

## **City of Independence - Strategic Planning Project Information Sheet**

**Project Title:** Jaycee Park Playground Replacement

**Department:** Parks & Recreation Department

**Contact Person:** Bob Beatty – Parks & Recreation Director

1. Estimated Total Cost: \$55,000 (asking City for \$46,000)
2. Project Timeline: Proposed 2026-2027 Budget – Build late summer/fall of 2026
3. Project Description:

Replace the current playset. This playground was purchased from the school district (\$1.00) after it was already moved and reassembled from the Rowley school when that closed. The estimated age is close to 40 years. It has become worn and closer to a safety risk than an enjoyable part of the park.

4. Project Justification / Community Benefit:

This is the last upgrade to Jaycee Park and the NE/SE part of town. The court has been renovated; usage is very high and increasing. The shelter has got a facelift with a metal roof, painting, and new side rails. The swing set is also nicely updated. The playground has served the community well for its \$1.00 purchase price, but it is now time for replacement.

5. Key Dependencies or Potential Roadblocks:

The only roadblock is funding. Likely to save money, the IPRD and Street Staff will help with installation. Grant funding to enhance the project will be necessary.