

CITY OF SAN MATEO
RESOLUTION NO. ____ (2020)

**EXEMPTING SITE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING APPLICATION FOR BOREL PARK IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE
INFORMAL PRE-APPLICATION PROCESS**

WHEREAS, the City's Parks and Recreation Department will be submitting a planning application for a Site Development Planning Application for site grading in connection with improvements to Borel Park (the "Planning Application"); and

WHEREAS, under Council Resolution No. 98 (2008), the Planning Application is subject to the informal pre- application process, which requires that a project applicant hold a neighborhood meeting before the project may be formally considered by the Zoning Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department has already conducted a neighborhood meeting regarding the Park Master Plan for Borel Park, which included a discussion of site grading; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department conducted additional community outreach for the Park Master Plan for improvements at Borel Park, including presentations at meetings of the Park and Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2019, the City Council, on recommendation by the Park and Recreation Commission, approved the Park Master Plan for Borel Park; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department will be submitting a site development planning application for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Council Resolution No. 98 (2008) would require the Parks and Recreation Department to undergo the informal pre-application procedure specifically for the site development planning application and delay the commencement of the construction by several months; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that exempting the Planning Application from the informal pre- application process is in the best interests of the Borel Park improvement project and park users; and

WHEREAS, the proposed modifications to the Project are still subject to review and approval by the Zoning Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that exempting the Planning Application from the formal pre- application process a general policy making activity and not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(2).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY RESOLVED that:

1. The formal pre-application procedures established in Council Resolution No. 98 (2008) shall not apply to the site development planning application for improvements at Borel Park.