



Division Report: Operation

Deputy Director: Justin Dorsey

Parks Commission Meeting

December 2023

Maintenance Division:

- **Urban Forestry:** Has been working on tree removal and limb trimming at multiple parks including Hindman along the drive to the Pro Shop, Crump Park and Boyle Park. They have also responded to numerous request around the City to trim around various street lights
- **Trails Division:** We are still currently performing trails maintenance with other assigned staff in the absence of a Trails Crew. We have completed Interviews and a hopefully will have a Trails Supervisor on staff soon to begin filling other positions.
- **Parks Maintenance:** We are mowing our low maintenance or Blue Zones in parks and continuing tree limb cleanup. We are also working on sweeping our parking lots, mulching leaves, liter pick up as well as other task that we could not spend as much time on during mowing season. Specific parks such as Curran Conway, Granite Heights, Kanis, Boyle, Hindman and Union.
- **Landscape Division:** We are finished winterizing and removing our RPZ's and are wrapping up our Fall flower bed rehab. We cleaned out the flower beds at War Memorial Gateway, Terry House, Cedar Hill, and Animal Village. We put up the Christmas Tree at Heights Promenade.
- **Downtown Special District:** We finished Fall flower bed rehab, as well as are finalizing mulch work, landscape, including boulder placement, on Main St. Cleaned Heights Promenade, Hillcrest Promenade. Continuous work on leaf removal in Riverfront Park. We have also spent several days moving furniture in City Hall as required by construction and office moves.

Design Division:

- Jim Daly HVAC project approved by City Board resolution. Working with City Attorney on Contract.
- Allsopp North Bike Trail had one successful bid. We are reviewing the bid and will work with ARDOT to verify all specifications are correct and then will work to move the project forward in January.
- Design Team is designing a new Stone walk path at City Hall to enhance the landscaping
- Design Division is working on designing and ordering new signs for Interstate Park



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Operations/Improvement:

- Riverfront Treehouse Boardwalk project is ongoing but making progress. Boardwalk tread is almost complete. Metal welded handrail sections must be manufactured in the shop and are 50% complete.
- Interstate Road Project is nearing completion. Still awaiting speed bumps, final curb work and some road markings.
- Crump Park concrete pads and Bleachers at Basketball Court will be installed soon.
- Boyle Park Bike trails are approximately 40 %
- Western Hills site work complete and utilities are being installed for restroom delivery. We have a delivery date of January 9th.
- Completed Demolition of destroyed Restroom and Playground at Reservoir Park.
- We are currently working with Entergy to fix numerous lights in several of our parks including Boyle and Murry.
- Currently processing and working through the Bond funds for Park Amenities. Currently we have process orders for Cheatem Park and Murry Park. We have Bids out for Allsopp and Interstate currently and will process those next. After those the next parks we will look at are Western Hills, Richland Park, Butler and Centennial Park
- We are also currently in the process on moving a few sculptures in Riverfront Park and sending a few off for repair.
- We are working with LRPD to get cameras connected to the RTCC. Asher, Jim Dailey, Rebsamen and Landscape are completed.