

# Parks & Recreation Department Updates

**Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee**  
**September 10, 2025**



# Park Visitation Statistics

## Gulf Beaches

- 25k - Average Weekend
- 42k - July 4th Weekend
- 540k - May 26<sup>th</sup> thru August 10<sup>th</sup>

## North Beach/Water's Edge Park/Mcgee Beach

- 30k - Average Weekend
- 50k - July 4th Weekend
- 500k - May 26<sup>th</sup> thru August 10<sup>th</sup>

## Cole Park

- 21k - Average Weekend
- 44k - July 4th Weekend
- 445k – May 26<sup>th</sup> thru August 10<sup>th</sup>



## Commodore Park Master Plan:

- Bid opening: September 3, 2025
- City Council: Construction Contract - Estimated October 2025
- Construction Start: Tentative Nov/Dec 2025

## Wranosky Skate Park Lighting:

- This project will be phased in with the construction of the parking lot improvements.
- Phase one will include the parking lot & AEP enhancements.
- Other phases to be assessed for lighting needs & can be incorporated into future lighting projects.

## Salinas Park Pump Track:

- This project is currently in the preliminary design phase with Munoz Engineering as consultant.

## Sherrill Park Helicopter:

- Once propellers were installed the Helicopter was transported to the park site.
- Ribbon cutting will be tentatively scheduled for the first week of October.



# Parks & Recreation Department FY2026 Decision Package Request

| Rank | Title  | Budget     | POSITIONS | Pillar      |
|------|--|------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1    | Maintenance/Operations Budget for Hillcrest Parks (3 months w/Capital Outlay)            | \$ 498,167 | 6         | Mandate     |
| 2    | Maintenance/Operations Budget for Northside Aquatic Facility (T.C. Ayers Aquatic Center) | \$ 253,405 | 2         | Mandate     |
| 3    | Maintenance of Connectivity Trail System   | \$ 428,530 | 4         | Mandate     |
| 4    | Add Program Funding for Northwest Senior Center  | \$ 20,000  | 0         | Enhancement |
| 5    | Athletic Maintenance Phase II  | \$ 488,000 | 4         | Efficiency  |

- ❖ This proposed operating budget is scheduled for a second reading for City Council adoption to be held on September 9, 2025

