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**RE: Rosetta Park Update**

Dear Park Neighbor:

Thanks again to all of you who took the time to attend the design workshops back in late 2006. Your participation was enormously helpful. It's been a while since the process wrapped up, and I know many of you are eagerly awaiting your new park, so I wanted to offer you a brief update on the project.

The city put the construction project out to bid in early June, and bids were received about a month ago. The contractor will be Scott Brown Construction, and the work is scheduled to begin in mid-August. If you are interested in seeing the construction plans, you can find them on the city Public Works Engineering website under 'Construction Bids.'

The project will cover most of the desired features in the concept plan including the children's playground with swings and a play/climbing structure, a merry-go-round, and seesaw, as well as some 'natural play' features (boulders and possibly a log). Additionally there will be picnic tables, a hard-surface loop path, benches, a trash receptacle, a drinking fountain, lots of new trees, some shrubs and landscape beds. The multi-purpose BBall court and the sand/water play area were removed due to price increases and budget limitations, however I have been contacted by some neighbors interested in fundraising to add these features back into the park at a later date. If you are interested in contributing resources or time to this effort, please contact Jan Spencer of the River Road Community Organization (686-6761 or email at [spencerj@efn.org](mailto:spencerj@efn.org))

The contract completion date is October 15<sup>th</sup>, but it is not unusual for these projects to have minor unforeseen delays (equipment delivery, inclement weather, etc) that could postpone the completion date by a month or two.

We also are pleased to announce that a local neighborhood artist, Mari Livie, will be constructing and installing a mosaic art bench, with the participation of local neighbors and children. To find out more about this project please feel free to contact me or email Mari at [thelivies@gmail.com](mailto:thelivies@gmail.com). Another resource for any potential volunteer effort in the park is our Volunteers in Parks coordinator Lorna Baldwin (682-4845 or [lorna.j.baldwin@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:lorna.j.baldwin@ci.eugene.or.us).)

Although the park will be open later this year once the construction work is complete, we'll schedule a grand opening party for next year when the weather is more conducive to an outdoor celebration. In the meantime, if you have any questions or comments about the project, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 682-4906.

Sincerely,

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