

TITUS SPARROW PARK CONSTRUCTION UPDATE JULY 2024

Thank you for your patience and continued interest in this project. Titus Sparrow Park is an important green space for the South End community, and we understand that having the park closed for the duration of construction is difficult for many. We appreciate your patience during our renovation, and the park is still on track for reopening in late fall 2024. Please note that Titus Sparrow Park summer and fall programming will not take place in the park, but will be up and running again in 2025.

DESIGNER: Halvorson | Tighe & Bond

CONTRACTOR: ANJ Construction

Construction notices have been hung at the tennis court because be closed on and off this summer for site wall repair, chain link fencing replacement, crack repair, and resurfacing. For now, the tennis court will be closed until further notice (most likely until the 3rd week of September). The contractor and BPRD team has been doing our best to open and close the tennis court as work has been completed in order to allow the community to use the courts as much as possible (though the typical practice is to close the courts for the entire duration of construction from Jan 2024 – Oct 2024), but we have received emails indicating this has understandably caused confusion. The contractor needs to continue to work on the tennis court on and off for the next 2 months (chain link fence replacement, site furnishing installation, net and post installation + curing time, and resurfacing + curing time). Please understand that construction sequencing is tricky and schedule adjustments happen frequently. Contractors frequently need to shift the order of the site work around due to the weather, material availability, and other factors that are not always controllable. Rather than opening and closing the courts for a few days when possible, we will plan to keep them closed until all the work is complete in order to alleviate any confusion and not set any false expectations.

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED AS OF JULY 2024:

Site Improvements

- Tennis court site work
 - o Repointing of site walls
 - o Repaired the site walls with fresh concrete
 - o weeded cracks around the base of the walls
 - o Site walls have a few coats of paint
 - New concrete sidewalk at stair down to courts
- Concrete score lines and expansion joints added
- Site furnishings installed at basketball courts
- Site furnishings at play area laid out
- Companion seating finalized
- Concrete walkways at playground installed
- Playground CPSI inspection completed
- Correct backboards installed
- Passive use lawn weeded and repaired

CONSTRUCTION LOOK AHEAD:

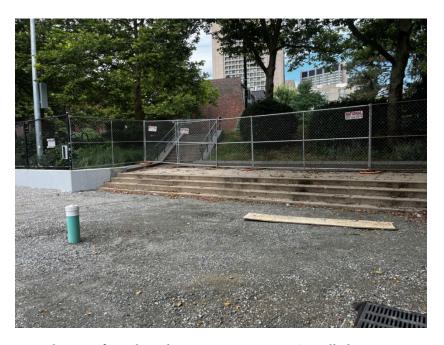
What to expect in the next few weeks:

- Chain link fence replacement at courts
- New asphalt surfacing at Basketball court
- New handrails at basketball courts
- New ADA accessible concrete driveable ramp at basketball court
- Poured in Place Safety Surface installed (3rd week of August)

SITE PHOTOS:



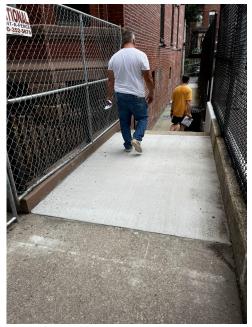
Site furnishings at basketball courts and basketball backstops installed ${\bf SITE\ PHOTO\ 7/18/2}$



New cleanout for subgrade stormwater system installed! SITE PHOTO 7/18/24



Curb wall at basketball court repaired and freshly painted. SITE PHOTO 7/18/24



New concrete sidewalk installed at Tennis Courts! SITE PHOTO 7/18/24



Site walls at Tennis Courts have been repaired and repainted! SITE PHOTO 7/18/24

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OTHER ITEMS:

Please use 311 to document non-emergency issues relating to park use, and 911 for emergency situations relating to public safety.

Construction questions and concerns can be directed to Nellie Ward, Project Manager (nelle.ward@boston.gov)

 $Project\ Website: \underline{https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-\underline{titus-sparrow-park}}$