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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

NO. 19-042

DATE February 20, 2019

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ELYSIAN PARK – APPROVAL OF SCOPE OF WORK FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS: ELYSIAN PARK - COMMUNITY GARDEN SITE SECURITY PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – SOLANO CANYON SYNTHETIC SOCCER FIELD AND RESTROOM UPGRADE PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – SOLANO CANYON UNIVERSAL ACCESS PLAYGROUND, FITNESS EQUIPMENT, PICNIC AREA AND NEW RESTROOM PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – RIVERSIDE EXTENSION (WALNUT HILL) NEW RESTROOM AND TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – MORTON/ACADEMY OFF STREET PARKING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – CHAVEZ RIDGE DISC GOLF ADDITION PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – BUENA VISTA POINT DISC GOLF AND PICNIC AREA PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – NORTH BROADWAY PARK ENTRY LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – VICTORY MEMORIAL GROVE PATHWAY AND LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – CAROB GROVE DOG PARK AND PICNIC AREA PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – ADMINISTRATION/MAINTENANCE BUILDING STORAGE AREA ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – URBAN FOREST PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – UPDATE DRAFT MASTER PLAN PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – PARK RANGER PROJECT; ELYSIAN PARK – ADAPTIVE RECREATION CENTER BUILDING AND OUTDOOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(1) [INTERIOR OR EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS WHERE THERE BE NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE]; CLASS 1(3)[MINOR ALTERATIONS OF EXISTING STREET AND PEDESTRIAN TRAILS]; CLASS 2(3) [REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING FACILITIES]; CLASS 3(6) [NEW CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES] AND CLASS 4(3) [NEW LANDSCAPING] OF CITY OF LOS ANGELES CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301(a) AND (c), SECTION 15302(c), SECTION 15303(e), SECTION 15304(b), AND SECTION 15311(a) OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE CEQA GUIDELINES;

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*R. Barajas	_____	S. Piña-Cortez	_____
H. Fujita	_____	N. Williams	<u>NDW</u>



General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

With the Modification of the additional language "which may include the removal of dead trees" as noted in the Report

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the Elysian Park Improvements as listed in Attachment No. 1 to this Report;
2. Find that the proposed Projects in Attachment No. 1 are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and direct staff to file the Notices of Exemption (NOE);
3. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to prepare eleven (11) checks to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) each for the purpose of filing the NOE;
4. Approve the scope of work for the Elysian Park – Park Rangers;
5. Approve the scope of work for the Elysian Park – Urban Forest Project; **which may include the removal of dead trees;**
6. Approve the scope of work for the Elysian Park – Update Draft Master Plan Project;
7. Approve the scope of work for the Elysian Park – Adaptive Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Improvements Project; and,
8. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee or designee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Elysian Park is located at 929 Academy Road and is bordered by the Echo Park, Angelino Heights, Chavez Ravine, Solano Canyon, Chinatown, Lincoln Heights, Cypress Park and Elysian Valley communities of the City. Elysian Park covers 563 acres of parkland and provides a wide array of recreational activities for the use of the surrounding community. An estimated 9,712 City residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of Elysian Park. Due to the size of the park and to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Elysian Park meets the standard for a Regional Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

On July 13, 2016, the Board approved the execution of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between RAP and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) for the transfer of Twelve Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$12,500,000) from LADWP to RAP (Board Report 16-165). The funding is for park enhancements in the Elysian Park area.

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PROJECT SCOPE:

Various projects were identified in partnership with the community and stakeholders, Council District 1 and Council District 13. The proposed projects described below are the top priorities supported by the community and stakeholders.

The scopes of work are as follows:

- Elysian Park – Community Garden Site Security Project proposes the replacement of two (2) existing gates and sections of the fencing. Two (2) new gates, fencing and an accessible entryway will be provided.
- Elysian Park – Solano Canyon Synthetic Soccer Field and Restroom Project proposes the installation of a new synthetic soccer field over an existing turf field including installation of site furnishings, such as, bleachers and shade structures, and improvements to provide accessible path of travel, renovation of existing restroom, and adjustments to the existing landscape and irrigation to accommodate the synthetic field.
- Elysian Park – Solano Canyon Universal Access Playground, Fitness Equipment, Picnic Area and Restroom Project proposes the removal of the old playgrounds and picnic area, the construction of a new Universal Access Playground (UAP), construction of new picnic area with shade structure, installation of a fitness equipment area with shade structure, construction of a new restroom, improvements to provide accessible path of travel to all new amenities, and adjustments to the existing landscape and irrigation to accommodate the new improvements.
- Elysian Park – Riverside Extension New Restroom and Trail Improvements Project proposes the installation of a new pre-fabricated restroom structure at the site entry near the existing basketball court and the improvements to the existing trails. The existing trail will be refurbished and extended up the hillside to connect with Landa Street.
- Elysian Park – Morton/Academy Off Street Parking Improvements Project proposes the reconfiguration of the maintenance road at the junction of Morton Avenue and Academy Road to accommodate organized parking spaces on both sides of the maintenance road including appropriate parking signage and path of travel.
- Elysian Park – Chavez Ridge Disc Golf Addition Project proposes to add ten (10) new targets and tees to the existing seventeen (17) target disc golf course, bringing the total number of targets to twenty-seven (27).
- Elysian Park – Buena Vista Point Disc Golf and Picnic Area Project proposes to construct a new fourteen (14) target disc golf course at Buena Vista Point and renovate the picnic areas along Buena Vista Drive.
- Elysian Park – North Broadway Park Entry Landscape Beautification Project proposes the renovation of the existing landscape at the North Broadway entry. The project proposes to restore the historic character of this entrance to Elysian Park, adjust the irrigation

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system, repair the existing masonry wall, reconstruct the pathway, provide signage and renovate the existing monument.

- Elysian Park – Victory Memorial Grove Pathway and Landscape Improvements Project proposes pathway refurbishment, landscape and path of travel improvements.
- Elysian Park – Carob Grove Dog Park and Picnic Area Project proposes the construction of a large and small dog parks, a picnic area, shade structure, path of travel, parking lot upgrade, trail construction, irrigation adjustments and appropriate signage.
- Elysian Park – Administration/Maintenance Building Storage Area Roof Replacement Project proposes the repair of an existing damaged metal roof including the structural support.
- Elysian Park – Park Rangers proposes the staffing of two (2) park rangers at Elysian Park providing security support for 3 years.
- Elysian Park – Urban Forest Project proposes the assessment, survey and analysis of existing tree conditions; and development of a plan for re-forestation of Elysian Park, **which may include the removal of dead trees**
- Elysian Park – Update Draft Master Plan proposes to reengage with the community to update the 2007 Draft Elysian Park Master Plan to include with current community desires for the park and to better reflect the current conditions of the park.
- Elysian Park – Adaptive Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Improvements Project proposes the renovation of the interior of existing building with a Community Room and Park Ranger Office, adding an exterior pre-fabricated restroom building, construction of an outdoor basketball court, splash pad, skate park and paths of travel.

PROJECT FUNDING

Funding for all the proposed projects are from the Community Parks Enhancement Fund as stated in the executed MOU (Attachment 2). This funding has been received by RAP Accounting Division and is placed in Account 205/88/88NMAH. LADWP’s Board of Commissioners realized that their change in plans for the operation of the reservoir in Elysian Park resulted in the loss of planned open space and recreational activities for the community. Therefore, the LADWP Board of Commissioners awarded this funding to RAP for recreational improvements and beautification projects in the park.

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Community Parks Enhancement Fund	205/88/88NMAH	\$12,500,000.00	100%
Total		\$12,500,000.00	100%

RAP staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the construction of these Elysian Park Projects.

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TREES AND SHADE

The Urban Forest Project will provide RAP with information regarding the existing condition of the trees at Elysian Park and a plan to move forward with appropriate tree planting throughout Elysian Park., **which may include the removal of dead trees.**

The Solano Canyon Synthetic Soccer Field, Solano Canyon Universal Access Playground and Carob Grove Dog Parks Projects propose to include shade structures in the project.

OUTREACH

The proposed projects were presented at the following community meetings:

- February 10, 2018 – Recreation and Parks Community Presentation at Grace E. Simons Lodge in Elysian Park.
- May 2, 2018 – Citizens Committee to Save Elysian Park Committee Meetings at Echo Park Library
- August 30, 2018 – Solano Canyon Community Meeting at St. Peter’s Italian Catholic Church in Chinatown
- October 3, 2018 – Citizens Committee to Save Elysian Park Committee meetings at Echo Park Library

The projects were well received by attendees at all meetings. Councilmember Cedillo (CD 1) and Councilmember O’Farrell (CD 13) are in agreement and support the projects.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Staff recommends that the Board determine that projects as listed in the table below are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the following class and categories of Article III, Section 1 of the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines and the following sections of Article 19 of California CEQA Guidelines:

Project name	Type of Action	Article III, Section 1 City CEQA Guidelines	Article 19 California CEQA Guidelines
Community Garden Site Security Project;	Removal and replacement of existing structures with new structures of the same size	2(3)	15302(c)
Elysian Park – Solano Canyon Synthetic Soccer Field and Restroom Upgrade Project;	Alternations of existing structures with negligible or no expansion of use; minor alternations of existing pedestrian trails;	1(1); 1(3); 3(6)	15301(a), (c); 15303(e)

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Project name	Type of Action	Article III, Section 1 City CEQA Guidelines	Article 19 California CEQA Guidelines
	and new installation of accessory structures.		
Elysian Park – Solano Canyon Universal Access Playground, Fitness Equipment, Picnic Area and New Restroom Project;	Minor alterations of existing pedestrian trails, removal and replacement of existing structures with new structures of substantially the same size and installation of new accessory structures.	1(3); 2(3); 3(6)	15301(c); 15302(c); 15303(e)
Elysian Park – Riverside Extension (Walnut Hill) New Restroom and Trail Improvements Project;	Minor alterations of existing pedestrian trails; and installation new accessory structures.	1(3); 3(6)	15301(c); 15303(e)
Elysian Park – Morton/Academy Off Street Parking Improvements Project;	Minor alterations of existing streets	1(3)	15301(c)
Elysian Park – Chavez Ridge Disc Golf Addition Project;	Alterations of existing structures with negligible or no expansion use	1(1)	15301(a)
Elysian Park – Buena Vista Point Disc Golf and Picnic Area Project;	Installation of new accessory structures.	3(6)	15303(e)
Elysian Park – North Broadway Park Entry Landscape Beautification Project;	Alterations of existing structures with negligible or no expansion of use, minor alternations of pedestrian trails, new landscaping, on premise signs	1(1)(3); 4(3); 11(1)	15301(a)(c); 15304(b); 15311(a)
Elysian Park – Victory Memorial Grove Pathway and Landscape Improvements Project;	Minor alternations of existing pedestrian trails and new landscaping	1(3); 4(3)	15301(a); 5304(b)
Elysian Park – Carob Grove Dog Park and Picnic Area Project;	Installation of new accessory structures	3(6)	15303(e)

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Project name	Type of Action	Article III, Section 1 City CEQA Guidelines	Article 19 California CEQA Guidelines
Elysian Park – Administration/ Maintenance Building Storage Area Roof Replacement Project.	Alterations of existing structures with negligible or no expansion of use	1(1)	15301(a)

Elysian Park – Urban Forest Project and Elysian Park – Update Draft Master Plan Project are not subject to CEQA determinations, pursuant to Article II, Section 2, Class (d) of City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines and Elysian Park – Park Ranger Project is not subject to CEQA determination pursuant to Article II, Section 2, Class (f) of City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines.

The Elysian Park – Adaptive Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Improvements Project is planned to start design upon approval of this report. Once the detailed scope of work has been defined, the project will proceed with a CEQA analysis and staff will return to the Board for approval of a CEQA determination for this project.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The approval of these projects will have no fiscal impact on RAP’s General Fund. The costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are to be funded by the Community Park Enhancements Fund from LADWP.

This Report was prepared by Tom Gibson, Landscape Architect II, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment No. 1 – List of Projects
- Attachment No. 2 – Memorandum of Understanding
- Attachment No. 3 – Elysian Reservoir Community Parks Enhancement Fund Quarterly Report
- Attachment No. 4 – RAP Staff Community Presentation

Department of Recreation and Parks
Planning, Maintenance and Construction
Elysian Park
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Projects

List of Projects
February 15, 2019

- A. Elysian Park – Community Garden Site Security Project
- B. Elysian Park – Solano Canyon Synthetic Soccer Field and Restroom Upgrade Project
- C. Elysian Park – Solano Canyon Universal Access Playground, Fitness Equipment, Picnic Area and Restroom Project
- D. Elysian Park – Riverside Extension New Restroom and Trail Improvements Project
- E. Elysian Park – Morton/Academy Off Street Parking Improvements Project
- F. Elysian Park – Chavez Ridge Disc Golf Addition Project
- G. Elysian Park – Buena Vista Point Disc Golf and Picnic Area Project
- H. Elysian Park – North Broadway Park Entry Landscape Beautification Project
- I. Elysian Park – Victory Memorial Grove Pathway and Landscape Improvements Project
- J. Elysian Park – Carob Grove Dog Park and Picnic Area Project
- K. Elysian Park – Administration/Maintenance Building Storage Area Roof Replacement Project

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS
AND THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER
FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
COMMUNITY PARKS ENHANCEMENT FUND**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made and entered into by and between the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, hereinafter referred to as "LARAP," and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, hereinafter referred to as "LADWP," and is set forth as follows:

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, LADWP proposed the Elysian Reservoir Water Quality Improvement Project (ERWQIP), in order to ensure the quality, reliability, and stability of the City of Los Angeles (City) drinking water supply and comply with updated United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) water quality standards;

WHEREAS, the ERWQIP proposed a new, buried, concrete-covered reservoir along with two alternative projects (floating cover and aluminum cover) to replace the existing uncovered Elysian Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, LADWP Board of Commissioners (Board) certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the ERWQIP and approved the floating cover alternative, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

WHEREAS, Board established a Community Parks Enhancement Fund in the amount of \$12,500,000 (\$12.5 million) in conjunction with the ERWQIP; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Community Parks Enhancement Fund is to provide community park enhancements for public purposes within the Elysian Park area or comparable urban areas; and

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2012, the City Council adopted Elysian Reservoir Water Quality Improvement Project in Council File Number 12-0761; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to Council File Number 12-0761 was also approved, which stated that the Community Parks Enhancement Fund was not incorporated into the ERWQIP mitigation measures, but that it would be used to provide community park enhancements for public purposes to improve aesthetic and recreational opportunities within the Elysian Park area or comparable urban areas;

WHEREAS, LARAP will provide informational reports on all proposed and ongoing projects to the LADWP's Board of Water and Power Commissioners ("Board") on a quarterly basis until the Community Parks Enhancement Fund is exhausted.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the benefits which will accrue to the parties hereto in carrying out the terms and conditions of this MOU, it is understood and agreed, by and between the parties hereto, as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – SECTION HEADINGS

All titles, subtitles, and/or section headings appearing herein have been inserted for convenience and shall not be deemed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning, intent or construction of any of the terms or provisions hereof. The singular shall include the plural; use of the feminine, masculine, or neuter genders shall be deemed to include the genders not used.

ARTICLE 2 – DEFINITIONS

CPEF	Community Parks Enhancement Fund, as adopted by LADWP Board of Commissioners on April 17, 2012
ERWQIP	Elysian Reservoir Water Quality Improvement Project, passed on December 11, 2012, in Council File Number 12-0761, in addition to any amendments.
LADWP	City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
LARAP	City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MOU Date	Date when this MOU is fully executed

ARTICLE 3 – PURPOSE

The goal of this Community Parks Enhancement Fund (CPEF) is to provide community park enhancements for public purposes within the Elysian Park area or comparable urban areas to address and improve certain aesthetic needs and recreational opportunities. Initiated in conjunction with ERWQIP, CPEF will provide needed park enhancements through LARAP. A paragraph from associated LADWP Resolution No. 012 225 states the following:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, the Board hereby approves the establishment of a \$12.5 million Community Parks Fund (the Fund). The Fund will be used of the public purposes related to community parks, though no specific purposes are established at this time. Best efforts shall be used to located (sic) enhancements in the Elysian Park area. However, if no suitable enhancements can be located in the Elysian Park area, best efforts shall be used to locate enhancements in a comparable urban area or areas. Future proposed appropriations from the Fund will be fully evaluated under CEQA before any projects funded by such appropriations are approved. The Board hereby finds that the establishment of the Fund will not create any different or substantially more severe environmental impacts for those examined in the EIR, does not constitute "significant new information" as that term is defined under CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5 and would not otherwise require recirculation of the EIR."

LADWP will transfer funds to LARAP pursuant to its authorizing Resolution No. 012 225 requesting LADWP to transfer \$12.5 million for the Community Parks Funds with the goal of prioritizing opportunities identified in the Draft Elysian Park Master Plan.

All CPEF funds shall be expended in accordance with LADWP Resolution No. 012 225.

All CPEF projects shall consider and implement water conservation features, to the extent appropriate and feasible.

The CPEF amount will be obtained from the LADWP Water System Revenue Fund, specifically the ERWQIP. It will be made available upon approval of this MOU and appropriate payment processing procedures.

3.1 Payment

LADWP shall provide LARAP funds according to the following terms and conditions:

3.1.1 Single Payment

A single payment in the amount noted above will be made via interdepartmental transfer upon LADWP's receipt and approval of LARAP's request for payment. The Accounts Payable Manual Voucher IT system will be used for the inter-city fund transfer and accountability.

3.2 Limitations on Use of Funds

Funds will be utilized for community park enhancement projects for a public purpose within the Elysian Park area or comparable urban areas under the

discretion of LARAP. LARAP will consult with appropriate city council districts to select CPEF projects, determine necessary budgets, and estimate delivery schedules.

ARTICLE 4 – SCOPE OF SERVICES

4.1 Responsibilities and Tasks to be Performed by LADWP

4.1.1 Transfer of Funds

LADWP's sole responsibility under this MOU shall be to transfer funds to LARAP, as requested by Los Angeles City Council and as authorized by the Board of Water and Power Commissioners. The transfer of funds will occur as soon as possible, following execution of this MOU. A current estimate for fund availability is approximately March 31, 2016.

4.2 Responsibilities and Tasks to be Performed by LARAP

4.2.1 Project Development

LARAP resources shall be used to develop and accomplish the identified enhancement projects in a timely manner. LARAP shall initially select projects and shall then consult with appropriate city council districts to select additional and/or replacement projects.

4.2.2 Management of Funds

LARAP shall be fully responsible for the management of funds and accountability of expenditures. LARAP shall provide annual accounting to LADWP that fully describes all projects and expenditures.

4.2.3 Use of Funds

Funds shall be expended as defined in this MOU and as intended and approved by Resolution No. 012 225.

4.2.4 Duty to Provide Maintenance

All CPEF projects and/or enhancements shall be maintained in accordance with LARAP maintenance standards.

4.2.5 Progress Reporting

LARAP shall provide informational reports on all proposed and ongoing projects to the LADWP's Board on a quarterly basis, beginning July 1, 2016 and

continuing until the projects are completed, funds are exhausted or this MOU is terminated. All informational reports shall be agendaized and presented during regular public Board meetings. All reports shall include project descriptions, location maps, schedules, completion dates, and expenditures. LARAP shall coordinate all presentation of all informational reports with LADWP staff.

4.2.6 CEQA

LARAP shall be responsible for all CEQA compliance for any CPEF projects.

ARTICLE 5 – TERM OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The parties' obligation hereunder shall commence on the MOU Date.

ARTICLE 6 – TERMINATION

LADWP will commence termination of this MOU should LARAP fail to abide by any of the terms in this MOU, or should LARAP fail to create the agreed upon enhancements, in conformity with this MOU. In the event this MOU is terminated, LARAP shall immediately refund any unused CPEF funds to LADWP.

ARTICLE 7 – COMPENSATION AND PAYMENTS

7.1 No MOU Fees and Adjustments

LARAP shall not compensate LADWP for services rendered under this MOU, or in accordance with any prior agreement. LADWP shall not compensate LARAP for the services rendered under this MOU, or in accordance with any prior agreement.

ARTICLE 8 – CHANGES OR MODIFICATION

Changes or modifications to MOU terms may be made at any time by mutual written agreement between the parties hereto with approval of LARAP and LADWP.

ARTICLE 9 – CONTACT PERSONS - PROPER ADDRESSES - NOTIFICATION

9.1 Representatives of the Parties

The representatives of the parties to administer this MOU and to whom all notices and communications shall be given are as follows:

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9.2 Notices

All notices shall be made in writing or by e-mail transmission and sent to the designated contact persons for each party identified in Section 9.1 of this MOU. If the name or address of the person designated to receive notice changes, written notice shall be forwarded to the appropriate agency section and contact person of equal responsibility.

ARTICLE 10 – SEVERABILITY

Should any portion of this MOU be determined to be void or unenforceable, such shall be severed from the whole and the MOU will continue as modified.

ARTICLE 11 – ENTIRE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This MOU contains all of the agreements, representations, and understandings of the parties hereto and supersedes and/or incorporates any previous understandings, proposals, commitments or agreements, whether oral or written, and may be modified or amended only as herein before provided.

ARTICLE 12 – GOVERNING LAW

Each party's performance hereunder shall comply with all applicable laws of the United States of America, the State of California, and City of Los Angeles. This MOU shall be governed by, enforced, and interpreted under the laws of the State of California and City of Los Angeles. Each party shall comply with new, amended, or revised laws, regulations, and/or procedures that apply to the performance of this MOU.

If any part, term or provision of this MOU shall be held void, illegal, unenforceable, or in conflict with any law of a federal, state, or local government having jurisdiction over this MOU, the validity of the remaining portions of provisions shall not be affected thereby.

ARTICLE 13 - WAIVER

A waiver of a default of any part, term or provision of this MOU shall not be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or as a waiver of the part, term or provision itself. A party's performance after the other party's default shall not be construed as a waiver of that default.

ARTICLE 14 - INDEMNIFICATION

It is understood and agreed that the Los Angeles City Council, by action of Council File 12-0761, as amended, stated in part that the LADWP, a proprietary department of the City of Los Angeles, shall be indemnified from and against any loss or liability arising from acts or omissions of a non-proprietary department, including the LARAP, its employees or contractors, while the non-proprietary department is performing services for the proprietary department, when such loss or liability would not have occurred or accrued absent the non-proprietary department's performance of such services on the proprietary department's premises.

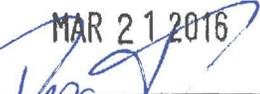
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this MOU on the date below their signatures.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES BY
BOARD OF WATER AND POWER COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

By: 
MARCIE L. EDWARDS
General Manager

Date: 3/22/16

And: 
BARBARA E. MOSCHOS
APPROVED AS ~~Secretary~~ LEGALITY
MICHAEL N. FEUER, CITY ATTORNEY

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BY 
DAVID EDWARDS
DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY

LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF
RECREATION AND PARKS

By: 
MICHAEL A. SHULL
General Manager

Date: 9/1/16

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Elysian Reservoir Community Parks Enhancement Fund Quarterly Report Summary

September 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018

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Summary Update

Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) have been in communication with the offices of Council District 1 and Council District 13 in identifying the various projects for Elysian Park. Various projects have been recommended by both council offices.

RAP management staff have also met with the Citizens Committee to Save Elysian Park and they have provided their input for the RAP's consideration.

RAP staff is currently working with the various stakeholders, reviewing the list of proposed projects, and community meetings were held February 2018, May 2018, and August 2018 to present the various project and solicit community input.



Community Meeting

Photos from the community meeting held on February 10, 2018.



Elysian Reservoir Community Parks
● Enhancement Fund
Quarterly Report Summary



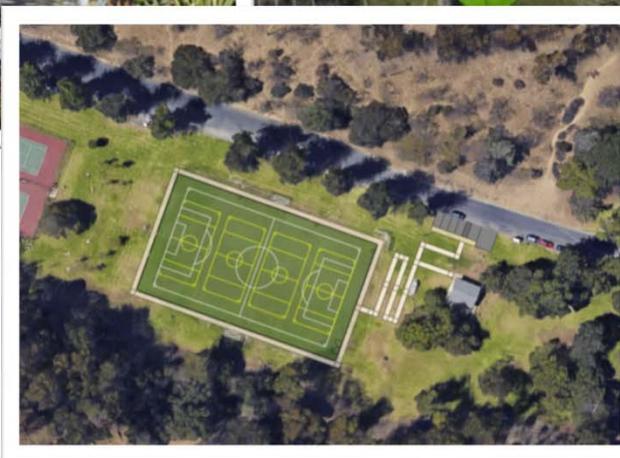
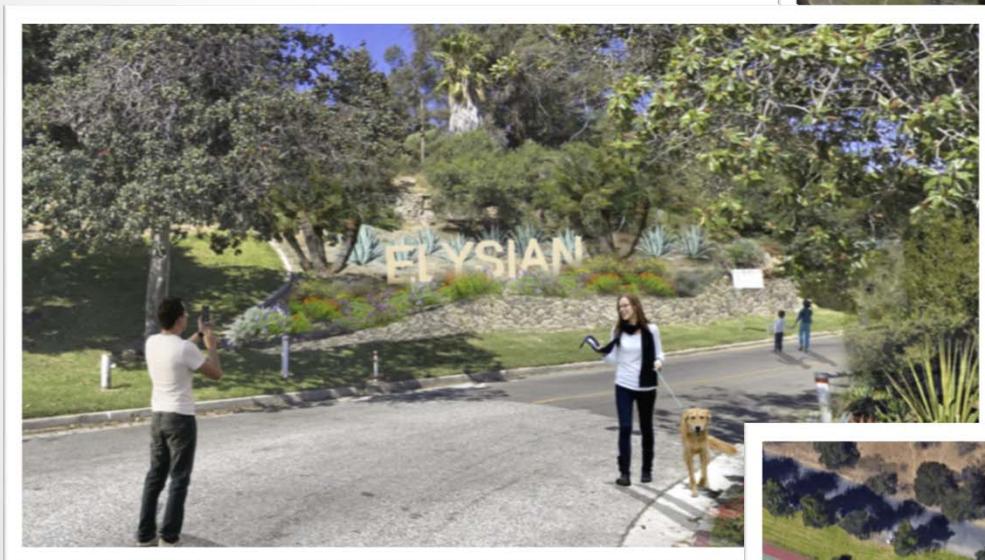
Projects

To date, over 25 projects have been recommended for funding by the council offices and community groups. Of these, the top projects will be recommended for approval to the Board of Recreation and Parks.



Project Concepts

The following are a few examples of the project concepts. The complete project concepts presented to the community is in the attached presentation.



Elysian Reservoir Community Parks
● Enhancement Fund
Quarterly Report Summary



Elysian Park Vision Plan

In order to continue a cohesive effort to deliver well thought out projects for the park, Recreation and Parks (RAP) is working to update the 2007 draft Elysian Park Master Plan. Updating the vision plan proposes to better reflect the current conditions of the park and provide a path forward for future project identification, prioritization, and implementation.

To update the master plan, RAP is working with the Bureau of Engineering to bring on board a consultant team to facilitate the review of the current draft plan, the assessment of the of projects previously identified and implemented, and assist in the community outreach efforts.



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**PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
FEBRUARY 10, 2018**



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In consultation with Council Districts 1 and 13
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ELYSIAN PARK IMPROVEMENT LOCATIONS

WALNUT HILL AT
ELYSIAN PARK

MORTON /
ACADEMY / FIRE RD.

VICTORY MEMORIAL
GROVE



ADAPATIVE
RECREATION CENTER
MAINTENANCE OFFICE

SOLANO CANYON

CHAVEZ RIDGE

CAROB GROVE

COMMUNITY GARDEN

BUENA VISTA POINT

NORTH BROADWAY

PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

- **North Broadway** - Park Entry Landscape Beautification
- **Community Garden** - Site Security
- **Buena Vista Point** - New Disc Golf and Picnic Area
- **Chavez Ridge** - Disc Golf Addition
- **Carob Grove** - New Dog Park and Picnic Area
- **Administration/Maintenance Building** - Storage Area Roof Replacement
- **Solano Canyon** - New Synthetic Soccer Field and Restroom Upgrade
- **Solano Canyon** - New Universal Access Playground, Fitness Equipment, Picnic Area and Restroom
- **Adaptive Recreation Center** - Renovate Existing Building with Community Room and Ranger Office. Add New Exterior Restroom Building, Outdoor Basketball Court, Splashpad, and Skate Park
- **Walnut Hill at Elysian Park - Riverside Drive** - New Restroom, Improve Hiking Trails
- **Morton/Academy/Fire Road** - Improve Off Street Parking and Signage
- **Victory Memorial Grove** - Site Improvements and Planting
- **Elysian Park Urban Forest** - Tree Inventory, Assessment and Reforestation Plan
- **Elysian Park** - Staff 2 Park Rangers Dedicated to Elysian Park with Security Support for 3 Years
- **Elysian Park** - Update Draft Master Plan for Adoption by RAP Board of Commissioners

NORTH BROADWAY ENTRY CURRENT VIEW



NORTH BROADWAY ENTRY EXISTING STREET VIEW



NORTH BROADWAY ENTRY PROPOSED LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION



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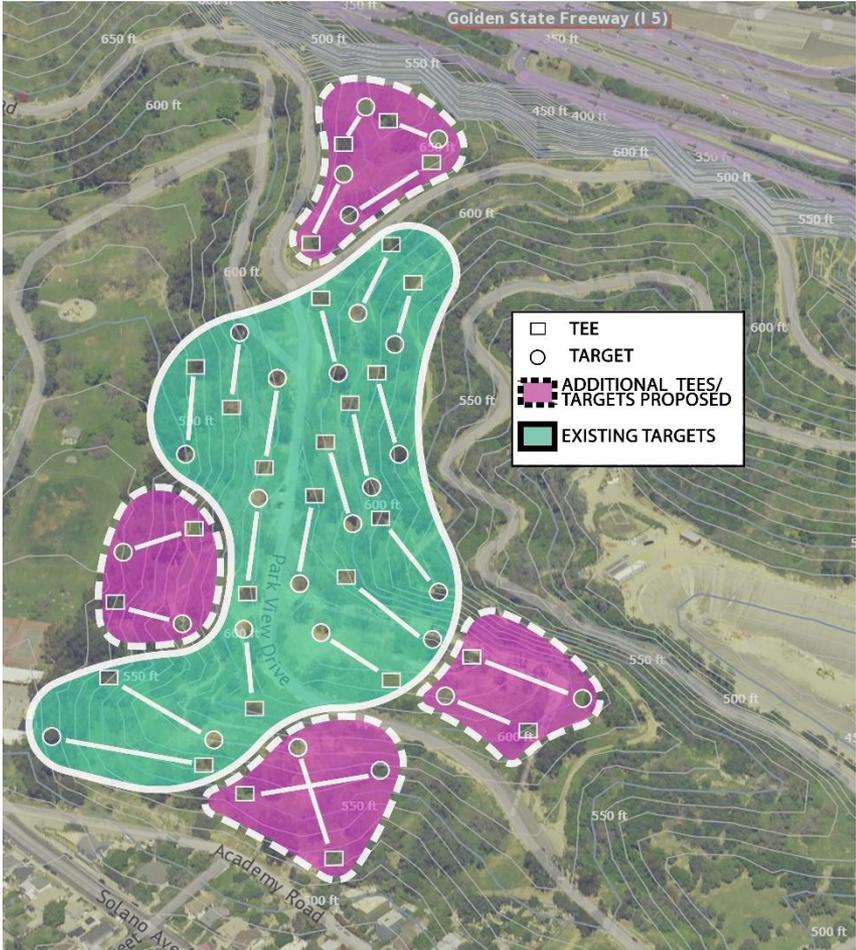
COMMUNITY GARDEN INSTALL SITE SECURITY GATE & FENCING



BUENA VISTA POINT NEW DISC GOLF AND PICNIC AREA



CHAVEZ RIDGE DISC GOLF ADDITION



CAROB GROVE DOG PARK AND PICNIC AREA



ADMINISTRATION/MAINTENANCE BUILDING STORAGE AREA ROOF REPLACEMENT



DAMAGED ROOF

SOLANO CANYON SYNTHETIC SOCCER FIELD AND RESTROOM IMPROVEMENTS



1. U – 10 SOCCER FIELD
2. BLEACHERS WITH SHADE
3. ACCESS PATHWAY
4. UPDATED RESTROOM
5. PARKING
6. DRINKING FOUNTAIN

SOLANO CANYON CONCEPT #1

NEW UNIVERSAL ACCESS PLAYGROUND, FITNESS EQUIPMENT, PICNIC AREA AND RESTROOM



1. RESTROOM
2. PICNIC AREA
3. U.A.P.
PLAYGROUND
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5. FITNESS AREA
6. EXISTING
TREES, TYP.

SOLANO CANYON CONCEPT #2

NEW UNIVERSAL ACCESS PLAYGROUND, FITNESS EQUIPMENT, PICNIC AREA AND RESTROOM



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SOLANO CANYON CONCEPT #3

NEW UNIVERSAL ACCESS PLAYGROUND, FITNESS EQUIPMENT, PICNIC AREA AND RESTROOM



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ADAPTIVE RECREATION CENTER



Renovate Existing Building with Community Room and Park Ranger Office.

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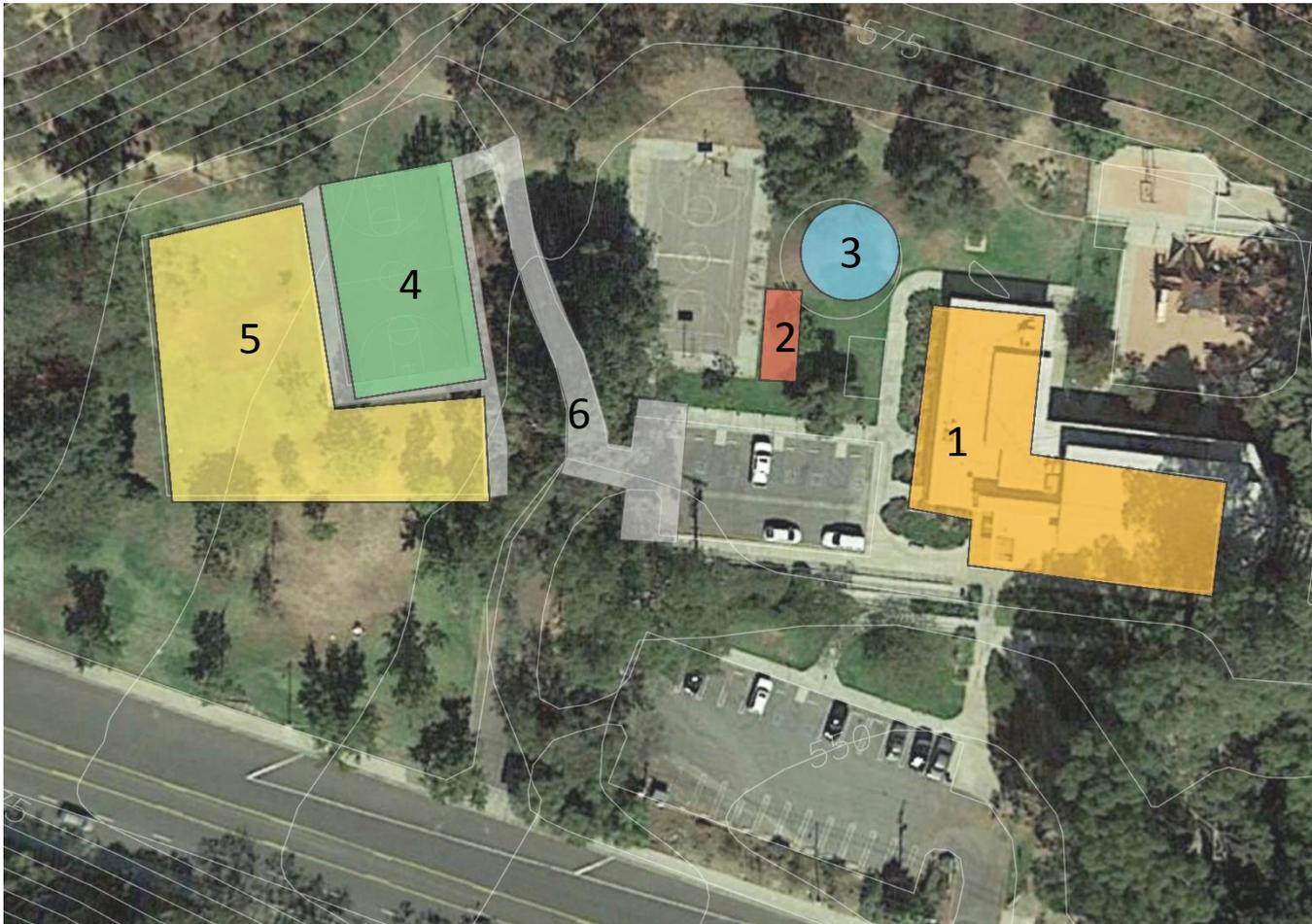
- New Exterior Restroom Building
- Outdoor Basketball Court
- Splash Pad
- Skate Park

ADAPTIVE RECREATION CENTER PRELIMINARY CONCEPT #1



1. BUILDING
INCL. RANGER
OFFICE &
COMMUNITY
ROOM
2. RESTROOM &
PUMP HOUSE
3. SPLASH PAD
4. BASKETBALL
COURT
5. SKATEPARK
6. ADA PATH

ADAPTIVE RECREATION CENTER PRELIMINARY CONCEPT #2

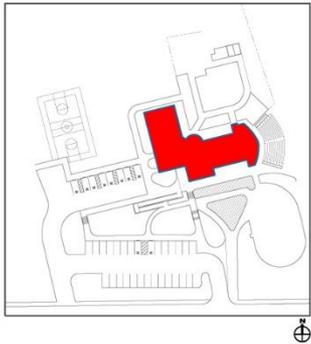
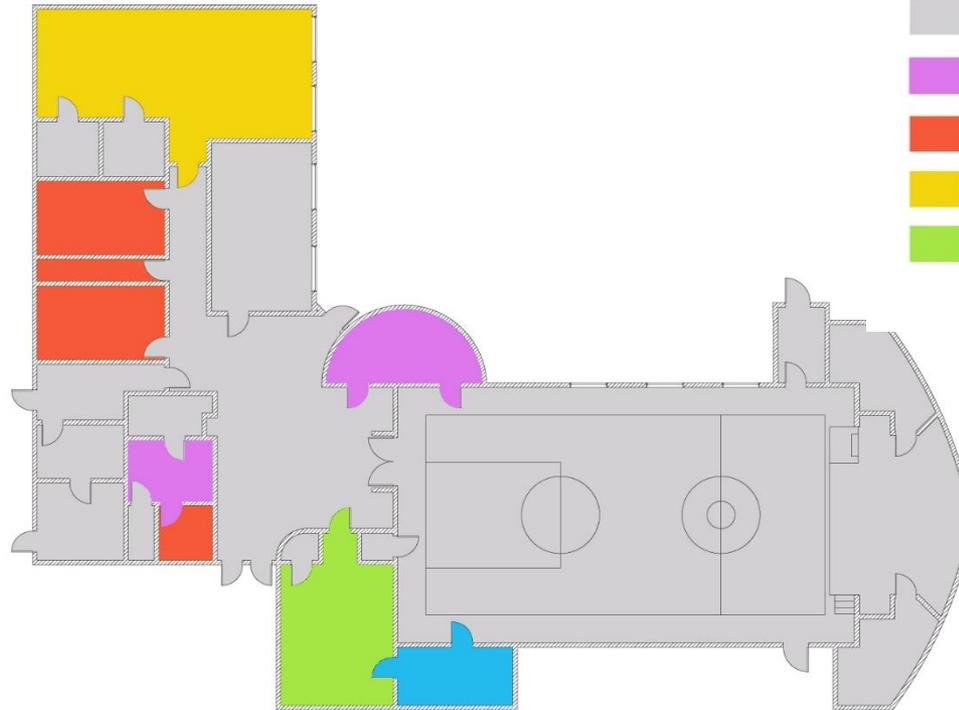


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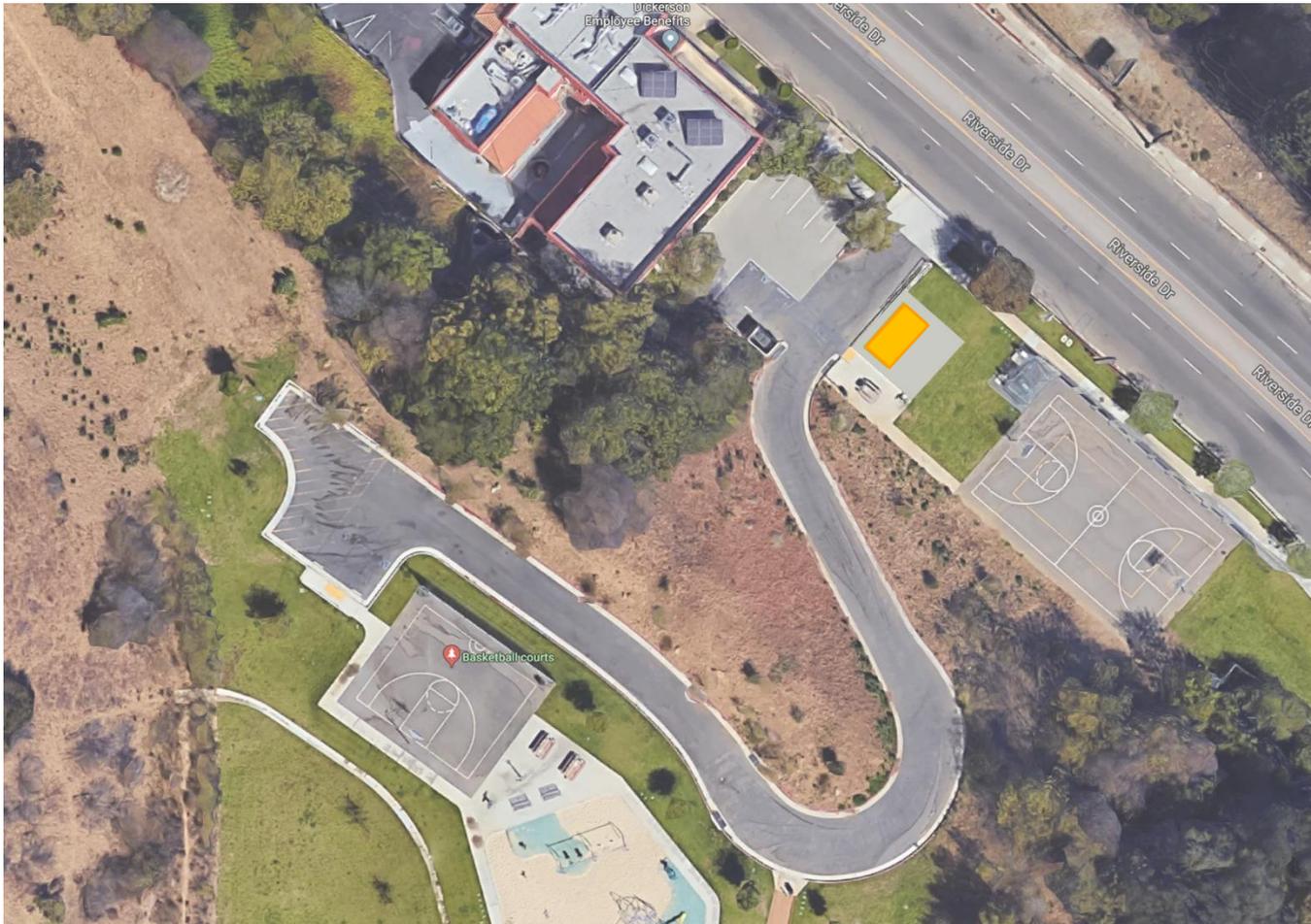
ADAPTIVE RECREATION CENTER IMPROVEMENTS



-  KITCHEN
-  GENERAL
-  OFFICE
-  RESTROOM
-  COMMUNITY ROOM
-  RANGER STATION

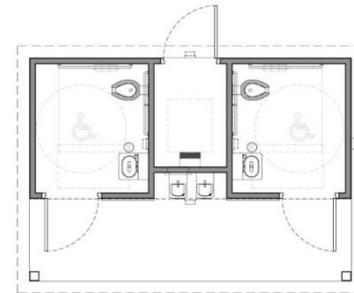


WALNUT HILL AT ELYSIAN PARK - RIVERSIDE DRIVE NEW PUBLIC RESTROOM



NEW RESTROOM
BUILDING

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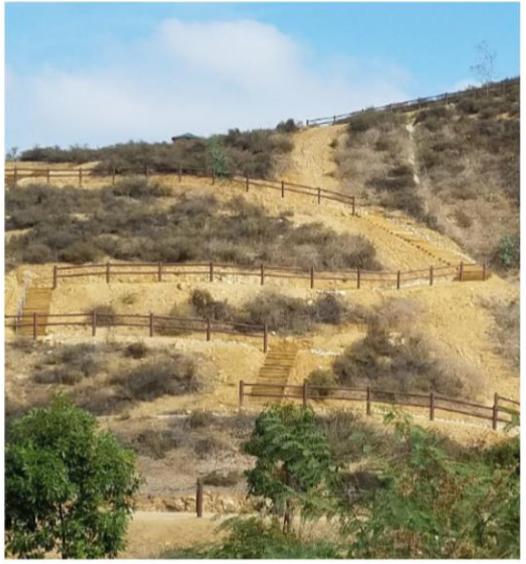
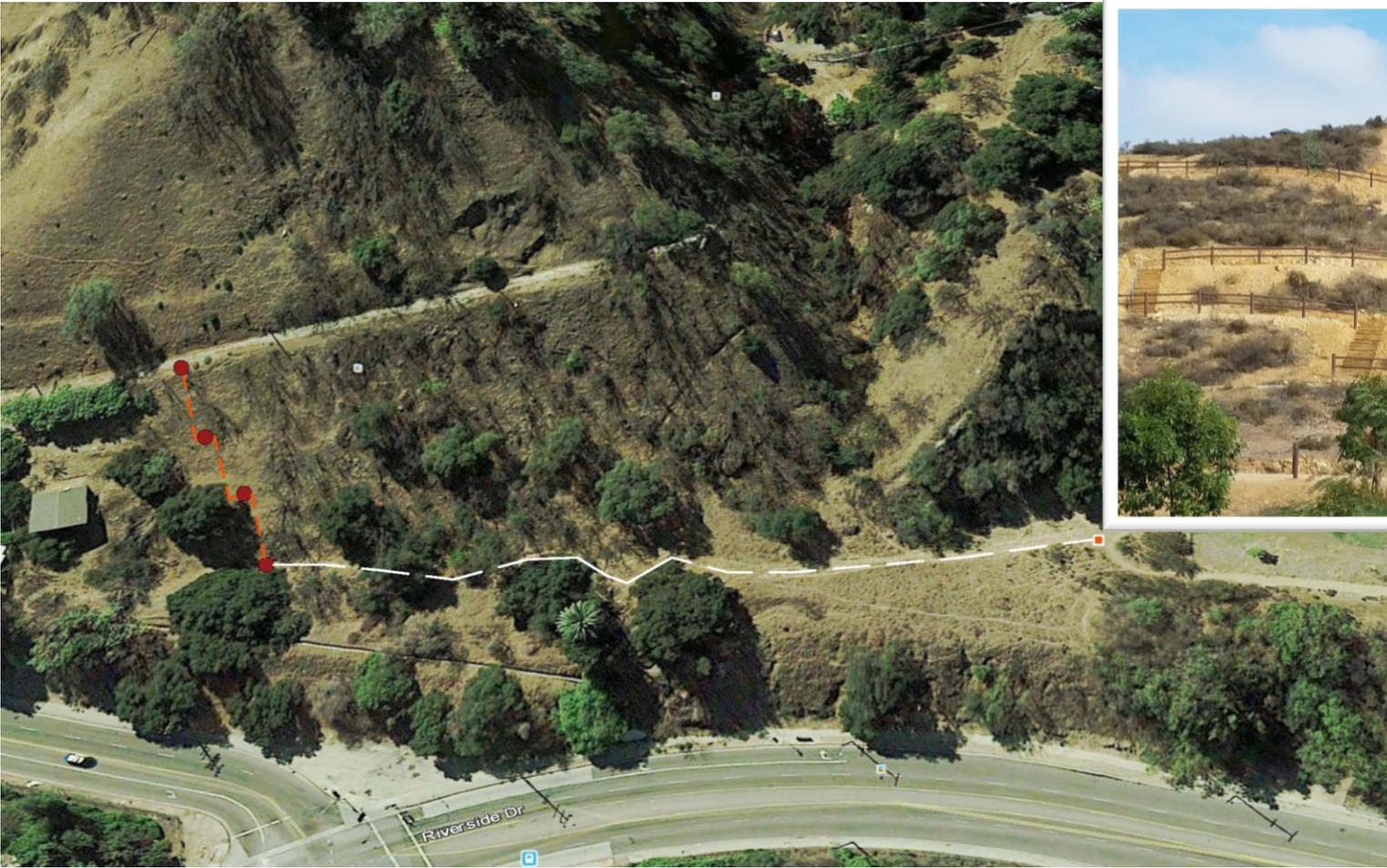


FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: NOT TO SCALE



WALNUT HILL AT ELYSIAN PARK IMPROVE HIKING TRAILS



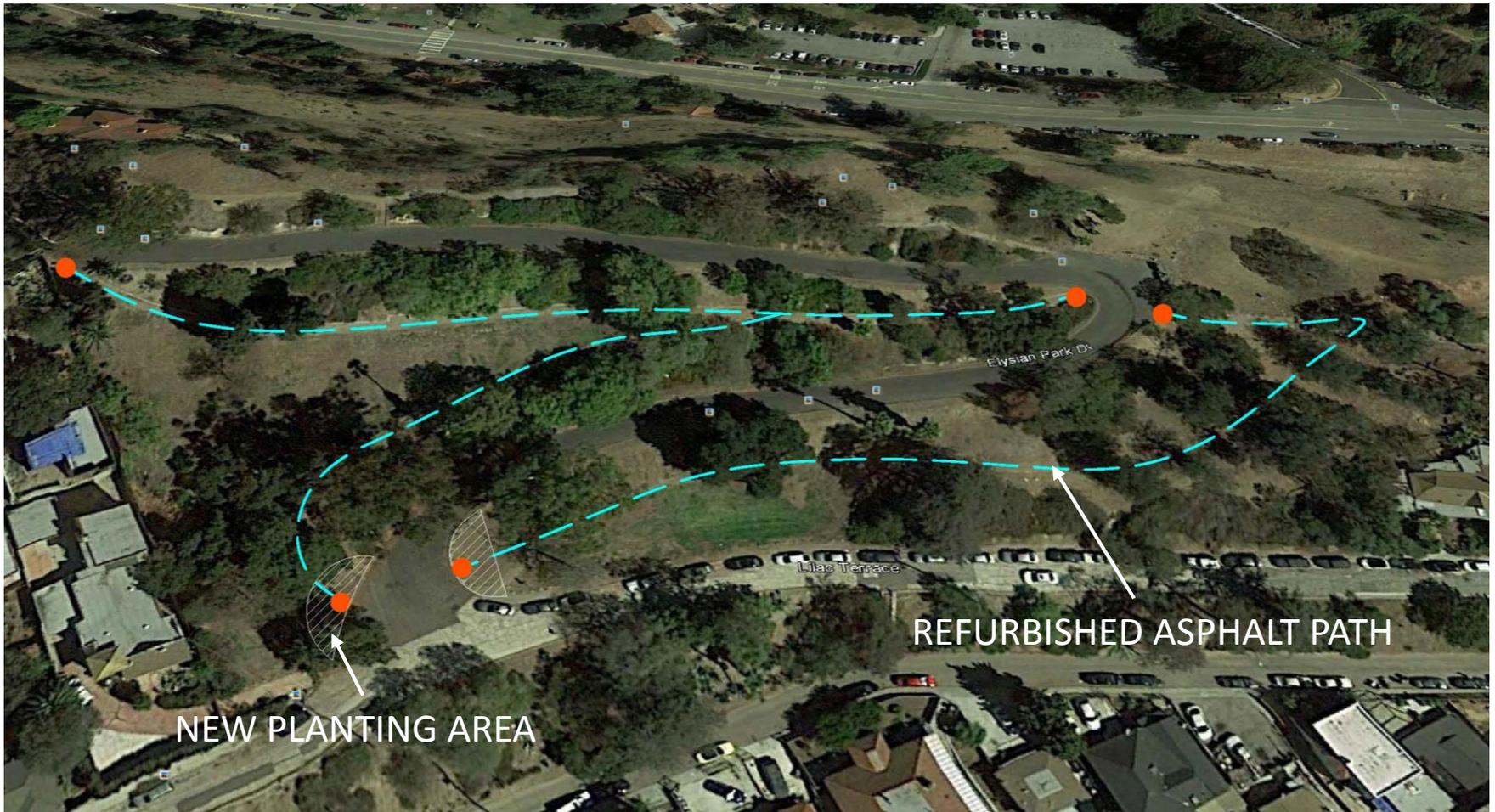
MORTON/ACADEMY/FIRE ROAD IMPROVE OFF STREET PARKING AND SIGNAGE



VICTORY MEMORIAL GROVE SITE IMPROVEMENTS AND PLANTING



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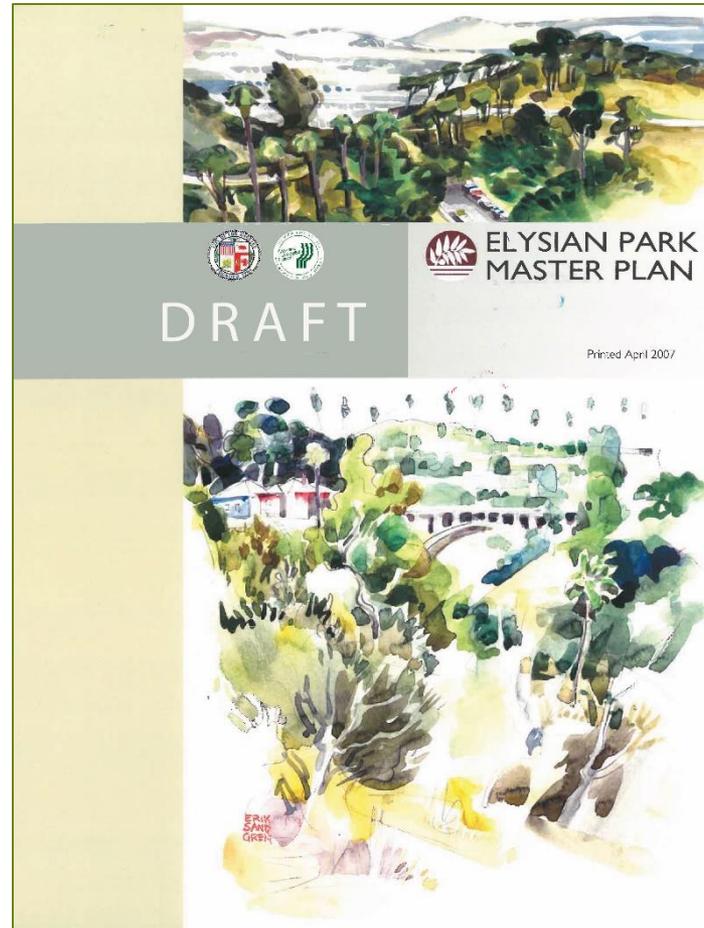
ELYSIAN PARK URBAN FOREST TREE INVENTORY, ASSESSMENT, AND REFORESTATION PLAN



**ELYSIAN PARK RANGERS
STAFF 2 PARK RANGERS DEDICATED TO ELYSIAN PARK
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ELYSIAN PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE DRAFT MASTER PLAN FOR ADOPTION BY RAP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS





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