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Bowman Field Baseball Outfield Fencing Repair – Central Status: Complete

This project was completed in early April. The fence went down in a wind storm last fall, and quick repairs were needed to have the fields ready for the 2022 baseball season. Parks is experimenting with a new rubber material located in the grass below the chain link fence to reduce the amount of string trimming needed along the fence line.

Senior Center Courtyard Remodel – Central Status: Planning and public engagement

Parks staff and the Saiki Design-led consultant team held the first community meeting for the Madison Senior Center Courtyard on April 21. The project will renovate the quarter-acre plaza into a small, public park to partially address downtown parkland deficiencies. Community engagement will continue through August, with construction drawings and public works bidding occurring in late 2022 and early 2023. Construction is anticipated to begin in mid-2023, with the park opening in 2024.

All Inclusive Playgrounds 2022 – East and West (Warner and Rennebohm) Status: Rebid

Parks bid the two all-inclusive playgrounds as one contract in mid April. After an error was found in the unit calculations, both bids received were rejected. Parks is considering a rebid, but it is unclear at this time if we will bid both locations or just one location for 2022 construction, and the second in 2023.

Shred to School Single Track at Aldo Leopold Park and the Cannonball Trail – Central Status: Contract Routing

The contract to build the mountain biking trail connecting the Cannonball beltline bridge to Aldo Leopold School was awarded in late April to Rock Solid Construction. Parks is trying a new trail surface material here that we hope will reduce the amount of maintenance needed on the trail surface. Construction will take place over the summer with the trail open in time for back-to-school in the fall.