**Vision Plan Goals**

A. Engage the community to define and develop an identity for McLaren Park

B. Develop a plan and design principles to build a *community supported vision*

C. Balance neighborhood and city use of McLaren Park while protecting the unique Natural Areas

D. Invest the 2012 Bond in priority projects that support the *shared vision* for McLaren Park’s future

E. Position McLaren Park for future investment

**Vision Plan Principles and Objectives**

1. Maintain the **natural landscape** of McLaren Park
   
   *Objectives:*
   
   a. Identify areas to be maintained and improved as important Natural Areas
   b. Develop design guidelines to support the immersive wild (natural landscape) experience
   c. Develop signage and design strategies to educate the community on the value of the Natural Areas

2. Enhance McLaren Park’s **panoramic views**
   
   *Objectives:*
   
   a. Identify key panoramic views to protect and enhance
   b. Develop design guidelines to protect and frame key views

3. Create and build on the **diverse play** opportunities available in McLaren Park
   
   *Objectives:*
   
   a. Identify types of diverse play that are well suited for McLaren Park
   b. Identify locations to integrate diverse play into McLaren Park

4. Enhance **community access** into and through McLaren Park
   
   *Objectives:*
   
   a. Design a clear trail and pathway network
   b. Develop a signage and way-finding strategy to increase navigability and provide ecological education
   c. Design guidelines for hiking, biking, and running pathways
A number of park wide improvements for McLaren Park were identified during the community outreach. Focus groups will be held throughout the process to craft a conversation on how to develop these areas into projects. If you are interested in participating in these focus groups, let us know on your feedback form.

These projects were identified through the community outreach with greater detail. Some of these projects are already underway or have committed partnerships. For projects underway, additional funding could be given to those projects from the 2012 Bond to enhance current plans or complete future phases. Tell us what you think on your feedback form.

Partnership projects are projects identified in the community outreach that would require partnerships with additional city agencies to complete. These projects could be included in the McLaren Park Vision Plan and flagged for collaboration.
Through a community-driven process, a number of park wide improvements for McLaren Park were identified. Focus groups will be held throughout the process to craft a conversation on how to develop these areas into projects.

### Focus Groups on Key Park Issues

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<td>Improve hiking trails</td>
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### Principles

1. Maintain the natural landscape of McLaren Park
2. Enhance McLaren Park's panoramic views
3. Create and build on the diverse play opportunities available in McLaren Park
4. Enhance community access into and through McLaren Park

### Objectives

- Delineate Natural Areas
- Develop ecological interpretive signage
- Enhance native vegetation
- Provide ecological education signage at existing vista points
- Enhance the immersive quality around the edge of the park while maintaining safety and visibility
- Use planting to provide clear park edges to improve park legibility from other parts of the city
- Integrate ecology and planting into the adjacent spaces around the courts to provide a sense of enclosure
- Locate play areas to maximize available views
- Enhance the existing sport courts to provide more diverse use
- Provide additional amenities to support longer use of courts, including lighting and restrooms
- Renovate existing courts in poor condition
- Allow for pickle ball and tai chi on courts
- Provide clear and safe pathways to courts with signage and way-finding
- Increase accessibility and paving quality of courts

### Focus Areas

- **Objectives**
  - Enhance the existing sport courts to provide more diverse use
  - Use planting to provide clear park edges to improve park legibility from other parts of the city
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- **PRINCIPLES**
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Community Meeting #2
January 21, 2017

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McLaren Park Could Be...
## MPLPROJECTS

**EXPAND GROUP PICNIC AREA AND ADD PLAYGROUND**

![Image of picnic area with children]

- Create a nature-inspired playground
- Limit use of synthetic materials

**IMPROVE JERRY GARCIA AMPHITHEATER**

![Image of amphitheater]

- Restore and integrate creek into the amphitheater site
- Frame amphitheater with tree grove

**UPPER RESERVOIR LANDSCAPE AND PICNIC IMPROVEMENTS**

![Image of the upper reservoir with picnic areas]

- Improve planting around reservoir
- Use native plants and natural materials
- Promote low water use
- Frame the bike park with groves of trees

**INCREASE BUDGET OF LEYLAND COMMUNITY GARDEN**

![Image of the McLaren Community Garden]

- Restore and integrate creek into the amphitheater site
- Frame amphitheater with tree grove
- Improve planting around reservoir
- Use native plants and natural materials
- Promote low water use

**BUILD BIKE PARK PHASE 2**

- The Recreation and Parks Department plans to re-purpose the adjacent building at 2050 Sunnydale Ave as a home for Bike Park programming. Programming will be aimed at youths and neighbors.

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### PRINCIPLES

1. **Maintain the natural landscape of McLaren Park**
   - Enhance native vegetation
   - Create a nature inspired playground
   - Limit use of synthetic materials

2. **Enhance McLaren Park’s panoramic views**
   - Frame views from picnic areas towards the Dogpatch Neighborhood and the East Bay
   - Provide spaces at the ridge to enjoy views

3. **Create and build on the diverse play opportunities available in McLaren Park**
   - Create a nature inspired playground
   - Provide accessible public restrooms near play areas
   - Add additional picnic areas
   - Improve two existing group picnic areas

4. **Enhance community access into and through McLaren Park**
   - Improve connection to redwood grove
   - Clarify trail heads
   - Improve signage and way-finding

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### OBJECTIVES

- Improve jerry garcia amphitheater
- Improve Upper reservoir landscape and picnic improvements
- Increase budget of Leyland Community Garden
- Build Bike Park Phase 2

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