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PRESS RELEASE

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City of Miami Celebrates Grand Opening of Grapeland Park Baseball Field

(Miami, Florida)—City of Miami Mayor Manny Diaz joined by city commissioners, city manager, city administrators and members of the community will celebrate the **ribbon cutting/grand opening of Grapeland Park Baseball Facility, Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.** The ceremony will be held at 1550 NW 37 Avenue.

The 13-acre active park will be transformed in three phases. The baseball park facility marks the completion of phase I. The baseball complex encompasses four (4) fields with two-story restroom/concession stand building, lighting for nighttime use of the new batting cages – and pathways that surrounds the entire complex. Phase II consists of the water theme park and phase III of the 5,600 sq. ft. community center.

The construction cost for phase I is \$5,979,063 with funding provided by Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond and Homeland Defense Neighborhood Improvement Bond. Phase II estimated construction cost is \$18,304,082 with funding provided by Impact Fees and Miami Dade County Building Better Communities GOB and phase III estimated construction cost is \$1,500,000 with funding provided by Homeland Defense Neighborhood Improvement Bond. Phase II and III are estimated to be completed by Spring 2008.

For additional information, please contact 305-416-1286 or 305-416-1341.

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La Ciudad de Miami Celebra Gran Apertura del Parque de Beisból Grapeland

-Oficiales Anuncian Próximas Fases: Parque Acuático y Centro Comunitario-

(Miami, FL) –El alcalde de la Ciudad de Miami Díaz, el comisionado de distrito 1 Angel González, el administrador de la ciudad Pete Hernández y miembros de la comunidad celebrarán la **gran apertura del Parque de Beisból Grapeland, el jueves 16 de agosto del 2007 a las 10:00 a.m.** Además se anunciará las siguientes fases del proyecto de 13 acres. La ceremonia se llevará a cabo en el nuevo edificio, 1550 NW 37 Avenida.

El parque de beisból culmina la primera fase del proyecto. El edificio de beisból, abarca cuatro (4) campos de beisból con un edificio de dos pisos con baños y concesionarios, iluminación para las jaulas de bateo para practicar y los pasillos alrededor de edificio. La fase II de la transformación consiste de un parque acuático y la fase III la construcción del centro Comunitario de 5.600 pies cuadrados.

El costo de la construcción para la primera fase es de \$5,979,063 con fondos que provienen de los bonos de Safe Neighborhood Parks Bondy Homeland Defense Neighborhood Improvement Bond. La segunda fase está estimada en un costo alrededor de \$18,304,082 con fondos que provienen de Impact Fees and Miami Dade County Building Better Communities GOB y la tercera fase en un costo alrededor de \$1,500,000 con fondos que provienen de Homeland Defense Neighborhood Improvement Bond. Se estima que se complete la segunda y tercera fase en la primavera de 2008.

Para más información sobre el proyecto de Grapeland Park Heights, por favor llame al 305-416-1286 ó 305-416-1341.

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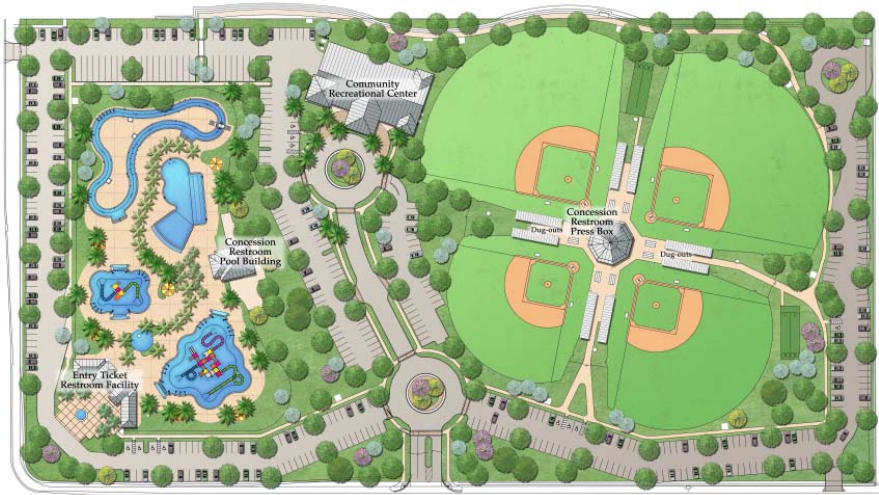


¡Donde La Comunidad Está Primero!





Conceptual Aerial Rendering



Conceptual Master Site Plan Rendering



Conceptual Rendering of Water Park Entry Building

This 13-acre active park located just south of the Miami Airport will be transformed in three phases.

Phase 1: is a baseball complex encompassing four (4) fields with a two story restroom/concession building, lighting for nighttime use of the new batting cages – and parking pathways that surrounds the entire complex. Phase 1 was completed August 2007.

Phase 2: is a water theme park containing four different pools: First, there's a large activity pool featuring artwork by Romero Britto and water playground equipment ideal for kids 5 and older. Pool number two is a smaller water playground designed especially for kids 5 and under. Next, a 600-foot wacky waterway meanders around the site dumping, spraying and splashing riders as they drift by. And finally, for the adults, there's a resort style pool setting complete with beach entry to a depth of 5' deep where they can sit, relax and float in cool, refreshing water. Phase 2 will be completed early Spring 2008.

Phase 3: is a 5,600 sq. ft. Community Center. This facility will provide administrative offices and space for community activities. Phase 3 will be completed late Spring 2008.

The Citizens of Grapeland Heights and all of Miami will be able to enjoy a safe, clean, wholesome recreational, educational and cultural facility.

Key Features

- Baseball Complex with a two-story restroom/ concession building
- Interactive Water Theme Park with four different pools
- Community Center

Project Team

- City of Miami, Owner
- Recreational Design & Construction, Inc., Design/Builder
- Corzo Castella Carballo Thompson Salman, PA Architect and Civil Engineer

Estimated Completion date for the entire project: Spring 2008