

Key - Opportunities	Opportunity	Potential Elements	Site Selection and Distribution	Phasing Options
<b>Nature Play</b>	Provide nature play elements in parks to connect people to nature and support experiential play.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>climbable elements such as logs, stumps, boulders, mounds and trees</li> <li>water features or water play features (hand pump, e.g.)</li> <li>sand, mud, wood chips, rocks</li> <li>movable pieces, such as branches for fort-building</li> <li>other natural play elements consistent with the site character</li> <li>plants and trees</li> <li>butterfly gardens</li> </ul>	Develop 3 to 4 geographically dispersed across the city. Provide play areas in a mix of community parks, large neighborhood parks, smaller parks and trail corridors. Locate at least one in a more natural site and in a park where natural elements/native plantings exist or are being added. These may replace an existing play area at the end of its lifecycle. Create at least one destination nature play facility in a more centralized, accessible location.	<p>Short Term: Create a pilot program at one site, considering a park with good tree canopy and natural features. Evaluate and pursue opportunities for a destination nature play area that incorporates water play elements.</p> <p>Longer Term: Build a permanent nature play area. Develop 2-3 additional nature play areas at parks or along trail corridors that are geographically distributed.</p>
<b>Dog Park(s)/DOLA(s)</b>	Provide additional dog parks, smaller dog runs, and/or off-leash areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>unfenced off-leash area; may be temporary or permanent and demarcated by signage, cones or similar features</li> <li>smaller dog run, mid-size dog area, or full size dog park with different fenced areas for small and large dogs</li> <li>fence, suited to character of park</li> <li>double entry gate</li> <li>turf, decomposed granite, other suitable surfacing, or combination</li> <li>dog waste dispensers</li> <li>dog drinking stations</li> <li>water pools</li> <li>seating and picnic tables</li> <li>shade shelter</li> <li>lighting</li> <li>topography and landscaping</li> </ul>	Provide two or more additional facilities or off-leash areas to be geographically distributed (away from existing facility at Mary Avenue). Consider large and small neighborhood parks.	<p>Short Term: Identify potential sites and determine neighborhood support. Respond to residents' request for a trial off-leash dog area. If implemented and successful, pursue at additional suitable sites.</p> <p>Longer Term: Develop dog runs, off-leash areas or dog parks. Note: the timing may be considered in conjunction with park site master planning.</p>
<b>Pickleball Court</b>	Provide pickleball courts to diversify recreation and sports opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>pickleball courts (paired if possible)</li> <li>tournament-friendly pickleball venue (6+ courts)</li> </ul>	Provide 4 or more courts to be geographically distributed and a tournament venue in a convenient location. Consider joint-striping of existing tennis courts at Varian Park, Monta Vista Park and Memorial Park. (Avoid joint-striping tennis courts used for competitive play.) Consider providing courts in neighborhoods or sites in need of low-impact fitness activities for seniors and adults.	<p>Short Term: Develop 2 courts. Consider overlays or joint striping of existing tennis courts that only support recreational play. Consider pickleball striping for multi-court tournament venue in conjunction with Memorial Park Master Plan.</p> <p>Longer Term: Develop 2 or more additional courts and pickleball complex.</p>
<b>Gardens</b>	Provide more opportunities for community gardens. Pursue a healing garden. Consider opportunities for gardens of other types in parks, such as demonstration gardens, rain gardens and orchards.	<p>For community gardens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>combination of in-ground, raised beds, and accessible planting areas</li> <li>individual reservable plots and group spaces</li> <li>fencing, water, composting/green waste recycling</li> <li>native plant hedges or hedgerows</li> <li>seating, shade</li> </ul> <p>For Healing garden:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>garden showcasing healing plants</li> <li>informational/educational elements</li> </ul> <p>Other gardens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>demonstration garden showcasing methods of gardening or different plant palettes such as organic gardening techniques, xeriscaping, native species, plantings for pollinators, birds and wildlife</li> <li>bird baths and bird houses</li> <li>rain garden and stormwater garden elements</li> <li>orchards or permaculture plantings</li> <li>sister city-inspired gardens</li> </ul>	Provide 1-2 or more new community gardens at site(s) agriculturally suitable for growing, based on aspects such as soil conditions, topography and solar access. Geographically disperse from existing facility at McClellan Ranch. Consider locations suitable to support educational and social use, such as near a school or senior center. Consider areas of higher residential density with less access to gardening space. Consider smaller, neighborhood-scale gardens at more numerous locations. Identify a venue for a healing garden that is agriculturally suitable and can accommodate intended features and visitorship.	<p>Short Term: Develop a community garden implementation plan that renovates in a timely manner the existing site at McClellan Ranch and identifies suitable sites and priorities for implementation. Add at least one or more community gardens in an underutilized area or unneeded lawn area within a park, preferably in an area with higher density population.</p> <p>Longer Term: Evaluate demand and needs for additional community gardens. Implement additional community gardens accordingly. Select a location and support implementation of a healing garden. Consider development of other types of horticultural gardens.</p>
<b>Improved Comfort &amp; Amenities</b>	Provide amenities to create welcoming, inclusive, safe, and comfortable parks for people of all ages and cultural groups. Integrate amenities to reflect park character.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>seating with shade through structures or plantings</li> <li>shade shelters (with movable tables/chairs, picnic tables, or other seating)</li> <li>variety of seating options and groupings</li> <li>restrooms where appropriate</li> <li>drinking fountains/ bottle fillers/ dog drinking dishes</li> <li>lighting</li> <li>trash/recycling receptacles</li> <li>parking</li> <li>permeable paving</li> <li>bike racks, docking stations</li> <li>alternative transportation pickup/drop offs</li> <li>art (playable, integrated, stand-alone, and/or temporary displays)</li> <li>signage and wayfinding</li> <li>interpretive elements, information kiosks</li> <li>wifi</li> <li>co-working stations/outdoor work space</li> <li>multilingual or icon-based signage</li> </ul>	Consider needs at all parks. (Small neighborhood parks may not need restrooms or parking, e.g.)	<p>Short Term: Update amenities and furnishings at 1-2 sites in conjunction with other park projects. Prioritize parks with trails, with active walkers and that lack shade.</p> <p>Longer Term: Seek to provide comfort improvements at one site every year, distributed throughout the system.</p>