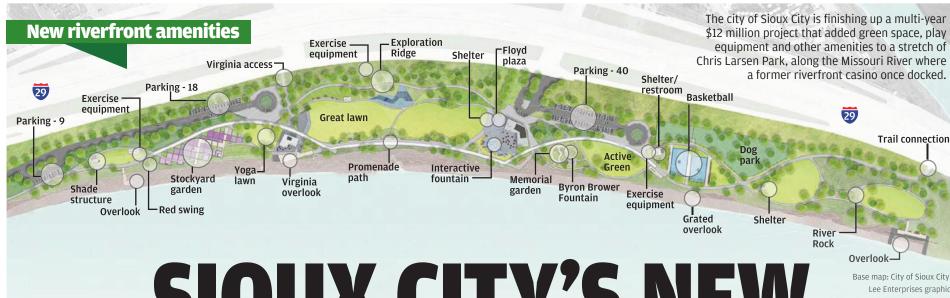


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SIOUX CITY'S NE RIVERFRONT JEWEL

City's \$12M project adds plethora of amenities in Chris Larsen Park

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SIOUX CITY - Young children scampered in and out of clear streams of water jetting from the ground at Floyd Pavilion in the newly redeveloped Chris Larsen Park, on a recent Tuesday afternoon.

Other parkgoers strolled along the Promenade under the beating summer sun, taking in unobstructed views of the

Missouri River and surrounding foliage, as a landscaping crew unfurled rolls of green sod on the Great Lawn, an event space.

After roughly three years and \$12 million in construction costs, the finishing touches are being placed on Chris Larsen Park, which Parks and Recreation Manager Angel Wallace described as a "premier location" in the city. When she drives by in the evening, Wallace said she always see

people sitting under the shelters or playing on the basketball court.

"It brings me much joy and satisfaction to know that the things the steering committee, who worked on this project, and our design team discussed, now, we can see in reality. In my opinion, it is everything that we planned it to be," Wallace

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Founded in 1864



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Angel Wallace, Sioux City Parks and Recreation Manager, is shown at one of the two river overlooks at the redeveloped Chris Larsen Park along the Missouri River. The park is rapidly nearing completion.

Fireworks complaints fizzle in Sioux City

Police issue nine citations

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SIOUX CITY - The Sioux City Police Department saw a 12% decrease in fireworks complaints over the Fourth of July holiday and in the month leading up to it, according to crime analysis data obtained by The Journal.

The department logged 258 fireworks calls for service related to fireworks from



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June 1 to July 4, down from 295 calls received during that time period in 2022 and 328 in 2021. Nine citations for fireworks violations were written this year over that time frame.

my neighborhood," Mayor

"This was the worst year I've ever seen, not in

Bob Scott, who lives in Leeds, said during Monday's City Council meeting. Scott's

comment came after west side resident Jeanne Pullis told council members, "Something has got to be done about these

fireworks." While standing at a podium in the Council Chambers at City Hall, Pullis held up the end of a rocket, which she said landed 2 feet from her back door.

"Do you know what damage this could've done to a window, or to a car, or to a human being?" she asked. "There was so much smoke in that block, I couldn't

see the neighbor's house across the street."

Pullis said she was so fed up with the situation, that she left town on Wednesday, July 5 and returned on Sunday. However, she said fireworks were still being shot off in her neighborhood at 9:30 p.m. on Sunday. She described calling the police department as a "lost cause," and remarked, They won't do anything."

"If you do call the police, make sure

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Does it really surprise anyone that the Secret Service has decided to close the investigation involving cocaine found inside the White House? Knowing the guilty party could be quite embarrassing. An easy solution would be to mandate drug testing like they mandated COVID testing, vaccinations, and boosters to the general public. That's how they would do it in the military service. - THOMAS PLENDL, KINGSLEY, IOWA

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