

Chapman Field Park Improvements

Miami Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department is pleased to share an update on park improvements at Chapman Field park that include ballfields, dog park, roadway and drainage improvements, walkways, tree plantings, lighting, restroom, water fountains and ADA parking.

All park improvements at Chapman have gone through an extensive environmental permitting review process that includes review from the Army Corp of Engineers, South Florida Water Management District, DERM and Coral Gables Building Department to ensure compliance with environmental regulations that protect the natural resources of the Park.

Quick Facts

Chapman Field Park improvement investment: **\$ 10,959,601**

Funding sources: General Obligation Bonds, Community Infrastructure Improvement Plan, Florida Inland Navigation Grants and the Chapman Field Trust.

Project Updates

Chapman Youth Ball Field#1

Youth Baseball Field with clay diamond (mirrors Sunland Park youth field), 50-foot bases, natural grass, irrigation, lighting, fencing, dugouts, covered bleachers, shelter, drinking fountain, walkways and ADA parking.

- Design – Completed
- Procurement for Contractor – Completed
- Permitting – Estimated Completion: Aug 2024
 - Pending SFWMD Environmental Resource Permit
- **Construction- Estimated Start: Aug 2024 / Estimated completion: Jan 2025**

Chapman Ball Field #2 (Completed and In Use)

Baseball Field with installation of remediation of clay diamond and new soil, natural grass, irrigation, lighting, fencing, dugouts, covered bleachers, walkways, ADA parking, restroom, and drinking fountain.

- Design – Completed
- Procurement for Contractor – Completed
- Permitting – Completed
- **Construction – Completed 2022**

Chapman Ball Field and Multipurpose Field #3

Baseball Field with installation of remediation of clay diamond and new soil, natural grass, irrigation, lighting, dugouts, bleachers, backstop and wing fencing, walkways, shade trees and ADA parking.

- Design – Completed
- Procurement for Contractor – Completed
- Permitting – Estimated Completion: August 2024
- **Construction- Estimated Start: Aug 2024 / Estimated Completion: Jan 2025**

Roadway Project and Parking Lot Improvements (Completed and In Use)

Reconstruction of the existing hard-packed roadway, replacing it with asphalt pavement from the entrance to the Canoe Launch parking lot expansion - extending from the bridge to the dog park. Stormwater drainage system was installed to enhance water management.

- Design – Completed
- Procurement for Contractor – Completed
- Permitting - Completed
- Construction – 2021

Dog Park Improvements & Tree Planting

- Dog Park – Completed: June 2016
- Tree Plantings: 2021

Environmental Highlights

- Removal of invasive Australian pine trees - trees were cut into five-foot sections and recycled/repurposed into playground elements for nature-based playgrounds throughout the park system.
 - New fields are engineered to withstand sea-level rise with advanced elevation and drainage systems.
 - New sod installation for soil stabilization and beautification.
 - Installation of storm water drainage system and proper management of watershed in some of the most sensitive wetland and mangrove areas.
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