



MEMORANDUM

TO: Parks and Recreation Board
FROM: Jessica Carpenter, Director of Community Experiences
DATE: Thursday, May 2, 2024
SUBJECT: May Director's Report

Events Update

May 9 – The Coppell Arts Center Presents: Four Day Weekend at 7:30PM in the Main Hall at the Coppell Arts Center. Tickets are available at www.coppellartscenter.org.

May 10 – Fun, Food, & Grooves in Old Town – Join the Coppell Arts Center for an evening of fun beginning at 6:30PM as they host several food trucks and music from the local DFW band Time Machine.

May 11 & 12 – The Coppell Community Chorale Presents: At the Movies in the Main Hall at the Coppell Arts Center. Tickets are available at www.coppellartscenter.org.

May 18 – Summer Reading Kickoff Event hosted by the Cozby Library and Community Commons. Help us celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Cozby Library! Drop by to celebrate and start this year's summer reading challenge! Join us in Town Center Plaza from 10AM-12PM for games, treats, a giant inflatable slide, and more. Pick up your reading log to begin earning great prizes this summer.

May 19 – The Ballet Ensemble of Texas Presents: Spring Gala at 1PM, 3PM, and 5PM in the Main Hall at the Coppell Arts Center. Tickets are available at www.coppellartscenter.org.

Project Update

Magnolia Park Trail – First phase of project has begun. We expect this project to be completed by the end of the year.

Dog Park Renovation – Design is complete. We are assembling a timeline for the bid process.

Veterans Memorial Project – Samit Patel Design Studio is continuing to finalize the design. We estimate we will go to bid by late summer.

General Updates for the Board

Community Experiences Master Plan– We are continuing the public engagement phase of our master plan process. The community-wide survey and engagement platform are nearing completion. We expect to have the survey live by the end of the month. We have also scheduled the following in person public input opportunities:

- Thursday, June 6 at 6:00PM at the Coppell Arts Center

Wagon Wheel Tennis and Pickleball Center – We are excited to announce that we have selected Joe Weber to fill the role of Wagon Wheel Tennis and Pickleball Center Manager. Joe joined the City on April 29. He brings a diverse background of athletics administration experience across several organizations. We will get him introduced to the Board soon!

Additionally, there have been updates since the two Wagon Wheel-related presentations at the April Board meeting. At the April 9 City Council meeting, representatives from the Pickleball Community presented to Council. At the 5th Tuesday City Council Work Session on April 30, staff presented to Council and provided updates on the ongoing projects and initiatives happening at Wagon Wheel.

Staff are currently working on the following short-term items:

- Striping one (1) additional tennis court which can be converted into two (2) pickleball courts
- Conducting a fee survey and adjusting the non-resident fee by June 1
- Creating additional temporary seating and shade opportunities
- Expanding operating hours
- Adding additional pickleball open play times