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Memorandum

TO: City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission
From: Adam Huehnergath, Parks and Recreation Manager
RE: Monthly Directors Report April 2024
CC: Mick Michel, City Administrator
Date: May 20, 2024

Aquatic Center:

The pool has been filed and the chemical balancing is underway. All of the moving parts have come together and the pool is scheduled to open Saturday, May 25th. The lifeguards were all certified the last couple weekends and I think we have a good crew. We are training the facility assistants Thursday. Early morning swim will start the second week for five days a week this year. Swimming lesson sign up was efficient as most patrons now reserve their spot online and are on track to start Monday, June 3rd.

Trees Forever Grant:

With the help of the Lions Club, Xavier students and engaged residents, we planted 24 trees around the parks with the majority placed at Candy Cane Park. The difference in shade and look especially around the eastern part of that park will be substantial in years to come. Our Trees Forever field coordinator Bri Hull did a wonderful job explaining and teaching the proper way to plant and care for the new trees to the crew assembled.

Field of Dreams Tournaments:

The FoD tournaments start this Saturday, May 25th. They will run for 10 weeks through the summer. The number of teams this summer is higher this year especially the first two weeks and the weeks around the 4th of July. Our parks will be very busy starting Friday afternoons. We have two new summer help employees. One starting today and the other May 28th. They will be a great help in getting all seven diamonds ready all weekend, picking up garbage and cleaning bathrooms. It is apparent the last few years that those items can represent our community's first impressions. I work closely with our vendors on mowing, port-o-potties and garbage pick up to keep everything nice.

Tennis/Basketball Courts:

The finishing touches on the resurfacing of the tennis and basketball courts should be done soon. The new nets for tennis/pickleball have been ordered and will be put in place hopefully soon. The new configuration for the racquet facility up by the Aquatic Center will have one dedicated tennis court on the East side and two Pickleball courts running north/south on the west side.