

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** August 1, 2022
SUBJECT: Parks Capital Projects Update
PRESENTER: Michael Wilson, Park Planning Manager

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Mr. Michael Wilson will present an update on Parks Capital Projects.

NRH Active Transportation Projects for Trails/ On-Road

This project will provide for the implementation of recommendations identified in the City Wide Trail and Route System study addressing safety enhancements at street crossings, warning signs and markings, 911 response location signs and trail and route connections. The recommendations for implementation are all designed to provide safe, friendly on-street bicycle transportation throughout the City.

- Select Maintenance, LLC is nearing completion of both the Cotton Belt Trail connection across Precinct Line Rd and the intersection of Mid Cities Blvd and Iron Horse Blvd. In recent weeks, work has also been focused on installing signage and Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons for the John Barfield Trail crossings at Rumfield Rd and Kirk Lane.

Green Valley Raceway Historical Area

This project provides for the design and construction of a historical plaza adjacent to North Tarrant Parkway, east of Smithfield Road where the John Barfield Trail meanders through what once was the Green Valley Raceway. Proposed amenities include an attractive pedestrian and bicycle plaza with benches, trash receptacles and signage with information and photographs that celebrate the rich history of a bygone era in North Richland Hills.

- The Conceptual Master Plan for the Green Valley Raceway has been updated and is currently being reviewed by City Management. Current revenue for the project is a combination of Park Fund Reserves, Sales Tax and donations for a total of \$155,717. For more information about the project, please access the following link.
<https://www.nrhgreenvalleyraceway.com/>

Richfield Park Tennis/Pickleball Court Replacement

This project provides for the replacement of the Richfield Park tennis court. With more than 40 years in service, significant spalling, cracking and foundation movement are presenting uneven surfaces, creating trip hazards that resurfacing will not correct to allow

for safe play. The project will include replacing the existing, partially fenced double court with a fully fenced tennis court and 4 fenced pickleball courts. The existing lights will be preserved.

- T Bar Fence and Tennis Courts was delivered a Notice To Proceed on June 30 and are required to be 'substantially complete' by September 13. The contractor plans to pour the post-tensioned concrete slab on July 20. Once the concrete has adequately cured, they will move forward with installation of connecting sidewalks, irrigation, fencing, and court surfacing.

FY 2021/2022 NEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Adventure World Playground Phase 2

This project provides for the addition of a small park pavilion near the playground along with the addition of a sprinkler system along Starnes Rd, near the parking lot, restroom and playground area.

- A New Deal Irrigation Co. was selected in June as the irrigation installer at Adventure World Playground. Beginning July 11, the playground was closed during weekdays while the irrigation installation was taking place. Work is scheduled to be completed by July 20. Park operations staff has also procured an 18'X30' Pavilion that will be installed in an upper pod, across from the Woodland Excursion landing. Due to supply chain issues, the lead time on the Pavilion is between 7 and 9 months. In the meantime, Park planning staff will design the pavilion pad and connecting sidewalks.

Cross Timbers Park Playground Replacement with Shade

This project provides for the replacement of the playground at Cross Timbers Park which will include a shade structure.

- A Request for Proposals to replace playground equipment at Cross Timbers Park has been posted to Public Purchase with responses due July 21 at 2 p.m. Each respondent is allowed to submit up to two unique playground designs. In the coming weeks a 5 person selection committee will meet to review the proposals and rank them based on criteria within the RFP documents.

Park Infrastructure Maintenance 2022

This project provides for maintenance of park infrastructure in response to use, age, damage, and safety. The FY2022 priorities and cost estimates include: Fall safe material replacement at multiple playgrounds (\$45,000), park concrete replacement at Green Valley, Cotton Belt Trail, and the North Electric Trail (\$25,000), sport field renovations (\$20,000), rubberized play surface repairs at Adventure World (\$10,000), drinking fountain replacements (\$16,000), parking lot striping at Green Valley, Walker's Creek, Cross Timbers Richfield and Liberty Parks (\$20,000), dumpster enclosure construction

(\$24,000), east dog park fence replacement (\$20,000), Norich Park drainage repairs (\$12,000) and park furniture replacement (\$15,000).

- Staff is in the process of obtaining pricing for several projects as listed above.
- Remaining sports field renovations (infield conditioning) are scheduled for August
- Cotton Belt Trail repairs are scheduled for September.
- Parking lot striping, dumpster enclosure construction, and dog park fence replacement have been completed.

Partial Playground Replacement

This project provides for the replacement of a portion of playground equipment at Clyde Zellers, Kay Granger, Tommy and Sue Brown and Legacy Parks.

- Replacement pieces have been installed at Kay Granger and Clyde Zellers Parks. Pieces for other parks have been ordered and will be installed when they arrive. The lead times on various replacement pieces are nearly 9 months.

Richland Tennis Center Infrastructure Maintenance

This project provides for the maintenance of the Richland Tennis Center infrastructure in response to use and age. The FY2022 funding will provide for replacement of players bench awnings, replacement of player's bench seats, and the repair of damaged concrete located on the exterior of the main building on the south side.

- Whirlix Design, Inc. completed installation of the new awnings over the player's benches at the Richland Tennis Center. The original worn awnings were green and have been replaced with blue fabric which is consistent with other shade structures in the RTC. This project is complete.

Northfield Drive Sidewalk Connection From Davis Blvd to Northfield Park

This project will provide for the construction of a 6' wide sidewalk along Northfield Drive from Davis Blvd eastward to the John Barfield Trail in Northfield Park.

- City staff is in the process of hiring a professional services consultant to provide a topographic survey of the planned route. Adjacent businesses (Jerry's Paw Spa and House of Grace Church) have also been notified about the upcoming construction project.

City Point Trail Development in Oncor Easement

This project will provide for the design and construction of a 10' wide multi-use trail in the Oncor easement just west of the City Point development from Glenview Drive northward to an existing 6' wide residential pedestrian trail adjacent to City Point Phase 2 along Blvd 26.

- Park Planning Staff has discussed the project with Oncor representatives and is currently developing a Request for Qualifications as a next step towards hiring a professional services consultant.