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**ROSEBURG PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025  
8:15 a.m. Regular Meeting**

**In Person at City Hall Third Floor Conference Room  
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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL:**

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| <u>Chair:</u>         | Ruth Smith  |              |             |
| <u>Commissioners:</u> | Kyle Bailey | Ryan Finlay  | Diana Wales |
|                       | Bob Grubbs  | Joshua James | Vacant      |

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. July 16, 2025

**IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. **Douglas County Baseball Association's Proposal for Year-Round Beer Sales at DCBA Events – Follow-up from 6-18-25**

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** – At this time, anyone wishing to address the Commission concerning items of interest not included in the agenda may do so. The person addressing the Commission shall, when recognized, give his/her name for the record. All remarks shall be directed to the whole Commission.

Comments also can be provided via email to the Commission at [pwd@cityofroseburg.org](mailto:pwd@cityofroseburg.org) or hand delivered to City Hall, 900 SE Douglas Avenue in Roseburg **prior to 12:00 pm on Tuesday, September 2 2025**. Comments must include the person's name and address for the record. The Commission reserves the right to delay any action requested until they are fully informed on the matter.

**V. INFORMATIONAL**

A. **Project Updates**

**VI. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION**

**VII. NEXT MEETING DATE: October 1, 2025**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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**CITY OF ROSEBURG  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
JULY 16, 2025**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting of the City of Roseburg Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 8:15 a.m. Wednesday July 16, 2025, in the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall, Roseburg, Oregon.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Chair Ruth Smith, Commissioners Ryan Finlay, Bob Grubbs, and Tobiah Mogavero

Absent: Commissioners Kyle Bailey and Diana Wales

Attending Staff: City Manager Nikki Messenger, Public Works Director Ryan Herinckx, Parks and Recreation Program Manager Val Ligon, and Department Technician Chanelle Rogers

Others Present: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Commissioner Finlay moved to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2025, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting with correction. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mogavero and approved with the following vote: Chair Smith, Commissioners, Finlay, Grubbs, and Mogavero voted yes. No one voted no.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Fir Grove Turf Project:** Herinckx informed staff have been working with Umpqua United Soccer Club (UUSC) and other community partners on improving the sports fields at the Fir Grove section of Stewart Park. Herinckx said UUSC has had a long-standing agreement with the City to provide a youth soccer program for over 20 years. In August 2020, representatives with UUSC presented a conceptual plan to Commission and requested to make major field improvements to the soccer fields. The plan included removing a section of the grass fields and replacing it with artificial turf for up to two fields, adding lighting, improved parking, drainage, relocation of utilities, and more. At that time the commission recommended to City Council to approve the request to improve the surface of at least one of the Fir Grove fields to artificial turf and add lighting with the condition that all funding is secured prior to beginning the project. Herinckx informed in June 2024 City Council approved utilizing ARPA funding to proceed with the design and floodplain study for the turf improvements. It was also mentioned that staff worked with Thrive Umpqua and Umpqua Health Alliance to get a grant to cover the cost of an archaeological study. Herinckx stated staff have been working with community partners for several years to move this project forward. There is a high demand for field space and by converting two fields into artificial turf and adding lighting, this will greatly increase the capacity of this space to serve more youth and adults in our community. In addition, the spectator areas will be ADA accessible. Chair Smith questioned what the life span is since the infill product is a natural product. Herinckx replied that the turf is 8 – 10 years but he infill doesn't decompose. Herinckx said it would be like the new Roseburg High School softball field. Staff mentioned that Umpqua Health had community meetings regarding their grant program and there was a lot of community support for improving field space. Commissioner Grubbs questioned if a archaeological study hadn't already been done in that area. Messenger stated one was done where the splash pad is at. Commissioner Grubbs asked with all the potential other groups able

to use the field space how that would work for maintenance. Messenger replied that the contracts would need to be redone with the user groups.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Finlay moved to recommend that the City Council authorize staff to begin seeking funding opportunities for the turf field improvements at Fir Grove. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Grubbs and approved with the following vote: Commissioners Grubbs and Finlay voted yes. No one voted no. Chair Smith and Commissioner Mogavero did not vote in accordance with RMC 2.34.060(D).

**Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan Update Park Improvement / Stewart Trust Funds:**

Herinckx informed that staff was in the process of drafting an update to the City's Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Herinckx informed the CIP is separated into several different funds the Parks Commission advises on the Parks Improvement, Bike Trail, and the Stewart Trust funds. Herinckx went over the list of projects that are proposed for the next five years. Chair Smith questioned if staff are looking for additional projects. Herinckx replied there are plenty of projects still left in the master plan. Chair Smith mentioned it would be nice to add a park in the north part of Roseburg.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Grubbs moved to recommend the City Council adoption of the Park Improvement/Stewart Trust Funds components of the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Plan. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Finlay and approved with the following vote: Chair Smith, Commissioners Grubbs and Finlay voted yes. No one voted no. Commissioner Mogavero did not vote in accordance with RMC 2.34.060(D).

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:** Email received and provided to the commission members from Paul Withworth regarding the Fir Grove Turf Project.


**INFORMATIONAL:**

**Project Updates:** Staff gave brief verbal updates on multiple park projects.

**BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION:** None

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** August 6, 2025

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chanelle Rogers". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Chanelle Rogers, Public Works Department Technician



## CITY OF ROSEBURG MEMORANDUM



**DATE:** September 3, 2025

**TO:** Parks & Recreation Commission

**FROM:** Velorie Ligon, Parks & Recreation Program Manager

**VIA:** Ryan Herinckx, Public Works Director

**SUBJECT:** **Douglas County Baseball Association's Proposal for Year-Round Beer Sales at DCBA Events – Followup from 6-18-25**

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### ISSUE STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

Douglas County Baseball Association (DCBA) has requested that the City of Roseburg grant permission to sell beer year-round at games held at city-owned Legion Field (Champion Carwash Field), which is managed by DCBA.

### BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The City owns all of the facilities within Stewart Park, including the American Legion Baseball complex aka Bill Gray Stadium and Champion Carwash Field. The City has had a long-standing relationship with the Roseburg American Legion Baseball Commission (Legion). Legion has requested the assignment of their agreements (Legion Field Management and Operation Agreement and Legion Field Turf Construction License Agreement) to DCBA. DCBA was founded in late 2024 following a request from Legion to take over management. Staff is currently awaiting the IRS's review of DCBA's 501c3 application packet. Once Federal approval is completed, the Assignment can be finalized.

DCBA applied for two Community Event Applications with alcoholic beverages being served. These events were held at Legion Field on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. The event on June 9<sup>th</sup> was a game between the Medford Rogues and the Springfield Drifters, both are collegiate wood-bat baseball teams in the West Coast League (WCL). The game on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> was an annual game where American Legion baseball alumni play the Docs. On the June 15<sup>th</sup> permit, it was noted that it is DCBA's intent to submit a request to Parks Commission for consideration of long-term approval to serve alcohol at Legion Field.

On June 18, 2025, DCBA Board Members attended the Parks Commission Meeting and presented their proposal to sell beer year-round at DCBA events. Steve Loosley discussed the proposal which states how beer sales are imperative to their business model, how they will handle risk mitigation and their responsible service plan, and how this will benefit the community.

The following Risk Mitigation and Responsible Service Plan were discussed at length:

1. All staff involved in beer sales will hold a valid OLCC service permit.

2. Only staff aged 21 and over will be permitted to sell beer.
3. ID checks will be mandatory for all patrons purchasing beer.
4. Service will be limited to three servings per game.
5. No sales will be made to anyone appearing intoxicated.
6. Wristbands will be used to identify those of legal drinking age and to track number of drinks purchased.
7. A section of the stadium will be set aside as a non-alcohol zone.
8. No outside alcohol will be permitted on premises.
9. Sales will cease after the 7<sup>th</sup> inning of the last game played that day.
10. No alcohol marketing or sales will target youth or be conducted in youth areas.

Currently consuming alcohol is prohibited in City parks. Ordinance 7.02.030 Drinking in Public states: Unless otherwise authorized under this Section, no person shall consume alcoholic beverages or possess an open alcoholic beverage container in or on a public way, public property or private property open to the general public, unless such premises or location is licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC), or a special event or temporary sales license has been issued pursuant to this Section and the appropriate fee as established by Council resolution has been paid.

The OSAA has a clear stance on alcoholic beverages at their events and activities. In summary, the OSAA prohibits the use and influence of alcohol and other controlled substances at their events and activities for all attendees, including athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators.

A lengthy discussion ensued, and it was the consensus of the commission to have DCBA bring back more information regarding the request.

### **FINANCIAL/RESOURCE ISSUES**

No financial or resource impacts are expected for the City.

### **TIMING ISSUES**

DCBA is requesting review of the follow-up proposal as soon as practical as they would like to get through the process needed to sell beer at DCBA events in 2026.

### **COMMISSION OPTIONS**

1. Recommend the City Council authorize staff to amend the Legion Field Management and Operation Agreement to allow for the DCBA's proposal for year-round beer sales at DCBA events; or
2. Provide staff with recommendations for amending the agreement and bring back to commission for approval, or
3. Request additional information; or
4. Recommend that City Council reject the DCBA's request to amend the Operation Agreement to allow for year-round beer sales at DCBA events.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff is seeking input from the commission on whether or not to move forward with an amendment to the current agreement, allowing sales of beer at Legion Field.

**SUGGESTED MOTION**

None.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment #1: DCBA's Follow-up Conversation on the Future of Champion Carwash Field

Attachment #2: DCBA Proposal for Year-Round Beer Sales at DCBA events (original proposal)



To: The City of Roseburg Parks Commission  
 From: The Douglas County Baseball Association (DCBA)  
 Date: July 14, 2025

Subject: Follow-up Conversation on the Future of Champion Carwash Field

Thank you for the thoughtful discussion during your June meeting regarding our request for beer sales at the ballpark. We appreciate the questions raised and the opportunity to provide more context. Our hope is to help you see the interconnectedness of our vision, where every decision is made with our central mission in mind—developing youth, strengthening families, and building community without undue burden to the City of Roseburg's budget.

### **Our Mission: More Than Just a Game**

Before we discuss any specific proposal, it's important to restate our "why." For the DCBA, baseball is the vehicle, but our destination is a stronger community. We believe that a youth sports program should put as much emphasis on character development as athletic excellence. A baseball field is where discipline is learned, teamwork is forged, and families gather. Engaged youth and strong families are the bedrock of Roseburg, and they are at the heart of every choice we make.

It is through this lens that we are working to make Champion Carwash Field a more vibrant and sustainable community asset for everyone.

### **Stewardship and Sustainability for a Community Treasure**

As the managers of this city-owned facility, we feel a deep sense of stewardship. Our responsibility is to ensure this facility serves our children and families for decades to come without relying on city taxpayer funds. This requires significant long-term planning, as the field requires upgrades and ongoing maintenance that cannot be sustained by advertising or gate fees alone. Our major projected capital needs include:

- **Field Turf Replacement:** Artificial turf has a finite lifespan. Based on current usage, we are budgeting for a **\$1,000,000** replacement every 13 years, requiring **\$75,000** in annual savings.
- **LED Field Lighting:** An upgrade from the current halogen lights to energy-efficient LEDs is quoted at **\$450,000** net of incentives. This would reduce operating costs and light pollution, allowing for potentially greater field use.
- **Centerfield Practice Area:** A **\$100,000** initial investment to grade and surface the area behind the centerfield fence would create a vital, multi-use practice space for both softball and baseball and significantly increase field utilization.
- **Other Projects:** Future needs also include replacing the aging wooden outfield fence, stadium seating, and restroom facilities.

As you can see in the attached exhibit, our projected net revenue for 2025 is approximately \$40,000, well below what is required to responsibly save for these long-term projects.

### **A Holistic Approach to Financial Growth and Community Engagement**

To close this financial gap and enhance our programs, we are committed to a diverse and sustainable model. Our strategy is focused on creating a more engaging community space, which in turn builds financial health. Our plan includes:

- **Corporate Sponsorships:** Securing or renewing a home plate sponsor in 2026 and adding 15-20 new outfield fence banners.
- **Program Expansion:** Increasing the number of youth camps from one to three annually and growing our Jr. Riverhawks development program.
- **Increased Utilization:** Hosting five to six tournaments annually, up from three this year.
- **Creating New Family Events:** We are developing new ideas like a "Movie Night on the Field," where families can bring blankets and chairs to enjoy a film together under the stars.
- **New Advertising Opportunities:** Creating new sponsor options in programs and on our website.

### **The Role of Beer Sales: Enhancing the Family Experience**

Another key part of this holistic approach is enhancing the fan experience. As one commissioner noted, "[for many] there's nothing more refreshing than a cold beer on a hot afternoon at a baseball game." Offering beer is not about the alcohol itself; it's about improving the social, communal aspect of a day at the park for adult fans. We believe this amenity will make events more appealing, which will naturally lead to better attendance, a more vibrant atmosphere, and encourage spectators to spend more time at the field.

- **Financial Contribution:** We project modest net revenue. For example, at a game with 400 attendees, if 20% of adults buy an average of 1.5 beers, our net profit would be approximately \$250 per game. After factoring in insurance and labor costs, the net contribution is helpful. While not transformative on its own, over time, the cumulative and dynamic effect will help to drive growth and achieve our mission.
- **Strategic Contribution:** This revenue will be reinvested directly into scholarships, equipment, and facility maintenance. This ensures that our programming remains accessible to all youth, regardless of economic ability, and that the city will not need to use public funds for capital improvements at the field.

### **Our Commitment to a Safe and Wholesome Environment**

We want to assure the Commission that this amenity would be managed with the utmost care. As detailed in our June 10 proposal, our robust risk management plan includes:

- **Certified and Trained Staff:** All servers will be over 21 and hold a valid OLCC Alcohol Service Permit.



- **Strict ID Checks and Limits:** We will enforce mandatory ID checks and use wristbands to track the three-serving limit per person. No one appearing intoxicated will be served.
- **Controlled Environment:** Beer sales will cease at the end of the 7th inning of the last game played, and a non-alcohol zone will be established in the stadium. No outside alcohol will be permitted.

## **Conclusion**

Beer sales are not a single solution to a financial problem. They are one thoughtful piece of a much larger puzzle. Our aim is to develop a vibrant community hub where baseball helps build character and bring families together, all accomplished through careful stewardship and innovation rather than city-funded capital improvements. By pursuing a variety of ideas—from youth camps and movie nights to an enhanced adult fan experience with responsible beer sales—we believe we can secure the long-term future of this wonderful facility and the programs that call it home.

**Exhibit 1**  
**DCBA Budget**

|  | <b>2025</b>               |
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|  | <b><u>Projections</u></b> |
| <b>Revenue</b>                               |                           |
| <b>Donations</b>                             | \$20,000                  |
| <b>Advertising</b>                           |                           |
| Outfield Signs                               | \$40,000                  |
| <b>Concessions (lease to UCC)</b>            | \$1,000                   |
| <b>Beer Sales</b>                            | \$400                     |
| <b>Field User Fee</b>                        | \$30,000                  |
| <b>Field House User Fee (monthly rental)</b> | \$1,600                   |
| <b>Gate Fees</b>                             | \$25,000                  |
| <b>Players Fee</b>                           |                           |
| Docs Clint Newell                            | \$8,000                   |
| Bigfoot                                      | \$5,600                   |
| Randols                                      | \$4,800                   |
| New Development Team(s)                      | \$0                       |
| Fall Ball                                    | \$11,200                  |
| <b>Swag</b>                                  | \$1,000                   |
| <b>Team Sponsor</b>                          | \$30,000                  |
| <b>Tournaments</b>                           |                           |
| Tournaments                                  |                           |
| Fathers Day                                  | \$0                       |
| July 4th Tournament                          | \$1,500                   |
| Tournamet Sponsors                           | \$3,000                   |
| Fall Ball Tournaments                        | \$3,000                   |
| Kids Camp                                    | \$500                     |
| <b>Field Naming Rights</b>                   |                           |
| Naming Rights                                | \$19,000                  |
| Home Plate                                   | \$0                       |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                         | <b>\$205,600</b>          |
| <b>Expenses</b>                              |                           |
| <b>Baseball Operations</b>                   |                           |
| Equipment                                    | \$5,000                   |
| Uniforms                                     | \$8,000                   |
| Travel                                       | \$25,000                  |
| <b>Field Operations</b>                      |                           |
| Operations                                   | \$16,000                  |
| Gate staffing                                | \$2,500                   |
| <b>Payroll</b>                               |                           |
| Coaches and Director                         | \$54,000                  |

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| Umpires                                | 12,800           |
| <b>Admin</b>                           |                  |
| Insurance                              | \$25,000         |
| Misc/other                             | \$17,200         |
| File 990                               | \$3,000          |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                  | <b>\$168,500</b> |
| <b>Net Income (Projected for 2025)</b> | <b>\$37,100</b>  |

#### **Opportunities to Grow our Revenue**

- 1 Outfield fence banners (room for ~15 to 20 more)
- 2 Kids camp (run one or two more camps)
- 3 Increase the number of tournaments
- 4 Grow attendance
- 5 Create new advertising opportunities (e.g., programs, website, field)
- 6 Add a second development team
- 7 Secure a home plate sponsor
- 8 Increase our donor base
- 9 Sell beer



### **Proposal: Year-Round Beer Sales at Douglas County Baseball Association Events**

The Douglas County Baseball Association was founded in late 2024 following a request from Legion Baseball to take over management of the Douglas County Baseball program and management of Champion Carwash Field. Since then, the organization has invested in improvements at the Field and the business model to ensure a strong future for this important aspect of youth sports in Douglas County. The board, staff, and volunteers of DCBA would like to thank Roseburg City staff for their support and help during this time. The organization is committed to supporting youth sports and the development of young people in a program that puts equal emphasis on character development and athletic excellence.

DCBA respectfully requests that the City of Roseburg grant permission to sell beer year-round at games held at the city-owned baseball field managed by DCBA. This proposal outlines the imperative nature of beer sales to DCBA's business model as a small non-profit, the benefits to the community, and the robust risk mitigation plan to ensure responsible and safe operations.

### **Why Beer Sales Are Imperative to DCBA's Business Model**

#### ***1. Essential Revenue for Facility Upgrades and Maintenance***

- The field managed by DCBA requires significant upgrades and ongoing maintenance, which are costly and cannot be sustained by registration fees, gates fees, or modest concessions alone. Many community sports organizations depend on alcohol sales as a critical revenue stream to fund field upkeep, equipment, and facility improvements. Well monitored and modest beer sales at the field will ensure that the city will not need to use public funds to address capital improvement needs at the field.

- Beer sales can constitute a substantial portion of total concession revenue—up to 55% in some venues—providing a reliable, recurring source of funds for non-profit sports organizations.

- As a non-profit serving all of Douglas County's youth baseball, DCBA's ability to generate additional revenue through beer sales directly supports its mission to provide safe, high-quality facilities and programming for local families.

## *2. Enhanced Fan and Community Experience*

- Offering beer at games aligns with the expectations of many adult fans and community members, making events more appealing and increasing attendance and engagement.

- The availability of beer can encourage spectators to spend more time at the field, supporting local vendors and fostering a sense of community, which is vital for membership retention and volunteer participation.

## *3. Keeping DCBA Competitive and Sustainable*

- In a landscape where entertainment options compete for community attention, providing amenities like beer sales helps DCBA remain competitive with other venues and events, ensuring long-term sustainability.

- Revenue from beer sales can be reinvested into scholarships, equipment, and expanded programming, directly benefiting local youth and families. An important aspect of DCBA's mission is to ensure all youth, regardless of background or economic ability, are able to participate in the program. These funds will ensure that scholarships and support is available to all athletes.

## **Risk Mitigation and Responsible Service Plan**

DCBA is committed to upholding the highest standards of safety and responsibility in all alcohol sales. The following measures will be implemented:

### *1. Staff Training and Certification*

- All staff and volunteers involved in beer sales will hold a valid OLCC Alcohol Service Permit, ensuring they can identify intoxicated patrons, check IDs, and intervene appropriately.

- Only staff aged 21 and over will be permitted to serve alcohol.

### *2. Strict ID Checks and Service Controls*

- ID checks will be mandatory for all patrons purchasing beer, regardless of apparent age.

- Beer will only be sold to individuals 21 and older.

- Service will be limited to three servings per game, and no sales will be made to anyone appearing intoxicated.

- Wristbands will be used to identify those of legal drinking age and to track the number of drinks purchased.

### *3. Controlled Service Areas and Hours*

- A section of the Stadium will be set aside for a non-alcohol zone.
- No outside alcohol will be permitted on the premises, making it easier to monitor and control consumption.
- Beer sales will cease at the end of the 7th inning of the last game played (e.g., in a doubleheader, sales end after the 7th inning of game two).

### *4. Security and Incident Response*

- Incident reports will be documented, and any violations will be addressed promptly in collaboration with local law enforcement and city officials.

### *5. Community and Youth Protection*

- No alcohol marketing or sales will target youth or be conducted in youth areas.
- Alcohol-free events and family-focused activities will continue to be a core part of DCBA's programming, ensuring inclusivity for all community members.

### **Community Benefits and Precedents**

- Research shows that controlled, in-venue beer sales can reduce pre-event binge drinking, lower alcohol-related incidents, and improve overall event safety compared to unregulated consumption outside the venue.
- Many municipalities and community venues have successfully implemented similar policies, resulting in increased revenue, improved fan experience, and decreased alcohol-related issues.

### **Conclusion**

Granting DCBA permission to sell beer year-round is vital for the financial health of the association and the continued improvement of the city-owned field. With a robust risk management plan and a commitment to responsible service, DCBA can safely provide this amenity, generating essential revenue for maintenance and upgrades while enhancing the community experience. DCBA looks forward to partnering with the City of Roseburg to ensure the long-term success of youth baseball in Douglas County.

June 10, 2025



## CITY OF ROSEBURG MEMORANDUM



**DATE:** September 3, 2025

**TO:** Parks & Recreation Commission

**FROM:** Velorie Ligon, Parks & Recreation Program Manager

**VIA:** Ryan Herinckx, Public Works Director

**SUBJECT:** Project Updates

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The following is a brief status update of current Parks projects.

### Brown Park

On February 24, 2025, Council authorized the purchase of playground equipment and surfacing material for the Brown Park Expansion Project. Playground equipment and surface material arrived in early August. Construction is expected to begin mid to late September.

### Fir Grove Soccer Field Turf Project

Field size, layout and site grading have been determined. Fir Grove is located within the floodway of the South Umpqua River. The consultant has confirmed that the project will have no impact to the floodway. With the help of Thrive Umpqua, an Umpqua Health Alliance Grant was secured to pay for the Archaeological Survey of the project area, since the project will likely be funded with state grants and may require a FEMA floodplain development permit. With the help of the CCD Business Development Corporation, staff submitted a SHARE (Supporting Health for All through Reinvestment) grant through Umpqua Health Alliance, a decision is expected this fall. Staff are anticipating submitting a grant application with Oregon Parks and Recreation Department in Spring of 2026 for partial project funding.

### Stewart Park Tennis and Pickleball Project

Currently the outdoor tennis and pickleball courts are closed as construction has begun. City staff and Umpqua Valley Tennis Center's Directors worked with i.e. engineering to finalize the design. The project went out to bid and the contract was awarded to JRT Construction of Oakland. Underground utility work is complete, perimeter concrete curbing and base rock have been installed. The contractor is anticipating paving the first week of September.

### Sunshine Trails

The entire park is now completely within the City's jurisdiction. OPRD issued Notice to Proceed on July 21, 2025. Staff are working on finalizing design and putting together bid documents.

### UACT Renovation Project

UACT submitted preliminary site plans for a pre-application meeting held on May 14, 2025. UACT has received City review comments from and is currently working on furthering the renovation design.

*Umpqua Health Alliance – Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)*

At the April commission meeting, Jess from Thrive Umpqua presented information about Umpqua Health Alliance's Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), and the funding opportunities they offer. Jess informed commission that community stakeholders came together and brainstormed potential projects in our parks that would positively impact the health and well-being of Douglas County. We were just informed that our Parks Improvement Application has been awarded a \$110,000 CHIP grant. UHA followed this grant award with an \$85,000 award for a shade structure at the skate park.

**Skate Park:** Staff are currently working on design for the installation of a drinking fountain and shade structure at the skate park. UHA Grants for this work total \$95,000.

**Fir Grove Archaeological Work:** A contract has been signed with Archaeological Investigations Northwest (AINW) for this work. Investigation will include permitting, pedestrian walkover, 12 shovel test pits and curation of up to 12 artifacts. UHA Grant for this work, \$35,000.

**Stewart Park Natural Area:** Staff are working with the Tracker Foundation to clear invasive plants in the natural area between the Duck Pond and Stewart Parkway. Work is expected to be done in October. UHA Grant for this work, \$40,000 and the Ford Family Foundation, \$14,000.

**Stewart Park Master Plan:**

The current master plan for Stewart Park is 25 years old. Staff are working with consultants to put together a scope and fee for a new master plan. UHA Grant for this work, \$25,000.