

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL  
READINESS SESSION**

**MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012, 5:00 P.M.  
CITY AUDITORIUM  
250 N. 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

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- 1. Parks and Recreation Department:** The department overview will provide information on current staffing levels throughout the department, and review the overall operations for Golf, Recreation and Parks divisions. Capital updates will include the current 2012 budget as well as proposed 2013 and 2014 projects. Discussion will also be initiated regarding the priorities for future park development in Grand Junction. [Attach R-1](#)
- 2. Three Sisters Update**



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Proposed Meeting Date:  
June 4, 2012

**Attach R-1  
Parks and Recreation  
CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT  
READINESS SESSION**

**Topic:** Parks and Recreation Department Overview, Review of Current and Future Capital Projects, and Review Undeveloped Parks

**Staff (Name & Title):** Rob Schoeber, Parks and Recreation Director  
Traci Wieland, Recreation Superintendent  
Mike Vendegna, Parks Superintendent

**Summary:**

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**Background, Analysis and Options:**

Department Overview – There are currently 68 full time employees in three divisions including golf, recreation and parks. The department provides maintenance and programming for two municipal golf courses, two community pools, 750 acres of park space, 2 municipal cemeteries and nearly 26 miles of trails. Forestry, horticulture and weed abatement staff also support these facilities.

Capital – The parks division is in the first phase of a two year infrastructure improvement project as defined in the Parks Inventory and Needs Assessment. Phase two will be completed in 2013, and will address all ‘poor’ and ‘very poor’ park needs.

There are currently 9 undeveloped park areas in the community, and discussion will be held regarding the development priorities over the next 3-5 years.

**Financial Impact/Budget:**

Budget requests will be forthcoming in the 2013 budget process.

**Previously presented or discussed:**

The Parks Inventory and Needs Assessment was presented during the City Council retreat in June, 2011.