

Sierra 2 Park Update

The City of Sacramento is committed to providing access to the City's extensive parks and recreation system for all to enjoy. The Department of Youth, Parks & Community Enrichment maintains over 4,265 acres of regional, community-wide, and neighborhood facilities.

The Sierra 2 Park is a neighborhood park that features a soccer field, playground and other amenities in Curtis Park. More than 20 years ago, the City agreed to allow a dog training group from the Sierra Curtis neighborhood to use the park for dog training activities during specific hours. However, the park in its current state does not meet the requirements of a dog park for off-leash use and continued use presents health and safety issues that YPCE must address.

Over the years, the City has received multiple reports with concerns—including park access and safety for children—regarding off-leash dog use happening at all hours in the park. The park is not fully fenced in which creates an unsafe environment for both dogs and patrons to the park. Additionally, the current design of the park, including the size and amenities is not conducive for off-leash dog use.

To address these concerns and ensure the park remains a safe space for all residents to enjoy, off-leash dog use cannot continue under the current configuration of the Sierra 2 Park. YPCE understands this is a significant change in park use for some visitors and is committed to working with the community to educate on park rules and explore opportunities to enact other changes that address safety concerns at the park.

Dogs are allowed on leash at all City parks and off-leash dog use is allowed at all 14 dog parks across the city. Dog parks—unlike neighborhood parks—are fenced with a double-gate system for safety. All dogs at City parks outside of designated fenced areas must be on a leash per City Code 12.72.060(k).

YPCE is exploring opportunities at parks in the Curtis Park neighborhood for potential renovations and the addition of amenities that meet the needs of users in the area. Staff will work to receive community feedback on the interest of potential amenities in the coming months.

In December 2022, staff will share a survey with the community to solicit feedback on park use at parks in the Curtis Park neighborhood. The feedback will inform potential renovations and amenities at parks in the future.

During this outreach period while residents are responding to the survey and until any renovations are completed, YPCE asks for cooperation and voluntary compliance of the City's park rules to ensure safety for all users.

FAQ Information

1. Why is off-leash dog use changing at Sierra 2 Park?
 - a. The Sierra 2 Park is a neighborhood park that features a soccer field, playground, and basketball courts. While the grass areas at Sierra 2 Park have been frequently used by dog owners as a limited dog training area, the park does not currently meet requirements to be used as a dog park for off-leash use. Sierra 2 Park is not designed to be an off-leash dog park which creates an unsafe environment for dogs and patrons using the park.
2. When will the changes at Sierra 2 Park go into effect?
 - a. In early December signs will be installed notifying users of the change. Once the signs are posted, all dogs at the park must be on a leash. YPCE asks for cooperation and voluntary compliance of the City's park rules to ensure safety for all users.
4. How can the community provide feedback on this?
 - a. In December 2022, a survey will be shared with the community to solicit feedback on the needs of the users in the area. The survey will be open Dec. 5 and close Dec. 31. YPCE encourages all residents who visit Sierra 2 Park and Curtis Park to provide feedback during this time. Staff will host a community meeting at a date to be determined to review the survey results and discuss future park use.
5. Where are the dog parks in the city? (see below)

City of Sacramento Dog Parks

Arden Arcade

University Dog Park – 1900 University Avenue

Central City

Sutter's Landing Park – 20 28th Street

Truitt Bark Park – 1818 Q Street

East Sacramento

Granite Regional Park – 8200 Ramona Avenue

Land Park

Partner Park – 5699 South Land Park Drive

Pocket

Lynn Robie Dog Park – 7895 Freeport Boulevard

North Natomas

North Natomas Regional Park - 2501 New Market Drive

Regency Community Park – 5500 Honor Parkway

Tanzanite Community Park – 2220 Tanzanite Way

Valley Oak Dog Park – 2780 Mabry Drive

South Natomas

Barandas Dog Park - 2805 Grasslands Drive

Blackbird Park Dog Parks – 3765 Hovanian Drive

Glenbrook Park – 8500 La Riviera Drive

South Area

Jacinto Creek Park – 8600 West Stockton Boulevard