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### **Supervisor Dorsey and Mayor London Breed join community members to celebrate the opening of new Mission Bay park**

*The 1.7-acre addition to the Mission Creek Park network features community gathering spaces, a multi-use trail, and extensive green infrastructure, and will serve Mission Bay families and visitors for generations to come*

SAN FRANCISCO (Oct. 25, 2022) — Supervisor Matt Dorsey was joined today by Mayor London Breed, City officials, and community members to celebrate the opening of Mission Bay’s newest park, Mission Bay Park P3, a 1.7-acre open space along Mission Creek between Third and Fourth Streets with multiple gathering spaces, a waterfront multi-use trail, and a series of landscaped Stormwater Treatment Gardens.

The park’s design was influenced by its urban context, including the 13 acres of Mission Creek Park that have been previously completed on both sides of the creek, and incorporates rugged materials such as wood boardwalks and painted metal pipe railing, replicating the existing materials found along the nearby bridges at Third and Fourth Streets. The rocky shoreline and native plantings found in Park P3 are also common elsewhere at Mission Creek and along San Francisco’s eastern waterfront.

“I’m so grateful to see another park opening in San Francisco, especially in a part of District 6 with so many families, young children, and new housing developments underway. We can’t forget that housing and open spaces go hand-in-hand, and with the creation of recreational sites like Park P3, people have more of a desire to move to this beautiful neighborhood,” **said District 6 Supervisor Matt Dorsey.**

“Opening this Mission Bay park moves us one step closer to completing the Mission Bay project and transforming a former industrial railyard into a thriving neighborhood,” **said**

**Mayor London N. Breed.** “The park will be a great place for residents and visitors to walk, bike, or just enjoy the views of Mission Creek, the Giants ballpark, and McCovey Cove.”

The new park is directly adjacent to One Mission Bay, which includes 350 residential condominiums, ground floor retail space and a 299-room hotel. Two plazas anchor the park and take advantage of the picturesque views of the City and the planned Mission Bay retail corridor on Fourth Street to the south.

Prominently featured in the park is a multi-use trail at the top of the creek bank that provides a recreational path along the waterfront and completes a long-awaited bike and pedestrian segment within the larger network trails within Mission Bay. The park also features new native and coastal plantings to reduce erosion while providing improved habitat for wildlife along the creek and a series of landscaped gardens that will provide bio treatment and filtration of rainwater and street runoff before it is discharged into Mission Creek and the Bay.

“The Public Utilities Commission is proud to be part of this new open space in the heart of Mission Bay that will not only serve Mission Bay families and visitors, but also benefit the local environment,” **said Dennis Herrera, the General Manager of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission.** “The series of stormwater treatment gardens located throughout the park enhance its physical appearance and naturally clean and treat rainwater on site before it flows into the Bay. I look forward to working collaboratively to install more stormwater gardens as new open spaces are built throughout San Francisco.”

Mission Bay Park P3 is part of the larger Mission Bay Redevelopment Plan, approved in 1998, that has allowed for the transformation of the formerly underutilized Southern Pacific railyards and surrounding properties into a new San Francisco neighborhood, which has already created nearly 6,000 homes and 25 acres of new parks. The Mission Bay Redevelopment Plan is overseen by San Francisco’s Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII) and has been instrumental in the opening of the headquarters of global corporations and dozens of small businesses, many of which showed their support of the new park opening earlier this morning.

“Kai Ming Children’s Center opened its Mission Bay doors earlier this spring to support the growth and development of young infants and children, many of whom come from families that live in nearby apartments without immediate access to open spaces,” **said Dora Pulido, Director of Learning and development at Kai Ming,** a nearby Head Start preschool. “The opening of this new stretch of Mission Creek Park will allow the families we serve, and all of Mission Bay, to continue to relish in the beauty of this emerging waterfront neighborhood.”

“The Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure is excited to finally open the newest segment of the Mission Creek Park network to the public. The park’s construction has been a priority for the Mayor, the OCII Commission, and especially Supervisor Dorsey,” **said Thor Kaslofsky, Executive Director for the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure.** “This park will provide an exceptional creek front open space experience adding to the number of places the public can relax in addition to enjoying the many nearby amenities in Mission Bay.”

In partnership with OCII is FOCIL, the Master Developer for the Mission Bay Project Area, leading the design and delivery of the emerging neighborhood’s network of new parks and open spaces, including the 5.4-acre Bayfront Park currently under construction across the street from the nearby Chase Center.

“As the master developer of the Mission Bay neighborhood, one of the most important and rewarding parts of our work is collaborating with the City to deliver these new parks to the community,” **said Seth Hamalian, Managing Member of FOCIL.** “The opening of Park P3 is especially significant because it completes a missing link in the network of parks lining Mission Creek, establishing a new waterfront esplanade along the south bank of the Creek between the neighborhood’s iconic and historic Third and Fourth Street bridges.”

The construction of Mission Bay Park P3 created 218 jobs, with over 40 percent of project work hours performed by San Francisco residents. Additionally, the project met OCII’s local hiring goal of 50 percent, and the project achieved 79 percent Small Business Enterprise (SBE) participation, with 74 percent of total contract dollars awarded to Local Business Enterprises.

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