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20 July 2019

To: Mayor Schwedhelm, Santa Rosa City Council Members and City Manager McGlynn  
Santa Rosa City Hall  
100 Santa Rosa Ave.  
Santa Rosa, Ca. 95401

Dear Mayor Schwedhelm, Santa Rosa City Council Members, and city staff.

Attached to this letter is a copy of a proposed plan for the Roseland Creek NeighborWood. It is an alternative which many Roseland residents have been waiting to share with city staff for months. Unfortunately the city staff of Jason Nutt and Jen Santos who met with 10 community members in June 2018 at the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District offices have not met with us again to discuss the plan. We have waited for over a year while the city has been trying to divide and conquer the community with exclusive "targeted meetings".

Seeing now the city is preparing to apply for money from the state which requires an adopted Master Plan to receive state grant funding this plan is submitted to make sure city council knows the plans are still NOT completed. This is even though an expensive master planning process was undertaken and COMPLETED in Feb 2009.

When corruption and malfeasance in the Recreation and Parks Department led to the resignation of the Director of the Department as well as some supporting staff, the City Council was never presented the final plan for adoption.

Many Roseland residents feel this was deliberate retaliation on the part of some city staff in the Recreation and Parks Dept. The Dept. now comes forward with a different plan which many local Roseland residents disagree with and are not supporting.

Please keep in mind the comments below from the California Department of Parks and Recreation

"The mission of the California Department of Parks and Recreation is to provide for the health, inspiration, and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources..." Their website goes on to state,

"The mission of the Community Engagement Division is to encourage healthy communities by connecting people to parks,... fostering inclusivity,... with integrity..."

To be brief, the Roseland Creek Park Master Planning process is NOT complete and the city has NOT adopted a Master Plan. Some city staff are practicing exclusivity without integrity so I am very concerned. Therefore I must also respectfully request I be informed of when the next meetings for the planning of the park are scheduled for Roseland residents to be able to have a voice in the actual final plan to be adopted and instituted?

Sincerely,



Duane De Witt

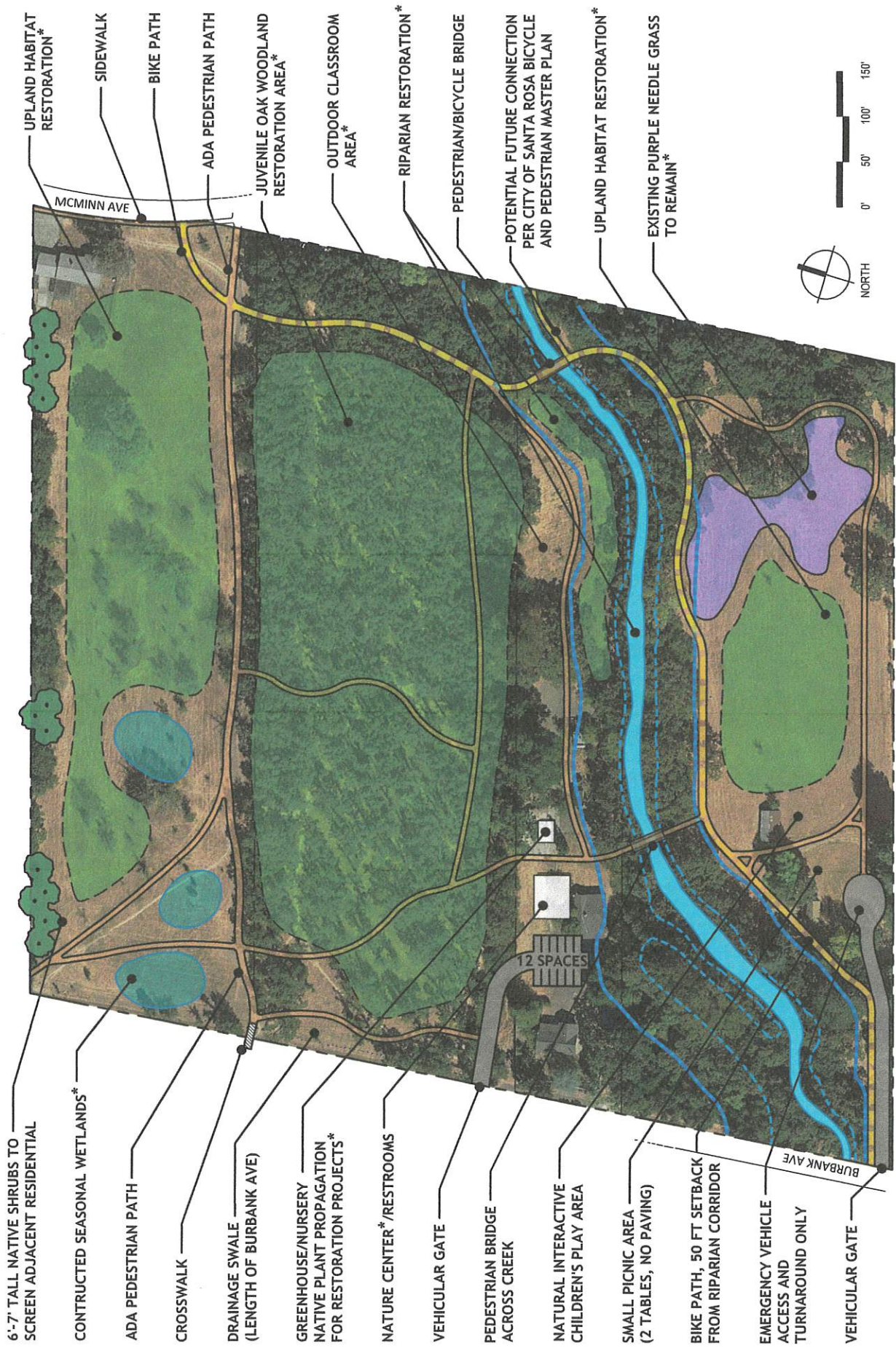
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6'-7" TALL NATIVE SHRUBS TO SCREEN ADJACENT RESIDENTIAL

CONTRACTED SEASONAL WETLANDS\*

ADA PEDESTRIAN PATH

CROSSWALK

DRAINAGE SWALE (LENGTH OF BURBANK AVE)

GREENHOUSE/NURSERY NATIVE PLANT PROPAGATION FOR RESTORATION PROJECTS\*

NATURE CENTER\*/RESTROOMS

VEHICULAR GATE

PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE ACROSS CREEK

NATURAL INTERACTIVE CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

SMALL PICNIC AREA (2 TABLES, NO PAVING)

BIKE PATH, 50 FT SETBACK FROM RIPARIAN CORRIDOR

EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS AND TURNAROUND ONLY

VEHICULAR GATE

UPLAND HABITAT RESTORATION\*

SIDEWALK

BIKE PATH

ADA PEDESTRIAN PATH

JUVENILE OAK WOODLAND RESTORATION AREA\*

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM AREA\*

RIPIARIAN RESTORATION\*

PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE BRIDGE

POTENTIAL FUTURE CONNECTION PER CITY OF SANTA ROSA BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN

UPLAND HABITAT RESTORATION\*

EXISTING PURPLE NEEDLE GRASS TO REMAIN\*



# ROSELAND CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVE

## MASTER PLAN PROPOSAL

JULY 2019

\* TO ENHANCE ECOLOGICAL SERVICES AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES





## PETITION FOR ALL NATURE IN "THE NEIGHBORWOOD"

WE THE UNDERSIGNED SUPPORT THE FORMATION OF THE ROSELAND CREEK PARK AS A SPECIAL PURPOSE PARK WHICH IS CENTERED ON "ENVIRONMENTAL INTERPRETIVE EXPERIENCES" (PSF-A-3), WHERE "...THE MOST SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE AREAS SHOULD GENERALLY BE PRESERVED FOR MORE PASSIVE RECREATION THAT ASSURES THEIR PROTECTION" (PSF-A-5) AS SET FORTH IN THE SANTA ROSA GENERAL PLAN 2035.

WE SUPPORT THE APPROVAL OF THE "COMMUNITY IDEAL PLAN 2019" WHICH THE SURROUNDING RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY HAS GENERATED, INSTEAD OF THE CITY PARKS DEPT. DRAFT MASTER PLAN 2018, WHICH CONTAINS ELEMENTS OF ACTIVE RECREATION AND OTHER FEATURES WHICH THREATEN, RATHER THAN PRESERVE THIS SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE AREA FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDEAVORS.

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