

Chapter 12

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND OPEN SPACE

Section 12.1 Parks, playgrounds, schools sites, etc.

- A. In subdividing property, consideration shall be given by the developer to the dedication or reservation of suitable sites for schools, parks, playgrounds, and other areas for public use so as to conform to the recommendations of the Planning Commission in its adopted master plan or portion thereof of the city-parish. Areas to be dedicated or reserved for schools, parks, and playgrounds should be indicated on the preliminary plan in order that it may be determined when and in what manner such areas will be dedicated to or acquired by the appropriate taxing agency. In general, whenever the proposed subdivision contains twenty (20) acres or includes more than one hundred (100) lots, consideration shall be given to the reservation or dedication of a suitable area for school and recreation purposes.
- B. For parks and playgrounds, five (5) acres should be provided for each one hundred (100) lots in the proposed subdivision or each four hundred (400) units in a multi-dwelling development with the location to be mutually agreed upon by the developer, the East Baton Rouge Parish Recreation, and Parks Commission (BREC) and the Planning Commission. This should be adjacent to or combined with the school site whenever possible.
- C. For school sites, every subdivision or group of subdivisions with two hundred (200) lots or more should be provided with a basic site of seven (7) acres plus an additional acre for each additional one hundred (100) lots in the proposed subdivision or in the vicinity. Location and confirmation of the school site shall be mutually agreed upon by the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, the Planning Commission, the developers, and also BREC where school and park sites are to be jointly used or designated. Agreement shall also be made on the method of acquisition and development to provide for acquisition on an acreage basis rather than as developed lots.