



## City of Hastings Parks & Recreation

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### PRC Updates – October 2014

Dog Park: So close... the parking lot is complete and the fencing is nearing completion! Our crews have been working on tree pruning, removal of dead and hazardous trees, and soil preparation in the west half of the park. I met with a couple of park “advocates” to discuss rules and regulations for the park, and I believe we landed on what is “right” for the Hastings Dog Park. I’m working to get those signs printed and installed. We have dogi pot stations to install, will place some portable picnic tables and a couple of benches in the park yet this fall. We are also working to solidify plans for dog drinking water at the park as well.

Pioneer Park Shelter: after the delay the shelter is finally complete! We have the picnic tables to secure under the shelter and will work on that project in the next week or so. We will also look to see if we have enough remaining funds to pull electricity and hook up a security type light fixture in the shelter.

Wallin Park Improvements: the neighbors indicated the top two priorities were a basketball court and some age 2-5 play equipment. I have been working with contractors to get solid prices on each of those components and will look to move forward with both very soon. Likely the installation will not occur until 2015, but we will get everything lined up and ready to go.

Riverfront Renaissance: phase 1 of the RR has been bid and the project is on track to break ground yet this fall. Parks and Public Works have a preconstruction meeting scheduled with the contractor on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of October. This meeting will help to detail the scope of work and the project timelines.

Community Halloween Party: once again we are partnering with Community Education and the YMCA to host this great community event at the High School on Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Volunteer workers are always needed, so if you or someone you know is interested, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department (myself, Phil Vargas or Kristin Behrens).