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SEVEN SEAS PARK GRAND OPENING

WHAT: Seven Seas Park Grand Opening Ceremony

WHEN: 10 a.m., Saturday, July 12

WHERE: 1010 Morse Ave., Sunnyvale

WHO: Sunnyvale Mayor Jim Griffith and Councilmembers; Public Works Department Director Kent Steffens; Representatives from the contractor, landscape architect and artist

ACTIVITIES: Speeches, Ribbon-cutting, Free guided sports activities for children ages 9 – 12, Light refreshments

PARKING: Available at park and behind 539 E. Weddell

BACKGROUND: Seven Seas – Sunnyvale’s newest and 21st neighborhood park – is truly a 21st century facility showcasing the latest design features to maximize play value and sustainability. The Park’s impressive sea-themed play structures include a large boat with sea monster slide, numerous climbing rocks embedded with sea creatures, a seaweed-shaped splash park and imaginative play elements incorporating vibrant colors, music, games and sports. Sustainability features prominently as well with sub-surface irrigation, LED pathway lighting, bioswales to maximize water retention on site, drought tolerant plants and re-use of the splash park water for landscape irrigation.

Seven Seas is the first City-developed neighborhood park (3 to 8 acres) since Encinal Park was dedicated in 1987 in north Sunnyvale. The public helped plan for, design and name the new 5.3-acre park which was constructed by Robert A. Bothman, Inc. at a cost of approximately \$4.9 million using the City’s Park Dedication Fund.

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PARK SPECIFICATIONS:

- Sea-themed play areas
- More than an acre of open play space
- Splash park
- Tennis and half basketball courts
- Restroom facilities, water fountains, benches, and picnic tables
- Enclosed dog park
- Walking/running trails
- Sustainable materials and drought-tolerant landscaping
- Public art installation titled “Under the Umbrella” by Arteclettica (installed late summer 2014)



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