



TITUS SPARROW PARK CONSTRUCTION UPDATE APRIL 2024

Thank you for your patience and continued interest in this project. Titus Sparrow Park is an important green space for the South End community, and we understand that having the entire park closed for the duration of construction is difficult for many. We appreciate your patience during our renovation, and look forward to the reopening in late 2024. Please note that Titus Sparrow Park summer and fall programming will not take place in the park, but will be up and running again in 2025.

DESIGNER: Halvorson | Tighe & Bond
CONTRACTOR: ANJ Construction

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED AS OF APRIL 2024:

Recently there have been many inquiries about the slowing of construction at Titus Sparrow Park as of mid-March through mid-April; below is some information about what has been going on behind the scenes.

While performing demolition site work and installing new drainage, contractor discovered an unforeseen condition and the size of one of the components of the drainage infrastructure needed to change. The change in the drainage infrastructure required the contractor and design team to resubmit the modification for approval by the Boston Water and Sewer Commission (BWSC). The contractor and design team have been awaiting the signed permit drawings from BWSC, without which, additional drainage work cannot proceed. Last week, BWSC signed off on the drawings and the contractor has secured them in hand, allowing the drainage work to resume.

In the meantime, while it may seem that all progress had stopped, ANJ has been proactively addressing other work that may not be visible to passersby, such as ordering and testing soil, working through submittals, and sequencing the work in relation to other projects to keep Titus Sparrow construction on track as best they can. The contractor has confirmed that the BWSC revisions have not delayed the project schedule more than a week (added on to the end of the anticipated construction schedule slated to be wrapped up late fall of 2024) at most at this time.

Please keep in mind that this kind of revision and project schedule adjustment is typical for most of our park projects; it is unusual when something like this *does not* occur. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

Site Improvements

- New electrical wiring has been installed to the basketball court lights
- New electrical wiring has been installed to the tennis courts and existing wiring has been tested for durability
- Lawn regraded
- Concrete walkway along passive lawn area installed
- Concrete ADA Companion pads installed

CONSTRUCTION LOOK AHEAD:

What to expect in the next few weeks:

- Concrete pad below electrical cabinet installed
- Contractor to apply for GSA and BWSC inspection
- Contractor to paint / repair existing light poles
- Repointing of walls at tennis court
- Play equipment arriving soon

SITE PHOTOS:



A new concrete walkway along the passive use lawn has been installed.

SITE PHOTO 4/16/24



ADA Companion seating along the central walkway has been installed.
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OTHER ITEMS:

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Construction questions and concerns can be directed to
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Project Website: <https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-titus-sparrow-park>