

SF REC & PARK | Golden Gate Park Dog Play Area Improvement Project

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #3
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GROUND RULES

- **Please sign in and provide your email address**
- Please turn off cell phones
- Direct comments to the facilitator
- Keep to the agenda (City-wide Dog Play Area policy issues are not a part of tonight's discussion)

AGENDA

- WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND OBJECTIVES
- **PART 1:** Recap of Project Information
- **PART 2:** Survey #2 Results
- **PART 3:** Design Concept
- **PART 4:** Next Steps
- **PART 5:** Q&A

MEETING OBJECTIVES

1. Recap project scope, budget, and process
2. Present overview of previous public feedback
3. Community feedback and voting for design concepts

PART 1

RECAP OF PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Renovate the Golden Gate Park Dog Training Area to improve accessibility, functionality, and cleanliness.

The project is driven by:

- Community input
- Rec & Park Strategic Plan programming goals
- Grant funding requirements

Please note that some scope items are required for code compliance and the budget is limited.

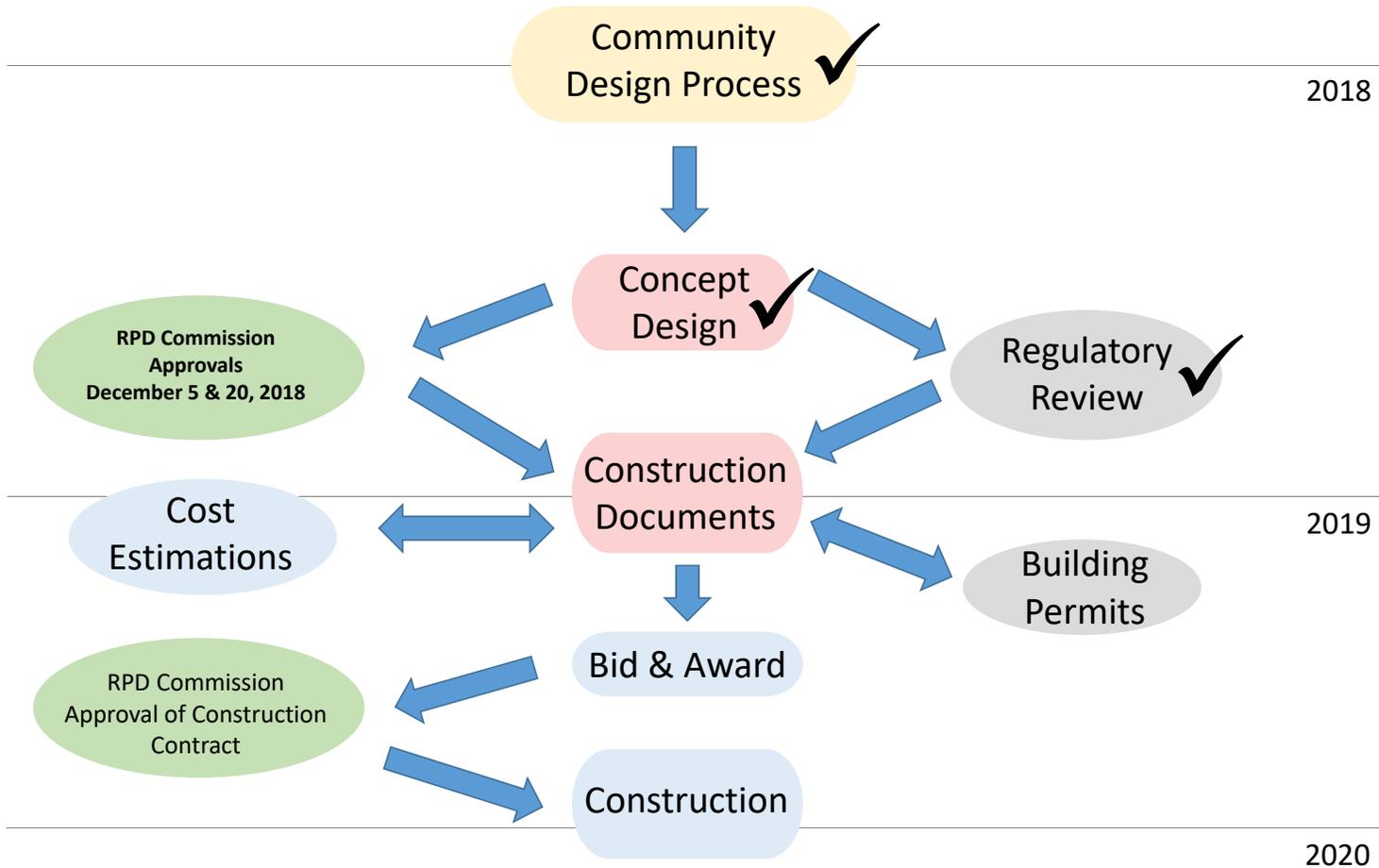
FUNDING

California State Natural Resources Agency Grant Program

- A statewide general fund grant for the improvement of parks and open spaces secured by Assembly member Ting and Supervisor Fewer
- \$2M in grant funding has been allocated to improvements at the Golden Gate Park Dog Play Area.
- \$1.5M construction budget. The final project scope (including design, materials, and elements) will be reconciled with the budget and professional cost estimations.

PROCESS

Estimated Timeline



PARTNERING OPPORTUNITIES

Steffen Franz

- Parks and Recreation Open Space Committee
- Resource on creating a “friends of” group
- Background includes Lafayette Park and DPA

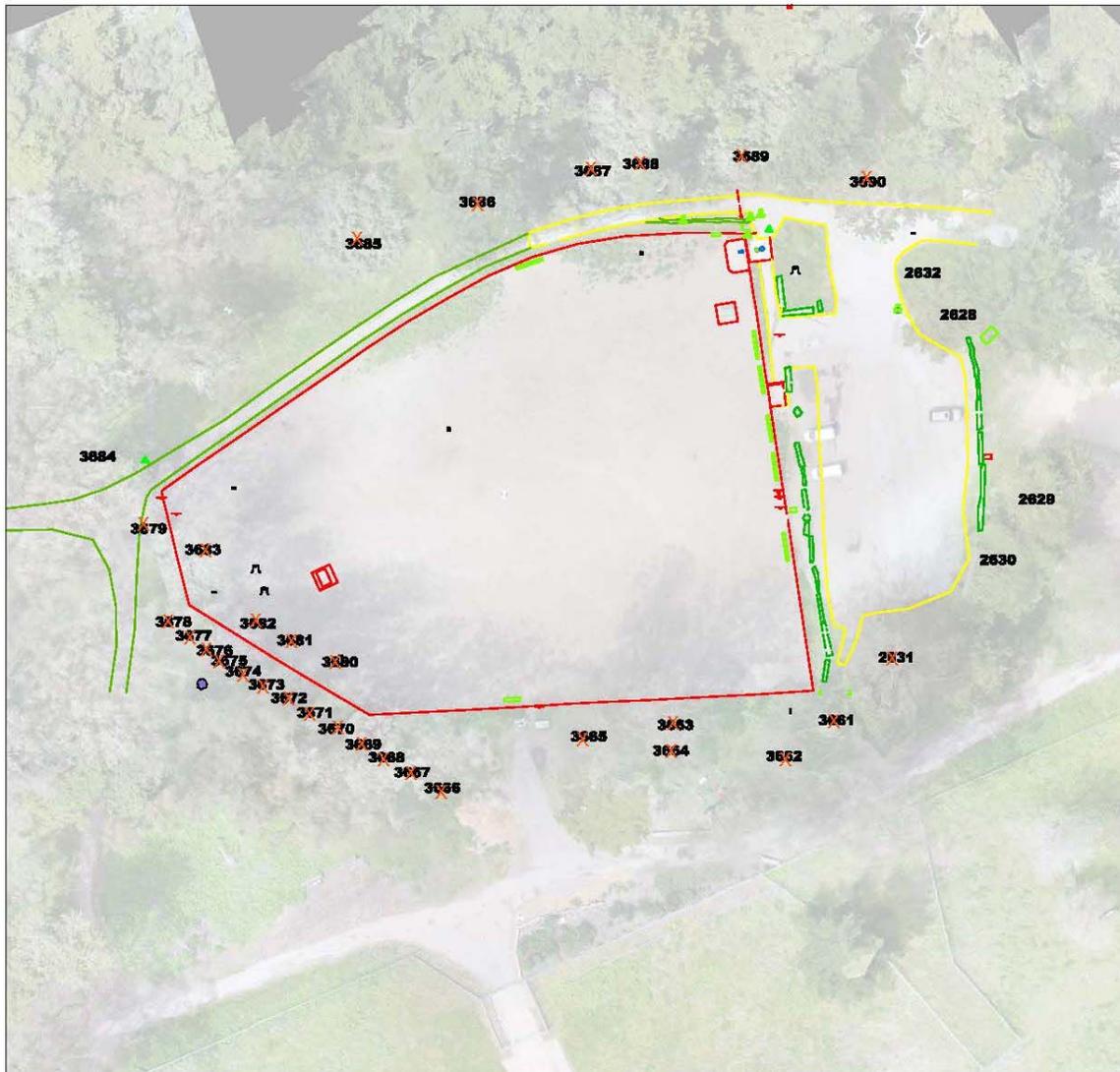
Friends of the GGP Dog Play Area

- Assist Park staff with daily upkeep of the facility
- Provide dog waste bags
- Explore programming opportunities

TREE SURVEY

General Information

- Tree survey conducted in May 2018
- Survey identified tree species and size; assessed them by health and condition
- Some trees are unhealthy and should be removed
- Some trees will be compromised by construction activities and should be removed
- Approximately 30 trees were identified for removal in and around the Dog Training Area
- Trees will be replaced at a 2:1 ratio with most planted around the project area
- Replacement trees will be non-invasive species selected for site suitability, low water use, and habitat value
- Replacement trees will be positioned to provide shade and visual screening around the Dog Training Area



Tree Assessment Plan

**Golden Gate Park
Dog Run**
San Francisco, CA

Prepared for:
San Francisco Department of
Recreation and Park
San Francisco, CA

May 2018



No Scale

Notes:
Base map provided by:
Meredian Surveying Engineering, Inc.
San Francisco, CA

Numbered tree locations
are approximate.

30 Removals
= 60 Replacements



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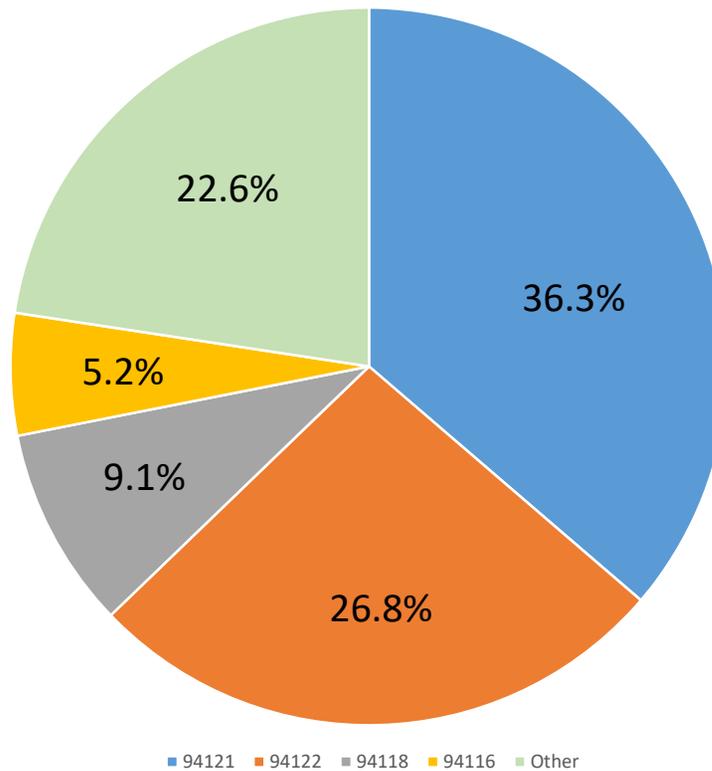
PART 2

SURVEY RESULTS

- Online survey open mid-July 2018 through mid August 2018
- Total Number of Responses: 328

ONLINE SURVEY FEEDBACK

Responses by Zip code:



1. Which design concept do you prefer?



Concept 1
48.8%



Concept 2
51.2%



ONLINE SURVEY FEEDBACK

2. What do you like about your preferred concept?

Concept 1 - Selected Comments:

Larger space for small dogs.

Looks like more shaded space than the other concept.

I love how both sides have long dog runs.

Allows full expanse of space for both large/small sizes along with access to synthetic turf.

I like the double gate transition between large and small areas.

Larger natural surface in the middle; wider synthetic turf.

I like the new seating areas, planting, and improved parking lot.

ONLINE SURVEY FEEDBACK

2. What do you like about your preferred concept?

Concept 2 - Selected Comments:

I like the full length of the large play area.

Synthetic turf is closest to the parking lot and it will allow my dog's feet to keep clean, especially in winter.

I like the entry layout.

Turf to sand ratio seems better for small dogs.

Larger sandy area for bigger dogs.

Green space along the length seems more inviting.

I love the way the turf separates the two areas.

ONLINE SURVEY FEEDBACK

3. Is there anything you would change about your preferred concept?

Concept 1 - Selected Comments:

More shade on picnic tables.

More foliage to screen the play area from the roads.

I don't think picnic tables are needed. Add more benches.

More trees planted around the perimeter for shade.

Add benches near shade trees.

Add more trees.

ONLINE SURVEY FEEDBACK

3. Is there anything you would change about your preferred concept?

Concept 2 - Selected Comments:

Please add new dog waste bag holders.

A couple of shade trees in the large play area for dogs to sit under for warmer days.

Add more benches.

Provide shady areas.

USING FEEDBACK TO REVISE THE CONCEPT

General Community Preferences and Themes:

1. More space for small play area
2. Longer dog runs (end-to-end) in the both small and large play areas
3. Turf should be closer to the parking lot entrances
4. Need more trees and shade
5. Benches are more important than picnic tables
6. Drinking fountain in each play area; bottle filler / fountain
7. Add a community message board
8. Add dog waste bag holders

PART 3

DESIGN CONCEPT



CONCEPT DESIGN





PLAY AREA BREAKDOWN

MATERIALS



SAND



SYNTHETIC TURF



NATURAL PAVING SURFACE



NATURAL AESTHETIC

PLANTING



DECIDUOUS TREE



GGP AESTHETIC



BIOSWALE

SITE FURNISHINGS AND DOG PLAY EQUIPMENT



PICNIC TABLE



BENCH



DOG JUMP HURDLES



DOG RAMP



SALVAGED BOULDERS



SALVAGED LOGS



TRASH + RECYCLE RECEPTACLE



BOTTLE FILLER WITH DRINKING FOUNTAIN & PET BOWL



Large Play Area



Large Play Area



Small Play Area



PART 4

Questions & Answers

PART 5

Next Steps

- Recreation and Park Commission Approval of Concept Design
 - Capital Committee: December 5, 2018
 - Commission: December 20, 2018
- Partnering Opportunity for Friends Group – Ongoing Effort

THANK YOU!

Please submit additional comments to:

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