

REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
July 24, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Max Baer Park Updated Master Plan

Location/Council District: 7851 35th Avenue / Council District 6

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** 1) approving the updated Max Baer Park Master Plan.

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

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Parks and Recreation

Division: Park Planning & Development Services

Organization No: 4727

Description/Analysis

Issue: Max Baer Park is a 4.05-acre park located in South Sacramento; improvements to the park and the associated update to the master plan was determined to be an opportunity project in the *2004 Parks and Recreation Programming Guide*. Long-term designs of public facilities are to be reviewed and approved by City Council. A summary of the Max Baer project background 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.

Sufficient opportunities to provide input to this master plan were provided to the community (Policy 2.0 and 13.37 of the *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan*). 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 Max Baer Park Updated Master Plan (Attachment 4, page 7) was reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) on Thursday June 7th, 2007.

Environmental Considerations: The Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed the Max Baer Park Update Master Plan project and determined that is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 1 Section 15301, Class 3, Section 15303 and Class 3, Section 15303 (e) of the CEQA Guidelines. Projects exempted under Class 1, Section 15301 consist of the operation, repair or minor alteration of existing structures or facilities involving, negligible or no expansion of use. Projects exempted under Class 3, Section 15303, consist of new construction or conversion of new, small facilities or structures. Projects exempted under Class 3, Section number 15303(e) consists of new construction of accessory structures including fences.

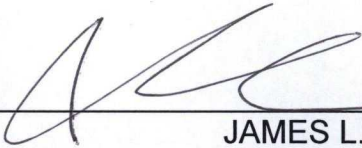
Rationale for Recommendation: The design of master plans is part of the park planning process as referenced in the approved *Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update 2005-2010*.

Financial Considerations: There are no financial considerations for approval of a park master plan. Staff will return to Council to appropriate necessary funds to approve a construction contract.

Development of parks creates an ongoing cost for park maintenance and utilities based on the size of the park. The annual maintenance cost for this existing 4.05-acre park is approximately \$8,200 per acre or \$33,210. There has been no augmentation to the Department of Parks and Recreations operating budget for maintenance or water and utility costs for parks constructed beyond FY2007/08.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): No goods or services are being purchased as a result of this report.

Respectfully Submitted by:



JAMES L. COMBS
Director, Parks and Recreation

Recommendation Approved:



RAY KERRIDGE
City Manager

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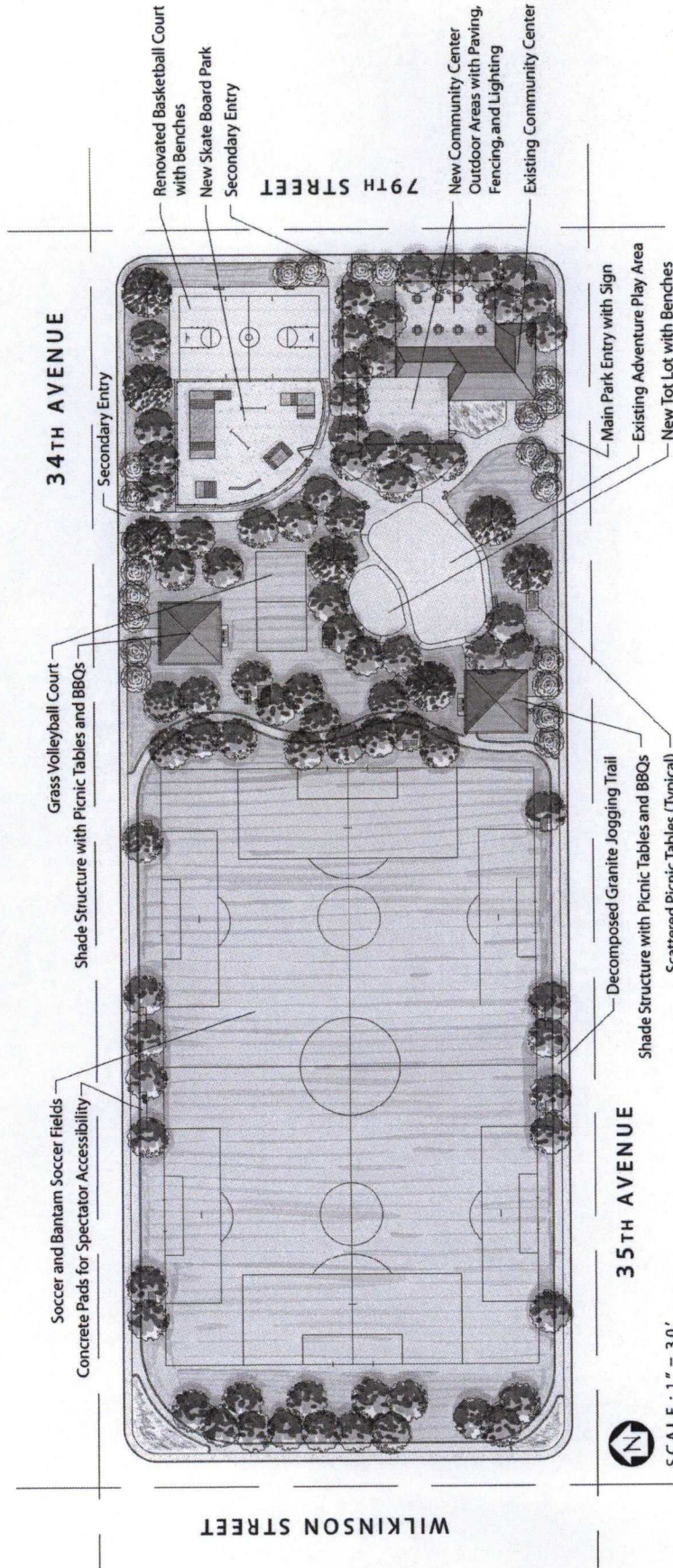
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Background Information

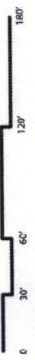
The Max Baer Master Plan was created in 1982. Original components included a softball field, adventure play area, community center, volleyball court, and basketball court.

The Max Baer Community Center was built in 1995 (Resolution 95-157), had an addition in 2000-2001, and was renamed the Elmo Allen Slider Clubhouse (Resolutions 2000-280 and -549, 2001-272). An arson fire destroyed the playground in July of 2006 and was rebuilt with community efforts in February of 2007. Improvements to the park and the associated update to the master plan was determined to be an opportunity project in the *2004 Parks and Recreation Programming Guide*.

MAX BAER PARK MASTER PLAN



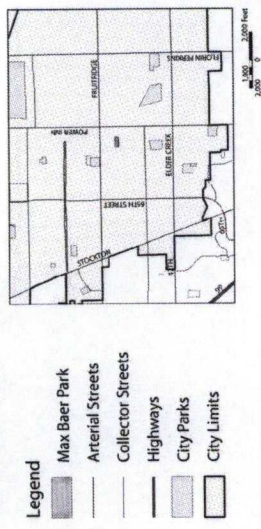
SCALE: 1" = 30'



LEGEND

- Scattered Picnic Table
- Bench
- BBQs
- Tables
- Drinking Fountain
- Trash and Recycling Receptacles
- Existing Trees
- New Shade Trees
- New Accent Trees

LOCATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

- Max Baer Park
- Arterial Streets
- Collector Streets
- Highways
- City Parks
- City Limits

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

July 24, 2007

APPROVING UPDATED MASTER PLAN FOR MAX BAER PARK

BACKGROUND

- A. Max Baer Park is an existing 4.05-acre neighborhood park located in Avondale. The Updated Max Baer Master Plan was reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission on June 7, 2007.
- B. The Environmental Services Manager has reviewed the project for compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- C. The Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed the Updated Master Plan for Max Baer Park project.
- D. Upon approval of the Updated Master Plan for Max Baer Park, the City's Environmental Planning Services shall file or cause to be filed a Notice of Exemption with the Sacramento County Clerk and, if the project requires a discretionary approval from any state agency, with the State Office of Planning and Research, pursuant to section 21152(a) of the Public Resources Code and the State EIR Guidelines adopted pursuant thereto
- E. Long-term designs of public facilities are reviewed and approved by City Council.

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

Section 1. The updated Max Baer Master Plan is approved.