In 2009, the City Council adopted as a target to maintain an open space level of service of 5.34 acres per 1,000 residents. Council also directed staff to prepare an amendment to Sunnyvale Municipal Code Chapter 18.10 and Chapter 19.74 relating to park dedication and in-lieu fees to change the facility standard to 3.0 acres per 1,000 population from its current standard of 1.25 acres per 1,000 population, in accordance with Fee Mitigation Act Requirements. This was completed on November 24, 2009 when Council raised the park facility standard from 1.25 acres per 1,000 residents to 3.0 acres per 1,000 residents over a three year period. In addition, the Council directed staff to further explore the feasibility of establishing expanded or modified Development Impact Fees under the Mitigation Fee Act.

Policies supporting Goal LT-8 (Adequate and Balanced Open Space)

POLICY LT-8.1 FOLLOW MANAGEMENT AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE STRATEGIES TO EXTEND THE USABLE LIFE OF OPEN SPACES AND RECREATION FACILITIES, SUCH AS PLANNING FOR AND IMPLEMENTING "NON-USE TIMES" FOR OPEN SPACE AND FACILITIES IN ORDER TO ASSURE ADEQUATE MAINTENANCE AND REGENERATION TIME. (Previously Open Space and Recreation Policy 2.2.A.1)

POLICY LT-8.2 ADOPT MANAGEMENT, MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT PRACTICES THAT MINIMIZE NEGATIVE IMPACTS TO THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, SUCH AS SUPPORTING AND ENFORCING THE INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT SYSTEM; AND LANDSCAPING IN WAYS WHICH MINIMIZE THE NEED FOR WATER. (Previously Open Space and Recreation Policy 2.2.A.2)

POLICY LT-8.3 PURSUE THE ACQUISITION OF APPROPRIATE FEDERAL LANDS CURRENTLY LOCATED AT THE FORMER MOFFETT NAVAL AIR STATION. (Previously Open Space and Recreation Policy 2.2.A. 3)