**OFF LEASH DOG ACCESS** 

# PROPOSED PROJUCT PROGRAM

WITHOUT FENCED BOUNDARY IN DISTRICT 2 PARK

## City of Chula Vista Parks System





- 68 Publicly Maintained Parks
- 6 Off Leash Fenced Dog Runs
  9 Additional Future Fenced Dog Runs
- No Current Dog Areas Without Fenced **Boundaries**







# City of San Diego Dog Parks

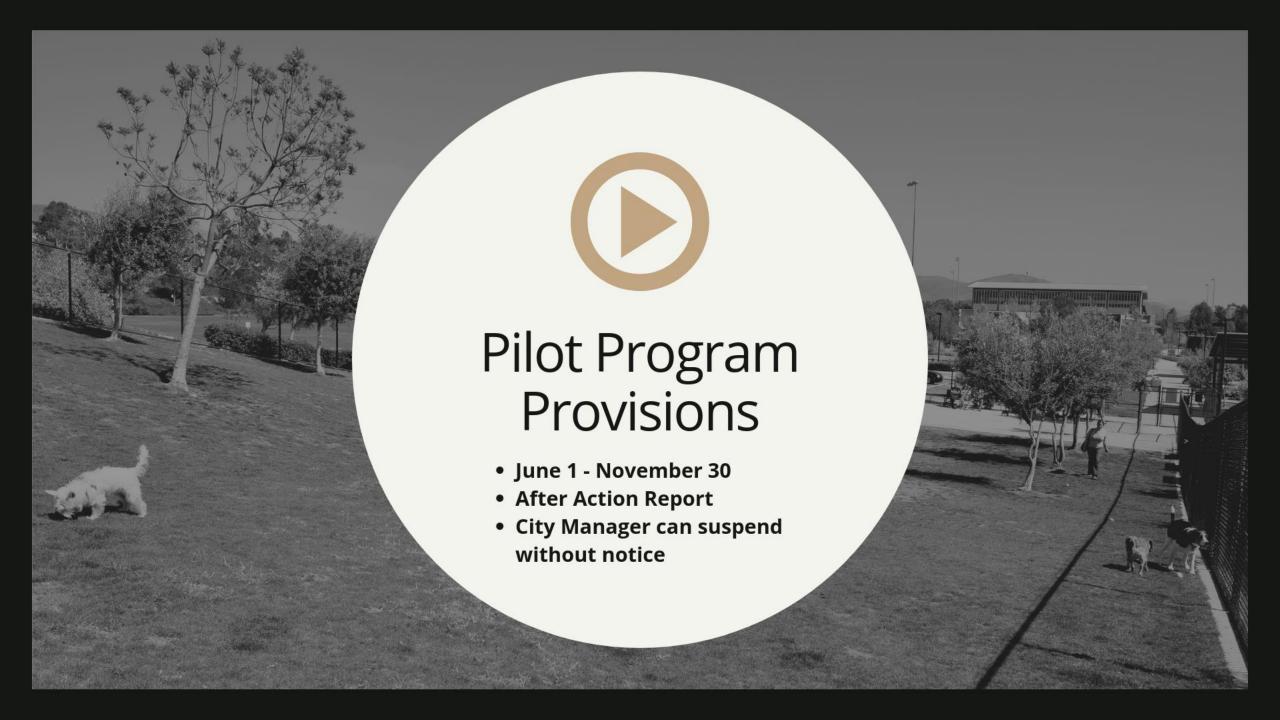
- 17 OFF LEASH DOG RUNS
- 6 WITHOUT COMPLETELY FENCED BOUNDARIES







## CADMAN PARK CITY OF SAN DIEGO







Besides Eucalyptus Park off leash, fenced dog run, there are no off leash dog areas in Northwest Chula Vista

### ENCOURAGE RESPONSIBLE OWNERSHIP



Signage promoting sanitary practices, dog licensing, and vaccination requirements

## POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF PROGRAM



#### SOCIALIZATION

Provides dog owners a socialization point



#### WALKING ACCESS

Provides dog owners within walking distance access to an off leash dog area



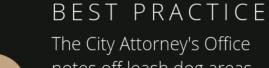
#### NEGATIVE INTERACTIONS

Potential negative interactions between off leash dogs with other dogs and/or humans

### POTENTIAL RISKS



Designated hours and areas outside posted off leash areas would be difficult to enforce with staffing levels





The City Attorney's Office notes off leash dog areas are not commonly allowed in "multi-use" parks, and best practices would call for dedicated fenced in areas



#### TURF DEGRADATION

Most off leash dog areas have degraded turf due to use during wet conditions and urine burning turf







## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Signage and Posts Dog Waste Bags Potential Turf Repair



# Chula Vista Municipal Code

#### 2.66.130 Animals prohibited – Exceptions.

A. Except as provided in subsection (B) or (C) of this section, it is unlawful to ride, bring, leave, turn loose or allow any animal to be within any City park, recreation trail or recreation center unless expressly permitted by the City.

- B. Except during a dog show or exhibition authorized by the Director of Recreation, it is unlawful to bring or allow a dog to be within any City park, recreation center or recreation area, unless the dog is restrained by a chain, line or leash not to exceed six feet and is in the custody and control of some competent person.
- C. Subsection (A) of this section shall not apply to dogs or horses which are in special areas of parks or on trails designated and posted by the Director of Public Works for such purposes, provided regulations for the use of the designated area are complied with. Subsection (A) of this section shall not apply to a seeing-eye dog or other service animal assisting a person with a disability. (Ord. 3322 § 1, 2014; Ord. 2651 § 1, 1995; Ord. 1179 § 1 Art. 3, 1960; prior code § 21.3.1(11)).

# Questions/ Comments



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