

**From:** [Burnham, Nicolle](#)  
**To:** [Rood, Timothy](#)  
**Cc:** [Mendez, Zacharias](#)  
**Subject:** RE: FW: [EXTERNAL] SJ Parks Advocates/Will Diridon Area have nowhere to play? Learn more Mon. Jun 8. at 7 pm.  
**Date:** Thursday, June 11, 2020 4:36:58 PM

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A this point we are so maxed out that I can't even imagine us having time to get them the information they would need anyway. Let's see what happens at SAAG next week! Thanks for the support Tim.

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**From:** Rood, Timothy  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 1:37 PM  
**To:** Burnham, Nicolle <[nicolle.burnham@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:nicolle.burnham@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Cc:** Mendez, Zacharias <[Zacharias.Mendez@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Zacharias.Mendez@sanjoseca.gov)>  
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Dave said their contract is already stretched thin with having to cover for Lori. But can you provide more specifics about what you're looking for?

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**From:** Burnham, Nicolle <[nicolle.burnham@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:nicolle.burnham@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 10:44 AM  
**To:** Rood, Timothy <[timothy.rood@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:timothy.rood@sanjoseca.gov)>  
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Hi Tim-

Do you think there is room in the Plan to Place contract for them to help us develop some communication pieces around the Diridon area parks and open space? In the past Lori worked with them on this kind of thing. I just don't think PRNS has the bandwidth to do all the graphic layout for this type of thing. Let me know if you think this would be a good idea and if you think we can rely on the consultant for some support.

-Nicolle

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**From:** Michelle Huttenhoff [<mailto:mhuttenhoff@spur.org>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 10:38 AM  
**To:** Burnham, Nicolle <[nicolle.burnham@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:nicolle.burnham@sanjoseca.gov)>  
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Hey Nicolle,

I am starting to receive emails like the one below from some of the SPUR members and policy board members on the park distribution in the Diridon Station Area. I know I saw what your team was proposing in the video update but is there a one pager that communicates this a bit more?

Thank you!

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**From:** Hippard, Melissa <[Melissa.Hippard@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:Melissa.Hippard@prk.sccgov.org)>

**Date:** Friday, June 5, 2020

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**To:** Michelle Huttenhoff <[mhuttenhoff@spur.org](mailto:mhuttenhoff@spur.org)>

Hi Michelle,

Do you know what happened with the green space at the Diridon station area? I am bummed to read Jean Dresden's message below.

Melissa

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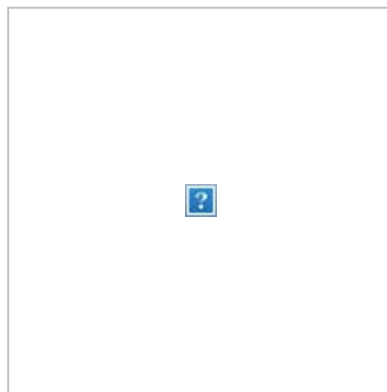
**From:** Jean Dresden <[Jean@sjparksadvocates.org](mailto:Jean@sjparksadvocates.org)>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 4, 2020 3:57 PM

**To:** Hippard, Melissa <[Melissa.Hippard@PRK.SCCGOV.ORG](mailto:Melissa.Hippard@PRK.SCCGOV.ORG)>

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## **Small parks and no play for Diridon?**

Hear all about proposals for Diridon Station Area Plan from Parks staff at our

joint meeting with DANG--a coalition of four neighborhoods surrounding Diridon Station Area.

**Monday June 8 at 7 pm via ZOOM**

The draft Diridon Station Area Plan is moving towards completion and staff released a video and confusing survey last month. The survey questions focused on service preferences for a community center and nothing about parks. The presentation listed all the things planned for the big community center, but where will the City get money to pay to operate it? Or will it be only for those who can "pay to play?"

The map Google submitted shows some green space, but eliminates the 5-acre park and "green fingers" of the earlier Diridon Area Plan. The Los Gatos Creek trail route on the map is abandoned for an on-street alternative. The park in front of the train station is gone with the new Caltrain Station.

Who will own the green spaces? Who will be allowed to visit? Will it be private like eBay's soccer fields on North First? Or will open space be only for those who can afford to eat in the adjacent restaurants? What if Google abandons the project? Will the green spaces disappear under a new owner's high rise?

The Diridon Station Area plan covers all of the area around the station, not just Google's land. But it seems Google is driving the design. Will there be anywhere OUTSIDE in fresh air that people who live and work there can have active play?

Even if you don't live near Diridon Station, you'll want to give feedback on this trend. Higher density housing and office buildings are coming throughout the city. Will this serve as a template? No active outdoor space? No public parks?

Honored Guests who will answer these questions:

Jon Cicirelli, Director of PRNS

Nicolle Burnham, Deputy Director

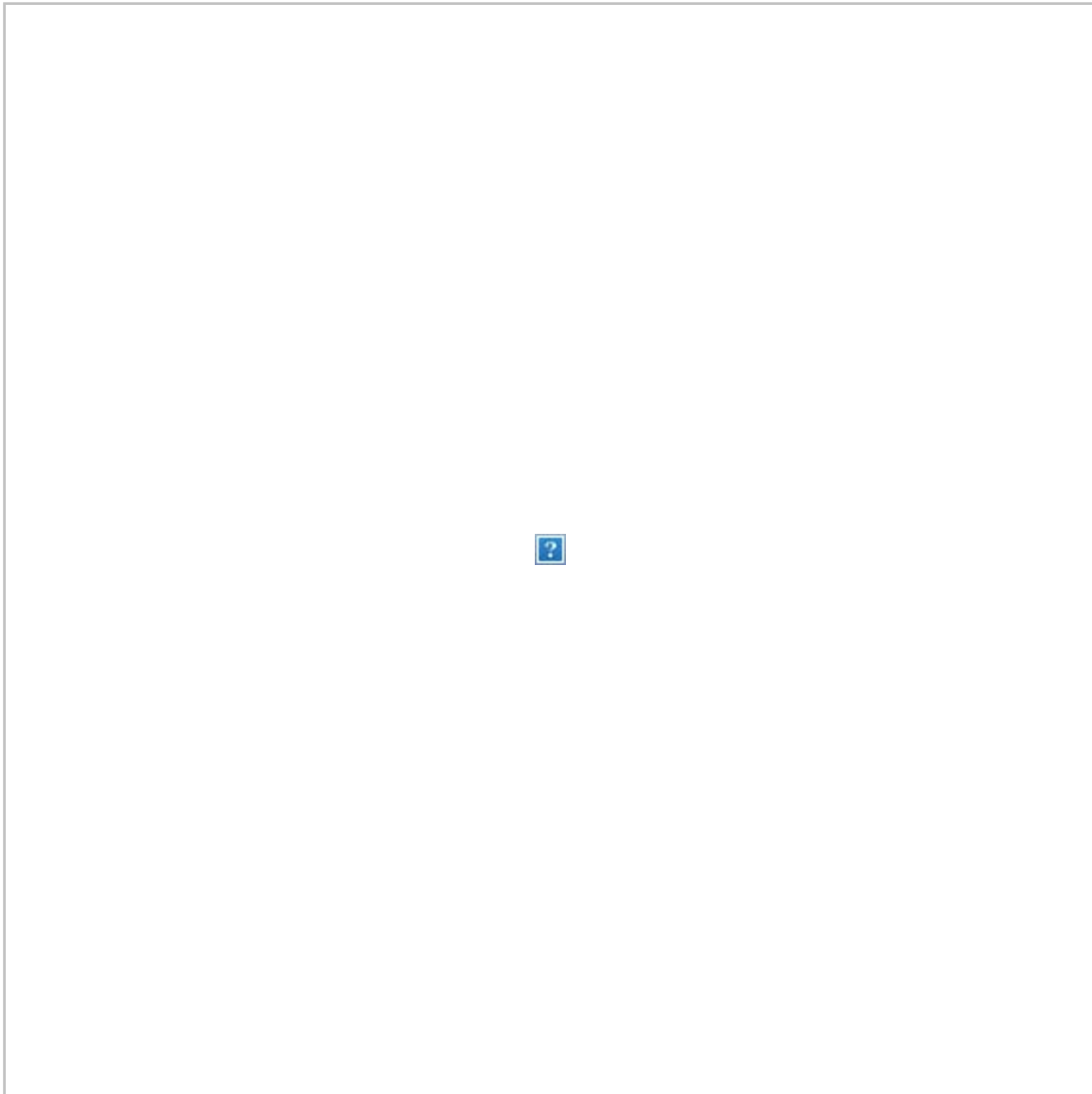
Andrea Flores-Shelton, Interim Deputy Director, Recreation and Neighborhood Services

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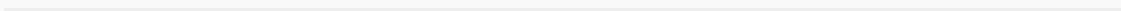
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--Jean Dresden



Google's Downtown West plan showing the Google green spaces and existing open space in lighter green. The new Diridon Integrated Station Concept has a wider footprint than shown here.



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