



## Update on Murray Park Pavilions

If you have been in Murray Park lately, you've likely noticed that most of the old pavilions have been demolished to make way for new and improved ones. The old pavilions were built in the early 1970s and have required extensive maintenance to keep them in acceptable condition. Over the past few years, it became evident that the structures were deteriorating, and repairs were becoming almost as costly as replacements. In fiscal year 2020, the city council approved funding to replace all the pavilions.

Pavilions 1 – 4 are currently under construction. Initially, we planned for them to be complete by mid-May, but COVID-19 restrictions resulted in shipping delays for materials. We are working quickly to complete the pavilions, but we are also being diligent about not cutting corners and ensuring that the structures meet all safety standards. The capacity of the pavilions remains the same, with 1, 3 and 4 holding 100 people, and pavilion 2 holding 300 people.

Pavilion 5 will be replaced in the upcoming budget year and will include a performance stage and public restrooms. This pavilion is being designed to increase capacity. Currently, it accommodates 300 people, but the new pavilion will hold 400.

If you have a pavilion reservation in the next few weeks, you are encouraged to contact the parks office at (801) 264-2614 if you have questions about availability. Keep in mind that social gathering guidelines must be adhered to when using park facilities.

We are excited about the new pavilions and hope they will serve the community for another 40 years!