

FAIR OAKS RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETING

FOR

**PLAZA PARK, VILLAGE PARK, AND
FAIR OAKS COMMUNITY CLUBHOUSE
PARK MASTER PLAN**



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Agenda

- **Introduction** (*10 minutes*)
- **Presentation** (*30 minutes*)
 - Project Background
 - Master Plan Process
 - Site History and Context
 - Site Analysis
 - User Group Summary
- **Comment period** (*40 minutes*)
- **Next Steps** (*10 minutes*)
(meeting end 7:30)

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Workshop Rules

- Questions and comments will be taken after presentation
- Speak clearly and one at a time
- All questions and comments are valid and important
- Each new comment will be written, try not to repeat

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Purpose of Workshop

- **Solicit ideas for Park Master Plan**
- **Identify existing site issues and opportunities**
- **Gather feedback from community**
- **Develop list of current and potential uses**
- **Record of Discussion**

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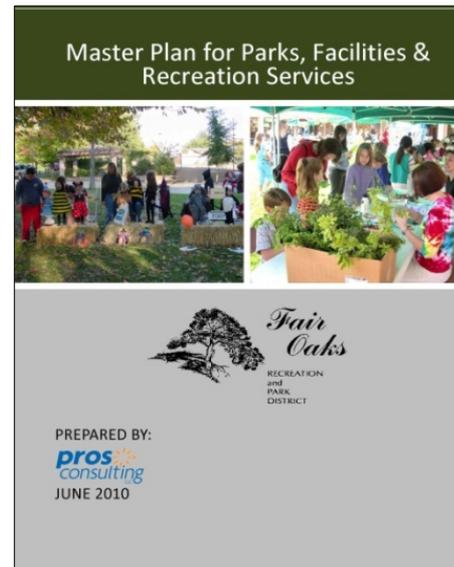
Project Background

- 2008 - Fair Oaks Village Enhancement Vision
 - *“public living room”*
 - *“creating a consistent walking environment around the park”*
 - *“park area would feel like one public space rather than several spaces”*

- 2010 - Master Plan for Parks, Facilities & Recreation Services
 - *“create one large park with additional circulation, better ingress and egress and maximized parking.”*



Enhancement Vision,
August 2008 by FOVEC



Master Plan, June 2010
by Pros Consulting

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Project Background

- 2010 - Veterans Memorial Amphitheatre
 - Expand stage size, provide year round events, provide indoor rehearsal space, backstage dressing space, and provide access from Plaza Park.



Architectural Renderings
courtesy of WMB Architects

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Master Plan Process

- Previous Studies
- District Board Meeting
- Site Analysis
- User Group Meeting
- Community Outreach Meeting #1 (August 24, 2011)
- Meetings with District Staff
- Conceptual Alternative Plans
- Special Board Meeting
- Community Outreach Meeting #2
- Final Master Plan Document
- District Board Approval (Regular December Meeting)

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Site History

- FDR's Second New Deal – Federal Works Progress Administration (WPA) relief program
- 1940-WPA converted the 2nd school building (built 1928) into the Clubhouse
- The famous chickens



Credit Photo courtesy of the Fair Oaks Historical Society.



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■ Plaza Park

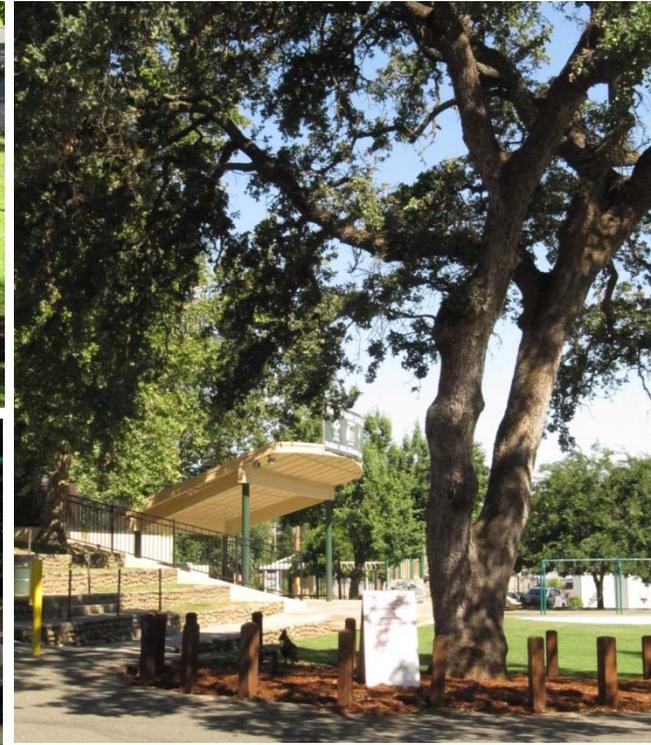
- festivals
- feeding chickens
- leisure



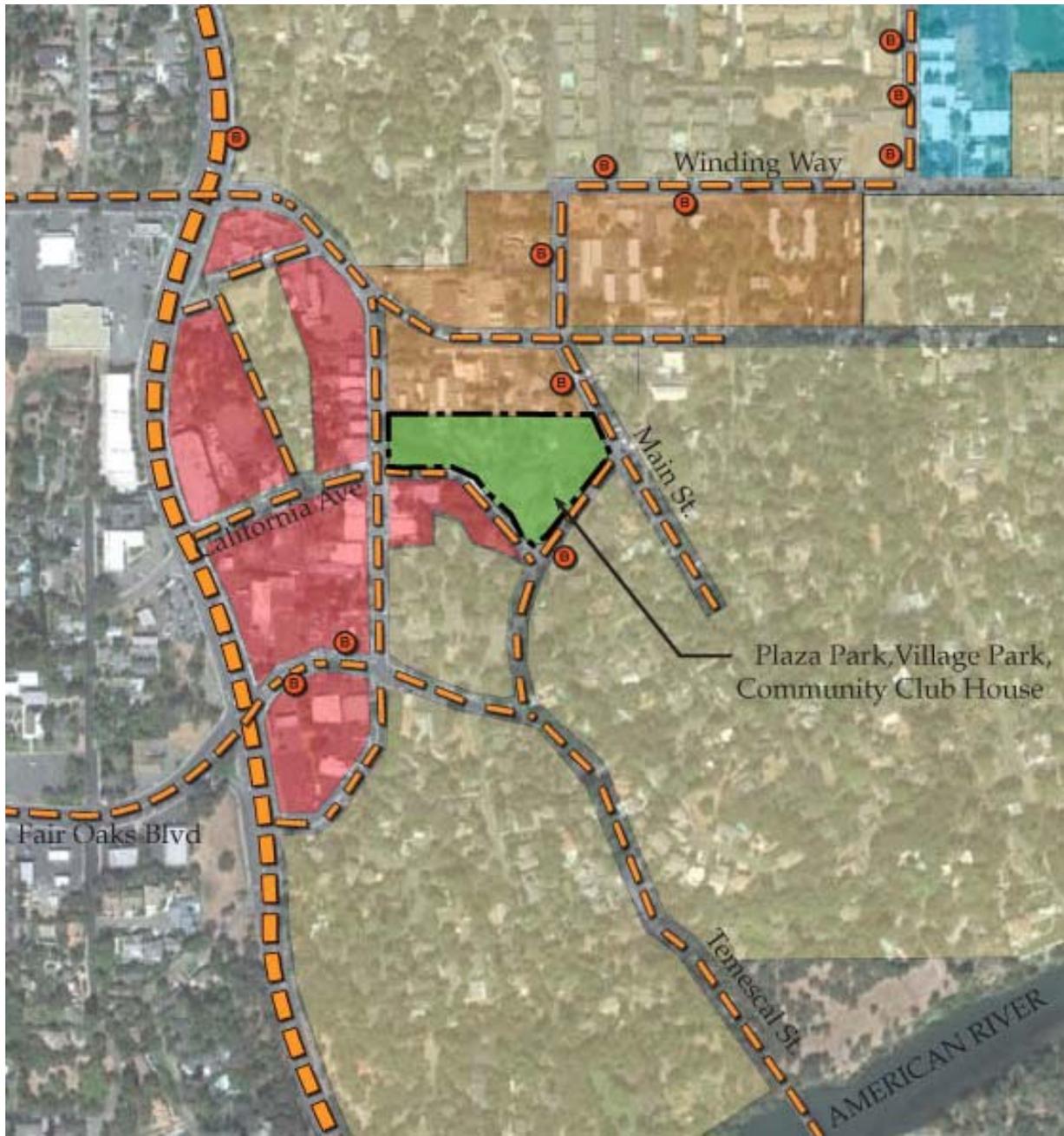
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■ Village Park

- summer concerts
- children's play area
- open turf field



Site Context



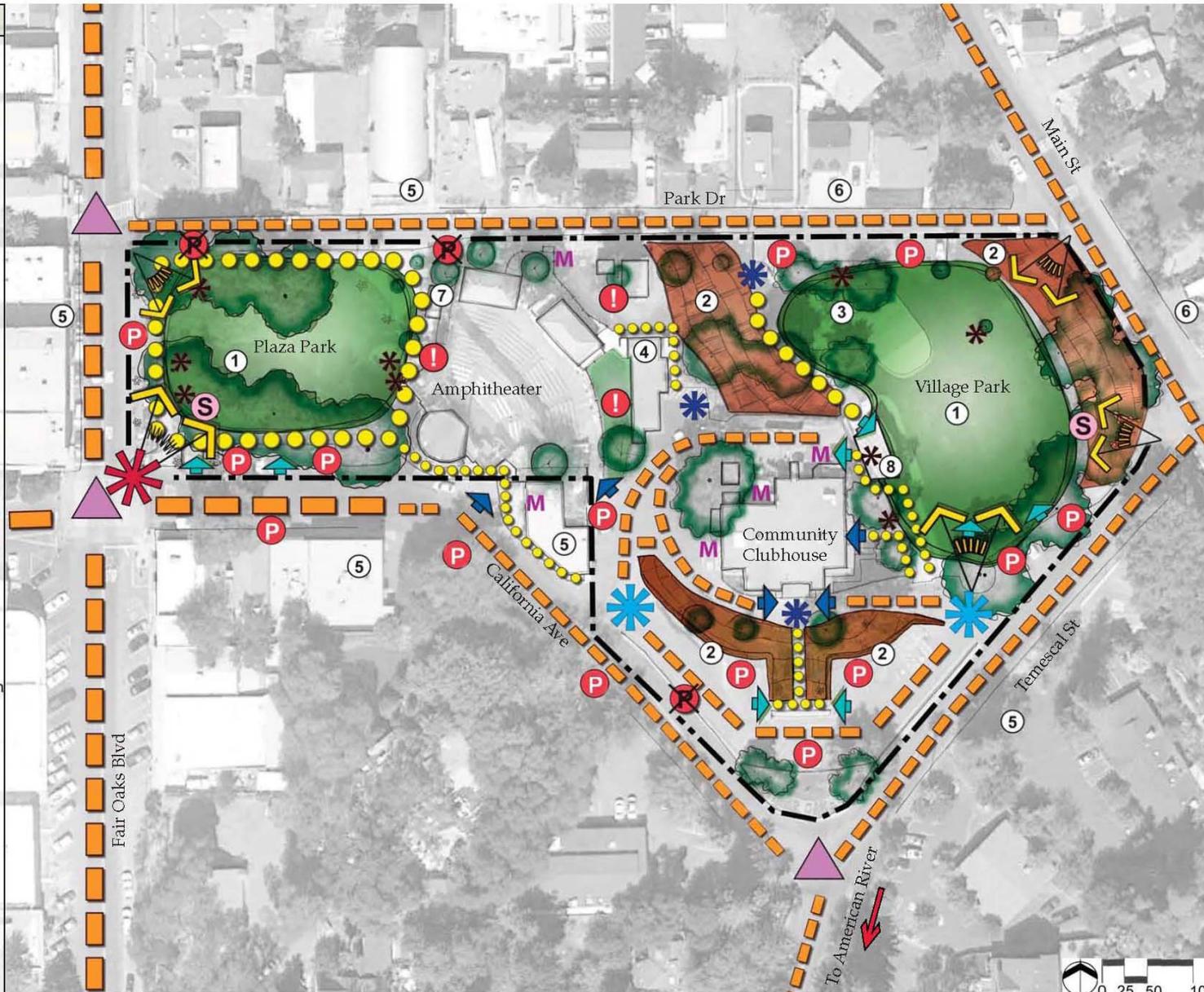
Legend

-  Bus Stop
-  Large Street
-  Small Street
-  Commercial
-  Park
-  Mixed Use
-  Residential
-  School

Site Analysis

Legend

-  Intersection Conflict
-  Parking
-  No Parking
-  Hiding Spots
-  Signage
-  Limited Pedestrian Access
-  Open Pedestrian Access
-  Maintenance / Vendor Only
-  Memorial / Dedication
-  Pedestrian Access
-  Vehicle Access
-  Blocked View
-  Views
-  Primary Vehicle Circulation
-  Secondary Vehicle Circulation
-  Primary Pedestrian Circulation
-  Secondary Pedestrian Circulation
-  Limit of Work
-  ① Open Space
-  ② Steep Slopes
- ③ Play Area
- ④ Restrooms
- ⑤ Commercial Property
- ⑥ Residential Property
- ⑦ Fair Oaks Rotary Arbor
- ⑧ Fair Oaks Band Shell



Site Analysis



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User Group Summary

- Parking:
 - lacking for park users
 - chaotic during special events
 - non-park users occupy the existing parking spaces
- ADA access within the park
- Expand existing parking areas:
 - along Fair Oaks Blvd.
 - along California Ave.
 - along Temescal St.
- Remove bus shelter
- Walking loop connecting both parks
- Walking access along Park Dr.
- Improve landscape by adding more color planting at Plaza Park
- Important to protect palms and Christmas tree
- Improve access to restroom building
- One way roads will increase parking adjacent to park
- No net loss of parking

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User Group Summary (*continued*)

- More lighting should be placed on:
 - west side of Plaza Park
 - eastern edge of Village Park
 - behind Amphitheatre
- Keep passive community oriented with no sports fields
- Incorporate history of Fair Oaks
 - interpretive/educational signage
- Access to the proposed future Amphitheatre entrances from Plaza Park should be addressed and coordinated
- Provide directional signage to park elements
- Add a formal wedding area at east side of Clubhouse
- Interior of Clubhouse needs to be upgraded
- New town Christmas tree at Plaza Park
- More trees at Village Park, keeping in mind event capacity for outdoor concerts
- A garden area is desired in front of Clubhouse

Inspiration



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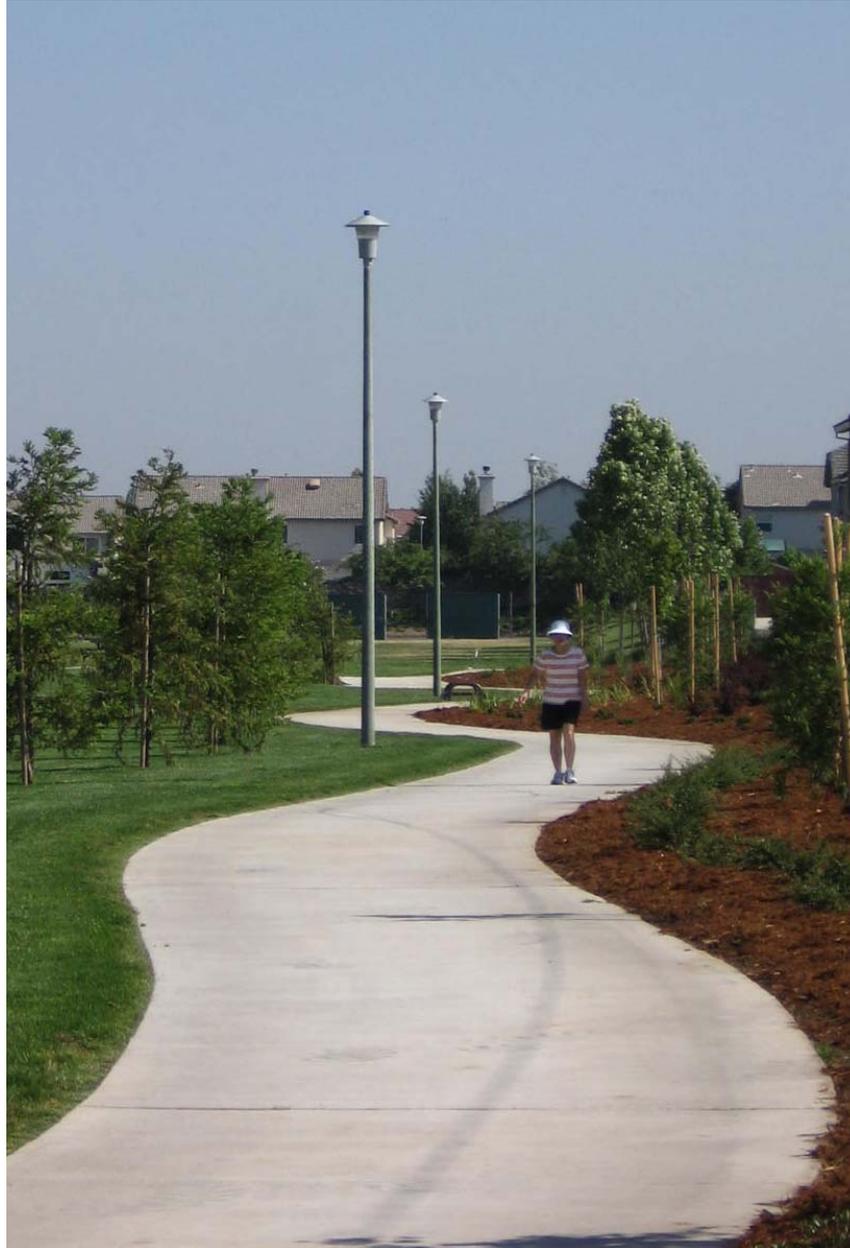
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Questions & Comments

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Next Steps

- **Develop Conceptual Plan Alternatives**
- **Community Outreach Meeting #2 (October 2011)**