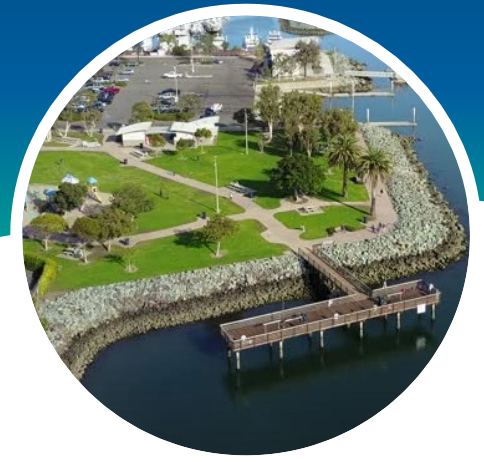


# Please Join Us for a Virtual Workshop!



## Future Expansion of Pepper Park in National City

The Port of San Diego is seeking public input for the future expansion of Pepper Park on the National City Bayfront. This outreach is the Port's latest design effort aimed at establishing a grand vision for Pepper Park. The virtual Community Workshop will be held via Zoom **Thursday, May 6 at 6 p.m.** and will explore design elements for both the existing park and the 2.5-acre future expansion. The team will explore park features and recreation opportunities that will help transform Pepper Park into a resource that both visitors and residents will cherish for years to come. The virtual workshop will be your opportunity to share feedback on potential park features you'd like to see and will include an interactive activity to discuss exciting park ideas.

[May 6 Community Workshop – Click Here to Register](#)

The following information provides a foundation for the workshop and is intended to help you start to think about the features and opportunities you would like to see in the future Pepper Park. Please note, the workshop will also include a summary of the following information, so if you do not have time to review this information, you can still be an active participant!

## Background

In January 2016, the Port and City of National City held public design charrettes to discuss a rebalance of land uses that resulted in a "win-win-win" scenario for the maritime, commercial, and public uses near Pepper Park and the Pier 32 Marina – the resulting land use reconfiguration is referred to as the "Balanced Plan." The Balanced Plan contemplates a reconfiguration of maritime, commercial, and park uses, including an approximately 2.5-acre expansion to (and possible reconfiguration of) the existing 5.2-acre Pepper Park, for a future total of approximately 7.7 acres.

The park expansion (and potential reconfiguration) has not been designed, but the environmental review is underway for the proposed land use changes and the expansion of Pepper Park, based on preliminary park concepts that were shown at the 2016 design charrettes. These preliminary park concepts include:

- Reconfiguration of the existing park layout, which may include a mixture of hardscape (e.g., paved plazas, shade structures) and new landscaping (e.g., landscaped berms, open lawn).
- A small amphitheater (e.g., gazebo, kiosk).
- An interactive fountain/splashground.
- Possible relocation of Granger Hall to Pepper Park to be used for special event space.
- No revisions to the boat launch ramp facility are proposed.



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## Workshop Discussion – Potential Park Features and Recreation Opportunities

During the workshop, we will explore potential park features and recreation opportunities by framing our discussions on the following topics: well-being active improvements (“Things to play on or to exercise with at the park”); passive water experiences (“A place to experience the water”); event supporting improvements (“Things to do at the park”); educational improvements (“Learning from history and the environment”); and access improvements (“The journey to and from the park”).

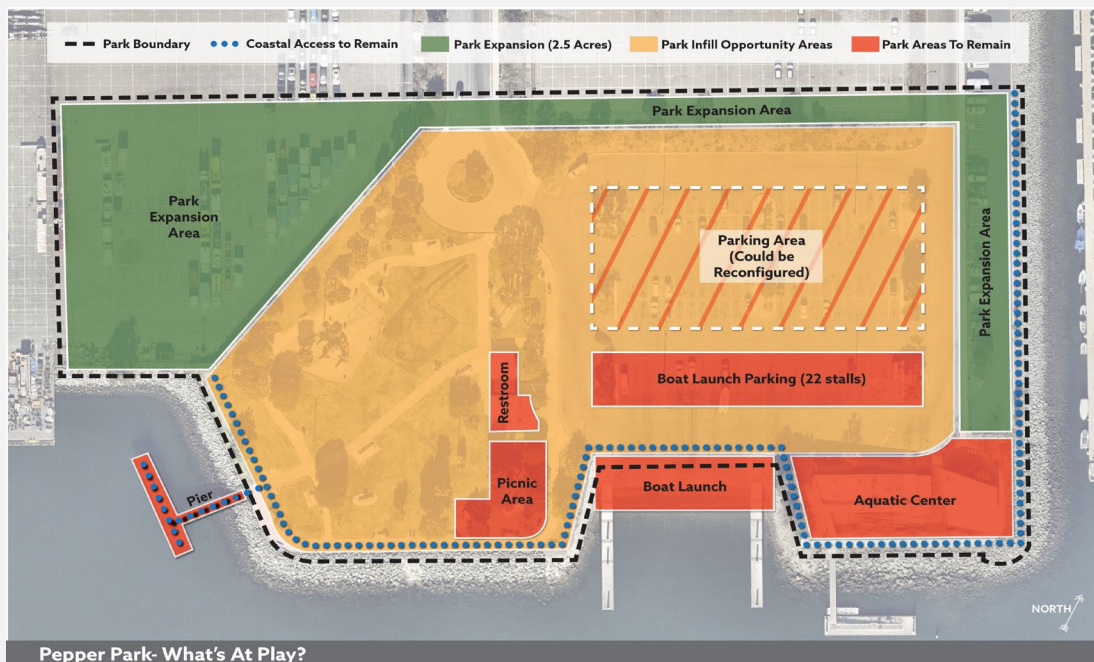
### Things to Consider for the Future Pepper Park

#### Public Trust Doctrine

Pepper Park is located on Port of San Diego land. Uses on Port of San Diego land and water areas are required to be consistent with the [Public Trust Doctrine](#). Under the Public Trust Doctrine, any park use must have a relationship to the water and serve a statewide or regional benefit. As you prepare for the workshop, please keep in mind that any future park features and recreation opportunities would need to be consistent with the Public Trust Doctrine.

#### Areas for Consideration

The following graphic shows which areas of the park are being considered for new features and opportunities. In addition, there are areas that are proposed to remain, including the aquatic center, the restrooms, the boat launch ramp, and a picnic area with fully-grown trees.



We look forward to your participation in the May 6 workshop!

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