

**Director's Report
For September 14, 2016**

**Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Play. Every Day.**

The mission of the Department of Parks and Recreation is to preserve our parks and open spaces and provide essential recreational programs and cultural services in a safe, professional and friendly manner.

Projects

1. **LC Fountain**

2. Few operational issues during August. It was determined oils from sunscreen had built up to a point where the filter media was impacted. The chemical supplier recommended an additive that would resolve the issue.

3. **Miscellaneous Projects**

- A. Washington Park Bowl West Light Repairs: Complete.
- B. Lincoln Park Baseball Lighting: The lights are raised. The project should be at completion before mid-September.
- C. Pathway Lighting Replacement: The City wide lighting project will include light replacements for the Lake Michigan Pathway system. Field work on the project is continuing. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

4. **Park Shelters**

- A. Washington Park Bowl Restroom Rehab: Bids for specifications for plumbing rehab, masonry repairs and door purchase have been submitted. The restroom should be operational November 1.
- B. Hantschel Shelter: Revised plans and specs for shelter rebuild are complete. Has been submitted for formal bidding.

5. **Parks Paving**

- A. Asphalt Sealing: Horlick & Lockwood parking lots are complete.
- B. Marino Park Basketball Court: Currently out for bids.
- C. Parks Service Center: Field work for concept plans has begun for paving the parking area at Parks Service. NM&B Consultants will be preparing plans and specifications. No change.

6. **Community Centers**

A. Bryant

- i. Harmony Park: Provided full size concept plans for development of Bryant Harmony Park. No change.

B. Chavez

- i. Rehab Room 24: Field work and planning has begun. RBS Architects will be providing plans & specifications. Draft plans will be available in early September.
- ii. Chavez Gym Lighting Upgrade: The City wide lighting project will include light replacement in both gyms at Chavez. Field work on project is complete. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

C. Humble

- i. Humble Gym Lighting Upgrade: The City wide lighting project will include light replacement in the Humble gym. Field work on project is complete. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

- D. King
 - i. None.
- E. Tyler-Domer
 - i. Tyler-Domer Gym Lighting Upgrade: The City wide lighting project will include light replacement in the Tyler Domer gym. Field work on project is complete. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

7. **Cemeteries:**

- A. Mound & Graceland:
 - i. CIMS Updates: Upgrade of drawings to Auto-Cad of Mound Cemetery is complete. Will complete revisions to match CIMS upgrades as they are available. No change.
 - ii. Crypt Repairs: Crypt repairs for 2016 in process at Graceland. As anticipated, other defects were found behind the stone and marble finishes. The defects were repaired. Project in process.
- B. Mound:
 - i. Mound Pond Fence Extension: Bids came in well over anticipated costs. Project is being reviewed.
 - ii. Section 5 Road Infill: Common Council approval of plots. No change.
- C. Graceland:
 - i. 2016 Roads & Walks Upgrades: Have received completed plans to resolve water issues at the Graceland main entry road. Project is currently out for bid.

8. **Golf Courses:**

- A. Johnson:
 - i. Painting Club House: Bids came in higher than expected. The bids were accepted. Work will begin after Labor Day.
 - ii. Club House Basement Wall Issues: DPW's consultant has reviewed the structure and provided some options for repair. PRCS will be submitting a 2017 CIP project for repair. No change.
 - iii. Painting Office/Pro Shop: Project delayed until next year. Funding transferred to club house painting.
- B. Washington:
 - i. Raised Storm Drains: DPW will send a crew to remove ring from storm drain covers to allow proper drainage in mid to late September.
- C. Shoop:
 - i. Drainage Issues: Had consultant review existing drainage issues. Recommendation is to locate and clean all inlets and drainage outfalls; then send a camera down piping to verify condition of piping. Field work for repair options in process. No change.

9. **Wustum:**

- A. Landscape Improvements: Hired Corre Group Landscape Architect to develop plans and specifications for grounds improvements at Wustum. Preliminary plans have been submitted for approval. Construction documents are being developed. No change.
- B. Front Porch Painting: Bid in. Scheduled for after Labor Day.
- C. Replacement of Windows Original Building: Bids in. Scheduled for mid-October.
- D. Parking Lot Lighting Replacement: Wustum parking lot lighting has been included with the DPW City wide lighting improvements for 2016. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

10. **Zoo:**

- A. Roof Replacement Feline/Primate Building: Bid in under budget. Consultant recommended bids be accepted with alternates. Project expected to begin mid-October.
- B. Zoo Lighting Replacement: Zoo lighting has been included with the DPW City wide lighting improvements for 2016. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

11. Percentage of YTD - PFS Hours Charged to CIP as of August 31, 2016 = **88.1%**

Parks

1. **Parks Division:**

- A. Assembled and delivered picnic tables to West Park. Tables were painted by Main Gallery artists. Cement slabs to be installed in September.
- B. Completed usual litter picking and grass cutting.
- C. Washed piers daily as a result from seagull and geese.
- D. A crew grinded 90 stumps in August. Many more stumps still need to be grinded.
- E. Two staff members soda blasted graffiti which made up a full day's work.
- F. Flail mowed the trail edges at Colonial Park.
- G. Worked with DPW to install 4 permanent trash cans and 1 permanent recycle bin at Monument Square.

2. **Forestry Division:**

- A. Removed 147 street and/or park trees.
- B. Pruned 895 trees (90% were small trees that received pruning to develop good structure).
- C. Responded to approximately 14 reports of branches down and/or hanging branches.
- D. Continued preparations for the fall tree planting cycle (site surveys).
- E. Prepared and assigned tree removals to the forestry contractor for the cemeteries (work is underway).
- F. Started preparations to assign tree work to the forestry contractor for Wustum Museum and the golf courses (work is not yet assigned).
- G. Forestry crew completed a significant amount of small tree removals (70+ man hours) around a heavily shaded tee box at Johnson Golf Course in preparation for assigning a few larger removals to the forestry contractor.

Recreation

1. **Upcoming events and programs:**

- A. Feeding America will take place on Wednesday, September 14 from 3:00 pm-6:00 pm at the Bryant Community Center.
- B. Monument Mash is scheduled for Saturday, October 15.
- C. Registration for the Fast Break Basketball Program has begun.
- D. Youth Hoops registrations began August 23 for 2nd – 4th grade leagues. Evening registrations at Chavez will be held on September 8, 13, and 21 from 5:30 – 7:30 pm for 5th - 8th grade leagues. These players must be present for skill testing and height measurement. Advertisements were run in the Journal Times on August 30 and September 7, flyers were distributed to the schools and postcards to prior year players were mailed.
- E. Hispanic Roundtable Luncheon scheduled for September 16 at Chavez.

2. **Youth Activities:**

- A. PRCS/Mt. Pleasant 12 – 14 year old softball league came to an end on July 28.
- B. The Playground Program came to an end the week of August 7. Staff is already gearing up for next summer.
- C. The Fast Break Basketball program is being offered on Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 pm on September 22, 29 and October 6, 13 at the Cesar Chavez Community Center. The program is designed to teach youth in grades 2-8 the fundamentals of basketball in a fun, non-competitive atmosphere.

3. **Adult Activities:**

- A. Sand Volleyball leagues came to an end August 8.
- B. Fall/Winter Adult Basketball and Adult Volleyball team registration began Tuesday, August 23.
- C. Fall Kickball League games began on August 29 at Island Park. There are 9 coed teams.
- D. Fall Softball league games started at Island Park on August 30 for men teams and August 31 for coed teams. There are 7 mens and 10 coed teams

4. **Miscellaneous:**

- A. The Laurel Clark Fountain season went smoothly. The Downtown Ambassadors had ended their supervision of the splashpad September 2. PRCS staff will supervise the splashpad on weekends through September.
- B. Once again, the Milwaukee Bucks will be offering free game tickets through their Charitable Ticket Program. They will be distributed through the community centers and the Youth Hoops Program.
- C. Other programs in progress: Youth Hoops Basketball Skills Clinic, Adopt-A-River, MADD Haunted House, RUSD Movie Program, & Snow Sharks.

Community Centers

1. **King Center:**

- A. National Nights Out was held on August 2 from 4:00 - 8:00pm. Activities included carnival games, slippery slide, water balloon, dodge ball and a jump house for the children. Informational booths included Baby Express, Health Care Network, and Assurance Wireless free phone program. There were about 160 people in attendance. Received visits from Fire Department and McGruff.
- B. We took 12 youth to Black Sunday in Union Grove on Saturday, August 14. This event attracts racers from all across America. Youth got a chance to meet some of the racers as well as watch cars and motorcycles races. There were other games and activities for the youth to participant in.
- C. Very low voter turnout for the August 9 Congressional race. Due to heat concerns, we moved the voting polls to rooms #18/#19 which have air conditioning.

2. **Humble Park:**

- A. We have 25 to 30 Middle School students consistently attending the center.
- B. The Playground Program ended in August. Another great summer.
- C. Tai Chi is held on Tuesdays from 12:00 to 1:00 pm. Approximately 40 are in attendance.
- D. Senior clubs continue to use the center 4 days a week.
- E. Zumba is ongoing every Wednesday morning.
- F. RYS Football used the building twice for registration for the fall season.
- G. National Night Out was a huge success with approximately 300 people in attendance. The theme was "Backyard Barbeque". We had many donations from area businesses. Face painting, bouncy house, games, and music entertained those in attendance.
- H. Working on fall hours.

3. **Cesar Chavez:**

- A. National Night Out went well on August 2. Free food, a bounce house, face painting and activities by Playground Leaders highlighted the evening followed by an outdoor movie organized by the Traditional Playground program.
- B. United Healthcare held a presentation on Medicare on August 2 at Chavez. Attendance was low but may try again in the fall.
- C. Voting was held on August 9. We had over 450 voters.
- D. Fall hours will begin on September 6.
- E. Alderman Smetana held an informational meeting on August 22 in multipurpose room.
- F. We will be scheduling tile floor stripping and waxing for late September or early October.
- G. New custodial contract with switch to Cleanco has been smooth transition so far.
- H. Youth Hoops registrations began August 23 for 2nd – 4th grade leagues. Evening registrations at Chavez will be on September 8, 13, and 21 from 5:30 – 7:30 pm for 5th - 8th grade leagues. Players must be present for skill testing and height measurement. Advertisements were run in the Journal Times on August 30 and September 7, flyers were distributed to the schools and postcards to prior year players were mailed.
- I. Hispanic Roundtable Luncheon is scheduled for September 16 at Chavez.
- J. Coach Rudy Basketball Camps scheduled for October 8, 15, 22 & 29 is pending enrollments.

4. **Bryant:**

- A. National Night Out was a success. Approximately 275 people were in attendance.
- B. Feed America was held on August 10. There was a good turn out, however the attendance was lower than usual due to the extreme heat.
- C. As part of our summer fun, we took a field trip to the Bud Billiken Parade in Chicago. We had 50 youth and parents participate. All had a great time.
- D. The Lego league is up and running. We have 2 teams and laptops for both teams. At the last meeting on August 27, the teams built tables and began their robot projects. Each team has 10 children participating.

5. **Tyler Domer:**

- A. Playgrounds have come to an end. The leaders and supervisors did a great job.
- B. National Night Out was held on August 2 with approximately 75 in attendance. Served mostly food donated from the food bank. We had a bounce house, face painting, K9 unit and an ambulance to entertain the children.
- C. Pickle ball drop in continues on both Mondays and Wednesdays.
- D. Always using center: quilters, ping pong players, weight lifters, special needs groups, Narcotics Anonymous.
- E. Dance group of 15-20 participants meet 3 times per week.
- F. We have approximately 40 adults using the gym daily to play basketball.

DR. JOHN BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER**2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	875	995	886	961	1,143	1,014	851	760	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	2,048	2,633	2,567	1,376	2,213	3,645	4,348	3,846	0	0	0	0
ADULT	870	908	853	132	487	1,121	732	887	0	0	0	0
MISC	2,909	1,387	1,221	2,101	484	5,838	575	489	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	6,702	5,923	5,527	4,570	4,327	11,618	6,506	5,982	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL ATTENDANCE

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	9,376	21,894	8,301	11,038	50,609
2015	9,343	26,574	8,876	13,822	58,615
2016	7,485	22,676	5,990	15,004	51,155

CESAR CHAVEZ COMMUNITY CENTER**2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	1,363	1,386	1,413	1,347	1,237	1,489	1,027	1,308	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	9,955	4,869	2,715	2,927	2,562	4,366	4,268	2,087	0	0	0	0
ADULT	1,619	1,656	1,405	1,394	1,160	860	817	1,451	0	0	0	0
MISC	4,005	2,094	0	0	75	140	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	16,942	10,005	5,533	5,668	5,034	6,855	6,112	4,846	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL ATTENDANCE

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	15,156	56,989	13,753	6,661	92,559
2015	15,465	53,666	11,931	11,211	92,273
2016	10,570	33,749	10,362	6,314	60,995

HUMBLE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER**2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	275	468	273	365	465	262	567	932	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	6,133	2,064	1,681	1,233	1,361	4,015	2,221	1,771	0	0	0	0
ADULT	103	309	232	241	161	502	133	805	0	0	0	0
MISC	0	246	0	1,303	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	6,511	3,087	2,186	3,142	1,987	4,794	2,921	3,508	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL ATTENDANCE

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	5,286	23,884	9,963	2,575	41,708
2015	3,993	28,373	1,947	634	34,947
2016	3,607	20,479	2,486	1,564	28,136

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY CENTER**2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	1,118	927	1,179	852	779	882	808	1,050	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	3,085	2,344	2,160	996	1,263	2,125	2,398	1,661	0	0	0	0
ADULT	461	470	618	352	865	664	325	868	0	0	0	0
MISC	181	316	186	405	101	172	105	216	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	4,845	4,057	4,143	2,605	3,008	3,843	3,636	3,795	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL ATTENDANCE

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	9,924	17,969	7,925	1,731	37,549
2015	12,627	21,981	10,350	2,221	47,179
2016	7,595	16,032	4,623	1,682	29,932

TYLER DOMER COMMUNITY CENTER**2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	301	280	342	348	306	221	230	258	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	2,948	2,052	1,637	1,653	1,480	2,151	2,114	1,556	0	0	0	0
ADULT	411	346	444	441	505	502	602	449	0	0	0	0
MISC	0	154	300	2,500	11	15	288	493	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	3,660	2,832	2,723	4,942	2,302	2,889	3,234	2,756	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL ATTENDANCE

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	2,545	23,428	11,789	1,285	39,047
2015	2,048	20,500	6,149	907	29,604
2016	2,286	15,591	3,700	3,761	25,338

BEACH ATTENDANCE

	JUN	JUL	AUG	YTD TOTAL
2015	17,366	119,636	60,777	197,779
2016	24,513	76,393	39,393	140,299

FACEBOOK LIKES

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
2016	2,272	2,304	2,358	2,412	2,481	2,593	2,664	2,690	0	0	0	0
MONTHLY INCREASE:		32	54	54	69	112	71	26				

NEWS RELEASES - AUGUST 2016

WPRC Discount Ticket Program Ends
 Youth Hoops Registration
 Brewer Ticket Giveaway
 Cadet Drill Team
 Beach Season Ends
 Fast Break Basketball Camp
 Adult Softball Feedback Meeting

2016 REVENUES

SERVICES	BUDGET	2016 QTR 1	2016 QTR 2	2016 QTR 3	2016 QTR 4
Community Center Rentals	\$10,000.00	\$3,187.53	\$8,101.38		
Park Revenues	\$20,000.00	\$5,889.40	\$13,708.92		
Miscellaneous Fees - Recreation	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$70.00		
Youth Activities	\$63,000.00	\$4,636.00	\$32,970.40		
Adult Activities	\$201,600.00	\$104,858.00	\$109,997.59		
Park & Recreation Rentals	\$13,000.00	\$1,405.72	\$3,504.15		
Boat Launch Charges	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Contract/Concessions	\$32,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$354,810.00	\$126,976.65	\$175,352.44		

2016 GRANTS

GRANT NAME	\$ APPLIED FOR	\$ RECEIVED YTD
United Way	\$4,440.00	\$0.00
Urban Forestry	\$25,000.00	Pending
DNR	\$25,000.00	Pending
Racine Dominican Mission Fund	\$25,000.00	\$0.00
NRPA/WalMart	\$35,000.00	\$30,000.00
RUSD	\$4,010.00	\$4,010.00
CDBG - Forestry	\$50,000.00	\$52,330.00
CDBG - Main Gallery	\$28,612.00	\$20,000.00
TOTALS	\$197,062.00	\$106,340.00

FUNDRAISING/SPONSORSHIPS/DONATIONS

EVENTS	RAISED YTD
Bowling Event (2/21/16)	\$3,013.04
Movies in the Park	\$1,000.00
Youth Softball	\$500.00
Main Gallery	\$5,000.00
Rubber Duck Derby (6/4/16)	\$500.00
Various Donors Perf. Arts Program	\$7,949.08
Dominican Sisters	\$500.00
Playgrounds - RUSD	\$8,000.00
Juneteenth Day	\$2,586.88
Main Gallery - RUSD	\$5,000.00
TOTAL FUNDS RAISED:	\$34,049.00

COLLABORATIONS / PARTNERSHIPS

ORGANIZATIONS	PROGRAMS / SERVICES
3rd Coast Bicycles	Lake F/X Games
Alpine Valley	Snow Sharks
Angel Tree of Milwaukee	Dr. M.L. King Community Center Holiday Dinner
Attorney Timothy P. Crawford	Senior Presentations
Disc Golf Club	Disc Golf Course - Johnson Park
Downtown Racine Corporation	Laurel Clark Fountain/Attendants
Feeding America	Food Pantry at the Dr. John Bryant Community Center
Focus on Community	Rubber Duck Derby
Gateway	Skate Park
Gateway Technical College	Lake F/X Games
Girl Scouts of America	Girl Scout Troops - Centers
Growing Power, Inc.	Parks to Produce
Lankmark Credit Union	Movies in the Park Sponsorship
M.A. Dailey Foundation	Free Fishing Program
Milwaukee Brewers	Ticket Program
Milwaukee Bucks	Ticket Program
Mt. Pleasant Park & Recreation	Youth Softball
NAACP	Black History Achievement Awards
Narcotics Anonymous	Meetings
Park High School	Panther Pals, Transitional Groups
Racine Arts Council	Main Gallery
Racine Fire Department	PRCS staff First Aid / CPR AED Training
Racine Independent Racing	MLK Center
Romello Racing	MLK Center
RUSD	Black History Achievement Awards Facility Use Marketing Materials Playground Programs Special Educations Indoor Movies
Sky High Skate Shop	Lake F/X Games
Special Olympics	Programming & Meetings
Tri-Squad of Racine	Dr. M.L. King Community Center Holiday Dinner
Walgreens	Health Clinics & Screenings
Warren Industries	Lake F/X Games
Wheaton Franciscan	Health Clinics & Screenings
Youth for Christ	Meetings
ZMAC	Holiday Food Drive PRCS Bowling Fundraiser

2016 Programming

JANUARY 1 - JUNE 30

YOUTH	YTD RES	YTD NON-RES	TOTAL	2015 TOTAL
Flag Football (Discontinued)	n/a	n/a	n/a	7
Free Fishing Clinic	17	6	23	30
Indoor Soccer (Discontinued)	0	0	0	27
Outdoor Soccer (Discontinued)	0	0	0	29
PLAYGROUNDS	YTD RES	YTD NON-RES	TOTAL	2015 TOTAL
Kiddie Korner Playgrounds	67	18	85	87
Future Playgrounds	56	31	87	97
Play It Again Playgrounds	58	15	73	83
BIGS Playgrounds	30	18	48	33
All Sports Academy	35	8	43	na
TOTAL PLAYGROUNDS	246	90	336	300
Sand Volleyball	35	32	67	60
Softball 12 - 14 Years	58	14	72	75
Softball 4 Years - 5th Grade	176	27	203	228
Spring Break Basketball Camp	15	5	20	8
Spring Fever Basketball (Discontinued)	n/a	n/a	n/a	6

ADULT/SENIORS	YTD RES	YTD NON-RES	TOTAL	2015 TOTAL
Balance & Beyond (Seniors only)	13	0	13	25
Match Ladder Play	0	0	0	2
Start Restart Tennis Lessons	6	4	10	22

ADULT LEAGUES	YTD Participants	YTD Teams	2015 (P) TOTAL	2015 (T) TOTAL
Basketball			90	9
Sand Volleyball	148	23	184	29
Softball - Summer	1906	153	2263	176
Tennis	0	0	0	0
Tournament - Volleyball	0	0	0	0
Volleyball			423	64