

Master Plan for the Improvement of Joaquin Murrieta Park

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Introduction

Joaquin Murrieta Park is a 43 acre, City of Tucson metro park located north of the intersection of Speedway Boulevard and Silverbell Road. The park was developed incrementally over the past four decades and now includes athletic fields, ramadas, playgrounds, turf grass play areas, and mature shade trees. The park facilities are extensively used by residents of the surrounding community. The park's swimming pool was closed several years ago due to irreparable damage to the pool vessel.

Purpose of Master Plan

The Master Plan for Joaquin Murrieta Park was undertaken to:

- Listen to neighbors
- Identify community needs
- Evaluate existing facilities
- Develop a plan for the phased redevelopment of the park

The Planning Process and Opportunities for Public Input

The planning process was initiated in January 2013 and continued through June 2013. During this period four public meetings were held at the El Rio Neighborhood Center. Public comments were solicited at each of these meetings. (The comments received are included as appendices to this report). Additionally, an on-line survey was conducted to assist the planning team in identifying the facilities most needed by the current users of the park and other area residents.

Community Needs and Preferences

Area residents and members of the community participating in the planning process made it very clear that Joaquin Murrieta Park is a valued resource that enhances the surrounding neighborhoods and greater Tucson community. They indicated that they want to retain the park's current features and complement them with certain new improvements. They also expressed concern over the poor condition of some of the park's fields, playgrounds, restrooms, and ramadas.

The individual facilities that the public most wanted to see retained (and improved) or developed within the park are:

- A new swimming pool / aquatic center
- Improved baseball and softball fields
- Improvements and enhancements to family recreation areas (ramadas, playgrounds, turf areas)
- Accessible walkways for exercise and for access to park facilities
- A flexible plaza space for community events and activities such as a farmers market

Condition of Existing Facilities

The existing facilities and supporting infrastructure within the park were evaluated and found to be in need of repair. The condition of the facilities was not the result of poor maintenance, but rather facilities that

were at or beyond their useful life expectancy. Additionally, improvements as required to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act have not yet been constructed in all areas of the park.

Proposed Park Improvements

Improvements proposed by the Master Plan for Joaquin Murrieta Park include facilities for organized sports programs, for family and neighborhood recreation, and for community events. When completed, the park will include renovated or new facilities as follows:

- Two (2) slow-pitch softball fields with lights
- Two (2) fast-pitch softball fields with lights
- Two (2) little league baseball fields with lights
- One (1) tee ball field with lights
- One (1) full-size baseball field with lights
- Four (4) batting cages
- One (1) concession / restroom building
- One (1) concession building
- One (1) soccer field with lights (Constructed as a joint-use facility on the Tully Elem. School Campus)
- One (1) covered basketball court with lights
- A (6-8) lane swimming pool
- A splash park and water slide
- A new pool building with restrooms, changing rooms, and storage / equipment areas
- Accessible walkways (with several loops of varying distances)
- Pedestrian and bicycle connections to off-site walkways and multi-use paths
- Eight (8) picnic ramadas
- Three (3) group ramadas
- Three (3) playgrounds with climbable structures and resilient surfacing
- Turf grass play areas
- A dog park
- A community garden
- An environmental education area with teaching ramada
- A plaza for community events such as farmers markets and holiday celebrations
- The Silvercroft Unity Park area with benches, gazebos, and walkways
- Renovated and expanded parking areas with approximately 380 spaces
- Parking lot and park site security lighting
- A new, secure operating and maintenance yard
- A new, centrally controlled, reclaimed water irrigation system
- An upgraded electrical distribution system
- An upgraded and/or replacement potable water distribution system
- An upgraded and/or replacement sanitary sewage system
- Site furniture and amenities such as drinking fountains and benches

Estimated Cost of Construction

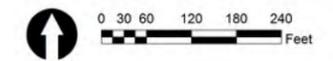
The estimated cost of construction is \$11.9 million. It is anticipated that construction will occur in several phases over a period of years.

Master Site Plan

An illustrative master site plan is included on the following page.



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1.1 Introduction

Joaquin Murrieta Park is a 43 acre metro park that is owned, operated, and maintained by the City of Tucson Parks and Recreation Department. It is located in Section 3 (T14S-R13E) in Tucson (Pima County) Arizona. The site is located on the east side of Silverbell Road, approximately 0.4 miles north of Speedway Boulevard. (See Figure 1-A).



Figure 1-A: Location Map (NTS)

1.2 Purpose and Intent:

This Master Plan for the redevelopment of Joaquin Murrieta Park was undertaken to:

- Identify community needs and preferences as they relate to Joaquin Murrieta Park
- Evaluate the condition of existing facilities and infrastructure within the park
- Identify the new and replacement facilities needed to address community needs and preferences
- Develop a conceptual site plan for the overall redevelopment of the park
- Identify priorities for park redevelopment work
- Prepare an order-of-magnitude cost estimate for the construction of park improvements
- Serve as the basis for bond funding requests
- Provide a guideline for individual design and engineering projects

1.3 Project Goals:

Goals for the redevelopment of Joaquin Murrieta Park include:

- Correcting existing deficiencies as they relate to public safety and accessibility
- Providing appropriate and improved facilities to support organized sports programs
- Providing improved facilities for family and neighborhood recreation
- Creating facilities that will allow the park to host community and neighborhood events

1.4 Concurrent Land Use Planning Efforts:

Concurrent with the preparation of this Master Plan was an on-going community discussion regarding the future of the El Rio Golf Course, which is located east of the park. Proposals for modifications to the golf course and/or potential new uses were being discussed by the Mayor and Council. While the development of a long-range plan for the El Rio Golf Course was specifically excluded from the scope of this master plan, the planning team did consider the potential relationship to adjacent public properties and facilities. The facilities proposed by this Master Plan are consistent with the needs and preferences of the community. They will complement existing and/or new community resources as may occur on the El Rio Golf Course site.

1.5 Organization of the Master Plan Report:

This report describes a long-range plan for the redevelopment of Joaquin Murrieta Park, a 43 acre metro park owned, operated, and maintained by the City of Tucson Parks and Recreation Department. The report is organized in five sections as follows.

- Introduction
- Context and Setting
- Existing Conditions
- The Planning Process
- Proposed Master Plan

2.1 Introduction:

Joaquin Murrieta Park is designated by the City of Tucson Parks and Recreation Department as a metro park. Metro parks are typically 40 to 200 acres in size and have a primary service radius of 2.5 miles meaning that most, but not all, users of the park live within 2.5 miles of the site.

The physical characteristics of most urban areas tend to skew the shape of a service area and that is the case with Joaquin Murrieta Park. The Santa Cruz River and Interstate 10 restrict access to the site from the east, while Silverbell Road provides ready access from the north and south. As such, the most likely users of Joaquin Murrieta Park live west of the Santa Cruz River, north of Congress Street, south of Goret Road, and east of the Tucson Mountains.

Individuals living outside this primary service area also use the park. Participants in athletic programs, such as senior softball leagues, and others will often travel a greater distance to participate in games, practices, and other events conducted at the park.

2.2 Adjacent Development:

Land uses in the vicinity of the park include residential, commercial, and recreational developments. The primary land use in areas west, north, and northeast of the site is medium density residential. Immediately south of the site, separated by the Anklam Wash, is commercial shopping center with a large grocery store anchor. The El Rio Golf Course lies to the southeast.

2.3 Residential Neighborhoods:

There are four neighborhoods with associations that are registered with the City of Tucson in close proximity to Joaquin Murrieta Park. These include the Silvercroft Neighborhood (located to the north), the Brichta Neighborhood (located to the west and northwest). The Barrio Hollywood and the Santiago Hill neighborhoods are located south of Speedway Boulevard.

2.4 City Parks and Recreational Facilities In the Vicinity of the Park:

There are several existing parks and recreational facilities in the vicinity of the site. These include:

- Christopher Columbus Community Park (North, 3.5 miles)
- Juhon Park (North, 1.0 mile)
- Greasewood Natural Resource Park (Southwest, 1.5 miles)
- Seminole Park (South, 1.0 mile)
- Menlo Park (Southeast, 1.5 miles)
- Sentinel Peak Natural Resource Park (South, 1.0 mile)
- Silverbell Golf Course (North, 2.4 miles)
- El Rio Golf Course (Adjacent to the site, east of El Rio Drive)

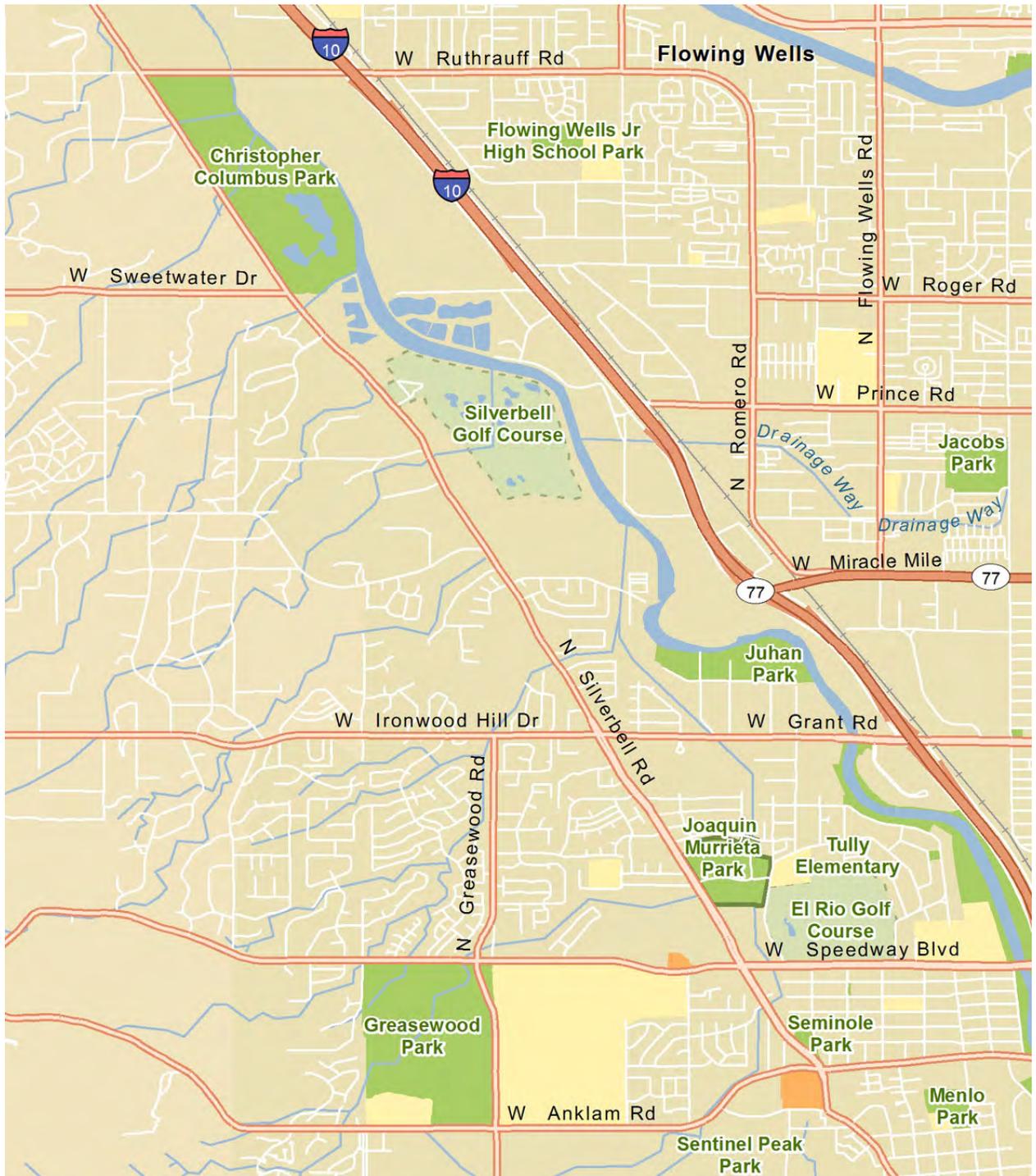


Figure 2-A – Vicinity Map (NTS)

Greasewood Park and Sentinel Peak Park are natural resources parks with pathways and trails. Greasewood Park also has ramadas and facilities for picnicking.

Christopher Columbus Park is set around an urban fishing lake. Facilities at the site support fishing, model airplane operation, and picnicking. Juhan Park has two softball fields. Menlo Park has a softball field, two soccer fields, and a swimming pool. Seminole Park is developed as a pedestrian corridor.

The El Rio and Silverbell Golf Courses are City of Tucson operated municipal facilities. The First Tee Program, a program designed to inexpensively introduce girls and boys to the sport of golf, is based at the El Rio course.

These existing parks complement Joaquin Murrieta Park by providing recreational opportunities for residents living on the west side of Tucson. All of these parks are used extensively. As noted in the Ten-Year Strategic Service Plan, there is a current and growing need for additional recreational facilities in this part of the community.

2.5 School Campuses in the Vicinity of the Park:

There are two public school campuses located in close proximity to Joaquin Murrieta Park. Tully Elementary is adjacent to the park, just east of El Rio Drive. The Brichta Elementary School campus is located a few blocks to the northeast. This school was recently closed by the Tucson Unified School District and the future ownership and use of the campus is unknown.

2.6 Boys and Girls Club:

The Boys and Girls Club of Tucson's Steve Daru Clubhouse is located in the southeast corner of the Joaquin Murrieta Park site. The facility includes a gymnasium and space for indoor recreational activities. It is separated from the park proper by the Silvercroft Wash.

2.7 El Rio Neighborhood Center:

The El Rio Neighborhood Center is one of several such centers operated by the City of Tucson Parks Department. The El Rio Center includes a covered basketball court, a splash pad, a small playground, indoor recreation rooms, a computer lab, meeting rooms, an arts and crafts room, and spaces for senior programs.

2.8 El Rio Golf Course:

The El Rio Golf Course is an 18-hole public golf course, located immediately east of the Joaquin Murrieta Park site.

3.1 Introduction:

An assessment of the existing park conditions was conducted during the period from April to June, 2013. This assessment was based on; field inspections, discussions with Parks and Recreation Department staff, input provided from park users, and a review of available documents.

The review was conducted to determine the general scope of improvements and remedial work required so that appropriate cost estimates could be prepared. In some instances, the assessment identified facilities that warranted replacement, rather than repair.

3.2 Existing Sports Fields (See Figure 3-A):

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|-------------------|-----------|--|
| Softball Field #1 | Fair | Size (250' to outfield fence) not suitable for tournament play |
| | | Irregular field surface |
| | | Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | Field lighting may not comply with current lighting codes |
| Softball Field #2 | Fair | Size (250' to outfield fence) not suitable for tournament play |
| | | Irregular field surface |
| | | Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | Field lighting may not comply with current lighting codes |
| Tee Ball Field #3 | Poor | Irregular field surface |
| | | Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | Partial fencing / fencing in poor condition |
| Baseball Field #4 | Fair | Irregular field surface |
| | | Turf grass / irrigation system in fair condition |
| | | Lighting may not comply with current lighting codes |
| LL Field #5 | Poor | Irregular Field Surface |
| | | Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | Lighting may not comply with current lighting codes |

Existing Conditions

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|--------------------|-----------|---|
| LL Field #6 | Poor | Irregular Field Surface |
| | | Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | Lighting System may not comply with current lighting codes |
| Softball Field #7 | Fair | Irregular Field Surface, Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | Turf-grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | No outfield fence |
| | | Lighting may not comply with current lighting codes |
| Tee Ball Field #8 | Poor | Backstop only |
| | | Irregular Field Surface, Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | In conflict with open-space for family recreation |
| Field #9 | Poor | Backstop only |
| | | Irregular Field Surface, Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | In conflict with open-space for family recreation |
| Softball Field #10 | Fair | Irregular Field Surface |
| | | Turf grass / irrigation system in poor condition |
| | | Lighting System may not comply with current lighting codes |
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Field No. 5



Field No. 7

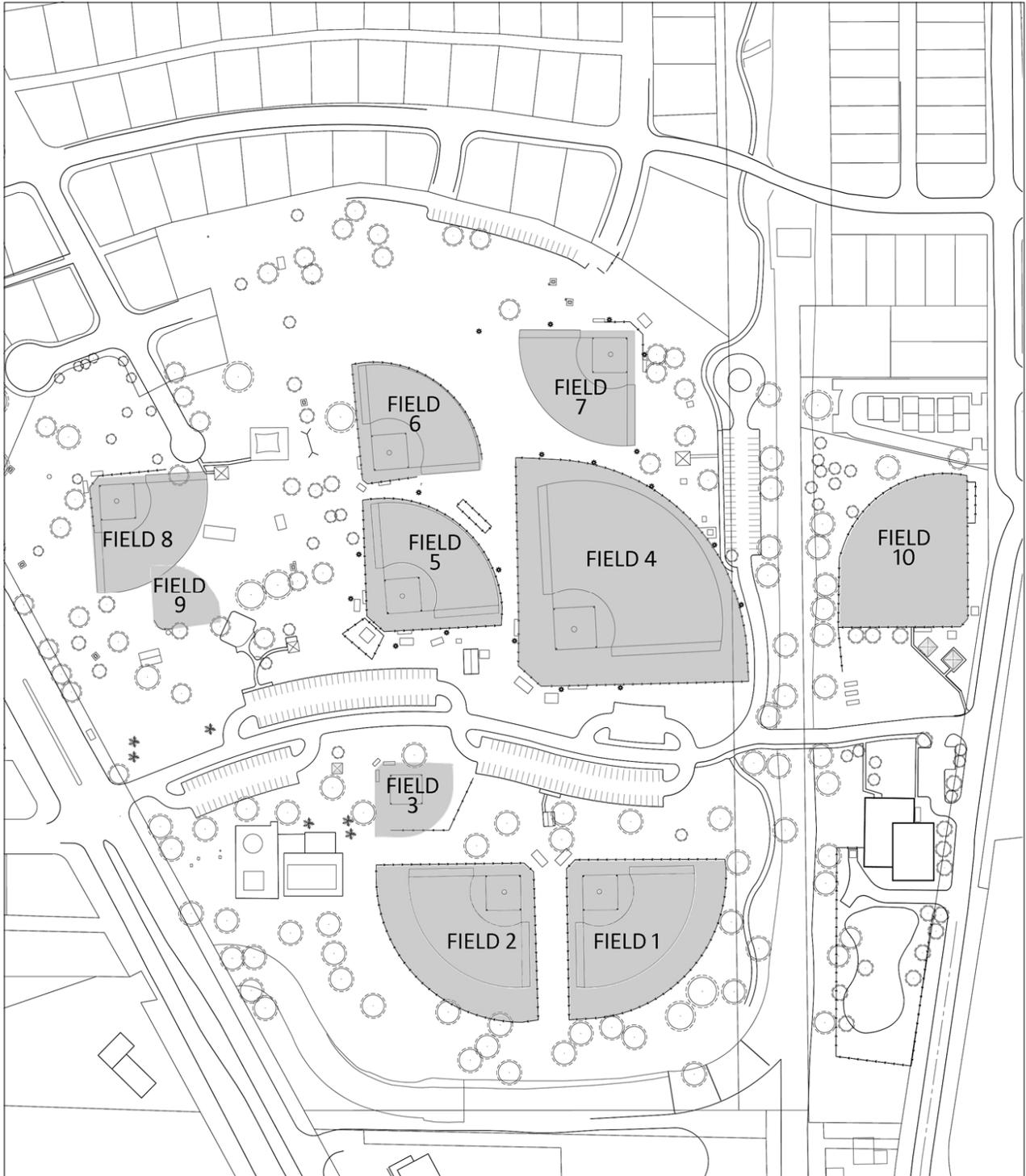


Figure 3-A: Existing Fields (NTS)

Existing Conditions

3.3 Existing Buildings and Structures (See Figure 3-B)

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|-------------|-----------|--|
| Restroom #1 | Poor | Metal building, structure in poor condition |
| | | Not ADA accessible |
| | | Interior / exterior lighting poor |
| Restroom #2 | Good | Pre-engineered concrete building |
| | | ADA Accessible (Subject to detailed audit) |
| | | Accessible walkway from parking lot, but not from spectator areas |
| Restroom #3 | Good | Concrete columns, masonry walls, wood frame / shingled roof |
| | | ADA Accessible (subject to detailed audit) |
| | | Accessible walkway from parking lot and spectator areas |
| Ramada #1 | Poor | Large group ramada with convenience electrical outlets |
| | | Concrete floor, steel columns, wood truss roof with asphalt shingles |
| | | Poor condition, replacement should be considered |
| Ramada #2 | Poor | Small picnic ramada with convenience electrical outlets |
| | | Concrete floor, steel columns, wood truss roof with asphalt shingles |
| | | Poor condition, replacement should be considered |
| Ramada #3 | Fair | Small picnic ramada with convenience electrical outlets |
| | | Concrete floor, steel columns, wood truss roof with asphalt shingles |
| | | Fair condition, repair and renovation should be considered |
| Ramada #4 | Poor | Small picnic ramada with convenience electrical outlets |
| | | Concrete floor, steel columns, wood truss roof with asphalt shingles |
| | | Poor condition, replacement should be considered |
| Ramada #5 | Good | Small picnic ramada with convenience electrical outlets |
| | | Concrete floor, concrete columns, wood frame shingled roof |
| | | Good condition, repair and renovate as-needed |

Existing Conditions

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|---------------------|-----------|---|
| Ramada #7 | Good | Small picnic ramada with convenience electrical outlets |
| | | Concrete floor, concrete columns, wood frame shingled roof |
| | | Good condition, repair and renovate as-needed |
| Concession #1 | Good | Masonry structure, metal roof |
| | | Structure in good condition, maintain if in appropriate location |
| | | Remove and replace if in conflict with park redevelopment |
| Concession #2 | Good | Concrete columns, masonry walls, wood frame roof |
| | | Structure in good condition |
| | | Maintain with as-needed maintenance work |
| Fabric Structure #1 | Poor | Steel posts, steel tube roof frame, fabric cover |
| | | Fabric in close proximity to play structure, has been vandalized |
| | | Should be replaced or modified with higher roof, new fabric |
| Fabric Structure #2 | Excellent | Tensioned fabric shade structure |
| | | Steel columns |
| | | Constructed 2012 |
| O&M Building | Poor | Masonry building (formerly concession building) |
| | | Inappropriately located in center of park |
| | | Includes fenced yard for materials / equipment storage |
| Boys and Girls Club | N/A | Buildings are on City land but operated and maintained by the Boys and Girls Club |



Ramada No. 4



Concession Building No. 1

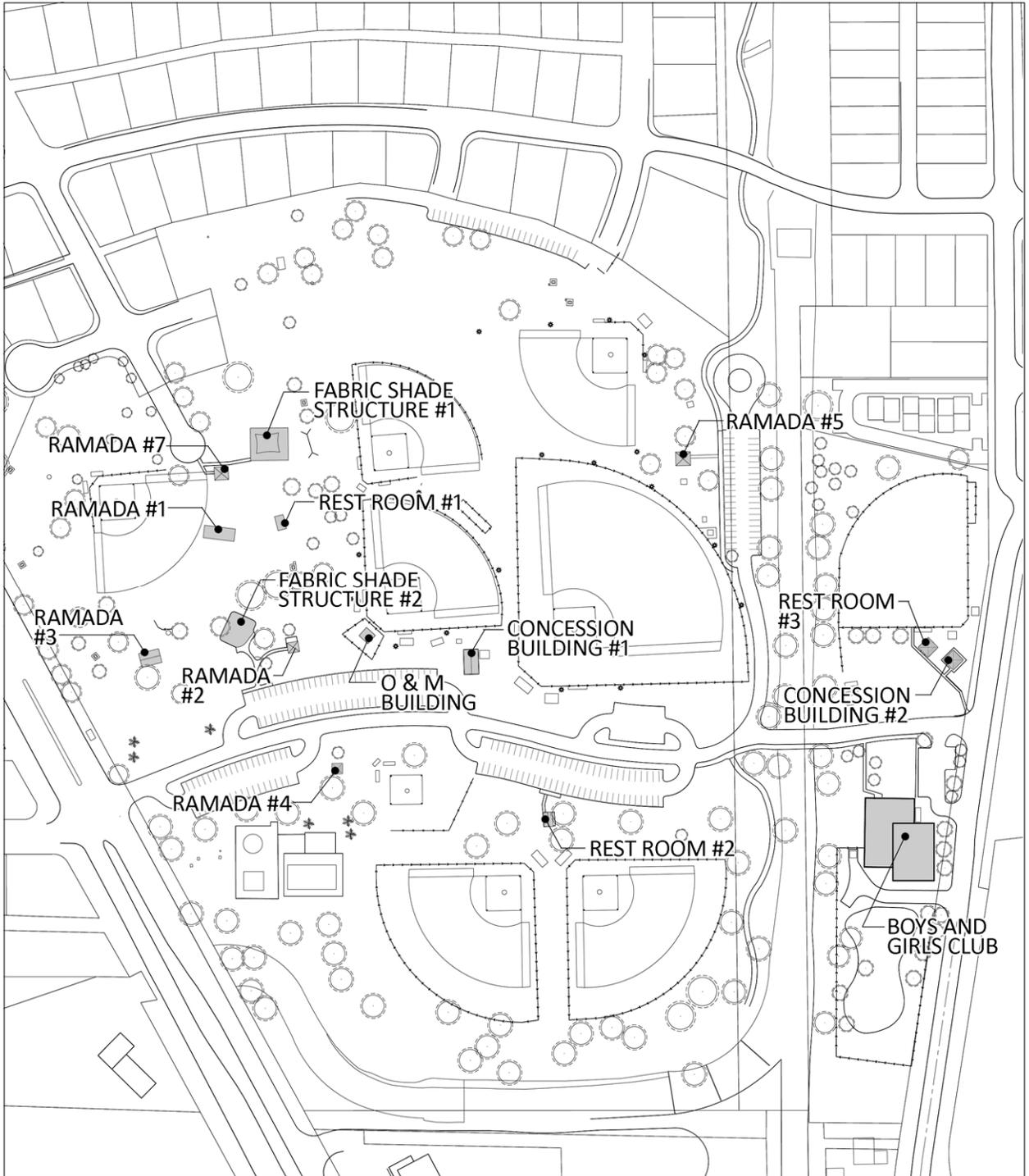


Figure 3-B: Existing Buildings and Structures

Existing Conditions

3.4 Motor Vehicle and Pedestrian Access and Circulation (See Figure 3-C):

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|--------------------|-----------|--|
| Silverbell Entry | Good | Includes H.A.W.K. user-activated traffic signal |
| | | Allows for right and left turns exiting park |
| | | Left turn lane on southbound Silverbell for entry into park |
| El Rio Drive Entry | Fair | Stop sign for traffic exiting park |
| | | Lacks curb ramps for access to sidewalks |
| | | Lacks designated crosswalk for access to Tully Elementary School |
| North Entry Drives | Poor | Connect to poorly developed parking area(s) |
| | | No barriers to prevent vehicles from driving on turf |
| | | No connections from entries to walkways / park facilities |
| Park Drive | Fair | Asphalt drive extends east-west through park |
| | | Speed bumps present for vehicle speed reduction |
| | | Bisects park, can conflict with safe pedestrian movement |
| Accessible Walks | Poor | Provide access to 2 restrooms / 1 playground only |
| | | No walkways for fields and to most ramadas |
| | | No walkways for use as fitness / exercise facility |
| Asphalt Pathways | Poor | Present on east side of park, but discontinuous |
| | | Condition of pavement poor |
| | | Path dead-ends at SE corner of park |

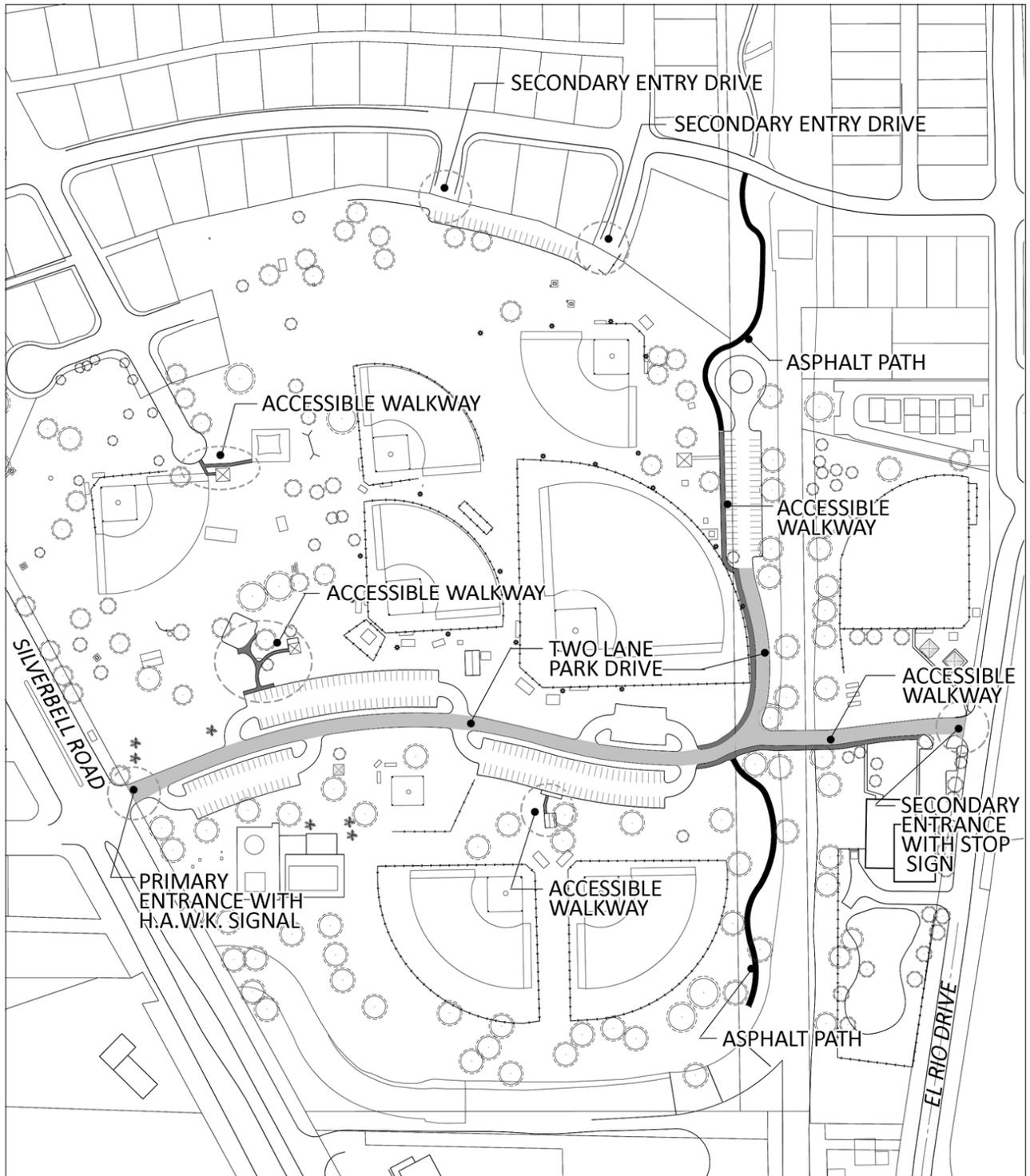


Figure 3-C: Motor Vehicle / Pedestrian Access and Circulation (NTS)

Existing Conditions

3.5 Parking Areas (See Figure 3-D):

| Facility | Condition | Notes: |
|----------------|-----------|--|
| Parking Area A | Fair | Asphalt lot, south of main drive, +/- 48 spaces |
| | | Pavement / curb condition fair |
| | | Limited lighting, no landscaped islands or tree plantings |
| Parking Area B | Fair | Asphalt lot, north of main drive, +/- 66 spaces |
| | | Pavement / curb condition fair |
| | | Limited lighting, no landscaped islands or tree plantings |
| Parking Area C | Fair | Asphalt lot, south of main drive, +/- 60 spaces |
| | | Pavement / curb condition fair |
| | | Limited lighting, no landscaped islands or tree plantings |
| Parking Area D | Fair | Asphalt lot, north of main drive, +/- 18 spaces |
| | | Pavement / curb condition fair |
| | | Limited lighting, no landscaped islands or tree plantings |
| Parking Area E | Fair | Asphalt lot, east side of park, +/- 42 spaces |
| | | Pavement / curb condition fair |
| | | Limited lighting, no landscaped islands or tree plantings |
| Parking Area F | Fair | Asphalt lot, east of Silvercroft Wash, +/- 20 spaces |
| | | Pavement in fair condition, no designated spaces or drives |
| | | Limited lighting, no landscaped islands or tree plantings |
| Parking Area G | Poor | Dirt lot, northern edge of park, +/- 20 spaces |
| | | No curbs |
| | | No lighting |
| Parking Area H | Poor | Configured as local street cul-de-sac |
| | | No designated parking spaces |
| | | No barriers to prevent vehicles from driving on turf |
| Total # Spaces | | Approximately 279 |

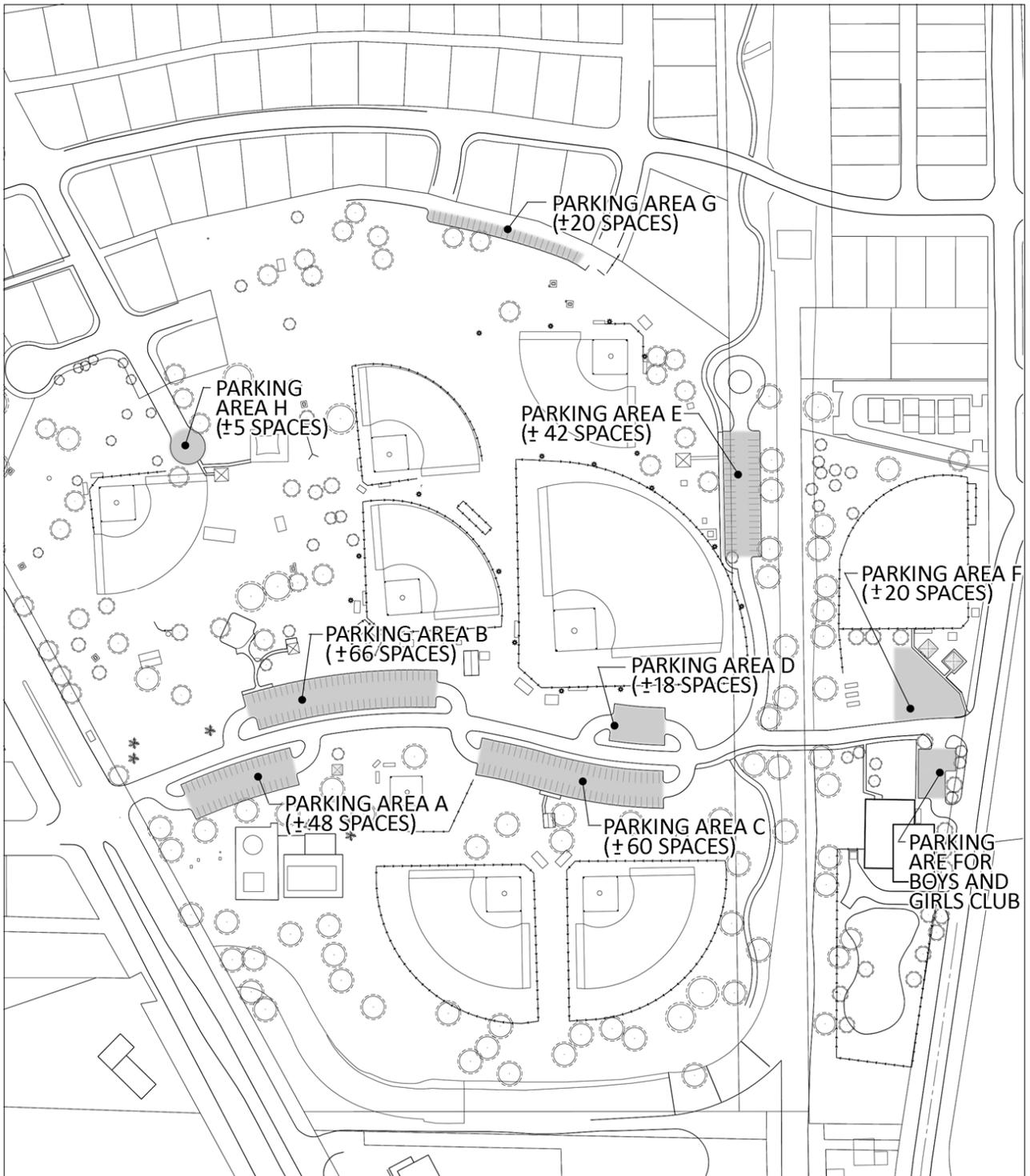


Figure 3-D: Parking Areas (NTS)

Existing Conditions

3.6 Aquatic Facilities (See Figure 3-E)

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|------------------|-----------|--|
| Pool Vessels | Poor | Closed due to budget constraints and irreparable condition of pool vessel(s) |
| | | Mechanical equipment has not been operated for several years |
| | | Deck in poor conditions / not accessible |
| Pool Building(s) | Poor | Do not meet current accessibility standards |
| | | General deterioration due to non-use / no maintenance |
| | | Would require code compliance updates if re-opened |



Existing Swimming Pool



Existing Dive Tank and Buildings



Figure 3-E: Aquatic Facilities (NTS)

3.7 Landscape and Irrigation Improvements (See Figure 3-F):

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|-------------------|-----------|--|
| Existing Trees | Good | (+/-) 160 specimen trees |
| | | Large specimen shade trees at south and east sides of park |
| | | Native and drought tolerant species |
| Turf Grass | Poor | Poor in field areas with small rodent infestation |
| | | Very poor in other park areas with small rodent infestation |
| | | Irrigation old, inadequate for maintenance of turf |
| Irrigation System | Very Poor | Reclaimed water service to site / adequate pressure for sprinklers |
| | | Mainline old and prone to breaks / leaks |
| | | Lateral lines old and prone to breaks / leaks |
| | | Sprinkler heads old, mismatched, in need of replacement |
| | | Multiple controllers, not connected to central controls |
| | | Drip system limited in scope and in poor condition |
| Unity Garden | Poor | Unfinished Silvercroft Unity Garden – at NE corner of park site |
| | | Limited planting, art benches, small sign wall |
| | | No irrigation system |



Turf Grass near Field No. 8



Mature Trees at South Side of Park



Figure 3-F: Existing Trees (NTS)

Existing Conditions

3.8 Playgrounds and Play Structures (See Figure 3-G)

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|---------------|-----------|---|
| Playground #1 | Good | Integrated steel / plastic play structure (5-12 Year) |
| | | Engineered wood fiber surfacing |
| | | Tensioned-fabric shade structure |
| Playground #2 | Fair | Integrated steel / plastic play structure (5-15 Year) |
| | | Engineered wood fiber surfacing |
| | | Framed roof shade structure, fabric in poor condition |
| Swings | Poor | Free-standing swing set |
| | | No accessible route to equipment |
| | | Sand (non-resilient) surfacing |



Free-Standing Swing Set



Playground No. 1



Figure 3-G: Playgrounds and Play Structures (NTS)

3.9 Utilities (See Figure 3-H):

| Facility | Condition | Notes |
|--------------------|-----------|--|
| Potable Water | Fair | Includes services to rest-rooms, concessions, drinking fountains |
| | | Routing of potable water lines not fully documented |
| | | Some pipelines old, prone to breaks / leaks |
| Reclaimed Water | Fair | Relatively new service from main in Silverbell Road |
| | | Connects to old irrigation mainline in poor condition |
| | | RW mainlines / lateral lines not color coded per current standards |
| Sanitary Sewer | Poor | Includes connection to sewer and septic systems |
| | | Routing and depth of sewer lines not fully documented |
| | | As-built drawings for septic system(s) not found |
| Electrical Service | Fair | Extends to buildings / field lighting systems |
| | | Recently checked for safety issues / corrections made |
| | | Field lighting constructed in phases – controls not fully integrated |
| Cell Phone Towers | N/A | Two towers present on site |
| | | Each tower has associated building / fenced enclosure |
| | | Tower locations fixed, not easily modified with changes to park |
| Other | N/A | Existing overhead power lines along Silvercroft Wash |
| | | Utility services to Boys and Girls Club not evaluated |
| | | Utility locating / potholing will be needed for future projects |



Cell Tower at North Side of Park

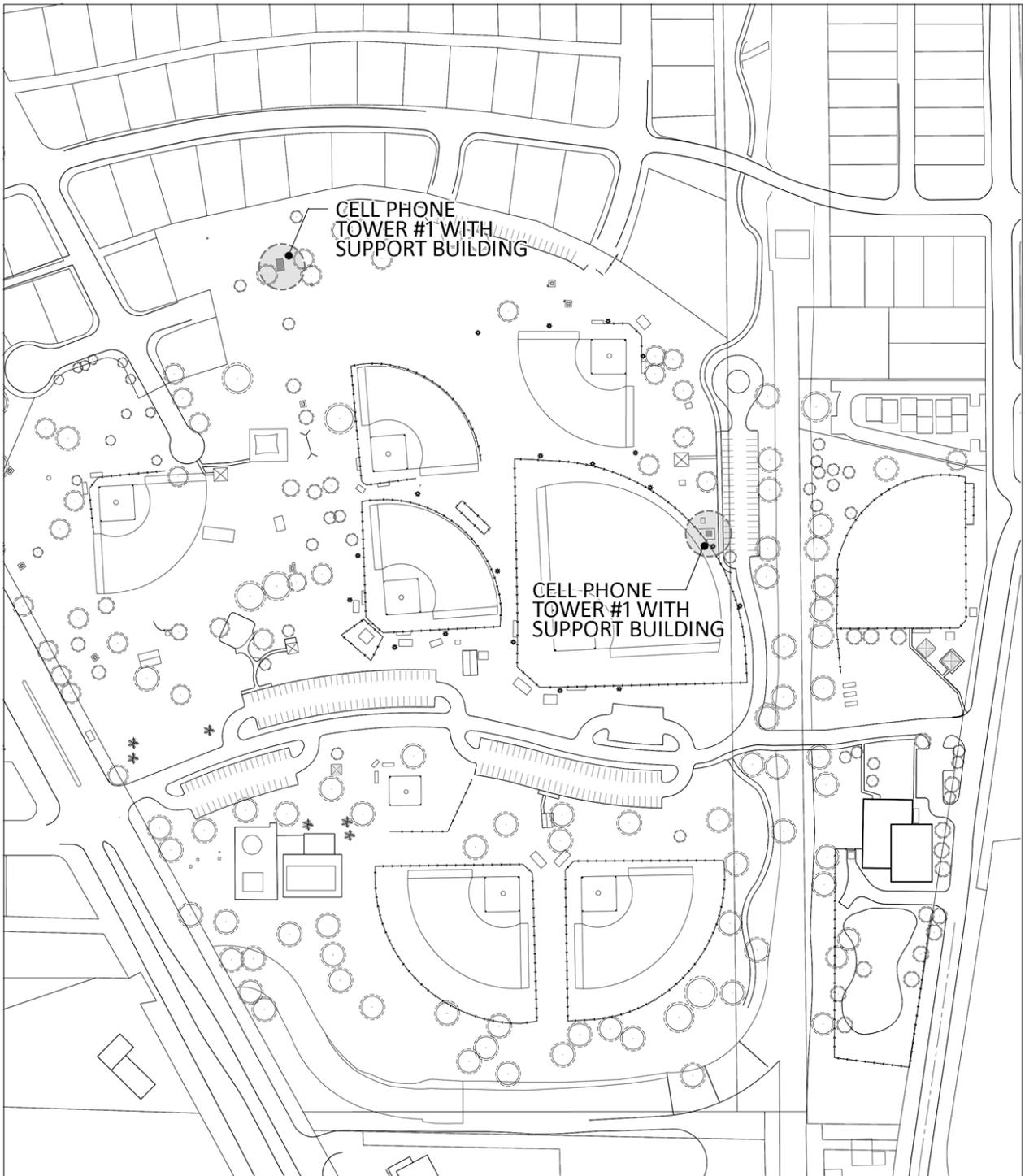


Figure 3-H: Cell Phone Towers (NTS)

4.1 Introduction

The master plan presented in this report was developed to address the expressed needs and preferences of area residents and park user groups. Several public meetings were held to provide opportunities for public input. The community was also given an opportunity to provide input using on-line comment forms posted on the City of Tucson Parks and Recreation Department website. A summary of opportunities for public input is provided below.

4.2 Public Meetings

Meeting 1: January 16, 2013

Prior to the start of the master planning project, a public meeting was held at the El Rio Neighborhood Center with Vice Mayor Regina Romero and representatives of the Parks and Recreation Department present. The condition of Joaquin Murrieta Park and other community issues were discussed at this meeting. Comments received at the meeting confirmed the need to prepare a master plan for the renovation and improvement of the park. Comments were received at the meeting. As a follow-up to the meeting, an on-line survey form was posted on the Parks and Recreation Department website. A summary of the responses received is included as Appendix A to this report.

Meeting 2: March 21, 2013

This meeting, also held at the El Rio Neighborhood Center, provided an opportunity for input related to any and all issues associated with the improvement and redevelopment of the park. Specific input was solicited related to:

- Organized sports programs at the park
- Family and neighborhood recreation at the park
- Special events at the park.

Meeting participants were invited to identify activities and events they engaged in, note the park facilities currently being used, identify new facilities or improvements required to better support their activities, and make other comments and suggestions related to park redevelopment. Written comments received at the meeting are included as Appendix B.

Meeting 3: April 30, 2013

Utilizing input from the previous public forums, a Preliminary Concept Plan for Joaquin Murrieta Park was developed. This preliminary concept was presented at a public meeting held at the El Rio Neighborhood Center on April 30, 2013. Meeting participants were encouraged to examine the details of the Preliminary Concept Plan and to provide comments, recommendations, and suggestions on how it might be modified and improved. Written comments received at this meeting are included as Appendix C.

On-Line Comment Form

The concept plan presented at the April 30, 2013 meeting was also posted on the Parks Department's website along with an on-line comment form. The comment period extended from May 1, 2013 through June 10, 2013. No comments related to the draft plan were posted during this period.

Meeting 4: June 10, 2013

A final public meeting was conducted at the El Ro Neighborhood Center on June 10, 2013. A draft master plan drawing was presented. This plan incorporated changes as recommended by the community members at the previous public meetings.

The purpose of this meeting was two-fold. The first was to give the public an opportunity to review the changes made and to confirm that previous comments were appropriately addressed. The second was to receive input related to which of the proposed improvements should be given the highest priority for funding and construction. Written comments and the results of a "priorities scorecard" from this meeting are included as Appendix D.

4.3 Overview of Public Comment

Several important themes were articulated by the community during the course of the public input process. These themes included:

- The park is an important part of the community fabric, a place to recreate, exercise, meet friends, and celebrate special occasions.
- The park is, and should continue to be, a park with facilities and spaces that can be used and enjoyed by citizens of all ages.
- The existing facilities at the park are used extensively and should be retained.
- The existing facilities were generally old, worn-out, and in a state of disrepair.
- Facilities that are in poor condition should be renovated and repaired.
- New facilities could be added but not if they necessitated the removal of existing park features.
- Connections to neighborhoods and other community facilities should be considered with the redevelopment of the park.

In addition to these themes, specific facilities were identified as high-priority improvements. These facilities were:

- Renovation and improvement of the swimming pool and the development of a splash pad.
- Renovation and improvement of the baseball and softball facilities.
- Improvement and enhancement of family recreation areas (ramadas, playgrounds, turf areas).
- Construction of accessible walkways for exercise and for access to park facilities.
- Construction of a plaza space for community events, farmers' markets, etc.

4.4 Concurrent Community Planning Discussions

Concurrent with the master planning process, there was an on-going community discussion regarding the future of the adjacent El Rio Golf Course. The plan presented herein acknowledges that additional and other uses may be identified for the golf course site. This master plan will accommodate future pedestrian and bicycle connections between the park and the golf course if and when complementary facilities are developed at the site.

5.1 Introduction

Provided on the following page is the illustrative Master Plan for the redevelopment and improvement of Joaquin Murrieta Park. (See Figure 5-A). This plan illustrates the location, scope, and general character of the proposed improvements. These improvements include renovated and/or new facilities for:

- Organized sports programs
- Family and neighborhood recreation, and
- Community events and celebrations

A discussion of these improvements is provided below. A Program of Facilities and a Preliminary Cost Estimate are also included in this section of the Master Plan report.

5.2 Facilities for Organized Sports Programs

The Master Plan recommends the reconfiguration and improvement of the existing baseball and softball fields. (See Figure 5-B). The two slow-pitch softball fields in the south half of the park will be reconstructed and enlarged to provide a 300' outfield fence as required to meet current standards. New fencing and backstops will also be provided.

The baseball and softball fields in the center of the park will be reconfigured to provide a "quad-field" configuration and a new restroom / concession building will be constructed in the center of this complex. A new tee-ball field will also be built. This field will be available for league play and for general recreational use. The existing softball field east of the Silvercroft Wash will be improved with new turf and new infield surfacing.

The baseball and softball field lighting systems will be replaced with new high-efficiency systems that provide brighter, more uniform lighting at a lower operating cost. The new field lighting will comply with applicable dark-skies outdoor lighting ordinances. They will be equipped with enhanced control systems that will allow the Parks and Recreation Department to schedule and remotely control when the field lights are operated.

A new soccer field is also proposed as part of the park redevelopment. (See Figure 5-C). Due to space constraints, this field is proposed to be located on the adjacent Tully Elementary School campus. A joint-use agreement would be required for the construction, operation, and maintenance of this facility.

The proposed soccer field would be equipped with field lights. It will be large enough to provide a full-size soccer field for adult competitive play while also accommodating three mini-fields, laid out at right angles to the main field. These smaller fields will be suitable for youth soccer practices and games.



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Figure 5-B: Proposed Baseball and Softball Fields



Figure 5-C: Proposed Soccer Field

5.3 Facilities for Family and Neighborhood Recreation

Improved and expanded facilities are proposed for family and neighborhood recreation. These facilities include; an aquatics center, walking paths, picnic ramadas, playgrounds, and turf-grass play areas. A dog park, a community garden, an environmental education area, and the Silvercroft Unity Park will also be provided.

The proposed aquatic facility will replace the existing swimming pool which has been closed due to irreparable damage to the pool vessel. (See Figure 5-D). The new aquatics facility will include a 6-8 lane lap pool for competition and fitness programs. The pool will be designed to facilitate access by the elderly and physically disabled. It will also include a water slide. A splash pad is proposed for the aquatic center. This facility will share water filtration and treatment systems with the pool. It will be covered with a tensioned-fabric shade structure. A new building with an access control desk, restrooms, changing rooms, staff offices, equipment storage space, and mechanical equipment room will also be provided.



Figure 5-D: Proposed Aquatics Center

Proposed Master Plan

New hard-surfaced walking paths will also be provided within the park and will be configured in loops of various lengths. They will provide an opportunity for exercise and fitness activities and will also serve to provide accessible routes to park facilities as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act.



Figure 5-E: Proposed Walking Paths

The existing ramadas within the park have historically been heavily utilized. Some of these existing ramadas will be refurbished and retained. Others will be demolished and replaced. New ramadas will include both individual family and large group ramadas. All will be equipped with barbecue grills, picnic tables, electrical outlets, and appropriate lighting. Turf play areas will be restored in areas near the ramadas for unstructured recreational activities.

Proposed Master Plan

Playgrounds with climbable structures are also proposed for the park. (See Figure 5-F). Included will be two existing playgrounds and one new playground. They will have new or improved equipment, resilient surfacing, and shade structures or canopies.



Figure 5-F: Proposed Playgrounds

A dog park is proposed as a new facility within the park. (See Figure 5-G). It will be constructed in the northern portion of the park site, in an area that is currently underutilized. The dog park will have separate areas for large and small dogs and will include appropriate fencing and gating. Accessible walkways and a ramada where dog owners can congregate and visit will be constructed nearby. The fenced area of the dog park is approximately 0.5 acres.

Also proposed as a new facility within the park is a community garden. (See Figure 5-G). This garden will have a perimeter fence with lockable gates and garden plots of various sizes. Irrigation will be extended to each garden plot. Fees for plot rental and irrigation water usage will be established in accordance with Parks and Recreation Department and City of Tucson policies. The community garden would be run by a non-profit organization.

A shed for small tool storage will be constructed within the community garden, as will bins for storage of soil and composted garden waste.



Figure 5-G: Proposed Dog Park and Community Garden

Near the southwest corner of the park, an Environmental Education Center is proposed. (See Figure 5-H). This area will include a multi-purpose teaching ramada, interpretive exhibits, and plantings that demonstrate native species. It will be accessible from the loop pathways constructed within the park.

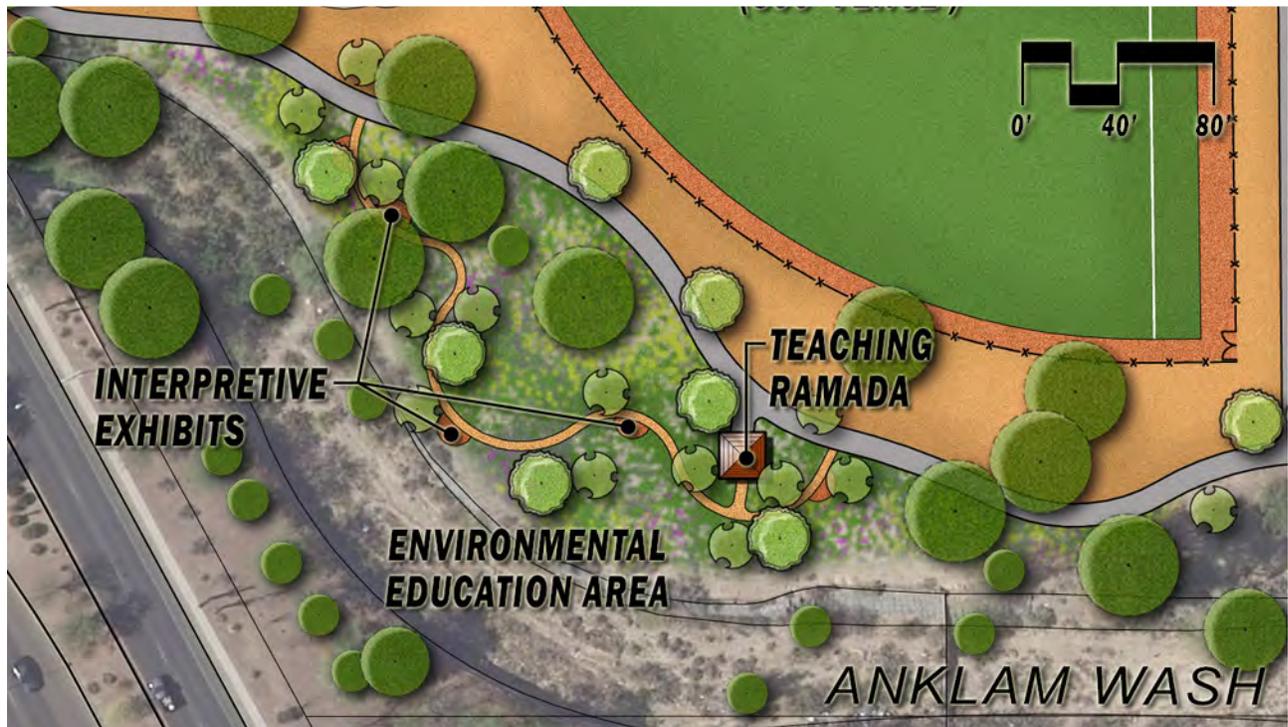


Figure 5-H: Proposed Environmental Education Center

At the northeast corner of the park, the Silvercroft Unity Park will be constructed. (See Figure 5-I). The development of this portion of the park will be based on concepts developed as part of a neighborhood initiative coordinated by an area resident. The facilities to be constructed will include walkways, a ramada, a gazebo, a small playground, benches, tree plantings, and a supporting irrigation system. The Unity Park will serve as a gathering place for members of the adjacent Silvercroft neighborhood.



Figure 5-I: Proposed Silvercroft Unity Park

5.4: Facilities for Community Events and Celebrations

The Joaquin Murrieta Plaza will be constructed near the center of the park. (See Figure 5-J). This will displace an existing operations and maintenance yard which will be moved to a more appropriate, less prominent location.

The plaza will serve as the heart of the park, the place where residents gather and where community events and celebrations take place. It will consist of a paved plaza, two group ramadas (one large and one small), a restroom building, an outdoor performance area with turf grass and perimeter walkways, and a platform for a temporary stage. Lighting and electrical outlets will be provided throughout.

The plaza was designed to accommodate a farmer's market and similar activities. It includes accessible open areas for the set-up of booths and/or small tents. These open areas will be intermixed with trees that provide shade for plaza users. The outdoor performance area, with its perimeter walkways and a turf grass area, will serve as a space where temporary booths and food vendor carts could be set up for special events and neighborhood celebrations.



Figure 5-J: Proposed Joaquin Murrieta Plaza

5.5 Other Improvements

Parking lots will be improved and expanded to provide a total of approximately 380 parking spaces. It is estimated that this quantity of parking spaces will accommodate the number of vehicles within the park during peak use periods. Parking will be more uniformly distributed and will provide users with better access to park facilities. Improved lighting within the parking areas will enhance public safety.

The existing drive through the park will be retained with a small traffic calming round-about added near the Joaquin Murrieta Plaza. This traffic calming element will reduce motor vehicle speeds and create a safe and attractive pedestrian crossing of the main drive.

The existing operations and maintenance yard will be moved from the center of the park to a more discrete location to the north. The new yard will have security fencing and gates and will include a small shop / storage building for the repair and storage of equipment and materials.

The park's utility systems will also be upgraded to meet current standards. Systems to be improved include the electrical, water, reclaimed water, irrigation, and sanitary sewage systems.

5.6 Facility Program

When all proposed renovations and improvements are completed, the following facilities will be present within Joaquin Murrieta Park.

Facilities for Organized Sports Programs

| | | |
|-----|---|--|
| (1) | Tee-Ball Field with Lights | 50' Base Path, 150' Outfield / No Outfield Fence |
| (2) | Little League Fields w/ Lights | 60' Base Path, 210' Outfield Fence |
| (1) | Little League Senior Field w/ Lights | 90' Base Path, 300' Outfield Fence |
| (2) | Youth Softball Fields w/ Lights | 60' Base Path, 210' Outfield Fence |
| (2) | Slow-Pitch Softball Fields w/ Lights | 60' Base Path, 300' Outfield Fence |
| (4) | Batting Cages w/ Lights | Electrical Outlets for Pitching Machines |
| (1) | Large Rest Room / Concession Building | Located at Center of 4-Field Complex |
| (1) | Small Rest Room (Existing) | Located at Slow-Pitch Softball Fields |
| (1) | Small Rest Room (Existing) | Located at East Softball Field |
| | Accessible Walkways and Spectator Areas | Per Applicable ADA Guidelines |

Off-Site / Joint-Use Sports Facilities

| | | |
|-----|--------------------------|---|
| (1) | Soccer Field with Lights | To be constructed on Tully Elementary School Campus |
|-----|--------------------------|---|

Aquatic Facilities

| | | |
|-----|----------------------------------|--|
| (1) | Swimming Pool | 6 Lane x 25 Yd. Pool with Shallow Bay for Water Aerobics |
| (1) | Water Slide | Exiting into Swimming Pool |
| (1) | Shallow Bay for Water Aerobics | On Side of Pool - Separate from Lap Lanes |
| (1) | Aquatics Center Building | Access Control / Office / Rest Rooms / Changing Rooms |
| (1) | Open and Shaded Deck Area | Tensioned Fabric Shade Structure(s) |
| (1) | Lift for Disabled Access to Pool | Per Applicable ADA Guidelines |
| | Accessible Walkways | Per Applicable ADA Guidelines |
| (1) | Equipment and Mechanical Yard | Secure Fenced Yard, Concrete Floor, Roof for Shading |

Plaza and Outdoor Performance Area

| | | |
|-----|--|--|
| (1) | Plaza for Special Events / Farmer's Market | (+/-) 20,000 SF Plaza / Spaces for Farmer's Market Vendors |
| (1) | Large Events Ramada | (+/-) 30' x 60' Ramada with Electrical Outlets, Lights |
| (1) | Secondary Events Ramada | (+/-) 20' x 40' Ramada with Electrical Outlets, Lights |
| (1) | Temporary Stage Platform | Concrete Pad with Utility Sub-Outs for Temporary Stage |
| (1) | Rest Room Building | Located at North Edge of Plaza |
| | Site Furniture | Benches and/or Seat Walls, Tables, Bicycle Racks |
| | Native Tree Bosque | Native Trees in Planters for Shade / Spatial Definition |

Facilities for Family and Neighborhood Recreation

| | | |
|-----|---|--|
| (1) | Loop Walkway with Security Lights | (+/-) 8' Wide, Accessible, Hard Surfaced Walking Path. |
| (8) | Picnic Ramadas | (+/-) 25' x 25' Ramadas with Electrical Outlets / Lights |
| (1) | Group Ramada | (+/-) 30' x 60' Ramada with Electrical Outlets / Lights |
| (2) | Playgrounds with Shade Structure Turf Grass Play Areas | Play structures 2-5 / 5-12 Yr. Resilient Surfacing, Accessible Turf Grass Play Areas for General Recreation |
| (1) | (Optional) Future Bike Pedestrian Bridge | (Optional) Future Bike / Pedestrian Bridge to El Rio Drive |

Dog Park

| | | |
|-----|---|---|
| (1) | Dog Park with Lights Site Furniture Accessible Walkways | Fenced Dog Park, Aggregate Surfacing, Area Lights Benches and/or Seat Walls, Tables, Drinking Fountains Per Applicable ADA Guidelines |
|-----|---|---|

Natural Area / Outdoor Classroom

| | | |
|-----|---|--|
| | Existing and New Native Plantings | Existing Specimen Trees, New Native Trees and Shrubs |
| (1) | Interpretive Walkway / Demonstration Garden | Accessible Walkways, Interpretive Exhibits |
| (1) | Teaching Ramada Site Furniture | (+/-) 25' x 25' Ramada with Electrical Outlets and Lights Benches and/or Seat Walls, Tables |

Community Garden

| | | |
|-----|---------------------------------------|--|
| (1) | Community Garden with Perimeter Fence | Garden Plots, Small Ramada, Tool Storage, Irrigation |
|-----|---------------------------------------|--|

Silvercroft Unity Park

| | | |
|-----|------------------------------------|---|
| (1) | Gazebo | One Gazebo |
| (3) | Ramadas and Barbecue Grills | 20' x 20' Ramada, two 10' x 10' Ramadas, Barbecue Grills |
| (1) | Walking Path | (+/-) 8' Wide, Accessible, Hard Surface Walking Path |
| (1) | Small Turf Play Area | Turf Area with Irrigation |
| (1) | Small Playground | Swing, Slide, and/or Similar Play Equipment |
| (3) | Benches Water Harvesting Basins | Existing Benches, Retained Retained / Improved Water Harvesting Basins |

Support Buildings / Facilities

| | | |
|-----|---------------------------------|--|
| (1) | Operations and Maintenance Yard | 100' x 100' Secure Fenced Yard for Equipment Storage |
| (1) | Operations and Maintenance Shop | 20' x 30' Shop / Storage Building w/ Roll-Up Door |
| (1) | Dumpster and Enclosure | Dumpster with Screen Wall and Gate |

Park Entries, Internal Drives, and Motor Vehicle Parking

| | | |
|-------|---------------------------------------|--|
| (1) | Entry Drive from Silverbell Road | Existing Entry w/ User Activated (HAWK) Traffic Signal |
| (1) | Entry Drive from North El Rio Drive | Existing Entry and Bridge Across Wash |
| (1) | East -West Drive with Traffic Calming | Central Speed Table Traffic Calming Device |
| (150) | Parking Spaces - South of Main Drive | Standard and Handicapped Accessible Parking Spaces |
| (50) | Parking Spaces - North of Main Drive | Standard and Handicapped Accessible Parking Spaces |

Facility Program

| | | |
|-------|--|--|
| (100) | Parking Spaces - East of Baseball Fields | Standard and Handicapped Accessible Parking Spaces |
| (30) | Parking Spaces - East Softball Field | Standard and Handicapped Accessible Parking Spaces |
| (25) | Parking Spaces - North Group Ramada | Standard and Handicapped Accessible Parking Spaces |
| (25) | Parking Spaces - Dog Park | Standard and Handicapped Accessible Parking Spaces |

Utility System Improvements / Upgrades

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| Electrical System | As-Needed Services and Distribution System Upgrades |
| Sanitary Sewer | On-Site Upgrades and Extensions |
| Potable Water | On-Site Upgrades and Extensions |
| Reclaimed Water | Existing Service and Meter to be Retained |
| Irrigation System | New Mains, Laterals, Valves, Controllers, Sprinkler Heads |

Preliminary Cost Estimate

Murrieta Park Improvements - Order-of-Magnitude Cost Estimate (Based on June 2013 Master Plan drawing without detailed engineering / design work)

| Item | Unit | Quantity | Unit Cost | Extension | Subtotal and Mark-Ups | Total Estimated Project Cost |
|--|------|----------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| New Aquatics Facility | | | | | | |
| Pool, Splash Pad, Supporting Systems | LS | 1 | \$2,500,000.00 | \$2,500,000.00 | | |
| Restroom, Locker Rm., Office, etc. Bldg. | LS | 1 | \$400,000.00 | \$400,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$2,900,000.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$435,000.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$400,200.00 | |
| Total: New Aquatics Facility | | | | | | \$3,735,200.00 |

New Baseball / Softball 4-Field Complex / Tee-Ball Field

Four-Field Complex

| | | | | | | |
|---|----|---------|--------------|--------------|--|--|
| Demolish Existing Fences | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Remove Ex. Lighting Sys. (+/- 20 Poles) | LS | 1 | \$40,000.00 | \$40,000.00 | | |
| Demolish Existing Concession Building | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Site Grading | SF | 350,000 | \$0.25 | \$87,500.00 | | |
| New Backstop - Baseball Field | EA | 1 | \$15,000.00 | \$15,000.00 | | |
| New Backstop - LL / Softball Field | EA | 3 | \$10,000.00 | \$30,000.00 | | |
| Dugouts | EA | 8 | \$3,500.00 | \$28,000.00 | | |
| Foul Line and Outfield Fences (5') | LF | 3,100 | \$20.00 | \$62,000.00 | | |
| Outfield Maintenance Gates | EA | 8 | \$1,200.00 | \$9,600.00 | | |
| Lighting System - Baseball Field | LS | 1 | \$180,000.00 | \$180,000.00 | | |
| Lighting System - L.L./ Softball Field | LS | 3 | \$180,000.00 | \$540,000.00 | | |
| Turf Grass / Sod | SF | 152,000 | \$0.75 | \$114,000.00 | | |
| Irrigation System - Baseball Field | SF | 80,000 | \$0.75 | \$60,000.00 | | |
| Irrigation System - L.L. Fields (2) | SF | 50,500 | \$0.75 | \$37,875.00 | | |
| Irrigation System - Softball Field | SF | 22,000 | \$0.75 | \$16,500.00 | | |
| Decomposed Granite Surfacing | SF | 130,000 | \$0.40 | \$52,000.00 | | |
| Infield Surfacing | SF | 100,000 | \$0.50 | \$50,000.00 | | |
| Restroom / Concession Building | LS | 1 | \$150,000.00 | \$150,000.00 | | |
| Accessible Walkways | SF | 11,500 | \$4.00 | \$46,000.00 | | |
| Bleachers | EA | 8 | \$2,000.00 | \$16,000.00 | | |
| Batting Cages with Lights | EA | 4 | \$15,000.00 | \$60,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$20,000.00 | \$20,000.00 | | |

Tee Ball Field

| | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|----|--------|-------------|-------------|--|--|
| Site Grading - Tee Ball | SF | 25,000 | \$0.25 | \$6,250.00 | | |
| Backstop - Tee Ball | EA | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Dugouts - Tee Ball | EA | 2 | \$3,500.00 | \$7,000.00 | | |
| Infield Surfacing - Tee Ball | SF | 8,500 | \$0.50 | \$4,250.00 | | |
| Turf Grass (Sod) - Tee Ball | SF | 40,000 | \$0.75 | \$30,000.00 | | |
| Lighting System - Tee Ball | LS | 1 | \$80,000.00 | \$80,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous - Tee Ball | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |

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|--|------|----------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| East Softball Field | | | | | | |
| Fence and Backstop Repairs | LS | 1 | \$20,000.00 | \$20,000.00 | | |
| Infield Surfacing Improvements | SF | 19,500 | \$0.25 | \$4,875.00 | | |
| New Turf Grass Outfield | SF | 30,000 | \$0.75 | \$22,500.00 | | |
| Irrigation System | SF | 30,000 | \$0.75 | \$22,500.00 | | |
| Lighting System | LS | 1 | \$180,000.00 | \$180,000.00 | | |
| Repair Existing Restroom | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Repair Existing Ramada | LS | 1 | \$2,000.00 | \$2,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$2,033,850.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$305,077.50 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$280,671.30 | |
| Total: Upgraded Baseball / Fast-Pitch Softball / Tee Ball Fields | | | | | | \$2,619,598.80 |
| | | | | | | |
| Slow-Pitch Softball Fields (2) | | | | | | |
| Demolish Existing Fences | LS | 1 | \$12,000.00 | \$12,000.00 | | |
| Remove Ex. Lighting Sys. (+/- 12 Poles) | LS | 1 | \$24,000.00 | \$24,000.00 | | |
| Site Grading | SF | 200,000 | \$0.25 | \$50,000.00 | | |
| New Backstops | EA | 2 | \$15,000.00 | \$30,000.00 | | |
| Dugouts | EA | 2 | \$3,500.00 | \$7,000.00 | | |
| Foul Line and Outfield Fences (5') | LF | 2,050 | \$20.00 | \$41,000.00 | | |
| Outfield Maintenance Gates | EA | 4 | \$1,200.00 | \$4,800.00 | | |
| Lighting System | EA | 2 | \$180,000.00 | \$360,000.00 | | |
| Turf Grass / Sod | SF | 119,000 | \$0.75 | \$89,250.00 | | |
| Irrigation System | SF | 119,000 | \$0.75 | \$89,250.00 | | |
| Decomposed Granite Surfacing | SF | 75,000 | \$0.40 | \$30,000.00 | | |
| Infield Surfacing | SF | 67,000 | \$0.50 | \$33,500.00 | | |
| Drinking Fountains | EA | 2 | \$2,000.00 | \$4,000.00 | | |
| Accessible Walkways | SF | 4,000 | \$4.00 | \$16,000.00 | | |
| Bleachers | EA | 4 | \$2,000.00 | \$8,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$15,000.00 | \$15,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$813,800.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$122,070.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$112,304.40 | |
| Total: Upgraded Slow-Pitch Softball Fields | | | | | | \$1,048,174.40 |
| | | | | | | |
| Off-Site Joint-Use Soccer Field at Tully Elementary School | | | | | | |
| Fencing Between Field & Campus Bldgs. | LF | 1,500 | \$50.00 | \$75,000.00 | | |
| New Gates | EA | 2 | \$500.00 | \$1,000.00 | | |
| Site Grading | SF | 140,000 | \$0.25 | \$35,000.00 | | |

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| Item | Unit | Quantity | Unit Cost | Extension | Subtotal and Mark-Ups | Total Estimated Project Cost |
|---|------|----------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Turf Grass Renovation | SF | 140,000 | \$1.00 | \$140,000.00 | | |
| Irrigation System | SF | 140,000 | \$0.75 | \$105,000.00 | | |
| Field Ltg. Sys. / Upgraded Elec. Serv. | LS | 1 | \$250,000.00 | \$250,000.00 | | |
| New Accessible Walkway | SF | 12,000 | \$4.00 | \$48,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous Improvements | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$659,000.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$98,850.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$90,942.00 | |
| Total: Off-Site / Joint-Use Soccer Field(s) at Tully Elementary School | | | | | | \$848,792.00 |

Family Recreation Areas / Playgrounds / Ramadas / Walking Path(s)

| | | | | | | |
|---|------|---------|-------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| New Walking Path, Asphalt - 8' Wide | SF | 60,000 | \$2.00 | \$120,000.00 | | |
| Lighting System for Walking Path | FIX. | 30 | \$4,000.00 | \$120,000.00 | | |
| Cross-Walk / Traffic Calming | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Demolish Existing Restroom Building | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Demolish Ramada No. 1 | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Demolish Ramada No. 2 | LS | 1 | \$3,500.00 | \$3,500.00 | | |
| Demolish Ramada No. 4 | LS | 1 | \$3,500.00 | \$3,500.00 | | |
| Repair Ramada No. 3 | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Repair Ramada No. 5 | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Repair Ramada No. 7 | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| New Group Use Ramada | LS | 1 | \$50,000.00 | \$50,000.00 | | |
| New Picnic Ramada(s) | LS | 1 | \$25,000.00 | \$25,000.00 | | |
| Replace Equip. Upgrade N. Playground | LS | 1 | \$75,000.00 | \$75,000.00 | | |
| Replace Equip. Upgrade S. Playground | LS | 1 | \$75,000.00 | \$75,000.00 | | |
| New Playground Near Murrieta Plaza | LS | 1 | \$30,000.00 | \$30,000.00 | | |
| Turf Grass Renovation | SF | 250,000 | \$0.75 | \$187,500.00 | | |
| Turf Grass Irrigation System | SF | 250,000 | \$0.75 | \$187,500.00 | | |
| Tree Planting | EA | 300 | \$200.00 | \$60,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$972,000.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$145,800.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$134,136.00 | |
| Total: Family Recreation / Playground / Ramada / Walking Path Improvements | | | | | | \$1,251,936.00 |

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|--|------|----------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Basketball Court with Shade Structure | | | | | | |
| Basketball Court Slab | SF | 5,500 | \$8.00 | \$44,000.00 | | |
| Shade Structure | LS | 1 | \$300,000.00 | \$300,000.00 | | |
| Lighting System and Controls | LS | 1 | \$50,000.00 | \$50,000.00 | | |
| Backboards and Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$25,000.00 | \$25,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$429,000.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$64,350.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$59,202.00 | |
| Total: Basketball Court with Shade Structure | | | | | | \$552,552.00 |
| | | | | | | |
| Joaquin Murrieta Plaza | | | | | | |
| Remove Existing O&M Building / Yard | LS | 1 | \$4,000.00 | \$4,000.00 | | |
| Site Grading | SF | 43,000 | \$0.25 | \$10,750.00 | | |
| Concrete Plaza Paving | SF | 21,000 | \$5.00 | \$105,000.00 | | |
| Concrete Walkways - Stage Platform | SF | 8,000 | \$5.00 | \$40,000.00 | | |
| Turf Grass | SF | 16,000 | \$0.75 | \$12,000.00 | | |
| Irrigation System | SF | 16,000 | \$0.75 | \$12,000.00 | | |
| Restroom Building | LS | 1 | \$100,000.00 | \$100,000.00 | | |
| Large Ramada | LS | 1 | \$50,000.00 | \$50,000.00 | | |
| Small Ramada | LS | 1 | \$25,000.00 | \$25,000.00 | | |
| Site Lighting | FIX | 5 | \$4,000.00 | \$20,000.00 | | |
| Entry Features / Planters | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Tree Planting | EA | 23 | \$200.00 | \$4,600.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$393,350.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$59,002.50 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$54,282.30 | |
| Total: Joaquin Murrieta Plaza | | | | | | \$506,634.80 |
| | | | | | | |
| Environmental Education / Interpretive Garden / Natural Area | | | | | | |
| Small Teaching Ramada | EA | 1 | \$25,000.00 | \$25,000.00 | | |
| Decomposed Granite Walkways | SF | 1,500 | \$0.40 | \$600.00 | | |
| Interpretive Exhibits | LS | 1 | \$3,500.00 | \$3,500.00 | | |
| Tree, Shrub, Cacti, Succulent Plantings | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Decomposed Granite Surfacing | SF | 28,000 | \$0.50 | \$14,000.00 | | |
| Irrigation System | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$63,100.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$9,465.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$8,707.80 | |
| Total: Environmental Education / Interpretive Garden / Natural Area | | | | | | \$81,272.80 |

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|--|------|----------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Dog Park | | | | | | |
| Site Grading / Berms | SF | 33,000 | \$0.40 | \$13,200.00 | | |
| Perimeter Fencing / Gates | LF | 750 | \$20.00 | \$15,000.00 | | |
| Aggregate Surfacing | SF | 23,000 | \$0.40 | \$9,200.00 | | |
| Lighting System | FIX. | 2 | \$4,000.00 | \$8,000.00 | | |
| Site Furniture | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$4,000.00 | \$4,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$54,400.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$8,160.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$7,507.20 | |
| Total: Dog Park | | | | | | \$70,067.20 |
| Community Garden | | | | | | |
| Site Grading | SF | 20,000 | \$0.25 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Perimeter Fencing | LF | 465 | \$20.00 | \$9,300.00 | | |
| Gates | EA | 2 | \$500.00 | \$1,000.00 | | |
| Raised Beds w/ Imported Soil | LS | 1 | \$12,000.00 | \$12,000.00 | | |
| Internal Walkways (Decomposed Granit | SF | 2,500 | \$0.40 | \$1,000.00 | | |
| Storage Shed | LS | 1 | \$2,000.00 | \$2,000.00 | | |
| Materials Storage Bins | LS | 1 | \$2,500.00 | \$2,500.00 | | |
| Irrigation System | LS | 1 | \$15,000.00 | \$15,000.00 | | |
| Security Light | FIX. | 1 | \$4,000.00 | \$4,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$2,500.00 | \$2,500.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$54,300.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$8,145.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$7,493.40 | |
| Total: Community Garden | | | | | | \$69,938.40 |
| Silvercroft Unity Park | | | | | | |
| Clean-up and Site Grading | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Entry Sign Improvements | LS | 1 | \$1,500.00 | \$1,500.00 | | |
| Picnic Ramada | EA | 1 | \$30,000.00 | \$30,000.00 | | |
| Gazebo | EA | 1 | \$15,000.00 | \$15,000.00 | | |
| Small Play Structures and Surfacing | LS | 1 | \$40,000.00 | \$40,000.00 | | |
| Decomposed Granite Walkways | SF | 3,600 | \$0.40 | \$1,440.00 | | |
| Concrete Header | LF | 550 | \$8.00 | \$4,400.00 | | |
| Turf Grass | SF | 2,200 | \$0.75 | \$1,650.00 | | |
| Tree Plantings | EA | 30 | \$200.00 | \$6,000.00 | | |
| Irrigation System | SF | 2,200 | \$0.75 | \$1,650.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$106,640.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$15,996.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$14,716.32 | |
| Total: Silvercroft Unity Garden | | | | | | \$137,352.32 |

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| Parking Improvements | | | | | | |
| Mill and Overlay Existing Parking | SY | 10,000 | \$7.50 | \$75,000.00 | | |
| Remove cul-de-sac (Silvercroft Ave) | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Remove Turf - Expanded Parking | SF | 75,000 | \$0.25 | \$18,750.00 | | |
| Curbing - Expanded Parking Areas | LF | 4,100 | \$8.00 | \$32,800.00 | | |
| Paving (Agg. Base and AC Paving) | SY | 9,500 | \$15.00 | \$142,500.00 | | |
| Curb Ramps | EA | 8 | \$1,500.00 | \$12,000.00 | | |
| Speed Tables | EA | 2 | \$1,500.00 | \$3,000.00 | | |
| Striping | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Parking Lot Lighting System | FIX. | 45 | \$4,000.00 | \$180,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$494,050.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$74,107.50 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$68,178.90 | |
| Total: Parking Improvements | | | | | | \$636,336.40 |
| Operations and Maintenance Facility | | | | | | |
| Site Grading | SF | 9,400 | \$0.25 | \$2,350.00 | | |
| Perimeter Fencing | LF | 285 | \$20.00 | \$5,700.00 | | |
| Gates | EA | 2 | \$1,200.00 | \$2,400.00 | | |
| Aggregate Surfacing | SF | 7,800 | \$0.40 | \$3,120.00 | | |
| Maintenance / Storage Building | LS | 1 | \$50,000.00 | \$50,000.00 | | |
| Shade Structure for Equipment | LS | 1 | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | | |
| Material Storage Bins | LS | 1 | \$2,500.00 | \$2,500.00 | | |
| Security Lighting | FIX. | 1 | \$4,000.00 | \$4,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$80,070.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$12,010.50 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$11,049.66 | |
| Total: Operations and Maintenance Facility | | | | | | \$103,130.16 |
| Utility Systems | | | | | | |
| New Potable Water System (2" Size) | LF | 2,500 | \$5.00 | \$12,500.00 | | |
| New Sanitary Sewer to Restrooms (4") | LF | 1,500 | \$50.00 | \$75,000.00 | | |
| New RW Irrigation Main (4" Size) | LF | 4,000 | \$15.00 | \$60,000.00 | | |
| Irrigation - Central Control System | LS | 1 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | | |
| Electrical Service and Distribution | LS | 1 | \$50,000.00 | \$50,000.00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | LS | 1 | \$9,000.00 | \$9,000.00 | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | \$211,500.00 | |
| Contingency (15%) | | | | | \$31,725.00 | |
| Design, Engineering, Survey, Testing, Construction Management (12%) | | | | | \$29,187.00 | |
| Total: Utility Service Upgrades | | | | | | \$272,412.00 |

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| Total Project Development Cost (Including Contingency, Design, and Engineering Costs) | | | | | | \$11,933,397.28 |

**Summary of (Post January 16, 2013 Public Meeting)
On-Line Survey**

**JOAQUIN MURRIETA PARK MASTER PLAN
RESULTS OF ONLINE SURVEY**

The following is a summary of comments in response to an online survey regarding existing conditions and suggested improvements to Joaquin Murrieta Park. Comments appear as they were written but all names, phone numbers and email addresses of respondents have be omitted.

Programs/Leagues/Organizations currently using Murrieta Park:

My concern is the integrity of El Rio Golf Course remaining an 18 hole course and the support of First Tee.

I have family who support Little League and Softball.

Brichta Neighborhood Association meetings and personal use for socializing, walking and biking.

Tucson Senior Softball League is currently using fields number 1 and number 2, including Santa Cruz field on Sundays. Our season runs from February to The Middle of November. Members of our league also hold occasional tournaments to raise money for members and family who have suffered a hardship, or for granting scholarships to kids.

Tucson Senior Softball League

nearby elementary schools, families for picnics and birthday parties, our neighborhood assoc {Silvercroft} has had a couple potlucks there, neighbors walk there.

I'm not too into sports but know the ballparks get heavy use for baseball and softball. I have seen soccer there a few times but the field is very poor for that.

senior softball sunday through friday

Western Little League

World Adult Kickball League (WAKA) Thursday evenings.

Western Little League

International Baseball Consortium

Western Little League

There are no current soccer facilities at Murreita Park.

My family and I take walks in the park and around it.

I harvest mesquite pods for food in the bosque at the south end of the park from late June through July every year

Little League Baseball, Adult Baseball League (That is all I know)

family member/adult softball league

Brichta Neighnorhood Association

senior slow pitch softball league no. 1&2 softball fields.

little league and most important family outings, birthdays.

Senior Softball

little league

TSSL (Tucson Senior Softball League). I play for the Tucson Cowboys 50's and Arizona Reds 60's teams.

Programs/Leagues/Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park:

Brichta Neighborhood

Please provide Pickle Ball courts. Currently there are no courts on the West side of town. The closest place to play is Randolph Park which is a 50 minute drive from where I live. This is a great game for Seniors and young people. Seniors could play during the day while kids are in school. Then after school kids could play and Evenings both young and Seniors could play together. I would love to volunteer to teach new young people to play this sport. I think it would be great for young people to put down there electronic games and play and learn to socialize with older people.

Spring Baseball WLL, Club Baseball, Fall Ball Baseball league WLL

Boys and Girls Club,
Tully Elementary

The availability of West side soccer facilities for youth soccer is significantly limited. There are 2 full size fields at Menlo Park. This lack of area field availability results in neighborhood kids involved in soccer with the Tucson Mountain Football Soccer Club being required to travel to Jacobs / Ochoa Park for practice during the week and games on the weekend.

The addition of Soccer fields at Murreita Park would enable area kids to practice and play in their neighborhood, as well as reduce field pressure at Jacobs / Ochoa Park.

Create a dog agility training club for the area

I would like to work with others in creating a very simple desert plant "education station" at the south end of the park. The plan has been submitted to Councilwoman Romero's office and was discussed with positive support from the SilverCroft Neighborhood Association, which adjoins the park at the north end.

The station would consist of a sturdy work table with a bench along one length of the table. A ramada overhead to repel rain and shield from the sun, so that classes and other events could easily occur at the table.. A kiosk with glass or plexiglass covering for periodic posting of announcements about plants, plant classes, nature walks, etc., provided by locals, by Parks and Rec, etc. I personally would commit to providing periodic classes for children, adults and/or family groupings, on the plants, shrubs and trees already growing in the park, and on their uses.

I am not sure, but many programs/leagues/organizations probably do not use the park because of the condition it is in. I grew up near Mission Manor Park and lived for several years by Manzanita Park. Those parks have had a total make over in recent years, but Murrietta Park is still in the same shape that it was in the mid 90's.

USA Youth Sports

Families want to continue using the park.

There is a swimming pool that I rarely see being used. I would definitely use it if there is an adult swim time.

Park facilities/fields currently being used:

El Rio Golf Course

Ramadas and picnic tables, grounds and sidewalks.

Baseball fields, restrooms, ramadas.

Fields #1 and #2, including picnic tables, grills and restrooms.

Currently the only place to play Pickle Ball is Randolph park, Clements and Udall. All on the east side and mid town.

The pool, when in operation, was well-utilized by the youth of the neighborhoods directly west of J. Murrieta Park. Those neighborhoods include Brichta Neighborhood, Golden Hills Neighborhood, Ironwood Hills Neighborhood. Silvercroft Neighborhood, I believe, also benefits greatly from an outdoor public recreation pool.

The two softball fields, south side of the park.

Little league.

All baseball fields Majors, minors and Juniors

Softball fields 1 & 2. Bathrooms.

Majors Baseball, Minors Baseball, T-Ball

Picnic areas for Family Partys / get togethers

Play area for children

The Pima County Junior Soccer League has approximately 4500 kids playing soccer in venues across Pima County. Because of limited field space, teams frequently share practice field space during the week. And for note, field use for practice occurs 4 to 5 nights per week during the soccer season (Aug - April).

The fields are also used on Saturdays for PCJSL league games, in conjunction with the Tucson Women's League that uses fields on Fridays and Sundays, and the Tucson Men's League that uses fields on Sundays.

The high saturation of field use across the city limits "down time" which negatively impacts field condition, and increases maintenance costs for the City of Tucson.

I harvest mesquite, as mentioned, at the south end of the park, also harvest in the center of the park when the mesquite trees there aren't heavily cut back so that branches aren't beyond reach. There's no real site developed for teaching or demos, as described above, so I, and some friends, just harvest at present.

Ball diamonds

Baseball Fields, Ramadas for parties, playground

, rest rooms ,water fountains tables &grills.

baseball diamonds and ramadas.

2 Softball Fields

ball fields, ramadas/open spaces

The two softball fields.

Facilities/Improvements Needed to better support program or leagues:

Brichta residents would really appreciate a swimming pool since none of homes have one, and many of our residents are elderly and would like a therapy pool and swimming classes for all ages. Brichta residents are very environmentally conscious and would like to see desert landscaping with water harvesting design and cisterns at each building for conserving rainwater for watering. They strongly urge that the park have permanent recycling with half the existing trash barrels replaced by blue barrels since the total volume of discards would remain the same as it would be if the park's users increased without it.

They would also like an attractive walking path across Silverbell to Anklam Wash, which they have adopted, that would eventually bring walkers to the natural resource park they have been proposing for seven years on the Parks property known as the GI site. This would be an educational nature preserve for various kinds of events to teach appreciation of local desert flora and fauna, their uses and ecology, as well as demonstrate nature preservation strategies.

Fix the gopher holes in baseball fields. Fix/improve bathroom facilities.

Since we play under USA senior softball rules, we need to have a softball field with a 300 foot fence. A ramada and more grills and tables would help for our league. Currently some of members bring their grills from home for some of our Sunday cook-outs. Improved restrooms are also needed.

Both Outfield have holes and unlevel areas that are prone to causing injuries.

The renovation of irrigation, lighting {dark sky friendly}, and sports fields is needed. I'm glad to see you have included Silvercroft Unity Garden for consideration of these plans.

softball infields need to be leveled and outfields need to have gopher holes filled and the outfield leveled as well.

Baseball fields, all need to be totally redone. They are a danger for our kids.

Turf baseball fields due to ongoing Gopher destruction
4 field annex to bring all games to one point of activity
Better field lighting (updated)
Better irrigation for practice field or grass fields
Seperate facilities for park maintainers.
Better parking areas
Equipment storage and utilites.
Ramada type shade around annex for fans and spectators

Some nights the bathroom lights are out/off. Not good for a league of 16 teams with around 25 people each. We are also forced to park in the grass alot - especially if there is another event at the other softball fields.

BATHROOMS - oh the bathrooms are the worst in Tucson!
Really disgraceful

FIELDS - have so many gofers that it is dangerous to run for fear of tripping in a hole!

The addition of soccer facilities is needed to better support soccer in the Tucson valley:

- 1) Provide soccer fields to support the local youths from Ward 1.
- 2) Additional fields will reduce the field impact from other areas.
- 3) Additional fields in this area provides an opportunity for tournament and league games at this park. This has the potential for a positive economic impact to the area as a result of restaurant and convenience store use by families coming into the area for scheduled games.

Dog agility course

In this case, construction cocts would amount to no more than \$3-4000.

Kids: Soccer - Soccer Fields!

Soccer goals!

PS - spelling: l-e-a-g-u-e-s

- 1) Baseball Fields
- 2) Playground area
- 3) Ramadas
- 4) areas near Ramadas
- 5) bathrooms
- 6) Add basketball courts

Swimming - Therapeutic program

Youth Soccer, the baseball fields are always empty and the county and city soccer leagues could use more fields. #1 sport of youth, more would play is we had more space.

Lights at night on the baseball & softball fields should only be on when the fields are in use. Objective: decrease electricity use that Parks & Recreation had to pay. This would also minimize "light pollution".

ramadas 1or2 .

bigger toiletrooms.

There is a very high interest in senior softball and there are currently only 2 softball fields. I would like to see the addition of 2 more fields. Also, I would like to see an increase in parking area, especially around the ball fields. With these improvements we could host more tournaments and invite out of town teams which in turn would increase revenue.

the swimming pool

The two fields are in terrible shape. The infields are so hard and rough it is dangerous to play on them. Each week there are severe bad baounces of the ball which hit or otherwise endanger players in the legs, upper torso, head and arms. The only time this year the fields were reasonable to play on was after the early spring rains and snow which softened the dirt to a condition it could be groomed for safe play.

The outfields of each field are infested with small animal holes which lead to ankle and knee sprains. Both of these conditions need urgent attention before someone else gets seriously hurt.

Neighborhoods/Residents/Organizations currently using Murrieta Park:

I take my young grand-children to the park. I have attended Little League and ASA Softball tournaments.

Some of our players currently live in Barrio Hollywood or were raised there.

Brichta Neighborhood Association utilizes the park/ramadas/grills for its annual Midsummer Potluck and Business Meetings.

Tucson Senior Softball League

Ramada use for parties

Silver Creek - North of Grant off Silverbell Rd.

El rio

I know people who live by Menlo Park, downtown area, Sweetwater Reserve, Rancho Agua Dulce, by Sunset and Sweetwater, and those who live by the park use it for parties and sports. The park has a large area of residents using it; however, many more would use the park if it was upgraded.

13 to 16 senior soft ball teams.

People from Barrio's Hollywood and Jollyville use the park as if it were their second home. The park is a destination that families can count on for a nice afternoon.

I honestly don't know

Neighborhoods/Residents/Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park:

PCJSL "Soccer".

Laurie Melrood, who leads local native foods classes, has petitioned P&R for use of a corner of the parkland as an outdoor teaching/preparation site.

El rio neighborhood

I think El Rio Neighborhood Center and the Boys and Girls Club could utilize the park for events.

I completed the training to serve as a leader in the green neighborhoods program in barrio hollywood, offered through watershed management group. i continue to implement neighborhood planting projects through my program 'projecto verde.' for example, we just finished a neighborhood tree-planting project in partnership w/ rebuilding tucson & planet co-exist last saturday. we have held monthly meetings and are endorsed by the neighborhood assoc.

We have access to a organizations that supply plants, labor, and educational programs. Murrieta Park needs to include current best practices for watershed mgmt, and opportunities for outdoor classroom experiences. The Alamo Wash that cuts through there is a perfect place to begin to remediate "gray-infrastructure" with green infrastructure. It saves money, creates habitat, and becomes an amenity for pedestrians, bicyclists, bird-watchers etc who visit the area. We can provide these improvements through neighborhood groups with permission from the Park District.

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Park/Recreational facilities currently being used and for what purpose:

El Rio Golf Course - golf and etiquette classes

Ramadas and baseball fields. Birthday parties and Little League.

Two softball fields to the south of the park for Tucson Seniors Softball League.

My family uses the area north of the baseball field for kite flying, and the swings at the playground.

Kids: Soccer - Soccer Fields!

Picnic areas and ball fields Birthday party

no. 1 & no. 2 soft ball fields for scheduled games every sunday for 10 months.

picnic tables and benches. the bathrooms are always used.

Softball diamonds on Sunday's for the Tucson Senior Softball League.

Facilities/Improvements needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families:

bathroom, playgrounds, pool.

J. Murrieta Park can greatly improve its outdoor imprint on the Westside by developing the 26 acres of the Proposed Painted Hills Natural Resource Park (aka "Sleeping Woman" Park). A master plan for minimal-impact walking trails and scenic overlooks has already been developed, and environmental hazards posed by the 1896 smelter complex have been addressed. The addition of that natural resource area into the master plan for J. Murrieta Park would continue the inclusion of open space into the Parks and Recreation system, and would be a large step toward the connection of open spaces from Silverbell Road to Anklam Road-- this in the form of Sleeping Woman Park, Greasewood Park (Tucson's first natural resources park, with its orienteering course), AZ Game and Fish lands, Tumamoc Hill, the PCC-West BLM lands. Such lands are part of the wildlife corridor of Anklam Wash, from Silverbell to the foothills of the Tucson Mountains beyond Starr Pass. Anklam Wash is the largest watershed issuing from the Tucson Mountains, and is wild from Silverbell Road to its sources.

Connecting the open spaces-- to include J. Murrieta Park as the man-made and varied portion of the open spaces-- will create a large, contiguous system of open space, reaching from J. Murrieta Park to the Tucson Mountain Preserve. It is a true Master Plan, much of which has already been developed

Improve outfield areas to get rid of holes and dips.

The bathroom facilities are disgusting. There is not adequate lighting.

Better restrooms with better lighting

BATHROOMS - oh the bathrooms are the worst in Tucson!
Really disgraceful

FIELDS - have so many gofers that it is dangerous to run for fear of tripping in a hole!

baseball fields, \parking, bathrooms, Pool

It would be great to get the pool fixed up and reopened!

I strongly urge the development of an olympic sized pool that is open year round. A pool easily accessible for Barrio Menlo Park, Barrio Hollywood, etc., residents would be fantastic. It would provide recreation for children, especially during school vacations, and lap swim time for adults. I would also like to see swimming lessons for all. Swimming is a great way to exercise and have fun in our hot climate.

Creatively planned dog park

Kids: Soccer - Soccer Fields!

Soccer goals!

| Events currently held at Murrieta Park/Date of event: |
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| Tucson Seniors Softball League - Sundays - Feb through Nov. |
| Baseball league Western LL, March through June Fall ball Sept through November |
| Little League - March thru July |
| Birthday party 4-7-13 |
| I know little league is currently using the park. |
| More events run by the city would be an added treat. |
| TSSL Softbal League Each Sunday from February through October except holidays. |

| Organizations sponsoring events: |
|----------------------------------|
| Western little league |
| Western Little League |
| I am not sure. |

Facilities/Improvements needed to better support events:

Add Pickle Ball to the tennis courts or indoor Basketball courts

Shaded Bleachers

BATHROOMS - oh the bathrooms are the worst in Tucson!

Really disgraceful

FIELDS - have so many gofers that it is dangerous to run for fear of tripping in a hole!

Iv always like the swimming Pool there wish you can open that as well,

As a child i was always at that swimming pool

An olympic sized pool for lap swimming and for recreation for children.

Kids soccer fields and goals!

Pretty much the whole park.

Other events that could be held at the park with improved/expanded facilities:

I would host outdoor Pilates/Yoga classes with better landscape and more defined parking.

With softball fields that are improved and maintained, there would be more leagues playing there and also more tournaments.

Pickle Ball tournaments

Is there room to construct a soccer field, in order that J. Murrieta can become a part of the annual soccer tournament in Tucson?

Baseball tournaments held year around with club baseball

lighting in Ramadas for parties, bigger bathrooms

See above for my own idea on an improvement.

I worry in general that our beautiful rustic west side is given the message, through the lack of expanded and improved facilities at Murrieta, that the neighborhood somehow doesn't merit upgrades. Very disappointing and wrong headed, as the park could be more of a real gem if properly upgraded (see below)

Kids soccer games!

I believe with better facilities, many more events would be held at the park.

Perhaps hosting a public event such as music under the stars, or a Nam Jam event, would bring people from outside the area and generate revenue.

Suggestions and other comments:

Encourage the use of the First Tee program for the residents. The program instills pride and confidence.

Move and integrate the pool with the boys and girls club.

I hope I filled this out correctly. I am having a little trouble discerning whether these are questions or whether we are supposed to be identifying whether we are residents or organizations. I feel like the format is a little confusing. Maybe it's just me.

I would propose re-doing fields #1 and #2 and converting the existing hardball field located at the East side of park into a softball field with a 300 foot fence. This would allow approximately 55 more feet to build separate fields for Western Little on the North side of park as suggested by their President. This also would provide East side of park with more space to create more parking or for walking trail as mentioned by some residents. This idea would keep softball on South side of park and leave the center and North side of park for little league. I feel this idea would help in keeping costs down and better suit sports programs that use this park.

Thank you for your consideration.

Carl Stoeckel
Founder, Citizens to Restore Our Wash and Neighborhoods (CROWN)
Secretary, Brichta Neighborhood Association

The softball fields get a lot of usage from our leagues. I would guess over 100 players on any given Sunday.

I was surprised and delighted to see so much support for a replacement pool. I'm a lap swimmer and use many of the city pools. I didn't even mention my support for this when we had the first meeting because I thought it would be a selfish point of view.

I know in the past the neighborhood youngsters used the pool heavily during the summer. There was mention of putting a new one at Columbus park but that would not truly benefit our neighborhood kids many of whom are disadvantaged.

I attended a meeting held at the El Rio Community Center building (adjacent to the El Rio Golf Course), At that meeting, it appeared the 'powers that be' were doing their very best to reduce the golf course to a 9-hole course, and to expand the Murrietta Park facilities to include 2-3 soccer fields on the area which the golf course now occupies.

During one of the regional soccer events held here in Tucson, I noted there were several soccer 'venues' that were closer to the current El Rio Golf Course than is the Silverbell Golf Course, to which those conducting the meeting were saying the golfers should go.

There was no evidence of any thought of the fact that El Rio was originally a Country Club, and PGA events were held there; then within the past ten years the City 'spent' a considerable sum of money to return the El Rio Golf Course to its original "layout"....which included a number of added bunkers. Then when that was all done, there was an erroneous chemical put onto the course which killed all the grass and caused a second year of unplayable conditions at the El Rio Golf Course.

I maintain that, after the City re-constructed Randolph South (now called Dell Ulrich) to serve as a drainage area to comply with requests from neighboring homeowners, at that time they 'forced' any senior citizens desiring to walk an 18-hole golf course to El Rio--the only "flat" golf course in the City of Tucson!!!

While the Murrietta Park can use some 'upgrading, certainly it should NOT affect the El Rio-Trini

Thank you for accommodating us!

Joaquin Murrietta needs a definite face lift on all there fields, my son plays basball for western,and the fields there are dangerous,with all the uneven grounds and holes,which makes it extremely dangerous for the kids as if they try to catch a ground ball it will pop up and hit the kids in the face.

In addition to the initial issue regarding support for the local youths by having soccer facilities in their neighborhood at their disposal, I would like to reemphasize the potential economic impact to Tucson through expanded soccer facilities.

PCJSL Clubs holds 8 tournaments during the season, which are primarily attend by in town teams. But, the Ft. Lowell Shootout is well known for bringing in out of town teams which significantly supports the tourism industry. The TSA tournament is growing and anticipating additional participation by out of town teams. The Far West Region League has also begun to bring in teams for a round robin play on multiple weekends, with teams coming from California, New Mexico, Colorado and Arizona.

Field condition is a significant factor in determining out of town travel to Tucson.

This all relates to field resting and shared use. Any addition of field space has the potential to support the immediate needs as well as support high level tournament play.

I would request that serious consideration be made to incorporate soccer facilities as part of this planning process for Joaquin Murrieta Park.

Bob Barton
Field Commissioner
PCJSL Board of Directors

Would very much like to see a new dog park, dog agility course. Though a resident of West University neighborhood (42 years), I take my dog quite often to Christopher Columbus park. Would like a neighborhood dog park closer to home, seems that JM has room to feature a such a park. I recently submitted to Parks & Rec a suggestion for a CanineOrigins park, hopefully for the Mercado area, would also like to see dog facilities at JM in some form or fashion. I am willing to be part of a committee and to raise money for new facilities. During the course of the Tucson Modern Streetcar Design Charette I obtained dog demographics for the area around the streetcar route, found many more dogs in residence than expected. What are the dog demographics for JM Park catchment area ? Tucson and the nation are behind in the concept of canine urban planning; do we need to be ? I would be happy to become a change agent in this important regard.

My family and i have lived across the street from the park for 20 years and see that the park is heavily used for recreation and for family gatherings. there is no weekend day that it isn't absolutely full of picknickers (summer weekends included) so clearly the park is cherished by neighborhood resident.

Yet the public pool has been closed for several years, even though there appears to be no other pool for children or families within walking distance. There are few restroom facilities, and the one available is outdated. Few or no benches so that strollers can have a leisurely conversation along a walkway. No pleasant walkways through the north or east ends of the park, just a sort of empty unlandscaped field and neglected vacant lot atmosphere at the north end of the park, and the furnishings placed there at one time are pretty much degraded and abandoned.

Also, I and others would like to see a permanent stage and benches erected so that celebrations, neighborhood concerts, storytellers and more, could feel at home at the park

I do appreciate the childrens' area and have noted and documented nice assortment of trees and shrubs that are generally well cared for.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment. I will attend the next planning meeting.

Develop soccer fields with goals at park for league practices and games!

Nothing wrong now, spend monies on the east side

Park is real nice as it is. Seems like before running off half cocked, a decision should be made on the future of El Rio golf course. hopefully El Rio will remain in its current condition as a fully functioning 18 hole golf course.....

I love having this park so nearby for my grandson and neighborhood children to have a place to play and interact.

The fact that there are always children here playing on the equipment and using the fields shows a real community feel to this park. I am sure there are other uses that would add to this feel.

I would suggest a free area for dogs to run around.

The park serves a large area of residents. It is about time the facilities were improved. The current condition of the park is appalling. I went about six times at the end of February and the beginning of March to shoot baskets at Juhan Park. Each time I saw three to four City of Tucson Parks and Recreation vehicles working on the fields. I rarely see any Parks and Recreation staff or vehicles at Murietta Park. Juhan primarily is used for girls softball and I rarely see people using the basketball court or park other than for softball. Yet, you will see numerous people at Murietta using the baseball fields, playground, and Ramadas for parties. I know that both Murietta and Juhan needed improvements, but I would think Murietta would have been first because of its condition and the amount of people who use it and will use it if it is improved.

Youth Soccer, the baseball fields are always empty and the county and city soccer leagues could use more fields. #1 sport of youth, more would play if we had more space.

Having more to offer the areas of town that serve low-income neighborhoods will build stronger communities, and provide entertainment for the whole and not just some. Reed park has plenty to offer as does Udall and others. Menlo, Murietta, and Oury are very limited and this is something that needs to be weighed and considered for improvement.

See my comments above. Thank you for your consideration of the needed improvements to make use of the facilities safer and more enjoyable.

**Summary of Comments from
March 21, 2013 Public Meeting**

Neighborhood and Family Recreation Notes:

- Neighborhood residents requested an irrigation line for the Silvercroft Unity Garden.. They have worked with Watersheed Management in the past to install rainwater harvesting basins and swales
- Several requests for fitness paths that loop around the park and connect to all the park features
- New pool – relocate to central area with large group use area nearby for community events
- New pool – therapeutic pool needed for seniors
- New pool – provide shaded areas around pool
- New pool – how will pool be treated chemically – bromine? chlorine?
- Provide activities for all age groups to keep kids out of “mischief” (skate park was mentioned as a potential feature)
- Block vehicles from cutting through Unity garden
- Provide large group use areas, ramadas
- Skaters currently use drainage structure near Lester Street bridge and Silvercroft wash as a skate hangout.
- Connection to Greasewood Park via Anklam wash trail requested
- It was noted that there is a walking path located between two fences along the golf course and Tully school that gets used by the neighborhood to access / shortcut to park
- Bricketa Neighborhood Association requested access to Ore Mill property? 30 AC COT parcel
- The slopes along the Anklam Wash near the Silvercroft connection have bad erosion problems
- A user noted that the small park south of the Boys and Girls Club rarely gets used and it would be a great location for a dog park.

Organized Sports and Recreation Program Notes:

- The existing softball fields are used extensively. They are old, the irrigation system is old, there are drainage problems, and with the extensive use that they receive, they are substandard.
- There is a need for a softball field with a 300’ outfield fence – for adult slow-pitch play.
- Condition of baseball fields has created concern for user safety.
- Western Little League has been denied the opportunity to host play-off games for the past several years due to the condition of the fields.
- A “pony league” size baseball field would be great to have. There are very few of these facilities in the City.
- Shade for spectators / parent near the baseball field is needed.
- Restrooms are in poor condition and are not sufficient for the level of use the park receives.
- A group ramada would be great – not just for general recreation use – but for league events such as little league opening ceremonies.
- Park is not adequate. When park has games / events – people park on fields further deteriorating field conditions.
- Soccer uses some of the open turf areas in the park but there is no designated soccer field. However, there is a need for additional fields in this part of the City.

Community and Neighborhood Events Notes:

- Area southwest of park (Ore Mill Property) should be considered, especially Anklam Wash. Should be made a designated riparian area, with a wildlife connection provided across Silverbell and a pedestrian walking path that safely crosses Silverbell. It should also be connected to Brichta Wash.

- If golf course is abandoned, wash should be restored through golf course site.
- A large community area should be created, with space for wildlife interpretation and events
- Park should connect to Albertson's shopping center
- City needs to contact all surrounding residents when there is a public meeting
- Parking needs to be redesigned. Doesn't need to go all the way through to the east because it's sometimes used as a cut-through
- Pool needs to be rebuilt, for recreation and therapy (like Reid Park). Menlo park pool is too crowded!!!
- Squirrel problem – overpopulation and holes are unsafe
- Not enough restrooms for events and restrooms are poorly maintained
- Park gets filled on weekends – people come early to reserve ramadas
- Lots of birthday parties and baptism parties
- 4th of July is BIG at the park!
- History of the park should be remembered (1970's protest got ugly and many of those people are still alive)
- Fields should be designed to encourage large groups (cluster configuration of fields)
- Need more ramadas!
- Other ideas:
 - Nice bathrooms
 - Better parking
 - Drinking fountains
 - Neighborhood recycling in the park
 - A health fair
 - Better lighting
 - Make Albertson's clean up their trash
 - Become a partner with Albertson's
 - More shade!!!
 - Wrestling mat
 - BMX / motorcross area
 - bandshell

A "Petition for Park Improvements at Joaquin Murrieta Park and El Rio Golf Course" was circulated by private citizens in February and March of 2013 and 57 signatures were collected.

The following is a list of "Improvements requested" on the petition:

- Improve fields
 - More softball fields
 - Upgrade bathrooms
 - Left field – Field 1 – needs lifting and smoothing – deep left field line
 - Improve all ball fields
 - Kill gophers
 - Fix gates
 - Fix holes in fields
 - Grade batter's box
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January 20, 2013

Dear Mayor Rothschild and Council Members:

As a board member of the Latin American Golf Association and resident of Barrio Hollywood for 26 years I have several concerns regarding the future improvements and planning efforts for Joaquín Murrieta Park and El Rio Golf Course. I attended the public meeting on Wednesday January 16th at 5:30 pm at the El Rio Neighborhood Center and am disappointed in the presentation given to the community.

These points below

The comment card clearly sets the tone to its audience of a mom playing soccer with 2 kids and words that "Your comments Count!", but based on her aggressive rebuttals to comments made it was apparent that she is not open to comment, representing what the public wants, has already made a decision, public comments only count if Romero agrees with them.

It was noted in the meeting that City Golf is an enterprise and Romero has proclaimed that these actions to dismantle Golf are being considered solely for financial reasons. How does Romero justify providing less than full value (+\$12M) to the enterprise for the Civano property and now that Fred Gray and Mike Hayes have El Rio net profitable (YTD November 12) why are Council, City Staff resources, and public funds being wasted on these actions; aren't there higher priorities like job creation for the Council to work on?

The residence and golfers who support El Rio Golf Course maybe silent and not as vocal as the save Fred Enke group but their support is evident in the revenue being reported in the monthly accrual's at El Rio Golf Course.

In my opinion, and those of many others this is a disingenuous and inappropriate attempt from Romero to dismantle golf, use those funds to Murrieta Park and expand to a Super park, build what Romero inappropriately believes is value for HER Ward and would create significant incremental financial burdens for the City of Tucson and general fund. I suggest that Regina Romero be sincere to this delicate situation which may result in living the dream similar to the riots and issues that this community once had until most recently stirred up by Romero; as depicted by the slide show displayed at her meeting. As mentioned by one of the speakers this meeting that this public meeting is playing the golfers against the few residences who's family were part of the 1970 riots and new residence who have recently moved to the area and have been educated in the past and are seeking to live the dream along with Romero.

I understand the events that happened on Aug. 15, 1970 40 years ago and can relate at the time when there were no parks in the area and the Hispanic community felt they were being shafted. Since then there are approximately 26 parks in Ward 1 - Joaquin Murrieta Park/Northwest Park, River View Park, Greaswood Park, Esteven Park, Juhan Park, Menlo Park, Oury Park, Francisco Elias Esquer Park, Budmoore Terrace Park, Sentinel Peak Park, Tumamoc Hill, Pima Community College Track/Field, Ormsby Park, Santa Cruz River Park, San Juan Park, Vista Del Pueblo Park, Julian Wash Archaeological Park, Kennedy Park, La Mar Park, Oak Tree Park, Midvale Park, Mission Manor Park, Manzanita Pool Park, Manzanita District Park, Sweetwater Wetlands Park, and Christopher Columbus Park.

Golf has provided City property sufficient to cover all Debts and Golf is now net profitable, can generate net income/capital improvements to sustain itself. If RFP Management Services come in with bids to continue to keep El Rio as a full 18 holes and First Tee program I am all for it and these courses are most likely to do even better. Perhaps they can even reduce fees, a novel action for the City, which would allow even more residents to participate.

The figures of \$4.7 M presented only showed the cost associated to refurbish Murrieta Park today and had no costs associated with the costs for closing 9 holes down at El Rio and for the ongoing maintenance. There was a comment made by Romero during the public meeting that we are lucky that the City is not closing down the whole course which sounded somewhat like a threat to the golfers and Romero was doing us Golfers a favor. There was then some discussion by Romero with the First Tee executives during the heated discussion and some unprofessional dialog about the contract regarding 9 holes, driving range and office.

Regina Romero needs to stop wasting City resources and public funds (lobbyist/Legal services to interfere with national park service process), and trolley cars, focus her actions to create jobs, generate tax revenues, pave roads, rather than increase general fund debt/load, fees, bonds, tax load on taxpayers.

Closing golf courses that generate revenue result in lost jobs and tax revenues is ludicrous, negligent, and imprudent use of public funds.

Sincerely,



Brichta Neighborhood Association
MEMORANDUM
21 March 2013

TO: Vice Mayor Regina Romero, Tucson City Council, Ward One

**RE: Revised Plan for Development of GI Site on Anklam Wash
across Silverbell Road from Joaquin Murrieta Park as Natural Resource
Park**

FROM: Y

Original Conception

Prior to receiving the Brownfield's grant to assess the soil contamination around the old ore mill on the site northwest of the Silverbell/Speedway intersection known as the GI site, Brichta Neighborhood worked with the surrounding residents and the Tucson Parks Department, who owns the undeveloped land, to reclaim a badly abused parcel of land and create a natural resource park to complement the fully equipped public park at Joaquin Murrieta across Silverbell.

This was to be a minimally equipped walking and educational park for providing native plant and animal information and a demonstration site for erosion control and desert restoration. Parks department landscape architect Rob Just drew up a plan that included ramada-covered viewing decks at the highest elevation where the old mill stood having permanent benches and graphic explanatory legends for the surrounding geographic features and the native plants and animals. An existing gazebo down slope south toward Speedway would be renovated and the path from the Casa de Vida property on speedway repaired and improved and extended to the viewing decks.

Other already existing footpaths connecting the east and west sides of the property would also be improved, and per code, a small parking lot and handicap drop-off would be located at an entrance to the park from North La Cholla Blvd. A paved circle from the entrance around the viewing decks would accommodate wheelchairs and walkers.

The Parks-developed plan named this project the Proposed Painted Hills Natural Resource Park. The neighbors do not feel this an appropriate designation since the site is not in the Painted Hills area and would prefer it be named the Anklam Crown Park.

Necessary Revisions

Several impediments have indefinitely delayed development of this natural resource park the neighborhood has worked so hard for the last seven years. Once

the Brownfields assessment was completed and a remediation plan accepted by the neighbors, we needed to raise at least \$600,000 for the actual mitigation work to be done. None has so far been found, and an original \$200,000 set aside for the park itself had a sunset clause that expired, and the money was awarded to another Parks project.

Then Centurion Management Company for Casa de Colinas Apartment property at 2162 requested a piece of the Parks property along the west boundary at the La Cholla easement for an additional parking lot. The Parks Department traded it for a piece of Casa de Colinas' property in Anklam Wash and a fence and gate preventing apartment residents from driving vehicles onto the Parks land and further damaging it.

That trade effectively removed the piece of land designated for park parking, and we in the neighborhood would like that property compensated for by having the City annex the private property owned by Hoback Properties at 2010 W. Speedway whose owners lost their development permit by illegally destroying valuable saguaro and barrel cacti, ocotillos, and other protected desert plants. We feel the owners should be forced by the City to cede that badly denuded property along the West Speedway scenic drive to become our park's required parking lot and take derelict property in the inner city for LEED-certified redevelopment in exchange. The land is already razed, graded, and terraced, and erosion will wash the loose soil downstream across Silverbell into the Albertson's parking lot if not stabilized soon.

The accompanying diagram of the park indicates in red these boundary realignments for the proposed park, and the other diagram shows the proposed park's proximity to Joaquin Murrieta to which it is connected by our adopted Anklam riparian corridor from Murrieta to Greasewood Park at Speedway and Greasewood.

IRONWOOD HILL DR

GRANT RD

GREASEWOOD RD

SILVERBELL RD

SPEEDWAY BLVD

Prims Community College

Greasewood Park



Brietta Elementary School

City Parks Property



Prims Community College

Brietta Dr

Club View Dr

Joanquim Murietta Park

El Rio Dr

THIN AVENUE GOLF COURSE



100-YR FLOOD LIMITS
(APPROX. LOCATION)

W. WASH - XEROPARIAN
INTERMEDIATE HABITAT

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE
ZONE (DO NOT DISTURB)

R-1

ANKLAM WASH (ERZ)

100-YR FLOOD LIMITS
(APPROX. LOCATION)

R-1

BENCHES (TYP. OF 4)

EXIST. WASH (NO NAME)
XEROPARIAN INTER-
MEDIATE HABITAT

*Tracked to
Contour*

SCENIC OVERLOOK
WITH INTERPRETIVE
DISPLAYS

R-3

PARKING AREA
(± 16 SPACES)

PICNIC SITE (TYP. OF 3)

R-3

± 1/4 MILE PAVED,
ACCESSIBLE TRAIL

EXISTING GAZEBO

Speedway

± 1/2 MILE NATURAL TRAIL
(D.G. OR SIMILAR)

R-1

UNIMPROVED EXISTING TRAILS

R-1

EXISTING MILL SITE

NOTE: ENTIRE SITE IS DESIGNATED HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT ZONE

*owned and
leased by Hotchkiss Properties*

NO SCALE

C.I. = 10'



CONCEPT PLAN

City of Tucson - Dept of Parks & Recreation - Captial Planning & Development Office PROPOSED PAINTED HILLS NATURAL RESOURCE PARK

DATE: 1/17/08
DRAWN BY: JFO
CHECKED BY: MA
PROJECT NO.: NA
PLAN NO.:
SHEET 1 OF 1



Former Ore Mill Property

JOAQUIN MURRIETA NORTHWEST PARK

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EL RIO GOLF COURSE

Explanation

- Fence around Former Ore Mill Site
- Former Ore Mill Property
- Parks and Recreational Properties
- Parcel Boundary

1 inch = 300 feet

0 250 500 1,000 Feet

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Add to Park

Former Ore Mill Site and Nearby Parks Properties

JOAQUIN MURRIETA PARK - COMMENT SHEET

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

Events Currently Held at Murrieta Park / Date of Event:

Family reunion, Easter egg hunts, baseball registration

Organizations Sponsoring Event:

Western Little League

Facilities Used for Event:

Ramadas, Tournaments

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Event:

need meeting rooms, suggest incorporating Bunkie School into a master plan for regional park

Other Events that Could be Held at Park with Improved / Expanded Facilities:

programming for seniors - need exercise program + therapeutic pool.

Suggestions and Other Comments:

walking paths and cross connectivity to hiking paths to Tucson Mountain using anchor walk + Santa Cruz River using Silvercreek walk.



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Events Currently Held at Murrieta Park / Date of Event:

Organizations Sponsoring Event:

Facilities Used for Event:

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Event:

Other Events that Could be Held at Park with Improved / Expanded Facilities:

EL RIO NEIGHBORHOOD FALTIOS, CINCO DE MAYO, 4th OF JULY,
MEMORIAL DAY, LABOR DAY.

Suggestions and Other Comments:



COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

Events Currently Held at Murrieta Park / Date of Event:

Organizations Sponsoring Event:

Facilities Used for Event:

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Event:

Large Ramada for group events that is covered - that includes plug-ins for people to cook

Other Events that Could be Held at Park with Improved / Expanded Facilities:

Suggestions and Other Comments:



JOAQUIN MURRIETA PARK - COMMENT SHEET

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

Events Currently Held at Murrieta Park / Date of Event:

Birthdays, 4th of July, Baptismal parties, etc.

Organizations Sponsoring Event:

Facilities Used for Event:

covered ramadas, bathrooms. unacceptable

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Event:

*therapy & splash family pools, more ramadas,
safer fields for organized play*

Other Events that Could be Held at Park with Improved / Expanded Facilities:

health fairs, blood drives, farmers market

Suggestions and Other Comments:

get it done!



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Events Currently Held at Murrieta Park / Date of Event:

Organizations Sponsoring Event:

Facilities Used for Event:

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Event:

Other Events that Could be Held at Park with Improved / Expanded Facilities

- community gardens, desert ecology field trips, outside 'lab' for Manzo school.

Suggestions and Other Comments:

connectivity w/ exciting washer - ANKLAM WASH → SILVERCROFT WASH

designated wild/green/repair zones
- these zones become educational opportunities for ecological projects/ educational field trips

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

Events Currently Held at Murrieta Park / Date of Event:

Organizations Sponsoring Event:

A Farmers market could be held under a Ramada structure during the week day.

Facilities Used for Event:

Build a walk & nature path around entire perimeter of park starting in S.W. corner.

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Event:

Build a long Ramada (Tiguas style) about 175 ft. long, put an informational board with

ripararian and ecological information

posted and area for nature demonstration like mesquite harvesting of mesquite grove in this area.

Other Events that Could be Held at Park with Improved / Expanded Facilities:

Designate the adjacent Avila Wash as a riparian area to restrict other uses;

Designate the "Former Mill site Property" as a riparian area; the whole

Open the swimming pool



23 acres call it "Sleeping woman" preserve as part of Murrieta Park.

Connect an "one mill site" walkway with Murrieta Park.

⑦ walkway connecting it
to the Murrieta Park.

JOAQUIN MURRIETA PARK - COMMENT SHEET

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Silvercreek, El Rio, Church groups, Company Picnics

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Ramadas, paths, benches

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

Irrigation upgrade, Trees & Vegetation, repurpose what's already there, more playgrounds, basketball court splash pad

Suggestions and Other Comments

Emils.mummy@gmail.com
Please contact Valerie Chandler -

Comfort Memorial Project Trustee. Our group has attempted to develop a portion of the park (Silvercreek Unity Garden) in the past and we are vested in seeing Murrieta improved.



JOAQUIN MURRIETA PARK - COMMENT SHEET

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

Neighborhood Associations: Desert Star

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

A larger work out room is needed with additional up-to-date equipment.

Suggestions and Other Comments

Improved playgrounds are needed. More amenities for kids + families. Educational types of displays are needed. more trees, shade, tables are needed. More green space (grass). Work out stations and walking paths are needed to promote exercise.

~~A lake would be great.~~
A lake would be great, make it cooler in the summer.

explaining what type of visitation we have at parks.



Tucson Parks and Recreation

A train trolley around the park would be nice. Phoenix seems to offer many amenities + services in their parks

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Bucita " my grandkids used pool, playground, baseball fields, picnics "

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

*neighbors for regular exercise that is safe and accessible, * therapy pool & pool for all ages & needs & recreational fun.*

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

not user friendly for walking - too many holes & unevenness for walking safely

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

user friendly for all ages - therapy pool & rec pool family gathers for picnics

Suggestions and Other Comments

Why not create a regional park area & incorporate a facility for all ages to make a community of park friendly use.



NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Residents - Ramadas, enhanced field w/o picnic dog holes; lights

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

to Santa Cruz River
walk paths - connectivity to washes - Silvercrest
and brackets - going west - amber wash(?) -> to Tera Mountain

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

pool - for elder adults therapeutic pool -
need skate park for youth

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

youth programs - Baseball, Soccer.

Suggestions and Other Comments

- need neighborhood meeting space for neighborhood association - suggest connectivity w Brackets + Tully School -
- connectivity w larger area - making Murrieta Park a regional park - 200 acres needed - connect w nearby schools and washes.



NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

~~DO~~ As the existing grounds are in dire need
OF MAINTENANCE or enhancement thru Native
LANDSCAPING this is critical!

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

It also appears that there are many
VACANT areas that could be utilized for
the most sought after improvements as per survey.

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Walk way is there just not maintained
and needs to go around creative park
and connect to any PARK EXPANSION!

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

Pool should be set up for LAP
& Recreational Swimming Path

Suggestions and Other Comments

+ Therapeutic Pool

Park

EXPANSION is needed & CRITICAL!



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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Would be
Wonderful

a walking path that encircles the entire park.
neighbors use for parties / our NA has had
a few pot lucks there / of course baseball etc

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

I believe the pool is an excellent idea
and like the concept of rehab pool + splash ^{pool} included

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

I agree new irrigation / Dark sky friendly lighting

Suggestions and Other Comments

Like the Native Landscaping (Xeriscaping) idea
but would like to salvage existing trees



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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

Suggestions and Other Comments

MY MAIN DESIRE IS THE SWIMMING POOL. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A POOL AREA THAT ACCOMODATES LAP SWIMMING, A POOL FOR SMALL CHILDREN, AND A PART OF THE POOL WHERE ADULTS AND CHILDREN CAN PLAY. I WOULD ALSO LIKE THE CITY TO CONSIDER A NON-CHLORINE CLEANING SYSTEM. I WOULD ALSO RECOMMEND A SHADE SYSTEM FOR THE LEAST PART OF THE POOLS. IF THERE IS ENOUGH MONEY, A THERAPY POOL WOULD BE GREAT.



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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

Walking path with adjacent dirt running path.

Suggestions and Other Comments



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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

More activities for teenagers

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

good swimming pool

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

walking paths

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

Better and more bathrooms

Suggestions and Other Comments

More ramadas

This park is used alot as is.



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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

*Silvercreek N. A. & surrounding neighbors, softball, soccer
church organizations Tully Elem, B+G Clubs*

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

Seniors,

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

picnics, parties, softball, soccer, baseball

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

*swimming pool redone/moved to better location,
kids need pool in summer! Seniors need therapeutic pools*

Suggestions and Other Comments

*MORE RAMADAS, MORE BATHROOMS, IMPROVEMENTS
TO EXISTING BATHAMS*



JOAQUIN MURRIETA PARK - COMMENT SHEET

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

BRICHTA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION hosts its annual summer picnic for 50-75 BRICHTA NEIGHBORHOOD residents at Murrieta Park.

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

Suggestions and Other Comments

It is the suggestion from BRICHTA NEIGHBORHOOD and CITIZENS to RESTORE OUR WASH + NEIGHBORHOODS (C.R.O.W.N.) that the master plan development of the Murrieta Park property include connection to Anklam Wash riparian area (Silverbell Rd to Anklam Road) & the 26-acre Parks and Recreation dedicated open space land. That property →



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is currently under the working title of "Proposed Painted Hills Natural Resource Park - 1/17/06." It represents a 26-acre open space, set aside as open space in a 1992 bond election, and lies north of Speedway Blvd + south of Anklam Wash, bound by Cholla Blvd to the west + Silverbell Road to the east.

More importantly, Anklam Wash is the largest watershed issuing from the Tucson Mts.; it is a significant wildlife area, and is - by its very proximity to Marrieta Park - a natural addition to the park's outdoor areas, representing a significant open area within the city limits. P+R already owns the property. There is the sticky issue of the Brownfields...

Thank you.

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Brighton Neighborhood Residents use Murrieta heavily. We have some of our meetings and potlucks in the ramadas, our school initiated

Neighborhoods / Residents / Organizations that would like to use Murrieta Park

a recycling project at the park, we enjoy family events and sports in the park.

Park / Recreational Facilities Currently Being Used and For What Purpose :

Ramadas, playgrounds, picnic tables, ball fields,

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Neighborhoods and Families

We need a pool and therapy pool for older and disabled people. Our dog owners would like a dog park for the socializing of their pets with people.

Suggestions and Other Comments

We really need to institute permanent recycling at the park with clearly labeled, heavy containers for both trash and recyclables. The Parks Department would see the number of trash collection cut at least in half and the city charges less for recycling collection, which would not add to the total volume of collected material.

In addition to converting to native landscaping except in the playing fields, state-of-the-art water harvesting should be used to maintain the landscaping - cisterns from the Ramadan and restrooms and dog-outs, street run-off directed onto the fields and into natural swales along walking paths.

Nature education opportunities and desert walks can be included in the overall offerings of Murrieta if it were connected by natural walking path across Selverell and up Anklam wash all the way to Greasewood Park, passing the Parker property known as the GI site we would like developed as a natural resource park.

[Please see the attached memo about that proposal.]

With the connecting of Greasewood and Murrieta Parks via Anklam Wash, there would be a corridor of the Tucson Mts watershed would

ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Programs / Leagues / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Programs / Leagues / Organization that would like to use Murrieta Park

Park Facilities / Fields Currently Being Used:

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Program or League

Suggestions and Other Comments

PARKING lot on property not being used
Along Silverbell to close for kids
to play.

would like to see Group Ramada's for Events from
Golf outings.



ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Programs / Leagues / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Tucson Senior Softball League - 28 teams

USA Rules

Programs / Leagues / Organization that would like to use Murrieta Park

Park Facilities / Fields Currently Being Used:

Fields 1 & 2 used Ten months out of year,
plus tournaments.

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Program or League

Add softball field with 300' fence

Fix drainage problems in #1 & #2 fields

Suggestions and Other Comments

Improve parking, improve restrooms,

RAMADA by #1 & #2 fields.



ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Programs / Leagues / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Programs / Leagues / Organization that would like to use Murrieta Park

Park Facilities / Fields Currently Being Used:

baseball

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Program or League

Suggestions and Other Comments

Fix gopher holes and safety issues.
Give us lush grass to play on.



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ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Programs / Leagues / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Programs / Leagues / Organization that would like to use Murrieta Park

Soccer for both youth & adults

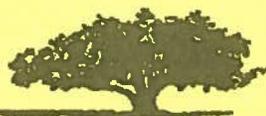
Park Facilities / Fields Currently Being Used:

With baseball & softball usage as high as it is, there is need for more fields

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Program or League

Suggestions and Other Comments

There is a big need for soccer fields -
~~there are no~~



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(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Programs / Leagues / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

Pima County Junior Soccer League
+ Tucson Mountains SFL

Programs / Leagues / Organization that would like to use Murrieta Park

Dedicated Soccer Fields

Park Facilities / Fields Currently Being Used:

minimal use of lighted open space for
soccer practices - but nothing permanent
is available.

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Program or League

Dedicated Soccer Fields with lights

Suggestions and Other Comments

Would like permanent area dedicated to soccer so
we can have children from neighborhood walk
to the park to participate



ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Programs / Leagues / Organizations Currently Using Murrieta Park

WESTERN LITTLE LEAGUE

Programs / Leagues / Organization that would like to use Murrieta Park

WESTERN LITTLE LEAGUE

AZTEC SOCCER

Park Facilities / Fields Currently Being Used:

Baseball #5, 6, 4, 7, 8

Facilities / Improvements Needed to Better Support Program or League

Better Fencing - Water System, Improved Drainage
And Rodent Removal

Suggestions and Other Comments

Better Lighting - Restrooms

350 Children

OVER 25 TEAMS

USSA, LITTLE LEAGUE

Pony LEAGUE



~~LEWIS~~

PROPOSAL FOR A DESERT FOODS INFORMATION STATION ON THE SOUTHERN END OF JOAQUIN MURRIETA PARK

There is much knowledge to be shared on the botanical, nutritional and medicinal value of many of our desert plants. The harvest of native desert foods is becoming more widespread in our community, particularly harvest of mesquite, nopal pads and prickly pear.

I am proposing that Ward I, in collaboration with neighborhood associations and local plant educators, consider an educational innovation in Murrieta Park on North Silverbell between Grant and Speedway. Called the "Desert Plants Neighborhood Information Station", the station would offer adults, youth and children classes and ongoing opportunities to learn about and experience the excitement of harvesting and preparing products from desert foods growing in our neighborhood. On the southern end of Joaquin Murrieta Park, close to the Silverbell side and east of the swimming pool, are about 8-10 large (15 to 25 ft. high) mesquites producing very abundant pods. These trees provide a nicely sheltered area where the information station can be located. The mesquite trees themselves, in a good year, will produce several large barrels of pods for local harvesting.

The following would make up the elements of the station:

One 14' x 4' worktable for classes

One or two 14' long matching benches

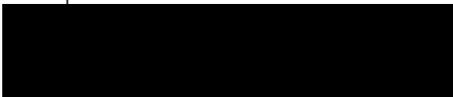
A 5' x 2.5' wooden permanent display board for posting desert food information

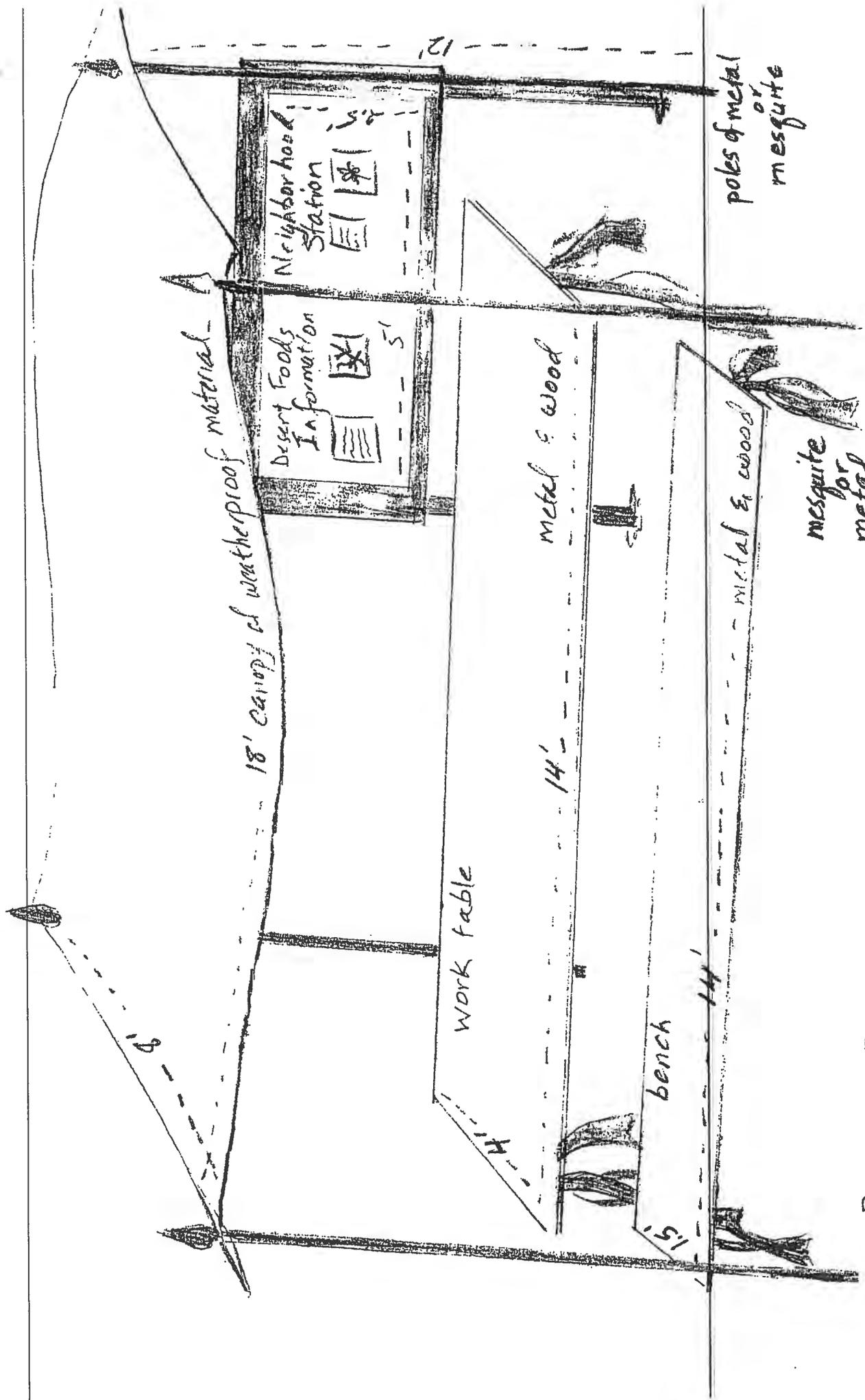
An overhead canopy and four poles, canopy at least 18' x 8' to assure ample shade

Approximate cost: Depends on materials, but under \$4000

Timeline: Spring/summer ~~2012~~ 2013

For inquiries, contact:





18' canopy of weatherproof material

Desert Foods Information

Neighborhood Station

work table

metal & wood

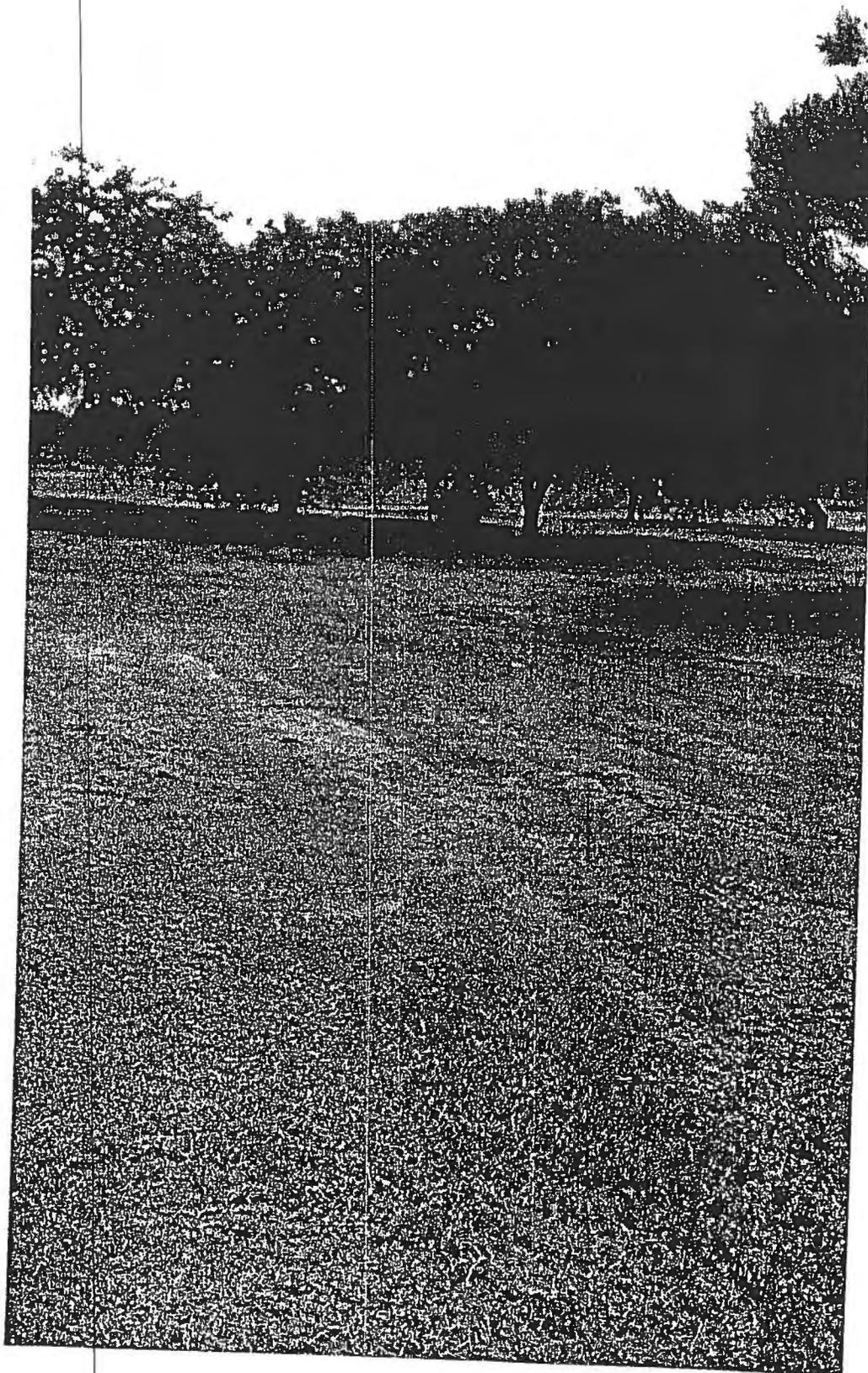
bench

metal & wood

poles of metal or mesquite

mesquite for metal

Desert Foods Information Station, Murrieta Park



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April 30, 2013 Public Meeting**

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(Youth, Adult, Senior)

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION
(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

A NEED SIMILAR TO UDUAL PARK. INCREASE
SPACE FOR A LIBRARY & SOCCER FIELDS
MORE REST ROOM FACILITIES



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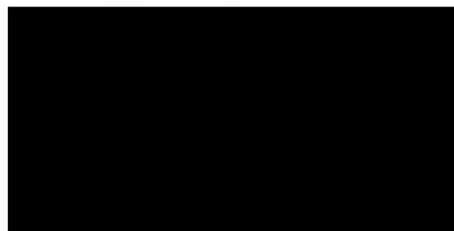
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SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS - Boys & Girls Club of Tucson

Would love to see more parking lot re-done
also grass area south of Boys & Girls Club
could use better upkeep and bleachers. Lightening
would also be GREAT! Thank you very much.



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SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

* Contact me Gloria Mazonedo (Pres of Silvercroft)
for future meetings concerning Silvercroft
Unity Garden development.



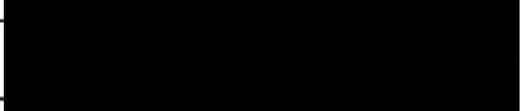
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I was not notified of any meetings concerning Silvercreek Unity Garden. I am very upset about this as I am the neighborhood assoc. Pres & my neighbors were not notified either.

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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

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SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS



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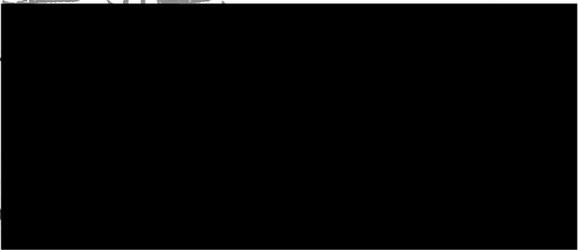
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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION
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COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

Silvercroft unity garden (open to all) irrigation
+ cleanup . Love the suggestions



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ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS
(Youth, Adult, Senior)

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION
(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

We need more Picnic Ramadas.

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

We need more open space Parks with nice grass for children and families to enjoy.

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

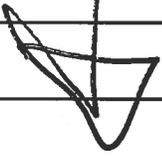
I think we should include the El Rio Golf Course in the Master Plan-



ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS
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NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION
(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)



SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

WE WILL NOT TOLERATE A "BAIT + SWITCH" BY THE CITY OF TUCSON -
WE DO NOT WANT ALL THESE IMPROVEMENTS IF THE EL RIO GOLF COURSE IS SOLD TO A PRIVATE DEVELOPER TO PAY FOR ALL THIS.
THE PUBLIC HAS LEARNED NOT TO TRUST THE CITY & ITS PROMISES THAT ARE NEVER KEPT.
YOU HAVE NO FUNDS TO PAY FOR ANY OF THIS!
STOP TRYING TO FOOL US!



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THE GOLF COURSE IS LOSING MONEY AND YET WE CONTINUE TO SUBSIDIZE GOLF, WE HAVE TO PRIORITIZE OUR SHRINKING TAX RESOURCES. ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS (Youth, Adult, Senior) WE NEED MOR OPEN SPACE PARKS FOR FAMILIES

THE COMMUNITY HAS DEMONSTRATED ITS COMMITMENT TO THESE PROGRAMS BY NOT ONLY PARTICIPATING IN THEM BUT ALSO DIRECTLY FUNDING THEM THROUGH COMMUNITY DRIVEN FUNDRAISING.

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION

(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

* THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT IS NEEDED IN OUR WESTSIDE, CITY PARKS. PICNIC RAMADAS FOR FAMILY AND COMMUNITY GATHERINGS NEED TO BE IMPROVED AND WE NEED MORE.

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

THE COMMUNITY HOLDS NUMEROUS EVENTS ALL YEAR LONG. EL RIO COULD POSSIBLY BETTER SERVE LOCAL RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES AS A PARK THAN A GOLF COURSE.

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

EL RIO GOLF COURSE NEEDS TO BE TURNED INTO A FAMILY PARK FOR ALL CITY TAXPAYERS TO ENJOY. WE DO NOT WANT IT TURNED INTO A PRIVATE ENTITY OF ANY KIND.

* WE DESERVE A PARK FOR ALL NOT A GOLF COURSE FOR THE FEW!



THANK YOU FOR HOSTING THIS MEETING.

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ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS
(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Need soccer fields - more than one @
Tully School - put soccer field south
of Boys Club & on large baseball field
(Soccer Complex at the golf course area)

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION
(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

make dog park area smaller

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

Golf Course to Park not private
university - This area needs to
be served first!

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

Include El Rio Golf Course as part of
the park master plan.
make the plan all at once - not piece meal



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ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS
(Youth, Adult, Senior)

↓ please build a soccer field

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION
(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Fix the pool and irrigation system
all else is secondary

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

walking paths: not asphalt



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ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

(Youth, Adult, Senior)

SOCCER

EXTEND THE FIELD LENGTH SO THAT
THERE IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLACE
3 SHORT SIDED FIELDS

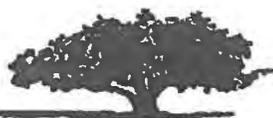
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COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

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SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS



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COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

*Keep in mind section of golf course south of
proposed soccer field to be annexed to J.M. and
used for possible youth football fields. None on
Westside*



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COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
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SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

- 1) Concern about subsidence at pool location?
- 2) potential soccer field @ Tully open for use
~~at~~ lengthy hours restrict to youth soccer?



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COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

GARDEN

Is there an appropriate barrier between garden & dog park? Any concern of feces contamination?

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

Question: when stated ^{that} how El Rio Golf Course has lost millions, how is that determined? Aren't all public facilities, almost by definition, working at a "subsidized" loss? Not sure current golf ~~courses~~ ^{classes} for youth would:



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be available elsewhere
in Tucson at a reasonable
cost if El Rio Golf Course
is sold and/or closed.

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ORGANIZED SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS
(Youth, Adult, Senior)

Take out some baseball fields and add
2 soccer fields

NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY RECREATION
(Playgrounds, Picnic Ramadas, Walking Paths, Aquatic Facilities)

Walking path is great! Add benches along path
for seniors. Best surface is well maintained "dirt"
(stab. d.g. ?)

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
(Neighborhood Picnics, Fundraisers, Performances, etc.)

SUGGESTIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS



**Summary of Comments from
June 10, 2013 Public Meeting**

CONGRATULATIONS ON A GOOD MASTER PLAN.

IN TERMS OF PRIORITIES, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE SWIMMING POOL FIRST.

2.) SOCCER FIELDS AT TULLY

3.) IT SEEMS LIKE THE REST OF THE PLAN, ARE SOMEWHAT DEPENDANT. HOWEVER, I DO LIKE THE COMMUNITY GARDEN, DOG PARK, SILVENCLOFF UNITY AND BASKETBALL COURT. IF THEY CAN BE DONE WITHOUT WORKING ON THE BALL FIELDS.

4.) BALL FIELDS, ETC. LAST.



I WOULD LOVE TO SEE A
PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE ACROSS THE
WALK TO THE ALBOUTSON'S
SHOPPING CENTER. THIS WOULD
ENCOURAGE PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE
TRAFFIC FROM THE EL RIO
NEIGHBORHOOD.



The plan look good.

Maybe do without the dog park

Shame that some people want to hold
Murrieta Park hostage to El Rio
golf course.



- year-round lap pool

- accessibility for bikers, walkers not only cars, please - give ~~them~~ those who use other forms of transportation priority for once

- cover lap pool

- great ideas - thanks! I'm for all suggestions - soccer, baseball fields, pools, dog parks, etc.



M/C need to make all records
about J. Murrieta, El Rio Golf Course
open to the Public.

Need to wait on J. Murrieta
until M/C go back to
Oct 23, '12 decision.

Must complete process of
that (10/23/12) decision
planning. to include
community members from
El Rio Coalition II.

Open records / documents
Keep your promise.



IF THE POOL IS RENOVATED, WILL THE CITY
INCREASE THE BUDGET TO RUN IT ??? MAKES NO
SENSE TO IMPROVE AND NOT BUDGET FOR STAFFING



1) Please remove the dog park altogether

2) Relocate the Covered Basketball Court or make it the originally proposed half-court

Noise
Issues

3) Remove the Batting Cages

4) We need one of the current restrooms to be moved closer to the large group Ramada near Elm

5) The T-ball field is not necessary



~~WAIT~~ WAIT to finish this process until El Rio is included in the master plan. It is wrong to limit the scope of the master plan until the entire space is considered.

Furthermore, the public records regarding El Rio have not been released, and this community process is incomplete without them. The community continues to not be fully informed by the City and the community's distrust ~~at~~ continues.

This must be a good faith process, with open forums and full disclosure of information.



This plan however very nice
should be put on HOLD
UNTIL FULL DISCLOSURE
HAS BEEN MADE AS A RESULT
OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST

MAYOR & COUNCIL will not be
allowed to pacify the community
with phase 1 without
ASSURANCE the inclusion of
EL RIO AS A OPEN, GREEN, &
PUBLIC SPACE.



Mayor & council have to Obey &
follow the Law (ARS 39-121)
& Release the records they
are hiding re: The back room
deals they made with regard to
GCH!!! The Law is clear:
Public records are Public &
cannot be hidden from the
public - see attached, re:
ARS 39-121!



Arizona Revised Statutes:

A.R.S. 39-121.01. Definitions; maintenance of records; copies, printouts or photographs of public records; examination by mail; index

A. In this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Officer" means any person elected or appointed to hold any elective or appointive office of any public body and any chief administrative officer, head, director, superintendent or chairman of any public body.
2. "Public body" means this state, any county, city, town, school district, political subdivision or tax-supported district in this state, any branch, department, board, bureau, commission, council or committee of the foregoing, and any public organization or agency, supported in whole or in part by monies from this state or any political subdivision of this state, or expending monies provided by this state or any political subdivision of this state.

B. All officers and public bodies shall maintain all records, including records as defined in section 41-151.18, reasonably necessary or appropriate to maintain an accurate knowledge of their official activities and of any of their activities which are supported by monies from this state or any political subdivision of this state.

C. Each public body shall be responsible for the preservation, maintenance and care of that body's public records, and each officer shall be responsible for the preservation, maintenance and care of that officer's public records. It shall be the duty of each such body to carefully secure, protect and preserve public records from deterioration, mutilation, loss or destruction, unless disposed of pursuant to sections 41-151.15 and 41-151.19.

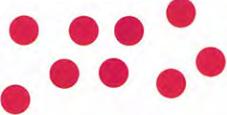
D. Subject to section 39-121.03:

1. **Any person may request to examine or be furnished copies, printouts or photographs of any public record during regular office hours or may request that the custodian mail a copy of any public record not otherwise available on the public body's website to the requesting person.** The custodian may require any person requesting that the custodian mail a copy of any public record to pay in advance for any copying and postage charges. The custodian of such records shall promptly furnish such copies, printouts or photographs and may charge a fee if the facilities are available, except that public records for purposes listed in section 39-122 or 39-127 shall be furnished without charge.
2. If requested, the custodian of the records of an agency shall also furnish an index of records or categories of records that have been withheld and the reasons the records or categories of records have been withheld from the requesting person. The custodian shall not include in the index information that is expressly made privileged or confidential in statute or a court order. This paragraph shall not be construed by an administrative tribunal or a court of competent jurisdiction to prevent or require an order compelling a public body other than an agency to furnish an index. For the purposes of this paragraph, "agency" has the same meaning prescribed in section 41-1001, but does not include the department of public safety, the department of transportation motor vehicle division, the department of juvenile corrections and the state department of corrections.
3. If the custodian of a public record does not have facilities for making copies, printouts or photographs of a public record which a person has a right to inspect, such person shall be granted access to the public record for the purpose of making copies, printouts or photographs. The copies, printouts or photographs shall be made while the public record is in the possession, custody and control of the custodian of the public record and shall be subject to the supervision of such custodian.

E. **Access to a public record is deemed denied if a custodian fails to promptly respond to a request for production of a public record** or fails to provide to the requesting person an index of any record or categories of records that are withheld from production pursuant to subsection D, paragraph 2 of this section.

WAIT

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| Joaquin Murrieta Park Priorities | Vote |
|--|---|
| Aquatics Facility - Swimming/Therapeutic Pool and Splash Park |  |
| Baseball and Softball Fields |  |
| Lighted Soccer Field at Tully Elementary |  |
| Adult Slow-Pitch Softball |  |
| Family Recreation and Walking Path - Playground Improvements - Picnic Areas / Ramadas / Play Structures |  |
| Covered Basketball Court |  |
| Joaquin Murrieta Plaza - Large and Small Group Ramada Event Area and Outdoor Performance Area |  |
| Environmental Education Area |  |
| Dog Park | |
| Community Garden | |
| Silvercroft Unity Park |  |