



Parks Commission Meeting

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Division Report: Operation

Deputy Director: Justin Dorsey

"A City In A Park"

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Maintenance Division:

- **Urban Forestry:** Have been working on tree removal and limb trimming at multiple parks including Pinedale Cove Park and Birchwood Park. As well as continuing with stump grinding at Murray from tornado damage as time allows.
- **Trails Division:** The Trails Coordinator and the one full time trails employee both resigned to take new jobs. We are working on replacing these positions. We have made modifications to other staff job assignments to help cover trails maintenance.
- **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.
- **Landscape Division:** We are currently winterizing and removing our RPZ's and continuing our Fall flower bed rehab.
- **Downtown Special District:** We started Fall flower bed rehab, as well as began mulch work, landscape, including boulder placement, on Main St.

Design Division:

- Jim Daly HVAC had one
- Property on Jonesboro Drive officially changed zoning to PR
- Allsopp North Bike Trail is currently out to Bid
- Working with Lockeby to get Stevens Community Center out to Bid by January
- Designing and preparing specification for various Park entry signs
- Working with firms on 4 other Community Center Projects

Operations/Improvement:

- Riverfront Treehouse Boardwalk project is ongoing but nearing completion
- Interstate Road Project is nearing completion.
- Crump Park Basketball Goals installed
- Crump Park concrete pads and Bleachers at Basketball Court will be installed soon.
- Boyle Park Bike trails are approximately 25 %
- Carpentry improvements to The Hostel at MacArthur Park Completed
- Christmas Tree put up Downtown at Main & Capitol.