

# SHAWNEE PARK

## SPORTS COMPLEX

Shawnee Park Sports Complex is a regional outdoor adult and youth sports complex that offers 8 softball/baseball fields, 14 soccer fields, and two regulation football fields. The sports complex is the largest outdoor sports venue between St. Louis, Western Kentucky, Western Tennessee, and Northern Mississippi. The facility is utilized for competitive and recreational tournaments, leagues, and travel club games for adult softball, boys baseball, girls fast-pitch, youth and adult soccer, youth tackle football, and youth flag football. The venue offers lighted fields, concession/restroom facilities, and convenient parking. The Shawnee Parks Sports Complex has played host for numerous state, regional, and national tournaments, as well as serving locally as a youth and adult sports hub for leagues and tournaments.

### CURRENT ISSUES

#### Fencing

20 year old ball field fencing needs to be replaced.

#### Lighting

The technology of our current 20 year old softball field lights is becoming obsolete and inefficient.

#### Spectator Shade

Lack of shade for spectators.

#### PA System

Does not have a PA system for general or weather safety related announcements.

#### Equipment Storage

Lack of covered storage area for equipment or storage area for bulk field materials.

#### Signage

Current Marquee sign is in need of replacement and the facility needs improved way finding signs.

#### Restrooms

There is currently no permanent restroom facilities by soccer/football fields 13 & 14.

### PROJECT SCOPE

- Replace chain link fence fabric and gate hinges on softball fields 1 thru 5.
- Replace ball field light fixtures on softball fields 1 thru 5 with LED energy efficient lighting.
- Install framed bleacher canopies on softball fields 1 thru 8.
- Install a P.A. system that will give coverage of all softball/baseball fields and majority of soccer fields.
- Construct a covered 40' x 60' addition to the front of the current maintenance building. Construct storage bins to store field materials.
- Improve entryway landscaping, replace current marquee sign and install new facility signage. Entryway landscaping would include Minnesota, West End, and Rust Ave. entrances.
- Construct four small shelters between softball fields 1 thru 5 for concession overflow.



**PROPOSED SPECTATOR SHADE**

### PROJECT OUTCOMES

- ★ Renovating and replacing aging fence and lighting will provide for the safe, secure, and enjoyable use by all park patrons.
- ★ Improving shade coverage will provide a safe and more pleasurable viewing area for spectators.
- ★ P.A. system will allow for general facility and safety announcements and on field presentations.
- ★ Improved signage to guide patrons into the facility.
- ★ Concession/restroom facility will provide better food service options and better restrooms for facility patrons.



**LACK OF EQUIPMENT STORAGE**

### ESTIMATED OPERATIONAL BUDGET IMPACT

- Anticipate improved maintenance efficiencies and negligible operational increases.

**CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATE:**  
**\$1,500,000**



**DETERIORATING FENCING**



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