

Project updates:

- Ambassador Playground Planning is underway for the installation of new sidewalk at the park. Quotes for a bench installation plan were received from a vendor on 10/23 and are currently under review.
- Price Road House and Parking Lot A complete set of construction drawings and specs (building renovation and site-civil improvements) were submitted for City review on 10/10. An internal Parks & Rec review meeting was held on 10/23; comments generated from that meeting are being reviewed/assessed before final edit requests will be provided to the design firms. Once the drawings are updated per these final edits, submissions will be made for City approvals / permits. An RFP for construction administration / inspection services was posted on 10/25; proposals are due 11/22.
- Aquatics Master Plan A preliminary floodplain permitting call was held on 10/22 and attended by the lead consultant (Brandstetter Carroll), Parks & Rec staff, the floodplain administrator and the City's floodplain permit review consultant (GPD).
- Academy Park Improvements An amendment with POD design for additional services (including full design of new shelter house) was finalized on 9/20 and will be presented to City Council at their 10/28 committee meeting. A meeting with various stakeholders was held on 10/14 to solicit input on the project design (primarily the shelter house and playground); that stakeholder input is still under review by Parks & Rec staff. Additional stakeholder input will be obtained from others before preferred alternatives are selected for detailed design.
- Academy Mountain Bike Park The construction of the mountain bike trail is 80% complete. An official opening will be delayed to spring due to falling temperatures.
- Action Park Based on public feedback, the Lower McCorkle site will no longer be considered as a potential site for the Action Park. The project consultants, OHM, is progressing forward with determined scope of work, not to include a specific site.
- Golf Course Cart Path A change order with Strawser was executed on 10/2 based on updated drawings / quantities prepared by American Structurepoint. Strawser began construction on 10/3 and is currently scheduled to be complete on 11/1. Stantec has been performing full-time construction inspection and construction administration services.
- Woodside Green / Hannah Park Pond Improvements An RFP for detailed design is currently being prepared with a goal of posting in November.
- Morse Rd Underpass A floodplain permit for this project was submitted on 10/21 and is under review with the City's floodplain administrator. Construction of the improvements will begin in November, weather permitting.
- MORPC Technical Assistance Grant: Grant application submitted October 11th. Award notification mid-November.
- Active Transportation Plan Final document review is in progress. New GIS update from consultant is also in review.



Arbor/Horticulture

• Horticulture

• Weed: Hannah, Headley, Sunpoint, Gahanna Woods, City Hall, herb garden, Vets, Trapp, Creekside, Rathburn, GSP, Upper McCorkle, Friendship, Sign beds

- Weekly water: All planters and pots
- Weekly community garden maintenance
- Plant: Replaced mums damaged by storm
- Arbor
 - o Invasive removal Gahanna Woods prairie
 - Fall street tree planting marking
- Combined tasks
 - Event support (outlined with parks and facilities)
 - o Checked Trails and bike paths for hazard trees and limbs

Planted	0
Pruned	19
Removed	13
Storm/Emergency Cleanup	30
Hazard Inspections	0
Resident/Contractor Calls	13
Resident/Contractor Meetings	0
Stumps ground	29
Zoning Application Reviews	6

Parks/Facilities

- Safety
 - o Weekly safety with Parks teams
 - o 3 damage reports
 - Damage to Avant during tree removal, minor damage reported
 - Damage to non-city property sidewalk during tree removal
 - Generator damaged after being hit by truck backing up
 - o Snow plow training
 - CPR training
- Software
 - City Works
 - 20 SR closed in last 30 days
 - 9 SR currently open
 - 46 WO closed or completed in last 30 days



- 57 WO currently open
- OpenGov reviews
 - 6 planning reviews completed
- City works and See Click Fix meetings with Ebonee and Joe (discuss ongoing issues)
- Project/Ongoing Park tasks
 - Academy Park crack fill basketball court completed
 - Wayfinding and trail signage RFQ preparations
 - GIS schematic planning
 - Field sample test completed, planned conditions assessment scheduled
 - Gahanna Golf Course Deck completed
 - Communication panel project with Schools
 - 3 panels installed, Opening date 10/19
 - o Shull Park
 - Researching cost for temporary skate park
 - Holiday Lights show
 - Planning light installations and tree installation
 - Facility maintenance
 - Added HVAC to restrooms at Friendship, insulated ceilings.
 - Began renovation of back bathroom at GSP
 - Prepared information for engineering firm to provide quote for bridge inspections
 - Friendship park court fence replacement
 - Approved vendor, awaiting reply to schedule
 - Park maintenance
 - Split rail replacements
 - Hannah fence
 - Backstop is failing obtaining quotes for repairs
 - 2024 & 2025 capital equipment
 - Demo golf carts, reviewing quotes for 2025 purchase of approximately 10 carts
- Severe weather/emergency events
 - Heat and drought conditions
 - High wind event October 4, all call
- Event/Recreation support/planning
 - Parks & Rec event planning for year
 - Goblin trail planning and execution
 - o Fireside Sr. Event



Golf Course

- Course maintenance
 - Weekly items -Rolled greens, repaired divots, mowed all areas 2 times per week, blow off debris
 - Water as necessary (through system and hand watering)
 - o Daily tasks
 - Trash, bathrooms, clear debris, cut greens, spray for weeds, bunkers
 - Irrigation head cleaning
 - o Sprayed weeds
 - Aerated and seeded greens

Recreation Division

Senior Programs

• Fall Fireside Feast- The Fireside Feast was held on October 10 at the Hannah Park Shelter House. Seniors enjoyed chili, baked potatoes, desserts, and a hayride provided by our sponsors Taylor Springs, Procore Medicare and REMAX Connections. 59 attendees

• New Classes:

• Zentangle: 10/28-Dec 2 (a six-week program) A meditative art form that involves drawing repetitive patterns. 6 registrations.

- Educational Presentations: 7
 - 10/1- AARP Presentation. Fraud- Staying Connected. 17 attendees
 - o 10/3 Get the Scoop on Medicare. 10 attendees.
 - o 10/8 Meet with the Mayor. 17 attendees
 - o 10/17 Senior Truth Empowerment. 10 attendees
 - 10/24 Get the Scoop on Medicare. 13 attendees
 - o 10/28 OSU Talk with a Doc. 15 attendees
- Other Notable Programs:

Bingo- 10/16 Morning Bingo (31 attendees) and 10/24 Afternoon Bingo (24 attendees)

• 10/3- Baking with Lauren- Sold Out- 12 signed up to make pumpkin coffee cake.

- o 10/9 & 10/23 Bean Bag Baseball had 16 attendees.
- 3 free or reduced cost meals were offered in October.
- 1 day trip and 3 smaller outings were offered in October.

• Outings offered: 10/2 Lunch Bunch, 10/15 Supper Club, 10/4 Lynd's Fruit Farm.



- $_{\odot}$ $\,$ 10/17 Trip to Amish Country- Sold Out with 20 attendees. The group enjoyed lunch and shopping throughout Amish Country.
- \circ 57 people driven in vans.
- Approximately 269.2 miles driven.
- Sponsored Events: 15
- Estimated In-Kind Sponsored Donations: \$2270
- Current Members: 530
 - New Members: 6
 - Renewed Members: 10

Adult Programming

• Pickleball lessons – The Fall session of adult pickleball lessons began on 9/9. Classes run every Monday and Friday with beginner and intermediate lessons for 4 available classes. Enrolled to date: 55. Classes end October 25. Classes were extended by 1 week due to a class rain out.

Aquatics & Safety Programming

• CPR/AED/FA course for the community scheduled on 10/5 was canceled due to low enrollment.

- Parks & Rec staff certified 28 City employees in CPR/First Aid/AED over two
- classes in October

Golf Updates & Course Programing

- Greenskeeper Revenge October 12th and 13th
 - o 178 total participants
- Total rounds played to date: 27,146
- Total memberships to date: 199
- Fall SNAG participants: 8

Special Event & Paddle Programs

• The Campfire at the Park series saw two dates cancelled due to the burn ban. The burn ban was lifted in time for the last two dates. Rice Avenue Park is being rescheduled for 10/30.

- Campfire in the park dates:
 - October 16th at Bryn Mawr Park Saw an attendance of 50.
 - October 30 at Woodside Green Park & Rice Avenue Park
 - Woodside Green saw an attendance of 60
 - Rice Avenue Park saw an attendance of 30.

• The Vision Walk 5k took place on 10/6. This 5k will be used Route B through Creekside.

• 20 volunteers from KEMBA gave our tombstones and coffins a refresh for the Great Gahanna Goblin Fest on 10/15.



• The Spooky Shuffle 5k took place on 10/19. This 5k used Route B through Creekside.

• Chelsea and Nichole began working with Kelsey B. on utilizing OpenGov for 5k Applications, Special Event Applications, and other permits.

• The Great Gahanna Goblin Fest made its return on October 25 at Academy Park from 5:30-9:30pm.

• PlacerAi is currently unable to pull data at Academy Park to provide attendance details.

• Parking: 470 vehicles utilized the parking at Academy.

• The event saw 24 Trick or Treat Trail Stations registered with 22 in attendance

• 732 Hayride spots were sold throughout the evening with three wagons rotating.

Youth & Family Programming

• Parks and Rec Storytime at the library is scheduled for Thurs, 10/17. 30 total in attendance

- Spook up Gahanna judging will take place the week of 10/21. 29 total entries
- Kinderdance classes are scheduled to start on Mon, 10/14. 9 total in the class

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Adult & Senior Programming

• Upcoming Senior Programs

• 11/8 Veteran's Day Breakfast: Sponsored by Rittenhouse Village of Gahanna. Veterans enjoy a free breakfast.

• 11/12 Fall Car Clean Out: Staff will be on site to help clean out senior members' cars to prepare for winter.

• 11/13 NEW! New Member Social: Organized by GASAC, this event is a chance for new members to meet other seniors and get acquainted with the Senior Center. New members can enjoy a free lunch after.

• 11/21 Thanksgiving Meal: Officers from the Gahanna Police Department will be in attendance to help serve a full Thanksgiving meal to Senior Center members. Sponsored by Rittenhouse Village of Gahanna, Sunrise Senior Living, and E-Merge.

• Trips: 11/5 - Columbus Candy Extravaganza (16 registered) and 11/14 Mott's Military Museum (10 registered)



Aquatics & Safety Programming

• CPR/AED/First Aid training scheduled for City Staff on 11/13 has 10 staff signed up.

• Job descriptions for 2025 positions sent to HR by 11/1. Changes include minimum age of 17 for Head Lifeguard (previously 16), and lowering Swim Instructor minimum age to 15 (previously 16).

Special Event & Paddle Programs

- Tyler will be assisting the VFW for their Veteran's Day Ceremony
- The Recreation team will be decorating the Holiday Houses for Holiday Lights
- Holiday Lights is taking place on 11/24

Youth & Family Programming

- Family Hike will take place on Sat, 11/9 at Academy Park
- Storytime with Parks and Rec will take place on Thurs, 11/21 at the Gahanna Library
- Lil Ballers Basketball classes are scheduled to start on Sun, 11/3 at Peace Lutheran.
- Shooting Stars Basketball classes are scheduled to start on Sun, 11/3 at Peace Lutheran.
- Light up Gahanna holiday decorating contest will return for its 2nd year