



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
March 11, 2008

**Honorable Mayor and
 Members of the City Council**

Title: Five Star Park Name Approval

Location/Council District: 307 Doolittle Street / Council District 2

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** changing the name of Verano Creek Park to "Five Star Park."

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

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Parks and Recreation

Division: Park Planning & Development Services

Organization No: 4727

Description/Analysis

Issue: Staff is seeking approval to change the existing park name from Verano Creek Park to Five Star Park. The name change is requested by the community and Council Office because there is no creek or other similar natural feature within the vicinity of the park; therefore, there is no strong community identification with the name. City Council's approval is needed to change the name of public facilities.

A summary of the Five Star Park project history is included as Attachment 1 (page 4) and a location map as Attachment 2 (page 5).

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

This is part of the Park Development Process for park planning as stated in the

2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Committee/Commission Action: The Verano Creek Park Master Plan was reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) on October 3, 2002. The "Five Star Park" name was reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission on February 7, 2008.

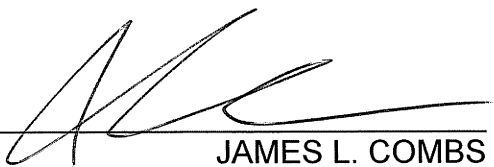
Environmental Considerations: This report concerns administrative activities that will not have a significant effect on the environment, and does not constitute a "project" as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) [CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3); 15378(b)(2)].

Rationale for Recommendation: The name Five Star Park was selected from recommendations offered by the community and the Council Office because, at one time, the housing development adjacent to the park was military housing for McClellan Air Base. Nimitz Street is adjacent to the Park; Admiral Nimitz was one of a handful of World War II Generals and Admirals awarded the five-star rank.

This renaming request is consistent with the City's policy and procedures on the naming of parks (Resolution #2001-779).

Financial Considerations: There are no financial considerations for approval of the park name change. A new park sign will be incorporated into the park development project.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
JAMES L. COMBS
Director, Parks and Recreation

Recommendation Approved:


for RAY KERRIDGE
City Manager

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Attachment 1

Background Information

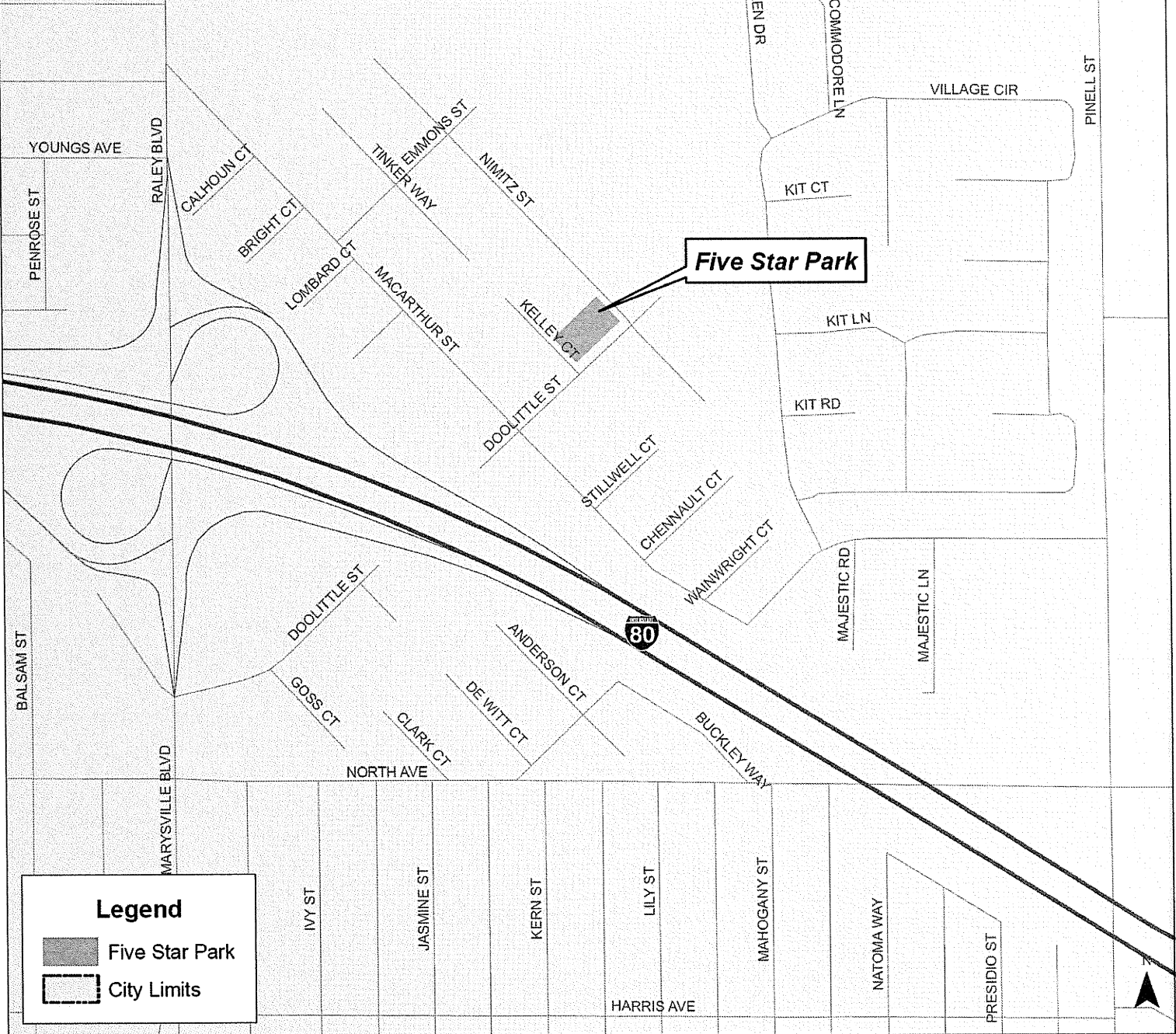
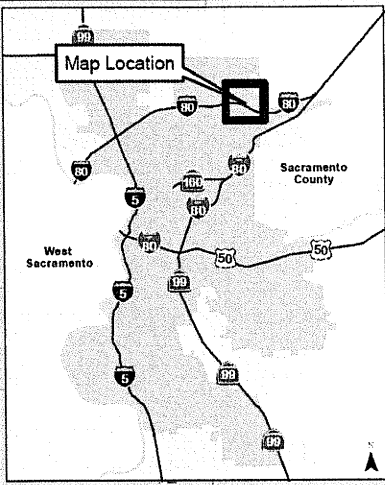
Verano Creek Park, originally named "Doolittle Park," is a 0.4-acre neighborhood park located at 307 Doolittle Street between Kelly Court and Nimitz Street in North Sacramento.

The Verano Creek Park Master Plan and phase one development includes a park entry, concrete walkways, a group picnic area, a children's playground, security lighting, a drinking fountain, site furnishings, site irrigation, an open turf area, and basic landscaping. The master plan was approved by City Council on January 30, 2003, in Resolution Number 2003-037.

On April 19, 2005, the City Council supported an application for a State Parks Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant for the development of Verano Creek Park. The project received support from the Council Office, the Robla Park Community Association and Grant Joint Union High School District. The LWCF Grant was accepted by Council on September 26, 2006, in Resolution 2006-705.

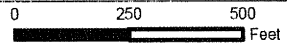
The construction contract for Verano Creek Park was awarded to Parker Development Inc. for the amount of \$306,700.69 on October 16, 2007 in Resolution 2007-748. The construction Change Order #1 in the amount of \$62,387 was approved by City Council on January 29, 2008, in Resolution 2008-067.

The principal of Bell Avenue School commented that Five Star Park is a very "kid friendly" name.



Legend

- Five Star Park
- City Limits



City of Sacramento
Department of Parks and Recreation
Five Star Park



RESOLUTION NO. 2008-

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

March 11, 2008

APPROVING THE PARK NAME FOR FIVE STAR PARK

BACKGROUND

- A. Verano Creek Park is a 0.04-acre neighborhood park located at 307 Doolittle Street in North Sacramento.
- B. The park master plan was reviewed and supported by the community and the Parks and Recreation Commission; it was approved by City Council in Resolution 2003-037.
- C. On October 16, 2007, the park construction contract (CO2007-251) was awarded to Parker Development, Inc. in the amount of \$306,701.
- D. On January 29, 2008, Change Order #1 for the park was approved to increase the contract with Parker Development, Inc. by \$62,387.
- E. The Five Star Park name was reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission on February 7, 2008.
- F. This renaming request is consistent with the City's policy and procedures on naming parks (Resolution #2001-779).

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

Section 1. The name of Verano Creek Park is changed to "Five Star Park."