



Division Report: Operation

Deputy Director: Justin Dorsey

Parks Commission Meeting

March 2024

Maintenance Division:

- **Urban Forestry:** Contractor completed tree planting at Murray Park East and West entrances. Spent over a week at Kiwanis Park preparing for the new playground, clearing underbrush and removing trees that impede the new trail.
- **Trails Division:** Trails Coordinator Jamie Frey started Monday February 26.
- **Parks Maintenance:** Cleaned pavilion roofs off at Murray Park, cleanup was done to parking lot at Kanis Park. Due to warm conditions, have started mowing parks for winter weeds. Delivered supplies for Marathon Setup.
- **Landscape Division:** Ballfield Maintenance at Interstate Park including rehabbing infields and base replacement. Delivering soil and mulch to community gardens. Spring updates for landscaping at War Memorial Gateway. Working with Little Rock Garden Club on tree donations.
- **Downtown Special District:** Landscape cleanout and maintenance in Riverfront and Main St District. Cleanup of areas around MacArthur Park including Bioswale. Cleanup of graffiti in park, has been especially intense the last month.

Design Division:

- Progress continues at Jim Daily Fitness Center. Old units and duct work are removed.
- Allsopp North Bike Trail had one successful bid. We are moving forward on working with Contractor to begin work by end of summer.
- Crump Bleachers are installed at the Basketball Courts.
- Interstate Park signs have been installed and minor carpentry work has been completed.
- Panky Park work to begin soon in preparation of new playground and Pavilion.
- Boyle Park Downhill Mountain Bike trails are complete. Work continues on single track and installation of signage.
- South West Community Center Pool Work to begin soon to replace sand Filter.



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Operations/Improvement:

- Riverfront Treehouse Boardwalk project is nearing completion with new paint being done currently and final welding being done.
- Two Sculptures have been sent for repair.
- Riverfront Junction Bridge construction is ongoing in preparation of new sculpture. Footers are scheduled to be poured in the next two weeks.
- We are currently working with Entergy to fix numerous lights in several of our parks including Boyle and Murry. Many of these have been completed.
- Repairs to the retaining wall are being made at Allsop Promenade.
- Work is being completed at West Central to open up lots along John Barrow and the house in that area is on schedule to be demolished.
- Kanis Ball Courts are still in progress and hope to be completed as soon as electrical can be set. Basketball goals are in place.
- Crews continue to take down Marathon Fencing and Barrels that have been set out over the last two weeks.