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City Council Staff Report

From: City Manager

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Lead Department: Community Services

Meeting Date: March 6, 2023

Report #:2302-1006

TITLE

Adopt a Park Improvement Ordinance to Allow Construction in Greer Park to Replace a Private Sewer Connection from the 2850 W. Bayshore Housing Development; CEQA status – Class 32 infill exempt

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that City Council adopt the attached Park Improvement Ordinance to allow construction in Greer Park to replace a private sewer connection from the 2850 W. Bayshore housing development.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On June 20, 2022, the City Council approved a Major Architectural Review and Vesting Tentative Map application at 2850 West Bayshore Road to replace the existing 30,000+ square foot office building with a 48-unit townhome project proposed by Summerhill Homes.¹ As part of this project, the developer intends to replace a private sewer line connection that runs underneath Greer Park. The existing sewer line is within an easement under Field 3 in Greer Park. The developer is proposing to realign the sewer line to the edge of Field 3 to limit the area of impact.

This item will be heard by the Parks and Recreation Commission on February 28, 2023, which is after this item is published but before the March 6, 2023 Council meeting. Staff will provide an at-places memorandum to Council on the outcome of the Commission meeting. The staff report for the Parks and Recreation Commission provides the details and discussion of this project and is attached for the Council's consideration.

¹ See staff report from June 20, 2022 City Council meeting, Item 30 at <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/files/assets/public/agendas-minutes-reports/agendas-minutes/city-council-agendas-minutes/2022/20220620/20220620pccsm-amended-final-final.pdf>

Separately, staff plan to bring the new easement, vacation of the existing easement, and final map for the project to Council in late March or April.

FISCAL/RESOURCE IMPACT

The sewer line connection replacement is a privately funded project. Approval of this ordinance will not generate any new capital projects or expenses beyond the staff time needed to monitor compliance with the restoration of the park after construction.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

This item will be heard at the Parks and Recreation Commission on February 28, 2023. Staff will provide an update on this item with any feedback from the Commission prior to the City Council meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

On June 20, 2022, the City Council found that this project is categorically exempt from CEQA under Class 32 (infill development).

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Staff Report to the Parks and Recreation Commission, February 28, 2023

Attachment B: Ordinance Approving and Adopting a Plan for Sewer Line Replacement at Greer Park

APPROVED BY:

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