



REPORT TO COUNCIL City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
June 17, 2008

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Valley Hi Park Master Plan Update

Location/Council District: 8185 Center Parkway, Council District 7

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) approving the Valley Hi Park Master Plan Update project exemption as stated under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, 15303, and 15304(b) and 2) approving the Valley Hi Park Master Plan Update.

Contact: J.P. Tindell, Park Planning and Development Manager, 808-1955

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Parks and Recreation

Division: Park Planning & Development Services

Organization No: 4727

Description/Analysis

Issue: Valley Hi Park is an existing 19.8-acre community park located in South Sacramento. Long-term designs of public facilities are to be reviewed and approved by the Mayor and City Council. A summary of the Valley Hi Park Master Plan Update project history is included as Attachment 1 (page 4) and a location map is included as Attachment 2 (page 5).

Policy Considerations: Providing parks and recreation facilities is consistent with the City's strategic plan to enhance livability in Sacramento's neighborhoods by expanding park, recreation, and trail facilities throughout the City.

Sufficient opportunities to provide input to the Valley Hi Master Plan Update were provided to the community (Policy 2.0 and 13.37 of the *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan*). This is part of the Park Development Process for park planning as stated in the *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan*.

Committee/Commission Action: On April 7, 2008, the Park Planning, Design and Development Committee of the Park and Recreation Commission (PRC) requested that soccer goals be provided for the bantam soccer fields and included in Phase I development. The request was added to the project. The Valley Hi Park Master Plan update was then supported by the PRC on May 1, 2008.

Environmental Considerations: The Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed this project and determined that it is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Sections 15301, 15303, and 15304(b) of the CEQA Guidelines. Projects exempted Section 15301 consist of the operation, repair, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities. Projects exempted under Section 15303 consist of new construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. Project exempted under Section 15304(b) include new gardening or landscaping.

Rationale for Recommendation: The design of master plans is part of the Park Planning process as referenced in the approved *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan*.

Financial Considerations: There are no financial considerations for approval of a park master plan. Funding for Phase I improvements includes the following: \$350,000 in Proposition 40 Per Capita Grant, \$150,000 in Park Development Impact Fees, and \$50,000 in a First 5 Grant. Staff will return to Council at a later date to approve a construction contract.

Development of parks creates an ongoing cost for park maintenance and utilities based on the size of the park. Since this park is developed, the \$7,390/acre per year of maintenance and utility costs, totaling approximately \$130,000/year, are already included in the Department's budget.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): No goods or services are being purchased as a result of this report.

Respectfully Submitted by: _____


JAMES L. COMBS
Director, Parks and Recreation

Recommendation Approved:


RAY KERRIDGE
City Manager

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Attachment 1

Background Information

Staff conducted a community meeting on October 8, 2007, to obtain input for desired amenities in the park. Staff then met with the Sacramento Youth Commission on October 25, 2007, for input into the master plan update process. The proposed master plan update was presented to the community on January 14, 2008. On April 7, 2008, the Park Planning, Design and Development Committee of the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed the master plan update and requested that two soccer fields identified on the update as bantam soccer fields, also be designated as an optional full-size field. On May 1, 2008, the Park and Recreation Commission supported the master plan update.

Funding for this project has been designated from three sources. On April 17, 2007, the City Council approved the reprogramming of \$350,000 in Proposition 40 Per Capita Block Grant funding for Valley Hi Park. On March 3, 2008, the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved a First 5 Grant in the amount of \$50,000 for the construction of a playground. In addition, \$150,000 in Park Development Impact Fees were designated.

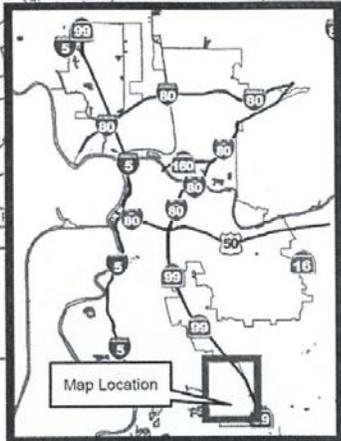
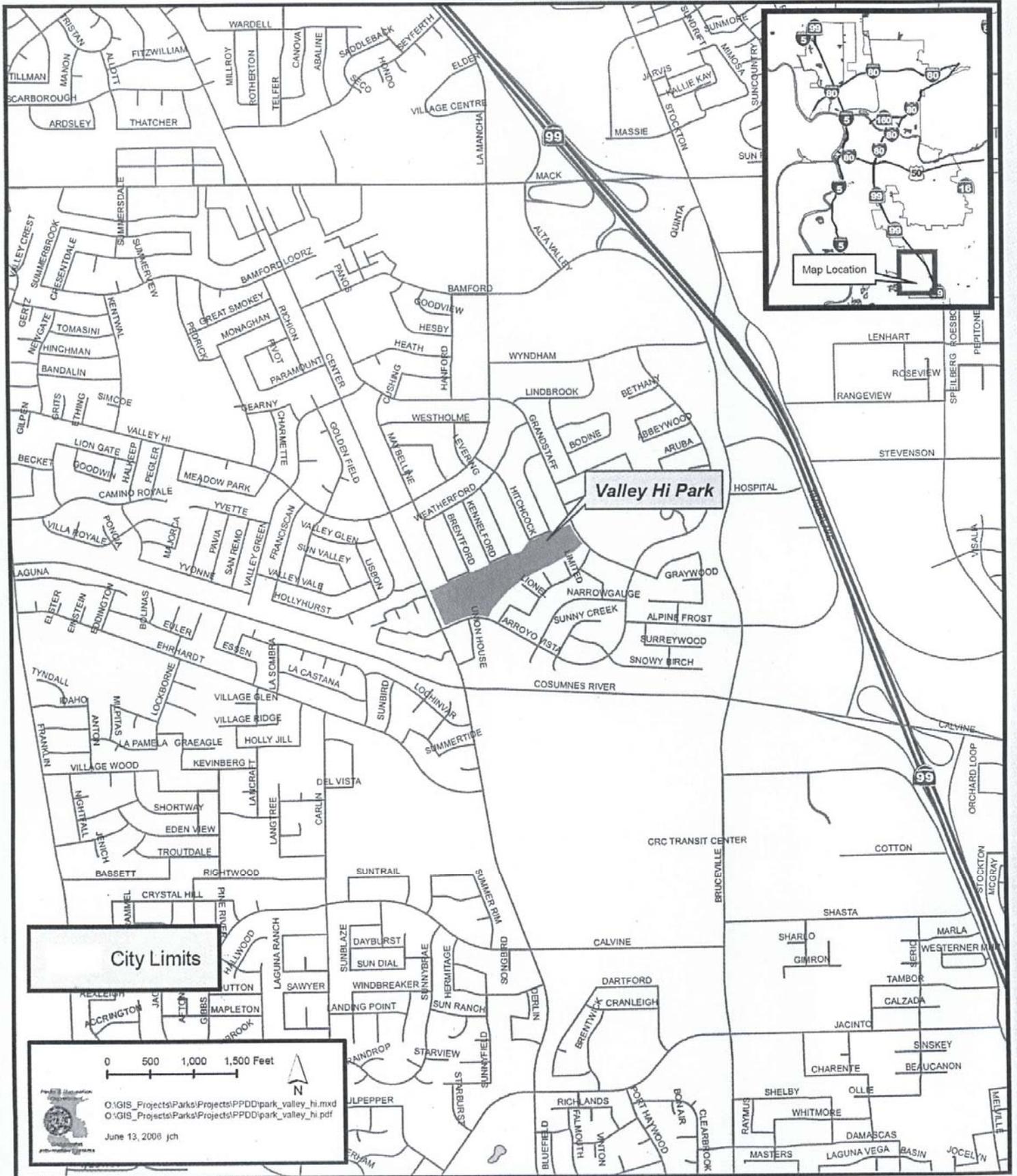
The Valley Hi Master Plan Update includes the following: a restroom building with storage; two parking lots, 28 vehicles each; a youth center; two covered basketball courts; a skateable plaza and performance area; two forested playgrounds; a group picnic area with shade structure, 8 tables, and group barbeque; a fitness trail; two community garden areas; a water play feature; and enhanced lighting, grading and landscaping. Phase I improvements include the restroom, one play area, one community garden area, grading, lighting, and landscaping enhancements.



City of Sacramento

Department of Parks and Recreation

Valley Hi Park



City Limits

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RESOLUTION NO. 2008-

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

June 17, 2008

APPROVING THE VALLEY HI PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

BACKGROUND:

- A. Valley Hi Park is an existing 19.8-acre community park located in south Sacramento. The Valley Hi Park master plan update was reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) on May 1, 2008. The PRC requested that soccer goals be provided with the development of Phase I Improvements, which will be done
- B. The Environmental Services Manager has reviewed the project for compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and determined the project is categorically exempt under sections 15301, 15303 and 15304(b) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- C. Long-term designs of public facilities are reviewed and approved by City Council.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Valley Hi Park Master Plan Update project is exempt under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, 15303, and 15304(b).

Section 2. The Valley Hi Park Master Plan Update is approved.

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Exhibit A – Valley Hi Park Notice of Exemption

Exhibit B – Valley Hi Park Master Plan Update



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: X County Clerk
County of Sacramento

FROM: City of Sacramento
Environmental Planning Services
2101 Arena Blvd., Ste. 200
Sacramento, CA 95834

Office of Planning and Research
1400 10th Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

ACTIVITY/PROJECT TITLE: Valley Hi Park Master Plan & Phase I Improvements (LY74)

ACTIVITY/PROJECT LOCATION: 8185 Center Parkway, Sacramento CA 95823

CITY: Sacramento

COUNTY: Sacramento

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY/PROJECT: This project consists of the installation of a new restroom, a new tot lot, community gardens, grading, landscaping and repair of existing lighting.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING ACTIVITY/PROJECT: City of Sacramento

NAME OF PERSON/AGENCY CARRYING OUT ACTIVITY/PROJECT: City of Sacramento Department of Parks & Recreation 915 I Street, 5th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814; Contact: Sue Ann Akivama (916) 944-8100.

THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO FINDS THAT THE ACTIVITY/PROJECT IS EXEMPT.

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- Activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378 [Section 15061(b)(1)]
- Activity has no potential for causing a significant effect on the environment [Section 15061(b)(3)]
- Statutorial Exemption [Section 21030(b)(8)]
- Ministerial Exemption [Section 15268]
- Declared Emergency Exemption [Section 15269(a)]
- Emergency Project [Section 15269(b) and (c)]
- Categorical Exemption-State Class 1, 3 & 4 and Section Number(s) 15301, 15303 & 15304(b)

REASONS WHY ACTIVITY/PROJECT IS EXEMPT: 15301 consists of operation, repair or minor alteration to existing structures or facilities; 15303 consists of new construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures or facilities and 15304(b) consists of new gardening or landscaping.

CONTACT PERSON: Ronnie Bess, DSD Technician

TELEPHONE: (916) 808-1909

SIGNED: _____

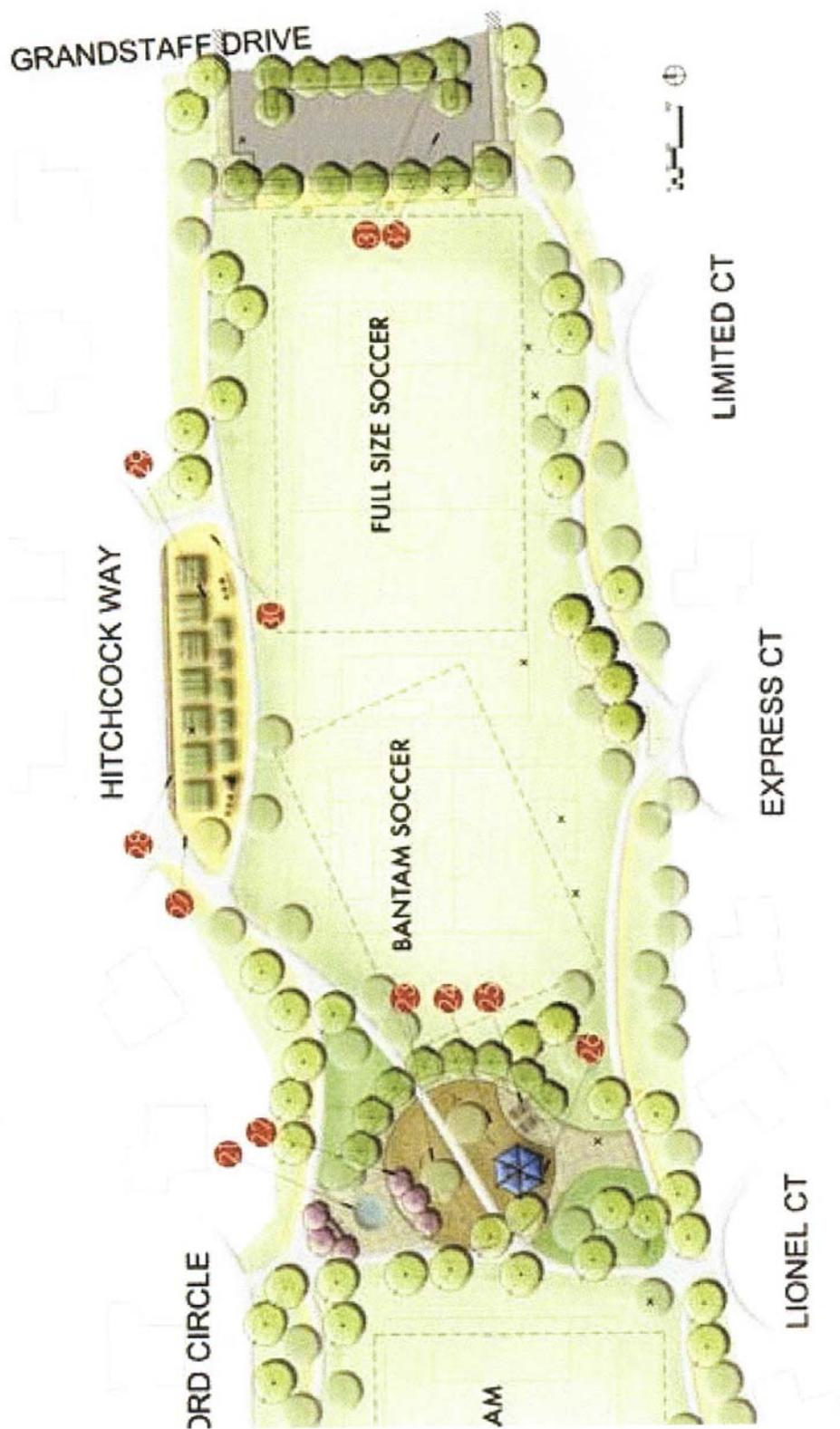
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Valley Hi Master Plan – West Half



VALLEY HI - SACRAMENTO, CA
MASTER PLAN

Valley Hi Master Plan – East Half

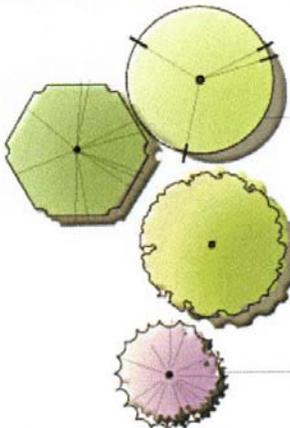
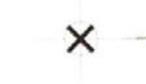
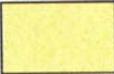


VALLEY HI MASTER PLAN KEY LEGEND

1. SKATE PLAZA
2. PERFORMANCE AREA
3. TURF AREA FOR INFORMAL PLAY
4. COVERED BASKETBALL COURTS AND HOCKEY
5. SEATING AREA
6. FUTURE YOUTH CENTER
7. EXISTING BUS STOP
8. PARKING LOT – 28 SPACES
9. TURF VOLLEYBALL
10. BLEACHERS
11. RAISED PLANTER
12. GROUP PICNIC AREA WITH BARBEQUE
13. RESTROOM AND STORAGE
14. SHADE SAIL STRUCTURE
15. GRASSY AMPHITHEATER WITH SEAT WALLS
16. RESTROOM
17. FORRESTED OPEN SPACE
18. PLANTING BUFFER 4'0"
19. COMMUNITY GARDEN: 5 LARGE PLOTS, 4 SMALL PLOTS
20. FITNESS STATION (1 OF 5)
21. WATER PLAY
22. SEAT WALL
23. FORRESTED PLAY AREA 5-12 AGE GROUP
24. FORRESTED PLAY AREA 2-5 AGE GROUP
25. PICNIC AREA
26. SHADED PLAY EQUIPMENT
27. ACCESS GATE 12'0"
28. PLANTING BUFFER 4'0"
29. COMMUNITY GARDEN: 7 LARGE PLOTS, 5 SMALL PLOTS
30. GARDEN ENTRANCE
31. RAIN GARDEN
32. PARKING LOT – 28 SPACES

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

LEGEND

	SHADE TREES		TREE TO BE REMOVED
	GROVE TREE		LIGHT FIXTURE TO BE RELOCATED
	ACCENT TREE		DECOMPOSED GRANITE
	DRINKING FOUNTAIN		CONCRETE
	TRASH AND RECYCLING		PLAYGROUND SURFACE
	BENCH		TURF
	PICNIC TABLE		PLANTING AREA
	FITNESS STATION		
	LIGHT FIXTURE		