



CITY OF BALDWIN PARK

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City receives \$0.75 million grant to build mini-park promoting public health and climate resilience

BALDWIN PARK, CA – The City of Baldwin Park can add another park to its construction queue thanks to a grant of \$761,672 from the San Gabriel & Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy, which recently announced that Baldwin Park would receive the grant to build Maine Avenue Mini-Park.

“The community has been telling the City that they want more parks and we continue to do everything in our power to deliver more green and open spaces for our residents,” said Mayor Emmanuel J. Estrada. “Our Recreation Department has been laying the groundwork to transform our city’s parks system, which will soon create an unprecedented number of opportunities for Baldwin Park and San Gabriel Valley residents of all ages and abilities.”

The Maine Avenue Mini-Park will join a series of new mini-parks along the soon-to-be-extended Big Dalton Wash Trail and the Susan Rubio Zocalo Park in Downtown Baldwin Park, which will come on-line over the next couple of years and promote public health, mental health, climate resilience and educational and employment opportunities for youth.

The City acquired the 8,342 square foot lot near the intersection of Maine Avenue and Joanbridge Street for \$650,000 and with the purpose of building a mini-park and the aim of addressing issues of equity and environmental justice.

A bioswale, smart water irrigation system and stormwater capture improvements will ensure the sustainability of the mini-park. Additionally, its proximity to the San Fe Dam Recreation Area and the region’s extensive trail network support active transportation, furthering local and regional sustainability goals.

The new park is expected to make its reveal in 2024. When completed, the park will include various passive and recreational amenities for the community, including 14 shade trees, an outdoor fitness area, shade structures, picnic tables, a grill, benches, accessible play equipment for kids and restrooms.

As part of the grant, the City will chip in \$346,850 in matching funds, which the City has derived from Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District’s Measure A and Technical Assistance Program and the Los Angeles County Safe Clean Water Program’s Measure W. The estimated total cost for the mini-park is \$1,108,522.

About the City of Baldwin Park

Baldwin Park is a nearly seven-square-mile, suburban community of 72,000 residents in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley. As the hub of the San Gabriel Valley, Baldwin Park is known for its ease of access and mobility, young and diverse residents, and vibrant, growing business community. For more information, visit baldwinpark.com or follow Baldwin Park on Facebook (@BaldwinParkCAGov), Instagram (BaldwinPark_CAGov), and Twitter (BaldwinParkCA_)

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