



MEDIA RELEASE

To: MEDIA & CITY DEPARTMENTS

From: Jeremy M. Jones, Director of Public Works

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Re: CITY PLAYGROUNDS

In response to information on National Recreation & Parks Association Certified Playground Safety Inspector message boards, the City's Park Department staff has begun sanitizing and disinfecting all playground equipment in the park system twice each day. Diluted bleach or other products effective against the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19 disease will be used. This may require temporary closure, up to one hour, of the playground being cleaned in order for the cleaner to provide the intended benefit.

Please continue the CDC recommended practices of social distancing and frequent hand washing during and after use of the playground equipment to provide the best protection possible. Antibacterial soap is provided in the public restrooms within the parks.

For additional information, please contact the Wellington Park Department at (620) 326-5041 or the Wellington Street Department at (620) 326-7831.