

# NOTES

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Ann E. Walk, City Manager

DATE: November 21, 2018

SUBJECT: Materials for Your Information


Please find attached the following materials for your information:

1. A memo from Kevin Mulligan, Public Works Director, regarding delineator deployment and RRFB installation
2. A memo from Gary Fenton, Recreation and Parks Director, regarding Westpointe Park repairs

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Attachments

## Memorandum

**To:** Ann E. Wall, City Manager  
**From:** Kevin Mulligan, PE, Director of Public Works   
**Date:** November 20, 2018  
**Subject:** Delineator Deployment and RRFB Installation

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Public Works installed the first of six planned delineator/curbing systems this week as part of its coordinated effort with the Police Department to reduce accidents on City of Greenville roadways.

Charles Boulevard at Smythewyck Drive was the first of these intersections to have the delineator system installed. The delineators will restrict left and through movements from Smythewyck Drive. Public Works removed the left turn lane from Smythewyck Drive on Tuesday.

The City's Public Information Office used social media to alert the general public about the upcoming change, and a member of the Public Information Office hand-delivered a notice of the change to the businesses in the impacted area.

Five other intersections will receive these curbing systems in the coming weeks. They are:

- Charles Boulevard at Oakmont Drive
- Charles Boulevard at Elm Street
- Charles Boulevard at Turnbury Drive
- Greenville Boulevard at Belvedere Drive
- Arlington Boulevard at Wimbledon Drive

Additionally, Public Works installed Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons (RRFB) on Tuesday at the crosswalk near Ficklen Drive on Charles Boulevard in an effort to help increase pedestrian safety in that area.

These button-activated beacons alert drivers that a pedestrian is in the crosswalk using solar-powered flashing LED lights. It is state law that motorists must yield to pedestrians within the crosswalk.



# Memo

**To:** Ann Wall, City Manager  
**From:** Gary Fenton, Director of Recreation and Parks  
**Date:** November 21, 2018  
**Re:** Westpointe Park Repairs

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The newly constructed Westpointe Park, not yet opened, has experienced two instances of vandalism since October 24, 2018. The costliest of the resulting damages occurred at the restroom building, where we are incurring over \$5,000 in repairs.

Recreation and Parks facilitated a meeting with the Westpointe Community representatives at the Vidant Wellness Center on Friday evening, November 16, 2018, to provide an update on park construction, and to discuss ways future vandalism might be mitigated.

Staff from the Greenville Police Department (GPD) and Code Enforcement attended, and gave valuable input on security and crime prevention. Also attending were Parks Planner Lamarco Morrison and myself.

Listed below are the repairs, action steps and security recommendations that were discussed.

## **Restroom Building Repairs**

The restroom contractor, in conjunction with Parks Maintenance staff, is currently replacing damaged fixtures and plumbing. Repairs include:

- Replacement of two porcelain sinks, two stainless steel mirrors, two air vents, three door lock sets and latches.
- Water and sewer line repairs in the plumbing chase (enclosed wall containing the pipes and fixtures).

## **Security Measures**

The following have been or will be installed soon to deter crime and vandalism:

- A security camera has been installed on an existing light pole with a view of the playground area and restroom building. GRPD is working closely with the IT and GPD to install an additional camera for better surveillance coverage.
- “Under Surveillance” signage is being installed by the Parks Division.
- A swinging arm gate and two bollards will be installed at the Gretna Drive park entrance to prevent vehicles from entering the park. The gate will be locked, and can only be accessed by Parks Maintenance staff, Fire/Rescue and GPD.

- GPD has increased patrols in the park area and will continue its presence in the neighborhood.
- GRPD is working with GUC to install additional light fixtures at the park for better visibility at night.
- Neighbors in the Westpointe Community will work to have an on-going presence in the park by forming walking groups, holding community events to discuss crime prevention, and working closely with GPD and Code Enforcement.

We anticipate all repairs will be completed and security equipment installed by early December, and staff will notify City Council in advance regarding details of the ribbon cutting.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

cc: Michael Cowin, Assistant City Manager