

## TITUS SPARROW PARK CONSTRUCTION UPDATE MARCH 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 entire park closed for the duration of construction is difficult for many. We appreciate your patience during our renovation, and look forward to the reopening in late 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 COMPLETED AS OF MARCH 2024:**

#### Protection and Demolition

- Existing trees received tree protection fencing
- Protection to storm drain inlets and waterways installed
- Demolition and removal of paving, sand, safety surface and playground equipment completed
- Demolition of basketball court paving, backstops, and lights completed
- Selective demolition of stairs at basketball court
- During the process of demolishing the play area, the contractors discovered an enormous vault which houses the infrastructure for an ornamental fountain that was a feature of Titus Sparrow Park 26 years ago!

### Site Improvements

- New yard drains installed in lawn
- Stormtech infiltration system and basketball area drains installed within basketball court
- Granite curbing installed at playground area
- Basketball posts installed at basketball court

#### **CONSTRUCTION LOOK AHEAD:**

What to expect in the next few weeks:

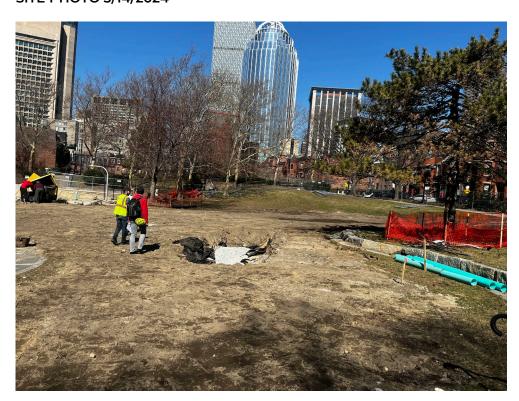
- BWSC to inspect and approve site drainage. Some site work will need to wait until this approval comes through.
- Electrical testing of the sport court lights is underway to determine whether some of the existing conduit can remain in place, rather than needing replacement.
- The electrical crews may have to remove 1 or 2 shrubs in order to access electrical hand holes that have been buried over time as they continue to run new electrical lines.
- Fine grading at the courts and at other hardscaped surfaces.
- Play equipment has been ordered and is being shipped across the globe.

## SITE PHOTO 3/14/2024



The grade of the basketball courts has been raised. The stormtech system, which will help mitigate the impacts of stormwater runoff, has been installed.

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New drains have been installed in the existing lawn to help with historic drainage problems.

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A large historic plumbing and electrical vault was discovered during demolition. The vault used to serve a fountain featured in the park 26 years ago.

## SITE PHOTO 3/21/2024



Our electrical team is installing new wiring and testing the existing system to make sure it meets code.

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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: <a href="https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-titus-sparrow-park">https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-titus-sparrow-park</a>