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Park Playgrounds, Courts, and Exercise Equipment Closed Until Further Notice

To reduce community spread, local park playgrounds, courts, and exercise equipment will be temporarily closed until further notice. This decision was made based on the guidance from public health officials on social distancing, limiting in-person social interactions, avoiding spaces where people congregate in close quarters, and the concerns around transmission of the virus being spread through surfaces.

While playgrounds are closed, parks, trails, and open space that provide for adequate room for social distancing will remain open to the public to use in responsible ways that protect public health and safety. Through this outbreak, local parks and trails have become even more of a haven from the stresses of daily life and the uncertainty we face.

When using parks and trails, the City strongly encourages all users to follow these recommendations.

- Refrain from using parks or trails if they are exhibiting symptoms.
- Follow CDC's guidance on personal hygiene prior to and during use of parks or trails.
- While on trails, warn other users of your presence and as you pass, and step aside to let others pass.
- Follow CDC guidance on the recommended size of social gatherings including outdoor picnicking, pick-up sports and other group hangouts, and always maintain proper physical distance.
- Observe CDC's minimum recommended physical distancing of 6 feet from other individuals at all times. If this is not possible, users should find an alternate location or depart that space.

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