



February 25, 2020

MEMORANDUM

To: Council Planning/Parks Committee Members

From: Department of Planning and Parks

Re: **Parks and Recreation - Action Plan Update for Mid-January, 2020 to Mid-February, 2020**

cc: The Honorable James R. Bowlin, Mayor
Administration/Public Works Committee Members
Economic Development Committee Members
Sam Anselm, City Administrator
John A. Young, City Attorney

Listed below is a summary of the programs and activities the City has completed, or are underway, at this time relative to implementing the goals and recommendations that were set forth in the Parks Action Plan Update Committee's [Action Plan 2018](#). This summary reflects major items that have been the focus of the City, since the Committee's January 2020 meeting:

Early Childhood Recreation Program:

- The City held the first Early Childhood Recreation Program of 2020 on February 3, 2020, at the Hi NRG Gymnastics Gym in Chesterfield Valley.
- The classes were held at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., with each allowing fifty (50) children (plus associated parents).
- The classes were not filled to capacity, but that likely contributed to a more personal class environment.
- Each class proved entertaining to those children in attendance, with activities, and a variety of skill levels to experience.
- Observation found the parents having just as much fun as the kids!

Weekend Scrapbooking Event:

- The Annual Wildwood Weekend Scrapbooking Event took place on February 7 and 8, 2020, at Wildwood City Hall.
- This popular event was filled to capacity on both days (over 48 participants).
- The first day of the event was held from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., with Saturday being held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Participants have asked to hold this event twice a year.

Wildwood Cabin Fever Hike:

- The Annual Wildwood Cabin Fever Hike was held on February 22, 2020.
- Over 200 participants braved the elements to hike various trail options or simply enjoy a cup of coffee and bagel at the check-in tent.
- The event was held at the Al Foster Memorial Trailhead and began at 8:00 a.m.
- The check-in tent was heated and held plenty of food and drink to fuel participants.
- The Wildwood Cabin Fever Hike is a perennial favorite.

Pop-Up Event:

- Two (2) Pop-Up Events were held in 2020 so far.
- The first on January 27, 2020, in front of Wildwood City Hall, where staff provided a *Drive Thru Breakfast* for students on their way to school, or anyone who drove by between the hours of 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.
- The second was on January 21, 2020, which brought National Hot Chocolate Day to everyone's attention.
- Free hot chocolate was provided to anyone stopping by the MillerHaus between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Next City Events:

- Scrapbooking March 3, 2020
- Wildwood Centaur Time Trial March 21, 2020
- Early Childhood Recreation Program Flying Spider Gymnastics March 24, 2020
- Baby Sitting 101 March 17, 2020

If you should have any questions or comments in this regard, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning and Parks at (636) 458-0440. Thank you for your review of this information and continued support of these and other events and activities of the City.