South Davis Neighborhood Park
Proposed Master Plan

Board of Community Services
December 14, 2022
INTRODUCTION
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Goals and Objectives

- **Project Goals:**
  - Update and amend the existing South Davis Park master plan based on community input
  - Design a new playground area based on community input and install before December 2023
  - Provide for proper safety, accessibility, equity, and connectivity
Project Schedule

Community Meetings
- Meeting #1: March 24
- Meeting #2 (Site): April 9
- Meeting #3: June 15
- East Side Mtg: July 14
- Meeting #4 (Site): Sept 10
- LBES Park Input Day: Oct 27

Master Plan Approval
- BOCS: Today
- City Council: Feb 2023

Construction Documents
- Dec ’22 - February ‘23

Bidding and Construction
- Bidding: February - May ‘23
- Construction: May - Dec ‘23
EXISTING PARK

South Davis Park
Santa Rosa Recreation & Parks Dept.
Santa Rosa, CA.
Site Analysis

- Vacant, City-Owned Lot
- Basketball Half-Court with Asphalt Paving
- Picnic Area with Tables and Trash Cans
- Playground Areas with Rubber and Sand Surfacing
- Corrugated Steel Sound Wall
- Pedestrian Bridge Access Staircase
- Picnic Area with Tables and Trash
- Masonry Block Sound Wall
- Recreational Lawn
- Sidewalk Ends
- Sidewalks Along Park Frontage
- Gap in Sidewalk
- Gap in Sidewalk
- S Davis St
- Gap in Sidewalk
- Bella St
- Barnett St
- Olive St
- Camino Real

N:
South Davis Existing Master Plan (2003)
COMMUNITY FEEDBACK
Community Engagement in the Master Plan Process

Meeting #1 (Zoom)
- March 24, 2022
- Zoom: 17 Attendees
- Online Survey: 58 Responses

Meeting #2 (on site)
- April 9, 2022
- In Person: 24 Attendees
- Paper Survey: 9 Responses

Meeting #3 (Zoom)
- June 15, 2022
- Zoom: 5 Attendees
- Survey: 66 Responses

Meeting #4 (on site)
- September 10, 2022
- In Person: 8 Attendees
- Survey: 43 Responses

Meeting with South A / Earle St. Neighborhood
- July 14, 2022
- In Person: 12 Attendees

Luther Burbank Elementary
- October 27, 2022
- 250 Students

Board of Community Services
- Today
  - Present revised draft Master Plan for input and recommendation

City Council
- February 14, 2023
  - Present final Master Plan for input and approval
Community Outreach

- **A-frame Signs** at South Davis Park, Olive Park, MLK Park, So. A St. Lot, Juilliard Park, Luther Burbank Elementary

- **City Connections e-Newsletter**

- **Santa Rosa Park Projects webpage** [https://srcity.org/3714/South-Davis-Park](https://srcity.org/3714/South-Davis-Park)

- **Flyer** distributed by neighbors, at General Plan Update meeting and Luther Burbank Elementary

- Meetings posted to **City Social Media** via Facebook and Nextdoor

- **Direct Mail Postcard** delivered to 1,932 residences and businesses

- **Emails** and **phone calls** with Luther Burbank Elementary and Roseland CBI

- **Word of Mouth**
Please select your age range.
SURVEY RESULTS | Where in the City do you live?

Surveys 1, 2, 3

Northeast
6%, 20%, 32%

Northwest
7%, 19%, 12%

Southeast
19%, 30%, 19%

Southwest
60%, 28%, 30%

Outside City Limits
8%, 3%, 7%
What is the primary reason you visit South Davis Park?

- Take kids to play: 28
- Spend time outside / enjoy nature: 16
- Walk the dog: 5
- Exercise: 3
- Socialize: 2
- Neighborhood or family events: 4
- Pedestrian bridge [...] : 3
- I don't visit the park: 7
- Other (please specify): 3
### Survey Results

**Which features do you appreciate most at South Davis Park?**

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<td>Sidewalks</td>
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<td>Playground equipment</td>
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<td>Basketball half-court</td>
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<td>Recreational lawn</td>
<td>22</td>
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<td>Lots of trees</td>
<td>46</td>
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<td>Public art / murals</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>Pedestrian bridge […]</td>
<td>25</td>
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What goals should be kept in mind while envisioning the future of South Davis Park?

Survey 1

- Keep the park safe: 39
- Keep the park clean and well-maintained: 49
- Nature and passive recreation: 22
- Active recreation: 21
- Meet and socialize: 22
- Create a better playground: 18
- Welcoming and accessible to all: 21
- Maintain and enhance access to east side of 101: 19
- Keep the park as is: 3
- Other (please specify): 7
**Survey Comments Summary**

**Survey 1**

- **Inclusivity / Accessibility**
  - Inclusive and accessible design
  - Park amenities for all ages
  - Address parking challenges

- **Community**
  - Incorporate South A St. / Earle St. lot
  - Space for neighborhood events – Summer Campout, movie nights

- **Safety / Maintenance**
  - Fencing around toddler playground
  - Replace / repair metal wall (steel fence)
  - Increased / better lighting
  - Fence off area under pedestrian bridge ramp

- **Other**
  - Why remove the playground equipment?
  - Homeless encampments a concern

*South A St. / Earle St. Neighborhood clean-up Photos provided by Chérie Gunnell*
Master Plan Concepts

A - Fun + Games

B - Community + Connection

C - Nature + Play
Concept A - Fun + Games
Concept B - Community + Connection
Concept C - Nature + Play
PROPOSED MASTER PLAN
**Survey Results | Steel Fence and Tree Removal**

**Survey 2**

**Would you prefer to see the existing steel fence replaced with a solid concrete block wall?**

- Yes: 64%
- No: 10%
- No Opinion: 26%

**Do you support the removal of the existing eucalyptus trees along the steel fence?**

- Yes: 62%
- No: 30%
- No Opinion: 8%

**Do you support the removal of trees to accommodate new park features and amenities?**

- Yes: 61%
- No: 34%
- No Opinion: 5%
Steel Fence and Tree Removal

- Replace metal fence with block wall; will require coordination with and approval by Caltrans
- Add fence under pedestrian ramp
- Ex. block wall starts here
- Remove eucalyptus along steel fence
- Add fence under pedestrian ramp
- Ex. block wall starts here

Corrugated steel fence
Masonry block wall
**SURVEY RESULTS | Play Area**

**Survey 3**

**WOULD YOU LIKE A WALKING PATH AROUND THE PLAY AREA?**

- Yes: 86%
- No: 7%
- No Opinion: 7%

**WHAT KIND OF SEPARATION DO YOU PREFER BETWEEN THE ROAD AND THE PLAYGROUND AREA?**

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<td>Boulders</td>
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<td>Landscaping</td>
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<td>Decorative bollards</td>
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<td>Low wall</td>
<td>15</td>
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Play Area

- Seat walls for additional enclosure
- Fencing along road to enclose play area
- Walking path
- Bollard security lighting
**SURVEY RESULTS | What types of play equipment / features would you like to see in a new play area?**

**Survey 1**

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<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>Spinning features</td>
<td>33%</td>
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<td>Swings</td>
<td>16%</td>
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<td>Group swing</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<td>Slides</td>
<td>28%</td>
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<td>Play mounds / hills</td>
<td>13%</td>
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<td>Sand</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>Zipline</td>
<td>31%</td>
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<td>3%</td>
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<td>6%</td>
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*Based on survey responses,*

![Images of playground equipment]
**SURVEY RESULTS | Play Equipment**

**Survey 3**

**PLEASE RANK THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE FROM 1 TO 6, WITH 1 AS THE HIGHEST AND 6 AS THE LOWEST.**

- **Most**
  - #1 Choice

- **# of votes**

- **Highest**
- **Ranking**
- **Lowest**

![Diagram showing rankings of different playground equipment options](image-url)
SURVEY RESULTS | Play Equipment
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WHICH PLAYGROUND IS YOUR FAVORITE?

- Playground A: 12 (1st-2nd), 11 (3rd-4th)
- Playground B: 6 (1st-2nd), 15 (3rd-4th), 11 (5th-6th)
- Playground C: 8 (1st-2nd), 3 (3rd-4th)
- Playground D: 4 (1st-2nd), 2 (3rd-4th)
- Playground E: 10 (1st-2nd), 41 (3rd-4th), 46 (5th-6th)
- Playground F: 5 (1st-2nd), 9 (3rd-4th)

*Star indicates the most popular playground.*
**SURVEY RESULTS | Play Equipment**

**Luther Burbank Elementary**

**Which Spinner is Your Favorite?**

- **Standup**: TK-K 5, 1st-2nd 6, 3rd-4th 1
- **Spinning Cup**: TK-K 19, 1st-2nd 5, 3rd-4th 7
- **Spinning Climber**: TK-K 13, 1st-2nd 20, 3rd-4th 31
- **Supernova**: TK-K 12, 1st-2nd 4, 3rd-4th 8

**Which Slide is Your Favorite?**

- **Two Bar Slide**: TK-K 17, 1st-2nd 11, 3rd-4th 55
- **Sidewinder Slide**: TK-K 5, 1st-2nd 31
- **Twisty Metal Slide**: TK-K 12, 1st-2nd 19, 3rd-4th 1
- **Wide Metal Slide**: TK-K 11, 1st-2nd 2
- **Wide at Bottom Slide**: TK-K 6, 1st-2nd 2, 3rd-4th 4
Which balancing piece is your favorite?

- Logs: 10 TK-K, 11 1st-2nd, 2 3rd-4th
- Tightrope: 18 TK-K, 16 1st-2nd, 13 3rd-4th
- Group Seesaw: 9 TK-K, 8 1st-2nd, 21 3rd-4th
- Seesaw: 5 TK-K, 2 1st-2nd, 1 3rd-4th
- Wooden Seesaw: 10 TK-K, 3 1st-2nd, 6 3rd-4th

Which activity would you come to the park to participate in?

- Skate Spot: 2 TK-K, 9 1st-2nd
- Zipline: 29 TK-K, 68 1st-2nd
- Community Garden: 12 TK-K
- Exercise Equipment: 12 TK-K
- Ball Wall: 3 TK-K

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Play Area

Mix of play equipment for ages 2-5 and 5-12
**Survey 3**

**WHICH GAMES / ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE PARK?**

- **Cornhole**: 12
- **Chess**: 10
- **Table Tennis / Ping Pong**: 8
- **No games**: 8
- **Other**: 4

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**WHICH GAME TABLE WOULD BE THE MOST FUN?**

- **Ping Pong**: 22
- **Checkers/Chess**: 9
- **Cornhole**: 17

Categories: 1st-2nd, 3rd-4th, 5th-6th
Picnic / Gaming Areas

Chess, cornhole, ping pong
### Survey Results

**What other sports / gaming features would you like to see in the park?**

*Survey 1*

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<td>15</td>
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<td>Exercise stations</td>
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<td>Bocce / Pentangue courts</td>
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<td>Ball Wall</td>
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Half-Court Basketball / Sport Court Area

Adding games/art to wall will require coordination with and approval by Caltrans.

Curb, gutter, and sidewalk to be replaced in front of court.
**Survey Results | Blacktop / Schoolyard Games**

**Luther Burbank Elementary**

**Which Blacktop Games Are the Most Fun?**

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<th>3rd-4th</th>
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<td>Maze</td>
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<td>Mirror Me</td>
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<td>Hopscotch</td>
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<td>Target</td>
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**Survey 3**

Would you like to see schoolyard games (Four Square, Hopscotch, Maze, Bulls' Eye, etc.) painted on the blacktop of the basketball court?

- No Opinion: 14%
- No: 17%
- Yes: 69%
**Survey 1**

**Which New Features Would Make South Davis an Even Better Park?**

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<td>Barbeque grills</td>
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<td>Improved sidewalk connectivity</td>
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<td>Other sports / game features</td>
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<td>Unique feature</td>
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<td>Pollinator gardens / plantings</td>
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**Survey 2**

**What Are Your Favorite Elements in the Conceptual Park Designs?**

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<td>Play areas</td>
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<td>Public art</td>
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Picnic / Barbeque Areas
Future Activity Area

- Community Garden
- Skate Spot
- Multi-Purpose Court
- Pedestrian security lighting
Fitness Stations
Native Plant Garden Area
South Davis Park
Santa Rosa Recreation & Parks Dept.
Santa Rosa, CA.
Next Steps

Master Plan Recommendation
- BOCS: Today

Master Plan Approval
- City Council Public Hearing: February 14, 2023
- Notification:
  - Press Democrat
  - Postcard to Neighborhood
  - Sign in Park

Construction Documents
- Dec 2022 - February 2023

Bidding and Construction
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Recommendation

It is recommended by the Department of Transportation and Public Works, Parks Division, that the Board of Community Services approve the South Davis Neighborhood Park Master Plan Amendment to include a revised playground area, picnic tables and barbeque areas, game tables, walking paths, updated sidewalks, a renovated basketball half-court, security lighting, fitness stations, native planting areas, and space for future activities, and recommend to Council approval of the same.
QUESTIONS?