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# City of San Diego Begins Project to Upgrade Outdated Park in Scripps Ranch

## PROJECT WILL PROVIDE FIRST SIGNIFICANT UPGRADES TO JERABEK PARK IN NEARLY 30 YEARS

SAN DIEGO – In an effort to provide more accessible and safe recreational spaces for San Diegans to enjoy, Mayor Todd Gloria, City Councilmember Marni von Wilpert and State Assemblymember Brian Maienschein today joined City staff and community members to kick off construction on the Jerabek Park improvements project in Scripps Ranch.

**“High-quality parks are essential amenities in all neighborhoods, and these improvements to Jerabek Park exemplify our ongoing efforts to upgrade outdated parks and open new parks in communities that need them,” said Mayor Todd Gloria. “I’m grateful to Assemblymember Maienschein for securing \$4 million in state funding – more than half the total construction cost – for this project.”**

The \$7.6 million project will provide the community with new amenities for people of all ages. Improvements include two children’s play areas, fitness equipment, a restroom and concession stand, a picnic shelter, sidewalks and bleachers that are accessible for all users, a resurfaced parking lot and other park furnishings. Construction is expected to be completed in the summer of 2024.

**“Thank you so much, Mayor Gloria, Assemblymember Maienschein and former Councilmember Mark Kersey, for ensuring state funding reached this vital part of our Scripps Ranch community,” said City Councilmember Marni von Wilpert. “I was happy to support this project at every opportunity, and the changes and accessibility improvements to our park facilities will transform experiences of children and families at Jerabek Park today, and for future generations.”**

Jerabek Park was built in 1984 and included an amphitheater and a comfort station and concession building. A decade later, a kid’s playground was added to the park. Since 1994, the park has not received any significant renovations.

This park is one of 18 parks that are expected to be improved in fiscal year 2024, while three new parks are expected to be opened to the public.

**“As an Assemblymember and former Councilmember who has represented Scripps Ranch, I’m thrilled to see the renovations to Jerabek Park are already underway,” said State Assemblymember Brian Maienschein. “The \$4 million I secured for ADA improvements will make the park accessible to all residents in our community.”**

The City’s Parks and Recreation Department manages more than 40,000 acres of park assets, including more than 400 parks, 26 miles of shoreline, 60 recreation centers, 14 pools, seven skate parks and three golf courses. For additional information regarding the City’s park system, visit [sandiego.gov/parks-and-recreation](https://sandiego.gov/parks-and-recreation).

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