

Board and Commission Study Issue Form

The Study Issues process is designed to assist City Council with setting priorities for the coming calendar year. Board and commission members have two roles in this process:

- 1. To advise Council regarding the identification of policy issues to study, within their relevant area of authority.
- 2. To advise Council on those issues Council has decided to study.

The study issues process should focus on considering a new or revised ordinance, new or expanded service delivery program, changes to existing Council Policy, or amendments to the General Plan. The Study Issues Form is designed to focus board and commissioner members' ideas on potential <u>policy</u> study issues and provide the opportunity for staff feedback and guidance in a transparent process.

Board or commissioners may only fill out a form for study issue ideas within their purview.

Date Submitted to Staff Liaison: 10/5/2022

| Board/ Commission: | Parks and Recreation Commission |
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Study Issue Working Title: Feasibility of converting the PG&E land near Greenwood Manor Park into a dog park

- What are the key elements of the issue? What precipitated this study? At the March 4, 2022 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting a Sunnyvale resident proposed converting the PG&E lot near Greenwood Manor Park into a public dog park. The PG&E lot is situated between Lois Avenue and Ramona Avenue. PG&E owns the lot, but the City is currently providing minimal maintenance of the area per agreement.
- 2. Staff Summary of Scope and/or Comments: The study would explore the feasibility of opening the PG&E lot situated between Lois Avenue and Ramona Avenue for a public use dog park to help accommodate increasing demand for dog parks in the City. The study would consider what would be needed to open the PG&E lot for public access. It would make recommendations for potential improvements to the site (i.e., double gated entry, surfacing options, etc.) and associated costs both capital and operational. The Study would evaluate any current agreements or precedents that exist and consider what new agreements may need to be created. Due to the close proximity of residential housing and only onstreet parking available, a robust public outreach component would be required. In addition, the Study would determine if any existing PG&E equipment or electrical lines



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would pose a health risk to dog park patrons. The closest dog park to this location is at Las Palmas Park 0 .9 miles away.