

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PERIOD

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

APPLICANT:	County of Santa Cruz (Parks)
APPLICATION NO.:	06-0370
PARCEL NUMBER (APN):	028-041-02, 028-041-03
The Environmental Coordin following preliminary determ	nator has reviewed the Initial Study for your application and made the nination:
	Declaration ect will not have a significant impact on the environment.)
_xx	Mitigations will be attached to the Negative Declaration.
	No mitigations will be attached.
(Your proje	ental Impact Report ect may have a significant effect on the environment. An EIR must ed to address the potential impacts.)
Act (CEQA), this is your of finalized. Please contact M	tal review process required by the California Environmental Quality opportunity to respond to the preliminary determination before it is Matt Johnston, Environmental Coordinator at (831) 454-3201, if you eliminary determination. Written comments will be received until 5:00 review period.
Review Period Ends:	May 19, 2010
	Annette Olson, staff planner
Phone:	(831) 454-3134
Date:	April 30, 2010



Environmental Review Initial Study

Application Number: 06-0370

Date: April 26, 2010

Staff Planner: Annette Olson

I. OVERVIEW AND ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

APPLICANT: Bob Olson, County Parks

APNs: 028-041-02, 028-041-03

OWNER: County of Santa Cruz

SUPERVISORAL DISTRICT: 1

LOCATION: Property located on the south side of Felt Street (1904 Felt Street) about

400 feet east of 17th Avenue, in Santa Cruz. (Attachment 1)

SUMMARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Proposal to demolish the existing house and garage and construct a park consisting of a parking lot, accessible restroom, accessible play area, bocce courts, skate park, group picnic area, community garden, fences, signage, art features, and various drainage and landscaping improvements.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ARE EVALUATED IN THIS INITIAL STUDY. CATEGORIES THAT ARE MARKED HAVE BEEN ANALYZED IN GREATER DETAIL BASED ON PROJECT SPECIFIC INFORMATION.

Geology/Soils	_X Noise
X Hydrology/Water Supply/Water Quality	Air Quality
Biological Resources	Public Services & Utilities
Energy & Natural Resources	Land Use, Population & Housing
Visual Resources & Aesthetics	Cumulative Impacts
Cultural Resources	Growth Inducement
Hazards & Hazardous Materials	Mandatory Findings of Significance
Transportation/Traffic	
Energy & Natural Resources Visual Resources & Aesthetics Cultural Resources Hazards & Hazardous Materials	Land Use, Population & Housi Cumulative Impacts Growth Inducement

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DISCRETIONARY APPROVAL(S) BEING CONSIDERED

General Plan Amendment	X Grading Permit
Land Division	Riparian Exception
Rezoning	X Other: Master Site Plan Approval
X Development Permit	X Variance
X Coastal Development Permit	X Significant Tree Removal
NON-LOCAL APPROVALS Other agencies that must issue permits or accontrol Board	uthorizations: Regional Water Quality
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW ACTION On the basis of this Initial Study and support	ing documents:
I find that the proposed project COULD environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARAT	
☐ I find that although the proposed project environment, there will not be a significant emitigation measures have been added to the DECLARATION will be prepared.	
I find that the proposed project MAY ha and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPOR	ive a significant effect on the environment, RT is required.
Matt Johnston	4/27/2010 Date

For: Claudia Slater

Environmental Coordinator

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II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

ΕX	IST	ING	SITE	COND	ITIONS

Parcel Size: 78,081 square feet (total of both parcels)

Existing Land Use: Single-family dwelling **Vegetation:** grasses, eucalyptus, fruit trees

Slope in area affected by project: X = 0 - 30% 31 – 100%

Nearby Watercourse: Arana Gulch; Monterey Bay; Rodeo Creek Gulch

Distance To: Respectively: 2,300 feet to west; 2,500 feet to south; 2,000 feet to east

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND CONSTRAINTS

Groundwater Supply: N/A

Water Supply Watershed: Not mapped Groundwater Recharge: Not mapped

Timber or Mineral: Not mapped
Agricultural Resource: Not mapped
Biologically Sensitive Habitat: Not

mapped; none seen on-site Fire Hazard: Not mapped Floodplain: Not mapped Erosion: Not mapped

Landslide: Not mapped

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Liquefaction: Mapped as low potential

Fault Zone: Not mapped Scenic Corridor: Not mapped Historic: No historic resource on site

Archaeology: Not Mapped
Noise Constraint: Not mapped,
Acoustical study completed
Electric Power Lines: N/A
Solar Access: Adequate

Solar Orientation: Southern exposure

Hazardous Materials: N/A

SERVICES

Fire Protection: Central FPD School District: Live Oak USD

Sewage Disposal: Santa Cruz County

Sanitation District

Drainage District: Zone 5
Project Access: Felt Street

Water Supply: City of Santa Cruz

PLANNING POLICIES

Zone District: PR General Plan: O-R

Urban Services Line: Coastal Zone:

X Inside

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Special Designation: None

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PROJECT SETTING AND BACKGROUND:

The subject property is approximately 78,081 square feet (1.8 acres) in area and is located on the south side of Felt Street, about 400 feet east of 17th Avenue in Santa Cruz. The project site is composed of two parcels. APN 028-041-02 (the eastern parcel) is about 35,618 and is developed with a single-family dwelling and detached garage which are both accessed via Felt Street. APN 028-041-03 is about 42,463 square feet and is vacant. The site has slopes of 0-2 percent, with the most significant vegetation being eucalyptus and fruit trees.

Although the current use is residential, both properties are zoned PR (Parks, Recreation and Open Space) and have a General Plan Designation of O-R (Parks, Recreation and Open Space). The parcels are specifically identified in the General Plan as having a preferred use as a neighborhood park (Figure 2-5, Page 2-50) and, if developed as a park, are required to have a pedestrian connection to the adjacent Del Mar School site.

Few permits have been issued for the subject parcels. In 1990, a plumbing permit was finalled for the dwelling on APN 028-041-02. In March 2006, a Significant Tree removal permit allowed for the removal of three dead eucalyptus trees.

The uses surrounding the property are a church to the west; single-family residential to the north, northwest and east; multi-family residential to the northeast, and an elementary school to the south. An informal series of dirt paths connects Felt Street and the southern entrance of Del Mar Elementary through the subject parcel. Monterey Bay is located about 2,500 feet to the south.

DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The project description is based upon a plan set by John Cahalan, landscape architect, dated 10/22/09 with civil engineering completed by David B. Voorhies of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc. The restroom is the only building proposed. It is proposed to be a prefabricated structure by Romtec. Spohn Ranch designed the skate park.

This application is a proposal to construct a neighborhood park on two adjacent parcels where one single-family dwelling and a garage currently exist. Neighborhood parks are intended to serve the residents within one-half mile of the park site, in this case, serving a population of between 1,500 to 2,000 people.

The park would consist of: a 21,240 square foot lawn area which is not designed or intended for organized sports, children's play areas for both 2-5 year olds and 5-12 year olds, two bocce courts, a 2,352 square foot skate park, a group picnic area with barbeques, an 18-plot community garden, a paved and accessible path connecting Felt Street and Del Mar Elementary, an eight-stall parking lot with one accessible parking space, accessible male and female restrooms, fences, signage, art features, and

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various drainage and landscaping improvements. The required permits are: Development Permit (Master Site Plan), Coastal Development Permit and Variance to allow for about 39% impervious surfacing instead of the 20% allowed by County Code and to reduce the front yard setback from the required 30 feet to about 19 feet to allow for a skateboard area. The only off-site improvements proposed is a crosswalk across Felt Street to provide safe access for pedestrians approaching the park from the north. The park would be open from dawn to dusk with maintenance provided by the County Parks Department. The County Sheriff Department would be responsible for enforcing park rules and regulations.

To prepare the site for the park, the existing dwelling and garage would be demolished, and two Significant Trees and several smaller trees would be removed. The park would have 30,988 square feet of impervious area and 47,103 square feet of pervious surfaces. To control runoff from the impervious area, a series of swales, inlets and detention pipes would be utilized. About 600 cubic yards of both cut and fill (balanced on-site) would be graded to establish the finish grades of the parking lot and concrete walkways and the slopes required for the vegetative swales. Along the perimeter of the park, the vegetative swales would direct runoff from the parking lot and other improvements to inlets. These inlets would connect to a pipe system that is oversized to provide adequate capacity for detention. The pre-development release rate would be maintained by reducing the outflow pipe from 24-inches to four inches. This drainage plan represents a minor diversion of stormwater as the property naturally drains to the south but the drainage pipes would be sloped such that the stormwater would flow north to the Felt Street storm drain system. The Department of Public Works has reviewed and accepted the proposed plan.

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III. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW CHECKLIST

A. Geology and Soils

Does the project have the potential to:

- Expose people or structures to potential adverse effects, including the risk of material loss, injury, or death involving:
 - a. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or as identified by other substantial evidence?

X_____

b. Seismic ground shaking?

X

c. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?

Χ

d. Landslides?

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All of Santa Cruz County is subject to some hazard from earthquakes. However, the project site is not located within or adjacent to a County or state mapped fault zone. For this reason the potential for rupture of a known earthquake fault is unlikely to occur on the subject property. The improvements would be designed in accordance with the California Building Code, which should mitigate the hazards of seismic shaking and liquefaction to a less than significant level. There is no indication that landsliding is a significant hazard at this site.

 Subject people or improvements to damage from soil instability as a result of on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, to subsidence, liquefaction, or structural collapse?

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See responses A-1-b, A-1-c & A-1-d.

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3.	Develop land with a slope exceeding 30%?				X
There	e are no slopes exceeding 30% on the subj	ect parce	l .		
4.	Result in soil erosion or the substantial loss of topsoil?			X	
provid	n that the slopes on site are from 0-2% and ded a preliminary erosion control plan, soil il is not anticipated.				
5.	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in section 1802.3.2 of the California Building Code, creating substantial risks to property?			X	
expar	e is no indication that the development sitensive soils. In addition, a pre-fabricated resing for the project.	_			
6.	Place sewage disposal systems in areas dependent upon soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks, leach fields, or alternative waste water disposal systems?			X	
Sanita conne	eptic systems are proposed. The project wation District, and the applicant would be reaction and service fees that fund sanitation ition of Approval for the project.	equired to	pay standa	ard sewer	-
7.	Result in coastal cliff erosion?				X
The s	ubject parcels are not located on a coastal	cliff.			
	ydrology, Water Supply and Water Qualithe project have the potential to:	ity			
1.	Place development within a 100-year flood hazard area?			X	
	ding to the Federal Emergency Manageme ance Rate Map, dated March 2, 2006, no p	-			

100-year flood hazard area.

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2.	Place development within the floodway resulting in impedance or redirection of flood flows?			X	
Insura	ding to the Federal Emergency Manageme ince Rate Map, dated March 2, 2006, no pe ear flood hazard area.	_			
3.	Be inundated by a seiche or tsunami?		<u> </u>	X	
west of locate tsunar directe coasta	ding to the Santa Cruz Office of Emergence coast of north America, a tsunami can react at an elevation of approximately 60 feet an impossion of approximately 60 feet and would be mitigated by the fact that most and Logan Creek to the west and Rodeo all bluff and existing structures that line the ne tsunami and reduce its impact upon the	h heights above me of the tsu Creek to coast sou	of up to 10 ean sea leve unami's for the east. In th of the pr	0 feet. The im ce would be addition,	e site is pact of a pe the
4.	Deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit, or a significant contribution to an existing net deficit in available supply, or a significant lowering of the local groundwater table?	·		X	
not rel demar are av	roject would obtain water from City of Santa y on private well water. Although the proje nd, City of Santa Cruz Water Department h ailable to serve the project (Attachment 5). ed groundwater recharge area.	ect would as indica	incrementa ted that add	illy increas equate su	se water pplies
5.	Degrade a public or private water supply? (Including the contribution of urban contaminants, nutrient enrichments, or other agricultural chemicals or seawater intrusion).			X	

County Code section 16.22 (Erosion Control) requires the preparation an implementation of an erosion control plan for all projects involving ground disturbance. Potential siltation from the proposed project would be mitigated through implementation of the required erosion control plan.

Park maintenance involves the use of antimicrobial soaps, fertilizers and Category 1

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(caution) pesticides. These products are regulated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and, based upon those standards, a less than significant impact is anticipated to affect the water supply. To reduce the amount of pesticides used, the County Parks Department uses integrated pest management (IPM). IPM is a pest management strategy that prevents or suppresses pest problems through a combination of techniques such as monitoring for pests, using non-chemical practices to make the habitat less inviting to the pest, improving sanitation, and employing mechanical and physical controls.

The parking and driveway associated with the project would incrementally contribute urban pollutants to the environment; however, the contribution would be minimal given the size of the driveway and parking area. A silt and grease trap, and a plan for maintenance, would be required by the Department of Public Works to reduce this impact to a less than significant level.

6.	Degrade septic system functioning?	 X
There	are no septic systems in the area.	
7.	Alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which could result in flooding, erosion, or siltation on or off-site?	X

The drainage plan proposes a small diversion that would not affect the overall drainage pattern for the area. The park site slopes from north to south, but the proposed drainage pipes would be placed to slope from south to north. This is to facilitate the park connecting to the existing storm drain system in Felt Street. To the south is Del Mar Elementary school's track field. No storm drain facility is available on the school property and ponding on the track and field is already a problem during winter months. The ultimate destination of the runoff in both scenarios (i.e. in the natural pattern and in the proposed diversion) is Rodeo Creek Gulch. From there, the Monterey Bay is less than 2500 feet away. The proposed diversion would not alter the existing drainage pattern of the broader area in a manner which could result in flooding, erosion, or siltation on- or off-site.

8.	Create or contribute runoff which			
	would exceed the capacity of existing			
	or planned storm water drainage			
	systems, or create additional source(s)			
	of polluted runoff?		Χ	

Drainage Calculations prepared by Dave Voorhies, revised to June 13, 2008, have been reviewed for potential drainage impacts and accepted by the Department of

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Public Works (DPW) Drainage Section staff. The calculations show that the predevelopment runoff flow rate for the entire site for the five year storm event as being .94 cubic feet per second (cfs). The 10 year storm post-development rate is calculated to be 1.71 cfs. The runoff rate from the property would be controlled by first encouraging on-site infiltration and then detaining runoff on-site and releasing it through an orifice sized to maintain the pre-development runoff rate. In this case, the outflow rate would be .32 cfs, which is below the existing five-year storm release rate. DPW staff have determined that existing storm water facilities are adequate to handle the increase in drainage associated with the project. Refer to response B-5 for discussion of urban contaminants and/or other polluting runoff.

9.	Contribute to flood levels or erosion in natural water courses by discharges of newly collected runoff?	 	х
See re	esponse B-8.		
10.	Otherwise substantially degrade water supply or quality?	 	х

A silt and grease trap, and a plan for maintenance, would be required by the Department of Public Works to minimize the effects of urban pollutants.

C. Biological Resources

Does the project have the potential to:

 Have an adverse effect on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species, in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game, or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?

X

Although the California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDB), maintained by the California Department of Fish and Game shows that the Zayante band-winged grasshopper and the white-rayed pentachaeta are mapped as being on the subject and adjacent properties, these species are associated with sandhills habitat which is not present in the area. The CNDDB also maps the area as possibly supporting the pallid bat. However, none were identified on-site and the favored habitat of the bat is desert rock outcrops of which there are none on-site or nearby.

Although there are eucalyptus trees on the project site which can provide habitat to the monarch butterfly, a state species of concern, none was observed on-site. In addition, to provide overwintering habitat for the monarch butterfly, stand-alone eucalyptus trees

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	ot adequate; the monarch butterfly requires cro-climate and wind protection needed by	_		in order t	o create
2.	Have an adverse effect on a sensitive biotic community (riparian corridor), wetland, native grassland, special forests, intertidal zone, etc.)?			X	
There projec	are no mapped or designated sensitive biont t site.	otic comm	nunities on	or adjace:	nt to the
3.	Interfere with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species, or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native or migratory wildlife nursery sites?			X	
See re	esponse C.1 above.				
4.	Produce nighttime lighting that will illuminate animal habitats?			X	
institut Simpk lighting sensiti	ubject property is located in an urbanized a tional facilities (Del Mar Elementary, a chur ins Swim Center) and residential developm g. The park is closed at night. The only nig ve security lighting to illuminate the restroc ed, no animal habitats in the vicinity would t.	rch, Shore nent that o phttime lig om area. I	eline Middle currently ge hting would Except whe	e School a enerates r d be motic en the ligh	and nighttime on- t is
5.	Make a significant contribution to the reduction of the number of species of plants or animals?			X	
See re	sponses C.1.				
6.	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources (such as the Significant Tree Protection Ordinance, Sensitive Habitat Ordinance, provisions of the Design Review ordinance protecting trees with trunk sizes of 6 inch diameters or greater)?		X		

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County Code 13.11.075(a)(2)I requires the retention of trees greater than six inches in diameter at breast height unless the trees are dead, dying or diseased; would obstruct solar access; or if the tree(s) obstruct the prime building site to provide a better project design not possible without the tree removal. In addition, to this regulation, for projects within the Coastal Zone, trees which are 20" in diameter at breast height, are considered to be "Significant Trees" and are protected unless the required findings in County Code 16.34.060 can be made. James P. Allen & Associates completed an Arborist Report for the project which included an inventory of and recommendations for the trees on-site and three trees on the parcel to the west (see Attachment 7).

In this case, the following trees which are less than six inches in diameter at breast height are proposed for removal: two oaks, an acacia, a walnut, a golden rain, and a pear tree. These trees are not required to be retained; they were, however, evaluated by James P. Allen in his arborist report. All, except the acacia and golden rain, were evaluated as having "poor" health, structure and suitability. The acacia and golden rain trees were evaluated as having fair health, poor structure and poor suitability.

In addition to these tree removals are three trees which are greater than six inches in diameter at breast height. They are: two walnut trees, each with four trunks; and a golden rain tree with a double trunk (trees 8, 11 and 12 in the arborist report). These trees all were graded as being in fair or poor health, structure and suitability.

The final category of tree removals are the three trees which are considered to be Significant Trees. These are a multi-trunk plum tree, a eucalyptus, and a double trunk eucalyptus tree (trees 4, 5 and 10 in the arborist report). For trees 4 and 10, the trees received grades of fair health but poor structure and suitability. Tree 5 is identified as having poor trunk / stem attachment. All three were identified as having a risk of failure, which is an unacceptable hazard at a public park.

To mitigate the impact of these tree removals, 57 replacement trees will be included in the landscape plan. Prior to Building Permit issuance, the applicant shall provide an updated planting plan showing at least 57 trees. In addition, the plans shall reflect the project arborist's tree protection recommendations and detail a monitoring program for the replacement trees. The monitoring program shall show that a qualified professional shall monitor the replacement trees for five years at six month intervals. One hundred percent survival rate is required and shall be implemented according to the recommendations in the arborist's report.

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7.	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Biotic Conservation Easement, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				X
	nergy and Natural Resources the project have the potential to:				
1.	Affect or be affected by land designated as "Timber Resources" by the General Plan?				X
2.	Affect or be affected by lands currently utilized for agriculture, or designated in the General Plan for agricultural use?				X
	roject site is not currently being used for a sed for the site or surrounding vicinity.	griculture	and no agri	icultural us	ses are
3.	Encourage activities that result in the use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy, or use of these in a wasteful manner?			X	
The primary resource that would be used at the park is water. All of the landscape irrigation would comply with the City of Santa Cruz's Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. In addition, the toilets and urinals would be low-flow fixtures.					
4.	Have a substantial effect on the potential use, extraction, or depletion of a natural resource (i.e., minerals or energy resources)?				X

No natural resources such as minerals or energy resources are available or mined in the vicinity.

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	sual Resources and Aesthetics the project have the potential to:				
1.	Have an adverse effect on a scenic resource, including visual obstruction of that resource?				X
sight	roject site is neither mapped as being a sc of any scenic resource. Therefore, the projection scenic resource.				
2.	Substantially damage scenic resources, within a designated scenic corridor or public view shed area including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings?			X	
See re	esponse E-1.				
3.	Degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings, including substantial change in topography or ground surface relief features, and/or development on a ridge line?			X	
result propo visual	isual character and quality of the site and it of the project. The existing single-family do sed park, which includes substantial areas character of both the site and the surround se in topography is proposed and the projec	welling is of landso ding neigh	not well ma aping, wou aborhood. N	aintained a ild enhand No substai	and the se the ntial
4.	Create a new source of light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			X	
source of the	motion-activated nighttime lighting is propo- e of glare would be from the skylights in the structure and the height from where it wou ists, the potential glare of these skylights is	e restroon Ild be viev	n structure. ved by ped	Given the estrians a	e height
5.	Destroy, cover, or modify any unique geologic or physical feature?				×

There are no unique geological or physical features on or adjacent to the site that

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would	d be destroyed, covered, or modified by the	project.				
	ultural Resources the project have the potential to:					
1.	Cause an adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in CEQA Guidelines 15064.5?			X		
	existing structures on the property are not dederal, state or local inventory.	esignated	l as a histo	ric resour	ce on	
2.	Cause an adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15064.5?		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	X		
The project site is not mapped as having the potential to contain archaeological resources and no archaeological resources have been identified on the subject parcels. However, pursuant to Section 16.40.040 of the Santa Cruz County Code, if archeological resources are uncovered during construction, the responsible persons shall immediately cease and desist from all further site excavation and comply with the notification procedures given in County Code Chapter 16.40.040.						
3.	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?			X		
See response F-2. Pursuant to Section 16.40.040 of the Santa Cruz County Code, if at any time during site preparation, excavation, or other ground disturbance associated with this project, human remains are discovered, the responsible persons shall immediately cease and desist from all further site excavation and notify the sheriff-coroner and the Planning Director. If the coroner determines that the remains are not of recent origin, a full archeological report shall be prepared and representatives of the local Native California Indian group shall be contacted. Disturbance shall not resume until the significance of the archeological resource is determined and appropriate mitigations to preserve the resource on the site are established.						
4.	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site?			X		
No pa	lleontological resources have been mapped	d or identi	fied on the	project sit	te.	

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	azards and Hazardous Materials the project have the potential to:				
1.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment as a result of the routine transport, storage, use, or disposal of hazardous materials, not including gasoline or other motor fuels?			X	
Categ Environment signification pestication (IPM). through	maintenance involves the application of ant pory 1 pesticides. Category 1 products are remembered Protection Agency and, based uplicant impact is anticipated to affect the waterides used, the County Parks Department up. IPM is a pest management strategy that per a combination of techniques such as modes to make the habitat less inviting to the paying mechanical and physical controls	regulated on those er supply. ises integ prevents conitoring f	by the Unistandards, To reduce rated pest or suppress or pests, us	ted States a less tha the amou managem es pest pr sing non-c	an ant of ent roblems chemical
2.	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?			X	
-	roject site is not included on the 1/14/09 listy compiled pursuant to the specified code.		dous sites	in Santa (Cruz
3.	Create a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area as a result of dangers from aircraft using a public or private airport located within two miles of the project site?				X
No pu	blic or private airport is located within two r	miles of th	ne project s	ite.	
4.	Expose people to electro-magnetic fields associated with electrical transmission lines?				X

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5.	Create a potential fire hazard?			X				
The project design incorporates all applicable fire safety code requirements and would include fire protection devices as required by the local fire agency. The only structure proposed for the park is a restroom made of CMU (Concrete Masonry Unit) block, a fire restive material.								
6.	Release bio-engineered organisms or chemicals into the air outside of project buildings?				X			
	the project have the potential to:							
1.	Cause an increase in traffic that is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?			×				
intend pedes neight vehicu AM ar pedes	The proposed park is designed to serve the surrounding neighborhood and is not intended to have regional appeal. The park opening would result in an increase of pedestrian and bicycle trips, and possibly an increase in vehicle trips from surrounding neighborhoods on Felt Street, Corcoran Avenue and 17 th Avenue. Most of the vehicular trips would occur during off-peak hours (i.e. not during weekdays from 7 to 9 AM and 4 to 7 PM). Weekends are expected to be the peak use days. The volume of pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular trips is not expected to result in a significant impact on the surrounding streets or circulation system.							
2.	Cause an increase in parking demand which cannot be accommodated by existing parking facilities?			X				

As noted above, this is to be a neighborhood park, not a regional park, so most park users would walk or ride bicycles. As such, this park is not expected to generate a significant parking demand. To accommodate park users who do drive, such as the disabled, eight parking spaces would be available, including one van-accessible parking space. Limited on-street parking is available on the north side of Felt Street.

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3.	Increase hazards to motorists, bicyclists, or pedestrians?			X		
The proposed project would not increase hazards to motorists, bicyclists or pedestrians. Rather, it would reduce hazards to these groups through the provision of a new driveway with accessible wrap around, new crosswalk from the southeast corner of Aloha Lane to the park entrance, new sidewalk along the frontage, and pedestrian paths on-site. The proposed driveway and sidewalk was reviewed by the Department of Public Works, Road Engineering; DPW had no issue with the location of the driveway or with its line of sight. In addition, the informal dirt path, which currently connects Felt Street to Del Mar Elementary, would be formalized as a paved path which would make it accessible as well as reduce tripping hazards to pedestrians.						
4.	Exceed, either individually (the project alone) or cumulatively (the project combined with other development), a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated intersections, roads or highways?			X		
See r	esponse H-1.					
<u>I. No</u> Does	ise the project have the potential to:					
1.	Generate a permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?			X		

Charles M. Salter Associates, Inc (Attachment 9) completed an acoustical study for the project. The skate feature is anticipated to be the most significant generator of noise for the project. For the skate feature, the day / night average (DNL) at the nearest property lines is anticipated to increase by a maximum of .2 decibels over the existing DNL. The future DNL, including the skate feature, is calculated to be a maximum of 64 decibels at the northern property line which is below what the General Plan specifies as "normally acceptable" for neighborhood parks and playgrounds. The maximum noise anticipated to come from the skate feature is predicted to be at or below the existing environmental noise sources. Note that no nighttime noise generation is anticipated as the park is closed from dusk to dawn.

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2.	Expose people to noise levels in excess of standards established in the General Plan, or applicable standards of other agencies?			X				
See re	esponse I-1.							
3.	Generate a temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?			X				
Noise generated during construction would increase the ambient noise levels for adjoining areas. Construction would be temporary, however, and given the limited duration of this impact it is considered to be less than significant.								
J. Air Quality Does the project have the potential to:								
1.	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?		X					

The North Central Coast Air Basin does not meet State standards for ozone and particulate matter (PM10). Therefore, the regional pollutants of concern that would be emitted by the project are ozone precursors (Volatile Organic Compounds [VOCs] and nitrogen oxides [NOx]), and dust.

Given the modest amount of new traffic that would be generated by the project there is no indication that new emissions of VOCs or NOx would exceed Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD) thresholds for these pollutants and therefore there would not be a significant contribution to an existing air quality violation.

Project construction may result in a short-term, localized decrease in air quality due to generation of dust. In order to mitigate the potential impacts of dust on air quality, standard dust control Best Management Practices shall be implemented during all grading and demolition work. Notes reflecting this shall be included in the final project plans and shall include at a minimum the following measures:

- 1. Water site as needed on a daily basis.
- 2. Cover all inactive spoils piles.
- 3. Refrain from grading on windy days (15mph or more average wind speed)
- 4. Install minimum 30 feet of 1-inch rock at site entrance and exit to prevent tracking sediment off site.

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2.	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of an adopted air quality plan?			X	
	response J-1. The project would not conflinational air quality plan.	ct with or	obstruct imp	plementat	ion of the
3.	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			X	
	ugh Del Mar Elementary is directly south or entrations are anticipated as resulting from	•	•	•	tant
4.	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?			X	
short	construction phase may generate objection period of time. Given its limited duration, by prificant.				
	ublic Services and Utilities the project have the potential to:				
1.	Result in the need for new or physically altered public facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any of the public services:				
	a. Fire protection?			X	
flamm not ar may g withou would	proposed restroom facility, to be constructed able than the existing single-family dwelling the facility of the park of the park, these events likely would occur of the park	ng and gar e in fire pro rvices on t ir elsewher icy. Theref	age. There otection sell he project see in the colore, no sign	fore, the prices. The site; howe mmunity and indicant income	oark is e park ver, and

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The County's Sheriff Department would be responsible for park security. Given that the park is closed at night and the fact that the park's location imbedded within a neighborhood where many people would be able to easily observe activities within the park, no significant increase in Sheriff services over the existing vacant lot and residential use is anticipated.							
	C.	Schools?			X		
	d.	Parks or other recreational activities?			X		
recrea	ationa	his project is for a neighborhood park, al opportunities for the area and decreal facilities in the area.				•	
	e.	Other public facilities; including the maintenance of roads?			X		
Rede ^v Felt S	Once the park site and associated improvements are constructed by the Redevelopment Agency, the Parks Department would operate and maintain the facility. Felt Street is a county-maintained roadway. Therefore, the construction of this park would not result in a significant impact to available County resources.						
2.		sult in the need for construction of values storm water drainage facilities or					
	-	ansion of existing facilities, the					
		struction of which could cause nificant environmental effects?			X		
Engina draina Public deterr	Drainage analysis of the project by David B. Voorhies, Registered Professional Engineer, of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc, concluded that no new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities would be required. Department of Public Works Drainage staff have reviewed the drainage information and have determined that downstream storm facilities are adequate to handle the increase in drainage associated with the project (Attachment 3).						
3.	new facil facil	sult in the need for construction of water or wastewater treatment lities or expansion of existing lities, the construction of which					
		ld cause significant environmental cts?			X		

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The development would be connected to the City of Santa Cruz Water Department and Santa Cruz County Sanitation District for water and sanitary sewer service.					
4.	Cause a violation of wastewater treatment standards of the Regional Water Quality Control Board?			X	
	vastewater flows from the proposed develop water treatment standards.	pment wo	uld not viol	ate any	
5.	Create a situation in which water supplies are inadequate to serve the project or provide fire protection?			X	
The water mains serving the project site provide adequate flows and pressure for fire suppression. Additionally, the local fire agency has reviewed and approved the project plans (Attachment 4), assuring conformity with fire protection standards that include minimum requirements for water supply for fire protection.					
6.	Result in inadequate access for fire protection?			X	
4). In	xisting driveway access has been approve addition, the Felt Street frontage would pro ooms which are housed in the only perman	vide adec	quate acces	ss to the	chment
7.	Make a significant contribution to a cumulative reduction of landfill capacity or ability to properly dispose of refuse?		X		
The proposed park use's contribution would be relatively small and would be of similar magnitude to that created by existing land uses around the project. However, demolition waste makes up about 22% of the waste stream entering the local landfill. To mitigate the impact of the construction waste generated by this project on the landfill's capacity, the applicant and/or property owner shall recycle and reuse materials, as appropriate, and to the maximum extent possible. Notes to this affect shall be included on the final building permit plan set. At a minimum, construction and demolition waste shall be processed through the Buena Vista Construction and Demolition Waste program.					
8.	Result in a breach of federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste management?				X

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	and Use, Population, and Housing the project have the potential to:						
1.	Conflict with any policy of the County adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?			X			
See re	esponse C-6 for information on tree remov	als.					
2.	Conflict with any County Code regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an			V			
	environmental effect?			X			
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3.	Physically divide an established community?			X			
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4.	Have a potentially significant growth inducing effect, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?			X			
are no any ne road s	The proposed project is a park intended to serve the surrounding neighborhood. Parks are not considered to be growth-inducing infrastructure. The project does not propose any new or additional units or involve extensions of utilities (e.g., water, sewer, or new road systems) into areas previously not served. Consequently, it is not expected to have a growth-inducing effect.						
5.	Displace substantial numbers of people, or amount of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			X			
	Topiacomont nousing clockmore:						

The proposed project would result in the demolition of one single-family dwelling. The

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	f one dwelling does not necessitate the cor on, this is a site zoned for a park, not a resi		_	elsewher	e. In
	REENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS I the project:				
1.	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?			X	
increa constr	roposed park project, like all development, se in green house gas emissions by usage uction. On-going green house gas emissio ty lighting and the pumping of water for irri	of fossil ins are lim	fuels during	g the proje	ect
(CAP) reduce Until the project	time, Santa Cruz County is in the process intended to establish specific emission receigneenhouse gas levels to pre-1990 levels ne CAP is completed, there are no specific t. However, the following factors, when coe any impacts of increased green house gas	duction go as requir standard nsidered	pals and ne- red under S s or criteria as a whole	cessary a B 375 leg to apply are expe	ctions to gislation. to this ected to
1.	The only structure proposed on site would proposed to be heated or cooled and ther emission of green house gas emissions.			_	
2.	The facility is intended to be a neighborhous expected to arrive by foot or bicycle.	od park a	ind most pa	ark users	are
3.	The proposed park is located in a residen vehicle trips of nearby residents that would	_			

See Item 1, above.

2.

involved in the project.

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Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose

4. Finally, the project construction would be required to comply with the Regional Air Quality Control Board emissions requirements for construction equipment

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Not Applicable

N. Non-Local Approvals

Does the project require approval of federal, state, or regional agencies?

Yes X

No

The project's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan is required to be approved by the Regional Water Quality Control Board.

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Yes ____ No _X_

Not Applicable

O. Mandatory Findings of Significance

1.	Does the project have the potential to			
1.	degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant, animal, or natural community, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?	Yes	No	X
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2.	Does the project have the potential to achieve short term, to the disadvantage of long term environmental goals? (A short term impact on the environment is one which occurs in a relatively brief, definitive period of time while long term impacts endure well into the future)	Yes	No ₁	X
3.	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable ("cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, and the effects of reasonably foreseeable future projects which have entered the Environmental Review stage)?	Yes	N o	X
4	Describe musical bayes any improved affects		-	
4.	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or			

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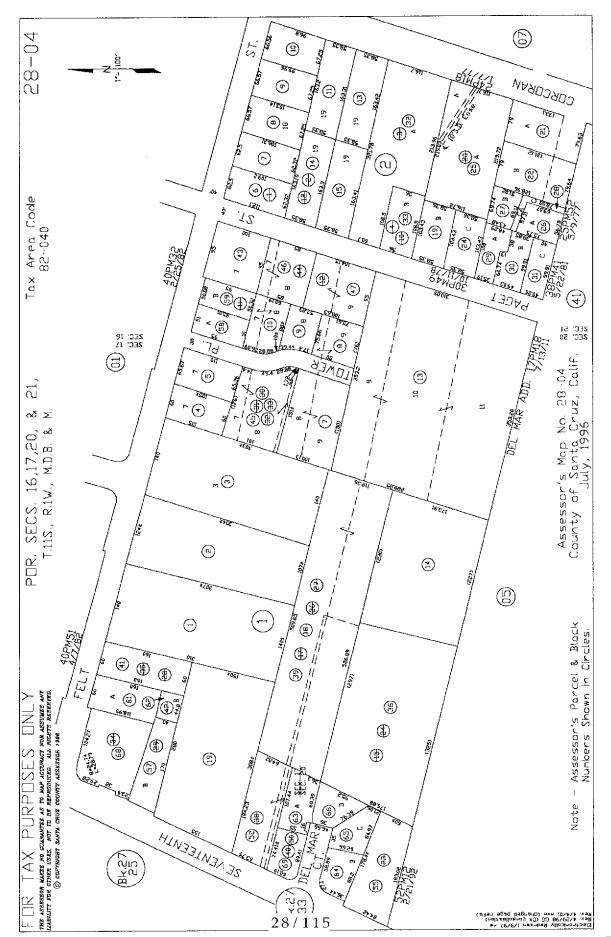
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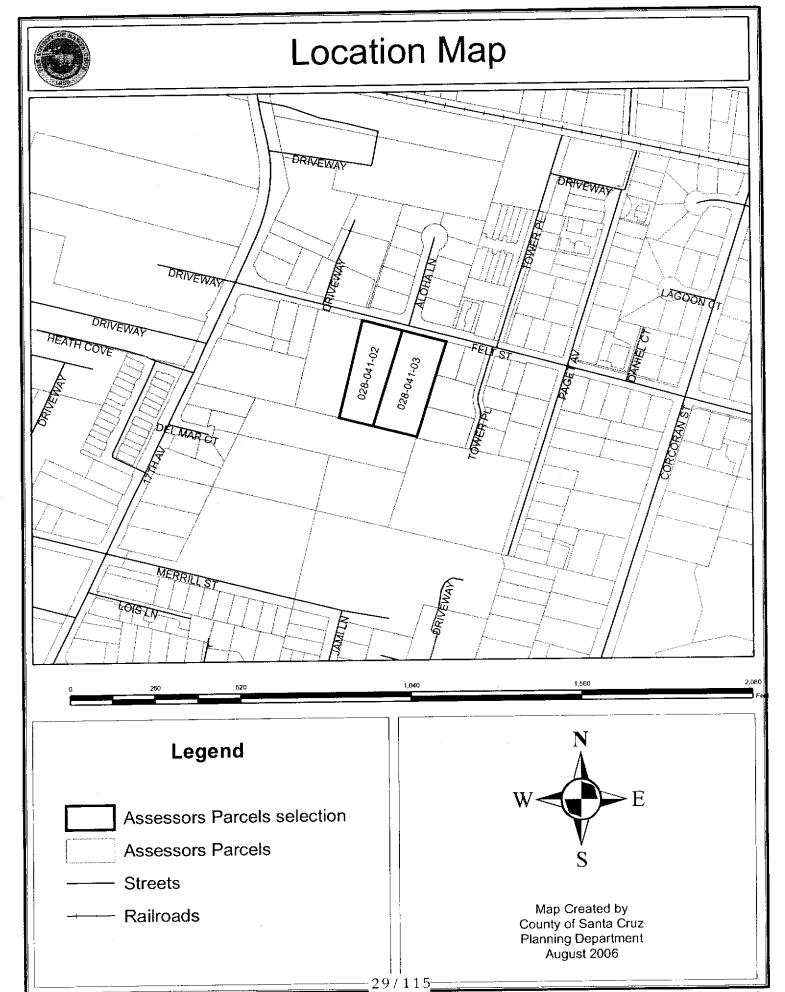
TECHNICAL REVIEW CHECKLIST

	REQUIRED	COMPLETED	<u>N/A</u>
Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission (APAC) Review			_X_
Archaeological Review			X
Biotic Report/Assessment			_X_
Geologic Hazards Assessment (GHA)			X
Geologic Report			X
Geotechnical (Soils) Report			X
Riparian Pre-Site			_X_
Septic Lot Check			_X_
Other: Arborist Report Acoustical Study		xxx xxx	<u></u>

Attachments:

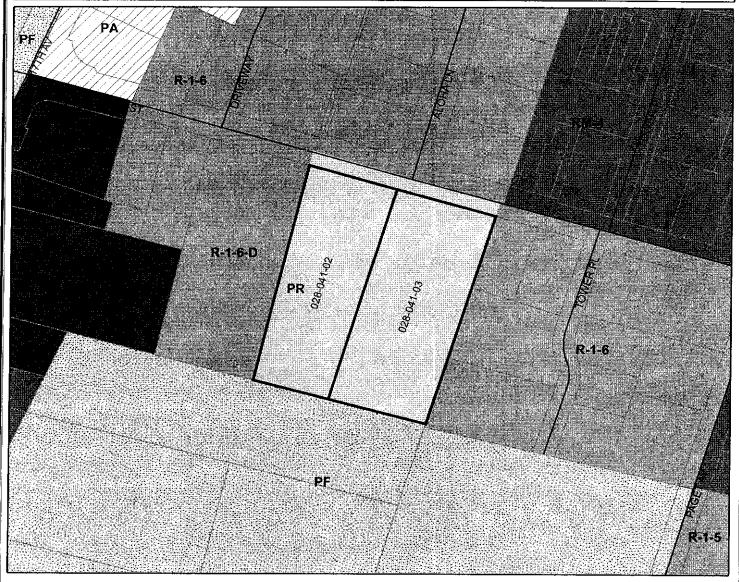
- 1. Vicinity Map, Map of Zoning Districts, Map of General Plan Designations, Assessors Parcel Map
- 2. Master Site Plan as shown on Master Site Plan by Robert Olson, Park Planner and Project Plans: prepared by John Cahalan, Landscape Architect, dated 10/22/09; Civil Engineering Plans prepared by David B. Voorhies, Registered Professional Engineer, of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc, dated 10/22/09; Survey by David B. Voorhies, Registered Professional Engineer, of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc, dated 2/22/06; Restroom design by Romtec; Skate Area Plan by Spohn Ranch.
- 3. Summary of Drainage calculations prepared by David B. Voorhies, Registered Professional Engineer, of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc, Revised to June 13, 2008 (calculations on file with the County of Santa Cruz).
- 4. Discretionary Application Comments, dated April 14, 2010
- 5. Letter from City of Santa Cruz Water District, dated April 14, 2010
- 6. Arborists Report prepared by James P. Allen, dated April 9, 2008 and Project Arborist Final Plan Review, undated.
- Parking Study (Conclusions and Recommendations) prepared by Robert Olson, Park Planner, dated March 30, 2010
- 8. Acoustical Study (Conclusions and Recommendations) prepared by Charles M. Salter, Associates, Inc., dated August 18, 2009

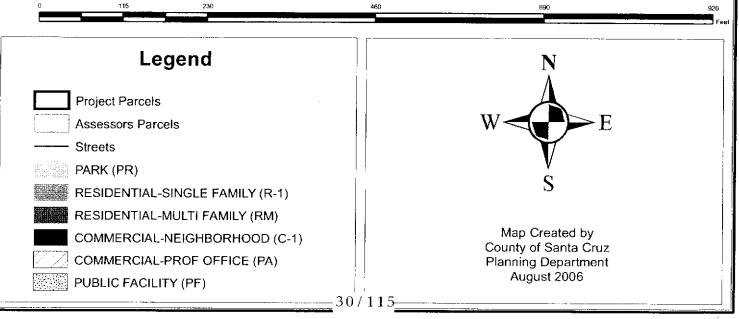






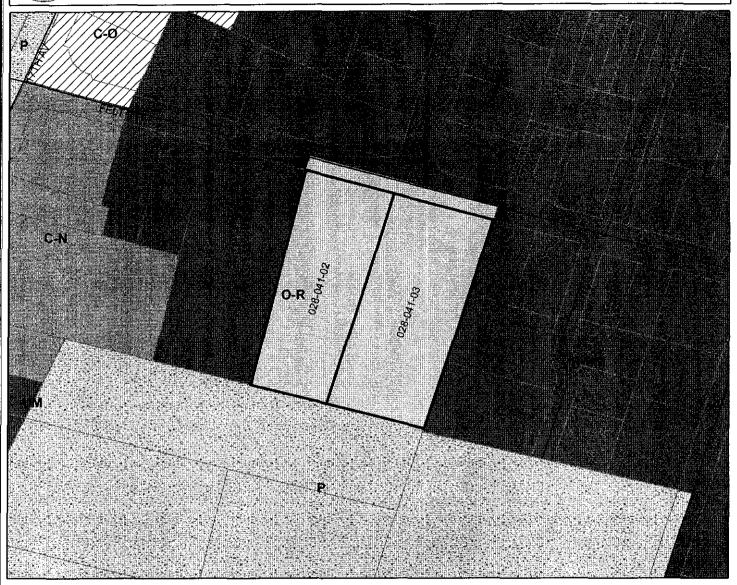
Zoning Map







General Plan Designation Map





Legend

- Assessors Parcels selection
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 - Streets
 - Parks and Recreation (O-R)
- Public Facilites (P)
- Commercial-Neighborhood (C-N)
- Residential Urban Medium Density (R-UM)
- Commercial-Office (C-O)



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Felt Street Park Master Site Plan Information

March 23, 2010

I. Proposed Park Uses:

Felt Street Park is located in the Live Oak planning Area of Santa Cruz County at 1904 Felt Street, Santa Cruz, APN 028-041-02,03. The General Plan identifies this 1.8 acre park site as a neighborhood park. Neighborhood parks are intended to serve the residents within one-half mile of the park site, serving a population between 1,500 to 2,000 people.

Felt Street Park will have a variety of recreational components serving a diverse number of needs and interests. Facilities include: a 21,240 S.F. turf area intended for general play and pick up sports. The turf area is not intended to be utilized for organized sports. Other recreational components include a children's play area for both 2-5 year olds and 5-12 year olds; a 2,352 S.F. above ground skate feature; two bocce ball courts; picnic area; an eighteen plot community garden; game table and bench area; restroom; an eight space parking lot and area landscaping consisting of native and ornamental plant material.

The park is adjacent to Del Mar Elementary School. Walking paths in the park have been designed to maintain a vital link between the neighborhood and the school. School personnel will regulate the gate that adjoins the school and the park for safe passage to and from school.

II. Construction Phasing:

The park will be built in one phase. However, the demolition of the existing structures and the development of the park will be done with two separate contracts.

III. Future Boundary Expansions:

The park is surrounded by Del Mar Elementary School to the south, Center for Conscious Living to the west, Felt Street and R-1-6 residential to the north and east. The Center for Conscious Living has an R-1-6-D zoning and is designated as PK-N in the future General Plan. In the event the owner of this site files an application to the Planning Department, this would initiate the park site review process.

IV. Provision of Adequate Access and Public Service:

The design and implementation of Felt Street Park will result in a variety of recreational facilities and opportunities and will be fully ADA compliant. Passive

park uses will include picnicking, bocce ball, game board table, reading and rest area, gardening and walking paths. Active park uses will include a children's play area for age groups 2-5 year olds and 5-12 year olds, skateboarding and pick up sports on the turf area. Restroom facilities will be provided to accommodate both female and male park users.

V. Park Management Plan

Please refer to the attached management manual.

RESTROOM PLAN / ELEVATIONS
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Parks, Open Space & Cultural Services **County of Santa Cruz**

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GENERAL NOTES

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Landscape Architect:

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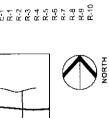
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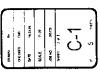
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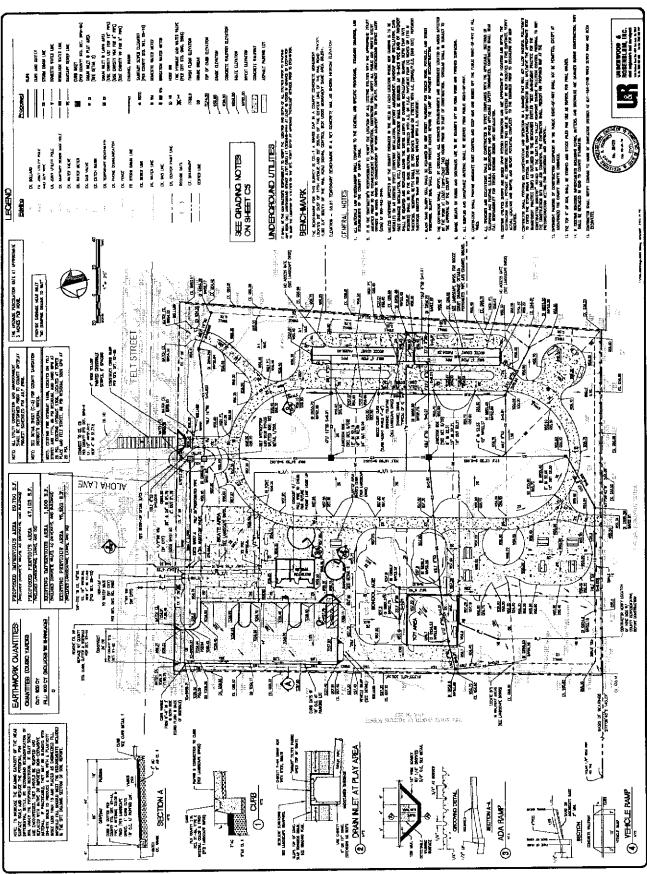
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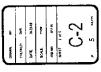


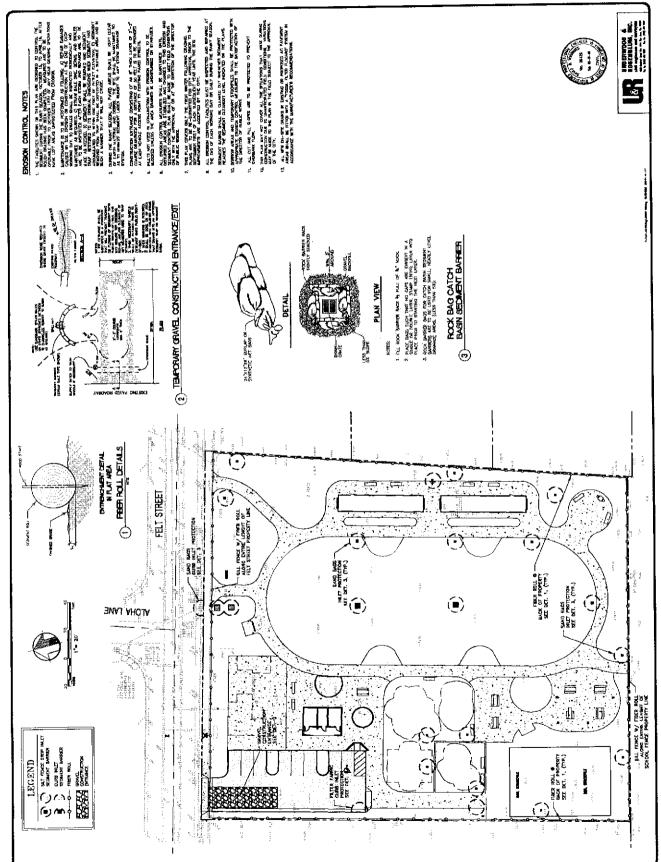


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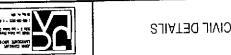
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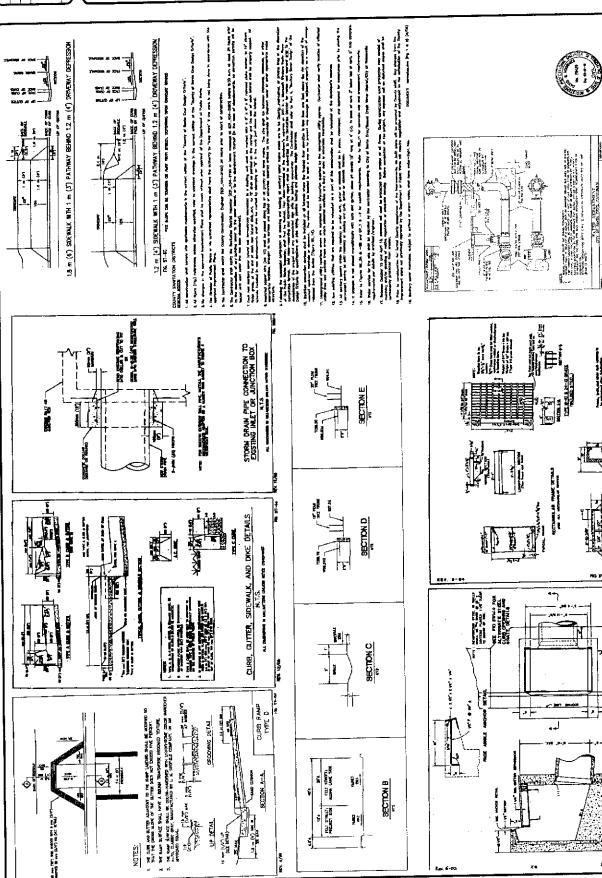
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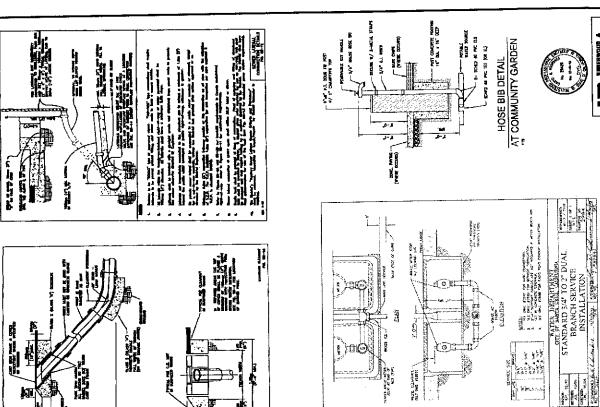
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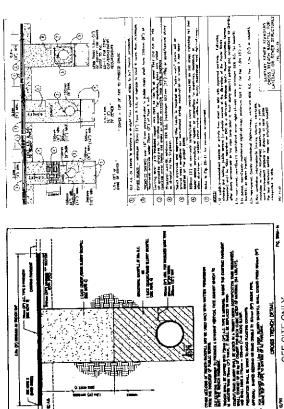
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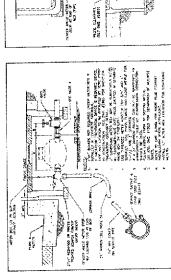
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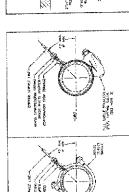


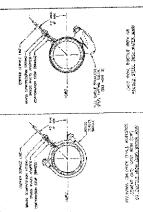


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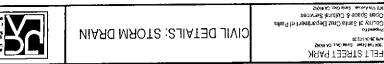
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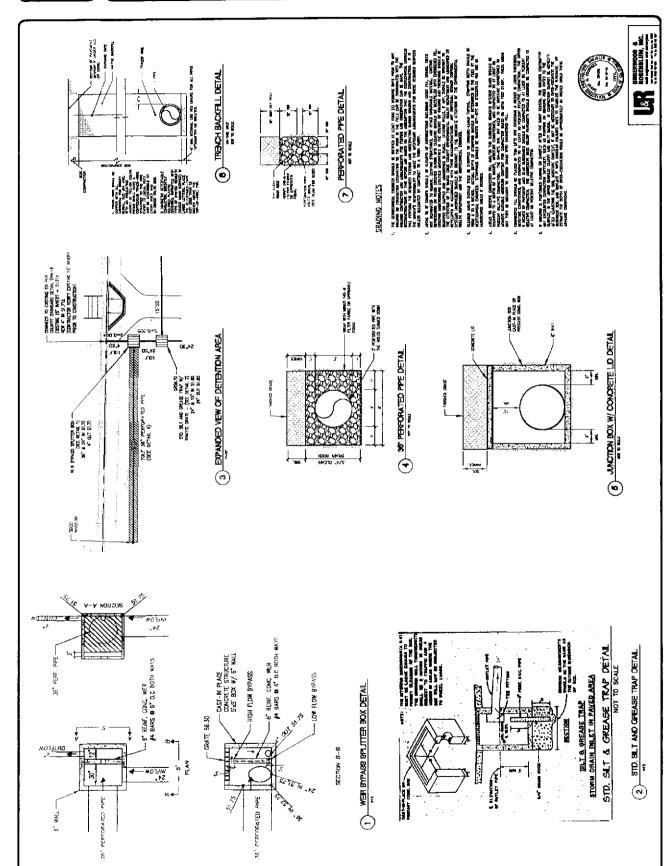
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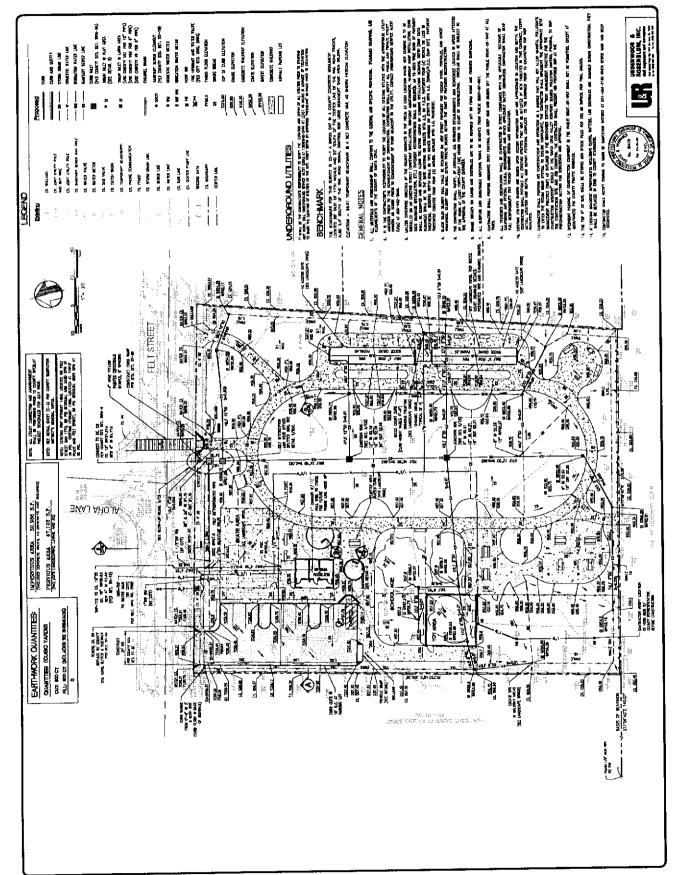


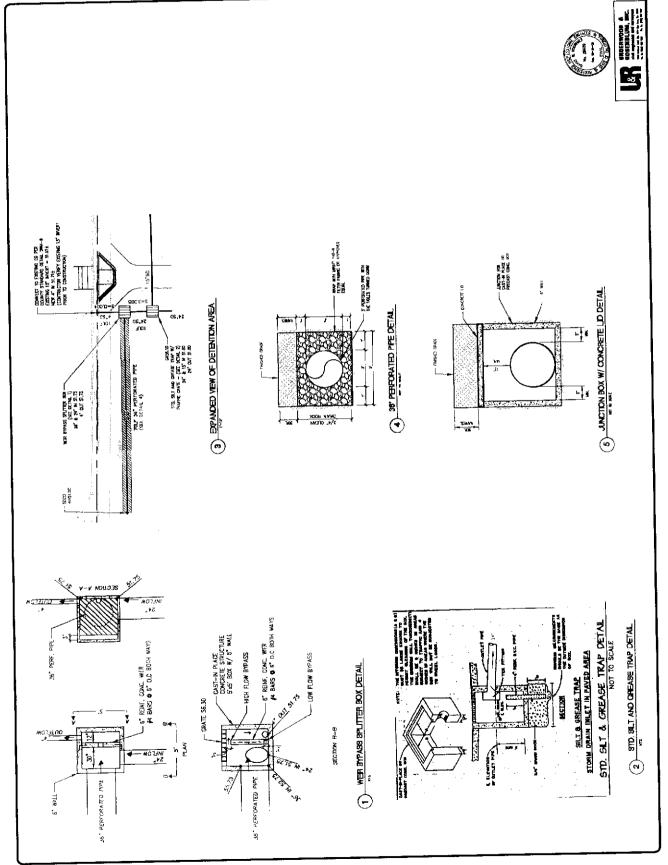


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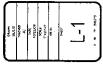
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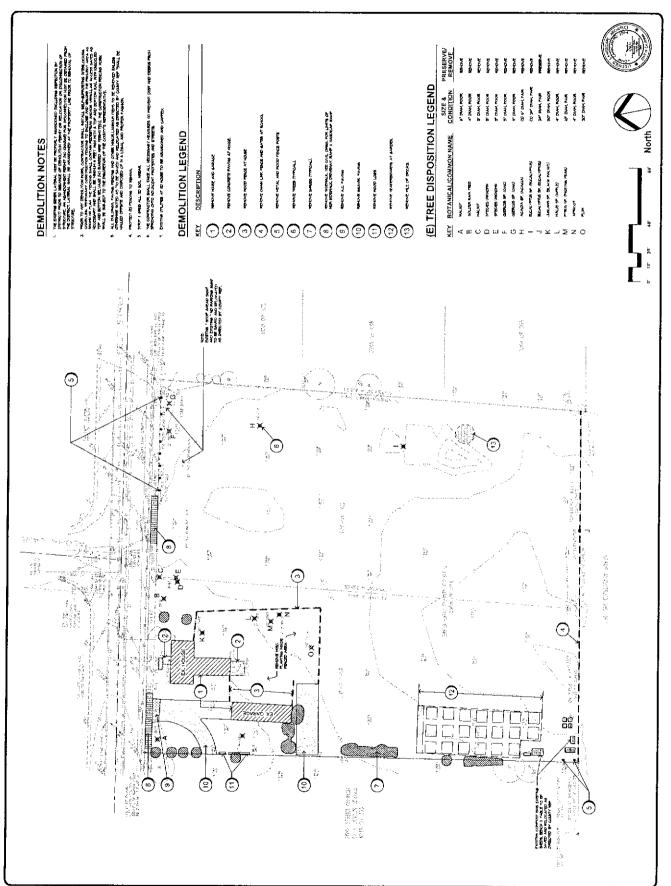


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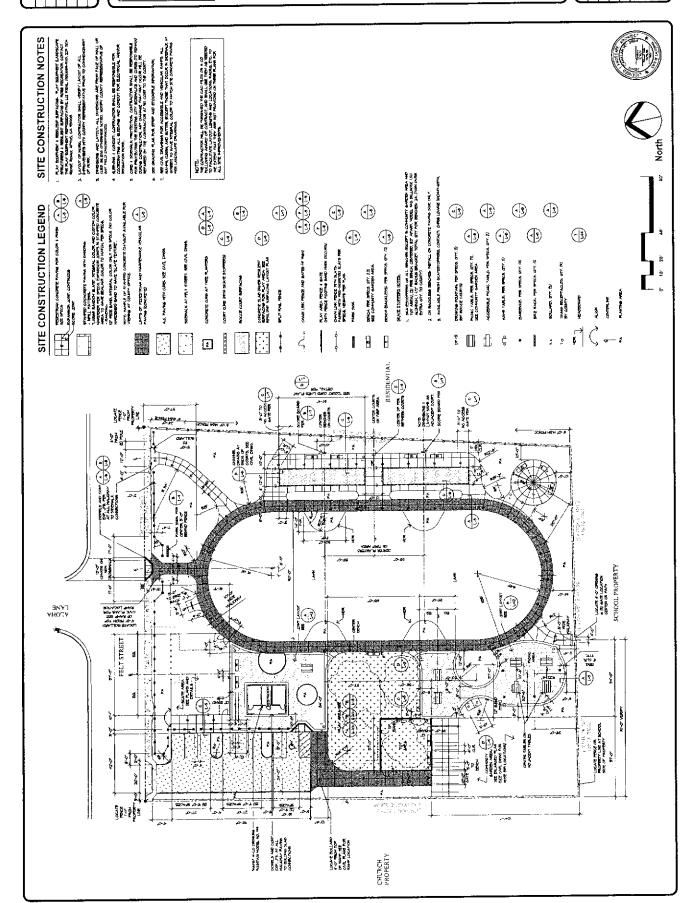


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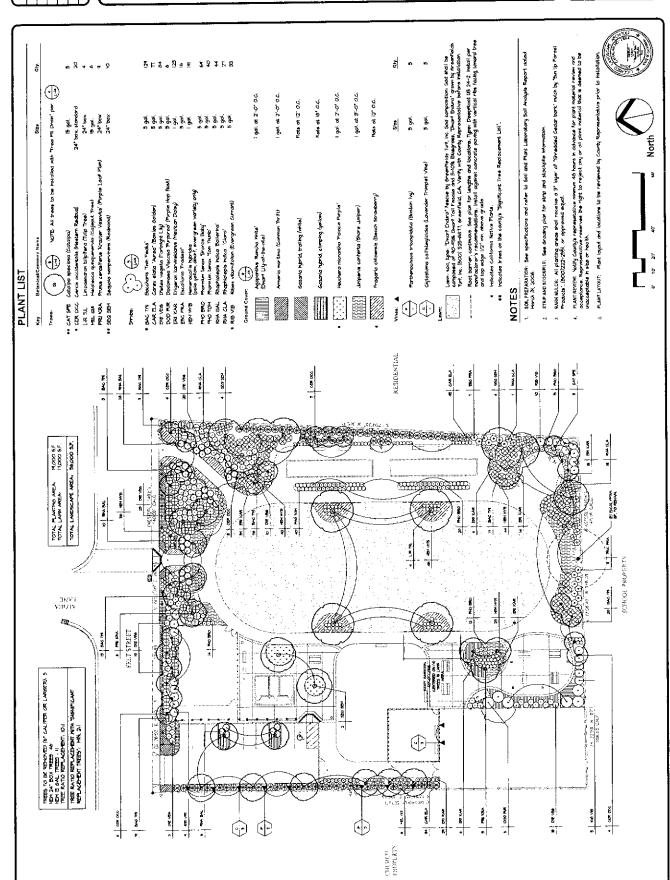


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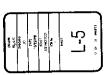
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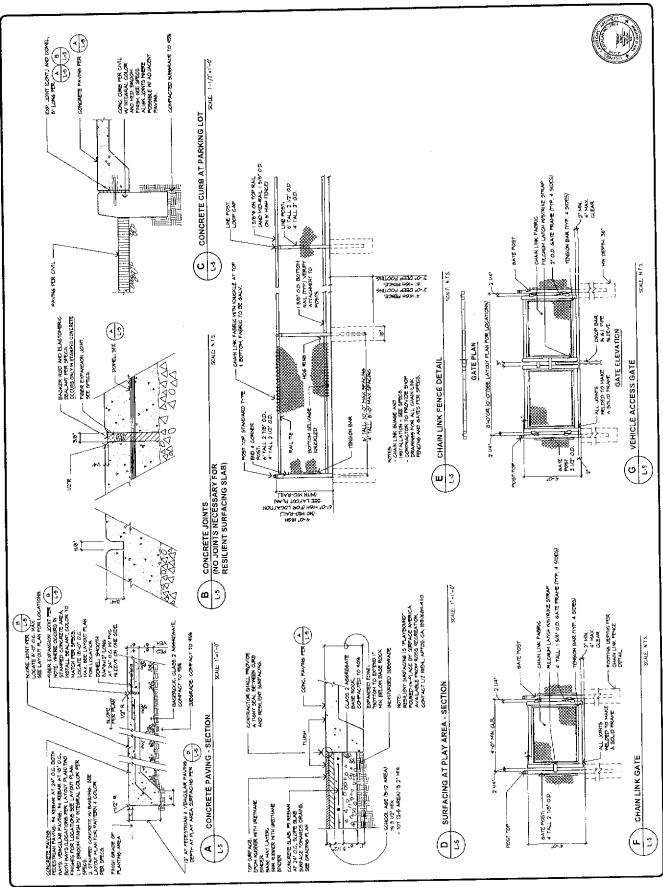
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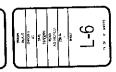


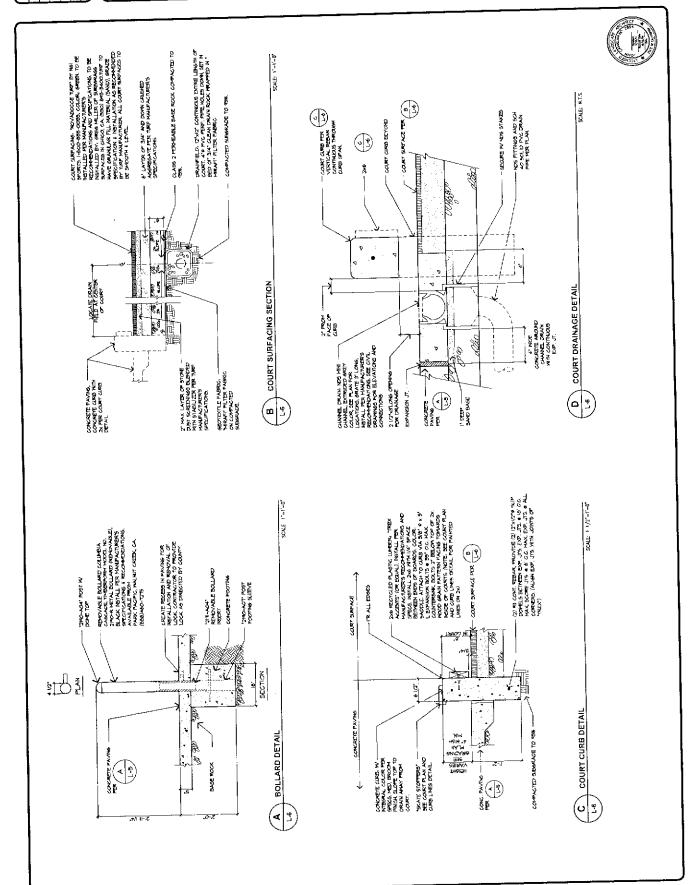


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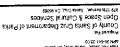




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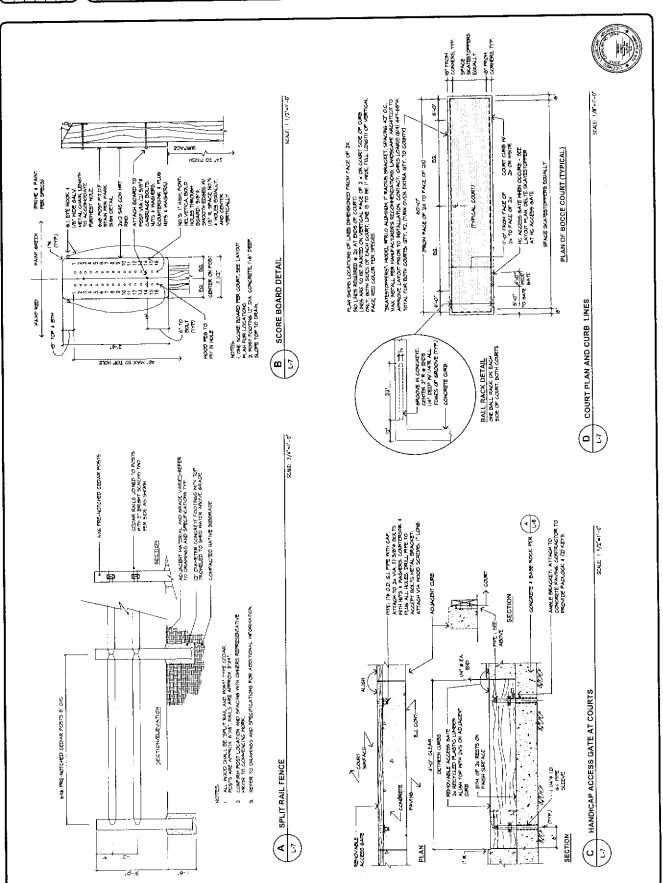
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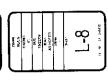


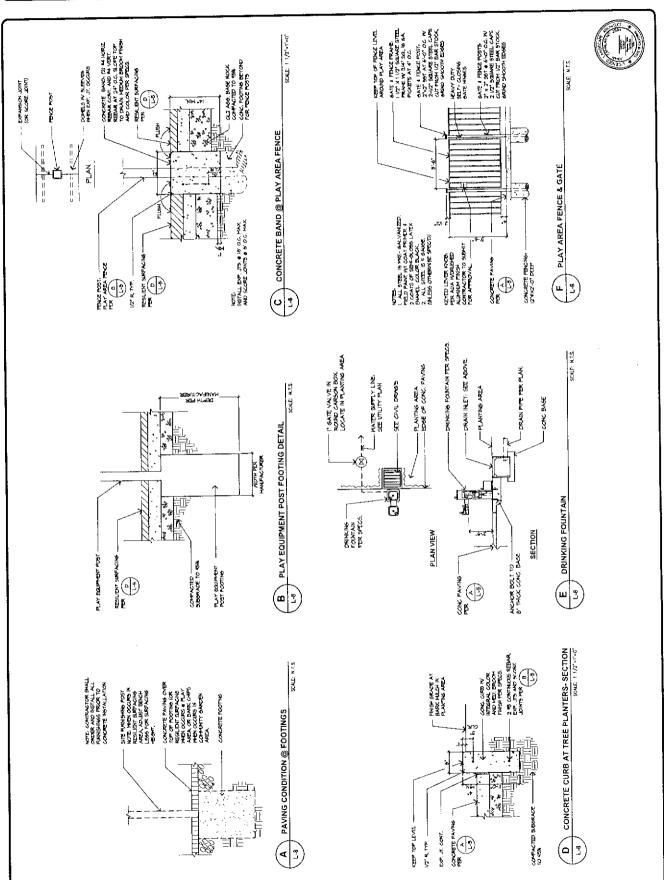




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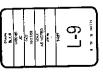
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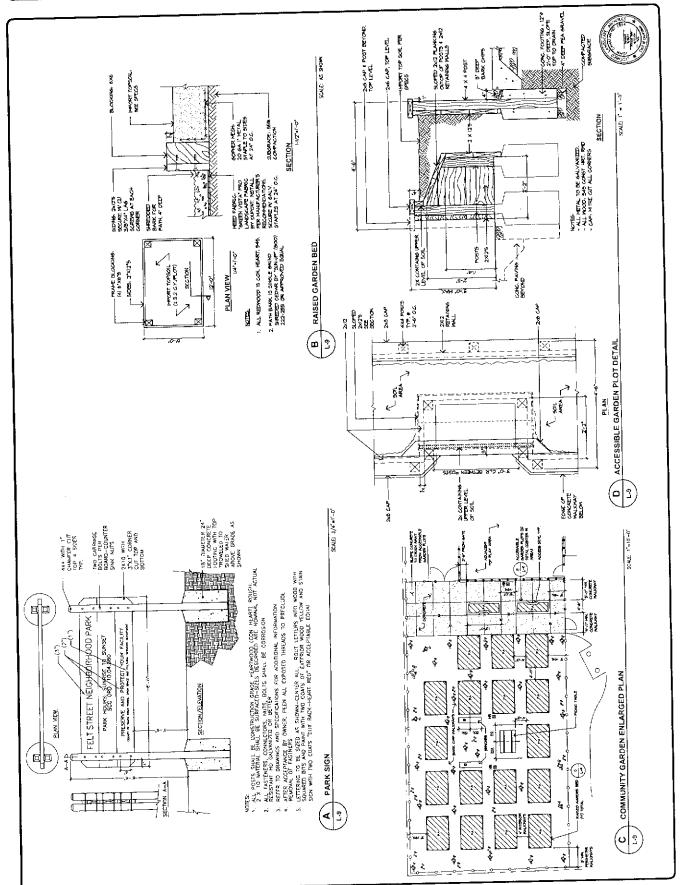




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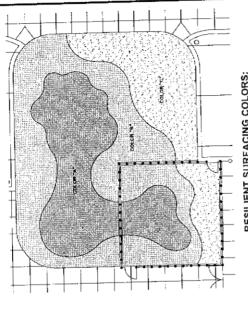
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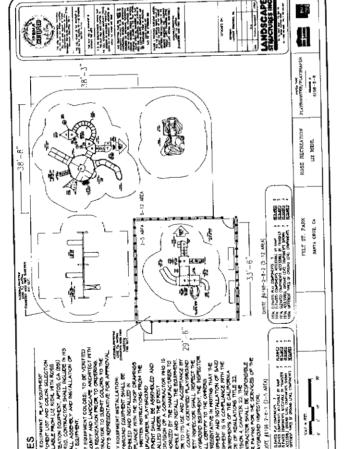
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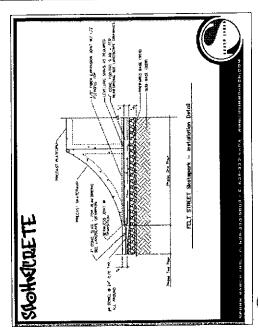
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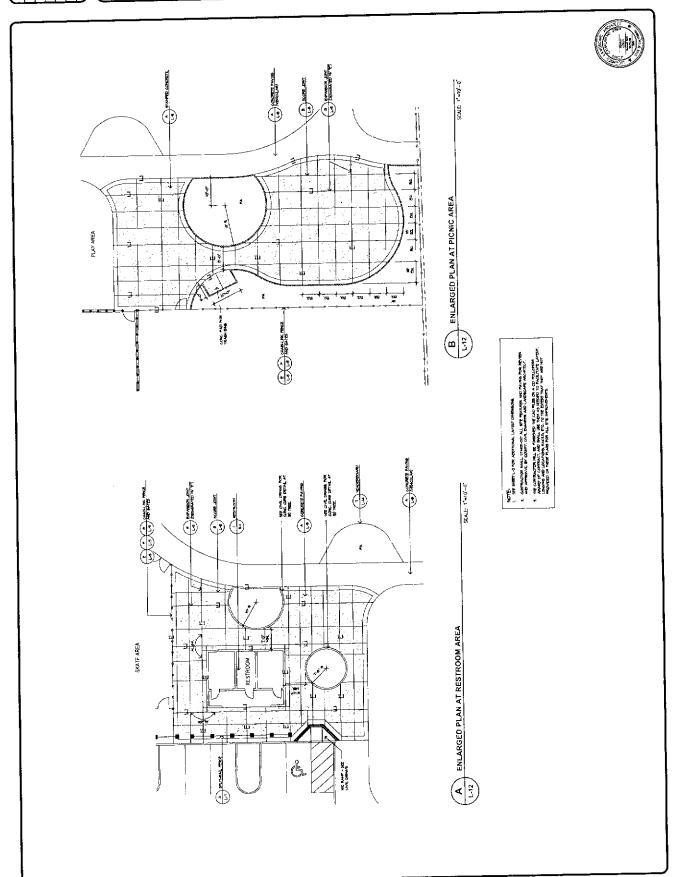


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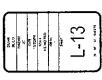


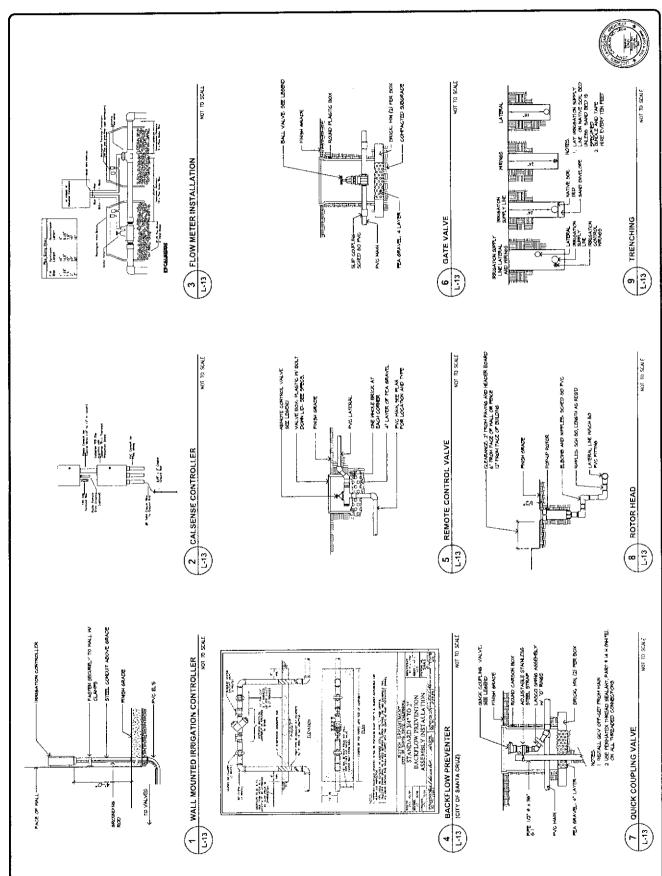


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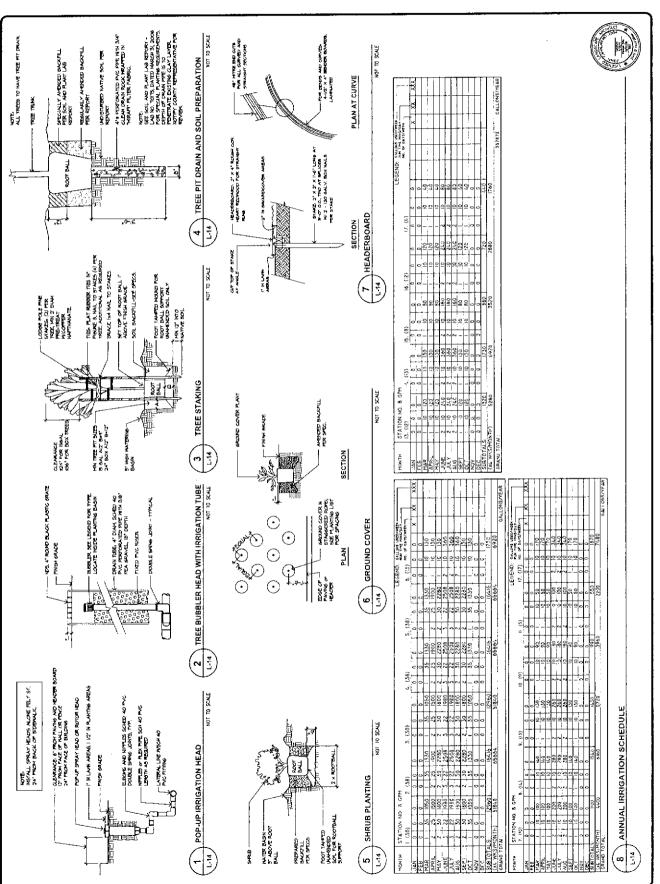


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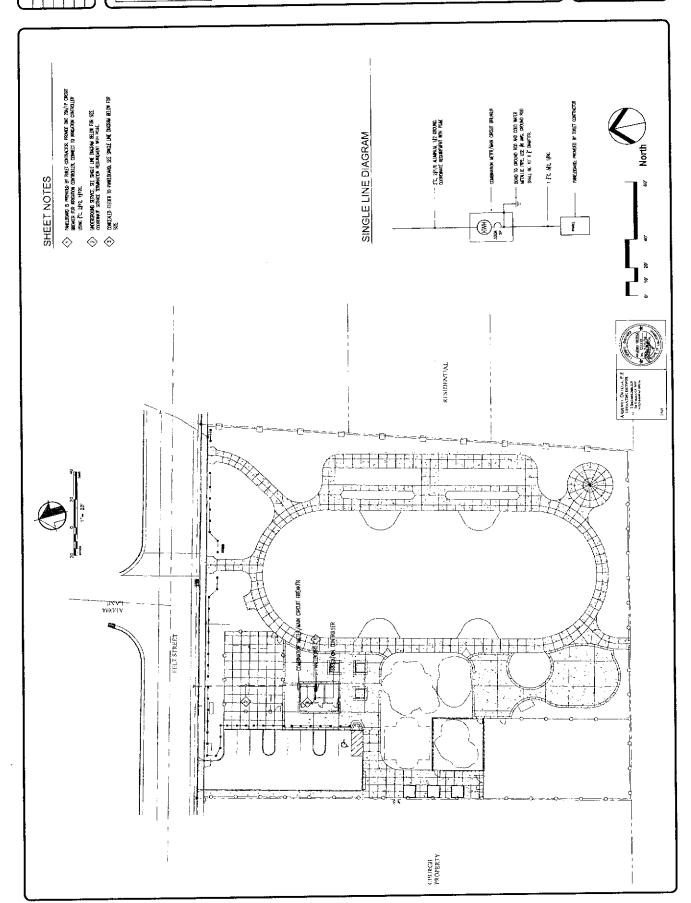


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June 13, 2008

Robert Olson Parks, Open Space and Cultural Services 979 17th Ave Santa Cruz, CA 95062-4170

RE:

Felt Street Park Drainage Study

Dear Mr. Olson:

Attached is the drainage study for the Felt Street Park located in Santa Cruz County, California. The drainage calculations were prepared using software based upon the Haested Method.

The new drainage system will be tied into the existing curb inlet located in the middle front of the property at Felt Street. The existing storm drain pipe is a 15" RCP.

This storm drain system report has been sized for the 5 year storm event per comment #6 in the DPW Discretionary Application Comments, dated 8/3/06. The 5 year storm event data was taken from the Santa Cruz County Precipitation IDF, P60 = 1.4, which is the 10 year storm intensities multiplied by 0.85 (refer to pages 24 thru 27).

Page 1 shows the calculated 5 year storm pre-development runoff flow rate for the entire site (0.94 cfs) and for the portion of the site which currently drains toward the street (0.33 cfs). Page 2 shows the proposed 10 year storm post-development runoff flow rate (1.71 cfs) for the entire site based upon the rational method. The pre-development runoff coefficient is for a park with poorly draining soil (C=0.3); 7 minute time of concentration.

Because the 10 year post-development runoff flow rate is greater than the 5 year predevelopment runoff flow rate, a small pipe (4" diameter) was used to connect the new Park drainage system to the existing curb inlet. This small pipe effectively reduces the outfall flow rate from the Felt Street Park to the City storm drain system to 0.32 cfs (see graph on Page 10). This peak outflow occurs 16 minutes after the peak rainfall. However, since all of the runoff on the Park is allowed to sheet flow to swales before entering the new storm drain system, the actual peak outflow will be further delayed.

Page 3 is a diagrammatic plan view of the storm drain system to be installed at the Felt Street Park. This sheet identifies pipes, catch basins, and catchments by label. Catchments are approximations of the drainage areas tributary to each catch basin. The catchments are connected to their outflow catch basins by a dashed line. Pages 4 through 9 are descriptive tables for the system components.

Drainage Report Summary 6/13/2008 Page 2 of 2

Pages 11 through 18 shows a graphic profile of the main pipe line for the storm drain system. The water level is maintained within the 36" storage pipes as well as the main conveyance piping for the 10 year storm.

Pages 19 through 23 are the Detailed Summary Report. This summary provides the maximum flow, maximum velocity, and the maximum hydraulic grade. (Refer to Page 3 for the label diagram.) The total simulation time was set for 30 minutes.

In compliance with Rachel Fatoohi's latest review comments, we have added off line detention (storage) piping, a silt interceptor positioned upstream of the detention piping, and a weir outlet control structure prior to the point of connection in the street. The weir will allow low flow to bypass through a small orifice pipe and higher flows will be diverted into the detention piping. For high flow bypass, there is a small gap between the top of the weir box and the top of the weir itself. Finally, the conveyance pipe sizes have been reduced in order to increase the pipe slope while maintaining minimal pipe cover.

Since the point of connection in the street (invert) is 51.61', and the distance to the farthest catch basin is about 400', and because the park slopes down from the street toward the school (grade elev. = 54.80'), we are limited to relatively flat pipes with minimum cover. Consequently, regular maintenance of the storm pipes in addition to the detention piping and the silt interceptor will be essential for best performance.

If you have any questions regarding this matter do not hesitate to contact me at (408) 453-1222 x24

Very Truly Yours,

UNDERWOOD & ROSENBLUM, INC.

David B. Voorhies, RCE 26429

Principal Engineer

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ DISCRETIONARY APPLICATION COMMENTS

Project Planner: Annette Olson

Application No.: 06-0370

APN: 028-041-02

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Environmental Planning Completeness Comments

Please show the trees to be removed under Sig tree permit 06-0014 on the topographic survey. Also the project should be designed to retain the other viable mature trees onsite. If this is not feasible, please replace with 2:1 for those to be removed.

Please submit an arborist report which addresses the condition of the eucalyptus trees to be removed. It appears that these trees are healthy and can remain within the design aspects of the proposed project.

The significant tree removal permit, 06-0014, was approved due to poisoning of three other eucalyptus trees. The remaining trees appear to be healthy and in good condition.

Grading has been reduced from 1200 cubic yards to 600 cubic yards. ======= UPDATED ON MARCH 24, 2010 BY ANTONELLA GENTILE ========= Project complete per Environmental Planning.

Environmental Planning Miscellaneous Comments

====== REVIEW ON AUGUST 8, 2006 BY JESSICA L DEGRASSI =======

Please provide a stockplie location on the erosion control plan.

Prior to approval of this project, a plan review letter is required from the project arborist stating that the proposed improvements as shown and as recommended by the soils engineer shall not have a significant negative impact on trees 5, 13, 14, and 15.

Final plans shall include the following:

- 1. Tree protection measures as recommended by the project arborist.
- 2. A schedule of inspections to be performed by a qualified certified arborist, as recommended by the project arborist.
- 3. Cabling details for tree 5.

Additional Conditions:

4. Replacement trees shall be monitored by a qualified professional for five years

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at six month intervals. One hundred percent survival rate is required and shall be implemented according to the recommendations in the arborist's report.

Please note that this application includes the removal of the following trees due to construction impacts: a 4.7" oak, a 3.3" oak, a double-trunk (4" and 4") acacia, a double-trunk (33" and 36") eucalyptus, a 3" walnut, a 3" golden rain, two four-trunk walnuts, and a double-trunk (6" and 3") golden rain.

Please note that this application also includes the removal of the following trees due to poor condition: a 4" fruiting pear and a multi-trunk plum.

Proposed replacement trees include 20 24" box western redbuds, 4 24"box tulip trees. 9 24" box purple leaf plums, 10 24" box redwoods, 8 15 gallon cajeput trees, and 3 15 gallon catalpas.

The soils report will be reviewed prior to building/grading permit approval.

Dpw Drainage Completeness Comments

LATEST COMMENTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN SENT TO PLANNER FOR THIS AGENCY

Not enough drainage information has been given to consider acceptance of this application. To be approved by this division at the discretionary application stage, all potential off-site impacts and mitigations must be determined and compliance with the County Design Criteria (CDC) and County General Plan policies (GPP) demonstrated.

Please address the following items:

- 1) Please specify on the civil plans the amount of impervious surface that will result from the proposed development.
- 2) (GPP #7.23.1 New Development) Projects are required to maintain predevelopment rates where feasible. Mitigating measures should be used on-site to limit increases in post-development runoff leaving the site. Best Management Practices should be employed within the development to meet this goal as much as possible. Such measures include limiting impervious areas, using pervious or semi- pervious pavements, runoff surface spreading, discharging runoff from impervious areas into landscaping, retention facilities, etc. Please show proposed mitigations on the plans and account for the affects in stormwater calculations.
- 3) (GPP #7.23.2 Minimizing Impervious Surfaces) Extensive impervious surfaces are proposed by this project. New development is required to limit such coverage to minimize post- development runoff. Consider limiting proposed impervious surfaces and / or using pervious or semi-pervious type surfaces.
- 4) The submitted drainage design proposes to collect and dispose all runoff generated by the project to an existing off-site system. This does not comply with County requirements to limit runoff leaving the site to pre-development levels.

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Please show what measures, such as directing runoff into landscaping, vegetated swales to catchbasins, etc., will be taken to mitigate for the increase in runoff by the development and account for the affects in stormwater calculations. (Also see item #2 above.) Consider retention or a combination of retention and detention in addition to BMP methods. Utilizing only detention to meet this requirement is only allowed if other measures are not feasible. If detention is the only method available to meet pre-development requirements, please submit reasons of infeasibility for review

- 5) As indicated in the CDC, runoff from parking areas are required to go through water quality treatment prior to discharge. Consider outsloping parking area to drain to landscaped areas for filtering prior to discharge from the site. If use of landscaped areas is not feasible and structural treatment is proposed, recorded maintenance agreements are required. Please clarify on the plans the method to be used for treatment.
- 6) If it is determined that resulting runoff from the proposed development cannot be completely handled on-site, the project will be limited to a runoff release rate equivalent to a 5-year storm due to downstream restrictions in the existing off-site system proposed for use. (Reference: Zone 5 Master Drainage Plan) Please submit drainage calculations for proposed design.

For your information:

7) A source for BMP style mitigation methods can be found in the following publication: START AT THE SOURCE, Design Guidance Manual for Stormwater Quality Protection, 1999 Edition, Bay Area Stormwater Management Agencies Association, Forbes Custom Publishing.

A free copy may be obtained:

http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/StartattheSourceManual.pdf

A bound version may be ordered: http://www.basmaa.org/

(Additional reférences can be found in the CDC.)

Until further information is submitted addressing the above comments, including calculations for proposed drainage systems, a thorough review of this application cannot be completed. Once submitted, additional items may need to be addressed before the application can be deemed complete.

This application is for development in the Zone 5 Flood Control & Water Conservation District. For increases in impervious area, a drainage fee of \$0.90 per square foot will be assessed.

All subsequent submittals for this application must be done through the Planning Department. Submittals made directly to Public Works will result in delays.

Please call or visit the Dept. of Public Works, Stormwater Management Division, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm if you have any questions. ======= UPDATED ON JANUARY 17, 2008 BY LOUISE B DION =========

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We have reviewed the resubmitted plans dated 12/14/07, the drainage study dated August 28,2007 by Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc. and Robert Olsen's response to our first drainge review comments.

Soil data indicates that retention alone will not be feasible to retain post development runoff to predevelopment rates based on a 5 year storm event. This implies that some type of detention will be required. While detailed review of the detention calculations can be performed during building permit stage, a conceptual plan for detention needs to proposed at a minimum to complete the discretionary phase. The proposal to limited discharge from the site by reducing the diameter of the discharge pipe does not adquately address storage required per the County's storm drainage design critinia. Please refer to our previous previous comment (August 3, 2006) for guidance (comments #2-#4,#6 & #7).

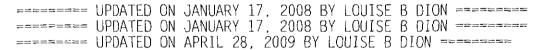
We have noted some of the improvements made to the original submittal with the addition of a swale as well as the drainge from the parking lot to the swale. We still want to recommend using the open area in the soccer field as a BMP for filtration and whatever percolation the subsurface will allow.

Please provide a detail of the perimeter swales and an evaluation of of how overflow runoff from the swales will be handled until it reaches a safe point of release such as an adequate drainage system or a water course. Provide downstream impact assessment identifying capacity restrictions in existing drainage facilities receiving site runoff and identify the water body receiving the flow. This applies both to overflow from the swales in addition to the proposed discharge into the existing storm drain system.

According to sheet TS-1, predevelopment drainage is to the south while post development runoff is directed towards the north to Felt Street. Please clarify the reason for the diversion.

For questions regarding this review Public Works stormwater management staff is available from 8-12 Monday through Friday.

If you have questions, please contact me at 831-233-8083.



Revised plans dated 06-13-2008 have been received. Our concerns have been addressed and the application is deemed complete with respect to the discretionary permit application stage. Please see miscellaneous comments for additional guidance.

Please note the drainage plan is approved in concept for the discretionary application process; detailed review of the design and calculations will be completed during the building permit stage.

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Discretionary review approved based on 6-13-2008 schematic plans. As previously stated, while the concept is feasible, detailed review of the calculations and design will occur during building permit application process. Miscellaneous comments should also be addressed at that time.

Please note that the SWPPP submitted, is not reviewed by Santa Cruz County County. Applicant will need to submit SWPP to the state when they apply for the contruction permit.

Dpw Drainage Miscellaneous Comments

LATEST COMMENTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN SENT TO PLANNER FOR THIS AGENCY

No comment. ====== UPDATED ON JANUARY 17, 2008 BY LOUISE B DION =======

Please note that detailed design and design calculations review for drainage system will be left for the building permit application stage however please keep the following comments in mind:

- 1) Inspection of the drainage related items will be done by a public works inspector. Once all other reviewing have approved the final building permit plans, submit a set of reproducible civil plans sheets to Public Works, with our signature block, for review and signature, along with an engineer-s estimate for the drainage related work. A 2% fee (\$560 minimum) will be assessed for inspection.
- 2) Please add a note to provide signage adjacent to all ets stating "No Dumping Drains to Bay" or equivalent. This signage is to be maintained by the property owner.
- 3) Maintenance agreements for proposed water quality treatment and detention/retention facilities will be required. Provide a copy of a notorized, recorded agreement.
- 4) Please provide measures for preventing debris from entering the detention and retention facilities in order to minimize future clogging and maintenance.
- 5) This project will result in disturbance of more than an acre. The owner/applicant is responsible for obtaining coverage under the State's general construction storm water permit.

Date: April 14, 2010 Project Planner: Annette Olson Time: 10:29:07 Application No.: 06-0370 APN: 028-041-02 Page: 6 ===== UPDATED ON MARCH 23. 2010 BY LOUISE B DION ====== Discretionary review complete based on schematic plans dated 6-13-08. Detailed review of design and hydraulic calculations will occur during the building permit application process. Miscellaneous comments should also be addressed at that time. Please note that Santa Cruz COunty does not review SWPPP. The applicant must submit the SWPPP to the State when they apply for the construction permit. Dpw Road Engineering Completeness Comments ====== REVIEW ON AUGUST 10, 2006 BY GREG J MARTIN ======= The road should meet County Standards for a 2 lane Urban Collector Street with Parking - No Bike Lanes. This requires two 12 foot travel lanes, 8 feet on each side for parking, and 4 foot separated sidewalks on each side. The right-of-way requirement for this road section is 60 feet. The remainder is 2.75 feet. The structural section shall be a minimum of 3 inches of asphalt concrete over 9 inches of aggregate base. _____ _____ It appears from the plan view that the road is 40 feet wide from curb to curb which meets the above standard. The existing contiguous sidewalk along the frontage of the project was constructed by the County. Please show the existing easement for the sidewalk on the plans. Public Works has no objection to an exception for the proposed road section. -----Exceptions to the County Standards for streets may be proposed by showing 1) a typical road section of the required standard on the plans crossed out, 2) the reason for the exception below, and 3) the proposed typical road section. ______ ______ The midblock crosswalk should be yellow and either be similar in appearance to piano kevs at a minimum or a ladder. driveway apron is recommended to be 24 feet wide. The parking aisle and parking stalls are 42 feet wide which is less than the 44 feet required (standard 26 foot aisle and 18 foot parking stall). any questions please call Greg Martin at 831-454-2811. ====== UPDATED ON JANUARY 8, 2008 BY GREG J MARTIN ======== No comment. Dpw Road Engineering Miscellaneous Comments ====== REVIEW ON AUGUST 10. 2006 BY GREG J MARTIN =======

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====== UPDATED ON JANUARY 8, 2008 BY GREG J MARTIN =======

Dpw Sanitation Completeness Comments

Sanitation Engineering Division No. 3 Review Summary Statement; Appl. No. 06-0370; APN: 28-041-02, 03: Sewer service is available for this project based upon the plans submitted for the third review dependent upon the following comments being reflected on the building permit plans. (Any future changes to these plans submitted for discretionary review shall be routed to the District for review to determine if additional conditions by the District are required by the plan change. All changes shall be highlighted as plan revisions and changes may cause additional requirements to meet District standards). This review notice is effective for one year from the issuance date to allow the applicant the time to receive tentative map, development or other discretionary permit approval. If after this time frame this project has not received approval from the Planning Department, a new availability letter must be obtained by the applicant. Once a tentative map is approved this letter shall apply until the tentative map approval expires.

Changes to plans for approval: Put note on plans that uncovered drinking fountain near bocce court shall not be connected to sewer. Omit note no. 15 on sheet C-1. There are no Miscellaneous comments. Any questions regarding the above criteria should be directed to Diane Romeo of the Sanitation Engineering division at (831) 454-2160.

Dpw Sanitation Miscellaneous Comments

====== REVIEW ON JANUARY 7, 2008 BY DIANE ROMEO ======= There are no miscellaneous comments.

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE:

January 3, 2008

TO:

Annette Olson, Planning Department, Project Planner

Bob Olson, Parks Department Planner

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FROM:

Melissa Allen, Planning Liaison to the Redevelopment Agency

SUBJECT: Application #06-0370 2nd Rtg, Felt Street Park, APN 028-041-02 & 03, 1904 Felt St, LO

The applicant is proposing to demolish the existing house and garage and construct a park consisting of a parking lot, accessible restroom, accessible play area, bocce courts, skate park, group picnic area, community garden, fences, signage, river-stone archway and other art features, and various drainage and landscaping improvements. The project requires a Master Site Plan Approval, Coastal Development Permit, Preliminary Grading Approval, Design Review and Environmental Review. The property is located on the south side of Felt Street about 400 feet east of 17th Avenue (1904 Felt Street).

The Parks Department is responsible for managing and constructing this project, whereas, RDA is involved in the project funding. RDA supports the provision of additional recreational opportunities and the construction of new parks in Live Oak residential neighborhoods where the historic need for additional park amenities is well established.

This application was considered at Engineering Review Group (ERG) meetings on August 2, 2006 and January 2, 2008. The Redevelopment Agency (RDA) previously commented on this application on 8/21/06. The Redevelopment Agency has no additional comments on this application's second routing.

RDA does not need to see any future routings of revised plans unless there are changes relevant to RDA's previous comments. RDA appreciates this opportunity to comment. Thank you.

cc:

Greg Martin, DPW Road Engineering Paul Rodrigues, RDA Program Manager Betsey Lynberg, RDA Administrator Jan Beautz, 1st District Supervisor

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

Planning Department

INTEROFFICE MEMO

APPLICATION NO: 06-0370

Date:

July 20, 2006

To:

Annette Olson, Project Planner

From:

Larry Kasparowitz, Urban Designer

Re:

Design Review for a new park at Felt Street, Santa Cruz

GENERAL PLAN / ZONING CODE ISSUES

Design Review Authority

13.11.040

Projects requiring design review.

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All County projects.

Design Review Standards

13.11.072 Site design.

Evaluation	Meets criteria	Does not meet	Urban Designer's	
Criteria	in code (✔)	criteria (🗸)	Evaluation	
Compatible Site Design				
Location and type of access to the site	~			
Building siting in terms of its location and orientation	Y			
Building bulk, massing and scale	✓			
Parking location and layout	~			
Relationship to natural site features and environmental influences	~			
Landscaping	✓			
Streetscape relationship			N/A	
Street design and transit facilities			N/A	
Relationship to existing structures			N/A	
Natural Site Amenities and Features				
Relate to surrounding topography	~			
Retention of natural amenities			N/A	
Siting and orientation which takes advantage of natural amenities	~			
Ridgeline protection			N/A	
Views	67/115			
Protection of public viewshed				

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Minimize impact on private views	V		
Safe and Functional Circulation			
Accessible to the disabled, pedestrians, bicycles and vehicles	~		
Solar Design and Access		 	
Reasonable protection for adjacent properties	Y		
Reasonable protection for currently occupied buildings using a solar energy system	~	·	
Noise			
Reasonable protection for adjacent properties	V		. <u>-</u>

13.11.073 Building design.

Evaluation	Meets criteria	Does not meet	Urban Designer's Evaluation	
Criteria	In code (✔)	criteria (🗸)	Evaluation	
Compatible Building Design				
Massing of building form			N/A	
Building silhouette			N/A	
Spacing between buildings			N/A	
Street face setbacks			N/A	
Character of architecture	V			
Building scale	~			
Proportion and composition of projections and recesses, doors and windows, and other features	~			
Location and treatment of entryways	✓			
Finish material, texture and color	~			
Scale				
Scale is addressed on appropriate levels	~			
Design elements create a sense of human scale and pedestrian interest	V			
Building Articulation				
Variation in wall plane, roof line, detailing, materials and siting.	Y			
Solar Design				
Building design provides solar access that is reasonably protected for adjacent properties.	•			

Building walls and major window areas are	-		
oriented for passive solar and natural			
lighting.			
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13.11.074 Access, circulation and parking.

Parking		
Minimize the visual impact of pavement		
and parked vehicles.	•	
Parking design shall be an integral element		
of the site design.	•	 ·
Site buildings toward the front or middle	7	1
portion of the lot and parking areas to the	•	
rear or side of the lot is encouraged where		
appropriate.		<u> </u>
Lighting		
All site, building, security and landscape		Suggest as Condition of
lighting shall be directed onto the site and		Approval
away from adjacent properties.		1
Area lighting shall be high-pressure sodium		 Suggest as Condition of
vapor, metal halide, fluorescent, or		Approval
equivalent energy-efficient fixtures.		
All lighted parking and circulation areas		Suggest as Condition of
shall utilize low-rise light standards or light		Approval
fixtures attached to the building. Light		
standards to a maximum height of 15 feet		
are allowed.		
Building and security lighting shall be		Suggest as Condition of
integrated into the building design.		 Approval
Light sources shall not be visible form		Suggest as Condition of
adjacent properties.		 Approval
Loading areas		
Loading areas shall be designed to not		:
interfere with circulation or parking, and to	•	
permit trucks to fully maneuver on the		
property without backing from or onto a		
public street.		
Landscape		
A minimum of one tree for each five parking	Ų.	
spaces should be planted along each	•	
single or double row of parking spaces.		
A minimum of one tree for each five parking	✓ .	
spaces shall be planted along rows of		
parking.		
Trees shall be dispersed throughout the	✓	
parking lot to maximize shade and visual		
relief.		

At least twenty-five percent (25%) of the		
trees required for parking lot screening	•	
shall be 24-inch box size when planted; all		
other trees shall be 15 gallon size or larger		
when planted.		
Parking Lot Design		
Driveways between commercial or		N/A
industrial parcels shall be shared where		,, .
appropriate.		
Avoid locating walls and fences where they		N/A
block driver sight lines when entering or		
exiting the site.		
Minimize the number of curb cuts	✓	
Driveways shall be coordinated with		
existing or planned median openings.	~	
Entry drives on commercial or industrial		N/A
projects greater than 10,000 square feet		
should include a 5-foot minimum net		
landscaped median to separate incoming		
and out going traffic, where appropriate.		
Service Vehicles/Loading Space. Loading		N/A
space shall be provided as required for		
commercial and industrial uses.		
Where an interior driveway or parking area	✓	
parallels the side or rear property line, a	·	
minimum 5-foot wide net landscape strip		
shall be provided between the driveway		
and the property line.		
Parking areas shall be screened form public streets using landscaping, berms,	✓	
fences, walls, buildings, and other means,		
where appropriate.		
Bicycle parking spaces shall be provided as	4	
required in. They shall be appropriately	•	
located in relation to the major activity area.		
Reduce the visual impact and scale of		
interior driveways, parking and paving.		
Parking Lot Landscaping		 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
It shall be an objective of landscaping to	<u> </u>	
accent the importance of driveways from	▼	
the street, frame the major circulation		
aisles, emphasize pedestrian pathways,		
and provide shade and screening.		
Parking lot landscaping shall be designed	✓	
to visually screen parking from public		
streets and adjacent uses.		
Parking lots shall be landscaped with large canopy trees.	✓	
A landscape strip shall be provided at the		
end of each parking aisle.	✓	

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A minimum 5-foot wide landscape strip (to provide necessary vehicular back-out movements) shall be provided at dead-end aisles.	<u> </u>		
Parking areas shall be landscaped with large canopy trees to sufficiently reduce glare and radiant heat from the asphalt and to provide visual relief from large stretches of pavement.	~		·
Variation in pavement width, the use of texture and color variation is paving materials, such as stamped concrete, stone, brick, pavers, exposed aggregate, or colored concrete is encouraged in parking lots to promote pedestrian safety and to minimize the visual impact of large expanses of pavement.	✓		
As appropriate to the site use, required landscaped areas next to parking spaces or driveways shall be protected by a minimum six-inch high curb or wheel stop, such as concrete, masonry, railroad ties, or other durable materials.	•		
Pedestrian Travel Paths			
On-site pedestrian pathways shall be provided form street, sidewalk and parking areas to the central use area. These areas should be delineated from the parking areas by walkways, landscaping, changes in paving materials, narrowing of roadways, or other design techniques.	~		
Plans for construction of new public facilities and remodeling of existing facilities shall incorporate both architectural barrier removal and physical building design and parking area features to achieve access for the physically disabled.	~		
Separations between bicycle and pedestrian circulation routes shall be utilized where appropriate.	•		



CENTRAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

of Santa Cruz County Fire Prevention Division

930 17th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062 phone (831) 479-6843 fax (831) 479-6847

Date:

July 25, 2006

To:

County of Santa Cruz Parks

Applicant:

same

From:

Tom Wiley

Subject:

06-0370

Address

1904 Felt St.

APN:

028-041-03 & 03

OCC:

2804102

Permit:

20060240

We have reviewed plans for the above subject project.

The following NOTES must be added to notes on velums by the designer/architect in order to satisfy District requirements when submitting for **Application for Building Permit**:

NOTE on the plans that these plans are in compliance with California Building and Fire Codes (2001) as amended by the Central Fire Protection District.

NOTE on the plans **construction classification** as determined by the building official and outlined in Part IV of the California Building Code.

NOTE on the plans the **occupancy classification** as determined by the building official and outlined in Part III of the California Building Code.

NOTE on the plans whether the building will be either **SPRINKLERED** or **NON-SPRINKLERED** as outlined in the 2001 California Building Code and via District Amendment.

The FIRE FLOW requirement for the subject property is 1500 gallons per minute.

NOTE, on the plans, the required FIRE FLOW and the available FIRE FLOW. This information can be obtained from the water company upon request.

SHOW on the plans a public fire hydrant meeting the minimum required fire flow for the building, within 150 feet of any portion of the building.

NOTE ON PLANS: New/upgraded hydrants, water storage tanks, and/or upgraded roadways shall be installed PRIOR to and during time of construction (CFC 901.3).

The job copies of the building and fire systems plans and permits must be on-site during inspections.

Submit a check in the amount of \$100.00 for this particular plan check, made payable to Central Fire Protection District. A \$35.00 **Late Fee** may be added to your plan check fees if payment is not received within 30 days of the date of this Discretionary Letter. INVOICE MAILED TO APPLICANT. Please contact the Fire Prevention Secretary at (831) 479-6843 for total fees due for a reject.

ATTACHMENT

NEW WATER SERVICE INFORMATION FORM

City of Santa Cruz Water Department 809 Center Street Room 102 Santa Cruz, CA 95060 Phone (831) 420-5210 Fax 831-420-5201

Multiple APN? Y Project Address: 1904 Felt St Revision 1: 7/25/2006		10N: Phone: REPRESENTATIVE INFORMATION: Phone:	Sizes Account #'s C 3/4" 079-0430	mection fee credit(s) for scinactive over 24 months	d# 1456 Size/Type: 6"dbl Static 88 Res 76 Flow 1256 Flow w/20# Res. 3480 FF Date 09/04 Location: on Tower @ Felt d# 1306 Size/Type: 6"stmr Static 88 Res 76 Flow 1186 Flow w/20# Res. 3026 FF Date 09/04 Location: on Tower @ Felt	RVICE FEE Totals (see Page 2 for Details) Meter Water Sewer Zone Cap Credits: Total Due: Permit Fees: Inst Fees: Conn Fees: Conn Fees: Conn Fees: Fees: Total Due:	Service/Hydrant Install \$380.00 Backflow \$120.00 St. Opening \$0.00	Misc Fees	PLAN APP # 06-0370 PLANNER Annette Olson REVTEWED BY J. Segal PLAN APP # 106-0370 PLAN APP # 11-1111/2 Plans show 1-1/2" meters for both domestic and irrigation use. Fees listed above	PLAN APP # 06-0370 PLANNER Annette Olson REVTEWED BY J. Segal PLAN APP # 06-0370 PLANNER Annette Olson Second Sec	PLANNER Annette Olson S ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection Dist. Plans show 1-1/2" meters for both domestic and tritingation use. Fees listed above S ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection Dist. Plans and Utility Plan Sheet C-1. Please S ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection District and revised plans if necessary.	BP# PLAN APP # [06-0370] PLANNER Annette Olson REVTEWED BY J. Segal PLAN APP # [06-0370] PLANNER Annette Olson REVTEWED BY J. Segal ABOVE FEES ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection Dist. Plans show 1-1/2" meters for both domestic and irrigation use. Fees listed above ABOVE FEES ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection Dist. Plans show 1-1/2" meters as required based on fixture counts and gpm demands. The existing service is to be retired the Water Dept will need to witness the retiring (no pipe crimping). No fire reflect only 1" meters as required based on fixture counts and protection District and revised plans if necessary.	PLAN APP # (06-0370 PLANNER Annette Olson REVTEWED BY J. Segal S ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection Dist. Plans show 1-1/2" meters for both domestic and irrigation use. Fees listed above S ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection Dist. Plans show it has seconds and gpm demands. The existing domestic service is not called out on the Grading and Utility Plan Sheet C-1. Please "meters as required based on fixture counts and gpm demands. The existing service is to be retired the Water Dept will need to witness the retiring (no pipe crimping). No fire to note if the existing service will be retired or remain. If existing service is to be retired the Water Dept will reed to witness the retiring and revised plans if necessary.	BP# REVIEWED BY J. Segal PLAN APP # 06-0370 PLANNER Annette Olson REVIEWED BY J. Segal ABOVE FEES ARE ESTIMATES. Fire sprinklers to be determined by Central Fire Protection Dist. Plans show 1-1/2" meters for both domestic and irrigation use. Fees listed above reflect only 1" meters as required based on fixture counts and gpm demands. The existing domestic service is not called out on the Grading and Utility Plan Sheet C-1. Please reflect only 1" meters as required based on fixture counts and gpm demands. The existing service is to be retired the Water Dept will need to witness the retiring (no pipe crimping). No fire revise only if the existing service will be retired by central Fire Protection District and revised plans if necessary.
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hydrants as required for the project under the rules and regulations of the Santa Cruz Water Department and the appropriate Fire District and any restrictions that may be in effect at the time application for service is made. NOTICE: This form does not in any way olligate the city. It is provided only as an estimate to assist you in your planning and as a record for the Water Department. The requirements set forth on this form made. NOTICE: This form does not in any way olligate the city. It is provided only as an estimate to assist you in your planning and as a record for the Water Department. The requirements set forth on this form made. NOTICE: Service will be furnished upon: (1) payment of the required fees due at the time service is requested (a building permit is required), and; (2) installation of the adequately sized water services, water mains and fire

Totals				\$50.00	Totals						\$26,849.00	\$26,899.00
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Total Permit Insp Fees: 360

Water Conservation Office 212 Locust Street, Suite B Santa Cruz, CA 95060 Phone: (831) 420-5230 FAX: (831) 420-5231

County of Santa Cruz

March 22, 2010

Subject Property: Felt Street Park BP#: 06-0370 APN: 028-041-02, -03

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for submitting a landscape plan dated October 22, 2009 for the above project. The Water Conservation Office has reviewed the plan and found much of the plan to be consistent with the City of Santa Cruz's Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. However, additional information and plan revisions are needed before we can release water service.

Please provide the following information and revisions to the landscape plans:

IRRIGATION PLAN

- Water and irrigation lines may not cross parcel boundaries. The project site
 includes two parcels, with proposed irrigation on both parcels. If the parcels are
 combined into a single lot, one irrigation meter may be used as proposed. If the
 lots remain as separate parcels, two water meters with separate irrigation systems
 is required, one for each parcel.
- 2. The irrigation system must be designed to minimize runoff and overspray on sidewalks, roadways and slopes. Overhead spray irrigation systems shall be separated from adjacent sidewalks, driveways, or other paved surfaces by at least two feet in width. The irrigation details and plans indicate a set back of 24" for pop up spray heads and a note is indicated to set back heads along Felt Street. Please extend this note to include the western side of the plan where heads are proposed next to paved surfaces such as the skate, parking, restroom, and picnic areas.
- 3. Plants must be separately valved according to water use. Low and medium plants may be grouped together, but high water using plants must be separately irrigated. Sequoia sempervirons (coast redwood) is listed as "high water use" in the WUCOLS reference listing. The planting plan indicates three separate locations where redwoods are specified. Due to water requirements of established redwoods in this region, we can make an exception for valving Sequoia sempervirons with medium water use plants, as is the case for the redwoods specified on the northeast and west portion of the planting plan. The redwoods

located in the southeast corner of the plan are not hydrozoned nor valved separately. Please substitute either a low or medium water requiring species for this location or valve these redwoods separately.

- 4. The ordinance states that anti-drain valves shall be installed in strategic points to minimize or prevent low-head drainage. If the selected spray heads do not address this in every case, please add check valves to irrigation notes.
- 5. A rain shut-off device is required.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- 6. A water audit is required for properties with turf areas over 5,000 square feet. Upon completion of the landscaping installation, an irrigation audit performed by a certified landscape irrigation auditor prior to the final field inspection is required.
- 7. A landscape review fee of \$170 payable to City of Santa Cruz Water is due prior to approval of the landscape plans.

We appreciate your cooperation in meeting the conditions of the City's Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. The ordinance is available on the City of Santa Cruz website at www.cityofsantacruz.com/index.aspx?page=411 or a copy can be mailed to you on request.

Please submit 3 sets of revised plans to the engineering counter. All revisions must be marked with revision clouds on the plan and noted in the legend. If you have any questions, please call me at (831) 420-5230.

Sincerely,

Aerin Martin
Water Conservation Representative

ce: John Cahalan, Landscape Architect Water Engineering



WATER DEPARTMENT

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April 14, 2010

Annette Olson Santa Cruz County Planning 701 Ocean St., 4th Floor Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Re: APN 028-041-02, 1904 Felt St., Felt Street Park

Dear Ms. Olson:

This letter is to advise you that the subject parcel is located within the service area of the Santa Cruz Water Department and potable water is currently available for normal domestic use and fire protection. Service will be provided to the parcel upon payment of the fees and charges in effect at the time of service application and upon completion of the installation, at developer expense, of any water mains, service connections, fire hydrants and other facilities required for the development under the rules and regulations of the Santa Cruz Water Department. The development will also be subject to the City's Landscape Water Conservation requirements.

At the present time:

- the required water system improvements are not complete; and
- financial arrangements have not been made to the satisfaction of the City to guarantee payment of all unpaid claims.

This letter will remain in effect for a period of two years from the above date. It should be noted, however, that City Council may elect to declare a moratorium on new service connections due to drought conditions or other water emergency. Such a declaration would supersede this statement of water availability.

If you have any questions regarding service requirements, please call the Engineering Division at (831) 420-5210. If you have questions regarding landscape water conservation requirements, please contact the Water Conservation Office at (831) 420-5230.

Sincere

Bill Kocher Director

TECHNICAL REVIEW CHECKLIST

	REQUIRED	COMPLETED	N/A
Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission (APAC) Review			_X
Archaeological Review			X
Biotic Report/Assessment			_X_
Geologic Hazards Assessment (GHA)			X
Geologic Report			_X_
Geotechnical (Soils) Report			_X_
Riparian Pre-Site			_X_
Septic Lot Check			_X_
Other: Arborist Report Acoustical Study		XXX	

Attachments:

- 1. Vicinity Map, Map of Zoning Districts, Map of General Plan Designations, Assessors Parcel Map
- 2. Project Plans prepared by John Cahalan, Landscape Architect, dated 10/22/09; Civil Engineering Plans prepared by David B. Voorhies, Registered Professional Engineer, of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc, dated 10/22/09; Survey by David B. Voorhies, Registered Professional Engineer, of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc, dated 2/22/06; Restroom design by Romtec; Skate Area Plan by Spohn Ranch.
- 3. Drainage calculations prepared by David B. Voorhies, Registered Professional Engineer, of Underwood & Rosenblum, Inc, Revised to June 13, 2008.
- 4. Discretionary Application Comments, dated April 14. 2010
- 5. Letter from City of Santa Cruz Water District, dated April 14, 2010
- 6. Arborists Report prepared by James P. Allen, dated April 9, 2008
- 7. Parking Study (Conclusions and Recommendations) prepared by Robert Olson, Park Planner, dated March 30, 2010
- 8. Acoustical Study (Conclusions and Recommendations) prepared by Charles M. Salter, Associates, Inc., dated August 18, 2009



Tree Resource Analysis/ Construction Impact Assessment

Felt Street Park 1904 Felt Street, Santa Cruz, CA APN 028-041-02 & 03



Consulting Arborists

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ASSIGNMENT/SCOPE OF SERVICES

The construction of a public park is proposed for a vacant lot and existing single-family residential parcel at 1904 Felt Street, Santa Cruz, California 95062, APNs 028-041-02 & 03.

The site is populated with mature native/non-native as well as smaller landscape and fruit trees. To insure tree stability, the safe use of the area, and protect tree resources on this site during construction, Robert Olson, County of Santa Cruz Park Planner, has requested a proposal for a Tree Resource Evaluation/Construction Impact Analysis. To complete this assignment the following tasks have been completed:

- Locate, catalog and map trees growing within and immediately adjacent to the property boundary
- Identify each tree as to species and trunk diameter
- Rate individual tree health and structure as "good, fair or poor"
- Determine suitability for incorporation into the developed site
- Define trees that meet "Significant" status as defined by Santa Cruz County ordinances
- Make recommendations for necessary tree maintenance
- Work with project architects to create an effective tree protection plan
- Document findings in the form of a report accompanied by a Tree Location Map and Inventory

SUMMARY

Plans for the proposed demolition and park construction project at this location have been reviewed and impacts to the tree population have been assessed. Twelve trees growing on this property and three trees standing on the neighboring property to the west will be affected by the proposed project. Two of these trees meet 'Significant' criteria as defined by County of Santa Cruz Code.

Construction of the project as currently planned requires the removal of eleven trees. Trees #1 through 4 and 6 through 11 are in conflict with site improvements and grading requirements. Although Trees #8, 9 and 10 were considered for retention by the Project Design Team, these trees are recommended to be removed since they were found to be structurally unsound, potentially dangerous to park users and unsuitable for incorporation into this project. One of the trees required to be removed, Tree #4 meets "Significant" criteria.

Tree #5, a Significant tree also has defined structural defects. It may be retained and incorporated into the park site with the installation of a cable support system and annual monitoring by a qualified arborist.

Mitigation, for the removed trees will be in the form of replacement trees planted as components of the planned landscape. The number of replacement trees required will be determined by the Planning Department.

Trees #13, 14 and 15 grow adjacent to the western boundary on a neighboring property. Canopy clearance and root pruning are required to construct the project as proposed. Permission, from the tree owner will be required prior to the implementation of these procedures.

Three Significant eucalyptus trees previously growing on this site and displayed on some of the project maps died approximately two years ago. A Significant Tree Removal Permit Application #06-0014 was granted on 1/19/06 and the trees were subsequently cut down.

The implementation of the procedures as defined within this document, including *Tree Preservation Specifications*, will decrease the construction related impacts to the tree proposed for retention. Recommendations for cable support system and maintenance pruning have been made for **Tree #5** which has weak stem/trunk attachments.

Monitoring by the Project Arborist should occur at the intervals defined within this report to assure tree protection specifications are adhered to during construction.

BACKGROUND

To complete the assessment, site inspections were performed on February 26, and during the month of March in 2008. For purposes of identification, metal numbered tags have been affixed to tree trunks at 6 feet above natural grade. Tree locations with corresponding numbers are documented on the attached.

Three Significant eucalyptus trees previously growing on this site and displayed on some of the project maps died approximately two and one half years ago. A Significant Tree Removal Permit Application #06-0014 was granted on 1/19/06 and the trees were subsequently cut down.

Construction related impacts were assessed using plans provided by John Cahalan, Landscape Architect.

The trees were evaluated visually from the root crown (where the trunk meets natural grade), to the foliar canopy to determine condition/suitability for preservation.

Project Description

The .8-acre level site is located approximately 400 feet east of the intersection of 17th Avenue and Felt Street in the Live Oak area, APNs 028-041-02 & 03. Program elements include demolition, drainage and utilities, installation of a parking lot, an accessible flush restroom, accessible pre school and school-age play areas, accessible bocce courts with synthetic surfacing, pre-fabricated skate area, accessible group picnic area, accessible community garden, walkways, fences, park signage, accessible site furnishings, automatic irrigation, soil preparation and fine grading, sod turf area, landscaping and landscape maintenance.

TREE DESCRIPTIONS

Tree resources on this site are composed of eucalyptus Eucalyptus sp., acacia Acacia sp., non-native species naturally occurring oak Quercus sp., Golden Rain Koelreuteria paniculata sp. planted as street trees, walnut Juglans sp., fruiting pear pyrus sp., plum Prunus sp. planted as components of the residential landscape. Two of the fifteen trees evaluated meet "Significant" criteria as defined by the Santa Cruz County Significant Trees Protection Ordinance (Chapter 16.34 of the County Code). All trees are located within the property boundary except for Trees #13, 14 and 15, two willows Salix sp. and one Monterey pine Pinus radiata tree growing on the neighboring property to the west.

TREE INVENTORY METHODOLOGY

The attached inventory lists information on trees ≥ 3 inches in diameter growing within or directly adjacent to the property boundary. Tree locations are documented on the attached Tree Location Map.

The tree inventory lists species, trunk diameter, tree health, structure and suitability for preservation, level/description of construction impacts, observations, recommended procedures whether trees on the site meet Significant status as defined by Santa Cruz County Significant Trees Protection Ordinance (Chapter 16.34 of the County Code). Two trees, #4 and #5 meet Significant status.

Diameter: is the width of the trunk measured at 4.5 feet above natural grade (ground level). For trees that were unable to be measured at 4.5 feet above natural grade, measurement heights are provided.

<u>Critical Root Zone</u>: Individual tree root systems provide anchorage, absorption of water/minerals, storage of food reserves and synthesis of certain organic materials necessary for tree health and stability. The Critical Root Zone (CRZ) is the species-specific amount of roots necessary to continue to supply these elements essential for each tree to stand upright and maintain vigor. This distance reflects the minimum footage measurement from the trunk required for the protection of the tree's root zone. Construction activities proposed within these areas are subject to specific review and the implementation of recommended special treatments.

This information is provided only for Tree #5, proposed for retention.

Health, Structure and Preservation Suitability Inventory ratings are based on the following criteria:

Tree health and structure are separate issues that are related since both are revealed by tree anatomy. A tree's vascular system is confined in a thin layer of tissue between the bark and wood layers. This thin layer is responsible for transport of nutrients and water between the root system and the foliar canopy. When this tissue layer is functioning properly, a tree has the ability to produce foliage (leaves). As long as the tree maintains a connected vascular system it may appear to be in good health.

When conditions conducive to decay are present, fungi, bacteria or poor compartmentalization, wood strength is degraded. As decay advances, the tree's ability to continue standing is compromised. Thus, a tree can appear to be in good health, but have poor structure.

<u>Tree Health</u>: This rating is determined visually. Annual growth rates, leaf size and coloration are examined. Indications of insect activity, decay and dieback percentages are also used to define health ratings.

Trees in "good" health are full canopied, with dark green leaf coloration. Areas of foliar dieback or discoloration are less than 10% of the canopy. Dead material in the tree is limited to small twigs and branches less than one inch in diameter. There is no evidence of insects, disease or decay.

Trees with a "fair" health rating have from 10% to 30% foliar dieback, with faded coloration, dead wood larger than one inch, and/or visible insect activity, disease or decay.

Trees rated as having "poor" health have greater than 30% foliar dieback, dead wood greater than two inches, severe decay, disease or insect activity.

<u>Tree Structure</u>: This rating is determined by visually assessing the roots, root crown (where the trunk meets the ground), supporting trunk, and branch structure. The presence of decay can affect both health and structural ratings.

Trees that receive a "good" structural rating are well rooted, with visible taper in the lower trunk, leading to buttress root development. These qualities indicate that the tree is solidly rooted in the growing site. No structural defects such as codominant stems (two stems of equal sizes that emerge from the same point), poorly attached branches, cavities, or decay are present.

Trees that receive a "fair" structural rating may have defects such as poor taper in the trunk, inadequate root development or growing site limitations. They may have multiple trunks, included bark (where bark turns inward at an attachment point), or suppressed canopies. Decay or previous limb loss (less than 2 inches in diameter) may be present in these trees. Trees with fair structure may be improved through proper maintenance procedures.

Poorly structured trees display serious defects that may lead to limb, trunk or whole tree failure due to uprooting. Trees in this condition may have had root loss or severe decay that has weakened their support structure. Trees in this condition can present a risk to people and structures. Maintenance procedures may reduce, but not eliminate these defects.

<u>Suitability for preservation</u>: This rating evaluates tree health, structure, species characteristics, age and potential longevity.

Trees with a "good" rating have adequate health and structure with the ability to tolerate moderate impacts and thrive for their safe, useful life expectancy.

A "fair" rating indicates health or structural problems have the ability to be corrected. They will require monitoring with an expectation that their lifespan will be shortened by construction impacts.

Trees with a "poor" rating possess health or structural defects that cannot be corrected through treatment. Trees with poor suitability can be expected to continue to decline regardless of remedies provided. Species characteristics may not be compatible with redefined use of the area. Species, which are non-native and unusually aggressive, are considered to have a poor suitability rating.

<u>Construction Impacts:</u> This section describes what procedures are proposed near the individual tree. The influences the proposed construction activities will have on the tree are classified as **None**, **Low**, **Medium** or **High**. These classifications are defined as follows:

None, the tree is not near the impact area of the proposed construction.

Low, adverse affects from the proposed construction activities are minimal.

Medium, this level of impacts will result in loss in tree vigor and/or stability. Recommended procedures must be implemented to decrease these impacts.

High, requiring tree removal or the understanding that premature tree mortality can be anticipated. Mitigation is required for trees subject to this level of impacts.

DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS

Site inspections and review of the plans as presented identified numerous construction impacts to individuals.

Impacts to these trees are based on the development plans provided. The exact locations of the proposed improvements must be reviewed and evaluated once the site staking is in place. There is a possibility that tree classification and recommended procedures will change once the exact positions of the proposed improvements are known.

The construction of this project as presented requires the following procedures:

Grading for site stabilization as well as trenching for drainage structures and utility line construction. These procedures require alteration of natural grade in the form of cut and/or fill (described below) at the defined "Limits of Grading". Roots shattered during this process provide openings for opportunistic decay causing organisms degrading tree support systems and vigor.

Alteration of natural grade

- <u>Cuts</u>, lowering of natural grade, require the removal of soil until the desired elevation is reached. A cut within the trees Critical Root Zone can remove non-woody and woody roots. Non-woody (absorbing) roots are responsible for transporting moisture and nutrients necessary for maintaining tree health. More significant cuts remove woody roots that provide structural support, compromising the tree's ability to stand upright.
- Fill, increasing natural grade, often requires an initial cut to "knit in" and stabilize the material. This material is applied in layers and compacted in the process. Compaction breaks down soil structure by removing air and adding moisture. Anaerobic conditions may develop, promoting decay. Absorbing roots can suffocate from lack of oxygen. Structural roots may be compromised as a result of the decay.

Drainage structures and utility line placement. Necessary drainage structures and utility lines are to be consciously placed to avoid the Critical Root Zone of the preserved trees or brought to the attention of the Project Arborist to allow for preconstruction root severance along placement lines.

Parking lot construction requires a "cut" to a depth of six to 18 inches below the existing grade. Soils are then stabilized and by applying base materials and compacted. Asphalt chip seal, decomposed granite or concrete are then applied to create the surface.

Planned Landscape Installation typically requires the import of topsoil, rototilling the top 8 inches of native soils, digging planting holes, trenching for irrigation lines and increased water supply for establishing new plantings. Increased disturbance in the Critical Root Zone and elevated water levels will stress mature trees. It is recommended that landscape features planned within Critical Root Zones avoid the above-described procedures.

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES

SPECIAL TREATMENTS

Potential construction impacts that dramatically reduce the lifespan of existing trees can be abated with the implementation of pre-construction treatments, modifications to construction methods and needed maintenance pruning/cabling.

Preconstruction root pruning is necessary for Trees #5, 13, 14 and 15. This procedure may be performed by "**Ditchwitch**" type of trencher within areas identified on the attached map under the direction of the Project Arborist. This procedure is defined as follows:

- Establish a "final line of disturbance" with field staking. This line represents the furthest distance from the trees trunk that will allow the proposed construction.
- Determine the depth of the cut required.
- Begin trenching along the "final line of disturbance".
- Trench to the required depth.
- "Clean up" shattered roots using the root pruning techniques defined below.

Roots are to be pruned cleanly. Bark should adhere to the wood without tearing. Wood fibers should remain intact without shattering. The following tools should be used:

- Hand-pruners
- Loppers
- Handsaw
- · Reciprocating saw
- Chainsaw

When completed, the pruned portions should be covered with burlap or similar material and kept moist until backfilled. Supplemental irrigation will be required to retain soil moisture during the summer months.

Maintenance Procedures:

- Pruning to remove dead branches and provide adequate vertical clearance has been recommended to reduce potential health and safety hazards that persisting dead branches pose, such as decay, attracting harmful insects and injury from falling branches.
 - Tree #5 should have dead/broken branches greater than 1-inch diameter removed
 - Trees #13 and 15 will require pruning to allow clearance for proposed improvements and construction access. Pruning should not remove more foliage than absolutely necessary to accommodate proposed construction as determined by the Project Arborist.
- Cabling has been recommended for Tree # 5. Simple Direct Cables should be installed between the weakly attached stems. The following or similar hardware should be used:
 - 5/8 inch "eye" through bolts, depending on stem diameter
 - 1/4 inch Extra High Strength cable
 - · Pre-formed grips with thimbles

Tree #5, has defined structural defects, codominant stems with included bark. As stem diameters increase bark development between stems creates external forces that "push against" one another. This system is one typical of those prone to failure. This tree can be retained and stabilized for the short term with cable installation and annual monitoring by a qualified arborist.



The installation of cables, bolts and other hardware in trees is intended to reduce hazard potential. Such bracing does not permanently remedy structural weaknesses, and is not a guarantee against failure. The trees and hardware must be inspected periodically for hardware deterioration, adequacy and changes in the tree's and site condition. I recommend inspection by a competent arborist at least every year.

Three of the trees requiring Special Treatments, Trees #13, 14 and 15 pictured below stand on the neighboring property. Written permission from the tree owner is required to allow the necessary preconstruction treatments.





Tree Removal is to be performed in a sectional manner. Locations of trees to be removed are documented on the attached map (Tree Location/Preservation Map).

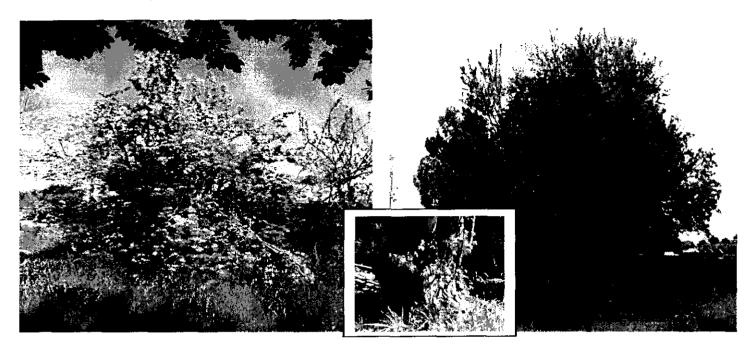
<u>Removal due to Construction Impacts</u> (Trees #1 through 4 and 6, 7 and 11) is required for trees that are in direct conflict with the proposed construction where plans cannot be modified.

<u>Removals due to Poor Condition</u> (Trees #8, 9 & 10) Recommendations are based upon the combination of health, structure, preservation suitability ratings and general species characteristics.

Tree #8 exhibits poor trunk/stem attachments that are typical of systems prone to fail. Walnut is a species with low tolerance to minimal construction impacts. It is unsuitable for preservation and incorporation into the proposed project.



Trees #9 and 10, a fruit-bearing pear and fruitless plum are aging individuals with decayed trunks and poor stem attachments. They will present a personal injury risk from stem failure potential or branches jabbing passers by.



A qualified certified arborist, using the following industry guidelines should be contracted to perform all the above-described work.

- American National Standards Institute A300 for Tree Care Operations-<u>Tree, Shrub and Other Woody Plant Maintenance-Standard Practices.</u>
 (Part 1)-2001 Pruning
 (Part 3)-2000 (Support Systems a Cabling, Bracing, and Guying)
- International Society of Arboriculture: Best Management Practices
- American National Standards Institute Z133.1-1994 for Tree Care Operations- Pruning, Trimming, Repairing, Maintaining, and Removing Trees and Cutting Brush-Safety Requirements

<u>Tree Preservation Zone</u>: This area is the protected area that allows the majority of the Critical Root Zone to be undisturbed while still facilitating the construction of the building. Tree Preservation Zones are documented in the Tree Preservation map attached to this report.

<u>Tree Preservation Specifications</u> included in this report, outline specifics for tree protection fencing and other procedures that will provide the best opportunity for their long-term survivability. The exact locations for these procedures are documented on an attached map.

- Amended tree chip mulch, 4-6 inch layer, shall be applied within the Tree
 Preservation Zones allowing a 12-inch separation between the tree trunks and
 mulch. Tree chips should be amended with 7 pounds Bloodmeal, 13-0-0, per
 cubic yard of chips.
- Supplemental Irrigation should be provided by a soaker hose delivery method within the designated Tree Preservation Zones. The Project Arborist will determine supplemental irrigation levels.
- Preservation fencing and straw bales will be placed end to end inside of the protection fencing. The fencing is to be 48 inches in height and secured with stakes. Straw bales may be secured by driving metal or wooden stakes through the bales to a depth of 12 to 18 inches below natural soil grade. This barricade will prevent damage to the fencing, tree trunks and prevent excess soil from grading and trenching from encroaching into the Tree Preservation Zone of the retained trees. Tree Preservation Zone fencing locations are documented on an attached map (Tree Preservation Map).

These special treatment areas are documented on the attached map.

INSPECTIONS

To ensure the successful implementation of the recommended procedures **Site Inspections** are to be performed by the Project Arborist. Site inspections will take place at the following intervals throughout the course of the project:

- During all tree clearance pruning activities.
- Following on-site placement of grade stakes.
- During preconstruction root exploration and severance procedures.
- After Tree Preservation fencing locations have been staked.
- Following Tree Protection fencing installation and prior to the commencement of driveway demolition.
- As necessary during foundation trenching activities to ensure compliance with all conditions of project approval.

Site monitoring forms will be submitted to the County of Santa Cruz Planning department at regular intervals.

REQUIRED TREE REPLACEMENT: This project was configured to minimize the amount of tree removal.

Significant trees proposed for removal are required to be replaced at a rate of one 24-inch box or three 15-gallon trees. Replacement trees will be nursery grown container trees planted as a component of the planned landscape.

The replacement planting is to be provided adequate space for future growth.

<u>Nursery stock</u> obtained from local nurseries shall be standard (single trunk). The tree planted should be well formed without co-dominant, poorly attached stems. It shall be disease free and absent of swirling or girdling roots.

Qualified professionals adhering to the following guidelines shall plant the replacement tree:

- Prepare the planting site by excavating 3 times the width and 2 inches less than the exact depth of the nursery container.
- Prune any visible matted or circling roots to remove or straighten them. Cut the root ball vertically
 on opposite sides at least half the distance to the trunk.
- Free roots from the root ball breaking away some of the soil to provide better contact between the root ball and the backfill soil.
- Backfill with native soil.
- After backfilling a two-inch layer of amended tree chip mulch should be applied to the soil layer. Chips should be amended with "Blood meal 13-0-0" at a ratio of 7 pounds per cubic yard of chips. Chips should not be applied within 8 inches of the trunk.
- Stakes, for support, should be installed on opposite sides of the root ball and driven into the soil. The tree can be secured to the stakes using "Arbortape" or by using the "ReadyStake" system.

<u>Supplemental irrigation</u> will be provided the new tree by means of a temporary "drip" emitter system for a period of two (2) years. This system shall be designed, installed and maintained by a qualified professional to provide necessary irrigation at least twice per week to maintain appropriate moisture levels. Appropriate irrigation levels are to be determined by the Project Arborist.

<u>Success Criteria</u> To ensure the survivability and proper growth of the replacement tree success criteria will be defined to meet a 100% survival rate and implemented as follows.

A qualified professional will monitor the newly planted tree at six (6) month intervals for a period of five years.

- Tree health and growth rates will be assessed
- · Trees suffering poor growth rates or declining health will be identified.
- · Invigoration treatments will be provided
- Dead trees or trees in an irreversible state of decline will be replaced.
- At the end of the five-year period the status of the new plantings will be assessed to make certain
 that success criteria has been met and all mitigation trees planted are performing well.

Implementation of these success criteria shall be a condition of project approval.

Any questions regarding these trees on this site and the proposed construction may be directed to my office.

James P. Allen Registered Consulting Arborist #390

Tree Preservation Specifications Felt Street Park, APNs 028-041-02 & 03

These guidelines should be printed on <u>all</u> pages of the development plans. Contractors and sub contractors should be aware of tree protection guidelines and restrictions. Contracts should incorporate tree protection language that includes "damage to trees will be appraised using the <u>Guide to Plant Appraisal 9th Edition</u> and monetary fines assessed".

A pre construction meeting with the Project Arborist

A meeting with the Project Arborist, Project Manager and all contractors involved with the project shall take place prior to mobilization onto the site. Tree preservation specifications will be reviewed and discussed.

Establishment of a tree preservation zone (TPZ)

Fencing with metal stakes embedded in the ground, shall be installed in areas designated by the project arborist. Fencing will be installed prior to the onset of construction, under the supervision of the project arborist and shall not be moved.

Preservation fencing

Straw bales will be placed end to end outside of the protection fencing. The fencing is to be 48 inches in height and secured with stakes. Straw bales may be secured by driving metal or wooden stakes through the bales to a depth of 12 to 18 inches below natural soil grade. This barricade will prevent damage to the fencing and prevent excess soil from grading and trenching from encroaching into the Tree Preservation Zone of the retained trees. The Tree Preservation Zone of each preserved tree is documented on the attached Tree Location/Preservation map.

Restrictions within the TPZ

No storage of construction materials, debris, or excess soil will be allowed within the TPZ. Parking of vehicles or construction equipment in this area is prohibited. Solvents or liquids of any type should be disposed of properly, never within this protected area.

Alteration of grade

Maintain the natural grade. If tree roots are unearthed during the construction process the consulting arborist will be notified immediately. Exposed roots will be covered with moistened burlap until the project arborist makes a determination as to how they should be dealt with.

Tree canopy alterations

Unauthorized pruning of trees will not be allowed. Tree canopy alterations will be performed to the specifications established by the Project Arborist.

Supplemental irrigation

Shall be provided if construction takes place outside of the winter months when normal rainfall occurs. Supplemental irrigation shall be applied using "soaker" hoses or similar method of delivery. Supplemental irrigation requirements shall be determined by the Project Arborist and will be required prior to and after completion of the construction.

Mulch Layer

A 4-6 inch layer of **amended tree chip mulch** shall be applied within the Tree Preservation Zone. Tree chips should be amended with 7 pounds Bloodmeal, 13-0-0, per cubic yard of chips.

Felt Street Park 1904 Felt Street, APN 028-041-02, 03

TREE RESOURCE INVENTORY

James P. Alten G Associates

Dedicated to the Preservation of Trees

•OBSERVATIONS •RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES •MEETS "SIGNIFICANT" CRITERIA Yes/No	 Small street tree in low vigor Remove due to Construction Impacts No 	Small street tree in low vigor Remove due to Construction Impacts No	Poor trunk/stem attachments Remove due to Construction Impacts No	•Poor trunk/stem attachments Decayed wounds Risk of Failure •Remove due to Construction Impacts •Yes	•Poor trunk/stem attachments Risk of failure •Preserve and Protect Triangular cable syatem Relocate drainage swale and irrigation supply fine outside of Critical Root Zone •Yes	•Small sprout •Remove due to Construction Impacts •No
IMPACTS Level/ Description	HIGH/ Within proposed grading	HIGH/ Within proposed grading	HIGH/ Within proposed grading	HIGH/ Within proposed grading	MODERATE/ Proximity to proposed drainage swale and irrigation supply line	HIGH/ Within proposed grading
SUITABILITY	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor
STRUCTURE	Poor	Poar	Poor	Poor /	Poor	Poor
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SPECIES	oak	o A A	acacia	eucalyptus	eucalyptus	walnut
TREE #						

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TREE RESOURCE INVENTORY

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•OBSERVATIONS •RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES •MEETS "SIGNIFICANT" CRITERIA Yes/No	•Small street tree •Remove due to Construction Impacts •No	Poor trunk/stem attachments Remove due to Construction Impacts No	 Aging fruit tree with decayed trunk sections Remove due to Poor Condition 	 Poor trunk/stem attachments Risk of failure Remove due to Poor Condition No 	 Poor trunk/stem attachments Remove due to Construction Impacts No 	 Small street tree Remove due to Construction Impacts No
IMPACTS Level/ Description	HIGH/ Within proposed grading	HIGH! Proximity to proposed structure. Within proposed grading	MODERATE/ Proximity to proposed grading	MODERATE/ Proximity to proposed grading	HIGH/ Within proposed parking lot	HIGH/ Within proposed grading
SUITABILITY	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor	IL BB	Poor
STRUCTURE	Poor	Poor	Paor	Poor	Poor	Poor
НЕАLТН	д. <u>г</u>	т. Б	Poor	Fair	Fair	Fair
DIAMETER @4.5ft ABOVE NATURAL GRADE (INCHES)	ю	Four trunks 11.5, 13, 9 & 12	4	multi-trunk 30 @ grade	Four trunks 7.3, 8, 6 & 4.5	Double trunk 6.3 & 3
SPECIES	Golden rain	walnut	fruiting pear	mnld	walnut	Golden rain
TREE #	2	∞ 93/115	6	10	11	12

1904 Felt Street, APN 028-041-02, 03 Felt Street Park

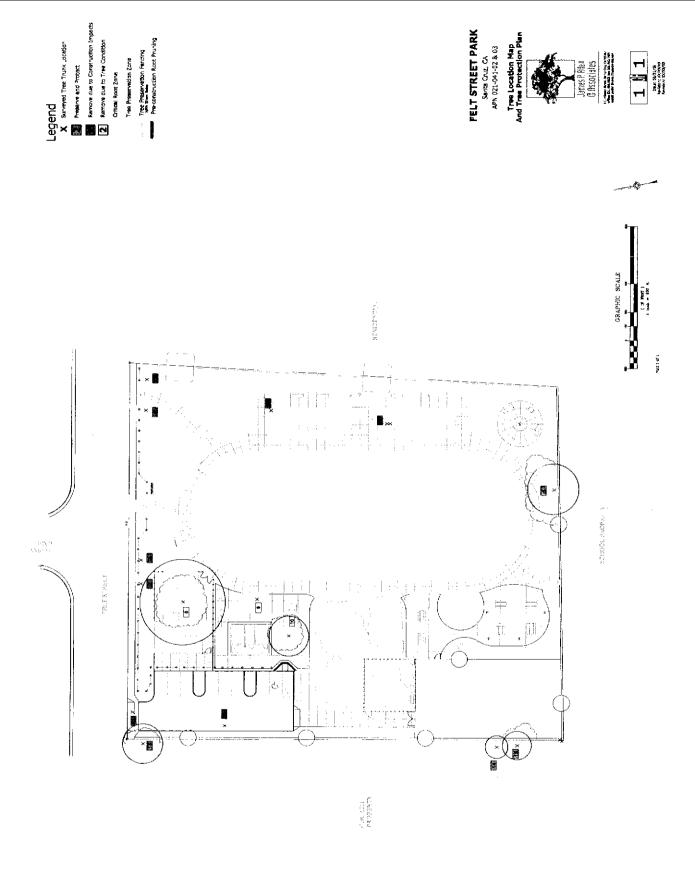
TREE RESOURCE INVENTORY

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•OBSERVATIONS •RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES •MEETS "SIGNIFICANT" CRITERIA Yes/No	*Grows on neighboring property Excellent young tree No visible Seqoula Pitch moth activity *Preserve and Protect Pre-construction root and possible canopy clearance pruning *No	Grows on neighboring property Poor funk/stem attachments Decay at basal area •Preserve and Protect Pre-construction root pruning construction	•Grows on neighboring property Poor trunk/stem attachments •Preserve and Protect Pre-construction root and canopy clearance pruning •No
IMPACTS Level/ Description	MODERATE/ Proximity to proposed parking lot, drainage swale and irrigation supply lines	MODERATE/ Proximity to proposed parking lot, drainage swale and irrigation supply lines	MODERATE/ Proximity to proposed parking lot, drainage swale and irrigation supply lines
SUITABILITY	Good	Fair	Fair
STRUCTURE	Fair	Poor	Poor
НЕАСТН	Good	П	Faair i
DIAMETER @ 4.5ft ABOVE NATURAL GRADE (INCHES)	16.5	Double trunk 9 & 4	Four trunks 8, 6, 7 & 5
SPECIES	Monterey pine	willow	willow
TREE #	<u>e</u>	₹ / 115	15

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Felt Street Park APN's 028-041-02 & 03

Project Arborist Final Plan Review

Prepared for Robert Olson, County of Santa Cruz Parks, Open Space and Cultural Services

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ASSIGNMENT/SCOPE OF SERVICES

The construction of a public park at 1904 Felt Street is proposed. In order to receive project approval, the following information has been requested by the Project Planner:

- Project Arborist review of:
 - o Soils report
 - o Final project plans
 - o Required procedures adjacent to Tree #5, 13, 14 and 15

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Project plans dated 10/22/09 and the *Limited Geotechnical Investigation* dated 9/6/09 were provided for my review by Robert Olson, Park Planner for County of Santa Cruz Parks, Open Space and Cultural Services. I reviewed these plans and found a few minor changes from the previous plans and one section where adjustments are necessary:

Impacts Adjacent to Tree #5

A drainage swale and irrigation lines are proposed within the Critical Root Zone of Tree #5. The construction of these elements will result in destruction of major supporting roots and potential destabilization of this tree. Additionally, this tree has a serious structural weakness; codominant stems with included bark, at red arrow. This condition is typical of those prone to failure. Although this condition can be stabilized with the installation of a cable system, it requires frequent monitoring and continued maintenance by qualified personnel. Without the implementation of recommended stabilization procedures and a management commitment, this tree is at risk of falling, potentially injuring persons using the park or the adjacent school playground.

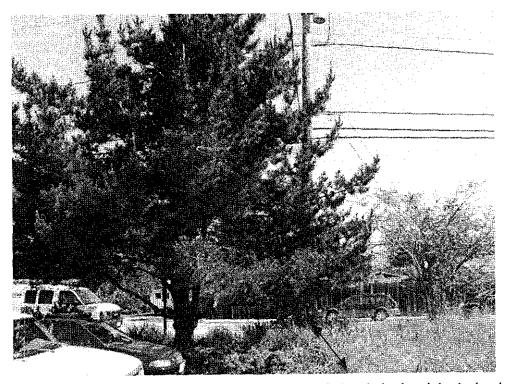


Considering existing tree condition, proposed impacts and diminishing tree maintenance budgets, I modify my original recommendation and suggest the removal of this tree. I further recommend replanting two, 36-inch boxed coast redwoods Sequoia sempervirens Soquel or Santa Cruz to restore lost resources and provide large- scale canopy similar to that of Tree #5, recommended for removal.

Site stabilization, Parking Lot Construction adjacent to Tree #13

The geotechnical requirements involve removing existing soils to a depth of 8 to 32 inches and 36 inches beyond the edge of pavement depending on existing soil conditions, determined by the project soils engineer.

These objectives can be met without adverse affects on tree health or structure by performing preconstruction root pruning at the line indicated in blue on the photo below. A "DitchWitch" or similar type trencher is to be used before grading begins to sever roots at this "final line of disturbance".



Roots severed during this trenching operation can be pruned cleanly by hand, bark should adhere to the wood without tearing. Wood fibers should remain intact without shattering. The following tools should be used:

- Hand-pruners
- Loppers
- Handsaw
- · Reciprocating saw
- Chainsaw

When completed, the pruned portions should be covered with burlap or similar material and kept moist.

The tree canopy <u>does not</u> need to be pruned in order to construct the project as proposed. Tree protection fencing should be installed at the property boundary prior to equipment being mobilized on the site.

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Site stabilization, Community Garden adjacent to Tree #14 and 15

Since this are is proposed to be a community garden it should not require stabilization. Hopefully the existing nutrient rich soil will remain.

Trees #14 and 15 pictured below will not require root or canopy pruning. Tree protection fencing should be installed at the property boundary, indicated by the red line prior to equipment being mobilized on the site.



The adjacent property owners should be advised of the intended actions and protection strategies proposed in proximity to Tree #13, 14 and 15.

Questions regarding the tree resources on this project may be directed to my office.

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JOE SCHULTZ, DIRECTOR

March 30, 2010

TO:

Annette Olson, Project Planner Development Review

FROM:

Bob Olson, Park Planner

SUBJECT:

FELT STREET PARK PARKING ANALYSIS

In response to your request regarding the proposed parking for Felt Street Park, I have prepared a table comparing the parking availability at other neighborhood park sites within the Live Oak Soquel areas. As you take a look at this table, you will find a wide range in the extremes. Brommer Park with 7.6 acres has 38 parking spaces and Winkle Farm Park with 6.3 acres has very limited unmarked parking at the end of a cul-de-sac. I think the difference can be attributed to the type and intensity of the facilities provided. Brommer Park has two tennis courts and a softball field that can be used by "organized sports". Even though Brommer Park is a neighborhood park, the organized sports field can draw uses from outside the immediate neighborhood, therefore creating the demand for more parking.

In looking at Winkle Farm Park, the facility development is limited. There is a large turf area but it is not marked and not rented for organized sports. This park like many other neighborhood parks, are built to serve the immediate neighborhood. Walking and bicycling are encouraged as the means of visiting these parks.

Jose Avenue Park with 2.7 acres and 23 parking spaces is within a mile of Felt Street Park. Jose Avenue Park is heavily programmed with a large playground, basketball court skate park, sand volleyball, turf area, community garden, restroom building and 28' group picnic shelter. The group picnic shelter has a large draw and is used constantly. Jose Avenue Park is also surrounded by a high density of apartment complexes.

With Felt Street Park, the proximity and configuration of the park allows for the design of a small parking area (8 spaces) to accommodate accessibility requirements and provide limited parking for other uses. The provision of a small parking area will discourage park users from using the church parking area next door, therefore suppressing potential conflicts later on.

The Felt Street Park skate area is relatively small and is geared toward the beginner and intermediate level skater. This design should only attract the immediate neighborhood users. In addition, the Jose Avenue Park skate area and the proposed Chanticleer Park skate area are less than a mile away in opposite directions from the proposed Felt Street Park skate area.

The Mission of the Santa Cruz County Department of Parks, Open Space and Cultural Services is to provide safe, well designed and maintained parks and a wide variety of recreational and cultural opportunities for our diverse community

The proposed turf area at Felt Street Park is not designed or large enough for organized sports. Its purpose is to provide an area for pick up sports such as throwing a Frisbee or a football to one another. The play area, picnic area and bocce ball courts are intended for use by the immediate neighborhood. Parks feels confident that the small parking area proposed will be adequate for the park users. Limited on-street parking is available on the opposite side of Felt Street.

There are bike lanes on both sides of Felt Street with only one side wide enough for on-street parking. A bike rack will be installed at Felt Street Park, therefore encouraging the use of bicycles as a mode of transportation to visit the park. In addition, the park is served by sidewalks in both directions and has controlled gated access to the Del Mar School property. This arrangement will encourage travel to the park by walking or biking. If you need any additional information about the Felt Street Park parking, please let me know.

Thanks,

Bob

Attachment: Parking Lot Evaluation for Neighborhood Parks

ce: Joe Schultz, Director POSCS

OF EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS IN LIVE OAK AND SOQUEL UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY PARKS DEPARTMENT PARKING LOT EVALUATION

Minnhar	Dark Site	Park Acreage	Parking Spaces	Facilities
I Adilla	Felt Street Park	8.1	8	Playground, turf, skate area, picnic, community garden, bocce
	Brommer Park	7.6	38	Playground, softball field, other turf, group picnic, tennis
2	Coffee Lane Park	2.7	10	Playground, basketball court, picnic tables, turf
3	Floral Park	6.	Limited street	Playground, turf, future picnic, restroom, dog area
4	Hestwood Park	9.	Limited street	Playground, turf, restroom, picnic
5	Jose Avenue Park	2.7	23	Playground, turf, restroom, picnic shelter, skate park, community garden, sand volleyball, basketball
9	Richard Vessey Park	.5	None	Small playground, picnic area and small turf
7	Santa Cruz Gardens	1.9	Limited street	Small playground, turf
8	Soquel Lions Park	.2	None	Small playground, turf, picnic area, portable totlet
6	Twin Lakes Park	1.4	Limited on street	Playground, tennis court, basketball court, restroom, turi
10	Willowbrook Park	2.7	On street	Playground, tennis court, basketball court, restroom, turi
	Winkle Farm Park	6.3	Limited on street	Playground, turf, horseshoes, picnic
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FELT STREET PARK ACOUSTICAL REPORT

Santa Cruz County, CA 18 August 2009

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INTRODUCTION

This report provides our acoustical analysis of the project site for its proposed development as a multi-use neighborhood park with a skateboard area. It summarizes the applicable County of Santa Cruz requirements including the General Plan Noise Element and County Code Noise Ordinance, the results of our July 2009 acoustical measurements, calculated noise effects on surrounding land uses due to future park activities, and project compliance with County acoustical standards.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Although activity noise at the skateboarding area portion of the proposed Felt Street Park project will be intermittently audible at the surrounding neighbors, the skateboarding area portion of the proposed Felt Street Park project will not cause acoustical impacts on the surrounding land uses, and meets the County of Santa Cruz requirements. Noise due to construction of the park will be mitigated to County policies.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project is an approximately 2 acre park located across from the intersection of Felt Street and Aloha Lane in Santa Cruz County. It will include parking for eight cars, a large central turf area, walking paths, public restrooms, two bocce courts, children's play area, community garden, as well as an approximately 2,200-square foot skateboard area along Felt Street.

According to the proposed skateboarding area manufacturer, Skate Concept/Barkman Concrete, skateboarding areas incorporate design features that help to reduce noise impacts¹, including fabrication techniques that minimize necessary seams and joints, as well as smoother, high-compressive strength concrete.

Per the County Parks Department the skateboarding area area will have enough room for approximately 3 to 5 skateboarders and will be open from 9:00am to dusk² (it will not be lighted).

EXISTING SITE

A majority of the site is an unimproved dirt lot surrounded by residences to the north and east, Shoreline Middle School to the south³, and a church to the west. An abandoned residence takes up the northwest portion of the project site along Felt Street. The residences across Felt Street (north) are one story; the ones to the east are two stories.

¹ Skate Concept website: http://skateconcept.com/construction/quality.html. Proposed skateboarding area plan shown on Sheet L-15 of the project plans.

² Emails from the County Parks Department received on 28 May and 30 July 2009.

³ Shoreline Middle School was unoccupied during our measurements.

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The residences to the east have wooden fences ranging in height from about six to eight feet, sufficient to visually shield the first level of those homes from view at the project site.

ACOUSTICAL CRITERIA

1994 Santa Cruz County General Plan, Chapter 6, Public Safety and Noise

Objective 6.9a states that the purpose of Chapter 6 is to "To promote land uses which are compatible with each other and with the existing and future noise environment. Prevent new noise sources from increasing the existing noise levels above acceptable standards and eliminate or reduce noise from existing objectionable noise sources."

Policy 6.9.1 summarizes the noise levels that would be considered "acceptable" based on their exposure to exterior noise sources. The table below summarizes the applicable levels:

Santa C Land Use Compatibi	Cruz County Genera lity for Outdoor Sp	al Plan Noise Element Chapter 6, Figure 6-1 – orts and Recreation, Neighborhood Parks and Playgrounds
Exterior Noise Exposure (dB DNL ⁴ or CNEL ⁵)	Category of Acceptability	Definition
Below 65 dB	"Normally Acceptable"	Specified land use is satisfactory, based upon the assumption that any buildings involved are of conventional construction, without any special noise insulation requirements.
65 dB to 80 dB	"Conditionally Acceptable"	Specified land use may be permitted only after detailed analysis of the noise reduction requirements and needed noise insulation features included in the design.
Above 80 dB	"Unacceptable"	New construction or development should generally not be undertaken because mitigation is usually not feasible to comply with noise element policies.

Policy 6.9.7 requires that construction noise be mitigated as a condition of future project approvals.

Project Operational Noise – Thresholds of Significance⁶

⁴ Day-Night Average Sound Level (DNL) - A descriptor established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to represent a 24-hour average noise level with a penalty applied to noise occurring during the nighttime hours (10 p.m. to 7 a.m.) to account for the increased sensitivity of people during sleeping hours. A 10-dB increase in sound level is perceived by people to be twice as loud.

⁵ Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) – A descriptor for the 24-hour A-weighted average noise level, The CNEL concept accounts for the increased acoustical sensitivity of people to noise during the evening and nighttime hours. Sound levels during the hours from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. are penalized 5 dB; sound levels during the hours from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. are penalized 10 dB. As noted in the County Noise Element, the DNL and CNEL metrics are considered to be equivalent.

⁶ Derived from Jose Avenue Park acoustical report by Illingworth & Rodkin, pages 11-14. Received 28 May 2009 from John Cahalan and the County of Santa Cruz.

For proposed "non-transportation" noise sources such as the skateboarding area, the County thresholds for significance are as follows:

- New project-generated noise sources which would significantly increase existing ambient noise levels
- New project-generated noise sources which would exceed 60 dB DNL at noisesensitive land uses

ASSESSMENT OF EXISTING NOISE ENVIRONMENT

24-Hour Noise Levels

To quantify the existing noise environment we conducted two 48-hour long-term measurements and two simultaneous spot measurements at the site between 20 and 22 July 2009. These measurements identified existing sources of noise at the project property lines; we compared them to the County Land Use Compatibility requirements in the General Plan. From our measurements we were able to determine the DNL at each location. The measured data is summarized below and also shown in Figure 1:

	Felt Street Park: On-Site Acoustical Measurement Locations and DN	NL.
Monitor	Measurement Location	DNL
LI	Approximately 20 feet to the south of the centerline of Felt Street, 150 feet to the west of the east property line, 12 feet above grade on a light pole	64 dB
L2	In a tree approximately 40 feet to the west of the east property line, 200 feet south of the centerline of Felt Street, 12 feet above grade	54 dB
S 1	At approximately the west property line of the Felt Street property, 140 feet to the south of the centerline of Felt Street, five feet above grade	56 dB*
S2	At south property line of Felt Street property adjacent to Shoreline Middle School track; approximately 80 feet to the east of the existing community garden, 5 feet above grade	48 dB**
* DNL calc ** DNL cal	ulated from increased setback distance from Felt Street. culated from 15-minute simultaneous offset from monitor L2.	

At the project property lines, the DNL is calculated to range from about 64 dB to 48 dB. These levels are within the County's "normally acceptable" range for new land uses.

Those readers not familiar with the fundamental concepts of environmental noise please refer to Appendix A.

Noise from Typically-Occurring Events

While on site we measured typically-occurring maximum noise levels (i.e., Lmax⁷) from various neighborhood sources. The table below summarizes these data and where the maximum levels were measured:

Felt Street Par	k: Measured Maximum Noise Le	vels
Source	Range of Measured Lmax, dBA	Measurement Location
Cars	76-82	
Trucks	75-81	Ll
Motorcycles	74-84	
Dog barks	68-75	L2
Local home maintenance*	67-72	
Train hom**	45	S1
Aircraft	55	S2
People using Shoreline Middle School track	48	S2

CALCULATIONS AND ANALYSIS

Assumptions

To estimate the change in day-night average noise levels (DNL) due to proposed skateboarding area activities, we calculated the potential effects due to the 2,200 square foot skate area on the neighbors. For our analysis we assumed the following:

- A maximum of 5 skateboarders using the skateboarding area simultaneously
- Noise sources are primarily skateboard wheels and boards impacting the concrete, as well as skateboarders' voices
- Hours of operation from 9:00am to dusk;8 for this analysis, dusk was assumed to be 8:00pm
- No skateboarder activity when park is closed
- Skateboard noise levels from 2002 Jose Avenue acoustical report from Illingworth & Rodkin, Inc. (I&R)⁹, see below
- Noise-reducing features of skateboarding area manufacturer incorporated into the design (e.g., "smooth" concrete, minimal joints)
- No acoustical shielding to homes along east side of the park (second story)

^{**}Nearest train tracks are about 700-800 feet north of the project site.

 $^{^{7}}$ L_{max} - The maximum A-weighted sound level measured during a period of time.

⁸ Park hours of operation from County of Santa Cruz email, received 30 July 2009.

⁹ Jose Avenue Park acoustical report by Illingworth & Rodkin, pages 11-14.

Skateboarding Area Noise

The County supplied us with the 2002 I&R Jose Avenue skateboarding area report. This report noted both average (Hourly Leq) and maximum (Lmax) noise levels; the number of skaters that the firm noted in their report is similar to the number planned for the Felt Street skateboarding area. Their data is summarized as follows:

- Hourly Leq: 56 dBA at a distance of 30 feet
- Maximum noise levels as high as 75 dBA at a distance of 30 feet from the "skate pit"; noise sources included wheel-concrete noise, yelling, and wipeouts 10

These data agree with our noise predictions for similar skateboarding area projects. We understand that the proposed Felt Street skateboarding area will be about half the size of the Jose Avenue site¹¹.

Construction Noise

The County Parks Department expects that construction will last about 4 months. They stated that typical construction hours will be 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. Construction noise mitigation falls under the purview of the County noise requirements.

The civil engineer foresees the following construction activities¹²:

- Demolition of the abandoned residence on Felt Street
- Rough grading and installation of irrigation piping
- Finish grading of the site
- Concrete work including the skateboarding area
- Construction of the bathroom building

Construction could employ common construction equipment such as a skip loader, backhoe, saws, bulldozer, or other diesel-powered equipment. These types of equipment typically produce noise levels between about 78 to 85 dBA at a distance of 50 feet.

ASSESSMENT OF NOISE ENVIRONMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Measured DNL noise levels at the project property lines are exposed to noise levels that are considered to be "normally acceptable" per the County Noise Element. Therefore, no "special noise insulation requirements" are needed.

¹⁰ Jose Avenue Park acoustical report by Illingworth & Rodkin, pages 12.

¹¹ 27 May 2009 email from Bob Olson of the County to John Cahalan, Landscape Architect, received 28 May 2009.

¹² Email from Dave Vorhees of Underwood and Rosenblum, Inc., received 4 August 2009.

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Skateboarding area DNL

Under the assumptions noted above, we calculate the following change in DNL at the nearest property lines due to skateboarding area activities:

	Felt	Street Park: C	alculated Change	in Future DN	L with Project	
Property Line	Nearest Neighbor	Approx. Distance to Nearest Neighbors	Calculated Skateboarding area DNL at property lines (dB)	DNL at nearest neighbors	Change in measured/calc ulated existing DNL due to skateboarding area (dB)	Calculated Future DNL including Skateboarding area (dB)
North	Residential 1-story	65 feet	51 dB	64 dB	+0.1 dB	64 dB
East	Residential 1 & 2-story	165 feet	37 dB	50 dB	+0.1 dB	50 dB
West	Church	140 feet	48 dB	56 dB	+0.1 dB	57 dB
South	Middle School	270 feet	35 dB	48 dB	+0.2 dB	48 dB

The calculated increase in average noise levels at all four proposed Felt Street Park property lines is expected to be less than 1 dB, and is not significant. Each calculated DNL due to skateboarding area activity also falls below the 60 dB threshold for significance.

Skateboarding Area Maximum Noise Levels

Maximum noise levels from skateboarding area activity (e.g., board slams, wheel-on-concrete noise) are not calculated to be significantly louder than typically-occurring events such as cars, trucks, construction activity in the neighborhood, or dog barks as shown in the table below:

Felt Street P	ark: Calculated Maximum Noise Levels di Neighbors	ue to Skateboarding area at
Direction	Nearest Occupied Area	Calculated Maximum Skateboarding Area Noise Levels (Lmax dBA)
North	Residences – Outside first story of homes	69
East	Residences – Outside second story of homes	60
West	Church façade, north	62
South	Middle School Track area closest to skateboarding area (north property line)	56

A comparison of these values to the measured levels of onsite typically occurring noise sources such as traffic, aircraft overflights, dog barks, or home maintenance (refer to Page 5 above) shows that predicted skateboarding area noise levels are at or below the existing environmental noise sources.

During lulls in traffic or temporary cessation of other sources of environmental noise, skateboarding area noise is expected to be intermittently audible to the nearest receivers.

Construction Noise

The maximum noise level at adjacent noise-sensitive land uses will vary depending on the location of the various pieces of equipment. As stated above, construction noise mitigation is under the purview of County noise requirements (Policy 6.9.7).

Assuming typical construction equipment, we calculate the following skateboarding area construction noise levels at the nearest receivers:

Felt Street Park: Calculated Maximum Noise Levels due to Skateboarding Area Construction at Neighbors	
Location(s)	Maximum Calculated Construction Noise Levels (dBA)
Residential to the north	72 to 81
Residential to the east	65 to 74
Church to the west	67 to 76
Middle School track to the south	61 to 70

At the second story of the east single-family homes for example, maximum noise levels are calculated to be as loud as 81 dB from construction approximately 65 feet away. These levels would only occur when construction activity is closest to the property line.

The project should also consider implementing a neighborhood program to educate local residents as to the schedule and duration; also, appointing a "point person" for noise inquiries from neighboring residents during construction should be considered.

Enclosures as noted

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APPENDIX A FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL NOISE

This section provides background information to aid in understanding the technical aspects of this report.

Three dimensions of environmental noise are important in determining subjective response. These are:

The intensity or level of the sound
The frequency spectrum of the sound
The time-varying character of the sound

Airborne sound is a rapid fluctuation of air pressure above and below atmospheric pressure. Sound levels are usually measured and expressed in decibels (dB), with 0 dB corresponding roughly to the threshold of hearing.

The "frequency" of a sound refers to the number of complete pressure fluctuations per second in the sound. The unit of measurement is the cycle per second (cps) or hertz (Hz). Most of the sounds, which we hear in the environment, do not consist of a single frequency, but of a broad band of frequencies, differing in level. The name of the frequency and level content of a sound is its sound spectrum. A sound spectrum for engineering purposes is typically described in terms of octave bands, which separate the audible frequency range (for human beings, from about 20 to 20,000 Hz) into ten segments.

Many rating methods have been devised to permit comparisons of sounds having quite different spectra. Surprisingly, the simplest method correlates with human response practically as well as the more complex methods. This method consists of evaluating all of the frequencies of a sound in accordance with a weighting that progressively deemphasizes the importance of frequency components below 1000 Hz and above 5000 Hz. This frequency weighting reflects the fact that human hearing is less sensitive at low frequencies and at extreme high frequencies relative to the mid-range.

The weighting system described above is called "A"-weighting, and the level so measured is called the "A-weighted sound level" or "A-weighted noise level." The unit of A-weighted sound level is sometimes abbreviated "dBA." In practice, the sound level is conveniently measured using a sound level meter that includes an electrical filter corresponding to the A-weighting characteristic. All U.S. and international standard sound level meters include such a filter. Typical sound levels found in the environment and in industry are shown in Figure A-1.

Although a single sound level value may adequately describe environmental noise at any instant in time, community noise levels vary continuously. Most environmental noise is a conglomeration of distant noise sources, which results in a relatively steady background noise having no identifiable source. These distant sources may include traffic, wind in

trees, industrial activities, etc. and are relatively constant from moment to moment. As natural forces change or as human activity follows its daily cycle, the sound level may vary slowly from hour to hour. Superimposed on this slowly varying background is a succession of identifiable noisy events of brief duration. These may include nearby activities such as single vehicle pass-bys, aircraft flyovers, etc. which cause the environmental noise level to vary from instant to instant.

To describe the time-varying character of environmental noise, statistical noise descriptors were developed. "L10" is the A-weighted sound level equaled or exceeded during 10 percent of a stated time period. The L10 is considered a good measure of the maximum sound levels caused by discrete noise events. "L50" is the A-weighted sound level that is equaled or exceeded 50 percent of a stated time period; it represents the median sound level. The "L90" is the A-weighted sound level equaled or exceeded during 90 percent of a stated time period and is used to describe the background noise.

As it is often cumbersome to quantify the noise environment with a set of statistical descriptors, a single number called the average sound level or " L_{eq} " is now widely used. The term " L_{eq} " originated from the concept of a so-called equivalent sound level which contains the same acoustical energy as a varying sound level during the same time period. In simple but accurate technical language, the L_{eq} is the average A-weighted sound level in a stated time period. The L_{eq} is particularly useful in describing the subjective change in an environment where the source of noise remains the same but there is change in the level of activity. Widening roads and/or increasing traffic are examples of this kind of situation.

In determining the daily measure of environmental noise, it is important to account for the different response of people to daytime and nighttime noise. During the nighttime, exterior background noise levels are generally lower than in the daytime; however, most household noise also decreases at night, thus exterior noise intrusions again become noticeable. Further, most people trying to sleep at night are more sensitive to noise. To account for human sensitivity to nighttime noise levels, a special descriptor was developed. The descriptor is called the L_{dn} (Day/Night Average Sound Level), which represents the 24-hour average sound level with a penalty for noise occurring at night. The L_{dn} computation divides the 24-hour day into two periods: daytime (7:00 am to 10:00 pm); and nighttime (10:00 pm to 7:00 am). The nighttime sound levels are assigned a 10 dB penalty prior to averaging with daytime hourly sound levels.

For highway noise environments, the average noise level during the peak hour traffic volume is approximately equal to the $L_{\rm dn}$.

The effects of noise on people can be listed in three general categories:

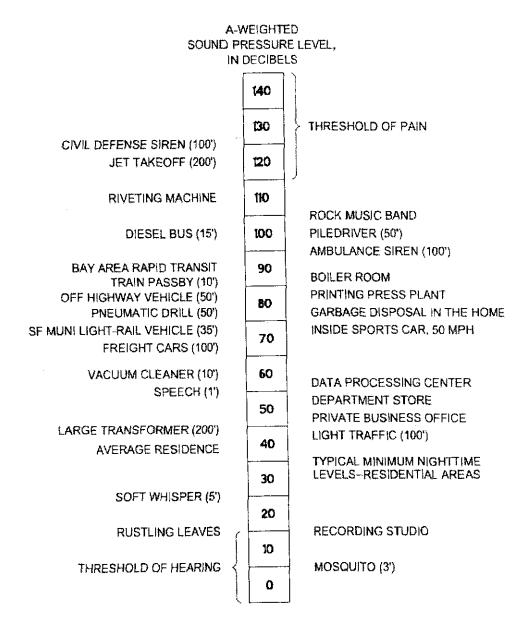
Subjective effects of annoyance, nuisance, dissatisfaction Interference with activities such as speech, sleep, and learning Physiological effects such as startle, hearing loss

The sound levels associated with environmental noise usually produce effects only in the first two categories. Unfortunately, there has never been a completely predictable measure for the subjective effects of noise nor of the corresponding reactions of annoyance and dissatisfaction. This is primarily because of the wide variation in individual thresholds of annoyance and habituation to noise over time.

Thus, an important factor in assessing a person's subjective reaction is to compare the new noise environment to the existing noise environment. In general, the more a new noise exceeds the existing, the less acceptable the new noise will be judged.

With regard to increases in noise level, knowledge of the following relationships will be helpful in understanding the quantitative sections of this report:

Except in carefully controlled laboratory experiments, a change of only 1 dB in sound level cannot be perceived. Outside of the laboratory, a 3 dB change is considered a just-noticeable difference. A change in level of at least 5 dB is required before any noticeable change in community response would be expected. A 10 dB change is subjectively heard as approximately a doubling in loudness, and would almost certainly cause an adverse community response.



(100') = DISTANCE IN FEET BETWEEN SOURCE AND LISTENER

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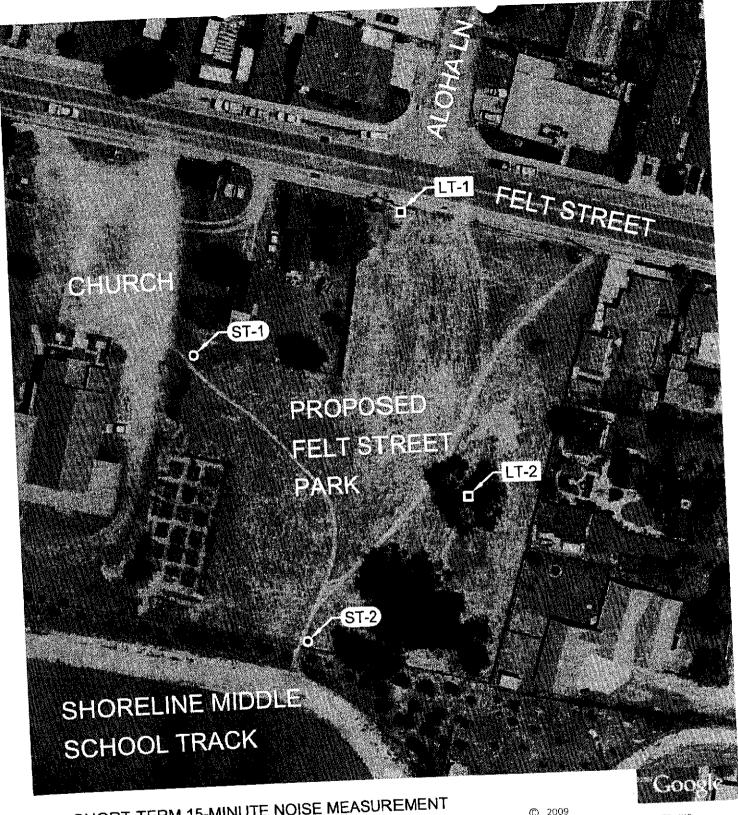
TYPICAL SOUND LEVELS

MEASURED IN THE
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FIGURE A1

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● = SHORT-TERM 15-MINUTE NOISE MEASUREMENT

■ = LONG-TERM 48-HOUR NOISE MEASUREMENT

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PROPOSED FELT STREET PARK ACOUSTICAL MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS 7/20/09-7/22/09 **FIGURE**

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