

Eruv Study: Findings and Next Steps

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Study Background

- Purpose
 - Consider the feasibility and legality of establishing an eruv in Sunnyvale.
- What are the key elements of the study?
 - Legality of an Eruv
 - Concerns of Public Safety
 - City Review Process
 - Design Criteria
 - Maintenance Responsibilities
 - Best Practices

What is an Eruv?

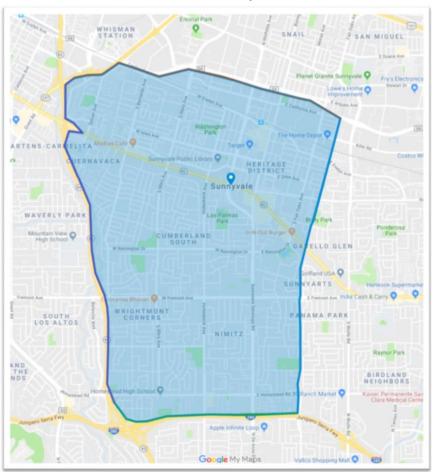
- An eruv is a Jewish term for a system that integrates a number of private and public domains and creates a larger technical private domain within the context of Jewish law.
- The creation of an eruv permits observant individuals to carry items within the eruv as an extension of the private domain and thereby allows for greater community mobility during these Jewish holidays.

Sunnyvale Eruv Boundary Map

TO WEST: CA-85

(sound wall)

TO NORTH: Central Expressway and CA-237 (sound wall)



TO EAST: Valley Water Storm Drain Channel

TO SOUTH: I-280 (sound wall)

Example of Eruv Facilities

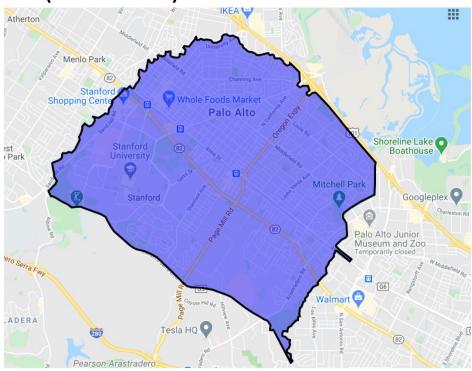


Example of Poly Monofilament Line installed on top of existing Streetlights

Nearby Eruv Communities

• Palo Alto (est. 2007)

San Jose (est. 2017)



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Staff Recommendations

- Accept the findings of the Eruv Study.
- Authorize the next steps for Staff to permit an Eruv in Sunnyvale.

Thank you

Questions?