

As discussed during March 2022 PRT Meeting:

The Mission Park, Recreation + Tree Commission would like to recommend the following items for budget planning consideration in the year 2022. These actions were chosen with the purpose of helping us align to our mission of creating and maintaining a quality parks system. We feel that implementing these projects will help us better serve the community and secure a more promising future for our parks and trees.

Maintenance Considerations

- repair/replace walkways and trails in Broadmoor and Waterworks park that have degraded and become hazardous
- upgrade/fix broken equipment and park fixtures with an emphasis on items that are safety concerns
- create 5 or 10 year plans for parks that proactively maintain park features, equipment and fixtures

Future Improvement Considerations

- complete all phases of the Mohawk park improvements
- install wifi in parks and invest in sustainable practices such as solar power outdoor workstations
- institute art installations and art activities for the parks, with an emphasis on providing opportunities to diverse and/or under recognized members of our community
- develop garden and/or landscaping features for our parks - including but not limited to bioswales, pollinator gardens, children's gardens and native plantings

Staffing Considerations

- increase staffing dedicated to our outdoor parks by at least one full time and one seasonal part time position
- continue to monitor the potential for staffing growth in the future

Tree Canopy Considerations

- implement a plan for annual tree pruning, preservation and maintenance so that each park's trees are receiving arborist attention at least every 2 to 5 years
- put in place the resources to annually identify city trees and create a system of tree identification signs throughout the community