



CITY OF GILROY
PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026 | 6:00 PM

CITY CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
7351 ROSANNA STREET, GILROY, CA 95020

Chair: Javier Martinez

Vice Chair: Emily Miller

Commissioners: Luis Ramirez, Salvatore Bozzo, Andrew Brinton, Greg Felios,
and Jesse Jimenez

Staff Liaison: Public Works Director John Doughty

Mission Statement

The Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Gilroy is committed to enhancing the quality of life for its citizens by promoting planning, acquisition, development, and sustainability of parks, trails, cultural, historical and other recreational areas. The commission embraces wellness and recreation, park safety, and inclusiveness for all ages and abilities because Parks Make Life Better.



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The agenda for this **regular meeting** is as follows:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. FLAG SALUTE**
 - 3.1. Commissioner Brinton to lead the flag salute**
- 4. SECRETARY'S REPORT**
 - 4.1. Agenda posted on June 12, 2026**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - 5.1. Approval of the Minutes from the May 19, 2026 Regular Meeting**
- 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
 - 6.1. Approval of Agenda for the June 16, 2026 meeting**
- 7. INTRODUCTIONS**
 - 7.1. None**
- 8. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
 - 8.1. This time has been set aside for the public to address the Commission on items that are NOT on this Agenda. The Commission may not act upon these comments at this meeting, other than to provide directions to staff to review the comments and return to them at a future meeting. ALL speakers should submit a speaker's slip to the Secretary before this portion of the meeting and prepare a presentation not to exceed three (3) minutes.**
- 9. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 9.1. Report on Bicycle Friendly Community Report Card — Council Member Hilton**
 - 9.2. Presentation Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights — Victoria Partida, MPH**
 - 9.3. Discussion and Possible Action to Affirm Formal Parks and Recreation**

**Commission tabling at Party in the Park — June 26, 2026 San Ysidro Park
5:30pm-8:00pm**

**9.4. Appointment of Participant(s) for Parks and Rec Trail Master Plan
interview panel**

9.5. Discussion of Fiscal Year 27 Parks Capital Projects

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

11.1. Public Works Park Maintenance and Operations Updates

11.2. Recreation Division Updates

12. COMMISSIONER PARK REPORTS & COMMENTS

**12.1. Commissioners may provide brief informational reports regarding parks,
meetings attended, or community events related to Commission business.
In accordance with the Brown Act, no action will be taken. Matters may be
referred to staff or requested for placement on a future agenda.**

**Chair Martinez - Rainbow, Los Arroyos, Las Animas
Vice Chair Miller - Cydney Casper, Gilroy Sports, Christmas Hill
Commissioner Bozzo - Carraige Hill, Gateway, Prieto
Commissioner Brinton - Gilroy Sports, Las Animas, El Roble
Commissioner Felios - Del Rey, Christmas Hill/Ranch Site, Hecker Pass
Commissioner Jimenez - Farrell, Forest, San Ysidro
Commissioner Ramirez - Miller, Butcher, Renz**

13. DIRECTOR REPORT

13.1. Pickleball Update

13.2. Park Patrol RFP Update

13.3. Las Animas Park Update

13.4. Kaboom Playground Non-Profit

14. FUTURE COMMISSIONER INITIATED ITEMS

15. ADJOURNMENT

16. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

16.1. August 18, 2026, at 6:00pm

**City of Gilroy
Parks and Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2026 | 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Javier Martinez called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM, noting the presence of a quorum and welcoming Commissioners, staff, and members of the public.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendance	Attendee Name
Present	Javier Martinez, Chair Emily Miller, Vice Chair Luis Ramirez, Commissioner Andrew Brinton, Commissioner Greg Felios, Commissioner Jesse Jimenez, Commissioner
Absent	Salvatore Bozzo, Commissioner

3. FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Felios led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary reported that the meeting agenda and packet were posted on May 14, 2026, in accordance with the Brown Act.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes from the April 21, 2026, Regular Meeting

Motion: Approve the minutes as presented

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Commissioner Ramirez

SECONDER: Commissioner Felios

AYES: Chair Martinez, Vice Chair Miller, Commissioners Brinton, Jimenez

ABSENT: Commissioner Bozzo

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Commission reviewed the agenda for the May 19, 2026, meeting.

Motion: Approve the May 19, 2026, agenda as presented

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Chair Martinez

SECONDER: Commissioner Felios

AYES: Vice Chair Miller, Commissioners Ramirez, Brinton, Jimenez

ABSENT: Commissioner Bozzo

7. INTRODUCTIONS

Presenter: John Doughty – Public Works Director

Mr. Doughty introduced Juanita Menig, who will serve as the Parks and Recreation Commission Clerk, to Vice Chair Miller and Commissioner Ramirez, who were absent from the April 21, 2026 meeting.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Valerie Negrete – Senior Planner

Ms. Negrete provided an update on the first stage of a state-mandated amendment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2045. The effort involves three main components and includes a community survey component currently underway, with approximately 24 responses received to date. Staff noted that response rates at events remain challenging and that incentives such as gift cards are being offered to encourage participation.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Commission Discussion:

Discussion and Possible Action to Affirm Formal Parks and Recreation Commission Tabling

Public Works Community Outreach Event – May 20, 2026: Commission members will distribute bicycle helmets to children and conduct an aerial map exercise to gather community input on parks and recreation planning. Gateway Health Fair – June 20, 2026: Staff to confirm city department participation at the June 16 meeting for the Party in the Park – June 26, 2026 event.

Downtown Live – June 18, 2026 (proposed, 6–9 PM): After discussion regarding logistics and coordination requirements, the Commission decided to postpone participation in the June 18 event and bring it back as a future agenda item to allow for a more structured discussion about objectives and organization. The Commission agreed that supporting existing city department outreach efforts is the preferred approach at this time.

Staff noted that upcoming Trails Master Plan activities will provide additional outreach opportunities.

10. OLD BUSINESS

10.1 Review, Discussion and Possible Direction regarding City Park Regulations

Presenter: John Doughty – Public Works Director

Mr. Doughty presented research on park hours and regulations from neighboring cities, including Watsonville, noting that most jurisdictions operate parks from sunrise to sunset rather than a fixed late-night closure.

Key discussion points included:

- Current regulations date from the 1960s–1970s and are in need of updating.
- Proposed adjustment to park closure hours: change from 11:00 PM to 10:00 PM to better align with municipal code nuisance provisions.
- Proposed quiet-time window adjustment from 7:00 AM–10:00 AM to align with security concerns.

- Discussion of prohibited activities, special events, and reservation procedures.
- Recreation trail safety, memorial donations, wildlife feeding, and memorial bench/tree provisions were identified as additional topics for committee review.
- Staff clarified that speed monitoring on trails is not practical; any final ordinance will require adoption by City Council after committee review.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioners expressed support for updating the regulations and discussed the importance of involving the police department in the review process. The Commission agreed to form an ad hoc subcommittee of three members to further develop park regulation updates.

Motion: Form a three-member ad hoc subcommittee to review and update park regulations

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Chair Martinez

SECONDER: Commissioner Ramirez

AYES: Vice Chair Miller, Commissioners Brinton, Felios, Jimenez

ABSENT: Commissioner Bozzo

Ad Hoc Subcommittee Members: Commissioners Ramirez and Jimenez and Chair Martinez

11. DEPARTMENT UPDATE

11.1 Public Works Park Maintenance and Operations Updates

Staff provided updates on ongoing park maintenance efforts including:

- Playground retrofits – in progress.
- Memorial bench installations – in progress.
- Ranch site improvements – ongoing.
- Baseball dugout enhancements – coordination with Gilroy Little League ongoing.
- Christmas Hill Park: trail maintenance and water pressure issues being addressed.
- Sunrise Park: new trees planted; facility in positive condition.
- Rainbow Park and Las Animas: maintenance updates provided.

Staff reported an increase in service requests, with notable issues at the following parks:

- Graffiti: Increased incidents at San Ysidro, Las Animas, Christmas Hill, and Sports Park.
- Restroom vandalism: Ongoing issues at San Ysidro restrooms; staff discussed potential installation of push-button timers.
- Wildlife feeding: Identified as a concern to be addressed through updated park regulations.

Staff discussed potential mitigation measures including positive signage and camera systems. Concerns were raised regarding the high cost and limited effectiveness of cameras. Staff noted that the newly selected security contractor will assist in improving park closure and reopening procedures.

11.2 Recreation Division Updates

Staff via a written report provided updates on recreation programming and upcoming community events. Mr. Doughty noted the staff will attend meeting in person every other month.

11.3 Parks CIP Updates

No Update, Staff noted that a Parks Capital Projects and budget update for Fiscal Year 2027 will be provided at the June 16, 2026, meeting.

12. COMMISSIONER PARK REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioners provided updates and observations related to park conditions, community feedback, and recent site visits.

Chair Martinez

Shared general observations regarding park usage and emphasized the importance of maintaining safe, well-maintained facilities.

Vice Chair Miller

Provided comments on park conditions and community feedback within assigned areas.

Commissioner Brinton

Shared observations regarding park usage and infrastructure conditions, including the need for continued maintenance attention.

Commissioner Felios

Provided comments related to park conditions and community feedback, emphasizing high-quality park amenities.

Commissioner Jimenez

Shared observations from park visits and highlighted the importance of community engagement and accessibility.

Commissioner Ramirez

Shared observations from park visits and noted the importance of community engagement and park accessibility.

13. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Staff provided an informational update on the People's Quality Air Grant. Mr. Doughty shared that the Parks and Recreation Trails Master Plan Request for Proposal (RFP) closes on June 18, 2026. Interviews are tentatively scheduled for July 8, 2026. Panel Interview volunteers will be confirmed at the June 16, 2026, meeting.

14. FUTURE COMMISSIONER INITIATED ITEMS

NONE

15. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 7:56 pm

16. NEXT MEETING

June 16, 2026, at 6:00 pm

BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY REPORT CARD



Gilroy, CA



Award: Bronze | Fall 2022

Award History:
Bronze since 2018

Gilroy's BFA Program Stats

of Local Bicycle Friendly Businesses: **0**
of Local Bicycle Friendly Universities: **0**
of Local League Cycling Instructors: **5**
California's Bicycle Friendly State Ranking: **#4**

The 5 Es Category Scores	Gilroy	Max Score this round
Engineering	47%	62%
Education	55%	60%
Encouragement	36%	61%
Evaluation & Planning	30%	64%
Equity & Accessibility	14%	57%

Percentages shown above are the points received out of points available in that category.
See pages 2-3 for Gilroy's subcategory points earned within each Category.

Key Outcomes

Commuter Ridership: 1%

(Bicycle Mode Share among commuters, according to the Census Bureau's American Community Survey 5-Year Estimate)

Overall Bicycle Mode Share: Unknown

(Reported by applicant)

Annual Average Bicyclist Crashes in last 5 years: 5

(Reported by applicant)

Annual Average Bicyclist Fatalities in last 5 years: 0

(Reported by applicant)

Community Profile

Population: 59,520

Area: 16.51 square miles

Population Density: 3573.59 people/square mile

Land Classification:

Mixed Suburban/Urban/Rural

Poverty Rate: 6.9%*

Median Household Income: \$107,729*

Percent of the Population that Speaks a

Language Other Than English at Home: 47.9%*

Percent with Disability: 8.8%*

Percent of Households with No Vehicle Available: 1.5%*

*Source: <https://data.census.gov/cedsci/all?q=Gilroy%20city,%20California>

Gilroy's Bike Links

Bike Network Map, if available:

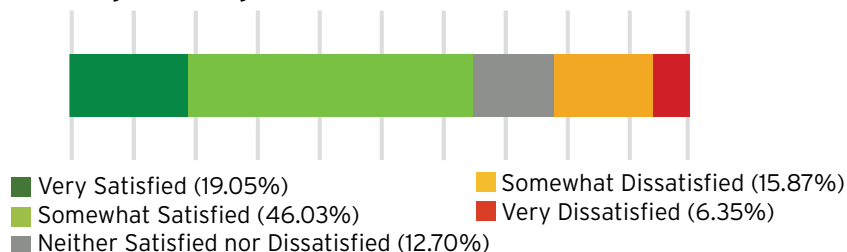
N/A

Bike Plan, if available:

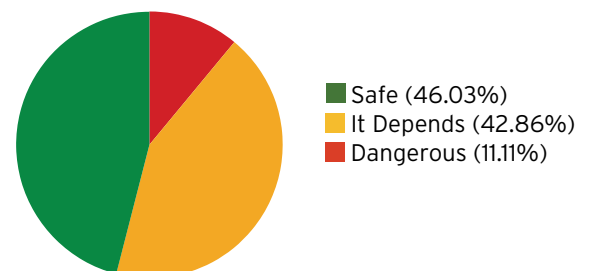
<http://www.cityofgilroy.org/DocumentCenter/View/2330/Bicycle-Pedestrian-Transportation-Plan->

Fall 2022 BFC Public Survey Response Summary for Gilroy, CA

How satisfied are you with how this community is designed for making bike riding safe? (n = 63)



Is it safe or dangerous to ride a bicycle in your neighborhood, or does it depend? (n = 63)



What is the number one change you would most like to see the local government make in this community for bicyclists? (n = 63)

1. More bike paths (30.16%)
2. Improve existing bike lanes to protected bike lanes (9.52%)
3. Increase police enforcement of traffic laws for drivers (9.52%)
4. More bike lanes (7.94%)

About this Report Card

The following scores are based on the online application submitted by Gilroy in the Fall 2022 Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) submission round. These scores reflect a combination of automatically-generated points earned through the online application, as well as judge-assigned points and bonus points given by BFC reviewers.

The League updated its Bicycle Friendly Community application and awards criteria in the Summer of 2022, after nearly a year of research, focus groups, interviews, listening sessions, and other outreach. The updated application includes a new section on Equity and Accessibility, and other changes throughout. As such, **this Bicycle Friendly Community Report card is a beta version** as we refine our new scoring system and develop a greater understanding of how to convey new information.

All Fall 2022 BFC Report Cards (including this one) will be republished with updated scores if there are changes to the points system after the next round of Bicycle Friendly Community applications. To learn more about the BFC application and awards criteria, please visit <https://bikeleague.org/community>.

ENGINEERING	<i>Gilroy earned 47% of the points available in the Engineering Category. Below is the breakdown of points that Gilroy earned in each subcategory of the Engineering section compared to the total points available in that respective subcategory from the Fall 2022 BFC application.</i>	
	Engineering Subcategories	Gilroy's Subcategory Points in Engineering
	Policies and Design Standards for the Built Environment	17 / 38 pts
	End-of-Trip Facilities	31 / 41 pts
	Bicycle Network	59 / 126 pts
	Network Maintenance	7 / 32 pts
	Bicycle Access to Public Transportation	11 / 22 pts
	Bike Sharing	3 / 25 pts
	Other Bicycle-Related Amenities	1 / 6 pts
	Regional Coordination	13 / 16 pts
	Engineering Bonus Points	4 / 9 pts

EDUCATION	<i>Gilroy earned 55% of the points available in the Education Category. Below is the breakdown of points that Gilroy earned in each subcategory of the Education section compared to the total points available in that respective subcategory from the Fall 2022 BFC application.</i>	
	Education Subcategories	Gilroy's Subcategory Points in Education
	Youth Bicycle Education	45 / 71 pts
	Adult Bicycle Education	30 / 47 pts
	Motorist Education	11 / 28 pts
	Bicycle Safety Education Resources	12 / 22 pts
	Inclusive Education	8 / 22 pts
	Education Bonus Points	3 / 8 pts

ENCOURAGEMENT	<i>Gilroy earned 36% of the points available in the Encouragement Category. Below is the breakdown of points that Gilroy earned in each subcategory of the Encouragement section compared to the total points available in that respective subcategory from the Fall 2022 BFC application.</i>	
	Encouragement Subcategories	Gilroy's Subcategory Points in Encouragement
	Encouragement Policies, Programs and Partnerships	8 / 22 pts
	Route-Finding Support	6 / 10 pts
	Bicycle Culture and Promotion	43 / 99 pts
	Access To Bicycle Equipment and Repair Services	11 / 49 pts
	Reducing Work-Related/Fleet VMT	0 / 10 pts
	Encouragement Bonus Points	4 / 8 pts

EVALUATION & PLANNING	<i>Gilroy earned 30% of the points available in the Evaluation & Planning Category. Below is the breakdown of points that Gilroy earned in each subcategory of the Evaluation & Planning section compared to the total points available in that respective subcategory from the Fall 2022 BFC application.</i>	
	Evaluation & Planning Subcategories	Gilroy's Subcategory Points in Evaluation & Planning
	Staffing And Committees	12 / 42 pts
	Public Engagement for Bicycle Planning	12 / 33 pts
	Planning, Funding, And Implementation	14 / 46 pts
	Evaluating The Bicycle Network	0 / 21 pts
	Evaluating Ridership	13 / 21 pts
	Evaluating & Improving Safety Outcomes	10 / 38 pts
	Evaluation & Planning Bonus Points	2 / 8 pts

EQUITY & ACCESSIBILITY	<i>Gilroy earned 14% of the points available in the Equity & Accessibility Category. Below is the breakdown of points that Gilroy earned in each subcategory of the Equity & Accessibility section compared to the total points available in that respective subcategory from the Fall 2022 BFC application.</i>	
	Equity & Accessibility Subcategories	Gilroy's Subcategory Points in Equity & Accessibility
	Equity & Accessibility Staffing, Committees, & Partnerships	1 / 38 pts
	Equity Data Collection & Goals	0 / 20 pts
	Equity & Accessibility Policies & Plans	0 / 38 pts
	Equity & Accessibility in Engineering	12 / 35 pts
	Equity & Accessibility in Education	11 / 35 pts
	Equity & Accessibility in Encouragement	8 / 35 pts
	Equity & Accessibility in Evaluation & Planning	4 / 35 pts
	Equity & Accessibility Bonus Points	0 / 15 pts



Gilroy, CA

Award: Bronze | Fall 2022 | Award History: Bronze since 2018

FEEDBACK TO IMPROVE:

To maintain and improve on Gilroy's Bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community award, BFC Reviewers recommend...

- » Lower speed limits on residential streets to 20 mph or less. Introduce road diets and traffic calming measures to ensure compliance. Develop a system of bicycle boulevards, utilizing these quiet neighborhood streets, that creates an attractive, convenient, and comfortable cycling environment welcoming to cyclists of all ages and skill levels. Use the Bicycle Boulevards section of the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide for design guidelines.
- » Continue to improve and expand the low-stress bike network for all ages and abilities, and ensure that your community follows a bicycle facility selection criteria that increases separation and protection of bicyclists based on levels of motor vehicle speed and volume.
- » Continue to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community, and to upgrade the quality of existing bike parking to meet APBP standards. Adopt a bike parking ordinance, as planned, for new and existing buildings that specifies the amount and location of secure, convenient, APBP-compliant bike parking available. (See www.apbp.org/bicycle-parking-solutions)
- » Pay close attention to how bicycles are accommodated at intersections. Update signalized crossings to detect and prioritize bicyclists by extending green lights as a bicycle approaches the intersection. Consider no-right-on-red policies at all signalized intersections in the city to make roadways safer for all vulnerable roadway users.
- » Improve bicycle safety education for students of all ages by incorporating more on-bicycle education opportunities and by expanding the program to all K-12 schools. Providing bicycles in schools for on-bike education ensures that all students can learn to safely ride a bicycle regardless of the availability of a bicycle in their household.
- » Continue to increase multi-lingual bike safety and motorist education opportunities and resources. The League now offers several of the Smart Cycling education resources in Spanish, including the Smart Cycling Quick Guide and Smart Cycling Manual.
- » Develop a community-wide Guaranteed Ride Home program to support active transportation commuters in Gilroy.
- » Continue to encourage more local businesses, agencies, and organizations to promote cycling to their employees and customers and to seek recognition through the Bicycle Friendly Business program. City Hall or other municipal buildings could apply to the BFB program as an employer to lead by example among other local area employers.
- » Increase the amount of staff time spent on improving conditions for people who bike and walk, either by creating a new dedicated position (either full-time or part-time) or expanding the responsibilities of current staff. Ensure that this new position is well supported with training and professional development opportunities to stay up-to-speed on the latest best practices and safety guidelines for bicycle planning, outreach, and infrastructure. Many Bicycle Friendly Communities of your size have established a Safe Routes to School position and an Active Transportation Coordinator or Transportation Demand Management position.

BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY REPORT CARD



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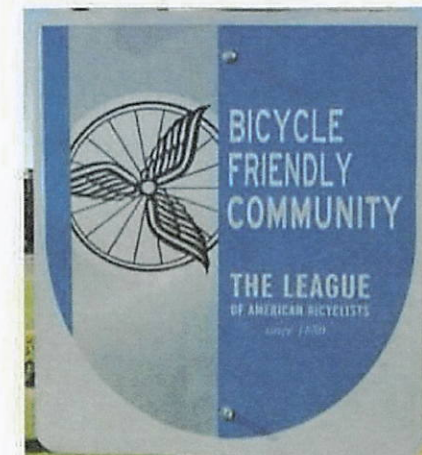
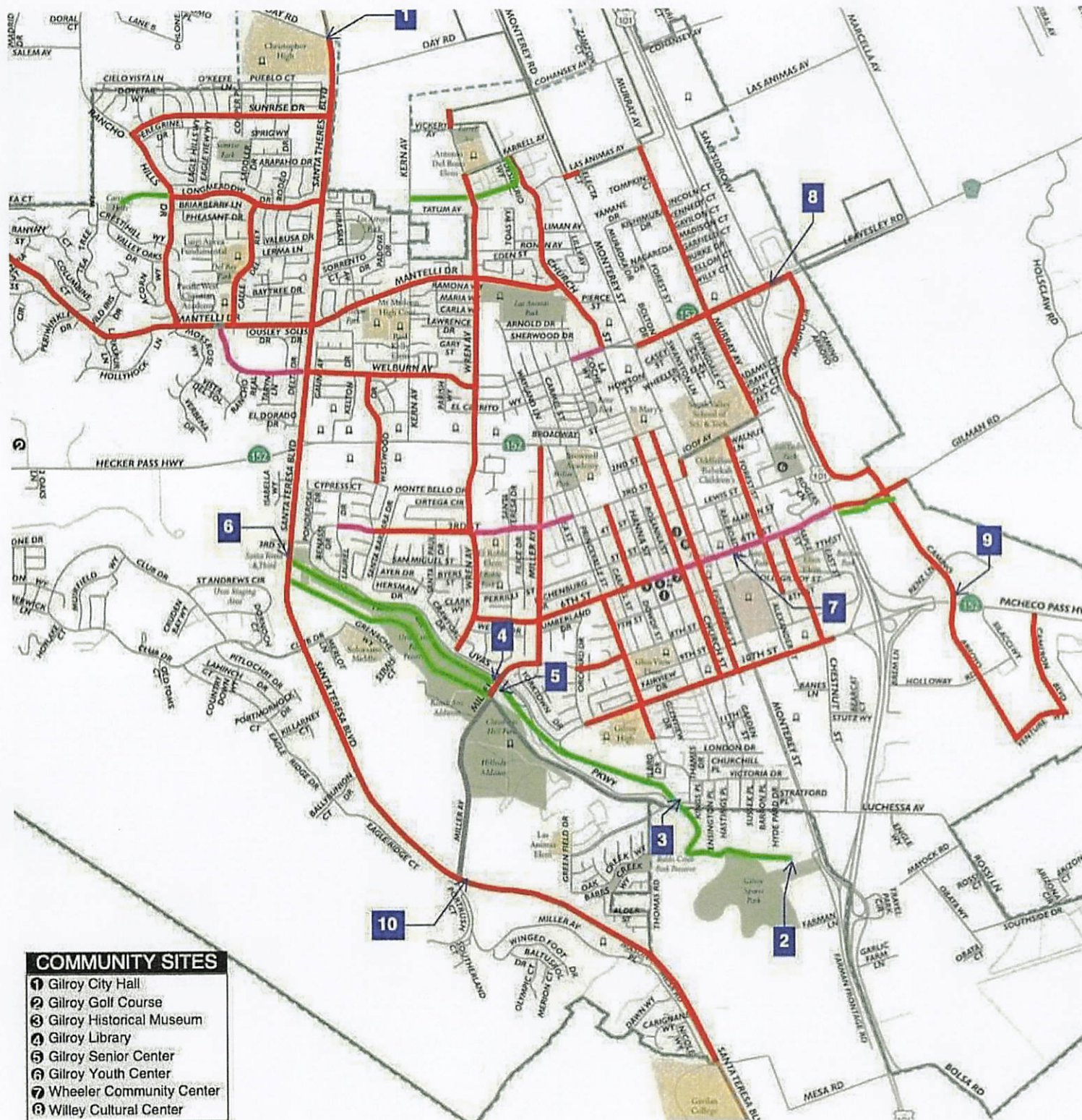
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FEEDBACK TO IMPROVE, CONTINUED:

- » Begin the process of creating a new Bicycle Master Plan or updating your 2002 Bicycle / Pedestrian Transportation Plan. Regularly updating your bicycle plan is key to improving conditions for bicycling, adhering to evolving best practices and national standards, and institutionalizing processes for continual evaluation and improvement. Ensure the new plan includes specific and measurable goals and performance measures to track progress, and is supported by a dedicated budget for implementation.
- » Continue to develop a bicycle count program that utilizes several methods of data collection including automated bicycle counters to provide long-term data on bicycle use at fixed points and mobile counters to provide periodic or before/after data related to changes in your community's road or bicycle network.
- » Develop a dedicated public-facing webpage on the city's main website for Gilroy's BPAC (in addition to the existing Facebook page) that can be accessed by anyone without having to log in or create an account.
- » Work on incorporating equity goals into your community's bike work. Consider what other local community groups exist in Gilroy who may be good potential partners to reach new audiences and build on existing bike education, encouragement, and engagement efforts. Question F4 on the BFC application provides a wealth of suggested community partners for you to consider, beyond the existing bike clubs and organizations that are already active in this space.

MORE RESOURCES FOR IMPROVING YOUR COMMUNITY:

- » **League of American Bicyclists:** <https://www.bikeleague.org>
- » **Resources for Building a Bicycle Friendly Community:** https://bikeleague.org/BFC_Resources
- » **About the BFC Application Process:** <https://bikeleague.org/content/about-bfc-application-process>
- » **The Five E's:** <https://bikeleague.org/5-es>
- » **The League's Benchmarking Project on Biking and Walking Data and Reports:** <https://data.bikeleague.org>
- » **Bicycle Friendly State Rankings and Report Cards:** <https://bikeleague.org/state>
- » **Bicycle Friendly Business Program:** <https://bikeleague.org/business>
- » **Bicycle Friendly University Program:** <https://bikeleague.org/university>
- » **Smart Cycling Education Program:** <https://bikeleague.org/ridesmart>
- » **Advocacy Reports and Resources from the League:** <http://bikeleague.org/reports>
- » **Federal Funding Resources from the League:** <https://bikeleague.org/content/federal-funding-resources>
- » **Pedestrian and Bicycle Funding Opportunities from U.S. DOT Transit, Safety, and Highway Funds:** https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/funding/funding_opportunities.pdf



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Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights (COBR)

Santa Clara County
PUBLIC
HEALTH

What is COBOR?

- The County of Santa Clara Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights was developed in 2021 to:
 - ·Raise awareness of the importance of a child's connection to nature.
 - ·Engage the community in a shared vision where all children can access the outdoors.
 - ·Ensure equitable access to nature for all children in our County.

THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY CHILDREN'S OUTDOOR BILL OF RIGHTS

EVERY CHILD has the right to:

Feel welcome, safe, and protected outdoors

Celebrate the cultural diversity of our communities

Climb a local mountain

Plant a seed and eat locally grown food

Learn to swim, stomp in puddles and play in safe water

Protect our diverse habitats and wildlife

Explore miles of Bay area trails on safe and accessible routes

Play in parks, schoolyards and open spaces near their homes

Camp under the stars

Visit a farm



Why nature is important

- Nature access improves physical health – stronger immunity
- Children who are exposed to green spaces have greater cognitive functioning
- Being outdoors allows children to be active
- Helps heal ACE Scores/trauma





Policy, Systems and Environmental Changes

Policy Change work in process:

- Transit to Parks
- Signage in different languages
- Bilingual Park Rangers

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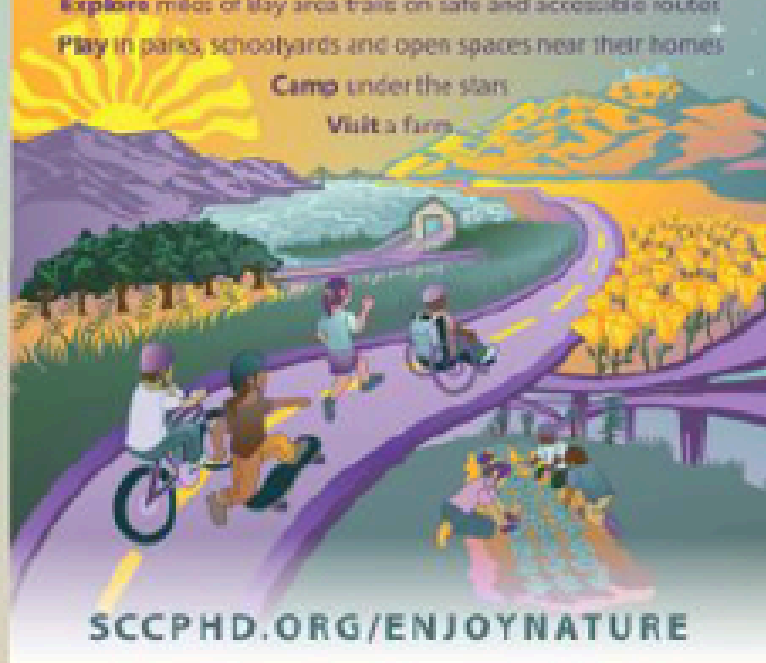
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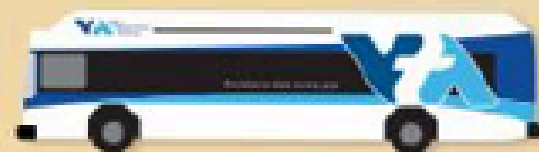


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and VTA contact information.

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open spaces in Santa Clara County.



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Transit App



Transit is the official app for trip planning and real-time information. Travel smarter with Transit, easily plan your trip with up-to-the-minute accuracy, and view arrival and departure times for routes.



Learn more by visiting vta.org/transitapp

VTAlerts



We know that you are sometimes the first to observe safety concerns, suspicious activities, and medical emergencies. With VTAlerts, you can call 911 in the event of an emergency or instantaneously report safety concerns directly to VTA Transit Security when traveling on our system.



There are 3 ways to report an incident:

- Download the VTAlerts mobile app: available on iPhone and Android smartphones, and the iPad.
- Report a Problem, text (408) 610-1440
- Report a Problem Online

Learn more by visiting vta.org/vtalerts

Fares

	Adult	Youth	Senior, Disabled
Single Ride	\$2.50	\$1.25	\$1.00
Day Pass	\$7.50	\$3.75	\$3.00
Monthly Pass	\$90.00	\$35.00	\$30.00

VTA Customer Service Call Center

(408) 321-2300

From 650 area code and

South Santa Clara County toll area

(800) 894-9908

- Listen to recorded route and schedule information 24 hours a day in English and Spanish
- Speak with an Information Service Representative

Weekdays: 6 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturday: 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Hearing Impaired TTY only

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VTA Website

vta.org

VTA Downtown Customer Service Center

2 North Market Street, San José, CA 95113

Weekdays: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Closed weekends and most holidays

VTA River Oaks Administrative Offices

3331 N. First St., San José, CA 95134

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Closed weekends and most holidays

Transit to Parks

Taking transit to these
beautiful parks can be
easy and stress free



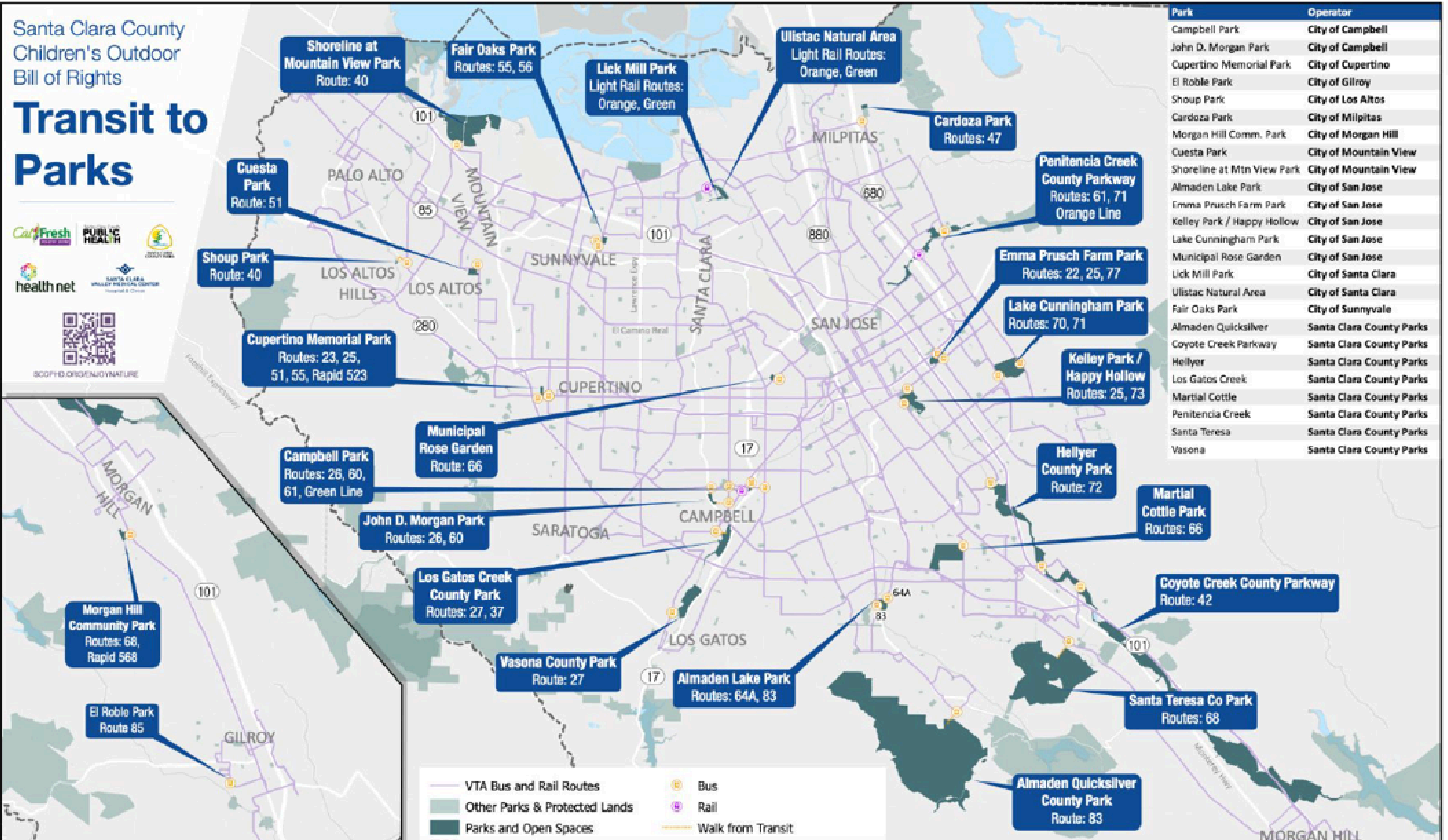
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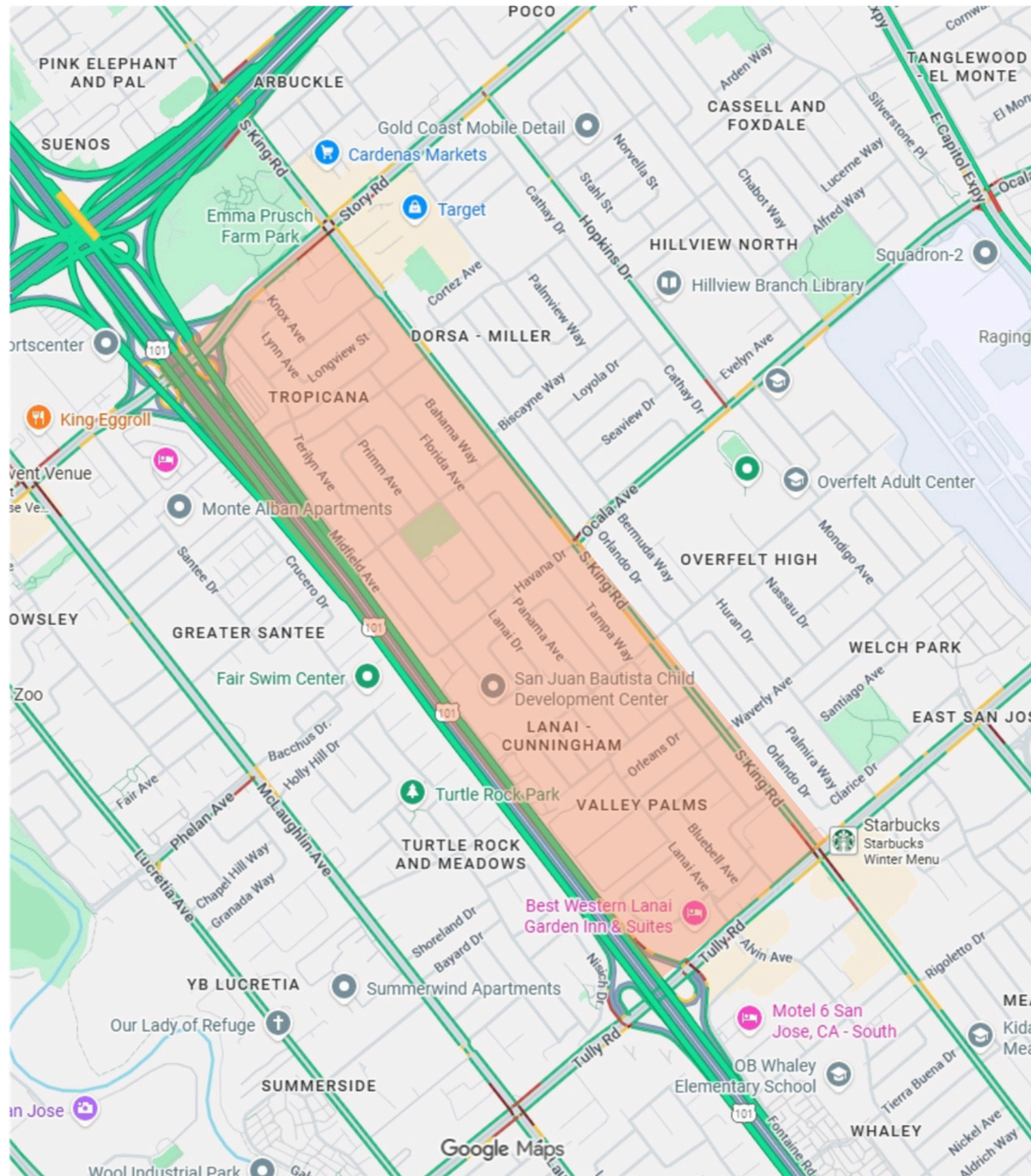
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Campbell Park	City of Campbell
John D. Morgan Park	City of Campbell
Cupertino Memorial Park	City of Cupertino
El Roble Park	City of Gilroy
Shoup Park	City of Los Altos
Cardoza Park	City of Milpitas
Morgan Hill Comm. Park	City of Morgan Hill
Cuesta Park	City of Mountain View
Shoreline at Mtn View Park	City of Mountain View
Almaden Lake Park	City of San Jose
Emma Prusch Farm Park	City of San Jose
Kelley Park / Happy Hollow	City of San Jose
Lake Cunningham Park	City of San Jose
Municipal Rose Garden	City of San Jose
Lick Mill Park	City of Santa Clara
Ulistac Natural Area	City of Santa Clara
Fair Oaks Park	City of Sunnyvale
Almaden Quicksilver	Santa Clara County Parks
Coyote Creek Parkway	Santa Clara County Parks
Hellyer	Santa Clara County Parks
Los Gatos Creek	Santa Clara County Parks
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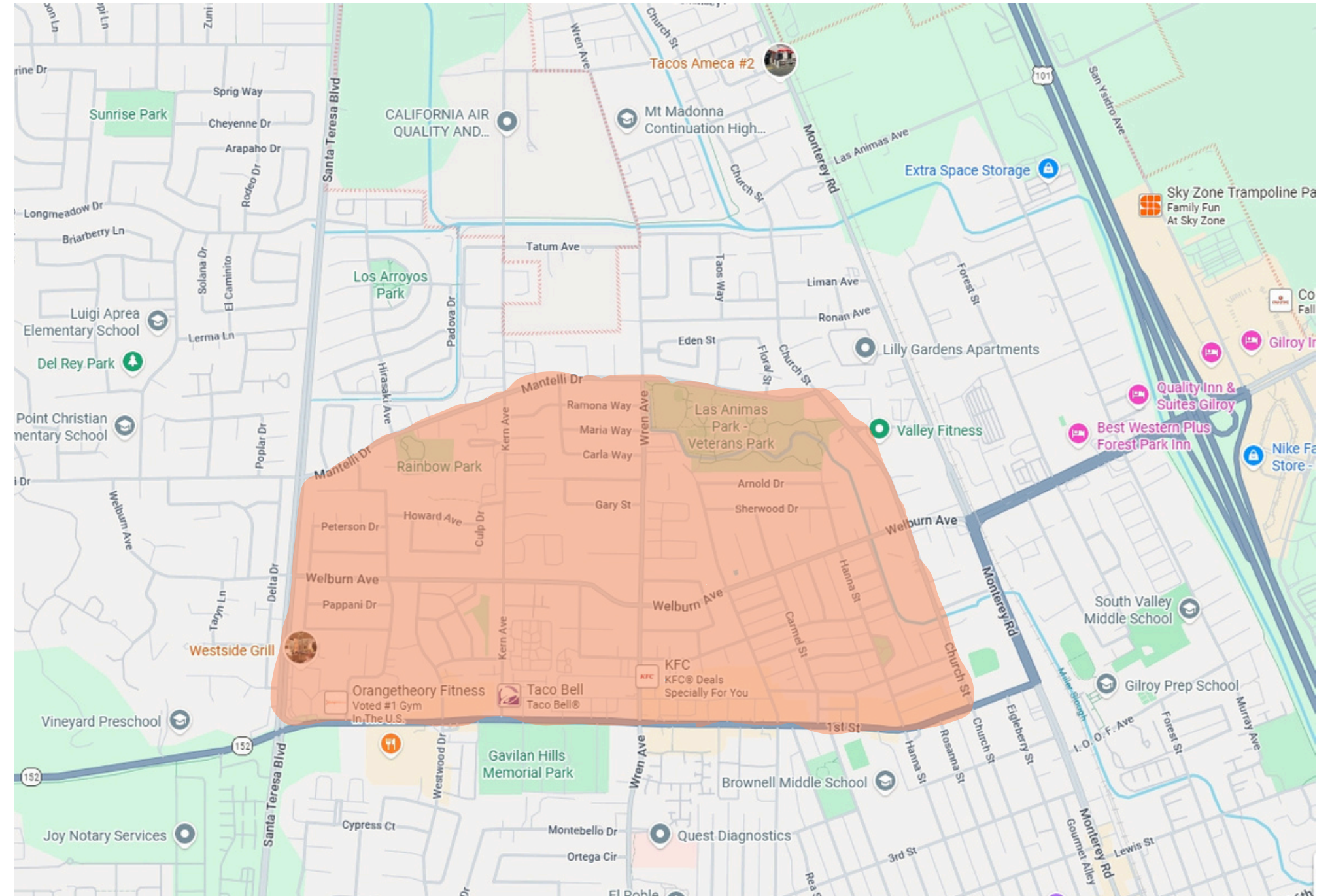
Upcoming work

- 2 pilot locations in consideration: Las Animas and East San Jose
 - Why we selected these areas: LHA, 10 minute (Trust for Public Lands), OSA - Understanding our Community
 - Survey
 - What COBOR nature experiences are families interested, how can we work with partners to deliver identified top priorities.
 - Future Idea: Collaborative to continue the work
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Tropicana / Lanai



Las Animas





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Party

in the park

**Activities/
Actividades**

**Games/
Juegos**

**Facepainting/
Pinta
Caritas**

**Resources/
Recursos**

**Music/
Música**

June 26, 2026

5:30pm–8:00pm

San Ysidro Park, 7700 Murray Ave

Rotary
Club of Gilroy



GILROY
FOUNDATION

2026

Completed Citywide Parks CIP Projects

MORE THAN **\$850,000** INVESTED
IN GILROY'S PARKS

\$87,000

Del Rey Park Playground Retrofit

\$200,000

Rainbow Park Playground Retrofit

\$304,000

Las Animas Park Restroom Replacement

\$87,000

Las Animas Park Tennis and Basketball
Court Resurfacing

\$112,000

Hecker Pass Park Shade Cover

\$60,000

El Roble Park Playground Retrofit





MEMORANDUM

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

From: Parks Division, City of Gilroy

Through: John Doughty, Public Works Director

Meeting Date: June 16, 2026

Subject: Parks Division Updates – June 2026

The following is an update on recent activities and programs managed by the Parks Division.

Parks projects

- Playground retrofit at Rainbow Park completed.
- Playground retrofit at El Roble Park completed.
- Pressure washed forest Park play structure.
- Memorial Bench installation along the Uvas Creek Trail completed.
- Landscape planted at Las Animas Oaks restroom.
- Hometown Heroes banners removed.
- Repaired Swing structure Christmas Hill Park
- Repaired domestic waterline Las Animas Park plays ground.
- Ground squirrel management in process Christmas Hill Park
- Weed abatement completed Ranch site, Santa Tereasa, and Overflow parking lot.

Projects in Progress

- Ousley Park sign install at Gilroy Golf Course is scheduled for installation
- Pressure washing Playstructures and picnic areas to continue Carriage Hill, GSP, SYP, CHP, and Del Rey
- Dug out improvements at CHP and LAVP targeting mid July
- Landscape improvements to City Hall targeting July

Service request

- Graffiti Park restrooms, picnic areas, trails, play structures.
- Illegal dumping parks and trails
- Restroom vandalism to fixtures at CHP, LAVP, and Miller Park
- Irrigation leaks and repair requests



MEMORANDUM

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

From: Adam Henig, Recreation Manager, Recreation Division, City of Gilroy

Through: John Doughty, Public Works Director

Meeting Date: June 16, 2026

Subject: Recreation Division Updates – June 2026

The following is an update on recent activities and programs managed by the Recreation Division.

- **Adaptive** – In addition to their regular programming, the adaptive program has lots going on in June including an aloha dance at the Senior Center on June 6 (more than 60 participants attended). Adaptive participants will also be taking a field trip the Aquatics Center at the end of the month.
- **Aquatics** – On Saturday, May 23, the Christopher High School Aquatics Center opened to the public. Operated by Swimming Swan, the pool is currently open only on weekends through Sunday, June 14. Starting on Tuesday, June 16, recreation swim will be open every day except Mondays (maintenance day). Despite the unpredictable weather, there have been more than 250 users attending recreation swimming. Thus far, there have been 670 participants registered for a swim lesson or a program such as Junior Lifeguards.
- **Bike to Wherever Day** – On Thursday, May 14, twenty-seven riders stopped by the energizer station on the Christmas Hill Park levee to celebrate Bike to Wherever Day.
- **East Gilroy** – The community is preparing for the annual Party in the Park that will be held on Friday, June 26 at San Ysidro Park. It will feature a bookmobile, a petting zoo, games, activities, 30 resource tables, and live entertainment.
- **Recreation Needs Assessment** – Staff will be meeting with the consultant in mid-June to develop and finalize the project calendar. The expected completion date and presentation to Council will be May 2027.



- **Senior Center** – The seniors celebrated the kickoff of summer with an Aloha theme on Friday, complete with hula dancers and a Hawaiian themed meal.
- **Summer Day Camp** – All seven sessions of summer day camp are FULL. These camps are held at Gilroy Gardens Lodge and are run by city staff, who undergo an intensive week-long training where they learn about conflict resolution, classroom management, what to do in an emergency, and how to lead songs and skits.
- **Volunteers** – On Saturday, May 16, 42 volunteers came to help clean-up Uvas Creek and Christmas Hill Park. They removed 134 pounds of trash. Across Santa Clara County, more than 730 volunteers cleared approximately 14,000 pounds of trash along 67 miles of waterways at 47 cleanup sites.

