



Sunnyvale

## 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 policy study issues, and provide the opportunity for staff feedback and guidance in a transparent process. *Board members or commissioners may only fill out a form for study issue ideas within their purview.*

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**Date Submitted to Staff Liaison:** 9/17/2019

**Board/ Commission:** Parks and Recreation Commission



**Workplan Year:** 2020



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**Study Issue Working Title:** Revisit RTC 13-111 and update feasibility of a recreational park at Sunnyvale land fill with public-private partnership

1. What are the key elements of the issue? What precipitated this study?

In 2013, study issue RTC 13-111 looked into possible actions on Feasibility of Establishing a Community Farm for Children and Alternative Recreational Uses at the Sunnyvale Landfill. As part of the study, multiple options were investigated as alternative uses of the land fill. However due to high costs associated with grading, recreation uses was ruled out.

Considering the need for more community parks and demand for recreational areas including dog parks and athletic fields, request staff revisit this study issue and get an updated cost estimates with alternatives for grading and light structures. With several technology companies around the area near landfill, a recreational field with access to employees could attract potential funding from the corporates. The study should investigate potential public-private partnership for funding sources and shared use of a potential facility.

## 2. Staff Summary of Scope and/or Comments: [Staff Use Only]

The purpose of the Feasibility Study (Study) is to provide the City a guide for establishing recreational uses in the Sunnyvale Landfill area.

The Study will determine the options and opportunities for recreation and leisure uses and will also conceptually analyze the capacity and design of possible public improvements and infrastructure required for any new uses. It will also analyze the construction constraints for possible uses including an analysis of issues that must be addressed when building over a landfill such as limitations to any foundation design, modification of existing grades, and meeting all required regulations.

The Study will also take into consideration the proximity of the project site to Moffett Federal Airfield, Yahoo, and other businesses. The consultant will work with the City to ensure that the proposed development standards for the Study do not create potential hazards to NASA or the air field. The consultant will also be familiar with the Santa Clara County Compatible Land Use Plan (CLUP) to incorporate applicable regulations into the Feasibility Study.

The Study will analyze possible uses and make feasibility recommendations. Feasibility will be determined based on constructability, landfill constraints, regulations, conceptual costs, and needed public infrastructure improvements such as access, parking, and utilities. All these items will be incorporated concisely within a single document.