

## SECTION 6 OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN

### 6.1 Open Space and Recreation Plan Description

A major feature of the West Haven Specific Plan is the system of expanded landscaped parkways (neighborhood edges) and paseos, which link various facilities within the community. The proposed facilities provide an array of recreational opportunities in which all members of the community can participate. Further, these facilities incorporate a cohesive plan that interrelates with and links the various neighborhoods of the West Haven community with each other and to destination points, such as the proposed Neighborhood Park, the proposed Neighborhood Center and the regional trail system master planned within the New Model Colony area. Recreational opportunities vary from active, with potentially structured recreational programs, to passive.

The various recreational facilities are linked to each other and to other elements of the community with an extensive neighborhood edge and paseo/greenbelt system, which will be landscaped as discussed in *Section 8.8, "Landscape Design Guidelines."* The neighborhood edge/paseos will, at a minimum, contain one or more pedestrian paths that are oversized. Bicycle paths (Class I) will be provided as shown on *Exhibit 4-1, "Circulation Plan"* and discussed in *Section 4.3, "Bicycle Plan"* of this document.

The project proposes a total of approximately 14.6 acres of parks/open space/recreation. This is based on:

- 7.0 +/- acres of proposed pocket parks and the 30-foot wide paseo to be developed within the Project Site Boundary.
- 5.0 acre Neighborhood Park.
- 2.6 acres of 30-foot wide paseo to be developed by West Haven within the SCE Easement, adjacent to the project boundary.

#### 6.1.1 Park and Recreational Opportunities

Recreational opportunities are those opportunities which are available for the use and enjoyment of residents of the West Haven community and the general public. They are discussed as follows:

##### *Neighborhood Park*

A five (5) acre Neighborhood Park is proposed in Planning Area 6. The park facility amenities may include the following:

- Children's Play Areas
- Sports Field
- Family Picnic
- Public Restrooms
- Parking Lot
- Walkways/Jogging Trail
- Open Turf Areas
- Drinking Fountain
- Benches
- Trash Receptacles
- Bicycle Parking Area
- Shade Trees

A detailed discussion of the Five Acre Neighborhood Park is provided in *Section 8.9.3, "Community Connections and Recreation."*

##### *Elementary School*

An elementary school will be located on 10 net acres in Planning Area 7. Associated with and on the school grounds will be recreational equipment and fields for school children. Typical elementary school level recreational equipment and sports fields will include playground equipment, basketball courts and multi-purpose fields. The West Haven community and the City of Ontario New Model Colony may have access to these facilities during off school hours, subject to approval and agreement of the Mountain View School District.

**Parkway / Paseo System**

An expanded parkway system (neighborhood edge [N.E.]) will be located adjacent to backbone and higher volume roadways. The neighborhood edge system will be landscaped with turf, trees and various additional plant materials. Community “theme” signage will be located adjacent to the edges. Sidewalks will be provided within the neighborhood edge as well as a Class 1 Bike Path along Haven Avenue.

The landscaped paseos will be 30-feet in width and will incorporate existing Southern California Edison Company (SCE) property and easements (both on-site and off-site) and the Southern California Gas Company easement to provide a comprehensive paseo network. This network runs from the Project Site’s southern boundary, within the SCE parcel, north to Riverside Drive, within the adjacent off-site SCE easements/property.

This parkway/paseo system will provide approximately 7.6 acres of additional open space / park amenities. *Exhibit 3-1, “West Haven Land Use Plan,”* depicts the conceptual locations of the paseos.

**6.2 Open Space And Recreation Plan General Development Standards**

1. General Development Standards to the Neighborhood Park will include the following:
  - The Neighborhood Park boundaries and configurations are approximate and subject to adjustment with more detailed site planning and design. The boundaries may be modified or relocated entirely within the same general area, subject to the approval of the City of Ontario, without requiring an amendment to the West Haven Specific Plan. However, at no time will the park total less than five acres net, exclusive of street paving.
  - All Neighborhood Park improvements shall provide for pedestrian circulation and handicap accessibility.
  - The City shall approve all lighting design, fixture location(s) and lighting types within

the park. The pathway and parking area lights shall be controlled by a timing system, programmed from dusk to dawn.

- All lighting within the Neighborhood Park shall be provided with glare screens as may be needed to direct light away from the adjacent residential areas and to reduce the impact of the lighting on these residential areas. Where appropriate, every effort shall be made to reduce the amount of light that is not directly needed for the safe use of the facilities. This is to be accomplished by the height of the fixtures, the placement of the fixtures away from residential areas, and the type and design of fixtures.
  - The Neighborhood Park project will be granted credit toward the park component of the City’s Park Fee Reimbursement.
2. All recreational and open space areas shall be landscaped and contain permanent, recycled water irrigation systems.
  3. All recreational facilities shall provide parking in accordance with the City of Ontario’s Parking Ordinance.
  4. Landscaping within recreation and open space areas shall be further governed by *Section 8.7.2, “Landscape General Development Standards,”* and *Section 8.8, “Landscape Design Guidelines”* of the West Haven Specific Plan.
  5. The design of the Neighborhood Park will require approval of the City of Ontario.
  6. Pocket park acreage calculations for residential development shall be based upon a minimum of two (2) acres per 250 dwelling units. Based on 753 total units, the pocket park requirement would total 6.0 acres.