



June 16, 2020

MEMORANDUM

To: Council Planning/Parks Committee Members

From: Department of Planning and Parks

Re: **Parks and Recreation - Action Plan Update for Mid-May 2020 to Mid-June 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 completed programs and activities of the City, 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 May 2020 meeting:

Virtual Senior Yogs Classes:

- Virtual Senior Yoga Classes are held every Tuesday and Friday with Wildwood Yoga and Wellness.
- The virtual classes have proven very popular and attendance is high.

Virtual Bingo Night:

- A virtual Bingo Game was held/presented by the Department on May 22, 2020.
- This virtual event also proved very popular/successful.
- Over seventy (70) groups participated.
- Groups ranged from individuals to large families.

Sunflower Planting:

- Packages of Sunflower seeds were available for pick-up at Wildwood City Hall.
- A video was produced and posted on the City's website giving instructions on how to successfully grow the Sunflower seeds.
- The event focused on school-aged children and others with budding green thumbs.

Virtual Trivia Night:

- A virtual Trivia Night was held/presented by the Department on June 10, 2020.
- Over thirty (30) groups participated and, again, the City received very positive feedback.

General:

- Restrooms at Anniversary Park, the Al Foster Memorial Trailhead, and Community Park have all been de-winterized/prepared for opening, when approval is given.
- Extra portable restrooms have been placed at all parks, with frequent cleaning schedules in place.
- New landscaping/plantings have taken place in Community Park.
- Department Staff, City Council Members, and numerous additional volunteers came together at the John L. LeCave Memorial Trailhead on the morning of June 6, 2020, at 8:00 a.m., to assist with the landscaping (planting) of the newest park facility.
- Development continues at the Green Pines Park, despite weather interruptions that cause some delays.
- The Glencoe Community Church building in the Glencoe City Park Area has been removed and new grass planted, where it once stood.
- A portion of the church's foundation, which had an inscription, was preserved for historical purposes.

Next City Events:

All City events have been cancelled through the month of July.

The Celebrate Wildwood Event is still being planned but will proceed with a reduced schedule of days. More information will follow in July.

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.