# Strategic Plan

MASTER PLAN PARK SITE IMPLEMENTATION

## introduction

There are a variety of opportunities for enhancing and developing parks and facilities to achieve community goals for Cupertino's park and recreation system. This document provides an overview of city park sites with a description, focus, short and longer term opportunities, and current and planned implementation efforts.

The key on the following page lists 22 types of community goals and icons which denote which goals are being addressed at each park throughout the document. A page for each park or park category provides photos as well as a brief description. The park focus identifies the park's primary function. The implementation narrative provides context for current and planned site enhancement from Fiscal Year 2019-20 through Fiscal Year 2023-24. For recently built or recently renovated parks, near-term opportunities emphasize sustaining existing uses and maintaining the facilities with some opportunities for diversifying recreation options. For older parks and facilities that have not been recently updated, potential site enhancements usually include more extensive opportunities.

## park sites

This document includes site opportunities for the parks listed below.

- Memorial Park
- Creekside Park
- Jollyman Park
- Wilson Park
- Stevens Creek Corridor Park including Blackberry Farm Golf Course, Blackberry Farm Park, and McClellan Ranch Preserve/McClellan Ranch West
- Portal Park
- Monta Vista Park & Recreation Center
- Linda Vista Park
- Hoover Park
- Varian Park
- Civic Center including Civic Center Plaza, and Library Field
- Three Oaks Park
- Somerset Park
- Small Neighborhood Parks including Canyon Oak Park, Franco Park, Little Rancho Park, Mary Ave.
   Dog Park, and Sterling Barnhart Park

## MEMORIAL PARK





## Description

Memorial Park was originally constructed in the early and mid 1970's. Additional elements have been added since, such as the Veterans Memorial in 2007. Memorial Park is the city's largest park, with 22 acres (including the Senior and Quinlan Community centers). It offers 6 lighted tennis courts, a lighted baseball field, an outdoor amphitheater and stage, walking paths, reservable group picnicking, two playgrounds, restrooms, and lawn areas. Memorial Park hosts the city's large outdoor events such as the Cherry Blossom, Kids 'N Fun, and Diwali festivals. The amphitheater is home to annual Shakespeare in the Park,

Summer Concert series, and Cinema at Sundown events.

#### **FOCUS**

Community hub and multi-use, civic-focused event space.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, shade, nature play, and inclusive elements.

#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Immediate**

- Engage the public in developing a site master plan for Memorial Park as a community hub and multi-use, civic-focused event space. Include the presence of the Quinlan Community, Senior, and Sports centers in planning Memorial Park as a community space.
- Consider repurposing the inactive pond, renovating the amphitheater, adding walking path improvements and playable water feature, enhancing the tree canopy, integrating natural features, and renovating, adding and/or expanding recreation facilities to enhance indoor and outdoor event space, community gathering space, active/healthy recreation uses and play opportunities.
- Clarify the role of memorials at this site, addressing opportunities to make a community-building statement and/or tribute to community cohesiveness.

#### **Short Term**

- Implement Phase 1 improvements in the pond/amphitheater area.
- Consider nature integration, shade, ADA accessibility, pathway and seating improvements, pond re-purposing, and other elements consistent with the site master plan process.

- Phase in additional improvements, including improvements to existing facilities, based on the site master plan, and the addition of recreation opportunities. Pending the site master plan, this may potentially include major facilities (such as an aquatic facility, gymnasium/recreation center, senior center expansion and/or a potential performing/fine arts center) at this site, or as an expansion of an adjacent recreation building that would affect this site (Sports Center, Senior Center e.g.), as well as the addition or repurposing of facilities.
- Provide connections to proposed trails, bike lanes and bike routes.



Pickleball court striping is being recommended at Memorial Park. The proposal is to stripe Court 2 or 3 for both pickleball and tennis.

Fiscal Year 2021-22:

2. Restroom facilities at Memorial Park have been rennovated.

Fiscal Year 2021-22:

#### 3. Memorial Park - Specific Plan Design

The proposed project would include the development of a conceptual design for Phase One, incorporating findings from the Master Plan process and building upon the considerable input gained from the community. Features to be considered include adding walking path improvements, playable water feature, enhancing tree canopy, integrating natural features, and enhancing indoor and outdoor event and gathering space.

4. Memorial Park - Amphitheater Repairs/Upgrades:

Design and construct Memorial Park improvements as indicated in the Parks and Recreation System Master Plan, specifically addressing the needs of the amphitheater in this scope of work.

City Work Program:

#### 5. Neighborhood Events

Neighborhood Events has featured several cultrual events in parks across Cupertino. The Parks and Recreation Department's goal moving forward is to provide a minimum of three cultural events and a series of art events as part of the summer program lineup. This works towards the Fiscal Year2019-20 City Work Program item for Arts and Cultural Festivals and Programs.

#### Operational:

6. Turf reduction is being implemented around redwoods.



## Description

This 13-acre site offers three tournament-quality sport fields, two basketball hoops, two playgrounds, family picnicking with barbeques, restrooms, and a recreation building whose community room can be rented. Creekside Park is a popular venue for youth soccer and currently hosts a weekly Farmers Market. The park can be accessed from Miller Avenue, and by pedestrians and cyclists via a bridge over Calabazas Creek. It is the site of the former Fremont Older School and was extensively improved with park amenities in 1997.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood recreation and sports hub.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, seating, and inclusive elements.

#### 2. Annual Playground Replacement

Inclusive elements will be implemented in the design of the playground to be replaced at Creekside Park in Fiscal Year 2020-21.

#### City Work Program:

#### 3. Athletic Field Use Policy

The updated Athletic Field Use Policy was reviewed and approved by City Council on May 4, 2021. This completes the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item to assess the Athletic Field Use Policy, including Sunday reservation feasibility.

#### 4. Neighborhood Events

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#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

- Consider adding nature play and/or inclusive play elements to the existing play area.
- Consider other enhancements to outdoor recreation diversity.
- Evaluate opportunities to enhance the recreation building and reactivate or repurpose the concession area.
- Sustain existing uses.

#### **Longer Term**

- Coordinate with results of Public Works'
   Facility Condition and Use Assessment to modify the recreation building as needed.
- Refresh sports fields to maintain site use as a sports hub. Consider artificial turf or other enhancements to increase the playing capacity.
- Consider adding a full basketball court, other sports courts, and diverse recreation elements to support sports and active uses.
- Provide trailhead amenities and connections to off-street trail and proposed buffered bike lane.

Department's goal moving forward is to provide a minimum of three cultural events and a series of art events as part of the summer program lineup. This works towards the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item for Arts and Cultural Festivals and Programs.

#### 5. Wi-Fi

Neighborhood Events is slated to be added to park buildings at Creekside, Portal, and Wilson Parks. This works toward the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item to upgrade wireless access in public spaces.





## JOLLYMAN PARK



## Description

Constructed in the early 1990's, this 11.2-acre park offers soccer play, a baseball field with batting cage, two playground areas, a basketball hoop, turf areas, family picnic areas with barbeques, restrooms, and a walking loop.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood and community hub for sports, recreation programs and activities.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, and outdoor table tennis. This works toward the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item to install a drinking fountain and bottle filling station at City Hall and Jollyman Park.

Fiscal Year 2019-20:

- 2. Inclusive Play Area Planning
- 3. Restroom facilities at Jollyman Park have been rennovated.

Fiscal Year 2020-21:

#### 4. All-Inclusive Playground

The City has addressed an inclusive play area through two capital improvement projects to date: Inclusive Play Area - Planning and All-Inclusive Playground. These items work towards the goals set for the All Inclusive Playground project in Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program.

City Work Program:

5. Dog Off-Leash Area (DOLA) Trial

# SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES Short Term

- Pursue adding an all-inclusive play area, grouped seating, a picnic shelter, continuous all-weather loop path (that includes the east part of the park), and neighborhoodserving event utilities and infrastructure.
- Sustain existing uses.
- Respond to community request for trial off-leash dog area.

#### **Longer Term**

- Consider additional diverse amenities, such as outdoor fitness equipment/ parcourse or a full-size basketball court.
- Provide connections to bikeway improvements on Stelling Rd.
- Consider for location of development of major new facilities.

The DOLA at the Jollyman Park ballfield is currently underway. Research for a second location has been performed and will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission for review/recommendation to City Council. This trial progresses work on the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item calling for the review of athletic fields for use as DOLAs.

#### 6. Athletic Field Use Policy

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#### 7. Neighborhood Events

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in parks across Cupertino. The Parks and Recreation Department's goal moving forward is to provide a minimum of three cultural events and a series of art events as part of the summer program lineup. This works towards the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item for Arts and Cultural Festivals and Programs.

## **WILSON PARK**





## Description

This ~10-acre park includes three baseball fields on the west side of the site and serves as the community's baseball hub. The east side of the site features two playgrounds, family picnicking, restrooms, pathways, a large turf area, and a recreation building that hosts ceramics programs. The eastern part of Wilson Park was constructed in the late 1960's. Park improvements on the western part, including the baseball fields, batting cage and concession building, were constructed in 1992. A portion of the site was renovated in 2003 (restroom building, play area).

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood and community hub for sports, recreation and activities.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

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#### City Work Program:

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#### 3. Neighborhood Events

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#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

- Consider adding neighborhood-serving event utilities and infrastructure, picnic shelter, and a large/full-size basketball court.
- Sustain existing uses.

#### **Longer Term**

- Evaluate use of and desirability of renovating/replacing the ceramics building, particularly if ceramics can be incorporated into a fine arts or recreation facility, and in coordination with Public Works'
   Facility Condition and Use Assessment.
- Consider a wider, maintenance-friendly loop path, community garden, variety of sports courts, activity hubs, and diverse recreation elements, including those that provide challenge elements.
- Consider full-size basketball court.
- Provide trailhead amenities and connections to nearby bikeways and proposed off-street trail. If desired, a sport field can fit on the east portion of the site (with relocation of the central play area and picnicking reconfiguration).

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STEVENS CREEK CORRIDOR PARK



## Description

#### BLACKBERRY FARM PARK

Blackberry Farm was acquired by the City in 1991. It has been subsequently renovated, including extensive improvements in 2009 which also included the Stevens Creek Trail and creek restoration. The trail and creek corridor parkland are open daily. The group picnic grounds and pool complex are operated seasonally, currently from May to September, within a 100-day window. Seasonal amenities include two swimming pools with pool buildings and lawn area, reservable group picnic area with barbeques and sinks, and food service concession. Additional amenities include two volleyball courts, two bocce courts, two horseshoe pits, picnic tables, playground, lawn area, trail, and restrooms. The creek corridor setting, all-weather trail, and wildlife viewing opportunities are popular year-round.

#### BLACKBERRY FARM GOLF COURSE

Blackberry Farm Golf Course is a nine-hole Par 29 golf facility acquired by the City in 1991, from private owners who had built it in 1962. The course, located along Stevens Creek, offers narrow tree-lined fairways and small greens which reward accuracy. The course includes a putting green and a range structure for drive practice. A pro shop with golf merchandise and a restaurant are on site; professional instruction is available. Footgolf is also offered.

## MCCLELLAN RANCH PRESERVE & MCCLELLAN RANCH WEST

Purchased by the City 1972, McClellan Ranch has a rich history, including uses for agriculture and as a horse ranch. The site contains various buildings relating to its past as well as the relocated Parrish tank house and Blacksmith Shop. A new Environmental Education Center was completed in 2015. The 4-H area was renovated and Stevens Creek Trail constructed in 2008-2009. McClellan

Ranch is the hub of the city's environmental education activities and hosts City Naturalist-led programs. This site offers community gardens for residents, a stretch of Stevens Creek Trail, riparian habitat areas, plus creek and wildlife views. Rolling Hills 4-H, Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society, and Friends of Stevens Creek Trail are housed at this site. McClellan Ranch was designated as the city's first and only nature and rural preserve in 1976; its name was updated to McClellan Ranch Preserve in 2012. McClellan Ranch West, a 3.1-acre parcel, was acquired in 1990.

#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Immediate**

 Complete the Stevens Creek Corridor Master Plan.

#### **Short Term**

• Phase in improvements as guided by the site master plan, enhancing natural/habitat areas and facilities supporting environmental education, gatherings and recreation uses, while retaining the natural character of the park. Provide connections to any extension of the Stevens Creek Trail and nearby bikeways. Provide trailhead amenities. Complete feasibility work & if approved, pursue implementation of improved pedestrian and bicycle access to Blackberry Farm Park via San Fernando Ave. Evaluate steps for expanded use of Blackberry Farm.

#### **Longer Term**

 Implement renovation of Stocklmeir Ranch, Blackberry Farm Golf Course, Blackberry Farm Park, and/or McClellan Ranch Preserve and West, and other corridor parcels, consistent with the recommendations of the Stevens Creek Corridor Master Plan.



#### FOCUS FOR STEVENS CREEK CORRIDOR PARK

Community-focused natural area supporting environmental education, outdoor gathering and recreation consistent with protecting wildlife and habitat value.

#### IMPLEMENTATION

Multi-Year Funding:

1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade including hydration stations, shade, and inclusive elements.

Fiscal Year 2020-21:

2. McClellan Ranch Preserve Community Garden Improvements

Reconstruct the existing community garden based on the design developed in Fiscal Year 2017-18. The project includes reconfiguration of the garden plots, improved ADA accessibility to and within the garden, installation of new perimeter fencing, irrigation distribution system and informal meeting area. This item completes the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item to build an efficiant and highly functional community garden at McClellan Ranch.

Fiscal Year 2021-22

3. Tree Inventory - Stevens Creek Corridor Inventory and map City-owned trees (above a threshold size) that are within the Stevens Creek Corridor, including the Blackberry Farm Golf Course.

City Work Program:

#### 4. Neighborhood Events

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5. Blackberry Farm Golf Course Feasibility Study

Preliminary study to consider three options for the golf course including minimal repairs, a major renovation, and a return to natural habitat. Initial research and community feedback was conducted as part of the Stevens Creek Corridor Master Plan and the Parks and Recreation System Master Plan. Council will receive an update on the three options and determine which to pursue further for feasibility. This item is part of the Fiscal Year 2020-21 City Work Program.

#### 6. Art in Unexpected Places

The Fine Arts Commission and Parks and Recreation Department are collaborating on the Art in Unexpectd Places program as part of the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program. The program will see the installation of mural wall art as a pilot.

### **PORTAL PARK**





## Description

Portal Park, designed in the late 1960's, is one of the city's oldest. Portal Park with its 3.8 acres offers a reservable group picnic area, two playgrounds, rolling turf, a recreation building and restrooms. The play areas were renovated in 2002-03. This site borders L.P. Collins Elementary School.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood park and gathering space.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

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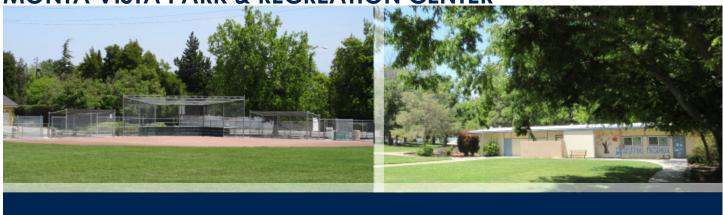
#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

- Improve walkway lighting and signage.
- Explore options to share adjacent school parking.
- Sustain existing uses.

- Consider adding shading to the picnic area, grouped seating, nature play area and/or inclusive play elements, and diverse recreation elements, such as badminton, bocce/lawn bowling, and/or games to support small group gatherings.
- Improve connections to the adjacent school.
- Re-evaluate the location and use of the recreation building, considering relocating the building or the preschool-age and child programming or adding indoor restrooms, and in coordination with Public Works' Facility Condition and Use Assessment.
- Provide connections to the proposed bike boulevard and adjacent neighborhoods.

**MONTA VISTA PARK & RECREATION CENTER** 



## Description

The site of a former elementary school, Monta Vista Park and Recreation Center was acquired by the City and renovated as a park in 1982. Additional improvements to the softball area occurred in 1993. This 6.2-acre park offers a two-building recreation center including restrooms, two tennis courts, two softball fields and a batting cage, turf areas, play equipment, and family picnicking. A preschool and gymnastics/martial arts programs are currently hosted at this site, as is girls' softball.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood recreation and sports hub.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

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#### City Work Program:

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#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

- Consider temporary options to expand play opportunities near the preschool.
- Consider restriping tennis court(s) to share for pickleball.
- In conjunction with major facility business plans, explore opportunities to relocate or expand the gymnastics/martial arts and preschool programs to other facilities.
- Sustain existing uses.

#### **Longer Term**

- Address renovation or replacement of the existing multi-use and preschool buildings based on major facility recommendations and in coordination with Public Works' Facility Condition and Use Assessment.
- Consider adding a basketball court, picnic shelter, neighborhood-serving event utilities and infrastructure, and other diverse recreation elements.
- Provide connections to proposed buffered bikeway.

minimum of three cultural events and a series of art events as part of the summer program lineup. This works towards the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item for Arts and Cultural Festivals and Programs.

#### Operational:

4. Monta Vista Park will see turf reduction and native plantings incoroporated into current landscaping.

LINDA VISTA PARK





## Description

This 11-acre park site includes a reservable large group picnic/barbecue area, two playground areas (preschool and elementary), a fitness station, restrooms, and an extensive turf area. It was acquired in 1968 and renovated to its current configuration in 1986.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood and community hub for picnicking and nature-based recreation.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, seating, shade, nature play, and inclusive elements.

Fiscal Year 2019-20:

#### 2. Linda Vista Trail

Design and construct a bicycle pedestrian trail between Linda Vista Park and McClellan Road.

City Work Program:

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#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

 Select design concept to repair or repurpose the inactive ponds. Sustain existing uses.

#### **Longer Term**

- Repair or renovate the ponds (per 2014 technical report).
- Consider adding neighborhood-serving event utilities and infrastructure, a picnic shelter or pavilion, a destination nature play and/or water play area, and diverse recreation elements, potentially including adventure and challenge elements.
- Consider a community garden or demonstration, healing, or rain garden.
- Provide trailhead amenities and connections to the proposed off-street trail. Consider installing outdoor exercise equipment in addition to, or as replacement for, existing parcourse equipment.

#### Operational:

#### 4. Sucessional Tree Plantings

58 trees donated by Stanford Sports will be planted at various park locations. Five have been planted at Linda Visa Park.

## **HOOVER PARK**





## Description

Hoover Park is a 5-acre site built in 1987 that offers two sport fields, two playgrounds for elementary and preschool-age children, basketball hoop, and family picnicking.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood park and recreation and sports space.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

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#### City Work Program:

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#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

Sustain existing uses.

- Consider adding a community garden and diverse recreation elements.
- Consider providing a larger/ full-size basketball court.
- Consider a looped walking path and restrooms.

## **VARIAN PARK**



## Description

This is a 6.3-acre site includes two tennis courts, two playgrounds, an apricot orchard, lawn areas, walkways, and family picnic areas. It is adjacent to Stevens Creek Elementary School.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood park with tennis, passive recreation, orchard and habitat focus.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, seating, nature play, and inclusive elements.

#### 2. Annual Playground Replacement

Inclusive elements will be implemented in the design of the playground to be replaced at Creekside Park in Fiscal Year 2020-21.

#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

- Consider expanding or replacing play area with nature play area and/or thematic or inclusive play elements.
- Consider restriping tennis court(s) to share for pickleball.
- Consider other enhancements for outdoor recreation diversity.
- Sustain existing uses.

- Consider diverse recreation elements focused on passive uses and nature education.
- Consider community garden, outdoor classroom, pollinator patches, and interpretive signage.
- Maintain connections to adjacent school.
- Provide trailhead amenities and connections to proposed bikeway.

## CIVIC CENTER — PLAZA & LIBRARY FIELD



## Description

The civic center plaza was renovated in 2004 as part of construction of the new Library and Community Hall. The site forms the heart of the city's civic center. The one-acre plaza hosts a popular interactive fountain. It also offers benches, landscaping, wifi availability, and hosts annual community events such as Earth & Arbor Day and the springtime Big Bunny 5K & Kids Fun Run.

The 3-acre Library Field is adjacent to the Cupertino Library and Civic Center. It is currently used by both youth cricket and youth volleyball teams for sports activities, and hosts occasional special events. Its east side is bordered by Regnart Creek.

#### **FOCUS**

Multi-use civic space for green space, recreation, gathering, and programming.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, seating, outdoor work space, shade, and water play. This works toward the Fiscal Year 2019-20 City Work Program item to install a drinking fountain and bottle filling station at City Hall and Jollyman Park.

#### City Work Program:

#### 2. Athletic Field Use Policy

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#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### Short & Longer Term - Civic Center

- Sustain existing uses in the short term.
- Evaluate Civic Center Master Plan in relation to major new facility discussions to clarify use of Civic Center, and adjacent areas.

#### Short Term - Library Field

- Sustain existing uses pending decision on implementation of Civic Center Master Plan and cricket field long-term location.
- Consider creating a separate parcel for Library Field and rezoning it as PR zoning (park and recreation).

#### Longer Term - Library Fleld

- Consider the addition of major facilities, relocation of cricket field if a better site is identified, and longterm options as civic center-related space or permanent green space.
- Consider whether adjacent parking can be put underground to expand Library Field and green space.

reservation feasibility.

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## THREE OAKS PARK





## Description

This 3.1-acre neighborhood park was constructed in 1980, with a later renovation of the play area in 1996. Three Oaks Park offers playgrounds, family picnicking, walkways and lawn space. It is also known for the distinctive large oak trees that are its namesake.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood park with nature emphasis.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

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#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

Sustain existing uses.

- Address successional tree plantings to maintain character.
- Consider adding nature play area and/ or inclusive elements and repurposing or improving the southeasterly rock play area.
- Consider adding neighborhood-serving event utilities and infrastructure, and diversifying recreation opportunities.

## **SOMERSET PARK**



## Description

Somerset Park was constructed in the early 1970's and renovated in 1996. Somerset Park's neighborhood enjoys its 1.7 acres of picnic area, playground, basketball hoop, trees, and lawn space.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood park.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Multi-Year Funding:

#### 1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, seating, outdoor exercise equipment, nature play, and inclusive elements.

#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Short Term**

• Sustain existing uses.

- Consider adding a community garden, dog area, and/or larger basketball area or other amenities.
- Provide trailhead amenities and connections to the De Anza Trail if it is implemented.

**SMALL NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS** 



# Description CANYON OAK PARK

Constructed in the early 2000's, this 0.6-acre park provides play equipment, seating, and a small lawn area. It enjoys a view to extensive open space.

#### FRANCO PARK

Cupertino's Franco Park opened in January 2011. This 0.6-acre neighborhood park includes picnic tables and seating, as well as playground equipment with safety surfacing and a perimeter fence to separate the park from adjacent streets.

#### LITTLE RANCHO PARK

Constructed in the early 2000's, this 0.3-acre park serves its neighbors with play equipment, benches, and landscaping.

#### MARY AVE DOG PARK

Opened in early 2014, Mary Avenue Dog Park is Cupertino's first park designed for off-leash dogs. This 0.5-acre site provides a fenced areas for large and small dogs, benches, and a dog drinking fountain.

#### STERLING BARNHART PARK

Sterling Barnhart Park is one of the city's newer parks and was dedicated in August 2010. This 0.5 acre site provides playground equipment, picnicking, game table, benches, and plantings which include California native species. This site is bordered by Saratoga Creek and offers pedestrian-bicycle access to Saratoga Creek Trail on the opposite creek bank.

#### **FOCUS**

Neighborhood parks and play nodes for local use and trail connection.

Mary Ave Dog Park serves as a gathering site for dog

#### SITE ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **CANYON OAK PARK**

#### **Short & Longer Term**

 Maintain orientation to the view of open space. Sustain existing uses.

#### **FRANCO PARK**

#### **Short & Longer Term**

- Sustain existing uses.
- Consider adding shade and small group seating area.
- Improve pedestrian and bicycle access from Franco Court.
- Evaluate possible on-street parking and crosswalk to Franco Court access point.

#### LITTLE RANCHO PARK

#### Short & Longer Term

• Sustain existing uses.

#### **MARY AVE DOG PARK**

#### **Short & Longer Term**

- Enhance existing use.
- Consider adding shade, varied terrain, small group seating areas, dog amenities (such as dog agility features).

#### STERLING BARNHART PARK

#### **Short & Longer Term**

- Sustain existing uses.
- Consider effects of an extension of Saratoga Creek Trail or the acquisition of Lawrence-Mitty property, if pursued.



owners/friends.

## IMPLEMENTATION

Multi-Year Funding:

## 1. Park Amenity Improvements

A variety of amenities are being considered for implementation or upgrade, including hydration stations, improved waste disposal, and outdoor table tennis.