# Parks & Recreation Update February 2025

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## **General Updates**

#### **Community Center:**

- Final version of project manual was submitted to USDA for state architect review.
  - Sent to USDA 2/7/2025 and submitted to State Architect on 2/11/2025.
  - State Architect reviewed and approved Project Manual 2/19/2025. Should have a follow-up email from USDA to schedule the pre-construction conference.

#### **Rec Programs:**

- MVYBA:
  - Reviewed by city staff and attorneys. Changes have been agreed upon by MVYBA.
  - City staff is continuing to work with MVYBA on ways to help the transition.

#### **City Parks:**

- Lions Park- Splash Pad:
  - Working with Advanced Aquatics on next steps to clear lines and get the splash pad 100% operational.
    - Staff will work in conjunction with Advanced Aquatics to ensure the splash pad is up and operational before summertime.



#### MEMO

#### Lion's Park- Splash Pad

#### Current Status:

• Currently only operating at 50%

#### **Repairs:**

- The City of Castroville- Parks & Recreation Department will work in conjunction with Advanced Aquatics on making the appropriate repairs.
- The City of Castroville will assist and provide equipment to help remove necessary water features. Once the troubled water features have been removed, Advanced Aquatics will inspect(camera) the line and look for the cause of the blockage.

#### Cost Estimates:

- Advanced Aquatics estimated that the initial cost would be around \$650, costs can increase depending on the severity.
  - Low Severity: Cleaning out and clearing clogged lines
  - High Severity: Removal & replacement of clogged lines not limited to but may include concrete replacement.

#### Repair Timeline:

- The projected timeline is based on the severity of the damage & the associated repairs.
  - Advanced Aquatics plans to begin work after the heaters have been installed. Work is projected to begin 2/28/2025.

Advanced Aquatics

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City of Castroville- Parks & Recreation



#### MEMO

#### **Regional Park Swimming Pool- Heaters**

#### Current Status:

• Currently only operating at 25%

#### **Repairs:**

• Advanced Aquatics will be replacing Heater #2 and Heater #3 the week of March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025. With this repair, the heating capacity of the pool will increase up to 100%.

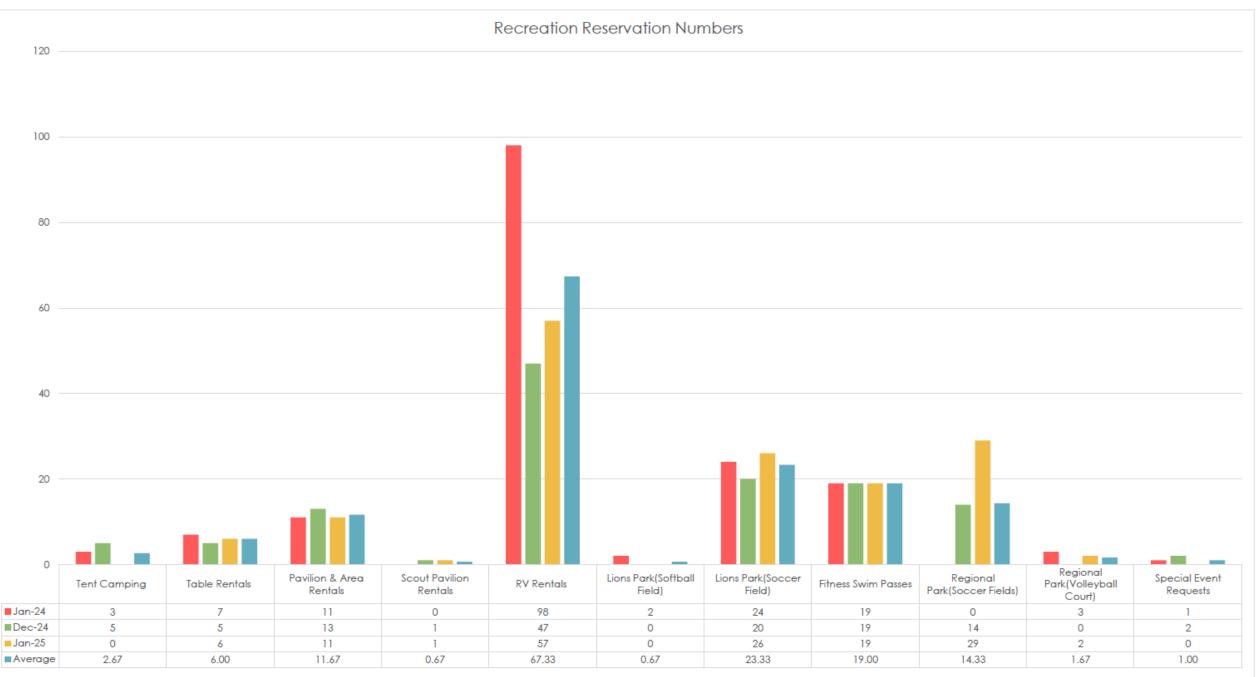
#### Cost Estimates:

• The City of Castroville will not incur any costs with the replacement of Heater #2 and #3. The Parks & Recreation Department will provide pool time for Lifeguard Training hosted by Advanced Aquatics. Advanced Aquatics plans to host ten (10) classes lasting two (2) days each.

#### Repair Timeline:

- Heater #2 and #3 ordered week of 2/18/2025 and have a five (5) day turnaround time.
- Advanced Aquatics projects to have the heaters installed on 2/27/2025 should everything go as planned.

Advanced Aquatics of Texas, LLC



Jan-24 Dec-24 Jan-25 Average

## Work Order Report



Monthly Work Order Report Breakdown

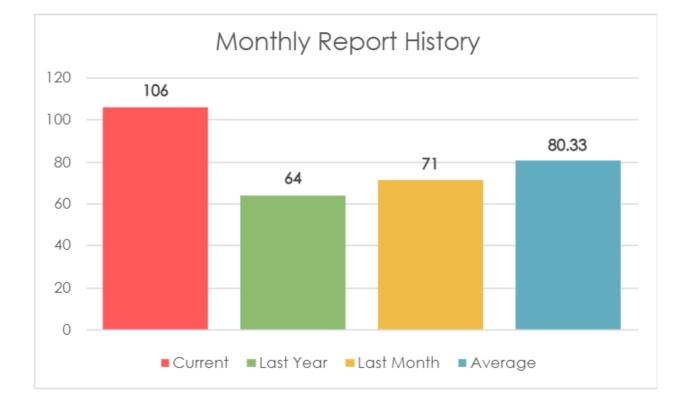
Facilities And Parks Monthly Report January 1 - January 31, 2025

Total Number of Work Orders:



Total Facilities Work Orders: 40 Total Parks Work Orders:

Breakdo	own	Facilities:	Parks:	Total:
300	Water Leak(Potable Water)			0
500	City Parks Maintenance		7	7
501	City Building Maintenance	28	1	29
505	Equipment Repairs & Maintenance		1	1
506	Flags			0
507	Replace Flags			0
510	Regional Park Maintenance		15	15
515	RV Park Maintenance	1	2	3
520	Swimming Pool Maintenance	3	5	8
530	Lions Park Maintenance		15	15
535	Splash Pad Maintenance			0
599	Misc. Facilities & Parks		12	12
801	Weeds/Overgrown Brush			0
802	Mowing & Weedeating		1	1
804	Barricades			0
806	Tree Issue(Trim & Clear)			0
819	Misc. Streets			0
900	Event Support			0
902	Services Request/City Dept		1	1
977	Vehicle Inspection & Maintenance			0
978	Vehicle & Equipment Maintenance		1	1
988	Animal Control	1		1
0	Micellaneous	7	5	12



## Facilities Update:

#### • City Hall:

- Replacement and installation of new window unit for Accounts Payable Office.
- Hanging of various artwork throughout building.
- Miscellaneous facilities maintenance.

#### • Library:

- Removal and installation of new Library sign.
- Restrooms refresh:
  - Covering old wallpaper
  - Repaint restroom to liven up colors.

#### • RV Park:

- Installation of concrete footer to prevent and address rusting at base of RV Park- Recreation Hall.
- Installation of new toilets in RV Park Restrooms.



## Grants 101

### **Federal Grants & Resources**

### • Grants.gov

- $\circ$  Learn about grants
- $\circ$  Search grants
- $\odot \operatorname{Applicant}$  information
- $\circ$  Etc.

### Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

- <u>Texas A&M Agrilife Extension</u>
  - $\circ$  Home & about
  - $\circ$  Resources
    - Current & past grant opportunities
  - $\circ$  Technical assistance

## Park & Rec Update:



### **City Parks:**

Regional Park:

- Medina Riverbed sediment clean out.
- Repainting of gates throughout park.
- Bexar branches alliance tree planting is scheduled for March 8, 2025.



### **RV Park:**

Addition of new patio furniture for RV Park residents.

Maintenance to laundromat dryer units.



**Other:** 

**Christmas Decorations** 

- Removed and stored for next Christmas
- Coordination with the Chamber of Commerce and Public Works on how to improve for this year.



Date: March 8th Time: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Location: 816 Alsace Ave, Castroville, TX 78009

Join Bexar Branches Alliance and the City of Castroville Parks Department as we plant trees to provide shade, habitat, and nourishment for this vibrant community space. This project is made possible with support from Microsoft and American Forests.

Come dig in and make a lasting impact!

Scan to volunteer!







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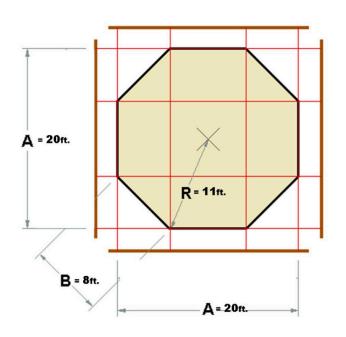


Proposal By: Carly, Evelyn, and Brooke

## **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

Stay Active is a project focused on helping people to break bad habits and enjoy healthy competition. For our project we will build a gaga ball pit at Regional Park (and possibly Lions Park). The gaga ball pit will provide a place where people can bond over a fun sport. We will host a grand opening and tournament to teach people about the rules and the importance of staying active.







## LOCATION



## DIMENSIONS

we would like to use the space near the trees and the bathrooms.

### Site Overlay & Possible Locations



### \*\*Not To Scale





## OUR GOAL

Cost

Funds raised

Project requirements

Benefits

We want to have a fun place where kids can engage in friendly competition.

> The total cost with treated wood, splinter guards, and colorful steel corners is about \$1,388 per pit.

> We have been soliciting donations from companies and individuals. So far we have raised \$2,020 out of our goal of \$3,000.

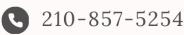
To earn our silver award project, we must work a minimum of 50 hours. Our project must be sustainable.

Having a gaga ball pit in Regional Park is something for the soccer kid's siblings to do and a fun place for kids to socialize.



# THANK YOU!

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