

ORDINANCE NO. 5487

Ordinance of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Approving and
Adopting a Plan for the Renovation Project at Rinconada Park

The Council of the City of Palo Alto does ORDAIN as follows:

SECTION 1. Findings. The City Council finds and declares that:

(a) Article VIII of the Charter of the City of Palo Alto and Section 22.08.005 of the Palo Alto Municipal Code require that, before any substantial building, construction, reconstruction or development is commenced or approved, upon or with respect to any land held by the City for park purposes, the Council shall first cause to be prepared and by ordinance approve and adopt a plan therefor.

(b) Rinconada Park (the "Park") is dedicated to park purposes. (See Palo Alto Municipal Code sections 22.08.210-212.)

(c) The City intends to authorize the construction of pathways, picnic area, playground, restroom, site furnishing, planting, signage and irrigation; as well as renovation of the existing picnic area.

(d) The plan of renovations (the "Project") shall generally be comprised, as follows:

- (1) The removal and replacement of the children's playground and "tot lot" playground;
- (2) The renovation of the existing group picnic area including new paving and site furnishing;
- (3) The replacement of existing asphalt pathways with concrete pathways in the west portion of the park;
- (4) The addition of a new group picnic area at the rear of the new zoo;
- (5) The installation of a new restroom building along Hopkins Avenue;
- (6) The installation of new way finding signage;
- (7) The installation of native and habitat gardens;
- (8) The installation of a fire pit; and
- (9) The installation of a new site furnishing including picnic tables, recycling/composting receptacles, benches, bike racks and drinking fountains.

(e) The Project described above and as otherwise depicted in the attached exhibit, is consistent with park, playground, recreation, and conservation purposes.

(f) The Council desires to approve the plan for the Project described above.

SECTION 2. The Council hereby approves the plan for the construction of improvements in the Park described in this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. The City Council finds that this ordinance falls under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemptions found in Title 14 California Code of Regulations Section: 15301 (Existing Facilities), and 15304 (Minor Alterations of Land).

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be effective on the thirty-first day after the date of its adoption.

INTRODUCED:

PASSED:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED:

Assistant City Attorney

City Manager

Director of Community Services

Director of Administrative Services