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VIA EMAIL

Angel Anguiano, Assistant Planner
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RE: Northwest Land Park Phase 5 @ The Mill (P18-067)

Dear Mr. Anguiano:

WALKSacramento has reviewed the project routing for Northwest Land Park Phase 5 @ The Mill (P18-067) and we make the following recommendation to improve walkability of the project site and surrounding area.

The tentative subdivision map and the cross section for the north-south private street (labeled E) do not include a sidewalk on the west side of the street. Sidewalks are needed on both sides of local streets to provide safe and convenient pedestrian travel. Limiting walking routes and path of travel to only one side of the street may discourage some walking trips and it may put some pedestrians at risk of collisions if they are required or motivated to make mid-block crossings.

The transportation facility development standards in the Northwest Land Park PUD Guidelines require 5'-wide attached sidewalks within the 41' local street right of way. Northwest Land Park has, so far, been developed with sidewalks on both sides of all streets, whether they are public or private streets. However, the project plans and application that were included in the Phase 5 routing do not provide a justification for omitting the sidewalk nor is a request for a street standards modification included.

If the sidewalk is planned to be detached and, therefore, out of the proposed 36' right-of-way width, this should be noted on the drawing so we are confident the sidewalk on the west side of the street will be constructed. Otherwise, the tentative subdivision map and cross section should show the 5' sidewalk attached to the west side of the private north-south street.

WALKSacramento is working to support increased physical activity such as walking and bicycling in local neighborhoods as well as helping to create community environments that support walking and bicycling. The benefits include improved physical fitness, less motor vehicle traffic congestion, better air quality, and a stronger sense of cohesion and safety in local neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

Chris Holm
Project Manager