

## MEMORANDUM

Date: September 3, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Paul Davis, Parks and Recreation Director

Through: George Garrett, City Manager

Subject: Parks and Recreation Monthly Report

### SEPTEMBER 2021

#### PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT

##### PROGRAMS

- NFL Flag Football season started August 23<sup>rd</sup>. We have opening ceremonies and scrimmages right after the ceremonies with each age group playing for a short period of time. The official games start Monday September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Games will be played on Monday and Wednesday evenings.
- Been in conversation with Marathon Youth Club regarding AYSO soccer. Registrations are taking place online until Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Once the registrations are closed, we are going to meet to discuss coaches, teams, and schedules.
  - As of right now, AYSO soccer practices and games will be on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.
  - Spoke with AYSO Soccer (Shannon-Upper Keys) group about playing in their league this season. Depending on the number of players we have registered some teams may have to travel to the upper keys to play.
- Home School PE continues to meet on Tuesday afternoon from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- We have Start Smart Move and Play (Genesis Villatoro) scheduled to start Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. This program is designed for 2–3-year-old children. The program will run for 8 weeks on Tuesday and Thursday morning.
- In honor of Grand Parents Day – Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, our Recreation Specialist (Genesis Villatoro) will be creating “Granny and Gramps Gift Packages” to be picked up by parents on the 12<sup>th</sup> for their grandparents.
- Our new Rec. Specialist/Maintenance person (Alex Gross) painted checker/chess boards on the concrete tables at the Community Park. He is hosting “Chess at the Park” where he will be giving lessons to anyone interested in learning how to play chess or would like to come out and play for fun. This will be every Thursday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. for 8 weeks
- We are in the planning stages for the Halloween Haunt Event. We couldn’t do the program last year because of COVID. After speaking with Chief Johnson, we are coming up with an alternative plan just in case we cannot guarantee social distancing with some of the activities we have planned. We are looking to host that event on the 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> of October.

## **BEACHES**

### **Sombrero Beach**

- We continue to sanitize and restock the toilet paper in the restrooms in the afternoons and evening hours.
- Rec. Specialist/Maintenance person Alex Gross has been repairing the rusted parts of the playground equipment daily. The process to complete all the areas that need repaired will take about 6 weeks to complete. We are hoping to repair the playground surface area within that time frame as well.
- The kayak ramp is destroyed and no longer available for use. Carlos has reached out to Coral Construction to repair the ramp. In the meantime, the ramp has been barricaded off so no one can access it.

### **Coco Plum**

- Everything is good at Coco Plum Beach

## **PARKS**

### **Jesse Hobbs**

- No issues at Jesse Hobbs Park

### **Community Park**

- Yoga classes continue to happen at the amphitheater Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. They scheduled a full moon yoga session at the amphitheater for the month of July and August during the full moon.
- We have received the bids (RFP's) for the playground structure at the Community Park for review. We're hoping to have this complete by late this year or early next year (2022).
- We're hoping to have the RFP for the playground structure at the Community Park out for bid so we can get moving on replacing the playground equipment.
- Maria (grant coordinator) and I met with the National Fitness Campaign staff to discuss the timeline for the fitness court at the Community Park. We are hoping to have this court ready for use by the end of this year (November or December).
  - I met with Carlos to identify the area where the fitness court will be installed. We will be relocating the Bocce Courts behind the basketball courts and installing the fitness court in the current space where the bocce courts are located.

### **Rotary Park / Dog Park**

- We are resuming our Rotary Park Volunteer committee meeting (via zoom) this month. We are still looking for volunteers for this committee.
- We are looking to start advertising for volunteers, and fundraising opportunities.

### **Ocean front / Events Field**

- All is good at Ocean Front Park