

Let's Play!

TO:

Karlene Fine

Industrial Commission
State Capitol 14th Floor

600 E. Boulevard Ave. Dept. 405

FROM:

Greg Smith

Bismarck Parks & Recreation District, Operations Director

DATE:

September 24, 2015

RE:

OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND GRANT

Trailhead/Neighborhood Park Final Report

Karlene,

The work is complete at the Trailhead/Neighborhood Park. On Wednesday, September 23 the park was officially dedicated in honor of the father of Phil Gisi. The park will now be known as Johnny Gisi Memorial Park.

The playground project, including play areas for 2 – 5 year old and 5-12 year children, as well as swings and open picnic shelter, is now complete and open for play.

BPRD bid out the remainder of the work at the Trailhead/Neighborhood Park in February, including all concrete and paving work, the installation of the pickleball courts and the addition of additional site amenities and interpretive signs. Bids were received on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 1:30pm. The bid was awarded to Weisz & Sons, Inc., who submitted the lowest bid, in the amount of \$307,192.55. This bid price includes all proposed alternates. The work was completed over the summer and is now finished and the park is open.

BPRD has also worked with a local community garden group, who has submitted for and received a Bismarck Parks and Recreation District matching grant to bring water from the street to the community gardens location so that the community gardens might have a close by source of water. The water service installation is now complete and 3 hydrants are in place for gardeners to use.

The park also includes one new feature, which is a pollinator garden. This project was initiated and installed by a local group, The Lewis and Clark Wildlife Club, and adds one more way to enjoy and learn about nature and conservation in this park.



<u>Trailhead/Neighborhood Park - Concept Plan</u>
Bismarck, North Dakota

11.20.2013







OVERLOOK/POLLINATOR GARDEN



Outdoor Heritage Fund Status and Final Report Form/Guidelines

This report is used to show progress of grant projects funded through the Outdoor Heritage Fund.

Status Reports and the Final Report must be submitted as required in Contract.

Contract Number 001-008 Report Date Sept 24, 2015 Period Covered by Report

5/1/15-9/24/15

Project Name

Trailhead / Neighborhood Park

Project Sponsor Name

Bismarck Parks & Recreation District

Responsible Official (Last, First Middle)

Smith. Greq

Responsible Official's Title
Operations Director

Project Sponsor Address

400 East Front Avenue

City State Zip Code Telephone Number Bismarck ND 58504 (701) 222-6455

Financial Update

Please provide the following information regarding the funding for your project based on the contract award:

Funds Spent this Reporting Period

(As appropriate please provide copies of receipts for purchases)

Match Funding \$ 217,009.97

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding Requested for Reimbursement \$94,500

Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$ 311,509.97

Total Funds Spent to Date

Match Funding \$ 324,297.87

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding Received and Requested for Reimbursement \$ 105,000

Total Funding Expended to Date \$ 429,297.87

Balance of Grant Funds

Match Funding \$ 0

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding still to be Requested \$ 0

Total Funding to be Expended on this Project \$ 429,297.87

Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension / / Yes / X_/ No

If yes, please explain.

Work Completed during Period Covered by Report:

(This information will be posted on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Industrial Commission website)

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Work completed this summer included the following:

- paving of the pickleball court and all access paths
- court pavement surfacing
- playground curb
- four park benches
- a pedestrian bridge
- all landscape plantings and seeding
- lighting
- interpretive signs
- below ground automatic irrigation

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Photos of work completed are welcome (If appropriate, please submit photos of key elements of the project completed or in progress during reporting period) Do not exceed five photos per project report.

Signature of Responsible Official

The project reports shall be provided to the Commission in both electronic and hard-copy formats with permission for unrestricted distribution. The electronic versions shall be in a suitable format for posting on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Commission website.

Johnny Gisi Memorial Park Dedicated September 23, 2015

Trailhead/Neighborhood Park Features

3.5 acres of developed neighborhood park overlooking an addition 12 acres of conservation land

- Playground Area
 - o Composite structure with canopies for ages 5-12
 - o Sand play area with canopy for ages 2-5
- Open picnic shelter
- Two youth tennis/pickleball courts
- Trailhead with access to the Edgewood Trail (approx.
 2.5 miles) including connections to 43rd Ave., Century Avenue, Legacy High School, and Centennial Road
- Community gardens with water access
- · Overlook area with interpretive signs
- Pollinator Garden
- Parking lot
- · Trees and shrubs

Project Costs:

• \$485,000

Project Partners:

- Phil Gisi Family
- Lewis and Clark Wildlife Club Pollinator Gardens
- ND Outdoor Heritage Fund
- Bismarck Community Gardens
- Bismarck Parks & Recreation District













