Park & Recreation Commission Item

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Item	Park Maintenance Quarterly Report
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Agenda Section	**REPORTS**
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SUGGESTED ACTION

SUMMARY

With another winter season coming to an end, here is a brief update on what park maintenance crews have been working on and what's next.

- Maintenance staff completed all routine maintenance on our small equipment fleet, including mowers, weed whips, backpack blowers, etc. Recent warm temps have allowed staff to get out in the field and start our spring operations.

- As warm weather continues, crews have been busy with facility start-ups. The skate park has been cleaned out and is getting quite a bit of use. All tennis/pickleball nets have been deployed for the season; it's been great to see the residents out and using the park system.

- With very little snow accumulation throughout the winter, crews have been able to spend time pruning and clearing trees throughout the park system, primarily focused on community parks and high-priority trails.

- As a part of the new civic campus project, maintenance staff have been tasked with removing the existing hockey rink at City Center park. Once the ice season was officially over, crews immediately started the process of disassembling and storing the boards and fencing.

- This spring we will be deploying a new robotic lawn mower and robotic field striping equipment. The mower will be stationed at the Chanhassen Recreation Center, an area that typically requires 2-3 staff members to maintain. The robotic line striper will greatly reduce staff involvement, typically, the field setup and initial painting require 4-5 staff members and takes roughly a week to complete.

- Park Foreman, Gary Berg has been working to hire seasonal staff for the upcoming 2025 season. Typically, 18-20 crew members are hired each season.

- The park maintenance team is looking forward to a great 2025 season, looking forward to seeing all of you out in the park system.

BACKGROUND

DISCUSSION

RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS