



Parks Commission Meeting
September 2023

Division Report: Operation

Deputy Director: Justin Dorsey

Maintenance Division:

- Completed setup for Multiple Events at War Memorial
 - Salt Bowl and Razorback Game
 - Preformed detail maintenance, setup and cleanup. All Maintenance divisions assisted with this work.
- TrailBlazers Bike Program
 - Trails Division trained with TrailBlazers Bike Program to provide education for program users. The Program offers children ages 6-12 the opportunity to learn to safely ride bicycles.
- Trails Division completed construction of a new connecting Trail at Rose Creek
- Trails Division is overseeing the start of construction on the Boyle Park Mountain Bike Project.
- Urban Forestry finished their work at War Memorial and has continued dead tree removal from various parks.
- Landscape Division is in the process of rehabbing all Community Center flower beds. They are replacing plants that did not survive the summer heat, refreshing mulch and trimming existing landscape.
- Downtown Division continues work on Main Street. They have recently painted and rehabbed several more old concrete planters.

Design Division:

- Completed Bid documents for the Allsopp North Bike Trails, submitted to ARDOT for Authority to Advertise and received ARDOT approval. We are getting this project out to BID.
- Working on Site plan for Bond projects (Boyle, Kiwanis, Pankey). Set date for community Pop Up Meetings, and finalized possible playground designs.
 - Kiwanis (Sept 14th 4-6pm), Pankey (Aug 17th 5-6pm)-Meeting went very well. We received very positive feedback from the community about the project. We have started the purchase and construction planning phase.
- DCI is on the Little Rock Planning Commission Agenda for Sept 14th for the Jonesboro Rezoning.
- Monitoring Kanis Park Project
- Working with firms on 5 Community Center Projects
- Completed Bid for Murry Pavilions (Work Complete by Meeting Date)
- Hindman and Boyle Parks - Design and Bid various projects – Parking lot paving projects, install accessible walks and trails
- Restroom for Western Hills is ordered. Delivery is expected to be 2-3 months. Finalizing permits and completing site plans for preparations.
- Started Design on New Archery Range
- Filled the vacant Park Planner position. (James Short Park Planner II)



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Operations/Improvement:

- Riverfront Treehouse Boardwalk project is ongoing
- Interstate Road Project underway
- MacArthur Pond Improvements Completed
- War Memorial Boulders on North Lawn Entry on Monroe