

City of Sacramento

Legislation Text

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Title:

Mirasol Village Park and Garden Master Plans, Construction Agreement, Maintenance Agreement, and Naming

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Location: District 3

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution approving: 1) the Master Plans for a neighborhood park and garden located in the Mirasol Village development; 2) the park and garden construction agreement with the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency; 3) the Maintenance Agreement for the park and garden with the Housing Authority of the County of Sacramento; and 4) approving the naming of the park as Mirasol Village Park and the garden as Mirasol Village Garden.

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Presenter: None

Attachments:

- 1-Description/Analysis
- 2-Location Map
- 3-Park and Garden Master Plans
- 4-Construction Agreement
- 5-Maintenance Agreement
- 6-Resolution

Description/Analysis

Issue Detail: The Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment (YPCE) recommends approving the Master Plans for the proposed 1.15-acre neighborhood park and the community garden located in the Mirasol Village development. The Mirasol Village development is the

redevelopment of the existing Twin Rivers public housing project managed by the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA). The project is located within the River District; south of Richards Boulevard, east of Dos Rios Street, and northwest of North 12th Street. The project will include the realignment of Richards Blvd. and the development of two new streets from east to west (Swallowtail Avenue) and from north to south (Pipevine Street). The realignment of Richards Blvd allows for space to build the community garden. The neighborhood park will also serve as a drainage retention basin.

The park and garden are to be constructed by SHRA as part of the infrastructure for the development project funded under a federal grant. The property is owned by the Housing Authority of the County of Sacramento (HACOS), which will issue ground leases to the developer of the five housing blocks. HACOS has agreed to fund the City's costs for maintenance of the park and community garden in lieu of forming or annexing into a park maintenance district. HACOS may assign this on-going payment obligation to the housing developer.

YPCE recommends approving the naming of the neighborhood park as Mirasol Village Park and community garden as Mirasol Village Garden consistent with the name of the new development project. Both the park and garden are butterfly themed. The word "Mirasol" means sunflower and butterflies are known to flock to sunflowers.

The proposed Park Master Plan includes the following amenities: an adventure play area, a tot lot play area, detention basin/soccer field, fitness stations, shade canopies, a butterfly garden, and a picnic structure. The proposed Garden Master Plan includes garden plots, a fruit tree orchard, and a common area.

Policy Considerations: Providing parks and recreation facilities is consistent with the City's strategic plan to achieve sustainability and livability and to expand economic development throughout the City. Park naming is part of the Park Development Process as outlined in the City of Sacramento's 2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The naming is consistent with the City's Facility Naming Policy (Resolution 2008-112) that allows for naming the park and garden consistent with the name of the neighborhood.

Economic Impacts: Not Applicable

Environmental Considerations: A combined Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA) was prepared for the Twin Rivers Transit-Oriented Development and Light Rail Station Project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements under 14 California Code of Regulations (CCR) §15070, and NEPA requirements under 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §58.36. Along with site entitlements, the Planning and Design Commission for the City of Sacramento made findings pursuant to CEQA and adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and associated Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) on July 27, 2017, and subsequently issued a

Notice of Determination (NOD) pursuant to CEQA and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) pursuant to NEPA. On August 22, 2017, the County Board of Supervisors adopted the MND and associated MMRP and approved the Project. On August 24, 2017, SHRA issued the NOD for the Project pursuant to CEQA. All activities for the Twin Rivers Transit-Oriented Development and Light Rail Station Project are covered by this environmental review. The master plan for the park and community garden is consistent with this environmental analysis and no further environmental review is required for the proposed actions.

Sustainability: The proposed Park and Garden Master Plans have been reviewed for consistency with the goals, policies, and targets of the City's Sustainability Master Plan and the Parks and Recreation Sustainability Plan. The park and garden will advance the goals, policies, and targets of these plans by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution through the addition of trees and other plantings and improving health of residents through access to a diverse mix of wellness activities. Individual products have not been chosen at this level of development, but the design will include products from recycled materials, if available, and shade covering for less heat gain. The park and garden development will include sustainable design using water efficient irrigation design controlled by the centralized irrigation system, low water-use shrubs and groundcover, and use of native tree plantings.

Commission/Committee Action: At its November 7, 2019 meeting, the Parks and Community Enrichment Commission considered and recommended approval of the Park and Garden Master Plans and the naming the park as Mirasol Village Park and the garden as Mirasol Village Garden.

Rationale for Recommendation: The Park and Garden Master Plans have been prepared by the developer with input by YPCE and SHRA staff.

Financial Considerations: There are no financial considerations associated with this report as this park and garden will be constructed by SHRA with federal grant funds and the maintenance will be funded by HACOS.

Local Business Enterprise (LBE): Not Applicable