TO: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

FROM: Dave Mitchell

SUBJECT: TAMIEN PARK MASTER PLAN

DATE: April 15, 2015

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission consider the draft Master Plan for Tamien Park and authorize the Chair to submit a letter advising the City Council to approve the draft Master Plan.

BACKGROUND

In 2011, the City of San José acquired 3.5 acres of land from the Santa Clara Valley Transit Authority (VTA), near the Caltrain and VTA Light Rail Station known as the Tamien Transit Station, for the development of a neighborhood/community park per the Tamien Station Area Specific Plan adopted in 1995. This “L” shape piece of property is located off of Lick Avenue and has a second frontage access at the intersection of Goodyear Street and Penitone Avenue (APN 434-13-041). VTA may provide a third pedestrian access between the proposed park site and the Tamien Transit Station, which would also link up to the Highway 87 Trail.

City staff and the local Councilmember held seven community meetings starting in 2009 and ending in 2015 regarding the development of this site as a park and a charter school site. At one time, the northern third of this property was going to be used in part for a Rocketship Charter School. At the sixth community meeting held on September 16, 2013, the attendees discussed the development of the remaining 2.1 acres. Those who attended the July 16, 2013 community meeting, agreed that the proposed concept plan for the 2.1 acres reflected their input from the previous meeting, which includes the following, along with the Rocketship School development of the play area, basketball court, parking lot, and school building.

1) Health conscious, health oriented park 7) Track Style Walking Path
2) A Par Course or Fitness Equipment 8) A Multi-Purpose Turf Field
3) Covered Areas for Gatherings 9) A Plaza Area
4) Barbeque/Picnic Area 10) Tai Chi Area
5) A Stage in the Park 11) Restrooms
6) A park that serves the entire community – Facilities for all ages
In 2014, Rocketship School withdrew its request to develop the northern third of the site. This withdrawal of the school resulted in City staff preparing two possible alternatives presented for public consideration at the seventh community meeting and via an on-line survey. Figure 10 and Figure 11 in the Master Plan regarding the development for the future park at 3.5 acres display the two possible alternatives.

The closest parks are Parque de Padre Mateo Sheedy Park (0.4 acres) located at the southeast corner of Floyd and Locust Streets, approximate 0.3 miles away by street travel. Roberto Antonio Balermino (1.8 acres) located on Almaden Road, south of Alma Avenue is approximate 0.6 miles away by street travel. Other nearby parks includes Bellevue Park (2.0 acres), Biebrach Park (5.0 acres), Fuller Avenue (1.6 acres), and River Glen Park (9.2 acres).

In 2014, the City submitted and obtained a $2.2 million grant from the State’s Housing Related Park Program for phase one development of the park site.

**ANALYSIS**

Proposed amenities for the park were developed in consultation with community members through a series of community meetings noted in the draft Master Plan along with an on-line survey. The final amenities for the park include, a basketball court, a children’s play area, outdoor fitness equipment, a Tai Chi area, a stage, a restroom, a parking lot, associated benches and picnic tables, landscaping, and an open turf area that can accommodate a youth soccer field. The park will be owned, maintained and operated by the City of San José through its Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS). Cost to build this park is estimated at $5.5 million.

The City hired Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. to prepare the Initial Environmental Study for the Master Plan. The Initial Study evaluates the nature and extent of any adverse effects on the environment that could occur if this project is approved and implemented. Based on information in the Initial Study, a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was prepared by the City’s Planning Department for future adoption by the San José City Council for the Tamien Park Master Plan (PP14-057). Two mitigation measures are noted in the draft MND and those measures will be incorporated in the project to resolve concerns regarding possible on-site soil contamination resulting from the former uses of the property, and noise concerns related to the home at 452 Goodyear Street.

Notice of this meeting was submitted to adjacent residents within 1000 feet of the proposed park site as part of the noticing for seventh community meeting held on April 9, 2015. A public notice for the Commission meeting ran in the Sunday editions of the San Jose Mercury News, on 4/26/15 and 5/3/15, and the notice was also posted on site.
It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive public testimony regarding the proposed final layout for the park and the associated draft Master Plan. The Commission should take formal action to advise the City Council to approve the draft Master Plan by authorizing the Chair to submit a letter of support on behalf of the Commission.

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Attachment: Concept  
Draft Master Plan
MASTER PLAN DOCUMENT

TAMIEN PARK
City of San José

Master Plan
Approved by the City of José
Parks and Recreation Commission
Date, 2015

Approved by the City of San José
City Council
Item No.
Date, 2015

Environmental Clearance
City Council Resolution No.
File No. PP14-057
Date, 2015

Note: “Tamien Park” is the working title until the City Council adopts a name for this future park.
MASTER PLAN DOCUMENT

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FIGURE 1

Vicinity Map
PROJECT SITE

The proposed "L" shape park site (APN 434-13-041) is located on Lick Avenue and at the intersection of Goodyear Street and Penitone Avenue in the Tamien Station Area of San José.

PROJECT GOAL

The project goal is to create a 3.5 acre public neighborhood/community park as envisioned in the Tamien Station Area Specific Plans. The design of the park was created through a public input process. The park may include an open turf area that can accommodate a youth soccer field, a basketball court, a tennis court, a children’s play area, exercise areas, a stage, a restroom, associated benches, picnic tables, and landscaping. The park will be owned, maintained and operated by the City of San José through its Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS).
FIGURE 3
Rocketship Plan
PROJECT BACKGROUND

In 1995, the City approved the “Tamien Station Area Specific Plan,” which suggests that the area be redeveloped as residential development to support the transit station. The Specific Plan calls for the development of 1,225 new dwelling units to augment the existing 457 dwelling units. The Tamien Station Area Specific Plans covers an “L” shape area of about 140 acres generally bounded by Willow Street to the north, Lick Avenue and Little Orchard Street to the east, the abandoned Union Pacific Railroad line to the south, and the Guadalupe River to the west.

A component of the Tamien Station Area Specific Plan is the creation of public parks to serve the area. The Specific Plan suggests a four acre park near the Caltrain/ VTA Station entrance west of Lick Avenue. The plan remarks that this site provides a centrally located public open space suitable for a variety of recreational and/or public activities. The Specific Plan further denotes that this park site will not be sufficient to meet all the recreational needs of the areas residents based on the 2020 General Plan policy used to measure park needs. The General Plan establishes a benchmark of 3.5 acres of neighborhood/community parklands per 1,000 new residents. Considering the population expected at build-out of the Specific Plan, there is a need for approximately 15 acres of parkland in the Tamien Station Area. Other park sites within the Tamien Station Plan Area include Parque de Padre Mateo Sheedy at 0.4 acres and Roberto Antonio Balermino Park at 1.8 acres. In 2011, the City of San José acquired 3.5 acres from the Valley Transit Authority (VTA) for the development of a neighborhood/community park as envisioned in the Tamien Station Area Specific Plan.

From 2011 to 2014, the northerly third of the proposed park site was considered for the development of a Rocketship School for 600 elementary students (Figure 3). The School was going to purchase its building site from the City and in return would also construct a children play area with a shade structure picnic shelter, a hard court area with a half basketball court with another shade structure picnic shelter, and a parking lot on City property. The play area and hard court area would have been accessible to the public from 4:30 PM to one hour after sunset on school days and from sunrise to one hour after sunset on non-school days. Half of the parking spaces would have been restricted for school use from sunrise to 4:30 PM and the remaining parking spaces would have been available to the general public for use to either access the school, or the park. These proposed joint use facilities would have been constructed and maintained by the School under a joint-use agreement with the City. In 2014, Launchpad, the developers for Rocketship School withdrew its request to develop the northerly third of the site for the proposed school.

In 2014, the City submitted and obtained a $2.2 million grant from the State’s Housing Related Park Program for phase one development of the park site.
FIGURE 3 Photos of the Site
EXISTING CONDITIONS

Neighborhood Character
The proposed Tamien Park is located southwest of the downtown area within the Transit Core Area of the Tamien Station Area Specific Plan. This area is part of the Washington Neighborhood of the City of San José. The immediate area surrounding the proposed park site is known as the Tamien Neighborhood. This area provides the greatest opportunity to create intensive high density residential or mixed use development design to support transit use, since both the Caltrain and VTA Light Rail Tamien stations are located here. This area is currently undergoing a transformation from a mix use area of single family homes with small industrial single business type facilities to the transit-oriented community envisioned in the Tamien Station Area Specific Plan.

Park Ratio
The current amount of usable park space within a half mile radius of the proposed park site is 3.3 acres. The California State Parks Community Fact Finder indicates a population of around 9,400 within the half-mile radius. The amount of parkland per population within the half-mile radius yields a ratio of usable City owned park land of 0.35 park acres per 1,000 people. The 3.3 acres consists of 1.0 acres associated with the Jesse Frey Community Garden, 0.4 acres for Parque de Padre Mateo Sheedy Neighborhood Park, 1.8 acres for Roberto Antonio Balermino Park and 0.1 acres for Kyva Park, a privately owned public playground at the end of Falcon Place. The City’s General Plan goal is to provide 3.5 acres of recreational land per 1,000 people associated with parks and recreational school grounds.

New Park Ratio
The development of 3.5 acres as parkland would adjust the gross park ratio to 0.72 park acres per 1,000 people within the half-mile radius of the proposed park project.

Site History
The site supported agricultural activities prior to its establishment as part of the cannery operation on Lick Avenue, between 1919 and the early 1980s. After the closure of the cannery in 1983, some of the buildings were used for various commercial uses. Facilities associated with the cannery facility were demolished in 1989 and the proposed park site has remained vacant since that time. Overflow parking from the Tamien Transit Station has occurred.

Adjacent Land Uses
The park site is located in an urban setting and surrounded by residential, commercial, industrial, and public facility land uses. The park site is northeast of Tamien Transit Station, which serves Caltrain and VTA Light Rail. Passenger trains that pass the project site on weekdays consist of 18 Caltrain, 8 ACE and 2 Amtrak trains. On the weekend 29 Caltrain and 2 Amtrak passenger trains pass the park site. The railroad tracks are also used by freight trains operated by Union Pacific Railroad. The park site is 30 feet east
of the Union Pacific/Caltrain railroad tracks. West of the railroad tracks is State Highway 87 with VTA Light Rail in the center median of the Highway. On weekdays, around 70 light rail trains stop each way at the VTA Tamien Station, with a reduced train schedule on the weekends. Further west is a parking lot for the Tamien Transit Station and LeLong Street. The Guadalupe River is located on the west side of LeLong Street, approximately 725 feet west of the proposed park site.

VTA owns the vacant land and the parking lot south of the proposed park site and plans to construct 35-40 townhome-style condo units and 290-360 multi-family housing units on its site (APN 434-13-040) with associated on-site parking for 533 cars per City Planning Application No. PDC 14-072. Approximately 16 of the townhome-style condo units would be facing the park site. Current transit parking east of the Tamien Transit Station would be relocated to a proposed parking garage west of the Transit Station near the intersection of West Alma Avenue and LeLong Street.

A mix of single-family, multi-family, and industrial land uses exist in the surrounding vicinity to the proposed park site. A child care center is located east of Tamien Transit Station. Industrial land uses, such as automotive repair shops, are located east and north of the proposed park site. A distributor of alcohol is located adjacent the proposed park site on Penitone Avenue. Four single-family residents share a property line with the proposed park.

The proposed park site is subject to overflights from commercial aircraft using the Mineta San José International Airport, but is outside of the Airport Influence Area and is not subject to any noise, height, or safety restrictions associated with the airport.

Existing Land Uses Designations
The proposed park is vacant property (APN 434-13-041) with a General Plan designation of Open Space, Parkland and Habitat. The existing Zoning for the park site is Light Industrial Zoning District. The proposed park site is within the Transit Core Area of the Tamien Station Area Specific Plan. The Habitat Conservation Plan designation is Golf Course/Urban Parks. The proposed park also meets a goal of the 2002 Washington Neighborhood Plan, which specifically identifies the property as a potential site for a future park.

Views
The views from the site are into the platform area of the adjacent Caltrain Station and/or the foothills surrounding the City of San Jose. The foothills are in the background of views that include urban development.

Access
The main pedestrian access to the future park will be from Lick Avenue. A second pedestrian access will be provided at the intersection of Goodyear Street and Penitone Avenue, along with access to a proposed on-site parking lot. VTA may provide a third pedestrian access between the proposed park site and the Tamien Transit Station,
which would also link up to the Highway 87 Trail.

**Vegetation**
The project site is a vacant 3.5-acre urban infill parcel covered with weedy vegetation and very few on-site trees near the intersection of Goodyear Street and Penitone Avenue.

**Grading**
The site is relatively flat.

**Soils**
Soils at the surface of the park site are undocumented fill, which has a low plasticity and expansion potential, while subsurface deposits are of the Holocene alluvial fan soil type and consist of a relatively thick layer of lean clays with varying amounts of sand. Risks associated with soil expansion at this site are considered to be insignificant based on the low plasticity and expansion potential of the site soils.

A portion of the site soils are contaminated with hazardous materials associated with historic uses of the project site. The City will need to obtain regulatory oversight from the Santa Clara County Department of Environmental Health for soil remediation activities associated with the park development.

**Demographics**
The immediate area surrounding the proposed park has a younger age population than the City’s average. This is due to the fact that 25% to 30% of the population is 17 or under per the 2010 census data. The City’s overall number for 17 and under is 24.8 percent. The major race/ethnic group in this area is Hispanic. This area is also considered as multi-generational. The household size is moderate large at 3.2 to 3.9 persons per household. The City’s average household size in 2010 is 3.09. This area is not considered as overcrowded. The vacancy rate is less than 2.0 percent, while the City’s average is 4.0 percent.

**Population & Income**
The State’s Community Fact Finder indicates a population of around 9,400 within the half-mile radius of the proposed park site. Twenty percent of the residents within the half mile radius are living below the property level. The median household income of this area is around $60,100. The City’s average income in 2010 is $76,794.
COMMUNITY OUTREACH

There have been seven community meetings held for the park between March 2, 2009 (first meeting) and April XX, 2015 (the seventh and final community meeting). All meetings used the open discussion format and residents were asked to provide their ideas with regard to the park’s elements, layout and safety.

At the first community meeting, the local Councilmember and City staff introduced the projects and discussed land acquisition status from VTA. Although the City did not own the land in 2009, City staff presented information to the community that compared the anticipated size of the park to other existing parks and its amenities. At this meeting, community members were asked to define a list of preferred park elements, which consisted of the following:

1) Health conscious, health oriented park
2) A Par Course or Fitness Equipment
3) Covered Areas for Gatherings
4) Barbecue/Picnic Area
5) Restrooms
6) Track Style Walking Path
7) A Soccer Field
8) A Plaza Area
9) Tai Chi Area

A second community meeting was held on May 14, 2009, at the Alma Community Center. The purpose of that meeting was to present the park and amenity comparison information and the preferred park elements identified in community meeting # 1. At the second meeting, community members were asked to vote for their preferred park elements by participation in a “Dot Exercise” for both desired elements and casting a no vote for non-desired items.

The third community meeting was held on April 4, 2011. The purpose of that meeting was to assess community support for a potential sale and lease agreement between the City and Launchpad, the school developer for Rocketship Charter Schools. The proposed school facility and the affiliated parking lot and youth play area may be made available to the community after school and on weekends and holidays.

The fourth community meeting was held on May 4, 2011, at the Alma Community Center. The local Councilmember and City staff reviewed the community input received from previous meetings and introduced the potential location of a Charter School on the proposed park site. The community members were asked to discuss the Charter School element in an open forum with City staff and charter school representatives. At the conclusion of this meeting, the community members were asked to vote on the inclusion of the Charter School to the site through a “Show of Hands.” The community members in attendances agreed to the following elements for inclusion into a formal master plan document:
1) Soccer field  
2) Walking path  
3) Planting and irrigation  
4) Charter School with community access  
5) Children playground  
6) Parking lot

The fifth community meeting was held on July 16, 2013 at the Alma Senior Center to discuss development of the remaining 2.1 acres of the site not associated with the Rocketship School development. Around 30 people attended this meeting. The local Councilmember and City staff informed the group that the City had purchased 3.5 acres from the VTA for the development of the Park in conjunction with the development of Rocketship School #8. The community wanted to know why VTA did not just give the land to the City at no cost. The group was also concerned that the $1.5 million of PDO fees from the Tamien Towers Project went toward the acquisition of the site from VTA. A person also expressed a need for this land to be used for a middle school, while another wanted vehicular access to the school facility from Lick Avenue. The group expressed their frustration with the City in the delay of creating park facilities at, or near this site.

Staff reviewed the following community input received from previous meetings:

1) Health conscious, health oriented park  
2) A Par Course or Fitness Equipment  
3) Covered Areas for Gatherings  
4) Barbecue/Picnic Area  
5) A Stage in the Park  
6) A park that serves the entire community – Facilities for all ages  
7) Track Style Walking Path  
8) A Soccer Field  
9) A Plaza Area  
10) Tai Chi Area  
11) Restrooms

Based on the previous meetings input, staff presented four concepts for the park (Figures 5 to 8). The group selected Concept 3 (Figure 7), with the requests to call the soccer field a multi-purpose field, to move the stage to be adjacent to the middle of the multi-purpose field, and add some game tables to the Park. Staff informed the group that the requested changes would be incorporated into a concept plan for their review at the next community meeting.

The sixth community meeting was held on September 16, 2013 at the Alma Senior Center to review the final concept plan for the remaining 2.1 acres of the site not associated with the Rocketship School development. Of the 40 attendees, approximately half where at the community meeting # 5 held on July 16, 2013. Of those who attended the July 16, 2013, community meeting agreed for the most part that proposed concept plan 5 (Figure 9) did reflect theirs directions from the previous meeting. A person did suggest the rotation of the restroom building, so the entrances can be seen from the Lick Avenue, and the attendees seemed amenable to this suggestion. However, other individuals expressed various thoughts for the site who where not at the July 16, 2013 community meeting. One person articulated the need to use the total site for parking to serve the transit station. Another person wanted vehicular access to the proposed joint use parking lot from Lick Avenue. A third person requested a skate park to be included in the park. Another person requested the park...
TAMIEN PARK - CONCEPT 3

Concept 3

FIGURE 7

TAMIEN PARK - CONCEPT 4

Concept 4

FIGURE 8
Prior Plan for 2.1 Acres

FIGURE 9
should not be built because it will bring the current social problems at Bellevue Park into the neighborhood. While others expressed that the new park will enhance the appearance of the neighborhood and provided much needed recreational facilities for their children.

The seventh community meeting was held on April 9, 2015 at the Alma Community Teen Center to discuss the full development of the 3.5 acre site as a park. Staff presented the attendees with two alternatives (Figures 10 and 11) to consider in light of the withdrawal of the Rocketship School proposal on the northern 1/3 of the site. This meeting had around 24 attendees, about half of whom attended previous community meetings. They expressed their concerns regarding the inclusion of a tennis court in Figure 11. The attendees participated in a dot exercise for the 3.5 acre site regarding elements for the park. The results of that exercise are depicted in Figure 13. Attendees also performed another dot exercise regarding the two presented alternatives (Figures 10 and 11). Attendees who voted unanimously favored Figure 11 as their preferred layout for the park, with one major exception; they requested the tennis court to be changed to a multi-use court that could accommodate volleyball. The attendees were also concerned about surveillance and closing off the parking lot at night.

PRNS also conducted an on-line survey regarding the two new alternative layouts for the proposed park (Figures 10 and 11). As of noon on April 15, 2015, respondents had taken the on-line survey, with 69% favoring the selection of Figure 11 as the preferred layout for the proposed park. Over half of the respondents provided additional comments:

"Very excited about the park"
"It would be great if you added a dog park"
"Obviously park security should be a top priority"
"Jessy Frey Community Garden needs a permanent site"
"I would probably not go since the park will be poorly maintained"
"This significantly reduces the parking available for the Tamien Light Rail and Caltrain transit"

The results from the community input strongly favored the conceptual plan associated with Figure 11 as the preferred layout for the Master Plan, with the tennis court being changed to a multi-use area that could at least accommodate a volleyball court.
DOT EXERCISE RESULTS FOR 3.5 ACRE PARK

A PARK THAT SERVES THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY 81
HEALTH CONSCIOUS PARK FOR ALL AGES
MULTI-PURPOSE TURF FIELD (SOCCER FIELD) 17
TRACK STYLE WALKING PATH AROUND FIELD 9
CHILDREN’S PLAY AREA 11
ATHLETIC COURTS
PING-PONG TABLE 2
BBQ / PICNIC AREAS 3
A STAGE FOR CONCERTS & COMMUNITY EVENTS 34
TAI CHI AREA 1
FITNESS GYM EQUIPMENT OR A PAR COURSE
SKATEBOARD ELEMENTS
PARKING LOT 1
RESTROOMS 12
OTHER (None proposed)

Numbers on right are the weighted results of the 3 Dots per voter exercise

4/9/15 Community Meeting – Tamien Park
Dot Exercise Results for 3.5 Acre Park

DOT / SURVEY RESULTS FOR 3.5 ACRE PARK

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4/15/15 On-Line Survey & 4/9/15 Community Meeting – Tamien Park
Dot/Survey Results for the 3.5 Acre Park

4/9/15 Community Meeting – Tamien Park
Dot Exercise Results for 3.5 Acre Park

4/15/15 On-Line Survey & 4/9/15 Community Meeting – Tamien Park
Dot/Survey Results for the 3.5 Acre Park
Master Plan Layout

FIGURE 14
The final conceptual layout plan for the Tamien Master Plan (Figure 14) incorporates community input and staff’s professional judgment. The final conceptual layout plan is a modification of Figure 11, which reflects the ideas generated at the various community meetings noted in this report. The Master Plan major park elements include:

1) Multi-Use Turf Area
2) Fitness Equipment Area (Outdoor Gym)
3) Community Stage Area
4) Children’s Play Area
5) Barbecue/Picnic Facilities
6) Paved Walkways and Benches
7) Soft Jogging Path around Turf Area
8) Basketball Court
9) Multi-Use Court
10) Tai Chi Area
11) Parking Lot
12) Restroom

The parking lot is warranted to meet parking demand for potential soccer games and community events on the multi-use turf field. A restroom is warranted to support both soccer use and larger community events on the field. The children’s play area meets the demographic information noted in the 2010 census data that this area has a younger age population than the City’s average. A major goal of the community is to create a park for all ages. To help facilitate that goal, the park will also include a basketball court, an outdoor fitness gym area, a Tai Chi Area and a platform stage.

Staff further revised the Conceptual Plan associated with Figure 11 to enhance surveillance of the park from Lick Avenue by relocating the restroom between the children’s play area and multi-use court area. Surveillance of the park is a major concern for the surrounding neighbors. Staff also reduced the number of picnic tables and reoriented the tables along Lick Avenue. This plan also reflects a relocation of and a larger stage element than the one depicted in Figure 11. The revised stage reflects the community desires for a large facility and its relocation removes the possible pedestrian conflict in Figure 11. Staff at the seventh community meeting agreed to provide a gate at the entrance to the parking lot for night closure and the inclusion of a six-foot high sound wall along the side and rear yards associated with the adjacent residential parcels.

To further enhance the park experience, the City is proposing the incorporation of art in the fabric of the park under the City Public Art Program.

The cost to implement the Master Plan Layout for the park is estimated at $5,500,000.
ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

The City is the Lead Agency for the necessary environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for this project to develop the proposed park site (APN 434-13-041). All discretionary actions that would commit the City to develop this park must be taken by formal action of the San Jose City Council. Any actions taken by the City’s Parks and Recreation Commission are strictly advisory to the City Council.

The City hired Denise Duff & Associates, Inc. to prepare the Initial Study under CEQA for consideration by City’s Planning Department. The Initial Study evaluates the nature and extent of any adverse effects on the environment that could occur if this project is approved and implemented. Based on information in the Initial Study, a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was prepared by the Planning Department for adoption by the San Jose City Council for the Tamien Park Master Plan (PP14-057). A Mitigated Negative Declaration is a statement by the City that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment if protective measures (mitigation measures) are included in the project. In this case, the two mitigation measures are noted in the Mitigated Negative Declaration and will be included in the project to resolve concerns regarding the on-site soil contamination resulting from the former uses of the property, and Noise concerns to an adjacent residential property. The City will conduct a geophysical survey of the property, to identify any remaining buried metallic objects for removal. The City will also perform additional soil and groundwater evaluations. The City will obtain regulatory oversight for the Santa Clara County Department of Environmental Health for such remediation activities to the site. Furthermore, the City at a minimum will construct a 6-foot high acoustically-effective barrier to reduce noise impacts to the home at 452 Goodyear Street.

The intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project along with its Initial Study was circulated for public review from April 2, 2015 to April 23, 2015. The City received ___ public comments.

On ___, 2015, the City Council adopted a Resolution (No. _____) regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Tamien Master Plan (PP14-057).

OPERATIONAL COSTS

The costs to operate and maintain this 3.5 acre park annually is estimated at $75,000.
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

The development of the 3.5 acre site as a park will comply with the City’s Stormwater Policy 6-29 created on February 3, 1998 and modified on August 15, 2005 (any other modification). A stormwater control plan will be produced during the design stage that will indicate drainage areas, runoff created, sizing methodology and maintenance schedule to ensure compliance under the City’s permit with the Regional Water Quality Control Board.

In sum, the approach is as follows:
• The approximate impervious surface of the proposed project is 60,000 sq. ft.
• All walkways will drain to landscape areas and/or be made from pervious materials.
• The parking lot will drain to a bioswale area west of the lot, be made from pervious materials, or both.

NAMING OF THE PARK SITE

The naming of the park site will be done in compliance with City Council Policy No. 7-5, “Naming of City-Owned Land and Facilities.” A part of the mailer regarding the seventh community meeting included the name nomination form. PRNS staff also informed the attendees at the seventh community meeting of the City’s Naming Policy and provided the associated application forms. Potential names shall be considered, if reflective of at least one of the following criteria:

a. Geographic location
b. Prominent geographic feature or local reference point
c. Adjoining subdivision/community
d. Historical event
e. A deceased individual (see criteria below)
f. An individual via a donation or sponsorship agreement
g. A group via a donation or sponsorship agreement

(To be completed by staff after a name is approved by City Council)
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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