

#### Congratulations!!

Peter Ortiz
Elected Councilmember
Council District 5



#### **Grand Opening Delano Manongs Park with a POPS!**



Located on southside of Gimelli Way, 250 west of North Capitol Avenue

.5 acres of public park

Maintained by the Developer for one year

.45 acres of POPS

(and a dog park for residents)



#### **Agenda**



Review of policy issues that are not part of the Fee Study.



#### **Draft Fee Study**

#### Not a Public Document(yet)

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- Document will be released to the public in 2023

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## DRAFT PARK DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE JUSTIFICATION STUDY

CITY OF SAN JOSÉ

Report Date: November 14, 2022

Public Finance Public-Private Partnerships Development Economics Clean Energy Bonds



# Next Steps and Future Public Meetings

#### **February**

Public Community Meeting - February 9th

#### **March**

- Parks and Recreation Commission March 1st
- Last Public Community Meeting March 9th

#### **April**

- Parks and Recreation Commission April 5th
- Community and Economic Development
   Committee April 24th

#### May

City Council Presentation



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## Are additional Task Force meetings desired? Should we host one more Task Force meeting in March 2023?



- Study and support changing existing General Plan Policies to allow park fees to be spent equitably in the City (anywhere in the City)
  - Change the nexus relationship so that fees can be spent in areas not receiving new development to create a more balanced system
- Establish project prioritization policies that outline how park fees could be spent anywhere based on providing an equitable park system
- Keep acreage as a priority in areas that do not have parkland
- Access, safety, and quality are key considerations in an equitable park system
- A lot of the issues, such as equity, are beyond the scope of the task force and may be explored after the task force

#### **EQUITY**



- Well maintained park
- Accessible to all
- Flexible seating options
- Shade
- People watching opportunities
- Variety of activities (passive and active)
- Activated space
- Quality Materials
- Connected to trail system

#### Quality

- No new land acquisition until we can fund maintaining what we have
- Continue to focus on getting land, because once it's gone, it's gone.
- If areas have three acres/1,000 people, we should seek 3.5 acres/1000 people
- A ballot measure is the only way to get stable funding for land acquisition and maintenance.
- Create a project-based budget that identifies the total number of parks needed and the amount of maintenance required, then structure the whole program around that.
- Everything can be done within a 1-acre park budget and build to that
- Achieve a 1-acre park within a 10-minute walk of everyone's home, that would be a success.
- Account for the regional-serving needs such as ballfields.
- It's theoretical to argue that we need "X amount" of acres per person?
- The problem is we're basing our numbers on an old state law based on building suburban developments. That doesn't make sense for a City that is urbanizing

## Land Acquisition

- Find a way to include maintenance in the park fees, including paying for staff
- Introduce more sustainable landscaping in parks that doesn't need as much maintenance i.e., drought tolerant plants, etc.
- How do we maintain and improve our existing parks if new development doesn't support improvements?
- Look at placing lower-maintenance amenities and less lawn space. If the park fees were more equitable, we would be able to better maintain the parks.
- 22 years without any budget for parks, so we're seeing deferred maintenance.
- Well-maintained parks probably have an active volunteer organization.
- We need a new tool to put into place to help with the maintenance issues.
- Also, are the parks over utilized or is it a maintenance issue?
- Are folks flocking to some parks because they are better maintained or have better amenities? Are all parks being utilized the same? Are some parks over utilized?

#### Maintenance



- Ballot measure that doesn't further tax housing projects. It shouldn't load the cost of parks onto one development type
- Maintain the clear nexus between new development and parks in terms of the demand on parks that residential development creates
- Don't remove the development fees, at the same time do not increase it to a point that it over burdens developers
- We need affordable housing so that people are living in a home and not in the park
- We don't want to pit housing against space. Reiterated the point that if we don't secure the land for a park, it is gone.

## How to have parks AND housing

Thank you for being here and participating.

See you December 15<sup>th</sup>!

### Happy Thanksgiving!

