

City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Commission

Department Report July 11, 2024



Parks and Natural Resources Updates

- Summer Celebration prep- crews have been busy the last few weeks doing vegetation work, clean up and event set up for the big weekend!
- Water Conservation- Water use in the parks has been drastically reduced this season. We are taking it day by day based on community usage. Minimal watering to provide safe athletic fields and prevent die off of more recent plantings. You will notice many lawn areas going brown this summer
- Swim Beach Improvements- Invasive milfoil removed recently at Groveland and Luther, installing updated signage and other safety improvements at the swim beaches







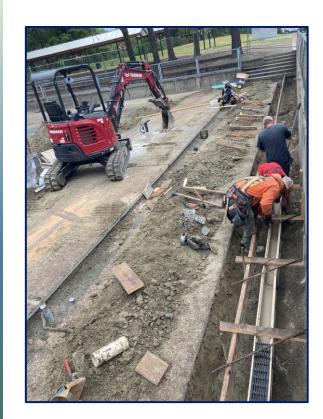




Luther Burbank Sports Court Renovation

- Last week, the contractor finished installing a new trench drain system on the east side of the courts.
- After drainage work is completed, the courts will be cleaned and prepped for paving.
- Asphalt paving is anticipated in the coming weeks.
- The project remains on schedule. Updates and additional photos are available on Let's Talk.

letstalk.mercergov.org/lbp-sport-courts-renovation-pickleball





Luther Burbank Boiler Building

- Crews completed installing new roofing this week.
- Crews have been pouring concrete for the interior chimney reinforcement this week.
- Concrete will be poured in multiple "lifts" to limit the loading on the masonry exterior.
- Electrical rough-in continues, including new lighting for the ground floor.
- Painting of the restrooms is anticipated later in July.

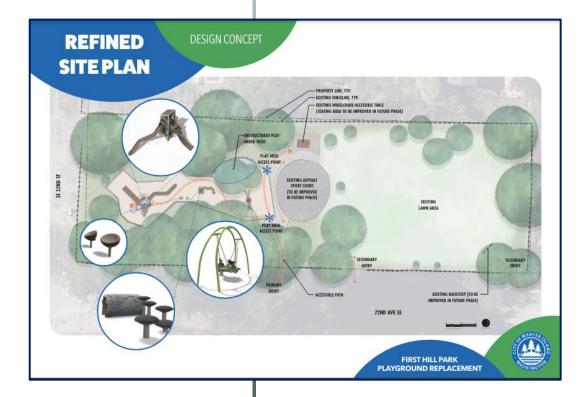




First Hill Park Playground Replacement

- The comment period for equipment selection and the site plan wrapped up on July 8.
- Community feedback gathered is being used to finalize the equipment selection and play area design.

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Shakespeare in the Park

- The Two Gentleman of Verona @ the Luther Burbank Amphitheater.
- Run's June 27-Aug. 4
- There's a show tonight at 7pm!
- For more info visit:
- https://www.seattleshakespeare.org/ven ue/luther-burbank-park-amphitheatre/





- •Held in partnership with MIHS Black Student Union on June 19th.
- •Live music, food vendors, MIHS Drill Team and Jazz ensemble performances.
- •Great weather and great attendance!

Community Center







50th Annual MIXAL's Jr Art Show

Sponsored by



The Award Reception: Friday, July 12 from 4 to 5 PM at the MICEC

8236 SE 24th Street, Mercer Island, WA, 98040





Summer Camps

- Camps kicked off June 24th and are off to a HOT start.
- With 16 amazing partners, our summer camps offer an assortment of experiences for every camper!
- STEAM adventures, to sports skills, creativity through performance arts, bike riding and more... there's something for everyone.
- Space is still available!
- For more information and registration links, visit: <u>www.mercerisland.gov/summercamps</u>





Community Parade	IOam	20th Aug SC
		78th Ave SE
Touch-A-Truck	10:30am - 4pm	77th Ave SE
MI Community Booths	10:30am - 4pm	77th Ave SE
Art Vendors	10:30am - 4pm	77th Ave SE
City of Mercer Island Booths	10:30am - 4pm	Mercerdale Park
Food Trucks	flam - 4pm	SE 32nd St.
Wally & The Beaves	Ilam - Ipm	Pergola Stage
No Tent Circus & Kids Zone	tlam - 4pm	Mercerdale Park
Foam Party & Bubble Stations	12 · 2pm	Mercerdale Park
Kamishibai - Japanese Theater	1-2pm	Mercerdale Park
The Dogtones	2 - 4pm	Pergola Stage

Shuttles to Luther Burbank Park:

Shuttles will be available between 5:30 - 9pm from the following locations Northwood Elementary and Island Park Elementary. Buses provided by the Mercer Island School District.

Event Paid Parking:

Limited paid parking is available at the Mercer Island Community & Event Center for easy access to/from the activities at Luther Burbank Park. Parking is \$30, proceeds go directly to Summer Celebration - park with ease, while supporting this community event! Call 206-275-7609 to purchase or scan the QR code.



Food Trucks Brickhouse Band Aerial Acts & Stift Walker FIREWORKS SHOW!

6 - 10pm 6 - 10pm 6:30 - 8:30pm 10pm

ADA Parking is available in the Rite Aid parking lot across from Mercerdale Park, and in the Luther Burbank North Parking Lot.



Summer Celebration!

Summer Celebration 2024 is this weekend!

We are looking forward to everything this year's events will bring – including the parade, live music, community booths, art vendors, kids' activities, food trucks, fireworks, and more!

A huge thank you to our many sponsors!

Mostly Music in the Park

- Mostly Music in the Park Kicks-Off TONIGHT!
- Enjoy seven weeks of outdoor concerts at Mercerdale Park, Thursday evenings at 6:30pm.
- Our thanks to Mercer Island Marshal Arts, Mercer Island City Lifestyle, Mioposto, 4Culture, and the Mercer Island Community Fund for supporting the 2024 MMIP season!
- Visit <u>www.mercerisland.gov/mmip</u> for more details.





Parks and Recreation Planning Schedule

August: No Meeting

September 5

• Kick-off to Park Zone planning

October (TBD- Rosh Hashana Oct. 3)

• Park Zone planning

November 7

- Park Zone planning
- Recreation Policy Implementation Review

December 5

- Park Zone Planning
- Parks Capital Projects Update



Thank You

