

MEMORANDUM

TO: Cottage Grove Planning Commission

FROM: Eric Mongan, City Planner

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING PARKING AT THE PROPOSED DOG PARK

DATE: April 20, 2022

At the April 13th, 2022 Planning Commission Work Session to discuss items to be heard at the April 20, 2022 Public Hearing the Planning Commission asked staff to bring additional information regarding parking for the proposed dog park.

Staff has reviewed the Institute of Transportation Engineers, Trip Generation Manual – 10th Edition to determine what the typical peak hour use of a public dog park is per the ITE Manual. Unfortunately the Manual does not specifically address dog parks as uses rather it lists public parks. For Land Use 411-Public Park the Manual states an AM weekday peak at 0.16 vehicle trips per acre, PM weekday peak of 0.11 per acre, Saturday 1.96 per acre, and Sunday 2.19 per acre. Considering these numbers it appears that the proposed five “on-site” spaces and three “off-site” (high school) spaces would be sufficient to meet the findings on vehicle trips per the ITE.

Staff also looked at other dog parks in the area from Eugene to Sutherland. In Eugene staff looked at Wayne Morris Farm. At Wayne Morris the parking area can accommodate approximately 40 vehicle, but is approximately 500’ from the dog park and serves the other uses at Wayne Morris. Other dog parks in Eugene at Royal and Alton Baker have either on-street parking only or a small gravel lot within walking distance. In Sutherland, the dog park there is approximately the same size as the one proposed here and it has an adjacent gravel lot that accommodates between six and ten vehicles.

In Consideration of the review of the ITE Manual and looking at dog parks within the region staff believes the applicant’s proposal for eight spaces is sufficient for the proposed dog park. That said and as the code allows the determination for adequate parking for uses within the Parks & Recreation Zone is established as none required unless as required through Conditional Use Permit, such as this application.