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Subject: RE: DTW: Reduction in Parks & Open Space
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 11:35:28 AM

Looks good to me, thanks Karl!

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Thanks, Shannon. I added some of Zak's language so that we have now included the following, which I believe is consistent with what Zak is saying:

The NOP project proposed approximately 16.8 acres of open space, while the project analyzed in this EIR proposes about 15 acres of open space. The reduction is due to elimination of one open space area that would have been located on the Caltrain parcels and to refinement of open space typologies (i.e. semi-public vs. riparian vs. open space, etc.), as well as minor adjustments to block boundaries and private streets, as compared to the plan contemplated at the time of the NOP.

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Hello,

I believe the applicant was to provide ESA with an explanation of the reduction in parks and open space acreage to include in the discussion of project changes since the NOP. However, I reached out to City staff (Zak with PRNS) as well to confirm his understanding of the reduction (see below).

Thanks!

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Hey Shannon,

My understanding is that most of the reduction in acreage reflects the removal of the proposed transit plaza associate with the Caltrain and VTA locations. The removal of this site and the refinement of open space typologies (i.e. semi-public vs riparian vs open space, etc) resulted in the net reduction of 1.8 acres of proposed open space.

Let me know if there are any other questions.

Thanks,
Zak

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Hi Zak,

Could you provide clarification as to why it was necessary to reduce the acreage from 16.8 to 15 acres and where on the project site the reduction is from?

This is a follow up item from our roundtable discussions, and I need to provide additional information to be incorporated into the Screencheck ASAP.

Thanks!

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