

# Eureka dog park groundbreaking is slated for June

## Committee kicks off fundraising

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If the old adage that a tired dog is a good dog holds true, Eureka's canine population may be poised for a behavioral makeover.

Construction is poised to break ground next month on the long-planned and highly anticipated Eureka Dog Park, and project proponents are busily embarking on a fundraising campaign. After about 10 years of planning, the project now has all the city permits in place necessary to transform a swath of city-owned property behind the General Hospital campus and north of 23rd Street into a place where Eureka's four-legged, furry friends can safely and legally run free.

"I would anticipate that by mid- to late-summer, they

### IF YOU GO:

**WHAT:** Dog park rummage sale

**WHEN:** 9 a.m. May 22

**WHERE:** 2309 N Street in Eureka

will at least have a working dog park," said Eureka City Councilman Jeff Leonard, who helped with planning for the project. "It may not have all the amenities, but it will be a place for people to take their dogs."

As Leonard alluded, the construction on the park is slated to begin in phases. The master plan ultimately calls for a play areas to accommodate leashed dogs, "free-range" canines and smaller pups, but also contains some more ambitious elements to lend the place the feel of a community park, complete with restrooms, picnic areas



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**Fundraising is set to begin to establish a dog park, with the possible location being the greenway bordered by the Sheriff's Work Alternative Program, the Humboldt County Juvenile detention facility and Zane Middle School in Eureka.**

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