



## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**THRU:** Douglas J. Hewett, ICMA-CM, City Manager  
Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager

**FROM:** Michael Gibson, Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Director  
Rob Stone, PE, Construction Management Director

**DATE:** August 1, 2022

**RE:**  
Parks and Recreation Bond Projects Report Card

**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):**  
All

**Relationship To Strategic Plan:**

Goal 4: Desirable Place to Live, Work, and Recreate

**Executive Summary:**

City Council will be provided the status of the nine significant Parks and Recreation Bond Projects currently underway, including the Bill Crisp Senior Center, Senior Center East, McArthur Road Sports Complex, the Mazarick Tennis Center, D. Gilmore Therapeutic Center, Mable C. Smith Park, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park, and Cape Fear River Park. Three of the projects include beneficial partnerships with other entities to make the most of available funding. The status of the proposed Glenville Lake Trail Project providing access from Murchison Road, around Glenville Lake, to Mazarick Park, will also be discussed.

**Background:**

In March 2016, Fayetteville voters passed a \$35 million bond referendum for parks and recreation. To date, eight substantial projects have been completed totaling over \$3 million. The completed projects include multiple splash pads, renovations to several parks, the Rowan Street Skateboard Park, and Jordan Soccer Complex improvements. The major projects currently in progress include the Bill Crisp Senior Center, Senior Center East, McArthur Road Sports Complex, the Tennis Center, D. Gilmore Therapeutic Center, Mable C. Smith Park, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park, and Cape Fear River Park. All eight of the remaining bond projects are in the process of design, bidding, or construction. Also, a new project has been proposed which will construct a trail providing access around Glenville Lake from Murchison Road to Mazarick Park.

**Issues/Analysis:**

The major bond projects currently in progress include Bill Crisp Senior Center, Senior Center East, McArthur Road Sports Complex, the Tennis Center, D. Gilmore Therapeutic Center, Mable C. Smith Park, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park, and Cape Fear River Park. From time to time, these projects will come before the council for guidance related to project concept approval, contracts, project updates, bid awards, public bid results, and lease agreements with partnering entities. Also included in the report is the proposed trail around Glenville Lake providing access to Mazarick Park from Murchison Road. The City has experienced significant construction cost increases and supply chain disruptions in the last year, which have resulted in schedule and budget adjustments as they continue to move forward.

**Budget Impact:**

For the significant projects under design and/or construction, the current budgets are as follows:

| <b>Planned Use</b>              | <b>Bond Proceeds</b> | <b>Other Funding</b> | <b>Total Projected</b> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Senior Center East              | \$6,197,900          | \$ 27,900            | \$6,225,800            |
| Bill Crisp Senior Center        | \$8,300,338          |                      | \$8,300,338            |
| McArthur Sports Fields          | \$3,677,663          |                      | \$3,677,663            |
| Jordan Soccer Complex           | \$1,835,241          |                      | \$1,835,241            |
| Mazarick Tennis Center          | \$6,000,000          |                      | \$6,000,000            |
| D. Gilmore Therapeutic Center   | \$ 300,000           | \$ 575,000           | \$ 875,000             |
| Mable C. Smith Park             | \$ 756,660           |                      | \$ 756,660             |
| Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park | \$ 100,000           | \$7,500,000          | TBD                    |
| Cape Fear River Park            | \$2,380,815          |                      | TBD                    |
| Glenville Lake Trail            |                      | \$ 3,000             | TBD                    |

**Options:**

Accept this Parks and Recreation Project report or give further direction.

**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends accepting the Parks and Recreation Project report.

**Attachments:**

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