



Chapel Hill Parks and Trails Assessment

Presentation to Town Council

November 23, 2009



Ephesus Park



Oakwood Park



Cedar Falls Park



Community Center Park & Administrative Offices

Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation
Department



Hargraves Park



Umstead Park



Hargraves landscape before



Hargraves landscape after



Hargraves landscape after



Hargraves landscape before



Cedar Falls Park steps before



Cedar Falls Park steps after



Homestead Soccer Field before



Homestead Soccer Field after



Other Improvements



Cedar Falls Steps Before



Cedar Falls Steps After



Other Improvements



Picnic Shelter and Playground at
Hargraves Center



Softball Field Lights at
Homestead Park



Expectations



AD Clarke Pool at Hargraves Center



Community Center Landscape



Expectations



Southern Community Park

Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation
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Actions since the release of the report

- Restructured the Park Maintenance and Landscape Services Division
 - Created specialized maintenance teams for athletic fields, cemeteries and playground safety.
 - Began contracting the landscape maintenance on major roadways with a pilot project on NC 54.



Actions since the release of the report

- Maintenance Management Planning
 - Developing maintenance management plans for all Town parks and trails. Completion Date: December 31, 2009
- Outdoor Athletic Field Lighting
 - Installed new athletic field lights that are more energy efficient and meet current lighting standards for play.
 - Homestead Park softball fields, Cedar Falls fields 2,3 and 4, Hargraves softball field and Ephesus Tennis Courts.



Recommendations

- Develop a comprehensive master plan.
- Authorize the development of a financial plan for parks and recreation capital development.
- Increase the amount of funding in the parks and recreation maintenance operating budget for items such as contract mowing and repair work in the 2010 – 2011 fiscal year operating budget.
- Increase funding in the Small Parks section of the Capital Improvement Program to address small capital renovation projects within the parks and trails system.