



# STAFF REPORT

**To:** Parks and Recreation Commission

**Date:** February 21, 2019

**From:** Margaret Glomstad, Parks and Recreation Director

**Subject:** Information about Lorton Park

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Commission receive information about Lorton Park.

## **BACKGROUND**

The recently approved "Village at Burlingame" project includes constructing a new 132-unit affordable workforce and senior apartment development on the site of Parking Lot F, and relocating the existing parking stalls to an approved public parking garage on Parking Lot N, located in downtown Burlingame just south of Howard Avenue.

Based on input received from the Planning Commission, City Council and the Parks and Recreation Department staff, the project approval included construction of a passive park on a portion of the lot, which consists of a 45' x 150' area at the rear of the site off Lorton Avenue. This portion of the site is currently paved and used for public parking. Conceptual ideas for elements to be included in the park consist of a variety of trees (evergreen and deciduous), soft scape improvements, meandering paths, seating/gathering areas, and lighting. Low maintenance, drought tolerant plantings with an irrigation system to City specifications would also be provided. The park would have a gateway entrance on Lorton Avenue and new fencing would be provided adjacent to the existing apartment buildings on either side of the park for adjacent neighbor privacy.

The developer is responsible for preparing the plans, obtaining the necessary permits and constructing the passive park before it is turned over to the City. The ongoing maintenance of the park will be provided by the City of Burlingame after the maintenance period is concluded.

## **DISCUSSION**

A preliminary schematic plan will be available for review and comment at the Commission meeting on February 21, 2019 and will be posted as part of the meeting minutes.