



# Agenda Item Report

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| <b>ITEM TITLE:</b> Staff Report – Parks and Recreation Department Project Updates. (Tony Host Parks Director) |
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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Parks and Recreation Department will provide a staff report highlighting recently completed projects, ongoing initiatives, operational accomplishments, maintenance activities, and upcoming projects throughout the City's park system.

## 2. BACKGROUND/HISTORY

### **Championship Park**

Construction at Championship Park continues to make significant progress. All ball fields have now been fully fenced, and brick installation is underway on the pony walls located at the south softball fields.

The structural steel for the concession building has been completed, and electrical work has begun within the facility. The parking lot subgrade and base preparation have been completed, with paving anticipated in the coming weeks. All parking lot islands and curbs have also been installed.

Work on the maintenance building is advancing, with the contractor currently installing electrical wiring and storage rack systems.

In the north fields, field foundations have been completed, and sod installation is expected to begin within the next few days, weather permitting. The batting cages have been enclosed with fencing, and netting installation is complete. The remaining work includes the installation of the artificial turf surface. Overall, the project continues to move forward with multiple components nearing completion.

### **Garison Park**

The contractor was approved by the council at the June 16, 2026, meeting. We will be scheduling a preconstruction meeting and getting all contract and insurance paperwork executed with an NTP in July. Extra funding from the purchase of Eastside Park was moved to this project to fill the delta in the budget for construction.

### **Green Belt**

The City of Buda and the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) are currently working on an agreement related to the Depot project, which is under construction in the downtown area. The facility is being developed as a small business incubator designed to support entrepreneurs and foster local economic growth. Upon completion, the City shall be responsible for maintenance, repair, and replacement of the plaza and greenbelt grounds, parking areas, sidewalks, irrigation systems, and landscaping. These responsibilities may be assigned to Parks staff, as the Greenbelt is a City park. There is also consideration being given to outsourcing these functions through the Facilities Division. Staff will continue to coordinate with City and EDC representatives as the project progresses toward completion.

**City Park Playground-** Council approved Option 1 for construction and staying under budget. They did speak of the zipline for a future project and possibly a swing set. We will get the contract executed and look forward to the project starting in the fall.

### **City Park Phase II-**

City Park Phase II continues to progress, with several key improvements either completed or underway. The new parking lot has been completed and is fully operational for public use. A Notice to Proceed (NTP) has been issued to Fencecrete for the fabrication and installation of more than 1,500 linear feet of split-rail fencing throughout the project area. The amphitheater backdrop has been ordered and delivered and is being prepared for installation. Staff is currently evaluating options for permanent hard-wired lighting within the park and is awaiting additional pricing information. A proposal has also been received for solar lighting along the trail located behind the wastewater treatment plant with anticipated installation before July 4. In addition, Parks Department staff is working collaboratively on the design of an ADA-accessible ramp that will improve connectivity between the main lawn area and the pavilion, enhancing accessibility and park usability for all visitors.

### **3. ANALYSIS**

Staff will provide updates regarding completed and ongoing projects, which may include:  
Championship Park (Sportsplex) construction progress.  
Garison Park Capital Improvement Project updates.  
City Park Phase II improvements.  
Trail and park maintenance projects.  
Recreation programming and special events.  
Equipment acquisitions and facility improvements.  
Park operations and maintenance accomplishments.

### **4. FINANCIAL IMPACT**

N/A

### **5. STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS**

FUN EXPERIENCES FOR ALL

### **6. STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVES**

Organizational Excellence and Transparency

### **7. PROS AND CONS**

#### **Pros**

Keeps the Commission informed of departmental activities and accomplishments.  
Provides transparency regarding project status and park operations.  
Encourages communication between staff and Commissioners.  
Allows Commissioners to remain informed on current and future initiatives.

### **8. ALTERNATIVES**

### **9. REQUESTED ACTION / SUGGESTED MOTION / RECOMMENDATION**

### **Attachments:**