

## **Parks Bond Program**

### **Briarwood Park Improvements**

#### **FAQ- Frequently Asked Questions**

- The Briarwood Park Improvements project is funded by the Parks Bond.
- Stormwater improvements are partially funded by the Stormwater Fund.
- The new swimming pool and poolhouse that opened in 2020 were funded by the Parks Bond.
- The coming improvements are based on the approved masterplan of the park.
- The project includes the following:
  - Reconstructing the rec center parking lot with improved lighting, dumpster pad, and EV chargers
  - Resurfaced park driveway off Briarwood Road with new entry sign
  - Stormwater improvements to bring the property into compliance with the current City stormwater ordinance
    - Underground detention below new rec center parking lot
    - 3 Bioswales
    - 2 Detention ponds
  - New, larger community garden
  - Loop trail in wooded area with bridge crossing the stream and spanning the state buffer
  - Removal of driveway entrance off Briarwood Way for pedestrian sidewalk entrance and added sidewalk entrance closer to Drew Valley Rd
- The rec center will be closed from 10/1/23 – 3/1/24 for work on the parking lot and underground detention. The parking lot will be open before the 2024 summer swim season. Groups currently using the rec center have been relocated to other P&R facilities.
- The playground and parking lot on Briarwood Way will remain open.
- The tennis courts and access off Briarwood Road will remain open. The park road will be closed just below the tennis courts.
- Stormwater improvements will slow the release of stormwater from Park property into the channel that flows to Drew Valley Rd. Public Works will continue to evaluate the drainage basin to address current flooding issues along Drew Valley Rd.
- No improvements to the tennis court area are included in this contract. The City is not adding lights to tennis courts located in residential areas. Blackburn Park is the City park that has lighted tennis courts.
- The community garden will have 22, 4'x10' garden boxes, 1 with ADA access. The garden will have a perimeter fence, open potting shed, yard hydrants for irrigation, and electrical outlets.
- A loop trail will be created within the wooded area below the garden. The trail will have a 100', aluminum, pedestrian bridge across the stream. The trail will be pervious concrete and natural mulch. The trail will have 2 entrances off Briarwood Way.
- Removal of the driveway off Briarwood Way will provide a safer pedestrian access to the park and within the park on the loop trail.
- Overhead utility lines from Briarwood Way to the rec center and pool will be placed belowground.
- The glass recycling dumpster will be relocated to the new Public Safety Building parking lot located at 1793 Briarwood Road.

Contact P&R at [parksfeedback@brookhavenga.gov](mailto:parksfeedback@brookhavenga.gov) with any have further questions.