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### **Receive Parks and Recreation departmental update.**

#### **BACKGROUND:**

##### **Staff**

Introduction of Elianna Vasquez, Recreation Supervisor - Fitness

Born in Mineral Wells, Texas. Graduated from Tarleton State University with a Masters in Kinesiology. My passion is pursuing a strong faith and a healthy lifestyle. Investing time in God and Family. My hobbies consist of spending time outdoors like hiking and running, reading a good book while enjoying a cup of coffee. Enjoying the evenings with my dog, who is my truest pal, and always brings me happiness. My goal in life is to become a mentor and a strong advocate to the wellbeing of our lives. To help promote positivity, healthy mindset and lifestyle to all around us. My plan for the future is to one day plant roots and build a family so we can continue to enrich the quality in our community's life.

#### **Project updates**

##### **John F. Burke Nature Preserve**

- Trails have been widened
- Helical piers for river overlook and pond overlooks have been drilled
- Grading for the trail is done

##### **Montgomery Park**

- Volleyball court sand is in and post set
- Pavilions are up, tables installed
- Irrigation is being installed
- Landscape is getting ready to go in

#### **Bond package**

Mike Mashburn, Director, presented a potential "Quality of Life" bond at the 7/19 Council meeting at the request of City Council. The bond package could include projects such as Farmers Branch Park, Squire Park, Park at The Branch Connection, Trex pathway at JFBNP, Barn Phase II, and Recreation Center exterior, streets and medians. The Council declined to move forward with a bond package.

#### **Council Budget Retreat**

Mike Mashburn, Director, presented at the City Council's Budget retreat on August 9. Topics he discussed included updates on revenue, grant funding, cost containment, attendance levels, net promotor scores, and awards. He also reviewed the project updates for current projects including John F. Burke Nature Preserve, Mercer Park, Joya Park, Recreation Center Phase II, Montgomery Park, and the Outdoor Hockey Rink conversion. Mike went over potential projects including the Barn, The Branch Connection Renovation, Squire Park, and future enhancements at the JFBNP. Mike then reviewed future considerations for the Parks Master Plan Funding, Resources needed for future successes which includes staff, maintenance funds, and capital replacement funds.