MANSFIELD PARKS & RECREATION

NOVEMBER 2024

OUR VISION

to inspire Mansfield to gather, grow, preserve & play through Welcoming spaces & remarkable experiences

OUR MISSION to create community by **exceeding expectations** in design, maintenance, operations and programming with a commitment to lead as a team with uncompromising integrity

OUR GOALS



Develop, Maintain and Innovate

Parks and Programs

Increase Access to



Improve Health and Wellness

Preserve Natural Spaces

Cultivate Community Pride



THIS MONTH IN MANSFIELD



Mayor Michael Evans and the Mansfield City Council were joined earlier this month by State Representative David Cook and Rep. Jake Ellzey for an official ceremony marking the start of one of this year's exciting projects, adding a veterans memorial and other improvements to Julian Feild Park.

Serenity Gardens, added in 2002 as a quiet, peaceful area to remember lost loved ones, will be realigned, with new landscaping, sidewalks, and all existing memorial bricks repaved into one open reflection space. A large, octagonal-shaped pavilion is being added, with a design referencing Mansfield's historic Memorial Hall, the building constructed in 1918 to honor WWI veterans. An open plaza in the rear of the park will have granite pylons representing the military branches, creating a second space within the park for remembrance and reflection designed especially for veterans and their families. This was designed in a partnership with the Mansfield Veterans Memorial and Tribute Foundation. The creek will become a reflecting pond, not only creating a new space to gather, but also alleviating some ongoing drainage issues. Bridges across the pond will allow for easier access to the west side of the park from the Magnolia St. parking lot. The playground will be removed and donated, with that area becoming a large open event plaza with tiered seating built into the natural topography. In addition to the sidewalks connecting all of these new features, the park is also getting restrooms.

This remarkable reimagining of our oldest park is completely fitting its namesake, Julian Feild, who was himself a military veteran. As we focus on the future of our city, including its parks, we are always looking for ways to honor our history, and this is planned as an excellent blend of both.

SAVE THE DATE

11/26 Family Nerf Night 11/28-29 City closed 12/06 Hometown Holidays 12/07 Snowman Run 5k 12/23 Candy Cane Hunt 12/24-25, 12/31-01/01 City closed

DIVISION UPDATES

RECREATION

MAC VISITORS	13,859
RECREATION PARTICIPANTS	562
SENIOR MEALS SERVED	736
SENIOR DAILY VISITS	1,100
MAC MEMBERSHIPS SOLD	112
NATURE EDUCATION PARTICIPANTS	119
FIELD TRIP PARTICIPANTS	258

OPERATIONS

PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS	16
PAVILION RENTALS	59
FIELD AND COURT RENTALS	75
SPLASH PAD WATER TESTS	0

MARKETING

FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS	14,966
FACEBOOK REACH	32,172
INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS	4,495
INSTAGRAM IMPRESSIONS	23,832
EMAIL SUBSCRIBERS	6,613
EMAIL OPEN RATE	32%
WEBSITE VISITORS	5,329









PARK PROJECT UPDATES



	PROJECT	ADDRESS	DETAILS	STATUS
1	Walnut Creek Linear Trail	Cannon/Carlin to ONP	Phase 3B on street side path trail	Bidding
2	Katherine Rose Memorial Park	303 N. Walnut Creek Dr.	Master plan & new playground	Bidding
3	McKnight Park West	302 N. Wisteria Dr.	Playground, park amenities and disc golf course	Design
4	McClendon Park East	740 W. Kimball St.	New playground and nature trail	Design
5	Mans Best Field Dog Park	610 W. Broad St.	Water feature, agility equipment, trail connection	Design
6	Julian Feild Park	1531 E. Broad St.	Veterans memorial, restrooms and pond	Bidding
7	Geyer Commons	599 E. Broad St.	Historic plaza with retail and park amenities	Construction

Mansfield Parks and Recreation uses department goals and City Council priorities to develop both long and short-term projects and plans. All projects include icons indicating which of the priorities are being addressed.



1 WALNUT CREEK LINEAR TRAIL 3B

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SUMMARY	This segment will extend from the recently completed trail at Cannon and Carlin Roads and create a connection to the entrance of Oliver Nature Park with a combination of added trails and expanded sidewalks along Matlock Road.						
CURRENT UPDATE	Plans and bid documents have been updated with a few minor revisions and construction documents are complete. We are still awaiting right-of-way clearance on one property. The project advertised for construction bids, opened and will be rejected due to bid clarity. The project is to be readvertised at the end of November.						
PROJECT MANAGER James Fish TARGET COMPLETION Winter 2025 BUDGET \$3 million							
DESIGN FIRM	Kimley Horn & Associates	CONTRACTOR	TBD	SOURCE	MPFDC/GF Bonds		



2 KATHERINE ROSE MEMORIAL PARK

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SUMMARY	Katherine Rose Park and Hardy Allmon Soccer Complex are being reimagined to better fit the needs of a growing community. The project includes a master redevelopment plan of the space, including available nearby properties and parks.							
CURRENT UPDATE	The phase 1A improvements (new parking lot and driveway) were substantially completed at the end of September, and the contractor has now completed all items on the final punchlist as well. The old parking lot was demolished and the contractor has had temporary irrigation in place to help establish grass in the disturbed areas, but with that and recent weather the grass has grown in and the temporary irrigation will be removed. Closeout documents are being prepared with Home Run Construction and staff was very pleased with their work and cooperation throughout the project. The phase 1B plans were advertised at the end of October, a pre-bid meeting was held on November 5, and the bid opening is scheduled to take place on November 21.							
PROJECT MANAGER	Garett Smith & James Fish TARGET COMPLETION Winter 2025 BUDGET \$10 million							
DESIGN FIRM	Parkhill	CONTRACTOR	TBD	SOURCE	GF, ARPA, MPFDC			



3 MCKNIGHT PARK WEST

SUMMARY	Mansfield Parks and Recreation was awarded a \$750,000 non-urban outdoor recreation grant for James McKnight Park West from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission (TPWC) in January 2023 to add much-needed amenities to the 35-year-old park. The concept includes a playground, walking trail with fitness stations and the city's first disc golf course.							
CURRENT UPDATE	The submissions and response to the Disc Golf Request For Qualifications (RFQ) was received on October 17. Staff has completed the review of the submissions. Studio 13 Design Group will engage a disc golf design consultant over the next few days.							
PROJECT MANAGER	Mitali Mandlekar Spring 2026 BUDGET \$2.1 million							
DESIGN FIRM	Studio 13	CONTRACTOR	TBD	SOURCE	TPWD Grant, MPFDC			



4 MCCLENDON PARK EAST

SUMMARY	This project includes the renovation and expansion of the playground area, as well as reworking and enhancing the nature trail connection between this park and McClendon Park West							
CURRENT UPDATE	Staff has received the completed construction documents from the consultant and has been reviewing and clearing up any minor details. The consultant will continue to work on supplemental material for the bidding process as they work with staff to prepare to bid the project in December. The project will advertise through December, with a bid opening scheduled for early January.							
PROJECT MANAGER	Garett Smith TARGET COMPLETION Summer 2025 BUDGET \$600,000							
DESIGN FIRM	Westwood	CONTRACTOR	TBD	SOURCE	MPFDC			



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5 MANS BEST FIELD DOG PARK

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SUMMARY	This project covers the development of phase II for the dog park, which entails installing a swimming pond/water feature for dog use, a dog wash station/area, a central pavilion, agility equipment, and extending irrigation and lighting further into the paddocks. A paved trail is also being added to provide access to the pond and provide future access to the WCLT 4A/4B expansion.						
CURRENT UPDATE	Staff recently received the completed set of construction documents from the consultant and is reviewing them before submitting them through the city's permitting process. While that is underway the consultant will remain working on any supplemental material for the bid process while also correcting or adjusting any minor details caught in the review and permitting process. The project will advertise through December, with a bid opening scheduled for early January.						
PROJECT MANAGER	Garett Smith Summer 2025 BUDGET \$400.000						
DESIGN FIRM	Westwood	CONTRACTOR	TBD	SOURCE	MPFDC		



6 JULIAN FEILD PARK

SUMMARY	Phase one of Julian Feild Park redevelopment includes walkways, reflection pond, irrigation and landscaping, restrooms, Serenity Gardens improvements, and a large veterans memorial plaza. Future phases will include trails throughout the rear, wooded portion of the park, and a connection to the Walnut Creek Linear Trail. This project also includes work to address erosion along the west side of the park supported by the drainage fund.						
CURRENT UPDATE	Staff and consultants have prepared Phase 1 construction documents and advertised for bids. The project is on schedule with the additional design for the channel improvements included through Environmental Management. Work kicked off with a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, Nov. 4 at 11 a.m. Bids are due to be received November 26 at 2 pm.						
PROJECT MANAGER	PROJECT TARGET Winter 2025 BUDGET \$7 million						
DESIGN FIRM	Kimley-Horn	CONTRACTOR	TBD	SOURCE	TIRZ #1		



7 GEYER COMMONS

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SUMMARY	The Geyer Commons project will redevelop the City's first ballfield into a mixed-use public space. Phase I includes design and construction of an urban plaza with a vendor market, splash pad, restrooms with an incorporated pump room, architectural gateway feature, seating areas, open space improvements, streetscape improvements, trees, landscaping, infrastructure and lighting. Future phases will include construction of the civic lawn, architectural fountain, wiffle ball field, historic home relocation, parking areas, and additional landscaping and infrastructure.					
CURRENT UPDATE	Bids were received for construction of Phase 1A on October 16. City Council awarded the construction contract for Phase 1A to Millis Development and Construction- Dallas, LLC on Oct 28. City is in the process of executing the construction contract and all necessary documents prior to releasing the notice to proceed. Construction is anticipated to begin in December.					
PROJECT MANAGER	Mitali Mandlekar	TARGET COMPLETION	Summer 2025	BUDGET	\$5.6 million	
DESIGN FIRM	Dunaway Associates	CONTRACTOR	Millis Development & Construction	SOURCE	GF CO's	





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