

Council Meeting: August 20, 2026	Prepared By: Jessica Christensen Buck, Parks and Recreation Manager
Topic: Parks, Recreation, and Trails Update	Action Required: Information Only

Summary

Program Coordinator: Amelia has been doing a great job this summer with heavy involvement in youth soccer and baseball. Additionally, she was an integral part of Night to Unite planning and helped to make the planning process smooth! As she wraps up her summer here, we wish her the best back at school.

Heritage Park Construction: Landscaping, bench installation, and hydroseeding have been taking place at the park. The building is close to completion, with the linear wood ceiling, cameras/IT work, and final touches being worked on. Final parking lot paving is anticipated for sometime mid-to-late September.

Heritage Park Playground: The playground had a ribbon cutting, allowing families to experience the new agricultural themed playground. Currently, while construction is finishing up on site, the public is asked to remain out of the playground area before 5:30 pm on weekdays to allow the work to finish without intrusion. During the weekend, families are invited to utilize the playground anytime within park hours.

Night to Unite: Estimated at 1,200 people in attendance at Public Works for the City Party and 20 registered neighborhood parties, Night to Unite took place on Tuesday, August 4. The event was well attended, with special thanks to Program Coordinator Zdechlik, Community Service Officer Reisner, and Officer Hoffman for their hard work in planning and coordinating the event.

Bark in the Park: Taking place on Friday, September 11 from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Bark in the Park will be hosted at Heritage Park. Registration for vendors to participate is currently open and can be found here: <https://app.seemylegacy.com/community/1278/campaign/8198/overview>

Youth Athletics: Summer soccer is wrapping up, with fall baseball starting up behind it. Program Coordinator Zdechlik has been on-site for the soccer season to assist with any program needs. Additionally, she has created teams and prepped the fall baseball season.

City Council Updates

June 25, 2026

- Heritage Park Improvements - Pay Request #8 (Sitework)
 - Payment to Fehn Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$104,497.63.
- Heritage Park Remaster - Change Order #18
 - Painting the six exposed tension rods in the main gathering room for \$652.61.

July 9, 2026

- Wayfinding Policy and Sign Designs
 - Council approved the Wayfinding Policy and design of the sign family, with direction for staff to procure quotes for signage at Heritage Park and Wildflower Park.
- Heritage Park Update
 - Council determined the date and time for the ribbon cutting at Heritage Park for the playground.
- Charter and Parks and Trails Commissioner Recommendations
 - Recommendations for the Parks and Trails Commissioner vacancies were provided. More information will be given during the August 20, 2026 meeting.

July 23, 2026

- Heritage Park Improvements - Pay Request 9 (Sitework)
 - Payment to Fehn Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$104,606.79.
- Heritage Park Improvements - Pay Request #11 (Building)

- Payment to Valint Construction Services in the amount of \$264,919.10.
- Heritage Park Building Survey & Reservation Agreement
 - Council provided guidance to staff regarding the draft reservation agreement.

Council Action