



COLUMBUS PARKS AND RECREATION

Director's Report | September 2026

SUMMARY

Key Accomplishments

Submitted letter of intent to apply for the LWCF for Centennial Park Splash Pad
FY26-27 budget was approved

Aquatics	Parks	VanBerg	Quail Run
Flowrider Service Motor Replacement	Tree Purchases Tree Removal and Purchases Security Cameras 11' Mower Gerrard Park LED Light Conversation Bradshaw Park Scoreboard Track & Long Jump Resurfacing	Roof Replacement	Weather Station New Heads for Greens

Key Updates

Social media stories –input and comments from board members
Planning to do a training session with board members in January – possible times?

DIVISION UPDATES

Parks Maintenance

COMPLETED PROJECTS	Received the 137 trees from Great Plains Nursery
CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS	Centennial court resurfacing Tree planting (40) Tree removals (10)
UPCOMING PROJECTS	Getting restrooms and irrigation ready for the winter
CHALLENGES	Trying to keep up with mowing due to all the rain

Recreation and Programming

COMPLETED PROJECTS	Adult recess on September 10 th Fall & Fright night on September 23 rd (12 participants) USSSA Adult Slowpitch tournament on October 3 rd
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CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS	Booking bands for Beats and Eats 2027 Planning winter programming Preparing for October programs Rescheduling high school athletics due to weather Jake is attending arborist training
UPCOMING PROJECTS	Winter brochure will be released on November 4 th
CHALLENGES	Weather and rain delays

Aquatics

COMPLETED PROJECTS	Closing of the Plunge Ordered all new CPR masks and training masks for both facilities
CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS	Swimming lessons, Session 1 School Day Out swim Working on getting new rescue tubes for the plunge
UPCOMING PROJECTS	Scheduling the Flowrider Service (CIP#27-07)
CHALLENGES	None currently

Aquatic Center Memberships	Aquatic Center/Pawnee Plunge Combo Membership	Aquatic Center Punch Cards	Total Membership
128	19	221	368

Aquatic Center Check-In	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Membership	41	41	33	26	0	0	0	44	32	31	21	1	0	45	34
Punch Card	1	1	2	1	6	0	0	3	3	0	0	1	0	5	6
Admission	1	7	4	0	16	0	0	3	1	2	0	2	0	6	0



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Aquatic Center Check-In	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
TOTAL	43	49	39	27	22	0	0	50	36	33	21	4	0	56	40

Aquatic Center Check-In	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Membership	34	34	24	2	0	46	40	39	27	18	0	0	46	40	38
Punch Card	0	7	1	0	0	4	3	2	0	2	1	0	8	5	2
Admission	2	9	0	19	18	0	0	5	0	5	3	18	6	0	0
TOTAL	26	50	25	21	18	50	43	46	27	25	4	18	60	45	40

Golf Maintenance

COMPLETED PROJECTS	Maintaining course conditions following significant rainfall
CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS	Tree planting process
UPCOMING PROJECTS	Continuing to plan for tree removals and planting Getting the course ready for the winter
CHALLENGES	Frequent rainfall

Golf League Participation	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
QUAIL RUN LEAGUES (489 total)	Men's Scramble (112)	Behlen (54) Ladies (44)	Senior Men (55) Men's (112)	Men's (112)	
VANBERG LEAGUES (203 total)	Men's (85)	GNO (31)			Ladies Scramble (24) Couples (64)

Golf Programming: Coming up

Working on fall simulator leagues, information will be posted soon.



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CAPTIAL IMPROVEMENT UPDATES

Project	Status	Current Update	Next Milestone
Sertomaland Playground	Complete	Complete	N/A
Centennial Park Court Resurfacing	In progress	Rain has delayed the process; initial coat is applied waiting for good weather to proceed	Applying the color
Tree Inventory / Planting Plan	Near Complete	Planting trees, RFQ is open for tree removals	Continuing the planting and removal process

UPCOMING PROGRAMS, EVENTS AND DATES IN PARKS AND REC

Date	Program / Event	Location / Note
October 9 th	Little Fall Cookers	Community Building
October 9-11	CSC Columbus Harvest Cup	Wilderness Park/Memorial Stadium
October 10 th	CHS Marching Band Festival	Frankfort Square/Memorial Stadium
October 16 th	School Day Out Swim	Aquatic Center
October 18 th	Pumpkin Carving	Frankfort Square
October 24 th	Pumpkin Fun Run	Pawnee Park
October 26 th	Swim Lessons Session 2 start	Aquatic Center
October 29 th	Scare on the Square	Community Building/Frankfort Square