ADMINISTRATION UPDATES SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Lakeview Wading Pool Umbrellas

At its Regular Meeting of July 14, 2025, Council directed Administration to provide umbrellas at Lakeview Park during the summer months. On August 20, 2025, Administration installed five temporary umbrellas around Lakeview Wading Pool to enhance shade in the area. A permanent umbrella is currently in production and scheduled for installation early next season. During the setup, staff received positive comments and observed that occupants of the space actively relocated to take full advantage of the new shaded areas, indicating a positive response to the intervention.













<u>OPERATIONS</u>

43rd Avenue Corridor Improvement Project 2026-01

The construction contract for the 43rd Avenue Corridor Project was awarded. The construction for phase 1 is scheduled to start at the beginning of September, with the irrigation main replacements scheduled for the fall of 2025. Phase 1 includes the Multi-use Path from 32nd Street to 35th Street.

Parks Irrigation Renewal (Project 2024-02)

Construction to renew the irrigation system at Alexis Park began in early July and is progressing on schedule. The park remains closed to the public, with signage posted to inform residents. Irrigation upgrades to the ball diamond and general park areas are complete, while work continues in the horseshoe pit area. The renewed system will improve water efficiency and support long-term sustainability for the park. The park is expected to reopen on September 30, 2025.

Smith Road Drainage (Project 2025-02)

The contractor has mobilized to site and initiated earthworks as part of the City's Priority Drainage Improvement Program. The project includes ditch re-grading and storm main installation to improve conveyance along a high-risk overland flow route identified in the Drainage Infrastructure Prioritization Plan (DIPP). Works are designed to mitigate erosion and enhance stormwater capacity during major rainfall events. The project is on schedule, with construction expected to be completed by November 2025.

Polson Park Naturalization – Phase 2 (Project 2025-03)

The project is on schedule, with construction expected to be completed by November 2025. Recent work includes stream bed construction, installation of woody debris to enhance aquatic habitat, and the installation of a bat relocation habitat, which provides critical shelter and nesting space for displaced bat populations. The downstream tie-in has been completed, with a successful fish salvage, and water is now flowing through portions of the newly constructed stream channel. Work continues on the upstream tie-in and bridge installation. Public access is maintained via a temporary pedestrian bypass and bridge, while the internal park road remains closed to vehicles.

RECREATION SERVICES

Kal Tire Place Score Clock Replacement

The Kal Tire Place Scoreboard replacement project has begun and necessary upgrades to electrical and structural steel are currently being completed.

The original score clock was removed on August 16 and users requiring a score clock have been moved to a different arena. The project is on track for complete installation by September 13.

