Project Description:

The proposed Parks Zoning and Dedication Project (Part 1) – May 2021 (Project) would consist of: General Plan amendments to change land use designations (PlaceTypes) of specific City-owned parks from their current General Plan Land Use Element PlaceTypes to the Open Space (OS) PlaceType; zone changes from existing zoning districts to the Park (P) zoning district; lot mergers to consolidate parcels; and dedications, as appropriate, for the purpose of protecting them in perpetuity for public open space use, consistent with the policies of the Open Space and Recreation Element (OSRE) of the City's General Plan. Other land use actions may be required to correct park boundaries in land titles to bring the parks' General Plan PlaceTypes and zoning into consistency with each other. The Project will facilitate cleanup of land use and zoning designations of existing parks so that they have the appropriate Open Space (OS) PlaceType and Park (P) zoning designation, in order both to appropriately reflect the existing land use and to protect the park use by ensuring development regulations that are aligned with park uses.

The affected parks are categorized as the following:

Mini-Park

A small park serving neighbors within 1/8 mile, generally less than two acres in size:

- Craftsman Village Park General Plan Amendment to change the Founding & Contemporary Neighborhood (FCN) to Open Space (OS) PlaceType; Rezone from two-family residential (R-2-N) to Park (P); and Dedicate.
- Donald Douglas Park General Plan Amendment to change the Regional Serving Facility (RSF) to Open Space (OS) PlaceType; Rezone from Douglas Park (PD-32) to Park (P); and Dedicate.
- Locust Tot Lot General Plan Amendment to change the Founding & Contemporary Neighborhood (FCN) to Open Space (OS) PlaceType; Rezone from two-family residential (R-2-N) to Park (P); and Dedicate.
- Mary Molina Community Garden General Plan Amendment to change the Founding & Contemporary Neighborhood (FCN) to Open Space (OS) PlaceType; Rezone from two-family residential (R-2-N) to Park (P); and Dedicate.
- Miracle on 4th Street Park Rezone from neighborhood commercial & residential (CNR) to Park (P); and Dedicate.
- Pacific & 6th Community Garden Rezone from Downtown Specific Plan (PD-30) to Park (P); and Dedicate.

Park

A tract of land, most often publicly held, accessible to the general public, for purposes of preserving natural areas and/or promoting the mental and physical health of the community through recreational, cultural and relaxation pursuits:

- C. David Molina Park Dedicate.
- Grace Park General Plan Amendment to change the Founding & Contemporary Neighborhood (FCN) to Open Space (OS) PlaceType; Merge three (3) lots; and Dedicate.

 Orizaba Park – General Plan Amendment to change the Neighborhood Serving Center or Corridor Low Density (NSC-L) to Open Space (OS) PlaceType; Rezone from two-family residential (R-2-N) to Park (P); Until remnant portion of parcel in southwest corner; Merge six (6) lots; and Dedicate.

Greenway Park

A largely undeveloped green space, often a remnant or odd shaped piece of land left over from development, which can be used for casual recreation uses. Greenways can serve to connect or link recreation opportunities throughout a community:

- Jenni Rivera Memorial Park Rezone from Commercial Storage (CS) to Park (P); and Dedicate.
- Pacific Electric Railway Greenbelt Rezone from two-family residential (R-2-N) to Park (P); and Dedicate.

Natural Resource Open Space

Open space is any area of land or water that is essentially unimproved and largely devoted to an undeveloped or unconstructed type of use:

• Willow Springs Park – Rezone from Medium industrial (IM) to Park (P) consistent with parcel boundary; and Dedicate.