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Dear Klyde Warren Park Neighbor,

There are a lot of exciting things going on in the Park, and we wanted to share the plans for three upcoming projects that will be getting underway this year. These enhancements are being funded through private donations, and we are incredibly grateful for all of the donors and sponsors who keep our Park safe, clean, beautiful, and active!

Dog Park

We're kicking things off by relocating My Best Friend's Park to a larger and shadier space at the southwest corner of Pearl Street and Woodall Rodgers Freeway, next to Museum Tower. We held several community design sessions and feel confident that your feedback will result in a new space that makes tails wag and beautifies that corner.

We are planning to begin this project in early July and expect it to take four months. This is primarily a landscape project; however, there will be days when construction noise may be noticeable, and we apologize for that in advance. The current dog park will remain open until it becomes necessary to remove the fencing, which is being repurposed in the new space. During this time, please remember that dogs are always welcome throughout the Park.

If you are interested in permanently honoring your dog(s) in the new space, please visit the sponsorship page on our website!

Water Fountain

Early this fall, we will begin construction on our iconic new fountain, which will be added to the Pearl Street side of the Park. Water will shoot approximately 30 feet in the air on days when the weather permits and fall gently into a shallow pool where children will be able to play. The water can go much higher, but that will be reserved for special occasions like the 4th of July. We are investing in high-tech wind sensors and speakers to ensure water and music stay in the fountain area.

In addition to the fountain, we will be increasing the size of the lawn closest to Olive Street, enhancing the plaza areas, and adding restrooms and a guest services kiosk. This project is expected to take eight to nine months and during this time, the Park's East Lawn (between Pearl and Olive) will be closed.

Children's Park

And finally, the Children's Park, one of the most beloved spaces in the Park, is going to be expanded and enhanced to give our youngest visitors even more room to play. We'll be adding a new climbing wall, play equipment, and family picnic pavilion. We have just begun planning for this addition, but we hope to start work this winter so that it's ready for all kinds of fun in summer 2022.

In addition to these enhancements, **Mi Cocina on the Park** will be moving into the space formerly occupied by Savor and should be serving their famous margaritas this fall. And our project to **expand the Park 1.7 acres** to the west (towards the Perot Museum of Nature and Science) is on track to begin in the first quarter of 2022.

We will continue to communicate with you as these projects develop, and we thank you in advance for your support as we work to continually improve Klyde Warren Park. If you have questions, please send an email to info@klydewarrenpark.org and we will respond as soon as possible.

Our best,

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