

**CITY OF DAPHNE
CITY COUNCIL**

ROLL CALL

CITY COUNCIL:

COUNCILWOMAN CONAWAY	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
COUNCILMAN RUDICELL	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
COUNCILMAN LAKE	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
COUNCILMAN SCOTT	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
COUNCILMAN LEJEUNE	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
COUNCILMAN DAVIS	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
COUNCIL PRESIDENT FRY	PRESENT___	ABSENT___

MAYOR:

MAYOR HAYGOOD	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
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CITY CLERK:

REBECCA HAYES	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
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CITY ATTORNEY:

JAY ROSS	PRESENT___	ABSENT___
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**CITY OF DAPHNE RECREATION BOARD
NEW FACILITIES PROPOSAL**

Youth Softball and Baseball Fields Recommendation of ten (10) fields, two five (5) field complexes at new Park Drive location, complete with lights and concession / restroom building. Girls' softball fields are needed because Daphne does not have any fields designated solely for girls' softball, they share the Trione Sports Complex with adult softball and Dixie Boys Baseball. It is recommended that field dimensions be a minimum of 200 feet, maximum of 225 feet.

New baseball fields are needed to replace the fields at Lott Park. Lott Park is a beautiful facility, however is unsafe. Inadequate parking, lighting and field proximity are a safety concern at this thirty nine year old facility. It is recommended that field dimensions be 225 feet on three (3) fields and 300 feet on two (2) fields. Two larger fields will allow U14 baseball to be played at this location, keeping all youth baseball together.

Ten fields located at the same location would further enhance the city's ability to host more and larger tournaments and increase the economic impact to the city.

Softball and baseball at the new sports complex on Park Drive creates a stand alone facility. This will allow for future expansion of baseball and softball in the same location. It will also allow the entrance to be used for amenities that will compliment and enhance the usefulness of the facility (playground, skate park, basketball courts, beach volleyball courts, etc.). The opening of the Park Drive facility will also provide an opportunity to develop other recreational activities within the park not associated with baseball or softball, such as walking/jogging trails, biking trails, disc golf and other low impact activities.

Tennis Courts Recommendation of eight (8) lighted courts minimum at Lott Park. Eight courts are believed to be the best number to accommodate the needs of the community. This would allow courts for recreational play, league play, tournaments, high school matches and lessons/learning programs. Courts at Lott Park could be built without space limitations and allow for future expansion.

Recreation Center Recommendation for a Recreation Center at Lott Park. A facility that includes basketball court, walking track, fitness center, game room, activities rooms, swimming pool and splash pad. A facility of this type would be a tremendous asset to the city, providing a wide variety of activity and recreational opportunities for variety of ages. This facility would allow for the creation of youth and adult basketball and volleyball programs which we do not currently offer. Combined with tennis courts at this location, the down town area becomes a center for year round activity instead of seasonal.

Multi-purpose Fields at Trione with Renovations

With increased participation in soccer, lacrosse and football, additional field space will soon be needed to accommodate these activities. Four additional fields to the south at Trione are recommended. Along with these fields, a renovation to all of Trione is recommended. Landscaping to the park for a more pleasing appearance, a playground and walking / exercise trail would enhance the overall park experience at Trione. These renovations would make Trione useable to everyone, just not those using the athletic fields. Renovations to the field fencing, restrooms and concession area at softball should also be considered at this twenty year old facility.