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FORMER YMCA DEMOLITION UPDATE



Here is an update on the status of the demolition of the former YMCA building in Riverfront Park:

- The Y building will be “completely down” by the end of April. The contract calls for the demo to take no longer than 75 days and the contractor is right on schedule.
- Restoration of the site will be accomplished over the summer per a plan that will include grass, trees, plants and other natural items.
- Onlookers will continue to have access to view the site, although there will be construction fencing surrounding the site until the area has been completely restored this summer.

About the Property

The former YMCA building, which was built in 1965, is located on a nearly 40,000-square-foot site with 227 feet of frontage along the south bank of the Spokane River. The building was purchased by the City of Spokane Parks and Recreation Department to preserve the site as park land for the enjoyment and benefit of those who use Riverfront Park. The building is currently being demolished and a restoration site plan is being developed.

About Spokane Parks and Recreation

City of Spokane Parks and Recreation is responsible for the professional management and prudent caretaking of more than 4,100 acres of developed

parks and conservation land. The Golf Division maintains and operates four championship municipal golf courses, including Indian Canyon, Downriver, Esmeralda and the Creek at Qualchan. Park Operations has responsibility for the maintenance of all park land and park facilities in the City of Spokane including Riverfront Park, Manito Park, Gaiser Conservatory, the many city-wide gardens, and Finch Arboretum. Urban Forestry staff manages 50,000 street trees and another 28,000 trees on developed park land within the City of Spokane. The Recreation/Entertainment Division offers classes, special events, athletic leagues and activities for youth, teens, adults, seniors and persons with physical and mental disabilities. It also operates Riverfront Park attractions, activities and events, and provides support for community centers, senior centers, the Northeast Youth Center, Corbin Art Center and outdoor swimming pools. For more information please visit www.spokaneparks.org

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