

# Plan Development Process

The Parks and Recreation Commission determined that the *Parks Master Plan* should be reviewed and revised, resulting in this updated *Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan*, to ensure that the Plan reflects the City's long-term objectives for the park system. There is little land remaining for acquisition into the parks system. There are several parks that are currently undeveloped or subject for redevelopment within the existing park system. A methodical approach has been utilized to inventory and assess the condition of the existing park system; and evaluate the recreational needs of Sachse residents.

To obtain a comprehensive and objective analysis of the community's park and recreational needs and the citizens' desires, the City utilized four different methodologies: public input, the City of Sachse 2008 Recreation Survey, demand-based analysis, and standard-based analysis.

The process used in updating and revising the Plan began in July 2008 and concluded in June 2010 updated. The City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission, City staff, and the consultant worked together to analyze existing data, make projections on the City's future parks needs, and formulate the findings of the study. Three (3) public input meetings were held, one being with Sachse senior citizens, to allow opportunities for citizens to voice their opinions regarding the needs within the park system.

Throughout the park development process, the City of Sachse continues to work closely with the Wylie Independent School District to provide indoor activities classes and to develop joint facilities and to share in capital costs associated with development of outdoor athletic facilities. A primary example of this interjurisdictional cooperation is the construction and usage of Heritage Park in conjunction with the Garland Independent School District and the shared parking. The City and the Garland and Wylie Independent School Districts will continue to work together to provide recreational opportunities that benefit citizens within the City and the school districts.

Because of its geographical size limitations and the limited ability to annex additional land, the service area for the *Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan* is divided into two major service areas, the area north of State Highway 78 and the area south of State Highway 78, as shown in the illustration to the right.

