



# REPORT

## THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

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DATE ISSUED: June 13, 2018

REPORT NO. 101

ATTENTION: Park and Recreation Board  
Agenda of June 21, 2018

SUBJECT: HOLMES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL JOINT USE FACILITY GENERAL  
DEVELOPMENT PLAN

### SUMMARY

Issue: Approval of the General Development Plan (GDP) for the Holmes Elementary School Joint Use Facility in the Clairemont Community.

Director's Recommendation: Recommend approval of the proposed General Development Plan (GDP) for the Holmes Elementary School Joint Use Facility in the Clairemont Community.

Other Recommendations: The following Recreation Council has reviewed and considered the proposed project. Actions taken and recommendations made are listed below.

On June 21, 2017, the North Clairemont Recreation Council voted (4-0-1) to recommend approval of the General Development Plan for Holmes Elementary School Joint Use Facility.

In a subsequent action, the North Clairemont Recreation Council voted (3-0-2) to recommend inclusion of a future comfort station to the General Development Plan for Holmes Elementary School Joint Use Facility.

### Fiscal Impact:

- I. **Capital Funding:** The General Development Plan (GDP) inclusive of the environmental document, design and construction of the turf field and walking track improvements, is currently funded by the San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) through the use of voter-approved Propositions S and Z bond funding.

- II. Operations and Maintenance: The cost to operate and maintain this project on an annual basis is approximately \$43,500. This includes all labor, materials, equipment and supplies, as well as the cost to hire a security company to lock the gates at dusk.

Water and Energy Conservation Status: The proposed project complies with all water and energy conservation guidelines contained in Council Policy 200-14.

Environmental: San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD or District), as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has prepared an Initial Study (IS) for the Holmes Elementary School Joint Use Field Project (proposed project), pursuant to the CEQA (Public Resources Code [PRC], Division 13, Section 21000 et seq. [CEQA Statute] and the California Code of Regulations [CCR], Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]). Based on the IS, SDUSD determined that the proposed project would have no significant adverse impacts on the environment and a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) is appropriate. The District is providing public notice in compliance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Sections 15072 and 15073 of the California Code of Regulations, as amended. Significant impacts were identified for the following resource categories; however, feasible mitigation measures have also been identified that would reduce impacts to below a level of significance: Biological Resources and Mandatory Findings of Significance.

## BACKGROUND

This project provides for the design and construction of a new joint use facility at Holmes Elementary School which is located at 4902 Mt Ararat Drive within the Clairemont Community, Council District 6. The approval of this park will provide an additional approximately 2.96 acres of population-based park land in this park deficient community.

## DISCUSSION

The Holmes Elementary School Joint Use Facility is part of the 'Play All Day Parks Program', a partnership between the City and the SDUSD to expand the City's existing joint use parks program by adding over 45 new or expanded joint use facilities in the next 5-10 years. SDUSD is the Lead Agency directing the design and construction of the joint-use facility at Holmes Elementary School.

The General Development Plan (Attachment 1) will provide the following:

- Multi-purpose natural turf field (approximately 2.0 acres)
- 10' wide walking track
- District backstops
- Shade trees



- Drinking fountain
- Fencing
- Future comfort station

SDUSD and the Planning Department conducted three public workshops with the community. The primary issues raised during the community input meetings were requesting additional amenities and closing the joint use field in the morning before school. A detailed response is included in the paragraphs below.

Addition of Amenities

The community requested that shade trees and District backstops be provided within the joint use area. These items have been included in the scope of work for the first phase. They also identified locations where the Parent Teacher Association would like to provide a future school project within the joint use area. It was communicated to the community that all donated items must be approved by the District and will remain under District maintenance. A location for a future comfort station was also included on the GDP per the community's request.

Closing the Joint Use Field in the Mornings before School

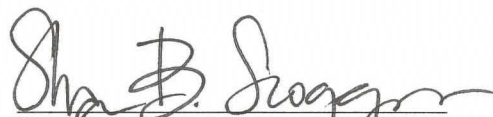
The school principal and community members requested that the joint use area at Holmes Elementary School be closed to the public in the morning before school to accommodate before school programs to alleviate potential drop off congestion. This will be reflected in Schedule C in the Joint Use Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments:

1. Holmes Elementary School Joint Use Facility General Development Plan

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