
Parks and Community Services Department Monthly Director Report

Brian Gruner
March 13, 2025



Department Highlights

- Mid-Year Budget Update
 - Fiscal Year 2024-25 adopted expenditures budget for Citywide services was \$189.9 million
 - The General Fund year-end revenue projections are estimated at \$183.5 million
 - Decrease in tax revenue from retail stores and car dealerships
 - A shortfall of \$6.4 million from the adopted budget

Department Highlights

- Mid-Year Budget Update
 - Staff presented to Council cost saving measures
 - Temporary reduction in Capital Improvement Project (CIP)
 - Street Sweeping costs deferred to gas tax fund

Department Highlights

- Free Swim Lessons
 - April 14 to May 23
 - Downtown Aquatics Center
 - 48 students registered
 - 2nd to 6th graders
 - Waiting list
 - Collaboration w/ Newport –Mesa Unified School District (NMUSD)
 - Parent Meeting
 - Wednesday, March 12
 - Discuss expectations and program overview
- Wi-Fi Update
 - Balearic Community Center
 - All Parks and Community Services facilities now have Wi-Fi

COLLEGE PARK ELEMENTARY **BEN CARLSON** **CITY OF COSTA MESA**

FREE AFTER SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS

APRIL 14 - MAY 21

FOR 6 WEEKS, YOUR CHILD WILL LEARN SWIMMING FUNDAMENTALS AND WATER SAFETY SKILLS THROUGH 25 MINUTES OF IN-WATER PRACTICE AND 20 MINUTES OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES ON LAND.

FOR STUDENTS 2ND-6TH GRADE

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

FEBRUARY 28TH 8:30 A.M.
COLLEGE PARK ELEMENTARY
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

LESSON TIMES
MONDAYS
3:30-4:30 PM
WEDNESDAYS
2:30-3:30 PM

RED CROSS LEARN-TO-SWIM

OUR PROGRAM ADHERES TO THE AMERICAN RED CROSS LEARN-TO-SWIM CURRICULUM, WHICH FOCUSES ON BUILDING SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE IN THE WATER.

DROWNING IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR CHILDREN AGES 1-4

Fairview Park Update

- Fairview Park Master Plan
 - Council Meeting April 1
 - Present technical findings
 - Present recommendations
 - Harbor Soaring Society (HSS) Fly Field
 - Mesa Restoration Project
 - Award contract in August start in September/October
 - Nesting Season
 - Late February to September



Community Outreach



You're Invited

PROPOSED PICKLEBALL COURTS AT BALEARIC COMMUNITY CENTER

We'll be sharing our plans to improve the paved recreation area and asking for your feedback on two proposed pickleball courts.

Project highlights:

- New recreational blacktop surface
- New basketball courts and hoops
- Interactive blacktop activity games



Tuesday, March 25, 2025



6:00 PM



Balearic Community Center
1975 Balearic Dr



Refreshments will be served



For More Information

MONIQUE.VILLASENOR@COSTAMESACA.GOV

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Está Invitado

A LA PROPOSICIÓN DE CANCHAS DE PICKLEBALL EN EL BALEARIC COMMUNITY CENTER

Estaremos compartiendo nuestros planes para mejorar el área de recreación pavimentada y queremos conocer sus opiniones sobre dos canchas de pickleball que estaremos proponiendo.

Puntos importantes del proyecto:

- Nueva superficie pavimentada para recreación
- Nuevas canchas y aros de básquetbol
- Juegos interactivos en el pavimento



Martes 25 de marzo de 2025



6:00 PM



Balearic Community Center
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Se servirá comida y refrescos



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Community Outreach

Costa Mesa Bicycle Safety Education Program

COMMUNITY BIKE SKILLS WORKSHOP



Join us for one or all of the community workshops!

Sat, May 10, 2025 10am-2pm TeWinkle Park 970 Arlington Dr Next to Angel's Playground	Sat, Apr 05, 2025 10am-2pm Harbor Trinity Church 1230 Baker St. Costa Mesa, CA 92626
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In this workshop, you will get FREE:

- BIKE SKILLS COURSE
- HELMETS & FREEBIES
- BIKE REPAIR

Learn more at www.WalkMoreBikeMore.org/costa-mesa



Funding provided by the City of Costa Mesa.

Programa de Educación sobre Seguridad en Bicicleta de Costa Mesa

TALLER COMUNITARIO DE BICICLETAS



¡Únase con nosotros para uno o todos los talleres comunitarios!

Sábado, 10 de mayo 10am-2pm TeWinkle Park 970 Arlington Dr. Junto a Angel's Playground	Sábado, Abr 05, 2025 10am-2pm Harbor Trinity Church 1230 Baker St. Costa Mesa,
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En este taller obtendrás GRATIS:

- CURSO DE TÉCNICAS EN BICICLETA
- CASCOS Y REGALOS
- REPARACIÓN DE BICICLETAS

Obtenga más información en www.WalkMoreBikeMore.org/costa-mesa



Financiamiento proporcionado por la ciudad de Costa Mesa.

Community Outreach

SAFE SPLASH BASH

featuring the

WATER SAFETY ESSENTIALS WORKSHOP

TAUGHT BY CERTIFIED WATER SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

2:00-4:00 P.M.
SATURDAY MAY 17

This crash course is perfect for parents, guardians, teachers, and anyone who spends time near the water

**THIS IS A
FREE EVENT**

ADULT ATTENDEES WILL...

- ◆ Practice hands-only CPR and First Aid basics
- ◆ Learn the do's and don'ts of water safety
- ◆ Gain confidence in responding to water related incidents

...AND THE KIDS?

We've got them covered too, with:

- ◆ Interactive safety demos
- ◆ Water-Themed games
- ◆ Lifesaving water skills



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DOWNTOWN AQUATIC CENTER

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714-327-7564



SAFE SPLASH BASH

con el

TALLER DE SEGURIDAD EN EL AGUA

IMPARTIDO POR PROFESIONALES CERTIFICADOS EN SEGURIDAD ACUÁTICA

2:00-4:00 P.M.
SÁBADO, 17 DE MAYO

Este curso intensivo es perfecto para padres, tutores, profesores y cualquier persona que pase tiempo cerca del agua

**ESTÁ UN
EVENTO
GRATIS**

LOS PARTICIPANTES ADULTOS...

- ◆ Practicarán RCP y Primeros Auxilios básicos
- ◆ Aprenderán lo que se debe y no se debe hacer en materia de seguridad en el agua
- ◆ Ganar confianza en la respuesta a incidentes relacionados con el agua

...Y LOS NIÑOS?

También los tenemos cubiertos, con:

- ◆ Demostraciones interactivas de seguridad
- ◆ Juegos acuáticos
- ◆ Habilidades acuáticas de salvamento



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Costa Mesa Senior Center

- Senior Social Services
 - Year round no cost mental health service to seniors (ages 50 and older)
 - For more information, visit the Senior Center or call (714) 327-7550



Upcoming Programs and Events

- Color Rush | Teen Event
 - **Sunday, March 30** | 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
 - Downtown Recreation Center
- Spring Fest
 - Saturday, April 19 | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 - Lions Park Event Lawn
- Safe Splash Bash
 - Saturday, May 17 | 2:00 PM
 - Downtown Aquatic Center
 - May = Water Safety Month
 - Water Safety Workshop
 - CPR and First Aid Basics
 - Safety Demos
 - Lifesaving Water Skills

**Parks
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Life
Better!**[®]

SKATEPARK EXPANSION PROJECT

PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

MARCH 13, 2025



SKATEPARK HISTORY

- Built in 2005
- 15,000 s.f.
- Existing features include:
 - Kidney pool
 - Vert bowl
 - Street course with a euro-gap, ledges, and other obstacles



SKATEPARK EXPANSION

- Orange County Supervisor Katrina Foley awarded two million grant to City for expansion
- City Council awarded Skatepark Expansion project to David Volz Design (DVD)/Spohn Ranch in Late 2023.
- Design of Skatepark Expansion project was initiated in early 2024.
- First Community Meeting was held on May 11, 2024 with about 110 attendees
 - Popular feedback received included:
 - Adding a euro gap
 - Clover bowl request
 - More handrails – Flat Bars
 - Pump track
 - Manual pads
 - Protect existing trees
 - Eliminate fencing



SKATEPARK OUTREACH

- Second community outreach meeting was held on March 12, 2025 at Davis Magnet School.
- Marketing included various methods including social media, facility postings and outreach to various skate/surf shops
- The meeting was attended by over 95 community members.
- The concept plan was largely accepted by the community and the improvements were in line with input received at the first community meeting.



CONCEPT VIDEO PRESENTATION



SKATEPARK CONCEPT PLAN

- Proposed concept plan includes four major elements:
 - Clover Pool
 - Pumptrack
 - Snakerun
 - Street Section
- The proposed expansion area is approximately 17,000 s.f., more than doubling the size of current skatepark.



CONCEPT PLAN



COSTA MESA SKATEPARK EXPANSION

CONCEPT DESIGN // MARCH 12, 2025





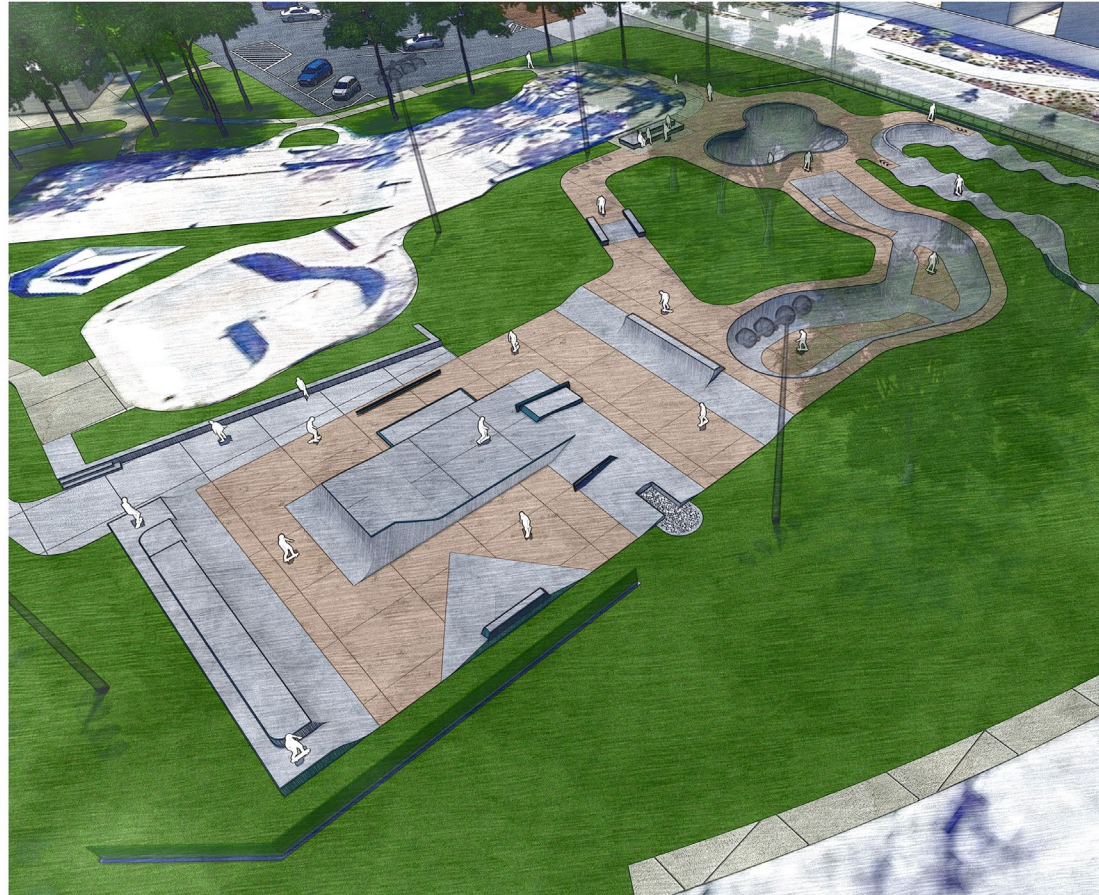
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SKATEPARK EXPANSION NEXT STEPS

- Initiate project final design.
- Obtain approvals and ready to advertise by summer 2025.
- Initiate construction by Fall 2025.
- Complete project by mid 2026.

QUESTIONS?

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT UPDATE

Public Works Department
March 13, 2025



CIP Projects Update 2024



State Assembly Member
Cottie Petrie-Norris

Ketchum-Libolt Park Expansion

Scope of Work:

Expand the park by incorporating
the parkway between the existing
park and Victoria Street sidewalk
to provide more play elements
Design completed.

Construction documents are
under review.

Anticipated release for bidding
in April 2025.

Construction to begin early
2025.





State Senator
Dave Min

Shalimar Park Improvements

Scope of Work

Engage community during the design of park improvements
Add more play elements
Potentially increase park space
Design completed.

Construction documents are under review.

Anticipated release for construction starting May/July 2025

Construction to begin early 2025.



Winkle Athletic Complex Improvements

Batting Cages

Most requested
amenity.

Two, single lane
cages

Includes electrical
and LED lighting.

Construction to
begin in April/May
2025



Winkle Athletic Complex Improvements

Drainage

Improve water drainage systems that lead to increased closures that impact sports groups.

Design Complete

Consultant will draft construction documents.

Bidding and Award Winter 2025.





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TeWinkle Park Lakes Repairs

all new lake liner.
design shoreline.
grade pump and
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OC Supervisor
Katrina Foley

Skate Park Expansion

Scope of Work:

Expansion of the existing Skate Park at TeWinkle Park.

Provide dedicated area for young/beginning skaters.

Develop designs in collaboration with local skating community.

Presentation to PACS March 13th.

Consultant to begin drafting construction and bidding documents.

Design/Award Summer/Fall 2025

Construction Winter 2025



BRENTWOOD PARK IMPROVEMENTS



- This project aims to revitalize the park to include added and improved amenities
- Proposed new park features includes:
 - Upgraded playground equipment
 - Landscaping
 - Walkways
 - LED Lighting
- This project is in planning and design phase.
- Design completed early 2025.
- Construction to begin Summer/Fall 2025.



CIP PROJECTS FAIRVIEW PARK





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Fairview Park

Bluff Stabilization and Restoration

Enhance slope stability, bluff trail safety

Restore native coastal bluff scrub habitat

RFP for design of the restoration is being finalized.



Wetlands Improvements

Enhance water supply reliability, water quality

Recirculation, aeration, communications & operational improvements

Staff is working on sourcing an on-call consultant to provide a scope of work for this project.



CIP Projects Completed 2024





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LED Lighting Improvements Tennis Center

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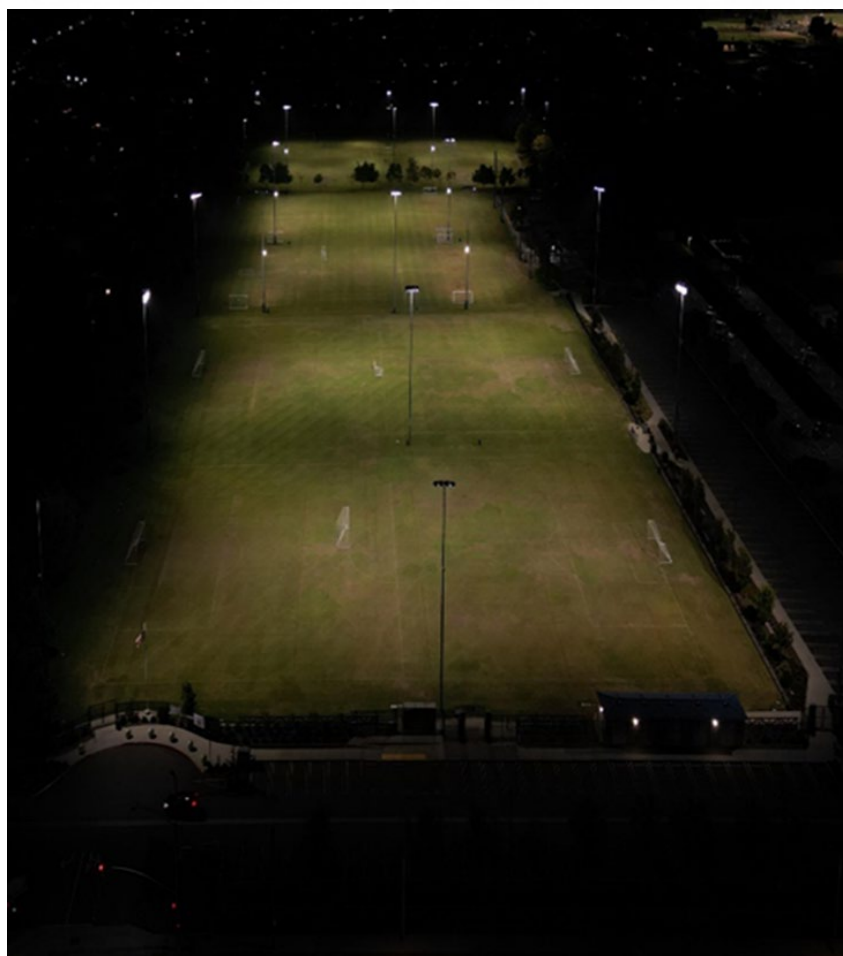


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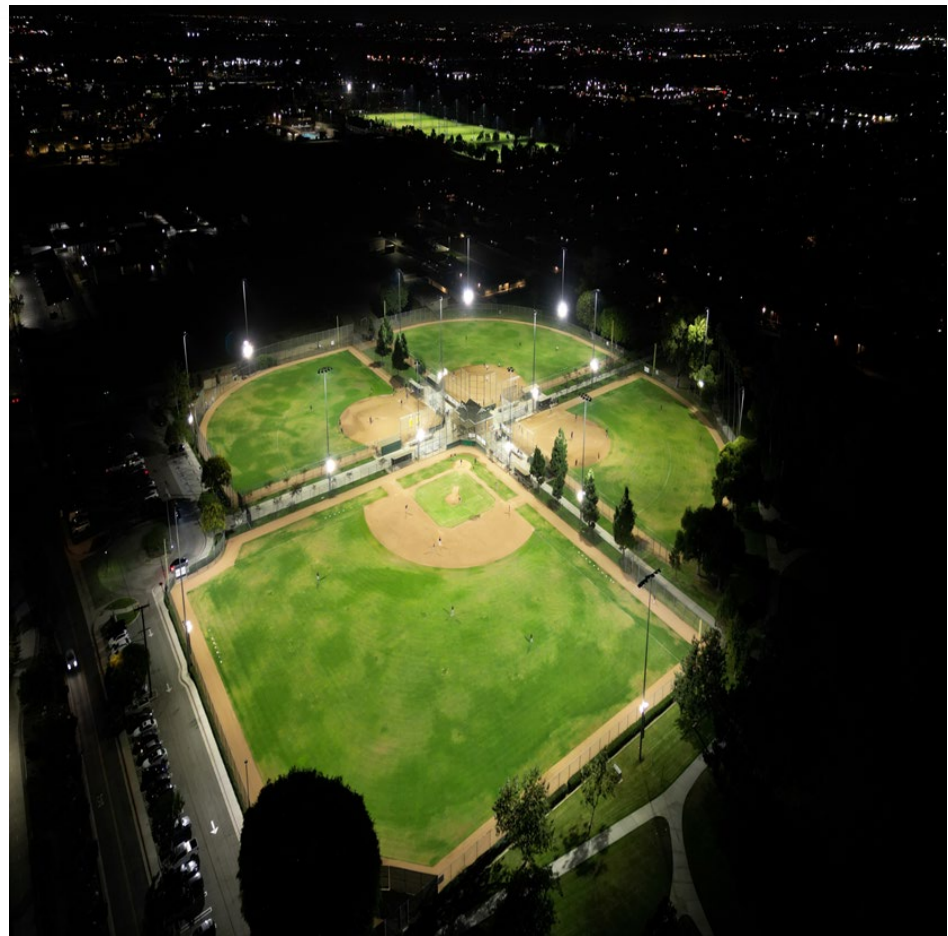
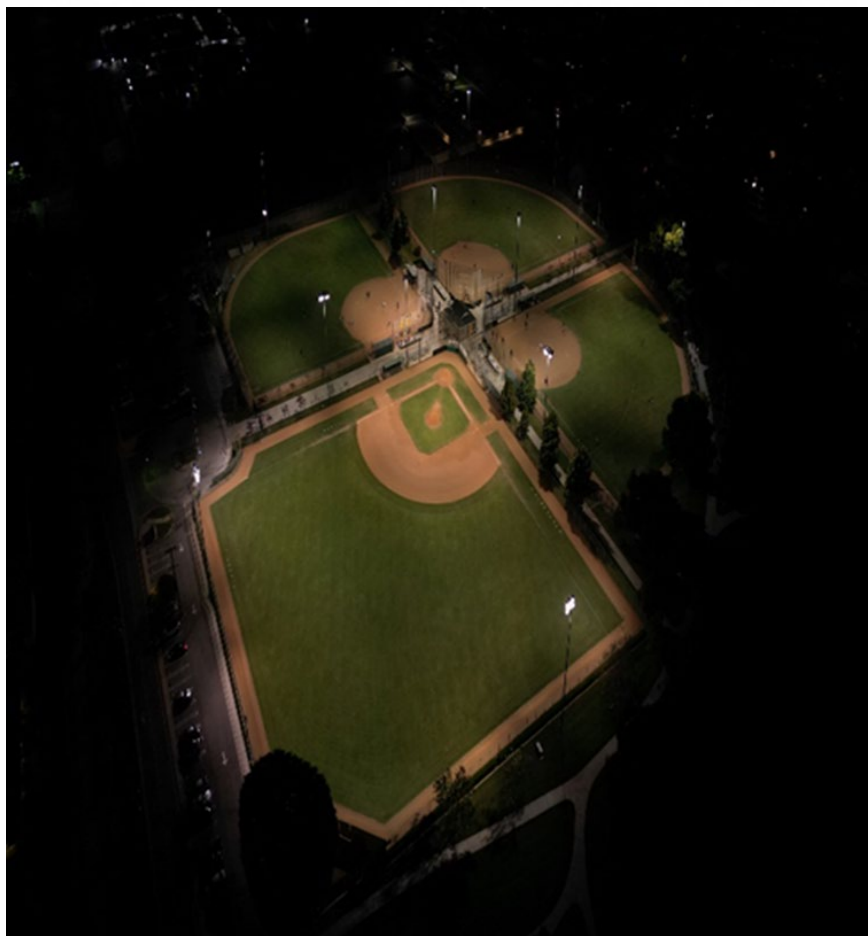


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LED Lighting Improvements TeWinkle Athletic Complex

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LED Lighting Improvements

Report from State
Director Dave Min

Site specific given the type of sport played.

Minimizes light pollution by focusing lighting directly to the playing surface.

Increase efficiency, minimized downtime and reduce maintenance and energy costs by as much as 85%.



Costa Mesa Tennis Center Phase I

Court Resurfacing

- Courts #1 thru 10 were resurfaced.
- Expansion joints leveled
- Cracks and joints repaired
- SportMaster surfacing applied
- Color scheme was updated



Costa Mesa Tennis Center Phase I

Pickleball Courts

Courts #11 and #12
converted to eight
pickleball courts.

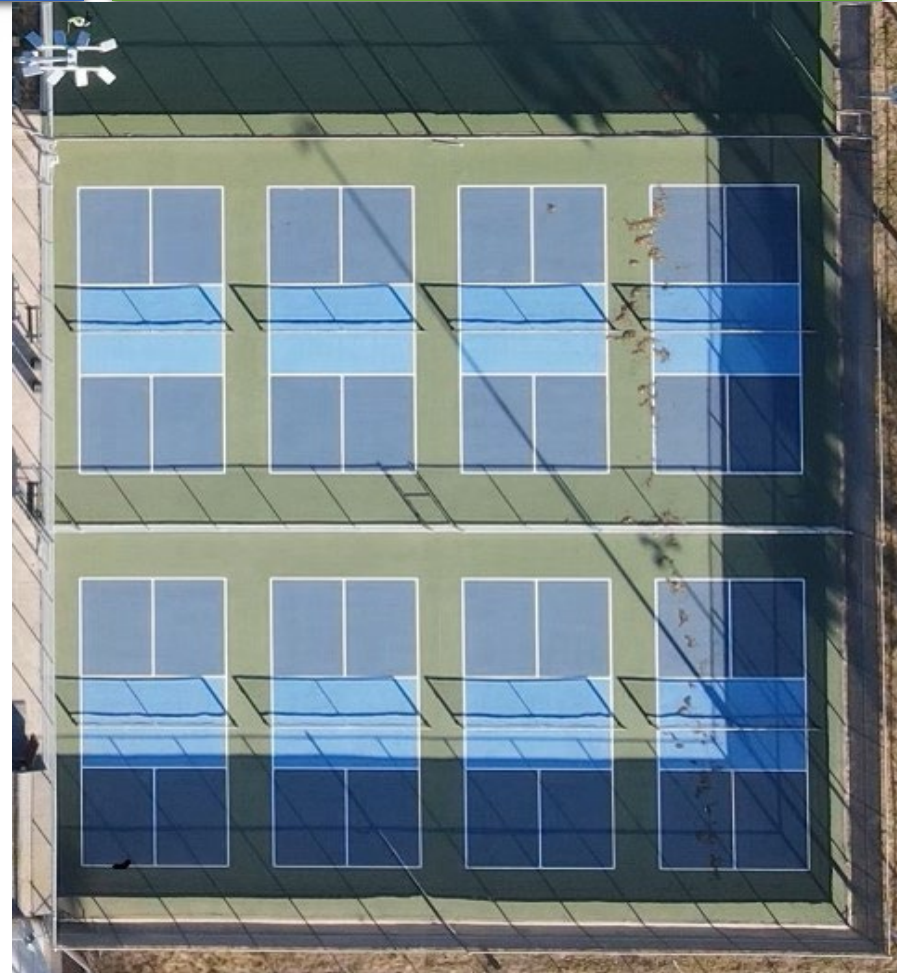
Expansion joints
re-leveled

Cracks and joints
repaired

SupportMaster surfacing
applied

Color scheme was
updated

Posts, posts and
additional fencing
installed



Luke Davis Field Improvements

field was previously
maintained by a user group.

project:

re-compact infield dirt
added in 25 tons of infield mix
laser leveled the infield
rebuilt pitcher's mound and
installed new batters and catcher's
boxes.

drag and water the new field
replaced the infield turf and
outfield arc.

roll and compact the new field.

work will improve the
safety and playability of the
field.



Wimbledon Park Exercise Equipment

exercise equipment was installed in 2008.

The project will replace the aging equipment with new equipment, greatly improving safety, usability and aesthetics.

The project included accessible options.

The project was completed in September 2024.



Questions?



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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Capital Improvement Projects by Funding Source Proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26

Category/Project Title	Gas Tax (HUTA) Fund 201	Capital Improve. Fund 401	Jack Hammett Fund 417	Total
PARKS				
Citywide Tree Maintenance (in Public Right-of-Way)	\$ 200,000			\$ 200,000
Jack Hammett Sports Complex - Field Restoration			\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
Park Parking Lot and Playground Rehabilitation		\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000
Park Security Lighting Replacement		\$ 75,000		\$ 75,000
Park Sidewalk Replacement		\$ 75,000		\$ 75,000
TOTAL PARKS	\$ 200,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 650,000

