



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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**CONSENT**  
**August 12, 2008**

**Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council**

**Title: Oki Park Open Space Project - Park Name and Master Plan (L19186000)**

**Location/Council District:** Wisseman Drive / Council District 6

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) approving the name "Oki Park Open Space;" and 2) approving the Oki Park Open Space Master Plan.

**Contact:** J.P. Tindell, Park Planning and Development Manager, 808-1955

**Presenters:** Not applicable

**Department:** Parks and Recreation

**Division:** Park Planning & Development Services

**Organization No:** 4727

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** Oki Park Open Space is a 6-acre open space located in East Sacramento. Long-term designs of public facilities and Oki Park Open Spaces are to be reviewed and approved by the Mayor and City Council. A summary of the Oki Park Open Space project history is included as Attachment 1 (page 4) and a location map is included as Attachment 2 (page 5).

**Policy Considerations:** Providing parks and recreation facilities is consistent with the City's strategic plan to enhance livability in Sacramento's neighborhoods by expanding park, recreation, and trail facilities throughout the City.

Sufficient opportunities to provide input to the Oki Park Open Space Master Plan were provided to the community (Policy 2.0 and 13.37 of the *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan*). This is part of the Park Development Process for

planning as stated in the *Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2005-2010*.

**Committee/Commission Action:** The Oki Park Open Space name and master plan were reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) on May 1, 2008. The master plan (Exhibit A, page 7) was revised to accommodate the PRC's request to remove the proposed skate park from the master plan because it was too close to adjacent homes and because it was more appropriate for installation at Oki Park (across the street) than in this passive open space.

**Environmental Considerations:**

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** The Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed this project and determined that it is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 3, Section number 15303, Class 4, Section number 15304(b) and Class 11, Section number 15311(a) of the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14 Cal. Code Reg. § 15000 et seq.) Projects exempted under Class 3, Section number 15303 consists of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. Projects exempted under Class 4, Section number 15304(b) consists of new gardening or landscaping and projects exempted under Class 11, Section number 15311(a) consists of the construction or placement of minor structures accessory to commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities including but no limited to on-premise signs.

**Sustainability Considerations:** The Oki Park Open Space has been reviewed for consistency with the goals, policies and targets of the Sustainability Master Plan. If approved, the Oki Park Open Space will use water efficient irrigation systems; will plant low water use trees, shrubs, groundcover and native and no-mow fescue; and will address water runoff with a pervious dry cobble bed that will act as a ground water recharge. Educational opportunities will also be provided for the neighborhood with interpretive signage and plant identification labels for the colorful perennials in the butterfly garden.

The Oki Park Open Space Master Plan provides a significant addition to the City's urban forest. In addition, the trees proposed in this master plan will make a contribution to clean air and water, storm water runoff reduction, energy conservation, improved public health, and increased property values.

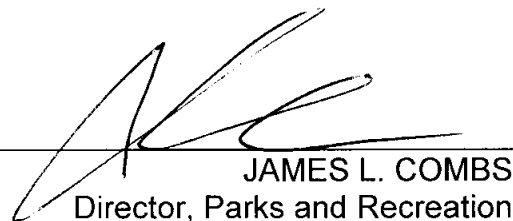
**Rationale for Recommendation:** The design of master plans is part of the Park Planning process as referenced in the approved *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan*.

**Financial Considerations:** There are no financial considerations for approval of a park master plan. Staff will return to Council to approve a construction contract when funding has been identified. The master plan was prepared in order to make this project ready to apply for future grant opportunities having to do with development of trails and natural resource development, and expansion of the City's urban forest. The project has also been included in the *2008 Park and Recreation Programming Guide* for future funding consideration.

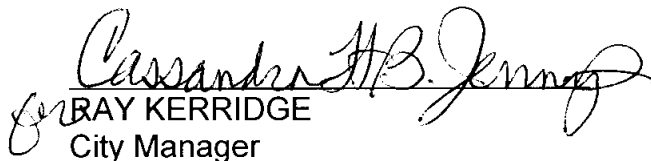
Development of parks creates an ongoing cost for park maintenance and utilities based on the size of the park. Maintenance staffing for this park development has not been provided for in the Department's approved Operating Budget. Budget augmentations have also not been made to cover water and utility costs associated with development of this park. Total unfunded operating and maintenance impact is \$9,902/acre per year, totaling approximately \$59,412/year. Department staff will be working with Finance to address this funding gap. Approval of a park master plan does not constitute approval of development of a new park. That approval will not be requested until funding for both development and operations/maintenance is secured.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** No goods or services are being purchased as a result of this report.

Respectfully Submitted by:

  
JAMES L. COMBS  
Director, Parks and Recreation

Recommendation Approved:

  
RAY KERRIDGE  
City Manager

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**Attachment 1**

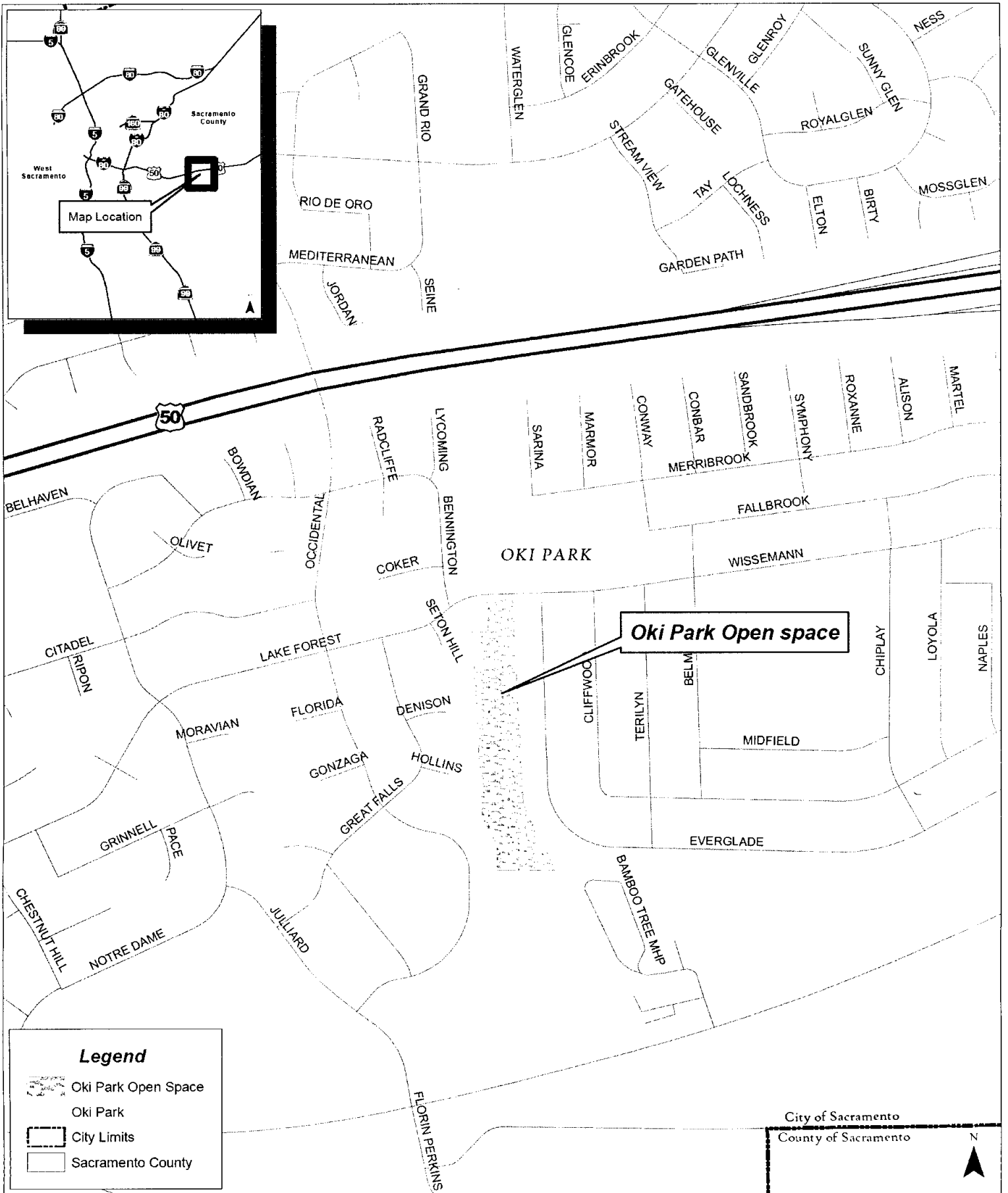
**Background Information**

Oki Park Open Space is a 6-acre open space located on Wisseman Drive across from Oki Park in East Sacramento.





The master plan includes: low maintenance landscape development of the entire site with non-irrigated, native grasses and wild flowers; low earth mounds and a dry creek bed with cobbles and boulders to capture on-site storm water and ground water recharge; planted areas with perennials for a butterfly garden; native and screening shrubs and groundcover; limited turf areas with decomposed granite paving in the 1.7 acre fenced dog park with seating, tables and dog drinking fountain; small flowering and ornamental trees (due to the height restriction of planting trees under the existing overhead utility lines); a small group picnic area with tables surrounded by two bocce ball courts and two horseshoe courts; a 10' wide walkway with loop around the dog park and a secondary decomposed granite path; individual picnic tables; and interpretive signage and plant identification labels, benches, park entry signage and future connection to the alleyway near Occidental Drive.

The Oki Park Open Space Master Plan was developed through the public review process which included review and support by the public at community meetings on December 10, 2007, and March 20, 2008, and by the College Glen Neighborhood Association on December 13, 2007.

On April 21, 2008, the Parks and Recreation Commission's (PRC's) Park Planning, Design and Development Committee reviewed and supported the Oki Park Open Space Master Plan with the request that the neighborhood skate park be removed as it is too close to the adjacent homes and is more appropriate at Oki Park, not the passive recreational use of the open space site. The comments are reflected in the master plan. The PRC unanimously supported the plan on May 1, 2008.




**Legend**

-  Oki Park Open Space
-  Oki Park
-  City Limits
-  Sacramento County

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County of Sacramento

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**City of Sacramento**  
**Department of Parks and Recreation**  
**Oki Park Open Space**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2008-**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**August 12, 2008**

**APPROVING THE OKI PARK OPEN SPACE PROJECT - PARK NAME AND MASTER PLAN (L19186000)**

**BACKGROUND**

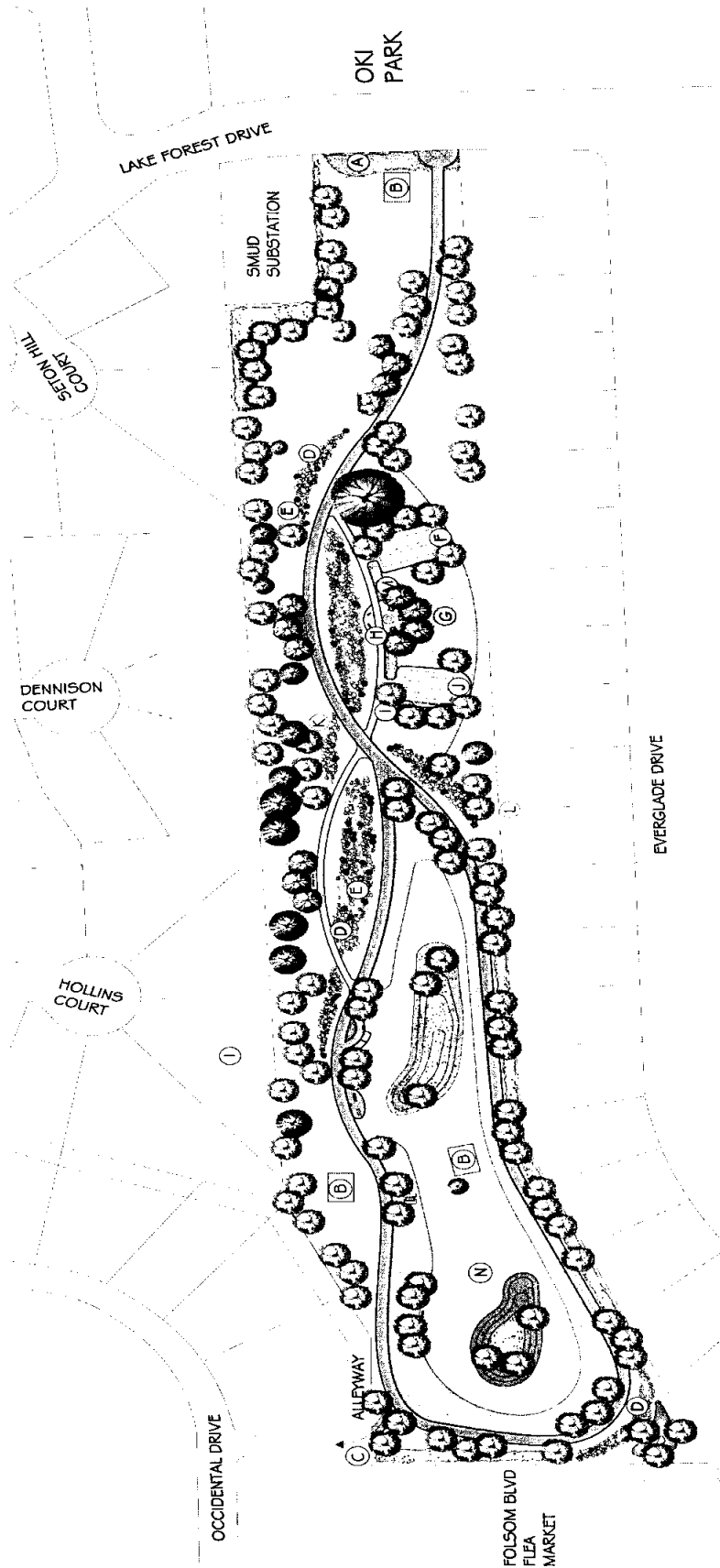
- A. Oki Park Open Space is a 6-acre open space located on Wiseman Drive in East Sacramento. The Oki Park Open Space name and master plan were reviewed and supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission on May 1, 2008.
- B. The Environmental Services Manager has reviewed the project for compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and determined that it is exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Sections 15303, 15304(b) and 15311(a) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- C. Long-term designs of public facilities are reviewed and approved by City Council.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The name "Oki Park Open Space" is approved.
- Section 2. The Oki Park Open Space Master Plan is approved.

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Exhibit A – Oki Park Open Space Master Plan

Exhibit A



LEGEND

- A. PARK SIGN AT ENTRANCE
- B. EXISTING UTILITY TOWER (3)
- C. FUTURE CONNECTION
- D. DRY-CREEKBED WITH COBBLE & BOULDERS
- E. NATIVE GRASSES AND PLANT AREA
- F. BOCCIE BALL COURTS (2 COURTS AND 2 BENCHES)
- G. NON-IRRIGATED NATIVE GRASS
- H. PICNIC AREA (INCLUDES PICNIC TABLES, BIKE RACK AND A DRINKING FOUNTAIN)
- I. DECOMPOSED GRANITE PATH
- J. HORSE SHOE COURTS (4 COURTS AND 2 BENCHES)
- K. 10' ASPHALT WALKING PATH
- L. EXISTING PROPERTY LINE
- M. BUTTERFLY GARDEN (INCLUDES SALVIAS, SHRUBS AND NATIVE WILDFLOWERS)
- N. DOG PARK (1.7 ACRES) (INCLUDES BENCHES, TRASH & RECYCLE RECEPTACLES, DOG WASTE BAGS, 1'4" MAINTENANCE GATE, DOG FOUNTAIN, PICNIC TABLES, DG PAVING, AND GRASS MOUNDS)
- SHADE TREES
- ACCENT TREES
- EXISTING TREES

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS:  
 D. DAY  
 DRAWN BY:  
 KEVIN EVINGER  
 DATE:  
 NOVEMBER 2007

SCALE 1" = 50'-0"

MASTER PLAN FOR:  
**OKI PARK OPEN SPACE (6.3 ac)**  
 CITY OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA