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Southeast Park (1.51 acres) – Energy Theme: *Cycles*

Role in the EUC Parks Program - Located at the intersection of D and K Streets, this park is surrounded by residential uses and is directly connected to the regional trail. Similar to the Northeast Park, the Southeast Park has a strong presence within the surrounding neighborhood, the Southeastern Neighborhood District (Area 10 on the Site Utilization Plan).

Park Theme / Design Concept – The cyclical and transformational aspects of energy underlie this park theme. Active recreation would occur in a children’s play area that incorporates natural materials (e.g., boulders, water, sand, wooden blocks). This park could also provide the site of a community use space, which allows for recreation that facilitates neighborhood ownership and helps build and maintain a sense of community. One possible use could be a community garden where residents may grow their own vegetables. Alternatively, if there is apparent need for additional court or other features that relate to the surrounding population, the community use space can be designed to support that interest.

This park can also feature an ornamental garden that could possibly provide materials for other uses, such as herbs or cut flowers. The park’s garden areas would include a trellis and quiet seating areas. Open lawn areas will be designed to accommodate intimate outdoor events such as concerts, but will also support informal and passive play activities. A tranquil area of the park will be the setting for a yoga garden for individual practice as well as classes; these may be programmed by either the City or a private entity with approval of the City. Finally, this park can feature a display and demonstration area focusing on energy cycles and sustainable energy technology and innovations such as those being considered in the forthcoming National Energy Center for Sustainable Communities effort.

Figure 5a illustrates a conceptual design of the Southeast Park, which includes the following facilities:

1. Signature sculpture/art element
2. Interpretive displays for adults and children exploring energy themes
3. Children’s play area
4. Yoga garden
5. Fountain
6. Community garden area
7. Dog park
8. Decorative and unit pavers
9. Specimen shade and ornamental trees
10. Restrooms
11. Upgraded lighting
12. Seat walls
13. Open lawn area

Images depicting some of the concepts of this park are presented in Figure 5b. Listed program elements and the conceptual design shown in Figure 5a are subject to modification and refinement consistent with the EUC vision and intent as expressed in the EUC SPA Plan. All modifications and refinements will be subject to the review and approval of the City.

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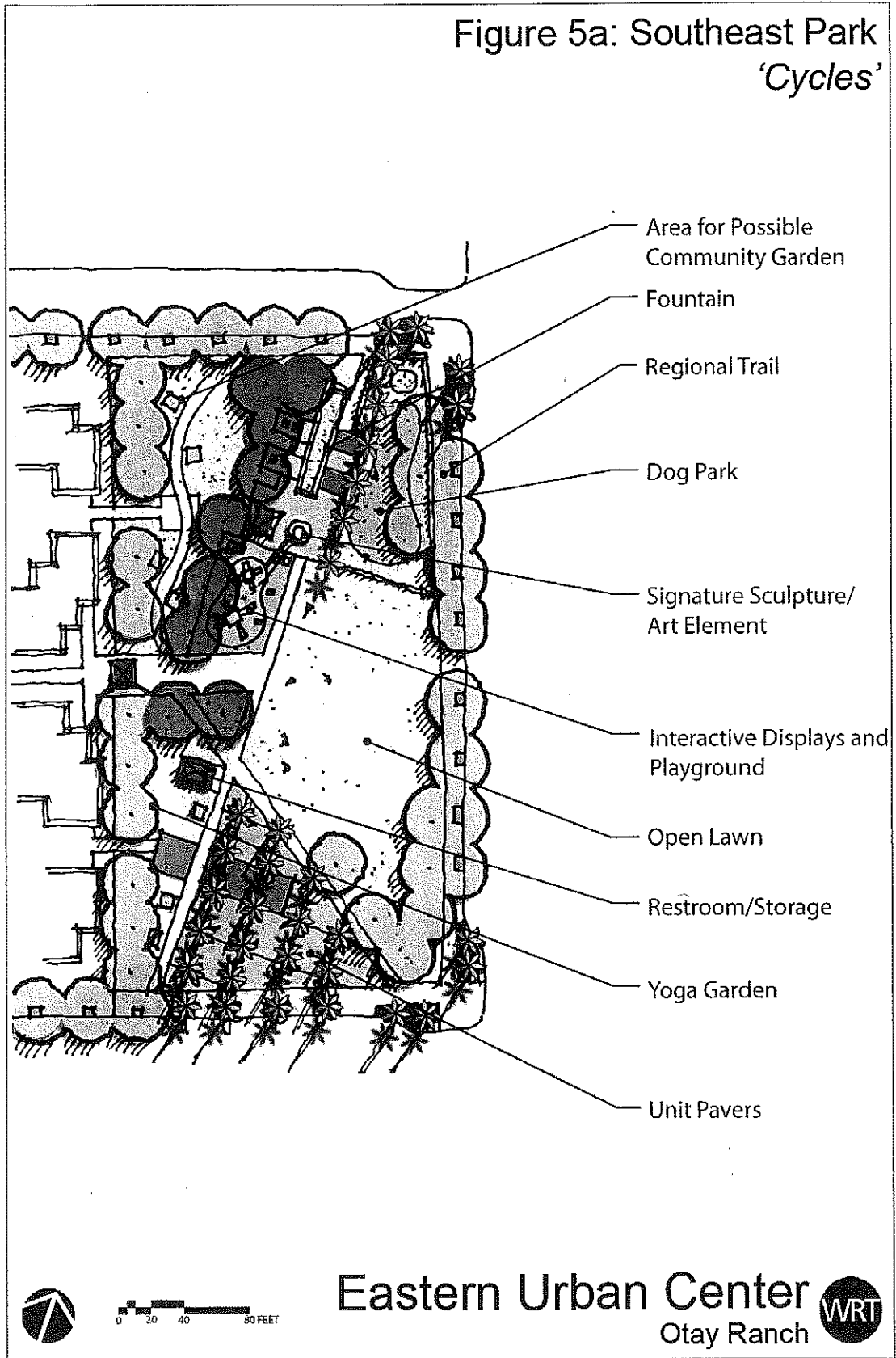
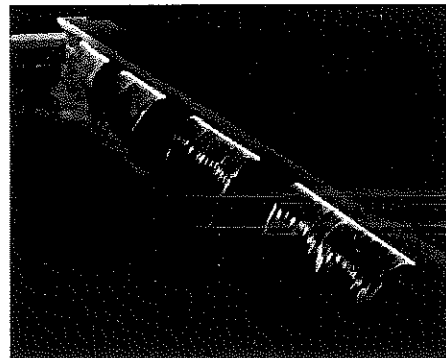
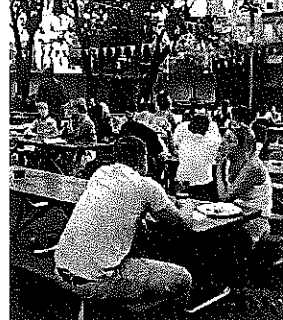
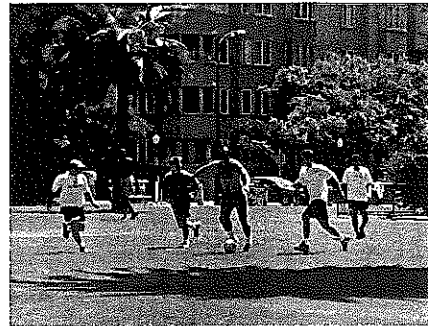
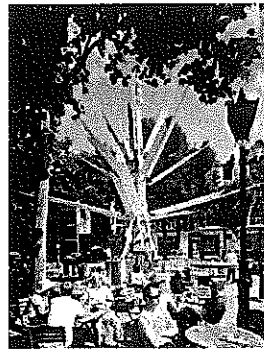
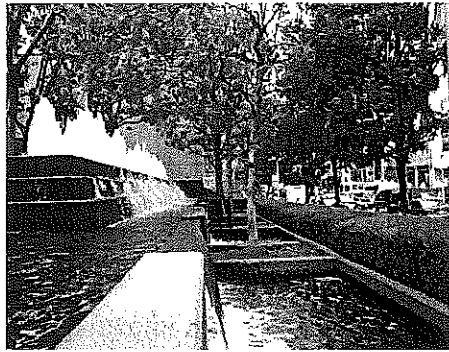


Figure 5b: Imagery for Southeast
'Cycles'



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