

CITY OF ALAMEDA RESOLUTION NO. _____

APPROVE THE JEAN SWEENEY OPEN SPACE PARK
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the Jean Sweeney Open Space Park is a 22-acre property in Central Alameda bounded by Constitution Way, Atlantic Avenue and Sherman Street; and

WHEREAS, the property was acquired through a rail-banking agreement in which a 30' strip of contiguous land must be available for potential future rail use; and

WHEREAS, this right of way is designated between the Cross Alameda Trail and the park's northern boundary; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted an extensive community input process for conceptual use types and on the draft Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, based on community input, the Jean Sweeney Open Space Park use types are focused on passive recreational uses that include:

- Pedestrian and bicycle trails
- Natural open space
- Picnic areas
- Community gardens
- Playgrounds
- Open lawn areas; and

WHEREAS, the Jean Sweeney Open Space Park Master Plan incorporates all of these conceptual uses and is planned to be as environmentally responsible as is feasible; and

WHEREAS, the City has proposed a Mitigated Negative Declaration that evaluated the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Master Plan and finds that the project has minimal environmental impacts, those that do occur are related to the construction period, such as dust and construction traffic, and those potential impacts are identified and mitigations are recommended to minimize those impacts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alameda adopts the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Jean Sweeney Open Space Park Master Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Alameda approves the Jean Sweeney Open Space Park Master Plan.

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Council of the City of Alameda in a regular meeting assembled on the 15th day of June 2014 by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSENTIONS:

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City this 16th day of June 2014.

Lara Weisiger, City Clerk
City of Alameda