



**Division Report: Operation
Deputy Director: Justin Dorsey**

Parks Commission Meeting

November 2024

- **Highlights and Achievements**

- Urban Forestry has removed three dead trees at Oakland Cemetery, trimmed up 12 more trees with the bucket truck and removed all the debris. Currently they are working on 9th St Park and Boyle Park.
- The mowing crews did a great job prepping Pankey and Boyle Park for opening.
- Horticulture has been working hard catching up on flower bed rehab at all the Community Centers.
- Downtown District has been working on Riverfront Park irrigation repair.
- Allsopp North Trail Project – Project is soon to begin. Working on Pop-up date to have meeting with contractor and community.
- SWCC Renovation-Preconstruction meeting 10.30.24. After this meeting work will begin soon.
- Boyle Park Pavilions- The chimney on #2 was struck by lightning at some point and has been repaired. The Roofs on pavilion 1,2 and spring house have all be replaced.
- Boyle Playground installation is complete. The grand opening was held on 10.30.24.
- Boyle Park Bike Trail- Project complete with a few miscellaneous items to complete.
- Work at Stephens Community Center- Work is progressing very nicely. The gym painting will be completed by Oct 31st. The gym floor refinishing will start on Oct 30th. Floors in classrooms are being sanded to lay down new flooring.
- Two Rivers Trail Paving- The ARDOT Letter of Concurrence is pending, and contract should be done soon.
- West Central Parking lot has been striped and parking barriers are in place.
- Kiwanis trail paving project is completed.
- Kiwanis Playground- Fonroche lights ordered, playground 70% completed.
- East Little Rock Construction-Progressing. The pool is filled in and demo of outside structures is in progress.
- Dunbar Roofing Repairs completed. Building services are currently working on inside repairs of sheetrock and paint.



"A City In A Park"

- Dunbar parking lot 90% complete.
- Kanis Park Street Mapping Project - Staff are working with vendors to get pricing for this area.

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- **Marketing/Communications**

- Stephens Community Center Gym is closed currently for two weeks while refinishing floors.

- **Personnel Updates**

- Two Maintenance II positions on Mow Crew have been posted online.
 - Two Maintenance Seniors start Nov 4.
 - A new Welder has started on Construction Crew, Kyle Jones.
 - Maintenance Support Sr. Worker placed into Preboarding, Taylor Chastain.
 - Have one Sr. Position in Maintenance Support to interview and hire.
 - Have two Construction Worker positions to interview and hire. Currently we are working on interview dates.