



CITY OF
FARMERS BRANCH
TEXAS

JOYA

Discussion

CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION | MAY 7, 2024



Background



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Park opened
January 20, 2024



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Parks and Recreation staff
worked through various
operational processes
until April 1, 2024.



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April 1, 2024
Parks and Recreation
Department established
regular operational hours
and processes.



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Current Hours 9 am – 10 pm
Parks staff opens and closes
the park Monday-Thursday
Park is not staffed M-TH
Recreation staff works peak
hours Fri, Sat and Sun,
5 pm-10 pm

Currently



Recreation staff are prioritizing resident use of the park during peak hours.



Parks staff are continuing to work with Kompan, playground manufacturer and the installer on playground construction issues and concerns.



Parks staff has removed items like the zip-line feature until Kompan is able to provide satisfactory solutions of continued use.



Final payment to Kompan will not be paid until some of the equipment issues have been resolved. Staff is working with Kompan to resolve the issues as quickly as possible.



Proposed Improvements

Using Remaining
ARPA Funds for
Joya specific items

Wrought Iron Fence

\$100,000

Security Cameras

\$50,000

Network Connectivity

\$50,000

Additional Security Lighting

\$10,000

Shade Cover at Entry for Staff

\$10,000

\$220,000

Remaining ARPA Funds

Reallocation of Joya's ARPA remaining funds of \$525K can be utilized for improvements to the Detention area/jail at the Justice Center.

It is a qualifying project that can be completed within the grant deadlines.

Joya ARPA Budget available as of 3/31/23:
Fence/Cameras/Lighting/Shade

\$745,000
(220,000)

Remaining Budget

\$525,000

Recommended transfer:

Add'l swap of General fund support to Justice Center
Detention/Jail improvements

(75,000)**
(450,000)

ARPA budget remaining after proposed transfer

\$0

Following estimates for Jail improvements:

- \$250K paint & ceiling tile replacement
- \$100K wall reinforcements
- \$50K replacement gates & add'l parking spots
- \$50K furniture replacement

***This would make Justice Center budget of \$2.9M almost fully supported by ARPA with \$230,000 still needed from General Fund. Justice Center has \$1,305,000 budget supported by General Fund. Resolution on 5-7-24 agenda to swap funding sources with \$1M Mercer Park's ARPA budget.*

Direction

**STAFF IS SEEKING DIRECTION ON
Use of remaining ARPA funds for
the proposed improvements**



ARPA funded projects must begin by the end of 2024



All the identified proposed projects can begin in 2024



Questions?

