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City of San Diego Starts Construction on Improvements to Park in Clairemont

PROJECT WILL PROVIDE FIRST SIGNIFICANT UPGRADES TO OLIVE GROVE COMMUNITY PARK IN 26 YEARS

SAN DIEGO – In an effort to provide more accessible recreational spaces for all San Diegans, Mayor Todd Gloria today joined City staff and community members to kick off construction on the Olive Grove Community Park ADA Improvements project in Clairemont.

“We’re excited to get these improvements at Olive Grove Community Park started and bring welcome park upgrades to the Clairemont community,” Mayor Todd Gloria said. “Our aging infrastructure continues to be one of our biggest challenges, but projects like this highlight our commitment to improving neighborhoods across the city to give San Diegans the parks and facilities that they deserve.”

The total project cost is \$6.6 million, which includes a \$3 million state grant. Planned accessibility improvements at Olive Grove Community Park include upgrades to the restrooms, children’s play areas and walkways to comply with federal and state accessibility requirements. The project scope also features resurfacing the parking lot and basketball courts, replacing portions of the landscaping and irrigation system, and adding new trash enclosures. Construction is expected to be completed in the fall of 2025.

The 9.2-acre park was constructed in 1970 and has been upgraded several times, including a lighting upgrade in 1995 and a children’s playground upgrade in 1998. Since then, the park has not received any significant renovations.

“This groundbreaking marks the beginning of construction on accessibility improvements at the Olive Grove Community Park, after years of planning and design,” said City Councilmember Jennifer Campbell. “Improving accessibility makes our parks more enjoyable for all residents, including those with disabilities, and I am so grateful to our City engineers for their hard work to get us to that point. I look forward to the completion of this project and the reopening of the improved Olive Grove Community Park!”

This park is one of nine expected to be improved in fiscal year 2025, while five new parks are expected to be opened to the public.

The City's Parks and Recreation Department manages over 40,000 acres of park assets, including more than 400 parks, 26 miles of shoreline, 60 recreation centers, 15 pools, 13 skate parks and plazas and three golf courses. For additional information regarding the City's park system, visit sandiego.gov/parks-and-recreation.



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