

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

August 8, 2019
Item 5

TITLE: REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE PARKS MAINTENANCE DIVISION QUARTERLY REPORT FOR APRIL – JUNE 2019 (Q2)

SUMMARY

The Parks Maintenance Division submits a quarterly report that summarizes the recent quarter's activities. The intent of the report is to inform the Commission of the general nature of ongoing maintenance activities for the period, project work, and other maintenance related items during the quarter.

RECOMMENDATION

Review and discuss the Parks Maintenance Division Quarterly Report for April-June 2019 (Q2)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

None.

BACKGROUND

The Parks division has five park maintenance crews and one median, trails and open space crew. The “park” crews are comprised of four to five full-time employees that are responsible for all aspects of park maintenance in a geographic area. The “median” crew is comprised of two full-time employees with responsibilities throughout the entire city. Each crew submits quarterly reports of significant maintenance events in their respective areas. This report is a summary of those events.

DISCUSSION

Routine maintenance activities for the second quarter of 2019 included: weekly turf mowing, pesticide applications, mulch installation, tree removal, irrigation system repairs and programming, turf renovation, plant installation, leaf removal, vandalism repair, sidewalk grinding, stump grinding, equipment maintenance, sidewalk edging, storm clean-up, ball field preparation, and weekly play area safety inspections.

Project work for the second quarter of 2019 included: Amaral Park concrete repair, Hansen Park playground and fence installation, Gingerbread playground installation, Museum Christmas tree installation, mound removal at Ken Mercer Sports Park, garbage can installation at Augustin Bernal Park, and Orloff Park masonry wall renovation.

The City’s tree trimming vendor, West Coast Arborist (WCA) is continuing work in District 8 which includes: Bernal Avenue, First Street, Vineyard Avenue, and Valley Avenue. WCA also completed the annual downtown street tree trimming this quarter.

The street median maintenance contractor, Terra Landscape, Inc., focused their main efforts on regularly scheduled spring maintenance and weed abatement. Weed abatement is performed on over 100 locations in the City. Terra Landscape also performed a complete renovation of all 62 downtown color bowls.

Listed below are highlights of additional work performed by Parks staff during the second quarter of 2019:

Amador Valley Community Park

- Installed a new 2-5 age appropriate structure at Gingerbread Preschool (Funded by Friend of Gingerbread)



Amaral Park

- Installed four new concrete benches
- Removed and replaced concrete next to play area



Bernal Community Park

- Installed 30 cubic yards of compost to turf and no mow fescue
- Installed new four inch backflow device
- Performed annual weed abatement at the Oak Woodland



Civic Center

- Installed new plant material around 123 Main Street

Cubby's Dog Park

- Removed large muddy mound and installed 100 cubic yards of new playground mulch

Fairlands Park

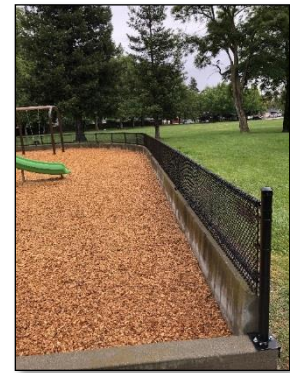
- Installed a small concrete pad for a new garbage can
- Removed Chinese Pistache tree

Fire Station Four

- Removed large Willow tree
- Installed new plants at the entry drive way

Hansen Park

- Installed four new concrete picnic tables
- Replaced playground with a new 5-12 age appropriate structure
- Replaced rotted fencing with new safety chain link fence



Heatherlark Park

- Removed two silk trees

Ken Mercer Sports Park

- Installed new sod behind Little League field four
- Installed six new reclaimed water filters
- Removed mound on Hardball B to accommodate softball users



Meadows Park

- Installed one new concrete bench

Meadowlark Park

- Removed illegal BMX bike course located along the 680 soundwall

Moller Park

- Removed two large Italian Stone pines

Museum on Main

- Installed new Deodar cedar to replace the dead Christmas tree



Orloff Park

- Repaired and repainted the masonry wall at the Santa Rita/ Valley Avenue entrance

Valley Trails Park

- Installed new mulch in planter areas

Val Vista Community Park

- Renovated soccer fields and applied 75 tons of topdress sand
- Installed new BBQ's at the large picnic area
- Removed four pear trees on field one and re-sodded area
- Repaired vandalism damage to the Hockey Rink and the Maintenance storage area



Additional Parks Division Areas of Responsibilities:

Trails, Open Space, Medians and Urban Forest

Augustin Bernal Trail

- Installed five new garbage cans at the staging area
- Removed large oak that fell across the trail



Marilyn Murphy Kane Trail

- Performed annual Weed Abatement along trail

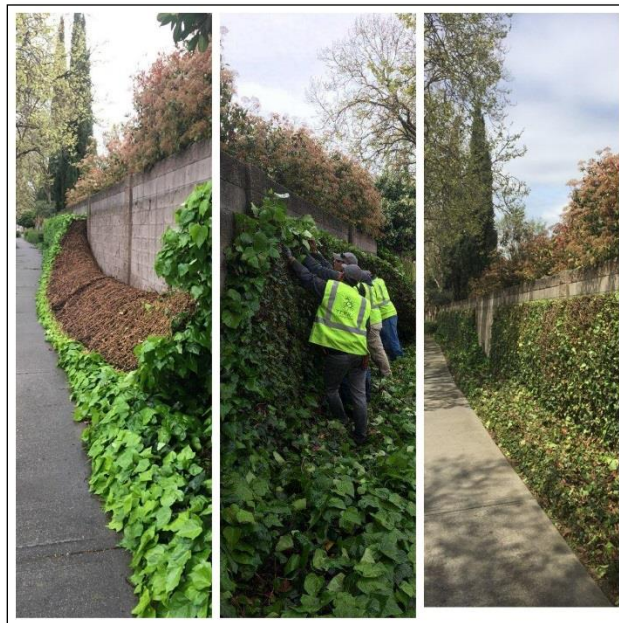
Martin and Mohr Open Space

- Performed Weed Abatement with new DR power Brush Mower



City Medians

- Repaired ivy wall on Valley Avenue



Downtown Color Bowls

- Renovated 62 planter bowls along Main Street



Urban Forest Management

- Pruned large Walnut trees along Black Avenue
- Removed six large Raywood Ash trees along Valley Trails as part of a sidewalk, curb, and gutter project
- Removed a Pear tree on Sutter Gate Drive that succumbed to “Summer Branch Drop”



ALTERNATIVE ACTION

Any other action as determined by the Commission.

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