



Council Meeting: August 27, 2013

SUBJECT: Location Change for Seven Seas Park Public Art “Under the Umbrella” - INFORMATION ONLY

On April 23, 2013, City Council reviewed and approved the public artwork for the Seven Seas Park project, selecting “Under the Umbrella” by the artistic team Arteclettica.

Prior to the selection of the artwork and in accordance to Council Policy 6.4.4 Art in Public Places (AIPP), the staff Project Review Committee identified possible locations for the artwork. The suggested locations were the most prominent entrances into the park - the main walkway from Morse Avenue and the sidewalk area connecting this main walkway with the parking lot (Attachment A). These locations were described in the request for proposals distributed to prospective artists and in related reports to the Arts Commission and City Council. It was also noted that the exact placement of the artwork along the designated walkway would be determined after the artwork was selected and the landscape and park element designs were finalized.

The selected artwork, “Under the Umbrella,” is planned as a functional sculptural bench with seven individual seats with backrests, six small attached tables and features an umbrella at the center. The overall dimensions of the piece will be approximately 8’6” in diameter and 10’ in height. It will include solar lights installed under the brim of the umbrella to provide lighting for the individual seats during evening hours.

Due to the size, height and functionality of the artwork, Seven Seas Park’s landscape architects suggested changing the artwork’s location from alongside the identified walkway, to an area that would better serve the park’s users by providing shaded seating within view of the restrooms and splash park, yet outside the range of the water jet’s spray. The new location would incorporate the functionality of the artwork into the park design, rather than feature it as an element alongside of the walkway or parking lot (Attachment A).

After their inquiries regarding surface materials, adjacent fixtures, proximity to the splash pad and utility connections were addressed, the artistic team Arteclletica agreed with the change in location. The artwork's new location will be incorporated into the park's construction.

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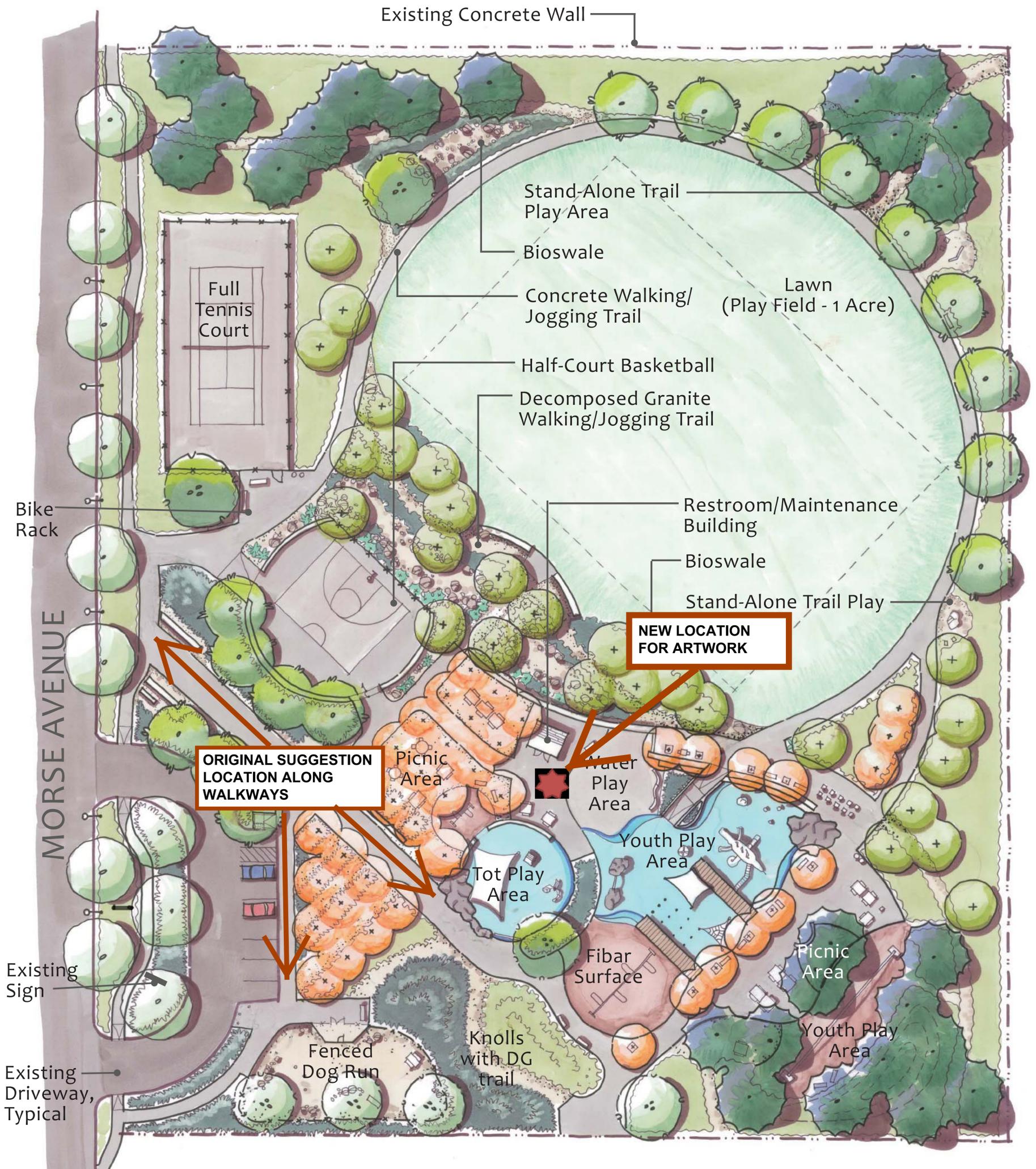
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ATTACHMENT

A. Site Plan Showing New Location for Artwork



SITE PLAN
Scale: 1"=20'-0"

