

# Kelley Park Master Plan Update

Community Meeting #2: February 25, 2016

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### Key Constituents

- City of San José Departments of Parks,
   Recreation & Neighborhood Services
   and Public Works with PlaceWorks
- Neighboring Residents
- Regional Park Users
  - Stakeholders –
    Neighborhood Associations, HOAs, Happy Hollow Park & Zoo,
    Happy Hollow Foundation, History San José, San José Okayama
    Sister City Organization, Japantown Business Association,
    Vietnamese Heritage Society, Silicon Valley Disc Golf Club, San
    José State University Athletics, Sharks Ice at San José, San José
    Giants, Yerba Buena High School, Council District 7, Parks &
    Recreation Commission, Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful, Santa
    Clara Valley Audubon Society, Preservation Action Council, San
    José Park Foundation, Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

### **Tonight's Agenda**

- Project Goals
- History and Site Analysis Overview
- Online Survey
- Draft Approaches
- Small Group Discussion
- Summary of Responses
- Next Steps







#### **Project Goals**

Provide a refined vision for Kelley Park, updating and building on the existing Master Plan, and focusing on creating:

- Unified wayfinding and circulation (signage)
- Enhanced entry experiences
- Recommendations for improvements including removal, additions, or relocation
- Enhancement to undeveloped and under-used areas







#### **Park Lands**



**PLACEWORKS** 

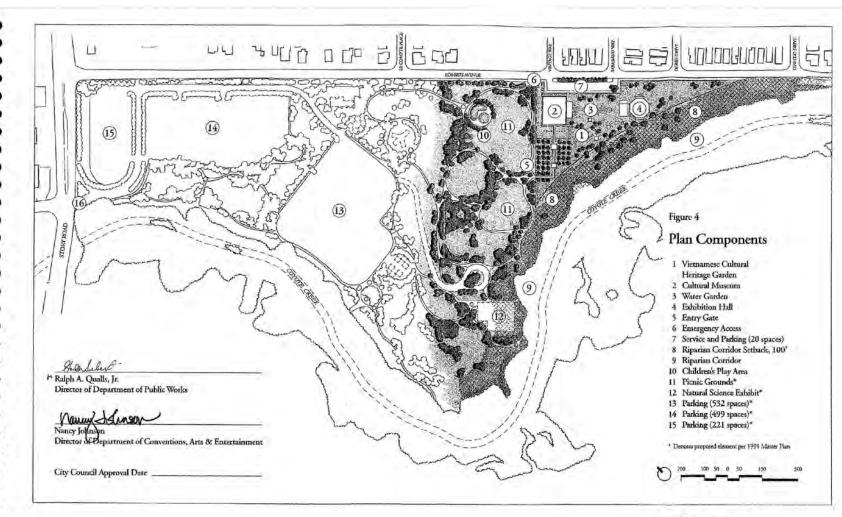
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### Master Plan (1991)

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6 Kelley Park Express Train
7 Train Stop
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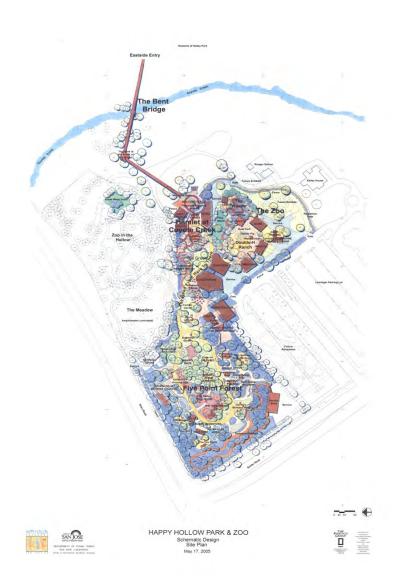
#### Master Plan Amendment (2000)



Kelley Park

MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT & VIETNAMESE CULTURAL HERITAGE GARDEN MASTER PLAN

# Happy Hollow (2000)



## Happy Hollow (2002)



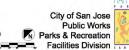


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#### **Bond Funded Plan**

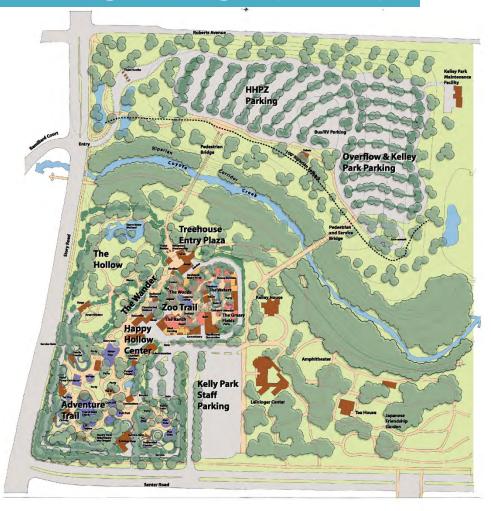
Happy Hollow Park and Zoo Parks Bond Project Program Refinement and Phase Strategy Plan

Program Refinement and Phase Strategy Plan San Jose, California June 2002



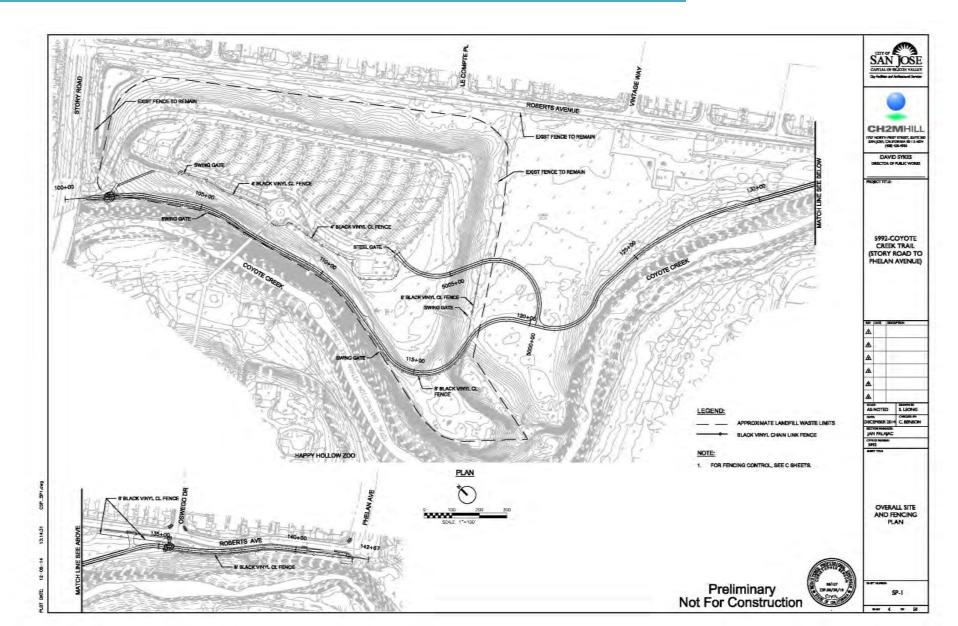


## Happy Hollow Long-Range (2002)





## Coyote Creek Trail (90% CDs 2015)





Coyote Creek



Group Picnic and Back Entry to Zoo



Group Picnic Area



Lawn Area



**Group Picnic** 



Bike Parking by Zoo



**Group Picnic** 



**K1** Parking Entry



Amphitheater



Zoo Entry Plaza



Japanese Fountain



Leininger Center



Zoo Entry Plaza



Bent Bridge



View of Open Field from East Park Lot to Vietnamese Cultural Heritage Garden



Path by Leininger Center



Back Entry Path to Zoo

### **Constraints and Opportunities**

- Clarify and Improve Internal Circulation
- Unify Signage, Wayfinding and Branding
- Activate Edges
- Repurpose Underused Areas
- Reach Out to the Community
- Respect Resources
- Prioritize Efforts



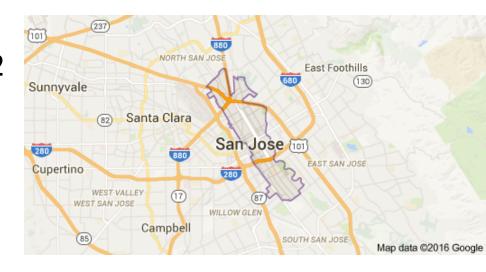
Map of underutilized space

http://www.sanjoseca.gov/facilities/Facility/Details/175

- Online survey Fall 2015 (English only 349 responses)
- Follow up to community workshop in online survey Fall 2015 (English only)
- Current online survey as of January 29, 2016
  - 188 responses and growing
  - Combines questions from first two surveys
  - English, Vietnamese, and Spanish
  - Responses to be combined with initial results
  - Survey will be open for responses through March 31, 2016
  - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XR2BDRP

#### Online Survey (as of Feb. 17, 2016)

- Q1 What is your zip code?
- 65+ different zip codes
- Largest response from 95112
- Three zip codes tied for second largest response: 95111, 95121, and 95125
- Regional versus neighborhood park needs



- Over 90% arrive by car
- Most use the park monthly not daily
- Most use the park for 2 to 3 hours when they come

- Q4 What do you like most about Kelley Park?
  - The respondents listed many different themes.
  - The largest response mentioned Happy Hollow.
  - Other frequent responses included:

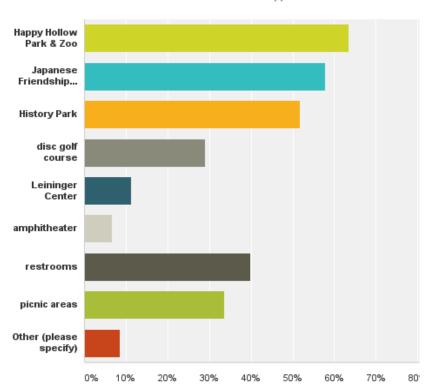
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disc golf
cultural gardens
History Park
open space/natural areas
variety of activities
trolleys
location
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- Q5 What do you like least about Kelley Park?
  - Respondents listed many different themes
  - Most common negative responses:
    - homeless encampments
    - cost of parking
  - Other responses included:
    - poor path connections
    - nothing
    - lack of facilities/restrooms
    - poor security
    - lack of programming
    - maintenance/trash
    - burned building

- drinking/crime
- poor signage
- park hours
- disc golf
- lack of playgrounds
- park hours

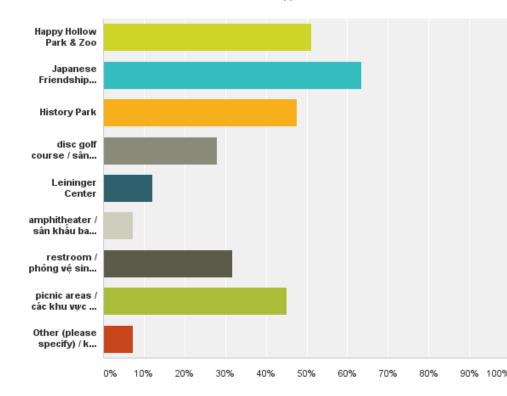
Q6 What amenities at Kelley Park do you use when you visit? Select as many as apply.

Answered: 373 Skipped: 3



Q6 What amenities at Kelley Park do you use when you visit? Select as many as apply. / Quý vị dùng các tiện nghi nào tại Kelley Park khi đến đây? Chọn bao nhiêu cũng được nếu áp dụng. /¿Qué amenidades de Kelley Park utiliza cuando lo visita? Seleccione tantos como sean aplicables.

Answered: 82 Skipped: 51



- Q11 What changes would most improve your experience and use of Kelley Park?
- Respondents listed many different themes, including:
  - cost of parking
  - facilities/restrooms
  - expand park connections
  - programming
  - maintenance/infrastructure
  - Vietnamese Cultural Heritage
     Garden/Community Center
  - security
  - disc golf
  - remove homeless

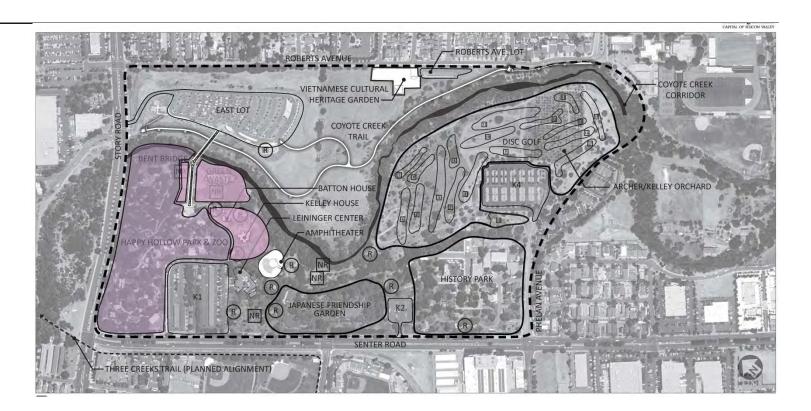
- expand Happy Hollow uses/hours
- nothing
- signage
- trolley
- bike paths and racks
- playgrounds
- food service
- gardens
- signage
- shuttle

#### **Major Park Facilities**

Suggested Change

Happy Hollow Park and Zoo

Expand to include Ranger (Batton) and Kelley Houses plus the area under the Bent Bridge and lower area behind Kelley House

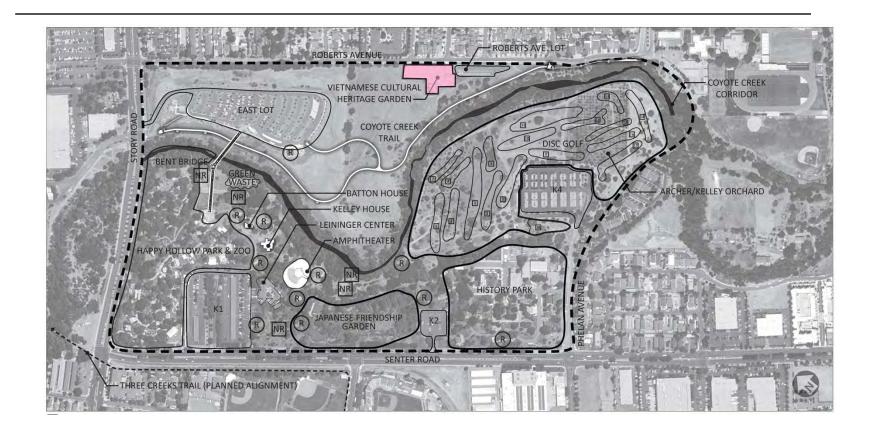


**Major Park Facilities** 

Suggested Change

Vietnamese Cultural Heritage Garden

Support planned Vietnamese Cultural Heritage Garden.



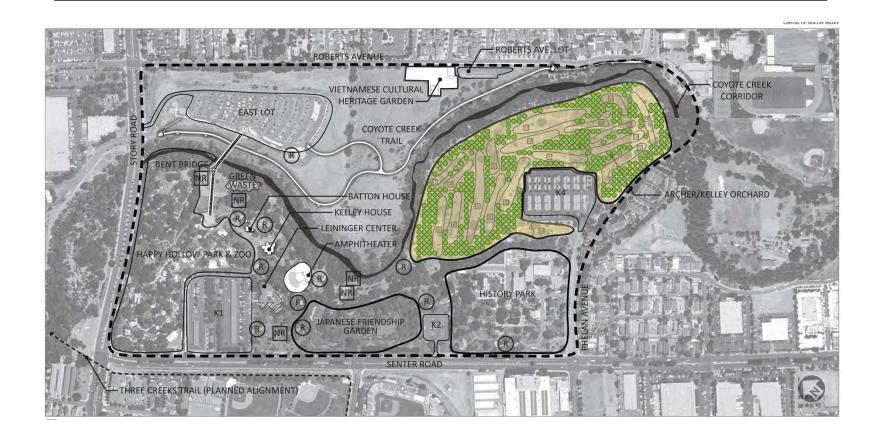
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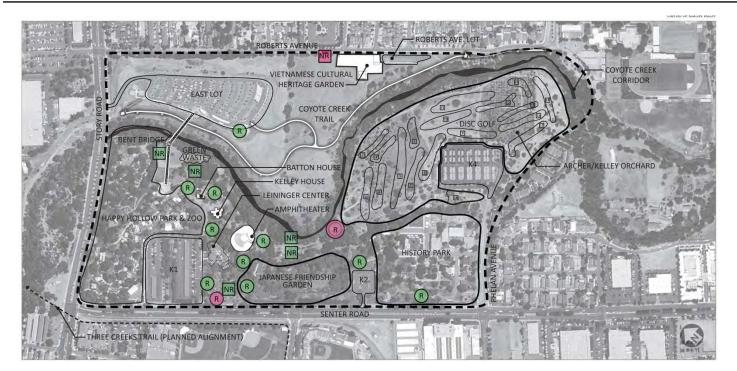
Agricultural District and Disc Golf Course

Expand orchard planting.

Disc golf course retained intact.

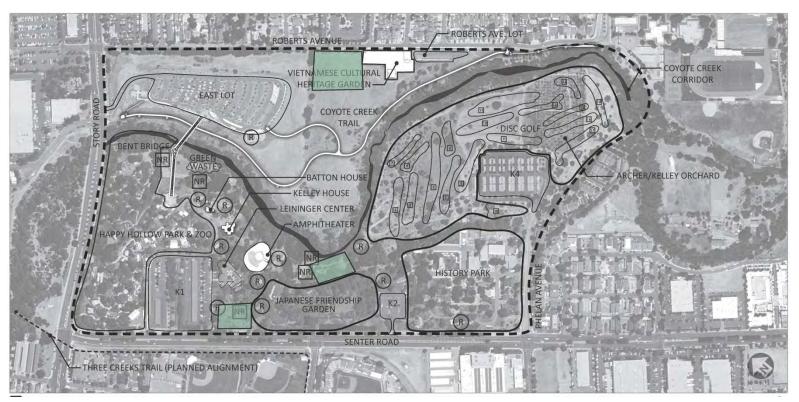


Major Park Facilities	Suggested Change
	New picnic area along Roberts Avenue.
	More picnic along Senter Street.
Picnic Areas	Expanded Family Circle group picnic areas near K2 parking lot.
	Look into making wifi available.
	Add water fountains.



Major Park Facilities	Suggested Change
History Park	Retained in current position.
Amphitheater	Retained in current position with additional programming including fee and non-fee required programming.
Japanese Friendship Garden	Retained in current position.

Major Park Facilities	Suggested Change
	One small natural play area between Coyote Creek and Japanese Friendship Garden.
Play Areas	New play area along Senter Road – think about need for fencing with speed on Senter.
	New play area along Roberts Avenue.



**Major Park Facilities** 

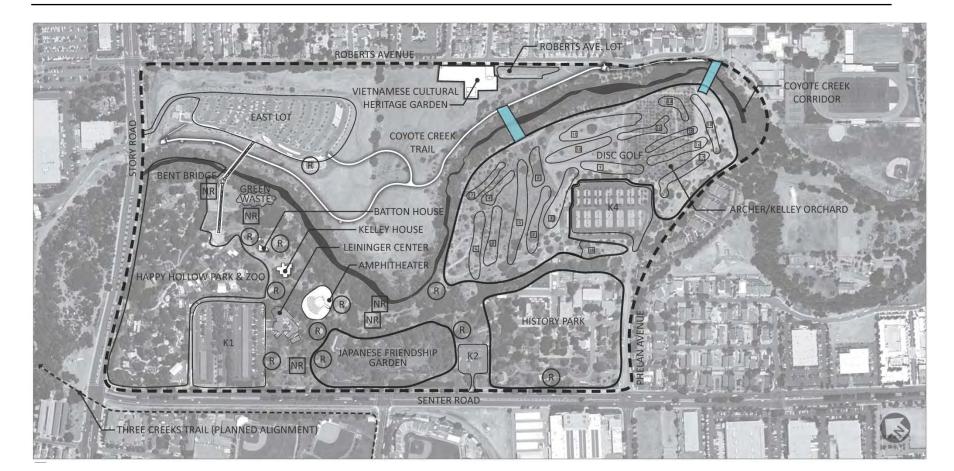
Suggested Change

Coyote Creek and Trail

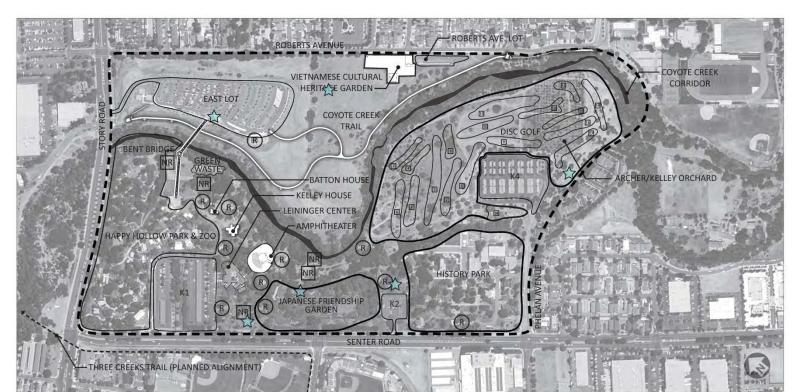
New crossing at Phelan Avenue

Second crossing closer to Vietnamese Cultural

Heritage Garden



Major Park Facilities	Suggested Change
	Improve/expand Japanese Friendship Garden restroom, East parking lot.
Restrooms	Add restrooms at any new cultural/community center, play areas especially by Leininger Center, at all parking lots, amphitheater (might be accommodated with expanded restroom facility by Japanese Friendship Garden).

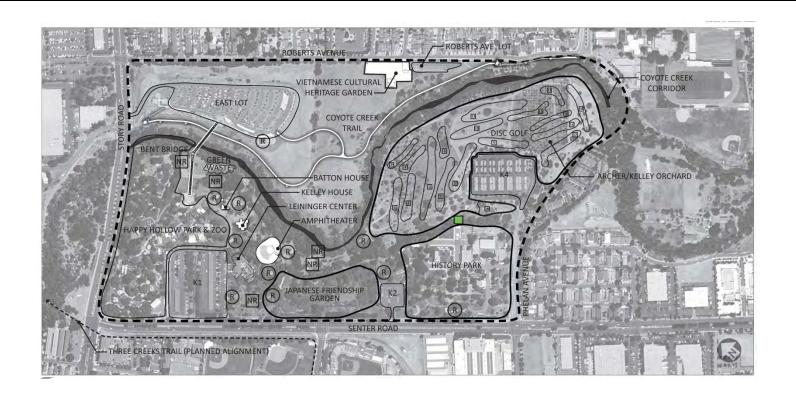


#### **Park Beautification**

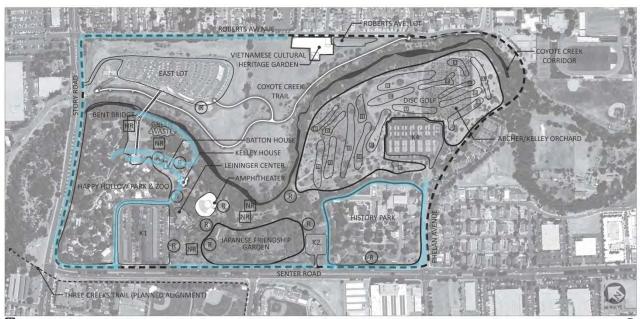
Suggested Change

Green Debris Center

Relocated to storage building by Orchard parking lot – need to find new place for train that is stored there



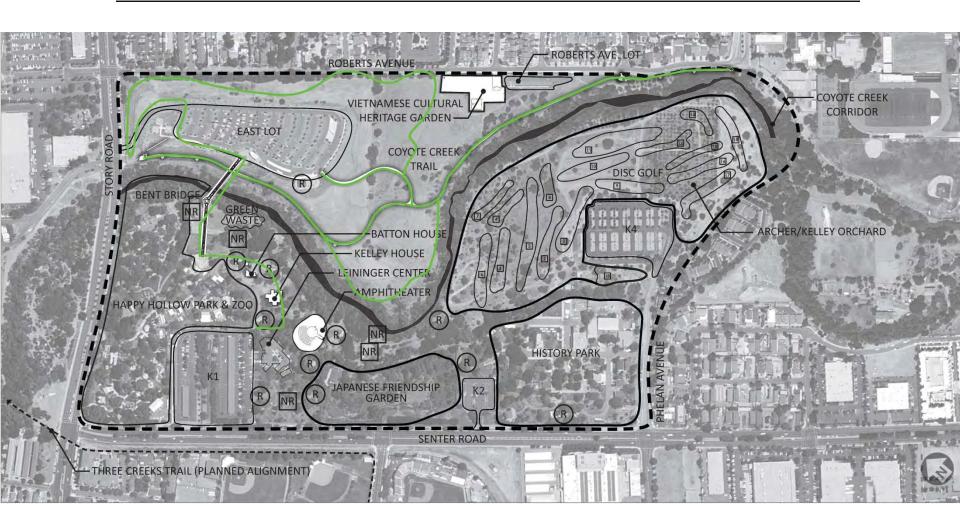
Park Beautification	Suggested Change
	Colorful planting and identity along Senter Road.
Improved Edge Condition	Fence improvements along Roberts, Story, Senter, and Phelan and within park where separating uses — whether through replacement of chain link with wrought iron or steel fencing, artistic embellishments, or other improvements.



Access and Circulation	Suggested Change
Multi-modal Trails	Coyote Creek pedestrian and bicycle trail.
	Connector Trail to East Lot.
	Walking path with fitness nodes along Roberts Avenue.
	Trail between East Lot and Vietnamese Cultural Heritage Garden.
	Meandering trail network between Roberts Avenue and Coyote Creek Trail.
	Interim Three Creeks Trail to Coyote Creek Trail connection to be discussed.
	Provide 24/7 pedestrian and bike through park access using Bent Bridge

**Access and Circulation** 

Suggested Change



Access and Circulation	Suggested Change
	Trolley with 4 stops:
	<ul> <li>main entry to History Park off Phelan Avenue.</li> </ul>
Non-vehicular Park Transit	<ul> <li>near the K2 parking lots.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>near the K1 parking lot.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>intersection of Senter Road and Alma Avenue.</li> </ul>
Internal Train/Trolley	Reintroduce a train for internal park circulation
Parking Lot Entrances	Gateway entry markers or trellises.

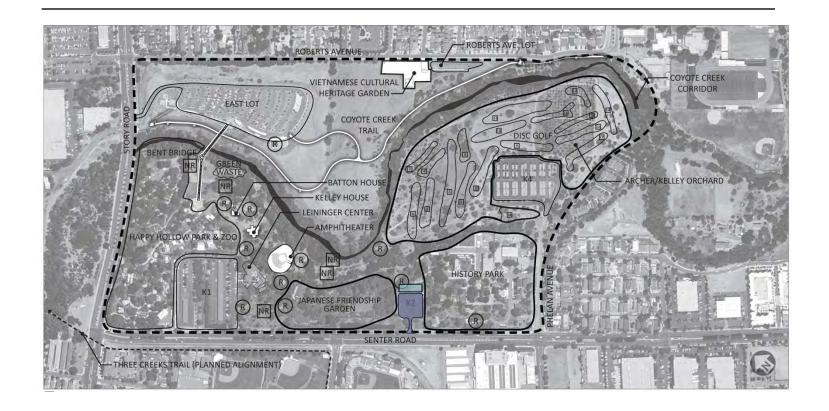


#### **Access and Circulation**

Suggested Change

K2 Parking Lot

Look at removing train track and relocating picnic area to expand parking.



Other Ideas? Suggested Change

#### **Small Group Discussions**

- Refer to map of Kelley Park
- Select facilitator, timekeeper, and note-taker
- Discuss new ideas for improvements/uses in underutilized areas
- Discuss top (most desired/highest priority)
  improvements and why they are high or low
  priorities
- Rank top 4 improvements
- Turn in group notes

## Discussion Summary

Group summaries



#### Schedule & Next Steps

- City engaging architects to identify program needs for a Vietnamese Community Center (initial planning began 10 years ago)
- Locations to be considered based on programming needs
- Approaches to be refined based on community feedback and outcome of programming needs

