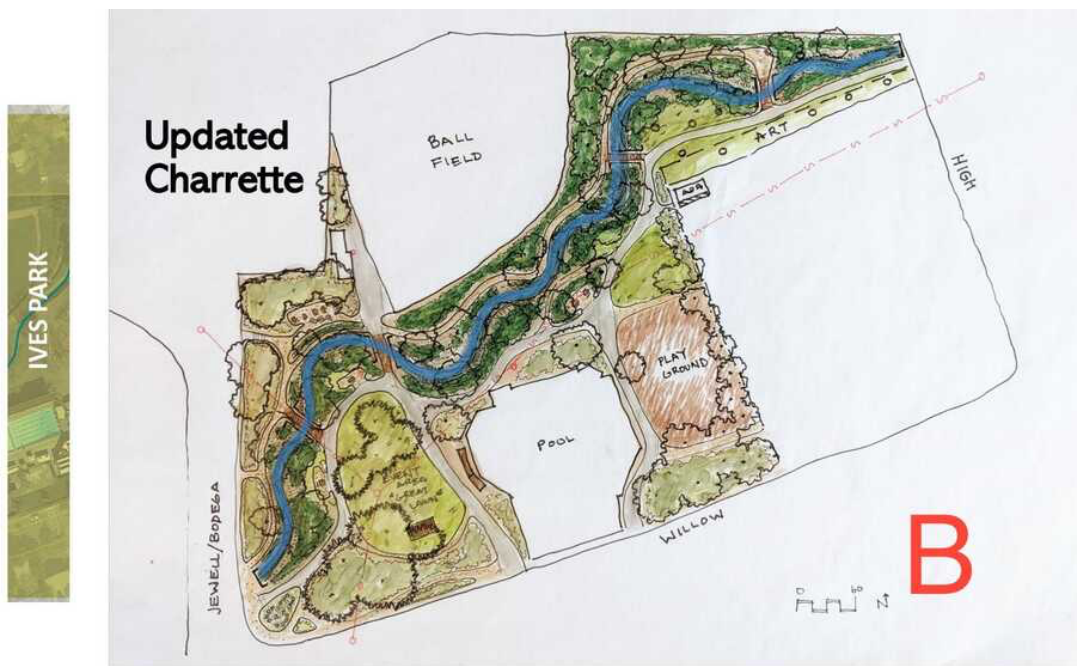


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Councilors

If council is going to pursue the Forest Unlimited 'daylighting' of Calder creek I could only support Option B (Updated Charrette) which would keep the existing character of Ives' Park, including the little league Polley Field baseball diamond in place. I don't think any redwood trees should be removed, this defeats the whole idea of 'restoring forests' and feel bicycle paths would not add anything to the park local roads don't already serve successfully.



I would caution that during historical flooding during the late 190's El Nino years the existing culvert and large underground pipes were barely able to contain water flows. They were presumably originally put in place to route water to the laguna without flooding the city center during high rain periods.

Separately there has been open drug use and transient vandalism in Ives Park recently, opening up more space in the park may invite encampments as has happened in the localities.

I question the wisdom of this expensive project at a time when funds are tight and there are far more important city infrastructure issues to deal with.

<https://www.forestunlimited.org/free-the-creeks-project/>

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