## Boulware Park Renovation & Expansion Project

Park and Recreation Commission

January 26, 2021



# Existing Boulware Park & Birch Street Property





## **Community Engagement**

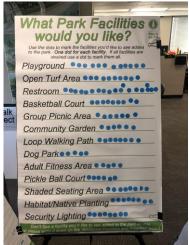


#### **Community Meeting #1**















#### **Community Input**

Input provided at the first on site meeting and on-line survey by 80+ community members

#### **Facility Selection Question**

Playground: 38 votes

Security Lighting: 31 votes

Shaded Seating Area: 30 votes Open Turf Area: 28 votes

Restroom: 27 votes

Loop Walking Path: 25 votes Group Picnic Areas: 22 votes

Creek Lookout: 20 votes

Habitat/Native Planting: 18 votes

Basketball Court: 16 votes Community Garden: 12 votes

Dog Park: 12 votes

Adult Fitness Area: 8 votes Pickle Ball Court: 4 votes

Bocce Ball: 4 votes Horse Shoes: 4 votes

#### **Facility Priority Question**

#### **High Priority:**

Playground, Open Turf Area, Restroom

#### **Medium Priority:**

Shaded Seating Areas, Basketball Court, Group Picnic Area, Loop Walking Path, Security Lighting, Habitat/Native Planting

#### **Low Priority:**

Community Garden, Dog Park, Adult Fitness, Creek Lookout, Bocce Ball, Pickle Ball & Horse Shoes



## **Community Meeting #2**





#### **Design Option Review**

- Joint meeting with the North Ventura Coordinated Area Plan MVCAP (February 2020)
- Three Design Options were presented for community input
- Each option had a different configuration as well as alternative options to consider
- Community requested to place sticker dots on the overall design they liked the most as well as options of different uses per each plan
- Options incorporate the different facilities from the community meeting and survey
- Options considered future creek improvements when locating facilities



### **Plan Option Review**

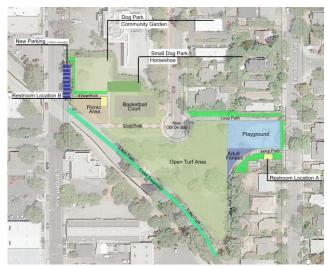


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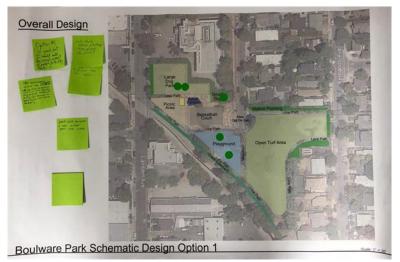
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Option 2

## **Community Comments**

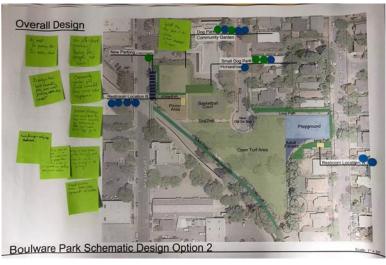


#### Option 1



#### Option 3



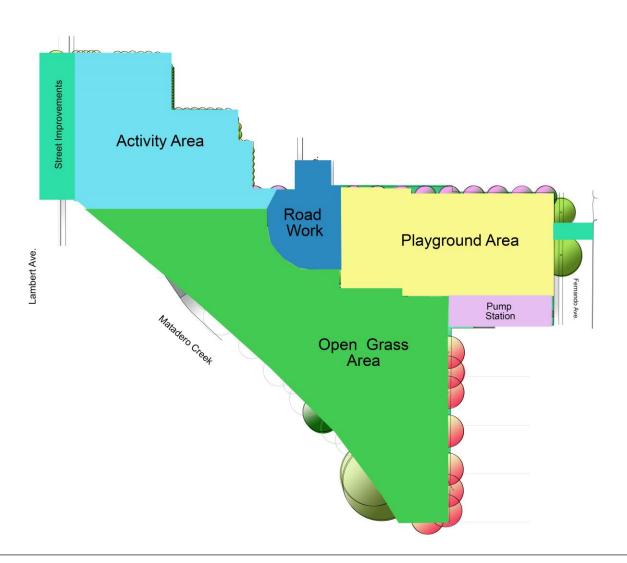


Option 2

## Draft Park Plan Design Review



## **Areas of Park Development**



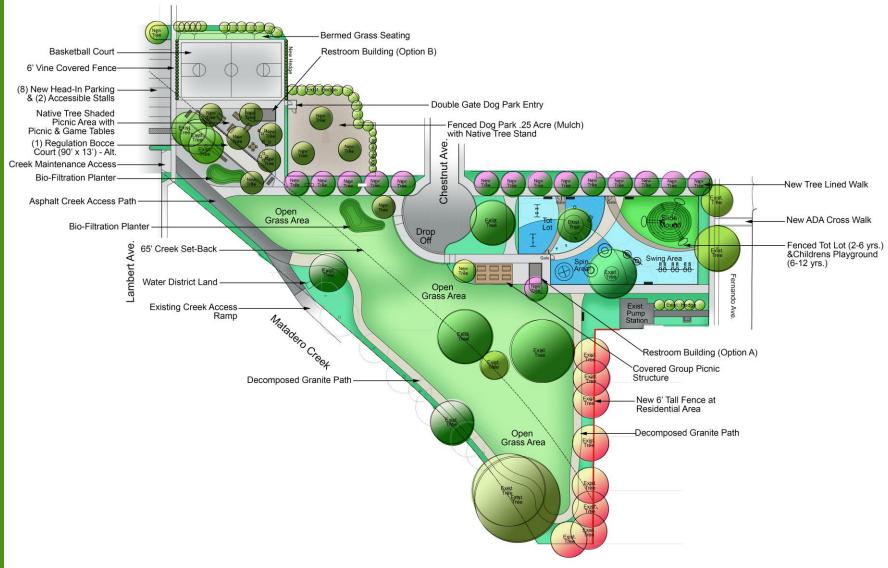


### **Design Highlights**

- The playground is equal in size as the two existing playgrounds
- Installation of significant paving or structures were moved a min. of 65' from the edge of the creek
- Removal of a portion of Ash Street and the addition of a park drop off
- Plan retains existing park amenities:
  - Basketball
  - · Open turf area
  - Children & tot playground
  - Picnic space
  - Walking Path
- New Park amenities include:
  - Restrooms
  - Dog park area
  - Covered picnic area
  - Bocce ball
  - Rain gardens
  - Expanded picnic & game tables
  - Expanded loop walkway
- Accessible & additional parking along Lambert
- Pump Station to Remain



### **Areas of Park Development**





## **Playground Design**





#### **Community Input**

- The community was in support of the overall design & location of proposed park amenities
- Was in favor of removing a portion of Ash Street to connect the park
- The restroom location closest to the playground was preferred
- The community was in support of maintaining a 65' set-back of built structures along the creek
- Was in favor of adding head in parking along Lambert



### **Questions & Comments**



#### **Project Schedule**

- Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting #2 Review Final: January 26, 2021
- PRC Meeting #3 Adoption of Park Improvement Ordinance (PIO): Spring 2021
- Bid Document Preparation: Spring/Summer 2021
- Council to Adopt (PIO) and Approve Contract: Summer 2021
- Project Bidding: Fall 2021 Per Approval of Funding
- Construction Begins: Fall/Winter 2021



#### **Project Status**

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