baseball fields are lighted for evening use. However, many fields have older wooden poles that should be replaced.

Soccer fields tend not to be lighted. In fact, only 10% of the soccer fields have lights for nighttime use.

Few clusters of multiple fields exist throughout the city. Many fields have been added in smaller parks with limited space for fields.

The ratio of athletic facilities is relatively low

Baseball

Existing Supply of Fields

- The city only has six parks with three or more baseball fields together. Much of the supply in the city, especially in the Central and Mission Valley planning areas is in one or two field clusters. These provide excellent neighborhood access, but are somewhat inefficient for leagues with multiple teams.
- The majority of baseball fields in El Paso are lighted, allowing for extended use into the cooler evenings.
- The Central and the Eastside Planning areas have the fewest number of fields per capita. The Central area has only 10 fields, and the entire Eastside with almost 200,000 residents only has 11 fields.
- Until the new Westside Sports Complex is completed, West El Paso only has access to 6 fields. The new complex should significantly improve the availability of fields in the area, but major deficiencies will still occur west of the Rio Grande River towards the New Mexico border.

Recommendations for Baseball

- A four to five field complex is needed to serve the central and near west side.
- A three field complex is needed to serve the upper central and northeast planning areas.
- A five field complex is recommended for far east El Paso in the new regional park.
- An additional two fields should be located at Yucca Park if the park is expanded.

- A three field complex, or two two-field pairs are needed in the Central area.
- These 18 fields will bring the total city supply to just under one field for every 10,000 residents by the year 2016. While less than perfect, this supply should be adequate.
- Additional fields should be added in the future in the far northwest and far northeast areas of the city.

The tables on the following pages note the location of existing baseball facilities in the city.

Multi-field baseball facilities in El Paso (bold indicates 3 fields or more)



Baseball

SPORTS FACILITIES - BASEBALL

PARK	Alternative Name	ADDRESS	Area	Dist	Type	Total Acres	Turf Acres	Water Sys
Central								
Alta Vista Baseball Field		3501 Morenci Rd.	C	8	Baseball Field	1.50	1.00	Auto
Roger Brown Ballfield Memorial		1200 Alabama Ave.	C	2	Baseball Field	1.00	1.00	Auto
Washington		1701 Copia St.	C	2	Community	43.00	32.38	Auto
Grandview		200 Washington St.	C	3	Community	60.00	15.00	Auto
Tula Irrobali	Alamo	3100 Jefferson Ave.	C	2	Neighborhood	15.00	12.10	Auto
Delta	WW II Veterans Co. E	601 S. Park St.	C	8	Neighborhood	2.00	1.75	Auto
Modesto Gomez		4321 Delta Dr.	C	3	Community	12.36	9.00	Auto
		4600 Edna Ave.	C	3	Community	32.19	20.50	Auto
Subtotal								
Level of Service - 2006					Population	120,049	1 field for every 15,006 residents	
Level of Service - 2016					Population	125,132	1 field for every 15,642 residents	

Eastside								
Vista Del Sol		1900 Trawood Dr.	E	7	Neighborhood	16.00	15.50	Auto
Ponder		7500 Burgess Dr.	E	3	Community	23.10	21.75	Manual
Eastwood	Album	3110 Parkwood St.	E	5	Regional	47.04	40.00	Auto
Marty Robbins		11600 Vista Del Sol Dr.	E	6	Community	31.00	30.00	Auto
Subtotal								
Level of Service - 2006					Population	197,463	1 field for every 17,951 residents	
Level of Service - 2016					Population	240,584	1 field for every 21,871 residents	

Baseball Fields (not lighted)	Baseball Fields (lighted)	Comments
0	1	
0	1	
0	1	
0	1	
0	1	
0	1	
0	2	
0	0	
0	8	
Percent of Target LOS		47%
Percent of Target LOS		45%

0	1	
1	2	
0	3	
0	4	
1	10	
Percent of Target LOS		39%
Percent of Target LOS		32%

Baseball (con't)

Mission Valley								
Lancaster		701 Brandywine Rd.	LV	6	Neighborhood	5.62	3.00	Auto
Thomas Manor		7901 Knights Dr.	LV	7	Neighborhood	12.20	9.20	Manual
Shawver, J.P.	Shawver	8100 Independence	LV	7	Regional	40.90	37.60	Auto
Pavo Real		9301 Alameda Ave.	LV	6	Community	20.00	17.00	Auto
Zaragoza	Ysleta Cut-Off	1100 N. Zaragoza Rd.	LV	6	Community	17.40	17.40	Manual
Hacienda		7735 Phoenix Ave.	LV	7	Neighborhood	23.40	20.90	Auto
Hidden Valley	Cowboy	200 Coconut Tree Ln.	LV	3	Neighborhood	10.00	9.00	Manual
Yucca		7975 Williamette Ave.	LV	7	Neighborhood	16.60	15.10	Auto
William, E.L.	Lafayette	752 Lafayette Dr.	LV	7	Neighborhood	6.00	1.50	Manual
Capistrano		8700 Padilla Dr.	LV	6	Community	18.00	15.00	Auto
Blackie Chesher	5-Plex	9144 Escobar Dr.	LV	6	Regional	34.00	53.00	Auto
Subtotal								
Level of Service - 2006	Population	101,450	1 field for every			7,246	residents	
Level of Service - 2016	Population	109,117	1 field for every			7,794	residents	

1	0	
1	0	
2	0	
0	1	
0	1	
0	1	
0	1	
0	2	Non city facility
0	3	
0	0	Fields used for softball
4	10	
Percent of Target LOS		97%
Percent of Target LOS		90%

Northeast								
Sue Young	Civic Leaders (site N)	9730 Diana Dr.	NE	4	Community	25.20	24.70	Auto
Franklin		6050 Quail Ave.	NE	4	Neighborhood	10.00	9.88	Auto
Skyline Youth	Site "M" & "P"	5050 Yvette Ave.	NE	4	Community	172.00	24.90	Auto
Nations Tobin		8831 Railroad Dr.	NE	2	Community	44.00	42.30	Auto
Veterans		5301 Salem Dr.	NE	4	Regional	44.00	41.00	Auto
Subtotal								
Level of Service - 2006	Population	91,349	1 field for every			7,027	residents	
Level of Service - 2016	Population	115,128	1 field for every			8,856	residents	

2	0	
0	1	
0	2	
0	3	
3	2	
5	8	
Percent of Target LOS		100%
Percent of Target LOS		79%

Baseball (con't)

Northwest								
Marwood		4325 River Bend Dr.	NW	8	Neighborhood	12.50	12.15	manual
Lambka, Irwin J.	Cloudview	6600 Cloudview Dr.	NW	1	Community	13.20	12.86	Manual
Westside Sports Complex			NW	1	Sports Complex			
Subtotal								
Level of Service - 2006	Population	105555			1 field for every 8,120 residents			
Level of Service - 2016	Population	148332			1 field for every 11,410 residents			

0	1	
0	4	
8	0	Fields available in 2007 - 2008
8	5	
Percent of Target LOS		86%
Percent of Target LOS		61%

					Not Lighted	Lighted		
Citywide Total Number of Fields					18	41	Total = 59 Fields	
Level of Service - 2006	Population	634,500		1 field for every 10,754 residents				
Level of Service - 2016	Population	765,000		1 field for every 12,966 residents				

LIGHTED
 NOT LIGHTED

Soccer

Existing Supply of Fields

El Paso has over 110 soccer fields, if the 28 new fields proposed as part of the new Soccer Complex at Fort Bliss and the Westside Sports Complex are included. However, only 10% of the current fields in the city are lighted for nighttime use, eliminating an immediate way to stretch the field supply in the city. The existing level of service, including the new fields, is approximately one field for every 5,500 residents. This level of service is better than average for a city the size of El Paso. Even with no additional fields beyond the proposed complexes, the supply remains at a little over one field for every 6,300 residents by the year 2016. Immediate needs are related more to distribution and quantity in and field quality than overall quantity.

Distribution of fields is good in the Northeast and Eastern planning areas, but is considerably worse in the Central and the far West Planning areas. The Central area only has five current fields, while the Northwest has 10 fields. Both areas will benefit from the new soccer complexes that are opening in the next one to two years, but the problem in the Central District remains more critical. Given the difficulty of acquiring land in the Central area, agreements with the area school districts to use school playing fields, as well as increasing the supply at Ascarate may be the most immediate solution. Ultimately, a four to six field complex in the Central area is required.

Apart from the two new complexes, other parts of the city lack large multi-field complexes with more than four fields. Sue

Young, Veterans, Shawver, Blackie Chesser and Chester Jordan are the only parks with more than three fields each.

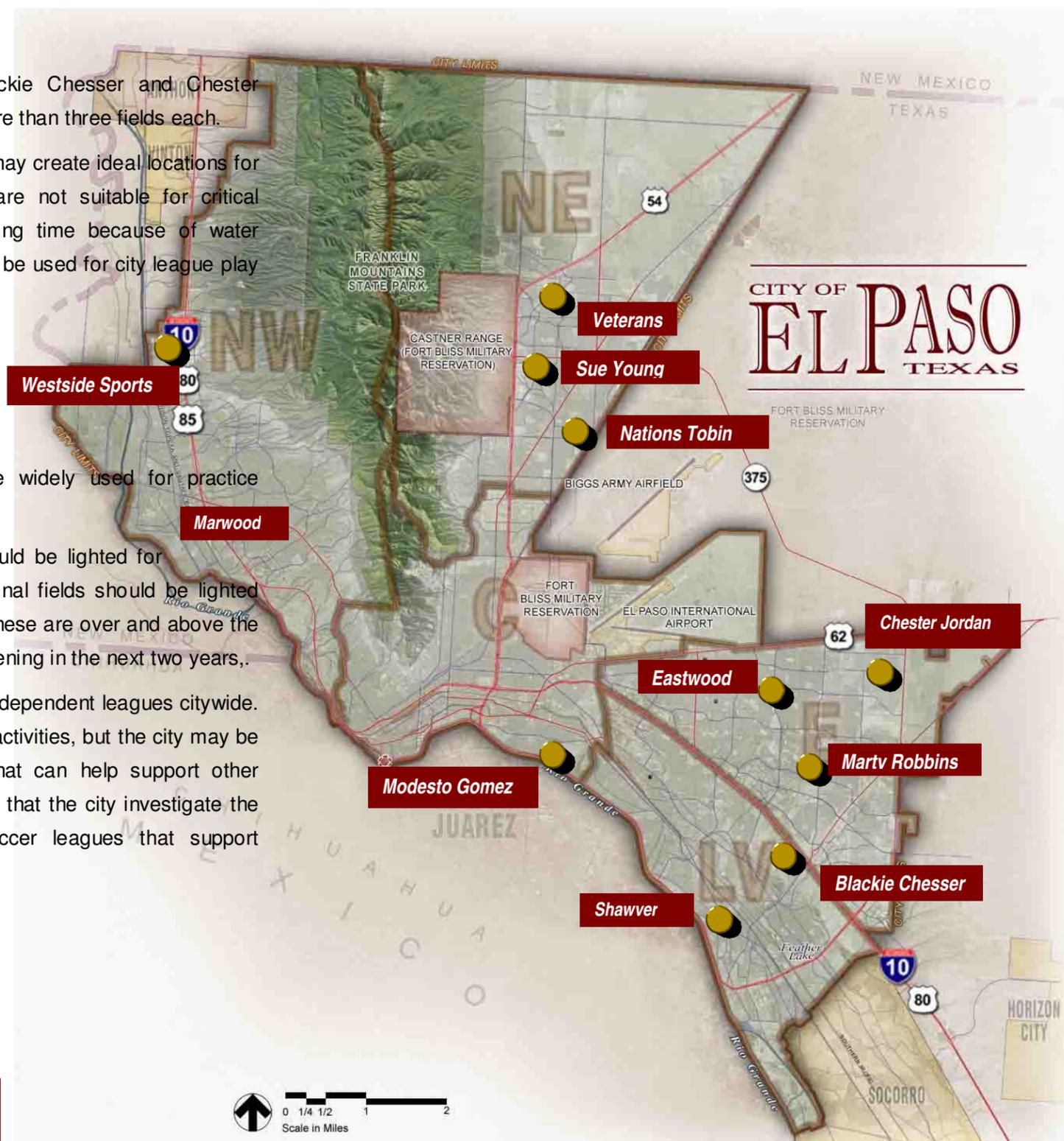
Larger drainage detention areas may create ideal locations for additional fields. While these are not suitable for critical league play where loss of playing time because of water storage in the detention, they can be used for city league play for younger players.

Recommendations for Soccer

Detention areas should also be widely used for practice facilities for soccer.

Soccer fields at major parks should be lighted for evening use. At least 20 additional fields should be lighted over the next five to ten years. These are over and above the fields in the new parks that are opening in the next two years.

Currently, soccer is provided by independent leagues citywide. This frees staff to focus on other activities, but the city may be losing a revenue opportunity that can help support other activities. This plan recommends that the city investigate the possibility of beginning city soccer leagues that support younger age groups.



Major soccer facilities in El Paso

Soccer

SOCCER FIELDS

PARK	Alternative Name	Level	Area	Dist	Type	Total Acres	Turf Acres	Natural areas (acres)	Water Sys	Soccer Field (Not Lighted)	Soccer Field (Lighted)	Comments
Central												
Mary Webb		1	C	8	Neighborhood	2.05	1.72		Auto		1	
Memorial		1	C		Community					1		
Modesto Gomez		2	C	8	Community	32.19	20.50		Auto	2	1	
Fort Bliss Soccer (planned)		1	C		Sports Complex	100.00	80.00			8	2	
Facility Total										11	4	
Level of Service - 2006						Population	121,049	1 field for every 8,070 residents		Percent of Target LOS		62%
Level of Service - 2015						Population	125,132	1 field for every 8,342 residents		Percent of Target LOS		60%

Eastside												
Cielo Vista		1	E	5	Neighborhood	6.60	5.30		Manual	1		
Palm Grove		2	E	5	Neighborhood	5.59	5.59		Auto	1		
Vista Del Sol		1	E	7	Community	16.00	15.50		Auto	2		
Marty Robbins	855-4147	1	E	6	Community	31.00	30.00		Auto	3		
Dick Shinaut	Saul Kleinfeld	1	E	5	Neighborhood	14.50	14.00		Auto	3		
Eastwood	Album	1	E	2	Regional	47.04	40.00		Auto	2		2 additional fields used for football
Vista Del Valle		1	E	3	Community	22.13	16.00		Auto	6		
Walter Clarke		1	E	6	Community	16.50	16.00		Auto	6		
Chester Jordan	Hambrick	1	E	5	Neighborhood	10.00	10.00		Auto	7		
Pico Norte		1	E	6	Neighborhood	11.00	11.00		Auto	1	1	
Sal Berroteran	SUN RIDGE	1	E	5	Neighborhood	10.00	10.00		Auto	1	1	
Facility Total										33	2	
Level of Service - 2006						Population	197,463	1 field for every 5,642 residents		Percent of Target LOS		89%
Level of Service - 2015						Population	240,584	1 field for every 6,874 residents		Percent of Target LOS		73%

Soccer (con't)

Mission Valley												
Lancaster		2	LV	7	Neighborhood	5.62	3.00		Auto	1	2 fields available, used for football	
Lomaland		1	LV	3	Neighborhood	10.90	9.80		auto	1		
Marian Manor		1	LV	3	Neighborhood	9.10	8.50		auto	0		
Stiles		2	LV	7	Neighborhood	7.00	6.70		Auto	1		
Thomas Manor		2	LV	6	Neighborhood	12.20	9.20		Manual	1		
Pavo Real		1	LV	6	Community	20.00	17.00		Auto	3		
Shawver, J.P.	Shawver	1	LV	7	Community	40.90	37.60		Auto	4		
Blackie Chesher	5-Plex	1	LV	2	Regional	66.00	64.00		Auto	3		
Facility Total										14		1
Level of Service - 2006	Population					101,450		1 field for every	6,763 residents	Percent of Target LOS		74%
Level of Service - 2015	Population					109,117		1 field for every	7,274 residents	Percent of Target LOS	69%	

Northeast												
Mountain View		1	NE	4	Neighborhood	5.95	5.75		Auto	1	2 fields available, used for football	
Todd Ware	Site "O"	1	NE	8	Neighborhood	7.50	7.50		Auto	2		
Nations Tobin		1	NE	2	Community	44.00	42.30		Auto	3		
Skyline Youth	Site "M" & "P"	1	NE	4	Community	172.00	24.90	147.10	Auto	3		
Franklin		2	NE	4	Neighborhood	10.00	9.88		Auto	3		
Veterans		1	NE	4	Community	44.00	41.00		Auto	4		
Sue Young		1	NE	4	Community	25.20	24.70		Auto	6		
Fort Bliss Soccer (planned)		1	C		Sports Complex	100.00	80.00			8		
Facility Total										30		2
Level of Service - 2006	Population					91,349		1 field for every	2,855 residents	Percent of Target LOS		175%
Level of Service - 2015	Population					115,128		1 field for every	3,598 residents	Percent of Target LOS	139%	

Soccer (con't)

Northwest												
Crestmont		2	NW	1	Neighborhood	7.00	7.00		Auto	1		
Marwood		1	NW	8	Neighborhood	12.50	12.15		Auto	1		
Mission Hills		1	NW	1	Neighborhood	10.80	10.75		Auto	1		
Thorn		2	NW	1	Neighborhood	3.45	3.40		Auto	1		Field primarily used for rugby
Valley Creek Park		1	NW	1	Community	36.00	5.00		Auto	2		
Galatzan Park	Westside Park	1	NW	8	Community	21.40	8.00		Auto	3	1	
Westside Sports Complex			NW	8	Sports Complex	30.00	26.00		Auto	8	2	Available 2007-2008
Facility Total										17	3	
Level of Service - 2006		Population		105,555		1 field for every 5,278 residents				Percent of Target LOS		95%
Level of Service - 2015		Population		148,332		1 field for every 7,417 residents				Percent of Target LOS		67%

Citywide Total Number of Fields										105	12	117
Level of Service - 2006		Population		634,500		1 field for every 5,423 residents				Percent of Target LOS		92%
Level of Service - 2015		Population		767,000		1 field for every 6,556 residents				Percent of Target LOS		76%

Non-Lighted Fields	90%
Lighted Fields	10%

Softball

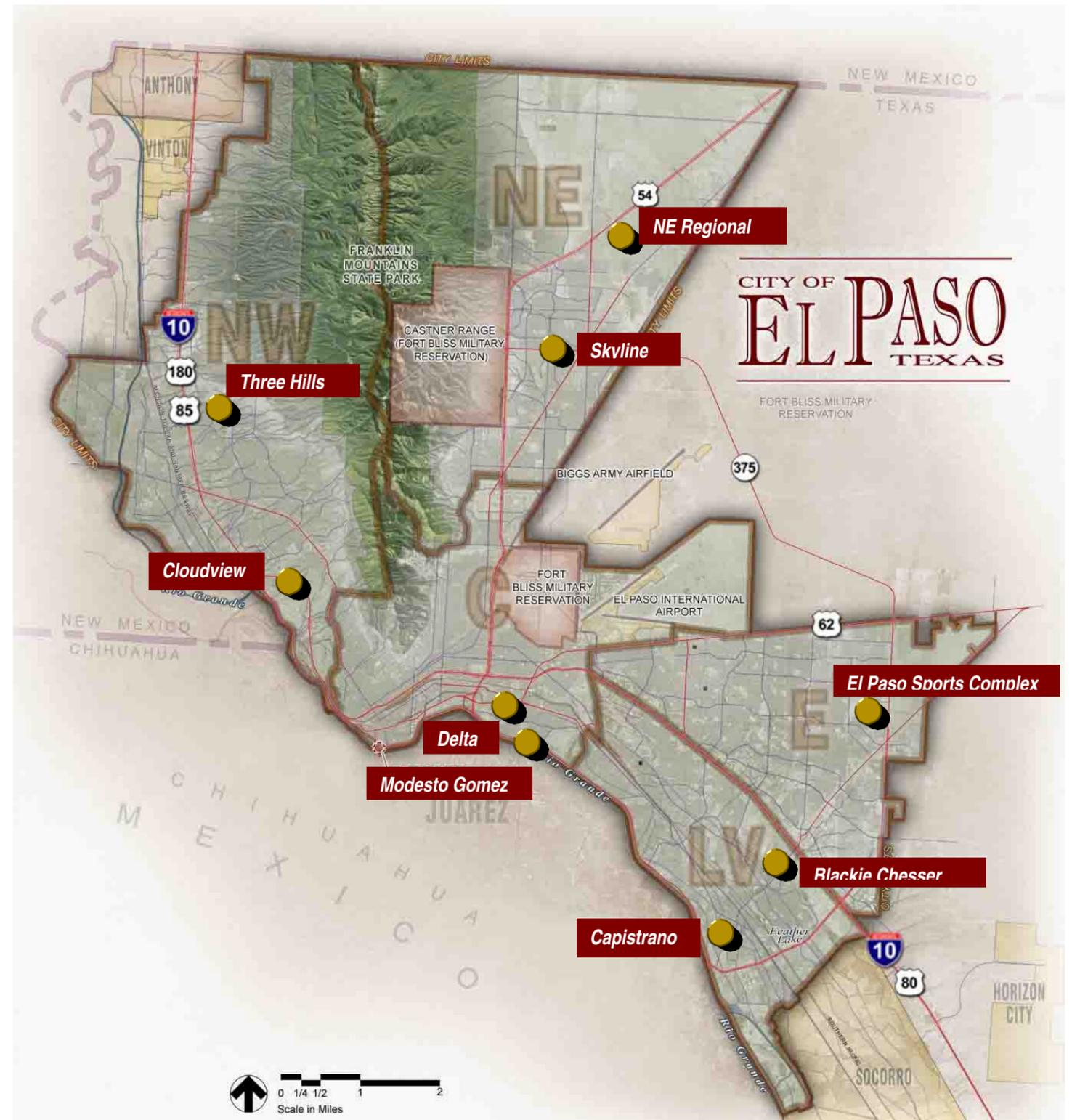
Existing Supply of Fields

El Paso has a total of 50 potential softball fields, but only 16 to 18 fields are used for softball on a regular basis (including new fields at Three Hills Regional Park. Also included in that total are four new fields that are under construction at the Northeast Regional Park. All are lighted for evening play. Major facilities include the complex at Blackie Chesser, which is considered to be at a tournament quality level, and the new complex at Northeast Regional Park. Fields are lacking in the Northwest area as well as the Central area. The two fields at Modesto Gomez are built on a closed landfill, resulting in a very poor playing surface.

Key recommendations for softball include:

1. Consider permanently removing the fields at Modesto Gomez and replacing them at a new three field complex in the Central area. The location for such a complex would have to be identified.
2. Develop a three field complex to serve the west side. New facilities planned for the Three Hills Regional Park can address the immediate west side needs.
3. Work with local school districts to insure that facilities for girls softball play are available.
4. Work with El Paso County to ensure that the El Paso Sports Complex remains open and in high quality condition.

Major Locations for Softball Facilities in El Paso)



Softball

SPORTS FACILITIES - SOFTBALL

PARK	Alternative Name	ADDRESS	Area	Dist	Type	Total Acres	Turf Acres	Water Sys	Softball Fields (not lighted)	Softball Fields (lighted)	Comments
Central											
Alta Vista Baseball Field		3501 Morenci Rd.	C	8	Baseball Field	1.50	1.00	Auto	0	0	
Roger Brown Ballfield		1200 Alabama Ave.	C	2	Baseball Field	1.00	1.00	Auto	0	1	
Memorial		1701 Copia St.	C	2	Community	43.00	32.38	Auto	0	1	
Washington		200 Washington St.	C	3	Community	60.00	15.00	Auto	0	1	
Grandview		3100 Jefferson Ave.	C	2	Neighborhood	15.00	12.10	Auto	0	0	
Tula Irrobali	Alamo	601 S. Park St.	C	8	Neighborhood	2.00	1.75	Auto	0	0	
Delta	WW II Veterans Co. E	4321 Delta Dr.	C	3	Community	12.36	9.00	Auto	0	2	
Modesto Gomez		4600 Edna Ave.	C	3	Community	32.19	20.50	Auto	0	2	
Subtotal									0	7	
Level of Service - 2006		Population	120,049	1 field for every		17,150	residents	Percent of Target LOS		58%	
Level of Service - 2015		Population	125,132	1 field for every		17,876	residents	Percent of Target LOS		56%	

Eastside											
Vista Del Sol		1900 Trawood Dr.	E	7	Neighborhood	16.00	15.50	Auto	0	1	
Ponder		7500 Burgess Dr.	E	3	Community	23.10	21.75	Manual	1	2	
Eastwood	Album	3110 Parkwood St.	E	5	Regional	47.04	40.00	Auto	0	3	
Marty Robbins		11600 Vista Del Sol Dr.	E	6	Community	31.00	30.00	Auto	0	4	
Subtotal									1	10	
Level of Service - 2006		Population	197,463	1 field for every		17,951	residents	Percent of Target LOS		56%	
Level of Service - 2015		Population	24,084	1 field for every		2,189	residents	Percent of Target LOS		457%	



Softball (con't)

Lower Valley

Lancaster		701 Brandywine Rd.	LV	6	Neighborhood	5.62	3.00	Auto
Thomas Manor		7901 Knights Dr.	LV	7	Neighborhood	12.20	9.20	Manual
Shawver, J.P.	Shawver	8100 Independence	LV	7	Regional	40.90	37.60	Auto
Pavo Real		9301 Alameda Ave.	LV	6	Community	20.00	17.00	Auto
Zaragoza	Ysleta Cut-Off	1100 N. Zaragoza Rd.	LV	6	Community	17.40	17.40	Manual
Hacienda		7735 Phoenix Ave.	LV	7	Neighborhood	23.40	20.90	Auto
Hidden Valley	Cowboy	200 Coconut Tree Ln.	LV	3	Neighborhood	10.00	9.00	Manual
Yucca		7975 Williamette Ave.	LV	7	Neighborhood	16.60	15.10	Auto
William, E.L.	Lafayette	752 Lafayette Dr.	LV	7	Neighborhood	6.00	1.50	Manual
Capistrano		8700 Padilla Dr.	LV	6	Community	18.00	15.00	Auto
Blackie Chesher	5-Plex	9144 Escobar Dr.	LV	6	Regional	34.00	53.00	Auto
Subtotal								
Level of Service - 2006		Population	101,450	1 field for every		5,339	residents	
Level of Service - 2015		Population	109,117	1 field for every		5,743	residents	

1	0
1	0
2	0
0	1
0	1
0	1
0	1
0	2
0	3
0	5
4	15
Percent of Target LOS	
Percent of Target LOS	

Non city facility
Fields used for softball
187%
174%

Northeast

Sue Young	Civic Leaders (site N)	9730 Diana Dr.	NE	4	Community	25.20	24.70	Auto
Franklin		6050 Quail Ave.	NE	4	Neighborhood	10.00	9.88	Auto
Skyline Youth	Site "M" & "P"	5050 Yvette Ave.	NE	4	Community	172.00	24.90	Auto
Nations Tobin		8831 Railroad Dr.	NE	2	Community	44.00	42.30	Auto
Veterans		5301 Salem Dr.	NE	4	Regional	44.00	41.00	Auto
Northeast Regional Park		9144 Escobar Dr.	LV	6	Regional	34.00	53.00	Auto
Subtotal								
Level of Service - 2006		Population	97,448	1 field for every		9,745	residents	
Level of Service - 2015		Population	115,128	1 field for every		11,513	residents	

0	0
0	0
0	2
0	3
3	2
0	4
3	7
Percent of Target LOS	
Percent of Target LOS	

Fields used for softball
103%
87%



Softball (con't)

Northwest												
Marwood		4325 River Bend Dr.	NW	8	Neighborhood	12.50	12.15	manual		0	0	
Lambka, Irwin J.	Cloudview	6600 Cloudview Dr.	NW	1	Community	13.20	12.86	Manual		0	1	
Westside Sports Complex			NW	1	Sports Complex					2	0	Fields available in 2007 - 2008
Subtotal										2	1	
Level of Service - 2006	Population	105,555			1 field for every	35,185	residents			Percent of Target LOS		28%
Level of Service - 2015	Population	148,332			1 field for every	49,444	residents			Percent of Target LOS		20%
Citywide Total Number of Fields										10	40	Total = 67 Fields
Level of Service - 2006	Population	634,500			1 field for every	12,690	residents					
Level of Service - 2015	Population	765,000			1 field for every	15,300	residents					

LIGHTED
 NOT LIGHTED

Football

Football is currently played at 12 fields located throughout the city. Nations Tobin has three available fields, while Marwood, Album, Marion Manor and Yucca each have two fields.

Additional football fields should be provided in regional parks, such as the planned Eastside Regional Park and the expansion of the Northeast Regional Park. Two additional football fields are needed on the west side and in the central area.

III. Other General Operational Issues facing Athletics

Inadequate number of facilities – the trend towards building athletic complexes is helping to resolve the inadequate field supply, and also helps to consolidate play at regional facilities. The city should maintain a balance between facilities for neighborhood play, which are generally targeted at younger age groups, and regional facilities which are intended for adult and more advanced play.

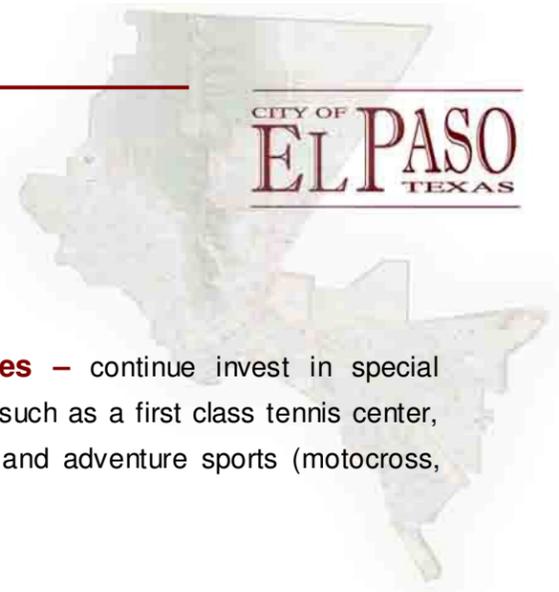
The great distances in El Paso require that regional facilities in each planning area be constructed for each major sport. This has already started with construction of the Northeast Regional Park and the Westside Sports Complex, and should continue over the next ten years.

Inadequate staff for field setup – Chapter 11 discusses staff needs. Currently a crew of only three staff members is expected to prepare over 50 fields throughout the city for play on a daily or weekly basis. The sheer distances involved make this a daunting and highly inefficient task. The move to increase field maintenance staff is critical and should be accomplished in the next one to two years.

City leagues vs. privately run Independent leagues – independent leagues provide many of the sports opportunities throughout the city, especially in soccer. The city must ensure that adequate playing opportunities are being provided citywide, and that youth have access to sports if they so desire. Scholarship opportunities should be provided so that all youth in El Paso have can play if they so desire. Close-in facilities also can ease parent concerns over transportation concerns.

Lack of first class regional facilities – in some parts of the city first class athletic facilities are lacking. The central area in particular needs access to a new sports complex that provides softball, baseball and soccer/football fields. A location for such a facility needs to be identified.

Cost recovery for non-city leagues – currently, independent leagues are only charged \$5 per season for the use of city fields. This amount was recently increased from \$2 per player, but is still extremely low and does not begin to recover the real cost of preparing and maintaining fields. The city should continue to raise this amount and educate



Plan for future facilities with both field and parking expansion capabilities. Facilities such as the Westside Sports Complex are limited by the lack of expansion space.

independent league players and leaders on the real cost of providing recreation fields.

Consider providing city organized league play for recreational purposes – currently, independent leagues provide playing opportunities for some softball, baseball and all soccer play in the city. The city should consider expanding city provided league play if it can generate a positive revenue flow. This will also provide additional play opportunities for city youth that may not currently be available.

Revenue from Vending Opportunities – vending can provide significant revenue opportunities at sports complexes. The city should establish policies that restrict outside vending opportunities, with the understanding that revenue raised from on-site vending should be used only for park related expenditures.

Tracking Software – prior recommendations to begin using tracking software must be followed through, so that staff can more readily organize leagues and track usage. Staff training to use the new software must be a high priority.

Athletics Management Staff – Senior professional staff are needed to organize and manage athletics so that growth and better access can occur in El Paso. Current staff are overwhelmed by having to organize, manage, prepare and oversee facilities with an extremely limited number of staff.

Build specialty facilities – continue invest in special facilities for unique sports such as a first class tennis center, cricket, bocce ball, rugby and adventure sports (motocross, BMX biking, etc.).



Good concession and bathroom facilities can increase revenue and reinforce the notion that El Paso is providing first class athletic facilities..

