



Proposed SDMC Changes Regarding Alcohol Ban and Park Curfew at Fault Line Park and Cortez Hill Park

Park & Recreation Board
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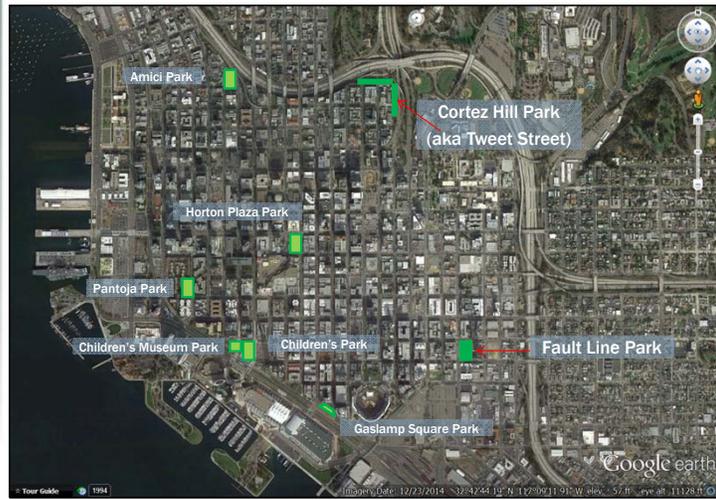
Background

- 1990's Children's Park and Gaslamp Square Park coming online with redevelopment boom in Gaslamp Quarter and Marina District
- Concern over vagrancy in the area
- Curtail criminal activity, noise, violence and dangerous, aggressive and offensive conduct due to excessive alcohol use
- Nighttime Curfew (SDMC 63.0120.a.)
 - Ordinance was enacted for downtown parks
 - Exists at Amici (formerly a City park), Children's, Children's Museum, Gaslamp Square and Pantoja parks.
- 24-Hour Alcohol Ban (SDMC 56.54(b); Appendix 56.54A)
 - Parks added include: Amici, Children's, Children's Museum, Gaslamp Square, Horton Plaza, and Pantoja parks






Vicinity Map



Fault Line Park



Fault Line Park



Under Construction – Nearing Completion

Cortez Hill Park



a.k.a. "Tweet Street"

Community Support

Stakeholder Input:

- April 11, 2015 – Cortez Hill Active Residents Group (CHARG)
 - Discussed the items; no objections
 - Letter of Support provided
- April 15, 2015 – Downtown Community Planning Council (DCPC) voted 19-0 in favor of requested action
- May 6, 2015 – Community Parks I Area Committee voted 9-0 in favor of requested action
- East Village Association, East Village Residents Group, Downtown Residents Group, SDPD, Park & Rec, Pinnacle Development all in support



Requested Action:

- Park & Recreation Board recommends that the City Council adopt an ordinance as follows:
 - Amend Section 56.54(b), titled “Alcoholic Beverage Consumption Prohibited in Certain Areas” and Appendix 56.54A (“24 Hour Ban”) to include:
 - Fault Line Park
 - Cortez Hill Park
 - Amend Section 63.0120(a), titled “Nighttime Curfew for Certain Downtown Public Parks and the Spruce Street Pedestrian Bridge” to add the midnight to 6:00 a.m. curfew to include:
 - Fault Line Park
 - Cortez Hill Park

